

INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM OF UNITS (SI)

SI Base Units

Base Quantity	SI Base Unit	
	Name	Symbol
length	meter	m
mass	kilogram	kg
time	second	s
electric current	ampere	A
thermodynamic temperature	kelvin	K
amount of substance	mole	mol
luminous intensity	candela	cd

SI Prefixes

Factor	Name	Symbol	Factor	Name	Symbol
10^{24}	yotta	Y	10^{-1}	deci	d
10^{21}	zetta	Z	10^{-2}	centi	c
10^{18}	exa	E	10^{-3}	milli	m
10^{15}	peta	P	10^{-6}	micro	μ
10^{12}	tera	T	10^{-9}	nano	n
10^9	giga	G	10^{-12}	pico	p
10^6	mega	M	10^{-15}	femto	f
10^3	kilo	k	10^{-18}	atto	a
10^2	hecto	h	10^{-21}	zepto	z
10^1	deka	da	10^{-24}	yocto	y

Examples of SI Derived Units

Derived Quantity	SI derived unit	
	Name	Symbol
area	square meter	m^2
volume	cubic meter	m^3
speed, velocity	meter per second	m/s
acceleration	meter per second squared	m/s^2
wave number	reciprocal meter	m^{-1}
mass density	kilogram per cubic meter	kg/m^3
specific volume	cubic meter per kilogram	m^3/kg
current density	ampere per square meter	A/m^2
magnetic field strength	ampere per meter	A/m
amount-of-substance concentration	mole per cubic meter	mol/m^3
luminance	candela per square meter	cd/m^2
mass fraction	kilogram per kilogram, which may be represented by the number 1	$kg/kg = 1$

SI Derived Units With Special Names and Symbols

Derived Quantity	SI Derived Unit			
	Name	Symbol	Expression in Terms of Other SI Units	Expression in terms of Other SI Base Units
plane angle	radian ^(a)	rad	-	$m \cdot m^{-1} = 1$ ^(b)
solid angle	steradian ^(a)	sr ^(c)	-	$m^2 \cdot m^{-2} = 1$ ^(b)
frequency	hertz	Hz	-	s^{-1}
force	newton	N	-	$m \cdot kg \cdot s^{-2}$
pressure, stress	pascal	Pa	N/m^2	$m^{-1} \cdot kg \cdot s^{-2}$
energy, work, quantity of heat	joule	J	$N \cdot m$	$m^2 \cdot kg \cdot s^{-2}$
power, radiant flux	watt	W	J/s	$m^2 \cdot kg \cdot s^{-3}$
electric charge, quantity of electricity	coulomb	C	-	$s \cdot A$
electric potential difference, electromotive force	volt	V	W/A	$m^2 \cdot kg \cdot s^{-3} \cdot A^{-1}$
capacitance	farad	F	C/V	$m^{-2} \cdot kg^{-1} \cdot s^4 \cdot A^2$
electric resistance	ohm	Ω	V/A	$m^2 \cdot kg \cdot s^{-3} \cdot A^{-2}$
electric conductance	siemens	S	A/V	$m^{-2} \cdot kg^{-1} \cdot s^3 \cdot A^2$
magnetic flux	weber	Wb	$V \cdot s$	$m^2 \cdot kg \cdot s^{-2} \cdot A^{-1}$
magnetic flux density	tesla	T	Wb/m^2	$kg \cdot s^{-2} \cdot A^{-1}$
inductance	henry	H	Wb/A	$m^2 \cdot kg \cdot s^{-2} \cdot A^{-2}$
Celsius temperature	degree Celsius	$^{\circ}C$	-	K
luminous flux	lumen	lm	$cd \cdot sr$ ^(c)	$m^2 \cdot m^{-2} \cdot cd = cd$
illuminance	lux	lx	lm/m^2	$m^2 \cdot m^{-4} \cdot cd = m^{-2} \cdot cd$
activity (of a radionuclide)	becquerel	Bq	-	s^{-1}
absorbed dose, specific energy (imparted), kerma	gray	Gy	J/kg	$m^2 \cdot s^{-2}$
dose equivalent ^(d)	sievert	Sv	J/kg	$m^2 \cdot s^{-2}$
catalytic activity	katal	kat	-	$s^{-1} \cdot mol$

^(a) The *radian* and *steradian* may be used advantageously in expressions for derived units to distinguish between quantities of a different nature but of the same dimension; some examples are given in Table 4.

^(b) In practice, the symbols *rad* and *sr* are used where appropriate, but the derived unit "1" is generally omitted.

^(c) In photometry, the unit name *steradian* and the unit symbol *sr* are usually retained in expressions for derived units.

^(d) Other quantities expressed in *sieverts* are *ambient dose equivalent*, *directional dose equivalent*, *personal dose equivalent*, and *organ equivalent dose*.

Examples of Derived Units Whose Names and Symbols Include SI Derived Units with Special Names and Symbols

Derived Quantity	SI derived unit	
	Name	Symbol
dynamic viscosity	pascal second	Pa·s
moment of force	newton meter	N·m
surface tension	newton per meter	N/m
angular velocity	radian per second	rad/s
angular acceleration	radian per second squared	rad/s ²
heat flux density, irradiance	watt per square meter	W/m ²
heat capacity, entropy	joule per kelvin	J/K
specific heat capacity, specific entropy	joule per kilogram kelvin	J/(kg·K)
specific energy	joule per kilogram	J/kg
thermal conductivity	watt per meter kelvin	W/(m·K)
energy density	joule per cubic meter	J/m ³
electric field strength	volt per meter	V/m
electric charge density	coulomb per cubic meter	C/m ³
electric flux density	coulomb per square meter	C/m ²
permittivity	farad per meter	F/m
permeability	henry per meter	H/m
molar energy	joule per mole	J/mol
molar entropy, molar heat capacity	joule per mole kelvin	J/(mol·K)
exposure (x and γ rays)	coulomb per kilogram	C/kg
absorbed dose rate	gray per second	Gy/s
radiant intensity	watt per steradian	W/sr
radiance	watt per square meter steradian	W/(m ² ·sr)
catalytic (activity) concentration	katal per cubic meter	kat/m ³

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10 ²⁴	yotta	Y
10 ²¹	zetta	Z
10 ¹⁸	exa	E
10 ¹⁵	peta	P
10 ¹²	tera	T
10 ⁹	giga	G
10 ⁶	mega	M
10 ³	kilo	k
10 ²	hecto	h
10 ¹	deka	da

Factor	Name	Symbol
10 ⁻¹	deci	d
10 ⁻²	centi	c
10 ⁻³	milli	m
10 ⁻⁶	micro	μ
10 ⁻⁹	nano	n
10 ⁻¹²	pico	p
10 ⁻¹⁵	femto	f
10 ⁻¹⁸	atto	a
10 ⁻²¹	zepto	z
10 ⁻²⁴	yocto	y

MISCELLANEOUS

Some Physical Constants

standard value for gravity acceleration	$g_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 9.806\ 65\ \text{m/s}^2$
light velocity in space	$c = 299.7924\ \text{Mm/s}$
molar gas constant	$R = 8.314\ 41\ \text{J}/(\text{mol}\cdot\text{K})$
triple point for water	$T_3 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 273.16\ \text{K}$
Avogadro's constant	$N_A = 6.022\ 045 \cdot 10^{23}\ \text{mol}^{-1}$
Boltzmann's constant	$k = R/N_A = 1.380\ 66 \cdot 10^{-23}\ \text{J/K}$
molar volume for ideal gas at:	
$p_0 = 1\ \text{atm}$ $= 101.325\ \text{kPa}$	
og $T_0 = 273.15\ \text{K}$	$V_0 = RT_0/p_0 = 22.4138\ \text{dm}^3/\text{mol}$

Mathematic Symbols

=	.....	equal
≠	.....	not equal, different from
≡	.....	identical equal
≈	.....	about/approximate equal
$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$	.....	per definition equal, defined equal
\triangleq	.....	corresponding to
→	.....	towards
∞	.....	infinity
<	.....	less than
>	.....	greater than
≤	.....	less than or equal
≥	.....	greater than or equal
«	.....	much lesser than
»	.....	much greater than

Mass

kg	lb (pound)	slug	oz (ounce)	cwt (hundred-weight)	ton (UK)	sh cwt (short hundred weight) (US)	sh tn (short ton) (US)
1	2.204 62	$68.521 8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	35.274 0	$19.684 1 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.984 207 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$22.046 2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.102 31 \cdot 10^{-3}$
0.453 592 37	1	$31.081 0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	16	$8.928 57 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.446 429 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$10 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$
14.593 9	32.174 0	1	514.785	0.287 268	$14.363 4 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.321 740	$16.086 9 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$28.349 5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$62.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.942 56 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1	$0.558 036 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$27.901 8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$0.625 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$31.25 \cdot 10^{-6}$
50.802 3	112	3.481 07	$1.792 \cdot 10^3$	1	$50 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1.12	$56 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$1.016 05 \cdot 10^3$	$2.24 \cdot 10^3$	69.621 3	$35.84 \cdot 10^3$	20	1	22.4	1.12
45.359 237	100	3.108 10	$1.6 \cdot 10^3$	0.892 857	$44.642 9 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1	$50 \cdot 10^{-3}$
907.185	$2 \cdot 10^3$	62.161 9	$32 \cdot 10^3$	17.857 1	0.892 857	20	1

Mass Inertia Moment

kg · m ²	g · m ²	lb · ft ²	lb · in ²	slug · ft ²	oz · in ²
1	$10 \cdot 10^6$	23.730 4	$3.417 17 \cdot 10^3$	0.737 565	$54.675 0 \cdot 10^3$
$0.1 \cdot 10^6$	1	$2.373 04 \cdot 10^6$	$0.341 717 \cdot 10^3$	$73.756 5 \cdot 10^{-9}$	$5.467 50 \cdot 10^3$
$42.140 0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$421.4 \cdot 10^3$	1	144	$31.081 0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.304 \cdot 10^3$
$0.292 640 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.926 40 \cdot 10^3$	$6.944 40 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1	$0.215 839 \cdot 10^{-3}$	16
1.355 73	$13.557 3 \cdot 10^6$	32.174 0	$4.633 06 \cdot 10^3$	1	$74.128 9 \cdot 10^3$
$18.290 0 \cdot 10^{-6}$	182.900	$0.434 028 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$62.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$13.490 0 \cdot 10^{-6}$	1

Force/Power

N	dyn	kp (kilopond)	lbf (pound-force)
1	$0.1 \cdot 10^8$	0.101 972	0.224 809
$10 \cdot 10^6$	1	$1.079 72 \cdot 10^6$	$2.248 09 \cdot 10^6$
9.806 65	$0.980 665 \cdot 10^8$	1	2.204 62
4.448 22	$0.444 822 \cdot 10^8$	0.453 592	1

1 kgf = 1 kp = 9.80665 N

Force Moment

Nm	kpm	lbf	lbf · ft
1	0.101 972	8.850 75	0.737 562
9.806 65	1	86.796 2	7.233 01
0.112 985	$11.521 2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1	$83.333 3 \cdot 10^{-3}$
1.355 82	0.138 255	12	1

Pressure, Tension

N/m ² Pa	bar	kp/cm ² at	kp/mm ²	torr	atm (normal-atmosphere)	lbf/in ²
1	$10 \cdot 10^5$	$10.197 2 \cdot 10^6$	$0.101 972 \cdot 10^8$	$7.500 62 \cdot 10^3$	$9.869 23 \cdot 10^6$	$0.145 038 \cdot 10^3$
$100 \cdot 10^3$	1	1.019 72	$10.197 2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	750.062	0.986 923	14.503 8
$98.066 5 \cdot 10^3$	0.980 665	1	$10 \cdot 10^3$	735.559	0.967 841	14.223 3
$9.806 65 \cdot 10^6$	98.066 5	100	1	$73.555 9 \cdot 10^3$	96.784 1	$1.422 33 \cdot 10^3$
133.322	$1.333 22 \cdot 10^3$	$1.359 51 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$13.595 1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	1	$1.315 79 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$19.336 8 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$101.325 \cdot 10^3$	1.013 25	1.033 23	$10.332 3 \cdot 10^{-3}$	760	1	14.695 9
$6.894 76 \cdot 10^3$	$68.947 6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$70.307 0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.703 070 \cdot 10^{-3}$	51.714 9	$68.046 0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1

1 pascal = 1 N/m²

1 torr = 1 mmHg

Dynamic Viscosity

N s/m ² kg/s m	N s/mm ²	P (poise)	cP
1	10^6	10	10^4
10^8	1	$10 \cdot 10^8$	10^8
0.1	$0.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	1	100
10^{-3}	10^{-9}	$10 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1

Kinematical Viscosity

m ² /s	St (stoke)	mm ² /s cSt
1	$10 \cdot 10^4$	10^6
10^6	$10 \cdot 10^3$	1
$0.1 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1	100

Time

s	min	h	d (24 hours)	week
1	$16.6667 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.277778 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$11.5741 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.65344 \cdot 10^{-6}$
60	1	$16.6667 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.694444 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$99.2063 \cdot 10^{-6}$
$3.6 \cdot 10^3$	60	1	$41.6667 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$5.95238 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$86.4 \cdot 10^3$	$1.44 \cdot 10^3$	24	1	0.142857
$604.8 \cdot 10^3$	$10.08 \cdot 10^3$	168	7	1

Velocity

m/s	km/h	ft/s	mile/h	kn (knot)
1	3.6	3.28084	2.23694	1.94384
0.277778	1	0.911344	0.621371	0.539957
0.3048	1.09728	1	0.681818	0.592484
0.44704	1.609344	1.46667	1	0.868976
0.51444	1.852	1.68781	1.15078	1

Energy, Work, Heat

J Nm, Ws	erg	kWh	eV (electrovoltage)	kpm	kcal	hkh (metric horsepower hour)	ft-lbf (foot pound-force)	Btu (British thermal unit)
1	$10 \cdot 10^7$	$0.277228 \cdot 10^6$	$6.242 \cdot 10^{18}$	0.101972	$0.238846 \cdot 10^3$	$0.377673 \cdot 10^6$	0.737562	$0.947817 \cdot 10^3$
$0.1 \cdot 10^6$	1	$27.7778 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$0.6242 \cdot 10^{12}$	$10.1972 \cdot 10^{-9}$	$23.8846 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$37.7673 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$73.7562 \cdot 10^{-9}$	$94.7817 \cdot 10^{-12}$
$3.6 \cdot 10^9$	$36 \cdot 10^{12}$	1	$22.47 \cdot 10^{24}$	$0.367098 \cdot 10^8$	859.845	1.35962	$2.65522 \cdot 10^5$	$3.41214 \cdot 10^3$
$0.1602 \cdot 10^{18}$	$1.602 \cdot 10^{12}$	$44.50 \cdot 10^{-27}$	1	$16.34 \cdot 10^{-21}$	$38.26 \cdot 10^{-24}$	$60.50 \cdot 10^{-27}$	$0.1182 \cdot 10^{-18}$	$0.1518 \cdot 10^{-21}$
9.80665	$98.0665 \cdot 10^6$	$2.72407 \cdot 10^6$	$61.21 \cdot 10^{18}$	1	$2.34228 \cdot 10^3$	$3.70370 \cdot 10^6$	7.23301	$9.29491 \cdot 10^3$
$4.1868 \cdot 10^3$	$41.868 \cdot 10^9$	$1.163 \cdot 10^3$	$26.13 \cdot 10^{21}$	426.935	1	$1.58124 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.08803 \cdot 10^3$	3.96832
$2.6477955 \cdot 10^6$	$26.477955 \cdot 10^{12}$	0.735499	$16.53 \cdot 10^{24}$	$0.27 \cdot 10^6$	632.415	1	$1.95291 \cdot 10^5$	$2.50963 \cdot 10^3$
1.35582	$13.5582 \cdot 10^3$	$0.376616 \cdot 10^6$	$8.463 \cdot 10^{18}$	0.138255	$0.323832 \cdot 10^3$	$0.512055 \cdot 10^6$	1	$1.28507 \cdot 10^3$
$1.05506 \cdot 10^3$	$10.5506 \cdot 10^9$	$0.293071 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.586 \cdot 10^{21}$	107.586	0.251996	$0.389466 \cdot 10^{-3}$	778.169	1

Effect

W Nm/s, J/s	kpm/s	kcal/s	kcal/h	hkh (metric horsepower)	hp (UK, US) horsepower	ft.lbf/s	Btu/h
1	0.101972	$0.238846 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.859845	$1.35962 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.34102 \cdot 10^{-1}$	0.737562	3.41214
9.80665	1	$2.34228 \cdot 10^{-3}$	8.43220	$13.3333 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$13.1509 \cdot 10^{-3}$	7.23301	33.4617
$4.1868 \cdot 10^3$	426.935	1	$3.6 \cdot 10^3$	5.69246	5.61459	$3.08803 \cdot 10^3$	$14.2860 \cdot 10^3$
1.163	0.118593	$0.277778 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1	$1.58124 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.55961 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.857785	3.96832
735.499	75	0.175671	632.415	1	0.986320	542.476	$2.50963 \cdot 10^3$
745.700	76.0402	0.178107	641.186	1.01387	1	550	$2.54443 \cdot 10^3$
1.35582	0.138255	$0.323832 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1.16579	$1.84340 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.81818 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1	4.62624
0.293071	$29.8849 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$69.9988 \cdot 10^{-6}$	0.251996	$0.398467 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.393015 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.216158	1

Heat Conduction Ability

W/m K W/m ² °C	kcal/m h K kcal/m h °C	cal/cm s K cal/cm s °C	Btu in/ft h °F	Btu in/ft ² h °F
1	0.859845	$2.38846 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.577789	6.93347
1.163	1	$2.77778 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.671969	8.06363
418.68	360	241.909	$2.90291 \cdot 10^3$	12
1.73073	1.48816	$4.13379 \cdot 10^{-3}$	1	12
0.144228	0.124014	$0.344482 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.0833333	1

Heat Passage

W/m ² K W/m ² °C	kcal/m ² h K kcal/m ² h °C	cal/cm ² s K cal/cm ² s °C	Btu in/ft ² h °F
1	0.859845	$23.8846 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.176110
1.163	1	$27.7778 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.204816
$41.868 \cdot 10^3$	$36 \cdot 10^3$	1	$7.73738 \cdot 10^3$
5.67826	4.88243	$135.623 \cdot 10^{-6}$	1

Temperature, Temperature Differences

Kelvin-Scale	Celsius-Scale	Rankine-Scale	Fahrenheit-Scale
0 K	-273.15°C	0°R	-459.67°F
255.3722 K	-17.7778°C	459.67°R	0°F
273.15 K	0°C	491.67°R	32°F
273.16 K	0.01°C	491.688°R	32.018°F
1 K	1°C	1.8°R	1.8°F
0.555556 K	0.555556°C	1°R	1°F

Magnetic Sizes

1 Oe (1 örsted) corresponding to $10^3/4\pi$ A/m = 79.5775 A/m
 1 A/m corresponding to $4\pi \cdot 10^{-3}$ Oe = 12.5663 $\cdot 10^{-3}$ Oe
 1 Mx (1 maxwell) = 10^{-8} Wb
 1 Gs (1 gauss) = 10^{-4} T