

## TAM 212. Midterm 2. Apr 4, 2013.

- There are 20 questions, each worth 5 points.
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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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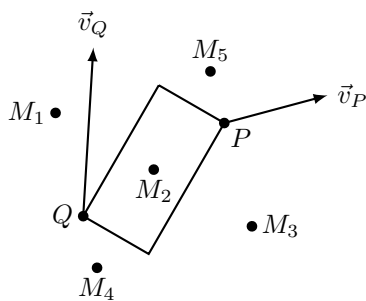
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### 3. Fill in the following answers on the Scantron form:

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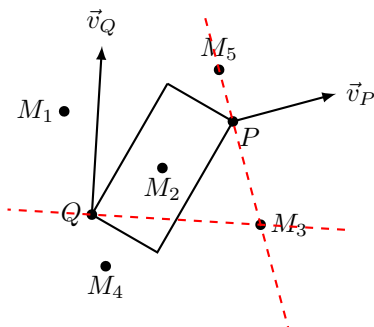
1. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below.



Which point  $M_i$  is the instantaneous center?

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

**Solution.** The lines through  $P$  and  $Q$  perpendicular to  $\vec{v}_P$  and  $\vec{v}_Q$  intersect at  $M_3$ , so that is the instantaneous center.



2. (5 points) 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:

$$\vec{v}_P = 3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} \text{ m/s}$$

$$\vec{v}_Q = -5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m/s.}$$

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

- (A)  $8 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ}$
- (B) ★  $4 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 6 \text{ m}$
- (C)  $2 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 4 \text{ m}$
- (D)  $6 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 8 \text{ m}$
- (E)  $0 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 2 \text{ m}$

**Solution.**

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

3. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -2\hat{k}$  rad/s and angular acceleration  $\vec{\alpha} = -\hat{k}$  rad/s<sup>2</sup>. Points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body have:

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

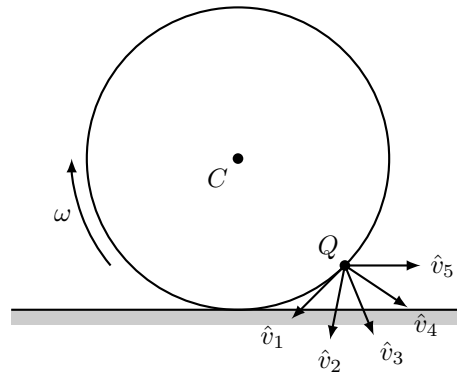
What is the  $\hat{j}$  component  $a_{Qy}$  of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

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

**Solution.**

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ &= 3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} - \hat{k} \times (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) - 2\hat{k} \times (-2\hat{k} \times (2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j})) \\ &= (3\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}) + (-2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) + (-8\hat{i} + 8\hat{j}) \\ &= -7\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} \\ a_{Qy} &= 3 \text{ m/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$

4. (5 points) A circular rigid body is rolling without slipping on a flat surface in 2D in a clockwise direction as shown.



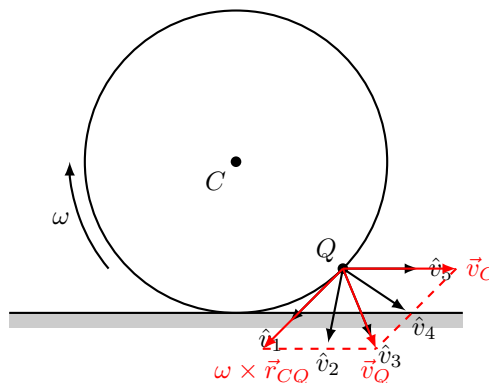
What is the direction of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

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

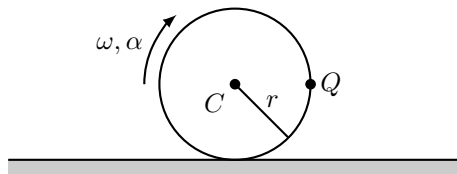
**Solution.** Starting from point  $C$ , the velocity at point  $Q$  is given by:

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

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  $\vec{r}_{CQ}$ , while the  $\vec{v}_C$  term is horizontal. Adding the two terms gives a resultant  $\vec{v}_Q$  exactly half way between the two component vectors.



5. (5 points) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 2$  m is rolling without slipping with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -\hat{k}$  rad/s 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 right edge of the body and has acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q = 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j}$  m/s<sup>2</sup>.



What is  $\alpha$ ?

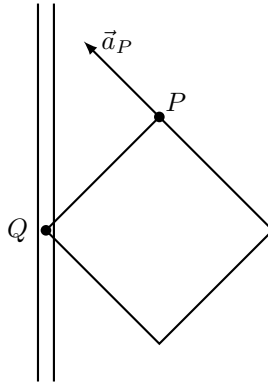
- (A)  $1 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (B)  $0 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 0.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (C)  $1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 2 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (D)  $0.5 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 1 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (E) ★  $2 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_C + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}) \\
 &= (-\alpha\hat{k}) \times r\hat{j} + (-\alpha\hat{k}) \times r\hat{i} + (-\omega\hat{k}) \times (-\omega\hat{k} \times r\hat{i}) \\
 &= r\alpha\hat{i} - r\alpha\hat{j} - r\omega^2\hat{i} \\
 &= r(\alpha - \omega^2)\hat{i} - r\alpha\hat{j} \\
 3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} &= 2(\alpha - 1)\hat{i} - 2\alpha\hat{j}
 \end{aligned}$$

So  $\alpha = 2.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$ .

6. (5 points) 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 vertical slot.



Point  $P$  on the body has:

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

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

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

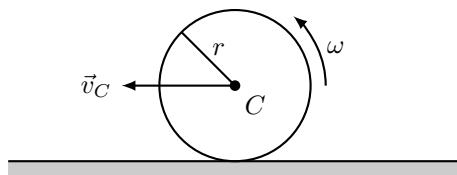
**Solution.** Taking  $\vec{a}_Q = a_Q \hat{j}$ , we have:

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

Equating components and solving gives:

$$\begin{aligned}\omega^2 &= 1 \\ a_Q &= \omega^2 + 1 \\ &= 2 \text{ m/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$

7. (5 points) 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  $v_C = 9$  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)  $3 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 4 \text{ rad/s}$

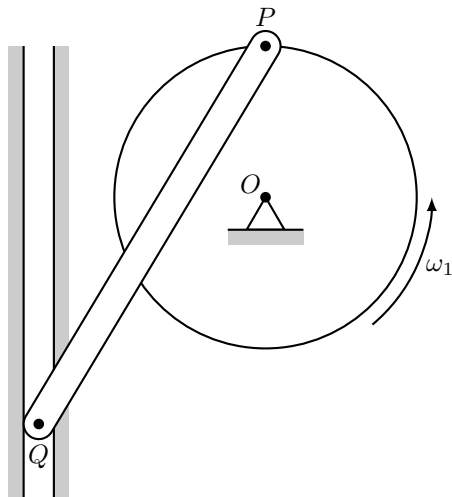
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**Solution.**  $v_c = r\omega$  so  $\omega = v_c/r = 9/2 = 4.5 \text{ rad/s}$ .

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8. (5 points) A circular rigid body rotates about the fixed center  $O$  with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_1 = 5\hat{k}$  rad/s as shown. A rigid rod connects pins  $P$  and  $Q$ , and point  $Q$  is constrained to only move vertically.



At the current instant the positions are:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{OP} &= 2\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{r}_{PQ} &= -3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} \text{ m}.\end{aligned}$$

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

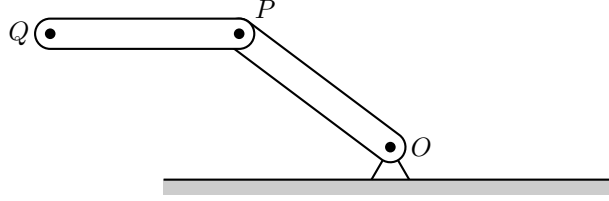
- (A)  $8 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q$
- (B)  $2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 4 \text{ m/s}$
- (C)  $4 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 6 \text{ m/s}$
- (D) ★  $6 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 8 \text{ m/s}$
- (E)  $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 2 \text{ m/s}$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_P &= \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} \\ &= 0 + 5\hat{k} \times (2\hat{j}) \\ &= -10\hat{i} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ &= -10\hat{i} + \omega_2\hat{k} \times (-3\hat{i} - 5\hat{j}) \\ v_Q\hat{j} &= (-10 + 5\omega_2)\hat{i} - 3\omega_2\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

Solving this gives  $\omega_2 = 2 \text{ rad/s}$  and  $v_Q = -3\omega_2 = -6$ , so the speed is  $6 \text{ m/s}$ .

9. (5 points) Two rods are connected with pin joints at  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  as shown. The angular velocity and acceleration for rod  $OP$  are  $\vec{\omega}_1$  and  $\vec{\alpha}_1$ , while the angular velocity and acceleration for rod  $PQ$  are  $\vec{\omega}_2$  and  $\vec{\alpha}_2$ .



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

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

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

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

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

$$\vec{\alpha}_1 = 1\hat{k} \text{ rad/s}^2$$

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

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

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

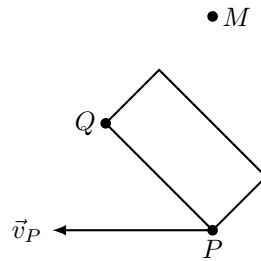
**Solution.** Starting from the fixed point  $O$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a}_P &= \vec{a}_O + \vec{\alpha}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} + \vec{\omega}_1 \times (\vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP}) \\ &= 0 + \hat{k} \times (-4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) + 0 \\ &= -3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega}_2 \times (\vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ &= (-3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j}) - \hat{k} \times (-5\hat{i}) + 2\hat{k} \times (2\hat{k} \times (-5\hat{i})) \\ &= (-3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j}) + 5\hat{j} + 20\hat{i} \\ &= 17\hat{i} + \hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

$$a_{Qy} = 1 \text{ m/s}^2.$$

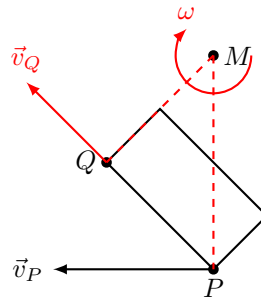
10. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with points  $P$  and  $Q$  attached to the body. The instantaneous center of the body is at point  $M$ .



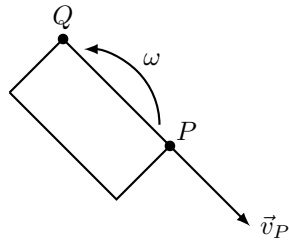
What is the direction of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

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

**Solution.** The direction of  $\vec{v}_P$  shows the direction of  $\omega$ . Then  $\vec{v}_Q$  is orthogonal to  $\vec{r}_{MQ}$  in the  $\omega$  direction.



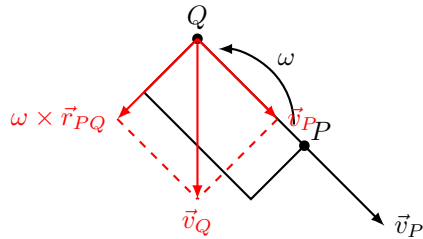
11. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown, with a counterclockwise rotation ( $\omega$  is positive in the direction indicated). The angular velocity  $\omega$ , distance  $r_{PQ}$ , and speed  $v_P$  satisfy  $\omega r_{PQ} = v_P$ .



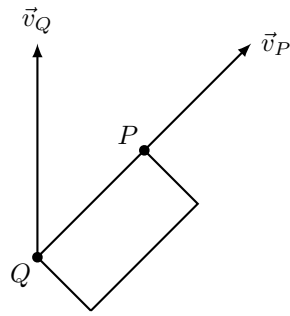
What is the direction of  $\vec{v}_Q$ ?

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

**Solution.**



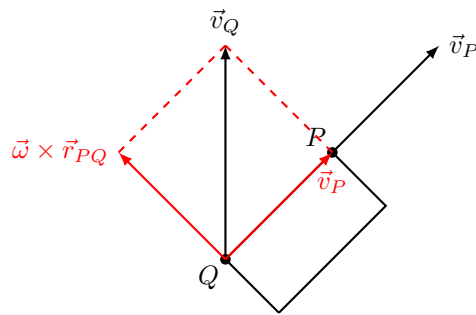
12. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below.



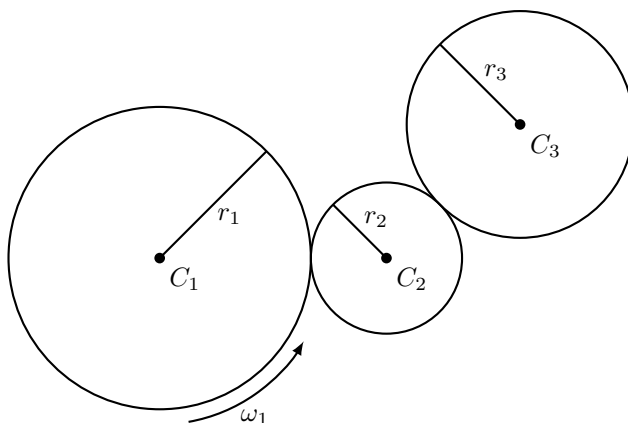
What is the direction of the angular velocity of the body?

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

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



13. (5 points) Three meshed gears rotate about fixed centers as shown. The radii are  $r_1 = 4$  m,  $r_2 = 2$  m, and  $r_3 = 3$  m and the corresponding angular velocities are  $\vec{\omega}_1 = 3\hat{k}$  rad/s,  $\vec{\omega}_2 = \omega_2\hat{k}$ , and  $\vec{\omega}_3 = \omega_3\hat{k}$ .

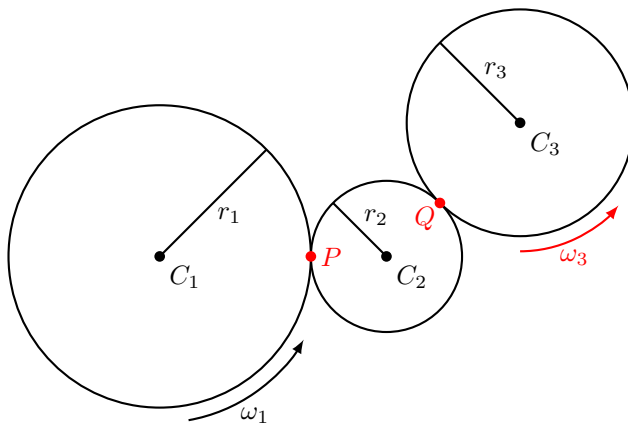


What is  $\omega_3$ ?

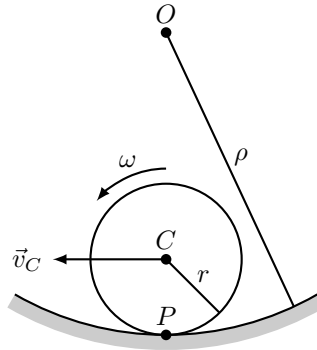
- (A)  $3 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 4 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C) ★  $4 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3$
- (D)  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 3 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 1 \text{ rad/s}$

**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:

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



14. (5 points) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 3$  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  $\vec{\omega} = \hat{k}$  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  $a_P = 6$  m/s<sup>2</sup>.



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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_P &= \frac{\rho}{R} r \omega^2 \\
 6 &= \frac{\rho}{\rho - 3} 3 \times 1^2 \\
 \rho &= 6 \text{ m.}
 \end{aligned}$$

15. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -2\hat{k}$  rad/s. Points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body have:

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

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

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

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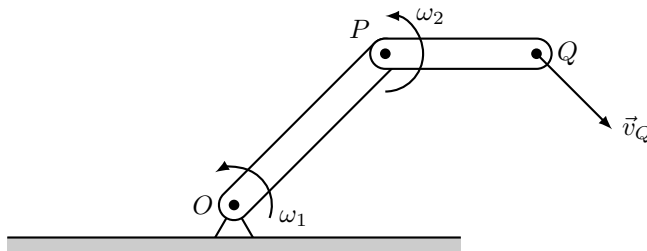
**Solution.**

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

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16. (5 points) 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:

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

What is  $\omega_2$ ?

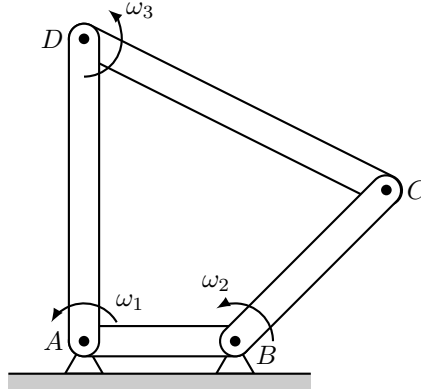
- (A) ★  $\omega_2 = 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $-1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2 < 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2$
- (D)  $\omega_2 < -1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $0 \text{ rad/s} < \omega_2 < 1 \text{ rad/s}$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_P &= \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} \\ &= -2\omega_1 \hat{i} + 2\omega_1 \hat{j} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ 2\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} &= -2\omega_1 \hat{i} + (2\omega_1 + 2\omega_2) \hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

Comparing  $\hat{i}$  components gives  $\omega_1 = -1 \text{ rad/s}$  and  $\omega_2 = 0 \text{ rad/s}$ .

17. (5 points) A four-bar linkage has rigid rods connecting pins at  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$ , as shown. The angular velocities are  $\vec{\omega}_1 = \hat{k}$  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:

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

What is  $\omega_2$ ?

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

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

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

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

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

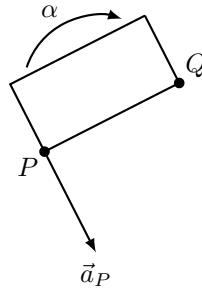
Equating the two expressions for  $\vec{v}_C$  gives:

$$\begin{aligned} -2 + \omega_3 &= -\omega_2 \\ 2\omega_3 &= \omega_2. \end{aligned}$$

Solving these equations gives  $\omega_3 = \frac{2}{3} \approx 0.67$  rad/s and  $\omega_2 = \frac{4}{3} \approx 1.33$  rad/s.

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18. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below, with a counterclockwise angular acceleration and points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body ( $\alpha$  is positive in the direction shown). We know that  $a_P = \omega^2 r_{PQ} = \alpha r_{PQ}$ .



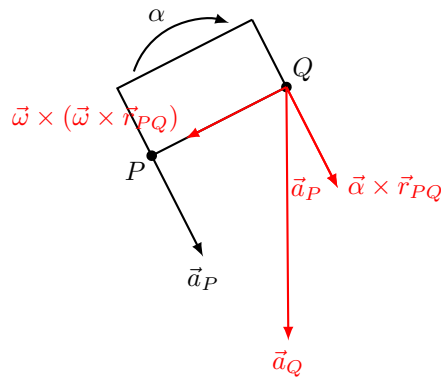
What is the direction of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$ ?

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

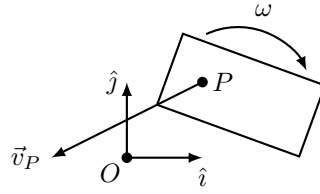
**Solution.** Consider the acceleration equation for point  $Q$ :

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

All three terms on the right hand side have the same magnitude ( $a_P = \omega^2 r_{PQ} = \alpha r_{PQ}$ ). Drawing the right-hand-side terms shows that the resulting direction for  $\vec{a}_Q$  is down:



19. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -\hat{k}$  rad/s.



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

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

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

- (A)  $M_x < -1$  m
- (B)  $0 \text{ m} < M_x < 1$  m
- (C)  $-1 \text{ m} \leq M_x < 0$  m
- (D) ★  $M_x = 0$  m
- (E)  $1 \text{ m} \leq M_x$

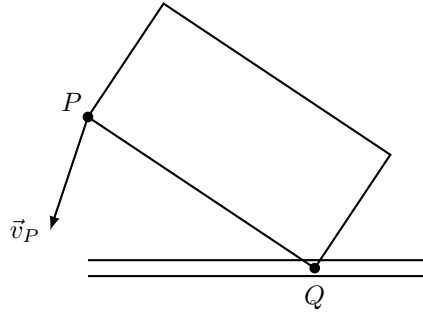
**Solution.** The position of  $M$  relative to  $P$  is:

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

Then the position of  $M$  is:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_M &= \vec{r}_P + \vec{r}_{PM} \\ &= (\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + (-\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}) \\ &= 3\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ M_x &= 0 \text{ m.}\end{aligned}$$

20. (5 points) 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:

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

What is  $\omega$ ?

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

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

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

Equating  $\hat{j}$  components gives  $\omega = 1 \text{ rad/s}$ .

## TAM 212. Midterm 2. Apr 4, 2013.

- There are 20 questions, each worth 5 points.
- You must not communicate with other students during this test.
- No electronic devices allowed.
- This is a 2 hour exam.
- Do not turn this page until instructed to do so.
- 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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### 3. Fill in the following answers on the Scantron form:

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96. D

1. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -\hat{k}$  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:

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

$$\vec{v}_Q = 4\hat{i} - \hat{j} \text{ m/s.}$$

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

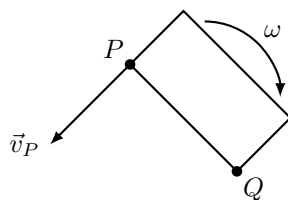
- (A)  $6 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 8 \text{ m}$
- (B) ★  $4 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 6 \text{ m}$
- (C)  $0 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 2 \text{ m}$
- (D)  $8 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ}$
- (E)  $2 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 4 \text{ m}$

**Solution.**

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



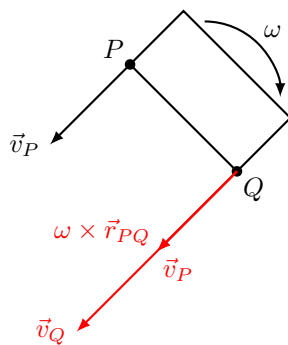
2. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown, with a clockwise rotation ( $\omega$  is positive in the direction indicated). The angular velocity  $\omega$ , distance  $r_{PQ}$ , and speed  $v_P$  satisfy  $\omega r_{PQ} = v_P$ .



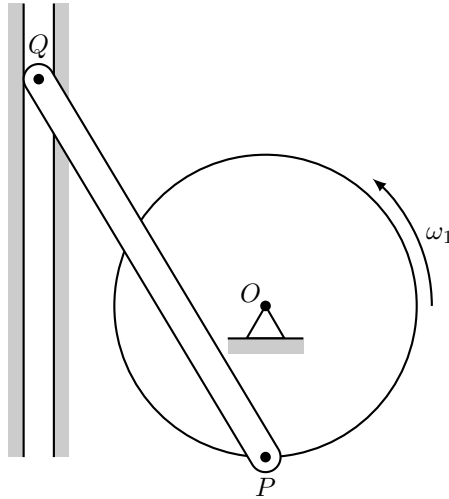
What is the direction of  $\vec{v}_Q$ ?

- (A) ↖
- (B) ↗
- (C) ↘
- (D) ★ ↙

**Solution.**



3. (5 points) A circular rigid body rotates about the fixed center  $O$  with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_1 = 5\hat{k}$  rad/s as shown. A rigid rod connects pins  $P$  and  $Q$ , and point  $Q$  is constrained to only move vertically.



At the current instant the positions are:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{OP} &= -2\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{r}_{PQ} &= -3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} \text{ m}.\end{aligned}$$

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

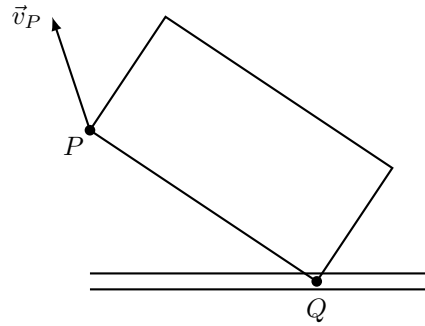
- (A)  $2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 4 \text{ m/s}$
- (B) ★  $6 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 8 \text{ m/s}$
- (C)  $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 2 \text{ m/s}$
- (D)  $8 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q$
- (E)  $4 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 6 \text{ m/s}$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_P &= \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} \\ &= 0 + 5\hat{k} \times (-2\hat{j}) \\ &= 10\hat{i} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ &= 10\hat{i} + \omega_2\hat{k} \times (-3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j}) \\ v_Q\hat{j} &= (10 - 5\omega_2)\hat{i} - 3\omega_2\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

Solving this gives  $\omega_2 = 2$  rad/s and  $v_Q = -3\omega_2 = -6$ , so the speed is 6 m/s.

4. (5 points) 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:

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

What is  $\omega$ ?

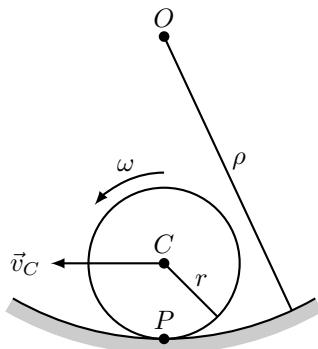
- (A)  $0 \text{ rad/s} < \omega < 2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $\omega = 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega$
- (D)  $\omega < -2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E) ★  $-2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 0 \text{ rad/s}$

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

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

Equating  $\hat{j}$  components gives  $\omega = -1 \text{ rad/s}$ .

5. (5 points) 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  $a_P = 16$  m/s<sup>2</sup>.



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

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

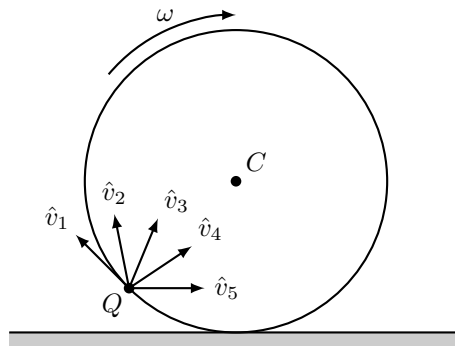
**Solution.** Because we are rolling on the inside,  $R = \rho - r$ , giving:

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

$$16 = \frac{\rho}{\rho - 2} 2 \times 2^2$$

$$\rho = 4 \text{ m.}$$

6. (5 points) A circular rigid body is rolling without slipping on a flat surface in 2D in a clockwise direction as shown.



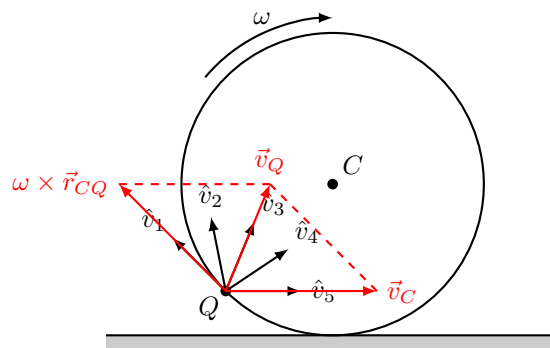
What is the direction of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

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

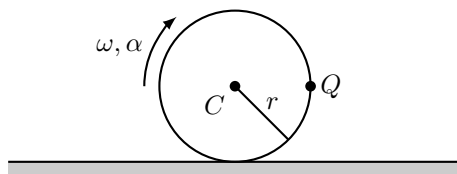
**Solution.** Starting from point  $C$ , the velocity at point  $Q$  is given by:

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

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  $\vec{r}_{CQ}$ , while the  $\vec{v}_C$  term is horizontal. Adding the two terms gives a resultant  $\vec{v}_Q$  exactly half way between the two component vectors.



7. (5 points) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 2$  m is rolling without slipping with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -2\hat{k}$  rad/s 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 right edge of the body and has acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q = -6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}$  m/s<sup>2</sup>.



What is  $\alpha$ ?

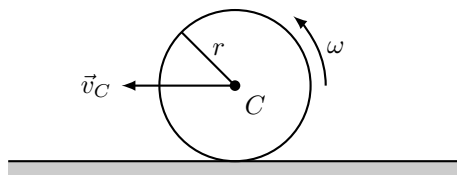
- (A) ★  $1 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (B)  $1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 2 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (C)  $2 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha$
- (D)  $0 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 0.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (E)  $0.5 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 1 \text{ rad/s}^2$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_C + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}) \\
 &= (-\alpha\hat{k}) \times r\hat{j} + (-\alpha\hat{k}) \times r\hat{i} + (-\omega\hat{k}) \times (-\omega\hat{k} \times r\hat{i}) \\
 &= r\alpha\hat{i} - r\alpha\hat{j} - r\omega^2\hat{i} \\
 &= r(\alpha - \omega^2)\hat{i} - r\alpha\hat{j} \\
 -6\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} &= 2(\alpha - 4)\hat{i} - 2\alpha\hat{j}
 \end{aligned}$$

So  $\alpha = 1 \text{ rad/s}^2$ .

8. (5 points) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 3$  m is rolling without slipping on a flat surface in 2D as shown. The speed of the center is  $v_C = 7$  m/s.



What is the angular velocity  $\omega$ ?

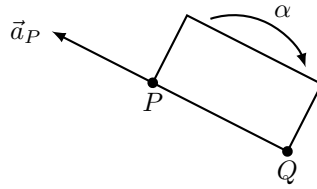
- (A) ★  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 3 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $3 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 4 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $4 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega$

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**Solution.**  $v_c = r\omega$  so  $\omega = v_c/r = 7/3 \approx 2.33$  rad/s.

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9. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below, with a clockwise angular acceleration and points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body ( $\alpha$  is positive in the direction shown). We know that  $a_P = \omega^2 r_{PQ} = \alpha r_{PQ}$ .



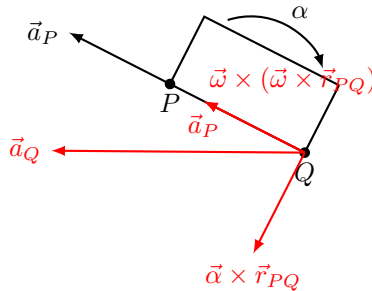
What is the direction of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$ ?

- (A) ★ ←
- (B) ↑
- (C) ↓
- (D) →

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

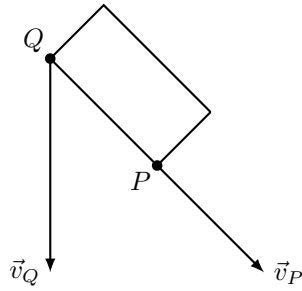
$$\vec{a}_Q = \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}).$$

All three terms on the right hand side have the same magnitude ( $a_P = \omega^2 r_{PQ} = \alpha r_{PQ}$ ). Drawing the right-hand-side terms shows that the resulting direction for  $\vec{a}_Q$  is left:





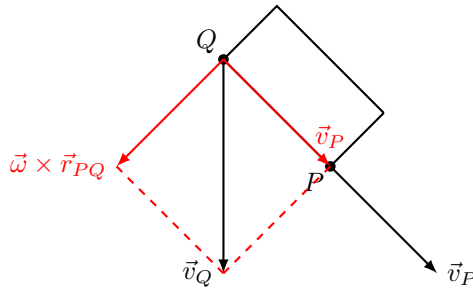
10. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below.



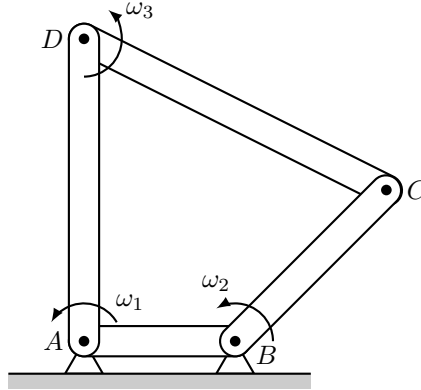
What is the direction of the angular velocity of the body?

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

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



11. (5 points) 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:

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

What is  $\omega_2$ ?

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_D &= \vec{v}_A + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{AD} \\ &= 0 + 2\hat{k} \times 2\hat{j} \\ &= -4\hat{i} \\ \vec{v}_C &= \vec{v}_D + \vec{\omega}_3 \times \vec{r}_{DC} \\ &= -4\hat{i} + \omega_3\hat{k} \times (2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \\ &= (-4 + \omega_3)\hat{i} + 2\omega_3\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} -4 + \omega_3 &= -\omega_2 \\ 2\omega_3 &= \omega_2. \end{aligned}$$

Solving these equations gives  $\omega_3 = \frac{4}{3} \approx 1.33$  rad/s and  $\omega_2 = \frac{8}{3} \approx 2.67$  rad/s.

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12. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = \hat{k}$  rad/s and angular acceleration  $\vec{\alpha} = -\hat{k}$  rad/s<sup>2</sup>. Points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body have:

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

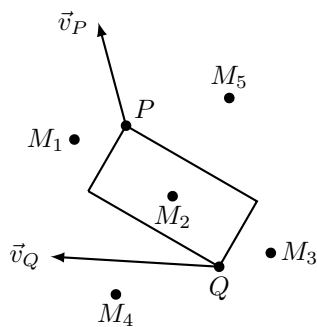
What is the  $\hat{j}$  component  $a_{Qy}$  of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

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

**Solution.**

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

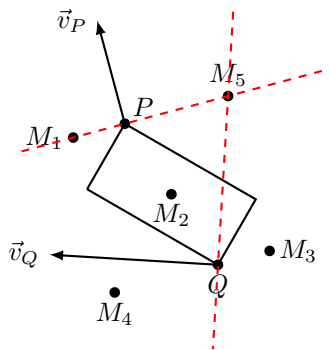
13. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below.



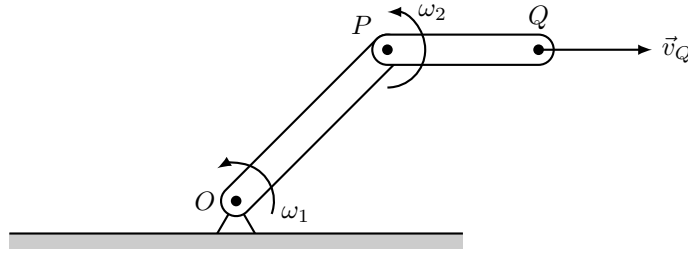
Which point  $M_i$  is the instantaneous center?

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

**Solution.** The lines through  $P$  and  $Q$  perpendicular to  $\vec{v}_P$  and  $\vec{v}_Q$  intersect at  $M_5$ , so that is the instantaneous center.



14. (5 points) 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:

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

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

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

What is  $\omega_2$ ?

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

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

$$\vec{v}_P = \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP}$$

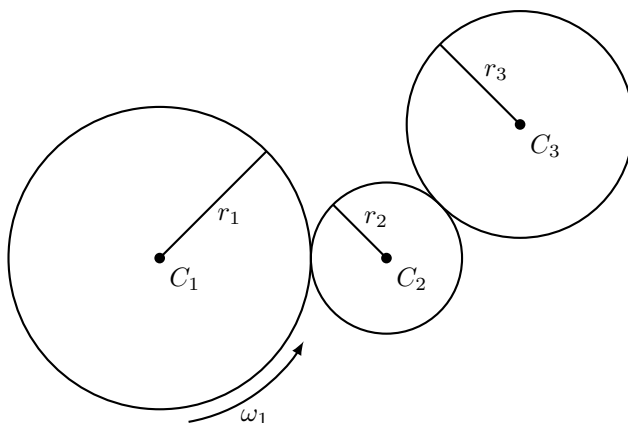
$$= -2\omega_1 \hat{i} + 2\omega_1 \hat{j}$$

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

$$2\hat{i} = -2\omega_1 \hat{i} + (2\omega_1 + 2\omega_2) \hat{j}.$$

Comparing  $\hat{i}$  components gives  $\omega_1 = -1 \text{ rad/s}$  and  $\omega_2 = 1 \text{ rad/s}$ .

15. (5 points) Three meshed gears rotate about fixed centers as shown. The radii are  $r_1 = 4$  m,  $r_2 = 2$  m, and  $r_3 = 3$  m and the corresponding angular velocities are  $\vec{\omega}_1 = 2\hat{k}$  rad/s,  $\vec{\omega}_2 = \omega_2\hat{k}$ , and  $\vec{\omega}_3 = \omega_3\hat{k}$ .

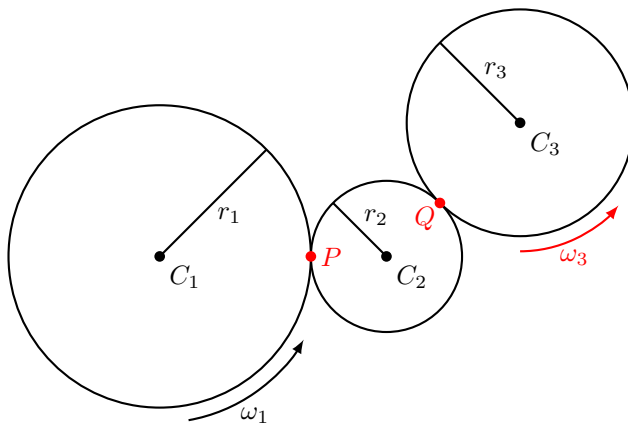


What is  $\omega_3$ ?

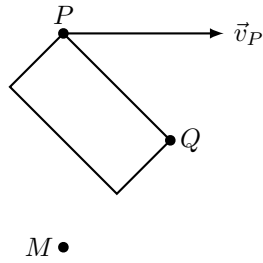
- (A) ★  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 3 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $3 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 4 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $4 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3$
- (D)  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 2 \text{ rad/s}$

**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:

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_1\omega_1 &= v_P = v_Q = r_3\omega_3 \\
 \omega_3 &= \frac{r_1}{r_3}\omega_1 \\
 &= \frac{4}{3}2 \\
 &\approx 2.67 \text{ rad/s.}
 \end{aligned}$$



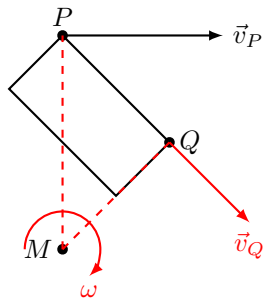
16. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with points  $P$  and  $Q$  attached to the body. The instantaneous center of the body is at point  $M$ .



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

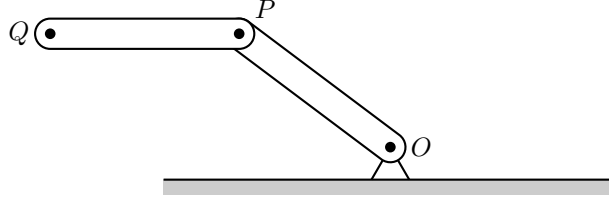
- (A) ★ ↘
- (B) ↙
- (C) ↗
- (D) ↖

**Solution.** The direction of  $\vec{v}_P$  shows the direction of  $\omega$ . Then  $\vec{v}_Q$  is orthogonal to  $\vec{r}_{MQ}$  in the  $\omega$  direction.





17. (5 points) Two rods are connected with pin joints at  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  as shown. The angular velocity and acceleration for rod  $OP$  are  $\vec{\omega}_1$  and  $\vec{\alpha}_1$ , while the angular velocity and acceleration for rod  $PQ$  are  $\vec{\omega}_2$  and  $\vec{\alpha}_2$ .



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

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

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

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

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

$$\vec{\alpha}_1 = -2\hat{k} \text{ rad/s}^2$$

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

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

(A)  $a_{Qy} = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$

(B)  $a_{Qy} < -2 \text{ m/s}^2$

(C) ★  $-2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qy} < 0 \text{ m/s}^2$

(D)  $0 \text{ m/s}^2 < a_{Qy} < 2 \text{ m/s}^2$

(E)  $2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qy}$

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

$$\vec{a}_P = \vec{a}_O + \vec{\alpha}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} + \vec{\omega}_1 \times (\vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP})$$

$$= 0 - 2\hat{k} \times (-4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) + 0$$

$$= 6\hat{i} + 8\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{a}_Q = \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega}_2 \times (\vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ})$$

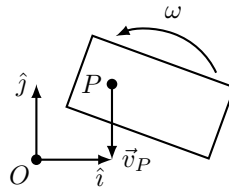
$$= (6\hat{i} + 8\hat{j}) + 2\hat{k} \times (-5\hat{i}) - \hat{k} \times (-\hat{k} \times (-5\hat{i}))$$

$$= (6\hat{i} + 8\hat{j}) - 10\hat{j} + 5\hat{i}$$

$$= 11\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}$$

$$a_{Qy} = -2 \text{ m/s}^2.$$

18. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = \hat{k}$  rad/s.



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

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

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

- (A) ★  $1 \text{ m} \leq M_x$
- (B)  $M_x = 0 \text{ m}$
- (C)  $0 \text{ m} < M_x < 1 \text{ m}$
- (D)  $-1 \text{ m} \leq M_x < 0 \text{ m}$
- (E)  $M_x < -1 \text{ m}$

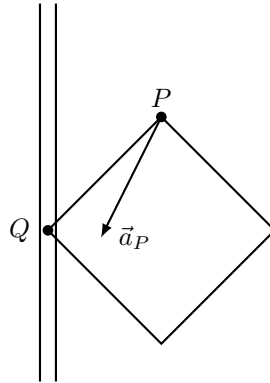
**Solution.** The position of  $M$  relative to  $P$  is:

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

Then the position of  $M$  is:

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

19. (5 points) 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 vertical slot.



Point  $P$  on the body has:

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

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

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

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

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

Equating components and solving gives:

$$\begin{aligned}\omega^2 &= 1 \\ a_Q &= \omega^2 - 2 \\ &= -1 \text{ m/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$

The magnitude is thus  $1 \text{ m/s}^2$ .

20. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -\hat{k}$  rad/s. Points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body have:

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

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

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

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**Solution.**

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

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## TAM 212. Midterm 2. Apr 4, 2013.

- There are 20 questions, each worth 5 points.
- You must not communicate with other students during this test.
- No electronic devices allowed.
- This is a 2 hour exam.
- Do not turn this page until instructed to do so.
- There are several different versions of this exam.
- The notation  $\vec{r}_{PQ}$  denotes the position vector from  $P$  to  $Q$ .

### 1. Fill in your information:

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

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95. A  
96. E

1. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = \hat{k}$  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:

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

$$\vec{v}_Q = 5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} \text{ m/s.}$$

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

(A)  $6 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 8 \text{ m}$

(B)  $2 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 4 \text{ m}$

(C)  $4 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 6 \text{ m}$

(D) ★  $8 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ}$

(E)  $0 \text{ m} \leq r_{PQ} < 2 \text{ m}$

**Solution.**

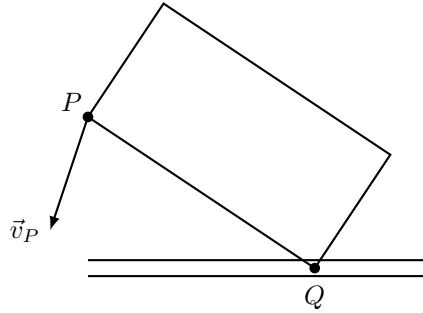
$$\vec{v}_Q = \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ}$$

$$5\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} = -3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + \hat{k} \times r_{PQ} \frac{1}{5}(-3\hat{i} - 4\hat{j})$$

$$8\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} = \frac{4}{5}r_{PQ}\hat{i} - \frac{3}{5}r_{PQ}\hat{j}$$

$$\implies r_{PQ} = 10 \text{ m.}$$

2. (5 points) 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:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PQ} &= 3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{v}_P &= -2\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} \text{ m/s.}\end{aligned}$$

What is  $\omega$ ?

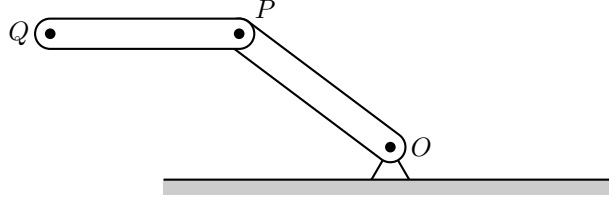
- (A)  $0 \text{ rad/s} < \omega < 2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B) ★  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega$
- (C)  $\omega < -2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $-2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $\omega = 0 \text{ rad/s}$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ v_Q \hat{i} &= -2\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + \omega \hat{k} \times (3\hat{i} - 2\hat{j}) \\ (v_Q + 2)\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} &= 2\omega \hat{i} + 3\omega \hat{j}\end{aligned}$$

Equating  $\hat{j}$  components gives  $\omega = 2 \text{ rad/s}$ .

3. (5 points) Two rods are connected with pin joints at  $O$ ,  $P$ , and  $Q$  as shown. The angular velocity and acceleration for rod  $OP$  are  $\vec{\omega}_1$  and  $\vec{\alpha}_1$ , while the angular velocity and acceleration for rod  $PQ$  are  $\vec{\omega}_2$  and  $\vec{\alpha}_2$ .



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

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{OP} &= -4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} \text{ m} & \vec{r}_{PQ} &= -5\hat{i} \text{ m} \\ \vec{\omega}_1 &= 0 & \vec{\omega}_2 &= \hat{k} \text{ rad/s} \\ \vec{\alpha}_1 &= 2\hat{k} \text{ rad/s}^2 & \vec{\alpha}_2 &= -\hat{k} \text{ rad/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$

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

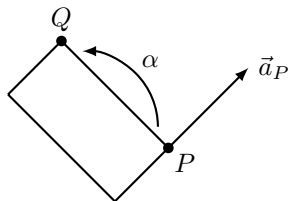
- (A)  $0 \text{ m/s}^2 < a_{Qy} < 2 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (B)  $2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qy}$
- (C) ★  $a_{Qy} < -2 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (D)  $-2 \text{ m/s}^2 \leq a_{Qy} < 0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (E)  $a_{Qy} = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a}_P &= \vec{a}_O + \vec{\alpha}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} + \vec{\omega}_1 \times (\vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP}) \\ &= 0 + 2\hat{k} \times (-4\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) + 0 \\ &= -6\hat{i} - 8\hat{j} \\ \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_P + \vec{\alpha}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} + \vec{\omega}_2 \times (\vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ}) \\ &= (-6\hat{i} - 8\hat{j}) - \hat{k} \times (-5\hat{i}) + \hat{k} \times (\hat{k} \times (-5\hat{i})) \\ &= (-6\hat{i} - 8\hat{j}) + 5\hat{j} + 5\hat{i} \\ &= -\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} \\ a_{Qy} &= -3 \text{ m/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$



4. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below, with a counterclockwise angular acceleration and points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body ( $\alpha$  is positive in the direction shown). We know that  $a_P = \omega^2 r_{PQ} = \alpha r_{PQ}$ .



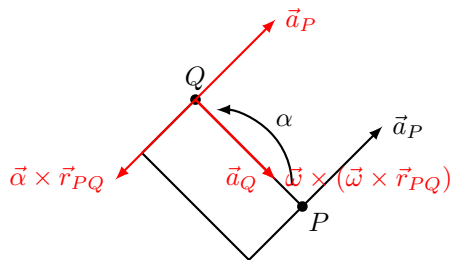
What is the direction of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$ ?

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

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

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

All three terms on the right hand side have the same magnitude ( $a_P = \omega^2 r_{PQ} = \alpha r_{PQ}$ ). Drawing the right-hand-side terms shows that the resulting direction for  $\vec{a}_Q$  is down-right:



5. (5 points) 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:

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

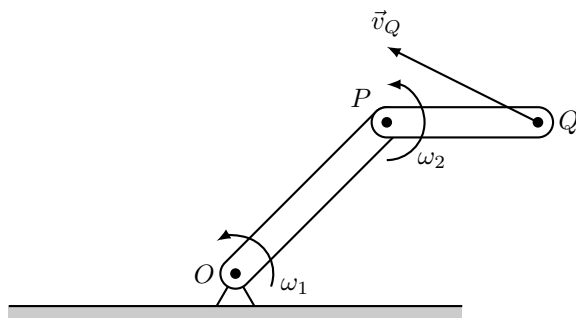
What is the  $\hat{j}$  component  $a_{Qy}$  of the acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

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

**Solution.**

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

6. (5 points) 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:

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

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

$$\vec{v}_Q = -4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} \text{ m/s.}$$

What is  $\omega_2$ ?

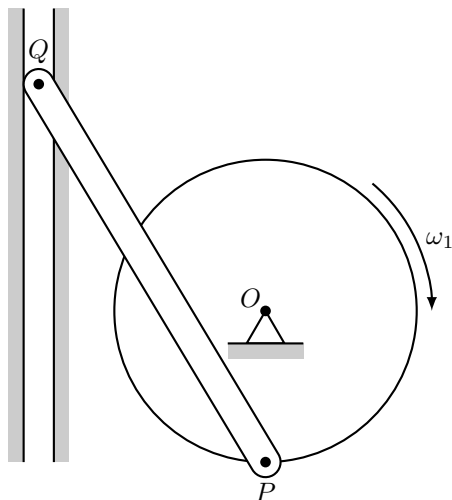
- (A)  $0 \text{ rad/s} < \omega_2 < 1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $\omega_2 < -1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C) ★  $-1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2 < 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $\omega_2 = 0 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}_P &= \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} \\ &= -2\omega_1 \hat{i} + 2\omega_1 \hat{j} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ -4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} &= -2\omega_1 \hat{i} + (2\omega_1 + 2\omega_2) \hat{j}. \end{aligned}$$

Comparing  $\hat{i}$  components gives  $\omega_1 = 2 \text{ rad/s}$  and  $\omega_2 = -1 \text{ rad/s}$ .

7. (5 points) A circular rigid body rotates about the fixed center  $O$  with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}_1 = -10\hat{k}$  rad/s as shown. A rigid rod connects pins  $P$  and  $Q$ , and point  $Q$  is constrained to only move vertically.



At the current instant the positions are:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{OP} &= -2\hat{j} \text{ m} \\ \vec{r}_{PQ} &= -3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j} \text{ m.}\end{aligned}$$

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

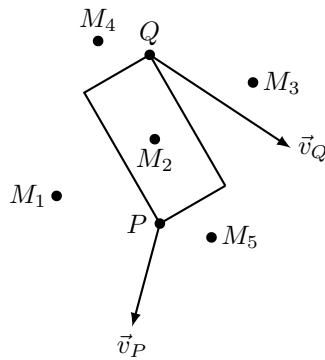
- (A) ★  $8 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q$
- (B)  $0 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 2 \text{ m/s}$
- (C)  $4 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 6 \text{ m/s}$
- (D)  $2 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 4 \text{ m/s}$
- (E)  $6 \text{ m/s} \leq v_Q < 8 \text{ m/s}$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_P &= \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{OP} \\ &= 0 - 10\hat{k} \times (-2\hat{j}) \\ &= -20\hat{i} \\ \vec{v}_Q &= \vec{v}_P + \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_{PQ} \\ &= -20\hat{i} + \omega_2\hat{k} \times (-3\hat{i} + 5\hat{j}) \\ v_Q\hat{j} &= (-20 - 5\omega_2)\hat{i} - 3\omega_2\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

Solving this gives  $\omega_2 = -4$  rad/s and  $v_Q = -3\omega_2 = 12$  m/s.

8. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below.

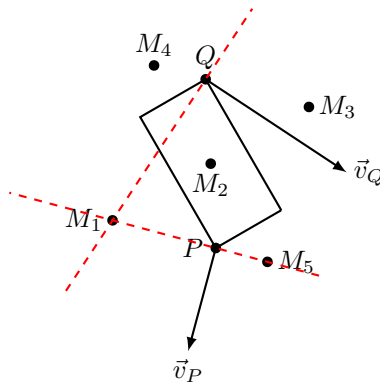


Which point  $M_i$  is the instantaneous center?

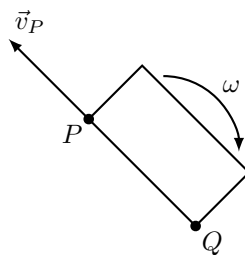
- (A)  $M_2$
- (B)  $M_4$
- (C) ★  $M_1$
- (D)  $M_5$
- (E)  $M_3$

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**Solution.** The lines through  $P$  and  $Q$  perpendicular to  $\vec{v}_P$  and  $\vec{v}_Q$  intersect at  $M_1$ , so that is the instantaneous center.



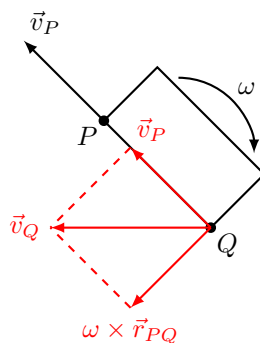
9. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown, with a clockwise rotation ( $\omega$  is positive in the direction indicated). The angular velocity  $\omega$ , distance  $r_{PQ}$ , and speed  $v_P$  satisfy  $\omega r_{PQ} = v_P$ .



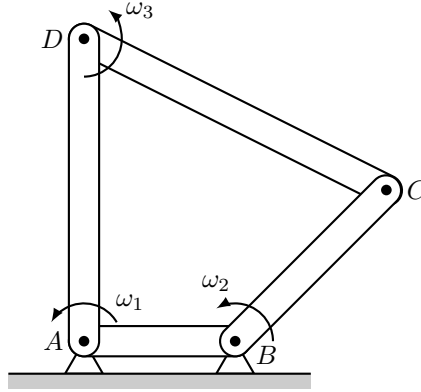
What is the direction of  $\vec{v}_Q$ ?

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

**Solution.**



10. (5 points) A four-bar linkage has rigid rods connecting pins at  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $D$ , as shown. The angular velocities are  $\vec{\omega}_1 = 3\hat{k}$  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:

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

What is  $\omega_2$ ?

- (A)  $6 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2 < 9 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2 < 3 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $12 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2$
- (D) ★  $3 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2 < 6 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $9 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_2 < 12 \text{ rad/s}$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_D &= \vec{v}_A + \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_{AD} \\ &= 0 + 3\hat{k} \times 2\hat{j} \\ &= -6\hat{i} \\ \vec{v}_C &= \vec{v}_D + \vec{\omega}_3 \times \vec{r}_{DC} \\ &= -6\hat{i} + \omega_3\hat{k} \times (2\hat{i} - \hat{j}) \\ &= (-6 + \omega_3)\hat{i} + 2\omega_3\hat{j}.\end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

$$-6 + \omega_3 = -\omega_2$$

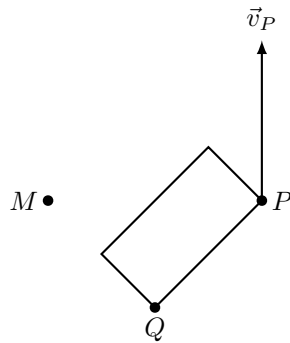
$$2\omega_3 = \omega_2.$$

Solving these equations gives  $\omega_3 = 2$  rad/s and  $\omega_2 = 4$  rad/s.

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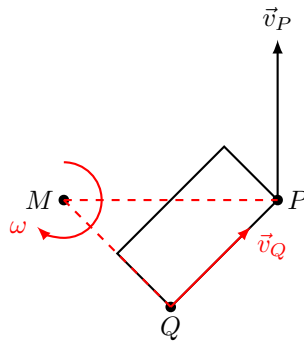
11. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below with points  $P$  and  $Q$  attached to the body. The instantaneous center of the body is at point  $M$ .



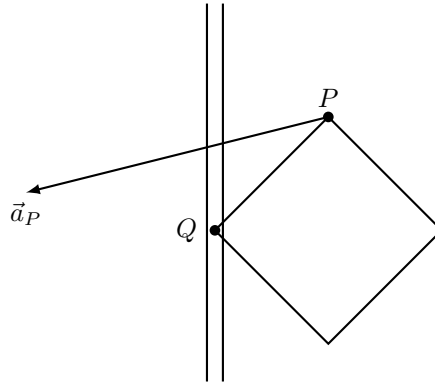
What is the direction of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

- (A) ↖
- (B) ↙
- (C) ↘
- (D) ★ ↗

**Solution.** The direction of  $\vec{v}_P$  shows the direction of  $\omega$ . Then  $\vec{v}_Q$  is orthogonal to  $\vec{r}_{MQ}$  in the  $\omega$  direction.



12. (5 points) 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 vertical slot.



Point  $P$  on the body has:

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

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

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

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

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

Equating components and solving gives:

$$\begin{aligned}\omega^2 &= 4 \\ a_Q &= \omega^2 - 1 \\ &= 3 \text{ m/s}^2.\end{aligned}$$

13. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = 2\hat{k}$  rad/s. Points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the body have:

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

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

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

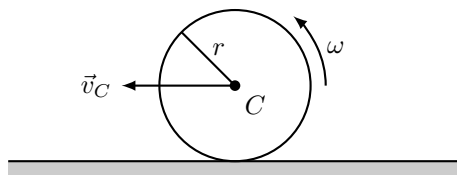
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**Solution.**

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

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14. (5 points) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 6$  m is rolling without slipping on a flat surface in 2D as shown. The speed of the center is  $v_C = 4$  m/s.



What is the angular velocity  $\omega$ ?

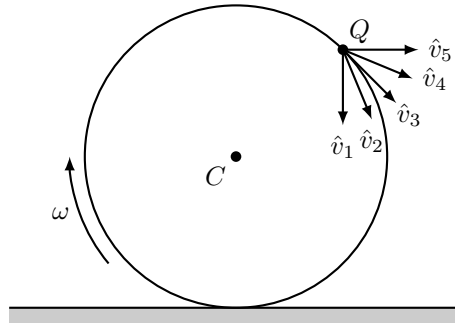
- (A)  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 3 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 2 \text{ rad/s}$
- (C)  $3 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 4 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D) ★  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega < 1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E)  $4 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega$

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**Solution.**  $v_c = r\omega$  so  $\omega = v_c/r = 4/6 \approx 0.67 \text{ rad/s}$ .

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15. (5 points) A circular rigid body is rolling without slipping on a flat surface in 2D in a clockwise direction as shown.



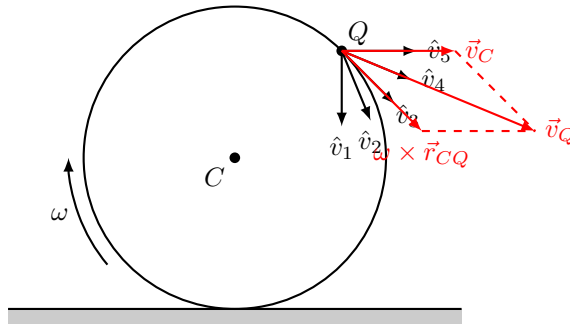
What is the direction of the velocity  $\vec{v}_Q$  of point  $Q$ ?

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

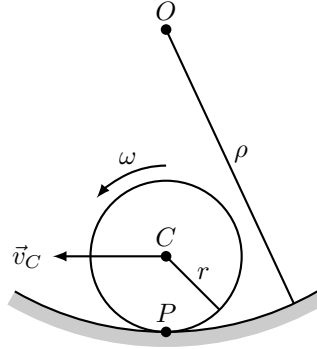
**Solution.** Starting from point  $C$ , the velocity at point  $Q$  is given by:

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

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  $\vec{r}_{CQ}$ , while the  $\vec{v}_C$  term is horizontal. Adding the two terms gives a resultant  $\vec{v}_Q$  exactly half way between the two component vectors.



16. (5 points) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 3$  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  $a_P = 30$  m/s<sup>2</sup>.



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

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

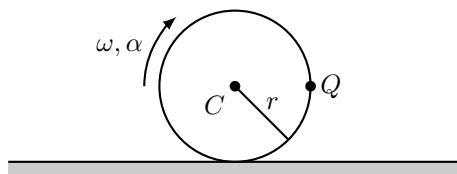
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**Solution.** Because we are rolling on the inside,  $R = \rho - r$ , giving:

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_P &= \frac{\rho}{R} r \omega^2 \\
 30 &= \frac{\rho}{\rho - 3} 3 \times 2^2 \\
 \rho &= 5 \text{ m.}
 \end{aligned}$$


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17. (5 points) A circular rigid body with radius  $r = 2$  m is rolling without slipping with angular velocity  $\vec{\omega} = -\hat{k}$  rad/s 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 right edge of the body and has acceleration  $\vec{a}_Q = \hat{i} - 3\hat{j}$  m/s<sup>2</sup>.



What is  $\alpha$ ?

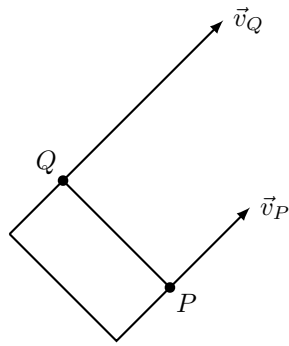
- (A)  $0.5 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 1 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (B)  $2 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha$
- (C) ★  $1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 2 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (D)  $1 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$
- (E)  $0 \text{ rad/s}^2 \leq \alpha < 0.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{a}_Q &= \vec{a}_C + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{CQ} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{CQ}) \\
 &= (-\alpha\hat{k}) \times r\hat{j} + (-\alpha\hat{k}) \times r\hat{i} + (-\omega\hat{k}) \times (-\omega\hat{k} \times r\hat{i}) \\
 &= r\alpha\hat{i} - r\alpha\hat{j} - r\omega^2\hat{i} \\
 &= r(\alpha - \omega^2)\hat{i} - r\alpha\hat{j} \\
 \hat{i} - 3\hat{j} &= 2(\alpha - 1)\hat{i} - 2\alpha\hat{j}
 \end{aligned}$$

So  $\alpha = 1.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$ .

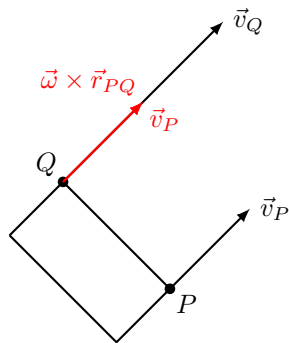
18. (5 points) A rigid body is moving in 2D as shown below.



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

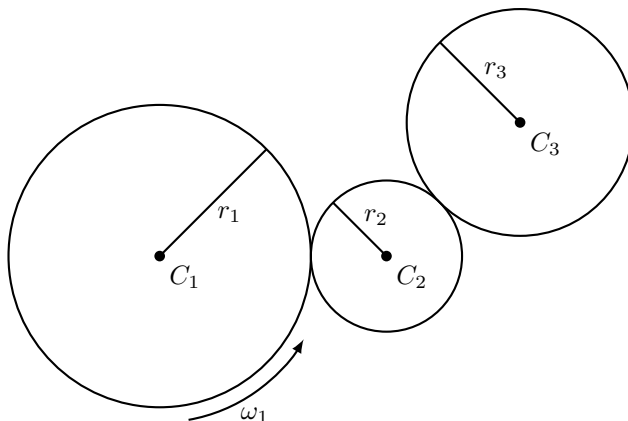
- (A)  $\odot$  (counterclockwise)
- (B)  $\star \odot$  (clockwise)

**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.





19. (5 points) Three meshed gears rotate about fixed centers as shown. The radii are  $r_1 = 4$  m,  $r_2 = 2$  m, and  $r_3 = 3$  m and the corresponding angular velocities are  $\vec{\omega}_1 = \hat{k}$  rad/s,  $\vec{\omega}_2 = \omega_2 \hat{k}$ , and  $\vec{\omega}_3 = \omega_3 \hat{k}$ .

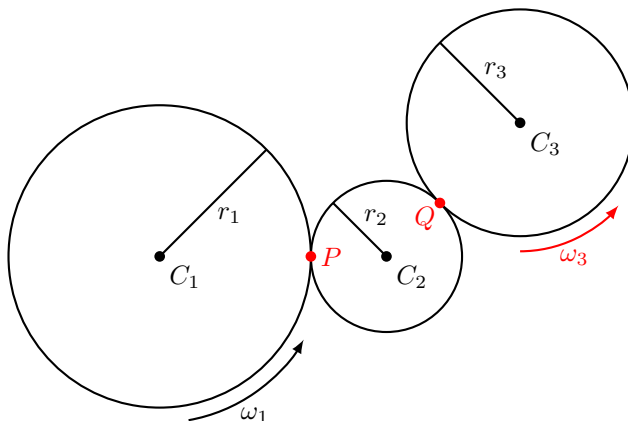


What is  $\omega_3$ ?

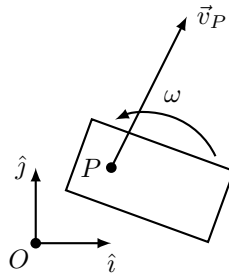
- (A)  $2 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 3 \text{ rad/s}$
- (B)  $4 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3$
- (C)  $3 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 4 \text{ rad/s}$
- (D)  $0 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 1 \text{ rad/s}$
- (E) ★  $1 \text{ rad/s} \leq \omega_3 < 2 \text{ rad/s}$

**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:

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_1 \omega_1 &= v_P = v_Q = r_3 \omega_3 \\
 \omega_3 &= \frac{r_1}{r_3} \omega_1 \\
 &= \frac{4}{3} 1 \\
 &\approx 1.33 \text{ rad/s.}
 \end{aligned}$$



20. (5 points) 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:

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

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

- (A)  $M_x = 0$  m
- (B)  $M_x < -1$  m
- (C)  $0 \text{ m} < M_x < 1$  m
- (D)  $1 \text{ m} \leq M_x$
- (E) ★  $-1 \text{ m} \leq M_x < 0$  m

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

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_{PM} &= \frac{1}{\omega^2} \omega \hat{k} \times \vec{v}_P \\ &= \frac{1}{2^2} 2\hat{k} \times (2\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (-8\hat{i} + 4\hat{j}) \\ &= -2\hat{i} + \hat{j} \text{ m}.\end{aligned}$$

Then the position of  $M$  is:

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