

Center of Mass

Total of all Masses = M

$$x_{cm} = x_{\text{center of mass}}$$

Look for symmetry and or uniformity

For simplicity - set origin @ one of the masses

Reality checks - x_{cm} should be towards larger mass

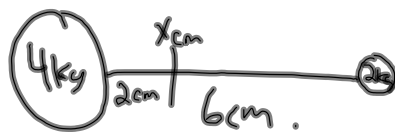
- Think of "balance point"

$$M x_{cm} = m_1 x_1 + m_2 x_2 + m_3 x_3 \dots$$

practice 5-7

4 kg m @ origin

2 kg m @ 6 m (on x-axis)



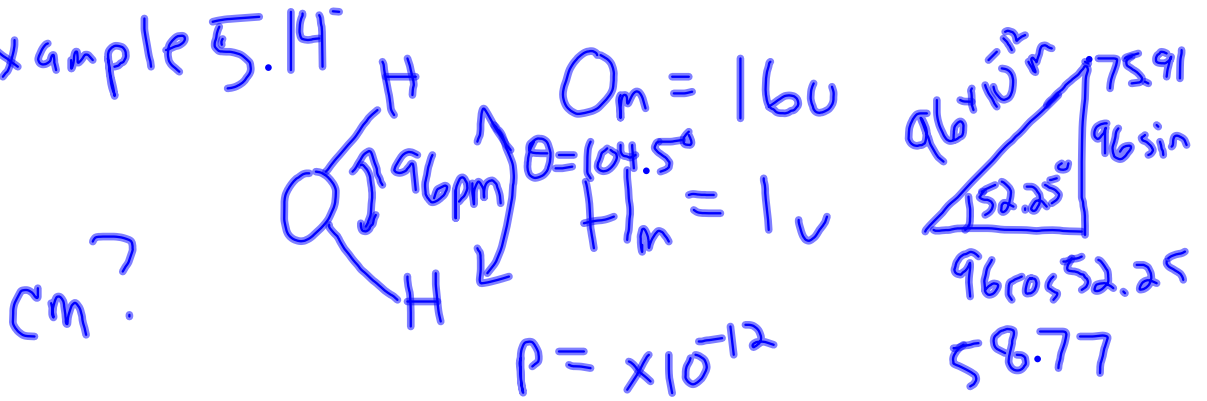
$$(4+2) x_{cm} = 4(0) + 2(6)$$

$$\frac{6 x_{cm}}{6} = \frac{12}{6}$$

$$x_{cm} = 2 \text{ cm}$$

$$M \vec{r}_{cm} = m_1 \vec{r}_1 + m_2 \vec{r}_2 + \dots$$

Example 5.14



C_m ?

$X_{cm} = ?$

$Y_{cm} = ?$

$$M X_{cm} = 16(0) + (1)(58.77) + 1(58.77)$$

$$18 X_{cm} = 117.54 \quad X_{cm} = 6.53 \mu m$$

$$M Y_{cm} = 16(0) + (1)(75.91) + (1)(-75.91)$$

$$Y_{cm} = 0 \quad C_m = (6.53, 0)$$

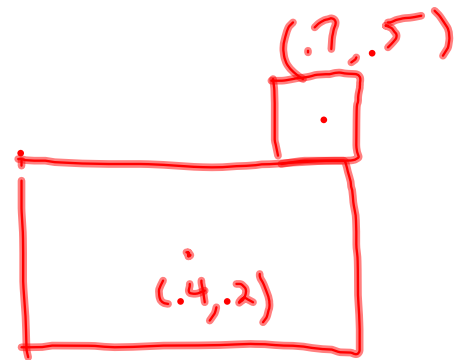
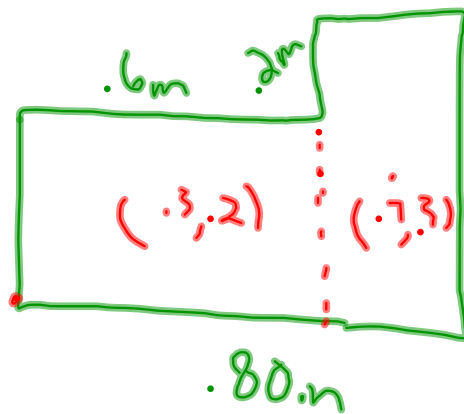
$$D = \frac{m}{V}$$

$$D = \text{const.}$$

$$m = DV$$

$$m \approx DA$$

$$m \propto A$$



$$M X_{cm} = m_1 x_1 + m_2 x_2$$

$$= ? M$$

can say

$$X_{cm} = \frac{m_1}{M} x_1 + \frac{m_2}{M} x_2 \text{ etc.}$$

$$A = (8)(4) + (2)(2)$$

$$= 32 + 4$$

$$= 36 \text{ m}^2$$

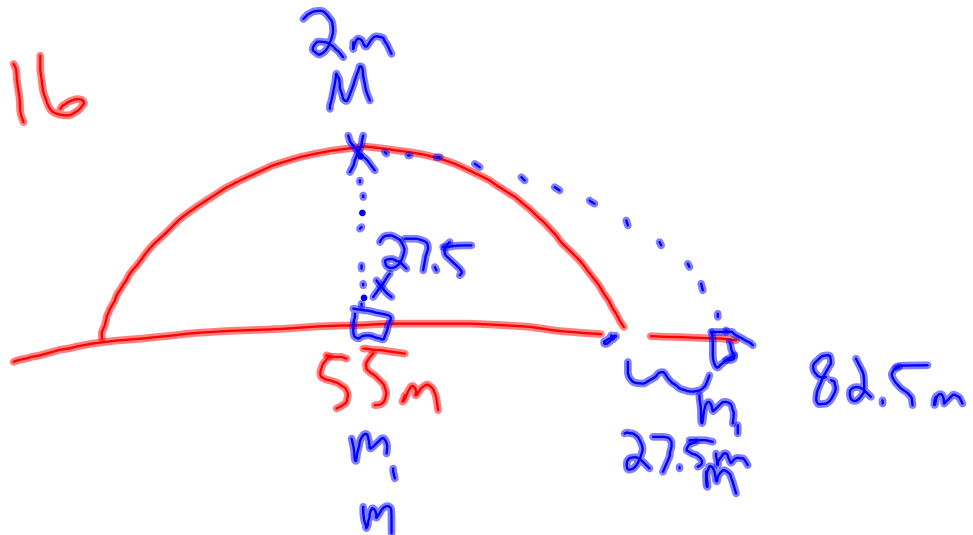
$$X_{cm} = \frac{.32}{.36} (.4) + \frac{.04}{.36} (.7)$$

$$=$$

For multiple body or part
System

$$F_{net} = \sum F_{ext} = M a_{cm}$$

px 5.16



$$M x_{cm} = m_1 x_{cm_1} + m_2 x_{cm_2}$$

$$(2m)(x_{cm}) = m x_{cm_1} + m x_{cm_2}$$