

Dave invites you to a party with his friends in the old hotel, and you drink a strange red fluid.

2a - 13 pts) You later find yourself alone laying down on a merry-go-round-like contraption, shaped like a solid disk, that has a radius of 5 meters and an average mass (including you) of 300 kg. It is being pushed from rest by one of Dave's friends who applies a constant 50 N normal force. Assuming the mass is evenly distributed over the disk, how long does it take for the merry-go-round to reach a centripetal acceleration of 10 m/s^2 .

$$a_c = 10 \text{ m/s}^2 = \frac{v^2}{r} = \omega^2 r$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{10 \text{ m/s}^2}{5 \text{ m}}} = \sqrt{2} \text{ rad/s} = 1.414 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\tau = I\alpha = rF \quad I = \frac{1}{2}mr^2 \quad \text{for solid disk}$$

$$\text{So } \alpha = \frac{rF}{\frac{1}{2}mr^2} = \frac{2F}{mr} = \frac{2 \cdot 50 \text{ N}}{300 \text{ kg} \cdot 5 \text{ m}} = 0.066 \text{ rad/s}^2$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{\omega}{\alpha} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \text{ rad/s}}{0.066 \text{ rad/s}^2} = \boxed{21 \text{ s}}$$

2b - 12 pts) After the merry-go-round reaches an angular velocity of 100 rpm, Dave's friend (mass = 70 kg) jumps onto the outside rim of the merry-go-round. What is the resulting angular velocity of the merry-go-round (including you and Dave's friend)?

Note: -4 for using $\frac{1}{2}m_{DF}r^2$

$$I_0 \omega_0 = I_f \omega_f$$

$$I_0 = \frac{1}{2} m_{MGR} r^2$$

$$I_f = \frac{1}{2} m_{MGR} r^2 + m_{DF} r^2$$

$$\omega_f = \frac{I_0}{I_f} \omega_0 = \frac{\frac{1}{2} m_{MGR} r^2}{\frac{1}{2} m_{MGR} r^2 + m_{DF} r^2} \cdot \omega_0$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2} 300 \text{ kg} (5 \text{ m})^2}{\frac{1}{2} \cdot 300 \text{ kg} \cdot (5 \text{ m})^2 + 70 \text{ kg} \cdot (5 \text{ m})^2} \cdot 100 \text{ rpm}$$

$$= \boxed{68 \text{ rpm}} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{10.8 \text{ rad/s}}{7.14}$$