

# Dynamics of the relative motion of a particle

Relative motion:

$$\vec{a} = \vec{a}_t + \vec{a}_r + \vec{a}_c$$

transport acceleration
relative acceleration
Coriolis acceleration

Equation of motion:  $\vec{F}_r$  - relative force

$$m \cdot \vec{a}_r = \vec{F} - m \cdot \vec{a}_t - m \cdot \vec{a}_c$$

direct applied forces
transport inertial force
centrifugal inertial force

where:

$$\vec{F}_c = -m \cdot \vec{a}_c = -2m \cdot \vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}_r$$

$$\vec{F}_t = -m \cdot \vec{a}_t = -m [\vec{a}_0 + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})]$$

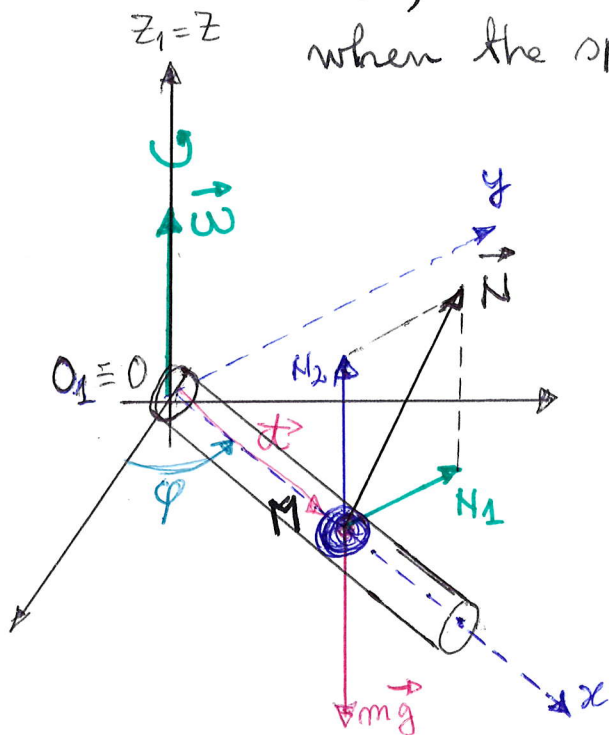
Theorem (of the relative motion) The equation of motion of a particle with respect to an inertial frame of reference maintains its form with respect to a non-inertial one if the given force is replaced by the force relative to the later frame.

$$m \cdot \vec{a}_r = \vec{F}_r$$

① A smooth horizontal cylinder of length  $2a$  rotates about a vertical axis passing through the extremity of the cylinder with the angular velocity  $\omega = \text{const}$ . Inside the cylinder there is a sphere of mass  $m$ . At the initial moment ( $t=0$ ) the distance between the sphere and the rotation axis is  $a$ , and its velocity relative to the cylinder is zero.

Find: a) The relative equation of motion of the sphere along the cylinder and the reaction  $\vec{H}$  of the cylinder upon the sphere.

b) The absolute trajectory, the absolute velocity  $\vec{v}_a$ , the relative velocity  $\vec{v}_r$  and the time when the sphere leaves the cylinder.



a) Remark: The sphere can move inside the tube only in the  $Ox$  direction, it means we have two restrictions

$$y=0, z=0$$

and thus, we have two normal reactions:

$$\vec{H}_1 = H_1 \cdot \vec{j}, \quad H_2 = H_2 \cdot \vec{m}. \quad (1)$$

The total normal reaction will be:

$$\vec{H} = \vec{H}_1 + \vec{H}_2 = H_1 \cdot \vec{j} + H_2 \cdot \vec{m}. \quad (2)$$

The equation of the relative motion is:

$$m \vec{a}_r = m \vec{g} + \vec{H} + \vec{F}_t + \vec{F}_c \quad (3)$$

where

$$\vec{F}_t = -m \cdot \vec{a}_t = -m \left[ \cancel{\vec{a}_0} + (\vec{r} \times \cancel{\vec{\omega}}) + \underbrace{\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})}_{-\omega^2 \vec{r}} \right] = -m (-\omega^2 \cdot x \cdot \vec{i}) = m \omega^2 x \cdot \vec{i}. \quad (4)$$

$$\boxed{\vec{r} = x \cdot \vec{i}}$$

$$\vec{F}_C = -m\vec{a}_C = -m \cdot 2\vec{\omega} \times \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial t} = -2m(\vec{\omega} \times \dot{\vec{r}}) = -2m\omega \cdot \dot{\vec{r}}(\vec{e}_0 \times \vec{r}) \Rightarrow$$

$$\vec{r} = x \cdot \vec{e}_1, \quad \vec{v}_L = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial t} = \dot{x} \vec{e}_1$$

$$\vec{F}_C = -2m\omega \dot{x} \vec{e}_2 \quad (5)$$

Next we consider eq. (3) on the  $Oxy$  axis:

$$\begin{cases} Ox: m\ddot{x} = m\omega^2 x \\ Oy: 0 = N_1 - 2m\omega \dot{x} \\ Oz: 0 = N_2 - mg \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x(t) = C_1 e^{\omega t} + C_2 e^{-\omega t} \\ N_1 = 2m\omega \dot{x} \\ N_2 = mg \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

$$\ddot{x} - \omega^2 x = 0 \Rightarrow \omega^2 - \omega^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \omega_{1,2} = \pm \omega$$

At  $t=0$  (initial conditions):

$$(7) \quad \begin{cases} x(0) = a \\ \dot{x}(0) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} C_1 + C_2 = a \\ \omega C_1 - \omega C_2 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow C_1 = C_2 = \frac{a}{2} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \frac{a}{2} (e^{\omega t} + e^{-\omega t}) = a \cdot \text{ch}(\omega t) \quad (8) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} y(t) = 0 \\ z(t) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{equations} \\ \text{of motion} \\ \text{(relative).} \end{array}$$

Next from (6b) and (6c) we have:

$$N_1 = 2m\omega \frac{a}{2} \omega (e^{\omega t} - e^{-\omega t}) \Rightarrow N_1 = 2m\omega^2 a \text{sh}(\omega t) \quad (9)$$

$$N_2 = mg$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{N} = 2m\omega^2 a \text{sh}(\omega t) \cdot \vec{e}_1 + mg \vec{e}_3} \quad (10)$$

b) The absolute motion of the sphere is composed by a rotation and a translation.

$$\text{Let be } s = s(t) = x(t) = a \text{ch}(\omega t) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{s = \text{ch}(\varphi)} \quad (11)$$

$$\varphi = \varphi(t) = \omega \cdot t$$

$$\left( \frac{d\varphi}{dt} = \omega \Rightarrow \varphi = \omega \cdot t + \varphi_0 \right)$$

↑  
the absolute trajectory  
of the sphere (spiral).



The absolute velocity:

$$\vec{v}_a = \vec{v}_r + \vec{v}_t = \dot{x} \vec{i} + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) = \dot{x} \vec{i} + (\omega \vec{k} \times x \vec{i}) = \dot{x} \vec{i} + \omega x \vec{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_a = a\omega \operatorname{sh}(\omega t) \cdot \vec{i} + a\omega \operatorname{ch}(\omega t) \cdot \vec{j} = a\omega [\operatorname{sh}(\omega t) \cdot \vec{i} + \operatorname{ch}(\omega t) \cdot \vec{j}]$$

$$\dot{x}(t) = a\omega \frac{e^{\omega t} - e^{-\omega t}}{2} = a\omega \operatorname{sh}(\omega t). \quad (12)$$

The relative velocity:

$$\vec{v}_r = \dot{x} \vec{i} = a\omega \operatorname{sh}(\omega t) \cdot \vec{i}. \quad (13)$$

$$|\vec{v}_a| = a\omega \sqrt{\operatorname{sh}^2(\omega t) + \operatorname{ch}^2(\omega t)} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{ch}^2 - \operatorname{sh}^2 = 1} a\omega \sqrt{2\operatorname{ch}^2(\omega t) - 1}$$

$$|\vec{v}_r| = a\omega \sqrt{\operatorname{ch}^2(\omega t) - 1}$$

When the sphere leaves the tube, we have:

$$x(t_e) = 2a \xrightarrow{(8)} a \operatorname{ch}(\omega t_e) \Rightarrow \boxed{\operatorname{ch}(\omega t_e) = 2} \quad (14)$$

Thus

$$v_a(t_e) = a\omega \sqrt{8-1} = a\omega \sqrt{7}$$

$$v_r(t_e) = a\omega \sqrt{4-1} = a\omega \sqrt{3}$$

In order to find the exit time,  $t_e$ , we have to solve eq. (14).

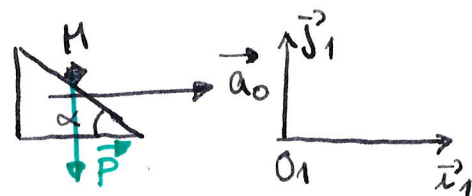
$$\frac{e^{\omega t_e} + e^{-\omega t_e}}{2} = 2 \Rightarrow e^{\omega t_e} + \frac{1}{e^{\omega t_e}} = 4 \Rightarrow u + \frac{1}{u} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow u^2 - 4u + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow u_{1,2} = 2 \pm \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow e^{\omega t_e} = 2 \pm \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow$$

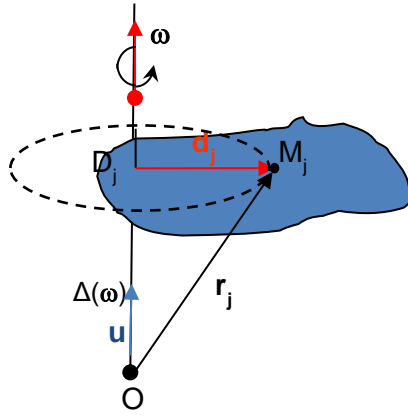
$$\Rightarrow \omega t_e = \ln(2 \pm \sqrt{3}) \Rightarrow \omega t_e = \ln(2 + \sqrt{3}) \Rightarrow \boxed{t_e = \frac{1}{\omega} \ln(2 + \sqrt{3})} \quad (15)$$

For "-" we obtain a negative time.

- ② (home-work) A particle M of weight  $\vec{P} = m\vec{g}$  is moving with friction (the friction coefficient is  $f$ ) on the face of a triangular prism. The prism has a translation motion with the acceleration  $\vec{a}_0$  in a fixed system  $O_1 \vec{i}_1 \vec{j}_1$ . Find the relative acceleration of M and the pressure exerted by M on the prism's face. The angle between the prism's face and  $O_1 \vec{i}_1$  is  $\alpha$ .



2) Find the expression of the kinetic energy of a rotating rigid system (rigid body), (S) about a fixed axis  $\Delta(O, \vec{u})$  with an angular velocity  $\vec{\omega}$ , where  $\vec{u}$  is the unit vector of the axis  $\Delta$ .



Consider the rigid discrete system:

$$(S): M_j(m_j), \vec{r}_j = \overrightarrow{OM_j}, j = 1, \dots, N$$

The velocity  $\vec{v}_j$  of the point  $M_j$  is given by:

$$\vec{v}_j = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_j \quad (1)$$

Let be  $D_j = pr_{\Delta} M_j$ . Thus, we have

$$\vec{r}_j = \overrightarrow{OD_j} + \vec{d}_j \quad (2)$$

where  $\vec{d}_j = \overrightarrow{D_j M_j}$ . Using (1) and (2) we get:

$$\vec{v}_j = \vec{\omega} \times (\overrightarrow{OD_j} + \vec{d}_j) \underset{\vec{\omega} \parallel \overrightarrow{OD_j}}{=} \vec{\omega} \times \vec{d}_j \Rightarrow \vec{v}_j = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{d}_j \quad (3)$$

Now we can calculate the kinetic energy

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N m_j v_j^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N m_j (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{d}_j)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N m_j \omega^2 d_j^2 \underbrace{\sin^2(\vec{\omega}, \vec{d}_j)}_{=1(\vec{\omega} \perp \vec{d}_j)} = \frac{1}{2} \omega^2 \sum_{j=1}^N m_j d_j^2 = \frac{1}{2} I(\Delta) \omega^2$$

where

$$I(\Delta) = \sum_{j=1}^N m_j d_j^2$$

is the **moment of inertia** of the system (S) with respect to  $\Delta$ .

Therefore, the **kinetic energy of the rigid body rotating about the axis  $\Delta$**  is given by:

$$T = \frac{1}{2} I(\Delta) \omega^2$$