

Module I : Units, Dimensions and Vectors

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$$\begin{aligned}\dim(D) &= \dim(A^x) \times \dim(B^y) \times \dim(C^z) \\ &= (ML^2T^{-1})^x \times (LT^{-1})^y \times (M^{-1}L^3T^{-2})^z \\ &= M^{x-z} L^{2x+y+3z} T^{-x-y-2z} = M^0 L^1 T^0\end{aligned}$$

$$A = \hbar, B = c, C = G \implies \text{Planck length } l_p = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}} \approx 10^{-35} \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Similarly we can also construct Planck time } t_p = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^5}}$$