## Rotational Kinematics Concept Questions

**Question 1** The figure shows a graph of  $\omega_z$  and  $\alpha_z$  versus time for a particular rotating body.



During which time intervals is the rotation slowing down?

- 1. 0 < t < 2 s
- 2. 2 s < t < 4 s
- 3. 4 s < t < 6 s
- 4. None of the intervals.
- 5. Two of the intervals.
- 6. Three of the intervals.

## **Question** 2

Object A sits at the outer edge (rim) of a merry-go-round, and object B sits halfway between the rim and the axis of rotation. The merry-go-round makes a complete revolution once every thirty seconds. The magnitude of the angular velocity of Object B is



- 1. half the angular speed of Object A.
- 2. the same as the angular speed of Object A.
- 3. twice the angular speed of Object A.
- 4. impossible to determine

Question 3 Which has the smallest I about its center?



- 1. Ring (mass m, radius R)
- 2. Disc (mass m, radius R)
- 3. Sphere (mass m, radius R)
- 4. All have the same I.

**Question 4** Which gives the largest I for the disc?



4) All have the same I.

**Question 5 Rotational Kinetic Energy** A disk with mass *m* and radius *R* is spinning with angular speed  $\omega$  about an axis that passes through the rim of the disk perpendicular to its plane. The moment of inertia about cm is  $I_{cm} = (1/2)mR^2$ . Its total kinetic energy is:

- 1.  $(1/4)mR^2\omega^2$
- 2.  $(1/2)mR^2\omega^2$
- 3.  $(3/4)mR^2\omega^2$
- 4.  $(1/4)mR\omega^2$
- 5.  $(1/2)mR\omega^2$
- 6.  $(1/4)mR\omega$

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