

# Sound Velocity Worksheet

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Distance  $d$  with uncertainty and units:  $d = 153.3 \pm 0.1$  cm

What is the uncertainty in your measurements of time? 0.0007 s

Trial	Time (s)	Velocity (m/s)
1	0.0089 s	34.449
2	0.0087	<del>34.241</del> 35.241
3	0.0088	34.841
4	0.0088	34.841
5	0.0088	34.841
6	0.0088	34.841
7	0.0089	34.449
8	0.0089	34.449
9	0.0087	35.241
10	0.0087	35.241

$$v = \frac{2d}{s}$$

Mean velocity = 34.8 Standard dev. = 3.24 St. error of mean = 1.

Calculated uncertainty in velocity for one typical run.  $\delta v = 27.7 \approx 28$ .

Show your work on the back of this page.

How does this uncertainty compare to your results for Standard Deviation and St. error of the mean for your multiple trials? Do your results make sense?

$B = (1.5 \pm 0.2) \times 10^5$  as std. dev takes into account the number of samples, and our errors were also estimated on the safe side.

It is significantly more than that of the whole set. This is expected.

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Show your work for the calculation of the uncertainty in velocity for one typical run and for your calculation of the bulk modulus of air and its uncertainty:

$$v = \frac{2d}{s}$$

$$\delta_v = \sqrt{\left(\left(\frac{\delta d}{d}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\delta s}{s}\right)^2\right)}$$

$$= 27.7 \text{ m/s}$$


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$$v = \sqrt{B/\rho}$$

$$B = v^2 \rho$$

$$\rho = 1.204 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$\delta_B = \cancel{B} B \frac{2\delta v}{v}$$

$$B = (1.5 \pm 0.2) \times 10^5 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}^2 \text{m}}$$

# Standing Waves on a String Worksheet

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String mass  $M_{\text{string}} =$  8.3  $\pm$  0.1 g

String length  $L =$  205.5  $\pm$  0.5 cm

Discussion of reasoning for appropriate length for finding  $\mu$  and measurement techniques:

$\mu = \frac{m}{L}$  we weighed and measured the stretched string above, and can now calculate the mass density with  $\frac{m}{L}$ .

$$\sigma_{\mu} = \mu \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_m}{m}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_L}{L}\right)^2}$$

Linear density  $\mu =$  0.00404  $\pm$  0.0005 kg/m

Mass of hanging mass  $M_{\text{mass}} =$  0.2 kg (we can assume negligible uncertainty)

Enter into the table on the reverse side of this worksheet the frequencies, periods and wavelengths of each arrangement of standing waves that you observe. Include uncertainties.

Measured velocity of wave propagation  $V_M =$  23.7  $\pm$  0.1 m/s

Predicted value  $V_P =$  22.  $\pm$  1. m/s  $V_P = \sqrt{\frac{gM}{\mu}}$   $\sigma_{V_P} = V_P \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_M}{M}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sigma_{\mu}}{\mu}\right)^2}$

Compare your measured and predicted values of the wave velocity. Comment on their consistency. Justify your conclusions.

They are very close, error propagation from our estimated value is fairly conservative. additional error could be due to inconsistencies in the human measurement and estimation of Hz.

Attach a printout of your *Origin* graph and linear fit, with fit parameters.

Number of Loops $n$	Frequency $f$ (Hz)	Period $T$ (s)	Length $D$ of $n$ loops	Wavelength $\lambda$ (m)
1	9	0.111	1.32 m	2.64
2	18	0.056	1.27 m	1.27
3	27	0.037	1.275 m	0.85
4	36.5	0.027	1.25 m	0.625
5	45.22	0.022	1.25 m	0.5
6	54.1	0.018	1.25 m	0.417
7	63.5	0.016	1.24 m	0.354
8	73.5	0.014	1.24 m	0.310
9	82.6	0.012	1.23 m	0.273
10	91.8	0.011	1.24 m	0.248
11	101.	0.010	1.23 m	0.224
12	111.4	0.009	1.22 m	0.203
13	121.5	0.008	1.23 m	0.189
14	129.6	0.008	1.23 m	0.176

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