



A particle P of mass 0.2 kg is attached to one end of a light inextensible string of length 0.6 m . The other end of the string is attached to a particle Q of mass 0.3 kg . The string passes through a small hole H in a smooth horizontal surface. A light elastic string of natural length 0.3 m and modulus of elasticity 15 N joins Q to a fixed point A which is 0.4 m vertically below H . The particle P moves on the surface in a horizontal circle with centre H (see diagram).

- (i) Calculate the greatest possible speed of P for which the elastic string is not extended. [4]
- (ii) Find the distance HP given that the angular speed of P is 8 rad s^{-1} . [5]