

ME 274: Basic Mechanics II

Lecture 7: Rigid Body Motion



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Review: Rigid Body Motion

If we know the motion of one point and the rotation of the body, we can determine the motion of any point on the body

Rigid body:

$$r = |\vec{r}_{B/A}| = \text{CONSTANT and } \dot{r} = 0$$

Velocity and acceleration of point B with respect to point A:

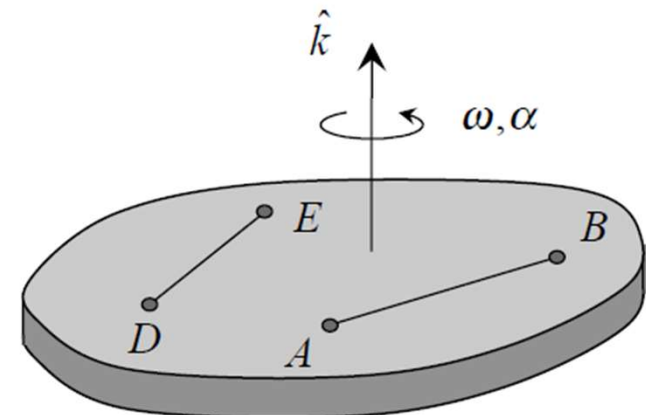
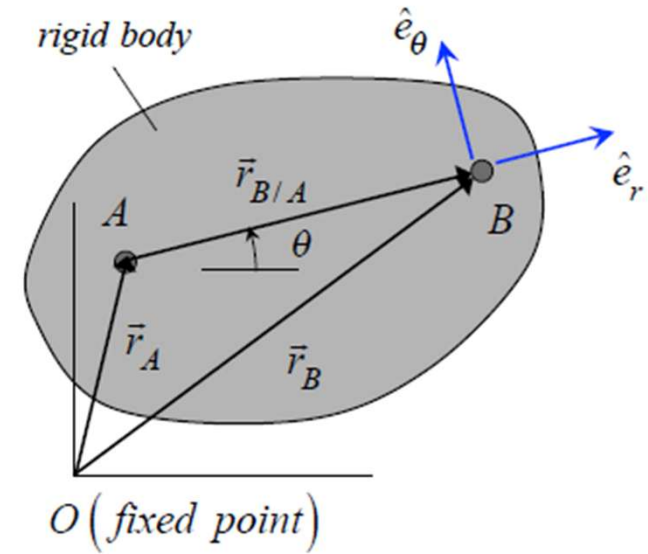
$$\vec{v}_B = \vec{v}_A + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{B/A}$$

$$\vec{a}_B = \vec{a}_A + \vec{\omega} \times [\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{B/A}] + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{B/A}$$

$$\vec{a}_B = \vec{a}_A + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{B/A} - \omega^2 \vec{r}_{B/A}.$$

Angular velocity ω , and angular acceleration α are properties of the body

- $\vec{\omega} = \omega \hat{k} = \dot{\theta} \hat{k}$, $\vec{\alpha} = \alpha \hat{k} = \ddot{\theta} \hat{k}$
- Sign of ω, α determines direction of rotation (using right hand rule)



Example 2.A.7

Given: End B of the link moves to the right with a constant speed v_B .

Find: Determine:

- (a) The angular velocity of link AB; and
- (b) The angular acceleration of link AB.

Use the following parameters in your analysis: $v_B = 3 \text{ m/s}$, $L = 0.5 \text{ m}$ and $\theta = 36.87^\circ$. Also, be sure to express your answers as vectors.

- 1) draw unit vectors
- 2) what do we know?

$$\vec{V}_B = v_B \hat{i}, \quad \vec{V}_A = v_A \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{r}_{A/B} = (-L \cos \theta \hat{i} + L \sin \theta \hat{j})$$

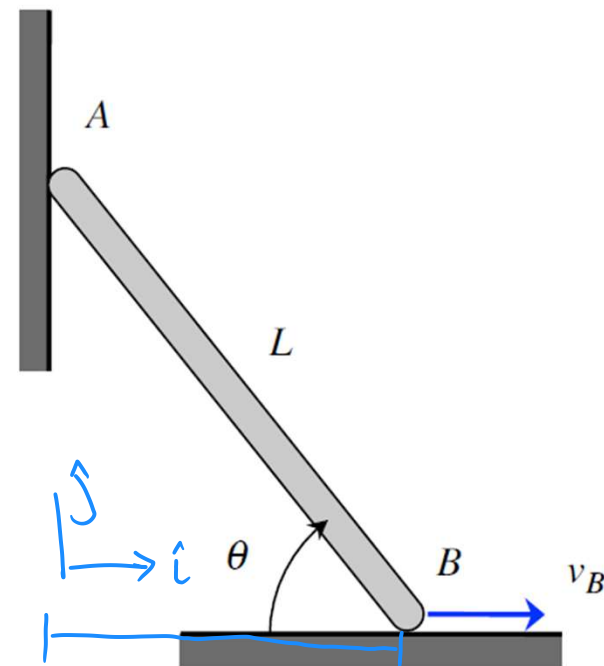
- 3) solve for v_A in terms of v_B

$$\vec{V}_A = \vec{V}_B + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{A/B}$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_A \hat{j} &= v_B \hat{i} + \omega \hat{k} \times (-L \cos \theta \hat{i} + L \sin \theta \hat{j}) \\ &= v_B \hat{i} - \omega L \cos \theta \hat{j} - \omega L \sin \theta \hat{i} \end{aligned}$$

3, 4, 5 triangle
 $L \sin \theta$
(0.6)

$L \cos \theta = (0.8)$



4) split components

$$\hat{i}: 0 = v_B - \omega L \sin \theta$$

$$\hat{j}: v_A = -\omega L \cos \theta$$

solve for ω & v_A

$$\omega = \frac{v_B}{L \sin \theta} = \frac{3}{0.5(0.6)} = 10 \hat{k}$$

$$v_A = -10(0.5)(0.8) = -4 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\vec{v}_A = -4 \hat{j} \text{ m/s}$$

5) solve for $\vec{a}_A$

$$\vec{a}_A = \vec{a}_B + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{A/B} - \omega^2 \vec{r}_{A/B}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_A \hat{j} &= a_B \hat{i} + \alpha \hat{k} \times (-L \cos \theta \hat{i} + L \sin \theta \hat{j}) - \omega^2 (L \cos \theta \hat{i} + L \sin \theta \hat{j}) \\ &= a_B \hat{i} - \alpha L \cos \theta \hat{j} - \alpha L \sin \theta \hat{i} + \omega^2 L \cos \theta \hat{i} - \omega^2 L \sin \theta \hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

6) split components

$$\hat{i}: 0 = a_B - \alpha L \sin \theta + \omega^2 L \cos \theta$$

$$\hat{j}: a_A = -\alpha L \cos \theta - \omega^2 L \sin \theta$$

sub in known/found
values & solve

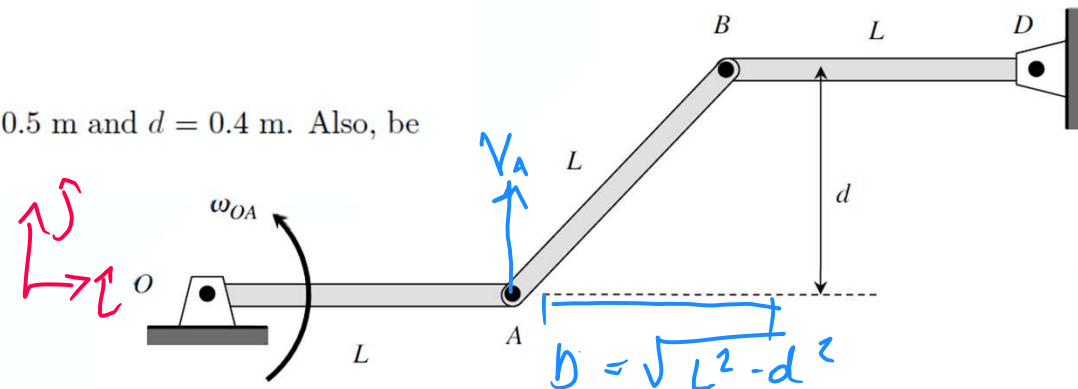
Example 2.A.10

Given: At the instant shown, link OA rotates counterclockwise about pin O with a constant angular speed of ω_{OA} . At the instant shown, links OA and BD are horizontal.

Find: Determine at this instant:

- The angular acceleration of link AB; and
- The angular acceleration of link BD.

Use the following parameters in your analysis: $\omega_{OA} = 3 \text{ rad/s}$, $L = 0.5 \text{ m}$ and $d = 0.4 \text{ m}$. Also, be sure to express your answers as vectors.



1) draw unit vectors

2) define geometry

$$b = \sqrt{L^2 - d^2}$$

3) find V_A from V_O

$$\vec{V}_A = \vec{V}_O + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{A/O}$$

$$0 + \omega_{OA} \hat{k} \times L \hat{i}$$

$$\vec{V}_A = \omega_{OA} L \hat{j}$$

4) find V_B using V_A

$$\vec{V}_B = \vec{V}_A + \vec{\omega}_{AB} \times \vec{r}_{B/A}$$

$$= V_A \hat{j} + \omega_{AB} \hat{k} \times (b \hat{i} - d \hat{j})$$

$$= V_A \hat{j} + \omega_{AB} b \hat{j} - \omega_{AB} d \hat{i}$$

5) find V_B using V_D

$$\vec{V}_B = \vec{V}_D + \vec{\omega}_{BD} \times \vec{r}_{B/D}$$

$$= 0 + \omega_{BD} \hat{k} \times (-L \hat{i})$$

$$\vec{V}_B = -\omega_{BD} L \hat{j}$$

b) set eqns for V_B equal

$$-\omega_{AB}d \hat{i} + (V_A + \omega_{AB}b) \hat{j} = -\omega_{BD}L \hat{j}$$

7) split components

$$\hat{i}: -\omega_{AB}d = 0 \Rightarrow \omega_{AB} = 0 \quad \vec{\omega}_{AB} = \vec{0}$$

$$\hat{j}: V_A + \omega_{AB}b = -\omega_{BD}L$$

$$V_A = -\omega_{BD}L \Rightarrow \omega_{BD} = -\frac{V_A}{L} = \frac{\omega_0 L}{L}$$

$$\vec{\omega}_{BD} = -\omega_0 \hat{k}$$

now for acceleration:

find a_A from a_0

$$\vec{a}_A = \vec{a}_O + \cancel{\alpha_{OA} \times \vec{r}_{A/O}} - \cancel{\omega_{OA}^2 \vec{r}_{A/O}} \quad \leftarrow \text{given}$$

fixed pt. $\vec{a}_A = -\omega_{OA}^2 L \hat{i}$

a_B from a_A

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a}_B &= \vec{a}_A + \alpha_{AB} \times \vec{r}_{B/A} - \omega_{AB}^2 \vec{r}_{B/A} \\ &= \vec{a}_A \hat{i} + \alpha_{AB} \hat{k} \times (b\hat{i} - d\hat{j}) - \cancel{\omega_{AB}^2 (b\hat{i} - d\hat{j})} \\ &= \vec{a}_A \hat{i} + \alpha_{AB} b \hat{j} - \alpha_{AB} d \hat{i} \end{aligned}$$

a_B from a_D $\leftarrow$ fixed pt.

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a}_B &= \cancel{\vec{a}_D} + \alpha_{BD} \times \vec{r}_{B/D} - \omega_{BD}^2 \vec{r}_{B/D} \\ &\quad + \alpha_{BD} \hat{k} \times (-L\hat{i}) - \omega_{BD}^2 (-L)\hat{i} \\ \vec{a}_B &= -\alpha_{BD} L \hat{j} + \omega_{BD}^2 L \hat{i} \end{aligned}$$

Set eqns for $\vec{a}_B =$

$$\vec{a}_A \hat{i} + \alpha_{AB} b \hat{j} - \alpha_{AB} d \hat{i} = -\alpha_{BD} L \hat{j} + \omega_{BD}^2 L \hat{i}$$

Separate terms:

$$\hat{i}: \vec{a}_A - \alpha_{AB} d = \omega_{BD}^2 L \quad \text{1 eqn, 2 unknown}$$

$$\hat{j}: \alpha_{AB} b = -\alpha_{BD} L$$

Sub in values and solve