Physics 1A, Section 2

November 11, 2010

Translation / Rotation

translational motion	rotational motion
position x	angular position θ
velocity $v = dx/dt$	angular velocity $\omega = d\theta/dt$
acceleration $a = dv/dt = d^2x/dt^2$	angular acceleration $\alpha = d\omega/dt = d^2\theta/dt^2$
mass m	moment of inertia I
momentum p = mv	angular momentum $L = I\omega$
force F = ma	torque $\tau = I\alpha$
kinetic energy $\frac{1}{2}$ mv ²	kinetic energy $\frac{1}{2}$ I ω^2
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 Answer:

 a) T = a(mR² + I)/[R(R-r)] f = a(I + mrR)/[R(R-r)]
 b) μ_{min} = a(kR + r)/[g(R-r)]
 c) rolls to the right

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Moment of Inertia

• Moments:

> 0th moment: ∫dm = mass
> useful 1st moment: ∫<u>r</u> dm 1/M∫<u>r</u> dm is the <u>center of mass</u>
> useful 2nd moment: ∫R² dm = *moment of inertia*> R is the distance from the axis of rotation
> Other ways to write the integral: ∫dm = ∫ρ dV = ∭ρ dx dy dz

- Moment of inertia examples:
 - Frautschi et al. Table 14.1, page 379
- Parallel axis theorem: $I = I_{CM} + Md^2$

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Monday, November 15:

• Quiz Problem 32 (collision with rotation)

• *Optional, but helpful, to try these in advance.*