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Calculations

Overcoming your fear of numbers

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Calculations performed in laboratory use

- Converting metric units
- Time
- Fractions, decimals and percentages
- Converting rpm to g
- Dilutions
- Statistics

Converting Metric units





- The metric system is called a decimal based system because it is based on multiples of 10
- Any measurement given in one metric unit can be converted into another metric unit simply by moving the decimal place

Basic Units

Length

metre
(m)

Mass

gram
(g)


Volume

litre
(l)

Amount of
substance

mole
(mol)





King Henry Doesn't
usually
Drink Chocolate Milkshake

To convert metric units, multiply or divide by powers of 10

Move the decimal place to the right (multiply) or the left (divide)

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Basic Unit

- metre
- gram
- litre
- bytes

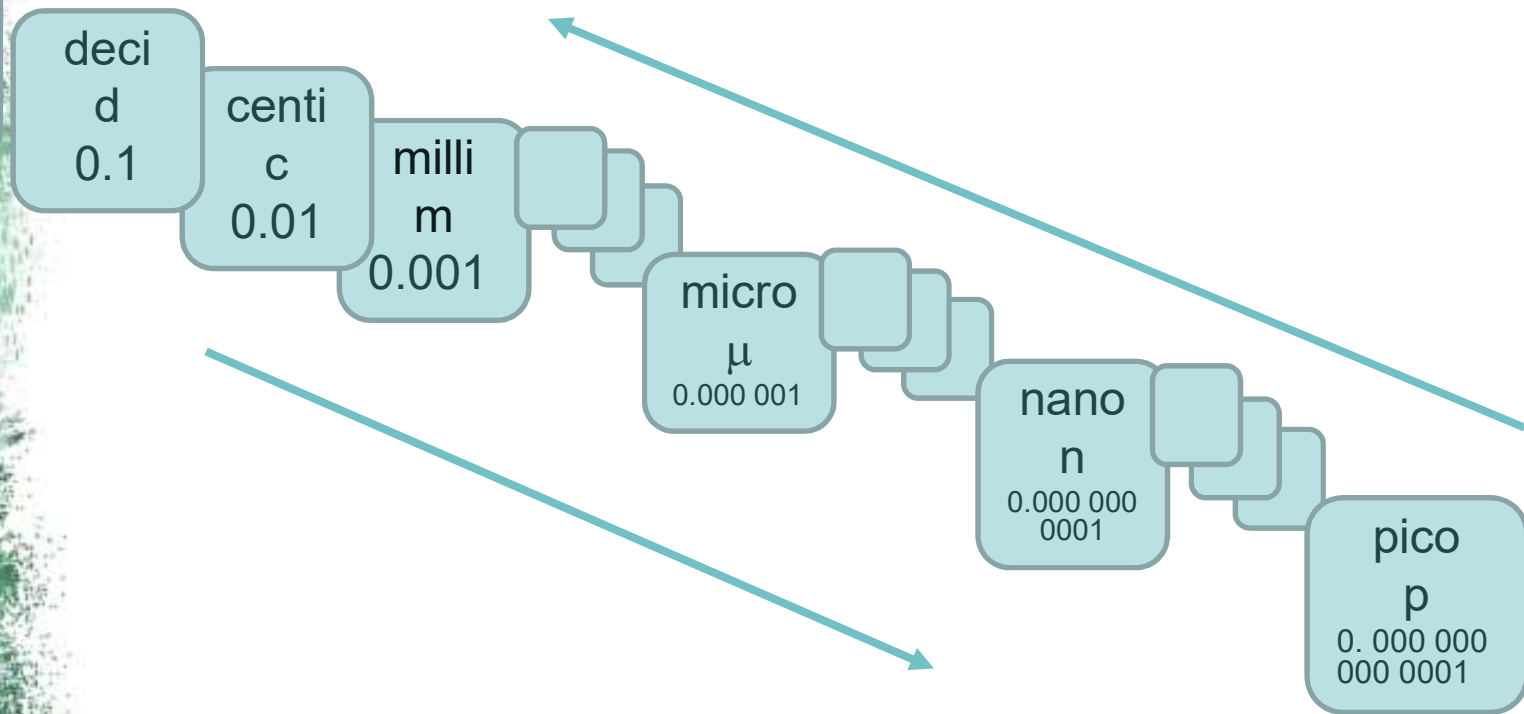


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Basic Units

- metre
- gram
- litre
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Convert 2ml into μ l

Basic Units

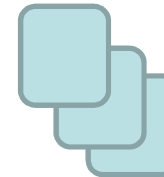
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Convert 2ml into μ l

Basic Units

- metre
- gram
- litre
- bytes

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Move the decimal place to the right (multiply)



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2000 μ l



Convert 10.0mg into g

Basic Unit

- metre
- gram
- litre
- bytes

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Convert 10.0mg into g

Basic Unit

- metre
- gram
- litre
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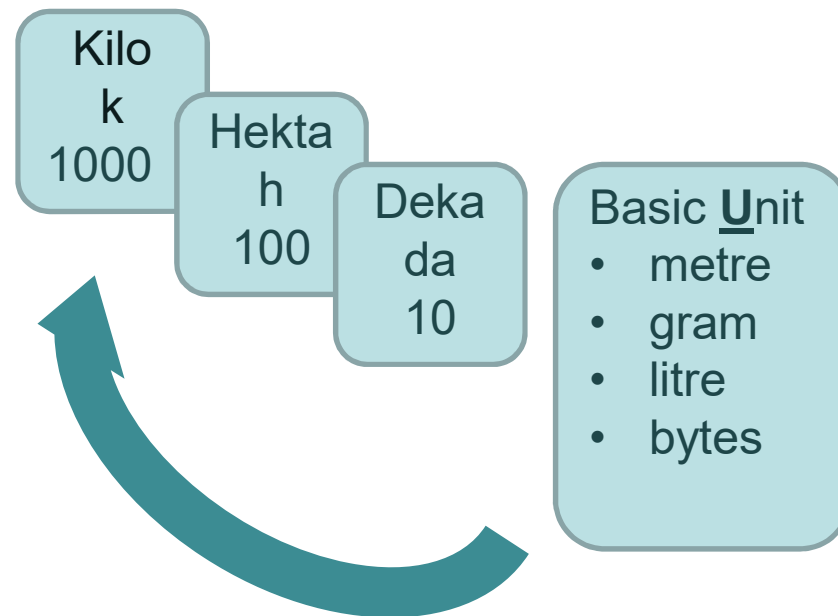
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0.01g

Move the decimal place to the left (divide)



Convert 85g into kg



Convert 85g into kg

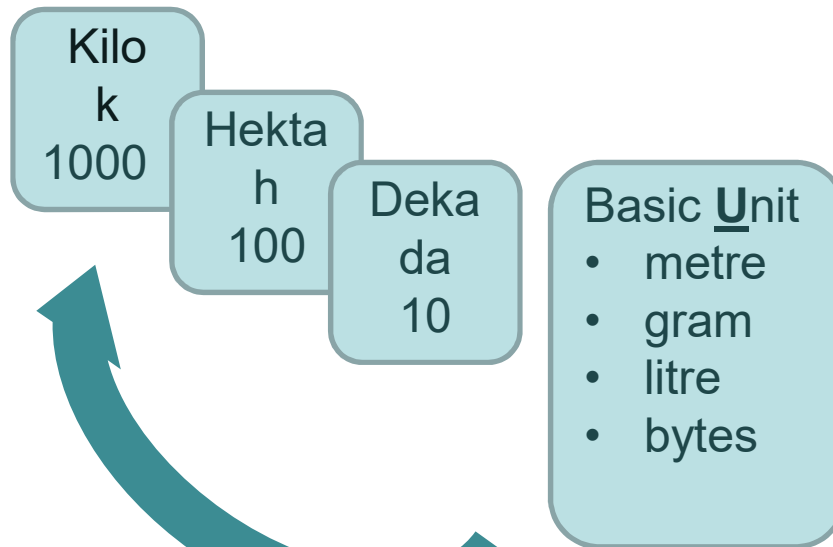
85,0g

8,50

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0,085

0,085kg



Move the decimal place to the left (divide)

A photograph of a green chalkboard. Two pieces of pink chalk are lying on the surface in the lower-left quadrant. The chalkboard has some faint, white chalk markings, including a large, light-colored letter 'A' in the center and some other indistinct shapes. The background is a soft, out-of-focus gradient of light green and white.

Time



12 hour clock vs 24 hour clock

There are 2 main ways to show the time:

- 24 hr clock
- 12 hr clock or AM/PM

24 hr clock – shows how many hours and minutes since midnight

AM/PM or 12 hr clock is split into

- The hrs running from Midnight to Noon (AM)
- The other hrs running from Noon to Midnight (PM)
- 60 seconds in 1 minute
- 60 minutes in 1 hour



Convert the following:

- $11:30\text{pm} = 23:30$
- $19:50 = 7:50\text{pm}$
- $1:45\text{am} = 01:45$
- $240\text{sec} = 4 \text{ min}$
- $195\text{min} = 3 \text{ hours and } 15 \text{ min}$

Fractions, decimals and percentages



Fractions

$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{1 \text{ Numerator}}{4 \text{ Denominator}}$$



Numerator = is the number of parts (top number)

Denominator = the number of parts the whole is divided into (bottom number)





Converting Fractions to Decimals

Using a calculator:

Divide the Numerator by the Denominator

- Convert $\frac{1}{4}$ $1 \div 4 = 0.25$
- Convert $\frac{1}{2}$ $1 \div 2 = 0.5$
- Convert $\frac{3}{4}$ $3 \div 4 = 0.75$

Converting Fractions to Decimals

Converting without a calculator:

Find a number that you can multiply the denominator to make it 10 or 100 or 1000, then multiply both numerator and denominator by that number.

- $\frac{3}{5} \stackrel{\times 20}{=} \frac{60}{100}$ so $60 \div 100 = 0.60$

- $\frac{3}{8} \stackrel{\times 125}{=} \frac{375}{1000}$ so $375 \div 1000 = 0.375$

- $\frac{1}{3} \stackrel{\times 333}{=} \frac{333}{999}$ so $333 \div 1000 = 0.333333333$

exception



Converting Decimals to Percentages

- Multiply the decimal by 100, then add on the % symbol

Convert 0.36

$$0.36 \times 100 = 36\%$$

Convert 1.65

$$1.65 \times 100 = 165\%$$

Convert 0.08

$$0.08 \times 100 = 8\%$$

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Converting rpm to g



Converting rpm and g

G force or RCF (Relative Centrifugal Force) is the amount of acceleration applied to a sample

This depends on

- rpm (Revolutions Per Minute)
- Radius of the rotor (r), measured in cm's

Formula to convert rpm into g:

$$\text{g force (RCF)} = 11.18 \times \left(\frac{\text{rpm}}{1000}\right)^2 \times r$$

Converting rpm and g

Convert 3000rpm to g.

The radius of the centrifuge is 160mm.

Convert 160mm into cm = 16cm.

Using formula:

$$\text{g force (RCF)} = 11.18 \times \left(\frac{\text{rpm}}{1000}\right)^2 \times r$$

$$\text{g force (RCF)} = 11.18 \times \left(\frac{3000}{1000}\right)^2 \times 16\text{cm} = 1610\text{g}$$



Dilutions

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Simple Dilutions

- A simple dilution is one in which a ***unit volume*** of liquid material is combined with a ***solvent*** liquid to achieve a desired concentration
- The ***dilution factor*** is the total number of unit volumes in which your material will be dissolved

1:5 dilution = 1 unit volume of ***solute*** + 4 unit volume of ***solvent***

(hence $1+4 = 5$)



Dilution Factor Definitions (where applicable)

Due to inconsistencies in nomenclature associated with dilution expression the following will be used for calculations in the examination:

½ and 1 in 2: implies 1 part added to 1 part making a total of 2 parts,
ie. A dilution factor of x2.

1 to 2: implies 1 part added to 2 parts making a total of 3 parts,
ie. A dilution factor of x3.

Because of the dual meaning of the expression 1:2, it will not be used in the examinations.



Simple Dilutions

Example 1

Prepare a 1:8 dilution of concentrated stock solution of Viraclean to a final volume of 400ml with Distilled water

Determine what the unit volume is :

$400\text{ml} \div 8 = 50\text{ml}$, then

$400\text{ml} - 50\text{ml} = 350\text{ml}$ so

- *Dilute 50ml concentrated stock solution of Viraclean + 350ml Distilled water*



Simple Dilutions

Example 2

Describe the preparation of a 1:5 dilution of liquid bleach to a total volume of 1.5L

Convert 1.5L to ml

$$1.5\text{L} = 1500\text{ml}$$

Determine what the unit volume is :

$$1500\text{ml} \div 5 = 300\text{ml, then}$$

$$1500\text{ml} - 300\text{ ml} = 1200\text{ml}$$

- Dilute 300ml liquid bleach + 1200ml Distilled water



Making fixed volumes of specific concentrations from liquid reagents

- $V = \text{volume}$, $C = \text{concentration}$

(Stock solution) $V_1C_1 = V_2C_2$ (New solution)

or $V_1 \times C_1 = V_2 \times C_2$



Making fixed volumes of specific concentrations from liquid reagents

(Stock solution) $V_1C_1 = V_2C_2$ (Final solution)

Example 1:

You have: 3ml of 100mg/ml Ampicillin stock solution

You want: 200 μ l (= V_2) of solution of 25mg/ml (= C_2)

What is the volume of stock solution you will start with?

So, 100mg/ml (= C_1)

V_1 ?

200 μ l (= V_2)

25mg/ml (= C_2)



(Stock solution) $V_1C_1 = V_2C_2$ (New solution)

Example 1:

100mg/ml (= C1)

200 μ l (= V2)

25mg/ml (= C2)

What is the volume of stock solution you will start with?

convert 200 μ l to ml = 0.2ml, then $V_1C_1 = V_2C_2$

$$V_1 \times 100\text{mg/ml} = 0.2\text{ml} \times 25\text{mg/ml}$$

$$\text{So, } V_1 = \frac{0.2\text{ml} \times 25\text{mg/ml}}{100\text{mg/ml}} = \frac{5}{100} = 0.05\text{ml or } 50\mu\text{l}$$



Making fixed volumes of specific concentrations from liquid reagents

(Stock solution) $V_1C_1 = V_2C_2$ (Final solution)

Example 2:

What volume of a given 10mM stock solution is required to make 20ml of a 50 μ M solution?


using formula: $C_1V_1 = C_2V_2$

$C_1 = 10\text{mM}$

$V_1 = ?$ Stock solution

$C_2 = 50\mu\text{M}$

$V_2 = 20\text{ml}$



(Stock solution) $V_1C_1 = V_2C_2$ (New solution)

Example 2:

V_1 ? Stock solution

10mM (= C_1)

20ml (= V_2)

50 μ M (= C_2)

convert 50 μ M to mM = 0.05mM, then $V_1C_1 = V_2C_2$

$$V_1 \times 10mM = 20ml \times 0.05mM$$

$$\text{So, } V_1 = \frac{20ml \times 0.05mM}{10mM} = \frac{1}{10} = 0.1ml$$



Mole and Molar solutions

A mole is a unit expressing the amount of a substance

Molecular weight (MW): the mass (g) of 1 mole of an element (g/mole)

Formula weight (FW): the mass of 1 mole of the compound

Molarity: # of moles of a chemical or compound in 1 L of solution ($M = \text{mole/L}$)



Mole and Molar solutions

To prepare a litre of a simple molar solution from a dry ingredient

Chemical MW = 194.3g/mole. Make a 0.15M (mole/L) solution

$$194.3\text{g/mole} \times 0.15\text{moles/L} = 29.145\text{g per 1L}$$



Mole and Molar solutions

To prepare a specific volume of a molar solution from a dry reagent

Chemical MW = 180g/mole, you need 25ml of 0.15mole/L solution

Convert 25ml to L = 0.025L

$$\frac{g}{\text{specific L}} = \text{desired molarity (mole/L)} \times \text{MW (g/mole)}$$

$$g = \text{specific L} \times \text{desired molarity} \times \text{MW}$$

$$0.025\text{L} \times 0.15 \times 180 = 0.675\text{g}$$

Calculating the MW



Periodic Table of the Elements

1													18																			
1 H Hydrogen 1.01																		2 He Helium 4.00														
3 Li Lithium 6.94	4 Be Beryllium 9.01											5 B Boron 10.81	6 C Carbon 12.01	7 N Nitrogen 14.01	8 O Oxygen 16.00	9 F Fluorine 19.00	10 Ne Neon 20.18															
11 Na Sodium 22.99	12 Mg Magnesium 24.31											13 Al Aluminum 26.98	14 Si Silicon 28.09	15 P Phosphorus 30.97	16 S Sulfur 32.06	17 Cl Chlorine 35.45	18 Ar Argon 39.95															
19 K Potassium 39.10	20 Ca Calcium 40.08	21 Sc Scandium 44.96	22 Ti Titanium 47.88	23 V Vanadium 50.94	24 Cr Chromium 51.99	25 Mn Manganese 54.94	26 Fe Iron 55.93	27 Co Cobalt 58.93	28 Ni Nickel 58.69	29 Cu Copper 63.55	30 Zn Zinc 65.39	31 Ga Gallium 69.73	32 Ge Germanium 72.61	33 As Arsenic 74.92	34 Se Selenium 78.09	35 Br Bromine 79.90	36 Kr Krypton 84.80															
37 Rb Rubidium 84.49	38 Sr Strontium 87.62	39 Y Yttrium 88.91	40 Zr Zirconium 91.22	41 Nb Niobium 92.91	42 Mo Molybdenum 95.94	43 Tc Technetium 98.91	44 Ru Ruthenium 101.07	45 Rh Rhodium 102.91	46 Pd Palladium 106.42	47 Ag Silver 107.87	48 Cd Cadmium 112.41	49 In Indium 114.82	50 Sn Tin 118.71	51 Sb Antimony 121.76	52 Te Tellurium 127.6	53 I Iodine 126.90	54 Xe Xenon 131.29															
55 Cs Cesium 132.91	56 Ba Barium 137.33	57-71 Lanthanides	72 Hf Hafnium 178.49	73 Ta Tantalum 180.95	74 W Tungsten 183.85	75 Re Rhenium 186.21	76 Os Osmium 190.23	77 Ir Iridium 192.22	78 Pt Platinum 195.08	79 Au Gold 196.97	80 Hg Mercury 200.59	81 Tl Thallium 204.38	82 Pb Lead 207.20	83 Bi Bismuth 208.98	84 Po Polonium [208.98]	85 At Astatine 209.98	86 Rn Radon 222.02															
87 Fr Francium 223.02	88 Ra Radium 226.03	89-103 Actinides	104 Rf Rutherfordium [261]	105 Db Dubnium [262]	106 Sg Seaborgium [266]	107 Bh Bohrium [264]	108 Hs Hassium [269]	109 Mt Meitnerium [268]	110 Ds Darmstadtium [269]	111 Rg Roentgenium [272]	112 Cn Copernicium [277]	113 Uut Ununtrium unknown	114 Fl Flerovium [289]	115 Uup Ununpentium unknown	116 Lv Livermorium [296]	117 Uus Ununseptium unknown	118 Uuo Ununoctium unknown															
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																		89 Ac Actinium 227.03	90 Th Thorium 232.04	91 Pa Protactinium 231.04	92 U Uranium 238.03	93 Np Neptunium 237.05	94 Pu Plutonium 244.06	95 Am Americium 243.06	96 Cm Curium 247.07	97 Bk Berkelium 247.07	98 Cf Californium 251.08	99 Es Einsteinium [254]	100 Fm Fermium 257.10	101 Md Mendelevium 258.10	102 No Nobelium 259.10	103 Lr Lawrencium [262]

- Alkali Metal
- Alkaline Earth
- Transition Metal
- Basic Metal
- Semimetal
- Nonmetal
- Halogen
- Noble Gas
- Lanthanide
- Actinide

Calculating the MW

MW = The sum of the atomic weight of atoms in a molecule (g/mole)

Element	Atomic weight
Ca	40
H	1
Cl	35
K	39
Na	23

- $\text{HCl} = 1 + 35 = 36\text{g/mole}$
- $\text{K}_3\text{Cl}_2 = (39 \times 3) + (35 \times 2) = 117 + 70 = 187\text{g/mole}$



Calculating the MW

Calculate the amount of KNO_3 (Potassium Nitrate) required to prepare 500ml of 0.5mol/L concentration.

1st Calculate the MW of KNO_3

Element	Atomic weight
K	39
N	14
O	16

$$39 + 14 + (16 \times 3) = 39 + 14 + 48 = 101\text{g/mol}$$





Molar solutions

Calculate the amount (g) of KNO_3 (Potassium Nitrate) required to prepare 500ml of 0.5mol/L concentration.

$$\text{MW} = 101\text{g/mol}$$

2nd: Convert 500ml to L = 0.5L

$$g = \text{specific L} \times \text{desired molarity} \times \text{MW}$$

$$g = 0.5\text{L} \times 0.5\text{mol/L} \times 101\text{g/mol}$$

$$g = 25.25\text{g}$$



% Solutions

% concentration x volume needed = mass of reagent to use

Dry reagents (g/ml)

If you want to make 200ml of 3% NaCl.

Convert 3% to a decimal = $\frac{3}{100} = 0.03$ g/ml

$0.03 \times 200\text{ml} = 6$ g

So, use 6 g in 200ml water



% Solutions

% concentration x volume needed = mass of reagent to use

Liquid reagents (ml/ml)


If you want to make 2L of 70% Acetone.

Convert 70% to a decimal = $\frac{70}{100} = 0.70$ ml/ml

Convert 2L to ml = 2000ml

$0.70\text{ml/ml} \times 2000\text{ml} = 1400\text{ml}$

So, use 1400ml Acetone with 600ml water (2000ml total volume)

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Statistics: Mean, Median, Mode, Standard Deviation



Mean or Average

= is the sum of all elements of a set divided by the number of elements in the set

$$\text{Mean} = \frac{\text{sum of elements in the set}}{\text{number of elements}}$$

The table below shows the daily phlebotomy collects in ESC and Emergency Department (ED)

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
ESC	7	9	6	8	7	2	3
ED	45	50	49	46	52	47	48

Mean or Average

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	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
ESC	7	9	6	8	7	2	3
ED	45	50	49	46	52	47	48

Calculate the mean collects in ESC for the week.

$7+9+6+8+7+2+3= 42$ (sum of elements in the set)

7 (number of elements in the set)

Mean = $42 \div 7 = 6$

Median

= is the middle value of a set.

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
ESC	7	9	6	8	7	2	3
ED	45	50	49	46	52	47	48

Calculate the median collects in ED for the week.

Reorder the data set (Odd number of data)

ED	45	46	47	48	49	50	52
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Median = 48

Median

= is the middle value of a set.

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
ESC	7	9	6	8	7	2	3
ED	45	50	49	46	52	47	48

Calculate the median collects in ED from Mon to Sat

Reorder the data set (Even number of data)

ED	45	46	47	49	50	52	
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$$\text{Median} = \frac{47+49}{2} = \frac{96}{2} = 96 \div 2 = 48$$

$$\text{Median} = 48$$



Mode

= is the element that occurs the most often

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
ESC	7	9	6	8	7	2	3
ED	45	50	49	46	52	47	48

What is the mode collects in ESC for the week.

Mode = 7



Standard Deviation (σ)

= is a measure of the dispersion or variation of a set of data values from its mean

$$\text{Standard Deviation } (\sigma) = \sqrt{\textit{Variance}}$$



Calculating the Variance


To calculate the variance:

1. Work out the mean
2. For each number set, subtract the mean and then square the result
3. Then work out the mean or average of the squared differences

Calculating the Variance

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
ESC	7	9	6	8	7	2	3

- $7+9+6+8+7+2+3= 42$ (sum of elements in the set)
 7 (number of elements in the set)
Mean = $42 \div 7 = 6$
- $7-6=1, 9-6=3, 6-6=0, 8-6=2, 7-6=1, 2-6=-4, 3-6=-3$
 $1^2, 3^2, 0^2, 2^2, 1^2, 4^2, 3^2$
 $1, 9, 0, 4, 1, 16, 9$
- $1+9+0+4+1+16+9 = 40$
 $40 \div 7 = 5.714$



Calculating the Standard Deviation (σ)

$$\text{Variance} = 5.714$$

$$\text{Standard Deviation } (\sigma) = \sqrt{\text{Variance}}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{5.714}$$

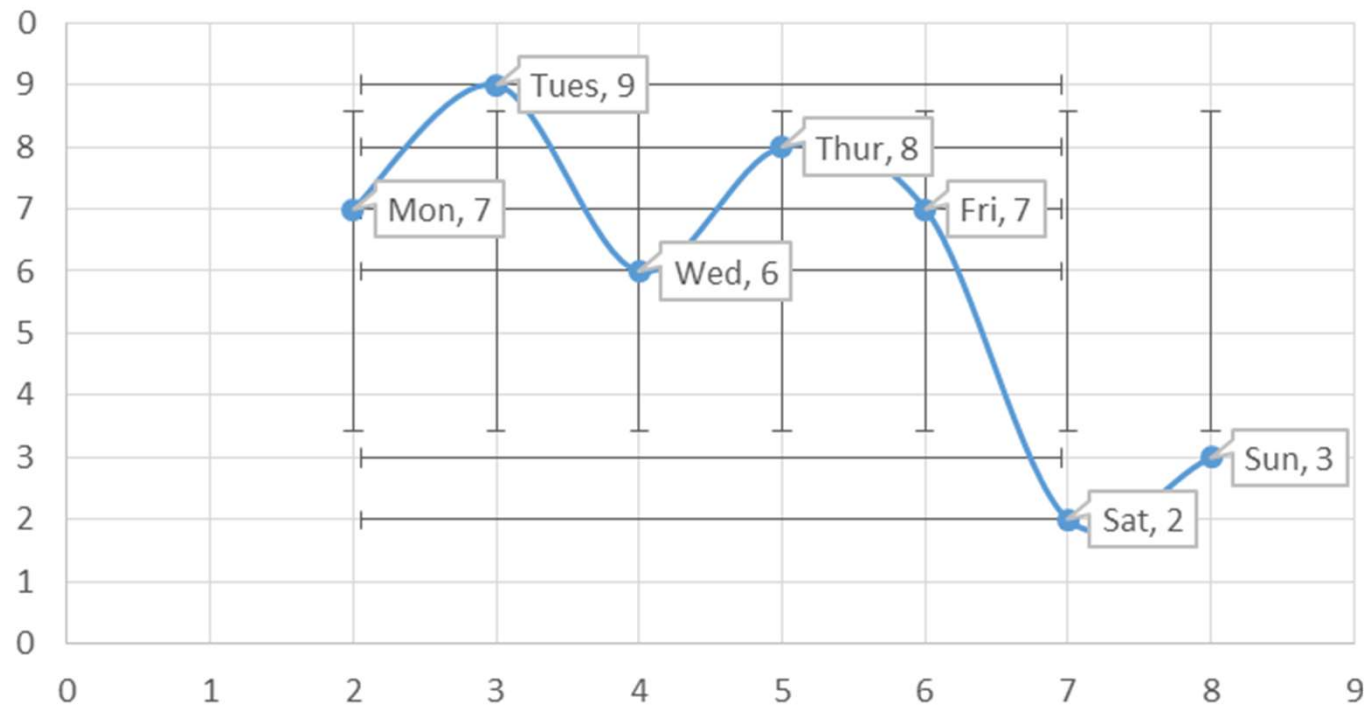
$$\sigma = 2.39$$

$$\text{Lower SD} = 6 - 2.39 = 3.61$$

$$\text{Upper SD} = 6 + 2.39 = 8.39$$

Plot on a Levy Jennings graph

ESC phlebotomy Collects



$$\sigma = 2.39$$

$$\text{Lower 1 SD} = 6 - 2.39 = 3.61$$

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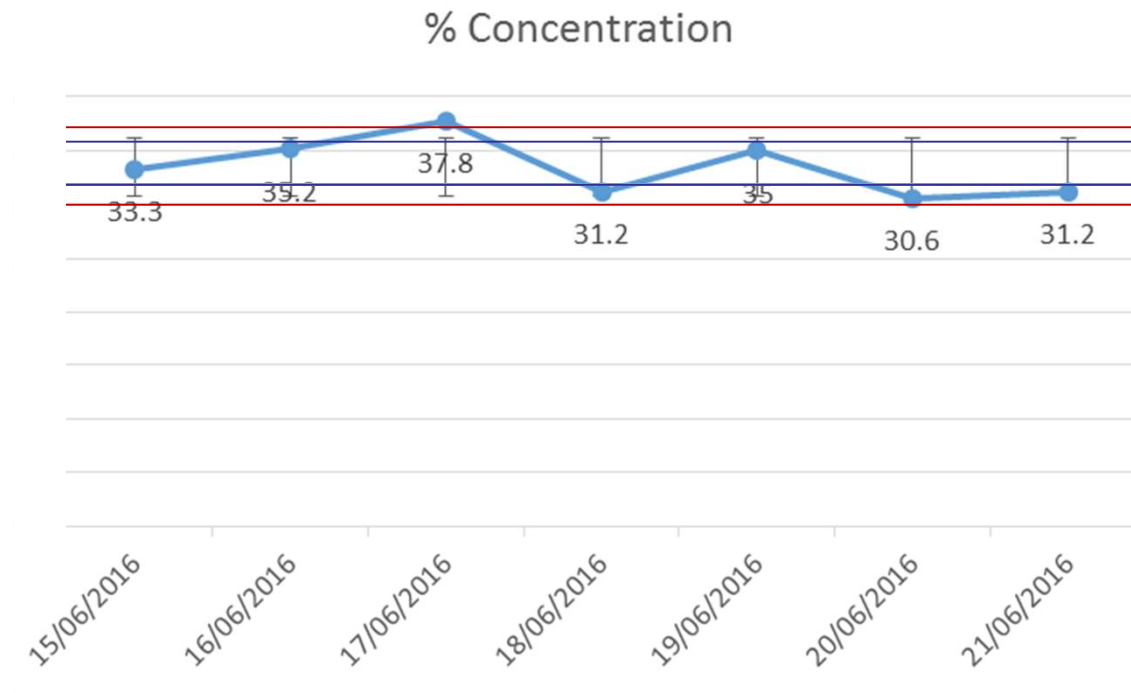
Levy Jennings Graph

Date	% Concentration
15/06/16	33.3
16/06/16	35.2
17/06/16	37.8
18/06/16	31.2
19/06/16	35
20/06/16	30.6
21/06/16	31.2

Mean = 34

SD = 1.2

Levy Jennings Graph



$\sigma = 1.2$

Mean = 34

1SD

$$34 - 1.2 = 32.8$$

$$34 + 1.2 = 35.2$$

2SD

$$32.8 - 1.2 = 31.6$$

$$35.2 + 1.2 = 36.4$$

3SD

$$31.6 - 1.2 = 30.4$$

$$36.4 + 1.2 = 37.6$$





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Thank You