14. (a) We choose clockwise as the negative rotational sense and rightwards as the positive translational direction. Thus, since this is the moment when it begins to roll smoothly, Eq. 12-2 becomes

$$v_{\text{com}} = -R\omega = (-0.11\,\text{m})\omega \ .$$

This velocity is positive-valued (rightward) since ω is negative-valued (clockwise) as shown in Fig. 12-34.

(b) The force of friction exerted on the ball of mass m is $-\mu_k mg$ (negative since it points left), and setting this equal to ma_{com} leads to

$$a_{\text{com}} = -\mu g = -(0.21)\left(9.8\,\text{m/s}^2\right) = -2.1\ \text{m/s}^2$$

where the minus sign indicates that the center of mass acceleration points left, opposite to its velocity, so that the ball is decelerating.

(c) Measured about the center of mass, the torque exerted on the ball due to the frictional force is given by $\tau = -\mu mgR$. Using Table 11-2(f) for the rotational inertia, the angular acceleration becomes (using Eq. 11-37)

$$\alpha = \frac{\tau}{I} = \frac{-\mu mgR}{2mR^2/5} = \frac{-5\mu g}{2R} = \frac{-5(0.21)(9.8)}{2(0.11)} = -47\ \text{rad/s}^2$$

where the minus sign indicates that the angular acceleration is clockwise, the same direction as ω (so its angular motion is "speeding up").

(d) The center-of-mass of the sliding ball decelerates from $v_{\text{com},0}$ to v_{com} during time t according to Eq. 2-11:

$$v_{\text{com}} = v_{\text{com},0} - \mu g t \ .$$

During this time, the angular speed of the ball increases (in magnitude) from zero to $|\omega|$ according to Eq. 11-12:

$$|\omega| = |\alpha|\,t = \frac{5\mu g t}{2R} = \frac{v_{\text{com}}}{R}$$

where we have made use of our part (a) result in the last equality. We have two equations involving v_{com}, so we eliminate that variable and find

$$t = \frac{2v_{\text{com},0}}{7\mu g} = \frac{2(8.5)}{7(0.21)(9.8)} = 1.2\ \text{s} \ .$$

(e) The skid length of the ball is (using Eq. 2-15)

$$\Delta x = v_{\text{com},0}t - \frac{1}{2}(\mu g)t^2 = (8.5)(1.2) - \frac{1}{2}(0.21)(9.8)(1.2)^2 = 8.6\ \text{m} \ .$$

(f) The center of mass velocity at the time found in part (d) is

$$v_{\text{com}} = v_{\text{com},0} - \mu g t = 8.5 - (0.21)(9.8)(1.2) = 6.1\ \text{m/s} \ .$$