## CM Fall 07 B

A particle of mass m is constrained to slide without friction on the surface of a smooth circular bowl of mass M with inner radius R as shown in the figure. The bottom of the bowl lies on a horizontal table and is free to slide without friction along the table. All motion is constrained to the plane of the page. Assume uniform gravitational acceleration.



- (a) State the Lagrangian for this system.
- (b) Derive the differential equations of motion for the particle and the bowl. You do not have to solve these equations.
- (c) Determine the conserved quantities in this system and write equations describing these quantities.
- (d) Determine the angular frequency for small oscillations about the equilibrium position. Show that in the limit of  $M \gg m$ , the result is the same as that of a simple pendulum of length *R*.