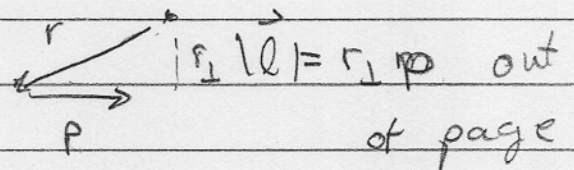


Last Time:

① Defined angular momentum of a particle

$$\vec{l} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$$



Can easily show:  $\rightarrow$  the

$$\frac{d\vec{l}}{dt} = \sum \vec{r} \times \vec{F}_{\text{ext}} = \sum \vec{\tau}_{\text{ext}} \leftarrow \text{analogous to } \vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$$

Proof: "the sum of  $\vec{\tau}_{\text{ext}}$  is equal to the rate of change of  $\vec{l}$ "

$$\frac{d(\vec{r} \times \vec{p})}{dt} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \times \vec{p} + \vec{r} \times \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$$

$$= \cancel{\vec{v} \times m\vec{v}} + \vec{r} \times \vec{F}$$

$\vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$   
 $\uparrow$   
in a frame which moves @ constant vel

② For many particles

$$\vec{L} = \sum_i \vec{l}_i$$

One shows

$$\frac{d\vec{L}}{dt} = \sum_i \vec{\tau}_{\text{ext}}$$

$\leftarrow$  holds in an inertial frame

As a benefit

$$\frac{d\vec{L}}{dt}_{cm} = \sum \vec{\tau}_{ext}^{cm} \quad \leftarrow \text{always true}$$

③ For a rigid body spinning around  
an axis

$$\vec{L} = I\vec{\omega}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{L}}{dt} = I \frac{d\vec{\omega}}{dt} = I\vec{\alpha}$$

④ If no external torques

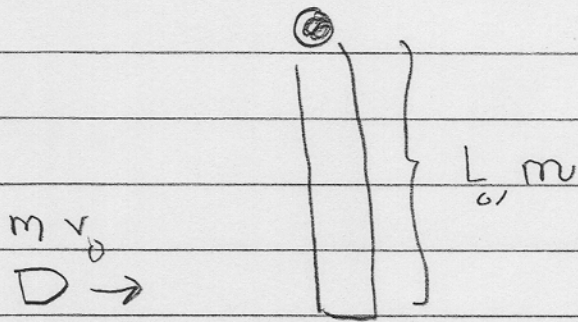
$$\frac{d\vec{L}}{dt} = 0 \quad \vec{L} = \text{constant}$$

= Angular momentum  
constant

For simple cases (skater, cat)

$$I_i \omega_i = I_f \omega_f$$

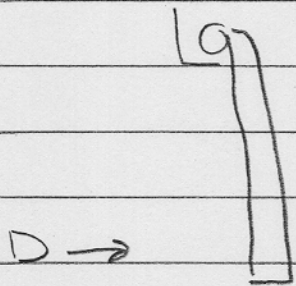
Problem:



Determine the speed  $v_0$  required so that the rod reaches the top of the arc

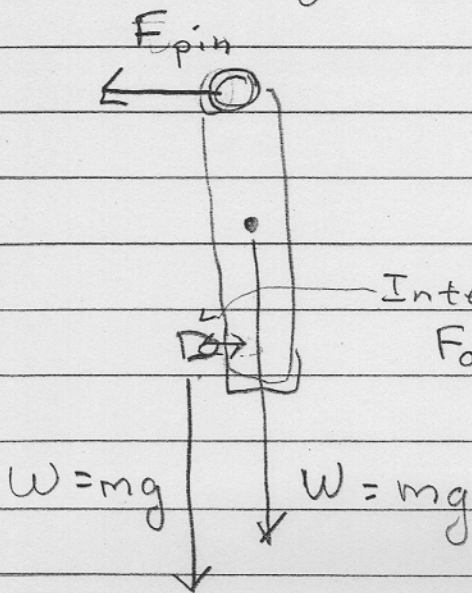
$L_0 = \text{Length} \neq \text{angular momentum}$

Q: Is momentum conserved? No!



Compare to a rod just placed on a ledge. Then the rod would go flying

Q: Is angular momentum conserved? Yes!



Draw a FBD

$$\frac{d\vec{L}}{dt} = \sum \vec{\tau}_{\text{ext}}$$

$$= \vec{\tau}_{\text{pin}} + \vec{\tau}_{\text{rod}} + \vec{\tau}_{\text{bullet}}$$

$F_{\text{pin}} = 0$        $F_{\text{rod}} = 0$        $F_{\text{bullet}} = 0$

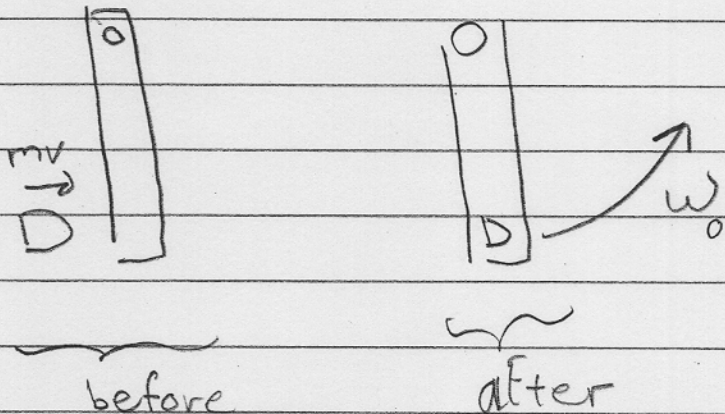
$$\vec{L} = \text{constant}$$

Since

force  $\perp$  to  $R$

$$|\vec{\tau}| = |\vec{R} \times \vec{F}| = R F_{\perp}$$

So



$$L_{\text{before}} = L_{\text{bullet}} + L_{\text{rod}} = L_{\text{after}}$$

$$= r_{\perp} p = \frac{I_f \omega_0}{f}$$

$$= L_0 m v_B = I_f \omega_0$$

$$I_f = I_{\text{bullet}} + I_{\text{rod}} = mL_0^2 + \frac{1}{3}ML_0^2 = \frac{4}{3}ML^2$$

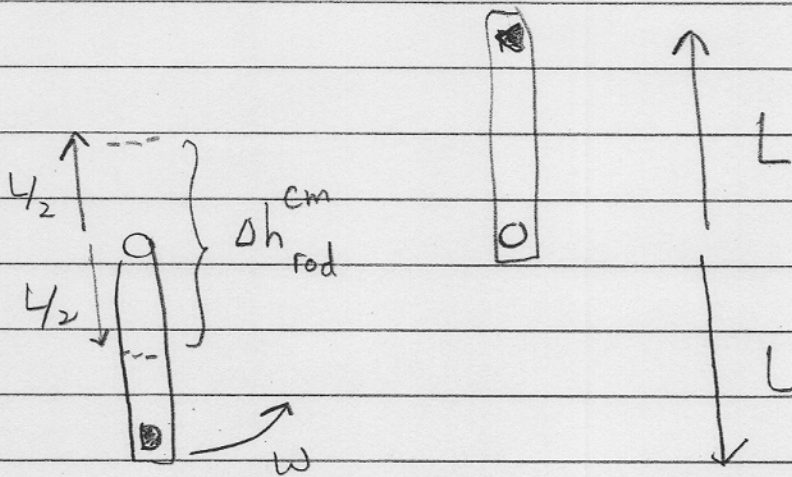
from table

So

$$L_0 m v_B = \frac{4}{3} M L_0^2 \omega_0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{3}{4} \frac{v_B}{L_0} \quad \text{units } \frac{1}{s}$$

Now if the bullet/rod just reaches top



$$KE_{bottom} = \Delta PE$$

$$\frac{1}{2} I \omega^2 = \Delta PE_{rod} + \Delta PE_{bullet}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{4}{3} M L^2 \right) \left( \frac{3}{4} \frac{v_B}{L} \right)^2 = mgL + mg2L$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m v_B^2 \cdot \frac{3}{4} = 3mgL$$

$$v_B^2 = 8gL \Rightarrow v_B = \sqrt{8gL}$$

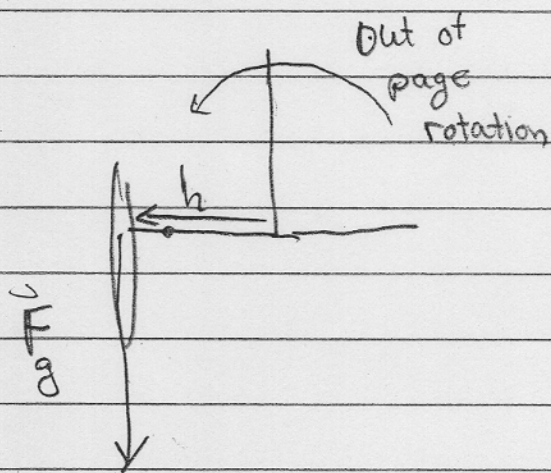
# Precession of Gyroscopes / Tops

→ Unbelievably Rich Subject

→ Studied in Amazing Detail, Klein + Sommerfeld

"Theorie des Kreisels" in four volumes

## Example One - Demonstrated (No Spinning)

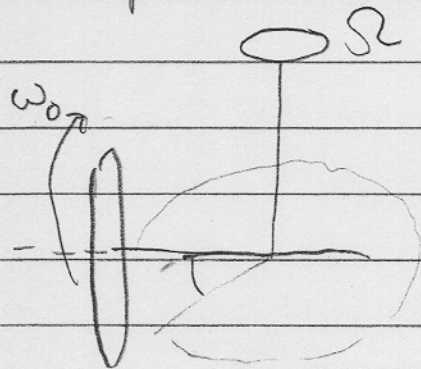


$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{R} \times \vec{F}_g \quad \text{out of page}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{L}}{dt} = hF \hat{k}$$

↑ The torque causes out of page rotation

## Example 2 - Demonstrated (with spinning)



• first observation is that the wheel doesn't topple

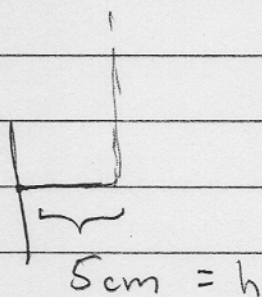
• Next observation the wheel precesses with angular velocity  $\Omega$

Estimates:

- $V \sim 2 \text{ m/s}$   
 $R \sim 40 \text{ cm}$

$$\omega_0 \sim \frac{V}{R} \sim 5 \text{ rad/s} \sim 0.8 \text{ rev/s}$$

- $M \sim 20 \text{ lbs} \sim 9 \text{ kg}$



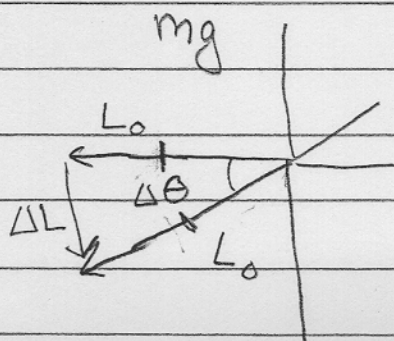
Analysis:

$$\vec{L}_0 = I \vec{\omega}_0$$

$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{R} \times \vec{F} = h m g \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{\tau} = \frac{d\vec{L}}{dt}$$

$$h m g = \frac{\Delta L}{\Delta t}$$



$$\Delta t \frac{h m g}{L_0} = \frac{\Delta L}{L_0}$$

Conclude

$$\Delta t \frac{hmg}{I\omega_0} = \Delta\theta$$

precession frequency

$$\frac{hmg}{mR^2\omega_0} = \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta t} = \Omega$$

$$\boxed{\frac{hg}{R^2\omega_0} = \Omega}$$

Lets estimate :

$$\Omega = \frac{(0.05\text{m})(9.8\text{m/s}^2)}{(0.4\text{m})^2 \left(\frac{5}{\text{s}}\right)} = 0.6125 \frac{1}{\text{s}} \leftarrow \text{units radians}$$

$$f = 0.1 \text{ rev/s} = \frac{\Omega}{2\pi}$$

$$\boxed{\text{Period} = \frac{1}{f} \approx 10\text{s}}$$