

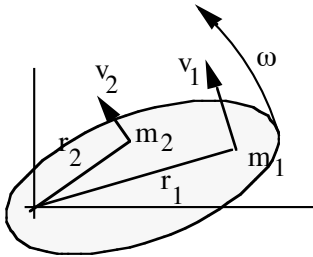
Rotation

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*Which wins: car or ball?
Why? (insert your answer)*

Kinetic energy of a rotating body



Choose frame so that axis of rotation is at origin

$$\begin{aligned} K &= \frac{1}{2} m_1 v_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 v_2^2 + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{2} m_1 (r_1 \omega)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 (r_2 \omega)^2 + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum m_i r_i^2 \right) \omega^2 \quad (\text{cf } K = \frac{1}{2} m v^2) \end{aligned}$$

Rotational analogue of mass:

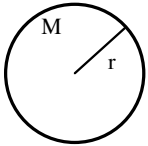
Define the **Moment of inertia**

System of masses $I = \sum m_i r_i^2$

Continuous body $I = \int_{\text{body}} r^2 dm$

I depends on total mass, distribution of mass, shape and ***axis of rotation***.

Units are $\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^2$



Example What is I for a hoop about its axis?

All the mass is at radius r, so $I = Mr^2$

For a disc: $I = \int_{\text{body}} r^2 dm = \dots = \frac{1}{2} MR^2$

For a sphere $I = \dots = \frac{2}{5} MR^2$

Note

$$I = nMR^2 \quad n \text{ is a number}$$

$$= M(\sqrt{n}R)^2 = Mk^2 \quad \text{where } k = \sqrt{n} R$$

$I = Mk^2$ defines the **radius of gyration k**

k is the radius of a hoop with the same I as the object in question

object	I	k
hoop	MR^2	R
disc	$\frac{1}{2} MR^2$	$\frac{R}{\sqrt{2}}$
solid sphere	$\frac{2}{5} MR^2$	$\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} R$

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Hoop about axis
 mr^2



Disc about axis
 $\frac{1}{2} mr^2$



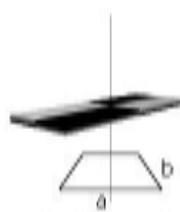
Disc about diameter
 $\frac{1}{4} mr^2$



Solid sphere
 $\frac{2}{5} mr^2$



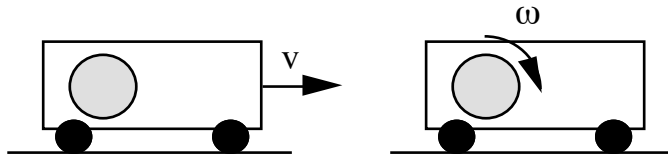
Rod about end
 $\frac{1}{3} mL^2$



Rectangle about midpoint
 $\frac{1}{12} m(a^2 + b^2)$

Example Use a flywheel to store the K of a bus at stops. Disc $R = 80 \text{ cm}$, $M = 1 \text{ tonne}$. How fast must it turn to store all the kinetic energy of a 10 t. bus at 60 km.hr^{-1} ?

Moving (subscript m), stopped (subscript s)



$$v_m = 60 \text{ km.hr}^{-1}$$

$$\omega_m = 0$$

$$v_s = 0 \quad \text{not rolling}$$

$$\omega_s = ? \text{ rev.s}^{-1}$$

subscripts m for moving, s for stopped

$$K_m = K_s$$

$$\frac{1}{2} M_{\text{bus}} v_m^2 = \frac{1}{2} I_{\text{disc}} \omega_s^2$$

$$M_{\text{bus}} v_m^2 = \frac{1}{2} M_{\text{disc}} R^2 \omega_s^2$$

$$\omega_s = \frac{v_m}{R} \sqrt{\frac{2M_{\text{bus}}}{M_{\text{disc}}}}$$

$$= 90 \text{ rad.s}^{-1} = 900 \text{ rpm}$$

(revolutions per minute)

Rolling vs skidding:

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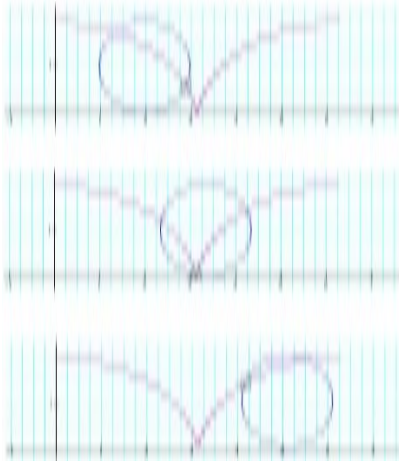


rolling

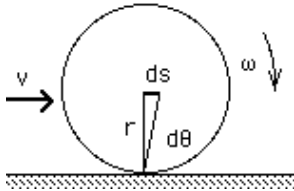


skidding

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Example A bicycle wheel has $r = 40 \text{ cm}$. What is its angular velocity when the bicycle travels at $40 \text{ km}\cdot\text{hr}^{-1}$?



$$v = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$= \frac{rd\theta}{dt}$$

$$v = r\omega$$

$$\omega = \frac{v}{r}$$

$$= \frac{40000 \text{ m}/3600 \text{ s}}{0.4 \text{ m}}$$

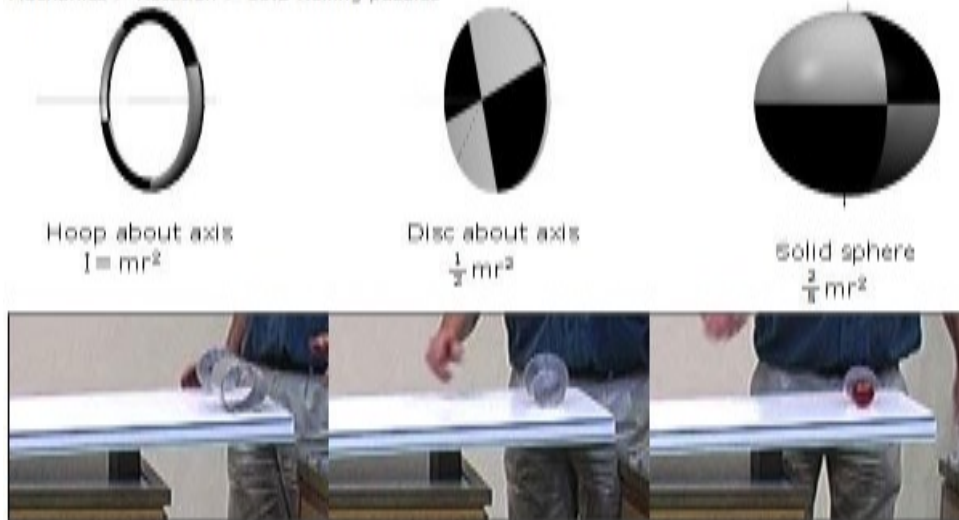
$$= 28 \text{ rad}\cdot\text{s}^{-1} \quad (= 4.4 \text{ turns/second})$$

Important result

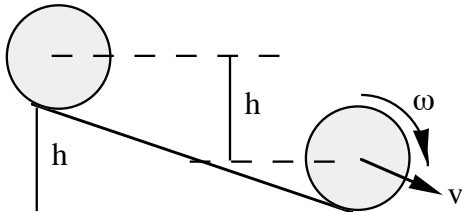
Axle travels at v

Point of contact stationary

Top of wheel travels $2v$ (see *Rolling on Physclips*)



Example. A solid sphere, a disc and a hoop roll down an inclined plane. Which travels fastest?



Rolling: point of application of friction stationary \therefore non-conservative forces do no work \therefore

$$U_f + K_f = U_i + K_i$$

$$0 + \left(\frac{1}{2} Mv^2 + \frac{1}{2} I\omega^2 \right) = Mgh + 0$$

$$\omega = \frac{v}{R} \quad \text{and write} \quad I = Mk^2$$

$$\frac{1}{2} Mv^2 + \frac{1}{2} Mk^2 \frac{v^2}{R^2} = Mgh$$

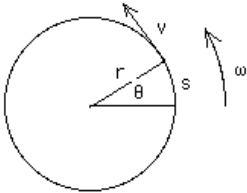
$$\frac{1}{2} v^2 \left(1 + \frac{k^2}{R^2} \right) = gh$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2gh}{1 + k^2/R^2}}$$

$$\frac{k_{\text{sphere}}}{R} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} < \frac{k_{\text{disc}}}{R} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} < \frac{k_{\text{hoop}}}{R} = 1$$

$\therefore v_{\text{sphere}} > v_{\text{disc}} > v_{\text{hoop}}$ r doesn't appear, so the result is *independent of size*

Rotational kinematics:



r is constant

If θ measured in radians,

$s = r\theta$. *(definition of angle)*

$\therefore v = \frac{ds}{dt} = r \frac{d\theta}{dt} \equiv r\omega$

$v = r\omega$ *(or $\omega = \frac{v}{r}$)*

$\therefore a = \frac{dv}{dt} = r \frac{d\omega}{dt} \equiv r\alpha$

$a = r\alpha$ *(or $\alpha = \frac{a}{r}$)*

Motion with constant α .

Analogies	linear	angular	
displacement	x	θ	$= s/r$
velocity	v	ω	$= v/r$
acceleration	a	α	$= a/r$

$v_f = v_i + at$

$\omega_f = \omega_i + \alpha t$

$\Delta x = v_i t + \frac{1}{2} at^2$

$\Delta \theta = \omega_i t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2$

$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2a\Delta x$

$\omega_f^2 = \omega_i^2 + 2\alpha\Delta \theta$

$\Delta x = \frac{1}{2} (v_i + v_f) t$

$\Delta \theta = \frac{1}{2} (\omega_i + \omega_f) t$

Derivations identical - see previous. Need only remember one version

Example. Centrifuge, initially spinning at 5000 rpm, slows uniformly to rest over 30 s. (i) What is its angular acceleration? (ii) How far does it turn while slowing down? (iii) How far does it turn during the first second of deceleration? (rpm = revolutions per minute)

$$\text{i) } \omega_f = \omega_i + \alpha t \quad (\text{cf } v_f = v_i + at)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\omega_f - \omega_i}{t}$$

$$= \frac{0 - \frac{5000 * 2\pi \text{ rad}}{60\text{s}}}{30\text{s}}$$

$$= -17.5 \text{ rad.s}^{-2}.$$

$$\text{ii) } \Delta\theta = \frac{1}{2} (\omega_i + \omega_f) t \quad (\text{cf } \Delta x = \frac{1}{2} (v_i + v_f) t)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (0 + 5000\text{rpm}) * 0.5 \text{ min}$$

$$= 1,250 \text{ revolutions}$$

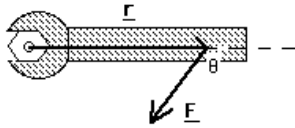
$$\text{iii) } \Delta\theta = \omega_i t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2 \quad (\text{cf } \Delta x = v_i t + \frac{1}{2} at^2)$$

$$= \frac{5000 * 2\pi \text{ rad}}{60 \text{ s}} (1 \text{ s}) - \frac{1}{2} (17.5 \text{ rad.s}^{-2}) (1 \text{ s})^2$$

$$= 515 \text{ rad } (= 82 \text{ turns})$$

What causes angular acceleration?

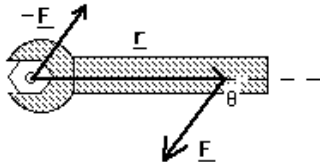
Force applied at point displaced from axis of rotation.



(Note: if \underline{F} were only force \Rightarrow acceleration:

How does the 'turning tendency' depend on F? r? θ ?

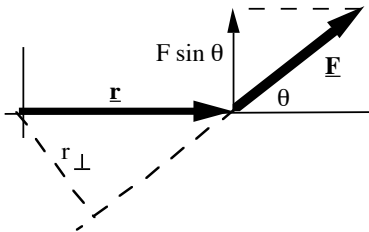
To get α but $\underline{a} = 0$, need $\Sigma \underline{F} = 0$.



- \underline{F} does not contribute to the turning about axis.

Torque. (rotational analogue of force)

Consider rotation about z axis



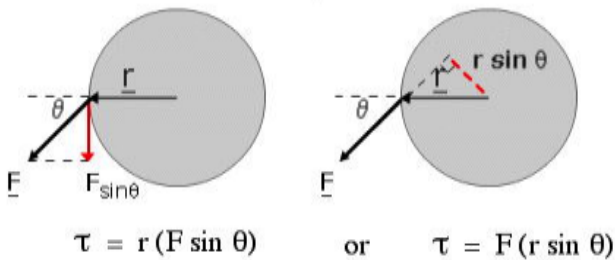
Only the component $F \sin \theta$ tends to turn

$$\tau = r (F \sin \theta) \quad (r * \text{component of } F)$$

$$\text{or } \tau = F (r \sin \theta) = F r_{\perp} \quad (F * \text{component of } r)$$

where r_{\perp} is called the moment arm

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Example What is the maximum torque I apply by standing on a wheel spanner 300 mm long?

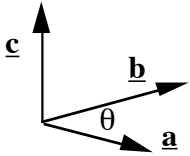
$$\tau = r (F \sin \theta)$$

$$\text{max } \tau = r F$$

$$= 0.3 \text{ m} * 700 \text{ N} = 200 \text{ Nm}$$

if it still doesn't move: lift, use both hands or jump on it

The vector product.



Define $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = ab \sin \theta$

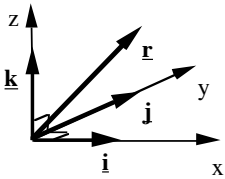
$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$ at right angles to \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} in right hand sense

pronounced "a cross b"

For **right hand**

Thumb \times **index** = **middle** (remember **TIM**) (or **North** \times **East** = **down** remember **NED**)

Turn screwdriver from \mathbf{a} to \mathbf{b} and (r.h.) screw moves in direction of $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b})$



Apply to unit vectors:

$$|\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{i}| = 1 \cdot 1 \sin 0^\circ = 0 = \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{j} = \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k}$$

$$|\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j}| = 1 \cdot 1 \sin 90^\circ = 1 = |\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{k}| = |\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{i}|$$

$$\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} = \mathbf{k} \quad \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{i} \quad \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{j}$$

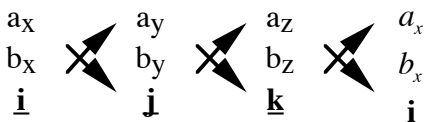
$$\text{but } \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{i} = -\mathbf{k} \quad \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{j} = -\mathbf{i} \quad \mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{k} = -\mathbf{j}$$

Usually evaluate by $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = ab \sin \theta$

but **Vector product by components** is neat

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} &= (a_x \mathbf{i} + a_y \mathbf{j} + a_z \mathbf{k}) \times (b_x \mathbf{i} + b_y \mathbf{j} + b_z \mathbf{k}) \\ &= (a_x b_y - a_y b_x) \mathbf{k} + (a_y b_z - a_z b_y) \mathbf{i} + (a_z b_x - a_x b_z) \mathbf{j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = (a_x b_y - a_y b_x) \mathbf{k} + (a_y b_z - a_z b_y) \mathbf{i} + (a_z b_x - a_x b_z) \mathbf{j}$$

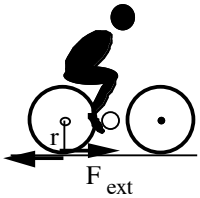


Example.

$$\mathbf{F} = (3 \mathbf{i} + 5 \mathbf{j}) \text{N}, \quad \mathbf{r} = (4 \mathbf{j} + 6 \mathbf{k}) \text{m}; \quad \boldsymbol{\tau} = ?$$

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (r_x F_y - r_y F_x) \mathbf{k} + (r_y F_z - r_z F_y) \mathbf{i} + (r_z F_x - r_x F_z) \mathbf{j} \\ &= (0 - 4 \text{ m} \cdot 3 \text{ N}) \mathbf{k} + (0 - 6 \text{ m} \cdot 5 \text{ N}) \mathbf{i} + (6 \text{ m} \cdot 3 \text{ N} - 0) \mathbf{j} = (-30 \mathbf{i} + 18 \mathbf{j} - 12 \mathbf{k}) \text{ Nm} \end{aligned}$$



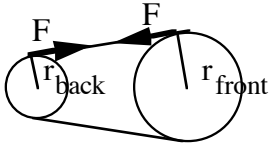
Example: bicycle and rider ($m = 80 \text{ kg}$) accelerate at 2 ms^{-2} . Wheel with $r = 40 \text{ cm}$. What is torque at wheel?

$$F_{\text{ext}} = ma$$

$$\tau = rF_{\text{ext}} \sin \theta = rF$$

$$= rma = \dots = 64 \text{ Nm. horizontal}$$

Front sprocket has 50 teeth, rear has 25, what is torque applied by legs?



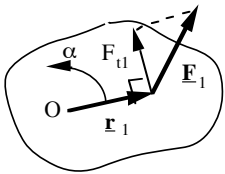
$$F_{\text{front}} = F_{\text{back}} \quad \frac{r_{\text{front}}}{r_{\text{back}}} = \frac{50}{25}$$

$$\frac{\tau_{\text{front}}}{\tau_{\text{back}}} = \frac{r_{\text{front}}F_{\text{front}}}{r_{\text{back}}F_{\text{back}}} = 2.$$

$$\tau_{\text{front}} = 128 \text{ Nm horizontal} \quad \text{why larger?}$$

Newton's law for rotation

System of particles, m_i , all rotating with same ω and α about same axis. r_i is perpendicular distance from the axis of rotation.



$$\underline{\tau}_i \equiv \underline{r}_i \times \underline{F}_i$$

$$\tau_i = r_i F_{ti}$$

where F_t is the tangential component of F

$$\tau_i = r_i m_i a_{ti}$$

$$\tau_i = r_i m_i a_i$$

$$= r_i m_i r_i \alpha_i$$

$$\sum \tau_i = \sum m_i r_i^2 \alpha_i \quad \text{but all } \alpha_i = \alpha$$

so $\tau_{\text{total}} = I\alpha$ and τ, α on axis

Newton's law for rotation

$$\tau_{\text{total}} = I\alpha \quad \text{compare with } F_{\text{total}} = ma$$

Example. What constant torque would be required to stop the earth's rotation in one revolution?
(Assume earth uniform.)

Plan: Know $M, R, \omega_i, \omega_f, \Delta\theta$. Need τ .

Use $\tau = I\alpha$, where $\omega_i, \omega_f, \Delta\theta \rightarrow \alpha$

$$\omega_f = 0, \omega_i = \frac{2\pi}{23\text{h}56\text{min}} = 7.27 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ rad}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$$

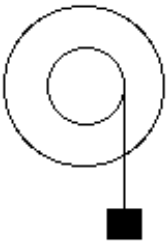
$$\omega_f^2 = \omega_i^2 + 2\alpha\Delta\theta \quad (\text{cf } v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2a\Delta x)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\omega_f^2 - \omega_i^2}{2\Delta\theta}$$

$$\tau = I\alpha = \frac{2}{5} MR^2 \frac{\omega_f^2 - \omega_i^2}{2\Delta\theta}$$

= ...

$$= 4 \cdot 10^{28} \text{ Nm}$$



Example Mass m on string on drum radius r on a wheel with radius of gyration k and mass M . How long does it take to turn 10 turns?

solve for a or α , use kinematic equations.

N2 for m (vertical): $mg - T = ma$

N2 for wheel: $\tau = I\alpha$

$$rT \sin 90^\circ = Mk^2 \frac{a}{r}$$

$$T = Ma \left(\frac{k}{r}\right)^2$$

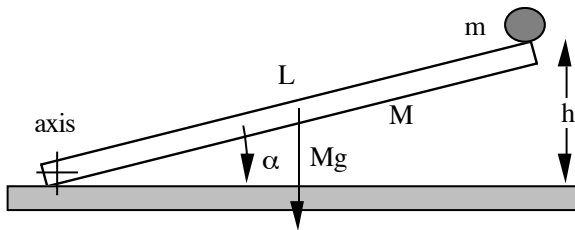
$$mg - Ma \left(\frac{k}{r}\right)^2 = ma$$

$$a = \frac{mg}{m + M \left(\frac{k}{r}\right)^2}$$

$$\Delta\theta = \omega_i t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2 \quad \text{cf } \Delta x = v_i t + \frac{1}{2} at^2$$

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{2\Delta\theta}{\alpha}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(20\pi \text{ rad}) \left(1 + \frac{M}{m} \left(\frac{k}{r}\right)^2\right) r}{g}}$$

Example. Rod rotates about one end. Which reaches bottom first: m or the end of the rod?



Acceleration of *end* of rod is

$$a = L\alpha$$

For rod, $\tau = I\alpha$

so
$$a = L \cdot \frac{\tau}{I}$$

For rod about an end, $I = \frac{1}{3} ML^2$.

Mg acts at c.m. so $\tau = Mg \frac{L}{2}$

$$a = L \cdot \frac{Mg \cdot \frac{L}{2}}{\frac{1}{3} ML^2}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} g$$

Why do falling chimneys break?

Example A car is doing work at a rate of 20 kW and travelling at 100 kph. Wheels are $r = 30$ cm. What is the (total) torque applied by the drive wheels?

$$P = Fv, \text{ so by analogy: } P = \tau\omega$$

Wheels are rolling so $\omega = \frac{v}{r}$

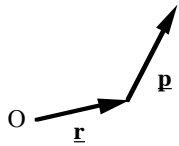
$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \tau &= \frac{P}{\omega} = \frac{Pr}{v} \\ &= \frac{2 \cdot 10^4 \text{ W} \cdot 0.3 \text{ m}}{10^5 \text{ m}/3600 \text{ s}} \\ &= 220 \text{ Nm} \end{aligned}$$

(not equal to torque on tail shaft or at flywheel)

Important note:

There is not a lot of rotational mechanics in our syllabus: we don't have angular momentum. So the following material is not in the syllabus. I'm including it, however, because some of you will certainly come across it later. As you'll see, there are lots of analogies with linear mechanics so, except for the vector product, it is not tricky.

Angular momentum



For a *particle* of mass m and momentum \mathbf{p} at position \mathbf{r} relative to origin O of an inertial reference frame, we define angular momentum (w.r.t.) O

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}$$

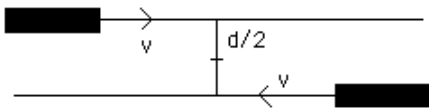
or $= rp \sin \theta$

Example What is the angular momentum of the moon about the earth?

$$\begin{aligned} L &= |\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}| \\ &= rp \sin \theta \\ &\cong rmv \sin 90^\circ \\ &= mr^2\omega \\ &= (7.4 \cdot 10^{22} \text{ kg}) (3.8 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m})^2 \frac{2\pi}{27.3 \cdot 24 \cdot 3600 \text{ s}} \\ &= 2.8 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Direction is North

Example Two trains mass m approach at same speed v , travelling antiparallel, on tracks separated by distance d . What is their total angular momentum, as a function of separation, about a point halfway between them?



$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{L}_1 &= \mathbf{r}_1 \times \mathbf{p}_1 \\ &= \mathbf{r}_1 \times m\mathbf{v}_1 \\ |\mathbf{L}_1| &= (d/2)mv \quad (\text{clockwise on my diagram}) \\ |\mathbf{L}_2| &= (d/2)mv \quad (\text{also clockwise}) \\ &= dmv \quad \text{independent of separation} \end{aligned}$$

Newton 2 for angular momentum:

$$\Sigma \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}} \equiv \underline{\mathbf{r}} \times \underline{\mathbf{F}} = \underline{\mathbf{r}} \times \frac{d}{dt} \underline{\mathbf{p}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \underline{\mathbf{L}} = \frac{d}{dt} (\underline{\mathbf{r}} \times \underline{\mathbf{p}})$$

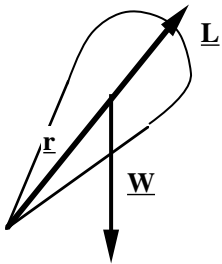
$$= \left(\frac{d}{dt} \underline{\mathbf{r}} \right) \times \underline{\mathbf{p}} + \underline{\mathbf{r}} \times \frac{d}{dt} \underline{\mathbf{p}} \quad \text{Remember: Order important in vector multiplication!}$$

$$= \underline{\mathbf{v}} \times m\underline{\mathbf{v}} + \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}}$$

$$\Sigma \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}} = \frac{d}{dt} \underline{\mathbf{L}}$$

Newton 2
in rotation

Question: A top balances on a sharp point. Why doesn't it fall over? (*Qualitative treatment only.*)



$$\underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}} = \frac{d}{dt} \underline{\mathbf{L}}$$

$$d\underline{\mathbf{L}} \parallel \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}}$$

but $\underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}}$ is horizontal
so $d\underline{\mathbf{L}}$ is perpendicular to \mathbf{g}

Also boomerangs, frisbees, satellites

Systems of particles

Total angular momentum $\underline{\mathbf{L}}$

$$\underline{\mathbf{L}} = \Sigma (\underline{\mathbf{r}}_i \times \underline{\mathbf{p}}_i)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \underline{\mathbf{L}} = \Sigma \frac{d}{dt} (\underline{\mathbf{r}}_i \times \underline{\mathbf{p}}_i)$$

$$= \Sigma \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}}_i$$

$$= \Sigma \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}}_i \text{ internal} + \Sigma \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}}_i \text{ external}$$

Internal torques cancel in pairs (Newton 3)

$$\therefore \Sigma \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}}_{\text{ext}} = \frac{d}{dt} \underline{\mathbf{L}} \quad \text{cf } \underline{\mathbf{F}}_{\text{ext}} = \frac{d}{dt} \underline{\mathbf{P}}$$

where $\Sigma \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}}_{\text{ext}}$ is the sum of all external torques.

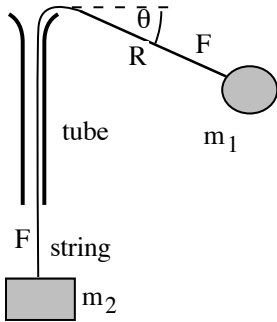
(This equation derived for *inertial frames* but it is also true for other frames if centre of mass is taken as origin.)

Consequence:

$$\text{If } \Sigma \underline{\boldsymbol{\tau}}_{\text{ext}} = 0, \quad \frac{d}{dt} \underline{\mathbf{L}} = 0.$$

Conservation of angular momentum of isolated system

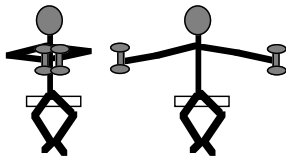
Example Circular motion of ball on string. What happens to the speed of the ball as the string is shortened? (Neglect air resistance).



Tension *does* do work, but it doesn't exert torque

$(\boldsymbol{\tau} // \mathbf{r}) \therefore$ angular momentum conserved.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{L} &= \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p} \\ &= rp \sin \theta \\ &= rmv \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$



Example: Person on rotating seat holds two 2.2 kg masses at arms' length. Draws masses in to chest. What is $\Delta\omega$? Is K conserved?

Rough estimates: k_{person} about long axis ~ 15 cm

$$I_p = Mk^2 = \sim 70 \text{ kg} \cdot (.15 \text{ m})^2 \quad \text{include moving part of chair}$$

$$I_p \sim 1.6 \text{ kgm}^2$$

$$I_m = mr^2 \cong 2.2 \text{ kg} \cdot (0.8 \text{ m})^2$$

$$I_m \cong 1.4 \text{ kgm}^2 \quad (\text{arms extended})$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_m' &= mr'^2 \cong 2.2 \text{ kg} \cdot (0.2 \text{ m})^2 \\ &\cong 0.1 \text{ kgm}^2 \quad (\text{arms in}) \end{aligned}$$

No external torques $\Rightarrow L_i = L_f$

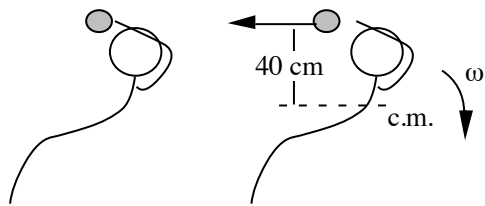
$$(I_p + 2I_m)\omega_i = (I_p + 2I_m')\omega_f$$

$$\frac{\omega_f}{\omega_i} = \frac{I_p + 2I_m}{I_p + 2I_m'} \sim 2.4$$

$$\frac{K_f}{K_i} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(I_p + 2I_m)\omega_f^2}{\frac{1}{2}(I_p + 2I_m')\omega_f^2} = 2.4$$

Arms do work: $Fds = ma_{\text{centrip}}.ds$

Example Space-walking cosmonaut ($m = 80 \text{ kg}$, $k = 0.3 \text{ m}$ about short axes) throws a 2 kg ball (from shoulder) at 31 ms^{-1} (\underline{v} displaced 40 cm from c.m.). How fast does she turn? Is this a record?



In orbit so no ext torques so \underline{L} conserved

$$\underline{L}_i = \underline{L}_f = \underline{L}_{\text{ball}} + \underline{L}_{\text{cos}}$$

$$0 = \underline{r} \times m\underline{v} - I\omega$$

$$= rmv - Mk^2\omega$$

$$\omega = \frac{rmv}{Mk^2}$$

$$= 3.4 \text{ rad.s}^{-1}$$

$$= 33 \frac{1}{3} \text{ r.p.m.}$$

(Yes, it must be a record)

Questions

Can a docking spacecraft rotate without using rockets?

Can a cat, initially with $L = 0$, rotate while falling so as to land on its feet?

Summary Analogies: linear and rotational kinematics

Linear		Angular		
displacement	x	angular displacement	θ	$= s/r$
velocity	v	angular velocity	ω	$= v/r$
acceleration	a	angular acceleration	α	$= a/r$

kinematic equations

$$v_f = v_i + at$$

$$\omega_f = \omega_i + \alpha t$$

$$\Delta x = v_i t + \frac{1}{2} at^2$$

$$\Delta \theta = \omega_i t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2$$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2a\Delta x$$

$$\omega_f^2 = \omega_i^2 + 2\alpha\Delta\theta$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{1}{2} (v_i + v_f) t$$

$$\Delta \theta = \frac{1}{2} (\omega_i + \omega_f) t$$

Analogies: linear and rotational mechanics

mass	m	rotational inertia	I
		$I = \sum m_i r_i^2$	$I = \int r^2 dm$

Work & energy

$$W = \int \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$$

$$W = \int \tau \cdot d\theta$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} Mv^2$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} I\omega^2$$

force	\mathbf{F}	torque	$\mathbf{\tau} \equiv \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$
momentum		angular momentum	

$$\mathbf{p} = m \mathbf{v}$$

$$\mathbf{L} = m \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{v}$$

Newton 2:

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{p} = m \mathbf{a}$$

$$\mathbf{\tau} = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{L} = I \alpha$$

if m const

if I const

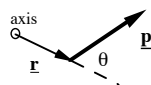
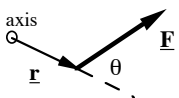
Momentum $\mathbf{p} \equiv m\mathbf{v}$

Newton 1&2 $\mathbf{F}_{\text{ext}} = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{p}$

Conservation law:

If no external forces act momentum conserved

If m constant, $\mathbf{F}_{\text{ext}} = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{p} = \frac{d}{dt} (m\mathbf{v}) = m\mathbf{a}$



$$F_{\text{ext}} (r \sin \theta) = \frac{d}{dt} (p r \sin \theta)$$

Angular momentum $L \equiv (r \sin \theta) mv$

only consider one axis

Newton for rotation $\tau_{\text{ext}} = \frac{d}{dt} L$

Conservation law:

If no external torques act $\begin{matrix} \text{angular} \\ \text{momentum} \end{matrix}$ conserved

If I constant, $\tau_{\text{ext}} = \frac{d}{dt} L = \frac{d}{dt} I\omega = I\alpha$

I defined for a collection of particles

Conservation of \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{L} :

If no external $\begin{pmatrix} \text{forces} \\ \text{torques} \end{pmatrix}$ act on a system,

its $\begin{pmatrix} \text{momentum} \\ \text{angular momentum} \end{pmatrix}$ is conserved.

Conservation of mechanical energy: if non-conservative forces and torques do no work, mechanical energy is conserved

Example Particle mass m moves with

$$\mathbf{r} = (At) \mathbf{i} + B \mathbf{j} + \left(Ct - \frac{1}{2} gt^2 \right) \mathbf{k}$$

(i) What is \mathbf{p} for the mass? (ii) What is its \mathbf{L} about the origin? (iii) what torque $\mathbf{\tau}$ acts on it? (iv) What is the shape of this motion?

i) $\mathbf{p} = m \mathbf{v} = m \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{r}$
 $= m (A \mathbf{i} + (C - gt) \mathbf{k})$

ii) $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}$ *recall:*

$$\begin{array}{cccc} r_x & r_y & r_z & r_x \\ p_x & p_y & p_z & p_x \\ \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} & \mathbf{i} \end{array}$$

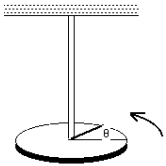
$$= (r_x p_y - r_y p_x) \mathbf{k} + (r_y p_z - r_z p_y) \mathbf{i} + (r_z p_x - r_x p_z) \mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{L} = -BmA \mathbf{k} + Bm(C-gt) \mathbf{i} +$$

$$\left(\left(Ct - \frac{1}{2} gt^2 \right) mA - Atm(C-gt) \right) \mathbf{j}$$

$$= B(C-gt)m \mathbf{i} + \frac{1}{2} Amgt^2 \mathbf{j} - ABm \mathbf{k}$$

(iii) $\mathbf{\tau} = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{L} = -Bmg \mathbf{i} + Amgt \mathbf{j}$



Torsional pendulum.

Useful way of comparing unknown I with that of a simple object (e.g. rod).

Object with I is suspended on wire. The wire, when twisted, produces a restoring torque $\tau = -\kappa\theta$

$$\tau = I\alpha = I \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} = \frac{\tau}{I} = -\frac{\kappa}{I}\theta$$

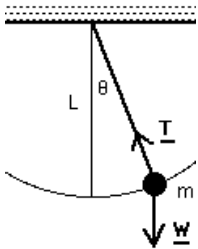
solution is:

$$\theta = \theta_m \sin(\Omega t + \phi) \quad \text{where } \Omega = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa}{I}}$$

Period

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\Omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{\kappa}} \quad \text{where } \kappa \text{ is the const of the wire}$$

$$\therefore \text{ for two different objects, } \frac{T_2^2}{T_1^2} = \frac{I_1}{I_2}$$



Simple pendulum.

Mass m , suspended on light string. Radius of mass $r \ll M \therefore$ treat as particle.

$$\text{N2 in vertical: } mg = T \cos \theta$$

$$\text{N2 in horizontal: } T \sin \theta = ma = -m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$$

$$\text{If } \theta \ll 1, \sin \theta \cong \theta \cong \frac{x}{L}, \quad \cos \theta \cong 1.$$

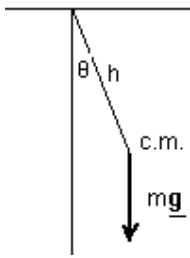
$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -T \sin \theta = -mg \frac{x}{L}$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -T \sin \theta = -\frac{g}{L} x$$

solution is:

$$x = x_m \sin(\omega t + \phi) \quad \text{where } \omega = \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}}$$

$$\text{Period } T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{L}{g}}$$



Physical pendulum.

Object, mass m , rotational inertia I , free to rotate.

N2 for rotation: $\tau = I\alpha$

$$-mg h \sin \theta = I \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}$$

If $\theta \ll 1$,

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} = -\frac{mgh}{I} \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} \approx -\frac{mgh}{I} \theta$$

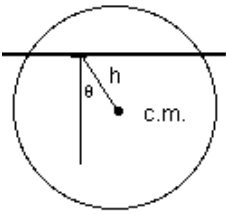
solution is:

$$\theta = \theta_m \sin(\omega t + \phi) \quad \text{where } \omega = \sqrt{\frac{mgh}{I}}$$

Period

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{mgh}}$$

(put all mass at c.m. $I = mk^2 = mh^2 \Rightarrow$ previous result)



Example.

Disc, mass m, radius R, suspended at point h from centre. What is T for this pendulum?

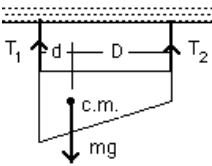
Period

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{mgh}}$$

Parallel axis theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} I_{\text{new}} &= I_{\text{cm}} + mh^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} mR^2 + mh^2 \\ T &= 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\frac{1}{2} R^2 + h^2}{gh}} \end{aligned}$$

(if $h \gg R$, get $2\pi \sqrt{\frac{h}{g}}$ as for simple pendulum
if $h = 0$, $T \rightarrow \infty$)



Example. Object mass m suspended by two strings as shown. Find T_1 and T_2 .

It's not accelerating vertically so

$$\begin{aligned} \text{N2} \rightarrow \Sigma F_y &= ma_y = 0 \\ \therefore T_1 + T_2 - mg &= 0 \quad (i) \end{aligned}$$

It's not accelerating horizontally so

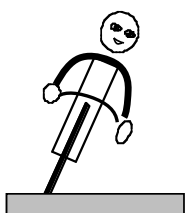
$$\begin{aligned} \text{N2} \rightarrow \Sigma F_x &= ma_x = 0 \\ \therefore 0 &= 0 \quad \text{not enough equations} \end{aligned}$$

It's not **rotationally accelerating** so:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{N2} \rightarrow \Sigma \tau &= I\alpha = 0 \\ \tau \text{ about c.m.} & \text{ clockwise} \quad \therefore \tau_1 + \tau_2 = T_2 D - T_1 d = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$T_1 + \frac{d}{D} T_1 - mg = 0$$

$$T_1 = \frac{mg}{1 + d/D} \quad T_2 = \frac{mg}{1 + D/d}$$



i) A cyclist travels round a corner with a radius of 20 m, travelling at 30 kilometers per hour, on a horizontal road surface. Showing your working, determine the angle at which he should and the bicycle lean towards the centre of the turn, so as not to fall over. (The cyclist does not change his angle with respect to the bicycle as he rounds the corner, he is always symmetrically positioned with respect to the plane of symmetry of the bicycle.)

ii) If the coefficients of kinetic and static friction between the tyres and the road are 0.8 and 1.0 respectively,

what is the maximum speed at which the cyclist can take this corner?