

Linear/Angular Velocity Worksheet
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1. Determine the angular velocity in radians per second of a wheel turning at 350rpm.

$$\frac{350 \text{ rev}}{\text{min}} \left| \frac{1 \text{ min}}{60 \text{ sec}} \right| \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{1 \text{ rev}} = \underline{36.652 \text{ rad/sec}}$$

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2. Determine the rpm of a wheel turning 52.8rad/sec.

$$\frac{52.8 \text{ rad}}{\text{sec}} \left| \frac{60 \text{ sec}}{1 \text{ min}} \right| \frac{1 \text{ rev}}{2\pi \text{ rad}} = \underline{504.203 \text{ rpm}}$$

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3. A Ferris wheel with a diameter of 220ft takes 42 seconds to rotate once.

- a. Determine the angular velocity in radians per second of the Ferris wheel.

$$r = 110 \text{ ft}$$

$$\frac{1 \text{ rev}}{42 \text{ sec}} \left| \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{1 \text{ rev}} \right| = \underline{.15 \text{ rad/sec}}$$

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- b. Determine the linear velocity in feet per second of the Ferris wheel.

→ angular — need radius for linear

$$\frac{.15 \text{ rad}}{\text{sec}} \left| \frac{110 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ rad}} \right| = \underline{16.5 \text{ ft/sec}}$$

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4. What is the angular velocity in radians per minute of a notch on a wheel that makes 24 rotations per second about its axis?

$$\frac{24 \text{ rev}}{1 \text{ sec}} \left| \frac{60 \text{ sec}}{1 \text{ min}} \right| \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{1 \text{ rev}} = \underline{9047.789 \text{ rad/min}}$$

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5. The minute hand of a watch is 1.3cm long. What is the linear velocity, in cm/sec, of the tip of the hand? ↙ 60 min in one rev!

$$\frac{1 \text{ rev}}{60 \text{ min}} \left| \frac{1.3 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ rad}} \right| \left| \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{1 \text{ rev}} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ min}}{60 \text{ sec}} \right| = .002 \text{ cm/sec}$$

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6. A flywheel mounted on an engine crankshaft has a radius of 6in. If the engine is running at 2800rpm, what is the linear velocity of a point on the outer edge of the flywheel in feet/sec?

$$\frac{2800 \text{ rev}}{\text{min}} \left| \frac{1 \text{ min}}{60 \text{ sec}} \right| \left| \frac{6 \text{ in}}{1 \text{ rad}} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ ft}}{12 \text{ in}} \right| \left| \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{1 \text{ rev}} \right| = 146.608 \text{ ft/sec}$$

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7. A toy race car is traveling around a circular track that is 3.2m in diameter. It is traveling at 0.31 radians per second.

- a. Find its angular velocity in degrees per minute.

$$\frac{.31 \text{ rad}}{\text{sec}} \left| \frac{60 \text{ sec}}{1 \text{ min}} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ rev}}{2\pi \text{ rad}} \right| \left| \frac{360^\circ}{1 \text{ rev}} \right| = 1055.901 \text{ deg/min}$$

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- b. Find its linear velocity in km per hour.

$$\frac{1055.901 \text{ deg}}{\text{min}} \left| \frac{60 \text{ min}}{1 \text{ hr}} \right| \left| \frac{1.6 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ rad}} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ rev}}{360^\circ} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ km}}{1000 \text{ m}} \right| \left| \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{1 \text{ rev}} \right| = 1.786 \text{ km/hr}$$

$v = r\omega$

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8. A merry-go-round rotates at 3600 degrees per minute. The diameter of its platform is 28ft. What is the speed in miles per hour of a point on the edge of the platform? (5280ft = 1 mile) $r = 14 \text{ ft}$

Linear Velocity →

$$\frac{3600^\circ}{\text{min}} \left| \frac{60 \text{ min}}{1 \text{ hr}} \right| \left| \frac{14 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ rad}} \right| \left| \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{360^\circ} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ mi}}{5280 \text{ ft}} \right| = 10 \text{ mph}$$

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9. Dan and Ella are riding on a Ferris wheel. Dan observes that it takes 20 seconds to make a complete revolution. The seat is 25 feet from the axle of the wheel.

a. What is their angular velocity in revolutions per minute? Degrees per minute? Radians per minute?

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \frac{1 \text{ rev}}{20 \text{ sec}} \left| \frac{60 \text{ sec}}{1 \text{ min}} \right. & \frac{3 \text{ rev}}{\text{min}} \left| \frac{360^\circ}{1 \text{ rev}} \right. = & \frac{1080 \text{ deg}}{1 \text{ min}} \left| \frac{2 \pi \text{ rad}}{360^\circ} \right. \\
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 9a \quad \underline{3} \text{ rev/min} & \underline{1080} \text{ deg/min} & \underline{18.850} \text{ rad/min}
 \end{array}$$

b. What is their linear velocity in yards per minute?

need radius

$$\frac{18.850 \text{ rad}}{\text{min}} \left| \frac{25 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ rad}} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ yd}}{3 \text{ ft}} \right. = 157.083 \text{ yd/min}$$

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10. A train wheel has a diameter of 30in to the rim, which rests on the track. The flange, which keeps the wheel from slipping off the track, projects 1in beyond the rim. The wheel of the train is rotating at 30 revolutions per second.

a. What is the linear velocity, in mph, of a point on the wheel? $r = 15 \text{ in}$



need radius

$$\frac{30 \text{ rev}}{\text{sec}} \left| \frac{15 \text{ in}}{1 \text{ rad}} \right| \left| \frac{2 \pi \text{ rad}}{1 \text{ rev}} \right| \left| \frac{60 \text{ sec}}{1 \text{ min}} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ ft}}{12 \text{ in}} \right| \left| \frac{1 \text{ mile}}{5280 \text{ ft}} \right| \left| \frac{60 \text{ min}}{1 \text{ hr}} \right. = 160.650 \text{ mph}$$

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