

Angular momentum of a particle -

Moment of momentum of any particle is called angular momentum. If m is the mass of the body and v its velocity, then its momentum is given by $\underline{p} = m\underline{v}$

Moment of this momentum is

$$\underline{L} = \underline{r} \times \underline{p}$$

where \underline{r} is position vector (radius vector) of the body and \underline{L} denotes the angular momentum. Further since $\underline{v} = \underline{\omega} \times \underline{r}$

so the relation of angular momentum becomes

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{L} &= \underline{r} \times m\underline{v} = m \underline{r} \times \underline{v} \\ &= m \underline{r} \times (\underline{\omega} \times \underline{r}) \\ &= m((\underline{r} \cdot \underline{r})\underline{\omega} - (\underline{r} \cdot \underline{\omega})\underline{r}) \\ &= m(r^2\underline{\omega} - \underline{r} \cdot \underline{\omega} \underline{r})\end{aligned}$$

Another notation for the A.M. is 'J'.

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§ Angular momentum of a system of particles:

Consider a system of n particles having masses m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n such that their respective radius vectors are given by $\underline{r}_1, \underline{r}_2, \dots, \underline{r}_n$. For any particle, we can

If v_i is linear velocity of any i th particle,
Then we can write

$$\underline{v}_i = \underline{\omega} \times \underline{r}_i, \text{ where } \underline{r}_i \text{ is the position vector of the } i\text{th particle.}$$

It is also assumed that each particle is moving with same angular velocity $\underline{\omega}$.

So the angular ~~velocity~~ ^{momentum} of the i th particle is

$$L_i = \underline{r}_i \times \underline{p}_i$$
$$\text{or } L_i = \underline{r}_i \times m_i \underline{v}_i = m_i \underline{r}_i \times \underline{v}_i$$
$$L_i = m_i \underline{r}_i \times (\underline{\omega} \times \underline{r}_i)$$

So for the entire system, the total angular momentum becomes,

$$L = \sum_{i=1}^n L_i$$
$$= \sum m_i \underline{r}_i \times (\underline{\omega} \times \underline{r}_i)$$
$$= \sum m_i ((\underline{r}_i \cdot \underline{r}_i) \underline{\omega} - (\underline{r}_i \cdot \underline{\omega}) \underline{r}_i) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$L = J$

using $\underline{r}_i = x_i \hat{i} + y_i \hat{j} + z_i \hat{k}$
 $\underline{\omega} = \omega_x \hat{i} + \omega_y \hat{j} + \omega_z \hat{k}$
and $\underline{L} = L_x \hat{i} + L_y \hat{j} + L_z \hat{k}$

we get from (1)

$$L_x = \sum m_i \{ r_i^2 \omega - (\underline{r}_i \cdot \underline{\omega}) r_i \}$$

$$= \sum m_i \{ (x_i^2 + y_i^2 + z_i^2) (\omega_x \hat{i} + \omega_y \hat{j} + \omega_z \hat{k}) - (x_i \omega_x + y_i \omega_y + z_i \omega_z) (x_i \hat{i} + y_i \hat{j} + z_i \hat{k}) \}$$

Now taking "x" component on both sides

$$L_x = \sum m_i \{ (x_i^2 + y_i^2 + z_i^2) \omega_x - (\omega_x x_i + \omega_y y_i + \omega_z z_i) x_i \}$$

$$= \sum m_i \{ (x_i^2 + y_i^2 + z_i^2) \omega_x - (x_i^2 \omega_x + \omega_y x_i y_i + \omega_z x_i z_i) \}$$

$$= \sum m_i \{ (y_i^2 + z_i^2) \omega_x - (x_i y_i \omega_y + x_i z_i \omega_z) \}$$

$$= \sum m_i (y_i^2 + z_i^2) \omega_x - \sum m_i \omega_y x_i y_i - \sum m_i \omega_z x_i z_i$$

$$= \left(\sum m_i (y_i^2 + z_i^2) \right) \omega_x + (-\sum m_i x_i y_i) \omega_y + (-\sum m_i x_i z_i) \omega_z$$

$$L_x = I_{xx} \omega_x + I_{xy} \omega_y + I_{xz} \omega_z$$

where $I_{xx} = \sum m_i (y_i^2 + z_i^2)$

$$I_{xy} = -\sum m_i x_i y_i$$

$$I_{xz} = -\sum m_i x_i z_i$$

are known as moment of inertia and product of inertia along x-axis.

Similarly for components along y-axis and z-axis
we get $L_y = I_{yx} \omega_x + I_{yy} \omega_y + I_{yz} \omega_z$

$$I_{yy} = \sum m_i (z_i^2 + x_i^2), \quad I_{yz} = -\sum m_i z_i y_i$$

and $L_z = I_{zx} \omega_x + I_{zy} \omega_y + I_{zz} \omega_z$ and $I_{xx} = \sum m_i (y_i^2 + z_i^2)$
have $I_{zz} = \sum m_i (x_i^2 + y_i^2)$

$$I_{zx} = -\sum m_i z_i x_i \quad \text{and} \quad I_{zy} = -\sum m_i z_i y_i$$

The three moments of inertia can also be written as

$$I_{xx} = \sum m_i (r_i^2 - x_i^2)$$

$$I_{yy} = \sum m_i (r_i^2 - y_i^2)$$

$$I_{zz} = \sum m_i (r_i^2 - z_i^2)$$

The three eqs of angular momentum

$$L_x = I_{xx} \omega_x + I_{xy} \omega_y + I_{xz} \omega_z$$

$$L_y = I_{yx} \omega_x + I_{yy} \omega_y + I_{yz} \omega_z$$

$$L_z = I_{zx} \omega_x + I_{zy} \omega_y + I_{zz} \omega_z$$

can also be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} L_x \\ L_y \\ L_z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} I_{xx} & I_{xy} & I_{xz} \\ I_{yx} & I_{yy} & I_{yz} \\ I_{zx} & I_{zy} & I_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \omega_x \\ \omega_y \\ \omega_z \end{pmatrix}$$

where as $\begin{pmatrix} I_{xx} & I_{xy} & I_{xz} \\ I_{yx} & I_{yy} & I_{yz} \\ I_{zx} & I_{zy} & I_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$ is called inertia matrix

Moment of inertia for a rigid body

We have calculated M.O.I for a system of n particles, e.g. $I_{xx} = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i (y_i^2 + z_i^2)$ etc

A rigid body can be considered as a collection of infinite many infinitesimal particles with no gap b/w them.

So consider the mass of the infinitesimal i th particle $\Delta m_i = \rho(r_i) \Delta V_i$, where

ΔV_i is volume of ~~the~~ and $\rho(r)$ is the density of the i th particle, we have from (1)

$$I_{xx} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i^2 + z_i^2) \Delta m_i$$
$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum (y_i^2 + z_i^2) \rho(r_i) \Delta V_i$$

$$= \int_V \rho(r) (y^2 + z^2) dV$$

Similarly $I_{yy} = \int_V \rho(r) (z^2 + x^2) dV$

$$I_{zz} = \int_V \rho(r) (x^2 + y^2) dV$$

and the corresponding products of inertia are

$$I_{xy} = - \int_V \rho(r) xy dV$$

$$I_{yz} = - \int_V \rho(r) yz dV$$

and $I_{zx} = - \int_V \rho(r) zx dV$

~~Next step is to find the moment of inertia about an arbitrary axis~~