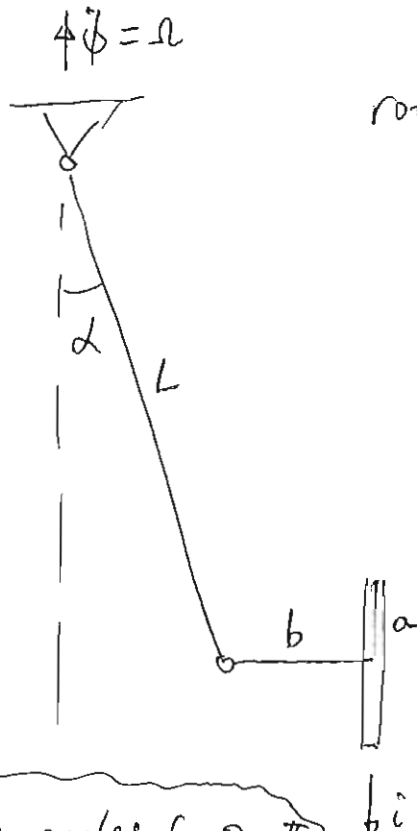
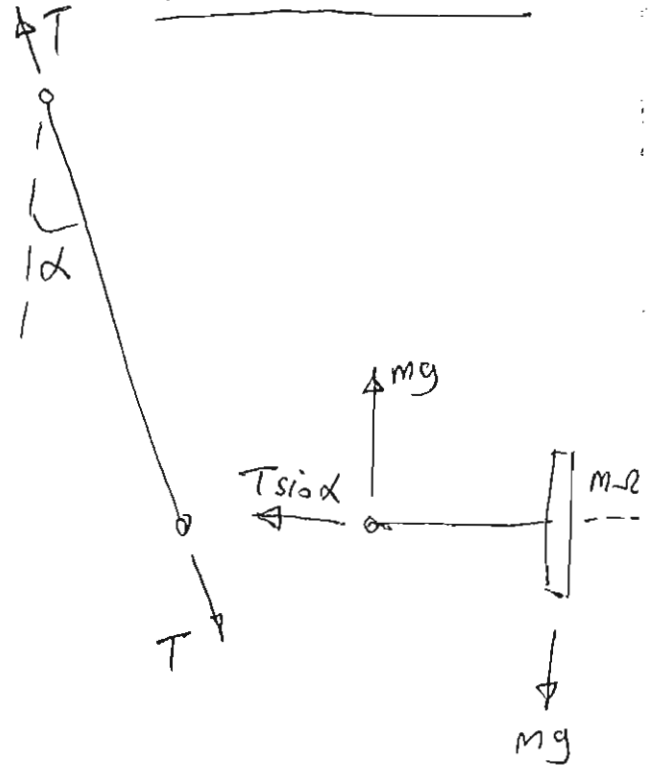


Q1



3CS
rotor AAC
 $A = \frac{1}{4} m a^2$
 $C = \frac{1}{2} m a^2$

Free body diagrams



Euler angles for $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$
 $\Omega_1 = -\dot{\phi} \sin \theta = -\Omega$
 $\Omega_2 = \dot{\theta} = 0$
 $\Omega_3 = \dot{\phi} \cos \theta = 0$

$T \cos \alpha = Mg$

$T \sin \alpha = m \Omega^2 R$

$\therefore Mg \tan \alpha = m \Omega^2 (b + L \sin \alpha)$

$\therefore g \tan \alpha = \Omega^2 (b + L \sin \alpha)$

Assume small α \therefore $\Omega^2 \approx \frac{g \alpha}{b}$ ①

Gyro ② $\therefore Q_2 = A \dot{\Omega}_2 + (A \Omega_3 - C \omega_3) \Omega_1$

$\therefore m g b = 0 + (0 - C \omega_3) \Omega_1 = \frac{1}{2} m a^2 \omega \Omega$

\therefore $\Omega = \frac{2 g b}{a^2 \omega}$ ②

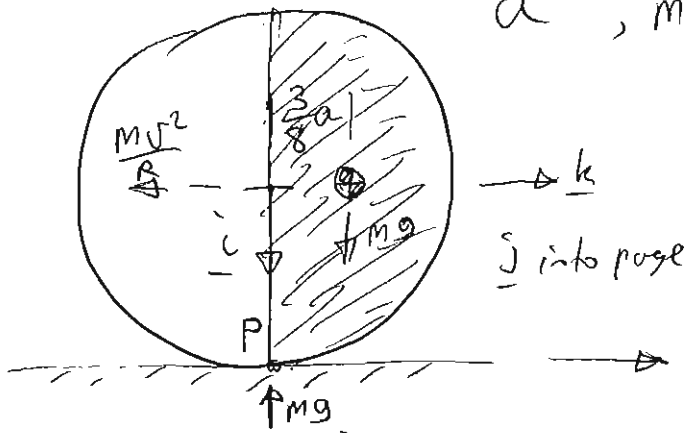
① & ② $\therefore \frac{g \alpha}{b} \approx \frac{4 g^2 b^2}{a^2 \omega^2}$ \therefore $\alpha \approx \frac{4 g b^3}{a^2 \omega^2}$

check small angle assumption is consistent with fast spin,

yes $\omega \rightarrow \infty \therefore \alpha \rightarrow 0$

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Q2

 a, m

$$C = \frac{2}{5}ma^2$$

$$R \gg a$$

$$U = \Omega_1 R$$

$$\underline{\omega} = \omega_1 \underline{i} + \omega_2 \underline{j} + \omega_3 \underline{k}$$

$$\Omega_1 = -\dot{\phi} \sin \theta$$

$$\Omega_2 = 0$$

$$\Omega_3 = \dot{\phi} \cos \theta$$

no slip $\underline{U}_P = \underline{\omega} \times a \underline{i} + U \underline{j} = 0$

$$\therefore -a\omega_2 \underline{k} + a\omega_3 \underline{j} = -U \underline{j}$$

$$\therefore \omega_2 = 0 \quad \omega_3 = -\frac{U}{a}$$

Gyro eq (2) is steady state

$$Q_2 = (A\Omega_3 - C\omega_3)\Omega_1$$

fast spin $\Omega_3 \ll \omega_3$

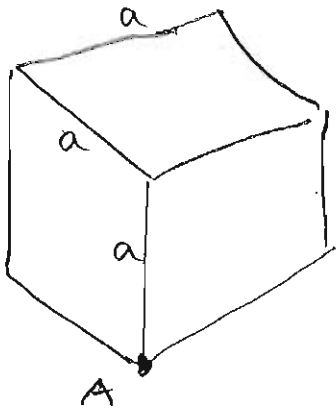
$$\therefore mg \frac{3}{8}a - \frac{MU^2}{R}a = -\frac{2}{5}ma^2 \left(\frac{-U}{a} \right) \frac{U}{R}$$

$$\therefore g \frac{3}{8} = \left(\frac{2}{5} + 1 \right) \frac{U^2}{R}$$

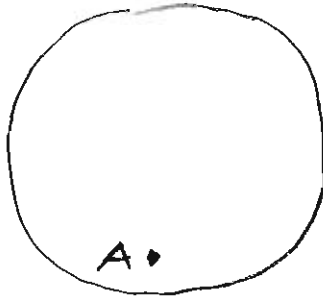
$$\therefore R = \frac{7}{5} \frac{8}{3} \frac{U^2}{g} = \frac{56}{15} \frac{U^2}{g}$$

friction $\frac{MU^2}{Rmg} \leq \mu \quad \therefore \frac{U^2}{Rg} \leq \mu \quad \therefore \mu \geq \frac{15}{56}$

- (a) (i) The cube has principal moments of inertia $\frac{1}{6}ma^2$, $\frac{1}{6}ma^2$, $\frac{1}{6}ma^2$ at its centre
(straight from data book)



It is like a sphere hence



the point A
is defined only
by its distance
 $= a\sqrt{3}/2$
from the centre

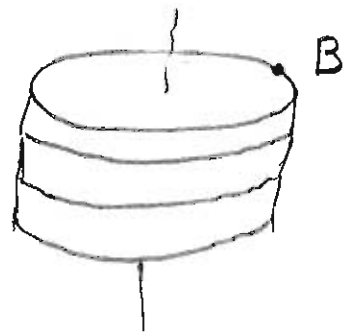
Hence the principal moments of inertia at

A are $\frac{1}{6}ma^2$, $\frac{11}{12}ma^2$, $\frac{11}{12}ma^2$

(using parallel axis theorem $\frac{1}{6}ma^2 + m\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}a}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{11}{12}ma^2$)

- (ii) The cube can be visualised as three equal discs, stacked

The top disc (note that a square plate is "AAC" just like a circular disc) can be rotated without changing any inertial properties hence the



principal moments of inertia at B

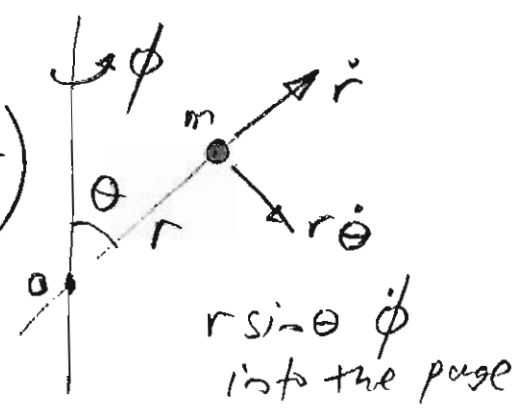
are $\frac{1}{6}ma^2$, $\frac{11}{12}ma^2$, $\frac{11}{12}ma^2$ as before

(i) $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right) - \frac{\partial T}{\partial q_i} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial q_i} = Q_i$

if these are zero

then $\frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_i} = \text{const}$ is a conservation law

(ii) $T = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$
 $= \frac{1}{2} m \left(\dot{r}^2 + (r\dot{\theta})^2 + (r \sin \theta \dot{\phi})^2 \right)$



VELOCITIES

$\frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{r}} = m \dot{r}$ $\frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = m r^2 \dot{\theta}$ $\frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = m r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\phi}$

$\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} = m \dot{\theta}^2 r + m \sin^2 \theta \dot{\phi}^2 r$ $\frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} = m r^2 \dot{\phi}^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$

$\frac{\partial T}{\partial \phi} = 0$

$\frac{\partial V}{\partial r} = \frac{GMm}{r^2} - \frac{3J_2 a^2 GMm}{2r^4} (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1)$

$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{GMm J_2 a^2}{r^3} 3 \cos \theta \sin \theta$ $\frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} = 0$

Conservation law from ϕ

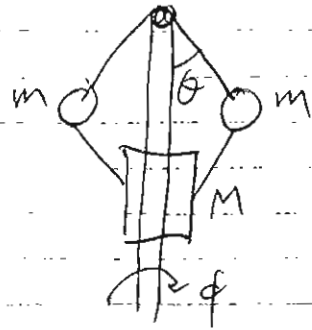
$\therefore r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\phi} = \text{const}$

The other equations are

$$r: \ddot{r} - \dot{\theta}^2 r + \sin^2 \theta \dot{\phi}^2 r + \frac{GM}{r^2} - \frac{3GMJ_2 a^2}{2r^4} (3\cos^2 \theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\theta: r^2 \ddot{\theta} - r^2 \dot{\phi}^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{3GMJ_2 a^2}{r^3} \cos \theta \sin \theta = 0$$

4(a) Use θ, ϕ as generalised coordinates, where $\dot{\phi} = \Omega$. Masses m have velocity $a\dot{\theta}$ in the plane of the diagram and $a\sin\theta\dot{\phi}$ into the page. Mass M has velocity $2a\sin\theta\dot{\theta}$ vertically.



So kinetic energy

$$T = 2 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} m (a^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + a^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\phi}^2) \right\} + \frac{1}{2} M (2a \sin \theta \dot{\theta})^2$$

Potential energy $V = 2mga(1 - \cos\theta) + M \cdot 2ga(1 - \cos\theta)$

Lagrange equations

$$\phi: \frac{d}{dt} (2ma^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\phi}) = Q = \text{driving torque on shaft}$$

$$\theta: \frac{d}{dt} [a^2 (m + 2M \sin^2 \theta) \cdot 2\dot{\theta}] - 4Ma^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \dot{\theta}^2 - 2ma^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \dot{\phi}^2 + 2(m+M)ga \sin \theta = 0$$

(b) Put $\dot{\phi} = \Omega = \text{constant}$ and simplify:

$$(m + 2M \sin^2 \theta) \ddot{\theta} + 2M \sin \theta \cos \theta \dot{\theta}^2 - m \sin \theta \cos \theta \Omega^2 + (m+M) \frac{g}{a} \sin \theta = 0 \quad (1)$$

(c) If $\theta = \text{constant}$, require $m \sin \theta \cos \theta \Omega^2 = (m+M) \frac{g}{a} \sin \theta$

so either $\sin \theta = 0$, so $\theta = 0$ or π (impossible)

or $\cos \theta = \frac{(m+M)g}{ma\Omega^2}$, OK provided ≤ 1

Case 1: $\Omega^2 < (m+M)g/ma$ = only root is $\theta = 0$

So perturb: let θ be small, and linearise (1)

Then $m \ddot{\theta} - m\theta\Omega^2 + (m+M) \frac{g}{a} \theta \approx 0$

ie $\ddot{\theta} + \left[\frac{(m+M)g}{ma} - \Omega^2 \right] \theta \approx 0$

4 (c) contd: So $\theta = 0$ solution is stable, and the motion for small θ is oscillatory with angular frequency

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{(m+M)g}{ma} - \Omega^2}$$

Case 2: $\Omega^2 > \frac{(m+M)g}{ma}$

Previous analysis shows that $\theta = 0$ solution is now unstable.

Investigate the other solution: let $\theta = \alpha + \delta$ where $\cos \alpha = \frac{(m+M)g}{ma\Omega^2}$ and $|\delta| \ll 1$

Reanalyse (1) again:

$$(m+2M \sin^2 \alpha) \ddot{\delta} - m(\sin \alpha + \delta \cos \alpha)(\cos \alpha - \delta \sin \alpha) \Omega^2 + (m+M)g(\sin \alpha + \delta \cos \alpha) \approx 0$$

$$\therefore (m+2M \sin^2 \alpha) \ddot{\delta} + \left\{ m\Omega^2 \sin^2 \alpha - m\Omega^2 \cos^2 \alpha + \frac{(m+M)g \cos \alpha}{a} \right\} \delta \approx 0$$

$$\therefore (m+2M \sin^2 \alpha) \ddot{\delta} + m\Omega^2 \sin^2 \alpha \delta \approx 0$$

So this solution is always stable when it exists, and the frequency of small oscillations in δ is

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{m\Omega^2 \sin^2 \alpha}{(m+2M \sin^2 \alpha)}}$$