

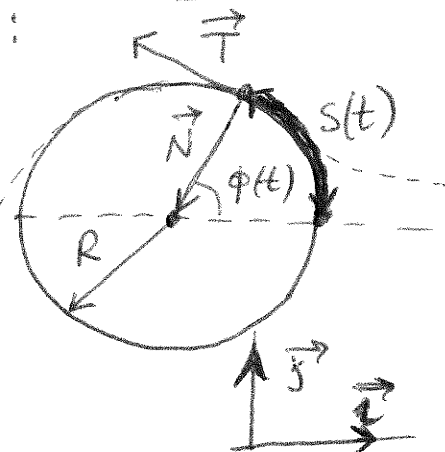
⊗ Another form of the
2nd Law of Newton for rotation:
Moment of inertia &
angular acceleration.

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As in Example 1, assume motion in a circle
 (the osculating circle), but do not
 assume constant velocity:

$$\vec{r} = R \langle \cos \phi(t), \sin \phi(t) \rangle.$$

(If $\phi(t) = \omega t$, $\omega = \text{const}$,
 we get the case of
 uniform motion
 from Ex. 1.)



Recall from Sec. 12.4:

$$m(\vec{r} \times \vec{a}) = \underbrace{\vec{r} \times \vec{F}_{\text{ext}}}_{\vec{M} \leftarrow \text{torque}}.$$

We'll only transform the l.h.s..

Substitute $\vec{a} = \vec{T} \cdot a_T + \vec{N} a_N$:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r} \times (\vec{T} a_T + \vec{N} a_N) &= \vec{0} \\ (\vec{r} \times \vec{T}) a_T + (\vec{r} \times \vec{N}) a_N &= \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{r} \times \vec{T}) a_T &= -(\vec{N} \times \vec{T}) \cdot R a_T \\ \uparrow & \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \\ -\vec{N} \cdot R & \quad \quad \quad \vec{k} \leftarrow \end{aligned}$$

the vector pointing
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So: $(\vec{r} \times \vec{a}) = \vec{k} \cdot R \cdot a_T$

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$= \vec{k} \cdot R \cdot s''$ const

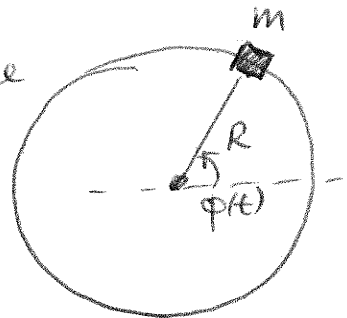
Sec. 13.3 $\rightarrow \vec{k} \cdot R \cdot (R \phi(t))'' = \vec{k} \cdot \underbrace{R \cdot R}_{R^2} \cdot \phi''(t)$

Thus:

$m \vec{r} \times \vec{a} = m R^2 \cdot \vec{k} \phi''(t), \Rightarrow$

2nd Law of N, for rotational motion becomes:

$\underbrace{m R^2}_{\text{moment of inertia of point mass } m} \cdot \underbrace{\vec{k} \frac{d^2 \phi}{dt^2}}_{\text{angular acceleration}} = \vec{M} \leftarrow \text{torque}$



moment of inertia of point mass m

Analogy: • Regular 2nd Law of N:

$m \cdot \frac{d^2 \vec{x}}{dt^2} = \vec{F}$

(mass) · (acceleration) = (force)

• Rotational 2nd Law of N:

$\underbrace{I}_{m R^2} \cdot \frac{d^2 \phi}{dt^2} = M$

(moment of inertia) · (angular acceleration) = (torque).