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Statics

1 a) Complete the following table relating to some fundamental quantities:

Fundamental quantity	SI unit	Symbol
Mass		
Length	metre	
Time		S
Temperature		

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b) Work and power are defined as follows:

$$work = force \times distance$$

$$power = \frac{work}{time}$$

i) Determine the SI unit of work in terms of base units.

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ii) State an alternative name for the SI unit of work.

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iii) Determine the SI unit of power in terms of base units.

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iv) State an alternative name for the SI unit of power.

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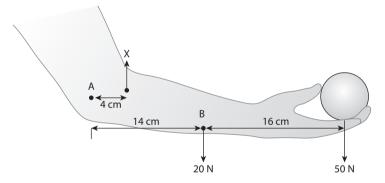
2 a) Explain what is meant by the 'moment' of a force, and state its SI unit.

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b) State the principle of moments.

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c) The diagram below shows a forearm holding a ball of weight 50 N horizontally. The elbow is at point A and acts like a fulcrum. The weight of the forearm is 20 N and is 14 cm away from the elbow. The bicep muscles exert an upward force X.



i) Use the principle of moments to calculate the force X exerted by the bicep muscles.

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ii) A downward force Y is exerted at point A. Calculate this force.

[3]

3 A Form Four student is investigating Hooke's law. She attaches various masses to a spring of length 80 cm and measures the extension produced. She obtains the following data:

Mass/g	10	30	50	80	100	150	180	200
Weight/N								
Extension/cm	0.4	1.2	2.0	3.2	4.0	6.0	7.2	8.0

a) Complete the table. $(g = 10 \text{ Nkg}^{-1})$

[4]

b) Plot a graph of extension (*y*-axis) against weight (*x*-axis). Use the graph paper on the next page.

[10]

c) From your graph, calculate the slope *S*.

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d) The spring constant is related to the slope of the graph as follows:

spring constant =
$$\frac{1}{S}$$

Calculate the spring constant and state its units.

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