## 21-R-KIN-ZA-21 Solution

Question: The solid cone shown has a density of  $\rho = 3z^5 + 6 kg/m^3$ , and a height of H = 0.3 m. If we know that x = 3 m, and y = 3 m, find the moment of inertia about the z' axis, assuming the cone follows the equation  $z^2 = x^2 + y^2$ .

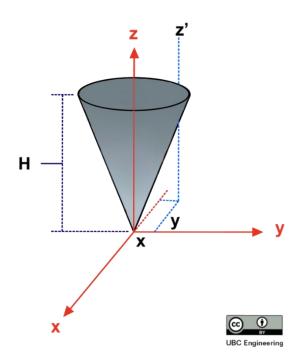
## Solution:

The infinitesimal mass can be found my approximating a small section of the cone to be a cylinder, and writing dV.

$$dm = \rho dV = \rho \pi r^2 dz = \pi z^2 (3z^5 + 6) dz$$

The expression for infinitesimal moment of inertia of a cylinder about the z axis is found by plugging the mass (where  $z^2 = r^2$ ).

$$dI = \frac{1}{2}r^2dm = \frac{1}{2}\pi z^4 (3z^5 + 6)dz$$



Integrating over the height of the cone gives the moment of inertia about the z axis.

$$I = \pi \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{H} z^{4} (3z^{5} + 6) dz = \pi \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{H} 3z^{9} + 6z^{4} dz = \frac{1}{2} \pi \left[ \frac{3}{10} H^{10} + \frac{6}{5} H^{5} \right] = 0.004583 \ kg \ m^{2}$$

Mass is found by integrating dm.

$$m = \pi \int_0^H z^2 (3z^5 + 6) dz = \pi \left[ \frac{3}{8} H^8 + 2H^3 \right] = 0.1697 \, kg$$

The distance between the z and z' axes is found using Pythagorean theorem.

$$d = (x^2 + y^2)^{0.5} = 4.243 m$$

The parallel axis theorem is used to find MOI about the z' axis.

$$I_{z'} = I + md^2 = 3.060 \, kg \cdot m^2$$