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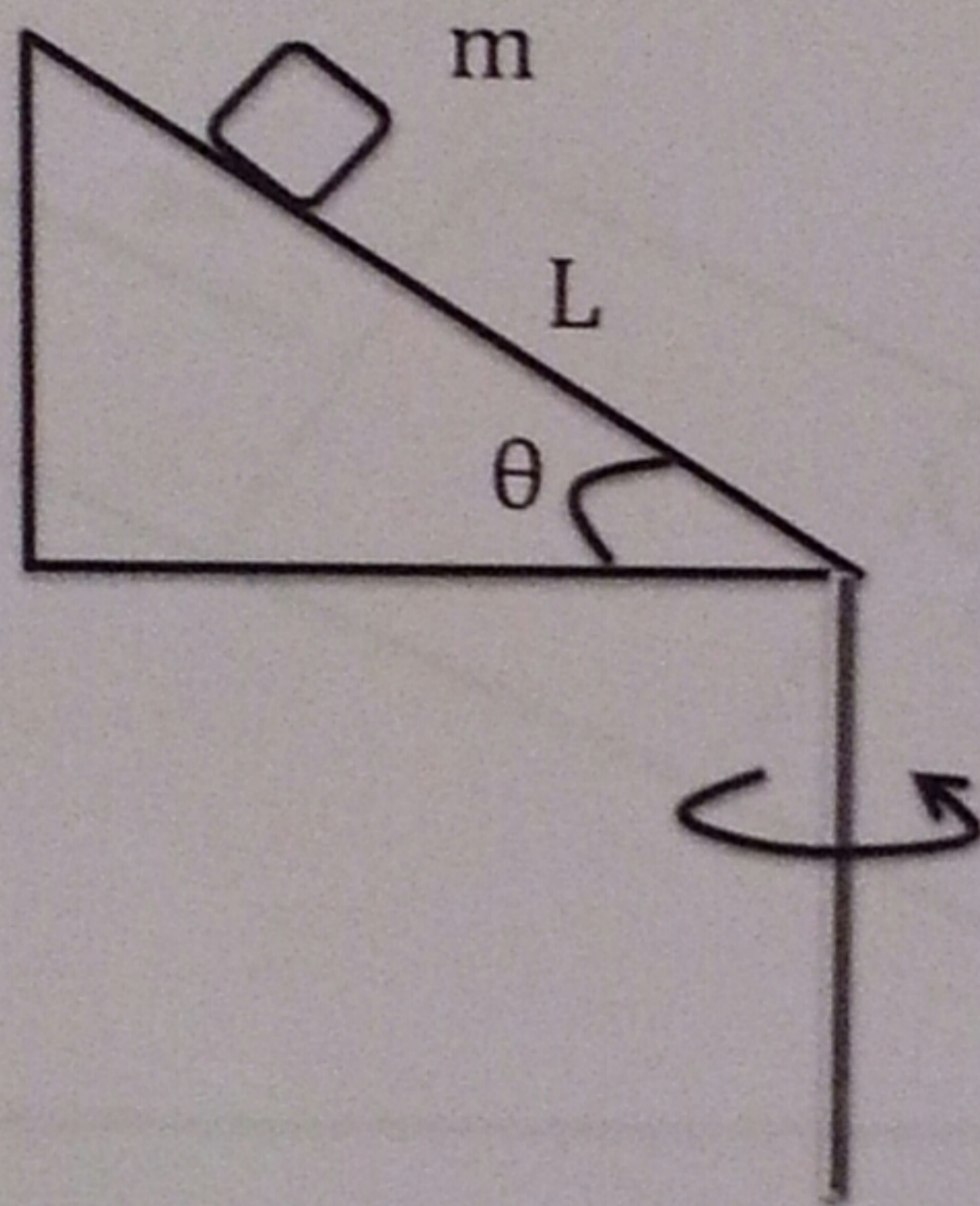
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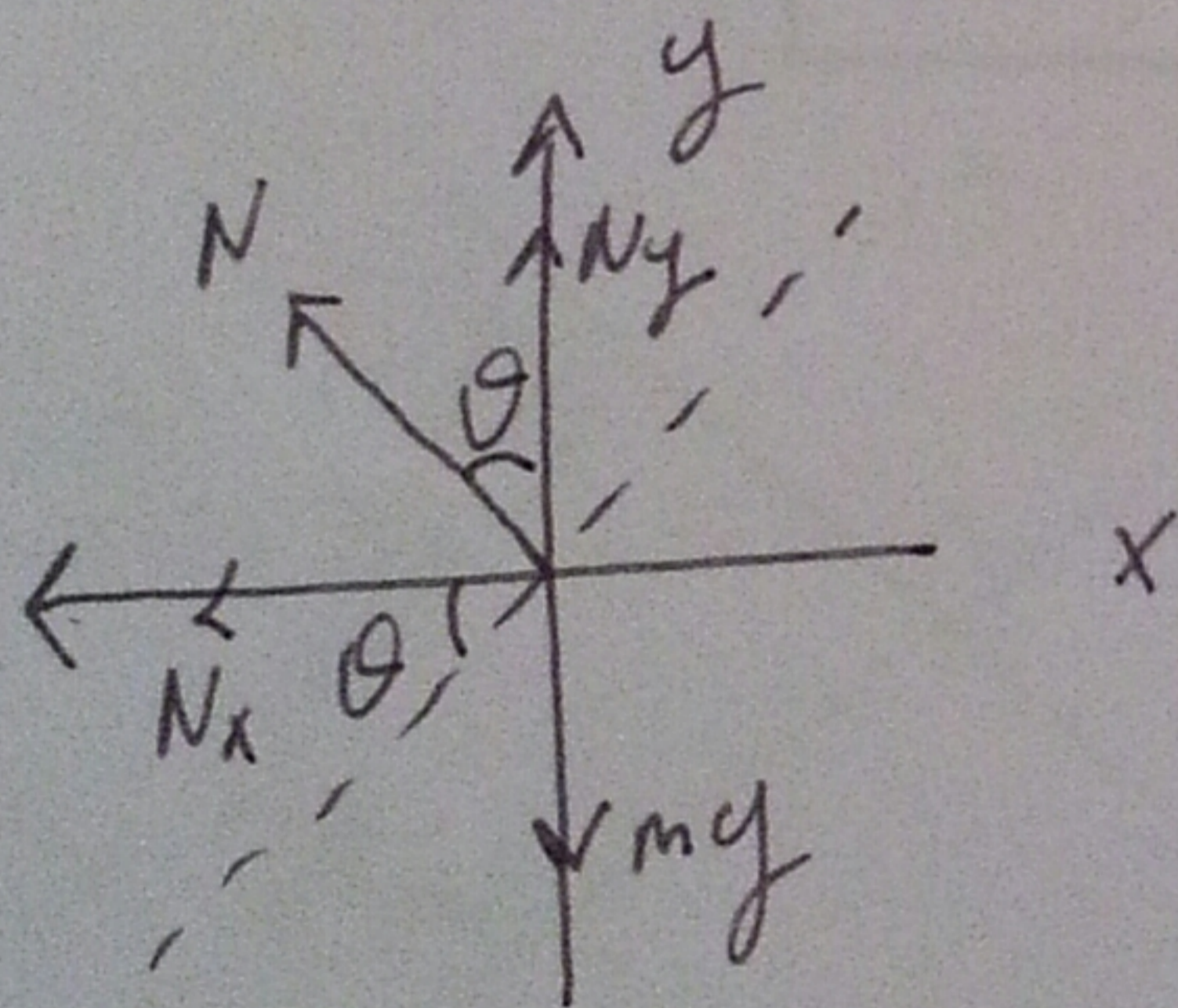
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A particle of mass m remains at a constant height on a frictionless wedge, firmly attached to a vertical rod rotating at a certain constant rate. Find the velocity of the particle in terms of the parameters θ , L shown in the figure and the gravitational acceleration g .



Solution



$$mg \sin \theta = m a_{\text{rad}} \cos \theta$$

$$-N + mg \cos \theta = -m a_{\text{rad}} \sin \theta$$

$$N_y = N \cos \theta = mg$$

$$N_x = N \sin \theta = m \frac{v^2}{R}$$

$$v = \left[\frac{g \sin \theta R}{\cos \theta} \right]^{1/2}; \quad R = L \cos \theta$$

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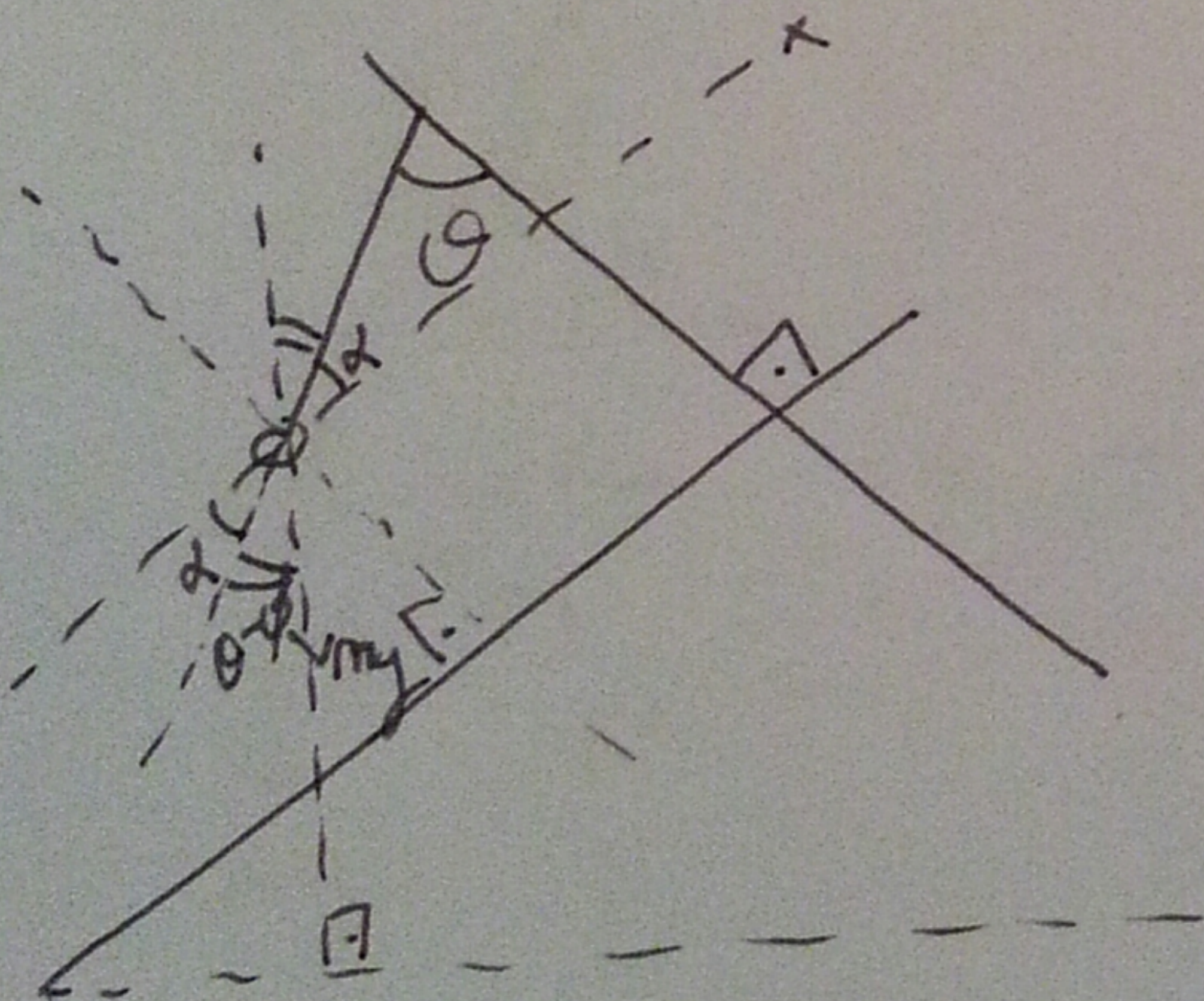
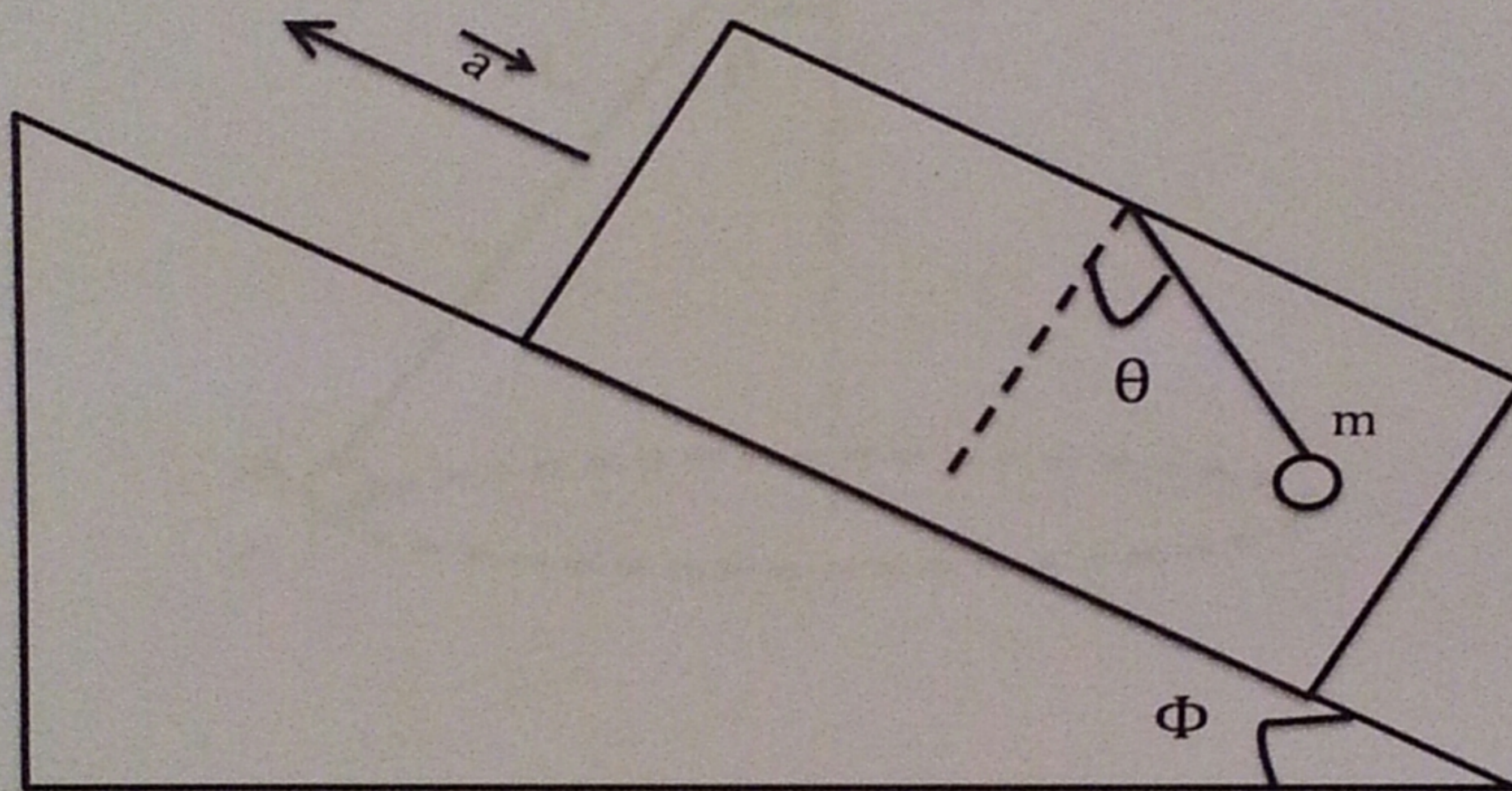
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A particle of mass m is suspended from the ceiling of a hollow block by a massless cord as shown in the figure. The block is pulled up a wedge that makes an angle Φ with the horizontal at a constant acceleration a . If the cord makes a constant angle θ the perpendicular to the ceiling, what is a in terms of Φ , θ and gravitational acceleration g .



$$T \sin \theta - mg \sin \phi = m a$$

$$-mg \cos \phi + T \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{mg \cos \phi}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow mg \tan \theta \cos \phi - mg \sin \phi = m a$$

$$\Rightarrow a = g (\tan \theta \cos \phi - \sin \phi)$$

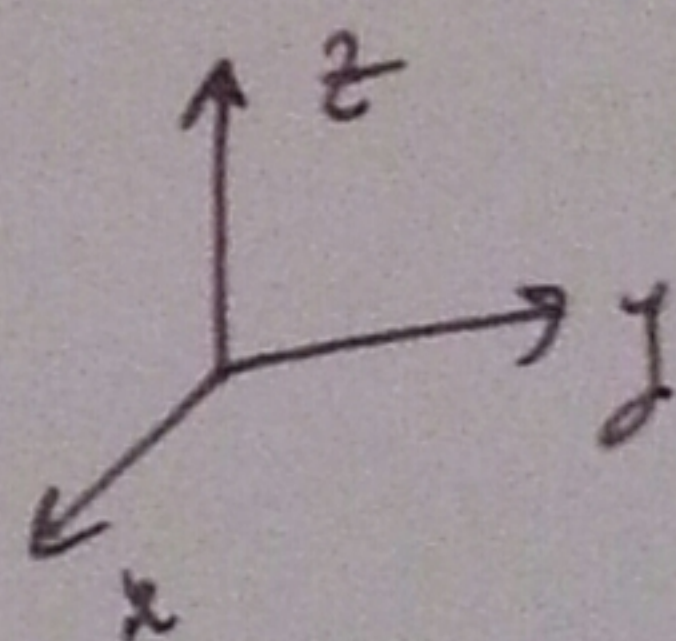
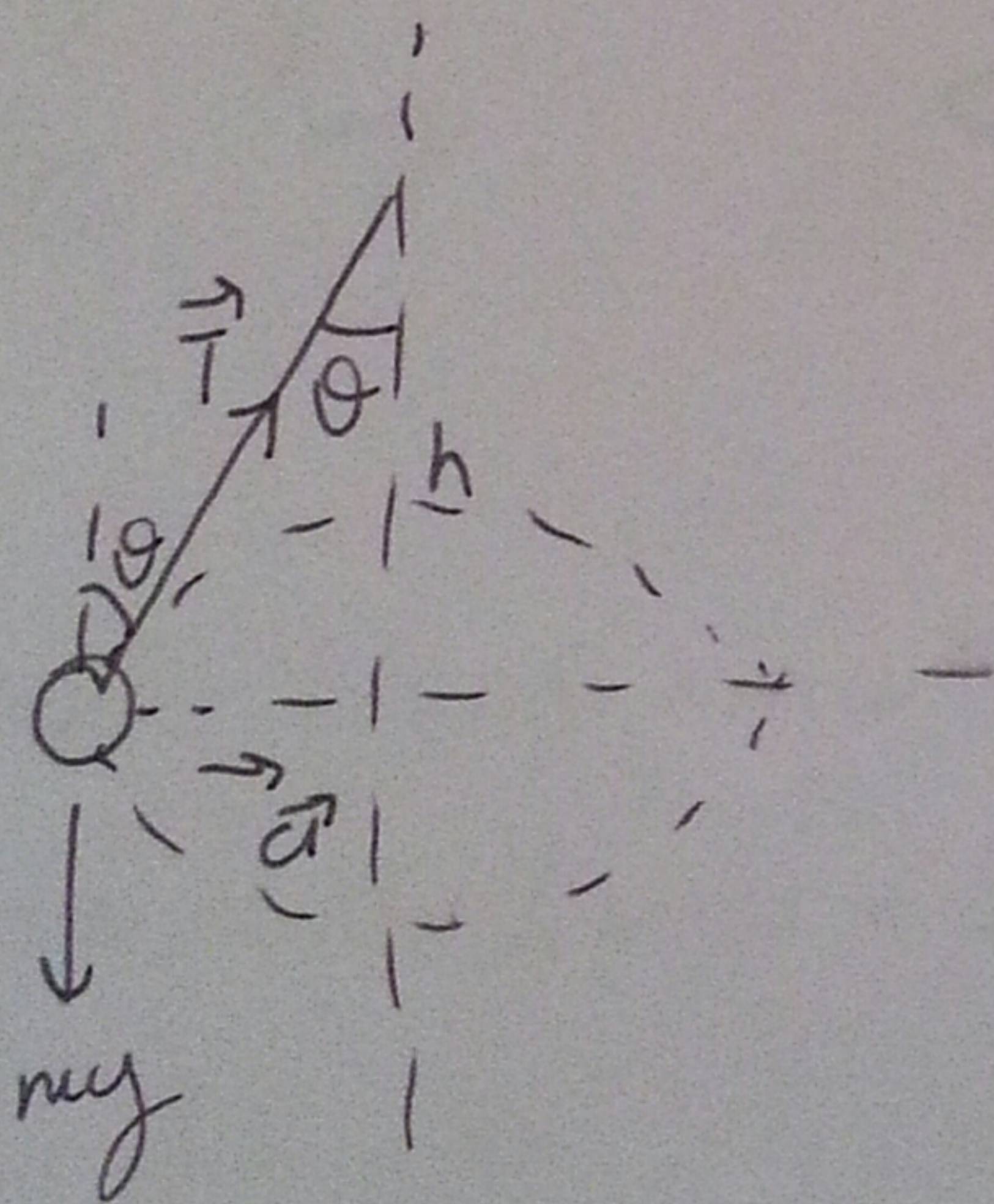
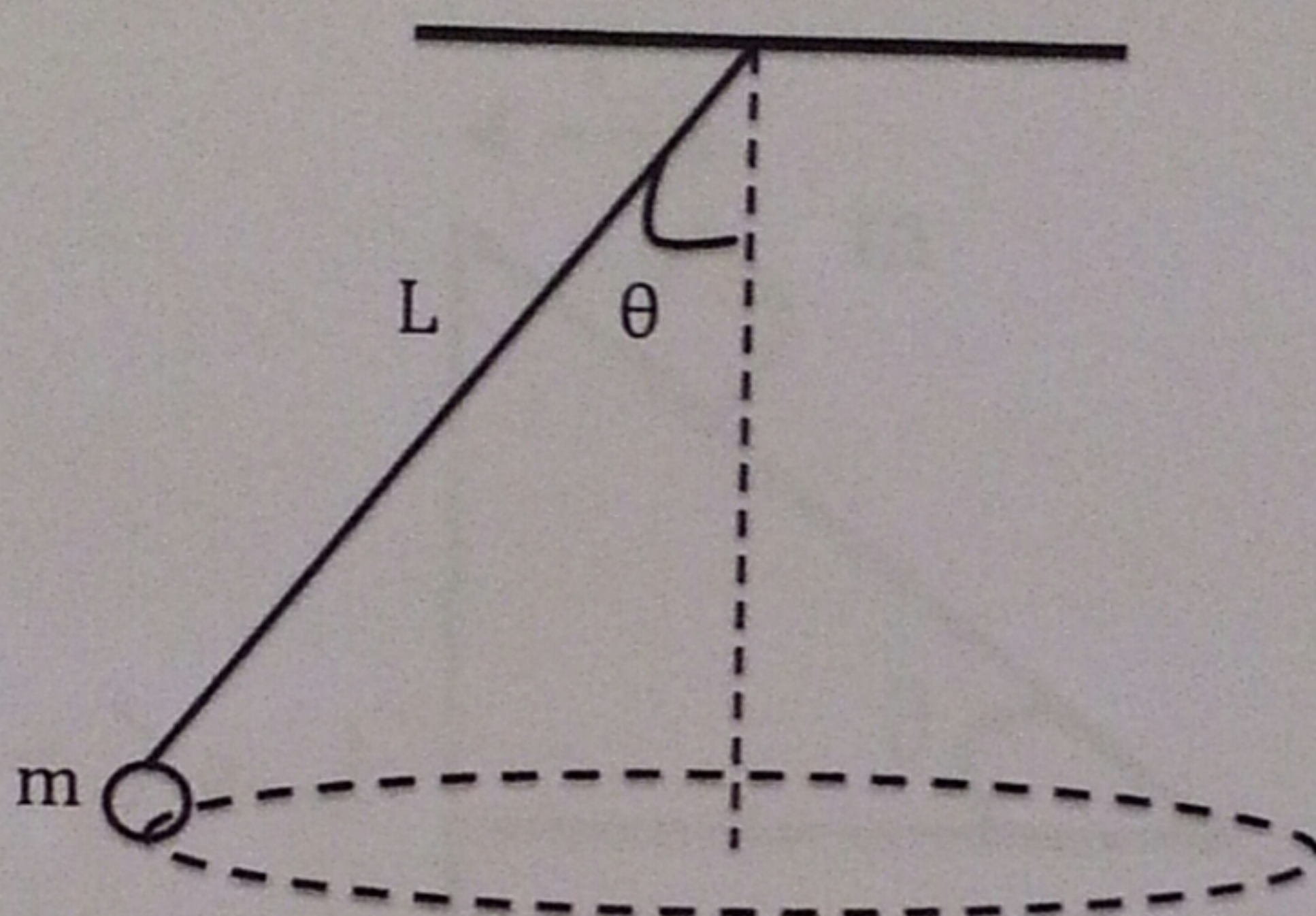
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A conical pendulum with a bob of mass m on a string of length L that makes an angle of θ with the vertical is shown in the figure. Calculate the period of the rotation of the bob in terms of L , θ and the gravitational acceleration g .



$$T \cos \theta - mg = 0 \Rightarrow T = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta}$$

$$T \sin \theta = m a$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \sqrt{g R \tan \theta} = \frac{2\pi R}{T} \omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega = \left[\frac{g}{R} \tan \theta \right]^{1/2}$$

$$T_x = (T \sin \theta) \cos \phi, \quad \phi = \omega t, \quad \tan \theta = \frac{R}{h} \Rightarrow \omega = \sqrt{\frac{g}{h}}$$

$; h = L \cos \theta$

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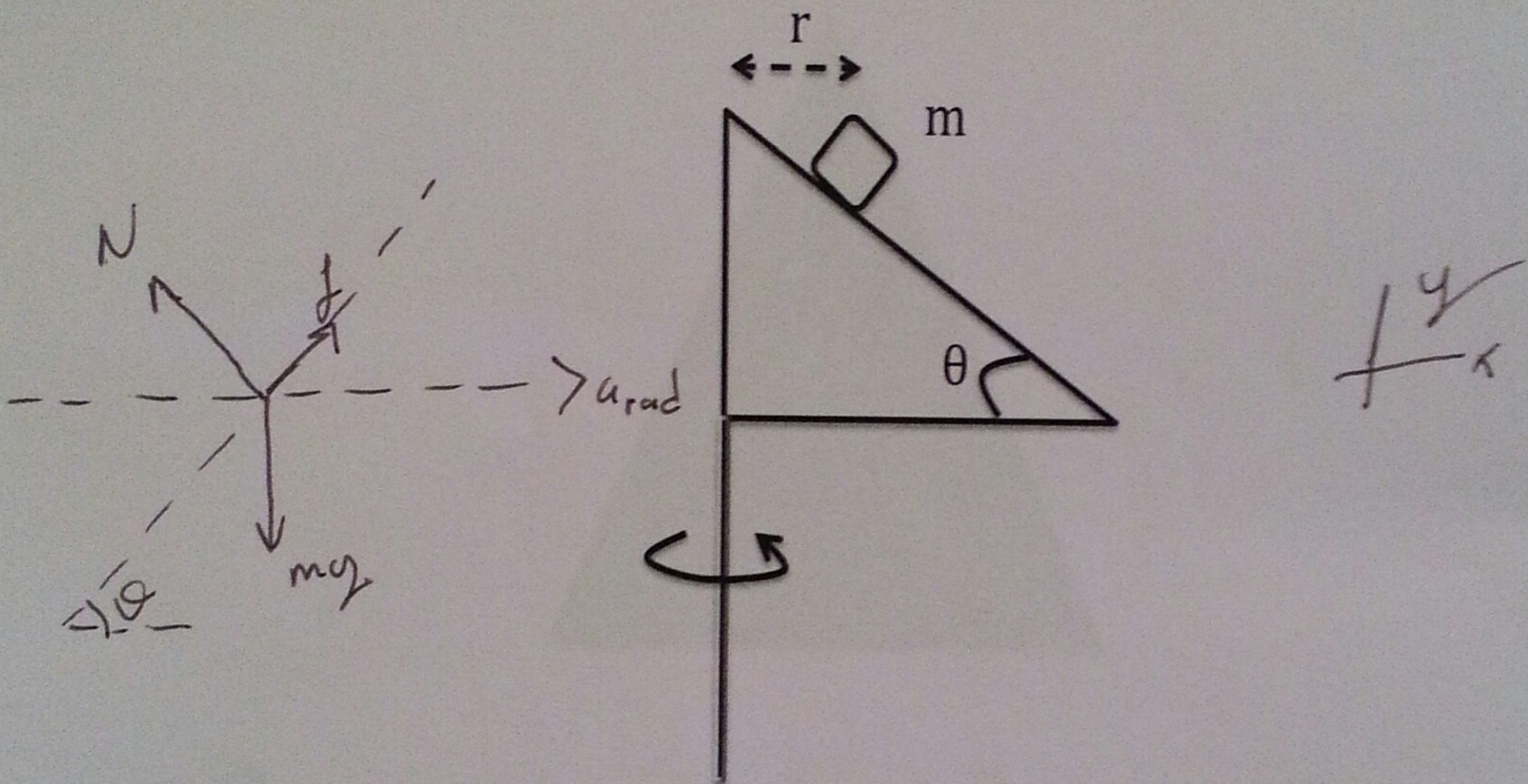
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A particle of mass m rotates, at a constant speed on a circle of radius r , on a wedge with static friction coefficient μ_s , firmly attached to a vertical rod rotating at a constant angular frequency ω . Find the condition on ω for which the particle remains at constant height.



$$\left. \begin{aligned} f \cos \theta - N \sin \theta &= m \omega^2 r \\ -m g + N \cos \theta + f \sin \theta &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} -f \cos \theta \sin \theta + N \sin^2 \theta &= -m \omega^2 r \sin \theta \\ N \cos^2 \theta + f \sin \theta \cos \theta &= m g \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$N = m g \cos \theta - m \omega^2 r \sin \theta$$

$$f \leq \mu_s N$$

$$\Rightarrow f \cos \theta = m g \cos \theta \sin \theta - m \omega^2 r \sin^2 \theta + m \omega^2 r$$

$$\Rightarrow f = m g \sin \theta + m \omega^2 r \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow g \sin \theta + \omega^2 r \cos \theta \leq \mu_s (g \cos \theta - \omega^2 r \sin \theta) \Rightarrow \omega^2 \leq \frac{g}{r} \frac{\mu_s \cos \theta - \sin \theta}{\mu_s \sin \theta + \cos \theta}$$

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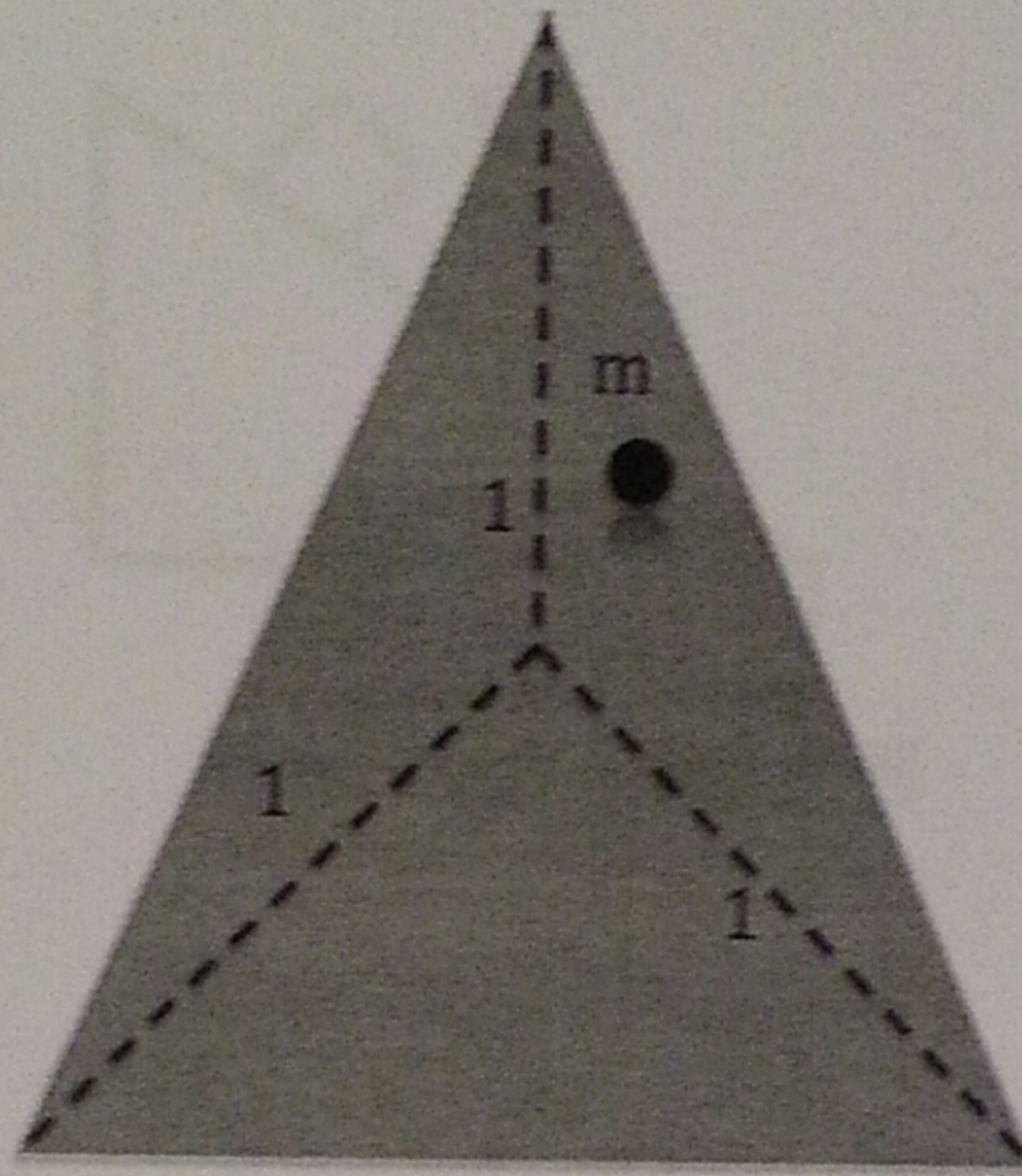
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A particle of mass m slides down on a frictionless triangular surface as shown in the figure. The surface is constructed by cutting a square block, of side lengths $d=1$ meters, diagonally from one upper corner to the opposing lower corners. Take gravitational acceleration $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$ and find the magnitude of the acceleration of the particle.



$$\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

$$\vec{N} + m\vec{g} = m\vec{a}$$

$$N\hat{N} + m(g_{\parallel}\hat{N} + g_{\perp}\hat{I}) = m\vec{a}$$

$$\underbrace{(N + mg_{\parallel})}_{0}\hat{N} + mg_{\perp}\hat{I} = m\vec{a}$$

$$\rightarrow a = g_{\perp}; \quad \vec{g}_{\perp} = \vec{g} - (\vec{g} \cdot \hat{N})\hat{N}$$