

measurement

1.1 Physical Quantities

- **physical quantity** → quantity that can be measured
- **derived quantity** → physical quantity derived by combining base quantities thru multiplication / division / both

physical quantity

base quantities

- time
- length
- electric current
- thermodynamic temperature
- luminous intensity
- amount of substance

derived quantities

- volume
- area
- velocity
- acceleration
- density
- momentum
- charge
- power
- force
- energy
- work
- pressure

Base quantities & Derived quantities

↳ physical quantity which cannot be derived from another physical quantity

Base quantity	Symbol
Length	l
Mass	m
Time	t
Thermodynamic temperature	T
Electric current	I
Luminous intensity	I_v
Amount of substance	n

S.I. unit	Symbol
metre	m
kilogram	kg
second	s
Kelvin	K
ampere	A
candela	cd
mole	mol

Amount of substance

- used in chemistry
- refers to the quantity of an element / a compound

Derived quantity	Symbol	Formula
Volume	V	$V = l^3$
Density	ρ	$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$
velocity	v	$v = \frac{l}{t}$
charge	Q	$Q = I \times t$

Prefixes

Prefixes	Value	Standard form	Symbol
Tera	1 000 000 000 000	10^{12}	T
Giga	1 000 000 000	10^9	G
Mega	1 000 000	10^6	M
Kilo	1 000	10^3	k
deci	0.1	10^{-1}	d
centi	0.01	10^{-2}	c
milli	0.001	10^{-3}	m
micro	0.000 001	10^{-6}	μ
nano	0.000 000 001	10^{-9}	n
pico	0.000 000 000 001	10^{-12}	p

Units for Area + Volume

$$1 \text{ m} = 10^3 \text{ cm}$$

$$1 \text{ cm} = 10^{-2} \text{ m}$$

$$1 \text{ m}^2 = (10^3)^2 \text{ cm}^2$$

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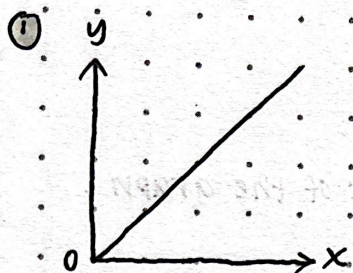
Scalar + vector quantities

Scalar quantity	vector quantity
physical quantity that has only magnitude	physical quantity that has both magnitude and direction
Examples: - Distance - speed - time - mass - energy	Examples: - displacement - velocity - weight - force - acceleration

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1.2 Scientific Investigation

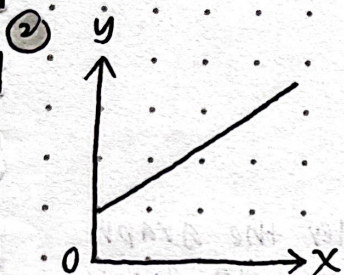
Interpretation of Graphs of Different Shapes



Type of graph: A straight line that passes through the origin

Relationship: y is directly proportional to x

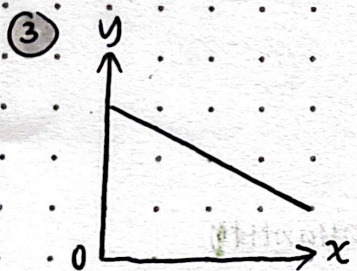
Linear equation: $y = mx$ $\rightarrow y \propto x$
 $\rightarrow c = 0$



Type of graph: A straight line w/ a positive gradient that x pass thru the origin

Relationship: y increases linearly w/ x

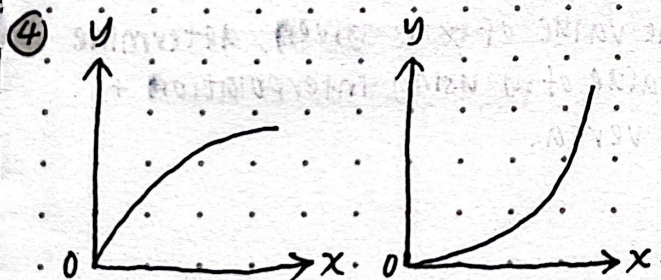
Linear equation: $y = mx + c$



Type of graph: straight line w/ a -tive gradient that x pass thru the origin

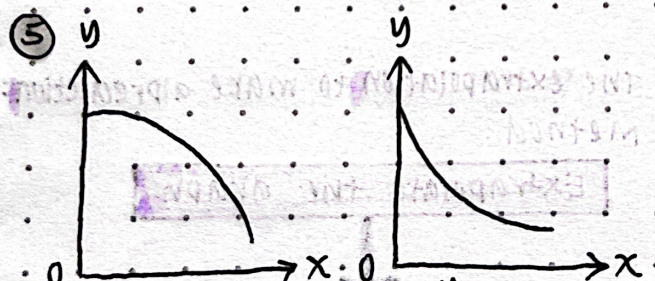
Relationship: y decreases linearly w/ x

Linear equation: $y = mx + c$



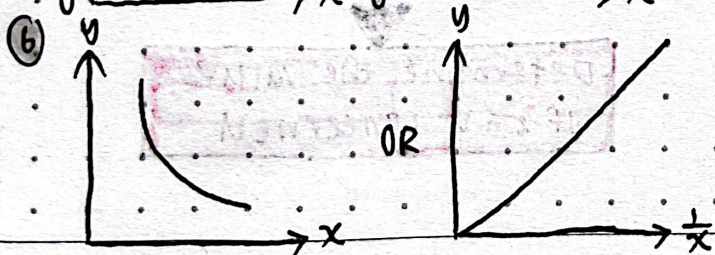
Type of graph: A curve w/ a +tive gradient that passes thru the origin

Relationship: y increases w/ x



Type of graph: A curve w/ a -tive gradient that x pass thru the origin both axes

Relationship: y decreases w/ x



Type of graph: (i) A curve w/ a -tive gradient that x cut both axes

(ii) A straight line y against $\frac{1}{x}$ w/ a +tive gradient thru the origin

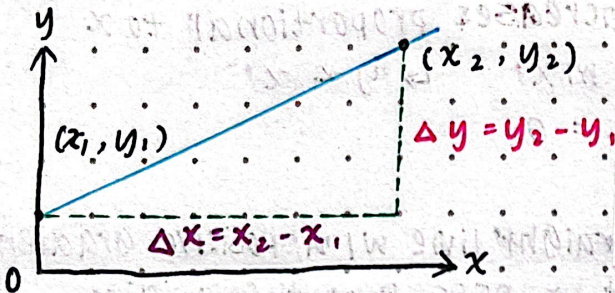
Relationship: (i) y is inversely proportional to x
 (ii) y is directly proportional to x

Analysing Graphs to Summarise an Investigation

① The relationship between two variables

- method: interpret the shape of graph obtained

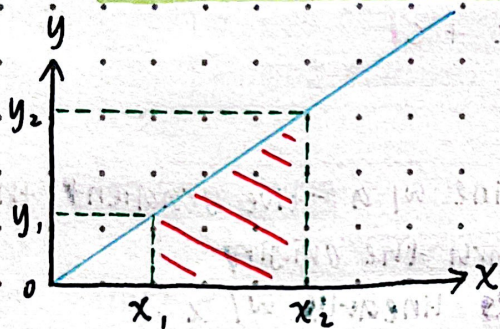
② The gradient of the graph



Method:
calculate the gradient of the graph,

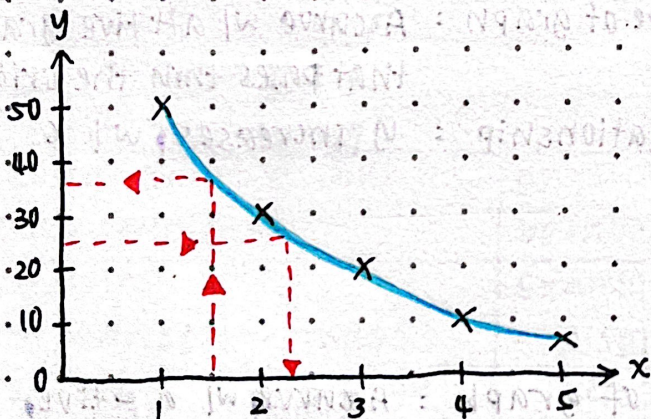
$$m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

③ The area under the graph



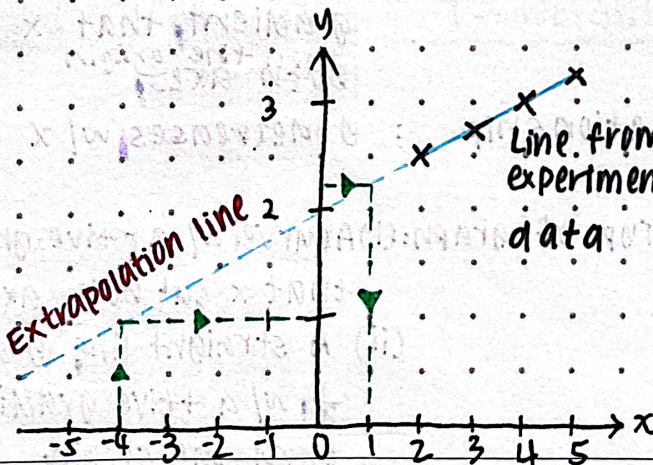
Method:
calculate the area under the graph using the relevant formula for the area

④ The interpolation to determine the value of a physical quantity



Method:
if the value of x is given, determine the value of y using interpolation + vice versa.

⑤



The extrapolation to make a prediction
Method:

Extrapolate the graph

Determine the value of $x + y$ concerned