

Theory of machinery



Chapter four

Acceleration analysis

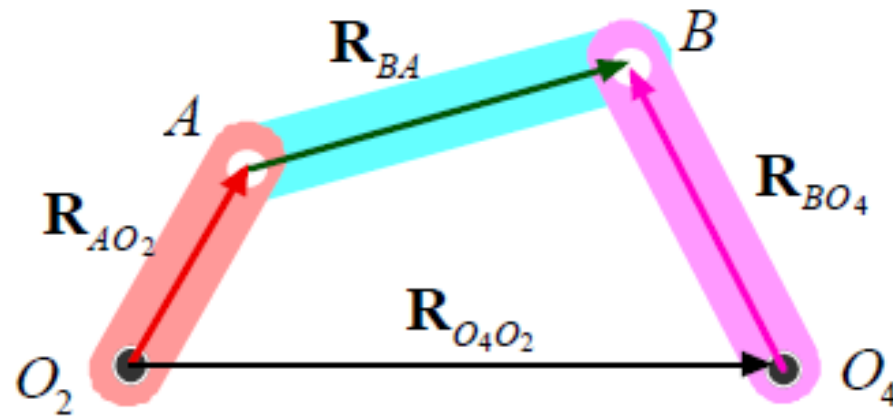
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For a known four-bar mechanism, in a given configuration and known velocities, and a given angular acceleration of the crank, α_2 (say CCW), construct the acceleration polygon. Determine α_3 and α_4 .



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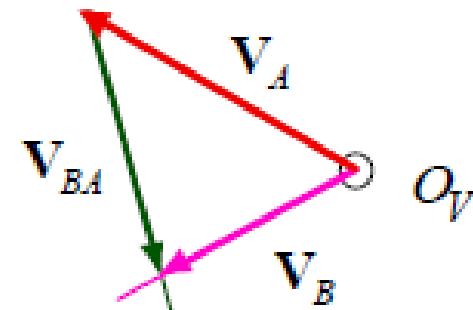
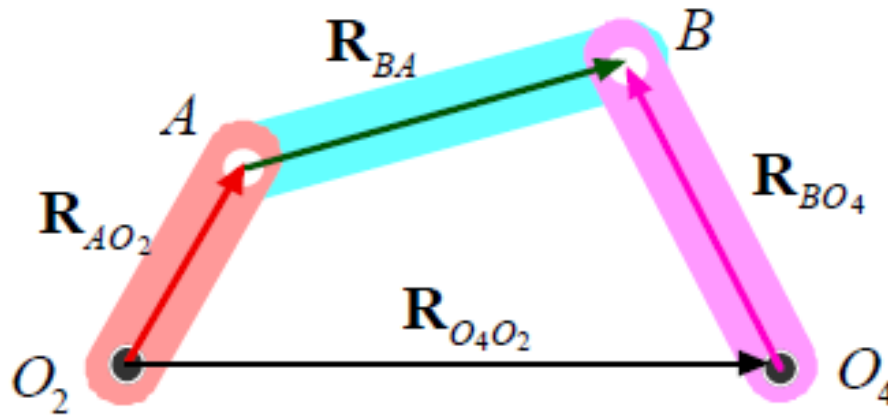
Solution

For the position vector loop equation:

$$\mathbf{R}_{AO_2} + \mathbf{R}_{BA} - \mathbf{R}_{BO_4} - \mathbf{R}_{O_4O_2} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

the velocity equation is

$$\mathbf{V}_{AO_2} + \mathbf{V}_{BA} - \mathbf{V}_{BO_4} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$



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Solution

The acceleration equation is obtained from the time derivative of the velocity equation as:

$$\mathbf{A}_A + \mathbf{A}_{BA} = \mathbf{A}_B$$

Since \mathbf{R}_{AO_2} , \mathbf{R}_{BA} , and \mathbf{R}_{BO_4} are moving vectors with constant lengths, their acceleration vectors have normal and tangential components:

$$\mathbf{A}_A^n + \mathbf{A}_A^t + \mathbf{A}_{BA}^n + \mathbf{A}_{BA}^t - \mathbf{A}_B^n - \mathbf{A}_B^t = \mathbf{0}$$
$$-\omega_2^2 \mathbf{R}_{AO_2} + \alpha_2 \check{\mathbf{R}}_{AO_2} - \omega_3^2 \mathbf{R}_{BA} + \alpha_3 \check{\mathbf{R}}_{BA} - (-\omega_4^2 \mathbf{R}_{BO_4}) - \alpha_4 \check{\mathbf{R}}_{BO_4} = \mathbf{0}$$

Now, ω_2 , ω_3 , ω_4 and α_2 are known, so the components A_A^n , A_A^t , A_{BA}^n and A_B^n are known and can be drawn directly

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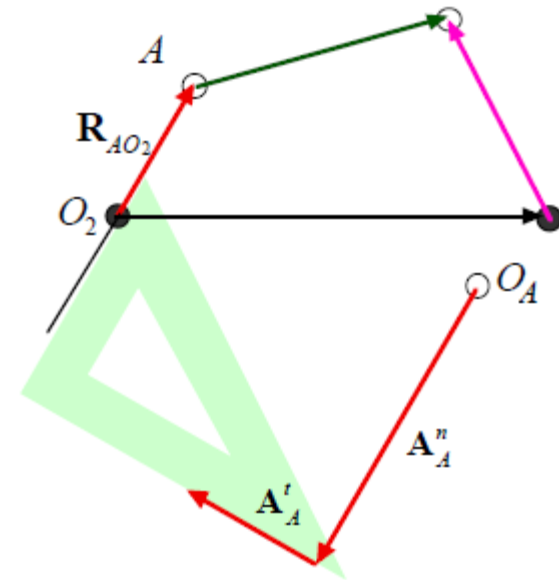
Solution

Rearrange the loop equation to be seen as follow

$$-\omega_2^2 \mathbf{R}_{AO_2} + \alpha_2 \tilde{\mathbf{R}}_{AO_2} - \omega_3^2 \mathbf{R}_{BA} - (-\omega_4^2 \mathbf{R}_{BO_4}) + \alpha_3 \tilde{\mathbf{R}}_{BA} - \alpha_4 \tilde{\mathbf{R}}_{BO_4} = 0$$

Drawing procedures:

1. Select a point in a convenient position as the reference for zero acceleration. Name this point O_A (origin of accelerations).
2. Compute the magnitude of \mathbf{A}_A^n as $R_{AO_2} \omega_2^2$. From O_V construct vector \mathbf{A}_A^n in the opposite direction of \mathbf{R}_{AO_2} .
3. Compute the magnitude of \mathbf{A}_A^t as $R_{AO_2} \alpha_2$. The direction of \mathbf{A}_A^t is determined by rotating \mathbf{R}_{AO_2} 90° in the direction of α_2 . Add this vector to \mathbf{A}_A^n . Note that the sum of \mathbf{A}_A^n and \mathbf{A}_A^t is \mathbf{A}_A .

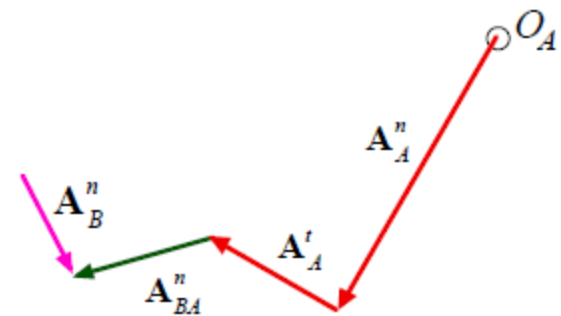
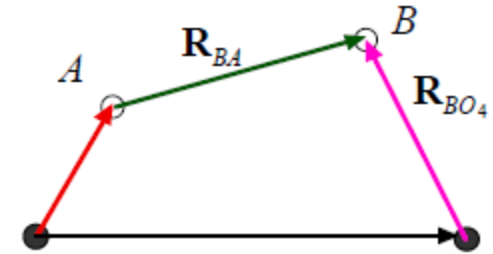


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3. Compute the magnitude of \mathbf{A}_{BA}^n as $R_{BA}\omega_3^2$. Add this vector in the opposite direction of \mathbf{R}_{BA} to the other two vectors.
4. Compute the magnitude of \mathbf{A}_B^n as $R_B\omega_4^2$. Note that \mathbf{A}_B^n is in the opposite direction of \mathbf{R}_{BO_4} . Since \mathbf{A}_B^n itself appears with a negative sign in the acceleration equation, it should be added to the other vectors in the diagram as shown; i.e., head-to-tail.

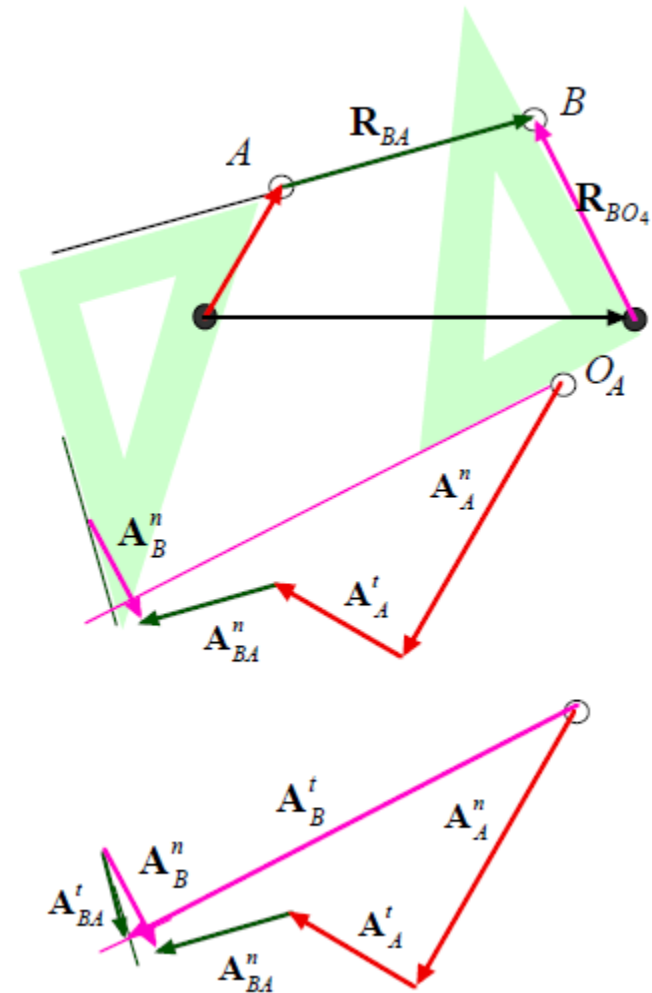


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5. Since \mathbf{A}_{BA}^t must be perpendicular to \mathbf{R}_{BA} , draw a line perpendicular to \mathbf{R}_{BA} in anticipation of adding \mathbf{A}_{BA}^t to the diagram.
6. Since \mathbf{A}_B^t must be perpendicular to \mathbf{R}_{BO_4} , draw a line perpendicular to \mathbf{R}_{BO_4} closing (completing) the polygon.
7. Construct vectors \mathbf{A}_{BA}^t and \mathbf{A}_B^t on the polygon.
8. Determine the magnitude of \mathbf{A}_{BA}^t from the polygon. Compute α_3 as $\alpha_3 = A_{BA}^t / R_{BA}$ (in this diagram it is CW).
9. Determine the magnitude of \mathbf{A}_B^t from the polygon. Compute α_4 as $\alpha_4 = A_B^t / R_{BO_4}$ (in this diagram it is CCW).



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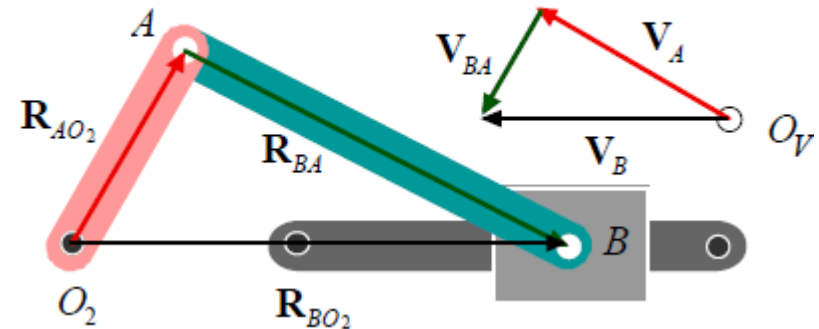


Solution

$$\mathbf{R}_{AO_2} + \mathbf{R}_{BA} - \mathbf{R}_{BO_2} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{V}_A + \mathbf{V}_{BA} - \mathbf{V}_B = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_A + \mathbf{A}_{BA} - \mathbf{A}_B = \mathbf{0}$$



$$\mathbf{A}_A^n + \mathbf{A}_A^t + \mathbf{A}_{BA}^n + \mathbf{A}_{BA}^t - \mathbf{A}_B^s = \mathbf{0}$$

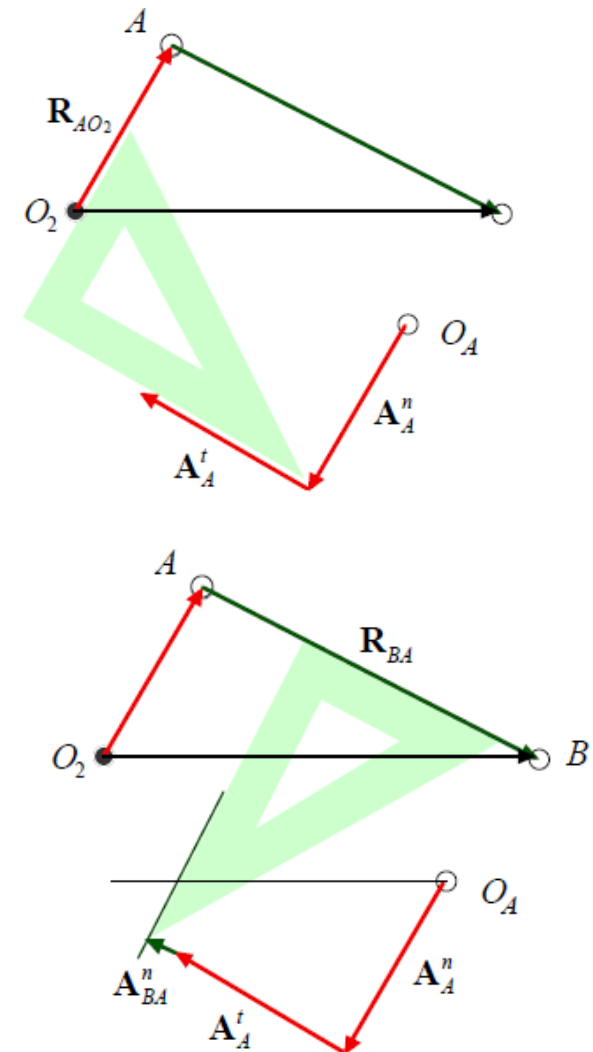
$$-\omega_2^2 \mathbf{R}_{AO_2} + \alpha_2 \check{\mathbf{R}}_{AO_2} - \omega_3^2 \mathbf{R}_{BA} + \alpha_3 \check{\mathbf{R}}_{BA} - \mathbf{A}_B^s = \mathbf{0}$$

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Solution

1. Select a point in a convenient position as the reference for zero acceleration, O_A .
2. Compute $A_A^n = R_{AO_2} \omega_2^2$. From O_V construct \mathbf{A}_A^n in the opposite direction of \mathbf{R}_{AO_2} .
3. Compute $A_A^t = R_{AO_2} \alpha_2$. The direction of \mathbf{A}_A^t is determined by rotating \mathbf{R}_{AO_2} 90° in the direction of α_2 . Add this vector to the diagram.
4. Compute $A_{BA}^n = R_{BA} \omega_3^2$. Construct \mathbf{A}_{BA}^n in the opposite direction of \mathbf{R}_{BA} .
5. \mathbf{A}_{BA}^t must be perpendicular to \mathbf{R}_{BA} . Draw a line perpendicular to \mathbf{R}_{BA} in anticipation of adding \mathbf{A}_{BA}^t to \mathbf{A}_{BA}^n .
6. From O_A draw a line parallel to the sliding axis. \mathbf{A}_B must reside on this line.

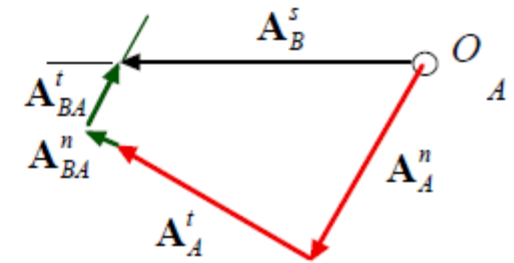


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Solution

7. Construct vectors \mathbf{A}_{BA}^t and \mathbf{A}_B .
8. Determine the magnitude of \mathbf{A}_{BA}^t . Compute α_3 as $\alpha_3 = A_{BA}^t / R_{BA}$. Determine the direction of α_3 (in this example it is CCW).
9. Determine the magnitude of \mathbf{A}_B from the polygon. The direction in this example is to the left.



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Using vector algebra

$$r(t) = S(t)U_{\theta}(t)$$

Derive with respect to time

$$\dot{r}(t) = \dot{S}U_{\theta} + S\omega\dot{U}_{\theta}$$

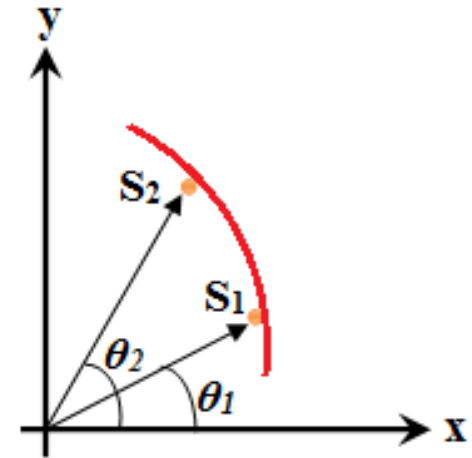
Derive another time with respect to time to find the acceleration

$$\ddot{r}(t) = \ddot{S}U_{\theta} + \dot{S}\omega\dot{U}_{\theta} + \dot{S}\omega\dot{U}_{\theta} + S(\alpha\dot{U}_{\theta} + \omega^2\ddot{U}_{\theta})$$

$$\text{But } \ddot{U}_{\theta}(t) = -U_{\theta}(t)$$

Rearrange the terms

$$\ddot{r}(t) = (\ddot{S} - S\omega^2)U_{\theta} + (2\dot{S}\omega + S\alpha)\dot{U}_{\theta}$$



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4-bar mechanism

➤ For the 4-bar mechanism, the length of links are constant and so:

$$\ddot{S} \text{ and } \dot{S} = 0$$

And the equation for acceleration become

$$\ddot{r}(t) = -(S\omega^2)U_\theta + (S\alpha)\dot{U}_\theta = (S\alpha)\dot{U}_\theta - (S\omega^2)U_\theta$$

➤ As shown in pervious chapters we can find the position and velocity analysis to 4-bar mech. And in this section we will find the acceleration analysis by adding new input which is α_2 and new unknown and they are α_3 and α_4

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4-bar mechanism

➤ To apply acceleration analysis on 4-bar mechanism, we derive the loop closure equation

$$\left[d_2 \alpha_2 \dot{U}_{\theta_2} - d_2 \omega_2^2 U_{\theta_2} \right] + \left[d_3 \alpha_3 \dot{U}_{\theta_3} - d_3 \omega_3^2 U_{\theta_3} \right] = \left[d_4 \alpha_4 \dot{U}_{\theta_4} - d_4 \omega_4^2 U_{\theta_4} \right]$$

➤ Dot product both sides by \mathbf{U}_{θ_3} to eliminate α_3

$$\begin{aligned} d_2 \alpha_2 \sin(\theta_3 - \theta_2) - d_2 \omega_2^2 \cos(\theta_3 - \theta_2) - d_3 \omega_3^2 \\ = d_4 \alpha_4 \sin(\theta_3 - \theta_4) - d_4 \omega_4^2 \cos(\theta_3 - \theta_4) \end{aligned}$$

➤ Solve for α_4 :

$$\alpha_4 = \frac{d_2 \alpha_2 \sin(\theta_3 - \theta_2) - d_2 \omega_2^2 \cos(\theta_3 - \theta_2) - d_3 \omega_3^2 + d_4 \omega_4^2 \cos(\theta_3 - \theta_4)}{d_4 \sin(\theta_3 - \theta_4)}$$

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➤ Dot product both sides by \mathbf{U}_{θ_4} to eliminate α_4

$$\begin{aligned} d_2 \alpha_2 \sin(\theta_4 - \theta_2) - d_2 \omega_2^2 \cos(\theta_4 - \theta_2) + d_3 \alpha_3 \sin(\theta_4 - \theta_3) - d_3 \omega_3^2 \cos(\theta_4 - \theta_3) \\ = -d_4 \omega_4^2 \end{aligned}$$

➤ Solve for α_3 :

$$\alpha_3 = \frac{-d_2 \alpha_2 \sin(\theta_4 - \theta_2) + d_2 \omega_2^2 \cos(\theta_4 - \theta_2) + d_3 \omega_3^2 \cos(\theta_4 - \theta_3) - d_4 \omega_4^2}{d_3 \sin(\theta_4 - \theta_3)}$$

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Slider crank mechanism

➤ For slider crank mechanism the input is α_2 and the outputs will be:

$$\ddot{S} \text{ and } \alpha_3$$

The L.C.E is

$$d_2 U_{\theta_2} + d_3 U_{\theta_3} + a U_{\alpha+90} = S U_{\alpha}$$

➤ Derive twice with respect to time

$$\left[d_2 \alpha_2 \dot{U}_{\theta_2} - d_2 \omega_2^2 U_{\theta_2} \right] + \left[d_3 \alpha_3 \dot{U}_{\theta_3} - d_3 \omega_3^2 U_{\theta_3} \right] = \ddot{S} U_{\alpha}$$

➤ Dot product both sides by U_{θ_3} to eliminate α_3

$$d_2 \alpha_2 \sin(\theta_3 - \theta_2) - d_2 \omega_2^2 \cos(\theta_3 - \theta_2) - d_3 \omega_3^2 = \ddot{S} \cos(\theta_3 - \alpha)$$

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➤ Solve for \ddot{S}

$$\ddot{S} = \frac{d_2 \alpha_2 \sin(\theta_3 - \theta_2) - d_2 \omega_2^2 \cos(\theta_3 - \theta_2) - d_3 \omega_3^2}{\cos(\theta_3 - \alpha)}$$

➤ Dot product both sides by \mathbf{U}'_α to eliminate \ddot{S}

$$d_2 \alpha_2 \cos(\theta_2 - \alpha) - d_2 \omega_2^2 \sin(\theta_2 - \alpha) + d_3 \alpha_3 \cos(\theta_3 - \alpha) - d_3 \omega_3^2 \sin(\theta_3 - \alpha) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_3 = \frac{d_2 \omega_2^2 \sin(\theta_2 - \alpha) + d_3 \omega_3^2 \sin(\theta_3 - \alpha) - d_2 \alpha_2 \cos(\theta_2 - \alpha)}{d_3 \cos(\theta_3 - \alpha)}$$