

## Chapter 3 Outline

### Scientific Measurement

#### Section 3.1 – Measurements and Their Uncertainty

- A \_\_\_\_\_ is a quantity that has both a \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ typically used in the sciences are those of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- In \_\_\_\_\_, a given number is written as the product of two numbers: a \_\_\_\_\_ and 10 raised to a \_\_\_\_\_.
- In scientific notation, the \_\_\_\_\_ is always a number equal to or greater than \_\_\_\_\_ and less than \_\_\_\_\_.

#### • **Sample Problems**

- Write the following numbers in scientific notation:

39400000

2800

0.000567

0.0000002

- Write the following numbers in regular notation:  
 $3.22 \times 10^4$   
 $2.1 \times 10^{-5}$   
 $8 \times 10^2$   
 $7.90 \times 10^{-6}$
- \_\_\_\_\_ is a measure of how \_\_\_\_\_ a measurement comes to the actual or \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is a measure of how close a \_\_\_\_\_ of measurements are to \_\_\_\_\_.
- Error =
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the correct value.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the value measured in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ is the absolute value of the error divided by the \_\_\_\_\_.
- Percent Error =
- So in other words,
- %E =

- **Sample Problem**

- A block of aluminum has a mass of 147.3g. A student measures the mass of the block as 138.9g. What is the student's error?
- What is the percent error?
- The \_\_\_\_\_ in a measurement include all the digits that are \_\_\_\_\_, plus a last digit that is \_\_\_\_\_.

- **Rules for Significant Figures**

- Every \_\_\_\_\_ digit is significant. Ex: 254 or 65.43
- Zeros \_\_\_\_\_ significant figures are significant. Ex: 3005 or 1.083
- Zeros \_\_\_\_\_ (to the left) the significant figures are not significant. Ex: 0.07902 or 0.6932
- Zeros \_\_\_\_\_ (to the right) the significant figures AND after the decimal place are significant. Ex: 20.3200 or 63000
- Numbers that can be \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ have an infinite number of significant figures. 370 crayons or 1km = 1000m

- In general, a \_\_\_\_\_ answer cannot be more precise than the \_\_\_\_\_ measurement from which it was calculated.
- Addition and Subtraction
- When \_\_\_\_\_, your answer can only have the same amount of \_\_\_\_\_ as the number with the \_\_\_\_\_ of decimal places.

- **Sample Exercise**

- Calculate the sum of the three measurements. Give the answer to the correct number of significant figures.  
 $12.52 \text{ m} + 349.0 \text{ m} + 8.24 \text{ m} =$

- **Practice Exercise**

- Perform each operation. Express your answers to the correct number of significant figures.
  - a.  $61.2 \text{ m} + 9.35 \text{ m} + 8.6 \text{ m} =$
  - b.  $34.61 \text{ m} - 17.3 \text{ m} =$

- When \_\_\_\_\_, your answer can only have the same amount of \_\_\_\_\_ as the number with the \_\_\_\_\_ amount of significant figures.

- Sample Exercise**

- Perform the following operations. Give the answers to the correct number of significant figures.

$$7.55 \text{ m} \times 0.34 \text{ m} =$$

- Practice Exercise**

- Solve each problem and report your answer with the correct amount of significant figures.

$$2.10 \text{ m} \times 0.70 \text{ m} =$$

$$8432 \text{ m} / 12.5 =$$

- Section 3.1 Assessment**

1. How are accuracy and precision evaluated?

2. A technician experimentally determined the boiling point of octane to be  $124.1^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The actual boiling point of octane is  $125.7^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Calculate the error and the percent error.

3. Determine the number of significant figures in each of the following:

- a. 11 soccer players                      c. 10800 m  
 b. 0.070020 m                              d.  $5.00 \text{ m}^3$

4. Solve each of the following and express your answer with the correct number of significant figures.

- a.  $0.00072 \times 1800 =$   
 b.  $0.912 - 0.047 =$   
 c.  $54000 \times 3500000000 =$

- Section 3.2 – The International System of Units**

- The International system of Units (SI) is a revised version of the \_\_\_\_\_ that scientists use around the world.

Quantity	SI Base Unit	Symbol
	meter	m
mass		kg
temperature		K
time	second	
amount of substance		mol
luminous intensity	candela	
electric current		A

- \_\_\_\_\_ are used to show a very \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ quantity.
- For your prefixes sheet it is important to remember the following:

Example of Base Units

m  
L  
g

Example of Prefix Units

cm  
mL  
kg

- Write the conversion factors for the following:

a. cm → m

b. g → kg

c. s → ns

d. dL → L

- Some units are a \_\_\_\_\_ of SI base units. These are called \_\_\_\_\_.

- Volume = length x width x height  
(m) (m) (m) =

- Density =  $\frac{\text{mass (kg)}}{\text{volume (m}^3\text{)}}$  =

- \_\_\_\_\_ is the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ that an object contains. The SI unit is \_\_\_\_\_.

- \_\_\_\_\_ is the force that measures the pull of \_\_\_\_\_ on a given \_\_\_\_\_. The SI unit is \_\_\_\_\_.

- Since \_\_\_\_\_ is based on \_\_\_\_\_, it changes with \_\_\_\_\_.

- \_\_\_\_\_ stays \_\_\_\_\_ regardless of location.

- \_\_\_\_\_ is a measure of how \_\_\_\_\_ an object is. (It is the measure of the \_\_\_\_\_ of an object's particles)

- There are 3 temperature scales that are used: \_\_\_\_\_.

- \_\_\_\_\_ is zero on the \_\_\_\_\_ scale.

- Kelvin temperature is \_\_\_\_\_ to the kinetic energy (speed) of the particles.

- If the particles are \_\_\_\_\_, then the Kelvin temperature is \_\_\_\_\_.

- Since the particles cannot go slower than \_\_\_\_\_, then the Kelvin scale does not have any \_\_\_\_\_.

- The following formulas are used to convert between temperatures:

$$K = ^\circ C + 273 \qquad ^\circ C = 5/9(^{\circ}F - 32)$$

$$^{\circ}C = K - 273 \qquad ^{\circ}F = 9/5(^{\circ}C) + 32$$

- **Sample Exercise**

- Normal human body temperature is  $37^{\circ}C$ . What is that temperature in kelvin?

- **Practice Exercise**

- Make the following temperature conversions.

a.  $77.2K \rightarrow ^\circ C$

b.  $120^{\circ}C \rightarrow ^\circ F$

c.  $56^{\circ}F \rightarrow K$

- \_\_\_\_\_ is the ability to do \_\_\_\_\_ or supply \_\_\_\_\_.
- The SI unit of energy is the \_\_\_\_\_.

- In America, we use \_\_\_\_\_ instead of Joules.

- **Section 3.2 Assessment**

1. What are the SI units for the 5 common base units used in Chemistry?
2. What is the symbol and meaning for each prefix?
  - a. milli-
  - b. nano-
  - c. deci-
  - d. centi-
3. List the following units in order from largest to smallest: mL, cL, mL, L, dL.
4. What is the volume of a paperback book 21 cm tall, 12 cm wide, and 3.5 cm thick?
5. State the difference between weight and mass.
6. Convert  $170^{\circ}C$  to kelvin.

7. State the relationship between joules and calories.

- **Section 3.3 – Conversion Problems**

- A \_\_\_\_\_ is a ratio of two equivalent measurements.
- Whenever two measurements are \_\_\_\_\_, then the ratio equals 1.

$$12 \text{ in} = 1 \text{ ft} \quad \text{or} \quad 1 \text{ ft} = 12 \text{ in}$$

Ratio form:

$$\frac{12 \text{ in}}{1 \text{ ft}} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1 \text{ ft}}{12 \text{ in}}$$

- \_\_\_\_\_ is a way to analyze and solve problems using the \_\_\_\_\_ of the measurements.
- Some conversion factors that you should be familiar with involve time:  
1 min =  
60 min =  
24 hr =  
365 days =  
3600s =
- **Sample Problem**
- How many seconds are in a workday that lasts exactly eight hours?

- **Practice Problems**

- How many minutes are there in exactly 1 week?
- How many seconds are in exactly 40 hours?
- How many years is 895600000 s?

- **Sample Problem**

- Convert 750 dg to grams.

- **Practice Problems**

- Convert 0.044 km to meters.
- Convert 6.7 s to milliseconds.
- Convert 4.6 mg to grams.



- **Practice Problems**

- Convert 250 cal into joules.

- Convert 50 cm<sup>3</sup> into liters.

- Convert 25 m into feet.

- **Section 3.3 Assessment**

1. What conversion factor would you use to convert between these pairs of units?

a. minutes to hours

b. grams to milligrams

c. cubic decimeters to milliliters

2. Make the following conversions:

a. 14.8 g to micrograms

b.  $3.72 \times 10^{-3}$  kg to grams

c. 66.3 L to cubic centimeters

3. An atom of gold has a mass of  $3.271 \times 10^{-23}$  g. How many atoms of gold are in 5.00 g of gold?

4. Convert the following:

a.  $7.5 \times 10^4$  J to kilojoules

b.  $3.9 \times 10^5$  mg to decigrams

c.  $2.21 \times 10^{-4}$  dL to microliters

5. (Honors) Light travels at a speed of  $3.00 \times 10^{10}$  cm/s. What is the speed of light in kilometers per hour?

- **Section 3.4 – Density**

- \_\_\_\_\_ is the ratio of the \_\_\_\_\_ of an object to its \_\_\_\_\_.

- Density =



- \_\_\_\_\_ is an \_\_\_\_\_ that depends only on the \_\_\_\_\_ of a substance, not on the size of the sample.
- The density of a substance generally \_\_\_\_\_ as its temperature \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is an exception to this rule.

- **Sample Problem**

- A copper penny has a mass of 3.1 g and a volume of 0.35 cm<sup>3</sup>. What is the density of copper?

- **Practice Problems**

- A bar of silver has a mass of 68.0 g and a volume of 6.48 cm<sup>3</sup>. What is the density of silver?
- A substance has a density of 0.38 g/mL and a volume of 20 mL. What is the mass of the object?

- A metal block has a density of 0.66 g/cm<sup>3</sup> and has a mass of 2 kg. What is the volume of the block?

- **Section 3.4 Assessment**

1. What determines the density of an object?
2. How does density vary with temperature?
3. A weather balloon is inflated to a volume of 2.2 x 10<sup>3</sup> L with 37.4 g of helium. What is the density of helium in grams per liter?
4. A 68 g bar of gold is cut into 3 equal pieces. How does the density of each piece compare to the density of the original gold bar?

5. A plastic ball with a volume of  $19.7 \text{ cm}^3$  has a mass of  $15.8 \text{ g}$ . Would this ball sink or float in a container of gasoline? (Density of gasoline =  $0.675 \text{ g/cm}^3$ )
  
6. What is the volume, in cubic centimeters, of a sample of cough syrup that has a mass of  $50.0 \text{ g}$ ? The density of cough syrup is  $0.950 \text{ g/cm}^3$ .
  
7. What is the mass, in kilograms, of  $14.0 \text{ L}$  of gasoline? (Assume that the density of gasoline is  $0.680 \text{ g/cm}^3$ .)