

11 David puts a block of ice into a cool-box. He wishes to model the mass m kg of the remaining block of ice at time t hours later. He finds that when $t = 5$, $m = 2.1$, and when $t = 50$, $m = 0.21$.

(a) David at first guesses that the mass may be inversely proportional to time. Show that this model fits his measurements. **[3]**

(b) Explain why this model

(i) is not suitable for small values of t , **[1]**

(ii) cannot be used to find the time for the block to melt completely. **[1]**

David instead proposes a linear model $m = at + b$, where a and b are constants.

(c) Find the values of the constants for which the model fits the mass of the block when $t = 5$ and $t = 50$. **[3]**

(d) Interpret these values of a and b . **[2]**

(e) Find the time according to this model for the block of ice to melt completely. **[1]**