

# Computational Physics

## Unit 3

Kinematics of particles, assumptions, Cartesian, Cylindrical and Spherical frames, and motion of particles in them. Translation and rotation of rigid bodies in 2D – Translation and rotation of rigid bodies in 3D.

# Introduction

Kinematics: is the branch of dynamics which describes the motion of bodies *without* reference to the forces that either causes the motion or are generated as a result of the motion.

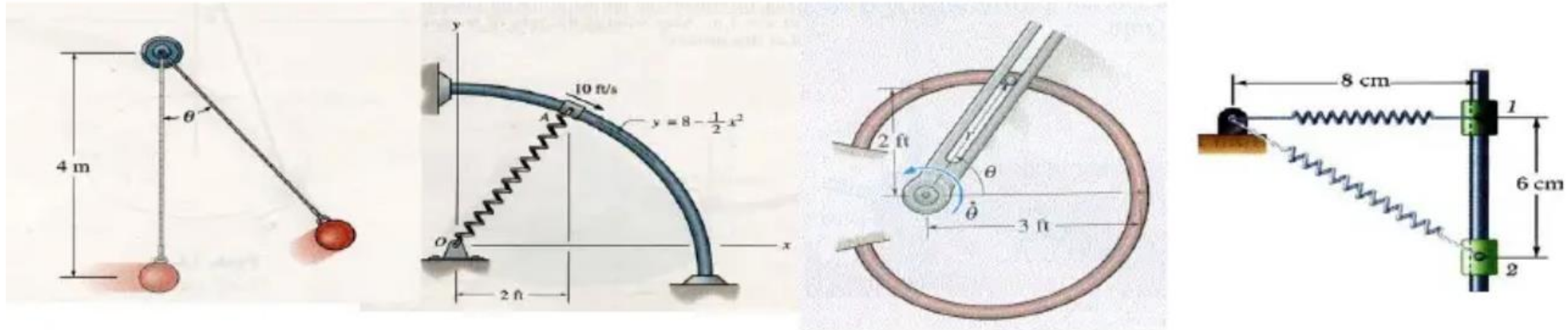
- Kinematics is often referred to as the "geometry of motion"

Examples of *kinematics problems* that engage the attention of engineers.

- The design of *cams, gears, linkages*, and other *machine elements* to control or produce certain desired motions, and
- The calculation of flight trajectory for *aircraft, rockets* and *spacecraft*.

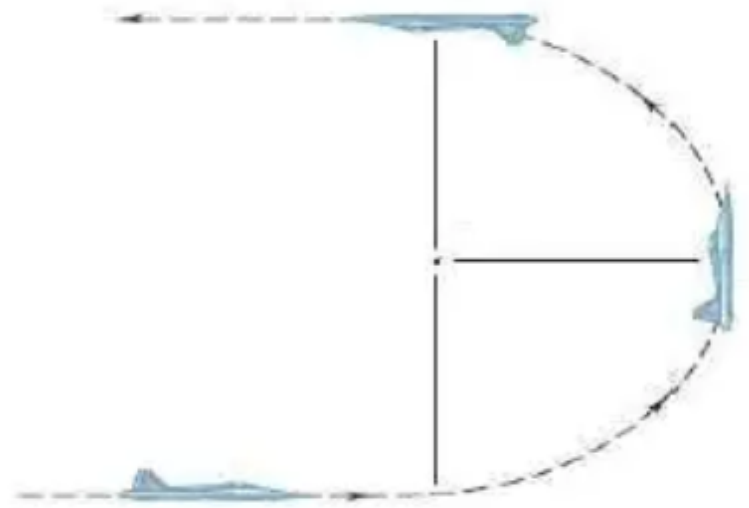
- If the particle is *confined* to a *specified path*, as with a bead sliding along a fixed wire, its motion is said to be *Constrained*.

**Example 1.** - A small rock tied to the end of a string and whirled in a circle undergoes constrained motion until the string breaks



- If there are *no* physical guides, the motion is said to be *unconstrained*.

Example 2. - Airplane, rocket



- The position of particle P at any time  $t$  can be described by specifying its:
  - *Rectangular* coordinates;  $X, Y, Z$
  - *Cylindrical* coordinates;  $r, \theta, z$
  - *Spherical* coordinates;  $R, \theta, \Phi$
- Also described by measurements along the **tangent**  $\hat{t}$  and **normal**  $\hat{n}$  to the curve(path variable).

- The motion of particles(or rigid bodies) may be described by using coordinates measured from fixed reference axis *(absolute motion analysis)* or by using coordinates measured from moving reference axis *(relative motion analysis)*.



# Rectangular co-ordinates (x-y-z)

- This is particularly useful for describing motions where the *x,y* and *z-components* of acceleration are *independently generated*.



- When the position of a particle P is defined at any instant by its rectangular coordinate  $x, y$  and  $z$ , it is convenient to resolve the *velocity*  $v$  and the *acceleration*  $a$  of the particle into rectangular components.

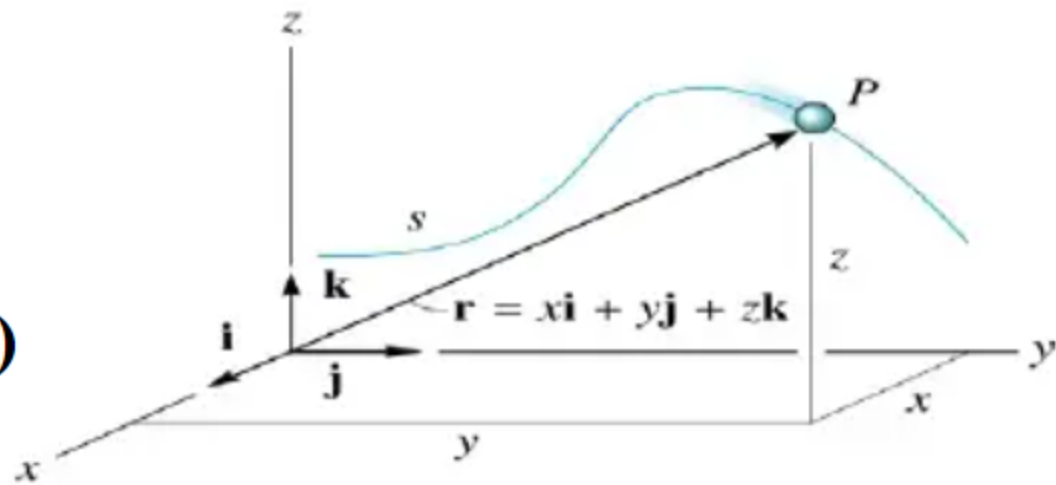
- Resolving the position vector  $\mathbf{r}$  of the particle into rectangular components,

$$\mathbf{r} = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}$$

- Differentiating

$$\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k})$$

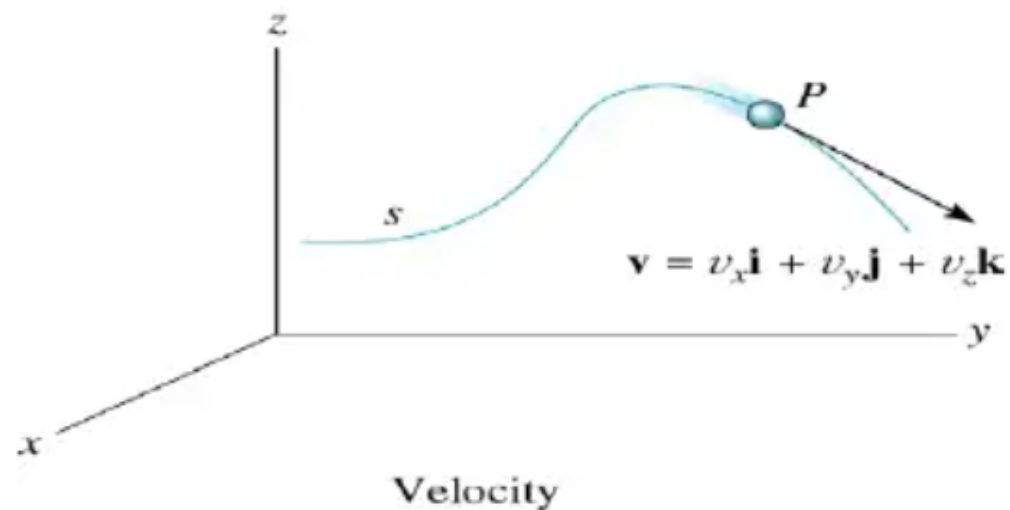
$$\mathbf{v} = \dot{x}\mathbf{i} + \dot{y}\mathbf{j} + \dot{z}\mathbf{k}$$



Position

- All of the following are equivalent:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v} &= \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} (x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k}) \\ &= \frac{dx}{dt} \hat{i} + \frac{dy}{dt} \hat{j} + \frac{dz}{dt} \hat{k} \\ &= \dot{x}\hat{i} + \dot{y}\hat{j} + \dot{z}\hat{k} \\ &= v_x\hat{i} + v_y\hat{j} + v_z\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

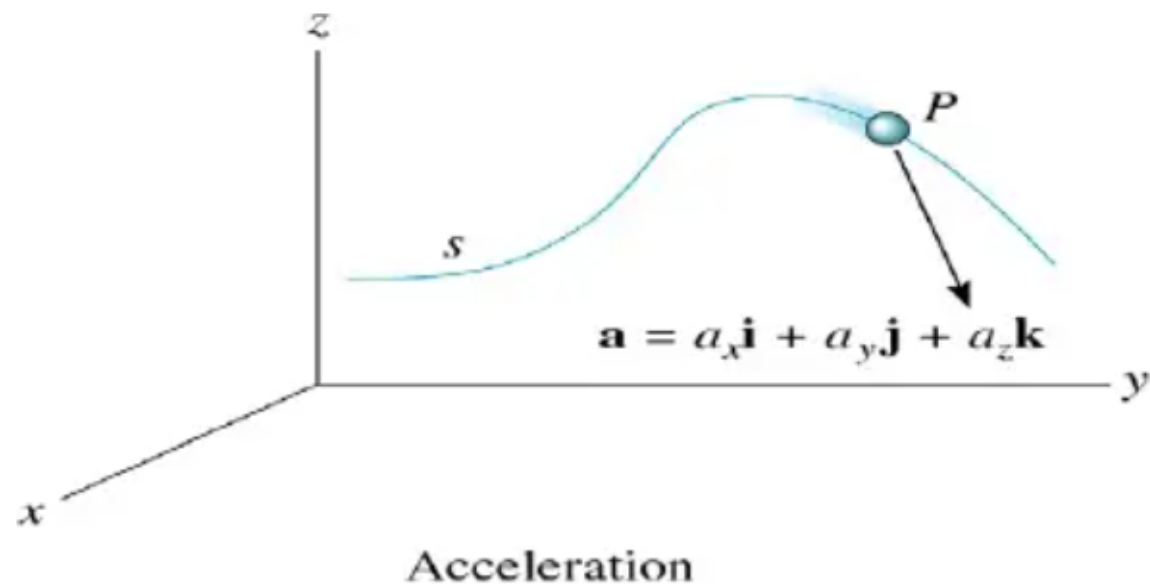


- Since the *speed* is defined as the magnitude of the velocity, we have:

$$v = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} &= \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(v_x\hat{i} + v_y\hat{j} + v_z\hat{k}) \\ &= \frac{dv_x}{dt}\hat{i} + \frac{dv_y}{dt}\hat{j} + \frac{dv_z}{dt}\hat{k} \\ &= \dot{v}_x\hat{i} + \dot{v}_y\hat{j} + \dot{v}_z\hat{k} \\ &= \ddot{x}\hat{i} + \ddot{y}\hat{j} + \ddot{z}\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$



- The magnitude of the acceleration vector is:

$$a = \sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2 + a_z^2}$$

- From the above equations that the scalar components of the velocity and acceleration are

$$\begin{aligned}v_x &= \dot{x} & v_y &= \dot{y} & v_z &= \dot{z} \\a_x &= \ddot{x} & a_y &= \ddot{y} & a_z &= \ddot{z}\end{aligned}$$

- The use of *rectangular components* to describe the *position*, the *velocity* and the *acceleration* of a particle is particularly *effective* when the component  $a_x$  of the acceleration depends only upon  $t, x$  and/or  $v_x$ , similarly for  $a_y$  and  $a_z$ .

- The motion of the particle in the *x direction*, its motion in the *y direction*, and its motion in the *z direction* can be considered *separately*.



- When a particle moves along a **curved path**, it is sometimes convenient to describe its motion using coordinates other than **Cartesian**.

# Kinematics of Rigid Bodies

In physics, a **rigid body**, also known as a **rigid object**, is a solid body in which deformation is zero or negligible. The distance between any two given points on a rigid body remains constant in time regardless of external forces or moments exerted on it.

**The body is in rest:** When a body does not change its position with respect to time.

**The body is in motion:** if a body changes its position with respect to time.

There are different types of motion:

- Translational
- Rotational
- Periodic and
- Non-periodic

## What is Translatory Motion?

The motion in which all points of a moving body move uniformly along a straight line is called translatory motion.

Translatory motion can be of two types:

- rectilinear and
- curvilinear.

## Difference between rectilinear and curvilinear translatory motion

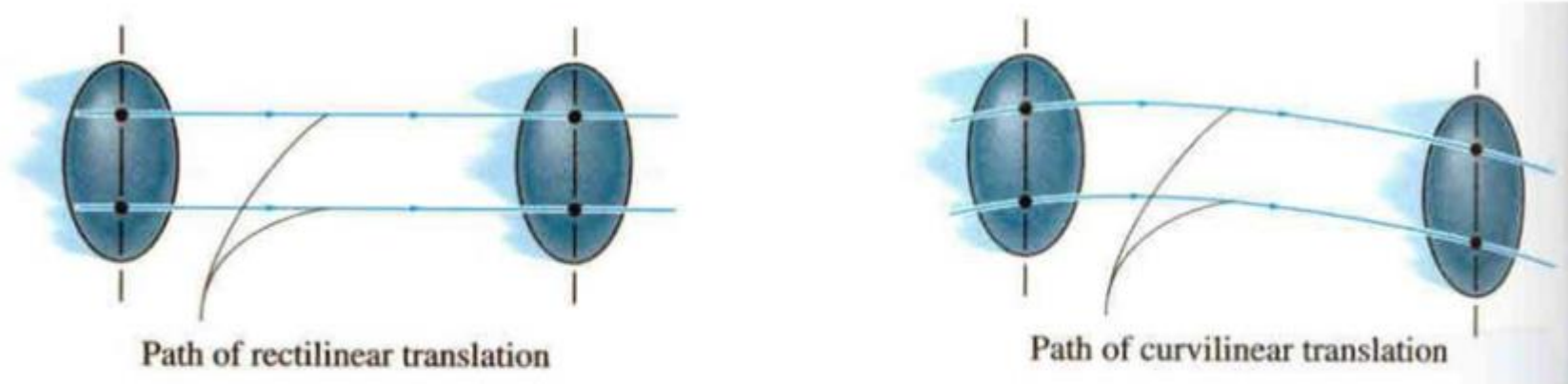
Rectilinear Motion	Curvilinear Motion
When an object in translatory motion moves along a straight line, it is said to be in rectilinear motion	When an object in translatory motion moves along a curved path, it is said to be in curvilinear motion
A car moving along a straight path and the train moving in a straight track are examples of rectilinear motion	A stone thrown up in the air at a certain angle and a car taking a turn are examples of curvilinear motion

# Key Features of Translatory Motion:

- Translation:**
- No rotation of any line in the body
  - All points in body have same **velocity** and **acceleration**
  - No relative motion between any two particles

- ☐ In translatory motion, every point on the object undergoes the same displacement over a given time interval.
- ☐ There is no relative motion between different parts of the object.

# Translation

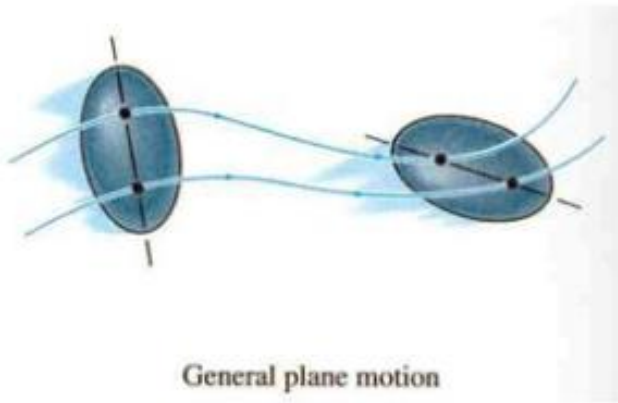


**Translation:** Translation occurs if every line segment on the body remains parallel to its original direction during the motion. When all points move along straight lines, the motion is called **rectilinear** translation. When the paths of motion are curved lines, the motion is called **curvilinear** translation.



Rotation about a fixed axis

**Rotation about a fixed axis.** In this case, all the particles of the body, except those on the axis of rotation, move along **circular paths** in planes perpendicular to the axis of rotation.



General plane motion

**General plane motion.** In this case, the body undergoes **both translation and rotation**. Translation occurs within a plane and rotation occurs about an axis perpendicular to this plane.



# Rigid-Body Motion

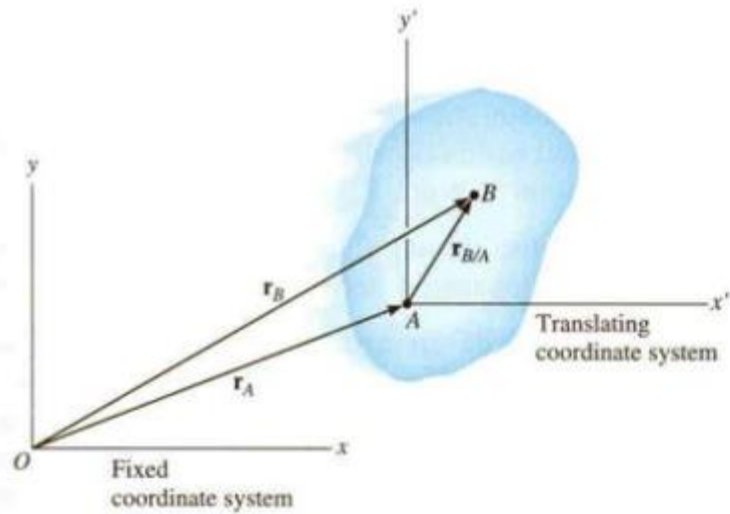
Types of rigid body planar motion

**Translation** – only linear direction

**Rotational about fixed axis** – rotational motion

**General plane motion** – consists of both linear and rotational motion

## RIGID-BODY MOTION: TRANSLATION



The positions of two points A and B on a translating body can be related by

$$\mathbf{r}_B = \mathbf{r}_A + \mathbf{r}_{B/A}$$

where  $\mathbf{r}_A$  &  $\mathbf{r}_B$  are the absolute position vectors defined from the fixed x-y coordinate system, and  $\mathbf{r}_{B/A}$  is the relative-position vector between B and A.

The **velocity** at B is  $\mathbf{v}_B = \mathbf{v}_A + d\mathbf{r}_{B/A}/dt$ .

Now  $d\mathbf{r}_{B/A}/dt = \mathbf{0}$  since  $\mathbf{r}_{B/A}$  is constant. So,  $\mathbf{v}_B = \mathbf{v}_A$ , and by following similar logic,  $\mathbf{a}_B = \mathbf{a}_A$ .

Note, all points in a rigid body subjected to translation move with the **same velocity and acceleration**.

# Translation

Position

$$\mathbf{r}_B = \mathbf{r}_A + \mathbf{r}_{B/A}$$

Velocity

$$\mathbf{v}_B = \mathbf{v}_A + d \mathbf{r}_{B/A} / dt$$

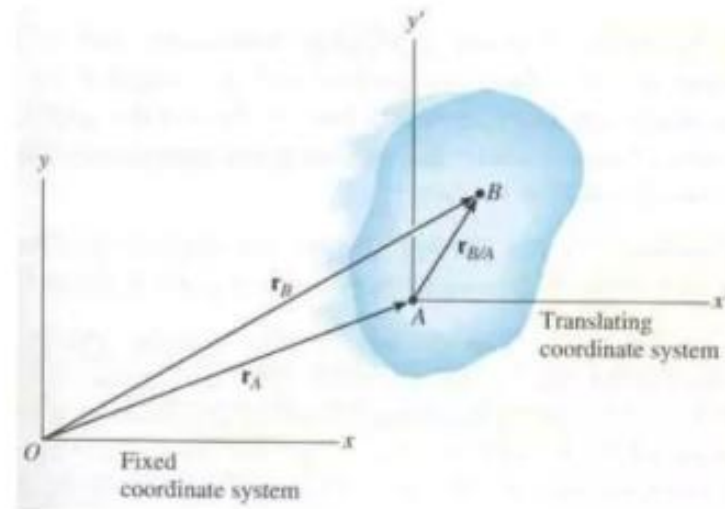
$$\mathbf{r}_{B/A} = \text{const.}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_B = \mathbf{v}_A$$

Acceleration

$$\mathbf{a}_B = \mathbf{a}_A$$

All points move with same velocity and acceleration



If the linear acceleration of the body is **constant**,  $a=a_c$  the equations for linear velocity and acceleration can be integrated to yield the set of algebraic equations below

- Constant acceleration

$$v = v_0 + a_c t$$

$$s = s_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a_c t^2$$

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2a_c (s - s_0)$$

# Summary

- Time dependent acceleration
- Constant acceleration

$$s(t)$$

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2s}{dt^2}$$

$$a ds = v dv$$

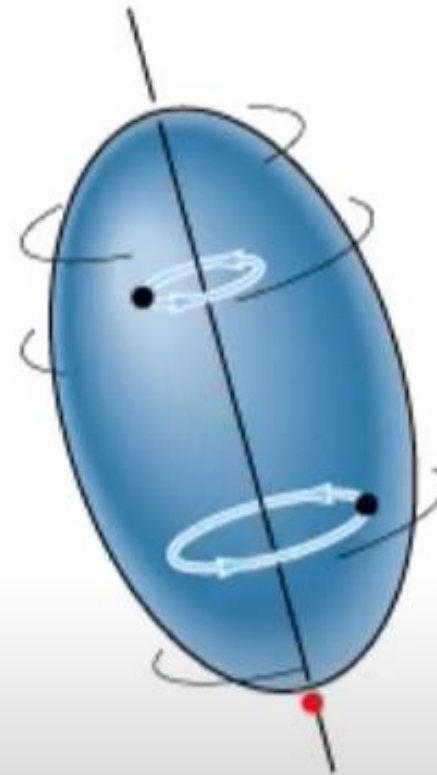
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# Rotation about Fixed Axis

All particles of the body move along circular paths except those which lie on the axis of rotation



Rotation about a fixed axis

# RIGID-BODY MOTION: ROTATION ABOUT A FIXED AXIS

When a body rotates about a fixed axis, any point  $P$  in the body travels along a **circular path**. The angular position of  $P$  is defined by  $\theta$ .

## Angular Position ( $\theta$ )

- Defined by the angle  $\theta$  measured between a fixed reference line and  $r$
- Measured in *rad*

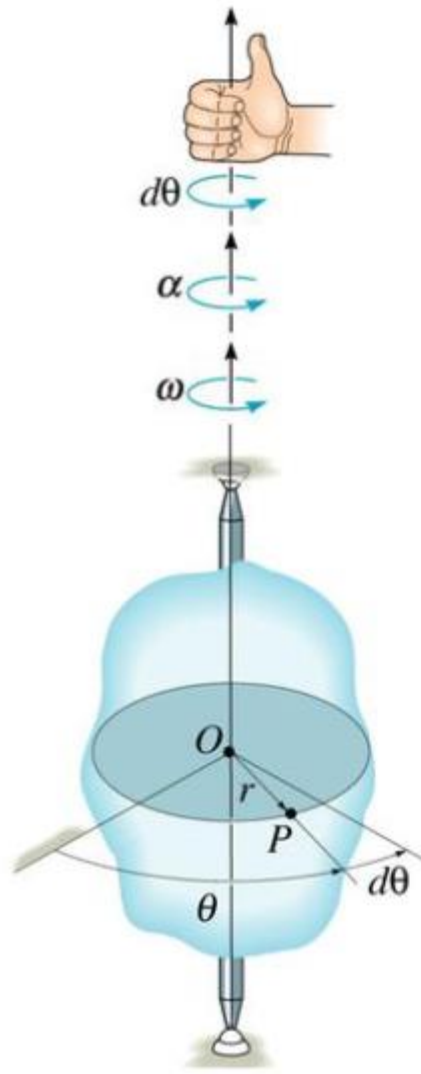
## Angular Displacement

- Measured as  $d\theta$
- Vector quantity
- Measured in radians or revolutions
- $1 \text{ rev} = 2\pi \text{ rad}$





# RIGID-BODY MOTION: ROTATION ABOUT A FIXED AXIS



When a body rotates about a fixed axis, any point P in the body travels along a **circular path**. The angular position of P is defined by  $\theta$ .

The change in angular position,  $d\theta$ , is called the angular displacement, with units of either radians or revolutions. They are related by

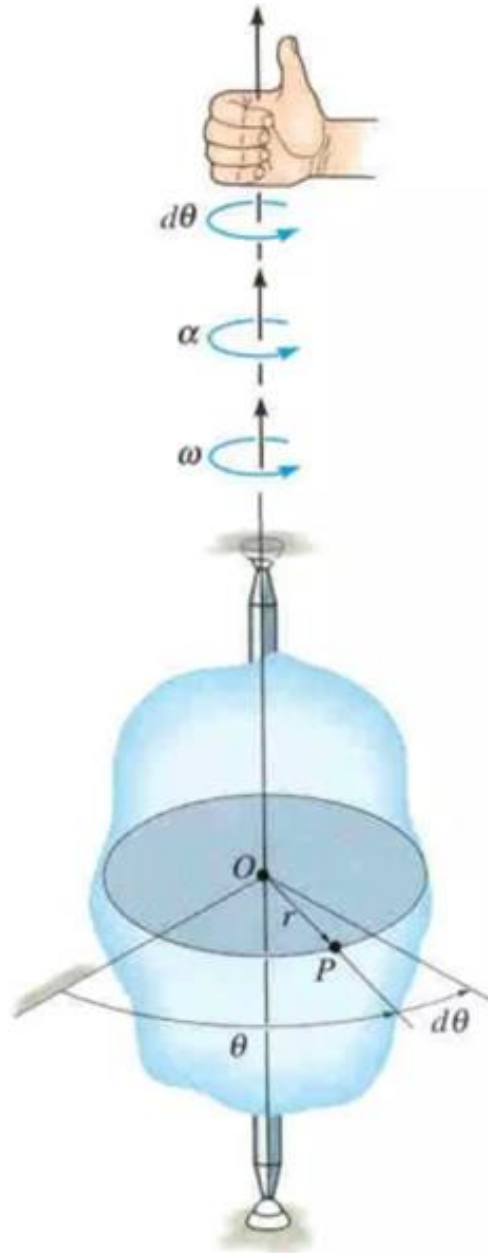
$$1 \text{ revolution} = 2\pi \text{ radians}$$

**Angular velocity**,  $\omega$ , is obtained by taking the time derivative of angular displacement:

$$\omega = d\theta/dt \text{ (rad/s) } +$$

Similarly, **angular acceleration** is

$$\alpha = d^2\theta/dt^2 = d\omega/dt \text{ or } \alpha = \omega(d\omega/d\theta) + \text{ } \text{ rad/s}^2$$



Angular velocity ( $\omega$ )

“the time rate of change in the angular position”

$$\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

Angular acceleration

“the time rate of change of the angular velocity”

$$\alpha = \frac{d\omega}{dt}$$

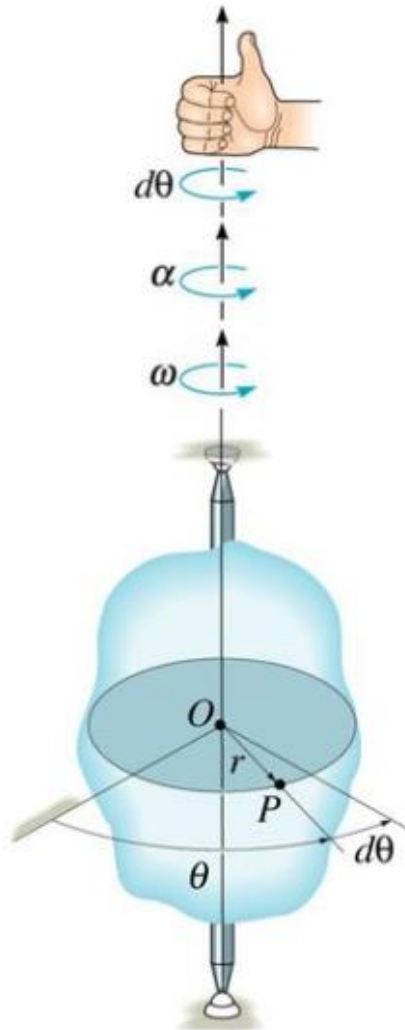
$$\alpha = \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}$$

$$\alpha = f(\theta)$$

$$\alpha d\theta = \omega d\omega$$

# RIGID-BODY MOTION: ROTATION ABOUT A FIXED AXIS

(continued)



If the angular acceleration of the body is **constant**,  $\alpha = \alpha_C$ , the equations for angular velocity and acceleration can be integrated to yield the set of **algebraic** equations below.

$$\omega = \omega_O + \alpha_C t$$

$$\theta = \theta_O + \omega_O t + 0.5 \alpha_C t^2$$

$$\omega^2 = (\omega_O)^2 + 2 \alpha_C (\theta - \theta_O)$$

$\theta_O$  and  $\omega_O$  are the initial values of the body's angular position and angular velocity. Note these equations are very similar to the constant acceleration relations developed for the **rectilinear** motion of a particle.

# Comparison

The kinematics equations for rotational and translation motion:

$$s(t)$$

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2s}{dt^2}$$

$$\theta(t)$$

$$\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{d\omega}{dt} = \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}$$

Rigid Body Under Constant  
Angular Acceleration

$$a ds = v dv$$

$$\alpha d\theta = \omega d\omega$$

$$v = v_0 + a_c t$$

$$s = s_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a_c t^2$$

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2a_c (s - s_0)$$

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha_c t$$

$$\theta = \theta_0 + \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_c t^2$$

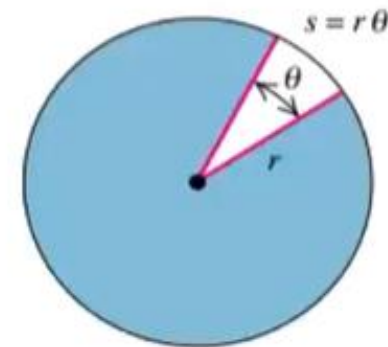
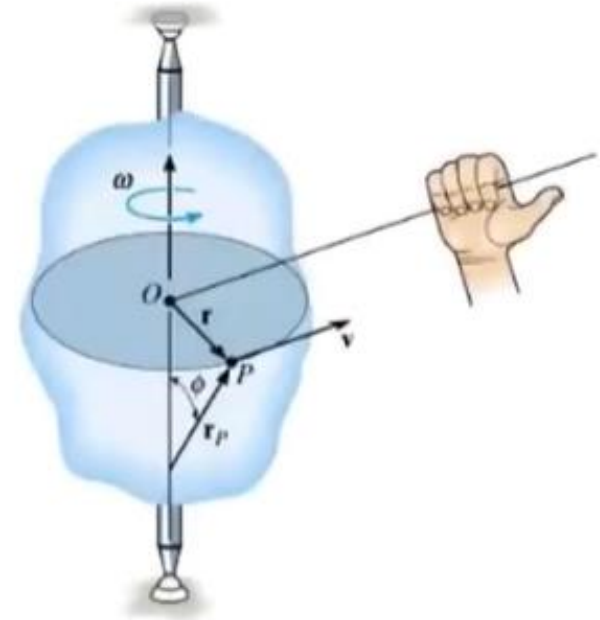
$$\omega^2 = \omega_0^2 + 2\alpha_c (\theta - \theta_0)$$

# Motion of Point P

## Position :

Is defined by the position vector  $r$

The arc-length is  $s = r\theta$



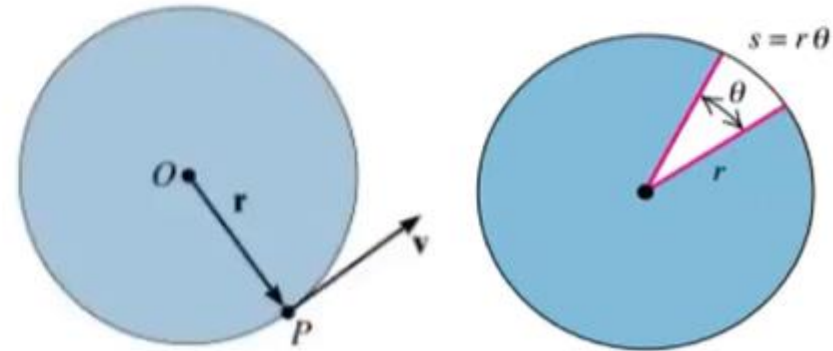
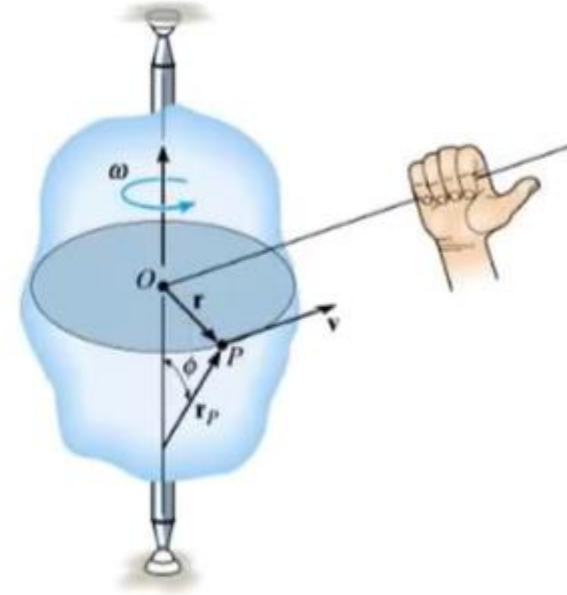


# Motion of Point P

## Velocity

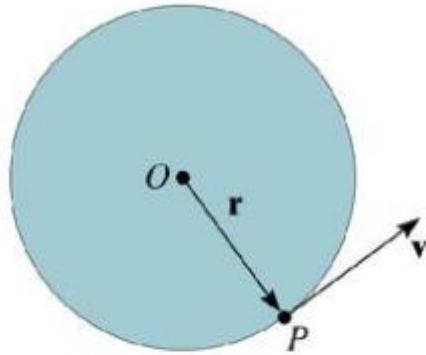
$$v = \frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{d(r\theta)}{dt} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} r$$

$$v = \omega r$$



The magnitude of the velocity of P is equal to  $\omega r$ . The velocity's direction is tangent to the circular path of P.

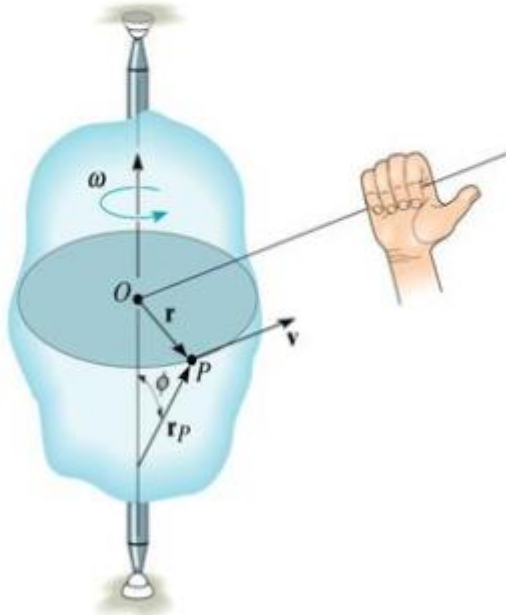
## RIGID-BODY ROTATION: VELOCITY OF POINT P



In the **vector** formulation, the magnitude and direction of  $\mathbf{v}$  can be determined from the **cross product** of  $\boldsymbol{\omega}$  and  $\mathbf{r}_p$ . Here  $\mathbf{r}_p$  is a vector from any point on the axis of rotation to P.

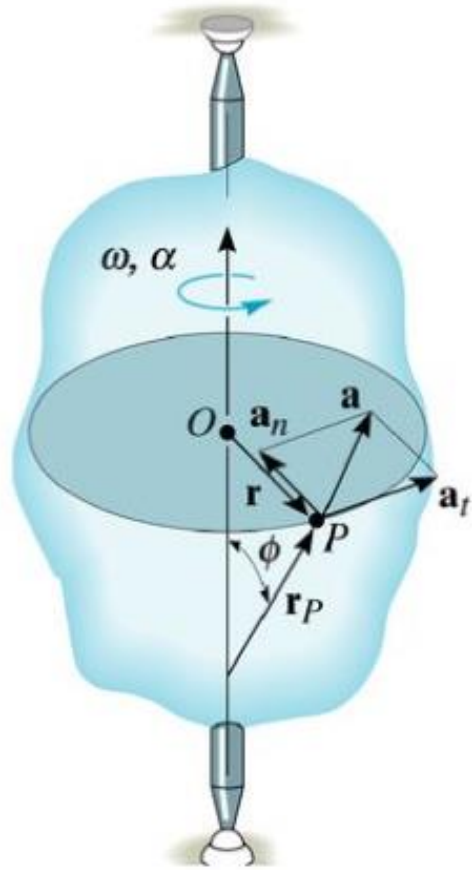
$$\mathbf{v} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_p = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

The direction of  $\mathbf{v}$  is determined by the right-hand rule.





## RIGID-BODY ROTATION: ACCELERATION OF POINT P



The acceleration of  $P$  is expressed in terms of its **normal** ( $\mathbf{a}_n$ ) and **tangential** ( $\mathbf{a}_t$ ) components. In scalar form, these are  $a_t = \alpha r$  and  $a_n = \omega^2 r$ .

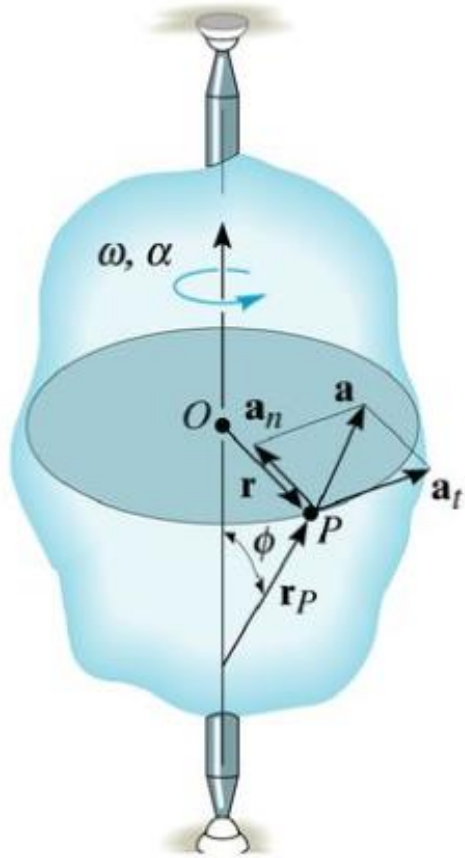
The **tangential component**,  $\mathbf{a}_t$ , represents the time rate of change in the velocity's **magnitude**. It is directed **tangent** to the path of motion.

The **normal component**,  $\mathbf{a}_n$ , represents the time rate of change in the velocity's **direction**. It is directed **toward** the **center** of the circular path.

## RIGID-BODY ROTATION: ACCELERATION OF POINT P

(continued)

Using the **vector** formulation, the acceleration of P can also be defined by differentiating the velocity.



$$\mathbf{a} = d\mathbf{v}/dt = d\boldsymbol{\omega}/dt \times \mathbf{r}_P + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times d\mathbf{r}_P/dt$$

$$= \boldsymbol{\alpha} \times \mathbf{r}_P + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_P)$$

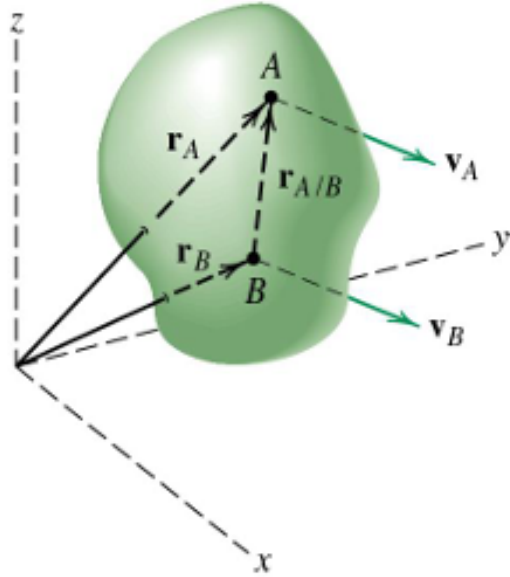
It can be shown that this equation reduces to

$$\mathbf{a} = \boldsymbol{\alpha} \times \mathbf{r} - \omega^2 \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a}_t + \mathbf{a}_n$$

The **magnitude** of the acceleration vector is  $a = \sqrt{(a_t)^2 + (a_n)^2}$

# **THREE-DIMENSIONAL KINEMATICS OF RIGID BODIES**

## 1. TRANSLATION



$$\vec{r}_A = \vec{r}_B + \vec{r}_{A/B}$$

$$\vec{v}_A = \vec{v}_B$$

$$\vec{a}_A = \vec{a}_B$$

$\vec{r}_{A/B}$  remains constant and therefore its time derivative is zero.

Thus, all points in the body have the same velocity and the same acceleration.

## 2. FIXED-AXIS ROTATION

### Fixed Axis Rotation

::  $\omega$  does not change its direction since it lies along the fixed axis

:: Any point  $A$  in the body (not on the axis) moves in a circular arc in a plane normal to the axis; its velocity:

$$\mathbf{v} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r} \quad \text{since } \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{b} \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0}$$

And acceleration of  $A$  is given by time derivative:

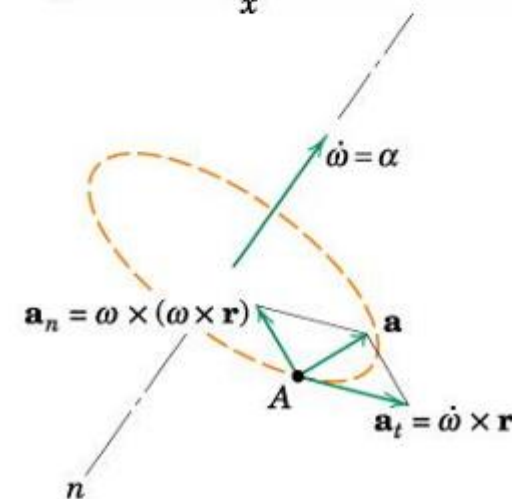
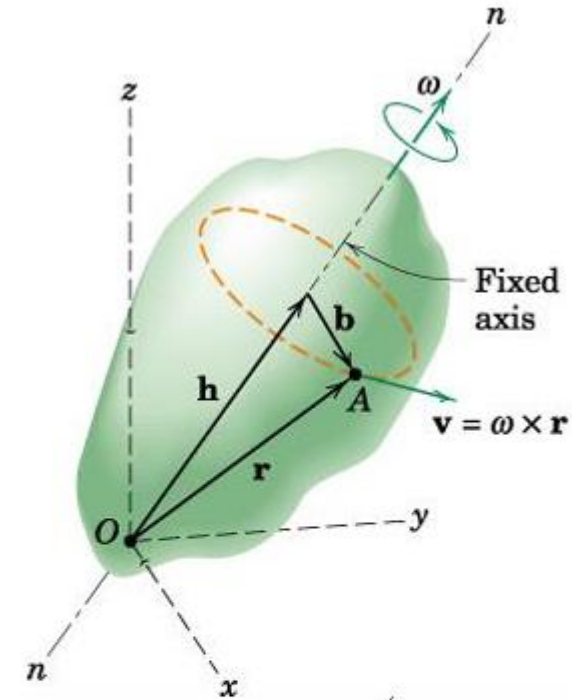
$$\mathbf{a} = \dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \times \mathbf{r} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}) \quad \text{since } \dot{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{v} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

The normal and tangential components of  $\mathbf{a}$  for the circular motion:

$$a_n = |\boldsymbol{\omega} \times (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r})| = b\omega^2 \quad a_t = |\dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \times \mathbf{r}| = b\alpha$$

Since  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{a}$  are perpendicular to  $\boldsymbol{\omega}$  and  $\dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}}$ :

$$\mathbf{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega} = 0, \mathbf{v} \cdot \dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}} = 0, \mathbf{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega} = 0, \text{ and } \mathbf{a} \cdot \dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}} = 0$$



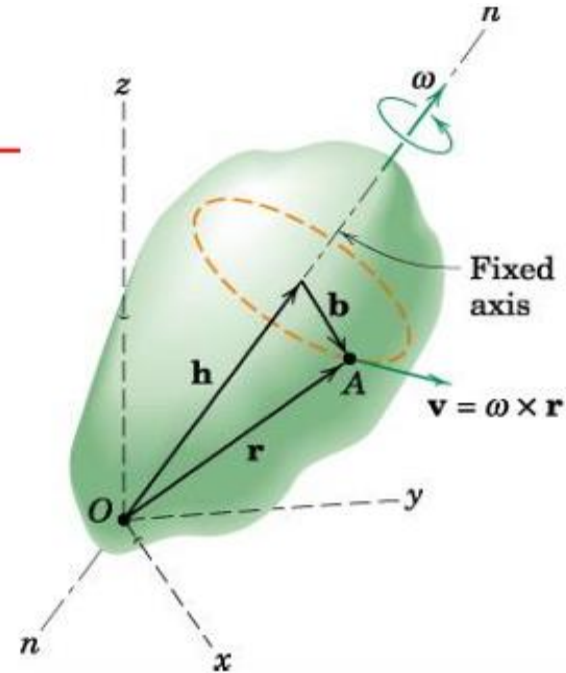
# 3-D Kinematics

## Rotation about a Fixed Point

When a rigid body rotates @ a fixed point  $O$  with the instantaneous axis of rotation  $n$ - $n$ , vel  $\mathbf{v}$  and accln  $\mathbf{a} = \dot{\mathbf{v}}$  of any point  $A$  in the body are given by the same expressions derived when the axis was fixed:

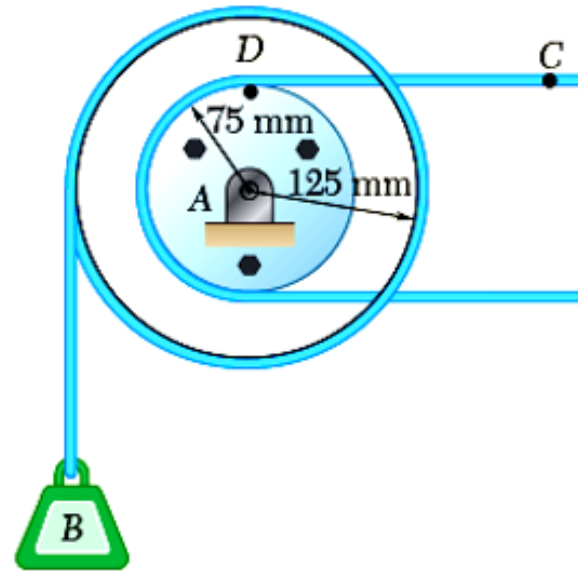
$$\mathbf{v} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

$$\mathbf{a} = \dot{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \times \mathbf{r} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r})$$



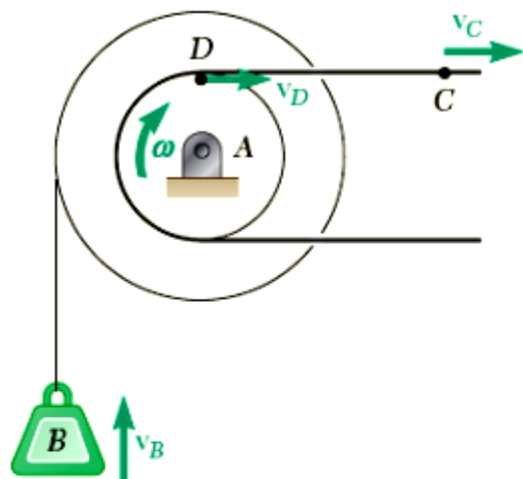


## Sample Problem?



Cable  $C$  has a constant acceleration of  $225 \text{ mm/s}^2$  and an initial velocity of  $300 \text{ mm/s}$ , both directed to the right.

Determine (a) the number of revolutions of the pulley in 2 s, (b) the velocity and change in position of the load  $B$  after 2 s, and (c) the acceleration of the point  $D$  on the rim of the inner pulley at  $t = 0$ .



### SOLUTION:

- The tangential velocity and acceleration of  $D$  are equal to the velocity and acceleration of  $C$ .

$$(\vec{v}_D)_0 = (\vec{v}_C)_0 = 300 \text{ mm/s} \rightarrow (\vec{a}_D)_t = \vec{a}_C = 9 \text{ in./s} \rightarrow$$

$$(v_D)_0 = r\omega_0 \quad (a_D)_t = r\alpha$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{(v_D)_0}{r} = \frac{300}{75} = 4 \text{ rad/s} \quad \alpha = \frac{(a_D)_t}{r} = \frac{9}{3} = 3 \text{ rad/s}^2$$

- Apply the relations for uniformly accelerated rotation to determine velocity and angular position of pulley after 2 s.

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t = 4 \text{ rad/s} + (3 \text{ rad/s}^2)(2 \text{ s}) = 10 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\theta = \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2 = (4 \text{ rad/s})(2 \text{ s}) + \frac{1}{2} (3 \text{ rad/s}^2)(2 \text{ s})^2$$

$$= 14 \text{ rad}$$

$$N = (14 \text{ rad}) \left( \frac{1 \text{ rev}}{2\pi \text{ rad}} \right) = \text{number of revs} \quad \boxed{N = 2.23 \text{ rev}}$$

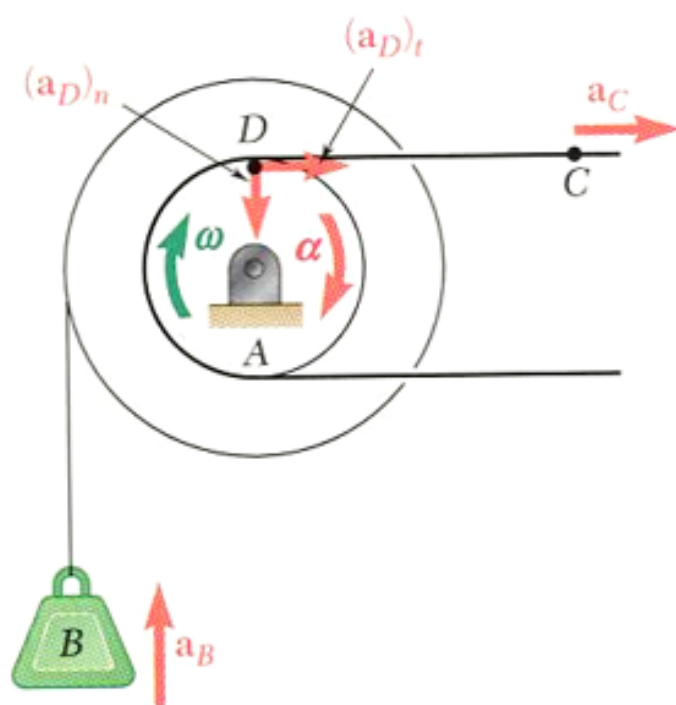
$$v_B = r\omega = (125 \text{ mm})(10 \text{ rad/s})$$

$$\Delta y_B = r\theta = (125 \text{ mm})(14 \text{ rad})$$

$$\boxed{\vec{v}_B = 1.25 \text{ m/s} \uparrow}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta y_B = 1.75 \text{ m}}$$





- Evaluate the initial tangential and normal acceleration components of  $D$ .

$$(\vec{a}_D)_t = \vec{a}_C = 225 \text{ mm/s}^2 \rightarrow$$

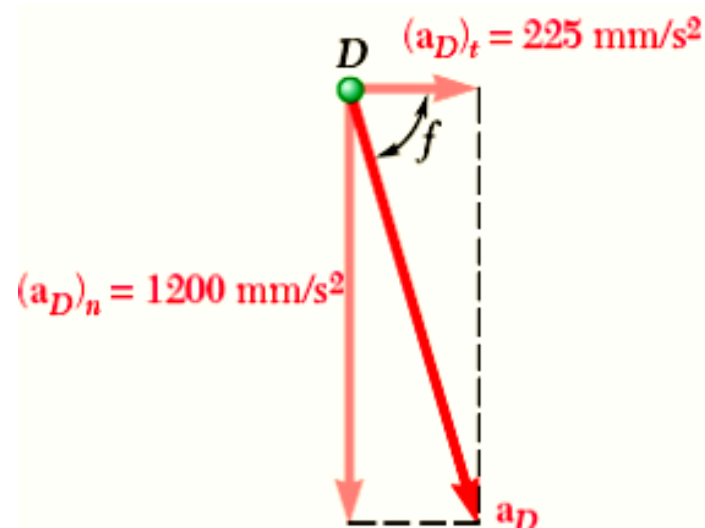
$$(a_D)_n = r_D \omega_0^2 = (75 \text{ mm})(4 \text{ rad/s})^2 = 1200 \text{ mm/s}^2$$

$$(\vec{a}_D)_t = 225 \text{ mm/s}^2 \rightarrow (\vec{a}_D)_n = 1200 \text{ mm/s}^2 \downarrow$$

Magnitude and direction of the total acceleration,

$$\begin{aligned} a_D &= \sqrt{(a_D)_t^2 + (a_D)_n^2} \\ &= \sqrt{225^2 + 1200^2} \end{aligned}$$

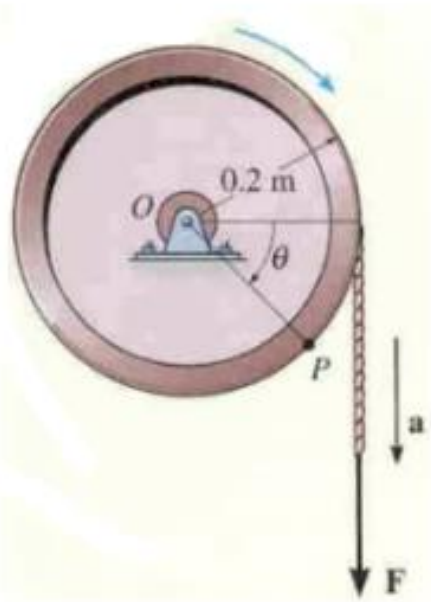
$$a_D = 1220 \text{ mm/s}^2$$



$$\begin{aligned} \tan \phi &= \frac{(a_D)_n}{(a_D)_t} \\ &= \frac{1200}{225} \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi = 79.4^\circ$$

# Problem



Rest

$$a_t = 4t \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\omega = ?$$

$$\theta = ?$$

$$(a_p)_t = \alpha r$$

$$(4t) = \alpha (0.2)$$

$$\alpha = 20t \text{ rad/s}^2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{d\omega}{dt} = 20t$$

$$\int_0^{\omega} d\omega = \int_0^t 20t \, dt$$

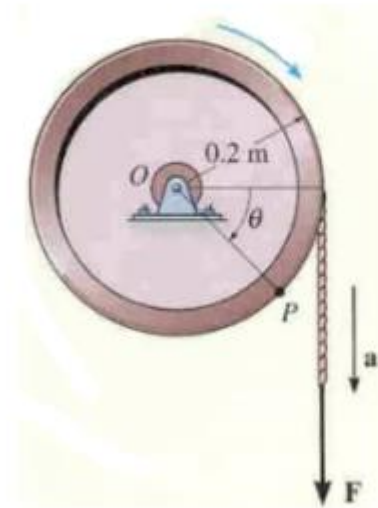
$$\omega = 10t^2 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt} = 10t^2$$

$$\int_0^{\theta} d\theta = \int_0^t 10t^2 \, dt$$

$$\theta = 3.33t^3 \text{ rad}$$

## Problem



Rest

$$a_t = 4t \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\omega = ?$$

$$\theta = ?$$

*Thank You...*

