

GP1 HW7

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Problem 1 (Angular momentum conservation)

(1) The angular momentum is conserved

$$mv_1r_1 = mv_2r_2. \quad (1.1)$$

Thus,

$$v_2 = \frac{r_1}{r_2}v_1. \quad (1.2)$$

(2) Work-energy theorem:

$$W = \frac{1}{2}mv_2^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv_1^2 = \frac{1}{2}mv_1^2 \left(1 - \frac{r_1^2}{r_2^2}\right). \quad (1.3)$$

(3)

$$F = m \frac{v^2}{r} = m \frac{v_1^2 r_1^2}{r_2^3}. \quad (1.4)$$

Problem 2 (A toy of yo-yo)

(1) Suppose the friction be f , acceleration be a , and then the angular acceleration is $\beta = \frac{a}{R}$ since no slipping.

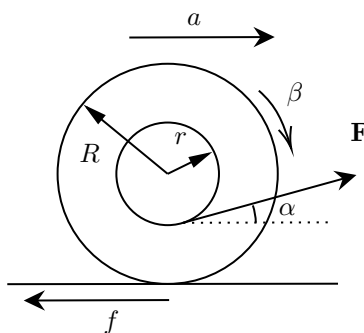


Figure 1: Toy of yo-yo

We have

$$F \cos \alpha - f = ma, \quad (2.1)$$

$$fR - Fr = I \frac{a}{R}. \quad (2.2)$$

So,

$$a = F \frac{R \cos \alpha - r}{mR + I/R}. \quad (2.3)$$

(2) When $F > \frac{mg}{\sin \alpha}$, the yo-yo can be lift off the table.

Problem 3 (Bounce back)

Suppose the force in horizontal given by table during the collision is F . Then,

$$F = ma, \quad (3.1)$$

$$F(h - r) = \frac{2}{5}mr^2\beta. \quad (3.2)$$

Since it is still a pure rolling,

$$r\beta = a. \quad (3.3)$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{h}{r} = \frac{7}{5}. \quad (3.4)$$

Problem 4 (Euler equations)

(1)

$$\frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt} = \frac{\tilde{d}\mathbf{L}}{dt} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{L} = 0. \quad (4.1)$$

So the angular momentum is conserved.

(2)

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{I} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}. \quad (4.2)$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \mathbf{L}. \quad (4.3)$$

Since \mathbf{I} is a symmetric second order tensor,

$$\frac{d\boldsymbol{\omega}}{dt} \cdot \mathbf{I} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \mathbf{I} \cdot \frac{d\boldsymbol{\omega}}{dt} \quad (4.4)$$

$$2 \frac{dT}{dt} = \frac{d\boldsymbol{\omega}}{dt} \cdot \mathbf{L} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt} = 2\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt} = 0. \quad (4.5)$$

So the kinetic energy of rotation is a constant.