

- 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,  $\rho$ , 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.

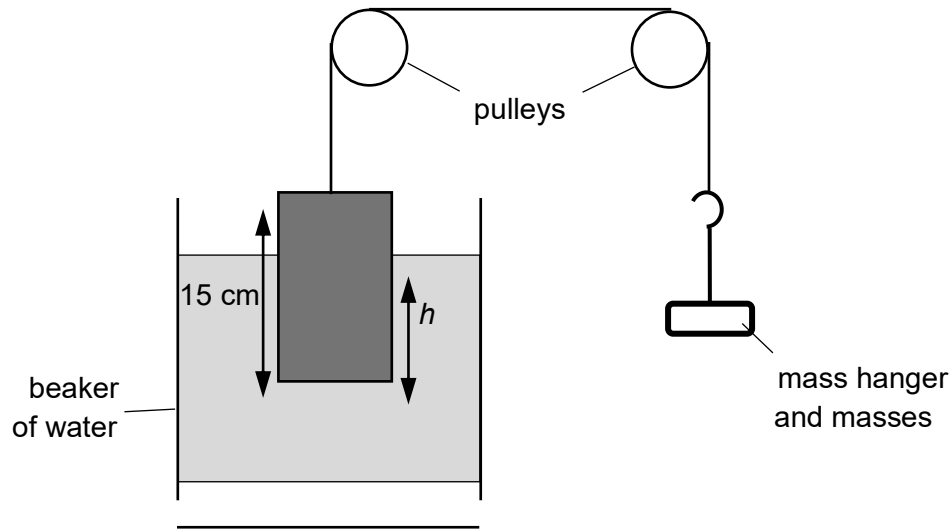


Fig. 2.1

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.

$m = \dots\dots\dots$  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  $-\left(\frac{1}{1.0 \times 10^3 A}\right)$ .

[2]

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

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

(d) Determine the density of the metal block,  $\rho$ .

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

[Total: 7]