

Solutions

Problem 1:

(D) The average count rate is 2/s. To establish an uncertainty of 1% we need $\Delta N/N = N^{1/2}/N = 1/N^{1/2} = 0.01$. $N = 10000$. It takes 5000s to obtain 10000 counts.

Problem 2:

(A) Accuracy is the degree of veracity while precision is the degree of reproducibility

Problem 3:

(C) Single slit, first minimum: $d \sin \theta = \lambda$
 $d = 4 \times 10^{-7} \text{m} / 4 \times 10^{-3} = 10^{-4}$

Problem 4:

(A) Precision is the degree of reproducibility.

Problem 5:

(E) Beam expander: magnification = 10. $f_2 = f_1 \times 10$, $d = f_1 + f_2$.

Problem 6:

(B) Electrical measurements:

Problem 11:

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Problem 8:

(C) Differential scattering cross section: small beam, big target:
(# of particles scattered per second into $d\Omega$)
 $= [(\# \text{ of beam particles})/s] \times [(\# \text{ of target particles})/\text{area}] \times \sigma(\Omega) d\Omega$
 $10^2 = 10^{12} \times 10^{20} \times \sigma(\Omega) 10^{-4}$ with $\sigma(\Omega)$ in units of cm^2 .

Problem 9:

(C) propagation of errors. Let $c = ab$, the $\Delta c/c = [(\Delta a/a)^2 + (\Delta b/b)^2]^{1/2}$.