[10.3] Remove units from numbers

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For example,

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{part}(1.2_\text{m},1) & \text{returns} & 1.2 \\ \text{part}(1.2_\text{m},2) & \text{returns} & 1^*_\text{m} \end{array}$$

This also works for compound units, for example

$$part(1.2_m*_s/_mo1,2) \qquad \qquad returns \qquad \qquad \frac{1\cdot_m\cdot_s}{1\cdot_mol}$$