Lecture Module - Dynamics Review

ME3050 - Dynamic Modeling and Controls

Mechanical Engineering
Tennessee Technological University

Topic 3 - Particles and Bodies

Topic 3 - Particles and Bodies

- Particle Motion
- Rigid Body Motion
- Is rigid body motion realistic?
- Motion in ME3050

Particle Motion

In your dynamics course you derived and used these equations.

$$\vec{v}(t) = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = v\hat{e}_t$$

$$\vec{a}(t) = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \dot{v}\hat{e}_t + \vec{v}\frac{ds}{dt}\frac{d\hat{e}_t}{ds} = \dot{v}\hat{e}_t + \frac{v^2}{\rho}\hat{e}_n$$

$$\frac{d\hat{e}_t}{ds} = \kappa\hat{e}_n$$

Do you remember these? Do they make sense to you?

Rigid Body Motion

$$\tfrac{d}{dt} \big| r_{pq} \big|^2 = \tfrac{d}{dt} \big(\vec{r}_{pq} \cdot \vec{r}_{pq} \big) = 2 \vec{r}_{pq} \cdot \tfrac{d\vec{r}_{pq}}{dt} = 0$$

In a rigid body motion, the body remains rigid and does not deform. This is intuitive but In mechanics a different definition is used.

In a rigid body motion

Is rigid body motion realistic?

Consider a typical hobbyist quadcopter. Is the frame rigid? Is flight a rigid body motion?



Example of Non-Rigid Body Motion or System

Traditionally engineers build machines that are ...



Motion in ME3050

In DMC we will study systems that undergo simple motions.

Therefore, we will focus on the system dynamics of translational and rotational engineering problems in which the motion is contrained to straightline or circlar paths.