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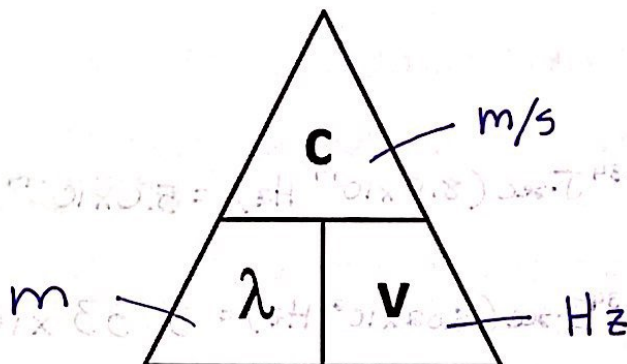
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HONORS CHEMISTRY – CALCULATIONS PRACTICE: WAVELENGTH, FREQUENCY, AND ENERGY OF A PHOTON

Calculating Wavelength and Frequency Formulas:

Speed of Electromagnetic Waves (c) = 2.998×10^8 m/s - When using c , confirm wavelength is in meters



1. Violet light has a wavelength of 4.10×10^{-6} nm. What is the frequency?

$$\frac{4.10 \times 10^{-6} \text{ nm}}{10^9 \text{ nm}} = 4.1 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m} \quad \nu = \frac{2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{4.1 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m}} = 7.31 \times 10^{22} \text{ Hz}$$

2. Green light has a frequency of 6.01×10^{14} Hz. What is the wavelength in meters?

$$\lambda = \frac{2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{6.01 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}} = 4.99 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}$$

3. What is the wavelength (in meters) of the electromagnetic carrier wave transmitted by The Sports Fan radio station at a frequency of 640 kilohertz (kHz)? (Hint: Check your units!!)

$$\frac{640 \text{ kHz}}{1 \text{ kHz}} = 640,000 \text{ Hz} \quad \lambda = \frac{2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{640,000 \text{ Hz}} = 470 \text{ m}$$

4. Calculate the wavelength in nanometers of radiation with a frequency of 8.0×10^{14} Hz.

$$\lambda = \frac{2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{8.0 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}} = 3.7475 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} \left| \frac{10^9 \text{ nm}}{1 \text{ m}} \right. = 374.75 \rightarrow 370 \text{ nm}$$

5. A helium laser emits light with a wavelength of 633 nm. What is the frequency of the light?

$$\frac{633 \text{ nm}}{10^9 \text{ nm}} = 6.33 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m} \quad \nu = \frac{2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{6.33 \times 10^{-7} \text{ m}} = 4.74 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

6. What is the wavelength in nanometers of X-rays having a frequency of 4.80×10^{17} Hz?

$$\lambda = \frac{2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{4.80 \times 10^{17} \text{ Hz}} = 6.2458\bar{3} \times 10^{-10} \text{ m} \left| \frac{1 \text{ nm}}{10^{-9} \text{ m}} \right. = 0.625 \text{ nm}$$

7. An FM radio station broadcasts at a frequency of 107.9 Megahertz (MHz). What is the wavelength in meters of the radio signal? (Hint: Check your units!!)

$$\frac{107.9 \text{ MHz}}{1 \text{ MHz}} = 1.079 \times 10^8 \text{ Hz} \quad \lambda = \frac{2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}}{1.079 \times 10^8 \text{ Hz}} = 2.778 \times 10^0 \text{ m}$$

8. If the limits of human hearing are 20 Hz to 20,000 Hz, what are the sound wavelengths in meters that are associated with both of these two extremes, assuming the speed of sound is 345 m/s.

- Frequency = 20 Hz : Wavelength =

$$\lambda = \frac{345 \text{ m/s}}{20 \text{ Hz}} = 17.25 \text{ m} \rightarrow 20 \text{ m}$$

- Frequency = 20,000 Hz : Wavelength =

$$\lambda = \frac{345 \text{ m/s}}{20,000 \text{ Hz}} = 0.01725 \text{ m} \rightarrow 0.02 \text{ m}$$

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Energy of a Photon Formulas:

$$E = h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$$

Planck's Constant (h) - $6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{sec}$ 9. Calculate the energy of a photon of radiation with a frequency of $8.5 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$.

$$E = h\nu = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{sec} (8.5 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}) = 5.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$$

10. Calculate the energy of a gamma ray photon whose frequency is $5.02 \times 10^{20} \text{ Hz}$?

$$E = h\nu = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{sec} (5.02 \times 10^{20} \text{ Hz}) = 3.33 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$$

11. Calculate the energy of a photon of radiation with a wavelength of 0.64 nm (convert to m).

$$E = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{sec})(2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})}{6.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}} = 3.1 \times 10^{-16} \text{ J}$$

$$\frac{0.64 \text{ nm} | 1 \text{ m}}{10^9 \text{ nm}} = 6.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

12. What is the energy of light whose wavelength is $4.06 \times 10^{-5} \text{ nm}$ (convert to m)?

$$E = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = \frac{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{sec})(2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})}{4.06 \times 10^{-14} \text{ m}} = 4.89 \times 10^{-12} \text{ J}$$

$$\frac{4.06 \times 10^{-5} \text{ nm} | 1 \text{ m}}{10^9 \text{ nm}} = 4.06 \times 10^{-14} \text{ m}$$

13. Rank these parts of the electromagnetic spectrum from lowest energy (1) to highest (7):

7 Gamma 3 Infrared 2 Microwave 1 Radio 4 Visible 5 Ultraviolet 6 X-ray

14. Rank these parts of the electromagnetic spectrum from lowest frequency (a) to highest (g):

g Gamma c Infrared b Microwave a Radio d Visible e Ultraviolet f X-ray

15. Rank these parts of the electromagnetic spectrum from shortest wavelength (A) to longest (G):

A Gamma E Infrared F Microwave G Radio D Visible C Ultraviolet B X-ray