

22. The volume of the water that fell is

$$\begin{aligned} V &= (26 \text{ km}^2)(2.0 \text{ in.}) \\ &= (26 \text{ km}^2) \left(\frac{1000 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}} \right)^2 (2.0 \text{ in.}) \left(\frac{0.0254 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ in.}} \right) \\ &= (26 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^2)(0.0508 \text{ m}) \\ &= 1.3 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3 . \end{aligned}$$

We write the mass-per-unit-volume (density) of the water as:

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = 1 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3 .$$

The mass of the water that fell is therefore given by $m = \rho V$:

$$\begin{aligned} m &= \left(1 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3 \right) (1.3 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3) \\ &= 1.3 \times 10^9 \text{ kg} . \end{aligned}$$