





### Kinetics of a Particle



**Force and Acceleration** 



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### Kinetics

- The branch of dynamics that deals with the relationship between the change in motion of an object and the forces that cause this change.
- The basis for kinetics is form Newton's second law (1686) which states that when an *unbalanced force* acts on a particle, the particle will *accelerate* in the direction of the force with a magnitude proportional to the force.



Sir Isaac Newton

## Newton's $2^{nd}$ Law F $\propto$ a F = ma

- *m* is the *mass* of the object.
- Mass is the quantity of matter an object has, it is a scalar.
- The mass provides the resistance of the object to any change in its velocity, that is its inertia

### Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law

- Arguably one of the most important equations in modern physics.
- A cornerstone of our modern built environment, and engineering
- Validity based solely on experimental evidence.







### Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law – Disclaimer !

- Albert Einstein (1905) showed that time is relative, as a result Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> law fails to accurately describe the motion of objects traveling near the speed of light.
- Advances in the Quantum physics have shown that motion of atoms and subatomic particles do not obey Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> law
- For most problems in modern engineering however neither of the above are applicable

### Newton's Law of Universal Gravitation

 Newton (1687) postulated a law governing the mutual attraction between any two objects in the universe

$$F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$$

### where

- *F* = force of attraction between two particles
- G = universal constant of gravitation, 33.73(10<sup>-12</sup>)m<sup>3</sup>/(kg.s<sup>2</sup>)

*m*<sub>1</sub>, *m*<sub>2</sub> = mass of each particle respectively
 *r* = distance between the centers of the two particles



### Law of Gravitational Attraction

- For an object "near" the earth surface we call this force of attraction between the object and the earth the *weight* (W) of the object
- If  $m_1 = m$ , and  $M_e$  is the mass of the earth,

$$F = G \frac{M_e m}{r^2}$$

where

$$g = \frac{GM_e}{r^2}$$



### Acceleration Due to Gravity

- g is called the *acceleration due to gravity*
- In engineering calculations g = 9.81 m/s<sup>2</sup> or 32.2ft/s<sup>2</sup>
- Units of weight are *Newtons* (N) and *pounds* (lb)
- Units of mass are kilograms (kg) and slug



### The Equation of Motion

 When more than one force acts on an object, the *resultant force* is vector summation of all the forces







### **Equation of Motion**

Consider an object of mass m subject to the action of two forces F<sub>1</sub> and F<sub>2</sub>. We can draw a graphical representation of the resultant force as follows:



### Free-body Diagram

- Note that if  $F_R$  is zero, the acceleration is also zero. This means the object will either
  - Remain or rest
  - Have constant velocity
- Remember Newton's 1<sup>st</sup> law of motion?
- We say that the free-body diagram is graphically equivalent to the kinetic diagram
- Always note the directions of your force vectors when setting up the free body diagram

### Free-body Diagrams

• And yes, it can get more complicated



- What if six forces act in 3-D? Uh oh, more agony
- So in such cases visualization may become difficult, so stick with the math (force vectors summation)

### **Inertial Reference Frame**

- To facilitate our calculations, it is important to establish a frame of reference (aka a point of view – remember relative motion?) for the acceleration a
- The frame of reference may be fixed or may move at a constant velocity



### Inertial reference Frame

- Such a frame of reference is called a *Newtonian* or *inertial reference frame*
- For example in analyzing the motion of a aircraft it is common to use a fixed point on earth surface as the Newtonian reference frame. In astronomy, the position of known catalogued stars may be used.

### **Questions & Comments**







# Equation of Motion for a System of Particles

 Let us consider the motion of an isolated group of particles within a specific region of space

Let  $\mathbf{f}_i$  denote the resultant of forces all other particles exert on an arbitrary particle *i* 

- Let **F**<sub>i</sub> denote the resultant of all external forces on the system, exerted on particle *i*
- In practice f<sub>i</sub> and F<sub>i</sub> could represent gravitational interaction, electrostatic or magnetic forces, contact forces etc etc

At an instant, consider the *i*th particle of mass *m<sub>i</sub>*, of a system of particles subject to resultant internal force **f**<sub>i</sub> and resultant external force **F**<sub>i</sub>

Kinetic

diagram



From the free body diagram and the kinetic diagram



 So if we repeat for all the other particles and sum up the corresponding vectors

$$\sum_{i} \mathbf{F}_{i} + \sum_{i} \mathbf{f}_{i} = \sum_{i} m_{i} \mathbf{a}_{i}$$

• The internal forces will cancel each other out and add up to zero, so we shall be left with

$$\sum_{i} \mathbf{F}_{i} = \sum_{i} m_{i} \mathbf{a}_{i} \qquad (13-5)$$

•  $\mathbf{r}_G$  is the position of the center of mass (center of gravity) of the of the system of particles, so

$$m\mathbf{r}_G = \sum_i m_i \mathbf{r}_i$$

where  $m = \sum_{i} m_{i}$  is the total mass of all particles

• If we take the second derivative of position with respect to time we get acceleration, so

$$m\mathbf{a}_{G} = \sum_{i} m_{i}\mathbf{a}_{i}$$

substituting into Eqn 13-5,

$$\sum \mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}_G$$



- So the sum of external forces acting on the system equals the total mass of the system times the acceleration of its center of gravity
- Note that to apply this method we must always stay within our defined inertial frame of reference
- Since in reality an object is a collection of several particles, we are justified to apply this equation to a full blown object (like a planet, a car etc)
- Therefore these equations can be applied equally to liquids and gases

### Questions ?







### Equations of Motion: Rectangular Coordinates

- A particle in motion can be described by the **i**, **j**, **k** components within an inertial frame of reference
- From the equation of motion:

$$\sum \mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a} \implies \sum F_x \mathbf{i} + \sum F_y \mathbf{j} + \sum F_z \mathbf{k} = m(a_x \mathbf{i} + a_y \mathbf{j} + a_z \mathbf{k})$$
where
$$\sum F_x = ma_x$$

$$\sum F_y = ma_y$$

$$\sum F_z = ma_z$$

### Equation of Motion: Normal and Tangential Components

 If a particle moves along a known curved path, we may write the equation of motion using the tangential, normal and binormal components

 $\sum \mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$  If the motion is constrained in a 2-d plane, the binormal component is zero

$$\sum F_{t}\mathbf{u}_{t} + \sum F_{n}\mathbf{u}_{n} + \sum F_{b}\mathbf{u}_{b} = m\mathbf{a}_{t} + m\mathbf{a}_{n}$$
Which implies
$$\sum \mathbf{F}_{t} = ma_{t}$$

$$\sum \mathbf{F}_{n} = ma_{n}$$

$$\sum \mathbf{F}_{b} = 0$$
Inertial coordinate system

### Equation of Motion: Normal and Tangential Components

- Note that if the tangential component acts in the direction of motion, the particle's speed with increase, and the converse
- The normal component of acceleration represents the rate change on the velocity's direction and is positive towards the center of motion
- The normal force is called the *centripetal force*

### Questions ?

• Normal and Tangential Coordinates







### Equations of Motion Cylindrical Coordinates

• The motion of a particle can be resolved into cylindrical components with unit vectors  $\mathbf{u}_r, \mathbf{u}_{\theta}, \mathbf{u}_z$ 

 $\sum F_r \mathbf{u}_r$ 

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• By the equation of motion  $\sum \mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$ 

$$\sum F_r \mathbf{u}_r + \sum F_{\theta} \mathbf{u}_{\theta} + \sum F_z \mathbf{u}_z = ma_r \mathbf{u}_r + ma_{\theta} \mathbf{u}_{\theta} + ma_z \mathbf{u}_z$$

Which implies;

$$\sum \mathbf{F}_{r} = ma_{r}$$
$$\sum \mathbf{F}_{\theta} = ma_{\theta}$$
$$\sum \mathbf{F}_{z} = ma_{z}$$

### Cylindrical Coordinates

 Consider a particle moving due a force P acting on it. The frictional force countering the motion will act tangentially to the path r, whereas a normal force N will be perpendicular to the tangent of the path



• It may be necessary to specify N and F relative to the radial Path,  $r = f(\theta)$ coordinate r

### **Cylindrical Coordinates**

To determine ψ, we consider an infinitesimally small displacement ds along the path associated with a radial displacement dr



 Since dr and rdθ are mutually perpendicular

$$\tan \psi = rd\theta / dr$$

$$\tan\psi = \frac{r}{dr/d\theta}$$

### **Questions & Comments**







