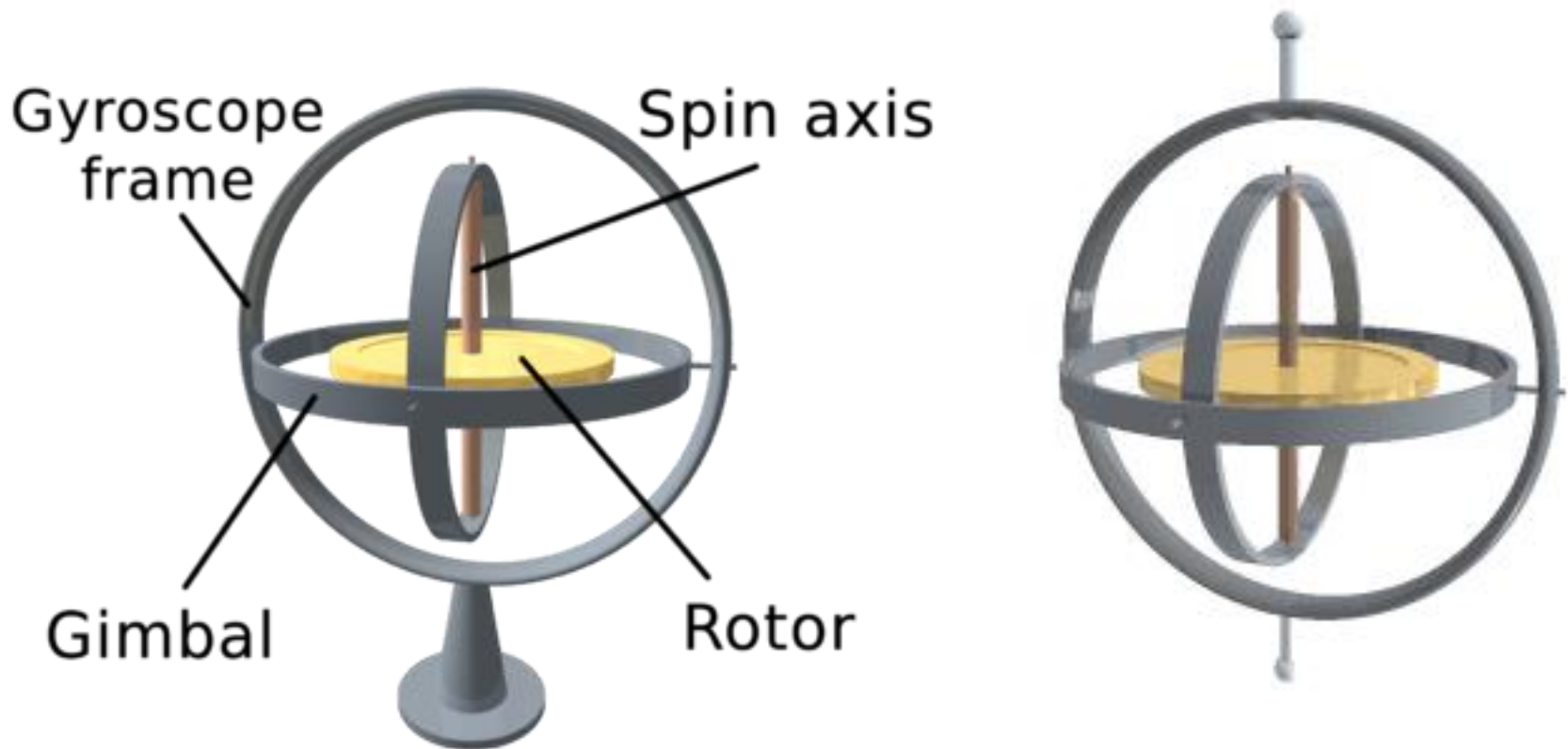
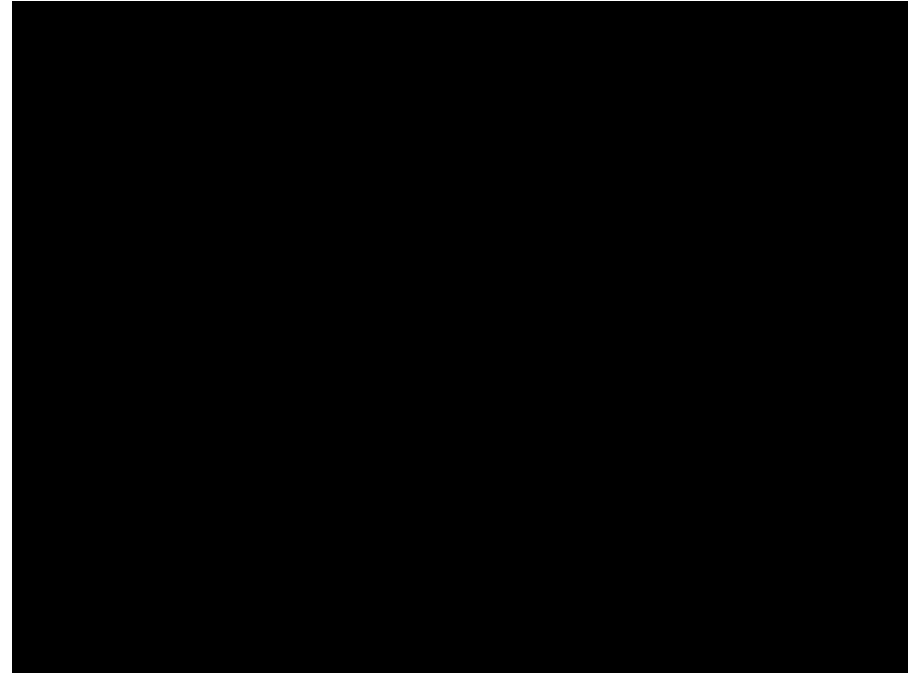


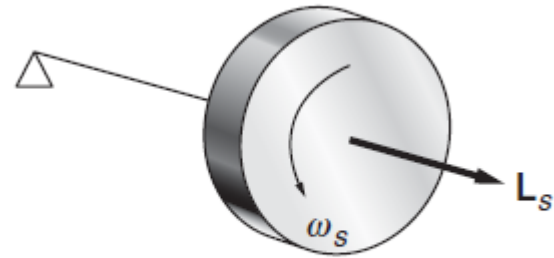
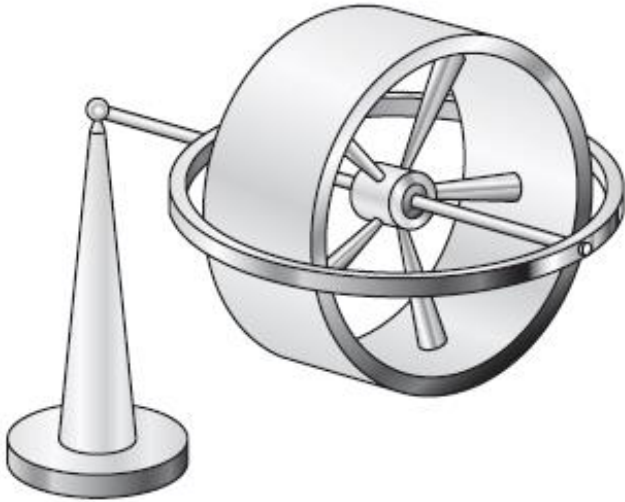
# Gyroscope and its applications



# Gyroscope

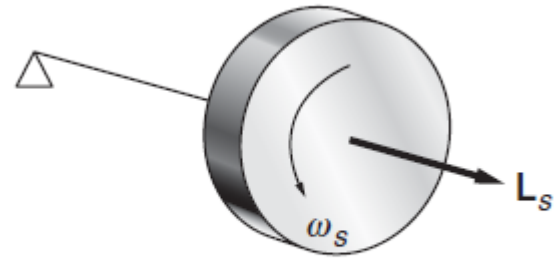
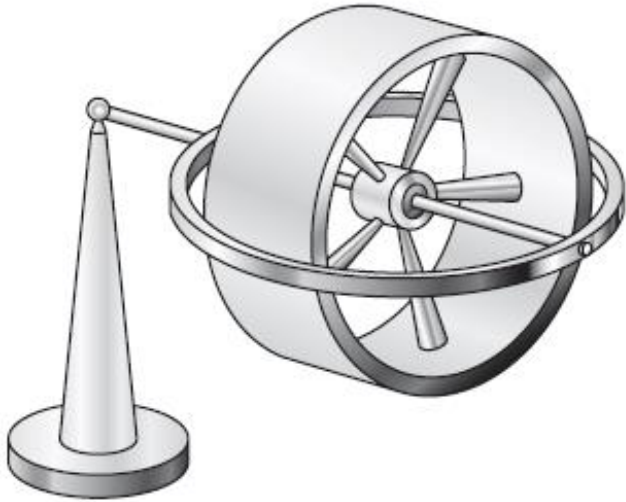


# Gyroscope



Uniform precession is consistent with  $\boldsymbol{\tau} = \frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt}$  and Newton's law.

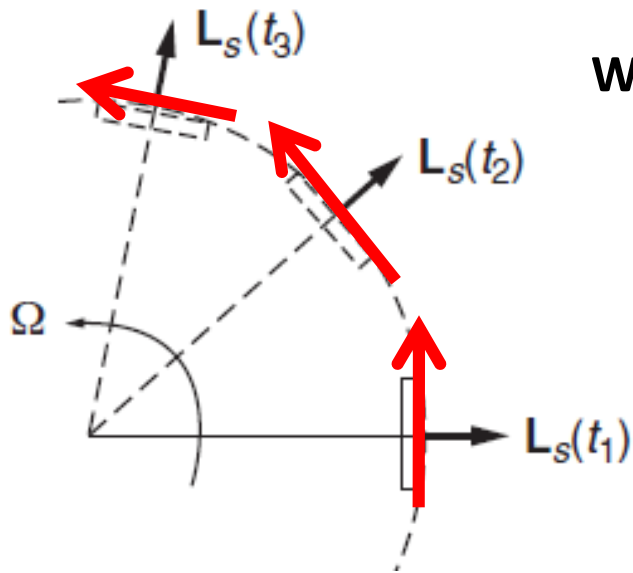
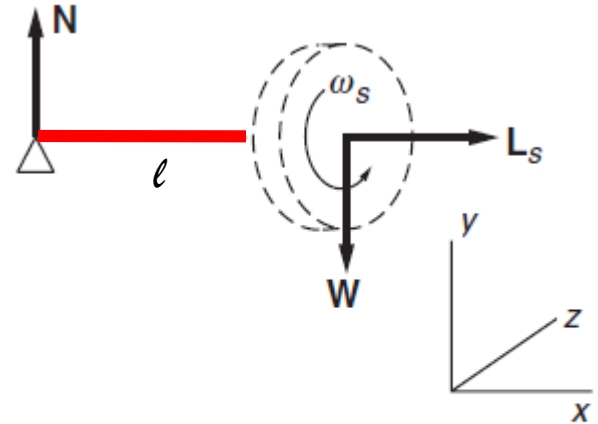
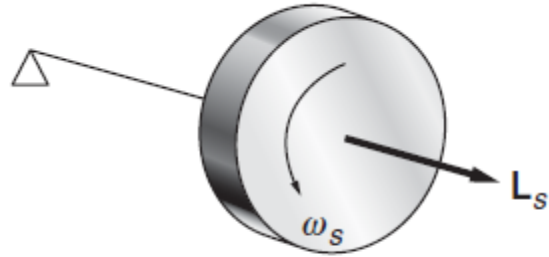
# Gyroscope



Why gyroscope does not fall?



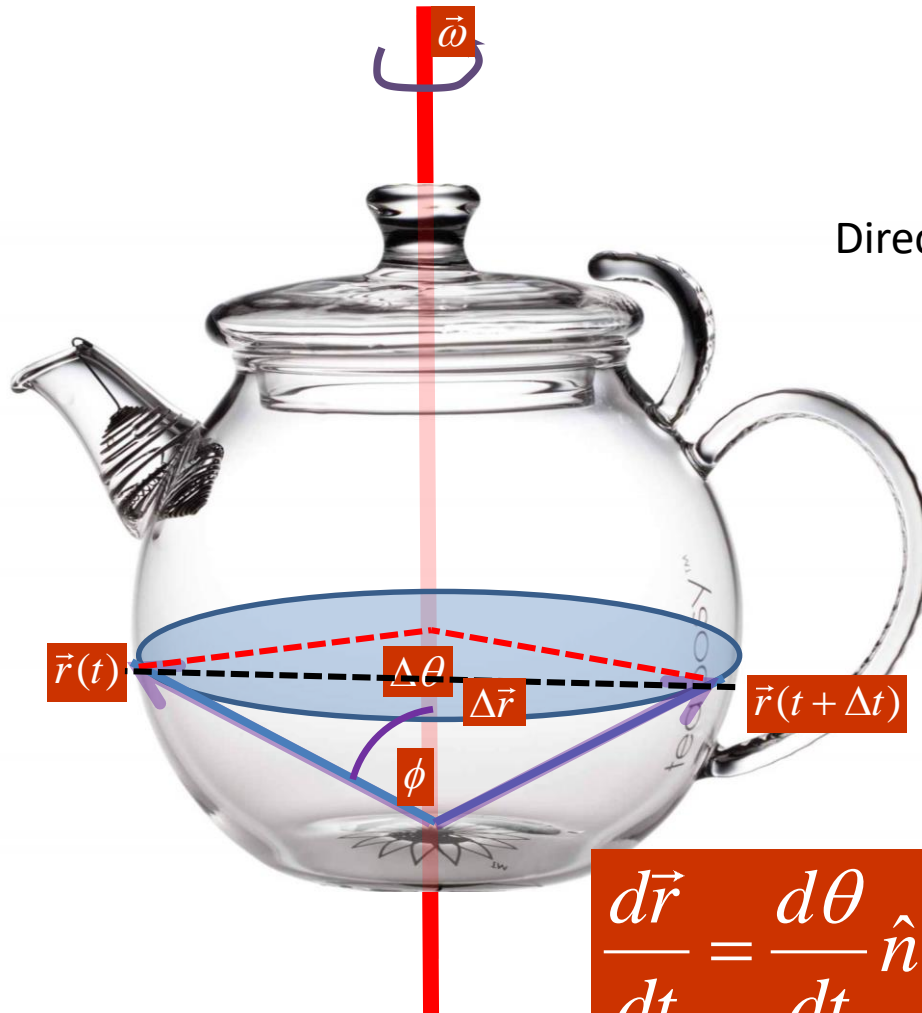
# Gyroscope Precision



Why it does not swing about pivot like a pendulum?

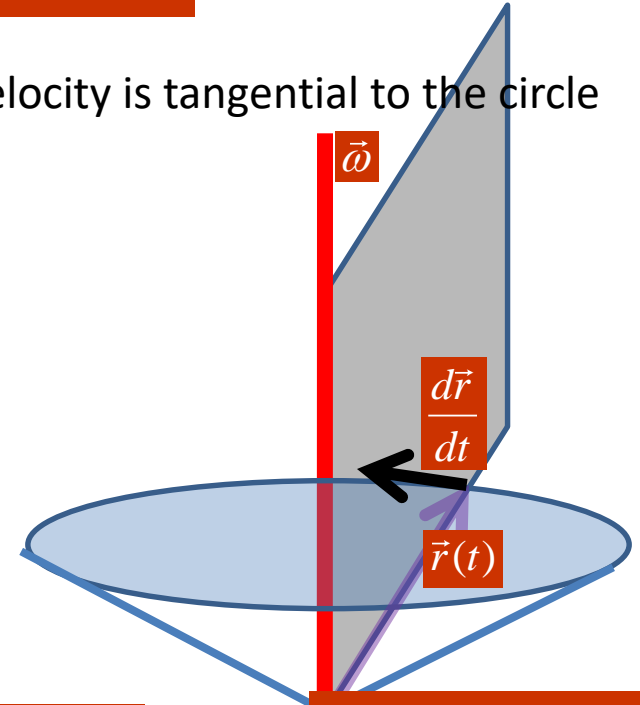
$$\left| \frac{dL_s}{dt} \right| = ?$$

# Vector nature of angular velocity and angular momentum



$$\left| \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right| = r \sin \phi \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

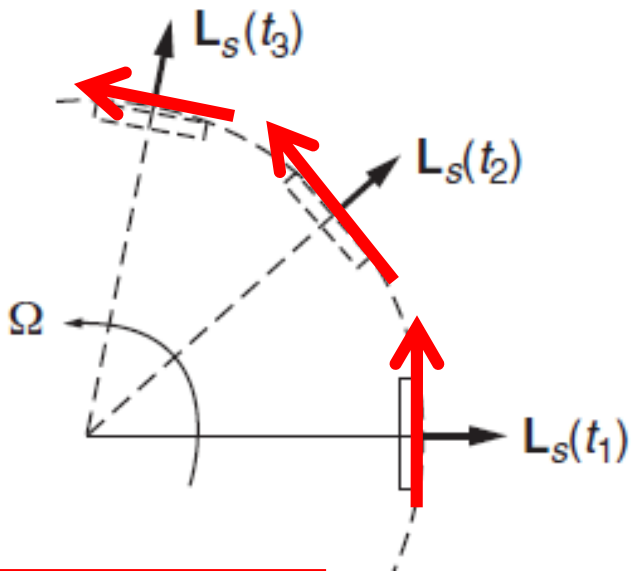
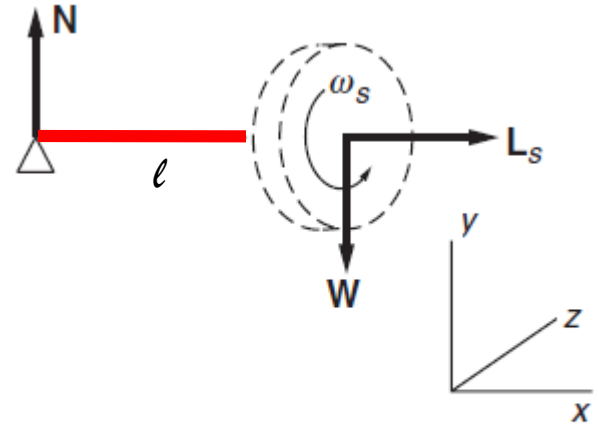
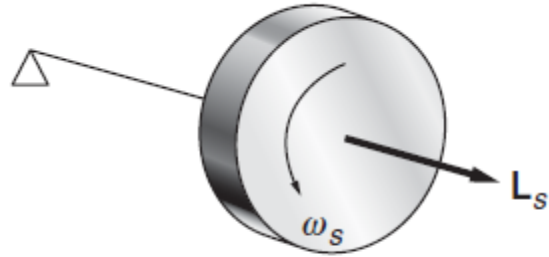
Direction of velocity is tangential to the circle



$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \hat{n} \times \vec{r} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{A}$$

# Gyroscope Precision



$$\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} = \vec{\Omega} \times \vec{A}$$

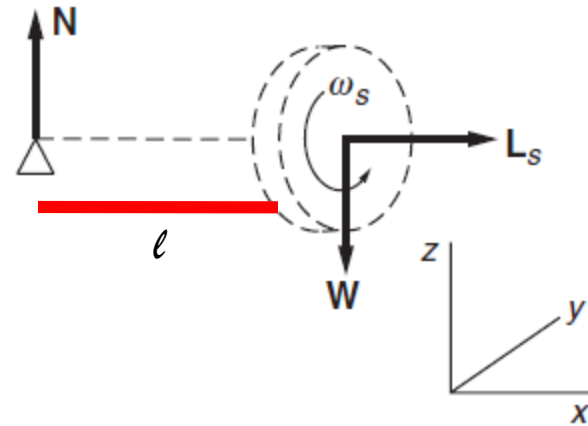
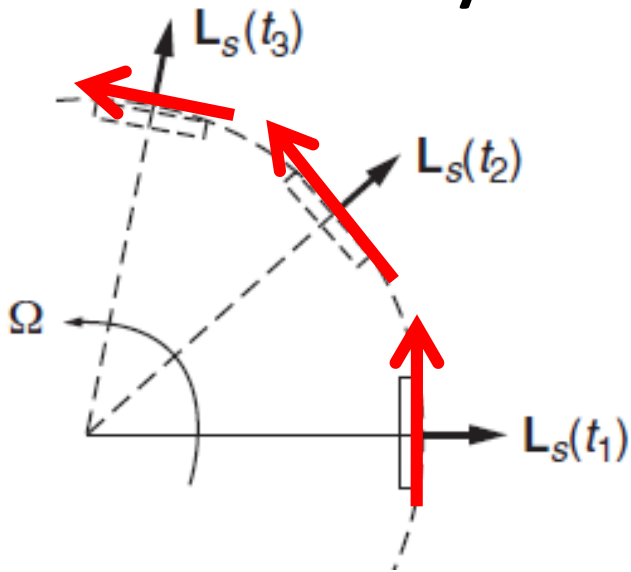
$$\left| \frac{dL_s}{dt} \right| = \Omega L_s$$

Direction is tangential

$$\tau = lW$$

There must be a torque on the gyroscope to account for the change in  $L_s$

# Gyroscope Precision



$$lW = \Omega L_s$$

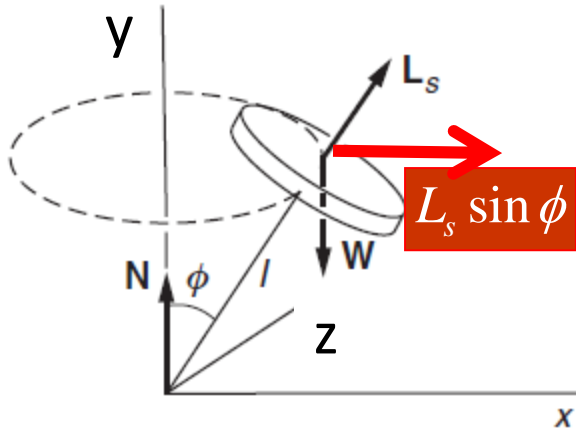
$$lW = \Omega I_0 \omega_s$$

**Rate of precession**

$$\Omega = \frac{lW}{I_0 \omega_s}$$



# Gyroscope Precision



Consider a gyroscope in uniform precession with its axle at angle  $\phi$  with vertical

The horizontal component of angular momentum is  $L_s \sin \phi$

$$\left| \frac{dL_s}{dt} \right| = \Omega L_s \sin \phi$$

$$lW \sin \phi = \Omega L_s \sin \phi$$

$$\Omega = \frac{lW}{I_0 \omega_s}$$

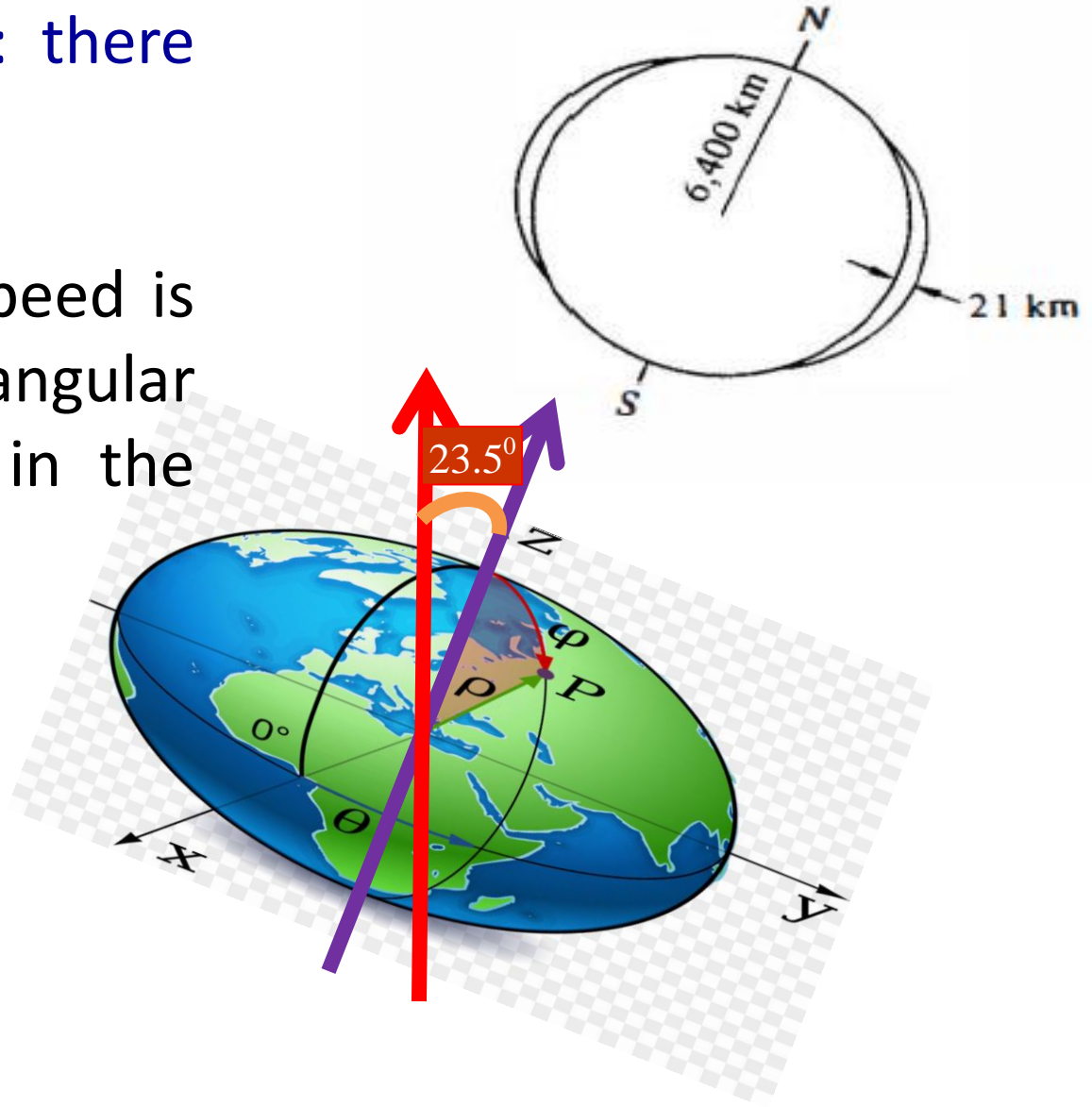
The precessional velocity is independent of  $\phi$

# Some applications of Gyroscopic motion

## a. Precession of the equinoxes

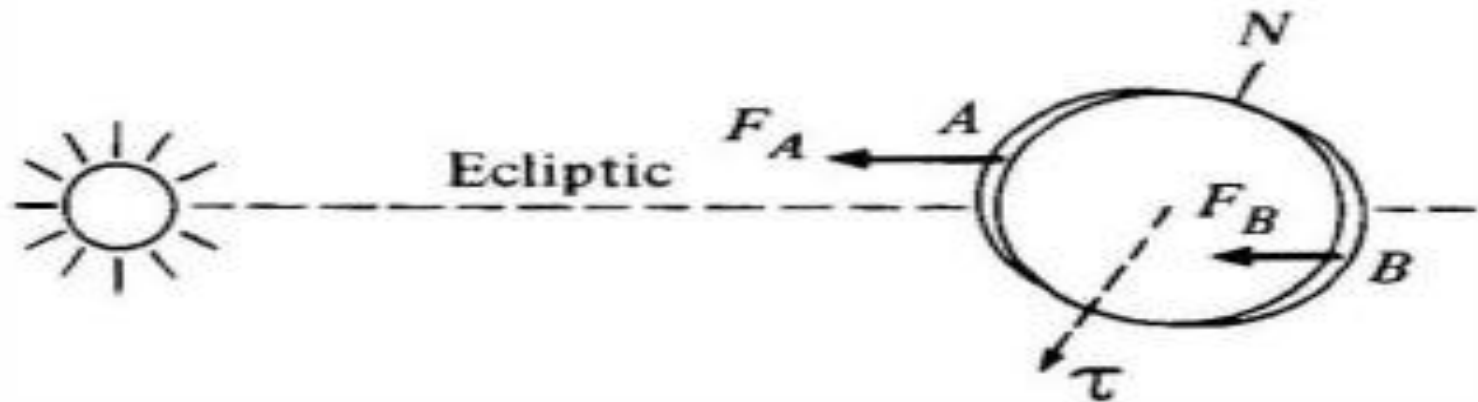
First approximation: there are no torques

Earth's Rotational speed is constant and angular momentum points in the same direction.

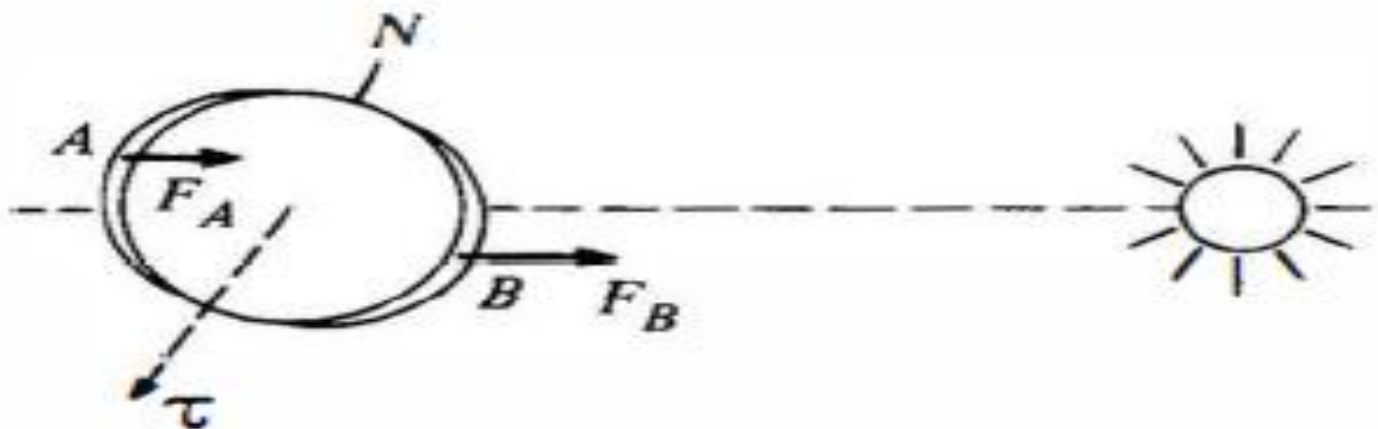


# Torque on the earth

Winter



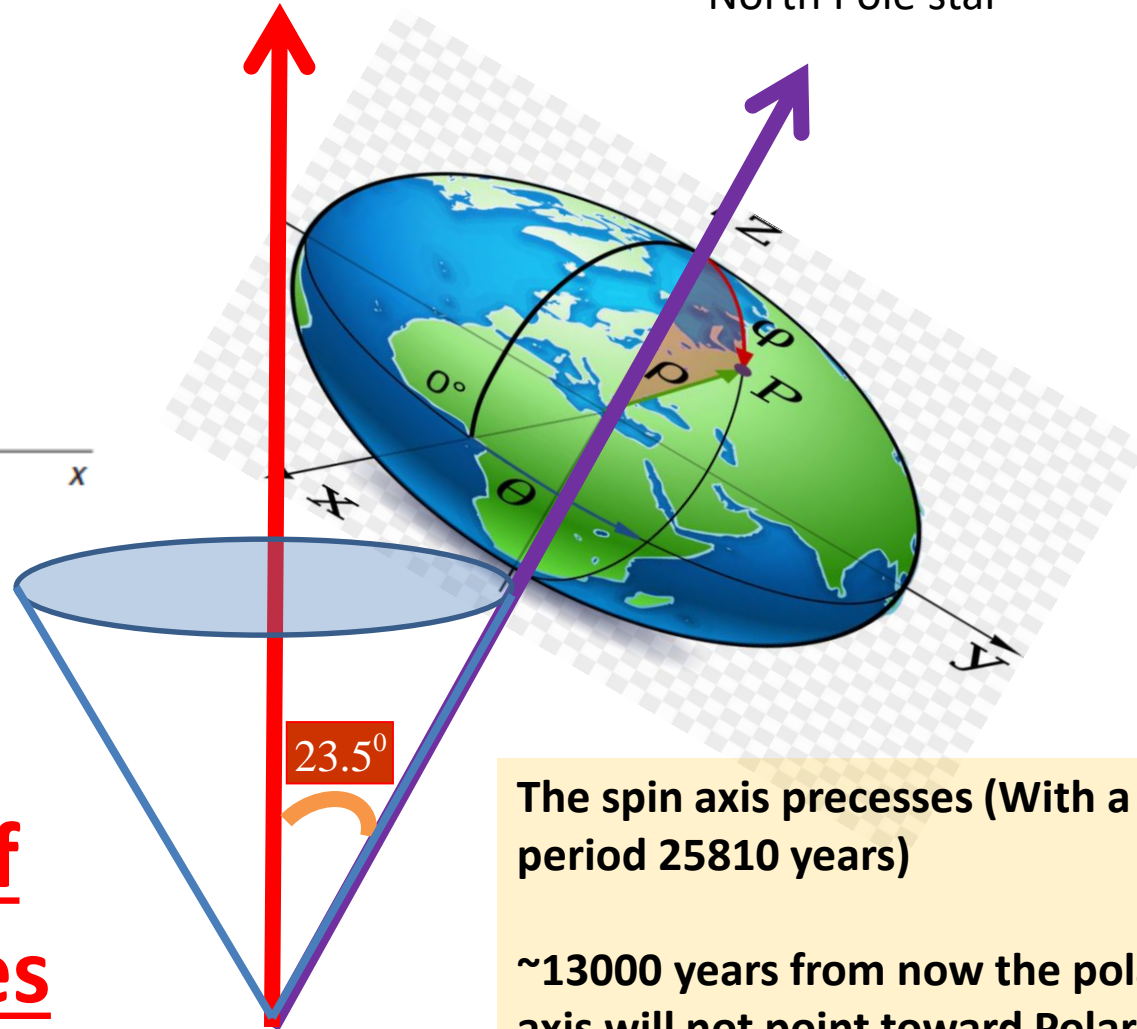
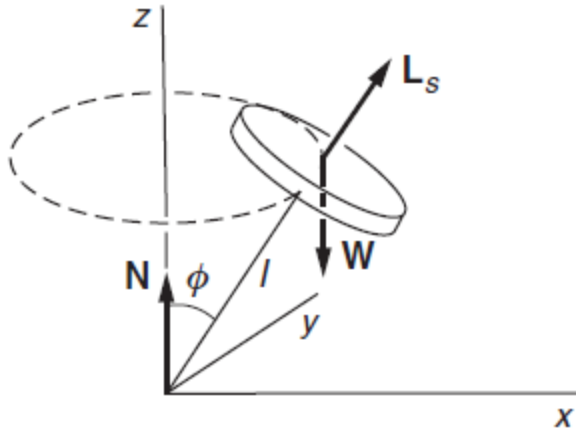
Six months later...



# Torque on the earth



North Pole star



## Precession of the equinoxes

The spin axis precesses (With a period 25810 years)

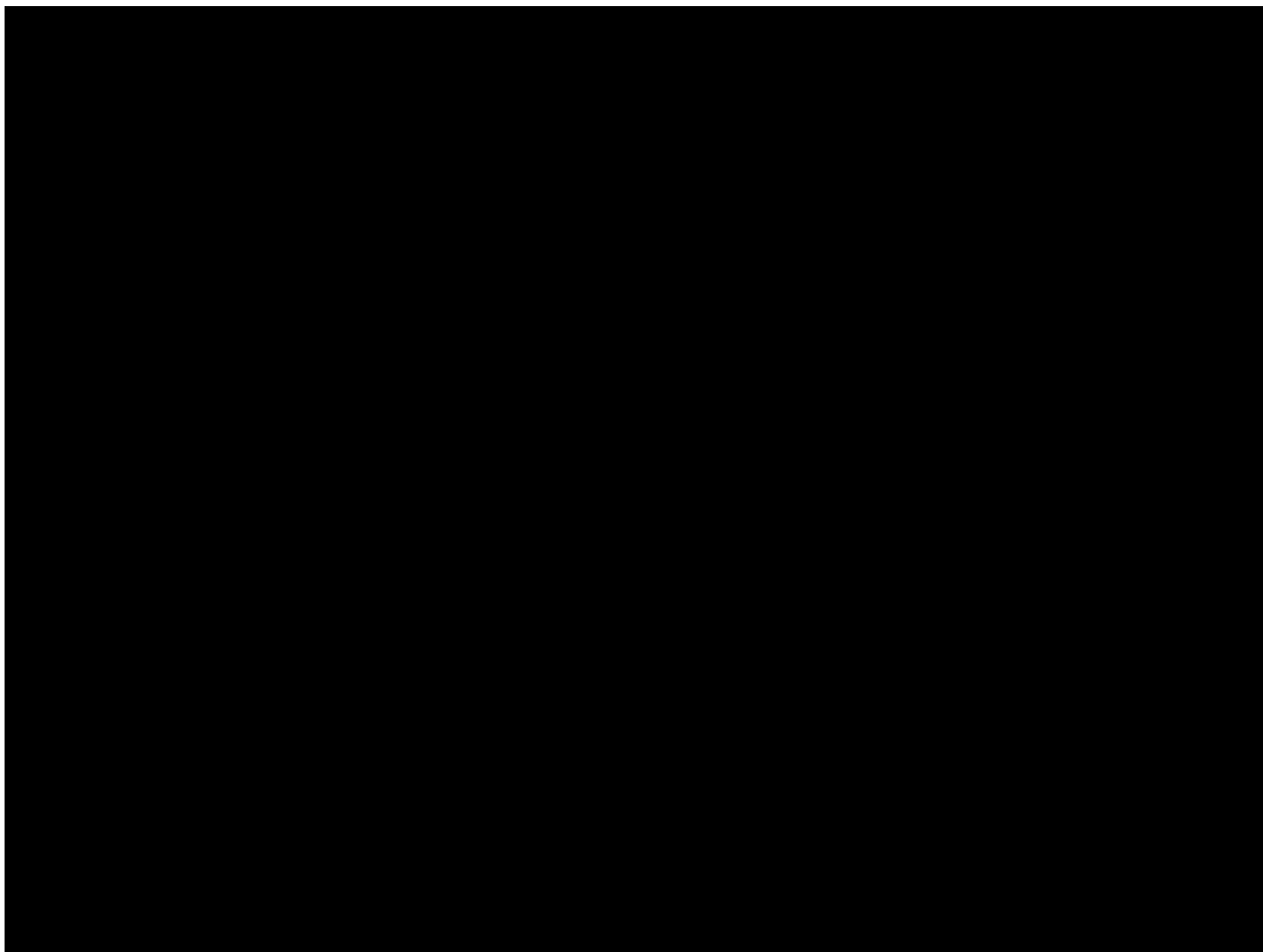
~13000 years from now the polar axis will not point toward Polaris, the north pole star. It will point  $47^\circ$  away.

$$M = 5.972 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}; \quad R = 6371 \times 10^3 \text{ km}$$

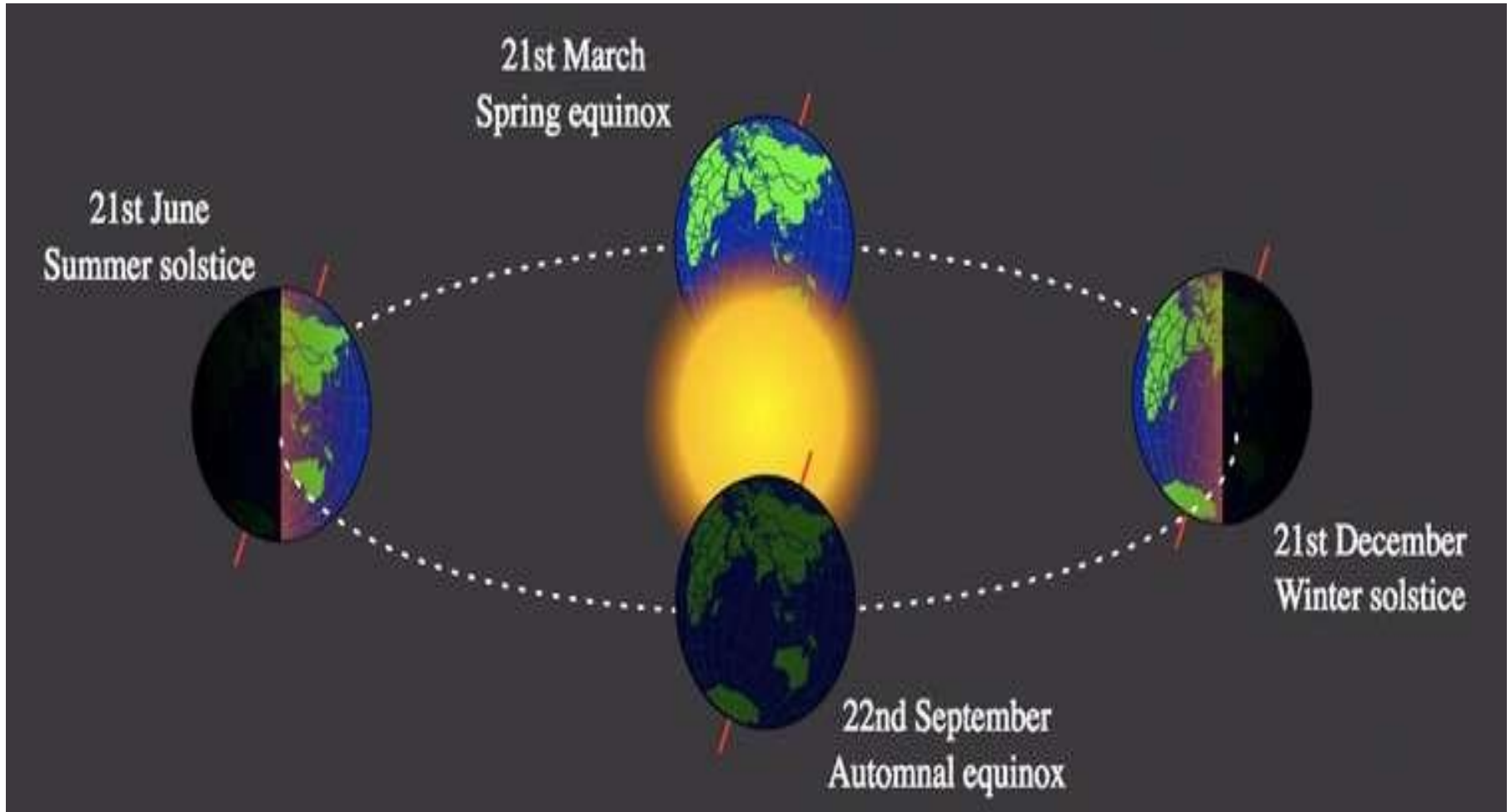
$$\tau = \Omega L_s \sin \phi$$

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

$$\tau = 2.166 \times 10^{22} \text{ N.m}$$

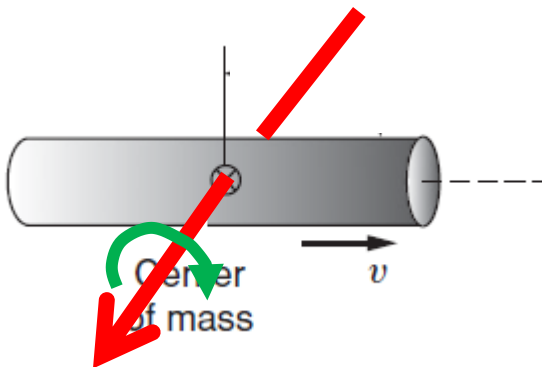


# Different seasons on the earth



Consider a cylinder moving parallel to its axis with velocity  $v$  in free space. A perturbing force  $F$  acts on the cylinder for time  $\Delta t$ . Find the angular frequency of rotation

First consider cylinder spin is 0



Angular impulse

$$\tau \Delta t = Fl \Delta t$$

Change in angular momentum

$$\Delta L_A = I_A \omega$$

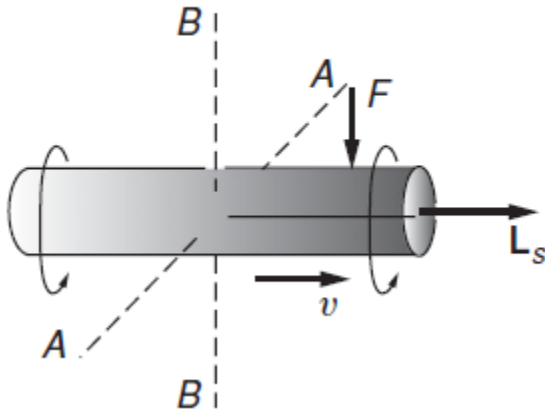
$$\omega = \frac{Fl \Delta t}{I_A}$$



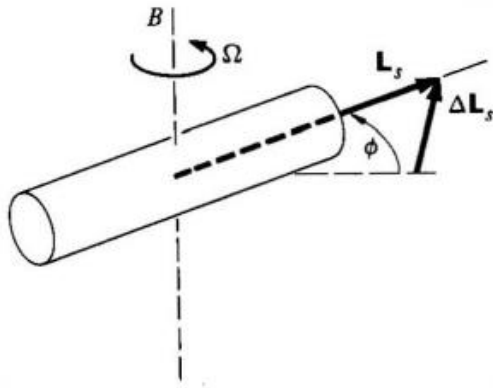
Consider a cylinder spinning rapidly with angular momentum  $L_s$  moving parallel to its axis with velocity  $v$  in free space. A perturbing force  $F$  acts on the cylinder for time  $\Delta t$ . Find the angle through which the cylinder precesses.

The cylinder is spinning with angular momentum  $L_s$

The situation is similar to that of gyroscope: Torque along the AA axis causes precession around the BB axis



$$\Omega = \frac{Fl}{L_s}$$



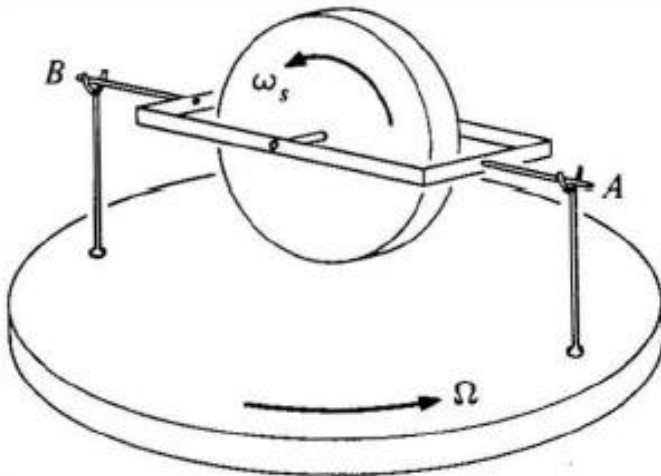
$$\phi = \Omega \Delta t = \frac{FL}{L_s} \Delta t$$

The cylinder slightly changes its orientation while the force is applied. No tumbling

# Gyrocompass motion

Consider a gyrocompass consisting of a balanced spinning disk held in a light frame supported by a horizontal axle. The assembly is on a turntable rotating at steady angular velocity  $\Omega$ . Find the equation of motion. When the spin axis is near the vertical, show that gyro executes simple harmonic motion with  $\theta = \theta_0 \sin \beta t$ ,

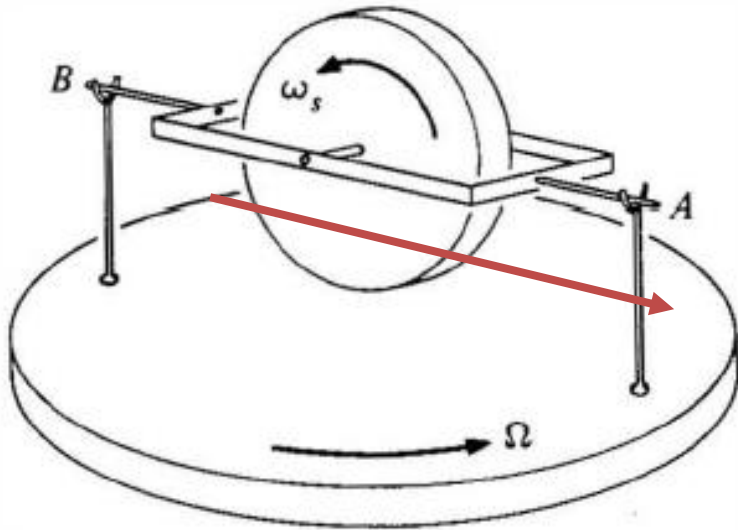
where  $\beta = \sqrt{\frac{\omega_s \Omega I_s}{I_\perp}}$ .



**Flywheel free to rotate about two perpendicular axes tends to orient its spin axis parallel to the axis of rotation of the system.**

**Compass comes to rest with its axis parallel to the polar axis.**

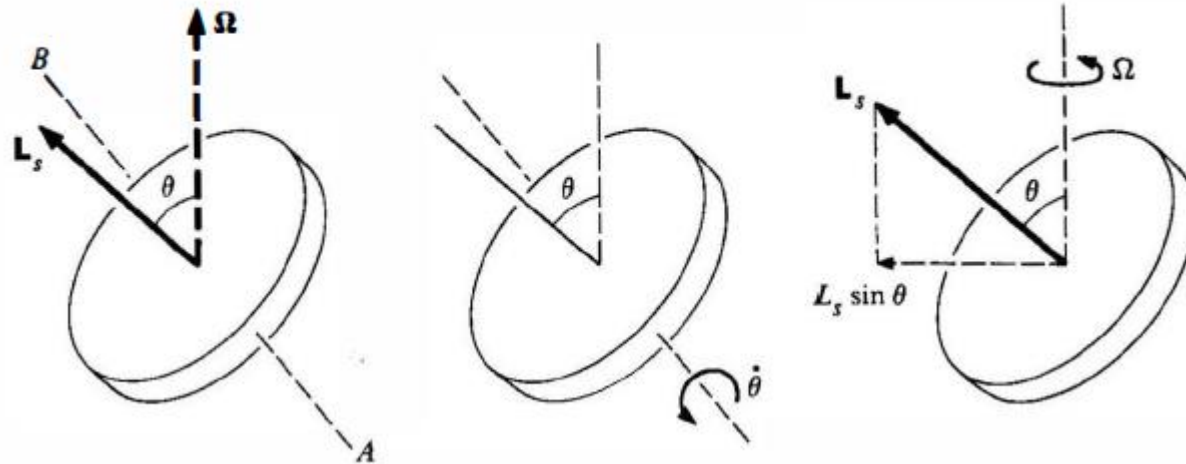
# Gyrocompass motion



No torque along the horizontal AB axis because the axle is pivoted. Therefore, the angular momentum ( $L_h$ ) along the AB direction is constant.

$$\frac{dL_h}{dt} = 0$$

# Gyrocompass motion

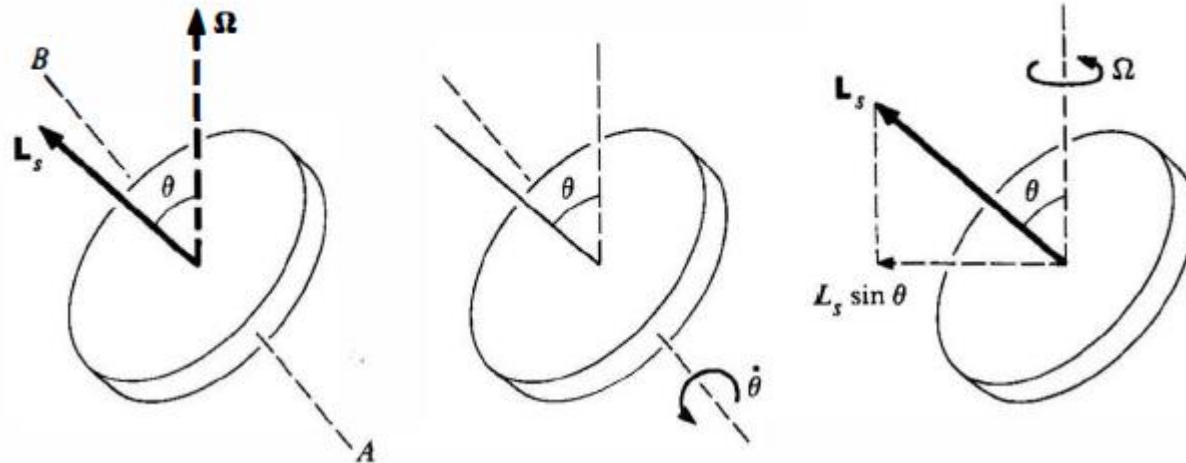


$\theta$ : the angle from the vertical to the spin axis

$I_{\perp}$ : The moment of inertia about AB axis.

$$L_h = I_{\perp} \dot{\theta} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{dL_h}{dt} = I_{\perp} \ddot{\theta}$$

# Gyrocompass motion



$\theta$ : the angle from the vertical to the spin axis

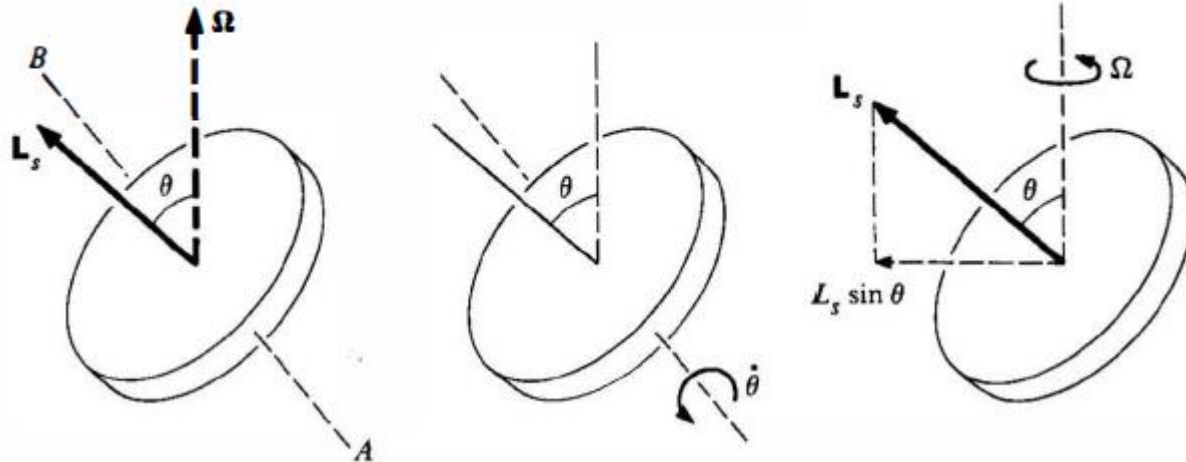
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$$L_h = I_{\perp} \dot{\theta} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{dL_h}{dt} = I_{\perp} \ddot{\theta}$$

$L_h$  can change because of a change in direction of  $L_s$

$$\frac{dL_h}{dt} = \Omega L_s \sin \theta$$

# Gyrocompass motion



$\theta$ : the angle from the vertical to the spin axis

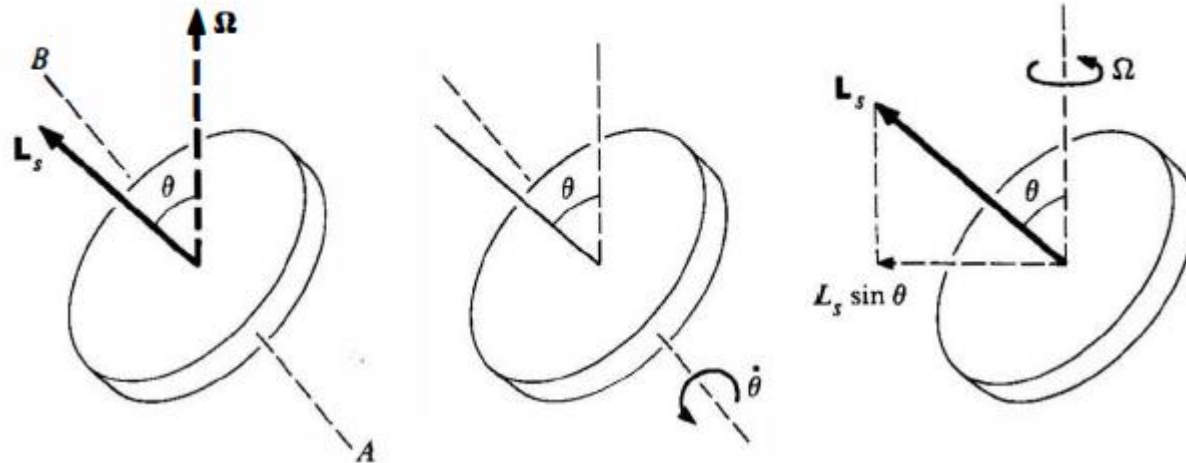
$I_{\perp}$ : The moment of inertia about AB axis.

$$\frac{dL_h}{dt} = I_{\perp} \ddot{\theta} + \Omega L_s \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{dL_h}{dt} = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad I_{\perp} \ddot{\theta} + \Omega L_s \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{L_s \Omega}{I_{\perp}} \sin \theta = 0 \quad \text{Equation of motion}$$

# Gyrocompass motion



$\theta$ : the angle from the vertical to the spin axis

$I_{\perp}$ : The moment of inertia about AB axis.

$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{L_s \Omega}{I_{\perp}} \sin \theta = 0$$

When spin axis is near the vertical,  $\sin \theta \approx \theta$

$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{L_s \Omega}{I_{\perp}} \theta = 0$$

$$\theta = \theta_0 \sin \beta t$$

$$\beta = \sqrt{\frac{L_s \Omega}{I_{\perp}}} = \sqrt{\frac{\omega_s \Omega I_s}{I_{\perp}}}$$

# Gyrocompass motion

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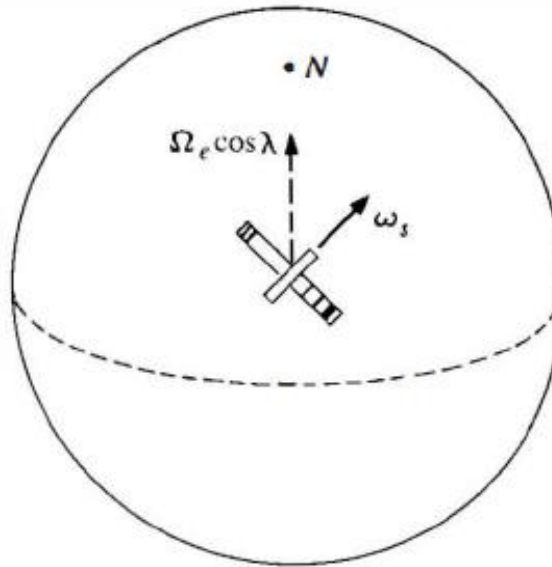
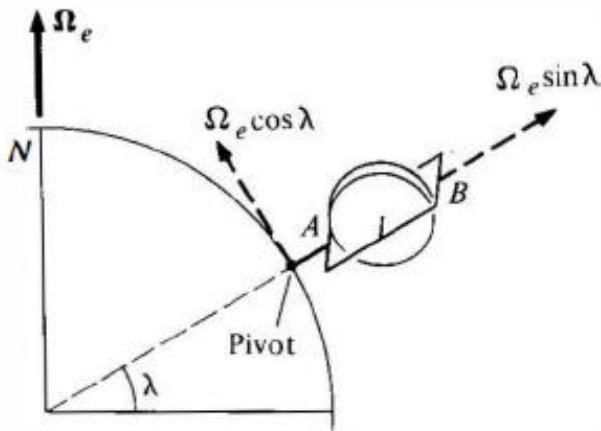
$$\beta = \sqrt{\frac{L_s \Omega}{I_{\perp}}} = \sqrt{\frac{\omega_s \Omega I_s}{I_{\perp}}}$$

For a thin disk

$$\frac{I_s}{I_{\perp}} = 2$$

$$\Omega_e = 2\pi/\text{day}$$

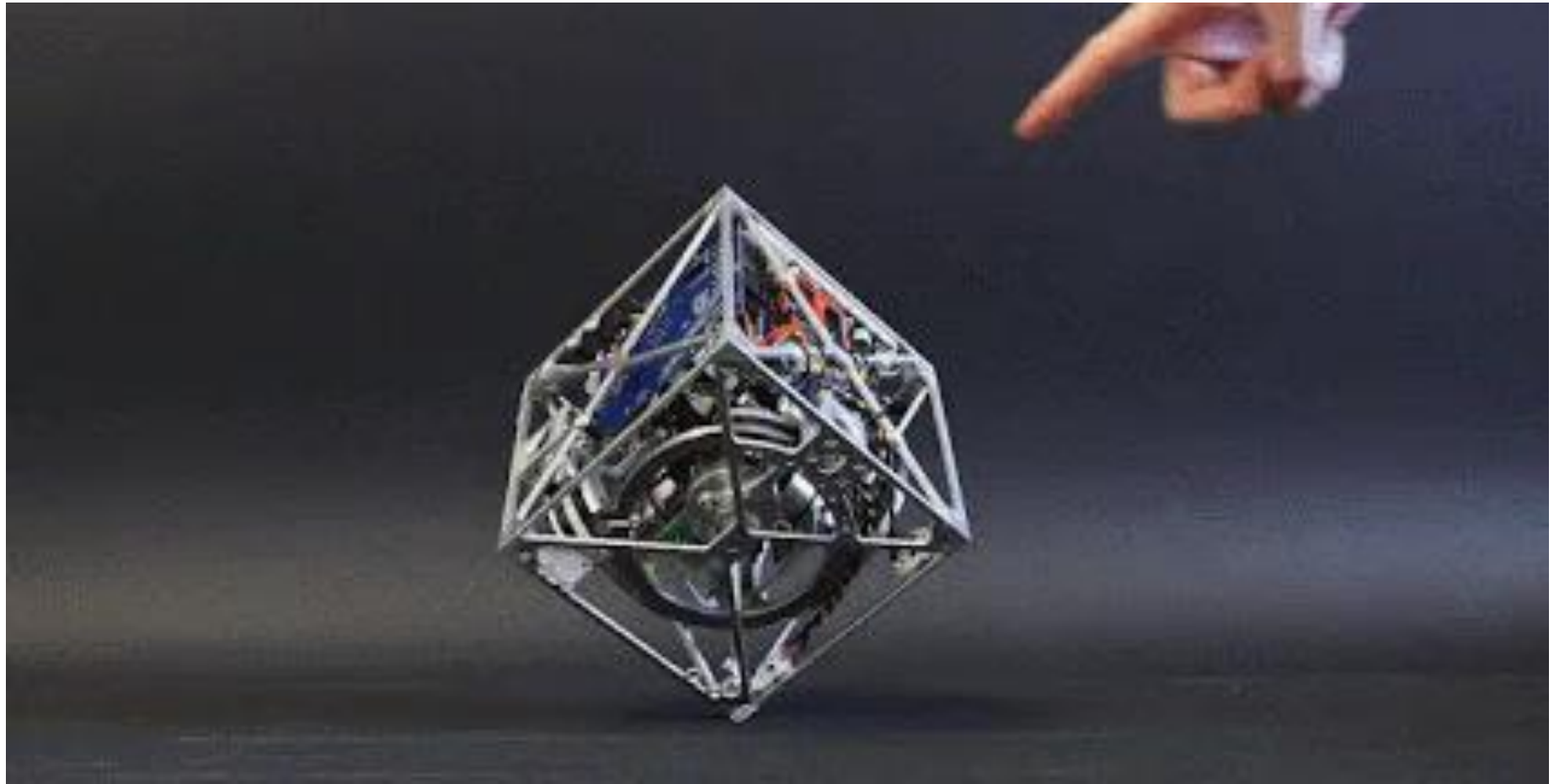
For a gyro rotating at 20000 rpm, the period at the equator is 11s.



Near north pole the period becomes too long that the gyrocompass is not effective.



# Cubli



# Fictitious Forces



# Rotating or Accelerating Frame of Reference

Newton's laws hold only in inertial frames of reference.

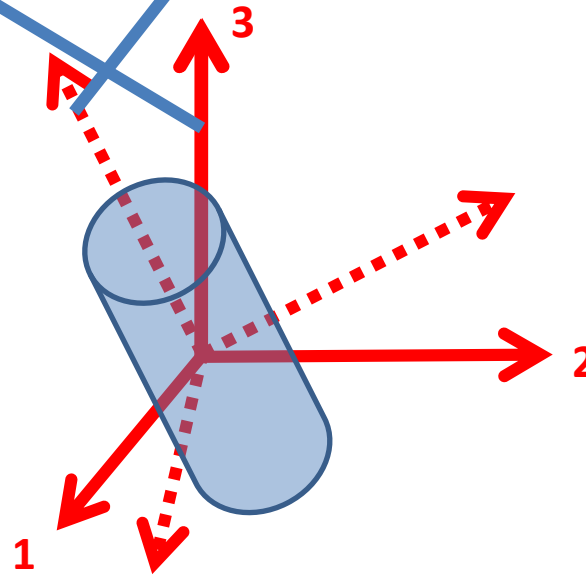
Many non-inertial (that is, accelerated or rotating) frames of reference that we might reasonably want to study, such as elevators, merry-go-rounds

Is there any possible way to modify Newton's laws so that they hold in non-inertial frames, or do we have to give up entirely on  $F = ma$ ?

✓ Inertial frame: Non-Rotating frame

➤ Non-Inertial frame: Rotating frame

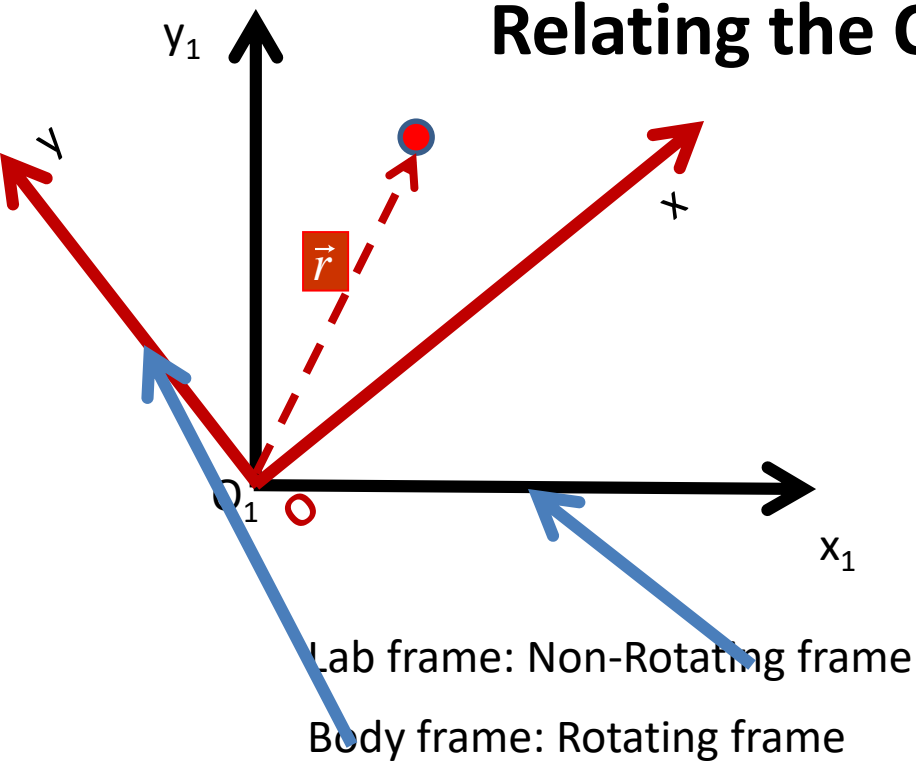
# Lab frame Vs Body frame



**Lab frame: Non-Rotating frame or Inertial Frame**

**Body frame: Rotating frame or Non-Inertial frame**

# Relating the Co-ordinates



Angular velocity =  $\vec{\omega}$

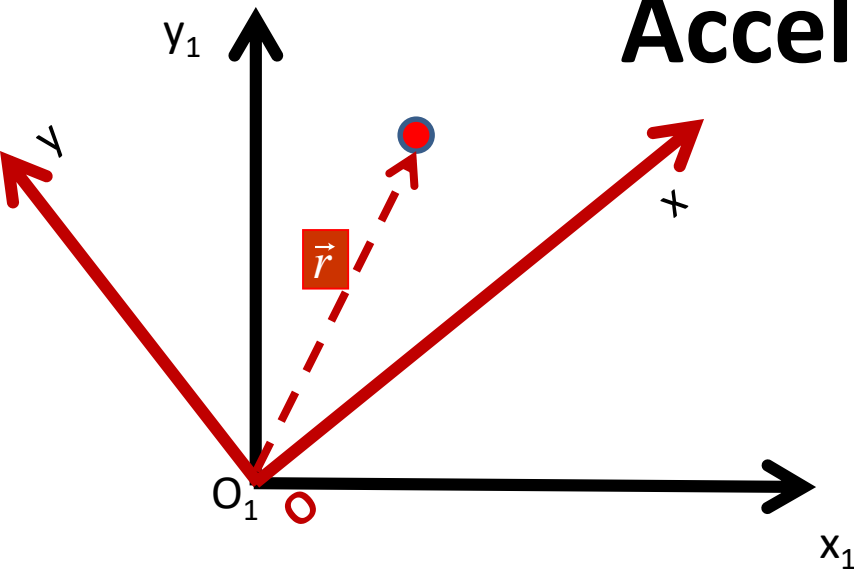
Velocity as observed in Non-Rotating frame/Lab frame

$$\left. \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right|_{NR} = \left( \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right)_R + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})$$

(Derivation: Introduction to mechanics, Kleppner & Kolenkow, Page 356)

**What will be the acceleration in Non-Rotating frame?**

# Acceleration



$$\left. \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right|_{NR} = \left( \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right)_R + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})$$

$$\left. \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right|_{NR} = \vec{\alpha} + \vec{\beta}$$

$$\left. \frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} \right|_{NR} = \left. \frac{d\vec{\alpha}}{dt} \right|_{NR} + \left. \frac{d\vec{\beta}}{dt} \right|_{NR}$$

$$\left. \frac{d\vec{\alpha}}{dt} \right|_{NR} = \left. \frac{d\vec{\alpha}}{dt} \right|_R + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{\alpha})$$

$$\left. \frac{d\vec{\beta}}{dt} \right|_{NR} = \left. \frac{d\vec{\beta}}{dt} \right|_R + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{\beta})$$

# Acceleration

$$\left. \frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} \right|_{NR} = \left. \frac{d \vec{\alpha}}{dt} \right|_R + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{\alpha}) + \left. \frac{d \vec{\beta}}{dt} \right|_R + (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{\beta})$$

$$\vec{\alpha} = \left( \frac{d \vec{r}}{dt} \right)_R$$

$$\vec{\beta} = (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})$$

$$\left. \frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} \right|_{NR} = \left( \frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} \right)_R + \left( \vec{\omega} \times \left( \frac{d \vec{r}}{dt} \right)_R \right) + \left. \frac{d (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})}{dt} \right|_R + (\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}))$$

$$\left( \frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} \right)_{NR} = \left( \frac{d^2 \vec{r}}{dt^2} \right)_R + \vec{\omega} \times \left( \frac{d \vec{r}}{dt} \right)_R + \frac{d \vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r} + \vec{\omega} \times \left( \frac{d \vec{r}}{dt} \right)_R + (\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}))$$

# Acceleration and Force in rotating frame

$$\left(\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2}\right)_{NR} = \left(\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2}\right)_R + 2\vec{\omega} \times \left(\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}\right)_R + \left(\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r}\right) + (\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}))$$

$$[\vec{a}]_{NR} = \left([\vec{a}]_R + 2\vec{\omega} \times [\vec{v}]_R + \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r} + \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})\right)$$

$$[\vec{F}]_R = \left([\vec{F}]_{NR} - m[\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})] - 2m\vec{\omega} \times [\vec{v}]_R - m\left[\frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r}\right]\right)$$

**Non-Rotating frame (NR): Inertial frame (i)**

**Rotational frame (R): Non-Inertial frame (ni)**



# Force

$$\left[ \vec{F} \right]_{ni} = \left( \left[ \vec{F} \right]_i - m \left[ \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) \right] - 2m\vec{\omega} \times \left[ \vec{v} \right]_{ni} - m \left[ \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r} \right] \right)$$



Centrifugal  
force

Coriolis force

Azimuthal force

**All these forces are non-physical.**

**The forces arise from kinematics and are not due to physical interactions.**

**Centrifugal force increases with  $r$ , whereas real forces always decrease with distance.**

# Accelerated Frame of Reference

Is there any possible way to modify Newton's laws so that they hold in non-inertial frames, or do we have to give up entirely on  $F = ma$ ?

$$[\vec{F}]_i = ma_i$$

$$[\vec{F}]_{ni} = ma_{ni}$$

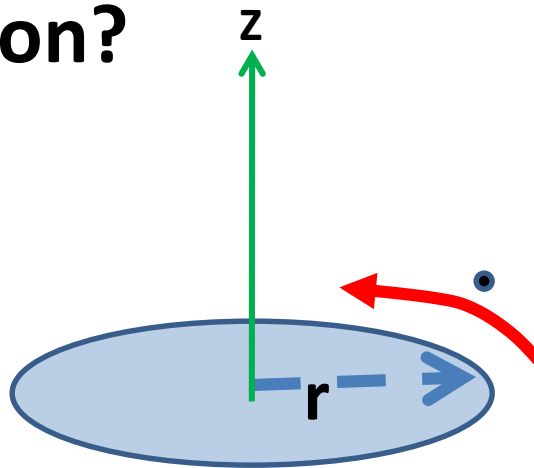
$$[\vec{a}]_{ni} = \left( [\vec{a}]_i - [\vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r})] - 2\vec{\omega} \times [\vec{v}]_{ni} - \left[ \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r} \right] \right)$$

1. Consider a person standing motionless with respect to a carousel, a distance  $r$  from the center. Let the carousel rotate in the X-Y plane with angular velocity  $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \omega \mathbf{e}_z$ .

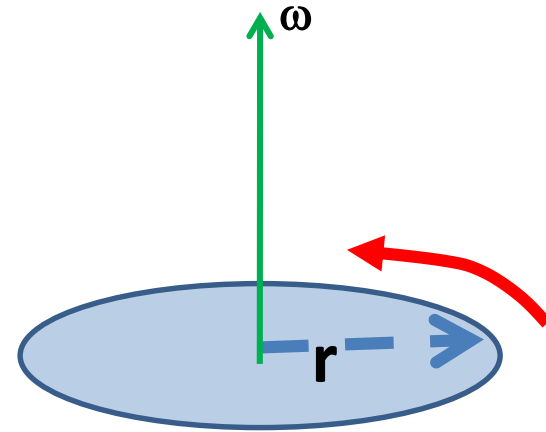
**(1) What are the fictitious forces present?**

**(2) What is the direction of centrifugal force?**

**(3) What is the magnitude of the centrifugal force felt by the person?**



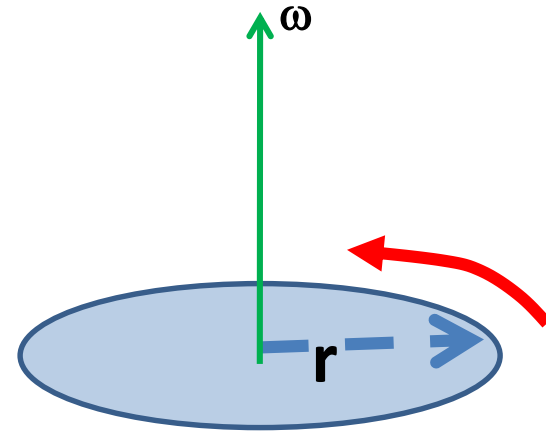
- On a Carousel



***Person is standing motionless,  $V=0$***

$$\left[ \vec{F} \right]_{ni} = \left( \left[ \vec{F} \right]_i - m \left[ \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) \right] - 2m\vec{\omega} \times [\vec{v}]_{ni} - m \left[ \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} \times \vec{r} \right] \right)$$

- On a Carousel



$$\left[ \vec{F} \right]_{centrifugal} = -m \left[ \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) \right]$$

Points radially outwards

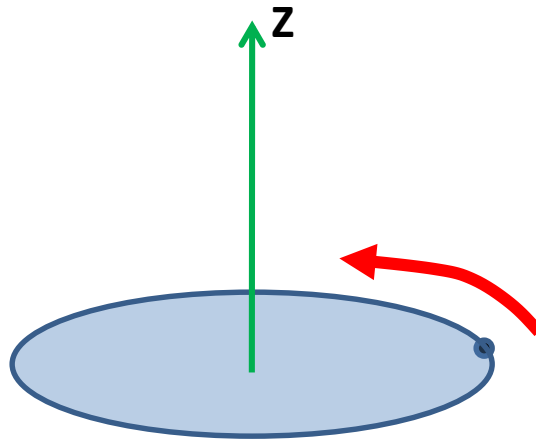
$$\left[ \vec{F} \right]_{centrifugal} = mr\omega^2 \hat{e}_r$$

If person is not moving with respect to carousel, and if  $\omega$  is constant, then Centrifugal force is the only non-zero fictitious force.

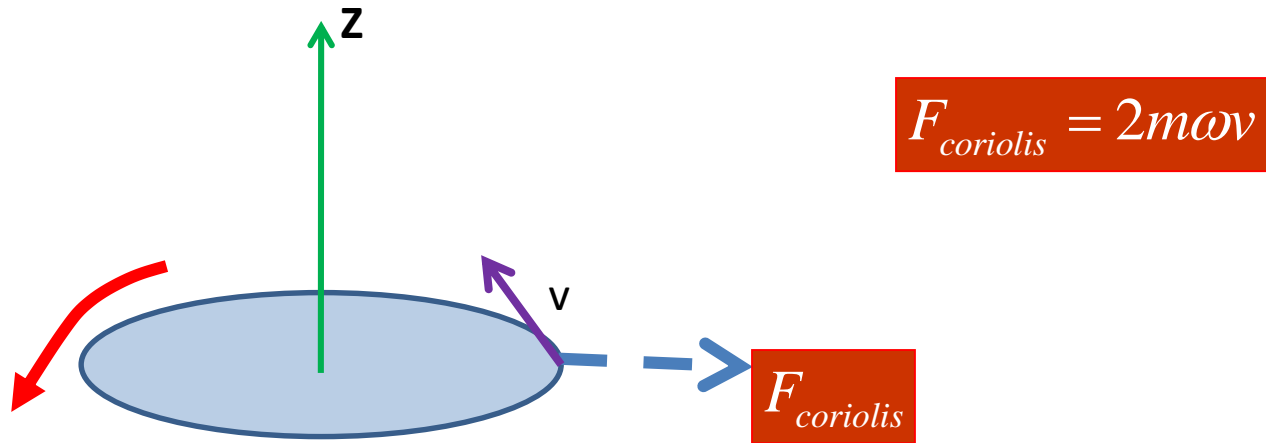
2. Consider a person moving tangentially inward on a carousel with a velocity  $\mathbf{v}$ . Let the carousel rotate in the X-Y plane with angular velocity  $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \omega \mathbf{e}_z$ .

**(1) What are the fictitious forces present?**

**(2) What is the magnitude and direction of coriolis force?**



- Moving tangentially inward on a carousel



- Coriolis force points radially outward

# **Quantitative analysis of fictitious forces in earth's frame**



3. A person is standing still on a location P as shown in figure 1 on Earth.

a. Plot the nature of  $F_{\text{cent}}$ .

b. What is the effective gravity felt by the person due to centrifugal force?

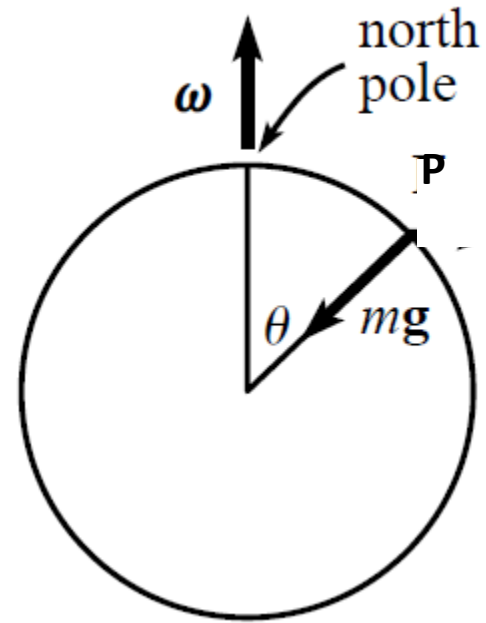
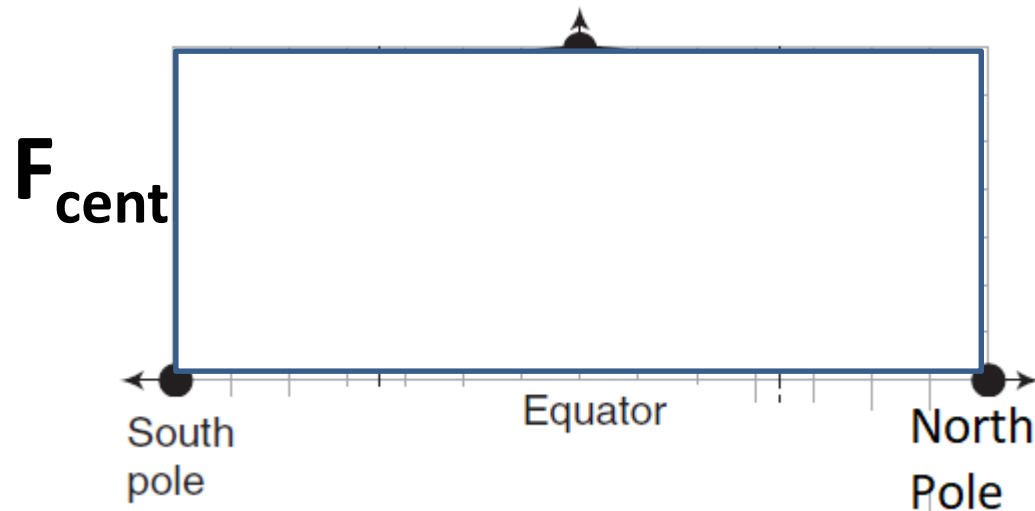
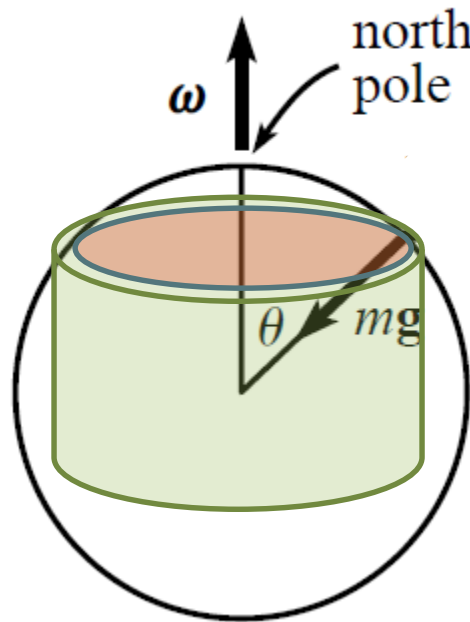


Fig 1

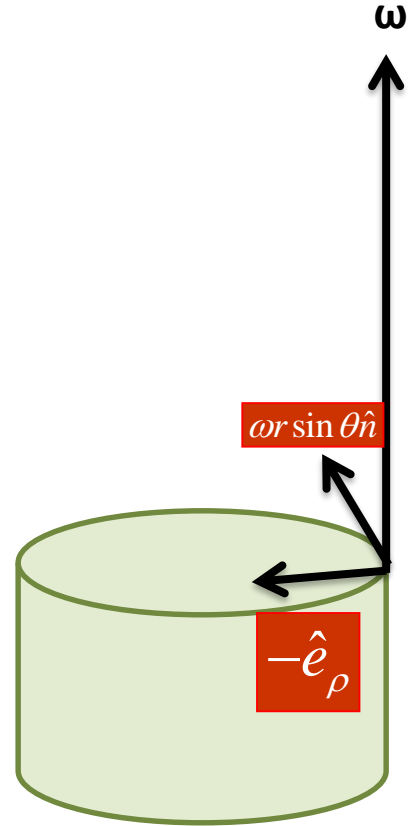
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**What is the Direction of  $\left[ (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) \right]$  ?**

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$$\left[ \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) \right] = \left[ \omega \hat{e}_z \times \omega r \sin \theta \hat{n} \right]$$

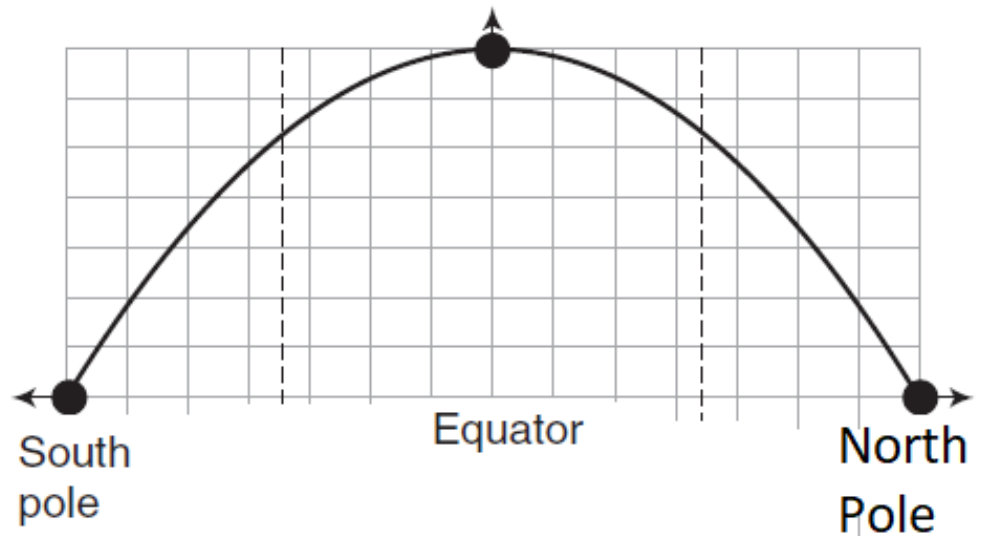
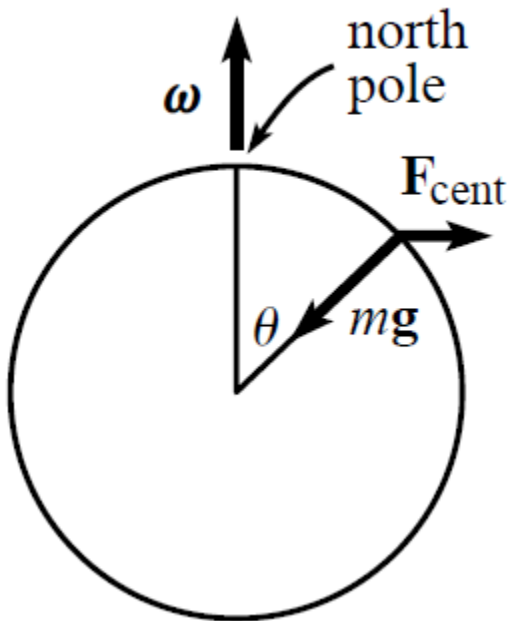


$$= \omega^2 r \sin \theta (-\hat{e}_\rho)$$

# Centrifugal force

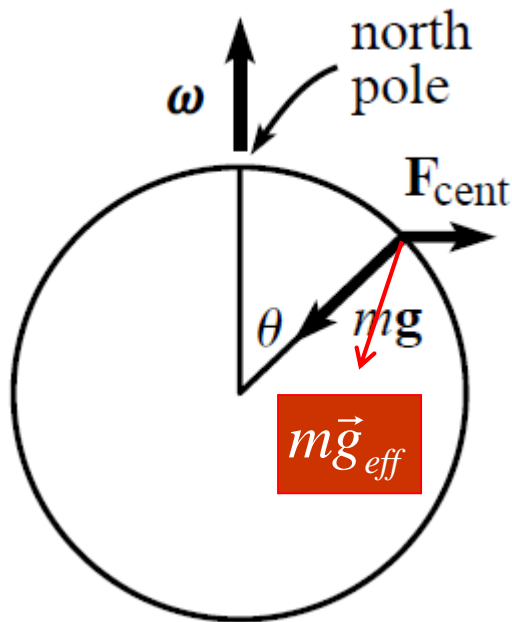
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# Effective gravity: Centrifugal force

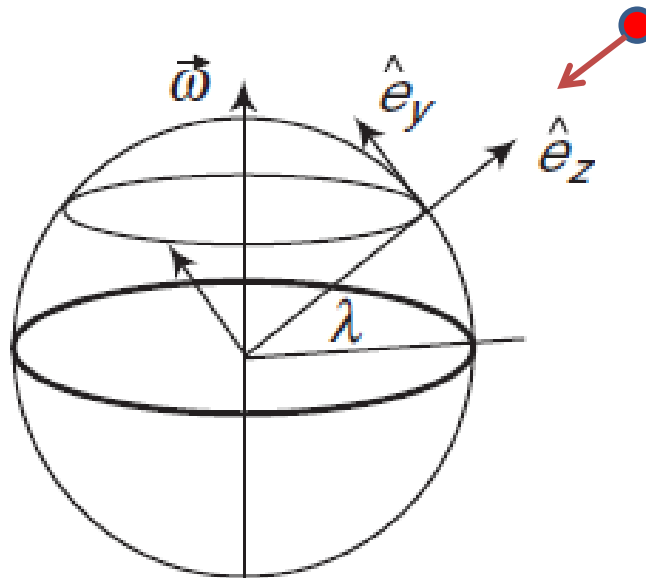
$$\left[ \vec{F} \right]_{centrifugal} = -m \left[ \vec{\omega} \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}) \right]$$



$$m\vec{g}_{eff} = m(g(-\hat{e}_r) + mr\omega^2 \sin \theta \hat{e}_\rho)$$

4. Consider an object is dropped under gravity in the  $-\mathbf{e}_z$  direction as shown in figure. In the problem, consider  $\lambda$  as the latitude and  $\omega$  as the angular velocity of the earth.

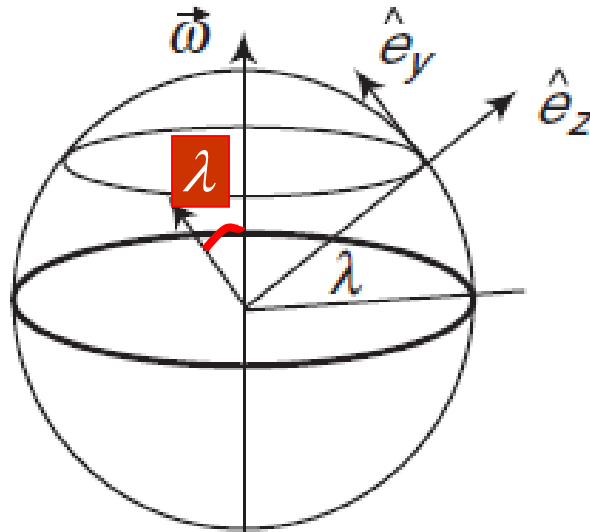
- What is the nature of the Coriolis force?
- Find the coriolis speed and deflection of the object due to the force.



- What is the nature of Coriolis force if the object is thrown upward.



$$\left[ \vec{F} \right]_{corr} = \left( -2m\vec{\omega} \times [\vec{v}]_{ni} \right)$$



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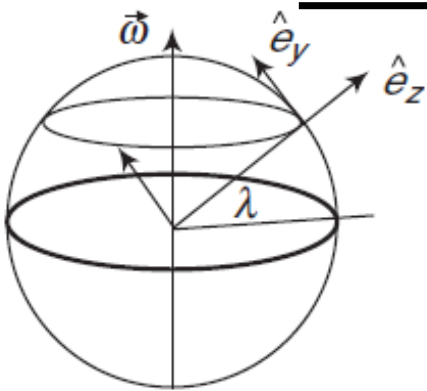
$$\vec{\omega} = \omega \cos \lambda \hat{e}_y + \omega \sin \lambda \hat{e}_z$$

$$\left[ \vec{F} \right]_{corr} = -2m\omega \left( \cos \lambda \hat{e}_y + \sin \lambda \hat{e}_z \right) \times \left( v_x \hat{e}_x + v_y \hat{e}_y + v_z \hat{e}_z \right)$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{Coriolis}} = -2m\omega \left[ (\cos \lambda v_z - \sin \lambda v_y) \hat{e}_x + \sin \lambda v_x \hat{e}_y + (-\cos \lambda v_x) \hat{e}_z \right].$$



# Coriolis Force (A quantitative analysis in earth frame)



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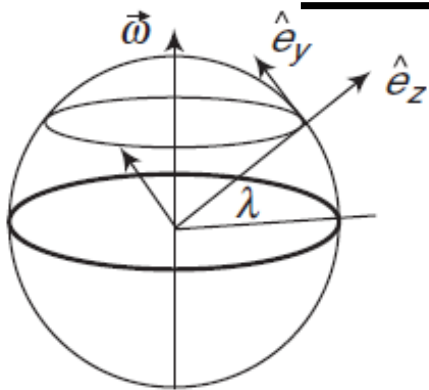
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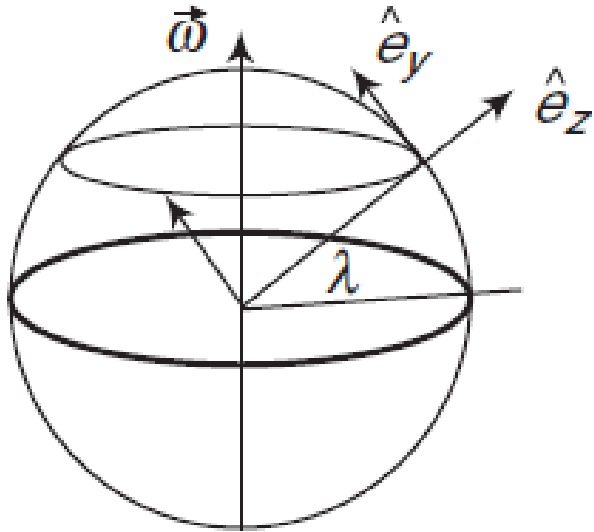
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$$v_x^{\text{East}} = \int_0^{\tau} (2\omega g t \cos \lambda) dt = 2\omega g \cos \lambda \int_0^{\tau} t dt = (\omega g \cos \lambda) \tau^2.$$

$$\delta x^{\text{East}} = \int_0^{\tau} v_x dt = (\omega g \cos \lambda) \int_0^{\tau} t'^2 dt' = \omega g \cos \lambda \frac{\tau^3}{3}.$$

# Coriolis Force (A quantitative analysis in earth frame)



If an object is thrown upward under gravity

$$\vec{v} = v_z \hat{e}_z$$

$$\vec{F}_{corr} = -2m\omega \cos \lambda v_z \hat{e}_x \text{ (Towards west)}$$

# Coriolis effect on mass dropped from IIT Patna admin building

A mass  $m$  is released with zero initial velocity from top of IIT Patna admin building. IIT Patna is located at latitude of  $25.5^\circ$ . Assume that the admin building is 50 m. tall. Determine the amount of sideways coriolis deflection



$$\vec{F}_{corr} = 2m\omega \cos \lambda g t \hat{e}_x$$

$$x_{deff} = \frac{\omega \cos \lambda g t^3}{3}$$

Time of fall to cover 50 m=

$$t = \sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} = 3.1943 \text{ sec}$$

$$x_{deff} = 0.7 \text{ cm}$$

- Self-study (Introduction to mechanics, Kleppner & Kolenkow)
  - Example 8.10: Weather systems (page 364)
  - Example 8.11: Foucault pendulum (page 367)