



Logarithmic Scales - Measured Value (Number) to Magnitude

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What is the magnitude on the Richter scale when the wave height is 6.31×10^9 micrometers?

$$M = \log\left(\frac{l}{l_0}\right)$$

$$l_0 = 1\mu\text{m}$$

$$l = 6.31 \times 10^9 \mu\text{m}$$

A	B
$M = 8.8$	$M = 9.8$

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What is the dB magnitude on the decibel scale when the sound energy is $3.16 \times 10^{-5} \text{ W/m}^2$?

$$\text{dB} = 10 \log\left(\frac{l}{l_0}\right)$$

$$l_0 = 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$$

$$l = 3.16 \times 10^{-5} \text{ W/m}^2$$

A	B
$\beta = 75\text{dB}$	$\beta = 72\text{dB}$

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What is the dB magnitude on the decibel scale when the sound energy is 6.31 W/m^2 ?

$$\text{dB} = 10 \log\left(\frac{l}{l_0}\right)$$

$$l_0 = 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$$

$$l = 6.31 \text{ W/m}^2$$

A	B
$\beta = 124\text{dB}$	$\beta = 128\text{dB}$

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What is the dB magnitude on the decibel scale when the sound energy is 3.98 W/m^2 ?

$$\text{dB} = 10 \log\left(\frac{l}{l_0}\right)$$

$$l_0 = 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$$

$$l = 3.98 \text{ W/m}^2$$

A	B
$\beta = 133\text{dB}$	$\beta = 126\text{dB}$

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What is the dB magnitude on the decibel scale when the sound energy is $1 \times 10^{-10} \text{ W/m}^2$?

$$\text{dB} = 10 \log\left(\frac{l}{l_0}\right)$$

$$l_0 = 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$$

$$l = 1 \times 10^{-10} \text{ W/m}^2$$

A	B
$\beta = 20\text{dB}$	$\beta = 26\text{dB}$

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What is the magnitude on the Richter scale when the wave height is 20 micrometers?

$$M = \log\left(\frac{l}{l_0}\right)$$

$$l_0 = 1\mu\text{m}$$

$$l = 20\mu\text{m}$$

A	B
$M = 0.3$	$M = 1.3$

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What is the magnitude on the Richter scale when the wave height is 3.16×10^9 micrometers?

$$M = \log\left(\frac{l}{l_0}\right)$$

$$l_0 = 1\mu\text{m}$$

$$l = 3.16 \times 10^9 \mu\text{m}$$

A	B
$M = 10$	$M = 9.5$

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What is the dB magnitude on the decibel scale when the sound energy is $2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ W/m}^2$?

$$\text{dB} = 10 \log\left(\frac{l}{l_0}\right)$$

$$l_0 = 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$$

$$l = 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ W/m}^2$$

A	B
$\beta = 73\text{dB}$	$\beta = 80\text{dB}$