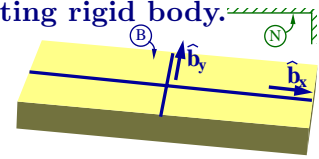


**15.6 Calculate: Angular momentum and kinetic energy of a 3D rotating rigid body.**

Consider a rigid body  $B$  rotating in a Newtonian reference frame  $N$ . Right-handed orthogonal unit vectors  $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_x, \hat{\mathbf{b}}_y, \hat{\mathbf{b}}_z$  are fixed in  $B$  and parallel to  $B$ 's principal inertia axes about  $B_{cm}$  ( $B$ 's center of mass).



Quantity	Symbol	Type
$B$ 's moment of inertia about $B_{cm}$ for $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_x$	$I_{xx}$	Constant
$B$ 's moment of inertia about $B_{cm}$ for $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_y$	$I_{yy}$	Constant
$B$ 's moment of inertia about $B_{cm}$ for $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_z$	$I_{zz}$	Constant
$\hat{\mathbf{b}}_x, \hat{\mathbf{b}}_y, \hat{\mathbf{b}}_z$ measures of ${}^N\vec{\omega}^B$	$\omega_x, \omega_y, \omega_z$	Variables

$${}^N\vec{\omega}^B = \omega_x \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x + \omega_y \hat{\mathbf{b}}_y + \omega_z \hat{\mathbf{b}}_z$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{I}}^{B/B_{cm}} = I_{xx} \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x + I_{yy} \hat{\mathbf{b}}_y \hat{\mathbf{b}}_y + I_{zz} \hat{\mathbf{b}}_z \hat{\mathbf{b}}_z$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{xyz}$$

Calculate  $B$ 's angular momentum about  $B_{cm}$  in  $N$  and  $B$ 's rotational kinetic energy in  $N$ .

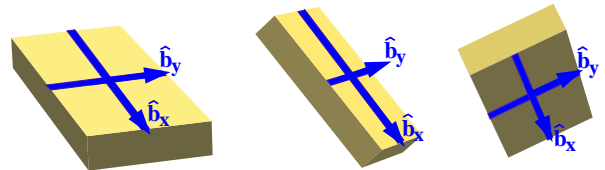
**Result:**  ${}^N\vec{\mathbf{H}}^{B/B_{cm}} = I_{xx} \omega_x \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x + I_{yy} \omega_y \hat{\mathbf{b}}_y + \text{[yellow box]} \hat{\mathbf{b}}_z$       ${}^N K_{\text{rotation}}^B = \frac{1}{2} (I_{xx} \omega_x^2 + I_{yy} \omega_y^2 + \text{[yellow box]})$  (17.1) (17.10)

**15.7 3D spinning rigid body: Guess and check conservation of energy/angular momentum.**

This problem refers to Homeworks 6.26 and 15.6.

$$\vec{\mathbf{M}}^{\vec{0}} = \frac{N d \vec{\mathbf{H}}}{dt} \quad (22.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\omega}_x &= [(I_{yy} - I_{zz}) \omega_z \omega_y] / I_{xx} \\ \dot{\omega}_y &= [(I_{zz} - I_{xx}) \omega_x \omega_z] / I_{yy} \\ \dot{\omega}_z &= [(I_{xx} - I_{yy}) \omega_y \omega_x] / I_{zz} \end{aligned}$$



- Using your intuition and/or **conservation of angular momentum/mechanical energy** (Sections 22.7 and 25.2), circle the quantities below that you **guess** remain constant (are “conserved”).
- Next, solve the ODEs in Hw 6.26 for  $0 \leq t \leq 4$  with initial values  $\omega_x = 7, \omega_y = 0.2, \omega_z = 0.2$  (use MotionGenesis, MATLAB®, or ...). Output  $t, \omega_x, \omega_y, \omega_z, H_x, H_y, H_z, H_{mag} \triangleq |\vec{\mathbf{H}}|$ , and  $K$ .
- Circle the quantities that remain constant (are “**conserved**”) while solving the ODEs.

$\omega_x$	$\omega_y$	$\omega_z$	$K$
$H_x = \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x$	$H_y = \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}}_y$	$H_z = \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}}_z$	$ \vec{\mathbf{H}} $

Hint: To determine if a quantity such as  $\omega_x$  is constant during numerical integration, look at the numerical values of  $\omega_x$  or **zoom** into the plot of  $\omega_x$  vs.  $t$  and check if  $\omega_x$  is constant to within a reasonable multiplier (e.g., 10) of numerical integrator accuracy. In MotionGenesis and MATLAB®, the default numerical integrator accuracy is  $\approx 1 \times 10^{-6}$ .

Solution at [www.MotionGenesis.com](http://www.MotionGenesis.com)  $\Rightarrow$  [Get Started](#)  $\Rightarrow$  [Solving 1<sup>st</sup>-order ODEs](#).

Add the line: `Hx = Ixx*wx; Hy = Iyy*wy; Hz = Izz*wz; Hmag = sqrt(Hx^2 + Hy^2 + Hz^2), etc.`

Add the line: `Output t sec, Hx kg*m^2/sec, Hy kg*m^2/sec, Hz kg*m^2/sec, Hmag kg*m^2/sec, etc.`

**View**/plot the numerical results (numbers) and determine if they stay constant to within  $\approx 1 \times 10^{-5}$ .

**Optional:** Simulate delayed 3D spin instability for wingnut or T-handle with:  $I_{xx} < I_{yy} < I_{zz}$ , spin is initially mostly about  $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_y$  (intermediate moment-of-inertia axis), and  $(I_{yy} - I_{xx})(I_{zz} - I_{yy})$  is small, e.g., by using  $\omega_x(0) = 0.2 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{sec}}, \omega_y(0) = 7.0 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{sec}}, \omega_z(0) = 0.2 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{sec}}, I_{xx} = 1.9 \text{ kg m}^2, I_{yy} = 2.0 \text{ kg m}^2, I_{zz} = 3.0 \text{ kg m}^2$ ,

Video and Dzhanibekov analysis at [www.MotionGenesis.com](http://www.MotionGenesis.com)  $\Rightarrow$  [Get Started](#)  $\Rightarrow$  [Spin stability](#)

To analytically determine if  $H_x$  is constant, time-differentiate  $H_x$  and check if the resulting expression is 0. Since  $H_x = I_{xx} \omega_x$  and  $I_{xx}$  is constant,  $\omega_x$  is constant if-and-only-if  $H_x$  is constant.

- Using this analytical test and a similar test for  $\frac{d(\vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{H}})}{dt}$ , circle the quantities below that remain constant (are **conserved**).

$\omega_x$	$\omega_y$	$\omega_z$	
$H_x = \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x$	$H_y = \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}}_y$	$H_z = \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}}_z$	$ \vec{\mathbf{H}} $
$H_1 = \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}_x$	$H_2 = \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}_y$	$H_3 = \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}_z$	

where  $\hat{\mathbf{n}}_x, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_y, \hat{\mathbf{n}}_z$  are unit vectors fixed in the Newtonian frame  $N$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dH_x}{dt} &= \frac{d(\vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x)}{dt} \\ &= \frac{N d \vec{\mathbf{H}}}{dt} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x + \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \frac{N d \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x}{dt} \\ &= \vec{\mathbf{M}}^{\vec{0}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x + \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \frac{N d \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x}{dt} \\ &= \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot {}^N\vec{\omega}^B \times \hat{\mathbf{b}}_x \\ &= \vec{\mathbf{H}} \cdot (\omega_z \hat{\mathbf{b}}_y - \omega_y \hat{\mathbf{b}}_z) \\ &= (I_{yy} - I_{zz}) \omega_y \omega_z \neq 0 \text{ since } I_{yy} \neq I_{zz} \text{ and } \omega_y(0) \neq 0 \text{ and } \omega_z(0) \neq 0 \\ &\text{[or more generally } \omega_y(t) \neq 0 \text{ and } \omega_z(t) \neq 0]. \end{aligned}$$