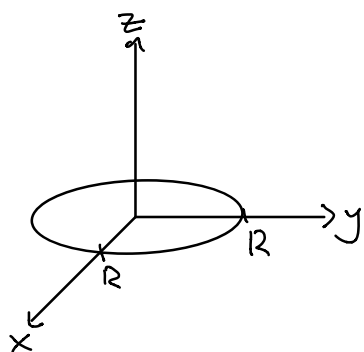


$$1) \quad I_{ij} = \int \rho(\vec{r}) (|\vec{r}|^2 \delta_{ij} - r_i r_j) dV$$

$\vec{r} = (x, y, z)$

We first calculate the moment of inertia tensor for a disc in the xy plane centered on the z axis:



Assuming uniform density, the differential mass element is

$$dm = \rho dA = \rho r dr d\theta = \frac{m}{\pi R^2} r dr d\theta$$

$$I_{xx} = \int y^2 + z^2 dm$$

$$I_{yy} = \int x^2 + z^2 dm$$

$$I_{zz} = \int x^2 + y^2 dm$$

$$I_{xy} = I_{yx} = -\int xy \, dm$$

$$I_{xz} = I_{zx} = -\int xz \, dm$$

$$I_{yz} = I_{zy} = -\int yz \, dm$$

Since $z=0$ on the disc,

$$I_{xx} = \int y^2 \, dm$$

$$I_{yy} = \int x^2 \, dm$$

$$I_{zz} = I_{yy} + I_{xx}$$

$$I_{xz} = I_{zx} = I_{yz} = I_{zy} = 0$$

Additionally,

$$I_{xy} = \int xy \, dm = \int_0^R \int_0^{2\pi} r^3 \cos\theta \sin\theta \, dr d\theta = 0$$

Now we have

$$I_{xx} = \int y^2 \, dm = \frac{m}{\pi R^2} \int_0^R \int_0^{2\pi} r^3 \sin^2\theta \, dr d\theta$$

$$= \frac{mR^2}{4}$$

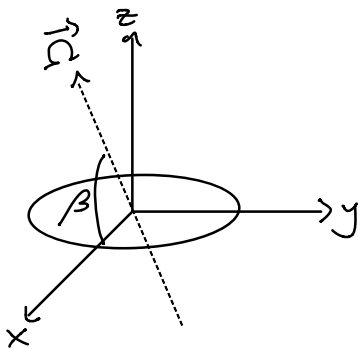
$$I_{yy} = \frac{m}{\pi R^2} \int_0^R \int_0^{2\pi} r^3 \cos^2\theta \, dr d\theta = \frac{mR^2}{4}$$

$$I_{zz} = I_{xx} + I_{yy} = \frac{mR^2}{2}$$

$$\text{So}$$

$$I = \frac{mR^2}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now let the disc rotate about a vector $\vec{\Omega}$ which lies in the xz plane at an angle β with respect to the xy -plane



In components,

$$\vec{\Omega} = \Omega \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\beta) \\ 0 \\ \sin(\beta) \end{pmatrix}$$

The kinetic energy of the disc rotating about $\vec{\Omega}$ is

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \vec{\Omega} \cdot (I \vec{\Omega})$$

$$T = \frac{m \Omega^2 R^2}{8} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\beta) \\ 0 \\ \sin(\beta) \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\beta) \\ 0 \\ 2 \sin(\beta) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T = \frac{m \Omega^2 R^2}{8} (\cos^2(\beta) + 2 \sin^2(\beta))$$

$$T = \frac{m \Omega^2 R^2}{8} (1 + \sin^2(\beta))$$

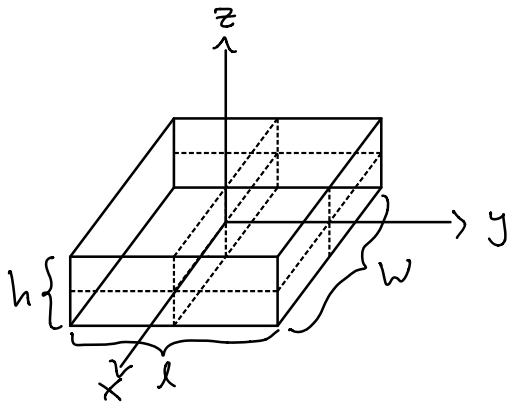
Which is maximized at

$$\beta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

2.)

a)

We choose a coordinate system whose origin is at the center of mass and whose axes puncture the center of each face of the brick.



$$dm = \rho dV = \frac{m}{h l w} dx dy dz$$

$$I_{ij} = \int \rho(\vec{r}) (|\vec{r}|^2 \delta_{ij} - \vec{r}_i \vec{r}_j) dV$$

$\vec{r} = (x, y, z)$

$$\text{Let } V := h l w$$

$$I_{xx} = \frac{m}{V} \int_{-\frac{w}{2}}^{\frac{w}{2}} \int_{-\frac{l}{2}}^{\frac{l}{2}} \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} y^2 + z^2 \, dz \, dy \, dx$$

$$= \frac{m}{V} w \left(\frac{h^3 l}{12} + \frac{h l^3}{12} \right)$$

$$I_{yy} = \frac{m}{V} l \left(\frac{w^3 h}{12} + \frac{h^3 w}{12} \right)$$

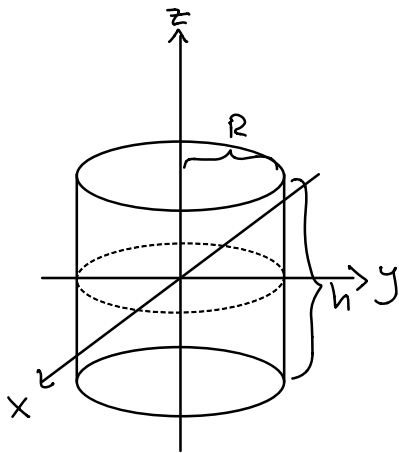
$$I_{zz} = \frac{m}{V} h \left(\frac{l^3 w}{12} + \frac{l w^3}{12} \right)$$

This is clearly the principal axis coordinate system so I is diagonal

$$I = \frac{m}{12} \begin{bmatrix} h^2 + l^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h^2 + w^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & w^2 + l^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

b)

The coordinate system's origin will be at the center of mass and the z axis will run the length of the cylinder



$$dm = \rho dV = \frac{m}{\pi R^2 h} r dr d\theta dz$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{xx} &= \frac{m}{\pi R^2 h} \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R r^3 \sin^2 \theta + r z^2 dr d\theta dz \\ &= \frac{m}{12} (h^2 + 3R^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$I_{yy} = \frac{m}{12} (h^2 + 3R^2)$$

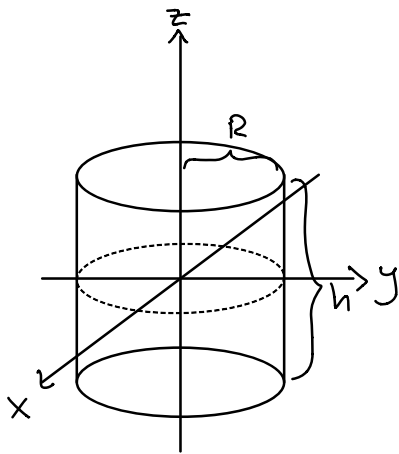
(by symmetry)

$$I_{zz} = \frac{m}{\pi R^2 h} \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R r^3 dr d\theta dz$$

$$= \frac{m R^2}{2}$$

$$I = \frac{m R^2}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{6} \left(3 + \frac{h^2}{R^2} \right) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{6} \left(3 + \frac{h^2}{R^2} \right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

c) We choose the same coordinate system as in the previous problem



In this problem, however,

$$dm = \rho dA = \frac{m}{2\pi R h} R d\theta dz$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{xx} &= \frac{m}{2\pi h} \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \int_0^{2\pi} R^2 \sin^2\theta + z^2 d\theta dz \\ &= \frac{m}{12} (h^2 + 6R^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{yy} &= \frac{m}{12} (h^2 + 6R^2) \\ &(\text{by symmetry}) \end{aligned}$$

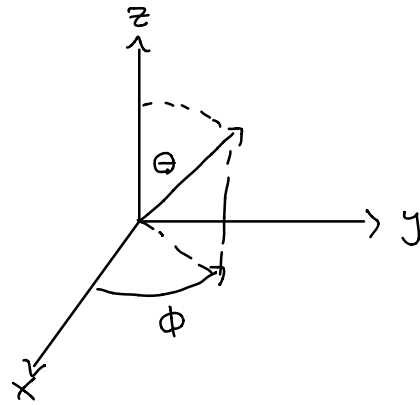
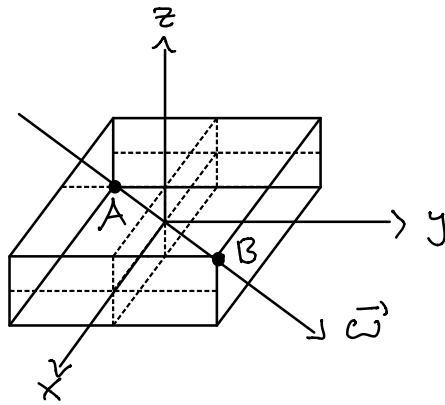
$$I_{zz} = \frac{m}{2\pi h} \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \int_0^{2\pi} R^2 d\theta dz$$

$$= m R^2$$

$$I = m R^2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{12} \left(6 + \frac{h^2}{R^2} \right) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{12} \left(6 + \frac{h^2}{R^2} \right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3)

a)



We first compute \vec{w}

$$\vec{w} = w \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi \sin \theta \\ \sin \phi \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

where $\phi := \arctan\left(\frac{l}{w}\right)$

and $\theta := \arccos\left(\frac{h}{\sqrt{h^2 + l^2 + w^2}}\right)$

so

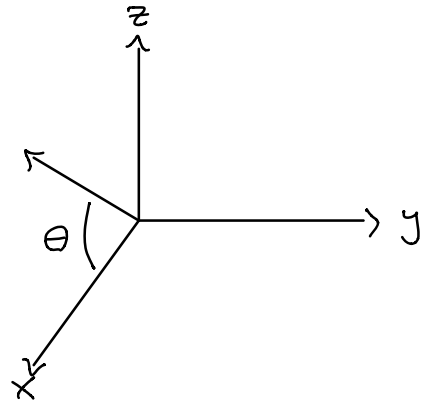
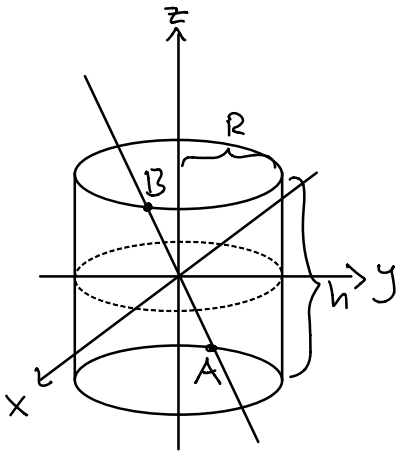
$$\vec{w} = \frac{w}{\sqrt{h^2 + l^2 + w^2}} \begin{pmatrix} w \\ l \\ h \end{pmatrix}$$

The kinetic energy is

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \vec{\omega} \cdot (I \vec{\omega})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{12} m \omega^2 R^2 \left(\frac{\omega^2 l^2 + h^2 \omega^2 + l^2 h^2}{\omega^2 + h^2 + l^2} \right)$$

b)



$$\vec{\omega} = \omega \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ 0 \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\theta = \arctan \left(\frac{h}{2R} \right)$$

$$\vec{\omega} = \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{h^2}{4R^2}}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{h}{2R} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I = \frac{mR^2}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{6} \left(3 + \frac{h^2}{R^2} \right) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{6} \left(3 + \frac{h^2}{R^2} \right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \vec{\omega} \cdot (I \vec{\omega})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{4} \frac{m \omega^2 R^2}{1 + \frac{h^2}{4R^2}} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{5}{12} \frac{h^2}{R^2} \right)$$

$$T = m \omega^2 R^2 \left(\frac{1}{8} + \frac{7h^2}{24(h^2 + 4R^2)} \right)$$

c)

This is essentially the same as b):

$$\vec{\omega} = \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{h^2}{4R^2}}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{h}{2R} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I = mR^2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{12} \left(6 + \frac{h^2}{R^2} \right) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{12} \left(6 + \frac{h^2}{R^2} \right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \vec{\omega} \cdot (I \vec{\omega})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{12} m \omega^2 R^2 \left(3 + \frac{5h^2}{h^2 + 4R^2} \right)$$

or

$$T = \frac{1}{3} m \omega^2 R^2 \left(\frac{2h^2 + 3R^2}{h^2 + 4R^2} \right)$$