

Two smooth spheres A and B have equal radii and masses m and $2m$ respectively. Sphere B is at rest on a smooth horizontal floor. Sphere A is moving on the floor with velocity u and collides directly with B . The coefficient of restitution between the spheres is e .

(a) Find, in terms of u and e , the velocities of A and B after the collision. [3]

Subsequently, B collides with a fixed vertical wall which makes an angle θ with the direction of motion of B , where $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$.

The coefficient of restitution between B and the wall is $\frac{2}{3}$. Immediately after B collides with the wall, the kinetic energy of A is $\frac{5}{32}$ of the kinetic energy of B .

(b) Find the possible values of e . [7]