# Mechanics <br> Rotational Kinematics 

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## Last time

- ballistic pendulum
- 2-D collisions (not on test)
- rotational quantities


## Overview

- relation of angular to translational quantities
- rotational kinematics
- torque (?)


## Angular Quantities

change in angle, $\Delta \theta$
angular speed, $\omega=\frac{\mathrm{d} \theta}{\mathrm{dt}}$
angular acceleration, $\alpha=\frac{\mathrm{d} \omega}{\mathrm{dt}} \quad\left(\mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}^{2}\right)$

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The angle can be positive or negative depending on whether it is clockwise or counterclockwise from the reference point.

This is the same way that a 1-dimensional displacement $x$ can be positive or negative based on whether it is on the left or right of the origin.

## Rotation of Rigid Objects and Vector Quantities

By convention, we define the counterclockwise direction to be positive. The vector itself is drawn along the axis of rotation.


Then we can write:

$$
\boldsymbol{\theta}=\frac{s}{r} \hat{\mathbf{n}} ; \boldsymbol{\omega}=\frac{\mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{\theta}}{\mathrm{dt}} ; \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha}=\frac{\mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{\omega}}{\mathrm{dt}}
$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$ is a unit vector perpendicular to the plane of rotation.

## Comparison of Linear and Rotational quantities

Linear Quantities Rotational Quantities

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
x & \theta \\
v=\frac{d x}{d t} & \omega=\frac{d \theta}{d t} \\
\mathbf{a}=\frac{d v}{d t} & \boldsymbol{\alpha}=\frac{\mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{\omega}}{\mathrm{dt}}
\end{array}
$$

## Rotational Kinematics

If $\alpha$ is constant, we have basically the same kinematics equations as before, but the relations are between the new quantities.

$$
\begin{gathered}
\omega_{f}=\omega_{i}+\alpha t \\
\theta_{f}=\theta_{i}+\omega_{i} t+\frac{1}{2} \alpha t^{2} \\
\omega_{f}^{2}=\omega_{i}^{2}+2 \alpha \cdot \Delta \theta \\
\omega_{\mathrm{avg}}=\frac{1}{2}\left(\omega_{i}+\omega_{f}\right) \\
\theta_{f}=\theta_{i}+\frac{1}{2}\left(\omega_{i}+\omega_{f}\right) t
\end{gathered}
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## Kinematics Comparison

> Linear Quantities

$$
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$$

$$
\mathbf{x}_{f}=\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{i}}+\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{i}} t+\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a} t^{2}
$$

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## Relating Rotational Quantities to Translation of Points

Consider a point on the rotating object. How does its speed relate to the angular speed?


We know $s=r \theta$, so since the object's speed is its speed along the path s,

$$
v=\frac{\mathrm{ds}}{\mathrm{dt}}=r \frac{\mathrm{~d} \theta}{\mathrm{dt}}
$$

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Notice that the above equation gives the rate of change of speed, which is the tangential acceleration.

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For a rigid object, the force that supplies this acceleration will be some internal forces between the mass at the rotating point and the other masses in the object. Those are the forces that hold the object together.

## Example 1

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5. A wheel starts from rest and rotates with constant W angular acceleration to reach an angular speed of $12.0 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}$ in 3.00 s . Find (a) the magnitude of the angular acceleration of the wheel and (b) the angle in radians through which it rotates in this time interval.

## Example 1

Known: $\omega_{i}, \omega_{f}, t$
(a) Angular accel., $\alpha$ ?

$$
\begin{aligned}
\omega_{f} & =\omega_{i}+\alpha t \\
\alpha & =\frac{\omega_{f}-\omega_{i}}{t} \\
\alpha & =\frac{12.0 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}-0}{3.00 \mathrm{~s}} \\
\alpha & =4.00 \mathrm{rad} \mathrm{~s}^{-2}
\end{aligned}
$$

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Known: $\omega_{i}, \omega_{f}, t, \alpha$
(b) Angle in radians, $\Delta \theta$ ?

Either use

$$
\Delta \theta=\omega_{i} t+\frac{1}{2} \alpha t^{2}=0+\frac{1}{2}(4)(3)^{2}=18 \text { radians }
$$

or use

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Delta \theta & =\frac{1}{2}\left(\omega_{i}+\omega_{f}\right) t \\
\Delta \theta & =\frac{1}{2}(0+12.0)(3.00) \\
& =18.0 \text { radians }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Example 2

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8. A machine part rotates at an angular speed of $0.060 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}$; its speed is then increased to $2.2 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}$ at an angular acceleration of $0.70 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$. (a) Find the angle through which the part rotates before reaching this final speed. (b) If both the initial and final angular speeds are doubled and the angular acceleration remains the same, by what factor is the angular displacement changed? Why?

## Example 2

Known: $\omega_{i}, \omega_{f}, \alpha$
(a) $\Delta \theta$ ?

$$
\begin{aligned}
\omega_{f}^{2} & =\omega_{i}^{2}+2 \alpha \Delta \theta \\
\Delta \theta & =\frac{\omega_{f}^{2}-\omega_{i}^{2}}{2 \alpha} \\
& =\frac{(2.2)^{2}-(0.060)^{2}}{2 \times 0.70} \\
& =3.5 \mathrm{rad}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Example 2

(b) If both $\omega_{i}$ and $\omega_{f}$ are doubled, $\alpha$ kept constant, what happens to $\Delta \theta$ ?

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Delta \theta^{\prime} & =\frac{\left(2 \times \omega_{f}\right)^{2}-\left(2 \times \omega_{i}\right)^{2}}{2 \alpha} \\
& =4 \frac{\omega_{f}^{2}-\omega_{i}^{2}}{2 \alpha} \\
& =4 \Delta \theta
\end{aligned}
$$

## Torque

Torque is a measure of force-causing-rotation.
It is not a force, but it is related. It depends on a force vector and its point of application relative to an axis of rotation.

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Units: N m Newton-meters. These are not Joules!

## Torque



$$
\boldsymbol{\tau}=\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}=r F \sin \phi \hat{\mathbf{n}}
$$

where $\phi$ is the angle between $\mathbf{r}$ and $\mathbf{F}$, and $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$ is the unit vector perpendicular to $\mathbf{r}$ and $\mathbf{F}$, as determined by the right-hand rule.

## Vectors Properties and Operations

## Multiplication by a vector:

## The Cross Product

Let $\mathbf{A}=A_{x} \mathbf{i}+A_{y} \mathbf{j}$
$\mathbf{B}=B_{x} \mathbf{i}+B_{y} \mathbf{j}$,

$$
\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}=\left(A_{x} B_{y}-A_{y} B_{x}\right) \mathbf{k}
$$

The output of this operation is a vector.

Equivalently,


$$
\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}=A B \sin \theta \hat{\mathbf{n}}_{\mathbf{A B}}
$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{n}}_{\mathbf{A B}}$ is a unit vector perpendicular to $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$.

## Vectors Properties and Operations

(See page 336 in Serway and Jewett.)

## The Cross Product - with $k$ components

In general: $\mathbf{A}=A_{x} \mathbf{i}+A_{y} \mathbf{j}+A_{z} \mathbf{k}$

$$
\mathbf{B}=B_{x} \mathbf{i}+B_{y} \mathbf{j}+B_{z} \mathbf{k},
$$

$$
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$$

How do we usually implement this formula?
Via the determinant of a matrix:

$$
\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}=\left|\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\
A_{x} & A_{y} & A_{z} \\
B_{x} & B_{y} & B_{z}
\end{array}\right|
$$

## Vector Operations: Cross Product Practice

Try it yourself! Find $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$ when:

$$
\mathbf{A}=1 \mathbf{i}+2 \mathbf{j}+3 \mathbf{k} ; \quad B=-1 \mathbf{i}-4 \mathbf{j}+5 \mathbf{k}
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## Properties

- The cross product is not commutative: $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} \neq \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A}$. In fact, it is anticommutative because $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}=-(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A})$.
- If $\mathbf{A} \| \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}=0$.
- If $\mathbf{A} \perp \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}=A B \hat{\mathbf{n}}_{\mathbf{A B}}$.


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## Torque

Diagram also illustrates two points of view about torque:


$$
\boldsymbol{\tau}=r(F \sin \phi) \hat{\boldsymbol{n}}
$$

or

$$
\boldsymbol{\tau}=F(r \sin \phi) \hat{\mathbf{n}}
$$

In the diagram, the distance $d=r \sin \phi$ and is called the "moment arm" or "lever arm" of the torque.

## Torque

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No torque:


## Question



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${ }^{1}$ Image from Harbor Freight Tools, www.harborfreight.com

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## Summary

- relation of angular to translational quantities
- rotational kinematics
- torque (?)


## 2nd Test tomorrow.

## Homework

- set yesterday: Ch 10 Probs: 2, 7, 9, 13, 19, 29 (won't be on 2nd test)

