Earth and Universe Science

Tutorial Exercises in Physics 1 / Set 1

Exercise 1:

Provide the dimensions and the units of the various physical quantities listed below:

Energy, power, potential **U**, and resistance **R**.

Exercise 2:

The force (modulus) of gravitation is given by: $F=G\frac{Mm}{r^2}$. Using the international units derived from the different quantities

1. Find the equation of dimensions and the unit of the gravitational constant G. With M and m (in kilogram: Kg) and r (in meter: m).

Exercise 3:

To measure the thickness of a hollow cylinder, you measure the inner diameter $\mathbf{D_1}$ and the outer diameter $\mathbf{D_2}$, and you find $D_1 = 19.5 \pm 0.1$ mm and $D_2 = 26.7 \pm 0.1$ mm.

- 1. Give the measurement result and its precision (relative uncertainty).
- **2.** Calculate the area **A** of a circle with a radius $\mathbf{R} = 5.21 \pm 0.10$ cm.
- 3. What is the precision ($\Delta S/S$ in %) of the obtained result?

Exercise 4:

To calculate the terrestrial acceleration g of a pendulum, we measure the length of the pendulum I as well as the oscillation period T we use the law: $T=2\pi\sqrt{\frac{I}{g}}$

With
$$l = (1.552 \pm 0.002)$$
m and $T = (2.50 \pm 0.02)$ s

1. Calculate g with its relative uncertainty as well as its absolute uncertainty