

In chapter 7, we briefly discussed new forms of energy that became important if the atoms inside your object interact w/ the surroundings

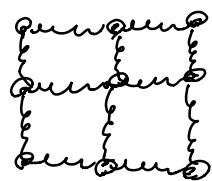
Solid block:

Model:  $\bullet^m$

single point of mass w/ no internal structure

$$E = K + U_{sys}$$

Model:



$$E = K + U_{sys} + E_{int}$$

$$E_{int} \longleftrightarrow \text{Temp}$$

- more complicated model

- Don't need for simple problems like falling mass in a vacuum

- Do need when considering friction, air resistance, collisions, etc

In chapter 9, we consider another case where we lose track of energy if we treat the system like a single particle

Ex: Throwing a frisbee

140 g

As I throw this frisbee, I do 30 J of work on it (chem energy in my body converted to kinetic energy of frisbee)

What is the resulting speed of the frisbee?

System: frisbee

Surr: none

$$m \rightarrow v \quad \text{treat frisbee like a point of mass}$$

$$E_{sys} = 30 \text{ J} = \frac{1}{2} mv^2$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2}{0.14 \text{ kg}} (30 \text{ J})} = 20.7 \text{ m/s}$$

When I test this, it is wrong

$E_x$ :

Ball at top of ramp ( $m = 535 \text{ g}$ )  
 $h = 25.5 \text{ mm}$ )

$$\Delta E_{\text{sys}} = 0$$

$$E_i = mgh$$

$$E_f = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

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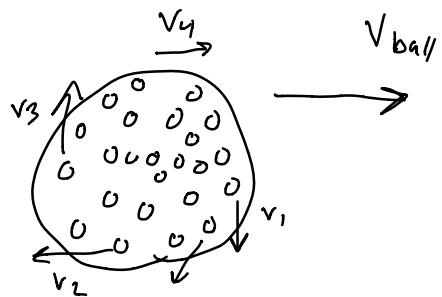
$$v = \sqrt{2gh} = \sqrt{2(9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2})(0.0255 \text{ m})} = 0.71 \text{ m/s}$$

What is happening?

- We have not violated energy conservation
- $\Delta T$  is not all friction/air resistance
  - (we would see this even in a vacuum + on ice)
- The "missing" energy is not internal, the ball's temp does not change

→ The issue is that the ball + the frisbee are not "point masses"

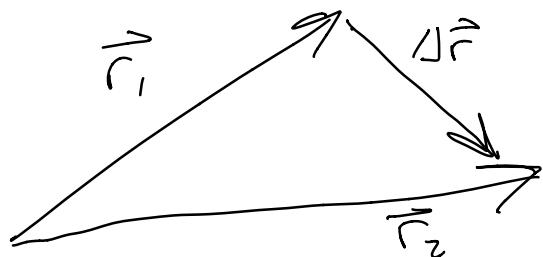
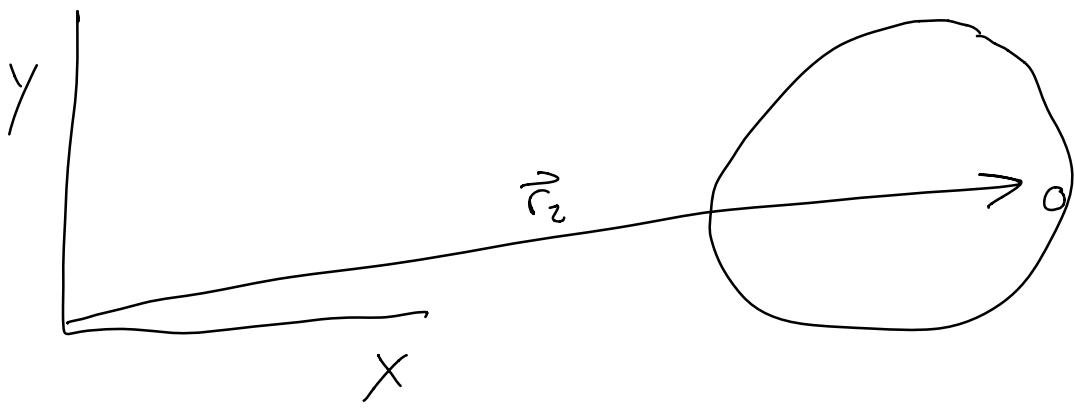
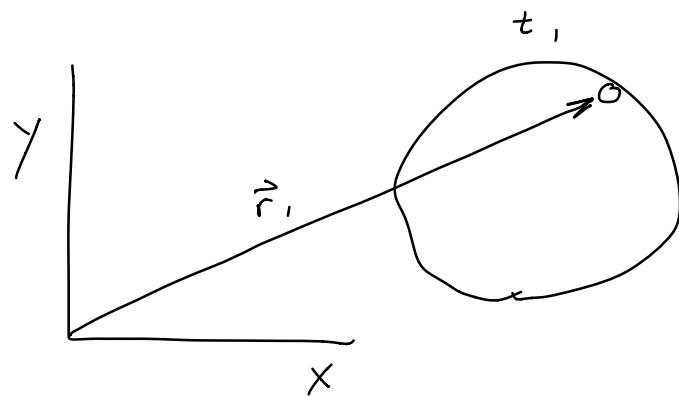
→ They are rotating



There is kinetic energy assoc with the speed of the ball's molecules as they rotate

In fact, we should clarify what we mean by  
"the speed of the ball"

$$\vec{v}_{\text{avg}} = \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta t}$$



At any moment, molecules at different areas of the ball are moving w/  
different speeds in different directions

So which one is "the speed" of  
the ball?

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To answer this, we return to the  
concept of momentum

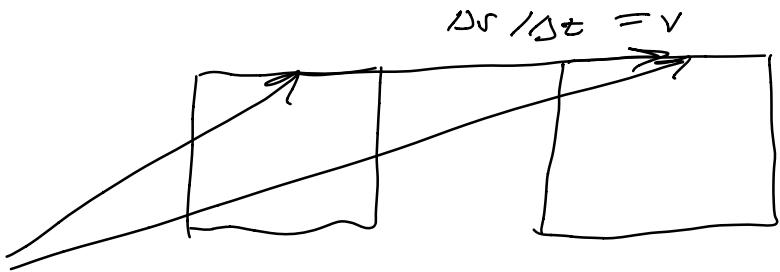
Momentum & velocity of multiparticle systems

Consider a system of 2 sliding blocks  
(friction-less)

$$m_1 = 5 \text{ kg}$$
$$v_1 = 2 \text{ m/s}$$

$$m_2 = 2 \text{ kg}$$
$$v_2 = 3 \text{ m/s}$$





System: box 1

$$\vec{P}_1 = \left\langle 10 \frac{\text{kg m}}{\text{s}}, 0, 0 \right\rangle$$

$$\vec{v}_1 = \left\langle 2 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}, 0, 0 \right\rangle$$

System: box 2

$$\vec{P}_2 = \left\langle 6 \frac{\text{kg m}}{\text{s}}, 0, 0 \right\rangle$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = \left\langle 3 \frac{\text{m/s}}{\text{s}}, 0, 0 \right\rangle$$

System: box 1 + box 2

$$\vec{P} = \left\langle 16 \frac{\text{kg m}}{\text{s}}, 0, 0 \right\rangle$$

$$\vec{v} = ?$$

$$\vec{v} = ? \quad \vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 = \left\langle 5 \frac{\text{m/s}}{\text{s}}, 0, 0 \right\rangle$$

System moves faster than  
either object?

$$\vec{v} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2}{2} = \left\langle 2.5 \frac{m}{s}, 0, 0 \right\rangle$$

Not quite right, either

To find  $\vec{v}$ , remember defn of  $\vec{p}$

$$\vec{p} = m \vec{v}$$

$$\vec{p}_{sys} = \left\langle 16 \frac{kg \cdot m}{s}, 0, 0 \right\rangle$$

$$m_{sys} = 5 \text{ kg} + 2 \text{ kg} = 7 \text{ kg}$$

$$\vec{v}_{sys} = \vec{p}_{sys} / m_{sys} = \left\langle 2.29 \frac{m}{s}, 0, 0 \right\rangle$$

Interpretation:

$$\vec{v}_{sys} = \frac{\vec{p}_{sys}}{m_{sys}} = \frac{\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2}{m_1 + m_2} = \frac{m_1 \vec{v}_1 + m_2 \vec{v}_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$\vec{v}_{sys}$  is the average velocity, weighted by mass

Like your score on an exam:

P1: Worth 10 pts, you score 40%

P2: Worth 20 pts, you score 90%

$$\text{grade} = \frac{(10)(40) + (20)(90)}{10 + 20} = 73.3\%$$

points possible → mass  
 score → velocity

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This generalizes to as many particles as I want

System:  $m_1 @ \vec{v}_1$

$m_2 @ \vec{v}_2$

$m_3 @ \vec{v}_3$

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$m_N @ \vec{v}_N$

$$\hat{P}_{sys} = m_1 \vec{v}_1 + m_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + m_N \vec{v}_N$$

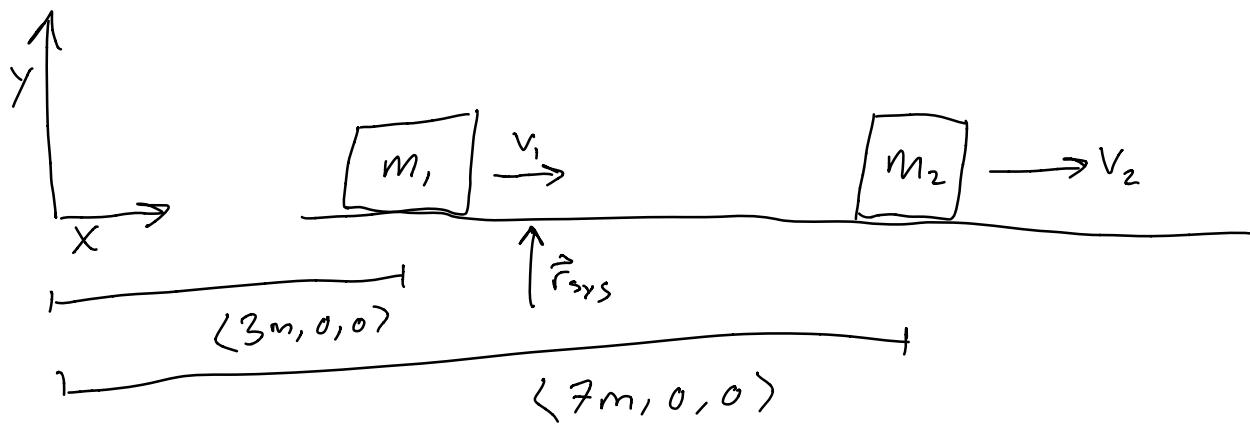
$$\hat{V}_{sys} = \underbrace{m_1 \vec{v}_1 + m_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + m_N \vec{v}_N}_{m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_N}$$

"Where" is my system?

Each particle has its own position

Just like velocity, take the  
weighted average

$$\vec{r}_{sys} = \frac{m_1 \vec{r}_1 + m_2 \vec{r}_2 + \dots m_N \vec{r}_N}{m_1 + m_2 + \dots m_N}$$



$$\vec{r}_{sys} = \frac{(5 \text{ kg}) \langle 3 \text{ m}, 0, 0 \rangle + (2 \text{ kg}) \langle 7 \text{ m}, 0, 0 \rangle}{7 \text{ kg}}$$

$$\vec{r}_{sys} = \langle 4.1, 0, 0 \rangle \text{ m}$$

A system of many particles has  
its own:

mass:  $(m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_N)$

position:  $(\vec{r}_{sys} = \frac{m_1 \vec{r}_1 + m_2 \vec{r}_2 + \dots + m_N \vec{r}_N}{m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_N})$

velocity:  $(\vec{v}_{sys} = \frac{m_1 \vec{v}_1 + m_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + m_N \vec{v}_N}{m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_N})$

Note that  $\vec{v}_{sys} = \frac{d\vec{r}_{sys}}{dt}$

accel, net force, etc ...

A system of many particles itself  
behaves like a particle!

$\vec{r}_{sys}$  = Center of mass ( $\vec{r}_{cm}$ )

$\vec{v}_{sys}$  = Velocity of center ( $\vec{v}_{cm}$ )  
of mass

Show phet simulations ...

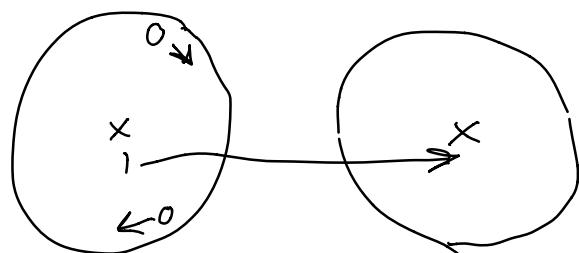
A rolling ball is no different

It is a collection of molecules, but

$$\vec{v}_{ball} = \frac{m_1 \vec{v}_1 + m_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + m_N \vec{v}_N}{m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_N}$$

When we talk about "the velocity" or  
"the position"

of a rolling ball or a spinning frisbee,  
we mean that of its center of mass



Energy of a multiparticle system:

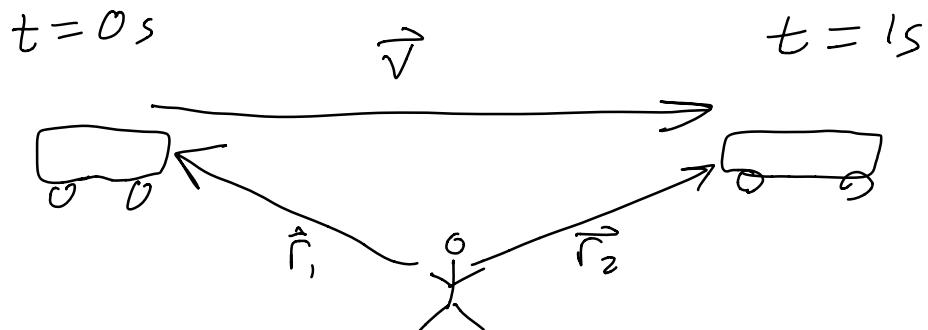


System:  $m_1 + m_2$

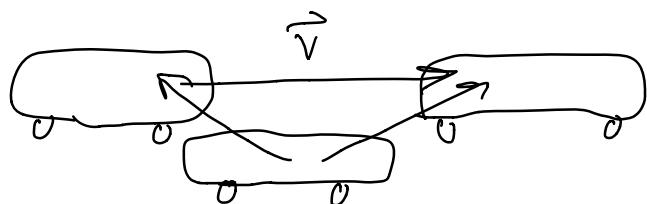
$$1L: \frac{1}{2}m_1v_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_2v_2^2$$

How I measure "v" depends on my own velocity!

Ex: Car speeds past you



velocity relative to observer vs moving car



Why is this important?

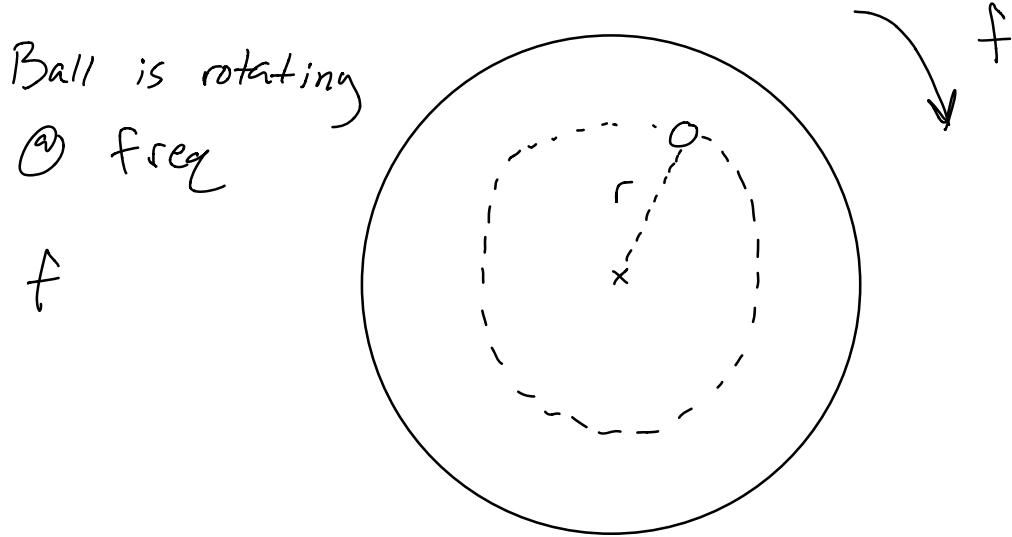


- The velocity of the CM is easy to measure
- The velocity of rotating molecules is hard

Now imagine we're riding inside the ball  
at the center of mass

We just see a rotating ball

We can easily calculate the velocity now



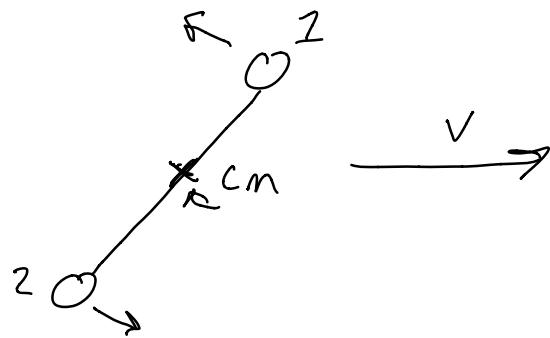
$$\text{distance per rotation} = 2\pi r$$

$$\text{rotations per sec} = f$$

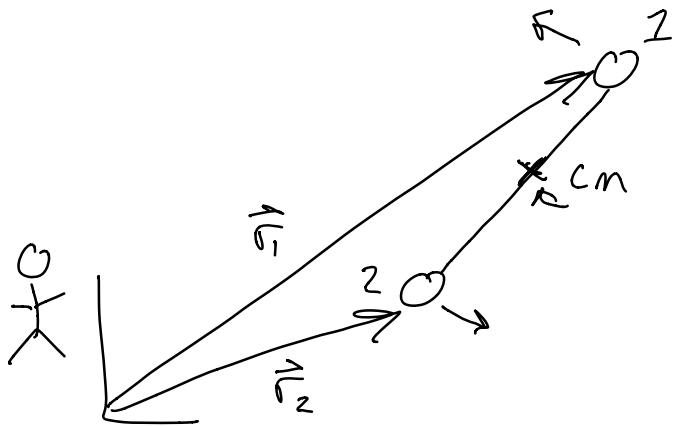
$$v = 2\pi r f = \left| \frac{d\vec{r}_{\text{rel}}}{dt} \right|$$

Conclusion: It's easy to describe the speed of a rotating molecule  
relative to the center of mass

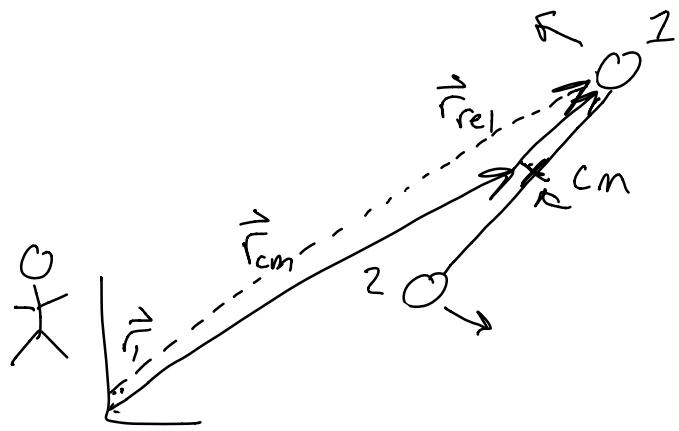
Consider a rotating dumbbell



$$K = \frac{1}{2} m_1 v_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 v_2^2$$



$$|\vec{v}_1| = \frac{d\vec{r}_1}{dt}$$



$$\vec{r}_i = \vec{r}_{cm} + \vec{r}_{rel}$$

position of  $m_i$  = position of  $cm$  +  
position of  $m_i$ ,  
relative to  $cm$

$$K_i = \frac{1}{2} m_i v_i^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_i &= \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{r}_{cm} + \vec{r}_{rel}) \\ &= \vec{v}_{cm} + \vec{v}_{rel}\end{aligned}$$