- 1. The density of a thin rod of length l varies with the distance x from one end as $\rho = \rho_0 x^2/l^2$. Find the position of the center of mass.
- 2. Find the center of mass of a thin uniform plate in the shape of an equilateral triangle with edges a.
- 3. Chloroform molecule has three Cl ions forming an equilateral triangle. The carbon atom is at the apex of the pyramid. C-Cl distance is 1.76 Å and each Cl - C - Cl angle is 109⁰. Hydrogen - Carbon distance is 1.1 Å. Find the CM relative to the carbon atom.
- 4. Determine the location of the center of mass of a uniform lamina occupying region between two concentric semicircles of radii 2 m and 1 m.
- 5. A system consists of two blocks of mass m_1 and m_2 connected by a massless spring with spring constant k and slides on a frictionless plane. The unstretched length of the spring is l. Initially m_2 is held so that the spring is compressed to l/2 and m_1 is forced against a stop, as shown. m_2 is released at t = 0. Find the motion of the center of mass of the system as a function of time.
- 6. A 60 Kg man is standing at the center of a barge of mass 240 Kg which is resting frictionlessly on still water. Initially the center is 20 m from the shore. The man walks up towards the shore with a constant speed of 1 m/s with respect to the barge. Calculate the speed with which he is approaching the shore.
- 7. A small block of mass m starts from rest and slides along a frictionless loop-the-loop as shown in figure. What should be the initial height z, so that m pushes against the top of the track (at a) with a force equal to its weight ?
- 8. A small cube of mass m slides down a circular path of radius R cut into large block of mass M, as shown in figure. M rests on a table, and both blocks move without friction. The blocks are initially at rest, and m starts from the top of the path. Find the velocity v of the cube as it leaves the block.
- 9. The track shown in figure is straight in the horizontal section AB and is a semicircle of radius R in the vertical part BCD. A particle of mass m is given a velocity of $\sqrt{22Rg/5}$ to the left along the track. The particle moves up the vertical section, and ultimately loses contact with it. How far from point B will the mass land?
- 10. A ring of mass m can slide over a smooth vertical rod as shown. The ring is connected to a spring of force constant k = 4mg/R, where 2R is the natural length of the spring. The other end of the spring is fixed to the ground at a horizontal distance 2R from the base of the rod. If the mass is released at a height of 1.5R,
 - (a) Calculate the work done by the spring.
 - (b) Using the work-energy theorem, calculate the velocity of the ring as it reaches the ground.

