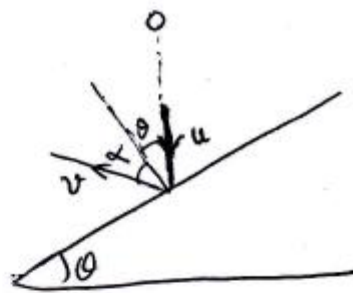


3 A ball of mass m kg is dropped from a vertical height of h m above a smooth plane that is inclined at an angle θ to the horizontal, where $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$.

The coefficient of restitution between the ball and the plane is e .

Given that the ball loses half of its kinetic energy on impact with the plane, find the value of e .

(9)



$$\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$KE \text{ before} = \frac{1}{2} m u^2 \quad KE \text{ after} = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} m v^2 = \frac{1}{4} m u^2 \Rightarrow v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u$$



before:

$$\begin{array}{l} \rightarrow u \cos \theta \\ \downarrow u \sin \theta \end{array}$$

After:

$$\begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u \cos \alpha \\ \downarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u \sin \alpha \end{array}$$

So:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u \sin \alpha = u \sin \theta \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \alpha = 0.6$$

$$\sin \alpha = \sqrt{2} \times 0.6$$

$$\alpha = 58.05^\circ$$

$\therefore e = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u \cos \alpha}{u \cos \theta}$

$\therefore e = \frac{0.528}{\sqrt{2} \times 0.8} = 0.4677$

7 A smooth sphere S is moving on a smooth horizontal plane with speed u when it collides with a smooth fixed vertical wall. At the instant of collision, the direction of motion of S makes an angle of 60° with the wall. Immediately after the collision S has a speed of $\frac{15}{16}u \text{ m s}^{-1}$ and its direction of motion makes an angle of α with the wall.

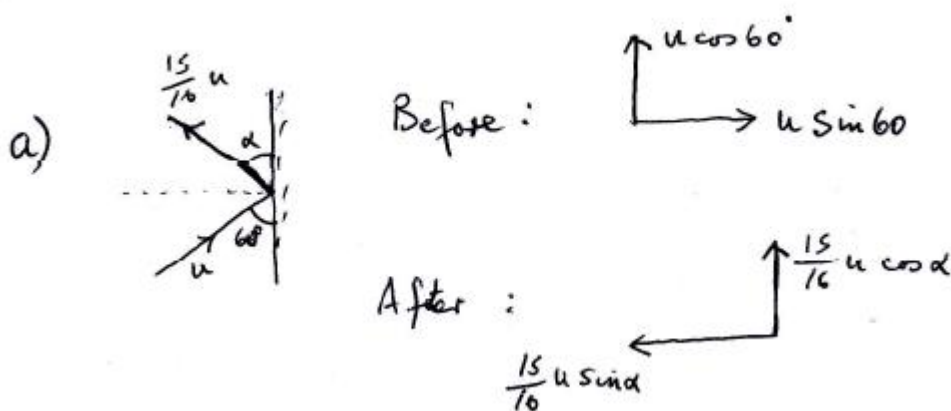
a Find:

i the value of α

ii the coefficient of restitution between S and the wall. (4)

S then moves on and collides obliquely with another smooth sphere T of equal mass and radius. Immediately before the impact T is stationary and the velocity of S makes an angle of α with the lines of centres of the two spheres, where α is the angle found in part a i. The coefficient of restitution between the spheres is $\frac{3}{4}$.

b Find the speeds of S and T immediately after the collision in terms of u , and the angle the velocity of each sphere makes with the line of centres. (5)

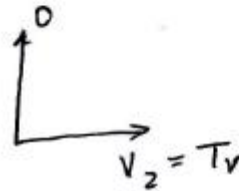
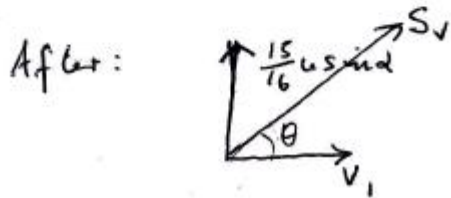
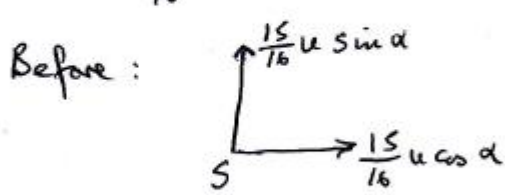
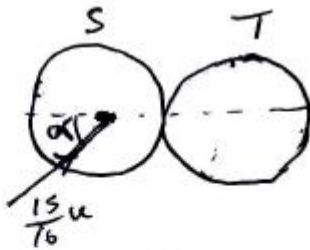


i) S_0 : $\frac{15}{16}u \cos \alpha = \frac{1}{2}u$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{8}{15} \Rightarrow \alpha = 57.8^\circ$$

ii) $\therefore e = \frac{\frac{15}{16} \sin 57.8^\circ}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = 0.916$

b)



So: $\frac{15}{16} u \cos \alpha = V_1 + V_2$

$$V_1 + V_2 = 0.5$$

And: $e = \frac{V_2 - V_1}{\frac{15}{16} u \cos \alpha} = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow V_2 - V_1 = 0.375$

$$\therefore 2V_2 = 0.875u \rightarrow V_2 = 0.4375u$$

$$V_1 = 0.0625u$$

$\therefore T_v = 0.4375u$ along line of centres

$$S_v = \sqrt{0.0625^2 + 0.7933^2} u = 0.7957$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{0.7933}{0.0625} \right)$$

$= 85.5^\circ$ to line of centres.