

## The Symbolic Representation



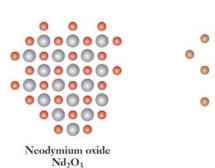
- Symbols are used to represent the atoms, molecules, and reactions
  - Pure aluminum, Al
  - Aluminum oxide, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

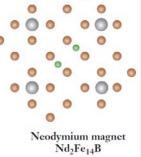
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### The Symbolic Representation (continued)







Particulate-level representation of neodymium oxide, Nd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Particulate-level representation of neodymium magnet, Nd<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>14</sub>B

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# (Q1)



Which property refers to the ability to shape a metal?

- Malleability
- Density
- Hardness

Answer:

Malleability

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## (Q2)



When a reaction is depicted as a chemical equation, what representation is being used?

- Macroscopic
- Microscopic
- Symbolic

Answer:

Symbolic

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#### Observations in Science



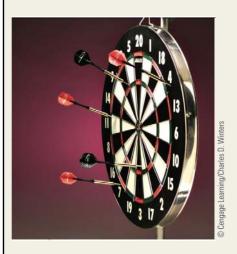
- · Observations are recorded via measurements
  - ✓ Accuracy: How close the observed value is to the "true" value
  - ✓ Precision: The spread in values obtained from measurements

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#### Observations in Science (continued 1)





- Measurements can have poor precision and poor accuracy
  - ✓ Darts are widely scattered and far away from the target

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#### Observations in Science (continued 2)





- Measurements can have good precision and poor accuracy
  - ✓ Darts are clustered together but are clustered far from the bull's-eye

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#### Observations in Science (continued 3)





- Measurements can have good precision and good accuracy
  - ✓ Darts are clustered together and close to the target

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### Observations in Science (continued 4)



- · Types of errors in measurements
  - ✓ Random error: May make a measurement randomly too high or too low
    - Variation associated with equipment limitations
  - ✓ Systematic error: May make a measurement consistently too high or too low
    - The presence of an impurity

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#### **Interpreting Observations**



- Inductive and deductive reasoning are used to interpret collected data and observations
  - ✓ Inductive reasoning begins with a series of specific observations and attempts to generalize to a larger, more universal conclusion
  - ✓ Deductive reasoning takes two or more statements or assertions and combines them so that a clear and irrefutable conclusion can be drawn

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# Numbers and Measurements in Chemistry



- · Chemists quantify data, expressing collected data with
  - ✓ Units
  - ✓ Prefixes
  - ✓ Significant Figures

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#### Units

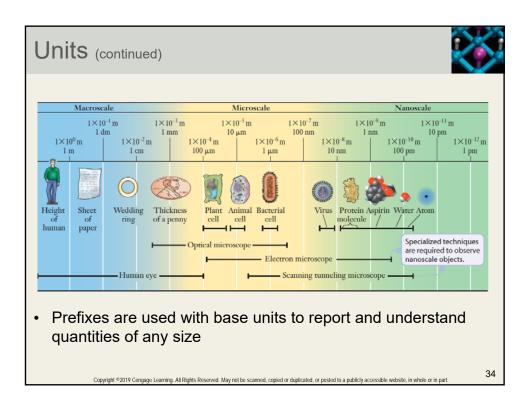


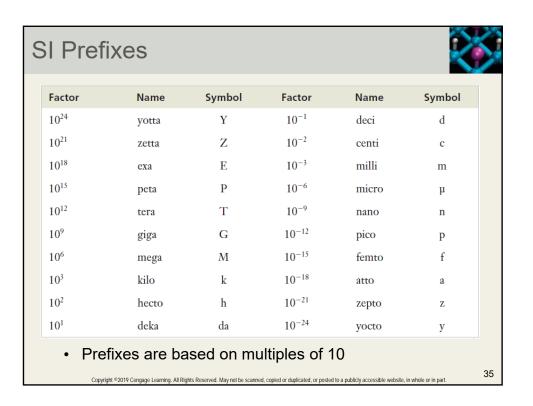
#### SI units:

Property	Unit, with Abbreviation
Mass	kilogram, kg 🖣
Time	second, s
Distance	meter, m
Electric current	ampere, A
Temperature	kelvin, K
Number of particles	mole, mol
Light intensity	candela, cd

- Some units comprise combinations of these base units and are termed derived units
  - 1 J = 1 kg  $m^2$  s<sup>-2</sup>

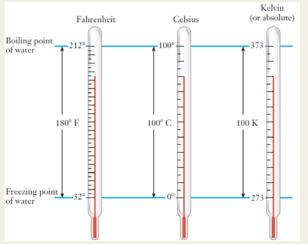
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## Temperature





 Temperature is measured using the Fahrenheit, Celsius, and Kelvin temperature scales

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## **Temperature Scale Conversions**



$$^{\circ}F = (1.8 \times ^{\circ}C) + 32$$

$$^{\circ}C = (^{\circ}F - 32)/1.8$$

$$K = {}^{\circ}C + 273.15$$

$$^{\circ}C = K - 273.15$$

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#### Numbers and Significant Figures



 Scientific notation is used to easily write very small and very large numbers

$$54,000 = 5.4 \times 10^4$$

$$0.000042 = 4.2 \times 10^{-5}$$

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### Significant Figures



#### Rules for counting significant figures:

- 1. Zeros in the middle of a number are like any other digit; they are always significant.
  - 4.803 cm 4 SF
- 2. Zeros at the beginning of a number are not significant; they act only to locate the decimal point.

$$0.00661 g$$
 3 SF (or  $6.61 \times 10^{-3} g$ )

in part.

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#### Significant Figures



#### Rules for counting significant figures:

3. Zeros at the end of a number and after the decimal point are always significant.

55.220 K 5 SF

4. Zeros at the end of a number and before the decimal point may or may not be significant.

34,200 m ? SF

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### Significant Figures



#### Math rules for keeping track of significant figures:

• **Multiplication or division**: The answer can't have more significant figures than either of the original numbers.

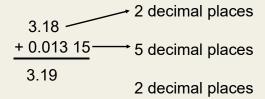
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## Significant Figures



#### Math rules for keeping track of significant figures:

 Addition or subtraction: The answer can't have more digits to the right of the decimal point than either of the original numbers.



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#### Significant Figures (continued 3)



#### Counting discrete objects

- ✓ Such measurements use exact numbers
  - · They have infinite significant figures

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(Q.4)



Which answer should be reported with 4 sig figs?

- (4.3 + 0.271) / 8.102
- $5.43 \times 2.215$
- 4.232 1.412
- 5.2920 / 4.22

Answer: (4.232 - 1.412)

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# Converting Measurements from One Unit to Another

Dimensional Analysis Method:

Original quantity × Conversion factor = Equivalent quantity

Relationship: 1 m = 39.37 in.

Conversion factor:  $\frac{1 \text{ m}}{39.37 \text{ in.}}$  or  $\frac{39.37 \text{ in.}}{1 \text{ m}}$ 

converts converts in. to m m to in.

Converting Measurements from One Unit to Another

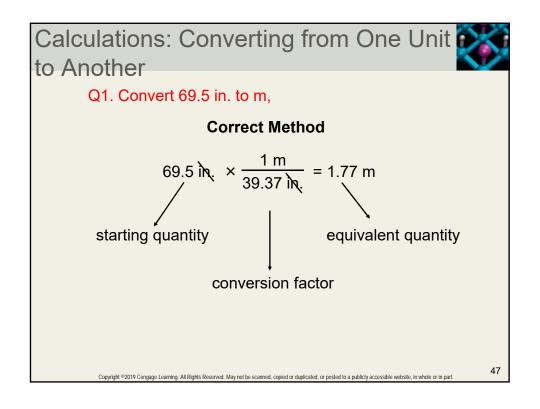
Q1. Convert 69.5 in. to m, 
$$\frac{1 \text{ m}}{39.37 \text{ in.}}$$
 or  $\frac{39.37 \text{ in.}}{1 \text{ m}}$ 

Incorrect Method

69.5 in.  $\times \frac{39.37 \text{ in.}}{1 \text{ m}} = 2740 \text{ in.}^2/\text{m}$ 

original quantity

?



# Example Problem 1.5



• What is the wavelength, in meters, of orange light of wavelength 615 nm?

$$1~m=1\times 10^9~nm$$

We can write this as a ratio. Because we want to convert  $from \ nm \ to \ m$ , we'll need m in the numerator and nm in the denominator:

$$\frac{1~\mathrm{m}}{10^9~\mathrm{nm}}$$

Then, we just complete the calculation:

$$615 \; nm \times \frac{1 \; m}{10^9 \; nm} = 6.15 \times 10^{-7} \; m$$

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