

2 (a) State the two conditions necessary for a rigid body to be in equilibrium.

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...[2]

- (b) A horizontal force  $F$  is applied on a cube which remains stationary, as shown in Fig. 2.1. G is the centre of mass of the cube and is located at its geometric centre. The line of action of  $F$  is midway between G and the top of the cube.

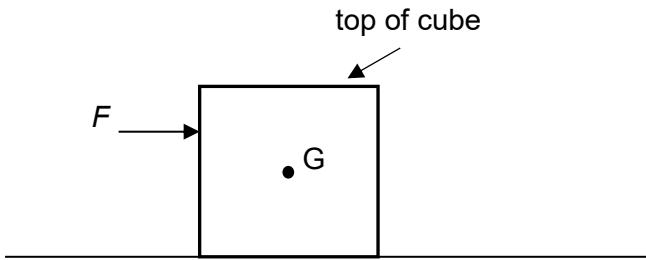


Fig. 2.1

- (i) On Fig. 2.1, draw the following forces acting on the cube:

1. Weight of the cube, labelled as  $W$ .

[1]

2. Resultant force, labelled as  $R$ , that the ground exerts on the cube. [2]

- (ii) If the mass of the cube is 200 g, calculate the maximum value of  $F$  such that the cube does not rotate.

maximum value of  $F = \dots$  N [2]

- (c) A spring has an unstretched length of 8.0 cm. One end of the spring is fixed to a support and a mass of 140 g is attached to the other end of the spring. The length of the spring is now 10.8 cm.

Calculate the force constant of the spring.

$$\text{force constant} = \dots \text{N m}^{-1} [2]$$

- (d) The cube in (b) is now attached to one end of the spring in (c) and is submerged in a liquid, as shown in Fig. 2.2. The length of the spring is now 10.3 cm.

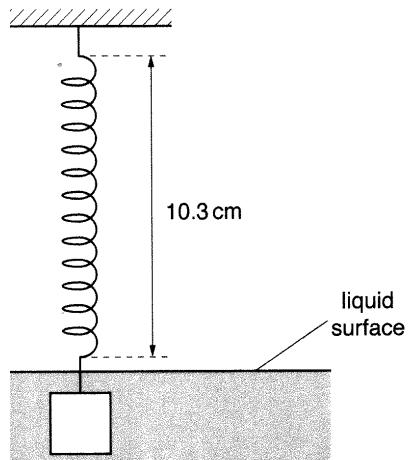


Fig. 2.2

- (i) Show that the upthrust acting on the cube is approximately 0.83 N. [1]

- (ii) The cube is made of concrete which has a density of  $2.4 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ .

Determine the density of the liquid.

density = .....  $\text{kg m}^{-3}$  [2]