

5 Diagram 1 shows a wooden plank balanced horizontally on two supports, A and B.

A block is suspended from the plank between the supports by a cable of negligible weight.

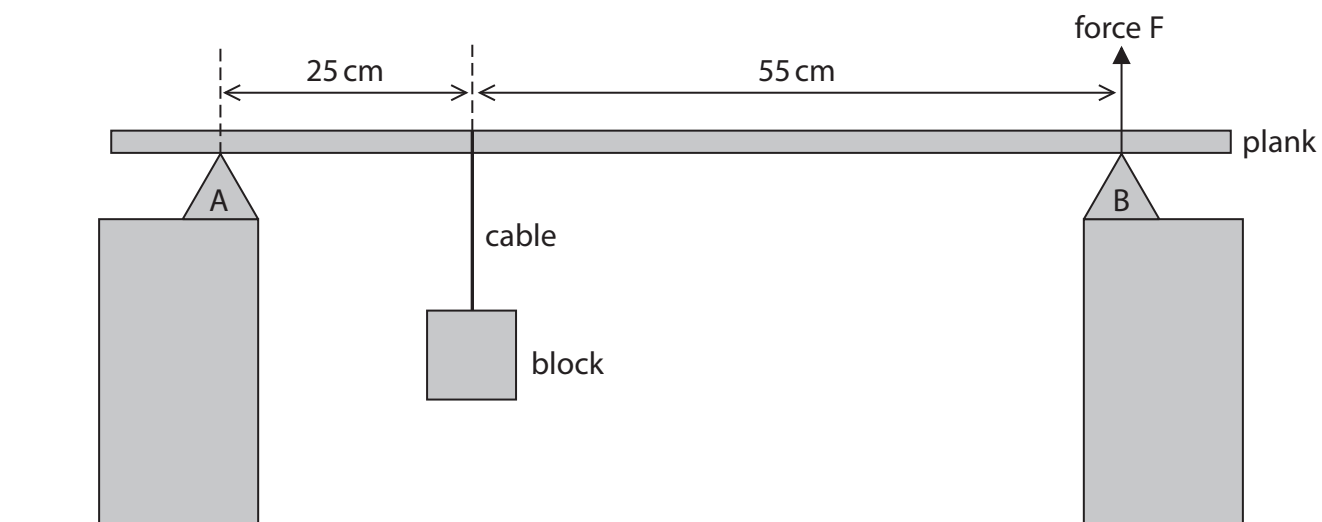


Diagram 1

(a) The weight of the block is 260 N.

- (i) State the formula linking moment, force and perpendicular distance from the pivot.

(1)

- (ii) By taking moments about support A, calculate force F.

Assume the weight of the plank is negligible.

(3)

force F = ..... N



(iii) Explain what will happen to the magnitude of force  $F$  if the block is moved towards support B.

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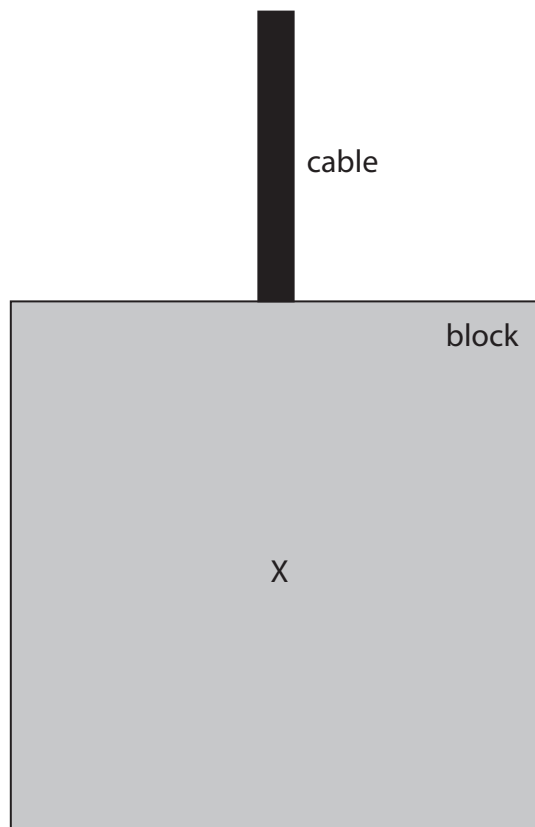


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(b) Diagram 2 shows the block and the cable connecting the block to the plank.



**Diagram 2**

- (i) The centre of gravity of the block is located at point X.

Draw an arrow on diagram 2 to show the weight of the block.

(2)



- (ii) The block also experiences a force due to the tension in the cable.

Explain why the block remains stationary when it is supported by this tension force.

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- (iii) Explain why the forces acting on the block are **not** an example of Newton's third law of motion.

(2)

(Total for Question 5 = 13 marks)

