

## Solution:

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\begin{aligned}
x_{\mathrm{CM}} & =\frac{1}{M} \sum_{i} m_{i} x_{i}=\frac{m_{1} x_{1}+m_{2} x_{2}+m_{3} x_{3}}{m_{1}+m_{2}+m_{3}} \\
& =\frac{(1.0 \mathrm{~kg})(1.0 \mathrm{~m})+(1.0 \mathrm{~kg})(2.0 \mathrm{~m})+(2.0 \mathrm{~kg})(0)}{1.0 \mathrm{~kg}+1.0 \mathrm{~kg}+2.0 \mathrm{~kg}}=\frac{3.0 \mathrm{~kg} \cdot \mathrm{~m}}{4.0 \mathrm{~kg}}=0.75 \mathrm{~m} \\
y_{\mathrm{CM}} & =\frac{1}{M} \sum_{i} m_{i} y_{i}=\frac{m_{1} y_{1}+m_{2} y_{2}+m_{3} y_{3}}{m_{1}+m_{2}+m_{3}} \\
& =\frac{(1.0 \mathrm{~kg})(0)+(1.0 \mathrm{~kg})(0)+(2.0 \mathrm{~kg})(2.0 \mathrm{~m})}{4.0 \mathrm{~kg}}=\frac{4.0 \mathrm{~kg} \cdot \mathrm{~m}}{4.0 \mathrm{~kg}}=1.0 \mathrm{~m} \\
\overrightarrow{\mathbf{r}}_{\mathrm{CM}} & =x_{\mathrm{CM}} \hat{\mathrm{i}}+y_{\mathrm{CM}} \hat{\mathrm{j}}=(0.75 \hat{\mathbf{i}}+1.0 \hat{\mathbf{j}}) \mathrm{m}
\end{aligned}
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## Example (9.5):

(A) Show that the center of mass of a rod of mass (M) and length $(L)$ lies midway between its ends, assuming the rod has a uniform mass per unit length.

## Solution:

The mass per unit length (this quantity is called the linear mass density) can be written as $\lambda=M / L$ for the uniform rod. If the rod is divided into elements of length $d x$, the mass of each element is $d m=\lambda d x$.

Use equation (9.27) to find an expression for $x_{\mathrm{CM}}$ :

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\begin{aligned}
& x_{\mathrm{CM}}=\frac{1}{M} \int x d m=\frac{1}{M} \int_{0}^{L} x \lambda d x=\left.\frac{\lambda}{M} \frac{x^{2}}{2}\right|_{0} ^{L}=\frac{\lambda L^{2}}{2 M} \\
& x_{\mathrm{CM}}=\frac{L^{2}}{2 M}\left(\frac{M}{L}\right)=\frac{1}{2} L
\end{aligned}
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(B) Suppose a rod is non-uniform such that its mass per unit length varies linearly with $x$ according to the expression $\lambda=\alpha x$, where $\alpha$ is a constant. Find the $x$ coordinate of the center of mass as a fraction of $L$.

Solution: In this case, we replace ( $d m$ ) in equation (9.27) by ( $\lambda d x$ ), where $\lambda=\alpha x$.

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x_{\mathrm{CM}} & =\frac{1}{M} \int x d m=\frac{1}{M} \int_{0}^{L} x \lambda d x=\frac{1}{M} \int_{0}^{L} x \alpha x d x \\
& =\frac{\alpha}{M} \int_{0}^{L} x^{2} d x=\frac{\alpha L^{3}}{3 M} \\
M & =\int d m=\int_{0}^{L} \lambda d x=\int_{0}^{L} \alpha x d x=\frac{\alpha L^{2}}{2} \\
x_{\mathrm{CM}} & =\frac{\alpha L^{3}}{3 \alpha L^{2} / 2}=\frac{2}{3} L
\end{aligned}
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Notice that the center of mass in part $(B)$ is farther to the right than that in part (A).

## Chapter 10

## (Rotational motion)

### 10.1 Angular Position, Velocity, and Acceleration

Figure (10.1) illustrates a rotating compact disc, or CD. The disc rotates about a fixed axis perpendicular to the plane of the figure and passing through the center of the disc at $O$. A small element of the disc modeled as a particle at $P$ is at a fixed distance ( $r$ ) from the origin and rotates about it in a circle of radius $r$. (In fact, every element of the disc undergoes circular motion about $O$ ). It is convenient to represent the position of $(P)$ with its polar coordinates $(r, \theta)$, where $r$ is the distance from the origin to $P$ and $\theta$ is measured counterclockwise from some reference line fixed in space as shown in figure (10.1a).

In this representation, the angle $\theta$ changes in time while $r$ remains constant. As the particle moves along the circle from the reference line, which is at angle $\theta=0$, it moves through an arc of length $s$ as in figure (10.1b).
The arc length $s$ is related to the angle $\theta$ through the relationship:

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\begin{align*}
& s=r \theta  \tag{10.1}\\
& \theta=\frac{s}{r}
\end{align*}
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Because $\theta$ is the ratio of an arc length and the radius of the circle, it is a pure number.

We give $\theta$ the artificial unit radian (rad).

- Because the circumference of a circle is $2 \pi r$,


Figure 10.1 A compact disc rotating about a fixed axis through $O$ perpendicular to the plane of the figure. it follows from equation (10.1) that:
$360^{\circ}$ corresponds to an angle of $(2 \pi r / r) \mathrm{rad}=2 \pi \mathrm{rad}$.


Hence, $1 \mathrm{rad}=360^{\circ} / 2 \pi=57.3^{\circ}$.

- To convert an angle in degrees to an angle in radians, we use :

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\pi \mathrm{rad}=180^{\circ}
$$

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\text { so }, \quad \theta(\mathrm{rad})=\pi / 180^{\circ}(\text { degree })
$$

For example $\quad 60^{\circ}=(\pi / 3) \mathrm{rad}$ and $45^{\circ}=(\pi / 4) \mathrm{rad}$.

- We choose a reference line on the object, such as a line connecting $O$ and a chosen particle on the object.

The angular position of the rigid object is (the angle $\theta$ between this reference line on the object and the fixed reference line in space), which is often chosen as the $x$-axis.

- As the particle travels from position (A) to position (B) in a time interval $\Delta t$ as in figure (10.2), the reference line fixed to the object sweeps out an angle $\Delta \theta=\theta_{f}-\theta_{i}$. This quantity $\Delta \theta$ is defined as the angular displacement of the rigid object:

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\Delta \theta=\theta_{f}-\theta_{i}
$$

- The average angular speed ( $\omega_{\text {avg }}$ ) (Greek letter omega) as (the ratio of the angular displacement of a rigid object to the time interval $\Delta t$ during which the displacement occurs):


Figure 10.2 A particle on a rotaling rigid object moves from (A) to (B) along the arc of a circle. In the time interval $\Delta t=t_{f}-t_{t}$, the radial line of length $r$ moves through an angular displacement $\Delta \theta=\theta_{f}-\theta_{\mathrm{r}}$
$\omega_{\mathrm{avg}} \equiv \frac{\theta_{f}-\theta_{i}}{t_{f}-t_{i}}=\frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t} \quad$ Average angular speed
$\square$

- The instantaneous angular speed $\omega$ is defined as (the limit of the average angular speed as $\Delta t$ approaches zero):

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\begin{equation*}
\omega \equiv \lim _{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t}=\frac{d \theta}{d t} \quad \text { Instantaneous angular speed } \tag{10.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Angular speed has units of radians per second (rad/s), which can be written as $\left(\mathrm{s}^{-1}\right)$ because radians are not dimensional.

- We take $(\omega)$ to be positive when $\theta$ is increasing (counterclockwise motion in figure 10.2) and negative when $\theta$ is decreasing (clockwise motion in figure 10.2).
- If the instantaneous angular speed of an object changes from $\omega_{i}$ to $\omega_{f}$ in the time interval $\Delta t$, the object has an angular acceleration. The average angular acceleration $\alpha_{\text {avg }}$ (Greek letter alpha) of a rotating rigid object is defined as (the ratio of the change in the angular speed to the time interval $\Delta t$ during which the change in the angular speed occurs):

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\begin{equation*}
\alpha_{\mathrm{avg}} \equiv \frac{\omega_{f}-\omega_{i}}{t_{f}-t_{i}}=\frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta t} \quad \text { Average angular acceleration } \tag{10.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

The instantaneous angular acceleration is defined as the limit of the average angular acceleration as $\Delta t$ approaches zero:

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\begin{equation*}
\alpha \equiv \lim _{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta t}=\frac{d \omega}{d t} \quad \text { Instantaneous angular acceleration } \tag{10.5}
\end{equation*}
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- Angular acceleration has units of radians per second squared $\left(\mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}^{2}\right)$, or simply $\left(\mathrm{s}^{-2}\right)$.
- Notice that $(\alpha)$ is positive when a rigid object rotating counterclockwise is speeding up or when a rigid object rotating clockwise is slowing down during some time interval.

- It is convenient to use the right-hand rule demonstrated in figure (10.3) to determine the direction of $\vec{\omega}$ :
( When the four fingers of the right hand are wrapped in the direction of rotation, the extended right thumb points in the direction of $\vec{\omega}$ ).
- The direction of $\vec{\alpha}$ follows from its definition $(\vec{\alpha} \equiv d \vec{\omega} / d t)$. It is in the same direction as $\vec{\omega}$ if the angular speed is increasing in time, and it is antiparallel to $\vec{\omega}$ if the angular speed is decreasing in time.


Figure 10.3 The right-hand rule for determining the direction of the angular velocity vector.

### 10.2 Rigid Object under Constant Angular Acceleration

Writing equation (10.5) in the form: $(d \omega=\alpha d t)$ and integrating from $t_{i}=0$ to $t_{f}=t$ gives:

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\begin{equation*}
\omega_{f}=\omega_{i}+\alpha t \quad \text { for constant } \tag{10.6}
\end{equation*}
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Where $\omega_{i}$ is the angular speed of the rigid object at time $t=0$. Equation (10.6) allows us to find the angular speed $\omega_{f}$ of the object at any

later time $t$. Substituting equation (10.6) into equation (10.3) and integrating once more, we obtain:

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\begin{equation*}
\theta_{f}=\theta_{i}+\omega_{i} t+\frac{1}{2} \alpha t^{2} \quad(\text { for constant } \alpha) \tag{10.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Where $\theta_{i}$ is the angular position of the rigid object at time $t=0$.
Equation (10.7) allows us to find the angular position $\theta_{f}$ of the object at any later time $t$.

Eliminating $(t)$ from equations (10.6) and (10.7) gives:

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\begin{equation*}
\omega_{f}^{2}=\omega_{i}^{2}+2 \alpha\left(\theta_{f}-\theta_{i}\right) \quad(\text { for constant } \alpha) \tag{10.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

This equation allows us to find the angular speed $\omega_{f}$ of the rigid object for any value of its angular position $\theta_{f}$.

If we eliminate ( $\alpha$ ) between equations (10.6) and (10.7), we obtain:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\theta_{f}=\theta_{i}+\frac{1}{2}\left(\omega_{i}+\omega_{f}\right) t \quad(\text { for constant } \alpha) \tag{10.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

Notice that these kinematic expressions for the rigid object under constant angular acceleration are of the same mathematical form as those for a particle under constant acceleration (Chapter 2).

They can be generated from the equations for translational motion by making the substitutions $x \rightarrow \theta, v \rightarrow \omega$, and $a \rightarrow \alpha$.

Table (10.1) compares the kinematic equations for rotational and translational motion.

## TABLE 10.1 Kinematic Equations for

## Rotational and Translational Motion

## Rigid Body Under Constant Particle Under Constant Angular Acceleration Acceleration

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\begin{array}{rlrl}
\omega_{f} & =\omega_{i}+\alpha t & v_{f} & =v_{i}+a t \\
\theta_{f} & =\theta_{i}+\omega_{i} t+\frac{1}{2} \alpha t^{2} & x_{f} & =x_{i}+v_{i} t+\frac{1}{2} a t^{2} \\
\omega_{f}^{2} & =\omega_{i}^{2}+2 \alpha\left(\theta_{f}-\theta_{i}\right) & v_{f}^{2} & =v_{i}^{2}+2 a\left(x_{f}-x_{i}\right) \\
\theta_{f} & =\theta_{i}+\frac{1}{2}\left(\omega_{i}+\omega_{j}\right) t & x_{f} & =x_{i}+\frac{1}{2}\left(v_{i}+v_{f}\right) t \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$



## Example (10.1):

A wheel rotates with a constant angular acceleration of $\left(3.50 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}^{2}\right)$.
(A) If the angular speed of the wheel is ( $2 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}$ ) at $t_{i}=0$, through what angular displacement does the wheel rotate in 2 s ?

Solution: Arrange equation (10.7) so that it expresses the angular displacement of the object:

$$
\Delta \theta=\theta_{f}-\theta_{i}=\omega_{i} t+\frac{1}{2} \alpha t^{2}
$$

Substitute the known values to find the angular displacement at $t=2 \mathrm{~s}$ :
$\Delta \theta=(2 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s})(2 \mathrm{~s})+1 / 2\left(3.5 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}^{2}\right)(2 \mathrm{~s})^{2}=11 \mathrm{rad}$

$$
=(11 \mathrm{rad})\left(180^{\circ} / \pi \mathrm{rad}\right)=630^{\circ}
$$

(B): Through how many revolutions has the wheel turned during this time interval?

$$
\Delta \theta=630^{\circ}\left(\frac{1 \mathrm{rev}}{360^{\circ}}\right)=1.75 \mathrm{rev}
$$

(C ): What is the angular speed of the wheel at $t=2 \mathrm{~s}$ ?

$$
\begin{aligned}
\omega_{j} & =\omega_{i}+\alpha t=2.00 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}+\left(3.50 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}^{2}\right)(2.00 \mathrm{~s}) \\
& =9.00 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s}
\end{aligned}
$$

### 10.3 Angular and Translational Quantities

Point $P$ in figure (10.4) moves in a circle, the translational velocity vector $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{v}}$ is always tangent to the circular path and hence is called tangential velocity. The magnitude of the tangential velocity of the point $P$ is by definition the tangential speed $(v=d s / d t)$, where $(s)$ is the distance traveled by this point measured along the circular path.

Recalling that $s=r \theta$ and noting that $r$ is constant,

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
v=\frac{d s}{d t}=r \frac{d \theta}{d t} & \text { Because } d \theta / d t=\omega \\
\text { Then } \quad v=r \omega & (10.10) \tag{10.10}
\end{array}
$$



Figure (10.4)

We can relate the angular acceleration of the rotating rigid object to the tangential acceleration of the point $P$ by taking the time derivative of $v$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
a_{t}=\frac{d v}{d t}=r \frac{d \omega}{d t} \tag{10.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

Relation between tangential acceleration and angular acceleration

We can express the centripetal acceleration at that point in terms of angular speed as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
a_{c}=\frac{v^{2}}{r}=r \omega^{2} \tag{10.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

The total acceleration vector at the point $P$ is $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{a}}=\overrightarrow{\mathbf{a}}_{t}+\overrightarrow{\mathbf{a}}_{r}$, where the magnitude of $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{a}}_{r}$ is the centripetal acceleration $a_{c}$. Because $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{a}}$ is a vector having a radial and a tangential component, the magnitude of $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{a}}$ at the point $P$ on the rotating rigid object is:
$a=\sqrt{a_{t}^{2}+a_{r}^{2}}=\sqrt{r^{2} \alpha^{2}+r^{2} \omega^{4}}=r \sqrt{\alpha^{2}+\omega^{4}} \quad$ Total Acceleration) (10.13)

## Example (10.2):

(A) Find the angular speed of the disc in revolutions per minute when information is being read from the innermost first track ( $r=23 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) and the outermost final track ( $r=58 \mathrm{~mm}$ )? The constant speed of the CD player is $1.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$.

## Solution:

The angular speed that gives the required tangential speed at the position of the inner track:

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\begin{aligned}
\omega_{i} & =\frac{v}{r_{i}}=\frac{1.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}}{2.3 \times 10^{-2} \mathrm{~m}}=57 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s} \\
& =(57 \mathrm{rad} / \mathrm{s})\left(\frac{1 \mathrm{rev}}{2 \pi \mathrm{rad}}\right)\left(\frac{60 \mathrm{~s}}{1 \mathrm{~min}}\right)=5.4 \times 10^{2} \mathrm{rev} / \mathrm{min}
\end{aligned}
$$



