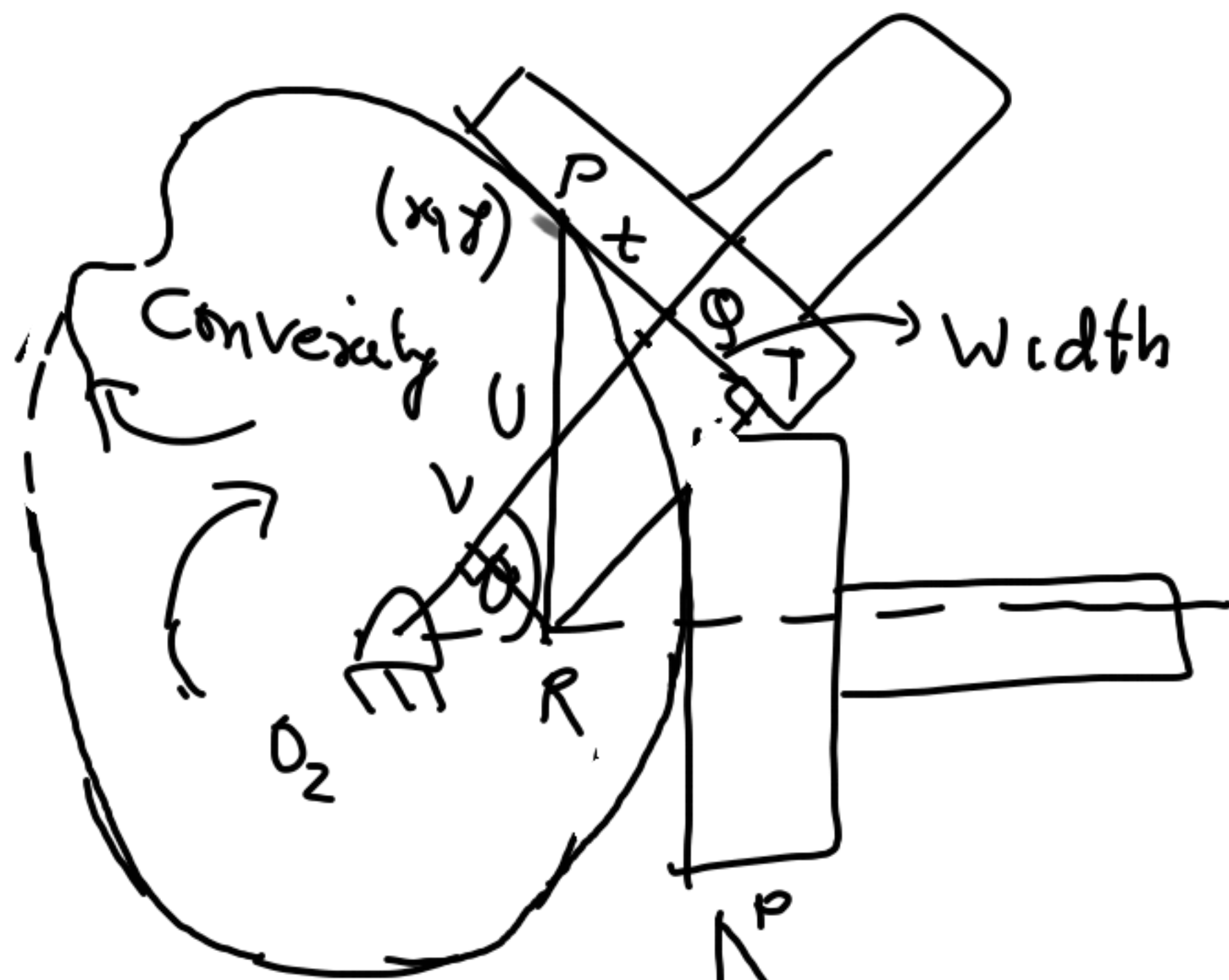
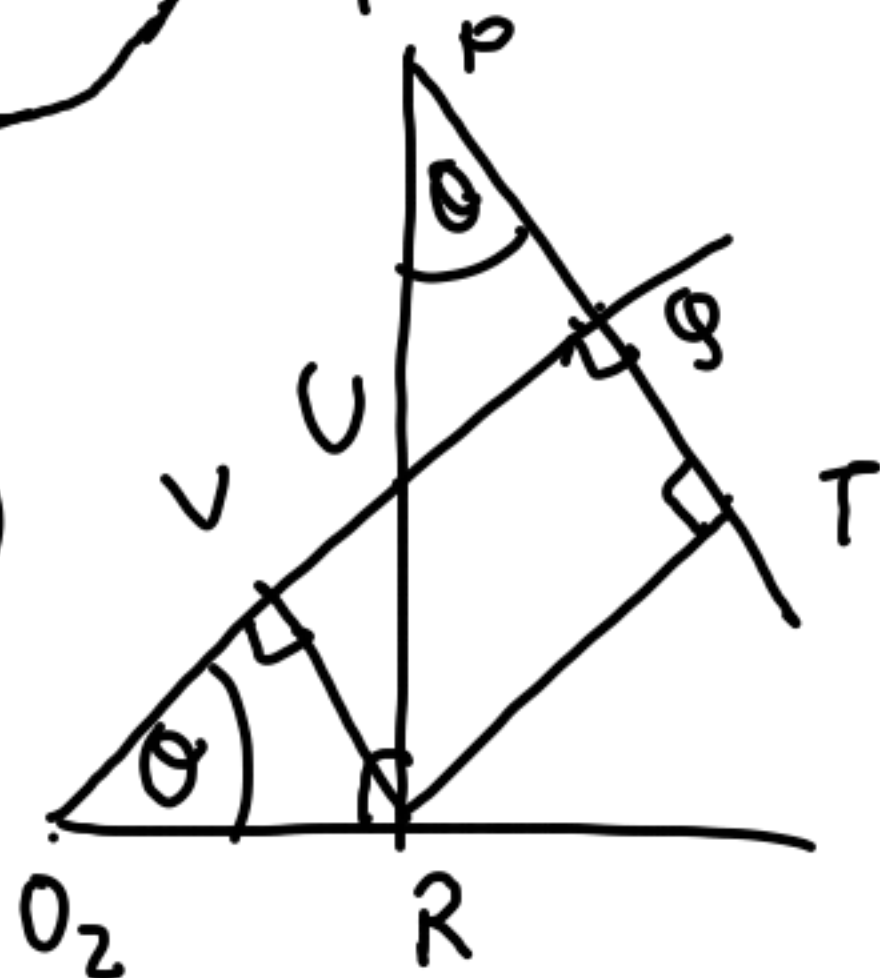


# Flat faced follower



$$O_2 Q = R(\theta) \\ = r_b + f(\theta)$$

$$PQ = t \\ PR = y \\ O_2 R = x$$



$$O_2 Q = O_2 V + V Q \\ = O_2 V + RT \\ = (O_2 R) \cos \theta + (PR) \sin \theta$$

$$\therefore R(\theta) = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta \quad \rightarrow ①$$

$$PQ = PT - QT \\ = PT - VR \\ = (PR) \cos \theta - (O_2 R) \sin \theta$$

$$\therefore t = -x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta \quad \rightarrow ②$$

Slope of  
Cam @ P

$$\left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \tan \theta = -1 \quad \rightarrow ③$$

x, y are  
functions  
of  $\theta$ :

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \left( \frac{dy}{d\theta} \right) / \left( \frac{dx}{d\theta} \right)$$

So from ③:

$$\frac{\left(\frac{dy}{d\theta}\right) \sin \theta}{\left(\frac{dx}{d\theta}\right) \cos \theta} = -1$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{dy}{d\theta}\right) \sin \theta + \cos \theta \left(\frac{dx}{d\theta}\right) = 0$$

→ ④

From ①:  $\frac{dR}{d\theta} = \left\{ \frac{dx}{d\theta} \cos \theta - x \sin \theta + \frac{dy}{d\theta} \sin \theta + y \cos \theta \right\}$

$$\frac{dR}{d\theta} = -x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta$$

$$\boxed{\frac{dR}{d\theta} = t}$$

$$R(\theta) = \underbrace{r_b}_{\text{Base circle radius}} + \underbrace{f'(\theta)}_{\text{Follower translation}}$$

$$\boxed{t = \frac{df}{d\theta} = f'(\theta)}$$

Max & minimum values of  $f'(\theta)$

And thus ascertain the suitable width of flat faced follower.

$$\begin{Bmatrix} R \\ R'(\theta) \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x \\ y \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} x \\ y \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} R \\ R'(\theta) \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} x = \cos \theta R(\theta) - \sin \theta R'(\theta) \\ y = \sin \theta R(\theta) + \cos \theta R'(\theta) \end{cases}$$

location where follower touches (contacts) the CAM.

Slope of the tangent line PQ

$$= -\frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

$\therefore$  Eq<sup>n</sup> of tangent line:

$$\frac{y - [R \sin \theta + R' \cos \theta]}{x - [R \cos \theta - R' \sin \theta]} = -\frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

The tangent lines can be used along with "Theory of envelopes" to get the CAM profile.

Estimate of base circle dimension:

Curvature (Radius)

$$f = \frac{\left[ 1 + \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2}}{\left( \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right)}$$

Aside

$$M(x) = \pm \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\left(\frac{dx}{d\theta}\right)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx}$$

After carrying out the algebra,

$$f = r_b + f'(\theta) + f''(\theta)$$

For convex CAM

$$f \geq 0$$

$$r_b + f'(\theta) + f''(\theta) \geq 0$$

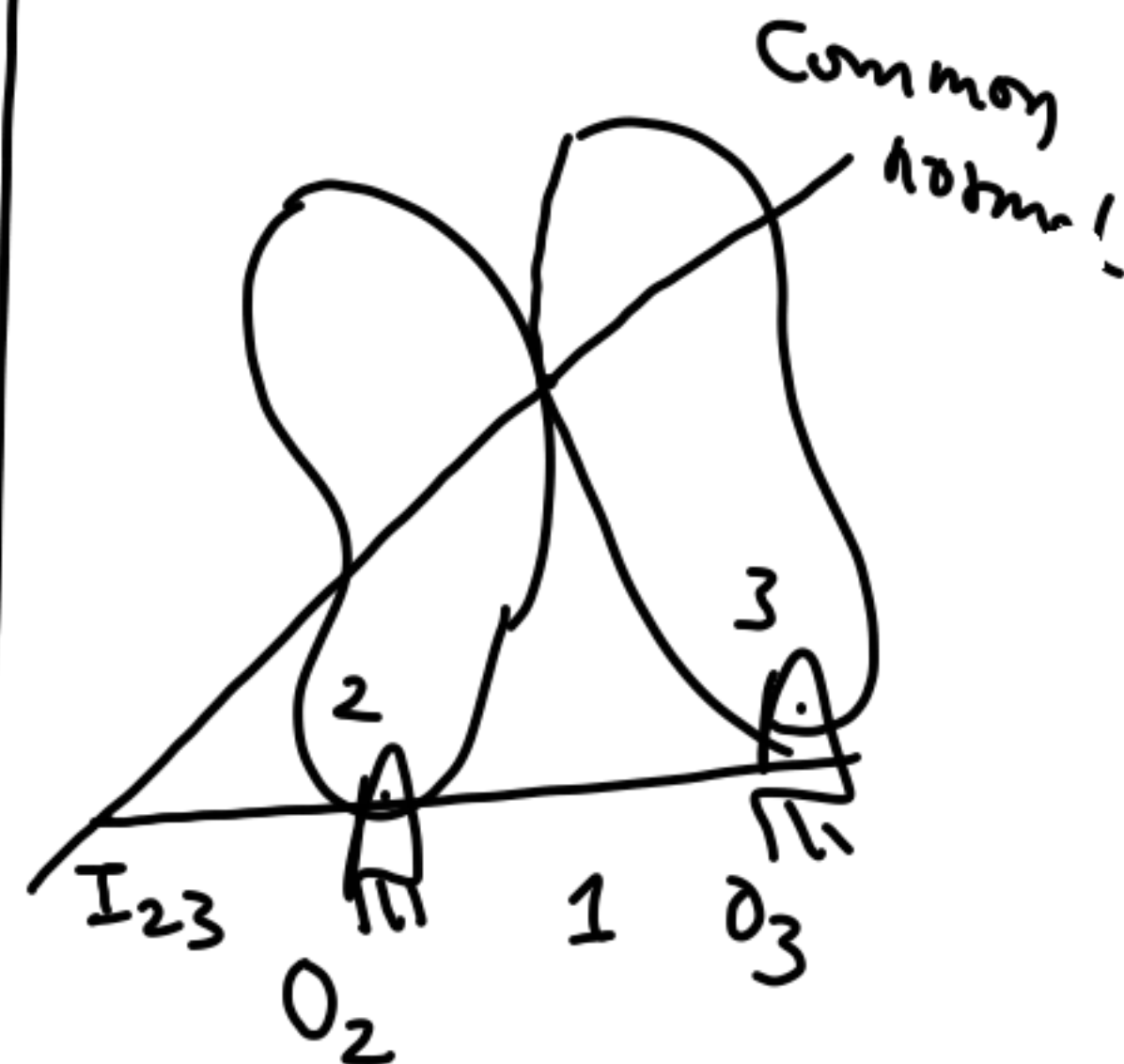
$$\therefore r_b \geq -f'(\theta) - f''(\theta)$$

Base circle radius

Translation profile of follower

Imposes constraint on the base circle radius

Gears:



$$\frac{\omega_3}{\omega_2} = \frac{O_2 I_{23}}{O_3 I_{23}}$$

In gears, the point  $I_{23}$  is same  
no matter what  
the contact point is

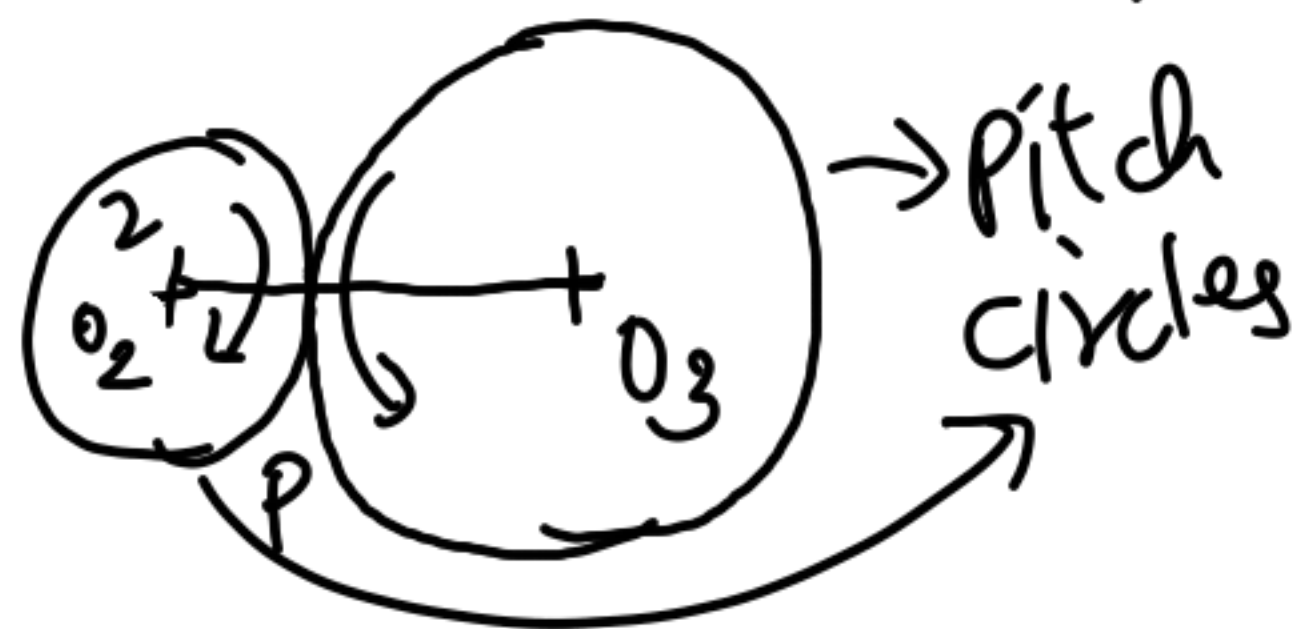


$I_{23}$  } Pitch point

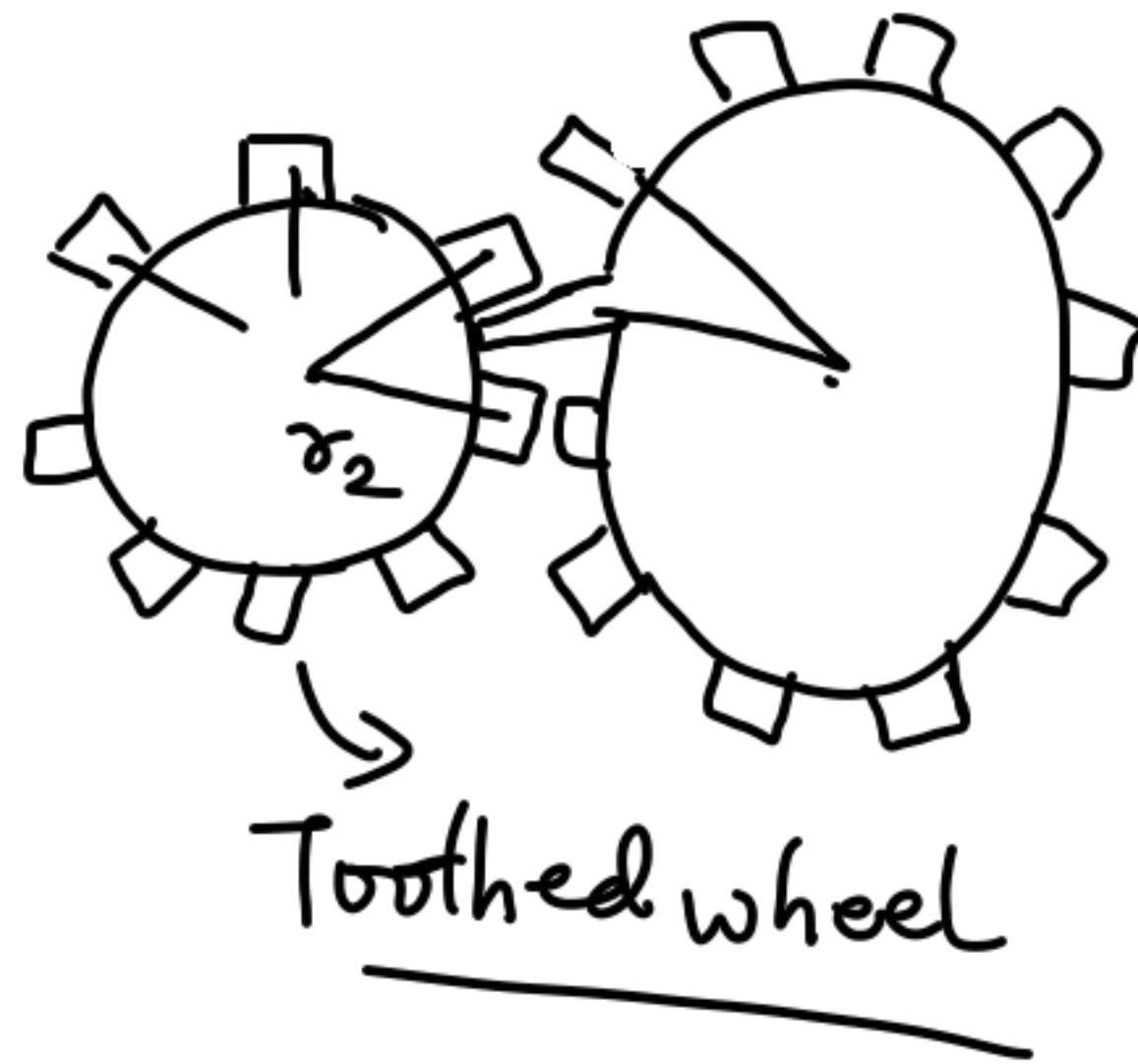
So the task is to find a suitable profile to ensure same  $I_{23}$

Process: Principle of conjugate action

One possible means (Friction disc)



In the absence of slippage, the point of contact, P is the pitch point.



Positive drive

At point P:

velocity of 2 and 3 are same.

$$V_P^{(2)} = \omega_2 r_2$$

$$V_P^{(3)} = \omega_3 r_3$$

Since  
 $V_p^{(2)} = V_p^{(3)}$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_2 r_2 = \omega_3 r_3$$

$$\frac{\omega_3}{\omega_2} = \left( -\frac{r_2}{r_3} \right)$$

→ Speed ratio

- Sign indicates that the dir'n of wheels are opposite w.r.t each other

Relation between number of teeth of 2 and 3

Module (m)

$$= \frac{\text{Diameter of Pitch circle}}{\text{Number of teeth}}$$

$$\text{Circular Pitch (p}_c\text{)} = \frac{\text{Circumference of Pitch circle}}{\text{No. of teeth}}$$

$$p_c = \frac{\pi d}{\text{No. of teeth}}$$

$$p_c = \pi m$$

For the two teeth to be Consistent or meshing properly

Circular pitch or module have to be same.

For Gears also,

module is same for any two meshing gears

m has units of length.

