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Practice - 10.3 Dynamics of Rotational Motion: Rotational Inertia

1. Calculate the rotational inertia of a solid sphere of mass $M = 5.0$ kg and a radius of $R = 0.25$ m.

$$I = \frac{2}{5}MR^2 = \frac{2}{5}(5.0\text{kg})(0.25\text{m})^2 = \boxed{0.13\text{ kg m}^2}$$

0.125 kg m^2

2. Calculate the rotational inertia of a solid cylinder of mass $M = 2.0$ kg and a radius of $R = 0.075$ m about its central axis.

$$I = \frac{1}{2}MR^2 = \frac{1}{2}(2.0\text{kg})(0.075\text{m})^2 = \boxed{5.6 \times 10^{-3}\text{ kg m}^2}$$

3. Suppose you exert a force of 180 N tangential to a 0.280-m-radius 75.0-kg grindstone (a solid disk).

A. What torque is exerted?

$$\tau = rF = (0.280\text{m})(180\text{N}) = \boxed{50.4\text{ N}\cdot\text{m}}$$

$50.40\text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$

B. What is the angular acceleration assuming negligible opposing friction?

$$\tau = I\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\tau}{I} = \frac{\tau}{\frac{1}{2}MR^2} = \frac{50.40\text{ N}\cdot\text{m}}{\frac{1}{2}(75.0\text{kg})(0.280\text{m})^2} = \boxed{17.1\frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2}}$$

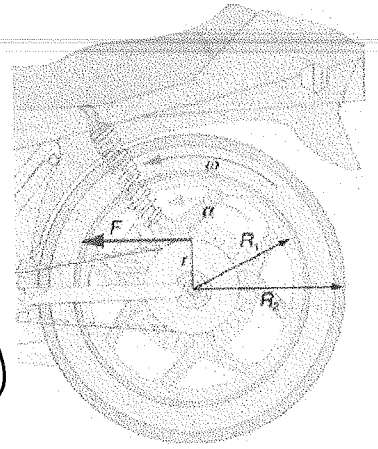
$17.14\frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2}$

C. What is the angular acceleration if there is an opposing frictional force of 20.0 N exerted 1.50 cm from the axis?

$$\alpha = \frac{\tau_{\text{NET}}}{I} = \frac{50.40 - (1.50 \times 10^{-2}\text{m})(20.0\text{N})}{\frac{1}{2}(75.0\text{kg})(0.280\text{m})^2} = \boxed{17.0\frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2}}$$

$17.04\frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2}$

4. Consider a 12.0 kg motorcycle wheel to be approximately an annular ring with an inner radius of 0.280 m and an outer radius of 0.330 m. The motorcycle is on its center stand, so that the wheel can spin freely.



A. If the drive chain exerts a force of 2200 N at a radius of 5.00 cm, what is the angular acceleration of the wheel?

$$I = \frac{1}{2} m (R_1^2 + R_2^2) = \frac{1}{2} (12.0 \text{ kg}) ((0.280 \text{ m})^2 + (0.330 \text{ m})^2)$$

$$= 1.124 \text{ kg m}^2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\tau}{I} = \frac{(5.00 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m})(2200 \text{ N})}{1.124 \text{ kg m}^2} = \boxed{97.9 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2}} \quad 97.88 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2}$$

B. What is the tangential acceleration of a point on the outer edge of the tire?

$$a_t = \alpha r = (97.88 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2})(0.330 \text{ m}) = \boxed{32.3 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}}$$

C. How long, starting from rest, does it take to reach an angular velocity of 80.0 rad/s?

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t \Rightarrow t = \frac{\omega}{\alpha} = \frac{80.0 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}}{97.88 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2}} = \boxed{0.817 \text{ s}}$$

5. Zorch, an archenemy of Superman, decides to slow Earth's rotation once per 28.0 h by exerting an opposing force at and parallel to the equator. Superman is not immediately concerned, because he knows Zorch can only exert a force of 4.00×10^7 N (a little greater than a Saturn V rocket's thrust). How long must Zorch push with this force to accomplish his goal? (This period gives Superman time to devote to other villains.) Assume the Earth is a uniform solid sphere of mass $M = 5.97 \times 10^{24}$ kg and a radius $R = 6371$ km.

$$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{24 \text{ h} \left(\frac{3600 \text{ s}}{1 \text{ h}} \right)} = 7.272 \times 10^{-5} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\omega_f = \frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{28 \text{ h} \left(\frac{3600 \text{ s}}{1 \text{ h}} \right)} = 6.233 \times 10^{-5} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\tau}{I} = \frac{rF}{\frac{2}{5}MR^2} = \frac{(6371 \times 10^3 \text{ m})(4.00 \times 10^7 \text{ N})}{\frac{2}{5}(5.97 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg})(6371 \times 10^3 \text{ m})^2} = 2.629 \times 10^{-24} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_f = \omega_0 + \alpha t &\Rightarrow t = \frac{\omega_f - \omega_0}{\alpha} = \frac{6.233 \times 10^{-5} - 7.272 \times 10^{-5} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}}{-2.629 \times 10^{-24} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2}} \\ &= \boxed{3.95 \times 10^{18} \text{ s}} \left(\frac{1 \text{ y}}{3.16 \times 10^7 \text{ s}} \right) \\ &= \boxed{1.25 \times 10^{11} \text{ y}} \end{aligned}$$