

- 1 (a) A wooden block placed on a weighing scale on a table registers 1.6 kg.
The same block and the weighing scale are now placed on a rough slope as shown in Fig. 1.1.

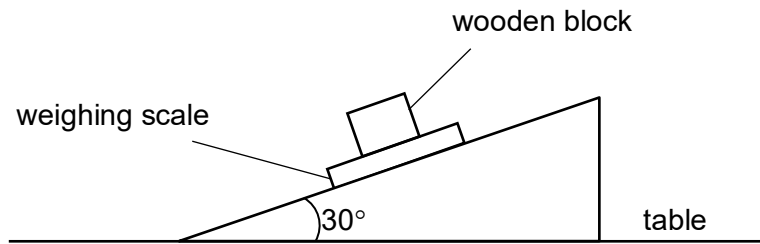


Fig. 1.1

The slope is at an angle of 30° to the horizontal.

Determine the new reading on the weighing scale. Show your working clearly.

new reading on the weighing scale = kg [3]

(b) The same block is now suspended from the ceiling by a cord of length 1.3 m.

A tennis ball of mass 58 g is shot from a launcher and strikes the block horizontally.

The ball is in contact with the block for a time of 0.20 s during which it reverses its direction and moves off with a speed of 19 m s^{-1} . After the collision, the block swings to a maximum angle of 37° from its initial vertical position.

Assume that during the collision, vertical motions are negligible.

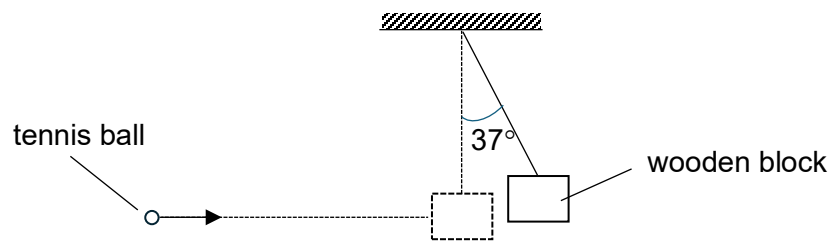


Fig. 1.2

(i) Show that the speed of the block immediately after the collision is 2.3 m s^{-1} .

- (ii) Calculate the average force F between the ball and the block during the collision.

$F = \dots\dots\dots$ N [2]

- (iii) Determine the horizontal speed of the ball before the collision.

initial speed of the ball = $\dots\dots\dots$ m s⁻¹ [2]

- (c) Using your answers in (b), deduce whether the collision is elastic.

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