2 **J1** is a slide of a stained transverse section through a plant stem.

(a) **(i)** Draw a large plan diagram of the whole section on **J1**. Use a sharp pencil.

Use **one** ruled label line and label to identify the xylem.

[5]

(ii) Observe the epidermis of the stem on **J1**.

Select a group of **four** adjacent epidermal cells.

Each cell must touch at least **one** other cell.

- Make a large drawing of this group of **four** epidermal cells and waxy cuticle.
- Use **one** ruled label line and label to identify the waxy cuticle.

[5]

(iii) Fig. 2.1 is a photomicrograph of a stained transverse section of a stem from a different type of plant from **J1**.

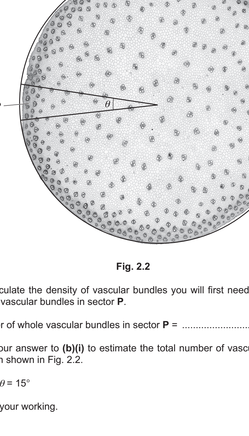

Fig. 2.1

Identify **three** observable differences, other than colour, between the stem section on **J1** and the stem section in Fig. 2.1.

Record these **three** observable differences in Table 2.1.

Table 2.1

feature	J1	Fig. 2.1
1		
2		
3		

[3]

(b) Fig. 2.2 is a photomicrograph of a stained transverse section of a stem from a different type of plant.

You will calculate the density of vascular bundles in the stem section. The circle represents the area of the stem.

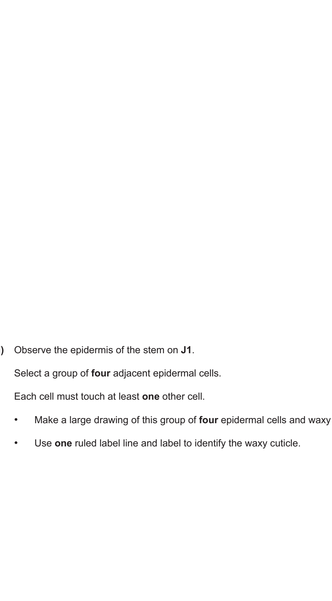

Fig. 2.2

(i) To calculate the density of vascular bundles you will first need to count the number of whole vascular bundles in sector **P**.

number of whole vascular bundles in sector **P** = ... [1]

(ii) Use your answer to **(b)(i)** to estimate the total number of vascular bundles in the stem section shown in Fig. 2.2.

angle $\theta = 15°$

Show your working.

total number of vascular bundles = ...
[2]

(iii) The stem section shown in Fig. 2.2 has an actual area of 44 mm^2.

Use your answer in **(b)(ii)** to calculate the density of vascular bundles in the stem section.

Give your answer to **two** significant figures.

Show your working.

vascular bundle density = ... mm^{-2}
[2]

[Total: 18]