

Problem 6.

"Find the kinetic energy of a homogeneous cylinder..."



Let  $M$  be the mass of the cylinder. Generally we have

$$T = \frac{1}{2} M v^2 + \frac{1}{2} I \Omega^2.$$

The translational velocity  $v = (R-a) \dot{\phi}$  and no-slipping condition  $\Omega = \frac{v}{a} = \frac{(R-a) \dot{\phi}}{a}$ . The moment of inertia along the cylinder axis is  $I_3 = \int r^2 dm$  where  $dm = \rho dV = \rho r dr d\theta dz$  for cylindrical coordinates.

$$I_3 = \rho \int_0^h dz \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_0^a r^2 dr = \rho \cdot h \cdot 2\pi \cdot \frac{a^4}{4}. \quad \text{Now, note}$$

$$\text{And } \rho = \frac{M}{V} = \frac{M}{\pi a^2 h} \Rightarrow I_3 = \frac{M}{\pi a^2 h} \cdot h \cdot 2\pi \cdot \frac{a^4}{4} = \frac{1}{2} M a^2.$$

$$\text{Hence, } T = \frac{1}{2} M (R-a)^2 \dot{\phi}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} M a^2 \cdot \left( \frac{(R-a) \dot{\phi}}{a} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{3}{4} M (R-a)^2 \dot{\phi}^2$$