

Ch. 4 The Kinematics of Rigid Body Motion 10/5/21 (69)

★ What is kinematics? Study of motion without regard to forces (what ^{does not care} produces the motion)

★ What is a rigid body? Represent a physical object, it contains N particles of mass m_i . Without constraints, it would have $3N$ degrees of freedom. Nevertheless, holonomic constraints dictate, e.g., the distance between particles and this greatly reduces the #degrees of freedom

Are human bodies rigid bodies? why yes, why not? provide examples

★ How can you describe the motion of rigid bodies? what is # of degrees of freedom? The generalized coordinates?

I would say 6 degrees of freedom: 3 to hold the object in place ~~and there~~ or move, and 3 more to rotate it. Maybe?

The book mentions that to fix the points in a rigid body, you don't ~~need~~ need to specify all the points, you just need to specify a plane ~~part~~ by using 3 points. What are the degrees of freedom for each ~~stating~~ point?

3 for the first one, nothing to do about it

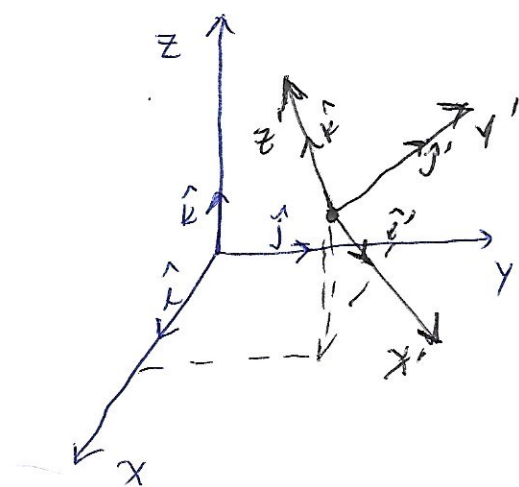
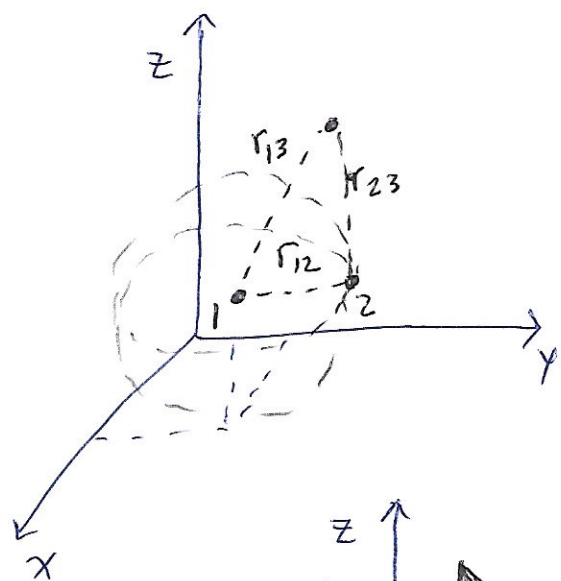
2 for the second point, need to specify position of first point and

1 for the third point. It has to maintain its ^{relative distance} distance to the other, but can still rotate

(I was wrong, correct number of 6 dof) (Actually, not wrong)

Let's draw them!

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• think (x, y, z)
3 coordinates for point 1
2 coordinates for point 2

• r_{12} is a constrain

• think θ and ϕ in spherical coordinates, makes a sphere about point 1

1 coordinate for point 1

• r_{13} and r_{23} constrained

• think r in spherical coordinates, we can still rotate, so gives the \hat{r} direction.

Spherical coordinates still orthogonal, so it is like having another system relative to first one

From the definition of the dot product $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \cos \theta_{AB}$ and magnitude of unit vectors is 1, so $\hat{i}' \cdot \hat{j} = \cos \theta_{ij}$

$$\cos \theta_{1'1} = \hat{i}' \cdot \hat{i} \quad \cos \theta_{2'1} = \hat{j}' \cdot \hat{i} \quad \cos \theta_{3'1} = \hat{k}' \cdot \hat{i}$$

$$\cos \theta_{1'2} = \hat{i}' \cdot \hat{j} \quad \cos \theta_{2'2} = \hat{j}' \cdot \hat{j} \quad \cos \theta_{3'2} = \hat{k}' \cdot \hat{j}$$

$$\cos \theta_{1'3} = \hat{i}' \cdot \hat{k} \quad \cos \theta_{3'2} = \hat{j}' \cdot \hat{k} \quad \cos \theta_{3'3} = \hat{k}' \cdot \hat{k}$$

$$\hat{i}' = \cos \theta_{1'1} \hat{i} + \cos \theta_{1'2} \hat{j} + \cos \theta_{1'3} \hat{k}$$

$$\hat{j}' = \cos \theta_{2'1} \hat{i} + \cos \theta_{2'2} \hat{j} + \cos \theta_{2'3} \hat{k}$$

$$\hat{k}' = \cos \theta_{3'1} \hat{i} + \cos \theta_{3'2} \hat{j} + \cos \theta_{3'3} \hat{k}$$

↑ direction cosines

Consider a vector given by $\vec{r} = x' \hat{i}' + y' \hat{j}' + z' \hat{k}'$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } \vec{r} &= x' (\cos \theta_{1,1} \hat{i} + \cos \theta_{1,2} \hat{j} + \cos \theta_{1,3} \hat{k}) \\ &+ y' (\cos \theta_{2,1} \hat{i} + \cos \theta_{2,2} \hat{j} + \cos \theta_{2,3} \hat{k}) \\ &+ z' (\cos \theta_{3,1} \hat{i} + \cos \theta_{3,2} \hat{j} + \cos \theta_{3,3} \hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \vec{r} &= (x' \cos \theta_{1,1} + y' \cos \theta_{2,1} + z' \cos \theta_{3,1}) \hat{i} \\ &+ (x' \cos \theta_{1,2} + y' \cos \theta_{2,2} + z' \cos \theta_{3,2}) \hat{j} \\ &+ (x' \cos \theta_{1,3} + y' \cos \theta_{2,3} + z' \cos \theta_{3,3}) \hat{k} \end{aligned} \quad \text{Go to } (*)$$

(*) The direction cosines could have also been expressed as

$$\hat{i} = \cos \theta_{1,1} \hat{i}' + \cos \theta_{2,1} \hat{j}' + \cos \theta_{3,1} \hat{k}'$$

$$\hat{j} = \cos \theta_{1,2} \hat{i}' + \cos \theta_{2,2} \hat{j}' + \cos \theta_{3,2} \hat{k}'$$

$$\hat{k} = \cos \theta_{1,3} \hat{i}' + \cos \theta_{2,3} \hat{j}' + \cos \theta_{3,3} \hat{k}'$$

$$x' = r \cdot \hat{i}' = x \cos \theta_{1,1} + y \cos \theta_{1,2} + z \cos \theta_{1,3}$$

$$y' = r \cdot \hat{j}' = x \cos \theta_{2,1} + y \cos \theta_{2,2} + z \cos \theta_{2,3}$$

$$z' = r \cdot \hat{k}' = x \cos \theta_{3,1} + y \cos \theta_{3,2} + z \cos \theta_{3,3}$$

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$$x = \vec{r} \cdot \hat{i} = x' \cos \theta_{1'1} + y' \cos \theta_{2'1} + z' \cos \theta_{3'1}$$

$$y = \vec{r} \cdot \hat{j} = x' \cos \theta_{1'2} + y' \cos \theta_{2'2} + z' \cos \theta_{3'2}$$

$$z = \vec{r} \cdot \hat{k} = x' \cos \theta_{1'3} + y' \cos \theta_{2'3} + z' \cos \theta_{3'3}$$

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~~$$x = x' \hat{i} + y' \hat{j} + z' \hat{k}$$~~

Consider x .

$$\begin{aligned} x &= (x \cos \theta_{1'1} + y \cos \theta_{1'2} + z \cos \theta_{1'3}) \cos \theta_{1'1} \\ &\quad + (x \cos \theta_{2'1} + y \cos \theta_{2'2} + z \cos \theta_{2'3}) \cos \theta_{2'1} \\ &\quad + (x \cos \theta_{3'1} + y \cos \theta_{3'2} + z \cos \theta_{3'3}) \cos \theta_{3'1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x (\cos^2 \theta_{1'1} + \cos^2 \theta_{2'1} + \cos^2 \theta_{3'1}) \\ &\quad + y (\cos \theta_{1'2} \cos \theta_{1'1} + \cos \theta_{2'2} \cos \theta_{2'1} + \cos \theta_{3'2} \cos \theta_{3'1}) \\ &\quad + z (\cos \theta_{1'3} \cos \theta_{1'1} + \cos \theta_{2'3} \cos \theta_{2'1} + \cos \theta_{3'3} \cos \theta_{3'1}) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for y and z .□ The Kronecker δ symbol δ_{lm} is defined by

$$\delta_{lm} = 1 \quad l = m$$

$$= 0 \quad l \neq m, \text{ so}$$

$$\sum_{l=1}^3 \cos \theta_{lm'} \cos \theta_{lm} = \delta_{m'm}$$

$$y = (x \cos \theta_{1'1} + y \cos \theta_{1'2} + z \cos \theta_{1'3}) \cos \theta_{1'2} \\ + (x \cos \theta_{2'1} + y \cos \theta_{2'2} + z \cos \theta_{2'3}) \cos \theta_{2'2} \\ + (x \cos \theta_{3'1} + y \cos \theta_{3'2} + z \cos \theta_{3'3}) \cos \theta_{3'2}$$

$$y = x (\cos \theta_{1'1} \cos \theta_{1'2} + \cos \theta_{2'1} \cos \theta_{2'2} + \cos \theta_{3'1} \cos \theta_{3'2}) \\ + y (\cos^2 \theta_{1'2} + \cos^2 \theta_{2'2} + \cos^2 \theta_{3'2}) \\ + z (\cos \theta_{1'3} \cos \theta_{1'2} + \cos \theta_{2'3} \cos \theta_{2'2} + \cos \theta_{3'3} \cos \theta_{3'2})$$

z ...

So we need $\sum_{l=1}^3 \cos^2 \theta_{l1} = 1$ for x

$\sum_{l=1}^3 \cos^2 \theta_{l2} = 1$ for y

$\sum_{l=1}^3 \cos^2 \theta_{l3} = 1$ for z

$$\sum_{l=1}^3 \cos \theta_{l2} \cos \theta_{l3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{l=1}^3 \cos \theta_{lm'} \cos \theta_{lm} = 0 \quad m \neq m'$$

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