

ASTROPHYSICS OF THE INTERSTELLAR MEDIUM - ERRATA

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Plasma emissivity, defined as the total power emitted per unit volume per unit solid angle per unit frequency interval between ν e $\nu + d\nu$, is given by

$$\epsilon_\nu = \frac{n_e}{4\pi} \int P(v, \nu) f(v) dv , \quad (2.2)$$

and it is generally measured in $\text{erg cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1} \text{ Hz}^{-1}$, where $f(v)$ is the distribution function of electron velocities and $P(v, \nu)$ is the total power emitted per unit frequency interval during the collision between an electron with velocity v and an ion with density n_i . If $f(v)$ is given by the Maxwellian distribution, the emissivity is ...

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where we neglect the radiation intensity falling on the region opposite to the observer and $\tau_{\nu r}$ is again the total optical depth of the emitting region ...

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From (5.6), we see that coefficient γ_{jk} gives the collision probability per unit time per field particle so that $n_c \gamma_{jk}$ gives the number of excitations per second, and the product $n_t n_c \gamma_{jk}$ gives the number of excitations per cubic centimeter per second, where n_t is the test particle density ...

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$$\Gamma_{ei} = n_e n_i \sum_j \left[\langle \sigma_{cj} v \rangle \bar{E}_2 - \langle \sigma_{cj} v E_1 \rangle \right] , \quad (7.18)$$