

An object is moving in a circular path of diameter 20 cm. The frequency of rotation is 3 rev/sec. What is the speed of the object?

Given:

$$\text{Diameter: } d = 20 \text{ cm} = 0.2 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{radius: } r = 10 \text{ cm} = 0.1 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Frequency of rotation: } f = 3 \text{ rev/sec}$$

Determine: speed of the object:  $v$

$$v = \omega \times r \text{ ----- (1)}$$

“ $\omega$ ” is the angular speed in radians / second.

$$\omega = 2\pi f = 2 \times 3.14 \times 3 = 18.84 \text{ rad/sec}$$

Substituting for “ $\omega$ ” and “ $r$ ” in (1):

$$v = 18.84 \times 0.1 = 1.9 \text{ m/s}$$