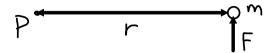


Mass is the characteristic of an object that resists acceleration; if a net force is applied, an object accelerates:

The larger the mass, the smaller the acceleration will be.

The larger the mass, the more resistance the object has to being accelerated.

Consider a mass *m* constrained to remain *r* meters away from a center of rotation at point P.



If F is applied at m, m will accelerate upward.

$$\Sigma F = ma$$
 $F = ma$ 
 $m \text{ experiences } \emptyset \text{ about the axis of rotation at P}$ 
 $a = \infty r$ 

$$a = \propto r$$

$$\therefore$$
 F=ma = m( $\propto$ r) = mr $\propto$ 

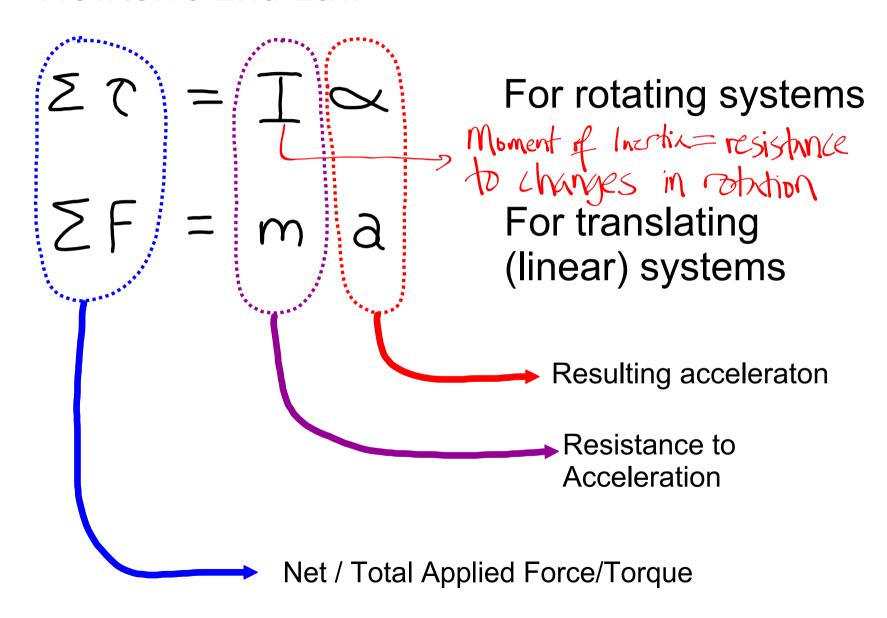
Forces must exert torques if there is to be rotation.

$$T = F \cdot r$$

$$= (mr \propto) r$$

$$T = mr^2 \propto$$

## Newton's 2nd Law



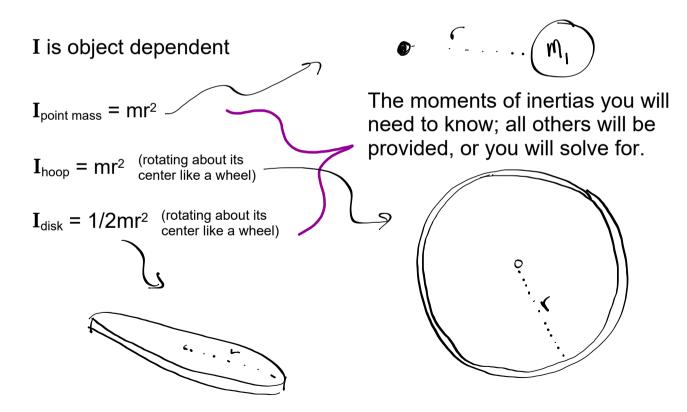
## MOMENT OF INERTIA

## IN SUMMARY:

 $I_{\text{system}}$  = the sum of all of the I's of all of the parts

I depends upon not just mass, but its distance from the axis of rotation

I depends upon the location of the axis of rotation



Many objects enjoy symmetry and uniformity and as a result, there moments of inertias can be expressed in terms of their masses, radii, lengths, and other basic parameters.

Note: you always must pay attention to where the axis of rotation is! These relations always apply to a specific location for the axis of rotation!

This link will take you to a table of moments of inertias for various objects:

http://www.livephysics.com/physical-constants/ mechanics-pc/moment-inertia-uniform-objects/ So what do you do to determine the moment of inertia of an object that isn't "nice" (i.e. one that doesn't enjoy symmetry or uniformity and therefore doesn't have a simple equation for its moment of inertia?)

