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# Chapter 7

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## Infrared Astronomy

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### 7.1 USEFUL EQUATIONS; UNITS

The Planck function in wavelength units ( $\lambda_{\mu\text{m}}$  in  $\mu\text{m}$ ;  $T$  in K) is

$$B_\lambda = 2hc^2\lambda^{-5}/(e^{hc/k\lambda T} - 1)$$
$$= 1.1910 \times 10^8 \lambda_{\mu\text{m}}^{-5}/(e^{14387.7/\lambda_{\mu\text{m}}T} - 1) \text{ W m}^{-2} \mu\text{m}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}.$$

The Planck function in frequency units ( $\nu$  in Hz) is

$$B_\nu = 2h\nu^3c^{-2}/(e^{h\nu/kT} - 1)$$
$$= 1.4745 \times 10^{-50} \nu^3/(e^{4.79922 \times 10^{-11} \nu/T} - 1) \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ Hz}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}.$$

The Rayleigh–Jeans approximation (for  $h\nu \ll kT$ ) is

$$\begin{aligned}B_\lambda &= 2ckT\lambda^{-4} = 8.2782 \times 10^3 T/\lambda_{\mu\text{m}}^4 \text{ W m}^{-2} \mu\text{m}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}, \\B_\nu &= 2c^{-2}kT\nu^2 = 3.0724 \times 10^{-40} T\nu^2 \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ Hz}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}.\end{aligned}$$

The Stefan–Boltzmann law is

$$B = \int B_\lambda d\lambda = (\sigma/\pi)T^4 = 1.8050 \times 10^{-8} T^4 \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1}.$$

The wavelength of maximum  $B_\lambda$  (Wien law) is

$$\lambda_{\max} = 2898/T, \quad \lambda_{\max} \text{ in } \mu\text{m}.$$

The frequency of maximum  $B_\nu$  is

$$\nu_{\max} = 5.878 \times 10^{10} T, \quad \nu_{\max} \text{ in Hz}.$$

The conversion equations ( $\Omega$  in sr) are  $F_\lambda = \Omega B_\lambda$ ,  $F_\nu = \Omega B_\nu$ ,  $F_\lambda = 3.0 \times 10^{14} F_\nu / \lambda_{\mu\text{m}}^2$ . Other units are 1 Jansky (Jy) =  $10^{-26} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ Hz}^{-1}$ . Units details are given in Table 7.1.

**Table 7.1. Units [1-4].**

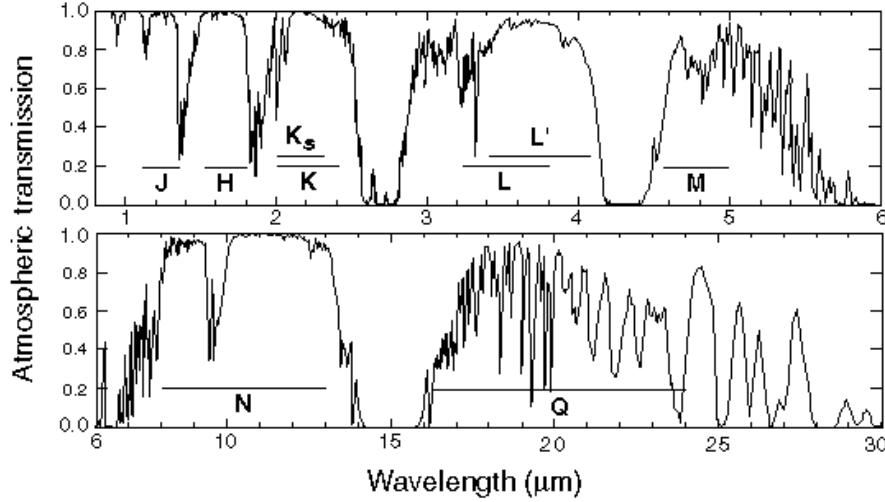
Units	Radiometric name	Astronomical name
$\text{W}$	Flux	Luminosity
$\text{W m}^{-2}$	Irradiance; radian exitance	Flux
$\text{W sr}^{-1}$	Intensity	...
$\text{W m}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1}$	Radiance	Intensity
$\text{W m}^{-2} \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ ; $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{ Hz}^{-1}$	Spectral irradiance	Flux density
$\text{W m}^{-2} \mu\text{m}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}$ ; $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{ Hz}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}$	Spectral radiance	Surface brightness; specific intensity

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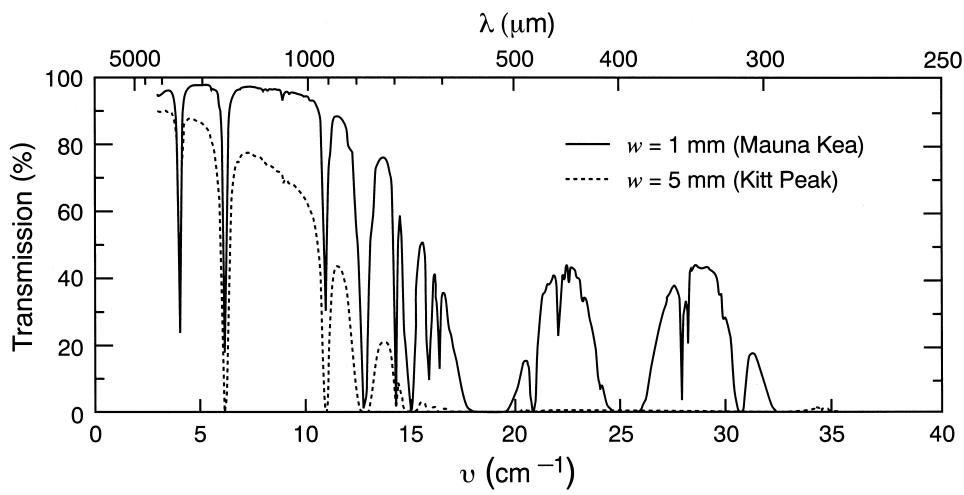
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## 7.2 ATMOSPHERIC TRANSMISSION

The major atmospheric absorbers and central wavelengths of absorption bands are H<sub>2</sub>O (0.94, 1.13, 1.37, 1.87, 2.7, 3.2, 6.3,  $\lambda > 16 \mu\text{m}$ ); CO<sub>2</sub> (2.0, 4.3, 15  $\mu\text{m}$ ); N<sub>2</sub>O (4.5, 17  $\mu\text{m}$ ); CH<sub>4</sub> (3.3, 7.7  $\mu\text{m}$ ); O<sub>3</sub> (9.6  $\mu\text{m}$ ). See Figures 7.1 and 7.2.



**Figure 7.1.** Atmospheric transmission from  $0.9$  to  $30\ \mu\text{m}$  under conditions appropriate for Mauna Kea, Hawaii. Altitude =  $4.2\ \text{km}$ , zenith angle =  $30^\circ$  (air mass =  $1.15$ ), precipitable water vapor overhead =  $1\ \text{mm}$ .  $\lambda/\Delta\lambda = 300$  for  $1$ – $6\ \mu\text{m}$  and  $150$  for  $6$ – $30\ \mu\text{m}$ . Spectra are calculated by Lord [1]. The infrared filter band passes are shown as horizontal lines; see Table 7.5 for definitions. Note that the filter transmission is modified by the atmospheric absorption. For the atmospheric transmission at Kitt Peak, see [2]. For ESO, see [3]. See also [4].



**Figure 7.2.** Atmospheric transmission from  $0.25$  to  $3\ \text{mm}$ , adapted from [5]. The precipitable water vapor is denoted by  $w$ . See also [6–9]. For the South Pole, see [10].

For atmospheric transmission at airborne and balloon altitudes see [6, 11]. For water-vapor measurements at observatory sites see [12–14]. For atmospheric extinction see [2, 15–17].

## 7.3 BACKGROUND EMISSION

### 7.3.1 Background Emission Sources

Table 7.2 gives the background emission from a ground-based telescope. The main background emission sources are shown in Figure 7.3. Where specified they are blackbody functions reduced by a multiplying factor  $\epsilon$ . In most cases, only the minimum background levels are plotted.

- OH OH airglow. Average OH emission of 15.6 and 13.8 mag arcsec $^{-2}$  at J and H, respectively [18–21].
- GBT Ground-based telescope thermal emission, optimized for the thermal infrared and approximated as a 273-K blackbody with  $\epsilon = 0.02$ . Emission from the Earth's atmosphere at 1.5–25  $\mu\text{m}$  is shown [22].
- ZSL Zodiacal scattered light at the ecliptic pole, approximated as a 5800-K blackbody with  $\epsilon = 3 \times 10^{-14}$  (based on data from [23]).
- ZE Zodiacal emission from interplanetary dust at the ecliptic pole, approximated as a 275-K blackbody with  $\epsilon = 7.1 \times 10^{-8}$ . Based on observations from the Infrared Astronomical Satellite (IRAS) [24].
- GBE Galactic background emission from interstellar dust in the plane of the galaxy. In the plane of the Galaxy away from the Galactic Center, it can be approximated by a 17-K blackbody and  $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$  [25, 26].
- SEP South ecliptic pole emission as measured by the Cosmic Background Explorer (COBE) spacecraft [27].
- CST Cryogenic space telescope, cooled to 10 K with  $\epsilon = 0.05$ .
- CBR Cosmic background radiation, 2.73-K blackbody with  $\epsilon = 1.0$  [28].

**Table 7.2.** Combined sky, telescope, and instrument background emission at the 3.0-m IRTF<sup>a</sup> [1].

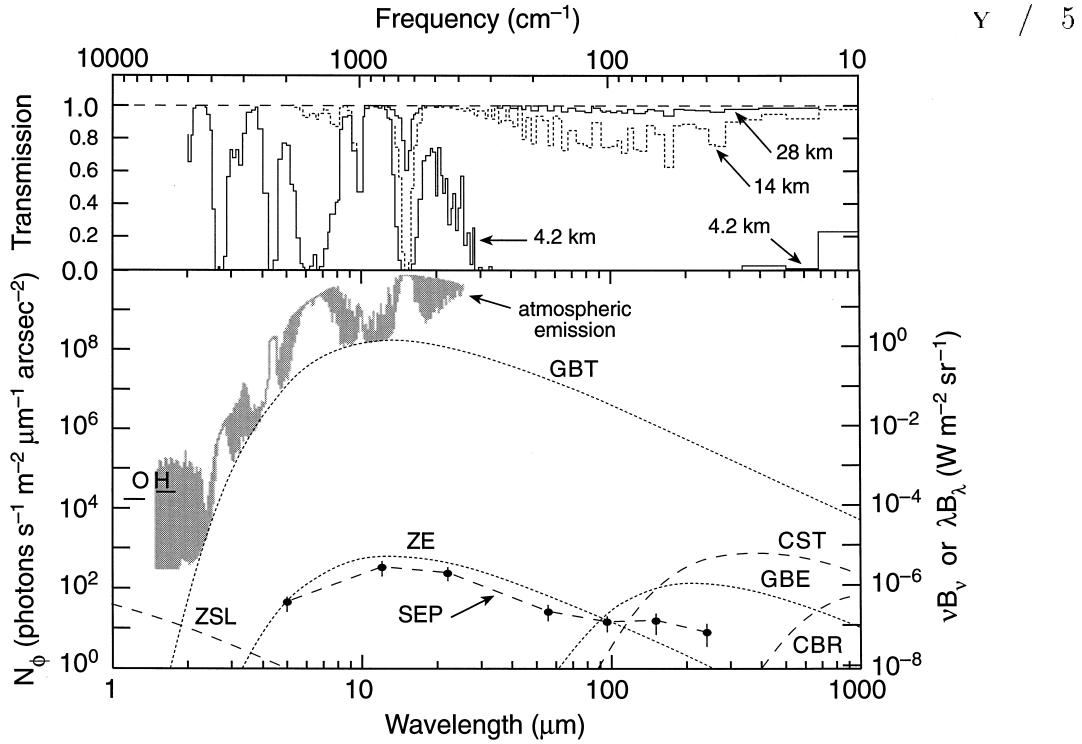
Band	$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	$\Delta\lambda$	Surface brightness (mag arcsec $^{-2}$ )	Band	$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	$\Delta\lambda$	Surface brightness (mag arcsec $^{-2}$ )
J	1.26	0.31	15.9	L	3.50	0.61	4.9
H	1.62	0.28	13.4	L'	3.78	0.59	4.5
$K_s$	2.15	0.35	14.1	$M'$	4.78	0.22	0.3
K	2.21	0.39	13.7	M	4.85	0.62	-0.7

#### Note

<sup>a</sup>Telescope emissivity at the time of the observations was about 7%.

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**Figure 7.3.** Top: Transmission of the Earth's atmosphere at Mauna Kea (4.2 km), airborne (14 km), and balloon altitudes (28 km), adapted from [6]. Bottom: Background emission sources. The surface brightness is calculated from  $N_\phi = \epsilon \lambda_{\mu\text{m}} B_\lambda / (hc) = 1.41 \times 10^{16} \epsilon \lambda_{\mu\text{m}}^{-4} / (e^{14387.7/\lambda_{\mu\text{m}} T} - 1)$  ( $\lambda_{\mu\text{m}}$  in  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  $T$  in K). The intensity is derived from  $\lambda_{\mu\text{m}} B_\lambda = 8.45 \times 10^{-9} N_\phi$ .

### 7.3.2 OH Emission Spectrum

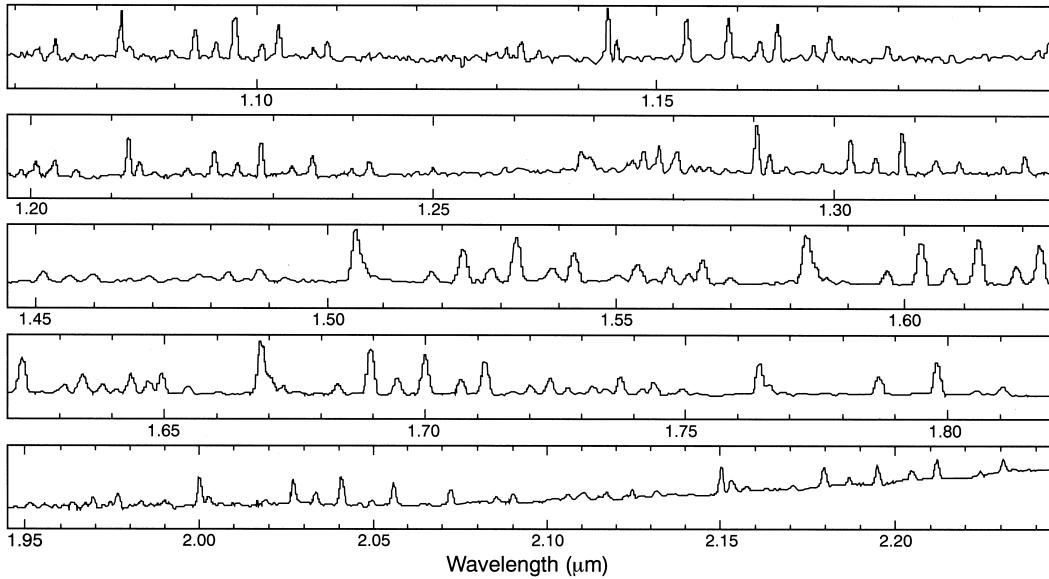
The OH emission is often given in Rayleigh units. To convert to other units, use the following equations, with  $\lambda_{\mu\text{m}}$  in  $\mu\text{m}$  [29]:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \text{ Rayleigh unit} &= 10^{10} / 4\pi \text{ photons s}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1} \\ &= 1.5808 \times 10^{-10} / \lambda_{\mu\text{m}} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1}, \\ 1 \text{ Rayleigh unit}/\text{\AA} &= 1.5808 \times 10^{-6} / \lambda_{\mu\text{m}} \text{ W m}^{-2} \mu\text{m}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1} \\ &= 3.7184 \times 10^{-17} / \lambda_{\mu\text{m}} \text{ W m}^{-2} \mu\text{m}^{-1} \text{ arcsec}^{-2}. \end{aligned}$$

The OH airglow spectrum is given in Figure 7.4.

## 7.4 DETECTORS AND SIGNAL-TO-NOISE RATIOS

Tables 7.3 and 7.4 list the basic detector types for infrared observations.



**Figure 7.4.** Observed OH airglow spectrum adapted from [30]. See also [19, 31–34, 29].

**Table 7.3.** Basic detector types and typical useful wavelength ranges [1–4].

Material	Type <sup>a</sup>	Wavelength range ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) <sup>b</sup>	Material	Type <sup>a</sup>	Wavelength range ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) <sup>b</sup>
Si	PD	<1.1	Si:Sb	IBC	14–38
Ge	PD	<1.8	Ge:Be	PC	30–50
HgCdTe	PD	1–2.5	Ge:Ga	PC	40–120
PtSi	SD	1–4	Ge:Ga	PC (stressed)	120–200
InSb	PD	1–5.6	Ge or Si	TD (bolometer)	200–1000
Si:As	IBC	6–27			

#### Notes

<sup>a</sup>PD=photodiode, PC=photoconductor, SD=Schottky diode, IBC=impurity band conduction photoconductor [also known as blocked impurity band (BIB) photoconductor]; TD=thermal detector.

<sup>b</sup>The HgCdTe long-wavelength cutoff is determined by the Hg/Cd ratio and can be extended to 25  $\mu\text{m}$ .

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For an object that is distributed over  $n$  pixels, the signal photocurrent for photodiodes, photoconductors, and Schottky diodes is[35]

$$\sum_n i_s = A\tau\eta G\lambda F_\lambda \Delta\lambda/(hc) = A\tau\eta G(\Delta\lambda/\lambda)F_\nu/h \text{ electrons s}^{-1},$$

where  $i_s$  is the photocurrent from an individual pixel,  $A$  ( $\text{m}^2$ ) is the telescope collecting area,  $\tau$  is the transmission of instrument, telescope, and atmosphere,  $\eta$  is the detector quantum efficiency,  $G$  is the photoconductive gain (=1 for a photodiode;  $\leq 0.5$  for a photoconductor),  $\Delta\lambda/\lambda$  is the fractional spectral bandwidth,  $F_\lambda (\text{W m}^{-2} \mu\text{m}^{-1}) = \Omega_{\text{source}} B_\lambda$  = source flux density, and  $F_\nu (\text{W m}^{-2} \text{Hz}^{-1}) = \Omega_{\text{source}} B_\nu$  = source flux density.

The background photocurrent per pixel is

$$i_{\text{bg}} = A\tau\eta G N_\phi \Delta\lambda \Omega_{\text{pix}} \text{ electrons s}^{-1},$$

where  $N_\phi$  ( $\text{photons s}^{-1} \text{m}^{-2} \mu\text{m}^{-1} \text{arcsec}^{-2}$ ) is the background surface brightness and  $\Omega_{\text{pix}}$  ( $\text{arcsec}^2$ ) is the solid angle on the sky viewed by one pixel.

The RMS noise per pixel is

$$[N_r^2 + xG(i_s + i_{\text{bg}} + i_{\text{dc}})t]^{1/2} \text{ electrons},$$

where  $N_r$  (electrons) is the detector read noise,  $i_{\text{dc}}$  (electrons  $\text{s}^{-1}$ ) is the detector dark current,  $t$  (s) is the integration time, and  $x=1$  for a photodiode or IBC photoconductor or  $x=2$  for a photoconductor.

The signal-to-noise ratio before sky subtraction is

$$S/N = \left( \sum_n i_s \right) t \left( \sum_n [N_r^2 + xG(i_s + i_{\text{bg}} + i_{\text{dc}})t] \right)^{-1/2}.$$

An alternative signal-to-noise ratio equation including the noise introduced by sky subtraction is [36]:

$$S/N = N_{\text{obj}} \left[ N_{\text{obj}} + n_{\text{pix}}(1 + n_{\text{pix}}/n_{\text{bg}})(N_r^2 + N_{\text{bg}} + N_{\text{dc}} + N_{\text{dig}}^2) \right]^{-1/2},$$

where  $N_{\text{obj}}$  is the total number of signal electrons from the object ( $= \sum i_s t$ ),  $n_{\text{pix}}$  is the number of pixels summed for the object,  $n_{\text{bg}}$  is the number of pixels summed for the sky subtraction,  $N_r$  is the read noise in electrons per pixel,  $N_{\text{bg}}$  is the sky background in electrons per pixel ( $= xG i_{\text{bg}} t$ ),  $N_{\text{dc}}$  is the dark current in electrons per pixel ( $= xG i_{\text{dc}} t$ ), and  $N_{\text{dig}}$  is the digitization noise in electrons per pixel (usually negligible).

**Table 7.4.** Far-infrared heterodyne detectors [1,2].

Type	Wavelength range ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
Schottky diode	100–300
Superconducting-insulator-superconducting (SIS)	300–3000

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For a heterodyne receiver [37],

$$S/N = (T_S/T_N) \sqrt{t \Delta\nu},$$

where  $T_S$  is the source temperature (K),  $T_N$  is the equivalent Rayleigh–Jeans noise temperature (K) of the receiver, and  $\Delta\nu$  (Hz) is the channel width of the radio integrator.

## 7.5 PHOTOMETRY ( $\lambda < 30 \mu\text{m}$ )

There is no common infrared photometric (radiometric) system. As a result, filter central wavelengths, filter bandwidths, and instrumental responses are different at each observatory, as are the effects of the atmospheric transmission. The flux density of Vega established by Cohen *et al.* [38] is presented in Table 7.5. It is based upon an atmospheric model for Vega and the flux density calibration at  $0.5556 \mu\text{m}$  given by Hayes [39]. It is consistent with ground-based absolute flux density measurements to within  $\leq 2\sigma$  of the measurement errors.

**Table 7.5.** Filter wavelengths, bandwidths, and flux densities for Vega.<sup>a</sup>

Filter name	$\lambda_{\text{iso}}^b$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	$\Delta\lambda^c$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	$F_\lambda$ ( $\text{W m}^{-2} \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ )	$F_\nu$ (Jy)	$N_\phi$ ( $\text{photons s}^{-1} \text{m}^{-2} \mu\text{m}^{-1}$ )
V	$0.5556^d$	...	$3.44 \times 10^{-8}$	3540	$9.60 \times 10^{10}$
J	1.215	0.26	$3.31 \times 10^{-9}$	1630	$2.02 \times 10^{10}$
H	1.654	0.29	$1.15 \times 10^{-9}$	1050	$9.56 \times 10^9$
K <sub>s</sub>	2.157	0.32	$4.30 \times 10^{-10}$	667	$4.66 \times 10^9$
K	2.179	0.41	$4.14 \times 10^{-10}$	655	$4.53 \times 10^9$
L	3.547	0.57	$6.59 \times 10^{-11}$	276	$1.17 \times 10^9$
L'	3.761	0.65	$5.26 \times 10^{-11}$	248	$9.94 \times 10^8$
M	4.769	0.45	$2.11 \times 10^{-11}$	160	$5.06 \times 10^8$
8.7	8.756	1.2	$1.96 \times 10^{-12}$	50.0	$8.62 \times 10^7$
N	10.472	5.19	$9.63 \times 10^{-13}$	35.2	$5.07 \times 10^7$
11.7	11.653	1.2	$6.31 \times 10^{-13}$	28.6	$3.69 \times 10^7$
Q	20.130	7.8	$7.18 \times 10^{-14}$	9.70	$7.26 \times 10^6$

### Notes

<sup>a</sup>Cohen *et al.* [1] recommend the use of Sirius rather than Vega as the photometric standard for  $\lambda > 20 \mu\text{m}$  because of the infrared excess of Vega at these wavelengths. The magnitude of Vega depends on the photometric system used, and it is either assumed to be 0.0 mag. or assumed to be 0.02 or 0.03 mag. for consistency with the visual magnitude.

<sup>b</sup>The infrared isophotal wavelengths and flux densities (except for K<sub>s</sub>) are taken from Table 1 of [1], and they are based on the UKIRT filter set and the atmospheric absorption at Mauna Kea. See Table 2 of [1] for the case of the atmospheric absorption at Kitt Peak. The isophotal wavelength is defined by  $F(\lambda_{\text{iso}}) = \int F(\lambda)S(\lambda)d\lambda / \int S(\lambda)d\lambda$ , where  $F(\lambda)$  is the flux density of Vega and  $S(\lambda)$  is the (detector quantum efficiency)  $\times$  (filter transmission)  $\times$  (optical efficiency)  $\times$  (atmospheric transmission)[2].  $\lambda_{\text{iso}}$  depends on the spectral shape of the source and a correction must be applied for broadband photometry of sources that deviate from the spectral shape of the standard star [3]. The flux density and  $\lambda_{\text{iso}}$  for K<sub>s</sub> were calculated here. For the K' filter, see [4].

<sup>c</sup> The filter full width at half maximum.

<sup>d</sup>The wavelength at V is a monochromatic wavelength; see [5].

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*Photometric systems and standard star observations.* For AAO, 1.2–3.8  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [42]; for CIT, 1.2–3.5  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [43]; for ESO, 1.2–3.8  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [44]; for ESO, 1.2–4.8  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [45]; for IRTF, 10–20  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [46]; for KPNO, 1.2–2.2  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [47]; for MSO, 1.2–2.2  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [48]; for OAN, 1.2–2.2  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [49]; for SAAO, 1.2–3.4  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [50]; for UA, IRTF, WIRO, 1.2–20  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [51]; for UKIRT, 1–2.2  $\mu\text{m}$ , faint standards, see [52]; for WIRO, 1.2–33  $\mu\text{m}$ , see [53].

*Color transformations.* For JHKLL'M; SAAO–Johnson, SAAO–ESO, SAAO–AAO, AAO–MSO, AAO–CIT, see [17]; for JHKLM; ESO–SAAO; ESO–AAO; ESO–MSSSO; ESO–CTIO, see [44]; for JHK; OAN–CIT, OAN–AAO, OAN–ESO, OAN–Johnson, see [49]; for JHKL; SAAO–ESO, SAAO–AAO, SAAO–MSSSO, SAAO–CTIO, see [50]; for JHKL; CIT–AAO, CIT–SAAO, CIT–Johnson, see [54]; for JHKLM; Johnson–ESO, Johnson–SAAO, see [55]; for JHK; CIT–IRTF, CIT–UKIRT, CIT–CTIO, CIT–ESO, CIT–KPNO, CIT–HCO, CIT–AAO, CIT–Johnson/Glass, see [56].

*Acronyms.* AAO=Anglo-Australian Observatory; CIT=California Institute of Technology; CTIO=Cerro Tololo Inter-American Observatory; ESO=European Southern Observatory; HCO=Harvard College Observatory (Mt. Hopkins); IRTF=NASA Infrared Telescope Facility; KPNO=Kitt Peak National Observatory; MSO=Mt. Stromlo Observatory; MSSSO=Mt. Stromlo/Siding Springs Observatory; OAN=San Pedro Mártir National Observatory; SAAO=South African Astronomical Observatory; UA=University of Arizona; UKIRT=United Kingdom Infrared Telescope; WIRO=Wyoming Infrared Observatory.

Tables 7.6–7.8 give intrinsic colors and effective temperatures for stars.

**Table 7.6.** *Intrinsic colors and effective temperatures for the main sequence (class V).<sup>a</sup>*

Spectral type	$V - K$	$J - H$	$H - K$	$K - L$	$K - L'$	$K - M$	$T_{\text{eff}}^b$
O9	-0.87	-0.14	-0.04	-0.06			35 900
O9.5	-0.85	-0.13	-0.04	-0.06			34 600
B0	-0.83	-0.12	-0.04	-0.06			31 500
B1	-0.74	-0.10	-0.03	-0.05			25 600
B2	-0.66	-0.09	-0.03	-0.05			22 300
B3	-0.56	-0.08	-0.02	-0.05			19 000
B4	-0.49	-0.07	-0.02	-0.05			17 200
B5	-0.42	-0.06	-0.01	-0.04			15 400
B6	-0.36	-0.05	-0.01	-0.04			14 100
B7	-0.29	-0.03	-0.01	-0.04			13 000
B8	-0.24	-0.03	0.00	-0.04			11 800
B9	-0.13	-0.01	0.00	-0.03			10 700
A0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9 480
A2	0.14	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	8 810
A5	0.38	0.06	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	8 160
A7	0.50	0.09	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	7 930
F0	0.70	0.13	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	7 020
F2	0.82	0.17	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	6 750
F5	1.10	0.23	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.02	6 530
F7	1.32	0.29	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.02	6 240

**Table 7.6.** *Continued.*

Spectral type	$V - K$	$J - H$	$H - K$	$K - L$	$K - L'$	$K - M$	$T_{\text{eff}}^b$
G0	1.41	0.31	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.01	5 930
G2	1.46	0.32	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.01	5 830
G4	1.53	0.33	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.01	5 740
G6	1.64	0.37	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.00	5 620
K0	1.96	0.45	0.08	0.06	0.06	-0.01	5 240
K2	2.22	0.50	0.09	0.07	0.07	-0.02	5 010
K4	2.63	0.58	0.11	0.09	0.10	-0.04	4 560
K5	2.85	0.61	0.11	0.10	0.11		4 340
K7	3.16	0.66	0.15	0.11	0.13		4 040
M0	3.65	0.67	0.17	0.14	0.17		3 800
M1	3.87	0.66	0.18	0.15	0.21		3 680
M2	4.11	0.66	0.20	0.16	0.23		3 530
M3	4.65	0.64	0.23	0.20	0.32		3 380
M4	5.28	0.62	0.27	0.23	0.37		3 180
M5	6.17	0.62	0.33	0.29	0.42		3 030
M6	7.37	0.66	0.38	0.36	0.48		2 850

**Notes**

<sup>a</sup>Colors given in the Johnson-Glass system as established by Bessell and Brett [1]. References used: O,B, [2]; A,F,G,K, [1]; K,M, [3]. Did not use K-M from [2] because there is a large offset compared to [1]. Approximate uncertainties (one standard deviation):  $\pm 0.02$  (O-K);  $\pm 0.03$  (M).

<sup>b</sup> $T_{\text{eff}}$  is an average of values from the following sources: for O,B, [4]; for B,A,F,G,K, [5]; for B,G,K, [6]; for A,F, [7]; for A,F,G,K, [8]; for A,F,G, [9]; for G,K, [10]; for K,M, [3]; for M, [11],[7],[12]. Approximate uncertainties (one standard deviation):  $\pm 1000$  K (O9-B2);  $\pm 250$  K (B3-B9);  $\pm 100$  K (A0-M6).

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**Table 7.7.** *Intrinsic colors and effective temperatures for giant stars (class III).<sup>a</sup>*

Spectral type	$V - K$	$J - H$	$H - K$	$K - L$	$K - L'$	$K - M$	$T_{\text{eff}}^b$
G0	1.75	0.37	0.07	0.04	0.05	0.00	5910
G4	2.05	0.47	0.08	0.05	0.06	-0.01	5190
G6	2.15	0.50	0.09	0.06	0.07	-0.02	5050
G8	2.16	0.50	0.09	0.06	0.07	-0.02	4960
K0	2.31	0.54	0.10	0.07	0.08	-0.03	4810
K1	2.50	0.58	0.10	0.08	0.09	-0.04	4610
K2	2.70	0.63	0.12	0.09	0.10	-0.05	4500
K3	3.00	0.68	0.14	0.10	0.12	-0.06	4320
K4	3.26	0.73	0.15	0.11	0.14	-0.07	4080
K5	3.60	0.79	0.17	0.12	0.16	-0.08	3980

**Table 7.7.** *Continued.*

Spectral type	$V - K$	$J - H$	$H - K$	$K - L$	$K - L'$	$K - M$	$T_{\text{eff}}^b$
M0	3.85	0.83	0.19	0.12	0.17	-0.09	3820
M1	4.05	0.85	0.21	0.13	0.17	-0.10	3780
M2	4.30	0.87	0.22	0.15	0.19	-0.12	3710
M3	4.64	0.90	0.24	0.17	0.20	-0.13	3630
M4	5.10	0.93	0.25	0.18	0.21	-0.14	3560
M5	5.96	0.95	0.29	0.20	0.22	-0.15	3420
M6	6.84	0.96	0.30				3250
M7	7.80	0.96	0.31				

**Notes**

<sup>a</sup>Colors given in the Johnson-Glass system as established by Bessell and Brett in [1]. Approximate uncertainties (one standard deviation):  $\pm 0.02$ .

<sup>b</sup> $T_{\text{eff}}$  is an average of values from the following sources: for G,K,M, [2]; for K,M, [3]; for G,K, [4]; for G,K,M, [5]. Approximate uncertainties (one standard deviation):  $\pm 50$  K (G2-K5);  $\pm 70$  K (M0-M6). For O and B stars, see [6].

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**Table 7.8.** *Intrinsic colors and effective temperatures for supergiant stars (class I).<sup>a</sup>*

Spectral type	$V - K$	$J - H$	$H - K$	$K - L$	$T_{\text{eff}}^b$
O9	-0.82	-0.05	-0.13	-0.08	32 500
B0	-0.69	-0.04	-0.10	-0.07	26 000
B1	-0.55	-0.03	-0.06	-0.07	20 700
B2	-0.40	-0.04	0.00	-0.07	17 800
B3	-0.28	-0.03	0.03	-0.05	15 600
B4	-0.20	-0.01	0.01	-0.01	13 900
B5	-0.13	0.01	0.00	0.02	13 400
B6	-0.07	0.04	-0.02	0.03	12 700
B7	0.01	0.06	-0.02	0.04	12 000
B8	0.07	0.07	-0.02	0.05	11 200
B9	0.13	0.08	-0.02	0.06	10 500
A0	0.19	0.09	-0.02	0.07	9 730
A1	0.26	0.11	-0.01	0.07	9 230
A2	0.32	0.12	-0.01	0.08	9 080
A5	0.48	0.13	0.02	0.07	8 510
F0	0.64	0.15	0.04	0.06	7 700
F2	0.75	0.18	0.05	0.06	7 170
F5	0.93	0.22	0.06	0.07	6 640
F8	1.21	0.28	0.07	0.07	6 100
G0	1.44	0.33	0.08	0.08	5 510
G3	1.67	0.38	0.09	0.08	4 980
G8	1.99	0.43	0.11	0.09	4 590
K0	2.15	0.46	0.12	0.10	4 420
K1	2.28	0.49	0.13	0.11	4 330

**Table 7.8.** *Continued.*

Spectral type	$V - K$	$J - H$	$H - K$	$K - L$	$T_{\text{eff}}^b$
K2	2.43	0.52	0.13	0.12	4 260
K3 Iab	2.90	0.59	0.13	0.15	4 130
K5 Iab	3.50	0.67	0.14	0.18	3 850
M0 Iab	3.80	0.73	0.18	0.20	3 650
M1 Iab	3.90	0.73	0.20	0.22	3 550
M2 Iab	4.10	0.73	0.22	0.24	3 450
M3 Iab	4.60	0.74	0.24	0.26	3 200
M4 Iab	5.20	0.78	0.26	0.28	2 980
M0 Ib	3.80	0.76	0.18	0.12	
M1 Ib	3.90	0.76	0.20	0.14	
M2 Ib	4.10	0.76	0.22	0.16	
M3 Ib	4.60	0.77	0.24	0.18	
M4 Ib	5.20	0.81	0.26	0.20	
M0 Ia	3.80	0.61	0.18	0.27	
M1 Ia	3.90	0.61	0.20	0.29	
M2 Ia	4.10	0.61	0.22	0.31	
M3 Ia	4.60	0.62	0.24	0.33	
M4 Ia	5.20	0.66	0.26	0.35	

**Notes**

<sup>a</sup>Colors given in the Johnson–Glass system as established by Bessell and Brett [1]. References used: For O,A, [2]; for A,F,G,K, [3]; for K,M, [4]. Approximate uncertainties (one standard deviation):  $\pm 0.03$ .

<sup>b</sup> $T_{\text{eff}}$  is an average of values from the following references: For O–M, [5]; for O–K, [6]; for O,B, [7]. Approximate uncertainties (one standard deviation):  $\pm 1000$  K (O9–B2);  $\pm 250$  K (B3–B9);  $\pm 200$  K (A–M).

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## 7.6 PHOTOMETRY ( $\lambda > 30 \mu\text{m}$ )

The primary flux density calibrator for ground-based submillimeter and millimeter observations is Mars [57]. The main secondary calibrators are Uranus [58, 59] and Jupiter [5, 59, 60]. Other secondary calibrators consist of astronomical sources [59, 61].

Instrument details for the IRAS satellite are given in Table 7.9.

**Table 7.9.** *Infrared Astronomical Satellite (IRAS) summary information.<sup>a</sup>*

Effective wavelength ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	12	25	60	100
Bandwidth (FWHM) ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	7.0	11.15	32.5	31.5
Typical detector field of view, (in scan) $\times$ (cross scan) (arcmin)	$0.76 \times 4.55$	$0.76 \times 4.65$	$1.51 \times 4.75$	$3.03 \times 5.05$
Point Source Catalog, with 2 coverages,				

**Table 7.9.** *Continued.*

Effective wavelength ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	12	25	60	100
90% completeness limits (Jy) <sup>b</sup>	0.45	...	0.64	...
Faint Source Catalog median 90% completeness limits (Jy) <sup>b</sup>	0.18	0.29	0.26	...

**Notes**

<sup>a</sup>IRAS observations are sensitive to dust with  $T > 25$  K. For IRAS catalogs, see [1,2].

<sup>b</sup>Completeness limits vary according to the amount of sky coverage obtained.

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- Infrared Astronomical Satellite (IRAS) Catalogs and Atlases, 1988, ed. Joint IRAS Science Working Group (U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C.), Vol. 1–7
- The Infrared Processing & Analysis Center (IPAC) WWW Home Page (<http://www.ipac.caltech.edu/>) has numerous databases and information on IRAS catalogs

The following formulas give the IRAS four-band and two-band fluxes. For galactic sources [62]

$$F_{\text{ir}}(7 - 135 \mu\text{m}) = 1.0 \times 10^{-14} (20.653f_{12} + 7.538f_{25} + 4.578f_{60} + 1.762f_{100}) \text{ W m}^{-2}.$$

For extragalactic sources [63, 64]

$$F_{\text{ir}}(8 - 1000 \mu\text{m}) = 1.8 \times 10^{-14} (13.48f_{12} + 5.16f_{25} + 2.58f_{60} + f_{100}) \text{ W m}^{-2},$$

$$F_{\text{fir}}(43 - 123 \mu\text{m}) = 1.26 \times 10^{-14} (2.58f_{60} + f_{100}) \text{ W m}^{-2},$$

where  $f_{12}$ ,  $f_{25}$ ,  $f_{60}$ , and  $f_{100}$  are the IRAS flux densities in Jy at 12, 25, 60, and 100  $\mu\text{m}$ . These formulas are approximations based on assumptions about the intrinsic source spectrum and dust emissivity. It is recommended that the original references be consulted for details.

The luminosity (in solar luminosities) is

$$L_{\text{ir,fir}} = 3.127 \times 10^7 D^2 F_{\text{ir,fir}} L_{\odot},$$

where  $D$  is in pc and  $F_{\text{ir,fir}}$  is in  $\text{W m}^{-2}$ .

The far-infrared emission–radio emission correlation [65] is

$$q = \log\{[F_{\text{fir}}/(3.75 \times 10^{12} \text{ Hz})]/f_{1.4 \text{ GHz}}\} = 2.14,$$

where  $f_{1.4 \text{ GHz}}$  is the 1.4-GHz flux density in  $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{ Hz}^{-1}$ .

## 7.7 INFRARED LINE LIST

Table 7.10 presents data for a sample of infrared lines.

**Table 7.10.** Selected infrared lines.

$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) <sup>a</sup>	$\nu$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) <sup>a</sup>	Species	Transition <sup>b</sup>	Reference <sup>c</sup>
1.005 21	9948.17	H I	$n=7-3$ (Pa $\delta$ )	[1,2,3]
1.012 64	9875.18	He II	$n=5-4$	[1,3]
1.083 3	9231.2	He I	$2p^3P^o-2s^3S$	[1,3]
1.094 11	9139.85	H I	$n=6-3$ (Pa $\gamma$ )	[1,2,3]
1.112 86	8985.84	Fe II	$b^4G_{5/2}-z^4F_{5/2}$	[4,5,6]
1.129 0	8857.4	O I	$3d^3D^o-3p^3P$	[2,3,4]
1.162 96	8598.75	He II	$n=7-5$	[1,3]
1.167 64	8564.28	He II	$n=11-6$	[1,7]
1.252	7987.0	[Si IX]	$^3P_1 - ^3P_2$	[8,9,10,11]
1.257 02	7955.30	[Fe II]	$a^4D_{7/2}-a^6D_{9/2}$	[4,5,6]
1.282 16	7799.34	H I	$n=5-3$ (Pa $\beta$ )	[1,2,3]
1.316 82	7594.03	O I	$4s^3S^o-3p^3P$	[3,6]
1.476 44	6773.05	He II	$n=9-6$	[1,3]
1.526 47	6551.08	H I	$n=19-4$ (Br19)	[1,2,3]
1.588 48	6295.29	H I	$n=14-4$ (Br14)	[1,2,3]
1.611 37	6205.92	H I	$n=13-4$ (Br13)	[1,2,3]
1.618 9	6177.0	CO	$v = 6-3$ band head	[12]
1.626 46	6148.32	OH	$v=2-0 P_{1d}(15)$	[12]
1.641 17	6093.21	H I	$n=12-4$ (Br12)	[1,2,3]
1.644 00	6082.73	[Fe II]	$a^4D_{7/2}-a^4F_{9/2}$	[4,5,6]
1.681 11	5948.45	H I	$n=11-4$ (Br11)	[1,2,3]
1.687 78	5924.94	Fe II	$c^4F_{9/2}-z^4F_{9/2}$	[4,5,6]
1.692 30	5909.12	He II	$n=12-7$	[1,7]
1.700 76	5879.74	He I	$4d^3D - 3p^3P^o$	[3,6]
1.736 69	5758.08	H I	$n=10-4$ (Br10)	[1,2,3]
1.741 88	5740.94	Fe II	$c^4F_{7/2}-z^4D_{7/2}$	[3,6]
1.817 91	5500.82	H I	$n=9-4$ (Br9)	[1,2,3]
1.875 61	5331.60	H I	$n=4-3$ (Pa $\alpha$ )	[2,3]
1.945 09	5141.15	H I	$n=8-4$ (Br $\delta$ )	[1,2,3]
1.957 56	5108.40	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=1-0 S(3)$	[13,14]
1.963 4	5093.2	[Si VI]	$^2P_{1/2}-^2P_{3/2}$	[9,10,15]
2.033 76	4917.01	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=1-0 S(2)$	[14,16]
2.040	4902.0	[Al IX]	$^2P_{3/2}^o - ^2P_{1/2}^o$	[9,10]
2.040 65	4900.39	H <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	$v=2\nu_2(2)-0; (4,6,+2)-(3,3)$	[17]
2.058 69	4857.45	He I	$2p^1P^o-2s^1S$	[3,18]
2.060 59	4852.99	Fe II	$c^4F_{5/2}-z^4F_{3/2}$	[5,6,18]
2.089 38	4786.11	Fe II	$c^4F_{3/2}-z^4F_{3/2}$	[5,6,16]
2.093 26	4777.23	H <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	$v=2\nu_2(2)-0; (7,9,+2)-(6,6)$	[17]
2.112 7	4733.4	He I	$4s^3S-3p^3P^o$	[3,6]
2.121 83	4712.91	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=1-0 S(1)$	[14,16]
2.137 48	4678.41	Mg II	$5p^2P_{3/2}^o-5s^2S_{1/2}$	[18]
2.143 80	4664.61	Mg II	$5p^2P_{1/2}^o-5s^2S_{1/2}$	[18]
2.166 12	4616.55	H I	$n=7-4$ (Br $\gamma$ )	[2,3,16]
2.189 11	4568.07	He II	$n=10-7$	[1,7]
2.206 24	4532.59	Na I	$4p^2P_{3/2}^o-4s^2S_{1/2}$	[16,19,20]
2.208 97	4527.00	Na I	$4p^2P_{1/2}^o-4s^2S_{1/2}$	[16,19,20]
2.223 29	4497.84	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=1-0 S(0)$	[14,16]
2.247 72	4448.96	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=2-1 S(1)$	[14,16]
2.263 11	4418.69	Ca I	$4f^3F_3^o-4d^3D_2$	[19]
2.265 73	4413.58	Ca I	$4f^3F_4^o-4d^3D_3$	[19]
2.293 53	4360.09	CO	$v=2-0$ band head	[16]
2.322 65	4305.42	CO	$v=3-1$ band head	[16]
2.343 27	4267.54	CO	$v=2-0 R(1)$	[21]
2.345 31	4263.84	CO	$v=2-0 R(0)$	[21]
2.349 50	4256.22	CO	$v=2-0 P(1)$	[21]
2.351 67	4252.30	CO	$v=2-0 P(2)$	[21]

Table 7.10. *Continued.*

$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) <sup>a</sup>	$\nu$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) <sup>a</sup>	Species	Transition <sup>b</sup>	Reference <sup>c</sup>
2.35246	4250.87	CO	$v=4-2$ band head	[16]
2.38295	4196.48	CO	$v=5-3$ band head	[16]
2.40659	4155.25	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=1-0$ Q(1)	[13,14]
2.41344	4143.47	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=1-0$ Q(2)	[13,14]
2.42373	4125.87	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=1-0$ Q(3)	[13,14]
2.4833	4026.9	[Si VII]	$^3P_1-^3P_2$	[9,10,15]
2.49995	4000.08	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=1-0$ Q(7)	[14,22]
2.62587	3808.26	H I	$n=6-4$ (Br $\beta$ )	[2,22]
2.62688	3806.80	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=1-0$ O(2)	[14,22]
3.0279	3302.6	[Mg VIII]	$^2P_{3/2}^o-^2P_{1/2}^o$	[8,9,10,15]
3.03920	3290.34	H I	$n=10-5$ (Pf $\epsilon$ )	[2]
3.09169	3234.48	He II	$n=7-6$	[3]
3.133	3192.0	OH	$v=1-0$ , K=9 multiplet	[23]
3.29699	3033.07	H I	$n=9-5$ (Pf $\delta$ )	[2,24]
3.41884	2924.97	He II	$n=25-11$	[3,24]
3.48401	2870.26	He II	$n=17-10$	[3,24]
3.50116	2856.20	H I	$n=24-6$ (Hu24)	[2,24]
3.52203	2839.27	H I	$n=23-6$ (Hu23)	[2,24]
3.6246	2758.9	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=0-0$ S(15)	[25,26]
3.64592	2742.79	H I	$n=19-6$ (Hu19)	[2,25]
3.661	2731.0	[Al VI]	$^3P_1-^3P_2$	[8-10]
3.69263	2708.10	H I	$n=18-6$ (Hu18)	[2,25]
3.7240	2685.3	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=0-0$ S(14)	[26]
3.74056	2673.40	H I	$n=8-5$ (Pf $\gamma$ )	[2]
3.80741	2626.46	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=1-0$ O(7)	[14,27]
3.8462	2600.0	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=0-0$ S(13)	[26,27]
3.935	2541	[Si IX]	$^3P_1-^3P_0$	[9,10,15]
3.95300	2529.72	H <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	$v=v_2(1)-0; (1,0,-1)-(1,0)$	[28]
4.0045	2497.2	SiO	$v = 2 - 0$ band head	[29]
4.02087	2487.02	H I	$n=14-6$ (Hu14)	[2,16]
4.03781	2476.59	He I	$5f\ ^3F^o-4d\ ^3D$	[3,30]
4.04900	2469.75	He I	$5g\ ^1G-4f\ ^1F^o; 5g\ ^3G-4f\ ^3F^o$	[30]
4.05226	2467.76	H I	$n=5-4$ (Br $\alpha$ )	[2,16]
4.17079	2397.63	H I	$n=13-6$	[2,16]
4.64931	2150.86	CO	$v=1-0$ R(1)	[31]
4.65378	2148.79	H I	$n=7-5$ (Pf $\beta$ )	[2,16]
4.65748	2147.08	CO	$v=1-0$ R(0)	[31]
4.67415	2139.43	CO	$v=1-0$ P(1)	[31]
4.68262	2135.55	CO	$v=1-0$ P(2)	[31]
4.69462	2130.10	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=0-0$ S(9)	[14]
5.0531	1979.0	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=0-0$ S(8)	[14,26]
6.634	1507	[Ni II]	$a\ ^2D_{3/2}-a\ ^2D_{5/2}$	[32]
6.985	1432	[Ar II]	$^2P_{1/2}^o-^2P_{3/2}^o$	[33]
7.642	1309	[Ne VI]	$^2P_{3/2}-^2P_{1/2}$	[9,10]
8.99135	1112.18	[Ar III]	$^3P_1-^3P_2$	[33,34]
10.51	951.5	[S IV]	$^2P_{3/2}^o-^2P_{1/2}^o$	[33]
10.521	950.48	[Co II]	$a\ ^3F_3-a\ ^3F_4$	[11,32]
12.2786	814.425	H <sub>2</sub>	$v=0-0$ S(2)	[14]
12.3720	808.283	H I	$n = 7-6$ (Hu $\alpha$ )	[2]
12.8135	780.424	[Ne II]	$^2P_{1/2}^o-^2P_{3/2}^o$	[33,34]
15.56	642.7	[Ne III]	$^3P_1-^3P_2$	[33]
17.0348	587.032	H <sub>2</sub>	$v = 0-0$ S(1)	[14]
18.7130	534.387	[S III]	$^3P_2-^3P_1$	[34,35]
24.3158	411.256	[Ne V]	$^3P_1-^3P_0$	[34,35]
25.87	386.5	[O IV]	$^2P_{3/2}-^2P_{1/2}$	[33]
28.2188	354.374	H <sub>2</sub>	$v = 0-0$ S(0)	[14]

Table 7.10. *Continued.*

$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) <sup>a</sup>	$\nu$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) <sup>a</sup>	Species	Transition <sup>b</sup>	Reference <sup>c</sup>
33.482	298.67	[S III]	$^3P_1 - ^3P_0$	[35,36]
51.816	192.99	[O III]	$^3P_2 - ^3P_1$	[33,35]
57.317	174.47	[N III]	$^2P_{3/2}^o - ^2P_{1/2}^o$	[33]
63.183 7	158.269	[O I]	$^3P_1 - ^3P_2$	[37]
77.059	129.77	CO	$J=34-33$	[37]
88.355	113.18	[O III]	$^3P_1 - ^3P_0$	[33,35]
119.23	83.872	OH	$^2\Pi_{3/2} J=5/2-3/2$	[37]
119.44	83.724	OH	$^2\Pi_{3/2} J=5/2-3/2$	[37]
121.898	82.035 8	[N II]	$^3P_2 - ^3P_1$	[33,38]
124.65	80.225	NH <sub>3</sub>	$K=3, J=4-3, a-s$	[37]
145.526	68.716 2	[O I]	$^3P_0 - ^3P_1$	[33]
157.741	63.395 1	[C II]	$^2P_{3/2}^o - ^2P_{1/2}^o$	[33]
162.81	61.421	CO	$J=16-15$	[37]
205.178	48.738 2	[N II]	$^3P_1 - ^3P_0$	[38]
370.415	26.996 7	[C I]	$^3P_2 - ^3P_1$	[33]
371.65	26.907	CO	$J=7-6$	[39]
609.135	16.416 7	[C I]	$^3P_1 - ^3P_0$	[33]

**Notes**<sup>a</sup>Vacuum wavelengths and frequencies are given.<sup>b</sup>Transition shown is (upper level)–(lower level).<sup>c</sup>Because of space limitations, only a few transitions of each species are shown; see references for additional lines. Wavelength and frequencies were calculated or obtained from primary references where possible. For additional information, see [40–45].**References**

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## 7.8 DUST

For the infrared interstellar reddening law, see [66–69].

The total to selective absorption ([66–68], for  $R = A_V/E(B-V) = 3.1$ ) is

$$A_V/E(J-K) = 5.82 \pm 0.1, \quad A_V/E(H-K) = 15.3 \pm 0.6,$$

$$A_V/E(V-K) = 1.13 \pm 0.03,$$

$$A_\lambda/E(J-K) = 2.4(\lambda)^{-1.75} \quad (\text{for } 0.9 < \lambda < 6 \mu\text{m}).$$

The color excess ratio [67] is

$$E(J-H)/E(H-K) = 1.70 \pm 0.05.$$

The ratio of visual extinction to silicate band optical depth ( $\tau_{\text{si}}$ ) [68, 70, 71] is

$$A_V/\tau_{\text{si}} = 19 \pm 1 \text{ (local interstellar medium),}$$

$$A_V/\tau_{\text{si}} = 11 \pm 2 \text{ (Galactic Center region).}$$

The average visual extinction to the Galactic Center region is 34 mag. [72] and to individual sources it ranges from 23 to 35 mag. [67].

The extinction cross section per H nucleus in the local interstellar medium [68] is

$$N_{\text{H}}/\text{E}(J - K) = 1.1 \times 10^{22} \text{ nuclei cm}^{-2} \text{ mag}^{-1}.$$

The interstellar linear polarization [73–75]:

$$P(\lambda)/P_{\text{max}} = \exp[-K \ln^2(\lambda_{\text{max}}/\lambda)] \text{ (for } \lambda < 2 \mu\text{m}),$$

$$P(\lambda) \propto \lambda^{-\beta}, \quad \beta = 1.6 - 2.0 \text{ (for } 2 < \lambda < 5 \mu\text{m}),$$

where  $P(\lambda)$  is the percentage polarization,  $P_{\text{max}}$  is the maximum percentage polarization occurring at  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , and  $K = 0.01 \pm 0.05 + (1.66 \pm 0.09)\lambda_{\text{max}}$ .

Table 7.11 and Figure 7.5 present data on the interstellar dust emission. Table 7.12 presents far-infrared dust properties.

**Table 7.11.** Average galactic diffuse emission<sup>a</sup> [1].

$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	$\nu I_{\nu}$ ( $10^{-7} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1}$ )	$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	$\nu I_{\nu}$ ( $10^{-7} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1}$ )
3.5	0.21	60	0.88
4.9	0.13	100	2.0
12	0.80	140	3.8
25	0.41	240	2.5

#### Note

<sup>a</sup>For galactic latitudes  $-6^\circ$  to  $-4^\circ$  and  $+4^\circ$  to  $+6^\circ$ . Emission is highly variable on small spatial scales [1,2].

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The dust mass estimate from the 100- $\mu\text{m}$  flux density is

$$M_{\text{dust}} = 4.81 \times 10^{-12} f_{100} D^2 (e^{143.88/T_d} - 1) \text{ M}_{\odot},$$

where  $f_{100}$  is the 100- $\mu\text{m}$  flux density in Jy,  $D$  is the distance in pc, and  $T_d$  is the dust temperature in K. The derivation follows from [76], using a mass absorption coefficient of  $2.5 \text{ m}^2 \text{ kg}^{-1}$  at 100  $\mu\text{m}$ . The dust mass absorption coefficient at submillimeter wavelengths is estimated in [68, 76, 77].

The equilibrium dust temperature of a particle with albedo  $A$  at a distance  $r$  (in pc) from a source of luminosity  $L$  (in  $L_{\odot}$ ) is

$$T_e = 0.612(1 - A)^{0.25} L^{0.25} r^{-0.5} \text{ K}.$$

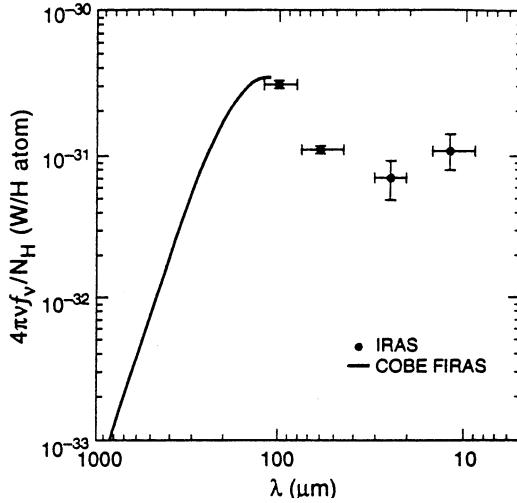


Figure 7.5. Emission spectrum of interstellar dust. Adapted from [78]. See also [26, 79, 80].

The nonequilibrium emission from extremely small particles is discussed in [81–83].

**Table 7.12.** Galactic dust properties at 140–240  $\mu\text{m}$ . Mean values in the Galactic plane ( $|b| < 1^\circ$ )<sup>a</sup>.[1]

Quantity	Inner Galaxy ( $270^\circ < \ell < 350^\circ$ ; $10^\circ < b < 90^\circ$ )	Outer Galaxy ( $90^\circ < \ell < 270^\circ$ )	Entire Galaxy
Dust temperature (K)	$20 \pm 1$	$17 \pm 1$	$19 \pm 1$
240 $\mu\text{m}$ optical depth	$(5.0 \pm 2.0) \times 10^{-3}$	$(9.5 \pm 3.0) \times 10^{-4}$	$(3.0 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-3}$
Total FIR radiance ( $\text{W m}^{-2} \text{sr}^{-1}$ )	$(3.7 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-5}$	$(2.4 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-6}$	$(2.0 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-5}$
Gas-to-dust ratio	$140 \pm 50$	$190 \pm 60$	$160 \pm 60$
FIR luminosity per H mass ( $L_\odot / M_\odot$ )	$3.0 \pm 0.3$	$0.9 \pm 0.1$	$2.0 \pm 0.2$

#### Note

<sup>a</sup>Data from the Cosmic Background Explorer (COBE) satellite; for additional information see the COBE WWW Home Page: [http://www.gsfc.nasa.gov/astro/cobe/cobe\\_home.html](http://www.gsfc.nasa.gov/astro/cobe/cobe_home.html)

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Spectral features of dust and ice in the infrared are listed in Table 7.13.

**Table 7.13.** Major dust and ice features [1–7].

$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Identification	Where observed
3.08	H <sub>2</sub> O ice	Molecular clouds; OH-IR stars
3.29, 6.2, 7.7,	Aromatic hydrocarbons <sup>a</sup>	H II regions, planetary nebulae, reflection nebulae,

Table 7.13. *Continued.*

$\lambda$ ( $\mu m$ )	Identification	Where observed
8.65, 11.25		young and evolved stars, starburst galaxies
4.62	"X-CN"	Molecular clouds
4.67	CO ice	Molecular clouds
6.0	H <sub>2</sub> O ice	Molecular clouds
6.85	CH <sub>3</sub> OH + other	Molecular clouds
~9.7	Amorphous silicates	H II regions, molecular clouds
~11.2	SiC	Circumstellar shells; planetary nebulae
11.5	H <sub>2</sub> O ice	OH-IR stars
~18	Amorphous silicates	H II regions; Galactic Center
~34	MgS (?)	Planetary nebulae; carbon stars
43	H <sub>2</sub> O ice	OH-IR stars

**Note**

"The nature of the "aromatic hydrocarbons" is not known precisely [7]; it is commonly assumed to be polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs).

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## 7.9 SOLAR SYSTEM

The solar colors are [84]

$$J - H = 0.310, \quad H - K = 0.060, \quad K - L = 0.034, \quad L - M = -0.053, \quad V - K = 1.486.$$

Solar analogs [85] are 16 Cyg B, VB64, HD 105590, HR 2290.

The blackbody temperature of an object without an atmosphere in the solar system is

$$T_b = 278.8(1 - A)^{0.25} r^{-0.5} \text{ K},$$

where  $A$  is the albedo and  $r$  is the distance from the Sun in A.U.

For thermal emission from asteroids, see [86–88].

For the infrared spectra of planetary atmospheres, see [89–92].

For the infrared spectra of comets, see [93, 94].

For near-infrared spectra of satellites, see [95, 96].

For near-infrared spectra of asteroids, see [97, 98].

The infrared magnitudes and colors of many solar system objects are given in Table 7.14.

**Table 7.14.** *Magnitudes of selected solar system bodies.<sup>a</sup>*

Object	Ref.	$V(1,0)^b$	$\Delta V^c$	$V - J$	$J - H$	$H - K$	$K - L$	$V - N$	$V - Q$	$T$ (K) <sup>d</sup>
J1 Io	[1-4]	-1.68	0.15	1.3	0.35	0.08	0.00	4.70	9.29	137 <sup>e</sup>
J2 Europa (L)	[1-5]	-1.37	0.3	1.2	-0.31	-0.35	-2.24	3.91	8.81	130 <sup>e</sup>
J2 Europa (T)	[1-5]			1.4	-0.37	-0.53	-2.35			
J3 Ganymede (L)	[1-5]	-2.08	0.15	1.0	-0.10	-0.08	-1.90	5.69	10.26	142 <sup>e</sup>
J3 Ganymede (T)	[1-5]				-0.07	-0.07	-1.44			
J4 Callisto	[1-5]	-0.95	0.13	1.5	-0.27	0.07	-1.01	7.26	11.72	152 <sup>e</sup>
S2 Enceladus	[6-8]	1.9	0.5	1.06	-0.05	-0.24	< -0.5			
S3 Tethys	[4,6,7]	0.7	0.1	0.9	-0.20	-0.16				
S4 Dione	[4,6,7]	0.88	0.3	0.8	-0.20	-0.12				
S5 Rhea	[4,5,8,9]	0.1	0.2	1.06	-0.05	-0.24	-1.6		8.5	
S6 Titan	[4,10-13]	-1.3	0.0	0.2	-0.31	-0.38	-1.7	6.3		76 <sup>f</sup>
S8 Iapetus (L)	[13-15]	2.4		1.60	0.4	0.05				
S8 Iapetus (T)	[13-15]	0.6		0.8	-0.11	-0.13				
U1 Ariel	[4,16]	1.7		1.20	0.21	-0.04				
U2 Umbriel	[7,9]	2.4		1.30	0.25	-0.09			10.4	
U3 Titania	[4,7,9]	1.3		1.30	0.20	-0.14			10.0	
U4 Oberon	[7,9]	1.6		1.35	0.20	-0.14			10.4	
N1 Triton	[5,8,17,18]	-1.0		1.3	0.31	-0.24			>8.2	38 <sup>d</sup>
Pluto,Charon	[17,19-21]	-0.76	0.30	1.3	-0.01	-0.36			>9.9	55 <sup>g</sup>
1 Ceres	[22-28]	3.72	0.04	1.2	0.31	0.05		10.0	12.8	245 <sup>h</sup>
2 Pallas	[22-28]	4.45	0.16	1.2	0.21	0.04		9.9	12.4	270 <sup>h</sup>
3 Juno	[22-28]	5.73	0.22			0.05		8.7	12.0	230 <sup>h</sup>
4 Vesta	[22-28]	3.55	0.12	1.4	0.17	0.01		8.4	11.2	250 <sup>h</sup>

#### Notes

<sup>a</sup>Average magnitude given unless indicated otherwise; (L)=leading hemisphere, (T)=trailing hemisphere. Approximate filter wavelengths: V(0.55 μm), J(1.25 μm), H(1.65 μm), K(2.2 μm), L(3.45 μm), N(10 μm), Q(20 μm); see references for details.

<sup>b</sup> $V(1,0)$ = absolute visual magnitude at a distance of 1 A.U. from the Earth and 1 A.U. from the Sun at 0° phase angle. The apparent visual magnitude of an object is  $V(r, \Delta, \alpha) = V(1,0) + C\alpha + 5 \log(r\Delta)$ , where  $r$  is the heliocentric distance and  $\Delta$  is the geocentric distance (both in A.U.),  $C$  is the phase coefficient in  $\text{mag deg}^{-1}$ , and  $\alpha$  is the phase angle (deg). The opposition effect, occurring when  $\alpha \approx 0^\circ$ , is not included in this table.

<sup>c</sup> $\Delta V$ =visual light curve amplitude (peak to peak).

<sup>d</sup> $T_B$  = brightness temperature;  $T_S$  = surface or subsolar temperature.

<sup>e</sup> $T_B(10 \mu\text{m})$

<sup>f</sup> $T_B(100 \mu\text{m})$

<sup>g</sup> $T_B(60 \mu\text{m})$

<sup>h</sup> $T_S(10 \mu\text{m})$

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## 7.10 STARS

Molecular features seen in cool stars are listed in Table 7.15.

**Table 7.15. Molecular bands in cool stars [1,2].**

Molecule	Bands	Wavelength range ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Selected references
CO	$\Delta\nu = 1,2,3$	1.5–4.7	[3,4,5,6,7,8,9]
H <sub>2</sub>	$\Delta\nu = 1$ (quadrupole vib-rot)	1.7–2.5	[3]
H <sub>2</sub> O	$\nu_3, 2\nu_2, \nu_2 + \nu_3 - \nu_2,$ $\nu_2 + \nu_3, \nu_1 + \nu_2$	1.3–3.6	[10,11]
CN	$A^2\Pi-X^2\Sigma$	<4	[3,4,6,12,13,14,15]
C <sub>2</sub>	$b^1\Pi_u-x^1\Sigma_g^+$ (Phillips) $A'^3\Sigma_g^--X'^3\Pi_u$ (Ballik-Ramsey)	<2.5	[3,6,14,16]
C <sub>3</sub> , C <sub>5</sub>	$\nu_3$	4–5	[12,17,18]
HCN	$\nu_2, \nu_3, 2\nu_2, 3\nu_2, 2\nu_1 + \nu_2$	2–5, 7.1, 14	[13,15,16,19]
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	$\nu_3, \nu_5, \nu_1 + \nu_5$	2.5–4, 14	[13,16,19]
SiO	$\Delta\nu = 1,2$	4–4.2, 8.0–8.3	[9,20,21,22,23]
OH	$\Delta\nu = 1,2$	1.6–2.0, 3.1–4.0	[8,22,24]
CH	$\Delta\nu = 1$	3.3–4.0	[3,22]
CS	$\Delta\nu = 2$	3.8–4.0	[22,23]

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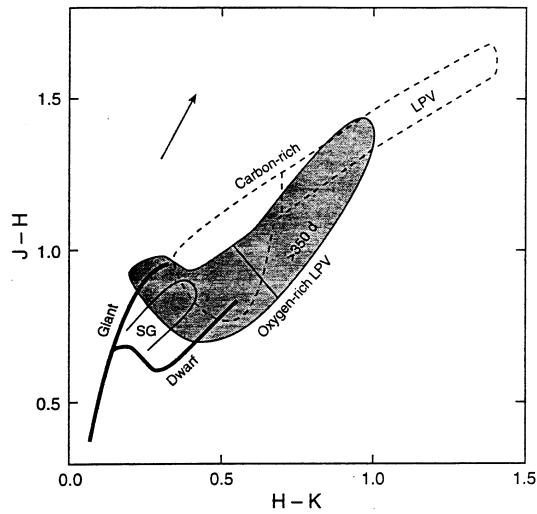
For the infrared star count models, see [103–105].

Useful catalogs are found in [106–109].

For near-infrared spectra of young stars, see [110–118].

For spectral energy distributions of young stellar objects and pre-main sequence stars, see [119–124].

Figure 7.6 shows the color–color diagram for stars.



**Figure 7.6.** Color–color diagram for various classes of stars, adapted from [17]. The dark line indicates the location of G5 to M6 main sequence dwarf and giant stars. The dashed lines indicate the boundary for most carbon-rich stars; the carbon long-period variable (LPV) stars lie to the right. The oxygen-rich (M type) LPV stars fall within the boundary of the solid line, and the LPV stars with periods greater than 350 days are to the right and overlap the carbon-rich LPV stars. The supergiant M stars (SG) lie in a region below and to the right of the giant sequence. The arrow indicates the direction of the interstellar reddening.

## 7.11 EXTRAGALACTIC OBJECTS

### 7.11.1 Energy Distributions and Colors

Infrared energy distributions of galaxies vary widely. Representative examples may be found in [125, 126]. At least five different physical causes have been identified for the continuum infrared emission from galaxies:

(A) Photospheric emission from evolved stars (usually dominant in the 1–3- $\mu\text{m}$  region) [127, 128]: Mean colors of elliptical galaxies (CIT photometric system):  $V-K = 3.33 \text{ mag}$ ;  $J-H$

$= 0.69$  mag;  $H-K = 0.21$  mag. Molecular absorption bands in elliptical galaxies  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $1.95 \mu\text{m}$ )  $= 0.12$  mag; CO ( $2.3 \mu\text{m}$ )  $= 0.16$  mag. For additional near-infrared colors, see [129–132].

(B) Dust shells around evolved stars [133]: This is the main cause of  $10\text{--}12\text{-}\mu\text{m}$  emission in elliptical galaxies, for which  $f_\nu(12 \mu\text{m}) = 0.13 f_\nu(2.2 \mu\text{m})$ . Units of  $f_\nu$  are Jy.

(C) Emission from interstellar dust [134, 135]: Transiently heated “small” grains dominate at about  $10 \mu\text{m}$ ; “large” grains in thermal equilibrium dominate at  $50\text{--}100 \mu\text{m}$ . A typical energy distribution from dust emission in a starburst galaxy normalized to  $60 \mu\text{m}$  is  $f_\nu(12 \mu\text{m}) = 0.035$ ;  $f_\nu(25 \mu\text{m}) = 0.18$ ;  $f_\nu(60 \mu\text{m}) = 1.0$ ;  $f_\nu(100 \mu\text{m}) = 1.41$  [136].

(D) Seyfert nucleus: Seyfert galaxies exhibit infrared emission from dust heated by the central source, as well as emission from starburst or nonthermal components. Seyfert galaxies tend to be most prominent at  $60 \mu\text{m}$ , but energy distributions vary widely. The IRAS  $25\text{--}60\text{-}\mu\text{m}$  spectral slope has been found useful for selecting Seyfert galaxies [137, 138].

(E) Blazar component: Nonthermal, approximately power-law emission ( $f_\nu \propto \nu^\alpha$ ). Mean values are  $\alpha(1 \mu\text{m}) = -1.42 \pm 0.95$ ;  $\alpha(10 \mu\text{m}) = -1.12 \pm 0.47$ ;  $\alpha(100 \mu\text{m}) = -0.88 \pm 0.43$ ;  $\alpha(1 \text{mm}) = -0.18 \pm 0.42$  [139].

For far-infrared colors of extragalactic objects, see [125, 140–143]

### 7.11.2 Statistics of Galaxies at Infrared Wavelengths

*Galaxy number counts at  $2.2 \mu\text{m}$ .* The number of galaxies per square degree per magnitude is [144]:

$$dN/dK = 4000 \times 10^{\alpha(K-17)},$$

where  $\alpha = 0.67$  for  $10 < K < 17$ ,  $\alpha = 0.26$  for  $17 < K < 23$ , and  $K = 2.2 \mu\text{m}$  mag.

*Luminosity function at  $60 \mu\text{m}$*  [125, 145]. The density of galaxies per cubic megaparsec per magnitude interval at  $60 \mu\text{m}$  is

$$\log(\rho) = -3.2 - \alpha \{ \log[\nu L_\nu(60 \mu\text{m})] - 10.2 \},$$

where  $\nu L_\nu(60 \mu\text{m})$  is given in units of  $L_\odot$ , and  $\alpha = 0.8$  for  $\log[\nu L_\nu(60 \mu\text{m})] < 10.2$  and  $\alpha = 2.0$  for  $\log[\nu L_\nu(60 \mu\text{m})] > 10.2$ .  $H_0$  is assumed to be  $75 \text{ km sec}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ .

The total infrared energy output of the local universe from  $8$  to  $1000 \mu\text{m}$  is  $1.24 \times 10^8 L_\odot \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$  [146].

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