

# Lecture 22

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# 1 Simple Harmonic Oscillators

**Example 1.** A system is arranged as follows, with the walls moving with

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= A \sin \omega t \\x_2 &= 2L + A \cos \omega t\end{aligned}$$

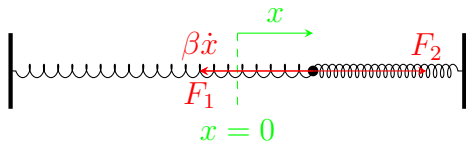
The entire system is submerged in a fluid, s.t. the damping force is

$$\vec{f} = -\beta \vec{v}$$

The mass is displaced by a small  $x$  to the right. Write the equation of motion.



*Solution.*

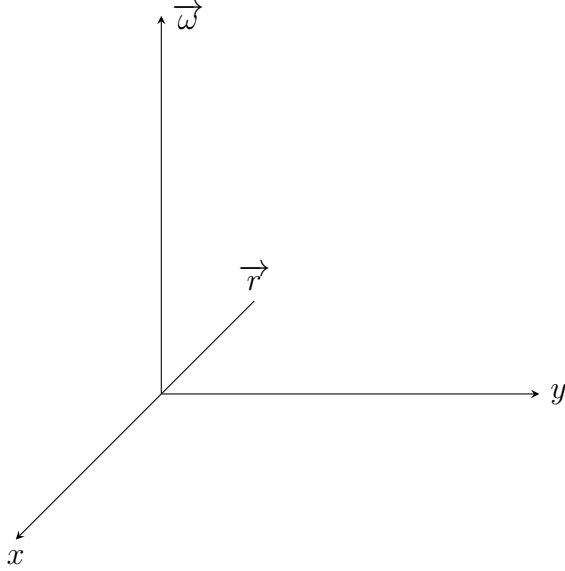


$$\begin{aligned}m\ddot{x} &= -F_1 + F_2 - \beta\dot{x} \\&= -k(L + x - A \sin \omega t - L) + k(L - x + A \cos \omega t - L) - \beta\dot{x}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore m\ddot{x} + \beta\dot{x} + 2kx = kA(\sin \omega t + \cos \omega t)$$

$$\therefore \ddot{x} + \frac{\beta}{m}\dot{x} + \frac{2k}{m}x = \frac{kA}{m}(\sin \omega t + \cos \omega t)$$

## 2 Coriolis Force



$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{r} &= (r \sin \theta \cos \omega t, r \sin \theta \sin \omega t, r \cos \theta) \\
 \vec{v} &= \frac{d \vec{r}}{dt} \\
 &= (-\omega r \sin \theta \sin \omega t, \omega r \sin \theta \cos \omega t, 0) \\
 \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ 0 & 0 & \omega \\ r \sin \theta \cos \omega t & r \sin \theta \sin \omega t & r \cos \theta \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= -\omega r \sin \theta \sin \omega t \hat{x} + \omega r \sin \theta \cos \omega t \hat{y} \\
 \therefore \vec{v} &= \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}
 \end{aligned}$$

In general, for any vector  $\vec{A}$ ,

$$\frac{d \vec{A}}{dt} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}$$

The system  $S : xyz$  is inertial, and the system  $S' : x'y'z'$  is rotating around  $\vec{\omega}$  relative to  $S$ .

Therefore, the position vector  $\vec{r}$  can be written as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{r} &= x\hat{x} + y\hat{y} + z\hat{z} \\
 \vec{r} &= x'\hat{x}' + y'\hat{y}' + z'\hat{z}'
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{v} &= \dot{x}\hat{x} + \dot{y}\hat{y} + \dot{z}\hat{z} \\
\vec{v}' &= \dot{x}'\hat{x}' + \dot{y}'\hat{y}' + \dot{z}'\hat{z}' \\
\vec{a} &= \ddot{x}\hat{x} + \ddot{y}\hat{y} + \ddot{z}\hat{z} \\
\vec{a}' &= \ddot{x}'\hat{x}' + \ddot{y}'\hat{y}' + \ddot{z}'\hat{z}'
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, in  $S$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{v} &= \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \\
&= \frac{d\vec{r}'}{dt} \\
&= \dot{x}'\hat{x}' + \dot{y}'\hat{y}' + \dot{z}'\hat{z}' \\
&\quad + x' \frac{d\hat{x}'}{dt} + y' \frac{d\hat{y}'}{dt} + z' \frac{d\hat{z}'}{dt} \\
&= \vec{v}' + x' (\vec{\omega} \times \hat{x}') + y' (\vec{\omega} \times \hat{y}') + z' (\vec{\omega} \times \hat{z}') \\
&= \vec{v}' + \vec{\omega} \times (x'\hat{x}' + y'\hat{y}' + z'\hat{z}') \\
&= \vec{v}' + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}'
\end{aligned}$$

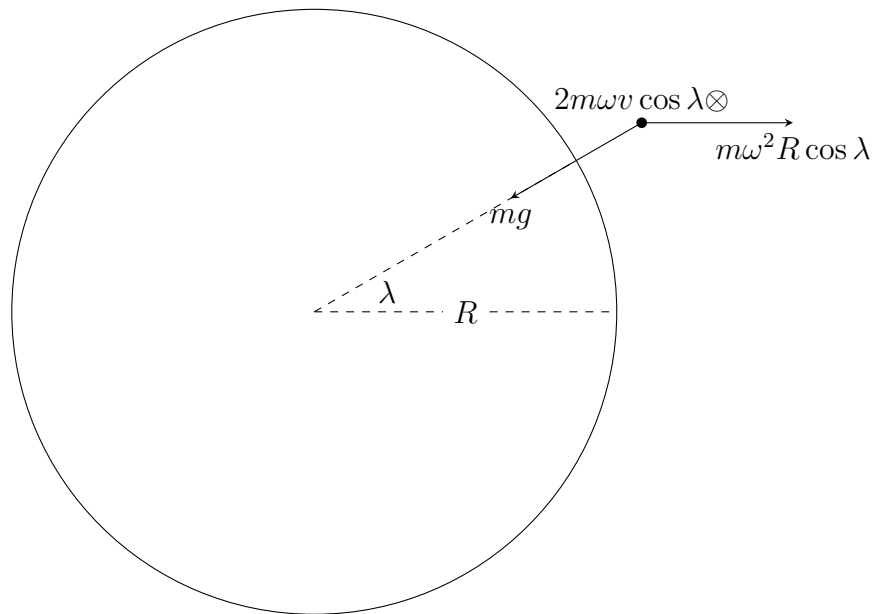
Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{a} &= \frac{d}{dt} \left( \vec{v}' + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}' \right) \\
&= \frac{d\vec{v}'}{dt} + \vec{\omega} \times \frac{d\vec{r}'}{dt} \\
&= \frac{d}{dt} (\dot{x}'\hat{x}' + \dot{y}'\hat{y}' + \dot{z}'\hat{z}') + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{v}' + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}') \\
&= \ddot{x}'\hat{x}' + \dot{x}' \frac{d\hat{x}'}{dt} + \ddot{y}'\hat{y}' + \dot{y}' \frac{d\hat{y}'}{dt} + \ddot{z}'\hat{z}' + \dot{z}' \frac{d\hat{z}'}{dt} \\
&\quad + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}' + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}') \\
&= \vec{a}' + 2\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}' + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}')
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

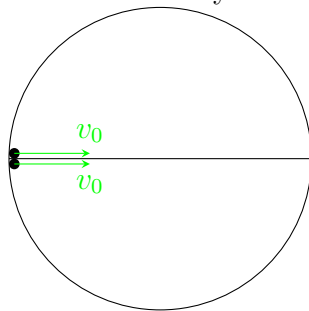
$$m\vec{a}' = \underbrace{m\vec{a}'}_{\Sigma \vec{F}} - \underbrace{2m\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}'}_{\text{coriolis force}} - \underbrace{m\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}')}_{\text{centrifugal force}}$$

**Example 2.** Find the forces acting on a body at a small distance above the surface of the earth, at angle  $\lambda$  from the equator, moving with  $\omega$ .

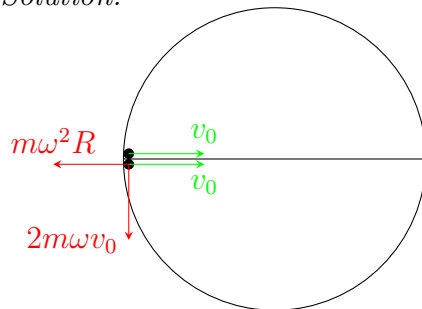


*Solution.*

**Example 3.** A disk with a diametrical partition is rotating anti-clockwise with  $\omega$ , as shown. Two small masses start moving with  $v_0$  as shown. Which ball moves away from the partition?



*Solution.*



Therefore, the ball which is below the partition moves away from the partition.