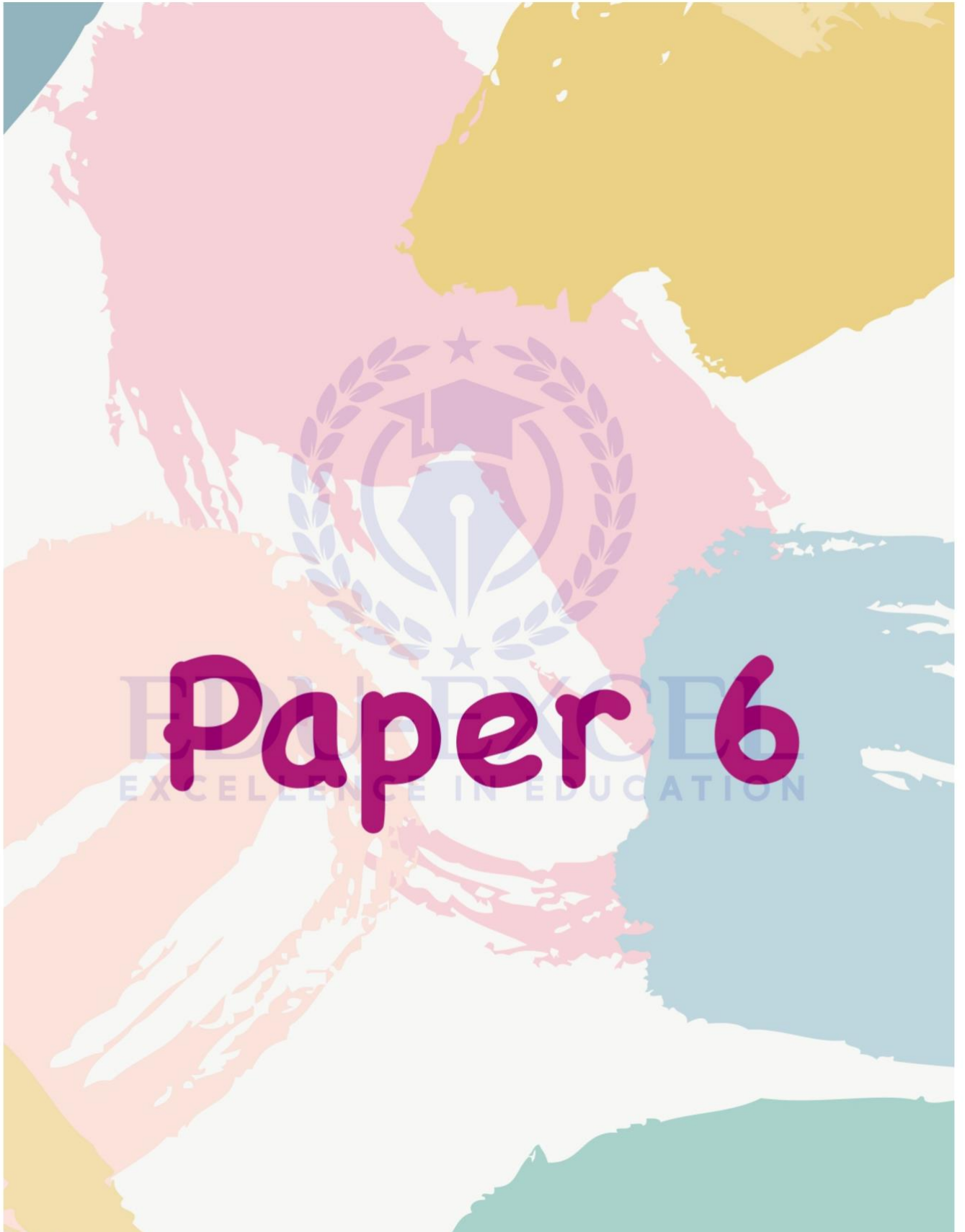


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## Pendulum Experiment

**Reading:** Calculate **Time Taken** For 1 complete cycle

**Steps:**

- 1-Measure the **Time taken** (t) for **20 cycle** using Stopwatch
- 2-Calculate Time Taken (T) for 1 complete cycle  $t=T/20$

Why measuring the time of 20 cycles instead of 1 cycle?

As 20 cycles Reduce the effect of human error (reaction time) when starting and stoping the stop watch as it distributes the error over 20 cycles instead of one cycle

**Variables:**

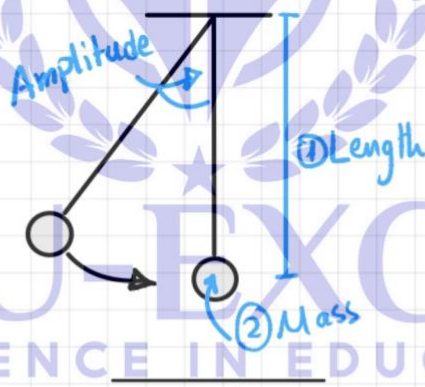
- 1-Length
- 2-Mass
- 3-Amplitude

**Apparatus**

- 1-Meter ruler
- 2-sensitive Balance
- 3- Protractor

Why not measuring time for 200 cycles ?

- 1-Pendulum may stop
- 2-Student may lose count



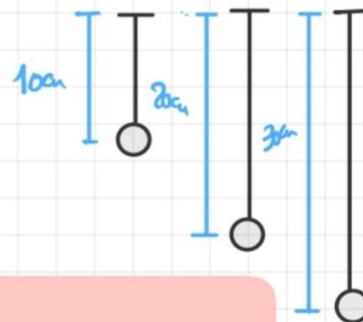
**Note:** if one factor is tested other should be constant

**Variable:**

**Length** (10cm,20cm,30cm)

**Reading:** For each length

- 1 Measure the time for 20 cycles
- 2 Then calculate the **time for one complete cycle**



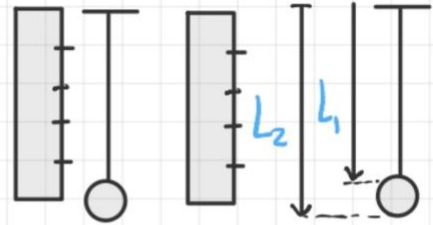
**Precautions:**

- 1-take the reading  $\perp$  on the meter ruler to avoid parallax error
- 2-use a set square for horizontal aid
- 3-Keep the ruler as close as possible to the bob

### Difficulty in measuring the length to the center of the bob

Solution: calculate the average by taking the reading Before the bob (L1) and after the bob (L2)

$$L = \frac{L_1 + L_2}{2}$$



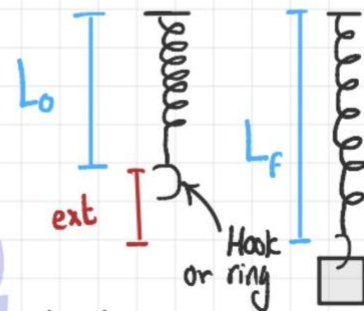
### Spring Experiment

**Reading:** Calculate the extension (x)

**Variables:**

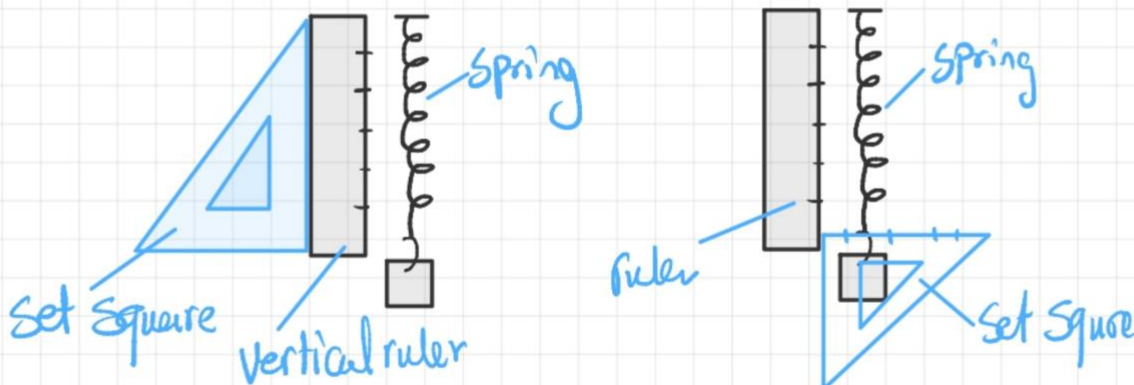
- 1-Loads
- 2-length of the spring
- 3-Area of the Spring
- 4-Material of the spring

**Note:** if one factor is tested other should be constant



**Precautions:**

- 1-take the reading  $\perp$  on the meter ruler to avoid parallax error
- 2-use a set square to make sure the ruler is vertical
- 3-use a set square at the end of the spring for horizontal aid
- 4-Keep the ruler as close as possible to the spring



**Note:** don't include the **ring** with length as it doesn't extend with the spring



## Balanced meter ruler experiment

### 1 Difficulty obtaining Center of mass of the meter ruler

Pivot the meter ruler right and left until the center of mass of the meter ruler is above the pivot



### 2 Difficulty obtaining balance as ruler tips one way then the other

Allow the ruler to tip one way then the other way and take average



### 3 Difficult to achieve perfect balance with the load

Solution 1

Move the load right and left until a balanced position is obtained

Solution 2

Fix one mass, and then move the other until a balanced position is obtained

### 4 Load cover the scale on the meter ruler

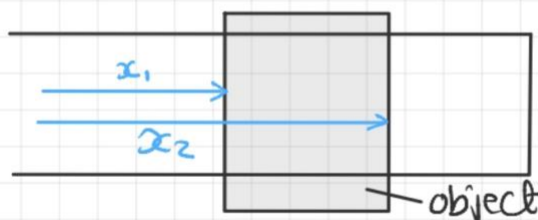
Solution 1

Mark the center of the mass so it can be read against ruler

Solution 2

Take the reading on both sides of the object & take average

$$\text{Exact Position} = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}$$



### 5 load may slip and fall off the meter ruler

Solution 1: Masses may be stucked

Solution 2: Use a meter ruler with a rough surface (made of wood)

## Thermal experiment "Rate of cooling"

**Reading:** measure the temperature every 30 seconds (Rate of cooling)

**Variables:**

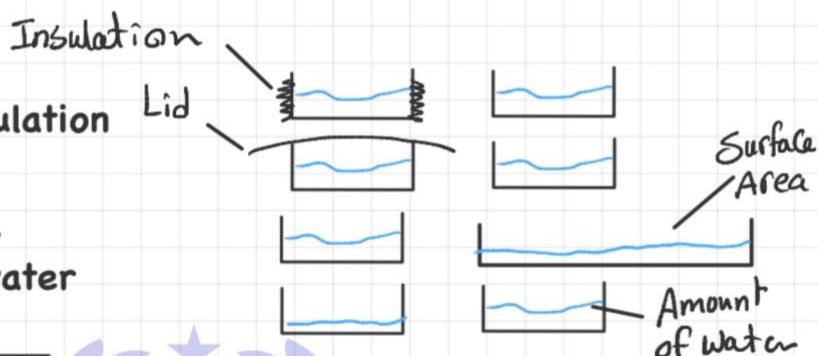
Beaker with

1-Insulation/without insulation

2-Lid/without lid

3-Different surface area

4-Different amount of water



time/s	$\theta_A/^\circ\text{C}$	$\theta_B/^\circ\text{C}$
0	87.5	88.0
30	84.5	86.0
60	82.0	84.5
90	80.5	83.0
120	79.0	82.0
150	78.0	81.0
180	77.0	80.5

**Note**

1 The rate of cooling increase as you get far from room temperature and decrease As you get near to room temperature

2 The rate of cooling of beaker A is higher than B as the temperature of beaker A decreased by  $10.5^\circ\text{C}$  over 180s while in B is  $7.5^\circ\text{C}$  over 180s

**Variable must kept constant**

1-Same initial temperature of water.

2-same room temperature.

**Precautions:**

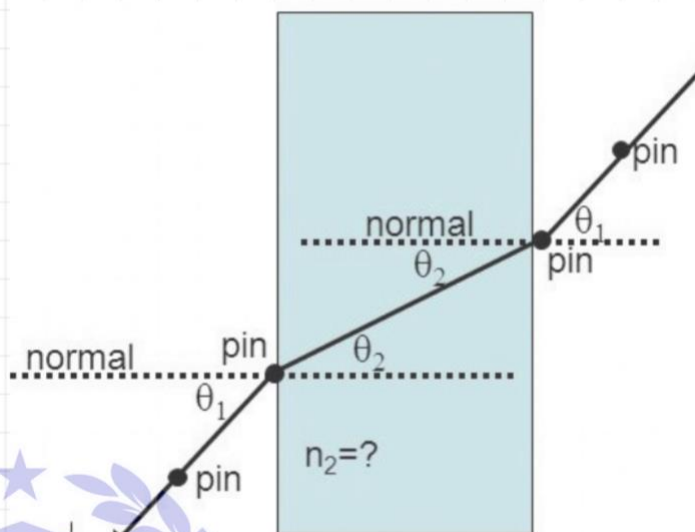
- 1-take the reading  $\perp$  on the Thermometer to avoid parallax error
- 2-Stir before taking the reading on the thermometer  
(to make sure that temperature is the same throughout the liquid)
- 3-wait for the temperature reading to become constant
- 4-Ensure thermometer not touching the beaker sides

**Hot to reduce heat loss**

- ➡ Add lid
- ➡ Add insulation
- ➡ increase the room temperature
- ➡ Reduce the initial temperature of water
- ➡ Decrease the surface area of the beaker



## Optical pins Experiment



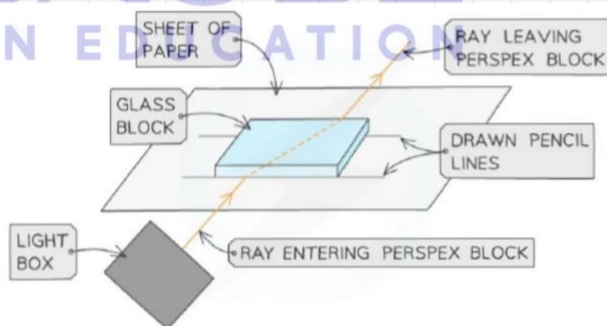
### Difficulties and Source of errors

- ✚ Pins may be not vertical
- ✚ Pins may be thick
- ✚ Lines may be thick
- ✚ Mirror may be thick
- ✚ Difficultly of aligning pins correctly

### Precautions

- ✚ Increase the distance between the pins more than 5 cm apart
- ✚ View the bases of the pins
- ✚ Use thin pencil line
- ✚ Use thin pins
- ✚ Use thin mirror

## Ray box Experiment



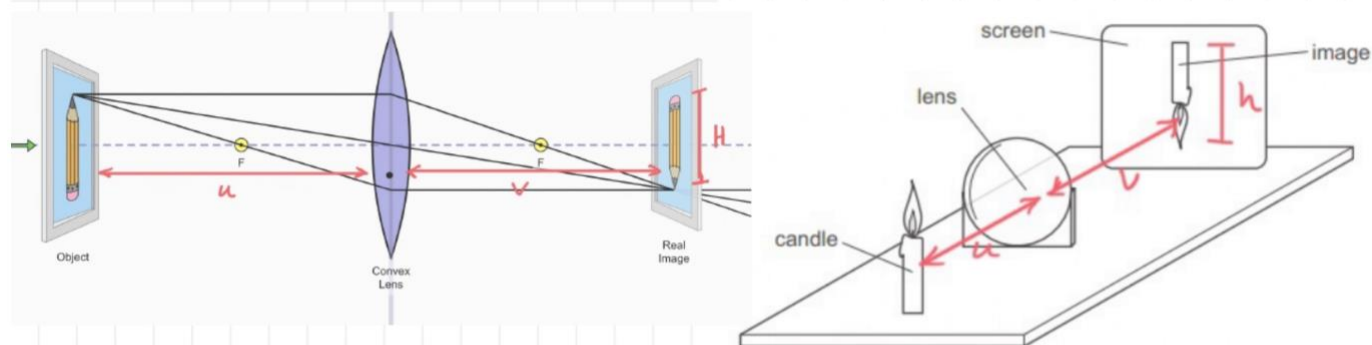
### Difficulties and Source of errors

- ✚ Thickness of rays
- ✚ Making the experiment in a bright Room
- ✚ not taking the reading perpendicular On the protractor

### Precautions

- ✚ make rays thin as possible
- ✚ make the experiment in dark room
- ✚ take the reading perpendicular to avoid parallax error

## Convex lens Experiment



**Reading:** to measure the **height** of the image & get focused image

**Variable:** change the distance between object and lens (**u**)

Then measure the **height** and distance between the lens & image (**v**)

### Difficulties and Source of errors

- ✚ difficulty in measuring to center of Lens
- ✚ reaching focused and sharp image Is not easy
- ✚ image appears focused only over a small range of values

### Precautions

- ✚ mark the position of the center of the lens on the holder
- ✚ use a dark room and bright lamp
- ✚ move screen back and forth to obtain the sharpest image
- ✚ Move the lens back and forth to obtain the sharpest image
- ✚ make object, lens & screen on the same height
- ✚ make object, lens & screen are  $\perp$  on the Bench

Shadow of the meter ruler & hands of the student hide the image?

- ✚ Use a translucent screen and view the image from behind
- ✚ Use a scaled screen

What is the difference between the object and the image

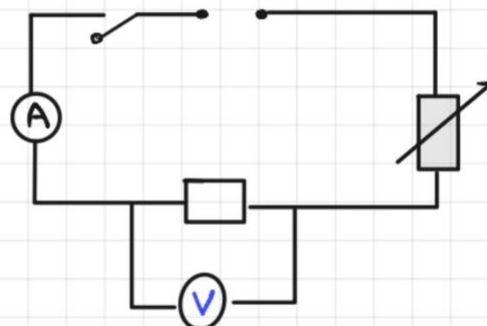
- ✚ image is upside down (Inverted)
- ✚ image is less bright than the object

## Electricity Experiment

**Reading:** calculate the **resistance** of a wire/resistor

Steps:

- 1-Get volt by voltmeter
- 2-Get current by ammeter
- 3-Calculate the Resistance  $R=V/I$



### Variables

- ☞ Length of wire
- ☞ Area of the wires
- ☞ Material of the wire
- ☞ Resistors connecting in series or in parallel

### Difficulties and Source of errors

- ☞ Wires become too hot (Temperature increase)
- ☞ Difficult to judge position of the Crocodile clip due to its thickness

### Precautions

- ☞ reduce the current
- ☞ switch off the circuit between each reading

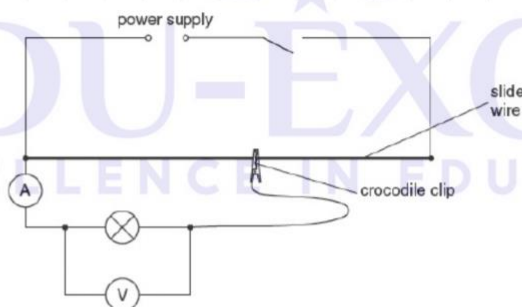


Fig. 3.1

we use **variable resistor** to vary resistance so **current** changes so:

- ☞ To give multiple sets of reading to calculate average
- ☞ To prevent overheating of wires

**Note:** ☞ Brighter lamps have more temperature

☞ Ammeter is connected in series while voltmeter in parallel



## Plan an Experiment

- 1-Draw
- 2-Variable
- 3-Reading
- 4-Apparatus
- 5-Precautions
- 6-Variable must kept constant
- 7-Table
- 8-Graph
- 9-Conclusion

Variable/unit	Reading/unit



### Repeated statements

- ➡ Repeat the experiment for every (variable) **at least 5 times** and take average
- ➡ Plot a graph between each (variable) and (reading) and compare results

$$\% \text{ Error} = \frac{L-S}{S} \times 100$$

error  $\leq$  10%    **yes**  
 error  $>$  10%    **no**

➡ X1=15.3 cm     $\frac{15.3-15}{15} \times 100 = 2\%$   
 ➡ X2=15.0 cm

Statement: yes they are equal  
 Justification: (x) & (y) are close to each other **within** the limit of experimental accuracy

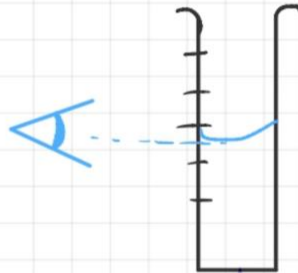
➡ X1=11 cm     $\frac{15-11}{11} \times 100 = 36\%$   
 ➡ X2=15.0 cm

Statement: no they are not equal  
 Justification: (x) & (y) are **not** close to each other **beyond** the limit of experimental accuracy

## Important notes

Measuring **volume** using a measuring cylinder

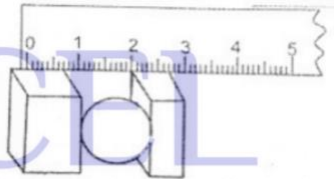
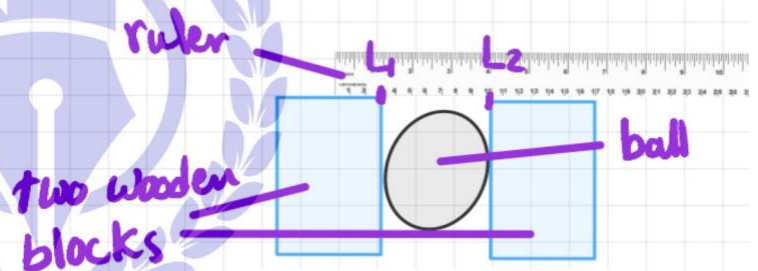
- 1-Take the reading perpendicular to the scale to avoid parallax error
- 2-Take the reading from the bottom of the meniscus
- 3-immerse the object in the water slowly to avoid splash of water



Measuring the **diameter** of a ball or a lens

get two wooden blocks and measure spacing between them

$$\text{Diameter of sphere} = L_2 - L_1$$



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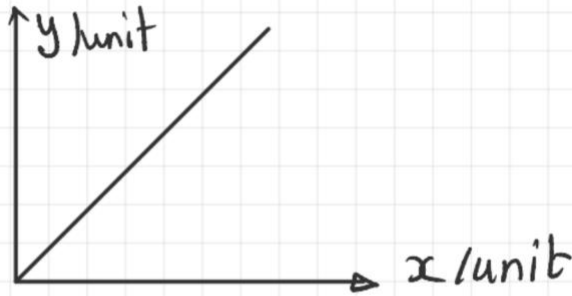
To ensure bench is **horizontal**

Measure the vertical height between the bench and the ruler From both ends of the bench are equal



**Directly proportional**

Graph must start from the origin



**Inversely proportional**

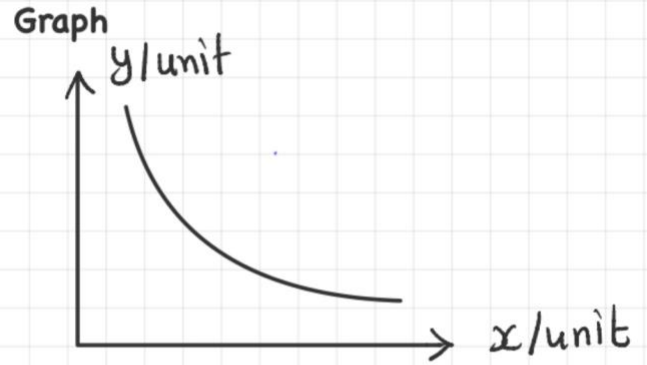


Table  
The results of division equal to a constant value

x	y
1	10
2	20
3	30

$10/1 = 10$   
 $20/2 = 10$   
 $30/3 = 10$

Table The multiplication equal to a constant value

x	y
2	10
4	5
6	3.33

$2 \times 10 = 20$   
 $4 \times 5 = 20$   
 $6 \times 3.33 = 20$

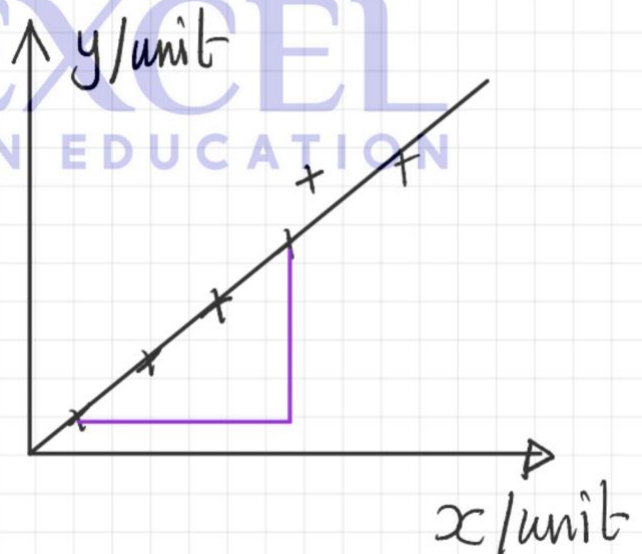
**Graph**

**Notes:**

- Label the y & x axis with unit
- Take 50% from the graph
- Draw a line of best fit

**Gradient**

- you must make a triangle
- take two points far apart
- Two points must be on the line



Tip:  $Scale = \frac{Max - Min}{no. of squares}$