

METRIC MEASURES UP

Unit	Symbol	Measure
millimeter	mm	length
centimeter	cm	
meter	m	
milligram	mg	mass
kilogram	kg	
liter	L	volume

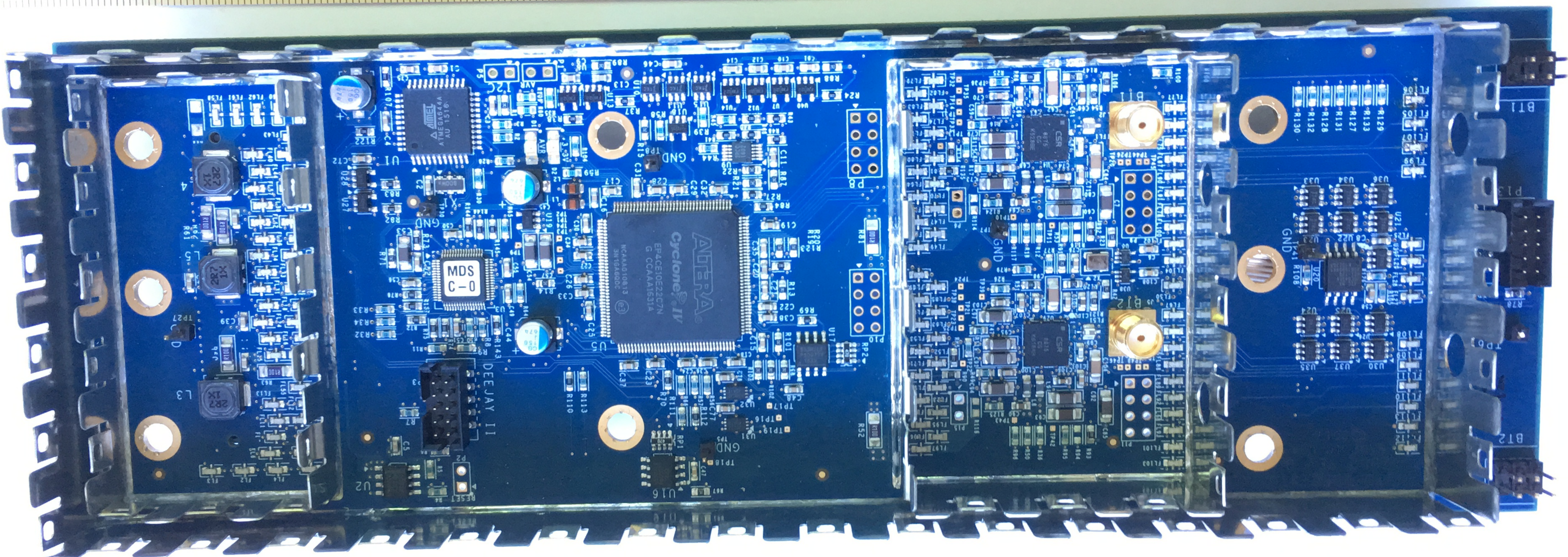
COMMON UNITS

COMMON PREFIXES		Prefix Symbol Multiple	
ITS	Measure	length	micro
		length	milli
		length	centi
mass	mass	kilo	k
		mega	M
		giga	G
volume	volume		

COMMON PREFIXES

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cm

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milli	m	1/1 000
centi	c	1/100
kilo	k	1 000
mega	M	1 000 000
giga	G	1 000 000 000

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NOTE: Scales and conversions are approximate (≅)

