MEAM 211

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Introduction

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What is Dynamics? The Big Picture

Three parts

- Geometry
 - Shapes, curves
- Kinematics
 - Motion
 - Curves, shapes + time
- □ Kinetics
 - Motion and causes of motion (forces)

Types of Problems

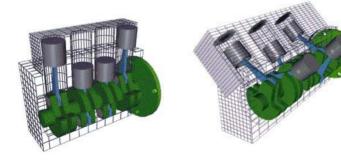
- Describe motion
- Given motion, what forces caused motion?
- Given forces, predict motion



What is Dynamics? And why should we study it?

Motivating Examples

- Cruise missile
- Internal combustion engine
- Mechanisms



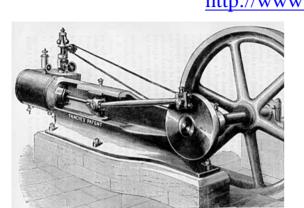




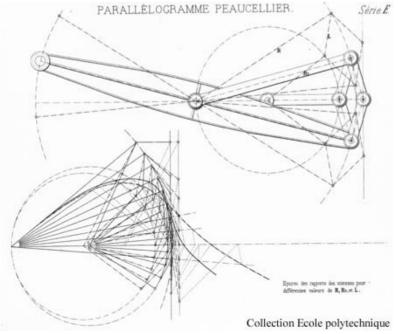
http://auto.howstuffworks.com/engine5.htm

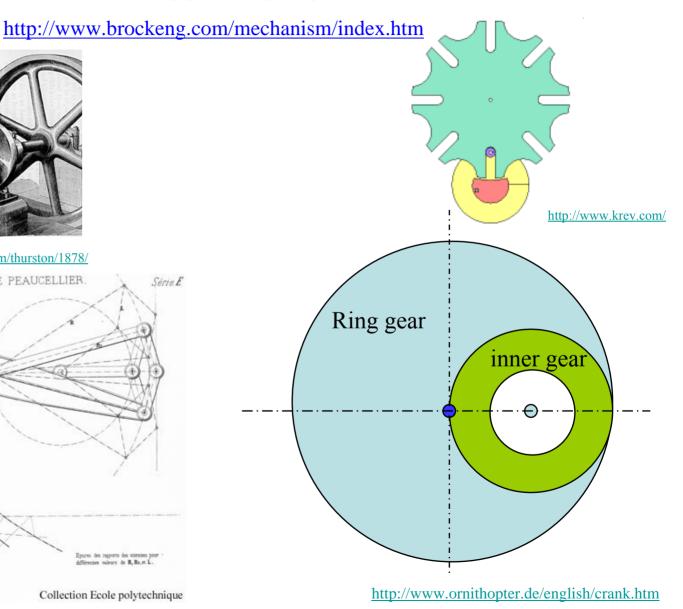


Mechanisms



http://www.history.rochester.edu/steam/thurston/1878/







Mechanisms: The Pantograph Mechanism



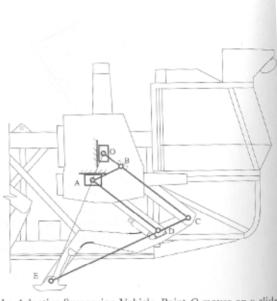




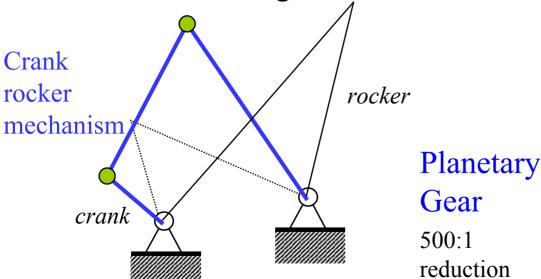
Figure 5.9 The leg mechanism of the Adaptive Suspension Vehicle. Point O moves on a slide that is vertical relative to the leg mounting structure to produce a corresponding vertical motion of the ankle point E. Point A moves on a slide that is horizontal relative to the vehicle body to drive point E along a horizontal path.

Mechanisms: Oscillating Water Sprinkler













Head-controlled Feeding Device for Quadriplegics

☐ Head motion controls a passive (mechanical) feeder



Dynamics: Historical Perspective

- Chapter I
 - Newtonian mechanics
 - > Kepler planetary motion
 - > Galileo importance of acceleration
 - > Newton *Principia Mathematica* (1687)

100 years later ...



Historical Perspective (Continued)

Chapter II

- Lagrangian mechanics
 - > Bernoulli principle of virtual work, statics
 - > Euler dynamics of rotating rigid bodies
 - > D'Alembert extension of virtual work to dynamics
 - > Lagrange Mechanique Analytique (1788)

Analytical mechanics

- > Analytical because it is based on a few fundamental principles
- Lagrange describes it as an approach which does not require drawing any diagrams (e.g. free body diagrams)



Focus in MEAM 211

- Newtonian mechanics
- No relativistic effects (no quantum mechanics)
 - Reasonable velocities
 - Reasonable length scales
- Practical problems
- Analysis and Design
- □ Projects linked to MEAM 247



Lectures and Recitation

Lectures

- New material
- Problem solving

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Recitation

- 1. Forum for solving problems
- 2. Computer-Aided-Engineering labs

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