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## 16.07 Dynamics

### Problem Set 10

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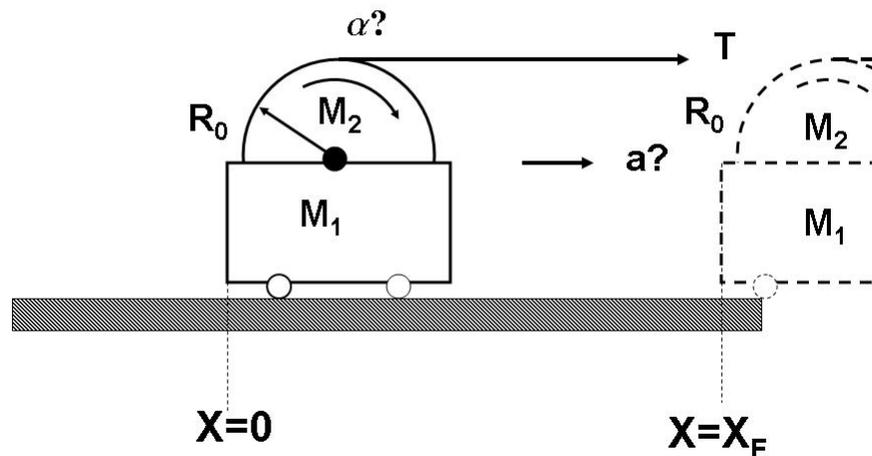
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**Problem 1** (10 points)

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**Question 1**

A cart of mass  $M_1$  rolls on bearings on a frictionless plane. It carries a large disk of radius  $R_0$  mounted by an axle to the cart at its center of mass. The disk is uniform and of mass  $M_2$ . It is free to rotate without friction about its axle. A rope is wrapped around the disk as sketched. Everything is at rest. At  $t = 0$  a constant tension  $T$  is applied to the rope.

- What is the linear acceleration of the cart,  $a$ ?
  - What is the angular acceleration of the disk  $\alpha$ ?
  - The rope with constant tension  $T$  pulls the cart for a distance of  $X_F$  meters. How much work is done by the external force  $T$ ?
  - Assuming a conservative system (no friction etc.) what is the kinetic energy when the cart is located at  $X_F$ ?
  - Does this all make sense?
- (Note: the radius of gyration of a uniform circular disk is  $R_0/\sqrt{2}$ )

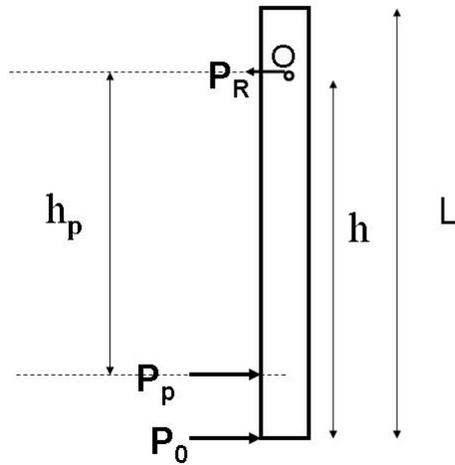
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**Problem 2** (10 Points)

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A uniform bar of length  $L$  and mass  $m$  is lying on a frictionless horizontal surface. It is pinned at a pivot-point  $O$  a distance  $h$  from its end. An impulse  $P_0$  is applied to its end. There is a reaction impulse  $P_R$  exerted on the bar by the pivot.

- a) What is the velocity of the center of mass  $v_G$  in terms of the impulses  $P_0$  and  $P_R$ .
- b) What is the angular velocity  $\dot{\theta}$  in terms of  $v_G$ ?
- c) What is the moment of inertia of the bar about the pivot point  $O$ ,  $I_O$ ?
- d) What is the angular velocity of the bar,  $\dot{\theta}$ , in term of the impulses  $P_0$  and  $P_R$ .
- e) How would you solve for the reaction impulse  $P_R$  in the pivot?
- f) Now consider a slightly different problem. Is there a point  $h_P$  on the bar (see sketch) at which an impulse  $P_P$  could act without creating a reaction impulse  $P_R$ ?  
(Note: the radius of gyration of a uniform bar about its center of mass is  $k_G = L/\sqrt{12}$ . The parallel axis theorem states that the moment of inertia about any point a distance  $r_0$  from the center of mass  $G$  is  $I_{r_0} = I_G + mr_0^2$ .)



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**Problem 3**(10 points)

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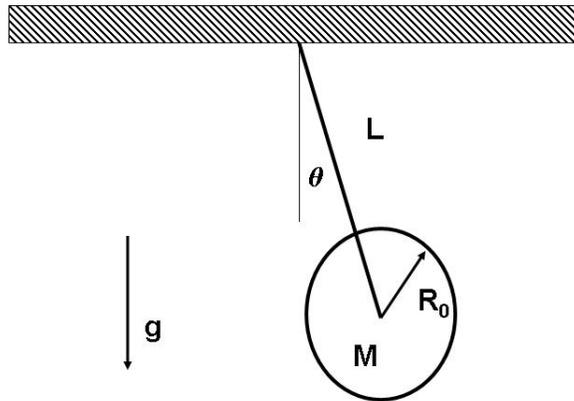
A uniform circular disk of radius  $R_0$  and mass  $M$  is suspended from a pivot by a massless rod of length  $L$  between the pivot and the center of the disk to which it is rigidly fixed/attached. The disk is displaced through an angle  $\theta_0$  as shown and then released at  $t = 0$ . Consider small angles in your discussion.

Note: the radius of gyration of a uniform circular disk is  $R_0 \sqrt{2}$ .

- What is the resulting motion for  $t > 0$ ?
- What is the governing differential equation for  $\theta$ ?
- What are the boundary conditions to be applied to this differential equation?
- What is the solution to the differential equation?

Now consider the problem using energy. Use second-order small-angle approximations to express your results to  $O(\theta^2)$ .

- What is the maximum potential energy for an angular displacement  $\theta_0$ ?
- What is the maximum kinetic energy? Where in the motion does that occur?
- What is the frequency of oscillation?
- Does this agree with the frequency found in part d)?

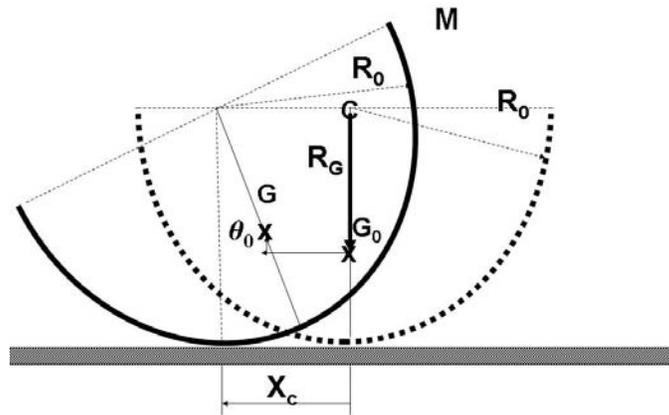


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**Problem 4**(10 points)

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A thin 2D semi-circular arc of mass  $M$  and radius  $R_0$  rests on a flat plane. It is displaced through an angle  $\theta_0$  and held at rest. It maintains rolling contact with the plane. (i.e. it rolls without slipping.). The location of the center of mass for the arc is  $R_G = 2R_0/\pi$ .



- What is the moment of inertia of the semicircular arc about its center,  $I_C$ ?
- Using the parallel axis theorem, find the moment of inertia about the center of mass,  $I_G$ .
- What is the displacement of the point of contact,  $X_C$ ?  
As it rolls, the center of mass displaces in both the horizontal and vertical directions.
- What is the vertical displacement of the center of mass,  $y_{CM}$ ?
- What is the horizontal displacement of the center of mass  $x_{CM}$ ?
- What is the potential energy in the displaced  $\theta = \theta_0$  position with the arc at rest?  
Now the arc is released and returns to and past  $\theta = 0$  in an oscillatory motion.
- What is the total kinetic energy in both translation and rotation as the arc passes through  $\theta = 0$ . Remember that the center of mass will take up a position exactly on the alternate side at the completion of that phase of the motion, so it needs to move. This has implications for total kinetic energy.
- Equating the maximum potential energy to the maximum kinetic energy, what is the natural frequency of oscillation of the arc?

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