

- 3 (a) A uniform metal bar, initially unstretched, has sides of length w , x and y , as shown in Fig. 3.1.

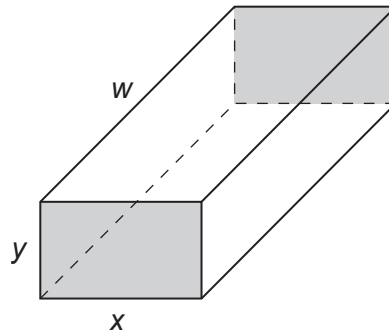


Fig. 3.1

The bar is now stretched by a tensile force F applied to the shaded ends. The changes in the lengths x and y are negligible. The bar now has sides of length x , y and z , as shown in Fig. 3.2.

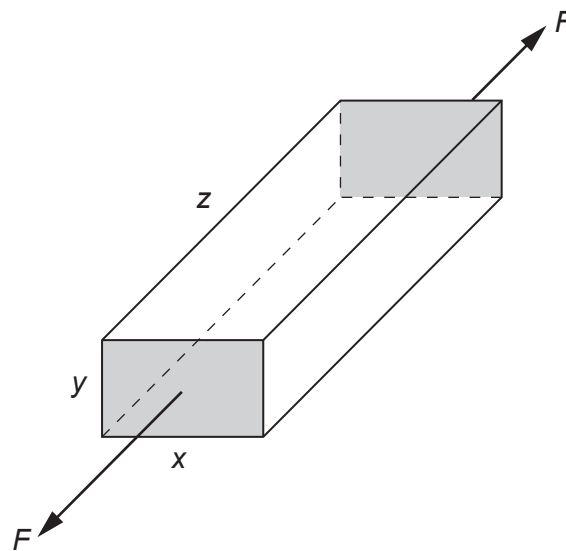


Fig. 3.2

Determine expressions, in terms of some or all of F , w , x , y and z , for:

- (i) the stress σ applied to the bar by the tensile force

$$\sigma = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (ii) the strain ε in the bar due to the tensile force

$$\varepsilon = \dots\dots\dots [1]$$

- (iii) the Young modulus E of the metal from which the bar is made.

$$E = \dots\dots\dots [2]$$

- (b) A copper wire is stretched by a tensile force that gradually increases from 0 to 280 N. The variation with extension of the tensile force is shown in Fig. 3.3.

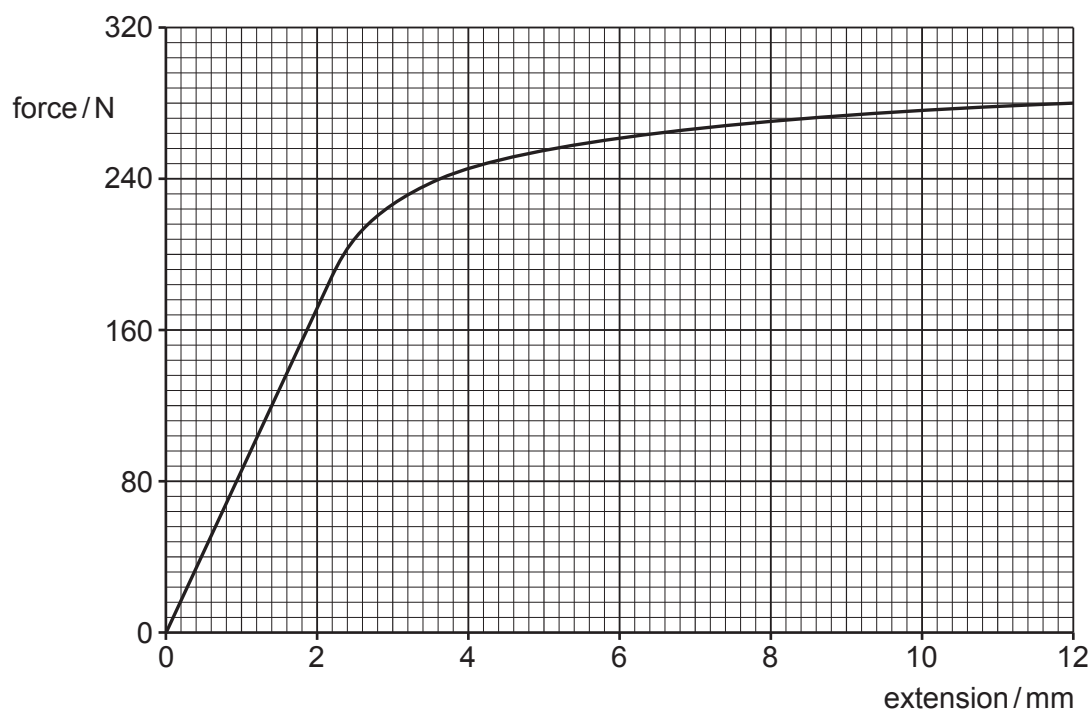


Fig. 3.3

- (i) State the maximum extension of the wire for which it obeys Hooke's law.

extension = mm [1]

- (ii) Fig. 3.3 to determine the strain energy in the wire when the tensile force is 120 N.

strain energy = J [3]

- (iii) Explain why the work done in stretching the wire to an extension of 12 mm is not equal to the energy recovered when the tensile force is removed.

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[Total: 10]