



Method I:

$$I_x = \sum y^2 = 4(3 \text{ in})^2 = 36 \frac{\text{in}^4}{\text{in}^2}$$

Method II:

$$I_x = \frac{nb^2(n^2-1)}{12} = \frac{3(3 \text{ in})^2[3^2-1]}{12} \cdot 2 = 36 \frac{\text{in}^4}{\text{in}^2}$$

Method III:

$$I_x = \frac{nb^2(n-1)^2}{12} = \frac{3(3 \text{ in})^2(3-1)^2}{12} \cdot 4 = 36 \frac{\text{in}^4}{\text{in}^2}$$