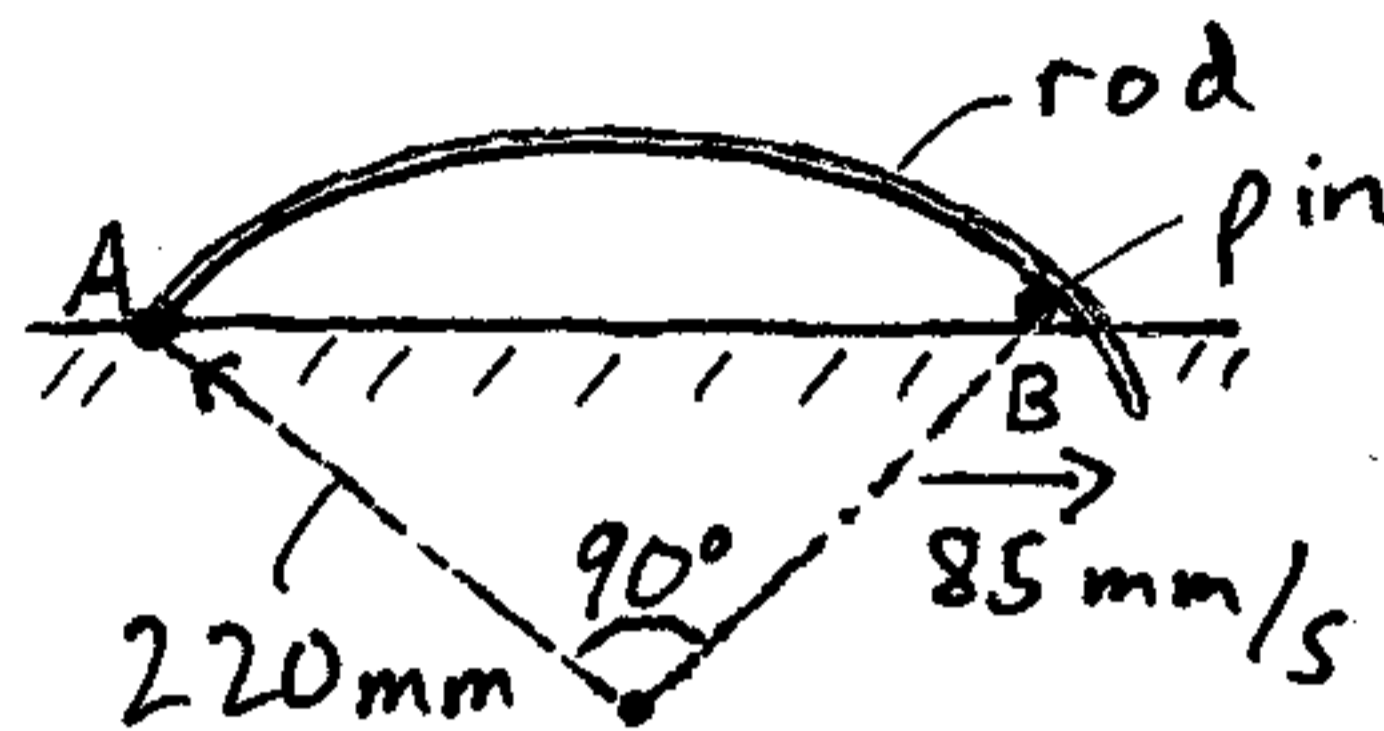
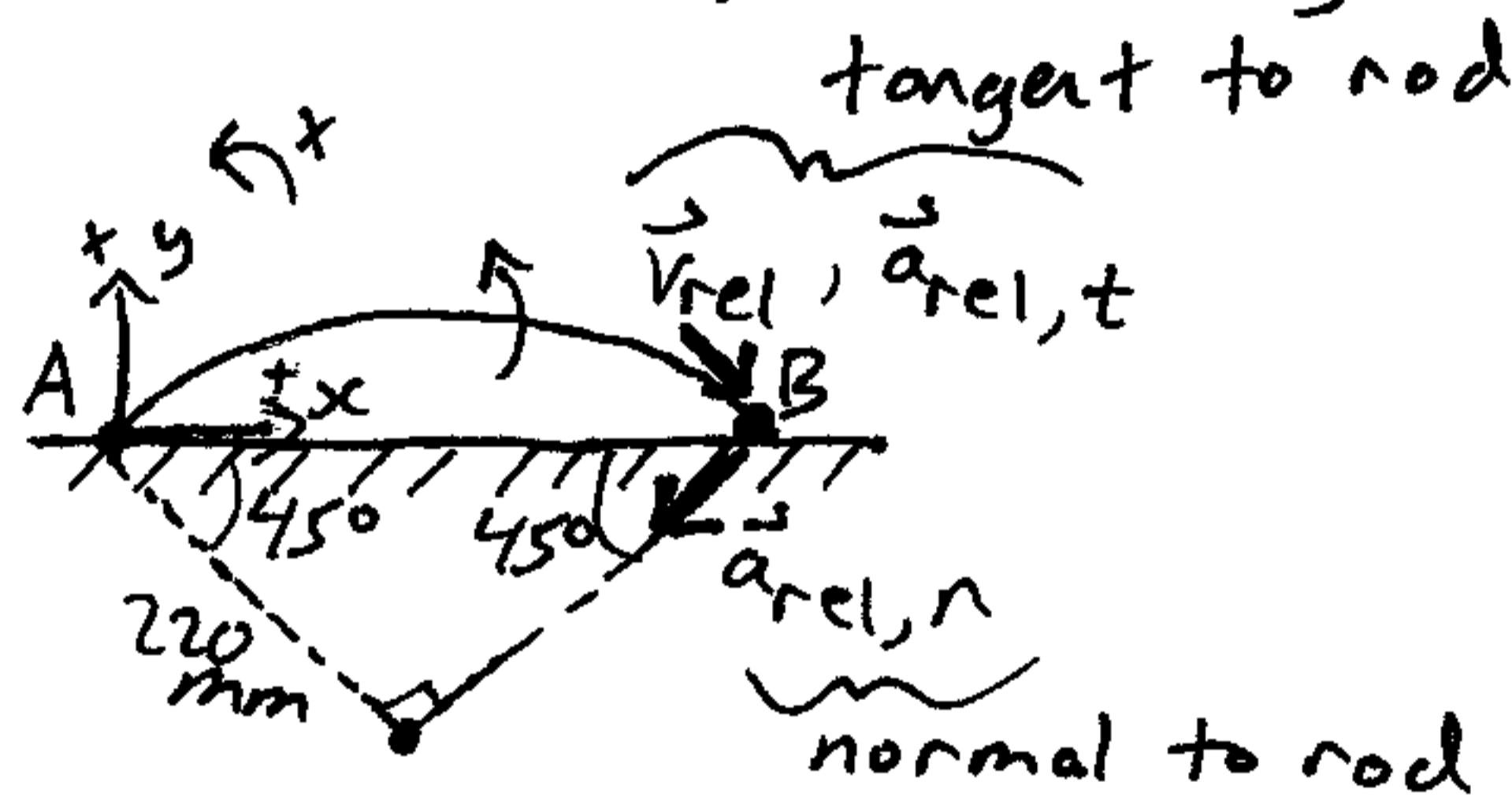


This is a 2D relative-motion analysis problem involving rotating axes (engineering mechanics).



A rod in the shape of a circular arc rotates about A such that a pin pushing against the rod, as shown, is moving to the right at a constant speed of 85 mm/s. Determine the angular velocity and angular acceleration of the rod at the instant shown. Note that the pin is sliding along the rod.

Solution:



$$\vec{v}_B = \vec{v}_A + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{B/A} + (\vec{v}_{B/A})_{rel} \quad \text{I}$$

$$\vec{a}_B = \vec{a}_A + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{B/A} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{B/A}) + 2\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{v}_{B/A})_{rel} + (\vec{a}_{B/A})_{rel} \quad \text{II}$$

$$\vec{v}_A = 0 \quad (\text{fixed pivot point})$$

$$\vec{\omega} = \omega \hat{k} \text{ rad/s} \quad (\omega \text{ is unknown})$$

- it is the magnitude of the angular velocity of rod

$$\vec{v}_B = 85 \hat{i} \text{ mm/s} \quad (\text{as given in problem statement})$$

$$(\vec{v}_{B/A})_{\text{rel}} = \vec{v}_{\text{rel}} = v_{\text{rel}} \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} - v_{\text{rel}} \sin 45^\circ \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{r}_{B/A} = 2(220) \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} \text{ mm} \quad (\text{ } v_{\text{rel}} \text{ is unknown - it is the magnitude of the velocity of the pin relative to the rod})$$

$$\vec{a}_B = 0 \quad (\text{since } \vec{v}_B \text{ is constant})$$

$$\vec{a}_A = 0 \quad (\text{fixed pivot point})$$

$$\vec{\alpha} = \alpha \hat{k} \text{ rad/s}^2 \quad (\alpha \text{ is unknown - it is the magnitude of the angular acceleration of rod})$$

$$(\vec{a}_{B/A})_{\text{rel}} = \vec{a}_{\text{rel},t} + \vec{a}_{\text{rel},n}$$

$$\vec{a}_{\text{rel},t} = a_{\text{rel},t} \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} - a_{\text{rel},t} \sin 45^\circ \hat{j}$$

$$\vec{a}_{\text{rel},n} = -a_{\text{rel},n} \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} - a_{\text{rel},n} \sin 45^\circ \hat{j} \quad (\text{ } a_{\text{rel},t} \text{ is unknown - it is the magnitude of the tangential acceleration of the pin, relative to the rod})$$

$$(\text{ } a_{\text{rel},n} \text{ is the magnitude of the normal acceleration of the pin, relative to the rod})$$

$$a_{\text{rel},n} = \frac{(v_{\text{rel}})^2}{220} \quad (\text{centripetal acceleration since the pin follows a circular arc along the rod})$$

Substitute known quantities into equations I and II:

$$\textcircled{I} \Rightarrow 85 \hat{i} = 0 + \omega \hat{k} \times 2(220) \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} + v_{rel} \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} - v_{rel} \sin 45^\circ \hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow 85 \hat{i} = 2(220) \cos 45^\circ \omega \hat{j} - v_{rel} \sin 45^\circ \hat{j} + v_{rel} \cos 45^\circ \hat{i}$$

By comparison:  
 ( $\hat{i}$  terms)  $v_{rel} \cos 45^\circ = 85$   
 $v_{rel} = 120.208 \text{ mm/s}$   
 and

( $\hat{j}$  terms)  $0 = 2(220) \cos 45^\circ \omega - v_{rel} \sin 45^\circ$

Note that if this were negative it would mean  $\omega$  is in opposite direction

$$\omega = 0.273 \text{ rad/s} \quad \uparrow \text{ (answer)}$$

$$\textcircled{II} \Rightarrow 0 = 0 + \omega \hat{k} \times 2(220) \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} + \omega \hat{k} \times (\omega \hat{k} \times 2(220) \cos 45^\circ \hat{i}) + 2 \omega \hat{k} \times (v_{rel} \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} - v_{rel} \sin 45^\circ \hat{j}) + a_{rel,t} \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} - a_{rel,t} \sin 45^\circ \hat{j} - \frac{(v_{rel})^2}{220} \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} - \frac{(v_{rel})^2}{220} \sin 45^\circ \hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 2(220) \cos 45^\circ \alpha \hat{j} - 2(220) \cos 45^\circ \omega^2 \hat{i} + 2\omega v_{rel} \cos 45^\circ \hat{j} + 2\omega v_{rel} \sin 45^\circ \hat{i} + a_{rel,t} \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} - a_{rel,t} \sin 45^\circ \hat{j} - \frac{(v_{rel})^2}{220} \cos 45^\circ \hat{i} - \frac{(v_{rel})^2}{220} \sin 45^\circ \hat{j}$$

By comparison:

( $\hat{i}$  terms)  $0 = -2(220) \cos 45^\circ \omega^2 + 2\omega v_{rel} \sin 45^\circ + a_{rel,t} \cos 45^\circ - \frac{(v_{rel})^2}{220} \cos 45^\circ$

$$a_{rel,t} = 2(220) \omega^2 - 2\omega v_{rel} + \frac{(v_{rel})^2}{220}$$

sub.  $\omega$  and  $v_{rel}$ :

$$a_{rel,t} = 2(220)(0.273)^2 - 2(0.273)(120.208) + \frac{(120.208)^2}{220}$$

$$a_{rel,t} = 32.841 \text{ mm/s}^2$$

By comparison:

( $\hat{j}$  terms)  $0 = 2(220) \cos 45^\circ \alpha + 2\omega v_{rel} \cos 45^\circ - a_{rel,t} \sin 45^\circ - \frac{(v_{rel})^2}{220} \sin 45^\circ$

$$\alpha = \frac{a_{rel,t} + \frac{(v_{rel})^2}{220} - 2\omega v_{rel}}{2(220)}$$

Note, if this were negative it would mean  $\alpha$  is in opposite direction

sub.  $\omega$ ,  $v_{rel}$ , and  $a_{rel,t}$ :  $\alpha = 0.0747 \text{ rad/s}^2$  (answer)