

## UNITS & DIMENSIONS.

Physical Quantity - A characteristic which can be measured and describes various laws of Physics.

Fundamental Quantities

These are chosen and named as fundamental quantities

Derived Quantities.

These are derived from fundamental quantities.

<u>Fundamental Quantity</u>	<u>SI Unit</u>	<u>Symbol</u>
1) Mass	kilogram	kg
2) Length	metre	m
3) Time	second	s
4) Temperature	Kelvin	K
5) Amount of Substance	mol	mol
6) Electric Current	Ampere	A
7) Luminous Intensity	Candela	cd

Supplementary Quantities.

Plane

Angle

Solid  
Angle.

Unit : It's a standard reference used for measurement of same physical quantity.

measurement =  $m u$   
↑  
numerical part      unit .

## System of Units

- 1) SI Unit (System International d'Unité's).
- 2) CGS System.  
length is centimetre, mass is grams, time is second
- 3) MKS system.  
length is metre, mass is kilograms, time is second
- 4) FPS System.  
length is foot, mass pound.  
time is second.

$$\underbrace{m_1 u_1 = m_2 u_2}$$

Measurement will not change.  
if we change the units.

DIMENSIONS: of a physical quantity is the powers raised to the fundamental quantities.

### Dimensions of fundamental Quantity

length [L]

Mass [M]

Time [T]

Temperature [K]

Electric Current [A]

Amnt. of substance [mol]

Luminous Intensity [cd]

### DIMENSIONS OF DERIVED QUANTITY

$$\text{Density} = \frac{\text{Mass}}{\text{Volume}} = \frac{[M]}{[L^3]} = [ML^{-3}]$$

Find the dimensions of.

$$1) \text{ Velocity} = [LT^{-1}] \quad 2) \text{ Acceleration} = [LT^{-2}] \quad 3) \text{ Force} = [MLT^{-2}] \quad 4) \text{ Work done} = [ML^2T]$$

### DIMENSION ANALYSIS:

① Conversion from one unit to another.

$$g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \xrightarrow{\text{CGS System}} \text{cm/s}^2$$

$$9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 = 9.8 \left( \frac{1\text{m}}{1\text{s} \times 1\text{s}} \right) = 9.8 \left( \frac{100\text{cm}}{1\text{s} \times 1\text{s}} \right) = 980 \left( \frac{1\text{cm}}{1\text{s} \times 1\text{s}} \right) = 980 \text{ cm/s}^2$$

② To finding unit of a physical quantity .

$$\text{Velocity} = [L T^{-1}] = \text{ms}^{-1}$$

③ To check correctness of a formula .

$$A = B + C^2 \quad \text{principle of Homogeneity of Dimensions.}$$
$$\dim(A) = \dim(B) = \dim(C^2)$$

Ques If  $v = a + bt + \frac{c}{d+t}$

The velocity of particle depends upon time 't' according to equation above then find dimensions of a, b, c & d .

$$\dim(a) = \dim(v) = [L T^{-1}]$$

$$\dim(d) = \dim(t) = [T]$$

$$\dim(bt) = \dim(v) = \dim(b)[T] = [L T^{-1}]$$
$$\Rightarrow \dim(b) = [L T^{-2}]$$

$$\dim\left(\frac{c}{d+t}\right) = \dim(v)$$

$$\frac{\dim(c)}{[T]} = \dim(v) \Rightarrow \dim(c) = [L T^{-1}] [T]$$
$$= [L]$$

④ Deriving a formula :

frequency ( $f$ ) of a stretched string depends on tension (Force) <sup>in the</sup> ( $F$ ) of string, length ( $l$ ) of

the string, mass per unit length ( $m$ ) of string

Derive formula for frequency.

$$f = () F^a l^b m^c$$

$$[T^{-1}] = [MLT^{-2}]^a [L]^b [ML^{-1}]^c$$

$$[T^{-1}] = [M^{a+c} L^{a+b-c} T^{-2a}]$$

equating powers on both sides

$$-2a = -1 \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a+c = 0 \Rightarrow c = -a = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$a+b-c = 0 \Rightarrow b = c-a = -1$$

$$f = K F^{1/2} l^{-1} m^{-1/2}$$

$$f = K \frac{1}{l} \sqrt{\frac{F}{m}}$$

## LIMITATIONS TO DIMENSIONAL ANALYSIS

- 1) Two or more physical quantities can have the same dimensions.  
eg. Torque Work.  
 $[ML^2T^{-2}]$   $[ML^2T^{-2}]$
- 2) While deriving a formula if number of fundamental quantities involved is less than the number of factors on which the formula of a physical quantity depends then it is not possible to get the formula.
- 3) Getting numerical constants is not possible through Dimensional Analysis.
- 4) If the factors involved have same dimension then it is practically impossible to get the respective powers via dimensional analysis.

$$X = A^{\frac{a}{L}} B^{\frac{b}{L}} C^{\frac{c}{L}}$$

- Q) Find Dimensional formula of
    - a) Coefficient of viscosity ('n')
    - b) Charge ('q')
    - c) potential ('V')
    - d) Capacitance ('C')
    - e) Resistance ('R')
- If some equations relating them are as follows.

$$F = -N A \left( \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta l} \right) \rightarrow \dim(F) = \frac{\dim(F)}{\dim(A)} \frac{\dim(\Delta l)}{\dim(\Delta V)} = \frac{[ML^{-2}][L]}{[L^2][LT^{-1}]} = [ML^{-1}T]$$

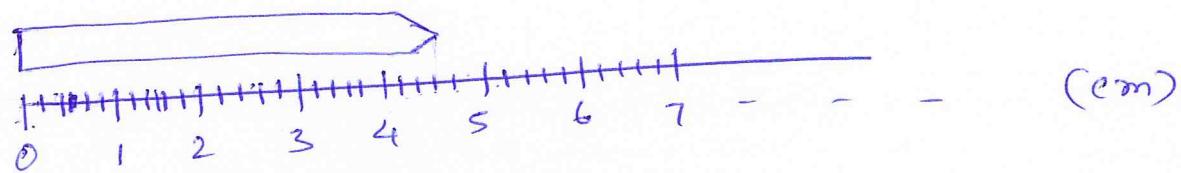
$$q = It \quad \dim(q) = [TA]$$

$$V = VIt \quad \dim(V) = \frac{\dim(V)}{\dim(I)\dim(t)} = \frac{[ML^2T^{-2}]}{[A][T]} = [ML^2T^3A]$$

$$q = CV \rightarrow \dim(C) = \frac{\dim(q)}{\dim(V)} = \frac{[TA]}{[ML^2T^3A^{-1}]} = [M^{-1}L^{-2}T^4A^2]$$

$$V = IR \rightarrow \dim(R) = \frac{\dim(V)}{\dim(I)} = [ML^2T^3A^{-2}]$$

### SIGNIFICANT FIGURES.



~~4.61~~ 4.61

Numbers of certain digits + 1<sup>st</sup> uncertain digit  
is the total number of significant figures.

### RULES FOR COUNTING SIGNIFICANT FIGURES.

1) All non-zero digits are significant.  
2345      4 SF

2) Zeros appearing between two non-zero digits  
is significant      2004      4 SF

3) If a number without decimal places have zeros at the end then those zeros are insignificant.

100	1 SF
1001	4 SF
101	3 SF
20000	1 SF

But for a measured quantity.

200 m	3 SF
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i) Zeros occurring to the left of first non zero digit are insignificant.

0.0023	2 SF
0.1023	4 SF

ii) In a number with decimal places the zeros after last non zero digit are significant.

1400	2 SF
1.400	4 SF

iii) Powers of 10 are not considered as significant digits.

$$2.7 \times 10^5 = 2 \text{ SF}$$

$$\underset{\uparrow}{27}0000 = 2 \text{ SF}$$

$$\frac{2.70}{\uparrow} \times 10^5 = 3 \text{ SF}$$

$$270000$$

7) Changes in unit of measurement  
should not change number of significant figures

$$2700 \text{ m} \quad 4 \text{ SF}$$

↓ cm.

$$270000 \text{ cm}$$

$$2.700 \times 10^5 \text{ cm} \quad 4 \text{ SF}$$

$$2700 \quad 2 \text{ SF}$$

↓

$$2.7 \times 10^3 \quad 2 \text{ SF}$$

Q) Find the number of significant figures for the following

1) 1245 (4) 2) 6024.7 (5) 3) 0.071 (2) 4)  $4100 \text{ cm}$  (4)

5) 220 (2) 6)  $2.450$  (4) 7)  $1.9 \times 10^{-5}$  (2)

8)  $2.80 \times 10^6$  (3)

## ALGEBRAIC OPERATIONS . ( EFFECT ON RESULT'S SIGNIFICANT FIGURES )

$$2.1 + 1.45$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 A & N \\
 2 & \cdot 1 \\
 \hline
 A & 1 - 4 S \\
 \hline
 3 & 5 \quad 5 \\
 A & N \quad N
 \end{array}$$

## 1) Addition | Subtraction .

$$10.1 + 9.245 + 0.45$$

3 SF      After decimal

1 SF      After decimal      2 SF      After decimal

From the list of measured values added/Subtract  
let 'n' be the number of significant figures  
after decimal place and least among them .

The result will have  $m^1$  significant figures.  
after decimal place .

Here  $n = 1$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 10.1 \\
 \times 9.245 \\
 \hline
 10.1 \\
 + 0.45 \\
 \hline
 9.795
 \end{array}$$

19.8 ←

## ② Multiplication / Division .

From list of measured values to multiplied or divided let 'n' be the least number of significant ~~figs~~ figures among them  
Then the result will have 'n' number of significant figures.

$$10.1 + \frac{\begin{array}{c} (2) \\[0.5ex] 2.1 \times 3.25 \end{array}}{10.0} = \frac{6.825}{10.0} = \begin{array}{l} 0.6825 \\[-1ex] (3) \\[-1ex] = 0.68 \end{array}$$

$$\underline{10.1} + \underline{0.68} = 10.78 = 10.8$$

~~10.1 + 0.6825~~

### RULES FOR ROUNDING OFF

ROUND IT TO 3 SF

10.665

cut off placee

$$10.665 = 10.7$$

$$10.551 = 10.6$$

$$10.649 = 10.6$$

$$10.500 = 10.5$$

$$10.6500 = 10.7$$

$$10.65 = 10.6$$

$$10.75 = 10.8$$

- 1) If number lying to right of cut off digit is less than 5 then cut off digit is retained however if it is more than 5 then cut off digit is increased by 1.
- 2) If the cut off digit is followed by
- a) 5 and other digits then ~~number~~<sup>cut off digit</sup> increased by 1.
- b) only 5.  
then cut off digit is changed to even.

Round to 2 SF

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \text{1) } 1.25 & \text{(1.2) 2) } 1.452 & \text{3) } 3.55 \\
 & & \text{(3.6)} \\
 \text{4) } 62.5 & \text{5) } 72.51 & \text{6) } 73.5 \\
 & \text{(62)} & \text{(73)} \\
 & & \text{(74)}
 \end{array}$$

## ERROR ANALYSIS

The measured value of a physical quantity is usually different from true value since result is determined experimentally & contains some uncertainty. This uncertainty is called the error.

### ERRORS

#### SYSTEMATIC ERRORS.

#### RANDOM ERRORS.

Due to instruments used, imperfection in experimental technique or carelessness of person.

1) Least Count

2) Zero Error.

) ABSOLUTE ERROR : Difference between true value & measured value of a quantity.

If ~~the~~ If  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$  are  $n$  readings.

$$\text{mean of all readings} \rightarrow x_m = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n}{n}$$

$$e_1 = |\text{true value} - x_1| \quad \text{errors in measurement}$$

If true value is not given we will use  $x_m$  instead.

$$e_1 = |x_m - x_1|$$

$$e_2 = |x_m - x_2|$$

⋮  
⋮

$$e_n = |x_m - x_n|$$

### MEAN ABSOLUTE ERROR

$$e_m = \frac{e_1 + e_2 + e_3 + \dots + e_n}{n}$$

$$\text{RELATIVE ERROR} : = \frac{\text{MEAN ABSOLUTE ERROR}}{\text{MEAN OF MEASUREMENTS}}$$

$$= \frac{e_m}{x_m}$$

$$\text{PERCENTAGE ERROR} = \frac{e_m}{x_m} \times 100\%$$

The diameter of wire is measured by screw gauge was found to be

2.620, 2.625, 2.628, 2.626 cm.

Calculate :

a) Mean Value of diameter  
2.625

b) Mean absolute error.

$$0.00225 = \frac{0.00500 + 0.000 + 0.00300 + 0.000}{4}$$

## COMBINATION OF ERRORS.

1) Addition | Subtraction . (Absolute errors are added)

$$R = \underline{x + y}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R \pm \Delta R &= (\underline{x \pm \Delta x}) + (\underline{y \pm \Delta y}) \\ &= (\cancel{x+y}) \pm (\underline{\Delta x + \Delta y}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cancel{B(x \pm y)} \pm \Delta R &= (\cancel{x \pm y}) \pm (\underline{\Delta x + \Delta y}) \\ \pm \Delta R &= \pm (\underline{\Delta x + \Delta y}) \end{aligned}$$

2) MULTIPLICATION / DIVISION .

$$\cancel{\Delta} = A \cdot B$$

Subtraction .

$$R = x - y$$

$$R \pm \Delta R = (\underline{x \pm \Delta x}) - (\underline{y \pm \Delta y})$$

$$R \pm \Delta R = x \pm \Delta x - y \pm \Delta y$$

$$\pm \Delta R = \pm (\Delta x + \Delta y)$$

2) Multiplication / Division . ( Relative Errors are added up )

$$Z = A \times B$$

Percentage Errors are Added Up .

$$Z \pm \Delta Z = (A \pm \Delta A) \times (B \pm \Delta B)$$

$$= A \times B \pm (\Delta A)B \pm (\Delta B)A \pm \cancel{\Delta A \Delta B}$$

$$\frac{\Delta Z}{Z} = \frac{A \Delta B}{Z} + \frac{B \Delta A}{Z}$$

$$\frac{\Delta Z}{Z} = \frac{\Delta B}{B} + \frac{\Delta A}{A}$$

$$\frac{\Delta Z}{Z} \times 100\% = \frac{\Delta B \times 100\%}{B} + \frac{\Delta A \times 100\%}{A}$$

$$Z_1 = A^2 B^3$$

$$Z = A^n B^m$$

$$= A \times A \times B \times B \times B \quad \frac{\Delta Z \times 100\%}{Z} = n \frac{\Delta A \times 100\%}{A} + m \frac{\Delta B \times 100\%}{B}$$

$$\frac{\Delta Z_1 \times 100\%}{\Delta Z} = \frac{\Delta A}{A} \times 100\% + \frac{\Delta A}{A} \times 100\% + 3 \frac{\Delta B \times 100\%}{B}$$

$$= 2 \frac{\Delta A}{A} \times 100\% + 3 \frac{\Delta B \times 100\%}{B}$$

$$Z = \underline{A^n B^m}$$

$$\frac{A^n}{B^m} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\Delta Z \times 100\%}{Z} = n \frac{\Delta A}{A} \times 100\% + m \frac{\Delta B \times 100\%}{B}$$

Q1 If side of square is  $3 \pm 2\%$

Find % error in Area of square.

Q2 If  $y = x^3 z^2$

Error in  $x$  is  $1\%$

Error in  $z$  is  $2\%$

What is error in  $y$ .

Q3 If

$$A = 1.0 \text{ m} \pm 0.2 \text{ m} \Rightarrow 2.0 \text{ m} \pm 10\%$$

$$B = 2.0 \text{ m} \pm 0.2 \text{ m}$$

$$C = 2.5 \text{ m/s} \pm 0.5 \text{ m/s} \Rightarrow 2.5 \text{ m/s} \pm 20\%$$

$$D = 0.10 \text{ s} \pm 0.01 \text{ s} \Rightarrow 0.10 \text{ s} \pm 10\%$$

Find

$$1) A + B$$

$$2) B - A$$

$$3) C \times D$$

$$4) B/D$$

$$5) 3 \times A$$

Ans 1  $S = 3 \pm 2\%$

$$A = S^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\% \text{ error in } A &= 2(\% \text{ error in } S) \\ &= 2 \times (2\%) \\ &= 4\%\end{aligned}$$

Ans 2  $y = x^3 z^2$

$$\begin{aligned}\% \text{ error in } y &= 3(\% \text{ error in } x) + 2(\% \text{ error in } y) \\ &= 3(1\%) + 2(2\%) \\ &= 7\%\end{aligned}$$

Ans 3

(1)  $A+B = 3.0 \text{ m} \pm (0.4 \text{ m})$

(2)  $B-A = 1.0 \text{ m} \pm (0.4 \text{ m})$

(3)  $CxD = 0.25 \text{ m} \pm 30\%$   
 $= 0.25 \text{ m} \pm 0.08 \text{ m}$

(4)  $B/D = 20 \text{ m/s} \pm 20\%$   
 $= 20 \text{ m/s} \pm 4 \text{ m/s}$

(5)  $3A = 3.0 \text{ m} \pm 0.6 \text{ m}$