

### Useful Constants (For a more complete list, see Appendix D)

Atomic mass unit	$1 \text{ amu} = 1.6606 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$
Avogadro's number	$N = 6.0221415 \times 10^{23} \text{ particles/mol}$
Electronic charge	$e = 1.60218 \times 10^{-19} \text{ coulombs}$
Faraday constant	$F = 96,485 \text{ coulombs/equivalent}$ $= 96,485 \text{ coulombs/mol } e^-$
Gas constant	$R = 0.08206 \frac{\text{L} \cdot \text{atm}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}} = 1.987 \frac{\text{cal}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}}$ $= 8.3145 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}} = 8.3145 \frac{\text{kPa} \cdot \text{dm}^3}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}}$
Ion product for water	$K_w = 1.0 \times 10^{-14}$
Pi	$\pi = 3.1416$
Planck's constant	$h = 6.6260693 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}$ $= 6.6260693 \times 10^{-27} \text{ erg} \cdot \text{s}$
Speed of light (in vacuum)	$c = 2.99792458 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

### Useful Relationships (For a more complete list, see Appendix C)

#### Mass and Weight

##### SI Base Unit: Kilogram (kg)

1 kilogram	= 1000 grams = 2.205 pounds
1 gram	= 1000 milligrams
1 pound	= 453.59 grams
1 amu	= $1.6606 \times 10^{-24}$ grams
1 gram	= $6.022 \times 10^{23}$ amu
1 ton	= 2000 pounds

#### Length

##### SI Base Unit: Meter (m)

1 inch	= 2.54 centimeters (exactly)
1 meter	= 100 centimeters = 39.37 inches
1 yard	= 0.9144 meter
1 mile	= 1.609 kilometers
1 kilometer	= 1000 meters = 0.6215 mile
1 Ångstrom	= $1.0 \times 10^{-10}$ meters = $1.0 \times 10^{-8}$ centimeters

#### Volume

##### SI Base Unit: Cubic Meter (m<sup>3</sup>)

1 liter	= 0.001 cubic meter $\text{m}^3$
1 liter	= 1000 cubic centimeters = 1000 mL
1 liter	= 1.056 quarts
1 quart	= 0.9463 liter
1 milliliter	= 0.001 liter = 1 cubic centimeter $\text{cm}^3$
1 cubic foot	= 7.475 gallons = 28.316 liters
1 gallon	= 4 quarts

#### Energy

##### SI Base Unit: Joule (J)

1 calorie	= 4.184 joules = $4.129 \times 10^{-2}$ L · atm
1 joule	= $1 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{s}^2} = 0.23901 \text{ calorie}$
1 joule	= $1 \times 10^7$ ergs
1 electron volt	= $1.6022 \times 10^{-19}$ joule
1 electron volt	= 96.485 kJ/mol
1 L · atm	= 24.217 calories = 101.325 joules

#### Pressure

##### SI Base Unit: Pascal (Pa)

1 pascal	= $1 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m} \cdot \text{s}^2} = 1 \text{ newton/m}^2$
1 atmosphere	= 760 torr
	= 760 millimeters of mercury
	= $1.01325 \times 10^5$ pascals
	= 1.01325 bar
	= 14.70 pounds per square inch
1 torr	= 1 millimeter of mercury

#### Temperature

##### SI Base Unit: Kelvin (K)

0 K	= -273.15°C
? K	= °C + 273.15°
?°F	= 1.8(°C) + 32°
?°C	= $\frac{°F - 32°}{1.8}$

# Common Units, Equivalences, and Conversion Factors

## C APPENDIX

### C-1 Fundamental Units of the SI System

The metric system was implemented by the French National Assembly in 1790 and has been modified many times. The International System of Units, or *le Système International* (SI), represents an extension of the metric system. It was adopted by the eleventh General Conference of Weights and Measures in 1960 and has also been modified since. It is constructed from seven base units, each of which represents a particular physical quantity (Table I).

The first five units listed in Table I are particularly useful in general chemistry. They are defined as follows.

1. The *meter* is defined as the distance light travels in a vacuum in  $1/299,792,458$  second.
2. The *kilogram* represents the mass of a platinum-iridium block kept at the International Bureau of Weights and Measures at Sèvres, France.
3. The *second* was redefined in 1967 as the duration of 9,192,631,770 periods of a certain line in the microwave spectrum of cesium-133.
4. The *kelvin* is  $1/273.16$  of the temperature interval between absolute zero and the triple point of water.
5. The *mole* is the amount of substance that contains as many entities as there are atoms in exactly 0.012 kg of carbon-12 (12 g of  $^{12}\text{C}$  atoms).

Alternatives for the standard mass have been proposed.

TABLE I

SI Fundamental Units

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

### Prefixes Used with Metric Units and SI Units

Decimal fractions and multiples of metric and SI units are designated by the prefixes listed in Table II. Those most commonly used in general chemistry are underlined.

**TABLE II** Traditional Metric and SI Prefixes

Factor	Prefix	Symbol	Factor	Prefix	Symbol
$10^{12}$	tera	T	$10^{-1}$	<u>deci</u>	d
$10^9$	giga	G	$10^{-2}$	<u>centi</u>	c
$10^6$	mega	M	$10^{-3}$	<u>milli</u>	m
$10^3$	<u>kilo</u>	<u>k</u>	$10^{-6}$	micro	$\mu$
$10^2$	hecto	h	$10^{-9}$	<u>nano</u>	n
$10^1$	deka	da	$10^{-12}$	pico	p
			$10^{-15}$	femto	f
			$10^{-18}$	atto	a

## C-2 Derived SI Units

In the International System of Units all physical quantities are represented by appropriate combinations of the base units listed in Table I. A list of the derived units frequently used in general chemistry is given in Table III.

**TABLE III** Derived SI Units

Physical Quantity	Name of Unit	Symbol	Definition
area	square meter	$m^2$	
volume	cubic meter	$m^3$	
density	kilogram per cubic meter	$kg/m^3$	
force	newton	N	$kg \cdot m/s^2$
pressure	pascal	Pa	$N/m^2$
energy	joule	J	$kg \cdot m^2/s^2$
electric charge	coulomb	C	A·s
electric potential difference	volt	V	J/(A·s)

### Common Units of Mass and Weight

$$1 \text{ pound} = 453.59 \text{ grams}$$

$$1 \text{ pound} = 453.59 \text{ grams} = 0.45359 \text{ kilogram}$$

$$1 \text{ kilogram} = 1000 \text{ grams} = 2.205 \text{ pounds}$$

$$1 \text{ gram} = 10 \text{ decigrams} = 100 \text{ centigrams}$$

$$= 1000 \text{ milligrams}$$

$$1 \text{ gram} = 6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ atomic mass units}$$

$$1 \text{ atomic mass unit} = 1.6606 \times 10^{-24} \text{ gram}$$

$$1 \text{ short ton} = 2000 \text{ pounds} = 907.2 \text{ kilograms}$$

$$1 \text{ long ton} = 2240 \text{ pounds}$$

$$1 \text{ metric tonne} = 1000 \text{ kilograms} = 2205 \text{ pounds}$$

### Common Units of Length

$$1 \text{ inch} = 2.54 \text{ centimeters (exactly)}$$

$$1 \text{ mile} = 5280 \text{ feet} = 1.609 \text{ kilometers}$$

$$1 \text{ yard} = 36 \text{ inches} = 0.9144 \text{ meter}$$

$$1 \text{ meter} = 100 \text{ centimeters} = 39.37 \text{ inches} = 3.281 \text{ feet} \\ = 1.094 \text{ yards}$$

$$1 \text{ kilometer} = 1000 \text{ meters} = 1094 \text{ yards} = 0.6215 \text{ mile}$$

$$1 \text{ Ångstrom} = 1.0 \times 10^{-8} \text{ centimeter} = 0.10 \text{ nanometer} \\ = 1.0 \times 10^{-10} \text{ meter} = 3.937 \times 10^{-9} \text{ inch}$$

### Common Units of Volume

$$1 \text{ quart} = 0.9463 \text{ liter}$$

$$1 \text{ liter} = 1.056 \text{ quarts}$$

$$1 \text{ liter} = 1 \text{ cubic decimeter} = 1000 \text{ cubic centimeters} \\ = 0.001 \text{ cubic meter}$$

$$1 \text{ milliliter} = 1 \text{ cubic centimeter} = 0.001 \text{ liter} \\ = 1.056 \times 10^{-3} \text{ quart}$$

$$1 \text{ cubic foot} = 28.316 \text{ liters} = 29.902 \text{ quarts} \\ = 7.475 \text{ gallons}$$

### Common Units of Force\* and Pressure

$$1 \text{ atmosphere} = 760 \text{ millimeters of mercury} \\ = 1.01325 \times 10^5 \text{ pascals} \\ = 1.01325 \text{ bar} \\ = 14.70 \text{ pounds per square inch}$$

$$1 \text{ bar} = 10^5 \text{ pascals} = 0.98692 \text{ atm}$$

$$1 \text{ torr} = 1 \text{ millimeter of mercury}$$

$$1 \text{ pascal} = 1 \text{ kg/m} \cdot \text{s}^2 = 1 \text{ N/m}^2$$

\*Force: 1 newton (N) = 1 kg · m/s<sup>2</sup>, i.e., the force that, when applied for 1 second, gives a 1-kilogram mass a velocity of 1 meter per second.

### Common Units of Energy

$$1 \text{ joule} = 1 \times 10^7 \text{ ergs}$$

$$1 \text{ thermochemical calorie}^* = 4.184 \text{ joules} = 4.184 \times 10^7 \text{ ergs} \\ = 4.129 \times 10^{-2} \text{ liter-atmospheres} \\ = 2.612 \times 10^{19} \text{ electron volts}$$

$$1 \text{ erg} = 1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ joule} = 2.3901 \times 10^{-8} \text{ calorie}$$

$$1 \text{ electron volt} = 1.6022 \times 10^{-19} \text{ joule} = 1.6022 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg} = 96.487 \text{ kJ mol}^\dagger$$

$$1 \text{ liter-atmosphere} = 24.217 \text{ calories} = 101.325 \text{ joules} = 1.01325 \times 10^9 \text{ ergs}$$

$$1 \text{ British thermal unit} = 1055.06 \text{ joules} = 1.05506 \times 10^{10} \text{ ergs} = 252.2 \text{ calories}$$

\*The amount of heat required to raise the temperature of one gram of water from 14.5°C to 15.5°C.

†Note that the other units are per particle and must be multiplied by  $6.022 \times 10^{23}$  to be strictly comparable.

# Physical Constants

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Quantity	Symbol	Traditional Units	SI Units
Acceleration of gravity	$g$	980.6 cm/s	9.806 m/s
Atomic mass unit ( $\frac{1}{12}$ the mass of $^{12}\text{C}$ atom)	amu or u	$1.6606 \times 10^{-24}$ g	$1.6606 \times 10^{-27}$ kg
Avogadro's number	$N$	$6.0221415 \times 10^{23}$ particles/mol	$6.0221415 \times 10^{23}$ particles/mol
Bohr radius	$a_0$	0.52918 Å $5.2918 \times 10^{-9}$ cm	$5.2918 \times 10^{-11}$ m
Boltzmann constant	$k$	$1.3807 \times 10^{-16}$ erg/K	$1.3807 \times 10^{-23}$ J/K
Charge-to-mass ratio of electron	$e/m$	$1.75882 \times 10^8$ coulomb/g	$1.75882 \times 10^{11}$ C/kg
Electronic charge	$e$	$1.60218 \times 10^{-19}$ coulomb $4.8033 \times 10^{-10}$ esu	$1.60218 \times 10^{-19}$ C
Electron rest mass	$m_e$	$9.10940 \times 10^{-28}$ g 0.00054858 amu	$9.10940 \times 10^{-31}$ kg
Faraday constant	$F$	96,485 coulombs/eq 23.06 kcal/volt·eq	96,485 C/mol $e^-$ 96,485 J/V·mol $e^-$
Gas constant	$R$	$0.08206 \frac{\text{L} \cdot \text{atm}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}}$ $1.987 \frac{\text{cal}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}}$	$8.3145 \frac{\text{kPa} \cdot \text{dm}^3}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}}$ $8.3145 \text{ J/mol} \cdot \text{K}$
Molar volume (STP)	$V_m$	22.414 L/mol	$22.414 \times 10^{-3}$ m <sup>3</sup> /mol 22.414 dm <sup>3</sup> /mol
Neutron rest mass	$m_n$	$1.67495 \times 10^{-24}$ g 1.008665 amu	$1.67495 \times 10^{-27}$ kg
Planck constant	$h$	$6.6260693 \times 10^{-27}$ erg·s	$6.6260693 \times 10^{-34}$ J·s
Proton rest mass	$m_p$	$1.6726 \times 10^{-24}$ g 1.007277 amu	$1.6726 \times 10^{-27}$ kg
Rydberg constant	$R_\infty$	$3.289 \times 10^{15}$ cycles/s $2.1799 \times 10^{-11}$ erg	$1.0974 \times 10^7 \text{ m}^{-1}$ $2.1799 \times 10^{-18}$ J
Speed of light (in a vacuum)	$c$	$2.99792458 \times 10^{10}$ cm/s (186,281 miles/second)	$2.99792458 \times 10^8$ m/s

$\pi = 3.1416$        $2.303 R = 4.576 \text{ cal/mol} \cdot \text{K} = 19.15 \text{ J/mol} \cdot \text{K}$   
 $e = 2.71828$        $2.303 RT$  (at 25°C) = 1364 cal/mol = 5709 J/mol  
 $\ln X = 2.303 \log X$

