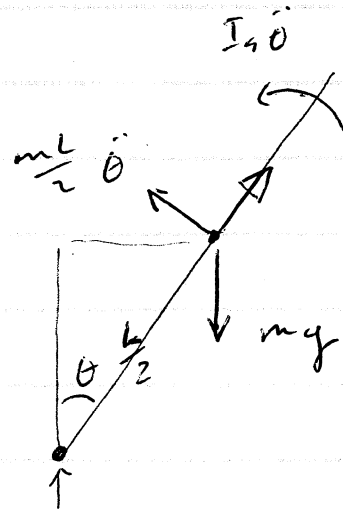
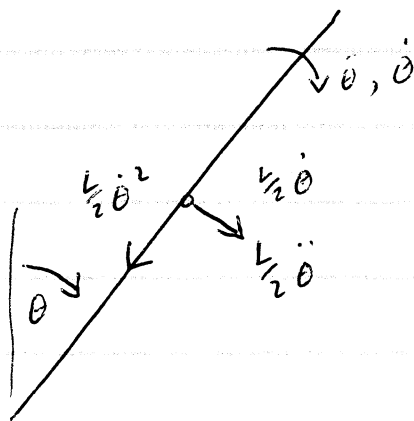


1)



$$a) \quad \frac{m}{2} \left( \frac{L}{2} \dot{\theta} \right)^2 + \frac{m}{2} \frac{L^2}{12} \dot{\theta}^2 = mg \frac{L}{2} (1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\frac{L^2}{6} \dot{\theta}^2 = g \frac{L}{2} (1 - \cos \theta)$$

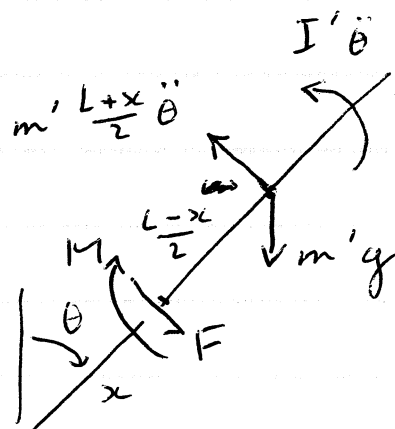
$$\dot{\theta} = \sqrt{\frac{3g}{L} (1 - \cos \theta)}$$

$$b) \quad \frac{mL^2}{4} \ddot{\theta} + \frac{mL^2}{12} \ddot{\theta} = mg \frac{L}{2} \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{L}{3} \ddot{\theta} = \frac{g}{2} \sin \theta$$

$$\ddot{\theta} = \frac{3g}{2L} \sin \theta$$

c)



$$\frac{dM}{dx} = S \text{ (shear force)}$$

$$\therefore \text{max } M \rightarrow S = 0$$

$$F = 0 \text{ then } m' \frac{L+x}{2} \ddot{\theta} = m' g \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{L+x}{2} \frac{3g}{2L} \sin \theta = g \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{3(L+x)}{4L} = 1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{L}{3}$$

$$\text{Then, } \tau = m' \frac{L+x}{2} \frac{L-x}{2} \ddot{\theta} + I_G \ddot{\theta} - \frac{m'g(L-x)}{2} \sin \theta$$

$$= \frac{2m}{3} \left( \frac{2}{9} L^2 + \frac{4L^2}{9 \times 12} \right) \ddot{\theta} - \frac{2m}{3} g \frac{L}{3} \sin \theta$$

$$= \frac{2m}{3} \left( \frac{7L^2}{27} \frac{3g}{2L} \sin \theta - g \frac{L}{3} \sin \theta \right)$$

$$= \frac{2m g L \sin \theta}{3} \left( \frac{7}{18} - \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{m g L \sin \theta}{27}$$

Q2 Let mass of whole cylinder =  $m$   
 (a) mass removed by hole =  $m/4$

∴ To find location of G (say distance  $x$  away from O radially).

$$\frac{m}{4} \left( \frac{R}{2} + x \right) = mx$$

$$\frac{R}{2} + x = 4x$$

$$x = R/6$$

$$I_G = \frac{1}{2} m R^2 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{m}{4} \left( \frac{R}{2} \right)^2 + m \left( \frac{R}{6} \right)^2 - \frac{m}{4} \left( \frac{R}{6} + \frac{R}{2} \right)^2$$

$$I_G = m R^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{32} + \frac{1}{36} - \frac{1}{9} \right)$$

$$I_G = \frac{37 m R^2}{96}$$

$$I_G = 0.385 m R^2$$

(b) PE =  $\frac{3}{4} mg \frac{R}{6} (1 - \cos \theta)$  ; potential energy

$$PE = \frac{mgR(1 - \cos \theta)}{8}$$

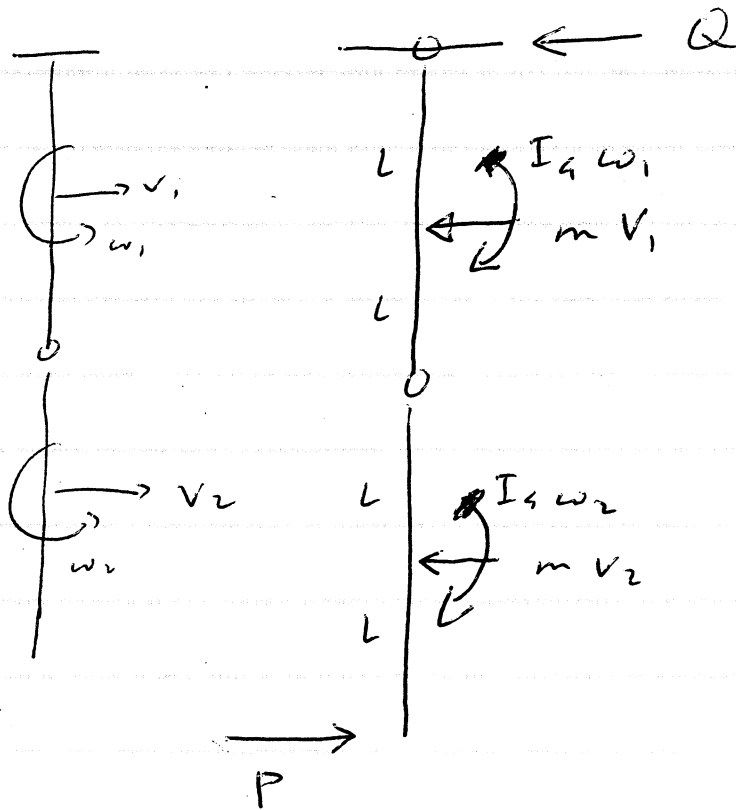
KE =  $\frac{1}{2} I_G \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \left( \frac{3}{4} \right) \left( \frac{5}{6} R \dot{\theta} \right)^2$  ; kinetic energy

$$KE = \frac{1}{2} (0.385 m R^2) \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{3}{8} m R^2 \dot{\theta}^2 \left( \frac{25}{36} \right)$$

$$KE = 0.453 m R^2 \dot{\theta}^2$$

(3)

3



$$a) \quad V_1 = L \omega_1 \rightarrow \underline{\omega_1 = \frac{V_1}{L}}$$

$$V_2 = 2V_1 + L \omega_2 \rightarrow \underline{\omega_2 = \frac{V_2 - 2V_1}{L}}$$

$$b) \quad Q + m(V_1 + V_2) = P$$

$$\underline{Q = P - m(V_1 + V_2)}$$

$$c) \quad 2PL = mV_2L + \frac{mL^2}{3} \frac{V_2 - 2V_1}{L} \quad (1)$$

$$4PL = 3mV_2L + mV_1L + \frac{mL^2}{3L}(V_2 - V_1) \quad (2)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{2P}{m} = V_2 + \frac{V_2}{3} - \frac{2V_1}{3}$$

$$\frac{4P}{m} = 3V_2 + V_1 + \frac{V_2}{3} - \frac{V_1}{3} \quad (4)$$

$$Q_2 \quad \frac{2P}{m} = \frac{4V_2}{3} - \frac{2V_1}{3}$$

$$\frac{4P}{m} = \frac{10V_2}{3} + \frac{2V_1}{3}$$

$$\frac{6P}{m} = \frac{14V_2}{3}$$

$$\rightarrow V_2 = \frac{\cancel{14P}}{\cancel{14m}} \frac{9P}{7m}$$

$$\frac{2V_1}{3} = \frac{24P}{14m} - \frac{2P}{m} = \frac{-4P}{14m}$$

$$V_1 = \frac{-3P}{7m}$$

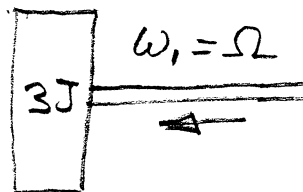
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4.(a) There is no axis about which moment of momentum is conserved so consider each shaft separately.

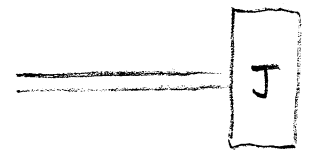
Shaft 1

Shaft 2

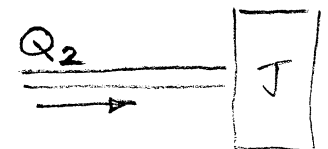
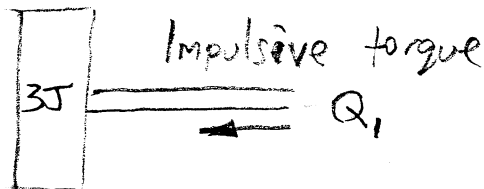
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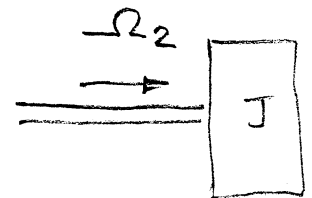
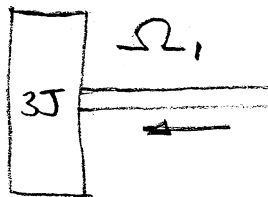
$$\omega_2 = 0$$



During :

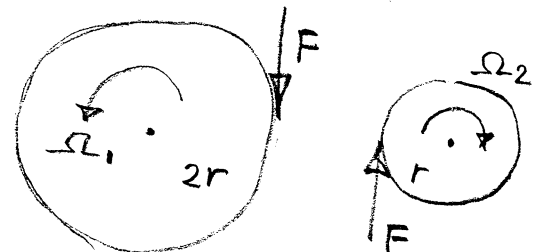


After :



Gearbox :  $\Omega_2 = 2 \Omega_1$

$$Q_2 = \frac{1}{2} Q_1 = Fr$$



Moment of Momentum

Shaft 1 :  $Q_1 = 3J(\omega_1 - \Omega_1)$  ①

Shaft 2 :  $Q_2 = J \Omega_2$  ②

$$\frac{①}{②} \rightarrow \frac{Q_1}{Q_2} = 2 = \frac{3(\Omega - \Omega_1)}{2\Omega_1} \quad \therefore 7\Omega_1 = 3\Omega$$

$$\therefore \underline{\underline{\Omega_1 = \frac{3}{7}\Omega}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\Omega_2 = \frac{6}{7}\Omega}}$$

4(b) Consider shaft 1, subject to constant torque  $T$  for time  $\tau$ . The impulsive torque  $Q_1$

$$Q_1 = \int_0^{\tau} T dt = T\tau = 3J(\omega_1 - \Omega_1)$$

$$\therefore \tau = \frac{3J}{T} \left( \Omega - \frac{3}{7}\Omega \right)$$

$$\tau = \underline{\underline{\frac{12J\Omega}{7T}}}$$

(c) Final KE - Initial KE

$$= \frac{1}{2} 3J\Omega_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} J\Omega_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} 3J\omega_1^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} J\Omega^2 \left( 3 \left( \frac{3}{7} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{6}{7} \right)^2 - 3 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} J\Omega^2 (27 + 36 - 147) / 49$$

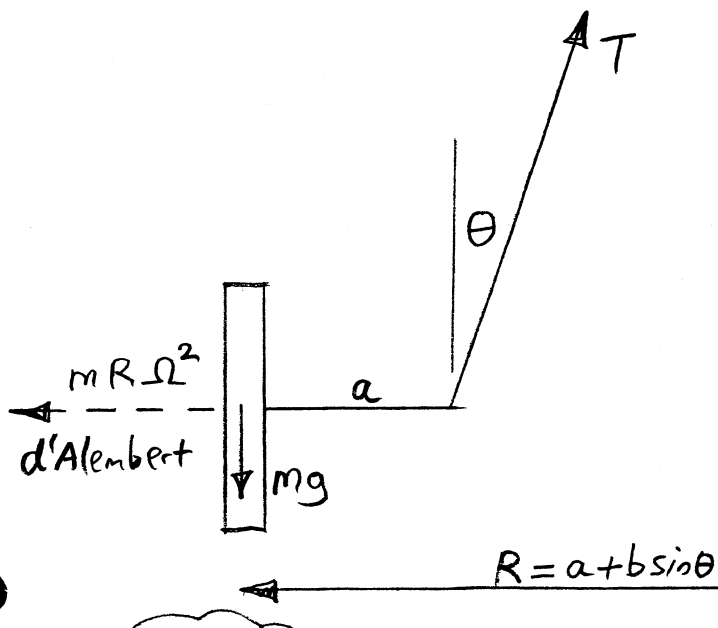
$$= -\frac{6}{7} J\Omega^2$$

$$\therefore \text{Energy loss} = \underline{\underline{\frac{6}{7} J\Omega^2}} \quad \left( < \frac{1}{2} 3J\Omega^2 \quad \underline{\underline{OK}} \right)$$

This was a popular question, generally well done but many candidates applied momentum conservation to the whole system to get absurd answers - earning zero marks for part (a). Energy conservation also earned zero. Many in part (b) applied torque  $T$  to shaft 2 (a neat shortcut, it seems) but the gearbox means that the torque on shaft 2 is  $T/2$ .

In (c), if the answer turns out to be an energy gain as happens if (a) is wrong as described above then candidates who noticed this got a bonus mark. In fact no-one did notice it! Be alert.

5(a)



(i)  $T \cos \theta = mg$   
(vertical equilibrium)

$\therefore T = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta}$

(ii)  $T \sin \theta = m R \Omega^2$   
(horizontal equilibrium)

$\therefore \tan \theta = \frac{m R \Omega^2}{mg}$   
 $= \frac{(a + b \sin \theta) \Omega^2}{g}$

Small  $\theta \therefore \tan \theta \approx \theta$   
 $\sin \theta \approx \theta$

$\therefore g \theta \approx a \Omega^2 + b \Omega^2 \theta$

$\therefore \theta \approx \frac{a \Omega^2}{g - b \Omega^2}$

Don't use moment equilibrium because a precessing rotor is not in equilibrium. The precession is the result of a net couple.

(b)  $Q = T \cos \theta a = mg a = J \Omega \omega$

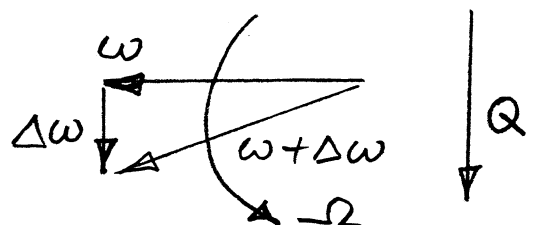
$J = \frac{1}{2} m a^2$  (from data book  $I_{xx} = I_{yy} = \frac{1}{4} m a^2$   
and perpendicular axis theorem  
 $I_{zz} = I_{xx} + I_{yy}$ )

$\therefore mg a = \frac{1}{2} m a^2 \Omega \omega$

$\therefore \underline{\underline{\Omega = \frac{2g}{a\omega}}}$

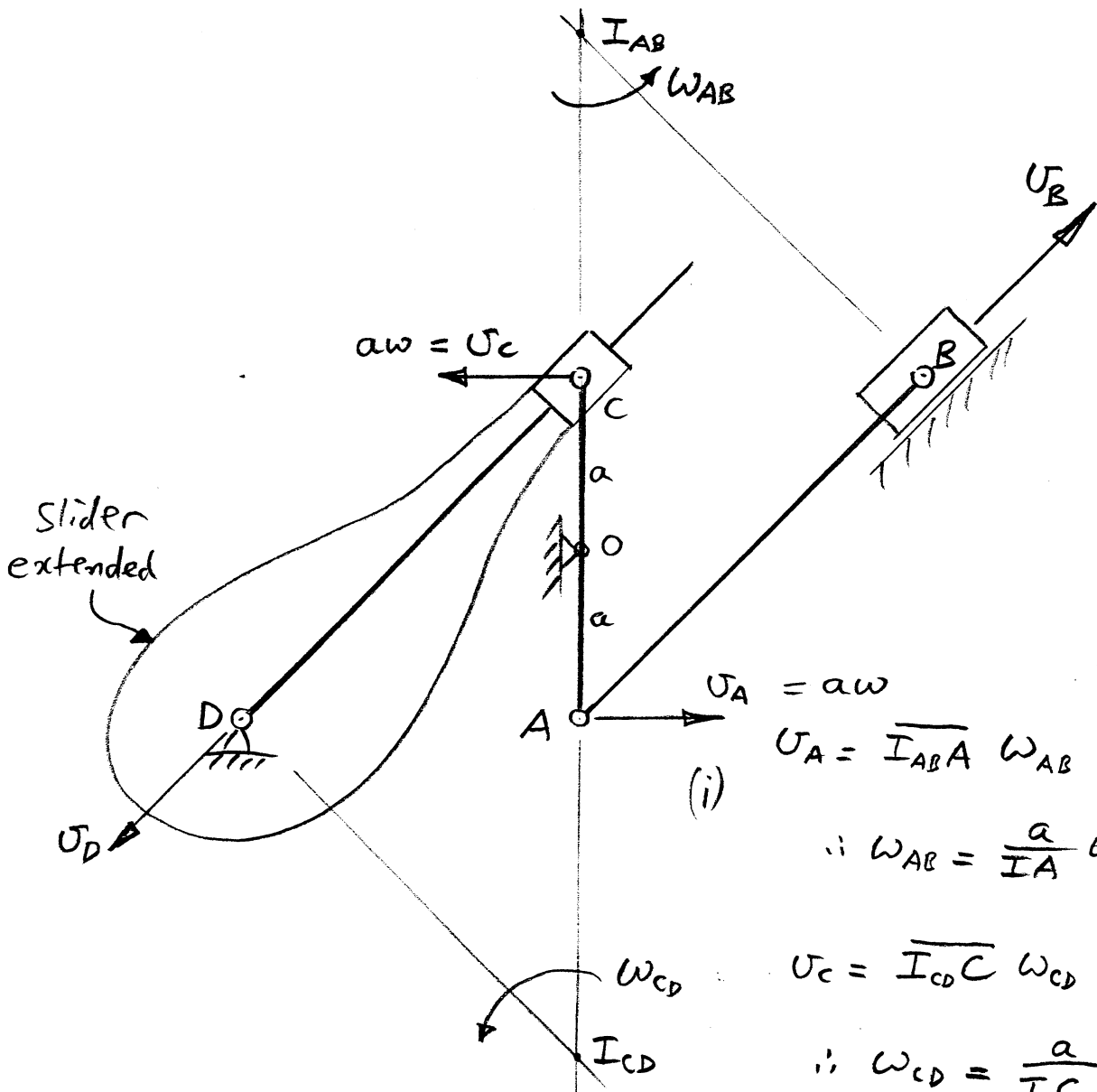
(c) Anticlockwise. Angular momentum changes in the direction of the applied couple.

Any explanation based on "the right hand rule" was not enough.





6(a) Instantaneous Centres



(i)

$$u_A = aw$$

$$u_A = \overline{I_{AB}A} \omega_{AB} = aw$$

$$\therefore \omega_{AB} = \frac{a}{I_{AB}} \omega = \frac{\omega}{4}$$

$$u_C = \overline{I_{CD}C} \omega_{CD} = aw$$

$$\therefore \omega_{CD} = \frac{a}{I_{CD}} \omega = \frac{\omega}{4}$$

$$= \omega_{DE}$$

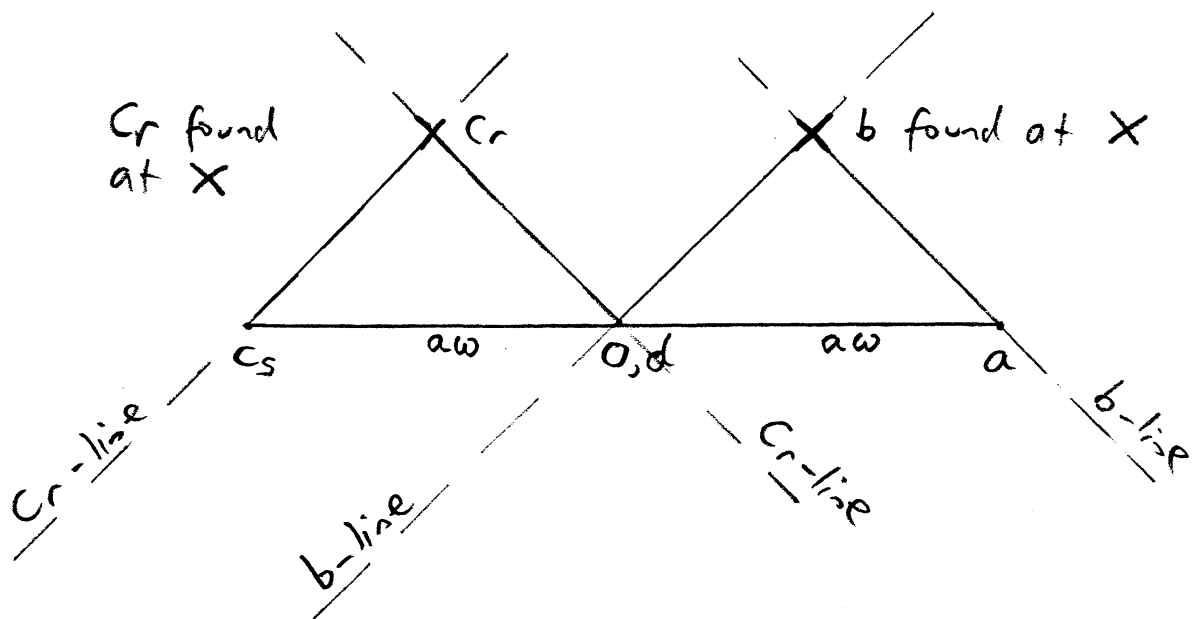
(ii) Sliding velocity at B and at C found by resolving  $u_A$  and  $u_C$  in the sliding direction

$$u_B = \frac{aw}{\sqrt{2}} \nearrow$$

$$u_{C/crod} = \frac{aw}{\sqrt{2}} \searrow$$

6(a) or Velocity diagram

Scale 5cm  $\equiv$   $a\omega$



$$(i) \quad \underline{U}_{B/A} = \underline{\omega}_{AB} \times \underline{r}_{B/A} = \frac{a\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \nearrow$$

$$\therefore \underline{\omega}_{AB} = \frac{\frac{a\omega}{\sqrt{2}}}{2\sqrt{2}a} = \frac{\omega}{4} \curvearrowright$$

$$\underline{U}_{C/D} = \underline{\omega}_{CD} \times \underline{r}_{C/D} = \frac{a\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \nearrow$$

$$\therefore \underline{\omega}_{CD} = \frac{\frac{a\omega}{\sqrt{2}}}{2\sqrt{2}a} = \frac{\omega}{4} \curvearrowright$$

(ii) Sliding velocities from diagram

$$U_b = \frac{a\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \nearrow$$

$$U_{c/cr} = \frac{a\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \swarrow$$

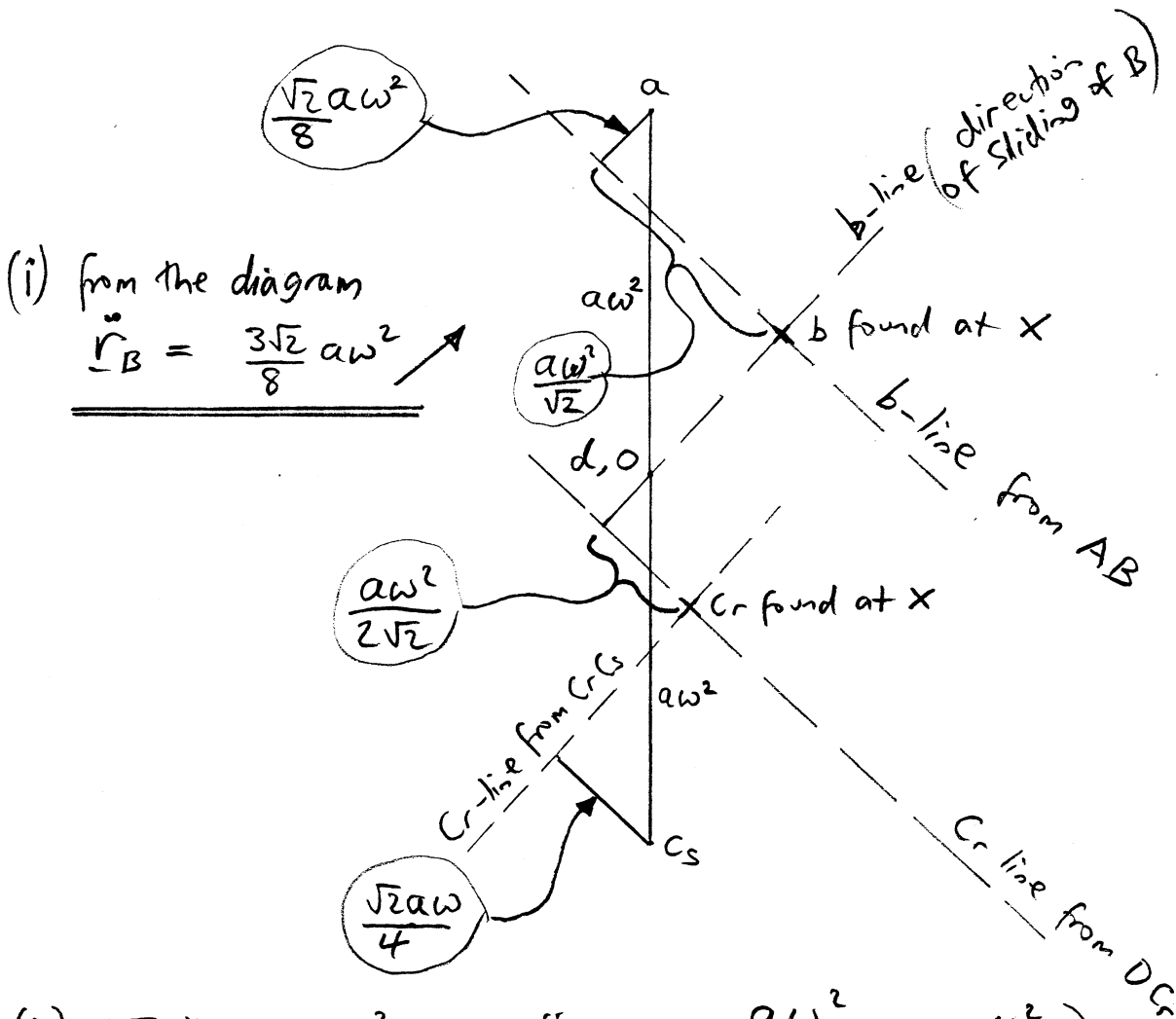
6(b) acceleration diagram

scale  $5\text{cm} = a\omega^2$

$$\underline{\ddot{r}} = (\ddot{r} - r\dot{\theta}^2) \underline{e}_r + (2\dot{r}\dot{\theta} + r\ddot{\theta}) \underline{e}_\theta$$

OA	$(0 - a\omega^2) \downarrow$	+	$(0 + 0) \rightarrow$
AB	$(0 - 2\sqrt{2}a(\frac{\omega}{4})^2) \nearrow$	+	$(0 + ?) \nearrow$

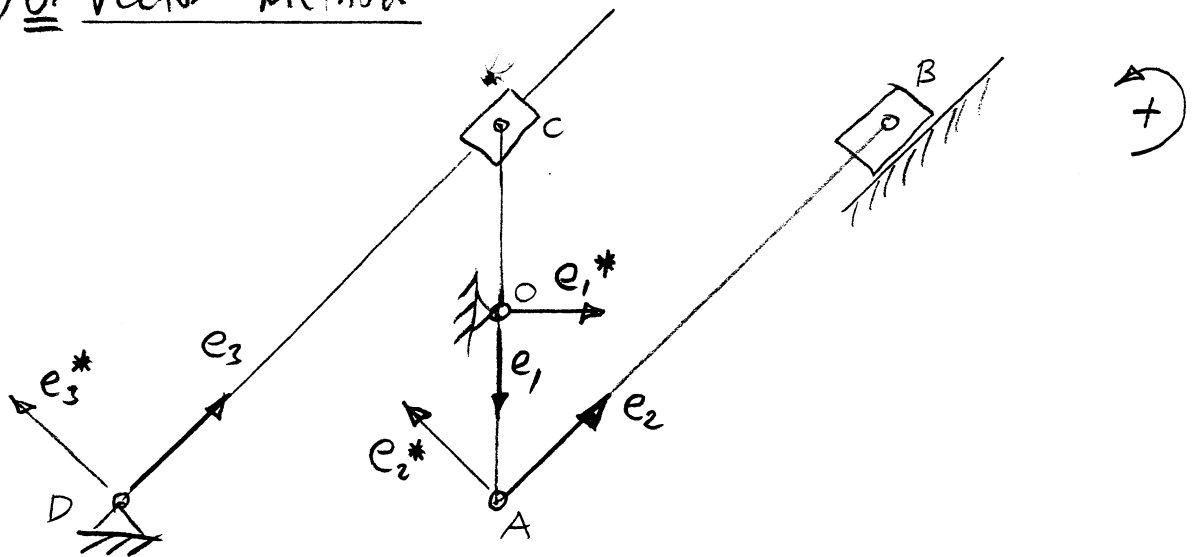
OC <sub>s</sub>	$(0 - a\omega^2) \uparrow$	+	$(0 + 0) \leftarrow$
CrC <sub>s</sub>	$(? - 0) \swarrow$	+	$(2 \cdot \frac{a\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{\omega}{4} + 0) \searrow$
DC <sub>r</sub>	$(0 - 2\sqrt{2}a(\frac{\omega}{4})^2) \nearrow$	+	$(0 + ?) \nearrow$



(ii)  $\overline{AB} \ddot{\theta}_{AB} = \frac{a\omega^2}{\sqrt{2}} \therefore \ddot{\theta}_{AB} = \frac{a\omega^2}{2\sqrt{2}a\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\omega^2}{4}$

$\overline{DC_r} \ddot{\theta}_{DC_r} = \frac{a\omega^2}{2\sqrt{2}} \therefore \ddot{\theta}_{DC_r} = \ddot{\theta}_{DE} = \frac{a\omega^2}{2\sqrt{2}a2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\omega^2}{8}$

6(b) or Vector method



$$\underline{r}_{OB} = a \underline{e}_1 + 2\sqrt{2}a \underline{e}_2$$

$$\underline{\dot{r}}_{OB} = a\omega \underline{e}_1^* + 2\sqrt{2}a \dot{\theta}_{AB} \underline{e}_2^*$$

but B moves in ↗ direction

$$\therefore \underline{\dot{r}}_{OB} \cdot \nwarrow = 0$$

$$\therefore \underline{\dot{r}}_{OB} \cdot \underline{e}_2^* = 0$$

$$\therefore a\omega \underline{e}_1^* \cdot \underline{e}_2^* + 2\sqrt{2}a \dot{\theta}_{AB} \underline{e}_2^* \cdot \underline{e}_2^* = 0$$

$$\therefore \omega \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + 2\sqrt{2} \dot{\theta}_{AB} = 0$$

$$\therefore \underline{\dot{\theta}}_{AB} = \frac{\omega}{4} \curvearrowright$$

$$\therefore \underline{\ddot{r}}_{OB} = -a\omega^2 \underline{e}_1 + 2\sqrt{2}a \ddot{\theta}_{AB} \underline{e}_2^* - 2\sqrt{2}a \dot{\theta}_{AB}^2 \underline{e}_2$$

$$= -a\omega^2 \underline{e}_1 + 2\sqrt{2}a \ddot{\theta}_{AB} \underline{e}_2^* - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{8} a \omega^2 \underline{e}_2$$

but B moves in ↗ direction

$$\therefore \underline{\ddot{r}}_{OB} \cdot \nwarrow = 0$$

$$\therefore \underline{\ddot{r}}_{OB} \cdot \underline{e}_2^* = 0$$

$$\therefore -a\omega^2 \underline{e}_1 \cdot \underline{e}_2^* + 2\sqrt{2}a \ddot{\theta}_{AB} \underline{e}_2^* \cdot \underline{e}_2^* = 0$$

$$\therefore \ddot{\theta}_{AB} = \frac{a\omega^2 \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}{2\sqrt{2}a} = \frac{-\omega^2}{4} \curvearrowleft$$

$$\therefore \underline{\ddot{\theta}}_{AB} = \frac{\omega^2}{4} \curvearrowright$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Acceleration of B} &= \underline{\ddot{r}}_{OB} \cdot \underline{e}_2 = -a\omega^2 \underline{e}_1 \cdot \underline{e}_2 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} a \omega^2 \underline{e}_2 \cdot \underline{e}_2 \\ &= -a\omega^2 \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} a \omega^2 \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{8} a \omega^2}} \curvearrowright \end{aligned}$$

6(b) vector method cont'd

$\underline{r}_{D0} = (2\sqrt{2}a + x) \underline{e}_3 + a \underline{e}_1$  where  $x$  is the distance between  $C_s$  &  $C_r$  such that  $x=0$  but  $\dot{x} \neq 0$  at the instant shown

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\underline{r}}_{D0} &= (2\sqrt{2}a + x) \dot{\theta}_{DE} \underline{e}_3^* + \dot{x} \underline{e}_3 + a\omega \underline{e}_1^* \\ &= 0 \quad \text{since } \overline{D0} \text{ is a fixed vector} \\ &\quad \text{and put } x=0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 2\sqrt{2}a \dot{\theta}_{DE} \underline{e}_3^* + \dot{x} \underline{e}_3 + a\omega \underline{e}_1^* = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dot with } \underline{e}_3^* \therefore 2\sqrt{2}a \dot{\theta}_{DE} + a\omega \underline{e}_1^* \cdot \underline{e}_3^* &= 0 \\ \therefore \dot{\theta}_{DE} &= -\frac{a\omega \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}{2\sqrt{2}a} = \frac{\omega}{4} \quad \curvearrowright \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dot with } \underline{e}_3 \therefore \dot{x} + a\omega \underline{e}_1^* \cdot \underline{e}_3 &= 0 \\ \therefore \dot{x} &= -\frac{a\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \nearrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{sliding velocity of } C_s \text{ relative to } C_r = \frac{a\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \swarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{\underline{r}}_{D0} &= (2\sqrt{2}a + x) \ddot{\theta}_{DE} \underline{e}_3^* - 2\sqrt{2}a \dot{\theta}_{DE}^2 \underline{e}_3 + \ddot{x} \underline{e}_3 + 2\dot{x} \dot{\theta}_{DE} \underline{e}_3^* \\ &\quad - a\omega^2 \underline{e}_1 \end{aligned}$$

= 0

$$\text{dot with } \underline{e}_3^* : 2\sqrt{2}a \ddot{\theta}_{DE} + 2\dot{x} \dot{\theta}_{DE} - a\omega^2 \underline{e}_1 \cdot \underline{e}_3^* = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \ddot{\theta}_{DE} &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}a} \left( a\omega^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) - 2 \left(\frac{-a\omega}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \frac{\omega}{4} \right) \\ &= -\frac{a\omega^2}{8} \quad \curvearrowright \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \ddot{\theta}_{DE} = \frac{a\omega^2}{8} \quad \curvearrowright$$

The most popular method was velocity diagram followed by acceleration diagram.

A few used the  $\underline{e}, \underline{e}^*$  method but none got the right answers with it.