

- 6 A metal wire is tied to a rod and clamped so that the wire hangs vertically, as shown in Fig. 6.1.

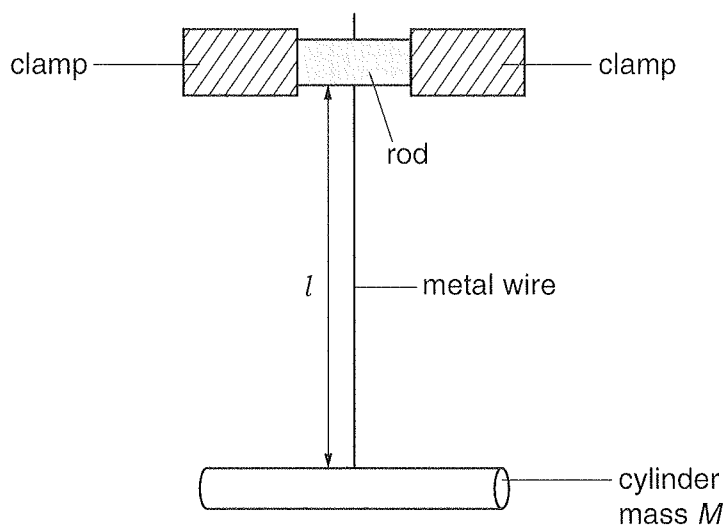


Fig. 6.1

A cylinder of mass M is attached to the lower end of the wire.

The length of the wire supporting the cylinder is l .

The cylinder is rotated through a small angle so that the wire twists. The cylinder is released and it oscillates, as illustrated in Fig. 6.2.

view from above cylinder

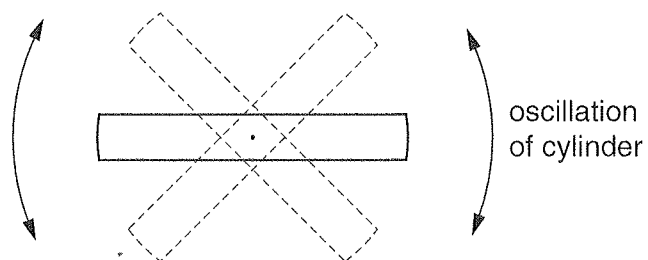


Fig. 6.2

The variation with M of the period T of the oscillations of the cylinder is shown in Fig. 6.3.



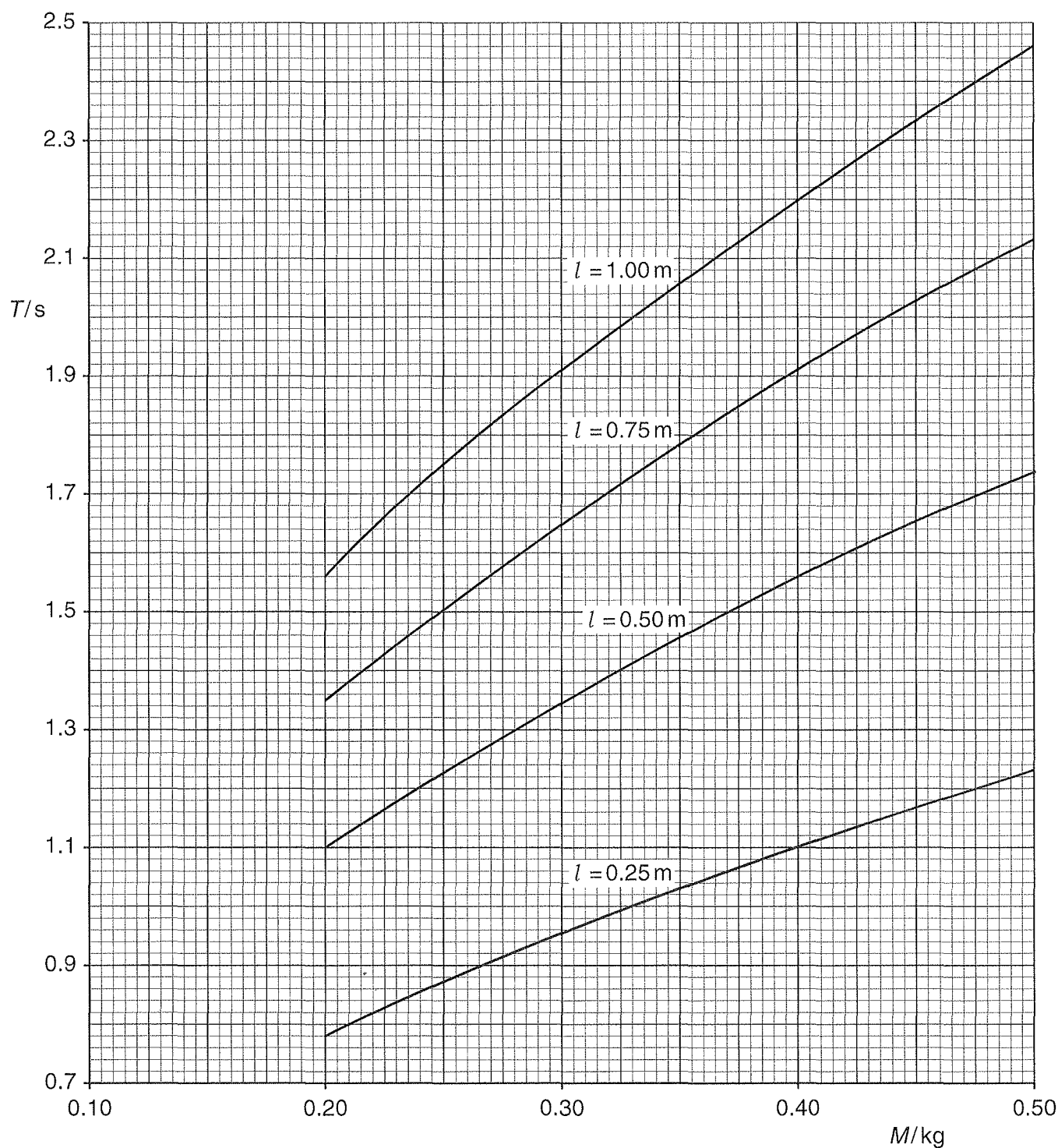


Fig. 6.3

The variation with M of the period T is shown for lengths l of 0.25 m, 0.50 m, 0.75 m and 1.00 m. The diameter of the wire is 1.20 mm.

(a) (i) Use Fig. 6.3 to describe qualitatively the variation of period T with the length l of the wire.

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- (ii) Use data from Fig. 6.3 to show, without drawing a graph, that T is proportional to \sqrt{M} .

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- (iii) Use data from Fig. 6.3 to show, without drawing a graph, that T is proportional to \sqrt{l} .

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- (b) The quantities T , M and l are thought to be related by

$$T = Kd^n(Ml)^{1/2}$$

where K is a constant, d is the diameter of the wire and n is an integer.

An experiment is carried out to determine n and K .

The values of M and l are kept constant at 0.40 kg and 0.50 m respectively.

Fig. 6.4 shows the readings obtained.

T/s	d/mm	$\lg(T/s)$	$\lg(d/m)$
0.56	2.02	-0.25	-2.69
0.83	1.64	-0.08	-2.79
1.10	1.42	0.04	-2.85
	1.20		
2.65	0.92	0.42	-3.04
4.31	0.72	0.63	-3.14

Fig. 6.4

- (i) Complete Fig. 6.4 for the diameter of 1.20 mm.

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(ii) Fig. 6.5 is a graph of some of the data of Fig. 6.4.

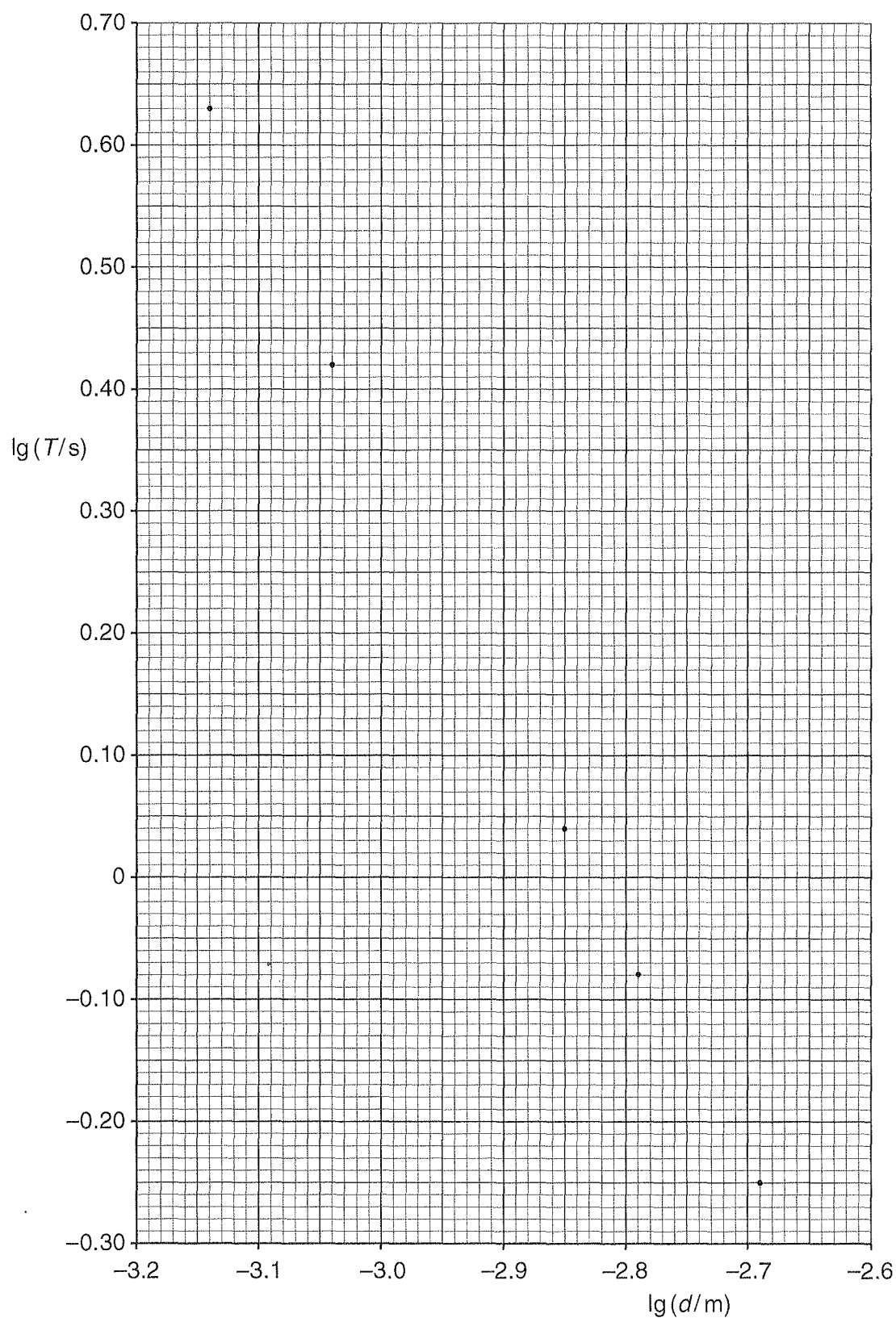


Fig. 6.5

On Fig. 6.5,

1. plot the point corresponding to $d = 1.20$ mm,
2. draw the line of best fit for all the points.



(iii) Determine the gradient of the line you have drawn on Fig. 6.5.

gradient = [2]

(c) (i) Explain how n is related to the gradient.

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(ii) State the value of n . $n = \dots\dots\dots$ [1]

(d) Use Fig. 6.5 and the data given for the wires used in the experiment in (b) to determine K in SI units.

$K = \dots\dots\dots$ SI units [2]

(e) The oscillations of the cylinder shown in Fig. 6.2 are thought to be simple harmonic.

(i) State the measurements that could be made to support this theory.

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(ii) Explain how the measurements in (i) are used to support this theory.

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