

Problem 1.1

Given l, ν

Sought \bar{a}

1 Position

$$\bar{r} = 2l \sin(2\nu t) \bar{e}_x - 5l\nu^2 t^2 \bar{e}_y \quad (1)$$

2 Velocity

$$\bar{v} = \frac{d\bar{r}}{dt} \stackrel{(1)}{=} 4l\nu \cos(2\nu t) \bar{e}_x - 10l\nu^2 t \bar{e}_y \quad (2)$$

3 Acceleration

$$\bar{a} = \frac{d\bar{v}}{dt} \stackrel{(2)}{=} -8l\nu^2 \sin(2\nu t) \bar{e}_x - 10l\nu^2 \bar{e}_y$$

Answer

$$\bar{a} = -8l\nu^2 \sin(2\nu t) \bar{e}_x - 10l\nu^2 \bar{e}_y$$

Python solution

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# Access module SymPy for symbolic calculation, including its submodule
# for vector calculation
from sympy import *
from sympy.vector import *

# Create coordinate system `N`, such that `N.i`, `N.j` and `N.k` denote
# the basis vectors in the x, y and z direction, respectively.
N = CoordSys3D('N')

# Declare constants and variables
nu, l = symbols('nu, l', positive = True)
t = symbols('t', real = True)

# Express position vector `r_`. Herein, the underscore symbol is used to
# to indicate vector-valued expressions.
r_ = 2*l*sin(2*nu*t)*N.i - 5*l*nu**2*t**2*N.j

# Calculate velocity and acceleration vectors through differentiation
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# with respect to time `t'.
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v_ = diff(r_, t)
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a_ = diff(v_, t)
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# Print the acceleration vector
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print(f'a_ = {a_}')
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a_ = (-8*1*nu**2*sin(2*nu*t))*N.i + (-10*1*nu**2)*N.j
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