

Hooke's Law

Question Paper 9

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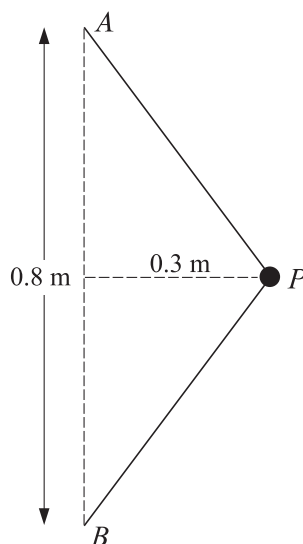
1 One end of a light elastic string of natural length 1.25 m and modulus of elasticity 20 N is attached to a fixed point O . A particle P of mass 0.5 kg is attached to the other end of the string. P is held at rest at O and then released. When the extension of the string is x m the speed of P is v m s⁻¹.

(i) Show that $v^2 = -32x^2 + 20x + 25$. [4]

(ii) Find the maximum speed of P . [3]

(iii) Find the acceleration of P when it is at its lowest point. [4]

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Each of two identical light elastic strings has natural length 0.25 m and modulus of elasticity 4 N. A particle P of mass 0.6 kg is attached to one end of each of the strings. The other ends of the strings are attached to fixed points A and B which are 0.8 m apart on a smooth horizontal table. The particle is held at rest on the table, at a point 0.3 m from AB for which $AP = BP$ (see diagram).

(i) Find the tension in the strings. [2]

(ii) The particle is released. Find its initial acceleration. [3]

3 Each of two light elastic strings, S_1 and S_2 , has modulus of elasticity 16 N. The string S_1 has natural length 0.4 m and the string S_2 has natural length 0.5 m. One end of S_1 is attached to a fixed point A of a smooth horizontal table and the other end is attached to a particle P of mass 0.5 kg. One end of S_2 is attached to a fixed point B of the table and the other end is attached to P . The distance AB is 1.5 m. The particle P is held at A and then released from rest.

(i) Find the speed of P at the instant that S_2 becomes slack. [4]

(ii) Find the greatest distance of P from A in the subsequent motion. [3]

4 One end of a light elastic string, of natural length 0.5 m and modulus of elasticity 140 N, is attached to a fixed point O . A particle of mass 0.8 kg is attached to the other end of the string. The particle is released from rest at O . By considering the energy of the system, find

(i) the speed of the particle when the extension of the string is 0.1 m, [4]

(ii) the extension of the string when the particle is at its lowest point. [4]

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A and B are fixed points on a smooth horizontal table. The distance AB is 2.5 m. An elastic string of natural length 0.6 m and modulus of elasticity 24 N has one end attached to the table at A , and the other end attached to a particle P of mass 0.95 kg. Another elastic string of natural length 0.9 m and modulus of elasticity 18 N has one end attached to the table at B , and the other end attached to P . The particle P is held at rest at the mid-point of AB (see diagram).

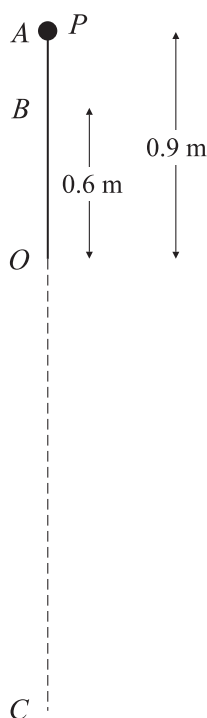
(i) Find the tensions in the strings. [3]

The particle is released from rest.

(ii) Find the acceleration of P immediately after its release. [2]

(iii) P reaches its maximum speed at the point C . Find the distance AC . [4]

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The diagram shows a light elastic string of natural length 0.6 m and modulus of elasticity 5 N with one end attached to a fixed point O . A particle P of mass 0.2 kg is attached to the other end of the string. P is held at the point A , which is 0.9 m vertically above O . The particle is released from rest and travels vertically downwards through O to the point C , where it starts to move upwards. B is the point of the line AC where the string first becomes slack.

- (i) Find the speed of P at B . [4]
- (ii) The extension of the string when P is at C is x m.
 - (a) Show that $x^2 - 0.48x - 0.81 = 0$. [3]
 - (b) Hence find the distance AC . [2]