

ME 2580 Example #45a: (Rigid Body Kinetics – Work and Energy Example #1)

Given: $\ell = 4$ (m), $m = 18$ (kg), $M = 50$ (N-m) = constant

released from rest at $\theta = 10$ (deg), neglect friction

Find: ω the angular velocity of AB when $\theta = 40$ (deg)

Solution: position 1 is $\theta = 10$ (deg), and position 2 is $\theta = 40$ (deg)

$$\boxed{KE_1 + U_{1 \rightarrow 2} = KE_2}$$

with

$$\boxed{KE_1 = 0} \text{ (released from rest)}$$

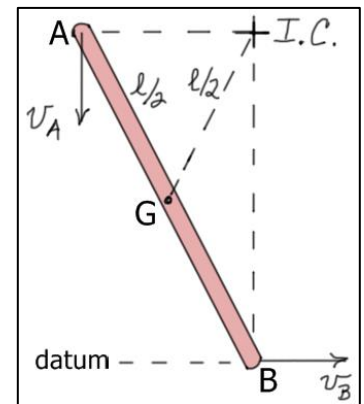
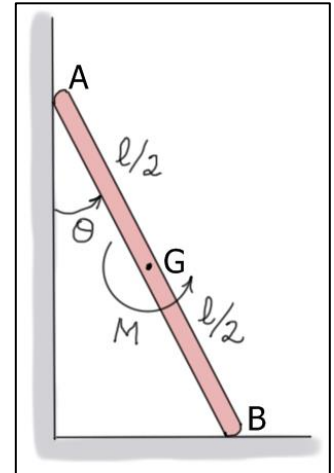
$$\boxed{KE_2 = \frac{1}{2} I_{IC} \omega^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3} m \ell^2 \right) \omega^2 = \frac{1}{6} m \ell^2 \omega^2 = 48 \omega^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} U_{1 \rightarrow 2} &= (U_{1 \rightarrow 2})_{\text{gravity}} + (U_{1 \rightarrow 2})_M = V_1 - V_2 + M(\Delta\theta) \\ &= mg \left(\frac{\ell}{2} \right) \cos(10) - mg \left(\frac{\ell}{2} \right) \cos(40) + 50(40 - 10) \frac{\pi}{180} \\ &= 77.2585 + 26.1799 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{U_{1 \rightarrow 2} = 103.438 \text{ (N-m)}}$$

Solving,

$$48 \omega^2 = 103.438 \Rightarrow \boxed{\omega \approx 1.47 \text{ (r/s)}} \curvearrowright$$



Notes:

1. The *instantaneous center (IC)* is used to calculate the kinetic energy of AB . Compare this to using the *general formula* $KE = \frac{1}{2} m v_G^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_G \omega^2$. To use the general formula in this case, the mass-center velocity v_G must be written in terms of the angular velocity ω .
2. This problem becomes much more difficult if *friction* is included. Why?