
Problem set 1

▪ Uncertainty and Significant Figures

Express each approximation of π to six significant figures:

- a) $\frac{22}{7}$,
- b) $\frac{355}{113}$,
- c) Are these approximations accurate to that precision?

▪ Vector Algebra

1. See your textbook page 98, problem 48.
2. You are camping with Joy and Hannah. Since all three of you like your privacy, you don't pitch your tents close together. Joy's tent is 21.0 m from yours, in the direction 23.0° south of east. Hannah's tent is 32.0 m from yours, in the direction 37.0° north of east. What is the distance between Joy's tent and Hannah's tent?

▪ Data and Units Conversion

You are a team leader at a pharmaceutical company. Several technicians are preparing samples, and you want to compare the densities of the samples (density = mass/volume) by using the mass and volume values they have reported. Unfortunately, you did not specify what units to use. The technicians used a variety of units in reporting their values, as shown in the following table.

Sample ID	Mass	Volume
A	8.00 g	$1.67 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3$
B	6.00 μg	$9.38 \times 10^6 \mu\text{m}^3$
C	8.00 mg	$2.50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^3$
D	$9.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg}$	$2.81 \times 10^3 \text{ mm}^3$
E	$9.00 \times 10^4 \text{ ng}$	$1.41 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mm}^3$
F	$6.00 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mg}$	$1.25 \times 10^8 \mu\text{m}^3$

List the sample IDs in order of increasing density of the sample. Show your work.