Last Lecture

⇒Intro to angular motion

Today

- Statics and dynamics of rotational motion
- Important Concepts
 - Equations for angular motion are mostly identical to those for linear motion with the names of the variables changed.
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- Rotational inertia or moment of inertia (rotational equivalent of mass) depends on how the material is distributed relative to the axis.

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Important Reminders

- Lectures will be M 11-12, T&W 10-12, F 11-12.
- Check schedule on web for new times and rooms for some recitations (all are still on Thursday).
- Switching of recitations will be permitted if you have a conflict with another IAP activity.
- Contact your tutor about session scheduling
- Students working with Stephane Essame reassigned.
- Mastering Physics due this Wednesday at 10pm.
- Pset due this Friday at 11am.

Complete Description of Motion

- For an extended object, all of the equations learned last fall apply exactly without approximations to the motion of the center of mass.
- This is true whether or not an object is also rotating.
- The two motions (linear position of the center of mass and rotation around the center of mass) can be considered separately, *except* for kinetic energy where everything gets lumped into one equation.

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Kinematics VariablesPosition xAngle θ Velocity vAngular velocity ω Acceleration aAngular acceleration α Force FTorque τ Mass MMoment of Inertia IMomentum pAngular Momentum L $\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$ $\alpha = \frac{d\omega}{dt} = \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2}$ 801L IAP 20061/102004

Vector Nature Angular Motion

- The vector for any angular quantity (θ, ω, α, τ, J) points along the axis with the direction given by a right-hand-rule.
- \clubsuit Fingers curl in direction of $\theta,\,\omega,\,\alpha,\,\tau,\,J,\,thumb$ points in the direction of the vector
- For most problems, all variables can be considered either clockwise (CW) or counter-clockwise (CCW).

Torque

- How do you make something rotate? Very intuitive!
 Larger force clearly gives more "twist".
 - ⇒Force needs to be in the right direction (perpendicular to a line to the axis is ideal).
 - The "twist" is bigger if the force is applied farther away from the axis (bigger lever arm).
- In math-speak: $\vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}$ $|\tau| = |r||F|\sin(\phi)$



More Ways to Think of Torque

- Magnitude of the force times the component of the distance perpendicular to the force (aka lever arm).
- Magnitude of the radial distance times the component of the force perpendicular to the radius.
- Direction from Right-Hand-Rule for cross-products and can also be thought of as clockwise (CW) or counter-clockwise (CCW).

For torque, gravity acts at the center of mass.

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Conditions for Equilibrium

Same as before: $\Sigma \vec{F} = 0$

- It's totally irrelevant where the forces are applied to an object, only their direction and magnitude matters.
- This gives one independent equation per dimension.
- **C**Additional condition: $\Sigma \vec{\tau} = 0$
 - This is true for any axis. However, if all of the forces are in the same plane (the only type of problem we will consider in this class), you only get one additional independent equation by considering rotation.

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Equations for Dynamics

- Same as before: $\Sigma \vec{F} = M \vec{a}$
 - Only the direction and magnitude of the forces matter.
 - ⇒This gives one independent equation per dimension.
- Solutional condition: $\Sigma \vec{\tau} = I \vec{\alpha}$
 - This is true for *any fixed* axis (for example, a pulley).
 - In addition, this equation holds for an axis through the center of mass, even if the object moves or accelerates.
 - As for statics, if all of the forces are in the same plane, you only get one additional independent equation by considering rotation.

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Inertia in Rotation

- Depends linearly on the total mass
- Depends on how the mass is distributed. Mass farther from the axis is harder to rotate.
- The same object could have a different moment of inertia depending on the choice of axis.
- In the equation: $\Sigma \vec{\tau} = I \vec{\alpha}$ all three quantities need to be calculated using the same axis (either a fixed axle or the center of mass).

Moment of Inertia

- Most easily derived by considering Kinetic Energy (to be discussed next week).
- $\Box I = \Sigma m_i r_i^2 = \int r^2 dm$

Some simple cases are given in the textbook on page 342, you should be able to derive those below except for the sphere. Will be on formula sheet.

- Hoop (all mass at same radius) I=MR²
- Solid cylinder or disk I=(1/2)MR²
- ⇒Rod around end I=(1/3)ML²
- Rod around center I=(1/12)ML²
 Sphere I=(2/5)MR²

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