

Phyz Examples: Rotation

Smooth Operations: Kinematics

1. [Rot UM] How long does it take for a record spinning at 33.3 rpm to rotate through 100 radians?

$$\begin{aligned}1. \omega &= 33.3 \text{ rev/min} \times 2\pi \text{ rad/rev} \times 1 \text{ min}/60\text{s} \\ \omega &= 3.49 \text{ rad/s} \quad \theta = 100 \text{ rad} \quad t = ? \\ \omega &= \theta/t \\ t &= \theta/\omega \\ t &= 100 \text{ rad} / 3.49 \text{ rad/s} \\ t &= \underline{28.7 \text{ s}}\end{aligned}$$

3. [Rot UAM] A tire on my PhyzVan had an angular acceleration of -5 rad/s^2 . If the wheel was originally turning at 80 rad/s and turned through 500 rad during the deceleration, what was the final speed of the wheel?

$$\begin{aligned}3. \theta &= 500 \text{ rad} \quad \omega_0 = 80 \text{ rad/s} \quad \omega = ? \\ \alpha &= -5 \text{ rad/s}^2 \quad t = ? \\ \omega^2 &= \omega_0^2 + 2\alpha\theta \\ \omega &= \sqrt{(\omega_0^2 + 2\alpha\theta)} \\ \omega &= \sqrt{((80 \text{ rad/s})^2 + 2(-5 \text{ rad/s}^2)(500 \text{ rad}))} \\ \omega &= \underline{37 \text{ rad/s}}\end{aligned}$$

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5. How far must a force of 50 N be placed along a wrench so that a torque of $10 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$ can be achieved?

$$\begin{aligned}5. F &= 50 \text{ N} \quad \tau = 10 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \quad r = ? \\ \tau &= r \times F \\ r &= \tau/F \\ r &= 10 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} / 50 \text{ N} \\ r &= \underline{0.2 \text{ m} = 20 \text{ cm}}\end{aligned}$$

7. How much torque is needed to angularly accelerate a $3\text{-kg}\cdot\text{m}^2$ fan blade at 12 rad/s^2 ?

$$\begin{aligned}7. I &= 3 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2 \quad \alpha = 12 \text{ rad/s}^2 \\ \tau &= I\alpha \\ \tau &= 3 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2 \cdot 12 \text{ rad/s}^2 \\ \tau &= \underline{36 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}} \quad [\text{The N}\cdot\text{m here are NOT joules!}]\end{aligned}$$

2. [Rot UAM] What is the angular acceleration of a compact disc that begins at rest and accelerates to 50 rad/s in 1.5 s ?

$$\begin{aligned}2. \theta &= ? \quad \omega_0 = 0 \quad \omega = 50 \text{ rad/s} \quad \alpha = ? \quad t = 1.5 \text{ s} \\ \omega &= \omega_0 + \alpha t \\ \alpha &= \omega/t \\ \alpha &= 50 \text{ rad/s} / 1.5 \text{ s} \\ \alpha &= \underline{33.3 \text{ rad/s}^2}\end{aligned}$$

4. [Rolling] An oil barrel ($r = 40 \text{ cm}$) rolls on a level surface at 6 m/s . What is the barrel's angular speed?

$$\begin{aligned}4. v &= 6 \text{ m/s} \quad r = 0.4 \text{ m} \quad \omega = ? \\ v &= r\omega \\ \omega &= v/r \\ \omega &= 6 \text{ m/s} / 0.4 \text{ m} \\ \omega &= \underline{15 \text{ rad/s}}\end{aligned}$$

6. What is the mass of a basketball whose diameter is 30 cm and whose moment of inertia is $0.0075 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2$?

$$\begin{aligned}6. R &= D/2 = 0.15 \text{ m} \quad I = 0.0075 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2 \quad M = ? \\ I &= (2/3) MR^2 \quad [\text{hollow sphere}] \\ M &= (3/2) I / R^2 \\ M &= (3/2) 0.0075 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2 / (0.15 \text{ m})^2 \\ M &= \underline{0.5 \text{ kg}}\end{aligned}$$

8. What is the combined rotational inertia of Jenny and the rotating stool she's sitting on if a torque of $20 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$ causes an angular acceleration of 2 rad/s^2 ?

$$\begin{aligned}8. \tau &= 20 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \quad \alpha = 2 \text{ rad/s}^2 \\ \tau &= I\alpha \\ I &= \tau/\alpha \\ I &= 20 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} / 2 \text{ rad/s}^2 \\ I &= \underline{10 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2}\end{aligned}$$

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9. What is the angular momentum of a 20-g, 11.8-cm compact disc spinning at 500 rpm?

$$\begin{aligned} 9. m &= 20 \text{ g} = 0.020 \text{ kg} \\ r &= d/2 = 5.9 \text{ cm} = 0.059 \text{ m} \\ \omega &= 500 \text{ rev/min} \times 2\pi \text{ rad/rev} \times 1 \text{ min}/60 \text{ s} \\ \omega &= 52.4 \text{ rad/s} \\ L &= I\omega = (1/2)mr^2 \cdot \omega \\ L &= (1/2) 0.020 \text{ kg} \cdot (0.059 \text{ m})^2 \cdot 52.4 \text{ rad/s} \\ L &= \underline{0.0018 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{s}} \end{aligned}$$

11. To what angular speed did Jearl accelerate the merry-go-round if its rotational inertia was 300 kg·m²?

$$\begin{aligned} 11. KE &= 754 \text{ J} \quad I = 300 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2 \\ KE &= (1/2)I\omega^2 \\ \omega &= \sqrt{(2KE / I)} \\ \omega &= \sqrt{(2 \cdot 754 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} / 300 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2)} \\ \omega &= \underline{2.24 \text{ rad/s}} \end{aligned}$$

10. How much work does Jearl do on the merry-go-round if he applies a torque of 120 N·m while accelerating it through 2π rad?

$$\begin{aligned} 10. \tau &= 120 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \quad \theta = 2\pi \text{ rad} \\ W &= \tau\theta \\ W &= 120 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \cdot 2\pi \text{ rad} \\ W &= \underline{754 \text{ J}} \quad [\text{Yes, the radians disappear and the N}\cdot\text{m become joules. Weird, but true!}] \end{aligned}$$

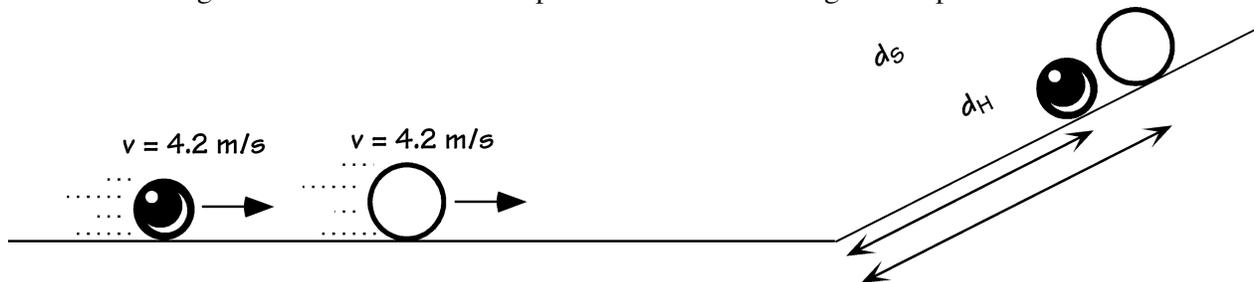
12. What is the angular speed of a bit on a 500 W electric drill that provides 6.25 N·m of torque?

$$\begin{aligned} 12. P &= 500 \text{ W} \quad \tau = 6.25 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \\ P &= \tau\omega \\ \omega &= P/\tau \\ \omega &= 500 \text{ W} / 6.25 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \\ \omega &= \underline{80 \text{ rad/s}} \end{aligned}$$

Welcome to the Real World Example

13. A hoop (hollow cylinder) and a solid sphere are rolling along a level surface at 4.2 m/s when they encounter an incline of 27°. Notice that I'm not saying what the mass or radius of either object is!

- How far along the incline will the hoop roll before coming to a stop?
- How far along the incline will the solid sphere roll before coming to a stop?



$$\begin{aligned} 13a. v &= 4.2 \text{ m/s} \quad \theta = 27^\circ \quad I = mr^2 \text{ (hoop)} \\ &\text{height above level surface} \\ KE_{\text{BOT}} &= PE_{\text{TOP}} \\ KE_{\text{LIN}} + KE_{\text{ROT}} &= PE_{\text{TOP}} \\ (1/2)mv^2 + (1/2)I\omega^2 &= mgh \\ (1/2)mv^2 + (1/2)(mr^2)(v/r)^2 &= mgh \\ (1/2)mv^2 + (1/2)(mv^2) &= mgh \\ v^2 &= gh \\ h &= v^2/g \\ \text{distance along incline} \\ d_H &= h/\sin\theta \\ d_H &= v^2/g\sin\theta \\ d_H &= (4.2 \text{ m/s})^2 / 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \sin 27^\circ \\ d_H &= \underline{3.97 \text{ m}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 13b. v &= 4.2 \text{ m/s} \quad \theta = 27^\circ \quad I = (2/5)mr^2 \text{ (SS)} \\ &\text{height above level surface} \\ KE_{\text{BOT}} &= PE_{\text{TOP}} \\ KE_{\text{LIN}} + KE_{\text{ROT}} &= PE_{\text{TOP}} \\ (1/2)mv^2 + (1/2)I\omega^2 &= mgh \\ (1/2)mv^2 + (1/2)(2/5)(mr^2)(v/r)^2 &= mgh \\ (1/2)mv^2 + (2/10)(mv^2) &= mgh \\ (7/10)v^2 &= gh \\ h &= 7v^2/10g \\ \text{distance along incline} \\ d_S &= h/\sin\theta \\ d_S &= 7v^2/10g\sin\theta \\ d_S &= 7(4.2 \text{ m/s})^2 / 10 \cdot 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \sin 27^\circ \\ d_S &= \underline{2.78 \text{ m}} \end{aligned}$$

Did you expect the same answer as for the hoop?