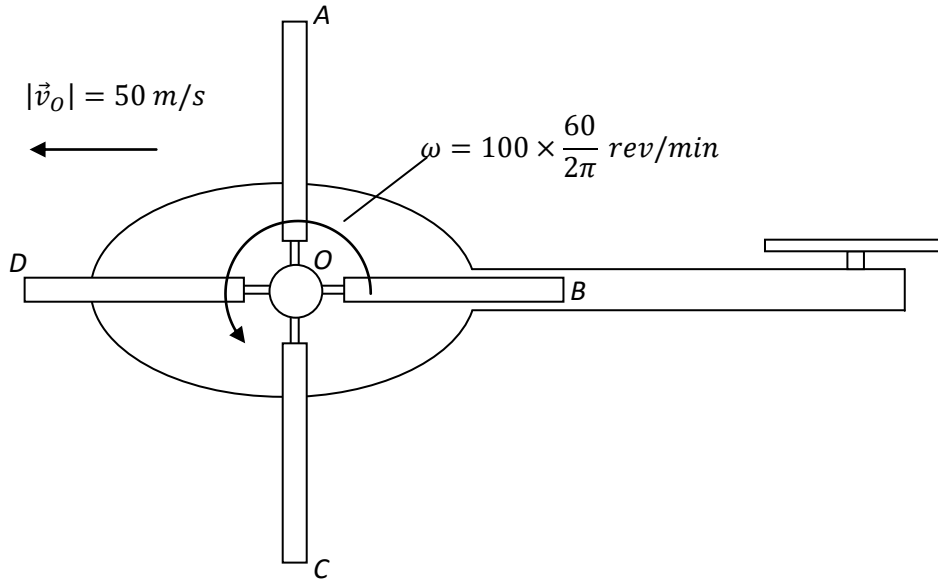


Problem: The helicopter is moving forward at a constant speed of 50 m/s whilst the propeller blades are rotating at a constant rate of $100 \times 60/2\pi \text{ rev/min}$. Find the instantaneous center of rotation of the blades A , B , C , and, D . Point O is at the center of the blades and $|OA| = 2\text{m}$.



Solution:

$$\omega = 100 \times \frac{60 \text{ rev}}{2\pi \text{ min}} \times \frac{2\pi \text{ rad/rev}}{60 \text{ s/min}} = 100 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\vec{v}_A = \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} = -50\vec{i} + 100\vec{k} \times 2\vec{j} = -250\vec{i} \text{ m/s}$$

$$\vec{v}_C = \vec{v}_O + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r} = -50\vec{i} + 100\vec{k} \times (-2\vec{j}) = 150\vec{i} \text{ m/s}$$

