

Introduction: Matter and Measurement

1.1 The Study of Chemistry

Chemistry



In this science we study matter and the changes it undergoes.

Solid







We define matter as anything that has mass and takes up space.



(a) Atoms of an element





(c) Molecules of a compound



(d) Mixture of elements and a compound



- Each element is made of the same kind of atom.
- A compound is made of two or more different kinds of elements.

1.2 Classification of Matter

States of Matter



Cool or increase pressure Heat or reduce pressure



Heat

Cool



Gas

Total disorder; much empty space; particles have complete freedom of motion; particles far apart

Liquid

Disorder; particles or clusters of particles are free to move relative to each other; particles close together

Crystalline solid

Ordered arrangement; particles are essentially in fixed positions; particles close together

Classification of Matter



Law of constant composition

AKA : law of definite proportions
Joseph Proust 1800
Elemental composition of a compound is always the same

Sample Exercise 1.1 Distinguishing Among Elements, Compounds, and Mixtures

White gold," used in jewelry, contains gold and another "white" metal such as palladium. Two different samples of white gold differ in the relative amounts of gold and palladium that they contain. Both samples are uniform in composition throughout. Without knowing any more about the materials, classify white gold.

Practice Exercise

Aspirin is composed of 60.0% carbon, 4.5% hydrogen, and 35.5% oxygen by mass, regardless of its source. Classify aspirin.

1.3 Properties of Matter

Types of Properties

Physical Properties...

- Can be observed without changing a substance into another substance.
 - Boiling point, density, mass, volume, etc.
- Chemical Properties...
 - Can only be observed when a substance is changed into another substance.
 - Flammability, corrosiveness, reactivity with acid, etc.

Types of Properties

Intensive Properties...

Are independent of the amount of the substance that is present.

Density, boiling point, color, etc.

- Extensive Properties...
 - Depend upon the amount of the substance present.

Mass, volume, energy, etc.

Types of Changes

Physical Changes

These are changes in matter that do not change the composition of a substance.

Changes of state, temperature, volume, etc.

Chemical Changes

Chemical changes result in new substances.
Combustion, oxidation, decomposition, etc.



In the course of a chemical reaction, the reacting substances are converted to new substances.

Compounds

Compounds can be broken down into more elemental particles.



Separation of Mixtures: Distillation



Distillation uses differences in the boiling points of substances to separate a homogeneous mixture into its components.

Filtration





In filtration solid substances are separated from liquids and solutions.

Chromatography

This technique separates substances on the basis of differences in solubility in a solvent.



1.4 Units of Measurement

SI Units

Physical Quantity	Name of Unit	Abbreviation
Mass	Kilogram	kg
Length	Meter	m
Time	Second	s ^a
Temperature	Kelvin	K
Amount of substance	Mole	mol
Electric current	Ampere	А
Luminous intensity	Candela	cd

^aThe abbreviation sec is frequently used.

Système International d'Unités
 A different base unit is used for each quantity.

Volume

- The most commonly used metric units for volume are the liter (L) and the milliliter (mL).
 - A liter is a cube 1 dm long on each side.
 - A milliliter is a cube 1 cm long on each side.





Density is an intensive physical property of a substance.



Sample Exercise 1.4

- A) Calculate the density of mercury if 1.00x10² g occupies a volume of 7.36 cm³.
- B) Calculate the volume of 65.0 g of methanol if its density is 0.791 g/mL.
- C) What is the mass in grams of a cube of gold (density = 19.32 g/cm³) if the length of the cube is 2.00 cm?

Density Practice

- I. Calculate the density of a 374.5 g sample of copper if it has a volume of 41.8 cm³.
- 2. A student needs 15.0 g of ethanol for an experiment. If the density of ethanol is 0.789 g/mL, how many mililiters of ethanol are needed?
- 3. What is the mass of 25.0 mL of mercury if the density is 13.6 g/mL?

Metric System

Prefixes convert the base units into units that are appropriate for the item being measured.

Prefix	Abbreviation	Meaning	Example
Giga	G	10 ⁹	1 gigameter (Gm) = 1×10^9 m
Mega	Μ	10^{6}	1 megameter (Mm) = 1×10^6 m
Kilo	k	10 ³	1 kilometer (km) = 1×10^3 m
Deci	d	10^{-1}	1 decimeter (dm) = 0.1 m
Centi	с	10^{-2}	1 centimeter (cm) = 0.01 m
Milli	m	10^{-3}	1 millimeter (mm) = 0.001 m
Micro	μ^{a}	10^{-6}	1 micrometer (μ m) = 1 × 10 ⁻⁶ m
Nano	n	10^{-9}	1 nanometer (nm) = 1×10^{-9} m
Pico	р	10^{-12}	1 picometer (pm) = 1×10^{-12} m
Femto	f	10^{-15}	1 femtometer (fm) = 1×10^{-15} m

^aThis is the Greek letter mu (pronounced "mew").



By definition temperature is a measure of the average kinetic energy of the particles in a sample.



In scientific measurements, the Celsius and Kelvin scales are most often used.

- The Celsius scale is based on the properties of water.
 - 0°C is the freezing point of water.
 - 100°C is the boiling point of water.



The Kelvin is the SI unit of temperature. It is based on the properties of gases. There are no negative Kelvin temperatures. $K = {}^{\circ}C + 273.15$



Temperature Practice

Ethylene glycol, a major ingredient in antifreeze, freezes at -11.5°C. What is the freezing point in Kelvin and °F?

1.5 Uncertainty in Measurement

Uncertainty in Measurements

Different measuring devices have different uses and different degrees of accuracy.





Measured length = 0.61 m







Significant Figures

- The term significant figures refers to digits that were measured.
- When rounding calculated numbers, we pay attention to significant figures so we do not overstate the accuracy of our answers.

Significant Figures

- **1.** All nonzero digits are significant.
- 2. Zeroes between two significant figures are themselves significant.
- 3. Zeroes at the beginning of a number are never significant.
- 4. Zeroes at the end of a number are significant if a decimal point is written in the number.
- 5. Exact numbers are assumed to have an infinite number of sig figs

Sample Exercise 1.5

What difference exists between the measured values 4.0 g and 4.00 g?

A balance has a precision of ±0.001 g. A sample that has a mass of about 25 g is placed on this balance. How many significant figures should be reported for this measurement?

Significant Figure Practice

- How many significant figures are in the following:
 - A) 4.003
 - B) 5000
 - C) 0.00135
 - D) 0.1270
 - E) 6.023 x 10²³
 - ■F) 3.549
 - ■G) 2.3 x 10⁴

Significant Figures

- When addition or subtraction is performed, answers are rounded to the least significant decimal place.
- When multiplication or division is performed, answers are rounded to the number of digits that corresponds to the *least* number of significant figures in any of the numbers used in the calculation.

Operations with Significant Figures Practice

- Calculate the volume of a box with the following dimensions: 15.5 cm, 27.3 cm and 5.4 cm. Report your answer to the correct number of significant figures.
- 2) Calculate: 212.2 + 26.7 + 402.09
- 3) It takes 10.5 s for a sprinter to run 100.00 m. Calculate the average speed in m/s.

Sample Exercise 1.8

- A gas at 25°C fills a container whose volume is 1.05 x 10³ cm³. The container plus the gas have a mass of 837.6 g. The container when emptied of all gas has a mass of 836.2 g. What is the density of the gas at 25°C?
- To how many significant figures should the mass of the container be measured (with and without the gas) for density to be calculated to three significant figures?

Accuracy, Precision, and Error

Just because a measuring device works, you cannot assume it is accurate. The scale below has not been properly zeroed, so the reading obtained for the person's weight is inaccurate.



Accuracy versus Precision



Good accuracy Good precision

- Accuracy refers to the proximity of a measurement to the true value of a quantity.
- Precision refers to the proximity of several measurements to each other.



Poor accuracy Good precision



Poor accuracy Poor precision

Error = experimental value - accepted value

Determining Error

- The **accepted value** is the correct value.
- The experimental value is the value measured in the lab.
- The difference between the experimental value and the accepted value is called the **error**.

Accuracy, Precision, and Error

The percent error is the absolute value of the error divided by the accepted value, multiplied by 100%.

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

Practice Problem

A technician experimentally determined the boiling point of octane to be 124.1°C. The actual boiling point of octane is 125.7°C. Calculate the error and percent error.

1.6 Dimensional Analysis

Dimensional Analysis

Given: m 1 cm Use cm 1 in. Use in. Find:

- We use dimensional analysis to convert one quantity to another.
- Most commonly dimensional analysis utilizes conversion factors (e.g., 1 in. = 2.54 cm) <u>1 in.</u> or <u>2.54 cm</u> 2.54 cm 1 in.

Dimensional Analysis

Use the form of the conversion factor that puts the sought-for unit in the numerator.



Sample Exercise 1.9

- If a woman has a mass of 115 lb, what is her mass in grams?
- Determine the length in kilometers of a 500.0 mile automobile race.

Dimensional Analysis

For example, to convert 8.00 m to inches,
 convert m to cm
 convert cm to in.

$$8.00 \text{ pr} \times \frac{100 \text{ em}}{1 \text{ pr}} \times \frac{1 \text{ in.}}{2.54 \text{ em}} = 315 \text{ in.}$$

Sample Exercise 1.10

The average speed of a nitrogen molecule in air at 25°C is 515 m/s. Convert this speed into miles per hour.

Practice

- Earth's oceans contain approximately 1.36 x 10⁹ km³ of water. Calculate the volume in liters.
- 2) If the volume of an object is reported as 5.0 ft³, what is the volume in cubic meters?
- 3) A car travels 28 mi per gallon of gasoline. How many kilometers per liter will it go?

Sample Exercise 1.12

- What is the mass in grams of 1.00 gal of water? The density of water is 1 g/mL.
- The density of benzene is 0.879 g/mL. Calculate the mass in grams of 1.00 qt of benzene.