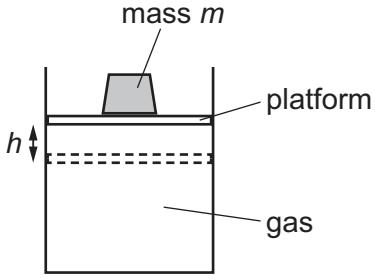


- 15 A mass  $m$  is on top of a platform that is supported by gas in a cylinder of cross-sectional area  $A$ , as shown.



The platform has negligible mass and can move freely up and down.

The gas is heated and expands so that the mass is raised through a height  $h$ . Atmospheric pressure is  $p$ .

What is the ratio  $\frac{\text{gain in gravitational potential energy of the mass}}{\text{work done by the gas}}$ ?

A  $\frac{mg}{pA}$

B  $\frac{mg}{mg + pA}$

C  $\frac{pA}{mg}$

D  $\frac{mg - pA}{mg}$