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## DENSITY

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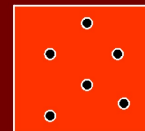
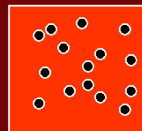
## What is Density?

- Density is the amount of mass per unit of volume.
  - **Density= mass divided by volume**
  - **$D = m/v$** 
    - $D$ =density,  $m$ =mass,  $v$ =volume
- Or in other words:
  - How heavy something is for its size.

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## How packed an object is...

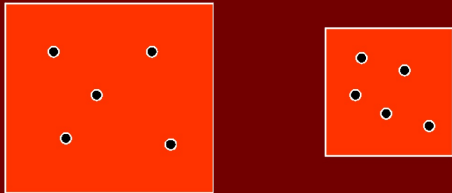
- Density will tell you if an object has particles really close together or further apart.
  - Which has a higher density?



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## Can you answer this?

Which has a higher density?



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## Units for Density

We use the units **grams/cubic centimeter** or **grams/milliliter**.

**$\text{g/cm}^3$  or  $\text{g/mL}$**

These units come from:

- grams for mass
- $\text{cm}^3$  or mL for volume

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## Does density change?

- Density is a proportional relationship. That means that as long as the mass and volume are proportional to each other the density will not change.
  - Ex. If you have piece of clay that has a density of  $2\text{g/cm}^3$ . The clay will have the same density whether you have a large piece or a small piece. The density does not change.
  - Most substances have a predictable density (i.e. Water has a density of  $1\text{g/mL}$ ).

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## To float or not to float

- A substance that has a lower density will float on a substance that has a higher density.
- Ice floats on water because it is less dense. Can you think of other things you've noticed that float because of their densities?
  - Anything with a density of more than  $1\text{g/mL}$  will sink in water, less than  $1\text{g/mL}$  will float

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## Practice



1. What is the density of this object?
2. Will it float or sink in water? How do you know?

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## Answer

### ■ Density

–  $D = m/v$

- Mass=200 g
- Volume=  $5\text{cm} \times 10\text{cm} \times 2\text{cm} = 100\text{cm}^3$
- $D = 200\text{g}/100\text{cm}^3 = \mathbf{2\text{g/cm}^3}$

**The object will sink in water because it has a higher density than water (1 g/mL).**

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## Density Stations

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**I can determine the  
relative density of an  
object.**

**Put these liquids in order of  
density.**

**Water  
Rubbing Alcohol  
Corn Syrup  
Oil  
Dish soap**