

Lab Notes

Measurement and Uncertainty

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1 Lecture Notes

1.1 SI Units and Conversion

SI units are used in the sciences to convey information better.

To convert m to cm:

$$\frac{1.70m}{\frac{1m}{100cm}} = 1.70m \times \frac{100cm}{1m} = 170cm$$

1.2 Significant Figures

Significant Figures are used to convey error.

4539 m has 4 sigfigs.

1.2.1 logarithms & exponents

$$\log_{10} 339 = 2.530$$

number of sigfigs in the mantissa is the same as the sigfigs in the input.

1.3 Procedure

Measure in the center of the meniscus. The graduated cylinder is calibrated to the meniscus.