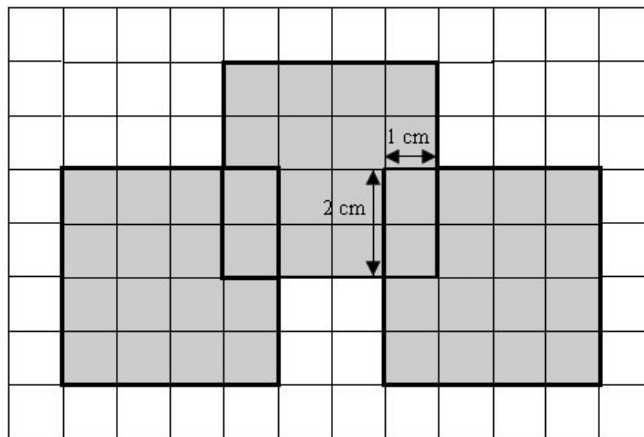


Total area

This task is about area of a complex shape.



The three squares above overlap each other and they all have sides of 4 cm in length. What is the **area** of the shaded shape?

- (A) 16 cm^2
- (B) 32 cm^2
- (C) 44 cm^2
- (D) 48 cm^2
- (E) None of these. The area is _____ cm^2 .

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