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Problem 1. Spiral Motion. (36 points)

A point M moves on a spiral polar equation:

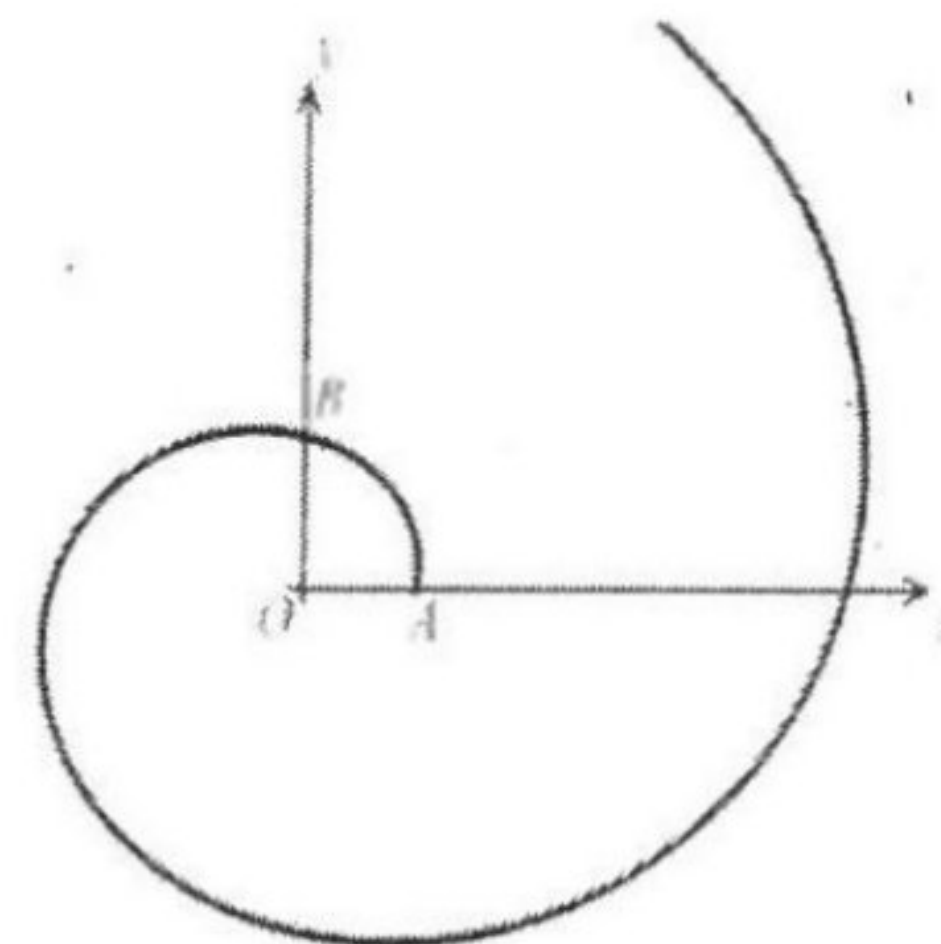
$$r = r_0 e^{\theta}$$

with $\theta = \omega t$ is the direction with the x-axis; r_0 and ω are constants.

- What are the cartesian coordinates of A and B?
- Knowing that the polar unit vectors are \vec{e}_r and \vec{e}_θ ;
 $(\vec{e}_r, \vec{e}_\theta) = \frac{\pi}{2}$ and $\vec{OM} = r\vec{e}_r$.

Calculate, in terms of ω and r , the radial component V_r and transverse component V_θ , and the magnitude of the velocity vector \vec{V} .

- Determine the angle between \vec{V} and \vec{e}_r .
- Find the radial component a_r and transverse component a_θ , and the magnitude of the acceleration vector \vec{a} .



Problem 2. Lennard-Jones Potential. (36 points)

A commonly used potential energy function to describe the interaction between two atoms is the Lennard-Jones 6, 12 potential:

$$E_p(r) = E_0 \left[\left(\frac{r_0}{r} \right)^{12} - 2 \left(\frac{r_0}{r} \right)^6 \right]; r > 0$$

Where r is the distance between the atoms; E_0 and r_0 are positive constant.

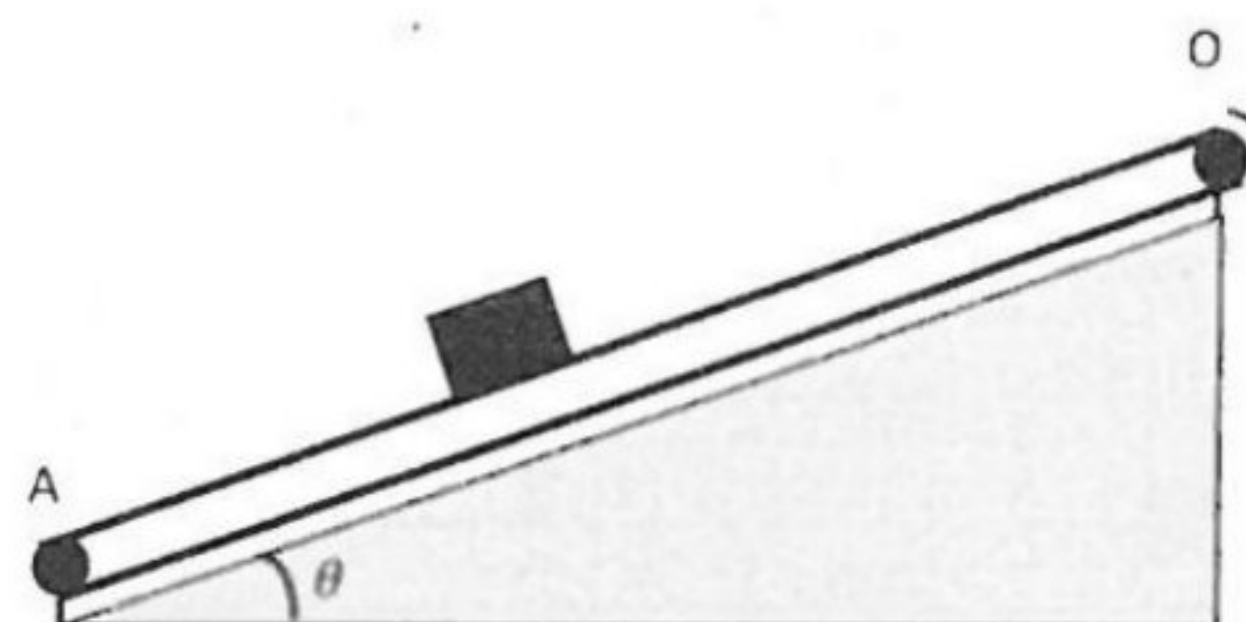
- Find the force associated to this potential.
- What is the equilibrium position, and explain whether the equilibrium is stable or not?
- Determine the corresponding potential energy.

Problem 3. Rolling carpet - Projectile. (28 points)

The two parts A and B are independent.

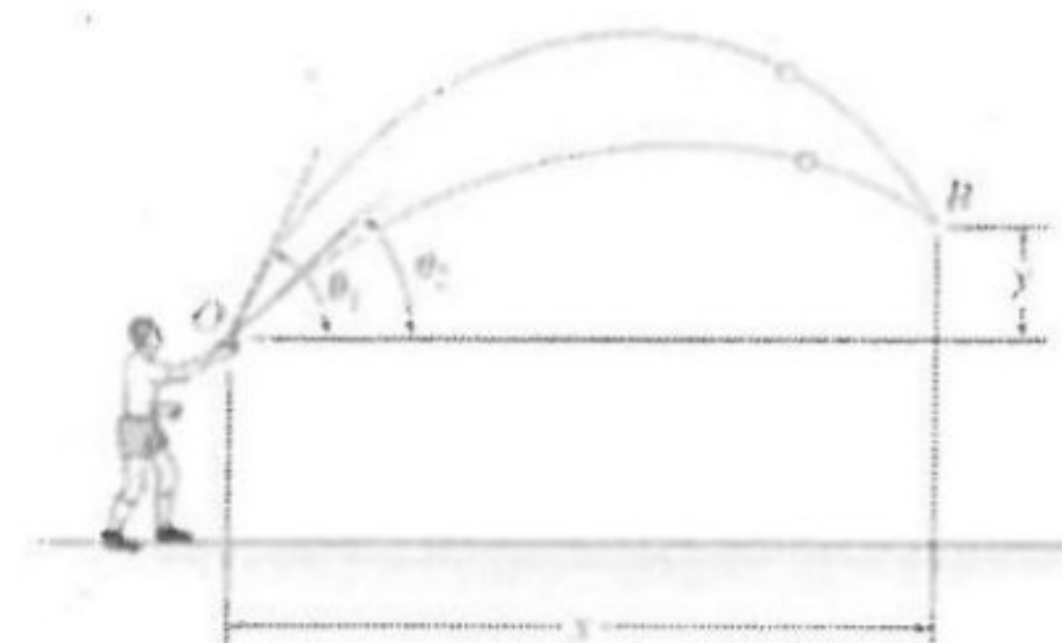
Part A.

An object of mass $m = 3$ kg is placed on a conveyor that makes an angle $\theta = 30^\circ$ with the horizontal. The coefficient of static friction between the object and the conveyor is μ_s . The system (object + conveyor) are driven upward by a traction force $F = 30$ N. Find the minimum value of μ_s that permits the system to move with a constant speed $v = 2$ m/s. Given: $g = 10$ m/s²



Part B. (In this part all types of friction forces are neglected)

When the object arrives at point O, it is ejected with a speed v at an angle θ_2 with respect to the horizontal. If another object is launched with the same speed v but at an angle $\theta_1 > \theta_2$ then **show** that the time interval separating the launch of the two objects is equal to:



$$\Delta t = |t_1 - t_2| = \frac{2v \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}{g (\cos \theta_1 + \cos \theta_2)}$$

Such that the two objects reach B at the same instant.

Use the identity: $\sin(a \mp b) = \sin(a) \cos(b) \mp \cos(a) \sin(b)$

Good reflection

PI $r = r_0 e^{i\omega t} = r_0 e^{i\omega t}$ r_0 and ω are constant.

a) $\begin{cases} x = r \cos \theta = r_0 e^{i\omega t} \cos \theta \\ y = r \sin \theta = r_0 e^{i\omega t} \sin \theta \end{cases}$ $A(\theta=0)$ $B(\theta=\pi/2)$

$\begin{cases} x_A = r_0 \\ y_A = 0 \end{cases}$ $\begin{cases} x_B = r_0 e^{i\pi/2} \cos \pi/2 = 0 \\ y_B = r_0 e^{i\pi/2} \sin \pi/2 = r_0 e^{i\pi/2} \end{cases}$

$A(r_0, 0)$ $B(0; r_0 e^{i\pi/2})$

b) $\vec{OM} = r \vec{e}_r \Rightarrow \vec{V} = \frac{d\vec{OM}}{dt} = \dot{r} \vec{e}_r + r \dot{\theta} \vec{e}_\theta$
 $\begin{cases} v_r = \dot{r} = r_0 \omega e^{i\omega t} \\ v_\theta = r \dot{\theta} = r_0 \omega e^{i\omega t} \end{cases}$ $V = \sqrt{v_r^2 + v_\theta^2} = \sqrt{2} r_0 \omega e^{i\omega t}$

c) $\vec{V} \cdot \vec{e}_r = (\dot{r} \vec{e}_r + r \dot{\theta} \vec{e}_\theta) \cdot \vec{e}_r = \dot{r} = |\vec{V}| \cos \alpha$
 $\Rightarrow \cos \alpha = \frac{\dot{r}}{|\vec{V}|} = \frac{r_0 \omega e^{i\omega t}}{\sqrt{2} r_0 \omega e^{i\omega t}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\pi}{4}$

d) $\begin{cases} a_r = \ddot{r} - r \dot{\theta}^2 = r_0 \omega^2 e^{i\omega t} - r_0 e^{i\omega t} \omega^2 = 0 \\ a_\theta = r \ddot{\theta} + 2\dot{r} \dot{\theta} = 0 + 2 r_0 \omega^2 e^{i\omega t} = 2 r_0 \omega^2 e^{i\omega t} \end{cases}$
 $a = \sqrt{a_r^2 + a_\theta^2} = 2 r_0 \omega^2 e^{i\omega t} = a$

P II $E_p(r) = E_0 \left[\left(\frac{r_0}{r} \right)^{12} - 2 \left(\frac{r_0}{r} \right)^6 \right] \quad r > 0.$
 $E_0, r_0 > 0.$

a) $\vec{F} = - \text{grad } E_p(r) = - \frac{dE_p}{dr} \vec{u}_r$ (6)

$\vec{F} = 12 E_0 r_0^6 \left[r_0^6 r^{-13} - r^{-7} \right] \vec{u}_r$ (6)

b) $\vec{F} = \vec{0}$ (3) Position d'équilibre (Equilibrium position)

$\Rightarrow r_0^6 r^{-13} - r^{-7} = 0 \Rightarrow r_0^6 r^{-6} - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{r_0 = r} > 0$ (3)

* Stability: $\frac{d^2E}{dr^2} > 0$ or < 0 ?

$\frac{dE}{dr} = E_0 \left[-12 r_0^{12} r^{-13} + 12 r_0^6 r^{-7} \right]$ (3)

$\frac{d^2E}{dr^2} = E_0 \left[12 \times 13 r_0^{12} r^{-14} - 12 \times 7 r_0^6 r^{-8} \right]$ (3)

For $r = r_0 \Rightarrow \left. \frac{d^2E}{dr^2} \right|_{r_0} = 72 E_0 r_0^{-2} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{Stable.}$ (3)

c) $E_p(r_0) = E_0 \left[\left(\frac{r_0}{r_0} \right)^{12} - 2 \left(\frac{r_0}{r_0} \right)^6 \right] = \boxed{-E_0 = E_p(r_0)}$ (3)

P III Part A

NSL: $\vec{F} + \vec{w} + \vec{N} + \vec{f}_s = m\vec{a}$ (2)

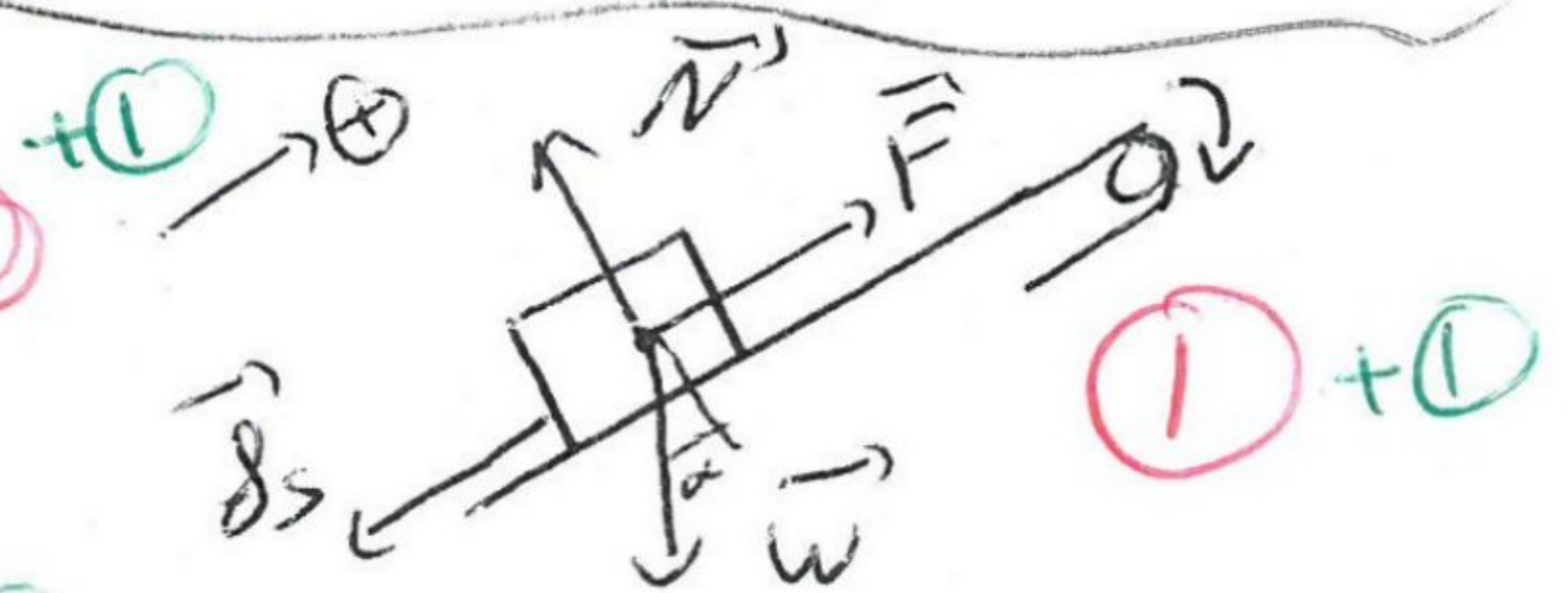
$v = 2 \text{ m/s} \Rightarrow a = 0$ (2) (1)

Projection \vec{e} : $-\vec{f}_s - w \sin \alpha + \vec{F} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{f}_s = F - w \sin \alpha = 15 \text{ N}$ (1)

\vec{e}^\perp : $N - w \cos \alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{f}_{s, \max} = \mu_s N = \mu_s m g \cos 30^\circ$ (2)

$\vec{f}_{s, \max} = 15\sqrt{3} \mu_s (\text{N})$ (2) (1)

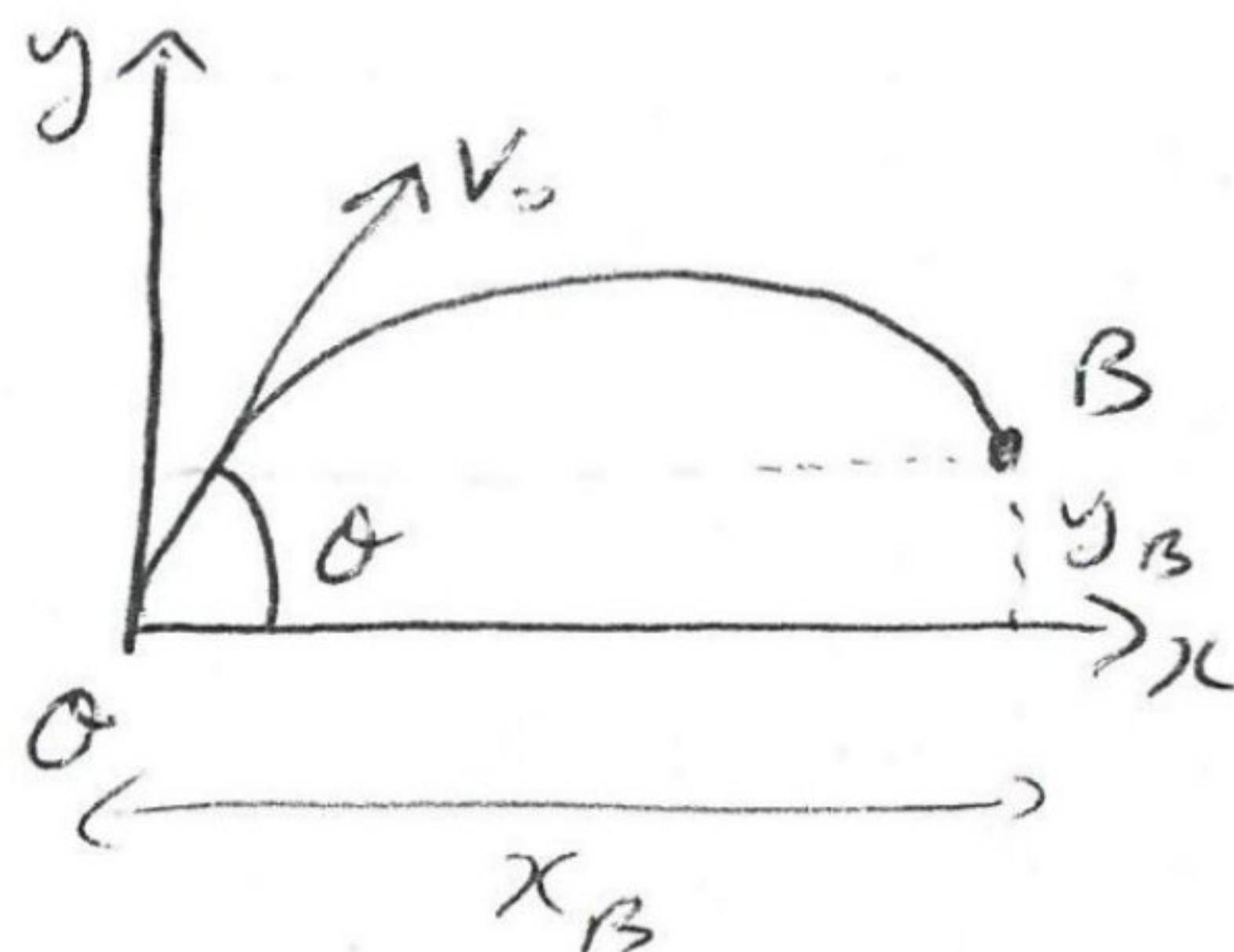
Object at rest / Carpet $\Rightarrow \vec{f}_s \leq \vec{f}_{s, \max} \Rightarrow \mu_s > \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} = 0.58$
 $\mu_s = \mu_{s, \min}$ (1)



Part B

NSL $m\vec{g} = m\vec{a} \Rightarrow \vec{a} = -g\hat{j}$ ①

$a_x = 0$ ① $\Rightarrow \vec{v} = \begin{cases} v_0 \cos \theta \\ -gt + (v_0 \sin \theta) \end{cases}$ ①



$\vec{OM}(t) = \begin{cases} x(t) = (v_0 \cos \theta) t + x_0 \\ y(t) = -\frac{1}{2} g t^2 + (v_0 \sin \theta) t + y_0 \end{cases}$ ①

Particle 1: $x_1 = (v_0 \cos \theta_1) t_1$ Particle 2: $x_2 = (v_0 \cos \theta_2) t_2$

$y_1 = -\frac{1}{2} g t_1^2 + (v_0 \sin \theta_1) t_1$

$y_2 = -\frac{1}{2} g t_2^2 + (v_0 \sin \theta_2) t_2$

at B: $x_1 = x_2$ ② and $y_1 = y_2$ ③

$\Rightarrow \boxed{(\cos \theta_1) t_1 = (\cos \theta_2) t_2}$ ④ $\Rightarrow t_1 = \frac{\cos \theta_2}{\cos \theta_1} t_2$

and $-\frac{1}{2} g t_2^2 + (v_0 \sin \theta_2) t_2 = -\frac{1}{2} g t_1^2 + (v_0 \sin \theta_1) t_1$

$\Rightarrow -\frac{g}{2} [t_2^2 - t_1^2] = v_0 [\sin \theta_1 t_1 - \sin \theta_2 t_2]$

$\Rightarrow -\frac{g}{2} \left[t_2^2 - \left(\frac{\cos \theta_2}{\cos \theta_1} \right)^2 t_2^2 \right] = v_0 \left[\sin \theta_1 \frac{\cos \theta_2}{\cos \theta_1} t_2 - \sin \theta_2 t_2 \right]$

$\Rightarrow t_2 = \frac{2v_0}{g} \left[\frac{\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \cos \theta_1 - \cos^2 \theta_1 \sin \theta_2}{\cos^2 \theta_2 - \cos^2 \theta_1} \right]$ ⑤

and $\Rightarrow t_1 = \frac{2v_0}{g} \left[\frac{\sin \theta_1 \cos^2 \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_2}{\cos^2 \theta_2 - \cos^2 \theta_1} \right]$ ⑥

$\Delta t = |t_1 - t_2| = \frac{2v_0}{g} \frac{⑥ - ⑤ - ⑤ + ⑥}{(\cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1)(\cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1)}$

$$\Delta t = |t_1 - t_2| = \frac{2V_0}{g} \frac{\sin \theta_1 \cos^2 \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \cos \theta_1}{(\cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1)(\cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1)} + \cos^2 \theta_1 \sin \theta_2$$

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$$\Delta t = \frac{2V_0}{g} \frac{\sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 (\cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1) + \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 (\cos \theta_1 - \cos \theta_2)}{(\cos \theta_2 - \cos \theta_1)(\cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1)}$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{2V_0}{g} \frac{\sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}{\cos \theta_2 + \cos \theta_1}$$