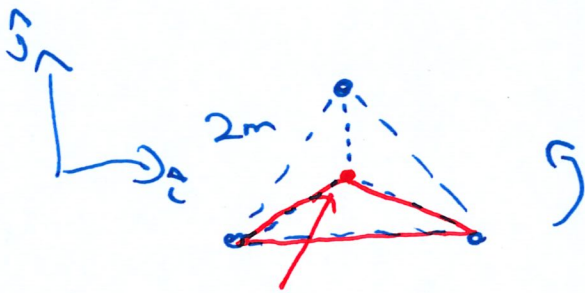


Angular Momentum - II

A rigid object is made in the shape of an equilateral triangle with side length $2m$. There is a $1.5kg$ mass at each of the vertices of the triangle, and the object lies in the xy plane. The rest of the rigid object is massless.

The object completes two rotations per second around its center of mass. It is rotating around a line which is parallel to the z -axis.

- What is the moment of inertia of this object around its axis of rotation?
- What is the angular momentum of this rotating object?



Center
of mass

$$I = \sum_i m_i |\vec{r}_i|^2$$

$$\vec{L} = (\text{rot rate}) I (\text{unit vector along rotation})$$

Using trig. to get distance



$$\cos 30 = \frac{1m}{\text{hyp}}$$

length I want

$$\text{hyp} = 1.155m$$

For 1st mass $(1.5kg)(1.155m)^2 \sim 2.0kgm^2$
 2nd & 3rd same

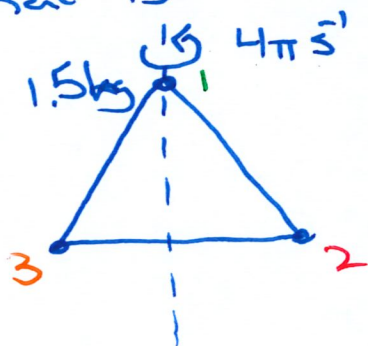
~~8-5 Example And~~

$$I = 6.0 \text{ kgm}^2$$

$$\vec{L} = \underbrace{\left(2 \frac{\text{rot}}{\text{s}}\right) \left(2\pi \frac{1}{\text{rot}}\right) (6.0 \text{ kgm}^2)}_{\frac{d\theta}{dt} = 2(2\pi) \frac{1}{\text{s}}} \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{L} = 75.4 \text{ kgm}^2/\text{s} \hat{k}$$

What is the situation was



I different b/c depends on rotation axis

$$I = \sum_{\text{all masses}} m_i |\vec{r}_i|^2 = 1.5 \text{ kg} (0 \text{ m})^2 + 1.5 \text{ kg} (1 \text{ m})^2 + 1.5 \text{ kg} (1 \text{ m})^2 = 3.0 \text{ kgm}^2$$

$$\vec{L} = 37.7 \text{ kgm}^2/\text{s} \hat{j}$$

How to see that \vec{L} says something about how the object rotates.

$$\vec{\tau}_{\text{net}} = \frac{d}{dt} \vec{L}$$

For rigid, rotating object (along axis of symmetry)

$$\vec{L} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} I \text{ (unit vec along axis)}$$

rotation rate moment of inertia

Can determine the direction of \vec{L} or, equiv, axis of rotation by using right-hand rule.

- All parts of rigid object have \vec{L} in same direction

Use right hand rule to get direction of $\vec{r} \times \vec{v}$ for one part, this points along axis where rotating.

Now $\vec{\tau}$ changes \vec{L}

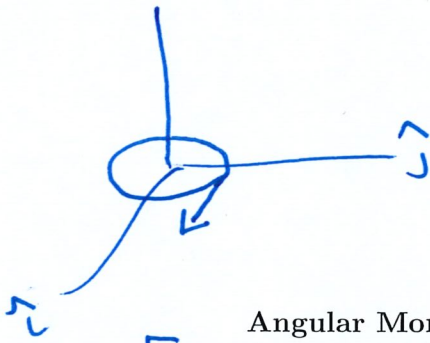
$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{L} = \frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} I \text{ (unit vec along rot'n axis)} \\ + \frac{d\theta}{dt} I \frac{d}{dt} \text{ (unit vector)}$$

$\vec{\tau}_{\text{net}}$ can change rotation rate

$\vec{\tau}_{\text{net}}$ can change axis of rotation
ie change direction around
which object rotating.

Example: a top





Angular Momentum - III

A wheel is in the xy plane and is free to rotate around its axle which is oriented along the z-axis. The axle is centered at the origin. The wheel has radius $0.6m$, and moment of inertia $0.72kgm^2$.

The wheel is subject to a force $\vec{F} = 2N\hat{i}$ which is exerted at $\vec{r} = 0.6m\hat{j}$. The wheel is at rest at $t = 0s$.

- • What is the torque that the force exerts?
- • What is the angular momentum of the wheel at $t = 3s$?
- • What is the rate of rotation at $t = 3s$?
- • What if the force were exerted at $\vec{r} = 0.2m\hat{j}$?

$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F} \quad (\text{around center of wheel})$$

$$= (0.6m\hat{j}) \times (2N\hat{i})$$

$$= -1.2Nm\hat{k}$$

At $t = 0s$, $\vec{L} = 0$ bc at rest

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{L} = -1.2Nm\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{L} = (-1.2Nm\hat{k})t \quad t \geq 0s$$

$$\vec{L}(3s) = -3.6Nm\hat{k}$$

$\underbrace{kgm^2/s}$

know

$$\vec{L} = \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) I (\text{unit vec along rot}^n \text{ axis})$$

$$= -3.6 \text{ Nm } \hat{k}$$

$$= \underbrace{3.6 \text{ Nm}}_{\left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) I} (\underline{-\hat{k}})$$

$$\left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) I$$

$$\begin{matrix} \nearrow 3.6 \text{ Nm} \\ \searrow \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) 0.72 \text{ kgm}^2 \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = 5 \text{ s}^{-1} \sim 0.8 \text{ rotations in } 1 \text{ s}$$

If \vec{F} at $0.2 \text{ m } \hat{j}$

$$\vec{\tau} = -0.4 \text{ Nm } \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{L}(3 \text{ s}) = -1.2 \text{ Nm kgm}^2/\text{s}$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = 1.67 \text{ s}^{-1} \sim 0.27 \text{ rotations in } 1 \text{ s}$$

Angular Momentum

$$\vec{\tau}_{\text{net}} = \frac{d}{dt} \vec{L}$$

$$\vec{L} = \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) I \text{ (unit vec along axis of rot)}$$

rotation
rate

$$I = \sum m_i |\vec{r}_i|^2$$

distance
to rotation
axis

For momentum



$$\vec{p}_{\text{total}} = \text{const} \neq \text{no change in motion}$$

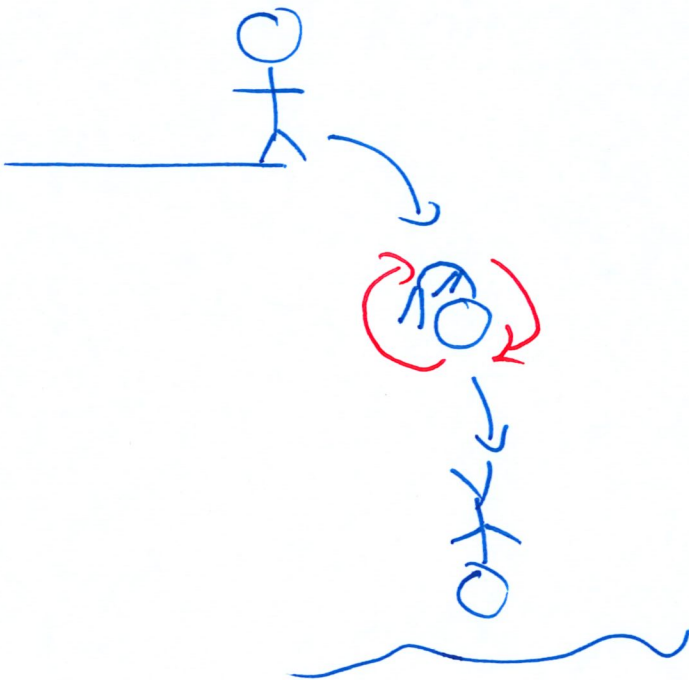
Figure skating



As arms & legs brought in I decreases
if no $\vec{\tau} \rightarrow \vec{L}_{\text{rot}} = \text{const}$

$$\left(\frac{d\theta}{dt}\right)_{\text{init}} I_{\text{init}} (\hat{z}) = \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt}\right)_{\text{final}} I_{\text{final}} (\hat{z})$$

must get bigger to compensate
smaller





$H \rightarrow He + \text{energy}$

$He \rightarrow C + \text{energy}$

\vdots

$\rightarrow Fe + \text{energy}$

\sim rotation
period few
days

