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*Elements of
Mechanical Design*

Lecture 12:

Belt, friction, gear drives

Schedule and reading assignment

Quiz

- ❑ Bolted joint qualifying Thursday March 19th

Topics

- ❑ Belts
- ❑ Friction drives
- ❑ Gear kinematics

Reading assignment

- *Read:*
14.1 – 14.7
- *Skim:*
Rest of Ch. 14

Topic 1:

Belt Drives

Belt Drives

Why Belts?

- ❑ Torque/speed conversion
- ❑ Cheap, easy to design
- ❑ Easy maintenance
- ❑ Elasticity can provide damping, shock absorption



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Keep in mind

- ❑ Speeds generally 2500-6500 ft/min
- ❑ Performance decreases with age

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Please see:

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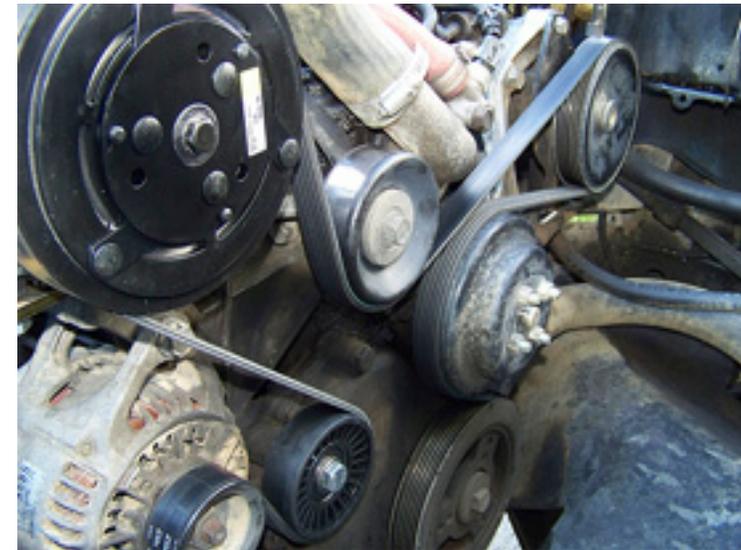
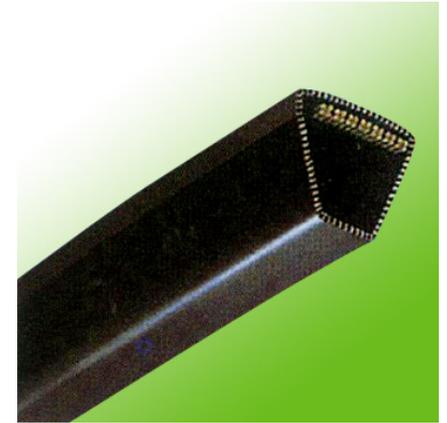


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Belt Construction and Profiles

Many flavors

- ❑ Flat is cheapest, natural clutch
- ❑ Vee allows higher torques
- ❑ Synchronous for timing

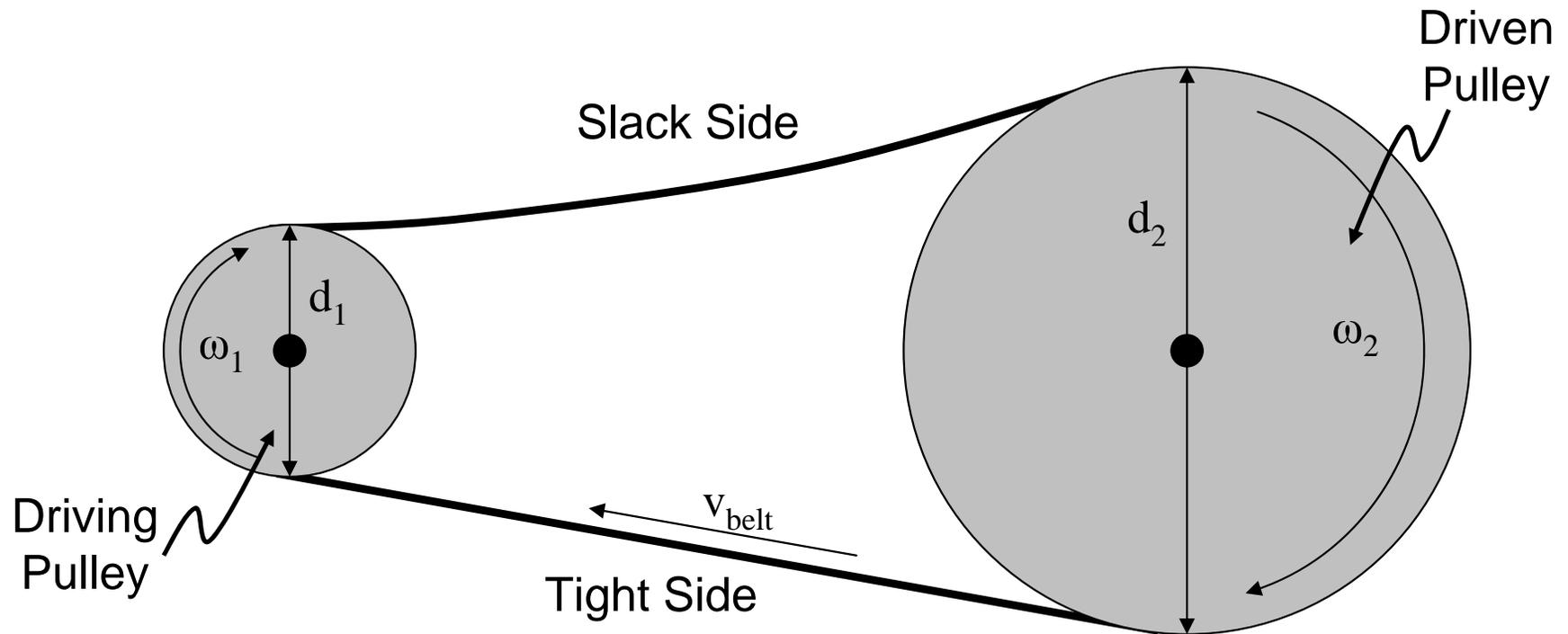


Usually composite structure

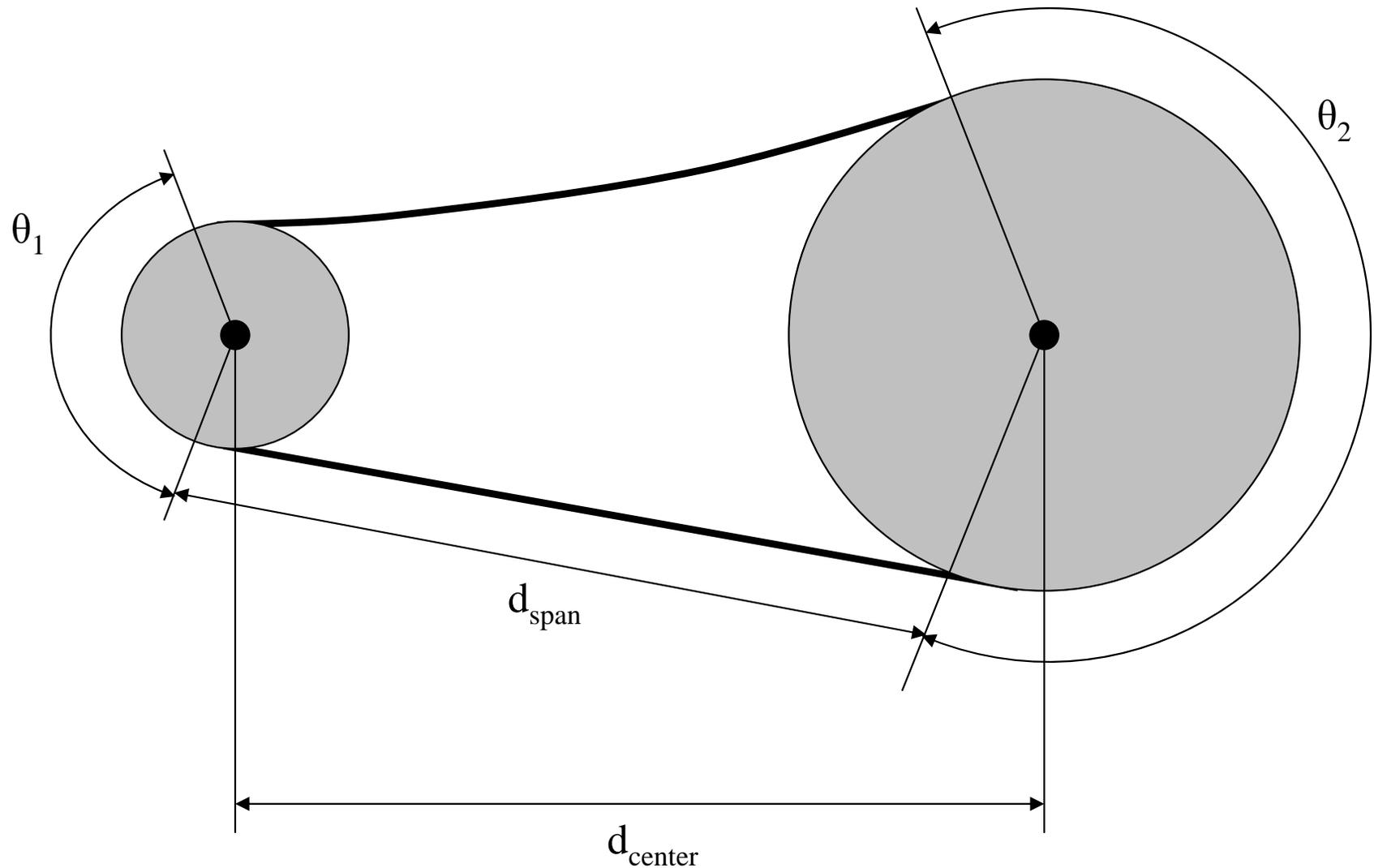
- ❑ Rubber/synthetic surface for friction
- ❑ Steel cords for tensile strength



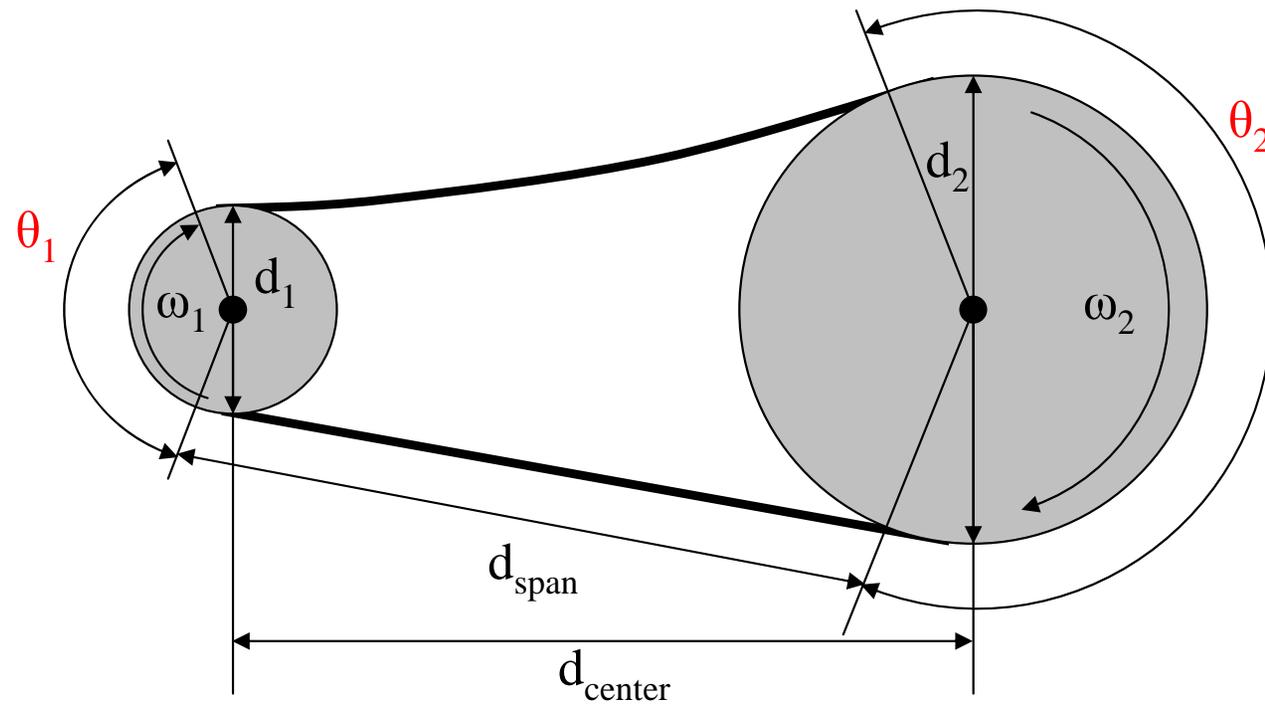
Belt Drive Geometry



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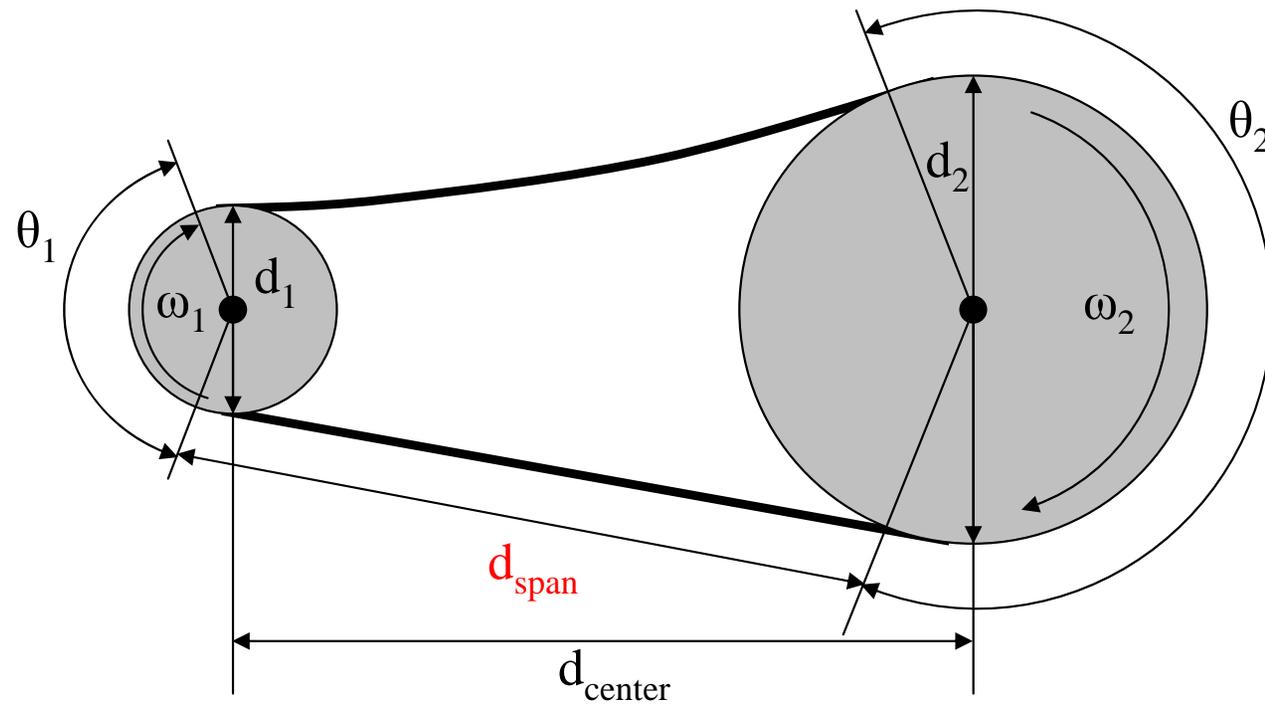
Contact Angle Geometry



$$\theta_1 = \pi - 2 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{d_2 - d_1}{2d_{center}} \right)$$

$$\theta_2 = \pi + 2 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{d_2 - d_1}{2d_{center}} \right)$$

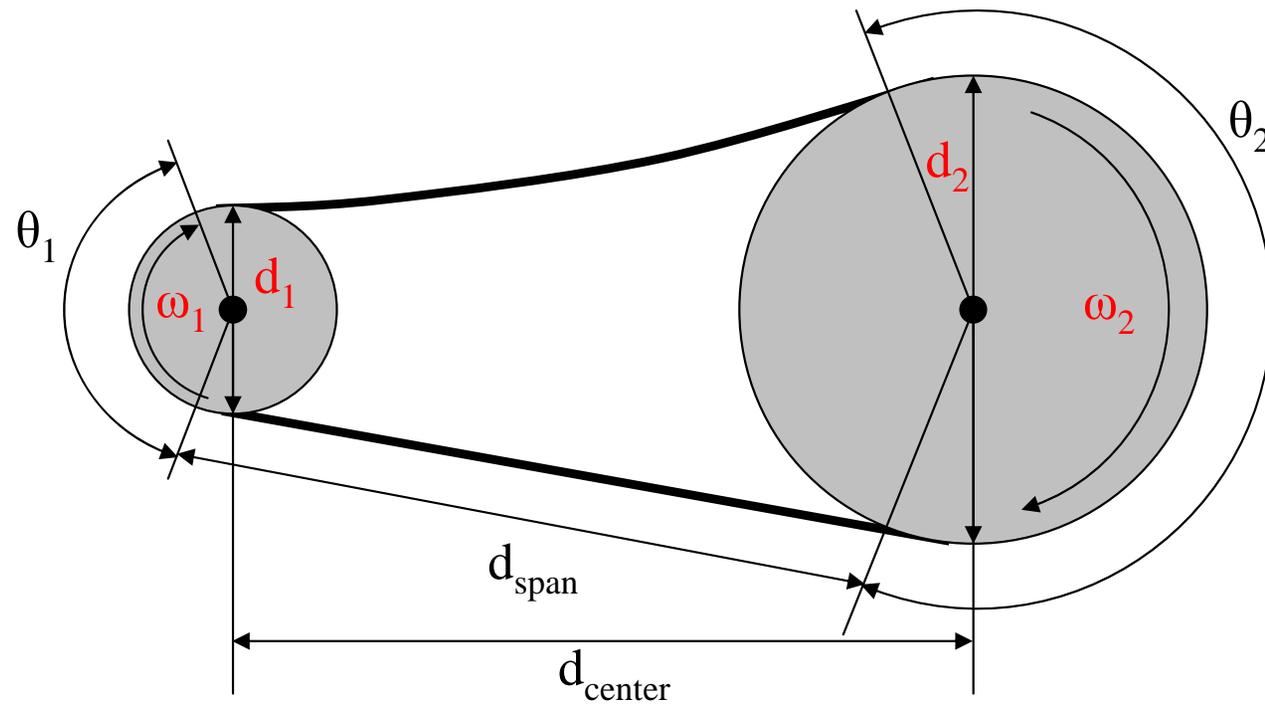
Belt Geometry



$$d_{span} = \sqrt{d_{center}^2 - \left(\frac{d_2 - d_1}{2}\right)^2}$$

$$L_{belt} = \sqrt{4d_{center}^2 - (d_2 - d_1)^2} + \frac{1}{2}(d_1\theta_1 + d_2\theta_2)$$

Drive Kinematics



$$v_b = \frac{d_1}{2} \omega_1 = \frac{d_2}{2} \omega_2$$

$$\frac{d_1}{d_2} = \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}$$

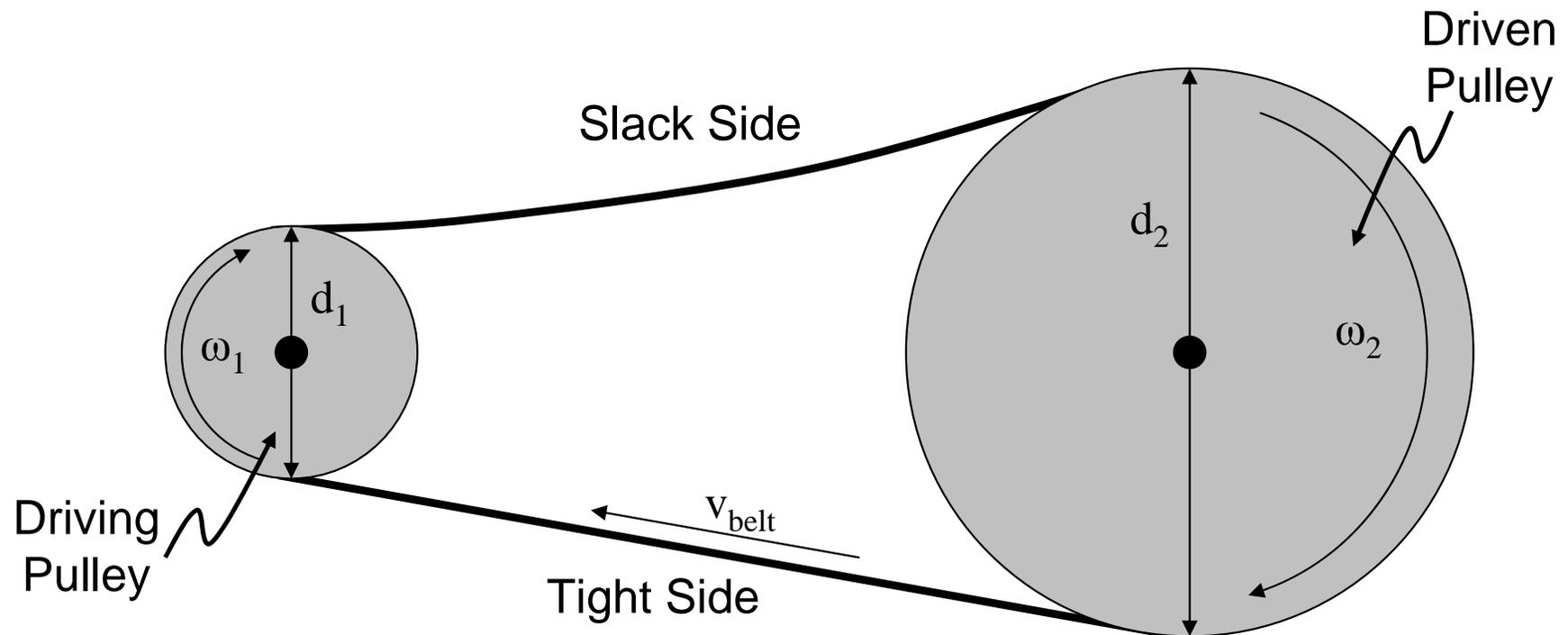
Elastomechanics

Elastomechanics → torque transmission

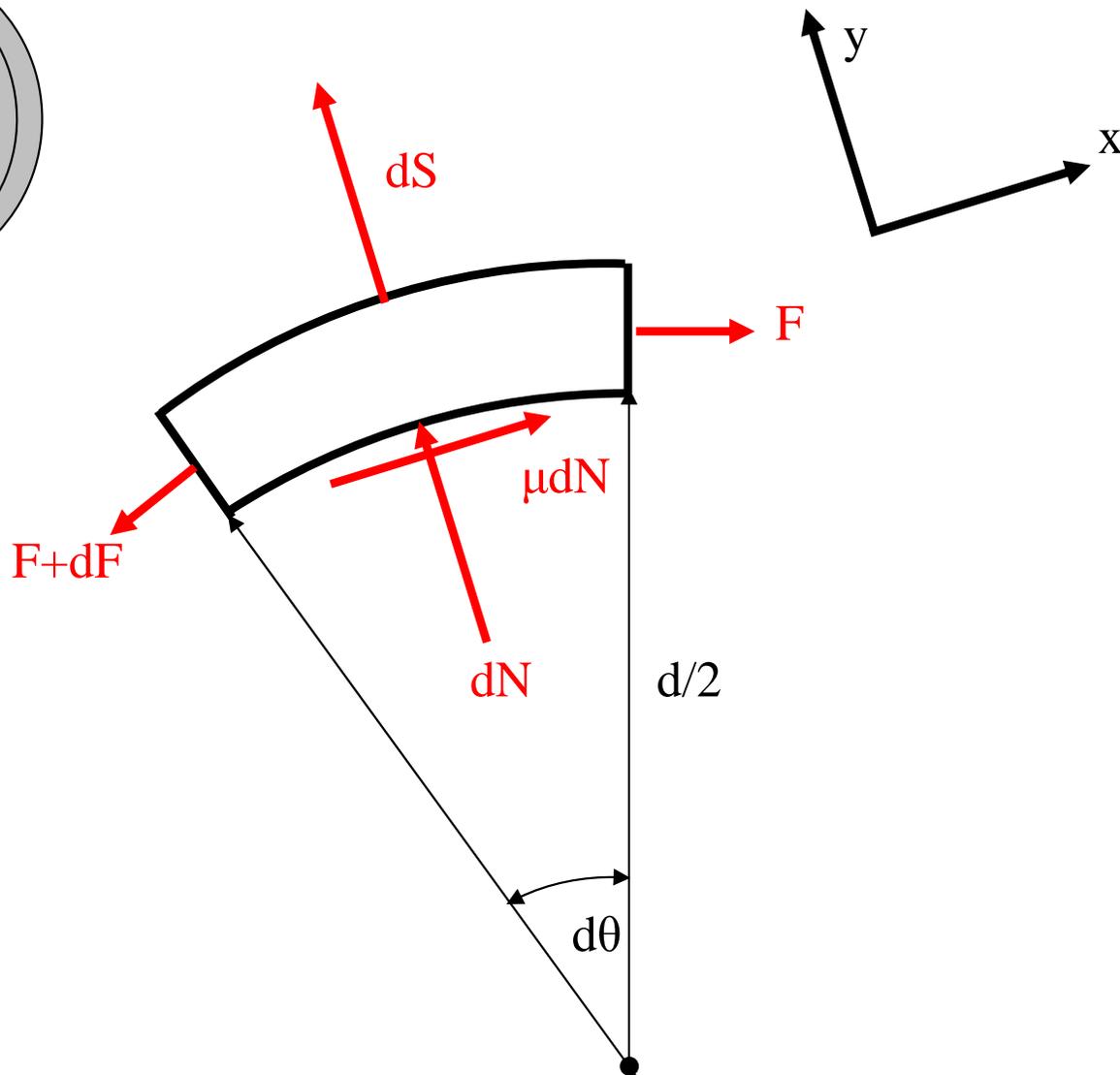
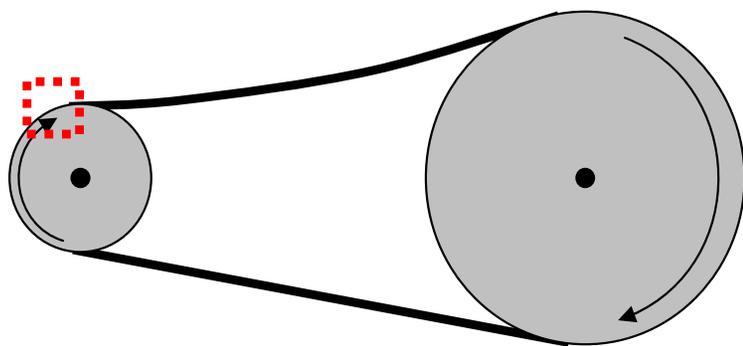
- Kinematics → speed transmission

Link belt preload to torque transmission

- Proceeding analysis is for flat/round belt

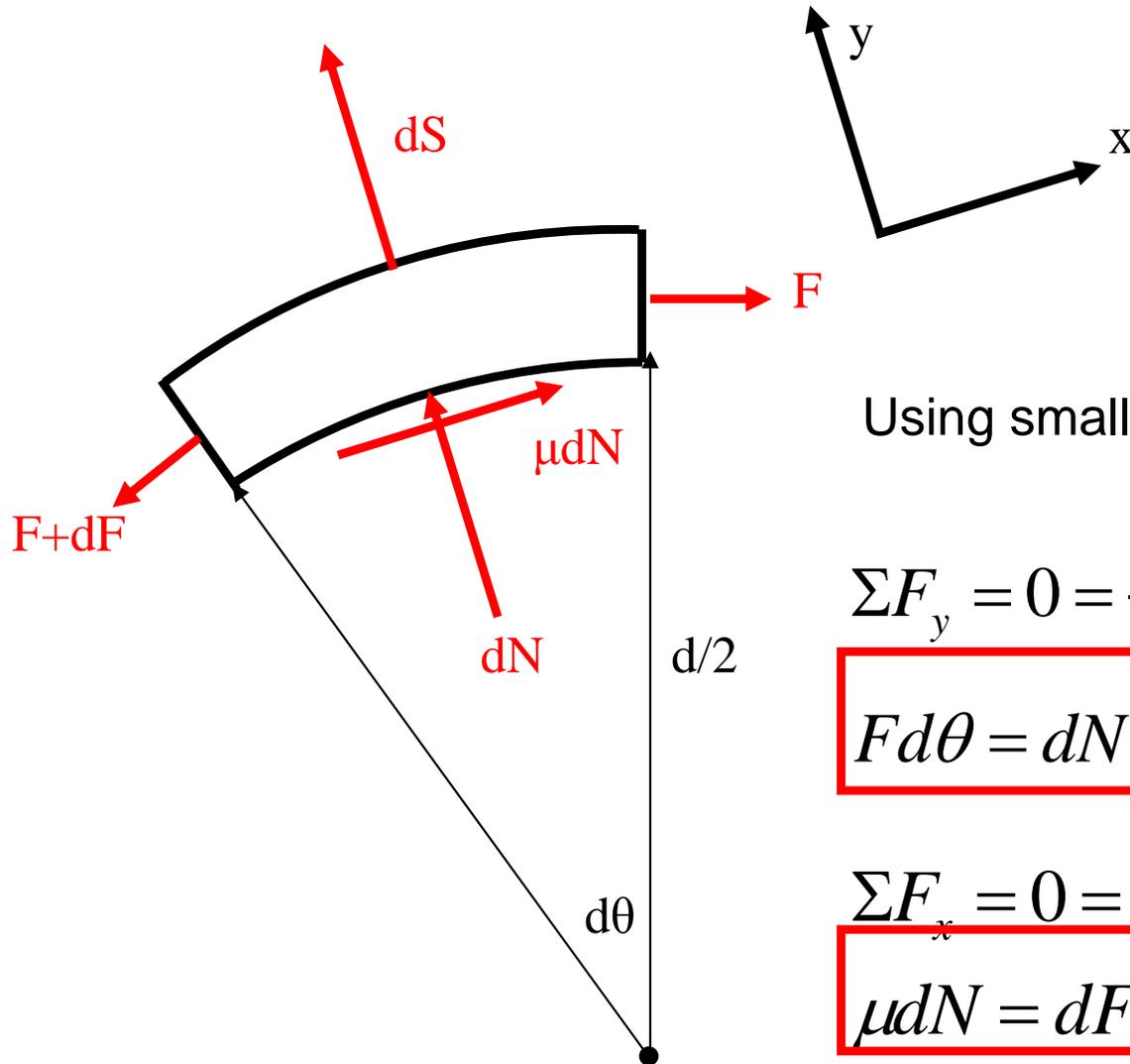


Free Body Diagram



- Tensile force (F)
- Normal force (N)
- Friction force (μN)
- Centrifugal force (S)

Force Balance



Using small angle approx:

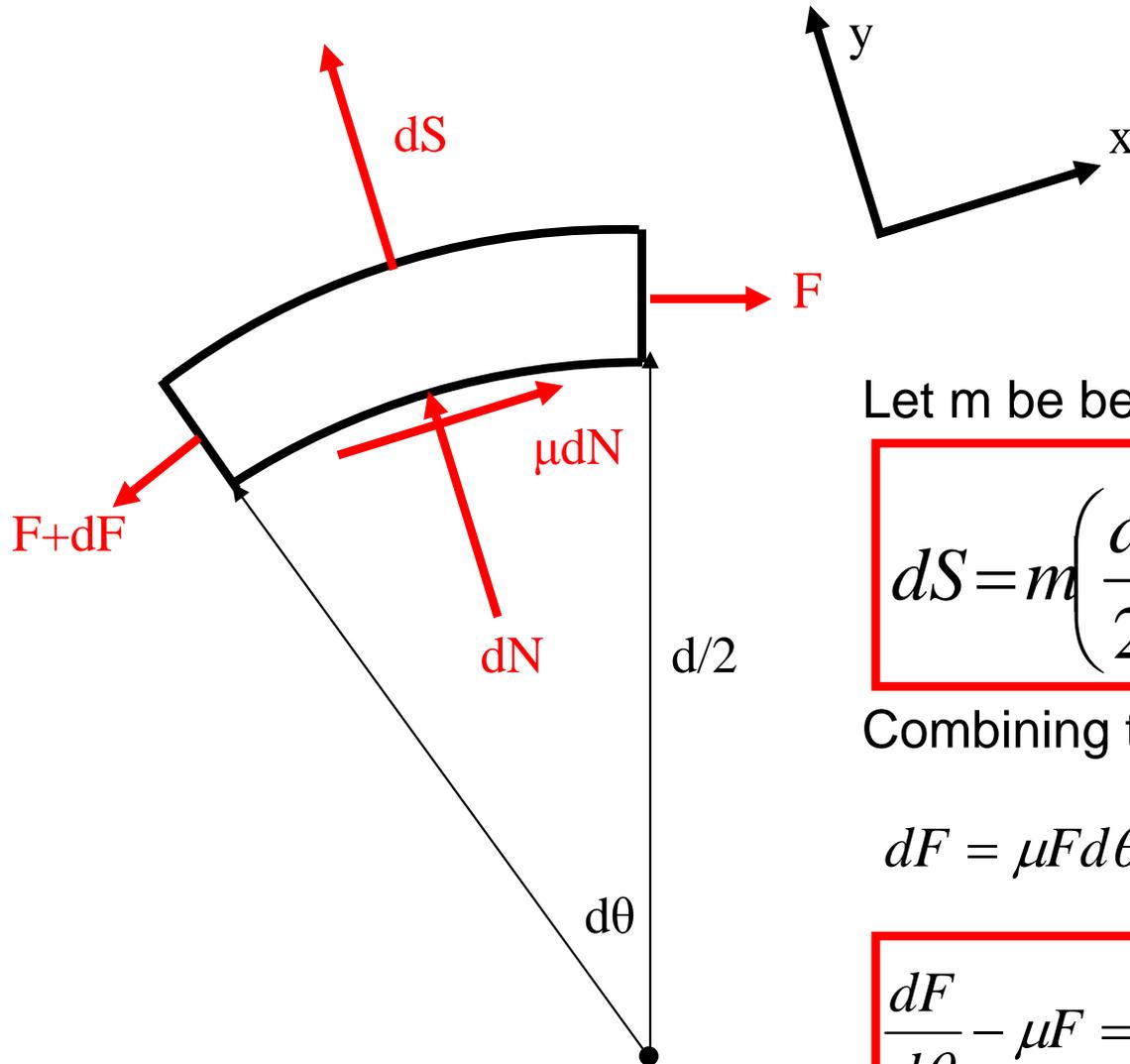
$$\Sigma F_y = 0 = -(F + dF) \frac{d\theta}{2} - F \frac{d\theta}{2} + dN + dS$$

$$Fd\theta = dN + dS$$

$$\Sigma F_x = 0 = -\mu dN - F + (F + dF)$$

$$\mu dN = dF$$

Obtaining Differential Eq



Let m be belt mass/unit length

$$dS = m \left(\frac{d}{2} \right)^2 \omega^2 d\theta$$

Combining these red eqns:

$$dF = \mu F d\theta - \mu m \left(\frac{d}{2} \right)^2 \omega^2 d\theta$$

$$\frac{dF}{d\theta} - \mu F = -\mu m \left(\frac{d}{2} \right)^2 \omega^2$$

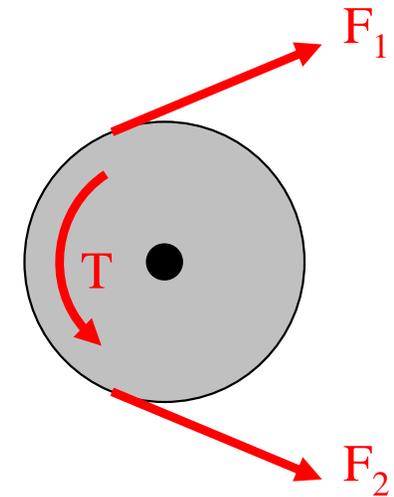
Belt Tension to Torque

Let the difference in tension between the loose side (F_2) and the tight side (F_1) be related to torque (T)

$$F_1 - F_2 = \frac{T}{d/2}$$

Solve the previous integral over contact angle and apply F_1 and F_2 as b.c.'s and then do a page of algebra:

$$F_{tension} = \frac{T e^{\mu\theta_{contact}} + 1}{d e^{\mu\theta_{contact}} - 1}$$



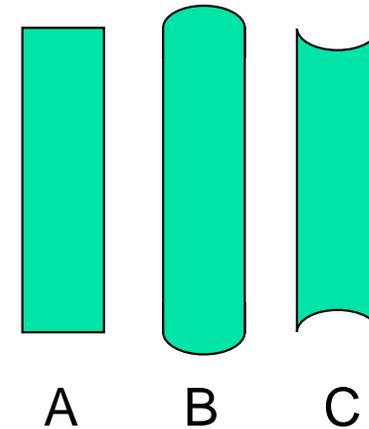
$$F_1 = m \left(\frac{d}{2} \right)^2 \omega^2 + F_{tension} \frac{2e^{\mu\theta_{contact}}}{e^{\mu\theta_{contact}} + 1}$$
$$F_2 = m \left(\frac{d}{2} \right)^2 \omega^2 + F_{tension} \frac{2}{e^{\mu\theta_{contact}} + 1}$$

Used to find stresses
in belt!!!

Practical Design Issues

Pulley/Sheave profile

- ❑ Which is right?



Manufacturer → lifetime eqs

- ❑ Belt Creep (loss of load capacity)
- ❑ Lifetime in cycles

Idler Pulley Design

- ❑ Catenary eqs → deflection to tension
- ❑ Large systems need more than 1



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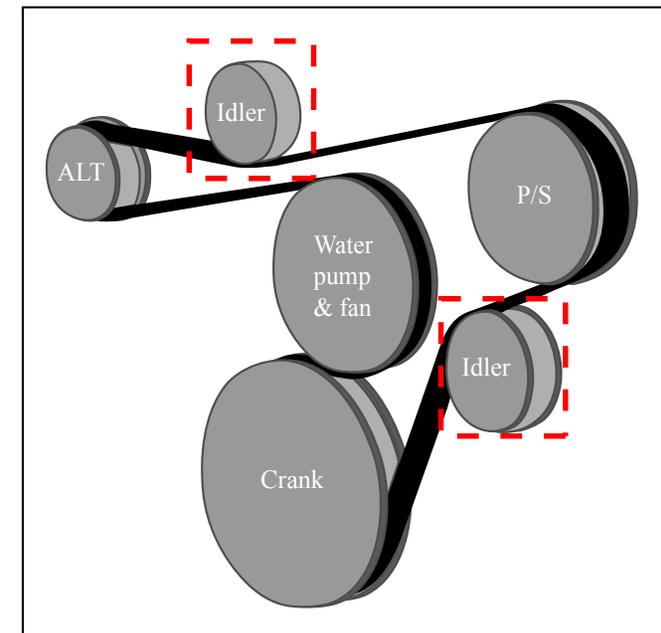


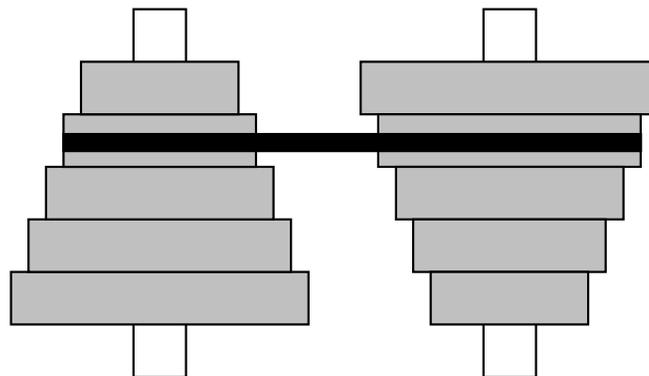
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Practice problem

Delta 15-231 Drill Press

- ❑ 1725 RPM Motor (3/4 hp)
- ❑ 450 to 4700 RPM operation
- ❑ Assume 0.3 m shaft separation
- ❑ **What is max torque at drill bit?**
- ❑ **What size belt?**
- ❑ **Roughly what tension?**

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Topic 2:
Friction Drives

Friction Drives

Why Friction Drives?

- ❑ Linear ↔ Rotary Motion
- ❑ Low backlash/deadband
- ❑ Can be nm-resolution

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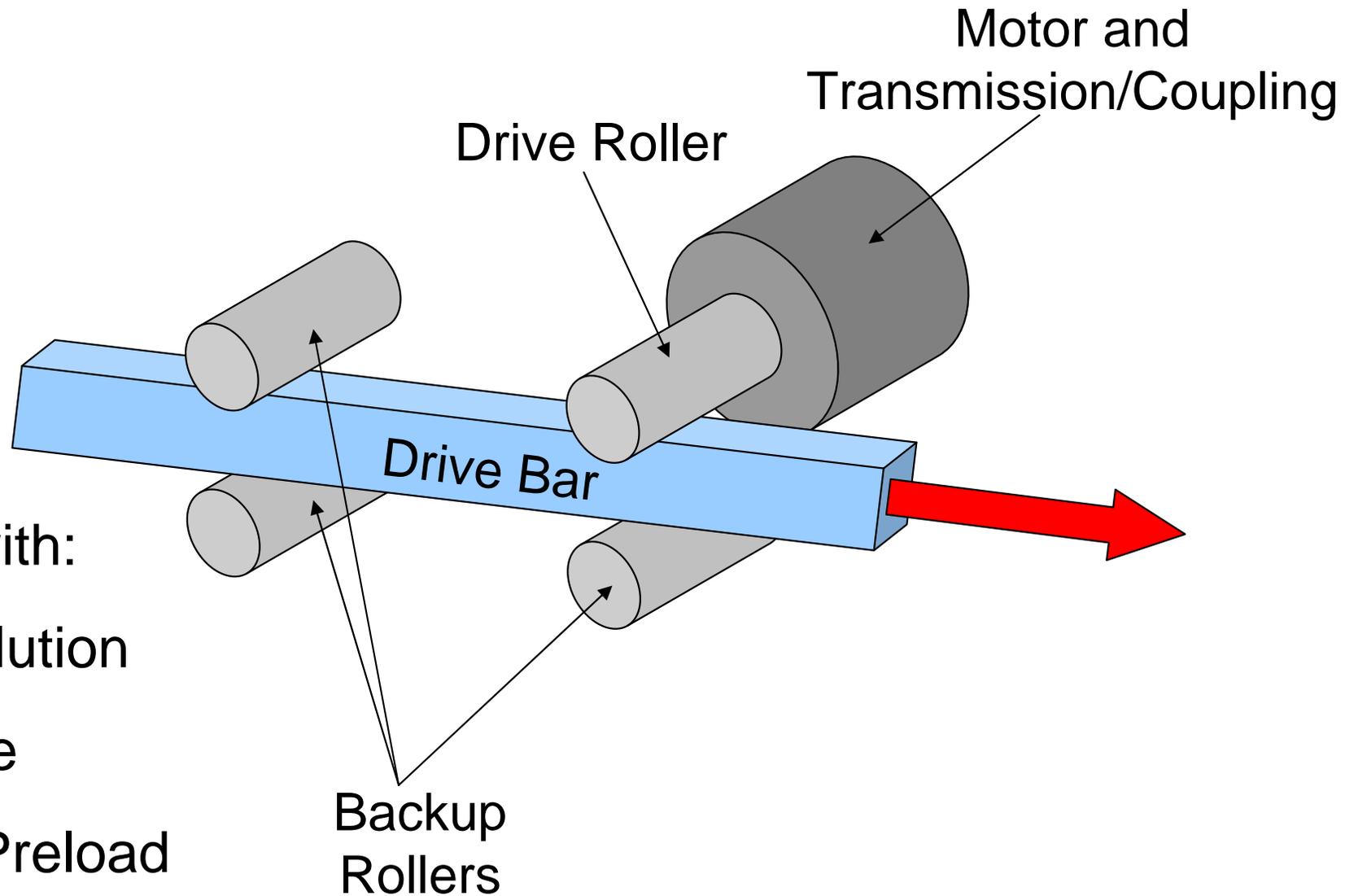
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Keep in mind

- ❑ Preload → bearing selection
- ❑ Low stiffness and damping
- ❑ Needs to be clean
- ❑ Low drive force

Friction Drive Anatomy



Concerned with:

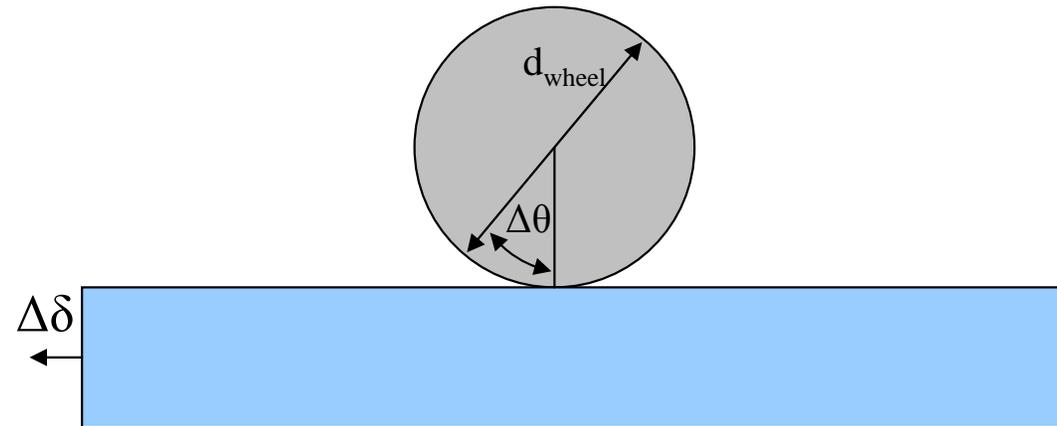
- Linear Resolution
- Output Force
- Max Roller Preload
- Axial Stiffness

Drive Kinematics/Force Output

Kinematics found from no slip cylinder on flat

$$\Delta\delta_{bar} = \Delta\theta \cdot \frac{d_{wheel}}{2}$$

$$v_{bar} = \omega_{wheel} \frac{d_{wheel}}{2}$$



Force output found from static analysis

- Either motor or friction limited

$$F_{output} = \frac{2T_{wheel}}{d_{wheel}} \quad \text{where } F_{output} \leq \mu F_{preload}$$

Maximum Preload

$$E_e = \left(\frac{1 - \nu_{wheel}^2}{E_{wheel}} + \frac{1 - \nu_{bar}^2}{E_{bar}} \right)^{-1}$$

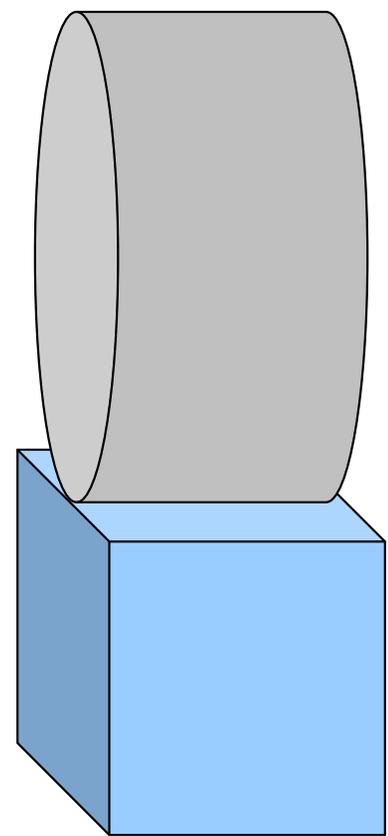
$$R_e = \left(\frac{1}{d_{wheel}/2} + \frac{1}{r_{crown}} \right)^{-1}$$

Variable Definitions

$$a_{contact} = \left(\frac{3F_{preload} R_e}{2E_e} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

For metals:

$$\tau_{max} = \frac{3\sigma_y}{2}$$



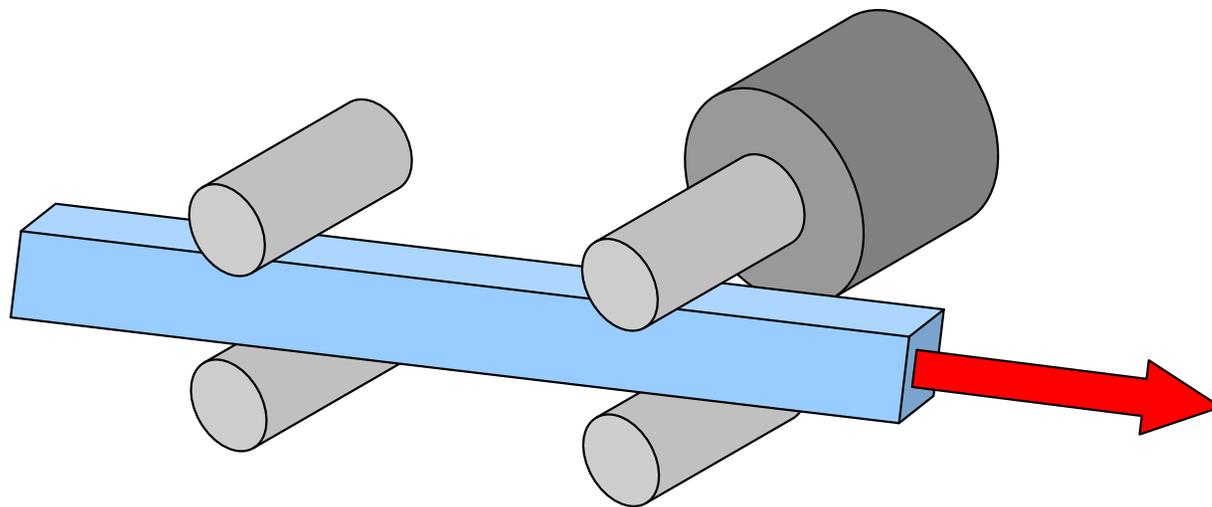
Shear Stress Equation

$$\tau_{wheel} = \frac{a_{contact} E_e}{2\pi R_e} \left(\frac{1 + 2\nu_{wheel}}{2} + \frac{2}{9} \cdot (1 + \nu_{wheel}) \cdot \sqrt{2(1 + \nu_{wheel})} \right)$$

$$F_{preload, max} = \frac{16\pi^3 \tau_{max}^3 R_e^2}{3E_e^2 \left(\frac{1 + 2\nu_{wheel}}{2} + \frac{2}{9} \cdot (1 + \nu_{wheel}) \cdot \sqrt{2(1 + \nu_{wheel})} \right)^3}$$

Axial Stiffness

$$k_{axial} = \left(\frac{1}{k_{shaft}} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_{torsion}}{d_{wheel}^2}} + \frac{1}{k_{tangential}} + \frac{1}{k_{bar}} \right)^{-1}$$



$$k_{tangential} = \frac{4a_e E_e}{(2-\nu)(1+\nu)}$$

$$k_{shaft} = \frac{3\pi E d_{shaft}^4}{4L^3}$$

$$k_{torsion} = \frac{\pi G d_{wheel}^4}{32L}$$

$$k_{bar} = \frac{EA_{c, bar}}{L}$$

Friction Drives

Proper Design leads to

- ❑ Pure radial bearing loads
- ❑ Axial drive bar motion only

Drive performance linked to motor/transmission

- ❑ Torque ripple
- ❑ Angular resolution

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Topic 3:
Gear Kinematics

Gear Drives

Why Gears?

- ❑ Torque/speed conversion
- ❑ Can transfer large torques
- ❑ Can run at low speeds
- ❑ Large reductions in small package

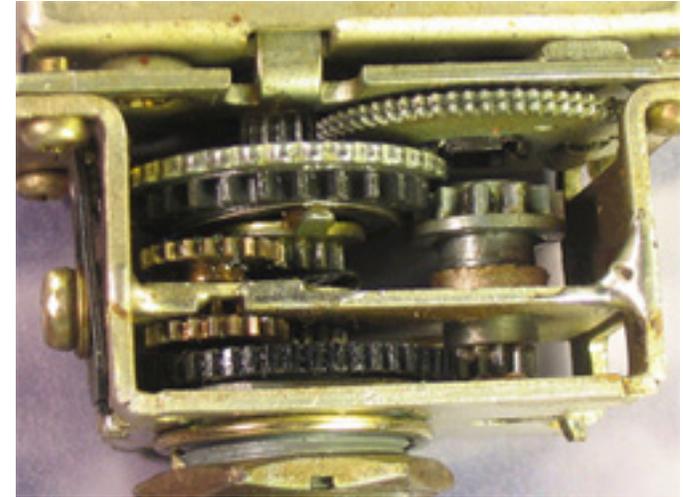


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Keep in mind

- ❑ Requires careful design
- ❑ Attention to tooth loads, profile



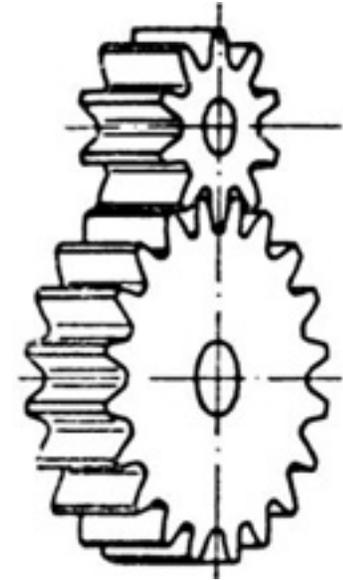
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Gear Types and Purposes

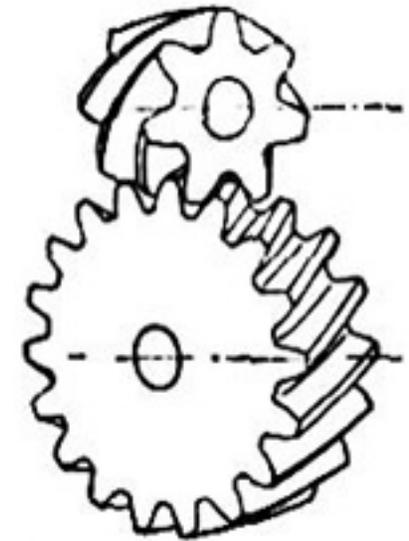
Spur Gears

- ❑ Parallel shafts
- ❑ Simple shape → easy design, low \$\$\$
- ❑ Tooth shape errors → noise
- ❑ No thrust loads from tooth engagement



Helical Gears

- ❑ Gradual tooth engagement → low noise
- ❑ Shafts may or may not be parallel
- ❑ Thrust loads from teeth reaction forces
- ❑ Tooth-tooth contact pushes gears apart



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Gear Types and Purposes

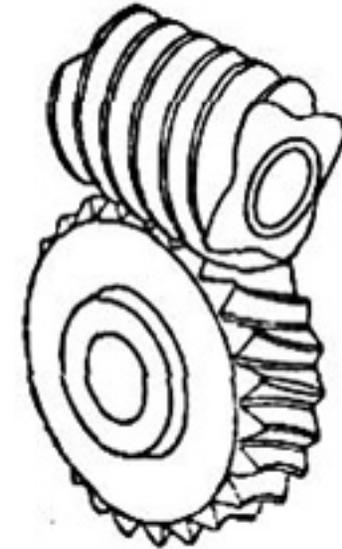
Bevel Gears

- ❑ Connect two intersecting shafts
- ❑ Straight or helical teeth



Worm Gears

- ❑ Low transmission ratios
- ❑ Pinion is typically input (Why?)
- ❑ Teeth sliding → high friction losses



Rack and Pinion

- ❑ Rotary ↔ Linear motion
- ❑ Helical or straight rack teeth

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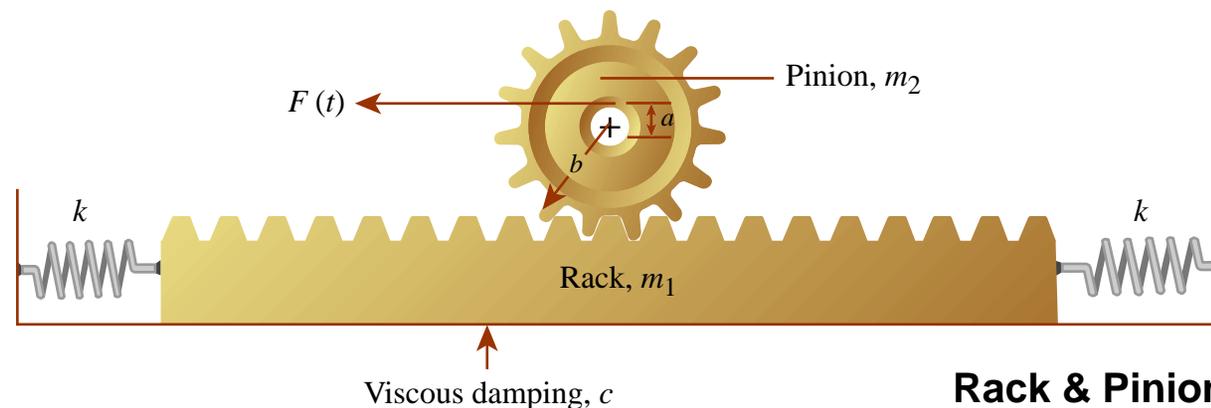
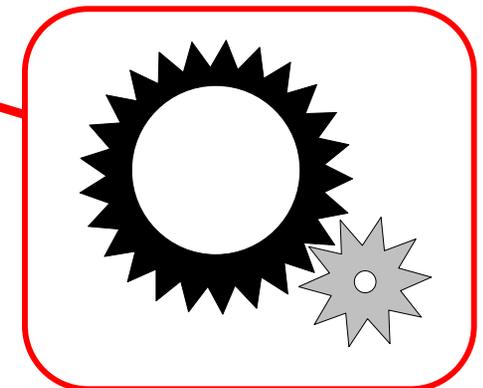
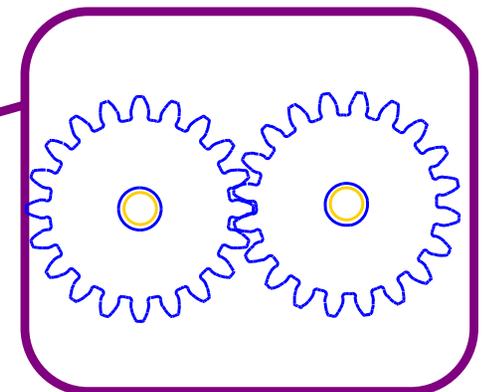
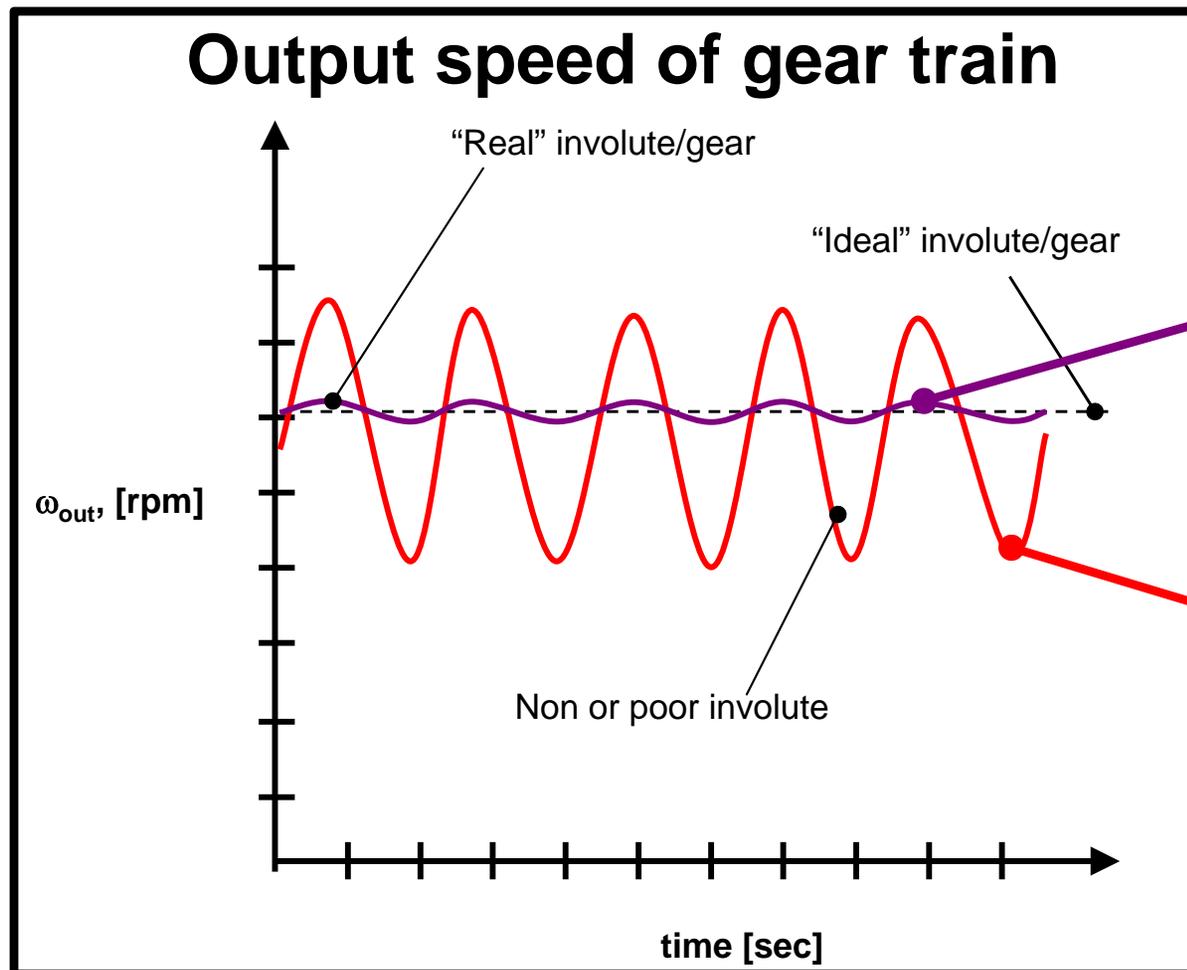


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Tooth Profile Impacts Kinematics

Want constant speed output

- ❑ Conjugate action = constant angular velocity ratio
- ❑ Key to conjugate action is to use an involute tooth profile



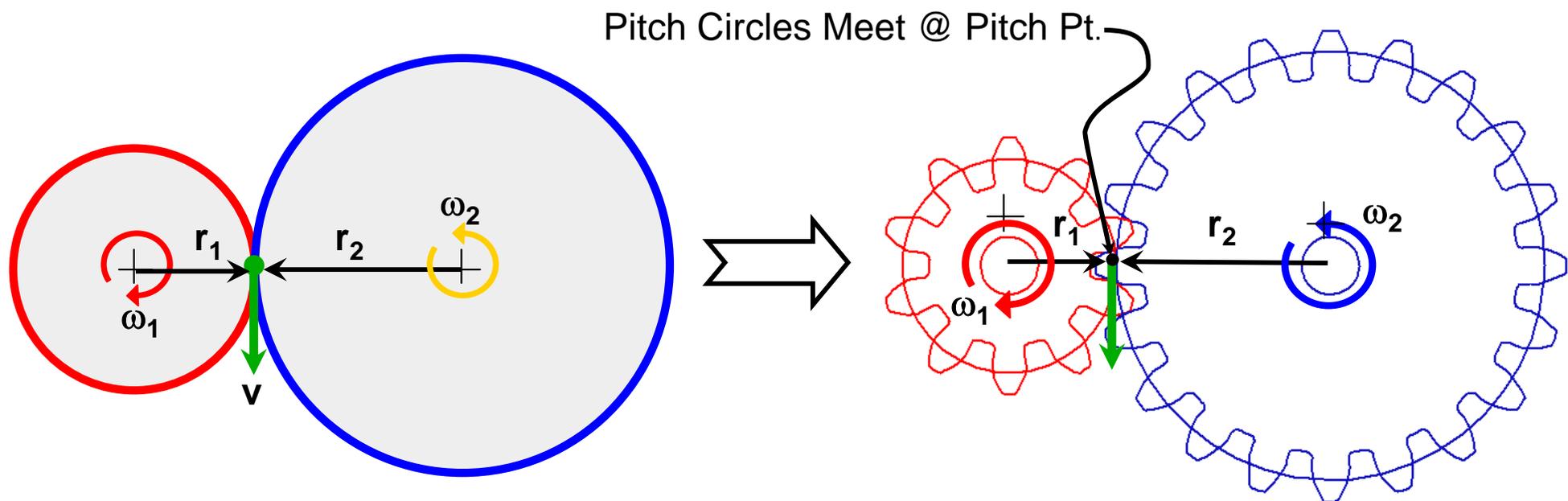
Instantaneous Velocity and Pitch

Model as rolling cylinders (no slip condition):

$$\vec{v} = \vec{\omega}_1 \times \vec{r}_1 = \vec{\omega}_2 \times \vec{r}_2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \boxed{\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2} = \frac{r_2}{r_1}}$$

Model gears as two pitch circles

- Contact at pitch point



Instantaneous Velocity and Pitch

Meshing gears must have same pitch

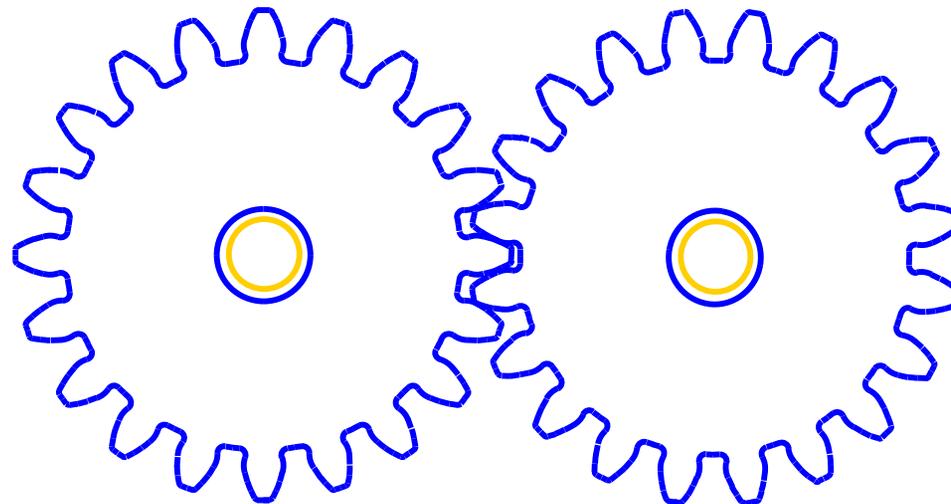
- N_g = # of teeth, D_p = Pitch circle diameter

Diametral pitch, P_D :

$$P_D = \frac{N_g}{D_p}$$

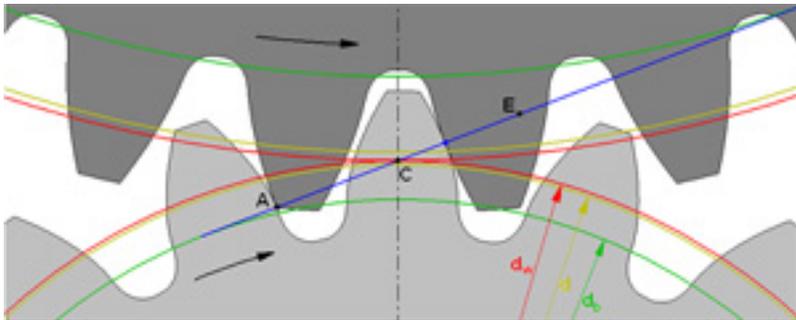
Circular pitch, P_C :

$$P_C = \frac{\pi D_p}{N_g} = \frac{\pi}{P_D}$$



Drawing the Involute Profile

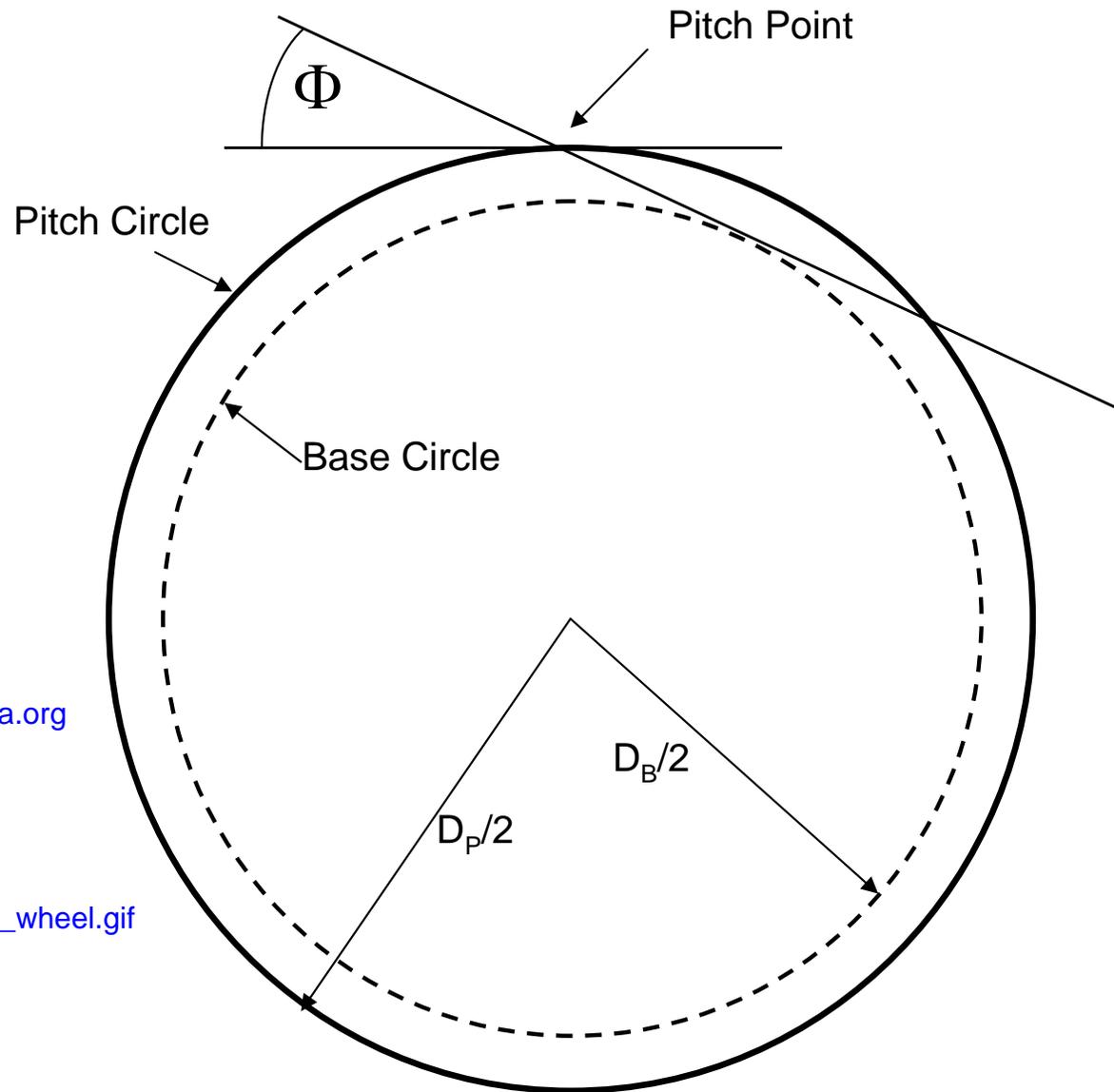
- Gear is specified by diametral pitch and pressure angle, Φ



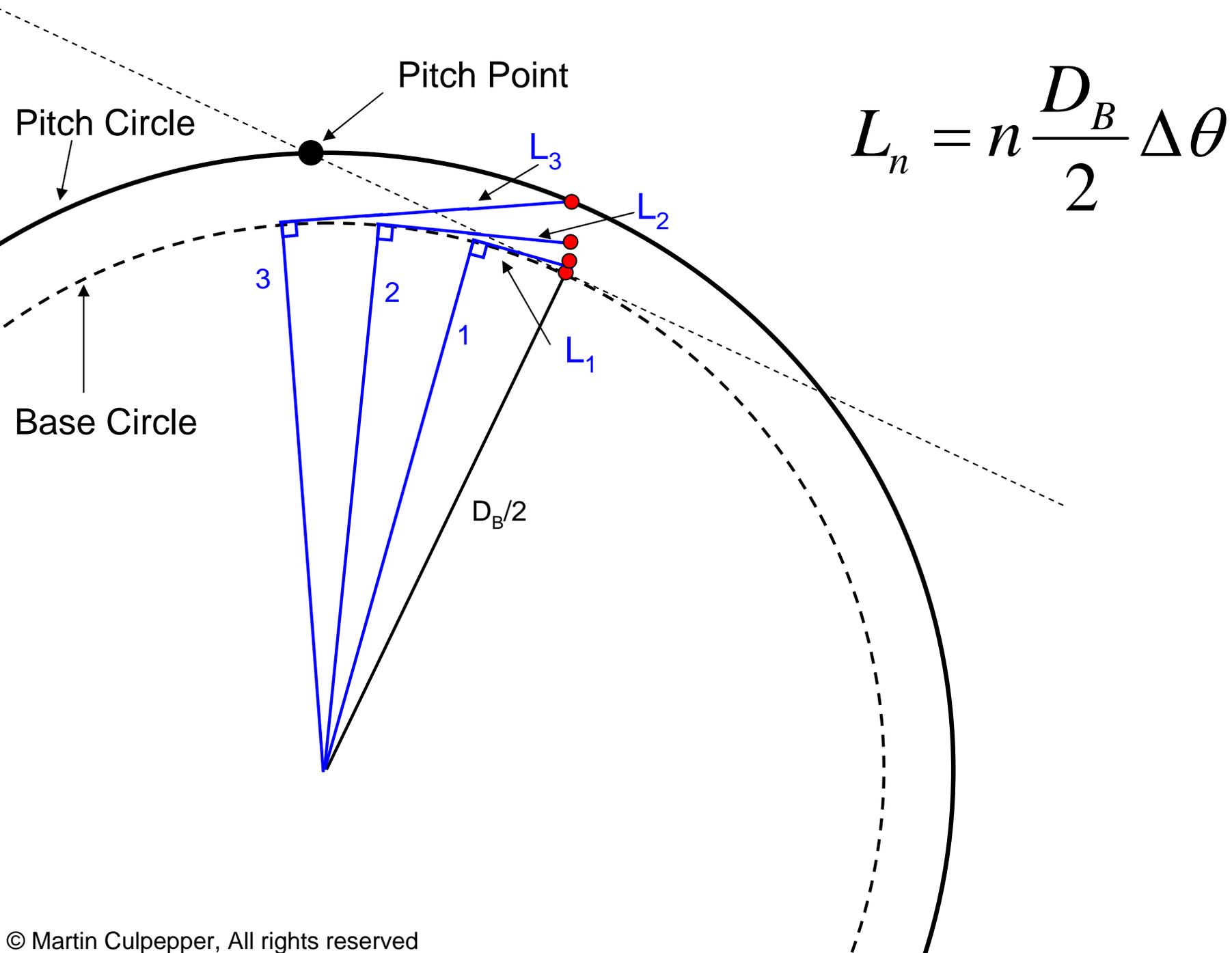
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$$D_B = D_P \cos \Phi$$



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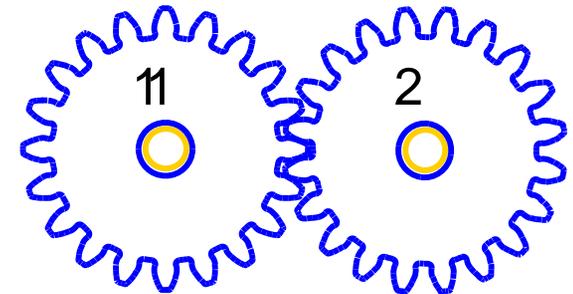


Transmission Ratio for Serial Gears



Transmission ratio for elements in series: $TR = (\text{proper sign}) \cdot \frac{\omega_{out}}{\omega_{in}}$

From pitch equation: $P_1 = \frac{N_1}{D_1} = \frac{N_2}{D_2} = P_2 \longrightarrow \frac{D_1}{D_2} = \frac{N_1}{N_2} = \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}$



For Large Serial Drive Trains:

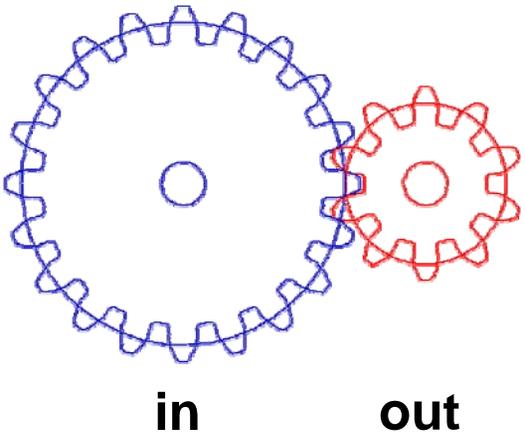
$$TR = (\text{proper sign}) \cdot \frac{\text{Product of driving teeth}}{\text{Product of driven teeth}}$$

Transmission Ratio for Serial Gears

Serial trains:

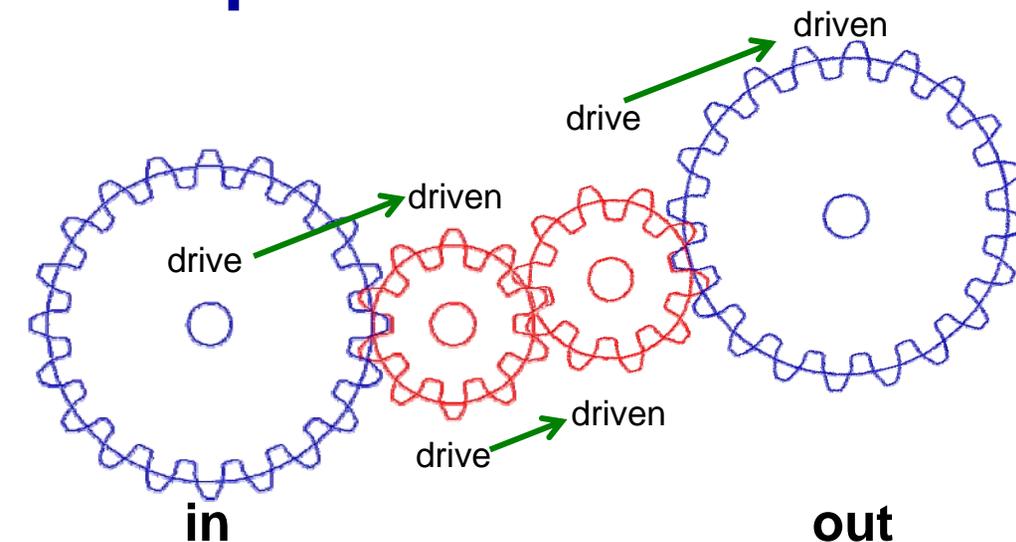
$$TR = (\text{proper sign}) \cdot \frac{\text{Product of driving teeth}}{\text{Product of driven teeth}}$$

Example 1:



$$TR = ?$$

Example 2:



$$TR = ?$$

Transmission Ratio for Serial Gears

Example 3: Integral gears in serial gear trains

- What is TR? Gear 1 = input and 5 = output

$$TR = (\text{proper sign}) \cdot \frac{\text{Product of driving teeth}}{\text{Product of driven teeth}}$$

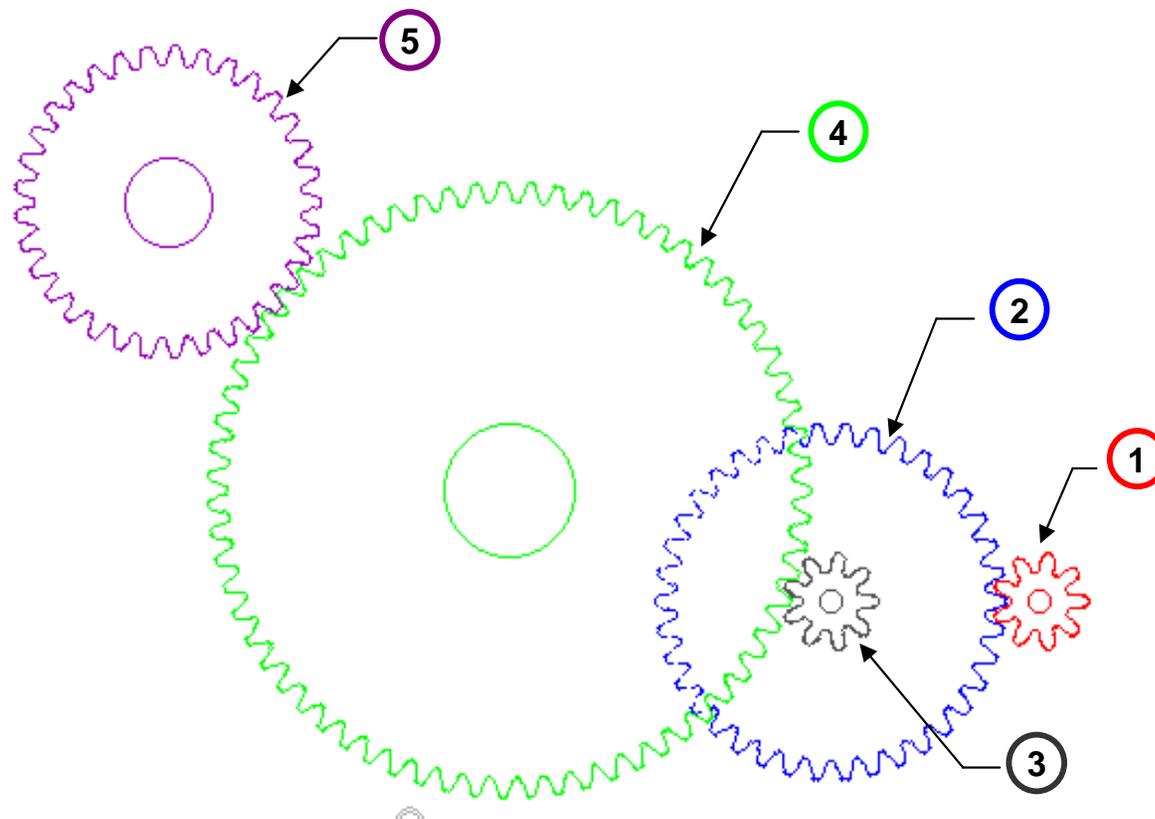
Gear - 1
 $N_1 = 9$

Gear - 2
 $N_2 = 38$

Gear - 3
 $N_3 = 9$

Gear - 4
 $N_4 = 67$

Gear - 5
 $N_5 = 33$

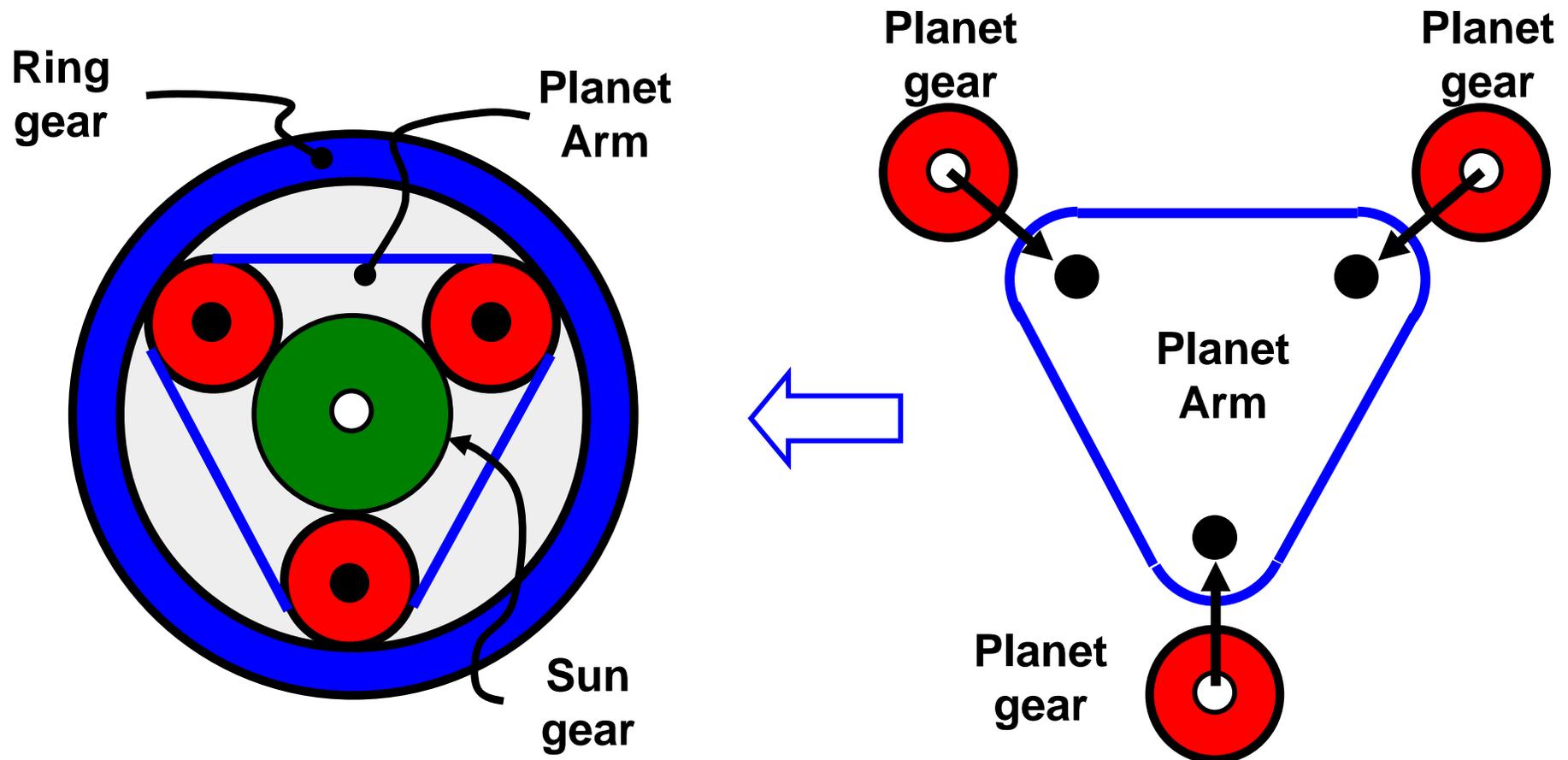


Planetary Gear Trains

Planetary gear trains are very common

- Very small/large TRs in a compact mechanism

Terminology:

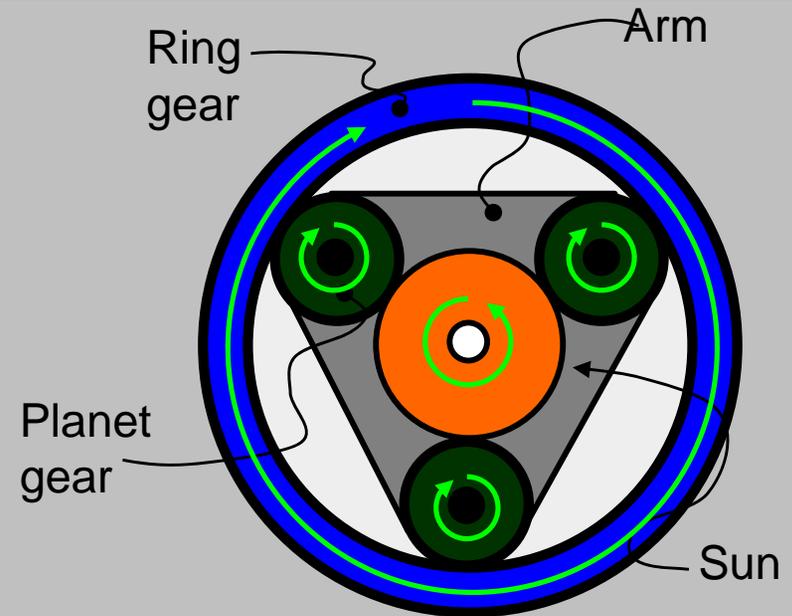


Planetary Gear Train Animation

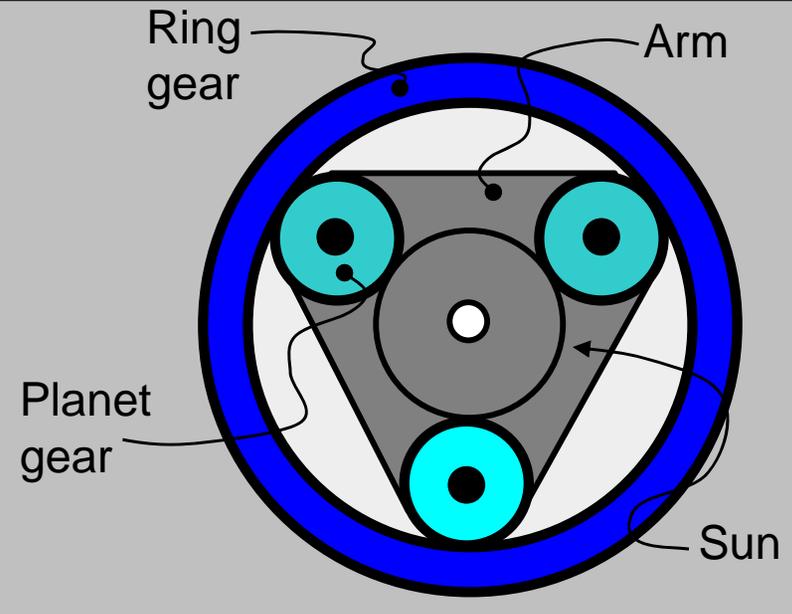
How do we find the transmission ratio?

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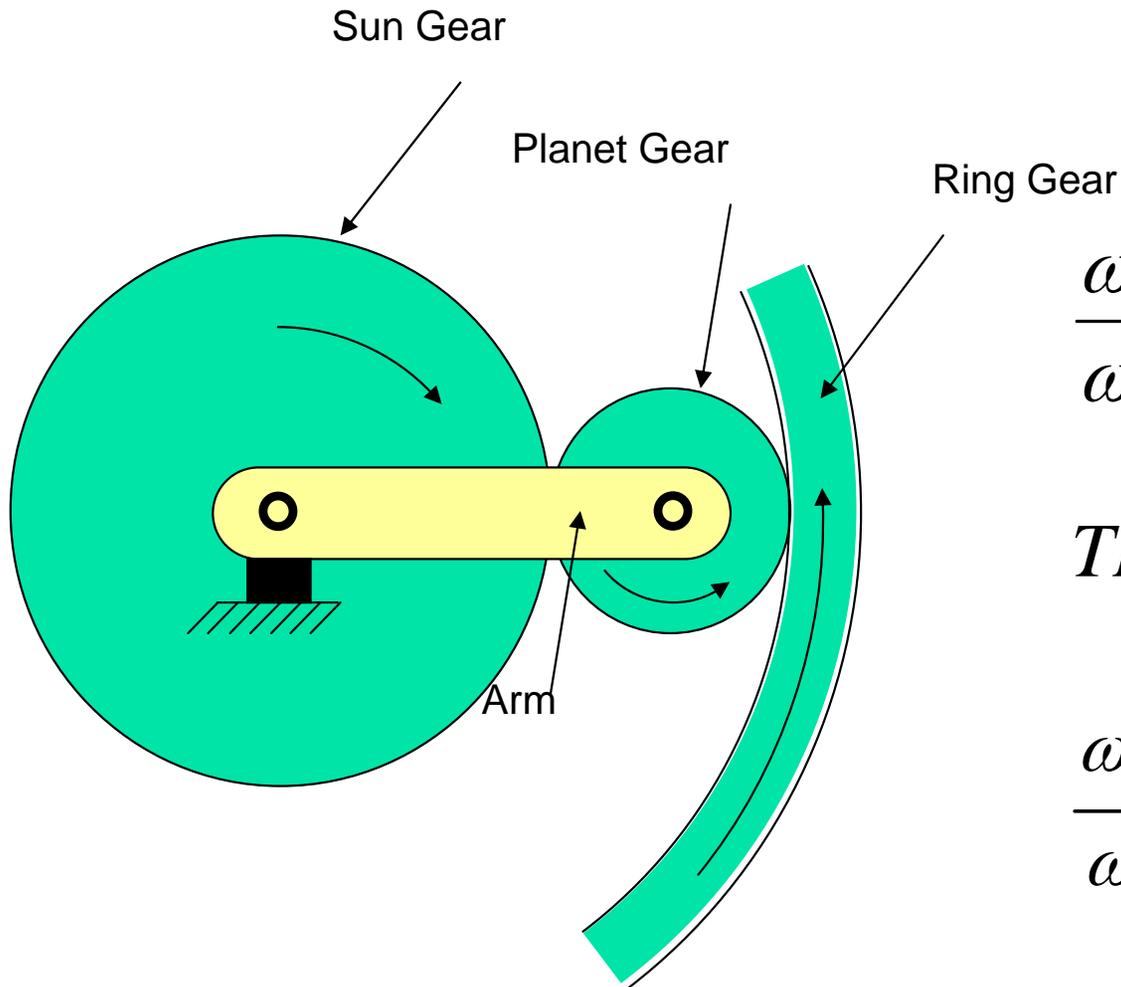
Train 1



Train 2



Planetary Gear Train TR



If we make the arm stationary, than this is a serial gear train:

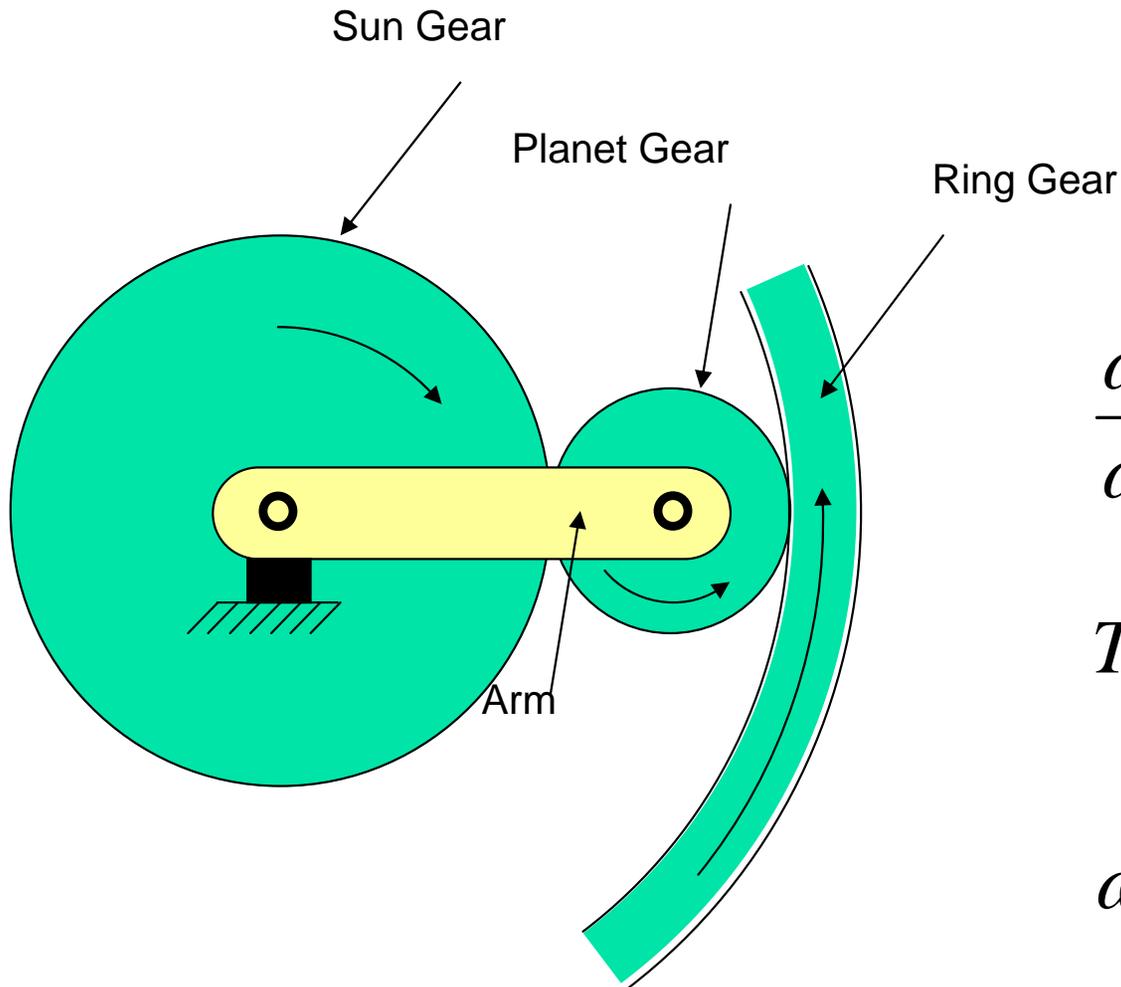
$$\frac{\omega_{ra}}{\omega_{sa}} = \frac{\omega_{ring} - \omega_{arm}}{\omega_{sun} - \omega_{arm}} = TR$$

$$TR = -\frac{N_{sun}}{N_{planet}} \cdot \frac{N_{planet}}{N_{ring}} = -\frac{N_{sun}}{N_{ring}}$$

$$\frac{\omega_{pa}}{\omega_{sa}} = \frac{\omega_{planet} - \omega_{arm}}{\omega_{sun} - \omega_{arm}} = TR$$

$$TR = -\frac{N_{sun}}{N_{planet}}$$

Planetary Gear Train Example



If the sun gear is the input, and the ring gear is held fixed:

$$\frac{\omega_{ra}}{\omega_{sa}} = \frac{0 - \omega_{arm}}{\omega_{sun} - \omega_{arm}} = TR$$

$$TR = -\frac{N_{sun}}{N_{planet}} \cdot \frac{N_{planet}}{N_{ring}} = -\frac{N_{sun}}{N_{ring}}$$

$$\omega_{output} = \omega_{arm} = \frac{TR}{TR - 1} \omega_{sun}$$

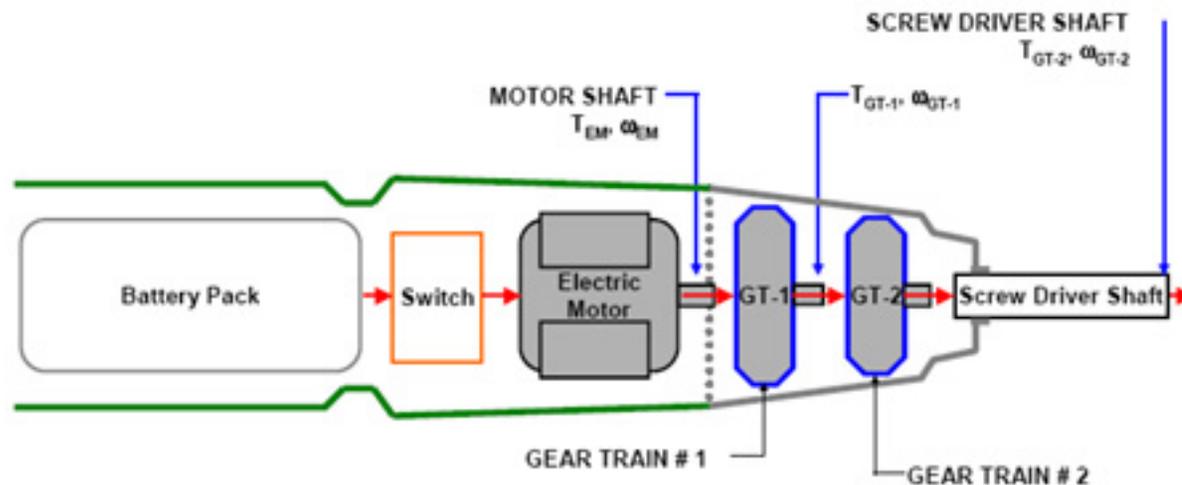
Case Study: Cordless Screwdriver

Given: Shaft T_{SH} (ω_{SH}) find motor T_M (ω_M)

- Geometry dominates relative speed (Relationship due to TR)

2 Unknowns: T_M and ω_M with 2 Equations:

- Transmission ratio links input and output speeds
- Energy balance links speeds and torques



Example: DC Motor shaft

T(ω):
$$T(\omega) = T_S \cdot \left(1 - \frac{\omega}{\omega_{NL}}\right)$$

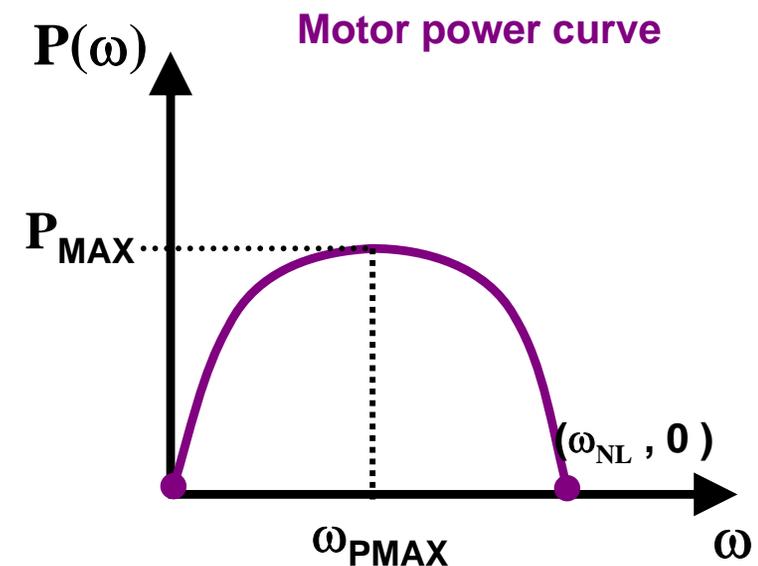
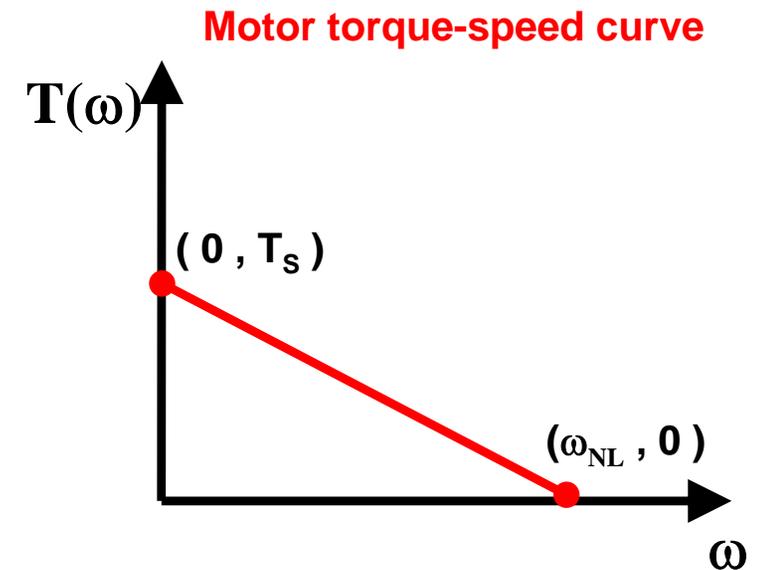
P(ω) obtained from $P(\omega) = T(\omega) \cdot \omega$

Speed at maximum power output:

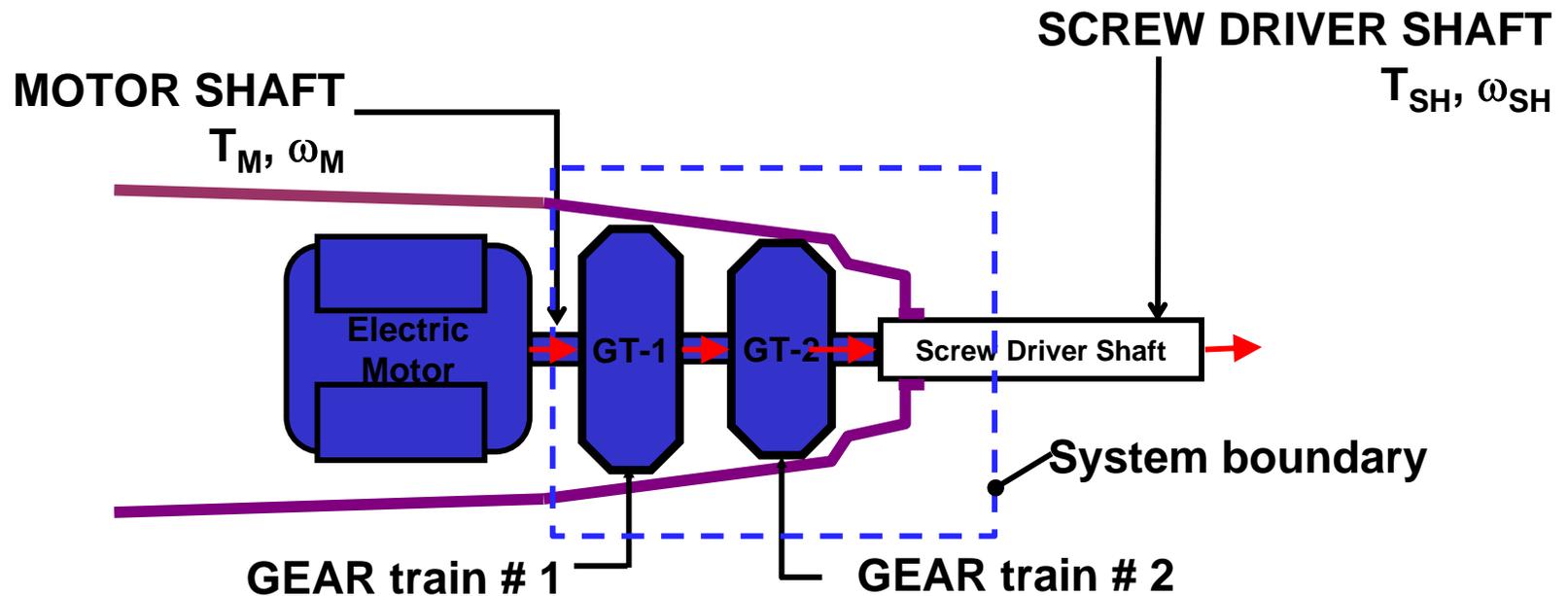
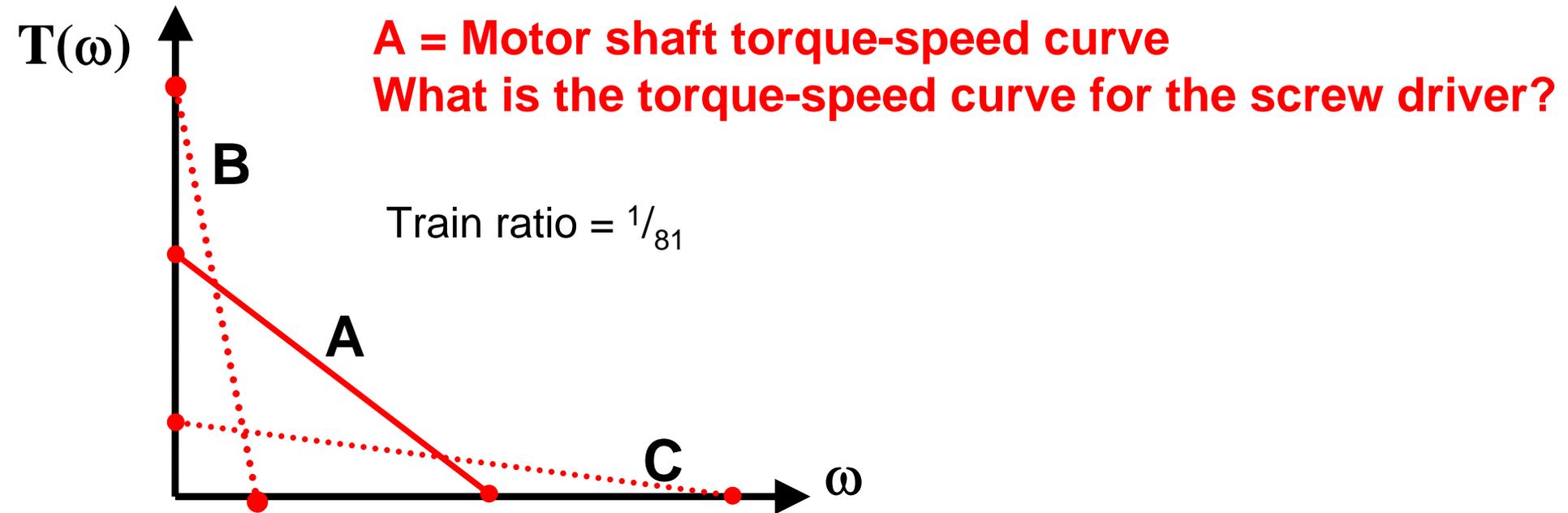
$$P(\omega) = T(\omega) \cdot \omega = T_S \cdot \left(\omega - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_{NL}}\right)$$

$$\omega_{P_{MAX}} = \frac{\omega_{NL}}{2}$$

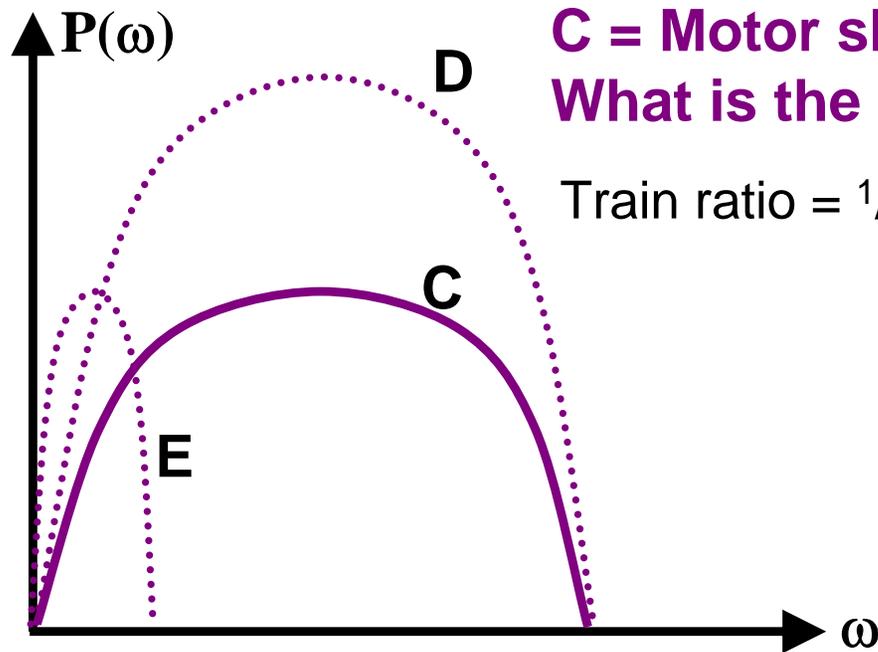
$$P_{MAX} = T_S \cdot \left(\frac{\omega_{NL}}{4}\right)$$



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C = Motor shaft power curve

What is the power-speed curve for the screw driver?

Train ratio = $1/81$

