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- 3. Old persons' star.** There is ancient legend in Korea that says, if you managed to see the “Old persons' star” thrice, you are lucky person and will live a long life. The “Old persons' star”, now known as Canopus, was seen brighter and better in past times, but even now sometimes one can see this star in Korea. Estimate approximately what visible stellar magnitude Canopus may have when observing it from the southern coast of Jeju island (Korea) in the most favorable conditions. The territory of the island is located at latitudes between  $33^{\circ}12' N$  and  $33^{\circ}34' N$  and longitudes between  $126^{\circ}09' E$  and  $126^{\circ}57' E$ . Take from the tables and recollect for yourself the necessary additional information.
- 4. Stars on Mars.** As you know, last year the Polar Bear (whom you have already met in the texts of many International Astronomy Olympiads) arrived to Mars for astronomical observations. Nowadays his friend Penguin also made a fascinating journey to Mars. At the same instant of time, the Bear and the Penguin observe stars in zenith and see Canopus and Sirius respectively. Estimate roughly, what is the distance (measured on the Martian surface) between the animals? At what height above the horizon does the Bear observe Sirius? The solution has to include a picture with an image of the Bear and the Penguin on Mars. Necessary sizes or angular sizes should be in the picture. Recollect for yourself the necessary information about the Polar Bear and Penguin.
- 5. Venus and Earth.** At what maximum distance from the Venus ecliptic the Earth can be visible in the sky from Venus (actually, from a point outside the Venus atmosphere)? Orbits of the planets may be considered circular.
- 6. Parallaxes.** In our part of the Galaxy the mean distance between the stars is about 6 light years. Assume that an interferometer can measure parallaxes with an error of  $\pm 0.001$  arc second. How many stars of our Galaxy could have their parallax determined by this interferometer?



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Estimate the stellar magnitude of the Earth in this situation.
- 6. Remote galaxy.** Astronomers have discovered a distant galaxy that in the Earth's sky, at the first glance looks like  $\epsilon$  Eridani, the same in colour, but 1000 times less in intensity. It appears, however, that this galaxy is composed only of stars similar to the Sun in physical characteristics. Find the number of stars in the galaxy.



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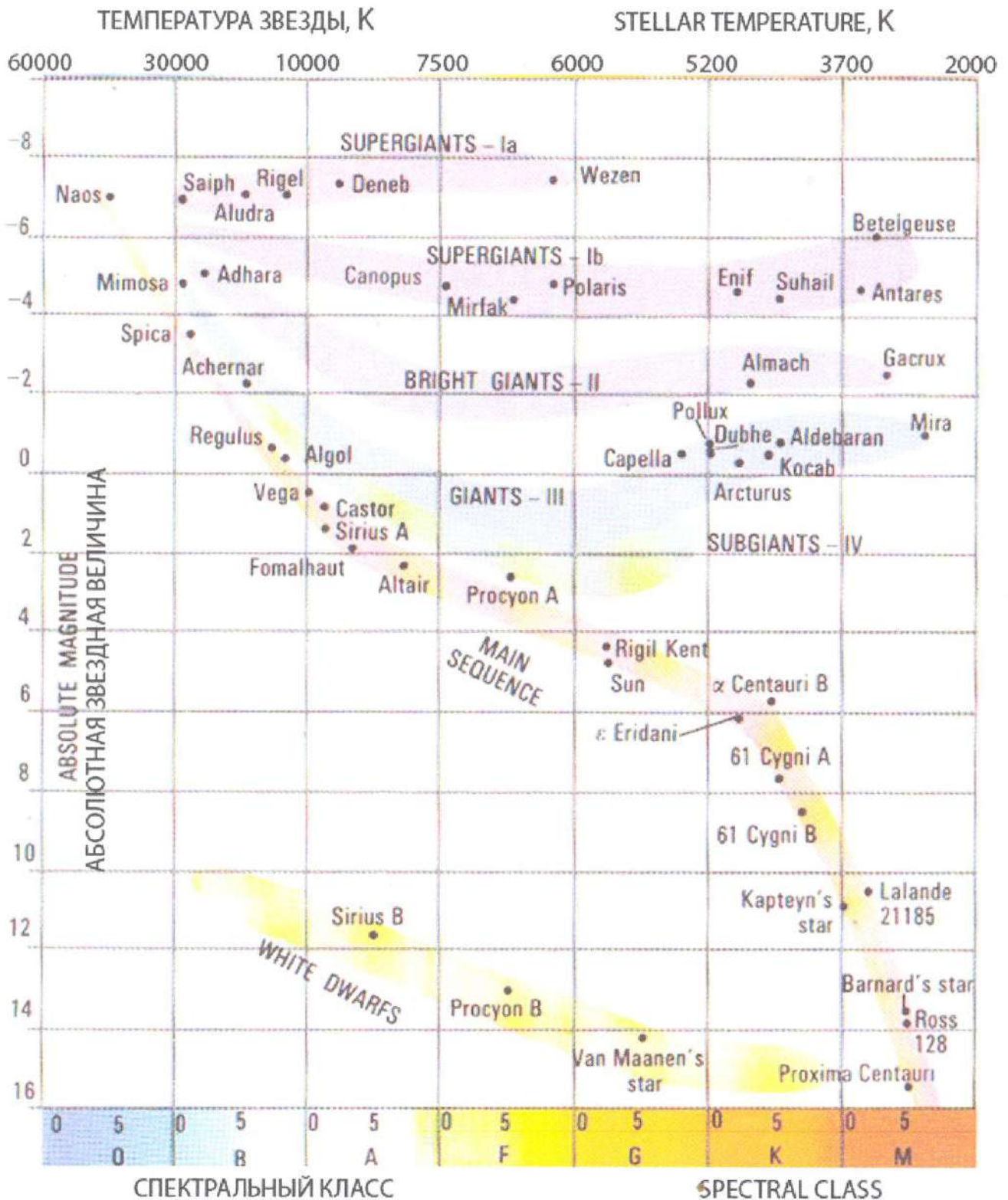
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Диаграмма Герцшпрунга-Рассела

Hertzsprung-Russell diagram





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**Элементы орбит.**

**Физические характеристики некоторых планет, Луны, Солнца и Эриды**

**Parameters of orbits.**

**Physical characteristics of some planets, Moon, Sun and Eris**

Небесное тело, планета	Среднее расстояние от центрального тела		Сидерический (или аналогичный) период обращения		Наклон орбиты, $i$	Эксцентриситет, $e$	Экваториальн. диаметр, км	Масса, $10^{24}$ кг	Средняя плотность, г/см <sup>3</sup>	Ускор. своб. пад. у пов., м/с <sup>2</sup>	Наклон оси	Макс. блеск, вид. с Земли (**)	Альбедо
	в астр. ед.	в млн. км	в тропич. годах	в средних сутках									
Body, planet	Average distance to central body		Sidereal period (or analogous)		Orbital inclination, $i$	Eccentricity, $e$	Equat. diameter, km	Mass, $10^{24}$ kg	Av. density, g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Grav. accelr. at surf., m/s <sup>2</sup>	Axial tilt	Max. magn. From Earth (**)	Albedo
	in astr. units	in $10^6$ km	in tropical years	in days									
Солнце Sun	$1,6 \cdot 10^9$	$2,5 \cdot 10^{11}$	$2,2 \cdot 10^8$	$8 \cdot 10^{10}$			1392000	1989000	1,409			$-26,74^m$	
Меркурий Mercury	0,387	57,9	0,241	87,969	$7,00^\circ$	0,206	4 879	0,3302	5,43	3,70	$0,01^\circ$		0,06
Венера Venus	0,723	108,2	0,615	224,7007	$3,40$	0,007	12 104	4,8690	5,24	8,87	177,36		0,78
Земля Earth	1,000	149,6	1,000	365,2564	$0,00$	0,017	12 756	5,9742	5,515	9,81	23,44		0,36
Луна Moon	0,00257	0,38440	0,0748	27,3217	$5,15$	0,055	3 475	0,0735	3,34	1,62	6,7	$-12,7^m$	0,07
Марс Mars	1,524	227,9	1,880	686,98	$1,85$	0,093	6 794	0,6419	3,94	3,71	25,19	$-2,0^m$	0,15
Юпитер Jupiter	5,204	778,6	11,862	4 332,59	$1,30$	0,048	142 984	1899,8	1,33	24,86	3,13	$-2,7^m$	0,66
Сатурн Saturn	9,584	1433,7	29,458	10 759,20	$2,48$	0,054	120 536	568,50	0,70	10,41	26,73	$0,7^m$	0,68
Эрида Eris	68,05			205 029	$43,82$	0,435	2 326	0,0167	2,52	0,7			0,96

\*\*\*) Для Луны – в среднем противостоянии.

\*\*\*) For Moon – in mean opposition.



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**Некоторые константы и формулы**

**Some constants and formulae**

Скорость света в вакууме, $c$ (м/с)	299 792 458	Speed of light in vacuum, $c$ (m/s)
Гравитационная постоянная, $G$ ( $\text{Н}\cdot\text{м}^2/\text{кг}^2$ )	$6.674\cdot 10^{-11}$	Constant of gravitation, $G$ ( $\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2$ )
Солнечная постоянная, $A$ ( $\text{Вт}/\text{м}^2$ )	1367	Solar constant, $A$ ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ )
Параметр Хаббла, среднее значение $H_0$ (км/с/Мпк) диапазон значений	71 50-100	mean value Hubble parameter, diapason of values $H_0$ (km/s/Mpc)
Постоянная Планка, $h$ (Дж·с)	$6.626\cdot 10^{-34}$	Plank constant, $h$ (J·s)
Заряд электрона, $e$ (Кл)	$1.602\cdot 10^{-19}$	Charge of electron, $e$ (C)
Масса электрона, $m_e$ (кг)	$9.109\cdot 10^{-31}$	Mass of electron, $m_e$ (kg)
Соотношение масс протона и электрона	1836.15	Proton-to-electron ratio
Постоянная Фарадея, $F$ (Кл/моль)	96 485	Faraday constant, $F$ (C/mol)
Магнитная постоянная, $\mu_0$ (Гн/м)	$1.257\cdot 10^{-6}$	Magnetic constant, $\mu_0$ (H/m)
Универсальная газовая постоянная, $R$ (Дж/моль/К)	8.314	Universal gas constant, $R$ (J/mol/K)
Постоянная Больцмана, $k$ (Дж/К)	$1.381\cdot 10^{-23}$	Boltzmann constant, $k$ (J/K)
Постоянная Стефана-Больцмана, $\sigma$ ( $\text{Вт}/\text{м}^2/\text{К}^4$ )	$5.670\cdot 10^{-8}$	Stefan-Boltzmann constant, $\sigma$ ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2/\text{K}^4$ )
Константа смещения Вина, $b$ (м·К)	0.002897	Wien's displacement constant, $b$ (m·K)
Лабораторная длина волны $\text{H}\alpha$ (Å)	6562.81	Laboratory wavelength of $\text{H}\alpha$ (Å)
Длина тропического года, $T$ (сут)	365.242199	Tropical year length, $T$ (days)
Стандартная атмосфера (Па)	101 325	Standard atmosphere (Pa)
Ослабление видимого света земной атмосферой в зените (минимально)	19%, $0.23^m$	Visible light extinction by the terrestrial atmosphere in zenith (minimum)
Показатель преломления воды при 20°C, $n$	1.334	Refractive index of water for 20°C, $n$
Момент инерции шара	$I = \frac{2}{5} MR^2$	Moment of inertia of a solid ball
Площадь сферы	$S = 4\pi R^2$	Area of sphere
$\pi$	3.14159265	$\pi$
$e$	2.71828183	$e$
Золотое сечение, $\varphi$	1.61803399	Golden ratio, $\varphi$



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Данные о некоторых звёздах

Data of some stars

			RA	DEC	$\rho$	$m$	SC	mass mass
Солнце	Sun	$\odot$	0 <sup>h</sup> – 360 <sup>h</sup>	-23°26' +23°26'	8".794	-26 <sup>m</sup> .74	G2	1 $M_{\odot}$
Альдебаран	Aldebaran	$\alpha$ Tau	04 <sup>h</sup> 35 <sup>m</sup> 55 <sup>s</sup>	16° 30' 33"	0".048	0 <sup>m</sup> .85 <sup>v</sup>	K5	2.5 $M_{\odot}$
Альтаир	Altair	$\alpha$ Aql	19 <sup>h</sup> 50 <sup>m</sup> 47 <sup>s</sup>	08° 52' 06"	0".195	0 <sup>m</sup> .77	A7	1.7 $M_{\odot}$
Антарес	Antares	$\alpha$ Sco	16 <sup>h</sup> 29 <sup>m</sup> 24 <sup>s</sup>	-26° 25' 55"	0".006	0 <sup>m</sup> .96	M1+B4	22.4 $M_{\odot}$
Арктур	Arcturus	$\alpha$ Boo	14 <sup>h</sup> 15 <sup>m</sup> 40 <sup>s</sup>	19° 10' 57"	0".089	-0 <sup>m</sup> .04 <sup>v</sup>	K1	1.1 $M_{\odot}$
Ахернар	Achernar	$\alpha$ Eri	01 <sup>h</sup> 37 <sup>m</sup> 43 <sup>s</sup>	-57° 14' 12"	0".026	0 <sup>m</sup> .46	B3	
зв.Барнарда	Barnard's star	Oph	17 <sup>h</sup> 57 <sup>m</sup> 48 <sup>s</sup>	04° 41' 36"	0".545	9 <sup>m</sup> .54	M4	
Бетельгейзе	Betelgeuse	$\alpha$ Ori	05 <sup>h</sup> 55 <sup>m</sup> 10 <sup>s</sup>	07° 24' 25"	0".005	0 <sup>m</sup> .5 <sup>v</sup>	M1	
Вега	Vega	$\alpha$ Lyr	18 <sup>h</sup> 36 <sup>m</sup> 56 <sup>s</sup>	38° 47' 01"	0".129	0 <sup>m</sup> .03	A0	
Денеб	Deneb	$\alpha$ Cyg	20 <sup>h</sup> 41 <sup>m</sup> 26 <sup>s</sup>	45° 16' 49"	0".002	1 <sup>m</sup> .25	A2	
Канопус	Canopus	$\alpha$ Car	06 <sup>h</sup> 23 <sup>m</sup> 57 <sup>s</sup>	-52° 41' 45"	0".010	-0 <sup>m</sup> .72	F0	
Капелла	Capella	$\alpha$ Aur	05 <sup>h</sup> 16 <sup>m</sup> 41 <sup>s</sup>	45° 59' 53"	0".073	0 <sup>m</sup> .08	G5+G0	
Полярная	Polaris	$\alpha$ UMi	02 <sup>h</sup> 31 <sup>m</sup> 49 <sup>s</sup>	89° 15' 51"	0".0076	1 <sup>m</sup> .97 <sup>v</sup>	F7	
Процион	Procyon	$\alpha$ CMi	07 <sup>h</sup> 39 <sup>m</sup> 18 <sup>s</sup>	05° 13' 30"	0".288	0 <sup>m</sup> .38	F5	
Ригель	Rigel	$\beta$ Ori	05 <sup>h</sup> 14 <sup>m</sup> 32 <sup>s</sup>	-08° 12' 06"	0".013	0 <sup>m</sup> .12	B8	
Сириус	Sirius	$\alpha$ CMa	06 <sup>h</sup> 45 <sup>m</sup> 09 <sup>s</sup>	-16° 42' 58"	0".375	-1 <sup>m</sup> .46	A1	
Спика	Spica	$\alpha$ Vir	13 <sup>h</sup> 25 <sup>m</sup> 12 <sup>s</sup>	-11° 09' 41"	0".023	0 <sup>m</sup> .98	B1	
Альфа Центавра	Alpha Centauri	$\alpha$ Cen	14 <sup>h</sup> 39 <sup>m</sup> 36 <sup>s</sup>	-60° 50' 07"	0".751	-0 <sup>m</sup> .01 1 <sup>m</sup> .33	G2 K1	2.0 $M_{\odot}$
Бета Центавра	Beta Centauri	$\beta$ Cen	14 <sup>h</sup> 03 <sup>m</sup> 49 <sup>s</sup>	-60° 22' 23"	0".009	0 <sup>m</sup> .61	B1	21 $M_{\odot}$
Эпсилон Эридана	Epsilon Eridani	$\varepsilon$ Eri	03 <sup>h</sup> 32 <sup>m</sup> 56 <sup>s</sup>	-09° 27' 30"	0".311	3 <sup>m</sup> .74	K2	0.82 $M_{\odot}$