

PHYS 500-FALL 2019**Homework 3****Hand in: Friday 8th November 2019 at 23:59****Prof. Vasileios Lempesis**

1. In an experiment to study the behaviour of silicon diodes when they are cooled, the voltage across a diode was measured as a function of the diode temperature. We got the following data after 8 measurements.

Recordings	Temperature (K)	Voltage (V)
1	300	0.630
2	290	0.653
3	280	0.670
4	270	0.678
5	260	0.695
6	250	0.705
7	240	0.735
8	230	0.748

Apply the method of least squares to determine the best fit line $V=BT+A$. This is to determine A and B and their errors and rounding them in correct number of significant digits. V is for voltage and T for temperature. (15 marks)

3. We measure the sides of the slab, shown in figure below and we found:

$$a = (9.0 \pm 0.3) \text{ mm}, \quad b = (3.0 \pm 0.3) \text{ mm}, \quad c = (2.0 \pm 0.3) \text{ mm}.$$

a) Calculate the volume of the slab (1 mark).

b) Calculate the error of the volume (2 marks).

c) Quote the final result (volume \pm error) after making all the necessary roundings (2 marks).

