

- For a general dyadic pre and post multiplication by an arbitrary vector \vec{v} give different results. However an inertia dyadic is symmetric and produces the same result in pre and post multiplication.
- There is only one inertia dyadic even though there are an infinite number of inertia matrices. The inertia matrix depends on the choice of R.F.
- When O is the center of mass of S then call "Central inertia dyadic"
 $\bar{I}^{S/O}$

There relationship between dyadics for different points. E.G. if point Q (arbitrary)

$$\bar{I}^{S/Q} = \bar{I}^{S/S_0} + \bar{I}^{S_0/Q}$$

\uparrow arbitrary point \uparrow mass center of S

S : collection of particles or RBs.

$\bar{I}^{S_0/Q}$: inertia of "particle at mass center of mass m_{TOT} "

General form of the parallel axis theorem.

Principal Axes

In general the inertia vector is not parallel to \hat{n}_a . But sometimes it is and when it is then \hat{n}_a and its line L are called a principal axis of S for O . The plane that is normal to \hat{n}_a is called the principal plane. $M_O I$ is principal moment of inertia about \hat{n}_a, L . If \hat{s}_i are principal directors if aligned with \hat{n}_a . You can derive principal dyadic like:

$$\bar{I}^{S/O} = I_1 \hat{s}_1 \hat{s}_1 + I_2 \hat{s}_2 \hat{s}_2 + I_3 \hat{s}_3 \hat{s}_3$$