

## Upper and Lower Bounds

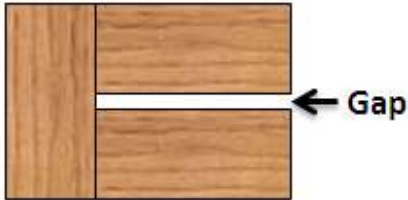
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- What is the minimum capacity?

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- What is the largest possible gap?
- What is the smallest possible gap?

3.



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- What is the largest possible volume?
  - What is the smallest possible volume?
- c) What percentage saving would be made on butter if the smallest possible volume were provided compared to the largest?

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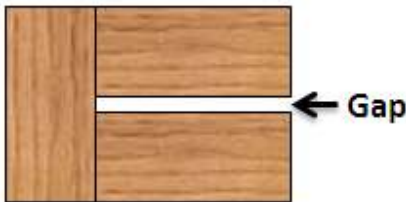
a) What is the maximum capacity of the mug?

$$8.55 \times \pi \times \left(\frac{7.25}{2}\right)^2 = 352.965\text{cm}^3$$

b) What is the minimum capacity?

$$8.45 \times \pi \times \left(\frac{7.15}{2}\right)^2 = 339.280\text{cm}^3$$

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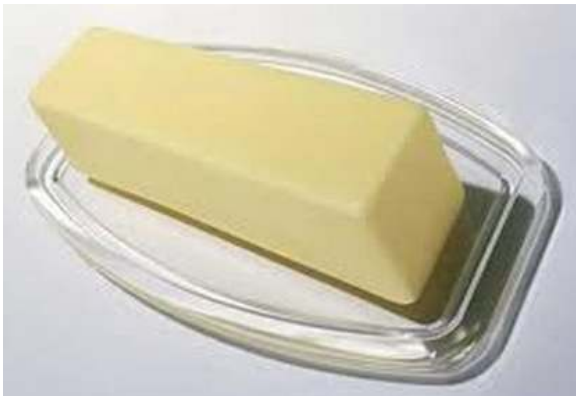
a) What is the largest possible gap?

$$24.5 - 2 \times 10.5 = 3.5\text{cm}$$

b) What is the smallest possible gap?

$$23.5 - 2 \times 11.5 = 0.5\text{cm}$$

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a) What is the largest possible volume?

$$3.5 \times 3.5 \times 8.5 = 104.125\text{cm}^3$$

b) What is the smallest possible volume?

$$2.5 \times 2.5 \times 7.5 = 46.875\text{cm}^3$$

c) What percentage saving would be made on butter if the smallest possible volume were provided compared to the largest?

$$\frac{46.875}{104.125} = 0.450 \Rightarrow \text{Min} = 45\% \text{ of Max} \Rightarrow 55\% \text{ saving}$$