

The corresponding momenta P_ψ , P_ϕ and total energy (E) are constant in time.

$$\text{i.e. } P_\psi = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\psi}} = I_3 (\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos \theta) = I_3 \omega_{z'} = I_a \\ = I_a$$

where (a) is constant.

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$$\& \quad P_\phi = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = I_a \dot{\phi} \sin^2 \theta + I_3 \cos \theta (\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos \theta) \\ = I_a b \quad —③$$

where b is also constant.

and total energy = $T + V$

$$= \frac{I_a}{2} (\dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{\phi}^2 \sin^2 \theta) + \frac{I_3}{2} \omega_{z'}^2 + mgl \cos \theta$$

$$= E \quad —④$$

From eqⁿ(3),

$$I_a \dot{\phi} \sin^2 \theta + I_3 \cos^2 \theta \dot{\phi} + I_3 \dot{\psi} \cos \theta = I_a b$$

Using value of $I_3 \dot{\psi}$ from eqⁿ(2) in above eqⁿ:

$$I_3 \dot{\psi} = I_a - I_3 \dot{\phi} \cos \theta \quad —④a$$

$$I_1 \dot{\phi} \sin^2 \theta + I_3 \cos^2 \theta \dot{\phi} + (I_1 a - I_3 \dot{\phi} \cos \theta) \cos \theta = I_1 b$$

or, ~~$I_1 \dot{\phi} \sin^2 \theta + I_3 \cos^2 \theta \dot{\phi} + I_1 a \cos \theta - I_3 \dot{\phi} \cos^2 \theta$~~ = $I_1 b$

or, $\dot{\phi} (I_1 \sin^2 \theta) = I_1 (b - a \cos \theta)$

or, $\dot{\phi} = \frac{I_1 (b - a \cos \theta)}{I_1 \sin^2 \theta}$

or, $\dot{\phi} = \frac{b - a \cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} \quad \text{--- (5)}$

Putting value of $\dot{\phi}$ in eqⁿ (4a).

$$I_3 \dot{\psi} = I_1 a - I_3 \left(\frac{b - a \cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} \right) \cos \theta$$

$$\dot{\psi} = \frac{I_1}{I_3} a - \left(\frac{b - a \cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} \right) \cos \theta \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Total energy of the top is given by,

$$E = T + V$$

$$E = \frac{I_1}{2} (\dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{\phi}^2 \sin^2 \theta) + \frac{I_3}{2} (\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos \theta)^2 + mgl \cos \theta$$

$$\text{or, } E - \frac{I_3}{2} (\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos\theta)^2 = \frac{1}{2} I_1 (\dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{\phi}^2 \sin^2\theta)$$

$$\text{or, } E' = \frac{I_1}{2} (\dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{\phi}^2 \sin^2\theta) + mgl \cos\theta \quad \text{---(7)}$$

$$\text{where, } E' = E - \frac{I_3}{2} (\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos\theta)^2$$

Substituting the value of $\dot{\phi}$, in eqⁿ(7),

$$E' = \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_1 \sin^2\theta \left(\frac{b - a \cos\theta}{\sin^2\theta} \right)^2 + mgl \cos\theta$$

$$E' = \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_1 \frac{(b - a \cos\theta)^2}{\sin^2\theta} + mgl \cos\theta$$

Multiplying both sides by $\frac{2 \sin^2\theta}{I_1}$,

$$\frac{2E' \sin^2\theta}{I_1} = \sin^2\theta \dot{\theta}^2 + (b - a \cos\theta)^2 + \frac{2mgl}{I_1} \sin^2\theta \cos\theta$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{2E'}{I_1} = \alpha \quad \& \quad \beta = \frac{2mgl}{I_1}$$

$$\text{or, } \alpha \sin^2\theta = \sin^2\theta \dot{\theta}^2 + (b - a \cos\theta)^2 + \beta \sin^2\theta \cos\theta$$

$$\text{Let, } u = \cos\theta \quad ; \quad \dot{u} = -\sin\theta \dot{\theta}$$

$$\text{or, } \alpha(1-u^2) = \dot{u}^2 + (b-\alpha u)^2 + \beta(1-u^2) \quad \dots \quad (1)$$

$$\text{or, } \ddot{u}^2 = (\alpha - \beta u)(1-u^2) - (b-\alpha u)^2$$

$$\text{or, } \dot{u} = \sqrt{[(\alpha - \beta u)(1-u^2) - (b-\alpha u)^2]}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{du}{dt} = \sqrt{[(\alpha - \beta u)(1-u^2) - (b-\alpha u)^2]}$$

$$\text{or, } dt = \frac{du}{\sqrt{(\alpha - \beta u)(1-u^2) - (b-\alpha u)^2}}$$

$$\text{or, } \int_0^t dt = t = \int_{u(0)}^{u(t)} \frac{du}{\sqrt{(\alpha - \beta u)(1-u^2) - (b-\alpha u)^2}}$$

where, $u=u(0)$ at $t=0$ & $u=u(t)$ at $t=t$.

This expression gives relation between θ & t . This is the integral equation of motion of symmetrical top. Knowing the relation $\theta = \theta(t)$, the equation $\psi = \psi(t)$ and $\phi = \phi(t)$ can be easily solved.

Angular velocity in terms of Euler's Angles

We have,

$$A = B C D$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\psi & \sin\psi & 0 \\ -\sin\psi & \cos\psi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ 0 & -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos\phi & \sin\phi & 0 \\ -\sin\phi & \cos\phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\psi \cos\phi - \cos\theta \sin\phi \sin\psi & \cos\psi \sin\phi + \cos\theta \cos\phi \sin\psi \\ -\sin\psi \cos\phi - \cos\theta \sin\phi \cos\psi & -\sin\psi \sin\phi + \cos\theta \cos\phi \cos\psi \\ \sin\theta \sin\phi & -\sin\theta \cos\phi \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sin\psi \sin\theta \\ \cos\psi \sin\theta \\ \cos\theta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (\omega_\phi)_{x'} \\ (\omega_\phi)_{y'} \\ (\omega_\phi)_{z'} \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \dot{\phi} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (\omega_\phi)_{x'} = \dot{\phi} \sin\theta \sin\psi \\ (\omega_\phi)_{y'} = \dot{\phi} \sin\theta \cos\psi \\ (\omega_\phi)_{z'} = \dot{\phi} \cos\theta \end{array} \right\} - \textcircled{1}$$

Again,

$$\begin{bmatrix} (\omega_\theta)_{x'} \\ (\omega_\theta)_{y'} \\ (\omega_\theta)_{z'} \end{bmatrix} = B \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (\omega_\theta)_{x'} = \dot{\theta} \cos\psi \\ (\omega_\theta)_{y'} = -\dot{\theta} \sin\psi \\ (\omega_\theta)_{z'} = 0 \end{array} \right\} - \textcircled{2}$$

Finally,

$$\begin{bmatrix} (\omega_\psi)_{x'} \\ (\omega_\psi)_{y'} \\ (\omega_\psi)_{z'} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \dot{\psi} \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} (\omega_\psi)_{x'} = 0 \\ (\omega_\psi)_{y'} = 0 \\ (\omega_\psi)_{z'} = \dot{\psi} \end{array} \right\} - (3)$$

Now,

$$\omega_{x'} = (\omega_\phi)_{x'} + (\omega_\theta)_{x'} + (\omega_\psi)_{x'}$$

$$\omega_{x'} = \dot{\phi} \sin\theta \sin\psi + \dot{\theta} \cos\psi$$

$$\omega_{y'} = \dot{\phi} \sin\theta \cos\psi - \dot{\theta} \sin\psi$$

$$\omega_{z'} = \dot{\phi} \cos\theta + \dot{\psi}$$