

Chemistry 255  
Spring 2011  
Problem Set #1  
Answer Key

1. a.  $6.188 + 1.953 + 0.72 + 18.123 = \mathbf{26.98}$   
b.  $62.52 - 4.8 = \mathbf{57.7}$   
c.  $27.56 \times 8.7 = \mathbf{240}$  or  $\mathbf{2.4 \times 10^2}$   
d.  $87.6 \div 32.4 = \mathbf{2.70}$   
e.  $\log 37.428 = \mathbf{1.57320}$

2. a. 
$$\frac{(10.52 + 11.02 + 10.12 + 9.74 + 10.52 + 10.22 + 9.87)}{7} = \frac{72.01}{7} = \mathbf{10.29}$$

b. 
$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}} = \sqrt{\frac{1.1513}{7-1}} = \mathbf{0.44}$$

3. mean = 502.82 mg  
standard dev. = 9.35 mg

$$z = \frac{x - \bar{x}}{s}$$

\* First find z values for 497.21 and 515.91

497.21:  $z = \left| \frac{497.21 - 502.82}{9.35} \right| = 0.6$  Corresponding area = 0.2258

515.91:  $z = \left| \frac{515.91 - 502.82}{9.35} \right| = 1.4$  Corresponding area = 0.4192

Area between 497.21 and 515.91 = 0.2258 + 0.4192 = 0.6450 = 64.50% of the tablets

4. You are determining whether two sets of measurements are significantly different

$$t_{\text{calc}} = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{s_{\text{pooled}}} \sqrt{\frac{n_1 n_2}{n_1 + n_2}} \qquad s_{\text{pooled}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{\text{set 1}} (x_i - \bar{x}_1)^2 + \sum_{\text{set 2}} (x_j - \bar{x}_2)^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}}$$

$$\bar{x}_1 = \frac{(98.23 + 101.37 + 99.08)}{3} = 99.56$$

$$(x_i - \bar{x}_1)^2$$

$$(98.23 - 99.56)^2 = 1.769$$

$$(101.37 - 99.56)^2 = 3.376$$

$$(99.08 - 99.56)^2 = 0.230$$

$$1.769 + 3.376 + 0.230 = 5.275$$

$$\bar{x}_2 = \frac{(100.57 + 101.429 + 99.12 + 98.24 + 99.58)}{5} = 99.788$$

$$(x_j - \bar{x}_2)^2$$

$$(100.57 - 99.788)^2 = 0.6115$$

$$(101.429 - 99.788)^2 = 2.6929$$

$$(99.12 - 99.788)^2 = 0.4462$$

$$(98.24 - 99.788)^2 = 2.3963$$

$$(99.58 - 99.788)^2 = 0.0433$$

$$0.6115 + 2.6929 + 0.4462 + 2.3963 + 0.0433 = 6.1902$$

$$s_{\text{pooled}} = \sqrt{\frac{5.2754 + 6.1902}{8 - 2}} = 1.382 \approx 1.38$$

$$t_{\text{calc}} = \frac{99.788 - 99.56}{1.38} \sqrt{\frac{5 \cdot 3}{5 + 3}} = 0.2262 \approx 0.23$$

$$t_{\text{table}} \text{ for 6 degrees of freedom} = 3.143$$

$$t_{\text{calc}} < t_{\text{table}}$$

They are the same, the old bottle is still good. They are not significantly different.

5. The high value : 54.34

average = 50.96

st.dev. = 1.70

$$G_{calc} = \frac{54.34 - 50.96}{1.70} = 1.988 \approx 1.99 \quad G_{table} \text{ for 6 observations} = 1.822$$

$G_{calc} > G_{table}$  He can reject the high data point.

6. Equation of line:  $y = (1.308)x + (144.6)$

If  $y = 836$  (Instrument reading) then

$$836 = 1.308x + 144.6 \quad \text{solve for } x$$

$$x = 538.59 \approx 529 \text{ or } 5.29 \times 10^2$$

Error in answer:

$$s_y = 13.794$$

$$s_x = \frac{13.794}{1.308} \sqrt{\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{(528.593 - 798.6)^2}{(1.308)^2 (1.0 \times 10^5)}} = 13.448$$

**Final answer  $x = 5.3 \times 10^2 \pm 13$**

7. a)  $2.1 \pm 0.2$  or  $2.1 \pm 11\%$

b)  $0.151 \pm 0.009$  or  $0.151 \pm 6\%$

c)  $0.22 \pm 0.02$  or  $0.22 \pm 11\%$

d)  $0.097 \pm 0.002$  or  $0.097 \pm 2\%$