

2. A ship A is travelling at a constant speed of 30 km h^{-1} on a bearing of 050° . Another ship B is travelling at a constant speed of $v \text{ km h}^{-1}$ and sets a course to intercept A . At 1400 hours B is 20 km from A and the bearing of A from B is 290° .

(a) Find the least possible value of v . **(3)**

Given that $v = 32$,

(b) find the time at which B intercepts A . **(8)**



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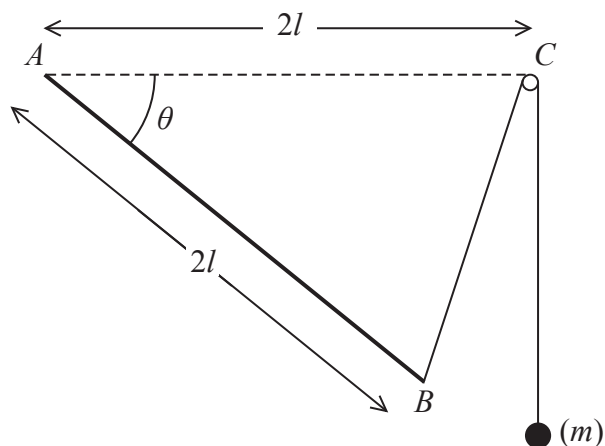


Figure 1

A uniform rod AB , of length $2l$ and mass $12m$, has its end A smoothly hinged to a fixed point. One end of a light inextensible string is attached to the other end B of the rod. The string passes over a small smooth pulley which is fixed at the point C , where AC is horizontal and $AC = 2l$. A particle of mass m is attached to the other end of the string and the particle hangs vertically below C .

The angle BAC is θ , where $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$, as shown in Figure 1.

(a) Show that the potential energy of the system is

$$4mgl \left(\sin \frac{\theta}{2} - 3 \sin \theta \right) + \text{constant} \quad (4)$$

(b) Find the value of θ when the system is in equilibrium and determine the stability of this equilibrium position.

(10)



Question 5 continued

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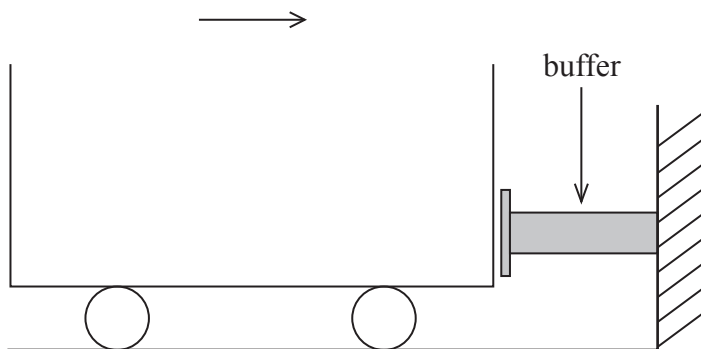


Figure 2

A railway truck of mass M approaches the end of a straight horizontal track and strikes a buffer. The buffer is parallel to the track, as shown in Figure 2. The buffer is modelled as a light horizontal spring PQ , which is fixed at the end P . The spring has a natural length a and modulus of elasticity Mn^2a , where n is a positive constant. At time $t = 0$, the spring has length a and the truck strikes the end Q with speed U . A resistive force whose magnitude is Mkv , where v is the speed of the truck at time t , and k is a positive constant, also opposes the motion of the truck. At time t , the truck is in contact with the buffer and the compression of the buffer is x .

(a) Show that, while the truck is compressing the buffer

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + k \frac{dx}{dt} + n^2x = 0 \tag{4}$$

It is given that $k = \frac{5n}{2}$

(b) Find x in terms of U , n and t . (7)

(c) Find, in terms of U and n , the greatest value of x . (5)



