

1 (a) Define density.

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(b) Fig. 1.1 shows a cuboidal glass block.

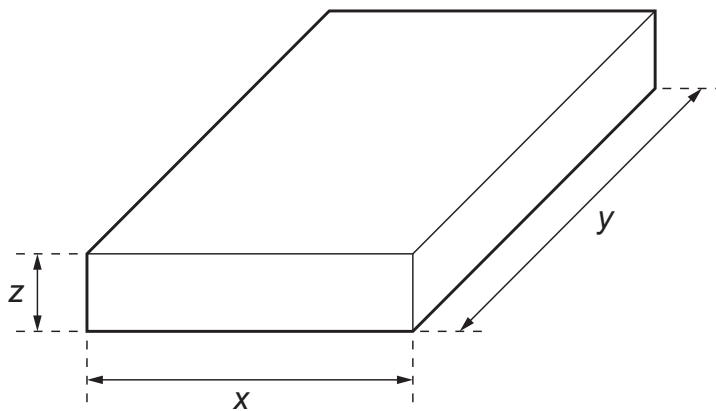


Fig. 1.1 (not to scale)

A student measures the mass  $m$  of the block and the side lengths  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ . The measurements are shown in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1

quantity	measurement
$m$	$(0.243 \pm 0.001)$ kg
$x$	$(5.41 \pm 0.01)$ cm
$y$	$(11.09 \pm 0.01)$ cm
$z$	$(1.62 \pm 0.01)$ cm

(i) Determine the density of the glass.

density = .....  $\text{kg m}^{-3}$  [2]

(ii) Calculate the percentage uncertainty in the density.

percentage uncertainty = .....% [3]

(c) The true value of the density of the glass is different from the answer in (b)(i) because of a systematic error in the measurements.

Suggest **one** possible cause of this systematic error.

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