

Read the following sentences and fill in the blanks ① to ⑬ with the appropriate formulas. Also, answer the underlined parts (A to C) according to **Questions**.

As shown in Fig. 1, consider a rotation problem of a thin semi-cylindrical shell. The shell is with a radius R and a mass M ignoring its thickness in contact with a smooth horizontal floor and a smooth vertical wall.

Note that C is the midpoint of the diameter AB and now coincides with the origin O of the xy -coordinate system. D is the midpoint of the arc AB , and G is the center of gravity of the shell on the line segment CD . H is the reaction force from the vertical wall, and V is the reaction force from the horizontal floor. The gravitational acceleration is g .

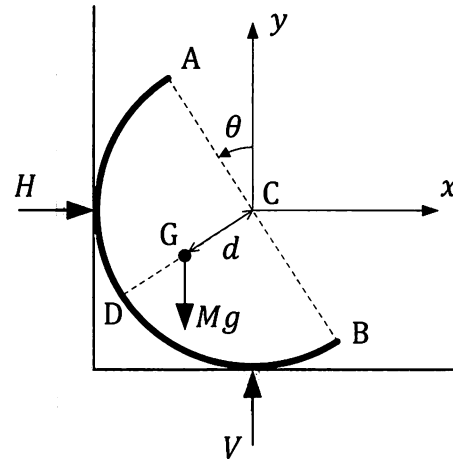


Fig.1

Now, a certain force is applied to make the shell stand still at the position where θ (the angle formed by CA with the y -axis) is equal to 0.(A) After that, when the force is removed instantly, the shell begins to rotate.

First, as a preparation, let's find the position of the center of gravity G of the shell and its moment of inertia. Denoting the distance between the center of gravity G and the point C by d , the following integral equation holds referring to Fig. 2.

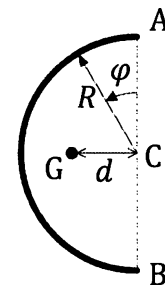


Fig.2

$$\int_0^\pi \boxed{\text{①}} \sigma R d\varphi = 0 \quad (1)$$

where σ is the mass per unit arc length of the shell $\sigma = \boxed{\text{②}}$.

From Eq.(1), $d = \boxed{\text{③}}$.

(In the subsequent answers, use d .)

On the other hand, the moment of inertia I_C around the point C is obviously $I_C = MR^2$ because all the mass M is on the radius R . Therefore, the moment of inertia I_G around the center of gravity G is $I_G = I_C - \boxed{\text{④}}$ from the parallel axis theorem of moment of inertia.

If the shell does not move away from the vertical wall, the point C does not move, and then the movement of the shell is only the rotation around the point C. Therefore, the equation of rotational motion is as follows.

$$I_C \ddot{\theta} = \boxed{\text{⑤}} \quad (2)$$

Note that the over-dot and the pair of over-dots represent the first and second time derivatives, respectively.

Multiplying both sides of Eq. (2) by $2\dot{\theta}$ and integrating at time t , and considering the initial condition of $\dot{\theta} = 0$ at $t = 0$, $\dot{\theta}^2$ can be obtained as follows. (B)

$$\dot{\theta}^2 = \boxed{\text{⑥}} \quad (3)$$

This relationship can also be derived from the energy conservation law instead of solving the differential equation (Eq. (2)).

Consider the equation of motion for the center of gravity G in order to obtain the reaction force H from the vertical wall and the reaction force V from the horizontal floor during motion. If the coordinates of the center of gravity G are (x, y) , the translational motion can be expressed in the following forms.

$$\begin{aligned} M\ddot{x} &= \boxed{\text{⑦}} \\ M\ddot{y} &= \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

The rotational motion around the center of gravity G can be expressed in the following form.

$$I_G \ddot{\theta} = \boxed{\text{⑧}} \quad (5)$$

Since \ddot{x} and \ddot{y} can be expressed as follows in terms of d and θ

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{x} &= \boxed{} \quad \textcircled{9} \\ \ddot{y} &= \boxed{} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

the reaction forces H and V can be expressed as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} H &= \boxed{} \\ V &= \boxed{} \end{aligned} \quad \textcircled{10} \quad (7)$$

Substituting these equations into the equation of motion around the center of gravity (Eq.(5)) results in the equation of motion relative to the point C (Eq.(2)).

Using Eqs. (2) and (3), the reaction forces can be obtained from Eq. (7) as follows.

$$H = \boxed{} \quad \textcircled{11} \quad (8)$$

$$V = \boxed{} \quad \textcircled{12} \quad (9)$$

Since the Eq. (8) of the reaction force H from the vertical wall is negative when $\theta > \pi/2$, the shell will detach from the vertical wall when $\theta = \pi/2$.

In the following, we will consider the movement after detaching from the vertical wall. At the moment of detachment ($t = t_0$), the angle $\theta(t_0)$ and the angular velocity $\dot{\theta}(t_0)$ are as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(t_0) &= \pi/2 \\ \dot{\theta}(t_0) &= \boxed{} \quad \textcircled{13} \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

The reaction forces are as follows. (C)

$$\begin{aligned} H(t_0) &= 0 \\ V(t_0) &= \boxed{} \quad \textcircled{14} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

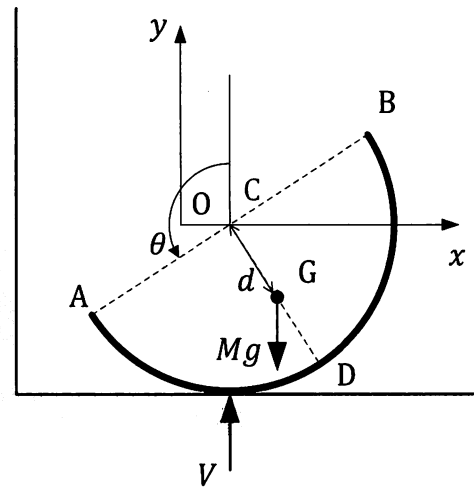


Fig.3

The translational velocity of the center of gravity is as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}(t_0) &= \boxed{\textcircled{15}} \\ \dot{y}(t_0) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Therefore, at the moment of detachment ($t = t_0$), the distribution of the kinetic energy of the shell can be expressed as the following rates.

$$\text{Rotational motion : Translational motion} = \boxed{\textcircled{16}} \quad (13)$$

As shown in Fig. 3, the force acting on the semi-cylindrical shell after detachment is only in the y -direction, so the shell continues to move translationally at a constant velocity $\dot{x}(t_0)$ in the x -direction while swinging.

The governing equations of motion are derived by setting H to 0 in Eqs. (4) and (5). From those equations, the following equation can be derived.

$$\ddot{\theta} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{d\theta} (\dot{\theta}^2) = \boxed{\textcircled{17}} \dot{\theta}^2 + \boxed{\textcircled{18}} \quad (14)$$

This equation is a first-order differential equation for $\dot{\theta}^2$ with respect to θ . Therefore, $\dot{\theta}^2$ can be expressed as a function of θ by using Eq.(10) as the initial condition. Using the solution, the swing angle when $\dot{\theta}^2 = 0$, that is, the maximum swing angle (maximum value of θ : θ_{\max}) can be obtained. Also, using the energy conservation law, it can be easily obtained as follows.

$$\theta_{\max} = \boxed{\textcircled{19}} \quad (\theta_{\max} > \pi/2) \quad (15)$$

Questions

- [1] Determine the required force's magnitude, its acting point and its direction to achieve the state described in the underlined part (A). Also, determine the magnitudes of the reaction forces H and V at that time.
- [2] Derive the Eq. (3) using the procedure shown in the underlined part (B).
- [3] With respect to the underlined part (C), the reaction force from the horizontal floor $V(t_0)$ is larger than that corresponding to the gravity. Explain the reason of the increment.