

3 L3: Instantaneous Centres of Zero Velocity

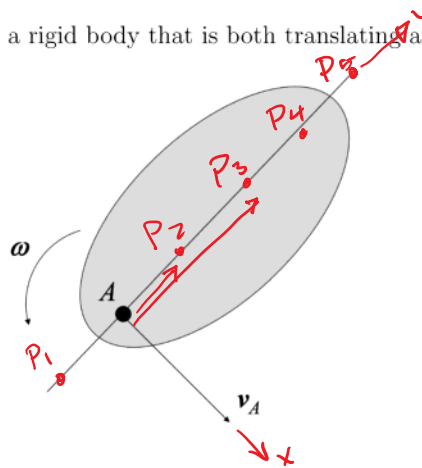
Readings

3.1 Objective

To be able to identify the ICZV of a rigid body, and to use the ICZV to quickly solve planar motion problems.

3.2 Locating the Instantaneous Centre

Consider a rigid body that is both translating and rotating.



If we draw a line perpendicular to \mathbf{v}_A and passing through A , all points P_i on this line will have velocity:

$$\mathbf{v}_{P_i} = \mathbf{v}_A + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_{P_i/A}$$

If we set up a coordinate system at point A with x along \mathbf{v}_A and y along the line perpendicular to \mathbf{v}_A , then:

$$\mathbf{v}_A = v_A \hat{i}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \omega \hat{k}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{P_i/A} = \overline{AP_i} \hat{j}$$

$$\overline{AP_i} > 0 \quad P_i \text{ +ve } y \text{ from } A$$

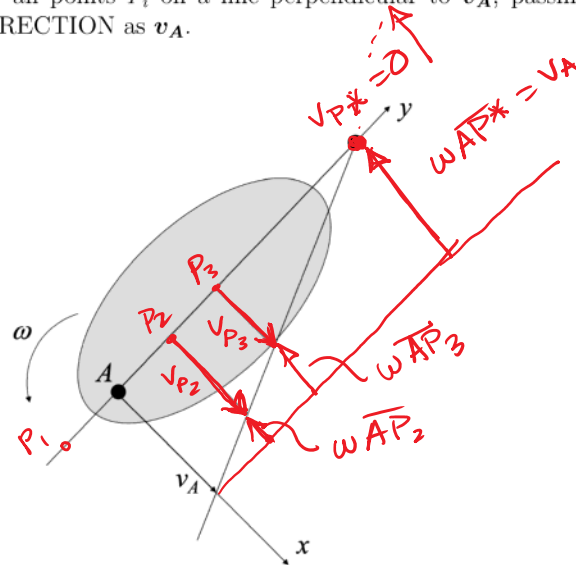
$$\overline{AP_i} < 0 \quad P_i \text{ -ve } y \text{ from } A$$

Now: $\mathbf{v}_{P_i} = v_A \hat{i} + \omega \hat{k} \times (AP_i) \hat{j}$ $\hat{k} \times \hat{j} = -\hat{i}$

$$\mathbf{v}_{P_i} = [v_A - \omega(\overline{AP_i})] \hat{i}$$

$$v_A = v_{P_i} + \omega \overline{AP_i}$$

Therefore, all points P_i on a line perpendicular to \mathbf{v}_A , passing through A , have velocity in the SAME DIRECTION as \mathbf{v}_A .



At some point along the line P^* , $AP^*\omega = v_A$

At this point, $v_{P^*} = v_A - (AP^*)\omega = 0$!

This point is known as the **Instantaneous Centre of Zero Velocity**, or ICZV.

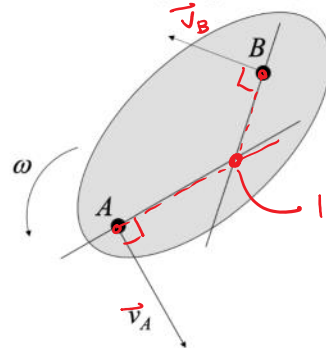
True for pure rotation



True for general plane motion too

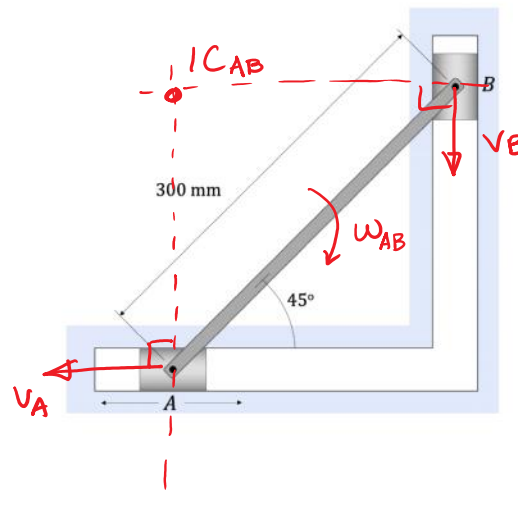
3.3 Comments about the ICZV

- The ICZV is always on a line passing through any point, P , on the body that is perpendicular to the absolute velocity of point P , P .



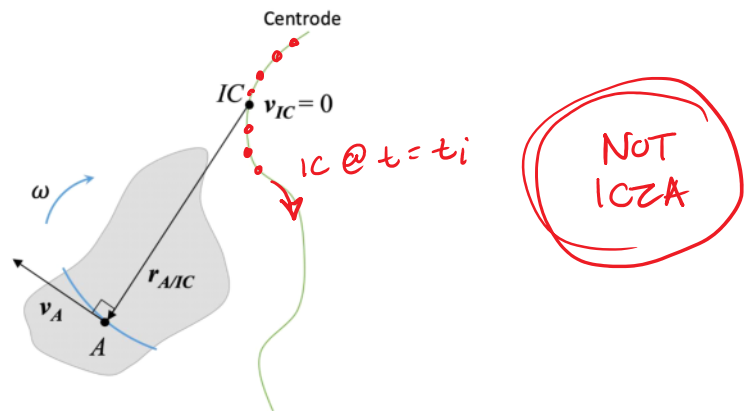
ICZV appears to rotate about this point AT THIS INSTANT
location changes as object moves

- The ICZV is NOT necessarily located on the body!



independent
of which
points you
pick

- For general plane motion (translation plus rotation), the location of the ICZV changes over time.

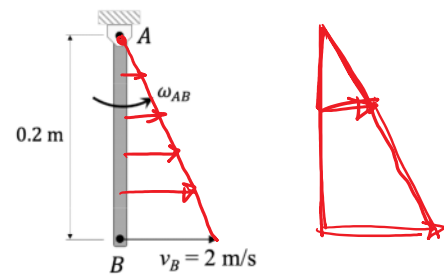


- For bodies that are pinned to a fixed location, the ICZV is at the pin.

$$v_B = \omega r_{B/A}$$

$$v_P = \omega r_{P/A}$$

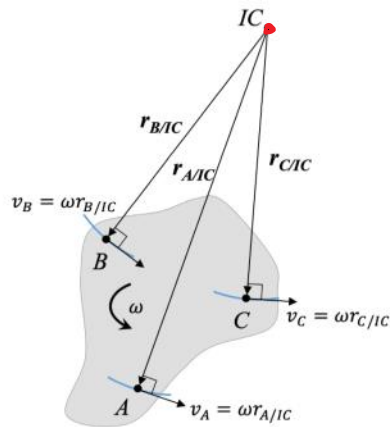
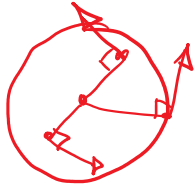
$$\frac{v_P}{v_B} = \frac{r_{P/A}}{r_{B/A}} \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{v_P}{v_B} = \frac{r_{P/A}}{r_{B/A}}} \right\} \text{similar triangles}$$



corollary of being able to pick any two pts.

- If the location of the ICZV is known, the velocity of any other point, P , on the body is:

$$\mathbf{v}_P = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_{P/ICZV}$$



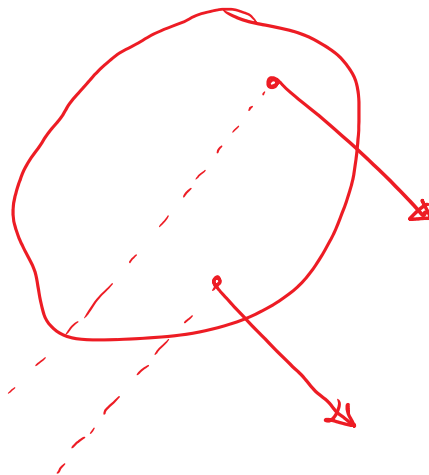
acting like pinned @ IC

$$\vec{v}_A = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{A/IC}$$

$$\vec{v}_B = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{B/IC}$$

$\vec{\omega}$ is the same for each pt. on a rigid body

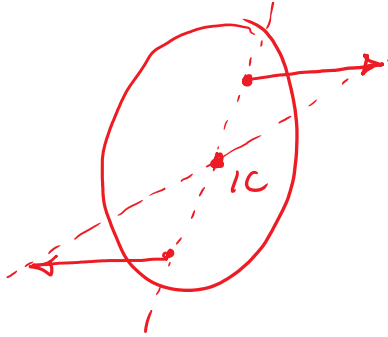
- If the velocities (magnitudes and directions) of two points on the rigid body are the same, then the body is NOT rotating, $\omega = 0$, $\mathbf{r}_{IC} = \infty$.



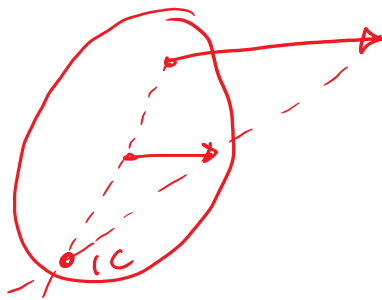
same mag + dir

- If the velocities of two points on the rigid body are co-linear (along the same direction, but different magnitude and/or sense), the method for finding the ICZV differs. There are three cases:

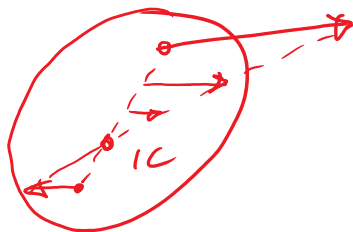
same dir, same mag, different sense



//, same sense, diff mag



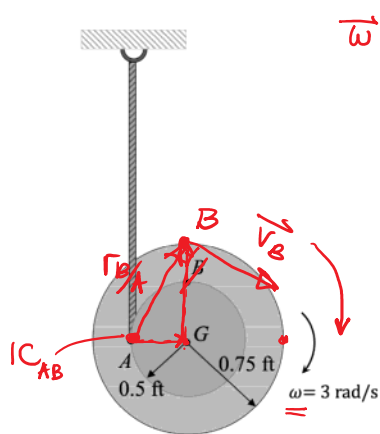
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*Need BOTH magnitude
+ direction of two vectors
to find ICZV if they
are parallel
(can find with direction alone if not
parallel)*

3.3.1 Example 1

Consider a yo-yo unraveling, without the string slipping. Find \underline{v}_A and \underline{v}_B at the instant shown.



$$\vec{\omega} = -3 \text{ rad/s } \hat{k}$$

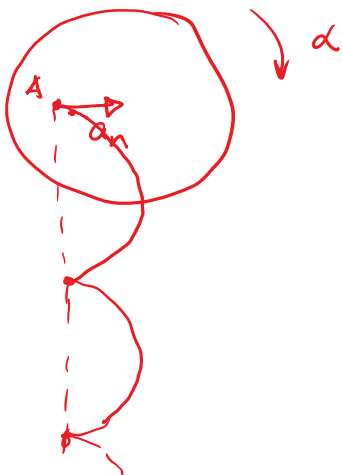
ICZV? @ A

$$i) \quad \vec{v}_A = 0$$

$$ii) \quad \vec{v}_B = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{B/A} \\ = -3 \text{ rad/s } \hat{k} \times (0.5\hat{i} + 0.75\hat{j}) \text{ ft/s} \\ = (2.25\hat{i} - 1.5\hat{j}) \text{ ft/s}$$

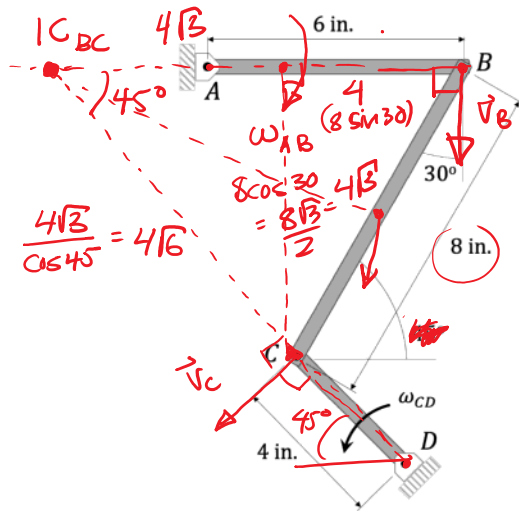
$$|\vec{a}_{nA}| = \omega^2 r_{A/G}$$

$$\vec{a}_A = \vec{a}_G + \underbrace{\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{A/G})}_{\omega^2 r} + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{A/G}$$



3.3.2 Example 2

Consider the mechanism shown. Find the ICZV of bar BC and the angular velocity of bar CD at the instant shown, given $\omega_{AB} = -1 \text{ rad/s } \hat{k}$.



$\vec{\omega}_{CD}$

$$\vec{v}_A = 0 \quad \vec{v}_D = 0$$

CD, AB pure rotation

CB is general plane motion



$$\sin 30 = \cos 60 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\cos 30 = \sin 60 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\cos 45 = \sin 45 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|\vec{r}_{C/IC}| = 4\sqrt{6}$$

$$|\vec{r}_{B/IC}| = 4\sqrt{3} + 4$$

From AB :

$$\vec{v}_B = -1 \text{ rad/s } \hat{k} \times 6 \text{ in } \hat{i} = -6 \text{ in/s } \hat{j}$$

From BC :

$$\vec{v}_B = \vec{\omega}_{BC} \times \vec{r}_{B/IC} \quad \text{pure rot about IC}$$

$$|\vec{\omega}_{BC}| = \frac{|\vec{v}_B|}{|\vec{r}_{B/IC}|} = \frac{6 \text{ in/s}}{(4\sqrt{3} + 4) \text{ in}} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{3}} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}} \quad \curvearrowright$$

Find \vec{v}_C :

$$\vec{v}_C = \vec{\omega}_{BC} \times \vec{r}_{C/IC}$$

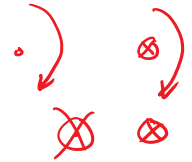
$$= \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{3}} \cdot 4\sqrt{6} = \frac{6\sqrt{6}}{1 + \sqrt{3}} \text{ in/s}$$

Find $\vec{\omega}_{CD}$

$$\vec{v}_C = \vec{\omega}_{CD} \times \vec{r}_{C/D} \Rightarrow |\vec{\omega}_{CD}| = \frac{|\vec{v}_C|}{|\vec{r}_{C/D}|} = \frac{\frac{6\sqrt{6}}{1 + \sqrt{3}} \text{ in/s}}{4 \text{ in}} = \frac{3\sqrt{6}}{2(1 + \sqrt{3})} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}} \quad \curvearrowright$$

(Example continued)

Can we do this w/o ICZV? Yes!

1. Find \vec{v}_B (same as above)

$$2. \underbrace{\vec{v}_C}_{\substack{(\vec{m} \times) \\ d\check{v}}} = \underbrace{\vec{v}_B}_{d\check{v}} + \underbrace{\vec{\omega}_{BC}}_{\substack{(\vec{m} \times) \\ d\check{v}}} \times \underbrace{\vec{r}_{C/B}}_{d\check{v}}$$

components \hat{i}, \hat{j}

2 unknowns

2 eqn

... solve for $\vec{v}_C, \vec{\omega}_{BC}$ 3. $\vec{v}_C = \vec{\omega}_{CD} \times \vec{r}_{C/D}$ (same as above)... solve for $\vec{\omega}_{CD}$