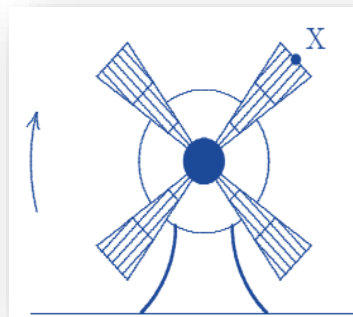


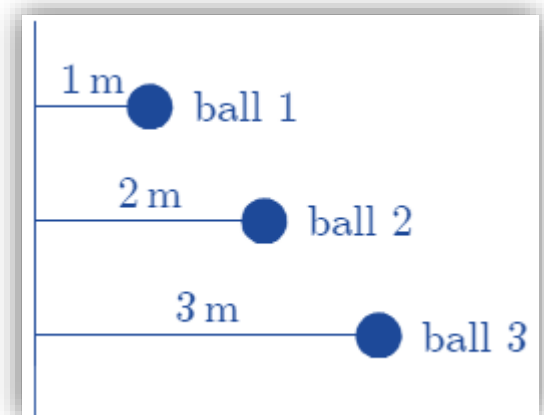
7. Ten seconds after an electric fan is turned on, the fan rotates at 300 rev/min. Its average angular acceleration is:
- A. 3.14 rad/s^2 B. 30 rad/s^2
 C. 30 rev/s^2 D. 50 rev/min^2
8. The angular velocity of a rotating wheel increases by 2 rev/s every minute. The angular acceleration in rad/s^2 of this wheel is:
- A. $4\pi^2$ B. 2π
 C. $1/30$ D. $\pi/15$
9. A child, riding on a large merry-go-round, travels a distance of 3000m in a circle of diameter 40 m. The total angle through which she revolves is:
- A. 50 rad B. 75 rad
 C. 150 rad D. 314 rad
10. The fan shown has been turned on and is now slowing as it rotates clockwise. The direction of the acceleration of the point X on the fan tip could be:

- A. ↗
 B. ↖
 C. ↓
 D. ←



11. Three identical balls are tied by light strings to the same rod and rotate around it, as shown below. Rank the balls according to their rotational inertia, least to greatest.

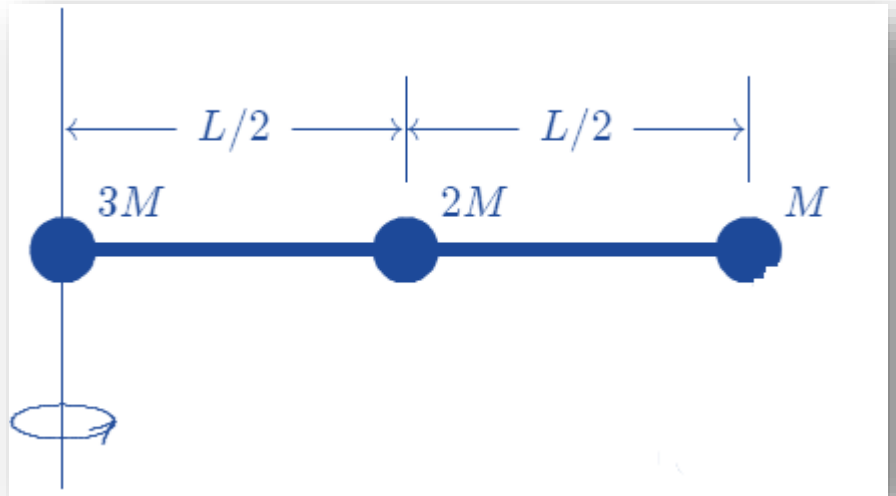
- A. 1, 2, 3 B. 3, 2, 1
 C. 3, then 1 and 2 tie
 D. 1, 3, 2



12. Three identical balls, with masses of M , $2M$, and $3M$, are fastened to a massless rod of length L as shown. The

rotational inertia about the left end of the rod is:

- A. $ML^2/2$
- B. ML^2
- C. $3ML^2/2$
- D. $3ML^2/4$



13. The rotational inertia of a wheel about its axle does not depend upon its:
- A. diameter
 - B. mass
 - C. distribution of mass
 - D. speed of rotation
14. A uniform solid cylinder made of lead has the same mass and the same length as a uniform solid cylinder made of wood. The rotational inertia of the lead cylinder compared to the wooden one is:
- A. greater
 - B. less
 - C. same
 - D. unknown unless the radii are given
15. The rotational inertia of a disk about its axis is 0.70 kgm^2 . When a 2.0-kg weight is added to its rim, 0.40m from the axis, the rotational inertia becomes:
- A. 0.38 kgm^2
 - B. 0.54 kgm^2
 - C. 0.70 kgm^2
 - D. 1.0kgm^2
16. When a thin uniform stick of mass M and length L is pivoted about its midpoint, its rotational inertia is $ML^2/12$. When pivoted about a parallel axis through one end, its rotational inertia is:
- A. $ML^2/12$
 - B. $ML^2/6$
 - C. $ML^2/3$
 - D. $7ML^2/12$

compartment change if the person begins to run in the compartment?

We know that velocity of centre of mass of a system changes only when an external force act on it. The person and the compartment form one system on which no external force is applied when the person begins to run. Therefore, there will be no change in velocity of centre of mass of the compartment.

3. An isolated particle of mass m is moving in a horizontal plane (X-Y) along the x-axis at a certain height above the ground. It explodes suddenly into two fragments of masses $m/4$ and $3m/4$. An instant later, the smaller fragment is at $y = +15$ cm. What is the position of larger fragment at this instant?

As isolated particle is moving along x-axis at a certain height above the ground, there is no motion along Y-axis. Further, the explosion is under internal forces only. Therefore, centre of mass remains stationary along Y-axis after collision. Let the co-

ordinates of centre of mass be $(x_{cm}, 0)$. Now, $y_{cm} = \frac{m_1 y_1 + m_2 y_2}{m_1 + m_2} = 0$ $\therefore m_1 y_1 + m_2 y_2 = 0$ or

$$m_2 = \frac{-m_1 y_1}{y_2} \quad \Big| \quad y_2 = \frac{-m_1 y_1}{m_2} = \frac{-m/4}{3m/4} \times 15 = -5\text{cm}$$

\therefore Larger fragment will be at $y = -5$ cm; along x-axis.

4. If a body is rotating, is it necessarily being acted upon by an external torque?

No, torque is required only for producing angular acceleration. For uniform rotation, no torque is needed.

5. Why is the handle of a screw made wide?

Turning moment of a force = force \times distance (r) from the axis of rotation. To produce a given turning moment, force required is smaller, when r is large. This is what happens when handle of the screw is made wide.

6. For a given mass and size, moment of inertia of a solid disc is smaller than that of a ring. Why?

This is because entire mass of ring is at its periphery i.e. at maximum distance from the centre. The mass of disc is distributed from the centre to the rim

7. Two satellites of equal masses, which can be considered as particles are orbiting the earth at different heights. Will their moments of inertia be same or different?

Moments of inertia of the two satellites will be different. This is because, $I = \text{mass} \times (\text{distance})^2$. For the satellite revolving at a greater height, distance from the axis of rotation is larger. Therefore, its moment of inertia is larger.

8. How will you distinguish between a hard-boiled egg and a raw egg by spinning each on a table top?

To distinguish between a hard-boiled egg and a raw egg, we spin each on a table top. The egg which spins at a slower rate shall be a raw egg. This is because in a raw egg, liquid matter inside tries to get away from the axis of rotation. Therefore, its moment of inertia I increases. As $\tau = I\alpha = \text{constant}$, therefore, α decreases i.e. raw egg will spin with smaller angular acceleration.

9. If earth were to shrink suddenly, what would happen to the length of the day?

If earth were to shrink suddenly, its radius R would decrease. The moment of inertia of earth $= \frac{2}{5}MR^2$ would decrease. As no external torque is acting on earth, its angular momentum $L = I\omega = I\frac{2\pi}{T}$ remains constant. As I decreases, T must decrease. Hence the length of the day will decrease.

10. If the ice on the polar caps of the earth melts, how will it affect the duration of the day? Explain.

- Earth rotates about its polar axis. When ice of polar caps of earth melts, mass concentrated near the axis of rotation spreads out. Therefore, moment of inertia I

increases. As no external torque acts,

$$\therefore L = I\omega = I(2\pi/T) = \text{constant}$$

With increases of I, T will increase i.e. length of the day will increase.

ANSWERS OF MCQs; -1. (D), 2. (B), 3. (C), 4. (D), 5. (D), 6. (D), 7. (A), 8. (D), 9. (C), 10. (C), 11. (A), 12. (D), 13. (D), 14. (B), 15. (D), 16. (C), 17. (D), 18. (D), 19. (C), 20. (D)

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