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## Errata:

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| Chapter 1: Section 1.7 The Universe on the Large Scale: PDF page 24, last line says: "knows more about science and did math than Sir Isaac Newton,.." It should say: "knows more about science and math than did Sir Isaac Newton... Andy Fraknoi | In the last sentence of page 24, revise "knows more about science and did math than Sir Isaac Newton" to "knows more about science and math than did Sir Isaac Newton". | Typo |
| Chapter 3: Section 3.1 The Laws of Planetary Motion: On the page named as 75 in the PDF LR book, there is a conceptual error in two sentences, during Example 3.2 in the box. The error is that two sentences point out the equality of the square of the orbital period (measured in Earth years) to the cube of the average distance from the Sun, or semi-major axis (measured in astronomical units). But the respective, essential terms "square" and "cube" are missing! A further complication is errors in the units (sometimes the units are years squared or AU cubed, not just years or AU). Original sentences (the ^ symbol denotes superscript or exponent typesetting for the following integer): AS WRITTEN: For Venus, $\mathrm{P}^{\wedge} 2=0.62 \times 0.62=0.38$ year and $\mathrm{a}^{\wedge} 3=$ $0.72 \times 0.72 \times 0.72=0.37 \mathrm{AU}$ (rounding numbers sometimes causes minor discrepancies like this). The orbital period ( 0.38 year) approximates the semimajor axis (0.37 AU). SUGGESTED CORRECTION: For Venus, $\mathrm{P}^{\wedge} 2=0.62 \times 0.62=$ 0.38 year^2 and $\mathrm{a}^{\wedge} 3=0.72 \times 0.72 \times 0.72=0.37$ AU^3 (rounding numbers sometimes causes minor discrepancies like this). The square of the orbital period ( 0.38 ) approximates the cube of the semimajor axis (0.37). AS WRITTEN: For Earth, | Revise Example 3.2 Applying Kepler's Third Law as follows: Using the orbital periods and semimajor axes for Venus and Earth that are provided here, calculate $\mathrm{P}^{\wedge} 2$ and $\mathrm{a}^{\wedge} 3$, and verify that they obey Kepler's third law. Venus' orbital period is 0.62 year, and its semimajor axis is 0.72 AU. Earth's orbital period is 1.00 year, and its semimajor axis is 1.00 AU . Solution We can use the equation for Kepler's third law, $\mathrm{P}^{\wedge} 2$ is proportional to $\mathrm{a}^{\wedge} 3$. For Venus, $\mathrm{P}^{\wedge} 2=0.62 \times 0.62=$ 0.38 and $\mathrm{a}^{\wedge} 3=0.72 \times 0.72 \mathrm{x}$ $0.72=0.37$ (rounding numbers sometimes causes minor discrepancies like this). The square of the orbital period (0.38) approximates the cube of the semimajor axis (0.37). Therefore, Venus | Minor |


| $\mathrm{P}^{\wedge} 2=1.00 \times 1.00=1.00$ year $^{\wedge} 2$ and $\mathrm{a}^{\wedge} 3=1.00 \times$ $1.00 \times 1.00=1.00 \mathrm{AU}^{\wedge} 3$. The square of the orbital period (1.00) approximates (in this case, equals) the cube of the semimajor axis (1.00). | obeys Kepler's third law. For Earth, $\mathrm{P}^{\wedge} 2=1.00 \times 1.00=$ 1.00 and $\mathrm{a}^{\wedge} 3=1.00 \times 1.00 \mathrm{x}$ $1.00=1.00$. The square of the orbital period (1.00) approximates (in this case, equals) the cube of the semimajor axis (1.00). Therefore, Earth obeys Kepler's third law. Check Your Learning Using the orbital periods and semimajor axes for Saturn and Jupiter that are provided here, calculate $\mathrm{P}^{\wedge} 2$ and $\mathrm{a}^{\wedge} 3$, and verify that they obey Kepler's third law. Saturn's orbital period is 29.46 years, and its semimajor axis is 9.54 AU . Jupiter's orbital period is 11.86 years, and its semimajor axis is 5.20 AU. Answer: For Saturn, $\mathrm{P}^{\wedge} 2$ = $29.46 \times 29.46=867.9$ and $\mathrm{a}^{\wedge} 3=9.54 \times 9.54 \times 9.54=$ 868.3. The square of the orbital period (867.9) approximates the cube of the semimajor axis (868.3). Therefore, Saturn obeys Kepler's third law. |  |
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| Chapter 3: Section 3.1 The Laws of Planetary Motion: P. 74, in Example 3.1, on the line that starts "If the object's orbit has a semi-major axis..." the 4 AU should be 50 AU . I am using the PDF version. Andrew Fraknoi | In the solution to Example 3.1 Calculating Periods, revise "4 AU" to "50 AU". | Typo |
| Chapter 4: Section 4.4 The Calendar: In the section on Mean Solar Time and Standard Time (p. 116) is the sentence: For example, noon occurs when the Sun is overhead. Many students will interpret "overhead" to mean the zenith, in which case this statement promotes the misconception that the sun is overhead at noon, which is never true anywhere in the continental U.S. I suggest changing this sentence to: For example, noon occurs when the Sun is highest in the sky -- on the | Revise the sentence "For example, noon occurs when the Sun is overhead." to "For example, noon occurs when the Sun is highest in the sky on the meridian (but not necessarily at the zenith)." | Typo |


| meridian, but not necessarily at the zenith. Andy Fraknoi |  |  |
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| Chapter 4: Section 4.7 Eclipses of the Sun and Moon: In Section 4.7 Figure 1 the shadows are labelled incorrectly. Area 1 is correctly labelled as the umbra. Sections 2 and 3 are blank but should be labelled penumbra. Section 4 is incorrectly labelled penumbra but should be labelled antumbra. This link shows a correct figure. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Umbra,_penumbra_and _antumbra The attached screenshot is edited to correct the figure. | Revise Figure 4.21 Solar Eclipse as follows: Regions 1 and 4 should have darker shading than Regions 2 and <br> 3. Remove label "penumbra". | Major |
| Chapter 5: Section 5.2 The Electromagnetic <br> Spectrum: Section 5.2 -- need units $\mathrm{nm}^{*} \mathrm{~K}$ on the Wien's law equation in the text (the boxed example has them correct, the paragraph above omits them) | In the paragraph above Example 5.3 Calculating the Temperature of a Blackbody, revise as follows: "The wavelength at which maximum power is... and the temperature is in K (the constant $3 \times 10^{\wedge} 6$ has units of $n m \times K$ )." | Minor |
| Chapter 5: Section 5.2 The Electromagnetic Spectrum: P. 161, in the box, under Answer: "The 5800 K star has triple the temperature," should say "The 8700 K star has...." I am using the PDF version | In Example 5.4 Calculating the Power of a Star, revise "5800" to "8700" in the Answer to the Check Your Learning question. | Typo |
| Chapter 5: 5.2 The Electromagnetic Spectrum: PDF page 170, Example 5.4, the last line (which is an equation) has 8000 in the denominator. That should be 6000! Andy Fraknoi | In the solution to Example 5.4 Calculating the Power of a Star, revise " 8,000 " in the denominator of the last equation to "6000". | Typo |
| Chapter 5: Section 5.4 The Structure of an Atom: 172 Chapter 5 Radiation and Spectra The first line is missing dimensions $--\mathrm{J} \mathrm{s}, \mathrm{Hz}$ in the third equality Answer: $\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{hf}=\left(6.626 \times 10^{\wedge}-34\right)\left(5.5 \times 10^{\wedge} 14\right)=$ $3.6 \times 10-19 \mathrm{~J}$ should read $\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{h} \mathrm{f}=\left(6.626 \times 10^{\wedge}\right.$ $34 \mathrm{~J} \mathrm{~s})\left(5.5 \times 10^{\wedge} 14 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)=3.6 \times 10^{\wedge}-19 \mathrm{~J}$ | Revise the answer to the Check Your Learning Question in Example 5.5 The Energy of a Photon as follows: $\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{hf}=(6.626 \times$ $\left.10^{\wedge}-34 \mathrm{~J} \mathrm{~s}\right)\left(5.5 \times 10^{\wedge 14}\right.$ $\mathrm{Hz}(1 / \mathrm{s}))=3.6 \times 10^{\wedge}-19 \mathrm{~J}$ | Typo |
| Chapter 5: Section 5.5 Formation of Spectral Lines: Figure 1(Bohr Model of Hydrogen) in Section 5.5 (Formation of Spectral Lines) There seems to be an error in this figure. The transitions are ID'd as resulting in "red", "blue-green", and "violet" spectral | Revise Figure 5.19 Bohr Model for Hydrogen as follows: All 3 spectral lines end at the circle labeled " $\mathrm{n}=$ 2". The red spectral line | Major |

|lines. However, the transitions are between the wrong levels if this figure is supposed to be showing the transitions that produce these colors (the first three transitions in the Balmer series). Instead, the transitions shown are the first three in the Lyman series. Because these all produce UV photons, it seems like this must be an error, since leaving it this way means this figure could be a source of major confusion later on (such as when trying to explain the reason for the temperature dependence of the Balmer lines in stellar spectra, etc).

Chapter 5: Section 5.6 The Doppler Effect: One of the learning goals on p. 176 is: "Describe how we can use the Doppler effect to deduce how astronomical objects are moving through space," but "how" an object is moving through space is very vague and could mean many things. Consider changing this learning goal to: "Describe how we can use the Doppler effect to deduce how fast astronomical objects are moving through space." Andy Fraknoi

Chapter 19: Section 19.3: Variable Stars: One Key to Cosmic Distances: Chap. 19, p. 670, under the heading Cepheid Variables, 3rd line: "stars in named" should be "stars is named" - Andy Fraknoi

## Chapter 20: Section 20.1 The Interstellar

 Medium: On the PDF page 690, the box that is headed Example 20.1 there is an error confusing diameter and radius. See the attached Word file for the correct text. - Andy Fraknoistarts at the circle labeled " n = 3". The blue-green spectral line starts at the circle labeled " $\mathrm{n}=4$. The violet spectral line starts at the circle labeled " $\mathrm{n}=5$ ".

Revise the second leaming objective to ""Describe how we can use the Doppler effect to deduce how fast astronomical objects are moving through space."
$\qquad$ In the first paragraph, revise "stars in named" to "stars is Typo named".

Revise the solution to Example 20.1 Estimating Interstellar Mass as follows: Solution If the diameter of the Galaxy is 100,000 lightyears, then the radius is 50,000 light-years. Recall that 1 light-year $=9.5 \times 10^{\wedge} 12$ $\mathrm{km}=9.5 \times 10^{\wedge} 17 \mathrm{~cm}$, so the volume of the Galaxy is $\mathrm{V}=$

Typo $\mathrm{pi}\left(\mathrm{R}^{\wedge} 2\right) \mathrm{h}=\mathrm{pi}(50,000 \times 9.5 \mathrm{x}$ $\left.10^{\wedge} 17 \mathrm{~cm}\right)^{\wedge} 2(300 \times 9.5 \mathrm{x}$ $\left.10^{\wedge} 17 \mathrm{~cm}\right)=2.0 \times 10^{\wedge} 66$ $\mathrm{cm}^{\wedge} 3$ The total mass is therefore $M=V x$ density of atoms x mass per atom 2.0 x $10^{\wedge} 66 \mathrm{~cm}^{\wedge} 3 \times\left(1\right.$ atom $\left./ \mathrm{cm}^{\wedge} 3\right)$ $\times 1.7 \times 10^{\wedge}-27 \mathrm{~kg}=3.5 \mathrm{x}$ $10^{\wedge} 39 \mathrm{~kg}$ This is sufficient to

|  | make $\mathrm{N}=\mathrm{M} /\left(2.0 \times 10^{\wedge} 30 \mathrm{~kg}\right)$ $=1.75 \times 10^{\wedge} 9$ stars equal to the mass of the Sun. That's roughly 2 billion stars. |  |
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| Chapter 20: Section 20.5 The Life Cycle of Cosmic Material: p. 714, Fig. 20.20 Local Fluff In the caption all the superscripts have been lowered to the line. Cm3 should have the 3 be a superscript, e.g. - Andy Fraknoi | In the caption for Figure 20.20 Local Fluff, revise cm3 to $\mathrm{cm}^{\wedge} 3$. | Typo |
| Chapter 21: Section 21.3 Evidence that Planets Form Around Other Stars: On PDF p. 736, 2nd to last line says the Trapezium cluster can be seen in Figure 21.4. That should be 21.5. Andy Fraknoi | In the second paragraph of subsection The Orion Molecular Cloud, revise the second to last sentence to refer to Figure 21.5 Central Region of the Orion Nebula (not Figure 21.4). | Typo |
| Chapter 22: Section 22.4 Further Evolution of Stars: Chap. 22, p. 787, the first line in the paragraph just below figure 22.16, "helium fuel or carbon" should be "helium fuel to carbon" - Andy Fraknoi | In the second paragraph, revise "helium fuel or carbon" to "helium fuel to carbon". | Typo |
| Chapter 26: Section 26.1 The Discovery of Galaxies: P. 934, Voyagers box on Hubble, paragraph 3, line 4, 2.5-meter telescope on Palomar Mountain should be 5 -meter telescope. I am using the PDF version of the Astronomy text. Andrew Fraknoi | In the third paragraph of feature box Voyagers in Astronomy: Edwin Hubble: Expanding the Universe, revise " 2.5 -meter telescope on Palomar Mountain" to "5meter telescope on Palomar Mountain". | Typo |
| Appendix E: Boltzmann constant is missing the negative exponent -- should be $5.67 \times 10^{\wedge}-8$ not $5.67 \times 10^{\wedge} 8$. <br> Starting Chapter 29: The Big Bang: Encode links at the ends of chapters so they are clickable. | Revise the value given for the Stefan-Boltzmann constant to " $5.67 \times 10^{\wedge}$-8". <br> Encoded links. Page numbering changes starting in Chapter 28; it starts on page 989. Each chapter and appendix after chapter 28 starts 2 pages after the chapters/appendices without the links. Chapter 29 starts on page 1041 instead of 1039. Chapter 30 starts on page 1095 instead of 1093. Appendix | Typo |


|  | A starts on page 1135 instead of <br> 1133. Appendix $B$ starts on page <br> 1137 instead of 1135 . Appendix <br> C starts on page 1143 instead of <br> 1141. Appendix D starts on page <br> 1147 instead of 1145 . Appendix <br> E starts on page 1149 instead of <br> 1147. Appendix F starts on page <br> 1151 instead of 1149. Appendix <br> G starts on page 1153 instead of <br> 1151. Appendix H starts on page <br> 1157 instead of 1155. Appendix <br> I starts on page 1161 instead of <br> 1159. Appendix J starts on page <br> 1165 instead of 1163. Appendix <br> K starts on page 1167 instead of <br> 1165. Appendix L starts on page <br> 1173 instead of 1171 . Appendix <br> M starts on page 1179 instead of 1177. Index starts on page <br> 1181 instead of 1179 |
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