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PHYSICS

9702/33

Paper 3 Advanced Practical Skills 1

May/June 2023

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INSTRUCTIONS

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- 1** In this experiment, you will investigate the motion of a pendulum.

You have been provided with a cylinder and a pendulum.

- (a)** • Use adhesive putty to attach the string to the cylinder as shown in Fig. 1.1.

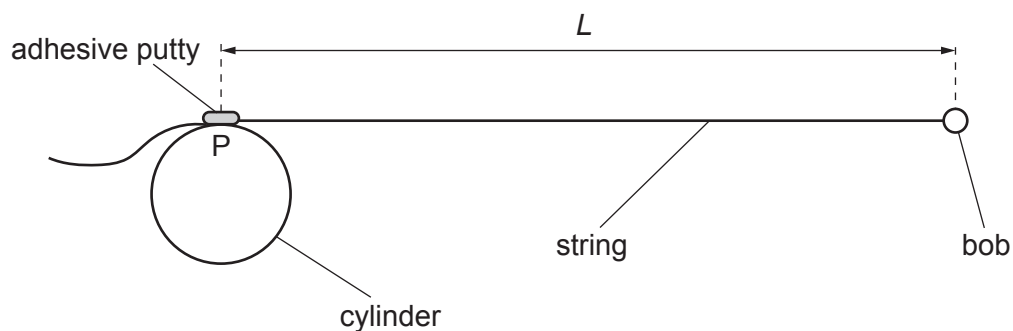


Fig. 1.1

- P is the point at which the string is attached to the cylinder.

The distance between P and the centre of the bob is L .

Adjust the adhesive putty and string so that L is approximately 45 cm.

- Measure and record L .

$L = \dots\dots\dots$ [1]

- (b) • Set up the apparatus as shown in Fig. 1.2.

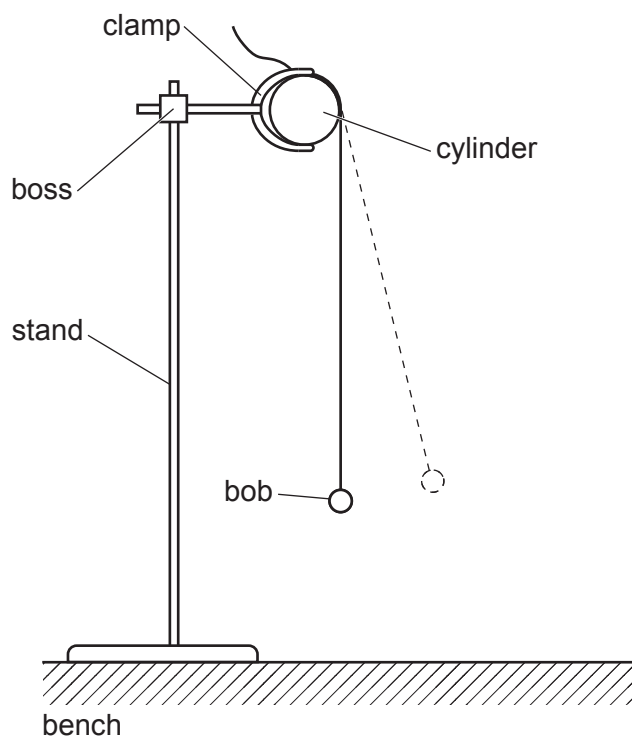


Fig. 1.2

- Move the bob a short distance **away** from the stand, as shown in Fig. 1.2.
- Release the bob. The bob will oscillate.
- Determine the period T of the oscillations of the bob.

$T =$ [2]

- (c) Change L by attaching a different point on the string to the cylinder and determine T . Repeat until you have six sets of values of L and T .

Record your results in a table. Include values of T^3 and L^2 in your table.

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- (d) (i) Plot a graph of T^3 on the y -axis against L^2 on the x -axis.

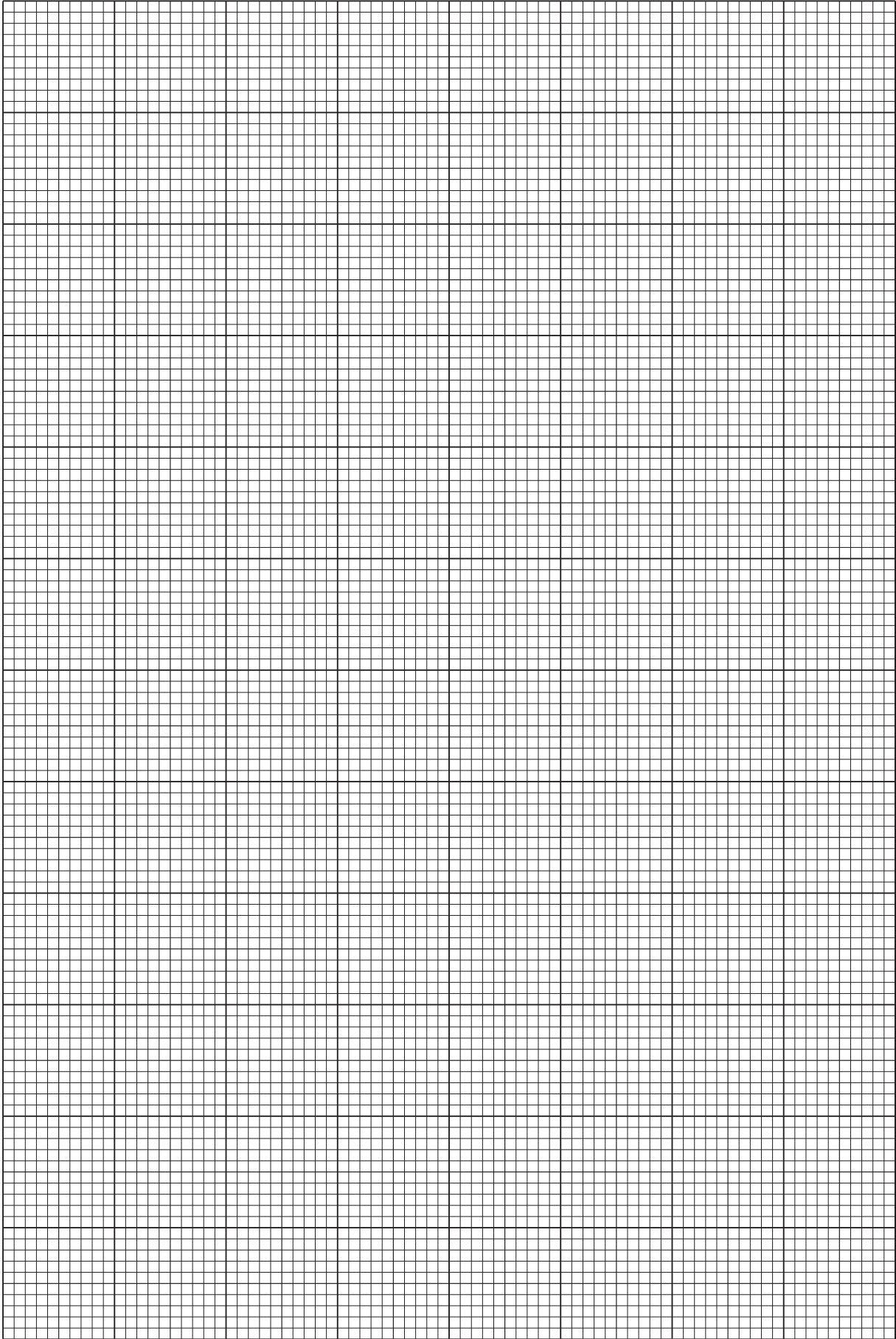
[3]
- (ii) Draw the straight line of best fit.

[1]
- (iii) Determine the gradient and y -intercept of this line.

gradient =

y -intercept =

[2]



- (e) It is suggested that the quantities T and L are related by the equation

$$T^3 = EL^2 + F$$

where E and F are constants.

Using your answers in **(d)(iii)**, determine the values of E and F .
Give appropriate units.

$E =$

$F =$

[2]

[Total: 20]

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- 2** In this experiment, you will investigate the equilibrium of a card.

You have been provided with a card.

- (a)** The card has one edge of length h and another edge of length x , as shown in Fig. 2.1.

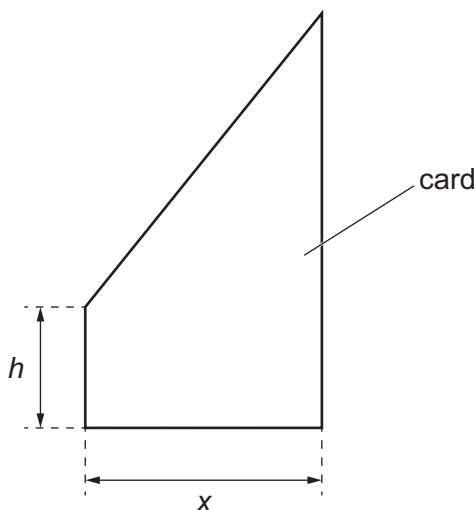


Fig. 2.1

- (i)** Measure and record h and x .

$h =$ cm

$x =$ cm
[1]

- (ii)** Calculate the area A of the card, where

$$A = hx + \frac{5x^2}{8}.$$

$A =$ cm² [1]

- (iii)** Justify the number of significant figures that you have given for your value of A .

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- (b) (i) • Use the nail to make a hole close to one corner of the card, as shown in Fig. 2.2.

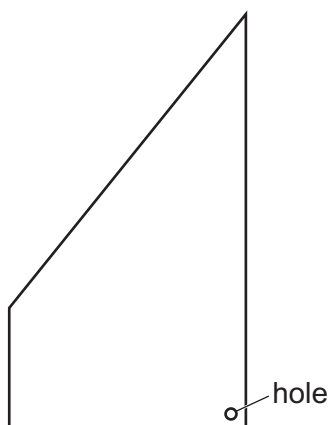


Fig. 2.2

- Set up the apparatus as shown in Fig. 2.3.

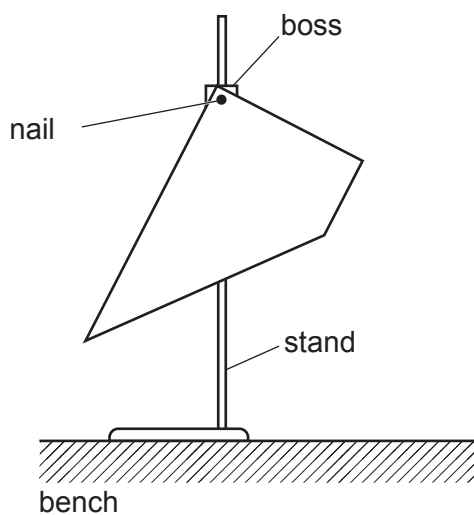


Fig. 2.3

- Push the nail through the hole in the card.
- Fix the nail in the boss.
- Ensure that the card swings freely from the nail.
- Use the set square and the ruler to draw a vertical line on the card below the nail.
- Repeat using **two** more holes close to two other corners of the card.

- Fig. 2.4 shows an example of the card with three lines drawn on it.

The three lines cross at distances c and d from the two edges of the card shown in Fig. 2.4.

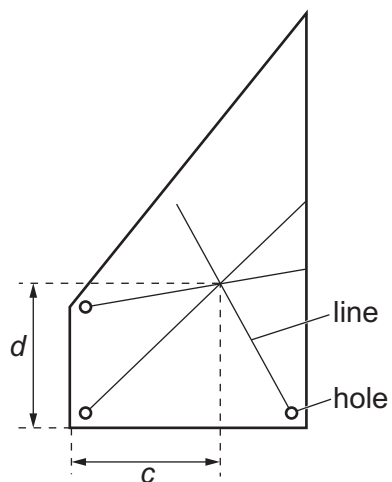


Fig. 2.4

Measure and record c and d .

$c =$ cm

$d =$ cm
[2]

- (ii) Estimate the percentage uncertainty in your value of c . Show your working.

percentage uncertainty = % [1]

- (c) (i) • Cut the card as shown in Fig. 2.5 so that x is approximately 9 cm.

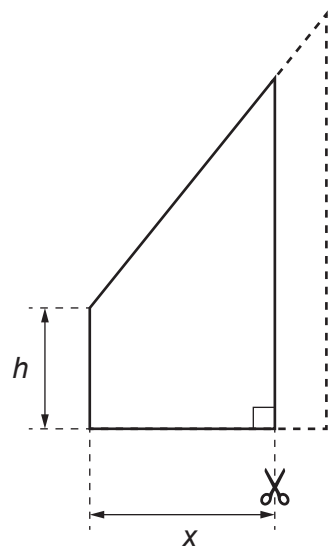


Fig. 2.5

- Measure and record x .

$x =$ cm [1]

- (ii) Repeat (a)(ii) and (b)(i).

$A =$ cm²

$c =$ cm

$d =$ cm
[3]

- (d) It is suggested that the relationship between c , A , h and x is

$$cA = \frac{hx^2}{2} + kx^3$$

where k is a constant.

Using your data, calculate two values of k .

first value of k =

second value of k =

[1]

- (e) It is suggested that the percentage uncertainty in the values of k is 5%.

Using this uncertainty, explain whether your results support the relationship in (d).

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(f) (i) Describe **four** sources of uncertainty or limitations of the procedure for this experiment.

For any uncertainties in measurement that you describe, you should state the quantity being measured and a reason for the uncertainty.

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(ii) Describe **four** improvements that could be made to this experiment. You may suggest the use of other apparatus or different procedures.

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Paper 3 Advanced Practical Skills 2

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- 1 In this experiment, you will investigate the oscillations of a pendulum.
- (a) • Assemble the apparatus as shown in Fig. 1.1 with the nail held securely in the cork. Check that the wooden rod can swing freely.

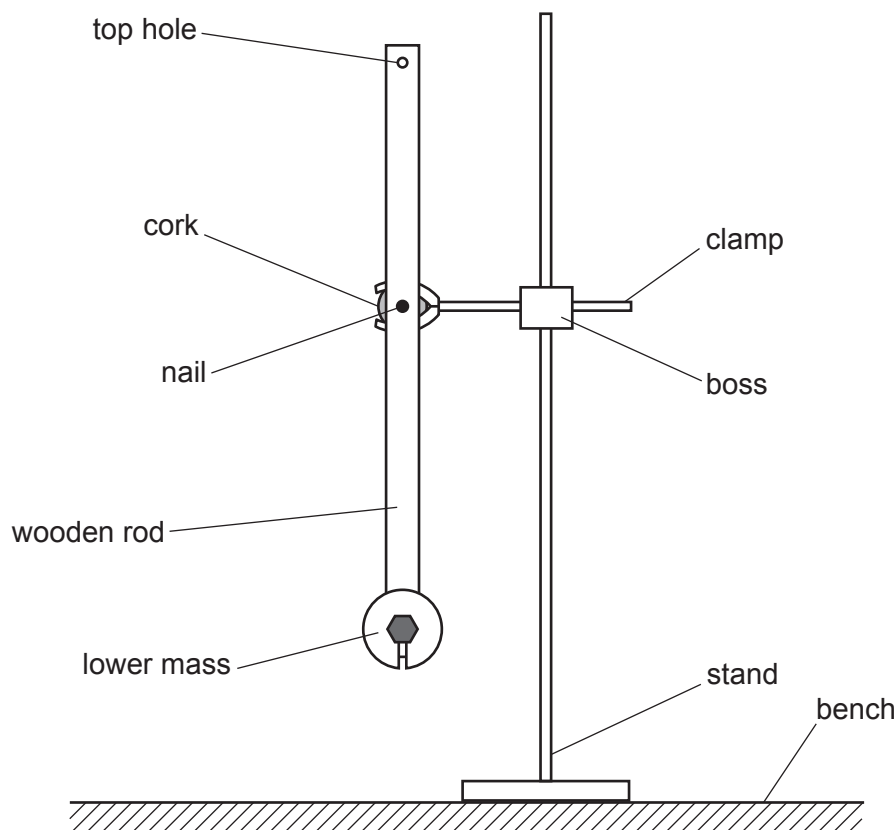


Fig. 1.1

- You have been provided with one 50 g and four 10 g slotted masses. Use the bolt and nut to attach some of the 10 g slotted masses to the top hole.
- Record the total mass M of the slotted masses that are attached to the top hole.

$M = \dots\dots\dots$

- Push the bottom of the wooden rod a small distance to one side.
- Release the wooden rod so that it oscillates.
- Take measurements to determine the period T of the oscillations.

$T = \dots\dots\dots$

[3]

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- (b) Change M and determine T . Repeat until you have six sets of values of M and T . Do **not** change the lower mass.

Record your results in a table. Include values of M^2 and T^2 in your table.

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- (c) (i) Plot a graph of T^2 on the y -axis against M^2 on the x -axis.

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- (ii) Draw the straight line of best fit.

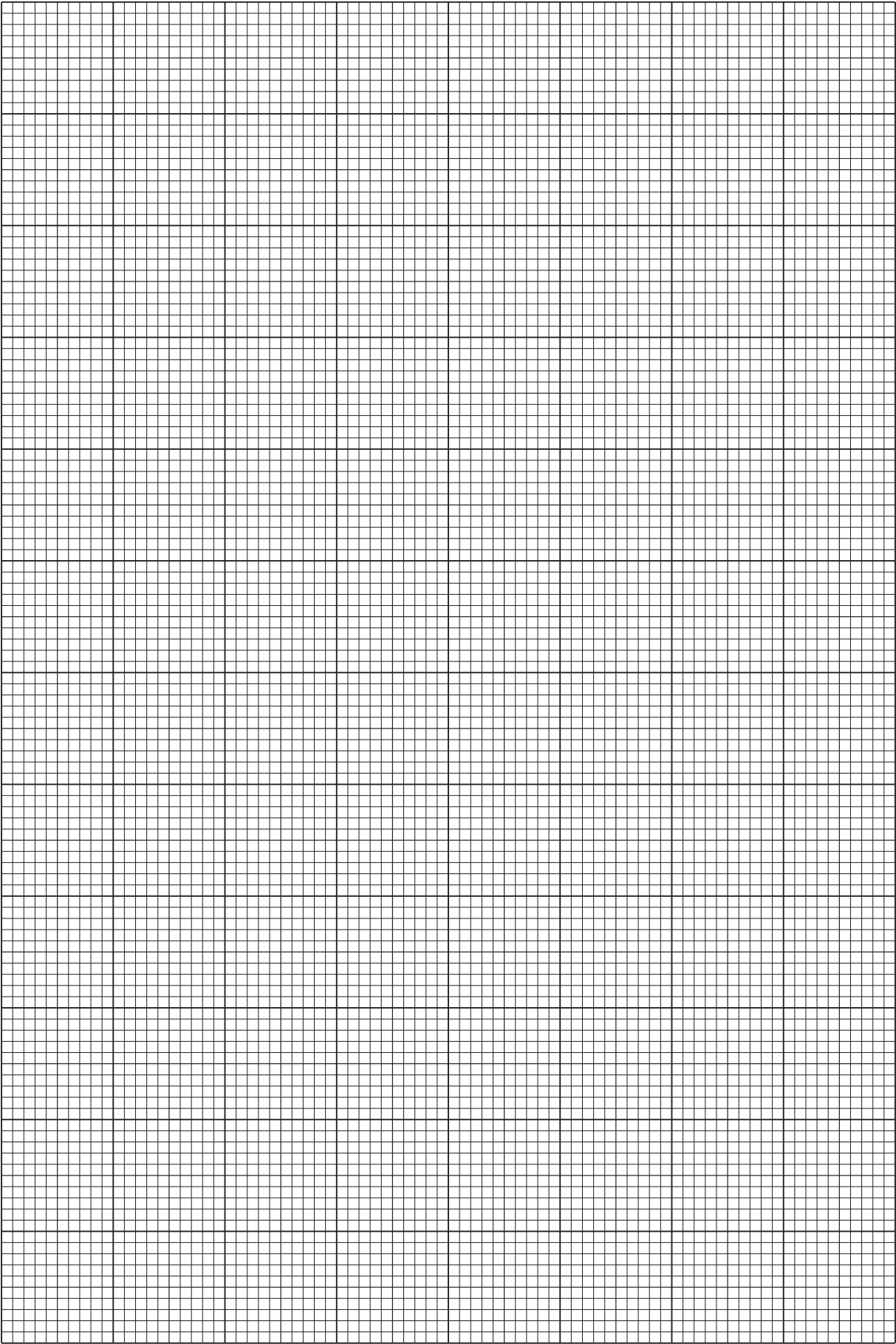
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- (iii) Determine the gradient and y -intercept of this line.

gradient =

y -intercept =

[2]



(d) It is suggested that the quantities T and M are related by the equation

$$T^2 = aM^2 + b$$

where a and b are constants.

Using your answers in (c)(iii), determine the values of a and b .
Give appropriate units.

$a =$

$b =$

[2]

[Total: 20]

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2 In this experiment, you will investigate the thermal expansion of plastic.

(a) You have been provided with two plastic pipes. Each pipe has a string loop attached at each end, as shown in Fig. 2.1.

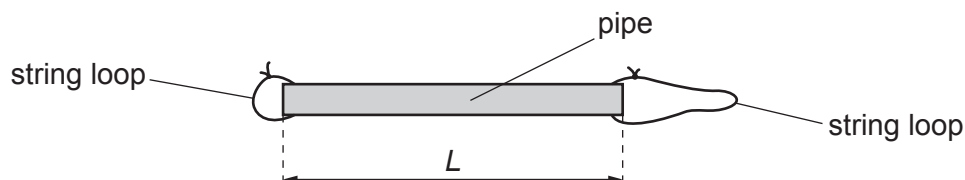


Fig. 2.1

- Measure and record the length L of the **longer** pipe, as shown in Fig. 2.1.

$L =$

- Place the thermometer on the bench. Record the room temperature T_0 .

$T_0 =$

[2]

(b) (i) You have been provided with a wooden rod supported by a pin.

- Using the longer pipe, assemble the apparatus as shown in Fig. 2.2.

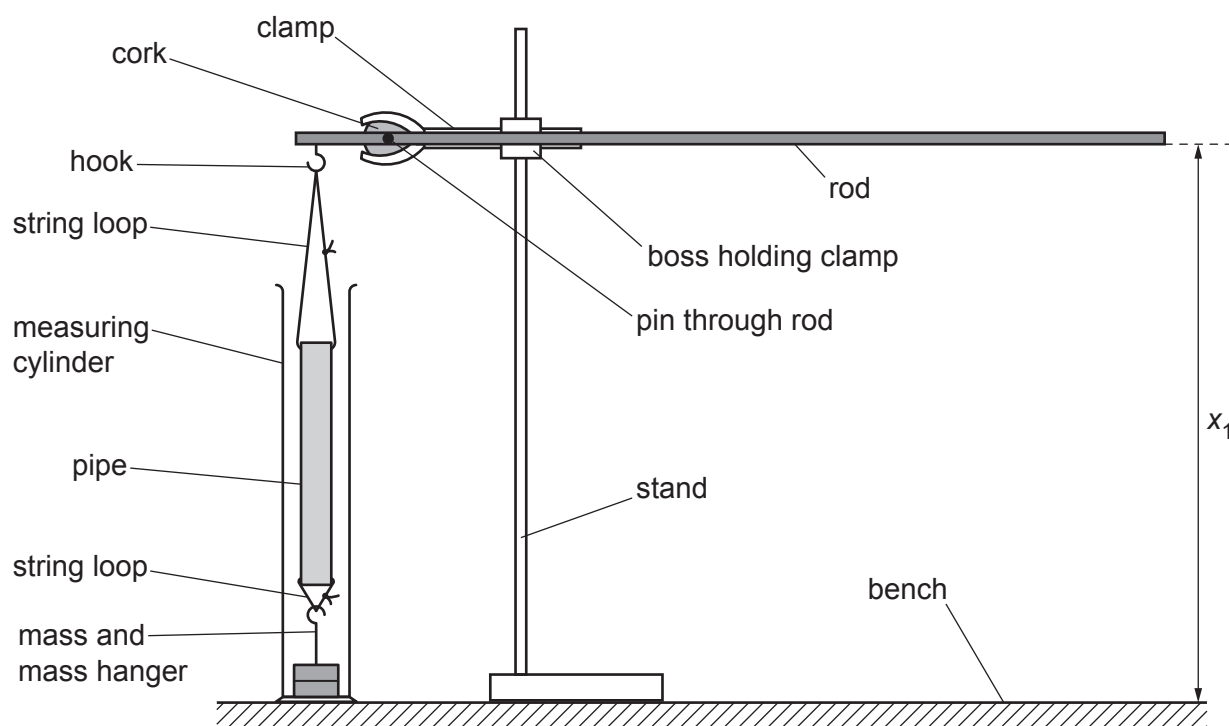


Fig. 2.2

- Adjust the apparatus so that the rod is parallel to the bench and the mass hanger rests on the bottom of the measuring cylinder.
- Measure and record the height x_1 of the end of the rod above the bench, as shown in Fig. 2.2.

$$x_1 = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (ii)
- Slowly pour boiling water into the measuring cylinder until it covers the pipe.
 - Place the thermometer in the water. Record the temperature T .

$$T = \dots\dots\dots$$

- Remove the thermometer from the water.
- The expansion of the pipe causes the end of the rod to move down. Measure the new height x_2 of the end of the rod above the bench.

$$x_2 = \dots\dots\dots$$

- Carefully remove the pipe and mass hanger (the masses will be very hot) and pour the hot water into the sink.

[2]

- (iii) Calculate $(x_1 - x_2)$.

$$(x_1 - x_2) = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (iv) Estimate the percentage uncertainty in your value of $(x_1 - x_2)$. Show your working.

$$\text{percentage uncertainty} = \dots\dots\dots \% [1]$$

- (c) • Measure and record the length L of the **shorter** pipe.

$$L = \dots\dots\dots$$

- Repeat (b)(i), (b)(ii) and (b)(iii) using the shorter pipe.

$$x_1 = \dots\dots\dots$$

$$T = \dots\dots\dots$$

$$x_2 = \dots\dots\dots$$

$$(x_1 - x_2) = \dots\dots\dots$$

[2]

- (d) It is suggested that the relationship between x_1 , x_2 , L , T and T_0 is

$$k(x_1 - x_2) = L(T - T_0)$$

where k is a constant.

- (i) Using your data, calculate two values of k .

first value of k =

second value of k =

[1]

- (ii) Justify the number of significant figures that you have given for your values of k .

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 [1]

- (e) It is suggested that the percentage uncertainty in the values of k is 20%.

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You have been provided with a metre rule with a wire attached.

- (a)** • Set up the circuit shown in Fig. 1.1.

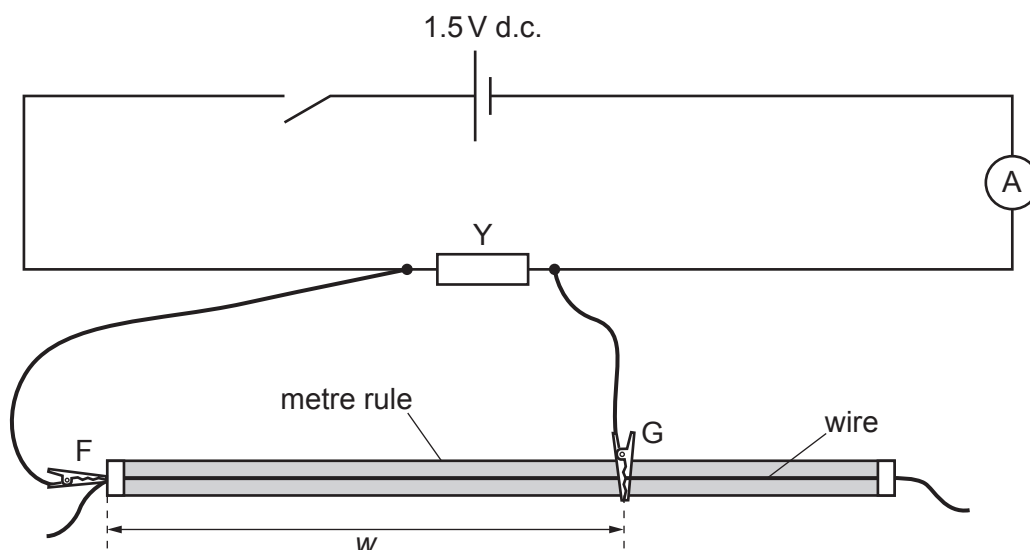


Fig. 1.1

- F and G are crocodile clips.

The distance between F and G is w . Attach G to the wire so that w is approximately 70 cm.

- Close the switch.
- Record the value of w and the ammeter reading I_1 .

$w =$

$I_1 =$

- Open the switch.

[1]

- (b)
- Keep F and G in the **same** positions so that the value of w remains the **same**.
 - Change some of the connecting leads to set up the circuit shown in Fig. 1.2.

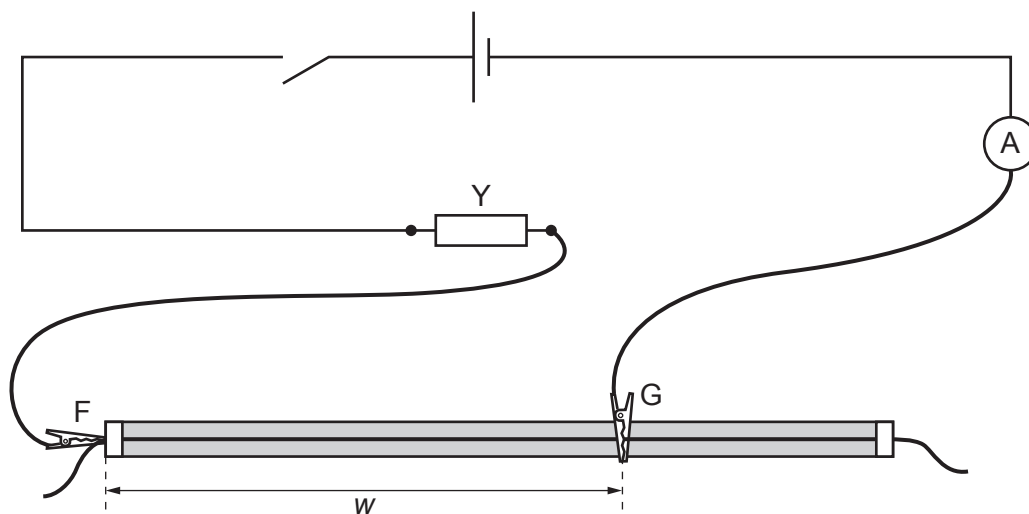


Fig. 1.2

- Close the switch.
- Record the ammeter reading I_2 .

$I_2 = \dots\dots\dots$

- Open the switch.
- Calculate $I_1 I_2$.

$I_1 I_2 = \dots\dots\dots$ [1]

- (c) Using values of w greater than 55 cm, change w by placing G at different positions on the wire and record I_1 and I_2 .

Repeat until you have six sets of readings of w , I_1 and I_2 . Include your values from (a) and (b).

Record your results in a table. Include values of I_1I_2 and $\frac{1}{w}$ in your table.

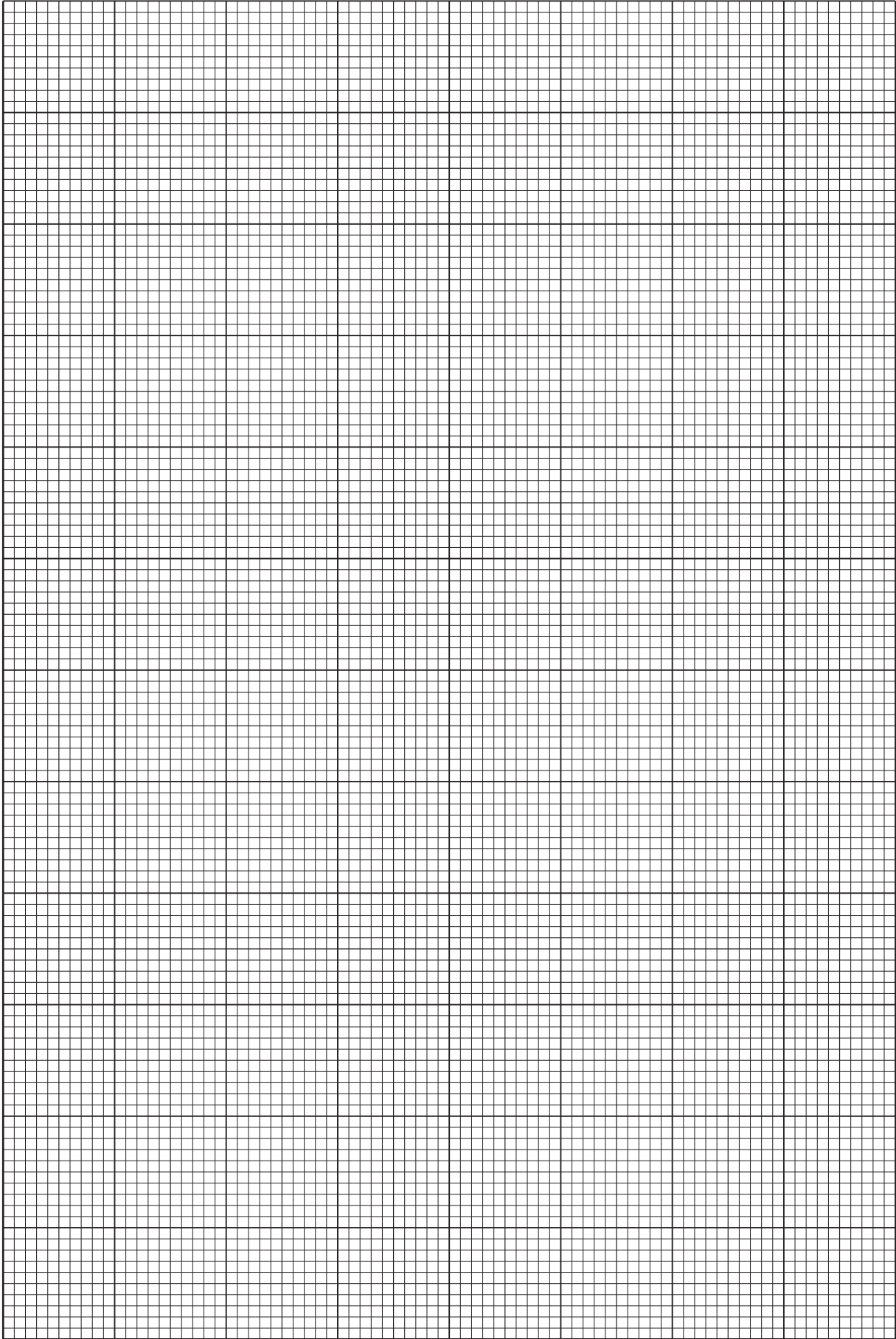
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- (d) (i) Plot a graph of I_1I_2 on the y -axis against $\frac{1}{w}$ on the x -axis. [3]
- (ii) Draw the straight line of best fit. [1]
- (iii) Determine the gradient and y -intercept of this line.

gradient =

y -intercept =

[2]



- (e) It is suggested that the quantities I_1 , I_2 and w are related by the equation

$$I_1 I_2 = \frac{P}{w} + Q$$

where P and Q are constants.

Using your answers in (d)(iii), determine values for P and Q .
Give appropriate units.

$P =$

$Q =$

[2]

[Total: 20]

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- 2** In this experiment, you will investigate the oscillations of a pendulum.

You have been provided with two cylinders A and B.

- (a) (i)** The diameter of cylinder A is D , as shown in Fig. 2.1.

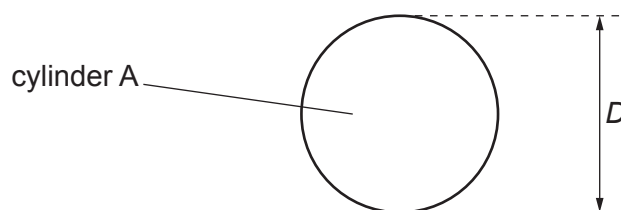


Fig. 2.1

Measure and record D .

$D =$ [1]

- (ii)** Estimate the percentage uncertainty in your value of D . Show your working.

percentage uncertainty = % [1]

- (b) • Set up the pendulum as shown in Fig. 2.2.

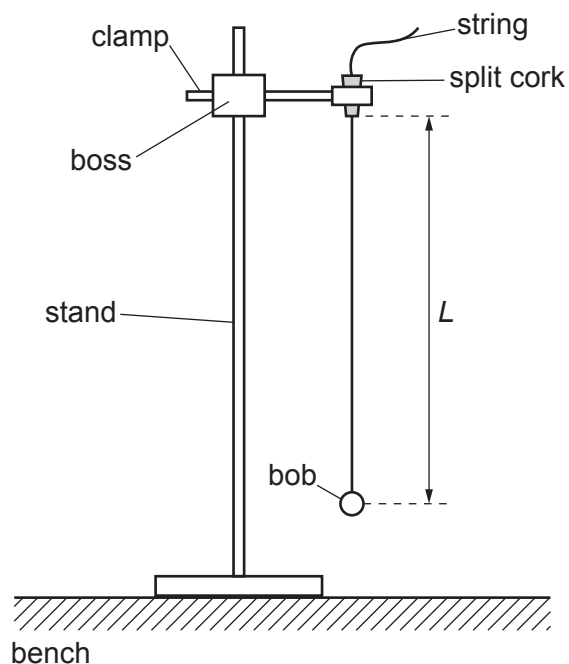


Fig. 2.2

- The distance between the bottom of the split cork and the centre of the bob is L .

Adjust the position of the string in the split cork until the value of L is approximately 50 cm.

- Measure and record L .

$L = \dots\dots\dots$

- Move the bob through a short distance.
- Release the bob. The bob will oscillate.
- Determine the period T_1 of the oscillations of the bob.

$T_1 = \dots\dots\dots$ [2]

- (c) (i) • Use adhesive putty to attach the string to cylinder A as shown in Fig. 2.3.

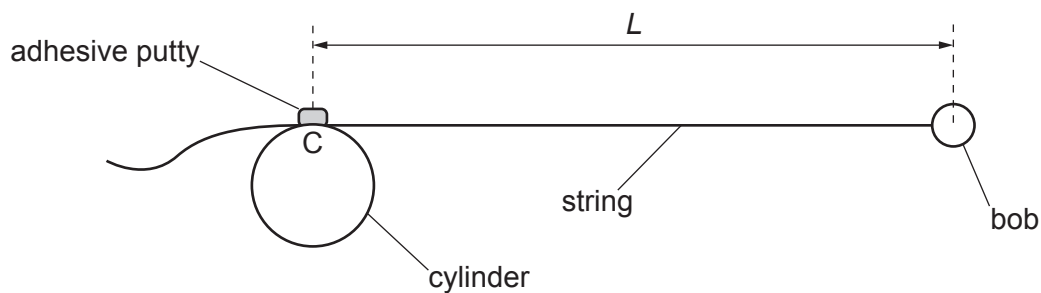


Fig. 2.3

- C is the point at which the string is attached to the cylinder.

Adjust the position of the adhesive putty until the distance between C and the centre of the bob is equal to your value of L from (b).

- Set up the apparatus as shown in Fig. 2.4.

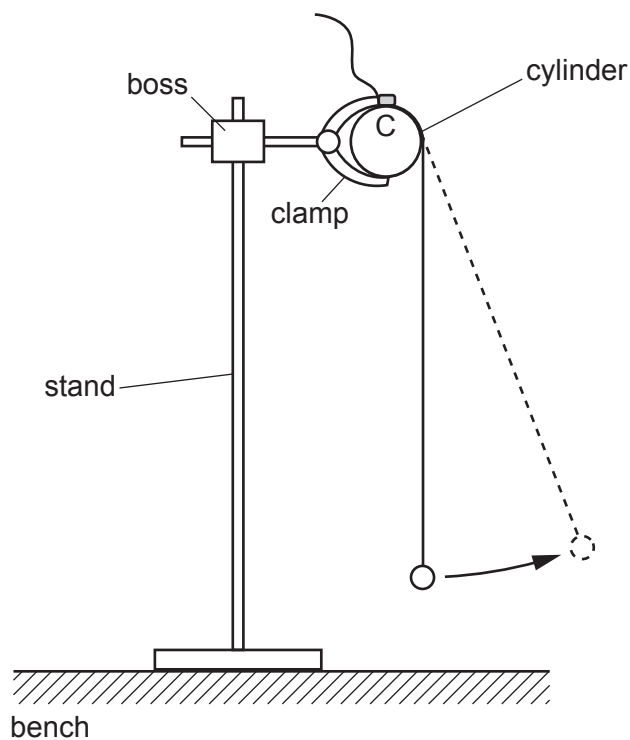


Fig. 2.4

- Move the bob a short distance **away** from the stand, as shown in Fig. 2.4.
- Release the bob. The bob will oscillate.
- Determine the period T_2 of the oscillations of the bob.

$$T_2 = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

(ii) Calculate $(T_1 - T_2)$.

$$(T_1 - T_2) = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

(d) Using cylinder B and a value of L of approximately 40 cm, repeat (a)(i), (b) and (c).

$$D = \dots\dots\dots$$

$$L = \dots\dots\dots$$

$$T_1 = \dots\dots\dots$$

$$T_2 = \dots\dots\dots$$

$$(T_1 - T_2) = \dots\dots\dots [3]$$

- (e) It is suggested that the relationship between T_1 , T_2 , D and L is

$$(T_1 - T_2) = \frac{kD}{L}$$

where k is a constant.

- (i) Using your data, calculate two values of k .

first value of k =

second value of k =

[1]

- (ii) Justify the number of significant figures that you have given for your values of k .

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- (f) It is suggested that the percentage uncertainty in the values of k is 10%.

Using this uncertainty, explain whether your results support the relationship in (e).

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- (g) (i) Describe **four** sources of uncertainty or limitations of the procedure for this experiment.

For any uncertainties in measurement that you describe, you should state the quantity being measured and a reason for the uncertainty.

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- (ii) Describe **four** improvements that could be made to this experiment. You may suggest the use of other apparatus or different procedures.

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