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The following terms are commonly used in radiology. **b value** The b factor or b value is associated with diffusion-weighted magnetic resonance imaging (diffusion-weighted MRI or DWI). It measures “strength (intensity and timing) of the diffusion gradient”; units are seconds per square millimeter. **maximum b value of 1221 s/mm²** Four gradient strengths were applied, resulting in b values of 0 and 1000 s/mm² applied sequentially in the X, Y, and Z gradient directions. **Doppler** See , Cardiology, Echocardiography. **echo train** A sequence of echoes. “Echo train is not a unit of measure” but is expressed as in these examples: echo train