

**Spring 2014**

**PHYS-2010**

**Lecture 33**

# Announcements

- Read Giancoli **Chapter 8 on Rotational Motion**.
- Next CAPA # 11 due tomorrow at 11 pm.
- No written Homework due this week.
- **Study Session** by Prof. Pollock: tomorrow, 5-6pm, G125.
- **Midterm Exam 3** on Thursday, April 10, 7:30 pm.
- **Practice exam** is posted on D2L.
- Material covered on exam: Giancoli Chapters 5-7  
(Gravity, Kepler's laws, Work, Energy, Power, Momentum, Collisions)
- **Exam seating:**
  - if your TA is Rosemary Wulf or Andrew Hess, your exam is here, G1B30.
  - if your TA is Jake Fish or Clarissa Briner, your exam is next door, G1B20.
- More details about the exam are on the course website:

# Rotational Dynamics

<u>Translation</u>	$\leftrightarrow$	<u>Rotation</u>	
$x$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\theta$	angle of rotation (rads)
$v = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\omega = \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t} = \frac{v}{r} = \frac{2\pi}{\tau} = 2\pi f$	angular velocity (rad/s)
$a = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\alpha = \frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta t} = \frac{a_{\text{tan}}}{r}$	angular acceleration (rad/s <sup>2</sup> )
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$F$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\tau = r F_{\perp}$	torque (N m)
$M$	$\leftrightarrow$	$I = \sum m r^2$	moment of inertia (kg m <sup>2</sup> )
$F_{\text{net}} = M a$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\tau_{\text{net}} = I \alpha$	Newton's 2 <sup>nd</sup> Law
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# Torque and Moment of Inertia

$$\tau \equiv rF_{\perp}$$

Rotational Analog to Newton's Second Law ( $F = ma$ ):

$$\tau = I\alpha$$

Units of  $\tau$ : Nm

Units of  $I$ : kg m<sup>2</sup>

Units of  $\alpha$ : rad/s<sup>2</sup>

Torque = (moment of inertia) x (rotational acceleration)

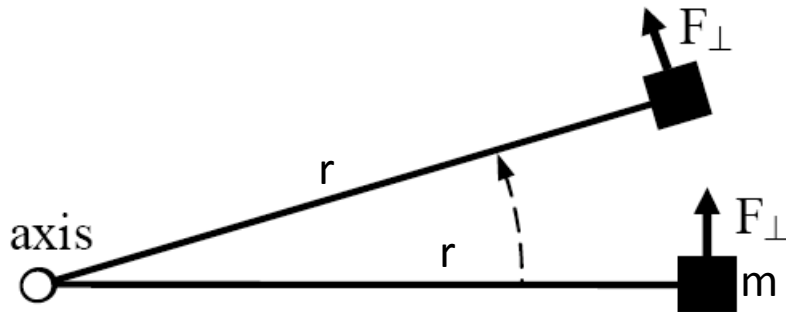
**Moment of inertia** / depends on the distribution of mass and, therefore, on the shape of an object.

$$I_{\text{point}} = mr^2$$

Moment of inertia for a point mass is the mass times the square of the distance of the mass from the axis of rotation.

# Torque and Moment of Inertia

$$\tau \equiv rF_{\perp} = I\alpha$$



Consider a point mass  $m$  to which we apply a constant tangential force  $F_{\perp}$ .

$$a_{\text{tan}} = r\alpha$$

$$F_{\perp} = ma_{\text{tan}} = mr\alpha$$

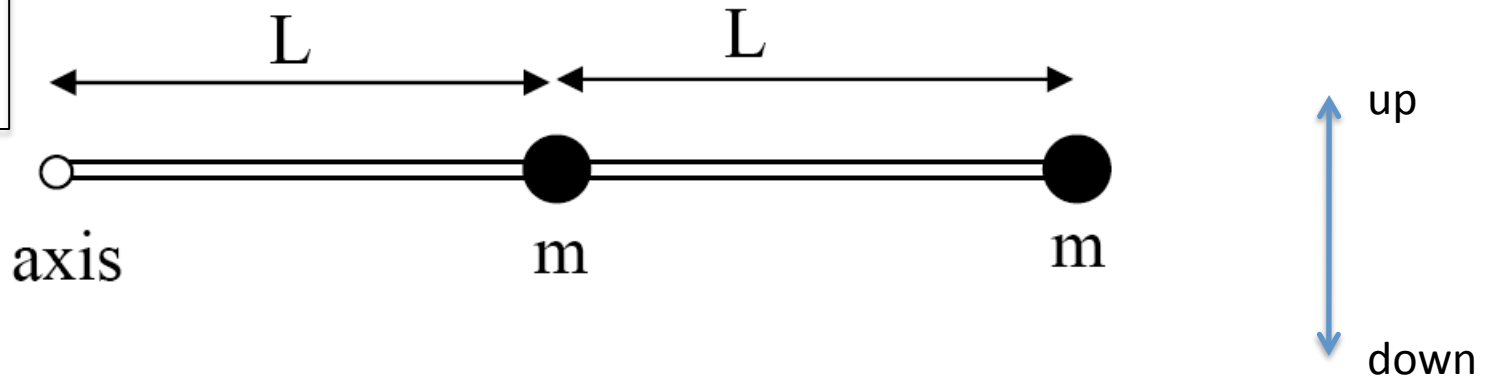
$$\tau \equiv rF_{\perp} = mr^2\alpha = I\alpha$$

$$I = mr^2$$

Thus, the moment of inertia for a point mass is equal to  $mr^2$ .

$$\tau \equiv rF_{\perp} = I\alpha$$

$$I_{\text{point}} = mr^2$$



A light rod of length  $2L$  has two heavy masses (each with mass  $m$ ) attached at the end and middle. The axis of rotation is at one end. What is the moment of inertia about the axis?

A)  $mL^2$

B)  $2mL^2$

C)  $4mL^2$

D)  $5mL^2$

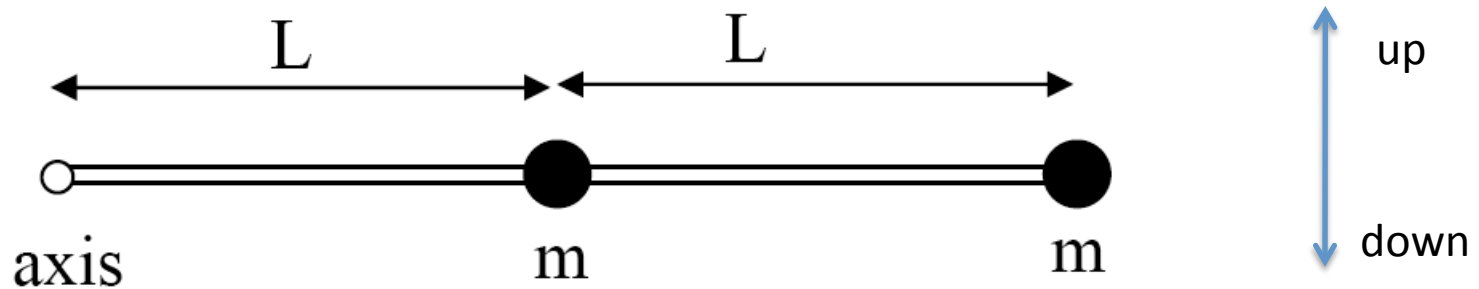
E)  $9mL^2$

$$I = \sum m_i r_i^2 = mL^2 + m(2L)^2 = 5mL^2$$

# Clicker Question

## Room Frequency BA

$$\tau \equiv rF_{\perp} = I\alpha$$
$$I_{\text{point}} = mr^2$$



A light rod of length  $2L$  has two heavy masses (each with mass  $m$ ) attached at the end and middle. The axis of rotation is at one end.

1) What is the moment of inertia about the axis?  $I = 5mL^2$

2) What is the net torque due to gravity when it's released?

A)  $2mgL$

B)  $-2mgL$

C)  $3mgL$

D)  $-3mgL$

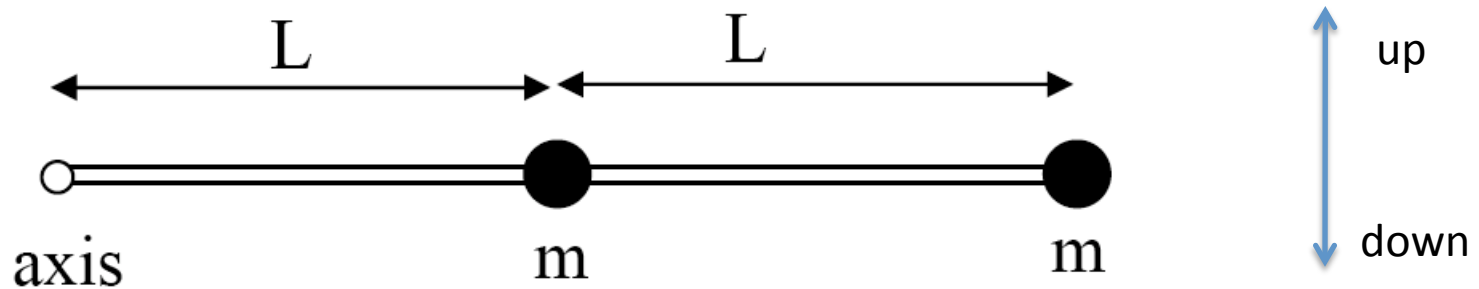
E)  $4mgL$

$$\tau = \tau_1 + \tau_2 = -r_1F_{\perp} - r_2F_{\perp} = -L(mg) - 2L(mg) = -3Lmg$$

$$\tau = -|\tau| = -3mgL \text{ because all torques are CW.}$$

$$\tau \equiv rF_{\perp} = I\alpha$$

$$I_{\text{point}} = mr^2$$



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- 1) What is the moment of inertia about the axis?  $I = 5mL^2$
- 2) What is the net torque due to gravity when it's released?  $\tau = -3mgL$
- 3) If the bar's released from rest, what's the magnitude of its angular acceleration?

A)  $\frac{3g}{5L}$

B)  $\frac{5g}{3L}$

C)  $\frac{7L}{3g}$

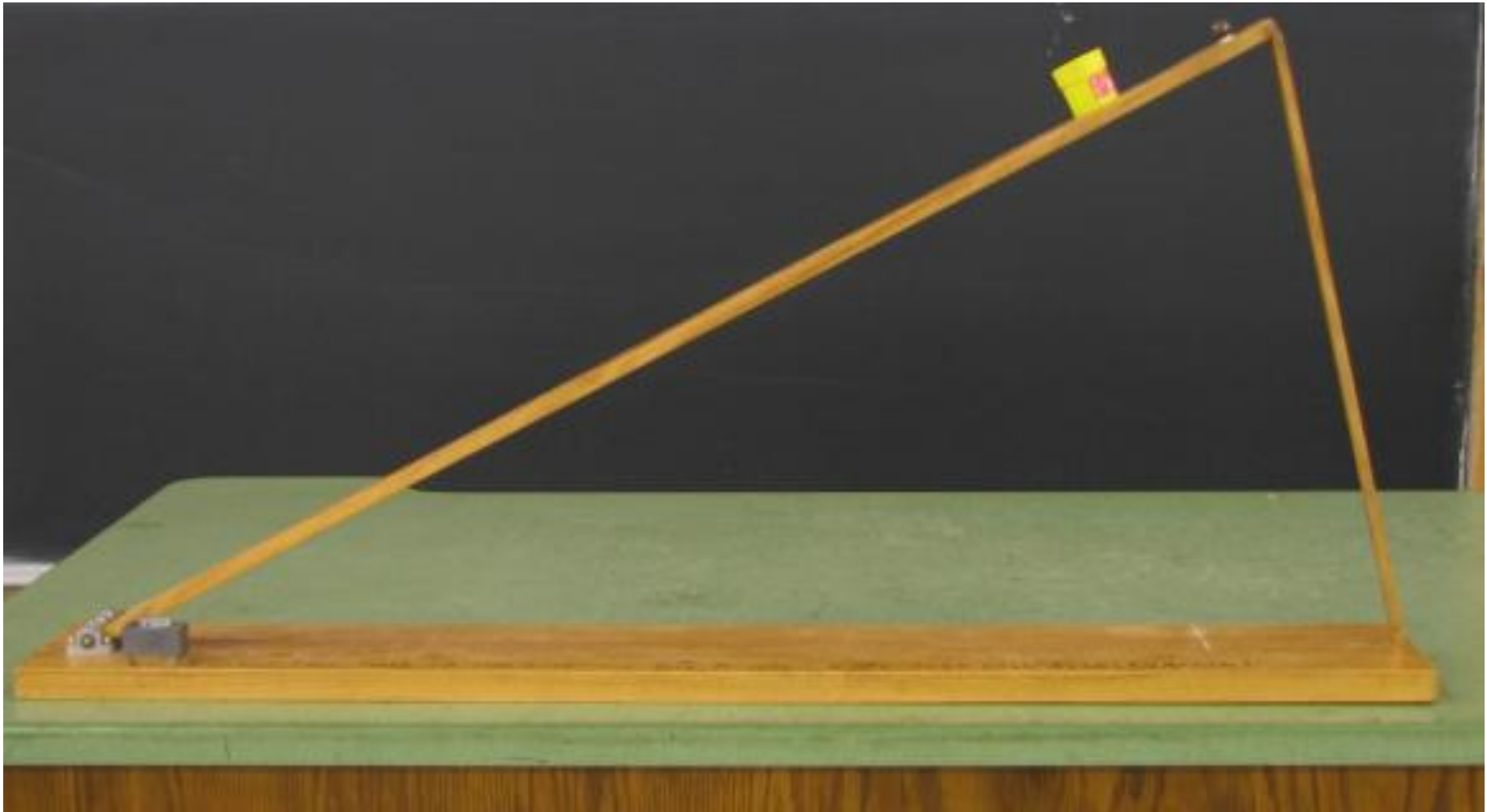
D)  $\frac{3L}{5g}$

$$\alpha = \frac{\tau}{I} = \frac{-3mgL}{5mL^2} = -\frac{3g}{5L}$$

$$|\alpha| = \frac{3g}{5L}$$



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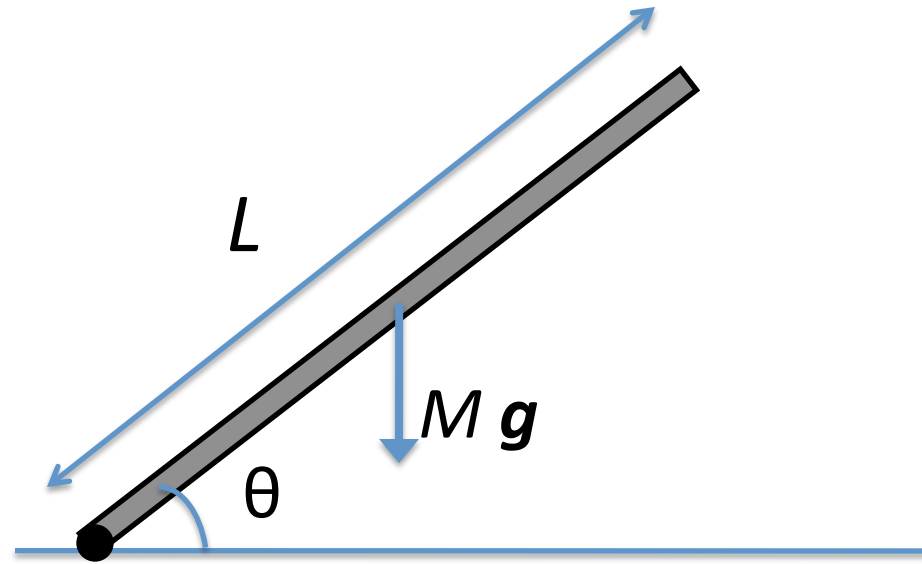
## Room Frequency BA

A rod of length  $L$  and mass  $M$  makes an angle  $\theta$  with a horizontal table.

1) What is the magnitude of the torque  $\tau$  exerted on the rod by gravity?

- A)  $ML$       B)  $Mg \sin \theta$       C)  $MgL$

D)  $0.5 MgL \cos \theta$



**Hint:** for a uniform extended rod, the torque due to the force of gravity is applied at the center of mass, i.e., the middle of the rod.

$$\tau = F_{g, \text{ perp}} (L/2) = Mg \cos \theta (L/2)$$