Description	Figure	Moment of inertia tensor
Solid <u>sphere</u> of radius <i>r</i> and mass <i>m</i>	x y	$I = egin{bmatrix} rac{2}{5}mr^2 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & rac{2}{5}mr^2 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & rac{2}{5}mr^2 \end{bmatrix}$
Hollow sphere of radius <i>r</i> and mass <i>m</i>	z ry	$I = egin{bmatrix} rac{2}{3}mr^2 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & rac{2}{3}mr^2 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & rac{2}{3}mr^2 \end{bmatrix}$
Solid ellipsoid of semi-axes a, b, c and mass m	x a b	$I = egin{bmatrix} rac{1}{5}m(b^2+c^2) & 0 & 0 \ 0 & rac{1}{5}m(a^2+c^2) & 0 \ 0 & 0 & rac{1}{5}m(a^2+b^2) \end{bmatrix}$
Right circular cone with radius r , height h and mass m , about the apex		$I = \left[egin{array}{cccc} rac{3}{5}mh^2 + rac{3}{20}mr^2 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & rac{3}{5}mh^2 + rac{3}{20}mr^2 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & rac{3}{10}mr^2 \end{array} ight]$
Solid cuboid of width <i>w</i> , height <i>h</i> , depth <i>d</i> , and mass <i>m</i>		$I = egin{bmatrix} rac{1}{12}m(h^2+d^2) & 0 & 0 \ 0 & rac{1}{12}m(w^2+d^2) & 0 \ 0 & 0 & rac{1}{12}m(w^2+h^2) \end{bmatrix}$
Slender rod along <i>y</i> -axis of length / and mass <i>m</i> about end		$I = egin{bmatrix} rac{1}{3}ml^2 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & rac{1}{3}ml^2 \end{bmatrix}$
Slender rod along <i>y</i> -axis of length / and mass <i>m</i> about center		$I = egin{bmatrix} rac{1}{12}ml^2 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & rac{1}{12}ml^2 \end{bmatrix}$
Solid cylinder of radius r , height h and mass m		$I = egin{bmatrix} rac{1}{12}m(3r^2+h^2) & 0 & 0 \ 0 & rac{1}{12}m(3r^2+h^2) & 0 \ 0 & 0 & rac{1}{2}mr^2 \end{bmatrix}$
Thick-walled cylindrical tube with open ends, of		

inner radius r_1 , outer radius r_2 , length h and mass m $h \downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad I = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{12}m(3(r_2^2+r_1^2)+h^2) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{12}m(3(r_2^2+r_1^2)+h^2) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2}m(r_2^2+r_1^2) \end{bmatrix}$

See also

- · List of second moments of area
- Parallel axis theorem
- Perpendicular axis theorem

Notes

a. Width perpendicular to the axis of rotation (side of plate); height (parallel to axis) is irrelevant.

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External links

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- Tutorial on deriving moment of inertia for common shapes (http://www.miniphysics.com/uy1-calculation-of-moment-of-inertia-of-2.html)

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