

# **PHY 711 Classical Mechanics and Mathematical Methods**

**10-10:50 AM MWF Olin 103**

## **Plan for Lecture 4:**

- 1. Chapter 1 – scattering theory  
summary**
- 2. Chapter 2 – Physics described  
in an accelerated coordinate  
frame**

# PHY 711 Classical Mechanics and Mathematical Methods

MWF 10 AM-10:50 PM OPL 103 <http://www.wfu.edu/~natalie/f12phy711/>

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## Course schedule

(Preliminary schedule -- subject to frequent adjustment.)

	Date	F&W Reading	Topic	Assignment
1	Wed, 8/29/2012	Chap. 1	Review of basic principles; Scattering theory	<a href="#">#1</a>
2	Fri, 8/31/2012	Chap. 1	Scattering theory continued	<a href="#">#2</a>
3	Mon, 9/03/2012	Chap. 1	Scattering theory continued	<a href="#">#3</a>
4	Wed, 9/05/2012	Chap. 1 & 2	Scattering theory/Accelerated coordinate frame	<a href="#">#4</a>





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Prof. Cho Organizes the  
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Thinking Workshop for Middle

## Events

**Wed Sep 5, 2012**  
Physics Research  
Opportunities I  
4:00 PM in Olin 101  
Refreshments at 3:30 in  
Lobby

**Thu Sep 6, 2012**  
Society of Physics  
Students Meeting  
12:00 PM in Olin Lounge  
Pizza Provided - All  
Interested Invited!

**Wed Sep 12, 2012**  
Physics Research  
Opportunities II  
4:00 PM in Olin 101  
Refreshments at 3:30 in  
Lobby

**Wed Sep 19, 2012**  
Dr. Valentino Cooper

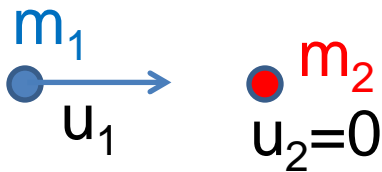
Fall 2012 Schedule  
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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00-9:00	Lecture Preparation/ Office Hours	Lecture Preparation/ Office Hours	Lecture Preparation/ Office Hours	Lecture Preparation/ Office Hours	Lecture Preparation/ Office Hours
9:00-10:00	General Physics I PHY113		General Physics I PHY113		General Physics I PHY113
10:00-11:00	Classical Mech PHY711		Classical Mech PHY711		Classical Mech PHY711
11:00-12:30	Office Hours	Physics Research	Office Hours	Physics Research	Office Hours
12:30-2:00	Condensed Matter Theory Journal Club		Physics Research		Physics Research
2:00-3:30	Physics Research		Physics Colloquium		CEES -- Renewable Energy Research
3:30-5:00					

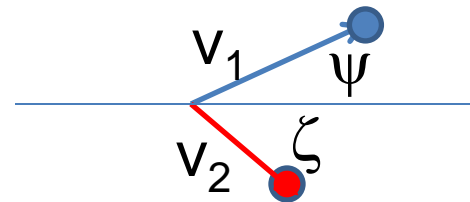
# Some more details on the laboratory and center of mass reference frames

Laboratory reference frame:

Before

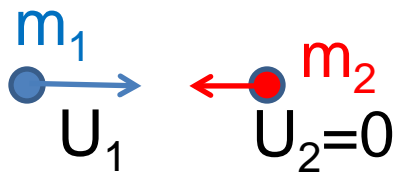


After

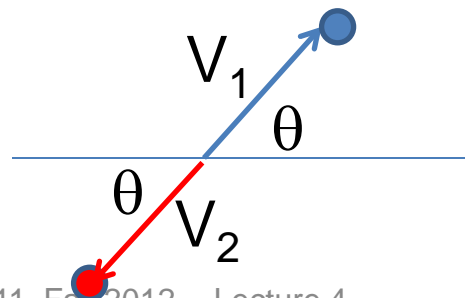


Center of mass reference frame:

Before



After



Laboratory reference frame:

Total energy of the system :

$$E_{LAB} = \frac{1}{2} m_1 \dot{\mathbf{r}}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 \dot{\mathbf{r}}_2^2 + V(|\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1|)$$

Relative coordinate :  $\mathbf{r} \equiv \mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1$

Center of mass coordinate :  $\mathbf{R}_{CM} \equiv \frac{m_1 \mathbf{r}_1 + m_2 \mathbf{r}_2}{m_1 + m_2}$

$$\begin{aligned} E_{LAB} &= \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2) \left| \dot{\mathbf{R}}_{CM} \right|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \mu \left| \dot{\mathbf{r}} \right|^2 + V(r) \\ &\equiv \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2) \left| \dot{\mathbf{R}}_{CM} \right|^2 + E_{CM} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mu \equiv \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$

Analysis before and after collision in CM frame:

Assume that before and after the collision,  $V(r) \approx 0$ :

$$E_{CM} = \frac{1}{2} \mu |\dot{\mathbf{r}}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} m_1 U_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 U_2^2 = \frac{1}{2} m_1 V_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 V_2^2$$

Conservation of momentum requires :

$$m_1 \mathbf{U}_1 + m_2 \mathbf{U}_2 = 0 = m_1 \mathbf{V}_1 + m_2 \mathbf{V}_2$$

$$\Rightarrow m_1 \mathbf{U}_1 = -m_2 \mathbf{U}_2 \quad \text{and} \quad m_1 \mathbf{V}_1 = -m_2 \mathbf{V}_2$$

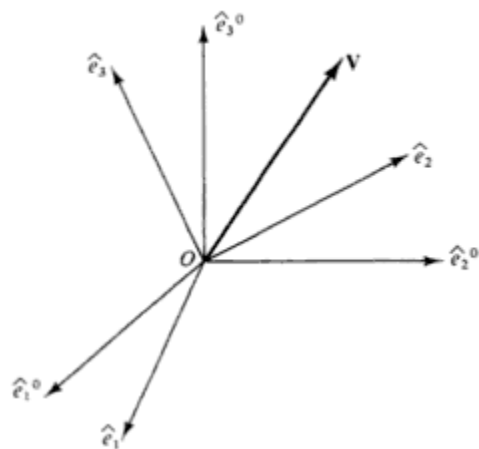
More algebra :

$$m_1 (U_1^2 - V_1^2) = -m_2 (U_2^2 - V_2^2)$$

$$m_1 (U_1^2 - V_1^2) = -\frac{m_1^2}{m_2} (U_1^2 - V_1^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow U_1 = V_1 \quad \text{and} \quad U_2 = V_2$$

# Physical laws as described in non-inertial coordinate systems



**Figure 6.1** Transformation to a rotating coordinate system.

Let  $\mathbf{V}$  be a general vector, e.g., the position of a particle. This vector can be characterized by its components with respect to either orthonormal triad. Thus we can write

$$\mathbf{V} = \sum_{i=1}^3 V_i^{00} \hat{e}_i^0 \quad (6.1a)$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \sum_{i=1}^3 V_i \hat{e}_i \quad (6.1b)$$



# Comparison of analysis in “inertial frame” versus “non-inertial frame”

Denote by  $\hat{e}_i^0$  a fixed coordinate system

Denote by  $\hat{e}_i$  a moving coordinate system

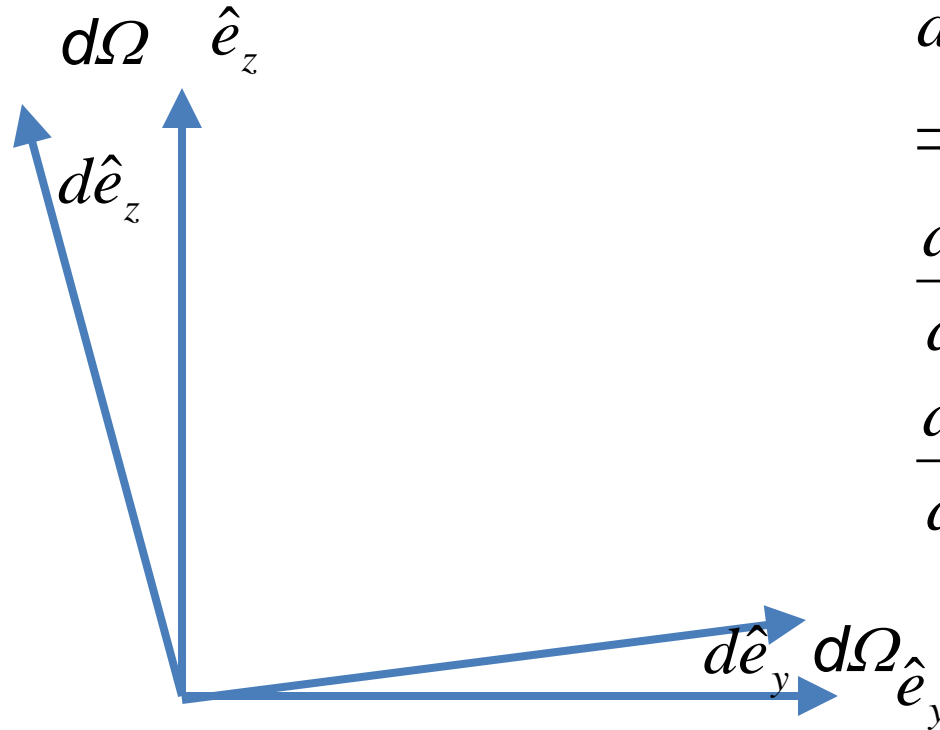
$$\mathbf{V} = \sum_{i=1}^3 V_i^0 \hat{e}_i^0 = \sum_{i=1}^3 V_i \hat{e}_i$$

$$\left( \frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt} \right)_{inertial} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{dV_i^0}{dt} \hat{e}_i^0 = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{dV_i}{dt} \hat{e}_i + \sum_{i=1}^3 V_i \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt}$$

$$\text{Define: } \left( \frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt} \right)_{body} \equiv \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{dV_i}{dt} \hat{e}_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt} \right)_{inertial} = \left( \frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt} \right)_{body} + \sum_{i=1}^3 V_i \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt}$$

# Properties of the frame motion (rotation):



$$d\hat{e}_y = d\Omega\hat{e}_z$$

$$d\hat{e}_z = -d\Omega\hat{e}_y$$

$$\Rightarrow d\hat{\mathbf{e}} = d\Omega \times \hat{\mathbf{e}}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{\mathbf{e}}}{dt} = \frac{d\Omega}{dt} \times \hat{\mathbf{e}}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{\mathbf{e}}}{dt} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \hat{\mathbf{e}}$$

$$\left(\frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt}\right)_{inertial} = \left(\frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt}\right)_{body} + \sum_{i=1}^3 V_i \frac{d\hat{e}_i}{dt}$$

$$\left(\frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt}\right)_{inertial} = \left(\frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt}\right)_{body} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{V}$$

Effects on acceleration:

$$\left(\frac{d}{dt} \frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt}\right)_{inertial} = \left( \left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)_{body} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \right) \left\{ \left(\frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt}\right)_{body} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{V} \right\}$$

$$\left(\frac{d^2\mathbf{V}}{dt^2}\right)_{inertial} = \left(\frac{d^2\mathbf{V}}{dt^2}\right)_{body} + 2\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \left(\frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt}\right)_{body} + \frac{d\boldsymbol{\omega}}{dt} \times \mathbf{V} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{V}$$

# Extension to rotation and translation of coordinate system


Denote by  $\left(\frac{d^2\mathbf{a}}{dt^2}\right)_{inertial}$  the acceleration of the coordinate system

$$\left(\frac{d^2\mathbf{V}}{dt^2}\right)_{inertial} = \left(\frac{d^2\mathbf{a}}{dt^2}\right)_{inertial} + \left(\frac{d^2\mathbf{V}}{dt^2}\right)_{body} + 2\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \left(\frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt}\right)_{body} + \frac{d\boldsymbol{\omega}}{dt} \times \mathbf{V} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{V}$$

Newton's laws; Let  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{r}$ , the position of particle of mass  $m$ :

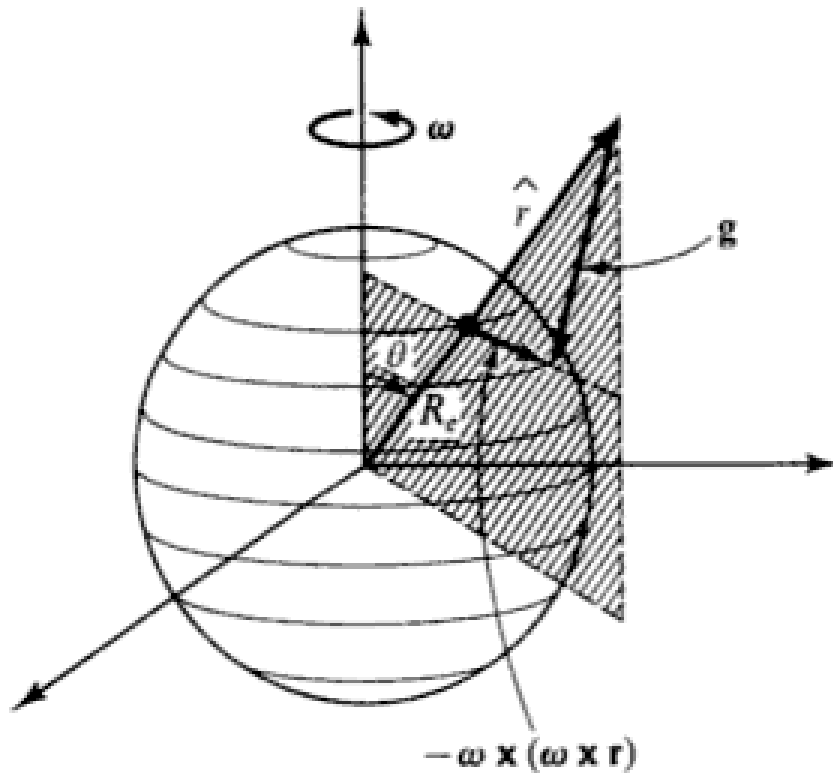
$$m \left(\frac{d^2\mathbf{r}}{dt^2}\right)_{inertial} = \mathbf{F}_{ext}$$

$$m \left(\frac{d^2\mathbf{r}}{dt^2}\right)_{body} = \mathbf{F}_{ext} - m \left(\frac{d^2\mathbf{a}}{dt^2}\right)_{inertial} - 2m\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \left(\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt}\right)_{body} - m \frac{d\boldsymbol{\omega}}{dt} \times \mathbf{r} - m\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

  
Coriolis  
force

  
Centrifugal  
force

# Motion on the surface of the Earth:



$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{\tau} \approx 7.3 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{ext} = -\frac{GM_e m}{r^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \mathbf{F}'$$

Main contributions :

$$m \left( \frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}}{dt^2} \right)_{earth} = -\frac{GM_e m}{r^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \mathbf{F}' - 2m\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \left( \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \right)_{earth} - m \frac{d\boldsymbol{\omega}}{dt} \times \mathbf{r} - m\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

# Non-inertial effects on effective gravitational “constant”

$$m \left( \frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}}{dt^2} \right)_{\text{earth}} = -\frac{GM_e m}{r^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \mathbf{F}' - 2m\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \left( \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \right)_{\text{earth}} - m \frac{d\boldsymbol{\omega}}{dt} \times \mathbf{r} - m\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

For  $\left( \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \right)_{\text{earth}} = 0$  and  $\left( \frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}}{dt^2} \right)_{\text{earth}} = 0$ ,

$$0 = -\frac{GM_e m}{r^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \mathbf{F}' - m\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

$$\mathbf{F}' = -m\mathbf{g}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{g} = -\frac{GM_e}{r^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}} - \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r} \Big|_{r \approx R_e}$$

$$= \left( -\frac{GM_e}{R_e^2} + \omega^2 R_e \sin^2 \theta \right) \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \sin \theta \cos \theta \omega^2 R_e \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$$



9.80 m/s<sup>2</sup>



0.03 m/s<sup>2</sup>