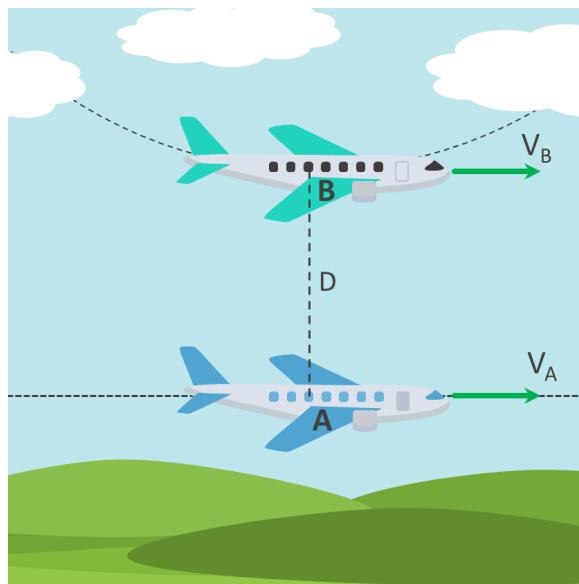


2.7.6 Aircrafts passing each other



Aircraft B is making looping's with a radius of 400m and at a constant speed of 100 m/s . Aircraft A is flying horizontally with a constant speed of 150 m/s and exactly 100m below the bottom of the looping ($D=100\text{m}$). When aircraft B is at the bottom of the loop, aircraft A passes. Determine the velocity of aircraft A seen from aircraft B in m/s .

Using known expressions:

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \frac{v_B}{r} \mathbf{k} \quad (1)$$

When defining the origin of the rotating coordinate system at point B:

$$\mathbf{v}_A = \mathbf{v}_B + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_{A/B} + \mathbf{v}_{rel} \quad (2)$$

Given:

Velocity of aircraft A: $\mathbf{v}_A = 150\mathbf{i} \text{ m/s}$.

Velocity of aircraft B: $\mathbf{v}_B = 100\mathbf{i} \text{ m/s}$.

Radius of the looping: $r = 400 \text{ m}$.

Distance between the aircraft's: $D = \mathbf{r}_{A/B} = -100\mathbf{j} \text{ m}$.

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \frac{v_B}{r} \mathbf{k} = \frac{100}{400} \mathbf{k} = 0.25\mathbf{k} \text{ rad/s.} \quad (3)$$

Filling in all the known values in equation 2:

$$150\mathbf{i} = 100\mathbf{i} + 0.25\mathbf{k} \times (100\mathbf{j}) + \mathbf{v}_{rel} \quad (4)$$

Solving for \mathbf{v}_{rel} gives $\mathbf{v}_{rel} = 25\mathbf{i}$ m/s