

Aug 20 #3 - Measures of radiation

| | RADIO | MM / SUB-MM | FAR-IR | MID-IR | NEAR-IR | OPTICAL |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|
| Frequency (Hz) | $\sim 300 - 5 \times 10^{10}$ | $\sim 8 \times 10^{10} - 8.6 \times 10^{11}$ | $8.6 \times 10^{11} - 1.2 \times 10^{13}$ | $1.2 \times 10^{13} - 3.8 \times 10^{13}$ | $3.8 \times 10^{13} - 4 \times 10^{14}$ | $4 \times 10^{14} - 8 \times 10^{14}$ |
| Wavelength (cm) | 1000 km - 0.6 | 0.375 - 3.5×10^{-2} | $3.5 \times 10^{-2} - 2.5 \times 10^{-3}$ | $2.5 \times 10^{-3} - 8 \times 10^{-4}$ | $8 \times 10^{-4} - 7.5 \times 10^{-5}$ | $7.5 \times 10^{-5} - 3.8 \times 10^{-5}$ |
| Energy (eV) | $10^{-12} - 2 \times 10^{-4}$ | $3 \times 10^{-4} - 4 \times 10^{-3}$ | $4 \times 10^{-3} - 5 \times 10^{-2}$ | $5 \times 10^{-2} - 2 \times 10^{-1}$ | $2 \times 10^{-1} - 2 \times 10^0$ | $2 \times 10^0 - 4 \times 10^0$ |

Typical measures

* Jansky (Jy)

$$1 \text{ Jy} = 10^{-26} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ Hz}^{-1} \quad (\text{mag})$$

$$= 10^{-23} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ Hz}^{-1} \quad Q \text{ mag} \equiv 3631 \text{ Jy}$$

* Apparent magnitude

* Kelvin (K) -

surface brightness temperature

Given F_{J} in Jy, the magnitude is

$$m = -2.5 \log_{10} \left(\frac{F_{\text{J}}}{3631} \right)$$

Given a flux density F in $\text{erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ Hz}^{-1}$ (for eg.,)

$$T =$$

$$\frac{2 \nu^2 k_B \Omega}{F c^2}$$

← solid angle of source.

| UV | X-RAYS | GAMMA - |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| NEAR, MID, FAK, EXTREME) | SOFT, HARD) | RAYS |
| 8×10^{14} - | 3×10^{16} - | 3×10^{19} - |
| 3×10^{16} | 3×10^{19} | ? |
| 3.8×10^{-5} - | 10^{-8} - | 10^{-11} - |
| 10^{-8} | 10^{-11} | ? |
| 4 - | 100 - | 10^5 - |
| 100 | 105 | ? |

* High-energy detectors often work in "counts / s", which can be translated to a flux: $\text{erg s}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2}$.

* Need knowledge of the instrument response.

* 1 "Crab" = (2-10 keV)

$$2.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2}$$

$$\approx 1 \text{ mJy!}$$

(There is a lot of astrophysics in this statement!).

Key concepts:

(RADIO / MM)

(OPTICAL / IR)

* Flux density: J_ν , $\text{erg s}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{Hz}^{-1}$, $\text{erg s}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{\AA}^{-1}$

* Flux: $\text{erg s}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2}$ (HIGH-ENERGY)

* Surface brightness: e.g., $J_\nu \text{ arcsec}^{-2}$, mag arcsec^{-2}

* Brightness temperature: K from R-J tail.

* Magnitudes: $m - M = 5 \log_{10} \left(\frac{d}{10 \text{ pc}} \right)$

\swarrow Apparent \downarrow Absolute \downarrow r^{-2} law \searrow Ref. distance of 10 pc.