

9.2 Solar system data

Solar data

equatorial radius	R_{\odot}	$= 6.960 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$	$= 109.1 R_{\oplus}$
mass	M_{\odot}	$= 1.9891 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$	$= 3.32946 \times 10^5 M_{\oplus}$
polar moment of inertia	I_{\odot}	$= 5.7 \times 10^{46} \text{ kg m}^2$	$= 7.09 \times 10^8 I_{\oplus}$
bolometric luminosity	L_{\odot}	$= 3.826 \times 10^{26} \text{ W}$	
effective surface temperature	T_{\odot}	$= 5770 \text{ K}$	
solar constant ^a		$1.368 \times 10^3 \text{ W m}^{-2}$	
absolute magnitude	M_V	$= +4.83;$	$M_{\text{bol}} = +4.75$
apparent magnitude	m_V	$= -26.74;$	$m_{\text{bol}} = -26.82$

^aBolometric flux at a distance of 1 astronomical unit (AU).

Earth data

equatorial radius	R_{\oplus}	$= 6.37814 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$	$= 9.166 \times 10^{-3} R_{\odot}$
flattening ^a	f	$= 0.00335364$	$= 1/298.183$
mass	M_{\oplus}	$= 5.9742 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$	$= 3.0035 \times 10^{-6} M_{\odot}$
polar moment of inertia	I_{\oplus}	$= 8.037 \times 10^{37} \text{ kg m}^2$	$= 1.41 \times 10^{-9} I_{\odot}$
orbital semi-major axis ^b	1AU	$= 1.495979 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$	$= 214.9 R_{\oplus}$
mean orbital velocity		$2.979 \times 10^4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	
equatorial surface gravity	g_e	$= 9.780327 \text{ ms}^{-2}$	(includes rotation)
polar surface gravity	g_p	$= 9.832186 \text{ ms}^{-2}$	
rotational angular velocity	ω_e	$= 7.292115 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$	

^a f equals $(R_{\oplus} - R_{\text{polar}})/R_{\oplus}$. The mean radius of the Earth is $6.3710 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$.

^bAbout the Sun.

Moon data

equatorial radius	R_m	$= 1.7374 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$	$= 0.27240 R_{\oplus}$
mass	M_m	$= 7.3483 \times 10^{22} \text{ kg}$	$= 1.230 \times 10^{-2} M_{\oplus}$
mean orbital radius ^a	a_m	$= 3.84400 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$	$= 60.27 R_{\oplus}$
mean orbital velocity		$1.03 \times 10^3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	
orbital period (sidereal)		27.32166 d	
equatorial surface gravity		1.62 ms^{-2}	$= 0.166 g_e$

^aAbout the Earth.

Planetary data^a

	M/M_{\oplus}	R/R_{\oplus}	$T(\text{d})$	$P(\text{yr})$	$a(\text{AU})$	M	mass
Mercury	0.055274	0.38251	58.646	0.24085	0.38710	R_{\oplus}	equatorial radius
Venus ^b	0.81500	0.94883	243.018	0.615228	0.72335	T	rotational period
Earth	1	1	0.99727	1.00004	1.00000	P	orbital period
Mars	0.10745	0.53260	1.02596	1.88093	1.52371	a	mean distance
Jupiter	317.85	11.209	0.41354	11.8613	5.20253	M_{\oplus}	$5.9742 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$
Saturn	95.159	9.4491	0.44401	29.6282	9.57560	R_{\oplus}	$6.37814 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$
Uranus ^b	14.500	4.0073	0.71833	84.7466	19.2934	1d	86400s
Neptune	17.204	3.8826	0.67125	166.344	30.2459	1yr	$3.15569 \times 10^7 \text{ s}$
Pluto ^b	0.00251	0.18736	6.3872	248.348	39.5090	1AU	$1.495979 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$

^aUsing the osculating orbital elements for 1998. Note that P is the instantaneous orbital period, calculated from the planet's daily motion. The radii of gas giants are taken at 1 atmosphere pressure.

^bRetrograde rotation.