

**Angular Momentum  
&  
Fixed Axis Rotation (contd)**

# Summary of rotational motion

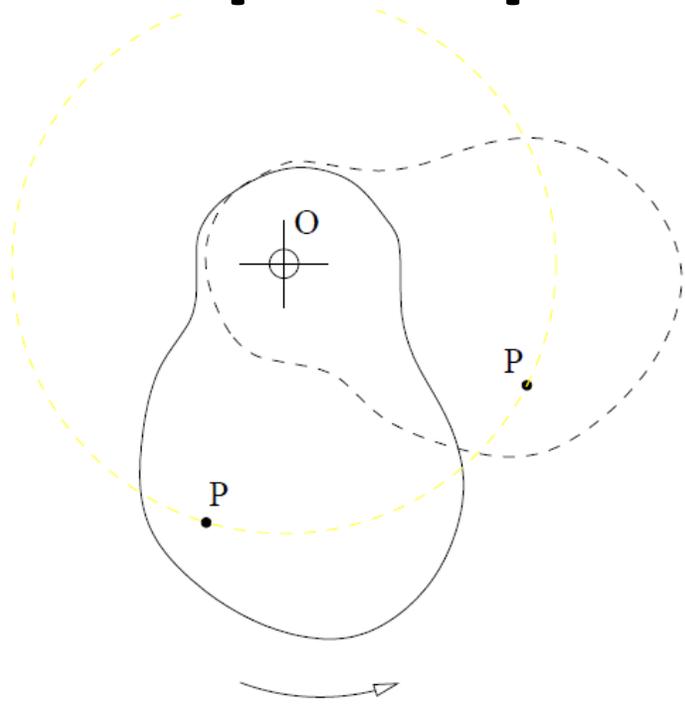
All rigid body motion can be split into:

- A translation of one point of rigid body
- Rotation of rigid body about that point

A special case in which rigid body motion is combination of fixed axis rotation + translation of fixed axis keeping it parallel to the some fixed axis in space.

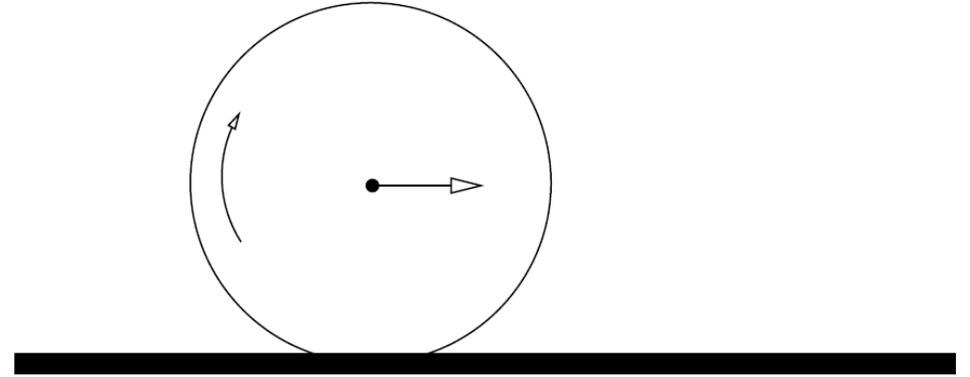
**A general motion can always be split into a rotation + a translation**

# Example of pure rotation and rotation plus translation



Pure Rotation

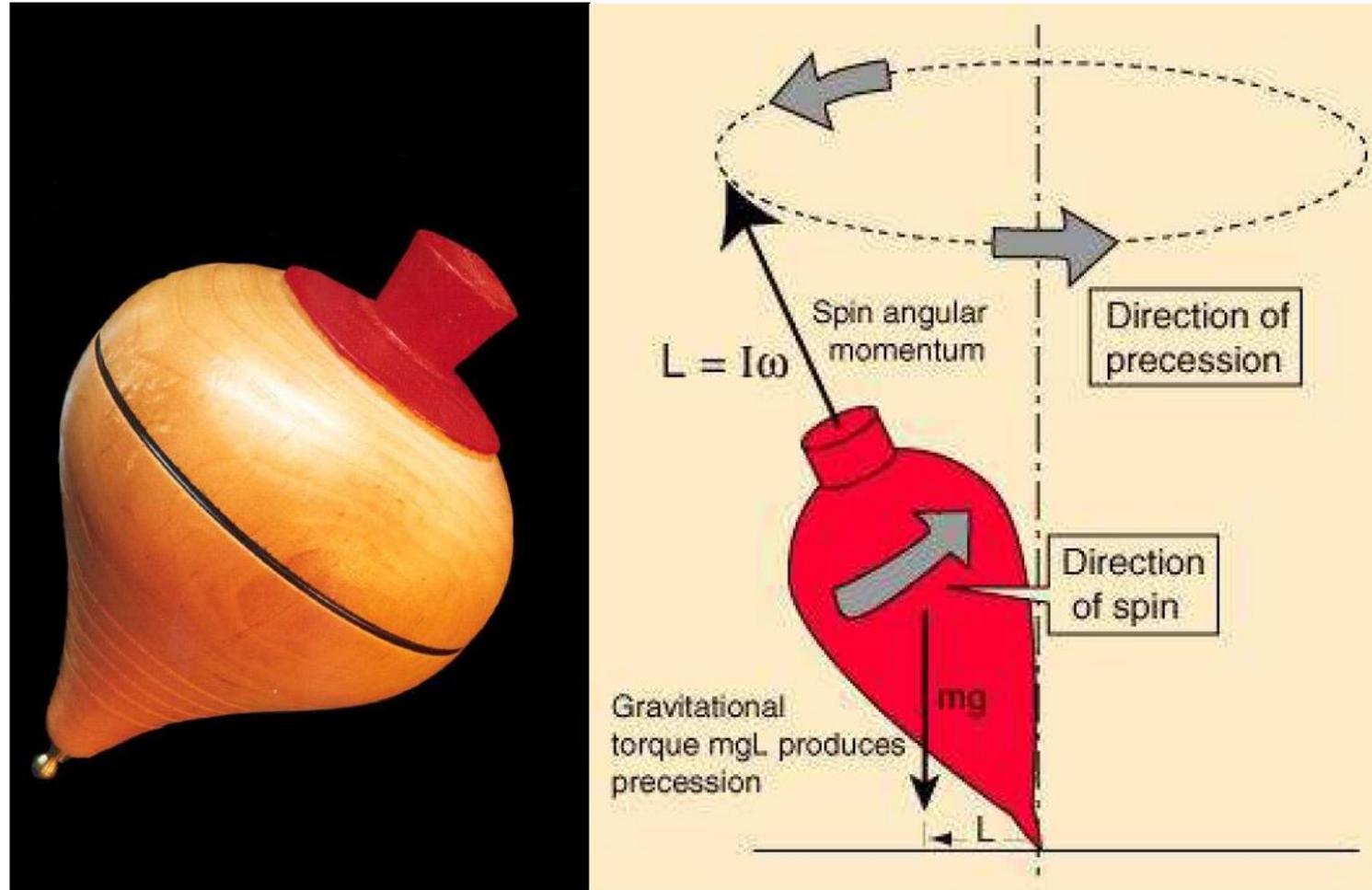
Each point of the rigid body performs a circular motion about  $O$ .



Rotation plus translation

The point shown moves long a straight line

# Example of pure rotation: A rotating top

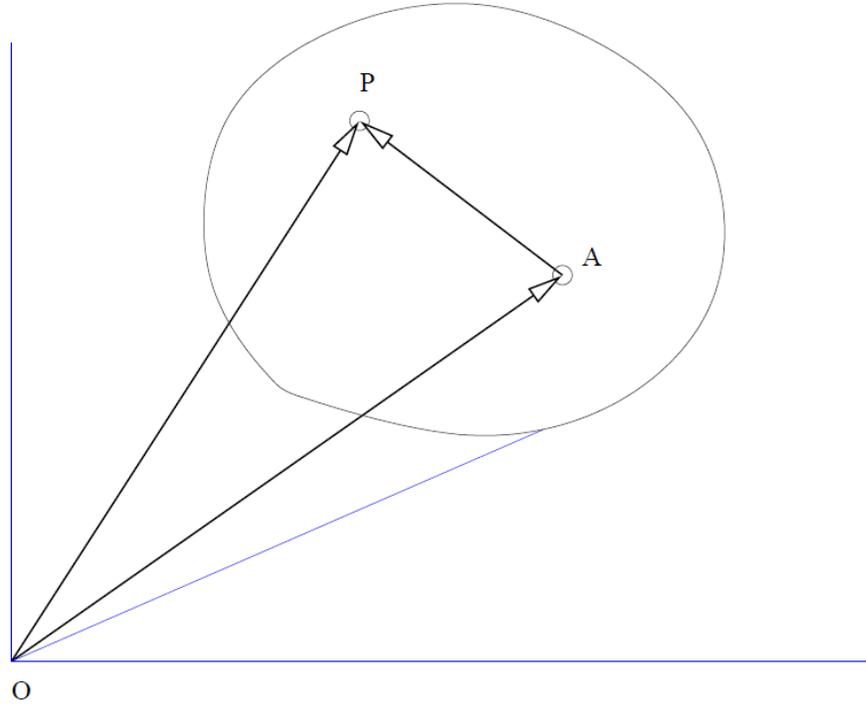


All points of the top are restricted to a spherical surface.

# Example of rotation + Translation: Tyre Rolling



# Calculating Angular Momentum for rotation + translation



A: CM of body  $\vec{R}_A$   
 P: A point of body  $\vec{r}'$

$$\vec{r} = \vec{R}_A + \vec{r}'$$

$$\vec{v} = \vec{V}_A + \vec{v}'$$

Angular Momentum about O:  $\vec{L} = \sum m_i \vec{r}_i \times \vec{v}_i$

Angular Momentum about A:  $\vec{L}_0 = \sum m_i \vec{r}'_i \times \vec{v}'_i$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{L} &= \sum m_i \vec{r}_i \times \vec{v}_i \\ &= \sum m_i (\vec{R}_A + \vec{r}'_i) \times (\vec{V}_A + \vec{v}'_i) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{L} &= \sum m_i (\vec{R}_A + \vec{r}'_i) \times (\vec{V}_A + \vec{v}'_i) \\ &= \sum m_i \vec{R}_A \times \vec{V}_A + \sum m_i \vec{r}'_i \times \vec{v}'_i \\ &\quad + \sum m_i \vec{R}_A \times \vec{v}'_i + \sum m_i \vec{r}'_i \times \vec{V}_A \\ &= \left( \sum m_i \right) \vec{R}_A \times \vec{V}_A + \sum m_i \vec{r}'_i \times \vec{v}'_i \\ &\quad + \vec{R}_A \times \left( \sum m_i \vec{v}'_i \right) + \left( \sum m_i \vec{r}'_i \right) \times \vec{V}_A \\ &= M \vec{R}_A \times \vec{V}_A + \vec{L}_0 \\ &= \vec{L}_{cm} + \vec{L}_0 \end{aligned}$$

Angular Momentum splits nicely into two terms

**The angular momentum relative to the origin of a body can be found by treating the body like a point mass located at CM**

**and**

**finding the angular momentum of this point mass relative to the origin plus the angular momentum of the body relative to CM.**

# Kinetic energy

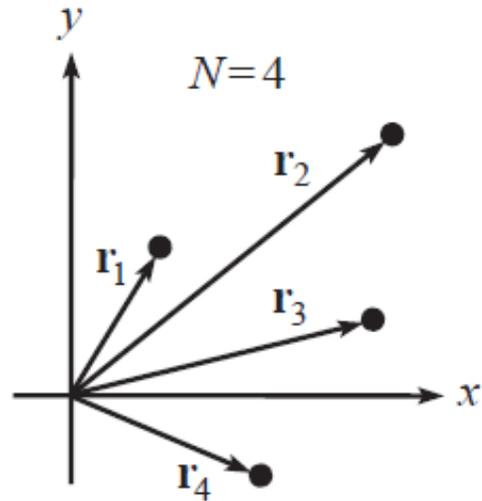
$$K = \frac{1}{2} M V_{\text{cm}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_{\text{cm}_z} \omega^2$$

The Kinetic energy of the body can be found by treating the body like a point mass located at the CM, and the (rotational) kinetic energy of the body relative to CM.

# Angular Momentum of a System of Particles

Consider a collection of  $N$  particles. The total angular momentum of the system is

$$\mathbf{L} = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{r}_i \times \mathbf{p}_i.$$



The force acting on each particle is  $\mathbf{F}_i^{\text{ext}} + \mathbf{F}_i^{\text{int}} = d\mathbf{p}_i/dt$ .

The internal forces come from the adjacent particles which are usually central forces, so that the force between two particles is directed along the line between them.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} \sum_i \mathbf{r}_i \times \mathbf{p}_i = \sum_i \frac{d\mathbf{r}_i}{dt} \times \mathbf{p}_i + \sum_i \mathbf{r}_i \times \frac{d\mathbf{p}_i}{dt} \\ &= \sum_i \mathbf{v}_i \times (m\mathbf{v}_i) + \sum_i \mathbf{r}_i \times (\mathbf{F}_i^{\text{ext}} + \mathbf{F}_i^{\text{int}}) \\ &= 0 + \sum_i \mathbf{r}_i \times \mathbf{F}_i^{\text{ext}} \equiv \sum_i \boldsymbol{\tau}_i^{\text{ext}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_i^{\text{int}} = \sum_j \mathbf{F}_{ij}^{\text{int}}.$$

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}_i^{\text{int}} \equiv \sum_j \mathbf{r}_i \times \mathbf{F}_{ij}^{\text{int}} = \sum_j \sum_i \mathbf{r}_i \times \mathbf{F}_{ij}^{\text{int}}.$$

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}^{\text{int}} = \sum_j \sum_i \mathbf{r}_j \times \mathbf{F}_{ji}^{\text{int}} = - \sum_j \sum_i \mathbf{r}_j \times \mathbf{F}_{ij}^{\text{int}},$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^{\text{int}} = -\mathbf{F}_{ji}^{\text{int}}$$

$$2\boldsymbol{\tau}^{\text{int}} = \sum_i \sum_j (\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j) \times \mathbf{F}_{ij}^{\text{int}} = 0$$

- The *total external torque* acting on the body, which may come from forces acting at many different points.

- The particles may not be rigidly connected to each other, they might have relative motion.

**In the continuous case, the sums need to be replaced with integrals.**

# The Torque

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{\tau} &= \sum \left( \vec{R}_A + \vec{r}'_i \right) \times \vec{F}_i \\ &= \sum \vec{R}_A \times \vec{F}_i + \sum \vec{r}'_i \times \vec{F}_i \\ &= \vec{R}_A \times \left( \sum \vec{F}_i \right) + \sum \vec{r}'_i \times \vec{F}_i \\ &= \vec{R}_A \times \vec{F} + \vec{\tau}_0\end{aligned}$$

Torque also appears as two terms. Compare with

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\vec{L}}{dt} &= M\vec{R}_A \times \frac{d\vec{V}_A}{dt} + \frac{d\vec{L}_0}{dt} \\ &= \vec{R}_A \times \vec{F} + \frac{d\vec{L}_0}{dt}\end{aligned}$$

Dynamical Equations

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\vec{P}_{cm}}{dt} &= F \\ \frac{d\vec{L}_0}{dt} &= \vec{\tau}_0\end{aligned}$$

If a body moves such that the axis of rotation moves parallel to a fixed axis then we need to consider only the z component of angular momentum.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\vec{L}_{0z}}{dt} &= \vec{\tau}_{0z} \\ I_{zz}^0 \alpha &= \tau_{0z}\end{aligned}$$

# Conservation of $L$ for a system of particles about a Point:

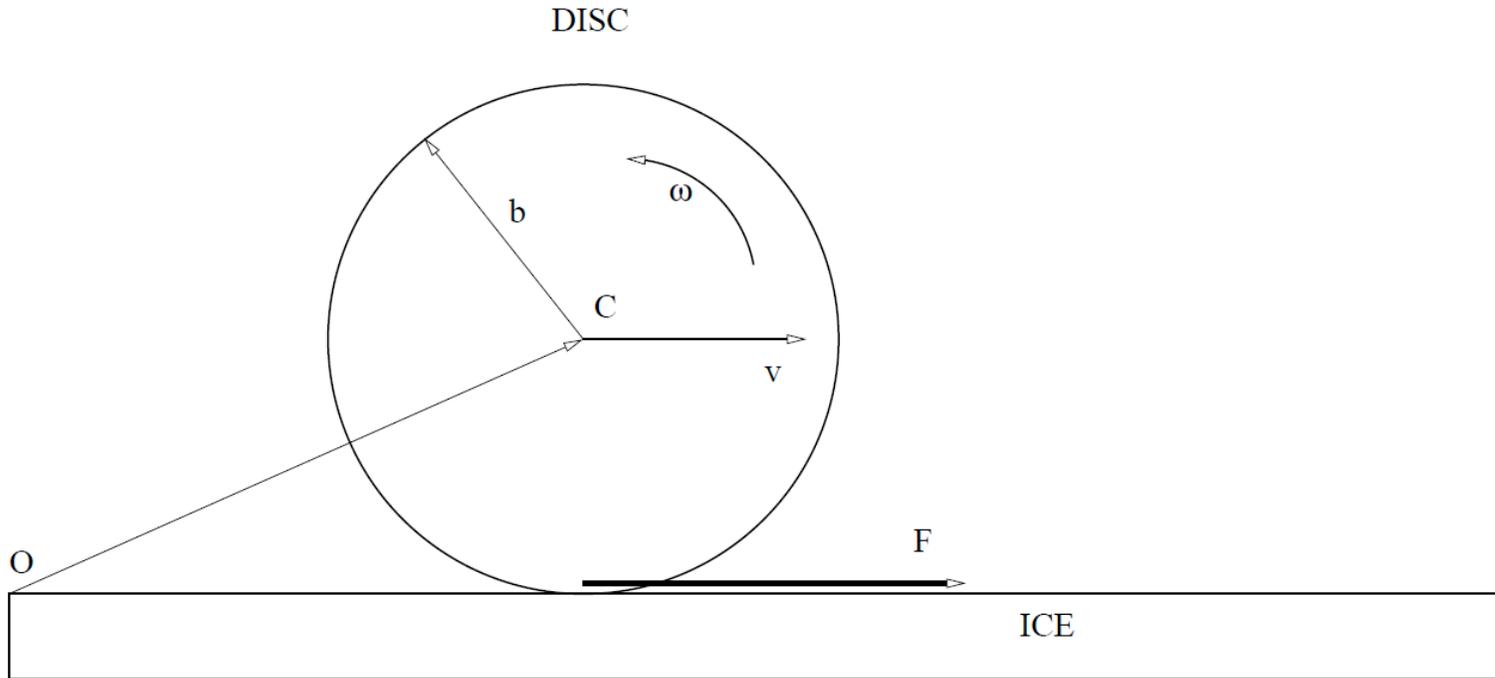
$$\vec{\tau}^{ext} = \frac{d\vec{L}}{dt}, \text{ where } \vec{L} = \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{r}_i \times \vec{p}_i = \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{L}_i \text{ and } \vec{\tau}^{ext} = \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{\tau}_i^{ext}$$

If  $\vec{\tau}^{ext} = 0$ , the net torque i.e. the sum of torque on individual particles is zero, the total angular momentum  $\vec{L}$ , the sum of angular momentum of individual particles will be constant.

That is

$$\vec{L}_{initial} = \vec{L}_{final}$$
$$\sum_{i=1}^N (\vec{r}_i \times \vec{p}_i)_{initial} = \sum_{i=1}^N (\vec{r}_i \times \vec{p}_i)_{final}$$

# Example: Drum on Ice



No net force

$$V_{cm} = \text{const}$$

No Net torque about C

$$\omega = \text{const}$$

Ang Mom about C

$$L_0 = Mb^2\omega/2$$

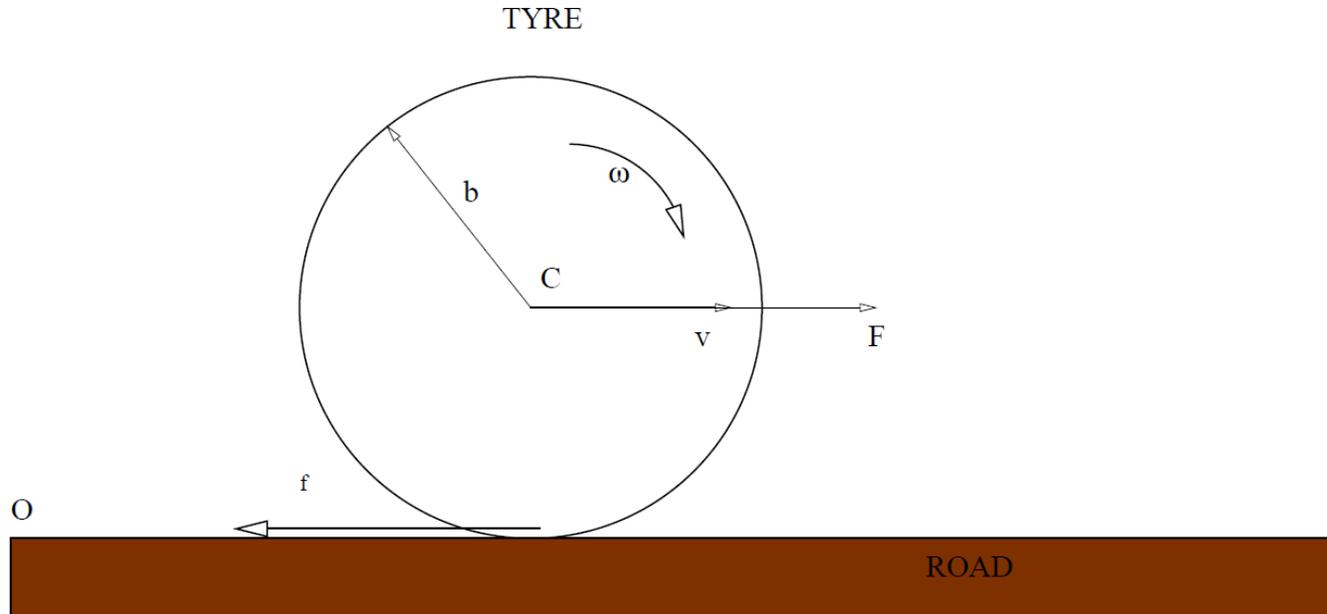
Ang Mom about O

$$L = MbV_{cm} + L_0$$

$$L = Fbt + L_0$$

Tyre on road will have a friction acting opposite to the direction of motion.

# Example: Tyre on the road



## Forces on the tyre

- Force  $F$
- Frictional Force  $f$

## Torque about C

- $\tau_0 = bf$

The equations ( $f < \mu N$ )

$$Ma_{cm} = F - f$$

$$I_0\alpha = bf$$

If  $f < \mu N$  then there is no slipping,  $a = b\alpha$ .

$$Ma_{cm} = F - I_0\alpha/b$$

$$Ma_{cm} + \frac{1}{2}Mb\alpha = F$$

$$a_{cm} = \frac{2F}{3M}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{2F}{3Mb}$$

and  $f = F/3$ . Clearly  $F < 3\mu N$ .

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$$Ma_{cm} = F - \mu N$$

$$I_0\alpha = b\mu N$$

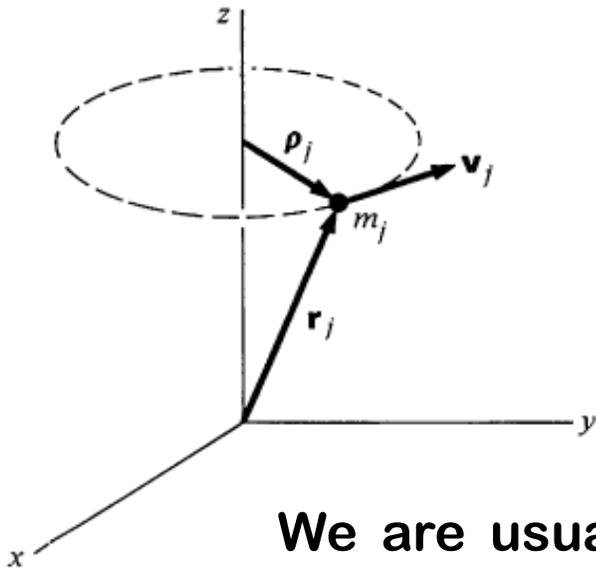
In this case tyre slides on the road, there is no relationship between  $\alpha$  and

$a_{cm}$

# Angular momentum for Fixed Axis Rotation

By fixed axis we mean that the direction of the axis of rotation is always along the same line; the axis itself may translate.

For example, a car wheel attached to an axle undergoes fixed axis rotation as long as the car drives straight ahead. If the car turns, the wheel must rotate about a vertical axis while simultaneously spinning on the axle; the motion is no longer fixed axis rotation.



$$\vec{L}_j = \vec{r}_j \times \vec{p}_j,$$

$$\vec{r}_j = \rho_j \hat{\rho} + z_j \hat{k}, \quad \vec{p}_j = m_j \vec{v}_j,$$

$$\vec{v}_j = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_j = \omega \hat{k} \times (\rho_j \hat{\rho} + z_j \hat{k}) = \omega \rho_j \hat{\theta}$$

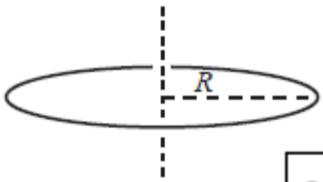
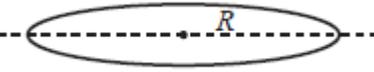
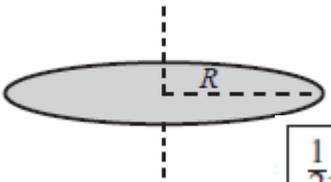
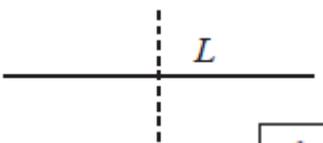
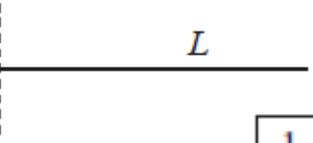
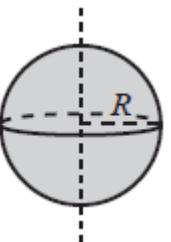
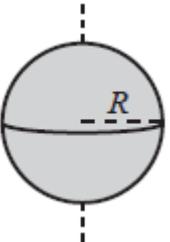
$$\vec{L}_j = (\rho_j \hat{\rho} + z_j \hat{k}) \times m_j \omega \rho_j \hat{\theta} = m_j \rho_j^2 \omega \hat{k} - m_j z_j \rho_j \omega \hat{\rho}$$

We are usually concerned only with  $L_z$ , the component of angular momentum along the axis of rotation.

$$\left(\vec{L}_j\right)_z = L_{jz} = m_j \rho_j^2 \omega, \quad L_z = \sum_i L_{iz} = \left(\sum_i m_i \rho_i^2\right) \omega = I \omega, \quad I = \sum_j m_j \rho_j^2$$

For continuously distributed mass:  $\sum_j m_j \rho_j^2 \rightarrow \int \rho^2 dm$ ,  $I = \text{moment of inertia}$

# Moments of inertia of few symmetric objects:

<p>A ring of mass <math>M</math> and radius <math>R</math>, axis through center, perpendicular to plane.</p>	 $MR^2$	<p>A ring of mass <math>M</math> and radius <math>R</math>, axis through center, in plane.</p>	 $\frac{1}{2}MR^2$
<p>A disk of mass <math>M</math> and radius <math>R</math>, axis through center, perpendicular to plane.</p>	 $\frac{1}{2}MR^2$	<p>A disk of mass <math>M</math> and radius <math>R</math>, axis through center, in plane.</p>	 $\frac{1}{4}MR^2$
<p>A thin uniform rod of mass <math>M</math> and length <math>L</math>, axis through center, perpendicular to rod.</p>	 $\frac{1}{12}ML^2$	<p>A thin uniform rod of mass <math>M</math> and length <math>L</math> axis through end, perpendicular to rod.</p>	 $\frac{1}{3}ML^2$
<p>A spherical shell of mass <math>M</math> and radius <math>R</math>, any axis through center.</p>	 $\frac{2}{3}MR^2$	<p>A solid sphere of mass <math>M</math> and radius <math>R</math>, any axis through center.</p>	 $\frac{2}{5}MR^2$

**The parallel-axis theorem:**

$$I_z = MR^2 + I_z^{\text{CM}}$$

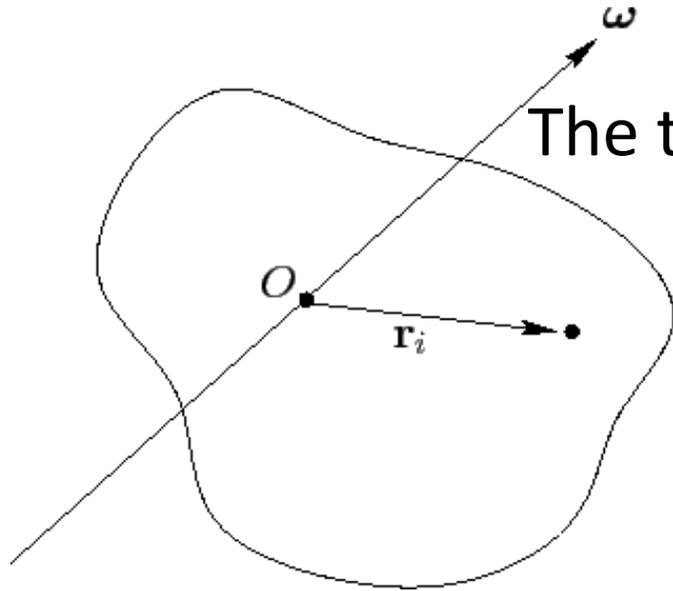
**The perpendicular-axis theorem:**

$$I_z = I_x + I_y$$

# Moment of Inertia Tensor

- Consider a rigid body rotating with a constant angular velocity  $\boldsymbol{\omega}$  about an axis passing through its origin.
- The velocity of the point  $i$  is given by

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}_i}{dt} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_i.$$



The total angular momentum of the body about the origin is,

$$\mathbf{L} = \sum_{i=1,N} m_i \mathbf{r}_i \times \frac{d\mathbf{r}_i}{dt} = \sum_{i=1,N} m_i \mathbf{r}_i \times (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_i) = \sum_{i=1,N} m_i [\mathbf{r}_i^2 \boldsymbol{\omega} - (\mathbf{r}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}) \mathbf{r}_i],$$

The above formula has a matrix form

$$\begin{pmatrix} L_x \\ L_y \\ L_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} I_{xx} & I_{xy} & I_{xz} \\ I_{yx} & I_{yy} & I_{yz} \\ I_{zx} & I_{zy} & I_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{pmatrix},$$

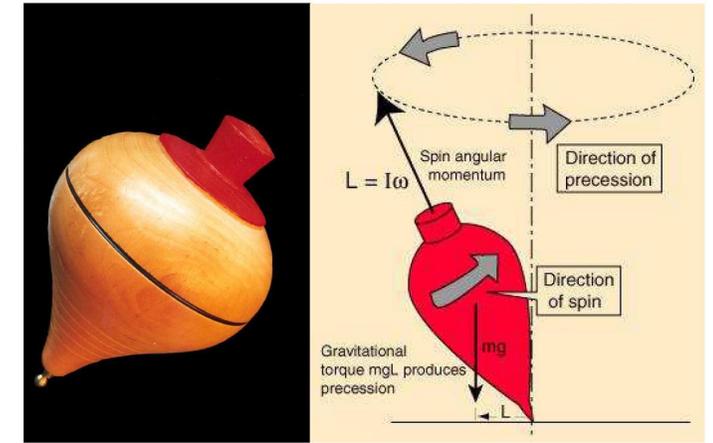
where

$$I_{xxx} = \sum_{i=1,N} (y_i^2 + z_i^2) m_i = \int (y^2 + z^2) dm, \quad I_{xy} = I_{yx} = - \sum_{i=1,N} x_i y_i m_i = - \int x y dm,$$

are the Moment of Inertia about the x-axis and the product of inertia respectively.

# Rotational Kinetic energy

The Kinetic energy is written as, 
$$K = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1, N} m_i \left( \frac{d\mathbf{r}_i}{dt} \right)^2 .$$



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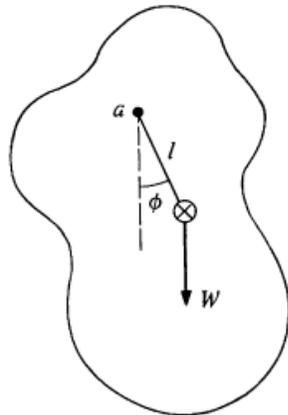
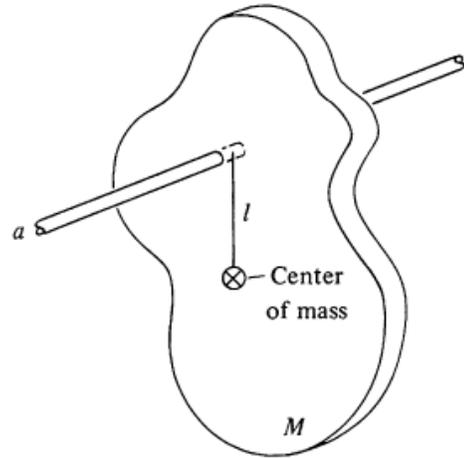
$$K = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1, N} m_i (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_i) \cdot (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_i) = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \sum_{i=1, N} m_i \mathbf{r}_i \times (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_i) .$$

It follows that 
$$K = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \mathbf{L} .$$

With  $\boldsymbol{\omega}$  having all the components, the kinetic energy is written as,

$$K = \frac{1}{2} \left( I_{xx} \omega_x^2 + I_{yy} \omega_y^2 + I_{zz} \omega_z^2 + 2 I_{xy} \omega_x \omega_y + 2 I_{yz} \omega_y \omega_z + 2 I_{xz} \omega_x \omega_z \right) .$$

# The Physical Pendulum



$$\tau = I\alpha. \quad -lW \sin \phi = I_a \ddot{\phi}.$$

Making the small angle approximation,

$$I_a \ddot{\phi} + Mlg\phi = 0.$$

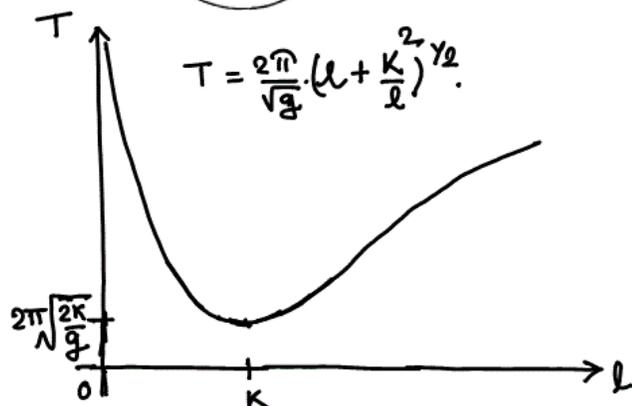
$$\phi = A \cos \omega t + B \sin \omega t, \quad \text{where } \omega = \sqrt{Mlg/I_a}.$$

By the parallel axis theorem we have  $I_a = I_0 + Ml^2$

$$k = \sqrt{\frac{I_0}{M}} \quad I_0 = Mk^2, \quad = M(k^2 + l^2),$$

so that  $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{gl}{k^2 + l^2}}.$

The simple pendulum corresponds to  $k = 0$ ,  $\omega = \sqrt{g/l}$ ,



$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{(k^2 + l^2)}{gl}}$$

For a bar pendulum:  $k = \sqrt{\frac{L^2 + b^2}{12}}$

# Angular Impulse and Change in Angular Momentum

If there is a total applied torque  $\bar{\tau}_S$  about a point  $S$  over an interval of time  $\Delta t = t_f - t_0$ , then the torque applies an *angular impulse* about a point  $S$ , given by

$$\vec{\mathbf{J}}_S = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \bar{\tau}_S dt .$$

Because  $\bar{\tau}_S = d\vec{\mathbf{L}}_S^{\text{total}} / dt$ , the angular impulse about  $S$  is equal to the change in angular momentum about  $S$ ,

$$\vec{\mathbf{J}}_S = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \bar{\tau}_S dt = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \frac{d\vec{\mathbf{L}}_S}{dt} dt = \Delta\vec{\mathbf{L}}_S = \vec{\mathbf{L}}_{S,f} - \vec{\mathbf{L}}_{S,0} .$$