

Units for magnetic dipole-dipole interaction

The magnetic dipole-dipole interaction equation (see below) contains the constant factor:

$$\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \beta_e^2 \left(= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \mu_B^2 \right)$$

The Bohr magneton (magnetic moment of an electron) uses either of the symbols β_e or μ_B , with the former seeming to be more popular in EPR and the latter in standard physics.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bohr_magneton

(There is a similar situation with the nuclear magneton symbolized as either β_N (β_n) or μ_N

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nuclear_magneton).

$$\beta_e (= \mu_B) = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} = \frac{eh}{[4\pi]m_e}$$

units: C J s kg⁻¹ (charge on electron in C; \hbar in J s; mass of electron in kg)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vacuum_permeability

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ Hm}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} = 1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ Hm}^{-1}$$

(Note that this is for magnetic properties; for electric properties there is the vacuum permittivity

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vacuum_permittivity).

vacuum permeability in henry per meter:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry_\(unit\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry_(unit))

$$\text{H} = \text{J A}^{-2} = \text{J s}^2 \text{ C}^{-2} \quad (\text{A} = \text{C s}^{-1})$$

$$\text{units: H m}^{-1} = \text{J s}^2 \text{ C}^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1}$$

So now one can determine the units for the entire constant factor:

$$\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \beta_e^2$$

$$\text{units: } (\text{J s}^2 \text{ C}^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1}) (\text{J s C kg}^{-1})^2 = \text{J}^3 \text{ s}^4 \text{ kg}^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1}$$

Alternatively, using β_e (μ_B) as commonly defined in J T⁻¹:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tesla_\(unit\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tesla_(unit))

$$(\text{J s}^2 \text{ C}^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1}) (\text{J T}^{-1})^2 = \text{J}^3 \text{ s}^2 \text{ C}^{-2} \text{ T}^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1} = \text{J}^3 \text{ s}^2 \text{ C}^{-2} (\text{kg C}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1})^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1} = \text{J}^3 \text{ s}^4 \text{ kg}^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1}$$

$$\text{J}^3 \text{ s}^4 \text{ kg}^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1} = \text{J} (\text{kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2})^2 \text{ s}^4 \text{ kg}^{-2} \text{ m}^{-1} = \text{J m}^3$$

Numerical value for $\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \beta_e^2$:

$$(1 \times 10^{-7}) \times (9.274009994 \times 10^{-24})^2 = 8.600726 \times 10^{-54} \text{ J m}^3$$

So this gives in the desired energy \times volume (distance cubed) SI units, but not in convenient molecular/spectroscopic units.

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Convert to molecular/spectroscopic units – cm^{-1} per $(\text{\AA})^3$ by dividing by hc :

$$8.600726 \times 10^{-54} \text{ J m}^3 \times (10^{10} \text{ \AA/m})^3 \times (6.626070 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s})^{-1} \times (2.99792 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm s}^{-1})^{-1} \\ = 0.43297 \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ \AA}^3$$

Equations for magnetic dipole-dipole interaction:

$$D_{xx_{\text{dip}}} = g_x^2 \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \beta_e^2 \left(\frac{1}{r^3} \right), D_{yy_{\text{dip}}} = g_y^2 \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \beta_e^2 \left(\frac{1}{r^3} \right), D_{zz_{\text{dip}}} = g_z^2 \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \beta_e^2 \left(\frac{-2}{r^3} \right)$$

$$D_{xx,yy,zz_{\text{dip}}} = 0.433 \left[g_{x,y,z}^2 \right] \left(\frac{1}{r^3} \right) [1, 1, -2]$$

so for e.g., $r = 4.0 \text{ \AA}$, ($g = 2.0$) the dipolar coupling is:

$$0.433 \times 4.0 \times (1/64) = [+0.027, +0.027, -0.054] \text{ cm}^{-1}, [+T, +T, -2T], \text{ where}$$

$$D_{\text{dip}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(2D_{zz_{\text{dip}}} - [D_{xx_{\text{dip}}} + D_{yy_{\text{dip}}}] \right), E_{\text{dip}} = \frac{1}{2} [D_{xx_{\text{dip}}} - D_{yy_{\text{dip}}}]$$

$$D_{\text{dip}} = -3T = -0.081 \text{ cm}^{-1}; E_{\text{dip}} = 0 \text{ (} r = 4.0 \text{ \AA, } g = 2.0 \text{)}.$$