

## 1 | External Torque

Proof:

$$\vec{\tau}_{total \ ext} = \frac{d\vec{L}_{system}}{dt} \quad (1)$$

According to the work that is already done, we have that:

$$\frac{d\vec{L}_{system}}{dt} = \vec{\tau}_{tot \ ext} + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} \left[ (\vec{r}_i \times \vec{F}_{j \rightarrow i}) + (\vec{r}_j \times \vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j}) \right] \quad (2)$$

The left expression  $\vec{\tau}_{tot \ ext}$  already achieves what we want in terms of the final expression, so the right expression must cancel to 0.

We first begin by recognizing, by Newton's Third Law,  $\vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j} = -\vec{F}_{j \rightarrow i}$  as long as both objects are within the system. Therefore, we will first begin by making this substitution below:

$$(\vec{r}_i \times \vec{F}_{j \rightarrow i}) + (\vec{r}_j \times \vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j}) = (\vec{r}_j \times \vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j}) - (\vec{r}_i \times \vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j}) \quad (3)$$

We further understand that the cross-product is distributive across addition; therefore:

$$(\vec{r}_i \times \vec{F}_{j \rightarrow i}) + (\vec{r}_j \times \vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j}) = (\vec{r}_j \times \vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j}) - (\vec{r}_i \times \vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j}) \quad (4)$$

$$= (\vec{r}_j - \vec{r}_i) \times \vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j} \quad (5)$$

At this point, we realise that a vector  $\vec{r}_i$  subtracted from  $\vec{r}_j$  is a vector  $i \rightarrow j$ , which would be parallel to  $\vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j}$ . As such, their cross products would be zero.

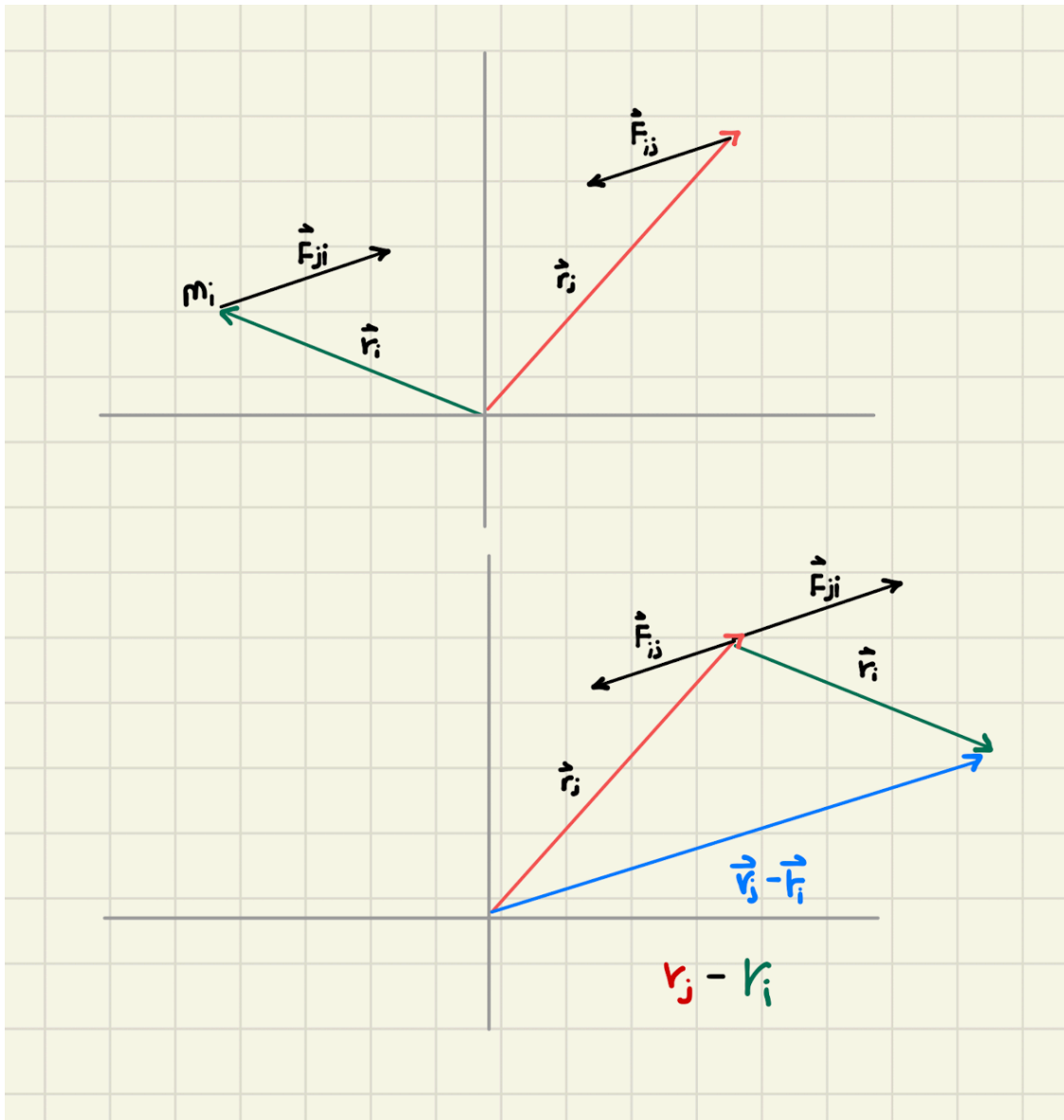
Completing the proof, then:

$$\frac{d\vec{L}_{system}}{dt} = \vec{\tau}_{tot \ ext} + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} \left[ (\vec{r}_i \times \vec{F}_{j \rightarrow i}) + (\vec{r}_j \times \vec{F}_{i \rightarrow j}) \right] \quad (6)$$

$$= \vec{\tau}_{tot \ ext} + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} 0 \quad (7)$$

$$= \vec{\tau}_{tot \ ext} + 0 \quad (8)$$

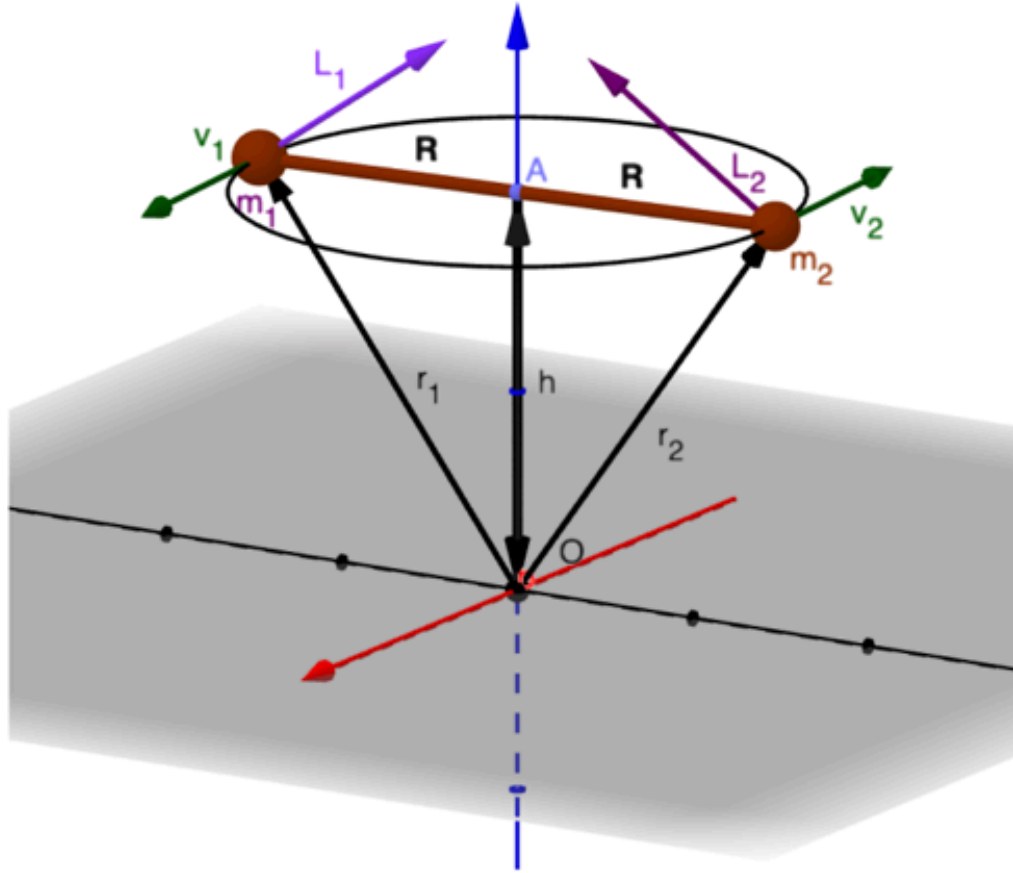
$$= \vec{\tau}_{tot \ ext} \blacksquare \quad (9)$$



## 2 | Two Rotating Point Masses

We do this problem by calculating the angular momentum of each of the  $m_{\{1,2\}}$ , and adding the angular accelerations together.

The system is given by this figure:



We define a coordinate such that the "figure"'s left is the negative y direction, the "figure"'s right is the positive y direction. The side "outside" the page is the positive x direction, and the side "inside" the page is the negative x direction.

## 2.1 | Angular Momentum from $m_1$

We begin with the expression for tangential velocity, which is simply  $R\omega$ .

Therefore:

$$\vec{V} = (R\hat{j})(\omega\hat{k}) \quad (10)$$

$$= (R\omega)(\hat{j}\hat{k}) \quad (11)$$

$$= R\omega\hat{i} \quad (12)$$

We will supply this expression for that of the angular momentum:  $\vec{R} \times m\vec{V}$ :

$$\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times m\vec{V} \quad (13)$$

$$= (-R\hat{j} + h\hat{k}) \times m(R\omega\hat{i}) \quad (14)$$

$$= -R\hat{j} \times mR\omega\vec{i} + h\hat{k} \times mR\omega\vec{i} \quad (15)$$

$$= -mR^2\omega(\hat{j} \times \hat{i}) + hmR\omega(\hat{k} \times \hat{i}) \quad (16)$$

$$= mR^2\omega\hat{k} + hmR\omega\hat{j} \quad (17)$$

## 2.2 | Angular Momentum from $m_2$

The calculations here is essentially almost the same. We just need to take a few sign changes as  $R$  in  $m_2$  is in the opposite direction as  $R$  in  $m_1$ .

Therefore:

$$\vec{V} = (-R\hat{j})(\omega\hat{k}) \quad (18)$$

$$= (-R\omega)(\hat{j}\hat{k}) \quad (19)$$

$$= -R\omega\hat{i} \quad (20)$$

And, as with before, we supply it to the previous expression.

$$\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times m\vec{V} \quad (21)$$

$$= (R\hat{j} + h\hat{k}) \times m(-R\omega\hat{i}) \quad (22)$$

$$= R\hat{j} \times -mR\omega\vec{i} + h\hat{k} \times -mR\omega\vec{i} \quad (23)$$

$$= -mR^2\omega(\hat{j} \times \vec{i}) - hmR\omega(\hat{k} \times \vec{i}) \quad (24)$$

$$= mR^2\omega\hat{k} - hmR\omega\hat{j} \quad (25)$$

## 2.3 | Summing the $\vec{L}_i$ s

We will now sub the two  $\vec{L}_i$  s together:

$$\vec{L}_1 + \vec{L}_2 = mR^2\omega\hat{k} + hmR\omega\hat{j} + mR^2\omega\hat{k} - hmR\omega\hat{j} \quad (26)$$

$$= mR^2\omega\hat{k} + mR^2\omega\hat{k} + hmR\omega\hat{j} - hmR\omega\hat{j} \quad (27)$$

$$= 2mR^2\omega\hat{k} + 0 \quad (28)$$

$$= 2mR^2\omega\hat{k} \blacksquare \quad (29)$$

# 3 | Rigid Body Generalization

## 3.1 | N-Mass Formula

We will think about a single mass  $m_i$  in isolation. We will use  $\ell_i$  to represent the perpendicular distance from  $m_i$  to  $\hat{k}$ .

We begin by analyzing some  $m_i$ , and add all  $m_i$  together.

### 3.2 | The angular momentum of $m_i$

For every object  $m_i$ , we take it being arranged at some  $\theta$  between  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$ . We will perform the same procedures as with above to calculate angular momentum.

$\ell_i$  is angled between  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$ . Specifically, it is located at:

$$\ell_i = \cos(\theta)\ell_i\hat{i} + \sin(\theta)\ell_i\hat{j} \quad (30)$$

We will calculate the tangential velocity, as usual:

$$\vec{V} = (\cos(\theta)\ell_i\hat{i} + \sin(\theta)\ell_i\hat{j})(\omega\hat{k}) \quad (31)$$

$$= \cos(\theta)\ell_i(\omega\hat{k})\hat{i} + \sin(\theta)\ell_i(\omega\hat{k})\hat{j} \quad (32)$$

$$= \cos(\theta)\ell_i\omega(\hat{k}\hat{i}) + \sin(\theta)\ell_i\omega(\hat{k}\hat{j}) \quad (33)$$

$$= \cos(\theta)\ell_i\omega\hat{j} - \sin(\theta)\ell_i\omega\hat{i} \quad (34)$$

And, as with before, we will supply it to the expression for angular momentum.

$$\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times m\vec{V} \quad (35)$$

$$= (\cos(\theta)\ell_i\hat{i} + \sin(\theta)\ell_i\hat{j} + h\hat{k}) \times m(\cos(\theta)\ell_i\omega\hat{j} - \sin(\theta)\ell_i\omega\hat{i}) \quad (36)$$

$$= (\cos(\theta)\ell_i\hat{i} + \sin(\theta)\ell_i\hat{j} + h\hat{k}) \times (m\cos(\theta)\ell_i\omega\hat{j} - m\sin(\theta)\ell_i\omega\hat{i}) \quad (37)$$

We will now compute the actual cross product:

$$\vec{L} = (hm\cos\theta\ell_i\omega)\hat{i} + \quad (38)$$

$$(hmsin\theta\ell_i\omega)\hat{j} + \quad (39)$$

$$(m\omega(\cos\theta\ell_i)^2 + m\omega(\sin\theta\ell_i)^2)\hat{k} \quad (40)$$

Let's expand the last term slightly:

$$m\omega(\cos\theta\ell_i)^2 + m\omega(\sin\theta\ell_i)^2 \quad (41)$$

$$= m\omega(\cos\theta\ell_i)^2 + m\omega(\sin\theta\ell_i)^2 \quad (42)$$

$$= m\omega \cos^2\theta\ell_i^2 + m\omega \sin^2\theta\ell_i^2 \quad (43)$$

$$= m\omega(1 - \sin^2\theta)\ell_i^2 + m\omega \sin^2\theta\ell_i^2 \quad (44)$$

$$= m\omega\ell_i^2 - m\omega\ell_i^2\sin^2\theta + m\omega \sin^2\theta\ell_i^2 \quad (45)$$

$$= m\omega\ell_i^2 \quad (46)$$

And therefore, we can re-write the following expression for  $\vec{L}$ :

$$\vec{L} = (hm\cos\theta\ell_i\omega)\hat{i} + \quad (47)$$

$$(hmsin\theta\ell_i\omega)\hat{j} + \quad (48)$$

$$m\omega\ell_i^2\hat{k} \quad (49)$$

### 3.3 | Angular momentum of the system

Therefore, the total momentum of the system would be:

$$\vec{L} = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( hm \cos \left( \frac{2\pi i}{N} \right) \ell_i \omega \right) \hat{i} + \left( hm \sin \left( \frac{2\pi i}{N} \right) \ell_i \omega \right) \hat{j} + m\omega \ell_i^2 \hat{k} \quad (50)$$

At this point, we need to remember the fact that the points in the generalized formula we are to derive are axially symmetric. This means that the components  $\cos\theta\hat{i}$  and  $\sin(\theta)\hat{j}$  will, pairwise, cancel each other out.

$$\vec{L} = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( hm \cos \left( \frac{2\pi i}{N} \right) \ell_i \omega \right) \hat{i} + \left( hm \sin \left( \frac{2\pi i}{N} \right) \ell_i \omega \right) \hat{j} + m\omega \ell_i^2 \hat{k} \quad (51)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N 0 + m\omega \ell_i^2 \hat{k} \quad (52)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N m\omega \ell_i^2 \hat{k} \quad (53)$$

$$= \hat{k} \omega \sum_{i=1}^N m \ell_i^2 \quad (54)$$

### 3.4 | Actual Integral Expression

Our object has total mass  $M$  and volume  $V_0$ . We will now determine an integral expression for its angular momentum.

So far, we have that:

$$\vec{L} = \hat{k} \omega \sum_{i=1}^N m \ell_i^2 \quad (55)$$

We will convert  $\ell_i = \ell(m)$ , a function in terms of differential mass  $m$  that maps mass to the distance from  $z$  axis  $\ell$ .

Hence:

$$\vec{L} = \hat{k} \omega \sum_{i=1}^N m \ell_i^2 \quad (56)$$

$$= \hat{k} \omega \int_V \ell^2 dm \quad (57)$$

$$= \hat{k} \omega \int_V \ell^2 \frac{dm}{dv} dV \quad (58)$$

$$= \hat{k} \omega \int_V \ell^2 \frac{M}{V_0} dV \quad (59)$$

In our last step, we can see that the ratio between differential  $\frac{dm}{dv}$  can be equivalent—as all components of this system are point masses—to the overall  $\frac{M}{V_0}$ .

## 4 | The Rod

In this problem, we essentially have a line of aligned infinitesimal point masses around the -center. For every point  $i$ , we understand that its tangential velocity can be modeled by:

$$\vec{V} = (\ell_i \hat{j})(\omega \hat{k}) \quad (60)$$

$$= (\ell_i \omega)(\hat{j} \hat{k}) \quad (61)$$

$$= \ell_i \omega \hat{i} \quad (62)$$

We again supply this expression into that for  $\vec{L}$ :

$$\vec{L}_i = \vec{r} \times m_i \vec{V} \quad (63)$$

$$= (\ell_i \hat{j} + h \hat{k}) \times m_i \ell_i \omega \hat{i} \quad (64)$$

$$= \ell_i m_i \ell_i \omega (\hat{j} \times \hat{i}) + h m_i \ell_i \omega (\hat{k} \times \hat{i}) \quad (65)$$

$$= -h m_i \ell_i \omega \hat{j} + \ell_i^2 m_i \omega \hat{k} \quad (66)$$

To figure the actual momentum, we will have to sum the momentums for all  $i$ :

$$\vec{L} = \sum_i \vec{L}_i = \sum_i \left( -h m_i \ell_i \omega \hat{j} + \ell_i^2 m_i \omega \hat{k} \right) \quad (67)$$

Of course, to actually perform the summation, we integrate over each differential mass:

$$\int_L \left( -h \ell \omega \hat{j} + \ell^2 \omega \hat{k} \right) dm \quad (68)$$

$$= \omega \int_L \left( -h \ell \hat{j} + \ell^2 \hat{k} \right) dm \quad (69)$$

$$= \omega \int_L \left( -h \ell \hat{j} + \ell^2 \hat{k} \right) \frac{dm}{dl} dl \quad (70)$$

$$= \omega \int_L \left( -h \ell \hat{j} + \ell^2 \hat{k} \right) \lambda dl \quad (71)$$

$$= \omega \lambda \int_L \left( -h \ell \hat{j} + \ell^2 \hat{k} \right) dl \quad (72)$$

We now supply the integral with actual bounds:  $[-\frac{L}{2}, \frac{L}{2}]$ .

$$\omega\lambda \int_L \left(-h\ell\hat{j} + \ell^2\hat{k}\right) dl \quad (73)$$

$$=\omega\lambda \int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} \left(-h\ell\hat{j} + \ell^2\hat{k}\right) dl \quad (74)$$

$$=\omega\lambda \left( \int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} -h\ell\hat{j} dl + \int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} \ell^2\hat{k} dl \right) \quad (75)$$

$$=\omega\lambda \left( h\hat{j} \int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} \ell dl - \hat{k} \int_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} \ell^2 dl \right) \quad (76)$$

$$=\omega\lambda \left( -h\hat{j} \frac{\ell^2}{2} + \hat{k} \frac{\ell^3}{3} \right) \Big|_{-\frac{L}{2}}^{\frac{L}{2}} \quad (77)$$

$$=\omega\lambda \left( -h\hat{j} \frac{\frac{L^2}{2}}{2} + \hat{k} \frac{\frac{L^3}{3}}{3} \right) - \left( -h\hat{j} \frac{\frac{-L^2}{2}}{2} + \hat{k} \frac{\frac{-L^3}{3}}{3} \right) \quad (78)$$

$$=2 \frac{L^3}{24} \omega\lambda\hat{k} \quad (79)$$

$$=\frac{L^3}{12} \omega\lambda\hat{k} \quad (80)$$

We continue be realizing that  $\lambda = \frac{M}{L}$ . Supplying that to the equation:

$$\frac{L^3}{12} \omega\lambda\hat{k} \quad (81)$$

$$=\frac{L^3}{12} \omega \frac{M}{L} \hat{k} \quad (82)$$

$$=\frac{L^2}{12} M\omega\hat{k} \quad (83)$$

$$=\frac{1}{12} L^2 M\omega\hat{k} \quad (84)$$

## 5 | The Disk

Our original expression for the momentum in the system is the same.

$$\vec{L}_i = \vec{r} \times m_i \vec{V} \quad (85)$$

$$= m\omega\ell_i^2 \hat{k} \quad (86)$$

We will have to add the angular momentum in two directions to get that of a disk:

$$\vec{L} = \sum_i \vec{L}_i = \sum_A \vec{L}_i \quad (87)$$

where,  $A$  is the area of the surface.

To begin doing this, we will construct the differential operator for a disk. We understand the circumference of the circle is  $2\pi r$  for some radius  $r$ . Furthermore, for a small ring with infinitesimal thickness  $dr$ , it has an area of  $2\pi r dr$ .



Therefore:

$$da = 2\pi r dr \quad (88)$$

We finally want to find the expression for differential mass. Of course, it is simply the mass density  $\frac{dm}{da}$  multiplied by the value of  $da$ .

$$dm = \frac{dm}{da} da \quad (89)$$

$$= \sigma da \quad (90)$$

$$= \frac{M}{\pi R^2} da \quad (91)$$

$$= \frac{M}{\pi R^2} 2\pi r dr \quad (92)$$

$$= \frac{2rM}{R^2} dr \quad (93)$$

We can now finally take the integral:

$$\int_0^R \vec{L}_i \quad (94)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^R \omega r^2 \hat{k} dm \quad (95)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^R \omega r^2 \hat{k} \frac{2rM}{R^2} dr \quad (96)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^R \omega \hat{k} \frac{2r^3 M}{R^2} dr \quad (97)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2M\omega}{R^2} \hat{k} \int_0^R r^3 dr \quad (98)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2M\omega}{R^2} \hat{k} \left( \frac{r^4}{4} \Big|_0^R \right) \quad (99)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2M\omega}{R^2} \hat{k} \frac{R^4}{4} \quad (100)$$

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$$(102)$$