

# Kinematics of Mechanisms

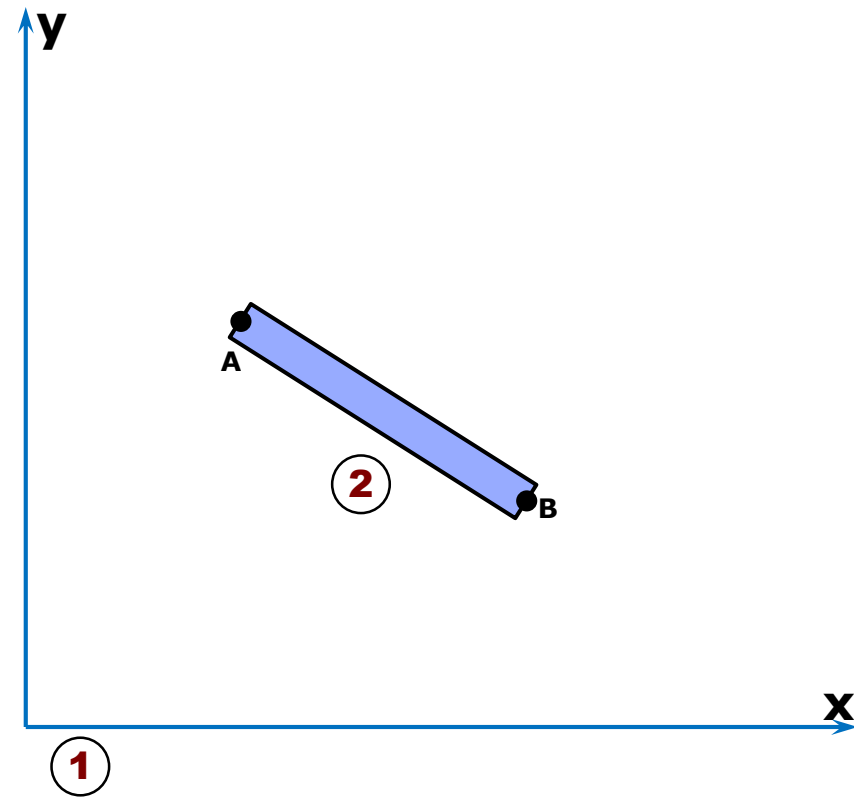
## ☐ Instant Centers

- Primary

- Secondary

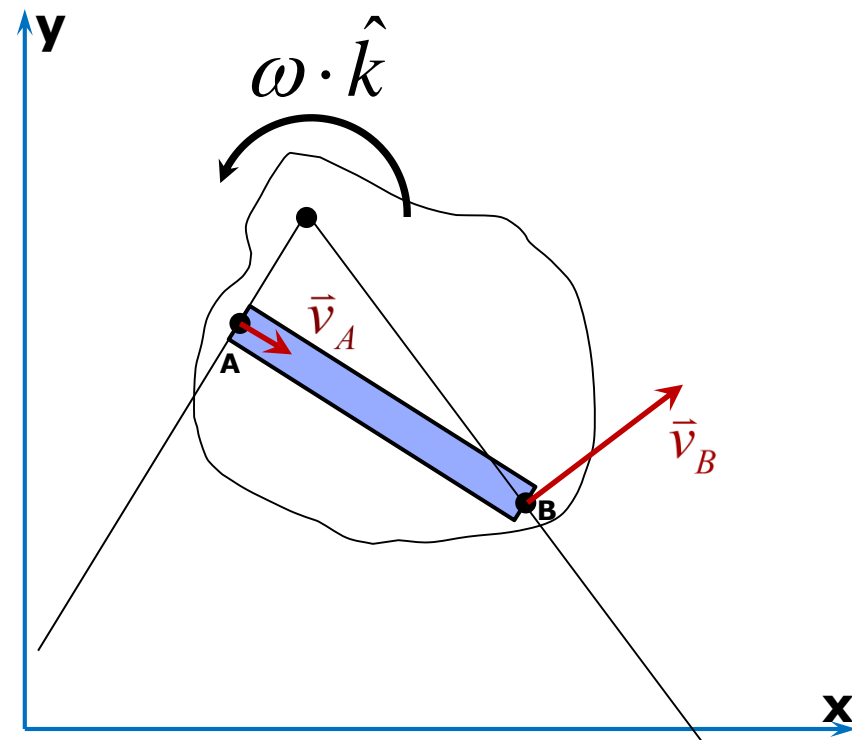
## ☐ Aronhold-Kennedy Theorem

# Planar Body Motion Assumptions



- **Rigid Body Motion**
  - No axial deformation
  - No twisting
  - No bending
- **Planar Motion**
  - In a single plane
  - In parallel planes

# The Center of Rotation is Found from Known Velocities

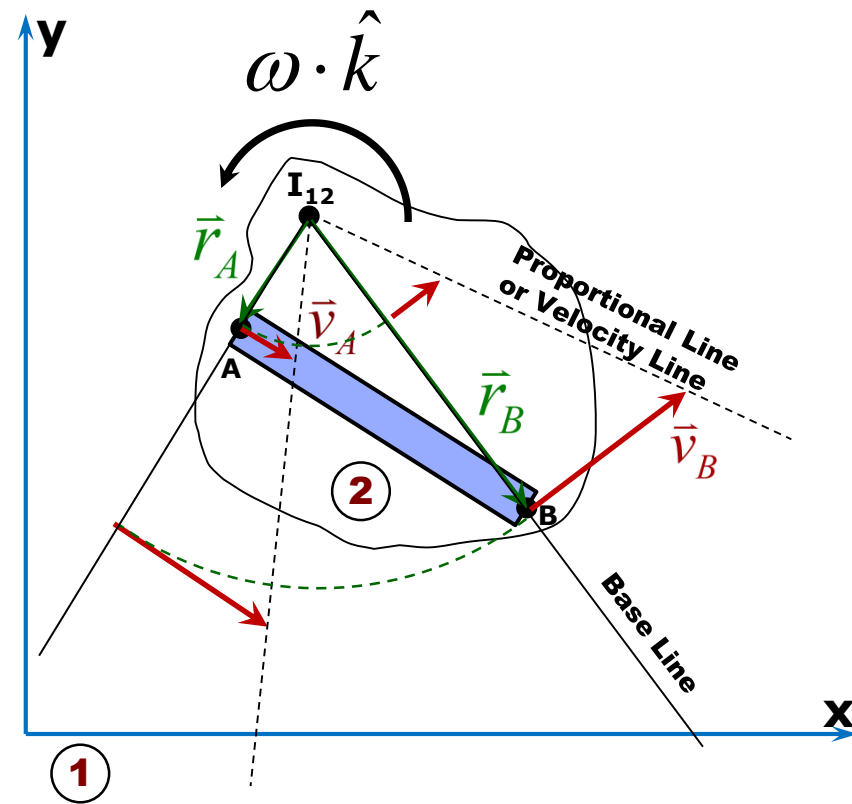


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- The Link appears to Rotate about a Point

$$\vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}$$

- Link **Expansion**
  - Any point in the plane

# Location of the Instant Centers of Velocity



- In General

$$\vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}$$

- For Planar Problems

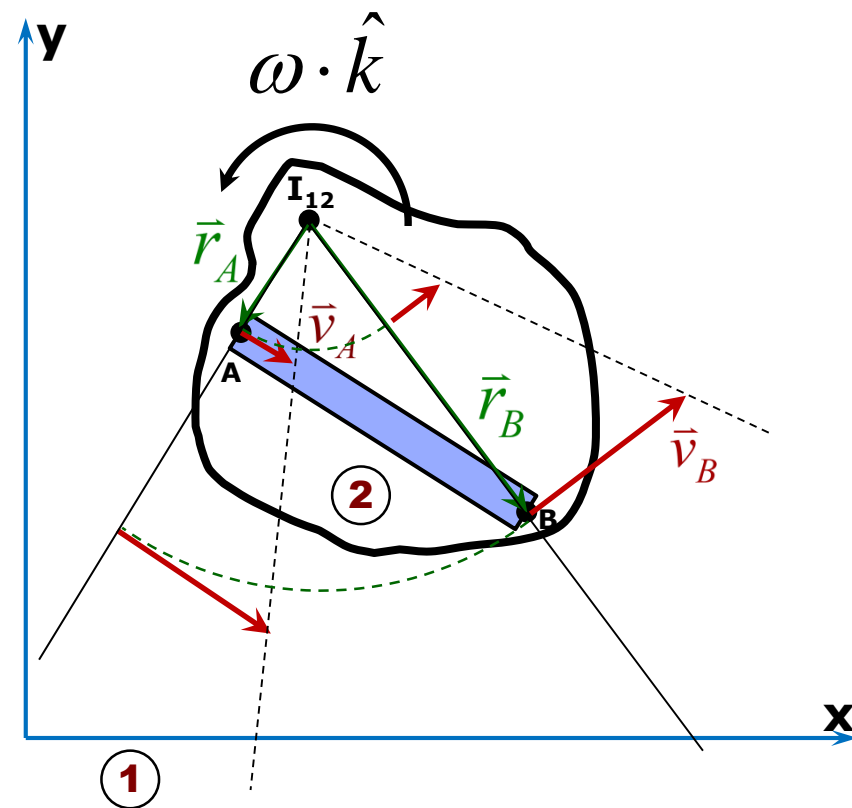
$$\vec{v} = \omega \cdot \hat{k} \times \vec{r}$$

- If  $\omega$  and  $r$  are perpendicular

$$v = \omega \cdot r$$

- $I_{12}$  is the instant center between the ground ① and body AB ②

# Instant Centers of Velocity Definition:



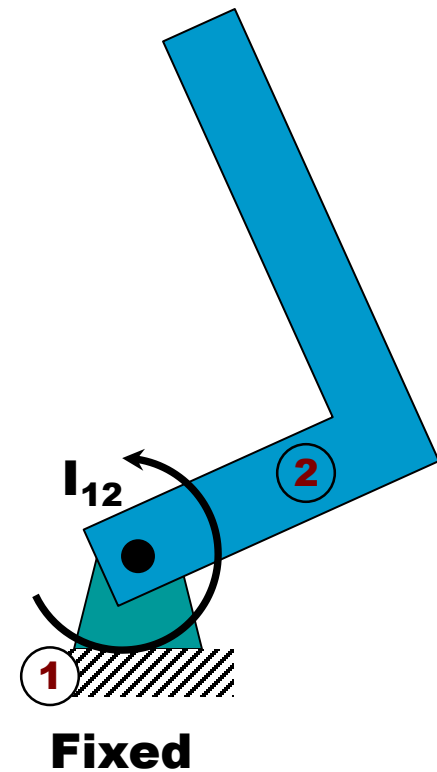
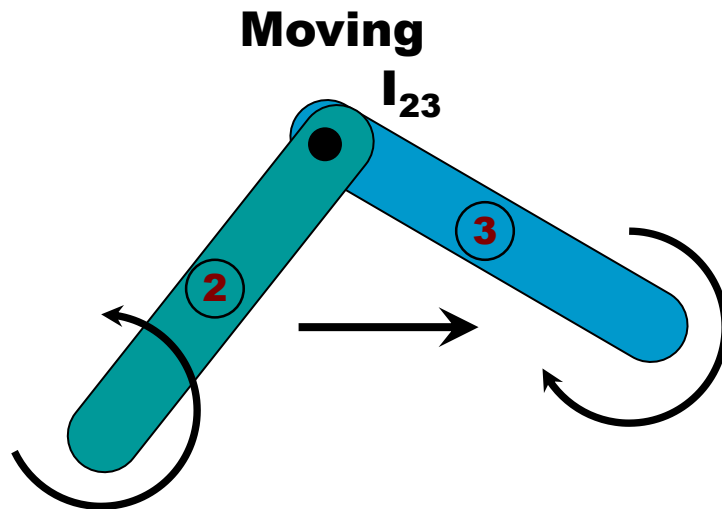
- Instant Centers often referred to as
  - Poles
  - Centros
  - Instantaneous Centers of Velocity
- Definition
  - A point on one body about which some other body is rotating either permanently or at an instant
  - A point common to two bodies having the same linear velocity in both magnitude and direction
- Functional Types
  - **Primary**
    - Found through Direct Observation
  - **Secondary**
    - Aronhold-Kennedy Theorem
- Kinematic Types
  - **Fixed** to the reference plane
  - **Move** with time
    - Instantaneous Location

# Forms of Primary Instant Centers (Directly Observed)

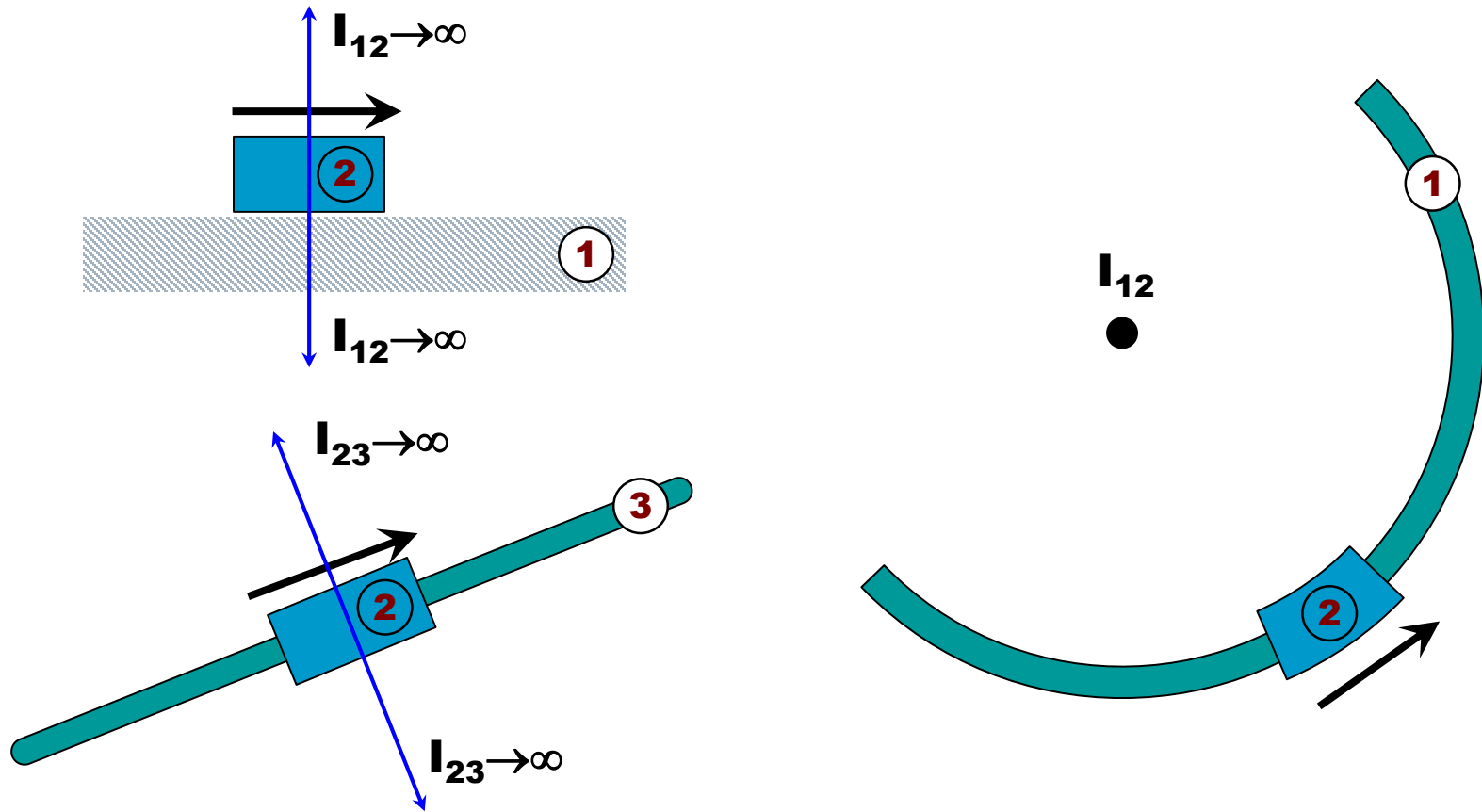
1. Instant Centers for **Pin Connected Links**
2. Instant Centers for **Sliding Bodies**
3. Instant Centers for **Rolling Bodies**
  - **No-Slip**

# Instant Center

## Revolute Joint/Pin Connections



# Instant Center Prismatic Joint/Sliding Body





# PRIMARY Instant Center

Instant Centers that can be found through DIRECT Observation

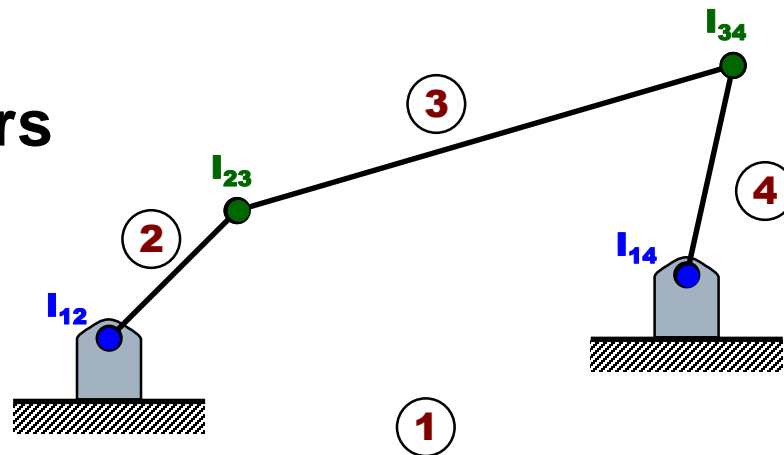
## Fixed Instant Centers

- Remains Fixed to the Frame
- Does Not Move

## Moving Instant Centers

- Are not Fixed
- Can Move in Time

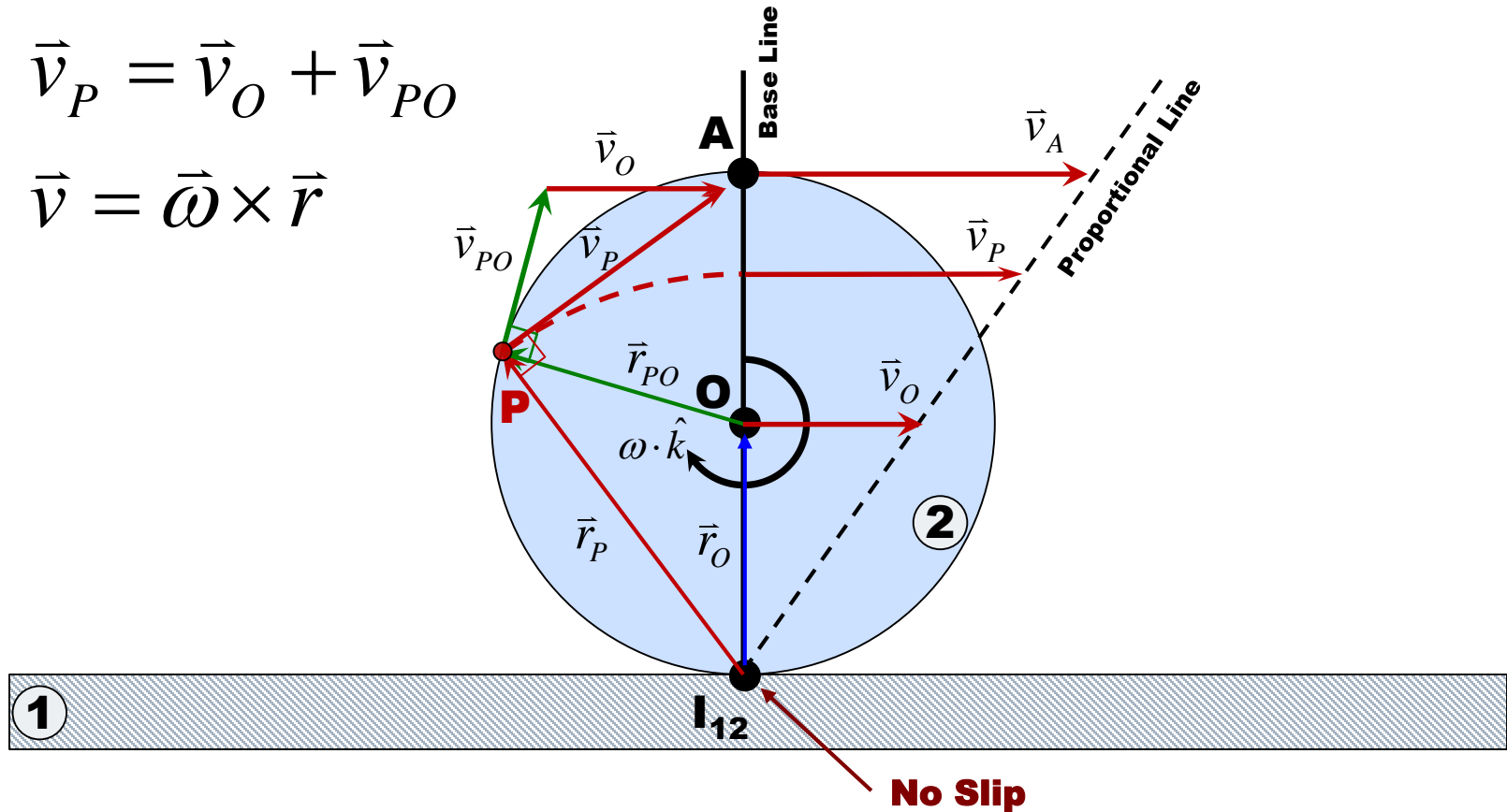
- ① Ground Link
- ② Drive/Crank Link
- ③ Coupler Link
- ④ Follower Link



# Instant Center Rolling-**NO Slip** Contact

$$\vec{v}_P = \vec{v}_O + \vec{v}_{PO}$$

$$\vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}$$



# The Number of Instant Centers Can Be Calculated

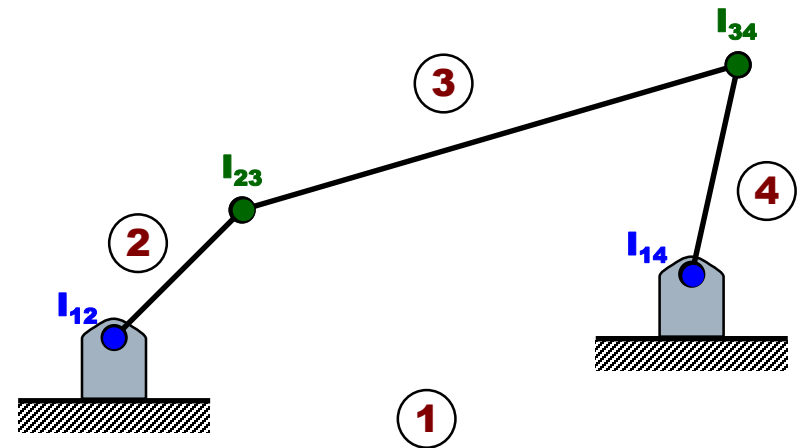
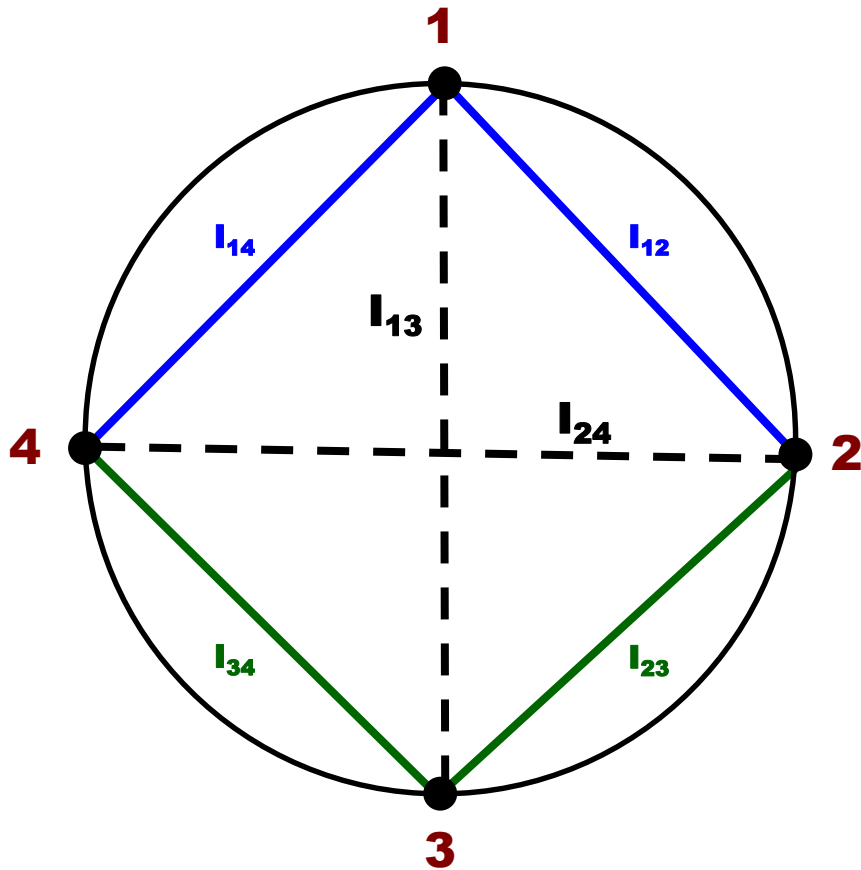
Because any two links in a mechanism have motion relative to one another, they have a common **Instant Center**.

$$N = \binom{n}{2} = \frac{n!}{(n-2)! \cdot 2!} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

The number of links in a mechanism taken two at a time. For a 4 Bar Mechanism:

$$N = \frac{4(4-1)}{2} = 6$$

# Kennedy Circle

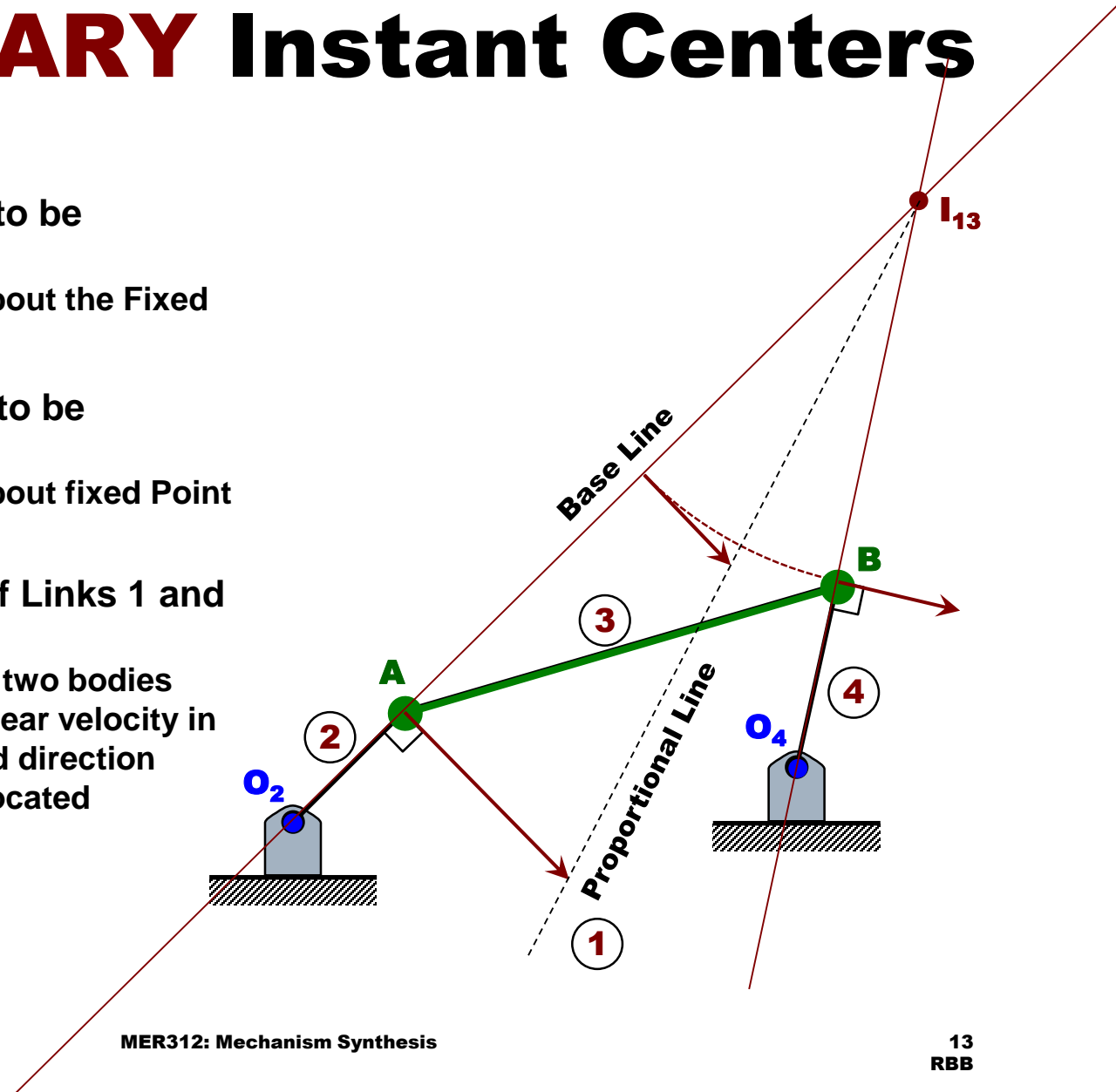


Need to locate the **SECONDARY** Instant Centers  $I_{13}$  and  $I_{24}$

# Where are the Other Two ICs

## **SECONDARY** Instant Centers

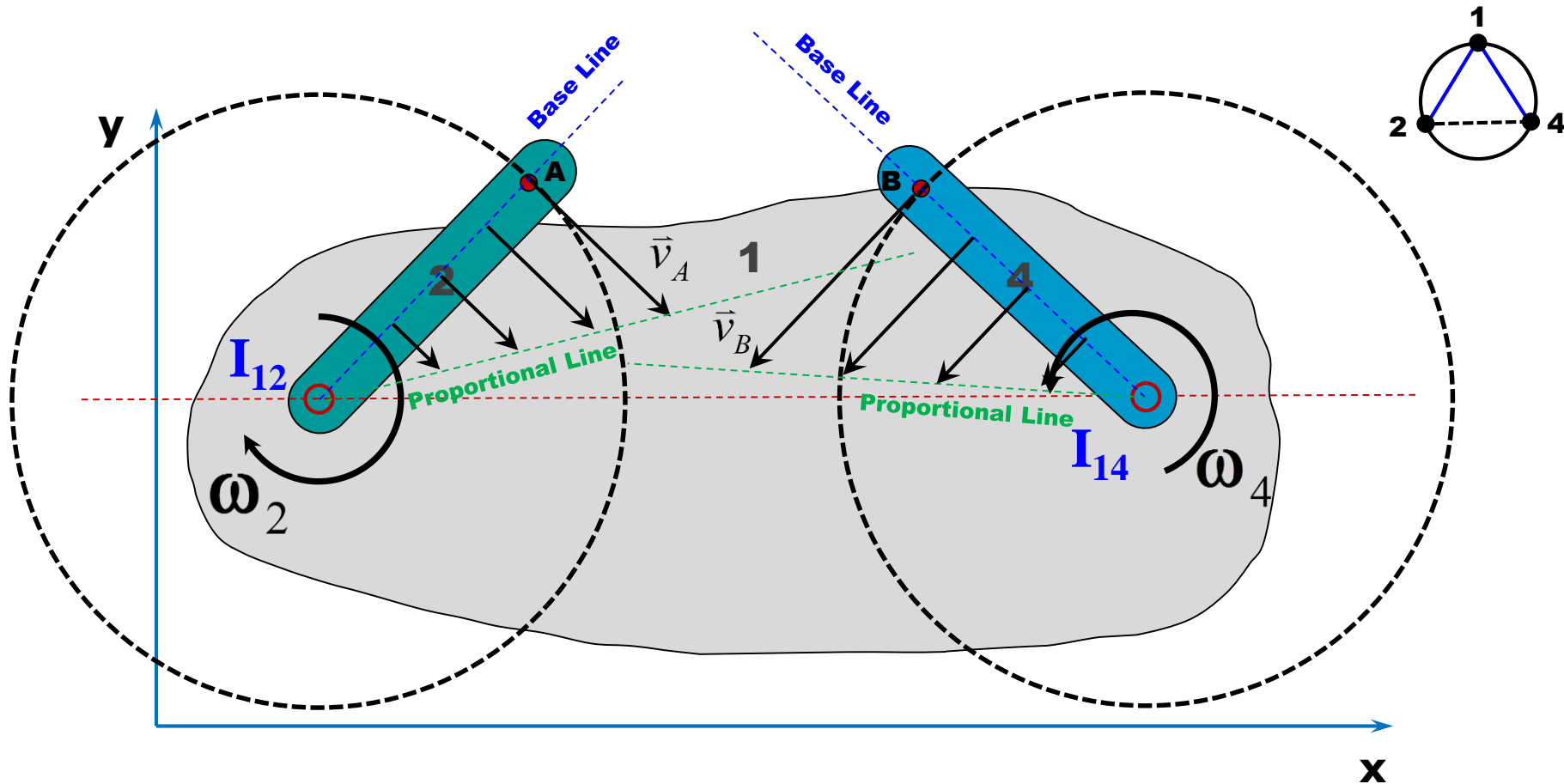
- The velocity at A has to be perpendicular to  $O_2A$ ,
  - Link 2 is rotating about the Fixed Point  $O_2$
- The velocity at B has to be perpendicular to  $O_4B$ ,
  - Link 4 is rotating about fixed Point  $O_4$
- Through Expansion of Links 1 and 3
  - A point common to two bodies having the same linear velocity in both magnitude and direction
  - Instant Center  $I_{13}$  Located
  - $I_{13}$  is a MOVING IC
- Still need to find  $I_{24}$



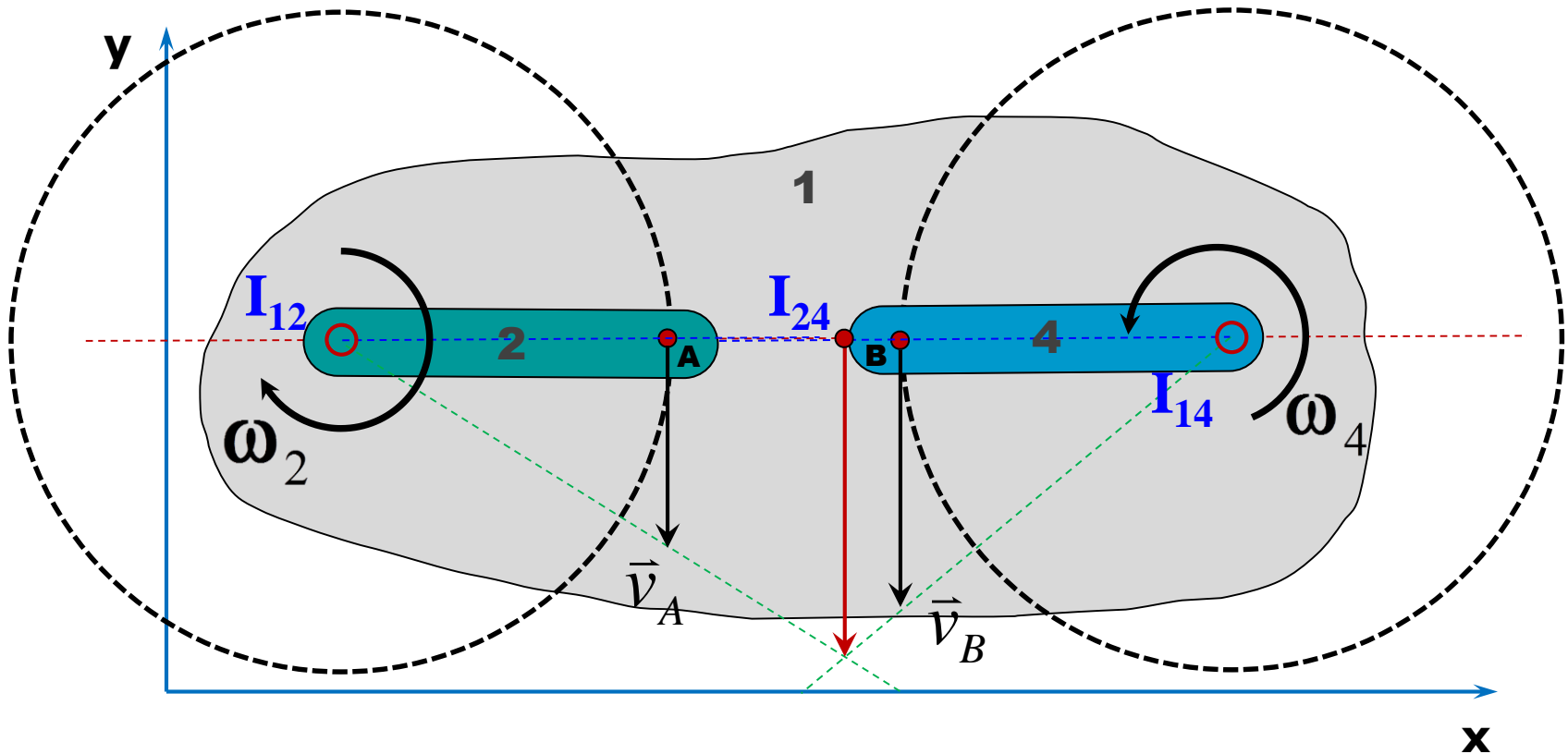
# Aronhold-Kennedy Theorem

- The three instant centers shared by three rigid bodies in relative motion to one another all lie on the same straight line
- The three bodies do not have to be connected
- Independently Discovered
  - S.H. Aronhold (1872) - German Speaking Countries
  - A.B.W. Kennedy (1886) - English Speaking Countries

# Finding $I_{24}$ , Derivation of the Aronhold-Kennedy Theorem



# Aronhold-Kennedy Theorem

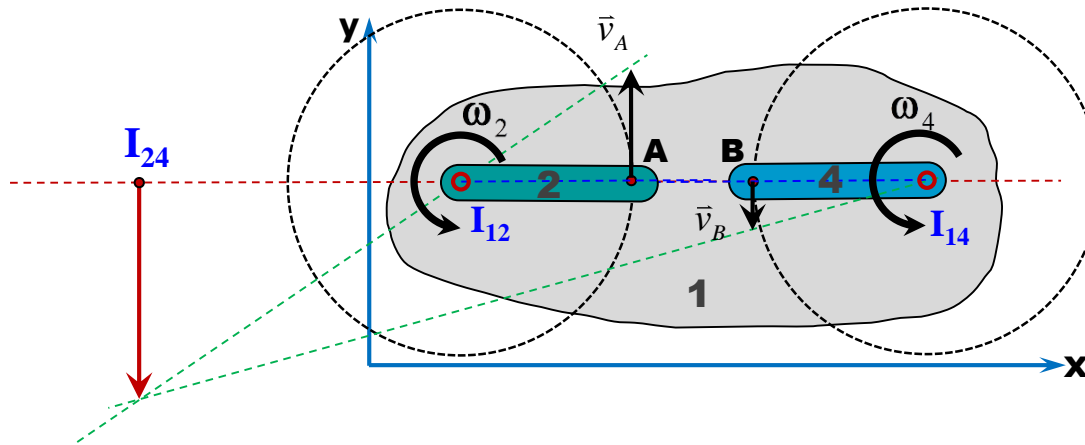
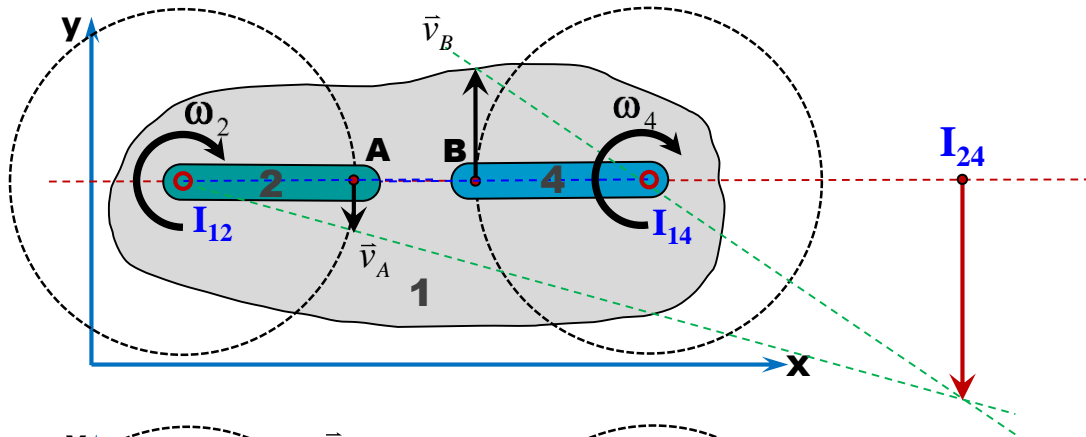




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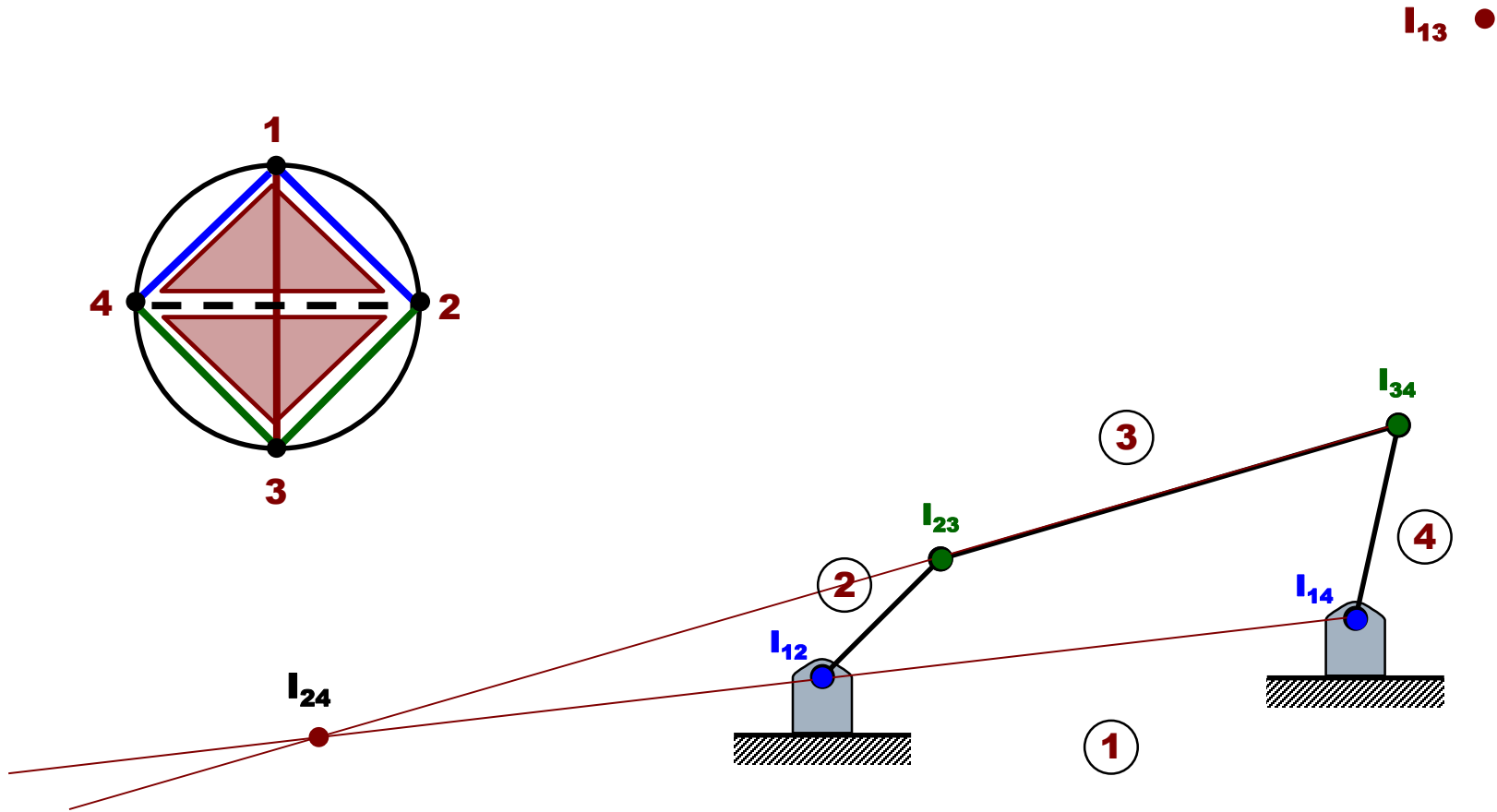
## Alternate Locations of $I_{24}$

**Both Rotating  
Clockwise**

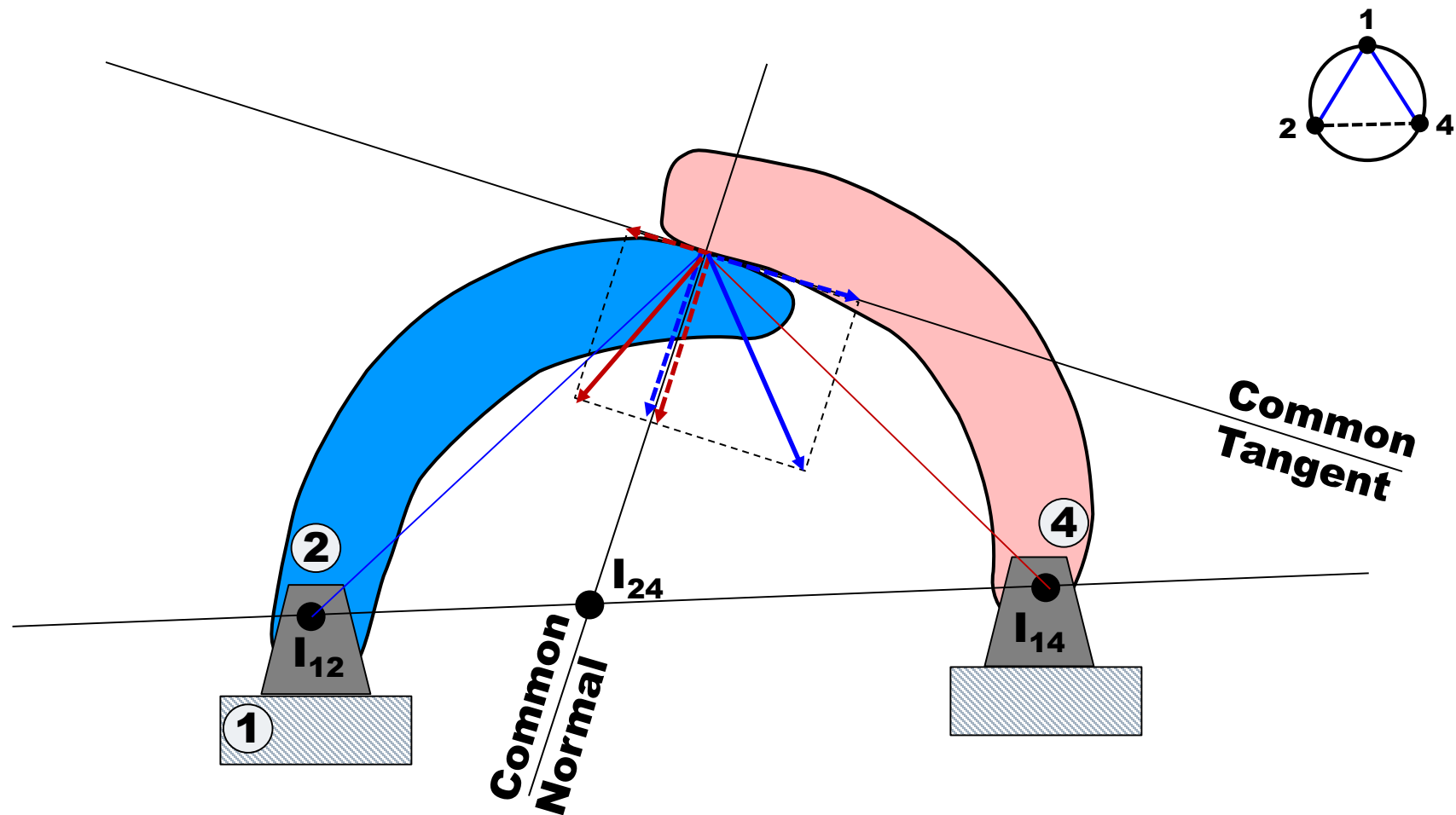


**Both Rotating  
Counter-Clockwise**

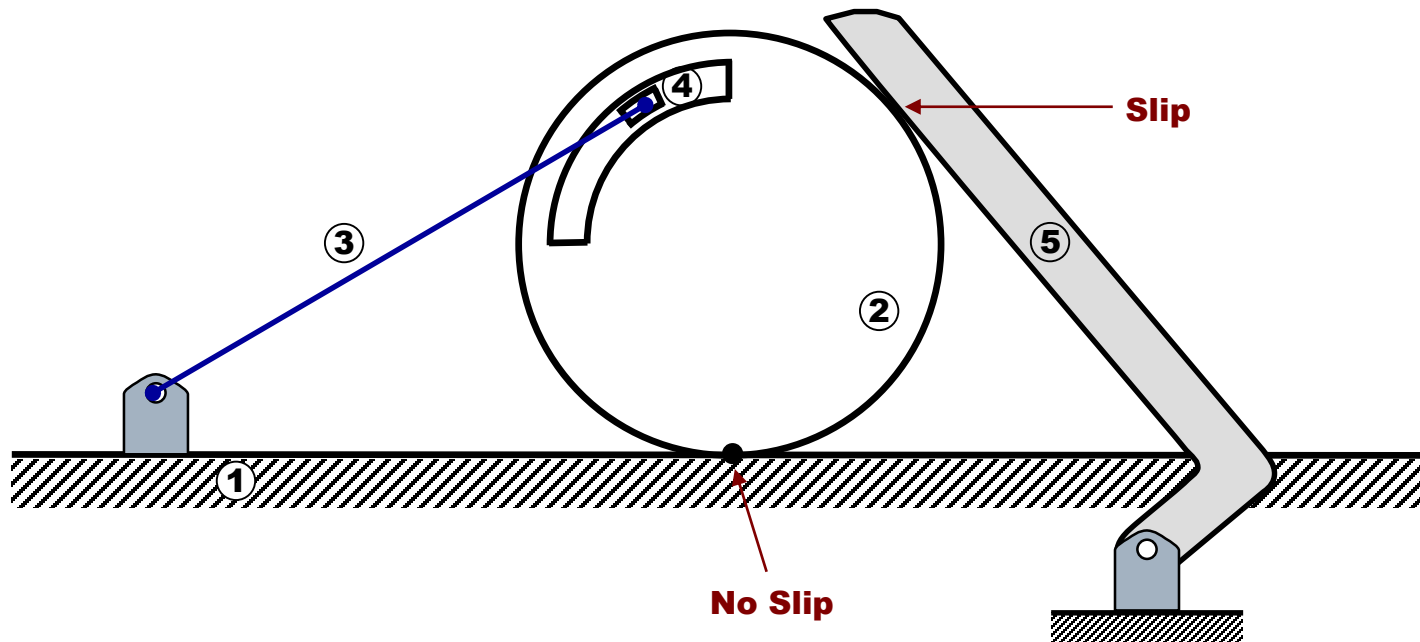
# SECONDARY Instant Centers Using Aronhold-Kennedy



# Instant Center Rolling-Slip Contact

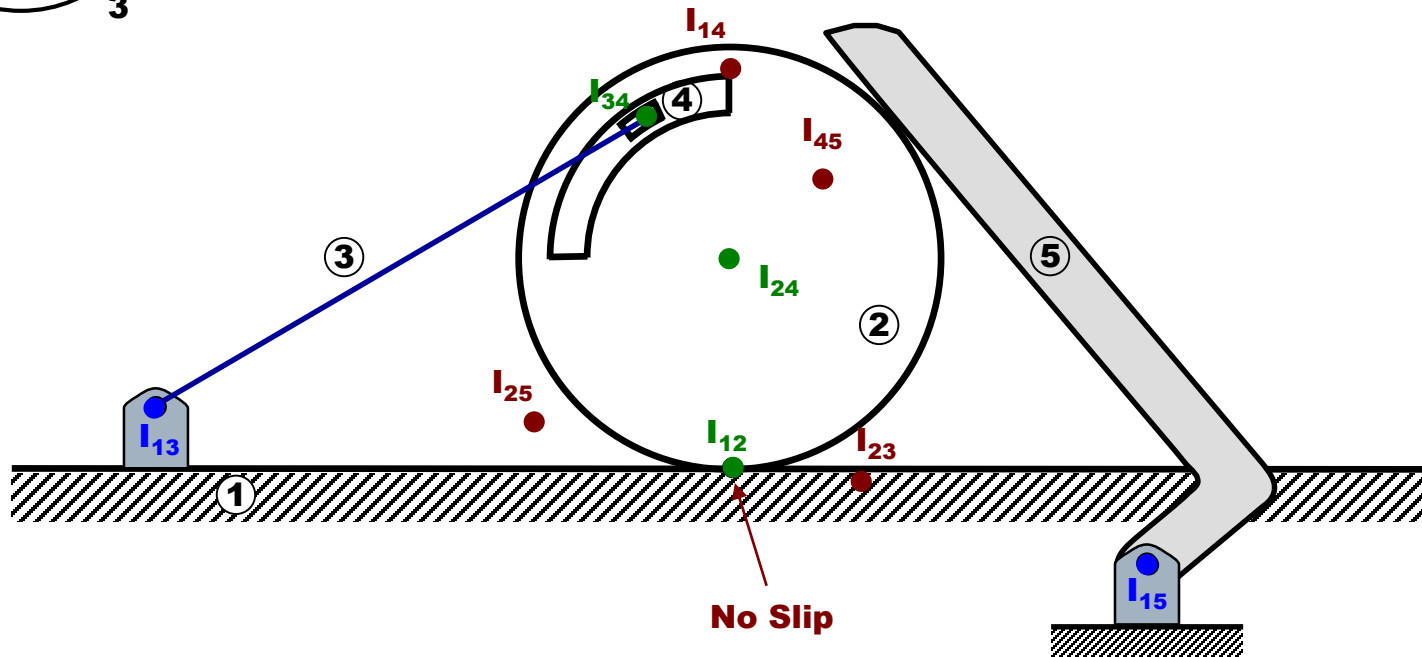
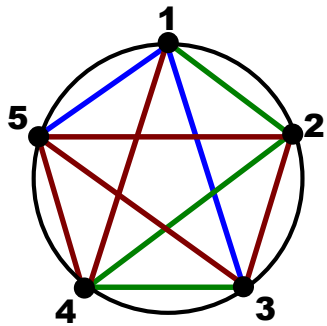


# Example: Locate the IC's for the Mechanism Below.

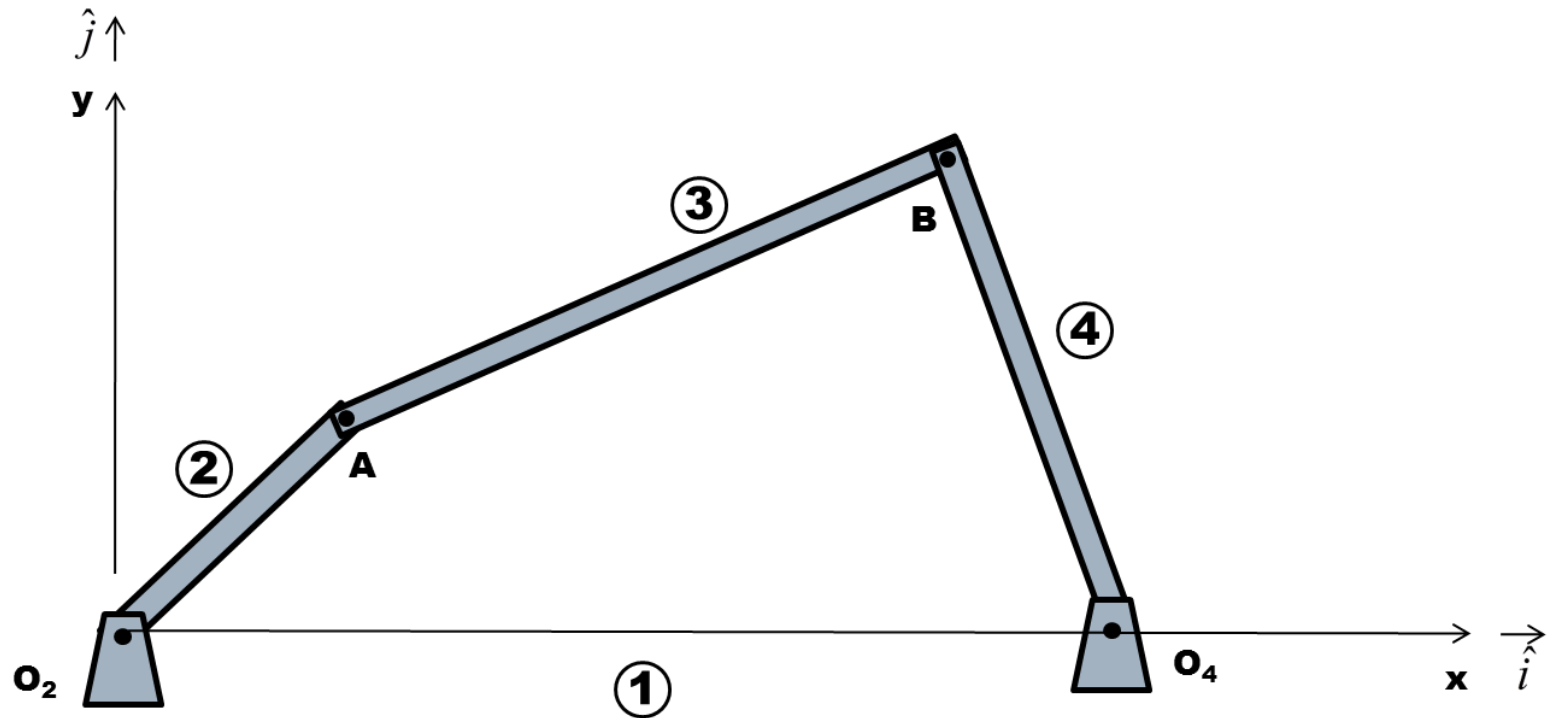




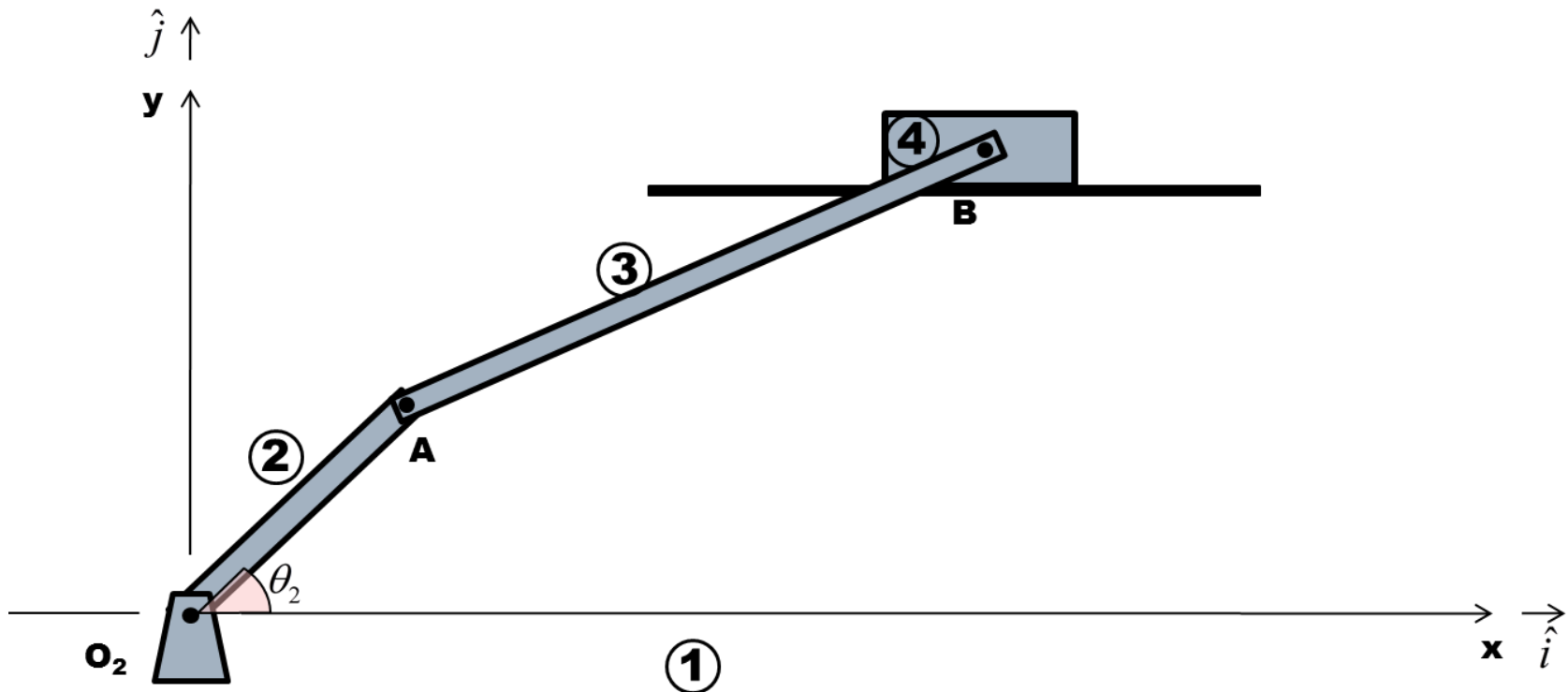
# Solution: Instant Centers



# TYPE I (RRRR): 4 - BAR

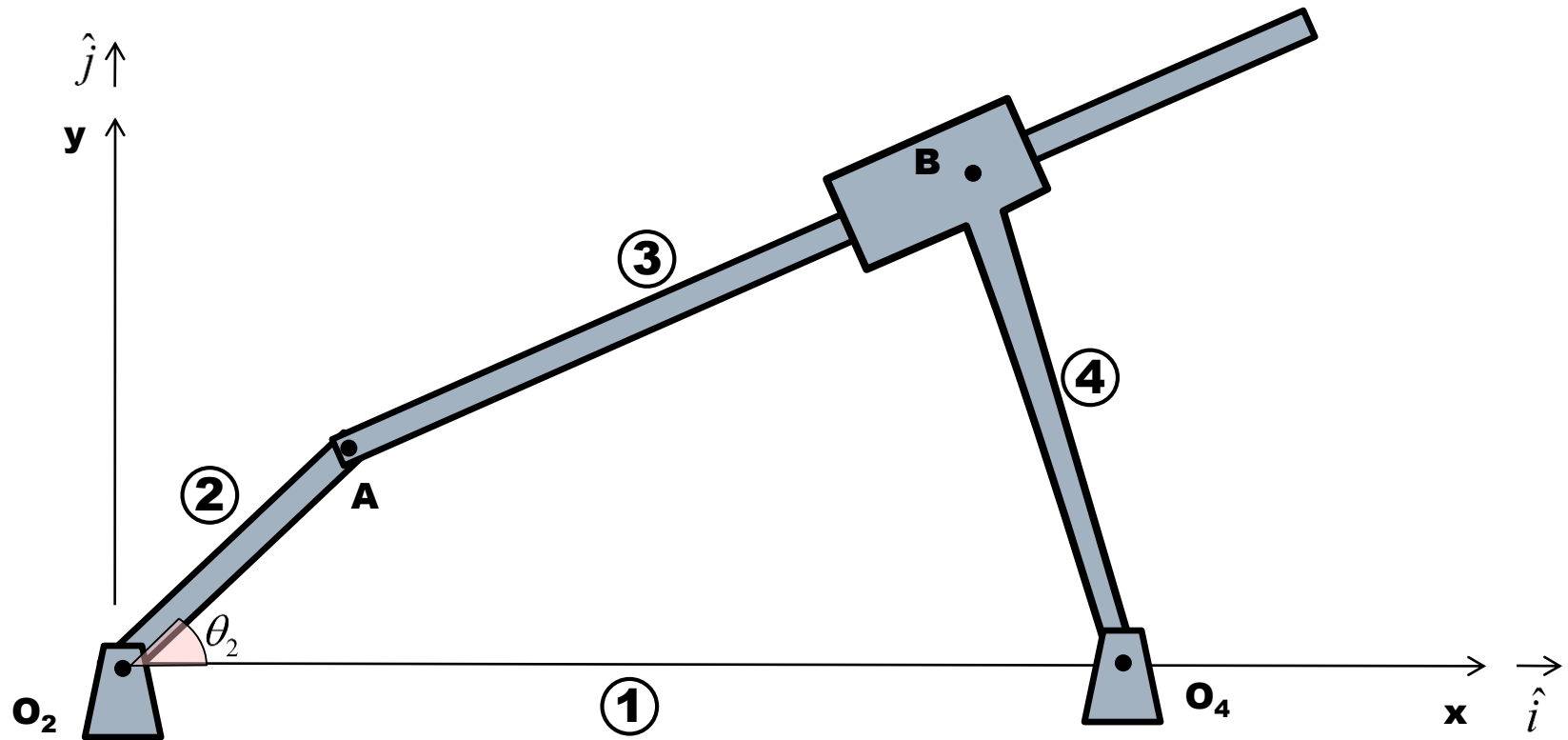


# TYPE II: (RRRP): SLIDER CRANK

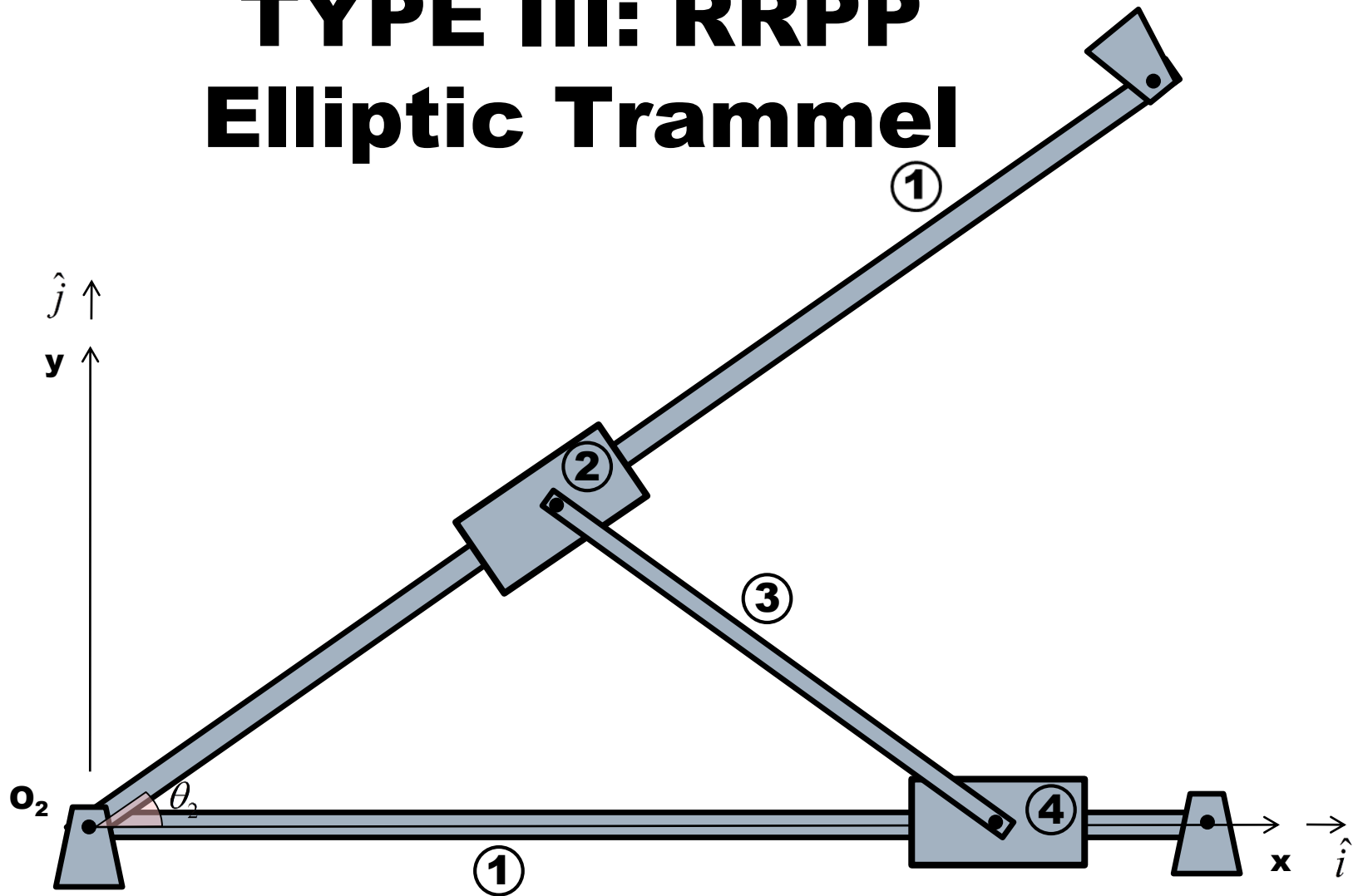




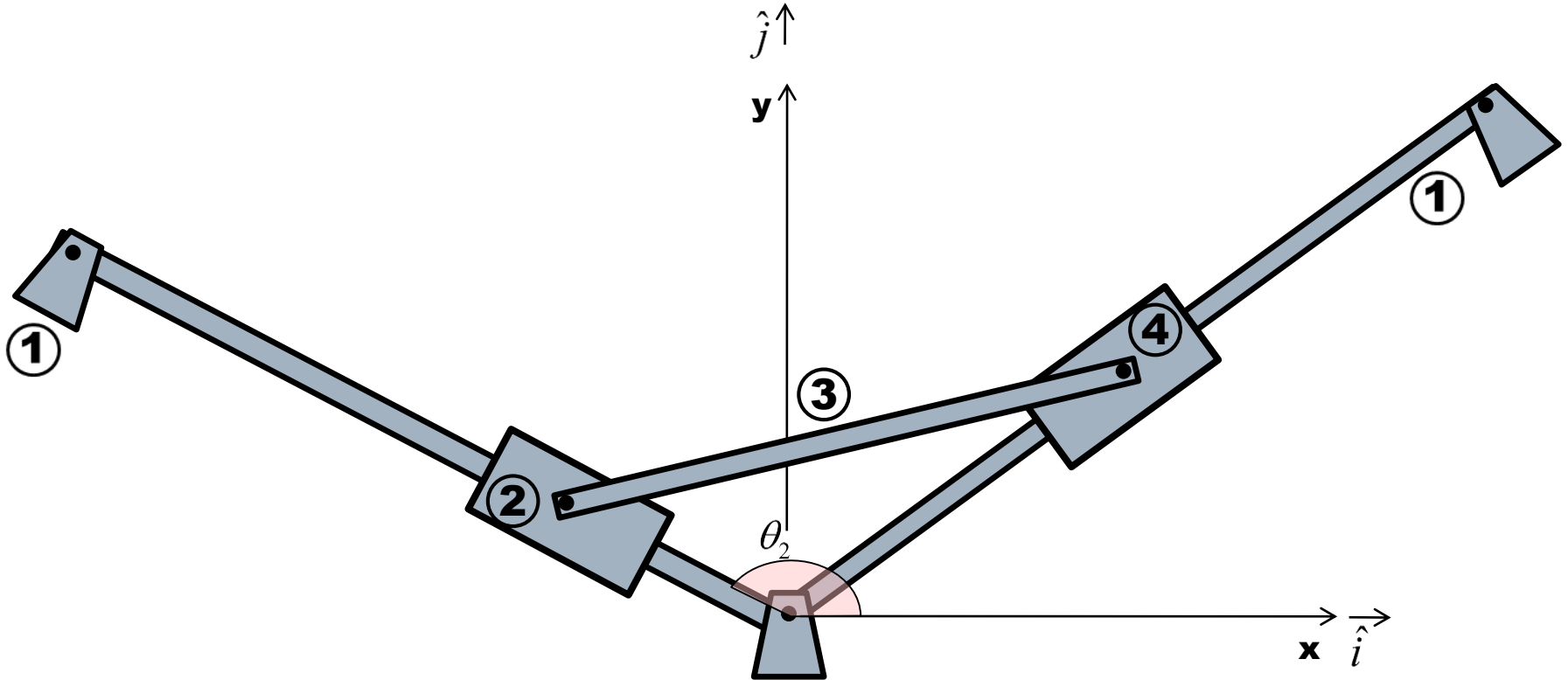
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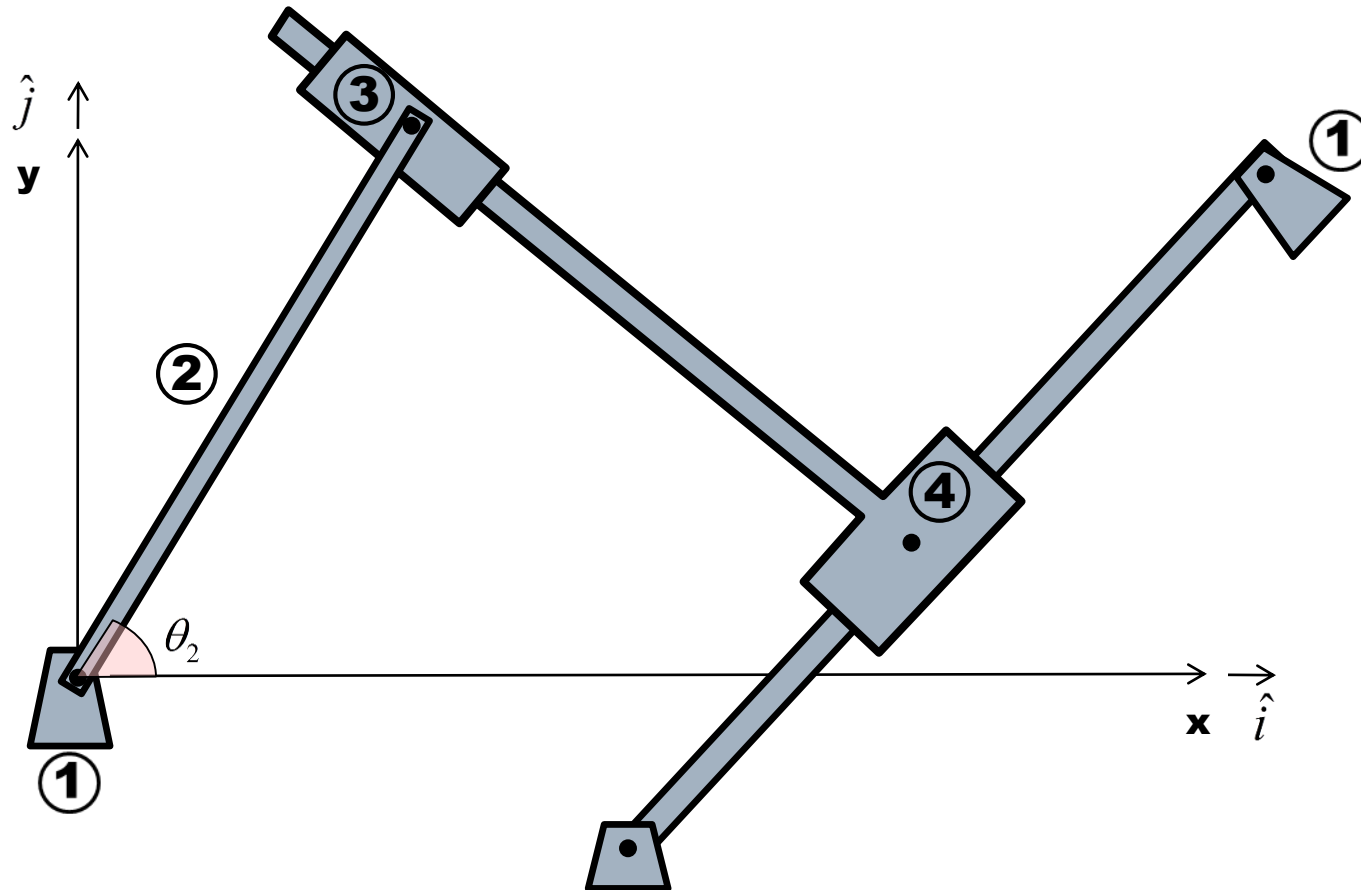
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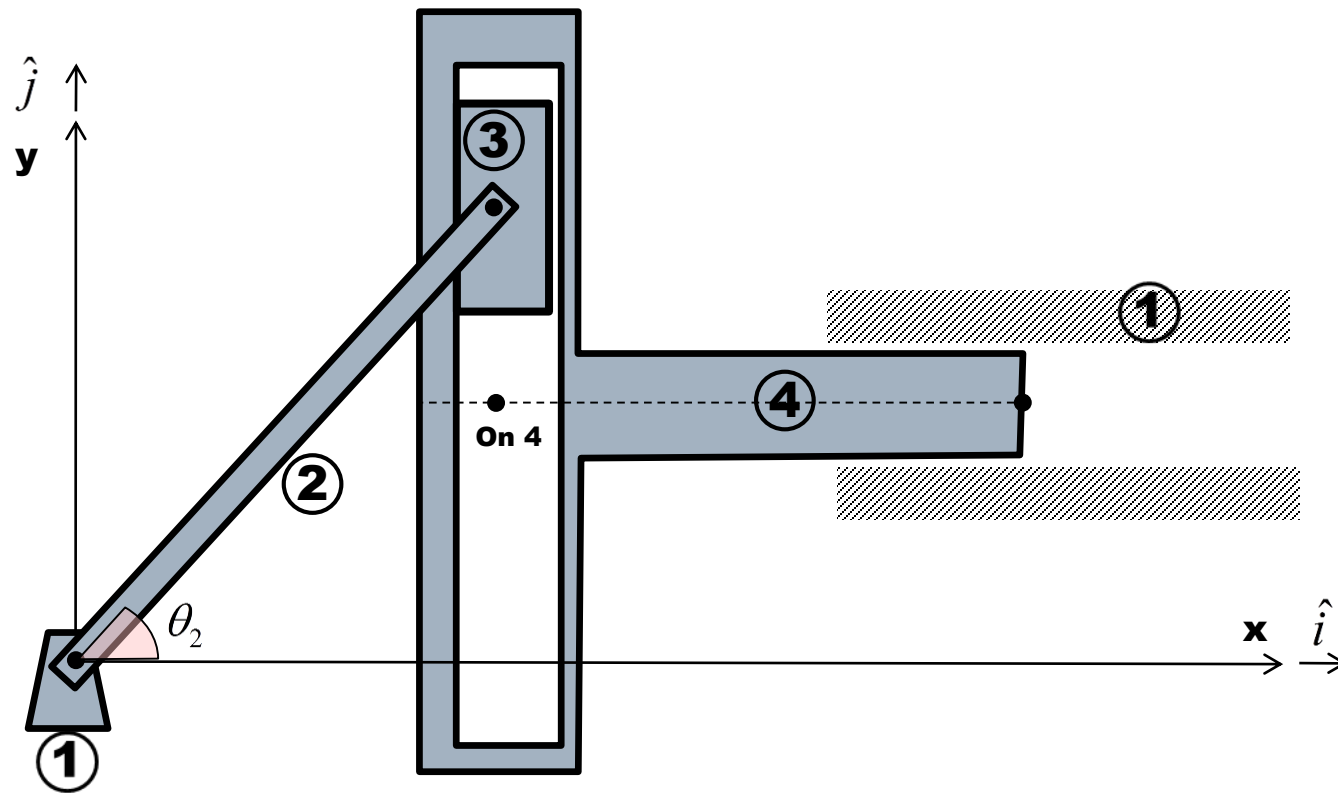


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## Elliptic Trammel: Scotch Yoke



# Type IV: RPRP

## Rapson Slide Linkage

