

# **Computational Engineering Mechanics 2**

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**Project**

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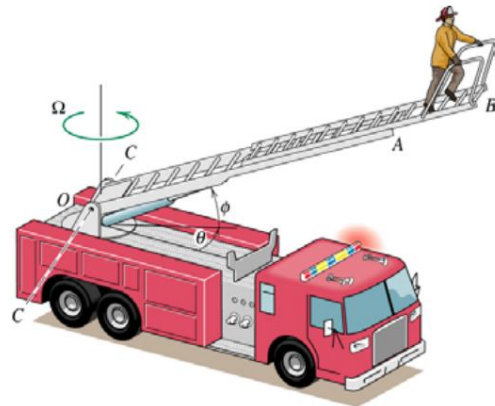
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**Q1):**The base structure of the firetruck ladder rotates about a vertical axis through O with a constant angular velocity  $\theta = \Omega$ . At the same time, the ladder unit OB elevates at a constant rate  $\phi = \Psi$ , and section AB of the ladder extends from within section OA at the constant rate  $R = \lambda$ . Find general expressions for the components of acceleration of point B in spherical coordinates if, at time  $t = 0$ ,  $\theta = 0$ ,  $\phi = 0$ , and  $AB = 0$ . Express your answers in terms of  $\Omega$ ,  $\Psi$ ,  $\Lambda$ ,  $R_0$  and  $t$ , where  $R_0 = OA$  and is constant. Plot the components of acceleration of B as a function of time for the case  $\Omega = 5 \text{ deg/s}$ ,  $\Psi = 14 \text{ deg/s}$ ,  $\lambda = 1 \text{ m/s}$ , and  $R_0 = 4.5 \text{ m}$ . Let  $t$  vary between 0 and the time at which  $\phi = 90^\circ$ .



**Sol):**

The components of acceleration in spherical coordinates are,

$$a_R = \ddot{R} - R\dot{\phi}^2 - R\dot{\theta}^2 \cos^2 \phi$$

$$a_\theta = \frac{\cos \phi}{R} \frac{d}{dt} (R^2 \dot{\theta}) - 2R\dot{\theta}\dot{\phi} \sin \phi$$

$$a_\phi = \frac{1}{R} \frac{d}{dt} (R^2 \dot{\phi}) + R\dot{\theta}^2 \sin \phi \cos \phi$$

The components may be obtained as functions of time by substituting,

$$R = R_0 + \Lambda t, \quad \theta = \Omega t \text{ and } \phi = \Psi t$$

Differentiation and substitution will be performed in MATLAB. The results are,

$$a_R = (R_0 + \lambda t)(\Psi^2 - \Omega^2 \cos^2(\Psi t))$$

$$a_\theta = 2\Omega\lambda \cos(\Psi t) - 2\Omega\Psi(R_0 + \lambda t)\sin(\Psi t)$$

$$a_\phi = 2\Psi\lambda + (R_0 + \lambda t)\Omega^2 \sin(\Psi t)\cos(\Psi t)$$

----- Script #1 -----

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1
2 % acceleration symbolically
3 % O = Omega; P = Phi; L = Lambda
4 syms O P L t R0
5 R = R0+L*t;
6 theta = O*t;
7 phi = P*t; |
8 a_R = diff(R,t,2)-R*diff(phi,t)^2-R*diff(theta,t)^2*cos(phi)^2
9 a_theta = cos(phi)/R*diff(R^2*diff(theta,t),t)-2*R*diff(theta,t)*diff(phi,t)*s
10 a_phi = 1/R*diff(R^2*diff(phi,t),t)+R*diff(theta,t)^2*sin(phi)*cos(phi)

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$$a_R = (-R_0 - L t) O^2 \cos(P t)^2 + (-R_0 - L t) P^2$$

$$a_{\theta} = 2 L O \cos(P t) - O P \sin(P t) (2 R_0 + 2 L t)$$

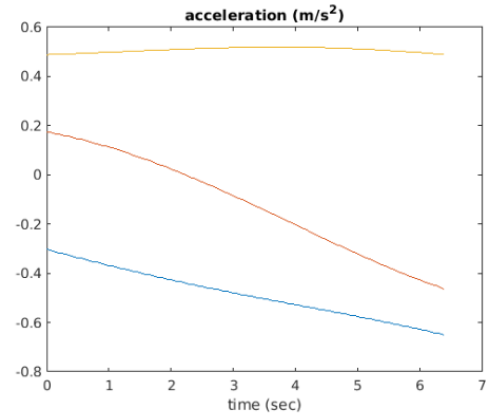
$$a_{\phi} = \cos(P t) \sin(P t) (R_0 + L t) O^2 + 2 L P$$

----- Script #2 -----

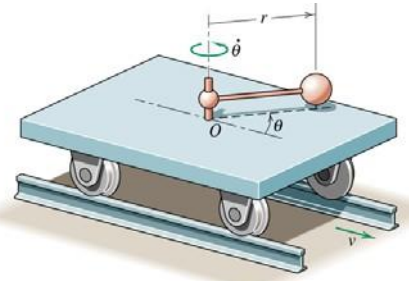
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1 % This script plots the components of the acceleration
2 % as functions of time
3 % O = Omega; P = Phi; L = Lambda
4 L = 1; O = 5*pi/180;
5 P = 14*pi/180; R0 = 4.5;
6 tf = pi/2/P; % time at which phi=pi/2
7 t=0:0.05:tf;
8 a_R = -(R0+L*t)*P^2-(R0+L*t).*O^2.*cos(P*t).^2;
9 a_theta = 2*cos(P*t)*O*L-(2*R0+2*L*t)*O*P.*sin(P*t);
10 a_phi = 2*P*L+(R0+L*t)*O^2.*sin(P*t).*cos(P*t);
11 plot(t,a_R,t,a_theta,t,a_phi)
12 xlabel('time (sec)')
13 title('acceleration (m/s^2)')

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**Q2):** The small car, which has a mass of 20 kg, rolls freely on the horizontal track and carries the 5- kg sphere mounted on the light rotating rod with  $r = 0.4$  m. A geared motor drive maintains a constant angular speed  $\dot{\theta} = 4$  rad/s of the rod. If the car has a velocity  $v = 0.6$  m/s when  $\theta = 0$ , plot  $v$  as a function of  $\theta$  for one revolution of the rod. Also plot the absolute position of the sphere for two revolutions of the rod. Neglect the mass of the wheels and any friction



**Sol):**

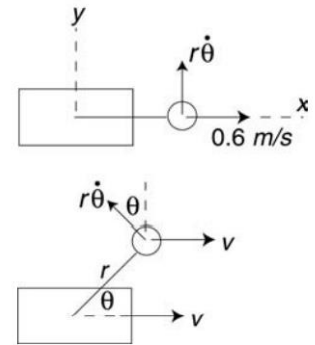
Since  $\Sigma F_x = 0$  we have conservation of momentum in the  $x$  direction. The diagram to the right shows the system at  $\theta = 0$  and at an arbitrary angle  $\theta$ . From the relative velocity equation, the velocity of the sphere is the vector sum of the velocity of the car ( $v$ ) and the velocity of the sphere relative to the car ( $r\dot{\theta}$ )

$$(G_x)_{\theta=0} = 20(0.6) + 5(0.6) = 15 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$(G_x)_\theta = 20v + 5(v - r\dot{\theta}\sin\theta) = 25v - 8\sin\theta$$

Setting  $(G_x)_{\theta=0} = (G_x)_\theta$  and solving yields,

$$v = 0.6 + 0.32 \sin \theta$$



Now let time  $t = 0$  be the time when  $\theta = 0$  and place an  $x$ - $y$  coordinate system at the center of the car as shown in the diagram so that  $x(t)$  is the position of the center of the car. Since  $v = dx/dt$  and  $\theta = 4t$  we have,

$$x = \int_0^t v dt = \int_0^t (0.6 + 0.32 \sin(4t)) dt = 0.6t + 0.08(1 - \cos(4t))$$

The  $x$  and  $y$  components of the sphere can now be determined as,

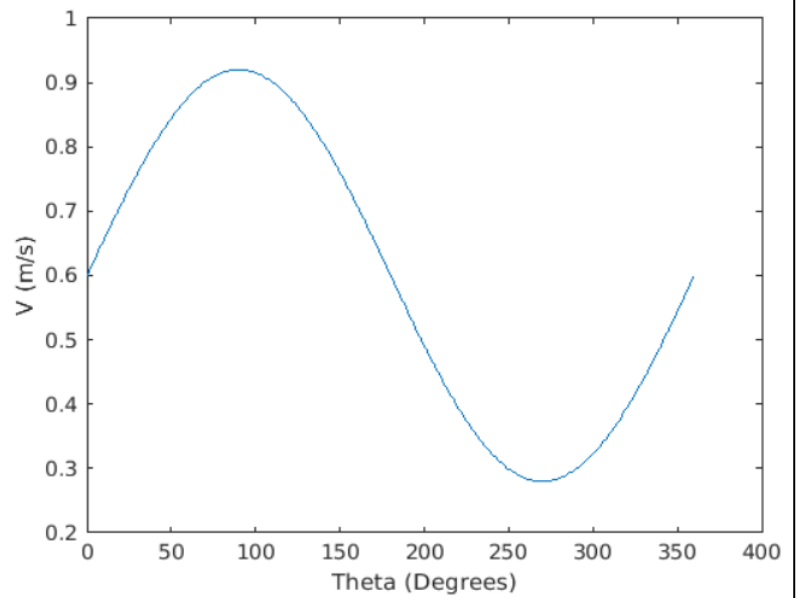
$$x_s = x + r \cos\theta = 0.08 + 0.6t + 0.32 \cos(4t)$$

$$y_s = r \sin\theta = 0.4 \sin(4t)$$

The absolute position of the sphere can be obtained by plotting  $y_s$  versus  $x_s$ . The time required for two revolutions of the arm is  $4\pi/4 = \pi$  seconds.

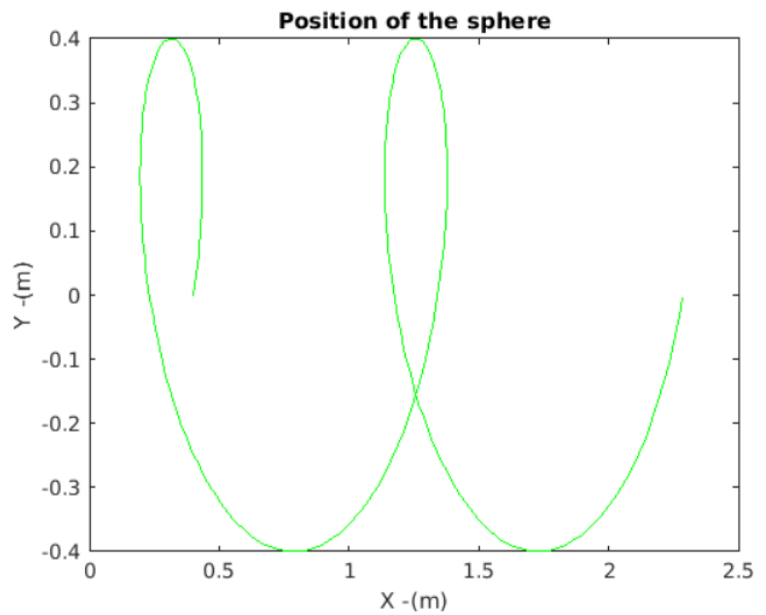
----- Script #1 -----

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1 % plots v as a function of theta
2 theta = 0:0.02:2*pi;
3 v = 0.6 + 0.32*sin(theta);
4 plot(theta*180/pi, v)
5 xlabel('Theta (Degrees)')
6 ylabel('V (m/s)')
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----- Script #2 -----

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% This script plots the position of the sphere
t = 0:0.01:pi;
xs = 0.08+0.6*t+0.32*cos(4*t);
ys = 0.4*sin(4*t);
plot(xs, ys, "G")
xlabel('X -(m)')
ylabel('Y -(m)')
title('Position of the sphere')
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**Q3):** The two rotor blades of radius  $r = 800\text{-mm}$  rotate counterclockwise with a constant angular velocity  $\omega$  about the shaft at  $O$  mounted in the sliding block. The acceleration of the block is  $a_O$ . Determine the magnitude of the acceleration of the tip  $A$  of the blade in terms of  $r$ ,  $\omega$ ,  $a_O$ , and  $\theta$ . Plot the acceleration of  $A$  as a function of  $\theta$  for one revolution if  $a_O = 3\text{ m/s}^2$ . Consider three

cases:  $\omega = 2, 4, \text{ and } 6\text{ rad/s}$ .

**Sol):**

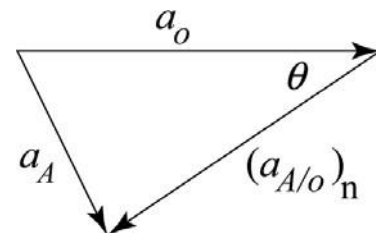
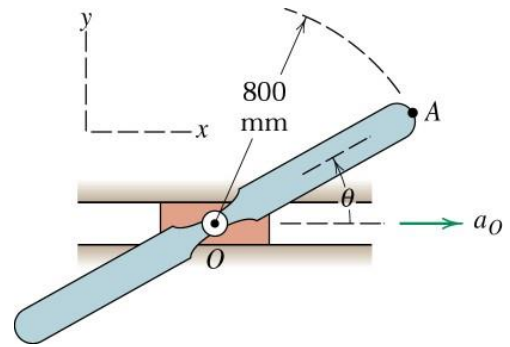
The acceleration of  $A$  relative to  $O$  is

$$\mathbf{a}_A = \mathbf{a}_O + (\mathbf{a}_{A/O})_n + (\mathbf{a}_{A/O})_t$$

The acceleration of  $O$  is to the right while the normal relative acceleration must point from  $A$  towards  $O$ . Since  $\omega$  is constant, the tangential relative acceleration will be zero. These considerations lead to the vector diagram shown to the right. Using the law of cosines,

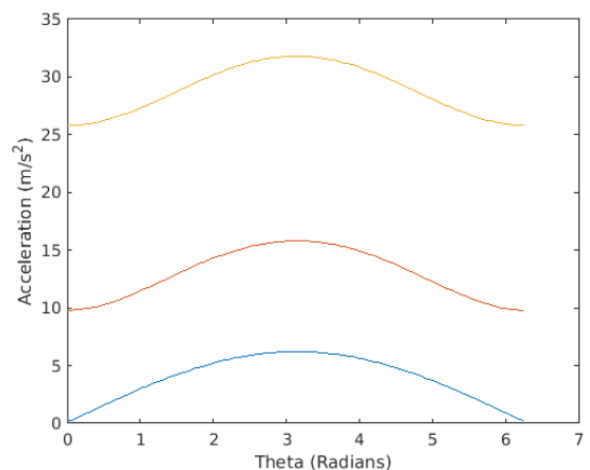
$$a_A = \sqrt{a_O^2 + (a_{A/O})^2 - 2a_O(a_{A/O})\cos\theta}$$

$$a_A = \sqrt{a_O^2 + (r\omega^2)^2 - 2a_O(r\omega^2)\cos\theta}$$

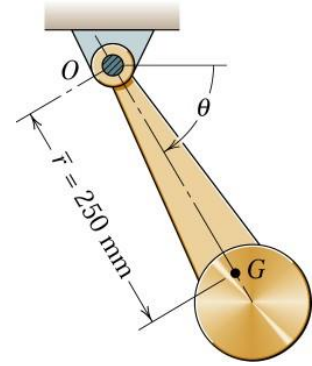


----- Script # -----

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1  aA = inline('sqrt(3^2+0.8^2*omega^4-2*3*0.8*omega^2*cos(theta))');
2  th = 0:.05:2*pi;
3  plot(th,aA(2,th),th,aA(4,th),th,aA(6,th))
4  xlabel('Theta (Radians)')
5  ylabel('Acceleration (m/s^2)')
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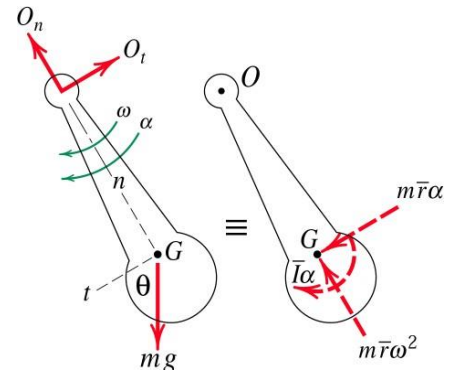
**Q4):** The pendulum has a mass of 7.5 kg with a mass center at  $G$  and a radius of gyration about the pivot  $O$  of 295 mm. If the pendulum is released from rest when  $\theta = 0$ , plot the total force supported by the bearing at  $O$  along with its normal and tangential components as a function of  $\theta$ . Let  $\theta$  range between  $0$  and  $180^\circ$ .



**Sol):**

The free body and mass acceleration diagrams are identical to those in the sample problem. The main difference in approach is that we will obtain results at an arbitrary angle  $\theta$  rather than at  $60^\circ$

$$[\Sigma M_O = I_O \alpha] \quad mgr \cos \theta = mk_0^2 \alpha \quad \alpha = \frac{gr \cos \theta}{k_0^2}$$



$$[\omega d\omega = \alpha d\theta] \quad \int_0^\omega \omega d\omega = \frac{gr}{k_0^2} \int_0^\theta \cos \theta d\theta = \frac{gr}{k_0^2} \sin \theta$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{2gr}{k_0^2} \sin \theta$$

$$[\Sigma F_n = m\bar{r}\omega^2] \quad O_n - mg \sin \theta = m\bar{r}\omega^2$$

$$[\Sigma F_t = m\bar{r}\alpha] \quad -O_t + mg \cos \theta = m\bar{r}\alpha$$

After substituting for  $\alpha$  and  $\omega$  we have,

$$O_n = mg \left( 1 + 2 \frac{\bar{r}^2}{k_0^2} \right) \sin \theta \quad O_t = mg \left( 1 - \frac{\bar{r}^2}{k_0^2} \right) \cos \theta$$

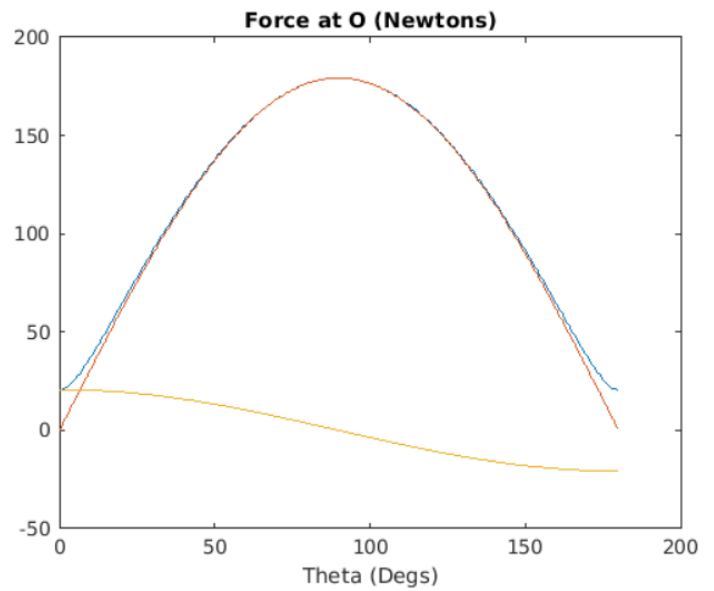
The magnitude of the force at  $O$  is,

$$O = \sqrt{(O_n)^2 + (O_t)^2}$$

After substituting  $r = 0.25$  m,  $k_0 = 0.295$  m,  $m = 7.5$  kg, and  $g = 9.81$  m/s<sup>2</sup> all forces will be functions of  $\theta$  only.

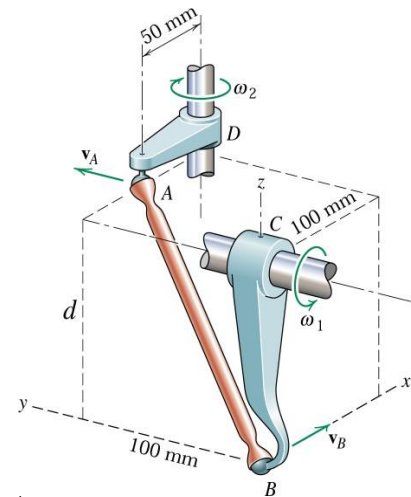
----- Script # -----

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1 % plots the force at O and its
2 % components as functions of theta
3 rb = 0.25;
4 k0 = 0.295;
5 mg = 7.5*9.81;
6 theta = 0:0.01:pi;
7 On = mg*(1+2*(rb/k0)^2)*sin(theta);
8 Ot = mg*(1-(rb/k0)^2)*cos(theta);
9 O=sqrt(On.^2+Ot.^2);
10 td=180*theta/pi; % converts to degrees
11 plot(td,O,td,On,td,Ot)
12 xlabel('Theta (Degs)')
13 title('Force at O (Newtons)')
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**Q5):** Crank  $CB$  rotates about the horizontal axis with an angular velocity  $\omega_1 = 6 \text{ rad/s}$ , which is constant for a short interval of motion that includes the position shown. Link  $AB$  has a ball-and-socket fitting on each end and connects crank  $DA$  with  $CB$ . Let the length of crank  $CB$  be  $d \text{ mm}$  (instead of  $100 \text{ mm}$  as in the sample problem in your text) and plot  $\omega_2$  and  $\omega_n$  as a function of  $d$  for  $0 \leq d \leq 200 \text{ mm}$ .  $\omega_2$  is the angular velocity of crank  $DA$  while  $\omega_n$  is the angular velocity of link  $AB$ .



**Sol):**

Our analysis will follow closely that in the sample problem in your text.

$$\mathbf{v}_A = \mathbf{v}_B + \omega_n \times \mathbf{r}_{A/B}$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{v}_A = 50\omega_2\mathbf{j} \quad \mathbf{v}_B = 6d\mathbf{i} \quad \mathbf{r}_{A/B} = 50\mathbf{i} + 100\mathbf{j} + d\mathbf{k}$$

Substitution into the velocity equation gives

$$50\omega_2\mathbf{j} = 6d\mathbf{i} +$$

$$50\omega_2\mathbf{j} = 6d\mathbf{i} + \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \omega_{nx} & \omega_{ny} & \omega_{nz} \\ 50 & 100 & d \end{vmatrix}$$

Expanding the determinant and equating the  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ , and  $\mathbf{k}$  components yields the following three equations

$$d(6 + \omega_{ny}) - 100\omega_{nz} = 0$$

$$50(\omega_2 - \omega_{nz}) + d\omega_{nx} = 0$$

$$2\omega_{nx} - \omega_{ny} = 0$$

At this point we have three equations with four unknowns. As explained in the sample problem in your text, the fourth equation comes by requiring  $\omega_n$  to be normal to  $\mathbf{v}_{A/B}$

$$\omega_n \cdot \mathbf{r}_{A/B} = 50\omega_{nx} + 100\omega_{ny} + d\omega_{nz} = 0$$

These four equations will be solved simultaneously for  $\omega_2$ ,  $\omega_{nx}$ ,  $\omega_{ny}$ , and  $\omega_{nz}$ . Once this is done,

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\omega_{nx}^2 + \omega_{ny}^2 + \omega_{nz}^2}$$

----- Script 1 # -----

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1 % solves four equations for
2 % omega_2 (w) and the three components of
3 % omega_n (x, y, and z). The magnitude of
4 % omega_n is then found from its components.
5 syms w x y z d
6 eqn1 = d*(6+y)-100*z;
7 eqn2 = 50*(w-z)+d*x;
8 eqn3 = 2*x-y;
9 eqn4 = 50*x+100*y+d*z;
10 [w,x,y,z]=solve(eqn1,eqn2,eqn3,eqn4)
11 omega_n = sqrt(x^2+y^2+z^2);
12 omega_n = simplify(omega_n)

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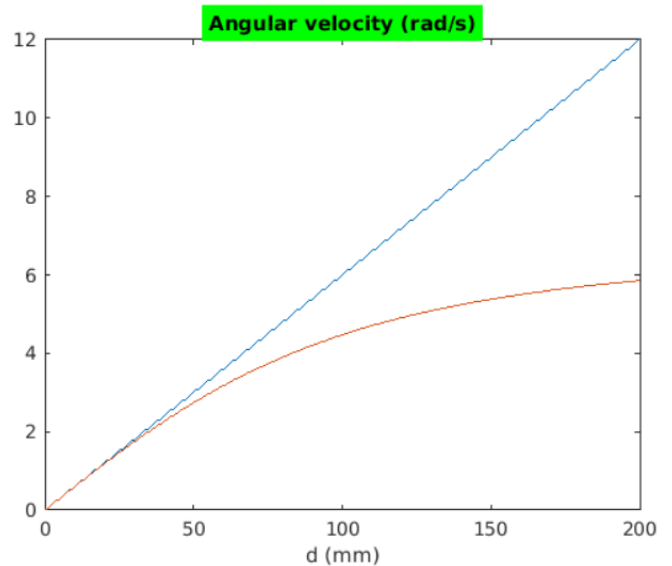
$$\begin{aligned}
 w &= \frac{3d}{50} \\
 x &= -\frac{3d^2}{d^2 + 12500} \\
 y &= -\frac{6d^2}{d^2 + 12500} \\
 z &= \frac{750d}{d^2 + 12500} \\
 \omega_n &= 3\sqrt{5} \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{d^2 + 12500}}
 \end{aligned}$$

----- Script 2 # -----

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1 % plots omega_2 and the magnitude of
2 % omega_n as functions of d
3 d = 0:0.5:200;
4 omega_2 = 3/50*d;
5 omega_n = 3*5^(1/2)*(d.^2./(d.^2+12500)).^(1/2);
6 plot(d, omega_2, d, omega_n)
7 xlabel('D (mm)')
8 title('Angular velocity (rad/s)', 'BackgroundColor', 'G')

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