

- 1 (a) Determine the SI base units of power.

SI base units of power [3]

- (b) Fig. 1.1 shows a turbine that is used to generate electrical power from the wind.

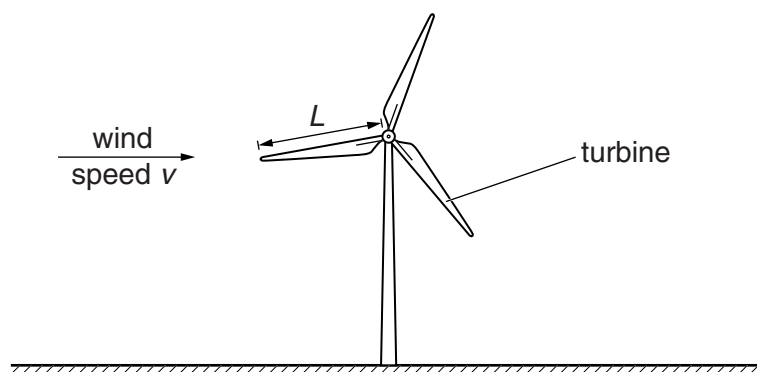


Fig. 1.1

The power P available from the wind is given by

$$P = CL^2\rho v^3$$

where L is the length of each blade of the turbine,
 ρ is the density of air,
 v is the wind speed,
 C is a constant.

- (i) Show that C has no units.

- (ii) The length L of each blade of the turbine is 25.0 m and the density ρ of air is 1.30 in SI units. The constant C is 0.931.
The efficiency of the turbine is 55% and the electric power output P is $3.50 \times 10^5 \text{ W}$.
Calculate the wind speed.

wind speed = ms^{-1} [3]

- (iii) Suggest two reasons why the electrical power output of the turbine is less than the power available from the wind.

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