

- 2 A metal block, of 15 cm height, was partially submerged in water of density $1.0 \times 10^3 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$. The block has a uniform density, ρ , and a uniform cross-sectional area, A . The block is held up by an inelastic cord tied to a mass hanger, through two frictionless pulleys, as shown in Fig. 2.1.

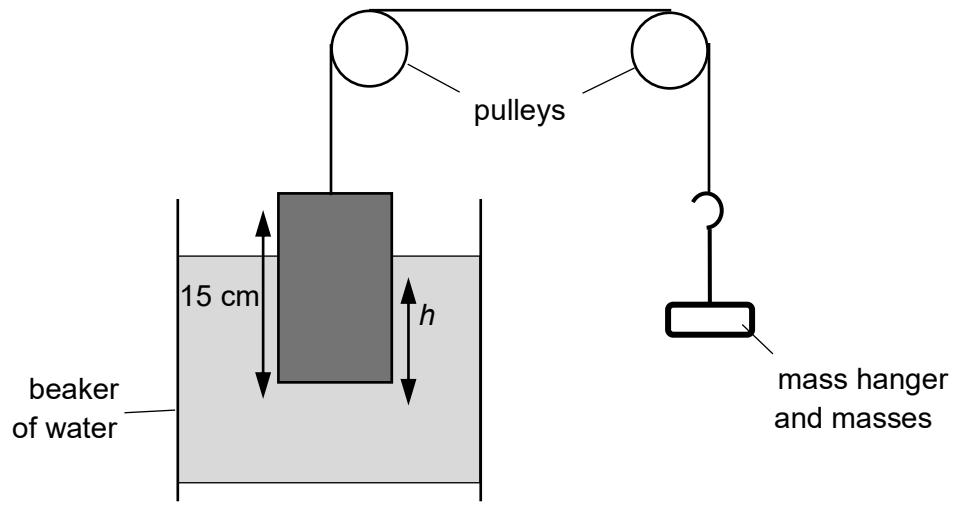


Fig. 2.1

Different quantities of masses were added to the mass hanger and the corresponding submerged height, h , of the block was measured.

The variation of total mass m of mass hanger and masses added, with the submerged height, h , is shown in Fig. 2.2.

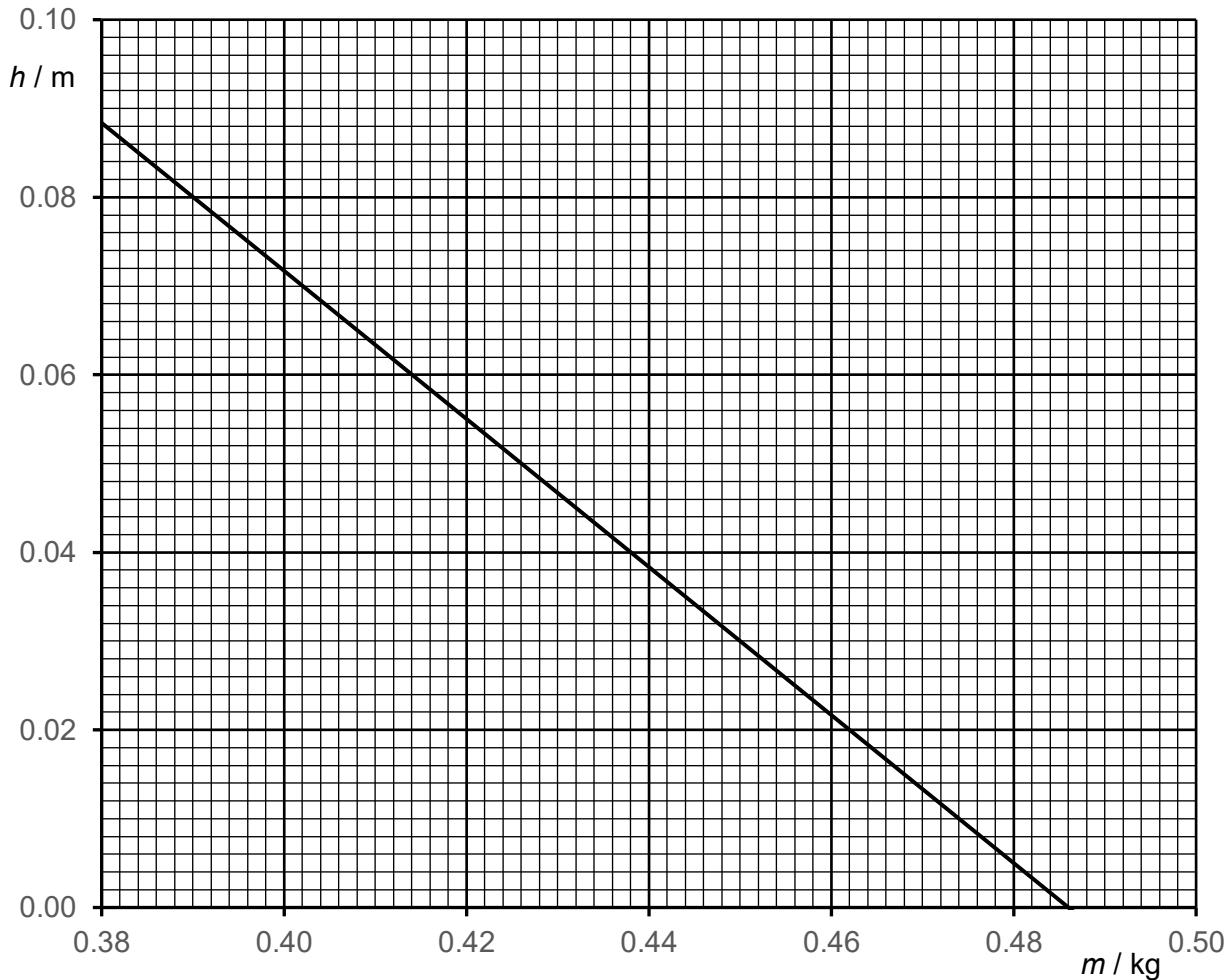


Fig. 2.2

- (a) Using Fig. 2.2, determine the total mass m required to remove the metal block from the water.

$$m = \dots \text{ kg} [1]$$

- (b) By considering the forces acting on the metal block, show that the gradient of the graph in Fig. 2.2 is represented by $-\left(\frac{1}{1.0 \times 10^3 A}\right)$.

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(c) Hence, determine the cross-sectional area, A .

$$A = \dots \text{m}^2 [2]$$

(d) Determine the density of the metal block, ρ .

$$\rho = \dots \text{kg m}^{-3} [2]$$

[Total: 7]