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A slide wire of length L , mass m , and resistance R slides down a U-shaped metal track that is tilted upward at an angle θ . The track has zero resistance and no friction. A vertical magnetic field B fills the loop formed by the track and the slide wire.

- Find an expression for the induced current when the slide wire moves at speed v .
- Show that the slide wire reaches a terminal speed v_t , and find an expression for v_t .