

1. (25%) Pin  $B$  is attached to the rotating arm  $AC$  and moves at a constant speed  $v_0 = 2.875$  m/s. Knowing that pin  $B$  slides freely in a slot cut in arm  $OD$ , Let the length  $\overline{AB}$  be denoted by  $R$ .

- (a) Show that, when arm  $AC$  rotates, at any instant angle  $\theta$  can be expressed in terms of  $\phi$  as

$$\tan \theta = \frac{R \sin \phi}{0.375 + R \cos \phi} \quad (1)$$

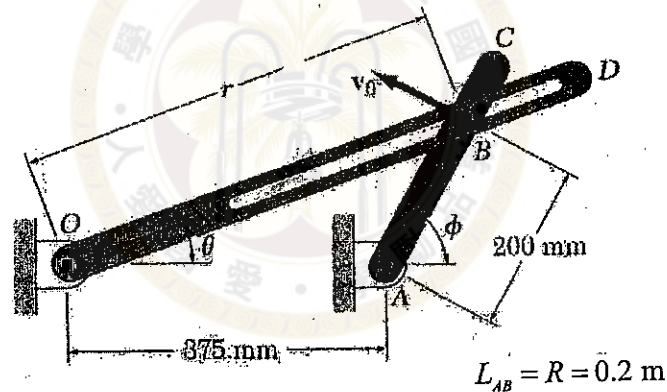
- (b) Show that at any instant the rates  $\dot{r}$  and  $\dot{\theta}$  in terms of  $r$ ,  $\theta$ ,  $\phi$ , and  $\dot{\phi}$  are

$$\dot{r} = R\dot{\phi}(\cos \phi \sin \theta - \sin \phi \cos \theta) = R\dot{\phi} \sin(\theta - \phi), \quad (2)$$

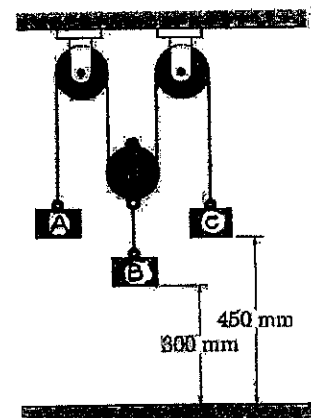
$$\dot{\theta} = \frac{R\dot{\phi}(\cos \phi \cos \theta + \sin \phi \sin \theta)}{r} = \frac{R\dot{\phi} \cos(\theta - \phi)}{r} \quad (3)$$

- (c) Determine the rates  $\dot{r}$  and  $\dot{\theta}$  at the instant where  $\phi = 0$ .

- (d) Determine the rates  $\dot{r}$  and  $\dot{\theta}$  at the instant where  $\phi = 90^\circ$ .



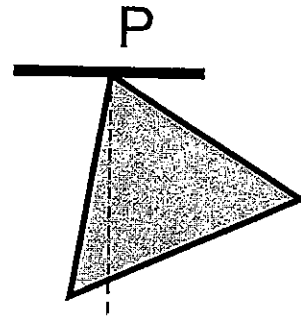
2. (25%) Referring to the following figure and knowing that blocks  $B$  and  $C$  strike the ground simultaneously and exactly 1 s after the system is released from rest. Determine  $m_B$  and  $m_C$  in terms of  $m_A$ .



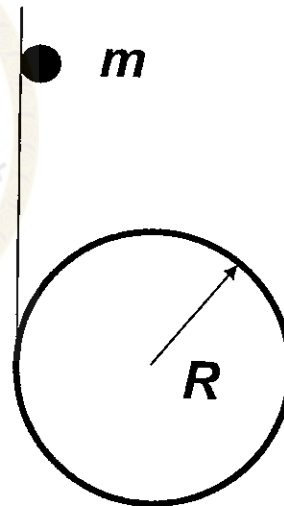
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3. (25%) Shown in the plot is an equilateral triangular plate of lateral length  $L$  with the point  $P$  fixed. The pendulum is allowed to oscillate in the plane depicted under a constant gravitational field  $g$ . The plate is assumed to be homogeneous and the total mass is  $M$ .

- (a) Calculate the principal moment of inertia with respect to  $P$  that is relevant to the oscillation.
- (b) For the case of small oscillation, calculate the oscillation period.



4. (25%) A point mass  $m$  rolls without friction down a ramp and through a vertical circular loop of radius  $R$  in a constant gravitational field  $g$ . If the particle is released from rest, find:
- (a) The minimum release height such that the particle can travel all the way around the loop.
  - (b) The force exerted on the track by the particle when it is at the lowest point of the loop.



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