

Law of Large Numbers

(fluctuations)

f_i little part



$$F = \sum f_i; \bar{F} = \sum_i \bar{f}$$

\bar{f}_i = average

$$\Delta f_i = \bar{f}_i - f_i$$

$$\Delta F = F - \bar{F} = \sum_i (f_i - \bar{f}) = \sum_i \Delta f_i = 0$$

$$(\Delta F)^2 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \Delta f_i \right)^2 = \sum_i \Delta f_i \sum_j \Delta f_j$$

terms w $i \neq j$ uncorrelated therefore vanish

$$(\Delta F)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N (\Delta f_i)^2$$

make all parts (approx.)

$$\sum_{i=1}^N (\Delta f_i)^2 = N (\Delta F)^2$$

$$\frac{(\Delta F)^2}{F^2} \rightarrow \frac{[(\Delta F)^2]^{1/2}}{F}$$

$$= \frac{N^{1/2} \Delta F}{N F} = \frac{(\Delta F)^2]^{1/2}}{F}$$

fluc. in f fluc. in F

drop of water

$$1 \text{ cm}^3 = 10^{22} \text{ mol.}$$

$$\frac{1}{(10^{22})^{1/2}} \sim 10^{-11} N$$