

Molar heat capacity = c

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Amount of **heat** required to change the temperature of one unit of **mole** by one unit of **temperature**:

$$(1) \quad c = \frac{C}{v} = \frac{1}{v} \cdot \frac{\delta Q}{\delta T}$$

where

v	amount of chemical substance	C	heat capacity of the material
Symbol	Dimension	SI units	Oil metric units
c	$M L^2 T^{-2}$	J/(molK)	J/(molK)
			BTU/(mol°R)

Molar Heat Capacity is related to Specific Heat Capacity c_m and Volumetric Heat Capacity c_v as:

(2) $c = M \cdot c_m$	(3) $c = V_m \cdot c_v$
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where

M	molar mass of the substance	V_m	molar volume of the substance
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Molar Heat Capacity depends on the way the **heat** is transferred and as such is not a **material property**.

The two major **heat transfer processes** are **isobaric** and **isohoric** which define:

Isobaric molar heat capacity (c_p)	Isochoric molar heat capacity (c_v)
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The relation between **Isobaric molar heat capacity** and **Isochoric molar heat capacity** is given by **Mayer's relation** which particularly implies that **Isobaric molar heat capacity** is always greater than **Isochoric molar heat capacity**:

$$(4) \quad c_p \geq c_v$$

For **incompressible matter** the **Isobaric molar heat capacity (c_p)** and **Isochoric molar heat capacity (c_v)** are identical:

$$(5) \quad c_p = c_v$$

Most **solids** have about the same **Molar Heat Capacity**:

$$(6) \quad c_p \approx c_v \approx 3 R \approx 24.94 \text{ J/(mol} \cdot \text{K)}$$

where

R	Gas constant
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For the ideal gas the Molar Heat Capacity is predicted as:

$$(7) \quad c_V = \frac{f}{2} R$$

$$(8) \quad c_P = c_V + R = \frac{f+2}{2} R$$

where

f	number of molecular freedom degrees
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Most molecules reach values (7) and (8) at very high temperatures (thousands of K).

The Molar Heat Capacity of the mixture in thermodynamic equilibrium follows the simple mixing rule:

$$(9) \quad c = \sum_i x_i c_i$$

where

x_i	mole fraction of the i -th mixture component, subjected to $\sum_i x_i = 1$
c_i	molar heat capacity of the i -th mixture component

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