

UNITS AND MEASUREMENT

Class 11 - Physics

Section A

1. The error in the measurement of the sides of a rectangle is 1%. The error in the measurement of its area is [1]
a) None of these
b) $\frac{1}{2}\%$
c) 2%
d) 1%
2. light year is a unit of _____. [1]
a) Distance
b) Time
c) Luminosity
d) Mass
3. Which of the following is not a fundamental unit? [1]
a) centigrade
b) kg
c) cm
d) volt
4. $[L^1M^1T^{-1}]$ is the dimensional formula for [1]
a) Velocity
b) Work
c) Force
d) Acceleration
5. Dimensions of kinetic energy are the same as that of _____. [1]
a) Acceleration
b) Work
c) Force
d) Pressure
6. Define absolute error. [1]
7. If the measured values of the two quantities are $A \pm \Delta A$ and $B \pm \Delta B$, ΔA and ΔB being the mean absolute errors. What is the maximum possible error in $A \pm B$? [1]
8. Define mean percentage error. [1]

Section B

9. If the formula for a physical quantity is $X = \frac{a^4 b^3}{c^{1/3} d^{1/2}}$ and if the percentage error in the measurements of a, b, c and d are 2%, 3%, 3% and 4% respectively. Calculate percentage error in X . [2]
10. Nuclear radius R has a dependence on the mass number (A) as $R = 1.3 \times 10^{-16} A^{1/3} \text{ m}$. For a nucleus of mass number $A = 125$, obtain the order of magnitude of R expressed in the meter. [2]
11. Find the percentage error in kinetic energy of a body having mass $60.0 \pm 0.3 \text{ g}$ moving with a velocity of $25.0 \pm 0.1 \text{ cm/s}$. [2]
12. Write down the number of significant figures in the following: 0.003 m^2 , 0.1250 g cm^{-2} , $6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$, $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$, $9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$. [2]

13. Define Mean absolute error. [2]
14. Star A is farther than star B. Which star will have a large parallax angle? [2]

Section C

15. In Ohm's experiments, the values of the unknown resistances were found to be 6.12Ω , 6.09Ω , 6.22Ω , 6.15Ω . Calculate the (mean) absolute error, relative error, and percentage error in these measurements. [3]
16. When the planet Jupiter is at a distance of 824.7 million kilometers from the Earth, its angular diameter is measured to be $35.72''$ of arc. Calculate the diameter of Jupiter. [3]
17. A large ball 2 m in radius is made up of a rope of square cross-section with edge length 4 mm. Neglecting the air gaps in the ball, what is the total length of the rope to the nearest order of magnitude? [3]
18. The masses of two bodies are measured to be $15.7 \pm 0.2 \text{ kg}$ and $27.3 \pm 0.3 \text{ kg}$. What is the total mass of the two and the error in it? [3]
19. $v = at + \frac{b}{t+c} + v_0$ is a dimensionally valid equation. Obtain the dimensional formula for a , b and c where v is velocity, t is time and v_0 is initial velocity. [3]
20. The diameter of a sphere is 2.14 cm. Calculate the volume of the sphere to the correct number of significant figures [3]
21. The distance travelled by an object in time $(100 \pm 1) \text{ s}$ is $(5.2 \pm 0.1) \text{ m}$. What are the speed and its maximum relative error? [3]
22. Derive the formula of the kinetic energy of a particle having mass 'm' and velocity 'v', using dimensional analysis. [3]
23. What are the dimensions of the quantity $l\sqrt{l/g}$, l being the length, and g acceleration due to gravity? [3]

Section D

24. In a workshop, a worker measures the length of a steel plate with Vernier calipers having a least count 0.01 cm. Four such measurements of the length yielded the following values: 3.11 cm, 3.13 cm, 3.14 cm, 3.14 cm. Find the mean length, the mean absolute error, and the percentage error in the measured value of the length. [4]
25. If the length of a cylinder is $l = (4.00 \pm 0.001) \text{ cm}$, radius $r = (0.0250 \pm 0.001) \text{ cm}$ and mass $m = (6.25 \pm 0.01) \text{ g}$. Calculate the percentage error in the determination of density. [4]
26. An object is falling freely under the gravitational force. Its velocity after travelling a distance h is v . If v depends upon gravitational acceleration g and distance, prove with the dimensional analysis that $v = \sqrt{gh}$ where k is a constant. [4]
27. An electron with charge e enters a uniform magnetic field \vec{B} with a velocity \vec{v} . The velocity is perpendicular to the magnetic field. The force on the charge is given by $|\vec{F}| = B e v$. Obtain the dimensions of \vec{B} . [4]
28. The length, breadth and thickness of a rectangular sheet of metal are 4.234 m, 1.005 m and 2.01 cm respectively. Give the area and volume of the sheet to correct significant figures. [4]
29. Describe what is meant by significant figures and order of magnitude. [4]
30. Show that if $Z = \frac{A}{B}$, $\frac{\Delta Z}{Z} = \frac{\Delta A}{A} + \frac{\Delta B}{B}$ [4]