

## 1 | 1)

To finish the proof... Given two objects,  $A$  and  $B$ , with a force  $F$  between them, the torque on  $A$  and  $B$  is given by

$$\tau_A = \vec{r}_A \times \vec{F}_A$$

$$\tau_B = \vec{r}_B \times \vec{F}_B$$

where  $\vec{F}_A$  is the force applied by  $B$  on  $A$ , and vice versa. We know that because of N-3  $\vec{F}_A = -\vec{F}_B$ . (We

$$\tau_{AB} = \tau_A + \tau_B$$

also know that the forces point towards each object.) Therefore,

$$= \vec{r}_A \times \vec{F}_A + \vec{r}_B \times \vec{F}_B$$

$$= \vec{r}_A \times \vec{F}_A + \vec{r}_B \times -\vec{F}_A$$

We know that the direction of the two cross products are orthogonal to the plane that the two objects' position vectors and the origin of the system form.

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_{AB} &= \vec{r}_A \times \vec{F}_A + \vec{r}_B \times -\vec{F}_A \\ &= |\vec{r}_A||\vec{F}_A| \sin \theta_A - |\vec{r}_B||\vec{F}_A| \sin \theta_B \\ &= |\vec{r}_A| \sin \theta_A - |\vec{r}_B| \sin \theta_B\end{aligned}$$

The law of sines states that for a triangle  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\frac{\overline{BC}}{\sin \theta_A} = \frac{\overline{AC}}{\sin \theta_B}$ . We know that this applies in our particular proof because the objects  $A$ ,  $B$ , and the origin form a triangle. As such,

$$|\vec{r}_A| \sin \theta_A = |\vec{r}_B| \sin \theta_B$$

$$\tau_{AB} = 0$$

The internal torque of any two objects of a system is zero, so the total internal torque must also be zero.

## 2 | 2)

$$\vec{r} = R\hat{i} + h\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{L}_1 = \vec{r} \times m\vec{v}$$

We know that for one of the masses:  $\vec{v} = R\omega\hat{j}$

$$\vec{L}_1 = (R\hat{i} + h\hat{k}) \times mR\omega\hat{j}$$

$$= -h m R \omega \hat{i} + m R^2 \omega \hat{k}$$

We know that there are two masses, symmetric about the z-axis, so we know that the angular momentum of the other object can be derived just by multiplying the  $\hat{i}$  and  $\hat{j}$  terms by -1.

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{L}_2 &= \vec{L}_1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= h m R \omega \hat{i} + m R^2 \omega \hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

We can add the two to get the aggregate angular momentum of the system:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{L} &= \vec{L}_1 + \vec{L}_2 \\ &= (-hmR\omega\hat{i} + mR^2\omega\hat{k}) + (hmR\omega\hat{i} + mR^2\omega\hat{k}) \\ &= 2mR^2\omega\hat{k}\end{aligned}$$

3 | **3)**

3.1 | **a)**