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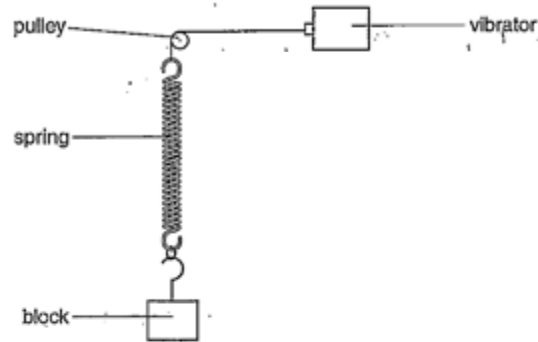


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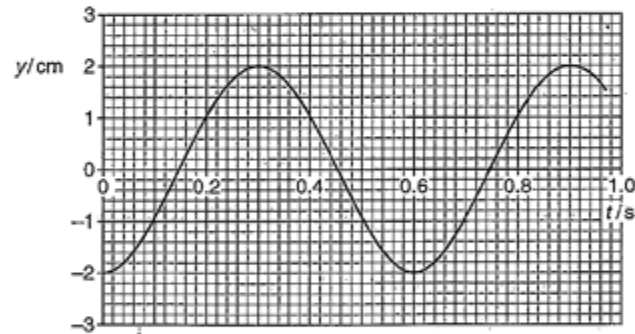


Fig. 4.2

For the vibrations of the block, calculate

- (i) the angular frequency ω ,

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = \frac{2\pi}{0.6}$$

$$\omega = 10.47$$

$$\omega = \dots\dots\dots 10.5 \dots\dots\dots \text{rad s}^{-1} \text{ [2]}$$

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(ii) the energy of the vibrations.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E &= \frac{1}{2} m (\omega \sqrt{x_0^2 - x^2})^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x_0^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \times 120 \times 10^{-3} \times (10.47)^2 \times (2 \times 10^{-2})^2 \\
 &= 2.631 \times 10^{-3}
 \end{aligned}$$

energy = 2.6×10^{-3} J [2]

(b) The vibrator is now switched on.

The frequency of vibration is varied from $0.7f$ to $1.3f$ where f is the frequency of vibration of the block in (a).

For the block, complete Fig. 4.3 to show the variation with frequency of the amplitude of vibration. Label this line A. [3]

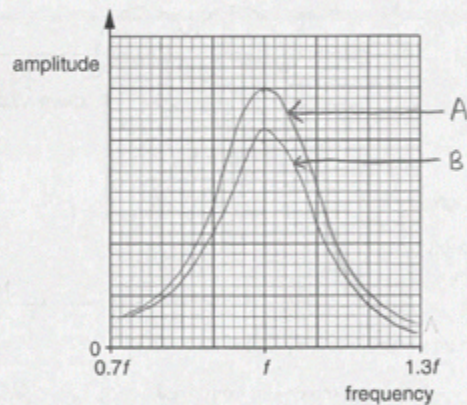


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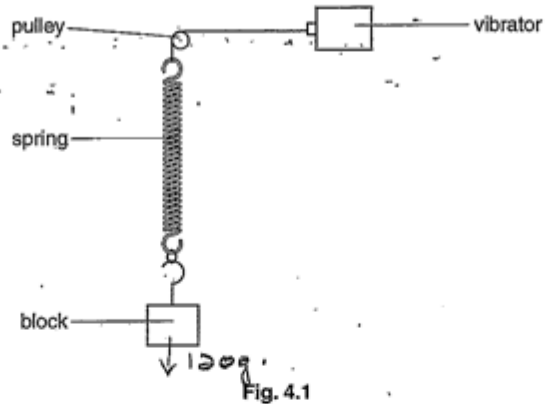


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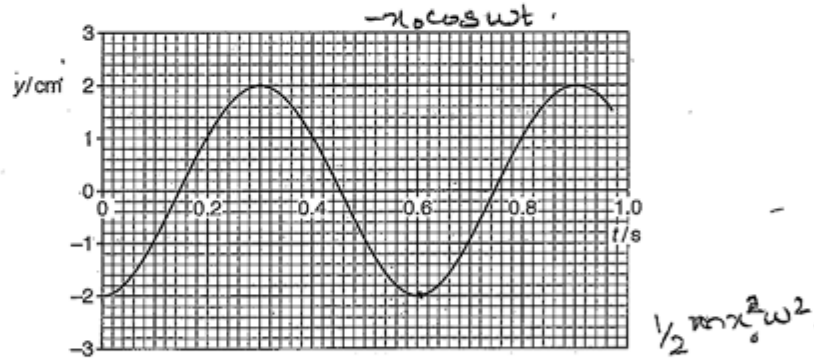


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For the vibrations of the block, calculate

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 $\omega = 2\pi f = 10.5$

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$$T.E = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x_0^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (0.12) (2 \times 10^{-2})^2 (10.5)^2$$

$$= 2.646 \times 10^{-3}$$

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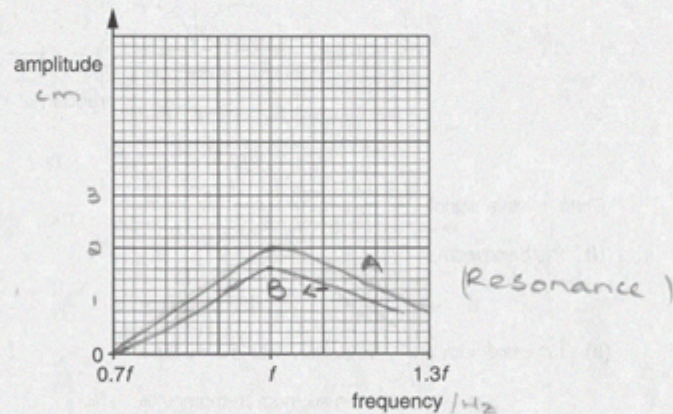


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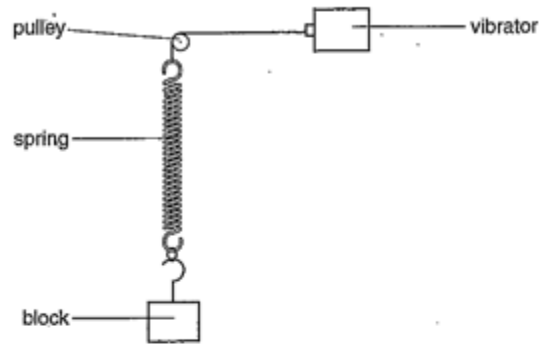


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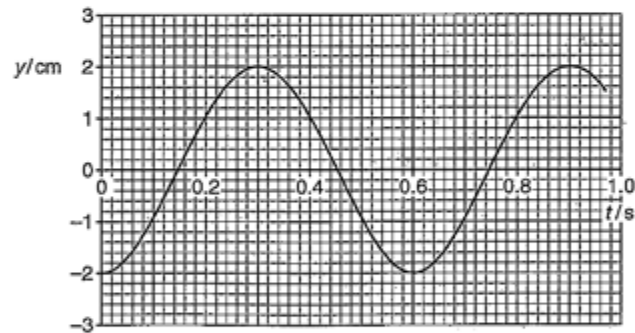


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$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times 0.12 \times (10.47)^2 \\ &= 0.06 \times 109.6 = 6.58 \end{aligned}$$

energy = 6.58 J [2]

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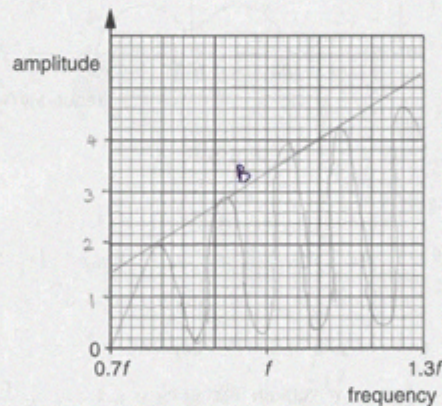


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