

**Physics 50**

**Uniform Circular Motion Problems**

1. An earth satellite moves in a circular orbit of 640 km above earth's surface with a period of 98.0 min.
  - a) Calculate the speed of the satellite.
  - b) Calculate acceleration of the satellite.
  
2. A rotating fan completes 1200 revolutions every minute. Consider the tip of the blade, at a radius of 0.15 m.
  - a) Calculate the distance the tip of the blade moves in one revolution.
  - b) Calculate the tip's speed.
  - c) Calculate the tip's acceleration.
  - d) Calculate the period of rotation.
  
3. A particle moves horizontally in uniform circular motion, over a horizontal x-y plane. At one instant it moves through the point (4.0 m, 4.0 m) with a velocity of  $-5.00 \mathbf{i}$  (m/s) and an acceleration of  $+1.25 \mathbf{j}$  ( $\text{m/s}^2$ ). Calculate the coordinates of the center of the circular path.
  
4.
  - a) Calculate the magnitude of the centripetal acceleration of an object on Earth's equator due to the rotation of the earth.
  - b) What should be the earth's period of rotation so that an object on the equator have a centripetal acceleration of  $9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ ?