

# Centre of Mass

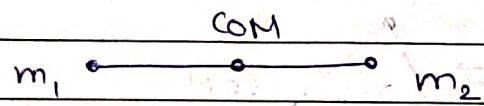
To convert multi particle system into single particle system.

$$(m_1, v_1) \quad (m_2, v_2) \quad = \quad (m, v_{COM})$$

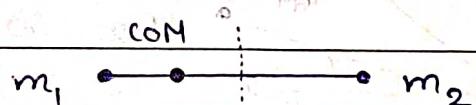
$$(m_3, v_3)$$

$$m = m_1 + m_2 + m_3$$

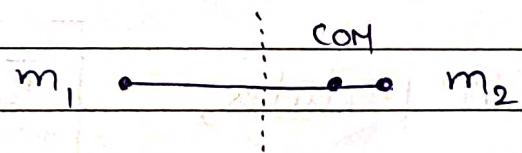
If  $m_1 = m_2$ ,



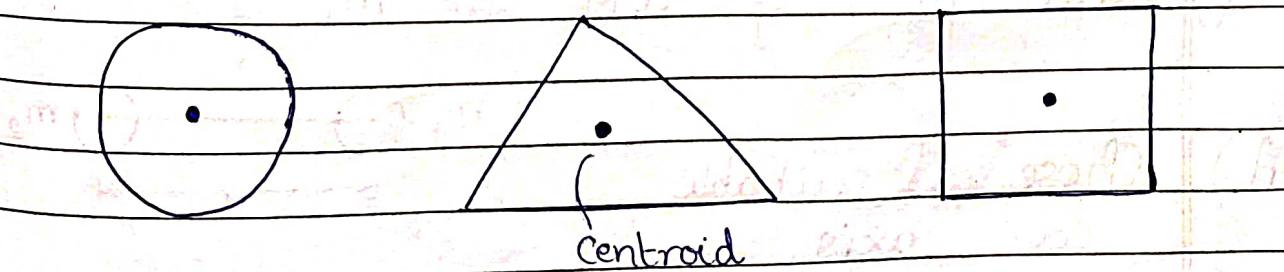
If  $m_1 > m_2$ ,



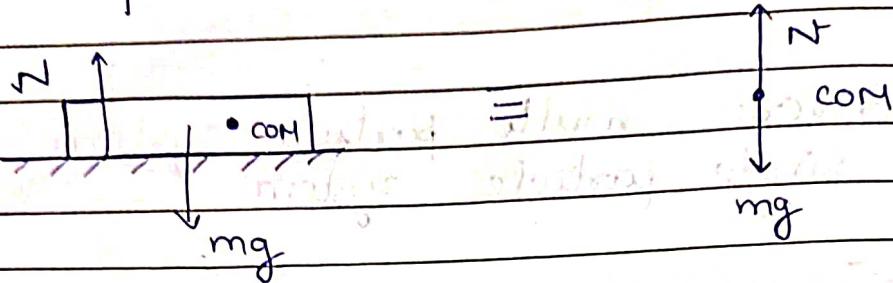
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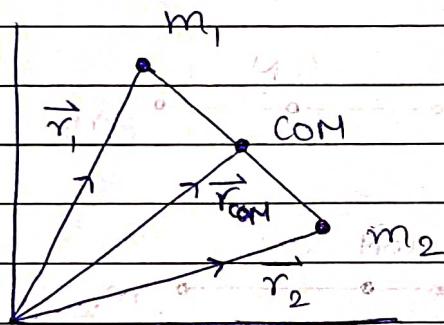
If body symmetric  $\Rightarrow$  COM at centre.



for using Laws of Motion, transfer all forces to COM.



### COM of 2 particle system



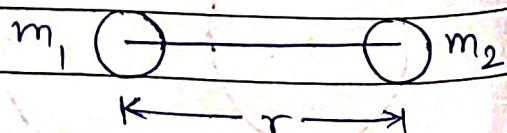
$$\vec{r}_{\text{COM}} = \frac{m_1 \vec{r}_1 + m_2 \vec{r}_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

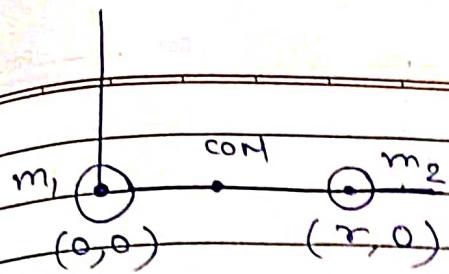
for 'n' particles,

$$\vec{r}_{\text{COM}} = \left( \frac{\sum m_i \vec{r}_i}{\sum m_i} \right)$$

① Find post. of COM wrt  $m_1$ .

A) Choose a suitable coor. axis.



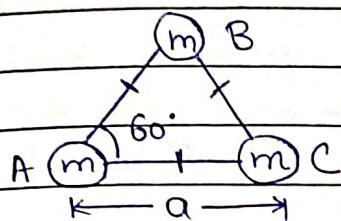


$$x_{COM} = \frac{m_1(0) + m_2(r)}{m_1 + m_2}$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

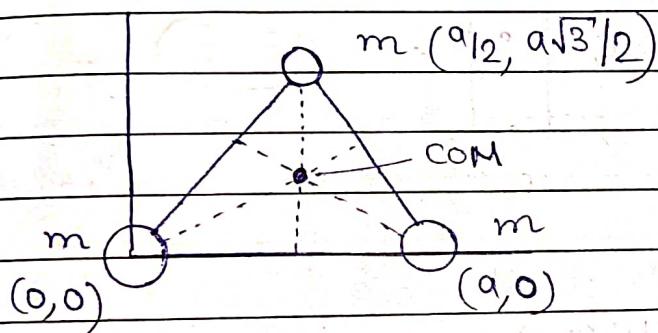
$$x_{COM} = \frac{m_2 r}{m_1 + m_2}$$

(Q)



Find post. of COM wrt. A.

A)

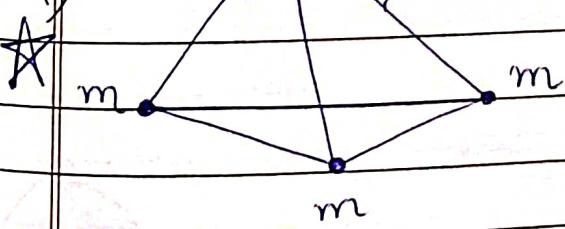


$$x_{COM} = m(0 + a/2 + a) / 3m$$

$$y_{COM} = m(0 + 0 + a\sqrt{3}/2) / 3m$$

$$\Rightarrow COM = (a/2, a\sqrt{3}/2)$$

(Q)



Given regular tetrahedron, find COM.

A)

Top

(0,0,0)

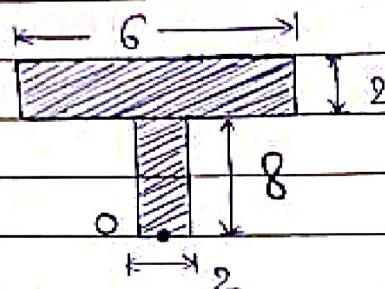
 $(-\frac{a}{2\sqrt{3}}, \frac{a}{2}, 0)$  $(-\frac{a}{2}, -\frac{a}{2}, 0)$  $(\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}, 0, 0)$ 

Side

 $(-\frac{a}{2\sqrt{3}}, -\frac{a}{2}, 0)$  $(0, 0, a\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}})$  $(\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}, 0, 0)$

$$\text{CoM} = (0, 0, \frac{a\sqrt{2}}{4\sqrt{3}})$$

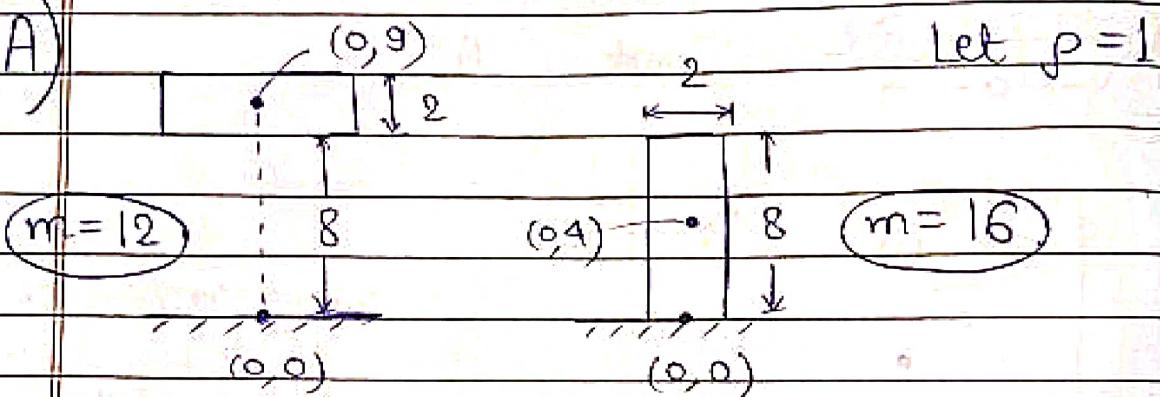
(Q)



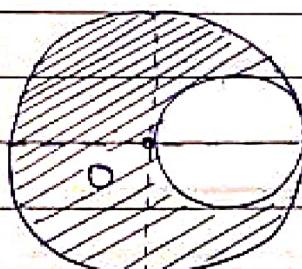
Uniformly distributed mass.

Find pos. of CoM wrt. O.

A)

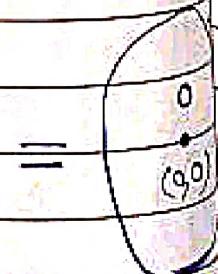
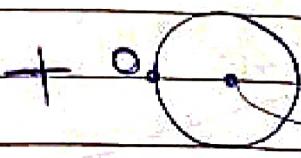
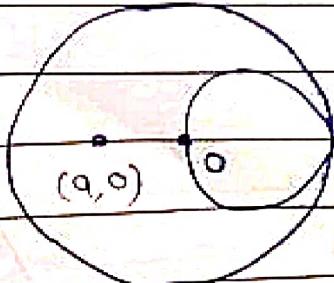


$$\text{CoM} = \frac{12(0, 9) + 16(0, 4)}{12 + 16} \Rightarrow \text{CoM} = (0, \frac{43}{7})$$

(Q)  
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Find CoM wrt O

A)



$$m = \left(\frac{3\pi R^2}{4}\right)\rho$$

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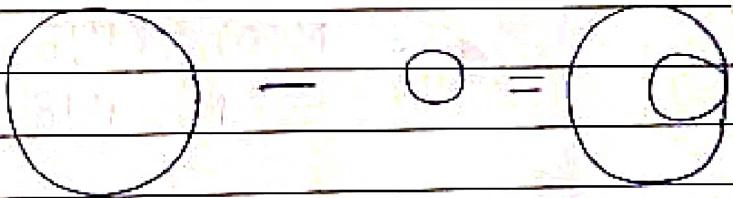
$$\langle 0,0 \rangle = \left( \frac{3\pi R^2}{4} \right) \rho \langle 0,0 \rangle + \left( \frac{\pi R^2}{4} \right) \rho \langle \frac{R}{2}, 0 \rangle$$

$$( \pi R^2 ) \rho$$

$$\Rightarrow a = (-R/6) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{COM} \equiv \left( -\frac{R}{6}, 0 \right)$$

## Concept of (-ve) Mass

Eg: In last Q,

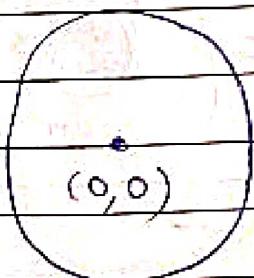


$$m = M$$

$$m = \frac{M}{4}$$

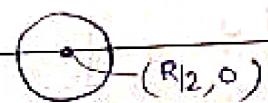
$$m = \frac{3M}{4}$$

Since small disc removed,  
we take mass of small disc (-ve)



$$m = M$$

(-ve)



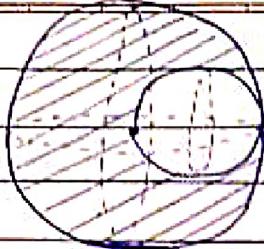
$$m = \left( -\frac{M}{4} \right)$$

$$x_{\text{COM}} = M \langle 0,0 \rangle - \frac{M}{4} \langle \frac{R}{2}, 0 \rangle$$

$$M - M/4$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{\text{COM}} = -\frac{R}{6}$$

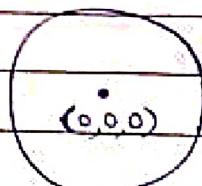
(Q)



Solid spheres given.

Find COM

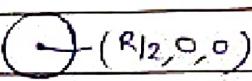
A)



$$m = M$$

(-ve)

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$$m = (-M/8)$$

$$x_{COM} = \frac{M(0) - (M/8)(R/2)}{M - M/8} \Rightarrow x_{COM} = \frac{-R}{14}$$

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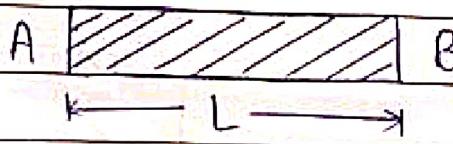
COM of Non Uniform Distr. of Mass.

(y coor of COM of element)

$$x_{COM} = \left( \frac{\int x_{\text{element}} dm}{\int dm} \right)$$

$$y_{COM} = \left( \frac{\int y_{\text{element}} dm}{\int dm} \right)$$

(Q)



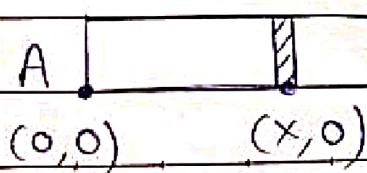
$$\lambda = 2x \quad \text{where}$$

x measured from A

Find COM.

$$\leftarrow x \rightarrow$$

A)



$$\lambda = 2x \Rightarrow dm = 2x dx$$

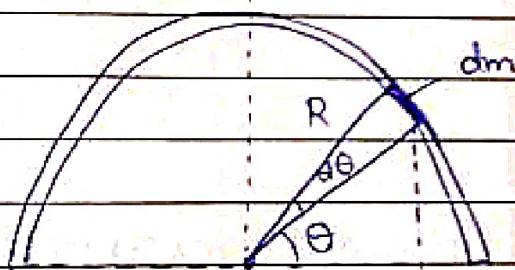
$$x_{COM} = \frac{\int x dm}{\int dm} = \frac{\int 2x^2 dx}{\int 2x dx} = \left( \frac{x^3/3}{x^2/2} \right) \Big|_0^L$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{COM} = \left( \frac{2L}{3} \right)$$

## COM of Diff. Shapes

### 1) Semi O Ring :

By Symmetry  $x_{COM} = 0$ .



$$\rho = M = \frac{dm}{\pi R} = R d\theta \Rightarrow dm = \left( \frac{M}{\pi} \right) d\theta$$

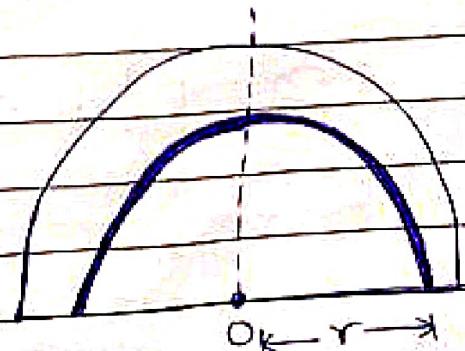
$$dm = \left( \frac{M}{\pi} \right) d\theta$$

$$\text{Now, } y_{COM} = \left( \frac{1}{M} \right) \left( \int R \sin \theta dm \right) = \left( \frac{1}{M} \right) \left( \int_0^\pi MR \sin \theta d\theta \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{COM} = \left( \frac{2R}{\pi} \right)$$

### 2) Semi O Disc :

By symmetry  $x_{COM} = 0$ .



$$\rho = \left( \frac{2M}{\pi R^2} \right) = \left( \frac{dm}{\pi r dr} \right) \Rightarrow dm = \left( \frac{2M}{R^2} \right) r dr$$

Now,  $y_{com} = \left( \frac{1}{M} \right) \left( \int \left( \frac{dr}{\pi} \right) dm \right)$

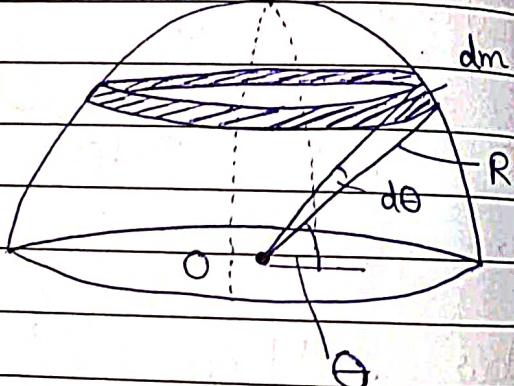
$$= \left( \frac{1}{M} \right) \left( \int_0^R \frac{2r \cdot 2M}{\pi R^2} r dr \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{4}{\pi R^2} \right) \int_0^R r^2 dr \Rightarrow y_{com} = \left( \frac{4R}{3\pi} \right)$$

3) Hollow Hemisphere :

By symmetry  $x_{com} = 0$ .

$$\rho = \left( \frac{M}{2\pi R^2} \right) = \left( \frac{dm}{2\pi R s_\theta \cdot R d\theta} \right)$$



$$\Rightarrow dm = M s_\theta d\theta$$

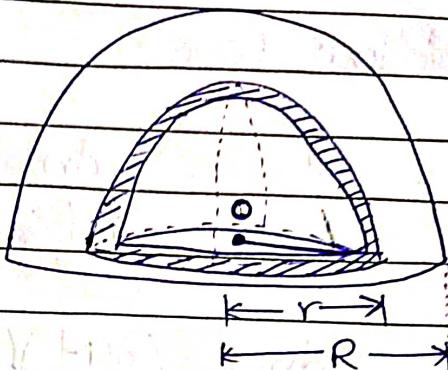
Now,  $y_{com} = \left( \frac{1}{M} \right) \left( \int R s_\theta dm \right) = \left( \frac{R}{2} \right) \int_0^{\pi/2} s_\theta d\theta$

$$\Rightarrow y_{com} = \left( \frac{R}{2} \right)$$

### 4) Solid Hemisphere:

By symmetry  $x_{\text{com}} = 0$ .

$$\rho = \frac{M}{\frac{2}{3}\pi R^3} = \frac{dm}{2\pi r^2 dr}$$



$$\Rightarrow dm = \left(\frac{3M}{R^3}\right) r^2 dr$$

$$\text{Now, } y_{\text{com}} = \left(\frac{1}{M}\right) \left(\int_0^R r \cdot dm\right) = \left(\frac{3}{2R^3}\right) \int_0^R r^3 dr$$

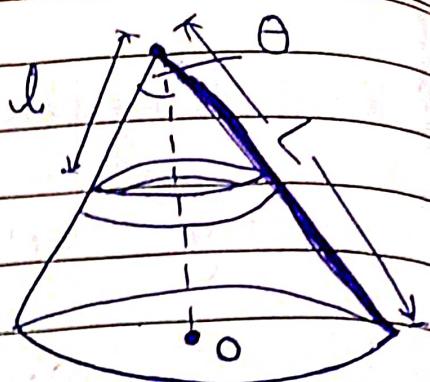
$$\Rightarrow y_{\text{com}} = \left(\frac{3R}{8}\right)$$

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## 5) Hollow Cone:

$$\rho = \frac{M}{\pi L^2 \delta_0} = \frac{dm}{2\pi l \delta_0 dl}$$



$$\Rightarrow dm = \left( \frac{2M}{L^2} \right) l dl$$

$$\text{Now, } y_{COM} = \left( \frac{1}{M} \right) \left( \int (L-l) \delta_0 dm \right)$$

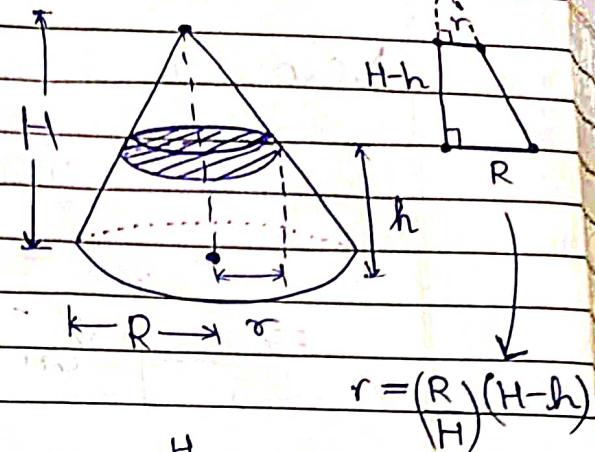
$$= \left( \frac{1}{M} \right) \left( \int_0^L (L-l) \left( \frac{2M \delta_0}{L^2} \right) l dl \right) = \left( \frac{L \delta_0}{3} \right) = \frac{H}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{COM} = \left( \frac{H}{3} \right)$$

(i) Solid Cone:

$$\rho = \frac{M}{\frac{1}{3}\pi R^2 H} = \frac{dm}{\pi r^2 dh}$$

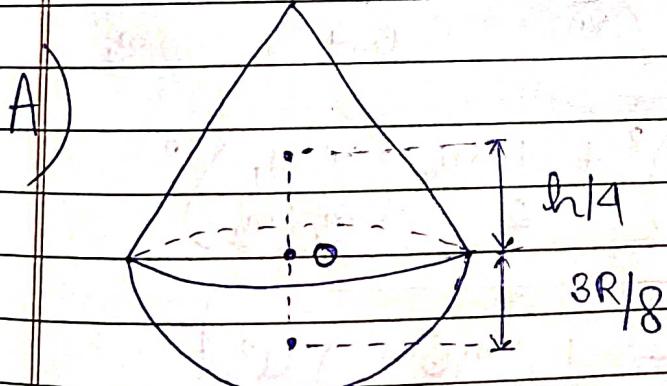
$$\Rightarrow dm = \left(\frac{3M}{H^3}\right)(H-h)^2 dh$$



$$\text{Now, } y_{COM} = \left(\frac{1}{M}\right) \left( \int h \, dh \right) = \left(\frac{1}{M}\right) \left( \int_0^H \left(\frac{3M}{H^3}\right)(H-h)^2 h \, dh \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{H^3}\right) \left( \int_0^H h^2(H-h) \, dh \right) \Rightarrow y_{COM} = \left(\frac{H}{4}\right)$$

(Q) COM of given solid at O.  
Find  $h/R$ .



$$M_{\text{cone}} = \frac{1}{3}\pi R^2 h$$

$$M_{\text{hemisphere}} = \frac{2}{3}\pi R^3$$

$$y_{COM} = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\pi R^2 h \cdot \frac{h}{4} - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\pi R^3 \cdot \frac{3R}{8} = 0$$

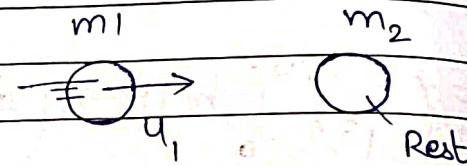
$$\Rightarrow h/R = \sqrt{3}$$

Velocity of CoM -

$$\vec{r}_{\text{CoM}} = \left( \frac{\sum m_i \vec{r}_i}{\sum m_i} \right)$$

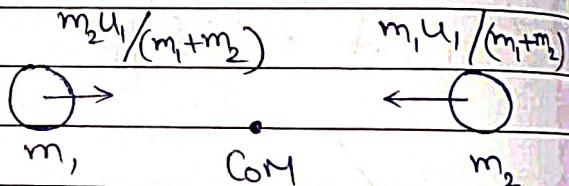
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{v}_{\text{CoM}} = \left( \frac{\sum m_i \vec{v}_i}{\sum m_i} \right)}$$

(Q) Find KE of system wrt CoM.



A)  $\vec{v}_{\text{CoM}} = \left( \frac{m_1 u_1}{m_1 + m_2} \right)$  in dirx^n of m1's motion.

In CoM's frame,

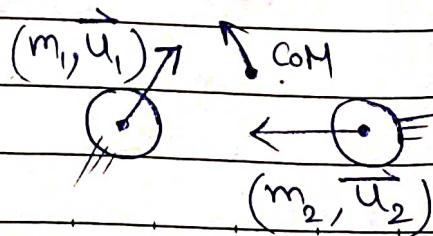


$$KE_{\text{system}} = \frac{1}{2} m_1 \left( \frac{m_2 u_1}{m_1 + m_2} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 \left( \frac{m_1 u_1}{m_1 + m_2} \right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{KE_{\text{system}} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \right) u^2}$$

while in CoM's frame,

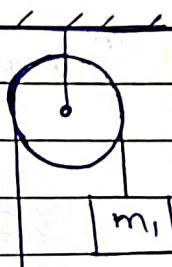
$$K_{\text{System}} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \right) |\vec{u}_1 - \vec{u}_2|^2$$



## Acceleration of CoM -

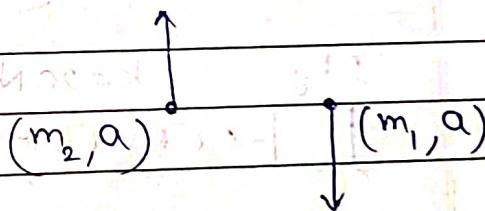
$$\vec{a}_{\text{COM}} = \frac{\left( \sum m_i \vec{a}_i \right)}{\sum m_i}$$

(Q) find  $\vec{a}_{\text{COM}}$ , given  $m_1 > m_2$ .



A)  $m_1$  falls down and  $m_2$  goes up, both with acc.  $a$ .

$$a = \left( \frac{m_1 - m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \right) g$$



$$\vec{a}_{\text{COM}} = \left( \frac{m_1 a - m_2 a}{m_1 + m_2} \right)$$

$$\vec{a}_{\text{COM}} = \left( \frac{(m_1 - m_2)^2}{m_1 + m_2} \right) g$$

## Centre of Gravity

$$\vec{r}_{\text{CoG}} = \left( \frac{\sum w_i \vec{r}_i}{\sum w_i} \right)$$

$w_i$  = Weight of  $i^{\text{th}}$  particle.

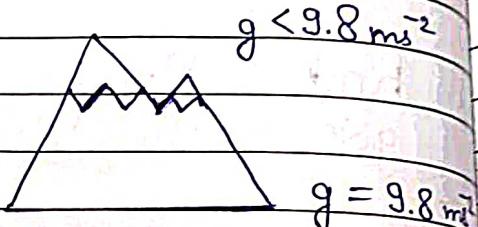
Generally,

$$\vec{r}_{\text{CoM}} = \vec{r}_{\text{CoG}}$$

But for massive obj., s.t. with great height value of 'g' changes with height,

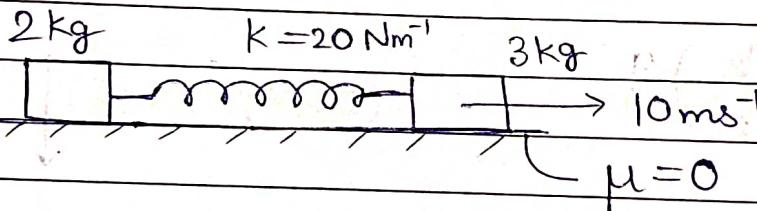
$$\text{CoG} \neq \text{CoM}$$

Eg: Mt. Everest.



Q)

Find max. compression extension in spring.



A) \*

At max. extension or compression both obj. same vel.

We see system in CoM's frame.

$$\text{System: } K_1 + U_1 = K_2 + U_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{(m_1 + m_2)}{m_1 m_2} \right) (U_1 - U_2)^2 = \frac{1}{2} k x_{\max}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{2+3}{2+3}\right) (10-0)^2 = 1 \cdot 20 \cdot \frac{x_{\max}^2}{2} \Rightarrow x_{\max} = \sqrt{6}$$

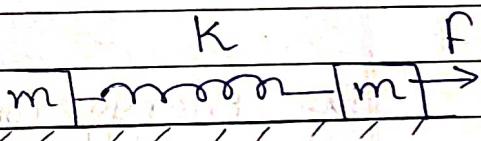
Another Method: Conserve momentum, as no ext.

$$3 \cdot 10 + 2 \cdot 0 = (2+3) v_f \Rightarrow v_f = 6$$

$$\Delta K + \Delta U = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot 6^2 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot 6^2 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot 10^2 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 20 \cdot x^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{6}$$

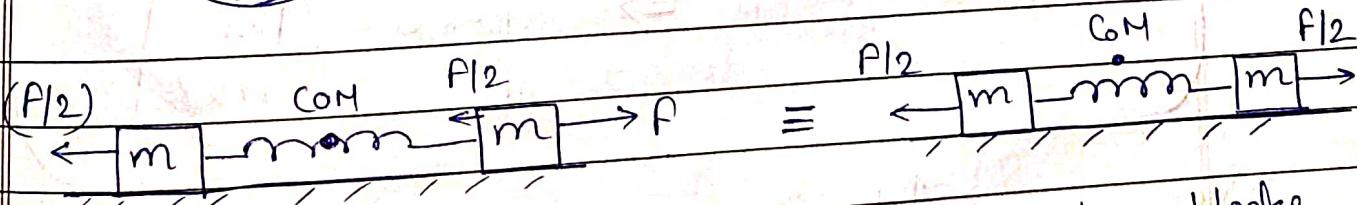
(1) Find max. extension.



A) We see system wrt. COM.

$$a_{\text{COM}} = \frac{(F/m)(m)}{(2m)} \Rightarrow a_{\text{COM}} = \left(\frac{F}{2m}\right) \text{ in } F's \text{ dir} x^n$$

Both ~~blocks~~ block experience pseudoforce.



In COM's frame, max. extension when blocks at rest.

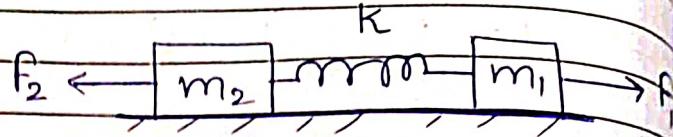
$$W_F = \Delta U \Rightarrow f x_1 + f x_2 = \frac{1}{2} k (x_1 + x_2)^2$$

$x_1$  - Ext. of  $m_1$   
 $x_2$  - Ext. of  $m_2$

$$x_{\max} = \left(\frac{F}{k}\right)$$

(Q)

Find max. extension.

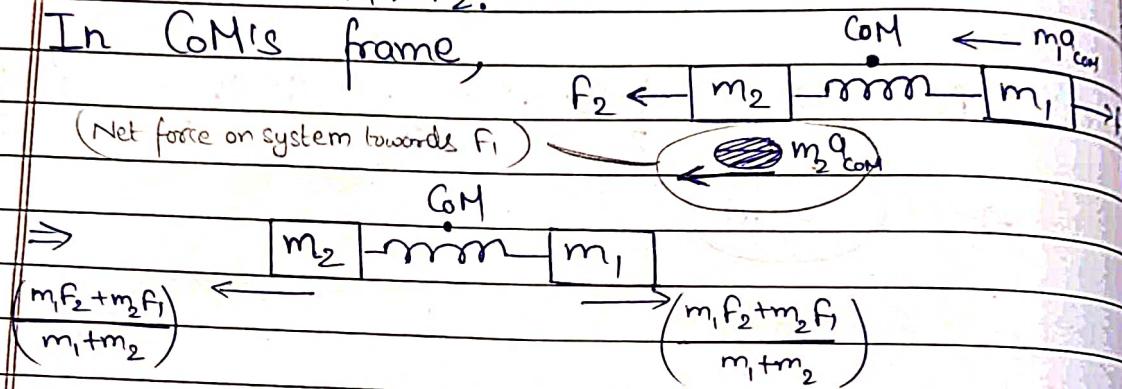


A)

$$a_{\text{com}} = \frac{m_1(F_1/m_1) - m_2(F_2/m_1)}{m_1 + m_2} = \frac{(F_1 - F_2)}{m_1 + m_2}$$

Let WLOG \$F\_1 &gt; F\_2\$.

In COM's frame,



By Energy Consrv.,

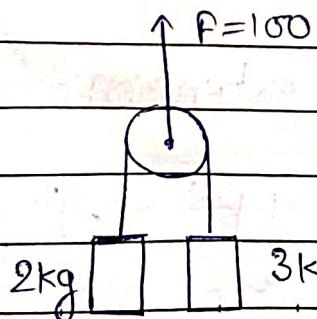
$$\left( \frac{m_1 f_2 + m_2 f_1}{m_1 + m_2} \right) (x_1) + \left( \frac{m_1 f_2 + m_2 f_1}{m_1 + m_2} \right) (x_2) = \frac{1}{2} K (x_1 + x_2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{\max} = \frac{2(m_1 f_2 + m_2 f_1)}{K(m_1 + m_2)}$$



$$F_{\text{ext.}} = m_{\text{System}} a_{\text{com}} \Rightarrow$$

$$a_{\text{com}} = \frac{F_{\text{ext.}}}{m_{\text{System}}}$$

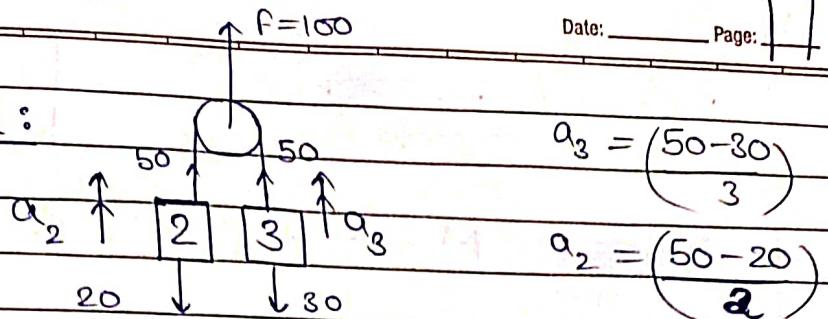
(Q) Find  
 $a_{\text{com}}$ 

A)

$$a_{\text{com}} = \frac{(100 - 20 - 30)}{2+3}$$

$$a_{\text{com}} = 10$$

Another Method:

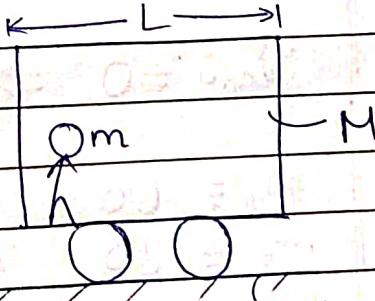


$$a_{\text{com}} = \frac{3(20/3) + 2(30/2)}{3+2} \Rightarrow a_{\text{com}} = 10$$

If  $F_{\text{ext}} = 0$ ,  $\Rightarrow a_{\text{com}} = 0$ ,  $\Rightarrow v_{\text{com}} = \text{Const.}$

$v_{\text{com}} = 0$	$v_{\text{com}} \neq 0$
$\Rightarrow x_{\text{com}} = \text{Const.}$	$\Rightarrow x_{\text{com}} \neq \text{Const.}$
$\Rightarrow \Delta x_{\text{com}} = 0$	$\Rightarrow \Delta x_{\text{com}} \neq 0$

- Q) If person moves from one end to another of wagon, find dist. moved by wagon.  
 System initially at rest.



A)  $v_{\text{com}} = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta x_{\text{com}} = 0 = \frac{m \Delta x_1 + M \Delta x_2}{m+M}$

(as  $v_{\text{com}} = 0$  &  $F_{\text{ext}} = 0$ )

$$\Rightarrow m \Delta x_1 + M \Delta x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta x_2 = -\Delta x_1$$

(Shift in CM of m)      (Shift in CM of M w.r.t ground)

$\Rightarrow \Delta x_1 = L - x$

$x$  (dist. moved by wagon)  
 $L$  (dist. by man w.r.t wagon)

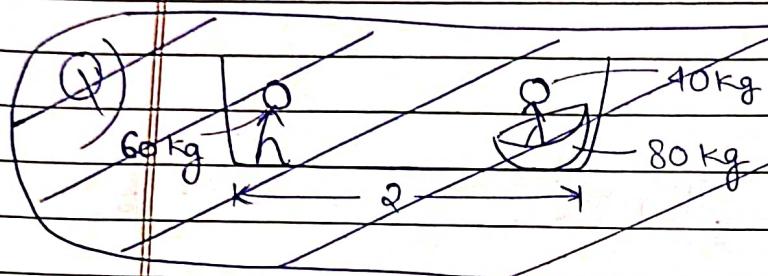
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$x$  (dist. moved by wagon wrt. ground)  
Date:

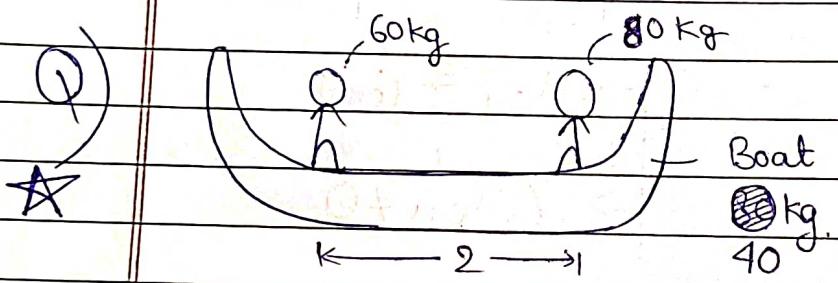
and  $\Delta x_2 = x$

$$\Rightarrow Mx + m(L-x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{mL}{M+m}$$



If people exchange position, find dist. moved by system at rest.



If people exchange post., find dist. moved by boat, if system initially at rest

A)  $v_{COM} = 0 \Rightarrow m_1 \Delta x_1 + m_2 \Delta x_2 + m_3 \Delta x_3 = 0$

$$m_1 = 60 \Rightarrow \Delta x_1 = 2+x$$

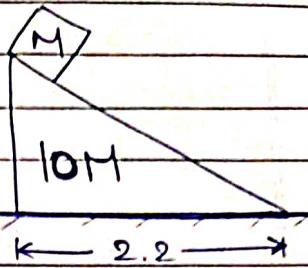
$$m_2 = 80 \Rightarrow \Delta x_2 = x-2$$

$$m_3 = 40 \Rightarrow \Delta x_3 = x$$

$$\Rightarrow 60(2+x) + 80(x-2) + 40(x) = 0$$

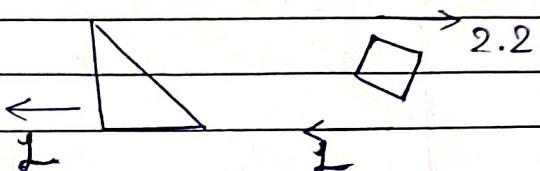
$$\Rightarrow x = 8/9$$

(1) find dist. moved by  
10m mass when  
m mass reaches  
bottom of incline.

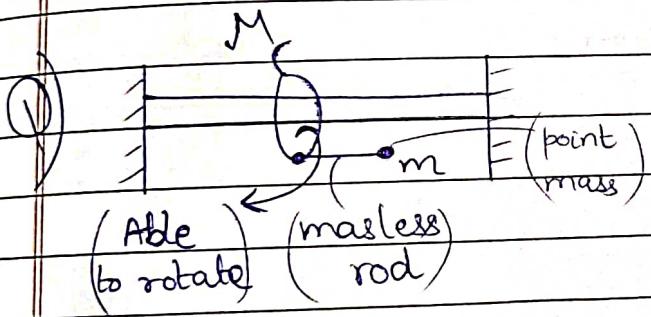


$$A) \Delta x_{com} = 0 = 10M(L) + m(L - 2.2)$$

$$\Rightarrow L = 0.2$$



For ext only in Y dirx^n!



If length of rod is L,  
find dist. moved  
by mass M when  
rod becomes vertical.

$$A) \begin{array}{l} m \\ \bullet \\ L \leftarrow \rightarrow d \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} M \\ \bullet \\ \rightarrow d \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \Delta x_{com} = 0 \\ \Rightarrow m(d-L) + Md = 0 \\ \Rightarrow d = \frac{(mL)}{(M+m)} \end{array}$$

For ext only in Y dirx^n!