



# Relationship of acoustic quantities associated with a plane progressive acoustic sound wave

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Sound quantities	$\xi$	$v$	$a$	$p$	$I$	$E$	$P_{ac}$
Particle displacement $\xi$	-	$\frac{v}{\omega}$	$\frac{a}{\omega^2}$	$\frac{p}{\omega \cdot Z}$	$\frac{1}{\omega} \sqrt{\frac{I}{Z}}$	$\frac{1}{\omega} \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$	$\frac{1}{\omega} \sqrt{\frac{P_{ac}}{Z \cdot A}}$
Particle velocity $v$	$\xi \cdot \omega$	-	$\frac{a}{\omega}$	$\frac{p}{Z}$	$\sqrt{\frac{I}{Z}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{P_{ac}}{Z \cdot A}}$
Particle acceleration $a$	$\xi \cdot \omega^2$	$v \cdot \omega$	-	$\frac{p \cdot \omega}{Z}$	$\omega \sqrt{\frac{I}{Z}}$	$\omega \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$	$\omega \sqrt{\frac{P_{ac}}{Z \cdot A}}$
Sound pressure $p$	$\xi \cdot \omega \cdot Z$	$v \cdot Z$	$\frac{a \cdot Z}{\omega}$	-	$\sqrt{I \cdot Z}$	$c \sqrt{\rho \cdot E}$	$\sqrt{\frac{P_{ac} \cdot Z}{A}}$
Sound intensity $I$ $= P_{ac} / A = p \cdot v$	$\xi^2 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot Z$	$v^2 \cdot Z$	$\frac{a^2 \cdot Z}{\omega^2}$	$\frac{p^2}{Z}$	-	$E \cdot c$	$\frac{P_{ac}}{A}$
Sound energy density $E$ or $w$	$\xi^2 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot \rho$	$v^2 \cdot \rho$	$\frac{a^2 \cdot \rho}{\omega^2}$	$\frac{p^2}{Z \cdot c}$	$\frac{I}{c}$	-	$\frac{P_{ac}}{c \cdot A}$
Sound power $P_{ac}$ $= I \cdot A$	$\xi^2 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot Z \cdot A$	$v^2 \cdot Z \cdot A$	$\frac{a^2 \cdot Z \cdot A}{\omega^2}$	$\frac{p^2 \cdot A}{Z}$	$I \cdot A$	$E \cdot c \cdot A$	-

White = linear sound field quantity and gray = squared sound energy quantity.

Specific acoustic impedance  $Z = \rho \cdot c = \frac{p}{v} = \frac{I}{v^2} = \frac{p^2}{I}$  in  $\frac{N \cdot s}{m^3}$

Density of air  $\rho$  in  $\frac{kg}{m^3}$  is 1.204 kg/m<sup>3</sup> at 20 °C

Angular frequency  $\omega = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot f$

Frequency  $f$  in Hz =  $\frac{1}{s}$  in air of 20 °C:  $Z = 413 \frac{N \cdot s}{m^3}$

Area through a unit area normal to the direction  $A$  in m<sup>2</sup>

Displacement of air particles (excursion amplitude)  $\xi$  in m

Particle velocity (velocity amplitude)  $v$  in  $\frac{m}{s}$

Particle acceleration  $a$  in  $\frac{m}{s^2}$

Sound pressure (excess pressure)  $p = \frac{F}{A}$  in  $\frac{N}{m^2} = Pa$

Sound intensity  $I$  or  $J = p \cdot v = \frac{P_{ac}}{A}$  in  $\frac{W}{m^2}$

Sound energy density  $E$  or  $w = \frac{I}{c}$  in  $\frac{W \cdot s}{m^3}$

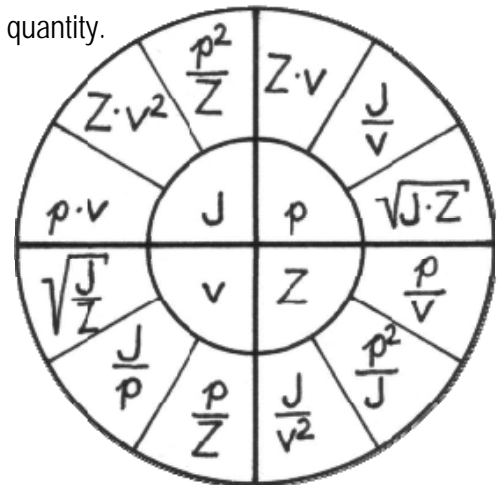
Here is 1 Joule  $J = W \cdot s = N \cdot m$

Sound power  $P_{ac} = I \cdot A$  in W

Speed of sound  $c$  in m/s (at 20 °C is  $c = 343$  m/s)

Because  $1 W \cdot s = 1 N \cdot m$ , the sound energy density is  $1 W \cdot s / m^3 \equiv 1 N \cdot m / m^3 = 1 N / m^2$  and that is the unit of a sound pressure in pascals!

To remember:  $W \cdot s = N \cdot m = J$  (joule).



To the comparison: U means here V

