

## TAM 212. Midterm 2 Practice. Mar 25, 2013. (V2)

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- No electronic devices allowed.
- This is a 2 hour exam.
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- There are several different versions of this exam.
- The notation  $\vec{r}_{PQ}$  denotes the position vector from  $P$  to  $Q$ .

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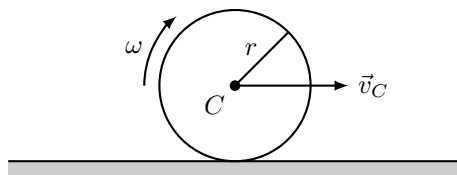
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### 3. Fill in the following answers on the Scantron form:

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1. (1 point) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 2$  m is rolling without slipping on a flat surface in 2D as shown. The speed of the center is  $v_C = 6$  m/s.



What is the angular velocity  $\omega$ ?

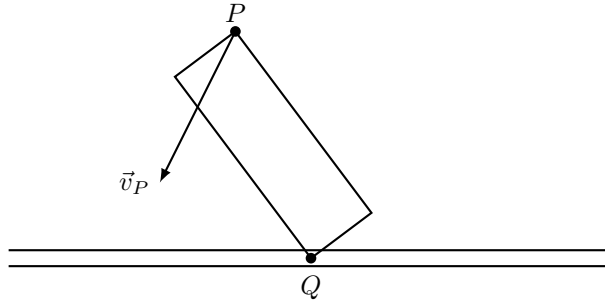
- (A)  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 3 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $4 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega$
- (E) ★  $3 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 4 \text{ rad/s}$

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**Solution.**  $v_c = r\omega$  so  $\omega = v_c/r = 6/2 = 3 \text{ rad/s}$ .

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2. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = \omega \hat{k}$ . A pin at point  $Q$  constrains that point to move in a horizontal slot.



Point  $P$  on the body has:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PQ} &= \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{v}_P &= -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m/s.}\end{aligned}$$

What is the speed  $v_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A) ★  $4 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q$
- (B)  $1 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 2 \text{ m/s}$
- (C)  $2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 3 \text{ m/s}$
- (D)  $3 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 4 \text{ m/s}$
- (E)  $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 1 \text{ m/s}$

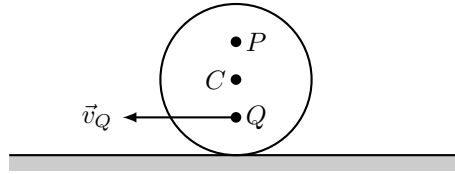
**Solution.** Taking  $\vec{v}_Q = v_Q \hat{i}$  with unknown speed  $v_Q$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ v_Q \hat{i} &= -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}) \\ &= -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\omega \hat{i} + \omega \hat{j} \\ &= (-1 + 3\omega) \hat{i} + (-2 + \omega) \hat{j}\end{aligned}$$

Equating components and solving gives:

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= -2 + \omega \\ \implies \omega &= 2 \text{ rad/s} \\ v_Q &= -1 + 3\omega \\ &= 5 \text{ m/s.}\end{aligned}$$

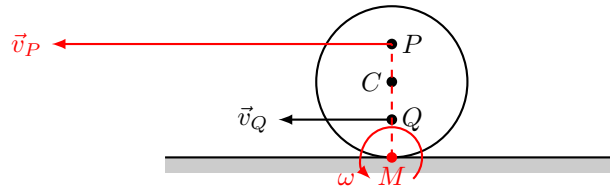
3. (1 point) A circular rigid body is rolling without slipping on a flat surface in 2D as shown. The velocity of point  $Q$  is  $\vec{v}_Q = -\hat{i}$  m/s.



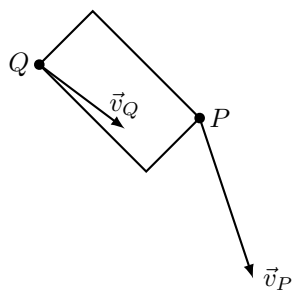
What is the  $\hat{i}$  component  $v_{Px}$  of point  $P$ ?

- (A)  $2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_{Px}$
- (B)  $-2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_{Px} < 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (C)  $v_{Px} = 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (D) ★  $v_{Px} < -2 \text{ m/s}$
- (E)  $0 \text{ m/s} < v_{Px} < 2 \text{ m/s}$

**Solution.** Consider the instantaneous center  $M$  at the contact point. Now  $r_{MP} \approx 3r_{MQ}$ , so  $v_P \approx 3v_Q \approx 3 \text{ m/s}$ , and  $\vec{v}_P$  has the same direction as  $\vec{v}_Q$  (the body is rolling counterclockwise), so  $\vec{v}_P \approx -3\hat{i} \text{ m/s}$ .



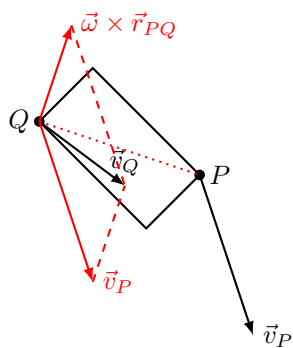
4. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below.



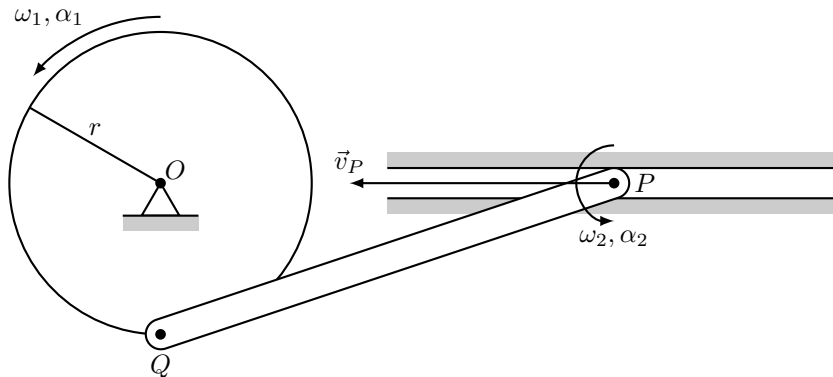
What is the direction of the angular velocity of the body?

- (A) ★ ↻ (clockwise)
- (B) ↺ (counterclockwise)

**Solution.** Considering the required term  $\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}$  shows that it is up-right, so considering rotation about  $P$  we see that  $\omega$  is clockwise.



5. (1 point) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 2$  m rotates about the fixed center  $O$  as shown. A rigid rod connects pins  $P$  and  $Q$ , and point  $P$  is constrained to only move horizontally. Point  $P$  has velocity  $\vec{v}_P = -4\hat{i}$  m/s and acceleration  $\vec{a}_P = 0$ . The angular velocity and angular acceleration of the circular body are  $\vec{\omega}_1 = \omega_1\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{\alpha}_1 = \alpha_1\hat{k}$ , while those of the rod are  $\vec{\omega}_2 = \omega_2\hat{k}$  and  $\vec{\alpha}_2 = \alpha_2\hat{k}$ .



The position vectors are:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{OQ} &= -2\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{r}_{PQ} &= -6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m}.\end{aligned}$$

What is  $\alpha_1$ ?

- (A)  $-1 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha_1 < 0 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (B)  $0 \text{ rad/s}^2 < \alpha_1 < 1 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (C)  $\alpha_1 = 0 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (D) ★  $\alpha_1 < -1 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (E)  $1 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha_1$

**Solution.** We first use the fact that  $\vec{v}_Q = -v_Q\hat{i}$  to find:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ -v_Q\hat{i} &= -4\hat{i} + \omega_2\hat{k} \times (-6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) \\ (4 - v_Q)\hat{i} &= 2\omega_2\hat{i} - 6\omega_2\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

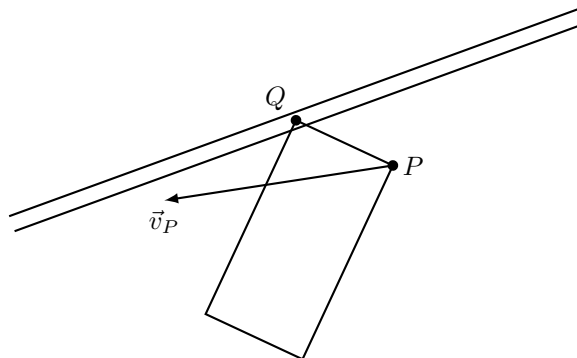
Comparing  $\hat{j}$  components shows that  $\omega_2 = 0$  and  $v_Q = 4$  m/s, so  $\omega_1 = -4/2 = -2$  rad/s. The fact that  $\vec{v}_P = \vec{v}_Q$  could have also been realized from the fact that  $\vec{v}_P$  and  $\vec{v}_Q$  are parallel and offset, so there is no instantaneous center and thus no rotation.

Now we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_Q \\ \vec{a}_O + \vec{\alpha}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OQ} + \vec{\omega}_1 \times (\vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OQ}) &= \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega}_2 \times (\vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ 0 + \alpha_1\hat{k} \times (-2\hat{j}) - \omega_1^2(-2\hat{j}) &= 0 + \alpha_2\hat{k} \times (-6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) + 0 \\ 2\alpha_1\hat{i} + 2\omega_1^2\hat{j} &= 2\alpha_2\hat{i} - 6\alpha_2\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

Equating components shows that  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = -\omega_1^2/3 = -4/3 \approx -1.33$  rad/s<sup>2</sup>.

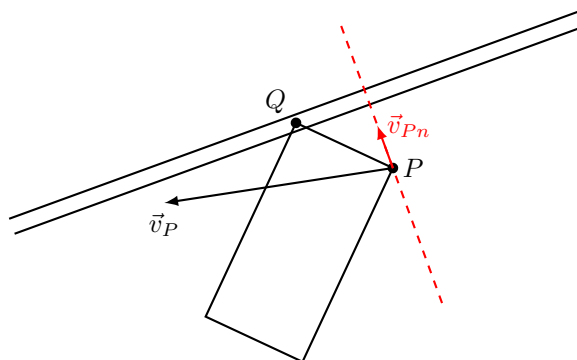
6. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below, with point  $Q$  constrained to move in the angled slot.



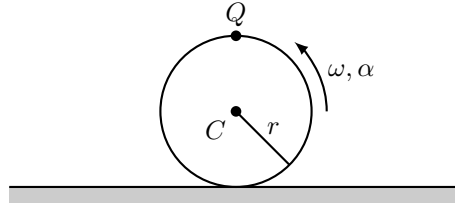
What is the direction of the angular velocity of the body?

- (A)  $\odot$  (clockwise)
- (B)  $\star \odot$  (counterclockwise)

**Solution.** The normal component of  $\vec{v}_P$  is towards the slot, so  $P$  is moving closer to the slot. This means the line  $PQ$ , and hence the entire body, must be rotating counterclockwise.



7. (1 point) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 1$  m is rolling without slipping with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = 2\hat{k}$  on a flat surface in 2D as shown. The body is speeding up and has angular acceleration  $\vec{\alpha} = \alpha\hat{k}$ . Point  $Q$  is at the top of the body and has acceleration magnitude  $a_Q = 5$  m/s<sup>2</sup>.



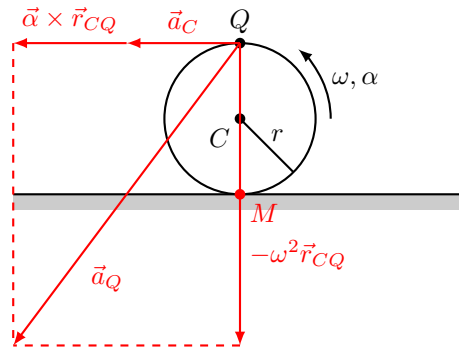
What is  $\alpha$ ?

- (A)  $1 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$   
 (B) ★  $1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 2 \text{ rad/s}^2$   
 (C)  $0.5 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 1 \text{ rad/s}^2$   
 (D)  $0 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 0.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$   
 (E)  $2 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha$

**Solution.** The acceleration of  $Q$  is:

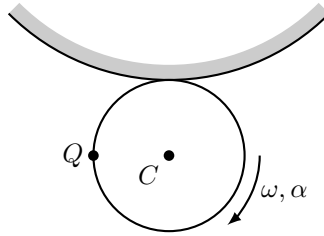
$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_C + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}) \\
 &= -r\alpha \hat{i} + \alpha \hat{k} \times r\hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (\omega \hat{k} \times r\hat{j}) \\
 &= -r\alpha \hat{i} - r\alpha \hat{i} - r\omega^2 \hat{j} \\
 &= -2r\alpha \hat{i} - r\omega^2 \hat{j} \\
 &= -2\alpha \hat{i} - 4\hat{j}.
 \end{aligned}$$

To have  $a_Q = 5$  we need  $5^2 = (2\alpha)^2 + 4^2$ , so  $\alpha = 1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$ .





8. (1 point) A circular rigid body is rolling without slipping on a curved surface in 2D as shown. At the current instant the body is rotating clockwise and rate of rotation is increasing ( $\omega$  and  $\alpha$  are both positive in the direction shown), such that  $r\alpha = r\omega^2$ .



What is the direction of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $\leftarrow$
- (B)  $\rightarrow$
- (C)  $\star \uparrow$
- (D)  $\nearrow$
- (E)  $\nwarrow$

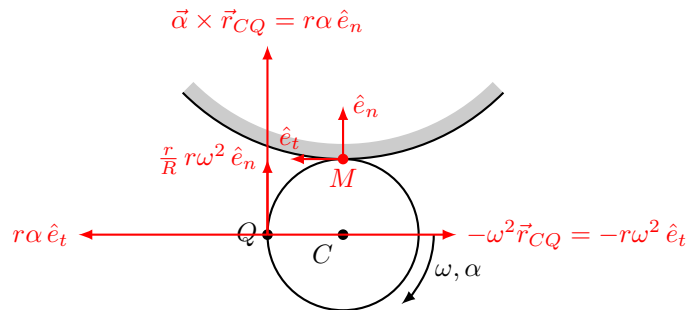
**Solution.** The acceleration of point  $C$  is

$$\vec{a}_C = r\alpha \hat{e}_t + \frac{(r\omega)^2}{R} \hat{e}_n$$

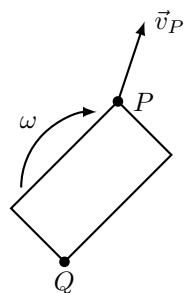
and using this we find the acceleration components at  $Q$  are:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_C + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}) \\ &= r\alpha \hat{e}_t + \frac{r}{R} r\omega^2 \hat{e}_n + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}) \\ &= r\alpha \hat{e}_t + \frac{r}{R} r\omega^2 \hat{e}_n + r\alpha \hat{e}_n - r\omega^2 \hat{e}_t \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{r}{R}\right) r\alpha \hat{e}_n. \end{aligned}$$

Because  $r\alpha = r\omega^2$ , the horizontal components cancel and we are left with a purely vertical acceleration upwards at  $Q$ .



9. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown, with a clockwise rotation ( $\omega$  is positive in the direction indicated). The angular velocity  $\omega$ , distance  $r_{PQ}$ , and speed  $v_P$  satisfy  $\omega r_{PQ} = 2v_P$ .

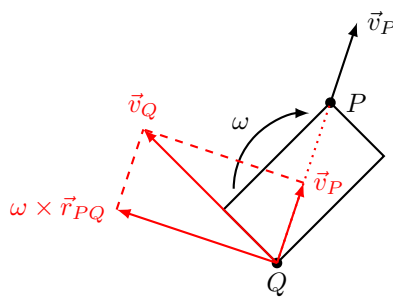


What is the direction of  $\vec{v}_Q$ ?

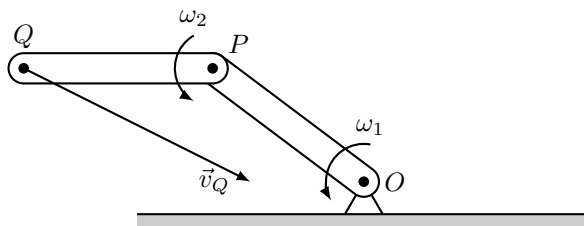
- (A) ↗
- (B) ↘
- (C) ★ ↖
- (D) ↙

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**Solution.**



10. (1 point) Two rods are connected with pin joints at  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  as shown. Rod  $OP$  has angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_1 = \omega_1 \hat{k}$  and rod  $PQ$  has angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_2 = \omega_2 \hat{k}$ .



The positions and velocities at the current instant are:

$$\vec{r}_{OP} = -4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{r}_{PQ} = -5\hat{i} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{v}_Q = 6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} \text{ m/s.}$$

What is  $\omega_1$ ?

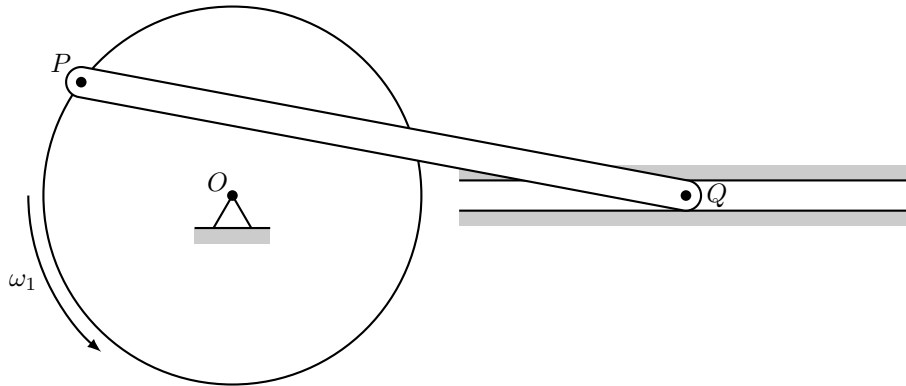
- (A)  $\omega_1 = 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_1$
- (C)  $0 \text{ rad/s} < \omega_1 < 1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $-1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_1 < 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E) ★  $\omega_1 < -1 \text{ rad/s}$

**Solution.** Starting from  $\vec{v}_O = 0$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}_P &= \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} \\ &= -3\omega_1 \hat{i} - 4\omega_1 \hat{j} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ 6\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} &= -3\omega_1 \hat{i} + (-4\omega_1 - 5\omega_2) \hat{j}. \end{aligned}$$

Comparing  $\hat{i}$  components gives  $\omega_1 = -2 \text{ rad/s}$ .

11. (1 point) A circular rigid body rotates about the fixed center  $O$  with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_1 = 2\hat{k}$  rad/s as shown. A rigid rod connects pins  $P$  and  $Q$ , and point  $Q$  is constrained to only move horizontally.



At the current instant the positions are:

$$\vec{r}_{OP} = -4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{r}_{PQ} = 16\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} \text{ m.}$$

What is the speed  $v_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

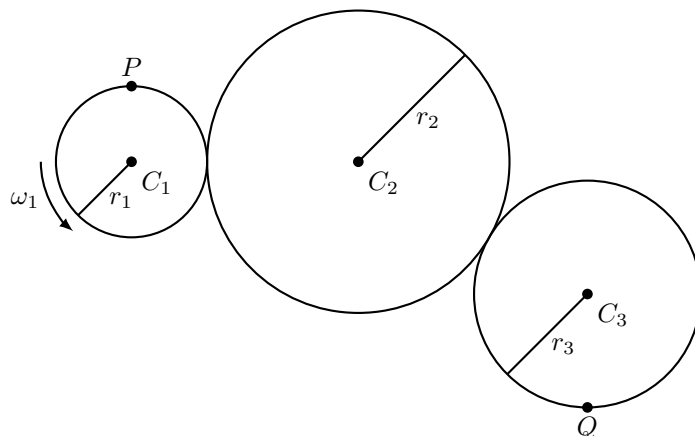
- (A)  $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 3 \text{ m/s}$
- (B)  $9 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 12 \text{ m/s}$
- (C)  $6 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 9 \text{ m/s}$
- (D) ★  $3 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 6 \text{ m/s}$
- (E)  $12 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q$

**Solution.** Let the unknown angular velocity of the rod be  $\vec{\omega}_2 = \omega_2\hat{k}$ . Starting from the fixed point  $O$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}_P &= \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} \\ &= 0 + 2\hat{k} \times (-4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) \\ &= -6\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ &= (-6\hat{i} - 8\hat{j}) + \omega_2\hat{k} \times (16\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}) \\ &= (-6 + 3\omega_2)\hat{i} + (-8 + 16\omega_2)\hat{j}. \end{aligned}$$

Zero vertical velocity for  $Q$  gives  $-8 + 16\omega_2 = 0$ , so  $\omega_2 = 0.5$  rad/s and  $\vec{v}_Q = -4.5\hat{i}$  m/s, giving a speed of  $v_Q = 4.5$  m/s.

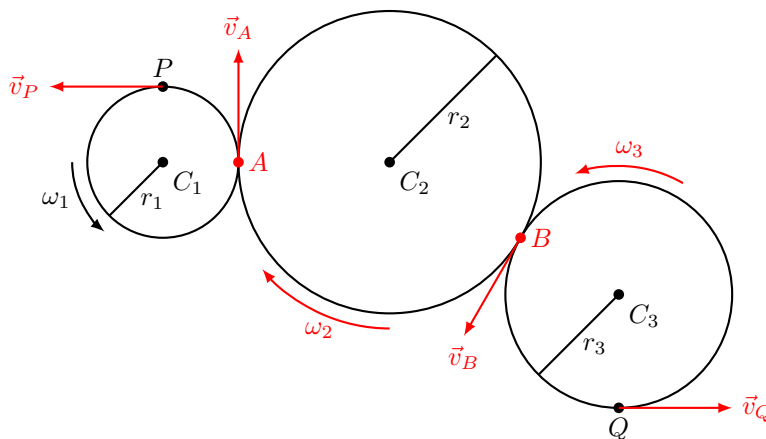
12. (1 point) Three meshed gears rotate about fixed centers as shown. The radii are  $r_1 = 2$  m,  $r_2 = 4$  m, and  $r_3 = 3$  m and the gear at  $C_1$  is rotating counterclockwise as shown.



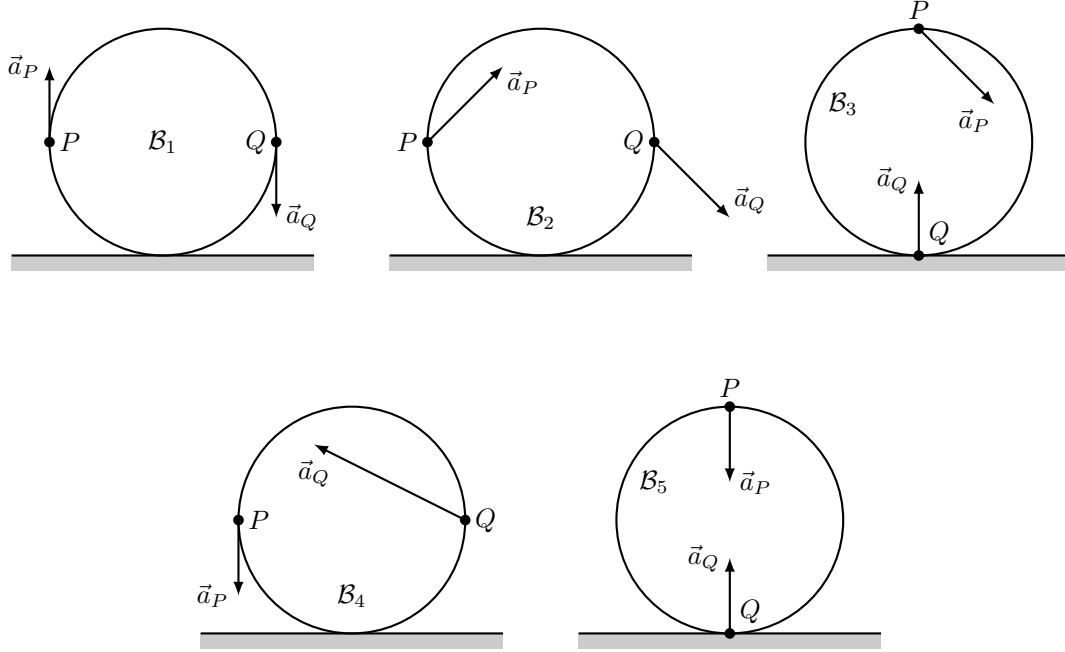
What is the relationship between the speeds  $v_P$  and  $v_Q$  of points  $P$  and  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $v_P > v_Q$
- (B)  $v_P < v_Q$
- (C) ★  $v_P = v_Q$

**Solution.** Each gear is a circular rigid body with fixed center, so all points on the edge have speed  $v = r\omega$  with directions as shown below. Thus  $v_P = v_A = v_B = v_Q$ .



13. (1 point) Five circular rigid bodies are rolling without slipping as shown, with the accelerations of points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the bodies as drawn.



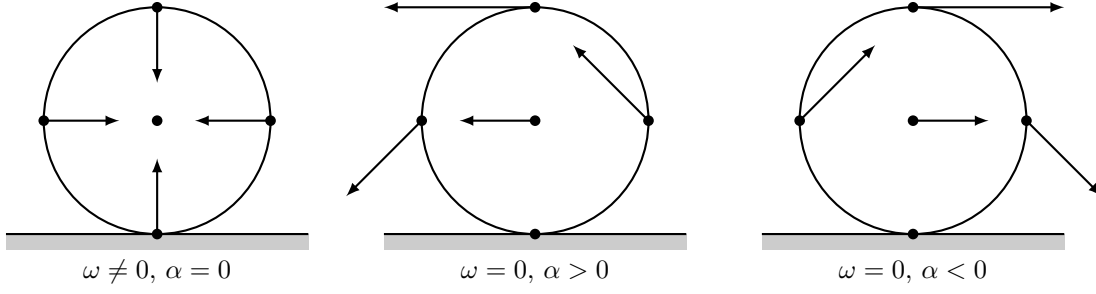
Which body does *not* have physically possible accelerations for points  $P$  and  $Q$ ?

- (A) ★  $B_1$
- (B)  $B_4$
- (C)  $B_2$
- (D)  $B_5$
- (E)  $B_3$

**Solution.** The acceleration of a rolling body is determined by the angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = \omega \hat{k}$  and the angular acceleration  $\vec{\alpha} = \alpha \hat{k}$ . Taking  $C$  to be the center and  $P$  to be the contact point, any point  $Q$  on the body has acceleration:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_C + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}) \\
 &= \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PC} + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} - \omega^2 \vec{r}_{CQ} \\
 &= \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} - \omega^2 \vec{r}_{CQ} \\
 &= r\alpha \hat{r}_{PQ}^\perp - r\omega^2 \hat{r}_{CQ}.
 \end{aligned}$$

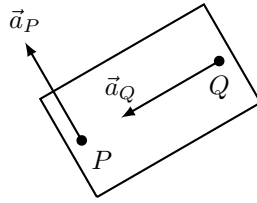
Thus  $\alpha$  causes rotational acceleration about the contact point, while  $\omega$  causes centripetal acceleration towards the center, as shown below.



Combining these, we see that:

- Body  $\mathcal{B}_1$  is not possible.
  - Body  $\mathcal{B}_2$  has  $\omega = 0$  and  $\alpha < 0$ , and it is possible.
  - Body  $\mathcal{B}_3$  has  $\omega \neq 0$  and  $\alpha < 0$  so that  $2r|\alpha| = r\omega^2$ , and it is possible.
  - Body  $\mathcal{B}_4$  has  $\omega \neq 0$  and  $\alpha > 0$  so that  $r\alpha = r\omega^2$ , and it is possible.
  - Body  $\mathcal{B}_5$  has  $\omega \neq 0$  and  $\alpha = 0$ , and it is possible.
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14. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below. The accelerations of points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body are as shown.



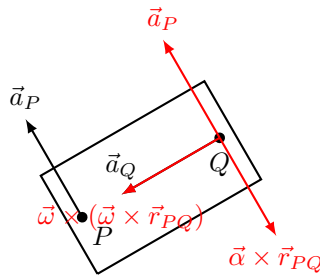
What is the direction of the angular acceleration  $\alpha$  of the body?

- (A)  $\star \odot$  (clockwise)
- (B)  $\odot$  (counterclockwise)

**Solution.** Starting from  $P$ , the acceleration of  $Q$  is:

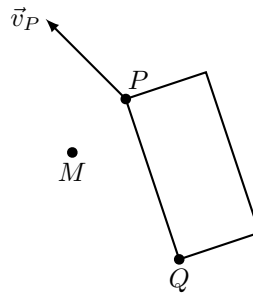
$$\vec{a}_Q = \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}).$$

Drawing the directions of the acceleration terms at  $Q$  shows that  $\vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}$  must be down-right, so  $\alpha$  must be clockwise.





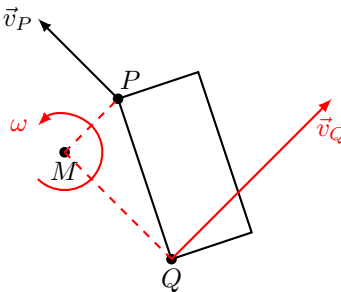
15. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with points  $P$  and  $Q$  attached to the body. The instantaneous center of the body is at point  $M$ .



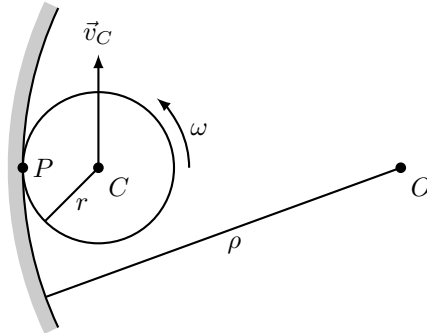
What is the direction of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A) ★ ↗
- (B) ↙
- (C) ↘
- (D) ↖

**Solution.** The direction of  $\vec{v}_P$  shows that  $\omega$  is counterclockwise. Then  $\vec{v}_Q$  is orthogonal to  $\vec{r}_{MQ}$  in a counterclockwise direction, so it is up-right.



16. (1 point) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 2$  m is rolling without slipping on a curved surface with radius of curvature  $\rho$  in 2D as shown. The angular velocity of the body is a constant  $\vec{\omega} = 2\hat{k}$  rad/s. Point  $P$  is fixed to the edge of the body and, at the instant shown, is the contact point. The magnitude of acceleration of  $P$  is  $a_P = 10$  rad/s<sup>2</sup>.



What is the radius of curvature  $\rho$  of the surface?

- (A) ★  $9 \text{ m} \leq \rho < 12 \text{ m}$
- (B)  $12 \text{ m} \leq \rho$
- (C)  $3 \text{ m} \leq \rho < 6 \text{ m}$
- (D)  $0 \text{ m} \leq \rho < 3 \text{ m}$
- (E)  $6 \text{ m} \leq \rho < 9 \text{ m}$

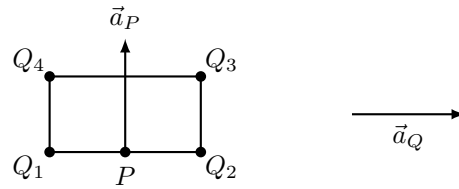
**Solution.** Because we are rolling on the inside,  $R = \rho - r$ , giving:

$$a_P = \frac{\rho}{R} r \omega^2$$

$$10 = \frac{\rho}{\rho - 2} 2 \times 2^2$$

$$\rho = 10 \text{ m.}$$

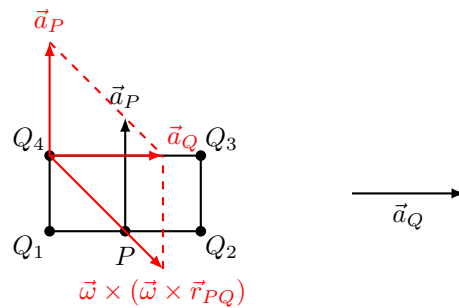
17. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with zero angular acceleration and some angular velocity. The acceleration of point  $P$  is shown, as is the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of one of the  $Q_i$  points.



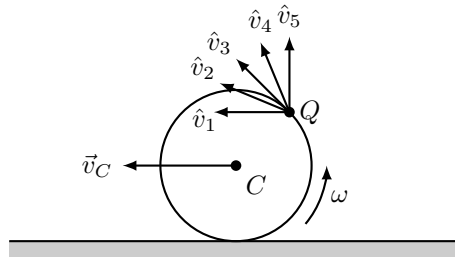
Which point  $Q_i$  has the given acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$ ?

- (A) ★  $Q_4$
- (B)  $Q_1$
- (C)  $Q_2$
- (D)  $Q_3$

**Solution.** Only at  $Q_4$  will the  $\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ})$  term have both negative  $\hat{j}$  component (to cancel out  $\vec{a}_P$ ) and positive  $\hat{i}$  component (to give  $\vec{a}_Q$ ).



18. (1 point) A circular rigid body is rolling without slipping on a flat surface in 2D in a counterclockwise direction as shown.



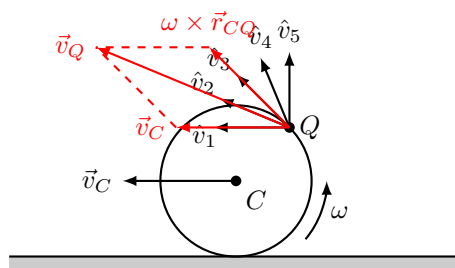
What is the direction of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $\hat{v}_1$
- (B)  $\hat{v}_4$
- (C) ★  $\hat{v}_2$
- (D)  $\hat{v}_5$
- (E)  $\hat{v}_3$

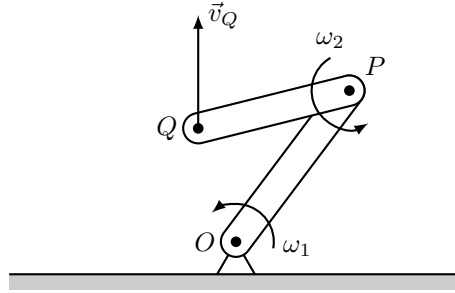
**Solution.** Starting from point  $C$ , the velocity at point  $Q$  is given by:

$$\vec{v}_Q = \vec{v}_C + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}.$$

The two terms on the right hand side above both have magnitude  $\omega r$ , where  $r$  is the radius of the body. The  $\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}$  term is orthogonal to  $\vec{r}_{CQ}$  (in the  $\hat{v}_3$  direction), while the  $\vec{v}_C$  term is in the  $\hat{v}_1$  direction. Adding the two terms thus gives a resultant  $\vec{v}_Q$  exactly half way between  $\hat{v}_1$  and  $\hat{v}_3$ , which is the  $\hat{v}_2$  direction.



19. (1 point) Two rods are connected with pin joints at  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  as shown. Rod  $OP$  has angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_1 = -\hat{k}$  rad/s and rod  $PQ$  has angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_2 = \omega_2 \hat{k}$ .



The velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$  is directly upwards and the positions of the rods are:

$$\vec{r}_{OP} = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{r}_{PQ} = -4\hat{i} - \hat{j} \text{ m}$$

What is the speed  $v_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

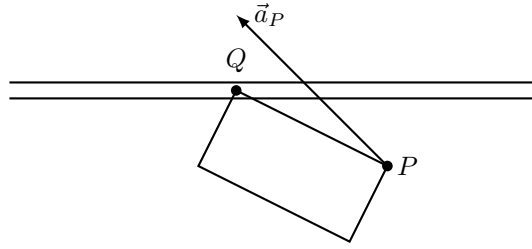
- (A)  $9 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 12 \text{ m/s}$
- (B)  $3 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 6 \text{ m/s}$
- (C)  $6 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 9 \text{ m/s}$
- (D) ★  $12 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q$
- (E)  $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 3 \text{ m/s}$

**Solution.** Starting from  $\vec{v}_O = 0$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_P &= \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} \\ &= 4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ &= (4 + \omega_2)\hat{i} + (-3 - 4\omega_2)\hat{j} \text{ m/s.}\end{aligned}$$

Zero horizontal component implies  $4 + \omega_2 = 0$ , so  $\omega_2 = -4$  rad/s. Then  $\vec{v}_Q = 13\hat{j}$  m/s, giving  $v_Q = 13$  m/s.

20. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = \omega \hat{k}$  and zero angular acceleration. A pin at point  $Q$  constrains that point to move in a horizontal slot.



Point  $P$  on the body has:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PQ} &= -2\hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{a}_P &= -2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} \text{ m/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$

What is the magnitude  $a_Q$  of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $1 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_Q < 2 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (B)  $3 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_Q < 4 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (C)  $0 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_Q < 1 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (D)  $4 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_Q$
- (E) ★  $2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_Q < 3 \text{ m/s}^2$

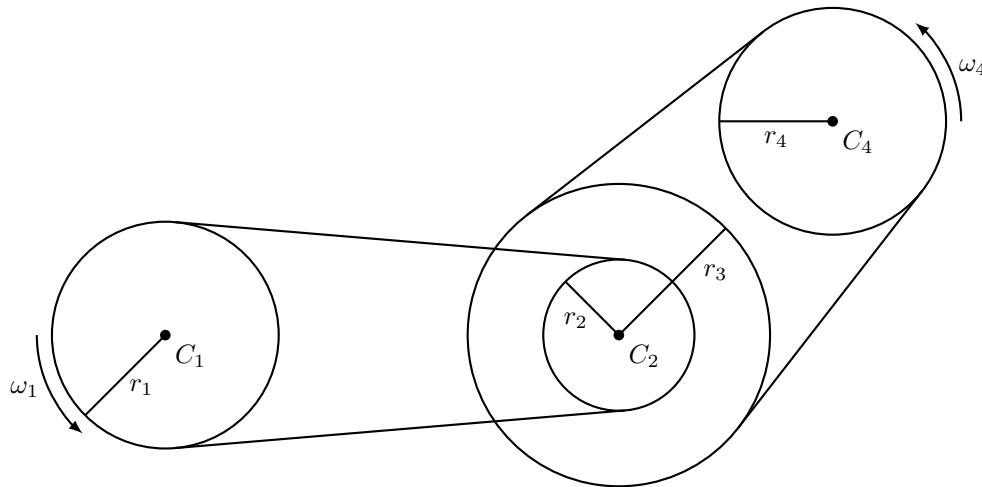
**Solution.** Taking  $\vec{a}_Q = a_Q \hat{i}$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ a_Q \hat{i} &= -2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (\omega \hat{k} \times (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j})) \\ &= -2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\omega^2 \hat{i} - \omega^2 \hat{j} \\ &= (-2 + 2\omega^2) \hat{i} + (2 - \omega^2) \hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

Equating components and solving gives:

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= 2 - \omega^2 \\ \implies \omega^2 &= 2 \\ a_Q &= -2 + 2\omega^2 \\ &= 2 \text{ m/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$

21. (1 point) Four gears are positioned with fixed centers and two chains connect pairs of gears as shown. The gears have radii  $r_1 = 3$  m,  $r_2 = 2$  m,  $r_3 = 4$  m, and  $r_4 = 3$  m, and the two gears centered at  $C_2$  are locked together so they have the same angular velocity. The gear centered at  $C_1$  has angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_1 = 3\hat{k}$  rad/s, while the gear at  $C_4$  has angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_4 = \omega_4\hat{k}$ .



What is  $\omega_4$ ?

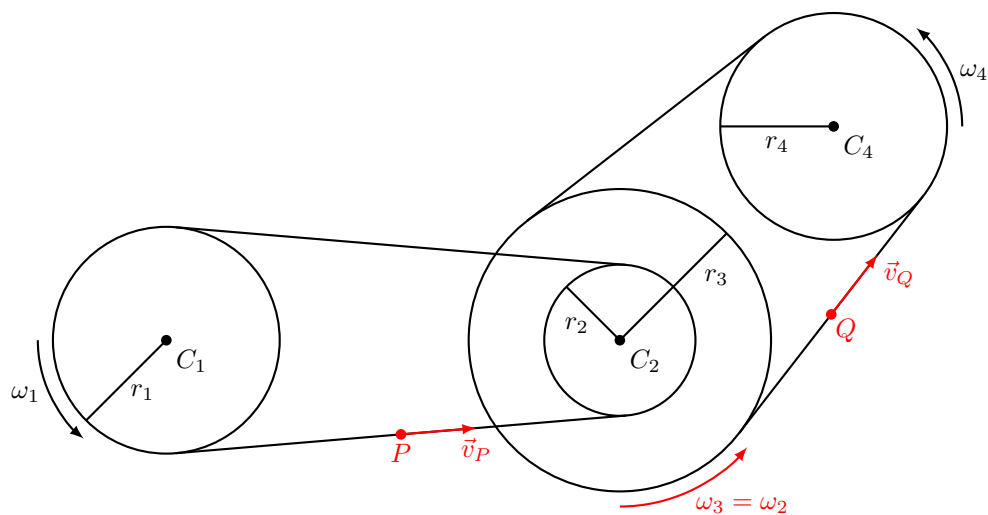
- (A) ★  $4 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_4$
- (B)  $3 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_4 < 4 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_4 < 1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_4 < 3 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_4 < 2 \text{ rad/s}$

**Solution.** Each chain has the same speed for all points on it, and the two gears centered at  $C_2$  have the same angular velocity  $\omega_2 = \omega_3$ . This gives:

$$r_1\omega_1 = v_P = r_2\omega_2 \implies \omega_2 = 4.5$$

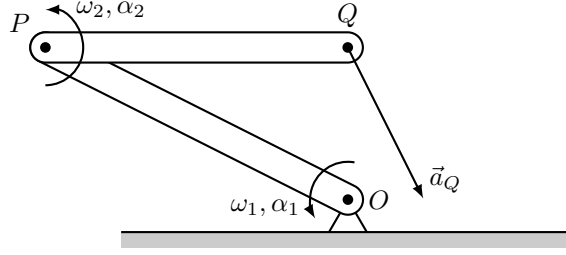
$$\omega_3 = \omega_2 = 4.5$$

$$r_3\omega_3 = v_Q = r_4\omega_4 \implies \omega_4 = 6 \text{ rad/s}.$$





22. (1 point) Two rods are connected with pin joints at  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  as shown. The rods have angular velocities and angular accelerations as indicated.



At a particular instant we observe:

$$\vec{r}_{OP} = -2\hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{\omega}_1 = \hat{k} \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\vec{\alpha}_1 = \alpha_1 \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_{PQ} = 2\hat{i} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{\omega}_2 = -\hat{k} \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\vec{\alpha}_2 = \alpha_2 \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{a}_Q = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m/s}^2.$$

What is  $\alpha_2$ ?

- (A)  $-1 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha_2 < 0 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (B)  $1 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha_2$
- (C)  $0 \text{ rad/s}^2 < \alpha_2 < 1 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (D)  $\alpha_2 = 0 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (E) ★  $\alpha_2 < -1 \text{ rad/s}^2$

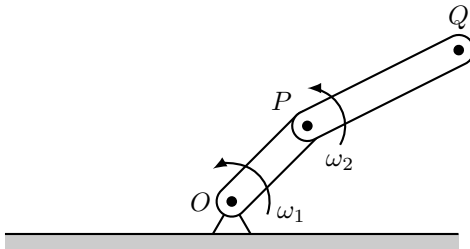
**Solution.** Starting from the fixed point  $O$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a}_P &= \vec{a}_O + \vec{\alpha}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} + \vec{\omega}_1 \times (\vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP}) \\ &= 0 + \alpha_1 \hat{k} \times (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + \hat{k} \times (\hat{k} \times (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j})) \\ &= (-\alpha_1 \hat{i} - 2\alpha_1 \hat{j}) + (2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \\ &= (2 - \alpha_1) \hat{i} + (-1 - 2\alpha_1) \hat{j} \\ \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega}_2 \times (\vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} &= (2 - \alpha_1) \hat{i} + (-1 - 2\alpha_1) \hat{j} + \alpha_2 \hat{k} \times 2\hat{i} + (-\hat{k}) \times ((-\hat{k}) \times 2\hat{i}) \\ &= -\alpha_1 \hat{i} + (-1 - 2\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2) \hat{j} \text{ m/s}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Equating components gives:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= -\alpha_1 \implies \alpha_1 = -1 \text{ rad/s}^2 \\ -2 &= -1 - 2\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 = 1 + 2\alpha_2 \implies \alpha_2 = -1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2. \end{aligned}$$

23. (1 point) Two rods are connected with pin joints at  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  as shown. Rod  $OP$  has angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_1 = \omega_1 \hat{k}$  and rod  $PQ$  has angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_2 = \omega_2 \hat{k}$ .



The positions and angular velocities of the rods at the current instant are:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{OP} &= \hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m} & \vec{r}_{PQ} &= 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{\omega}_1 &= 2\hat{k} \text{ rad/s} & \vec{\omega}_2 &= -\hat{k} \text{ rad/s}.\end{aligned}$$

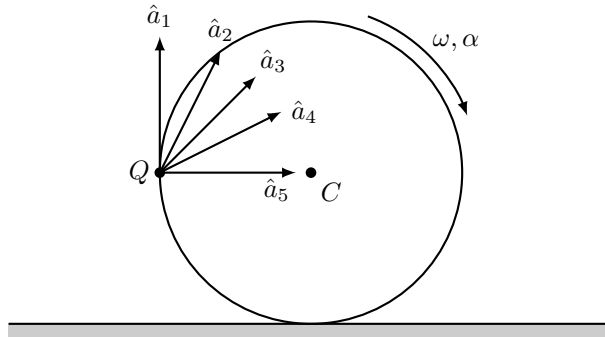
What is the  $\hat{j}$  component  $v_{Qy}$  of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $-2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_{Qy} < 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (B) ★  $v_{Qy} = 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (C)  $0 \text{ m/s} < v_{Qy} < 2 \text{ m/s}$
- (D)  $v_{Qy} < -2 \text{ m/s}$
- (E)  $2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_{Qy}$

**Solution.** Starting from  $\vec{v}_O = 0$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_P &= \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} \\ &= -2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ &= (-2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}) + (\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) \\ &= -\hat{i} \\ v_{Qy} &= 0 \text{ m/s}.\end{aligned}$$

24. (1 point) A circular rigid body is rolling without slipping on a flat surface in 2D as shown. The angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -\omega\hat{k}$  and angular acceleration  $\vec{\alpha} = -\alpha\hat{k}$  satisfy  $\alpha = \omega^2$ .

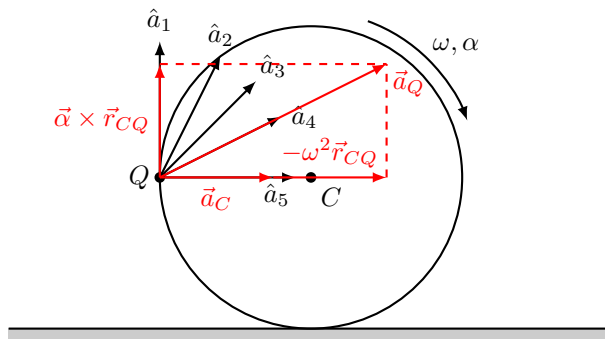


What is the direction of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

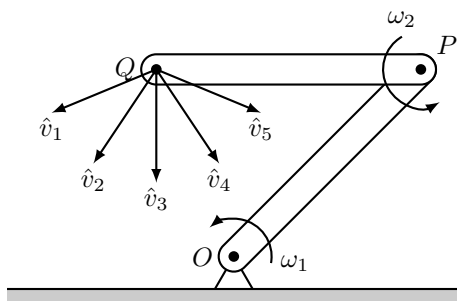
- (A)  $\hat{a}_5$
- (B)  $\hat{a}_3$
- (C) ★  $\hat{a}_4$
- (D)  $\hat{a}_2$
- (E)  $\hat{a}_1$

**Solution.** The acceleration of  $Q$  is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_C + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}) \\
 &= r\alpha\hat{i} + (-\alpha\hat{k}) \times (-r\hat{i}) + (-\omega\hat{k}) \times (-\omega\hat{k} \times (-r\hat{i})) \\
 &= r\alpha\hat{i} + r\alpha\hat{j} + r\omega^2\hat{i} \\
 &= r\alpha\hat{i} + r\alpha\hat{j} + r\alpha\hat{i} \\
 &= 2r\alpha\hat{i} + r\alpha\hat{j}.
 \end{aligned}$$



25. (1 point) Two equal-length rods are connected with pin joints at  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  as shown, so that the line  $OP$  is at  $45^\circ$  from horizontal. Both rods are rotating counterclockwise with the same angular velocity.



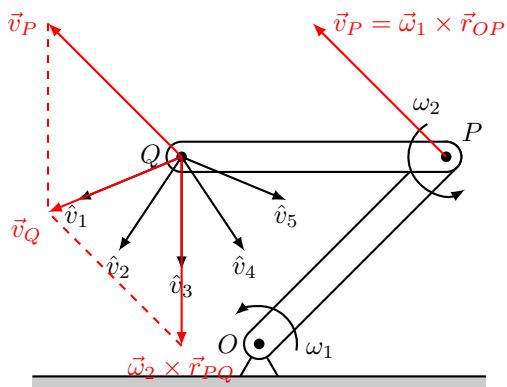
What is the direction of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $\hat{v}_4$
- (B)  $\hat{v}_3$
- (C)  $\hat{v}_2$
- (D) ★  $\hat{v}_1$
- (E)  $\hat{v}_5$

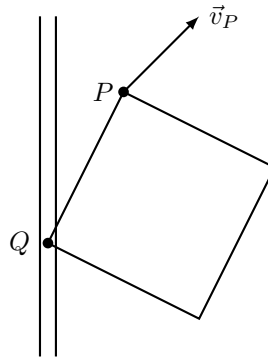
**Solution.** For rod lengths  $r$  and angular velocity  $\omega$ , the velocity  $\vec{v}_P$  is up-left at  $45^\circ$  with magnitude  $r\omega$ . Then:

$$\vec{v}_Q = \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ}.$$

The term  $\vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ}$  is straight down, also with magnitude  $r\omega$ . Adding this term to  $\vec{v}_P$  results in  $\vec{v}_Q$  to the down-left at an angle of  $22.5^\circ$  below the horizontal.



26. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = \omega \hat{k}$ . A pin at point  $Q$  constrains that point to move in a vertical slot.



Point  $P$  on the body has:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PQ} &= -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{v}_P &= \hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m/s.}\end{aligned}$$

What is  $\omega$ ?

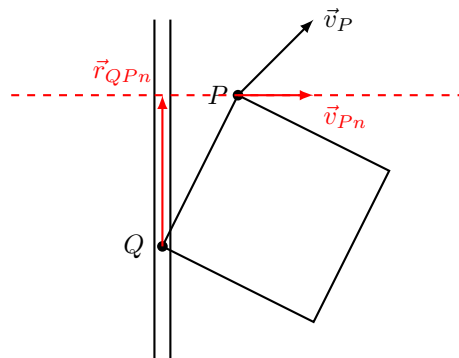
- (A)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega$
- (B) ★  $-1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $0 \text{ rad/s} < \omega < 1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $\omega < -1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $\omega = 0 \text{ rad/s}$

**Solution.** Taking  $\vec{v}_Q = v_Q \hat{j}$  with unknown speed  $v_Q$ , we have:

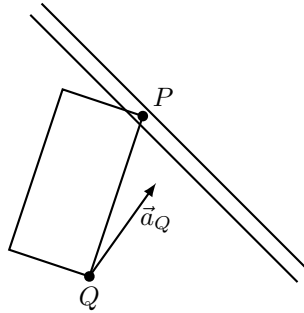
$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ v_Q \hat{j} &= \hat{i} + \hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (-\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) \\ &= \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\omega \hat{i} - \omega \hat{j} \\ &= (1 + 2\omega) \hat{i} + (1 - \omega) \hat{j}\end{aligned}$$

Equating  $\hat{i}$  components gives  $0 = 1 + 2\omega$ , so  $\omega = -0.5 \text{ rad/s}$ .

Alternatively, a fast solution is to observe that the rotation is caused by the normal velocity component  $v_{Pn} = 1 \text{ m/s}$  acting at a distance  $r_{PQn} = 2 \text{ m}$ , so the angular velocity is  $1/2 \text{ rad/s}$  clockwise.



27. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with zero angular acceleration. A pin at point  $P$  constrains that point to move in an angled slot.

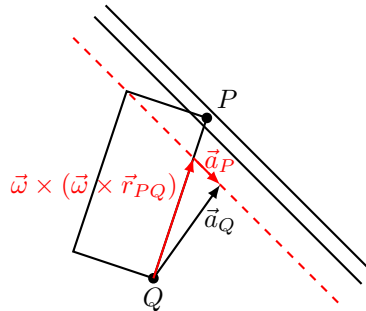


In which direction is the acceleration  $\vec{a}_P$  of point  $P$ ?

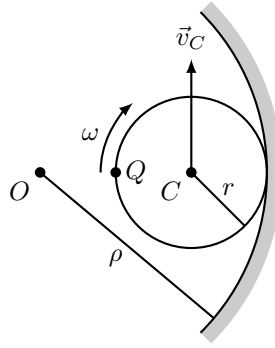
- (A) ↙
- (B) ↖
- (C) ↗
- (D) ★ ↘

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**Solution.**  $\vec{a}_Q$  must consist of the centripetal term  $\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ})$  plus the acceleration  $\vec{a}_P$  in the slot direction, as shown below, so  $\vec{a}_P$  must be down-right.



28. (1 point) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 1$  m is rolling without slipping on a curved surface with radius of curvature  $\rho = 3$  m in 2D as shown. The speed  $v_C$  of the center is a constant  $v_C = 2$  m/s. Point  $Q$  is fixed to the edge of the body and, at the instant shown, the points  $O$ - $Q$ - $C$  form a horizontal line.



What is the  $\hat{i}$  component  $a_{Qx}$  of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $-2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qx} < 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (B)  $a_{Qx} < -2 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (C)  $0 \text{ m/s}^2 < a_{Qx} < 2 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (D)  $a_{Qx} = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (E) ★  $2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qx}$

**Solution.** The angular velocity is  $\omega = v_C/r = 2 \text{ rad/s}$ . Because the speed  $v_C$  is constant, the tangential acceleration  $r\alpha \hat{e}_t$  is zero and so  $\alpha = 0 \text{ rad/s}^2$ . The radius of curvature of the center is  $R = \rho - r = 2 \text{ m}$ , and the local basis vectors are  $\hat{e}_t = \hat{j}$  and  $\hat{e}_n = -\hat{i}$ . Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{a}_C &= r\alpha \hat{e}_t + \frac{v_C^2}{R} \hat{e}_n \\
 &= 2\hat{e}_n \\
 \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_C + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}) \\
 &= 2\hat{e}_n + r\omega^2 \hat{i} \\
 &= -2\hat{i} + 4\hat{i} \\
 &= 2\hat{i} \\
 a_{Qx} &= 2 \text{ m/s}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

29. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = \omega \hat{k}$ . Two points  $P$  and  $Q$  are fixed to the body and have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PQ} &= 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{v}_P &= 3\hat{j} \text{ m/s} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= -2\hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m/s}.\end{aligned}$$

What is  $\omega$ ?

- (A)  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega$
- (B)  $\omega = 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $\omega < -2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $0 \text{ rad/s} < \omega < 2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E) ★  $-2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 0 \text{ rad/s}$

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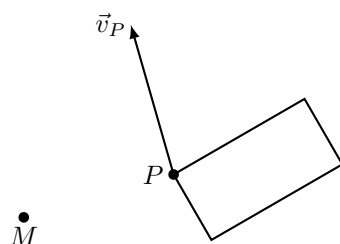
**Solution.**

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ -2\hat{i} + \hat{j} &= 3\hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) \\ -2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} &= 2\omega \hat{i} - 2\omega \hat{j} \\ \implies \omega &= -1 \text{ rad/s}.\end{aligned}$$

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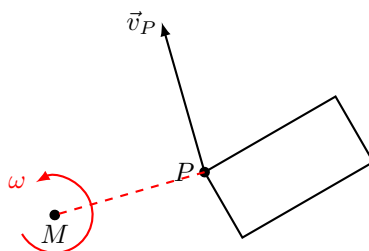
30. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below. The instantaneous center of the body is at point  $M$ .



What is the direction of the angular velocity of the body?

- (A)  $\circlearrowright$  (clockwise)
- (B)  $\star \circlearrowleft$  (counterclockwise)

**Solution.** The velocity  $\vec{v}_P$  is caused by rotation of  $\vec{r}_{MP}$  about  $M$ , so this rotation must be counterclockwise.



31. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D with points  $P$  and  $Q$  attached to it. We have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_P &= -\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m} & \vec{r}_Q &= \hat{i} - \hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{v}_P &= 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m/s} & \vec{v}_Q &= 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} \text{ m/s}.\end{aligned}$$

What is the  $x$  coordinate  $M_x$  of the instantaneous center  $M$  of the body?

- (A) ★  $M_x = 0 \text{ m}$
- (B)  $-2 \text{ m} \leq M_x < 0 \text{ m}$
- (C)  $0 \text{ m} < M_x < 2 \text{ m}$
- (D)  $M_x < -2 \text{ m}$
- (E)  $2 \text{ m} \leq M_x$

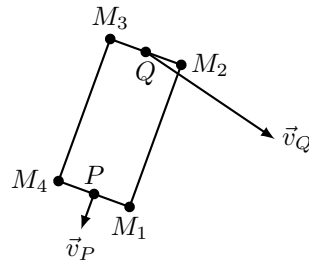
**Solution.** We first determine the angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = \omega \hat{k}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PQ} &= \vec{r}_Q - \vec{r}_P \\ &= 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} &= 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (2\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \\ &= (2 - \omega)\hat{i} + (1 + 2\omega)\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

Equating terms and solving gives  $\omega = -1 \text{ rad/s}$  (both components must give the same  $\omega$  solution). Now we find the instantaneous center:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PM} &= \frac{1}{\omega} \vec{v}_P^\perp \\ &= \frac{1}{-1}(-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}) \\ &= \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \\ \vec{r}_M &= \vec{r}_P + \vec{r}_{PM} \\ &= -4\hat{j} \\ M_x &= 0 \text{ m}.\end{aligned}$$

32. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below.

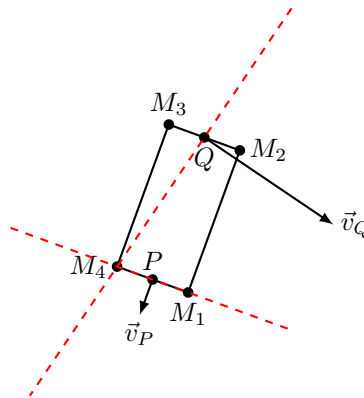


Which point  $M_i$  is the instantaneous center?

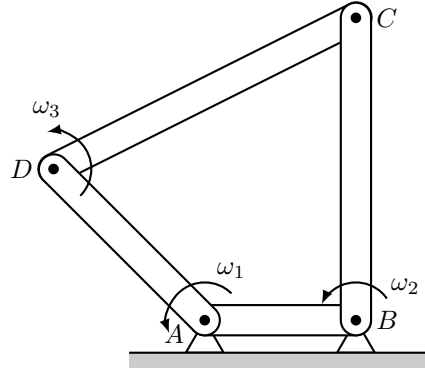
- (A)  $M_1$
- (B)  $M_3$
- (C)  $M_2$
- (D) ★  $M_4$

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**Solution.** The lines through  $P$  and  $Q$  perpendicular to  $\vec{v}_P$  and  $\vec{v}_Q$  intersect at  $M_4$ , so that is the instantaneous center.



33. (1 point) A four-bar linkage has rigid rods connecting pins at  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$ , as shown. The angular velocities are  $\vec{\omega}_1 = 2\hat{k}$  for rod  $AD$ ,  $\vec{\omega}_2 = \omega_2\hat{k}$  for rod  $BC$ , and  $\vec{\omega}_3 = \omega_3\hat{k}$  for rod  $DC$ .



At the current instant the positions are:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{AB} &= \hat{i} \text{ m} \\ \vec{r}_{BC} &= 2\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{r}_{AD} &= -\hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{r}_{DC} &= 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m}.\end{aligned}$$

What is  $\omega_2$ ?

- (A)  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2 < 0.5 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2$
- (C) ★  $1.5 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2 < 2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2 < 1.5 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $0.5 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2 < 1 \text{ rad/s}$

**Solution.** Starting from the fixed point  $A$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_D &= \vec{v}_A + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{AD} \\ &= 0 + 2\hat{k} \times (-\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \\ &= -2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \\ \vec{v}_C &= \vec{v}_D + \vec{\omega}_3 \times \vec{r}_{DC} \\ &= (-2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) + \omega_3\hat{k} \times (2\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \\ &= (-2 - \omega_3)\hat{i} + (-2 + 2\omega_3)\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

We can also get to  $C$  from the fixed point  $B$ :

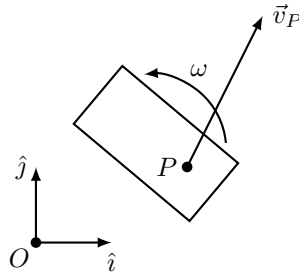
$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_C &= \vec{v}_B + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{BC} \\ &= 0 + \omega_2\hat{k} \times 2\hat{j} \\ &= -2\omega_2\hat{i}.\end{aligned}$$

Equating the two expressions for  $\vec{v}_C$  gives:

$$(-2 - \omega_3)\hat{i} + (-2 + 2\omega_3)\hat{j} = -2\omega_2\hat{i}.$$

The  $\hat{j}$  components gives  $\omega_3 = 1$ , and the  $\hat{i}$  components give  $\omega_2 = 1 + \omega_3/2 = 1.5 \text{ rad/s}$ .

34. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = 2\hat{k}$  rad/s.



Relative to the origin  $O$ , the point  $P$  has:

$$\vec{r}_P = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{v}_P = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} \text{ m/s.}$$

What is the  $y$  coordinate  $M_y$  of the instantaneous center  $M$  of the body?

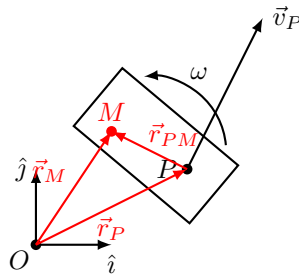
- (A)  $4 \text{ m} \leq M_y < 5 \text{ m}$
- (B)  $3 \text{ m} \leq M_y < 4 \text{ m}$
- (C) ★  $M_y < 2 \text{ m}$
- (D)  $5 \text{ m} \leq M_y$
- (E)  $2 \text{ m} \leq M_y < 3 \text{ m}$

**Solution.** The position of  $M$  relative to  $P$  is:

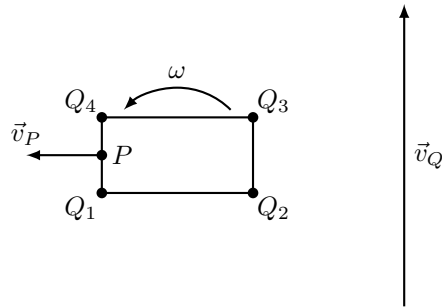
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}_{PM} &= \frac{1}{\omega^2} \omega \hat{k} \times \vec{v}_P \\ &= \frac{1}{2^2} 2\hat{k} \times (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (-4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}) \\ &= -\hat{i} + 0.5\hat{j} \text{ m.} \end{aligned}$$

Then the position of  $M$  is:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}_M &= \vec{r}_P + \vec{r}_{PM} \\ &= (2\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + (-\hat{i} + 0.5\hat{j}) \\ &= \hat{i} + 1.5\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ M_y &= 1.5 \text{ m.} \end{aligned}$$



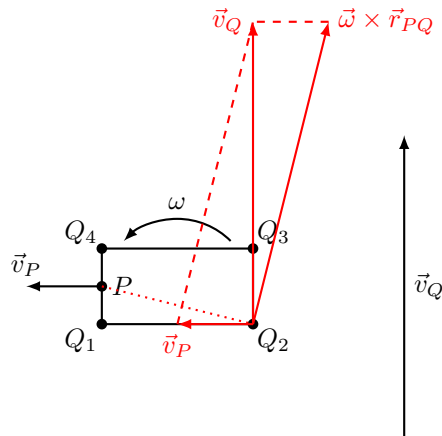
35. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with counterclockwise angular velocity. The velocity of point  $P$  is shown, as is the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of one of the  $Q_i$  points.



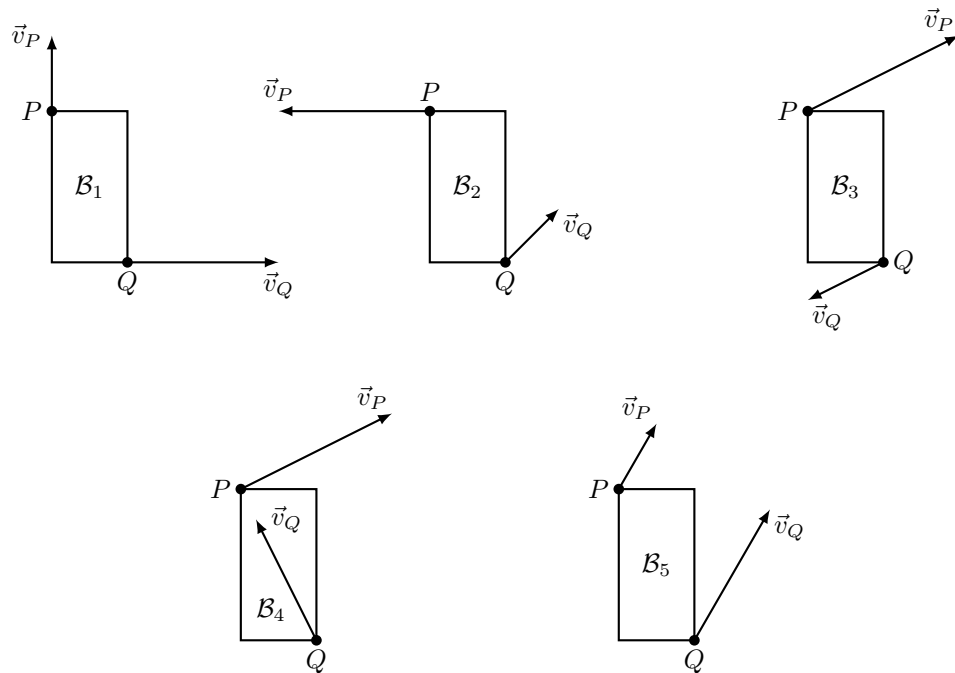
Which point  $Q_i$  has the given velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$ ?

- (A)  $Q_4$
- (B)  $Q_1$
- (C)  $Q_3$
- (D) ★  $Q_2$

**Solution.** Only at  $Q_2$  will the  $\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}$  term have positive  $\hat{i}$  component (to cancel out  $\vec{v}_P$ ) and positive  $\hat{j}$  component (to give  $\vec{v}_Q$ ).



36. (1 point) Five bodies moving in 2D are shown below with the velocities of points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the bodies as drawn.



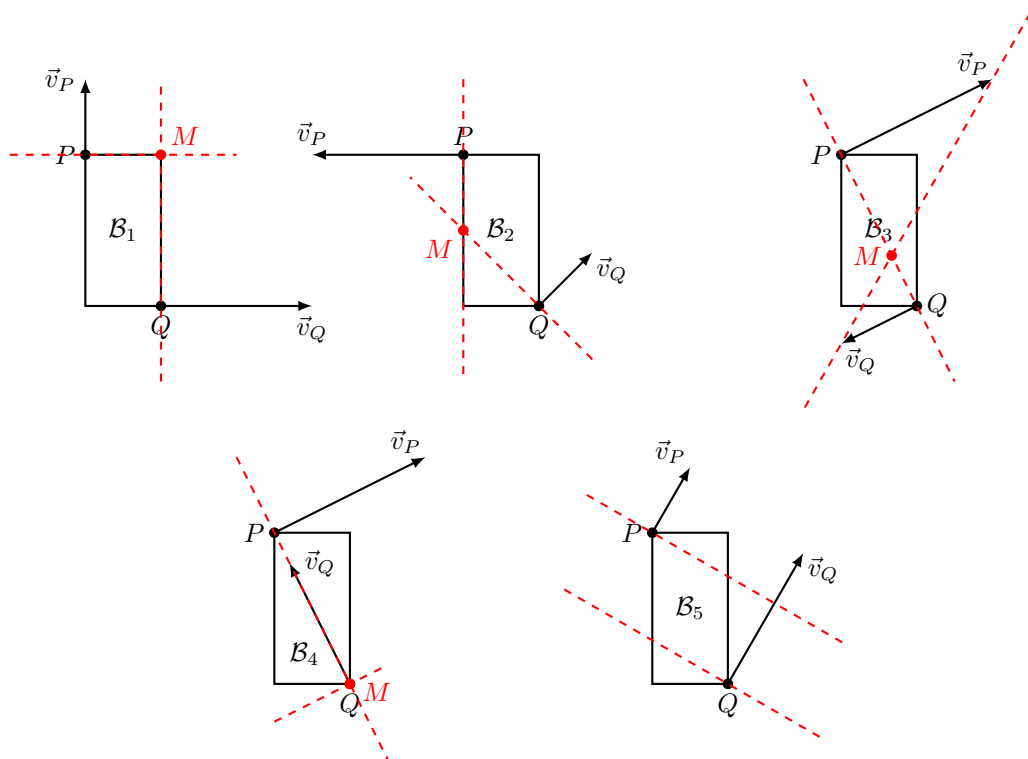
Which body has physically possible velocities for point  $P$  and  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $B_1$
- (B)  $B_2$
- (C) ★  $B_3$
- (D)  $B_5$
- (E)  $B_4$

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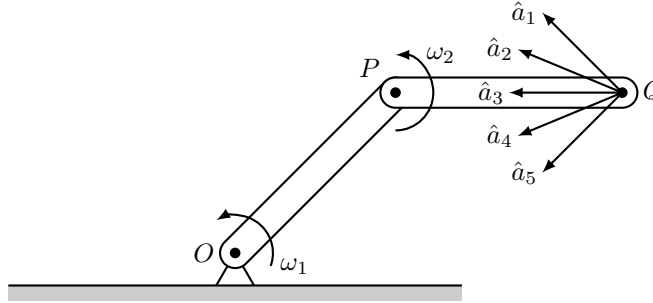
**Solution.**

- Body  $B_1$  has  $P$  rotating clockwise and  $Q$  rotating counterclockwise about  $M$ , so it is impossible.
- Body  $B_2$  has  $P$  closer to  $M$  than  $Q$ , but  $v_P$  is larger than  $v_Q$ , so it is impossible.
- Body  $B_3$  is possible.
- Body  $B_4$  has  $M$  at  $Q$ , but  $\vec{v}_Q \neq 0$ , so it is impossible.
- Body  $B_5$  does not have an instantaneous center, and the velocities of  $P$  and  $Q$  are not equal, so it is impossible.





37. (1 point) Two equal-length rods are connected with pin joints at  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  as shown, so that the line  $OP$  is at  $45^\circ$  from horizontal. Both rods are rotating counterclockwise with the same constant angular velocity.



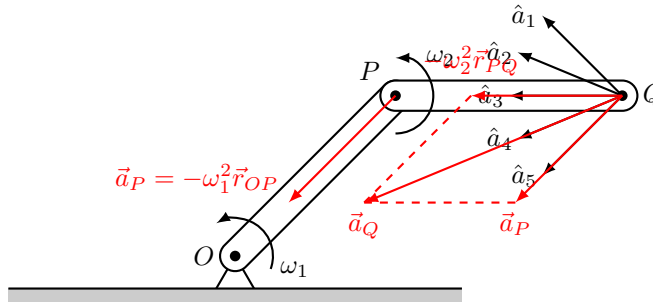
What is the direction of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $\hat{a}_2$
- (B) ★  $\hat{a}_4$
- (C)  $\hat{a}_5$
- (D)  $\hat{a}_3$
- (E)  $\hat{a}_1$

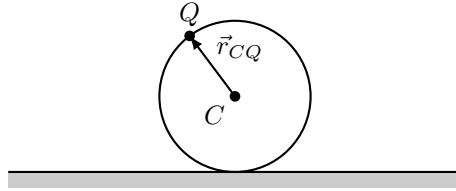
**Solution.** The angular accelerations are both zero, so the acceleration of  $P$  is  $\vec{a}_P = \vec{\omega}_1 \times (\vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP}) = -\omega_1^2 \vec{r}_{OP}$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ &= -\omega_1^2 \vec{r}_{OP} - \omega_2^2 \vec{r}_{PQ}.\end{aligned}$$

Because  $\omega_1 = \omega_2$  and  $r_{OP} = r_{PQ}$ , the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  is exactly midway between the two components, at an angle of  $22.5^\circ$  below the horizontal.



38. (1 point) A circular rigid body is rolling without slipping with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -\hat{k}$  and angular acceleration  $\vec{\alpha} = 2\hat{k}$  on a flat surface in 2D as shown. Point  $Q$  is offset from the center  $C$  by  $\vec{r}_{CQ} = -3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}$  m.

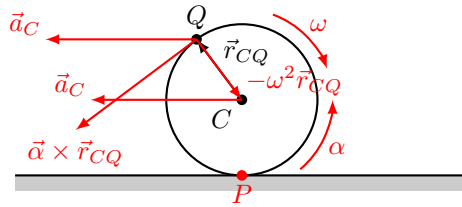


What is the  $\hat{j}$  component  $a_{Qy}$  of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

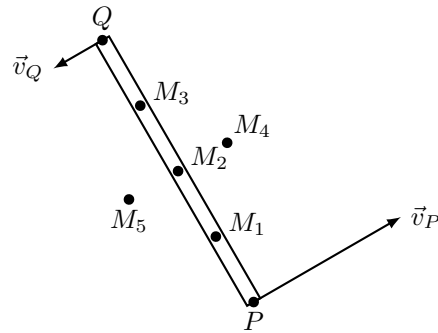
- (A) ★  $a_{Qy} < -8 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (B)  $0 \text{ m/s}^2 < a_{Qy} < 8 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (C)  $8 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qy}$
- (D)  $-8 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qy} < 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (E)  $a_{Qy} = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$

**Solution.** First note that the radius is  $r = 5$  m. Now the acceleration of  $Q$  is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_C + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}) \\
 &= -r\alpha \hat{i} + 2\hat{k} \times (-3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}) + (-\hat{k}) \times ((-\hat{k}) \times (-3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j})) \\
 &= -10\hat{i} - 8\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} \\
 &= -15\hat{i} - 10\hat{j} \\
 a_{Qy} &= -10 \text{ m/s}^2.
 \end{aligned}$$



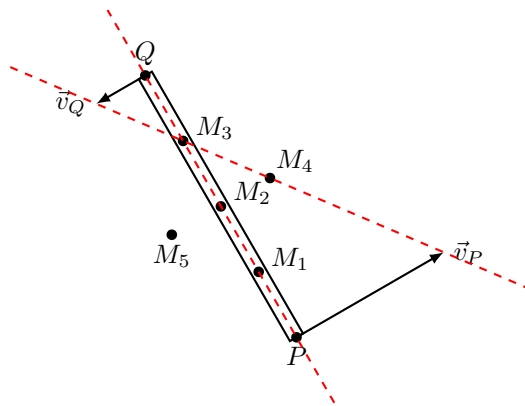
39. (1 point) A rigid rod is moving in 2D as shown below.



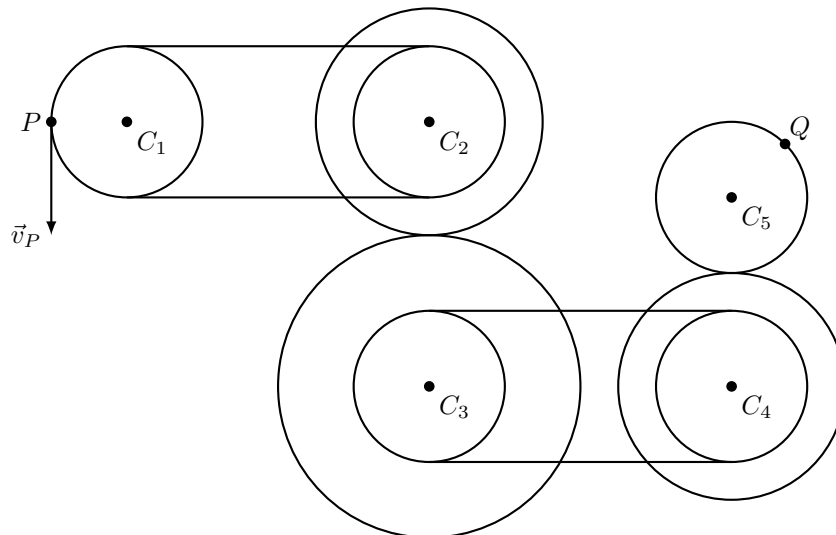
Which point  $M_i$  is the instantaneous center?

- (A)  $M_1$
- (B) ★  $M_3$
- (C)  $M_5$
- (D)  $M_4$
- (E)  $M_2$

**Solution.** The lines through  $P$  and  $Q$  perpendicular to  $\vec{v}_P$  and  $\vec{v}_Q$  are the same, so we additionally intersect with the line through the ends of the velocity vectors.



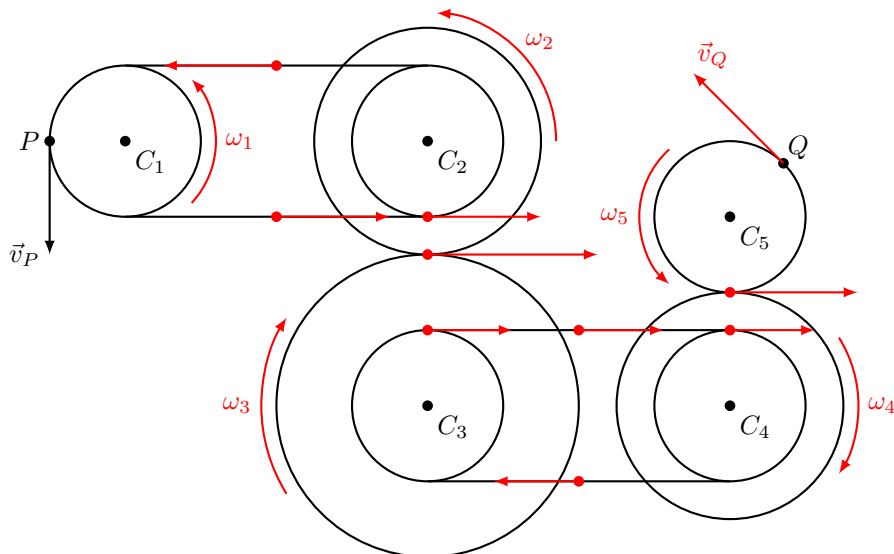
40. (1 point) A set of gears and chains are positioned as shown with fixed centers  $C_1$  through  $C_5$ . All gear pairs that have the same center are fixed together to rotate at the same angular velocity. All gears and chains are meshed so there is no slip. Point  $P$  has velocity  $\vec{v}_P$  in the direction indicated.



What is the direction of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $\searrow$
- (B)  $\nearrow$
- (C)  $\swarrow$
- (D)  $\star \nwarrow$

**Solution.**



41. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -\hat{k}$  rad/s and angular acceleration  $\vec{\alpha} = 2\hat{k}$  rad/s<sup>2</sup>. Points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PQ} &= -2\hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{a}_P &= \hat{i} - \hat{j} \text{ m/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$

What is the  $\hat{i}$  component  $a_{Qx}$  of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $a_{Qx} < -3 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (B)  $-3 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qx} < 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (C)  $a_{Qx} = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (D)  $3 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qx}$
- (E) ★  $0 \text{ m/s}^2 < a_{Qx} < 3 \text{ m/s}^2$

**Solution.**

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ &= \hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \times (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j}) - \hat{k} \times (-\hat{k} \times (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j})) \\ &= \hat{i} - \hat{j} - 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} \\ &= \hat{i} - 6\hat{j} \\ a_{Qx} &= 1 \text{ m/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$

42. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = \omega \hat{k}$ , for a non-negative value of  $\omega$ , and zero angular acceleration. Points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body are a distance  $r_{PQ} = 0.2$  m apart and it is observed that:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a}_P &= 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} \text{ m/s}^2 \\ \vec{a}_Q &= -\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} \text{ m/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$

What is  $\omega$ ?

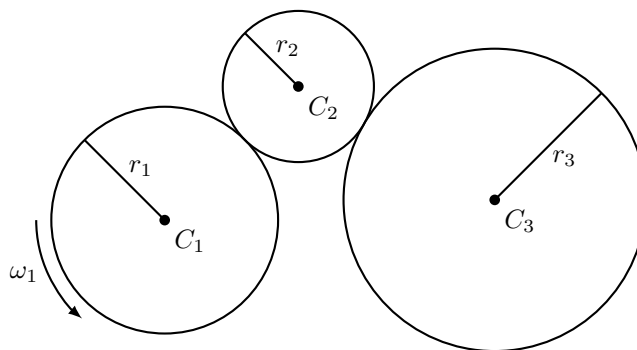
- (A) ★  $5 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 10 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $10 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 15 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 5 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $20 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega$
- (E)  $15 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 20 \text{ rad/s}$

**Solution.** The fast solution is to note that the relative acceleration magnitude is  $\|(2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) - (-\hat{i} + 3\hat{j})\| = 5 = \omega^2 r_{PQ}$ , so  $\omega = \sqrt{5/r_{PQ}} = 5 \text{ rad/s}$ .

Alternatively,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ -\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} &= 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (\omega \hat{k} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ -3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} &= -\omega^2 \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ \|-3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}\| &= \|\omega^2 \vec{r}_{PQ}\| \\ 5 &= \omega^2 r_{PQ} \\ 5 &= \omega^2 \frac{1}{5} \\ \omega^2 &= 25 \\ \omega &= 5 \text{ rad/s}.\end{aligned}$$

43. (1 point) Three meshed gears rotate about fixed centers as shown. The radii are  $r_1 = 3$  m,  $r_2 = 2$  m, and  $r_3 = 4$  m and the corresponding angular velocities are  $\vec{\omega}_1 = 2\hat{k}$  rad/s,  $\vec{\omega}_2 = \omega_2\hat{k}$ , and  $\vec{\omega}_3 = \omega_3\hat{k}$ .

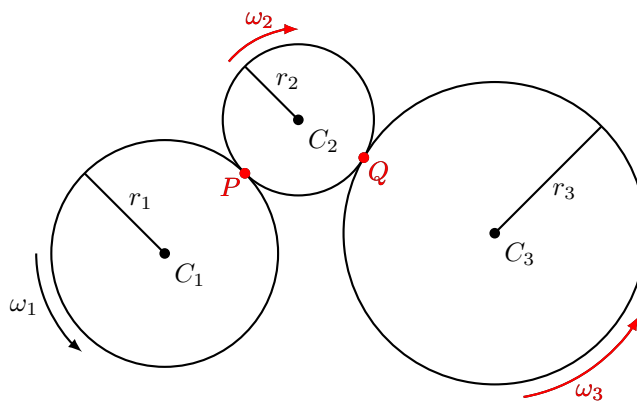


What is  $\omega_3$ ?

- (A)  $\omega_3 < -2$  rad/s
- (B)  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3$
- (C) ★  $0 \text{ rad/s} < \omega_3 < 2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $-2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $\omega_3 = 0$  rad/s

**Solution.** Matching the velocities at points  $P$  and  $Q$  shows that the gear at  $C_2$  rotates clockwise and the gear at  $C_3$  rotates counterclockwise. Also:

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_1\omega_1 &= v_P = r_2\omega_2 = v_Q = r_3\omega_3 \\
 \omega_3 &= \frac{r_1}{r_3}\omega_1 \\
 &= \frac{3}{4}2 \\
 &= 1.5 \text{ rad/s.}
 \end{aligned}$$



44. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = 3\hat{k}$  rad/s. Points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PQ} &= \hat{i} + 4\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{v}_P &= -3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m/s}.\end{aligned}$$

What is the  $\hat{j}$  component  $v_{Qy}$  of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A)  $-2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_{Qy} < 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (B)  $v_{Qy} = 0 \text{ m/s}$
- (C) ★  $0 \text{ m/s} < v_{Qy} < 2 \text{ m/s}$
- (D)  $2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_{Qy}$
- (E)  $v_{Qy} < -2 \text{ m/s}$

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**Solution.**

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ &= -3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \times (\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}) \\ &= -3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 12\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} \\ &= -15\hat{i} + \hat{j} \\ v_{Qy} &= 1 \text{ m/s}\end{aligned}$$

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45. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = 2\hat{k}$  rad/s. Two points  $P$  and  $Q$  are fixed to the body and the offset between them is in the direction  $\hat{r}_{PQ} = \frac{1}{5}(-3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j})$  (note that this is the unit vector in the direction of the offset vector  $\vec{r}_{PQ}$ , not the actual offset vector  $\vec{r}_{PQ}$ ). The velocities are:

$$\vec{v}_P = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} \text{ m/s}$$

$$\vec{v}_Q = -2\hat{i} \text{ m/s.}$$

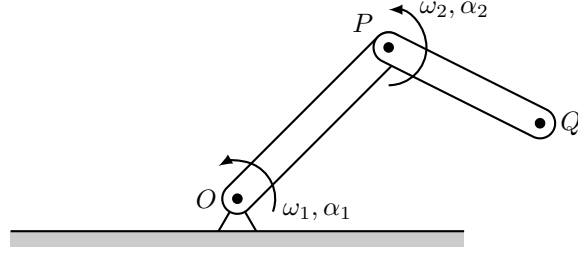
What is the distance  $r_{PQ}$  between  $P$  and  $Q$ ?

- (A) ★  $2 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 3 \text{ m}$
- (B)  $3 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 4 \text{ m}$
- (C)  $1 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 2 \text{ m}$
- (D)  $0 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 1 \text{ m}$
- (E)  $4 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ}$

**Solution.**

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ -2\hat{i} &= 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \times r_{PQ} \frac{1}{5}(-3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}) \\ -4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} &= -\frac{8}{5}r_{PQ}\hat{i} - \frac{6}{5}r_{PQ}\hat{j} \\ \Rightarrow r_{PQ} &= \frac{5}{2} = 2.5 \text{ m.}\end{aligned}$$

46. (1 point) Two rods are connected with pin joints at  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  as shown. The rods have angular velocities and angular accelerations as indicated.



The positions and angular velocities of the rods at the current instant are:

$$\vec{r}_{OP} = 2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{r}_{PQ} = 2\hat{i} - \hat{j} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{\omega}_1 = \hat{k} \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\vec{\omega}_2 = -\hat{k} \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\vec{\alpha}_1 = 0$$

$$\vec{\alpha}_2 = \hat{k} \text{ rad/s}^2$$

What is the  $\hat{i}$  component  $a_{Qx}$  of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

(A)  $0 \text{ m/s}^2 < a_{Qx} < 2 \text{ m/s}^2$

(B) ★  $a_{Qx} < -2 \text{ m/s}^2$

(C)  $2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qx}$

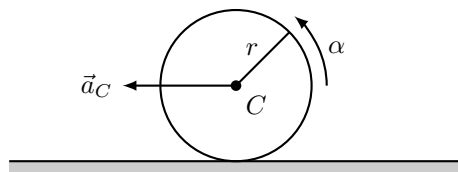
(D)  $a_{Qx} = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$

(E)  $-2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qx} < 0 \text{ m/s}^2$

**Solution.** Starting from the fixed point  $O$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a}_P &= \vec{a}_O + \vec{\alpha}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} + \vec{\omega}_1 \times (\vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP}) \\ &= 0 + 0 + \hat{k} \times (\hat{k} \times (2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j})) \\ &= -2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \\ \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega}_2 \times (\vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ &= (-2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) + \hat{k} \times (2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) + (-\hat{k}) \times ((-\hat{k}) \times (2\hat{i} - \hat{j})) \\ &= (-2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) + (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}) + (-2\hat{i} + \hat{j}) \\ &= -3\hat{i} + \hat{j} \\ a_{Qx} &= -3 \text{ m/s}^2. \end{aligned}$$

47. (1 point) A circular rigid body is rolling without slipping with angular acceleration  $\vec{\alpha} = 3\hat{k}$  on a flat surface in 2D as shown. The acceleration of the center is  $\vec{a}_C = -2 \text{ m/s}^2$ .



What is the radius  $r$  of the rigid body?

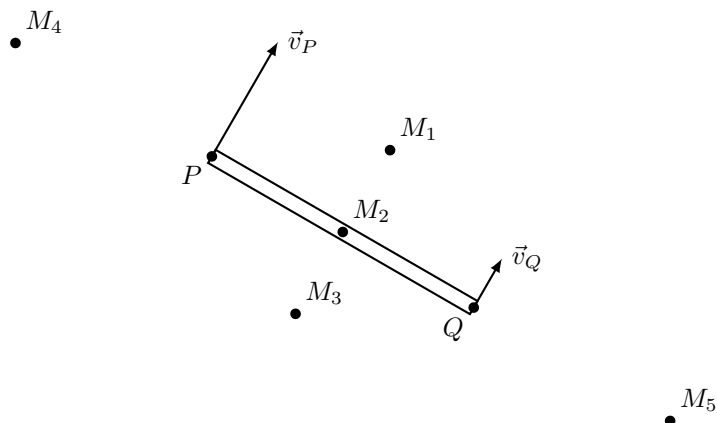
- (A)  $3 \text{ m} \leq r < 4 \text{ m}$
- (B)  $2 \text{ m} \leq r < 3 \text{ m}$
- (C)  $4 \text{ m} \leq r$
- (D) ★  $0 \text{ m} \leq r < 1 \text{ m}$
- (E)  $1 \text{ m} \leq r < 2 \text{ m}$

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**Solution.**  $a_c = r\alpha$  so  $r = a_c/\alpha = 2/3 \approx 0.67 \text{ m}$ .

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48. (1 point) A rigid rod is moving in 2D as shown below.

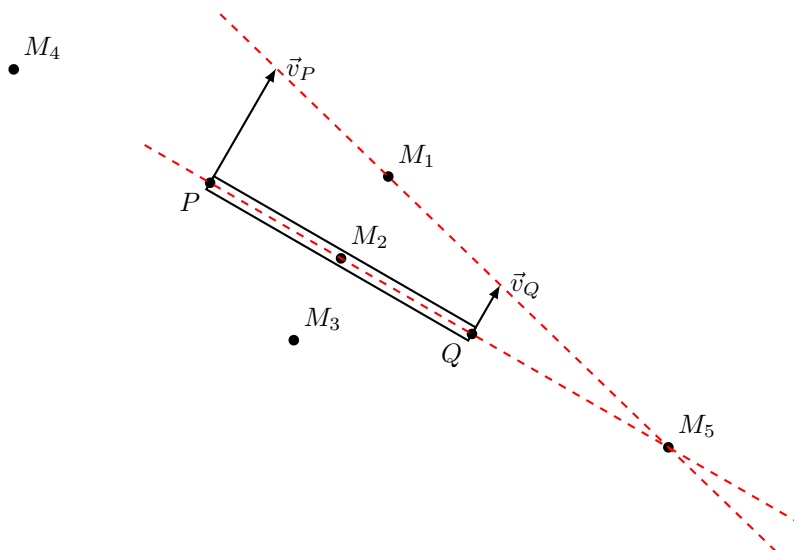


Which point  $M_i$  is the instantaneous center?

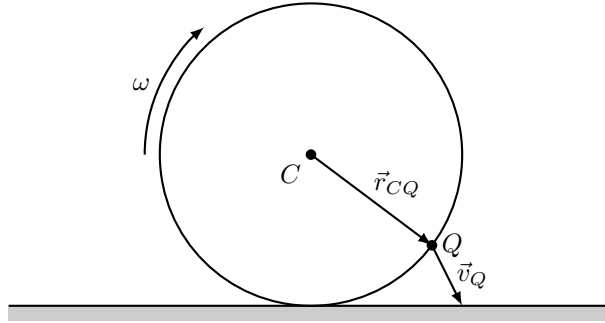
- (A)  $M_4$
- (B)  $M_3$
- (C)  $M_2$
- (D) ★  $M_5$
- (E)  $M_1$

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**Solution.** The lines through  $P$  and  $Q$  perpendicular to  $\vec{v}_P$  and  $\vec{v}_Q$  are the same, so we additionally intersect with the line through the ends of the velocity vectors.



49. (1 point) A circular rigid body with is rolling without slipping on a flat surface in 2D as shown, with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -\omega\hat{k}$ .



Point  $Q$  has:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{CQ} &= 4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m/s.}\end{aligned}$$

What is the angular velocity  $\omega$ ?

- (A)  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 3 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B) ★  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $4 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega$
- (D)  $3 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 4 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 2 \text{ rad/s}$

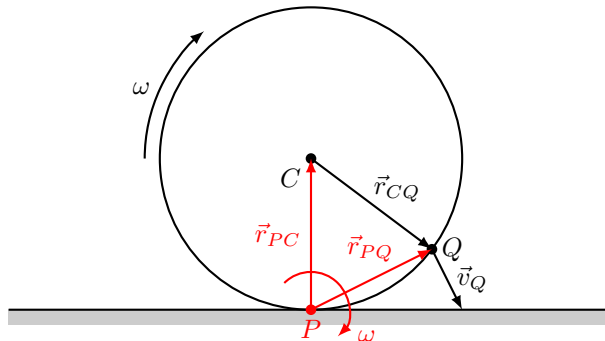
**Solution.** Observe that the radius of the rigid body is  $r = r_{CQ} = 5 \text{ m}$ . Taking  $P$  to be the contact point, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PQ} &= \vec{r}_{PC} + \vec{r}_{CQ} \\ &= 5\hat{j} + (4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}) \\ &= 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

Now taking  $\vec{\omega} = -\omega\hat{k}$ , the velocity of  $Q$  is:

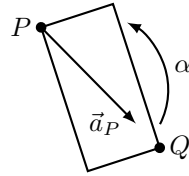
$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} &= 0 - \omega\hat{k} \times (4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}) \\ &= 2\omega\hat{j} - 4\omega\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

Equating components and solving gives  $\omega = 0.5 \text{ rad/s}$ .





50. (1 point) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below, with a counterclockwise angular acceleration and points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body. We know that  $a_P = 2\omega^2 r_{PQ}$  and  $\alpha = \omega^2$ .



What is the direction of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$ ?

- (A)  $\star \rightarrow$
- (B)  $\uparrow$
- (C)  $\leftarrow$
- (D)  $\downarrow$

**Solution.** Consider the acceleration equation for point  $Q$ :

$$\vec{a}_Q = \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}).$$

We know that the last two terms on the right hand side have the same magnitude ( $\alpha r_{PQ} = \omega^2 r_{PQ}$ ) and the first term on the right hand side has twice this magnitude ( $a_P = 2\omega^2 r_{PQ}$ ). Drawing the right-hand-side terms shows that the resulting direction for  $\vec{a}_Q$  is to the right:

