



## Astronomical and Physical Constants

Astronomical unit (au)	$1.4960 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$
Light year (ly)	$9.4605 \times 10^{15} \text{ m} = 63\,240 \text{ au}$
Parsec (pc)	$3.0860 \times 10^{16} \text{ m} = 206\,265 \text{ au}$
Jansky (Jy)	$10^{-26} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ Hz}^{-1}$
1 Sidereal year	365.2564 solar days
1 Tropical year	365.2422 solar days
1 Calendar year	365.2425 solar days
1 Sidereal day	$23^{\text{h}} 56^{\text{m}} 04^{\text{s}}.091$
1 Solar day	$24^{\text{h}} 03^{\text{m}} 56^{\text{s}}.555$ units of sidereal time
Mass of Earth	$5.9736 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$
Mean radius of Earth	$6.371 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$
Equatorial radius of Earth	$6.378 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$
Mean velocity of Earth on its orbit	$29.783 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
Mass of Moon	$7.3490 \times 10^{22} \text{ kg}$
Radius of Moon	$1.737 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$
Mean Earth – Moon distance	$3.844 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$
Mass of Sun	$1.98892 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$
Radius of Sun	$6.96 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$
Effective temperature of the Sun	5780 K
Luminosity of the Sun	$3.96 \times 10^{26} \text{ J s}^{-1}$
Solar constant	$1366 \text{ W m}^{-2}$
Brightness of the Sun in V-band	–26.8 mag.
Absolute brightness of the Sun in V-band	4.75 mag.
Absolute bolometric brightness of Sun	4.72 mag.
Angular diameter of the Sun	30'
Speed of light in vacuum (c)	$2.9979 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
Gravitational constant (G)	$6.6738 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N m}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$
Boltzmann constant (k)	$1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ m kg s}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-1}$
Stefan–Boltzmann constant ( $\sigma$ )	$5.6704 \times 10^{-8} \text{ kg s}^{-3} \text{ K}^{-4}$
Planck constant (h)	$6.6261 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$
Wien's constant (b)	$2.8978 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m K}$
Hubble constant ( $H_0$ )	$70 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$
electron charge (e)	$1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Current inclination of the ecliptic ( $\epsilon$ )	$23^\circ 26.3'$
Coordinates of the northern ecliptic pole for epoch 2000.0 ( $\alpha_E, \delta_E$ )	$18^{\text{h}} 00^{\text{m}} 00^{\text{s}}, +66^\circ 33.6'$
Coordinates of the northern galactic pole for epoch 2000.0 ( $\alpha_G, \delta_G$ )	$12^{\text{h}} 51^{\text{m}}, +27^\circ 08'$

You can try to solve an equation  $x = f(x)$  using iteration:  $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$ .

Basic equations of spherical trigonometry

$$\begin{aligned}\sin a \sin B &= \sin b \sin A \\ \sin a \cos B &= \cos b \sin c - \sin b \cos c \cos A, \\ \cos a &= \cos b \cos c + \sin b \sin c \cos A.\end{aligned}$$

