21-R-KIN-ZA-22 Solution

Ouestion:

The thin square plate shown has a density of $\rho = 900 \ kg/m^3$, a thickness of $t = 0.1 \ m$, and a side length of $L = 3 \ m$. There is a circular hole cut out of it with a diameter of $D = 0.9 \ m$. A thin ring with a mass of $m_{ring} = 20 \ kg$ is attached around the edge of the hole, on one side of the plate. Find the moment of inertia of the whole object about the z' axis, parallel to the z axis.

Solution:

We can find the MOI about the z axis first by adding the MOI of the plate and the ring, and subtracting the MOI of the disk about the z axis.

$$I_z = I_{plate, z} - I_{disk, z} + I_{ring, z}$$

Using the formulas for MOI given, we can find the MOI for each component. We know that

$$I_{plate, z} = \frac{1}{12}m(a^2 + b^2), I_{disk, z} = \frac{1}{2}mr^2, \text{ and } I_{disk, z} = \frac{1}{2}mr^2.$$

$$\begin{split} I_{plate, z} &= \frac{1}{12} m (a^2 + b^2) = 2L^2 \frac{1}{12} \rho L^2 t = 1215 \, kg \cdot m^2 \\ I_{disk, z} &= \frac{1}{2} mr^2 = \frac{1}{2} (900 * \pi * (\frac{0.9}{2})^2 * 0.1) * (\frac{0.9}{2})^2 = 5.797 \, kg \cdot m^2 \\ I_{ring, z} &= mr^2 = 20 * (0.9/2)^2 = 4.05 \, kg \cdot m^2 \end{split}$$

Plugging these values into the final equation gives the MOI about the z axis.

$$MOI_z = I_{plate, z} - I_{disk, z} + I_{ring, z} = 1213.25 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2$$

Using the parallel axis theorem, we can find the MOI about the z' axis.

$$d = \sqrt{2(L/2)^2} = 2.12 \, m$$

$$MOI_{z'} = MOI_z + \frac{1}{2}md^2 = 1213.25 + \frac{1}{2}(m_{tot})2.12^2 = 1996.32 kg \cdot m^2$$