

GENERAL ENGINEERING SCIENCE I

Attempt ALL questions.

Marks for each question are shown in brackets.

Section A

1.

Simplify EACH of the following and rearrange to make x the subject of the expression:

(a)

$$y = \frac{bx^3}{x^2} + \frac{x^4}{4b} \quad (4)$$

(b)

$$y = \frac{x^2 \times z^3}{z^2} \times \frac{2x^5 \times z}{x^2} \quad (4)$$

2.

A cable stretched between two fixings sags under its own weight. The amount to which it sags is given by the approximate expression;

$$S = \sqrt{\left(\frac{3d(L-d)}{8}\right)}$$

Determine the value for L to 2 decimal places when $S = 3.25$ and $d = 50$. (8)

Note: Units can be ignored.

3. ✓ Determine the area of the shaded sector shown in Fig Q3 for the angles given.

$$\text{Angle, } a = \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ rads}$$

$$\text{Angle, } b = \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ rads}$$

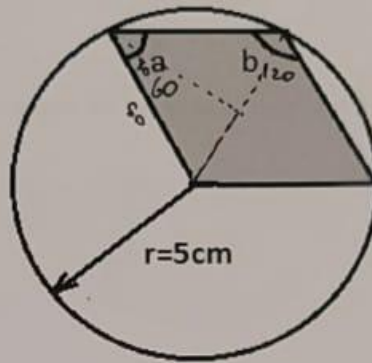


Fig Q3

(8)

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4. ✓ (a) Plot the following (x,y) data on a graph.

(4)

x	3	2	1	0	-1	-2
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(b) Determine an expression relating the x and y coordinates.

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(c) Determine the value of y when x = 1.5.

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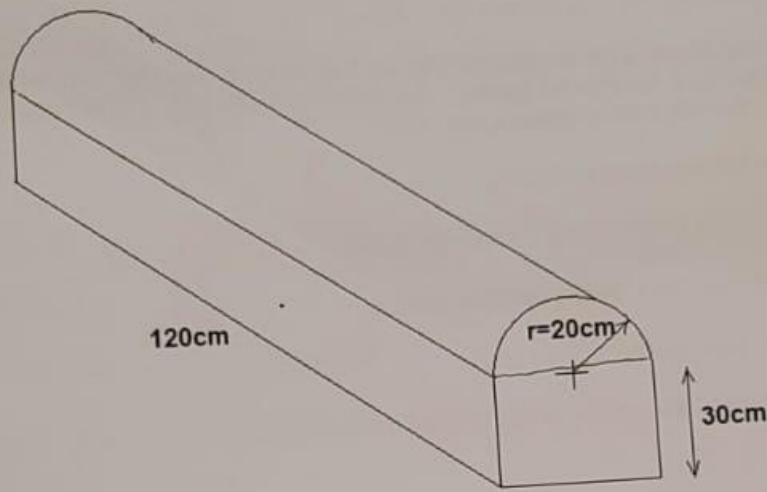


Fig Q5

Determine EACH of the following:

(a) the volume of the beam;

(b) the total surface area of the beam.

(3)

(5)

6. A sphere and a cone have the same volumes. The radius of the sphere is the same as the radius of the cone base.

Determine EACH of the following:

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(b) check your answer to Q6(a) by calculation for a sphere of radius 2 cm.

(4)

(4)

Section B .

7. A stationary block with a mass of 150 kg has a force applied to it which causes acceleration in a horizontal plane. The force of 1950 N is applied at an angle of 15° below the horizontal pulling the block.

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- (a) the applied force in the horizontal plane; (1)
- (b) the applied force in the vertical plane; (1)
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8. Fig Q8 shows a cross section of a wind turbine support column. The turbine rotor assembly has an effective mass of 30 tonnes on top of the column. The column has a rectangular central section of length 1 m joined by semi-circular ends.

- (a) If the compressive stress limit is 350 MN/m^2 determine whether the column can withstand the load; (4)
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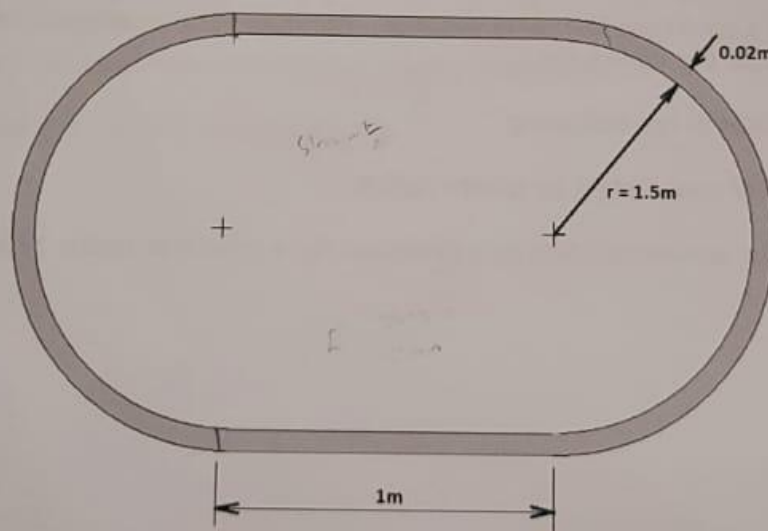


Fig Q8 (not to scale)

(4)

- ✓ 9. (a) Define density and use the definition to derive the units for density. (2)
- (b) Define work (work done) as it is used in engineering and use the definition to derive the units for work done. (4)
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- ✓ 10. A pump on a water main discharges through a pipe of 100 mm diameter against a head of 32 m at a constant velocity of 3.5 m/s. You can ignore the effects of friction in the pump and pipe-work.

Note: Density of seawater 1025 kg/m^3

Determine EACH of the following:

- (a) the power of the pump; (4)
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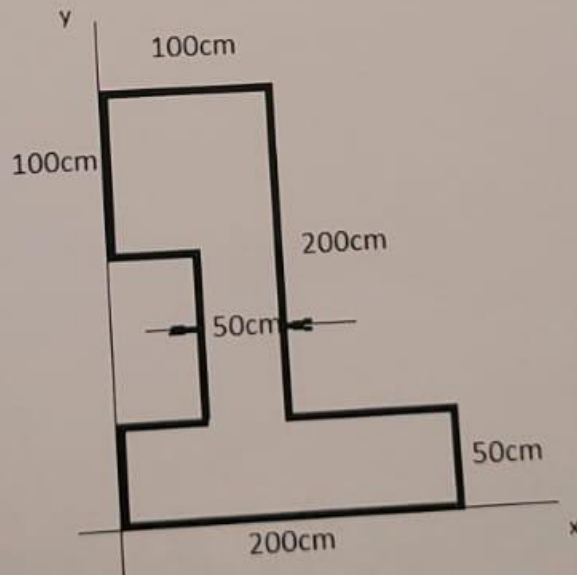


Fig Q11

12. A winch raises a mass of 500 kg through a distance of 12 m in 10 seconds. The power input to the system is measured at 7.5 kW.

Determine EACH of the following:

- (a) the work done in lifting the load;
(b) the system efficiency.

$$W = F \times d$$
$$= 500 \times 9.81 \times 12$$



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$$a) y = \frac{bx^{\cancel{3}}}{x^{\cancel{2}}} \div \frac{x^4}{4b}$$

$$\frac{bx}{1} \times \frac{4b}{x^4}$$

$$y = \frac{4b^2 \cancel{x}}{x^{\cancel{4}3}}$$

$$y = \frac{4b^2}{x^3}$$

$$x^3 = \frac{4b^2}{y}$$

$$x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{4b^2}{y}}$$

$$b) y = \frac{\cancel{z^2} z^{\cancel{3}}}{z^{\cancel{2}}} \times \frac{2x^5 z}{\cancel{z^2}}$$

$$y = z \cdot 2x^5 z$$

$$y = 2z^2 x^5$$

$$\frac{y}{2z^2} = x^5$$

$$\sqrt[5]{\frac{y}{2z^2}} = x$$

- 2) A cable stretched between two fixings sags under its own weight. The amount to which it sags is given by the approximate expression;

$$S = \sqrt{\left(\frac{3d(L-d)}{8}\right)}$$

Determine the value for L to 2 decimal places when $S = 3.25$ and $d = 50$. (8)

Note: Units can be ignored.

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{3d(L-d)}{8}}$$

$$3.25 = \sqrt{\frac{3 \times 50(L-50)}{8}}$$

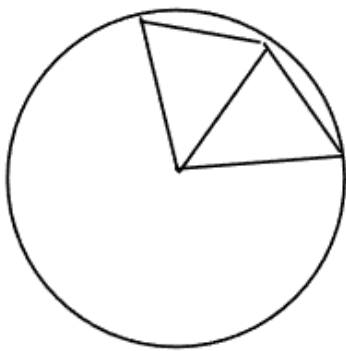
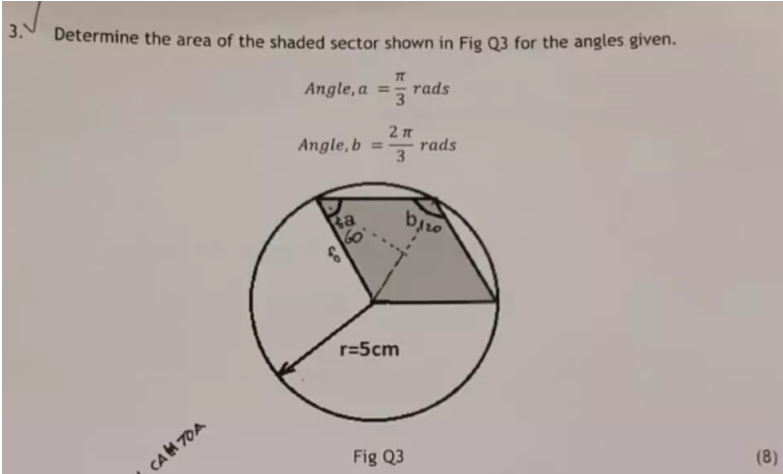
$$10.5625 = \frac{150(L-50)}{8}$$

$$\frac{10.5625 \times 8}{150} = L - 50$$

$$0.5633333 = L - 50$$

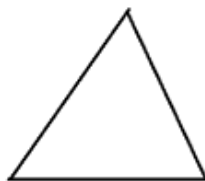
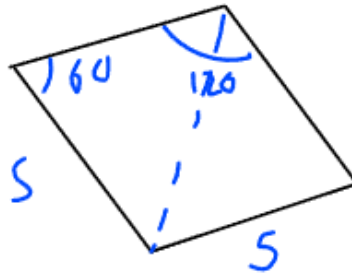
$$50.563333 = L$$

$$\boxed{50.56}$$



$$a = \frac{\pi}{3} = 60^\circ$$

$$b = \frac{2\pi}{3} = 120^\circ$$



$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} ab \sin C$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} \times 5 \times 5 \sin 60 \right) \times 2$$

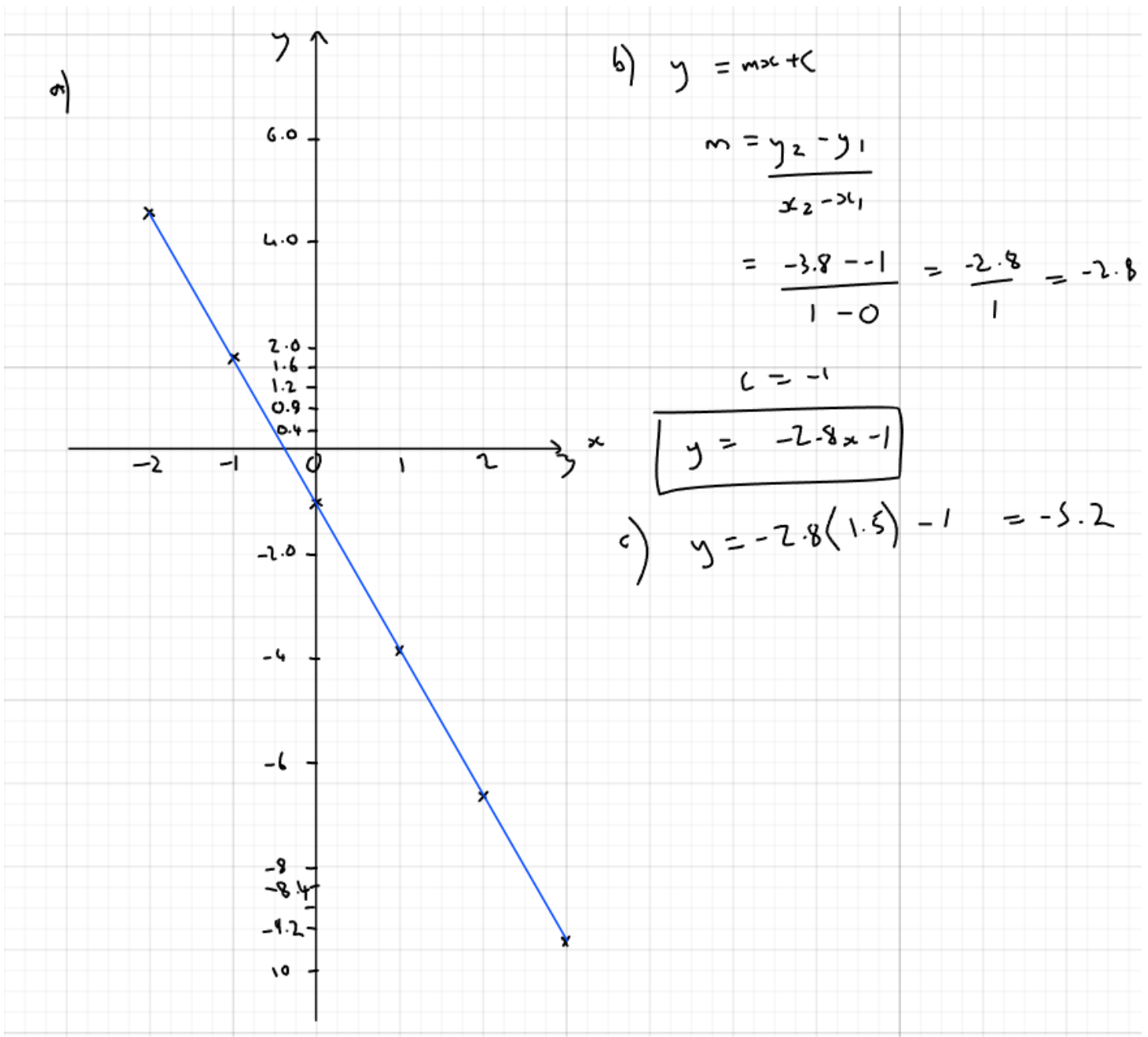
$$\text{Area} = 21.65 \text{ cm}^2$$

4 ✓ (a) Plot the following (x,y) data on a graph. (4)

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y	-9.4	-6.6	-3.8	-1	1.8	-4.6

(b) Determine an expression relating the x and y coordinates. (4)

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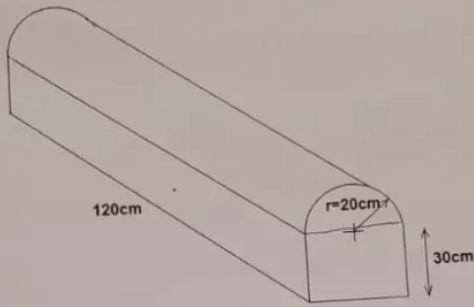


Fig Q5

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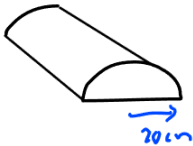
(a) the volume of the beam;

(3)

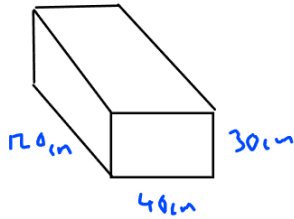
(b) the total surface area of the beam.

(5)

a) volume.



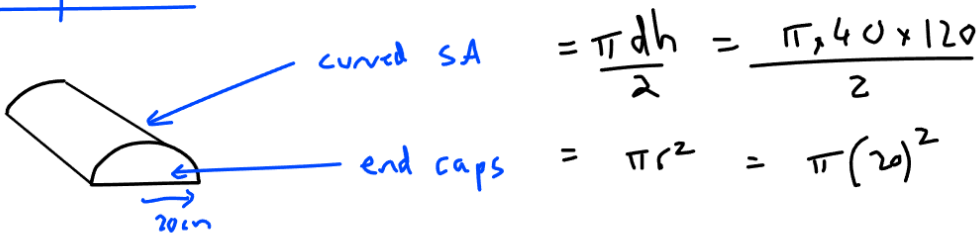
$$vol = \frac{\pi r^2 h}{2} = \frac{\pi (20)^2 \times 120}{2} = 75398.22$$



$$vol = 120 \times 40 \times 30 = 144000 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\text{total vol} = 219398 \text{ cm}^3$$

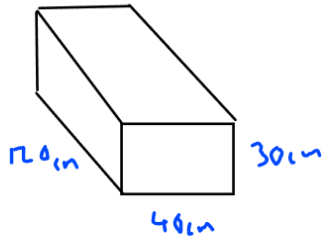
b) Surface Area



$$\text{curved SA} = \frac{\pi dh}{2} = \frac{\pi \times 40 \times 120}{2}$$

$$\text{end caps} = \pi r^2 = \pi (20)^2$$

} 8796.4594



$$\text{Front + back} = (30 \times 40) \times 2$$

$$\text{left + right} = (120 \times 30) \times 2$$

$$\text{base} = (120 \times 40)$$

} 14400

$$\text{total SA} = 23196.5 \text{ cm}^2$$

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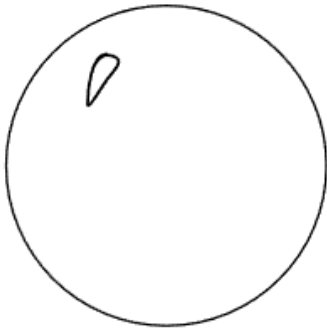
(a) the ratio of cone height to sphere radius;

(4)

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(4)

a)



$$V_s$$

=

$$V_c$$

$$\frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$

=

$$\frac{\pi r^2 h}{3}$$

$$\frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$

=

$$\frac{\pi r^2 h}{3}$$

$$4 r^3$$

=

$$r^2 h$$

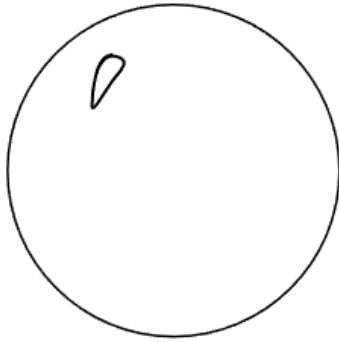
$$4r = h$$

$$\text{when } r=1 \quad h=4$$

height : radius

$$4 : 1$$

b)



$$V_c = \frac{4}{3} \pi (2)^3 = \frac{\pi (2)^2 h}{3}$$

$$33.51032 = 4.1887 h$$

$$\frac{33.51032}{4.1887} =$$

$$7.9999 = h$$

Yes, it works

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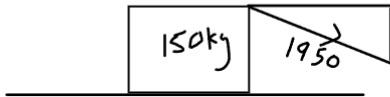
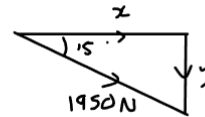
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Horizontal

x
CAH

$$\cos 15 = \frac{x}{1950}$$

$$1950 \cos 15 = x$$

$$x = 1883.555 \text{ N}$$

→
Push

Vertical

y
SOH

$$\sin 15 = \frac{y}{1950}$$

$$1950 \sin 15 = y$$

$$y = 504.697 \text{ N}$$

↓ Down

a) Horizontal force Applied 1883.555 N

b) Vertical 504.697 N

Net Vertical

$mg + \text{down}$

$$150 \times 9.81 + 504.697$$

c) 1976.197 N

Net normal

$$\text{Friction} = \mu N$$

$$= 0.2 \times 1976.197$$

$$= 395.2394 \text{ N}$$

Net Horizontal

Push - Friction

$$1883.555 - 395.2394$$

$$1488.3157 \text{ N}$$

Accel

$$F = ma$$

$$\frac{1488.3155}{150} = 9.9221 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$150$$

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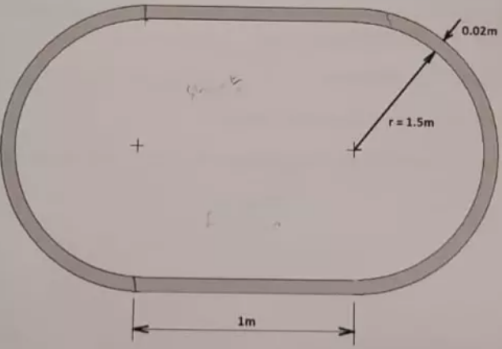
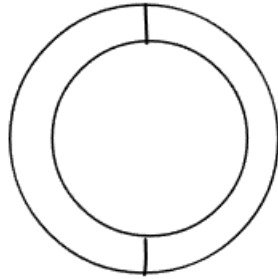


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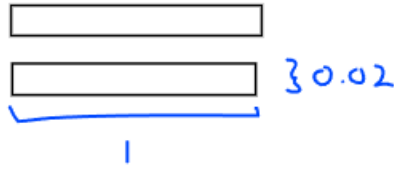
$$a) \text{ Stress} = \frac{F}{A}$$

b)

Area =



$$\begin{aligned} \pi R^2 - \pi r^2 \\ \pi (1.52)^2 - \pi (1.5)^2 \\ = 0.1897521 \text{ m}^2 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= (0.02 \times 1) \times 2 \\ &= 0.04 \text{ m}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Total Area} = 0.2297521 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\text{Stress} = \frac{30,000 \times 9.81}{0.2297521} = 12,809,453.17 \text{ N/m}^2$$

1.28 MN/m²

limit is 350 MN/m²

Yes can withstand load

$$b) \quad E_{\text{as}} = \frac{\text{Stress}}{\text{Strain}}$$

$$196 \times 10^9 = \frac{1280945.317}{\text{Strain}}$$

$$\text{Strain} = \frac{1280945.317}{196 \times 10^9}$$

$$= \boxed{6.5354 \times 10^{-6}}$$

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- (b) Define work (work done) as it is used in engineering and use the definition to derive the units for work done. (4)
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$$\text{Density} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}}$$

$$\text{Units} = \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

a) Density is a measure of how tightly packed a mass (kg) is into a given space (meters cubed)

Density is a measure of how tightly

$$\text{work} = \text{force} \times \text{distance}$$
$$\text{J} = \text{N} \times \text{m}$$

b) work is a measure of Joules expended to get a job done. Usually calculated using the force applied multiplied by the distance over which it is applied. It is independent of time, and this is for a constant force. Units are Nm or Joules.

$$Q_{in} = Q_{out}$$

c) energy is never created or destroyed, only transferred. So the total amount of energy entering a system must be equal to the total amount of energy leaving a system.

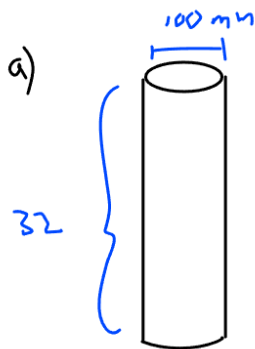
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Note: Density of seawater 1025 kg/m³

Determine EACH of the following:

(a) the power of the pump; (4)

(b) the motor power to drive the pump if the combined electrical and mechanical efficiency is 88%. (4)



$$P = \frac{mgh}{t} \text{ vel}$$

mass of water in pipe = vol × density

$$\pi r^2 h \times 1025$$
$$\pi \left(\frac{100}{2000}\right)^2 \times 32 \times 1025 = 257.61 \text{ kg}$$

$$P = 257.61 \times 9.81 \times 3.5$$
$$8845.059 \text{ watts}$$

b)

$$\text{Eff} = \frac{\text{theoretical}}{\text{Actual}}$$

$$0.88 = \frac{8845.059}{\text{Actual}}$$

$$\text{Actual} = \frac{8845.059}{0.88}$$

$$10051.2 \text{ Watts}$$

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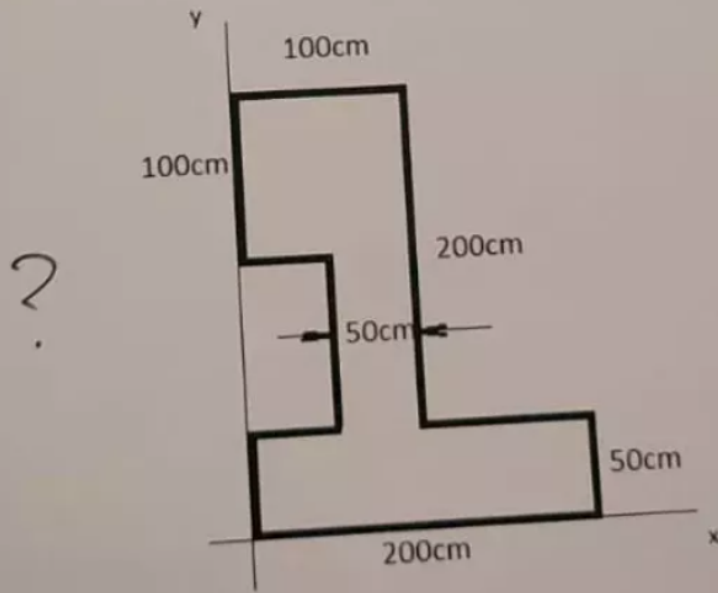
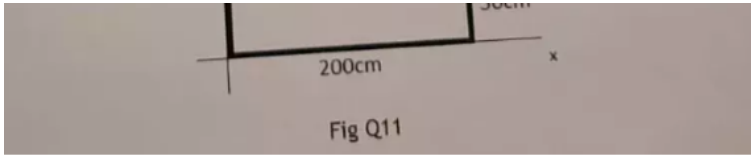


Fig Q11



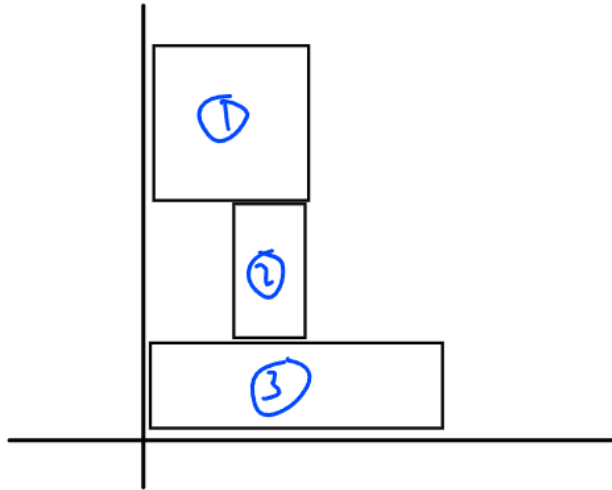
area = mass

Area = mass

① 1 m^2

② $= 0.5 \times 1 = 0.5 \text{ m}^2$

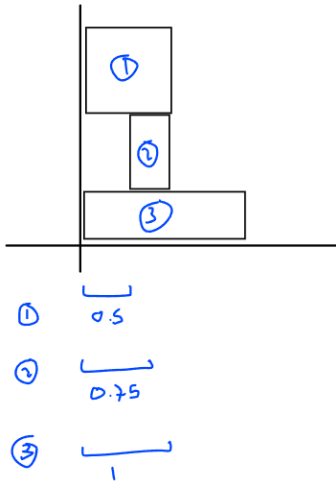
③ $2 \times 0.5 = 1 \text{ m}^2$



Horizontal Centroid

taking moments from the left hand side.

sum of downwards force = sum of upwards forces



Name	Mass	Force	Distance	Moment	Direction
①	1	/	0.5	0.5	⌈
②	0.5	/	0.75	0.375	⌈
③	1	/	1	1	⌈
①+②+③	2.5	/	x	2.5x	A

sum of clockwise moments = sum of anticlockwise moments

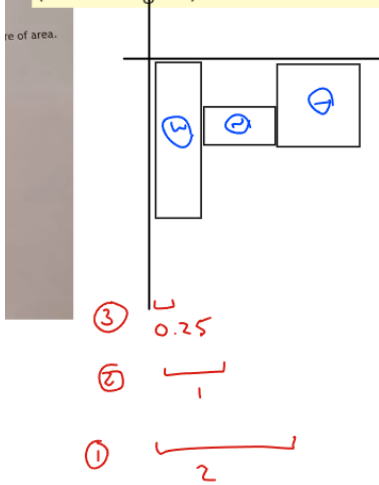
$0.5 + 0.375 + 1 = 2.5x$

$0.75 = x$

Vertical Centroid

taking moments from the left hand side.
(base of original)

sum of downwards force = sum of upwards forces



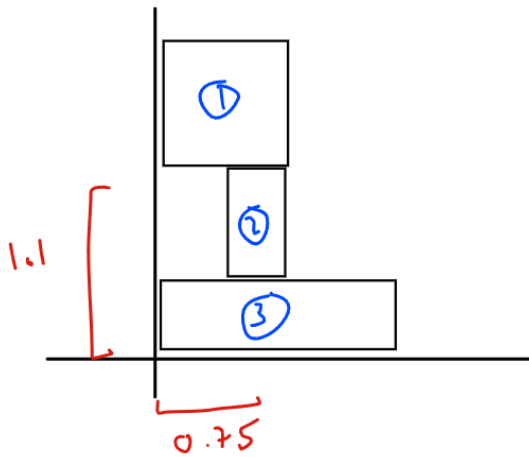
Name	Mass	Force	Distance	Moment	Direction
①	1	/	2	2	⌈
②	0.5	/	1	0.5	⌈
③	1	/	0.25	0.25	⌈
①+②+③	2.5	/	y	2.5y	A

sum of clockwise moments = sum of anticlockwise moments

$$2 + 0.5 + 0.25 = 2.5y$$

$$2.75 = 2.5y$$

$$1.1 = y$$



Centroid is

0.75 m from left hand side

1.1 m up from base.

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The power input to the system is measured at 7.5 kW.

Determine EACH of the following:

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a) $work = mgh$

$$500 \times 9.81 \times 12$$

$$58860 \text{ J}$$

b) $eff = \frac{\text{theoretical}}{\text{Actual}}$

$$P = \frac{mgh}{t} = \frac{58860}{10} = 5886 \text{ watts}$$

$$\frac{5886}{7500} \times 100 = 78.48 \%$$