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**DPP-2 Units & Measurements: Principle of Homogeneity
By Physicsaholics Team**

Q) In the formula $P = P_0 e^{-\frac{hc}{x}}$, h is Planck's constant (Unit = J-s) and c is speed of light. The dimensional formula for x is

- (a) $M^1 L^2 T^{-2}$
- (b) $M^0 L^1 T^0$
- (c) $M^1 L^3 T^{-2}$
- (d) $M^0 L^0 T^0$



Ans. C

Solution:

$$P = P_0 e^{-\frac{hc}{n}}$$

$\therefore \frac{hc}{n}$ is in power of 'c', so it will be dimensionless.

$$\left[\frac{hc}{n} \right] = M^0 L^0 T^0$$

$$\text{so, } [n] = [hc] = [h][c]$$

$$[n] = M L^2 T^{-1} \cdot L T^{-1}$$

$$\boxed{[n] = M L^3 T^{-2}} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

$$\text{unit of } h = \text{J-S}$$

$$[h] = [\text{J}] [\text{s}]$$

$$= M L^2 T^{-2} \cdot T$$

$$\boxed{[h] = M L^2 T^{-1}}$$

$$\boxed{[c] = L T^{-1}}$$

Q) In a book, the answer for a particular question is expressed as $b = \frac{ma}{k} \left[\sqrt{1 + \frac{2k\ell}{ma}} \right]$
here m represents mass, a represents acceleration, ℓ represents length. The unit of b should be

- (a) m/s
- (b) m/s^2
- (c) meter
- (d) sec^{-1}



Ans. C

Solution:

$$b = \frac{ma}{k} \left[\sqrt{1 + \frac{2kl}{ma}} \right]$$

as; 1 is dimensionless

so; from; $\sqrt{1 + \frac{2kl}{ma}}$ $\frac{2kl}{ma}$ is also dimensionless
as it is adding in '1' (dimensionless)

$$\text{so;} \left[\frac{2kl}{ma} \right] = M^0 L^6 T^6$$

$$[k] = \left[\frac{m}{l} \right] = \frac{M L T^{-2}}{L} = M L^0 T^{-2}$$

$$[k] = M L^0 T^{-2}$$

$$\text{Ans; } [b] = \left[\frac{ma}{k} \right] = \frac{[m][a]}{[k]} = \frac{M L T^2}{M L^0 T^{-2}} = L'$$

$$[b] = L$$

so) Unit of 'b' = meter Ans.

Q) The velocity v of a particle at time t is given by $v = at + \frac{b}{t+c}$, where a , b and c are constants. The dimensions of a , b and c are respectively:

- (a) LT^{-2} , L and T
- (b) L^2 , T and LT^2
- (c) LT^2 , LT and L
- (d) L , LT and T^2



Ans. a

Solution:

$$v = at + \frac{b}{t+c}$$

From "t+c"; $[t] = [c] \Rightarrow [c] = T$

And; $[v] = [at] = \left[\frac{b}{t+c} \right]$

so; $[at] = [v] \Rightarrow [a][t] = [v] \Rightarrow [a] = \frac{[v]}{[t]} = \frac{LT^{-1}}{T^{-1}}$

$$[v] = \left[\frac{b}{t+c} \right] \Rightarrow [v] = \frac{[b]}{[t+c]} \Rightarrow [b] = [v][t] = LT^1 \cdot T$$

$$[b] = L$$

$$[a] = LT^{-2}; [b] = L; [c] = T \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

Q) The time dependence of physical quantity P is given by $P = P_0 e^{-\alpha t^2 + \beta t + \gamma}$, where α , β , γ are constants and their dimensions are given by (where t is time) -

- (a) $M^0 L^0 T^{-2}$, $M^0 L^0 T^{-1}$, $M^0 L^0 T^0$
- (b) $M^0 L^{-1} T^{-2}$, $M^0 L^0 T^{-1}$, $M^0 L^0 T$
- (c) $M^0 L^0 T^{-1}$, $M L T^{-2}$, $M^0 L^0 T^{-1}$
- (d) M , L , T , $M L T^0$, $M^0 L^0 T^0$



Ans. a

Solution:

$$P = P_0 e^{-\alpha t^2 + \beta t + r}$$

as; e^x = dimensionless

$$[P] = [P_0]$$

and Power of 'e' is $-\alpha t^2 + \beta t + r$

so; $-\alpha t^2 + \beta t + r$ = dimensionless

so; $[\alpha t^2] = [\beta t] = [r] = \text{dimensionless} = M^0 L^0 T^0$

so; $[\alpha] [t^2] = M^0 L^0 T^0 \Rightarrow [\alpha] T^2 = M^0 L^0 T^0 \Rightarrow [\alpha] = T^{-2}$

And; $[\beta] [t] = M^0 L^0 T^0 \Rightarrow [\beta] T = M^0 L^0 T^0 \Rightarrow [\beta] = T^{-1}$

And; $[r] = M^0 L^0 T^0 \Rightarrow [r] = \text{dimensionless}$

Q) If A and B are two physical quantities having different dimensions then which of the following can't denote a new physical quantity?

(a) $A + \frac{A^3}{B}$

(b) $\exp\left(-\frac{A}{B}\right)$

(c) AB^2

(d) $\frac{A}{B^4}$

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Ans. b

Solution:

As; A & B have different dimensions.

so; $\frac{A}{B}$ = will definitely have dimension.

so; in (b) $e^{-(\frac{A}{B})}$ has dimension, as power cannot have dimension, but $(\frac{A}{B})$ has dimension.

so, this expression can't denote a new physical quantity.

Q) A hypothetical experiment conducted to find Young's modulus $Y = \frac{T^x \tau \cos \theta}{l^3}$ where τ is torque, l is length and T is time period then find x .
[Hint: Unit of Y is N/m^2 and Torque = Force \times Perpendicular distance]

- (a) 0
- (b) 1
- (c) -1
- (d) 2



Ans. a

Solution:

as; unit of $\gamma = N/m^2$

$$\text{so, } [\gamma] = \frac{MLT^2}{L^2} = ML^{-1}T^2$$

$$\& \tau = F \cdot \gamma_L \Rightarrow [\tau] = [F][\gamma] \Rightarrow [\tau] = ML^{-2} \cdot L$$

$$[\alpha] = M^0 L^1 T^0$$

& α = dimension less;

$$\text{so, } [\gamma] = \frac{[T]^n [\tau]}{[\alpha]^3}$$

$$[\gamma] = ML^{-1}T^2$$

$$[\tau] = ML^{-2}T^2$$

$$[T] = M^0 L^0 T^1$$

$$ML^{-1}T^2 = \frac{T^n M L^2 T^2}{L^3}$$

$$ML^{-1}T^2 = T^n M L^1 T^2$$

$$n=0$$

Q) While printing a book a printer made certain mistakes in the following relation.
Find the correct relation.
(y, A and x are in meter)

- (a) $y = A \sin \omega \theta$
- (b) $y = A \sin (\omega x + \theta)$
- (c) $y = A \sin (\omega t + \theta)$
- (d) $y = (A/x) \sin \omega t + \theta$



Ans. C

Solution:

(a) $\ddot{y} = A \sin \omega t$

as $\sin \omega t$ = Dimensionless

$$\therefore [y] = [A] = M^0 L^1 T^0$$

Dimensionally correct

(b)

$$y = A \sin (\omega t + \phi)$$

as $\sin (\omega t + \phi)$ = Dimensionless

$$\therefore [y] = [A] = M^0 L^1 T^0$$

Dimensionally correct

(c) $y = A \cdot \sin (\omega t + \phi)$

as $\sin (\omega t + \phi)$ = Dimensionless

$$\therefore [y] = [A] = M^0 L^1 T^0$$

Dimensionally correct

(d) $y = \frac{A}{\pi} \sin (\omega t + \phi)$

as $\sin (\omega t + \phi)$ = Dimensionless

$$\therefore [\ddot{y}] = M^0 L^1 T^0$$

$$\therefore \left[\frac{A}{\pi}\right] = \frac{[A]}{[\pi]} = \frac{L}{\pi} = L^0$$

so, $[\ddot{y}] \neq \left[\frac{A}{\pi}\right]$

so, this expression is
not dimensionally correct.

Q) $\int \frac{dt}{\sqrt{2at-t^2}} = a^x \sin^{-1} \left[\frac{t}{a} - 1 \right]$ The value of x is

- (a) 1
- (c) 0

- (b) -1
- (d) 2

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Ans. C

Solution:

$$\frac{dt}{\sqrt{2at - t^2}} = a^n \sin^{-1} \left[\frac{t}{a} - 1 \right]$$

as; $\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{t}{a} - 1 \right)$ = dimensionless

dt = change in time ; $[dt] = M^0 L^0 T^1$

$$[2at] = [t^2] \Rightarrow [a][t] = [t^2] \Rightarrow [a] = [t] \Rightarrow [a] = M^0 L^0 T^1$$

$$\therefore [2at] = [t^2] = M^0 L^0 T^2$$

so;

$$\frac{dt}{\sqrt{2at - t^2}} = [a]^n \Rightarrow \frac{[dt]}{[2at - t^2]^{1/2}} = [a]^n$$

$$\frac{T}{[T^2]^{1/2}} = [T]^n \Rightarrow \frac{I}{T} = [T]^n$$

$$\Rightarrow T^0 = [T]^n \Rightarrow n=0 \text{ Ans}$$

Q) If force $F = \frac{Ke^{-br}}{r^2}$ varies with distance r. Then write the dimensions of K and b

- (a) ML^3T^{-2}, L^{-1}
- (b) $M^{-2}LT^{-3}, L^{-1}$
- (c) $ML^{-2}T^3, L^{-2}$
- (d) $M^{-2}L^{-3}T^2, L^{-2}$

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Ans. a

Solution:

$$F = \frac{k e^{-bx}}{r^2}$$

as; e^{-bx} and bx are dimensionless

$$\Rightarrow [bx] = [b][x] = M^0 L^0 T^0 \Rightarrow [b] L = M^0 L^0 T^0$$

$$[b] = M^0 L^{-1} T^0$$

& $[F] = \frac{[k]}{[r^2]} \Rightarrow [k] = [F] [r^2] = M L T^{-2} \cdot L^2$

$$[k] = M L^3 T^{-2}$$

Q) Let x, y and z be three physical quantities having different dimensions. Which of the following mathematical operations must be meaningless?

(a) $\frac{x}{y} = z$

(c) $x^2 y^3 = z$

(b) $\frac{xy}{x+y} = z$

(d) $x^2 + y^3 = z$

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Ans. b

Solution:

If n , y and z , all have different dimensions.
so; n , y & z can't be added and subtracted directly.

But (b) $\frac{ny}{n+y} = z$; n & y can't be added.

so, (b) $\frac{ny}{n+y} = z$ must be meaningless expression.

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