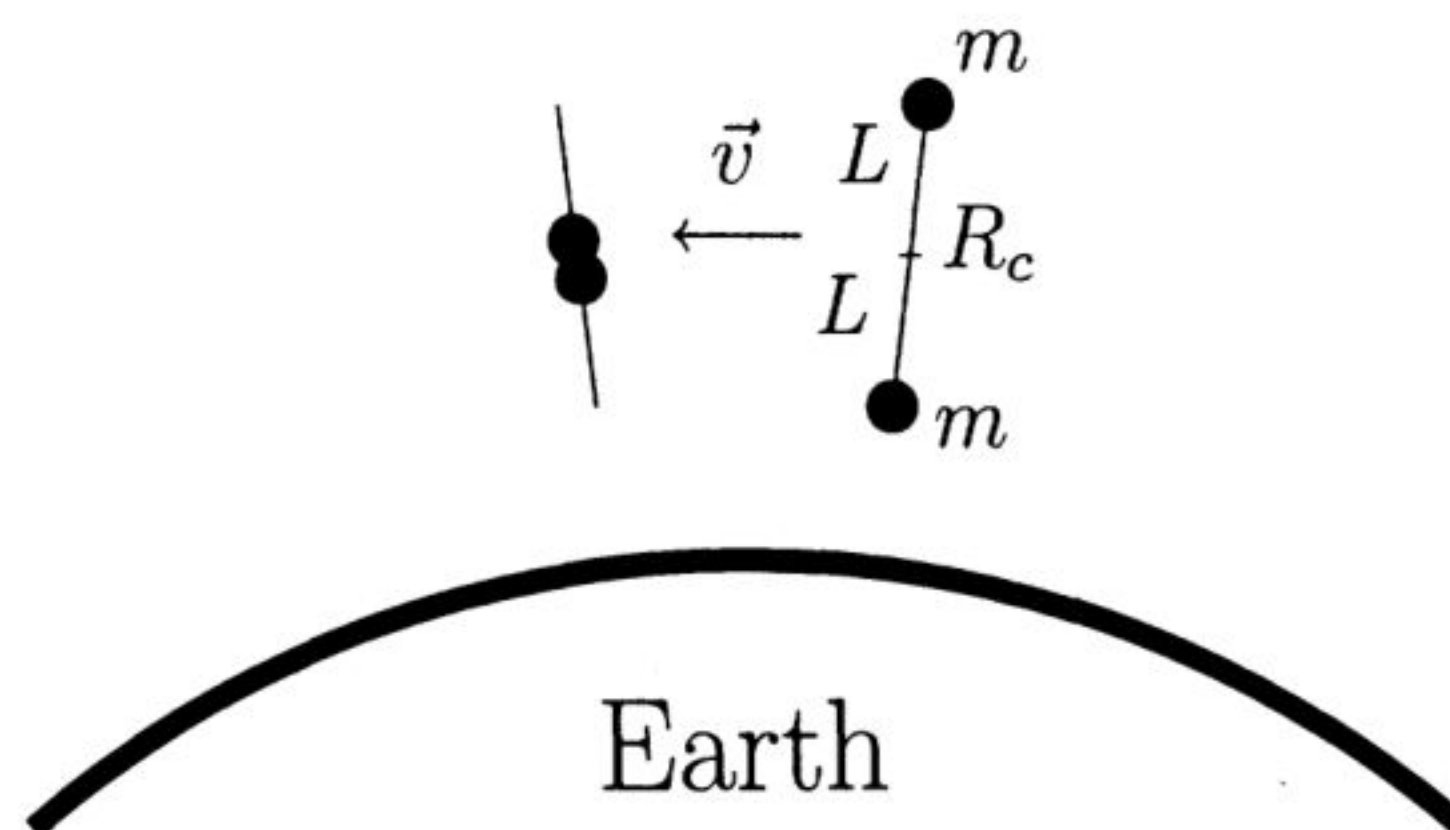


2. A dumbbell-shaped satellite consists of two “point” masses, m , separated by a massless rod of length $2L$. It is in a circular orbit around the Earth with the center of the dumbbell at a radius R_c from the center of the Earth. [Use M for the mass of the Earth and G for the gravitational constant and assume $m \ll M$.]
- What is the angular velocity ω of the satellite (in terms of m , R_c , G , ...)?
 - A motor in the satellite is used to pull the masses together. Calculate the work that it must do to pull them together. Assume the dumbbell maintains a radial orientation as shown.
 - Which of the following remain constant during this maneuver? (Circle all that remain constant.)
 - Total mechanical energy of the satellite (*i.e.*, kinetic plus gravitational potential)?
 - Total angular momentum of the Earth-satellite system?
 - Total mechanical energy of the Earth-satellite system (kinetic plus gravitational potential)?
 - The radius of the center-of-mass of the satellite?
 - The circular shape of the orbit?



[There is space on the next page to write out solution.]