

Dissertation Lab Notebook

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Need to calculate the diameter of a $1/2$ lb hemispherical charge of TNT.

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[1] from pint import UnitRegistry
import numpy as np
u = UnitRegistry()
u.auto_reduce_dimensions = True
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The density of cast TNT ranges between 1.5 g/cc and 1.6 g/cc [1] The weight of explosives to be used in the tests is $1/2$ lb. Therefore, the the volume of explosives required is,

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[11] density_TNT = 1.5*u.gram / u.cubic_centimeter
weight_TNT = 0.5*u.pound
volume_TNT = weight_TNT / density_TNT
print(volume_TNT.to_compact())
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151.19745666666668 cubic_centimeter

The density of bulk PETN ranges between 800 kg/m^3 and 900 kg/m^3 [2] The weight of explosives to be used in the tests is $1/2$ lb. Therefore, the the volume of explosives required is,

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[19] density_PETN = 850*u.kilogram / u.meter**3
weight_PETN = 0.5*u.pound
volume_PETN = (weight_PETN /
density_PETN).to('cubic_centimeters')
print(volume_PETN)
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266.8190411764706 cubic_centimeter

The density of Dyno AP is 1.5 g/cc [3] The weight of explosives to be used in the tests is $1/2 \text{ lb}$. Therefore, the the volume of explosives required is,

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[20] density_dynoap = 1.5*u.gram / u.cubic_centimeter
weight_dynoap = 0.5*u.pound
volume_dynoap = weight_dynoap / density_dynoap
print(volume_dynoap.to_compact())
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151.19745666666668 cubic_centimeter
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The formula for a hemisphere is $V = \frac{2}{3}\pi r^3$. Therefore, the $r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{3}{2\pi}V}$.

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[27] r_TNT = (3/(2*np.pi)*volume_TNT)**(1/3)
r_PETN = (3/(2*np.pi)*volume_PETN)**(1/3)
r_dynoap = (3/(2*np.pi)*volume_dynoap)**(1/3)
print('The radius of the mold for TNT is {:.3f}'.format(r_TNT.to(
u.millimeter )))
print('The radius of the mold for PETN is
{:.3f}'.format(r_PETN.to( u.millimeter )))
print('The radius of the mold for DynoAP is
{:.3f}'.format(r_dynoap.to( u.millimeter )))
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The radius of the mold for TNT is 41.639 millimeter
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The radius of the mold for PETN is 50.318 millimeter
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The radius of the mold for DynoAP is 41.639 millimeter
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