Core Mathematics Preparation 1.1 Quick questions

1.1.6 Standardise units in calculations

- 1. An aircraft covers a distance of 868 km in a time of 1 hour 12 minutes. Calculate the average speed of the aircraft in metres per second (ms^{-1}).
- 2. A solid spherical object has a radius of 70 mm and a mass of 3.7 kg. Calculate the density of the object in grammes per cubic centimetre (g cm^{-3}).

1.1.7 Carry out calculations within limits of accuracy

- 3. A metal plate is cut in the shape of a trapezium. The two parallel sides have lengths of 56 cm and 83 cm correct to 1 decimal place. The distance between the parallel sides is 71 cm to the nearest 1 cm.
 - a. By considering the upper and lower bounds of the rounded dimensions calculate the minimum and maximum possible area of the trapezium.
 - b. The plate is 1.00 cm thick and is made from an alloy with a density of $2.00 \, \mathrm{g \ cm^{-3}}$. By using a suitable upper and lower bound for the thickness and density, calculate the maximum and minimum mass of the plate.

1.1.10 Rationalise the denominator of fractions containing surds

- 4. Write $\sqrt{4000}$ in the form $a\sqrt{b}$ where a and b are integers.
- 5. Rationalise the surd $\frac{2+\sqrt{5}}{3-\sqrt{7}}$