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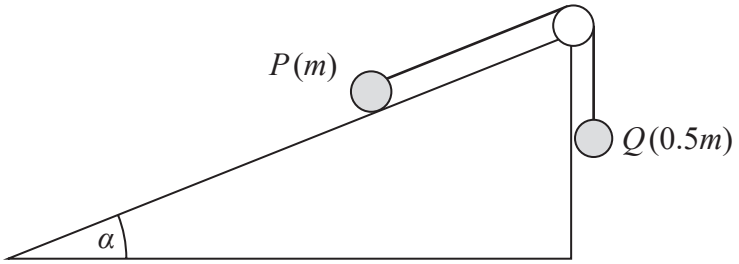

Figure 5

A fixed rough plane is inclined at an angle α to the horizontal, where $\tan\alpha = \frac{5}{12}$

A small smooth pulley is fixed at the top of the plane.

One end of a light inextensible string is attached to a particle P which is at rest on the plane. The string passes over the pulley and the other end of the string is attached to a particle Q which hangs vertically below the pulley, as shown in Figure 5.

Particle P has mass m and particle Q has mass $0.5m$

The string from P to the pulley lies along a line of greatest slope of the plane.

The coefficient of friction between P and the plane is μ.

The system is in **limiting equilibrium** with the string taut and P is on the point of slipping **up** the plane.

(a) Find the value of μ.

(8)

The string breaks and P begins to move down the plane.

When particle P has travelled a distance of 0.8 m down the plane, the speed of P is $V\,\text{m s}^{-1}$

(b) Find the value of V.

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