

# **UNITS AND CONVERSION FACTORS**

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# **NOTE:**

Many years ago I was given a copy of this document, prepared in handwriting, some time in the early 1960's. I did not know the author, E.J. Roschke. I have found it to be such a useful reference that I decided to have an electronic version prepared. Recently, I spoke with Dr. Roschke, now retired from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory to learn of the document's origin. In the early 1960's a group of research engineers, largely having backgrounds in mechanical engineering, were engaged in the new field of electric propulsion. They experienced practical annoyances with the mingling of units from mechanical engineering, electrical engineering and physics. That situation motivated Dr. Roschke to assemble this material.

Although I have carefully checked the values given here, it is quite possible that some typographical errors remain. I will appreciate learning any corrections that should be made.

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Additional Note on Use of Conversion Tables, Part VII.

Multiply units appearing in left-hand column by appropriate numerical factor to obtain units appearing in upper row.

## I. DECIMAL MULTIPLES AND SUB-MULTIPLES

Name	Symbol	Equivalent		Name	Symbol	Equivalent
tera	T	$10^{12}$		deci	d	$10^{-1}$
giga	G	$10^9$		centi	c	$10^{-2}$
mega	M	$10^6$		milli	m	$10^{-3}$
kilo	k	$10^3$		micro	$\mu$	$10^{-6}$
hecto	h	$10^2$		nano	n	$10^{-9}$
deca	–	10		pico	p	$10^{-12}$

## II. DESCRIPTION OF UNITS

### MECHANICAL UNITS

Quantity	cgs	mks
Length	centimeter	meter
Mass	gram	kilogram
Time	second	second
Force	dyne	newton
Work, Energy	erg	joule
Power	–	watt
Dynamic Viscosity	poise	–
Kinematic Viscosity	stoke	–

### ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC UNITS

The esu and emu unit systems are cgs systems.

esu denotes “electrostatic unit”, sometimes given prefix “stat”, e.g. statcoulomb

emu denotes “electromagnetic unit”, sometimes given prefix “ab”, e.g. abcoulomb

Some emu units have special names:

Quantity	emu	mksq
Magnetic Flux, $\phi$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{line} \\ \text{maxwell} \end{array} \right\}$	weber
Magnetic Field Strength, $\mathbf{B}$	gauss	weber/m <sup>2</sup>
Magnetomotive Force, $\mathcal{F}$	gilbert	amp-turn
Magnetic Vector, $\mathbf{H}$	oersted	amp-turn/m.

# mksq DIMENSIONS

Length	L
Mass	M
Time	T
Current	Q/T
Charge	Q

## III. EQUIVALENT UNITS mksq SYSTEM

1 newton	=	1 kilogram-meter/(second) <sup>2</sup>	
1 volt	=	1 newton-meter/coulomb	
1 amp	=	1 coulomb/second	
1 joule	=	1 newton-meter	= 1 coulomb-volt
1 weber	=	1 volt-second	
1 farad	=	1 coulomb/volt	
1 henry	=	1 weber/amp	
1 ohm	=	1 volt/amp	
1 watt	=	1 joule/sec	

## IV. DIMENSIONS OF esu AND emu ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC QUANTITIES

The fundamental dimensions in both systems are M, L, T. cgs units used.

Quantity	Symbol	esu $M^x L^y T^z$			emu $M^x L^y T^z$			$\frac{\text{emu}^*}{\text{esu}}$
		x	y	z	x	y	z	
Charge	q	1/2	3/2	-1	1/2	1/2	0	c
Field Intensity	E	1/2	-1/2	-1	1/2	-3/2	0	1/c
Elec. Displacement	D	1/2	-1/2	-1	1/2	1/2	-2	c
Charge Density	$\rho$	1/2	-3/2	-1	1/2	-5/2	0	c
Current Density	j	1/2	-1/2	-2	1/2	-3/2	-1	c
Elec. Potential	V	1/2	1/2	-1	1/2	3/2	-2	1/c
Total Current	I	1/2	3/2	-2	1/2	1/2	-1	c
Mag. Field Strength	B	1/2	-3/2	0	1/2	-1/2	-1	1/c
Mag. Vector	H	1/2	1/2	-2	1/2	-1/2	-1	c
Permittivity	$\epsilon$	0	0	0	0	-2	2	c <sup>2</sup>
Permeability	$\mu$	0	-2	2	0	0	0	1/c <sup>2</sup>
Conductivity	$\sigma$	0	0	-1	0	-2	1	c <sup>2</sup>
Capacitance	C	0	1	0	0	-1	2	c <sup>2</sup>
Inductance	L	0	-1	2	0	1	0	1/c <sup>2</sup>
Resistance	R	0	-1	1	0	1	-1	1/c <sup>2</sup>

\*c = velocity of light (free space) in cm/sec  $\approx 3 \times 10^{10}$

Thus: 1 emu of charge =  $2.998 \times 10^{10}$  esu of charge

or 1 abcoulomb =  $2.998 \times 10^{10}$  statcoulomb

V. DIMENSIONS AND UNITS FOR PHYSICAL QUANTITIES  
mksq SYSTEM

A. MECHANICAL QUANTITIES

Quantity	Dimensions	Derived Units
Acceleration	$LT^{-2}$	meter/sec <sup>2</sup>
Angle	0	radian
Angular Accleration	$T^{-2}$	radian/sec <sup>2</sup>
Angular Momentum	$ML^2T^{-1}$	kgm-meter <sup>2</sup> /sec
Angular Velocity	$T^{-1}$	radian/sec
Area	$L^2$	meter <sup>2</sup>
Energy	$ML^2T^{-2}$	joule
Force	$MLT^{-2}$	newton
Frequency	$T^{-1}$	cycle/sec
Gravitational Field Strength	$LT^{-2}$	newton/kgm
Length	$L$	meter
Mass	$M$	kilogram
Mass Density	$ML^{-3}$	kgm/meter <sup>3</sup>
Momentum	$MLT^{-1}$	kgm-meter/sec
Power	$ML^2T^{-3}$	watt
Pressure	$ML^{-1}T^{-2}$	newton/meter <sup>2</sup>
Time	$T$	second
Torque	$ML^2T^{-2}$	newton-meter
Velocity	$LT^{-1}$	meter/sec
Viscosity (Dynamic)	$ML^{-1}T^{-1}$	kgm/meter-sec
Viscosity (Kinematic)	$L^2T^{-1}$	meter <sup>2</sup> /sec
Volume	$L^3$	meter <sup>3</sup>
Wave Length	$L$	meter
Work	$ML^2T^{-2}$	joule



## B. THERMAL QUANTITIES\*

Quantity	Dimensions	Derived Units
Enthalpy	$ML^2T^{-2}$	joule
Entropy	$ML^2T^{-2}\theta^{-1}$	joule/K°
Gas Constant	$L^2T^{-2}\theta^{-1}$	joule/kgm- K°
Internal Energy	$ML^2T^{-2}$	joule
Specific Heat	$L^2T^{-2}\theta^{-1}$	joule/kgm-K°
Temperature	$\theta$	K°
Thermal Conductivity	$MLT^{-3}\theta^{-1}$	watt/meter- K°
Thermal Diffusivity	$L^2T^{-1}$	meter <sup>2</sup> /sec
Heat Transfer Coefficient	$MT^{-3}\theta^{-1}$	watt/meter <sup>2</sup> - K°

\*The dimension of temperature is  $\theta$ ; the unit is K°

## C. ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC QUANTITIES

Quantity	Symbol	Dimensions	Derived Units
Charge	<b>q</b>	<b>Q</b>	coulomb
Field Intensity	<b>E</b>	$MLT^{-2}Q^{-1}$	volt/meter
Elec. Displacement	<b>D</b>	$L^{-2}Q$	coulomb/meter <sup>2</sup>
Charge Density	$\rho$	$L^{-3}Q$	coulomb/meter <sup>3</sup>
Current Density	<b>j</b>	$L^{-2}T^{-1}Q$	amp/meter <sup>2</sup>
Elec. Potential	<b>V</b>	$ML^2T^{-2}Q^{-1}$	volt
Total Current	<b>I</b>	$T^{-1}Q$	coulomb/sec
Mag. Field Strength	<b>B</b>	$MT^{-1}Q^{-1}$	weber/meter <sup>2</sup>
Mag. Vector	<b>H</b>	$L^{-1}T^{-1}Q$	amp(turn)/meter
Permittivity	$\epsilon$	$M^{-1}L^{-3}T^2Q^2$	farad/meter
Permeability	$\mu$	$MLQ^{-2}$	henry/meter
Conductivity	$\sigma$	$M^{-1}L^{-3}TQ^2$	1/ohm-meter
Capacitance	<b>C</b>	$M^{-1}L^{-2}T^2Q^2$	farad
Inductance	<b>L</b>	$ML^2Q^{-2}$	henry
Resistance	<b>R</b>	$ML^2T^{-1}Q^{-2}$	ohm

## VI. CONVERSION OF mksq UNITS TO GAUSSIAN UNITS

Quantity	mksq Unit		Conversion Factor $\times$ Gaussian Unit*		
q	coulomb	=	$10^{-1} \text{ c}$	statcoulomb	(esu)
E	volt/meter	=	$10^6/\text{c}$	statvolt/cm	(esu)
D	coulomb/meter <sup>2</sup>	=	$4\pi \times 10^{-5} \text{ c}$	lines/cm <sup>2</sup>	(esu)
$\rho$	coulomb/meter <sup>3</sup>	=	$10^{-7} \text{ c}$	statcoulomb/cm <sup>3</sup>	(esu)
j	amp/meter <sup>2</sup>	=	$10^{-5}$	abamp/cm <sup>2</sup>	(emu)
V	volt	=	$10^8/\text{c}$	statvolt	(esu)
I	coulomb/sec : = amp	=	$10^{-1}$	abamp	(emu)
B	weber/meter <sup>2</sup>	=	$10^4$	gauss	(emu)
H	amp-turn/meter	=	$4\pi \times 10^{-3}$	oersted	(emu)
$\mu$	farad/meter	=	$4\pi \times 10^{-11} \text{ c}^2$	—	(esu)
$\epsilon$	henry/meter	=	$10^7/4\pi$	—	(emu)
$\sigma$	1/ohm-meter	=	$10^{-11}$	1/abohm-cm	(emu)
C	farad	=	$10^{-9} \text{ c}^2$	statfarad	(esu)
L	henry	=	$10^9$	abhenry	(emu)
R	ohm	=	$10^9$	abohm	(emu)

\*c = vel. of light (free space) in cm/sec  $\approx 3 \times 10^{10}$

Use of table:

$$1 \text{ coulomb} = 10^{-1} (3 \times 10^{10}) \text{ statcoulomb} = 3 \times 10^9 \text{ statcoulomb}$$

## VII. CONVERSION FACTORS

NOTE: mksq UNITS ARE **CAPITALIZED**

USE OF TABLES: EXAMPLE

$$1 \text{ degree} = 2.778 \times 10^{-3} \text{ revolutions}$$

$$\text{so, } 16.7^\circ = 16.7 \times 2.778 \times 10^{-3} \text{ revolutions}$$

### A. PLANE ANGLE

		°	'	"	<b>RADIAN</b>	rev
1 degree	=	1	60	3600	$1.745 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.778 \times 10^{-3}$
1 minute	=	$1.667 \times 10^{-2}$	1	60	$2.909 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.630 \times 10^{-5}$
1 second	=	$2.778 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.667 \times 10^{-2}$	1	$4.848 \times 10^{-4}$	$7.716 \times 10^{-7}$
1 <b>RADIAN</b>	=	57.30	3438	$2.063 \times 10^5$	1	0.1592
1 revolution	=	360	$2.16 \times 10^4$	$1.296 \times 10^5$	6.283	1

$$1 \text{ revolution} = 2 \pi \text{ **RADIANS**} = 360^\circ, 1^\circ = 60' = 3600''$$

### B. SOLID ANGLE

$1 \text{ sphere} = 4 \pi \text{ steradians} = 12.57 \text{ steradians}$
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### C. LENGTH

	cm	<b>METER</b>	km	in	ft	mile
1 centimeter =	1	$10^{-2}$	$10^{-5}$	0.3937	$3.281 \times 10^{-2}$	$6.214 \times 10^{-6}$
1 <b>METER</b> =	100	1	$10^{-3}$	39.37	3.281	$6.214 \times 10^{-4}$
1 kilometer =	$10^5$	1000	1	$3.937 \times 10^{-4}$	3281	0.6214
1 inch =	2.540	$2.540 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.540 \times 10^{-3}$	1	$8.333 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.578 \times 10^{-5}$
1 foot =	30.48	0.3048	$3.048 \times 10^{-4}$	12	1	$1.894 \times 10^{-4}$
1 statute mile =	$1.609 \times 10^5$	1609	1.609	$6.336 \times 10^4$	5280	1

$$1 \text{ foot} = 1200/3937 \text{ meter}$$

$$1 \text{ meter} = 3937/1200 \text{ ft}$$

$$1 \text{ angstrom (}\text{\AA}\text{)} = 10^{-10} \text{ meter}$$

$$1 \text{ X-unit} = 10^{-13} \text{ meter}$$

$$1 \text{ micron} = 10^{-6} \text{ meter}$$

$$1 \text{ millimicron (}\mu\text{)} = 10^{-9} \text{ meter}$$

$$1 \text{ light-year} = 9.460 \times 10^{12} \text{ km}$$

$$1 \text{ par-sec} = 3.084 \times 10^{13} \text{ km}$$

$$1 \text{ fathom} = 6 \text{ ft}$$

$$1 \text{ yard} = 3 \text{ ft}$$

$$1 \text{ rod} = 16.5 \text{ ft}$$

$$1 \text{ mil} = 10^{-3} \text{ in}$$

$$1 \text{ nautical mile} = 1852 \text{ meters} = 1.1508 \text{ statute miles}$$

$$1 \text{ nautical mile} = 6076.10 \text{ ft}$$

### D. AREA

	<b>METER<sup>2</sup></b>	cm <sup>2</sup>	ft <sup>2</sup>	in <sup>2</sup>	circ mil
1 <b>SQUARE METER</b> =	1	$10^4$	10.76	1550	$1.974 \times 10^9$
1 square cm =	$10^{-4}$	1	$1.076 \times 10^{-3}$	0.1550	$1.974 \times 10^5$
1 square foot =	$9.290 \times 10^{-2}$	929.0	1	144	$1.833 \times 10^8$
1 square inch =	$6.452 \times 10^{-4}$	6.452	$6.944 \times 10^{-3}$	1	$1.273 \times 10^6$
1 circular mil =	$5.067 \times 10^{-10}$	$5.067 \times 10^{-6}$	$5.454 \times 10^{-3}$	$7.854 \times 10^{-7}$	1

$$1 \text{ square mile} = 27,878,400 \text{ ft}^2 = 640 \text{ acres}$$

$$1 \text{ acre} = 43,560 \text{ ft}^2 \quad 1 \text{ barn} = 10^{-28} \text{ meter}^2$$

$$1 \text{ hectare} = 2.417 \text{ acres}$$

### E. VOLUME

	<b>METER<sup>3</sup></b>	cm <sup>3</sup>	liter	ft <sup>3</sup>	in <sup>3</sup>
1 <b>CUBIC METER</b> =	1	$10^6$	1000	35.31	$6.102 \times 10^4$
1 cubic cm =	$10^{-6}$	1	$1.000 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.531 \times 10^{-8}$	$6.102 \times 10^{-2}$
1 liter =	$1.000 \times 10^{-3}$	1000	1	$3.531 \times 10^{-2}$	61.02
1 cubic foot =	$2.832 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.832 \times 10^4$	28.32	1	1728
1 cubic inch =	$1.639 \times 10^{-5}$	16.39	$1.639 \times 10^{-2}$	$5.787 \times 10^{-4}$	1

$$1 \text{ U.S. fluid gallon} = 4 \text{ U.S. fluid quarts} = 8 \text{ U.S. fluid pints}$$

$$= 128 \text{ U.S. fluid ounces} = 231 \text{ in}^3$$

$$1 \text{ British imperial gallon} = 277.42 \text{ in}^3 \text{ (volume of 10 lb H}_2\text{O at 62}^\circ\text{F)}$$

$$1 \text{ liter} = 1000.028 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ (volume of 1 kgm H}_2\text{O at its maximum density)}$$

## F. MASS

	gm	<b>KGM</b>	slug	amu	oz	lb	ton
1 gram =	1	0.001	$6.852 \times 10^{-5}$	$6.024 \times 10^{23}$	$3.527 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.205 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.102 \times 10^{-6}$
1 <b>KILOGRAM</b> =	1000	1	$6.852 \times 10^{-2}$	$6.024 \times 10^{26}$	35.27	2.205	$1.102 \times 10^{-3}$
1 slug =	$1.459 \times 10^{-4}$	14.59	1	$8.789 \times 10^{27}$	514.8	32.17	$1.609 \times 10^{-2}$
1 amu =	$1.660 \times 10^{-24}$	$1.660 \times 10^{-27}$	$1.137 \times 10^{-28}$	1	$5.855 \times 10^{-26}$	$3.660 \times 10^{-27}$	$1.829 \times 10^{-30}$
1 ounce (avoirdupois) =	28.35	$2.835 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.943 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.708 \times 10^{25}$	1	$6.250 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.125 \times 10^{-5}$
1 pound (avoirdupois) =	453.6	0.4536	$3.108 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.732 \times 10^{26}$	16	1	0.0005
1 ton =	$9.072 \times 10^{-5}$	907.2	62.16	$5.465 \times 10^{29}$	$3.200 \times 10^4$	2000	1

NOTE FOR TABLE F: Portion of table enclosed in heavy lines must be used with caution because those units are not properly mass units but weight equivalents which depend on standard terrestrial acceleration due to gravity, i.e. g.

## G. DENSITY

	slug/ft <sup>3</sup>	<b>KGM/M<sup>3</sup></b>	gm/cm <sup>3</sup>	lb/ft <sup>3</sup>	lb/in <sup>3</sup>
1 slug per ft <sup>3</sup> =	1	515.4	0.5154	32.17	$1.862 \times 10^{-2}$
1 <b>KILOGRAM</b> per <b>METER<sup>3</sup></b> =	$1.940 \times 10^{-3}$	1	0.001	$6.243 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.613 \times 10^{-5}$
1 gm per cm <sup>3</sup> =	1.940	1000	1	62.43	$3.613 \times 10^{-2}$
1 pound per ft <sup>3</sup> =	$3.108 \times 10^{-2}$	16.02	$1.602 \times 10^{-2}$	1	$5.787 \times 10^{-4}$
1 pound per in <sup>3</sup> =	53.71	$2.768 \times 10^4$	27.68	1728	1

NOTE FOR TABLE G: Portion of table enclosed in heavy lines must be used with caution because those units are not mass-density units but weight-density units which depend on g.

## H. TIME

		yr	day	hr	min	<b>SECOND</b>
1 year	=	1	365.2	$8.766 \times 10^3$	$5.259 \times 10^3$	$3.156 \times 10^7$
1 day	=	$2.738 \times 10^{-3}$	1	24	1440	$8.640 \times 10^4$
1 hour	=	$1.141 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.167 \times 10^{-2}$	1	60	3600
1 minute	=	$1.901 \times 10^{-6}$	$6.944 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.667 \times 10^{-2}$	1	60
1 <b>SECOND</b>	=	$3.169 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.157 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.778 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.667 \times 10^{-2}$	1

1 year = 365.24219879 days

## I. SPEED

		ft/sec	km/hr	<b>METER/SEC</b>	miles/hr	cm/sec	knot
1 foot per second	=	1	1.097	0.3408	0.6818	30.48	0.5925
1 kilometer per hour	=	0.9113	1	0.2778	0.6214	27.78	0.5400
1 <b>METER</b> per <b>SECOND</b>	=	3.281	3.600	1	2.237	100	1.944
1 mile per hour	=	1.467	1.609	0.4770	1	44.70	0.8689
1 centimeter per sec	=	$3.281 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.600 \times 10^{-2}$	0.0100	$2.237 \times 10^{-2}$	1	$1.944 \times 10^{-2}$
1 knot	=	1.688	1.852	0.5144	1.151	51.44	1

1 knot = 1 nautical mile/hr

1 mile/min = 88 ft/sec

= 60 miles/hr

## J. FORCE

		dyne	<b>NT</b>	lb	pdl	gf	kgf
1 dyne	=	1	$10^{-5}$	$2.248 \times 10^{-6}$	$7.233 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.020 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.020 \times 10^{-6}$
1 <b>NEWTON</b>	=	$10^5$	1	0.2248	7.233	102.0	0.1020
1 pound	=	$4.480 \times 10^5$	4.448	1	32.17	453.6	0.4536
1 poundal	=	$1.383 \times 10^4$	0.1383	$3.108 \times 10^{-2}$	1	14.10	$1.410 \times 10^{-2}$
1 gram-force	=	980.7	$9.807 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.205 \times 10^{-3}$	$7.093 \times 10^{-2}$	1	0.001
1 kilogram-force	=	$9.807 \times 10^5$	9.807	2.205	70.93	1000	1

NOTE FOR TABLE J: Portion of table enclosed in heavy lines must be used with caution because those units are not force units but weight equivalents of mass which depend on g.

$$1 \text{ kgf} = 9.80665 \text{ newton} \quad 1 \text{ lb} = 32.17398 \text{ poundal}$$

#### K. PRESSURE

		atm	dyne/cm <sup>2</sup>	inch of water	cm Hg	NT/METER <sup>2</sup>	lb/in <sup>2</sup>	lb/ft <sup>2</sup>
1 atmosphere	=	1	$1.013 \times 10^6$	406.8	76	$1.013 \times 10^5$	14.70	2116
1 dyne per cm <sup>2</sup>	=	$9.869 \times 10^{-7}$	1	$4.015 \times 10^{-4}$	$7.501 \times 10^{-5}$	0.100	$1.450 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.089 \times 10^{-3}$
1 inch of water at 4°C <sup>a</sup>	=	$2.458 \times 10^{-3}$	2.491	1	0.1868	249.1	$3.613 \times 10^{-2}$	5.202
1 centimeter of mercury at 0°C <sup>a</sup>	=	$1.316 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.333 \times 10^4$	5.353	1	1333	0.1934	27.85
1 NEWTON per METER <sup>2</sup>	=	$9.869 \times 10^{-6}$	10	$4.015 \times 10^{-3}$	$7.501 \times 10^{-4}$	1	$1.450 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.089 \times 10^{-2}$
1 pound per in <sup>2</sup>	=	$6.805 \times 10^{-2}$	$6.895 \times 10^4$	27.68	5.171	$6.895 \times 10^3$	1	144
1 pound per ft <sup>2</sup>	=	$4.725 \times 10^{-4}$	478.8	0.1922	$3.591 \times 10^{-2}$	47.88	$6.944 \times 10^{-3}$	1

<sup>a</sup> Where the acceleration of gravity has the standard value 9.80665 meter/sec<sup>2</sup>

$$1 \text{ bar} = 10^6 \text{ dyne/cm}^2 \quad 1 \text{ millibar} = 10^3 \text{ dyne/cm}^2$$

$$1 \text{ torr (mm Hg at 0°C)} = 1.93367 \times 10^{-2} \text{ lb/ft}^2$$

# L. ENERGY, WORK, HEAT

	Btu	erg	ft-lb	hp-hr	JOULES	cal	kw-hr	ev	Mev	kgm	amu
1 British thermal unit =	1	$1.055 \times 10^{10}$	777.9	$3.929 \times 10^{-4}$	1055	252.0	$2.930 \times 10^{-4}$	$6.585 \times 10^{21}$	$6.585 \times 10^{15}$	$1.174 \times 10^{-14}$	$7.074 \times 10^{12}$
1 erg =	$9.481 \times 10^{-11}$	1	$7.376 \times 10^{-8}$	$3.725 \times 10^{-14}$	$10^{-7}$	$2.389 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.778 \times 10^{-14}$	$6.242 \times 10^{11}$	$6.242 \times 10^5$	$1.113 \times 10^{-24}$	670.5
1 foot-pound =	$1.285 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.356 \times 10^7$	1	$5.051 \times 10^{-7}$	1.356	0.3239	$3.766 \times 10^{-7}$	$8.464 \times 10^{18}$	$8.464 \times 10^{12}$	$1.509 \times 10^{-17}$	$9.092 \times 10^9$
1 horsepower-hour =	2545	$2.685 \times 10^{13}$	$1.980 \times 10^6$	1	$2.685 \times 10^6$	$6.414 \times 10^5$	0.7457	$1.676 \times 10^{25}$	$1.676 \times 10^{19}$	$2.988 \times 10^{-11}$	$1.800 \times 10^{16}$
1 JOULE =	$9.481 \times 10^{-4}$	$10^7$	0.7376	$3.725 \times 10^{-7}$	1	0.2389	$2.778 \times 10^{-7}$	$6.242 \times 10^{18}$	$6.242 \times 10^{12}$	$1.113 \times 10^{-17}$	$6.705 \times 10^9$
1 calorie =	$3.968 \times 10^{-3}$	$4.186 \times 10^7$	3.087	$1.559 \times 10^{-6}$	4.186	1	$1.163 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.613 \times 10^{19}$	$2.613 \times 10^{13}$	$4.659 \times 10^{-17}$	$2.807 \times 10^{10}$
1 kilowatt-hour =	3413	$3.6 \times 10^{13}$	$2.655 \times 10^6$	1.341	$3.6 \times 10^6$	$8.601 \times 10^5$	1	$2.247 \times 10^{25}$	$2.247 \times 10^{19}$	$4.007 \times 10^{-11}$	$2.414 \times 10^{16}$
1 electron volt =	$1.519 \times 10^{-22}$	$1.602 \times 10^{-12}$	$1.182 \times 10^{-19}$	$5.967 \times 10^{-26}$	$1.602 \times 10^{-19}$	$3.827 \times 10^{-20}$	$4.450 \times 10^{-26}$	1	$10^{-6}$	$1.783 \times 10^{-36}$	$1.074 \times 10^{-9}$
1 million electron volts =	$1.519 \times 10^{-16}$	$1.602 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.182 \times 10^{-13}$	$5.967 \times 10^{-20}$	$1.602 \times 10^{-13}$	$3.827 \times 10^{-14}$	$4.450 \times 10^{-20}$	$10^6$	1	$1.783 \times 10^{-30}$	$1.074 \times 10^{-3}$
1 kilogram =	$8.521 \times 10^{-13}$	$8.987 \times 10^{23}$	$6.629 \times 10^{16}$	$3.348 \times 10^{10}$	$8.987 \times 10^{16}$	$2.147 \times 10^{16}$	$2.497 \times 10^{10}$	$5.610 \times 10^{35}$	$5.610 \times 10^{29}$	1	$6.025 \times 10^{26}$
1 atomic mass unit =	$1.415 \times 10^{-13}$	$1.492 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.100 \times 10^{-10}$	$5.558 \times 10^{-17}$	$1.492 \times 10^{-10}$	$3.564 \times 10^{-11}$	$4.145 \times 10^{-17}$	$9.310 \times 10^8$	931.0	$1.660 \times 10^{-27}$	1

(See notes, next page)

1 meter – kgf = 9.807 joule,      1 watt-sec = 1 joule = 1 nt-meter,      1 cm-dyne = 1 erg

Some conversions used in spectroscopy:

$$1 \text{ eV} = 8065.7 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$1 \text{ cm}^{-1} = 0.000124 \text{ eV}$$

$$1 \text{ eV} \approx 6000^\circ\text{K}$$

$$\text{At } 300^\circ\text{K}, \frac{3}{2} \text{ kT} \approx 0.05 \text{ eV}$$

NOTES FOR TABLE L: The electron volt is the kinetic energy an electron gains from being accelerated through the potential difference of one volt in an electric field. The units enclosed by heavy lines are not properly energy units; they arise from the relativistic mass-energy equivalent formula  $E = mc^2$ .

#### M. SPECIFIC ENERGY

	$\frac{\text{cal}}{\text{gm}}$	$\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{gm}}$	<b><math>\frac{\text{JOULE}}{\text{KGM}}</math></b>	$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lb}_m}$	$\frac{\text{ft} - \text{lb}_f}{\text{lb}_m}$	$\frac{\text{hp} - \text{hr}}{\text{lb}_m}$
1 calorie per gram =	1	$4.186 \times 10^7$	$4.186 \times 10^3$	1.800	$1.400 \times 10^3$	$7.072 \times 10^{-4}$
1 erg per gram =	$2.389 \times 10^{-8}$	1	$10^{-4}$	$4.299 \times 10^{-8}$	$3.346 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.690 \times 10^{-11}$
1 <b>JOULE</b> per <b>KILOGRAM</b> =	$2.389 \times 10^{-4}$	$10^4$	1	$4.299 \times 10^{-4}$	0.3346	$1.690 \times 10^{-7}$
1 Btu per pound (mass) =	0.5557	$2.326 \times 10^7$	$2.326 \times 10^3$	1	777.9	$3.929 \times 10^{-4}$
1 foot-pound per pound (mass) =	$7.142 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.990 \times 10^4$	2.990	$1.285 \times 10^{-3}$	1	$5.051 \times 10^{-7}$
1 horsepower-hour per pound (mass) =	$1.414 \times 10^3$	$5.920 \times 10^{10}$	$5.920 \times 10^6$	2.545	$1.980 \times 10^6$	1

(SEE NOTE FOR TABLE N)



N. SPECIFIC ENERGY PER UNIT TEMPERATURE

	$\frac{\text{cal}}{\text{gm}^\circ\text{C}}$	$\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{gm}^\circ\text{C}}$	<b><math>\frac{\text{JOULE}}{\text{KGM}^\circ\text{K}}</math></b>	$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lb}_m^\circ\text{F}}$	$\frac{\text{ft} - \text{lb}_f}{\text{lb}_m^\circ\text{F}}$	$\frac{\text{hp} - \text{hr}}{\text{lb}_m^\circ\text{F}}$
1 calorie per gram per degree C =	1	$4.186 \times 10^7$	$4.186 \times 10^3$	1.000	777.9	$3.929 \times 10^{-4}$
1 erg per gram per degree C =	$2.389 \times 10^{-8}$	1	$10^{-4}$	$2.388 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.859 \times 10^{-5}$	$9.376 \times 10^{-12}$
1 <b>JOULE</b> per <b>KGM</b> per <b>DEGREE K</b> =	$2.389 \times 10^{-4}$	$10^4$	1	$2.388 \times 10^{-4}$	0.1859	$9.376 \times 10^{-8}$
1 Btu per lb (mass) per degree F =	1.000	$4.187 \times 10^7$	$4.187 \times 10^3$	1	777.9	$3.929 \times 10^{-4}$
1 foot-lb per lb (mass) per degree F =	$1.286 \times 10^{-3}$	$5.382 \times 10^4$	5.382	$1.285 \times 10^{-3}$	1	$5.051 \times 10^{-7}$
1 horsepower-hour per lb (mass) per degree F =	$2.546 \times 10^3$	$1.066 \times 10^{11}$	$1.066 \times 10^7$	2.545	$1.980 \times 10^6$	1

NOTE FOR TABLES M & N: The engineering units enclosed within the heavy lines have been properly related to the pound mass rather than the pound force because these specific thermal quantities depend on unit mass and have nothing to do with weight. However, in engineering practice it is customary to relate energy and energy per degree to weight. Thus we speak of Btu/lb, ft-lb/lb and hp-hr/lb of weight. The conversion factors given in Tables M & N are equally valid for this purpose if the local acceleration of gravity is the earth standard value of  $g = 32.174 \text{ ft/sec}^2 = 9.80665 \text{ meter/sec}^2$ . This is true because the pound-force and the pound-mass are numerically equal at standard gravity. It should be realized that relating specific quantities to weight, rather than mass, involves a change of concept because weight and mass are not dimensional equivalents. The relation between units of mass and weight is not a relation between the concepts of mass and weight. The units are related by

$$\text{lb}_f = 32.174 \text{ lb}_m \text{ ft/sec}^2$$

# O. POWER

		$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr}}$	$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{sec}}$	$\frac{\text{ft} - \text{lb}}{\text{min}}$	$\frac{\text{ft} - \text{lb}}{\text{sec}}$	hp	$\frac{\text{cal}}{\text{sec}}$	kw	<b>WATT</b>
1 British thermal unit per hour	=	1	$2.778 \times 10^{-4}$	12.97	0.2161	$3.929 \times 10^{-4}$	$7.000 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.930 \times 10^{-4}$	0.2930
1 British thermal unit per second	=	3600	1	$4.669 \times 10^4$	777.9	1.414	252.0	1.055	$1.055 \times 10^3$
1 foot-pound per minute	=	$7.713 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.142 \times 10^{-5}$	1	$1.667 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.030 \times 10^{-5}$	$5.399 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.260 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.260 \times 10^{-2}$
1 foot-pound per second	=	4.628	$1.286 \times 10^{-3}$	60	1	$1.818 \times 10^{-3}$	0.3239	$1.356 \times 10^{-3}$	1.356
1 horsepower	=	2545	0.7069	$3.3 \times 10^4$	550	1	178.2	0.7457	745.7
1 calorie per second	=	14.29	0.3950	$1.852 \times 10^2$	3.087	$5.613 \times 10^{-3}$	1	$4.186 \times 10^{-3}$	4.186
1 kilowatt	=	3413	0.9481	$4.425 \times 10^4$	737.6	1.341	238.9	1	1000
1 <b>WATT</b>	=	3.413	$9.481 \times 10^{-4}$	44.25	0.7376	$1.341 \times 10^{-3}$	0.2389	0.001	1

P. HEAT FLUX\*

	$\frac{\text{cal}}{\text{sec} \cdot \text{cm}^2}$	$\frac{\text{kilocal}}{\text{hr} \cdot \text{m}^2}$	$\frac{\text{WATT}}{\text{M}^2}$	$\frac{\text{watt}}{\text{in}^2}$	$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr} \cdot \text{ft}^2}$	$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{sec} \cdot \text{in}^2}$	$\frac{\text{hp}}{\text{ft}^2}$
1 calorie per sec per centimeter <sup>2</sup> =	1	$3.600 \times 10^4$	$4.185 \times 10^4$	27.00	$1.327 \times 10^4$	$2.560 \times 10^{-2}$	5.212
1 kilocalorie per hour per meter <sup>2</sup> =	$2.778 \times 10^{-5}$	1	1.163	$7.500 \times 10^{-4}$	0.3687	$7.112 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.448 \times 10^{-4}$
1 <b>WATT</b> per <b>METER</b> <sup>2</sup> =	$2.390 \times 10^{-5}$	0.8602	1	$6.452 \times 10^{-4}$	0.3171	$6.117 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.246 \times 10^{-4}$
1 watt per inch <sup>2</sup> =	$3.704 \times 10^{-2}$	1.333	1550	1	491.5	$9.481 \times 10^{-4}$	0.1931
1 British thermal unit per hour per foot <sup>2</sup> =	$7.535 \times 10^{-5}$	2.713	3.153	$2.035 \times 10^{-3}$	1	$1.929 \times 10^{-6}$	$3.928 \times 10^{-4}$
1 British thermal unit per sec per inch <sup>2</sup> =	39.06	$1.406 \times 10^6$	$1.635 \times 10^6$	$1.055 \times 10^3$	$5.184 \times 10^5$	1	203.6
1 horsepower per foot <sup>2</sup> =	0.1918	$6.905 \times 10^2$	8027	5.179	$2.546 \times 10^3$	$4.911 \times 10^{-3}$	1

\*Also power per unit area

Q. HEAT TRANSFER COEFFICIENT, h

	$\frac{\text{cal}}{\text{sec} \cdot \text{cm}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{C}}$	$\frac{\text{WATT}}{\text{M}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{K}}$	$\frac{\text{watt}}{\text{in}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{C}}$	$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{F}}$	$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{sec} \cdot \text{in}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{F}}$	$\frac{\text{hp}}{\text{ft}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{F}}$
1 calorie per sec per centimeter <sup>2</sup> - °C =	1	$4.185 \times 10^4$	27.00	$7.372 \times 10^3$	$1.422 \times 10^{-2}$	2.895
1 <b>WATT</b> per <b>METER</b> <sup>2</sup> per <b>DEG KELVIN</b> =	$2.390 \times 10^{-5}$	1	$6.452 \times 10^{-4}$	0.1762	$3.398 \times 10^{-7}$	$6.922 \times 10^{-5}$
1 watt per inch <sup>2</sup> per deg Centigrade =	$3.704 \times 10^{-2}$	1550	1	273.1	$5.267 \times 10^{-4}$	0.1073
1 Btu per hour per per foot <sup>2</sup> - °F =	$1.356 \times 10^{-4}$	5.675	$3.663 \times 10^{-3}$	1	$1.929 \times 10^{-6}$	$3.928 \times 10^{-4}$
1 Btu per sec per inch <sup>2</sup> - °F =	70.31	$2.943 \times 10^6$	$1.899 \times 10^3$	$5.184 \times 10^5$	1	203.6
1 horsepower per foot <sup>2</sup> - °F =	0.3452	$1.445 \times 10^4$	9.322	$2.546 \times 10^3$	$4.911 \times 10^{-3}$	1

# R. R. THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY, k

	$\frac{\text{cal}}{\text{sec-cm}^\circ\text{C}}$	$\frac{\text{WATTS}}{\text{METER}^\circ\text{K}}$	$\frac{\text{watts}}{\text{in}^\circ\text{C}}$	$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr - ft}^\circ\text{F}}$	$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{sec - in}^\circ\text{F}}$	$\frac{\text{hp}}{\text{ft}^\circ\text{F}}$
1 calorie per sec per centimeter-deg C =	1	418.5	10.63	241.9	$5.600 \times 10^{-3}$	$9.503 \times 10^{-2}$
1 <b>WATT</b> per <b>METER</b> per <b>DEG KELVIN</b> =	$2.390 \times 10^{-3}$	1	$2.540 \times 10^{-2}$	0.5781	$1.338 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.271 \times 10^{-4}$
1 watt per inch per deg Centigrade =	$9.407 \times 10^{-2}$	39.37	1	22.76	$5.269 \times 10^{-4}$	$8.939 \times 10^{-3}$
1 Btu per hour per foot-deg F =	$4.134 \times 10^{-3}$	1.730	$4.394 \times 10^{-2}$	1	$2.315 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.929 \times 10^{-4}$
1 Btu per sec per inch-deg F =	$1.786 \times 10^2$	$7.474 \times 10^4$	$1.898 \times 10^3$	$4.320 \times 10^4$	1	16.97
1 horsepower per foot-deg F =	10.52	4403	111.8	2546	$5.894 \times 10^{-2}$	1

### S. ABSOLUTE OR DYNAMIC VISCOSITY, $\mu$

		centipoise	poise	$\frac{\text{kgm}_f\text{-sec}}{\text{meter}^2}$	$\frac{\text{lb - sec}}{\text{ft}^2}$	<b><math>\frac{\text{KGM}}{\text{M-SEC}}</math></b>	$\frac{\text{lb}_m}{\text{ft - sec}}$
1 centipoise	=	1	$10^{-2}$	$1.020 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.089 \times 10^{-5}$	$10^{-3}$	$6.720 \times 10^{-4}$
1 poise	=	100	1	$1.020 \times 10^{-2}$	$2.089 \times 10^{-3}$	0.100	$6.720 \times 10^{-2}$
1 kg (force) – sec per meter <sup>2</sup>	=	$9.807 \times 10^3$	98.07	1	0.2048	9.807	6.590
1 lb (force) – sec per foot <sup>2</sup>	=	$4.788 \times 10^4$	$4.788 \times 10^2$	4.882	1	47.88	32.174
<b>1 KILOGRAM per METER-SEC</b>	=	$10^3$	10	0.1020	$2.089 \times 10^{-2}$	1	0.6720
1 lb (mass) per foot – sec	=	$1.488 \times 10^3$	14.88	0.1518	$3.108 \times 10^{-2}$	1.488	1

NOTE FOR TABLE S: The absolute viscosity  $\mu$  is properly expressed in force units according to its definition. In heat transfer and fluid mechanics it is usually expressed in mass-equivalent units to avoid the use of a conversion factor in Reynolds Number. Mass units have been used in the portion of the table enclosed in heavy lines. The proper force units for  $\mu$  in the mksq system are **NEWTON-SEC per METER<sup>2</sup>**; they are seldom used. The poise is the cgs force unit and is defined by

$$1 \text{ poise} = 1 \frac{\text{dyne - second}}{\text{centimeter}^2}$$

### T. KINEMATIC VISCOSITY, $\nu = \mu/\rho$

		centistoke	stoke	<b>METER<sup>2</sup>/SEC</b>	ft <sup>2</sup> /sec
1 centistoke	=	1	$10^{-2}$	$10^{-6}$	$1.076 \times 10^{-5}$
1 stoke	=	100	1	$10^{-4}$	$1.076 \times 10^{-3}$
<b>1 METER<sup>2</sup>/SEC</b>	=	$10^6$	$10^4$	1	10.76
1 ft <sup>2</sup> /sec	=	$9.290 \times 10^4$	929.0	$9.290 \times 10^{-2}$	1

$$1 \text{ stoke} = 1 \text{ centimeter}^2/\text{sec}$$

# AA. ELECTRIC CHARGE

		abcoul	amp-hr	COUL	faraday	statcoul
1 abcoulomb (1 emu)	=	1	$2.778 \times 10^{-3}$	10	$1.036 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.998 \times 10^{10}$
1 ampere-hour	=	360	1	3600	$3.730 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.079 \times 10^{13}$
1 <b>COULOMB</b>	=	0.100	$2.778 \times 10^{-4}$	1	$1.036 \times 10^{-5}$	$2.998 \times 10^9$
1 faraday	=	$9.652 \times 10^3$	26.81	$9.652 \times 10^4$	1	$2.893 \times 10^{14}$
1 statcoulomb (1 esu)	=	$3.336 \times 10^{-11}$	$9.266 \times 10^{-14}$	$3.336 \times 10^{-10}$	$3.456 \times 10^{-15}$	1

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 \text{ electronic charge} &= 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ coulombs} \\
 &= (1.602 \times 10^{-19})(2.998 \times 10^9) \text{ statcoulomb} \\
 &= 4.8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ esu}
 \end{aligned}$$

# BB. ELECTRIC CURRENT

		abamp	AMP	statamp
1 abampere (1 emu)	=	1	10	$2.998 \times 10^{10}$
1 <b>AMPERE</b>	=	0.100	1	$2.998 \times 10^9$
1 statampere (1 esu)	=	$3.336 \times 10^{-11}$	$3.336 \times 10^{-10}$	1

# CC. ELECTRIC POTENTIAL, ELECTROMOTIVE FORCE

		abv	VOLT	statv
1 abvolt (1 emu)	=	1	$10^{-8}$	$3.336 \times 10^{-11}$
1 <b>VOLT</b>	=	$10^8$	1	$3.336 \times 10^{-3}$
1 statvolt (1 esu)	=	$2.998 \times 10^{10}$	299.8	1

### DD. ELECTRIC RESISTANCE

		abohm	<b>OHM</b>	statohm
1 abohm (1 emu)	=	1	$10^{-9}$	$1.113 \times 10^{-21}$
1 <b>OHM</b>	=	$10^9$	1	$1.113 \times 10^{-12}$
1 statohm (1 esu)	=	$8.987 \times 10^{20}$	$8.987 \times 10^{11}$	1

### EE. ELECTRIC RESISTIVITY, RECIPROCAL CONDUCTIVITY

		abohm-cm	ohm-cm	<b>OHM-M</b>	statohm-cm	ohm-circ mil/ft
1 abohm-centimeter (1 emu)	=	1	$10^{-9}$	$10^{-11}$	$1.113 \times 10^{-21}$	$6.015 \times 10^{-3}$
1 ohm-centimeter	=	$10^9$	1	0.0100	$1.113 \times 10^{-12}$	$6.015 \times 10^6$
1 <b>OHM-METER</b>	=	$10^{11}$	100	1	$1.113 \times 10^{-10}$	$6.015 \times 10^8$
1 statohm-centimeter (1 esu)	=	$8.987 \times 10^{20}$	$8.987 \times 10^{11}$	$8.987 \times 10^9$	1	$5.406 \times 10^{18}$
1 ohm-circular mil per foot	=	166.2	$1.662 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.662 \times 10^{-9}$	$1.850 \times 10^{-19}$	1

### FF. CAPACITANCE

		abf	<b>FARAD</b>	$\mu f$	statf
1 abfarad (1 emu)	=	1	$10^9$	$10^{15}$	$8.987 \times 10^{20}$
1 <b>FARAD</b>	=	$10^{-9}$	1	$10^6$	$8.987 \times 10^{11}$
1 microfarad	=	$10^{-15}$	$10^{-6}$	1	$8.987 \times 10^5$
1 statfarad (1 esu)	=	$1.113 \times 10^{-21}$	$1.113 \times 10^{-12}$	$1.113 \times 10^{-6}$	1

## GG. INDUCTANCE

	abhenry	<b>HENRY</b>	$\mu$ h	stathenry
1 abhenry (1 emu) =	1	$10^{-9}$	0.001	$1.113 \times 10^{-21}$
1 <b>HENRY</b> =	$10^9$	1	$10^6$	$1.113 \times 10^{-12}$
1 microhenry =	$10^3$	$10^{-6}$	1	$1.113 \times 10^{-18}$
1 stathenry (1 esu) =	$8.987 \times 10^{20}$	$8.987 \times 10^{11}$	$8.987 \times 10^{17}$	1

## HH. MAGNETIC FLUX

	maxwell	kiloline	<b>WEBER</b>
1 maxwell (1 line or 1 emu) =	1	0.001	$10^{-8}$
1 kiloline =	1000	1	$10^{-5}$
1 <b>WEBER</b> =	$10^8$	$10^5$	1

1 esu = 2.998 webers

## II. MAGNETOMOTIVE FORCE

	abamp-turn	<b>AMP-TURN</b>	gilbert
1 abamp-turn =	1	10	12.57
1 <b>AMP-TURN</b> =	0.100	1	1.257
1 gilbert =	$7.958 \times 10^{-2}$	0.7958	1

1 pragilbert =  $4 \pi$  amp-turn

1 esu =  $2.655 \times 10^{-11}$  amp-turn



## JJ. MAGNETIC FIELD STRENGTH, **B**

	gauss	$\frac{\text{kiloline}}{\text{in}^2}$	$\frac{\text{WEBER}}{\text{METER}^2}$	milligauss	gamma
1 gauss (line per $\text{cm}^2$ ) =	1	$6.452 \times 10^{-2}$	$10^{-4}$	1000	$10^5$
1 kiloline per $\text{in}^2$ =	155.0	1	$1.550 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.550 \times 10^5$	$1.550 \times 10^7$
1 <b>WEBER PER METER<sup>2</sup></b> =	$10^4$	64.52	1	$10^7$	$10^9$
1 milligauss =	$10^{-3}$	$6.452 \times 10^{-6}$	$10^{-7}$	1	100
1 gamma =	$10^{-5}$	$6.452 \times 10^{-8}$	$10^{-9}$	$10^{-2}$	1

$$1 \text{ esu} = 2.998 \times 10^6 \text{ weber/meter}^2$$

$$10^4 \text{ gauss} = 1 \text{ tesla}$$

## KK. MAGNETIC VECTOR, **H**

	$\frac{\text{abamp} - \text{turn}}{\text{cm}}$	$\frac{\text{amp} - \text{turn}}{\text{cm}}$	$\frac{\text{AMP} - \text{TURN}}{\text{METER}}$	$\frac{\text{amp} - \text{turn}}{\text{in}}$	oersted
1 abampere-turn per centimeter =	1	10	1000	25.40	12.57
1 ampere-turn per centimeter =	0.100	1	100	2.54	1.257
1 <b>AMPERE-TURN PER METER</b> =	$10^{-3}$	$10^{-2}$	1	$2.540 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.257 \times 10^{-2}$
1 ampere-turn per inch =	$3.937 \times 10^{-2}$	0.3937	39.37	1	0.4947
1 oersted =	$7.958 \times 10^{-2}$	0.7958	79.58	2.021	1

$$1 \text{ oersted} = 1 \text{ gilbert/cm}$$

$$1 \text{ esu} = 2.655 \times 10^{-9} \text{ amp-turn/meter}$$

$$1 \text{ praersted} = 4 \pi \text{ amp-turn/meter}$$

## VIII. ELECTROMAGNETIC CONSTANTS OF FREE SPACE

Maxwell was able to show analytically that the constant appearing in a wave equation derived for free space (perfect vacuum), for the case  $\rho_e = \sigma_c = 0$ , was the square of the velocity of propagation of electromagnetic waves in free space. The experiments of Hertz verified that this velocity was the velocity of light in free space and that

$$c^2 = \frac{1}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$$

where  $\mu_0$  is the permeability of free space and  $\epsilon_0$  is the permittivity of free space. This equation is true for any system of units; in the mksq system

$$\begin{aligned} c &= 2.997925 \times 10^8 \text{ meter/sec} \\ \mu_0 &= 1.256637 \times 10^{-6} \text{ henry/meter} \\ \epsilon_0 &= 8.85416 \times 10^{-12} \text{ farad/meter} \end{aligned}$$

## IX. ELECTROMAGNETIC CONSTANTS OF MATERIALS

The permeability and permittivity of materials are usually given relative to the values of free space.

Relative permeability

$$\kappa_m = \frac{\mu}{\mu_0}$$

Magnetic Susceptibility

$$\kappa_m = 1 + \chi_m$$

Relative permittivity

$$\kappa_e = \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0}$$

(Dielectric constant)

Electric Susceptibility

$$\kappa_e = 1 + \chi_e$$

When looking up values of electromagnetic constants of materials care must be taken to be sure what values are specified, i.e.  $\mu$ ,  $\kappa_m$  or  $\chi_m$  and  $\epsilon$ ,  $\kappa_e$  or  $\chi_e$ . The usual values given are  $\kappa_e$  and  $\chi_m$ .

$\kappa_m$  is a number near unity and may be greater or less than unity;  $\chi_m$  may be positive or negative but is small compared to unity.  $\kappa_e$  is always greater than unity and may be significantly larger than unity;  $\chi_e$  is always positive and may be large compared to unity:

$$\kappa_m \leq 1, \kappa_m \sim 1$$

$$\kappa_e \geq 1$$

$$\chi_m \leq 0, \chi_m \ll 1$$

$$\chi_e \geq 0$$

$\kappa_m$  is temperature  
dependent

possible  $\chi_e \gg 1$

X. SOME IMPORTANT DIMENSIONAL CONSTANTS (*mksq* units)

Name	Symbol	Computational Value	Best Experimental Value
Speed of light	$c$	$3.00 \times 10^8$ meter/sec	$(2.997930 \pm 0.000003) \times 10^8$
Universal Gravitational Const.	$G$	$6.67 \times 10^{-11}$ nt-m <sup>2</sup> /kgm <sup>2</sup>	$(6.673 \pm 0.003) \times 10^{-11}$
Avogadro's Number	$N_0$	$6.02 \times 10^{23}$ /mole	$(6.02486 \pm 0.00016) \times 10^{23}$
Universal Gas Constant	$R$	8.32 joule/mole °K	$8.31696 \pm 0.00034$
Standard Volume of Ideal Gas		$2.24 \times 10^{-2}$ meter <sup>3</sup>	$(2.24207 \pm 0.00006) \times 10^{-2}$
Planck's Constant	$h$	$6.63 \times 10^{-34}$ joule/sec	$(6.62517 \pm 0.00023) \times 10^{-34}$
Boltzmann's Constant	$k$	$1.38 \times 10^{-23}$ joule/°K	$(1.38044 \pm 0.00007) \times 10^{-23}$
Mechanical Equiv. of Heat	$J$	4.19 joule/cal	$4.1855 \pm 0.0004$
Triple Point of Water		273.16 °K	273.16 °K exactly
Ice Point of Water	$\Sigma_0$	273.16 °K	$273.16 \text{ °K} \pm 0.0002$
Maximum Density of Water (at 3.98°C, 1 atm)		1 gm/cm <sup>3</sup>	0.999973
Permeability of Free Space	$\mu_0$	$1.26 \times 10^{-6}$ henry/meter	$4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ exactly
Permittivity of Free Space	$\epsilon_0$	$8.85 \times 10^{-12}$ farad/meter	$(8.85415 \pm 0.00002) \times 10^{-12}$
Electronic Charge	$e$	$1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ coulomb	$(1.60206 \pm 0.00003) \times 10^{-19}$
Electronic Rest Mass	$m_e$	$9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ kgm	$(9.1083 \pm 0.0003) \times 10^{-31}$
Proton Rest Mass	$m_p$	$1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ kgm	$(1.67239 \pm 0.00004) \times 10^{-27}$
Neutron Rest Mass	$m_n$	$1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ kgm	$(1.67470 \pm 0.00004) \times 10^{-27}$
Mass-Energy Relation	$c^2 = E/m$	$8.99 \times 10^{16}$ meter <sup>2</sup> /sec <sup>2</sup>	$(8.98758 \pm 0.00003) \times 10^{16}$
Magnetic Moment of Electron		$9.28 \times 10^{-32}$ joule-m <sup>2</sup> /weber	$(9.2837 \pm 0.0002) \times 10^{-32}$
Compton Wavelength of Electron	$\lambda_c$	$2.43 \times 10^{-12}$ meter	$(2.42626 \pm 0.00002) \times 10^{-12}$
First Bohr Orbit Radius in Hydrogen Atom	$a_0$	$5.29 \times 10^{-11}$ meter	$(5.29172 \pm 0.00002) \times 10^{-11}$
Stefan-Boltzmann Const.	$\sigma$	$5.67 \times 10^{-8}$ joule/sec(°K) <sup>4</sup> meter <sup>2</sup>	$(5.6687 \pm 0.0019) \times 10^{-8}$

# XI. SOME IMPORTANT DIMENSIONLESS GROUPS

Name	Group	Field of Use
Biot	$(Bi) = hL/k$	Conduction heat transfer
Euler	$(Eu) = p/\rho V^2$	Fluid mechanics
Fourier	$(Fo) = \alpha\tau/L^2$	Conduction heat transfer
Froude	$(Fr) = V\sqrt{Lg}$	Fluid mechanics
Graetz	$(Grz) = \dot{w} c_p/kL$	Heat transfer, free convection
Grashof	$(Grf) = L^3 \rho^2 g \beta \Delta t / \mu^2$	Heat transfer, free convection
Hartmann	$(Ha) = (\sigma_c B_0^2 L^2 / \mu)^{1/2}$	MHD
Knudsen	$(Kn) = \lambda/L$	Fluid mech., rarified gas flow
Lewis	$(Le) = (Sc)/(Pr) = \alpha/D$	Conv. heat & mass transfer
Mach	$(M) = V/a$	High speed flow
Nusselt	$(Nu) = hL/k$	Convection heat transfer
Péclet	$(Pe) = (Re)(Pr)$	Convection heat transfer
Prandtl	$(Pr) = \mu c_p/k$	Convection heat transfer
Reynolds	$(Re) = VL\rho/\mu$	Fluid mech., heat transfer
Magnetic Reynolds	$(Re)_m = \mu\sigma_c VL$	MHD
Schmidt	$(Sc) = \mu/\rho D$	Conv. heat & mass transfer
Stanton	$(St) = h/c_p V\rho$	Convection heat transfer
Weber	$(We) = \rho V^2 L/\sigma$	Fluid mechanics, free surface
—	$(N) = (Ha)^2/(Re)$	MHD
—	$(S) = (Ha)^2/(Re)(Re)_m$	MHD

Symbols:

$B_0$ – Applied mag. field	$\lambda$ - Mean free path (molecular)
$D$ – Diffusion coefficient	$\Delta t$ – Temperature difference
$L$ – Characteristic length	$\dot{w}$ - Mass rate of flow
$V$ – Fluid velocity	$c_p$ – Specific heat (const. pressure)
$a$ – Acoustic velocity	$\alpha$ - Thermal diffusivity
$g$ – Gravity	$\beta$ - Thermal expansion coefficient
$h$ – Heat transfer coefficient	$\sigma$ - Surface tension
$k$ – Thermal conductivity	$\sigma_c$ – Electric conductivity
$p$ – Static pressure	$\mu$ - Viscosity or magnetic permeability
$\rho$ – Density	$\tau$ - Time interval

## XII. THE PERFECT GAS LAW

### A. NOMENCLATURE, DEFINITIONS, AND EQUATIONS

In the following discussion the elementary particle under consideration is the molecule. Care must be taken to use consistent units, especially to make the proper distinction between mass and weight units. The units of the gas constant must be consistent with those used for density or specific volume.

#### NOMENCLATURE:

Symbol	Definition in cgs Units
$\rho$	Density in grams per $\text{cm}^3$
$k$	Boltzmann's Constant in ergs/molecule $\text{K}^\circ$
$m$	Mass of molecule in grams
$n$	Particle Number Density in molecules/ $\text{cm}^3$
$p$	Pressure in dynes/ $\text{cm}^2$
$v$	Specific Volume in $\text{cm}^3$ per gram
$v_N$	Specific Molar Volume in $\text{cm}^3/\text{gm-mole}$
$M$	Molecular Weight in gm/gm-mole
$N$	Number of moles
$N_0$	Avogadro's Number, no. of molecules per gm-mole
$R$	Gas Constant in ergs/gm $\text{K}^\circ$
$R_0$	Universal Gas Constant in ergs/gm-mole $\text{K}^\circ$
$T$	Absolute Temperature, degrees Kelvin
$V$	Total Volume in cubic centimeters
$W$	"Weight" of Gas in grams

**Avogadro's Law:** All ideal gases at the same temperature and pressure have the same specific molar volume. At STP ( $0^\circ\text{C}$ , 1 atm),  $v_N = 22.4$  liters/gm-mole =  $22400 \text{ cm}^3/\text{gm-mole}$  =  $359 \text{ ft}^3/\text{lb-mole}$ . At the same temperature and pressure all ideal gases contain the same number of molecules per unit volume.

**Definition of the mole:** The gm-mole is the amount of an ideal gas which will occupy the same volume as 32 gm of oxygen at STP; the pound-mole is similarly related to 32 lb of oxygen. The weight of a mole of gas is numerically equal to the molecular weight of the gas.

#### Forms of the Perfect Gas Law:

$$p v = RT$$

$$p v_N = R_0 T$$

$$p = \rho RT = n k T$$

$$p V = W R T = N R_0 T$$

#### Useful Relations:

$$\rho = n m$$

$$m = M/N_0$$

$$R = R_0/M$$

$$R_0 = N_0 k$$

$$N_0 = n v_N$$

$$v_N = V/N$$

$$N = W/M$$

B. VALUES OF UNIVERSAL GAS CONSTANT, BOLTZMANN'S CONSTANT  
AND AVOGADRO'S NUMBER IN DIFFERENT UNITS

Units	$R_0$	Units	$R_0$
ft-lb/lb-mole $R^\circ$	1544	cal/gm-mole $K^\circ$	1.987
ft-lb/lb-mole $K^\circ$	2779	cm <sup>3</sup> atm/gm-mole $K^\circ$	82.06
ft-lb/lb-mole $R^\circ$	3.407	liter atm/gm-mole $K^\circ$	0.08206
Btu/lb-mole $R^\circ$	1.987	ergs/gm-mole $K^\circ$	$8.313 \times 10^7$
ft <sup>3</sup> atm/lb-mole $R^\circ$	0.729	<b>JOULES/KGM-MOLE <math>K^\circ</math></b>	8313
ft <sup>3</sup> atm/lb-mole $K^\circ$	1.315	psia ft <sup>3</sup> /lb-mole $R^\circ$	10.71

Units	k	Units	$N_0$
ergs/molecule $K^\circ$	$1.38 \times 10^{-16}$	molecules/gm-mole	$6.023 \times 10^{23}$
<b>JOULES/MOLECULE <math>K^\circ</math></b>	$1.38 \times 10^{-23}$	<b>MOLECULES/KGM-MOLE</b>	$6.023 \times 10^{26}$
ft-lb/molecule $R^\circ$	$5.655 \times 10^{-24}$	molecules/lb-mole	$2.73 \times 10^{26}$
Btu/molecule $R^\circ$	$7.267 \times 10^{-27}$		

$$1 \text{ atm} = 1.013 \times 10^6 \text{ dynes/cm}^2$$

$$1 \text{ erg} = 1 \text{ dyne-cm}$$

$$1 \text{ erg} = 10^{-7} \text{ joule}$$

$$1 \text{ ft-lb} = 1.356 \times 10^7 \text{ ergs}$$