

$\vec{M} = \frac{d\vec{H}}{dt}$: **FBD, MG road-maps, and concepts for rotating rigid bodies.**

15.1 ♣ **Concept: Useful equations for 3D mechanics?**

$\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$ is useful for analyzing 3D translational motions of a rigid body. **True/False**

$\vec{M} = I\vec{\alpha}$ is useful for analyzing 3D rotational motions of a rigid body. **True/False**

15.2 ♣ **Concept: When are both $\vec{F}^S = \vec{0}$ and $\vec{M}^{S/P} = \vec{0}$ valid?**

Consider a system S on Earth (a Newtonian reference frame) and the quantities \vec{F}^S (the resultant of all forces on S) and $\vec{M}^{S/P}$ (the moment of all forces on S about an arbitrary point P).

For each situation below, determine whether both $\vec{F}^S = \vec{0}$ and $\vec{M}^{S/P} = \vec{0}$ (P is any point) apply.	
S is a baseball (particle) dropped from the roof of a two-story building (small air-resistance).	Yes/No
S is a baseball (particle) falling at terminal velocity.	Yes/No
S is a set of baseballs (particles) falling at terminal velocity.	Yes/No
S is a car (rigid body) parked on a hill.	Yes/No
S is a car (rigid body) whose every point moves on a straight line at constant speed.	Yes/No
S is a car moving on a straight line whose speed changes from 0 to 30 mph in 5 sec.	Yes/No
S is a car moving on a circular curve at constant speed.	Yes/No
S is a heavy (massive) spring between a wall and a vibrating object (S is just the spring).	Yes/No
S is a light (massless) spring between a wall and vibrating object (S is just the spring).	Yes/No
S is symmetric rigid windmill blades (with fixed center) spinning with constant angular speed.	Yes/No
S is symmetric rigid windmill blades (with fixed center) spinning with varying angular speed.	Yes/No

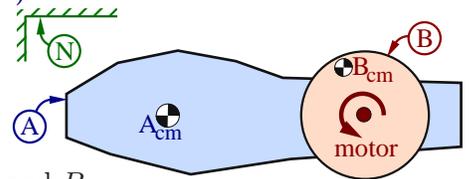
... the whole burden of philosophy seems to consist in this, from the phenomena of motions to investigate the forces of nature, and from the forces to demonstrate the other phenomena. -Isaac Newton, *Principia Philosophiae* (1686)

15.3 ♣ **Concept: Rotational motion? (Draw free-body diagrams.)**

The figure to the right shows a rigid body B connected to a rigid body A with a **torque/revolute motor**.

Initially, A and B are **at rest** (stationary) in deep empty space in a Newtonian (inertial) reference frame N .

S_{cm} denotes the center of mass of the system S consisting of A and B .



- The torque motor can rotate A in N . **True/False**
- The torque motor can translate A_{cm} in N . **True/False**
- The torque motor can rotate B in N . **True/False**
- The torque motor can translate B_{cm} in N . **True/False**
- The torque motor can translate S_{cm} in N . **True/False**

Draw A 's FBD	Draw B 's FBD

- †**Optional:** Suppose the revolute motor's axis of rotation is initially parallel to a unit vector $\hat{\lambda}$ fixed in N . Can the motor cause its axis to point in another direction (i.e., so that at some later time the revolute axis is not parallel to $\hat{\lambda}$)? **Yes/No**. (Hint: See Homework 11.11).

Explain: B or A must have a non-zero in a direction associated with $\hat{\lambda}$.