

Problem 32. λ denoting a variable parameter, and f a given function, find the condition that $f(x, y, \lambda) = 0$ should be a possible system of stream lines for steady irrotational motion in two dimensions.

Solution. Suppose $f(x, y, \lambda) = 0$ represents stream lines for different values of λ . Solving this equation, we get

$$\lambda = F(x, y).$$

... (1)

We also know that $\psi = \text{const.}$ represents stream lines. So we can suppose that (1) and $\phi = c$ both represent the same stream lines. It means that

$$\psi = \psi(\lambda). \quad \text{Now } \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = \frac{d\psi}{d\lambda} \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{d^2 \psi}{d\lambda^2} \left(\frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \frac{d\psi}{d\lambda} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \lambda}{\partial x^2} \quad \dots (3)$$

But the motion is irrotational and so $\nabla^2 \psi = 0$.

i.e.,
$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

In view of (3), this becomes

$$\left[\frac{d^2 \psi}{d\lambda^2} \left(\frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \frac{d\psi}{d\lambda} \frac{\partial^2 \lambda}{\partial x^2} \right] + \left[\frac{d^2 \psi}{d\lambda^2} \left(\frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \frac{d\psi}{d\lambda} \frac{\partial^2 \lambda}{\partial y^2} \right] = 0.$$

or
$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{d\lambda^2} \left[\left(\frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right] + \frac{d\psi}{d\lambda} \left[\frac{\partial^2 \lambda}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \lambda}{\partial y^2} \right] = 0$$

This is the required condition.

27 (8c)

(c) Prove that

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} \tan^2 t + \frac{y^2}{b^2} \cot^2 t = 1$$

is a possible form for the bounding surface of a liquid and find the velocity components.

Problem 17. Show that $\frac{x^2}{a^2} \tan^2 t + \frac{y^2}{b^2} \cot^2 t - 1 = 0$... (1)

is a possible form of boundary surface and find an expression for normal velocity.

Solution : To show that $F = 0$ is a possible form of boundary surface, we have to show that

$$u \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \dots (2)$$

Putting the values of various terms, we get

$$u \frac{2x}{a^2} \tan^2 t + v \cdot \frac{2y}{b^2} \cot^2 t + w \cdot 0 + \left(\frac{2x^2}{a^2} \tan t \sec^2 t - \frac{2y^2}{b^2} \cot t \operatorname{cosec}^2 t \right) = 0$$

or
$$\frac{2x}{a^2} \tan^2 t \left(u + \frac{x \sec^2 t}{\tan t} \right) + \frac{2y}{b^2} \cot^2 t \left(v - \frac{y \operatorname{cosec}^2 t}{\cot t} \right) = 0.$$

Thus (2) will be satisfied if we take

$$u + \frac{x \sec^2 t}{\tan t} = 0, \quad v - y \frac{\operatorname{cosec}^2 t}{\cot t} = 0,$$

i.e.,
$$u = \frac{-x}{\sin t \cos t}, \quad v = \frac{y}{\sin t \cos t}.$$

This will be a justifiable step if the equation of continuity, namely

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0 \text{ is satisfied.}$$

Now

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{\sin t \cos t} + \frac{1}{\sin t \cos t} + 0 = 0.$$

Hence (1) is a possible form of boundary surface.

Second Part. Normal velocity = $\frac{-\partial F/\partial t}{|\nabla F|}$

$$= \frac{-\left(\frac{2x}{a^2} \tan t \sec^2 t - \frac{2y}{b^2} \cot t \operatorname{cosec}^2 t\right)}{\left[\left(\frac{2x}{a^2} \tan^2 t\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2y}{b^2} \cot^2 t\right)^2\right]^{1/2}}$$

$$= -\frac{(b^2 x \tan t \sec^2 t - a^2 y \cot t \operatorname{cosec}^2 t)}{(b^4 x^2 \tan^4 t + a^4 y^2 \cot^4 t)^{1/2}}$$

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24 (6b)

(b) Show that the moment of inertia of a uniform rectangular mass M and sides $2a$ and $2b$ about a diagonal is $\frac{2Ma^2b^2}{3(a^2 + b^2)}$.

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Ex. 17. Show that M.I. of a rectangle of mass M and sides $2a, 2b$ about a diagonal is $\frac{2M}{3} \frac{a^2 b^2}{a^2 + b^2}$.

Deduce that in case of a square.

Sol. Let $ABCD$ be a rectangle of mass M and $AB = 2a, BC = 2b$

Then M.I. of rectangle about $OX = A = \frac{1}{3} Mb^2$,

and M.I. of rectangle about $OY = B = \frac{1}{3} Ma^2$.

P.I. of the rectangle about OX and

$OY = F = 0$.

(By symmetry)

If diagonal AC make an angle θ with AB , then

$$\cos \theta = \frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{2a}{\sqrt{(4a^2 + 4b^2)}} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$\text{and } \sin \theta = \frac{BC}{AB} = \frac{b}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

\therefore M.I. of the rectangle about AC

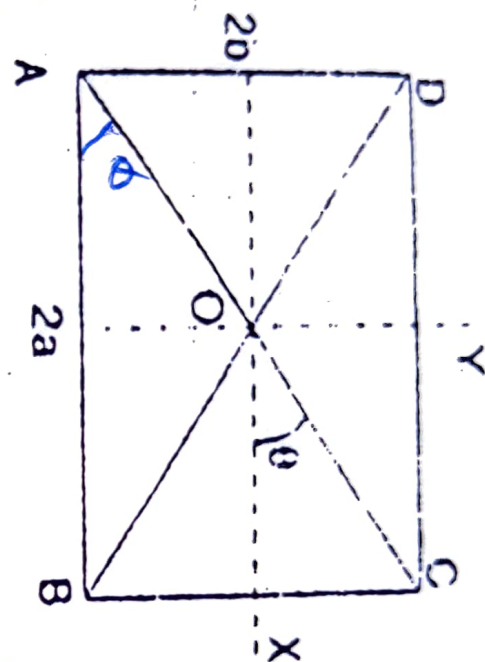
$$= A \cos^2 \theta + B \sin^2 \theta - F \sin 2\theta \text{ (see equation (1), § 1.16)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} Mb^2 \cdot \frac{a^2}{a^2 + b^2} + \frac{1}{3} Ma^2 \cdot \frac{b^2}{a^2 + b^2} - 0 = \frac{2M}{3} \cdot \frac{a^2 b^2}{a^2 + b^2}$$

Deduction. For a square, $2b = 2a$.

\therefore M.I. of square about AC

$$= \frac{2M}{3} \cdot \frac{a^4}{a^2 + a^2} = \frac{1}{3} Ma^2.$$



25 (7c)

- (c) A uniform rod OA of length $2a$ is free to turn about its end O , revolves with uniform angular velocity ω about a vertical axis OZ through O and is inclined at a constant angle α to OZ . Show that the value of α is either zero or

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3g}{4a\omega^2}\right)$$

50) Ex. 5. A uniform rod OA , of length $2a$, free to turn about its end O , revolves with uniform angular velocity ω about the vertical OZ through O , and is inclined at a constant angle α to OZ , show that the value of α is either zero or $\cos^{-1} (3g/4a\omega^2)$.

[Meerut TDC 92, 94(P), 95(BP) ; Rohilkhand 83]

Sol. Let the rod OA of length $2a$ and mass M revolve with uniform angular velocity ω about the vertical OZ through O , making a constant angle α to OZ . Let $PQ = \delta x$ be an element of the rod at a distance x from O . The mass of the element PQ is $\frac{M}{2a} \delta x$.

This element PQ will make a circle in the horizontal plane with radius $PM (= x \sin \alpha)$ and centre at M . Since the rod revolves with uniform angular velocity, the only effective force on this element is $\frac{M}{2a} \delta x \cdot PM \cdot \omega^2$ along PM .

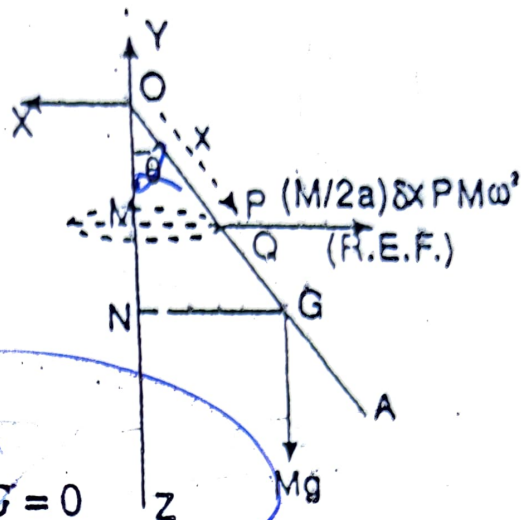
Thus the reversed effective force on the element PQ is

$\frac{M}{2a} \delta x \cdot x \sin \alpha \cdot \omega^2$ along MP .

Now by D'Alembert's principle all the reversed effective forces acting at different points of the rod, and the external forces, weight Mg and reaction at O are in equilibrium.

To avoid reaction at O , taking moment about O , we get

$$\sum \left(\frac{M}{2a} \delta x \cdot \omega^2 x \sin \alpha \right) \cdot OM - Mg \cdot NG = 0$$



$$\text{or } \int_0^{2a} \frac{M}{2a} \omega^2 x^2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha \, dx$$

$$- Mg \cdot a \sin \alpha = 0, \quad (\because OM = x \cos \alpha)$$

$$\text{or } \frac{M}{2a} \omega^2 \cdot \left\{ \frac{1}{3} (2a)^3 \right\} \cdot \sin \alpha \cos \alpha - Mg a \sin \alpha = 0$$

$$\text{or } Mg a \sin \alpha \left(\frac{4a}{3g} \omega^2 \cos \alpha - 1 \right) = 0$$

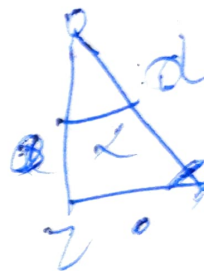
$$\therefore \text{either } \sin \alpha = 0 \text{ i.e. } \alpha = 0$$

$$\text{or } \frac{4a}{3g} \omega^2 \cos \alpha - 1 = 0, \text{ i.e. } \cos \alpha = \frac{3g}{4a\omega^2}$$

Hence, the rod is inclined at an angle zero or $\cos^{-1} \left(\frac{3g}{4a\omega^2} \right)$

Note. If $\omega^2 < \frac{3g}{4a}$, then $\cos \alpha > 1$, \therefore in this case $\cos \alpha = \frac{3g}{4a\omega^2}$ gives an

impossible value of α i.e. when $\omega^2 < \frac{3g}{4a}$, then $\alpha = 0$ is the only possible value of α .



26 (8b)

- (b) A plank of mass M is initially at rest along a straight line of greatest slope of a smooth plane inclined at an angle α to the horizon and a man of mass M' starting from the upper end walks down the plank so that it does not move. Show that he gets to the other end in time

$$\sqrt{\frac{2M'a}{(M+M')g\sin\alpha}}$$

where a is the length of the plank.

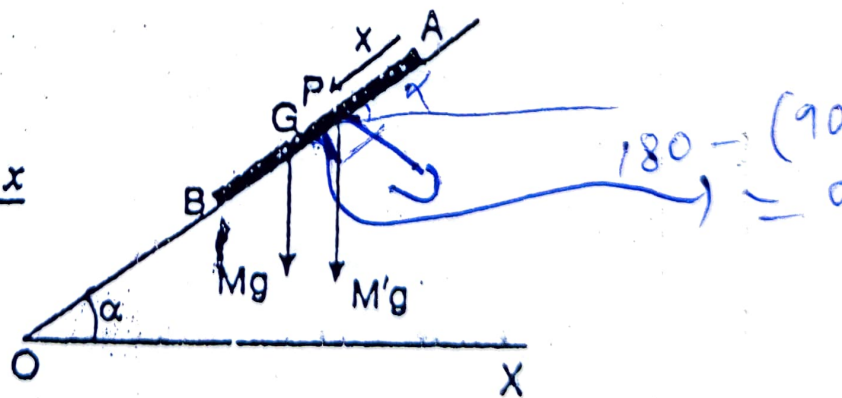
Ex. 9. A plank of mass M is initially at rest along a line of greatest slope of a smooth plane inclined at an angle α to the horizon, and a man of mass M' , starting from the upper end, walks down the plank so that it does not move, show that he gets to the other end in time

$$\sqrt{\left\{ \frac{2M'a}{(M+M')g \sin \alpha} \right\}}, \text{ where } a \text{ is the length of the plane.}$$

[Meerut, 84, 85, 87, 89, TDC 94(R), 97; Kanpur 82;]

Sol. Let the plank AB of mass M and length a rest along the line of greatest slope of a smooth plane inclined at an angle α to the horizon. A man of mass M' starts moving down the plank from the upper end A . Let the man move down the plank through a distance $AP = x$ in time t . Since the plank does not move, therefore if \bar{x} is the distance of the C. G. of the plank and the man from A in this position, then

$$\bar{x} = \frac{M \cdot AG + M' \cdot AP}{M + M'} = \frac{M \cdot (a/2) + M' x}{M + M'}$$



Differentiating twice w. r. t., 't', we get

$$\ddot{\bar{x}} = \frac{M'}{M + M'} \ddot{x}, \quad \dots(1)$$

Now the total weight $(M + M')g$ will act vertically downwards at the C. G. of the system.

\therefore The equation of motion of the C. G. of the system is given by

$$(M + M') \ddot{x} = (M + M') g \sin \alpha. \quad \dots(2)$$

\therefore From (1) and (2), we get

$$M' \ddot{x} = (M + M') g \sin \alpha.$$

Integrating, we get $M' \dot{x} = (M + M') g \sin \alpha \cdot t + c_1$.

But initially when $t = 0$, $\dot{x} = 0 \quad \therefore c_1 = 0$.

$$\therefore M' \dot{x} = (M + M') g \sin \alpha \cdot t.$$

Integrating again, we get $M' x = (M + M') g \sin \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{2} t^2 + c_2$.

Initially when $t = 0$, $x = 0 \quad \therefore c_2 = 0$.

$$\therefore M' x = (M + M') g \sin \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{2} t^2.$$

or

$$t = \sqrt{\left\{ \frac{2 M' x}{(M + M') g \sin \alpha} \right\}}$$

Putting $x = AB = a$, the time to reach the other end B of the plank is given by

$$t = \sqrt{\left\{ \frac{2 M' x}{(M + M') g \sin \alpha} \right\}}$$