

UNIT & DIMENSION

1. Young's modulus of elasticity Y is expressed in terms of three derived quantities, namely, the gravitational constant G , Planck's constant h and the speed of light c , as $Y = c^\alpha h^\beta G^\gamma$. Which of the following is the correct option ? **[JEE(Advanced) 2023]**
 - (A) $\alpha = 7, \beta = -1, \gamma = -2$
 - (B) $\alpha = -7, \beta = -1, \gamma = -2$
 - (C) $\alpha = 7, \beta = -1, \gamma = 2$
 - (D) $\alpha = -7, \beta = 1, \gamma = -2$

2. In a particular system of units, a physical quantity can be expressed in terms of the electric charge e , electron mass m_e , Planck's constant h , and Coulomb's constant $k = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$, where ϵ_0 is the permittivity of vacuum. In terms of these physical constants, the dimension of the magnetic field is $[B] = [e]^\alpha [m_e]^\beta [h]^\gamma [k]^\delta$. The value of $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta$ is _____. **[JEE(Advanced) 2022]**

3. A physical quantity \vec{S} is defined as $\vec{S} = (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) / \mu_0$, where \vec{E} is electric field, \vec{B} is magnetic field and μ_0 is the permeability of free space. The dimensions of \vec{S} are the same as the dimensions of which of the following quantity (ies) ? **[JEE(Advanced) 2021]**
 - (A) $\frac{\text{Energy}}{\text{charge} \times \text{current}}$
 - (B) $\frac{\text{Force}}{\text{Length} \times \text{Time}}$
 - (C) $\frac{\text{Energy}}{\text{Volume}}$
 - (D) $\frac{\text{Power}}{\text{Area}}$

4. Sometimes it is convenient to construct a system of units so that all quantities can be expressed in terms of only one physical quantity. In one such system, dimensions of different quantities are given in terms of a quantity X as follows: [position] = $[X^\alpha]$; [speed] = $[X^\beta]$; [acceleration] = $[X^p]$; [linear momentum] = $[X^q]$; [force] = $[X^r]$. Then - **[JEE(Advanced) 2020]**
 - (A) $\alpha + p = 2\beta$
 - (B) $p + q - r = \beta$
 - (C) $p - q + r = \alpha$
 - (D) $p + q + r = \beta$

5. Let us consider a system of units in which mass and angular momentum are dimensionless. If length has dimension of L , which of the following statement (s) is/are correct ? **[JEE(Advanced) 2019]**
 - (A) The dimension of force is L^{-3}
 - (B) The dimension of energy is L^{-2}
 - (C) The dimension of power is L^{-5}
 - (D) The dimension of linear momentum is L^{-1}

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(There are two questions based on Paragraph "X", the question given below is one of them)

6. The relation between $[E]$ and $[B]$ is :- **[JEE(Advanced) 2018]**
 - (A) $[E] = [B][L][T]$
 - (B) $[E] = [B][L]^{-1}[T]$
 - (C) $[E] = [B][L][T]^{-1}$
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7. The relation between $[\epsilon_0]$ and $[\mu_0]$ is :- **[JEE(Advanced) 2018]**

- (A) $[\mu_0] = [\epsilon_0][L]^2[T]^{-2}$ (B) $[\mu_0] = [\epsilon_0][L]^{-2}[T]^2$
 (C) $[\mu_0] = [\epsilon_0]^{-1}[L]^2[T]^{-2}$ (D) $[\mu_0] = [\epsilon_0]^{-1}[L]^{-2}[T]^2$

8. A length-scale (ℓ) depends on the permittivity (ϵ) of a dielectric material, Boltzmann constant k_B , the absolute temperature T, the number per unit volume (n) of certain charged particles, and the charge (q) carried by each of the particles, Which of the following expressions(s) for ℓ is(are) dimensionally correct?

[JEE(Advanced) 2016]

- (A) $\ell = \sqrt{\left(\frac{nq^2}{\epsilon k_B T}\right)}$ (B) $\ell = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\epsilon k_B T}{nq^2}\right)}$ (C) $\ell = \sqrt{\left(\frac{q^2}{\epsilon n^{2/3} k_B T}\right)}$ (D) $\ell = \sqrt{\left(\frac{q^2}{\epsilon n^{1/3} k_B T}\right)}$

9. In terms of potential difference V, electric current I, permittivity ϵ_0 , permeability μ_0 and speed of light c, the dimensionally correct equation(s) is(are) **[JEE(Advanced) 2015]**

- (A) $\mu_0 I^2 = \epsilon_0 V^2$ (B) $\epsilon_0 I = \mu_0 V$ (C) $I = \epsilon_0 c V$ (D) $\mu_0 c I = \epsilon_0 V$

10. Planck's constant h, speed of light c and gravitational constant G are used to form a unit of length L and a unit of mass M. Then the correct option(s) is(are) :- **[JEE(Advanced) 2015]**

- (A) $M \propto \sqrt{c}$ (B) $M \propto \sqrt{G}$ (C) $L \propto \sqrt{h}$ (D) $L \propto \sqrt{G}$

11. To find the distance d over which a signal can be seen clearly in foggy conditions, a railways engineer uses dimensional analysis and assumes that the distance depends on the mass density ρ of the fog, intensity (power/area) S of the light from the signal and its frequency f. The engineer finds that d is proportional to $S^{1/n}$. The value of n is. **[JEE(Advanced) 2014]**

SOLUTIONS

1. Ans. (A)

Sol. $Y = c^\alpha h^\beta G^\gamma$

$$ML^{-1}T^{-2} = (LT^{-1})^\alpha (ML^2T^{-1})^\beta (M^{-1}L^3T^{-2})^\gamma$$

$$1 = \beta - \gamma \quad \dots(1)$$

$$-1 = \alpha + 2\beta + 3\gamma \quad \dots(2)$$

$$-2 = -\alpha - \beta - 2\gamma \quad \dots(3)$$

$$\underline{-3 = \beta + \gamma}$$

$$\underline{1 = \beta - \gamma}$$

$$-2 = 2\beta \quad \Rightarrow \beta = -1, \gamma = -2$$

$$-1 = \alpha - 2 - 6 \quad \therefore \alpha = 7$$

2. Ans. (4)

Sol. $B = e^\alpha (m_e)^\beta h^\gamma k^\delta$

$$[B] = [e^\alpha][m_e]^\beta [h]^\gamma [k]^\delta$$

$$[M^1T^{-2}A^{-1}] = [AT]^\alpha [m]^\beta [ML^2T^{-1}]^\gamma [ML^3A^{-2}T^{-4}]^\delta$$

$$M^1T^{-2}A^{-1} = m^{\beta+\gamma+\delta} L^{2r+3\delta} T^{\alpha-\gamma-4\delta} A^{\alpha-2\delta}$$

$$\text{Compare : } \beta + \gamma + \delta = 1; 2\gamma + 3\delta = 0,$$

$$\alpha - \gamma - 4\delta = -2, \alpha - 2\delta = -1$$

$$\text{On solving } \alpha = 3, \beta = 2, \gamma = -3, \delta = 2$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta = 4$$

3. Ans. (B, D)

Sol. $\vec{S} = [\vec{E} \times \vec{B}] \frac{1}{\mu_0}$

S is poynting vector denotes flow of energy per unit area per unit time

$$\vec{S} = \frac{\text{watt}}{\text{m}^2}$$

Hence B, D are correct

4. Ans. (A, B)

Sol. Given,

$$L = x^\alpha \quad \dots(1)$$

$$LT^{-1} = x^\beta \quad \dots(2)$$

$$LT^{-2} = x^p \quad \dots(3)$$

$$MLT^{-1} = x^q \quad \dots(4)$$

$$MLT^{-2} = x^r \quad \dots(5)$$

$$\frac{(1)}{(2)} \Rightarrow T = x^{\alpha-\beta}$$

From (3)

$$\frac{x^\alpha}{x^{2(\alpha-\beta)}} = x^p$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + p = 2\beta \quad (A)$$

From (4)

$$M = x^{q-\beta}$$

$$\text{From (5)} \Rightarrow x^q = x^r x^{\alpha-\beta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + r - q = \beta \quad \dots(6)$$

Replacing value 'α' in equation (6) from (A)

$$2\beta - p + r - q = \beta$$

$$\Rightarrow p + q - r = \beta \quad (B)$$

Replacing value of 'β' in equation (6) from (A)

$$2\alpha + 2r - 2q = \alpha + p$$

$$\alpha = p + 2q - 2r$$

5. Ans. (A, B, D)

Sol. Mass = $M^0L^0T^0$

$$MV_r = M^0L^0T^0$$

$$M^0 \frac{L^1}{T^1} \cdot L^1 = M^0L^0T^0$$

$$L^2 = T^1 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Force} = M^1L^1T^{-2} \quad (\text{in SI})$$

$$= M^0L^1L^{-4} \quad (\text{In new system from equation (1)})$$

$$= L^{-3}$$

$$\text{Energy} = M^1L^2T^{-2} \quad (\text{In SI})$$

$$= M^0L^2L^{-4} \quad (\text{In new system from equation (1)})$$

$$= L^{-2}$$

$$\text{Power} = \frac{\text{Energy}}{\text{Time}}$$

$$= M^1L^2T^{-3} \quad (\text{in SI})$$

$$= M^0L^2L^{-6} \quad (\text{In new system from equation (1)})$$

$$= L^{-4}$$

$$\text{Linear momentum} = M^1L^1T^{-1} \quad (\text{in SI})$$

$$= M^0L^1L^{-2} \quad (\text{In new system from equation (1)})$$

$$= L^{-1}$$

6. Ans. (C)

Sol. We have $\frac{E}{C} = B$

$$\therefore [B] = \frac{[E]}{[C]} = [E]L^{-1}T^1$$

$$\Rightarrow [E] = [B] [L][T^{-1}]$$

7. **Ans. (D)**

Sol. We have,

$$C = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$$

$$\therefore [C^2] = \left[\frac{1}{\mu_0 \epsilon_0} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow L^2 T^{-2} = \frac{1}{[\mu_0][\epsilon_0]} \Rightarrow [\mu_0] = [\epsilon_0]^{-1} [L]^{-2} [T]^2$$

8. **Ans. (B, D)**

Sol. We know,

$$F = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q^2}{r^2} \Rightarrow \frac{q^2}{\epsilon_0} = (Fr^2)4\pi$$

So, dimension

$$\frac{q^2}{\epsilon_0} = \dim(Fr^2) = MLT^{-2} \times L^2 = ML^3T^{-2}$$

$$\text{Similarly; } E = \frac{3}{2} K_B T \Rightarrow$$

$$\dim(K_B T) = \dim(\text{Energy}) = ML^2T^{-2}$$

$$(A) \sqrt{\frac{nq^2}{\epsilon k_B T}} = \sqrt{\frac{L^{-3} \times ML^3T^{-2}}{ML^2T^{-2}}} = \frac{1}{L}$$

$$(B) \sqrt{\frac{(E) \times \text{vol}}{Fr^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{ML^2T^{-2} \times L^3}{MLT^{-2} \times L^2}} = L$$

$$(C) \sqrt{\frac{Fr^2(\text{vol})^{2/3}}{(K\epsilon)}} = \sqrt{\frac{MLT^{-2} \times L^2 \times L^2}{ML^2T^{-2}}} = \sqrt{L^3} = L^{3/2}$$

$$(D) \sqrt{\frac{Fr^2(\text{vol})^{1/3}}{\text{Energy}}} = \sqrt{\frac{MLT^{-2}L^2 \times L}{ML^2T^{-2}}} = L$$

$$[\therefore \text{dimension } n = \dim\left(\frac{1}{\text{vol}}\right) = L^{-3}]$$

9. **Ans. (A, C)**

Sol. Using $C = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$ &

$$R = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} \text{ we can check the correctness.}$$

$$(A) \mu_0 I^2 = \epsilon_0 V^2$$

$$\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{V^2}{I^2} = R^2$$

$$\therefore R^2 = R^2 \text{ correct}$$

$$(B) \epsilon_0 I = \mu_0 V$$

$$\frac{\epsilon_0}{\mu_0} = \frac{V}{I}$$

$$\frac{1}{R^2} = R \text{ not correct}$$

$$(C) I = \epsilon_0 c V$$

$$\frac{I}{V} = \epsilon_0 c = \frac{\epsilon_0}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}}$$

$$\frac{1}{R} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_0}{\mu_0}} = \frac{1}{R} \text{ correct}$$

$$(D) \mu_0 C I = \epsilon_0 V$$

$$\frac{\mu_0 C}{\epsilon_0} = \frac{V}{I}$$

$$\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}} = R$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} = R \Rightarrow \frac{R}{\epsilon_0} = R \text{ incorrect}$$

10. **Ans. (A, C, D)**

Sol. $[h] = [ML^2T^{-1}]$

$$[c] = [LT^{-1}]$$

$$[G] = [M^{-1}L^3T^{-2}]$$

For unit of length

$$\text{Let } L \propto h^x c^y G^z$$

\Rightarrow From principle of homogeneity

$$[\text{LHS}] = [\text{RHS}]$$

$$\Rightarrow [M^0 L T^0] = [ML^2 T^{-1}]^x [LT^{-1}]^y [M^{-1} L^3 T^{-2}]^z$$

$$M^0 L T^0 = M^{x-z} L^{2x+y+3z} T^{-x-y-2z}$$

comparing we get

$$x - z = 0$$

$$2x + y + 3z = 1$$

$$-x - y - 2z = 0$$

$$\text{Solving we get, } x = \frac{1}{2}, y = \frac{-3}{2}, z = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$L = \sqrt{\frac{hG}{c^3}}$$

For unit of mass

$$\text{Let } M \propto h^x c^y G^z$$

Solving in similar manner as above

$$\text{We get } x = \frac{1}{2}, y = \frac{1}{2}, z = \frac{-1}{2}$$

$$M = \sqrt{\frac{hc}{G}}$$

11. Ans. (3)

Sol. $L = (I)^n (d)^y (t)^z$

$$L = (M^1 L^0 T^{-3})^x (M^1 L^{-3})^y (T^{-1})^z$$

$$L = M^{x+y} L^{-3y} T^{-3x-z}$$

$$-3y = 1 \quad x + y = 0$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{3} \quad x - \frac{1}{3} = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$L = (I)^{1/3} (d)^{-1/3} (t)^2$$

$$n = 3$$