

DIVIDED BAR CHARTS,  
charts

ITEM 2  
FIG P2

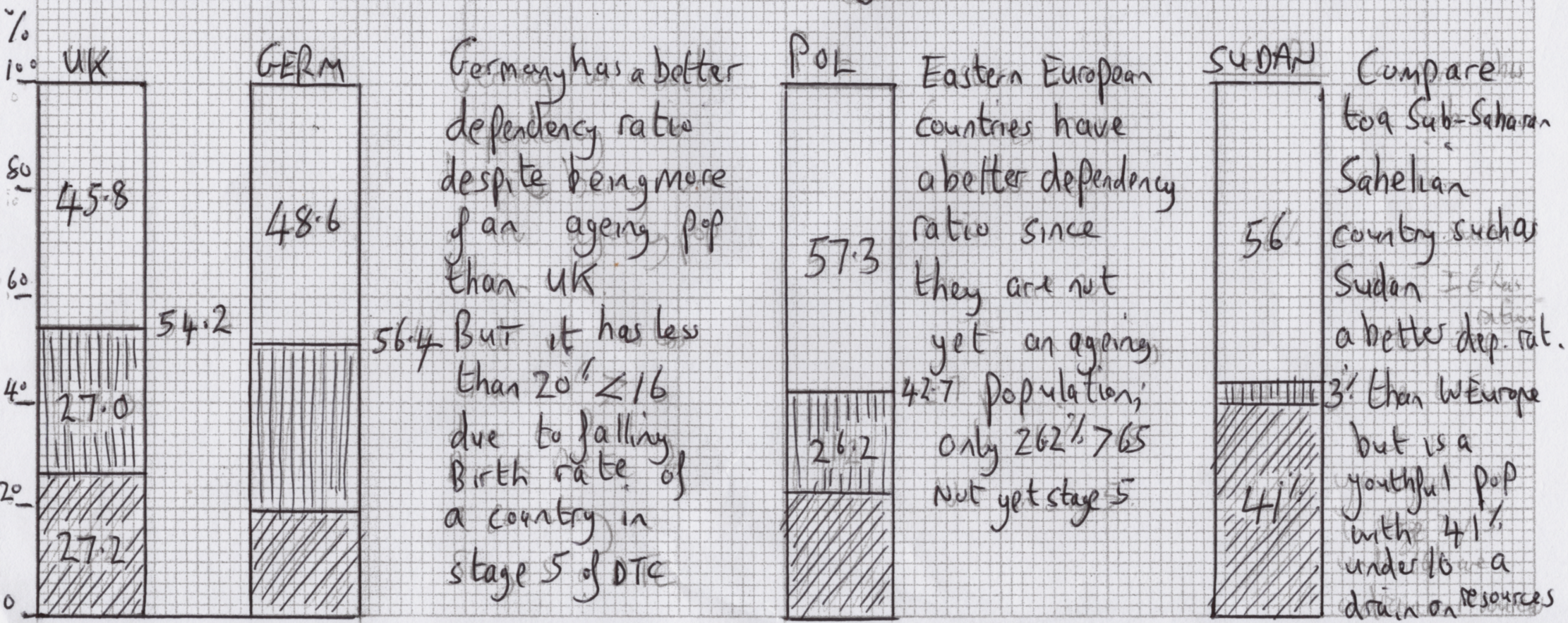
DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE IN EUROPE  
POPULATION AGE STRUCTURE

Describe a technique you could use to illustrate the data in P2

DEPENDENCY RATIO

- % □ 16-65 Active/working pop.
- % ▨ < 16 } dependent pop.
- % ▩ > 65 }

This is an important ratio as it shows what % of the population is active/working, paying taxes and making +ve contributions to society. In the UK 54.2% are dependent ∴ less than 1/2 are producing wealth to cater for the rest who maybe a drain on resources.



Germany has a better dependency ratio despite being more of an ageing pop than UK

But it has less than 20% < 16 due to falling birth rate of a country in stage 5 of DTC

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Eastern European countries have a better dependency ratio since they are not yet an ageing population; only 26.2% > 65 not yet stage 5

SUDAN

Compare to a Sub-Saharan Sahelian country such as Sudan which has a better dep. rat. than W Europe but is a youthful pop with 41% under 16 a drain on resources