

# PHY131H1F - Class 26

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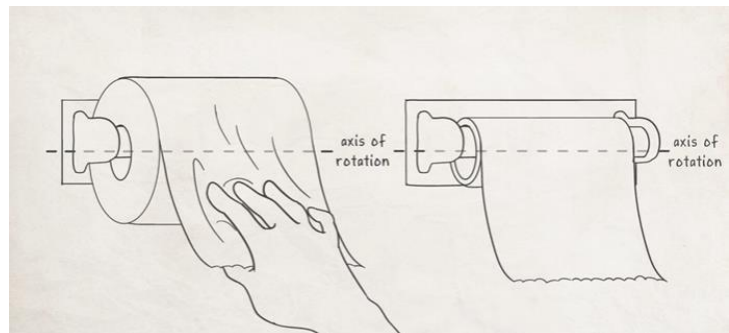
Today we begin Chapter 9:  
9.1 Rotational Kinematics  
9.2 Rotational Inertia

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## Videos and Practice for Chapter 9 (not for homework credit)

- Featuring, Buzzcut Guy gets really dizzy!
- Plus, going to the toilet will never be the same again!

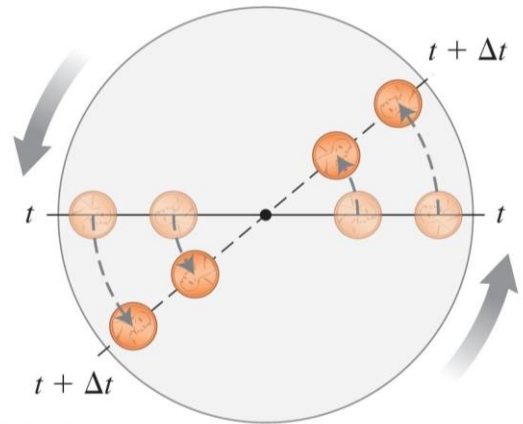
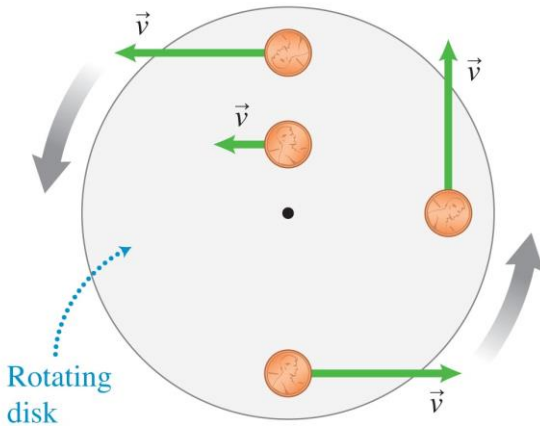


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Suppose a horizontal disk is rotating on a lab bench and you are looking down on it. The rotation axis passes through the centre, and is perpendicular to the disk (out of page)

The direction of the velocity  $\vec{v}$  for each coin changes continually.

Coins at the edge travel farther during  $\Delta t$  than those near the center. The speed  $v$  will be greater for coins near the edge than for coins near the center.



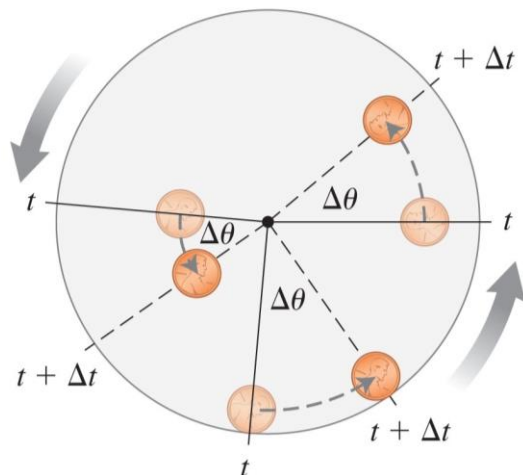
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## Rotational kinematics

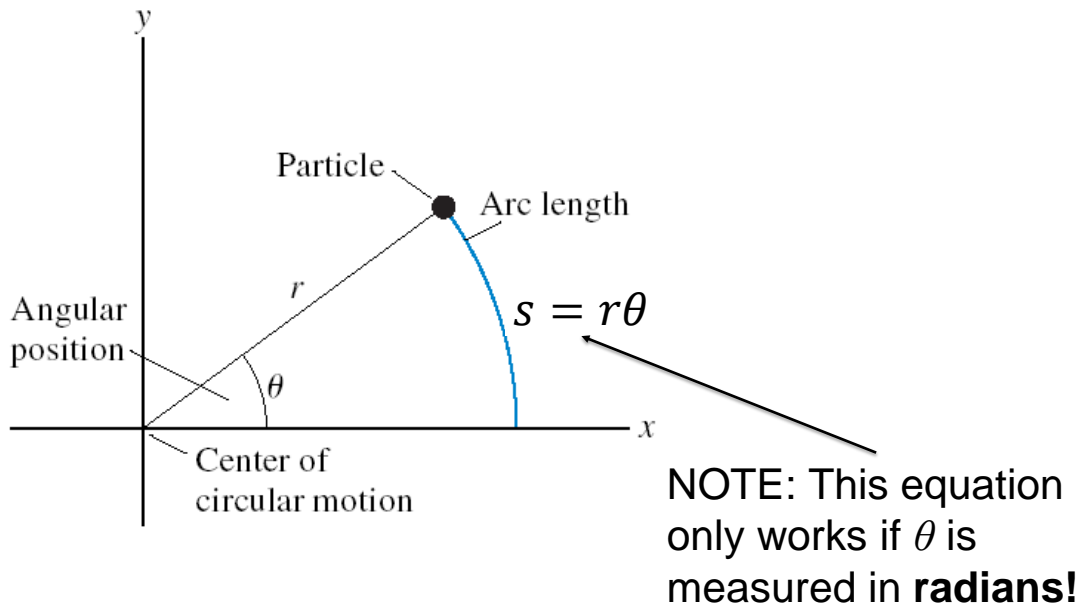
- There are similarities between the motions of different points on a rotating rigid body.
  - During a particular time interval, all coins at the different points on the rotating disk turn through the same angle.
  - **Perhaps we should describe the rotational position of a rigid body using an angle.**

All coins turn through the same angle in  $\Delta t$ , regardless of their position on the disk.



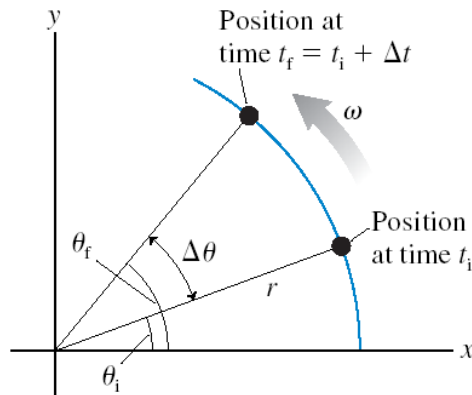
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# Rotational (Angular) Position



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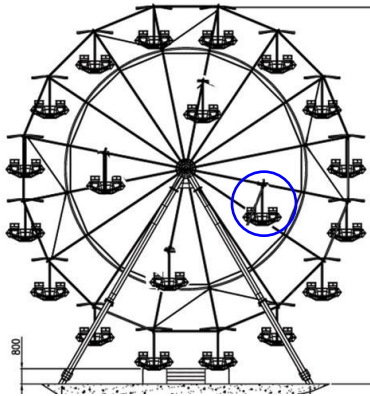
# Angular Velocity



$$\omega \equiv \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta t} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \quad (\text{angular velocity})$$

$$\theta_f = \theta_i + \omega \Delta t \quad (\text{uniform circular motion})$$

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A carnival has a Ferris wheel where some seats are located halfway between the center and the outside rim. Compared with the seats on the outside rim, the inner cars have

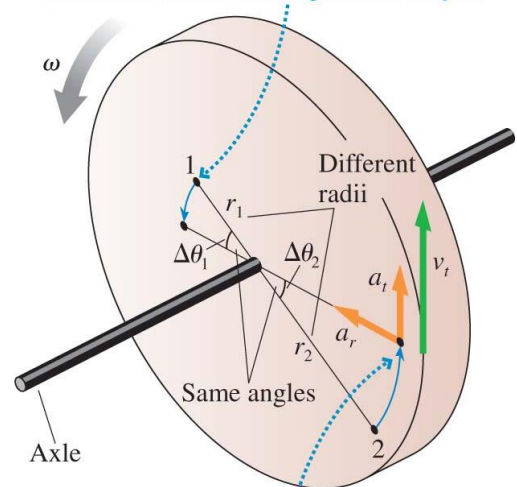
- A. Smaller angular speed and greater tangential speed
- B. Greater angular speed and smaller tangential speed
- C. The same angular speed and smaller tangential speed
- D. Smaller angular speed and the same tangential speed
- E. The same angular speed and the same tangential speed

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## Rigid Body Rotation

- Angular velocity,  $\omega$ , is the rate of change of angular position,  $\theta$ .
- The units of  $\omega$  are rad/s.
- If the rotation is speeding up or slowing down, then its angular acceleration,  $\alpha$ , is the rate of change of angular velocity,  $\omega$ .
- The units of  $\alpha$  are  $\text{rad/s}^2$ .
- All points on a rotating rigid body have the same  $\omega$  and the same  $\alpha$ .

Every point on the wheel turns through the same angle and thus undergoes circular motion with the same angular velocity  $\omega$ .

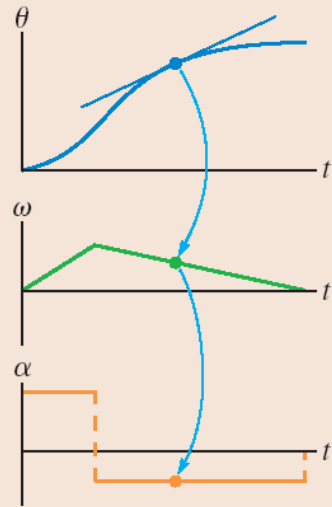


All points on the wheel have a tangential velocity and a radial (centripetal) acceleration. They also have a tangential acceleration if the wheel has angular acceleration.

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Angle, angular velocity, and angular acceleration are related graphically.

- The angular velocity is the slope of the angular position graph.
- The angular acceleration is the slope of the angular velocity graph.
- Arc length:  $s = \theta r$
- Tangential velocity:  $v_t = \omega r$

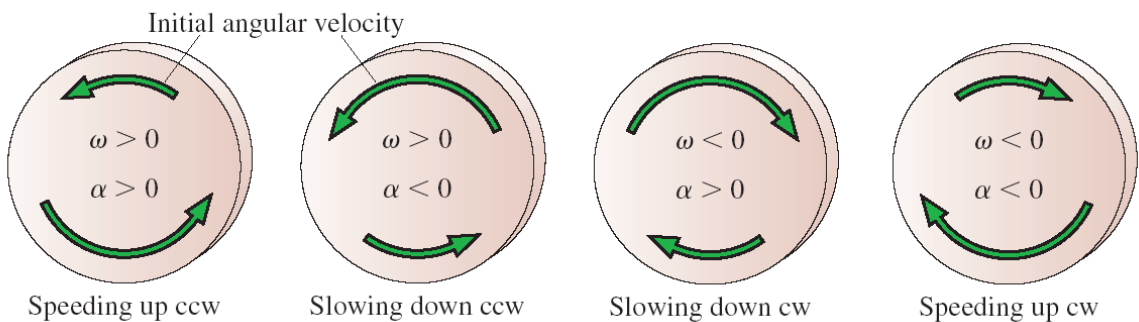


- Tangential acceleration:  $a_t = ar$

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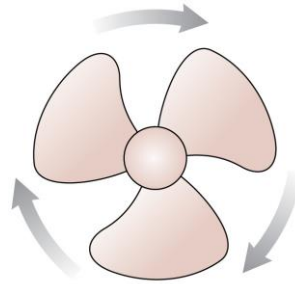
## Rotational Kinematics

The signs of angular velocity and angular acceleration.



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Historical Convention:  
Define **positive** angular displacement to  
be **counter-clockwise**.

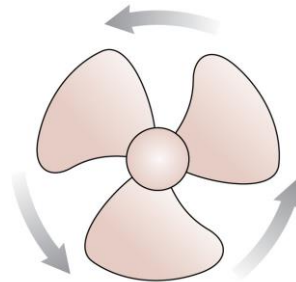


The fan blade is speeding up.  
What are the signs of  $\omega$  and  $\alpha$ ?

- A.  $\omega$  is positive and  $\alpha$  is positive.
- B.  $\omega$  is positive and  $\alpha$  is negative.
- C.  $\omega$  is negative and  $\alpha$  is positive.
- D.  $\omega$  is negative and  $\alpha$  is negative.

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Historical Convention:  
Define **positive** angular displacement to  
be **counter-clockwise**.



The fan blade is slowing down.  
What are the signs of  $\omega$  and  $\alpha$ ?

- A.  $\omega$  is positive and  $\alpha$  is positive.
- B.  $\omega$  is positive and  $\alpha$  is negative.
- C.  $\omega$  is negative and  $\alpha$  is positive.
- D.  $\omega$  is negative and  $\alpha$  is negative.

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## Rotational Kinematics

### Linear

- $x$  specifies position. The S.I. Unit is metres.

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- Velocity,  $v_x$ , is the slope of the  $x$  vs  $t$  graph. [m/s]

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- Acceleration,  $a_x$ , is the slope of the  $v_x$  vs  $t$  graph. [m/s<sup>2</sup>]

### Rotational Analogy

- $\theta$  is **angular position**. The S.I. Unit is radians, where  $2\pi$  radians =  $360^\circ$ .

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- **Angular velocity**,  $\omega$ , is the slope of the  $\theta$  vs  $t$  graph. [rad/s]

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- **Angular Acceleration**,  $\alpha$ , is the slope of the  $\omega$  vs  $t$  graph. [rad/s<sup>2</sup>]

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## Radians are the Magical Unit!

- Radians appear and disappear as they please in your equations!!!
- They are the only unit that is allowed to do this!
- Example:  $v_t = \omega r$



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# Rotational Kinematics

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Translational motion	Rotational motion	
$v_x = v_{0x} + a_x t$	$\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t$	(9.3)
$x = x_0 + v_{0x} t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2$	$\theta = \theta_0 + \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2$	(9.6)
$2a_x(x - x_0) = v_x^2 - v_{0x}^2$	$2\alpha(\theta - \theta_0) = \omega^2 - \omega_0^2$	(9.7)

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A bicycle wheel has an initial angular velocity of 1.50 rad/s, and a constant angular acceleration of 0.200 rad/s<sup>2</sup>. Through what angle has the wheel turned between  $t = 0$  and  $t = 2.50$  s?

SKETCH & TRANSLATE.

SIMPLIFY & DIAGRAM

REPRESENT MATHEMATICALLY

SOLVE & EVALUATE

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## The “Rolling Without Skidding” Constraints

When a round object rolls without skidding, the distance the axis, or centre of mass, travels is equal to the change in angular position times the radius of the object.

$$s = \theta R$$

The speed of the centre of mass is

$$v = \omega R$$

The acceleration of the centre of mass is

$$a = \alpha R$$

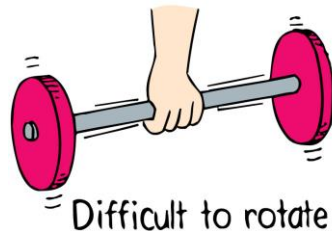
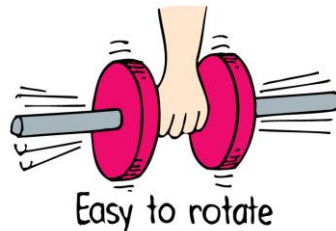


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## Rotational Inertia

Depends upon:

- mass of object.
- distribution of mass around axis of rotation.
  - The greater the distance between an object’s mass concentration and the axis, the greater the rotational inertia.



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# Rotational Inertia

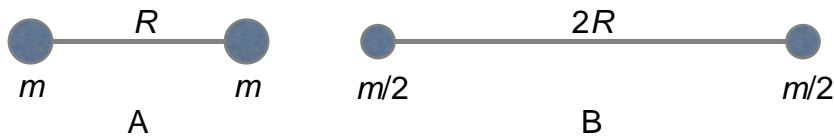
Consider a body made of  $N$  particles, each of mass  $m_i$ , where  $i = 1$  to  $N$ . Each particle is located a distance  $r_i$  from the axis of rotation. For this body made of a countable number of particles, the rotational inertia is:

$$I = m_1 r_1^2 + m_2 r_2^2 + m_3 r_3^2 + \dots = \sum_i m_i r_i^2$$

The units of rotational inertia are  $\text{kg m}^2$ . An object's rotational inertia depends on the axis of rotation.

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Which dumbbell has the larger rotational inertia about the midpoint of the rod? The connecting rod is massless.



- A. Dumbbell A.
- B. Dumbbell B
- C. Their rotational inertias are the same.

[Doc Cam Example]

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Four small metal spheres, each with mass 0.2 kg, are arranged in a square 0.40 m on a side and connected by extremely light rods.

Find the rotational inertia about an axis through the centre of the square, perpendicular to its plane.



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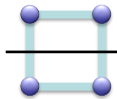
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Four small metal spheres, each with mass 0.2 kg, are arranged in a square 0.40 m on a side and connected by extremely light rods.

Find the rotational inertia about an axis through the centre of the square, parallel to its plane.



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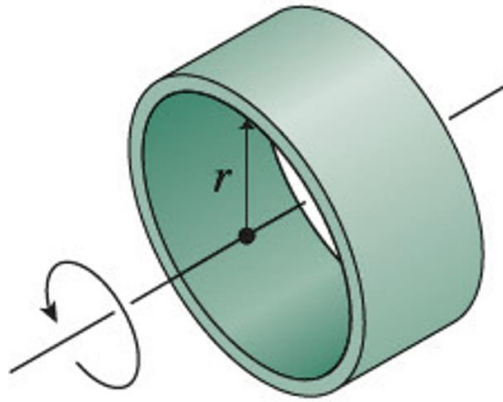
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## Rotational Inertias of Simple Objects

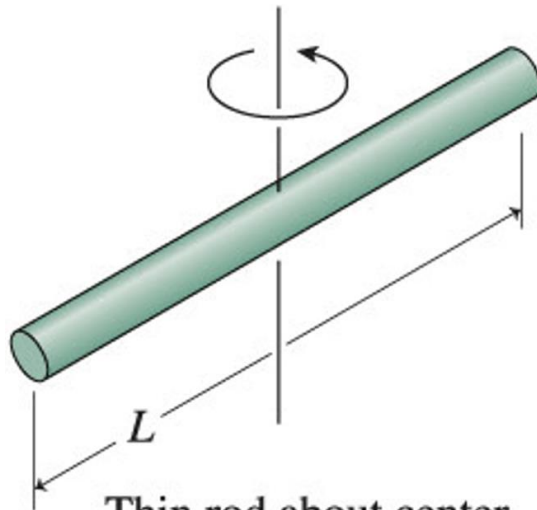


Thin ring or hollow cylinder  
about its axis

$$I = MR^2$$

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## Rotational Inertias of Simple Objects

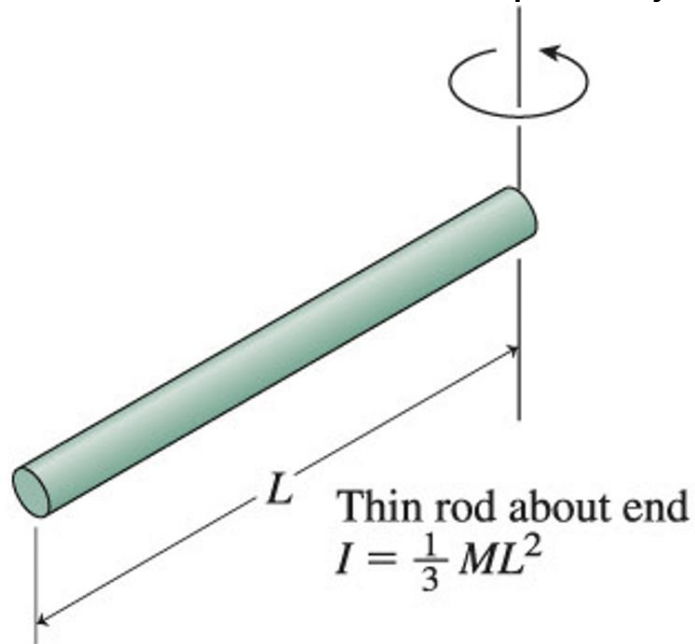


Thin rod about center

$$I = \frac{1}{12}ML^2$$

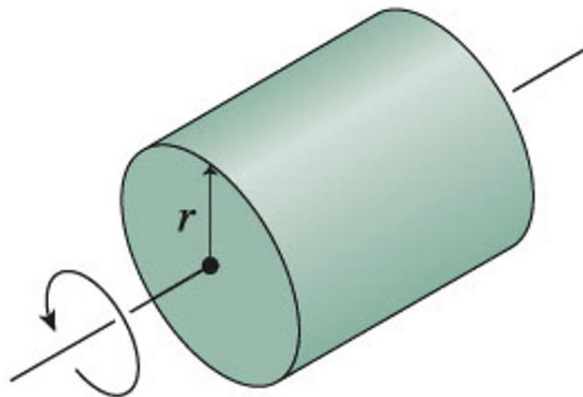
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## Rotational Inertias of Simple Objects



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## Rotational Inertias of Simple Objects



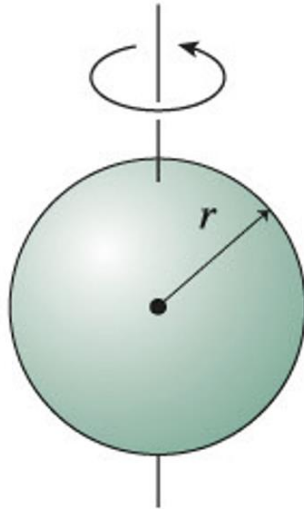
Disk or solid cylinder  
about its axis  
 $I = \frac{1}{2} MR^2$

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## Rotational Inertias of Simple Objects

Solid sphere about diameter

$$I = \frac{2}{5}MR^2$$

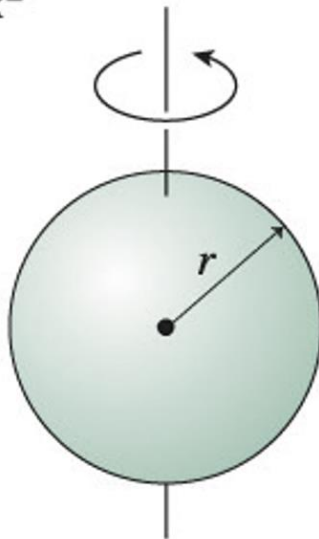


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## Rotational Inertias of Simple Objects

Hollow spherical shell about diameter

$$I = \frac{2}{3}MR^2$$



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Quick quiz..

*Rotational inertia,  $I$ , is*

- A. the rotational analog of kinetic energy.
- B. the rotational analog of mass.
- C. the rotational analog of momentum.
- D. the tendency for anything that is rotating to continue rotating.

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## Next up: Rotational Dynamics...

Linear	Rotational Analogy
• $x$	• $\theta$
• $v_x$	• $\omega$
• $a_x$	• $\alpha$

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• Force: $F_x$	• Torque: $\tau$
• Mass: $m$	• Rotational Inertia: $I$

Newton's Second Law:

$$a_x = \frac{(F_{net})_x}{m}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\tau_{net}}{I}$$

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## Before Class 27 on Friday

- Please continue reading Chapter 9:
- 9.3 Newton's Second Law for Rotational Motion
- 9.4 Rotational Momentum
  
- Plan to meet up with your Practical Pod during Friday's class – you should be able to turn on your microphone in order to participate in the TeamUp Quiz Module 5 Ch.9.
- If you cannot do the TeamUp quiz during class, it can be done either with your pod or on your own at any time over the weekend.