

# General Physics: Mechanics

**PHYS-101(en)**

**Lecture 14a:**

**Damped oscillations,  
rolling and review**

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# Announcements

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- The average grade of the 2nd Mock exam final was 6.5 out of 16
  - Most of you only had time to work on one of the two problems
  - The average thus suggests that you did well, just maybe slowly
  - Be sure to check the solutions on the Moodle and the comments written by the TAs on your graded exams to find weaknesses that you can focus on
- Pick up your exam later today during one of the breaks

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- Several past final exams now on the Moodle
- There will be two Review sessions in January
  - First one on Thursday, Jan. 9th, from 10h to 12h
  - Second one on Tuesday, Jan. 14th, 10h - 12h
  - Room numbers to be announced on the Moodle
  - You can come and ask any questions that you might have regarding the lectures, the exercises or the exam

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- The final exam will be on Friday January 17th 2025, starting at 9h15 in the SwissTech Convention Center
  - It will be 3.5 hours long in English
  - No calculator or electronic devices allowed
  - Write in blue or black pen
  - You can bring a single cheat sheet (A4, front and back) that must be handwritten by you

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# Conceptual question

A block of mass  $m$  is attached to a spring with spring constant  $k$ . It is free to slide along a horizontal frictionless surface. At  $t = 0$  the block-spring system is released from rest at a displacement  $x_0 > 0$  from the equilibrium position. What is the velocity of the block when it first passes through the equilibrium position?

A.  $v = -2x_0\sqrt{k/m}$

B.  $v = -x_0\sqrt{k/m}$

C.  $v = x_0\sqrt{k/m}$

D.  $v = 2x_0\sqrt{k/m}$

$$\omega_0^2 = \frac{k}{m}$$

$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega_0 t + \varphi)$$

$$v(t) = \dot{x}(t)$$

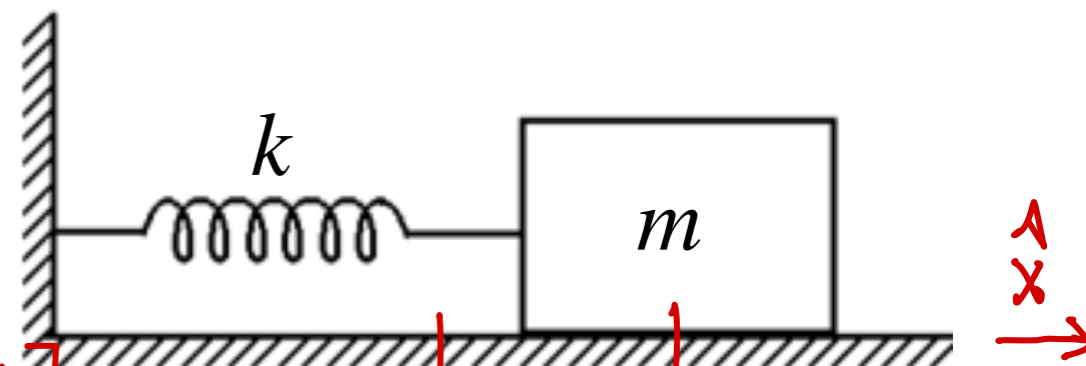
$$= A[-\sin(\omega_0 t + \varphi)\omega_0]$$

$$= -A\omega_0 \sin(\omega_0 t + \varphi)$$

$$v(t=0) = 0 = -A\omega_0 \sin(\varphi) \Rightarrow \varphi = 0 \text{ or } \pi$$

$$x(t=0) = x_0 = A \cos(\varphi) \Rightarrow \varphi \text{ has to be } 0 \text{ (}\varphi=0\text{)}$$

and  $A = x_0$

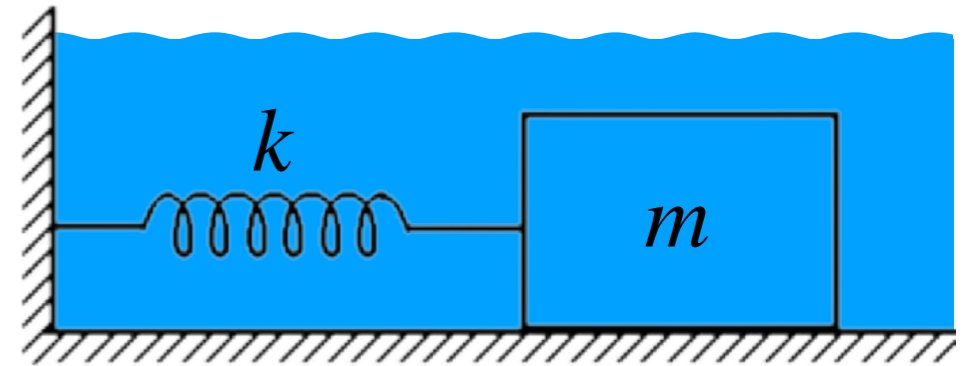


$$x_{eq} = 0 = x_0 \cos(\omega_0 t_{eq}) \Rightarrow \omega_0 t_{eq} = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow v_{eq} = v(t=t_{eq}) = -x_0 \omega_0 \sin(\omega_0 t_{eq}) = -x_0 \omega_0$$

# Damped oscillation

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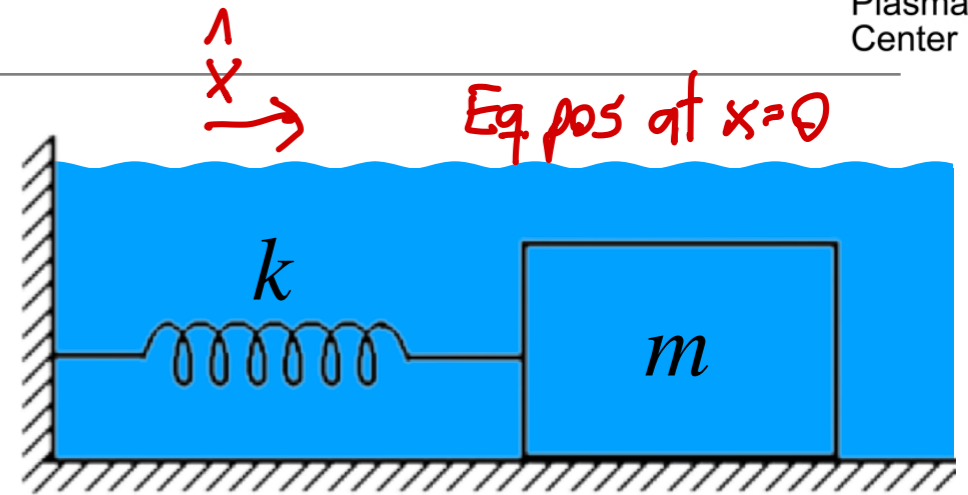




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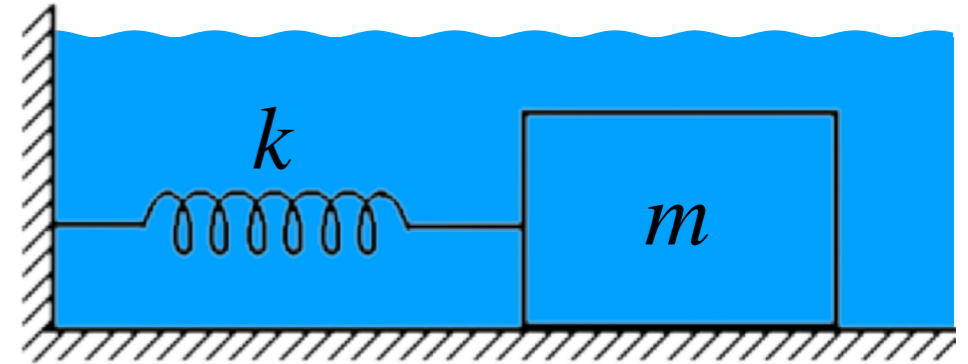
$$\Rightarrow -kx - \beta \frac{dx}{dt} = m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$$

$v = \frac{dx}{dt}$        $a = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$

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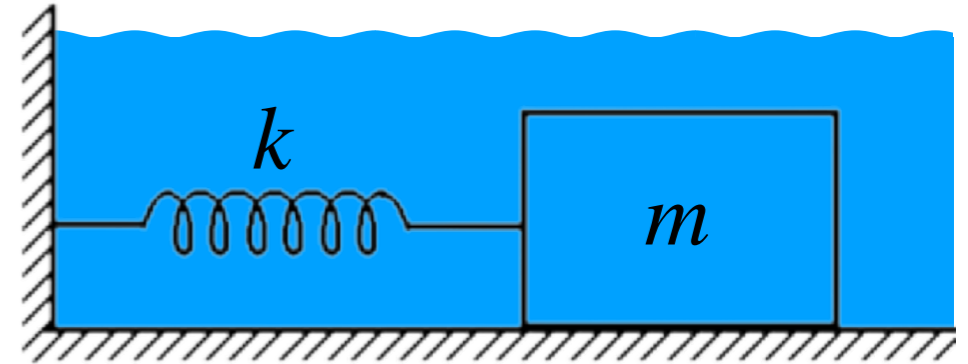
$$\Rightarrow m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \beta \frac{dx}{dt} + kx = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \underbrace{\frac{\beta}{m}}_{\equiv 2\lambda} \frac{dx}{dt} + \underbrace{\frac{k}{m}}_{\equiv \omega_0^2} x = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\beta}{m} \quad (\text{definition of } \lambda)$$

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# Three cases of damped oscillation

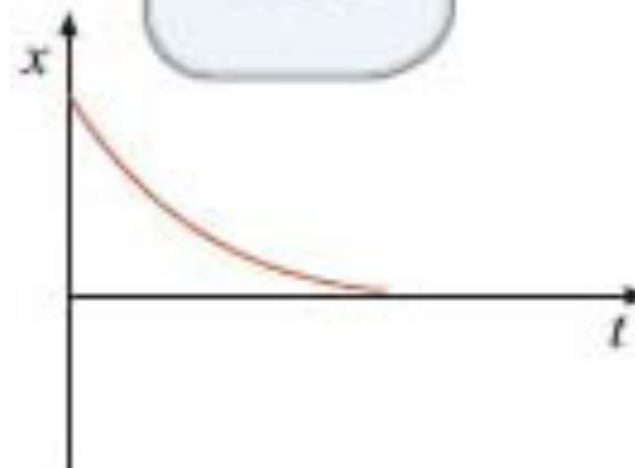
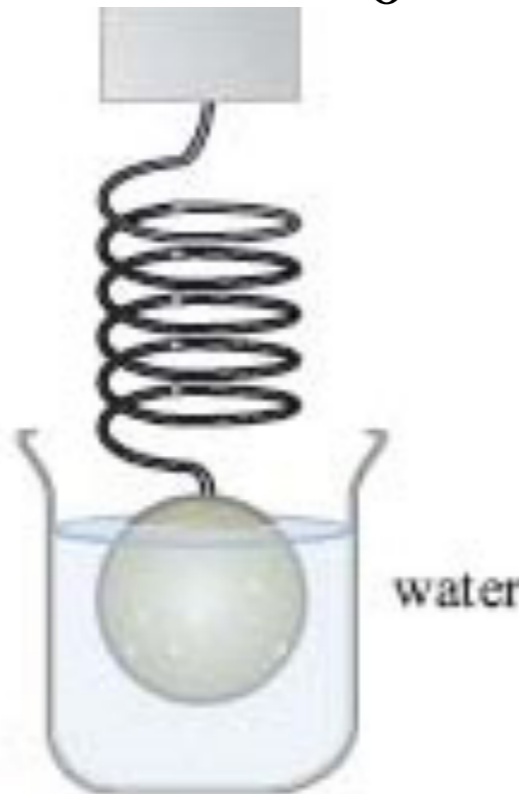
## Weak damping

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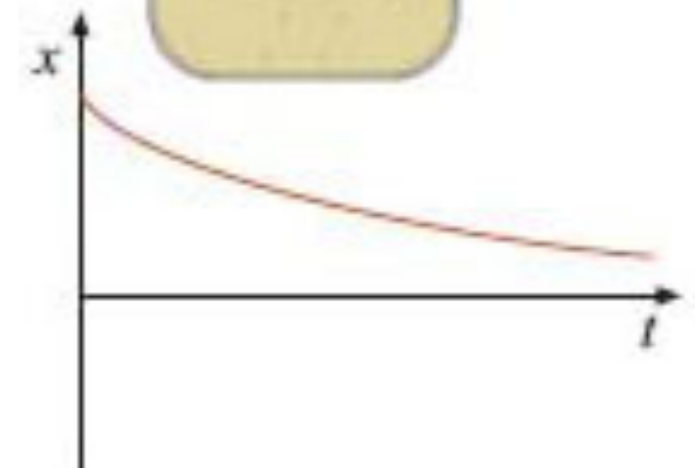
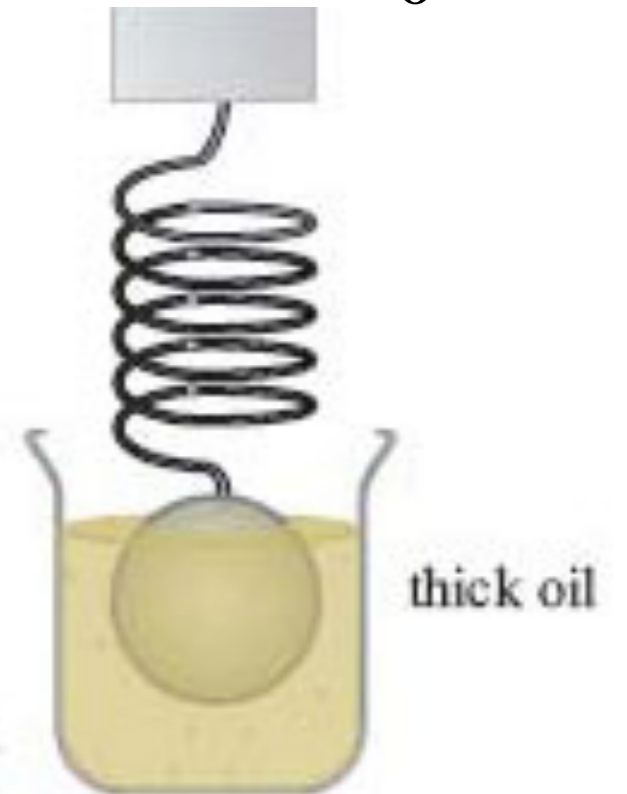
## Critical damping

$$\lambda^2 = \omega_0^2$$



## Strong damping

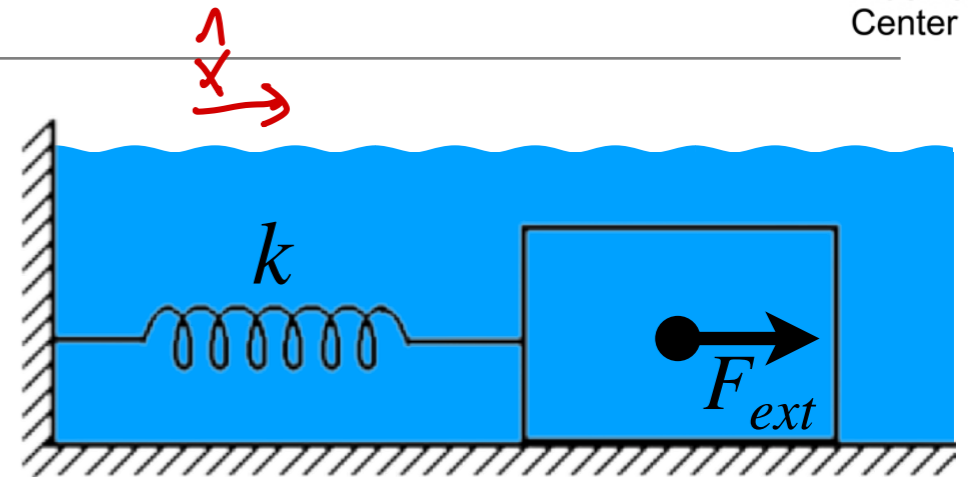
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- This represents the influence of an externally applied force with amplitude  $F_d$  and angular frequency  $\omega_d$

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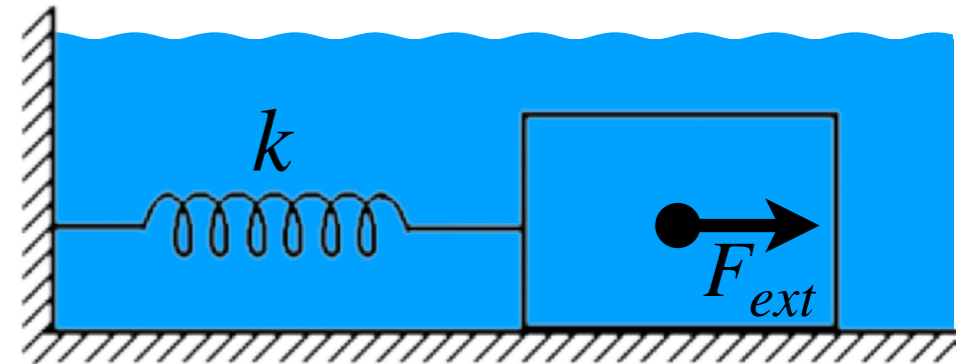
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$$x(t) = \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{homogeneous} \\ \text{solution} \end{array} \right) + A_d \cos(\omega_d t + \varphi_d)$$

*Decays to zero after waiting long enough*

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$$\varphi_d = \varphi_d(\omega_d) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2\lambda\omega_d}{\omega_d^2 - \omega_0^2} \right)$$

# Resonance

- When the driving frequency and natural frequency are very close,  $\omega_d \approx \omega_0$ , weird stuff can happen

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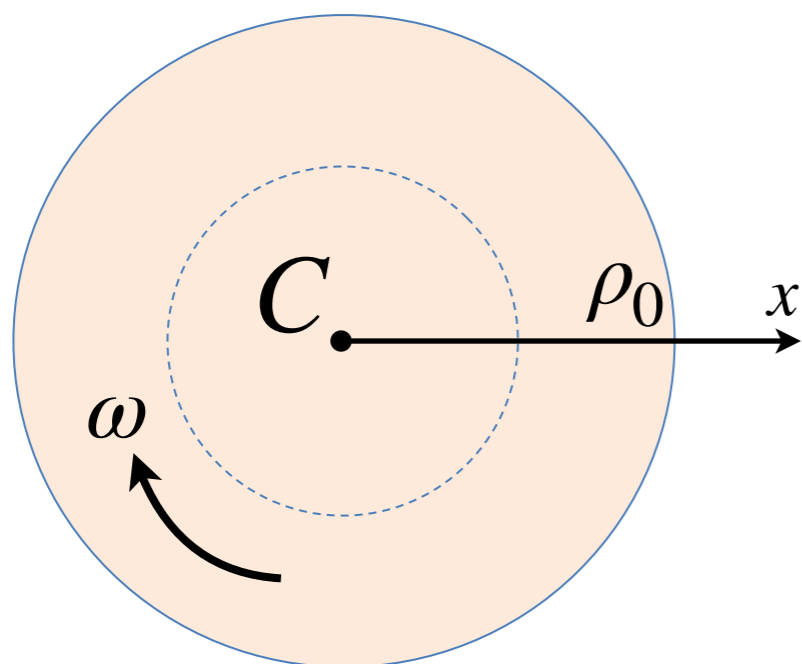
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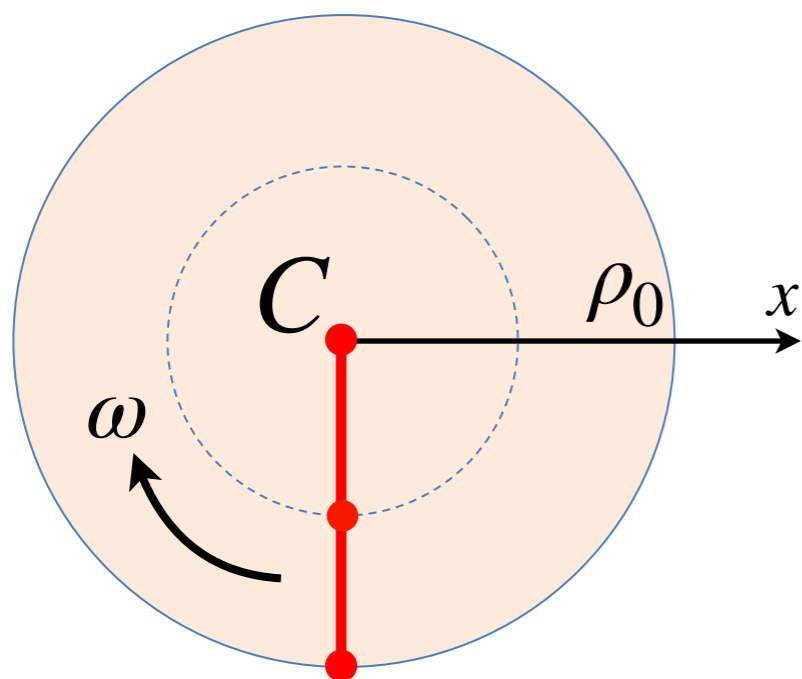
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$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} \quad \frac{d\omega}{dt} = \frac{d^2\phi}{dt^2}$$



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- The distance they move is the arc length  $\Delta\ell(\rho) = \rho\Delta\phi$ , so any point  $p$  has  $\vec{v}_{Cp} = \frac{\Delta\ell}{\Delta t}\hat{\phi} = \frac{\rho\Delta\phi}{\Delta t}\hat{\phi} = \rho\omega\hat{\phi}$  in the CM frame



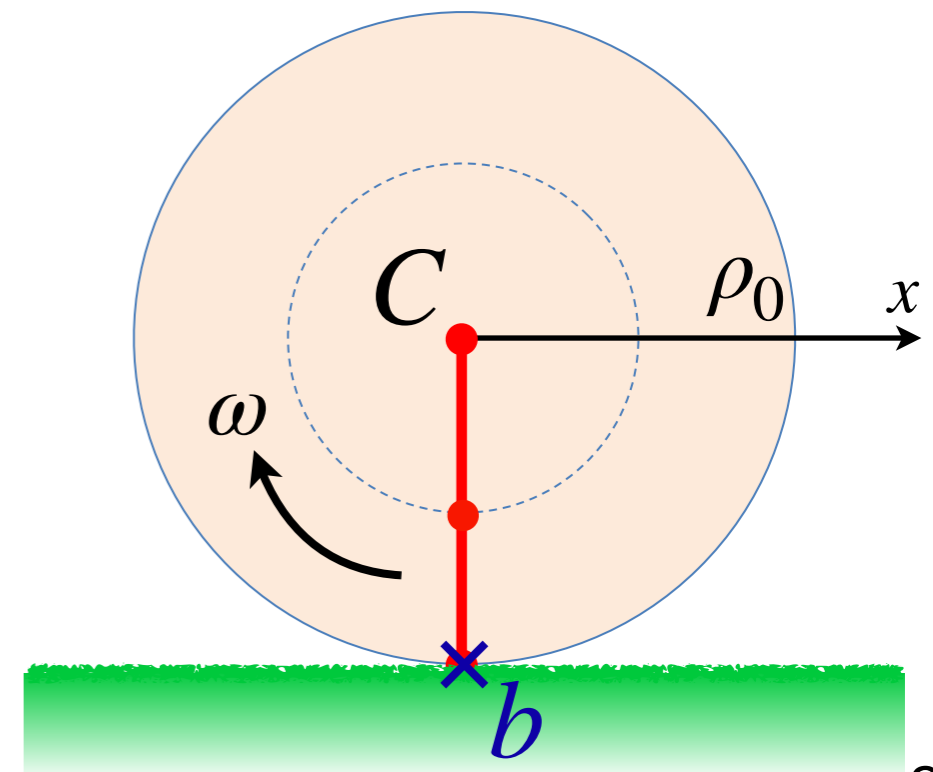


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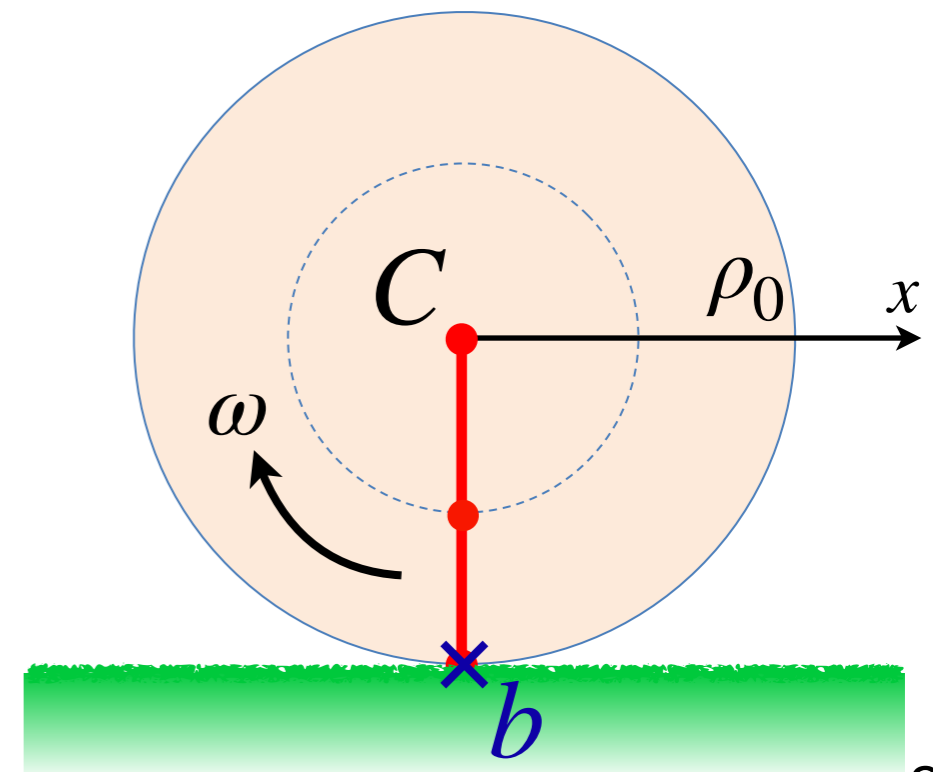
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- This means the friction is static, points in the opposite direction to translational acceleration, and does no work

$$W_s = \int \vec{F}_s \cdot d\vec{l} = 0$$

because  $\vec{F}_s \perp d\vec{l}$  always



# Rolling velocity and switching reference frames

- In the CM frame, all points on the rim have  $\vec{v}_{Cp} = \rho_0 \omega \hat{\phi}$
- In the frame of reference of the ground, the point touching the ground  $b$  has  $\vec{v}_{gb} = 0$

$$\vec{r}_{gb} = \vec{r}_{gc} + \vec{r}_{cb}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\vec{r}_{gb}) = \frac{d}{dt}(\vec{r}_{gc} + \vec{r}_{cb})$$

$$\vec{v}_{gb} = \vec{v}_{gc} + \vec{v}_{cb}$$

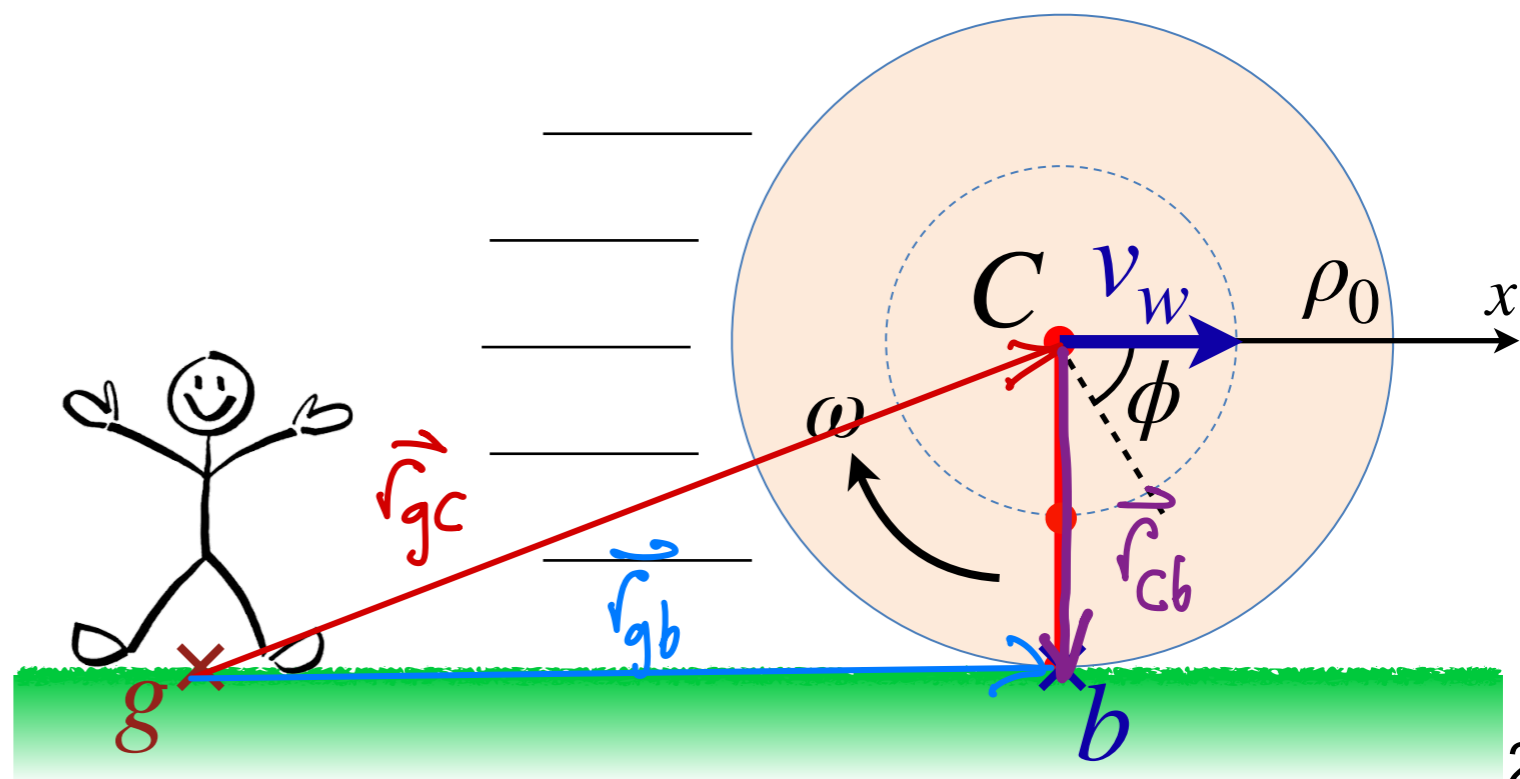
$$= \vec{v}_w + \rho_0 \omega \hat{\phi}_{cb}$$

$$0 = \vec{v}_w + \rho_0 \omega \hat{\phi}_{cb}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_w = -\rho_0 \omega \hat{\phi}_{cb}$$

$$= -\rho_0 \omega (-\hat{x})$$

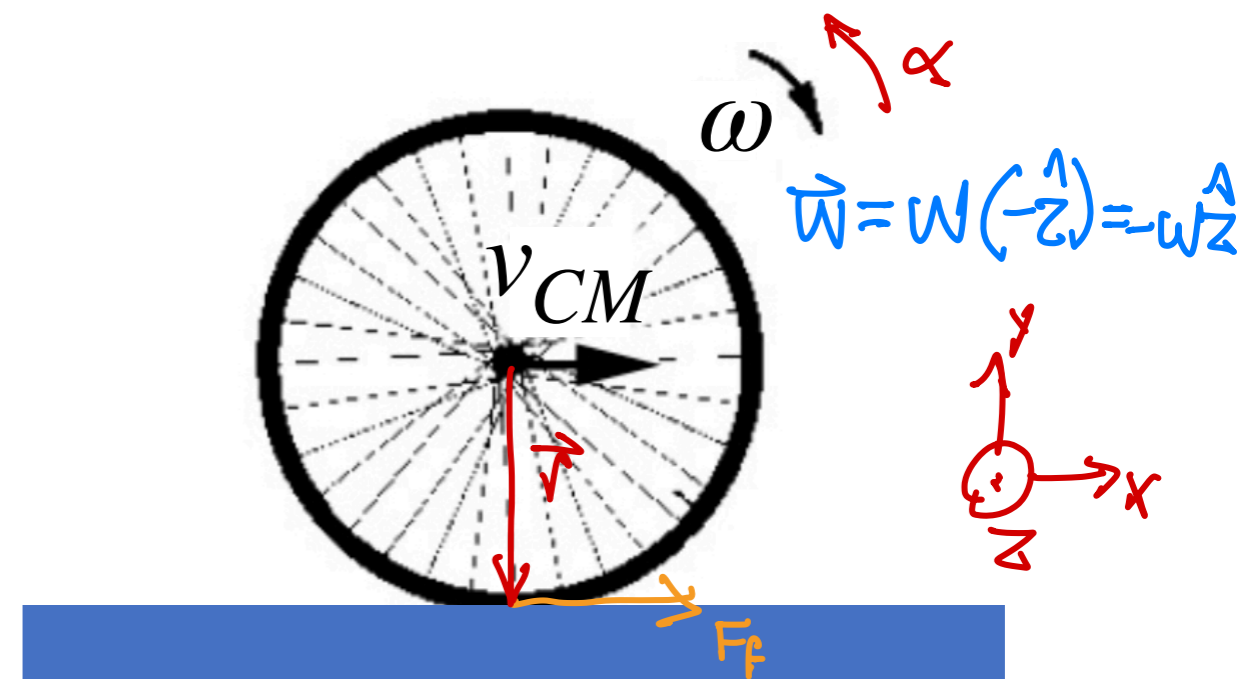
$$\boxed{\vec{v}_w = \rho_0 \omega \hat{x}}$$



# Conceptual question

A bicycle wheel is initially spinning in the air and then is put into contact with a rough surface (see figure). It slips against the surface. What is the direction of the kinetic friction force acting on the wheel?

- A. Points to the right
- B. Points to the left
- C. Points up
- D. Points down



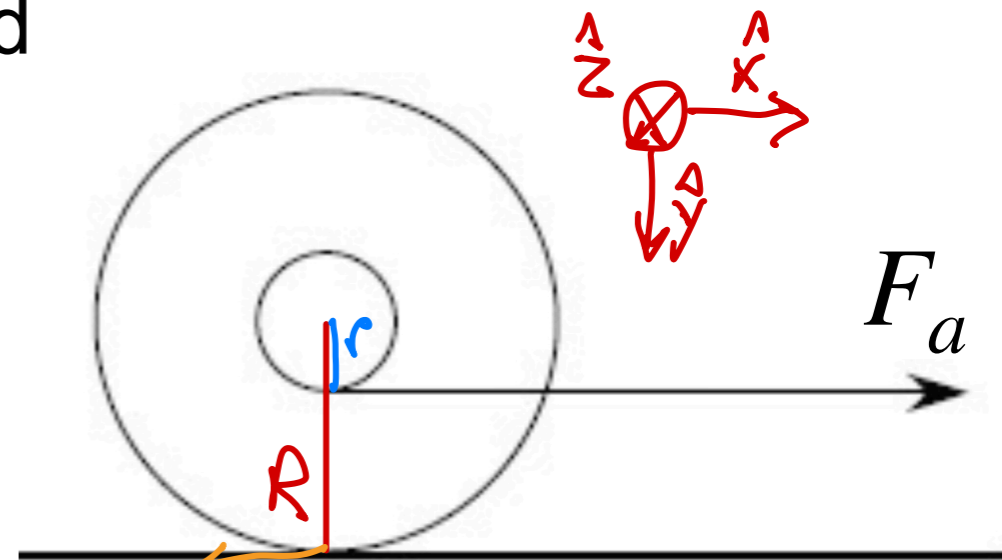
$$\vec{\tau}_{\text{net}} = I\vec{\alpha} \quad \vec{\tau}_P = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}_f = rF_f \hat{z} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{\tau}_{\text{net}} = \sum \vec{\tau} = \vec{\tau}_f = rF_f \hat{z} = I\vec{\alpha}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \vec{\omega} = -\omega \hat{z} \\ \vec{\alpha} = \frac{rF_f}{I} \hat{z} \end{array} \right\} \vec{\alpha} \text{ has direction opposite to } \vec{\omega}$$

# Example: Yo-yo

mass  $m$

A yo-yo is placed on a rough surface and rolls without slipping. It is composed of two disks separated by a spindle with a smaller diameter. A string is wound around the spindle and pulled with a force  $F_a$ . In which direction does it move? To the right, winding up the string, or to the left, unwinding the string?



$$\sum F_y: mg - N = 0 \Rightarrow mg = N$$

$$\sum F_x: F_a - F_f = m a_{cm}$$

$$F_f = F_a - m a_{cm}$$

$$\vec{\tau}_{net} = I \vec{\alpha} \quad \vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}$$

$$\vec{\tau}_{net} = \sum \vec{\tau} = \vec{\tau}_{F_a} + \vec{\tau}_{F_f} = (r \hat{y}) \times (F_a \hat{x}) + (R \hat{y}) \times (-F_f \hat{x}) = r F_a (\hat{y} \times \hat{x}) - R F_f (\hat{y} \times \hat{x})$$

$$= (r F_a - R F_f) (-\hat{z}) = (R F_f - r F_a) \hat{z} = I \vec{\alpha} = I \left( \frac{a_{cm}}{R} \right) \hat{z}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{a_{cm}}{R}$$

for no slip

$$\frac{I}{R} a_{cm} = R F_f - r F_a = R [F_a - m a_{cm}] - r F_a = R F_a - r F_a - m R a_{cm}$$

$$\frac{I}{R} a_{cm} + m R a_{cm} = \left( \frac{I}{R} + m R \right) a_{cm} = (R - r) F_a$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{cm} = (R - r) \left( \frac{I}{R} + m R \right)^{-1} F_a > 0$$

# DEMO (45)

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Rolling with slipping