

Answer to Question #50279, Math

The cooling system of Ennio's car contains 7.5 L of coolant, which is $\frac{100}{3}$ % antifreeze. How much of this solution must be drained from the system and replaced with 100% antifreeze so that the solution in the cooling system will contain 50% antifreeze?

Answer.

Let x be the volume of the drained and replaced solution, then:

$$(7.5 - x) * \frac{1}{3} + x * 1 = 7.5 * 0.5 \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}x = 3.75 - 2.5 \rightarrow x = 1.875 L.$$

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