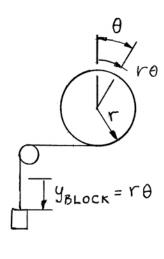


Spring AB of constant 10 lb/in. is attached to two identical drums as shown. Knowing that the spring is unstretched when  $\theta=0$ , determine (a) the range of values of the weight W of the block for which a position of equilibrium exists, (b) the range of values of  $\theta$  for which the equilibrium is stable.

#### **SOLUTION**



Have

$$V = \frac{1}{2}kx_{SP}^2 - W_{y_{\text{block}}}$$

where

$$x_{SP} = 2r_A \sin \theta, \qquad r_A = 6 \text{ in.}$$

and

$$y_{\text{block}} = r\theta, \qquad r = 8 \text{ in.}$$

Then

$$V = \frac{1}{2}k(2r_A\sin\theta)^2 - Wr\theta$$

$$=2kr_A^2\sin^2\theta-Wr\theta$$

and

$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 2kr_A^2 (2\sin\theta\cos\theta) - Wr$$

$$= 2kr_A^2\sin 2\theta - Wr$$

For equilibrium

$$\frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} = 4kr_A^2\cos 2\theta\tag{1}$$

 $\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 0: \quad 2kr_A^2 \sin 2\theta - Wr = 0$ 

Substituting,

$$2(10 \text{ lb/in.})(6 \text{ in.})^2 \sin 2\theta - W(8 \text{ in.}) = 0$$

TA SIN 0 or

$$W = 90\sin 2\theta$$
 (lb)

(a) From Equation (2), with  $W \ge 0$ :

$$0 \le W \le 90 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$$

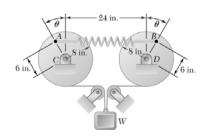
(b) From Stable equilibrium

$$\frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} > 0$$

Then from Equation (1),

$$\cos 2\theta > 0$$

or  $0 \le \theta \le 45^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



Spring AB of constant 10 lb/in. is attached to two identical drums as shown. Knowing that the spring is unstretched when  $\theta=0$  and that W=40 lb, determine the values of  $\theta$  less than  $180^{\circ}$  corresponding to equilibrium. State in each case whether the equilibrium is stable, unstable, or neutral.

#### **SOLUTION**

See sketch, Problem 10.81.

Using Equation (2) of Problem 10.81, with W = 40 lb

 $40 = 90\sin 2\theta$  (for equilibrium)

Solving  $\theta = 13.1939^{\circ}$  and  $\theta = 76.806^{\circ}$ 

Using Equation (1) of Problem 10.81, we have

At  $\theta = 13.1939^{\circ}$ :  $\frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} = 4kr_A^2\cos(2 \times 13.1939^{\circ}) > 0$   $\therefore \theta = 13.19^{\circ}$ , Stable

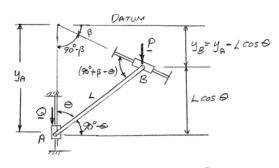
At  $\theta = 76.806^{\circ}$ :  $\frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} = 4kr_A^2 \cos(2 \times 76.806^{\circ}) < 0$   $\therefore \theta = 76.8^{\circ}$ , Unstable

# Q P B

### **PROBLEM 10.83**

A slender rod AB of negligible weight is attached to two collars A and B that can move freely along the guide rods shown. Knowing that  $\beta=30^\circ$  and P=Q=100 lb, determine the value of the angle  $\theta$  corresponding to equilibrium.

#### **SOLUTION**



Law of Sines

$$\frac{y_A}{\sin(90^\circ + \beta - \theta)} = \frac{L}{\sin(90 - \beta)}$$

$$\frac{y_A}{\cos(\theta - \beta)} = \frac{L}{\cos\beta}$$

or

$$y_A = L \frac{\cos(\theta - \beta)}{\cos \beta}$$

From the figure:

$$y_B = L \frac{\cos(\theta - \beta)}{\cos \beta} - L \cos \theta$$

Potential Energy:

$$V = -Py_B - Qy_A = -P \left[ L \frac{\cos(\theta - \beta)}{\cos \beta} - L \cos \theta \right] - QL \frac{\cos(\theta - \beta)}{\cos \beta}$$

$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = -PL \left[ -\frac{\sin(\theta - \beta)}{\cos \beta} + \sin \theta \right] + QL \frac{\sin(\theta - \beta)}{\cos \beta}$$

$$= L(P+Q)\frac{\sin(\theta-\beta)}{\cos\beta} - PL\sin\theta$$

Equilibrium

$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 0: \quad L(P+Q)\frac{\sin(\theta-\beta)}{\cos\beta} - PL\sin\theta = 0$$

or

$$(P+Q)\sin(\theta-\beta) = P\sin\theta\cos\beta$$

$$(P+Q)(\sin\theta\cos\beta - \cos\theta\sin\beta) = P\sin\theta\cos\beta$$

# **PROBLEM 10.83 CONTINUED**

$$-(P+Q)\cos\theta\sin\beta + Q\sin\theta\cos\beta = 0$$

$$-\frac{P+Q}{Q}\frac{\sin\beta}{\cos\beta} + \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = 0$$

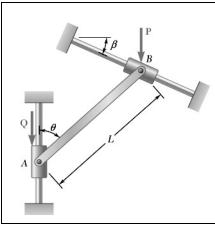
$$\tan\theta = \frac{P+Q}{Q}\tan\beta \tag{2}$$

With

$$P = Q = 100 \text{ lb}, \qquad \beta = 30^{\circ}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{200 \text{ lb}}{100 \text{ lb}} \tan 30^\circ = 1.1547$$

 $\theta = 49.1^{\circ}$ 



A slender rod AB of negligible weight is attached to two collars A and B that can move freely along the guide rods shown. Knowing that  $\beta=30^{\circ}$ , P=40 lb, and Q=10 lb, determine the value of the angle  $\theta$  corresponding to equilibrium.

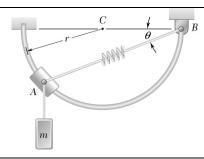
# **SOLUTION**

Using Equation (2) of Problem 10.83, with P = 40 lb, Q = 10 lb, and  $\beta = 30^{\circ}$ , we have

$$\tan \theta = \frac{(40 \text{ lb})(10 \text{ lb})}{(10 \text{ lb})} \tan 30^\circ = 2.88675$$

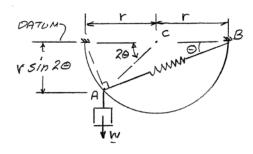
$$\theta = 70.89^{\circ}$$

 $\theta = 70.9^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



Collar A can slide freely on the semicircular rod shown. Knowing that the constant of the spring is k and that the unstretched length of the spring is equal to the radius r, determine the value of  $\theta$  corresponding to equilibrium when  $m=20\,\mathrm{kg},\ r=180\,\mathrm{mm},\ \mathrm{and}\ k=3\,\mathrm{N/mm}.$ 

#### **SOLUTION**



Stretch of Spring

$$s = AB - r$$

$$s = 2(r\cos\theta) - r$$

$$s = r(2\cos\theta - 1)$$

Potential Energy:

$$V = \frac{1}{2}ks^2 - Wr\sin 2\theta \qquad W = mg$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2}kr^2(2\cos\theta - 1)^2 - Wr\sin 2\theta$$

$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = -kr^2(2\cos\theta - 1)2\sin\theta - 2Wr\cos2\theta$$

Equilibrium

$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 0: -kr^2(2\cos\theta - 1)\sin\theta - Wr\cos 2\theta = 0$$

$$\frac{(2\cos\theta - 1)\sin\theta}{\cos 2\theta} = -\frac{W}{kr}$$

Now

$$\frac{W}{kr} = \frac{(20 \text{ kg})(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)}{(3000 \text{ N/m})(0.180 \text{ m})} = 0.36333$$

Then

$$\frac{(2\cos\theta - 1)\sin\theta}{\cos 2\theta} = -0.36333$$

Solving numerically,

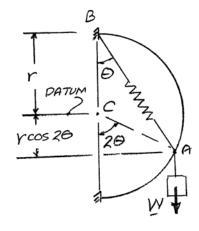
$$\theta = 0.9580 \text{ rad} = 54.9^{\circ}$$

 $\theta = 54.9^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



Collar A can slide freely on the semicircular rod shown. Knowing that the constant of the spring is k and that the unstretched length of the spring is equal to the radius r, determine the value of  $\theta$  corresponding to equilibrium when m = 20 kg, r = 180 mm, and k = 3 N/mm.

#### **SOLUTION**



Stretch of spring

$$s = AB - r = 2(r\cos\theta) - r$$

$$s = r(2\cos\theta - 1)$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2}ks^2 - Wr\cos 2\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}kr^2(2\cos\theta - 1)^2 - Wr\cos 2\theta$$

$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = -kr^2(2\cos\theta - 1)2\sin\theta + 2Wr\sin 2\theta$$

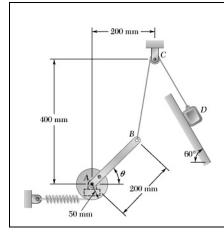
Equilibrium

or

$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 0: -kr^2 (2\cos\theta - 1)\sin\theta + Wr\sin2\theta = 0$$

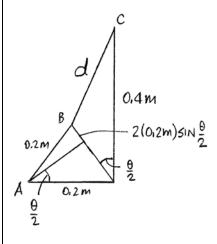
$$-kr^2 (2\cos\theta - 1)\sin\theta + Wr(2\sin\theta\cos\theta) = 0$$
or
$$\frac{(2\cos\theta - 1)\sin\theta}{2\cos\theta} = \frac{W}{kr}$$
Now
$$\frac{W}{kr} = \frac{(20\text{ kg})(9.81\text{ m/s}^2)}{(3000\text{ N/m})(0.180\text{ m})} = 0.36333$$
Then
$$\frac{2\cos\theta - 1}{2\cos\theta} = 0.36333$$

Solving 
$$\theta = 38.2482^{\circ}$$
  $\theta = 38.2^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



The 12-kg block D can slide freely on the inclined surface. Knowing that the constant of the spring is 480 N/m and that the spring is unstretched when  $\theta=0$ , determine the value of  $\theta$  corresponding to equilibrium.

# **SOLUTION**



First note, by Law of Cosines

$$d^{2} = (0.4)^{2} + \left(0.4\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^{2} - 2(0.4)\left(0.4\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\cos\frac{\theta}{2}$$
$$d = 0.4\sqrt{1 + \sin^{2}\frac{\theta}{2} - \sin\theta} \text{ m}$$

Now

$$V = \frac{1}{2}kx_{SP}^{2} - m_{D}gy_{D}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}k(r_{A}\theta)^{2} - m_{D}g[(y_{D})_{0} + (0.4 - d)\sin 60^{\circ}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}kr_{A}^{2}\theta^{2} - m_{D}g[(y_{D})_{0} + (0.4 - 0.4\sqrt{1 + \sin^{2}\frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \theta})\sin 60^{\circ}]$$

For equilibrium

$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 0:$$

$$kr_A^2\theta + 0.4m_Dg\sin 60^\circ \frac{2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\cos\frac{\theta}{2} - \cos\theta\right)}{2\sqrt{1+\sin^2\frac{\theta}{2} - \sin\theta}} = 0$$

or 
$$kr_A^2\theta + 0.1m_Dg\sin 60^\circ \frac{\sin\theta - 2\cos\theta}{\sqrt{1 + \sin^2\frac{\theta}{2} - \sin\theta}} = 0$$

# **PROBLEM 10.87 CONTINUED**

Substituting,

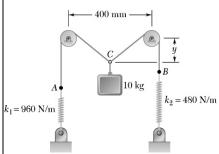
$$(480 \text{ N/m})(0.050 \text{ m})^2 \theta \sqrt{1 + \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \theta}$$

$$+ (0.1 \text{ m})(12 \text{ kg})(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} (\sin \theta - 2\cos \theta) = 0$$
or 
$$\theta \sqrt{1 + \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \theta} + 8.4957 (\sin \theta - 2\cos \theta) = 0$$

Solving numerically,

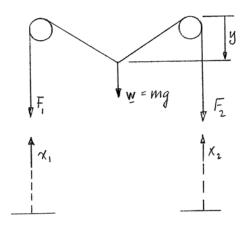
$$\theta = 1.07223 \text{ rad}$$

or  $\theta = 61.4^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



Cable AB is attached to two springs and passes through a ring at C. Knowing that the springs are unstretched when y = 0, determine the distance y corresponding to equilibrium.

# **SOLUTION**



First note that the tension in the cable is the same throughout.

$$\therefore F_1 = F_2$$

or

$$k_1 x_1 = k_2 x_2$$

or

$$x_2 = \frac{k_1}{k_2} x_1$$

 $= \frac{960 \text{ N/m}}{480 \text{ N/m}} x_1$ 

$$= 2x_1$$

Now, point *C* is midway between the pulleys.

$$y^{2} = \left[0.2 + \frac{1}{2}(x_{1} + x_{2})^{2}\right] - (0.2)^{2}$$

$$= 0.2(x_{1} + x_{2}) + \frac{1}{4}(x_{1} + x_{2})^{2}$$

$$= 0.2(x_{1} + 2x_{1}) + \frac{1}{4}(x_{1} + 2x_{1})^{2}$$

$$= 0.6x_{1} + \frac{9}{4}x_{1}^{2}(m^{2})$$

# **PROBLEM 10.88 CONTINUED**

Now

$$V = \frac{1}{2}k_1x_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}k_2x_2^2 - mgy$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}k_1x_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}k_2(2x_1)^2 - mg\left(\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{2.4x_1 + 9x_1^2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(k_1 + 4k_2)x_1^2 - mg\left(\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{2.4x_1 + 9x_1^2}\right)$$

For equilibrium

$$\frac{dV}{dx_1} = 0: \quad \left(k_1 + 4k_2\right)x_1 - mg\left(\frac{2.4 + 18x_1}{2\sqrt{2.4x_1 + 9x_1^2}}\right) = 0$$

or 
$$(980 + 4 \times 490) \text{N/m} \times (x_1) (\text{m}) (\sqrt{2.4x_1 + 9x_1^2}) (\text{m}) - \frac{1}{2} (10 \text{ kg}) (9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) (1.2 + 9x_1) (\text{m}) = 0$$

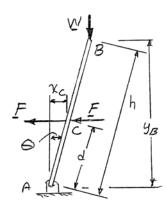
or 
$$288x_1\sqrt{2.4x_1 + 9x_1^2} - 5.886(1 + 7.5x_1) = 0$$

Solving, 
$$x_1 = 0.068151 \,\text{m}$$

Then 
$$y^2 = 0.6(0.068151) + \frac{9}{4}(0.068151)^2$$
 or  $y = 227 \text{ mm}$ 

Rod AB is attached to a hinge at A and to two springs, each of constant k. If h = 50 in., d = 24 in., and W = 160 lb, determine the range of values of k for which the equilibrium of the rod is stable in the position shown. Each spring can act in either tension or compression.

# **SOLUTION**



Have 
$$x_C = d \sin \theta$$
  $y_B = h \cos \theta$ 

Potential Energy: 
$$V = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}kx_C^2 + Wy_B\right)$$

$$= kd^2 \sin^2 \theta + Wh \cos \theta$$

Then 
$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 2kd^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta - Wh \sin \theta$$
$$= kd^2 \sin 2\theta - Wh \sin \theta$$

and 
$$\frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} = 2kd^2\cos 2\theta - Wh\cos\theta \tag{1}$$

For equilibrium position  $\theta = 0$  to be stable, we must have

$$\frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} = 2kd^2 - Wh > 0$$

$$kd^2 > \frac{1}{2}Wh$$
(2)

Ωr

*Note*: For  $kd^2 = \frac{1}{2}Wh$ , we have  $\frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} = 0$ , so that we must determine which is the first derivative that is not equal to zero. Differentiating Equation (1), we write

$$\frac{d^3V}{d\theta^3} = -4kd^2\sin 2\theta + Wh\sin \theta = 0 \qquad \text{for } \theta = 0$$

$$\frac{d^4V}{d\theta^2} = -8kd^2\cos 2\theta + Wh\cos \theta$$

#### **PROBLEM 10.89 CONTINUED**

For 
$$\theta = 0$$
:

$$\frac{d^4V}{d\theta^4} = -8kd^2 + Wh$$

Since  $kd^2 = \frac{1}{2}Wh$ ,  $\frac{d^4V}{d\theta^4} = -4Wh + Wh < 0$ , we conclude that the equilibrium is unstable for  $kd^2 = \frac{1}{2}Wh$  and the > sign in Equation (2) is correct.

With

$$W = 160 \text{ lb}, h = 50 \text{ in.}, \text{ and } d = 24 \text{ in.}$$

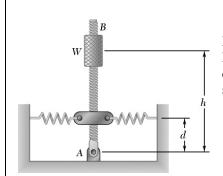
Equation (2) gives

$$k(24 \text{ in.})^2 > \frac{1}{2}(160 \text{ lb})(50 \text{ in.})$$

k > 6.944 lb/in.

or

$$k > 6.94 \text{ lb/in.} \blacktriangleleft$$



Rod AB is attached to a hinge at A and to two springs, each of constant k. If h = 30 in., k = 4 lb/in., and W = 40 lb, determine the smallest distance d for which the equilibrium of the rod is stable in the position shown. Each spring can act in either tension or compression.

#### **SOLUTION**

or

Using Equation (2) of Problem 10.89 with

$$h = 30 \text{ in.}, k = 4 \text{ lb/in.}, \text{ and } W = 40 \text{ lb}$$

$$(4 \text{ lb/in.})d^2 > \frac{1}{2}(40 \text{ lb})(30 \text{ in.})$$

 $d^2 > 150 \text{ in}^2$ 

d > 12.247 in.

smallest d = 12.25 in.