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**A-level
PHYSICS**

**Paper 3
Section A**

7408/3A

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MATERIALS

For this paper you must have:

- **a pencil and a ruler**
- **a scientific calculator**
- **a Data and Formulae Booklet**
- **a protractor.**

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INSTRUCTIONS

- **Use black ink or black ball-point pen.**
- **Answer ALL questions.**
- **You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write on blank pages.**
- **If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).**
- **Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.**
- **Show all your working.**



INFORMATION

- **The marks for questions are shown in brackets.**
- **The maximum mark for this paper is 45.**
- **You are expected to use a scientific calculator where appropriate.**
- **A Data and Formulae Booklet is provided as a loose insert.**

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SECTION A

Answer ALL questions in this section.

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A stroboscope emits bright flashes of white light. The duration of each flash and the frequency of the flashes can be varied.

TABLE 1 shows information about the stroboscope.

TABLE 1

	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Duration of each flash / μs	60	300
Frequency of flashes / Hz	1	150



The duration of each flash is T_1 .

The time from the start of a flash to the start of the next flash is T_2 .

The duty cycle of a stroboscope is

defined as $\frac{T_1}{T_2}$.

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What is the maximum duty cycle of the stroboscope? [1 mark]

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3.0×10^{-4}

9.0×10^{-3}

4.5×10^{-2}

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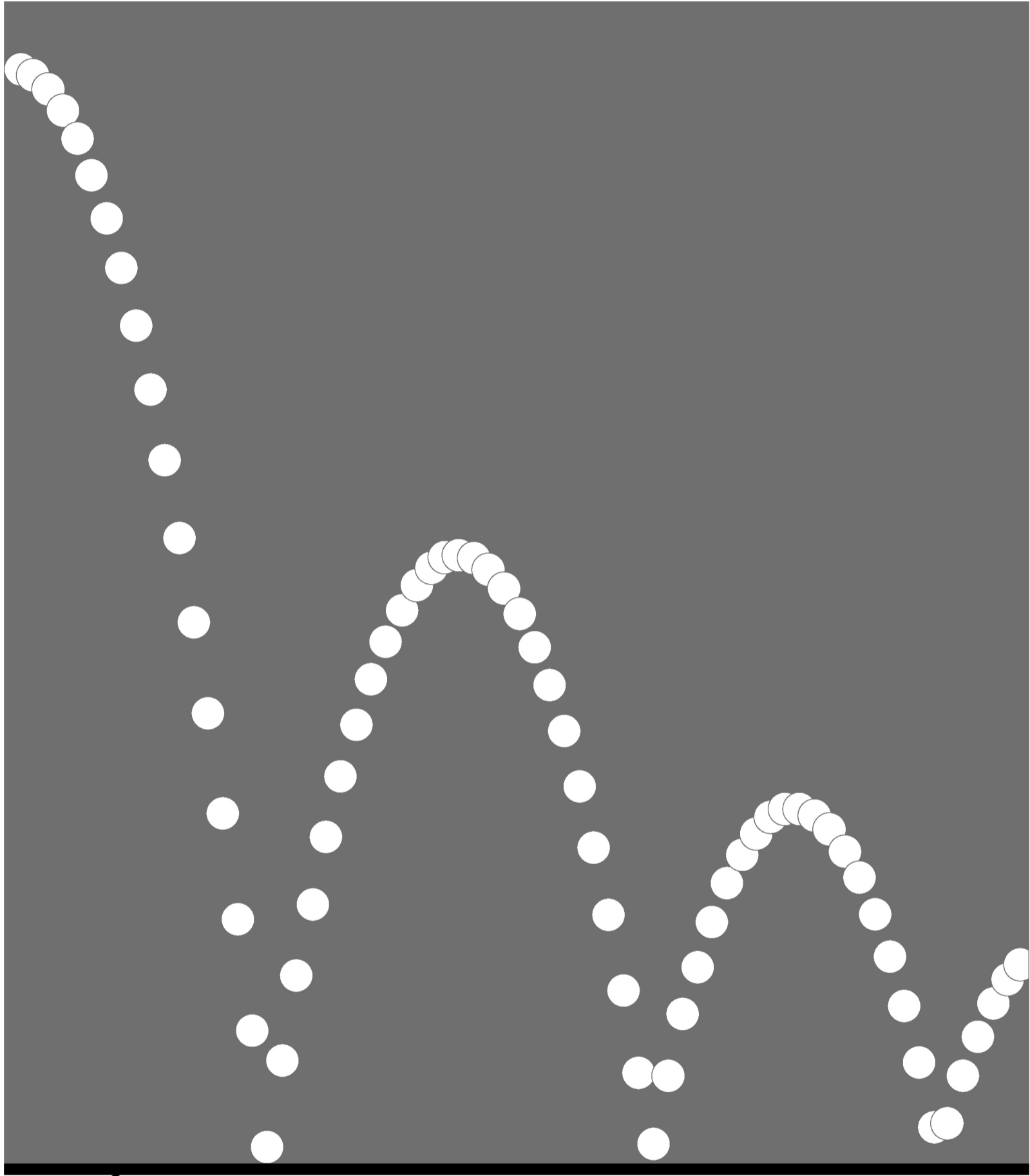
FIGURE 1, on the opposite page, shows images produced in an experiment in which a bouncing ball is illuminated by a stroboscope.

The stroboscope flashes at a constant frequency.

Suggest why T_1 must be very short for this experiment. [1 mark]



FIGURE 1



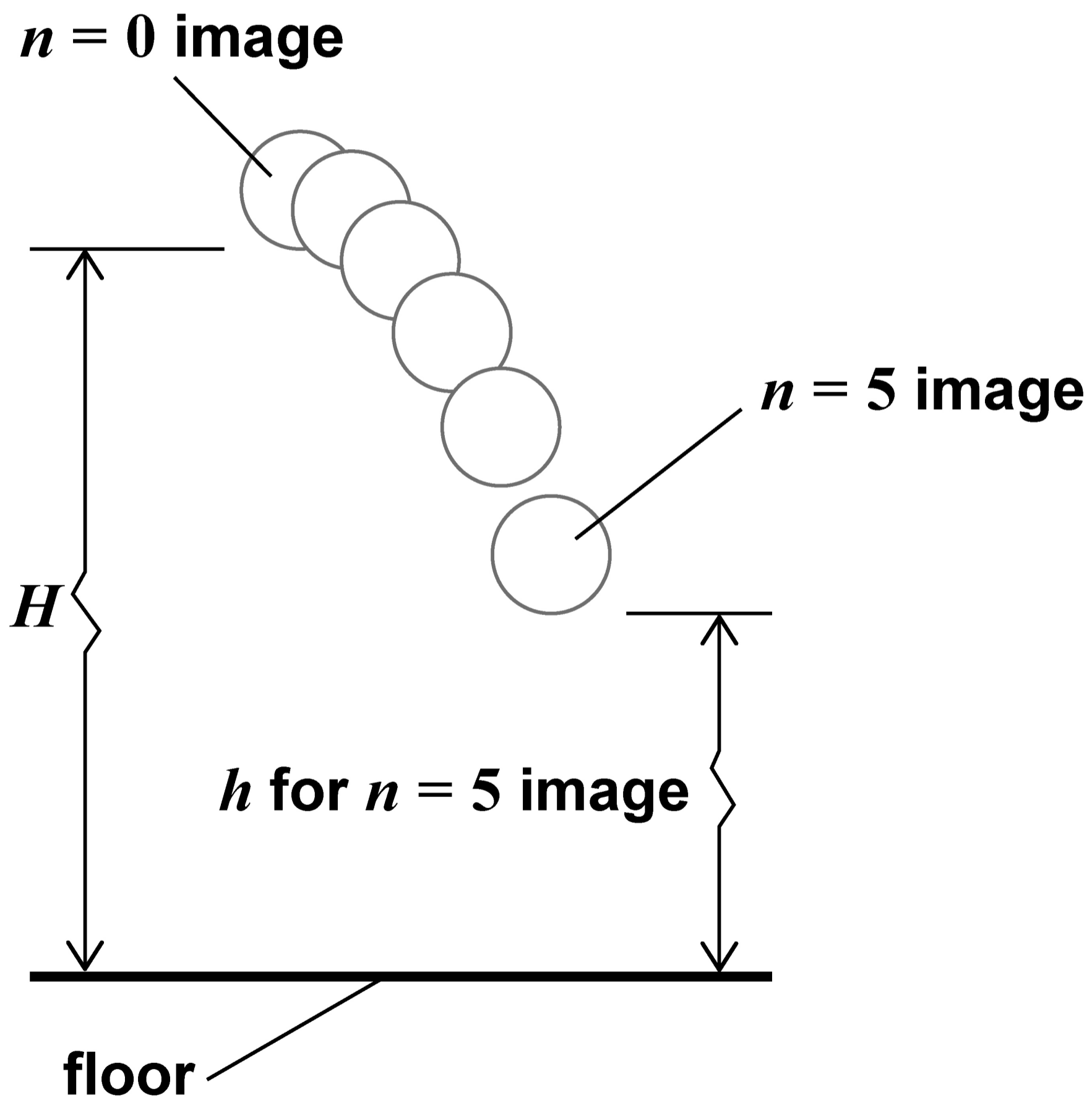
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FIGURE 2 shows the first six images starting with $n = 0$, where n is the image number.

FIGURE 2



The images are used to determine:

H , the vertical distance from the bottom of the ball to the floor when $n = 0$

h , the vertical distance from the bottom of the ball to the floor for each non-zero value of n .

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The $n = N$ image is produced at the instant that the ball hits the floor for the first time.

For n between 0 and N it can be shown that

$$H - h = \frac{u_0 n}{f} + \frac{g}{2} \left(\frac{n}{f} \right)^2$$

where

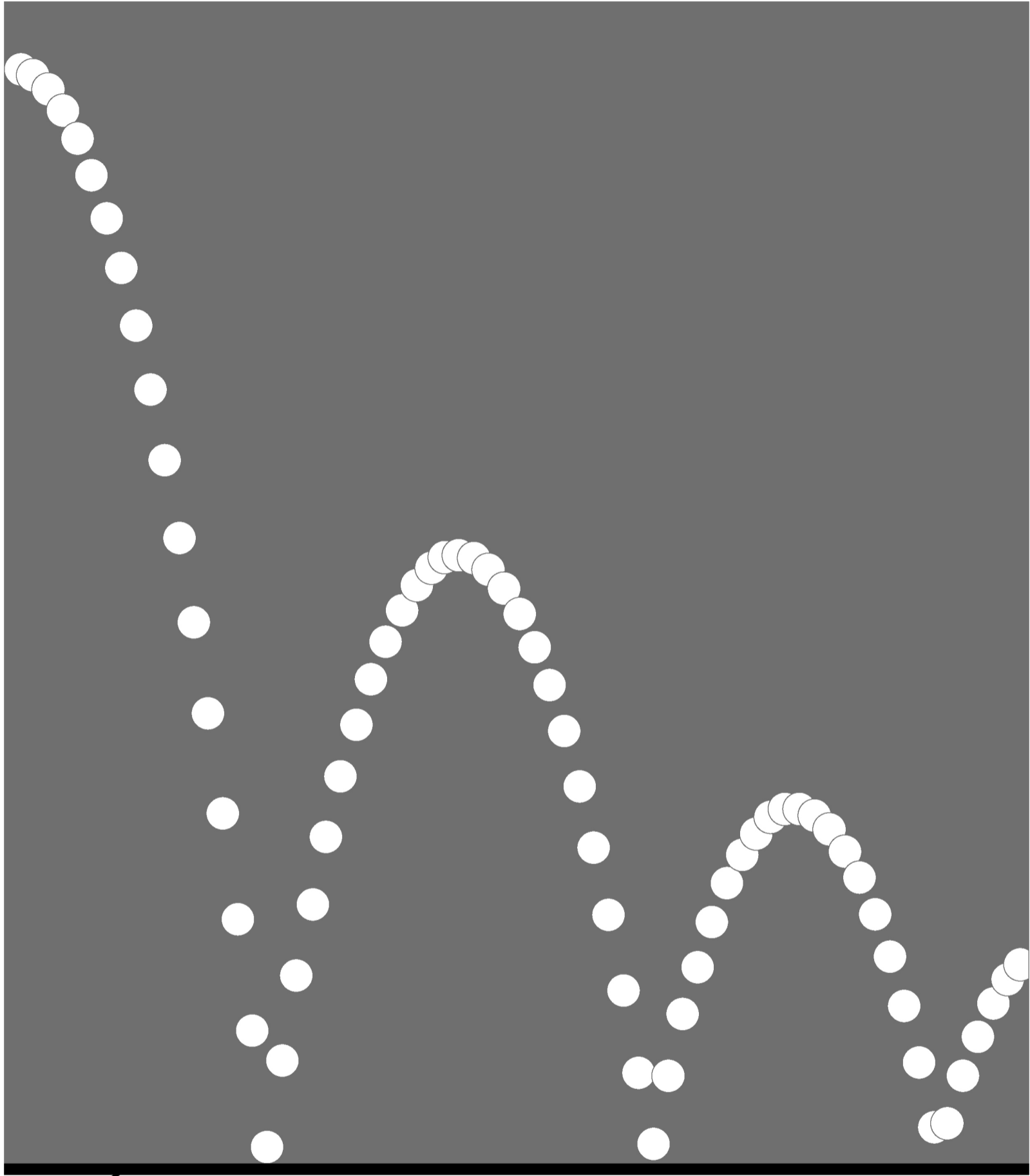
u_0 is the vertical velocity of the ball when $n = 0$

g is the acceleration due to gravity

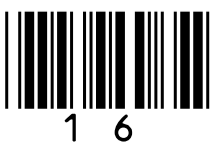
f is the frequency of the flashes.



REPEAT OF FIGURE 1



floor



The following data are recorded.

$$H = 1550 \text{ mm}$$

$$f = 31.0 \text{ Hz}$$

The graphical analysis of data from FIGURE 1 gives g as 9.79 m s^{-2} .

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Determine u_0 . [3 marks]

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$$u_0 = \underline{\hspace{15em}} \text{ m s}^{-1}$$



FIGURE 3, on page 21, shows positions of the bottom of the ball for $n = 40$ to $n = 66$

In this range of positions, the ball makes contact with the floor for the second and third times.

Values of h , the vertical distance from the bottom of the ball to the floor, are plotted on the y -axis.

Values of s , the horizontal displacement from a point on the floor below the centre of the $n = 0$ image, are plotted on the x -axis.

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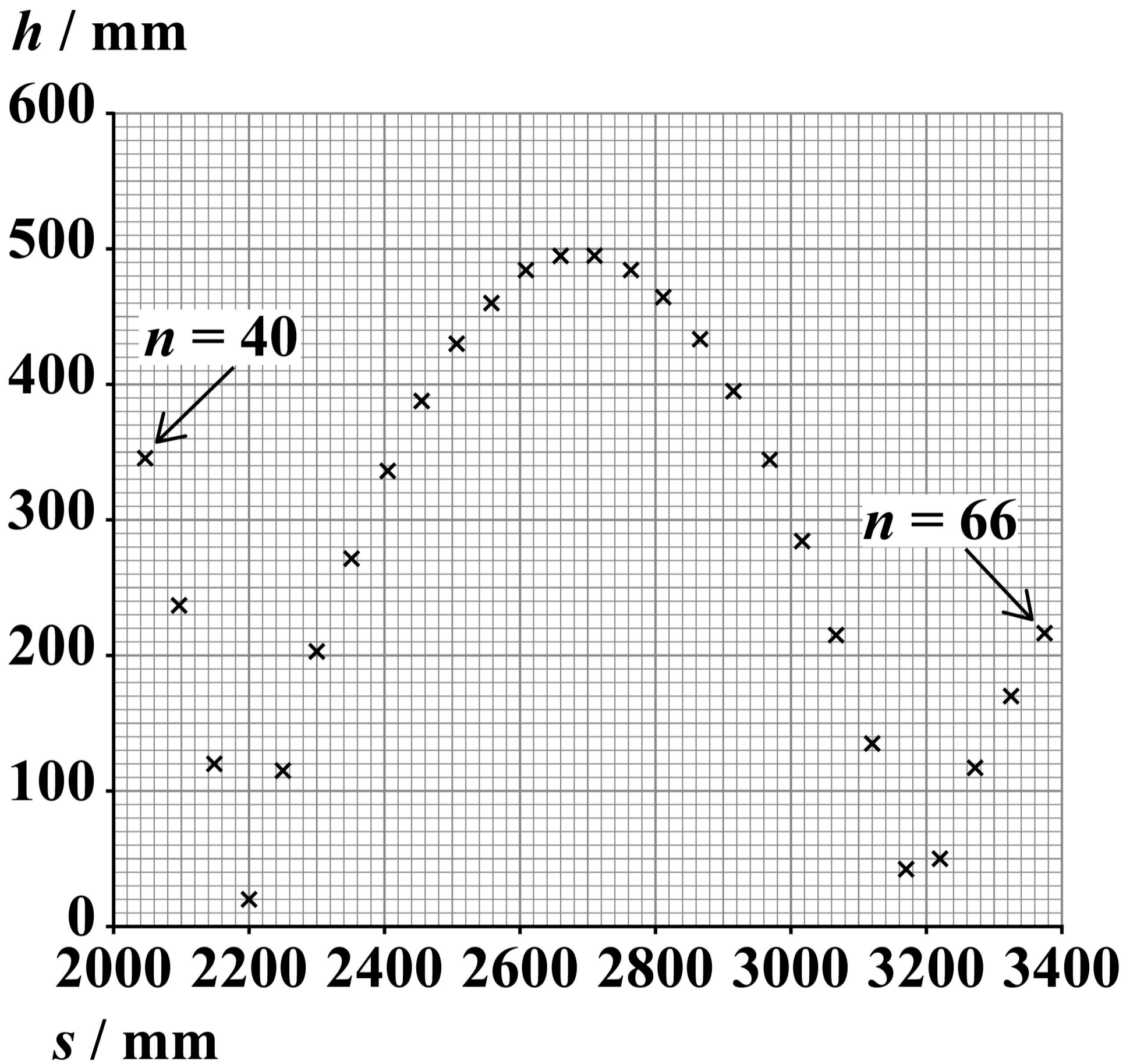
Determine, in mm s^{-1} , the horizontal velocity of the ball between the second and third contacts of the ball with the floor. [2 marks]

horizontal velocity =

mm s^{-1}



FIGURE 3



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Determine the time between the second and third contacts.

Annotate FIGURE 3, on page 21, to show your method. [3 marks]

time = _____ s

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FIGURE 4, on the opposite page, is a plot of current–voltage data for a filament lamp L.

The current I was measured as the voltage V across L was increased at a steady rate.

These data were obtained using a current sensor and a voltage sensor connected to a data logger. The logger recorded data at a rate of 2.5 Hz.



FIGURE 4

 I / A

2.0

1.8

1.6

1.4

1.2

1.0

0.8

0.6

0.4

0.2

0 2 4 6 8 10 12

 V / V

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02.1

Determine, in $V s^{-1}$, the rate of increase of V . [2 marks]

rate of increase of $V =$ _____ $V s^{-1}$

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02.2

State TWO advantages of using data logging for this experiment. [2 marks]

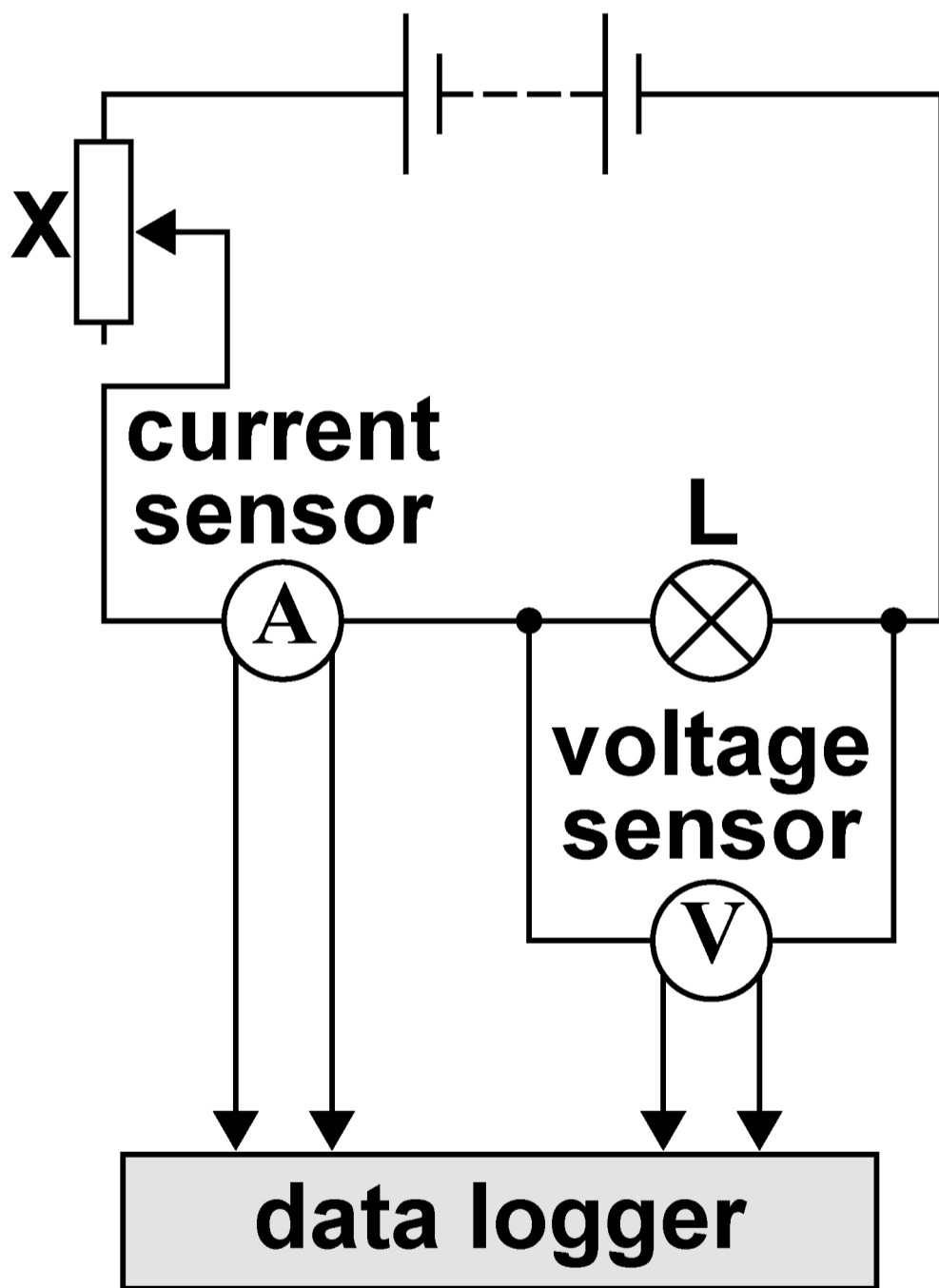
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02.3

FIGURE 5 shows two circuits that can be used to collect current–voltage data.

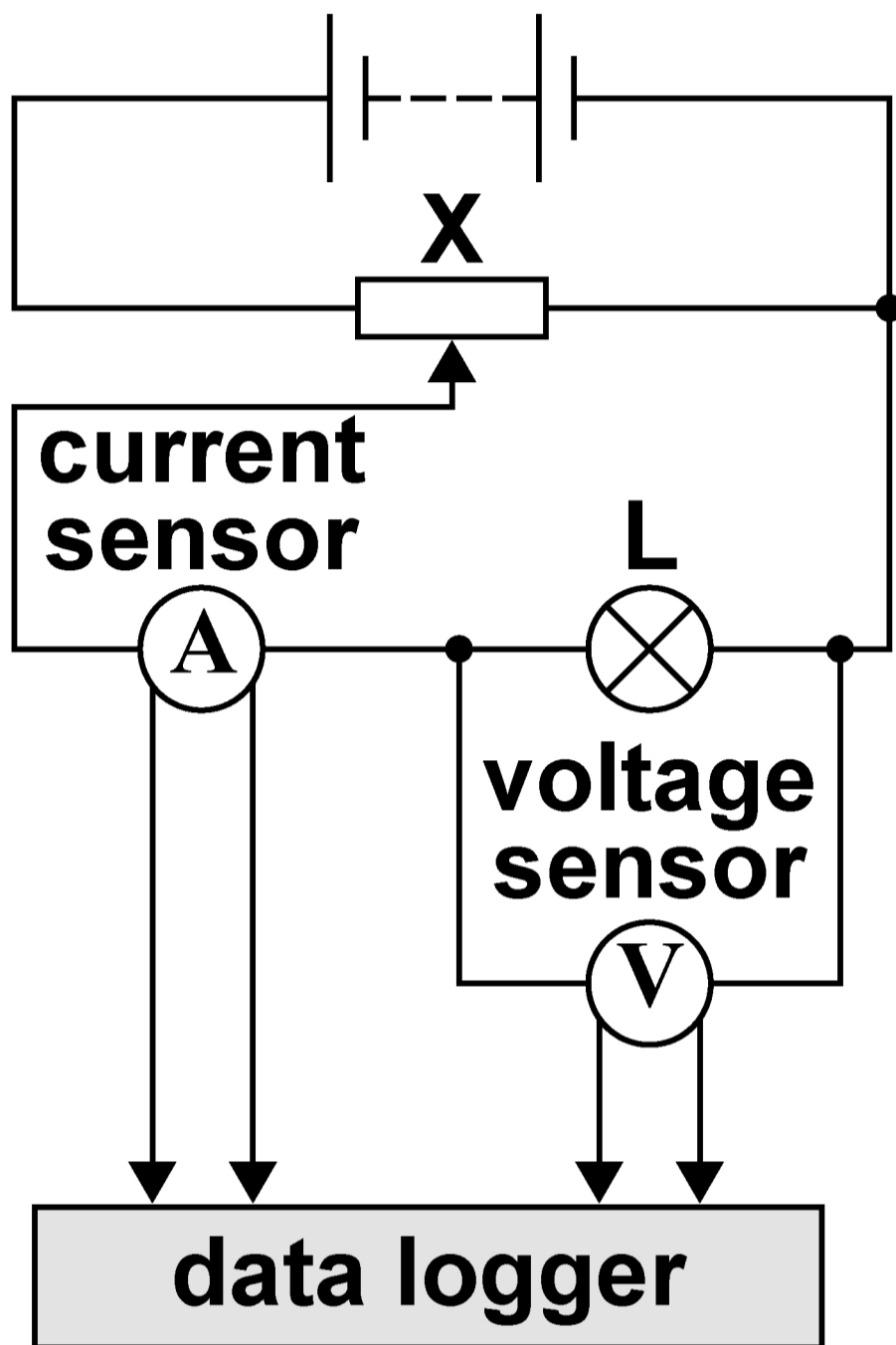
FIGURE 5



circuit 1

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FIGURE 5 continued**circuit 2**

The dc supply has an emf of 12 V and negligible internal resistance.

The current sensor and the voltage sensor behave as ideal meters.

In circuit 1:

- **X is used as a variable resistor with a maximum resistance of 14.9Ω**
- **when X is set to maximum resistance, the resistance of L is 2.3Ω .**

In circuit 2, X is used as a potential divider.

Question 02.3 continues on the next page.

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Discuss, with reference to circuit 1 AND circuit 2, whether either circuit can produce all the data shown in FIGURE 4, on page 25.

**Support your answer with a calculation.
[4 marks]**



TABLE 2 shows some values of V that are plotted on **FIGURE 4**, on page 25, and corresponding results for I and for the power P dissipated in L.

TABLE 2

V / V	I / A	P / W
3.30	1.07	3.53
5.17	1.32	
7.69	1.59	12.2
9.58		
11.47	1.94	22.3

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Complete TABLE 2. [3 marks]



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Plot on FIGURE 6 a graph of P against V .

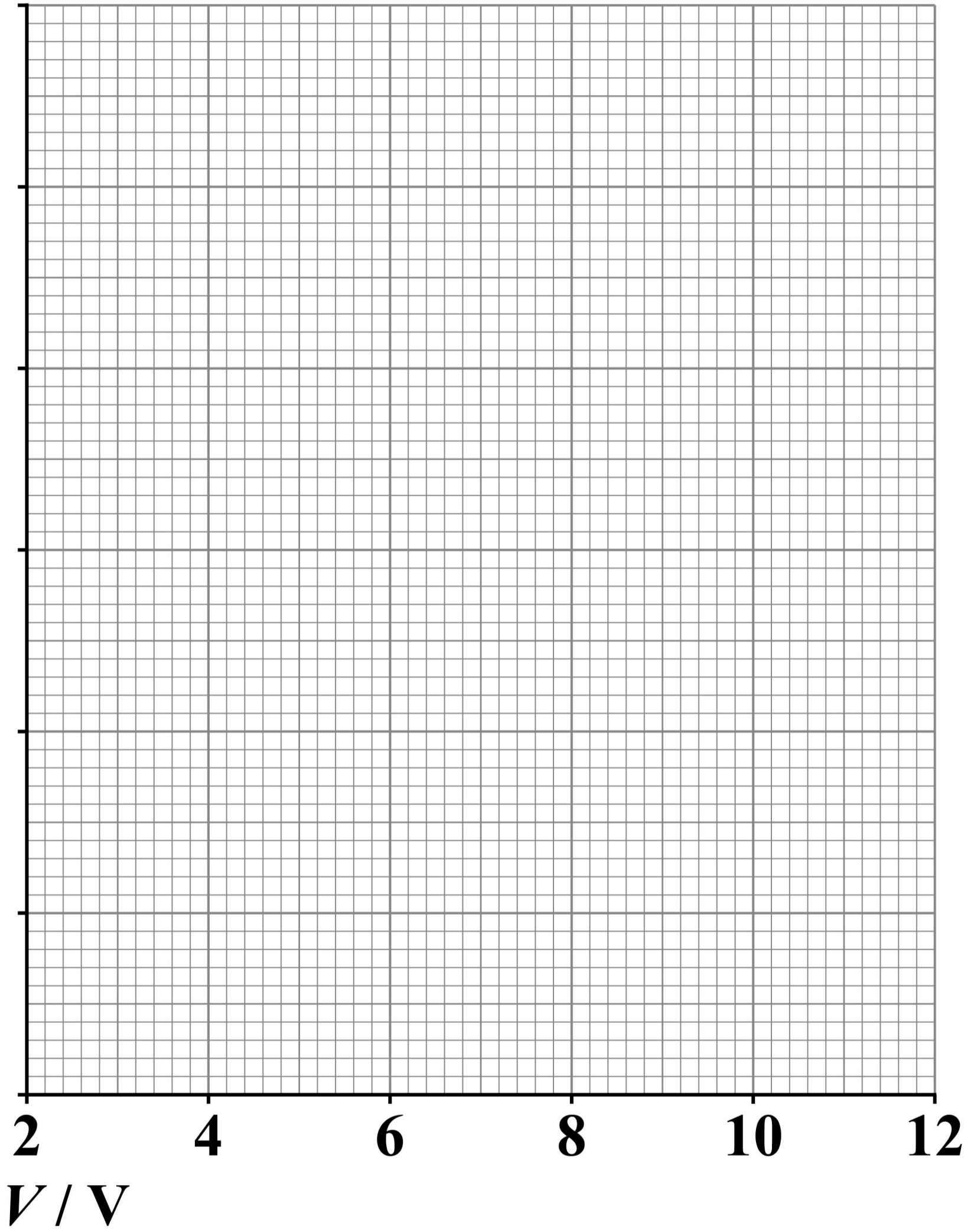
FIGURE 6 is provided on the opposite page.

You should use only the data in your completed TABLE 2, on page 34.

[3 marks]



FIGURE 6



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L is connected to a 12 V power supply of negligible internal resistance.

L then dissipates its rated power P_r .

A second lamp, identical to L, is now connected in series with L.

Determine the percentage of P_r that is dissipated in this circuit. [2 marks]



percentage = _____ %

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FIGURE 7a, on the opposite page, shows the front view of a vertical coil mounted on a circular frame.

FIGURE 7b, on the opposite page, is a side view showing a section through the frame and coil. A constant direct current in the coil produces magnetic flux represented by the magnetic field lines on this diagram.

Point Q is at the centre of the coil.

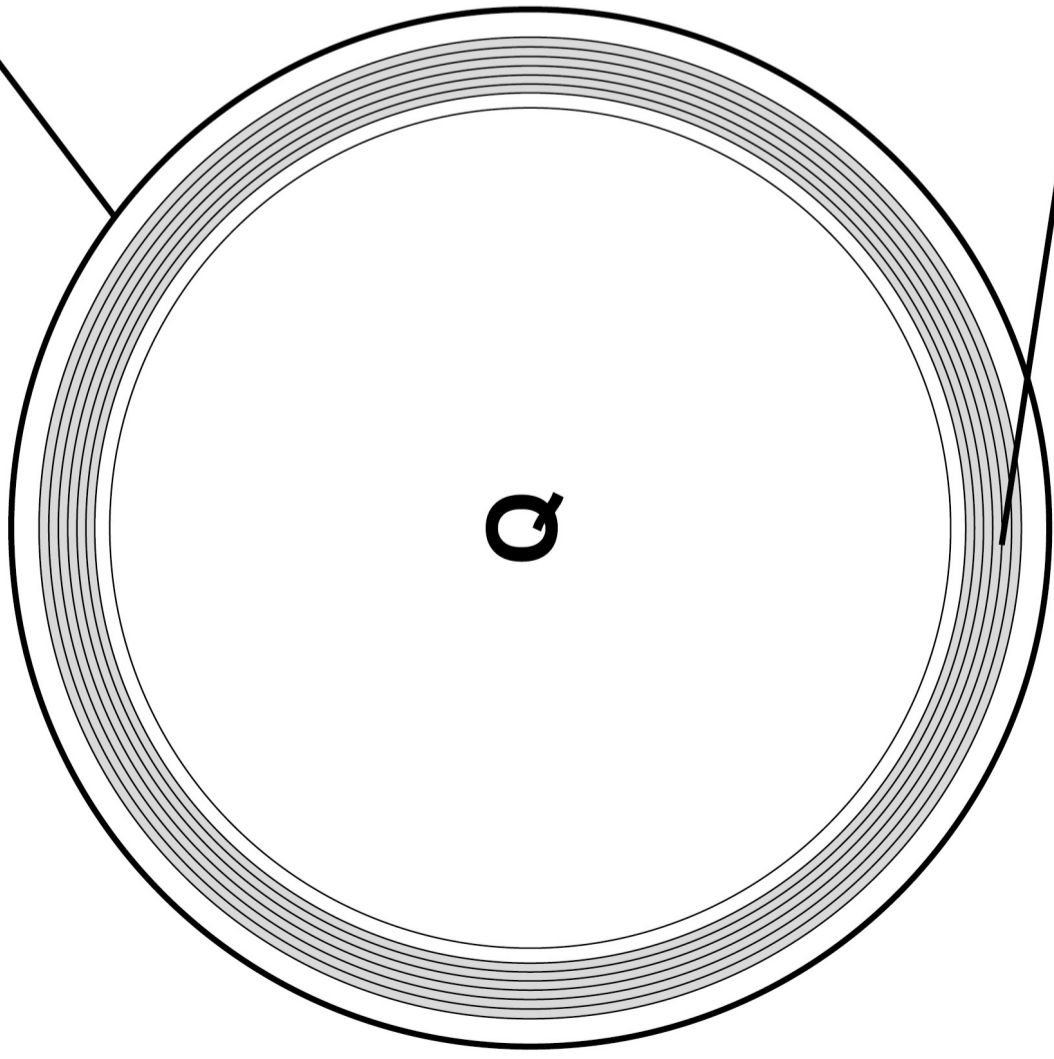
A sensor placed at Q detects B_H , the horizontal component of the magnetic flux density.

The effect of the Earth's magnetic field at Q is negligible.



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FIGURE 7a

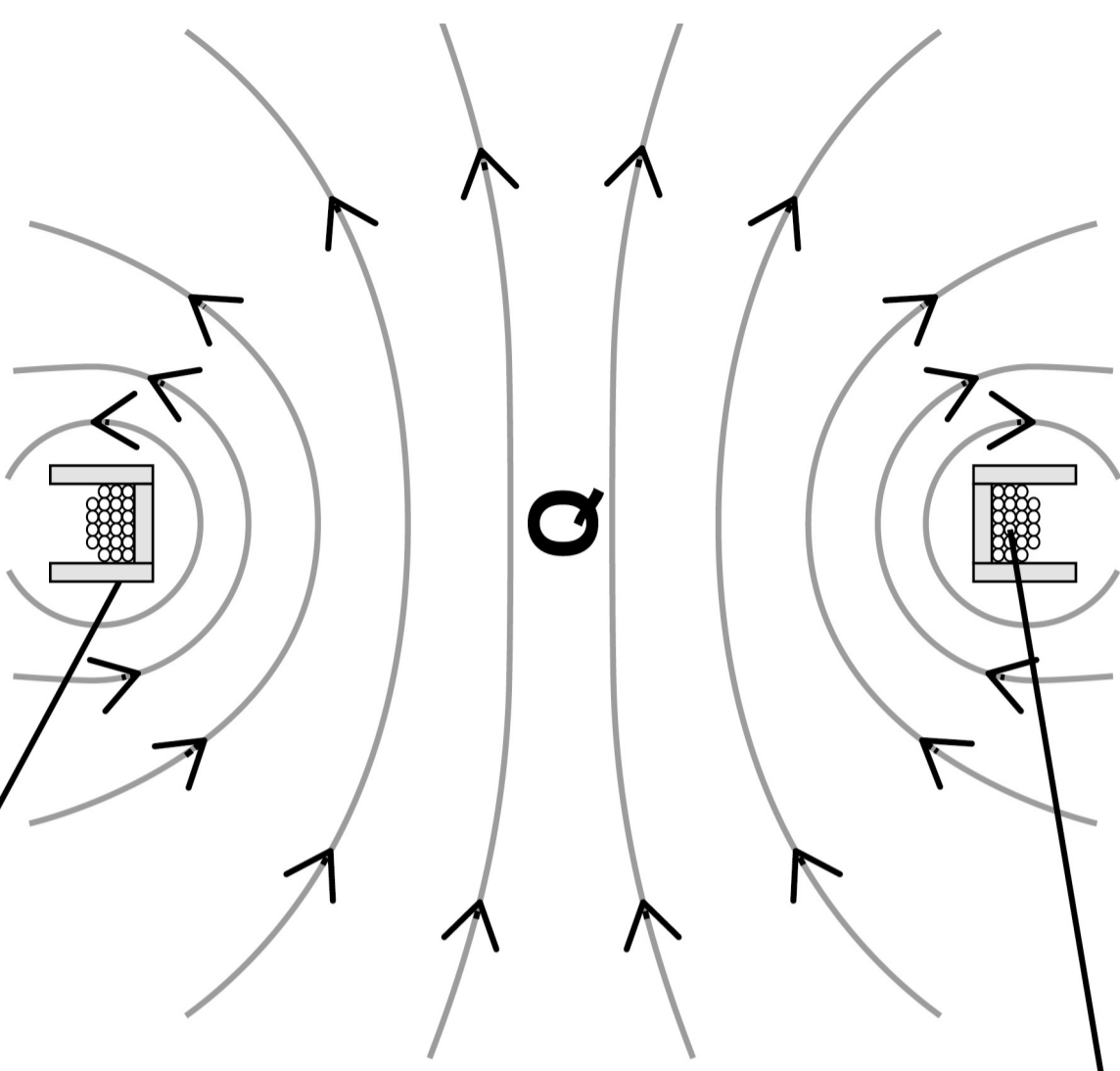


**circular
frame**

coil

front view

FIGURE 7b



side view

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03.1

Discuss whether a search coil is a suitable sensor to detect B_H . [2 marks]

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B_H is measured at Q with the coil vertical.

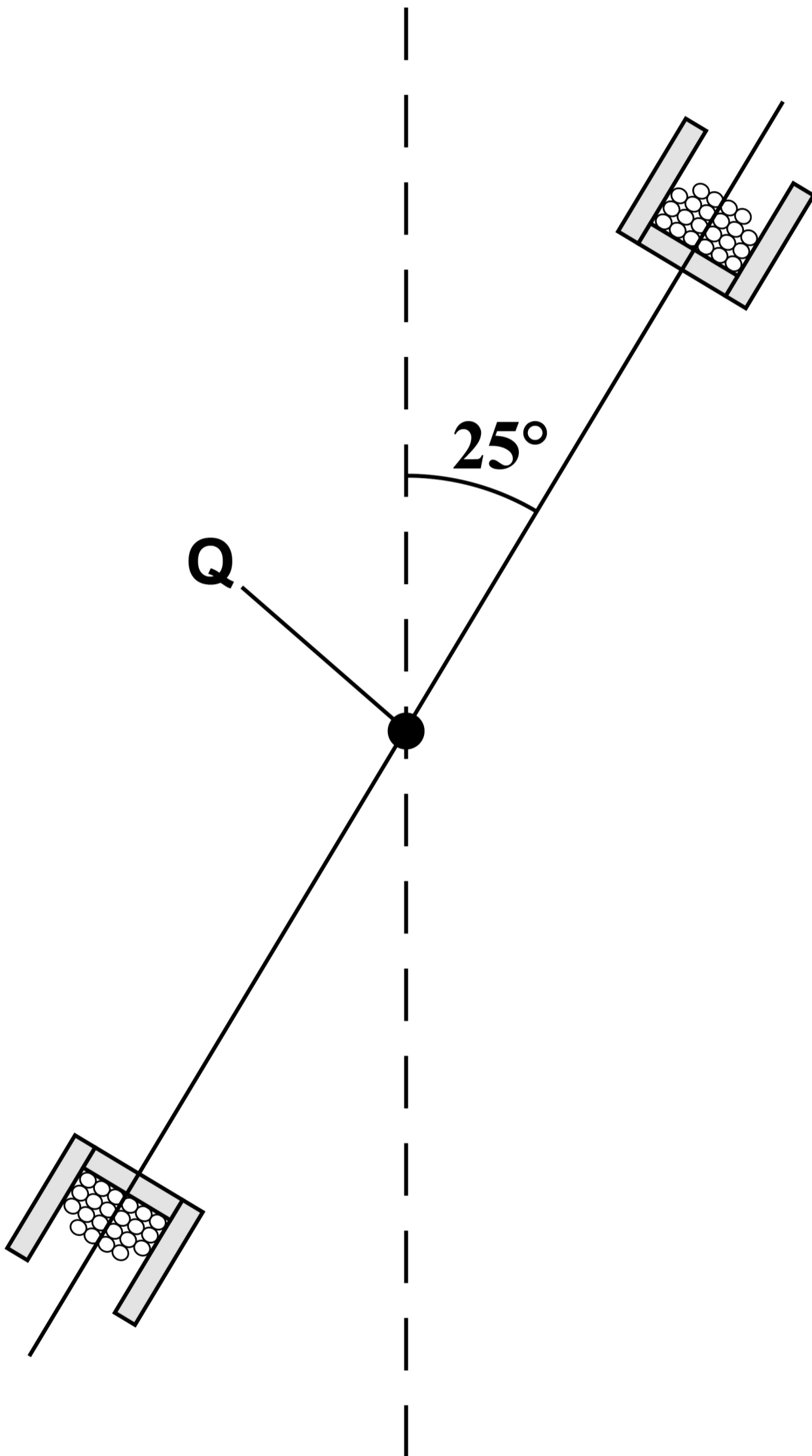
The coil is now rotated about Q through 25° as shown in FIGURE 8, on page 46.

The current in the coil does not change.

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FIGURE 8



A new measurement of B_H is made with the coil fixed in this new position.

03.2

Determine the percentage change in B_H produced by this rotation of the coil.
Show your working. [2 marks]

percentage change = _____ %

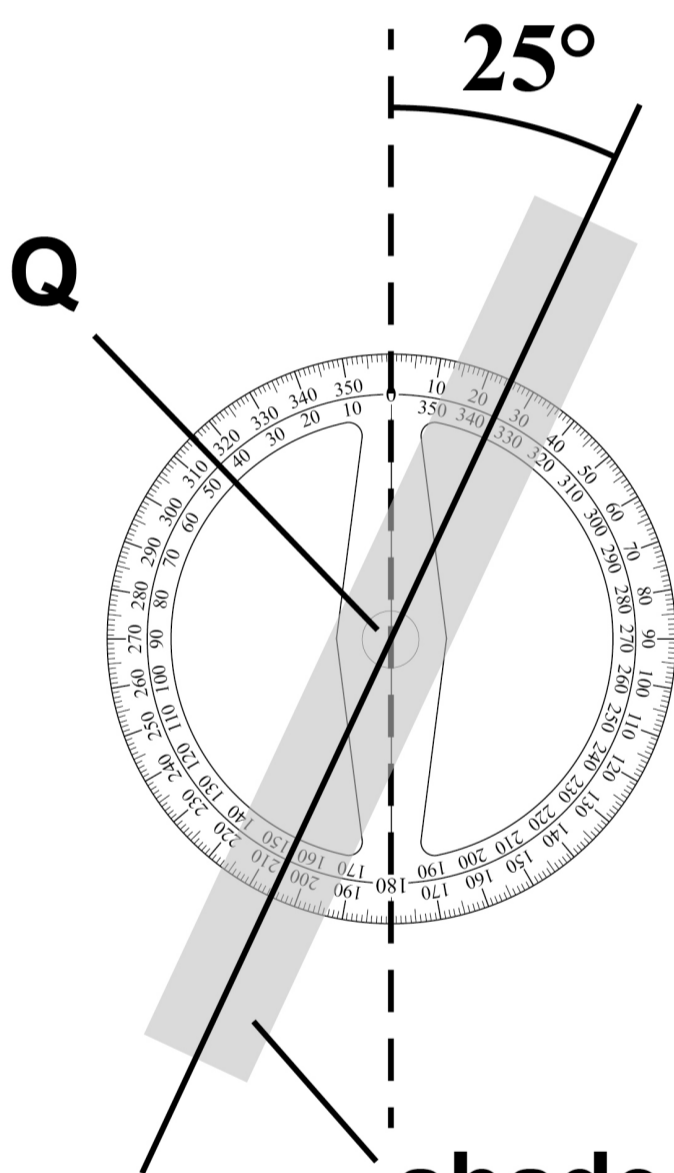
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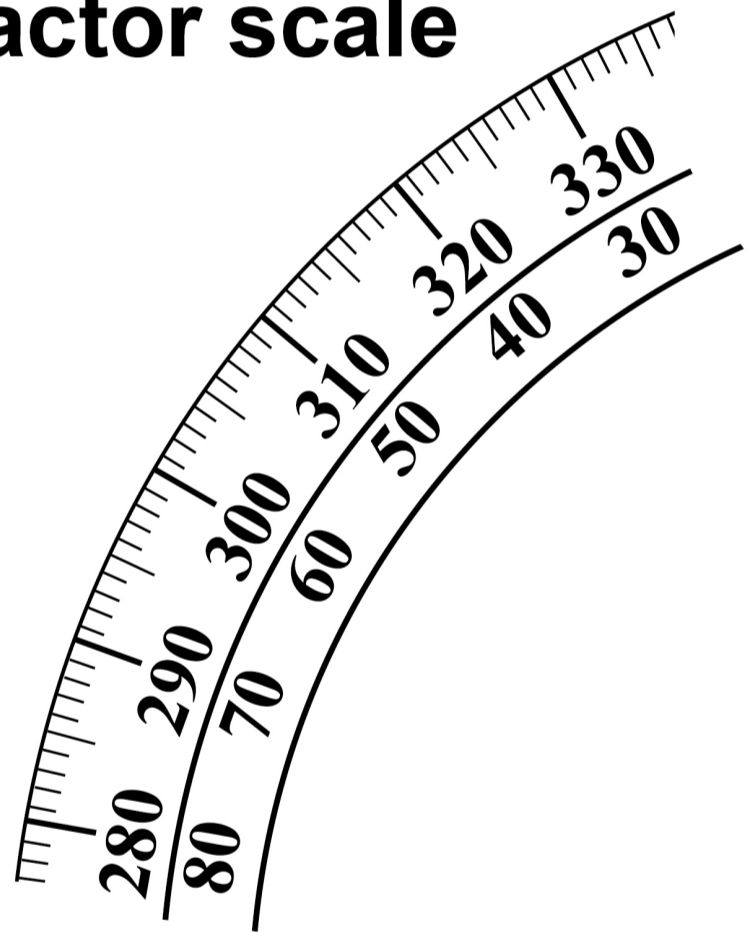
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FIGURE 9 shows a protractor being used to measure the angle through which the coil is rotated.

FIGURE 9



enlarged view of divisions on protractor scale



shaded area shows the position of the frame

Estimate the percentage uncertainty in this result.

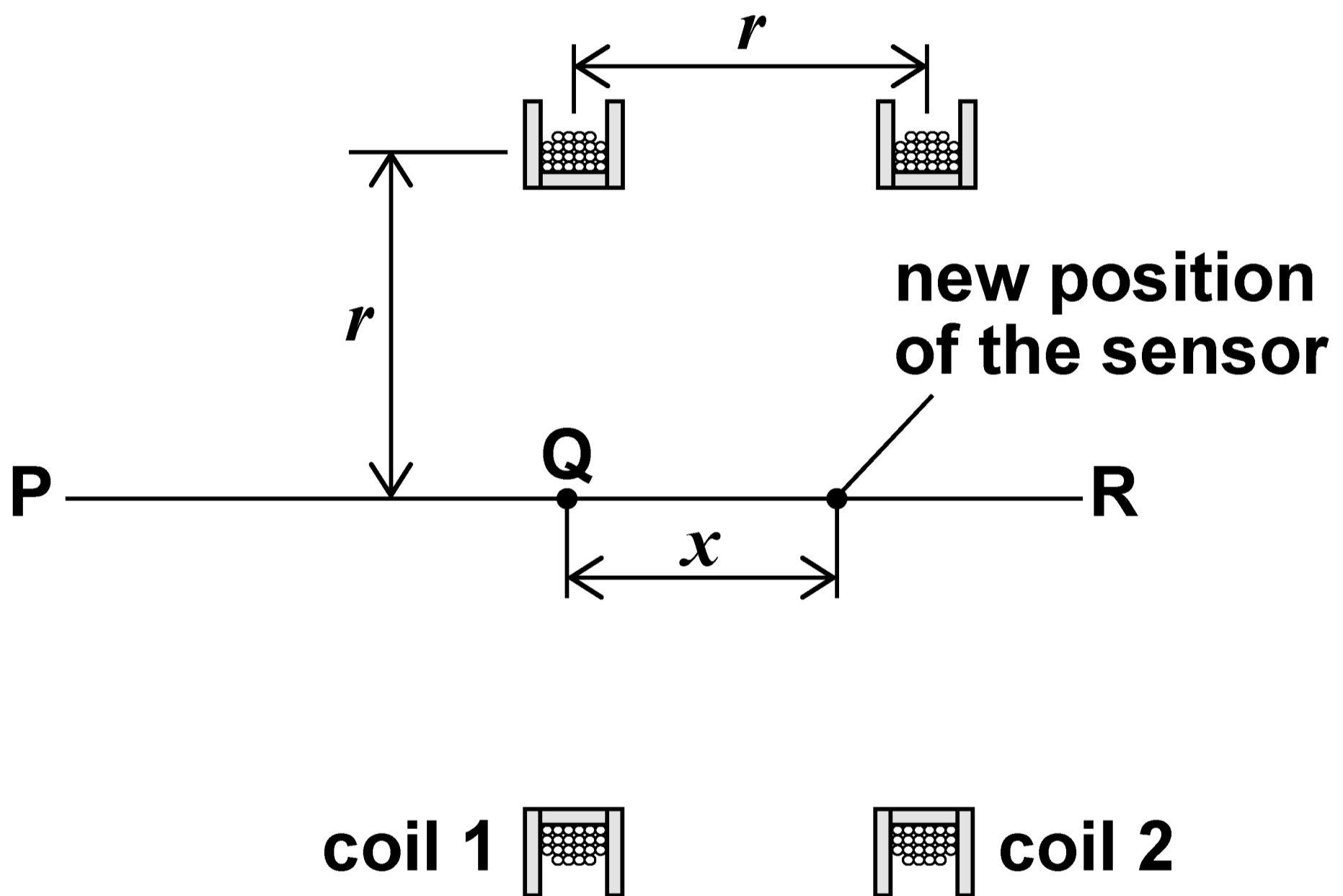
Justify your answer. [3 marks]



FIGURE 10 shows an arrangement of two vertical coils.

Four experiments are done using this arrangement.

FIGURE 10



Coil 1 and coil 2 are identical and have a radius r .

The coils are separated by a distance r and have a common axis **PR.**

Q is at the centre of coil 1.



The four different experiments investigate how B_H varies with x , the displacement of the sensor from Q along PR.

In experiment 1, the current in coil 1 is 225 mA and the current in coil 2 is zero.

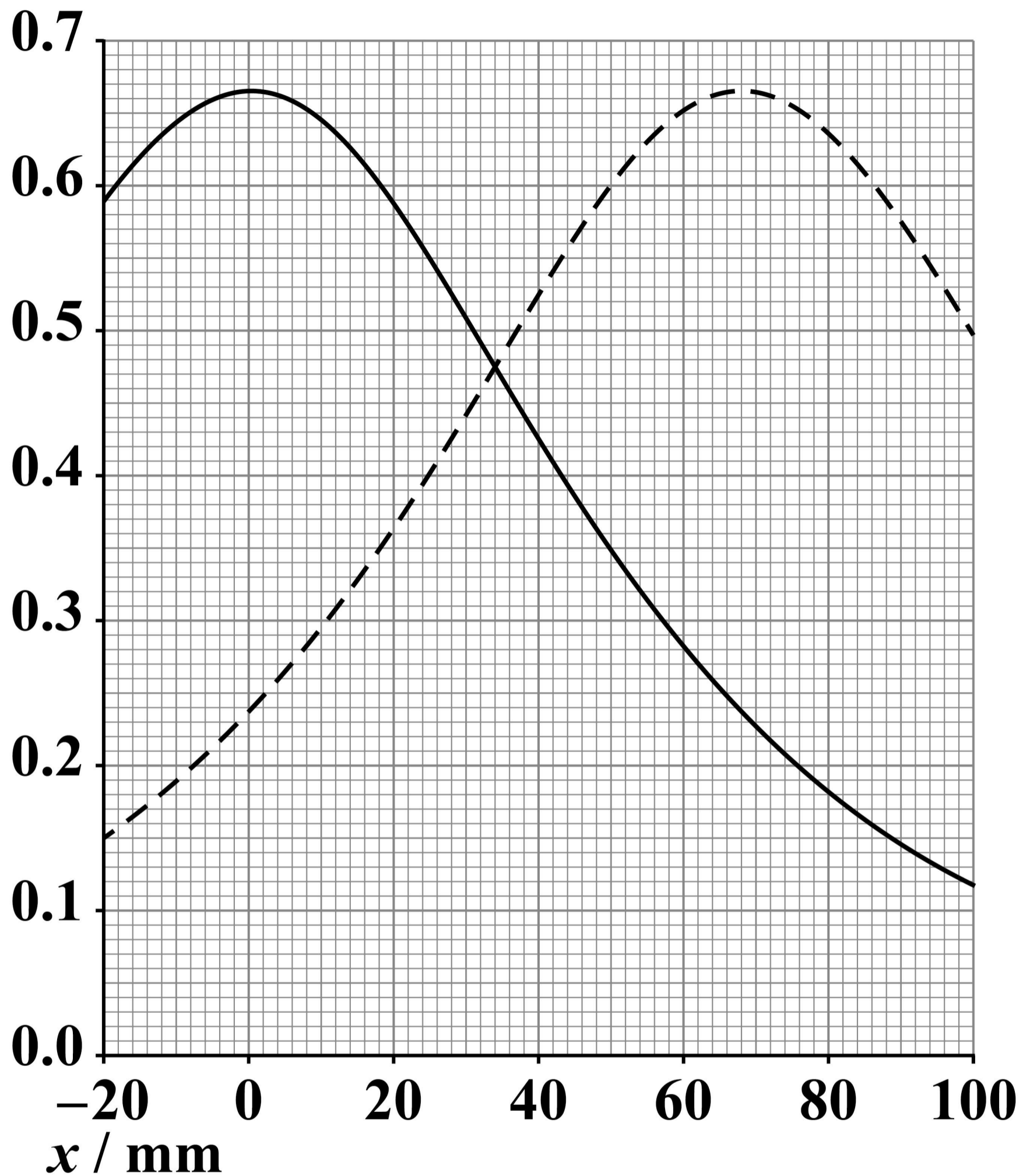
In experiment 2, the current in coil 1 is zero and the current in coil 2 is 225 mA.

FIGURE 11, on page 52, shows the results of experiment 1 and experiment 2.

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FIGURE 11

 B_H / mT 

KEY

— experiment 1

- - - experiment 2



03.4

During experiment 1, B_H is measured with the sensor at Q.

The sensor is then moved along PR until the value of B_H is halved.

The distance from Q to the sensor is $x_{0.5}$

Determine $\frac{x_{0.5}}{r}$ [2 marks]

$$\frac{x_{0.5}}{r} =$$

[Turn over]



In experiment 3, the current in both coils is 225 mA so that the magnetic fields produced by coil 1 and coil 2 are combined.

The resultant B_H has a constant maximum value in the region between

$$x = \frac{r}{4} \text{ and } x = \frac{3r}{4}$$

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Deduce, in mT, the value of B_H in this region. [2 marks]



$B_H =$ _____ **mT**

[Turn over]



03.6

**State TWO characteristics of the magnetic field lines in this region.
[2 marks]**

1 _____

2 _____

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03.7

In experiment 4, the current in coil 2 is reversed so that the direction of the magnetic field produced by coil 2 is also reversed.

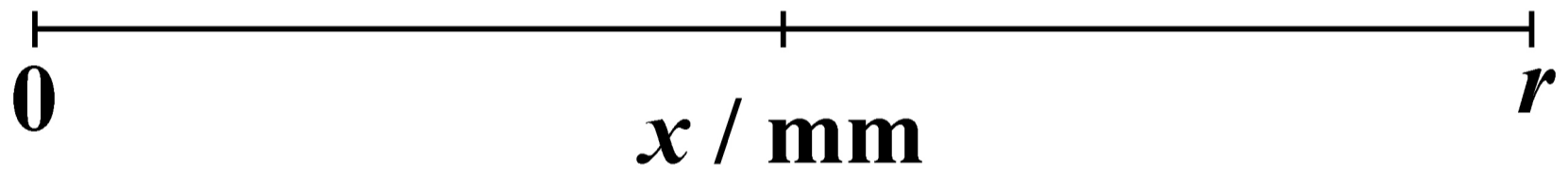
The magnitudes of the currents in coil 1 and coil 2 are still 225 mA.

On the opposite page, sketch a graph to show how B_H varies between $x = 0$ and $x = r$.

The x -axis has been provided for you.

Your graph should include numerical values on your B_H axis that correspond to $x = 0$ and $x = r$. [3 marks]





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