

# Extended or Composite Systems: Deformation Rotational Motion: Rotational Kinematics

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#### Last Time

- center of mass tricks and examples
- systems of many particles

## **Overview**

- deforming systems
- rotation
- rotational kinematics

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<sup>1</sup>Image from http://northdallasgazette.com

In a system that is deformed, the positions of the masses of particles may change relative to the center of mass, but we can still study the system by considering what happens to the center of mass.



#### Deformable Systems Problem, pg 288, #59

Below is an overhead view of the initial configuration of two pucks of mass *m* on frictionless ice. The pucks are tied together with a string of length  $\ell$ , and negligible mass. At time t = 0, a constant force of magnitude *F* begins to pull to the right on the center point of the string. At time *t*, the moving pucks strike each other and stick together. At this time, the force has moved through a distance *d*, and the pucks have attained a speed *v*. (a) What is *v* in terms of *F*, *d*,  $\ell$ , and *m*? (b) How much of the energy transferred into the system by work done by the force has been transformed to internal energy?



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$$a_{\rm CM} = \frac{F}{2m}$$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2a_{CM} \Delta x_{CM}$$
  

$$v_f^2 = 0 + 2\left(\frac{F}{2m}\right)\left(d - \frac{\ell}{2}\right)$$
  

$$v_f = \sqrt{\frac{2Fd - F\ell}{2m}}$$

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$$\Delta E_{int} = W - K_f$$
  
=  $Fd - \frac{1}{2}(2m)v^2$   
=  $Fd - \frac{1}{2}(2m)\frac{2Fd - F\ell}{2m}$   
=  $Fd - Fd + F\frac{\ell}{2}$   
=  $\frac{1}{2}F\ell$ 

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Units for  $\theta$ : radians. Often written as "rad". But notice, that a dimensional analysis gives  $\frac{[m]}{[m]} = 1$ , unitless! The radian is an artificial unit. In fact, angles given in radians are dimensionless.

### **Rotation of Rigid Objects**

How does the angle advance in time?



$$\Delta \theta = \theta_f - \theta_i$$

### **Angular Speed**

Rate at which the angle advances is a speed: the angular speed,  $\omega$ .

Average angular speed:

$$\omega_{\mathsf{avg}} = rac{\theta_f - \theta_i}{t_f - t_i} = rac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t}$$

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#### **Angular Acceleration**

Rate at which the angular speed changes: the angular acceleration,  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}.$ 

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

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



Then we can write:

$$\vec{\theta} = \frac{s}{r}\hat{n}$$
;  $\vec{\omega} = \frac{d\vec{\theta}}{dt}$ ;  $\vec{\alpha} = \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt}$ 

where  $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$  is a unit vector perpendicular to the plane of rotation. (Assuming we fix the axis of rotation.)

## **Comparison of Linear and Rotational quantities**

Linear Quantities Rotational Quantities



#### **Rotational Kinematics**

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

$$\vec{\omega}_{f} = \vec{\omega}_{i} + \vec{\alpha}t$$

$$\vec{\theta}_{f} = \vec{\theta}_{i} + \vec{\omega}_{i}t + \frac{1}{2}\vec{\alpha}t^{2}$$

$$\omega_{f}^{2} = \omega_{i}^{2} + 2\vec{\alpha}\cdot\vec{\Delta\theta}$$

$$\vec{\omega}_{avg} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{\omega}_{i} + \vec{\omega}_{f})$$

$$\vec{\theta}_{f} = \vec{\theta}_{i} + \frac{1}{2}(\vec{\omega}_{i} + \vec{\omega}_{f})t$$

## **Kinematics Comparison**



(The rotational equations can all be proved in an analogous way to the linear ones.)

## Using Rotational Kinematics Equations: Example 1

## Page 325, #5

5. A wheel starts from rest and rotates with constant w angular acceleration to reach an angular speed of 12.0 rad/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.

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$$w_f = w_i + \alpha t$$

$$\alpha = \frac{w_f - w_i}{t}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{12.0 \text{ rad/s} - 0}{3.00 \text{ s}}$$

$$\alpha = 4.00 \text{ rad s}^{-2}$$

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

or use

$$\Delta \theta = \frac{1}{2}(\omega_i + \omega_f)t$$
$$\Delta \theta = \frac{1}{2}(0 + 12.0)(3.00)$$
$$= 18.0 \text{ radians}$$

## Using Rotational Kinematics Equations: Example 2

## Page 325, #8

8. A machine part rotates at an angular speed of 0.060 rad/s; its speed is then increased to 2.2 rad/s at an angular acceleration of 0.70 rad/s<sup>2</sup>. (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?

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$$\Delta\theta = \frac{\omega_f^2 - \omega_i^2}{2\alpha}$$
$$= \frac{(2.2)^2 - (0.060)^2}{2 \times 0.70}$$
$$= 3.5 \text{ rad}$$

(b) If both  $\omega_i$  and  $\omega_f$  are doubled,  $\alpha$  kept constant, what happens to  $\Delta \theta$ ?

$$\Delta \theta' = \frac{(2 \times \omega_f)^2 - (2 \times \omega_i)^2}{2\alpha}$$
$$= 4 \frac{\omega_f^2 - \omega_i^2}{2\alpha}$$
$$= 4 \Delta \theta$$

## **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.

## Summary

- deformations
- rotation
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## Quiz Friday (tomorrow).

## (Uncollected) Homework Serway & Jewett,

- Look at example 9.15 on page 275.
- Ch 9, onward from page 288. Probs: 51, 55, 57, 92
- Ch 10, Probs: 7, 11, 15, 17, 19, 21, 25 (will not be on quiz)