

Chapter 10

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Rotation Of A Rigid Object About A Fixed Axis

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Rolling Objects

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Rolling Object

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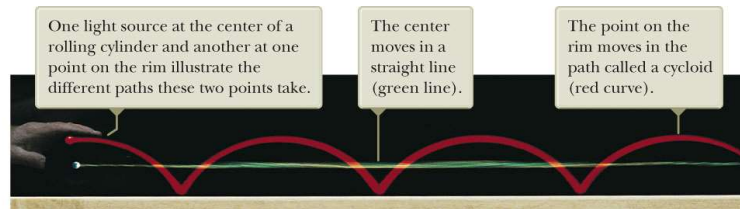
The red curve shows the path moved by a point on the rim of the object.

This path is called a cycloid.

The green line shows the path of the center of mass of the object.

In pure rolling motion, an object rolls without slipping.

In such a case, there is a simple relationship between its rotational and translational motions.



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Pure Rolling Motion, Object's Center of Mass

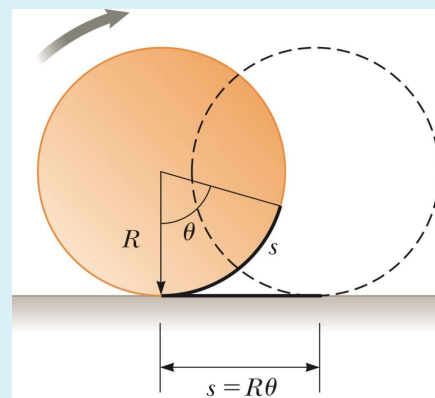
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The translational speed of the center of mass is

$$v_{com} = \frac{ds}{dt} = R \frac{d\theta}{dt} = R\omega$$

The linear acceleration of the center of mass is

$$a_{com} = \frac{dv_{com}}{dt} = R \frac{d\omega}{dt} = R\alpha$$



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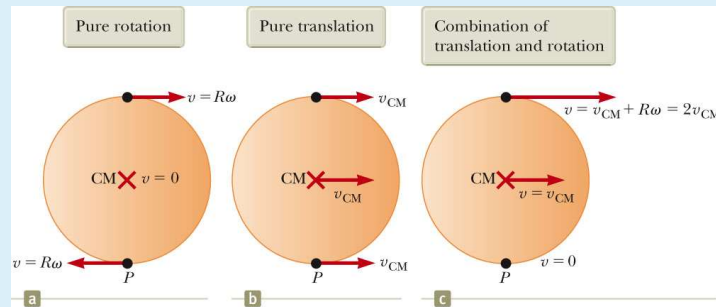
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Rolling Motion Cont.

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- Rolling motion can be modeled as a combination of pure translational motion and pure rotational motion.
- The contact point between the surface and the cylinder has a translational speed of zero (c).



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Total Kinetic Energy of a Rolling Object

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The total kinetic energy of a rolling object is the sum of the translational energy of its center of mass and the rotational kinetic energy about its center of mass.

$$K = \frac{1}{2}I_{com}\omega^2 + \frac{1}{2}Mv_{com}^2$$

- The $\frac{1}{2}I_{com}\omega^2$ represents the rotational kinetic energy of the cylinder about its center of mass.
- The $\frac{1}{2}Mv_{com}^2$ represents the translational kinetic energy of the cylinder about its center of mass.

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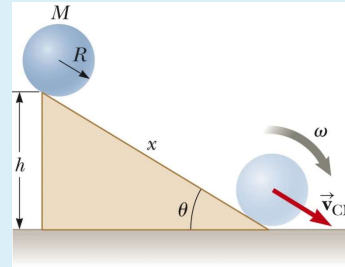
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Total Kinetic Energy, Example

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Accelerated rolling motion is possible only if friction is present between the sphere and the incline.

- The friction produces the net torque required for rotation.
- No loss of mechanical energy occurs because the contact point is at rest relative to the surface at any instant.
- In reality, rolling friction causes mechanical energy to transform to internal energy.
- ✖ Rolling friction is due to deformations of the surface and the rolling object.



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Total Kinetic Energy, Example cont.

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Apply Conservation of Mechanical Energy:

- Let $U = U_f = 0$ at the bottom of the plane

$$K_f + U_f = K_i + U_i$$

$$K_f = \frac{1}{2} \frac{I_{com}}{R^2} v_{com}^2 + \frac{1}{2} M v_{com}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{I_{com}}{R^2} + M \right) v_{com}^2$$

$$U_i = Mgh$$

$$U_f = K_i = 0$$

Solving for v

$$v_{com} = \sqrt{\frac{2gh}{1 + \frac{I_{com}}{MR^2}}}$$

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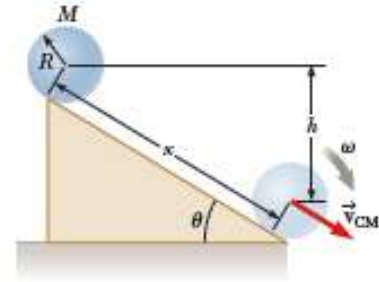
Sphere Rolling Down an Incline

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For the solid sphere shown:

- calculate the translational speed of the center of mass at the bottom of the incline, and
- the magnitude of the translational acceleration of the center of mass.



$$K = \frac{1}{2} I_{\text{CM}} \omega^2 + \frac{1}{2} M v_{\text{CM}}^2$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} I_{\text{CM}} \left(\frac{v_{\text{CM}}}{R} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} M v_{\text{CM}}^2$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{I_{\text{CM}}}{R^2} + M \right) v_{\text{CM}}^2$$

$$\Delta K + \Delta U = 0$$

$$\left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{I_{\text{CM}}}{R^2} + M \right) v_{\text{CM}}^2 - 0 \right] + (0 - Mgh) = 0$$

$$v_{\text{CM}} = \left[\frac{2gh}{1 + (I_{\text{CM}} / MR^2)} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$v_{\text{CM}} = \left[\frac{2gh}{1 + (\frac{2}{5} MR^2 / MR^2)} \right]^{1/2} = \left(\frac{10}{7} gh \right)^{1/2}$$

$$h = x \sin \theta.$$

$$v_{\text{CM}}^2 = \frac{10}{7} gx \sin \theta$$

$$v_{\text{CM}}^2 = 2 a_{\text{CM}} x$$

$$a_{\text{CM}} = \frac{5}{7} g \sin \theta$$

A disk rolls horizontally

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A disk of mass $M = 1.5 \text{ kg}$ and radius $R = 8 \text{ cm}$ rolls horizontally without sliding with a center-of-mass speed $v_{com} = 4 \text{ m/s}$.

- What is the angular speed of the disk?
- What is the kinetic energy of the rolling disk?

Solution: (a) Using Eq. 8.42, we have:

$$\omega = \frac{v_{CM}}{R} = \frac{4 \text{ m/s}}{8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}} = 50 \text{ rad/s} \simeq 8 \text{ rev/s}$$

(b) The rolling kinetic energy of the disk is:

$$\begin{aligned} K_{\text{Roll}} &= K_R + K = \frac{1}{2} I_{CM} \omega^2 + \frac{1}{2} M v_{CM}^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} M R^2 \right) \omega^2 + \frac{1}{2} M v_{CM}^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (1.5 \text{ kg}) \times (0.08 \text{ m})^2 (50 \text{ rad/s})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (1.5 \text{ kg}) (4 \text{ m/s})^2 = 18 \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

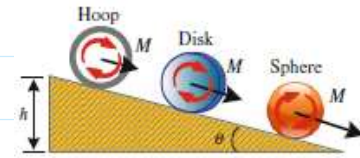
A solid sphere, a disk and a thin hoop

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Three objects (a solid sphere, a disk, and a thin hoop) each having a mass M are at rest at the same height h . At the exact same instant, these objects start to roll without sliding down the incline. In what order do they arrive at the bottom?



Solution: For the given list of objects, we set $I_{CM} = \beta M R^2$, where $\beta = 0.4$ for the sphere, $\beta = 0.5$ for the disk, and $\beta = 1$ for the thin hoop. Therefore, using $K_{Roll} = \frac{1}{2} I_{CM} \omega^2 = M g h$ and $v_{CM} = R\omega$, the speed of the center of mass of any one of these objects at the bottom of the incline will be:

$$v_{CM} = \sqrt{\frac{2gh}{\beta + 1}}, \quad \beta = \begin{cases} 0.4 & \text{(for a sphere)} \\ 0.5 & \text{(for a disk)} \\ 1 & \text{(for a hoop)} \end{cases}$$

Note that v_{CM} does not depend on the object's mass M or radius R , but only depends on the shape (through the parameter β) and the height h . Moreover, according to the value of β , the sphere will attain the largest value of v_{CM} , followed by the disk, and finally the hoop will attain lowest value of v_{CM} , see Fig. 8.28.

In all cases, the acceleration of the center of mass is given by:

$$a_{CM} = \frac{g \sin \theta}{(1 + \beta)}$$

This is less than $g \sin \theta$ for the case of a box that slides down a frictionless incline of the same angle.