



Chapter 4

Velocity Analysis

MCT 251

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Revision on vectors & complex number differentiation



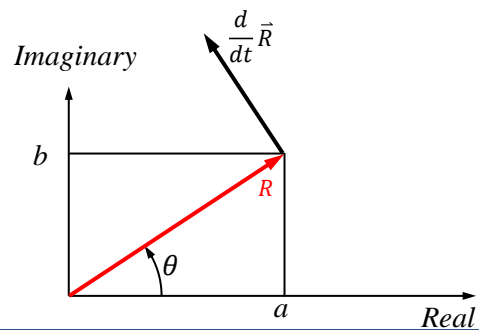
$$\square \vec{R} = a + b i = R e^{i\theta}$$

$$\square \frac{d}{dt} \vec{R} = \frac{d}{dt} (R e^{i\theta}) = R i e^{i\theta} \frac{d\theta}{dt} = R\omega (i) e^{i\theta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} i &= 0 + i \\ &= \cos 90^\circ + \sin 90^\circ i \\ &= e^{i \times 90^\circ} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{R} = R\omega e^{i \times 90^\circ} e^{i\theta} = R\omega e^{i(\theta+90^\circ)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{R} = R\omega @ \angle(\theta + 90^\circ)$$



4.1. Definitions



□ Velocity

The **vector** represents the rate of change of position with respect to time.

$$\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{R}}{dt}$$

➤ Absolute Velocity

Absolute velocity of a point P is the velocity of point P relative to a fixed point, O.

4.1. Definitions (cont.)

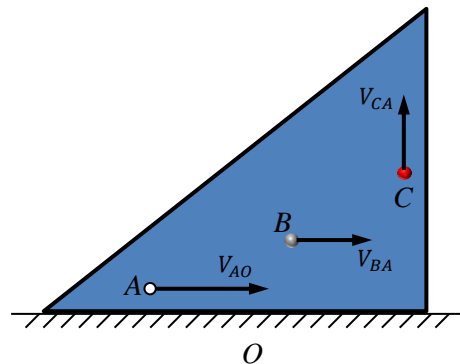
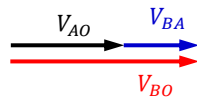


□ Absolute and relative velocities

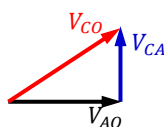
$$\square \vec{V}_A = \vec{V}_{AO}$$

$$\square \vec{V}_{OA} = -\vec{V}_{AO}$$

$$\square \vec{V}_{BO} = \vec{V}_{BA} + \vec{V}_{AO}$$



$$\square \vec{V}_{CO} = \vec{V}_{CA} + \vec{V}_{AO}$$





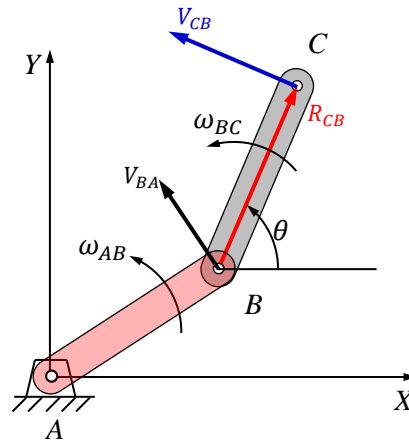
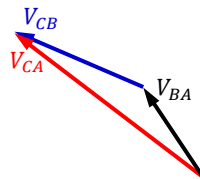
4.2. Analytical Velocity Analysis

Relative velocity of two points of a moving link

$$\vec{V}_{CB} = \frac{d}{dt} \vec{R}_{CB} = \frac{d}{dt} (R_{CB} e^{i\theta})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{V}_{CB} &= R_{CB} \omega_{BC} i e^{i\theta} \\ &= R_{CB} \omega_{BC} @ \angle(\theta + 90^\circ) \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{V}_{CA} = \vec{V}_{CB} + \vec{V}_{BA}$$



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4.2. Analytical Velocity Analysis (cont.)



Relative velocity of a point sliding on a moving link

$$\vec{V}_{CA} = \frac{d}{dt} \vec{R}_{CA} = \frac{d}{dt} (R_{CA} e^{i\theta}) = R_{CA} \frac{d}{dt} (e^{i\theta})$$

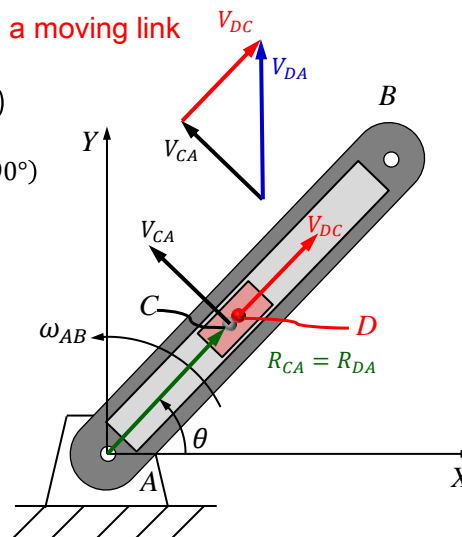
$$\vec{V}_{CA} = R_{CA} \omega_{AB} i e^{i\theta} = R_{CA} \omega_{AB} @ \angle(\theta + 90^\circ)$$

$$\vec{V}_{DA} = \frac{d}{dt} \vec{R}_{DA} = \frac{d}{dt} (R_{DA} e^{i\theta})$$

$$\vec{V}_{DA} = R_{DA} \frac{d}{dt} (e^{i\theta}) + e^{i\theta} \frac{d}{dt} (R_{DA})$$

$$\vec{V}_{DA} = R_{DA} \omega_{AB} @ \angle(\theta + 90^\circ) + R_{DA}' @ \angle \theta$$

$$\vec{V}_{DA} = \vec{V}_{CA} + \vec{V}_{DC}$$



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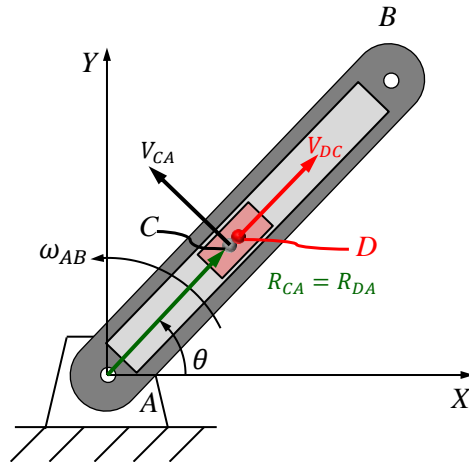
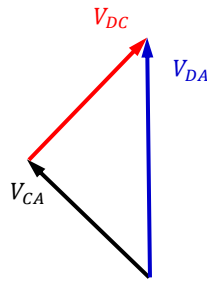
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4.2. Analytical Velocity Analysis (cont.)

- Relative velocity of a point sliding on a moving link

$$\vec{V}_{DA} = \vec{V}_{CA} + \vec{V}_{DC}$$



4.2. Analytical Velocity Analysis (cont.)



- Loop Equation: $\vec{R}_2 + \vec{R}_3 + \vec{R}_4 = \vec{R}_1$

$$\vec{V}_B + \vec{V}_{CB} + \vec{V}_{DC} = 0$$

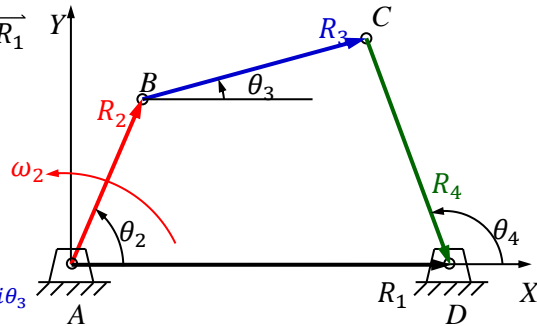
$$\vec{V}_B + \vec{V}_{CB} - \vec{V}_C = 0$$

$$\vec{V}_C = \vec{V}_B + \vec{V}_{CB}$$

$$\omega_4 R_4 i e^{i\theta_4} = \omega_2 R_2 i e^{i\theta_2} + \omega_3 R_3 i e^{i\theta_3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \triangleright -\omega_4 R_4 \sin \theta_4 &= -\omega_2 R_2 \sin \theta_2 - \omega_3 R_3 \sin \theta_3 \\ \dots \dots \omega_4 - \dots \dots \omega_3 &= \dots \dots \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

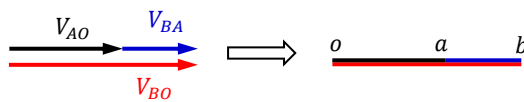
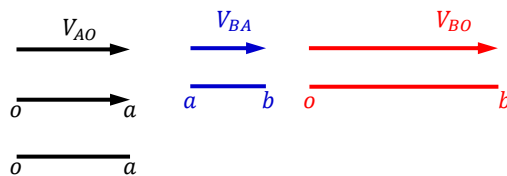
$$\begin{aligned} \triangleright \omega_4 R_4 \cos \theta_4 &= \omega_2 R_2 \cos \theta_2 + \omega_3 R_3 \cos \theta_3 \\ \dots \dots \omega_4 - \dots \dots \omega_3 &= \dots \dots \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$



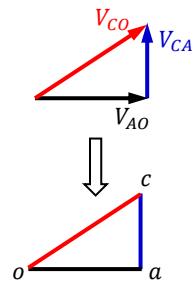


4.3. Graphical Velocity Analysis

□ Velocity Diagram



Velocity Diagram (V.D.)
Scale: 1cm \equiv ... m/s



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4.3. Graphical Velocity Analysis (cont.)



□ Velocity Diagram

- A diagram represents the relative velocities of points to each other.
- The relative velocity between any two fixed points is equal to zero.
 - All fixed points are represented by one point in velocity diagram.
- The velocity of any point is equal to the vector from the fixed point to the considered point.

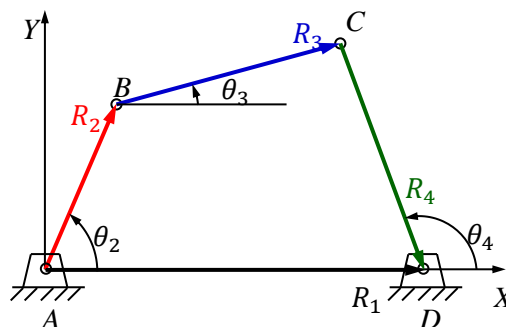
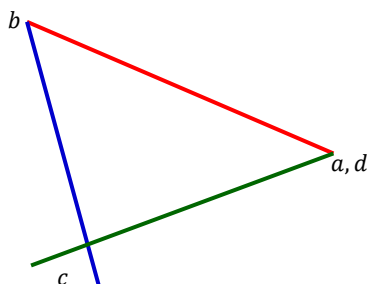


4.3. Graphical Velocity Analysis (cont.)

$$\square \vec{V}_B + \vec{V}_{CB} + \vec{V}_{OC} = 0$$

$$\vec{V}_B + \vec{V}_{CB} - \vec{V}_C = 0$$

$$\vec{V}_C = \vec{V}_B + \vec{V}_{CB}$$



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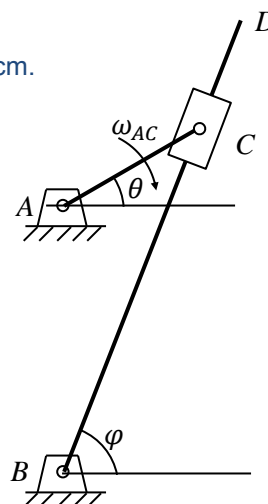
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4.4. Solved examples



□ Quick-return mechanism

- $AB = 6.6$ cm, $AC = 5$ cm, $BC = 10.4$ cm and $BD = 13$ cm.
- $\theta = 36.86^\circ$, $\varphi = 68.38^\circ$ and $\omega_{AC} = 10$ rad/s.
- Find the angular velocity of link BD
- Find the velocity of point D.



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4.4. Solved examples (cont.)

□ **Four-bar mechanism**

- $AB = 6 \text{ cm}$, $BC = CD = BE = 8 \text{ cm}$, $AD = 13 \text{ cm}$
- $\omega_{AB} = 10 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$.
- Find the angular velocities of links BC and DC.
- Find the velocity of point E.

