

Phys 410/F16

Soln PS 11

9.26 From Sec 9.8,

$$\ddot{x} = 2\Omega \dot{y} \cos\theta - 2\Omega \dot{z} \sin\theta$$

$$\ddot{y} = -2\Omega \dot{x} \cos\theta$$

$$\ddot{z} = -g + 2\Omega \dot{x} \sin\theta$$

• we expect that Ω effects are "small."
• Solve by iteration, i.e., neglect all Ω 's @ lowest order, then re-introduce as successive refinement.

• lowest order $\ddot{z} = -g, \ddot{y} = 0, \ddot{x} = 0$.

(No Ω 's). But allow \vec{v}_0 and g .

$$\Rightarrow \text{use } \vec{r}(0) = 0, \dot{\vec{r}}(0) = \vec{v}_0$$

$$\Rightarrow z = v_{z0} t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

$$x = v_{x0} t$$

$$y = v_{y0} t$$

1st order Retain the 1st Ω terms

but neglect Ω^2 terms. For Ω terms, use the lowest order form above

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \ddot{z} &\approx -g + 2\Omega v_{x0} \sin\theta \\ \ddot{x} &\approx 2\Omega v_{y0} \cos\theta - 2\Omega \sin\theta (v_{z0} - gt) \\ \ddot{y} &\approx -2\Omega v_{x0} \cos\theta \end{aligned}$$

Now integrate again (iteration)

Note only 1st order Ω 's

$$\Rightarrow z = v_{z0}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 + \Omega v_{x0} \sin\theta t^2$$

$$x = v_{x0}t + 2\Omega v_{y0} \cos\theta \frac{t^2}{2}$$

$$- 2\Omega \sin\theta v_{z0} \frac{t^2}{2} + \Omega \sin\theta g \frac{t^3}{3}$$

$$y = v_{y0}t - 2\Omega v_{x0} \cos\theta \frac{t^2}{2}$$

$$z = v_{z0}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 + \Omega v_{x0} \sin\theta t^2$$

$$x = v_{x0}t + \Omega t^2 (v_{y0} \cos\theta - v_{z0} \sin\theta) + g \Omega \sin\theta t^3 / 3$$

$$y = v_{y0}t - \Omega v_{x0} \cos\theta t^2$$

Correct to 1st order in Ω

Suppose $\vec{v}(0) = 0$ (i.e. free fall)

$$\Rightarrow y = 0, \quad x = g \Omega \sin\theta t^3 / 3$$

$$z = -\frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

agrees with text.