

21-R-KIN-ZA-22 Solution

Question:

The thin square plate shown has a density of $\rho = 900 \text{ kg/m}^3$, a thickness of $t = 0.1 \text{ m}$, and a side length of $L = 3 \text{ m}$. There is a circular hole cut out of it with a diameter of $D = 0.9 \text{ m}$. A thin ring with a mass of $m_{\text{ring}} = 20 \text{ kg}$ 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.

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

Using the formulas for MOI given, we can find the MOI for each component. We know that $I_{\text{plate},z} =$

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

$$I_{\text{plate},z} = \frac{1}{12}m(a^2 + b^2) = 2L^2 \frac{1}{12}\rho L^2 t = 1215 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2$$

$$I_{\text{disk},z} = \frac{1}{2}mr^2 = \frac{1}{2}(900 * \pi * (\frac{0.9}{2})^2 * 0.1) * (\frac{0.9}{2})^2 = 5.797 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2$$

$$I_{\text{ring},z} = mr^2 = 20 * (0.9/2)^2 = 4.05 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2$$

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

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

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

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

$$m_{\text{tot}} = m_{\text{plate}} - m_{\text{disk}} + m_{\text{ring}} = \rho L^2 t - \rho \pi (D/2)^2 + m_{\text{ring}} = 257.4 \text{ kg}$$

$$MOI_{z'} = MOI_z + md^2 = 1213.25 + (m_{\text{tot}})2.12^2 = 2371.5 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2$$