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IT Acronyms at your fingertips

A quick references guide with over 3,000 technology related acronyms

We've all experienced it. You're sitting in a meeting and someone spouts off an acronym. You immediately look around the table and no one reacts.

Do they all know what it means?

Is it just me?

We're here to help! We've compiled a list of over 3,000 IT acronyms for your quick reference and a list of the top 15 acronyms you need to know now.

Top 15 acronyms you need to know now.
Click the links to get a full definition of the acronym

- **API**, Application Programmer Interface
- **AWS**, Amazon Web Services
- **BYOA**, Bring Your Own Apps
- **BYOC**, Bring Your Own Cloud
- **BYON**, Bring Your Own Network
- **BYOI**, Bring Your Own Identity
- **BYOE**, Bring Your Own Encryption
- **IoT**, Internet of Things

- **MDM**, Mobile Device Management
- **PCI DSS**, Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard
- **SaaS**, Software as a Service
- **SDN**, Software Defined Network
- **SLA**, Service Level Agreement
- **VDI**, Virtual Desktop Infrastructure
- **VM**, Virtual Machine

Quick Reference, over 3000 IT acronyms
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Acronym	Meaning
10 GbE	10 gigabit Ethernet
100GbE	100 Gigabit Ethernet
10HD busy period	10-high-day busy period
1170	UNIX 98
121	one-to-one
1xRTT	Single-Carrier Radio Transmission Technology
2D barcode	two-dimensional barcode

3270	Information Display System
3BL	triple bottom line
3-D	three dimensions or three-dimensional
3G	third generation of mobile telephony
3PL	third-party logistics
3Vs	volume, variety and velocity
40GbE	40 Gigabit Ethernet
4-D printing	four-dimensional printing
4G	fourth-generation wireless
7W	seven wastes
8-VSB	8-level vestigial sideband
A.I.	Airborne Internet
A/m, Oe, oersted	ampere per meter
A+	A Plus
AA	modem lights
AAA	authentication, authorization, and accounting
AAA server	authentication, authorization, and accounting
AAR	Apple Authorized Reseller
AARP	AppleTalk Address Resolution Protocol
AAUI	Apple attachment unit interface
ab W	abohm
abA	abampere
ABAP	Advanced Business Application Programming
ABB	activity-based budgeting
ABBH	average bouncing busy hour
ABC	activity-based costing
abC	abcoulomb
abend	abnormal end
abF	abfarad
abH	abhenry
ABM	activity-based management
ABP	Microsoft Exchange Address Book Policy
abS	absiemens
abV	abvolt
ABVS	Automated Best Value System
ABVS	automated best value system

abW	abwatt
AC-3	Dolby Digital
ACD	Automatic Call Distributor
ACeS	Asia Cellular Satellite System
ACF2 or CA-ACF2	Access Control Facility
ACH	Automated Clearing House
ACH fraud	Automated Clearing House fraud
ACID	atomicity, consistency, isolation, and durability
ACL	access control list
ACM	Association for Computing Machinery
ACO	accountable care organization
ACPI	Advanced Configuration and Power Interface
ACR	attenuation-to-crosstalk ratio
ACT	Application Compatibility Toolkit
ACTA	America's Carriers Telecommunications Association
ACTS	Automatic Coin Telephone System
ACTS	Automatic Coin Telephone System
ACV	all commodity volume
AD CS	Active Directory Certificate Services
AD domain	Active Directory domain
AD forest	Active Directory forest
AD tree	Active Directory tree
ADAT	Alesis Digital Audio Tape
ADC	automated data collection
ADC	analog-to-digital conversion
ADE	qutomated data entry
ADF	automatic document feed
ADO	ActiveX Data Objects
ADP	Automatic Data Processing Inc.
ADP	automatic data processing
ADPCM	adaptive differential pulse-code modulation
ADS	alternate data stream
ADSI	Analog Display Services Interface
ADSL	Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line
ADSM	ADSTAR Distributed Storage Management
AES	Advanced Encryption Standard

AES/EBU	Audio Engineers Society/European Broadcasting Union
AET	advanced evasion technique
AF	audio frequency or a.f.
AFC	pixie dust or antiferromagnetically-coupled
AFIS	Automated Fingerprint Identification System
AFM	atomic force microscopy
AFP	Advanced Function Printing
AFS	Andrew file system
aglet	agile applet
AGP	Accelerated Graphics Port
AHA	Accelerated Hub Architecture
AHIMA	American Health Information Management Association
AHRQ	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
AHT	average handle time
AI	Artificial Intelligence
AIBO	Artificial Intelligence roBOt
AICPA	American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
AID	automatic identification
AIDC	Automatic Identification and Data Capture
AIFF	Audio Interchange File Format
AIM	application integration middleware
AIMS	agile infrastructure for manufactured systems
AIN	Advanced Intelligent Network
AIT	advanced intelligent tape
AIX	Advanced Interactive eXecutive
Ajax	Asynchronous JavaScript and XML
AKO	Army Knowledge Online
AL	access list
ALE	Application Link Enabling
ALM	application lifecycle management
ALPR	Automated License Plate Recognition
alt.	alternate newsgroup
ALU	arithmetic-logic unit
Amazon EC2	Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud
Amazon EMR	Amazon Elastic MapReduce
Amazon FPS	Amazon Flexible Payments Service

Amazon S3	Amazon Simple Storage Service
AMD	Advanced Micro Devices
AMD-V	AMD virtualization
AMI	Amazon Machine Image
AMI	advanced metering infrastructure
AMIA	American Medical Informatics Association
AML	anti-money laundering software
AMPS	Advanced Mobile Phone Service
AMR	ambulatory medical record
AMR	automated meter reading
AMR	Audio/Modem Riser or AMR slot
AMT	advanced manufacturing technology
AMTOR	amateur teleprinting over radio
AMU or amu	atomic mass unit
ANI	Automatic Number Identification
animated GIF	Graphics Interchange Format
ANQP	Access Network Query Protocol
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
AoE	ATA over Ethernet
AOI	automated optical inspection
AOP	aspect-oriented programming
AOSP	Android Open Source Project
AP	Adaptive Planning
AP	accounts payable
Apache Hadoop YARN	Yet Another Resource Negotiator
APAR	authorized program analysis report
API	application program interface
APICS	American Production and Inventory Control Society
APIPA	Automatic Private IP Addressing
APL	a programming language
APM	application performance monitoring
APM	application portfolio management
APO	advanced planning and optimization
APO	Advanced Planner and Optimizer
AppBlast	Project AppBlast
APPC	Advanced Program-to-Program Communication or LU 6.2

Apple VPP	Apple Volume Purchase Program
Apple WWDC	Apple Worldwide Developers Conference
APPN	Advanced Peer-to-Peer Networking
APQP	advanced product quality planning
APS	advanced planning and scheduling
APT	advanced persistent threat
AR	accounts receivable
AR	augmented reality
ARAX	Asynchronous Ruby and XML
ARIN	American Registry of Internet Numbers
Arista EOS	Arista Extensible Operating System
ARJ	Archive Robert Jung
ARP	Address Resolution Protocol
ARPA	Advanced Research Projects Agency
ARPU	average revenue per user or average revenue per unit
ARQ	automatic repeat request
ARRA	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
ARRL	American Radio Relay League
AS	autonomous system
AS/400	IBM iSeries, AS/400e, eServer iSeries/400
AS1	Applicability Statement 1
AS2	Applicability Statement 2
ASAP	AcceleratedSAP
ASCII	American Standard Code for Information Interchange
ASD	agile software development
ASE	Adaptive Server Enterprise
ASF	Apache Software Foundation
ASHRAE	American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers
ASIC	application-specific integrated circuit
ASIO	Audio Stream Input/Output
ASLR	address space layout randomization
ASN	advanced shipping notice
ASN.1	Abstract Syntax Notation One
ASP	authorized service provider
ASP	application service provider

ASP	Active Server Page
ASP+	ASP.NET
ASPI	Advanced SCSI Programming Interface
ASPI driver	Advanced SCSI Programming Interface driver
ASPIC	Application Service Provider Industry Consortium
ASQ	American Society for Quality
ASR	automated speech recognition
ASRS	automated storage retrieval systems
ASSP	application-specific standard product
AST	automated storage tiering
ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials
ASUG	Americas' SAP Users' Group
ATA	American Telemedicine Association
ATA	analog telephone adapter
ATA	Advanced Technology Attachment
ATAPI	AT Attachment Packet Interface
ATE	automated test equipment
ATE	automated test equipment
ATL	Active Template Library
ATM	asynchronous transfer mode
ATO	assemble to order
ATP	advanced technology program
ATR	automated trouble reporting
ATS	applicant tracking system
ATSC	Advanced Television Systems Committee
ATU-R	ADSL Terminal Unit - Remote
ATV	advanced television
ATVEF	Advanced Television Enhancement Forum
AUI	attachment unit interface
AUP	acceptable use policy
AV	audio/video
AVA	anonymous video analytics
AVI file	Audio Video Interleaved file
AVL	approved vendor list
AVL	automatic vehicle locator
AWG	American Wire Gauge

AWIS	Alexa Web Information Service
AWS	Amazon Web Services
AWT	Abstract Window Toolkit
AXI	automated X-ray inspection
AXT	alien crosstalk
B2B	Business to Business
B2B	Business2Business or Business-to-Business
B2C	Business To Consumer
B2C	Business2Consumer or Business-to-Consumer
B2E	Business2Employee or Business-to-Employee
B2G	Business2Government or Business-to-Government
B8ZS	bipolar 8-zero substitution, binary 8-zero substitution, clear channel, clear 64
BA	business analytics
BA	business agility
BAA	HIPAA business associate agreement
BAA	broad agency announcement
BAL	Basic Assembler Language
BAL	Basic Assembler Language or branch-and-link
BAM	business activity monitoring
BAM	Bottleneck Allocation Methodology
BAPI	Business Application Programming Interface
bash	Bourne Again Shell
BBCs	buffer credits or buffer-to-buffer credits
BBS	bulletin board system
BC Set	Business Configuration Set
BCBS	Basel Committee on Banking Supervision
Bcc	blind carbon copy or blind courtesy copy
BCDR	Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery
B-channel	bearer channel
BCI	brain-computer interface
BCM	business continuity management
BCMA	Bar Coded Medication Administration
BDaaS	big data as a service
BEDO DRAM	Burst Extended Data Output DRAM
Bellcore	Bell Communications Research

BER	bit error rate
BES	BlackBerry Enterprise Server
BEST	Business / Enterprise State Transfer
BEx	Business Explorer
BGAN	Broadband Global Area Network
BGP	Border Gateway Protocol
BHIE	Bidirectional Health Information Exchange
BI	business intelligence
BIA	business impact analysis
BIC	Best In Class
BIC	business information center
BIC	bank identifier code
BICC	business intelligence competency center
BICC	Bearer Independent Call Control
Big Data	big data
BIOS	basic input/output system
BISDN	Broadband Integrated Services Digital Network
BIST	Built In Self Test
bit	binary digit
BLOB	binary large object
BMAN	Broadband Metropolitan Area Network
BMC	baseboard management controller
BMP	Best Manufacturing Practices
BMS	battery management system
BNC	Bayonet Neil-Concelman or British Naval Connector
BOB	branch office box
BOC	Bell operating company
BOH	Balance On Hand
BOL	beginning of life
BOM	Bill Of Materials
BOOTP	Bootstrap Protocol
Box	Box.net
BP&F	budgeting, planning and forecasting
BPA	business process automation
BPaaS	Business Process as a Service
BPCS	Business Planning and Control System

BPEL	Business Process Execution Language
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BPI	business process improvement
BPL	Broadband over Power Line
BPM	business process management
BPMI	Business Process Management Initiative
BPML	Business Process Modeling Language
BPMN	Business Process Modeling Notation
BPMN	Business Process Modeling Notation
BPMS	Business process management suite
BPO	business process outsourcing
BPR	business process reengineering
BPR	Business Process Reengineering
BPS	bulk power system
bps or bit/sec	bits per second
BRE	business rules engine
BREW	Binary Runtime Environment for Wireless
BRI	Basic Rate Interface
BSA	Bank Secrecy Act
BSA	Business Software Alliance
BSD	Berkeley Software Distribution
BSOD	blue screen of death
BSP	business service provider
BT	business technology
BTF	Build To Forecast
BTM	business technology management
BTO	Build To Order
BTOP	Broadband Technology Opportunities Program
BTP	Business Transaction Protocol
BTS	Build To Stock
Btu	British thermal unit
BU	backup utility
BURN-Proof	Buffer Under Run Error Proof
burst SRAM	SynchBurst SRAM
BYOA	bring your own apps
BYOD	bring your own device

BYOD workplace	bring your own device workplace
BYOE	bring your own encryption
BYOI	bring your own identity
BYON	bring your own network
BYOT	bring your own technology
BYOx	bring your own everything
C&C; server	command-and-control server
CA	cellular automaton
CA	certificate authority
CaaS	Communications as a Service
CAC	call admission control
CAC	common access card
CACS	computer assisted coding system
CAD	Computer-Aided Design
CAD	computer-aided design
CAD/CAM	computer-aided design/computer-aided manufacturing
CADE	Corporate Average Data center Efficiency
CAE	Computer-Aided Engineering
CAE	computer-aided engineering
CAES	compressed air energy storage
CAFC	Container on Flat Car
CAFE	Corporate Average Fuel Economy
CAGR	Compound Annual Growth Rate
CAIV	Cost As (An) Independent Variable
CalConnect	Calendaring and Scheduling Consortium
CALEA	Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act
CALS	Continuous Acquisition and Life-Cycle Support
CAM	corporate account manager
CAM	Computer-Aided Manufacturing
CAM-I	Consortium for Advanced Manufacturing -- International
CAMM	Common Assurance Maturity Model
CAMU	Computerized Assembly Mock Up
CAN	corporate area network
CAP	carrierless amplitude/phase
CAP theorem	Brewer's theorem
Capex	capital expenditure

CAPI	Common Application Programming Interface
CAPM	cloud application performance management
CAPOSS	CApacity Planning and Operation Sequence Scheduling
CAPP	Computer-aided process planning
CAPTCHA	Completely Automated Public Turing Test to tell Computers and Humans Apart
CAS	Client Access Server
CAS	channel-associated signaling
CAS	content-addressed storage
CASA	Computer and Automated Systems Association
CASE	Computer-Aided System Engineering
CASE	computer-aided software engineering
CATT	Computer Aided Test Tool
CATV	community access television
CAVE	Cave Automatic Virtual Environment
CB	Citizen's Band Radio
CBA	cost-benefit analysis
CBC	cipher block chaining
CBSA	Component Based Solution Assembly
CBT	Computer-Based Training
CBT	Changed Block Tracking
CBT	computer-based training
CC	Common Criteria
CCB	Change Control Board
CCD	Continuity of Care Document
CCD	charge-coupled device
CCEVS	Common Criteria Evaluation and Validation Scheme for IT Security
CCIE	Cisco Certified Internetwork Expert
CCITT or ITU-T	Telecommunication Standardization Sector of the International Telecommunications
CCJ	collaborative citizen journalism
CCK	Complementary Code Keying
CCM	Color Changing Material
CCMM	cloud computing maturity model
CCMP	Counter Mode with Cipher Block Chaining Message Authentication Code Protocol
CCNA	Cisco Certified Network Associate

CCNP	Cisco Certified Network Professional
CCO	chief customer officer
CCO	Corporate or Chief Compliance Officer
CCR	Continuity of Care Record
CCR	Central Contractor Registration
CCS	common channel signaling
CCS	hundred call second or centum call second
CCSP	Cisco Certified Security Professional
CCTV	closed circuit television
CCTV	closed circuit television
CD	cardholder data
CD	compact disc
CD burner	CD recorder
CDA	Clinical Document Architecture
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDC	change data capture
CDD	contract delivery date
CDDI	Copper Distributed Data Interface
CDE	Common Desktop Environment
CDE	cardholder data environment
CDF	Channel Definition Format
CDI	customer data integration
CD-i	Compact Disc - interactive
CDMA	Code-Division Multiple Access
CDMA One	cdmaOne or code-division multiple access one
CDMA2000	IMT-CDMA Multi-Carrier or code-division multiple access 2000
CD-MO	CD-Magneto Optical
CDN	content delivery network
CDO	Chief Digital Officer
CDO	Collaboration Data Objects
CDO	chief data officer
CDP	clean desk policy
CDPD	Cellular Digital Packet Data
CDR	call detail record
CDR	Computed Dental Radiography
CD-R	compact disc, recordable

CD-ROM XA	Compact Disc - read-only-memory, extended architecture
CD-RW	compact disc, rewriteable
CDSL	Consumer Digital Subscriber Line
CDSS	clinical decision support system
CdTe	cadmium telluride
CEBP	communications-enabled business processes
CELL	Cell processor
CEM	customer experience management
CEMS	Contract Electronic Manufacturing Services
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CEP	complex event processing
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Litigation Act
CERN	Conseil Europeen pour la Recherche Nucleaire
CERT	Computer Emergency Readiness Team
CES	Consumer Electronics Show
CF card	CompactFlash card
CFAA	Computer Fraud and Abuse Act
CFAR	Collaboration Forecasting and Replenishment
CFB	ciphertext feedback
CFD	Computational Fluid Dynamics
CFD	computational fluid dynamics
CFI	custom factory integration
CFL	compact fluorescent light bulb
CFM	Continuous Flow Manufacturing
CFML	ColdFusion Markup Language
CFO	Chief Financial Officer
CFR	call failure rate
CG	Consumer Goods
CGI	common gateway interface
CGMP	Current Good Manufacturing Practices
CGO	Chief Green Officer
CHAP	Challenge-Handshake Authentication Protocol
CHDR	Clinical Data Repository/Health Data Repository
CHI	Consolidated Health Informatics
CHIME	College of Healthcare Information Management Executives

CHKDSK	check disk
chmod	change mode
CHRO	chief human resources officer
CHTML	Compact HTML
CI	customer intelligence
CI	Continuous Improvement
CI	continuous integration
CI	competitive intelligence
CIA	confidentiality, integrity, and availability
CICS	Customer Information Control System
CIDM	Customer-Integrated Decision Making
CIDR	supernetting or Classless Inter-Domain Routing
CIDR	Classless Inter-Domain Routing or supernetting
CIFS	Common Internet File System
CIM	Common Information Model
CIO	Chief Information Officer
CIPE	Compressed Integrated Product Engineering
CIR	committed information rate
CIS	cloud-integrated storage
CIS	Center for Internet Security
CISA	Certified Information Systems Auditor
CISC	complex instruction set computer or computing
Cisco IOS	Cisco Internetwork Operating System
Cisco LISP	Location Identifier Separation Protocol
CISM	certified information security manager
CISO	chief information security officer
CISPA	Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act of 2011
CISP-PCI	Cardholder Information Security Program - Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard
CISS	Cisco Information Security Specialist
CISSP	Certified Information Systems Security Professional
CIW	Certified Internet Webmaster
CIW	Computer Intensive Workload
CKO	chief knowledge officer
CL	cluster log
CLASS	Capacity Loading and Operation Sequence Scheduling

CLEC	competitive local exchange carrier
CLI	Common Language Infrastructure
CLI	command line interface
Click Fraud	pay-per-click fraud
CLM	Council For Logistics Management
CLO	chief learning officer
cloud DR	cloud disaster recovery
cloud NAS	cloud network attached storage
CLR	Common Language Runtime
clustered NAS	Clustered network-attached storage
CM	configuration management
CM	Contract Manufacturer
CM	content management
CMA	content management application
CMDB	configuration management database
CMDM	Collaborative Master Data Management
CMIO	Chief Medical Information Officer
CMIP	Common Management Information Protocol
CMIS	Content Management Interoperability Services
CMM	Capability Maturity Model
CMO	chief marketing officer
CMOS	complementary metal-oxide semiconductor
CMOx	conductive metal-oxide
CMR	customer-managed relationship
CMRP	Capacitated Material Requirements Planning
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
CMS	content management system
CMS	Conversational Monitor System
CMTS	cable modem termination system
CMYK	cyan, magenta, yellow, key
CNA	converged network adapter
CNC	Computer Numerical Control
CNG	comfort noise generator
CNO	cluster name object
CNR	Communication and Networking Riser
CO	central office

CO	capacity optimization
COA	cloud-oriented architecture
COA	chart of accounts
COA	Continuous Ordering Agreement
COB	Chip On Board
COBOL	Common Business Oriented Language
COD	capacity on demand
COGS	Cost of Goods Sold
CoIP	communications over Internet Protocol
COLD	Computer Output to Laser Disk
colo	colocation
COM	Component Object Model
Commerce XML	cXML or Commerce Extensible Markup Language
CompTIA	Computing Technology Industry Association
CONUS	continental United States
COO	Chief Operating Officer
COO	Cost of Ownership
COO	Cell of Origin
COPE	corporate-owned, personally-enabled
COPPA	Children's Online Privacy Protection Act
COPS	Common Open Policy Service Protocol
CORBA	Common Object Request Broker Architecture
corporate VM	corporate virtual machine
COS	Class of Service
CoS	Class of Service
COTS	Commercial Off The Shelf
COTS	commercial off-the-shelf
CP	configuration profile
CP	Cost Performance
CP	control plane
CPCA	California Primary Care Association
CPE	customer premises equipment
CPG	consumer packaged goods
CPIM	Certified in Production and Inventory Management
CPIO	Chief Process and Innovation Officer
CPL	computer pidgin language

CPM	corporate performance management
CPM	Certified Purchasing Manager
CPM	critical path method
CPNI	Customer Proprietary Network Information
CPO	Chief Procurement Officer
CPOE	computerized physician order entry
CPPS	Cost Performance Products Sector
CPRM	Content Protection for Removable Media
CPS	cycles per second
CPT	Current Procedural Terminology
CPU	central processing unit
CPW	Commercial Processing Workload
CQA	Certified Quality Auditor
CQE	Certified Quality Engineer
CR	cognitive radio
CRA	customer relationship analysis
CRAC	computer room air conditioning unit
CRAH	computer room air handler
CRAM	challenge-response authentication mechanism
CRC	Cyclic Redundancy Check
CRC-4	Cyclic Redundancy Check 4
Credit CARD Act	Credit Card Accountability, Responsibility, and Disclosure Act of 2009
CRL	Certificate Revocation List
CRM	Customer Relationship Management
CRM	citizen relationship management
CRM	customer relationship management
CRO	Chief Risk Officer
CRP	Capacity Requirements Planning
CRT	Current Reality Tree
CRT	cathode ray tube
CRUSH	Controlled Replication Under Scalable Hashing
CSA	Cloud Security Alliance
CSAT	customer satisfaction
CSBB	Client Side Browser Based
CSC	customer service chat
CSC	common short code

CSD	circuit switched data
CSI	Customer Satisfaction Index
CSIRT	Computer Security Incident Response Team
CSMA/CA	Carrier Sense Multiple Access/Collision Avoidance
CSMA/CD	Carrier Sense Multiple Access/Collision Detect
CSO	Chief Strategy Officer
CSO	Chief Security Officer
CSP	Commerce Service Provider
CSR	corporate social responsibility
CSR	Carrier Sensitive Routing
CSR	Certificate Signing Request
CSS	customer service and support
CSS	Content Scrambling System
CSS	cascading style sheet
CSS	customer self-service
CSS1	Cascading Style Sheet, level 1
CSU/DSU	Channel Service Unit/Data Service Unit
CSV	comma-separated values file
CSV	Cluster Shared Volumes
CTC	click-to-talk
CTC	community technology center
CTCI	Computer-to-computer interface
CTD	cumulative trauma disorder
CTE	Committee on Trade and the Environment
CTFT	color thin film transistor
CTG	Council for Trade in Goods
CTI	computer-telephony integration
CTO	Chief Technology Officer
CTO	Configure To Order
CTOps team	counterthreat operations team
CTP	CloudTrust Protocol
CTP	Capability To Promise
CTP	common test platform
CTR	clickthrough rate
CUE	carbon usage effectiveness
CULV	consumer ultra-low voltage

custom TLD	custom domain name suffix
CVC	Calibrated Vectored Cooling
CVE	Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures
CVO	chief visionary officer
CVS	Concurrent Versions System
CVV	card verification value
CWDM	coarse wavelength division multiplexing
CWE	Common Weakness Enumeration
CWF	common working file
CWNP	Certified Wireless Networking Professional
CX	consumer experience
CXO	chief experience officer
D2D2C	disk-to-disk-to-cloud
D2D2T	disk-to-disk-to-tape
DA	data analytics
DAA	Data Access Arrangement
DaaS	Desktop as a Service
DaaS provider	Desktop as a Service provider
DAB	digital audio broadcasting
DAC	digital-to-analog conversion
DAC	Microsoft Dynamic Access Control
DAFS	Direct Access File System
DAG	database availability group
DAI	Dynamic ARP Inspection
DAM	database activity monitoring
DAMA	Design Anywhere Manufacture Anywhere
DAML	DARPA Agent Markup Language
D-AMPS	Digital-Advanced Mobile Phone Service
DAO	Data Access Objects
DAQ	Data Acquisition
DARC	Defense Acquisition Regulatory Council
DARPA	Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency
DAS	distributed antenna system
DAS	direct-attached storage
DASD	direct access storage device
DAT	Digital Audio Tape

DAW	digital audio workstation
DBA	database administrator
DBaaS	Database as a Service
dBc	decibels relative to carrier
dBd	decibels related to dipole antenna
dBi	decibels relative to isotropic radiator
DBIR	Verizon Data Breach Investigations Report
dBm	decibels relative to one milliwatt
DBMS	Database Management System
DBMS	database management system
dBmV	decibels relative to one millivolt
DBOR	database of record
dBr	decibels relative to reference level
DBS	demand-based switching
DBS	direct broadcast satellite
DB-xx	DB-9, DB-15, DB-25, DB-50, DB-68
DC	Distribution Center
DC	direct current
DCaaS	data center as a service
DCB	data center bridging
DCE	Distributed Computing Environment
DCIE	data center infrastructure efficiency
DCIM	data center infrastructure management
DCIT	Digital Compression of Increased Transmission
DCM	dynamic case management
DCMA	Defense Contract Management Agency
DCML	Data Center Markup Language
DCO	data center outsourcing
DCOM	Distributed Component Object Model
DCPA	Distributed Control Plane Architecture
DCPromo	Domain Controller Promoter
DCS	Distributed Control System
DDB	Amazon Dynamo Database
DDBMS	distributed database management system
DDCD	Double-Density Compact Disk
DDDM	data-driven decision management

DDE	Dynamic Data Exchange
DDE	Dynamic Data Exchange
DDK	driver development kit
DDL	Data Definition Language
DDM	demand-driven manufacturing
DDM	direct digital marketing
DDoS	distributed denial-of-service attack
DDR SDRAM	double data rate SDRAM
DDS, DDS-1, DDS-2, DDS-3, DDS-4	Digital Data Storage
DEC	Digital Equipment Corporation
DECT	Digital Enhanced Cordless Telecommunications
DEM	Dynamic Enterprise Modeling
demarc	demarcation point
DEN	Directory-Enabled Networking
DES	Distributed Execution System
DES	Data Encryption Standard
DES	discrete event simulation
DFA	Design for Assembly
DFAA	Design for Automated Assembly
DFB	Distributed Feedback
DFD	Design for Disassembly
DFE	Design For Environment
DFL	Demand Flow Leadership
DFM	Demand Flow Management
DFM	digital footprint management
DFS	Distributed Factory System
DFS	distributed file system
DFSC	Design for Supply Chain
DFT	Demand Flow Technology
DG	data governance
DHA	directory harvest attack
DHCP	Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
DHS	U.S. Department of Homeland Security
DICOM	Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine
DID	Direct Inward Dialing

DIME	Direct Internet Message Encapsulation
DIMM	dual in-line memory module
direct Telnet	reverse Telnet
DirSync	Windows Azure Active Directory Sync
DISA	Defense Information Systems Agency
Diskpart	Disk Partition Utility
Divx	Digital Video Express
DLC	data link control
DLL	dynamic link library
DLM	data life cycle management
DLP	data loss prevention
DLT	digital linear tape
DMA	Direct Memory Access
DMAIC	define, measure, analyze, improve, control
DMB	digital multimedia broadcasting
DMCA	Digital Millennium Copyright Act
DMD	Direct Metal Deposition
DMI	Digital Migration Interface
DMI	Desktop Management Interface
DMP	data management platform
DMP	dynamic multi-pathing
DMR	direct market reseller
DMS	Defense Message System
DMT	discrete multitone
DMTF	Distributed Management Task Force
DMVPN	dynamic multipoint VPN
DMZ	demilitarized zone
DNC	Direct Numerical Control
DNC	distributive numerical control
DNG	Digital Negative
DNIS	Dialed Number Identification Service
DNN	DotNetNuke
DNS	domain name system
DNSSEC	DNS Security Extensions
DNT	Do Not Track
DO	derived object

DOC	Department of Commerce
DoCoMo	NTT DoCoMo
DOCSIS	Data Over Cable Service Interface Specifications
DOD	Department of Defense
DOD	Direct Outward Dialing
DOE	Department of Energy
DOI	digital object identifier
DOL	Department of Labor
DOLAP	Desktop OnLine Analytical Processing
DOLS	Domino Off-Line Services
DOM	Document Object Model
DoPa	DoCoMo Packet Transmission
DoS	denial of service
DOS	Disk Operating System
DOVE	IBM DOVE
DP	Design Postponement
DP	data plane
DPA	differential power analysis
DPI	deep packet inspection
dpi	dots per inch
DPL	Digital Powerline
DPM	data protection management
DPMI	DOS Protected Mode Interface
DR	disaster recovery
DRA	data recovery agent
DRaaS	disaster recovery as a service
DRAM	dynamic random access memory
DRBD	Distributed Replicated Block Device
DRC	Design Rule Checking
DRDRAM	Rambus Dynamic Random Access Memory
DRIPS	data reduction in primary storage
DRM	digital rights management
DRM	device relationship management
DROP	delivery of real-time execution information protocol
DRP	disaster recovery plan
DRP	Distribution Requirements Planning

DRS	Storage Distributed Resource Scheduler
DSB	Dispute Settlement Body
DSC	Digital Still Camera
DSLAM	Digital Subscriber Line Access Multiplexer
DSLR camera	digital single lense reflux
DSML	Directory Services Markup Language
DSN	Deep Space Network
DSN	data source name
DSO	Days Sale Outstanding
DSO	data source object
DSO exploit	data source object exploit
DSOM	Distributed System Object Model
DSP	Digital Signal Processor
DSP	digital signal processing
DSR	Demand signal repository
DSR	Dynamic Source Routing
DSRM	Directory Services Restore Mode
DSRP	Demand Solutions Requirements Planning
DSS	decision support system
DSS	Decision Support System
DSS	Digital Signature Standard
DSSS	direct sequence spread spectrum
DSSSL	Document Style Semantics and Specification Language
DST	Daylight Saving Time
DSTP	Data Space Transfer Protocol
DTD	Document Type Definition
DTE	Direct-to-Edit
DTE	Data Terminal Equipment
DTMF	dual tone multi frequency
DTN	disruption-tolerant network
DTP	Distributed Transaction Processing
DTP	Digital Text Platform
DTR	data transfer rate
DTTV	digital terrestrial television
DTV	digital television
DTX	discontinuous transmission

DUNDi	Distributed Universal Number Discovery
Duqu	W32.Duqu
DUT	Device Under Test
DVB	Digital Video Broadcasting
DVD	Digital Video Disk
DVD	digital video disk
DVD-A	DVD-Audio
D-VHS	Digital Video Home System
DVI	Digital Visual Interface
DVMRP	Distance Vector Multicast Routing Protocol
DW	Data Warehousing
DWDM	dense wavelength division multiplexing
DXL	Domino Extensible Language
dynamic BPM	business process management
dynamic SQL	Dynamic Structured Query Language
E&M;	ear and mouth
E&O	Excess and Obsolete
E. F. Codd	Edgar F. "Ted" Codd
E2E	exchange-to-exchange
E2K	Exchange 2000
E911	Enhanced 911
EA	enterprise architecture
EA	emotions analytics
EaaS	Ethernet as a service
EaaS	encryption as a service
EAC	Exchange Administration Center
EAI	External Application Interface
EAI	enterprise application integration
EAM	enterprise asset management
EAP	employee assistance program
EAP	Extensible Authentication Protocol
EB	exabyte
EBCDIC	Extended Binary Coded Decimal Interchange Code
EBIF	Enhanced TV Binary Interchange Format
EBITDA	earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization
EBPP	electronic bill presentment and payment

EBR	Electronic Batch Record
EBXML	Electronic Business XML
ebXML	electronic business xml
EC	enterprise collaboration
EC	Electronic Commerce
ECASS	silence machine or Electronic Controlled Acoustic Shadow System
ECB	Electronic Code Book
ECC	Error Correction Code
ECC	elliptical curve cryptography
ECC	error correction code or error checking and correcting
ECCS	European Cloud Computing Strategy
E-CD	enhanced CD
ECDL	European Computer Driving License
ECM	Engineering Change Management
ECM	enterprise content management
ECMAScript	European Computer Manufacturers Association Script
ECN	Electronic Change Notice
ECO	Engineering (or Electronic) Change Order
ECOphlex	PHase-change Liquid EXchange
ECPA	Electronic Communications Privacy Act
ECR	Efficient Consumer Response
ECRC	Electronic Commerce Resource Center
EDA	Electronic Document Access
EDA	event-driven architecture
EDE	electronic disposal efficiency
EDGAR	Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval
EDGE	Enhanced Data GSM Environment
EDI	Electronic Data Interchange
EDI	Electronic Data Interchange
EDIFACT	Electronic Data Interchange for Administration, Commerce and Transport
EDL	enhanced driver's license
EDM	enterprise document management
EDM	Electronic Discharge Machine
EDM	Electrical Discharge Machine or Machining
EDM	Electronic Document Management
EDMS	Engineering Document Management Systems

EDO RAM	extended data output RAM
EDP	electronic data processing
EDR	enterprise data replication
EDRAM	enhanced dynamic random access memory
EDRM	electronic discovery reference model
EEF	Encyclopedia of Ethical Failure
EEOC	Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
EEPROM	electrically erasable programmable read-only memory
EES	Engineering Execution Systems
EES	Escrowed Encryption Standard
EF sensing	electric field sensing
EFF	Electronic Frontier Foundation
EFI	Electronic Freight Invoice
EFS	Encrypting File System
EFT	Electronic Funds Transfer
EFT	Electronic Funds Transfer
EggFusion	egg-vertising
EGP	Exterior Gateway Protocol
EHR	electronic health record
EI	emotional intelligence
EIA	Electronic Industries Association or Electronics Industries Alliance
EIC	Earned Income Credit
eICU	electronic intensive care unit
EIDE	Enhanced Integrated Drive Electronics
EIGRP	Enhanced Interior Gateway Routing Protocol
EIM	enterprise information management
EIM	Enterprise Identity Mapping
eInk	E Ink
EIP	enterprise information portal
EIS	Executive Information System
EISA	Extended Industry Standard Architecture
EISA	Extended Industry Standard Architecture
EJB	Enterprise JavaBeans
ELED	entangled light-emitting diode
ELF	extremely low frequency
ELM	event log manager

ELMS	Event log management software
ELT	Extract, Load, Transform
ELV	End of Life Vehicle
EMAS	Eco-Management and Audit Scheme
EMC	Exchange Management Console
EMCCA	EMC cloud architect certification
EME	moonbounce or Earth-Moon-Earth
EMET	Microsoft Enhanced Mitigation Experience Toolkit
EMF	Enhanced MetaFile
EMI	Early Manufacturing Involvement
EMI	electromagnetic interference
eMLC	enterprise MLC
EMM	enterprise mobility management
EMP	electromagnetic pulse
EMR	electronic medical record
EMS	Microsoft Exchange Management Shell
EMS	Effective Management Systems
EMS	Enhanced Messaging Service
ENISA	European Network and Information Security Agency
e-nose	electronic nose
EoIP	Electricity over IP
EOL	end of life
EOM	end of message
EOP	Microsoft Exchange Online Protection
EOQ	Economic Order Quantity
EPA	Microsoft Exchange Server Profile Analyzer
EPC	Evolved Packet Core
EPD	electronic paper display
EPEAT	Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool
EPG	electronic program guide
ePHI	electronic protected health information
EPIC	Electronic Privacy Information Center
EPIC	Explicitly Parallel Instruction Computing
EPOD	electronic publishing on demand
EPOP	Ethernet point-of-presence
EPP/ECP	Enhanced Parallel Port/Enhanced Capability Port

EPR	endpoint reference
ERA	Electronic Remittance Advice
ERC	Engineering Reseach Center
ERD or ER diagram	entity-relationship diagram
ERM	enterprise relationship management
ERM	Environmental Resource Management
ERM	enterprise resource management
ERM Group	Environmental Resource Management
ERM or ER model	entity-relationship model
ERMS	email response management service
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning
ERP	enterprise resource planning
ERS	Evaluated Receipt Settlement
eRx	e-prescribing
ESA	Enterprise Services Architecture
ESB	enterprise service bus
ESCD	Extended System Configuration Data
ESCON	Enterprise Systems Connection
ESD	electrostatic discharge
ESDI	Enhanced Small Device Interface
ESDRAM	Enhanced Synchronous DRAM
ESE	Environmentally Sustainable Electronics
ESI	electronically stored information
ES-IS	End System-to-Intermediate System
ESMR	Enhanced Specialized Mobile Radio
ESMTP	Extended Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
ESP	event stream processing
ESS	employee self-service
Ethernet/IP	Ethernet Industrial Protocol
ETL	extract, transform, load
ETM	Enterprise Transportation Management
ETO	Engineer To Order
ETP	Enterprise Transportation Planning
ETRN	Extended Turn
ETSI	European Telecommunications Standards Institute
EUC platform	end user computing platform

EULA	End User License Agreement
EUTELSAT	European Telecommunications Satellite Organization
EUVL	extreme ultraviolet lithography
EV	Electric Vehicle
EVA	Economic Value Added
EV-DO	1x Evolution-Data Optimized
EVM	Earned Value Management
EWS	Exchange Web Services
EWSD	Electronic Worldwide Switch Digital
ExBPA	Exchange Best Practices Analyzer
ExRCA	Exchange Remote Connectivity Analyzer
EZ/EC	Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community
ezine	electronic magazine
FA	Flexible Automation
FACTA	Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act
FAQ	frequently-asked questions
FAR	Federal Acquisition Regulation
FAS	Final Assembly Schedule
FASAB	Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board
FASAB	Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board
FAT	file allocation table
FAWN	fast array of wimpy nodes
FBE	Framework Based Environment
FC	Windows Azure Fabric Controller
FCA	Flip Chip Assembly
FC-AL	Fibre Channel Arbitrated Loop
FCAPS	fault-management, configuration, accounting, performance, and security
FCC	Federal Communications Commission
FCIA	Fibre Channel Industry Association
FCIP or FC/IP	Fibre Channel over IP
FCoE	Fibre Channel over Ethernet
FCP	Finite Capacity Planning
FC-PGA	flip chip-pin grid array
FCR	first call resolution
FCRA	Fair Credit Reporting Act
FCRA	Fair Credit Reporting Act

FCS	Finite Capacity Scheduling
FDCC	Federal Desktop Core Configuration
FDDI	Fiber Distributed Data Interface
FDE	full-disk encryption
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FDIC	Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
FDM	frequency-division multiplexing
FDMA	frequency division multiple access
FEC	forward error correction
FECN/BECN	forward explicit congestion notification/backward explicit congestion notification
FED	field emission display
FedRAMP	Federal Risk and Authorization Program
FedRAMP 3PAO	third-party assessment organization
FEM	Finite Elements Method
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
FERPA	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974
FET	field-effect transistor
FFIEC compliance	Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council
FG-D	Feature Group D
FHA	Federal Health Architecture
FHIE	Federal Health Information Exchange
FI	Fast Infoset
FICON	Fiber Connectivity
FIFO	First In, First Out
FIFO	first-in, first-out
FIM	federated identity management
FinCEN	Financial Crimes Enforcement Network
FINRA	Financial Industry Regulatory Authority
FiOS	Fiber Optic Service
FIP	Factory Information Protocol
FIP	Fair Information Practices
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standards
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standards
FIS	Factory Information System
FISMA	Federal Information Security Management Act

FITCE	Federation of Telecommunications Engineers of the European Community
FIX protocol	Financial Information Exchange protocol
Fizt	physics tool
FLOPS	floating-point operations per second
FLSA	Fair Labor Standards Act
FLSM	fixed-length subnet mask
FLT	Fermat's Last Theorem
FM	frequency modulation
FMAC	Flexible Mandatory Access Control
FMC	fixed-mobile convergence
FME	Feature Manipulation Engine
FMEA	Failure Mode and Effect Analysis
FMEA	failure mode and effective analysis
FMP	FileMaker
FMS	Flexible Manufacturing System
FMS	fixed-mobile substitution
FnR	Find and replace
FOB	fresh out of the box
FOLED	flexible organic light emitting device
FOPE	Forefront Online Protection for Exchange
FORTRAN	FORmula TRANslation
FOSS	Free and open source software
FP	Finite Planning
FP	fat provisioning
FP&A	financial planning and analysis
FPCA	Foreign Corrupt Practices Act
FPDS	Federal Procurement Data System
FPGA	field-programmable gate array
FPI	Federal Prison Industries
FPM	federated presence management
FPM DRAM	Fast Page Mode DRAM
FpML	Financial Products Markup Language
FPP	Full Packaged Product
fps	frames per second
fps system of units	foot-pound-second system of units
FPT	Fine Pitch Technology

FPU	floating point unit
FQA	frequently questioned answers
FQDN	fully qualified domain name
FRA	Federal Railroad Administration
FRAD	frame relay access device or frame relay assembler/dissembler
FRAM	ferroelectric RAM
FRCP	Federal Rules of Civil Procedure
FROG	Free Roaming On Grid
FRR	fast retransmit and recovery
FRT	Future Reality Tree
FRU	field-replaceable unit
FRU	Field Replaceable Units
FSAN	Full Services Access Network
FSB	frontside bus
FSF	Free Software Foundation
FSK	frequency-shift keying
FSML	Financial Services Markup Language
FSO	free-space optics
FSP	full-service provider
FSRM	File Server Resource Manager
FTA	Federal Transit Authority
FTAM	File Transfer Access Method
FTC	Federal Trade Commission
FTP	File Transfer Protocol
FTP cable	foil screened twisted pair cable
FTS file	full-text search file
FTTC	fiber to the curb
FTTH	fiber to the home
FTTx	fiber to the x
FUD	Fear, Uncertainty, and Doubt
FUN	focus on user needs
Fwbuilder	Firewall Builder
Fx3 or FF3	Firefox 3
FYI	for your information
G2G	government to government
GAAP	Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

GAAP	generally accepted accounting standards
GaAs	gallium arsenide
GaAsFET	gallium arsenide field-effect transistor
GAL	Microsoft Exchange Global Address List
GALP	Good Automated Laboratory Practices
GAN	Generic Access Network
GaN	gallium nitride
GAO	Government Accountability Office
GAO	General Accounting Office
GARP	Generic Attribute Registration Protocol
GATE	General Architecture for Text Engineering
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GB	gigabyte
GBIC	gigabit interface converter
Gbps	billions of bits per second
G-cloud	government cloud
GDMO	Guidelines for Definition of Managed Objects
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
Geek Games	IT Olympics
GEM	Generic Equipment Model
Generation F	Generation Facebook
GESTALT	Grid-based Estimation of Surface Traversability Applied to Local Terrain
GFEBS	General Fund Enterprise Business System
GHz	gigahertz
GIA	Government Information Awareness
GID	group ID or global index file
GIF	Graphics Interchange Format
GIF89a	Graphics Interchange Format Version 89a
gigapop	gigabit point-of-presence
GIGO	garbage in, garbage out
GII	global information infrastructure
GIMP	GNU Image Manipulation Program
GIS	geographic information system
GL	general ledger
GLBA	Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act

GLONASS	Globalnaya Navigatsionnay Sputnikovaya Sistema
GlusterFS	Gluster File System
GLV	grating light valve
GML	Generalized Markup Language
GMP	Good Manufacturing Practices
GMP	good manufacturing practice
GMPLS	Generalized Multiprotocol Label Switching or Multiprotocol Lambda Switching
GMROI	Gross Margin Return on Investment
GNEC	Global Network Enterprise Construct
GNOME	GNU Network Object Model Environment
GNOME	GNU Network Object Model Environment
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
GNU General Public License	GNU GPL or simply GPL
go bosh	Go Big or Stay Home
Google Play	Android Market
gOS	good operating system
GP Editor	Group Policy Editor
GPF	general protection fault
GPO	Group Policy Object
GPRS	General Packet Radio Services
GPS	Global Positioning System
GPS messaging	Global Positioning System messaging or mid-air messaging
GPU	graphics processing unit
GRC	Governance, Risk and Compliance
GRC	governance, risk management and compliance
GRE	Generic Routing Encapsulation
green IT	green information technology
GRUB	GRand Unified Bootloader
GSM	Microsoft System Center Global Service Monitor
GSM	Global System for Mobile communication
GTAG	Global Tag
gTLD	generic top-level domain name
GTM strategy	go-to-market strategy
GUA	graphical password or graphical user authentication

guest VM	guest virtual machine
GUI	graphical user interface
GUI testing	graphical user interface testing
GUID	global unique identifier
GUM	Global Update Manager
GVRP	GARP VLAN Registration Protocol or Generic VLAN Registration Protocol
GWAC	governmentwide acquisition contract
Gy	gray
H.R. 744	I-SPY Act -- Internet Spyware Prevention Act of 2005
H/m	henry per meter
HA	high availability
HA cluster	high availability cluster
HA storage	high-availability storage
HaaS	Hardware as a Service
HAL	hardware abstraction layer
HALO	High Altitude Long Operation
HANA	SAP HANA
Hardy Heron	Ubuntu 8.04 LTS Server Edition
HASA	Highly Accelerated Stress Audit
HAVA	Help America Vote Act of 2002
HAVi	Home Audio Visual
HBA	host bus adapter
HCCA	Health Care Compliance Association
HCI	human-computer interaction
HCM	human capital management
HDCD	High Definition Compatible Digital
HDCP	High-bandwidth Digital Content Protection
HDD	hybrid hard disk drive
HDD	hard disk drive
HD-DVD	high-density DVD
HDFS	Hadoop Distributed File System
HDLC	High-level Data Link Control
HDMI	High-Definition Multimedia Interface
HDML	Handheld Device Markup Language
HD-ROM	High-Density - Read Only Memory
HDSL	High bit-rate Digital Subscriber Line

HDTV	high definition television
HFC network	hybrid fiber coaxial network
HFT	high-frequency trading
HFTP	Hospitality Financial and Technology Professionals
HH	Hand Held
HHD	hybrid hard drive
HHR	hybrid health record
HHS	Health and Human Services
HIDS/NIDS	host intrusion detection systems and network intrusion detection systems
HIE	health information exchange
HIMSS	Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HIPAA omnibus rule	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 omnibus rule
HIPPI	High-Performance Parallel Interface
HiPPO	highest paid person's opinion, highest paid person in the office
HIPS	host intrusion prevention systems
HIT	Health IT
HITA	Hospitality Information Technology Association
HITECH Act	Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act
HKEY	Handle to Registry Key
HLASM	High Level Assembler
HLD	hardware load-balancing device
HLR	Home Location Register
HMAC	Hash-based Message Authentication Code
HMD	Head Mounted Display
HMI	Human Machine Interface
HMIPv6	Hierarchical Mobile IPv6
HOLAP or Hybrid OLAP	hybrid online analytical processing
HomeRF	home radio frequency
HP	High Performance
HP	Hewlett-Packard
HP CSN	HP Channel Services Network
HP VSE	HP Virtual Server Environment
HPC	high-performance computing
HPCC	High Performance Computing and Communications
HPFS	High Performance File System

HP-GL	Hewlett-Packard Graphics Language
HPNA	Home Phoneline Networking Alliance
HPPS	High Performance Product Sector
HPSS	High Performance Storage System
HPV	High Production Volume
HR	human resources
HR	Human Resources
HRM	human resource management
HRM	Human Resource Management
HS 2.0	Hot Spot 2.0
HSCSD	High-Speed Circuit-Switched Data
HSDPA	High-Speed Downlink Packet Access
HSM	Hierarchical Storage Manager
HSM	Hierarchical Storage Management
HSPA	high speed packet access
HSPD-7	Homeland Security Presidential Directive No. 7
HSRP	Hot Standby Router Protocol
HSSI	High-Speed Serial Interface
HT server	hub transport server
HTF	Higgins Trust Framework
HTML	Hypertext Markup Language
HTTP	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
HTTPD	Hypertext Transfer Protocol daemon
HTTPS	HTTP over SSL or HTTP Secure
HUD	Heads Up Display
HUD	heads-up display
HVAC	heating, ventilation, and air conditioning
HVD	hosted virtual desktop
HVD	holographic versatile disc
I&T;	integration testing or integration and testing
I/O	Input Output
I/O	input/output
I/O contention	input/output contention
I/O fencing	input/output fencing
I18N	internationalization
I2C bus	Inter-IC bus

I2S	SQUID
IA	internal audit
IaaS	Infrastructure as a Service
IAB	Internet Advertising Bureau
IAB	Internet Architecture Board
IAM	identity access management
IAM	integrated access management
IANA	Internet Assigned Numbers Authority
IAO	Information Awareness Office
IAP	Internet access provider
IAX	Inter-Asterisk Exchange Protocol
IBM	International Business Machines
IBM TSM	IBM Tivoli Storage Manager
IBP	integrated business planning
IC	integrated circuit
ICANN	Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers
IC-BPMS	integration-centric business process management suite
ICD-10-CM	International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification
ICD-9-CM	International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification
ICE	Information and Content Exchange
ICE	in-circuit emulator
ICE	In Case of Emergency
IcM	incident management
ICM file	Image Color Matching file
ICMP	Internet Control Message Protocol
ICMP sweep	ping sweep
ICP	Internet commerce provider
ICR	intelligent character recognition
ICS	Android 4.0 Ice Cream Sandwich
ICT	information and communications technology - or technologies
ICT4D	Information and Communications Technologies for Development
ID	intrusion detection
IDaaS	identity as a Service
IDE	integrated development environment
IDE	Integrated Drive Electronics

IDEA	International Data Encryption Algorithm
IDEF	Integrated Definition
iDEN	Integrated Digital Enhanced Network
IDF	interface device
IDIS	Integrated Disbursement and Information System
IDL	interface definition language
IDoc	intermediate document
IDS	intrusion detection system
IE	Internet Explorer
IEAK	Internet Explorer Administration Kit
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
IETF	Internet Engineering Task Force
iFCP	Internet Fibre Channel Protocol
IG	Inspector General
IGMP	Internet Group Management Protocol
IGP	Interior Gateway Protocol
iHT2	Institute for Health Technology Transformation
IIOP	Internet Inter-ORB Protocol
IIS	Internet Information Server
IKE	Internet Key Exchange
ILEC	incumbent local exchange carrier
ILM	information life cycle management
IM	infrastructure management
IMA	inverse multiplexing over ATM
IMAP	Internet Message Access Protocol
IMCS	Inventory Management and Control System
IMEI	International Mobile Equipment Identity
IMHO	in my humble opinion
IMS	Intelligent Manufacturing Systems
IMS	IP Multimedia Subsystem
IMS	Information Management System
IMS	Intelligent Manufacturing Systems
IMT	International Mobile Telephone
IMTI	Integrated Manufacturing Technology Initiative
IN	Intelligent Network

Intel VT	Virtualization Technology
InterNIC	Internet Network Information Center
IOPS	Input/Output Operations Per Second
IOS	Input/Output Supervisor
IoT	Internet of Things
IoT botnet	Internet of Things botnet
IoT security	Internet of Things security
IOTP	Internet Open Trading Protocol
IOV	I/O virtualization
IP address	Internet Protocol Address
IP core	intellectual property core
IP PBX	private branch exchange
IP spoofing	IP address forgery or a host file hijack
IP telephony	Internet Protocol telephony
IPAM	IP address management
IPC	Institute for Interconnecting and Packaging Electronic Circuits
IPC	interprocess communication
IPI	Intelligent Peripheral Interface
IPL	initial program load
IPLC	international private leased circuit
IPM	intelligent power management
IPMI	Intelligent Platform Management Interface
IPO	initial public offering
IPP	Internet presence provider
IPPD	Integrated Product and Process Development
IPPP	Internet presence provider and promoter
IPR	Intellectual Property Rights
IPS	In-Plan Switching
IPsec	Internet Protocol Security
IPT	Integrated Product Team
IPTV	Internet Protocol television
IPv6	Internet Protocol Version 6
IPX	Internetwork Packet Exchange
IR	infrared radiation
IR wireless	infrared wireless
IRC	Internet Relay Chat

IrDA	Infrared Data Association
IRI	Industrial Research Institute
IRIS	Internet Routing in Space
IRM	Integrated Resource Management
IRP	incident response plan
IRQ	interrupt request
IRR	internal rate of return
IRTF	Internet Research Task Force
IRU	Indefeasible Right of Use
IS	Information System
IS	information system or information services
ISA	Industry Standard Architecture
ISA Server	Internet Security and Acceleration Server
ISAM	Indexed Sequential Access Method
ISAPI	Internet Server Application Program Interface
ISBN	International Standard Book Number
iSCSI	Internet Small Computer System Interface
iSCSI target	Internet Small Computer System Interface target
ISDN	Integrated Services Digital Network
ISE	Cisco Identity Services Engine
IS-IS	Intermediate System-to-Intermediate System protocol
ISO	International Standards Organization
ISO 8327	ITU X.225
ISO/IEC 24734	International Standards Organization/International Electrotechnical Commission
ISP	Internet service provider
ISPF	Interactive System Productivity Facility
ISR G2	Cisco Integrated Service Routers Generation 2
ISRC	International Standard Recording Code
ISRS	information storage and retrieval system
ISSU	in-service software upgrade
ISV	Independent Software Vendor
ISV	independent software vendor
IT	information technology
IT audit	information technology audit
IT director	information technology director

IT MOOSE management	maintain and operate the organization, systems and equipment
ITA	Information Technology Agremeement
ITAA	Information Technology Association of America
ITaaS	IT as a Service
ITAC	International Telework Association and Council
ITIL	Information Technology Infrastructure Library
IT-ISAC	Information Technology Information Sharing and Analysis Center
ITS	issue tracking system
ITS	Intelligent Transportation System
ITS	Internet Transaction Server
ITSM	IT Service Management
ITSO	International Technical Support Organization
ITSS	Information Technology Solutions Shop
ITU	International Technical Union
ITU	International Telecommunication Union
ITU-T	Telecommunication Standardization Sector of the International Telecommunications Union
IV	initialization vector
IVR	Interactive Voice Response
IXC	interexchange carrier
J2EE	Java 2 Platform, Enterprise Edition
J2ME	Java 2 Platform, Micro Edition
JAAS	Java Authentication and Authorization Service
JAD	Joint Application Development
JANET	Joint Academic Network
JAQL	json query language
JAR file	Java ARchive
JAX-RPC	Java API for XML-Based RPC
JAX-WS	Java API for XML Web Services
JBI	Java Business Integration
JBIG	Joint Bi-level Image Experts Group
JBOD	just a bunch of disks or just a bunch of drives
JCE	Java Cryptography Extension
JCL	job control language
JDBC	Java Database Connectivity
JDBC Connector	Java Database Connectivity Connector

JDK	Java Development Kit
JDO	Java Data Objects
JEDEC SDRAM	Joint Electron Device Engineering Council synchronous DRAM
JeOS	just enough operating system
JES	Job Entry Subsystem
JFC	Java Foundation Classes
JHTML	Java within Hypertext Markup Language
JIC manufacturing	just-in-case manufacturing
JIT	Just In Time
JIT	just-in-time compiler
JIT manufacturing	just-in-time manufacturing
JMS	Java Message Service
JMX	Java Management Extensions
JNDI	Java Naming and Directory Interface
JOBS Act	Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act
JOLAP	Java Online Analytical Processing
JPEG	Joint Photographic Experts Group
JRE	Java Runtime Environment
JSML	Java Speech API Markup Language
JSON	Javascript Object Notation
JSP	Java Server Page
JTAPI	Java Telephony Application Programming Interface
JVM	Java virtual machine
JXTA	juxtaposed
K6	AMD-K6
KB or Kbyte*	kilobyte
KBA	knowledge-based authentication
KBE	Knowledge-Based Engineering
Kbps	kilobits per second
KBW	keyboard wedge
KDE	K Desktop Environment
KGD	Known Good Die
kHz	kilohertz
KISS Principle	Keep It Simple, Stupid
KLOC	thousands of lines of code
KM	knowledge management

KMD	Kazaa Media Desktop
KML	Keyhole Markup Language
KPI	key performance indicator
KPI	Key Performance Indicator
KRI	key risk indicator
KVM	kernel-based Virtual Machine
KVP	key-value pair
KW	Knowledge Warehouse
kWh	kilowatt-hour
l10n	localization
L2TP	Layer Two Tunneling Protocol
LAMP	Linux, Apache, MySQL, PHP
LAN	local area network
LAR	Large Account Reseller
LATA	local access and transport area
LB film	Langmuir-Blodgett film
LBA	logical block addressing
LBM	location-based marketing
LBO	leveraged buyout
LBS	location-based service
LC	Low Cost
LCA	Life Cycle Assessment
LCC	limited combustible cable
LCC	Leadless Chip Carrier
LCD	liquid crystal display
LCL	Less Than Container Load
LCL layer	Logical Link Control layer
LCP	Link Control Protocol
LCPC	Life Cycle Product Cost
LDAP	Lightweight Directory Access Protocol
LDCM	LANDesk Client Manager
LDD	locked down device
LDIF	Lightweight Directory Interchange Format
LDQ	longest delay in queue
LDSI	Laboratory Data Sharing Interoperability
LEAP	Lightweight Extensible Authentication Protocol

LEC	local exchange carrier
LED	light-emitting diode
LED TV	LED-backlight LCD television
LEED	Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design
LES	Logistics Execution System
Lex	lexical analyzer generator
LHC	Large Hadron Collider
LI	location intelligence
LI	lawful interception
LIDB	line information database
Li-Ion	Lithium Ion battery
LILO	LInux LOader
linear IC	linear integrated circuit
LINQ	Language Integrated Query
LISP	list processing
live USB	operating system on a stick
LMDS	Local Multi-Point Distribution System
LMDS	Local Multipoint Distribution System
LMGTFY	Let Me Google That For You
LMOF	last mile of finance
LMS	learning management system
LNA	Local Noise Amplifier
LNP	Local Number Portability
LOB	line-of-business
LOINC	Logical Observation Identifiers Names and Codes
LOM	lights-out management
LP	Lean Production
LPAR	logical partition
LPT	line print terminal
LQSR	Link Quality Source Routing
LRN	Location Routing Number
LSB	Linux Standard Base
LSI	Large Scale Integration
LTC	longitudinal time code
LTE	Long Term Evolution
LTE-Advanced	Long Term Evolution-Advanced

LTFS	Linear Tape File System
LTL	Less Than Truckload
LTO	Linear Tape-Open
LU	logical unit
LUN	logical unit number
LVS	Layout Verification Systems
M&A;	mergers and acquisitions
M&O;	Management and Operations
M&S	Modeling and Simulation
M2M	machine-to-machine
M2M	machine-to-machine
M3U	Moving Picture Experts Group Audio Layer 3 URL
MAC	mandatory access control
MAC	message authentication code
MAC address	Media Access Control address
MAC layer	Media Access Control layer
MAD	Mobile Active Defense
MADE	Manufacturing Automation and Design Exploration
mAh	milliampere hour
MAID	massive array of idle disks
malware	malicious software
MAM	mobile application management
MAM	mobile application manager
MAN	metropolitan area network
MAPI	Messaging Application Program Interface
MAU	media attachment unit
MB	megabyte
MBean	managed bean
MBone	Multicast Internet
MBps	megabytes per second
Mbps	millions of bits per second or megabits per second
MBR	Master Boot Record
MC	Mass Customization
MCA	Microsoft Connectivity Analyzer
MCA	Micro Channel Architecture
MCE	Microsoft Certified Educator

MCL	Mesh Connectivity Layer
MCM	multi-carrier modulation
Mcps	megachips per second
MCS	Manufacturing Control System
MCSA	Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate
MCSD	Microsoft Certified Solution Developer
MCSE	Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer
MCSE Private Cloud	Microsoft Certified Solutions Expert Private Cloud
MDB	multidimensional database
MDD	model-driven development
MDI	Multiple Document Interface
MDI/MDIX	medium dependent interface/MDI crossover
MDM	master data management
MDM	mobile device management
MDOP 2012	Microsoft Desktop Optimization Pack 2012
MDP	Multicast Dissemination Protocol
MDRAM	Multibank Dynamic RAM
MDX	multidimensional expressions
MEAP	mobile enterprise application platform
MEMS	Micro-electromechanical Systems
MEMS	micro-electromechanical systems
MEO satellite	medium earth orbit satellite
MEP	Manufacturing Extension Partnership
MES	Manufacturing Execution System
MESA	Manufacturing Execution System Association
MFA	multifactor authentication
MFC Library	Microsoft Foundation Class Library
MFP	multifunction peripheral
MFSK	multiple frequency shift keying
MFT	managed file transfer
MFT	master file table
MGCP	Media Gateway Control Protocol
MHM	VMware vCenter Multi-Hypervisor Manager
MHP	Multimedia Home Platform
MHz	megahertz
MIB	management information base

MIC	microwave integrated circuit
MICR	magnetic ink character recognition
micro VM	micro virtual machine
Microsoft DCA	Microsoft DirectAccess Connectivity Assistant
Microsoft FIM	Microsoft Forefront Identity Manager
Microsoft UE-V	User Experience Virtualization
Microsoft USMT	User State Migration Tool
MID	mobile Internet device
MIDI	Musical Instrument Digital Interface
MIM	mobile information management
MIME	Multi-Purpose Internet Mail Extensions
MIMO	multiple input, multiple output
MIPS	million instructions per second
MIS	management information systems
MISO	multiple input, single output
MLA	mobile location analytics
MLC	multi-level cell
MMC	mobile-to-mobile convergence
MMC	MultiMediaCard
MMC	Microsoft Management Console
MMDS	Multichannel Multipoint Distribution Service
MME	MIM
MMI	Man Machine Interface
MMIS	Maintenance Management Information System
MMP	multichassis multilink PPP
MMS	Multimedia Messaging Service
MMS	Manufacturing Message Specification
MMU	memory management unit
MO	magneto-optical drive
mobile BaaS	mobile Backend as a Service
Mobile IPv6	MIPv6 or Mobile Internet Protocol version 6
mobile IT	mobile information technology
mobile VPN	mobile virtual private network
moblog	mobile blog
MOF	Microsoft Operations Framework
MOL	middle of life

MOLAP	multidimensional online analytical processing
MOM	Manufacturing operation management
MOOC	massive open online course
MOS	mean opinion score
MOSFET	metal-oxide semiconductor field-effect transistor
MOSPF	Multicast Open Shortest Path First
MOSS	Microsoft Office SharePoint Server
MOU or MoU	memorandum of understanding
MOVE	Aruba's Mobile Virtual Enterprise
MP3	MPEG-1 Audio Layer-3
MPEG	Moving Picture Experts Group
MPEG standards	Moving Picture Experts Group
MPI	message passing interface
MPI	master patient index
MPIO	Multipath I/O
MPLS	Multiprotocol Label Switching
mPOS	mobile point of sale
MPP	massively parallel processing
MPPE	Microsoft Point-to-Point Encryption
MPS	Master Production Schedule
MPS	managed print services
MRAM	magnetoresistive random access memory
MRI	magnetic resonance imaging
MR-IOV	Multi-Root IOV
mrouter	multicast router
MRP	Manufacturing Resource Planning
MRP II	Manufacturing resource planning
MrSID	Multi-resolution Seamless Image Database
mSATA SSD	mSATA solid-state drive
MSAU	multistation access unit
MSBF	mean-swap-between-failure
MSCMDM	Microsoft System Center Mobile Device Manager
MSCS	Microsoft Cluster Server
MS-DOS	Microsoft Disk Operating System
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet
MSE	Microsoft Security Essentials

MSP	managed service provider
MSP	management service provider
MSP platform	managed service provider platform
MSRP	Message Session Relay Protocol
MSS	managed security services
MSS	mobile satellite services
MSS	maximum segment size
MSSP	managed security service provider
MT	medical transcription
MTBF	mean time between failures
MTO	Make To Order
Mtops	million theoretical operations per second
MTPOD	maximum tolerable period of disruption
MTS	medical transcription software
MTS	Make To Stock
MTS	Microsoft Transaction Server
MTTR	Mean Time To Restore
MTTR	mean time to repair
MTU	maximum transmission unit
MUA	mail user agent
MUD	Multi-User Dungeon
Multics	Multiplexed Information and Computing Service
MULTOS	Multiple Operating System
mutex	mutual exclusion object
MV	machine vision
MVA	Microsoft Virtual Academy
MVC	model-view-controller
MVMC	Microsoft Virtual Machine Converter
MVNO	mobile virtual network operator
MVP	Microsoft Most Valuable Professional
MVS	Multiple Virtual Storage
MX record	Mail Exchange record
NaaS	network-as-a-service
NAC	network access control
NACHA	National Automated Clearing House Association
NAHIT	National Alliance for Health Information Technology

NAK	negative acknowledgment or not acknowledged
NAP	Microsoft Network Access Protection
NAP	network access point
NAS	network access server
NAS	network-attached storage
NASDAQ	National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations
NAT	Network Address Translation
NBA	network behavior analysis
NBAD	network behavior anomaly detection
NBAR	Network Based Application Recognition
NBMA	non-broadcast multiple access
NC	network computer
NCA	native cloud application
NCFA	National Call Fee Access
NCM	network configuration management
NCMS	National Center for Manufacturing Sciences
NCSC	National Computer Security Center
NCVHS	National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics
NDA	non-disclosure agreement
NDIS	Network Driver Interface Specification
NDMP	Network Data Management Protocol
NDS	Novell Directory Services
near CDP	near-continuous data protection
NECP	National Emergency Communications Plan
NED	nano-emissive display
NEDSS	National Electronic Disease Surveillance System
NEOSSat	Near Earth Object Surveillance Satellite
NERC	North American Electric Reliability Corporation
NERC CIP	critical infrastructure protection
nested VM	nested virtual machine
NetBEUI	NetBIOS Extended User Interface
NetBIOS	Network Basic Input/Output System
NetPC	Network PC
Net-SNMP	Net Simple Network Management Protocol
NeXT	near-end crosstalk
Nexus 1000V	Cisco Nexus 1000V

NFC	Near Field Communication
NFR	not for resale
NFS	Network File System
NFTS	national file tracking system
NFV	network functions virtualization
NGFW	next-generation firewall
NGO	non-governmental organization
NGSCB	Next Generation Secure Computing Base
NHII	National Health Information Infrastructure
NHIN	Nationwide Health Information Network
NHRP	Next Hop Resolution Protocol
NI	network intelligence
Ni2	Net indexer 2
NIAP	National Information Assurance Partnership
NIC	network interface card
NIC handle	Network Information Center handle
Ni-Cd or NiCd	Nickel-Cadmium battery
Nicira NVP	Nicira Network Virtualization Platform
NIH	National Institutes of Health
Ni-MH or NiMH	Nickel-Metal Hydride battery
NIS	Network Information System
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
NJE	Network Job Entry
NLM	National Library of Medicine
NLP	natural language processing
NMTA	National Machining and Tooling Association
NNI	National Nanotechnology Initiative
NNM	Network Node Manager
NNTP	Network News Transfer Protocol
no op	no operation
NOC	network operations center
NOS	network operating system
NoSQL	Not Only SQL
NPD	product development or new product development
NPE	non-practicing entity

NPI	national provider identifier
NPI	New Product Introduction
NPIV	N_Port ID virtualization
NPV	Net present value
NQF	National Quality Forum
NRLA	National Labor Relations Board
NRZ	non-return-to-zero
NSA	National Security Agency
NSAP	Network Service Access Point
NSAPI	Netscape Server Application Programming Interface
NSIS	Next Steps in Signaling
NSP	network service provider
NT1	network terminator 1
NTBackup	Microsoft Windows NT backup
NTFS	NT file system; sometimes New Technology File System
NTP	Network Time Protocol
NTR	Normal Trade Relations
NTS	Number Translation Service
NTSC	National Television Standards Committee
NTU	nuclear time unit
NUI	natural user interface
NUMA	non-uniform memory access
NURBS	nonuniform rational B-spline
NUS	network unified storage
NVGRE	Network Virtualization using Generic Routing Encapsulation
NVLAP	National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program
NVMe	non-volatile memory express
NVS	nonvolatile storage
NWR	NOAA Weather Radio
OA&M	operations, administration, and management
OAB	offline address book
OASIS	Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards
OASIS	Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards
OBI	Open Buying on the Internet
OCC	Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
OCM	organizational change management

OCNCC	Oracle Communications Network Charging and Control
OCR	Office for Civil Rights
OCR	optical character recognition
OCSP	Online Certificate Status Protocol
OCW	MIT OpenCourseWare
OCx	Optical Carrier levels
ODBC	Open Database Connectivity
ODCA	Open Data Center Alliance
ODF	Open Document Format
ODI	Open Data-Link Interface
ODIN	Open Data Center with an Interoperable Network
ODIN	Open Device Identification Number
ODL	Open and Distance Learning
ODM	Original Design Manufacturer
ODMA	Open Document Management API or Application Program Interface
ODMR	On-Demand Mail Relay
ODP	Open Directory Project
ODS	Ozone Depleting Substance
ODS	operational data store
ODX	Offloaded Data Transfer
OEBF	Open Electronic Book Forum
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OEE	Original Equipment Effectiveness
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
OEM	original equipment manufacturer
OFB	output feedback
OF-Config	OpenFlow Configuration and Management Protocol
OFDM	orthogonal frequency-division multiplexing
OFPP	Office of Federal Procurement Policy
OGSA	Open Grid Services Architecture
OHA	Open Handset Alliance
OID	object ID
OLA	operational level agreement
OLAP	online analytical processing
OLE	Object Linking and Embedding
OLE DB	OLEDB or Object Linking and Embedding Database

OLED	light-emitting diode
OLPC	One Laptop Per Child
OLT	optical line terminal
OLTP	On Line Transaction Processing
OLTP	online transaction processing
OMAP	Open Multimedia Application Platform
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OMG	Object Management Group
OMSS	Oracle Mobile Security Suite
ONF	Open Networking Foundation
OODBMS or ODBMS	object-oriented database management system
OoOE	out-of-order execution
OOP	Out Of Production
OOP	object-oriented programming
OOPSLA	Object-Oriented Programming Systems, Languages and Applications
OOXML	Office Open Extended Markup Language
OPAC	Online Public Access Catalog
OPAC	Online Public Access Catalog
OPC	OLE for Process Control
OpenGL	Open Graphics Library
OpenNMS	Open Network Management System
OpenVPN	open source virtual private network
Opex	operational expenditure
OPM	operational performance management
OPML	Outline Processor Markup Language
OPS	Open Profiling Standard
OPT	Optimized Production Technology
OR	operations research
ORB	Object Request Broker
ORBS	Open Relay Behavior-modification System
ORM	object-relational mapping
OS	operating system
OSA	Open System Authentication
OSBI	open source business intelligence
OSD	object storage device

OSDL	Open Source Development Labs
OSF	Open Software Foundation
OSGi	Open Service Gateway Initiative
OSGi	Open Service Gateway Initiative
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
OSI	Open Systems Interconnection
OSP	online service provider
OSP	Open Settlement Protocol
OSPF	Open Shortest Path First
OSS	open source software
OSS	Online Service System
OSS	operational support system
OTA	Over the Air
OTA update	over-the-air update
OTC	On-Time delivery to Commit date
OTC or O2C	order to cash
OTCR	On-Time delivery performance to Customer Request Date
OTFT	organic thin-film transistor
OTM	Optivity Telephony Manager
OTP	one-time password
OTTO protocol	OUCH To Trade Options
OU	organizational unit
OVSDB	Open vSwitch Database Management Protocol
OWA	Microsoft Outlook Web App
OWASP	Open Web Application Security Project
OWD	OneWebDay
P versus NP	polynomial versus nondeterministic polynomial
P&L;	profit and loss statement
P2P	procure to pay
P2P	path to profitability
P2P botnet	peer-to-peer botnet
P2P network	peer-to-peer network
P2V	physical to virtual
P3P	Platform for Privacy Preferences Project
P3P	Platform for Privacy Preferences

P4	Pentium 4
P4P	proactive provider participation for P2P
PA	Power Amplifier
PaaS	Platform as a Service
PABX	private automatic branch exchange
PAC	Production Activity Control
PACS	picture archiving and communication system
PACS	Personal Access Communications System
PA-DSS	Payment Application Data Security Standard
PAIR	Policy Analysis of Internet Routing
PAL	Phase Alternation Line
Palm OS	Palm Operating System
PAM	partner account manager
PAM	pulse amplitude modulation
PAN	personal area network
PAN truncation	primary account number
PAP	Packet-Level Procedure
PAR	performance and accountability reporting
PARC	Palo Alto Research Center
PAT	Port Address Translation
PBD	physical block device
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PBX	private branch exchange
PC	project charter
PC	personal computer
PC100 SDRAM	PC100 Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory
PCAOB	Public Company Accounting Oversight Board
PCB	printed circuit board
PC-DOS	Personal Computer - Disk Operating System
PCE	Path Computation Element
PCEP	Path Computation Element Protocol
PCI	Peripheral Component Interconnect
PCI compliance	payment card industry compliance
PCI DSS	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard
PCI-X	Peripheral Component Interconnect Extended
PCL	Printer Control Language

PCM	pulse code modulation
PCM	phase-change memory
PCMCIA	Personal Computer Memory Card International Association
PCRF	Policy and Charging Rules Function
PCS	personal cloud storage
PCS	personal communications service
PDA	personal digital assistant
PDF	Portable Document Format
PDL	page description language
PDM	Product Data Management
PDP-11	Programmed Data Processor-11
PDU	power distribution unit
PEAP	Protected Extensible Authentication Protocol
PEBCAK	problem exists between chair and keyboard
pel	picture element
personal VM	personal virtual machine or PVM
PERT chart	Program Evaluation Review Technique
PF	prefetch folder
pF/m	picofarad per meter
PFC	power factor correction or power factor controller
PGP	Pretty Good Privacy
PHDSC	Public Health Data Standards Consortium
PHI	personal health information
PHOLED	phosphorescent organic light-emitting device
PHP	Personal Home Page
PHP	Hypertext Preprocessor
PHR	personal health record
PHS	Personal Handyphone System
PI	Principal Investigator
PI	Predictive Index
PIA	privacy impact assessment
PIC	port interface card
PICK chart	Possible, Implement, Challenge and Kill chart
PICS	Platform for Internet Content Selection
PICTIVE	Plastic Interface for Collaborative Technology Initiatives through Video Exploration

PID	Problem Identification Document
PIFI	personally identifiable financial information
PII	personally identifiable information
PIM	processing in memory
PIM	Product Information Management
PIM	protocol-independent multicast
PIM	privileged identity management
P-Ink	photonic ink
PIO	Programmed Input/Output
PIP	Partner Integration Process
PIP	Picture in Picture
PIP box	picture in picture box
PIV	personal identity verification
PKCS	Public-Key Cryptography Standards
PKI	public key infrastructure
pk-pk	peak-to-peak
PL/S	Programming Language/System
PL/SQL	procedural language extension to Structured Query Language
PLATO	Programmed Logic for Automatic Teaching Operations
PLC	packet loss concealment
PLEDM	phase-state low electron drive memory
PLL	phase-locked loop
PLM	Product Lifecycle Management
PLMN	public land mobile network
PM	phase modulation
PMI	plus, minus, interesting
PML	Portal Markup Language
PMML	Predictive Model Markup Language
PMO	Project Management Office
PMP	Project Management Professional
PMS	package manager or package management system
PN	programmable network
pNFS	Parallel NFS
PNG	Portable Network Graphics
PnP	Plug and Play
POC	proof of concept

POC	Packet Order Correction
pocket PC	pocket personal computer
PoE	Power over Ethernet
PoIP	Pray over Internet Protocol
POLP	principle of least privilege
polymer LED	light-emitting polymer or polyLED
POM	Production/Operations Management
PON	passive optical network
POP	point-of-presence
POP3	Post Office Protocol 3
PoR	power-on reset
POS	Point of Sale
POS	personal operating space
POS terminal	point-of-sale terminal
POSIX	Portable Operating System Interface
POST	Power-On Self-Test
POTS	plain old telephone service
PP&E	Property, Plant & Equipment
PPD	post-processing deduplication
PPD	parallel presence detect
PPD file	Postscript Printer Description file
PPGA	plastic pin grid array
ppi	pixels per inch
PPM	project and portfolio management
PPM	pages per minute
PPP	Point-to-Point Protocol
PPPoE	Point-to-Point Protocol over Ethernet
PPTP	Point-to-Point Tunneling Protocol
PR	Process Reengineering
PR	public relations
PRI	Primary Rate Interface
PRM	partner relationship management
PRNG	pseudo-random number generator
PROM	programmable read-only memory
PRONet	Procurement Marketing and Access Network
PRS	Personal Response System

PRS	Premium Rate Service
PRSA	Public Relations Society of America
PRT	Pre-requisite Tree
PSA	professional services automation
PSK	phase-shift keying
PSN	processor serial number
PSOD	Purple Screen of Death
PSS	Personal Search Syndication
PSTN	public switched telephone network
PTAC	Procurement Technical Assistance Center
PTF	program temporary fix
PTO	Patent and Trademark Office
PTT	Push to Talk
PU	physical unit
PUE	power usage effectiveness
PUP	potentially unwanted program
PV Cell	photovoltaic cell
PV glass	photovoltaic glass
PVC	permanent virtual circuit
PVM	Parallel Virtual Machine
PVR	personal video recorder
PWS	Personal Web Server
PXE	Preboot Execution Environment
PXE	Preboot Execution Environment
QA	Quality Assurance
QA	quality assurance
QAM	quadrature amplitude modulation
QB	Quality Breakdown
QBE	Query by Example
QC	Quality Control
QC	quality control
QDOS	86-DOS
QFE	Quad FastEthernet
QFE	Quick Fix Engineering
QFP	Quad Flat Package
qHD	quarter high definition

QIX	NASDAQ Information Exchange protocol
QoE or QoX	Quality of Experience
QoS	Quality of Service
QPS	queries-per-second
QR	Quick Response
QR code	quick response code
QSA	Qualified Security Assessor
QSIG	Q signaling
QVGA	Quarter Video Graphics Array
QXGA	Quantum Extended Graphics Array
R&D	Research and Development
R3	Reduce, reuse, recycle
RA	registration authority
RAC	Real Application Cluster
RACE	Rapid Access Computing Environment
RACF	Resource Access Control Facility
RAD	rapid application development
rad/s or rad/sec	radian per second
radar	radio detection and ranging
RADIUS	Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service
RAF	risk assessment framework
RAID	redundant array of independent disks
RAID 0	disk striping
RAID 1	disk mirroring
RAID 3	redundant array of independent disks
RAIN	redundant/reliable array of inexpensive/independent nodes
RAM	random access memory
RAMAC	random access method of accounting and control
RAMDAC	random access memory digital-to-analog converter
RAND	reasonable and nondiscriminatory
RAP	Revenue Acquisition Process
RARP	Reverse Address Resolution Protocol
RAS	registration, admission, and status
RAS	Reliability, Availability and Serviceability
RAS	row address strobe
RAS API	Remote Access Server Application Program Interface

RASHport	Routing and Special Handling
RAT	remote access Trojan
RBA	risk-based authentication
RBAC	role-based access control
RBOC	regional Bell operating company
RCE	remote code execution
RCP	Rich Client Platform
RD	running disparity
RDBMS	relational database management system
RDC	remote deposit capture
RDF	Resource Description Framework
RDF	Resource Description Framework
RDM	raw device mapping
RDMA	Remote Direct Memory Access
rDNS	reverse DNS
RDO	Remote Data Objects
RDP	Remote Desktop Protocol
RDRAM	Rambus Dynamic Random Access Memory
RDS	Amazon Relational Database Service
RDS	Radio Data System
RDS	Remote Desktop Services
RDT&E	Research, Development, Testing & Evaluation
REC	Regional Extension Center
ReFS	Resilient File System
regex	regular expression
RELAX NG	RELAX Next Generation
Remoting	PowerShell Remoting
REST	representational state transfer
RF, rf, orr.f.	radio frequency
RFC	Remote Function Call
RFC	Request for Comments
RFI	request for information
RFID	radio frequency identification
RFM analysis	recency, frequency, monetary
RFO	Request for Offer
RFP	request for proposal

RFQ	request for quotation
RFR	Red Flags Rule
RGB	red, green, and blue
RHCVA	Red Hat Certified Virtualization Administrator
RHEL	Red Hat Enterprise Linux
RHEV	Red Hat Enterprise Virtualization
RHIA	registered health information administrator
RHIO	Regional Health Information Organization
RHIT	registered health information technician
RHS	Red Hat Storage
RIA	Rich Internet Application
RIAA	Recording Industry Association of America
RIBLOE	Remote Insight Board -- Lights Out Edition
RID	relative identifier
RIM	records information management
RIM	Reference Information Model
RIP	Routing Information Protocol
RIP	raster image processor
RIR	Regional Internet Registry
RIS	Remote Installation Service
RIS	Radiology Information System
RISC	reduced instruction set computer
RJE	Remote Job Entry
rlogin	remote login
RMA	Return Material (or Merchandise) Authorization
RMA	return merchandise authorization
RMI	Remote Method Invocation
RMON	Remote Network Monitoring
RMS	root-mean-square
RNAAPP	Remote Network Access Application
RNIS	Reseau Numerique a Integration de Services
ROA	resource-oriented architecture
ROADM	reconfigurable optical add-drop multiplexer
ROC	Report on Compliance
ROD	reuse-oriented model or reuse-oriented development
RODC	read-only domain controller

RoHS Directive	Restriction of Hazardous Substances Directive
ROI	Return On Investment
ROI	return on investment
ROIC	Return On Invested Capital
ROKSO	Register of Known Spam Operations
ROLAP	relational online analytical processing
ROM	read-only memory
ROMI	return on marketing investment
RONA	Return On Net Assets
ROP	Reorder Point
RoR or Rails	Ruby on Rails
RoT	Roots of Trust
ROU	Record Of Understanding
ROWE	Results-Only Work Environment
RPC	Remote Procedure Call
RPG	Report Program Generator
RPG	role-playing game
RPM	remote patient monitoring
RPM	Rapid Response Manufacturing
RPO	recruitment process outsourcing
RPO	recovery point objective
RPR	Resilient Packet Ring
RPT	rich presence technology
RQ	risk intelligence
RRAM	resistive RAM
RSAT	Microsoft Remote Server Administration Tools
RSC	Retail Service Center
RSI	requirements stability index
RSNA	Radiological Society of North America
RSoP	Resultant Set of Policy
RSVP	Resource Reservation Protocol
RT	retweet
RTA	real-time application
RTC	real-time communications
RTC	real-time clock
RTCD	real-time communications dashboard

RTCP	Real-Time Transport Control Protocol
RTD	Research and Technical Development
RTD	reconfigurable tactile display
RTF	Rich Text Format
RTLS	real-time location system
RTM	Read The Manual
RTO	recovery time objective
RtOI	real-time operational intelligence
RTOS	real-time operating system
RTP	Real-Time Transport Protocol
RTSP	Real Time Streaming Protocol
RTT	round-trip time
RUP	Rational Unified Process
RWU	remote wakeup
RZ	return-to-zero
S&OP;	sales and operations planning
S.773	Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2009
S.M.A.R.T.	Self-Monitoring Analysis & Reporting Technology
S/MIME	Secure Multi-Purpose Internet Mail Extensions
S/N or SNR	signal-to-noise ratio
S/PDIF	Sony/Philips Digital Interface
S/PDIF	Sony/Philips Digital Interface
S4L	spam for life
SA	service assurance
SA	Microsoft Exchange System Attendant
SA	Microsoft Software Assurance
SAA	Systems Application Architecture
SaaS	Software as a Service
SaaS	Security as a Service
SaaS	Storage as a Service
SaaS BI	Software as a Service BI
SaaS ERP	software-as-a-service ERP hosting
SACD	Super Audio CD
SAFE	Samsung for Enterprise
SAM	Security Accounts Manager
SAM	storage area management

SAML	Security Assertion Markup Language
Samsung GN	Samsung Galaxy Note
SAN	storage area network
SAP XI	SAP Exchange Infrastructure
SAPI	Speech Application Program Interface
SAPPHIRE	SAP User Conference
SAR	Suspicious Activity Report
SAR	segmentation and reassembly
SAS	serial-attached SCSI
SAS 70	Statement on Auditing Standards No. 70
SASID	Self-Scanned Amorphous Silicon Integrated Display
SATA II	SATA 2
SAX	Simple API for XML
SB-1386	California Security Breach Information Act
SBAs	search-based applications
SBC	session border controller
SBIR contract	Small Business Innovative Research contract
SBR	skill-based routing
SC	sunk cost
SC	supply chain
SCA	service-component architecture
SCADA	supervisory control and data acquisition
SCC	Supply Chain Council
SCCP	Signalling Connection Control Part
SCE	supply chain execution
SCEM	supply chain event management
SCI	serial communications interface
SCL	spam confidence level
SCM	Supply Chain Management
SCOR	Supply Chain Operations Reference model
SCORM	Shareable Content Object Reference Model
SCP	supply chain planning
SCP	session control protocol
SCR	Synchronized Customer Response
SCSA	Signal Computing System Architecture
SCSI	Small Computer System Interface

SCSI	Small Computer System Interface
SCSI controller	Small Computer System Interface controller
SCSIe	SCSI Express
SCTP	Stream Control Transmission Protocol
SCV	supply chain visibility
SD card	Secure Digital card
SD2	Sound Designer II
SD2	Sound Designer II or SDII
SDA	SAP Smart Data Access
SDARS	satellite radio or Satellite Digital Audio Radio Service
SDB	Small Disadvantaged Business
SDDC	software-defined data center
SDDL	Security Descriptor Definition Language
SDH	Synchronous Digital Hierarchy
SDI	Serial Digital Interface
SDK	software developer's kit
SDL	Specification and Description Language
SDLC	systems development life cycle
SDLC	Synchronous Data Link Control
SDMA	spatial division multiple access
SDN	software-defined networking
SDN controller	software-defined networking controller
SDN overlay	software defined networking overlay
SDO	Service Data Objects
SDP	Session Description Protocol
SDR	software-defined radio
SDRAM	synchronous DRAM
SDTV	standard definition television
SDWT	self-directed work team
SDX	NetScaler
SDXC	Secure Digital Extended Capacity card
SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission
SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission
SECAM	Sequential Couleur avec Memoire
SED TV	surface-conduction electron-emitter display television
SEI	Software Engineering Institute

SEM	single-electron memory
SEO	search engine optimization
SerDes	serializer/deserializer
Serial ATA	Serial Advanced Technology Attachment or SATA
SERP	search engine results page
SET	Secure Electronic Transaction
SETI	Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence
SEWP	NASA Solutions for Enterprise-Wide Procurement
SFA	Sales Force Automation
SFA	single-factor authentication
SFA	sales force automation
SFF	small form factor
SFP	small form-factor pluggable
SFS	stepless frequency control
SFX	special effects
SGA	Selling, General and Administrative expenses
SGF	Structured Graph Format
SGI	Silicon Graphics
SGML	Standard Generalized Markup Language
SGRAM	Synchronous Graphics RAM
shadow IT	shadow information technology
S-HTTP	Secure HTTP
SI	systems integrator
Si	silicon
SID	security identifier
SIEM	security information and event management
SIG	Special Interest Group
SIG	Special Interest Groups
SIGTRAN	Signaling Transport
SIM	security information management
SIMD	Single Instruction Multiple Data
SIMM	Service Integration Maturity Model
SIMM	single in-line memory module
SIMO	single input, multiple output
SIMPLE	SIP for Instant Messaging and Presence Leveraging Extensions
Simputer	simple inexpensive mobile computer

SIP	Session Initiation Protocol
SIP trunking	Session Initiation Protocol trunking
SIPOC diagram	suppliers, inputs, process, outputs, customers
SIRDS	single-image random-dot stereogram
SISO	single input, single output
SIV	Signal Integrity Verification
SJC	Senate Judiciary Committee
SKA	Shared Key Authentication
SKIL Bill	Securing Knowledge, Innovation and Leadership Act
SKU	Stock Keeping Units
SKU	stockkeeping unit
SLA	service-level agreement
SLC	single level cell
SLD	second-level domain
SLICE	Simple Low-Cost Innovative Engine
SLIP	Serial Line Internet Protocol
SLP	Service Location Protocol
SMART	Self Monitoring Analysis and Reporting Technology
SMB	small and medium-sized business or small and midsized business
SMB 3.0	Server Message Block 3.0
SMB protocol	Server Message Block Protocol
SMBXML	Small Business Extensible Markup Language
SMDS	Switched Multimegabit Data Service
SME	Society of Manufacturing Engineers
SME	small to medium enterprise
SMF	Standard MIDI File
SMF	Standard MIDI File
SMIL	Synchronized Multimedia Integration Language
SMI-S	Storage Management Initiative Specification
SMiShing	SMS phishing
SMM	social media marketing
SMMS	Social media management software
SMP	symmetric multiprocessing
SMPTE	Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers
SMR	Specialized Mobile Radio
SMS	Short Message Service

SMS spam	cell phone spam or short messaging service spam
SMSC	short message service center
SMTP	Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
SMWT	Self Managed Work Teams
SNA	Systems Network Architecture
SNAFU	situation normal, all f***ed up
SNG	satellite news gathering
SNMP	Simple Network Management Protocol
SNOMED CT	Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine -- Clinical Terms
SOA	service-oriented architecture
SOAP	Simple Object Access Protocol
SOC	switch-on-a-chip
SoC	system-on-a-chip
Soc 1	Service Organization Control 1
Soc 2	Service Organization Control 2
Soc 3	Service Organization Control 3
SoC testing	system-on-a-chip testing
social BPM	business process management
SoD	segregation of duties
SOFC	solid oxide fuel cell
SOHO	Small Office Home Office
SOI	Silicon-on-Insulator
SOI	service-oriented integration
SOLED	stacked organic light-emitting device
SoLoMo	social, local and mobile
SOM	service-oriented management
SoMoClo	social, mobile and cloud
SONET	Synchronous Optical Network
SOP	Sales and Operations Planning
SOP	Same Origin Policy
SOPA	Stop Online Piracy Act
SOR	system of record
SoS	system of systems
sosofo	specification of a sequence of flow objects
SOW	statement of work
SOW	Statement of Work

SOX	Sarbanes-Oxley Act
SP1	Exchange Server 2013 Service Pack 1
SPAC	special purpose acquisition company
SPARC	Scalable Processor Architecture
SPC	Statistical Process Control
SPD	serial presence detect
SPEC	Standard Performance Evaluation Corporation
SPF	Sender Policy Framework
SPI	serial peripheral interface
SPI model	SaaS, PaaS, IaaS
SPICE	Software Process Improvement and Capability dEtermination
SPID	Service Profile Identifier
SPIF	sales performance incentive fund
SPIT	spam over Internet telephony
SPM	sales performance management
SPM	Standard Process Modules
SPML	Services Provisioning Markup Language
SPOF	single point of failure
spool	simultaneous peripheral operations online
SPS	Standard Procurement System
SPX	Sequenced Packet Exchange
SQL	Structured Query Language
SQL Server PDW	Microsoft SQL Server Parallel Data Warehouse
SQuID	Source Quench Introduced Delay
SRAM	static random access memory
SRE	serious reportable event
SRI	SRI International
SR-IOV	Single Root I/O Virtualization
SRM	sustainability risk management
SRM	Standard Reference Material
SRM	supplier relationship management
SRM	VMware vSphere Site Recovery Manager
SRM	storage resource management
SRS	software requirements specification
SRT	Source-route transparent
SRTP	Secure Real-Time Transport Protocol or Secure RTP

SS7	Signaling System 7
SSA	Serial Storage Architecture
SSADM	Structured Systems Analysis & Design Method
SSD	client solid state drive
SSD	solid-state drive
SSD purge	solid state drive purge
SSH	Secure Shell
SSH Charter	Secure Shell Charter
SSI	server-side include
SSI	single-system image
SSID	service set identifier
SSL	Secure Sockets Layer
SSL	solid-state lighting
SSL card	server accelerator card
SSL checker	secure socket layer checker
SSL VPN	Secure Sockets Layer virtual private network
SSM	solid state module
SSO	single sign-on
SSP	storage service provider
SSS	solid state storage
SSS PTS	Solid State Storage Performance Test Specification
SSSI	SNIA Solid-State Storage Initiative
SST	Streamlined Sales Tax
SSTV	slow-scan television
STAR	Security, Trust and Assurance Registry
STARS	Standard Accounting and Reporting System
statC	statcoulomb
statF	statfarad
statH	stathenry
statS	statsiemens
statV	statvolt
statW	statwatt
STDM	statistical time division multiplexing
STEM	science, technology, engineering, and mathematics
STEP	Standard for the Exchange of Product model data
STM	scanning tunneling microscope

STML	Spoken Text Markup Language
STONITH	Shoot The Other Node In The Head
STP	spanning tree protocol
STP	standard temperature and pressure
STUN	Simple Traversal of UDP through NAT
Sun ONE	Sun Open Net Environment
SVC	supervisor call
SVC	switched virtual circuit
SVC	scalable video coding
SVG	Scalable Vector Graphics
S-Video	Super-Video, Y/C Video, component video
SVVP	server virtualization validation program
SWAG	Semantic Web Agreement Group
SWAN	Structured Wireless-Aware Network
SWIFT	Simulated Work Input and Flow Time
SWIFT	Society for the Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication
SWOT	Strengths, Weakness, Opportunity and Threats Analysis
SWOT analysis	strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats analysis
sysadmin	system administrator
sysop	system operator
T & E software	travel and expense software
T&M	Tools and Methodology
T/R	Transmit / Receive
T-1	T1
T9	text on nine keys
TA	terminal adapter
TaaS	Testing as a Service
TACACS	Terminal Access Controller Access Control System
TACT	Total Average Cycle Time
TAPI	Telephony Application Program Interface
TAPI	Telephony Application Program Interface
tar	Tape ARchive
TB	terabyte
TCAM	ternary content-addressable memory
TCB	trusted computing base
TCG	Trusted Computing Group

Tcl	Tool Command Language
Tcl/Tk	Tool Command Language
TCM	Time Critical Manufacturing
TCO	total cost of ownership
TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
TCP/IP	Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
TDC	Total Delivered Cost
TDD	Telecommunications Display Device
TDD	test-driven development
TDL-4	TDSS or Alureon
TDM	Team Data Manager
TDM	time-division multiplexing
TDMA	time division multiple access
TD-SCDMA	time division synchronous code division multiple access
Teen Buzz	Mosquito teen repeller
telco	telephone company
TETRA	Terrestrial Trunked Radio
TEWE	Technology for Enterprise-Wide Engineering
TFT	thin-film transistor
TFTP	Trivial File Transfer Protocol
TGT	authentication ticket or ticket-granting ticket
THz	terahertz
TIA	Total Information Awareness
TiBook	Titanium
TIC	Trusted Internet Connections
TIFF	Tag Image File Format
TIG	Technology Implementation Group
TIM	Test Inspection Measurement
TIN number	taxpayer Identification number
Tk	Tool Kit
TKIP	Temporal Key Integrity Protocol
TL;DR	tl;dr
TLA	Three Letter Acronym
TLC flash	triple level cell flash
TLD	top-level domain
TLS	Transport Layer Security

TM software	talent management software
TMN	Telecommunications Management Network
TMQL	Topic Map Query Language
TMS	Transportation Management System
TN display	twisted nematic display
TOC	Theory of Constraints
TOE	TCP/IP offload engine
TOE	unified field theory or Theory of Everything
TOGAF	The Open Group Architecture Framework
TOLED	transparent organic light-emitting device
TOP	Technical Office Protocol
Topic Map	ISO/IEC Standard 13250:2000
TOPS	Team Oriented Problem Solving
TOTP	time-based one-time password
TP	thin provisioning
TP0-TP4	transport protocols 0 to 4
TPA	Technology and Product Assurance
TPC	Transaction Processing Performance Council
TPI	Total Profit Improvement
TPM	Total Productive Maintenance
TPM	Trusted Platform Module
TPOP	Time-Phased Order Point
TPS	terminal proxy server
TQC	Total Quality Control
TQM	Total Quality Management
TQM	Total Quality Management
TrackPoint	pointing stick
TRI	Toxic Release Inventory
TRILL	Transparent Interconnection of Lots of Links
TRON	The Real-Time Operating System Nucleus
TRT	Transition Tree
TSAP	Transport Services Access Point
TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
T-SQL	Transact-SQL
TSR	terminate and stay resident
TTL	time-to-live

TTL	transistor-to-transistor logic
TTS	text-to-speech
TtV	time to value
TTY	teletypewriter
TURN	Traversal Using Relay NAT
TVA	Throughput Value Added
TW	tin whiskers
TWG	Technology Working Group
TWT	traveling-wave tube
type I error	false rejection
type II error	false acceptance
UART	Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
UAT	user acceptance testing
UBE	unsolicited bulk email
UBL	Universal Business Language
UC	Unit Cost
UCaaS	Unified Communications as a Service
UCE	unsolicited commercial email
UCS	unified computing system
UDA	Universal Data Access
UDDI	Universal Description, Discovery, and Integration
UDF	Universal Disk Format
UDID	unique device identifier
UDO	ultra density optical
UDP	User Datagram Protocol
UEFI	Unified Extensible Firmware Interface
UGC	user-generated content
UHDTV	Ultra High-Definition TV
UHDV	ultra high definition video
UHF	ultrahigh frequency
UI	user interface
UIA	user installed application
UID	unique identifier
UIML	User Interface Markup Language
ULA	Oracle Unlimited License Agreement
Ultra DMA	UDMA or Ultra DMA/33

UM server	unified messaging server
UMLS	Unified Medical Language System
UMS	unified messaging system
UMTS	Universal Mobile Telecommunications System
UMTS	Universal Mobile Telecommunications Service
UNC	Universal Naming Convention
UPN	User Principal Name
UPnP	Universal Plug and Play
UPS	uninterruptible power supply
URI	Uniform Resource Identifier
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
URL poisoning	location poisoning
URL rewriting	URL manipulation
URN	Uniform Resource Name
USART	Universal Synchronous/Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
USB	Universal Serial Bus, USB 3.0, SuperSpeed USB
USB 3.0	SuperSpeed USB
USGCB	United States Government Configuration Baseline
USITC	United States International Trade Commission
USP	unique selling point
USSD	Unstructured Supplementary Service Data
USSS	United States Secret Service
UTC, GMT, CUT	Coordinated Universal Time
UTF-16	16- bit Unicode Transformation Format
UTM	unified threat management
UUCP	UNIX-to-UNIX Copy Protocol
UUID	Universal Unique Identifier
UX	user experience
UXGA	Ultra Extended Graphics Array
V/m	volt per meter
V2P	virtual to physical
V2V	Virtual to virtual
VA	volt-ampere
VAAI	vStorage APIs for Array Integration
VAD	Value Added Distribution
VAD	voice activation detection

VAL IT	value from IT investments
VAMP	vStorage API for Multipathing
VAN	value-added network
VAR	Value-Added Reseller
VAR	value-added reseller
VAR agreement	value-added reseller agreement
VASA	vStorage APIs for Storage Awareness
VAX	Virtual Address eXtension
VB	Visual Basic
VB.NET or VB .NET	Visual Basic .NET
VBI	vertical blanking interval
VBN	visitor-based networking
vBNS	very high-speed Backbone Network Service
VBR	Vouch by Reference
VC	venture capital
vCAC	VMware vCloud Automation Center
VCB proxy	VMware Consolidated Backup proxy
VCD	video CD or video compact disc
VCDX	VMware certified design expert
vCLI	vSphere CLI
VCP	VMware Certified Professional
VCP	VMware Capacity Planner
vCPU	virtual CPU
VCR	videocassette recorder
VCSEL	vertical cavity surface emitting laser
vCSHB	VMware vCenter Server Heartbeat
VDA	Virtual Desktop Access
vDGA	Virtual Dedicated Graphics Acceleration
VDI	virtual desktop infrastructure
VDT	video display terminal, visual display terminal
VDU	video display unit
VE	Value Engineering
Verizon VERIS	Vocabulary for Event Recording and Incident Sharing
Vertical SaaS	Software as a Service
VESA VL bus	VESA Local Bus
VFAT	Virtual File Allocation Table

VFIIP	Virtual Factory Information Interchange Project
VFS	virtual file system
vGPU	virtual GPU
VHD	virtual hard disk
VHDCI	Very High Density Cable Interconnect
VHDX	Hyper-V virtual hard disk
VHE	Virtual Home Environment
VHF	very high frequency
VHS	Video Home System
VI3	VMware Infrastructure 3
VIM	Vendor Independent Messaging
Vim	Vi improved
Vine	Vine app
Vint Cerf	Vinton Gray Cerf
Viper	Transaction Server
virtual ISP	virtual Internet service provider, VISP or vISP
vishing	voice or VoIP phishing
VITC	vertical interval time code
VK	VKontakte
VLAN	virtual LAN
VLAN hopping	virtual local area network hopping
VLDB	Very Large Database
VLE	virtual learning environment
VLER	Virtual Lifetime Electronic Record
VLIW	very long instruction word
vlog	video blog
VLSI	Very Large Scale Integration
VLSM	variable-length subnet mask
VM	virtual machine
VM	virtual machine
VMBus	Microsoft Virtual Machine Bus
VMDK file	virtual machine disk file
VMEbus	VersaModular Eurocard bus
VMI	Vendor Managed Inventory
VML	Vector Markup Language
VML	vector graphics rendering

VMLM	virtual machine lifecycle management
VMM	virtual machine monitor
VMO	vendor management office
V-Model	Vee-Model
VMQ	Virtual Machine Queue
VMS	Virtual Memory System
VMUG	VMware User Group
VMware DRS	Distributed Resource Scheduler
VMware EVC	VMware Enhanced vMotion compatibility
VMware OVF Tool	VMware Open Virtualization Format Tool
VMware vCAT	VMware vCloud Architecture Toolkit
VMware vCMA	VMware vCenter Mobile Access
VMware VDPA	VMware vSphere Data Protection Advanced
VMware vFRC	VMware vSphere Flash Read Cache
VMware VMCI	VMware Virtual Machine Communication Interface
VMware VMFS	Virtual Machine File System
VMware vMSC	VMware vSphere Metro Storage Cluster
VMware VSAN	VMware Virtual SAN
VMXNET3	VMXNET Generation 3
VNC	virtual network computing
vNUMA	virtual NUMA
VOB	Versioned Object Base
VOC	voice of the customer
VoD	video on demand
voice ID	voice authentication
VoIP	voice over IP
VOIPSA	Voice over IP Security Alliance
VOVA	vSphere OpenStack Virtual Appliance
VoWLAN	Voice over WLAN
VoxML	Voice Markup Language
VP	value proposition
VPD	virtual private database
VPD	vital product data
VPDM	Virtual Product Data Management
VPLS	virtual private LAN service
VPM	Virtual Product Model

VPN	virtual private network
VPS	virtual private server
VRAM	video RAM
VRF	virtual routing and forwarding
VRM	vendor risk management
VRM	voltage regulator module
VRML	Virtual Reality Modeling Language
VRML	Virtual Reality Modeling Language
VRRP	Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol
VSA	virtual storage appliance
VSA	virtual SAN appliance
VSAM	Virtual Storage Access Method
VSAN	virtual storage area network
VSAT	Very Small Aperture Terminal
VSB	vestigial sideband
VSE	Visual Studio Express
VSM	virtual systems management
VSMP	virtual symmetric multiprocessing
VSP	vertical solutions provider
VSP	Virtual Storage Portal
VSPP	VMware Service Provider Program
VSTO	Visual Studio Tools for Office or Microsoft Visual Studio Tools
VSTS	Visual Studio Team System
VTAM	Virtual Telecommunications Access Method
VTL	virtual tape library
VUM	VMware vSphere Update Manager
VXLAN	Virtual Extensible LAN
VXLAN gateway	Virtual Extensible VLAN gateway
W2K	Windows 2000
W32/Rjump	RavMonE virus
W3C	World Wide Web Consortium
WAAS	Wide Area Application Services
WaaS	Windows as a Service
WAE	Wide Area Ethernet
WAF	write amplification factor
WAFS	wide-area file services

WAG	estimate
WAIS	Wide Area Information Servers
WAN	Wide Area Network
WAP	Wireless Application Protocol
WAPI	WLAN Authentication and Privacy Infrastructure
WARN	Workers' Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act
WASC	Web Application Security Consortium
WASP	wireless application service provider
WaSP	Web Standards Project
WATS	wide-area telephone service
WAX	Wireless Abstract XML
WBEM	Web-Based Enterprise Management
WBI	Web Intermediaries
WBMP	Wireless Bitmap
WBS	Work Breakdown Schedule
WBS	work breakdown structure
W-CDMA	Wideband Code-Division Multiple Access
WCET	worst-case execution time
WCF	Windows Communication Foundation
WCM	web content management
WCM	World Class Manufacturing
WCS	Warehouse control system
WCS	Wireless Communications Service
WDF	web development framework
WDM	wavelength-division multiplexing
WDS	wireless distribution system
WDS	Windows Deployment Services
WDSC	WebSphere Development Studio Client
WDT	watchdog timer
Web hosting	Webhosting, Web site hosting, and hosting
Webcasting	push technology
WebDAV	World Wide Web Distributed Authoring and Versioning
WebOps	Web operations
WebRTC	Web Real-Time Communications
WEEE	Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulation
WEP	Wired Equivalent Privacy

WF or WinWF	Windows Workflow Foundation
WFM	Workforce management
WfM	Wired for Management
WFO	workforce optimization
WFQ	weighted fair queueing
WGA	Windows Genuine Advantage
WGate	Web gateway
Wh	watt-hour
WHATWG	Web Hypertext Application Technology Working Group
WHQL	Windows Hardware Quality Labs
WiBB	wireless broadband
WIC	WAN interface card
WiDEN	Wideband Integrated Digital Enhanced Network
Wi-Fi finder	Wi-Fi signal finder, Wi-Fi seeker or Wi-Fi locator
WIM	Windows Imaging Format
WiMAX	Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave Access
WIMP	Woefully Inept Manufacturing Process
WIMP	windows, icons, mouse, and pull-down menus
WinAMP	Windows Audio MPEG Player
WinChip	WinChip C6
WinDirStat	Windows Directory Statistics
Windows 9x	Windows 95 or Windows 98
Windows Azure	Microsoft Azure
Windows Me	Millenium Edition
Windows NT	backup domain controller
Windows Vista	registry virtualization
Wine	Wine is not an emulator
WinFS	Windows File System
WinFX	.NET 3.0
WinPE	Microsoft Windows Preinstallation Environment
WinRM	Windows Remote Management
WINS	Windows Internet Naming Service
WIP	Work in Process
wireless ISP	wireless Internet service provider or WISP
wireless WAN	Wireless Wide Area Network
WME	World's Most Ethical

WMF	Microsoft Windows Management Framework
WMI	Windows Management Instrumentation
WMIC	Windows Management Instrumentation Command line
WML	Wireless Markup Language
WMM	Wi-Fi Multimedia
WMN	wireless mesh network
WMP	Windows Media Player
WMS	Warehouse Management System
WMTS	wireless medical telemetry services
WORA	write once, run anywhere
Work Folders	Windows Server 2012 R2
WORM	write once, read many
WPA	Wi-Fi Protected Access
WPA	Windows Product Activation
WPAD	Web Proxy Autodiscovery
WPAN	wireless personal area network
WPAS	Windows Process Activation Service
WPF	Windows Presentation Foundation
WRAM	Window RAM
WRAM	Window RAM
writable DVD	recordable DVD
WS 2012	Windows Server 2012
WS-AT	WS-AtomicTransaction
WSCI	Web Service Choreography Interface
WS-Coordination	Web Services Coordination
WSD	white space device
WSDL	Web Services Description Language
WSFC	Windows Server Failover Clustering
WS-I Organization	Web Services Interoperability
WSP	wireless service provider
WS-Policy	Web Services Policy Framework specifications
WSS	Windows Sharepoint Services
WS-Security	Web Services Security
WS-Trust	Web Services Trust Language
WSTx	Web Services Transactions
WSUS	Windows Server Update Services

WTLS	Wireless Transport Layer Security
WTO	World Trade Organization
WTS	Terminal Server product or Microsoft Windows Terminal Server
WUE	water usage effectiveness
WUSB	wireless USB
WWN	World Wide Name
WWW	World Wide Web
WYSIWYG	what you see is what you get
WYSIWYP	what you see is what you print
X	compact disc access time
X or XWindows	X Window System
X9	ASC X9
XaaS	anything as a service
XACML	Extensible Access Control Markup Language
XAM	eXtensible Access Method
XAML	Extensible Application Markup Language
XBRL	Extensible Business Reporting Language
XCCDF	Extensible Configuration Checklist Description Format
XDMA	Xing Distributed Media Architecture
X-engineering	cross-engineering
XFDL	Extensible Forms Description Language
XGA and XGA-2	Extended Graphics Array
XHTML	Extensible Hypertext Markup Language
XMI	XML Metadata Interchange
XML	Atom
XML	Extensible Markup Language
XML infoset	XML information set
XMPP	Extensible Messaging and Presence Protocol
XMT	Extensible MPEG-4 Textual
XNS	Extensible Name Service
XORP	Extensible Open Router Platform
XP	Extreme Programming
XPRL	Extensible Public Relations Language
XQL	XML Query Language
XrML	Extensible Rights Markup Language
XSD	XML Schema Definition

XSL	Extensible Stylesheet Language
XSLT	XSL Transformations
XSRF or CSRF	cross-site request forgery
XSS	cross-site scripting
XST	cross-site tracing
XUL	Extensible User-interface Language
Y2K	year 2000
yacc	yet another compiler compiler
Yagi antenna	Yagi-Uda array
YMS	yard management system
YUM	Yellowdog Updater, Modified
Zbot	Zeus Trojan
ZBR	zoned-bit recording
ZBT	zero-based thinking
ZIF socket	Zero Insertion Force socket
Zope	Z Object Publishing Environment
ZRTP	Zimmermann Real-Time Transport Protocol
ZV port	Zoomed Video port

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