

3.5 SLIDER-CRANK MECHANISM

The configuration and the velocity diagrams of a slider-crank mechanism discussed in Sec. 2.9 have been reproduced in Figs. 3.4(a) and (b).

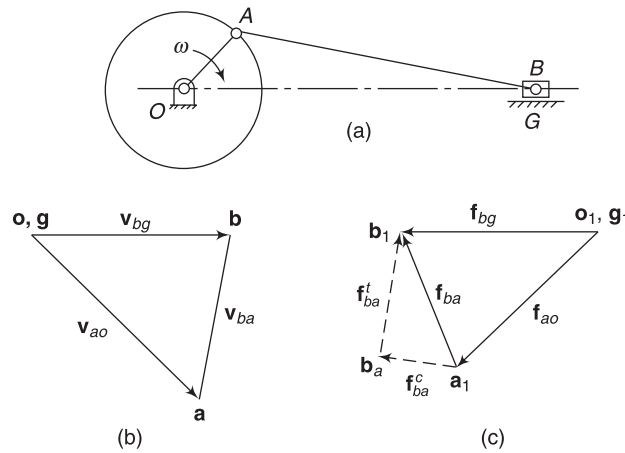


Fig. 3.4

Writing the acceleration equation,

Acc. of B rel. to O = Acc. of B rel. to A + Acc. of A rel. to O

$$\mathbf{f}_{bo} = \mathbf{f}_{ba} + \mathbf{f}_{ao};$$

$$\mathbf{f}_{bg} = \mathbf{f}_{ao} + \mathbf{f}_{ba} = \mathbf{f}_{ao} + \mathbf{f}_{ba}^c + \mathbf{f}_{ba}^t$$

$$\mathbf{g}_1 \mathbf{b}_1 = \mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_a + \mathbf{b}_a \mathbf{b}_1$$

The crank *OA* rotates at a uniform velocity, therefore, the acceleration of *A* relative to *O* has only the centripetal component. Similarly, the slider moves in a linear direction and thus has no centripetal component.

Setting the vector table (Table 3.2):

Table 3.2

S.N.	Vector	Magnitude	Direction	Sense
1.	\mathbf{f}_{ao} or $\mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{a}_1$	$\frac{(oa)^2}{OA}$ $\frac{(oa)^2}{OA}$	$\parallel OA$	$\rightarrow O$
2.	\mathbf{f}_{ba}^c or $\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_a$	$\frac{(ab)^2}{AB}$	$\parallel AB$	$\rightarrow A$
3.	\mathbf{f}_{ba}^t or $\mathbf{b}_a \mathbf{b}_1$	—	$\perp AB$	—
4.	\mathbf{f}_{bg} or $\mathbf{g}_1 \mathbf{b}_1$	—	\parallel to line of motion of <i>B</i>	—

Construct the acceleration diagram as follows:

1. Take the first vector \mathbf{f}_{ao} .
2. Add the second vector to the 1st.

3. For the third vector, draw a line \perp to AB through the head \mathbf{b}_a of the second vector.
4. For the fourth vector, draw a line through \mathbf{g}_1 parallel to the line of motion of the slider.

This completes the velocity diagram.

Acceleration of the slider $B = \mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{b}_1$ (or $\mathbf{g}_1 \mathbf{b}_1$)

Total acceleration of B relative to $A = \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_1$

Note that for the given configuration of the mechanism, the direction of the acceleration of the slider is opposite to that of the velocity. Therefore, the acceleration is negative or the slider is decelerating while moving to the right.

Example 3.1 Figure 3.5(a) shows the configuration diagram of a four-link mechanism along with the lengths of the links in mm. The link AB has an instantaneous angular velocity of 10.5 rad/s and a retardation of 26 rad/s^2 in the counter-clockwise direction. Find

- (i) the angular accelerations of the links BC and CD
- (ii) the linear accelerations of the points E , F and G .

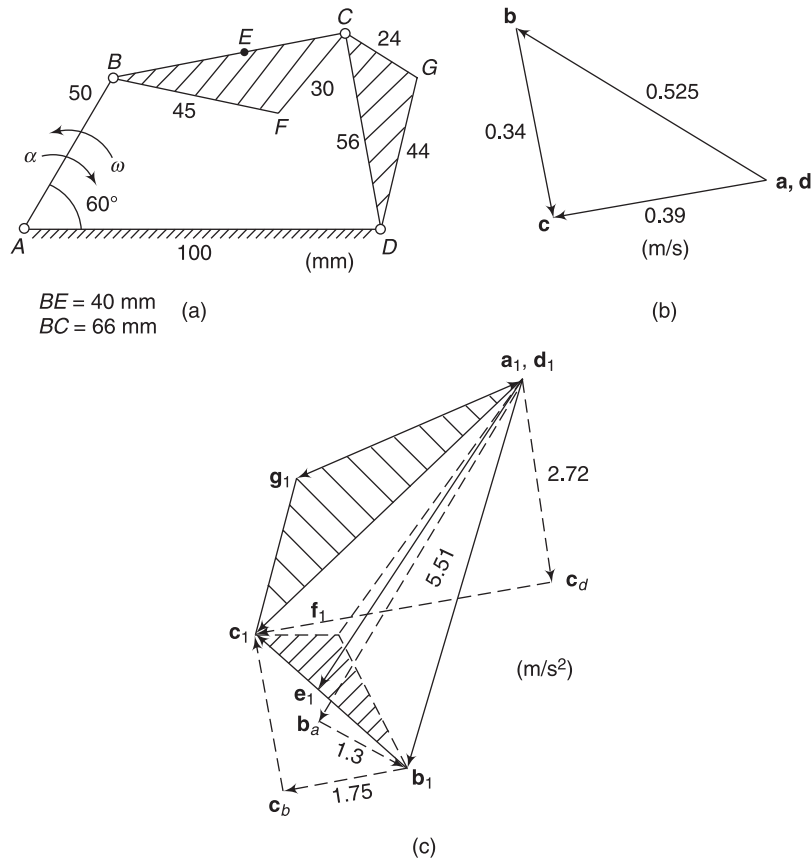


Fig. 3.5

Solution

$$v_b = 10.5 \times 0.05 = 0.525 \text{ m/s}$$

Complete the velocity diagram [Fig. 3.5(b)] as explained in Example 2.1.

Writing the vector equation for acceleration,

Acc. of *C* rel. to *A* = Acc. of *C* rel. to *B* + Acc. of *B* rel. to *A*

$$\mathbf{f}_{ca}^c = \mathbf{f}_{cb}^c + \mathbf{f}_{ba}^c$$

or

$$\mathbf{f}_{cd}^c = \mathbf{f}_{ba}^c + \mathbf{f}_{cb}^c$$

or

$$\mathbf{d}_1 \mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_1$$

Each vector has a centripetal and a tangential component,

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$$\mathbf{f}_{cd}^c + \mathbf{f}_{cd}^t = \mathbf{f}_{ba}^c + \mathbf{f}_{ba}^t + \mathbf{f}_{cb}^c + \mathbf{f}_{cb}^t$$

or

$$\mathbf{d}_1 \mathbf{c}_d + \mathbf{c}_d \mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_a + \mathbf{b}_a \mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_b + \mathbf{c}_b \mathbf{c}_1$$

Set the following vector table (Table 3.3):

Table 3.3

S.N.	Vector	Magnitude (m/s ²)	Direction	Sense
1.	\mathbf{f}_{ba}^c or $\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_a$	$\frac{(\mathbf{ab})^2}{AB} = \frac{(0.525)^2}{0.05} = 5.51$	∥ <i>AB</i>	→ <i>A</i>
2.	\mathbf{f}_{ba}^t or $\mathbf{b}_a \mathbf{b}_1$	$\alpha \times AB = 26 \times 0.05 = 1.3$	⊥ <i>AB</i> or ∥ ab	→ a
3.	\mathbf{f}_{cb}^c or $\mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_b$	$\frac{(\mathbf{bc})^2}{BC} = \frac{(0.34)^2}{0.066} = 1.75$	∥ <i>BC</i>	→ <i>B</i>
4.	\mathbf{f}_{cb}^t or $\mathbf{b}_b \mathbf{c}_1$	—	⊥ <i>BC</i>	—
5.	\mathbf{f}_{cd}^c or $\mathbf{d}_1 \mathbf{c}_d$	$\frac{(\mathbf{dc})^2}{DC} = \frac{(0.39)^2}{0.56} = 2.72$	∥ <i>DC</i>	→ <i>D</i>
6.	\mathbf{f}_{cd}^t or $\mathbf{c}_d \mathbf{c}_1$	—	⊥ <i>DC</i>	—

Draw the acceleration diagram as follows:

- (i) Take the pole point \mathbf{a}_1 or \mathbf{d}_1 [Fig. 3.5(c)].
- (ii) Starting from \mathbf{a}_1 , take the first vector $\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_a$.
- (iii) To the first vector, add the second vector and to the second vector, add the third.
- (iv) The vector 4 is known in direction only. Therefore, through the head \mathbf{c}_b of the third vector, draw a line, ⊥ to *BC*. The point \mathbf{c}_1 of the fourth vector is to lie on this line.
- (v) Start with \mathbf{d}_1 and take the fifth vector $\mathbf{d}_1 \mathbf{c}_d$.
- (vi) The sixth vector is known in direction only. Draw a line ⊥ to *DC* through head \mathbf{c}_d of the fifth vector, the intersection of which with the line in step (d) locates the point \mathbf{c}_1 .
- (vii) Join $\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_1$, $\mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_1$ and $\mathbf{d}_1 \mathbf{c}_1$.

Now, $\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_1$ represents the total accelerations of point *B* relative to point *A*.

Similarly, $\mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_1$ is the total acceleration of *C* relative to *B* and $\mathbf{d}_1 \mathbf{c}_1$ is the total acceleration of *C* relative to *D*.

[Note: In the acceleration diagram shown in Fig. 2.5(c), arrowhead has been put on the line joining points \mathbf{b}_1 and \mathbf{c}_1 in such a way that it represents the vector for acceleration of *C* relative to *B*. This satisfies the above equation. As the same equation, $\mathbf{f}_{cd} = \mathbf{f}_{ba} + \mathbf{f}_{cb}$ can also be put as $\mathbf{f}_{cd} + \mathbf{f}_{bc} = \mathbf{f}_{ba}$ or $\mathbf{d}_1 \mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{b}_1 = \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_1$

This shows that on the same line joining \mathbf{b}_1 and \mathbf{c}_1 , arrowhead should be marked in the other direction so that it represents the vector of acceleration of B relative to C to satisfy the latter equation. This implies that in case both the ends of a link are in motion, the arrowhead may be put in either direction or no arrowhead is put at all. This is because every time it is not necessary to write the acceleration equation. The acceleration equation is helpful only at the initial stage for better comprehension.]

(i) Angular accelerations

$$\alpha_{bc} = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{cb}^t \text{ or } \mathbf{c}_b \mathbf{c}_1}{BC} = \frac{2.25}{0.066} = 34.09 \text{ rad/s}^2 \text{ counter-clockwise}$$

$$\alpha_{cd} = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{cd}^t \text{ or } \mathbf{c}_d \mathbf{c}_1}{CD} = \frac{4.43}{0.056} = 79.11 \text{ rad/s}^2 \text{ counter-clockwise}$$

(ii) Linear accelerations

(a) Locate point \mathbf{e}_1 on $\mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_1$ such that $\frac{\mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{e}_1}{\mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_1} = \frac{BE}{BC}$

$$f_e = \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{e}_1 = 5.15 \text{ m/s}^2$$

(b) Draw $\Delta \mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{f}_1$ similar to ΔBCF keeping in mind that BCF as well as $\mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{f}_1$ are read in the same order (clockwise in this case)

$$\therefore f_f = \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{f}_1 = 4.42 \text{ m/s}^2$$

(c) Linear acceleration of point G can also be found by drawing the acceleration image of the triangle DCG on $\mathbf{d}_1 \mathbf{c}_1$ in the acceleration diagram such that order of the letters remains the same.

$$f_g = \mathbf{d}_1 \mathbf{g}_1 = 3.9 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Example 3.2 For the configuration of a slider-crank mechanism shown in Fig. 3.6(a), calculate

(i) the acceleration of the slider at B

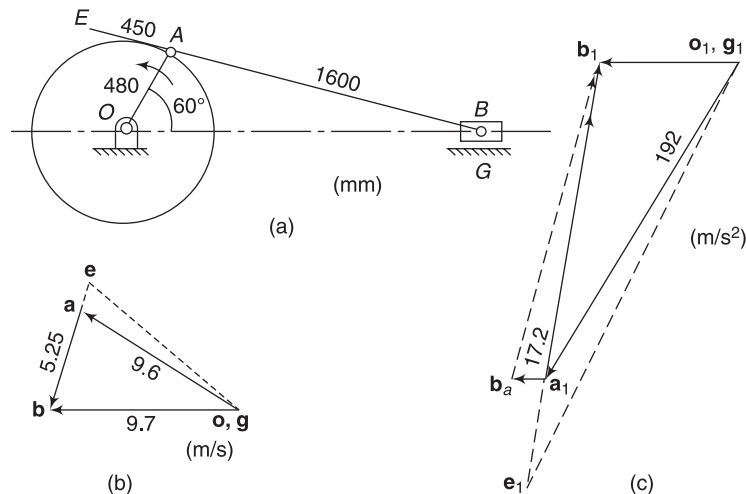


Fig. 3.6

- (ii) the acceleration of point E
 (iii) the angular acceleration of link AB .
 OA rotates at 20 rad/s counter-clockwise.

Solution

$$v_a = 20 \times 0.48 = 9.6 \text{ m/s}$$

Complete the velocity diagram as shown in Fig. 3.6(b).

Writing the vector equation, $\mathbf{f}_{bo} = \mathbf{f}_{ba} + \mathbf{f}_{ao}$

$$\text{or } \mathbf{f}_{bg} = \mathbf{f}_{ao} + \mathbf{f}_{ba} = \mathbf{f}_{ao}^c + \mathbf{f}_{ba}^c + \mathbf{f}_{ba}^t$$

$$\text{or } \mathbf{g}_1 \mathbf{b}_1 = \mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_a + \mathbf{b}_a \mathbf{b}_1$$

Set the vector table as given follows in Table 3.4.

Table 3.4

S.N.	Vector	Magnitude (m/s^2)	Direction	Sense
1.	\mathbf{f}_{ao}^c or $\mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{a}_1$	$\frac{(\mathbf{oa})^2}{OA} = \frac{(9.6)^2}{0.48} = 192$	$\parallel OA$	$\rightarrow O$
2.	\mathbf{f}_{ba}^c or $\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_a$	$\frac{(\mathbf{ab})^2}{AB} = \frac{(5.25)^2}{1.60} = 17.2$	$\parallel AB$	$\rightarrow A$
3.	\mathbf{f}_{ba}^t or $\mathbf{b}_a \mathbf{b}_1$	—	$\perp AB$	—
4.	\mathbf{f}_{bg} or $\mathbf{g}_1 \mathbf{b}_1$	—	\parallel to slider motion	—

The acceleration diagram is drawn as follows:

- Take the pole point \mathbf{o}_1 or \mathbf{g}_1 [Fig. 3.6(c)].
- Take the first vector $\mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{a}_1$ and to it add the second vector.
- For the third vector, draw a line \perp to AB through the head \mathbf{b}_a of the second vector.
- For the fourth vector, draw a line \parallel to the line of motion of the slider through \mathbf{g}_1 . The intersection of this line with the line drawn in step (d) locates point \mathbf{b}_1 .
- Join $\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{b}_1$.

$$(i) f_b = \mathbf{g}_1 \mathbf{b}_1 = 72 \text{ m/s}^2$$

As the direction of acceleration \mathbf{f}_b is the same as of \mathbf{v}_b , this means the slider is accelerating at the instant.

$$(ii) \text{ Locate point } \mathbf{e}_1 \text{ on } \mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{a}_1 \text{ produced such that } \frac{\mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{e}_1}{\mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{a}_1} = \frac{\mathbf{BE}}{\mathbf{BA}}$$

$$f_e = \mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{e}_1 = 236 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$(iii) \alpha_{ab} = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{ba}^t}{AB} = \frac{\mathbf{b}_a \mathbf{b}_1}{AB} = \frac{167}{1.6} = 104 \text{ rad/s}^2 \text{ counter-clockwise}$$

Example 3.3 In the mechanism shown in Fig. 3.7(a), the crank OA rotates at 60 rpm. Determine

- the linear acceleration of the slider at B
- the angular acceleration of the links AC , CQD and BD .

Solution

$$v_a = \frac{2\pi \times 60}{60} \times 0.15 = 0.94 \text{ m/s}$$

Complete the velocity diagram as shown in Fig. 3.7(b).

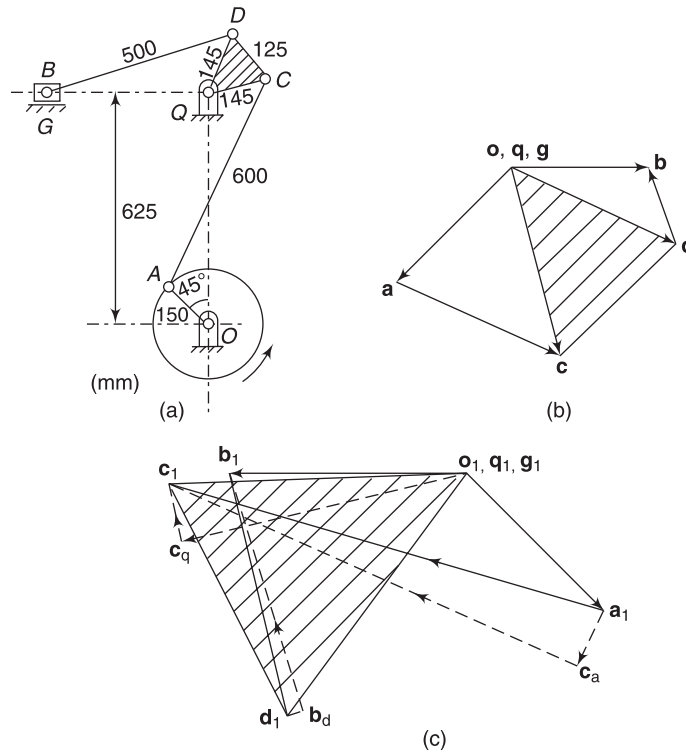


Fig. 3.7

It is a six-link mechanism. First consider the four-link mechanism $OACQ$ and write the vector equation

$$\mathbf{f}_{co} = \mathbf{f}_{ca} + \mathbf{f}_{ao} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{f}_{cq} = \mathbf{f}_{ao} + \mathbf{f}_{ca} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{q}_1 \mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{c}_1$$

Links AC and CQ each can have centripetal and tangential components.

$$\mathbf{f}_{cq}^c + \mathbf{f}_{cq}^t = \mathbf{f}_{ao} + \mathbf{f}_{ca}^t + \mathbf{f}_{ca}^c$$

$$\text{or} \quad \mathbf{q}_1 \mathbf{c}_q + \mathbf{c}_q \mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{c}_a + \mathbf{c}_a \mathbf{a}_1$$

Set the following vector table (Table 3.5):

Table 3.5

S.N.	Vector	Magnitude (m/s^2)	Direction	Sense
1.	\mathbf{f}_{ao} or $\mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{a}_1$	$\frac{(\mathbf{oa})^2}{OA} = \frac{(0.94)^2}{0.15} = 5.92$	$\parallel OA$	$\rightarrow O$
2.	\mathbf{f}_{ca}^c or $\mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{c}_a$	$\frac{(\mathbf{ac})^2}{AC} = \frac{(1.035)^2}{0.60} = 1.79$	$\parallel AC$	$\rightarrow A$
3.	\mathbf{f}_{ca}^t or $\mathbf{c}_a \mathbf{c}_1$	—	$\perp AC$	—
4.	\mathbf{f}_{cq}^c or $\mathbf{q}_1 \mathbf{c}_q$	$\frac{(\mathbf{qc})^2}{QC} = \frac{(1.14)^2}{0.145} = 8.96$	$\parallel QC$	$\rightarrow Q$
5.	\mathbf{f}_{cq}^t or $\mathbf{c}_q \mathbf{c}_1$	—	$\perp QC$	—

Complete the acceleration vector diagram $\mathbf{o}_1\mathbf{a}_1\mathbf{c}_1\mathbf{q}_1$ as usual [Fig. 3.7(c)].

Draw $\Delta\mathbf{c}_1\mathbf{q}_1\mathbf{d}_1$ similar to ΔCQD such that both are read in the same sense, i.e. clockwise.

Write the vector equation for the slider-crank mechanism QDB ,

$$\mathbf{f}_{bq} = \mathbf{f}_{bd} + \mathbf{f}_{dq} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{f}_{bg} = \mathbf{f}_{dq} + \mathbf{f}_{bd} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{g}_1\mathbf{b}_1 = \mathbf{q}_1\mathbf{d}_1 + \mathbf{d}_1\mathbf{b}_1$$

From this equation $\mathbf{q}_1\mathbf{d}_1$ is already drawn in the diagram and $\mathbf{g}_1\mathbf{b}_1$ is a linear acceleration component.

$$\mathbf{f}_{bg} = \mathbf{f}_{dq} + \mathbf{f}_{bd}^c + \mathbf{f}_{bd}^t \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{g}_1\mathbf{b}_1 = \mathbf{q}_1\mathbf{d}_1 + \mathbf{d}_1\mathbf{b}_d + \mathbf{b}_d\mathbf{b}_1$$

Set the following vector table (Table 3.6).

Table 3.6

S.N.	Vector	Magnitude (m/s^2)	Direction	Sense
1.	\mathbf{f}_{dq} or $\mathbf{q}_1\mathbf{d}_1$	Already drawn	—	—
2.	\mathbf{f}_{bd}^c or $\mathbf{d}_1\mathbf{b}_d$	$\frac{(\mathbf{db})^2}{DB} = \frac{(0.495)^2}{0.50} = 0.49$	$\parallel DB$	$\rightarrow D$
3.	\mathbf{f}_{bd}^t or $\mathbf{b}_d\mathbf{b}_1$	—	$\perp DB$	—
4.	\mathbf{f}_{bg} or $\mathbf{g}_1\mathbf{b}_1$	—	\parallel to slider motion	—

Complete the acceleration vector diagram $\mathbf{q}_1\mathbf{d}_1\mathbf{b}_1\mathbf{g}_1$.

(i) $f_g = \mathbf{g}_1\mathbf{b}_1 = 7 \text{ m/s}^2$ towards left

As the acceleration \mathbf{f}_b is opposite to \mathbf{v}_b , the slider is decelerating.

(ii) $\alpha_{ac} = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{ca}^t \text{ or } \mathbf{c}_a\mathbf{c}_1}{AC} = \frac{13.8}{0.6} = 23 \text{ rad/s}^2$ counter-clockwise

$$\alpha_{cqd} = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{cq}^t \text{ or } \mathbf{c}_q\mathbf{c}_1}{QC} = \frac{2.0}{0.145} = 13.8 \text{ rad/s}^2 \text{ counter-clockwise}$$

$$\alpha_{bd} = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{bd}^t \text{ or } \mathbf{b}_d\mathbf{b}_1}{BD} = \frac{7.2}{0.5} = 14.4 \text{ rad/s}^2 \text{ clockwise}$$

Example 3.4 In the mechanism shown in Fig. 3.8, the crank OA rotates at 210 rpm clockwise. For the given configuration, determine the velocities and accelerations of the sliders B , D and F .

Solution

$$v_a = \frac{2\pi \times 210}{60} \times 0.2 = 4.4 \text{ m/s}$$

Complete the velocity diagram as follows:

- For the slider crank mechanism OAB , complete the velocity diagram as usual.
- Locate point c on vector \mathbf{ab} .
- Draw a vertical line through \mathbf{g}' for the vector \mathbf{v}'_{dg} and a line $\perp CD$ for the vector \mathbf{v}_{dc} , the intersection of the two locates the point \mathbf{d} .
- Extend vector consider to \mathbf{e} such that $\mathbf{ce}/\mathbf{cd} = CE/CD$.
- Draw a horizontal line through \mathbf{g}'' for the vector \mathbf{v}''_{fg} and a line $\perp EF$ for the vector \mathbf{v}_{fe} , the intersection of the two locates the point \mathbf{f} .

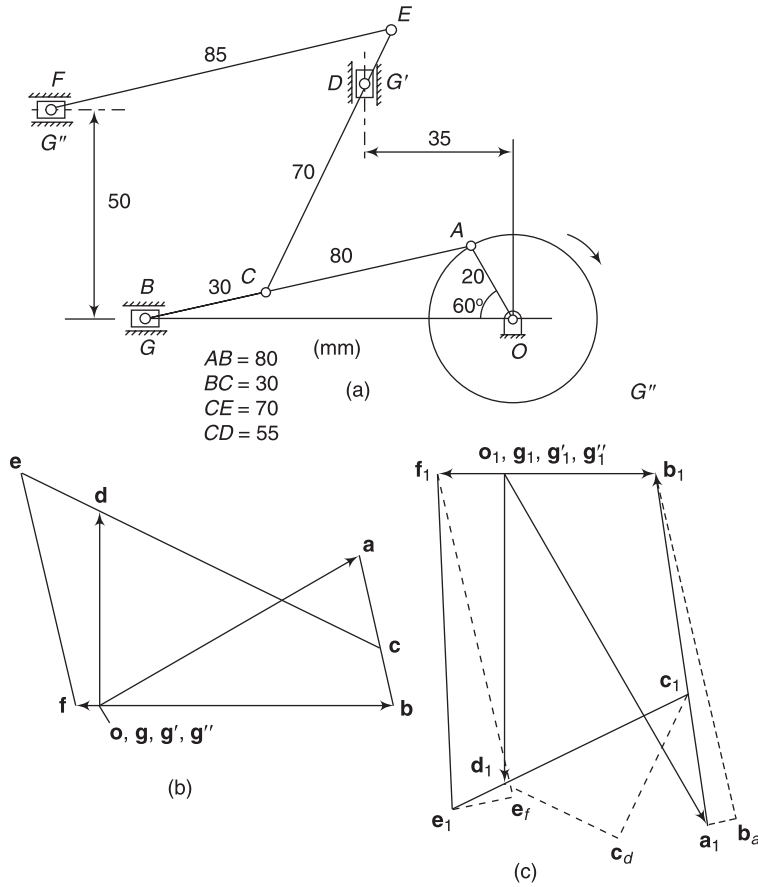


Fig. 3.8

Thus, velocity diagram is completed.

Velocity of slider B = **gb** = 4.65 m/s

Velocity of slider D = **g'd** = 2.85 m/s

Velocity of slider F = **g''f** = 0.35 m/s

Set the following vector table as given in Table 3.7.

Table 3.7

S.N.	Vector	Magnitude (m/s^2)	Direction	Sense
1.	f_{ao}^c or o₁a₁	$\frac{(oa)^2}{OA} = \frac{(4.4)^2}{0.2} = 96.8$	$\parallel OA$	$\rightarrow O$
2.	f_{ba}^c or a₁b_a	$\frac{(ab)^2}{AB} = \frac{(2.26)^2}{0.8} = 6.4$	$\parallel AB$	$\rightarrow A$

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3.	\mathbf{f}_{ba}^t or $\mathbf{b}_a\mathbf{b}_1$	—	$\perp AB$	—
4.	\mathbf{f}_{bg} or $\mathbf{g}_1\mathbf{b}_1$	—	\parallel to slider motion	—
5.	\mathbf{f}_{dc}^c or $\mathbf{c}_1\mathbf{c}_d$	$\frac{(\mathbf{cd})^2}{CD} = \frac{(4.58)^2}{0.55} = 38.1$	$\parallel CD$	$\rightarrow C$
6.	\mathbf{f}_{dc}^t or $\mathbf{c}_d\mathbf{d}_1$	—	$\perp CD$	—
7.	\mathbf{f}'_{dg} or $\mathbf{g}'_1\mathbf{d}_1$	—	\parallel to slider motion	—
8.	\mathbf{f}_{fe}^c or $\mathbf{e}_1\mathbf{e}_f$	$\frac{(\mathbf{ef})^2}{EF} = \frac{(3.49)^2}{0.85} = 14.3$	$\parallel EF$	$\rightarrow A$
9.	\mathbf{f}_{fe}^t or $\mathbf{e}_f\mathbf{f}_1$	—	$\perp EF$	—
10.	\mathbf{f}''_{fg} or $\mathbf{g}''_1\mathbf{f}_1$	—	\parallel to slider motion	—

The acceleration diagram is drawn as follows:

- (i) From the pole point \mathbf{o}_1 take the first vector $\mathbf{o}_1\mathbf{a}_1$ [Fig. 3.8(c)].
- (ii) Add the second vector by placing its tail at \mathbf{b}_1 .
- (iii) For the third vector \mathbf{f}_{ba}^t , draw a line $\perp AB$ through \mathbf{b}_1 and for the fourth vector a horizontal line through \mathbf{g} , the intersection of the two lines locates point \mathbf{b}_1 .
- (iv) Locate point \mathbf{c}_1 on the vector $\mathbf{a}_1\mathbf{b}_1$.
- (v) Add the vector for centripetal acceleration \mathbf{f}_{dc}^c of link CD and for its tangential component, draw a perpendicular line to it.
- (vi) For vector 7, draw a vertical line through \mathbf{g}' , the intersection of this line to the previous line locates point \mathbf{d}_1 .
- (vii) Join $\mathbf{c}_1\mathbf{d}_1$ and locate point \mathbf{e}_1 on its extension.
- (viii) Take vector 8 and draw line $\mathbf{e}_1\mathbf{e}_f$ parallel to EF and draw a line for the tangential component.
- (ix) For vector 10, take a horizontal line through \mathbf{g}'' and the intersection of this with the previous line locates point \mathbf{f}_1 .

This completes the acceleration diagram.

$$\text{Acceleration of slider } B = \mathbf{g}_1\mathbf{b}_1 = 36 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\text{Acceleration of slider } D = \mathbf{g}'_1\mathbf{d}_1 = 74 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\text{Acceleration of slider } F = \mathbf{g}''_1\mathbf{f}_1 = 16 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Example 3.5 In the toggle mechanism shown in Fig. 3.9, the crank OA rotates at 210 rpm counter-clockwise increasing at the rate of 60 rad/s^2 . For the given configuration, determine

- (a) velocity of slider D and the angular velocity of link BD .
- (b) acceleration of slider D and the angular acceleration of link BD .

Solution

$$v_a = \frac{2\pi \times 210}{60} \times 0.2 = 4.4 \text{ m/s}$$

Complete the velocity diagram as follows:

- Take vector \mathbf{oa} representing \mathbf{v}_a .
- Draw lines $\mathbf{ab} \perp AB$ through \mathbf{a} and $\mathbf{qb} \perp QB$ through \mathbf{q} , the intersection locates point \mathbf{b} .

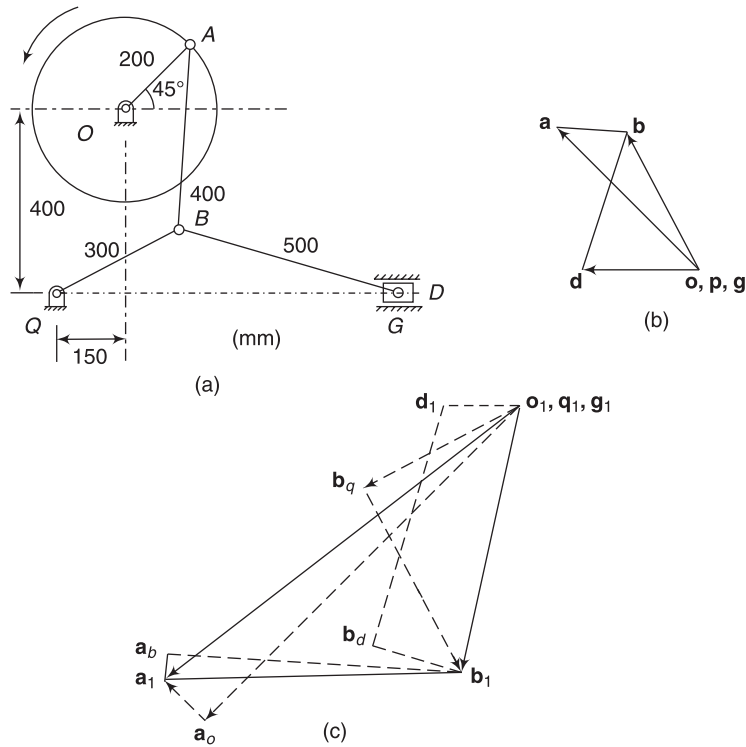


Fig. 3.9

- Draw line **bd** \perp **BD** through **b** and a horizontal line through **q** or **g** to represent the line of motion of the slider **D**. The intersection of the two lines locates point **d**.

Velocity of slider **D** = **gd** = 2.54 m/s

Angular velocity of **BD** = **bd**/**BD** = 3.16/ 0.5 = 6.32 rad/s.

For the acceleration diagram set the following vector table (Table 3.8):

Table 3.8

S.N.	Vector	Magnitude (m/s^2)	Direction	Sense
1.	f_{ao}^c or o_1a_0	$\frac{(oa)^2}{OA} = \frac{(4.4)^2}{0.2} = 96.8$	$\parallel OA$	$\rightarrow O$
2.	f_{ao}^t or a_0a_1	$\alpha \times OA = 60 \times 0.2 = 12$	$\perp OA$	—
3.	f_{bq}^c or q_1b_q	$\frac{(bq)^2}{BQ} = \frac{(3.39)^2}{0.3} = 38.3$	$\parallel BQ$	$\rightarrow Q$
4.	f_{bq}^t or b_qb_1	—	$\perp BQ$	—
5.	f_{ba}^c or a_1a_b	$\frac{(ab)^2}{AB} = \frac{(1.54)^2}{0.4} = 5.93$	$\parallel AB$	$\rightarrow A$

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6.	\mathbf{f}_{ba}^t or $\mathbf{a}_b\mathbf{b}_1$	—	$\perp AB$	—
7.	\mathbf{f}_{db}^c or $\mathbf{b}_1\mathbf{b}_d$	$\frac{(bd)^2}{BD} = \frac{(3.16)^2}{0.5} = 20$	$\parallel BD$	$\rightarrow B$
8.	\mathbf{f}_{db}^t or $\mathbf{b}_1\mathbf{d}_1$	—	$\perp BD$	—
9.	\mathbf{f}_{dg}^t or $\mathbf{g}_1\mathbf{d}_1$	—	\parallel to slider motion	—

Adopt the following steps:

- (i) Take the pole point \mathbf{o}_1 or \mathbf{c}_1 [Fig. 3.5(c)].
- (ii) Starting from \mathbf{o}_1 , take the first vector $\mathbf{o}_1\mathbf{a}_0$. To the first vector, add the second vector. Thus, the total acceleration $\mathbf{o}_1\mathbf{a}_1$ of A relative to O is obtained.
- (iii) Take the third vector and place its tail at \mathbf{q}_1 and through its head draw a perpendicular line to have the fourth vector.
- (iv) Take the fifth vector and place its tail at \mathbf{a}_1 . Through its head draw a perpendicular line to add the sixth vector.
- (v) The intersection of lines of the fourth and sixth vectors locates the point \mathbf{b}_1 .
- (vi) Take the seventh vector and put its tail at \mathbf{b}_1 . Through its head draw a perpendicular line to add the eighth vector.
- (vii) For the ninth vector, draw a line through \mathbf{g}_1 parallel to the slider motion.
- (viii) The intersection of lines of the eighth and ninth vectors locate the point \mathbf{d}_1 .
 Acceleration of slider $D = \mathbf{g}_1\mathbf{d}_1 = 16.4 \text{ m/s}^2$
 Angular velocity of $BD = \mathbf{b}_1\mathbf{d}_1/BD = 5.46/0.5 = 109.2 \text{ rad/s}^2$

Example 3.6 An Andrew variable-stroke engine mechanism is shown in Fig. 3.10(a). The crank OA rotates at 100 rpm. Find,
 (i) The linear acceleration of the slider at D .
 (ii) The angular acceleration of the links AC , BC and CD .

Solution

$$v_a = \frac{2\pi \times 100}{60} \times 0.09 = 0.94 \text{ m/s}$$

Complete the velocity diagram as shown in Fig. 3.10(b). The procedure is explained in Example 2.8.

Write the acceleration vector equation noting that the cranks OA and QB rotate at different uniform speeds.

For the linkage $OACBQ$,

$$\mathbf{f}_{ca} + \mathbf{f}_{ao} = \mathbf{f}_{cb} + \mathbf{f}_{bq} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{f}_{ao} + \mathbf{f}_{ca} = \mathbf{f}_{bq} + \mathbf{f}_{cb}$$

or
$$\mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{q}_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_1$$

Links AC and BC each has two components,

$$\mathbf{f}_{ao} + \mathbf{f}_{ca}^c + \mathbf{f}_{ca}^t = \mathbf{f}_{bq} + \mathbf{f}_{cb}^c + \mathbf{f}_{cb}^t$$

or
$$\mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_1 \mathbf{c}_a + \mathbf{c}_a \mathbf{c}_1 = \mathbf{q}_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_1 \mathbf{c}_b + \mathbf{c}_b \mathbf{c}_1$$

Set the following vector table (Table 3.9):

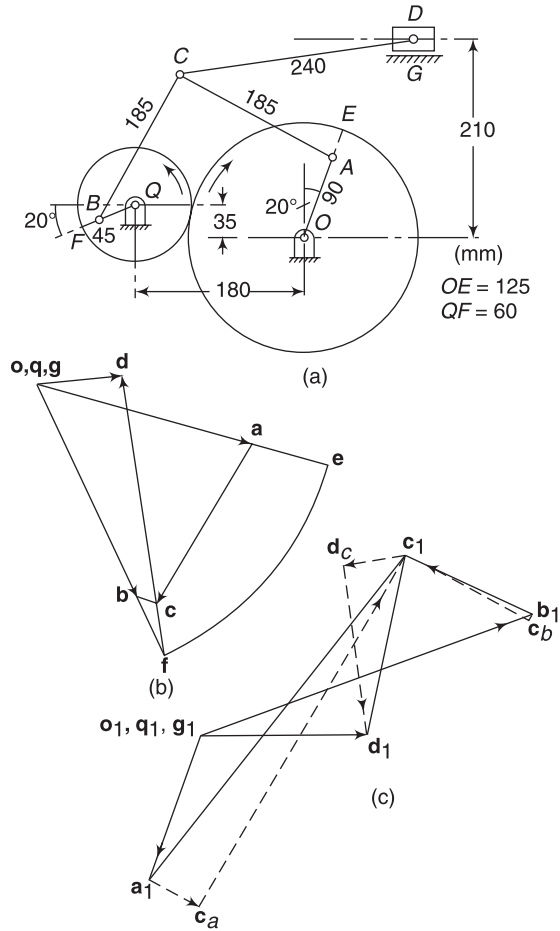


Fig. 3.10

Table 3.9

S.N.	Vector	Magnitude (m/s^2)	Direction	Sense
1.	f_{ao} or $o_1 a_1$	$\frac{(oa)^2}{OA} = \frac{(0.94)^2}{0.09} = 9.87$	$\parallel OA$	$\rightarrow O$
2.	f_{ca}^c or $a_1 c_a$	$\frac{(ac)^2}{AC} = \frac{(0.81)^2}{0.185} = 3.55$	$\parallel AC$	$\rightarrow A$
3.	f_{ca}^t or $c_a c_1$	—	$\perp AC$	—
4.	f_{bq} or $q_1 b_1$	$\frac{(qb)^2}{QB} = \frac{(1.0)^2}{0.045} = 22.2$	$\parallel QB$	$\rightarrow Q$
5.	f_{cb}^c or $b_1 c_1$	$\frac{(bc)^2}{BC} = \frac{(0.12)^2}{0.185} = 0.078$	$\parallel BC$	$\rightarrow B$
6.	f_{cb}^t or $c_b c_a$	—	$\perp BC$	—

Draw the acceleration diagram as follows.

- (a) From the pole point \mathbf{o}_1 , take the first vector and add the second vector to it as shown in Fig. 3.8(c).
 - (b) Through the head \mathbf{c}_a of the second vector, draw a line \perp to AC for the third vector.
 - (c) From \mathbf{q}_1 (or \mathbf{o}_1), take the fourth vector and add the fifth vector to it.
 - (d) Through the head \mathbf{c}_b , of the fifth vector, draw a line \perp to BC for the sixth vector.
- The intersection of the lines drawn in steps (b) and (d) locates the point \mathbf{c}_1 .

Now, $\mathbf{f}_{do} = \mathbf{f}_{dc} + \mathbf{f}_{co}$ or $\mathbf{f}_{dg} = \mathbf{f}_{co} + \mathbf{f}_{dc}$.

Since f_{dc} has two components,

$$\mathbf{f}_{dg} = \mathbf{f}_{co} + \mathbf{f}_{dc}^c + \mathbf{f}_{dc}^t$$

or $\mathbf{g}_1 \mathbf{d}_1 = \mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{d}_c + \mathbf{d}_c \mathbf{d}_1$

Set the following vector table (Table 3.10).

Table 3.10

S.N.	Vector	Magnitude	Direction	Sense
1.	\mathbf{f}_{co} or $\mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{c}_1$	Already drawn	—	—
2.	\mathbf{f}_{dc}^c or $\mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{d}_c$	$\frac{(\mathbf{cd})^2}{CD} = \frac{(1.0)^2}{0.24} = 4.17$	$\parallel CD$	$\rightarrow C$
3.	\mathbf{f}_{dc}^t or $\mathbf{d}_c \mathbf{d}_1$	—	$\perp CD$	—
4.	\mathbf{f}_{dg} or $\mathbf{g}_1 \mathbf{d}_1$	—	\parallel to motion of D	—

From \mathbf{c}_1 draw the second vector and draw a line \perp to CD through the head of the second vector. Draw a line parallel to the line of motion of the slider through \mathbf{g}_1 . Thus, point \mathbf{d}_1 is located.

(i) $f_d = \mathbf{o}_1 \mathbf{d}_1 = 10.65 \text{ m/s}^2$

(ii) $\alpha_{ac} = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{ca}^t \text{ or } \mathbf{c}_a \mathbf{c}_1}{AC} = \frac{26.4}{0.185} = 142.7 \text{ rad/s}^2 \text{ clockwise}$

$\alpha_{bc} = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{cb}^t \text{ or } \mathbf{c}_b \mathbf{c}_1}{BC} = \frac{8.85}{0.185} = 47.8 \text{ rad/s}^2 \text{ counter-clockwise}$

$\alpha_{cd} = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{dc}^t \text{ or } \mathbf{d}_c \mathbf{d}_1}{CD} = \frac{11.2}{0.24} = 46.7 \text{ rad/s}^2 \text{ clockwise}$