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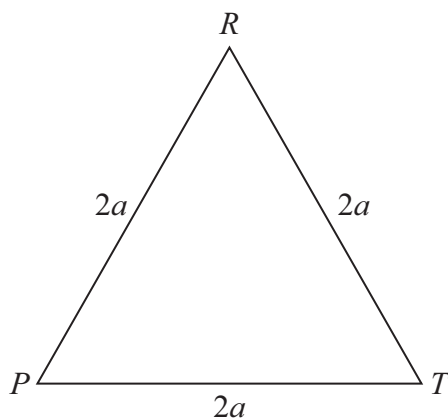


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows a uniform equilateral triangular lamina PRT with sides of length $2a$.

- (a) Using calculus, prove that the centre of mass of PRT is at a distance $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}a$ from R . (6)

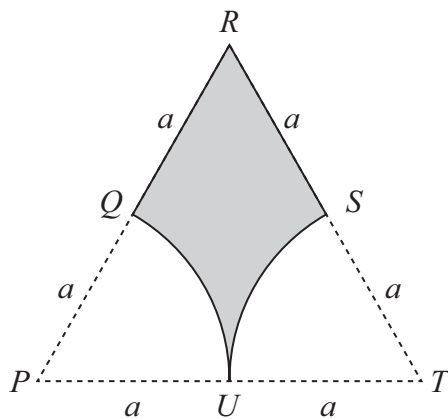


Figure 4

The circular sector PQU , of radius a and centre P , and the circular sector TUS , of radius a and centre T , are removed from PRT to form the uniform lamina $QRSU$ shown in Figure 4.

- (b) Show that the distance of the centre of mass of $QRSU$ from U is $\frac{2a}{3\sqrt{3}-\pi}$ (6)



7. A particle B of mass 0.5 kg is attached to one end of a light elastic string of natural length 0.75 m and modulus of elasticity 24.5 N. The other end of the string is attached to a fixed point A . The particle is hanging in equilibrium at the point E , vertically below A .

(a) Show that $AE = 0.9$ m.

(3)

The particle is held at A and released from rest. The particle first comes to instantaneous rest at the point C .

(b) Find the distance AC .

(5)

(c) Show that while the string is taut, B is moving with simple harmonic motion with centre E .

(4)

(d) Calculate the maximum speed of B .

(2)



