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3. Calculate the mass.

- 2.5g
- a.  $D = 0.82 \text{ g/cm}^3$  ,  $V = 3.00 \text{ cm}^3$  2.46 g
- $3.8 \times 10^4 \text{ kg}$
- b.  $D = 750 \text{ kg/m}^3$  ,  $V = 50. \text{m}^3$  37500 kg
- $1.4 \times 10^4 \text{ kg}$
- c.  $D = 1.3 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$  ,  $l = 3.0 \text{ m}$ ,  $w = 5.7 \text{ m}$ ,  $h = 65 \text{ cm}$  (Calculate the volume)  
 $V = 11.115 \text{ m}^3$   $m = 14449.5$

Since  $D = m / V$ , solving for  $m$  gives us  $m = D \cdot V$

4. Calculate the volume.

- 2.0 m<sup>3</sup>
- a.  $D = 7.2 \times 10^2 \text{ kg/m}^3$   $m = 1440 \text{ kg}$   $1440 \text{ kg} / 7.2 \times 10^2 \text{ kg/m}^3$
- 1.96 cm<sup>3</sup>
- b.  $D = 2.57 \text{ g/cm}^3$   $m = 5.03 \text{ g}$   $5.03 \text{ g} / 2.57 \text{ g/cm}^3 = 1.9572 \dots$

Again, begin with  $D = m / V$  and solve for  $V$ .

$V = m / D$

- $m = DV$   
 $= 334880 \text{ kg}$   
 $= 3.3 \times 10^5 \text{ kg}$
5. What is the mass of the water that fills a tank 7.0 m long, 5.2 m wide, and 9.2 m high?  
 $V = 7 \text{ m} (5.2 \text{ m}) (9.2 \text{ m}) = 334.88 \text{ m}^3$   $D = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$
- Calculate the Volume of the tank. You know the Density of water. Now, solve for mass:  $m = D \cdot V$  Watch which  $D$  you use! (based on the unit of measure for  $V$ )

- $m = DV$   
 $= 3.4 \times 10^4 \text{ g}$
6. What is the mass of the water that fills a tank 75 cm long, 19 cm wide, and 24 cm high?  
 $V = (75 \text{ cm})(19 \text{ cm})(24 \text{ cm}) = 34200 \text{ cm}^3$
- Similar to problem 5.  $D = 1 \text{ g/cm}^3$

- $2.5 \text{ g/cm}^3$
7. What is the density of a cube of metal that has a mass of 5.24 g and increases the water level in a graduated cylinder from 10.0 ml to 12.1 ml?  $V = 12.1 \text{ mL} - 10.0 \text{ mL} = 2.1 \text{ mL}$

What is the relationship between mL and cm<sup>3</sup>? Calculate the Volume from the data given in the problem. You know the mass of the substance. Now calculate the Density:  $D = m / V$

$D = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{5.24 \text{ g}}{2.1 \text{ cm}^3} = 2.49523 \dots \text{ g/cm}^3$

8. What is the weight of an object with a mass of \_\_\_\_\_ when placed on the surface of the earth?

- a. 100 kg      b. 75.2 g      c. 65.9 mg

$$W = m(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)$$

$$= 100 \text{ kg} (9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) = \boxed{981 \text{ N}}$$

Weight = (mass, in kilograms)(acceleration due to gravity)  
 $w = m \cdot g$ , where  $g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$  for the surface of our planet.

c)  $w = (6.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ kg})(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) = \boxed{6.46 \times 10^{-4} \text{ N}}$

b)  $w = (0.0752 \text{ kg})(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) = \boxed{\approx 0.738 \text{ N}}$

9. What is the mass of an object on the surface of the earth that weighs \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. 975 N      b. 38 N      c. 0.49 N

Use  $w = m \cdot g$  and solve for  $m$ .  
 mass = (weight) / (9.81 m/s)

a)  $\frac{975 \text{ N}}{9.81 \text{ m/s}^2} = \boxed{\approx 99.4 \text{ kg}}$

b)  $\frac{38 \text{ N}}{9.81 \text{ m/s}^2} = \boxed{\approx 3.9 \text{ kg}}$

c)  $\frac{0.49 \text{ N}}{9.81 \text{ m/s}^2} = \boxed{\approx 0.05 \text{ kg}}$

**Use what you practiced in problems 1 to 9 to answer questions 10 to 12.**

10. An atom fills a cube with an edge of  $3.5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}$ .

a. What is the volume of the atom?  $V = (3.5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m})^3 = \boxed{4.2875 \times 10^{-35} \text{ m}^3}$

b. If the atom has a mass of  $9.7 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ , what is the density of the atom?

$$D = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{9.7 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}}{4.288 \times 10^{-35} \text{ m}^3} = 2.262 \times 10^8 \text{ kg/m}^3 \approx \boxed{2.3 \times 10^8 \text{ kg/m}^3}$$

11. What is the density of water in  $\text{g/cm}^3$ ? In  $\text{kg/m}^3$ ?

$$\frac{1 \text{ g}}{\text{cm}^3} ; \frac{1000 \text{ kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

12. a. What is the volume of 50 g of water?

$$V = \frac{m}{D} = \frac{50 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ g/cm}^3} = \boxed{50 \text{ cm}^3}$$

b. What is the volume of 50 kg of water?

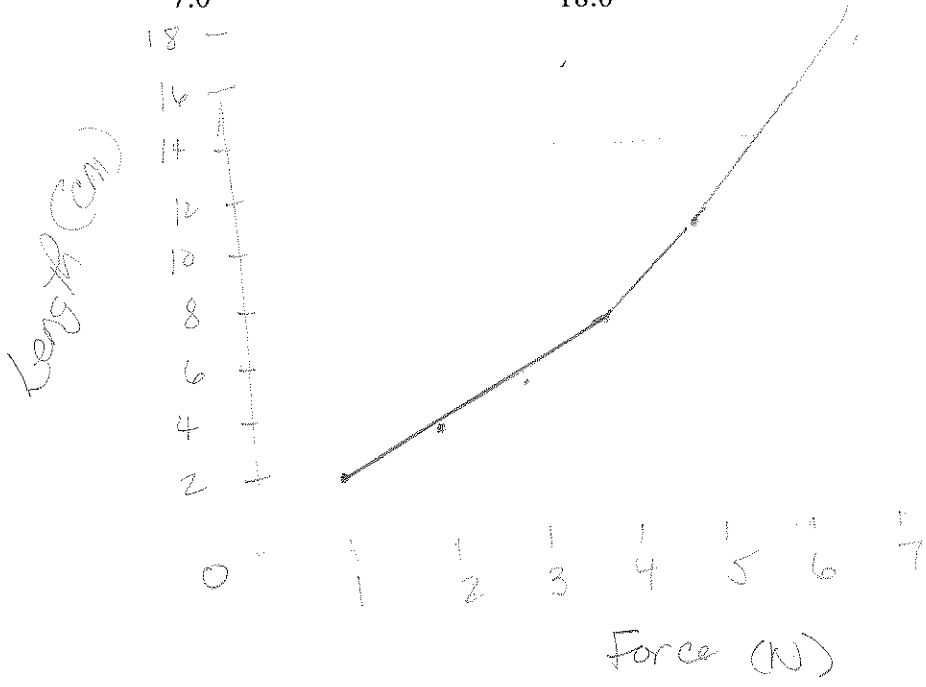
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13. Graph the following data. Determine the elastic constant (slope of the graph).

Where has the elastic limit been exceeded? (How do we know the elastic limit has been exceeded?) *after 4.0 N; Slope changes*

Force (N)	Elongation (cm)
1.0	2.0
2.0	4.0
3.0	6.0
4.0	8.0
5.0	11.0
6.0	14.0
7.0	18.0

$m = 2 \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{N}}$



# Answers

## Physics C. 3 Practice Problems

1. A substance has a specific gravity of 1.35. What is its density in

a.  $\text{g/cm}^3$

$$1.35 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

b.  $\text{kg/m}^3$

$$1350 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

2. What is the specific gravity if the density of a certain rock is

a.  $900 \text{ kg/m}^3$

$$900 \text{ kg/m}^3 \div 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3 = 0.9$$

b.  $1.7 \text{ g/cm}^3$

$$1.7 \text{ g/cm}^3 \div 1 \text{ g/cm}^3 = 1.7$$

3. Determine the weight of an object with a mass of

a. 3.50 kg

$$(3.50 \text{ kg})(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) = 34.3 \text{ N}$$

b. 575 g

$$= 0.575 \text{ kg} \quad (0.575 \text{ kg})(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) = 5.64 \text{ N}$$

c. 0.750 kg

$$(0.750 \text{ kg})(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) = 7.36 \text{ N}$$

d. 0.820 g

$$= 0.000820 \text{ kg} \quad (8.20 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg})(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) \\ = 8.20 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg} \quad = 8.04 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N}$$

4. Determine the mass of an object with a weight of  $\div 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$

a. 245 N

$$245 \text{ N} \div 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2 = 25.0 \text{ kg}$$

b. 9.35 N

$$9.35 \text{ N} \div 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2 = 0.953 \text{ kg}$$

c. 0.500 N

$$0.500 \text{ N} \div 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2 = 5.10 \times 10^{-2} \text{ kg} \\ = 0.050968 \dots \text{ kg}$$

5. A spring has a proportionality constant of 2.50 N/cm. If the spring stretches 7.00 cm, what weight is attached?

$$\frac{2.50 \text{ N}}{1 \text{ cm}} = \frac{x}{7.00 \text{ cm}} \quad x = 2.5(7) = 17.5 \text{ N}$$

6. A spring has a proportionality constant of 5.0 N/cm. If a 12.5 N weight is attached to the spring, what is the elongation?

$$\frac{5.0 \text{ N}}{1 \text{ cm}} = \frac{12.5 \text{ N}}{x} \quad 5x = 12.5 \quad x = 2.5 \text{ cm}$$

7. What is the mass in kilograms of the water filling a tank 75.5 cm long, 0.500 m wide and 3.00 m high?

1130 kg

$$V = (0.755 \text{ m})(0.500 \text{ m})(3.00 \text{ m}) = 1.1325 \text{ m}^3$$

$$D = 1000 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \quad m = DV = 1132.5 \text{ kg}$$

8. What is the mass in kilograms of the water filling a tank 1.50 m long, 75.0 cm wide and 2.00 m high?

2250 kg

$$V = (0.75 \text{ m})(1.50 \text{ m})(2 \text{ m}) = 2.25 \text{ m}^3 \quad m = DV = 2250 \text{ kg}$$

9. The density of a metal is 3.00 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. What is the mass of a slab of the metal 10.0 cm long, 0.500 m wide and 15.5 cm high?

2.32 x 10<sup>4</sup> g

$$D = 3.00 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3} \quad m = DV = 3(7750) = 23250 \text{ g}$$

$$V = 10 \text{ cm}(50 \text{ cm})(15.5 \text{ cm}) = 7750 \text{ cm}^3$$

10. The density of a substance is 750. kg/m<sup>3</sup>. What is the mass of a block of the substance 2.25 m long, 1.75 m wide and 85.0 cm high?

2510 kg

$$D = 750. \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \quad m = DV = (750.)(3.346875) = 2510 \text{ kg}$$

$$V = (2.25 \text{ m})(1.75 \text{ m})(0.85 \text{ m}) = 3.346875 \text{ m}^3$$

11. The specific gravity of a substance is 0.45. What is the volume of one kilogram of the substance?

2.2 x 10<sup>-3</sup> m<sup>3</sup>

$$D = 0.45(1000 \text{ kg/m}^3) = 450 \text{ kg/m}^3 \quad V = \frac{m}{D} = \frac{1.0 \text{ kg}}{450 \text{ kg/m}^3} = 2.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$$

12. The specific gravity of a substance is 1.72. What is the volume of one kilogram of the substance?

5.81 x 10<sup>-4</sup> m<sup>3</sup>

$$D = 1.72(1000 \text{ kg/m}^3) = 1720 \text{ kg/m}^3 \quad V = \frac{m}{D} = \frac{1.0 \text{ kg}}{1720 \text{ kg/m}^3} = 5.81 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^3$$