

Uniform Motion in a Circle

Question Paper 1

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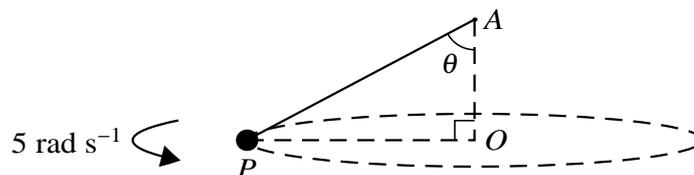
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One end of a light inextensible string is attached to a fixed point A and the other end of the string is attached to a particle P . The particle P moves with constant angular speed 5 rad s^{-1} in a horizontal circle which has its centre O vertically below A . The string makes an angle θ with the vertical (see diagram). The tension in the string is three times the weight of P .

(i) Show that the length of the string is 1.2 m. [3]

(ii) Find the speed of P . [4]

2 A particle P of mass 0.6 kg is on the rough surface of a horizontal disc with centre O . The distance OP is 0.4 m. The disc and P rotate with angular speed 3 rad s^{-1} about a vertical axis which passes through O . Find the magnitude of the frictional force which the disc exerts on the particle, and state the direction of this force. [3]

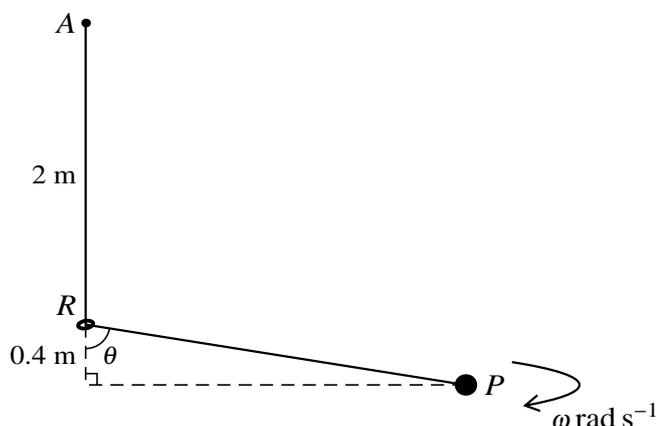
3 One end of a light inextensible string of length 0.5 m is attached to a fixed point A . The other end of the string is attached to a particle P of weight 6 N. Another light inextensible string of length 0.5 m connects P to a fixed point B which is 0.8 m vertically below A . The particle P moves with constant speed in a horizontal circle with centre at the mid-point of AB . Both strings are taut.

(i) Calculate the speed of P when the tension in the string BP is 2 N. [5]

(ii) Show that the angular speed of P must exceed 5 rad s^{-1} . [3]

- 4 A particle P of mass 0.7 kg is attached to one end of a light inextensible string of length 0.5 m . The other end of the string is attached to a fixed point A which is $h \text{ m}$ above a smooth horizontal surface. P moves in contact with the surface with uniform circular motion about the point on the surface which is vertically below A .
- (i) Given that $h = 0.14$, find an inequality for the angular speed of P . [4]
- (ii) Given instead that the magnitude of the force exerted by the surface on P is 1.4 N and that the speed of P is 2.5 m s^{-1} , calculate the tension in the string and the value of h . [7]

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One end of a light elastic string with modulus of elasticity 15 N is attached to a fixed point A which is 2 m vertically above a fixed small smooth ring R . The string has natural length 2 m and it passes through R . The other end of the string is attached to a particle P of mass $m \text{ kg}$ which moves with constant angular speed $\omega \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ in a horizontal circle which has its centre 0.4 m vertically below the ring. PR makes an acute angle θ with the vertical (see diagram).

- (i) Show that the tension in the string is $\frac{3}{\cos \theta} \text{ N}$ and hence find the value of m . [4]
- (ii) Show that the value of ω does not depend on θ . [4]

It is given that for one value of θ the elastic potential energy stored in the string is twice the kinetic energy of P .

- (iii) Find this value of θ . [4]

- 6 A horizontal disc with a rough surface rotates about a fixed vertical axis which passes through the centre of the disc. A particle P of mass 0.2 kg is in contact with the surface and rotates with the disc, without slipping, at a distance 0.5 m from the axis. The greatest speed of P for which this motion is possible is 1.5 m s^{-1} .

(i) Calculate the coefficient of friction between the disc and P . [2]

P is now attached to one end of a light elastic string, which is connected at its other end to a point on the vertical axis above the disc. The tension in the string is equal to half the weight of P . The disc rotates with constant angular speed $\omega \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ and P rotates with the disc without slipping. P moves in a circle of radius 0.5 m , and the taut string makes an angle of 30° with the horizontal.

(ii) Find the greatest and least values of ω for which this motion is possible. [5]

(iii) Calculate the value of ω for which the disc exerts no frictional force on P . [2]