

Distances, lengths, sizes

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Moon's circumference	10921000 m	10921 km
Denver to GJ	341181 m	341.181 km
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Width of computer chip	0.0030 m	0.0000030 km
Width of flu virus	0.000009 m	0.000000009 km

Question 1

Derived distance units are:

$$1 \text{ km} = 1000 \text{ m}$$

$$1 \text{ mm} = 0.001 \text{ m}$$

Which of the following is true regarding the length of any single object?

1. The length recorded in kilometers is a larger number than in meters.
2. The length recorded in kilometers is a smaller number than in meters.
3. The length recorded is the same number in all units.

Question 2

Consider

0.0001

Which of the following represents 0.0001?

1. 10^4
2. 10^3
3. 10^{-4}
4. 10^{-3}

Question 3

Consider

$$\frac{10^5 \times 10^{-2}}{10^4}$$

Which of the following does this yield?

1. 0.01
2. 0.1
3. 1
4. 10
5. 100

Question 4

Consider

$$10^3 \times 10^2$$

Which of the following does this yield?

1. 10^1
2. 10^2
3. 10^3
4. 10^5
5. 10^6

Question 5

Consider

$$98.7 \times 10^{-2}$$

Which of the following expresses this in decimal notation?

1. 9870
2. 987
3. 98.7
4. 9.87
5. 0.987

Question 6

Consider the number

0.00234

Which of the following is equivalent?

1. 2.34×10^{-3}
2. 2.34×10^{-2}
3. 2.34×10^{-1}
4. 2.34×10^2
5. 2.34×10^3