

## Example 5.C.9

*Answer key*

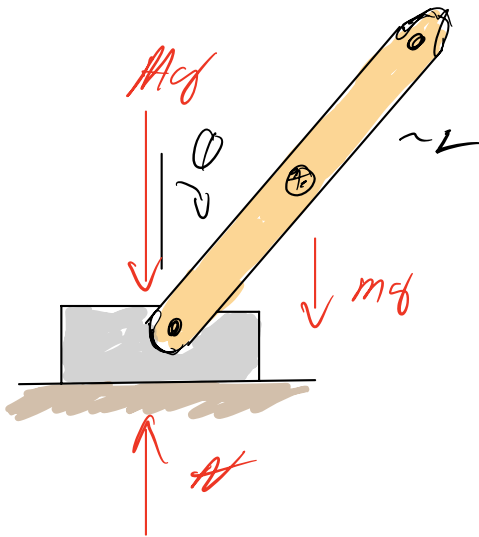
**Given:** A rod of mass  $m$  and length  $L$  is pinned to a block of mass  $M$ . The block can slide on a frictionless horizontal surface. The rod is released from rest when  $\theta = 30^\circ$ .

**Find:** Determine:

- (a) The angular velocity of the rod when  $\theta = 90^\circ$ ; and
- (b) The velocity of the block when  $\theta = 90^\circ$ .

Consider using both the work-energy and linear impulse-momentum equations in your solution. Use the following parameters in your analysis:  $m = 10 \text{ kg}$ ,  $M = 30 \text{ kg}$  and  $L = 2 \text{ m}$ .

① FBD



$$T_1 + V_1 + \sum d_{1-2}^{nc} = T_2 + V_2$$

$$T_1 = 0 \quad V_1 = mgl/2 \cos \theta_0$$

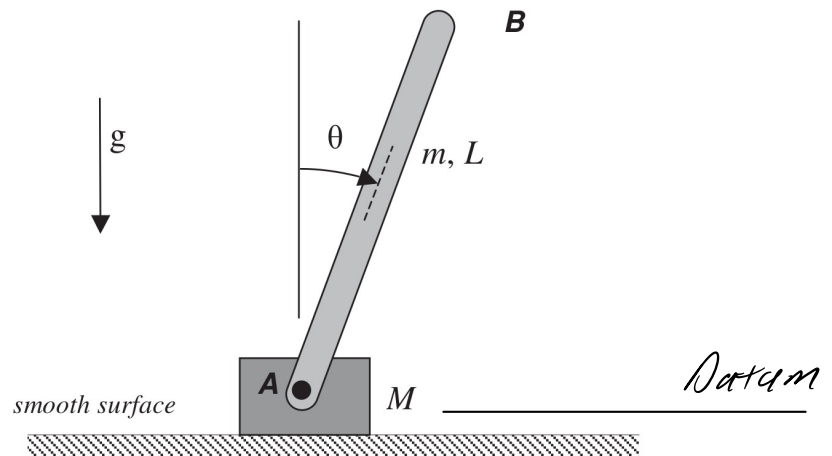
$$T_2 = \frac{1}{2} m v_G^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_G \omega^2 + \frac{1}{2} M v_A^2$$

$$mgl/2 \cos \theta_0 = \frac{1}{2} m v_G^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_G \omega^2 + \frac{1}{2} M v_A^2$$

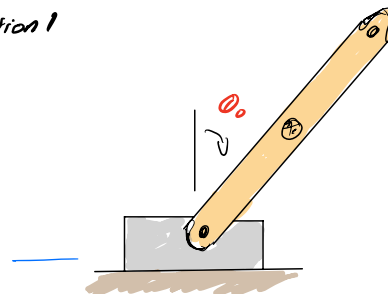
Equations 1, unknowns:  $v_G$ ,  $\omega$ ,  $v_A$

Now momentum is conserved in "x" direction

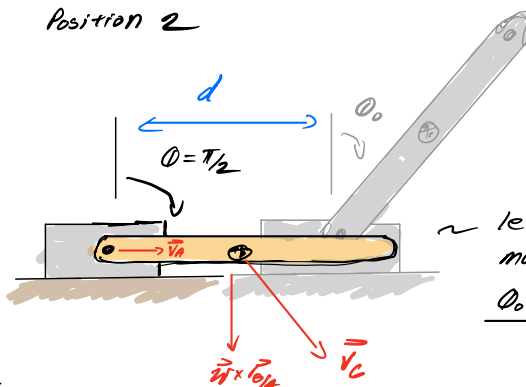
$$0 = M v_A + m v_{Gx}$$



Position 1



Position 2



$\theta_0 = 30^\circ$

I don't need 'd' since the system is conservative.

~ let's say it move to  $\theta = \theta_2$   
 $\theta_0 < \theta_2 < \pi/2$

~ correct drawing but I am going to assume positive in my solution.

### ③ Kinematics

$$\vec{V}_G = \vec{V}_A + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{GA}$$

$$V_{Gx}\hat{i} + V_{Gy}\hat{j} = V_A\hat{i} + \omega\hat{k} \times \frac{L}{2}\hat{j}$$

$$V_{Gx}\hat{i} + V_{Gy}\hat{j} = V_A\hat{i} + \omega\frac{L}{2}\hat{i}$$

$$\text{)} \quad V_{Gx} = V_A$$

$$\text{)} \quad V_{Gy} = \omega\frac{L}{2}$$

and  
it is  
 $\theta = 90^\circ$ .

### ④ Solve

OK, we have a contradiction

$$V_A = -\frac{M}{m} V_{Gx} \quad \text{and} \quad V_{Gx} = V_A$$

The only solution that satisfies is

$V_{Gx} = V_A = 0$ . This means that it falls and stops.

$$mg\frac{L}{2}\cos\theta_0 = \frac{1}{2}mV_G^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_G\omega^2 + \frac{1}{2}MV_A^2$$

$$mg\frac{L}{2}\cos\theta_0 = \frac{1}{2}mV_G^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_G\omega^2 + 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} mg\frac{L}{2}\cos\theta &= \frac{1}{2}m\frac{L^2}{4}\omega^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{12}mL^2\right)\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{3}mL^2\right)\omega^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$3mgL\cos\theta = mL^2\omega^2$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{3g}{L}\cos\theta}$$



This was nasty  
you have to realize  
it stops moving  
in "x" direction when  
 $\theta = 90^\circ$ . You will have  
a HW problem that  
does the same.

$$V_A = 0$$