

### Values of some physical constants

Quantity	Usual symbol	Value
Charge on electron	$e$	$1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Rest-mass of electron	$m_e$	$9.109 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
Electron charge/mass	$e/m_e$	$1.759 \times 10^{11} \text{ C kg}^{-1}$
Rest-mass of proton	$M$	$1.673 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Ratio: proton/electron mass	$M/m_e$	1836
Boltzmann constant	$k$	$1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$
Avogadro's number	$N_A$	$6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
Gas constant	$R$	$8.315 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$
Mechanical equivalent of heat	—	$4.186 \text{ J cal}^{-1}$
Volume of 1 mole of gas at s.t.p.*	$V$	$22.41 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3$
Faraday constant	$F$	$96\,490 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$
Planck's constant	$h$	$6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$
Planck's constant/ $2\pi$	$\hbar$	$1.055 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$
Bohr magneton [ $eh/4\pi m_e$ ]	$\mu_B$	$9.274 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J T}^{-1}$
Bohr radius	$a_0$	$0.529 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$
Gravitational constant	$G$	$6.673 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N m}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$
Energy equivalent of 1 eV		$1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$
Velocity of light	$c$	$299\,800 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
Permeability of free space	$\mu_0$	$4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ H m}^{-1}$
Permittivity of free space	$\epsilon_0$ $=(\mu_0 c^2)^{-1}$	$8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F m}^{-1}$

The values in the above table for  $N_A$ ,  $R$ ,  $J$  and  $F$  are 'physical' constants based on the number of atoms in 0.012 kg of  $^{12}\text{C}$ . The equivalent constants used by chemists are sometimes based on a different molar convention and the values quoted may differ by up to one part in a thousand. The calorie in this table is the 15 °C calorie defined on p. 33.

\* s.t.p. = 273 K and 1 atm.