

- 4 (a) Define density.

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- (b) A U-tube contains some mercury. Water is poured into one arm of the U-tube and oil is poured into the other arm, as shown in Fig. 4.1.

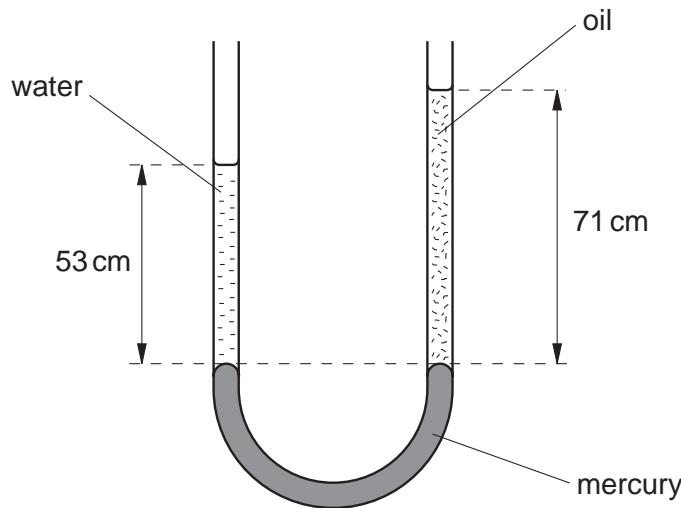


Fig. 4.1

The amounts of oil and water are adjusted until the surface of the mercury in the two arms is at the same horizontal level.

- (i) State how it is known that the pressure at the base of the column of water is the same as the pressure at the base of the column of oil.

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- (ii) The column of water, density $1.0 \times 10^3 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$, is 53 cm high. The column of oil is 71 cm high.

Calculate the density of the oil. Explain your working.