

Recall:

$$E = T + V = m\dot{r}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m r^2 \dot{\phi}^2 + mgr = E_0 = \text{Const}$$

$$H_0 = m r^2 \dot{\phi} = \text{Const} \Rightarrow \dot{\phi} = \frac{H_0}{m r^2} \quad (*)$$

Note:  $\phi$  is a cyclic coordinate (ignorable)

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \phi} = 0$$

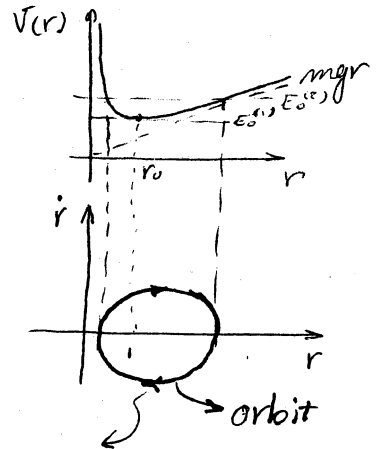
When such a coordinate present,

# DOF can be reduced by one  $\Rightarrow$  reduced mechanical system

In present case, use (\*) to obtain reduced energy

$$E = \underbrace{m\dot{r}^2}_{T(r)} + \underbrace{\frac{H_0^2}{2m} \cdot \frac{1}{r^2}}_{V(r)} + mgr = E_0$$

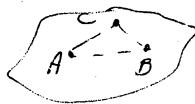
$$\dot{r} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{m} (E_0 - V(r))}$$



the only consistent direction

### Rigid Body Dynamics

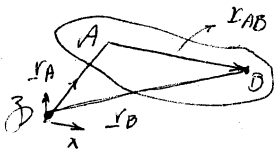
(1)



$$|r_{AB}| = \text{const}$$

(2) # DOF = 6

(3) Velocities at different points of a rigid body



$$v_B = v_A + \dot{r}_{AB}$$

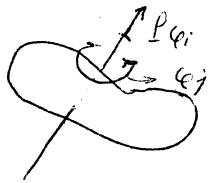
$$v_B = v_A + \dot{r}_{AB}$$

It turns out that there exist a unique vector  $\omega$  (Angular Velocity of the rigid body), such that

$$v_B = v_A + \omega \times r_{AB}$$

for all  $A \in B$

(2) If the rotation of the rigid body can be instantaneously decomposed to a finite # of rotation about "well-understood" fixed axes, then the angular velocities defined for those rotations, then  $\underline{\omega}$  is just the sum of those angular velocities.



$$\Rightarrow \underline{\omega} = \sum_{i=1}^n \underline{\omega}_i \Rightarrow \text{the order of summation is unimportant}$$

Surprising, because finite rotation in 3d don't commute

to prove (1), note that instantaneously, B performs an instantaneous rotation about A

In general rotation in 3D about a fixed point can be described through matrix multiplication.

$$\underline{e}(t) = \underline{R}(t) \underline{e}_0$$

proper orthogonal matrix

where  $R(t)$  is a

Main properties of such matrices

(a) Preserve length  $|\underline{e}(t)|^2 = |\underline{e}_0|^2$  or  $\langle \underline{R}(t)\underline{e}_0, \underline{R}(t)\underline{e}_0 \rangle = \langle \underline{e}_0, \underline{e}_0 \rangle$

In general  $\langle \underline{I} \underline{a}, \underline{b} \rangle = \langle \underline{a}, \underline{I}^T \underline{b} \rangle$   
↙ transpose of  $\underline{I}$

$$\langle \underline{e}_0, \underline{R}^T(t) \underline{R}(t) \underline{e}_0 \rangle = \langle \underline{e}_0, \underline{e}_0 \rangle$$

$\underline{I}$  (because  $\underline{e}_0$  is an identity)

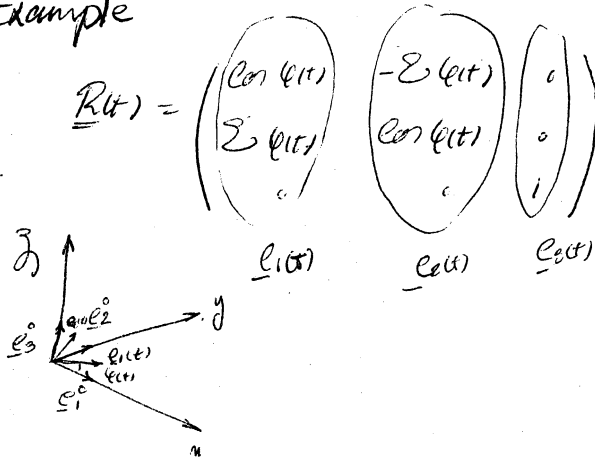
here  $\underline{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{R}^{-1} = \underline{R}^T$

$$\det(\underline{R}^T) = \det(\underline{R}) = 1 \Rightarrow |\det(\underline{R})| = 1$$

b) Preserve orientation of vectors

$$\Rightarrow \det \underline{R} > 0 \Rightarrow \det(\underline{R}(t)) = 1$$

Example



Using the above, fixing  $A$  we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt} \{ \underline{Y}_{AB}(t) = \underline{R}(t) \underline{Y}_{AB}(0) \}$$

$$\dot{\underline{Y}}_{AB} = \dot{\underline{R}} \underline{Y}_{AB}(0)$$

Note:  $\underline{R} \underline{R}^T = I \quad / \frac{d}{dt}$

$$\dot{\underline{R}} \underline{R}^T + \underline{R} \dot{\underline{R}}^T = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\underline{R}} = -\underline{R} \dot{\underline{R}}^T \underline{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\underline{Y}}_{AB} = \underline{R} \dot{\underline{R}}^T \underline{R} \underline{Y}_{AB}(0)$$

$$\underline{\Omega}^A \underline{Y}_{AB}(t)$$

$$= \underline{\Omega}^A(t) \underline{Y}_{AB}(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow [\underline{\Omega}^A(t)]^T = -\underline{\Omega}^A(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\Omega}^A(t) \text{ skew symmetric}$$

By Assignment #2, for any 3D skew symmetric matrix  $\underline{\Omega}^A$ , there exists a 3D vector  $\underline{\omega}^A$  such that  $\underline{\Omega}^A \underline{r} = \underline{\omega}^A \times \underline{r}$

$$\dot{\underline{Y}}_{AB}(t) = \underline{\Omega}^A(t) \underline{Y}_{AB}(t)$$

$$= \underline{\omega}^A(t) \times \underline{Y}_{AB}(t)$$

but  $\dot{\underline{Y}}_{AB} = \underline{Y}_B - \underline{V}_A$

~~$$\underline{V}_B = \underline{V}_A + \underline{\omega}^A \times \underline{Y}_{AB}$$~~

$$\Rightarrow \underline{V}_B = \underline{V}_A + \underline{\omega}^A \times \underline{Y}_{AB}$$

