

APPENDIX

UNITS, CONSTANTS, AND CONVERSION FACTORS

THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM OF UNITS (SI)¹

Table A-1. SI base units.

Name	Symbol	Definition
meter	m	"The meter is the length equal to 1 650 763.73 wavelengths in vacuum of the radiation corresponding to the transition between the levels $2p_{10}$ and $5d_5$ of the krypton-86 atom."
kilogram	kg	"The kilogram is the unit of mass; it is equal to the mass of the international prototype of the kilogram [a cylinder of platinum-iridium]."
second	s	"The second is the duration of 9 192 631 770 periods of the radiation corresponding to the transition between the two hyperfine levels of the ground state of the cesium-133 atom."
ampere	A	"The ampere is the constant current which, if maintained in two straight parallel conductors of infinite length, of negligible circular cross section, and placed 1 meter apart in vacuum, would produce between these conductors a force equal to 2×10^{-7} newton per meter of length."
kelvin	K	"The kelvin is the fraction 1/273.16 of the thermodynamic temperature of the triple point of water." The "degree Celsius" is defined by the equation $t = T - T_0$, where T is the thermodynamic temperature in kelvins and $T_0 = 273.15$ K.
mole	mol	"The mole is the amount of substance of a system which contains as many elementary entities as there are atoms in 0.012 kilogram of carbon 12."
candela	cd	"The candela is the luminous intensity, in a given direction, of a source that emits monochromatic radiation of frequency 540×10^{12} hertz and that has a radiant intensity in that direction of 1/683 watt per steradian."

Table A-2. SI derived units.

Name	Symbol (dimensions)	Definition	Value in cgs units ^a
Absorbed dose	Gy ($\text{m} \cdot \text{s}^{-2}$)	The <i>gray</i> is the absorbed dose when the energy per unit mass imparted to matter by ionizing radiation is one joule per kilogram. (The gray is also used for the ionizing radiation quantities: specific energy imparted, kerma, and absorbed dose index, which have the SI unit joule per kilogram.) $1 \text{ rad} = 10^{-2} \text{ Gy}$.	10^4 ergs/gm
Activity	Bq (s^{-1})	The <i>becquerel</i> is the activity of a radionuclide decaying at the rate of one spontaneous nuclear transition per second. $1 \text{ Ci (curie)} = 3.7 \times 10^{10} \text{ Bq}$.	1 sec^{-1}
Dose equivalent	Sv ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-2}$)	The <i>sievert</i> is the dose equivalent when the absorbed dose of ionizing radiation multiplied by the dimensionless factors Q (quality factor) and N (product of any other multiplying factors) stipulated by the International Commission on Radiological Protection is one joule per kilogram.	10^4 ergs/gm
Electric capacitance	F ($\text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^4 \cdot \text{A}^2$)	The <i>farad</i> is the capacitance of a capacitor between the plates of which there appears a difference of potential of one volt when it is charged by a quantity of electricity equal to one coulomb.	8.988×10^{11} esu
Electric conductance	S ($\text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^3 \cdot \text{A}^2$)	The <i>siemens</i> is the electric conductance of a conductor in which a current of one ampere is produced by an electric potential difference of one volt.	8.988×10^{11} esu (cm/sec)

1. From *Physics Vade Mecum*, edited by H.L. Anderson, American Institute of Physics, New York, 1981.

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Table A-2 (continued)

Name	Symbol (dimensions)	Definition	Value in cgs units ^a
Electric inductance	H (m ² .kg.s ⁻² .A ⁻²)	The <i>henry</i> is the inductance of a closed circuit in which an electromotive force of one volt is produced when the electric current in the circuit varies uniformly at a rate of one ampere per second.	10 ⁹ emu (cm)
Electric potential difference, electro-motive	V (m ² .kg.s ⁻² .A ⁻¹)	The <i>volt</i> (unit of electric potential difference and electromotive force) is the difference of electric potential between two points of a conductor carrying a constant current of one ampere, when the power dissipated between these points is equal to one watt.	(1/2.998) × 10 ⁻² esu (cm ^{1/2} .gm ^{1/2} .sec ⁻¹)
Electric resistance	Ω (m ² .kg.s ⁻³ .A ⁻²)	The <i>ohm</i> is the electric resistance between two points of a conductor when a constant difference of potential of one volt, applied between these two points, produces in this conductor a current of one ampere, this conductor not being the source of any electromotive force.	(1/8.988) × 10 ⁻¹¹ esu (cm ⁻¹ .sec)
Energy	J (m ² .kg.s ⁻²)	The <i>joule</i> is the work done when the point of application of a force of one newton is displaced a distance of one meter in the direction of the force.	10 ⁷ ergs (cm ² .gm.sec ⁻²)
Force	N (m.kg.s ⁻²)	The <i>newton</i> is that force which, when applied to a body having a mass of one kilogram, gives it an acceleration of one meter per second squared.	10 ⁵ dyn (cm.gm.sec ⁻²)
Frequency	Hz (s ⁻¹)	The <i>hertz</i> is the frequency of a periodic phenomenon of which the period is one second.	cycles/sec (sec ⁻¹)
Illuminance	lx (cd.sr.m ⁻²)	The <i>lux</i> is the illuminance produced by a luminous flux of one lumen uniformly distributed over a surface of one square meter.	
Luminous flux	lm (cd.sr)	The <i>lumen</i> is the luminous flux emitted in a solid angle of one steradian by a point source having a uniform intensity of one candela.	
Magnetic flux	Wb (m ² .kg.s ⁻² .A ⁻¹)	The <i>weber</i> is the magnetic flux which, linking a circuit of one turn, produces in it an electromotive force of one volt as it is reduced to zero at a uniform rate in one second.	10 ⁸ Mx (cm ^{3/2} .gm ^{1/2} .sec ⁻¹)
Magnetic flux density	T (kg.s ⁻² .A ⁻¹)	The <i>tesla</i> is the magnetic flux density given by a magnetic flux of one weber per square meter.	10 ⁴ Gs (cm ^{-1/2} .gm ^{1/2} .sec ⁻¹)
Power	W (m ² .kg.s ⁻³)	The <i>watt</i> is the power which gives rise to the production of energy at the rate of one joule per second.	10 ⁷ ergs/sec (cm ² .gm.sec ⁻²)
Pressure or stress	Pa (m ⁻¹ .kg.s ⁻²)	The <i>pascal</i> is the pressure or stress of one newton per square meter.	10 dyn/cm ² (cm ⁻¹ .gm.sec ⁻²)
Quantity of electricity	C	The <i>coulomb</i> is the quantity of electricity transported in one second by a current of one ampere.	2.998 × 10 ⁹ esu (cm ^{3/2} .gm ^{1/2} .sec ⁻¹)

^aFor more precise work use 2.997 924 58 for 2.998 and 8.987 551 79 for 8.988.

Table A-3. SI prefixes.

Factor	Prefix	Symbol	Factor	Prefix	Symbol
10 ¹⁸	exa	E	10 ¹		
10 ¹⁵	peta	P	10 ²	deci	d
10 ¹²	tera	T	10 ³	centi	c
10 ⁹	giga	G	10 ⁶	milli	m
10 ⁶	mega	M	10 ⁹	micro	μ
10 ³	kilo	k	10 ⁻¹²	nano	n
10 ²	hecto	h	10 ⁻¹⁵	pico	p
10 ¹	deka	da	10 ⁻¹⁸	femto	f
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Table A-4. Conversion to SI units.

1. Acceleration

The gal is a special unit employed in geodesy and geophysics to express the acceleration due to gravity.

1 ft/s ²	= 0.30480* m/s ²	1 gal	= 0.01000* m/s ²
Standard gravity (<i>g</i>)	= 9.8067 m/s ²	Sun's surface	= 274.0 m/s ²
		1 AU from Sun	= 0.005931 m/s ²

2. Angle

1 degree (°)	= 1.7453 × 10 ⁻² rad	1 second (")	= 4.8481 × 10 ⁻⁶ rad
1 minute (')	= 2.9089 × 10 ⁻⁴ rad		

3. Area

The darcy is a unit for measuring the permeability of porous solids.

1 acre	= 4046.9 m ²	1 in. ²	= 6.4516* × 10 ⁻⁴ m ²
1 are	= 100.00* m ²	1 square mille (international)	= 2.5900 × 10 ⁶ m ²
1 barn (b)	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻²⁸ m ²	1 square mile (statute) ¹	= 2.5900 × 10 ⁶ m ²
1 circular mil	= 5.0671 × 10 ⁻¹⁰ m ²	1 square (building)	= 9.2903 m ²
1 darcy	= 9.8692 × 10 ⁻¹³ m ²	1 square rod (rd ²), square pole, or square perch	= 25.293 m ²
1 ft ²	= 0.092 903 m ²	1 square yard (yd ²)	= 0.83613 m ²
1 hectare	= 10 000* m ²		

4. Density

1 grain/gal (U.S. liquid)	= 0.017118 kg/m ³	1 ton (short)/yd ³	= 1186.6 kg/m ³
1 oz (avoirdupois)/in. ³	= 1730.0 kg/m ³	Density of water (4°C)	= 999.97 kg/m ³
1 lb/ft ³	= 16.018 kg/m ³	Density of mercury (0°C)	= 13595 kg/m ³
1 lb/in. ³	= 27680 kg/m ³	Solar mass/cubic parsec	= 6.770 × 10 ⁻²⁹ kg/m ³
1 lb/gal (U.S. liquid)	= 119.83 kg/m ³	STP gas density for molecular weight <i>M</i> ₀	= 0.044615 <i>M</i> ₀ kg/m ³
1 ton (long)/yd ³	= 1328.9 kg/m ³		

5. Electricity and magnetism

A = ampere, C = coulomb, F = farad, H = henry, Ω = ohm, S = siemens, V = volt, T = tesla, Wb = weber, * = exact value.

1 abampere	= 10.000* A	1 ohm centimeter	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻² Ω·m
1 abcoulomb	= 10.000* C	1 ohm circular-mil per foot	= 1.6624 × 10 ⁻⁹ Ω·m
1 abfarad	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁹ F	1 statampere	= 3.3356 × 10 ⁻¹⁰ A
1 abhenry	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻⁹ H	1 statcoulomb	= 3.3356 × 10 ⁻¹⁰ C
1 abmho	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁹ S	1 statfarad	= 1.1127 × 10 ⁻¹² F
1 abohm	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻⁹ Ω	1 stathenry	= 8.9876 × 10 ¹¹ H
1 abvolt	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻⁸ V	1 statmho	= 1.1127 × 10 ⁻¹² S
1 ampere hour	= 3600* C	1 statohm	= 8.9876 × 10 ¹¹ Ω
1 emu of capacitance	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁸ F	1 statvolt	= 299.79 V
1 emu of current	= 10.000* A	1 unit pole	= 1.2566 × 10 ⁻⁷ Wb
1 emu of electric potential	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻⁸ V	Potential of electron at 1st Bohr orbit	= 27.212 V
1 emu of inductance	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻⁹ H	Ionization potential from 1st Bohr orbit	= 13.606 V
1 emu of resistance	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻⁹ Ω	Nuclear electric field at 1st Bohr orbit	= 5.140 × 10 ¹¹ V/m
1 esu of capacitance	= 1.1127 × 10 ⁻¹² F	Current in 1st Bohr orbit	= 1.054 × 10 ⁻³ A
1 esu of current	= 3.3356 × 10 ⁻¹⁰ A	Dipole moment of nucleus and electron in 1st Bohr orbit	= 0.8478 × 10 ⁻²⁹ C·m
1 esu of electric potential	= 2.9979 × 10 ² V	Magnetic field, atomic unit Field at nucleus due to electron in 1st Bohr orbit	= 9.9551 × 10 ⁶ A/m
1 esu of inductance	= 8.9876 × 10 ¹¹ H	Magnetic moment, atomic unit	= 2.542 × 10 ⁻²¹ J/T
1 esu of resistance	= 8.9876 × 10 ¹¹ Ω	Earth magnetic moment	= 7.98 × 10 ²² J/T
1 faraday (based on ¹² C)	= 9.6487 × 10 ⁴ C		
1 faraday (chemical)	= 9.6496 × 10 ⁴ C		
1 faraday (physical)	= 9.6522 × 10 ⁴ C		
1 gamma	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻⁹ T		
1 gauss	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻⁴ T		
1 gilbert	= 7.9577 × 10 ⁻¹ A (amp. turns)		
1 maxwell	= 1.0000* × 10 ⁻⁸ Wb		
1 mho	= 1.0000* S		
1 oersted	= 79.577 A/m		

6. Energy

Btu = British thermal unit (thermochemical), 1 Btu (International Table) = 1.000 67 Btu (thermochemical); cal = calorie (thermochemical), 1 cal (International Table) = 1.000 67 cal (thermochemical); J = joule; W = watt.

1 Btu	= 1054.4 J	1 foot-poundal	= 0.042140 J
1 Btu (mean)	= 1055.9 J	1 kilowatt hour (kW·h)	= 3.6000* × 10 ⁶ J
1 Btu (39°F)	= 1059.7 J	1 therm	= 1.0551 × 10 ⁸ J

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1 Btu (60°F)	= 1054.7 J	1 ton (nuclear equivalent of TNT)	= 4.184×10^9 J
1 calorie	= 4.1840^* J	1 watt hour (W·h)	= 3600^* J
1 calorie (mean)	= 4.1900 J	1 watt second (W·s)	= 1.0000^* J
1 calorie (15°C)	= 4.1858 J	Energy of unit wave number (hc)	= 1.9865×10^{-25} J
1 calorie (20°C)	= 4.1819 J	Mass energy of unit atomic weight	= 1.4924×10^{-10} J
1 kilocalorie	= 4184.0^* J		
1 electron volt (eV)	= 1.6022×10^{-19} J		
1 erg	= $1.0000^* \times 10^{-7}$ J		
1 foot-pound (ft·lbf)	= 1.3558 J		

Note: 1 quad = 10^{15} Btu

1 quad per year = 0.472 million barrels of oil per day (1 barrel = 42 gallons)
 = 1 trillion cubic feet of gas per year
 = 44.4 million tons of coal per year (for medium heating value coal at 22.5 Btu/ton)
 = 33.4 million kilowatts of electricity
 = 293 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity per year at 100% efficiency
 = 95.2 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity per year at 32.5% efficiency

See Chaps. 10.00 (Energy Demand) and 11.00 (Energy Supply).

7. Force

1 dyne	= $1.0000^* \times 10^{-5}$ N	1 lbf/lb (thrust/weight [mass] ratio)	= 9.8067 N
1 kilogram-force	= 9.8067 N	1 poundal	= 0.13825 N
1 kip (1000 lbf)	= 4448.2 N	1 ton-force (2000 lbf)	= 8896.4 N
1 ounce-force	= 0.27801 N	Proton-electron attraction at distance a_0	= 8.238×10^{-8} N
1 pound-force (lbf)	= 4.4482 N		

8. Frequency

1 hertz (Hz)	= 1 cycle/s	Frequency of free electron in magnetic field H	= $2.7993 \times 10^{10} H$ Hz·T ⁻¹
1 kayser	= 3×10^{10} Hz	Plasma frequency associated with electron density N_e	= $8.979 N_e^{1/2}$ Hz (N_e in m ⁻³)
Rydberg frequency (cR_∞)	= 3.2898×10^{15} Hz		
Frequency of 1st Bohr orbit ($2cR_\infty$)	= 6.5797×10^{15} Hz		

9. Heat

Btu = British thermal unit (thermochemical), 1 Btu (International Table) = 1.000 67 Btu (thermochemical); cal = calorie (thermochemical), 1 cal (International Table) = 1.000 67 cal (thermochemical); J = joule, K = kelvin; W = watt; h = hour.

Thermal conductivity k :		1 Btu·in./s·ft ² ·°F	= 518.87 W/m·K
1 Btu·ft/h·ft ² ·°F	= 1.7296 W/m·K		
Thermal conductance C :			
1 Btu/h·ft ² ·°F	= 5.6745 W/m ² ·K		
Heat capacity:			
1 Btu/lb·°F	= 4184.0* J/kg·K	1 cal/s	= 4.1840* W
1 cal/g·°C	= 4184.0* J/kg·K		
Thermal resistance R :		Thermal resistivity:	
1 °F·h·ft ² /Btu	= 0.176 23 K·m ² /W	1 °F·h·ft ² /Btu·in.	= 6.9381 K·m/W
1 clo	= 0.20037 K·m ² /W		
Thermal diffusivity:			
1 ft ² /h	= 2.5806×10^{-5} m ² /s		

10. Length

1 angstrom (Å)	= $1.0000^* \times 10^{-10}$ m	1 microinch	= $2.5400^* \times 10^{-6}$ m
1 atomic unit (a_0)	= $0.529 18 \times 10^{-10}$ m	1 micron (μ m)	= $1.0000^* \times 10^{-6}$ m
1 astronomical unit (AU)	= 1.4960×10^{11} m	1 mil	= $2.5400^* \times 10^{-5}$ m
1 cable's length	= 219 m	1 mile (int. nautical)	= 1852.0* m
1 chain	= 20.117 m	1 mile (U.S. nautical)	= 1852.0* m
1 electron radius (r_e)	= 2.818×10^{-15} m	1 mile (international)	= 1609.3 m
1 fathom	= 1.8288 m	1 mile (U.S. statute)	= 1609.3 m
1 fermi (femtometer) (fm)	= $1.0000^* \times 10^{-15}$ m	1 parsec (pc)	= 3.0857×10^{16} m
1 foot (ft)	= 0.30480* m	1 pica (printer's)	= 4.2175×10^{-3} m
1 foot (U.S. survey)	= 0.30480 m	1 point (printer's)	= 3.5146×10^{-4} m
1 furlong	= 201.17 m	1 rod	= 5.0292 m
1 hand	= 0.10160 m	1 solar radius (R_\odot)	= 6.960×10^8 m
1 inch (in.)	= 0.02540* m	Wavelength of 1-eV photon (hc/eV)	= 1.2399×10^{-6} m
1 league (land)	= 4828 m		

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1 light year (ly)	= 9.4606×10^{15} m	1 x unit	= 1.002×10^{-13} m
1 link (Gunther's or surveyors')	= 0.20117 m	1 yard	= 0.91440^* m
11. Light			
cd = candela, lm = lumen, [1 lumen = flux from $(1/60\pi)$ cm ² of blackbody at 2044K], lx = lux.			
1 apostilb	= 1 lm/m ² for perfectly diffusing surface	1 lambert	= 3183.1 cd/m ²
1 cd/in. ²	= 1550.0 cd/m ²	1 lumen of maximum-visibility radiation (5550 Å)	= 1.470×10^{-3} W
1 foot-candle	= 10.764 lx	1 stilb (sb)	= 10 000* cd/m ²
1 foot-lambert	= 3.4263 cd/m ²	1 phot	= 10 000* lx
12. Mass			
1 atomic unit (electron) (m_e)	= 9.1095×10^{-34} kg	1 ounce (avoirdupois)	= 2.8350×10^{-2} kg
1 atomic mass unit (¹² C scale) (amu)	= $1.660 57 \times 10^{-27}$ kg	1 ounce (troy or apothecary)	= 3.1103×10^{-2} kg
1 carat (metric)	= $2.0000^* \times 10^{-4}$ kg	1 pennyweight (troy)	= 1.5552×10^{-3} kg
1 dram, apothecary	= 3.8879×10^{-3} kg	1 pound (lb avoirdupois)	= 0.45359 kg
1 dram, avoirdupois	= 1.7718×10^{-3} kg	1 pound (troy or apothecary)	= 0.37324 kg
1 gamma	= $1.0000^* \times 10^{-9}$ kg	1 quintal (q)	= 100.00 kg
1 grain	= 6.4799×10^{-5} kg	1 scruple	= 1.2960×10^{-3} kg
1 hundredweight (gross or long)	= 50.802 kg	1 slug	= 14.594 kg
1 hundred weight (net or short)	= 45.359 kg	1 ton (assay)	= 0.029167 kg
1 kgf·s ² /m	= 9.8067 kg	1 ton (long, 2240 lb)	= 1016.0 kg
		1 ton (short, 2000 lb)	= 907.18 kg
		1 ton (metric ton)	= 1.0000* kg
13. Mass per unit length			
1 denier	= 1.1111×10^{-7} kg/m	1 tex	= $1.0000^* \times 10^{-6}$ kg/m
14. Mass per unit time			
1 perm (0°C)	= 5.7214×10^{-11} kg/Pa·s·m ²	1 lb/hp·h	= 1.6897×10^{-7} kg/J
1 perm-in. (0°C)	= 1.4532×10^{-12} kg/Pa·s·m	1 ton (short)/h	= 0.25200 kg/s
1 lb/h	= 1.2600×10^{-4} kg/s		
15. Power			
1 Btu (int.)/h	= 0.29307 W	1 horsepower (boiler)	= 9809.5 W
1 Btu (int.)/s	= 1055.1 W	1 horsepower (electric)	= 746.00* W
1 Btu (thermochem.)/h	= 0.292 88 W	1 horsepower (metric)	= 735.50 W
1 cal (thermochem.)/s	= 4.1840* W	1 horsepower (water)	= 746.04 W
1 force de cheval	= 735.5 W	1 horsepower (U.K.)	= 745.70 W
1 erg/s	= $1.0000^* \times 10^{-7}$ W	1 ton (refrigeration)	= 3516.8 W
1 ft·lbf/h	= 3.7662×10^{-4} W	Star, $M_{bol} = 0$ radiation	= 2.97×10^{28} W
1 horsepower (550 ft·lbf/s)	= 745.70 W	Solar luminosity	= 3.826×10^{26} W
16. Pressure or stress (force per unit area)			
1 atmosphere (standard)	= 101 325* Pa	1 inch of water (39.2°F)	= 249.08 Pa
1 atmosphere (technical = 1 kgf/cm ²)	= 98 066.5* Pa	1 kgf/cm ²	= 98 066.5* Pa
1 bar	= 100 000* Pa	1 kip/in. ² (ksi)	= 6.8948×10^6 Pa
1 cm Hg(0°C)	= 1333.2 Pa	1 millibar	= 100.00* Pa
1 centimeter of water (4°C)	= 98.064 Pa	1 newton/cm ²	= 10000* Pa
1 dyne/cm ²	= 0.100 00* Pa	1 poundal/ft ²	= 1.4882 Pa
1 foot of water (39.2°F)	= 2989.0 Pa	1 lbf/ft ²	= 47.880 Pa
1 gf/cm ²	= 98.0665* Pa	1 lbf/in. ² (psi)	= 6894.8 Pa
1 inch of mercury (32°F)	= 3386.4 Pa	1 torr (mm Hg, 0°C)	= 133.32 Pa
17. Temperature			
Degree Celsius	$T_K = t_C + 273.15$	Triple point of natural water	= 273.16 K
Degree Fahrenheit	$t_C = (t_F - 32)/1.8$	Elementary temperature ($ch/r_o k$)	= 8.1262×10^{11} K
Degree Fahrenheit	$T_K = (t_F + 459.67)/1.8$	Temperature of 1 eV	= 11 605 K
Degree Rankine	$T_K = T_R/1.8$		
Kelvin	$t_C = T_K - 273.15$		
18. Time			
1 day	= 86400* s	1 year (sidereal)	= 3.1558×10^7 s
1 day (sidereal)	= 86164 s	1 year (tropical)	= 3.1557×10^7 s
1 hour	= 3600.0* s	1 atomic second (s_A)	= 9192631770
1 hour (sidereal)	= 3590.2 s		¹³³ Cs cycles

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1 minute	= 60.000* s	1 atomic unit (1st Bohr orbit/2 π) (τ_0)	= 2.4189 $\times 10^{-17}$ s
1 second (sidereal)	= 0.99727 s	Jordan's elementary time (r_0/c)	= 9.3996 $\times 10^{-24}$ s
1 year (365 days)	= 3.1536* $\times 10^7$ s		
19. Torque			
1 dyne-cm	= 1.0000* $\times 10^{-7}$ N-m	1 lbf-in.	= 0.11298 N-m
1 kgf-m	= 9.8067 N-m	1 lbf-ft	= 1.3558 N-m
1 ozf-in.	= 0.0070616 N-m		
20. Velocity			
1 ft/s	= 0.30480* m/s	1 AU per year	= 4.7406 km/s
1 in./s	= 0.02540* m/s	1 parsec per year	= 9.7781 $\times 10^6$ m/s
1 km/h	= 0.27778 m/s	Electron in Bohr orbit	= 2.1877 $\times 10^6$ m/s
1 knot (international)	= 0.51444 m/s	1-eV electron	= 5.9309 $\times 10^5$ m/s
1 mi/h (international)	= 0.44704* m/s	Angular velocity of Earth on its axis	= 7.2921 $\times 10^{-5}$ rad/s
1 mi/s (international)	= 1609.3 m/s	Mean angular velocity of Earth in its orbit	= 1.9910 $\times 10^{-7}$ rad/s
1 mi/h (international)	= 1.6093 km/h		
Velocity of light (c)	= 2.9979 $\times 10^8$ m/s		
21. Viscosity			
1 centipoise	= 1.0000* $\times 10^{-3}$ Pa-s	1 lb/ft-s	= 1.4882 Pa-s
1 centistokes	= 1.0000* $\times 10^{-6}$ m ² /s	1 lbf-s/ft ²	= 47.880 Pa-s
1 ft ² /s	= 0.092030 m ² /s	1 lbf-s/in. ²	= 6894.8 Pa-s
1 poise	= 0.10000* Pa-s	1 rhe	= 10.000* (Pa-s) ⁻¹
1 poundal-s/ft ²	= 1.4882 Pa-s	1 slug/ft-s	= 47.880 Pa-s
1 lb/ft-h	= 4.1338 $\times 10^{-4}$ Pa-s	1 stokes	= 1.0000* $\times 10^{-4}$ m ² /s
22. Volume			
1 acre-foot	= 1233.5 m ³	1 ft ³	= 0.028 317 m ³
1 barrel (oil, 42 gal)	= 0.15899 m ³	1 gallon (Canadian liquid)	= 4.5461 $\times 10^{-3}$ m ³
1 barrel (bbl), liquid	= 31 to 42 gallons	1 gallon (U.K. liquid)	= 4.5461 $\times 10^{-3}$ m ³
1 barrel (bbl), standard for fruits, vegetables, and other dry commodities except cranberries	= 7056 cubic inches = 105 dry quarts = 3.281 bushels, struck measure	1 gallon (U.S. dry)	= 4.4049 $\times 10^{-3}$ m ³
1 barrel (bbl), standard, cranberry	= 5826 cubic inches = 86 $\frac{3}{4}$ dry quarts = 2.709 bushels, struck measure	1 gallon (U.S. liquid)	= 3.7854 $\times 10^{-3}$ m ³
1 board foot	= 2.3597 $\times 10^{-3}$ m ³	1 gill (U.K.)	= 1.4207 $\times 10^{-4}$ m ³
1 bushel (U.S.)	= 3.5239 $\times 10^{-2}$ m ³	1 gill (U.S.)	= 1.1829 $\times 10^{-4}$ m ³
1 bushel (bu), struck measure (U.S.)	= 2150.42* in. ³	1 in. ³	= 1.6387 $\times 10^{-5}$ m ³
1 bushel, heaped (U.S.)	= 1.278 bushels, struck measure	1 liter	= 1.0000* $\times 10^{-3}$ m ³
1 bushel (bu), struck measure (British Imperial)	= 1.032 U.S. bushels, struck measure	1 ounce (U.K. fluid)	= 2.8413 $\times 10^{-5}$ m ³
1 cord (cd) (firewood)	= 128* ft ³	1 ounce (U.S. fluid)	= 2.9574 $\times 10^{-5}$ m ³
1 cup (measuring)	= 2.3659 $\times 10^{-4}$ m ³	1 cubic parsec	= 2.9380 $\times 10^{49}$ m ³
1 dram (U.S. fluid)	= 3.6967 $\times 10^{-6}$ m ³	1 peck (U.S.)	= 8.8098 $\times 10^{-3}$ m ³
1 drachm (U.K. fluid)	= 3.5516 $\times 10^{-6}$ m ³	1 pint (U.S. dry)	= 5.5061 $\times 10^{-4}$ m ³
1 fluid ounce (U.S.)	= 2.9574 $\times 10^{-5}$ m ³	1 pint (U.S. liquid)	= 4.7318 $\times 10^{-4}$ m ³
		1 quart (U.S. dry)	= 1.1012 $\times 10^{-3}$ m ³
		1 quart (U.S. liquid)	= 9.4635 $\times 10^{-4}$ m ³
		1 stere	= 1.0000* m ³
		Solar volume (4 $\pi R_{\odot}^3/3$)	= 1.4122 $\times 10^{27}$ m ³
		1 tablespoon	= 1.4787 $\times 10^{-5}$ m ³
		1 teaspoon	= 4.9289 $\times 10^{-6}$ m ³
		1 ton (register)	= 2.8317 m ³
		1 yd ³	= 0.764 55 m ³

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Table A-5. Precise physical constants.¹

Quantity	Symbol (expression)	Value in SI (cgs) units	Error (ppm)
1. Speed of light in vacuum	c	$2.997\,924\,58 \times 10^8 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ ($10^{10} \text{ cm}\cdot\text{sec}^{-1}$)	0.004
2. Elementary charge	e	$1.602\,189\,2 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ (10^{20} emu) ($4.803\,242 \times 10^{-10} \text{ esu}$)	2.9 2.9
3. Planck's constant	h $\hbar = h/2\pi$	$6.626\,176 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$ ($10^{27} \text{ erg}\cdot\text{sec}$) $1.054\,588\,7 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$ ($10^{27} \text{ erg}\cdot\text{sec}$)	5.4 5.4
4. Electron rest mass	m_e	$0.910\,953\,4 \times 10^{-30} \text{ kg}$ (10^{27} gm)	5.1
5. Avogadro constant	N_A	$6.022\,045 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ (10^{23} mol^{-1})	5.1
6. Molar gas constant	R	$8.314\,471 \times 10^3 \text{ J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ ($10^7 \text{ erg}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$)	1.0
7. Boltzmann constant	$k = R/N_A$	$1.380\,662 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ ($10^{-16} \text{ erg}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$)	31
8. Gravitational constant	G	$6.672\,0 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2\cdot\text{kg}^{-2}$ ($10^{-8} \text{ dyn}\cdot\text{cm}^2\cdot\text{gm}^{-2}$)	615
9. Molar volume (273.15 °K, $p_0 = 1 \text{ atm}$)	$V_m = RT_0/p_0$	$22.413\,83 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ ($10^3 \text{ cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$)	31
10. Faraday constant	$F = N_A e$	$9.648\,456 \times 10^4 \text{ C}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ ($10^3 \text{ emu}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$)	2.8
11. Rydberg constant	$R_\infty = [4\pi\epsilon_0]^{-2}(m_e e^4/4\pi\hbar^3 c)$	$1.097\,373\,177 \times 10^7 \text{ m}^{-1}$ (10^6 cm^{-1})	0.07
recent value		$1.097\,373\,147\,6 \times 10^7 \text{ m}^{-1}$ (10^6 cm^{-1})	0.0003
12. Fine structure constant	$\alpha^{-1} = [4\pi\epsilon_0](\hbar c/e^2)$	137.036 04	0.11
recent value		137.035 963	
13. Classical electron radius	$r_e = [4\pi\epsilon_0]^{-1}(e^2/m_e c^2)$	$2.817\,938\,0 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m}$ (10^{-13} cm)	2.5
14. Specific electron charge	e/m_e	$1.758\,804\,7 \times 10^{11} \text{ C}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$ ($10^7 \text{ emu}\cdot\text{gm}^{-1}$)	2.8
15. Electron Compton wavelength	$\lambda_c = \hbar/m_e c = \alpha^{-1} r_e$	$3.861\,590\,5 \times 10^{-13} \text{ m}$ (10^{-11} cm)	1.6
16. Bohr radius	$a_0 = \alpha^{-2} r_e$	$0.529\,177\,06 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ (10^{-8} cm)	0.82
17. Magnetic flux quantum	$\Phi_0 = [c]^{-1}(\hbar c/2e)$ \hbar/e	$2.067\,850\,6 \times 10^{-15} \text{ T}\cdot\text{m}^2$ ($10^{-7} \text{ Gs}\cdot\text{cm}^2$) $4.135\,701 \times 10^{-15} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}\cdot\text{C}^{-1}$ ($10^{-7} \text{ erg}\cdot\text{sec}\cdot\text{emu}^{-1}$)	2.6 2.6
18. Quantum of circulation	$h/2m_e$	$3.636\,945\,5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ J}\cdot\text{Hz}^{-1}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$ ($10^0 \text{ erg}\cdot\text{sec}\cdot\text{gm}^{-1}$)	1.6
19. Atomic mass unit	$1 \text{ u} = \text{gm}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}/N_A$	$1.660\,565\,5 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ (10^{-24} gm)	5.1
20. Proton rest mass	m_p	$1.672\,648\,5 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ (10^{-24} gm)	5.1
		$1.007\,276\,470 \text{ u}$ (amu)	0.011
	m_p/m_e	1836.151 52	0.38
21. Neutron rest mass	m_n	$1.674\,954\,3 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ (10^{-24} gm)	5.1
		$1.008\,665\,012 \text{ u}$ (amu)	0.037
22. Electron g factor	$\frac{1}{2}g_e = \mu_e/\mu_B$	1.001 159 656 7	0.0035
recent value		1.001 159 652 200	0.0004
23. Bohr magneton	$\mu_B = [c](e\hbar/2m_e c)$	$9.274\,078 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J}\cdot\text{T}^{-1}$ ($10^{-21} \text{ erg}\cdot\text{Gs}^{-1}$)	3.9
24. Nuclear magneton	$\mu_N = [c](e\hbar/2m_p c)$	$5.050\,824 \times 10^{-27} \text{ J}\cdot\text{T}^{-1}$ ($10^{-24} \text{ erg}\cdot\text{Gs}^{-1}$)	3.9
25. Electron magnetic moment	μ_e	$9.284\,832 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J}\cdot\text{T}^{-1}$ ($10^{-21} \text{ erg}\cdot\text{Gs}^{-1}$)	3.9
26. Proton magnetic moment	μ_p	$1.410\,617 \times 10^{-26} \text{ J}\cdot\text{T}^{-1}$ ($10^{-23} \text{ erg}\cdot\text{Gs}^{-1}$)	3.9
	μ_e/μ_p	658.210 688 0	0.010
27. Proton gyromagnetic ratio	γ_p	$2.675\,198\,7 \times 10^8 \text{ rad}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}\cdot\text{T}^{-1}$ ($10^4 \text{ rad}\cdot\text{sec}^{-1}\cdot\text{Gs}^{-1}$)	2.8
28. Stefan-Boltzmann constant	$\sigma = (\pi^2/60)k^4/\hbar^3 c^2$	$5.670\,32 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\cdot\text{K}^{-4}$ ($10^{-5} \text{ erg}\cdot\text{sec}^{-1}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2}\cdot\text{K}^{-4}$)	125
29. First radiation constant	$c_1 = 2\pi\hbar c^2$	$3.741\,832 \times 10^{-16} \text{ W}\cdot\text{m}^2$ ($10^{-5} \text{ erg}\cdot\text{sec}^{-1}\cdot\text{cm}^2$)	5.4
30. Second radiation constant	$c_2 = \hbar c/k$	$1.438\,786 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}\cdot\text{K}$ ($10^0 \text{ cm}\cdot\text{K}$)	31

Energy equivalents			
Quantity	Symbol (expression)	Value	Error (ppm)
Atomic mass unit	u	931.501 6 MeV	2.8
Proton mass	m_p	938.279 6 MeV	2.8
Neutron mass	m_n	939.573 1 MeV	2.8
Electron mass	m_e	0.511 003 4 MeV	2.8
Electron volt	$1 \text{ eV}/k$	11 604.50 K	31
	$1 \text{ eV}/\hbar c$	$8\,065.479 \text{ cm}^{-1}$	
	$1 \text{ eV}/h$	$2.417\,969\,6 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$	2.6
	1 eV	$1.602\,189\,2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ ergs}$	2.9
Planck's constant	\hbar	$6.582\,173 \times 10^{-22} \text{ MeV}\cdot\text{sec}$	2.6
	$\hbar c$	$1.973\,285\,8 \times 10^{-11} \text{ MeV}\cdot\text{cm}$	2.6
	$(\hbar c)^2$	$0.389\,385\,7 \text{ GeV}^2\cdot\text{mb}$	5.2
Rydberg constant	$R_\infty \hbar c$	$13.605\,804 \text{ eV}$	2.6
Voltage-wavelength product	$V\lambda$	$12\,398.520 \text{ eV}\cdot\text{\AA}$	2.6
Gas constant	R	$1.987\,19 \text{ cal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$	31

APPENDIX

Table A-6. Mathematical constants.¹

Constant	Number	Log
π	3.141 592 653 6	0.497 149 872 7
2π	6.283 185 307 2	0.798 179 868 4
4π	12.566 370 614 4	1.099 209 864 0
π^2	9.869 604 401 1	0.994 299 745 4
$\sqrt{\pi}$	1.772 453 850 9	0.248 574 936 3
e	2.718 281 828 5	0.434 294 481 9
$\text{mod} = M = \log e$	0.434 294 481 9	1.637 784 311 3
$1/M = \ln 10$	2.302 585 093 0	0.362 215 688 7
2	2.000 000 000 0	0.301 029 995 7
$\sqrt{2}$	1.414 213 562 4	0.150 514 997 8
$\sqrt{3}$	1.732 050 807 6	0.238 560 627 4
$\sqrt{10}$	3.162 277 660 2	0.500 000 000 0
$\ln \pi$	1.144 729 885 8	0.058 703 021 2
e^{-1}	23.140 692 632 8	1.364 376 353 8
Euler constant γ	0.577 215 664 9	1.761 338 108 8
1 radian	57°29'57.779 513 1	1.758 122 632 4
	3437'746 770 78	3.536 273 882 8
	206 264"806 25	5.314 425 133 2
1°	0'.017 453 292 5	2.241 877 367 6
1'	0".000 290 888 2	4.463 726 117 2
1"	0".000 004 848 1	6.685 574 866 8

Square degrees on a sphere = $129\,600/\pi = 41\,252.961\,24$
 Square degrees in a steradian = $32\,400/\pi^2 = 3282.806\,35$
 For Gaussian distribution $(1/\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})\exp(-x^2/2\sigma^2)$
 Probable error/standard error = $r/\sigma = 0.674\,489\,750\,2$
 Probable error/average error = $r/\eta = 0.845\,347\,539\,4$
 $\sigma/\eta = 1.253\,314\,137$, $\rho = (r/\sigma)/\sqrt{2} = 0.476\,936\,276\,2$

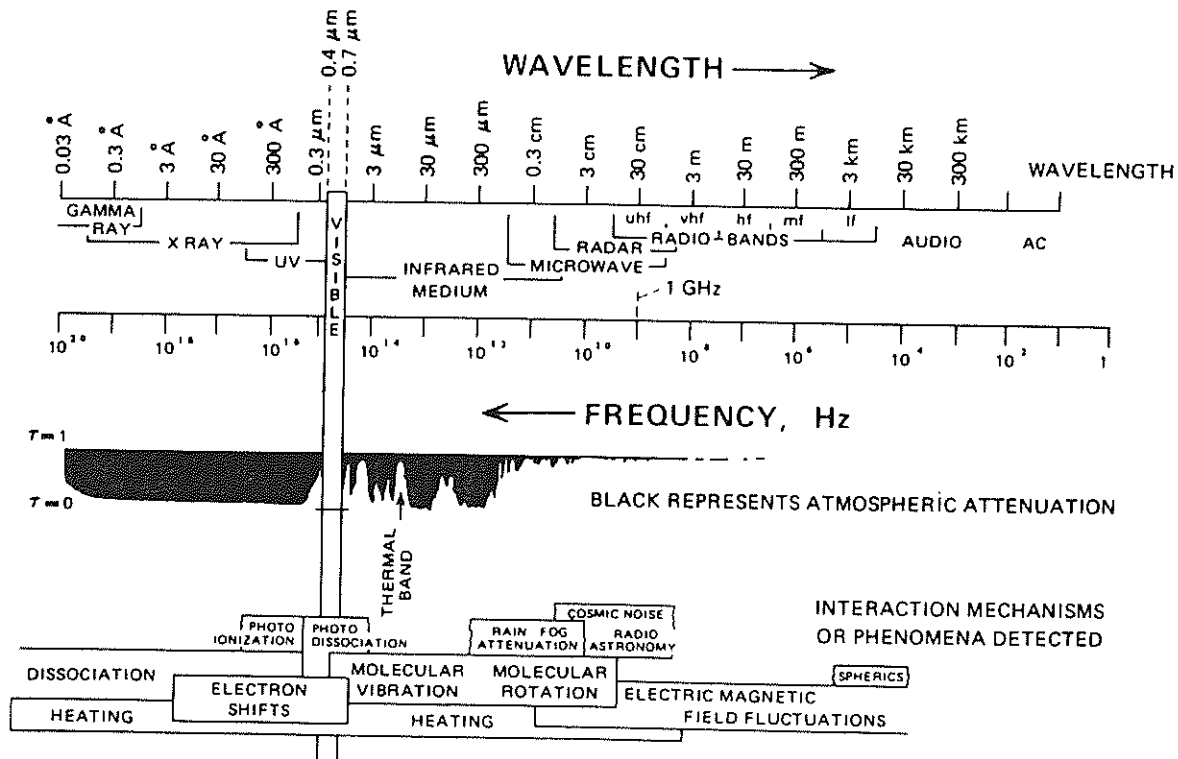


Figure A-1 Electromagnetic spectrum.¹