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# DENSITY OF WATER



## INTRODUCTION:

The density of a substance is defined as the mass divided by the volume:  $d=m / v$ . Density is a physical property of a substance that does not depend on the amount of material present and is therefore called an **intensive property**. In this experiment, you will find the density of water for three different volumes.

## MATERIALS:

50 - mL graduated cylinder  
Balance  
Dropper  
Distilled water

## PROCEDURE:

1. Find the mass of an empty, dry 50 - mL graduated cylinder to the nearest 0.01 g and record the mass on the **data table**.
2. Add exactly **10.0 mL** of water to the cylinder. **Remember**, the **bottom** of the meniscus should just be touching the 10.0 mL line. [Hint: **Add water up to about the 9 mL mark and use a dropper to reach the 10.0 mL mark.**]
3. Find the mass of the cylinder and 10 mL of water to the nearest 0.01 mL. Record the mass on the **data table**.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 with **30.0 mL** of water.
5. Repeat steps 2 and 3 with **50.0 mL** of water.

## DATA TABLE:

Mass of empty graduated cylinder. \_\_\_\_\_ g  
Mass of graduated cylinder and 10.0 mL of water. \_\_\_\_\_ g  
Mass of graduated cylinder and 30.0 mL of water. \_\_\_\_\_ g  
Mass of graduated cylinder and 50.0 mL of water. \_\_\_\_\_ g

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### CALCULATIONS:

6. Find the mass of the 10.0 mL sample of water. This is the **mass of the cylinder and 10.0 mL sample - the mass of the cylinder.**

Mass of the 10.0 mL sample = \_\_\_\_\_ g

7. Calculate the density of the 10.0 mL sample. Remember: density = mass / volume. The unit for density will be  $\text{g} / \text{mL}$ .

Density for 10.0 mL sample = \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{g} / \text{mL}$

8. Now repeat steps 6 and 7 for the 30.0 mL and 50.0 mL samples.

Mass of the 30.0 mL sample = \_\_\_\_\_ g

Density for 30.0 mL sample = \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{g} / \text{mL}$

Mass of the 50.0 mL sample = \_\_\_\_\_ g

Density for 50.0 mL sample = \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{g} / \text{mL}$

The density of water is  $1.0 \text{ g} / \text{mL}$ .

Write a paragraph and tell how your three answers compare to the accepted value?

DATA TABLE:

Mass of empty graduated cylinder	_____ g
Mass of graduated cylinder and 10.0 mL of water	_____ g
Mass of graduated cylinder and 30.0 mL of water	_____ g
Mass of graduated cylinder and 50.0 mL of water	_____ g