April 11, Week 12

Today: Chapter 9, Rotational Energy

Homework #9 - Due April 16 at 11:59pm Mastering Physics: 7 questions from chapter 9. Written Question: 10.80

Test Scores:

С	Clicker Score	Since last Friday with	
		5 lowest scores dropped.	
HW	Homework Average	Mastering Physics and	
		written problems.	
CA	Current Average	pprox Your score going into	
		the final if you don't take test #5.	

Exam corrections due by start of class on Friday.

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For rotation about an axis that is parallel to the axis going through the center of an object, the moments of inertia are simply related.



Parralel-Axis Theorem:

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Example: Two cylinders are started from rest on an almost frictionless incline with their center of masses 1 m above their ground height. The two cylinders have the same mass and radius, but one is hollow while the other is solid. Assuming there is just enough friction to cause the cylinders to roll without slipping, how fast is each going at the bottom of the incline?