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ME 274 Lecture 13

Moving Reference Kinematics: 3D Part 1

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Housekeeping/Announcements

***Reminder for Henny to wear a mic during the lecture.

1. Exam 1 is tomorrow!

- Details on course website (<https://www.purdue.edu/freeform/me274/exams-spring-2026/>)
- Recording of review session on course website

2. No lecture on Friday

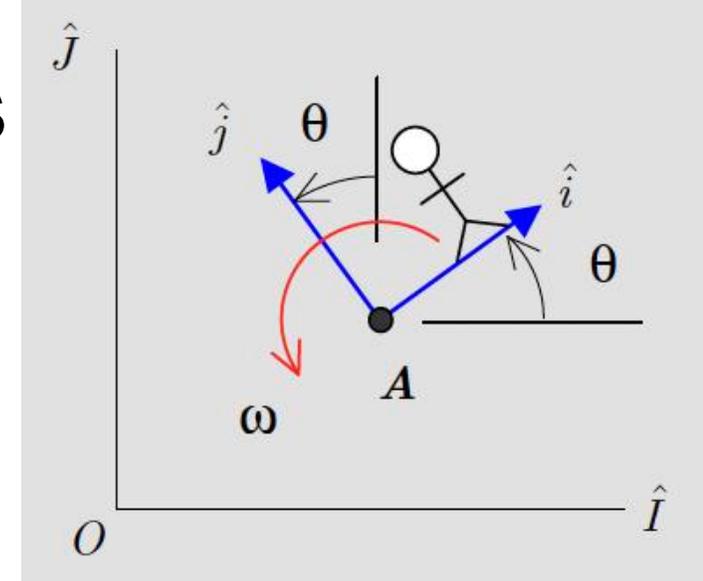
- HW due on Friday

③ Advice on Exam 1

Last Class, Moving Reference Frame Eqns

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

$$\vec{a}_B = \vec{a}_A + (\vec{a}_{B/A})_{rel} + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{B/A} + 2\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{v}_{B/A})_{rel} + \vec{\omega} \times [\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{B/A}]$$



- \vec{v}_A and \vec{v}_B are the velocities seen by a **fixed observer** [XYZ]
- \vec{a}_A and \vec{a}_B are the accelerations seen by **fixed observer** [XYZ]
- $\vec{\omega}$ is angular velocity of the **moving observer** [xyz]
- $\vec{\alpha}$ is angular acceleration of the **moving observer** [xyz]
- $(\vec{v}_{B/A})_{rel}$ is the “velocity of point B as seen by the **moving observer** at A”
- $(\vec{a}_{B/A})_{rel}$ is the “acceleration of point B as seen by the **moving observer** at A”
- $2\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{v}_{B/A})_{rel}$ is known as the “**Coriolis**” component of acceleration.
 - Arises when observer has a non-zero angular velocity

How does observer move?

What does the observer see?

3D Rotating Reference Frames

- For a 3D Rotating Reference Frame system/problem, we will use the same Moving Reference Frame equations as before, except we now have a 'k' term.
 - For derivation, look at pg. 158-159.

- Angular Velocity, $\vec{\omega}$** in 3D motion will usually be made up of several components (omega's). With each component being about a different axis, as shown in the figure.

$$\vec{\omega} = \vec{\omega}_1 + \vec{\omega}_2 + \vec{\omega}_3 + \dots$$

- For **Angular Acceleration, $\vec{\alpha}$** it is important to note distinction between a **Fixed axis** and a **rotating/moving** axis.

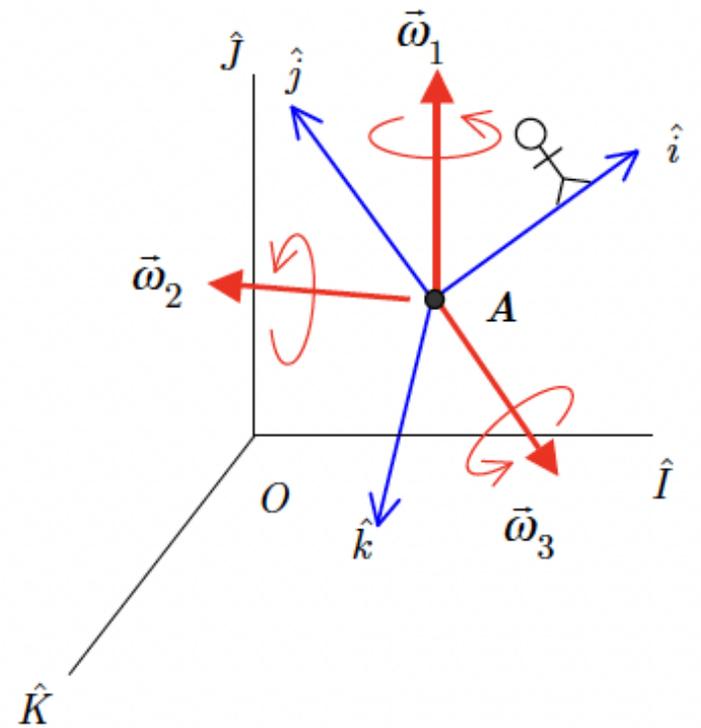
- Why is this important?
 - Derivative of velocity -> acceleration.
 - When we derive the angular acceleration, we have to take derivative of i, j, and k unit vectors (product rule).
 - For fixed axes, the derivative of I, J, and K will be equal to zero.

- Recalling derivation in pg. 144. **For a rotating axis we see that:**
 - Straightforward to remember:**

$$\frac{d\hat{i}}{dt} = \omega \times \hat{i}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{j}}{dt} = \omega \times \hat{j}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{k}}{dt} = \omega \times \hat{k}$$

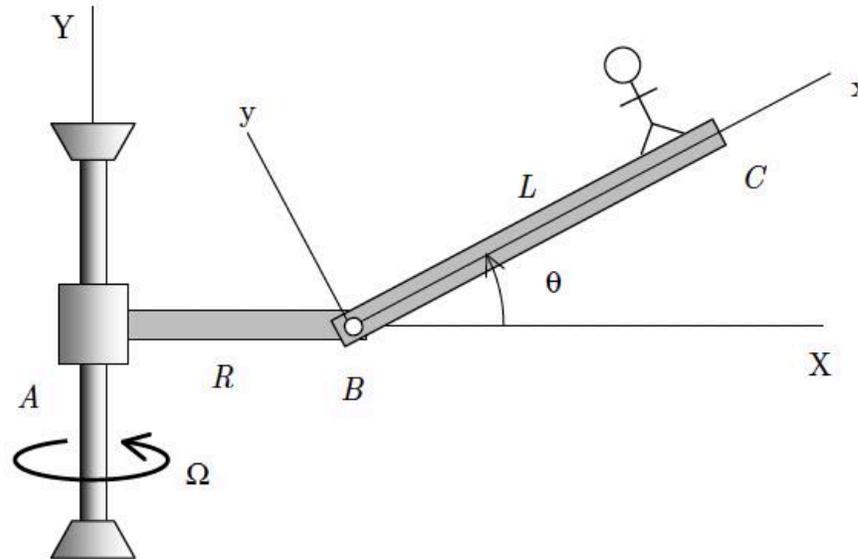


Example 3.B.1

Given: Bar BC is pinned at end B to bar AB, which in turn rotates about a fixed vertical axis at a constant rate of $\Omega = 5$ rad/s. The angle θ is increasing at a constant rate of $\dot{\theta} = 4$ rad/s. The observer and the xyz axes are attached to arm BC, and the XYZ axes are fixed.

Find: Determine:

- The angular velocity of the observer when $\theta = 90^\circ$; and
- The angular acceleration of the observer when $\theta = 90^\circ$.

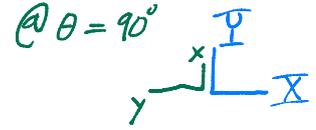


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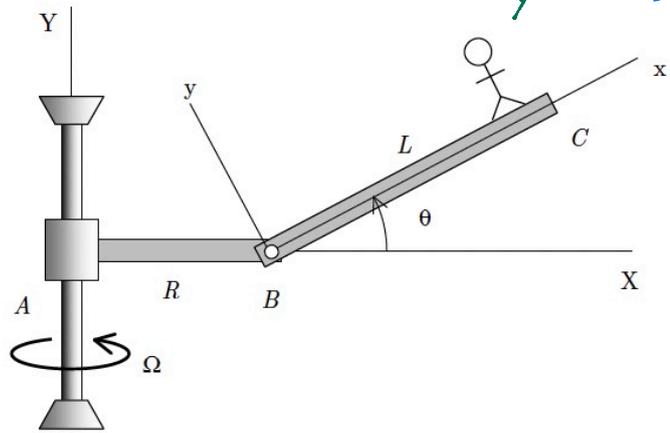
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Find: Determine:

- The angular velocity of the observer when $\theta = 90^\circ$; and $\omega?$
- The angular acceleration of the observer when $\theta = 90^\circ$. $\alpha?$



$\Omega = 5 \text{ rad/s}$ $\dot{\Omega} = 0$
 $\theta = 90^\circ$ $\dot{\theta} = 4 \text{ rad/s}$ $\ddot{\theta} = 0$



Angular velocity:

Fixed \nearrow moves \nwarrow

$$\vec{\omega} = \Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}$$

$$= \Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}$$

Angular Acceleration:

prod rule \nearrow fixed \nwarrow prod. rule

$$\vec{\alpha} = \dot{\Omega} \hat{j} + \Omega \dot{\hat{j}} + \dot{\dot{\theta}} \hat{k} + \dot{\theta} \dot{\hat{k}}$$

given \nwarrow

$$= \dot{\theta} \dot{\hat{k}}$$

$$= \dot{\theta} (\vec{\omega} \times \hat{k})$$

$\hat{k}^{\cdot} = \vec{\omega} \times \hat{k}$

$$= \dot{\theta} [(\Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}) \times \hat{k}]$$

$\nwarrow \vec{\omega}$

$$= \dot{\theta} \Omega (\hat{j} \times \hat{k})$$

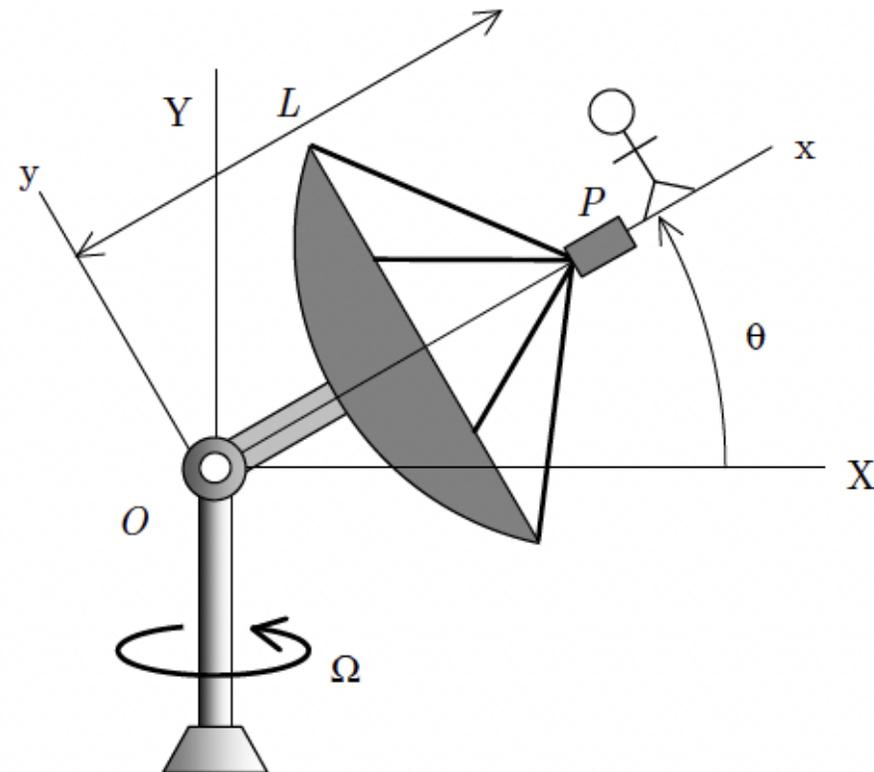
$$= \dot{\theta} \Omega \hat{i}$$

Example 3.B.2

Given: The radar antenna is rotating about a fixed vertical axis at a constant rate of $\Omega = 0.2$ rad/s. The angle θ is increasing at a constant rate of $\dot{\theta} = 0.5$ rad/s. The observer and the xyz axes are attached to the antenna dish, with the XYZ axes being fixed.

Find: Determine:

- The angular velocity of the observer when $\theta = 36.87^\circ$; and
- The angular acceleration of the observer when $\theta = 36.87^\circ$.



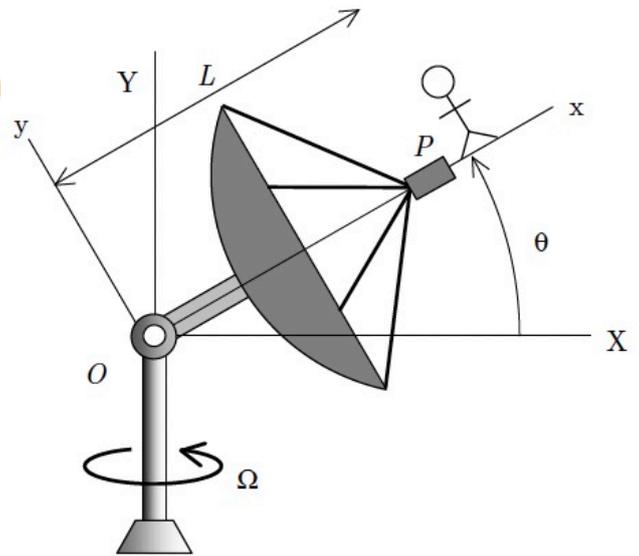
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Find: Determine:

- (a) The angular velocity of the observer when $\theta = 36.87^\circ$; and $\omega_0?$ @ 36.87°
 (b) The angular acceleration of the observer when $\theta = 36.87^\circ$. $\alpha?$ @ 36.87°

$\Omega = 0.2 \text{ rad/s} \quad \dot{\Omega} = 0$
 $\theta = 36.87^\circ \quad \dot{\theta} = 0.5 \text{ rad/s} \quad \ddot{\theta} = 0$



① Angular Velocity Fixed
 $\vec{\omega} = \Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}$ moves
 $= \Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}$

② Angular Acceleration

prod. rule prod. rule
 $\vec{\alpha} = \cancel{\dot{\Omega} \hat{j}} + \Omega \dot{\hat{j}} + \cancel{\ddot{\theta} \hat{k}} + \dot{\theta} \dot{\hat{k}}$
 $= \dot{\theta} (\vec{\omega} \times \hat{k})$
 $= \dot{\theta} [(\Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}) \times \hat{k}]$
 $= \dot{\theta} \Omega (\hat{j} \times \hat{k})$
 $= \dot{\theta} \Omega \hat{i}$

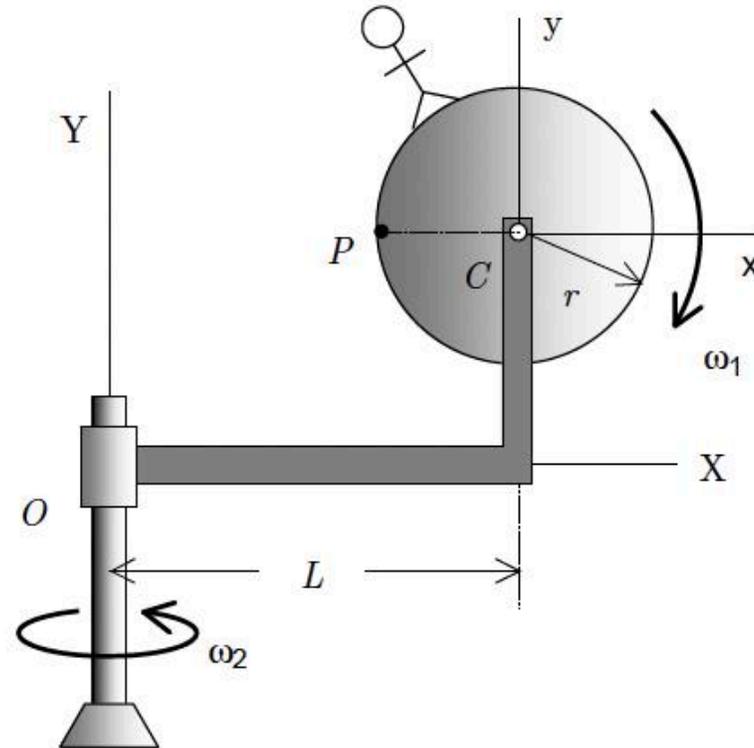
$\dot{\hat{k}} = \vec{\omega} \times \hat{k}$

Example 3.B.3

Given: A disk rotates with a constant rate of $\omega_1 = 20$ rad/s with respect to the arm OC as the arm OC rotates about a fixed vertical axis with a constant rate of $\omega_2 = 5$ rad/s. The observer and the xyz axes are attached to the disk, while the XYZ axes are fixed. At this instant, the XYZ and xyz axes are aligned.

Find: Determine:

- The angular velocity of the observer at the instant shown; and
- The angular acceleration of the observer at the instant shown.



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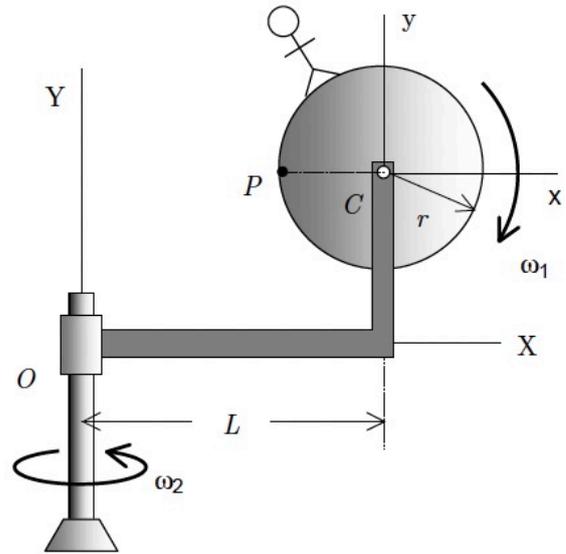
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- (a) The angular velocity of the observer at the instant shown; and $\omega ?$
 (b) The angular acceleration of the observer at the instant shown. $\alpha ?$

$$\omega_1 = 20 \text{ rad/s} \quad \dot{\omega}_1 = 0$$

$$\omega_2 = 5 \text{ rad/s} \quad \dot{\omega}_2 = 5 \text{ rad/s}$$



①
Angular Velocity

$$\vec{\omega} = \omega_2 \hat{j} - \omega_1 \hat{k}$$

$$= \omega_2 \hat{j} - \omega_1 \hat{k}$$

②
Angular Acceleration

$$\vec{\alpha} = \dot{\omega}_2 \hat{j} + \omega_2 \dot{\hat{j}} - \dot{\omega}_1 \hat{k} - \omega_1 \dot{\hat{k}}$$

fixed Axis

$$= -\omega_1 (\vec{\omega} \times \hat{k})$$

$$= -\omega_1 [(\omega_2 \hat{j} - \omega_1 \hat{k}) \times \hat{k}]$$

$$= -\omega_1 \omega_2 (\hat{j} \times \hat{k})$$

$$= -\omega_1 \omega_2 \hat{i}$$

$$\dot{\hat{k}} = \vec{\omega} \times \hat{k}$$

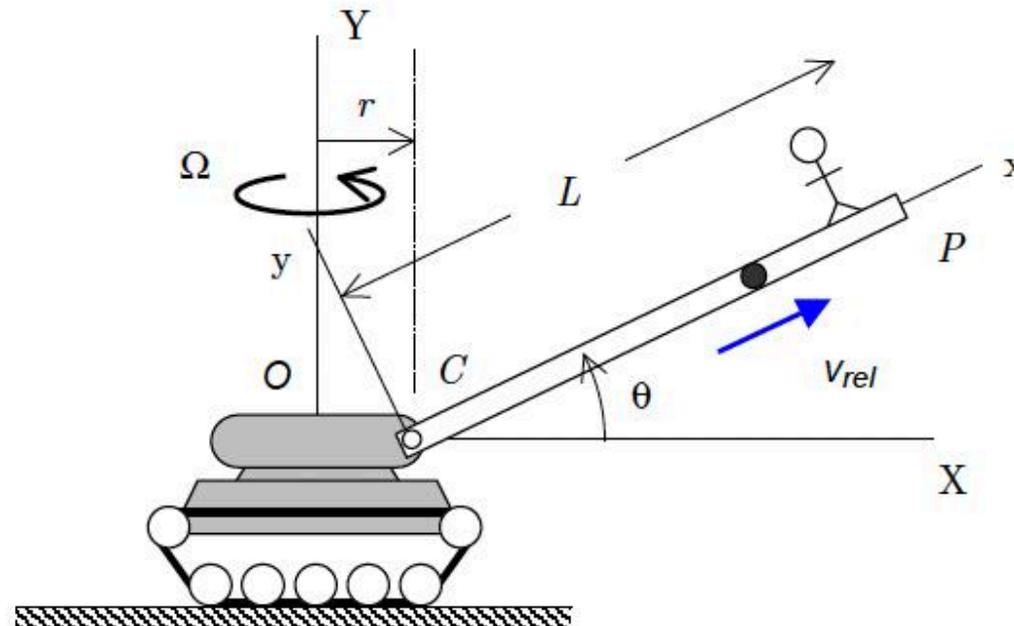
consistent vector set
 IJK ...

Example 3.B.4

Given: The turret on a tank is rotating about a fixed vertical axis at a constant rate of $\Omega = 0.4$ rad/s. The barrel is being raised at a constant rate of $\dot{\theta} = 0.4$ rad/s. A cannon shell is fired with a constant muzzle speed of $v_{rel} = 200$ ft/s relative to the barrel. The observer and the xyz axes are attached to the barrel, while the XYZ axes are fixed. Here, $r = 3$ ft and $L = 15$ ft.

Find:

- The angular velocity of the barrel at the instant shown;
- The angular acceleration of the barrel at the instant shown; and
- The acceleration of the shell as it leaves the barrel at P.



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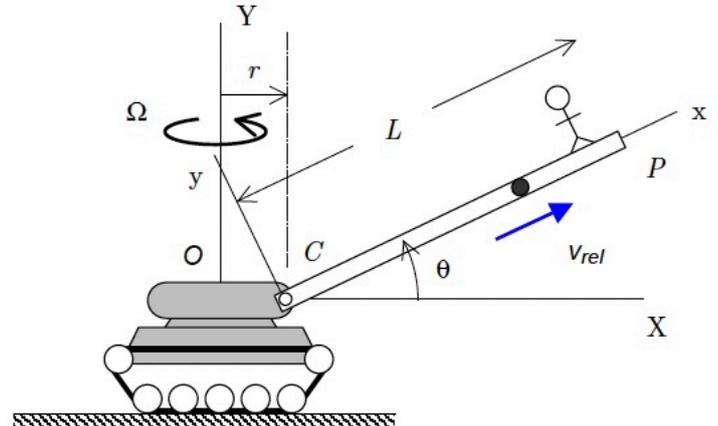
Find:

- (a) (a) The angular velocity of the barrel at the instant shown; $\vec{\omega}$?
 (b) (b) The angular acceleration of the barrel at the instant shown; and $\vec{\alpha}$?
 (c) (c) The acceleration of the shell as it leaves the barrel at P. a_p ?

$$\Omega = 0.4 \text{ rad/s} \quad \dot{\Omega} = 0$$

$$\dot{\theta} = 0.4 \text{ rad/s} \quad \ddot{\theta} = 0$$

$$v_{rel} = 200 \text{ ft/s}; \quad r = 3 \text{ ft}; \quad L = 15 \text{ ft}$$



① Angular Velocity

(a)
$$\vec{\omega} = \Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}$$

$$= \Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}$$

② Angular Acceleration

fixed axis given

$$\vec{\alpha} = \dot{\Omega} \hat{j} + \dot{\Omega} \dot{\hat{j}} + \ddot{\theta} \hat{k} + \ddot{\theta} \hat{k}$$

$$= \dot{\theta} \hat{k} = \dot{\theta} (\vec{\omega} \times \hat{k})$$

$$= \dot{\theta} [(\Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}) \times \hat{k}]$$

$$= \dot{\theta} \Omega (\hat{j} \times \hat{k})$$

$$= \dot{\theta} \Omega \hat{i}$$
consistent vector set IJK...

③ Points CP, Different Rigid Bodies

$$\vec{a}_p = \vec{a}_c + (\vec{a}_{p/c})_{rel} + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{p/c} + 2\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{v}_{p/c})_{rel} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{p/c})$$

④ ASIDE: Get \vec{a}_c . Link OC, Same Rigid Body

$$\vec{a}_c = \vec{a}_o + \vec{\alpha}_{co} \times \vec{r}_{c/o} + \vec{\omega}_{co} \times (\vec{\omega}_{co} \times \vec{r}_{c/o}) + \omega \times (\omega \times \vec{r}_{p/c})$$

$$\vec{a}_c = \vec{a}_o + \vec{\alpha}_{co} \times \vec{r}_{c/o} + \vec{\omega}_{co} \times (\vec{\omega}_{co} \times \vec{r}_{c/o})$$

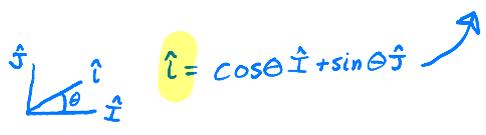
$$= \Omega \hat{j} \times (\Omega \hat{j} \times r \hat{i})$$

$$= -\Omega^2 r \hat{i}$$

⑤ Plug a_c & put in same axes.

$(\vec{a}_{p/c})_{rel} = \vec{0} \quad \vec{r}_{p/c} = L \hat{i} \quad (\vec{v}_{p/c})_{rel} = v_{rel} \hat{i}$

$$\vec{a}_p = -\Omega^2 r \hat{i} + \dot{\theta} \Omega \hat{i} \times L \hat{i} + 2(\Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}) \times v_{rel} \hat{i} + (\Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}) \times [(\Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}) \times L \hat{i}]$$



$$\vec{a}_p = -\Omega^2 r \hat{i} + \dot{\theta} \Omega \hat{i} \times L (\cos \theta \hat{i} + \sin \theta \hat{j}) + 2(\Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}) \times v_{rel} (\cos \theta \hat{i} + \sin \theta \hat{j}) + (\Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}) \times [(\Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}) \times L (\cos \theta \hat{i} + \sin \theta \hat{j})]$$

$$= -\Omega^2 r \hat{i} + \dot{\theta} \Omega L \sin \theta \hat{k} - 2\Omega v_{rel} \cos \theta \hat{k} + 2\dot{\theta} v_{rel} \cos \theta \hat{j} - 2\dot{\theta} v_{rel} \sin \theta \hat{i} + (\Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}) \times (-\Omega L \cos \theta \hat{k} + \dot{\theta} L \cos \theta \hat{j} - \dot{\theta} L \sin \theta \hat{i})$$

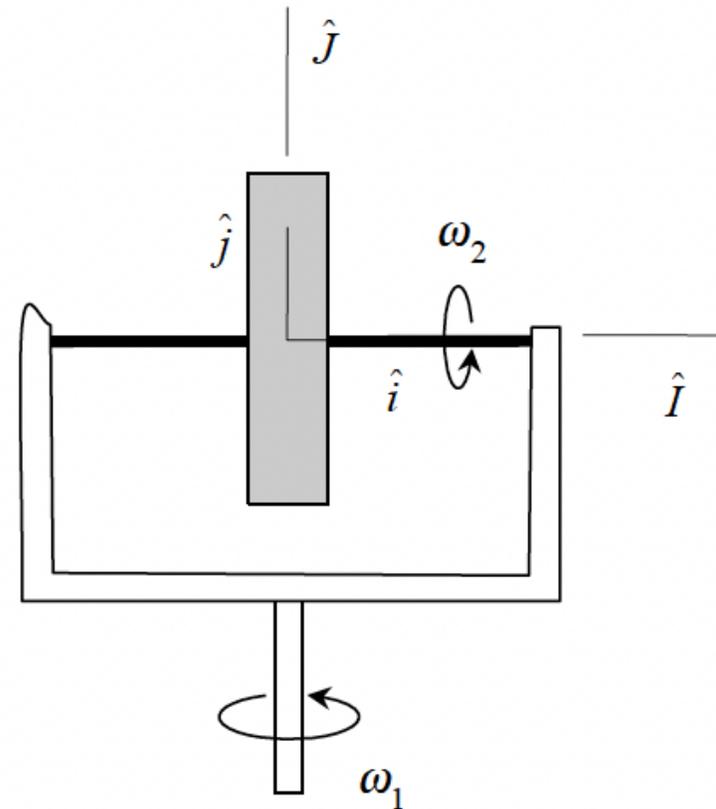
(c)
$$= -\Omega^2 r \hat{i} + \dot{\theta} \Omega L \sin \theta \hat{k} - 2\Omega v_{rel} \cos \theta \hat{k} + 2\dot{\theta} v_{rel} \cos \theta \hat{j} - 2\dot{\theta} v_{rel} \sin \theta \hat{i} - \Omega^2 L \cos \theta \hat{i} + \Omega \dot{\theta} L \sin \theta \hat{k} - \dot{\theta}^2 L \cos \theta \hat{i} - \dot{\theta}^2 L \sin \theta \hat{j}$$

Example 3.B.5

Given: The disk of a gyroscope rotates about its own axis at a constant rate of $\omega_2 = 600$ rev/min. The gimbal support is rotating at a constant rate of $\omega_1 = 10$ rad/s about a fixed vertical axis. The observer and the xyz axes are attached to the disk. The XYZ axes are fixed in space.

Find: Determine:

- (a) The angular velocity of the observer at the instant shown; and
- (b) The angular acceleration of the observer at the instant shown.



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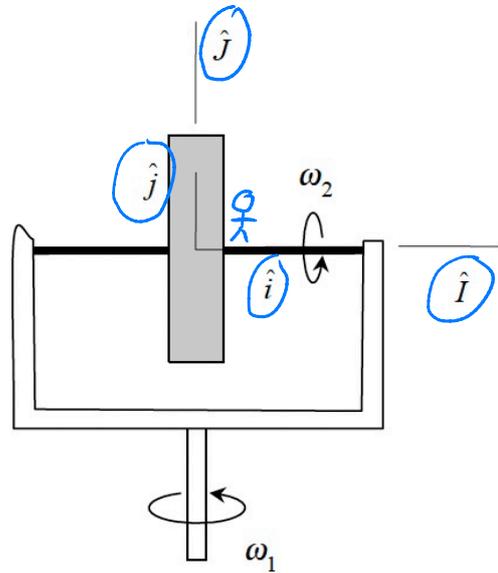
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 (b) The angular acceleration of the observer at the instant shown.

$\vec{\omega}?$
 $\vec{\alpha}?$

$$\omega_1 = 10 \text{ rad/s} \quad \dot{\omega}_1 = 0$$

$$\omega_2 = 600 \text{ rev/min} \quad \dot{\omega}_2 = 0$$



Angular Velocity

$$\vec{\omega} = \omega_1 \hat{j} + \omega_2 \hat{i}$$

$$= \omega_1 \hat{j} + \omega_2 \hat{i}$$

Angular Acceleration:

$$\vec{\alpha} = \dot{\omega}_1 \hat{j} + \omega_1 \dot{\hat{j}} + \dot{\omega}_2 \hat{i} + \omega_2 \dot{\hat{i}}$$

$$= \omega_2 (\vec{\omega} \times \hat{i})$$

$$= \omega_2 [(\omega_1 \hat{j} + \omega_2 \hat{i}) \times \hat{i}]$$

$$= \omega_2 \omega_1 (\hat{j} \times \hat{i})$$

$$= -\omega_1 \omega_2 \hat{k}$$

$$\dot{\hat{i}} = \vec{\omega} \times \hat{i}$$

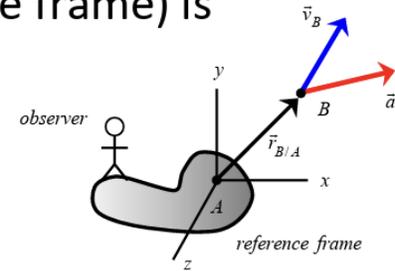
consistent vector set
 $\hat{I} \hat{J} \hat{K} \dots$

Summary: 3D Moving Reference Frame Kinematics 1

PROBLEM: A person attached to a moving body (reference frame) is observing the motion of point B.

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

$$\vec{a}_B = \vec{a}_A + (\vec{a}_{B/A})_{rel} + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{B/A} + 2\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{v}_{B/A})_{rel} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{B/A})$$



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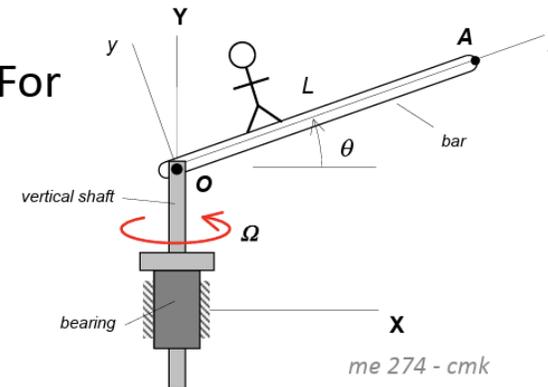
where:

- $\vec{\omega}$ and $\vec{\alpha}$ are the angular velocity/acceleration of the observer (no exceptions).
- $(\vec{v}_{B/A})_{rel}$ and $(\vec{a}_{B/A})_{rel}$ are the velocity/acceleration of B as seen by the observer.
- A is ANY point on the same reference frame as the observer.
- Generally, you are free to choose your observer.

QUESTION: How is this different from the 2D case? For observer on arm OA:

$$\vec{\omega} = \Omega \hat{j} + \dot{\theta} \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{\alpha} = \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} = \dot{\Omega} \hat{j} + \Omega \dot{\hat{j}} + \ddot{\theta} \hat{k} + \dot{\theta} \dot{\hat{k}} = \dot{\Omega} \hat{j} + \ddot{\theta} \hat{k} + \dot{\theta} (\vec{\omega} \times \hat{k})$$



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