

## SOME PHYSICAL CONSTANTS\*

Speed of light	$c$	$2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$
Gravitational constant	$G$	$6.673 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2$
Avogadro constant	$N_A$	$6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
Universal gas constant	$R$	$8.314 \text{ J/mol} \cdot \text{K}$
Mass–energy relation	$c^2$	$8.988 \times 10^{16} \text{ J/kg}$ $931.49 \text{ MeV/u}$
Permittivity constant	$\epsilon_0$	$8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$
Permeability constant	$\mu_0$	$1.257 \times 10^{-6} \text{ H/m}$
Planck constant	$h$	$6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}$ $4.136 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV} \cdot \text{s}$
Boltzmann constant	$k$	$1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$ $8.617 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/K}$
Elementary charge	$e$	$1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Electron mass	$m_e$	$9.109 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
Proton mass	$m_p$	$1.673 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Neutron mass	$m_n$	$1.675 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Deuteron mass	$m_d$	$3.344 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Bohr radius	$a$	$5.292 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$
Bohr magneton	$\mu_B$	$9.274 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J/T}$ $5.788 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/T}$
Rydberg constant	$R$	$1.097\,373 \times 10^7 \text{ m}^{-1}$

\*For a more complete list, showing also the best experimental values, see Appendix B.

## THE GREEK ALPHABET

Alpha	A	$\alpha$	Iota	I	$\iota$	Rho	P	$\rho$
Beta	B	$\beta$	Kappa	K	$\kappa$	Sigma	$\Sigma$	$\sigma$
Gamma	$\Gamma$	$\gamma$	Lambda	$\Lambda$	$\lambda$	Tau	T	$\tau$
Delta	$\Delta$	$\delta$	Mu	M	$\mu$	Upsilon	$\Upsilon$	$\upsilon$
Epsilon	E	$\epsilon$	Nu	N	$\nu$	Phi	$\Phi$	$\phi, \varphi$
Zeta	Z	$\zeta$	Xi	$\Xi$	$\xi$	Chi	X	$\chi$
Eta	H	$\eta$	Omicron	O	$o$	Psi	$\Psi$	$\psi$
Theta	$\Theta$	$\theta$	Pi	$\Pi$	$\pi$	Omega	$\Omega$	$\omega$

## SOME CONVERSION FACTORS\*

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### ***Mass and Density***

$$1 \text{ kg} = 1000 \text{ g} = 6.02 \times 10^{26} \text{ u}$$

$$1 \text{ slug} = 14.59 \text{ kg}$$

$$1 \text{ u} = 1.661 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

$$1 \text{ kg/m}^3 = 10^{-3} \text{ g/cm}^3$$

### ***Length and Volume***

$$1 \text{ m} = 100 \text{ cm} = 39.4 \text{ in.} = 3.28 \text{ ft}$$

$$1 \text{ mi} = 1.61 \text{ km} = 5280 \text{ ft}$$

$$1 \text{ in.} = 2.54 \text{ cm}$$

$$1 \text{ nm} = 10^{-9} \text{ m} = 10 \text{ \AA}$$

$$1 \text{ pm} = 10^{-12} \text{ m} = 1000 \text{ fm}$$

$$1 \text{ light-year} = 9.461 \times 10^{15} \text{ m}$$

$$1 \text{ m}^3 = 1000 \text{ L} = 35.3 \text{ ft}^3 = 264 \text{ gal}$$

### ***Time***

$$1 \text{ d} = 86\,400 \text{ s}$$

$$1 \text{ y} = 365\frac{1}{4} \text{ d} = 3.16 \times 10^7 \text{ s}$$

### ***Angular Measure***

$$1 \text{ rad} = 57.3^\circ = 0.159 \text{ rev}$$

$$\pi \text{ rad} = 180^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \text{ rev}$$

### ***Speed***

$$1 \text{ m/s} = 3.28 \text{ ft/s} = 2.24 \text{ mi/h}$$

$$1 \text{ km/h} = 0.621 \text{ mi/h} = 0.278 \text{ m/s}$$

### ***Force and Pressure***

$$1 \text{ N} = 10^5 \text{ dyne} = 0.225 \text{ lb}$$

$$1 \text{ lb} = 4.45 \text{ N}$$

$$1 \text{ ton} = 2000 \text{ lb}$$

$$1 \text{ Pa} = 1 \text{ N/m}^2 = 10 \text{ dyne/cm}^2 \\ = 1.45 \times 10^{-4} \text{ lb/in.}^2$$

$$1 \text{ atm} = 1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa} = 14.7 \text{ lb/in.}^2 \\ = 76.0 \text{ cm Hg}$$

### ***Energy and Power***

$$1 \text{ J} = 10^7 \text{ erg} = 0.2389 \text{ cal} = 0.738 \text{ ft} \cdot \text{lb}$$

$$1 \text{ kW} \cdot \text{h} = 3.6 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$$

$$1 \text{ cal} = 4.1868 \text{ J}$$

$$1 \text{ eV} = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

$$1 \text{ horsepower} = 746 \text{ W} = 550 \text{ ft} \cdot \text{lb/s}$$

### ***Magnetism***

$$1 \text{ T} = 1 \text{ Wb/m}^2 = 10^4 \text{ gauss}$$

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\*See Appendix D for a more complete list.