

Classical Mechanics : : Homework 09

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Problem 01

(a)

For the first particle in position $\theta = \Omega t$.

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F}_{\text{cor}}(\theta) &= -2m\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}(t) = -2m\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\Omega} \times \vec{R}(t)) \\ &= -2m(\omega\hat{z}) \times (\Omega\vec{y} \times [R\cos\theta\hat{x} + R\sin\theta\hat{z}]) \\ &= -2m\omega\hat{z} \times (\Omega R\cos\theta(-\hat{z}) + \Omega R\sin\theta(\hat{x})) \\ &= 2m\omega\hat{z} \times (\Omega R\cos\theta\hat{z} - \Omega R\sin\theta\hat{x}) \\ &= 2m\omega\Omega R\sin\theta(\hat{y})\end{aligned}$$

For the second particle is $\vec{F}_{\text{cor}}(\theta + \pi)$. $\vec{F}_{\text{cor}} = 2m\omega\Omega R\sin(\omega)\hat{y}$

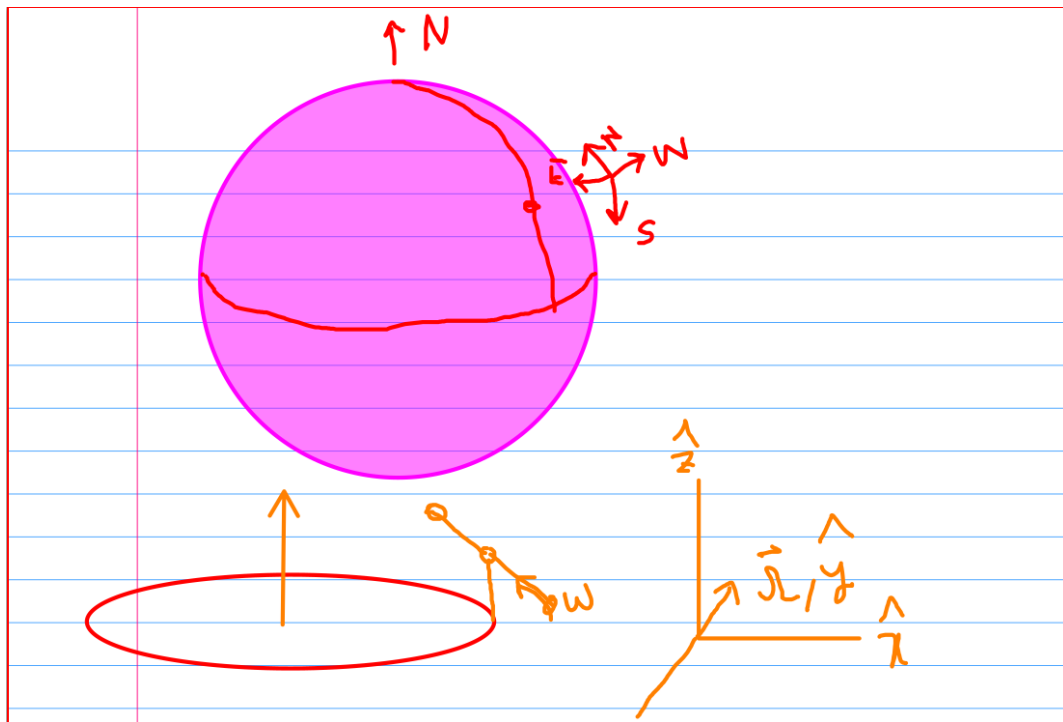


Figure 1: ./ss/9/2.png

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\tau} &= \vec{R}_1 \times \vec{F}_1 + \vec{R}_2 \times \vec{F}_2 \\ &= (R \cos \theta \hat{x} + R \sin \theta \hat{z}) \times (2m\omega\Omega R \sin \theta \hat{y}) + (-R \cos \theta \hat{x} - R \sin \theta \hat{z}) \times (-2m\omega\Omega R \sin \theta \hat{y}) \\ &= [(4m\omega\Omega R^2) (\cos \theta \hat{x} \times \sin \theta \hat{y} + \sin \theta \hat{z} \times \sin \theta \hat{y})] \\ &= 4m\omega\Omega R^2 (\cos \theta \sin \theta \hat{z} - \sin^2 \theta \hat{x})\end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\tau} &= 4m\omega\Omega R^2 (\cos \theta \sin \theta \hat{z} - \sin^2 \theta \hat{x}) \\ \langle \vec{\tau} \rangle &= \frac{\int_0^T dt 4m\omega\Omega R^2 (\cos(\Omega t) \sin(\Omega t) \hat{z} - \sin^2(\Omega t) \hat{x})}{\int_0^T dt} \\ &= \frac{\int_0^T dt 4m\omega\Omega R^2 (\cos(\Omega t) \sin(\Omega t) \hat{z} - \sin^2(\Omega t) \hat{x})}{\int_0^T dt} \quad (T = 2\pi/\Omega) \\ &= 4m\omega\Omega R^2 \frac{\left[\hat{z} \int_0^T dt \cos(\Omega t) \sin(\Omega t) - \hat{x} \int_0^T dt \sin^2(\Omega t) \right]}{2\pi/\Omega} \\ &= 4m\omega\Omega R^2 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \hat{x} \right) \\ &= -2m\omega\Omega R^2 \hat{x}\end{aligned}$$

(d)

New coordinate system where \hat{y} faces the south. And solving for unit mass

$$\vec{\omega} = \cos(90^\circ - \lambda) \hat{z} - \sin(90^\circ - \lambda) \hat{y} = \sin(\lambda) \hat{z} - \cos(\lambda) \hat{y}$$

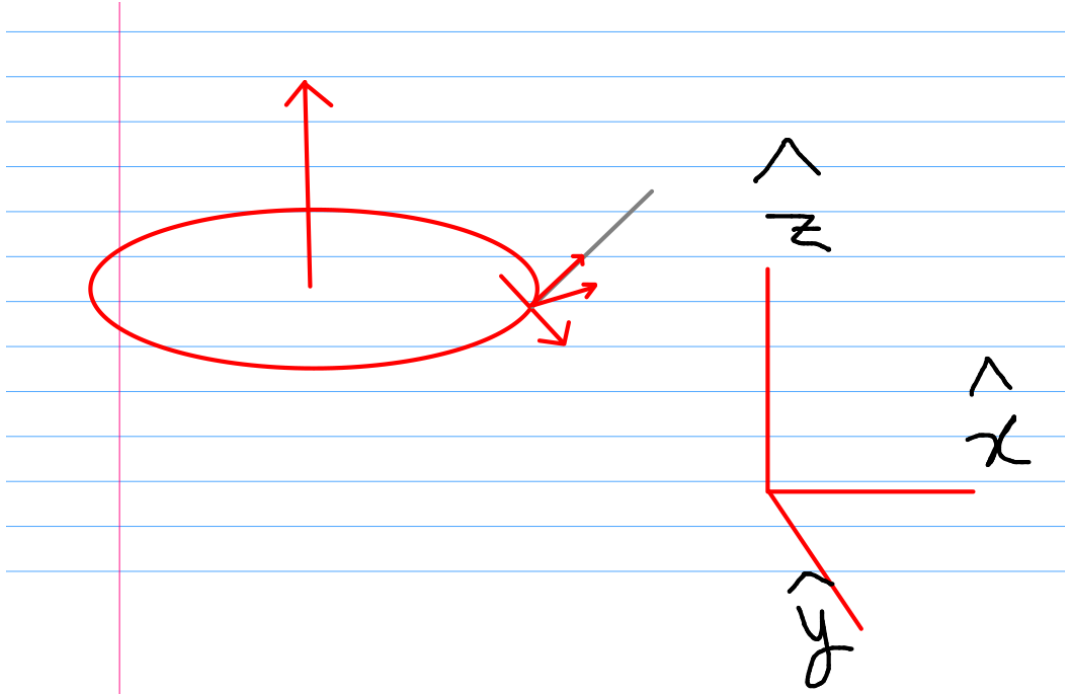


Figure 2: .ss/9/3.png

Coriolis force

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{F} &= -2\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} \\
 &= -2\omega (\sin(\lambda)\hat{z} - \cos(\lambda)\hat{y}) \times (\vec{\Omega} \times \vec{R}) \\
 &= -2\omega (\sin(\lambda)\hat{z} - \cos(\lambda)\hat{y}) \times (\Omega\hat{y} \times [R\cos(\theta)\hat{x} + R\sin(\theta)\hat{z}]) \\
 &= -2\omega (\sin(\lambda)\hat{z} - \cos(\lambda)\hat{y}) \times \Omega R (\cos(\theta)\hat{z} - \sin(\theta)\hat{x}) \\
 &= -2\omega \Omega R (\sin(\lambda)\hat{z} - \cos(\lambda)\hat{y}) \times (\cos(\theta)\hat{z} - \sin(\theta)\hat{x}) \\
 &= -2\omega \Omega R [(\cos(\lambda)\cos(\theta)\hat{x}) + (-\sin(\lambda)\sin(\theta)(-\hat{y}) + \cos(\lambda)\sin(\theta)(\hat{z}))] \\
 &= -2\omega \Omega R [\cos(\lambda)\cos(\theta)\hat{x} + \sin(\lambda)\sin(\theta)\hat{y} + \cos(\lambda)\sin(\theta)\hat{z}]
 \end{aligned}$$

Torque on single object

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{\tau} &= \vec{R} \times \vec{F} \\
 &= (R\cos(\theta)\hat{x} + R\sin(\theta)\hat{z}) \times \vec{F} \\
 &= -2\omega \Omega R^2 [-\sin\lambda \sin\theta \cos\theta \hat{z} + \cos\lambda \sin\theta \cos\theta \hat{y} - \cos\lambda \sin\theta \cos\theta \hat{y} + \sin\lambda \sin^2\theta \hat{x}] \\
 &= 2\omega \Omega R^2 [\sin\lambda \sin\theta \cos\theta \hat{z} - \cos\lambda \sin\theta \cos\theta \hat{y} + \cos\lambda \sin\theta \cos\theta \hat{y} - \sin\lambda \sin^2\theta \hat{x}] \\
 &= 2\omega \Omega R^2 [\sin\lambda \sin\theta \cos\theta \hat{z} - \sin\lambda \sin^2\theta \hat{x}] \\
 \langle \vec{\tau} \rangle &= -\omega \Omega R^2 \sin\lambda \hat{x}
 \end{aligned}$$

For two particle, symmetrically we will end up with (considering mass)

$$\langle \vec{\tau} \rangle = -2\omega \Omega R^2 \sin\lambda \hat{x}$$

(e)

The average torque can be measured for various orientations of the rotating axis. Giving between $2\omega\Omega R^2$ to $2\omega\Omega R^2 \sin \lambda$. The maximum gives use the idea of where the west-east line lies and minimum gives idea of north-south line.

Then taking care of the direction $-\hat{x}$ we can directly see where the true north is (using similar directions as in the attached figure).

Problem 02

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt} (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})_{\text{fix}} &= \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \cdot \vec{B} \right)_{\text{fix}} + \left(\vec{A} \cdot \frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{fix}} \\ \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{fix}} &= \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rot}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{A} \\ \left(\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{fix}} &= \left(\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rot}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{B}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})_{\text{fix}} &= \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \cdot \vec{B} \right)_{\text{fix}} + \left(\vec{A} \cdot \frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{fix}} = \left[\left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rot}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{A} \right] \cdot \vec{B} + \left[\left(\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rot}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{B} \right] \cdot \vec{A} \\ &= \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rot}} \cdot \vec{B} + \left(\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rot}} \cdot \vec{A} + [(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{B} + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{A}] \\ &\quad \text{(check appendix for why third term is zero)} \\ &= \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rot}} \cdot \vec{B} + \left(\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rot}} \cdot \vec{A} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})_{\text{rot}}\end{aligned}$$

(b)

Recycling what we had above, using $\vec{C} = \vec{A} \times \vec{B}$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d\vec{C}}{dt} \right)_{\text{fixed}} &= \left(\left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rotating}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{A} \right) \times \vec{B} + \vec{A} \times \left(\left(\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rotating}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{B} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rotating}} \times \vec{B} + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \times \vec{B} + \vec{A} \times \left(\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rotating}} + \vec{A} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B}) \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rotating}} \times \vec{B} + \vec{A} \times \left(\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rotating}} \right] + [(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \times \vec{B} + \vec{A} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B})] \\ &= \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rotating}} \times \vec{B} + \vec{A} \times \left(\frac{d\vec{B}}{dt} \right)_{\text{rotating}} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) \quad (\text{check appendix for proof}) \\ &= \left(\frac{d}{dt} \vec{A} \times \vec{B} \right)_{\text{rotating}} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) \\ &= \left(\frac{d}{dt} \vec{C} \right)_{\text{rotating}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{C} \end{aligned}$$

So vectors abide by the laws of rotation.

Problem 03

In a steady rotational frame, intuitively speaking rough - the position dependent force is *Centrifugal Force* and velocity dependent forces are *Coriolis Force*.

(a)

Consider no force of magnetic field now. Then all the fictitious forces where \vec{r} is measured in rotating frame

$$\vec{F} = m\ddot{\vec{r}} = \vec{F}_{\text{outside}} - 2m\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} - m\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})$$

Now including magnetic force

$$\vec{v}_{\text{lab}} = \vec{v}_{\text{rot}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}$$

$$\vec{F}_B = -q\vec{v}_{\text{lab}} \times \vec{B} = -q(\vec{v}_{\text{rot}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) \times \vec{B}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{F} = m\ddot{\vec{r}} = -2m\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}_{\text{rot}} - m\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) - q(\vec{v}_{\text{rot}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) \times \vec{B}}$$

(b)

Substituting $q = 2m\omega/B$ yields

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F} &= -2m\omega v \left[\hat{z} \times \hat{v} \right] - m\omega^2 r \left[\hat{z} \times (\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \right] - \left(\frac{2m\omega}{B} \right) \left[(vB)\hat{v} \times \hat{z} + (\omega r B)(\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \times \hat{z} \right] \\ &= -2m\omega v \left[\hat{z} \times \hat{v} \right] - m\omega^2 r \left[\hat{z} \times (\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \right] - 2m\omega v \left[\hat{v} \times \hat{z} \right] + 2m\omega^2 r \left[\hat{z} \times (\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \right] \\ &= m\omega^2 r \left[\hat{z} \times (\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \right] \qquad (\vec{A} \times (\vec{B} \times \vec{C}) = (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{C})\vec{B} - (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B})\vec{C}) \\ &= -m\omega^2 r \left[(\hat{z} \cdot \hat{z})\hat{r} \right] \\ &= -m\omega^2 \vec{r}\end{aligned}$$

This leaves us with

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} + \omega^2 \vec{r} = 0$$

This is a simple harmonic equation, Yippie! Please note that this equation holds in the rotational frame.

Details on shape: Equilibrium is established at $r = 0$ hence establishing the center of the turntable to be the center. Two component solution

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{x} + \omega^2 x &= 0 \implies x = x_0 \sin(\omega t + \phi_x) \\ \ddot{y} + \omega^2 y &= 0 \implies y = y_0 \sin(\omega t + \phi_y)\end{aligned}$$

This is the very beautiful *Lissayous Curves*!

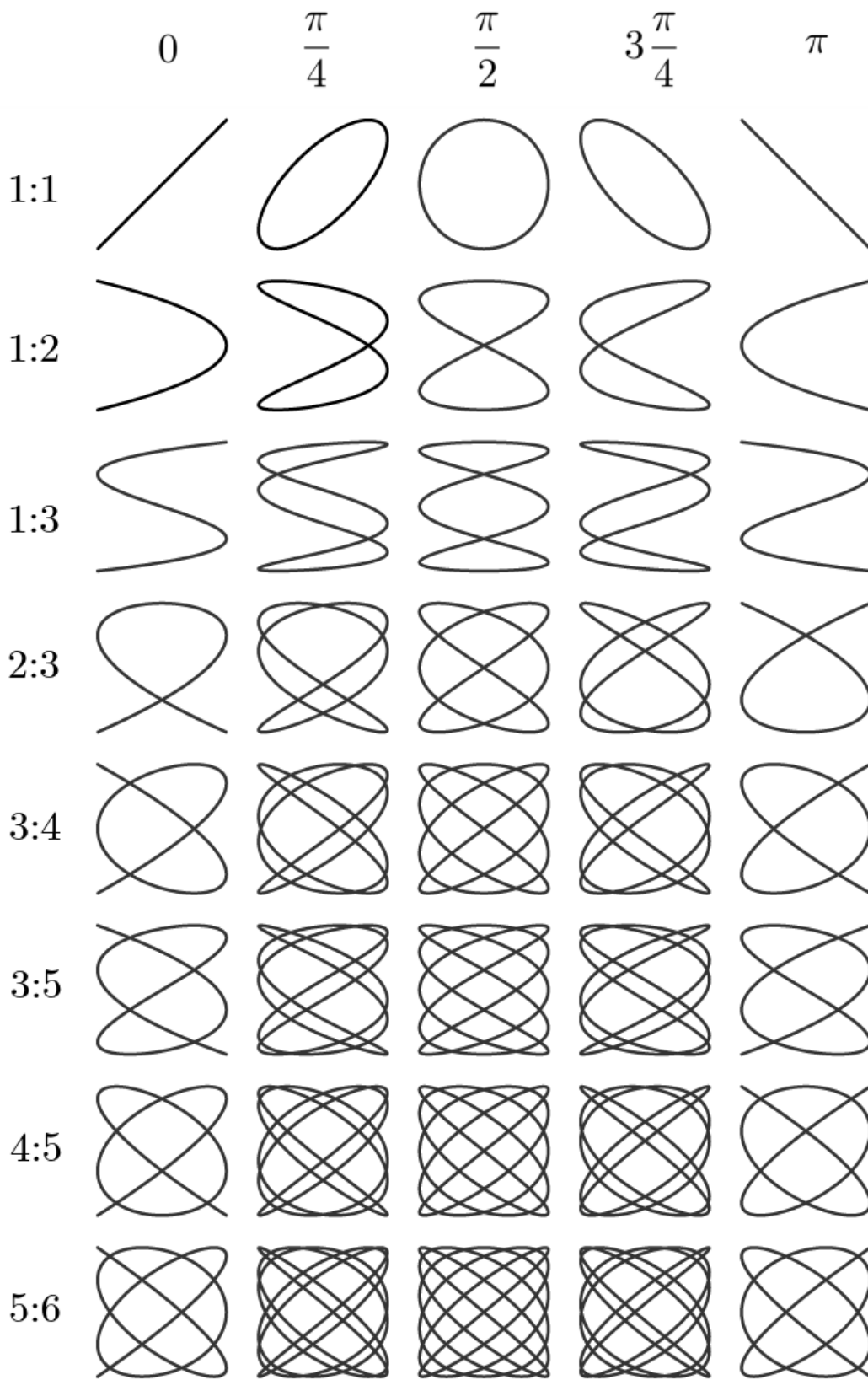


Figure 3: Ratio of $x_0 : y_0$ versus the phase difference $|\phi_x - \phi_y|$

(c)

For half as large q we end up with

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F} &= -2m\omega v \left[\hat{z} \times \hat{v} \right] - m\omega^2 r \left[\hat{z} \times (\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \right] - \left(\frac{m\omega}{B} \right) \left[(vB)\hat{v} \times \hat{z} + (\omega r B)(\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \times \hat{z} \right] \\ &= -2m\omega v \left[\hat{z} \times \hat{v} \right] - m\omega^2 r \left[\hat{z} \times (\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \right] - (m\omega v) \left[\hat{v} \times \hat{z} \right] - (m\omega^2 r) \left[(\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \times \hat{z} \right] \\ &= -2m\omega v \left[\hat{z} \times \hat{v} \right] - m\omega^2 r \left[\hat{z} \times (\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \right] + (m\omega v) \left[\hat{z} \times \hat{v} \right] + (m\omega^2 r) \left[\hat{z} \times (\hat{z} \times \hat{r}) \right] \\ &= -2m\omega v \left[\hat{z} \times \hat{v} \right] + (m\omega v) \left[\hat{z} \times \hat{v} \right] \\ &= -m\omega v \left[\hat{z} \times \hat{v} \right] \\ &= -m\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}\end{aligned}$$

$$\left. \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \right|_{\text{rot}} = -\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} = (\vec{\Omega}) \times \vec{v}$$

So technically in the rotating frame we see the particle itself rotating in $\vec{\Omega} = -\vec{\omega}$

$$\boxed{r_0 = \frac{v_0}{\omega}}$$

Problem 04

Total force on any particle

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F}/m &= -2\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} + \vec{g} \\ &= -2(\omega(-\hat{y}) \times v_x \hat{x} + \omega(-\hat{y}) \times v_z \hat{z}) - g\hat{z} \\ &= 2(\omega\hat{y} \times v_x \hat{x} + \omega\hat{y} \times v_z \hat{z}) - g\hat{z} \\ &= 2(\omega v_x(-\hat{z}) + \omega v_z \hat{x}) - g\hat{z} \\ &= (-2\omega v_x - g)\hat{z} + \omega v_z \hat{x} \\ \ddot{x} &= \omega \dot{z} & \implies \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = \omega \frac{dz}{dt} \\ \ddot{z} &= -2\omega \dot{x} - g & \implies \frac{d^2 z}{dt^2} = -2\omega \frac{dx}{dt} - g\end{aligned}$$

Solve the first differential equation

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} &= \omega \frac{dz}{dt} \\ \text{or, } \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right) &= \frac{d}{dt} (\omega z + c) \\ \text{or, } \frac{dx}{dt} &= \omega z + c \\ \text{now, } \frac{d^2z}{dt^2} &= -2\omega \frac{dx}{dt} - g \\ \text{or, } \frac{d^2z}{dt^2} &= -2\omega^2 z - g + d\end{aligned}$$

So setting $z = A \sin(\sqrt{2}\omega t + \phi) + (K)$ gives us

$$\frac{d^2z}{dt^2} = -2\omega^2 \left(A \sin(\sqrt{2}\omega t + \phi) \right) = -2\omega^2(z - K) = -2\omega^2 z + 2\omega^2 K \implies K = \frac{-g + d}{2\omega^2}$$

For first order considering $\omega^2 \sim 0$.

$$\ddot{x} = \omega \dot{z} \qquad \ddot{z} = -g$$

So the deviation

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta x &= v_{0,x} - \omega v_{0,z} t^2 - \frac{1}{3} \omega g t^3 \\ \Delta z &= \Delta z_{\text{cor}} + \Delta z_g = v_{0,z} t - \omega v_{0,x} t^2 - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 \\ \implies \text{implying condition } \Delta z &= 0 \implies (v_{0,z} - \omega v_{0,x} t - \frac{1}{2} g t) = 0 \implies t = \frac{v_{0,z}}{\omega v_{0,x} + g/2} \\ \Delta x &= \frac{v_{0,x} v_{0,z}}{\omega v_{0,x} + \frac{1}{2} g} + \frac{\omega v_{0,z}^3}{(\omega v_{0,x} + g/2)^2} - \frac{\omega g v_{0,z}^2}{3(\omega v_{0,x} + g/2)^3}\end{aligned}$$

Numerically solving

$$\omega = \sqrt{g/r} = \frac{1}{30} \text{ rad/s}$$

I put the whole thing for Δx in a calculator that gives numerically,

$$\Delta x = 47 \text{ m}$$

(b)

There is no sideways (\hat{y}) directional deviation for b . The coriolis force only acts along the vertical and direction of ball's motion.

(c)

There is simply a flip of signs that yields

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta z &= v_{0,z} t + \omega v_{0,x} t^2 - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 \implies t = v_{0,z} \frac{1}{g/2 - \omega v_{0,x}} \\ \Delta x &= \frac{v_{0,x} v_{0,z}}{-\omega v_{0,x} + \frac{1}{2} g} + \frac{\omega v_{0,z}^3}{(-\omega v_{0,x} + g/2)^2} - \frac{\omega g v_{0,z}^2}{3(-\omega v_{0,x} + g/2)^3} = \boxed{57.56 \text{ m}}\end{aligned}$$

(d)

Effect on height:

$$a_{\text{field}} = \omega^2 r = \text{numerically} = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Error for reaching higher altitude $h \sim 30 \text{ m}$

$$\text{error} = \frac{\omega^2(r - r_0)}{\omega^2 r} = \text{numerically} = \frac{1}{300}$$

Which is small.

Horizontal Position: The triangle formed by the horizontal deviation

$$z^2 = r_{\text{center}}^2 - r_{\text{end}}^2 \sim \text{numerically } 8999.86 \text{ m}$$

The subtended angle

$$\cos \theta = \text{numerically} \implies \theta = 0.32^\circ$$

Also negligible.

$$(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{B} = -\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B})$$

$$\vec{\omega} = (\omega_x, \omega_y, \omega_z), \quad \vec{A} = (A_x, A_y, A_z), \quad \vec{B} = (B_x, B_y, B_z).$$

$$\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \omega_x & \omega_y & \omega_z \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \end{vmatrix}.$$

$$\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A} = (\omega_y A_z - \omega_z A_y) \hat{i} - (\omega_x A_z - \omega_z A_x) \hat{j} + (\omega_x A_y - \omega_y A_x) \hat{k}.$$

$$(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{B} = (\omega_y A_z - \omega_z A_y) B_x + (-(\omega_x A_z - \omega_z A_x)) B_y + (\omega_x A_y - \omega_y A_x) B_z.$$

$$= \omega_y A_z B_x - \omega_z A_y B_x - \omega_x A_z B_y + \omega_z A_x B_y + \omega_x A_y B_z - \omega_y A_x B_z.$$

$$\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \omega_x & \omega_y & \omega_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix}.$$

$$\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B} = (\omega_y B_z - \omega_z B_y) \hat{i} - (\omega_x B_z - \omega_z B_x) \hat{j} + (\omega_x B_y - \omega_y B_x) \hat{k}.$$

$$-\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B}) = -(A_x(\omega_y B_z - \omega_z B_y) + A_y(-(\omega_x B_z - \omega_z B_x)) + A_z(\omega_x B_y - \omega_y B_x)).$$

$$= \omega_y A_z B_x - \omega_z A_y B_x - \omega_x A_z B_y + \omega_z A_x B_y + \omega_x A_y B_z - \omega_y A_x B_z.$$

Comparing the expanded expressions for

$$(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{B} \quad \text{and} \quad -\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B}),$$

we see they are identical. Therefore

$$(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{B} = -\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B}).$$

$$(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \times \vec{B} + \vec{A} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B})$$

$$(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \times \vec{B} = ((\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{B}) \vec{A} - ((\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{A}) \vec{B}.$$

$$\vec{A} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B}) = (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}) \vec{\omega} - (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\omega}) \vec{B}.$$

$$(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}) \times \vec{B} + \vec{A} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{B}) = \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{A} \times \vec{B}).$$