

## Chapter 3

### Scientific measurement

### Types of observations

- Qualitative- descriptive, but not true measurements
  - Hot
  - Large
- Quantitative- describe with numbers and units
  - 100°C
  - 15 meters

### Types of observations

- Scientists prefer
- Quantitative
  - More precise
  - No bias
  - testable

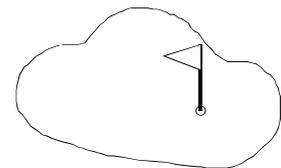
### How good are the measurements?

- Scientists use two words to describe how good the measurements are-
- Accuracy- how close the measurement is to the actual value.
- Precision- how well can the measurement be repeated.

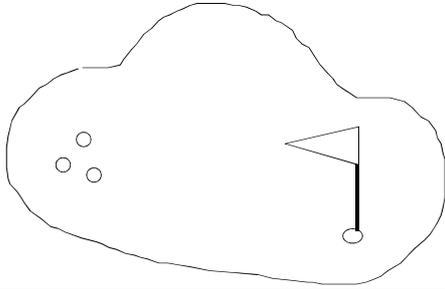
### Differences

- Accuracy can be true of an individual measurement or the average of several.
- Precision requires several measurements before anything can be said about it.

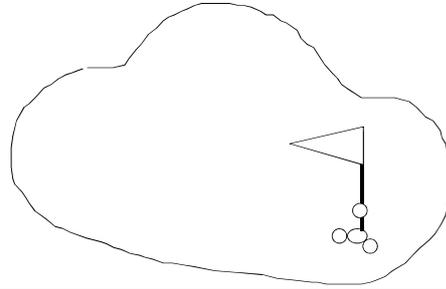
### Let's use a golf analogy



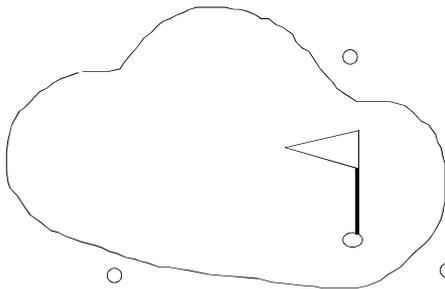
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Precise? Yes



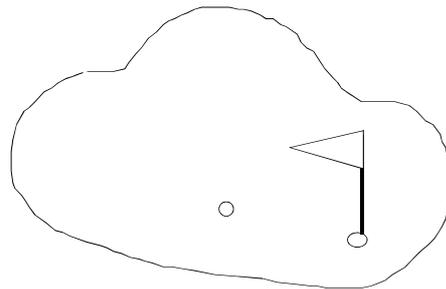
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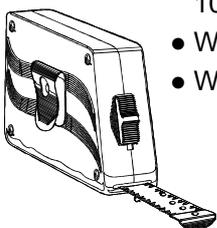
Precise? No  
Accurate? Maybe?



Accurate? Yes  
Precise? We cant say!



### In terms of measurement



- Three students measure the room to be 10.2 m, 10.3 m and 10.4 m across.
- Were they precise?
- Were they accurate?

### Error

- Accepted value – The right answer  
– Based on reliable references
- Experimental Value- what you get in lab
- Error =  
experimental value – accepted value
- Can be negative

## Percent Error

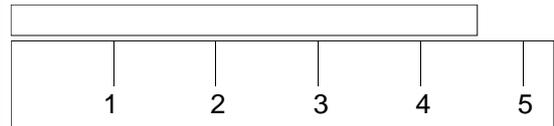
$$\text{Percent Error} = \frac{|\text{error}|}{\text{accepted value}} \times 100\%$$

- Absolute value of error
- I know that I weigh 150 kg. If I weigh myself and the balance says 165 kg, what is the percent error?

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## Significant figures (sig figs)

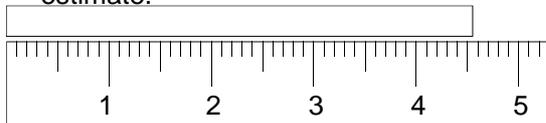
- How many numbers mean anything.
- When we measure something, we can (and do) always estimate between the smallest marks.



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## Significant figures (sig figs)

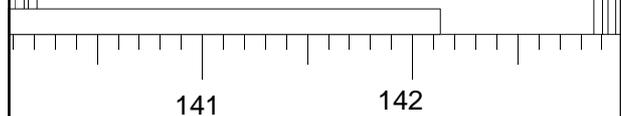
- The better marks the better we can estimate.
- Scientist always understand that the last number measured is actually an estimate.



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## Significant figures (sig figs)

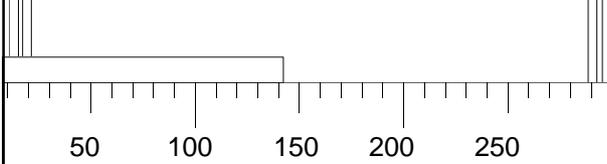
- The measurements we write down tell us about the ruler we measure with
- The last digit is between the lines
- What is the smallest mark on the ruler that measures 142.13 cm?



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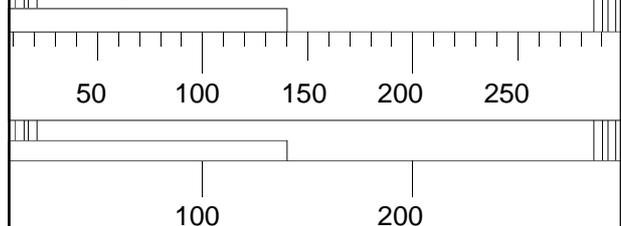
## Significant figures (sig figs)

- What is the smallest mark on the ruler that measures 142 cm?



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- 140 cm?



- Here there's a problem is the zero significant or not?

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• 140 cm?

• They needed a set of rules to decide which zeroes count.

• All other numbers do count.

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### Which zeros don't count as sig figs?

- Those at the end of a number before the decimal point don't count.
- 12400
- If the number is smaller than one, zeroes before the first number don't count.
- 0.045
- These zeros are only place holders

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### Which zeros do count as sig figs?

- Zeros between other sig figs do.
- 1002
- Zeroes at the end of a number after the decimal point do count.
- 45.8300
- If they are holding places, they don't.
- If they are measured (or estimated) they do.

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### Problem

- 50 is only 1 significant figure.
- if it really has two, how can I write it?
- A zero at the end only counts after the decimal place.
- Scientific notation.
- $5.0 \times 10^1$
- now the zero counts.

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•  $1.40 \times 10^2$  cm

• 140 cm

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Pacific Atlantic

Present Absent

If the decimal point is PRESENT, start at the Pacific (left), find the first non zero, and count all the rest of the digits

0.045      1.2300

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### Using your calculator with scientific notation

- EE and EXP button stand for x 10 to the
- $4.5 \times 10^{-4}$
- push 4.5
- push either EXP or EE
- push 4 +/- or -4
- see what your display says.

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### Practice these problems

- ◆  $(4.8 \times 10^5) \times (6.7 \times 10^{-6})$
- ◆  $\frac{(6.8 \times 10^{-6})}{(3.2 \times 10^4)}$
- Remember when you multiply you add exponents
- $10^6 \times 10^{-4}$
- When you divide you subtract exponents.

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### Adding and Subtracting

- You can't add or subtract numbers until they are to the same power of ten.
- Your calculator does this automatically.
- $(4.8 \times 10^5) + (6.7 \times 10^6)$
- $(6.8 \times 10^{-6}) - (3.2 \times 10^{-5})$
- Remember- standard form starts with a number between 1 and 10 to start.

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### Adding and subtracting with sig figs

- The last sig fig in a measurement is an estimate.
- Your answer when you add or subtract can not be better than your worst estimate.
- have to round it to the least place of the measurement in the problem.

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### For example

$$\begin{array}{r}
 27.93 + 6.4 \\
 27.93 \\
 + 6.4 \\
 \hline
 34.3
 \end{array}$$

- First line up the decimal places
- Then do the adding..
- Find the estimated numbers in the problem.
- This answer must be rounded to the tenths place.

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## Practice

- $4.8 + 6.8765$
- $520 + 94.98$
- $0.0045 + 2.113$
- $500 - 126$
- $6.0 \times 10^3 - 3.8 \times 10^2$
- $6.0 \times 10^{-2} - 3.8 \times 10^{-3}$
- $5.33 \times 10^{22} - 3.8 \times 10^{21}$

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## Multiplication and Division

- Rule is simpler
- Same number of sig figs in the answer as the least in the question
- $3.6 \times 653$
- 2350.8
- 3.6 has 2 s.f. 653 has 3 s.f.
- answer can only have 2 s.f.
- 2400

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## Multiplication and Division

- Same rules for division.
- practice
- $4.5 / 6.245$
- $4.5 \times 6.245$
- $9.8764 \times .043$
- $3.876 / 1980$
- $16547 / 710$

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## The Metric System

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## Measuring

- The numbers are only half of a measurement.
- It is 10 long.
- 10 what?
- Numbers without units are meaningless.
- How many feet in a yard?
- A mile?
- A rod?

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## The Metric System

- Easier to use because it is a decimal system.
- Every conversion is by some power of 10.
- A metric unit has two parts.
- A prefix and a base unit.
- prefix tells you how many times to divide or multiply by 10.

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## Base Units

- Length - meter - more than a yard - m
- Mass - grams - about a raisin - g
- Time - second - s
- Temperature - Kelvin or °Celsius K or °C
- Energy - Joules- J
- Volume - Liter - half of a two liter bottle- L
- Amount of substance - mole - mol

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## Prefixes

- kilo k 1000 times
- deci d 1/10
- centi c 1/100
- milli m 1/1,000
- micro  $\mu$  1/1,000,000
- nano n 1/1,000,000,000
- kilometer - about 0.6 miles
- centimeter - less than half an inch
- millimeter - the width of a paper clip wire

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## Volume

- calculated by multiplying L x W x H
- Liter the volume of a cube 1 dm (10 cm) on a side
- 1L = 1 dm<sup>3</sup>
- so 1 L = 10 cm x 10 cm x 10 cm
- 1 L = 1000 cm<sup>3</sup>
- 1/1000 L = 1 cm<sup>3</sup>
- 1 mL = 1 cm<sup>3</sup>

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## Volume

- 1 L about 1/4 of a gallon - a quart
- 1 mL is about 20 drops of water or 1 sugar cube

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## Mass

- 1 gram is defined as the mass of 1 cm<sup>3</sup> of water at 4 °C.
- 1000 g = 1000 cm<sup>3</sup> of water
- 1 kg = 1 L of water

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## Mass

- 1 kg = 2.5 lbs
- 1 g = 1 paper clip
- 1 mg = 10 grains of salt

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## Converting

k h D  d c m

- how far you have to move on this chart, tells you how far, and which direction to move the decimal place.
- The box is the base unit, meters, Liters, grams, etc.

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## Conversions

k h D  d c m

- Change 5.6 m to millimeters
- starts at the base unit and move three to the right.
- move the decimal point three to the right

56.00

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## Conversions

k h D  d c m

- convert 25 mg to grams
- convert 0.45 km to mm
- It works because the math works, we are dividing or multiplying by 10 the correct number of times.

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## What about micro- and nano-?

k h D  d c m  $\mu$  n

- The jump in between is 3 places
- Convert 15000  $\mu$ m to m
- Convert 0.00035 cm to nm

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0°C

## Measuring Temperature



- Celsius scale.
- water freezes at 0°C
- water boils at 100°C
- body temperature 37°C
- room temperature 20 - 25°C

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273 K

## Measuring Temperature



- Kelvin starts at absolute zero (-273 ° C)
- degrees are the same size
- C = K - 273
- K = C + 273
- Kelvin is always bigger.
- Kelvin can never be negative.

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### Temperature is different

- from heat.
- Temperature is which way heat will flow. (from hot to cold)
- Heat is energy, ability to do work.
- A drop of boiling water hurts,
- kilogram of boiling water kills.

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### Units of energy are

- calories or Joules
- 1 calorie is the amount of heat needed to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water by 1°C.
- A food Calorie is really a kilocalorie.
- 1 calorie = 4.18 J

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### Conversion factors

- “A ratio of equivalent measurements.”
- Start with two things that are the same.  
1 m = 100 cm
- Can divide by each side to come up with two ways of writing the number 1.

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### Conversion factors

$$\frac{1 \text{ m}}{100 \text{ cm}} = \frac{\cancel{100 \text{ cm}}}{\cancel{100 \text{ cm}}}$$

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### Conversion factors

$$\frac{1 \text{ m}}{100 \text{ cm}} = 1$$

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### Conversion factors

$$\frac{1 \text{ m}}{100 \text{ cm}} = 1$$
$$\frac{\cancel{1 \text{ m}}}{\cancel{1 \text{ m}}} = \frac{100 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ m}}$$

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### Conversion factors

$$\frac{1 \text{ m}}{100 \text{ cm}} = 1$$

$$1 = \frac{100 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ m}}$$

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### Conversion factors

- A unique way of writing the number 1.
- In the same system they are defined quantities so they have unlimited significant figures.
- Equivalence statements always have this relationship.
- big # small unit = small # big unit
- 1000 mm = 1 m

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### Write the conversion factors for the following

- kilograms to grams
- feet to inches
- 1.096 qt. = 1.00 L

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### What are they good for?

- We can multiply by one creatively to change the units .
- 13 inches is how many yards?
- 36 inches = 1 yard.
- $\frac{1 \text{ yard}}{36 \text{ inches}} = 1$
- ~~13 inches~~ x  $\frac{1 \text{ yard}}{36 \text{ inches}}$  =

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### Conversion factors

- Called conversion factors because they allow us to convert units.
- Really just multiplying by one, in a creative way.
- Choose the conversion factor that gets rid of the unit you don't want.

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### Dimensional Analysis

- Dimension = unit
- Analyze = solve
- Using the units to solve the problems.
- If the units of your answer are right, chances are you did the math right.

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### Dimensional Analysis

- Using with metric units
- Need to know equivalence statements
- If it has a prefix, get rid of it with one conversion factor
- To add a prefix use a conversion factor

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### Practice

- 25 mL is how many L?
  
- $5.8 \times 10^{-6}$  mm is how many nm?

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### Use conversion factors find

- How far is 8.3 m in mm?
  
- How heavy is  $1.56 \times 10^{10}$   $\mu\text{g}$  in kg?

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### Dimensional Analysis

- In the same system, unlimited sig figs
  - From one system to another. The conversion factor has as many the most sig figs in the measurements.
- 1 inch is 2.54 cm  $\left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \text{ inch} \\ 2.54 \text{ cm} \end{array} \right]$
- 3 sf

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### Dimensional Analysis

- A race is 10.0 km long. How far is this in miles?
  - 1 mile = 1760 yds
  - 1 meter = 1.094 yds

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### Dimensional Analysis

- Pikes peak is 14,110 ft above sea level. What is this in meters?
  - 1 mile = 1760 yds
  - 1 meter = 1.094 yds

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### Dimensional Analysis

- Another measuring system has different units of measure.
  - 6 ft = 1 fathom
  - 100 fathoms = 1 cable length
  - 10 cable lengths = 1 nautical mile
  - 3 nautical miles = 1 league
- Jules Verne wrote a book 20,000 leagues under the sea. How far is this in feet?

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### Multiple units

- The speed limit is 65 mi/hr. What is this in m/s?
  - 1 mile = 1760 yds
  - 1 meter = 1.094 yds

$$65 \frac{\text{mi}}{\text{hr}} \frac{1760 \text{ yd}}{1 \text{ mi}} \frac{1 \text{ m}}{1.094 \text{ yd}} \frac{1 \text{ hr}}{60 \text{ min}} \frac{1 \text{ min}}{60 \text{ s}}$$

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### Multiple units

- Lead has a density of 11.4 g/mL. What is this in pounds per quart?
  - 454 g = 1 lb
  - 1 L = 1.06 qt

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### Units to a Power

- How many m<sup>3</sup> is 1500 cm<sup>3</sup>?

$$1500 \text{ cm}^3 \frac{1 \text{ m}}{100 \text{ cm}} \frac{1 \text{ m}}{100 \text{ cm}} \frac{1 \text{ m}}{100 \text{ cm}}$$

$$1500 \text{ cm}^3 \left( \frac{1 \text{ m}}{100 \text{ cm}} \right)^3$$

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### Units to a Power

- How many cm<sup>2</sup> is 15 m<sup>2</sup>?
- 36 cm<sup>3</sup> is how many mm<sup>3</sup>?

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- A European cheese making recipe calls for 2.50 kg of whole milk. An American wishes to make the recipe has only measuring cups, which are marked in cups. If the density of milk is 1.03 g/cm<sup>3</sup> how many cups of milk does he need?

$$1 \text{ gal} = 4 \text{ qt} \quad 1 \text{ qt} = 2 \text{ pints}$$

$$1 \text{ L} = 1.06 \text{ qt} \quad 1 \text{ yd} = 3 \text{ ft.}$$

$$1 \text{ lb} = 454 \text{ g} \quad 1 \text{ mile} = 1.61 \text{ km}$$

$$1 \text{ mi} = 1760 \text{ yds} \quad 1 \text{ m} = 1.094 \text{ yds}$$

$$1 \text{ pint} = 2 \text{ cups} \quad 1 \text{ L} = 1000 \text{ cm}^3$$

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- A barrel of petroleum holds 42.0 gal. Empty it weighs 75 lbs. When it is filled with ethanol it weighs 373 lbs. What is the density of ethanol in  $\text{g/cm}^3$ ?

1 gal = 4 qt      1 qt = 2 pints  
 1 L = 1.06 qt      1 yd = 3 ft.  
 1 lb = 454 g      1 mile = 1.61 km  
 1 mi = 1760 yds      1 m = 1.094 yds  
 1 pint = 2 cups      1 L = 1000  $\text{cm}^3$

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Which is heavier?

it depends

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## Density

- How heavy something is for its size.
- The ratio of mass to volume for a substance.
- $D = M / V$
- Independent of how much of it you have
- gold - high density
- air - low density.
- Table 3.6 pg 90

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Table 3.6

Densities of Some Common Materials

Solids and Liquids		Gases	
Material	Density at 20° C ( $\text{g/cm}^3$ )	Material	Density at 20° C ( $\text{g/L}$ )
Gold	19.3	Chlorine	2.95
Mercury	13.6	Carbon dioxide	1.83
Lead	11.4	Argon	1.66
Aluminum	2.70	Oxygen	1.33
Table sugar	1.59	Air	1.20
Corn syrup	1.35-1.38	Nitrogen	1.17
Water (4°C)	1.000	Neon	0.84
Corn oil	0.922	Ammonia	0.718
Ice (0°C)	0.917	Methane	0.665
Ethanol	0.789	Helium	0.166
Gasoline	0.66-0.69	Hydrogen	0.084

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## Calculating

- The formula tells you how.
- Units will be  $\text{g/mL}$  or  $\text{g/cm}^3$
- A piece of wood has a mass of 11.2 g and a volume of 23 mL what is the density?

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## Calculating

- A piece of wood has a density of 0.93  $\text{g/mL}$  and a volume of 23 mL what is the mass?

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### Calculating

- A piece of wood has a density of 0.93 g/mL and a mass of 23 g what is the volume?

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### Floating

- Lower density floats on higher density.
- Ice is less dense than water.
- Most wood is less dense than water.
- Helium is less dense than air.
- A ship is less dense than water.

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### Density of water

- 1 g of water is 1 mL of water.
- density of water is 1 g/mL
- at 4°C
- otherwise it is less

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### Density as a conversion factor

- Aluminum has a density of 2.70 g/cm<sup>3</sup>
- That means 2.70 g of aluminum is 1 cm<sup>3</sup>
- Can make conversion factors
- What is the mass of 25 cm<sup>3</sup> of aluminum?

$$25 \cancel{\text{cm}^3} \left( \frac{2.70 \text{ g}}{1 \cancel{\text{cm}^3}} \right) = 68 \text{ g}$$

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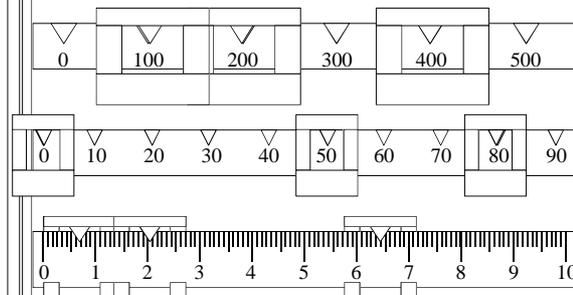
### Density as a conversion factor

- Aluminum has a density of 2.70 g/cm<sup>3</sup>
- What is the volume of 350 g of aluminum?

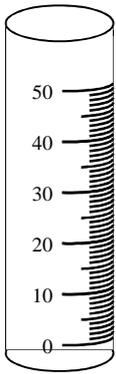
$$350 \cancel{\text{g}} \left( \frac{1 \text{ cm}^3}{2.70 \cancel{\text{g}}} \right) = 130 \text{ cm}^3$$

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### How to measure Mass

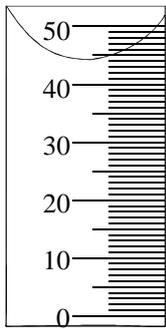


### How to Measure Volume



Graduated Cylinder  
Come in variety of sizes  
measure milliliters

### How to Measure Volume



- Meniscus - the curve the water takes in the cylinder
- Measure at the bottom of the meniscus.

### Heat

a form of energy

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### Some things heat up easily

- Some take a great deal of energy to change their temperature.
- The Specific Heat Capacity amount of heat to change the temperature of 1 g of a substance by 1°C.
- specific heat- SH
- S.H. =  $\frac{\text{heat (cal)}}{\text{mass(g)} \times \text{change in temp}(\text{°C})}$

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### Specific Heat

- table page 42
- Water has a high specific heat
- 1 cal/g°C
- units will always be cal/g°C
- or J/g°C
- the amount of heat it takes to heat something is the same as the amount of heat it gives off when it cools because...

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### Problems

- It takes 24.3 calories to heat 15.4 g of a metal from 22 °C to 33°C. What is the specific heat of the metal?
- Iron has a specific heat of 0.11 cal/g°C. How much heat will it take to change the temperature of 48.3 g of iron by 32.4°C?

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