# Period and Speed of Orbiting Objects Math Help 

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Earth's moon orbits Earth at a mean distance of $3.84 \times 10^{8} \mathrm{~m}$ and has an orbital period of 27.4 days. Use this data to calculate Earth's mass.

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The asteroid Ceres orbits the sun with an orbital period of 4.61 Earth years. A) What is the mean radius of Ceres' orbit? ( $m_{s}=1.99 \times 10^{30} \mathrm{~kg}$ ) B) What is the orbital speed of the asteroid Ceres

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