

- 2 (a) Fig. 2.1 shows a helicopter of mass 4.98×10^3 kg and carrying a load of 4.0×10^3 kg. It is accelerating vertically upwards at 0.32 m s^{-2} .

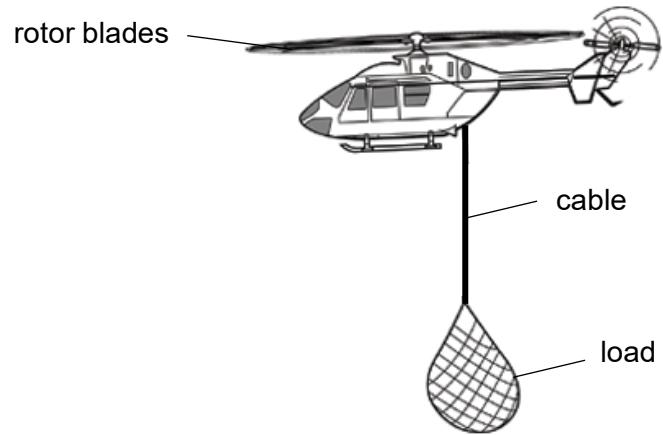


Fig. 2.1

- (i) Determine the tension in the cable.

tension = N [2]

- (ii) The rotor blades generate a total thrust of 9.1×10^4 N by imparting a downward velocity v to the air. The length of each rotor blade is 10 m and the density of air is 1.3 kg m^{-3} .

1. Show that the mass of air per unit time passing through the rotor is $410v \text{ kg s}^{-1}$, where v is in m s^{-1} .

[2]

2. Calculate the value of v .

$$v = \dots \text{ m s}^{-1} \quad [2]$$

- (b) The helicopter and its load are now travelling horizontally with a constant acceleration. Fig. 2.2 shows the cable making an angle of 65° to the vertical. The air resistance acting on the load is $6.0 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$.

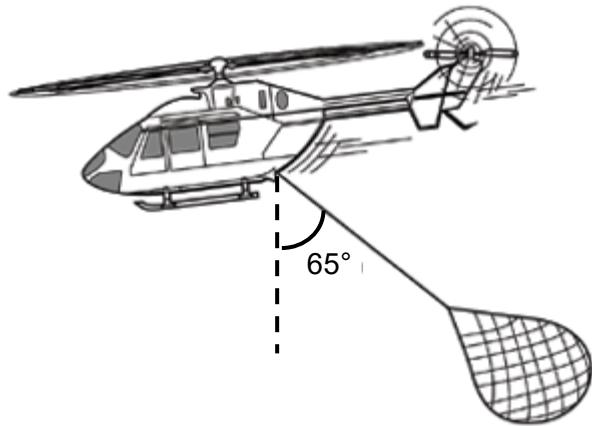


Fig. 2.2

Calculate the magnitude of the acceleration of the helicopter.

$$\text{acceleration} = \dots \text{ m s}^{-2} \quad [2]$$