

# Chapter 1

# Introduction

# How can I be reached?

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# Course breakdown

- Competency 1: Lab Mark – Practical
  - 40 % of total grade
  - It consists of formal LAB REPORTS which will be taught to you.
  - You copy, I find out.
  - Science fair is also part of your lab mark
- Competency 2: Theory Mark – Quizzes and Tests
  - 60 % of total grade
  - It consists of 3 quizzes and a summative exam at the end of the term.

# How to behave in the lab

- Sensible clothing
- Closed toe shoes
- Snap a photo of the lab station BEFORE you start, making cleanup a real breeze
- Safety glasses or goggles MUST be worn at ALL TIMES
- Any violation of these rules will result possibility of revoked lab privileges.
- No foul play in the lab
- Lock down in CORNER
- Fire escape out the front door.

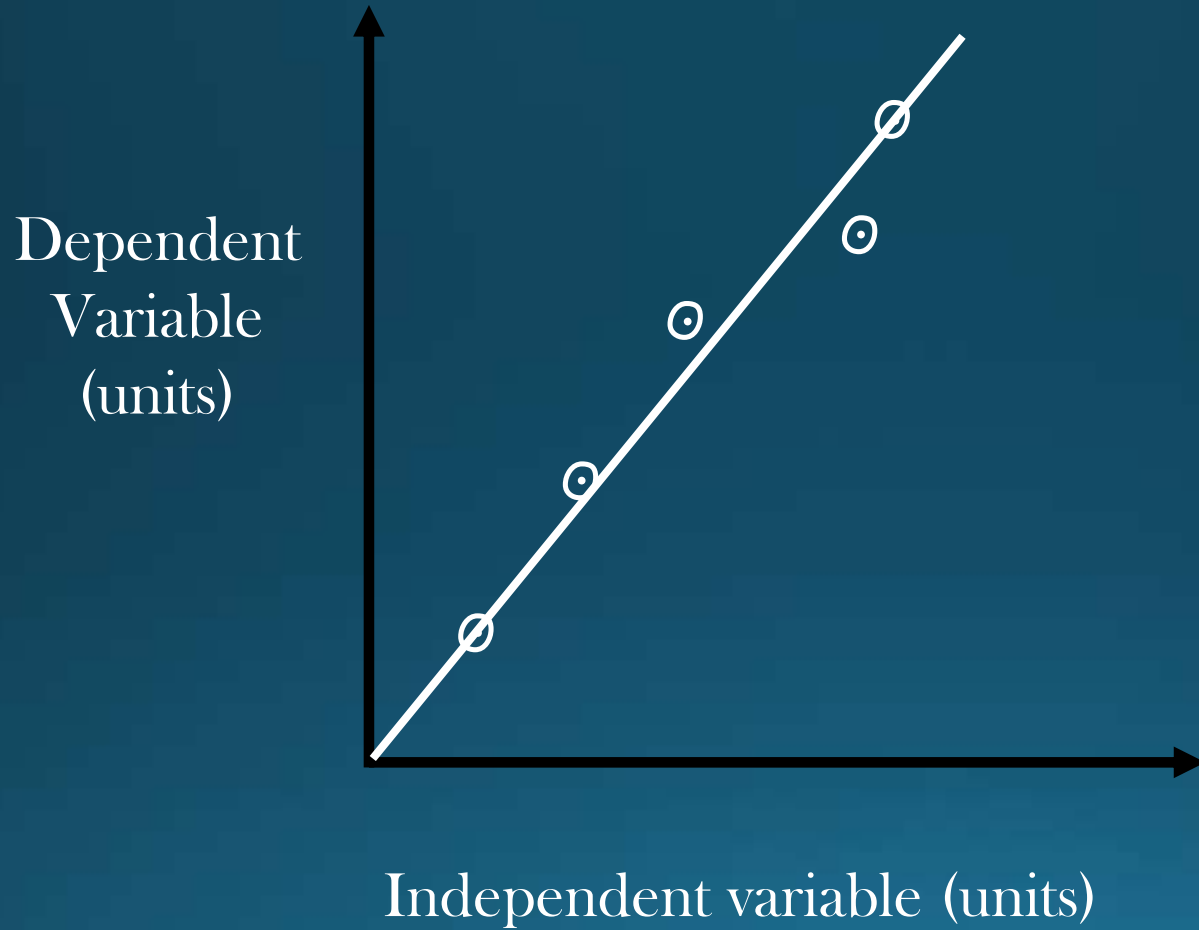
# How to be successful in Chemistry

- Do ALL the work assigned ( or as much as possible)
- No tardiness accepted. You will be asked to stand outside until you can come in without disturbing anyone
- Absenteeism will affect the outcome of your performance.
- Ask for help when you understand AND especially when you don't understand.
- Practice, practice and PRACTICE!
- If you run out of questions to practice, ASK FOR MORE! 😊

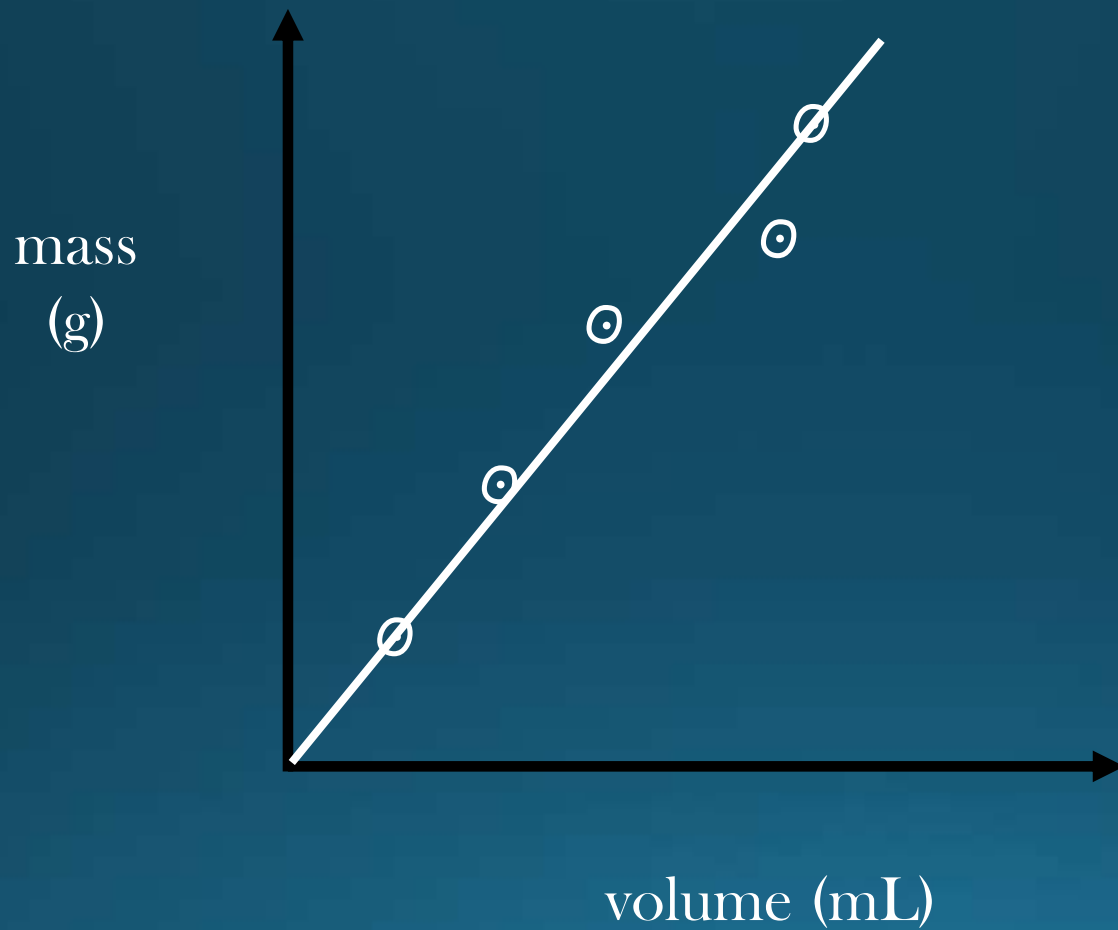
# Criteria for Graphing

1. x axis - independent, y-axis dependent
2. Both Axis properly labelled with units
3. Title y(units) vs. x (units)
4. Data points circled - indicates ever present experimental error
5. Best fit "line" - straight line, curve etc.
6. Use as much of the graph paper as possible (minimum 50%)
7. Equally spaced increment on both axes
8. Points used to calculate the slope are indicated by ...
  - **triangle** to show the two points selected
  - Labeled "P<sub>1</sub>" and "P<sub>2</sub>"
9. Slope calculation (when requested)
  - before beginning calculations list the points, P<sub>1</sub> and P<sub>2</sub>
  - include units
10. Use precision paper (provided by us)
11. When required - use a key if more than one line is plotted on the same graph

Y (units) vs. X (units)



$m$  (g) vs.  $V$  (mL)





# Error Calculations

Experimental Error (E)

Observed value (O)

Accepted value (A)

$$E = O - A$$

$$\% \text{ error} = (E \div A) \times 100$$

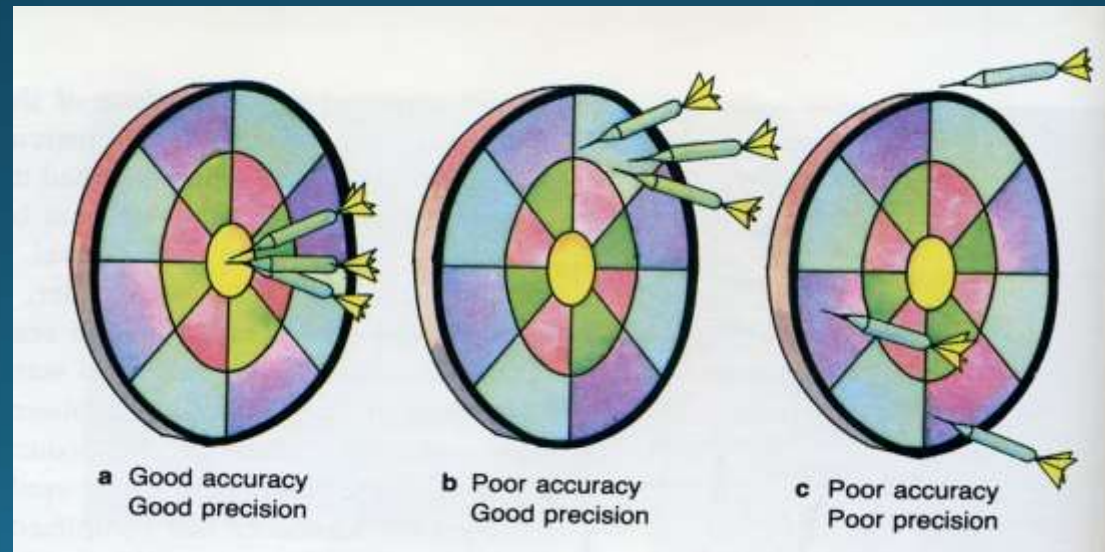
$$\rho_{\text{water @ 20 deg. C}} = 0.99823 \text{ g/mL} = A$$

# Precision and Accuracy

**Accuracy:** How close a measurement comes to the actual or true value measured

**Precision:** Concerned with reproducibility of the measurement

**Example:**



# Precision and Accuracy Lab

(Lab pg. 1-31 – Density of water)

## Assignment to be collected (in 2 classes)

1. Draw graph as per graphing criteria

2. Calculate:

- Slope =  $(Y_2 - Y_1)/(X_2 - X_1) \rightarrow \text{density} = (m_2 - m_1)/(V_2 - V_1)$
- (indicate the selected points on your graph as P1 and P2)

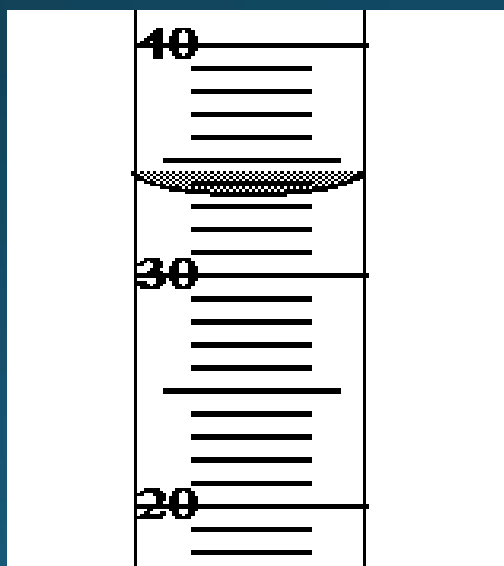
3. Calculate:

- Experimental (E) = observed value (O) – accepted value (A)
- % error =  $\frac{\text{Observed} - \text{Accepted}}{\text{Accepted}} \times 100$

# Significant Figures in Measurements

- Include all the digits that can be known precisely plus a last digit that must be “estimated”
- The last digit is determined by the uncertainty of the instrument.
- The uncertainty of the instrument is determined by dividing the smallest division by 2

Ex.:



Smallest Division: 1mL

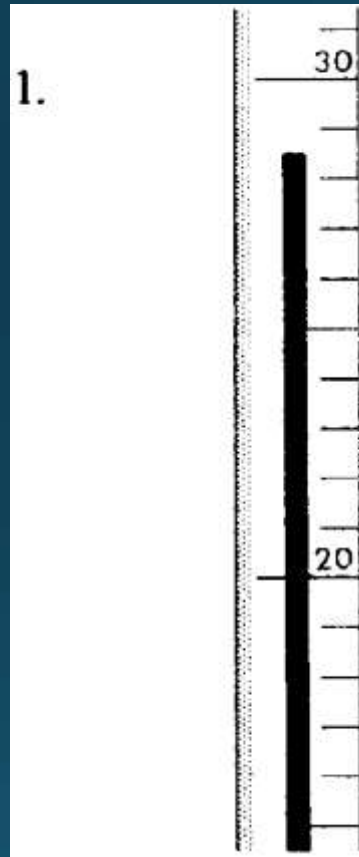
$$1\text{mL} \div 2$$

Uncertainty:  $= \pm 0.5\text{mL}$

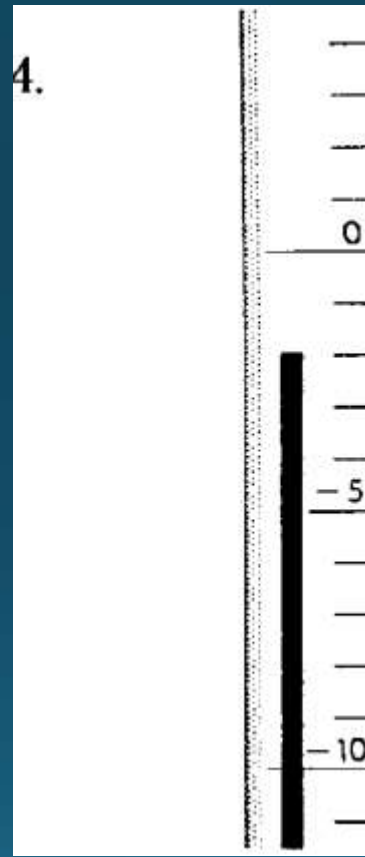
Reading :  $33.5 \pm 0.5 \text{ mL}$



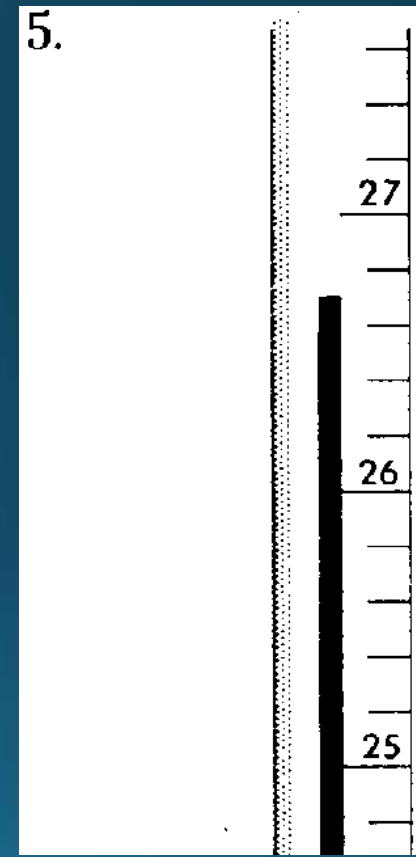
# Topic 13: Reading Thermometers



$28.5 \pm 0.5 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$

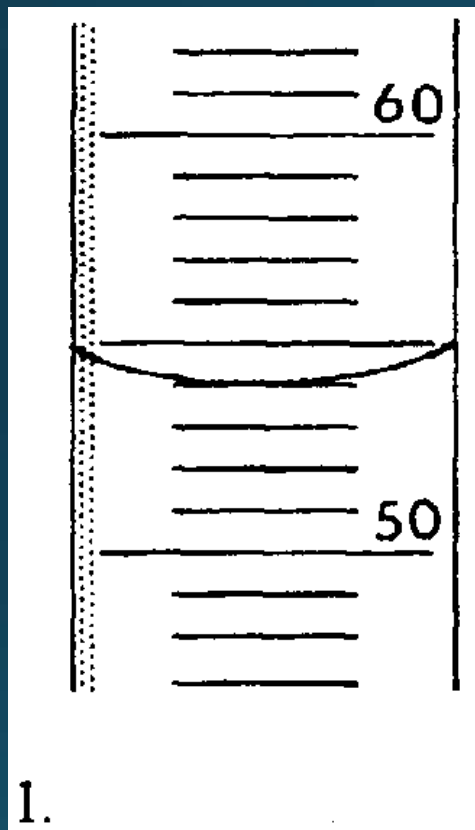


$-2.0 \pm 0.5 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$

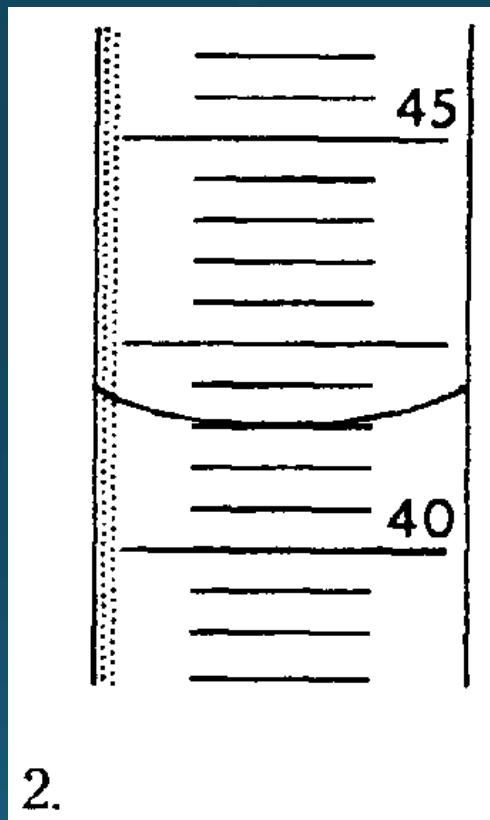


$26.7 \pm 0.1 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$

# Topic 14 : Reading Graduated Cylinders

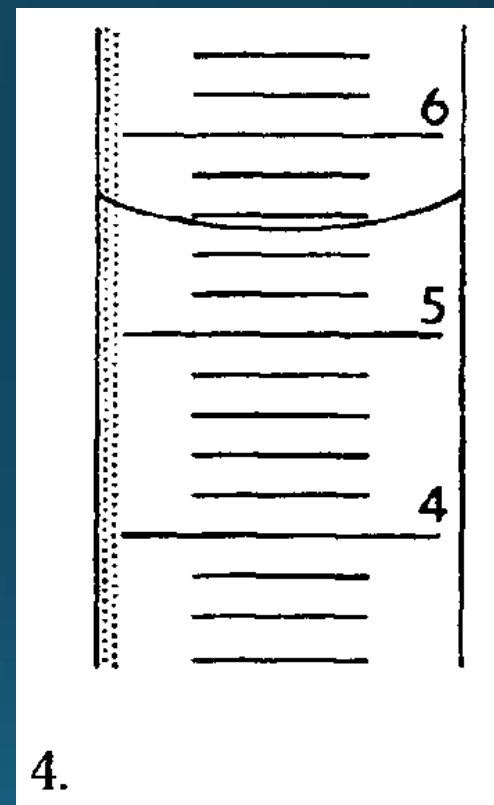


$54.0 \pm 0.5 \text{ mL}$



$41.5 \pm 0.2 \text{ mL}$

$= 0.0415 \pm 0.0002 \text{ L}$



$5.5 \pm 0.1 \text{ mL}$

# Uncertainty of Instruments

Instrument/Size	Smallest Division (with units)	Uncertainty (smallest division/2)
250 mL graduated cylinder		$\pm$ or $\pm$
100 mL graduated cylinder		$\pm$
50 mL graduated cylinder		$\pm$
25 mL graduated cylinder		$\pm$
10 mL graduated cylinder		$\pm$
400 mL Beaker		$\pm$
Alcohol Thermometer		$\pm$
Digital Thermometer	X	$\pm 0.1$ °C
Electronic Balance	X	$\pm 0.001$ g



# Rounding off Numbers

Rule:

1. Last digit  $> 5$ , drop the last digit & round up

i.e.  $7.37 \rightarrow 7.4$

2. Last digit  $< 5$ , drop the last digit

i.e.  $7.34 \rightarrow 7.3$

3. Last digit = 5

(i) previous digit odd – round up

i.e.  $5.35$  rounded to one decimal  $\rightarrow 5.4$

(ii) previous digit even – drop last digit

i.e.  $10.345$  rounded to 2 decimals  $\rightarrow 10.34$

(Practice pg. 1-21)

# Scientific Notation

Exercises pg. 1-22

# Significant Digits

- non-zeros
  - ie. 421
- Zeros between non-zeros
  - i.e. 406
- Zeros to the right of a decimal point after significant digits
  - i.e. 45.100)

# Non - Significant Digits

- Stand alone zeros left of the decimal point  
i.e. 0.421
- Zeros right of the decimal point before significant digits  
i.e. 0.00421
- Zeros after significant digits and before the decimal place  
i.e. 421000 these three zeros could be significant

To eliminate doubt → write in scientific notation

i.e.  $4.21 \times 10^5$  (3 significant digits)

$4.21000 \times 10^5$  (6 significant digits)

# Significant Digits Addition and Subtraction

(practice pg. 1-40)

1. Do the math
2. Round off to the least number of decimal places

i.e.    2.1745

134.2   ←

56.17

18.193

210.7375


# Significant Digits

## Multiplication and Division

practice pg. 1-41

1. Do the math
2. # of significant digits - same as number with the least #

i.e. 
$$\frac{(561.1)(34731)(23)}{(112)(24.713)}$$
$$= 161\text{985.4882}$$
$$= 1.6 \times 10^5$$



# Periodic Table Review

[Hyperlink to Periodic Table Review](#)

# Topic 16: Mole Problems

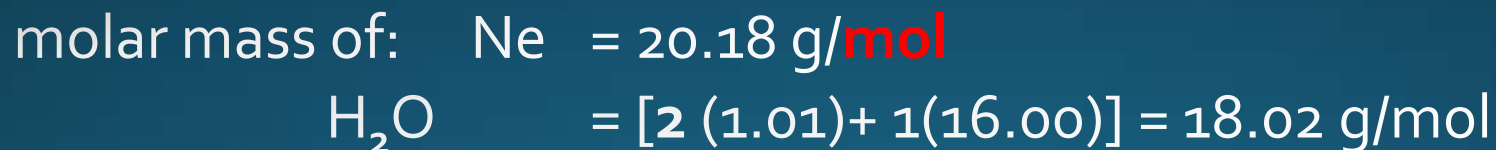
## What is a mole?

- Package of  $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  particles (molecules or atoms)

## What is molar mass?

- Mass of 1 mole of a substance.
- Sum of the atomic masses of the elements in a substance

i.e.





## Changing between grams, moles and molecules

$m = \text{mass (g)}$

$n = \# \text{ of moles (mol)}$

$MM = \text{Molar Mass (g/mol)}$

$N = \text{Avogadro's number (} 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ particles/mol)}$

Using ratios:

$$MM = m/n$$

$$N = \# \text{ particles}/n$$

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# More on Significant Figures ....

Note the following:

- When given a value that can be measured with an instrument (i.e. mass) consider its significant figures.
- When given a value that cannot be measured with an instrument (i.e. # of moles or # or molecules) do not consider this values significant figures.
- When using a calculated value in another calculation consider its significant figures.