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ME 274 Lecture 27

Rigid body kinetics: Newton/Euler – Part 1

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Housekeeping/Announcements

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

1. HW 26 (4.U and 4.V) due today!!

2. Quiz 5 due tonight on gradescope

3. Office hours are changing to ME2008B...

- Second floor of renovated side of ME.

4. Exam 2 Information:

- Thursday, April 2, 8:00-9:30 PM
- BHEE129
- Coverage: Lectures 11-26 (up through angular impulse/momentum for particles)

5. Exam 2 Review sessions both videos to be posted on website

- Pi Tau Sigma: Tuesday, March 31, 6:30-7:30 PM, WTHR 104 (WL in-person and Indy online)
- ME 274 Instructor, CK: Wednesday, April 1, 7:00 PM, live on Zoom for both WL and Indy:
 - <https://purdue.edu.zoom.us/j/94496659802?pwd=VMHo3NfyaHO3HbbmmLForgikls3PL7.1>

Chapter 5: Planar Rigid Body Kinetics

- In today's lecture, we will introduce and develop the set of Newton-Euler (N/E) Equations used when dealing with planar motion of rigid bodies

- Today's Equations

$$\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}_G$$

$$\sum \vec{M}_A = I_A \vec{\alpha} + m\vec{r}_{G/A} \times \vec{a}_A$$

Kinetics Table

| Method | Body model | Fundamental equations |
|--|---|---|
| Newton-Euler (relating forces to accelerations) | particle | $\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}$ |
| | rigid body (G = c.m. and A = any point on body) | $\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}_G$ $\sum \vec{M}_A = I_A \vec{\alpha} + m\vec{r}_{G/A} \times \vec{a}_A$ |
| Work-energy (relating change in speed to change in position) | particle | $T_1 + V_1 + U_{1 \rightarrow 2}^{(nc)} = T_2 + V_2$ where $T = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ |
| | rigid body (G = c.m. and A = any point on body) | $T_1 + V_1 + U_{1 \rightarrow 2}^{(nc)} = T_2 + V_2$ where $T = \frac{1}{2}mv_A^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_A\omega^2 + m\vec{v}_A \cdot (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{G/A})$ |
| Linear impulse-momentum (relating change in velocity to change in time) | particle | $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \sum \vec{F} dt = m\vec{v}_2 - m\vec{v}_1$ |
| | rigid body (G = c.m.) | $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \sum \vec{F} dt = m\vec{v}_{G2} - m\vec{v}_{G1}$ |
| Angular impulse-momentum (relating change in angular velocity to change in time) | particle (O = fixed point) | $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \sum \vec{M}_O dt = \vec{H}_{O2} - \vec{H}_{O1}$ where $\vec{H}_O = m\vec{r}_{P/O} \times \vec{v}_P$ |
| | rigid body (A = fixed point or c.m.) | $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \sum \vec{M}_A dt = \vec{H}_{A2} - \vec{H}_{A1}$ where $\vec{H}_A = I_A \vec{\omega}$ |

Background for deriving the N/E Rigid Body Equation

1. Earlier in the course we used the following equations for the kinetics of a **single particle**

- (1) Newton's Second Law and (2) angular momentum equation.

$$(1) \quad \vec{F}_i = m_i \vec{a}_i$$

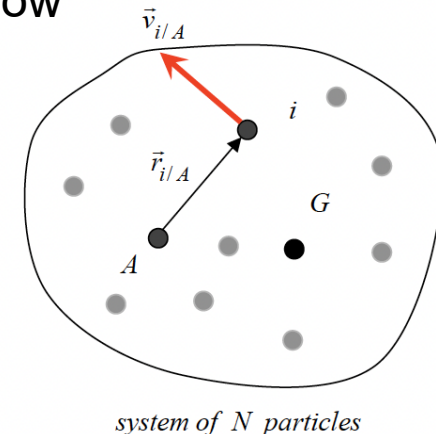
$$(2) \quad \vec{M}_{O_i} = \frac{d}{dt} [\vec{r}_{i/O} \times (m_i \vec{v}_i)] \quad ; \quad O \text{ is a FIXED point}$$

2. We also saw that for a **system of particles** the above equations become the following below

- Where G is **center of mass** of the system and A is an **arbitrary** point in the system.

$$(3) \quad \left(\sum \vec{F} \right)_{ext} = m \vec{a}_G$$

$$(4) \quad \left(\sum \vec{M}_A \right)_{ext} = \frac{d}{dt} \sum_i [\vec{r}_{i/A} \times (m_i \vec{v}_{i/A})] + \vec{r}_{G/A} \times (m \vec{v}_A)$$



3. When extending this thought process to a continuous rigid body, we can replace the

summation for an integral: $\sum_i (\bullet) m_i \rightarrow \int_{vol} (\bullet) dm$

Derivation of N/E Rigid Body Equation - Summary

1. Starting with the equations from previous slide for a **system of particles**:

$$(3) \left(\sum \vec{F} \right)_{ext} = m \vec{a}_G$$

$$(4) \left(\sum \vec{M}_A \right)_{ext} = \frac{d}{dt} \sum_i [\vec{r}_{i/A} \times (m_i \vec{v}_{i/A})] + \vec{r}_{G/A} \times (m \vec{v}_A)$$

2. We apply two things to get equivalent equations for a rigid body...

a. Enforce a **rigid connection** between all points in the system: $\vec{v}_{i/A} = \vec{v}_i - \vec{v}_A = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{i/A}$

b. Envision a rigid body as an **infinite set of particles of infinitesimal size**: $\sum_i (\bullet) m_i \rightarrow \int_{vol} (\bullet) dm$

3. Newton's second law (3) **remains similar**.

4. Some math (p. 296-297) with **AIM Equation (4)** and we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum \vec{M}_A \right)_{ext} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left[\left(\sum m_i |\vec{r}_{i/A}|^2 \right) \vec{\omega} \right] + \vec{r}_{G/A} \times (m \vec{a}_A) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} [I_A \vec{\omega}] + \vec{r}_{G/A} \times (m \vec{a}_A) \\ &= \boxed{I_A \vec{\alpha} + \vec{r}_{G/A} \times (m \vec{a}_A)} \end{aligned}$$

5. Where:
$$I_A = \sum m_i |\vec{r}_{i/A}|^2 \rightarrow \int r^2 dm$$

- I is the **mass moment of inertia of a rigid body**...
- will speak more about in next lecture.

3 Special Forms of the Euler's Equation where

$$\vec{r}_{G/A} \times (m\vec{a}_A) = 0$$

$$\left(\sum \vec{M}_A \right)_{ext} = I_A \vec{\alpha} + \vec{r}_{G/A} \times (m\vec{a}_A)$$

1. If you choose A to be the **center of mass, G**. $\vec{r}_{G/A} = \vec{0}$.

$$\sum \vec{M}_G = I_G \vec{\alpha}$$

2. If you choose A to be a **fixed point on the body, O**. $\vec{a}_O = \vec{0}$.

$$\sum \vec{M}_O = I_O \vec{\alpha}$$

3. If you choose a point A which has an acceleration vector that is **parallel to** $\vec{r}_{G/A}$. $\vec{r}_{G/A} \times \vec{a}_A = \vec{0}$.

$$\sum \vec{M}_A = I_A \vec{\alpha}$$

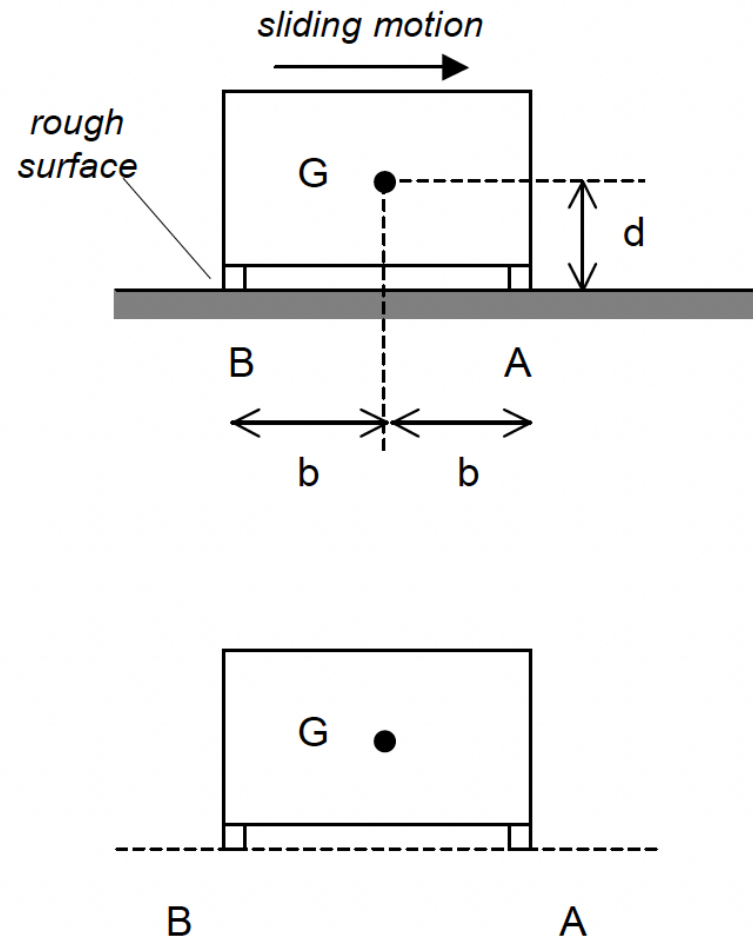
Aside/Note: You are free to choose any point A on the body you want. **But remember you must be consistent with it**, in your Euler's Equation.

- This will show up more whenever we have to use actual equations for I, instead of making it 0.

Example 5.A.1

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Find: Find the reactions at contact points A and B on the crate.



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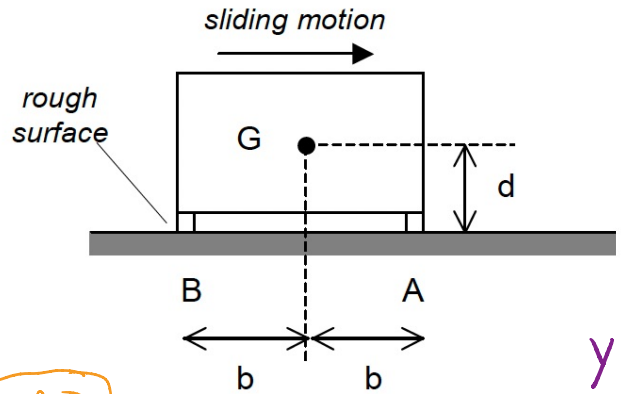
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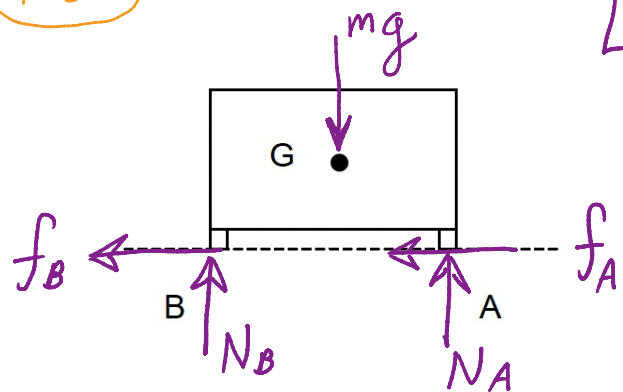
f_A & f_B ?



① Method: Newton/Euler bc look @ instant

① FBD

y
x



Kinetics

② Sum of forces x

$$\sum F_x = ma_{Gx}$$

$$\Rightarrow -f_B - f_A = ma_{Gx} \quad (1)$$

③ Sum of forces y

$$\sum F_y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N_B + N_A - mg = 0 \quad (2)$$

④ Moment about G, no rotation

$$\Rightarrow \sum M_G = I_A \alpha = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N_A b - N_B b - f_B d - f_A d = 0 \quad (3)$$

4.5 Kinematics

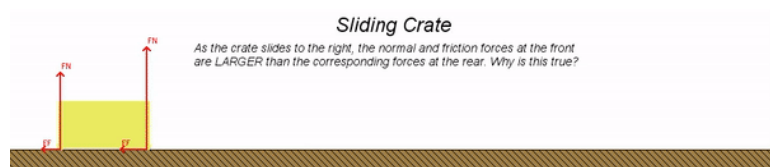
$$\alpha = 0 \text{ (no tipping)}$$

⑤ friction

$$f_A = \mu_k N_A \quad (4)$$

$$f_B = \mu_k N_B \quad (5)$$

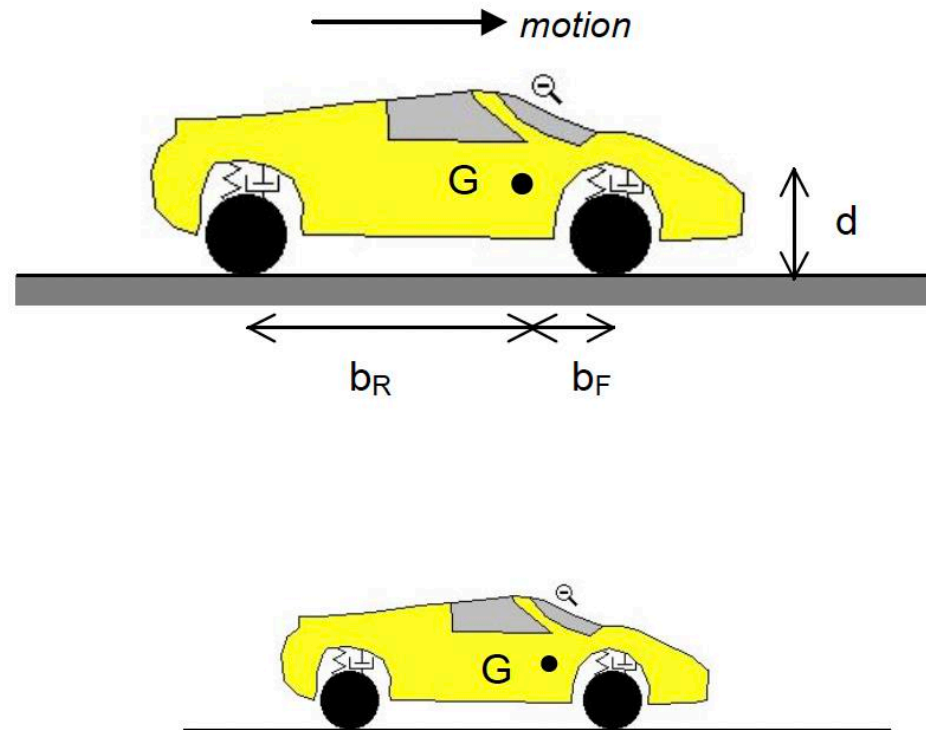
⑥ Solve 5 eqns 5 unkns



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Find: Why does this phenomenon occur?

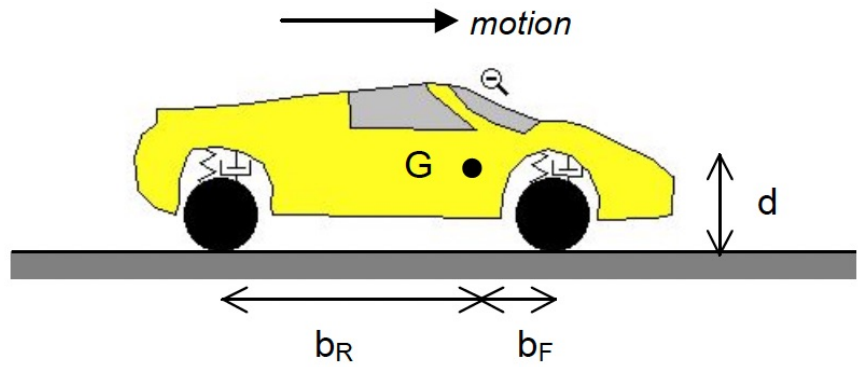


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(2) x-dir

$$\sum F_x = ma_x$$

$$\Rightarrow -f_R - f_F = ma_x \quad (1)$$

(3) y-dir

$$\sum F_y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N_R + N_F - mg = 0 \quad (2)$$

(4) Moment @ G. No rot.

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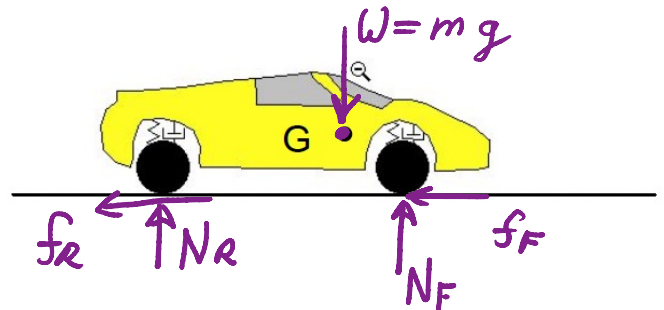
$$\Rightarrow N_F b_F - N_R b_R - f_R d - f_F d = 0 \quad (3)$$

(5) friction

$$f_R = \mu_k N_R \quad (4)$$

$$f_F = \mu_k N_F \quad (5)$$

(1) FBD



(6) Solve

$$(3) \Rightarrow N_F b_F - N_R b_R - \mu_k N_F d - \mu_k N_R d = 0$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_R = mg - N_F$$

$$\Rightarrow N_F b_F - (mg - N_F) b_R - \mu_k N_F d - \mu_k (mg - N_F) d = 0 \quad ; \text{ Plug in (2) in (3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow N_F b_F - mg b_R + N_F b_R - \mu_k N_F d - \mu_k mg d + \mu_k N_F d = 0$$

(7) Solve for Front

$$N_F = \frac{mg(b_R + \mu_k d)}{b_F + b_R - \mu_k d + \mu_k d}$$

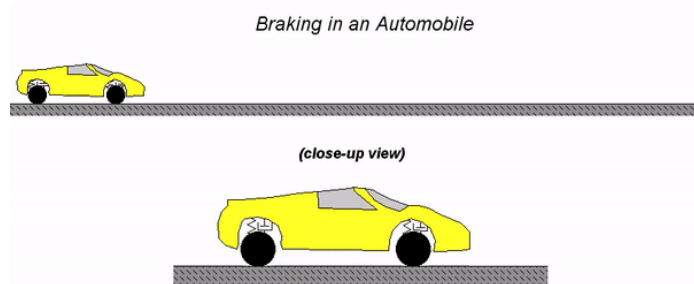
$$= \frac{mg(b_R + \mu_k d)}{b_F + b_R}$$

(8) Solve for Rear

$$N_R = mg - N_F$$

$$= mg - \frac{mg(b_R + \mu_k d)}{b_F + b_R}$$

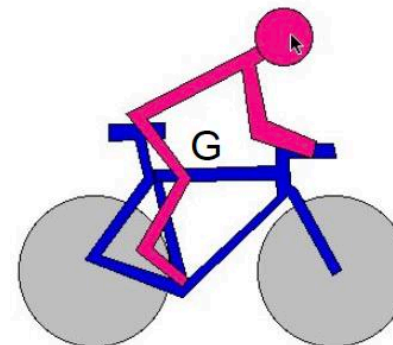
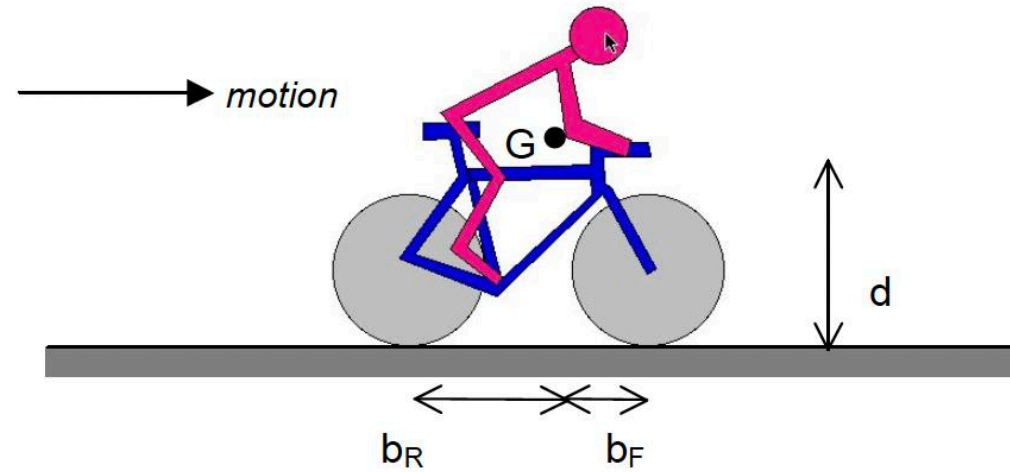
(9) if # are plug-in. $N_R < N_F \therefore$ nose dive



Example 5.A.3

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Find: Comment on the possible differences between rear-wheel and front-wheel braking (as viewed from a dynamics perspective)?



Example 5.A.3

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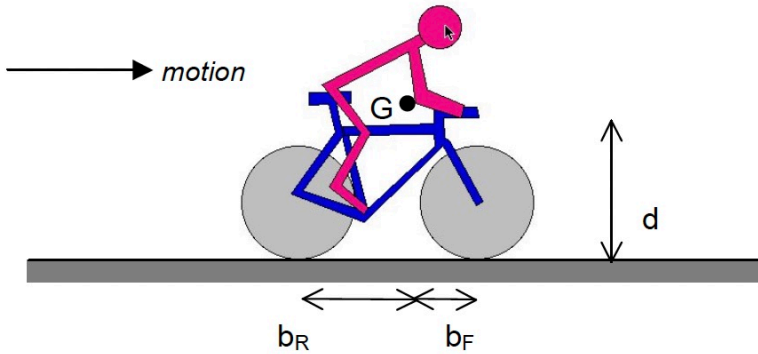
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(R) (F)
find a_{cx} in front & rear scenarios

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(2) x dir

$$\sum F_x = ma_{cx}$$

$$\Rightarrow -f_F - f_R = ma_{cx} \quad (1)$$

(3) y dir

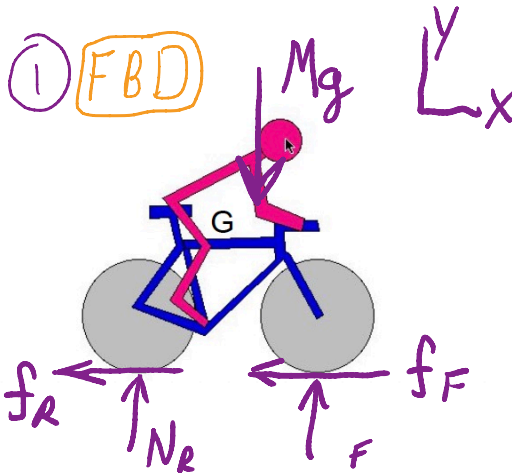
$$\sum F_y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N_R + N_F - mg = 0 \quad (2)$$

(4) Moment @ G. No rot

$$\sum \mathcal{M}_G = 0$$

$$N_F b_F - N_R b_R - f_R d - f_F d = 0 \quad (3)$$



Solve

(5A) Scenario A: Rear brake. Plug in values below

$$f_R = \mu_k N_R ; f_F = 0$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow -\mu_k N_R = ma_{cx}$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_R + N_F = mg$$

$$(3) \Rightarrow N_F b_F - N_R b_R - \mu_k N_R d = 0$$

$$N_F = mg - N_R ; (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow mg b_F - N_R b_F - N_R b_R - \mu_k N_R d = 0$$

(5B) Solve for N_R

$$\Rightarrow N_R = \frac{mg b_F}{b_F + b_R + \mu_k d}$$

(5C) Use (1). Solve for a_{cx} .

$$\Rightarrow a_{cx} = \frac{-\mu_k mg b_F}{m(b_F + b_R + \mu_k d)}$$

$$= \frac{-\mu_k g b_F}{b_F + b_R + \mu_k d}$$

(5B) Scenario B: Front brake. Plug in values below

$$f_R = 0 ; f_F = \mu_k N_F$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow -\mu_k N_F = ma_{cx}$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_R + N_F = mg$$

$$(3) \Rightarrow N_F b_F - N_R b_R - \mu_k N_F d = 0$$

$$N_R = mg - N_F ; (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow N_F b_F - (mg - N_F) b_R - \mu_k N_F d = 0$$

(6B) Solve for N_F

$$N_F = \frac{mg b_R}{b_F + b_R - \mu_k d}$$

(7B) Use (1). Solve for a_{cx} .

$$a_{cx} = - \frac{\mu_k g b_R}{b_F + b_R - \mu_k d}$$

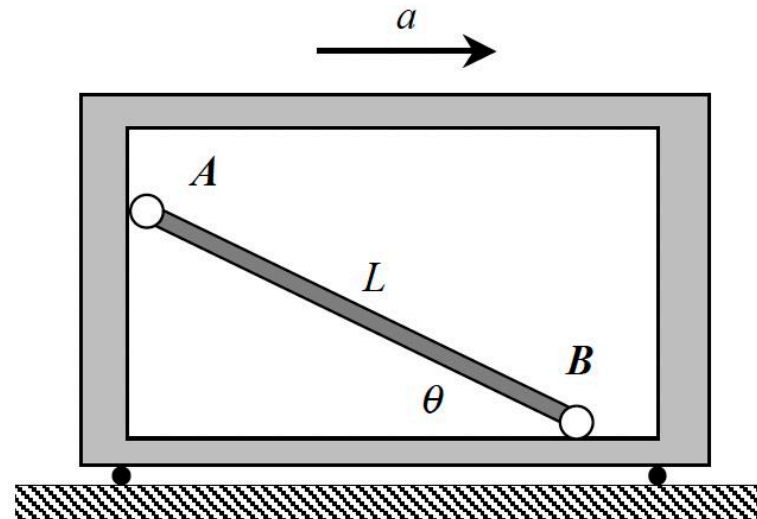
$$= \frac{-\mu_k g b_R}{b_F + b_R - \mu_k d}$$



Example 5.A.4

Given: The figure below.

Find: For what acceleration of the frame does the uniform slender rod maintain the orientation shown in the figure? Consider all surfaces to be smooth.



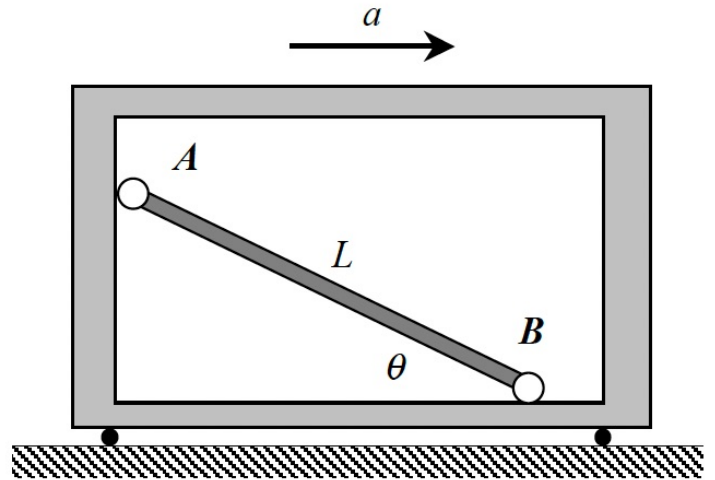
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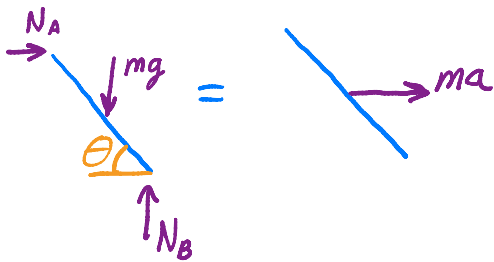
$a?$

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① Instant in time \therefore N/E Eqns

① FBD Rod



② x-dir Newton

$$\sum F_x = ma$$

$$\Rightarrow N_A = ma \quad (1)$$

③ y-dir Newton

$$\sum F_y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N_B - mg = 0 \quad (2)$$

④ Moment @ G. Euler. No rotation

$$\Rightarrow \sum M_G = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N_B \left(\frac{L}{2} \cos \theta\right) - N_A \left(\frac{L}{2} \sin \theta\right) = 0 \quad (3)$$

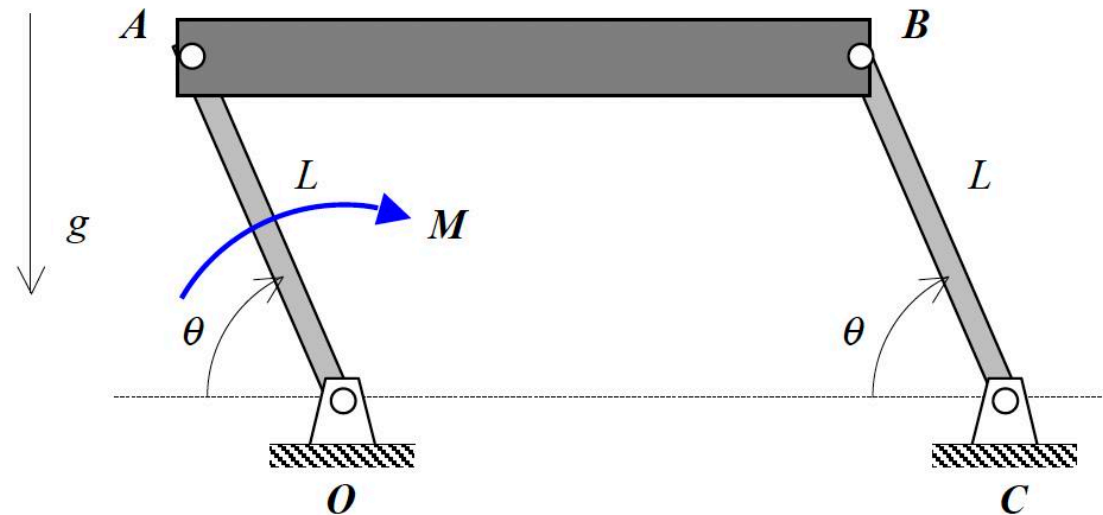
⑤ Solve

$$\Rightarrow N_A, N_B, a$$

Example 5.A.5

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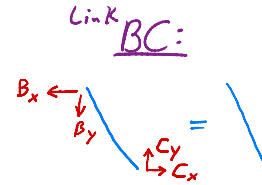
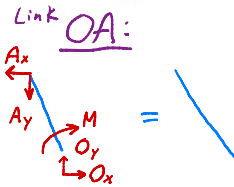
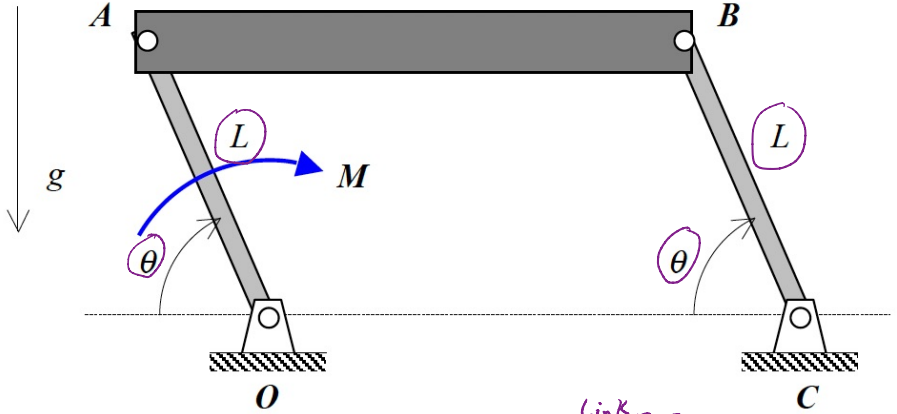
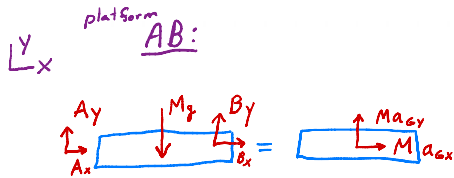
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$$|A| = \sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2}$$

$m = 400 \text{ kg}$ $L = 2 \text{ m}$
 $M = 4000 \text{ Nm}$ $\theta = 53.13^\circ$
 $\omega = 3 \text{ rad/s}$

① Method: N/E eqn
Instant in time.

② **FBDs** Indiv. FBDs



Kinetics

AB:

③ x dir

$$\sum F_x = Ma_{gx} \Rightarrow A_x + B_x = Ma_{gx} \quad (1)$$

④ y dir

$$\sum F_y = Ma_{gy} \Rightarrow A_y + B_y - Mg = Ma_{gy} \quad (2)$$

⑤ Moment @ G. No rot.

$$\sum M_G = I_G \alpha = 0 \Rightarrow -A_y \frac{L}{2} + B_y \frac{L}{2} = 0 \quad (3)$$

OA:

⑥ Moment @ O. no rot

$$\sum M_O = 0 \Rightarrow -M + A_y L \cos \theta + A_x L \sin \theta = 0 \quad (4)$$

BC:

⑦ Moment @ C. no rot

$$\sum M_C = 0 \Rightarrow B_y L \cos \theta + B_x L \sin \theta = 0 \quad (5)$$

⑧ **2, 5** too many unKns. Need more eqns

⑨ Acceleration @ OA

$$\vec{a}_A = \vec{a}_O + \vec{\alpha}_{AO} \times \vec{r}_{A/O} - \omega_{AO}^2 \vec{r}_{A/O}$$

$$a_{Ax} \hat{i} + a_{Ay} \hat{j} = \vec{0} + \alpha_{AO} \hat{k} \times (-L \cos \theta \hat{i} + L \sin \theta \hat{j}) - \omega_{AO}^2 (-L \cos \theta \hat{i} + L \sin \theta \hat{j})$$

$$a_{gx} \hat{i} + a_{gy} \hat{j} = -\alpha_{AO} L \cos \theta \hat{j} - \alpha_{AO} L \sin \theta \hat{i} + \omega_{AO}^2 L \cos \theta \hat{i} - \omega_{AO}^2 L \sin \theta \hat{j}$$

⑩

$$\hat{i}: a_{gx} = -\alpha_{AO} L \sin \theta + \omega_{AO}^2 L \cos \theta \quad (6)$$

$$\hat{j}: a_{gy} = -\alpha_{AO} L \cos \theta - \omega_{AO}^2 L \sin \theta \quad (7)$$

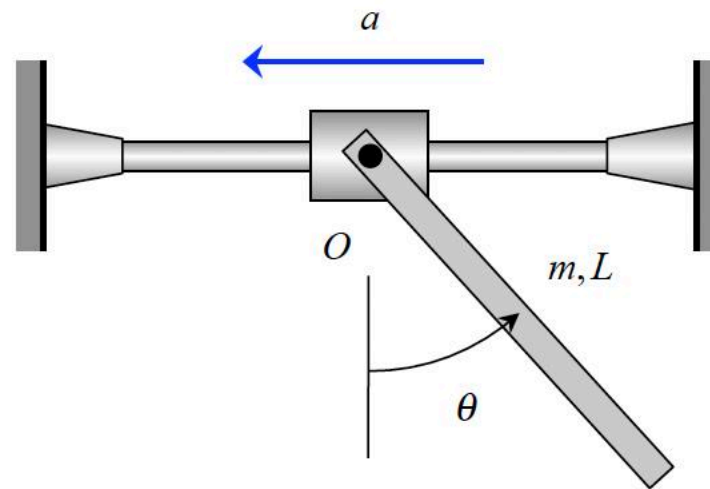
⑩ **Solve** 7 eqns 7 unKns

⑪ $|A| = \sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2}$. Mag of load @ A

Example 5.A.6

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Find: Find a value of a such that the bar is held at a constant angle of $\theta = 25^\circ$.



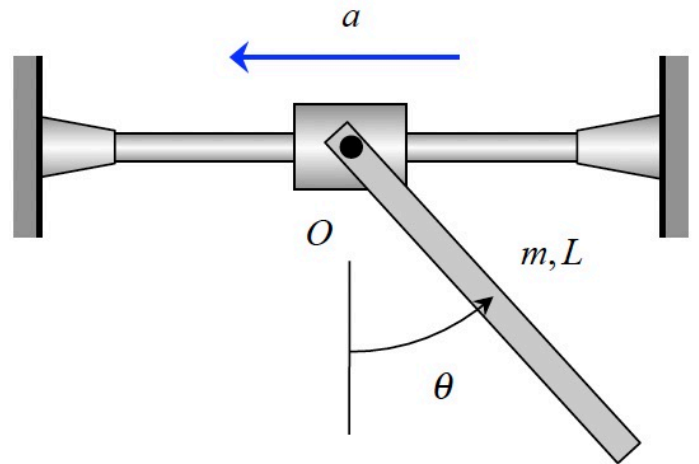
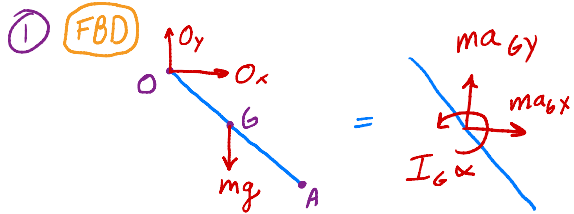
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similar to hw problem due Sri

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Kinetics

② Newton on x

$$\sum F_x = m a_{Gx}$$

$$O_x = m a_{Gx} \quad (1)$$

③ Newton on y

$$\sum F_y = m a_{Gy}$$

$$O_y - mg = m a_{Gy} \quad (2)$$

④ Euler @ G

$$\sum M_G = I_G \alpha$$

$$-O_y \frac{L}{2} \sin\theta - O_x \frac{L}{2} \cos\theta = I_G \alpha \quad (3)$$

Kinematics

⑤ For no rotation:

$$\rightarrow \alpha = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\rightarrow a_{Ox} = a_{Gx} \quad (5)$$

$$\rightarrow a_{Gy} = 0; G \text{ moves on straight path } x \quad (6)$$

⑥ Solve Use (1-6) to find a

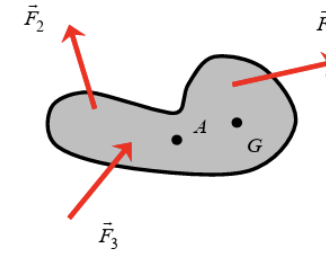
Summary: Newton/Euler Equations 1

FUNDAMENTAL equations:

$$(1) \quad \sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}_G$$

$$(2) \quad \sum \vec{M}_A = I_A \vec{\alpha} + m\vec{r}_{G/A} \times \vec{a}_A$$

SAME point "A"!



CRITICAL ISSUES:

- For NEWTON (1): G must be the center of mass of the body
- For EULER (2): A is ANY point on the body. The same point "A" must be used across the board in the equation – you cannot mix and match points A.

SIMPLIFICATION: If A is: EITHER the center of mass G OR a fixed point (zero acceleration) OR \vec{a}_A is parallel to $\vec{r}_{G/A}$, then the Euler equation (2) reduces to:

$$\sum \vec{M}_A = I_A \vec{\alpha}$$

← We will use this form of the equation most of the time

TERMINOLOGY: I_A is known as the "mass moment of inertia" of the body about point A. The size of I_A is dependent on the location of A.

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