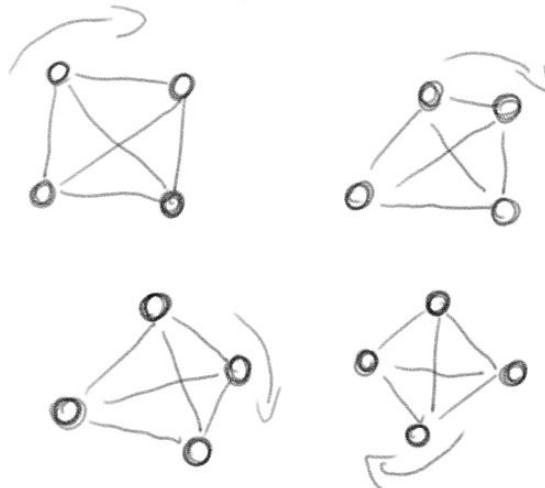


# **Game Physics Tutorial 3**

## Rigid Bodies in 2D

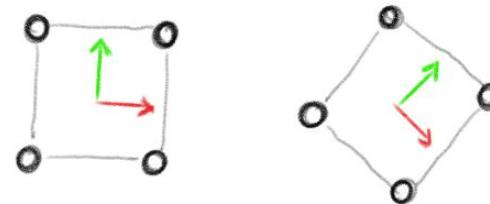
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## Mass-Spring-System



- Simulate each Mass Point individually
- If no deformation wanted: High stiffness for springs
  - High forces
  - Integration only stable for extremely small timesteps

## Rigidbody



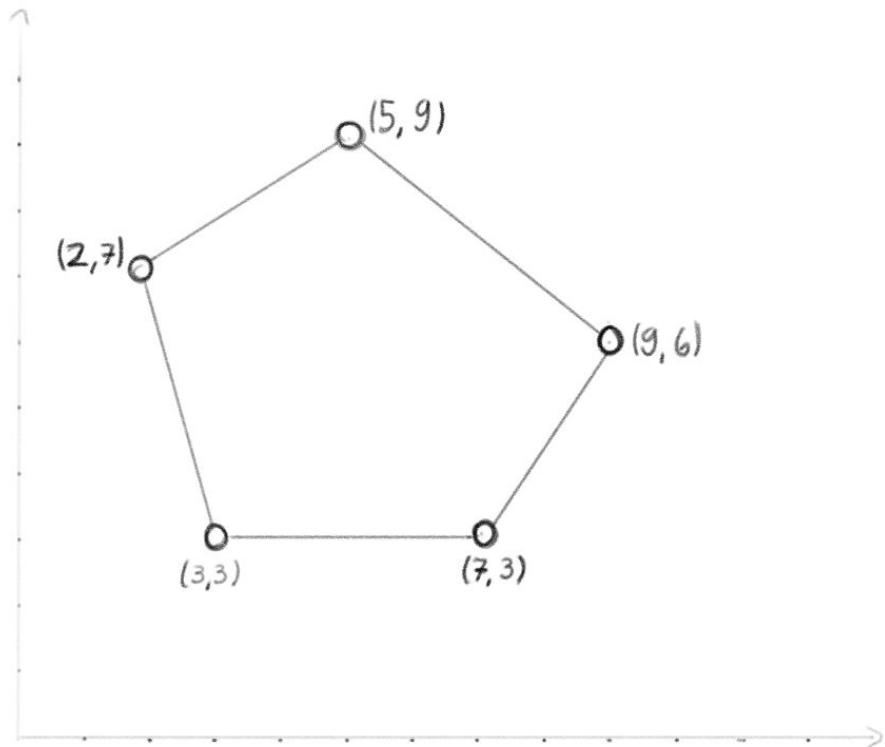
- Rigid = Points don't move relative to each other
  - Only simulate center of mass (Rotation, Translation)
  - points defined relative to center of mass (= local space)

# Center of Mass

- Weighted average of Points
  1. Sum up points  $\times$  their Mass
  2. Divide by Sum of Masses

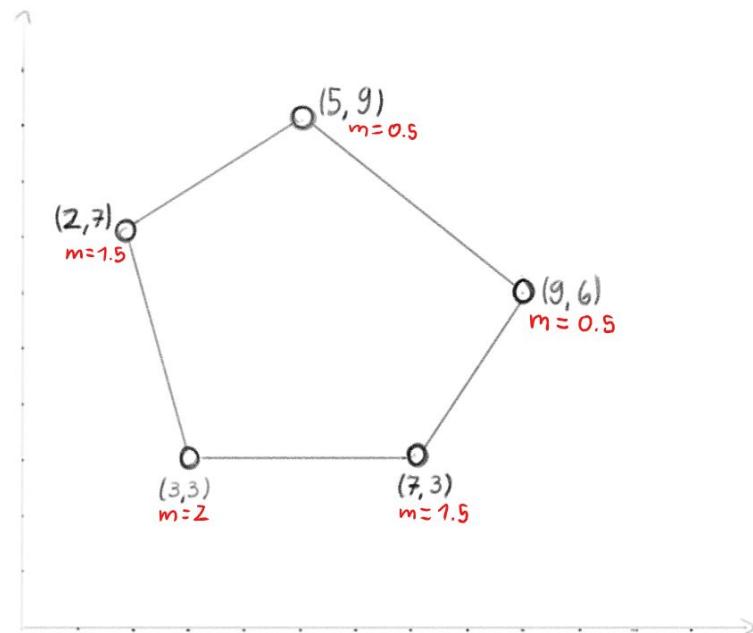
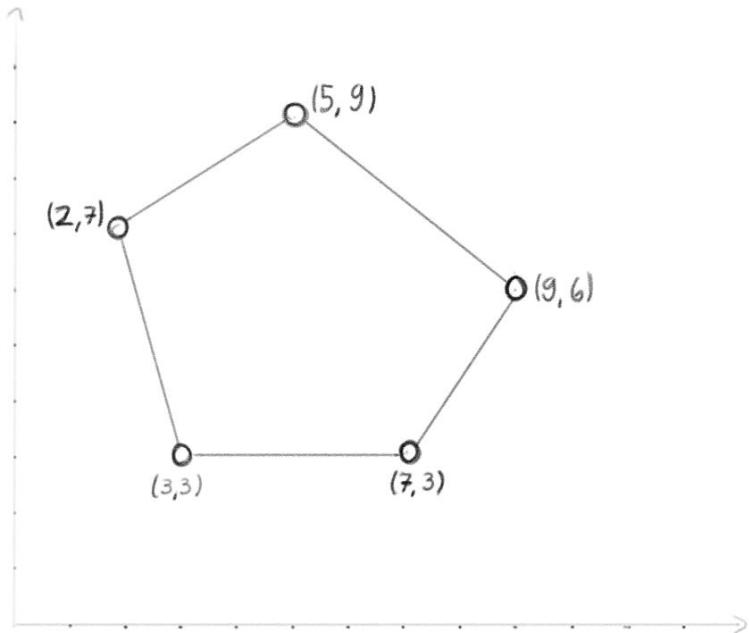
$$\mathbf{x}_{cm} = \frac{\sum_i m_i \mathbf{x}_i}{\sum_i m_i}$$

- If no mass specified,  
assume it to be 1

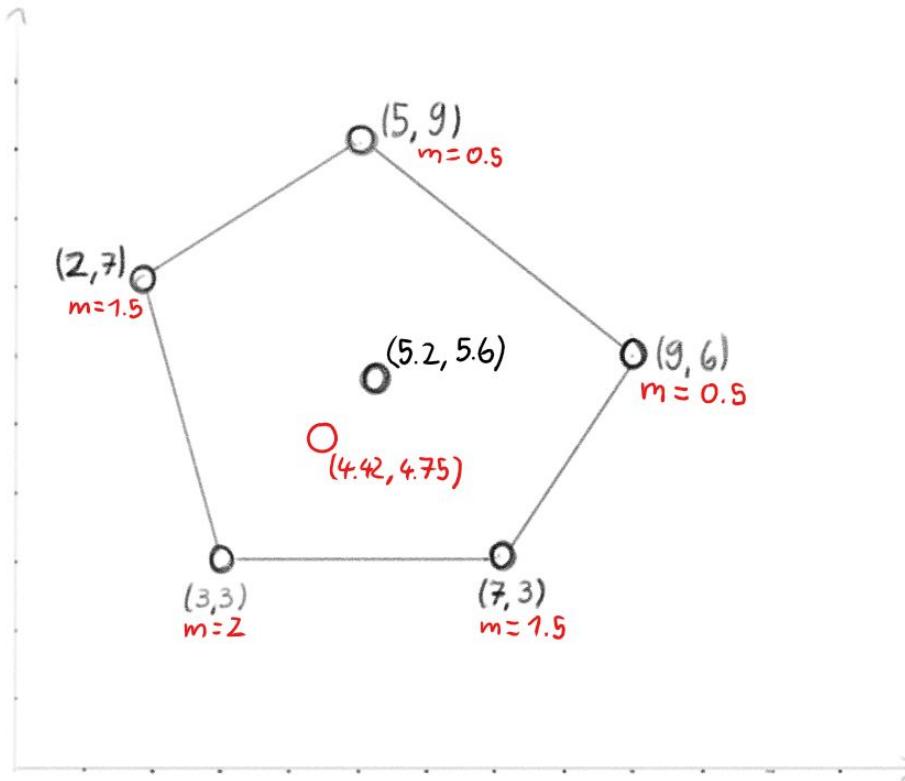


# Exercise: Center of Mass

Calculate the Centers of Mass for the given setups!



# Exercise: Center of Mass (Solution)

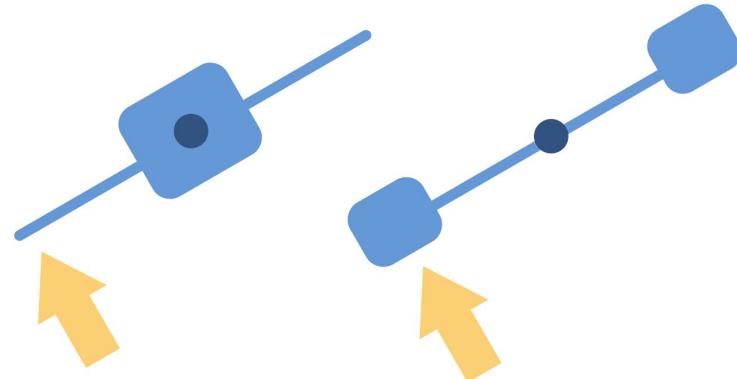


# 2D: Simulating a Rigidbody

- Translation the same as for Mass Points:  
**position**, **linear velocity**, **linear forces**, **mass** + Integration (e.g. Euler Step)
- Rotation (in 2D there is *only 1 rotation axis* → much easier):
  - **Orientation  $r$** 
    - current angle
  - **Angular velocity  $w$**  (& **angular momentum  $L$** )
    - How quickly are we currently rotating around the z-axis?
  - **Torque  $q$** 
    - rotational equivalent to forces ( $q$  changes  $L$  and  $w$ )
  - **Inertia tensor  $i$** 
    - How easily does the Rigidbody rotate around the z-axis?

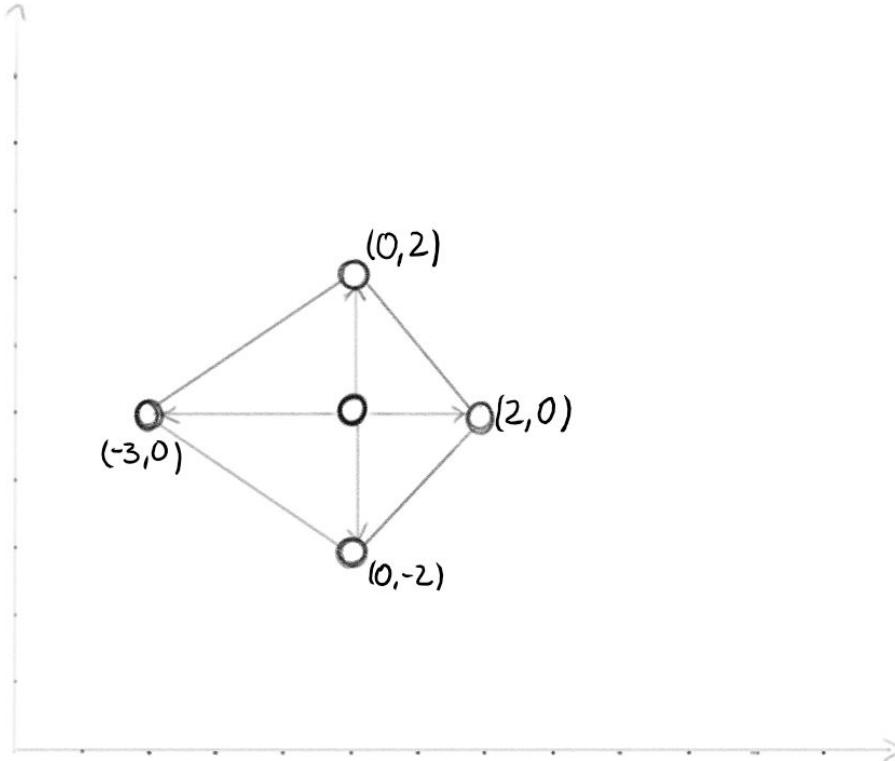
## 2D: Inertia Tensor $i$

- Different objects rotate more / less easily around different axes
- **Inertia Tensor  $i$**  models this behaviour
- In 2D, only rotation about Z-Axis possible
  - $i$  is simply a scalar
  - “How easily does the Rigidbody rotate around the z-axis?”
- Can be precomputed:
  - Sum over all mass points:
  - Take the dot product of its local space position vector
  - Multiply the dot product by the mass of the point



$$i = \sum_n m_n \mathbf{x}_n \cdot \mathbf{x}_n$$

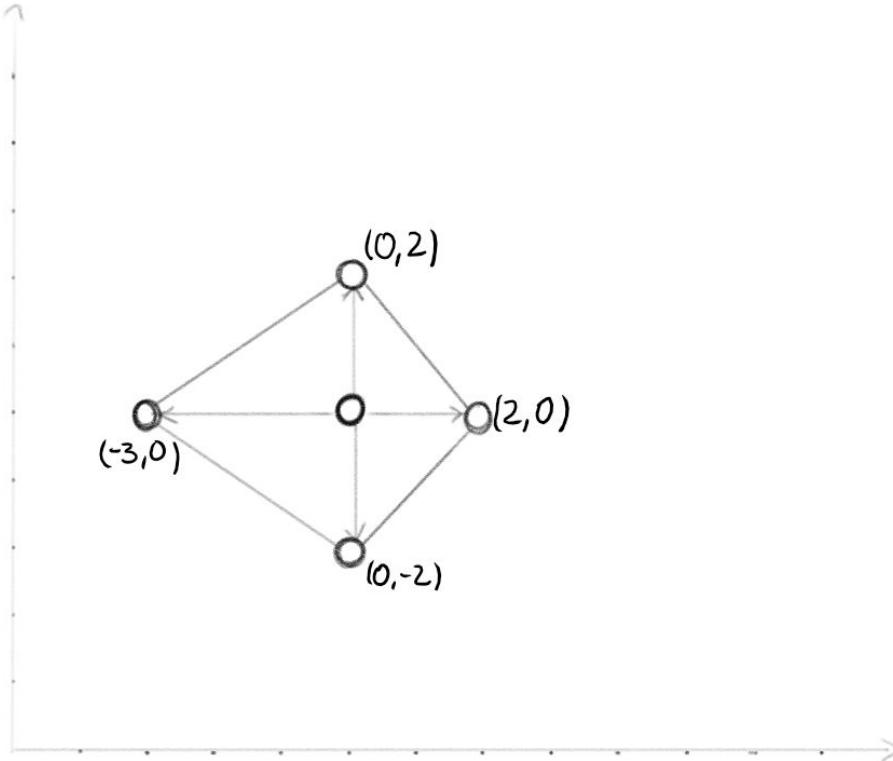
# Exercise: 2D Inertia Tensor



$$i = \sum_n m_n \mathbf{x}_n \cdot \mathbf{x}_n$$

(assume mass = 1)

# Exercise: 2D Inertia Tensor



$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} +$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} +$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} +$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$4 +$$

$$4 +$$

$$9 +$$

$$4 = 21 = \underline{\underline{i}}$$

# 2D: Angular Momentum

- angular momentum  $\mathbf{L}$  vs. angular velocity  $\mathbf{w}$ :
  - Velocity = “How fast”
  - Momentum = “How fast & How ‘heavy’?”
  - If something that is difficult to rotate rotates quickly, it has a lot of momentum
- $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{w}$
- Momentum: “How much force would you need to stop the rotation?”
- In 2D,  $\mathbf{i}$  is constant
  - We can ignore  $\mathbf{L}$  for 2D and use the torque  $\mathbf{q}$  to change  $\mathbf{w}$  directly:

$$\mathbf{w}(t + h) = \mathbf{w}(t) + h\mathbf{q}/i$$

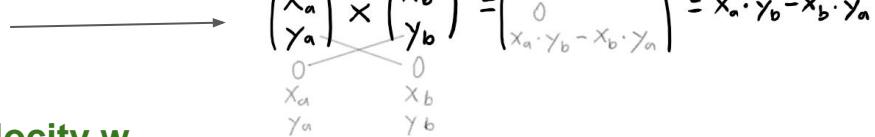
# 2D: Simulating Rigidbody Rotation

1. Calculate forces & convert them to **torque q**

$$\mathbf{q}(t) = \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i \times \mathbf{f}_i$$

Cross Product 2D:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_a \\ y_a \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} x_b \\ y_b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ x_a \cdot y_b - x_b \cdot y_a \end{pmatrix} = x_a \cdot y_b - x_b \cdot y_a$$



2. Integrate the **orientation r** using the **angular velocity w**

$$\mathbf{r}_{cm} = \mathbf{r}_{cm} + h\mathbf{w}_{cm}$$

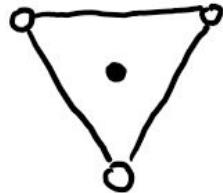
3. Integrate the **angular velocity w** using the calculated **torque q** and the **Inertia tensor i**

$$\mathbf{w}(t + h) = \mathbf{w}(t) + h\mathbf{q}/i$$

4. Update the World Space positions of the Points based on the new **orientation r**

$$\mathbf{x}_i^{world} = \mathbf{x}_{cm}(t) + \text{Rot}_{r(t)}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

# Exercise: 2D Rigidbody Rotation



$$r = 45 \text{ deg} \quad h = 0.25 \text{ s}$$
$$\omega = 4 \frac{\text{deg}}{\text{s}}$$
$$i = 5 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{deg}}$$

A force of  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -20 \end{pmatrix} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$  is applied at point  $(0.5, 1)$ .

Calculate the new angular velocity  $\omega(t+h)$  and the new rotation  $r(t+h)$ !

# Exercise: 2D Rigidbody Rotation

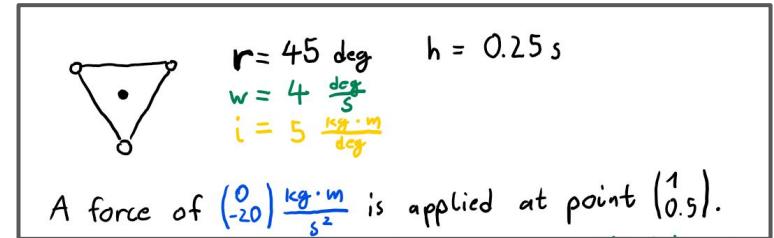
$$q(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -20 \end{pmatrix} \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2} = -20 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$r(t+h) = 45 \text{ deg} + 0.25s \cdot 4 \frac{\text{deg}}{\text{s}} = 46 \text{ deg}$$

$$w(t+h) = 4 \frac{\text{deg}}{\text{s}} + 0.25s \cdot -20 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2} / 5 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{deg}}$$

$$= 4 \frac{\text{deg}}{\text{s}} + \frac{1}{4}s \cdot -4 \frac{\text{deg}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$= 3 \frac{\text{deg}}{\text{s}}$$



# Impulse

- Sometimes, we want the **velocity** to change instantly (*no time step*)
- Example: On Collision
- Problem: **Forces** don't work here since they change the **velocity** in the *next* timestep (at the earliest)
- Solution: change **velocity** directly (we call this the Impulse  $J$ )

$$\mathbf{J} = m\Delta\mathbf{v} \quad (\text{no time step!})$$

# 2D: Impulse Equation Explained

$$J = \frac{-(1 + c)\mathbf{v}_{rel} \cdot \mathbf{n}}{\frac{1}{M_a} + \frac{1}{M_b} + \mathbf{(x}_a \times \mathbf{n})^2/I_a + \mathbf{(x}_b \times \mathbf{n})^2/I_b}$$

- **c**: “bounciness coefficient”, hard 0 .. 1 bouncy
- **n**: normal of the collision
- **v\_rel**: relative velocity of the collision =  
[vel at collisionPoint from object A] - [vel at collisionPoint from object B]  
(important: calculate the velocities at these points, don't just use the linear velocity of the rigid body!)
- **x\_a / x\_b**: Collision point relative to the center of mass of rigid body A / B

# 2D: Impulse Calculation

$$J = \frac{-(1 + c)\mathbf{v}_{rel} \cdot \mathbf{n}}{\frac{1}{M_a} + \frac{1}{M_b} + (\mathbf{x}_a \times \mathbf{n})^2/I_a + (\mathbf{x}_b \times \mathbf{n})^2/I_b}$$

1. Calculate velocities at collision point for each rigidbody  $\mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{v}_{cm} + \mathbf{w} \times \mathbf{x}_i$
2. Calculate relative velocity
3. Fill in formula
4. Apply impulse (in according directions)

$$\mathbf{v}'_a = \mathbf{v}_a + J\mathbf{n}/M_a$$

$$\mathbf{v}'_b = \mathbf{v}_b - J\mathbf{n}/M_b$$

$$\mathbf{w}'_a = \mathbf{w}_a + (\mathbf{x}_a \times J\mathbf{n})/I_a$$

$$\mathbf{w}'_b = \mathbf{w}_b - (\mathbf{x}_b \times J\mathbf{n})/I_b$$

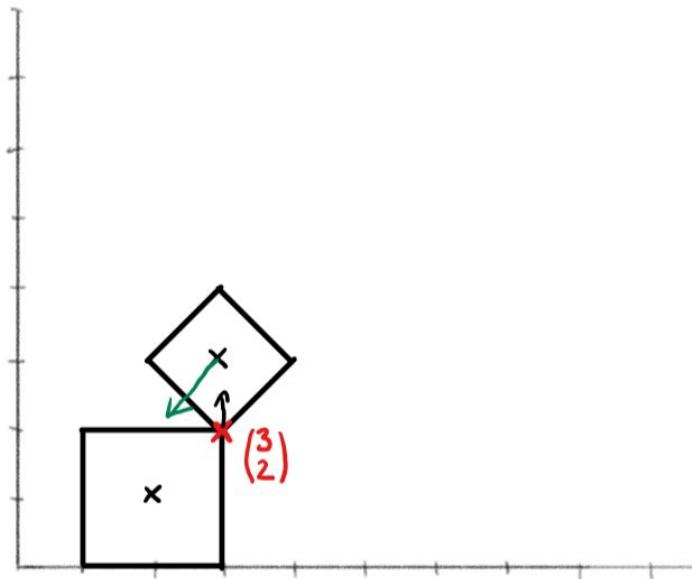
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$x_a \quad x_b$   
 $y_a \quad y_b$

# 2D: Impulse Exercise

Calculate the impulse for the following collision, then apply it to the rigidbodies:



$$X_{cm, A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad m_A = 4 \quad I_A = 6$$

$$X_{cm, B} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad m_B = 8 \quad I_B = 8$$

$$V_{cm, A} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad w_A = -4$$

$$V_{cm, B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad w_B = 0$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad c = 1$$

# 2D: Impulse Exercise (Solution)

1. Calculate velocities at collision point:

$$X_a = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad X_b = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V_a = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V_b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Calculate relative velocity:

$$V_{rel} = V_a - V_b = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. Calculate impulse strength:

$$J = \frac{-(1+1) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + ((\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}))^2 / 6 + ((\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}))^2 / 8}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \cdot -1}{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{0}{6} + \frac{1}{8}} = 4$$

$$X_{cm, A} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad m_A = 4 \quad I_A = 6$$

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$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad c = 1$$

4. Apply impulse:

$$V'_{cm, A} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 4 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} / 4 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V'_{cm, B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - 4 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} / 8 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$w'_A = -4 + ((\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \times 4 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix})) / 6 = -4$$

$$w'_B = 0 - ((\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times 4 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix})) / 8 = -\frac{1}{2}$$