Advanced Dynamics - Assignment Report

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1 Wheel rolling without slipping on a 2D track

A thin wheel of radius R rolls without slipping on a track on the x_1-x_2 plane, defined by $x_2=f(x_1)$. The wheel plane stays vertical and tangent to such track at the contact point P. Denote with α the angle the disk plane forms with the x_2 axis, and with φ the rotation of the disk about its axis \mathbf{e}_{φ} . The position of the center of the disk C is indicated by x_1^C , x_2^C and x_3^C . Assume a set of generalized coordinate $\mathbf{q}=[x_1^C\ x_2^C\ x_3^C\ \alpha\ \varphi]$.

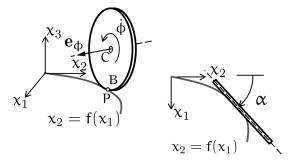


Figure 1.1: Wheel rolling without slipping on a track.

- 1. State all the constraints acting on the disk.
- 2. Determine whether the constraints are holonomic or non-holonomic.

Figure 1: Task 1.1

1.1

The list of constraints looks as follows:

- 1. The wheel always stays vertical (plane parallel to x_3)
 This is a holonomic constraint: $f=\theta=0$ where θ denotes the angle between the disk and x_3
- 2. x_2 follows a fixed trajectory, given x_1 (and vice versa): $f_2: x_2 = f(x_1) \Rightarrow x_2 f(x_1) = 0 \Rightarrow$ holonomic.
- 3. α is the angle between the trajectory and the x_2 axis: $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\partial f(x_1)}{\partial x_1}$ or written differently: $f(\alpha, x_1) = \alpha \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\partial f(x_1)}{\partial x_1} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{holonomic}$
- 4. Rolling without slipping: $v_B = 0 \Rightarrow v_C + \omega \times R_{CB} = 0$ with $\omega = \dot{\alpha} e_3 + \dot{\phi} e_{\phi}$ Seems to be non-holonomic at first glance
- 5. The disk does not leave the ground: $x_3^C R = 0$ aka the x_3 component of the center of mass is R. This is holonomic as well

So far we have a 3D system (6 DoF) and 4 holonomic constraints and 1 non-holonomic constraint.

4. Check for integrability: TO DO

$$v_B = 0 \Rightarrow v_C + \omega \times R_{CB} = 0 \tag{1}$$

Plugging in $\dot{x}_1^C, \dot{x}_2^C, \omega = \dot{\alpha} e_3 + \dot{\phi} e_{\phi}$ and $R_{CB} = [0, 0, -R]^T$:

$$\dot{x}_1^C \mathbf{e_1} + \dot{x}_2^C \mathbf{e_2} - R\dot{\phi}\cos\alpha\mathbf{e_2} - R\dot{\phi}\sin\alpha\mathbf{e_1} = 0$$
 (2)

Considering the part in e_1 direction:

$$\dot{x}_1^C - R\dot{\phi}\sin\alpha = 0 \tag{3}$$

Now if we reformulate this in the linear velocity form:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i(\boldsymbol{q}, t) \dot{q}_i + b(\boldsymbol{q}, t) \text{ with } \mathbf{q} = [x_1^C, x_2^C, x_3^C, \alpha, \phi]$$

$$(4)$$

We get

$$a_{1} = 1, \quad a_{5} = -R\sin(\alpha), b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial(Cb)}{\partial q_{1}} = \frac{\partial(Ca_{1})}{\partial t} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow C \neq C(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial(Ca_{1})}{\partial q_{5}} = \frac{\partial(Ca_{5})}{\partial q_{1}} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial(C)}{\partial \phi} = \frac{\partial(-CR\sin(\alpha))}{\partial x_{1}^{C}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial(C)}{\partial \phi} = -R\sin(\alpha)\frac{\partial(C)}{\partial x_{1}^{C}}$$
(5)

Perhaps we can show directly that the constraint can be written in the solution form:

$$\dot{x}_1^C \mathbf{e_1} - R\dot{\phi}\sin\alpha\mathbf{e_1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{q}, t)}{x_1^C} \dot{x}_1^C + \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{q}, t)}{\phi} \dot{\phi}$$
 (6)

1.2

See section 1.1

1.3

3. Determine the degrees of freedom of the system.

Figure 2: Task 1.1.3

As we have a 3D body with 6 generalized coordinates (here 5 are given, already considering constraint 1) and 5 holonomic constraints. We get a total of 6-5=1 degree of freedom. That could for instance be the rotation of the wheel around e_{ϕ} while all the other generalized coordinates follow accordingly.

3.1

Lagrange equations:

$$\frac{L^{2}M\ddot{\phi}}{3} + \frac{L^{2}m\ddot{\phi}}{3} - \frac{L^{2}m\ddot{\phi}\cos\left(\beta\right)^{2}}{3} + \frac{LMg\cos\left(\beta\right)\sin\left(\phi\right)}{2} + \frac{L^{2}M\Omega^{2}\sin\left(\beta\right)\sin\left(\phi\right)}{2} + \frac{L^{2}M\Omega^{2}\cos\left(\beta\right)\sin\left(\beta\right)\sin\left(\phi\right)}{4} - \frac{L^{2}M\Omega^{2}\cos\left(\beta\right)^{2}\cos\left(\phi\right)\sin\left(\phi\right)}{6} = 0$$

$$(7)$$

3.2

This can be reformulated for the differential equation of $\ddot{\phi}$:

$$\ddot{\phi} \left(\frac{L^2(M+m)}{3} - \frac{L^2m\cos(\beta)^2}{3} \right) + \sin(\phi) \left(\frac{LMg\cos(\beta)}{2} + \frac{L^2M\Omega^2\sin(\beta)}{2} + \frac{L^2M\Omega^2\cos(\beta)\sin(\beta)}{4} \right) - \frac{L^2M\Omega^2\cos(\beta)^2\cos(\phi)\sin(\phi)}{6} = 0$$

$$(8)$$

3.3

Equation of motion for the case that the rotation around the vertical bar is not constant:

$$\frac{L^{2\ddot{\theta}}\left(16M + 16m + 12M\cos\left(\beta\right) + 12m\cos\left(\beta\right) + 2M\cos\left(\beta\right)^{2} + 4m\cos\left(\beta\right)^{2} - 2M\cos\left(\beta\right)^{2}\cos\left(\phi\right)^{2}\right)}{12} + \frac{L^{2\ddot{\theta}}\left(12M\cos\left(\phi\right)\sin\left(\beta\right) + 6M\cos\left(\beta\right)\cos\left(\phi\right)\sin\left(\beta\right)\right)}{12}$$

$$(9)$$

3.4

After matlab integration of the work per area we get for the work

$$W = \frac{L^4 \left(c \left(\dot{\theta} + \dot{\phi} \sin{(\beta)} \right)^2 \left(\cos{(\phi)}^2 - 1 \right) - c \left(\dot{\phi} \cos{(\phi)} + \dot{\theta} \cos{(\phi)} \sin{(\beta)} \right)^2 + c \dot{\phi}^2 \cos{(\beta)}^2 \left(\cos{(\phi)}^2 - 1 \right) \right)}{3} - L \left(Lc \left(L\dot{\theta} + L\dot{\theta} \cos{(\beta)} \right)^2 + \frac{L^3 c \dot{\theta}^2 \cos{(\beta)}^2}{12} \right) - L^3 c \left(L\dot{\theta} + L\dot{\theta} \cos{(\beta)} \right) \left(\dot{\phi} \cos{(\phi)} + \dot{\theta} \cos{(\phi)} \sin{(\beta)} \right)$$

$$(10)$$

3.5

Reminder- The potential energy looks as follows:

$$\frac{LMg\left(2\sin\left(\beta\right) - \cos\left(\beta\right)\cos\left(\phi\right)\right)}{2}\tag{11}$$

Case 1: Ω fixed:

The derivative of the potential energy w.r.t. θ is always 0.

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta} = 0 \tag{12}$$

The derivative of the potential energy w.r.t. ϕ not however:

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} = \frac{LMg\cos(\beta)\sin(\phi)}{2} \tag{13}$$

Equation 12 is only 0 for $\phi = k*\pi$ which makes sense as in this configuration the square has a momentary velocity in horizontal direction which doesn't change the altitude of any body.

Case 2: $\dot{\theta}$ can change:

As V is independent of θ altogether the result is the same for this case.

The equation of motions are:

$$\frac{L^{2}M\ddot{\phi}}{3} + \frac{L^{2}m\ddot{\phi}}{3} - \frac{L^{2}m\ddot{\phi}\cos\left(\beta\right)^{2}}{3} + \frac{LMg\cos\left(\beta\right)\sin\left(\phi\right)}{2} + \frac{L^{2}M\dot{\theta}^{2}\sin\left(\beta\right)\sin\left(\phi\right)}{2} - \frac{L^{2}M\dot{\theta}^{2}\cos\left(\beta\right)^{2}\cos\left(\phi\right)\sin\left(\phi\right)}{6} + \frac{L^{2}M\dot{\theta}^{2}\cos\left(\beta\right)\sin\left(\beta\right)\sin\left(\phi\right)}{4} \qquad \qquad \text{for } \phi$$

$$(14)$$

$$\frac{L^2\ddot{\theta}}{12} \left(16M + 16m + 12M\cos(\beta) + 12m\cos(\beta) + 2M\cos(\beta)^2 + 4m\cos(\beta)^2 - 2M\cos(\beta)^2\cos(\phi)^2 + 12M\cos(\phi)\sin(\beta) + 6M\cos(\beta)\cos(\phi)\sin(\beta) \right) \qquad \text{for } \theta$$
(15)

Plugging in $\phi = \dot{\phi} = \ddot{\phi} = 0$:

$$\phi: \\
0 = 0$$
(16)

(17)

$$\frac{b^2}{12}$$
 $\left(16M + 16m + 12M\cos(\beta) + 12M\sin(\beta) + 12m\cos(\beta) + 12M\sin(\beta)\right)$

 $4m\cos(\beta)^{2} + 6M\cos(\beta)\sin(\beta) = 0 \Rightarrow \ddot{\theta} = 0$

As the coefficient of $\ddot{\theta}$ is constant, the angular acceleration of the vertical shaft has to be 0. This results in a constant angular velocity which recovers the case of a constant Ω .

3.6