

ME 379 Experimental Accuracies

Internal flow

Tube length	± 0.065 in
Tube diameter	± 0.002 in
Flowrate	$\pm 5\%$
Water column	± 0.05 in
Air temperature	± 1 F

External flow (Falling Sphere experiment)

Stop watch (time duration)	± 0.25 s
Glycerin temperature	± 0.5 C

External flow (Cylinder in crossflow experiment)

Airflow (pressure gage)	$\pm 2\%$ of full scale
Large washer	19 ± 0.5 g
Small washer	5 ± 0.2 g

Convection Heat flow

K-type thermocouple	± 1 °F
Simpson multimeter	$\pm 0.5\%$
Pitot tube manometer	$\pm 5\%$
Thermistor	± 0.4 °C

Radiation

K-type thermocouple	± 1 F
Wattmeter	± 0.2 W

Boundary Layer

Mercury thermometer	± 1 F
Manometer	± 0.1 mbar
Pitot tube thickness	± 0.025 in

Falling Sphere or External Flow Experiment

Diameter (inch)	Mass (g)	Density (lbm/in ³)
0.75	28.1	0.2798
0.5	8.3	0.2789
0.375	3.5	0.2788
0.25	1.0	0.2689