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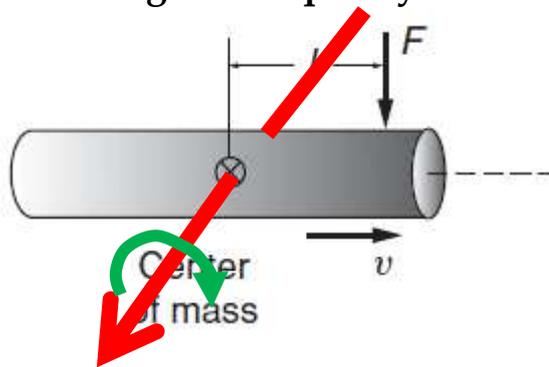
Tutorial 6

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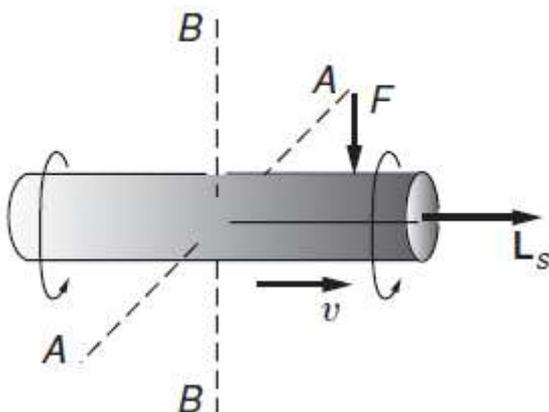
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1 The Earth's axis of rotation precesses about the perpendicular to its orbital plane with a period of 25810 yr. Calculate the torque on the Earth that is causing this precession.

2 Consider a cylinder moving parallel to its axis with velocity  $v$  in free space. A perturbing force  $F$  acts on the cylinder for time  $\Delta t$ . Find the angular frequency of rotation



a) Consider a cylinder spinning rapidly with angular momentum  $L_s$  moving parallel to its axis with velocity  $v$  in free space. A perturbing force  $F$  acts on the cylinder for time  $\Delta t$ . Find the angle through which the cylinder precesses.



3

Analyze stability of symmetric top having diagonal elements of the moment of inertia tensor  $I_1=I_2=I$ , and  $I_3$ , using Euler equation.

