

## Planck units

Planck units have profound significance for theoretical physics since they elegantly simplify several recurring algebraic expressions of physical law by nondimensionalization

The universal constants that Planck units, by definition, normalize to 1 are:  
gravitational constant,  $G$ ,  
reduced Planck constant,  $\hbar$ ,  
speed of light in a vacuum,  $c$ ,  
Coulomb constant,  $(4\pi\epsilon_0)^{-1}$  (sometimes  $k_e$  or  $k$ ), and  
Boltzmann constant,  $k_B$  (sometimes  $k$ ).

$c$  electromagnetism and special relativity,  $G$  general relativity and Newtonian gravity,  $\hbar$  quantum mechanics,  $\epsilon_0$  electrostatics,  $k_B$  statistical mechanics and thermodynamics

communication with extraterrestrial intelligence would have to employ such a system of units in order to be understood

"God's units"



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Quantity	Expression	Metric value	Name
<u>Length</u> (L)	$l_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}}$	$1.616 \times 10^{-35}$ m	<u>Planck length</u>
<u>Mass</u> (M)	$m_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{G}}$	$2.176 \times 10^{-8}$ kg	<u>Planck mass</u>
<u>Time</u> (T)	$t_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^5}}$	$5.3912 \times 10^{-44}$ s	<u>Planck time</u>
<u>Temperature</u> ( $\Theta$ )	$T_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c^5}{G k_B^2}}$	$1.417 \times 10^{32}$ K	<u>Planck temperature</u>
<u>Electric charge</u> (Q)	$q_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{k_e}}$	$1.876 \times 10^{-18}$ C	<u>Planck charge</u>