

Lecture 16

Rigid body kinetics: Problem formulation; Rigid bodies in space.

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Problem formulation

Aim: Find *location* and *orientation* of a rigid body given forces and moments acting.

I. Draw a neat and correct *FBD*.

II. *Laws of motion:* $\sum \mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}^G$ (LMB)

$$\mathbf{M}^G = \boldsymbol{\omega}^{\mathcal{B}} \times (\mathbf{I}^G \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}^{\mathcal{B}}) + \mathbf{I}^G \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\mathcal{B}} \quad (\text{AMB})$$

III. *Kinematic analysis* to include constraints.

IV. Relate kinematic variables $\mathbf{a}^G, \boldsymbol{\omega}^{\mathcal{B}}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\mathcal{B}}$ to *location* and *orientation* of the rigid body:

Location: $\mathbf{a}^G = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{v}^G, \mathbf{v}^G = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{r}^{G/O}$.

Orientation: Use Euler angle seq., e.g. 3-1-3.

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\mathcal{B}} = \frac{d}{dt} \boldsymbol{\omega}^{\mathcal{B}}, \quad \begin{cases} \dot{\phi} = (\omega_1 \sin \psi + \omega_2 \cos \psi) \csc \theta \\ \dot{\theta} = \omega_1 \cos \psi - \omega_2 \sin \psi \\ \dot{\psi} = -(\omega_1 \sin \psi + \omega_2 \cos \psi) \cot \theta + \omega_3 \end{cases}$$

V. **Integrate** ODEs to find $\mathbf{r}^{G/O}(t), \{\phi, \theta, \psi\}(t)$

1. *Initial conditions:* $12 = 3 \times 2 + 3 \times 2$.



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Spacecrafts & Missiles



The Mysore Rocket Man

Rigid body in space

I. LMB: $\sum \mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}^G = \mathbf{0} \implies G \text{ is fixed.}$

II. AMB_G: $\mathbf{M}^G = \mathbf{0} = \frac{d\mathbf{h}^G}{dt} \implies \mathbf{h}^G = \underline{\text{const.}}$
 $\implies \mathbf{M}^G = \mathbf{0} = \boldsymbol{\omega}^{\mathcal{B}} \times (\mathbf{I}^G \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}^{\mathcal{B}}) + \mathbf{I}^G \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\mathcal{B}}$

III. How to define inertial CS \mathcal{E}_0 ?

1. Locate *origin* at G , as it is fixed.
2. Align $\hat{\mathbf{E}}_3$ with \mathbf{h}^G ; others normal to $\hat{\mathbf{E}}_3$.

IV. Principal CS of \mathbf{I}^G set as BFCS $\{\mathcal{E}, G, \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i\}$:

1. $\mathbf{I}^G = I_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \otimes \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + I_2 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 \otimes \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 + I_3 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 \otimes \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1$
2. Let $\boldsymbol{\omega}^{\mathcal{B}} = \omega_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i$ and $\boldsymbol{\alpha}^{\mathcal{B}} = \alpha_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i = \dot{\omega}_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i$.

V. AMB_G \implies
$$(Euler's \text{ equations}) \underbrace{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 = I_1 \dot{\omega}_1 - (I_2 - I_3) \omega_2 \omega_3 \\ 0 = I_2 \dot{\omega}_2 - (I_3 - I_1) \omega_3 \omega_1 \\ 0 = I_3 \dot{\omega}_3 - (I_1 - I_2) \omega_1 \omega_2 \end{array} \right\}}_{\text{In BFCS}}$$

Rigid body in space

I. **Special case.** Symmetric body: $I_1 = I_2 = I_o$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 0 &= I_o \dot{\omega}_1 - (I_o - I_3) \omega_2 \omega_3 \\ 0 &= I_o \dot{\omega}_2 - (I_3 - I_o) \omega_3 \omega_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ and } 0 = I_3 \dot{\omega}_3$$

II. **Solve:** $\omega_3 = \Omega_0$. With $\nu = \Omega_0(I_3 - I_o)/I_o$,

$$\omega_1 = \omega_0 \cos(\nu t + \phi); \quad \omega_2 = \omega_0 \sin(\nu t + \phi).$$

III. Use 3-1-3 Euler angle sequence:

$$\dot{\phi} = \omega_0 \sin\{\nu t + \psi(t) + \phi\} \csc \theta(t)$$

$$\dot{\theta} = \omega_0 \cos\{\nu t + \psi(t) + \phi\}$$

$$\dot{\psi} = \Omega_0 - \omega_0 \sin\{\nu t + \psi(t) + \phi\} \cot \theta(t)$$

IV. Sol. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{\theta} = 0 \implies \theta(t) = \theta_0, (\because \mathbf{h}^G \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 = \text{const.}) \\ \dot{\phi} = p = \omega_0 \csc \theta_0 \implies \varphi(t) = pt + \varphi_0 \\ \dot{\psi} = s = \Omega_0 - \omega_0 \cot \theta_0 \implies \psi(t) = st + \psi_0 \end{array} \right.$

V. Given: $\mathbf{h}^G = H \hat{\mathbf{E}}_3$, $E_k = T \implies p = H/I_o$;

$$s = H \cos \theta_0 \frac{I_o - I_3}{I_o I_3}; \cos \theta_0 = \left| \frac{I_o I_3}{I_o - I_3} \left(\frac{2T}{H^2} - \frac{1}{I_o} \right) \right|^{1/2}$$

We call p : Precession, s : Spin

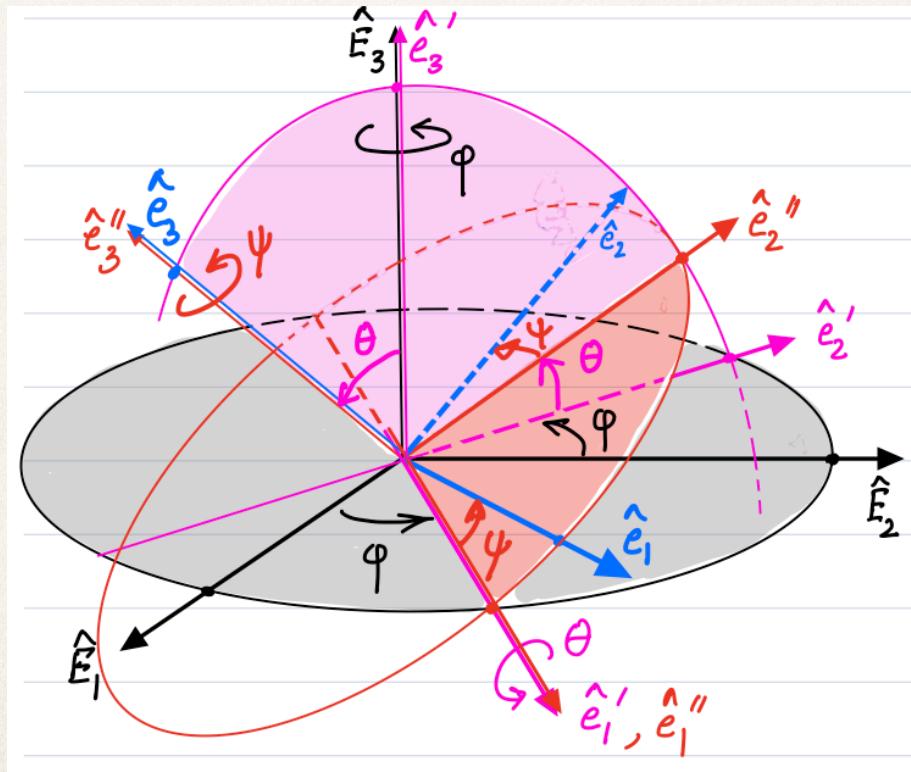
Rigid body in space

- I. Symmetric body with $\mathbf{h}^G = \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{E}}_3$, $E_k = \mathbf{T}$.
- II. 3-1-3 Euler angle sequence:

$$\begin{cases} \theta(t) = \theta_0 \\ \dot{\phi} = p \\ \dot{\psi} = s \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \omega_1 = p \sin \theta_0 \sin \psi(t); \\ \omega_2 = p \sin \theta_0 \cos \psi(t) \\ \omega_3 = s + p \cos \theta_0 \end{cases}$$

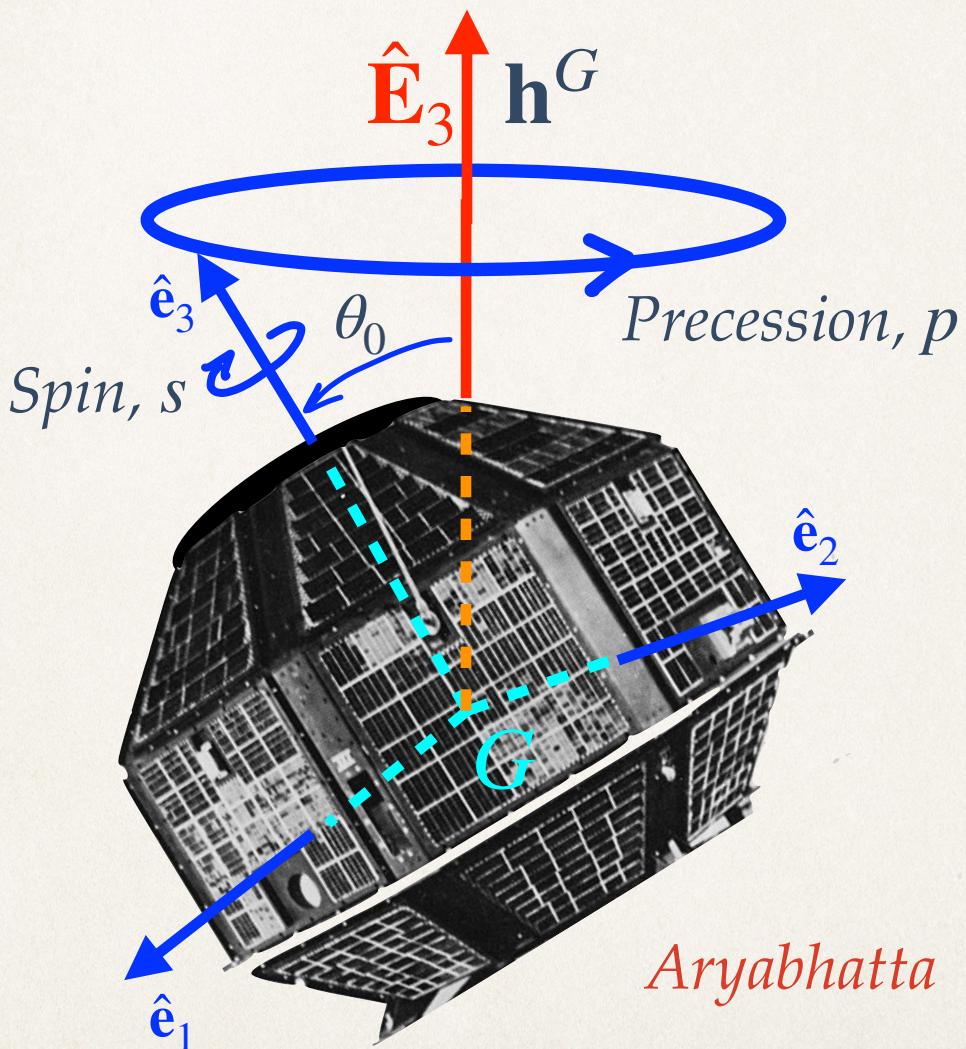
Precession: $p = H/I_o$, Spin: $s = H \cos \theta_0 \frac{I_o - I_3}{I_o I_3}$

Tilt: $\cos \theta_0 = \left| \frac{I_o I_3}{I_o - I_3} \left(\frac{2T}{H^2} - \frac{1}{I_o} \right) \right|^{1/2}$



Case I: Spacecrafts

- I. Generally, $I_1 = I_2 = I_o \leq I_3$.
- II. We have $s = p \cos \theta_0 (I_o - I_3)/I_3 \implies$
 - 1. *precession* p and *spin* s are in opposite direction \implies *Retrograde* motion.



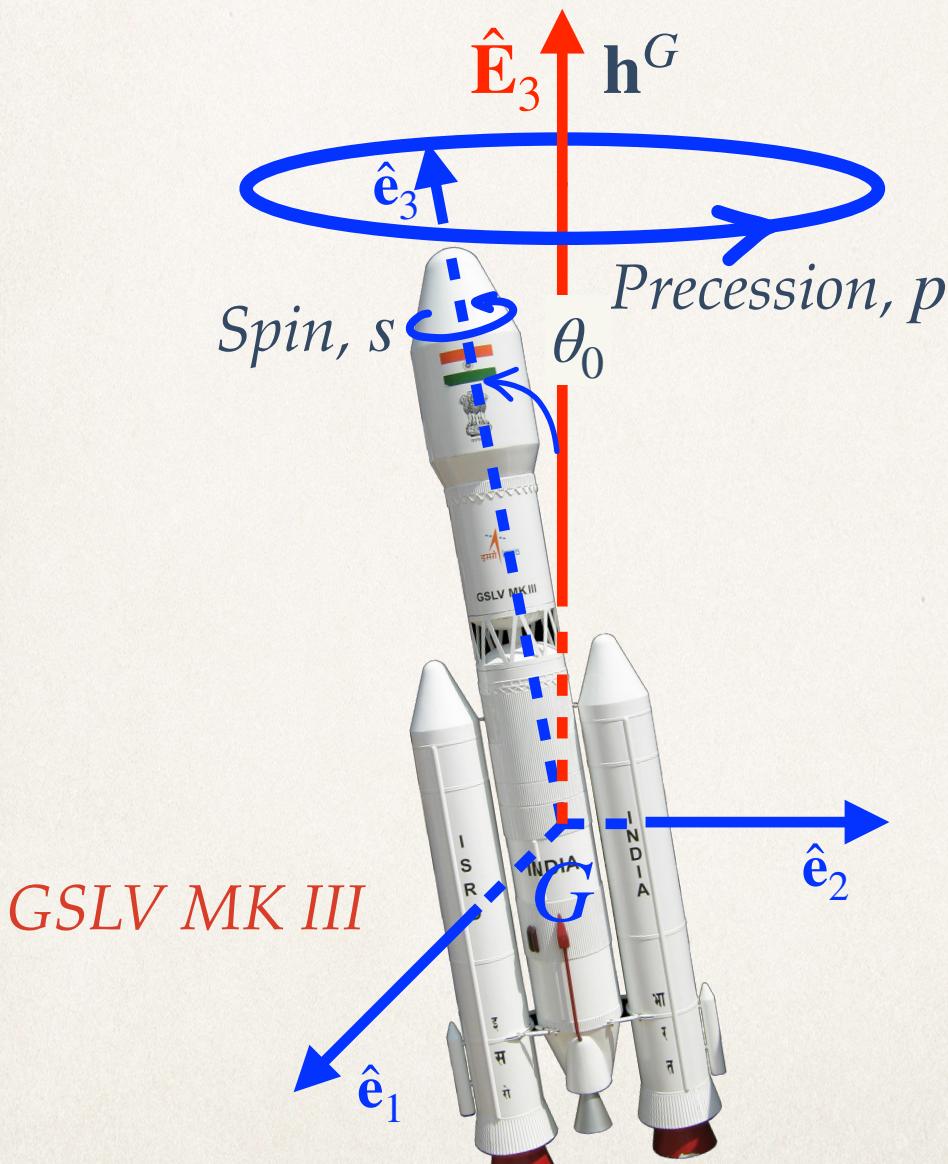


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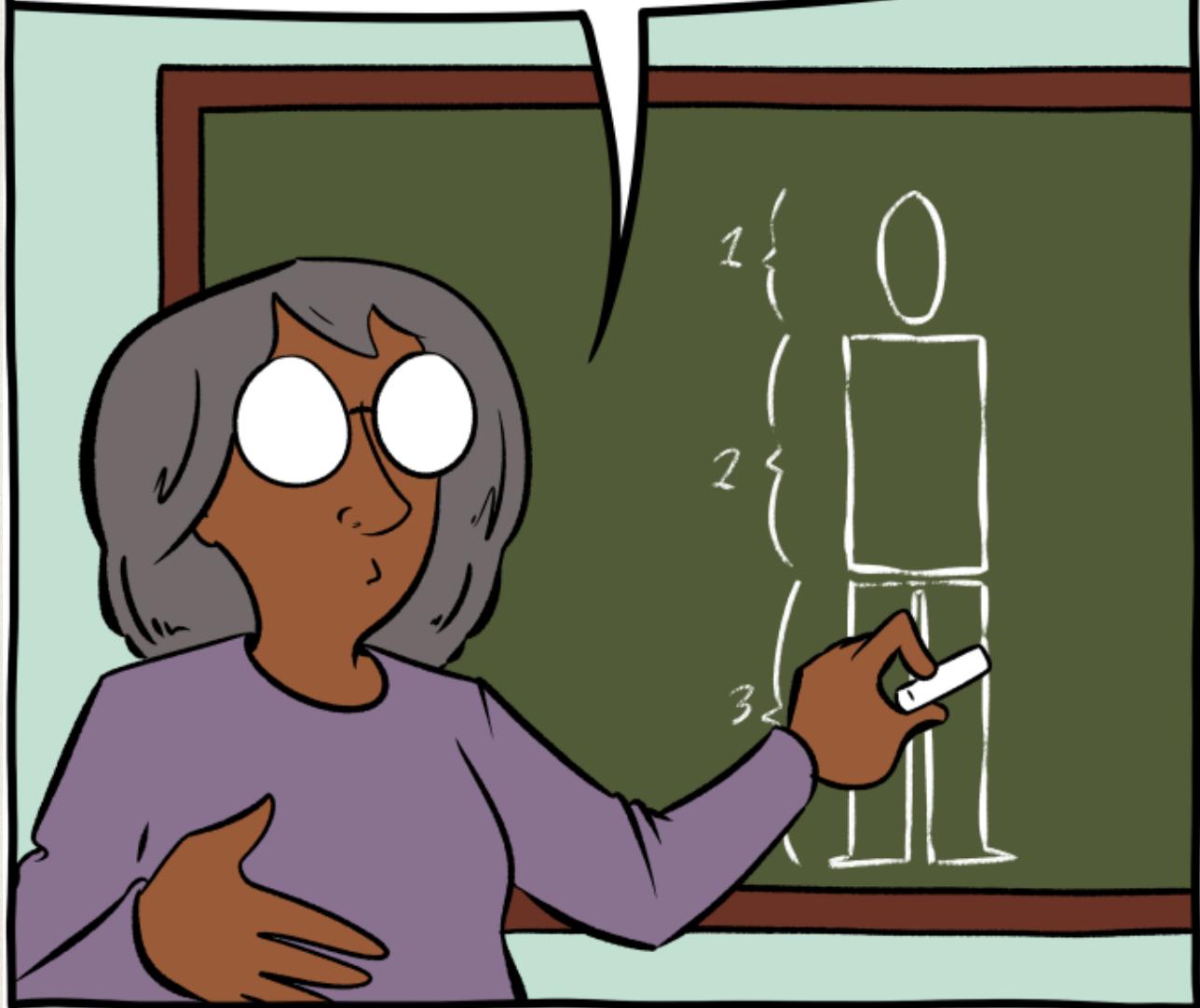
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Case II: Rockets

- I. In this case, $I_1 = I_2 = I_o \geq I_3 \implies$
- II. We have $s = p \cos \theta_0 (I_o - I_3)/I_3 \implies$
 1. *precession* p and *spin* s are in same direction \implies *Prograde* motion.



ONCE MY LEGS GET TIRED, I'LL JETTISON THEM, DECREASING THE TOTAL MASS MY ARMS HAVE TO MOVE. THEN, 100 METERS FROM THE FINISH LINE, WE JETTISON THE ARMS AND TORSO, ALLOWING MY HEAD TO MAKE IT ACROSS THE FINISH LINE USING MINIMUM ENERGY.



Fun fact:
No rocket scientist has ever won a marathon.