

# ME 274: Basic Mechanics II

***Week 2 – Wednesday, January 21***

Particle kinematics: Joint Descriptions

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# Attendance!

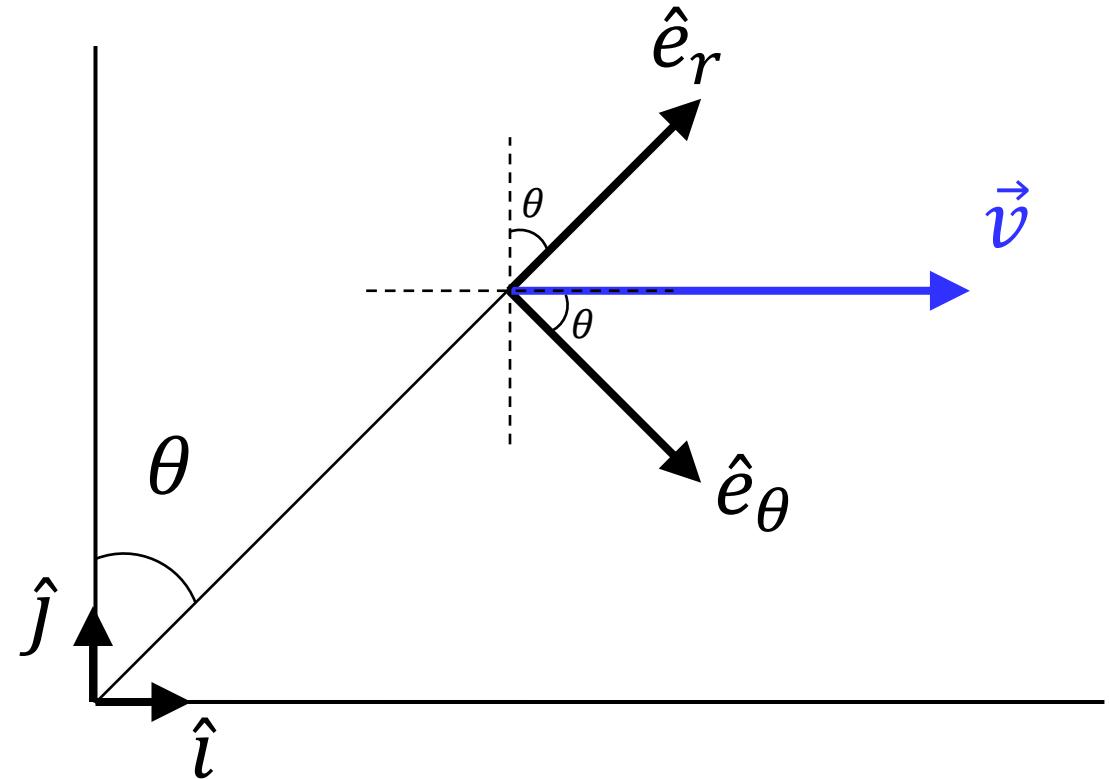
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# Question 1

The scalar projection of  $\vec{v}$  onto  $\hat{e}_r$  is:

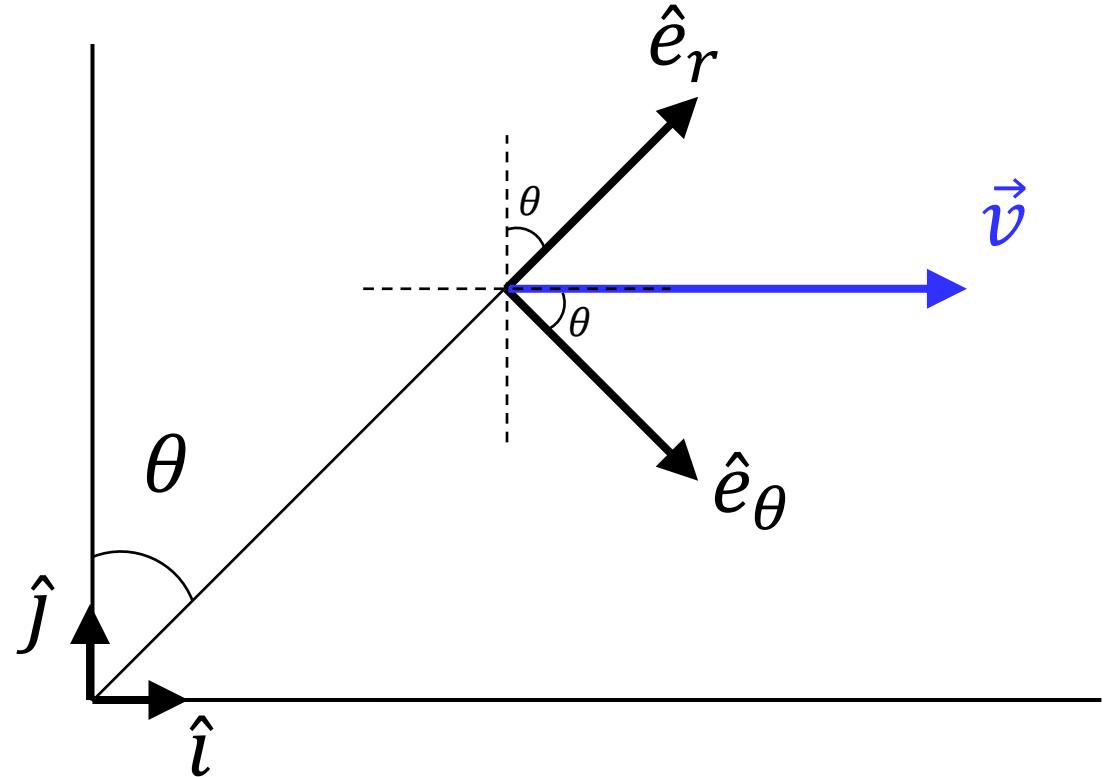
- a)  $\|\vec{v}\| \sin \theta$
- b)  $\vec{v} \cdot \hat{j}$
- c)  $\vec{v} \cdot \hat{i}$
- d)  $\|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta$



## Question 2

The scalar projection of  $\vec{v}$  onto  $\hat{e}_\theta$  is:

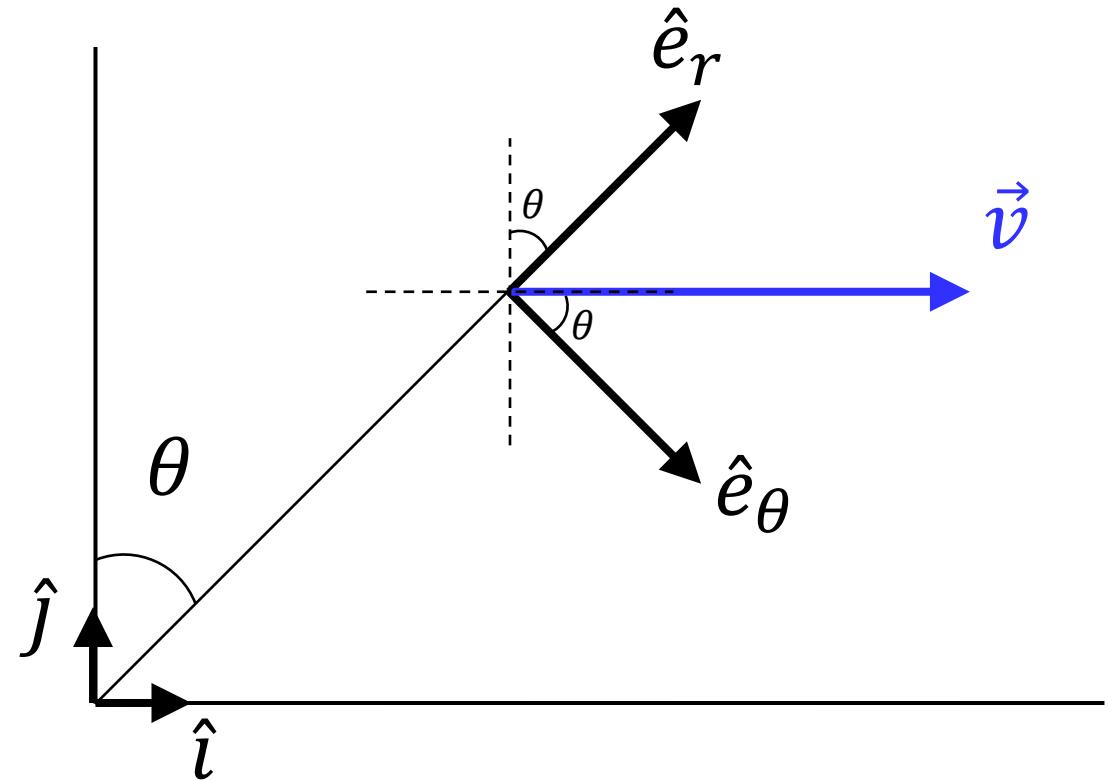
- a)  $\|\vec{v}\| \sin \theta$
- b)  $\vec{v} \cdot (\sin \theta \hat{i} + \cos \theta \hat{j})$
- c)  $\vec{v} \cdot (\cos \theta \hat{i} - \sin \theta \hat{j})$
- d)  $\vec{v} \cdot (-\cos \theta \hat{i} + \sin \theta \hat{j})$



# Correct answers

**Q1: a)**  $\|\vec{v}\| \sin \theta$

**Q2: c)**  $\vec{v} \cdot (\cos \theta \hat{i} - \sin \theta \hat{j})$



# Today's Agenda

1. Recap: polar coordinates
2. Joint Descriptions
3. Examples

# 1. Recap: Polar Coordinates

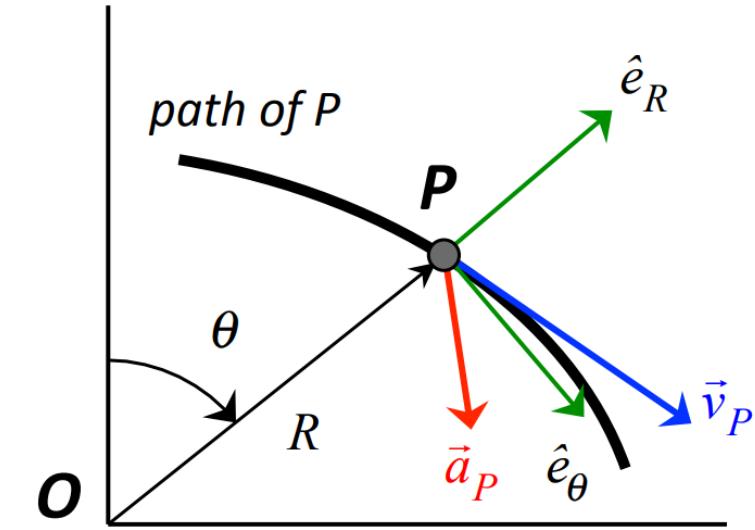
Kinematic Equations for Polar Coordinates:

$$\vec{v}(t) = \dot{R}\hat{e}_R + R\dot{\theta}\hat{e}_\theta$$

$$\vec{a}(t) = (\ddot{R} - R\dot{\theta}^2)\hat{e}_R + (R\ddot{\theta} + 2\dot{R}\dot{\theta})\hat{e}_\theta$$

To keep in mind:

- You are free to choose the observation point  $O$
- $\hat{e}_R$  always points OUTWARD from  $O$  to  $P$
- $\hat{e}_\theta$  is perpendicular to  $\hat{e}_R$  and in direction of increasing  $\theta$



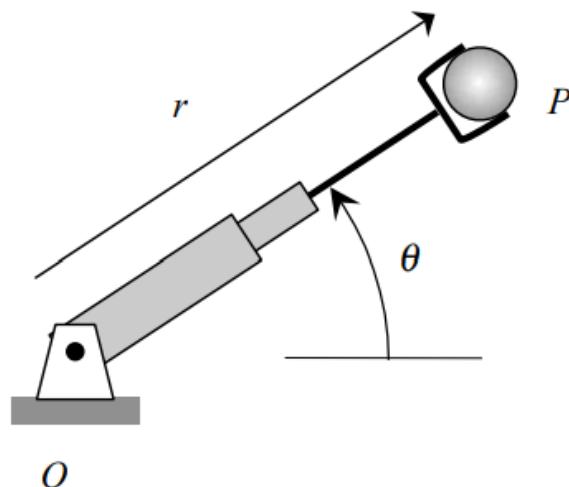
# Additional Lecture Example 1.4

**Given:** A rotating and telescoping robotic arm is gripping a small sphere P in its end effector. The arm is rotating counterclockwise with a constant angular speed of  $\dot{\theta}$ . The arm is extending such that the radial distance from O to P is related to the rotation angle  $\theta$  by the following equation:

$$r(\theta) = R_0 + R_1 \cos 2\theta$$

where  $r$  and  $\theta$  are given in terms of meters and radians, respectively.

**Find:** Determine the velocity and acceleration of the sphere P. Write your answers as vectors in terms of the polar unit vectors  $\hat{e}_r$  and  $\hat{e}_\theta$ .



Use the following parameters in your analysis:  $R_0 = 2$  m,  $R_1 = 0.5$  m,  $\theta = \pi/2$  rad and  $\dot{\theta} = 2$  rad/s.

**Solution:**

We need  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{a}$ :

$$\vec{v}(t) = \dot{r}\hat{e}_r + r\dot{\theta}\hat{e}_\theta$$

$$\vec{a}(t) = (\ddot{r} - r\dot{\theta}^2)\hat{e}_r + (r\ddot{\theta} + 2\dot{r}\dot{\theta})\hat{e}_\theta$$

What do we have? What are we missing?

$\dot{r}$  = need!

$r$  = given!

$\dot{\theta}$  = given!

$\ddot{r}$  = need!

$\ddot{\theta} = 0$

# Additional Lecture Example 1.4

$$\dot{r} = \frac{dr}{d\theta} \frac{d\theta}{dt} = -2R_1 \dot{\theta} \sin 2\theta \quad (\text{chain rule})$$

$$\ddot{r} = \frac{d}{dt}(-2R_1 \dot{\theta} \sin 2\theta) = -2R_1 \frac{d}{dt}(\dot{\theta} \sin 2\theta) \quad (\text{constant out})$$

$$\ddot{r} = -2R_1 \left[ \dot{\theta} \frac{d}{dt}(\sin 2\theta) + \sin 2\theta \frac{d}{dt}(\dot{\theta}) \right] \quad (\text{product rule})$$

$$\ddot{r} = -2R_1 \left[ \dot{\theta} \frac{d}{d\theta}(\sin 2\theta) \frac{d\theta}{dt} + \ddot{\theta} \sin 2\theta \right] \quad (\text{chain rule})$$

$$\ddot{r} = -2R_1 [2\dot{\theta}^2 \cos 2\theta + \ddot{\theta} \sin 2\theta] \quad (\text{solution})$$

## 2. Joint Descriptions

### *velocity vector*

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} &= \dot{x} \hat{i} + \dot{y} \hat{j} & ; \text{ Cartesian} \\ &= v \hat{e}_t & ; \text{ path} \\ &= \dot{r} \hat{e}_r + r \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_\theta & ; \text{ polar}\end{aligned}$$

### *acceleration vector*

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} &= \ddot{x} \hat{i} + \ddot{y} \hat{j} & ; \text{ Cartesian} \\ &= \dot{v} \hat{e}_t + \frac{v^2}{\rho} \hat{e}_n & ; \text{ path} \\ &= (\ddot{r} - r \dot{\theta}^2) \hat{e}_r + (r \ddot{\theta} + 2\dot{r}\dot{\theta}) \hat{e}_\theta & ; \text{ polar}\end{aligned}$$

- Given that we are in description **A**, how can we go to description **B**?
- Steps:
  1. Write unit vectors of **A** in terms of the unit vectors of **B**
  2. Use vector projections or coefficient balancing to find unknowns

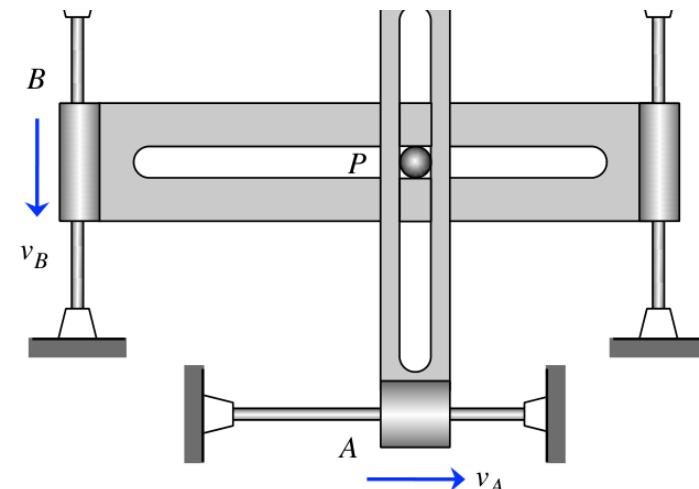
# Lecture Book Example 1.C.2

**Given:** Pin P is constrained to move in the slotted guides that move at right angles to one another. At the instant shown, guide A moves to the right with a speed of  $v_A$ , a speed that is changing at a rate of  $\dot{v}_A$ . At the same time, B is moving downward with a speed of  $v_B$  with a rate of change of speed of  $\dot{v}_B$ .

**Find:**

- The rate of change of speed of P at this instant; and
- The radius of curvature  $\rho$  of the path followed by P at this instant.

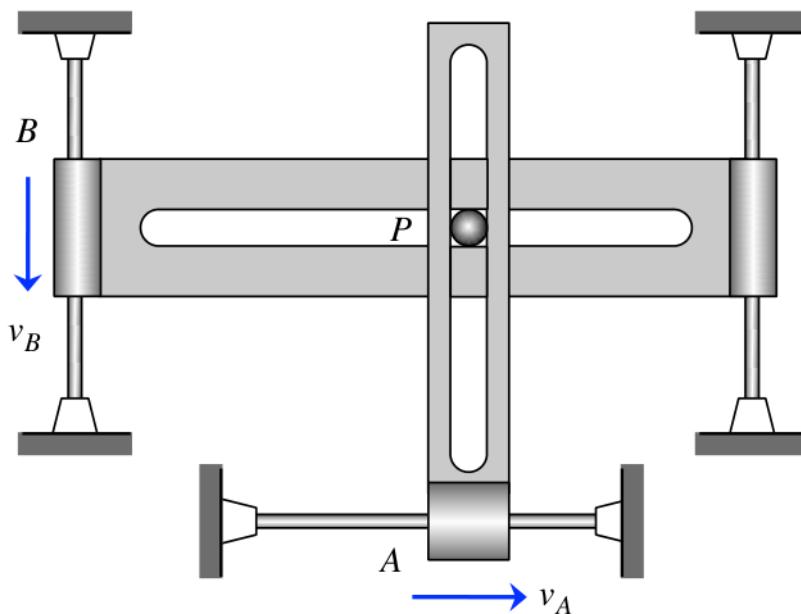
Use the following parameters:  $v_A = 0.2 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $v_B = 0.15 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $\dot{v}_A = 0.75 \text{ m/s}^2$  and  $\dot{v}_B = 0$ .



# Lecture Book Example 1.C.2

**Given:**  $v_A$ ,  $v_B$ ,  $\dot{v}_A$ ,  $\dot{v}_B$

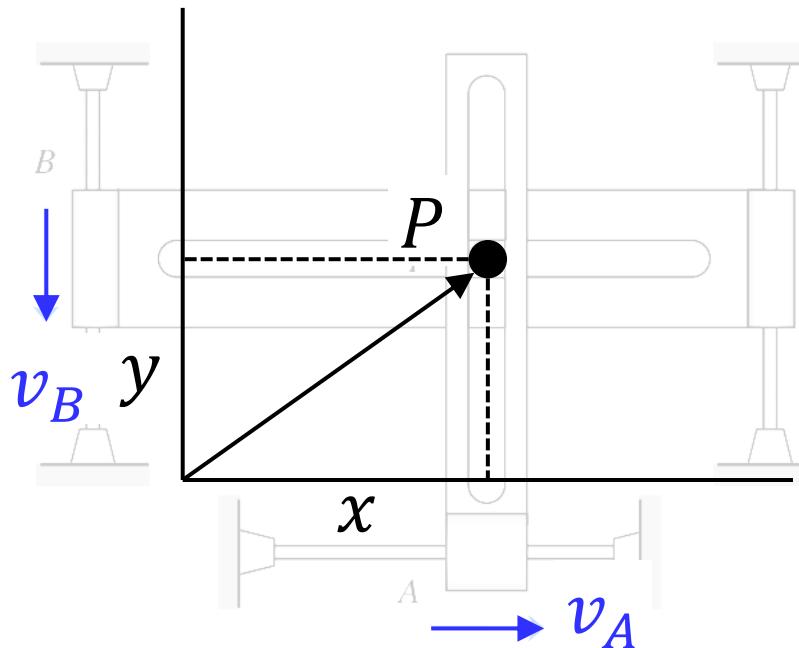
**Find:** (a)  $\dot{v}$ , and (b)  $\rho$



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**Given:**  $v_A$ ,  $v_B$ ,  $\dot{v}_A$ ,  $\dot{v}_B$

**Find:** (a)  $\dot{v}$ , and (b)  $\rho$



**Solution:**

Fundamental equations:

$$\vec{v} = \dot{x}\hat{i} + \dot{y}\hat{j} = v\hat{e}_t = \dot{r}\hat{e}_r + r\dot{\theta}\hat{e}_\theta$$

$$\vec{a} = \ddot{x}\hat{i} + \ddot{y}\hat{j} = \dot{v}\hat{e}_t + \frac{v^2}{\rho}\hat{e}_n = (\ddot{r} - r\dot{\theta}^2)\hat{e}_r + (\ddot{r} + 2\dot{r}\dot{\theta})\hat{e}_\theta$$

We will likely need  
to go to the path  
description ( $\hat{e}_t$ ,  $\hat{e}_n$ )

From the velocity equations:

$$\vec{v} = \dot{x}\hat{i} + \dot{y}\hat{j} = v_A\hat{i} - v_B\hat{j} = v\hat{e}_t$$

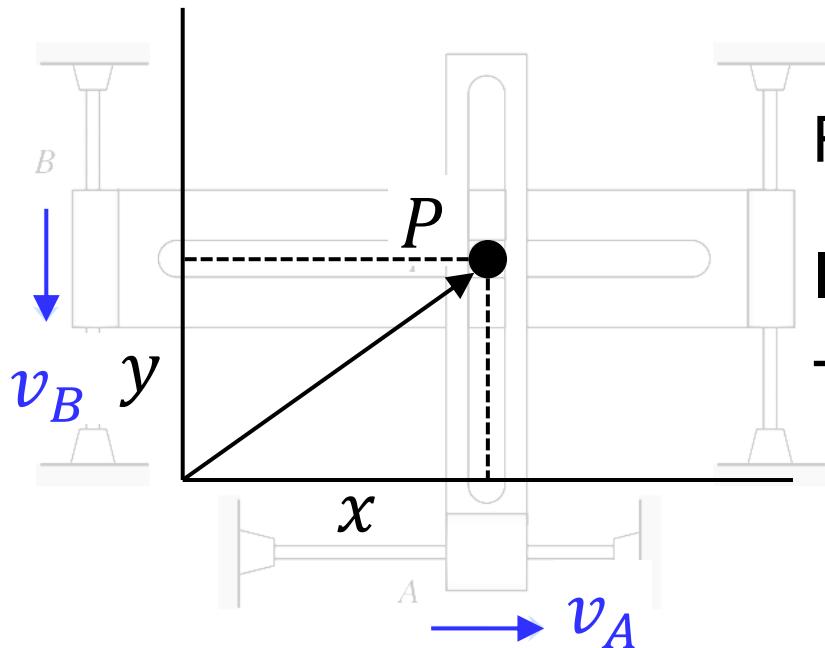
The vector  $\vec{v}$  is the same in both descriptions:

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{v_A^2 + v_B^2} = v$$

# Lecture Book Example 1.C.2

**Given:**  $v_A$ ,  $v_B$ ,  $\dot{v}_A$ ,  $\dot{v}_B$

**Find:** (a)  $\dot{v}$ , and (b)  $\rho$



**Solution:**

Knowing  $\vec{v} = v_A \hat{i} - v_B \hat{j}$  and  $\nu = \sqrt{v_A^2 + v_B^2}$ :

$$\hat{e}_t = \frac{\vec{v}}{\nu}$$

Remember that  $\dot{v}$  appears in  $\vec{a} = \dot{v} \hat{e}_t + \frac{\nu^2}{\rho} \hat{e}_n$

In Cartesian coordinates:  $\vec{a} = \ddot{x} \hat{i} + \ddot{y} \hat{j} = \dot{v}_A \hat{i} - \dot{v}_B \hat{j}$

Thus:

$$\vec{a} = \dot{v}_A \hat{i} - \dot{v}_B \hat{j} = \dot{v} \hat{e}_t + \frac{\nu^2}{\rho} \hat{e}_n$$

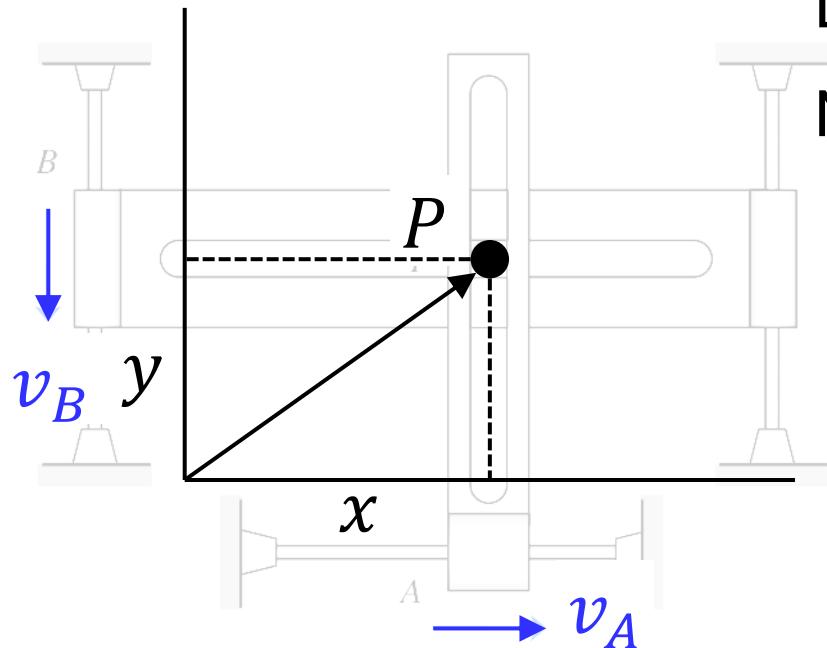
# Lecture Book Example 1.C.2

**Given:**  $v_A, v_B, \dot{v}_A, \dot{v}_B$

**Find:** (a)  $\dot{v}$ , and (b)  $\rho$

**Solution:**

$$\vec{a} = \dot{v}_A \hat{i} - \dot{v}_B \hat{j} = \dot{v} \hat{e}_t + \frac{v^2}{\rho} \hat{e}_n$$



Do we need  $\hat{e}_n$  to get  $\dot{v}$ ?

No:  $\dot{v}$  is the scalar projection of  $\hat{a}$  onto  $\hat{e}_t$

$$\dot{v} = \vec{a} \cdot \hat{e}_t = (\dot{v}_A \hat{i} - \dot{v}_B \hat{j}) \cdot \left( \frac{v_A \hat{i} - v_B \hat{j}}{v} \right)$$

$$\dot{v} = \frac{1}{v} (v_A \dot{v}_A + v_B \dot{v}_B)$$

# Lecture Book Example 1.C.2

**Given:**  $v_A$ ,  $v_B$ ,  $\dot{v}_A$ ,  $\dot{v}_B$

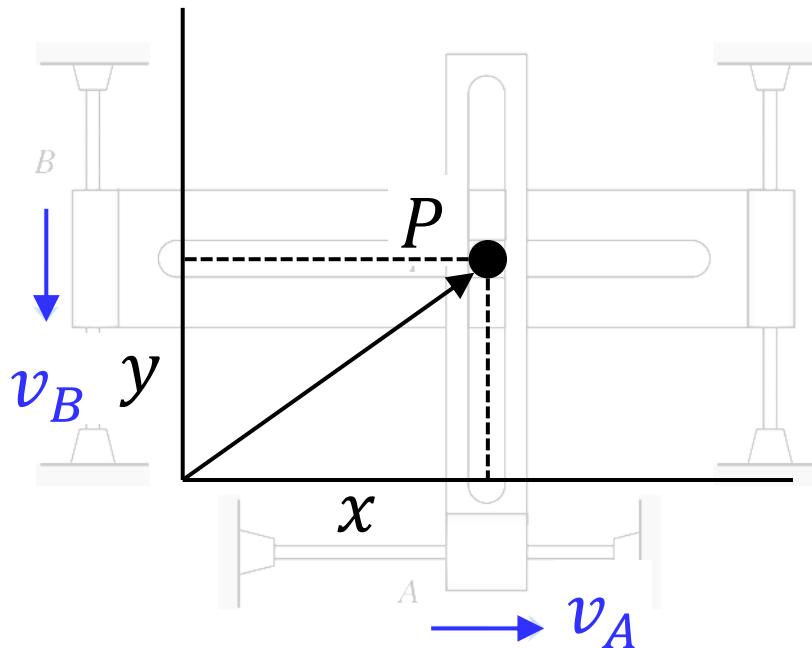
**Find:** (a)  $\dot{v}$ , and (b)  $\rho$

**Solution:**

The vector  $\vec{a}$  is the same in both descriptions:

$$\|\vec{a}\| = \sqrt{\dot{v}_A^2 + \dot{v}_B^2} = \sqrt{\dot{v}^2 + \frac{v^4}{\rho^2}},$$

from where we can clear  $\rho$ .

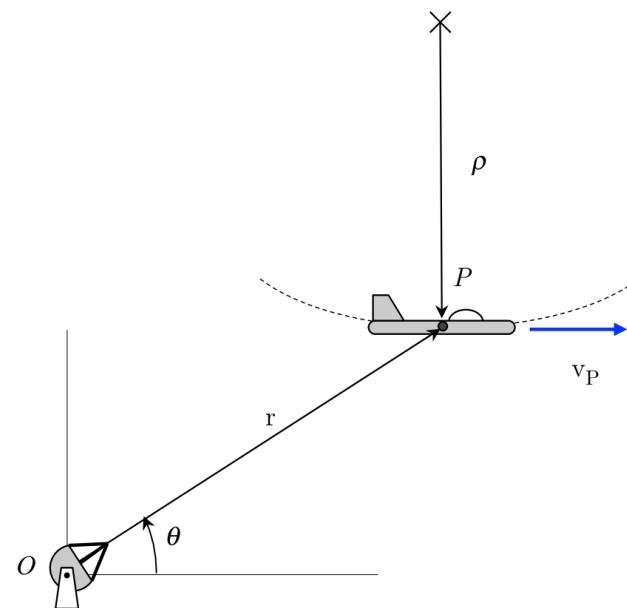


# Lecture Book Example 1.C.4

**Given:** At the bottom of a loop, an airplane P has a constant speed of  $v_P$  with the radius of curvature for the aircraft being  $\rho$ . The airplane is at a radial distance of  $r$  and at an angle of  $\theta$  from a radar tracking station at O.

**Find:** Determine numerical values for  $\ddot{r}$  and  $\ddot{\theta}$  at this instant in time.

Use the following:  $v_P = 75$  m/s,  $\rho = 3000$  m,  $r = 1000$  m and  $\theta = 36.87^\circ$

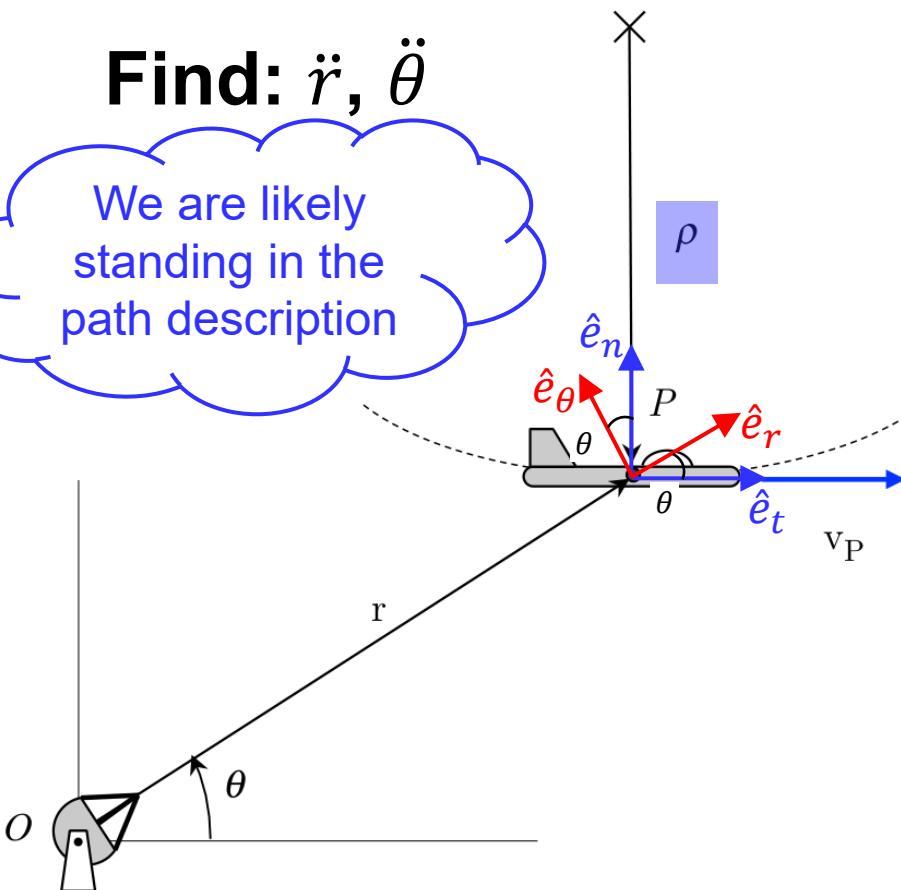


# Lecture Book Example 1.C.4

**Given:**  $v_P \equiv \text{const}$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $r$ ,  $\theta$

**Find:**  $\ddot{r}$ ,  $\ddot{\theta}$

We are likely standing in the path description



**Solution:**

Fundamental equations:

$$\vec{v} = \dot{x}\hat{i} + \dot{y}\hat{j} = v\hat{e}_t = \dot{r}\hat{e}_r + r\dot{\theta}\hat{e}_\theta$$

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From the figure:

$$\hat{e}_n = \sin \theta \hat{e}_r + \cos \theta \hat{e}_\theta$$

$$\hat{e}_t = \cos \theta \hat{e}_r - \sin \theta \hat{e}_\theta$$

We will **surely** need to go to the polar description  $(\hat{e}_r, \hat{e}_\theta)$

**NOTE:** See lecture book for a solution in terms of  $\hat{e}_r$  and  $\hat{e}_\theta$

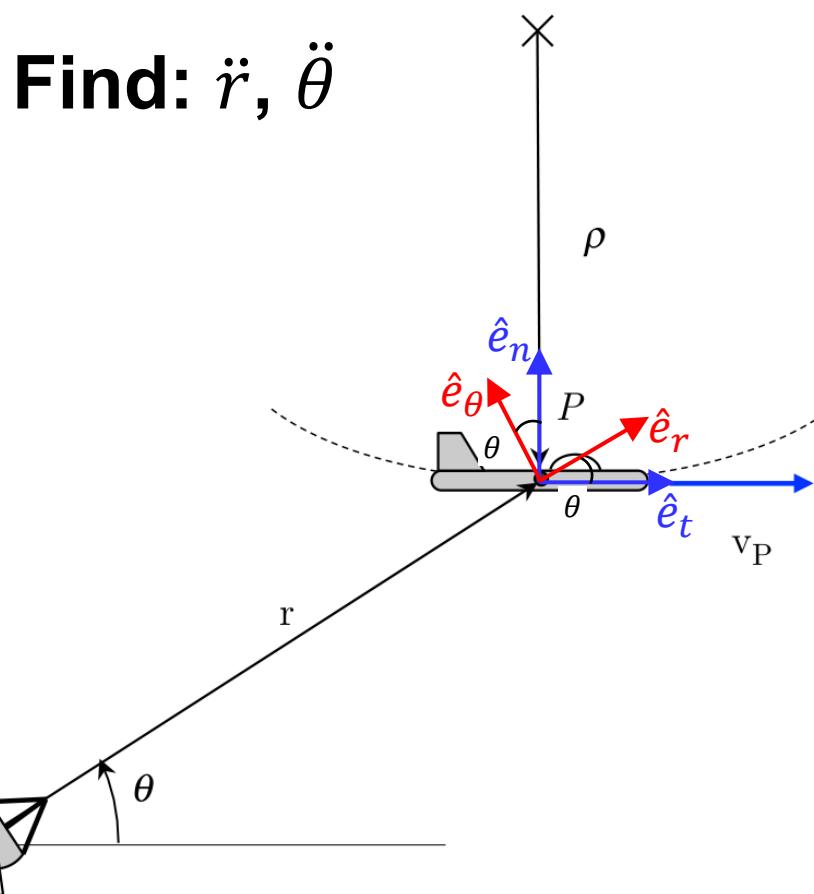
Substitute into  $\vec{v}$ -path and equate to  $\vec{v}$ -polar:

$$\vec{v} = v_P\hat{e}_t = v_P(\cos \theta \hat{e}_r - \sin \theta \hat{e}_\theta) = \dot{r}\hat{e}_r + r\dot{\theta}\hat{e}_\theta$$

# Lecture Book Example 1.C.4

**Given:**  $v_P \equiv \text{const}$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $r$ ,  $\theta$

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**Solution:**

$$\vec{v} = v_P \hat{e}_t = v_P (\cos \theta \hat{e}_r - \sin \theta \hat{e}_\theta) = \dot{r} \hat{e}_r + r \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_\theta$$

Balancing coefficients:

$$\dot{r} = v_P \cos \theta$$

$$\dot{\theta} = -\frac{v}{r} \sin \theta$$

Now, the acceleration:

$$\vec{a} = (\ddot{r} - r \dot{\theta}^2) \hat{e}_r + (r \ddot{\theta} + 2\dot{r}\dot{\theta}) \hat{e}_\theta = \frac{v^2}{\rho} (\sin \theta \hat{e}_r + \cos \theta \hat{e}_\theta)$$

Balancing coefficients:

$$\ddot{r} - r \dot{\theta}^2 = \frac{v^2}{\rho} \sin \theta \Rightarrow \ddot{r} = \frac{v^2}{\rho} \sin \theta + r \dot{\theta}^2 = 3.63 \text{ m}$$

$$r \ddot{\theta} + 2\dot{r}\dot{\theta} = \frac{v^2}{\rho} \cos \theta \Rightarrow \ddot{\theta} = \frac{1}{r} \left( \frac{v^2}{\rho} \cos \theta - 2\dot{r}\dot{\theta} \right) = 0.01 \text{ rad}$$

# ME 274: Basic Mechanics II

***Week 2 – Friday, January 23***

Particle kinematics: Constrained and relative motion

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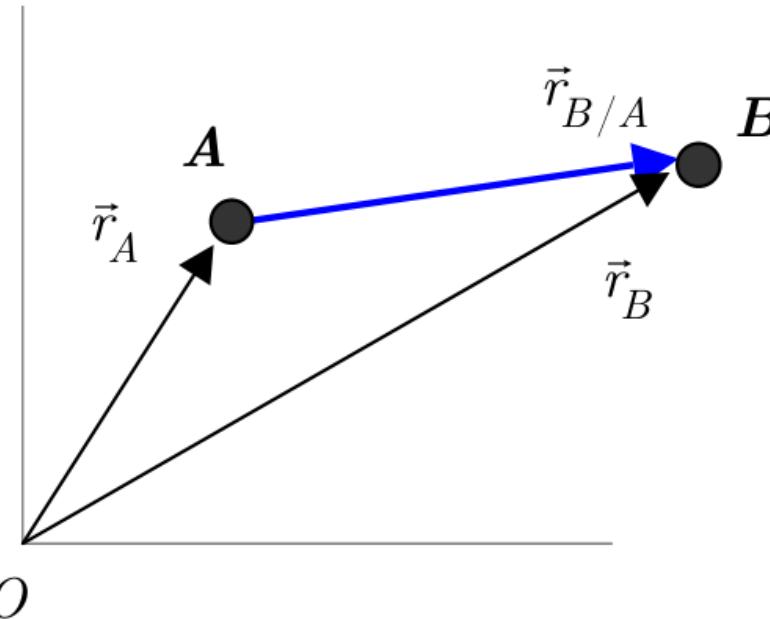
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# Today's Agenda

1. Relative Motion
2. Example
3. Constrained Motion
4. Examples

# 1. Relative Motion



$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}_{B/A} = \vec{r}_B - \vec{r}_A :$  position of particle B relative to position of particle A

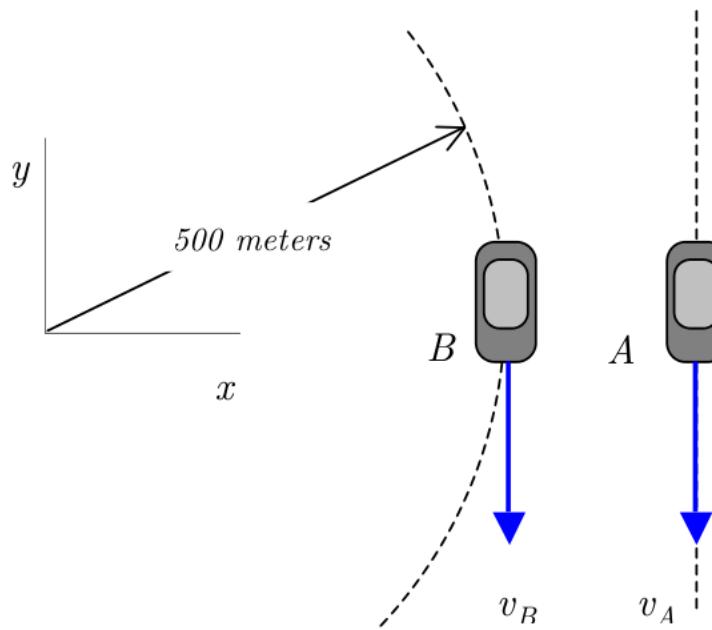
$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{v}_{B/A} = \vec{v}_B - \vec{v}_A :$  velocity of particle B with respect to particle A

$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{a}_{B/A} = \vec{a}_B - \vec{a}_A :$  acceleration of particle B with respect to particle A

## 2. Example 1.D.1

**Given:** At the instant shown, car B is traveling with a speed of 50 km/hr and is slowing down at a rate of 10 km/hr<sup>2</sup>. Car A is moving with a speed of 80 km/hr, a speed that is increasing at a rate of 10 km/hr<sup>2</sup>. At this instant, A and B are traveling in the same direction.

**Find:** What acceleration does a passenger in car A observe for car B?



## 2. Example 1.D.1

**Given:**  $v_B = 50 \text{ km/h}$ ,  $\dot{v}_B = 10 \text{ km/h}^2$  (–),  $v_A = 80 \text{ km/h}$ ,  $\dot{v}_A = 10 \text{ km/h}^2$

**Find:** acceleration of B with respect to A,  $\vec{a}_{B/A}$

**Solution:**

We suspect  $\vec{a}_B$  has a normal component:

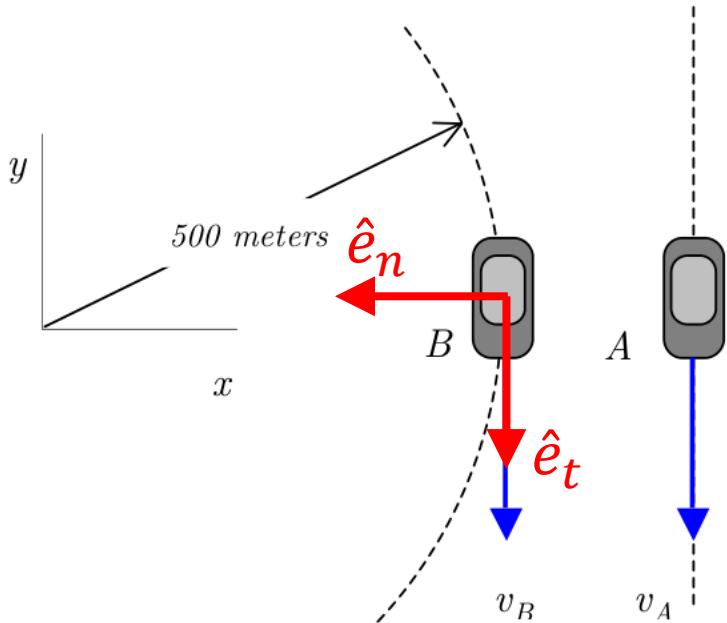
$$\vec{v}_B = v_B \hat{e}_t$$

$$\vec{a}_B = -v_B \hat{e}_t + \frac{v_B^2}{\rho} \hat{e}_n$$

Car A is in rectilinear motion:

$$\vec{v}_A = v_A \hat{e}_t$$

$$\vec{a}_A = \dot{v}_A \hat{e}_t$$



## 2. Example 1.D.1

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**Solution:**

Acceleration of B with respect to A:

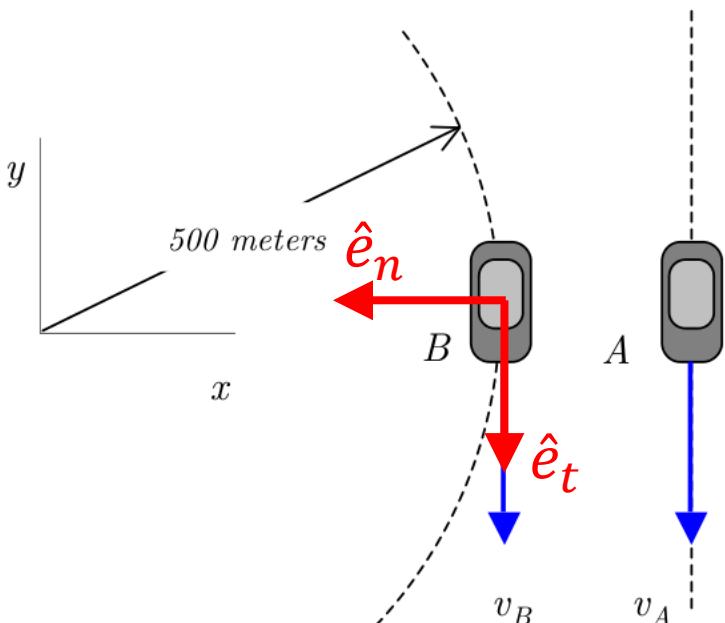
$$\vec{a}_{B/A} = \vec{a}_B - \vec{a}_A \quad (\text{definition})$$

$$\vec{a}_{B/A} = \left( -v_B \hat{e}_t + \frac{v_B^2}{\rho} \hat{e}_n \right) - (\dot{v}_A \hat{e}_t) \quad (\text{plug in } \vec{a}_B \text{ and } \vec{a}_A)$$

$$\vec{a}_{B/A} = (-\dot{v}_B - \dot{v}_A) \hat{e}_t + \frac{v_B^2}{\rho} \hat{e}_n \quad (\text{group components})$$

Substituting the given values:

$$\vec{a}_{B/A} = -20 \hat{e}_t + 5 \hat{e}_n \text{ m/s}^2$$



**NOTE:** website's solution uses  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$ . Answers are equivalent.

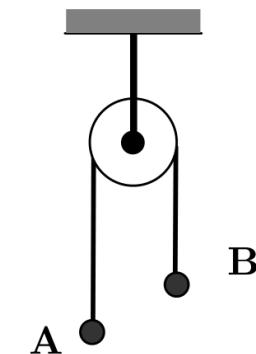
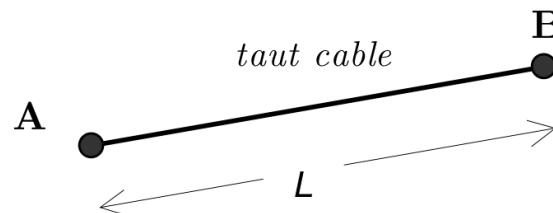
# 3. Constrained Motion

The motion of one point depends on the motion of another point

For example, taut, inextensible cables:

## Solution steps:

1. Define coordinates
2. Write the equation(s) of  $L$
3. Velocity constraint:  $\frac{dL}{dt} = 0$
4. Acceleration constraint:  $\frac{d^2L}{dt^2} = 0$

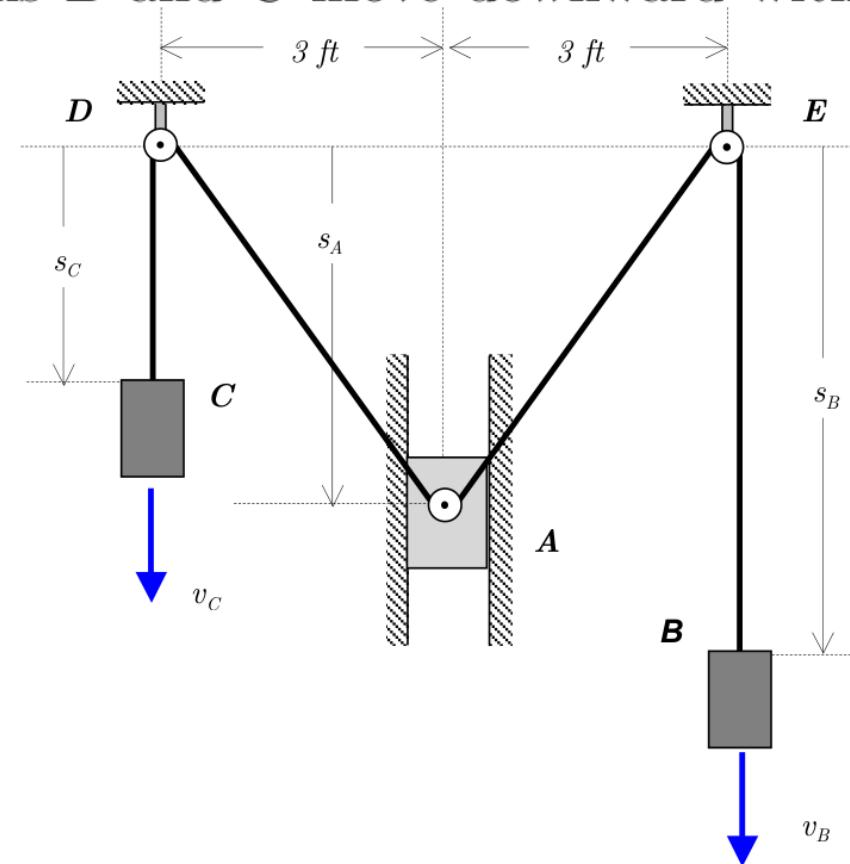


Repeat for each cable/rope in the system

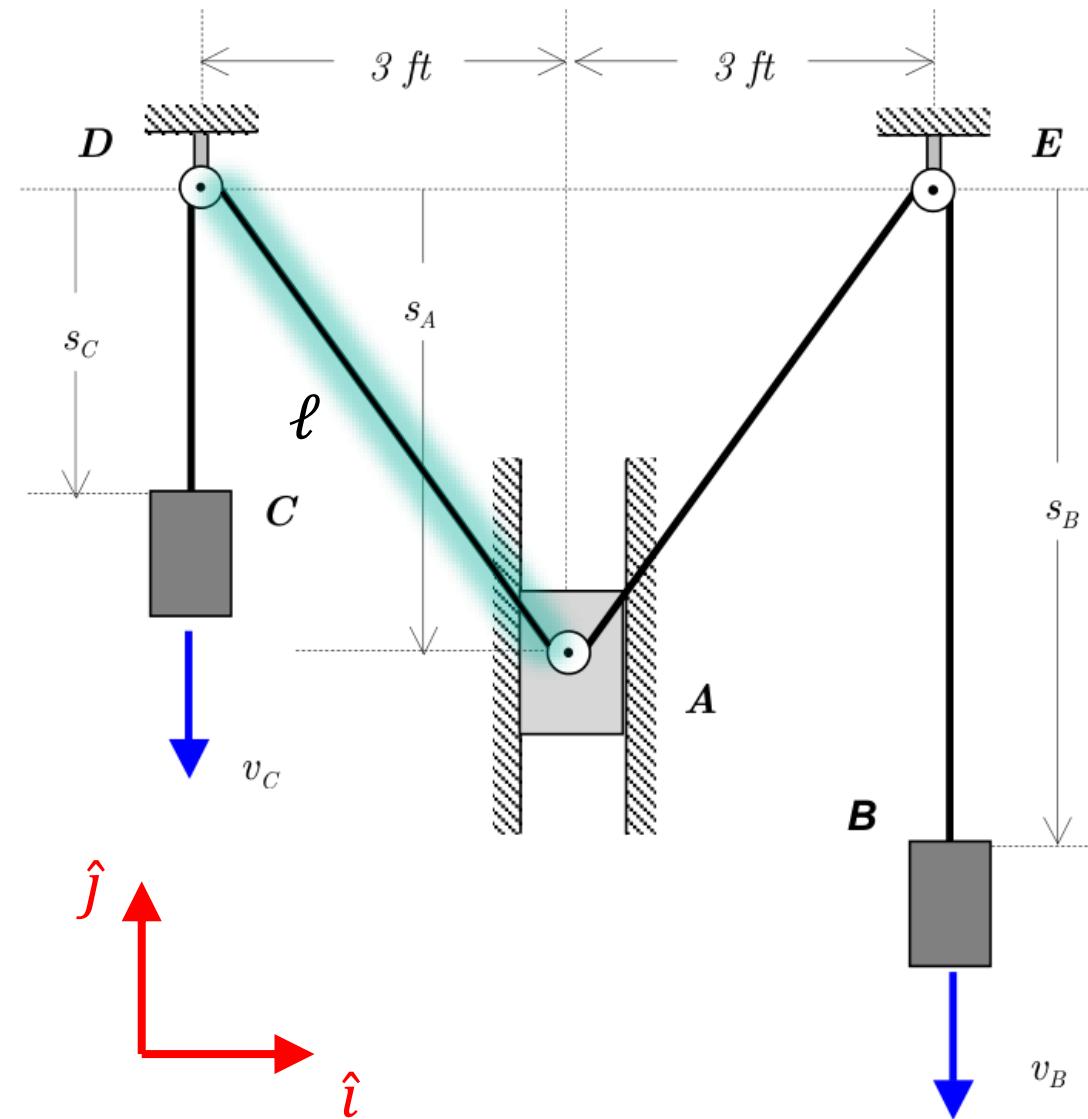
# 4. Example 1.D.6

**Given:** Blocks B and C are connected by a single inextensible cable, with this cable being wrapped around pulleys at D and E. In addition, the cable is wrapped around a pulley attached to block A as shown. Assume the radii of the pulleys to be small. Blocks B and C move downward with speeds of  $v_B = 6 \text{ ft/s}$  and  $v_C = 18 \text{ ft/s}$ , respectively.

**Find:** Determine the velocity of block A when  $s_A = 4 \text{ ft}$ .



# 4. Example 1.D.6



**Given:**  $v_B = 6 \text{ ft/s}$ ,  $v_C = 18 \text{ ft/s}$

**Find:**  $\vec{v}_A$  when  $s_A = 4 \text{ ft}$

**Solution:**

Rope equation:

$$L = 2\ell + s_B + s_C$$

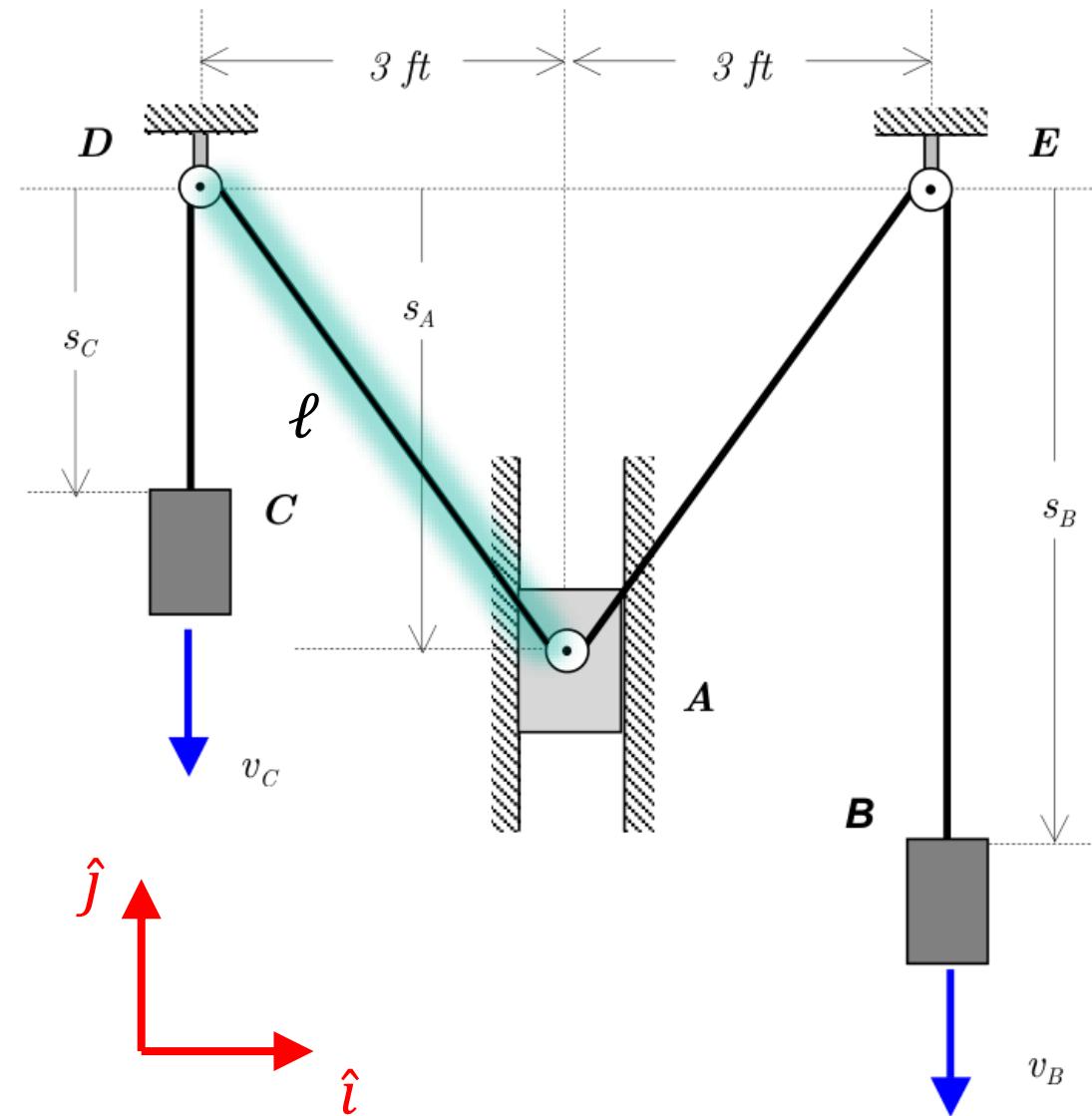
where  $\ell = \sqrt{s_A^2 + 3^2}$  is known.

Velocity constraint:

$$\frac{d}{dt}(2\ell + s_B + s_C) = 0$$

$$\frac{d\ell}{dt} = \frac{d\ell}{ds_A} \frac{ds_A}{dt} = \frac{2s_A}{2\sqrt{s_A^2 + 9}} v_A$$

# 4. Example 1.D.6



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**Solution:**

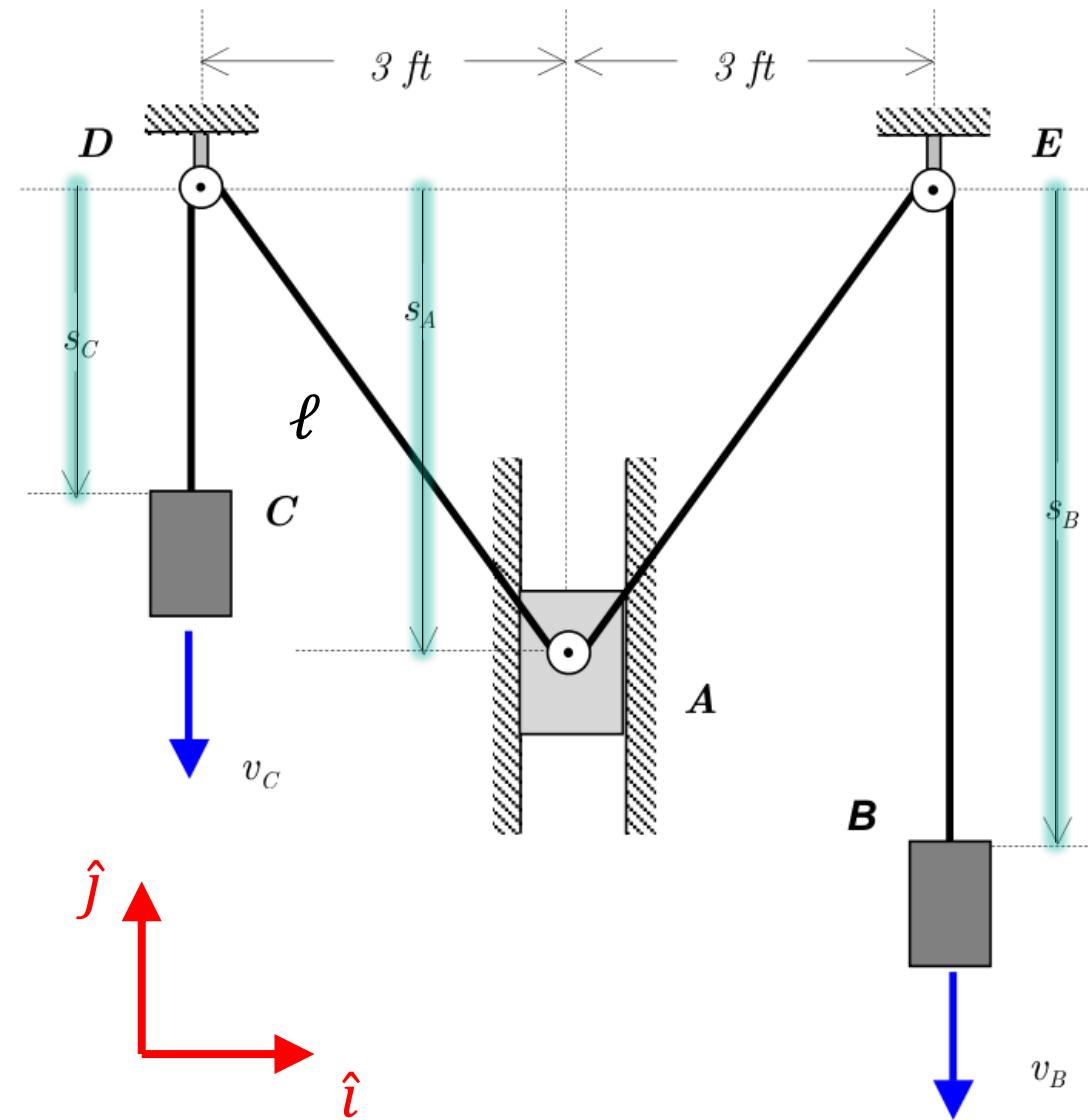
Substitute into the velocity constraint:

$$v_B + v_C + 2 \frac{s_A v_A}{\sqrt{s_A^2 + 9}} = 0$$

Clear for  $v_A$ :

$$v_A = \frac{-v_B - v_C}{2s_A} \sqrt{s_A^2 + 9}$$

# 4. Example 1.D.6



**Given:**  $v_B = 6 \text{ ft/s}$ ,  $v_C = 18 \text{ ft/s}$

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**Solution:**

$$v_A = \frac{-v_B - v_C}{2s_A} \sqrt{s_A^2 + 9}$$

How to decide the direction?

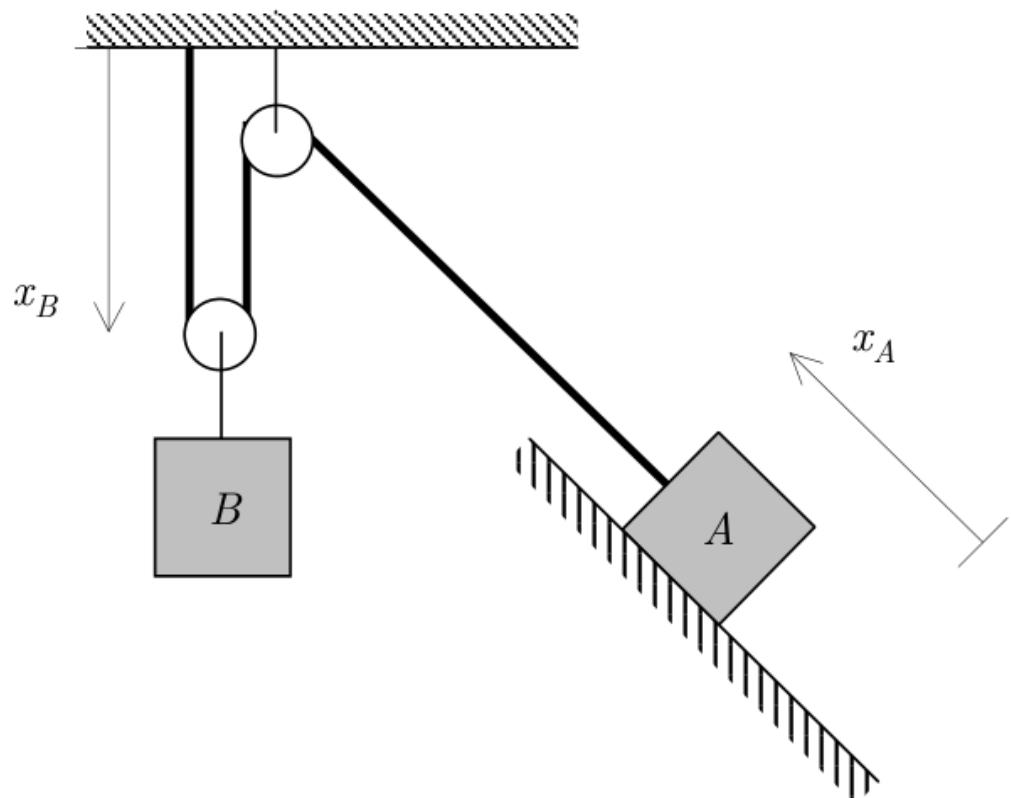
When  $B$  and  $C$  go down **along their respective reference lines** ( $v_B > 0$ ,  $v_C > 0$ ),  $A$  goes up ( $v_A < 0$ ). Thus:

$$\vec{v}_A = \left( \frac{v_C + v_B}{2s_A} \sqrt{s_A^2 + 9} \right) \hat{j}$$

## 4. Example 1.D.4

**Given:** Block A moves with an acceleration of  $\ddot{x}_A = a_A = 0.44 \text{ m/s}^2$

**Find:** Determine the acceleration of block B.



**Solution:**

$$\vec{a} = -\frac{a_A}{2} \hat{j} = -0.22 \hat{j}$$