

Physics 101

Lecture 15

Friday, Feb. 6, 2004.

Topics: Rotational Kinematics
 Linear and Rotational Quantities
 Rolling Motion

Ref: 10-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

Note: capa set #4: Due. Feb. 19. (Thur).

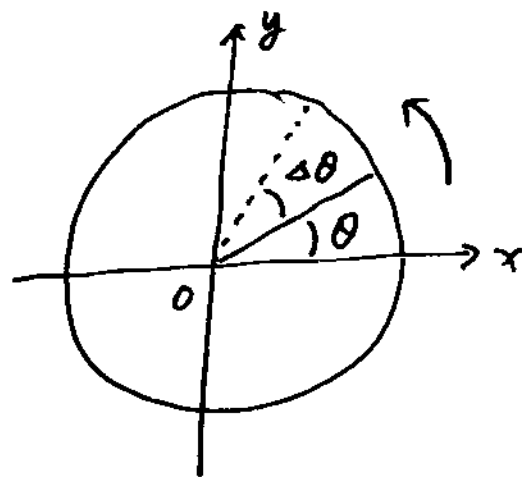
• Rotational Kinematics

angular position: θ

angular displacement: $\Delta\theta$

$\Delta\theta$: + . c.c.w. 
 (R.H. out) 

- c.w. 
 (R.H. in) 



angular velocity: $\omega = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta t}$

angular acceleration: $\alpha = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta\omega}{\Delta t}$

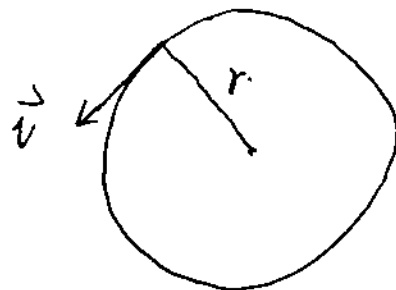
- Linear velocity $\vec{v}$

Direction: tangential.

magnitude:

$$v = \frac{\Delta s}{\Delta t} = \frac{r \cdot \Delta \theta}{\Delta t} = r \cdot \omega$$

(as $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$)

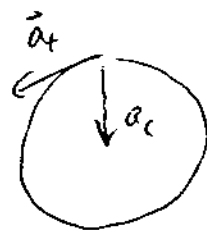


- Acceleration $\vec{a}$ consists of two parts.
(Two components)

<1>. Centripetal acceleration:

$$a_c = \frac{v^2}{r} = \frac{(r\omega)^2}{r} = r \cdot \omega^2$$

direction: centre-seeking.
(changes the direction of $\vec{v}$)



<2>. tangential acceleration.

$$a_t = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{\Delta(r\omega)}{\Delta t} = r \cdot \frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta t} = r \cdot \alpha \quad (\Delta t \rightarrow 0)$$

direction: tangential

(changes the magnitude of $\vec{v}$ (speed))

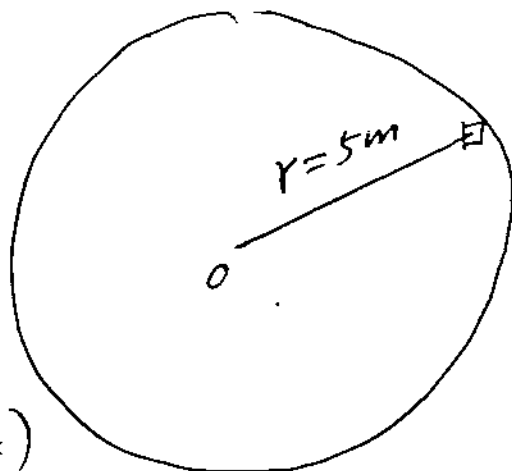
Total acceleration: $\vec{a} = \vec{a}_c + \vec{a}_t$

e.g: Carousel $r = 5\text{ m}$

given: $t = 0$. rest .

$t = 10\text{ s}$. 1 rev. per 5 sec.
(ω)

$\alpha = \text{const.}$



Question: $a_t = ?$ (tangential acc).

[solution]: $a_t = r \cdot \alpha$. — we need α .

for constant α : $\alpha = \alpha_{av} = \frac{\Delta\omega}{\Delta t} = \frac{\omega_f - \omega_i}{\Delta t}$

now: $\Delta t = 10\text{ (s)}$.

$\omega_i = 0$.

$\omega_f = 1\text{ rev}/5\text{ sec} = \frac{1\text{ rev}}{5\text{ sec}} \cdot \frac{2\pi\text{ (rad)}}{1\text{ rev}} = \frac{2\pi}{5}\text{ rad/sec}$.

$\therefore \alpha = \frac{\frac{2\pi}{5} - 0}{10} = \frac{\pi}{25}\text{ rad/s}^2$.

$a_t = r \cdot \alpha = 5 \cdot \frac{\pi}{25} = \frac{\pi}{5} = 0.63\text{ m/s}^2$.

$= \text{const.}$

Note: a is not a constant .

$a = \sqrt{a_c^2 + a_t^2}$.

where $a_c = \frac{v^2}{r} = r \cdot \omega^2$.

Since ω is varying .

a_c and a must be varying .

15-5.

• Rotational Kinetic Energy
and Moment of Inertia

$$K = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m r^2 \omega^2$$

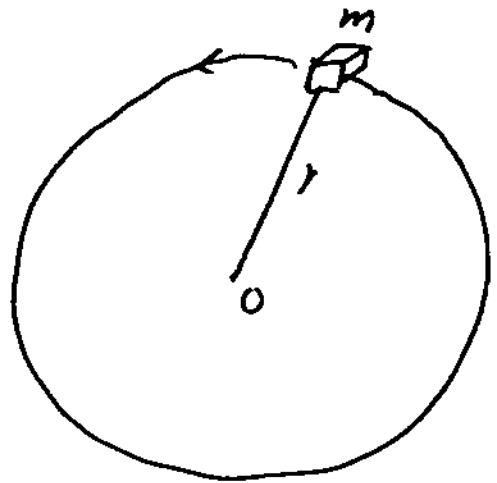
$$= \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2$$

where $I = m r^2$ } called

Moment of Inertia .

(Similar to mass in linear motion)

$$K = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$



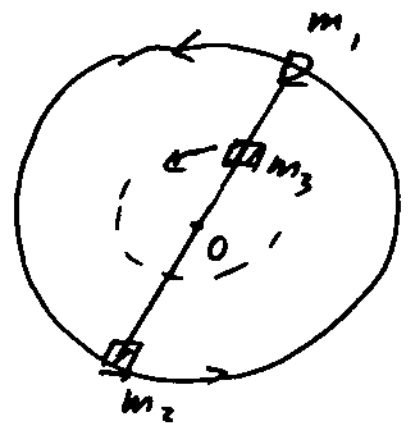
• Many-body :

$$K = \frac{1}{2} m_1 v_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 v_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_3 v_3^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m_1 r_1^2 \omega_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 r_2^2 \omega_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_3 r_3^2 \omega_3^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (m_1 r_1^2 + m_2 r_2^2 + m_3 r_3^2) \omega^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2$$



$$\omega_1 = \omega_2 = \omega_3 = \omega .$$

Common angular velocity

$I = \sum m_i r_i^2$ — Total
moment of inertia .

- How mass distribution affects the total moment of inertia.

$$I = \sum m_i r_i^2.$$

To increase I , make m_i farther away from the axis of rotation.

To ~~de~~ reduce I , put m_i close to the axis of rotation.

e.g.: Figure skating

