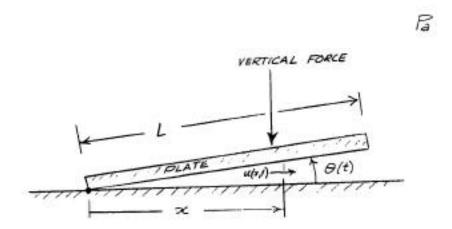
Problem 5.15

Hinged flat plate swung against wall



A flat plate is hinged at one side to s smooth floor, as shown, and held at a small angle θ_o (θ_o << 1) relative to the floor. The entire system is submerged in a liquid of constant density ρ . At t = 0, a vertical force is applied and adjusted continually so that the rate of decrease of the plate angle θ remains constant at a value ω :

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = -\omega .$$

Assuming that the flow is incompressible and inviscid, derive expressions for

(a) the horizontal velocity u(x,t) at point x and time t

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(b) the x-direction force $F_H(t)$ exerted by the hinge on the floor. Assume the plate has negligible inertia.

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