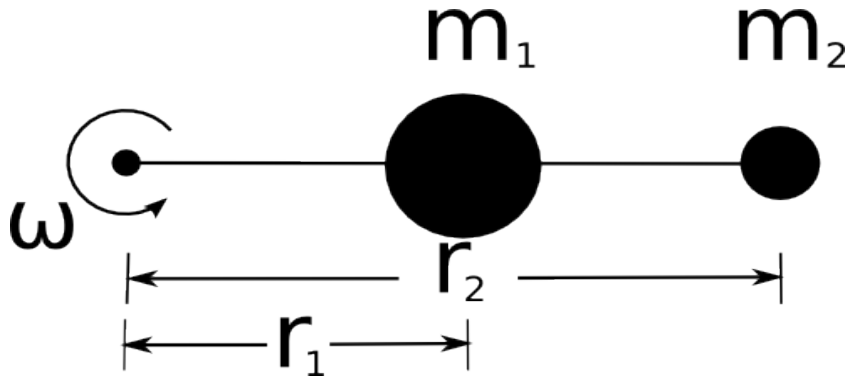


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Consider a thin (essentially massless) bar with two masses attached to it as pictured below. The bar is rotating about the point shown in the diagram with an angular velocity ω .



a) Write an expression for the total kinetic energy of the system in terms of r_1 , r_2 , and ω . Simplify your expression as much as possible.

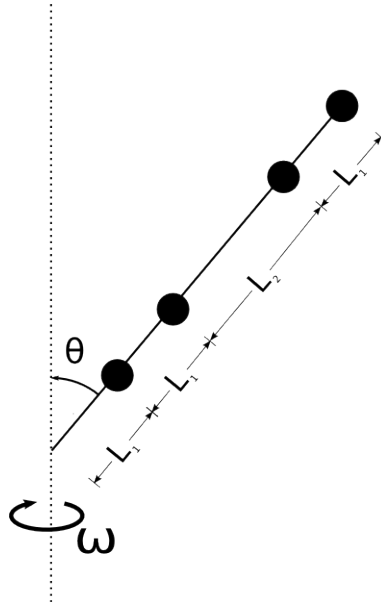
b) Generalize the expression above to a system with n masses (use a summation symbol, Σ , in your expression).

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Four point masses, each of mass m , are attached to a rigid massless rod that makes an angle θ with the axis of rotation. Let $L_2 = 2L_1$.

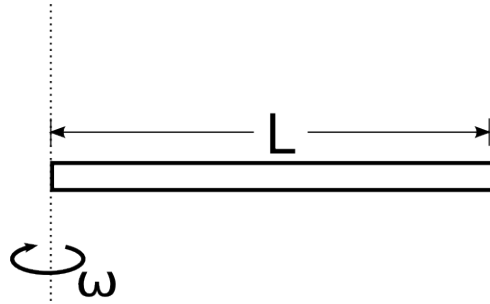
- What is the moment of inertia of this system?
- What is the kinetic energy of this system if it's rotating with angular velocity ω .



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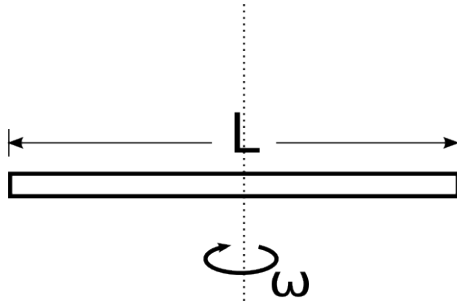
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Calculate the moment of inertia of a uniform bar of length L and mass M about the axis of rotation shown.



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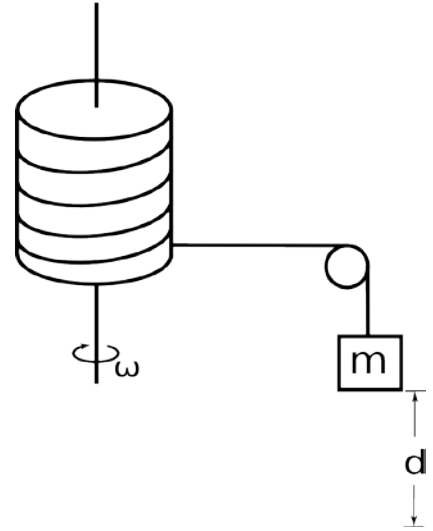
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A solid cylinder of mass M and radius R is allowed to rotate without friction about an axis through its center as shown. A massless string is wrapped around the cylinder, passes over a small massless frictionless pulley and is attached to a small mass m .

If the mass and the cylinder start from rest, what will the angular velocity of the cylinder be after the mass falls through a distance d ?

Using conservation of energy, find an expression for ω_f in terms of d , M , m , and R .



Rotation – Set 1

6

Use work energy to solve the following problem.

Two masses are connected by a light string passing over a frictionless pulley. the Mass m_2 is released from rest at a height of 4.0 m above the ground. You can treat the pulley as a solid disk.

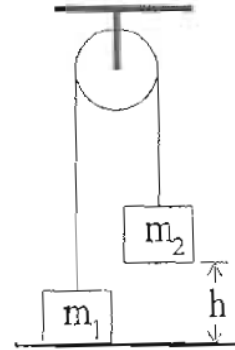
Determine the speed of m_1 as m_2 hits the ground.

$$m_1 = 3.0 \text{ kg}$$

$$m_2 = 5.0 \text{ kg}$$

$$m_{\text{pulley}} = 0.5 \text{ kg}$$

$$r_{\text{pulley}} = 0.1 \text{ m}$$



Rotation – Set 1

7

A block of mass M rests on a rough table with $\mu_k = 0.3$. A massless string is attached to the block, wrapped around a solid cylinder having a mass M and a radius R , runs over a massless frictionless pulley, and is attached to a second block of mass M that is hanging freely.

Using work/energy techniques, calculate the velocity of the blocks after they have moved a distance d .

$$K_o = \frac{1}{2} M v^2$$

[NOTE: Do NOT use torque/kinematics]

