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# **GIANCOLI CHAPTER 5: CIRCULAR MOTION; GRAVITATION**

**LSN 5-1: KINEMATICS OF UNIFORM  
CIRCULAR MOTION**

**LSN 5-2: DYNAMICS OF UNIFORM  
CIRCULAR MOTION**

**LSN 5-3: HIGHWAY CURVES, BANKED AND  
UNBANKED**

# Big Idea(s):

- Objects and systems have properties such as mass and charge. Systems may have internal structure.
- The interactions of an object with other objects can be described by forces.
- Interactions between systems can result in changes in those systems.

# Enduring Understanding(s):

- 1.A: The internal structure of a system determines many properties of the system.
- 1.C: Objects and systems have properties of inertial mass and gravitational mass that are experimentally verified to be the same and that satisfy conservation principles.

# Enduring Understanding(s):

- 3.A: All forces share certain common characteristics when considered by observers in inertial reference frames.
- 3.B: Classically, the acceleration of an object interacting with other objects can be predicted by using  $\vec{a} = \frac{\Sigma \vec{F}}{m}$
- 4.A: The acceleration of the center of mass of a system is related to the net force exerted on the system, where  $\vec{a} = \frac{\Sigma \vec{F}}{m}$

# Essential Knowledge(s):

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  - A collection of particles in which internal interactions change little or not at all, or in which changes in these interactions are irrelevant to the question addressed, can be treated as an object.
- 1.C.1: Inertial mass is the property of an object or a system that determines how its motion changes when it interacts with other objects or systems.

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- 1.C.2: Gravitational mass is the property of an object or a system that determines the strength of the gravitational interaction with other objects, systems, or gravitational fields.
  - The gravitational mass of an object determines the amount of force exerted on the object by a gravitational field.

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- 3.B.1: If an object of interest interacts with several other objects, the net force is the vector sum of the individual forces.
- 4.A.1: The linear motion of a system can be described by the displacement, velocity, and acceleration of its center of mass.

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- The acceleration is equal to the rate of change of velocity with time, and velocity is equal to the rate of change of position with time.
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- (4.A.2.3): The student is able to create mathematical models and analyze graphical relationships for acceleration, velocity, and position of the center of mass of a system and use them to calculate properties of the motion of the center of mass of a system.



# Introductory Video



# So far we have learned:

- The SI unit for force is the Newton (N) and it is derived from the units  $\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}/\text{s}^2$
- To use vector addition to find the net force on an object and relate it to the resultant acceleration.
- To draw free-body/force diagrams of an object or collection of objects.
- Use free-body/force diagrams to analyze forces on an object.

# So far we have learned:

- **Applied Newton's Three Laws of Motion to solve problems involving forces and acceleration.**
  - 1. Inertia**
  - 2.  $\sum F = ma$**
  - 3. Action - Reaction**
- **Learned and applied the force of friction in motion problems.**

**NOW WE DO THE SAME THING  
FOR CIRCULAR MOTION INSTEAD  
OF STRAIGHT-LINE MOTION**

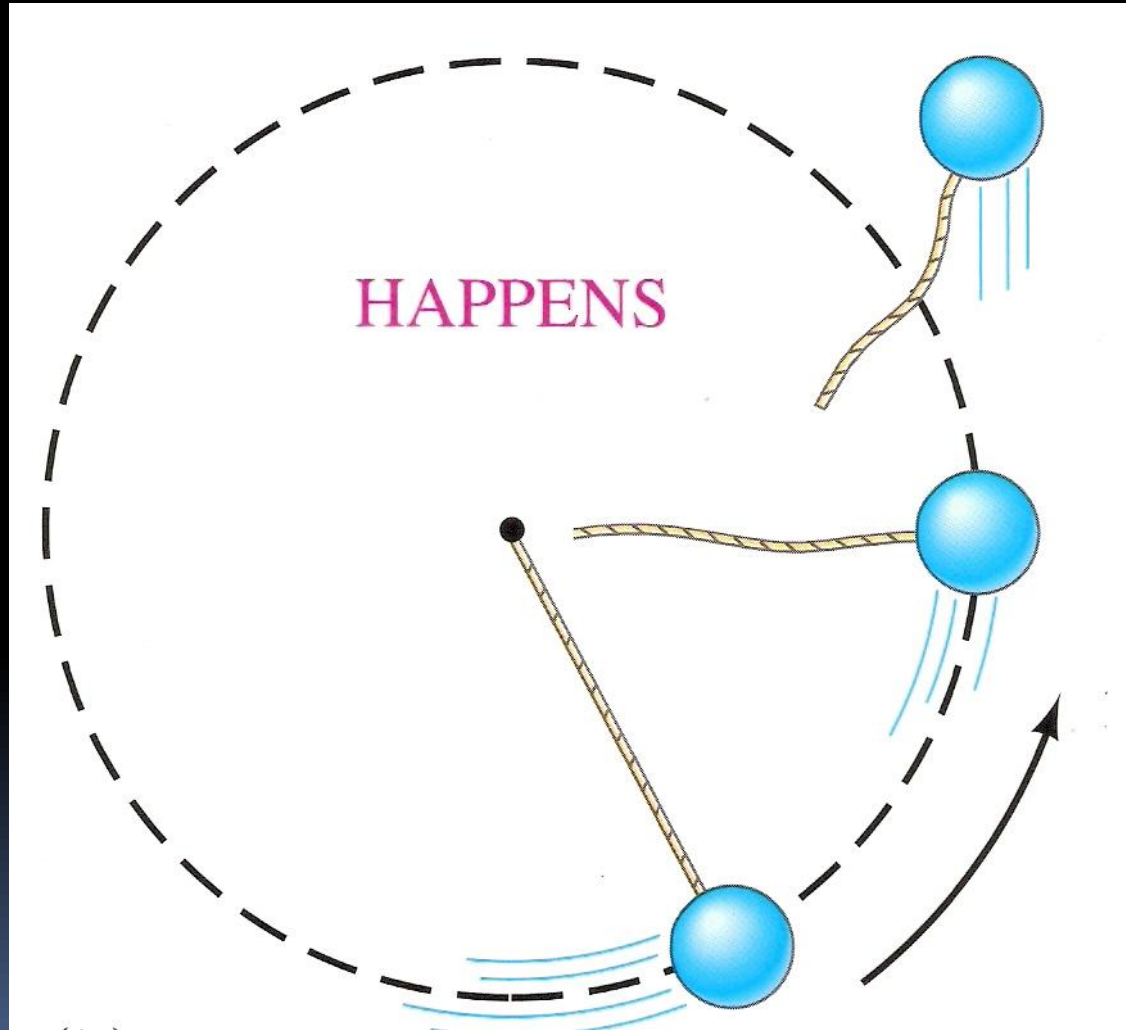
# Uniform Circular Motion

- Uniform circular motion – when a body moves in a circular path at constant *speed*
- Magnitude of velocity is constant (uniform)
- Direction of velocity is constantly changing
- Velocity is a vector so when the direction changes, acceleration occurs *even though the speed remains constant*

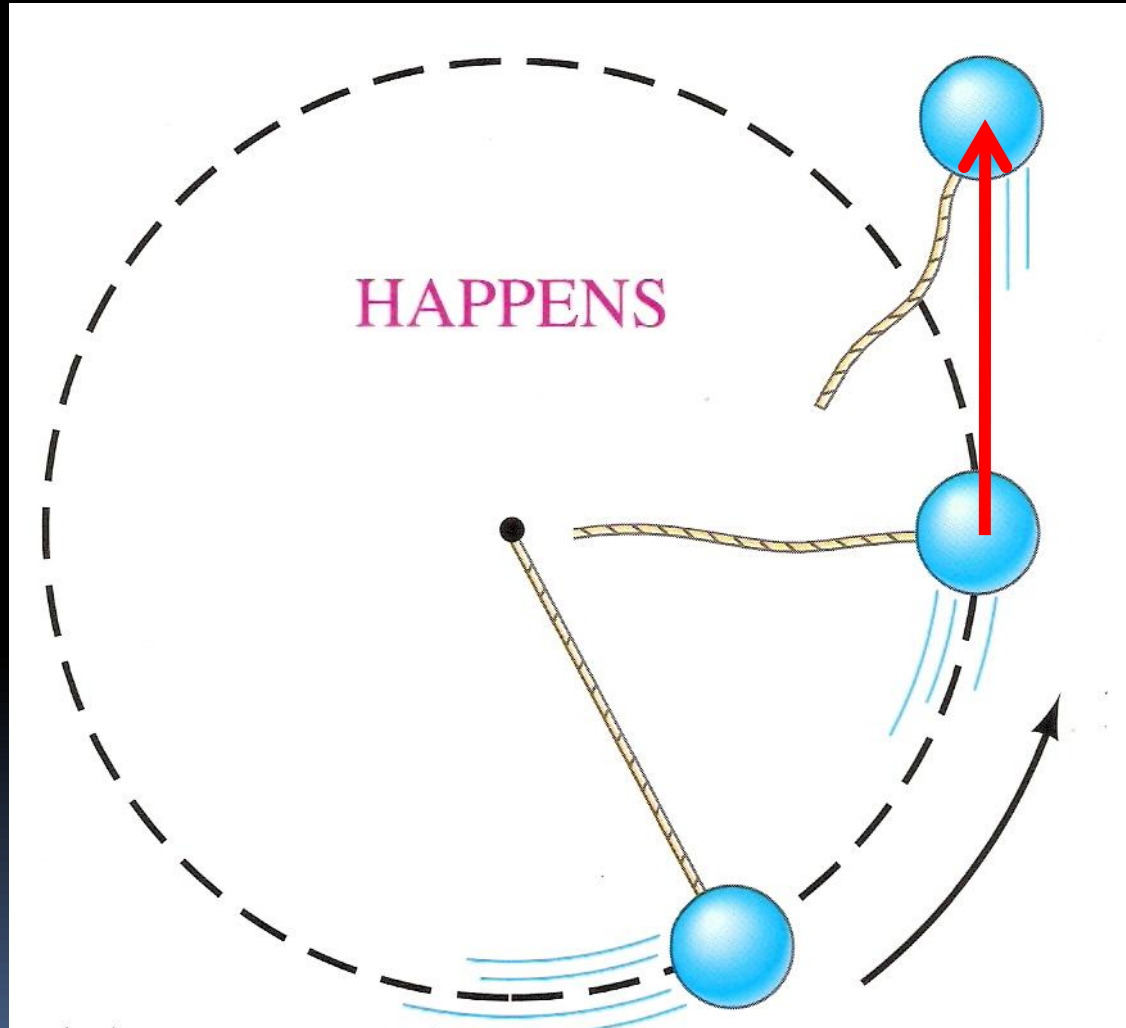
# Newton's First Law

- A body at rest tends to remain at rest.
- A body in motion tends to remain in motion at a constant velocity and in a straight line unless acted on by an outside force.
- *What does this mean to a ball on a string?*

# Newton's First Law

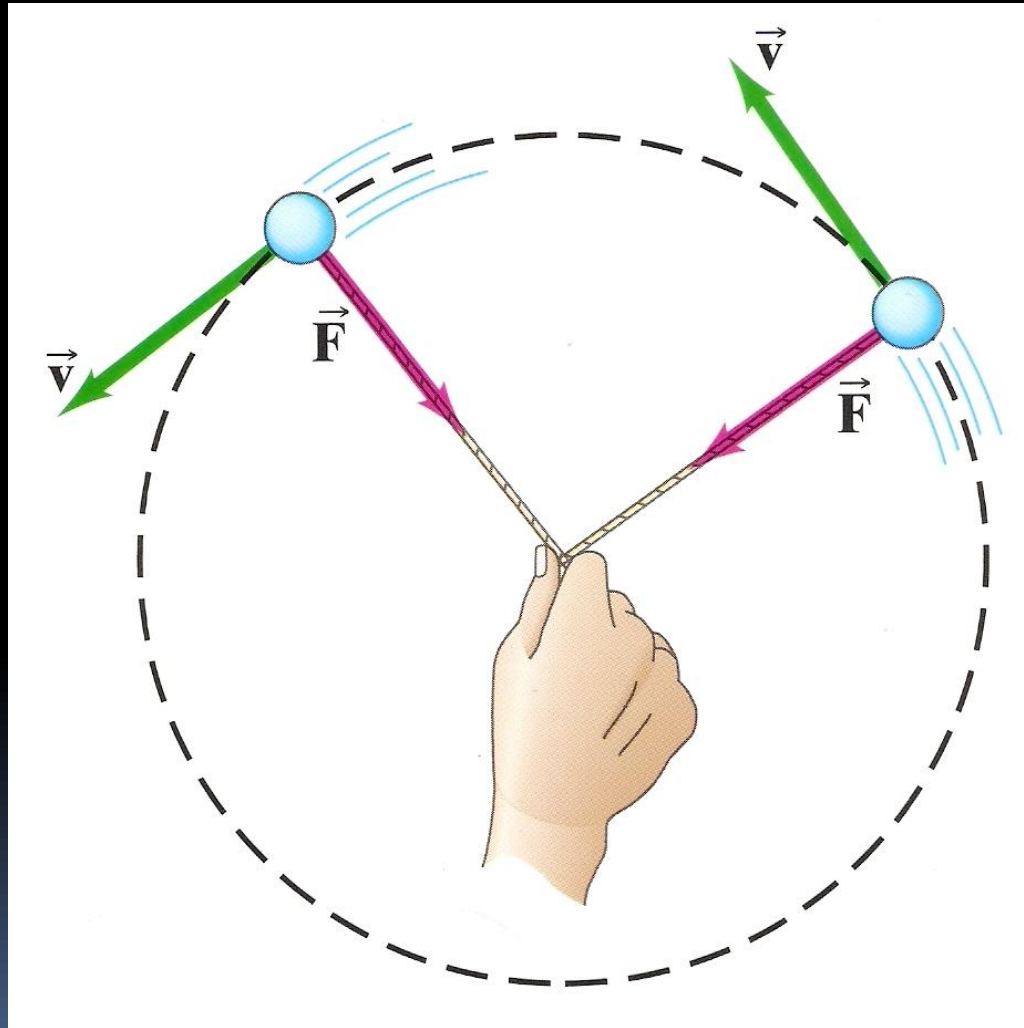


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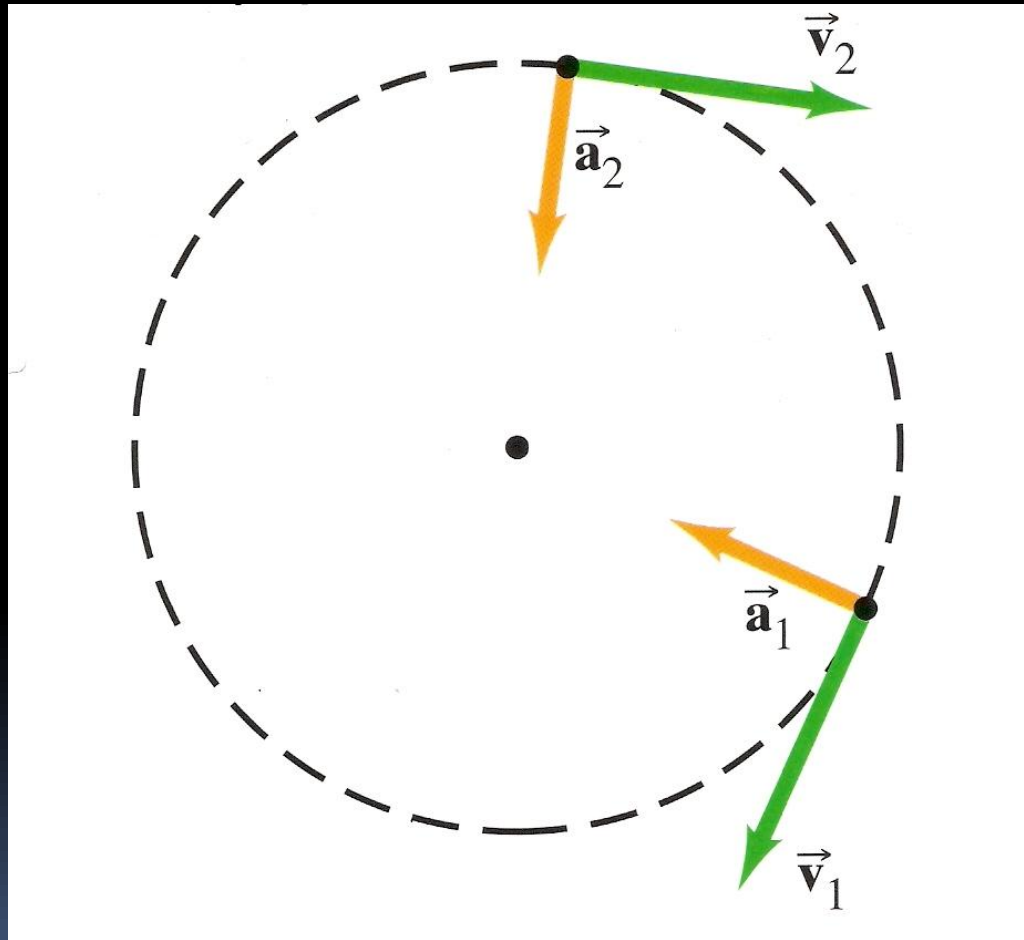


# Newton's Second Law

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$$

- A force is required to change the direction of the velocity
- If an unbalanced force is applied, there must be an acceleration

# Newton's Second Law



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$$\Sigma F = ma$$

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- Acceleration and Velocity are vectors
- Vectors have magnitude and direction

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- Since speed is constant, the magnitude of the velocity is constant, BUT . . .

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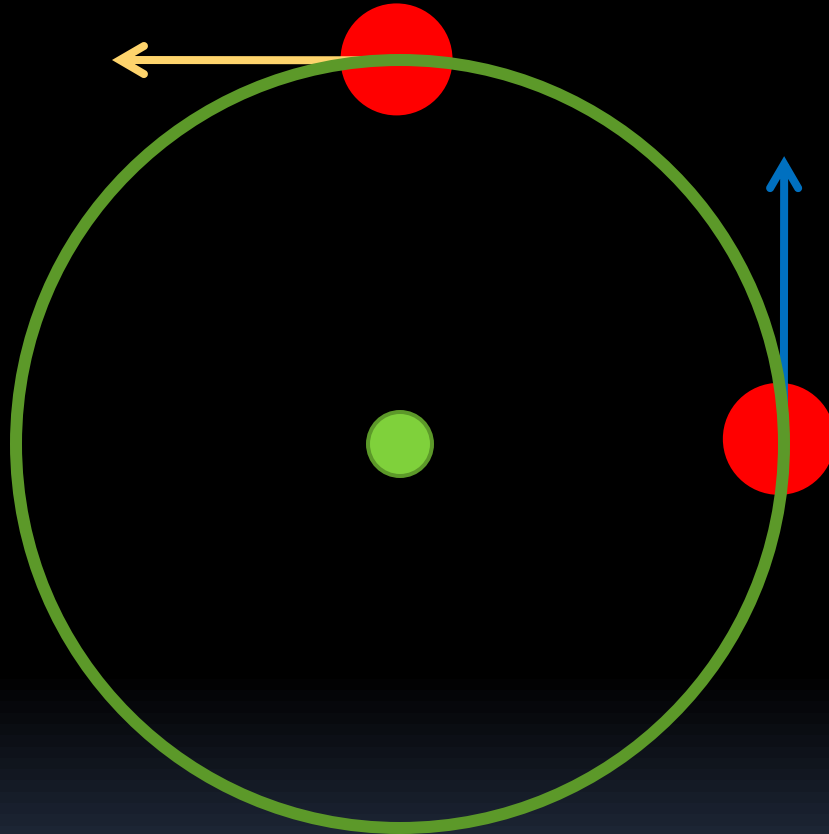
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$$\vec{a} = \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\vec{v}_f - \vec{v}_i}{\Delta t}$$

- . . . because the direction of the velocity is constantly changing, there is acceleration and that acceleration is directed toward the center of the circle

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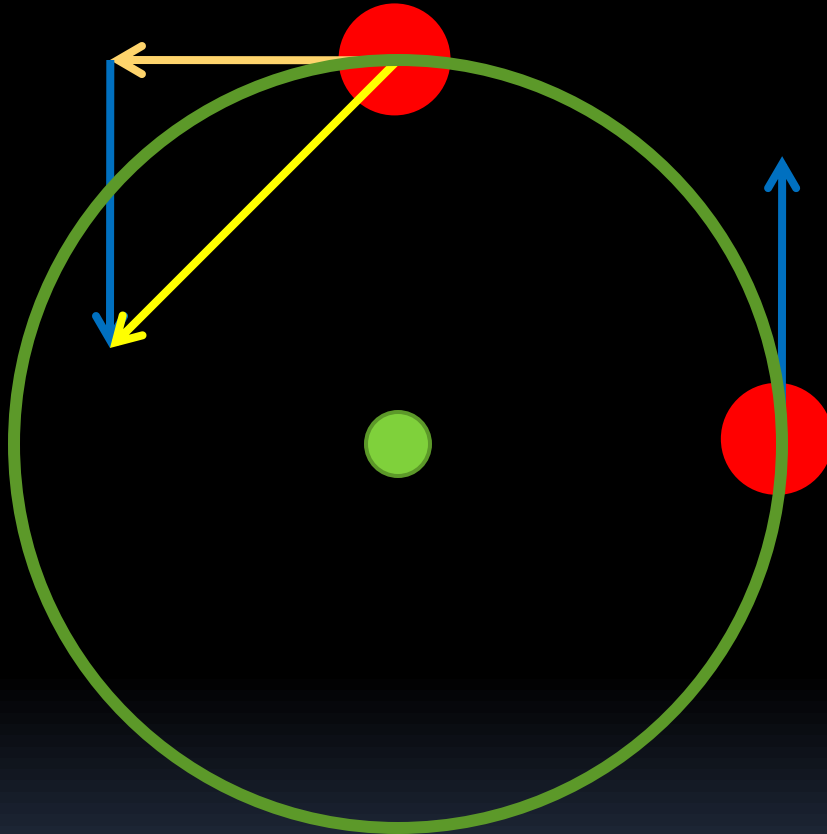
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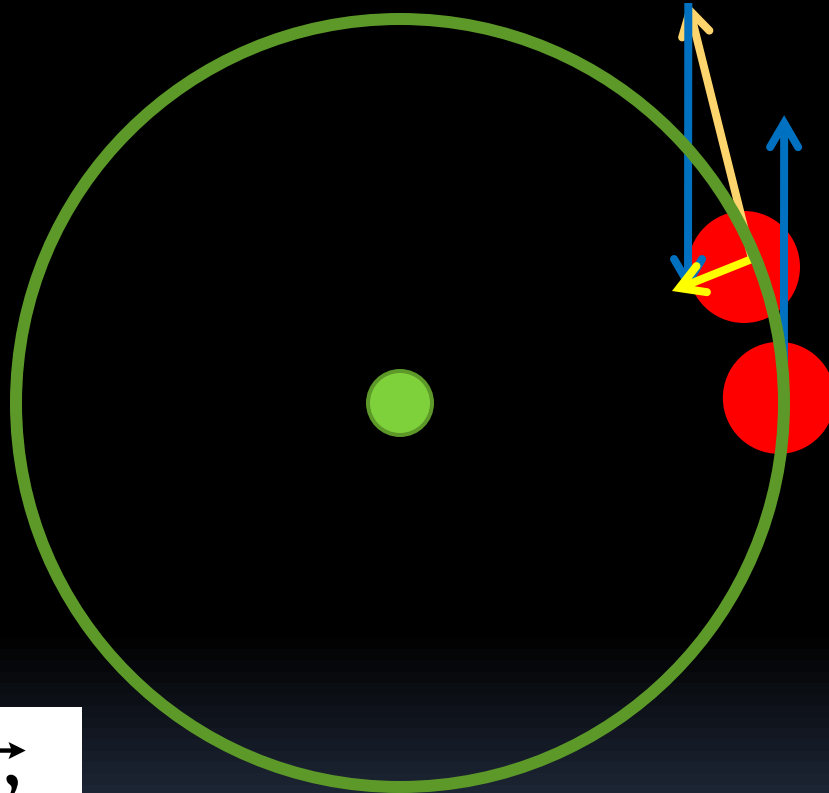


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$$\vec{a} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\vec{v}_f - \vec{v}_i}{\Delta t}$$

# Uniform Circular Motion

- The resulting acceleration is called ***centripetal acceleration ( $a_c$ )*** or ***radial acceleration ( $a_R$ )***

$$a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$$

# Uniform Circular Motion

- Period ( $T$ ) – time it takes for one revolution
- Velocity is distance divided by time ( $\Delta x/\Delta t$ )
- Distance around a circle is circumference which is equal to  $2\pi r$
- Therefore,

$$v = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} = \frac{2\pi r}{T}$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi r}{v}$$

# Uniform Circular Motion

- Period (T) – time per revolution
- Frequency (f) – number of revolutions per unit time
- Therefore,

$$T = \frac{\textit{time}}{\textit{rev}}$$

$$f = \frac{\textit{rev}}{\textit{time}}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f}$$

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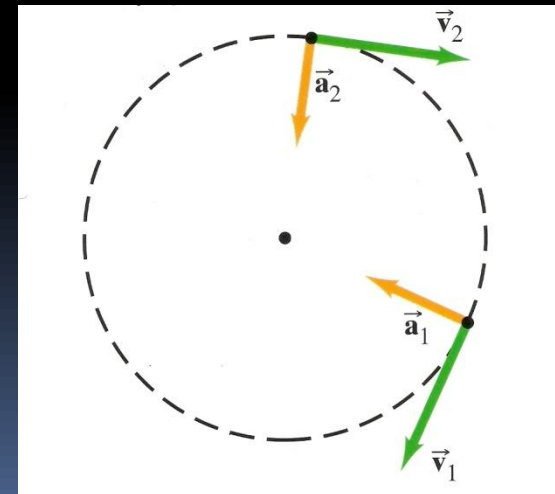
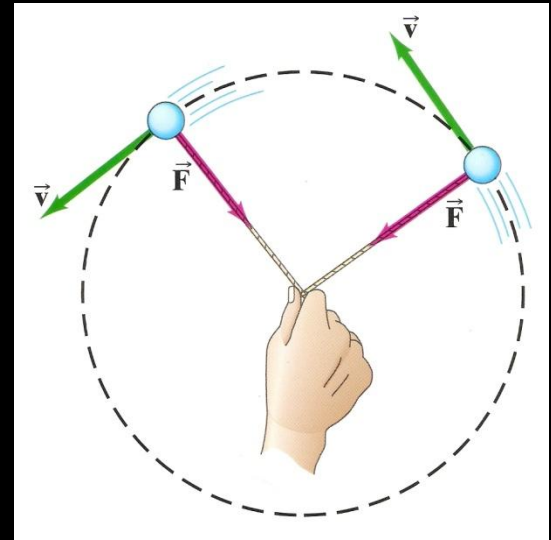
# Dynamics of Uniform Circular Motion

$$\Sigma F = ma$$

$$\Sigma F_c = ma_c$$

$$a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$$

$$\Sigma F_c = m \frac{v^2}{r}$$



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$$F_T = (0.2) \frac{(5)^2}{(0.5)}$$

$$F_T = 10N$$



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$$T = \frac{2\pi r}{v}$$

$$T = \frac{2(3.14)(0.5)}{(5)}$$

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$$f = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{(0.628)}$$

$$f = 1.59 \text{ rev} / \text{sec}$$

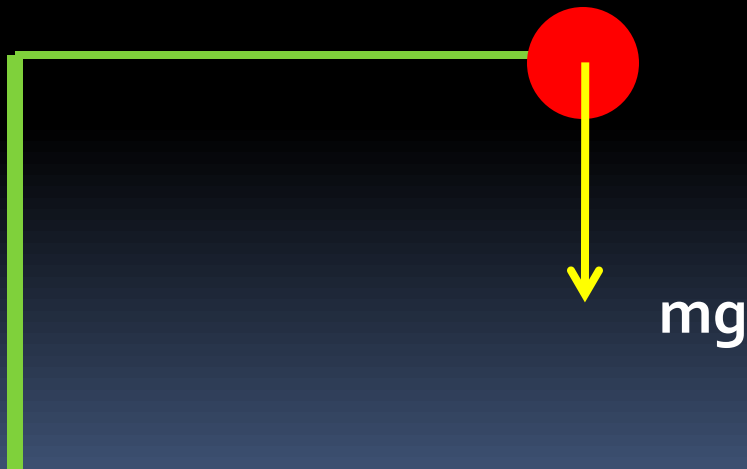
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- *How fast must a ball on a string spin in a circle so that the string is perfectly horizontal?*



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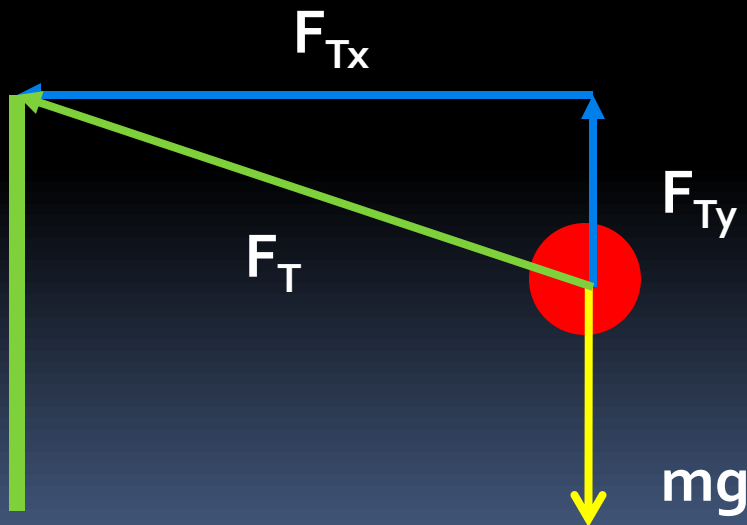
- *Can a ball on a string spin in a circle so that the string is perfectly horizontal?*
- *Can't happen. What is going to support the weight of the ball?*



$$\Sigma F = ma$$

# Dynamics of Uniform Circular Motion

- *Can a ball on a string spin in a circle so that the string is perfectly horizontal?*
- *No. What is going to support the weight of the ball?*



$$\Sigma F = ma$$

$$F_{T_y} - mg = 0$$

$$F_{T_y} = mg$$

# Dynamics of Uniform Circular Motion

- We just looked at how gravity impacts horizontal circular motion.
- *How does gravity impact vertical circular motion?*

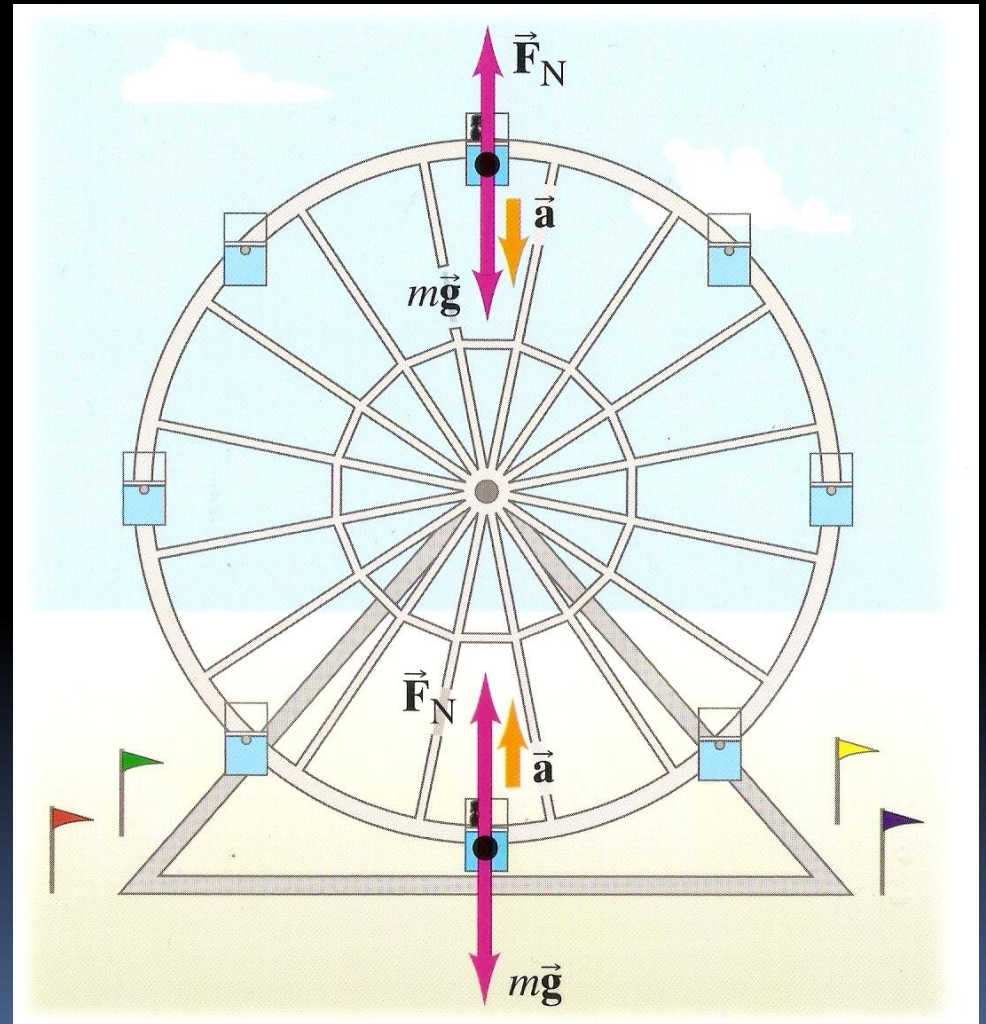
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- *How does gravity impact vertical circular motion?*
- *Top of the wheel:*

$$\Sigma F = ma$$

$$F_N - mg = -ma_c$$

$$F_N = mg - ma_c$$



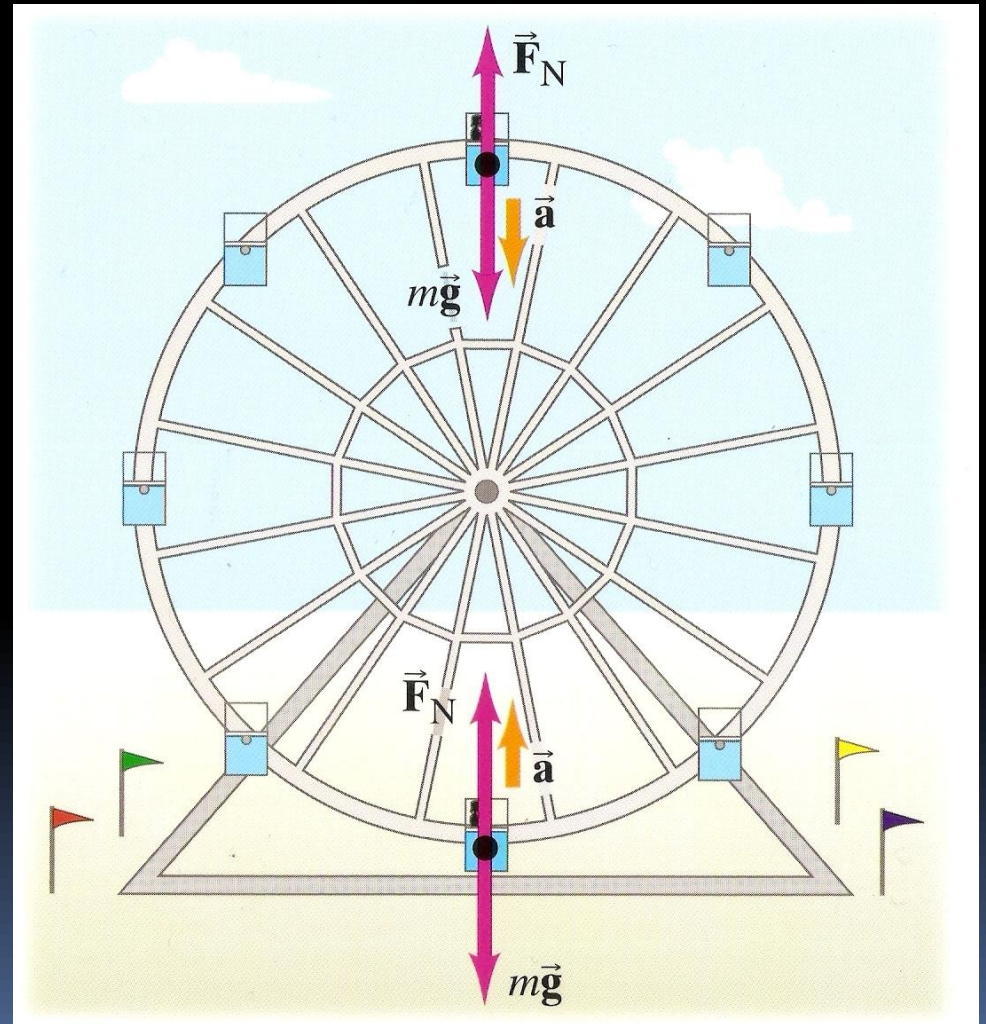
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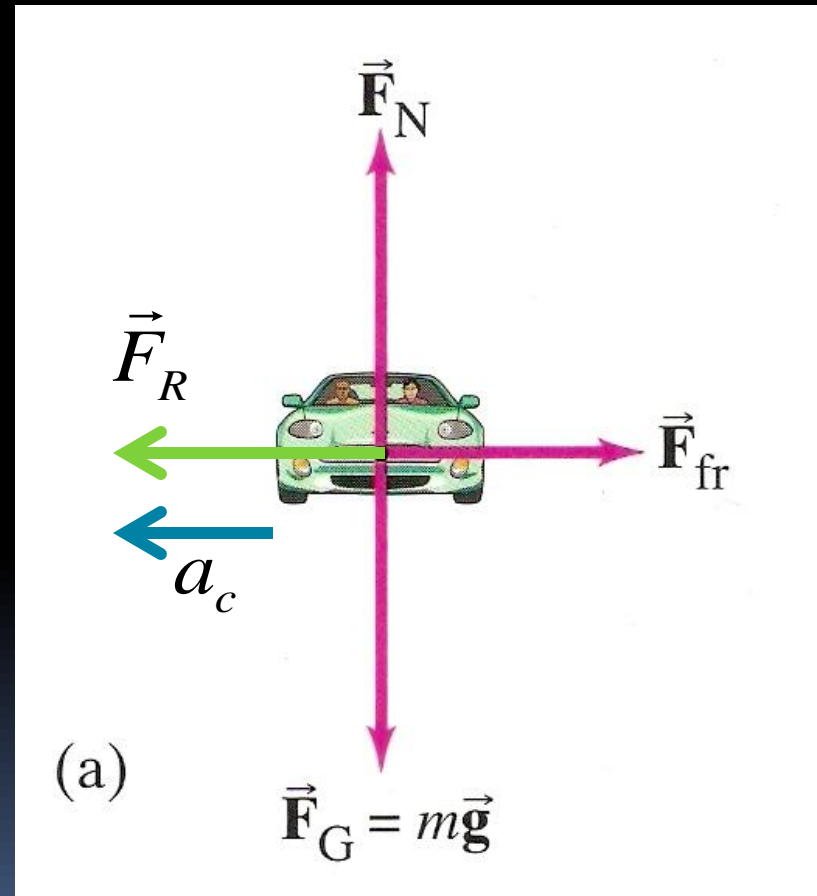
$$F_N = mg + ma_c$$





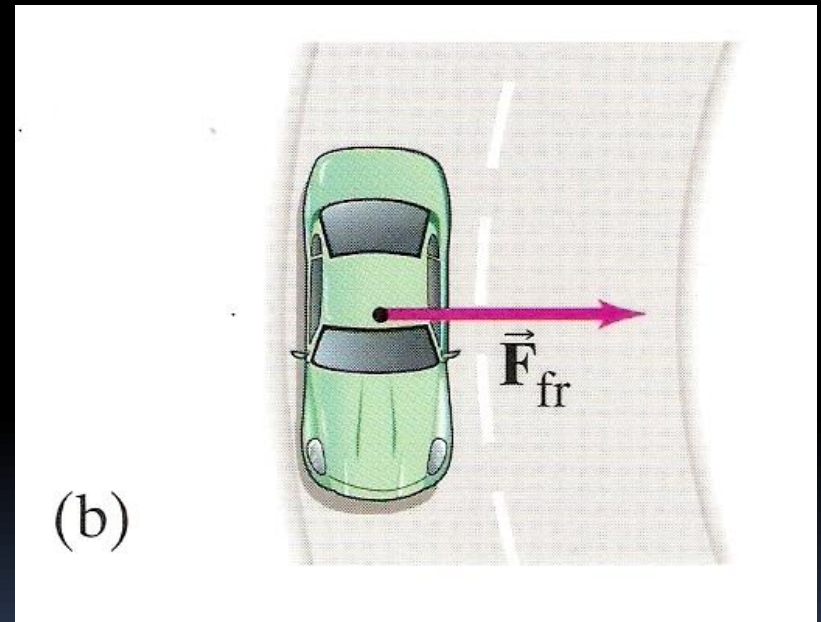
# Car Rounding A Curve

- The only force acting in the horizontal direction is friction
- Friction pushes to the right causing an acceleration



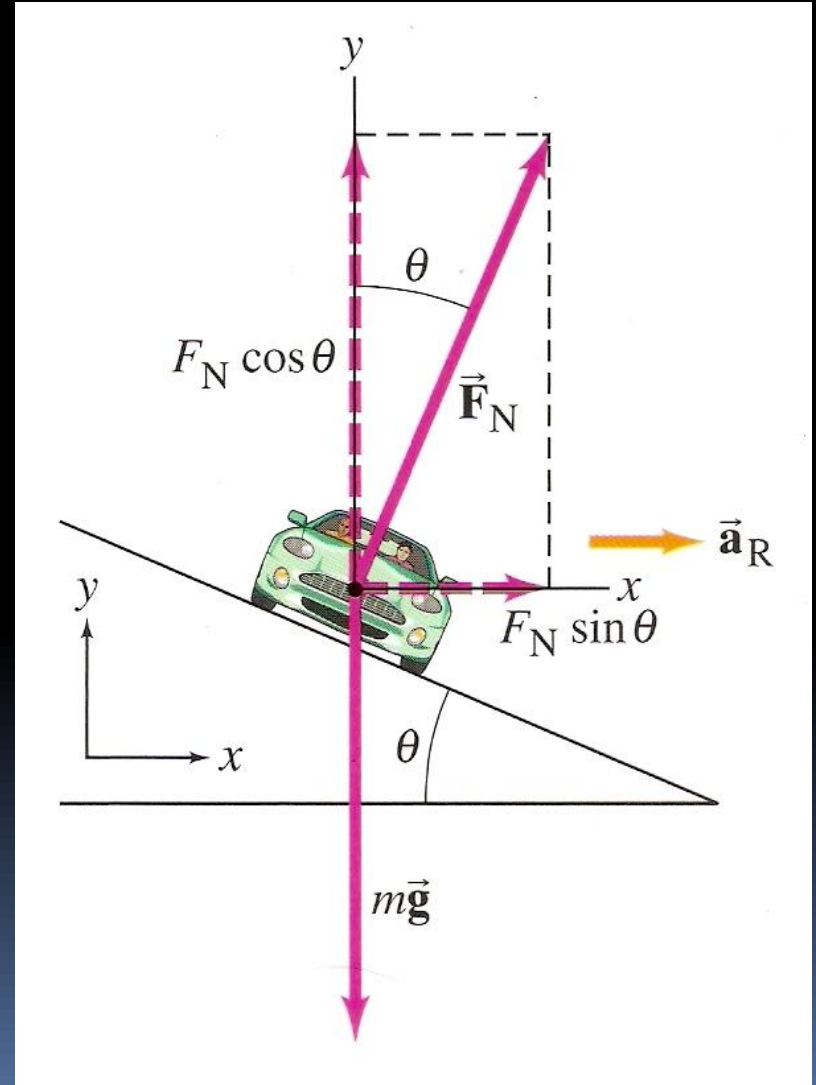
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- That acceleration is the change in the direction of the car's velocity, i.e. the car turns



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- On a flat curve, friction is the only force used to turn the car
- On a banked turn, a component of the normal force also acts to turn the car



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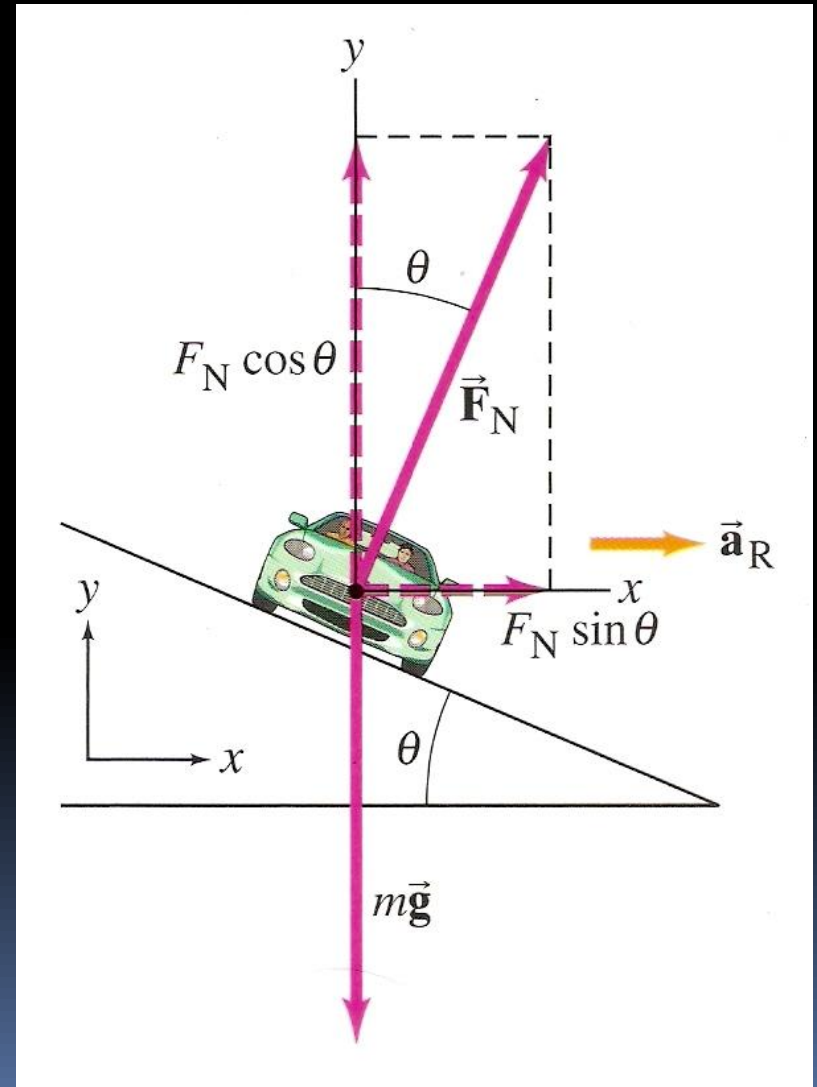
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- Wheels rolling. When the wheels are rolling, there is no movement between the point of contact of the tires and the road so static coefficient of friction applies. If the brakes are locked up, the tire is sliding in relation to the road so dynamic coefficient of friction applies and it is less so less force to turn.

# Car Rounding A Curve

- Sample Problem



# Summary Video

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