Dr Oliver Mathematics Worked Examples Mass, Density, and Volume 2

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1. Liquid A and liquid B are mixed together in the ratio 2:13 by volume to make liquid C. (4)

Liquid A has density 1.21 g/cm^3 . Liquid B has density 1.02 g/cm^3 .

A cylindrical container is filled completely with liquid C. The cylinder has radius 3 cm and height 25 cm.

Work out the mass of the liquid in the container. Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures. You must show all your working.

Solution

We recall

density =
$$\frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}}$$
.

Liquid C has density

$$\frac{(2 \times 1.21) + (13 \times 1.02)}{2 + 13} = \frac{2.42 + 13.26}{15}$$
$$= \frac{15.68}{15}$$
$$= \frac{392}{375} \text{ g/cm}^3.$$

Now,

volume =
$$\pi \times 3^2 \times 25$$

= 225π cm³.

Finally,

mass = density × volume
=
$$\frac{392}{375}$$
 × 225 π
= 738.902 592 1 (FCD)
= 739 g (3 sf).