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

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

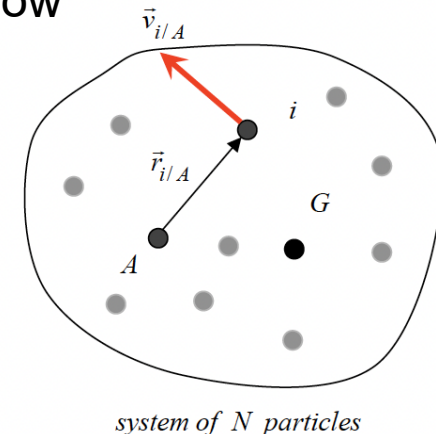
$$(2) \quad \vec{M}_{O_i} = \frac{d}{dt} [\vec{r}_{i/O} \times (m_i \vec{v}_i)] \quad ; \quad O \text{ is a FIXED point}$$

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**  $\vec{r}_{G/A}$ .  $\vec{r}_{G/A} \times \vec{a}_A = \vec{0}$ .

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

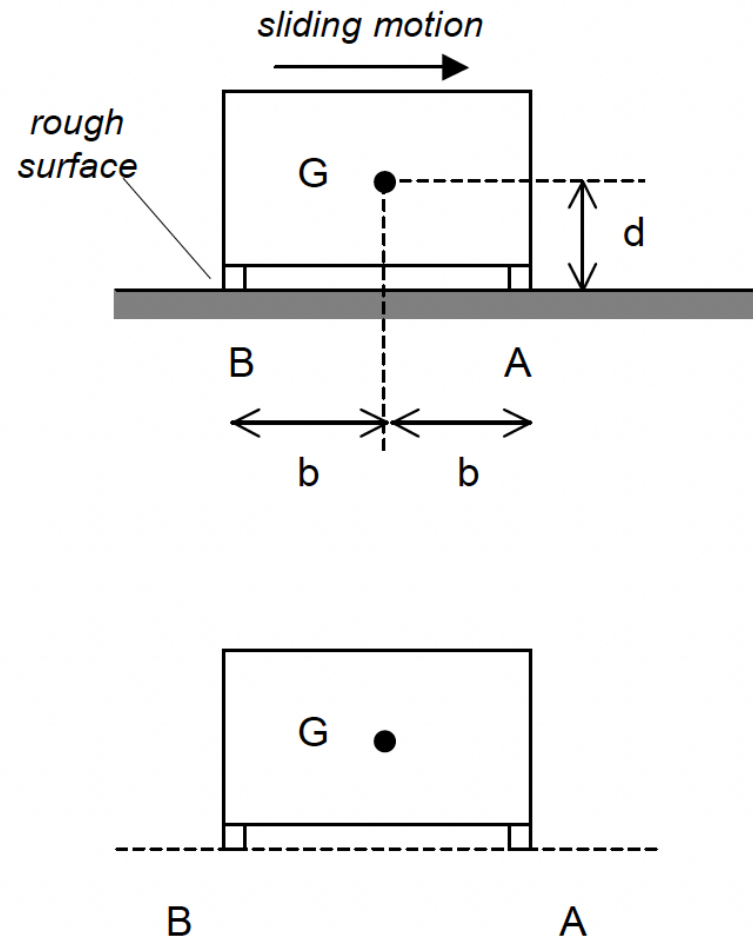
**Aside/Note:** You are free to choose any point A on the body you want. **But remember you must be consistent with it**, in your Euler's Equation.

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

### Example 5.A.1

**Given:** A crate of mass  $m$  slides to the right on a rough surface (with a kinetic coefficient of friction of  $\mu_k$ ).

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



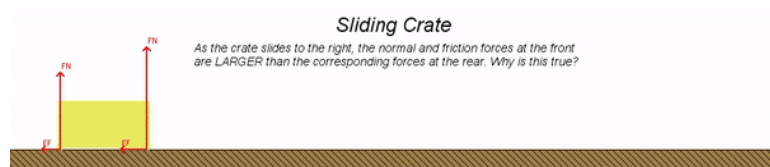
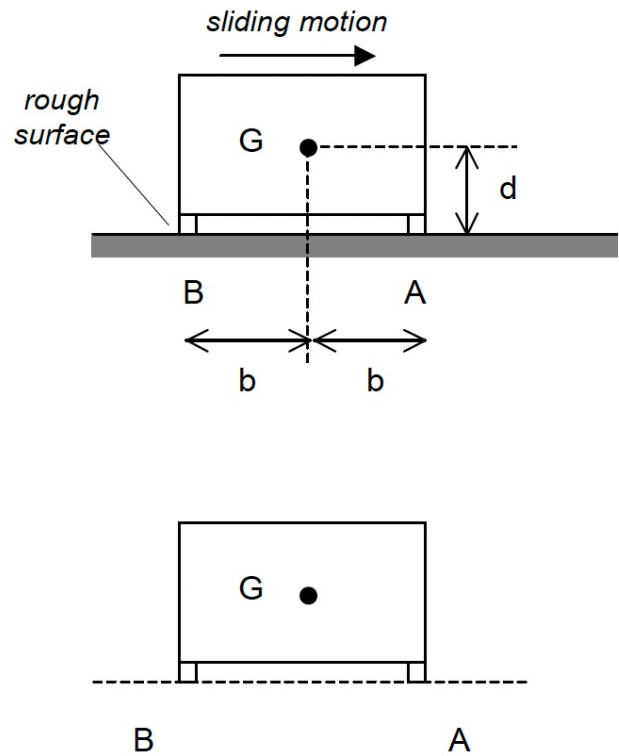
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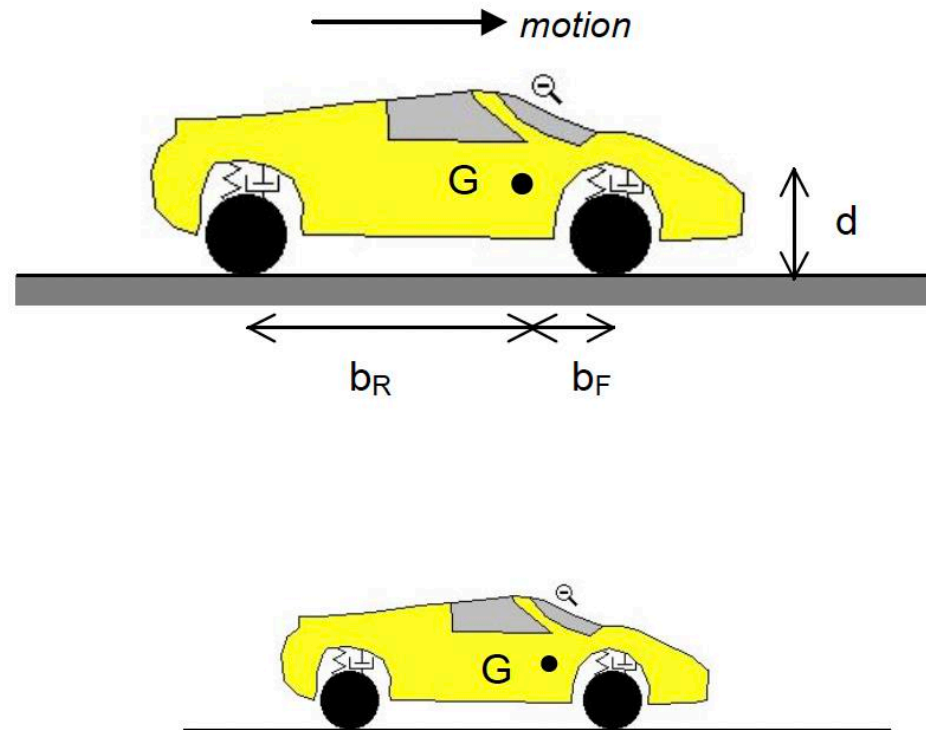
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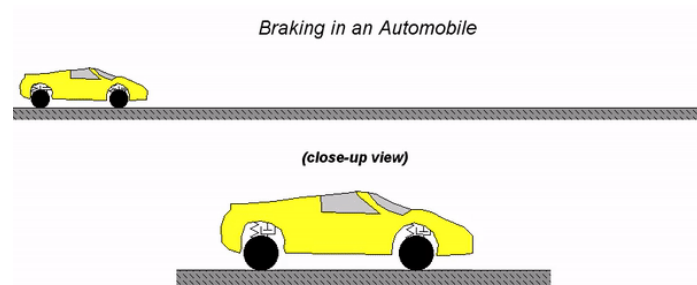
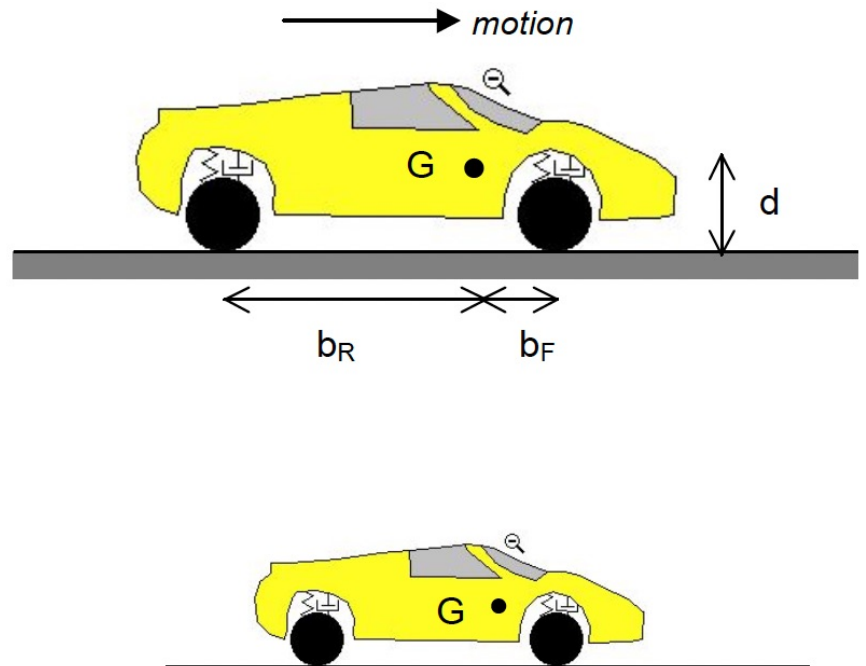


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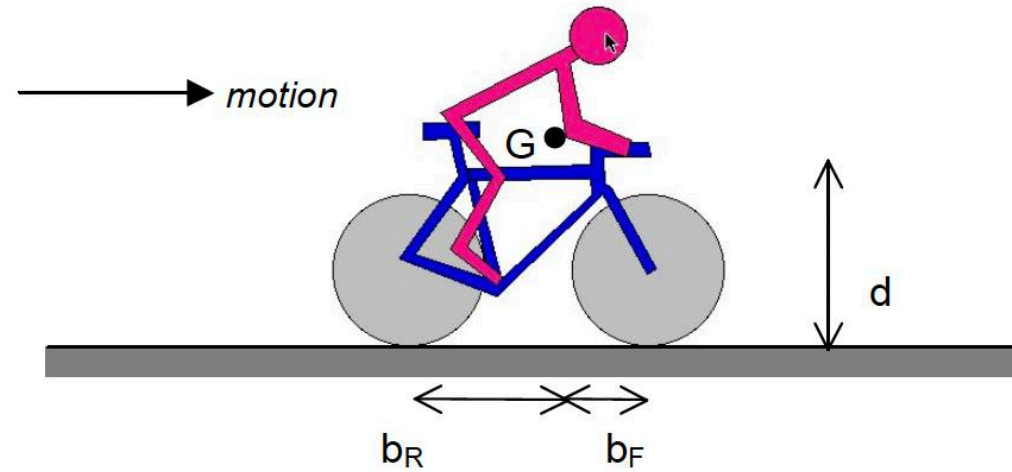
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### Example 5.A.3

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



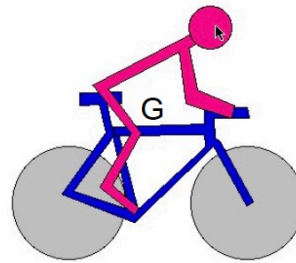
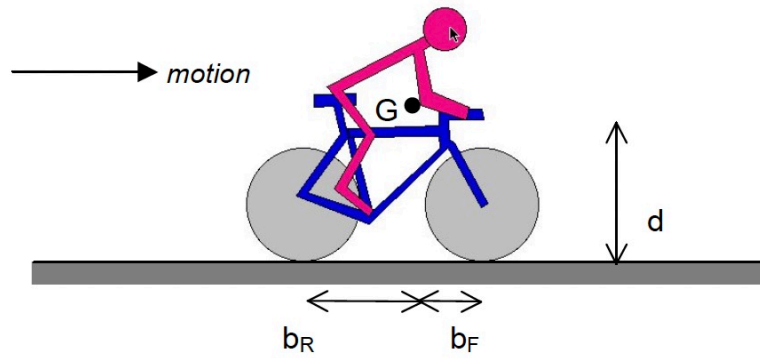
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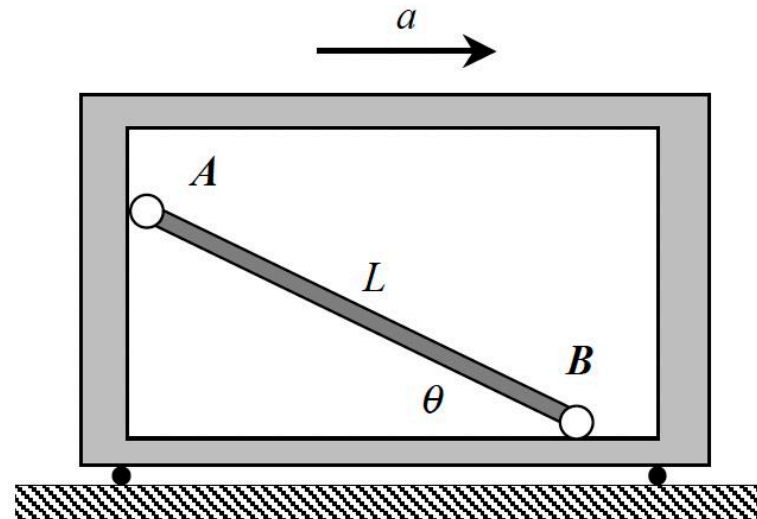
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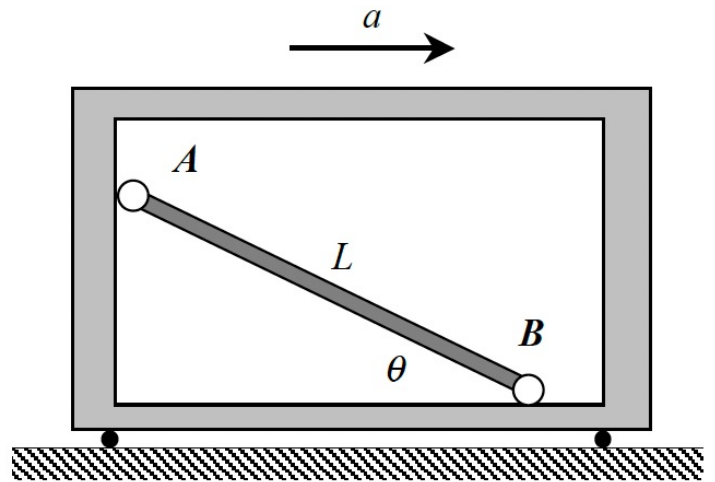


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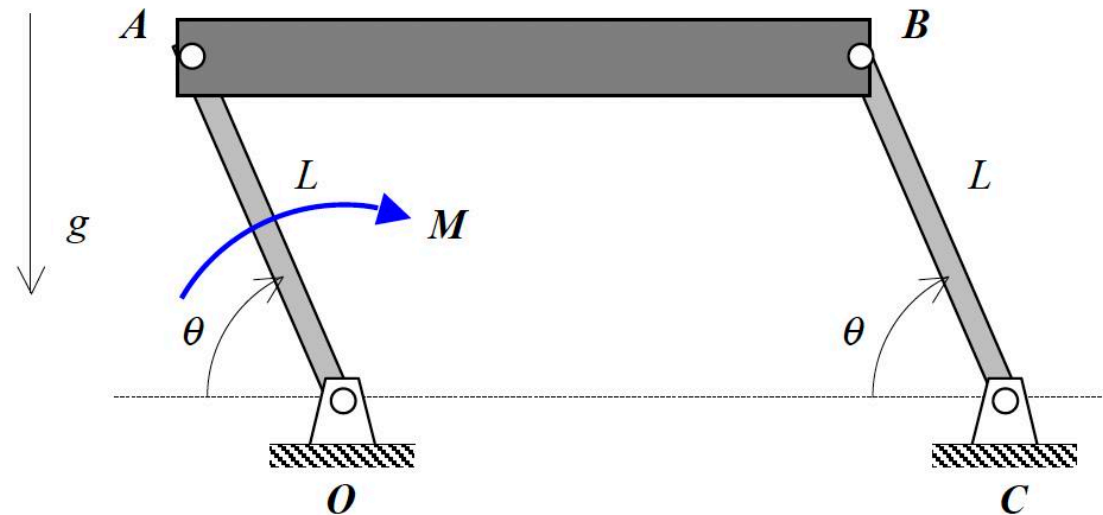
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**Find:** Determine the magnitude of the load carried by pin  $A$  at this position.

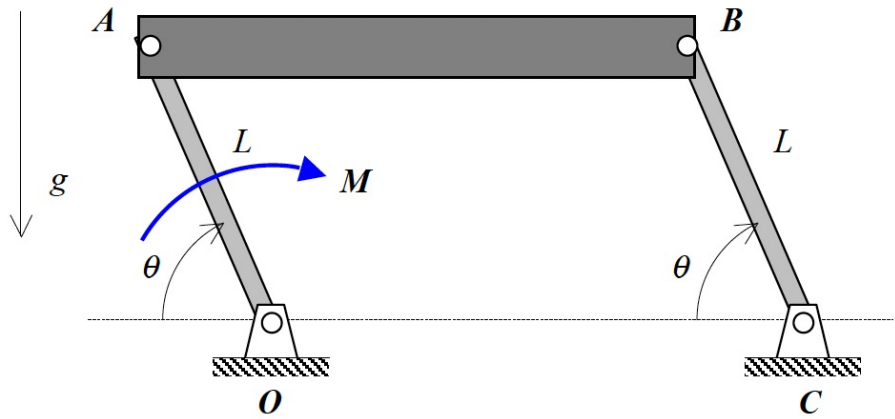


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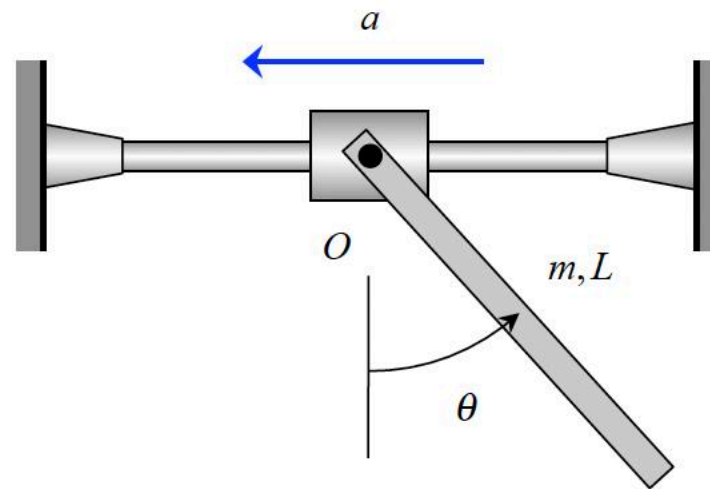
**Find:** Determine the magnitude of the load carried by pin A at this position.



**Example 5.A.6**

**Given:** The collar  $O$  has a constant acceleration of  $a$  to the left. A thin, homogeneous bar of length  $L$  and mass  $m$  is pinned to the collar.

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



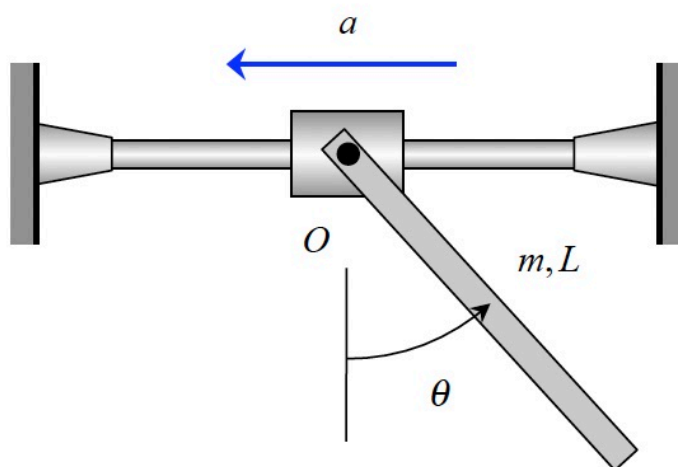
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similar to hw problem due Fri

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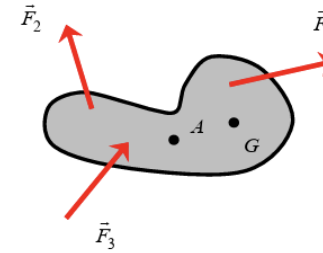
# Summary: Newton/Euler Equations 1

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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