Dissemination of the kilogram from the consensus value of 2020

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“For a new definition of the kilogram in 2018”

Considering

- that most recent measurement results with relative standard uncertainty below $5 \times 10^{-8}$ do not pass the standard chi-squared test of consistency, but it is expected that the CODATA value and uncertainty for the Planck constant will be suitable for even the most demanding applications,

requests those National Metrology Institutes having a realization of the kilogram to avail themselves of the consensus value (as determined from the ongoing comparison) when disseminating the unit of mass according to the new definition, until the dispersion in values becomes compatible with the individual realization uncertainties, thus preserving the international equivalence of calibration certificates and in accordance with the principles and agreed protocols of the CIPM Mutual Recognition Arrangement,

Internationally coordinated dissemination of kg, based on consensus value (“international mean kilogram”)
Consensus Value and its uncertainty

- **Determination**
  - KCs of kg realizations takes place every 2 years (piloted by BIPM)
  - CV is calculated as the average of the last 3 KCRVs (to ensure temporal stability)
  - Initial value will be based on IPK, Pilot study result (2016), KCRV of first KC

  - CV is maintained by the BIPM using its Pt-Ir mass standards
  - The uncertainty in the Consensus Value is 20 μg
First KC of realization experiments CCM.M-K8.2019

- Pilot: BIPM
- 7 participants: 4 Kibble balances, 1 joule balance, 2 XRCD
- Mass of travelling standards of each participant: measured in vacuum
- KCRV calculated as the weighted mean of the participants' results with $u_R(x_R) = 7.5 \mu g$
Calculation of the first CCM Consensus Value for the kilogram

- Consensus Value based on an arithmetic mean of 3 sets of data
- All 3 data sets obtained from work organized by BIPM mass laboratory
- Data sets linked together by BIPM Pt-Ir mass standards

Mass of the IPK, based on the consensus value is 1 kg - 2 μg with $u = 20 \mu g$

Basis for worldwide coordinated mass dissemination for the coming years

2nd KC being started
Dissemination of the Consensus Value

- **no adjustment to the international mass scale needs to be made**, only the uncertainty needs to be increased
- **adjustments to the CMCs** of NMIs are necessary to take into account the increased uncertainty in the CV relative to the current uncertainty in the IPK
- draft adjustments calculated by an ad-hoc TG of the CCM WGM and circulated to the affected NMIs for approval, then updated in KCDB

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Note on the impact of the beginning of Phase 2 of the kilogram dissemination process on BIPM mass calibrations
## Dissemination phases

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<td>Traceability to the IPK</td>
<td>(m_{\text{IPK}} \equiv 1 , \text{kg}) (u_{m_{\text{IPK}}} \equiv 0)</td>
<td>(u_{\text{stab}}(t))</td>
<td>Measurement of (h)</td>
<td>Dissemination from national prototype traceable to IPK</td>
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<td>20 May 19 - date 1(^2)</td>
<td>Traceability to the Planck constant via the IPK, with additional uncertainty</td>
<td>(m_{\text{IPK}} = 1 , \text{kg}) (u_{m_{\text{IPK}}} = 10 , \mu\text{g}) (\approx \sqrt{u_{m_{\text{IPK}}}^2 + u_{\text{stab}}(t)^2})</td>
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<td>Consensus value (CV)</td>
<td>(\approx \sqrt{u_{\text{CV}}^2 + u_{\text{stab}}(t)^2})</td>
<td>contribute to CV (via KC), improve experiments and resolve discrepancies</td>
<td>Dissemination from consensus value with uncertainty (\approx \sqrt{u_{\text{CV}}^2 + u_{\text{stab,NMI}}^2(t)})</td>
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<td>Realization of the unit of mass, Participation in KCs to demonstrate equivalence</td>
<td>Dissemination from validated realization experiments with the uncertainty of the experiment. The terms of the CIPM MRA are applicable.</td>
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**Table 1:** The four phases necessary for the reliable transition from the IPK to independent NMI realizations of the unit of mass.
Next steps

- Repeat the CCM.M-K8 (scheduled to take place every 2 years): next 2021-2022
- Determination of the 2\textsuperscript{nd} Consensus Value
  - based on results of CCM Pilot Study, KCRVs of the 1\textsuperscript{st} KC and of the 2\textsuperscript{nd} KC
  - check of the temporal stability of the CV
- Dissemination of the 2\textsuperscript{nd} Consensus Value
- Iteration until the decision of the CCM to go into Phase 3