



Two uniform smooth spheres A and B of equal radii have masses m and km respectively. Sphere A is moving with speed u on a smooth horizontal surface when it collides with sphere B which is at rest. Immediately before the collision, A 's direction of motion makes an angle θ with the line of centres (see diagram). The coefficient of restitution between the spheres is $\frac{1}{3}$.

- (a) Show that the speed of B after the collision is $\frac{4u \cos \theta}{3(1+k)}$. [3]

70% of the total kinetic energy of the spheres is lost as a result of the collision.

- (b) Given that $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{3}$, find the value of k . [6]