Physics Lab Report Work 1 Determination of the density of the body

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Summary

In this Lab work we measure and determine the density of rectangular parallelogram and cylinder. we will measure the weight of parallelogram and cylinder with balance scale in air and then only parallelogram also in water and unknown liquid (alcohol), with 10 time measurements of diameter of the base and the height for cylinder and 3 sides of parallelogram we calculate the density. In the following pages comes the theory, calculations, formulas and the measures.

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1 Theory

Density (ρ) is defined by following equation where m is mass and v is volume of the body

$$\rho = \frac{m}{v}$$

According to Archimedes' principle if the weight of the water displaced is less than the weight of the object, the object will sink, Otherwise the object will float, with the weight of the water displaced equal to the weight of the object. As described the buoyancy is equal to weight of displaced fluid in Archimedes' principle.

$$\rho = \frac{m_a}{m_a - m_l} . \rho_l$$

Where m_a is mass of the body that measured surrounded by air and m_l is mass of the body measured surrounded by liquid and ρ_l is density fo the liquid.

For Calculating density of rectangular parallelogram according to density formula and v = abc we get

$$\rho = \frac{m_1}{abc}$$

And for the Cylinder we substitute v in density formula $v = \frac{\pi d^2 h}{4}$.





Figure 1: Micrometer

Figure 2: Caliper

2 Equipments

We used a variety of different equipments, the following list is the main tools we used for the tasks.

- 1. Micrometer (Figure 1)
- 2. Caliper (Figure 2)
- 3. Balance Scale
- 4. Aerometer
- 5. Water
- 6. Alcohol (as unknown liquid)
- 7. String
- 8. Metal parallelogram
- 9. Metal Cylinder
- 10. Beaker

3 Measurments and Calculations

- 3.1 Density of rectangular parallelogram
- 3.2 Density of cylinder
- 3.3 Density of unknown liquid

4 Error Estimation

5 Conclusion

- 1. First numbered list item
- 2. Second numbered list item

6 Bibliography