

5 (a) State what is meant by

- (i) the *frequency* of a progressive wave,

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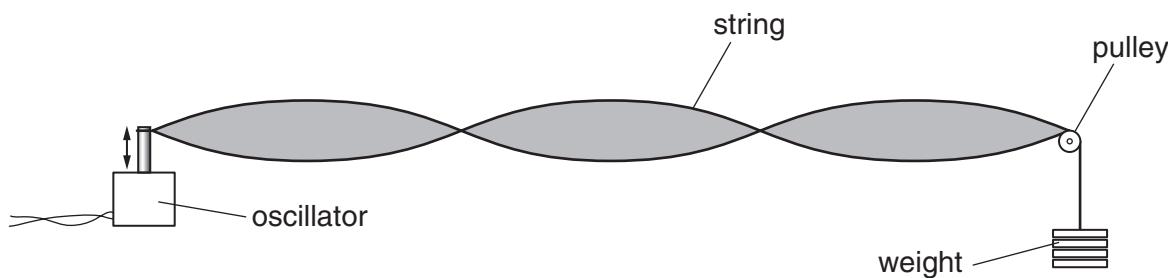
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- (ii) the *speed* of a progressive wave.

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- (b) One end of a long string is attached to an oscillator. The string passes over a frictionless pulley and is kept taut by means of a weight, as shown in Fig. 5.1.



**Fig. 5.1**

The frequency of oscillation is varied and, at one value of frequency, the wave formed on the string is as shown in Fig. 5.1.

- (i) Explain why the wave is said to be a *stationary wave*.

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- (ii) State what is meant by an *antinode*.

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- (iii) On Fig. 5.1, label the antinodes with the letter A.

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- (c) A weight of 4.00 N is hung from the string in (b) and the frequency of oscillation is adjusted until a stationary wave is formed on the string. The separation of the antinodes on the string is 17.8 cm for a frequency of 125 Hz.

The speed  $v$  of waves on a string is given by the expression

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{T}{m}} ,$$

where  $T$  is the tension in the string and  $m$  is its mass per unit length.

Determine the mass per unit length of the string.

mass per unit length = .....  $\text{kg m}^{-1}$  [5]