

Gears

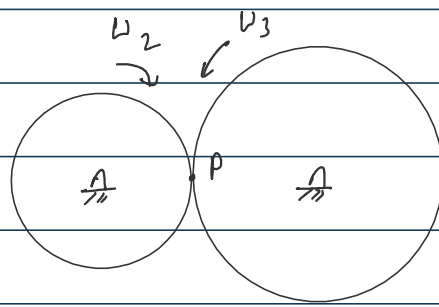
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=> Law of Gearing (principle of conjugate action):

$$\frac{\omega_3}{\omega_2} = \frac{O_2 I_{23}}{O_3 I_{23}} \quad I_{23} \text{ i.e. pitch point should remain same.}$$

↳ speed ratio

One option:



If no slippage occurs,

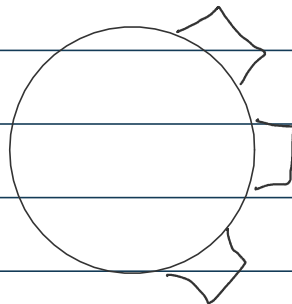
$$\omega_2 r_2 = \omega_3 r_3$$

$$P \equiv I_{23}$$

Input: pinion

Output: gear

Modification:



Use toothed wheels.

$$m = \frac{\text{Diameter of wheel}}{\text{No of teeth}} \quad (\text{module})$$

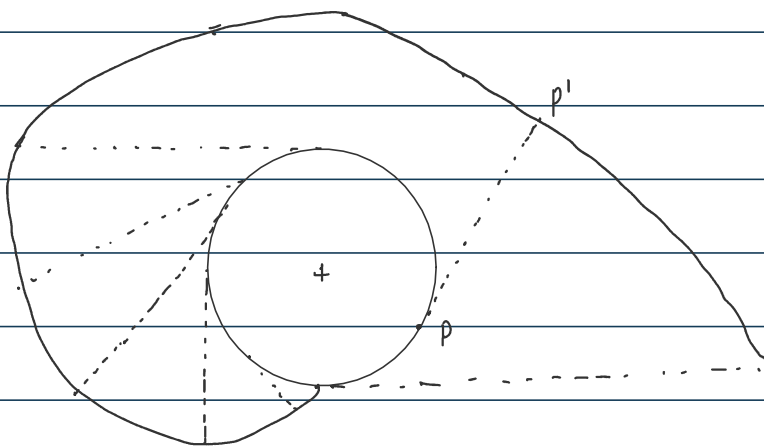
$$\text{circular pitch } (p_c) = \frac{\text{Circumference of pitch circle}}{\text{No. of teeth}} = \pi m$$

$$p_c = \pi m$$

For the two gear teeth to be consistent i.e. mesh properly, p_c or m must be same.

In general, law of gearing is not satisfied for any general tooth profile.

Involute profile: (Engineering curve)



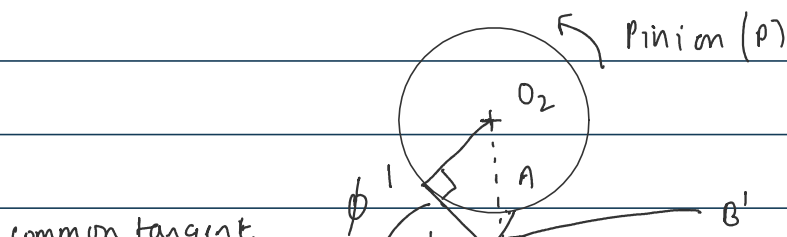
Properties: $PP' \perp$ to involute at P' .

PP' tangent to base circle at P .

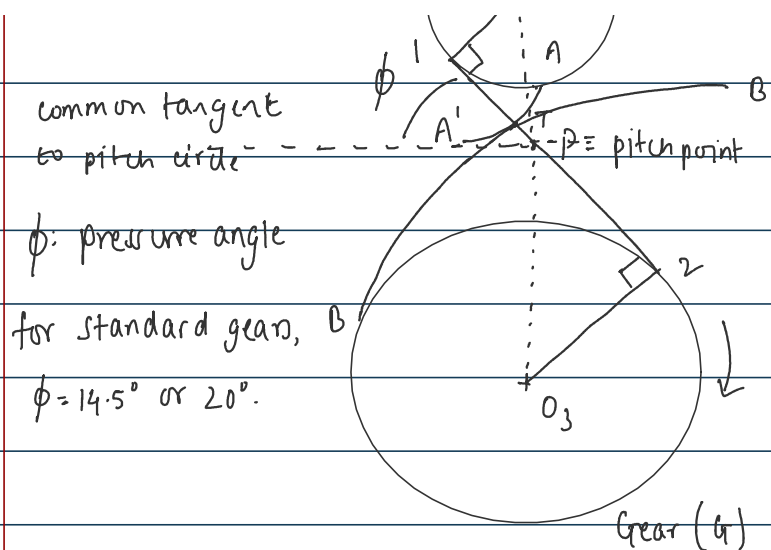
During construction, string undergoes rotation and translation.

As per the construction, string rotates clockwise.

Consider two involutes



At every instant of contact between involutes, point of contact lies on



Since O_1O_2 and common tangent are fixed in space. i.e. their intersection (the pitch point) is fixed.

\therefore Involute satisfy the law of gearing.

$$\therefore \omega_2 (O_2P) = -\omega_3 (O_3P) \quad - : \text{indicating opposite sense of rotation.}$$

$$O_2P : r_p \quad O_3P : r_g$$

$$\therefore O_2O_3 = r_p + r_g \quad P: \text{pinion, } G: \text{gear}$$

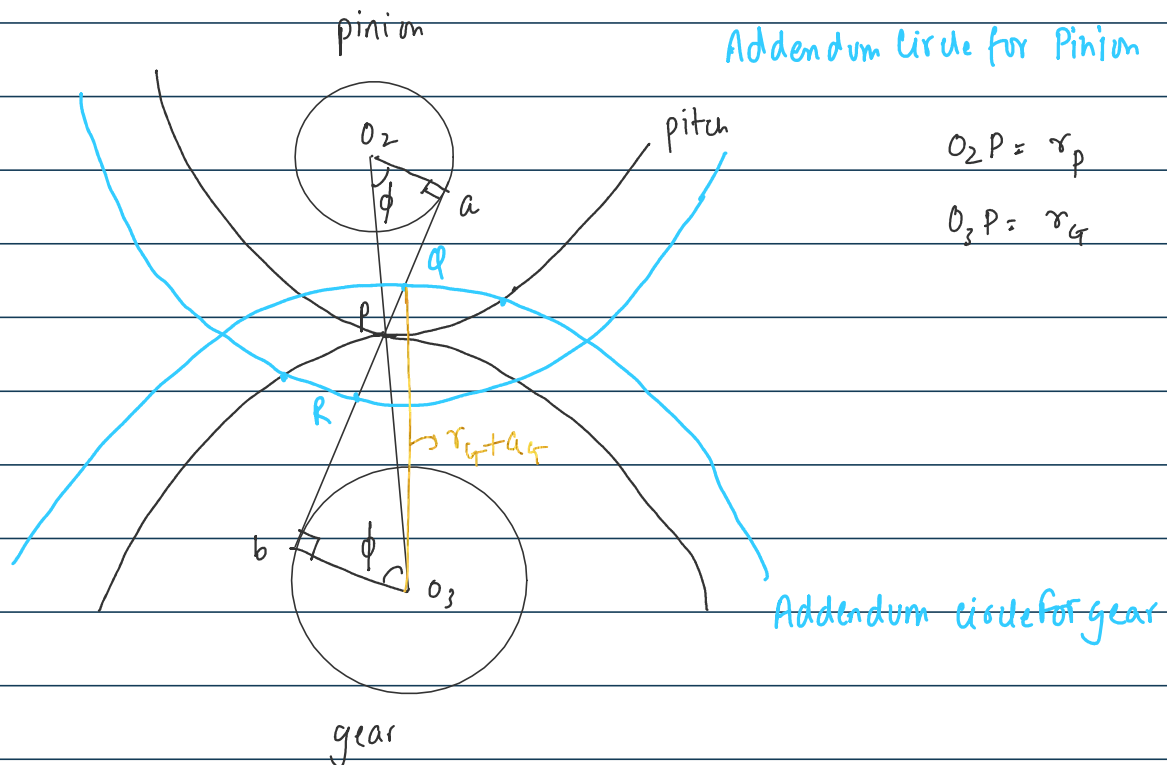
r_p, r_g : pitch radius.

$$O_2A = O_2P \cos \phi$$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{array}{l} r_B^{(p)} = r_p \cos \phi \\ r_B^{(g)} = r_g \cos \phi \end{array}$$

\Rightarrow Relⁿ b/w base circle and pitch circle radii.

⇒ Length of Action (Z) :



Intersection of common tangent with the addendum circles leads to the length of action.

$$Z = QR = \sqrt{(r_g + a_g)^2 - r_g^2 \cos^2 \phi} + \sqrt{(r_p + a_p)^2 - r_p^2 \cos^2 \phi} - (r_g + r_p) \sin \phi = Qb + Ra - (Pb + Pa)$$

$$\text{Contact Ratio} = \frac{Z}{\text{circular pitch on base circle}}$$

$$= \frac{Z}{p_b}$$

$$= \frac{z}{2\pi r_g^b / N_g}$$

By default : $a_g = a_p$

All length dimensions are expressed as multiples of module "m".

$$a_g = a_p = fm \quad f \text{ is a real no.}$$

Limiting values of the addendum correspond to ϕ & R coinciding with a and b respectively.

Since $r_g > r_p$ (in general), & $a_g = a_p$,

ϕ will coincide with a before R coincides with b .

$$(r_g + a_g) \leq (O_3 a) = \sqrt{(r_g + r_p)^2 \sin^2 \phi + r_g^2 \cos^2 \phi}$$

$$a_g \leq \sqrt{(r_g + r_p)^2 \sin^2 \phi - r_g^2 \cos^2 \phi} - r_g$$

$$a_g = fm = f \cdot \frac{2r_g}{N_g} = f \cdot \frac{2r_p}{N_p}$$

$$\frac{2f r_g}{N_g} \leq \sqrt{r_g^2 \left(1 + \frac{r_p}{r_g}\right)^2 - r_g^2 \cos^2 \phi} - 1$$

$$N_G \geq \frac{2f}{\left\{ \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{r_p}{r_g}\right)^2 \sin^2 \phi} + \frac{2r_p}{r_g} - 1 \right\}}$$

Case of Rack and Pinion:

$$(a_g + r_g) \leq \sqrt{r_g^2 + (r_p^2 + 2r_p r_g) \sin^2 \phi}$$

$$(a_g + r_g)^2 \leq r_g^2 + (r_p^2 + 2r_p r_g) \sin^2 \phi$$

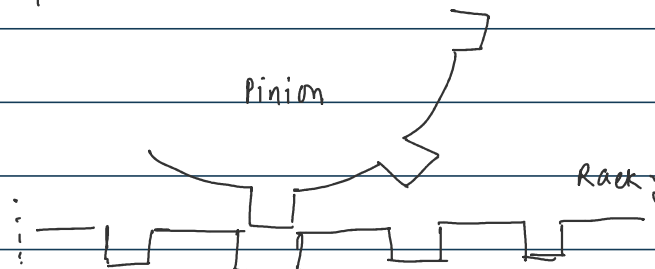
$$a_g^2 + 2a_g r_g \leq r_p^2 \sin^2 \phi + 2r_p r_g \sin^2 \phi$$

$$\left(\frac{a_g}{r_g}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{a_g}{r_g}\right) \leq \left(\frac{r_p}{r_g}\right)^2 \sin^2 \phi + 2\left(\frac{r_p}{r_g}\right) \sin^2 \phi$$

$$\frac{a_g}{r_g} = \frac{f m}{r_g} = \frac{f \cdot 2r_g}{N_g r_g} = \frac{2f}{N_g} \quad \frac{r_p}{r_g} = \frac{N_p}{N_g}$$

$$\frac{4f^2}{N_g} + 4f \leq \frac{N_p^2}{N_g} + 2N_p \sin^2 \phi$$

Special case :



$$r_g \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{i.e.} \quad N_g \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$\therefore 4f \leq 2Np \sin^2 \phi$$

$$N_p \geq \frac{2f}{\sin^2 \phi}$$

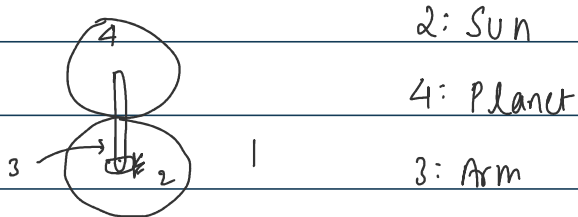
If not satisfied, we have "interference".

Note: Even if we change center to center distance O_2O_3 , we will have conjugate action. However, ϕ, r_g, r_p, z will change accordingly.

Changing O_2O_3 is one way to avoid interference. Another way is to use unequal addendum $a_p \neq a_g$. However, standard gears may not have this option.

\Rightarrow Gear Train :

\rightarrow Epicyclic gear train (Planetary):



If arm is fixed, we recover simple gear train.

Speed ratio:

Arm fixed:
$$\frac{\omega_4}{\omega_2} = \frac{-N_2}{N_4}$$

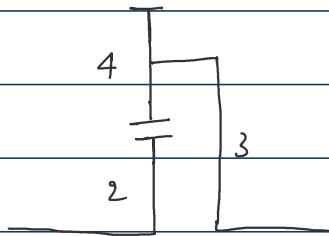
Arm is rotating: (shift to the frame of arm to get)

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

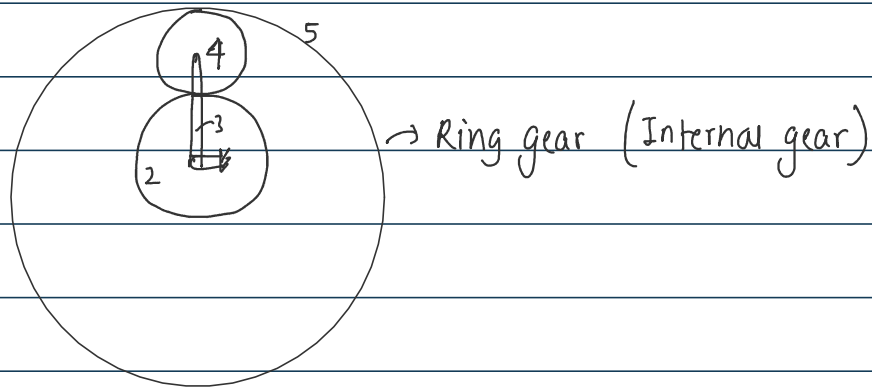
Special case: Sun is fixed. ($\omega_2 = 0$).

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

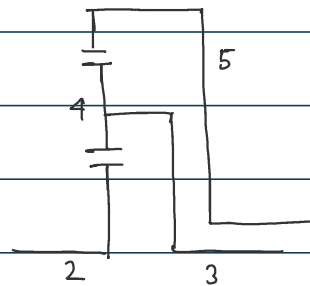
Schematic representation:



Common Arrangement:

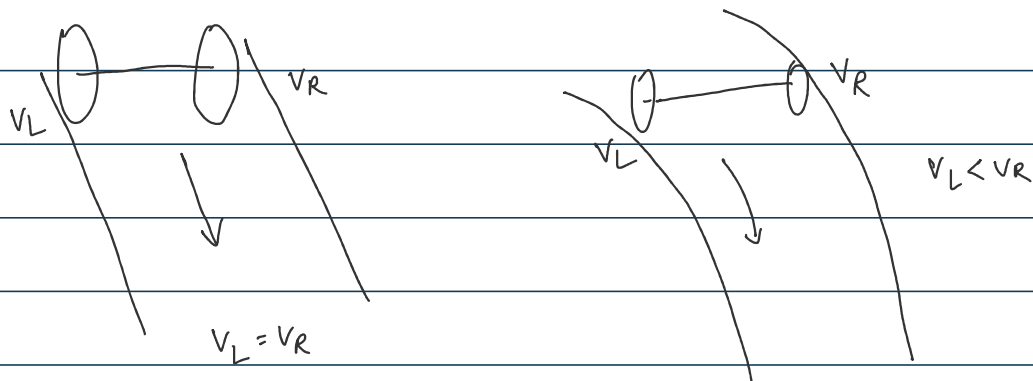


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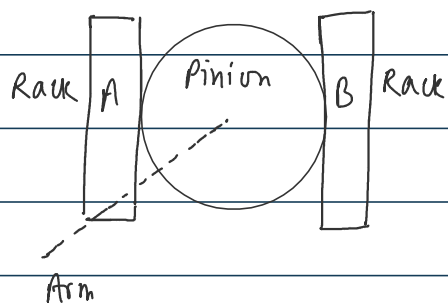


Applications of Epicyclic gear trains:

Differential : Used in 4 wheelers to modify the speeds of rear wheels when the vehicle takes a turn.



(i) If arm is pushed downwards,



① If arm is pushed downwards, since both racks are engaged with the pinion, the entire arrangement will move downwards.

② If A is held in place with a force, the pinion rotates clockwise downwards and rack B moves further downwards relative to the pinion.

Thus this arrangement allows for having different velocities at A and B.