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- Q 1. The initial and final temperatures of water as recorded by an observer are  $(40.6 \pm 0.2)^\circ\text{C}$  and  $(78.3 \pm 0.3)^\circ\text{C}$ . Calculate the rise in temperature.
- (a)  $(37.7 \pm 0.5)^\circ\text{C}$  (b)  $(37.7 \pm 0.1)^\circ\text{C}$   
(c)  $37^\circ\text{C}$  (d)  $(37.7 \pm 0.6)^\circ\text{C}$
- Q 2. If the length of rod A is  $3.25 \pm 0.01$  cm and that of B is  $4.19 \pm 0.01$  cm then the rod B is longer than rod A by:
- (a)  $0.94 \pm 0.00$  cm (b)  $0.94 \pm 0.01$  cm  
(c)  $0.94 \pm 0.02$  cm (d)  $0.94 \pm 0.005$  cm
- Q 3. Acceleration due to gravity is given by  $g = \frac{GM}{R^2}$  what is the equation of the fractional error  $\frac{\Delta g}{g}$  in measurement of gravity  $g$  [ $G$  &  $M$  constant]:
- (a)  $-\frac{\Delta R}{R}$  (b)  $2\frac{\Delta R}{R}$  (c)  $\left(\frac{\Delta R}{R}\right)^2$  (d)  $\frac{1}{2}\frac{\Delta R}{R}$
- Q 4. If error in measuring diameter of a circle is 4%, the error in the radius of the circle would be:
- (a) 2% (b) 8% (c) 4% (d) 1%
- Q 5. A physical quantity is given by  $X = M^a L^b T^c$ . The percentage error in measurement of  $M$ ,  $L$  and  $T$  are  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  respectively. Then maximum percentage error in the quantity  $X$  is
- (a)  $a\alpha + b\beta + c\gamma$  (b)  $a\alpha + b\beta - c\gamma$   
(c)  $\frac{a}{\alpha} + \frac{b}{\beta} + \frac{c}{\gamma}$  (d) None of these
- Q 6. The resistance  $R = \frac{V}{I}$  where  $V = 100 \pm 5$  volts and  $I = 10 \pm 0.2$  amperes. What is the total error in  $R$  ?
- (a) 5% (b) 7% (c) 5.2% (d)  $\frac{5}{2}\%$
- Q 7. According to Joule's law of heating, heat produced  $H = I^2 R t$ , where  $I$  is current,  $R$  is resistance and  $t$  is time. If the errors in the measurements of  $I$ ,  $R$  and  $t$  are 3%, 4% and 6% respectively then error in the measurement of  $H$  is
- (a)  $\pm 17\%$  (b)  $\pm 16\%$   
(c)  $\pm 19\%$  (d)  $\pm 25\%$



- Q 8. Error in the measurement of radius of a sphere is 1%. The error in the calculated value of its volume is  
(a) 1% (b) 3%  
(c) 5% (d) 7%
- Q 9. A body travels uniformly a distance  $(13.8 \pm 0.2)$  m in a time  $(4.0 \pm 0.3)$  s. Calculate its velocity with error limits. What is the percentage error in velocity?  
(a) 6.6% (b) 2.6%  
(c) 8.9% (d) 4.8%
- Q 10. A physical quantity A is related to a, b, c and d as follows  $A = \frac{a^2 b^3}{c \sqrt{d}}$ , the percentage errors of measurement in a, b, c and d are 1%, 3%, 2% and 2% respectively. What is the percentage error in the quantity A  
(a) 12% (b) 7%  
(c) 5% (d) 14%
- Q 11. The length, breadth and thickness of a strip are  $(10.0 \pm 0.1)$  cm,  $(1.00 \pm 0.01)$  cm and  $(0.100 \pm 0.001)$  cm respectively. The error in its volume will be  
(a)  $\pm 0.03 \text{ cm}^3$  (b)  $\pm 0.111 \text{ cm}^3$  (c)  $\pm 0.012 \text{ cm}^3$  (d) none of these
- Q 12. The period of oscillation of a simple pendulum in the experiment is recorded as 2.63s, 2.56s, 2.42s, 2.71s and 2.80s respectively. The average absolute error is  
(a) 0.1s (b) 0.11s (c) 0.01s (d) 1.0s
- Q 13. The percentage errors in the measurement of mass and speed are 2% and 3% respectively. How much will be the maximum error in the estimate of kinetic energy obtained by measuring mass and speed?  
(a) 11% (b) 8% (c) 5% (d) 1%
- Q 14. A cylindrical wire has a mass  $0.3 \pm 0.003$ g, radius  $0.5 \pm 0.005$  mm and length  $6 \pm 0.06$  cm. The maximum percentage error in the measurement of its density is:  
(a) 1% (b) 2%  
(c) 3% (d) 4%
- Q 15. For resistances  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , connected in parallel, Find the relative error in their equivalent resistance, if  $R_1 = (50 \pm 2) \text{ ohm}$  and  $R_2 = (100 \pm 3) \text{ ohm}$ ?  
(a) 0.0366 (b) 0.0633  
(c) 0.6363 (d) 0.0363
- Q 16. Given the numbers : 161cm, 0.161cm, 0.0161 cm. The number of significant figures for the three numbers are  
(a) 3, 4 and 5 respectively (b) 3, 3 and 3 respectively  
(c) 3, 3 and 4 respectively (d) 3, 4 and 4 respectively
- Q 17. The number of significant figures in 0.00210 is  
(a) 2 (b) 3  
(c) 4 (d) 5



- Q 18. If  $L=2.331\text{cm}$ ,  $B=2.1\text{cm}$ , then  $L+B=$   
(a) 4.431 cm (b) 4.43 cm  
(c) 4.4 cm (d) 4.2 cm
- Q 19. 81.4 g sample of ethyl alcohol contains 0.002 g of water. The amount of pure ethyl alcohol to the proper number of significant figures is  
(a) 81.398 g (b) 71.40 g  
(c) 81.4 g (d) 81 g
- Q 20. In the final answer of the expression  $\frac{(29.2-20.2)(1.79 \times 10^5)}{1.37}$ . The number of significant figures is  
(a) 1 (b) 2  
(c) 3 (d) 4

## Answer Key

Q.1 a	Q.2 c	Q.3 b	Q.4 c	Q.5 a
Q.6 b	Q.7 b	Q.8 b	Q.9 c	Q.10 d
Q.11 a	Q.12 b	Q.13 b	Q.14 d	Q.15 a
Q.16 b	Q.17 b	Q.18 c	Q.19 c	Q.20 b

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# **Written Solution**

**DPP-5 Errors and Significant figures**

**By Physicsaholics Team**

Solution: 1

$$T_i = 40.6 \pm 0.2 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

$$T_f = 78.3 \pm 0.3 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

Rise in temperature!

$$\Delta T = T_f - T_i$$

$$= 78.3 - 40.6 = 37.7 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\Delta T = 0.2 + 0.3 = 0.5 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\text{Temper change} = T \pm \Delta T$$

$$= 37.7 \pm 0.5 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

Ans. a

Solution: 2

$$l_A = 3.25 \pm 0.01 \text{ cm}$$

$$l_B = 4.19 \pm 0.01 \text{ cm}$$

$$d = l_B - l_A = 4.19 - 3.25 \\ = 0.94$$

$$\Delta d = \Delta l_A + \Delta l_B = 0.01 + 0.01 \\ = 0.02 \text{ cm}$$

$$d_f = d \pm \Delta d$$

$$d_f = 0.94 \pm 0.02 \text{ cm}$$

Ans. c

Solution: 3

$$g = \frac{GM}{R^2}$$

if  $G$  &  $M = \text{constant}$ .

then  $\frac{\Delta g}{g} = 2 \frac{\Delta R}{R}$

Ans. b



Solution: 4

diameter of circle =  $d$

radius of circle =  $r = \frac{d}{2}$

given

% error in diameter =  $\frac{\Delta d}{d} \times 100 = 4\%$

$$\therefore r = \frac{d}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{\Delta r}{r} = \frac{\Delta d}{d}$$

$\therefore$  % error in radius = 4%

Ans. c

Solution: 5

$$X = M^a L^b T^c$$

$$\% \text{ error in } M = \alpha = \frac{\Delta M}{M} \times 100$$

$$, , , L = \beta = \frac{\Delta L}{L} \times 100$$

$$, , , T = \gamma = \frac{\Delta T}{T} \times 100$$

$$\frac{\Delta X}{X} \times 100 = a \frac{\Delta M}{M} \times 100 + b \frac{\Delta L}{L} \times 100 + c \frac{\Delta T}{T} \times 100$$

$$\% \text{ error in } X = a\alpha + b\beta + c\gamma$$

Solution: 6

$$R = \frac{V}{I}$$

$$V = 100 \pm 5V, \quad I = 10 \pm 0.2 \text{ Amp.}$$

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = \frac{\Delta V}{V} + \frac{\Delta I}{I}$$

$$R = \frac{V}{I} = \frac{100}{10} = 10 \Omega$$

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = \frac{5}{100} + \frac{0.2}{10}$$

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = 0.07$$

$$\Delta R = 0.07 \times R = 0.07 \times 10$$

$$\Delta R = 0.7 \Omega$$

$$\Delta R = \pm 0.7 \Omega,$$

$$\% \text{ error} = \frac{\Delta R}{R} \times 100 = \frac{0.7}{10} \times 100$$

$$= 7\%$$

Ans. b

Solution: 7

$$H = I^2 R t$$

$$\frac{\Delta I}{I} \times 100 = 3\%, \quad \frac{\Delta R}{R} \times 100 = 4\%$$

$$\frac{\Delta t}{t} \times 100 = 6\%$$

$$\frac{\Delta H}{H} \times 100 = 2 \frac{\Delta I}{I} \times 100 + \frac{\Delta R}{R} \times 100 + \frac{\Delta t}{t} \times 100$$

$$\% \text{ error in } H = 2(3) + (4) + (6)$$

$$= 16\%$$

$$\% \text{ error in } H = \cancel{16\%} \quad 16\%$$

Ans. b

Solution: 8

$$\frac{\Delta r}{r} \times 100 = 2\% = \% \text{ error in } 'r'$$

$$\text{Volume} = V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V} \times 100 = 3 \frac{\Delta r}{r} \times 100$$

$$\% \text{ error in } V = 3(\times 1)$$

$$= 3\%$$

Ans. b

Solution: 9

$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$

$$v = \frac{13.8}{4}$$

$$d = 13.8 \pm 0.2 \text{ m}$$

$$t = 4.0 \pm 0.3 \text{ sec}$$

$$v = \frac{d}{t}$$

$$\frac{\Delta v}{v} \% = \left( \frac{\Delta d}{d} \times 100 \right) + \left( \frac{\Delta t}{t} \times 100 \right)$$
$$= \left( \frac{0.2}{13.8} \times 100 \right) + \left( \frac{0.3}{4} \times 100 \right)$$

$$= \frac{20}{13.8} + \frac{30}{4}$$

$$= 1.4 + 7.5$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\Delta v}{v} = 8.9 \%}$$

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Ans. c

$$A = \frac{a^2 b^3}{c \sqrt{d}}$$

$$\frac{\Delta A}{A} = 2 \frac{\Delta a}{a} + 3 \frac{\Delta b}{b} + \frac{\Delta c}{c} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta d}{d}$$

$$\frac{\Delta A}{A} \times 100 = 2 \frac{\Delta a}{a} \times 100 + 3 \frac{\Delta b}{b} \times 100 + \frac{\Delta c}{c} \times 100 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta d}{d} \times 100$$

$$\% \text{ error in } A = 2 \left( \frac{\Delta a}{a} \times 100 \right) + 3 \left( \frac{\Delta b}{b} \times 100 \right) + \frac{\Delta c}{c} \times 100 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta d}{d} \times 100$$

$$= 2(1\%) + 3(3\%) + (2\%) + \frac{1}{2}(2\%)$$

$$\% \text{ error in } A = \del{14\%} \quad 14\%$$

## Solution: 11

$$l = 10 \pm 0.1 \text{ cm}, \quad b = 1 \pm 0.01 \text{ cm},$$

$$w = 0.1 \pm 0.001 \text{ cm}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volume, } V &= l b w \\ &= (10 \times 1 \times 0.1) \text{ cm}^3 \\ &= 1 \text{ cm}^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V} = \frac{\Delta l}{l} + \frac{\Delta b}{b} + \frac{\Delta w}{w} = \frac{0.1}{10} + \frac{0.01}{1} + \frac{0.001}{0.1}$$

$$\Delta V = (0.01 + 0.01 + 0.01) \times V = 0.03 \times 1$$

$$\Delta V = 0.03 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\Delta V = \pm 0.03 \text{ cm}^3$$



## Solution: 12

$$T_1 = 2.63 \text{ Sec} \quad T_2 = 2.56 \text{ Sec} \quad T_3 = 2.42 \text{ Sec},$$

$$T_4 = 2.71 \text{ Sec}, \quad T_5 = 2.80 \text{ Sec}.$$

Mean Time period.

$$T_m = \frac{T_1 + T_2 + T_3 + T_4 + T_5}{5}$$

$$= \frac{2.63 + 2.56 + 2.42 + 2.71 + 2.80}{5}$$

$$T_m = 2.62 \text{ Sec}.$$

Absolute errors:

$$\Delta T_1 = T_m - T_1 = 2.62 - 2.63 = -0.01$$

$$\Delta T_2 = T_m - T_2 = 2.62 - 2.56 = 0.06$$

$$\Delta T_3 = T_m - T_3 = 2.62 - 2.42 = 0.20$$

$$\Delta T_4 = T_m - T_4 = 2.62 - 2.71 = -0.09$$

$$\Delta T_5 = T_m - T_5 = 2.62 - 2.80 = -0.18$$

Mean Absolute error =  $\overline{\Delta T}$

or  
Average

$$\overline{\Delta T} = \frac{|\Delta T_1| + |\Delta T_2| + |\Delta T_3| + |\Delta T_4| + |\Delta T_5|}{5}$$

$$= \frac{0.01 + 0.06 + 0.20 + 0.09 + 0.18}{5}$$

$$= \frac{0.54}{5}$$

$$\overline{\Delta T} = 0.108 \text{ sec}$$

$$\approx 0.11 \text{ sec}$$

Ans. b

## Solution: 13

$$\% \text{ error in } m = \frac{\Delta m}{m} \times 100 = 2\%$$

$$\% \text{ error in } v = \frac{\Delta v}{v} \times 100 = 3\%$$

$$KE = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

$$\frac{\Delta KE}{KE} \times 100 = \% \text{ error in } KE$$

$$\frac{\Delta KE}{KE} \times 100 = \left( \frac{\Delta m}{m} \times 100 \right) + 2 \left( \frac{\Delta v}{v} \times 100 \right)$$

$$= 2\% + 2(3\%)$$

$$= 8\%$$

Solution: 14

$$m = 0.3 \pm 0.003 \text{ gm.}$$

$$r = 0.5 \pm 0.005 \text{ mm.}$$

$$l = 6 \pm 0.06 \text{ cm.}$$

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{m}{\pi r^2 l}$$

~~or~~

% error in density  $\Rightarrow$  % ~~of~~  $\rho$

$$\% \rho \quad \text{mass} = \% m$$

so, or.

$$\text{so, } \% \rho = \% m + 2 \% r + \% l$$

$$\% \rho = \left( \frac{0.003}{0.3} \times 100 \right) + 2 \times \left( \frac{0.005}{0.5} \right) \times 100$$

$$+ \frac{0.06}{6} \times 100$$

$$\% \rho = 1 + 2(1) + (1)$$

$$\% \rho = \underline{\underline{4 \%}}$$

Ans. d

Solution: 15

equivalent Resistance in parallel connection :-

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$$

$$R = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2} = \frac{50 \times 100}{50 + 100} = \frac{5000}{150}$$

$$R = \frac{100}{3} \Omega$$

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R^2} = \frac{\Delta R_1}{R_1^2} + \frac{\Delta R_2}{R_2^2}$$

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R^2} = \left( \frac{2}{(50)^2} \right) + \left( \frac{3}{(100)^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R \times R} = \left( \frac{2}{2500} \right) + \left( \frac{3}{10000} \right)$$

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = \left( \frac{2}{2500} + \frac{3}{10000} \right) R = \left( \frac{2}{2500} + \frac{3}{10000} \right) \times \frac{100}{3} =$$

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = \frac{2}{75} + \frac{1}{100} = 0.0266 + 0.01$$

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = 0.0366 \quad \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$$

Ans. a

## Solution: 16

number	no. of significant figures.	
161 cm	3	(all three digits are significant)
0.161 cm	3	(Leading zeros are not significant.) (so; digit 161 are significant.)
0.0161 cm	3	(Leading zeros are not significant.) (so; digit 161 are significant.)

## Solution: 17

in  $0.00210$  ; 3 Digits are significant.  
(210)

Because leading zeros are not significant. but  
trailing zeros are significant.

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## Solution: 18

$$L + B = \begin{array}{r} 2.331 \\ 2.1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

B has only one digit after decimal (minimum)  
so; final answer will also have only one  
digit after decimal.

$$L + B = \begin{array}{r} 2.3 \\ + 2.1 \\ \hline 4.4 \end{array}$$

$$L + B = 4.4 \text{ cm}$$

## Solution: 19

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Pure Ethyl} &= \text{sample} - \text{water} \\ &= 81.4 - 0.002\end{aligned}$$

as; 81.4 has only one digit after decimal and 0.002 has three digits after decimal. Answer will have one digit after decimal:

$$\text{so; Pure Ethyl} = 81.4 \text{ gm} - 0.0 \text{ gm}$$

$$\text{so; } \boxed{\text{Pure Ethyle} = 81.4 \text{ gm}} \quad \underline{\underline{\text{Ans}}}$$



Solution: 20

Let's

$$K = \frac{(29.2 - 20.2) (1.79 \times 10^5)}{1.37}$$

so;  $29.2 - 20.2 = 09.0 = 9.0$

s.f. = 2                      s.f. = 3

$$K = \frac{(9.0) \times (1.79 \times 10^5)}{1.37}$$

s.f. = 3

so; In final answer; no. of s.f. will be minimum.

so; s.f. in final answer = 2     Ans

Ans. b

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