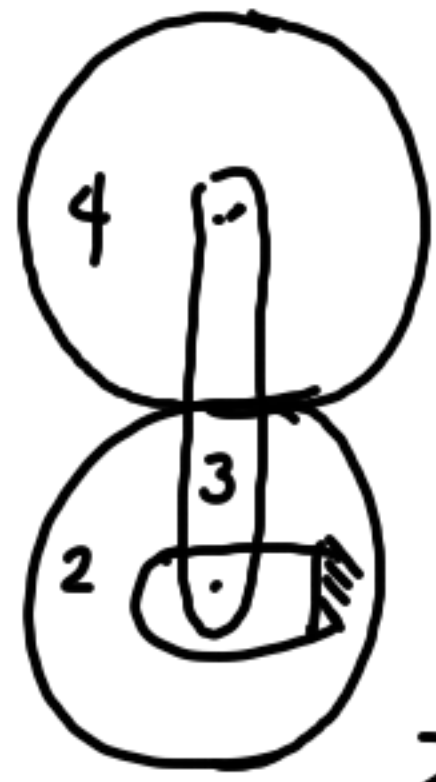


# Gear Train :

## Epicyclic (Planetary)

### Gear :



2: SUN; 3: ARM;  
4: PLANET.

2 DOF system;

If arm is fixed, we recover simple gear train;

What is the speed ratio?

Or Given  $\omega_2, \omega_3$ , what is  $\omega_4$ ?

### Arm fixed case :

$$\frac{\omega_4}{\omega_2} = -\frac{N_2}{N_4}$$

When Arm is rotating with speed  $\omega_3$  :

$$\frac{\omega_4}{\omega_2} = -\frac{N_2}{N_4}$$

$$\frac{\omega_4 - \omega_3}{\omega_2 - \omega_3} = -\frac{N_2}{N_4}$$

A special case is

$$\omega_3 = 0$$

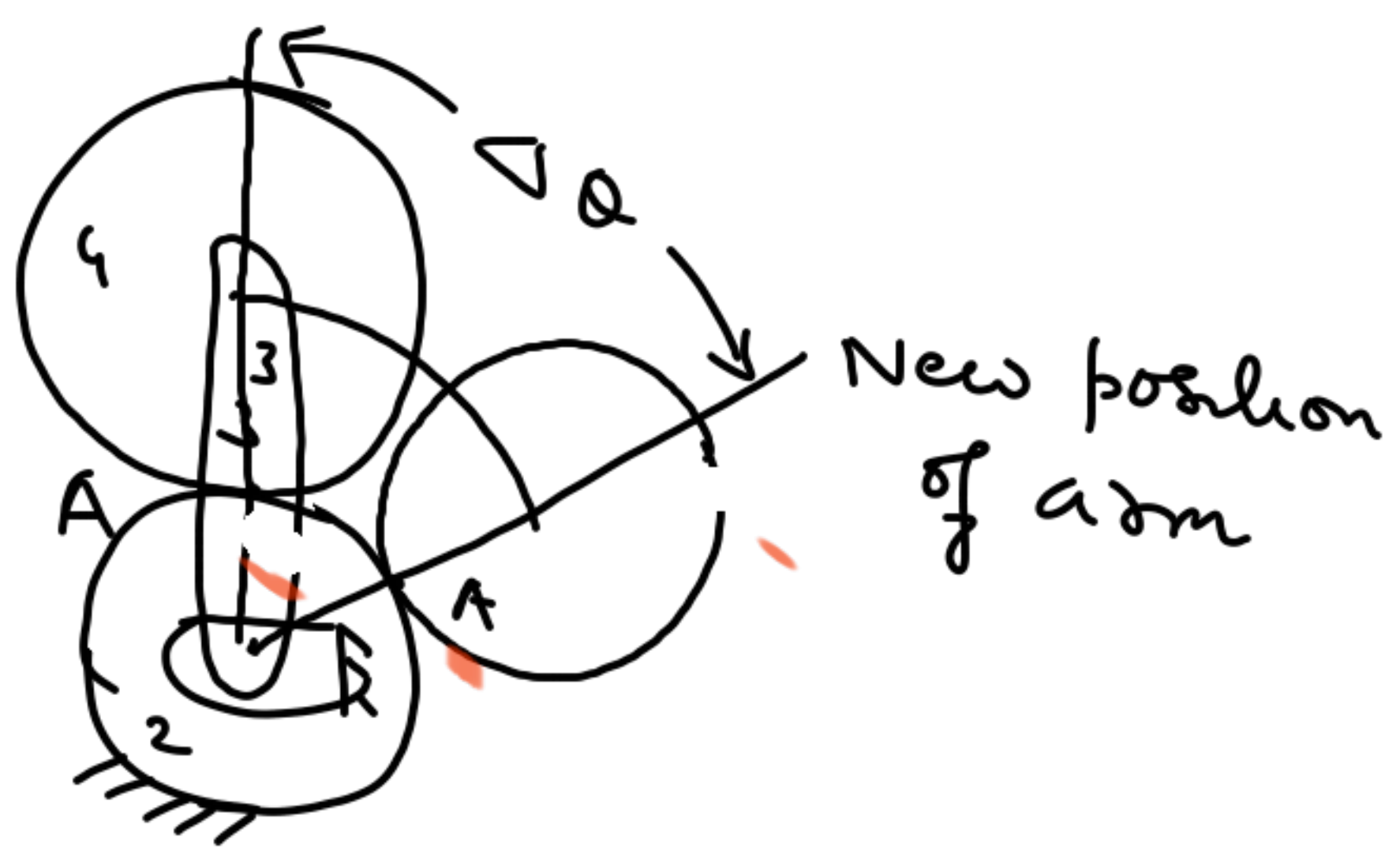
i.e. Arm is fixed

### Special case,

Sun is fixed.

$$\omega_2 = 0$$

$\omega_3$  is in the clockwise direction



Let Contact point 2 and 4  
be A

$A_2, A_4$

① Move arm and all gears  
as one unit in clockwise  
direction (angle  $\Delta\theta$ )

② But point on gear 2 can't  
move. so we need a

Correction.

③ Keeping Arm  
fixed, we move  
gear 2 in the  
anti clockwise  
direction by  $\Delta\phi$ .

④ Gear 4 rotation  
is clockwise  
by angle  $\Delta\phi$

$$\frac{\Delta\phi}{\Delta\theta} = \frac{N_2}{N_4}$$

OR  $\Delta\phi = \frac{N_2 \Delta\theta}{N_4}$

If we divide  
above  
equation by  $\Delta\theta$ ,  
we get ratio  
of speeds  
as  $N_2/N_4$ .

Since  $\Delta\theta, \Delta\phi$   
are changes in  
angle w.r.t arm,  
speeds are relative  
speed i.e. w.r.t  
arm speed  $\omega_3$



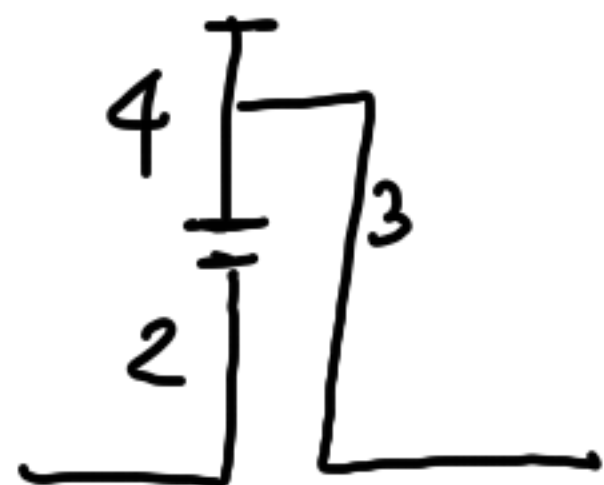
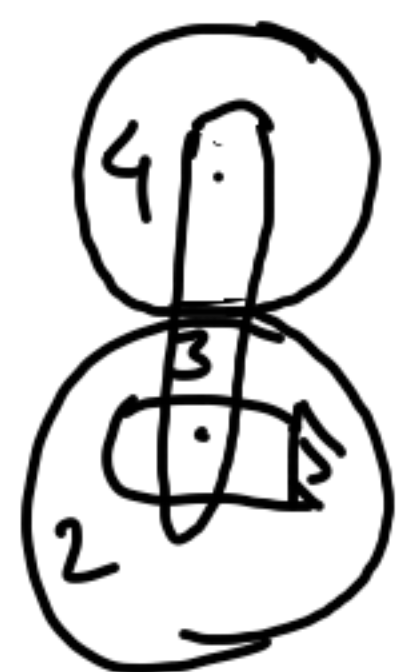
For the case of  $\omega_2 = 0$ :

$$\frac{\omega_4 - \omega_3}{0 - \omega_3} = -\frac{N_2}{N_4}$$

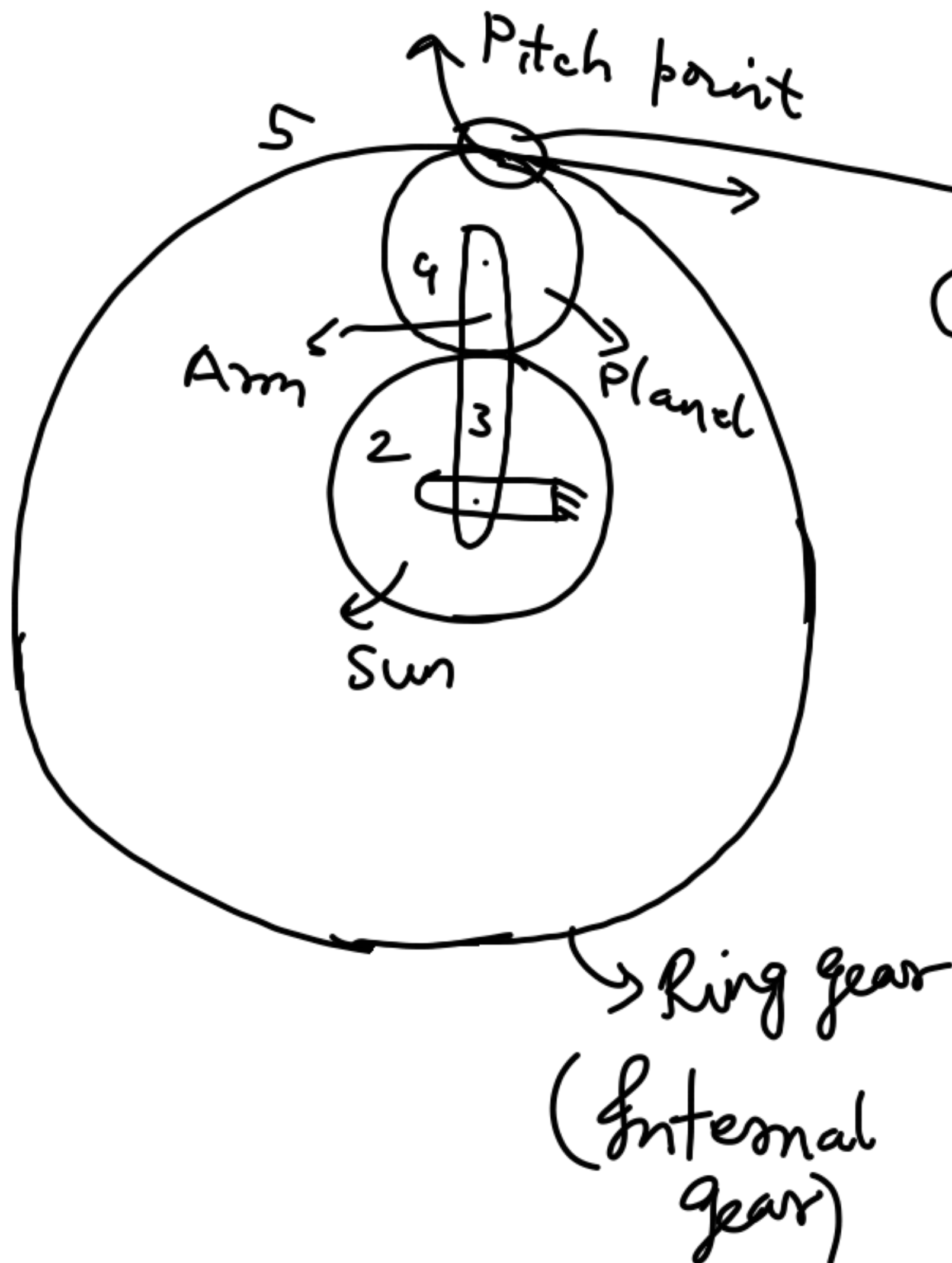
or  $\omega_4 = \omega_3 \left( 1 + \frac{N_2}{N_4} \right)$

Speed of planet

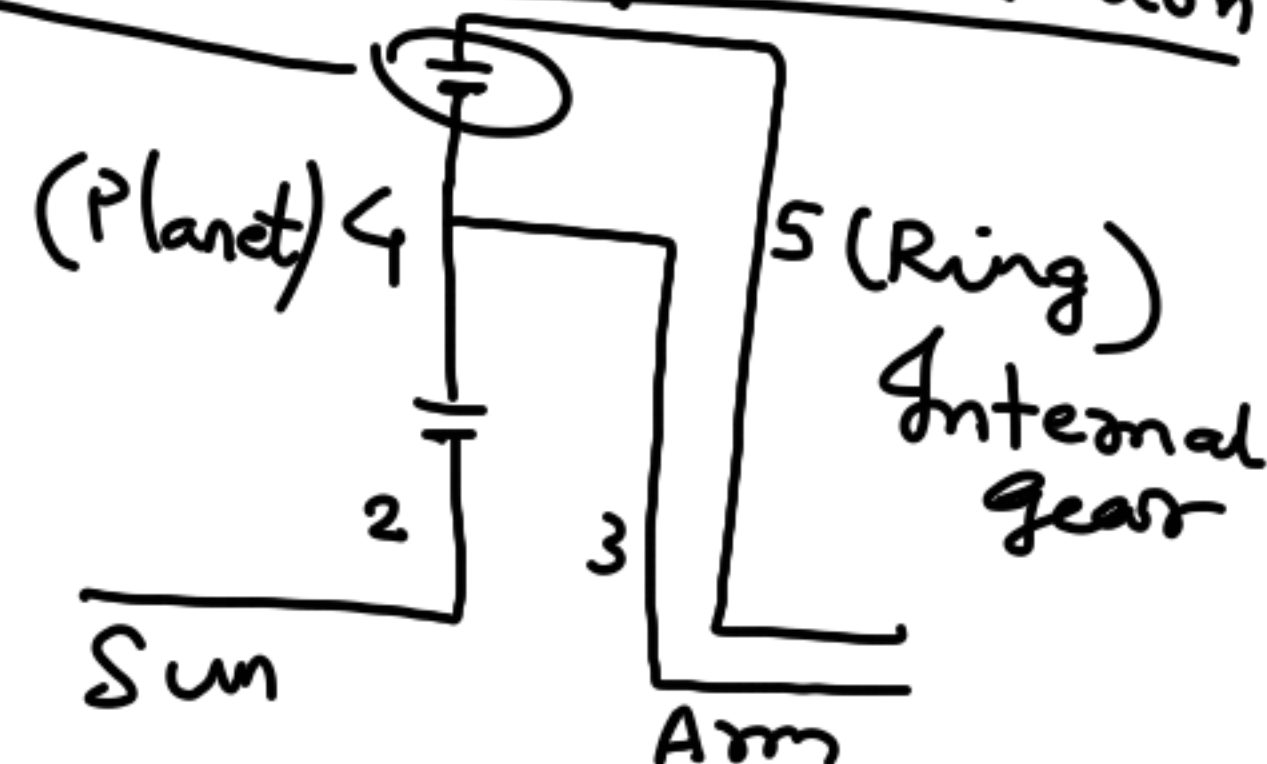
Schematic representation



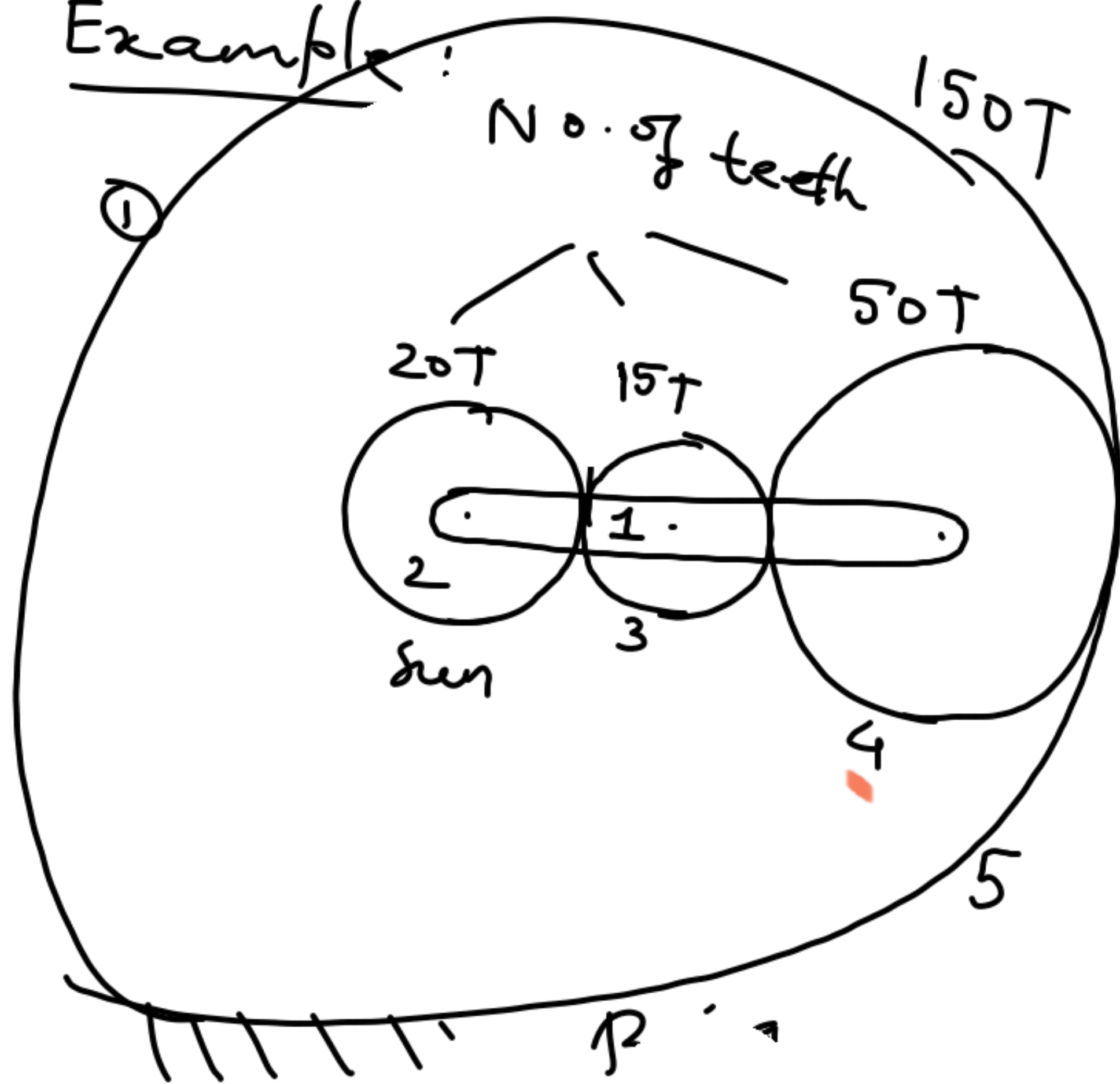
Most common arrangement



Line representation



Example:



Find the numbr. of teeth on ring 2

Ring gear is fixed;

Arm is given 1 rev in anticlockwise dir'n.

Find the revolutions for 2, 3, 4.

Geometric compatibility

$$r_5 = r_2 + 2r_3 + 2r_4$$

pitch circle radius

Module "m" is same for all gears.

$$\cancel{2}N_5 = \cancel{1}N_2 + \cancel{1}N_3 + \cancel{1}N_4$$

$$N_5 = N_2 + 2N_3 + 2N_4$$

$$= 20 + 2 \times 15 + 2 \times 50$$

$$N_5 = 150 \text{ T}$$

Speed ratio / Velocity ratio

$$\frac{\omega_5 - \omega_1}{\omega_2 - \omega_1} = \left( \frac{\omega_5 - \omega_1}{\omega_4 - \omega_1} \right) \left( \frac{\omega_4 - \omega_1}{\omega_3 - \omega_1} \right) \left( \frac{\omega_3 - \omega_1}{\omega_2 - \omega_1} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{\omega_5 - \omega_1}{\omega_2 - \omega_1} \right) = \left( \frac{\cancel{N_4}}{N_5} \right) \left( \frac{-\cancel{1}N_3}{\cancel{N_4}} \right) \left( \frac{-N_2}{\cancel{N_3}} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{N_2}{N_5} \right)$$

$$\text{Given } \omega_5 = 0; \omega_1 = 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{0-1}{\omega_2-1} = \frac{20}{150}$$

$$\omega_2 - 1 = -7.5$$

$$\omega_2 = -6.5 \text{ rev}$$

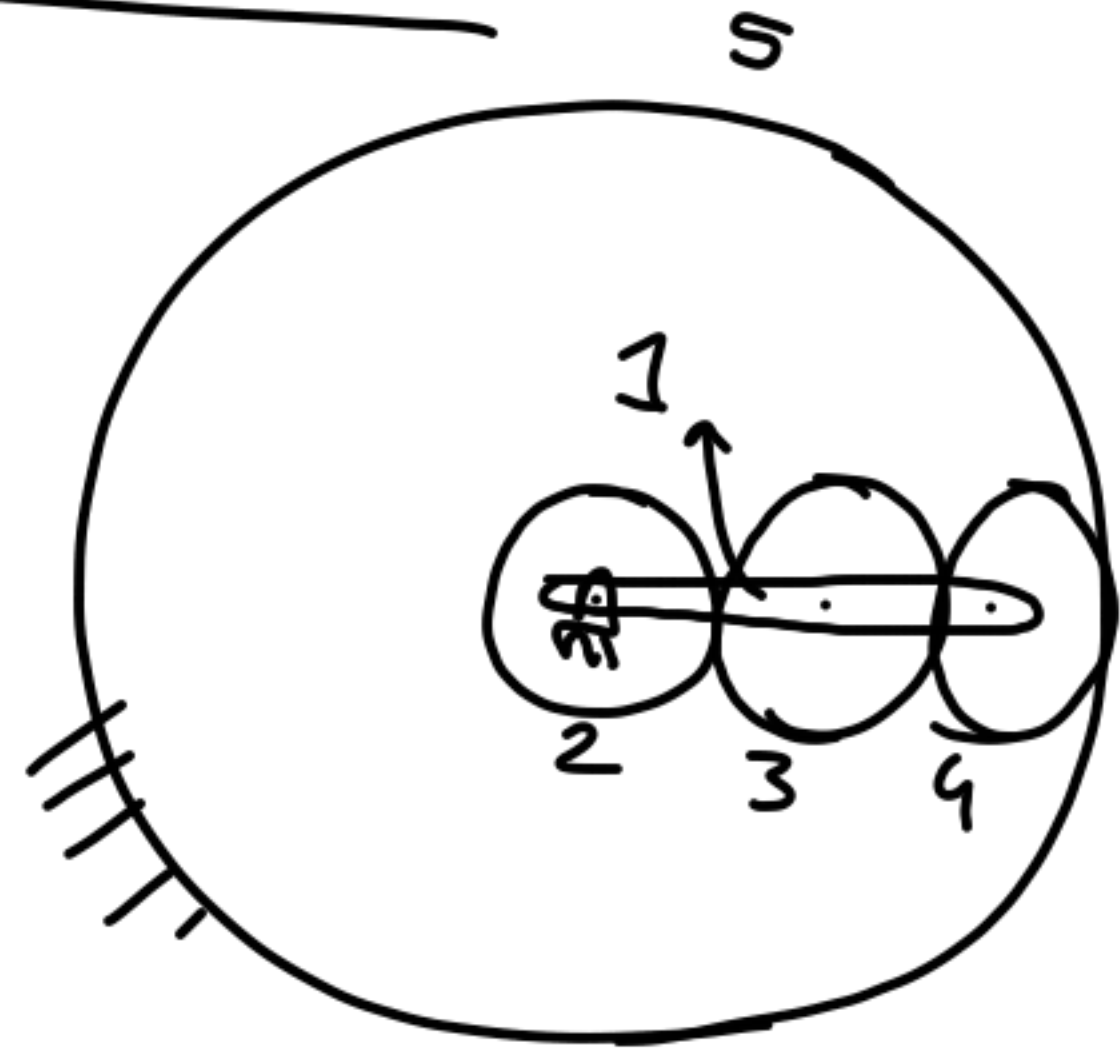
Speed of gear 3 :

$$\frac{\omega_5 - \omega_1}{\omega_3 - \omega_1} = \left( \frac{\omega_5 - \omega_1}{\omega_4 - \omega_1} \right) \left( \frac{\omega_4 - \omega_1}{\omega_3 - \omega_1} \right)$$
$$= \left( \frac{N_2}{N_5} \right) \left( \frac{-N_3}{N_4} \right)$$

$$\frac{0 - 1}{\omega_3 - 1} = \frac{-15}{150} = \frac{-1}{10}$$

$$\omega_3 - 1 = 10$$
$$\boxed{\omega_3 = 11}$$

Tabular approach



Principle of Superposition

- ① Lock the gear train to a dm, so that everything rotates as a rigid body



② Correction is needed to match with the given input information.

$$\frac{\omega_5}{\omega_4} = \frac{N_4}{N_5}$$

$$\omega_4 = \frac{(-1) \times 150}{50}$$

$$\omega_4 = -3$$

$$\frac{\omega_3}{\omega_4} = \frac{-N_4}{N_3}$$

$$\omega_3 = \frac{(-3)(-50)}{155}$$

$$\omega_3 = 10$$

$$\frac{\omega_2}{\omega_3} = \frac{-N_3}{N_2} \cdot \omega_2 = 10 \left( \frac{15}{20} \right)$$

$$\omega_2 = -7.5$$

In the table

	1	2	3	4	5
Total	1	-6.5	11	-2	0

Component      1    2    3    4    5

① Gear train is locked to arm.  
Arm is given desired rotation

	1	1	1	1	1
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② Now keeping arm fixed, and rotate 5 in anticlockwise dir<sup>n</sup> by 1 rev.

	0	-7.5	10	-3	-1
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