Temperature

Temperature is a physical quantity expressing hot and cold. Temperature is measured with a thermometer. The most commonly used scales are the Celsius scale, denoted in °C (informally, degrees centigrade), the Fahrenheit scale (°F), and the Kelvin scale. The kelvin (K) is the unit of temperature in the International System of Units (SI), in which temperature is one of the seven fundamental base quantities.

Two different temperature scales that are commonly used are:

1. The Fahrenheit Scale

The Fahrenheit scale is marked from 32° F to 212° F. 32° F indicates the freezing point of water and 212° F indicates the boiling point of water.

2. The Celsius Scale

Celsius scale is also called centigrade scale and is marked from 0° C to 100° C. 0° C indicates the freezing point of water and 100° C indicates the boiling point of water.

Conversion of Temperature

When the temperature is given in degree Celsius:

Step 1: Multiply the given temperature in degree by 9.

Step 2: Divide the product obtained by 5.

Step 3: Add 32 to the quotient obtained in step 2 to get the temperature in degree Fahrenheit.

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Let us understand with an example:

Example: Convert 55° C into degree Fahrenheit.

Solution: Here given temperature is 55° C.

To convert into degree Fahrenheit first multiply 55 by 9 and we get product as 495.

Then, divide 495 by 5 and answer we get is 99.

Now, add 32 to 99 and final answer we get is 131.

Therefore, 55° C = 131° F

When the temperature is given in degree Fahrenheit:

Step 1: Subtract 32 from the given temperature in degree

Step 2: Multiply the difference obtained from step 1 by 5.

Step 3: Divide the product obtained from step 2 by 9 to get the temperature in degree Celsius.

Let us understand with an example:

Example: Convert 90° F into degree Celsius.

Solution: Here given temperature is 90° F.

To convert into degree Celsius first we need to subtract 32 from 90 and we get 58.

Then, multiply 58 by 5 we get answer as 290.

Now divide 290 by 9 and we get answer as 32.2.

Therefore, 90° F = 32.2° C