

15) What means "rate of change of angular momentum" for a SYSTEM of particles?

For which of these definitions of $\vec{H}_{/C}$ is the following equation of motion true: $\vec{M}_C = \dot{\vec{H}}_{/C}$?

a) $\vec{H}_{/C} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/C'} \times \vec{v}_{i/C'} m_i$

where C' is a point fixed in \mathcal{F} that instantaneously coincides with C

First, we know that $\vec{v}_{i/0} = \vec{v}_{C'/0} + \vec{v}_{i/C'}$

$$\Rightarrow * \quad \vec{v}_{i/C'} = \vec{v}_{i/0} - \vec{v}_{C'/0} \quad *$$

Subbing this into our expression for $\vec{H}_{/C}$:

$$\vec{H}_{/C} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/C'} \times (\vec{v}_{i/0} - \vec{v}_{C'/0}) m_i$$

Since C' is a fixed point in \mathcal{F} , $\vec{v}_{C'/0} = \vec{0}$

15) a) (continued)

$$\Rightarrow \vec{H}_{/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c'} \times (\vec{v}_{i/o} - \vec{0}) m_i$$

$$\vec{H}_{/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c'} \times \vec{v}_{i/o} m_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\vec{H}}_{/c} = \sum \left[\left(\dot{\vec{r}}_{i/c'} \times \vec{v}_{i/o} m_i \right) + \left(\vec{r}_{i/c'} \times \dot{\vec{v}}_{i/o} m_i \right) \right]$$

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Since C' is fixed in \mathcal{F} and the origin o is also fixed, the velocity of particle i with respect to C' and o will be the same

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_{i/c'} = \vec{v}_{i/o}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\vec{H}}_{/c} = \sum \left[\left(\cancel{\vec{v}_{i/o} \times \vec{v}_{i/o}} m_i \right) + \left(\vec{r}_{i/c'} \times \dot{\vec{a}}_{i/o} m_i \right) \right]$$

\circ since a vector crossed w/ itself is 0

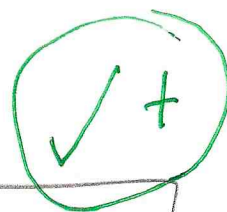
$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c'} \times \dot{\vec{a}}_{i/o} m_i$$

15) a) (continued)

Finally, since C' instantaneously coincides with C we have

$$\vec{r}_{i/C'} = \vec{r}_{i/C}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{H}_{i/C} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/C} \times \vec{a}_{i/O} m_i$$



It has been shown that this definition works in general.

15) b)

$$\vec{H}_{/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \dot{\vec{v}}_{i/o} m_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\vec{H}}_{/c} = \sum \left[(\dot{\vec{r}}_{i/c} \times \dot{\vec{v}}_{i/o} m_i) + (\vec{r}_{i/c} \times \ddot{\vec{v}}_{i/o} m_i) \right]$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{/c} = \sum \left[(\dot{\vec{v}}_{i/c} \times \dot{\vec{v}}_{i/o} m_i) + (\vec{r}_{i/c} \times \ddot{\vec{a}}_{i/o} m_i) \right]$$

This expressions collapses to $\dot{\vec{H}}_{/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \ddot{\vec{a}}_{i/o} m_i$ for some special cases :

1) If C is stationary ✓

If C is stationary, then we know that $\dot{\vec{v}}_{i/c} = \dot{\vec{v}}_{i/o}$

Since the origin O is also stationary

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\vec{H}}_{/c} = \sum \left[(\dot{\vec{v}}_{i/o} \times \dot{\vec{v}}_{i/o} m_i) + (\vec{r}_{i/c} \times \ddot{\vec{a}}_{i/o} m_i) \right]$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \ddot{\vec{a}}_{i/o} m_i \quad \checkmark$$

15) b) (continued)

2) If all particles i are moving away from point C in the same or opposite direction that they are moving away from point O

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_{i/c} \times \vec{v}_{i/o} = 0$$

\Rightarrow The point C is the origin, O

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum [(\vec{v}_{i/c} \times \vec{v}_{i/o} m_i) + (\vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/o} m_i)]$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum [(\vec{v}_{i/o} \times \vec{v}_{i/o} m_i) + (\vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/o} m_i)]$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/o} m_i \quad \checkmark$$

15) b) (continued)

3) All of the systems particles i are "stuck" to the point C

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_{i/C} = 0$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/C} = \sum \left[(\cancel{\vec{v}_{i/C}} \times \vec{v}_{i/O} m_i) + (\vec{r}_{i/C} \times \vec{a}_{i/O} m_i) \right]$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/C} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/C} \times \vec{a}_{i/O} m_i \quad \checkmark$$

\Rightarrow

This definition works for some special cases concerning the motions of the particles i and point C that I have outlined previously

15) c)

$$\vec{H}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{v}_{i/c} m_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum [(\dot{\vec{r}}_{i/c} \times \vec{v}_{i/c} m_i) + (\vec{r}_{i/c} \times \dot{\vec{v}}_{i/c} m_i)]$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum [(\vec{v}_{i/c} \times \vec{v}_{i/c} m_i) + (\vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/c} m_i)]$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/c} m_i$$

The expression collapses to $\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/o} m_i$ for the following cases:

1) C is stationary *can just refer to (a)*

If C is fixed, then the velocity of particles i with respect to C will be the same as the velocity of particles with respect to the origin O (since O is also fixed)

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_{i/c} = \vec{v}_{i/o}$$

15) c) (continued)

Taking a derivative yields that

$$* \vec{a}_{i/c} = \vec{a}_{i/o} *$$

Thus, we have

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/c} m_i$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/o} m_i \quad \checkmark$$

2) C is the origin, O

AND

fixed!
(not just
instantaneously.)

$\Rightarrow \vec{a}_{i/c} = \vec{a}_{i/o}$ and we get

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/c} m_i$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/o} m_i \quad \checkmark$$

So this is
a special case
of (2) above.
(Not needed)

15) c) (continued)

3) C is the center of mass (COM)

$$\text{We know that } \sum \vec{F}^{\text{ext}} = \sum m_i \vec{a}_{G/O}$$

Thus, if the sum of the external forces on this system is zero (a valid assumption) we get that

$$* \vec{a}_{G/O} = 0 * \quad \text{since } \sum m_i \text{ will not feasibly be equal to } 0$$

Also, we have that

$$\vec{r}_{i/O} = \vec{r}_{G/O} + \vec{r}_{i/G}$$

Differentiating twice with respect to time we get

$$\vec{a}_{i/O} = \vec{a}_{G/O} + \vec{a}_{i/G}$$

$$* \vec{a}_{i/O} = \vec{a}_{i/G} *$$

15) c) (continued)

Thus, we had

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/c} m_i$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/G} m_i \quad (\text{if } c = G)$$

Using the result that $\vec{a}_{i/O} = \vec{a}_{i/G}$ gives

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_{i/c} = \sum \vec{r}_{i/c} \times \vec{a}_{i/O} m_i \quad \checkmark$$

⇒ This definition works for some special cases concerning the motions of particles i and point C which have been previously outlined

NE MORE

Also if

\vec{a}_c is parallel to $\vec{r}_{G/c}$

$$\left[\text{then } \vec{r}_{G/c} \times \vec{a}_c = \vec{0} \right]$$

is one sometimes lets people get the right answer

when they don't deserve to.