8. (b)

An annulus is created when a central hole of radius b is removed from a uniform circular disc of radius a.

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The mass of the annulus (shaded area) is M.

- (i) Show that the moment of inertia of the annulus about an axis through its centre and perpendicular to its plane is $\frac{M(a^2 + b^2)}{2}$.
- (ii) The annulus rolls, from rest, down an incline of 30°. Find its angular velocity, in terms of g, a and b, when it has rolled a distance $\frac{a}{2}$.

(i) moment of inertia of annulus =
$$2\pi M_1 \int_a^a x^3 dx$$

$$= 2\pi M_1 \left[\frac{x^4}{4} \right]_b^a$$

$$= 2\pi \frac{M}{\pi (a^2 - b^2)} \frac{(a^4 - b^4)}{4}$$

$$= \frac{M(a^2 + b^2)}{2}$$
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(ii) Gain in KE = Loss in PE
$$\frac{1}{2}I\omega^2 + \frac{1}{2}Mv^2 = Mgh$$

$$\frac{1}{2}I\omega^2 + \frac{1}{2}M(a\omega)^2 = Mg\left(\frac{a}{2}\sin 30\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\left{\frac{M(a^2 + b^2)}{2}\right}\omega^2 + \frac{1}{2}M(a\omega)^2 = Mg\left(\frac{a}{4}\right)$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{ga}{3a^2 + b^2}}$$

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