## Quiz

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1. Figure (a) depicts a point-mass $P$ in orbit around a fixed point $S$. The point-mass is subject to a single force that is centripetal in the direction of $S$.


1a. Newton verifies Kepler's second law by showing that a certain ratio is a constant. Explain what this ratio is and in what sense it is constant.

1b. Figure (b) shows part of a coordinate axis. The point depicts a point-mass of mass $m$. It is at rest at the origin 0 . At time $t=0$, a constant force of magnitude $F$ begins to act on the point pushing it to the right. After a time $t>0$, the point has moved a distance $x$. Verify that $x=\frac{F}{2 m} t^{2}$.
2. Suppose that a point-mass $P$ is driven in its orbit by a centripetal force that points in the direction of a fixed point $S$. Suppose also that this orbit is an ellipse, parabola, or hyperbola and that $S$ is at a focal point of the orbit. Newton uses the diagram below in his verification of the formula $F_{P}=\frac{8 \kappa^{2} m}{L} \frac{1}{r_{P}^{2}}$.

$\mathbf{2 a}$. What do the various symbols in the formula represent? Which of them are constants and which are variable quantities?

2b. Provide two approximations - one of them a consequence of the conclusion of 1a of the previous page, and the other a consequence of conclusion 1 b - that together form the basis of Newton's verification of this formula.

