

Lecture 11

Midterm exam: Scheduled for 10/9
Delay to 10/16?

Finished discussion of Lagrangians

Continue to use when convenient

Turn to Ch 2: Non-inertial frames

When useful:

Problems involving "platform" rotating at
pre-determined rate $\omega(t)$
Often easier to solve in co-rotating frame

Obvious example: Earth

Rotates at $\omega_e = 7.3 \times 10^{-5}$ rad/s

So "lab frame" is really non-inertial

Clues that you should use non-inertial frame:

- Latitude on earth is specified
- Motion takes place on a platform
(or hoop, or box, etc)
that has specified acceleration or rotation

Clues that inertial frame better

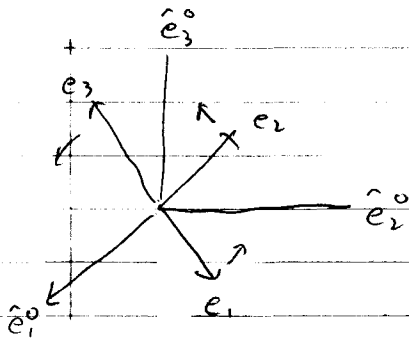
- Dynamics of accelerating/rotating body are of interest
(ie spinning top, rocket)
- Conservation of momentum or angular momentum
is important

Rotating Frame

Two Cartesian coord systems

Inertial frame axes $\hat{e}_1^0, \hat{e}_2^0, \hat{e}_3^0$

Rotating frame axes $\hat{e}_1, \hat{e}_2, \hat{e}_3$ "body frame"



Relative to inertial frame,

$$\hat{e}_i = \hat{e}_i(t)$$

Consider vector \vec{A}

Common origin

$$\vec{A} = \sum_i A_i^0 \hat{e}_i^0 = \sum_i A_i \hat{e}_i$$

Important: can write " \vec{A} " w/o specifying frame
ie, particle has definite position indep of coords

But, this not true for $\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}$

Particle might appear to be stationary in
one frame, moving in another

Need to specify frame of derivative:

$$\left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{inert}} \quad \text{or} \quad \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{body}}$$

$$\left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{inert}} = \sum_i \frac{dA_i}{dt} \hat{e}_i^0$$

$$\left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{body}} = \sum_i \frac{dA_i}{dt} \hat{e}_i$$

$$\text{Also have } \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{inert}} = \frac{d}{dt} \sum_i A_i \hat{e}_i(t)$$

$$= \sum_i \frac{dA_i}{dt} \hat{e}_i + A_i \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt}$$

$$\text{So } \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{inert}} = \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{body}} + \sum_i A_i \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt}$$

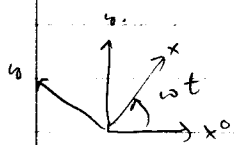
$$\text{really } \left(\frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt}\right)_{\text{inert}}$$

$$\text{but } \left(\frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt}\right)_{\text{body}} \equiv 0$$

Example:

inertial frame (x^0, y^0, z^0)

rotating frame (x, y, z)



$$\hat{e}_x = \hat{e}_x^0 \cos \omega t + \hat{e}_y^0 \sin \omega t$$

$$\hat{e}_y = -\hat{e}_x^0 \sin \omega t + \hat{e}_y^0 \cos \omega t$$

$$\text{Say } \vec{A} = \cos \Omega t \hat{e}_x + \sin \Omega t \hat{e}_y$$

$$\text{Pretty obvious } \vec{A} = \cos(\Omega + \omega)t \hat{e}_x^0 + \sin(\Omega + \omega)t \hat{e}_y^0$$

$$\left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{inert}} = (\Omega + \omega) [-\sin(\Omega + \omega)t \hat{e}_x^0 + \cos(\Omega + \omega)t \hat{e}_y^0]$$

$$\text{and } \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{body}} = \Omega [-\sin \Omega t \hat{e}_x + \cos \Omega t \hat{e}_y]$$

$$= \Omega [-\sin \Omega t (\hat{e}_x^0 \cos \omega t + \hat{e}_y^0 \sin \omega t) + \cos \Omega t (-\hat{e}_x^0 \sin \omega t + \hat{e}_y^0 \cos \omega t)]$$

$$= \Omega [-\sin(\Omega + \omega)t \hat{e}_x^0 + \cos(\Omega + \omega)t \hat{e}_y^0]$$

$$\neq \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{inert}}$$

Differ by $\sum_i A_i \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt}$:

$$\frac{d\hat{e}_x}{dt} = \omega [-\sin \omega t \hat{e}_x^0 + \cos \omega t \hat{e}_y^0]$$

$$\frac{d\hat{e}_y}{dt} = \omega [-\cos \omega t \hat{e}_x^0 - \sin \omega t \hat{e}_y^0]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \sum A_i \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt} &= \cos \Omega t [-\omega \hat{e}_y^0 \sin \omega t + \omega \hat{e}_x^0 \cos \omega t] \\ &+ \sin \Omega t [-\omega \hat{e}_x^0 \cos \omega t - \omega \hat{e}_y^0 \sin \omega t] \\ &= \omega [-\hat{e}_x^0 \cos(\Omega + \omega)t + \hat{e}_y^0 \sin(\Omega + \omega)t] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{body}} + \sum A_i \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt} &= (\Omega + \omega) [-\hat{e}_x^0 \cos(\Omega + \omega)t \\ &+ \hat{e}_y^0 \sin(\Omega + \omega)t] \\ &= \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{inert}} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Important points: \vec{A} , $\left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{inert}}$, $\left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}\right)_{\text{body}}$ are all well-defined vectors.

Can express any of them in any frame

Work on simplifying $\frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt}$

$$\frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt} = \sum_j \left(\frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt} \cdot \hat{e}_j \right) \hat{e}_j$$

$$\text{Define } \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt} \cdot \hat{e}_j = \omega_{ij} = \omega_{ij}(t)$$

$$\text{So } \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt} = \sum_j \omega_{ij} \hat{e}_j$$

However, we require $\hat{e}_i \cdot \hat{e}_j = \delta_{ij}$ always

$$\text{So } \frac{d}{dt} (\hat{e}_i \cdot \hat{e}_j) = 0$$

Constrains ω_{ij} :

$$\frac{d}{dt} (\hat{e}_i \cdot \hat{e}_i) = 2 \hat{e}_i \cdot \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt} = \omega_{ii} = 0$$

If $i \neq j$: $\frac{d}{dt}(\hat{e}_i \cdot \hat{e}_j) = \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt} \cdot \hat{e}_j + \hat{e}_i \cdot \frac{d\hat{e}_j}{dt}$

$$= \omega_{ij} + \omega_{ji} = 0$$

$$\omega_{ij} = -\omega_{ji}$$

ω_{ij} is anti-symmetric matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega_{12} & \omega_{13} \\ -\omega_{12} & 0 & \omega_{23} \\ -\omega_{13} & -\omega_{23} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Three indep values,
same as a vector

Define $\vec{\omega} = [\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3]$

by $\omega_1 = \omega_{23}$
 $\omega_2 = -\omega_{13}$
 $\omega_3 = \omega_{12}$

Rewrite $\frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt} = \sum_j \omega_{ij} \hat{e}_j$ in terms of $\vec{\omega}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\hat{e}_1}{dt} &= \omega_{11} \hat{e}_1 + \omega_{12} \hat{e}_2 + \omega_{13} \hat{e}_3 \\ &= 0 + \omega_3 \hat{e}_2 - \omega_2 \hat{e}_3 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $\frac{d\hat{e}_2}{dt} = -\omega_3 \hat{e}_1 + \omega_1 \hat{e}_3$

$$\frac{d\hat{e}_3}{dt} = \omega_2 \hat{e}_1 - \omega_1 \hat{e}_2$$

Express all three as $\frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt} = \vec{\omega} \times \hat{e}_i$

Good things to know:

If M is anti-symmetric 3×3 matrix

$$\text{and } \vec{c} = M\vec{b}$$

can write $\vec{c} = \vec{m} \times \vec{b}$ for \vec{m} defined as above

Can similarly write cross product as matrix

So here, have

$$\left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{inertial}} = \left(\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \right)_{\text{body}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}$$

Identify $\vec{\omega}$ as instantaneous angular velocity
of rotating frame

- direction = rotation axis
- magnitude = rotation rate

Note that $\vec{\omega} = \vec{\omega}(t)$ in general

Apply to mechanics: $\vec{A} \rightarrow \vec{r}$ = position of particle

$$\text{So } \left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right)_{\text{inert}} = \left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right)_{\text{body}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}$$

Relates velocities

Accelerations:

$$\left(\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} \right)_{\text{inert}} = \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right)_{\text{body}} \left[\left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right)_{\text{body}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} \right] \\ + \vec{\omega} \times \left[\left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right)_{\text{body}} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} \right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} \right)_{\text{body}} + 2 \vec{\omega} \times \left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right)_{\text{body}} + \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r}$$

$$+ \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})$$

$$\rightarrow \left(\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \right)_{\text{body}} = \left(\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \right)_{\text{inert}}$$

We know $m \left(\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} \right)_{\text{inert}} = \vec{F}$ total force

So

$$m \left(\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} \right)_{\text{body}} = \vec{F} - 2m \vec{\omega} \times \left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right)_{\text{body}} - m \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) - m \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r}$$

Newton's Law in rotating frame

Extra terms look like forces

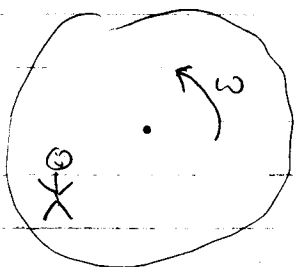
Special names

$$-2m \vec{\omega} \times \left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right) = \text{Coriolis force}$$

$$-\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) = \text{centrifugal force}$$

Consider each term

Simple picture: child on merry-go-round

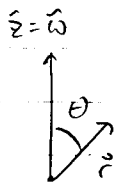


Centrifugal force:

Pushes child away from center

$$\vec{F}_{\text{cent}} = -\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})$$

Express in cylindrical coords, for $\hat{z} \propto \vec{\omega}$



$$\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} = \omega r \sin \theta \hat{\phi}$$

$$\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) = \omega^2 r \sin \theta \underbrace{\hat{z} \times \hat{\phi}}_{\leftarrow \text{vector}}$$

$$\text{Have } \rho = r \sin \theta \quad \hat{\rho} = \rightarrow$$

$$\text{So } \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) = -\omega^2 \rho \hat{\rho}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{cent}} = m \omega^2 \rho \hat{\rho}$$

Push away from axis of rotation

Coriolis:

If child throws ball, path seems to curve

$$\vec{F}_{\text{cor}} = -2m \vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} \quad (\vec{v} = (\vec{v})_{\text{body}})$$

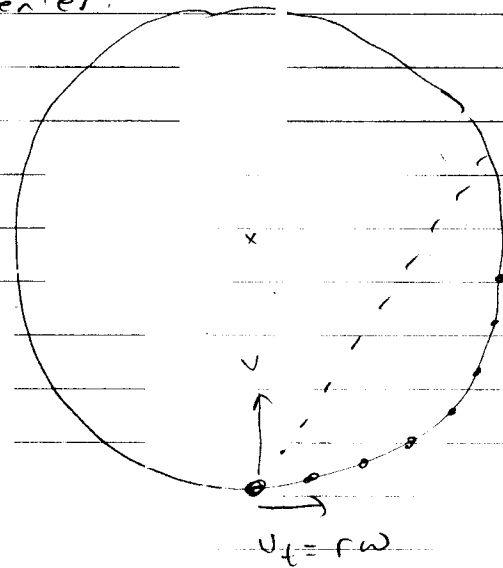
Appears when move \perp to $\vec{\omega}$

Direction: \perp to \vec{v} and $\vec{\omega}$

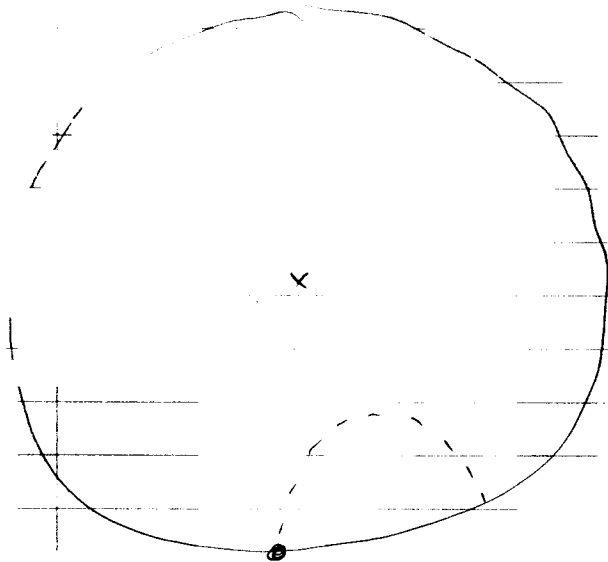
Example, throw ball towards center:

Inertial frame:

In inertial frame,
moves in straight line
Not toward center due
to initial v_t



Rotating frame



Check direction:

$$\vec{F}_{\text{cor}} \propto -\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}$$

$$\vec{\omega} = \odot$$

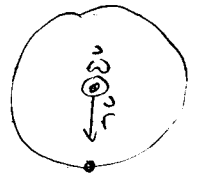
$$\vec{v} = \uparrow$$

$$\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} = \leftarrow$$

$$-\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} = \rightarrow, \text{ correct}$$

Finally, $-m \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r}$

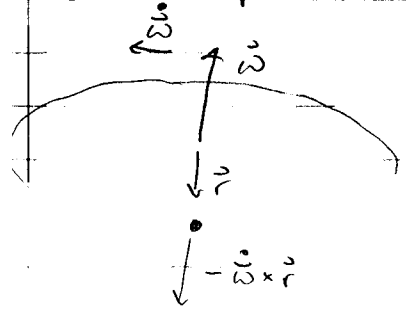
Effect: if merry-go-round speeding up, $\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt}$ a \odot



$\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r} = \odot \times \downarrow = \rightarrow$
 $-\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r} = \leftarrow$

This is just reaction force for tangential acceleration

More complicated if direction of $\vec{\omega}$ changing



If $\vec{\omega}$ moving \leftarrow
force points \downarrow

Because mass needs to accelerate up to stay on platform

In general, get one more extra force
What if body frame also accelerating?

Say origin of body frame at \vec{R} relative to inertial frame

So $\vec{r}_0 = \vec{R} + \vec{r}$
position in inertial frame position in body frame

$\left(\frac{d^2\vec{r}_0}{dt^2}\right)_{inert} = \left(\frac{d^2\vec{R}}{dt^2}\right)_{inert} + \left(\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2}\right)_{inert}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Or } \left(\frac{d^2 \vec{r}_0}{dt^2} \right)_{\text{inert}} &= \left[\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} \right]_{\text{inert}} + \left(\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \right) \times \vec{r} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{m} \vec{F}
 \end{aligned}$$

So complete equation of motion is

$$\left[m \left(\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} \right)_{\text{body}} = \vec{F} - m \left(\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} \right)_{\text{inert}} - 2m \vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} - m \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) - m \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r} \right]$$

$\frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2}$ term is usual reaction force

pushes you back in seat when car accelerates

Note: Book uses \vec{a} instead of \vec{R} for position of origin

No good! Easy to think $\vec{a} = \text{acceleration}$

So I'll use \vec{R} : don't get confused!

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Again, delay midterm one week?