

# VP160 Recitation Class IV

## Non-inertial FoR

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## Recall

The non-inertial FoR is a frame of reference that is not in a linear motion with uniform velocity relative to an inertial frame of reference.

## Basic Formula

$$\vec{a}' = \vec{a} - \vec{a}'_O - \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r}' - 2(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}') - \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}')$$

$$m\vec{a}' = \vec{F} - m\vec{a}'_O - m\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r}' - 2m(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}') - m\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}')$$

How to derive the formula?

## Recall

Newton's Second Law doesn't hold in non-inertial FoR. To describe the motion in non-inertial FoR, we need to add the forces of inertia (pseudo-forces) into "Newton's Second Law" in non-inertial FoR.

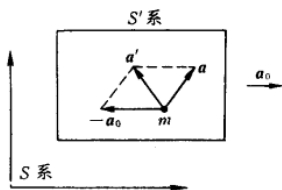
Add  $\mathbf{F}_{\text{Unreal}}$ :

$$\mathbf{F}' = \mathbf{F}_{\text{Real}} + \mathbf{F}_{\text{Unreal}}$$

to maintain the "Newton's Second Law" in non-inertial FoR:

$$\mathbf{F}' = m\mathbf{a}'$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{\text{Unreal}} = -m\mathbf{a}'_O - m\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r}' - 2m(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}') - m\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}')$$

Drift “Force”  $-m\vec{a}_{O'}$ 

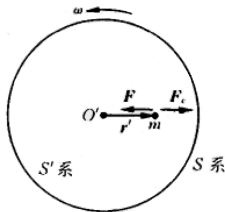
Newton's Second Law in inertia FoR  $S$ :

$$\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$$

Acceleration in non-inertial FoR  $S'$ :

$$\mathbf{a}' = \mathbf{a} + (-\mathbf{a}_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{F}' = m\mathbf{a}' = m\mathbf{a} + m(-\mathbf{a}_0) = \mathbf{F} + m(-\mathbf{a}_0)$$

Centrifugal “Force”  $-m\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}')$ 

Uniform circular motion in  $S$  :

$$\mathbf{a} = -\omega^2 \mathbf{r}', \quad \mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a} = -m\omega^2 \mathbf{r}'$$

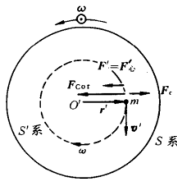
In  $S'$ :

$$\mathbf{a}' = 0, \quad \mathbf{F}' = m\mathbf{a}' = 0$$

Thus, we need

$$\mathbf{F}_c = m\omega^2 \mathbf{r}' \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{F}' = \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{F}_c = 0$$

# Coriolis “Force” $-2m(\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}')$



$m$  stays still in  $S$ :

$$\mathbf{F} = 0$$

$m$  moves in a uniform circular motion in  $S'$ :

$$\mathbf{a}' = -\omega^2 \mathbf{r}', \quad \mathbf{F}' = m\mathbf{a}' = -m\omega^2 \mathbf{r}'$$

Thus, we need (Don't forget the centrifugal force we added)

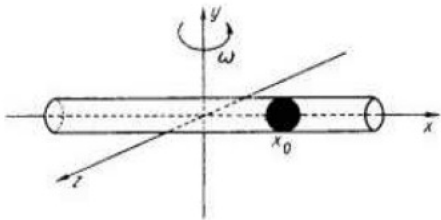
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}_{\text{Cor}} = -2m\omega^2 \mathbf{r}' \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{F}' = \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{F}_c + \mathbf{F}_{\text{Cor}} &= 0 + m\omega^2 \mathbf{r}' + (-2m\omega^2 \mathbf{r}') \\ &= m\mathbf{a}' \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Euler "force"} = m \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r}'$$

- Need to be considered when  $\omega$  is time-variant.
- Also called Tangential inertial forces.
- Conventionally, we use  $\vec{\beta}$  to denote the angular acceleration  $\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt}$ .

## Exercise 1

A particle with mass  $m$  is inside a pipe that rotates with constant angular velocity  $\omega$  about an axis perpendicular to the pipe. The kinetic coefficient of friction is equal to  $\mu_k$ . Write down (do not solve!) the equation of motion for this particle in the non-inertial frame of reference of the rotating pipe. There is no gravitational force in this problem.





## Exercise 2

If we let go an object  $100m$  above the equator. Ignore the air drag, calculate the deviation caused by Coriolis Force.

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