

5 A cuboidal block floats in a liquid with its base horizontal, as shown in Fig. 5.1.

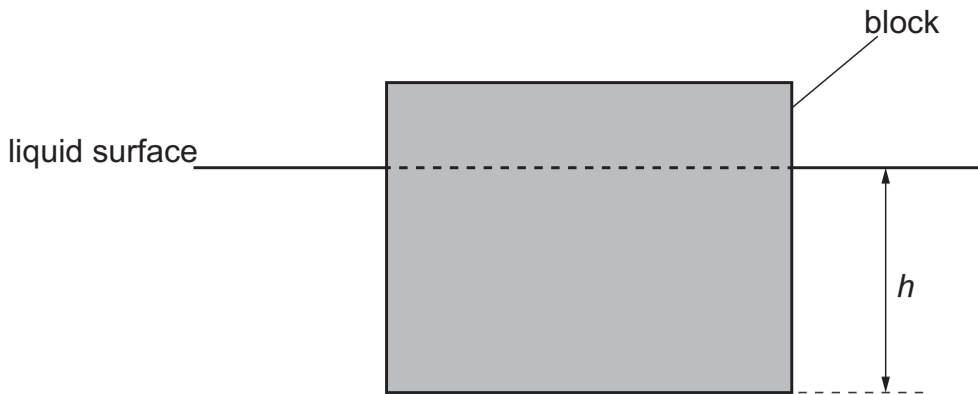


Fig. 5.1

The base of the block is at a depth h below the surface of the liquid.

The block is displaced downwards by a small distance and then released so that it oscillates.

Fig. 5.2 shows the variation with h of the acceleration a of the block.

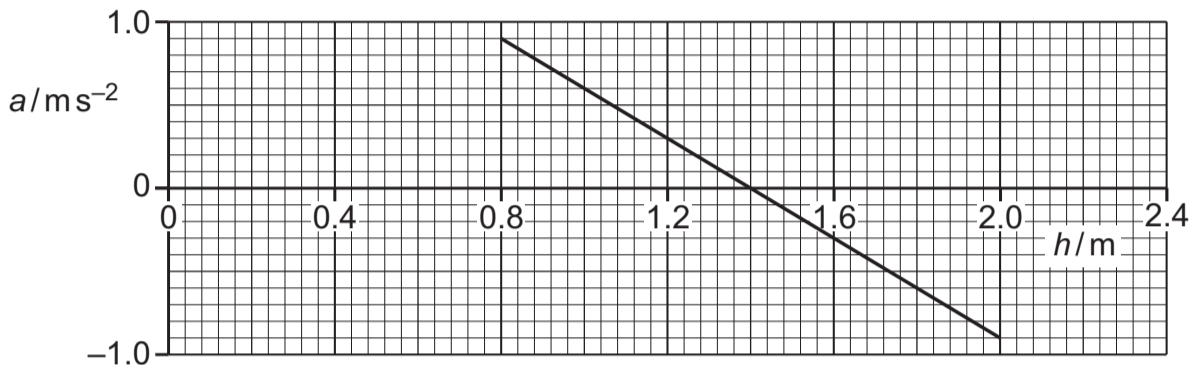


Fig. 5.2

Fig. 5.3 shows the variation with h of the kinetic energy E_K of the block.

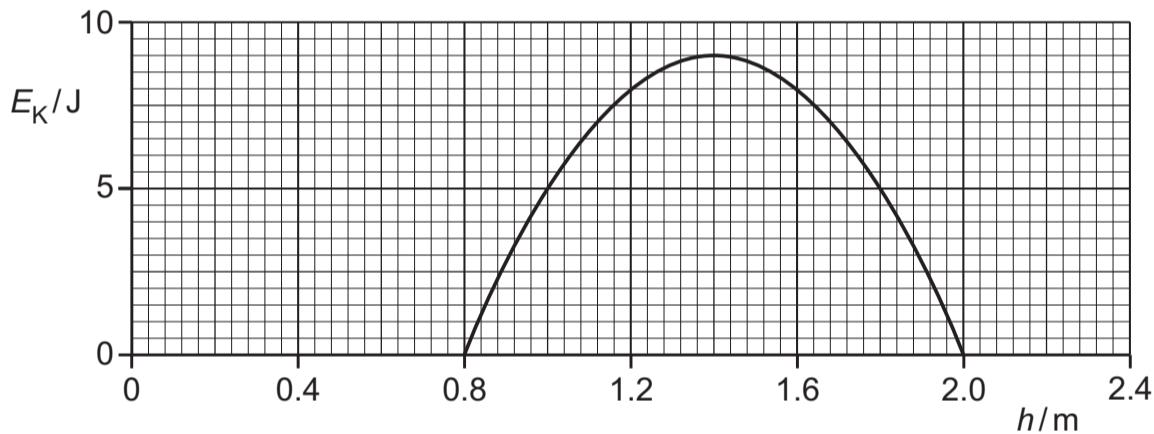


Fig. 5.3

(a) (i) Determine the amplitude of the oscillations.

amplitude = m [1]

(ii) State what the line in Fig. 5.2 shows about the nature of the oscillations.

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(b) State **three** other quantitative conclusions that can be drawn from Fig. 5.2 and Fig. 5.3 about the block and its oscillations. Use the space for any working.

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