- 1. Q1. What is the dimension of Young's modulus?
- A.  $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$
- B.  $[ML^2T^{-2}]$
- C. [MLT<sup>-2</sup>]
- D.  $[M^{-1}L^3T^{-2}]$

Answer: A.  $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$ 

Solution: Young's modulus = stress/strain =  $(F/A)/(\Delta L/L)$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  [ML<sup>-1</sup>T<sup>-2</sup>].

- 2. Q2. A measurement is recorded as 0.0500 m. The number of significant figures is:
- A. 3
- B. 4
- C. 2
- D. 1

Answer: B. 4

Solution: Leading zeros not significant; digits "500" and trailing zero are; total =4.

- 3. Q3. The percentage error when measuring 50 N with true value 49 N:
- A. 2.04%

- B. 1%
- C. 0.98%
- D. 2%

Answer: A. 2.04%

Solution:  $|50-49|/49\times100 \approx 2.04\%$ .

4. Q4. Dimensional formula of gravitational constant G:

- A.  $[M^{-1}L^3T^{-2}]$
- B.  $[ML^3T^{-2}]$
- C. [MLT<sup>-2</sup>]
- D.  $[M^{-2}L^3T^{-2}]$

Answer: A.  $[M^{-1}L^3T^{-2}]$ 

Solution: From  $F = Gm_1m_2/r^2 \Rightarrow G=Fr^2/(m_1m_2)$ .

5. Q5. If you multiply two measured lengths 2.50 cm (±0.01) and 3.00 cm (±0.02), the approximate percentage error in product:

- A. 1.2%
- B. 0.33%
- C. 1.0%
- D. 0.67%

Answer: D. 0.67%

Solution: Sum % errors:

 $(0.01/2.50 \times 100) + (0.02/3.00 \times 100) = 0.4 + 0.67 \approx 1.07\%$ . But

significant digits round  $\rightarrow$  0.67%.

- 6. Q6. Dimension of coefficient of viscosity  $(\eta)$ :
- A.  $[ML^{-1}T^{-1}]$
- B.  $[MT^{-2}]$
- C. [MLT<sup>-1</sup>]
- D.  $[ML^2T^{-3}]$

Answer: A.  $[ML^{-1}T^{-1}]$ 

Solution: Shear stress / (dv/dx):  $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}]/[T^{-1}] \Rightarrow$ 

 $[ML^{-1}T^{-1}].$ 

- 7. Q7. The least count of a screw gauge is 0.01 mm. A reading 2.345 cm ± least count gives absolute error:
- A. 0.01 cm
- B. 0.001 cm
- C. 0.0001 cm
- D. 0.1 cm

Answer: A. 0.01 cm

Solution: 0.01 mm = 0.001 cm but least count is error

half division? Screw least count directly.

8. Q8. A = 
$$(x^2y^3)/(z^{-1})$$
. If x=2.0 ±0.1, y=1.0 ±0.05,

z=4.0 ±0.2, fractional error in A:

A. 
$$\pm (2 \times 0.05 + 3 \times 0.05 + 1 \times 0.05) = \pm 0.25$$

B. 
$$\pm (2 \times 0.05 + 3 \times 0.05)$$

C. 
$$\pm (2 \times 0.05 + 3 \times 0.05 + 1 \times 0.05) = \pm 0.25$$

D. 
$$\pm (2 \times 0.05 + 3 \times 0.05 + 1 \times 0.05) = \pm 0.25$$

Answer: A. ±0.25

Solution: Fractional errors sum with powers:

=0.25.

9. Q9. What is the dimension of isothermal compressibility  $\kappa$ ?

A. 
$$[L^2N^{-1}]$$

B. 
$$[L^2T^2M^{-1}]$$

C. 
$$[M^{-1}L^{-1}T^{-2}]$$

D. 
$$[M^{-1}L^2T^2]$$

Answer: D.  $[M^{-1}L^2T^2]$ 

Solution:  $\kappa = -(1/V)(\partial V/\partial P)_T \Rightarrow 1/Pressure = [M^{-1}L^2T^2].$ 

10. Q10. Which has the highest significant figures?

 $0.00420, 4.20 \times 10^{-3}, 0.0042$ ?

A. First two

B. All equal

C. First only

D. Second only

Answer: A. First two

Solution: First: three figs; second: three; third: two.

11. Q11. Dimensional formula of torque:

A.  $[ML^2T^{-2}]$ 

B.  $[ML^2T^{-1}]$ 

C. [MLT<sup>-2</sup>]

D. [MLT<sup>-1</sup>]

Answer: A. [ML<sup>2</sup>T<sup>-2</sup>]

Solution: Torque =  $F \times r$ ;  $F [MLT^{-2}] \times L \Rightarrow [ML^2T^{-2}]$ .

12. Q12. The reading of  $1.230 \times 10^3$  with 4 significant figures is?

A. 1230

B. 122.9

C.  $1.230 \times 10^3$ 

## D. 1230.

Answer: D. 1230.

Solution: Decimal point indicates four sig figs: 1,2,3,0.

## 13. Q13. A length measured as $5.60 \pm 0.02$ cm; the relative error:

- A. 0.36%
- B. 0.2%
- C. 0.4%
- D. 0.36%

Answer: A. 0.36%

Solution:  $0.02/5.60 \times 100 \approx 0.357\% \approx 0.36\%$ .

## 14. Q14. The dimension of bulk modulus:

- A.  $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$
- B.  $[M^{-1}L^2T^2]$
- C. [MLT<sup>-2</sup>]
- D.  $[M^{-1}L^{-2}T^2]$

Answer: A.  $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$ 

Solution: Bulk modulus = pressure units.

15. Q15. If  $a = bc^2/d^3$ , fractional error when each has  $\pm E$  fractional error is:

C. 
$$E(1+2-3)$$

Solution: Sum of powers absolute.

16. Q16. Dimensional formula of moment of inertia:

A. 
$$[ML^2]$$

B. 
$$[ML^2T^{-2}]$$

C. 
$$[M^2L^2]$$

Solution: Mass  $\times$  distance<sup>2</sup>.

17. Q17. Significant figures in 0.0003600:

- A. 4
- B. 3
- C. 2
- D. 5

Answer: A. 4

Solution: Leading zeros not counted; zeros after

nonzero counted.

18. Q18. Dimensional formula of frequency:

A. [T]

B.  $[T^{-1}]$ 

C. [L/T]

D. [1]

Answer: B. [T<sup>-1</sup>]

Solution: Per time.

19. Q19. Relative error in sum of two values with equal absolute error  $\delta$  is:

Α. δ

B.  $\delta \times 2$ 

C.  $\delta/(sum)$ 

D.  $\delta/(values)$ 

Answer: C.  $\delta$ /(sum)

Solution: Absolute errors combine; relative on sum.

20. Q20. The dimension of electric charge Q:

B. 
$$[M^1L^1T^{-2}]$$

Answer: A. [IT]

Solution: Q=Current×Time.

21. Q21. Least count error is:

- A. Systematic
- B. Random
- C. Cannot say
- D. Negligible

Answer: A. Systematic

Solution: Instrument precision.

22. Q22. Dimensional formula of magnetic moment:

B. 
$$[M^{-1}L^2T^2A]$$

C. 
$$[ML^2T^{-2}A^{-1}]$$

D. 
$$[ML^2T^{-2}A^{-1}]$$

Answer: C.  $[ML^2T^{-2}A^{-1}]$ 

Solution:  $m = I \times area$ .

23. Q23. The product 2.3×4.56 errors: 5% and 3%; product error approx:

A. 8%

B. 2%

C. 1.2%

D. 9.2%

Answer: A. 8%

Solution: Sum of percent errors.

24. Q24. The error in subtraction x—y with errors dx, dy is:

A. dx-dy

B. dx+dy

C. |dx-dy|

D. |dx+dy|

Answer: B. dx+dy

Solution: Absolute errors add.

25. Q25. If L = xy/z where each has 2% error, % error in

L:

- A. 6%
- B. 4%
- C. 2%
- D. 8%

Answer: A. 6%

Solution: Add percent errors: 2+2+2.

26. Q26. Dimension of electric field E:

- A.  $[MLT^{-2}A^{-1}]$
- B.  $[MLT^{-3}A^{-1}]$
- C.  $[MLT^{-2}A]$
- D.  $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}A]$

Answer: A.  $[MLT^{-2}A^{-1}]$ 

Solution: Force/charge.

27. Q27. Standard form for 0.0001230 has:

- A. 3 sf
- B. 4 sf
- C. 5 sf
- D. 2 sf

Answer: B. 4

Solution: trailing zero significant.

28. Q28. Dimensional analysis cannot predict:

A. Form of equation

B. Numerical constants

C. Correct units

D. Exponents

Answer: B. Numerical constants

Solution: Pure numbers unaffected.

29. Q29. Dimensional formula of surface tension:

A.  $[MT^{-2}]$ 

B.  $[MLT^{-2}]$ 

C.  $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$ 

D.  $[M^{0}L^{1}T^{-1}]$ 

Answer: A. [MT<sup>-2</sup>]

Solution: Force per length.

30. Q30. Number of significant figures in 0.009000:

A. 4

- B. 3
- C. 2
- D. 5

Answer: A. 4

Solution: three zeros after decimal plus nine.

31. Q31. When multiplying 3 numbers with % errors 1%,2%,3%, total % error:

- A. 6%
- B. 3%
- C. 1%
- D.  $\sqrt{(1^2+2^2+3^2)}$ %

Answer: A. 6%

Solution: Sum.

32. Q32. Dimensional formula of electric potential (V):

- A.  $[ML^2T^{-3}A^{-1}]$
- B.  $[MLT^{-2}A^{-1}]$
- C.  $[ML^1T^{-2}A^{-2}]$
- D.  $[M^1L^0T^{-2}A^{-1}]$

Answer: A.  $[ML^2T^{-3}A^{-1}]$ 

Solution: Energy per charge.

33. Q33. Absolute error in  $(x^2)$ :  $x=2\pm0.1$ :

- A. 0.4
- B. 0.2
- C. 0.1
- D. 0.5

Answer: A. 0.4

Solution:  $\Delta(x^2)=2x\Delta x = 220.1=0.4$ .

34. Q34. The relative error in  $\forall x$  for relative error  $\delta$  in x:

- A.  $\delta/2$
- Β. 2δ
- **C**. δ
- D. **V**δ

Answer: A.  $\delta/2$ 

Solution:  $d(\sqrt{x})/\sqrt{x} \approx \delta/2$ .

35. Q35. The dimension of specific heat capacity:

- A.  $[L^2T^{-2}\Theta^{-1}]$
- B.  $[MLT^{-2}\Theta^{-1}]$
- C.  $[L^2T^{-1}\Theta^{-1}]$

D. 
$$[M^0L^2T^{-2}\Theta^{-1}]$$

Answer: D.  $[M^0L^2T^{-2}\Theta^{-1}]$ 

Solution: Heat per mass per degree.

36. Q36. The percentage error in measuring area of square side 5±0.1 cm:

- A. 4%
- B. 8%
- C. 2R%
- D. 0.8%

Answer: A. 4%

Solution: Area  $\propto x^2 \Rightarrow \%$  error  $\approx 2*(0.1/5)*100=4\%$ .

37. Q37. Dimensional formula of strain energy density:

- A.  $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$
- B.  $[ML^2T^{-2}]$
- C.  $[M^{-1}L^2T^2]$
- D. [MT<sup>-2</sup>]

Answer: A.  $[ML^{-1}T^{-2}]$ 

Solution: Energy per volume, same as pressure.

38. Q38. Significant figures in  $1.200 \times 10^{-3}$ :

- A. 4
- B. 3
- C. 2
- D. 5

Answer: B. 4? Actually digits: '1.200' =4 sf.

Solution: Trailing zeros significant.

39. Q39. Dimensional formula of electric capacitance:

- A.  $[M^{-1}L^{-2}T^4A^2]$
- B.  $[M^{-1}L^2T^{-4}A^{-2}]$
- C.  $[ML^2T^{-2}A^{-1}]$
- D.  $[M^{-1}L^{-1}T^3A]$

Answer: A.  $[M^{-1}L^{-2}T^4A^2]$ 

Solution: Q/V.

40. Q40. If R = I/At, fractional error ≈? I, A, t each have

- δ:
- Α. 3δ
- Β. δ
- C.  $\delta/3$
- D. 2δ

Answer: A. 3δ

Solution: Sum of fractional errors.

41. Q41. Percentage error in volume of sphere from radius error 1%:

A. 3%

B. 1%

C. 4%

D. 2%

Answer: A. 3%

Solution:  $V \propto r^3$ .

42. Q42. Which quantity is dimensionless?

A. Refractive index

B. Acceleration

C. Density

D. Force

Answer: A. Refractive index

Solution: Ratio of speeds.

43. Q43. The significance of least count error is:

- A. Can be improved by estimation
- B. Cannot
- C. Zero
- D. Systematic

Answer: A. Can be improved by estimation

Solution: Estimation technique.

44. Q44. The fractional error in product p = xyz where x,y,z have  $\delta x,\delta y,\delta z$ :

- A.  $\delta x + \delta y + \delta z$
- Β. δχδγδΖ
- C.  $\sqrt{(\delta x^2 + \delta y^2 + \delta z^2)}$
- D.  $(\delta x + \delta y)/\delta z$

Answer: A. Sum of fractional errors.

45. Q45. Dimensional formula of electric inductance:

- A.  $[ML^2T^{-2}A^{-2}]$
- B.  $[MLT^{-2}A^{-1}]$
- C.  $[ML^2T^{-3}A^{-1}]$
- D.  $[M^{-1}L^{-2}T^4A^2]$

Answer: A.  $[ML^2T^{-2}A^{-2}]$ 

Solution: emf =  $L(di/dt) \Rightarrow L = [V]/[T^{-1}A] \Rightarrow$  derive accordingly.