Constants and Units

(to two significant digits)

| Gravitational constant | G | = | $6.7 \times 10^{-8} \text{ erg cm g}^{-2}$ |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|
| Speed of light | c | = | $3.0 \times 10^{10} \ \mathrm{cm \ s^{-1}}$ |
| Planck's constant | h | = | $6.6 \times 10^{-27} \text{ erg s}$ |
| | \hbar | = | $h/2\pi = 1.1 \times 10^{-27} \text{ erg s}$ |
| Boltzmann's constant | k | = | |
| | | = | $8.6 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{eV K^{-1}}$ |
| Stefan-Boltzmann constant | σ | = | $5.7 \times 10^{-5} \ \mathrm{erg} \ \mathrm{cm}^{-2} \ \mathrm{s}^{-1} \ \mathrm{K}^{-4}$ |
| Radiation constant | a | = | $4\sigma/c = 7.6 \times 10^{-15} \text{ erg cm}^{-3} \text{K}^{-4}$ |
| Proton mass | m_p | = | $1.7 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$ |
| Electron mass | m_e | = | $9.1 \times 10^{-28} \text{ g}$ |
| Electron charge | e | = | $4.8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ esu}$ |
| Electron volt | 1 eV | = | $1.6 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg}$ |
| Thomson cross section | σ_T | = | $6.7 \times 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^2$ |
| Wien's Law | $\lambda_{ m max}$ | = | $2900 \text{ Å } 10^4 \text{ K/}T$ |
| | $h\nu_{ m max}$ | = | - · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| Ångstrom | 1 Å | = | 10^{-8} cm |
| Solar mass | M_{\odot} | = | $2.0 \times 10^{33} \text{ g}$ |
| Solar luminosity | L_{\odot} | = | $3.8 \times 10^{33} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$ |
| Solar radius | r_{\odot} | = | $7.0 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}$ |
| Solar distance | d_{\odot} | = | $1 \text{ AU} = 1.5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}$ |
| Jupiter mass | M_J | = | $1.9 \times 10^{30} \text{ g}$ |
| Jupiter radius | r_J | | $7.1 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}$ |
| Jupiter distance | d_J | = | $5 \text{ AU} = 7.5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}$ |
| Earth mass | M_{\oplus} | = | $6.0 \times 10^{27} \text{ g}$ |
| Earth radius | r_{\oplus} | = | $6.4 \times 10^{8} \text{ cm}$ |
| Moon mass | $\widetilde{M}_{\mathrm{moon}}$ | = | $7.4 \times 10^{25} \text{ g}$ |
| Moon radius | r_{moon} | | $1.7 \times 10^{8} \text{ cm}$ |
| Moon distance | d_{moon} | = | $3.8 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}$ |
| Astronomical unit | 1 AU | = | $1.5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}$ |
| Parsec | 1 pc | = | $3.1 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm} = 3.3 \text{ l.y.}$ |
| Year | 1 yr | = | $3.15 \times 10^7 \text{ s}$ |
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