Some other abbreviations used in this book

am	in the morning
AC	alternating current
approx.	approximately
cc	(document) copied to; cubic centimetres (engine capacity)
CCTV	closed-circuit TV
CD	compact disc
CD-ROM	compact disc, read-only-memory
CPR	cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (a procedure for someone who has stopped breathing and has no pulse)
CV	curriculum vitae, a summary of skills, qualifications and work experience
DC	direct current
DTV	digital TV
DVD	digital video disc
e.g.	for example
enc.	enclosed (or attached) document
etc.	and so on/etcetera
FAQ	frequently asked questions
Fig.	figure
FYI	for your information
GB	gigabytes
GPS	global positioning system
hp	horse power
IC	internal combustion
i.e.	that is; in other words
IP	internet protocol (as in IP address)
IT	information technology
L/kg	litres per kilogram
LNB	Low Noise Block, the feed horn on satellite dish
LPG	liquid petroleum gas
MB	megabytes
MOB	man overboard
n/a	not applicable
no.	number
pm	in the afternoon (or evening)
qty	quantity
ref.	reference/with reference to
TDC	top dead centre
USB	universal serial bus
VCR	video cassette recorder
v	versus; compared with (also **vs**)

2 Symbols

Mathematical and other symbols

+	plus; positive
–	minus; negative
x	times; multiplied by (also*)
÷	over; divided by (also/)
±	plus or minus
=	equals
≠	does not equal
>	(is) more than
<	(is) less than
≥	(is) more than or equal to
≤	(is) less than or equal to
.	point (decimal number)
n^2	n squared
n^3	n cubed
n^4	n to the power four
√n	the (square) root of n
#	hash; number
°	degree(s)

Mathematical operations

formula	description	instruction
x = n * 9/5 + 32	x equals n times 9 over 5, plus 32	to find x, multiply n by 9 over 5, and add 32
x = (n – 32)*5/9	x equals n minus 32, multiplied by 5 over 9	to find x, subtract 32 from n, and multiply by 5 over 9

Internet symbols

@	at
.com	dot com
A-B	A hyphen B (or A dash B)
A/B	A slash B (or A forward slash B)
A\B	A back slash B
A_B	A underscore B
A:B	A colon B