

Rotational Dynamics

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Fixed Axis Rotation: Angular Velocity and Angular Acceleration

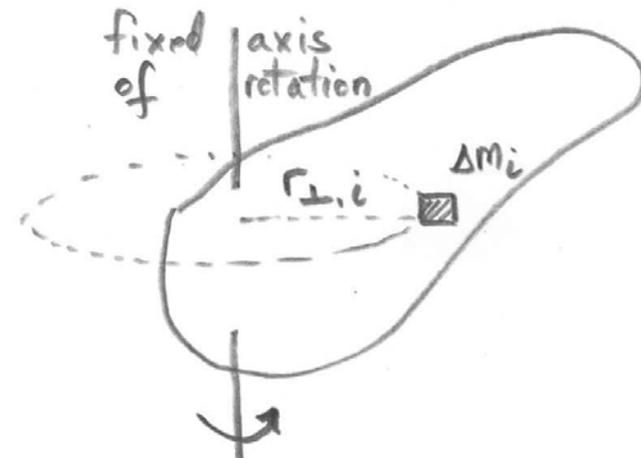
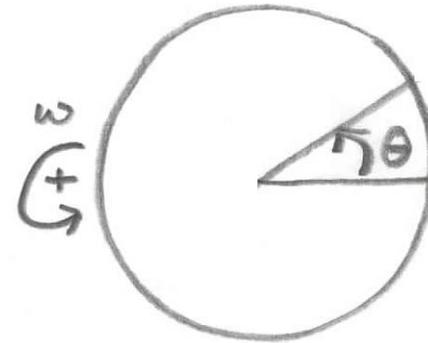
Angle variable θ

Angular velocity $\omega \equiv \frac{d\theta}{dt}$

Angular acceleration $\alpha \equiv \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}$

Mass element Δm_i

Radius of orbit $r_{\perp,i}$

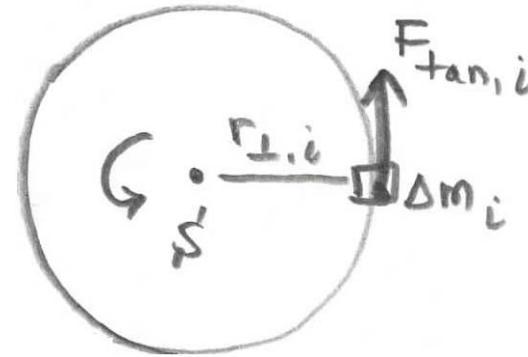


Fixed Axis Rotation: Tangential Velocity and Tangential Acceleration

- Individual mass elements Δm_i
- Tangential velocity $v_{\text{tan},i} = r_{\perp,i} \omega$
- Tangential acceleration $a_{\text{tan},i} = r_{\perp,i} \alpha$
- Radial Acceleration $a_{\text{rad},i} = \frac{v_{\text{tan},i}^2}{r_{\perp,i}} = r_{\perp,i} \omega^2$

Newton's Second Law

- Tangential force on mass element produces torque



- Newton's Second Law

$$F_{\text{tan},i} = \Delta m_i a_{\text{tan},i}$$

$$F_{\text{tan},i} = \Delta m_i r_{\perp,i} \alpha$$

- Torque

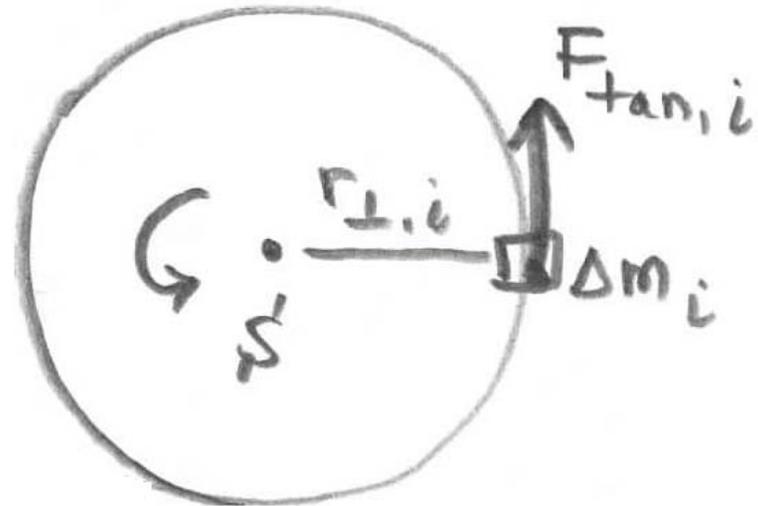
$$\vec{\tau}_{S,i} = \vec{r}_{S,i} \times \vec{F}_i$$

Torque

Torque about S:

$$\vec{\tau}_{S,i} = \vec{r}_{S,i} \times \vec{F}_i$$

- Counterclockwise
- perpendicular to the plane



$$\tau_{S,i} = r_{\perp,i} F_{\text{tan},i} = \Delta m_i (r_{\perp,i})^2 \alpha$$

Moment of Inertia

- Total torque is the sum over all mass elements

$$\tau_S^{total} = \tau_{S,1} + \tau_{S,2} + \dots = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} \tau_{S,i} = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} r_{\perp,i} F_{\tan,i} = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} \Delta m_i (r_{\perp,i})^2 \alpha$$

- Moment of Inertia about S:

$$I_S = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} \Delta m_i (r_{\perp,i})^2$$

- Unit: $[kg - m^2]$

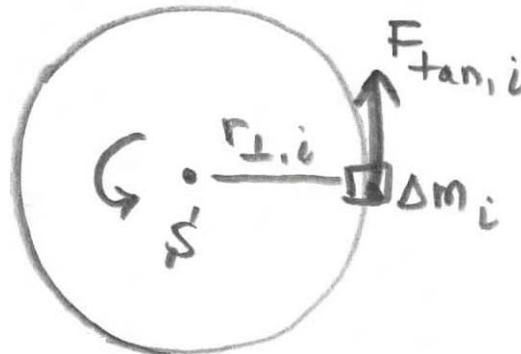
- Summary: $\tau_S^{total} = I_S \alpha$

Rotational Work

- tangential force $\vec{\mathbf{F}}_{\text{tan},i} = F_{\text{tan},i} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$
- displacement vector $\Delta \vec{\mathbf{r}}_{S,i} = (r_{S,\perp})_i \Delta \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$

- infinitesimal work

$$\Delta W_i = \vec{\mathbf{F}}_{\text{tan},i} \cdot \Delta \vec{\mathbf{r}}_{S,i} = F_{\text{tan},i} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \cdot (r_{S,\perp})_i \Delta \theta \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = F_{\text{tan},i} (r_{S,\perp})_i \Delta \theta$$



Rotational Work

- Newton's Second Law

$$F_{\text{tan},i} = \Delta m_i a_{\text{tan},i}$$

- tangential acceleration

$$a_{\text{tan},i} = (r_{S,\perp})_i \alpha$$

- infinitesimal work

$$\Delta W_i = \Delta m_i (r_{S,\perp})_i^2 \alpha \Delta \theta$$

- summation

$$\Delta W = \left(\sum_i \Delta m_i (r_{S,\perp})_i^2 \right) \alpha \Delta \theta = \left(\int_{\text{body}} dm (r_{S,\perp})^2 \right) \alpha \Delta \theta = I_S \alpha \Delta \theta$$

Rotational Work

- infinitesimal rotational work $\Delta W = I_S \alpha \Delta \theta$

- torque $\tau_S = I_S \alpha$

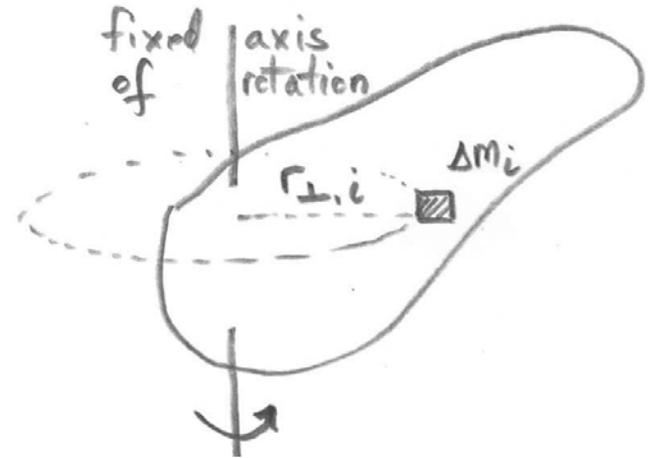
- infinitesimal rotational work $\Delta W = \tau_S \Delta \theta$

- Integrate total work $W = \int_{\theta=\theta_0}^{\theta=\theta_f} dW = \int_{\theta=\theta_0}^{\theta=\theta_f} \tau_S d\theta$

Rotational Kinetic Energy

Rotational kinetic energy

$$K_{cm,i} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta m_i v_{cm,i}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \Delta m_i (r_{cm,\perp})_i^2 \omega_{cm}^2$$



$$K_{cm} = \sum_i K_{cm,i} = \left(\sum_i \frac{1}{2} \Delta m_i (r_{cm,\perp})_i^2 \right) \omega_{cm}^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{body} dm (r_{cm,\perp})^2 \right) \omega_{cm}^2 = \frac{1}{2} I_{cm} \omega_{cm}^2$$

- Total kinetic energy

$$K_{total} = K_{trans} + K_{rot} = \frac{1}{2} m v_{cm}^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_{cm} \omega_{cm}^2$$

PRS - kinetic energy

A disk with mass M and radius R is spinning with angular velocity ω about an axis that passes through the rim of the disk perpendicular to its plane. Its total kinetic energy is:

1. $\frac{1}{4} M R^2 \omega^2$

4. $\frac{1}{4} M R \omega^2$

2. $\frac{1}{2} M R^2 \omega^2$

5. $\frac{1}{4} M R \omega^2$

3. $\frac{3}{4} M R^2 \omega^2$

6. $\frac{1}{2} M R \omega$

Rotational Work-Kinetic Energy Theorem

- angular velocity $\omega \equiv d\theta/dt$
- angular acceleration $\alpha \equiv d\omega/dt$

- infinitesimal rotational work

$$dW_{rot} = I_S \alpha d\theta = I_S \frac{d\omega}{dt} d\theta = I_S d\omega \frac{d\theta}{dt} = I_S d\omega \omega$$

- integrate rotational work

$$W_{rot} = \int_{\omega=\omega_0}^{\omega=\omega_f} dW_{rot} = \int_{\omega=\omega_0}^{\omega=\omega_f} I_S d\omega \omega = \frac{1}{2} I_S \omega_f^2 - \frac{1}{2} I_S \omega_0^2$$

Rotational Work-Kinetic Energy Theorem

- Fixed axis passing through a point S in the body

$$W_{rot} = \frac{1}{2} I_{cm} \omega_{cm,f}^2 - \frac{1}{2} I_{cm} \omega_{cm,0}^2 = K_{rot,f} - K_{rot,0} \equiv \Delta K_{rot}$$

- Rotation and translation

$$W_{total} = \Delta K_{trans} + \Delta K_{rot}$$

$$W_{total} = W_{trans} + W_{rot} = \left(\frac{1}{2} m v_{cm,f}^2 - \frac{1}{2} m v_{cm,0}^2 \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} I_{cm} \omega_f^2 - \frac{1}{2} I_{cm} \omega_0^2 \right)$$

Concept Question

- Two cylinders of the same size and mass roll down an incline, starting from rest. Cylinder *A* has most of its mass concentrated at the rim, while cylinder *B* has most of its mass concentrated at the center. Which is moving faster at the bottom?
 - 1) *A*
 - 2) *B*
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Rotational Power

- rotational power is the time rate of doing rotational work

$$P_{rot} \equiv \frac{dW_{rot}}{dt}$$

- product of the applied torque with the angular velocity

$$P_{rot} \equiv \frac{dW_{rot}}{dt} = \tau_{S,\perp} \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \tau_{S,\perp} \omega$$

Class Problem

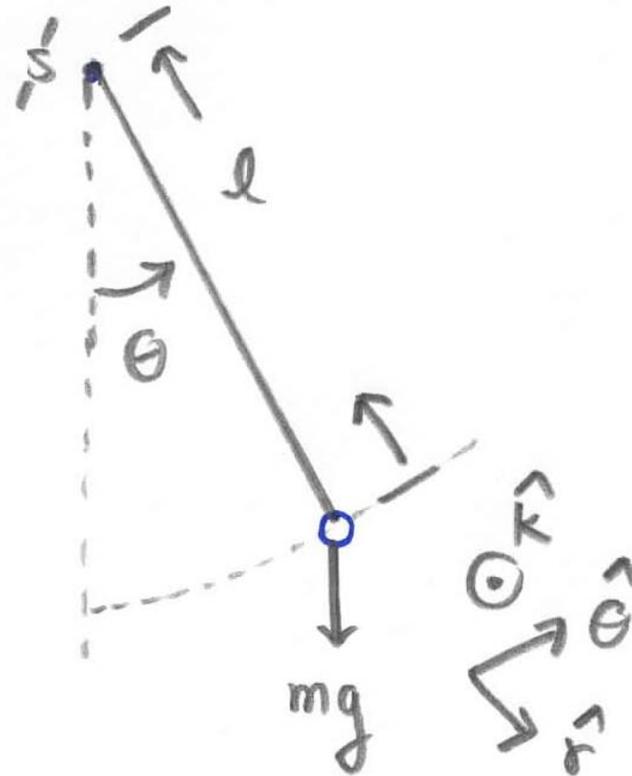
A turntable is a uniform disc of mass m and a radius R . The turntable is spinning initially at a constant frequency f . The motor is turned off and the turntable slows to a stop in t seconds. Assume that the angular acceleration is constant. The moment of inertia of the disc is I .

- a) What is the initial angular velocity of the turntable?
- b) What is the angular acceleration of the turntable?
- c) What is the magnitude of the frictional torque acting on the disc?
- d) How much work is done by the frictional torque?
- e) What is the change in kinetic energy of the turntable?
- f) Graph the rotational power as a function of time.

Simple Pendulum

Pendulum: bob hanging from end of string

- Pivot point
- bob of negligible size
- massless string



Simple Pendulum: Torque Diagram

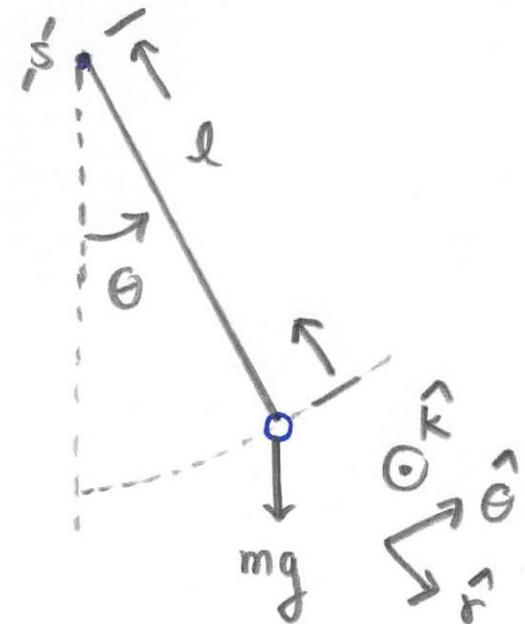
torque about the pivot point

$$\vec{\tau}_S = \vec{r}_{S,m} \times m\vec{g} \equiv l\hat{r} \times mg(-\sin\theta\hat{\theta} + \cos\theta\hat{r}) = -lmg \sin\theta\hat{k}$$

angular acceleration
(vector quantity)

$$\vec{\alpha} = \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}\hat{k}$$

- Points along axis
- Positive or negative



Simple Pendulum: Rotational Equation of Motion

- moment of inertial of a point mass about the pivot point

$$I_S = ml^2$$

- Rotational Law of Motion $\vec{\tau}_S = I_S \vec{\alpha}$

- Simple pendulum oscillator equation

$$-lmg \sin \theta = ml^2 \frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2}$$

Simple Pendulum: Small Angle Approximation

Angle of oscillation is small

$$\sin \theta \cong \theta$$

- Simple harmonic oscillator

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} \cong -\frac{g}{l}\theta$$

- Analogy to spring equation

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\frac{k}{m}x$$

- Angular frequency of oscillation

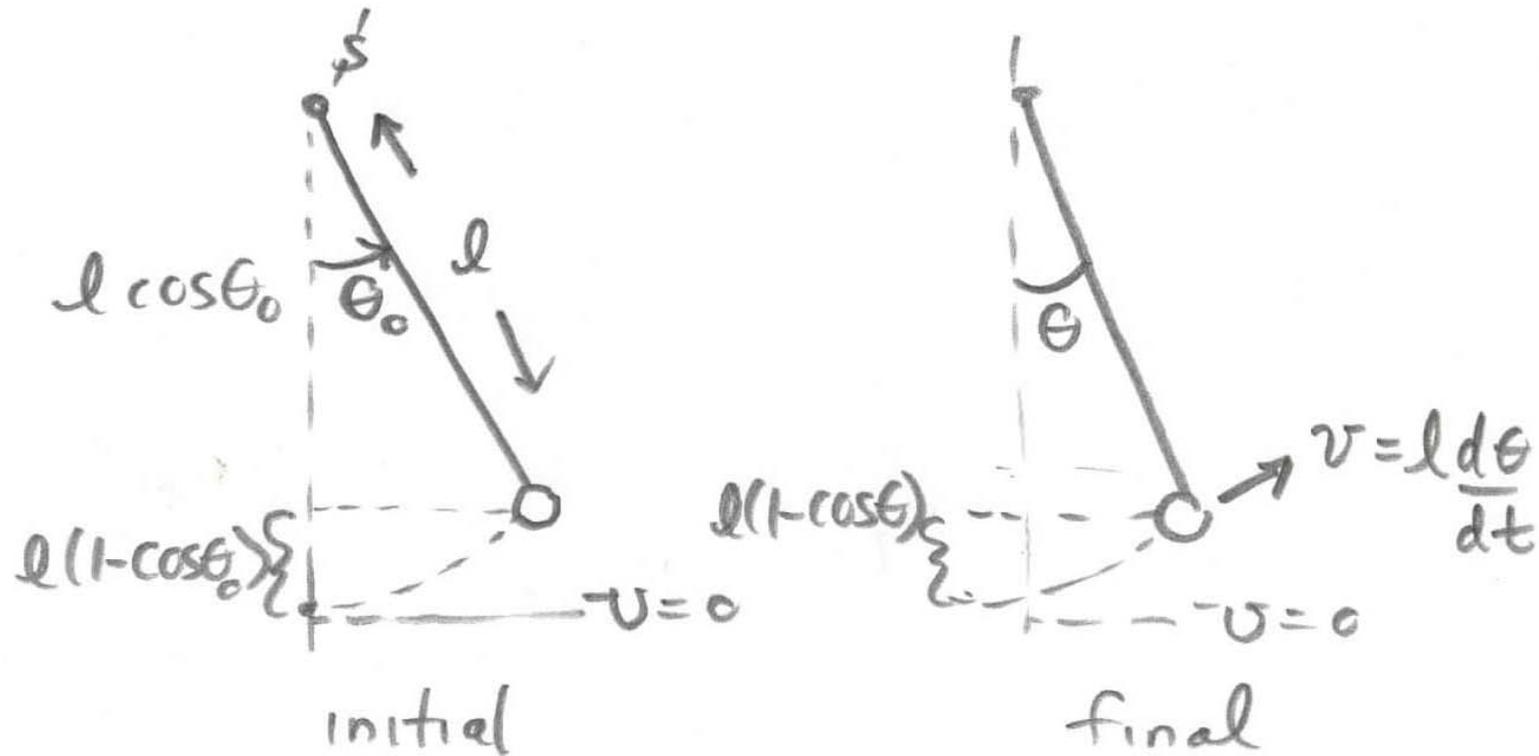
$$\omega_{\text{pendulum}} \cong \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}$$

- Period

$$T_0 = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_p} \cong 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}$$

Simple Pendulum: Mechanical Energy

- released from rest at an angle θ_0



Extra Topic: Simple Pendulum: Mechanical Energy

- Velocity

$$v_{\text{tan}} = l \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

- Kinetic energy

$$K_f = \frac{1}{2} m v_{\text{tan}}^2 = \frac{1}{2} m \left(l \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)^2$$

- Initial energy

$$E_0 = K_0 + U_0 = mgl(1 - \cos \theta_0)$$

- Final energy

$$E_f = K_f + U_f = \frac{1}{2} m \left(l \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)^2 + mgl(1 - \cos \theta)$$

- Conservation of energy

$$\frac{1}{2} m \left(l \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)^2 + mgl(1 - \cos \theta) = mgl(1 - \cos \theta_0)$$

Simple Pendulum: Angular Velocity Equation of Motion

- Angular velocity

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \sqrt{\frac{2g}{l}} \sqrt{(\cos \theta - \cos \theta_0)}$$

- Integral form

$$\int \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{(\cos \theta - \cos \theta_0)}} = \int \sqrt{\frac{2g}{l}} dt$$

Simple Pendulum: Integral Form

- Change of variables $b \sin a = \sin(\theta/2)$

$$b = \sin(\theta_0/2)$$

- Integral form

$$\int \frac{da}{(1 - b^2 \sin^2 a)^{1/2}} = \int \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}} dt$$

- Power series approximation

$$(1 - b^2 \sin^2 a)^{-1/2} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} b^2 \sin^2 a + \frac{3}{8} b^4 \sin^4 a + \dots$$

- Solution

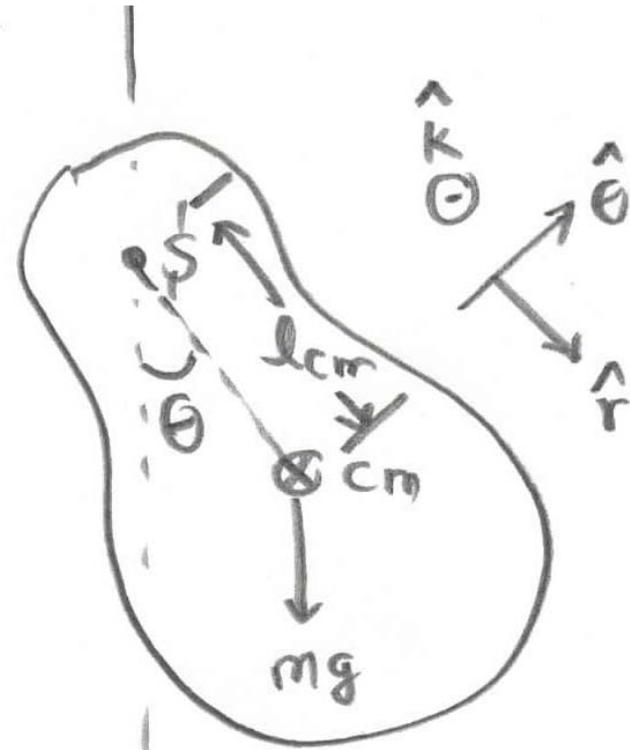
$$2\pi + \frac{1}{2} \pi \sin^2(\theta_0/2) + \dots = \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}} T$$

Simple Pendulum: First Order Correction

- period
$$T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}\left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\sin^2(\theta_0/2) + \dots\right) \quad T_0 = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}$$
- initial angle is small
$$\sin^2(\theta_0/2) \cong \theta_0^2/4$$
- Approximation
$$T \cong 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}\left(1 + \frac{1}{16}\theta_0^2\right) = T_0\left(1 + \frac{1}{16}\theta_0^2\right)$$
- First order correction
$$\Delta T_1 \cong \frac{1}{16}\theta_0^2 T_0$$

Physical Pendulum

- pendulum pivoted about point S
- gravitational force acts center of mass
- center of mass distance l_{cm} from the pivot point



Physical Pendulum

- torque about pivot point

$$\vec{\tau}_S = \vec{r}_{s,cm} \times m\vec{g} = l_{cm} \hat{r} \times mg(-\sin\theta \hat{\theta} + \cos\theta \hat{r}) = -l_{cm} mg \sin\theta \hat{k}$$

- moment of inertial about pivot point I_S
- Example: body is a uniform rod of mass m and length l .

$$I_S = \frac{1}{3} ml^2$$

Physical Pendulum

- rotational dynamical equation $\vec{\tau}_S = I_S \vec{\alpha}$

- small angle approximation $\sin \theta \cong \theta$

- Equation of motion $\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} \cong -\frac{l_{cm}mg}{I_S} \theta$

- Angular frequency $\omega_{pendulum} \cong \sqrt{\frac{l_{cm}mg}{I_S}}$

- Period $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_p} \cong 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I_S}{l_{cm}mg}}$

PRS - linear momentum

A disk with mass M and radius R is spinning with angular velocity ω about an axis that passes through the rim of the disk perpendicular to its plane. The magnitude of its linear momentum is:

1. $\frac{1}{2} M R^2 \omega$

4. $M R \omega^2$

2. $M R^2 \omega$

5. $\frac{1}{2} M R \omega$

3. $\frac{1}{2} M R \omega^2$

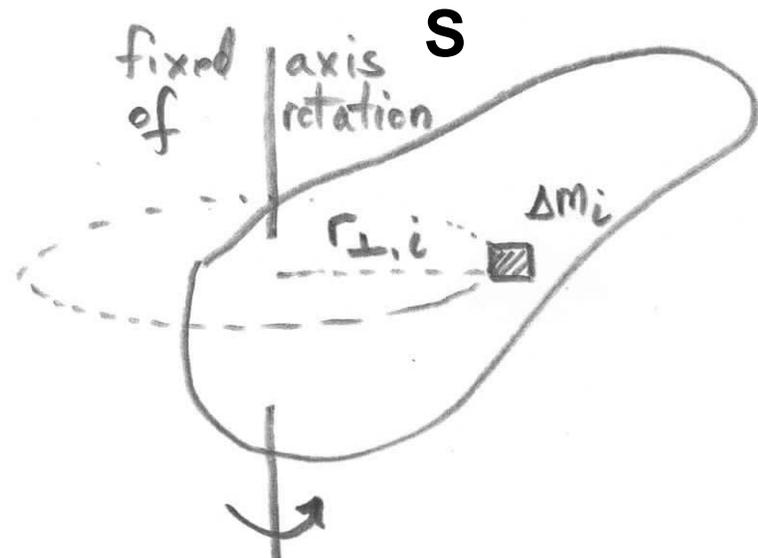
6. $M R \omega$

PRS: Rigid Body Rotation

A rigid body rotates about an axis, S .

What is the relationship between the rotation rate about S vs about the center of mass? Also, what is the relationship between the rotational accelerations about these points?

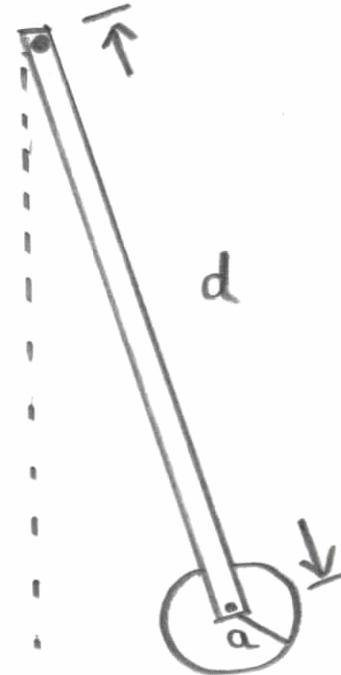
1. $\alpha_{cm} = \alpha_S$ and $\omega_{cm} = \omega_S$
2. $\alpha_{cm} = \alpha_S$ but $\omega_{cm} \neq \omega_S$
3. $\omega_{cm} = \omega_S$ but $\alpha_{cm} \neq \alpha_S$
4. $\alpha_{cm} \neq \alpha_S$ and $\omega_{cm} \neq \omega_S$
5. None of above is consistently true



Concept Question: Physical Pendulum

A physical pendulum consists of a uniform rod of length l and mass m pivoted at one end. A disk of mass m_1 and radius a is fixed to the other end. Suppose the disk is now mounted to the rod by a frictionless bearing so that it is perfectly free to spin. Does the period of the pendulum

- a) increase?
- b) stay the same?
- c) decrease?



Class Problem: Physical Pendulum

A physical pendulum consists of a uniform rod of length l and mass m pivoted at one end. A disk of mass m_1 and radius a is fixed to the other end.

a) Find the period of the pendulum.

Suppose the disk is now mounted to the rod by a frictionless bearing so that it is perfectly free to spin.

b) Find the new period of the pendulum.

