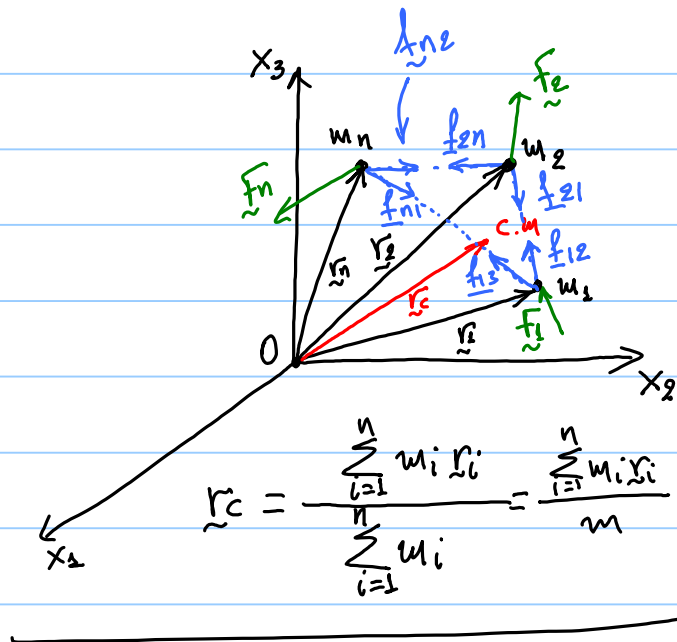


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## CHAPTER 8 : Dynamics of a Rigid Body

Reminder. Chapter 4: System of particles



Translational motion :

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \vec{F}_i = \vec{F} = m \ddot{\vec{r}}_c$$

where  $\vec{r}_c$  is the location of the c.m.

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## Equation of rotational motion

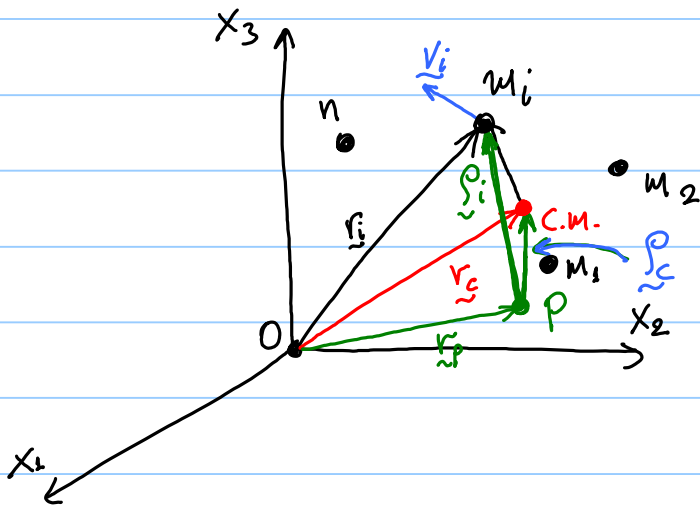
(i) Fixed reference point O:  $\underline{\underline{M_0 = \dot{H}_0}}$  (1)

$$\underline{M_0} = \sum_{i=1}^n \underline{r}_i \times \underline{F}_i, \quad \underline{H}_i = \sum \underline{r}_i \times \underline{p}_i$$

ii) Reference point at the c.m.:  $\underline{\underline{M_c = \dot{H}_c}}$  (2)

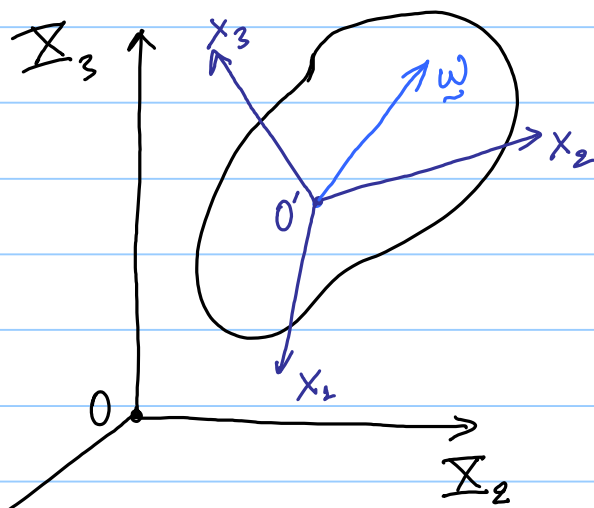
iii) Arbitrary reference point P:  $\underline{\underline{M_P - p_c \times m \ddot{r}_P = \dot{H}_P}}$  (3)

Note: If P is fixed or  $\ddot{r}_P = \text{const.}$ , or if  $P \equiv \text{c.m.}$ , or if  $\underline{p}_c \parallel \underline{\ddot{r}_P} \Rightarrow \underline{p}_c \times m \underline{\ddot{r}_P} = 0$



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## 8-1 General equations of motion



$(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ : Fixed in the rigid body and rotates with it  
Body-axis coordinate system

i) Translational motion:

$$\underline{\underline{F}} = m \underline{\underline{\ddot{r}}_C} \quad (4)$$

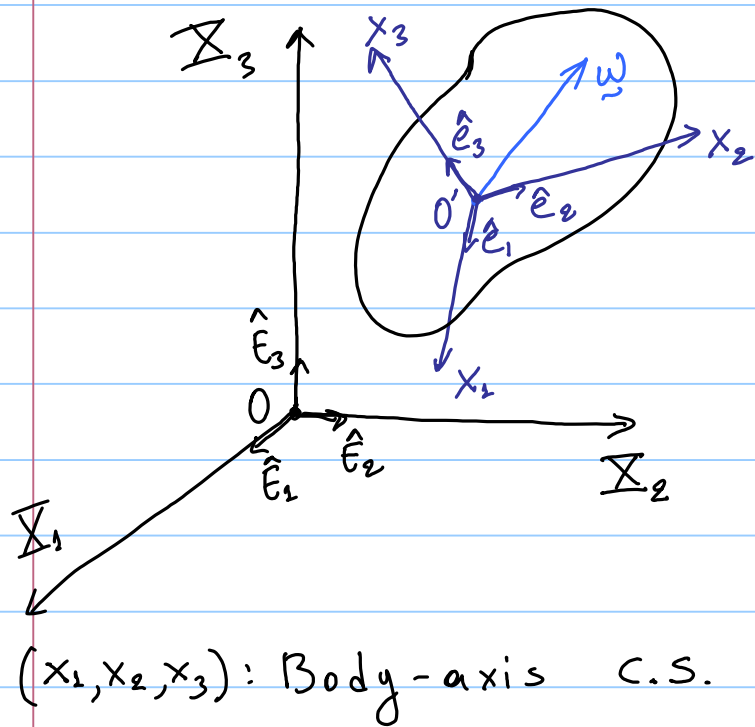
ii) Rotational motion

If  $O'$  is a fixed point or the c.m.:  $\underline{\underline{M}}_{O'} = \underline{\underline{\dot{H}}}_{O'}$  (5)

If  $O'$  is some other reference point then we have to use eqn. (3)

In almost all cases that we will discuss:  $\underline{\underline{M}} = \underline{\underline{M}}_{O'}$

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Rotational motion:

$$\underline{\underline{M}} = \underline{\underline{\dot{H}}} = \underline{\underline{I}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\dot{\omega}}} + \underline{\underline{\omega}} \times \underline{\underline{H}} = \underline{\underline{I}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\dot{\omega}}} + \underline{\underline{\omega}} \times \underline{\underline{I}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\omega}} \quad (6a)$$

$$M_i = I_{ij} \dot{\omega}_j + \epsilon_{ijk} \omega_j H_k \quad (6b) \quad \text{or}$$

$$M_1 = I_{11} \dot{\omega}_1 + I_{12} \dot{\omega}_2 + I_{13} \dot{\omega}_3 + \omega_2 H_3 - \omega_3 H_2 \quad (6c)$$

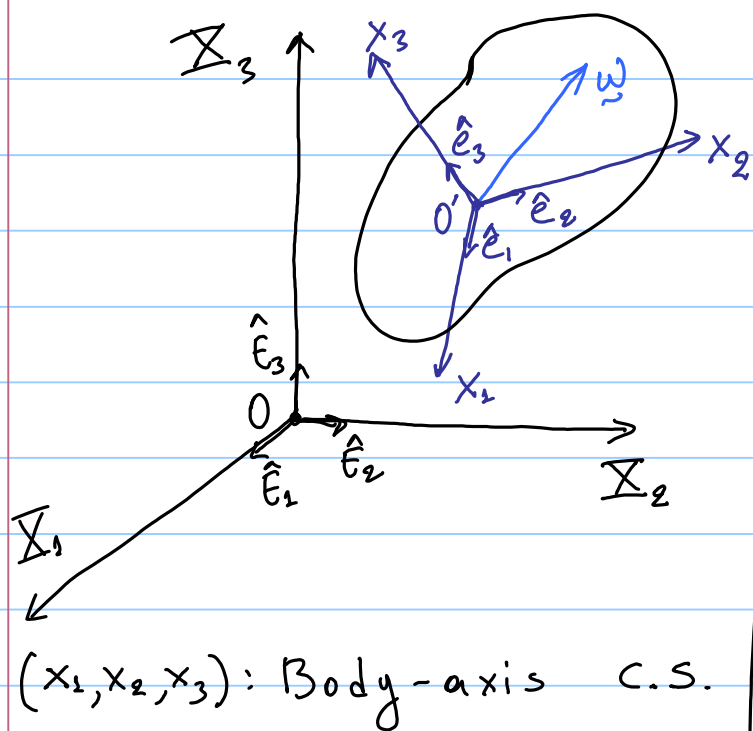
(Direct proof in chapter 7) or

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \underline{\underline{\dot{H}}} &= (\underline{\underline{\dot{H}}})_r + \underline{\underline{\omega}} \times \underline{\underline{H}} \\ (\underline{\underline{\dot{H}}})_r &= (\dot{H}_i)_r \hat{e}_i = (\overline{I_{ij} \omega_j})_r \hat{e}_i = I_{ij} \dot{\omega}_j \hat{e}_i \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\underline{\underline{\dot{H}}} = \underline{\underline{I}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\dot{\omega}}} + \underline{\underline{\omega}} \times \underline{\underline{H}} \quad (6a)$$

$\underline{\underline{\dot{H}}}$ : absolute rate of change

$\underline{\underline{\omega}}$ : Absolute angular velocity w.r.t.  $\underline{\underline{X}}_i$



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## Euler's equations of Motion (5)

If  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  are the principal axes w.r.t.  $O'$  and  $O'$ : fixed point or c.m. then

$$H_i = (\underline{I} \cdot \underline{\omega})_i = I_{ij} \delta_{ij} \omega_j, \quad H_1 = I_{11} \omega_1, \dots \quad (7)$$

$$(6b) \Rightarrow M_i = I_{ij} \delta_{ij} \dot{\omega}_j + \epsilon_{ijk} \omega_j I_{kl} \delta_{kl} \omega_l \quad (8a)$$

$$\Rightarrow M_1 = I_{11} \dot{\omega}_1 + \epsilon_{123} \omega_2 I_{33} \omega_3 + \epsilon_{132} \omega_3 I_{22} \omega_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} M_1 = I_{11} \dot{\omega}_1 + (I_{33} - I_{22}) \omega_2 \omega_3 \\ M_2 = I_{22} \dot{\omega}_2 + (I_{11} - I_{33}) \omega_1 \omega_3 \\ M_3 = I_{33} \dot{\omega}_3 + (I_{22} - I_{11}) \omega_1 \omega_2 \end{cases} \quad (8b)$$

(6)

Body-axis translational equations

$$\underline{\underline{F}} = m \underline{\underline{\ddot{r}}}_c \Leftrightarrow \underline{\underline{F}} = m \underline{\underline{\dot{v}}}_c, \quad \underline{\underline{F}}: \text{total external force}$$

$\underline{\underline{v}}_c$ : absolute velocity of the c.m.,

$\underline{\underline{\dot{v}}}_c$  referred to the body-axis coordinate system

$$\underline{\underline{\dot{v}}}_c = (\underline{\underline{\dot{v}}}_c)_r + \underline{\underline{\omega}} \times \underline{\underline{v}}_c, \quad (\underline{\underline{\dot{v}}}_c)_r = \dot{v}_i \hat{e}_i + \underline{\underline{\omega}} \times \underline{\underline{v}} \Rightarrow F_i/m = \dot{v}_i + \epsilon_{ijk} \omega_j v_k \quad (9)$$

e.g.  $F_1 = m \dot{v}_{c1} + m (\omega_2 v_{c3} - \omega_3 v_{c2})$

$\underline{\underline{v}}_c, \underline{\underline{\dot{v}}}_c$ : are the absolute velocity and acceleration of the c.m. referred to the body-axis C.S.

## Examples

## 1. Rigid body motion in a plane (2-D) (Example 7-5)

(A) First method

(O  $\equiv$  C.M. the reference point)

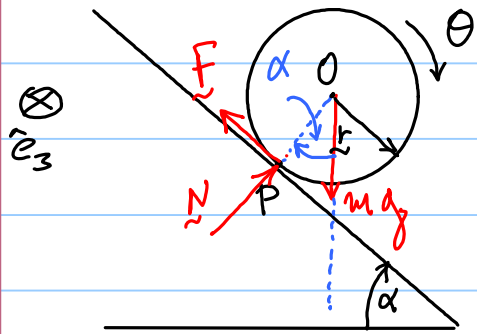
(i) Translation:  $mg \sin \alpha - F = m\dot{v} = mr\ddot{\theta}$  (1)

(ii) Rotation:  $M = \dot{H}$  (2)

$$\underline{H} = \underline{I} \cdot \underline{\omega}, \quad \underline{\omega} = \omega \hat{e}_3 = \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_3, \quad I_{ij} = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j$$

$$\underline{H} = I_{33} \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_3 \quad (3)$$

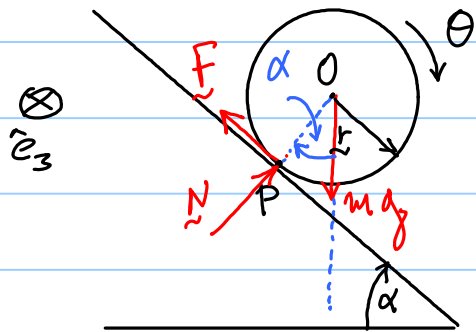
$$(2), (3) \Rightarrow M = I_{33} \ddot{\theta} \quad (4), \quad I_{33} = \frac{1}{2} mr^2 \quad (5)$$



(a)

Uniform cylinder rolls without slipping

$$\ddot{\theta} = ?$$



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From the free-body diagram:  $M = Fr$  (6)

$$(4-6) \Rightarrow F = \frac{1}{2} m r \ddot{\theta} \quad (7)$$

$$(1), (7) \Rightarrow m g \sin \alpha - \frac{1}{2} m r \ddot{\theta} = m r \ddot{\theta}$$

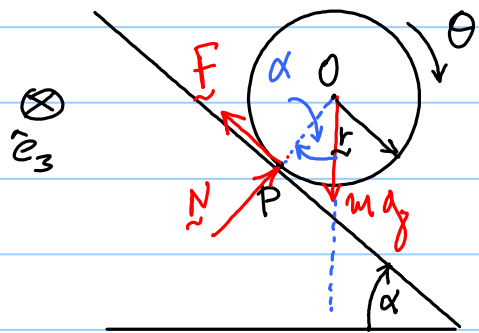
$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\theta} = 2g \sin \alpha / 3r$$

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(9)

(B) Second method (P: fixed point in the inclined plane)



(a)  
Uniform cylinder rolls  
without slipping  
 $\ddot{\theta} = ?$

Since P is fixed  $\rightarrow$  1 d.o.f.  $\Rightarrow$  1 equation

$$\underline{M}_P = \underline{\dot{H}}_P \quad (1), \quad \underline{H}_P = \underline{I}_P \cdot \underline{\omega} \Rightarrow H_P = I_P \dot{\theta} \quad (2)$$

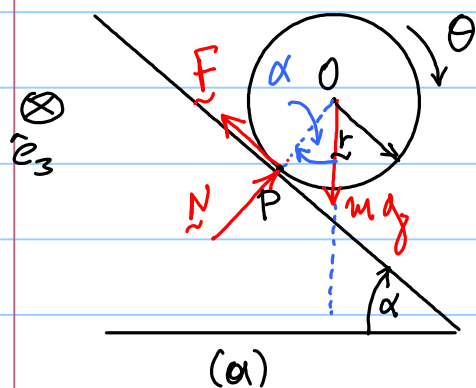
$$I_P = I_O + mr^2 = \frac{1}{2} mr^2 + mr^2 = \frac{3}{2} mr^2 \quad (3)$$

$$M_P = mgr \sin \alpha \quad (4)$$

$$(1-4) \Rightarrow mgr \sin \alpha = \frac{3}{2} mr^2 \ddot{\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\ddot{\theta} = 2g \sin \alpha / 3r}$$

(c) Third method: Reference point  $P$  fixed in the cylinder



Uniform cylinder rolls without slipping

$$\ddot{\theta} = ?$$

Because  $P$  is moving and it is not the c.m., we have to use the equation:  $\underline{M}_P - \underline{\rho}_c \times m \underline{\ddot{r}}_P = \underline{\dot{H}}_P$  (1)

$\underline{\rho}_c$  is the position of the c.m.  $O$  w.r.t. to  $P$ . In this specific case:  $\underline{\rho}_c \parallel \underline{\ddot{r}}_P \Rightarrow \underline{\rho}_c \times m \underline{\ddot{r}}_P = 0$  (2)

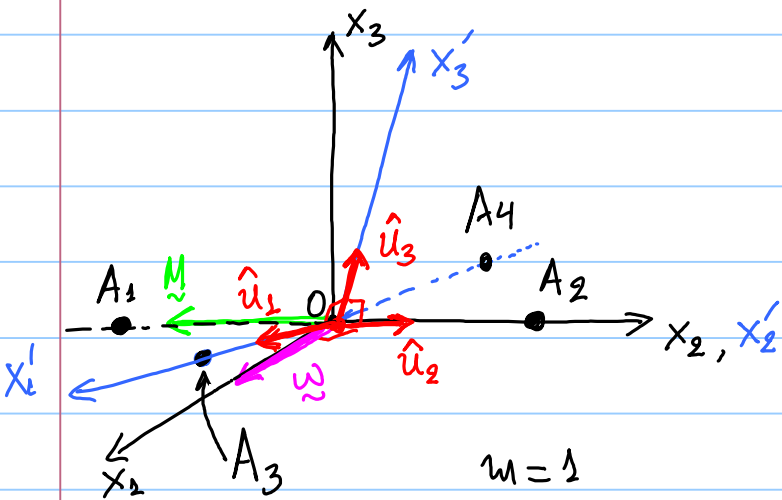
If the c.m. was not at  $O$  then  $\underline{\rho}_c \times m \underline{\ddot{r}}_P \neq 0$

$$\dot{H}_P = I_P \dot{\theta}, \quad M_P = mg r \sin \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\ddot{\theta} = 2g \sin \alpha / 3r}$$

## 2. 3-D examples

### Example 8-1



$$A_1 = (0, -\sqrt{50}, 0), A_2 = (0, \sqrt{50}, 0)$$

$$A_3 = (10, 0, 5), A_4 = (-10, 0, -5)$$

$$[I] = \begin{pmatrix} 150 & 0 & -100 \\ 0 & 250 & 0 \\ -100 & 0 & 300 \end{pmatrix} \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2$$

$$I_{11} = \sum_{i=1}^4 m_i (x_{i2}^2 + x_{i3}^2) = 50 + 50 + 25 + 25 = 150$$

$$I_{13} = - \sum_{i=1}^4 m_i x_{i1} x_{i3} = -0 \cdot 0 - 0 \cdot 0 - 10 \cdot 5 - 10 \cdot 5 = -100$$

Eigenvectors - Principal directions

$$\hat{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2/\sqrt{5} \\ 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix}, \hat{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{u}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1/\sqrt{5} \\ 0 \\ 2/\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

(12)

Consider a rigid body with inertia matrix w.r.t. the c.m.

$$[I] = \begin{pmatrix} 150 & 0 & -100 \\ 0 & 250 & 0 \\ -100 & 0 & 300 \end{pmatrix} \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{\omega} = (10 \ 0 \ 0)^T \text{ rad/s};$$

What is  $\underline{M}$

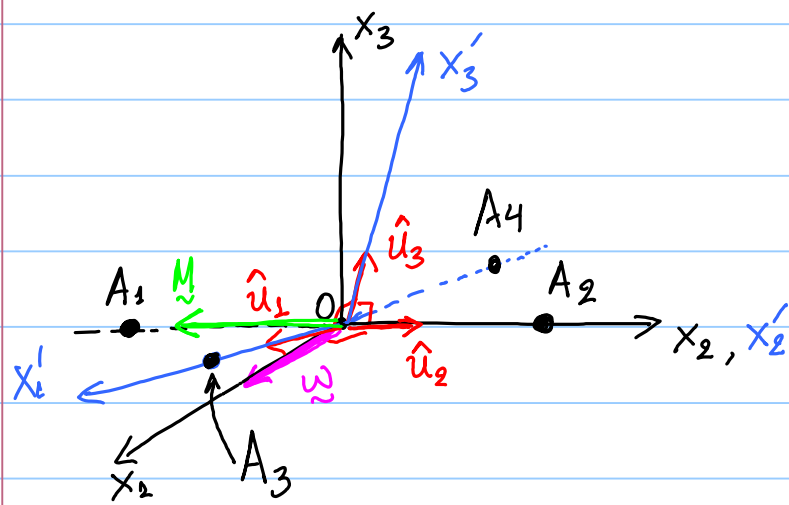
General expression:  $M_i = I_{ij} \dot{\omega}_j + \epsilon_{ijk} \omega_j H_k$

$$\dot{\omega}_j = 0, j=1,2,3; \quad \underline{H} = \underline{I} \cdot \underline{\omega} \Rightarrow H_i = I_{ij} \omega_j \Rightarrow \begin{cases} H_1 = I_{11} \omega_1 = 1500 \text{ kg m}^2/\text{s} \\ H_2 = 0 \\ H_3 = I_{31} \omega_1 = -1000 \text{ kg m}^2/\text{s} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_1 = \omega_2 H_3 - \omega_3 H_2 = 0, \quad M_2 = \cancel{\omega_3 H_1} - \omega_1 H_3 = -10^4 \text{ Nm}, \quad M_3 = 0$$

$\underline{M} = (0 \ -10^4 \ 0)^T$ , absolute value of  $\underline{M}$  w.r.t. the Body-fixed coord. Syst.

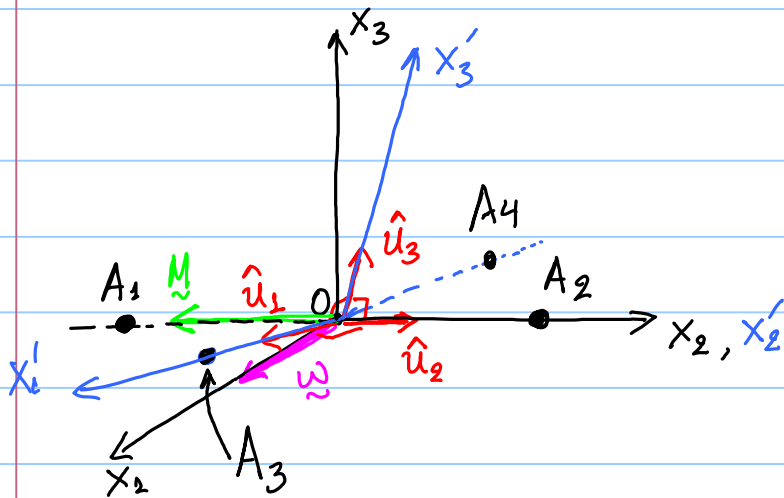
$\underline{M} = \text{const.} \rightarrow$  it rotates with the body



The external torque balances the inertia couple due to the centrifugal force of the particles  $A_3$  and  $A_4$  on the  $x_1'$  axis which rotates about the  $x_1$  axis.

If we analyze the problem w.r.t. the principal axes

$$[I'] = \begin{pmatrix} 100 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 250 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 350 \end{pmatrix} \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2$$



$$\omega'_i = \hat{u}_i \cdot \omega \quad \text{or} \quad \omega' = \begin{pmatrix} u_1^T \\ u_2^T \\ u_3^T \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

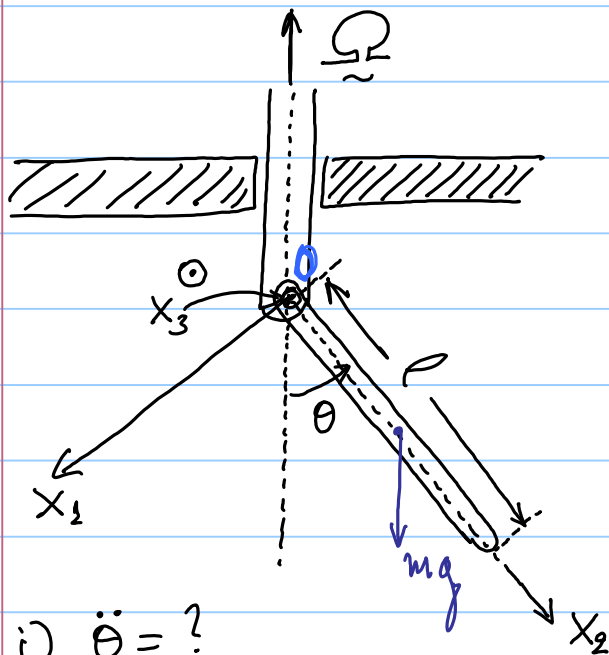
$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \omega'_1 \\ \omega'_2 \\ \omega'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2/\sqrt{5} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{5} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1/\sqrt{5} & 0 & 2/\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4\sqrt{5} \\ 0 \\ -2\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} M'_1 = I'_{11} \dot{\omega}'_1 + (I'_{33} - I'_{22}) \omega'_2 \omega'_3 \\ M'_2 = I'_{22} \dot{\omega}'_2 + (I'_{11} - I'_{33}) \omega'_1 \omega'_3 \\ M'_3 = I'_{33} \dot{\omega}'_3 + (I'_{22} - I'_{11}) \omega'_1 \omega'_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\dot{\omega}'_i = 0,$$

$$M'_1 = 0, \quad M'_2 = (100 - 350) 4\sqrt{5} (-2\sqrt{5}) = 10^4 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}, \quad M'_3 = 0 \quad (x_2 \text{ axis} \equiv x'_2 \text{ axis})$$

## Example 8-2



We consider the equations of motion w.r.t. the fixed point  $O$ .

$$I_{11} = I_{33} = \frac{1}{3} m l^2, \quad I_{22} = 0, \quad I_{ij} = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j \quad (1)$$

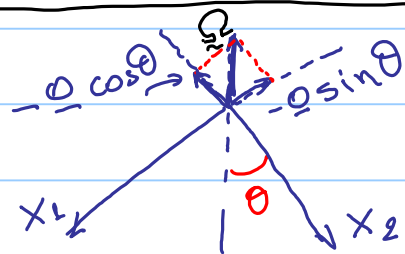
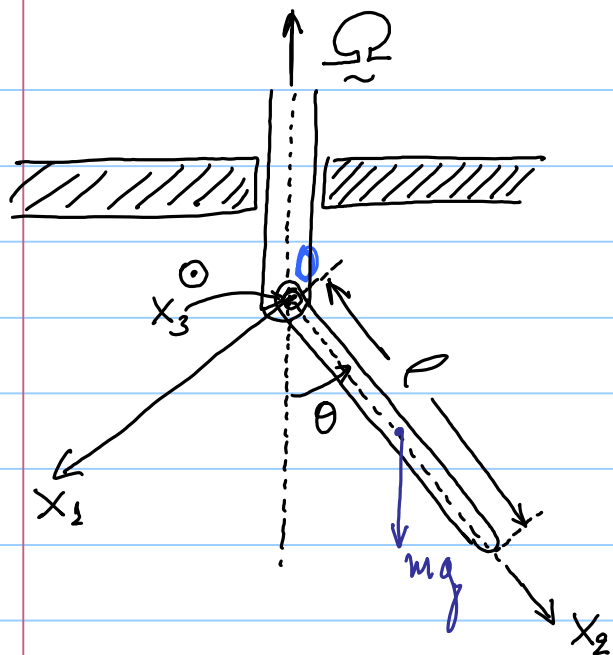
For the chosen axes  $[I]$  is diagonal and the eqns of motion are the Euler's eqns.

$$\begin{cases} M_1 = I_{11} \dot{\omega}_1 + (I_{33} - I_{22}) \omega_2 \omega_3 & (2a) \\ M_2 = I_{22} \dot{\omega}_2 + (I_{11} - I_{33}) \omega_1 \omega_3 & (2b) \\ M_3 = I_{33} \dot{\omega}_3 + (I_{22} - I_{11}) \omega_1 \omega_2 & (2c) \end{cases}$$

i)  $\ddot{\theta} = ?$

ii) Stability for  $\theta \ll 1$

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We will compute the coordinates of the absolute angular velocity of the rod w.r.t.  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  C.S.

$$\omega_1 = -\Omega \sin\theta, \quad \omega_2 = -\Omega \cos\theta, \quad \omega_3 = \dot{\theta} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Applied moment: } M_3 = -mg \ell \sin\theta \quad (4)$$

$$(2b) \Rightarrow 0 = 0 \quad \times$$

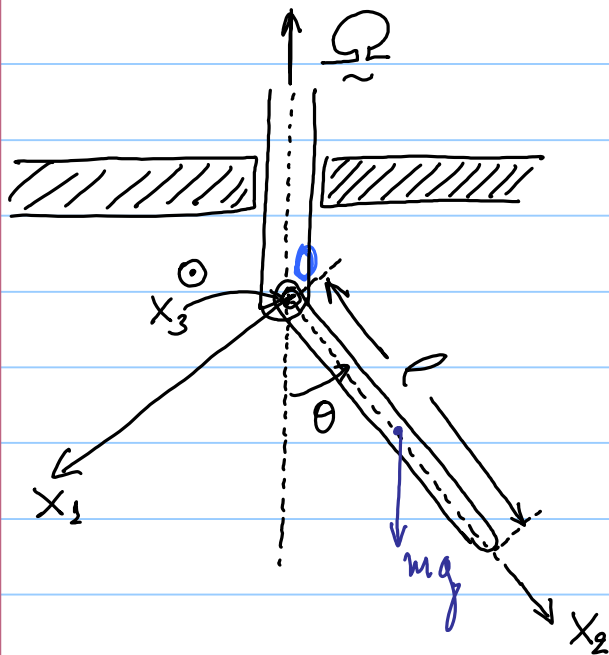
$$I_{11} \dot{\omega}_1 = \frac{1}{3} m \ell^2 (-\Omega \cos\theta) \dot{\theta}$$

$$(I_{33} - I_{22}) \omega_2 \omega_3 = \frac{1}{3} m \ell^2 \dot{\theta} (-\Omega \cos\theta), \quad M_1 = 0$$

$$(2a) \Rightarrow M_1 = I_{11} \dot{\omega}_1 + (I_{33} - I_{22}) \omega_2 \omega_3 \Rightarrow 0 = 0 \quad \times$$



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$$(2c) \Rightarrow M_3 = I_{33} \dot{\omega}_3 + (I_{22} - I_{11}) \omega_1 \omega_2$$

$$\rightarrow -mg\ell/2 \sin\theta = \frac{1}{3} m \ell^2 \ddot{\theta} + (-\frac{1}{3} m \ell^2) \underline{\Omega}^2 \sin\theta \cos\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\theta} + \left( \frac{3g}{2\ell} - \underline{\Omega}^2 \cos\theta \right) \sin\theta = 0 \quad (5)$$

a) if  $\underline{\Omega} = 0 \Rightarrow$  simple pendulum with  $L = \frac{2\ell}{3}$

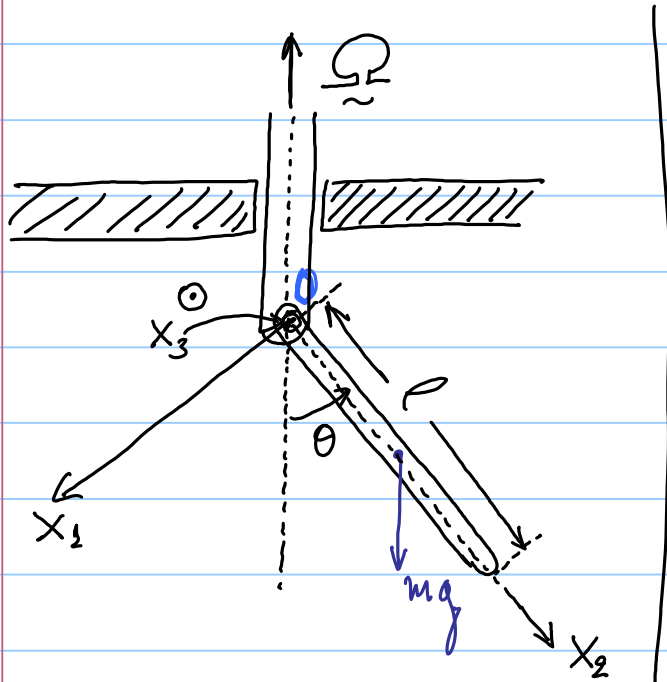
b) for  $\theta \ll 1 \Rightarrow \cos\theta \approx 1, \sin\theta \approx \theta$

$$(5) \Rightarrow \ddot{\theta} + \left( \frac{3g}{2\ell} - \underline{\Omega}^2 \right) \theta = 0 \quad (6)$$

Harmonic eqn  
if  $\frac{3g}{2\ell} > \underline{\Omega}^2$

$$\text{Natural freq. } \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{3g}{2\ell} - \underline{\Omega}^2}$$

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$$\ddot{\theta} + \left( \frac{3g}{2l} - \Omega^2 \right) \theta = 0 \quad (6)$$

For  $\Omega^2 > 3g/2l$  unstable near  $\theta = 0$   
 solution shifts from trigonometric to hyperbolic

However, even for  $\Omega^2 > 3g/2l$  a stable solution exists for  $\theta \gg 0$ .

$$\ddot{\theta} + \left( \frac{3g}{2l} - \Omega^2 \cos \theta \right) \sin \theta = 0 \quad (5)$$

By setting  $\ddot{\theta} = 0 \xRightarrow{(5)} \theta_0 \neq 0, \theta_0 = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{3g}{2l\Omega^2} \right) \quad (7)$

$$\ddot{\theta} + \left( \frac{3g}{2l} - \omega^2 \cos \theta \right) \sin \theta = 0, \quad \theta_0 = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{3g}{2l\omega^2} \right), \quad \theta = \theta_0 + \delta\theta$$

$$\ddot{\theta} = \delta\ddot{\theta}, \quad \cos \theta = \cos(\theta_0 + \delta\theta) = \cos \theta_0 - \sin \theta_0 \delta\theta$$

$$\sin \theta = \sin(\theta_0 + \delta\theta) = \sin \theta_0 + \cos \theta_0 \delta\theta$$

$$\delta\ddot{\theta} + \omega^2 \left( \frac{3g}{2l\omega^2} - \cancel{\cos \theta_0} + \sin \theta_0 \delta\theta \right) (\sin \theta_0 + \cos \theta_0 \delta\theta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta\ddot{\theta} + \omega^2 \sin^2 \theta_0 \delta\theta = 0$$

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We can investigate the stability about  $\theta_0 = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3g}{2l\Omega^2}\right)$

by perturbing the differential equation about  $\theta_0$ ,  $\theta = \theta_0 + \delta\theta$

$$(5) \Rightarrow \boxed{\delta\ddot{\theta} + \Omega^2 \sin^2\theta_0 \delta\theta = 0} \quad (8)$$

$\delta\theta$  oscillates about 0 or  $\theta$  oscillates about  $\theta_0$  with the natural frequency

$$\omega_n = |\Omega \sin\theta_0| = \sqrt{\Omega^2 (1 - \cos^2\theta_0)} = \sqrt{\Omega^2 - \left(\frac{3g}{2l\Omega}\right)^2} \quad (9)$$

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Stability of rotational motion about a principal axis. (Project)

- Free motion of a rigid body rotating about one of its principal axes

$\{\hat{e}_1, \hat{e}_2, \hat{e}_3\}$  : Principal axes at the c.m. fixed in the body

$\underline{\omega}_0 = (\omega_0 \ 0 \ 0)^T$ ;  $\omega_{01} = \omega_0 = \text{const.}$ ,  $\omega_{02} = \omega_{03} = 0$ ; Rotation about  $x_1$  axis

Problem: Analyze the free motion of the rigid body after it is given a small disturbance  $(\delta\omega_1 \ \delta\omega_2 \ \delta\omega_3)^T$ ,  $\delta\omega_i \ll \omega$ ,  $i=1,2,3$

$$M_1 = I_{11} \dot{\omega}_1 + (I_{33} - I_{22}) \omega_2 \omega_3 \quad (1a)$$

$$M_2 = I_{22} \dot{\omega}_2 + (I_{11} - I_{33}) \omega_1 \omega_3 \quad (1b) \quad \text{Euler's eqns.}$$

$$M_3 = I_{33} \dot{\omega}_3 + (I_{22} - I_{11}) \omega_1 \omega_2 \quad (1c)$$

$$(1a) \Rightarrow I_{11} \dot{\omega}_1 + (I_{33} - I_{22}) \cancel{\delta\omega_2} \overset{\approx 0}{\delta\omega_3} = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{\omega}_1 = \text{const} \Rightarrow \omega_1 = \omega_0 \quad (2)$$

$$(1b,c) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} I_{22} \dot{\omega}_2 + (I_{11} - I_{33}) \omega_0 \omega_3 = 0 & (3a) \\ I_{33} \dot{\omega}_3 + (I_{22} - I_{11}) \omega_0 \omega_2 = 0 & (3b) \end{cases}$$

where  $\omega_2, \omega_3 \ll \omega_0$

$$(3a) \Rightarrow I_{22} \ddot{\omega}_2 + (I_{11} - I_{33}) \omega_0 \dot{\omega}_3 = 0$$

$$\underline{(3b)} \Rightarrow I_{22} \ddot{\omega}_2 + (I_{11} - I_{33}) \omega_0 \frac{(I_{11} - I_{22})}{I_{33}} \omega_0 \omega_2 = 0$$

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$$\ddot{\omega}_2 + \frac{(I_{11} - I_{22})(I_{11} - I_{33})}{I_{22} I_{33}} \omega_0^2 \omega_2 = 0 \quad (4a),$$

$$\dot{\omega}_3 = \frac{I_{11} - I_{22}}{I_{33}} \omega_0 \omega_2 \quad (4b),$$

$$\dot{\omega}_2 = \frac{I_{33} - I_{11}}{I_{22}} \omega_0 \omega_3 \quad (4c)$$

$$(3) \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\omega}_2 \\ \dot{\omega}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (5a),$$

$$a = -\left[(I_{11} - I_{33})/I_{22}\right] \omega_0 \quad (5b)$$

$$b = -\left[(I_{22} - I_{11})/I_{33}\right] \omega_0$$

Eigenvalues:  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ ; Eigenvectors:  $\hat{u}_1, \hat{u}_2$

solution: 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \omega_2 \end{pmatrix} = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \hat{u}_1 + c_2 e^{\lambda_2 t} \hat{u}_2$$

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(ia)  $I_{11} = I_{33} \xRightarrow{(3a)} \dot{\omega}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \omega_2 = \text{const.}$

$(3b) \Rightarrow \dot{\omega}_3 = A = \text{const.} \Rightarrow \omega_3 = At + \omega_{30}$

(ib) similarly if  $I_{11} = I_{22} \xRightarrow{(3b)} \omega_3 = \text{const.}$

$I_{22} \dot{\omega}_2 + (I_{11} - I_{33}) \omega_0 \omega_3 = 0 \quad (3a) \Rightarrow \dot{\omega}_2 = \text{const.} = B \Rightarrow \omega_2 = Bt + \omega_{20}$



(24)

(i)  $I_{11} < I_{22}$  and  $I_{11} < I_{33}$  or  $I_{11} > I_{22}$  and  $I_{11} > I_{33}$

(4a)  $\omega_2$  is harmonic with  $\omega_n = \omega_0 \left[ \frac{(I_{11} - I_{22})(I_{11} - I_{33})}{I_{22} I_{33}} \right]^{1/2}$  (5)

If  $\omega_{02} = \omega_{03} = 0 \xrightarrow{(4)} \omega_1 = \omega_0, \omega_2 = \omega_3 = 0$

if  $\omega_{02} = \delta\omega$  and/or  $\omega_{03} = \delta\omega' \Rightarrow \omega_2$  and  $\omega_3$  are oscillating  
but the magnitude of the disturbance does not grow.

$\Rightarrow$  The rotational motion about  $x_1$  is stable.

(ii) If  $I_{22} < I_{11} < I_{33}$  or  $I_{33} < I_{11} < I_{22}$

$\omega_2$  and  $\omega_3$  : exponentially increasing (unstable motion)

### Matlab Project 1

Investigate the stability of the rotational motion about the axis  $x_2$  for a rigid body with principal moments of inertia

(i)  $I_{11} < I_{22}$  and  $I_{11} < I_{33}$  , (ii)  $I_{11} > I_{22}$  and  $I_{11} > I_{33}$

(iii)  $I_{22} < I_{11} < I_{33}$  , (iv)  $I_{33} < I_{11} < I_{22}$