

- 1 One end of a spring is fixed to a support. A mass is attached to the other end of the spring. The arrangement is shown in Fig. 1.1.

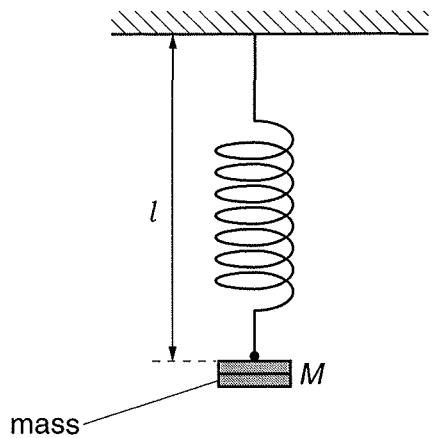


Fig. 1.1

The arrangement is used to determine the length l of the spring when mass M is attached to the spring. The procedure is repeated for different values of M .
The variation of mass M with length l is shown in Fig. 1.2.

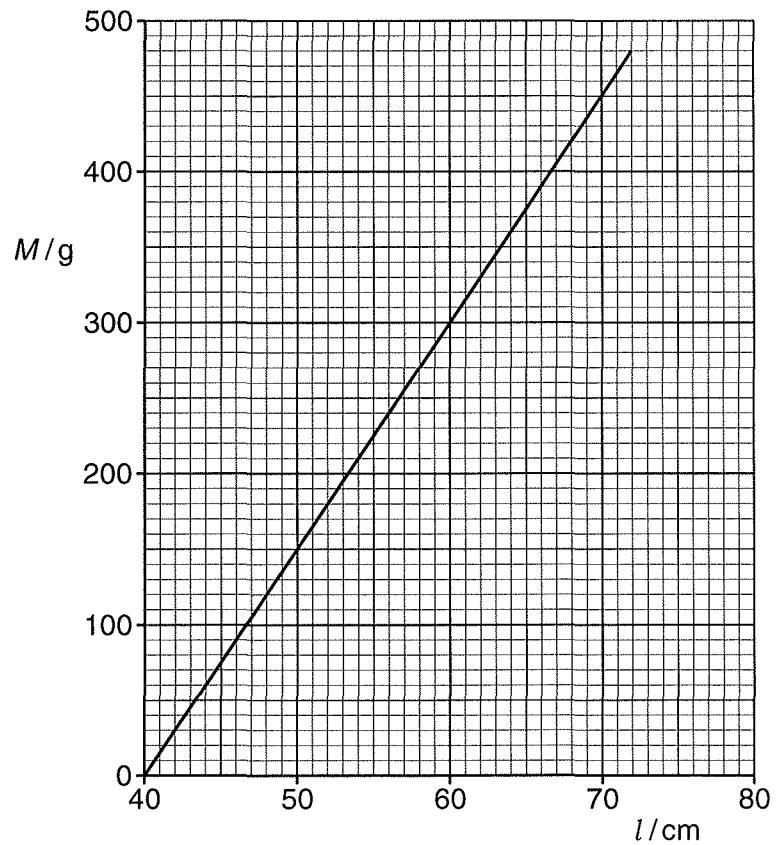


Fig. 1.2



- (a) Calculate the energy stored in the spring when it is extended to a length l of 70.0 cm.

energy = J [2]

- (b) A mass of 300 g is attached to the spring and is held at rest with length l of 40.0 cm. The mass is then released and the spring extends.

- (i) State the energy changes in the mass-spring system as the mass falls to its lowest position from its point of release. Numerical values are not required.

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- (ii) Use your answer in (a) to calculate the speed of the mass when the spring has extended by 30.0 cm from its point of release.

speed = ms^{-1} [4]

- (iii) Calculate the distance fallen by the mass from its point of release before it first comes to rest.

distance = m [3]

