

Deformation of Solids

Question paper 1

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- 1 A spring is kept horizontal by attaching it to points A and B, as shown in Fig. 4.1.

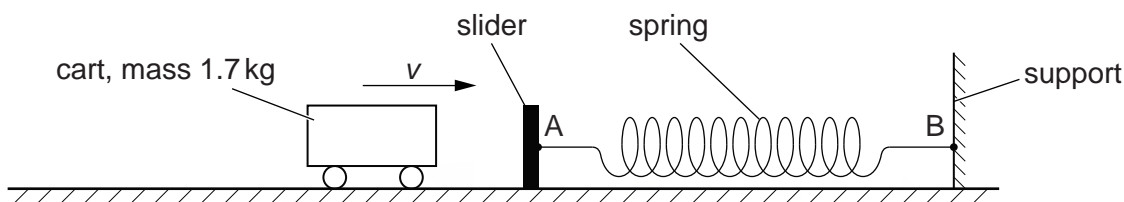


Fig. 4.1

Point A is on a movable slider and point B is on a fixed support. A cart of mass 1.7 kg has horizontal velocity v towards the slider. The cart collides with the slider. The spring is compressed as the cart comes to rest. The variation of compression x of the spring with force F exerted on the spring is shown in Fig. 4.2.

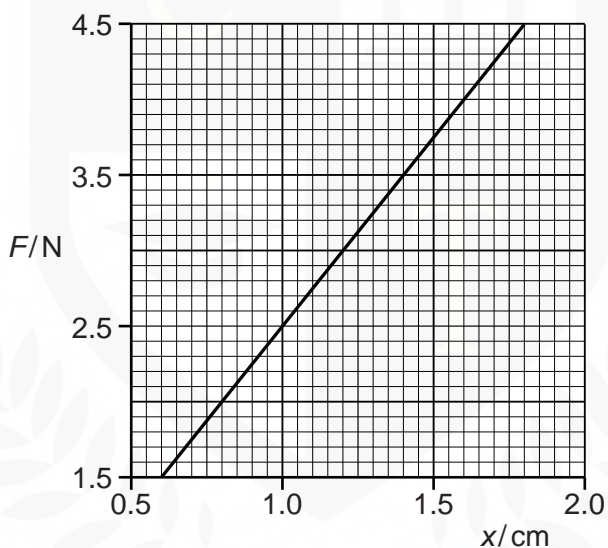


Fig. 4.2

Fig. 4.2 shows the compression of the spring for $F = 1.5\text{ N}$ to $F = 4.5\text{ N}$. The cart comes to rest when F is 4.5 N .

(a) Use Fig. 4.2 to

- (i) show that the compression of the spring obeys Hooke's law,

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.....[2]

- (ii) determine the spring constant of the spring,

spring constant = Nm^{-1} [2]

- (iii) determine the elastic potential energy E_p stored in the spring due to the cart being brought to rest.

E_p = J [3]

- (b) Calculate the speed v of the cart as it makes contact with the slider. Assume that all the kinetic energy of the cart is converted to the elastic potential energy of the spring.

speed = ms^{-1} [2]

- 2 Fig. 4.1 shows the values obtained in an experiment to determine the Young modulus E of a metal in the form of a wire.

quantity	value	instrument
diameter d	0.48 mm	
length l	1.768 m	
load F	5.0 N to 30.0 N in 5.0 N steps	
extension e	0.25 mm to 1.50 mm	

Fig. 4.1

- (a) (i) Complete Fig. 4.1 with the name of an instrument that could be used to measure each of the quantities. [3]

- (ii) Explain why a series of values of F , each with corresponding extension e , are measured.

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[1]

- (b) Explain how a series of readings of the quantities given in Fig. 4.1 is used to determine the Young modulus of the metal. A numerical answer for E is not required.

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[2]

3 (a) Compare the molecular motion of a liquid with

(i) a solid,

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.....[2]

(ii) a gas.

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.....[1]

(b) (i) A ductile material in the form of a wire is stretched up to its breaking point. On Fig. 4.1, sketch the variation with extension x of the stretching force F .



Fig. 4.1

[1]

(ii) On Fig. 4.2, sketch the variation with extension x of the stretching force F for a brittle material up to its breaking point.



Fig. 4.2

[1]

(c) Describe a similarity and a difference between ductile and brittle materials.

similarity:

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difference:

- 4 (a) Define the *Young modulus*.

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- (b) Two wires P and Q of the same material and same original length l_0 are fixed so that they hang vertically, as shown in Fig. 5.1.

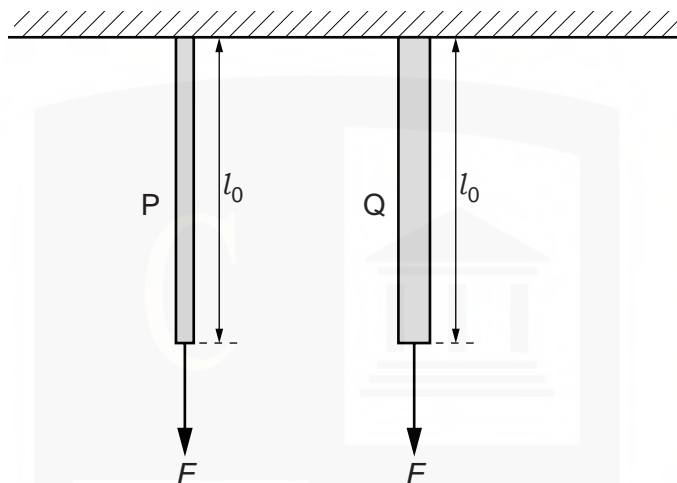


Fig. 5.1 (not to scale)

The diameter of P is d and the diameter of Q is $2d$. The same force F is applied to the lower end of each wire.

Show your working and determine the ratio

- (i) $\frac{\text{stress in P}}{\text{stress in Q}}$,

ratio = [2]

- (ii) $\frac{\text{strain in P}}{\text{strain in Q}}$.

ratio = [2]

- 5 A spring hangs vertically from a point P, as shown in Fig. 4.1.

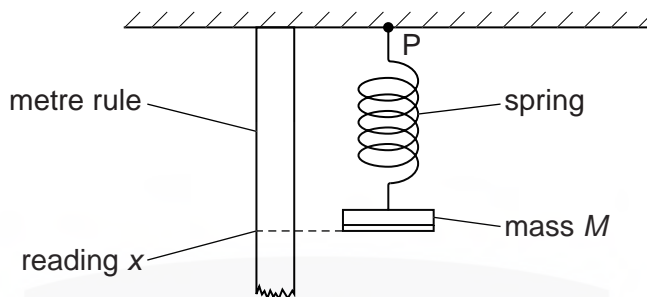


Fig. 4.1

A mass M is attached to the lower end of the spring. The reading x from the metre rule is taken, as shown in Fig. 4.1. Fig. 4.2 shows the relationship between x and M .

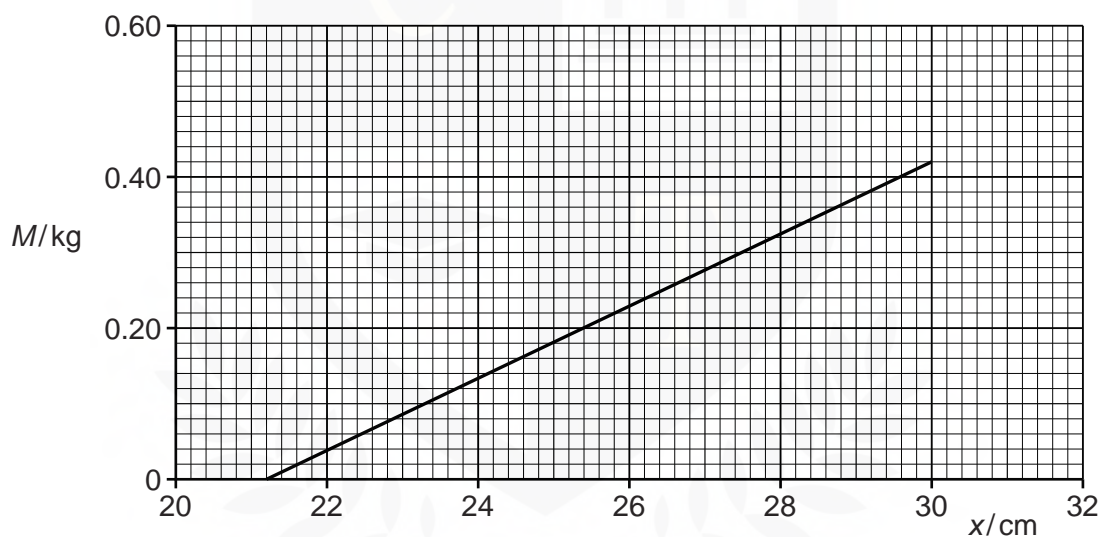


Fig. 4.2

- (a) Explain how the apparatus in Fig. 4.1 may be used to determine the load on the spring at the elastic limit.

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- (b) State and explain whether Fig. 4.2 suggests that the spring obeys Hooke's law.

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(c) Use Fig. 4.2 to determine the spring constant, in Nm^{-1} , of the spring.

spring constant = Nm^{-1} [3]



6 Energy is stored in a metal wire that is extended elastically.

(a) Explain what is meant by *extended elastically*.

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..... [2]

(b) Show that the SI units of energy per unit volume are $\text{kg m}^{-1} \text{s}^{-2}$.

[2]

(c) For a wire extended elastically, the elastic energy per unit volume X is given by

$$X = C\varepsilon^2 E$$

where C is a constant,
 ε is the strain of the wire,
and E is the Young modulus of the wire.

Show that C has no units.

[3]

7 (a) Define

(i) stress,

.....[1]

(ii) strain.

.....[1]

(b) The Young modulus of the metal of a wire is 0.17 TPa. The cross-sectional area of the wire is 0.18 mm^2 .

The wire is extended by a force F . This causes the length of the wire to be increased by 0.095%.

Calculate

(i) the stress,

stress = Pa [4]

(ii) the force F .

$F =$ N [2]