



A particle  $P$  of mass  $0.5 \text{ kg}$  is projected along a smooth horizontal surface towards a fixed point  $A$ . Initially  $P$  is at a point  $O$  on the surface, and after projection,  $P$  has a displacement from  $O$  of  $x \text{ m}$  and velocity  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . The particle  $P$  is connected to  $A$  by a light elastic string of natural length  $0.8 \text{ m}$  and modulus of elasticity  $16 \text{ N}$ . The distance  $OA$  is  $1.6 \text{ m}$  (see diagram). The motion of  $P$  is resisted by a force of magnitude  $24x^2 \text{ N}$ .

- (i) Show that  $v \frac{dv}{dx} = 32 - 40x - 48x^2$  while  $P$  is in motion and the string is stretched. [3]

The maximum value of  $v$  is  $4.5$ .

- (ii) Find the initial value of  $v$ . [5]