

***Interactive comment on “The density of seawater  
as a function of salinity (5 to 70 g kg<sup>-1</sup>) and  
temperature  
(0 to 90 °C)” by F. J. Millero and F. Huang***

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The corrections were made as suggested by Referee 1 and other typos in the manuscript were corrected.

Also see AC S25 : 'Response to Referee 3 and Corrections' , Frank Millero, 26 Feb 2009,

Corrections Abstract

Line 3 unit added to read  
( $\sigma = 0.0036 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ )

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Line 12 unit added to read

$S_A = (35.16504/35)S \text{ g kg}^{-1}$ )

Line 12 unit added to read

$S_A = 0 \text{ to } 50 \text{ g kg}^{-1}$ )

Line 16 reference added to read

The earlier density measurements (Millero et al. 1976b; Poisson et al. (1980)

Line 17 reference added to read

equation of state of seawater (Millero and Poisson, 1981)

Line 21 unit added to read

(0 to 70  $\text{g kg}^{-1}$ )

Introduction

Line 11 unit added to read

$\sigma = 0.0035 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ )

2 Experimental methods

Line 2 corrected to read

Both waters have low nutrient concentrations and had densities that agreed at similar salinities to  $\pm 0.003 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ )

Line 15 insert sentence after 40°C to read

The measurements at temperatures above 50°C have an estimated uncertainty of  $\pm 0.006 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  based on repeat measurements of the same sample.

Line 17 insert sentence after (Spieweck and Bettin, 1992). These are the densities that are used by the densimeter. Since we use the system to measure the relative densities ( $\rho - \rho^0$ ), the water values used do not affect our results.

3 Results and discussion

Line 22 unit added to read 4 to 50  $\text{g kg}^{-1}$

Line 23 unit added to read to 70  $\text{g kg}^{-1}$

Sentence corrected to read

This is similar to the errors in the repeat density measurements ( $\pm 0.003 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ ) on the same sample and indicates that the salinities calculated by conductivity (S) and

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Chlorinity ( $S_{Cl}$ ) are in agreement to  $\pm 0.004 \text{ g kg}^{-1}$

Equation (5) has been rewritten to be unitless in the salinity dependence Equation (5a) term to read

$A/(\text{g kg}^{-1})$

Equation (5b) term to read

$B/(\text{g kg}^{-1})^{-5}$

Equation (5c) term to read

$C/(\text{g kg}^{-1})^2$

Delete the sentence

Somewhat larger errors occur at high temperature and low salinity.

Next sentence add term

$S_A \text{ g kg}^{-1}$

Add the following sentence to the end of the Acknowledgement

The manuscript was improved due to the helpful comments of R.A. Feistel and a number of anonymous reviewers.

Corrections Table 1. Summary of the 1 atm density measurements made on seawater.

Std Error column the unit should read  $\text{kg m}^{-3}$

Corrected Table 2. The coefficients for the densities measured in this study fitted to equation (2).

In last line the Std. Err. Fit unit should read  $\text{kg m}^{-3}$

Corrected Table 3. The coefficients for the densities measured in this study and literature data (Millero et al., 1976; Poisson and Brunet, 1980) fitted to equation (2).

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