# **1.1 MEASUREMENT IN PHYSICS**

## HW/Study Packet

### SL/HL

Required:	Supplemental:					
READ Hamper, pp 2-6, pp 14-15	READ Cutnell and Johnson, pp 1-6					
Tsokos, pp 1-5, pp 11-12	DO Tsokos questions:					
Mars Climate Orbiter Reading	pp 6-7: #5, 8, 9, 18, 19, 20, 21, 25, 31					
Cleaning the Kilogram	pp 19-20: #5, 8, 10					
The Higgs Boson						

## REMEMBER TO ....

- ✓ Work through all of the 'example problems' in the texts as you are reading them
- Refer to the IB Physics Guide for details on what you need to know about this topic
- Refer to the Study Guides for suggested exercises to do each night
- ✓ First try to do these problems using only what is provided to you from the **IB Data Booklet**
- Refer to the solutions/key ONLY after you have attempted the problems to the best of your ability

## **UNIT OUTLINE**

#### I. MAGNITUDES AND QUANTITIES IN THE UNIVERSE

- A. ORDERS OF MAGNITUDE, POWERS OF 10, AND PREFIXES
- B. RANGES OF MAGNITUDES
- C. RATIOS AND ESTIMATING
- D. SIGNIFICANT FIGURES

#### **II. UNITS OF MEASURE AND THE SI SYSTEM**

- A. FUNDAMENTAL AND DERIVED UNITS
- **B. DIMENSIONAL ANALYSIS**

## FROM THE IB DATA BOOKLET

Prefix	Abbreviation	Value		1	
peta	р	1015	deci	d	10-1
tera	т	1012	centi	c	10-2
			milli	m	10-3
giga	G	109	micro	μ	10-6
mega	М	106			
kilo	k	10 <sup>3</sup>	nano	n	10-9
hecto	h	10 <sup>2</sup>	pico	р	10-12
deca	da	101	femto	f	10-15

## WHAT YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO AT THE END OF THIS TOPIC

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- □ Estimate the various orders of magnitude and perform mental order-of-magnitude calculations
- □ Understand the need for and be able to apply simplifying assumptions in various situations
- Recognize the difference between fundamental and derived units
- Recognize the difference between units and quantities
- □ Be able to express answers with the proper number of significant figures
- Be able to use dimensional analysis to verify an equation
- State values in scientific notation and in SI format
- □ Convert between units of different quantities

## **HOMEWORK PROBLEMS:**

1.	Express the following a) 0.00342		c notation, to two c) 0.145	o significant figures: d) 153.2	e) 674
2.		calculator, find the va b) 1 × 10 <sup>2</sup> × 1 ×10		3 × 10 <sup>6</sup> × 2 × 10 <sup>3</sup>	d) 10 <sup>-3</sup> × 10 <sup>-6</sup>
	e) $\frac{10^6}{10^3}$	f) $\frac{1}{1 \times 10^3}$		g) $\frac{15 \times 10^6}{5 \times 10^{-3}}$	
3.	Express the following a) 6.34 cm	g quantities in the app b) 12 mn	•	nit in scientific notatio c) 832 km	٦.

- d) 546 nm e) 53.4 g f) 500 tonnes
- g) 123 mg h) 2.3  $\mu$ g i) 30 minutes
- j) 23 ms k) 24 hours
- 4. Express the following volumes in m<sup>3</sup> and scientific notation in two sig figs.
  a) 7.8 cm<sup>3</sup>
  b) 34 mm<sup>3</sup>
  c) 9.8 km<sup>3</sup>
  d) 47 litres
- 5. Express the following areas in  $m^2$ a) 1.6 cm<sup>2</sup> b) 5.3 mm<sup>2</sup> c) 0.0017 cm<sup>2</sup>
- 6. Write down the following quantities as numbers in scientific notation together with the appropriate unit without any prefix:

8. Using *1 mile* = *1.609 km*, find the number of miles in 1 km. [0.6215 mi]

9. Use the above to convert 30.0 miles/hour to km/hour. [48.3 km hr<sup>-1</sup>]

**10.** The mileage rating of my car is 8.0 kmL<sup>-1</sup>. (L = liters) How many miles per gallon is this? [19 mi gal<sup>-1</sup>]

**11.** How many baseballs can be carried in 5 carts?
 Given: 1 cart = 12 sacks
 [500 baseballs]

 3 sacks = 1 basket
 1 basket = 25 baseballs

**12.** A spacecraft travels at a speed of 8/10 of a mile per second. How many days does it take it to travel from the Earth to the Moon, a distance of 240,000 miles? [3.5 days]

13. What is the weight of 6.5 gallons of water? How many cubic feet of water is this?
 Given: 1 gallon of water weighs 8.34 pounds, 1 cubic foot of water weighs 62.4 pounds
 [54.2 lbs, 0.869 ft<sup>3</sup>]

**14.** Perform the operation as indicated and state the answer with the correct number of significant figures. Don't forget the proper units!

- a) 16.2 m + 5.008 m + 13.48 m
- b) 78.05 cm<sup>2</sup> 32.046 cm<sup>2</sup>
- c) 15.07 kg 12.0 kg
- d) 5.006 m + 12.0077 m + 8.0084 m
- e) 27.807 mm × 4.2 mm
- f) 20.008 m 7.0 s
- g) 245 cm × 5.8 cm
- h) (5.6 × 10<sup>3</sup> m) (2.8 × 10<sup>12</sup> m)
- i) 3.28 cm 12.47826 cm
- **15.** Rearrange the following formulae to make the letter in brackets the subject (solve for the letter in brackets).

$$v = u + at$$
 (u)  $F = ma(a)$   $P = \frac{F}{A}(A)$   $v^2 = u^2 + 2as(a)$ 

$$E = mc^2$$
 (c)  $P = \frac{V^2}{R}$  (V)  $F = mv^2r$  (v)  $E = \frac{4Mgl}{\pi ed^2}$  (d)

$$C = \frac{2F}{\rho v^2 A}$$
 (v)  $F = k \rho v^2 r^2$  (r)  $T = \sqrt{\frac{p}{d}}$  (d)  $F = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi \varepsilon_0 r^2}$  (r)

**16.** As a sphere of radius r moves with a constant velocity v through a liquid of density  $\rho$ , the force F on it is given by the equation:

$$F = k\rho r^2 v^2$$
 Show that k is a dimensionless constant

**17.** The drag coefficient of a car  $C_D$  moving with a speed v through air of density  $\rho$  is given by

$$C_D = \frac{F}{\frac{1}{2}\rho v^2 A}$$

where F is the force, and A is the maximum cross-sectional area of the car perpendicular to the direction of travel. Show that  $C_D$  is dimensionless.

**18.** Check to see if the following equations are dimensionally correct:

a)  $F = mv^2 r$ , where F = Force, m = mass, v = velocity and r = radius.

b)  $E = mv^2$ , where E = energy, m = mass and v = velocity.

c) 
$$c = \sqrt{\frac{p}{d}}$$
, where  $c$  = velocity,  $p$  = pressure and  $d$  = density