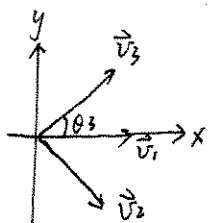


Solutions of Homework #3

3.



According to the conservation of Momentum, we have:

$$m\vec{v}_0 = \frac{m}{3} (\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 + \vec{v}_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{X direction: } mV_0 = \frac{m}{3} (V_0 + V_3 \cos \theta_3 + V_2 \cos \theta_2) & - (3.1) \\ \text{Y direction: } 0 = \frac{m}{3} (V_3 \sin \theta_3 - V_2 \sin \theta_2) & - (3.2) \end{cases}$$

And,  $\begin{cases} V_3 = V_2 & - (3.3) \end{cases}$

$\begin{cases} \theta_2 + \theta_3 = \frac{\pi}{2} & - (3.4) \end{cases}$

Combining (3.1) and (3.4), we get:  $\theta_2 = \theta_3 = \frac{\pi}{4}, V_2 = V_3 = V_0$

3.8.

(a) Because  $m\vec{v} = -m\vec{v}_{ex} - m\vec{g} = 0$

We have  $m\vec{v}_{ex} = -m\vec{g} \Rightarrow dt = -\frac{v_{ex}}{g} \cdot \frac{dm}{m} \Rightarrow t = \frac{v_{ex}}{g} \ln\left(\frac{m_0}{m_0 - \lambda m_0}\right) = \frac{v_{ex}}{g} \ln\left(\frac{1}{1-\lambda}\right)$

(b)  $v_{ex} = 3000 \text{ m/s}, \lambda = 0.1$ , we have  $\Delta t = 32.3 \text{ s}$

13.

$$m\vec{v} = -m\vec{v}_{ex} - m\vec{g} \Rightarrow \vec{v} = -\frac{m}{m} \vec{v}_{ex} - \vec{g} \Rightarrow \vec{v}(t) = -\int_0^t \frac{-k}{m_0 - kt} \vec{v}_{ex} dt - \vec{g}t = \vec{v}_{ex} \ln\left(\frac{m_0}{m_0 - kt}\right) - \vec{g}t$$

$$y(t) = \int_0^t v_y dt = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + \int_0^t v_{ex} \ln\left(\frac{m_0}{m_0 - kt}\right) dt = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 + \left(-\frac{v_{ex}}{k}\right) \int_{m_0}^{m_0 - kt} \ln\left(\frac{m_0}{m}\right) dm$$

$$\int_{m_0}^{m_0 - kt} \ln\left(\frac{m_0}{m}\right) dm = m \ln\left(\frac{m_0}{m}\right) \Big|_{m_0}^{m_0 - kt} - \int_{m_0}^{m_0 - kt} m \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{m}\right) dm = m \left(\ln\left(\frac{m_0}{m}\right) + 1\right) \Big|_{m_0}^{m_0 - kt} = m \ln\left(\frac{m_0}{m}\right) + m - m_0$$

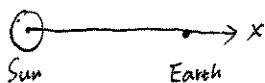
$$\Rightarrow y(t) = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2 - \frac{v_{ex}}{k} (m \ln\left(\frac{m_0}{m}\right) - kt) = v_{ex}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 - \frac{v_{ex}m}{k} \ln\left(\frac{m_0}{m}\right)$$

For  $v_{ex} = 3 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s}, m_0 = 2 \times 10^6 \text{ kg}, m = 1 \times 10^6 \text{ kg}, t = 120 \text{ s}$

We have  $k = \frac{1 \times 10^6}{120} \text{ kg/s}$

$$y \approx 3.99 \times 10^4 \text{ m}$$

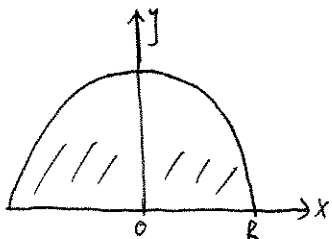
16.



$$x_{cm} = \frac{m_S x_S + m_E x_E}{m_S + m_E} \approx \frac{m_E}{m_S} \cdot x_E = \frac{6.0 \times 10^{24}}{2.0 \times 10^{30}} \times 1.5 \times 10^8 \text{ km} = 450 \text{ km}$$

So  $x_{cm} \ll R_S$ , which means the position of CM is very close to the center of the Sun.

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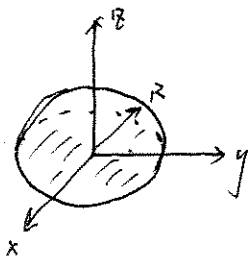
According to the symmetry, we have  $x_{cm} = 0$

$$y_{cm} = \frac{\int y \sigma dA}{M} = \frac{\int y da}{A} = \frac{\int_0^\pi \int_0^R y^2 \sin\theta dr d\theta}{\frac{\pi R^2}{2}} = \frac{8R}{3\pi}$$

So, the position of the CM is  $(0, \frac{8R}{3\pi})$

- Note: ① we could always choose  $x, y$  in the plane of the metal, which is 2D problem  
 ② we could not directly use polar coordinates to determine CM, for  $\hat{\phi}$  and  $\hat{r}$  are not well-defined direction.

3.22



According to the symmetry, we could easily have:

$$x_{cm} = y_{cm} = 0$$

$$z_{cm} = \frac{\int z \rho dV}{M} = \frac{\int_0^R \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} y^3 \cos\theta \sin\theta dy d\theta d\phi}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} = \frac{3}{8}R$$

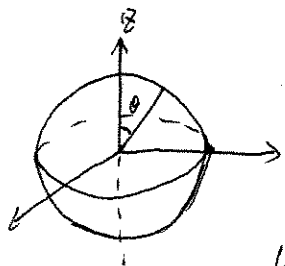
$$\vec{R}_{cm} = (0, 0, \frac{3}{8}R)$$

3.25. Because there is no torque about the origin of the circle, we have:

$$L_i = L_f \Rightarrow m \vec{r}_0 \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_0) = m \vec{r} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega = \frac{v_0^2}{v^2} \omega_0, \quad \vec{e}_\omega = \vec{e}_{\omega_0}$$

3.32



For this problem, let's choose  $z$  axis as the axis about which the sphere is rotating. So, a point in the sphere  $(r, \theta, \phi)$ , has a distance to  $z$ :

$$d = r \cdot |\sin\theta|$$

We have the expression of the moment of inertia:

$$I = \int_V r^2 \sin^2\theta \cdot \rho dV = \frac{M}{V} \int_V r^4 dV \cdot \sin^2\theta d\theta \cdot d\phi = \frac{M}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \cdot \frac{R^5}{5} \times \frac{4}{3} \times 2\pi = \frac{2}{5} M R^2$$

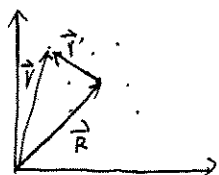
Note: Compared with 3.21, we could directly use spherical polar coordinates, that's because that the quantity calculated here has nothing to do with well-defined direction, or, it's a quantity only showing the quality of distance.

3.34. Take the CM frame, in this frame, there is no torque about the CM point. So we conclude

that the angular velocity of the rod rotating around its cm point is a constant. So, to catch to rod when it rotates exactly  $n$  rounds, we have:

$$t = n \cdot \frac{2\pi}{\omega_0} = \frac{2V_0}{g} \Rightarrow V_0 = \frac{n\pi g}{\omega_0}$$

37 (a)



$$(b) \sum m_\alpha r'_\alpha = \sum m_\alpha (\vec{r}_\alpha - \vec{R}) = \sum m_\alpha \vec{r}_\alpha - (\sum m_\alpha) \vec{R} = (\sum m_\alpha) \vec{R} - (\sum m_\alpha) \vec{R} = 0$$

$\sum m_\alpha r'_\alpha$  is the position of the cm point in the frame which origin is just the cm point, so obviously  $\sum m_\alpha r'_\alpha = 0$

$$(c) \vec{L}(\text{about cm}) = \sum m_\alpha \vec{r}'_\alpha \times \dot{\vec{r}}'_\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\vec{L}}(\text{about cm}) = \sum m_\alpha \dot{\vec{r}}'_\alpha \times \dot{\vec{r}}'_\alpha + \sum m_\alpha \vec{r}'_\alpha \times \ddot{\vec{r}}'_\alpha = \sum m_\alpha \vec{r}'_\alpha \times (\ddot{\vec{r}}'_\alpha - \ddot{\vec{R}}) = \sum m_\alpha \vec{r}'_\alpha \times \ddot{\vec{r}}'_\alpha - (\sum m_\alpha \vec{r}'_\alpha) \ddot{\vec{R}}$$

$$= \sum \vec{r}'_\alpha \times \vec{F}_\alpha = \sum \vec{r}'_\alpha \times \vec{F}_{\text{ext}} + \sum_{\alpha} \vec{r}'_\alpha \times \sum_{\beta \neq \alpha} \vec{F}_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\sum_{\alpha} \vec{r}'_\alpha \times \sum_{\beta \neq \alpha} \vec{F}_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} (\vec{r}'_\alpha \times \vec{F}_{\alpha\beta} + \vec{r}'_\beta \times \vec{F}_{\beta\alpha}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha \neq \beta} (\vec{r}'_{\alpha\beta} \times \vec{F}_{\alpha\beta})$$

For central internal forces, we have  $\sum_{\alpha} \vec{r}'_\alpha \times \sum_{\beta \neq \alpha} \vec{F}_{\alpha\beta} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\vec{L}}(\text{about cm}) = \sum \vec{r}'_\alpha \times \vec{F}_{\text{ext}} = \vec{\Gamma}^{\text{ext}} \text{ about the cm}$$