

A point of rigid body is pivoted in way that the body can rotate freely about a horizontal axis passing thorough the point of suspension. Show that the frequency of small oscillations is given by

$$\omega^2 = \frac{Mgh}{Mh^2 + I_1n_1^2 + I_2n_2^2 + I_3n_3^2}$$

where I_1, I_2, I_3 are principal moments of inertia about the centre of mass and h is distance of centre of mass from the point of suspension.

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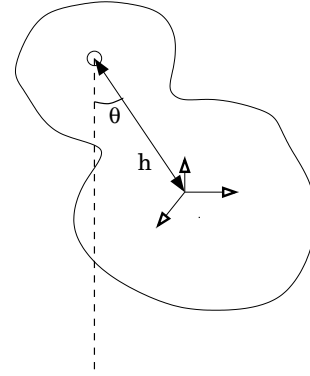


Fig. 1

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