



Classical Thermodynamics

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Fundamental Laws

Early Experimental Laws



Robert Boyle (1627 – 1691), Irish-born British physicist;

Edme Mariotte (1620 -- 1684) , French physicist.

Boyle-Mariotte's law (1662)

Isothermal process:

The *pressure* of an ideal gas at *constant temperature* varies *inversely* with the volume.

$$P \cdot V = \text{constant.}$$

$$P_1 \cdot V_1 = P_2 \cdot V_2.$$



Charles' law

[The law of Charles (1787) and Gay-Lussac (1802)]

Isobaric process:

At **constant pressure**, the **volume** of a given mass of a gas increases or decreases by the same factor as its **temperature** (in kelvins) increases or decreases.

Jacques Alexandre César Charles (1746 – 1823), French physicist and inventor;

Joseph Louis Gay-Lussac (1778 -- 1850) , French chemist and physicist.

$$\frac{V}{T} = \text{constant.}$$

$$\frac{V_1}{T_1} = \frac{V_2}{T_2}.$$

Gay-Lussac's law (1809)



Joseph Louis Gay-Lussac (1778 -- 1850) , French chemist and physicist.

Isochoric process:

The **pressure** of a fixed amount of gas at **fixed volume** is directly proportional to its **temperature** in kelvins.

$$\frac{P}{T} = \text{constant.}$$

$$\frac{P_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2}{T_2}.$$



Avogadro's law [State equation (1811)]

Equal volumes of gases, at the same temperature and pressure, contain the same number of molecules.

$$\frac{P_1 V_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2 V_2}{T_2}$$

$$P \cdot V = n \cdot R \cdot T.$$

Amedeo conte di Quaregna Avogadro (1776 -- 1856), Italian chemist and physicist.

$$1 \text{ mol} = 6.02 \times 10^{23}$$

Formal Thermodynamic Laws

Zeroth law of thermodynamics

If two thermodynamic systems A and B are in thermal equilibrium, and B and C are also in thermal equilibrium, then A and C are in thermal equilibrium.

It is often claimed that this law proves that we can define a temperature function, or more informally, that we can “construct a thermometer”.

- **Reflexivity** - a system is in thermal equilibrium with itself.
- **Symmetry** - if system A is in thermal equilibrium with system B, then system B is in thermal equilibrium with system A.

The term **zeroth law** was coined by **Ralph H. Fowler** in 20th century.

First law of thermodynamics

The increase in the *internal energy* of a system is equal to the amount of *energy* added to the system by *heating*, minus the amount lost in the form of *work* done to the system on its surroundings.



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$$dU = \bar{d}Q + \bar{d}W,$$

general

$$dU = TdS - pdV,$$

$$dU = TdS - pdV + \sum_i \mu_i dN_i$$

reversible process

Rudolf Julius Emanuel Clausius (1822 -- 1888) , German mathematical physicist.

Second law of thermodynamics

A system operating in a cycle cannot produce a positive heat flow from a colder body to a hotter body.

The entropy of a closed system will not decrease for any sustained period of time.



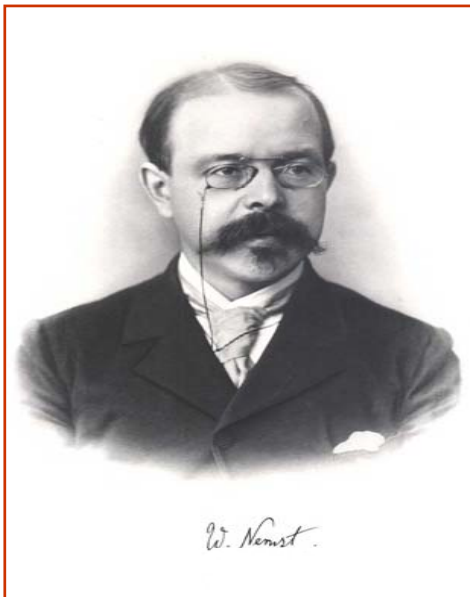
$$\bar{d}Q \leq T dS,$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

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Third law of thermodynamics (Nernst theorem)

As a system approaches absolute zero of temperature all processes cease and the entropy of the system approaches a minimum value or zero for the case of a perfect crystalline substance.



Walther Hermann Nernst

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$$\lim_{T \rightarrow 0} (\Delta S)_T = 0,$$

It is impossible by any procedure, no matter how idealised, to reduce any system to the absolute zero of temperature in a finite number of operations.

**Walther Hermann Nernst (1864 -- 1941),
Polish-German physicist and chemist.**

A little summary in terms of a joke

Zeroth law: *"You must play the game."*

First law: *"You can't win."*

Second law: *"You can't break even."*

Third law: *"You can't quit the game."*

Maxwell's Relations

$$\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial V}\right)_S = -\left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial S}\right)_V,$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial p}\right)_S = \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial S}\right)_p,$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T = \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial T}\right)_V,$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial p}\right)_T = -\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_p$$



**John Dalton (1766 -- 1844),
British chemist and
physicist.**

Investigations on the atomic theory in chemistry.

- **All matter is composed of extremely small particles called atoms.**
- **All atoms of a given element are identical, having the same size, mass, and chemical properties. Atoms of a specific element are different from those of any other element.**
- **Atoms cannot be created, divided into smaller particles, or destroyed.**
- **Different atoms combine in simple whole-number ratios to form compounds.**
- **In a chemical reaction, atoms are separated, combined, or rearranged.**



Jean Baptiste Joseph Fourier (Baron) (1768 -- 1830), French mathematician and physicist.

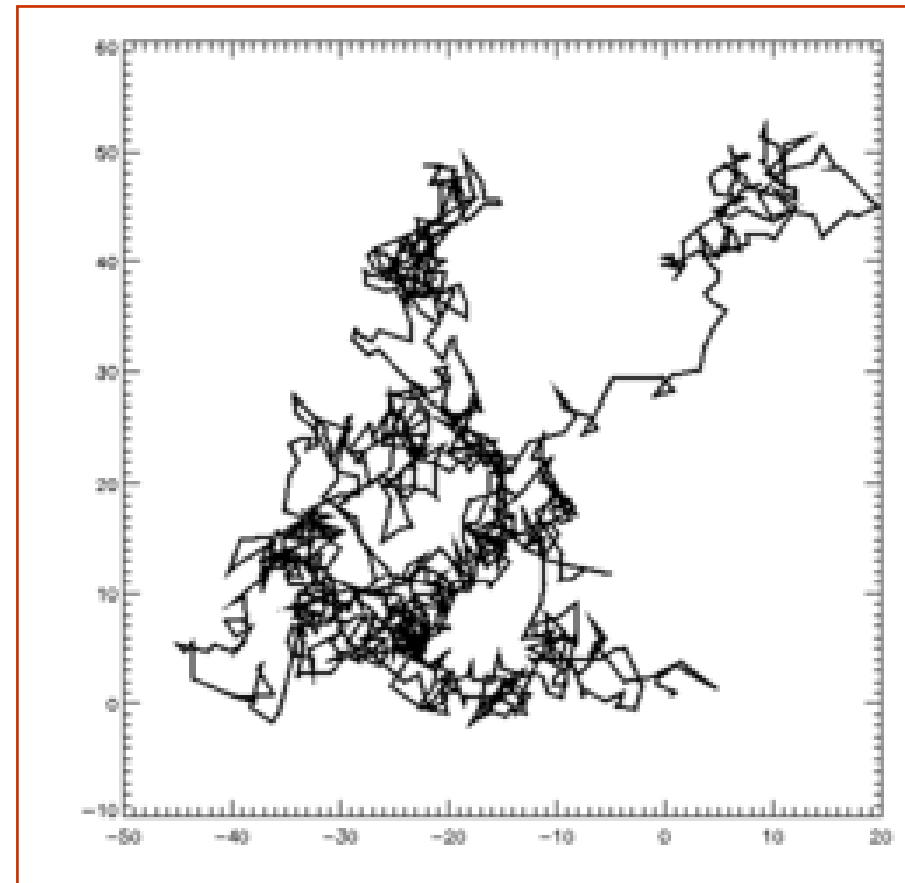
Gases in the atmosphere might increase the surface temperature of the Earth, this effect was later called greenhouse effect.

Established the concept of planetary energy balance: That planets obtain energy from number of sources that causes temperature increase. Planets also lose energy by infrared radiation with the rate increasing with temperature. A balance is reached between heat gain and heat loss; the atmosphere shifts the balance toward the higher temperatures by slowing the heat loss. Although Fourier understood that rate of infrared radiation increases with temperature, the Stefan-Boltzmann law which gives the exact form of this dependency (a fourth-power law) was discovered 50 years later.

Brownian motion

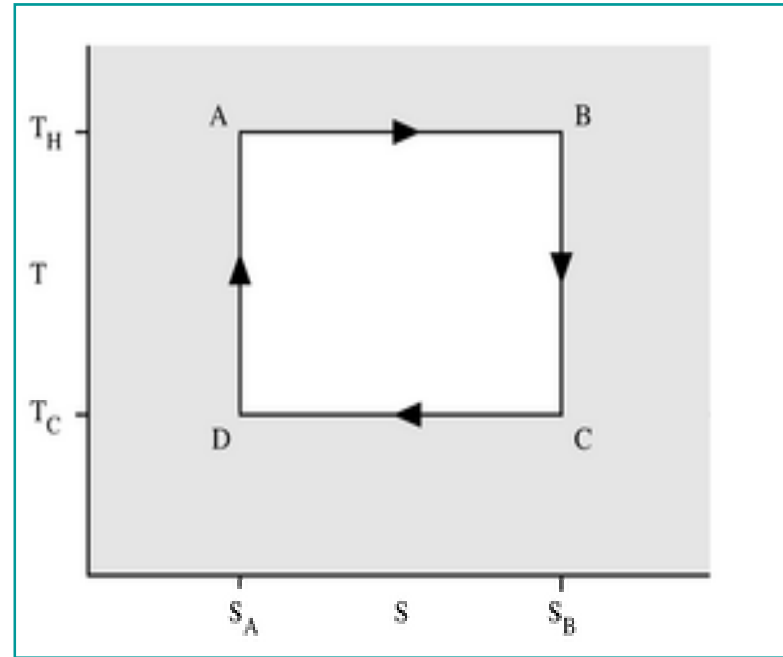


**Robert Brown (1773 – 1858),
British botanist.**



An example of 1000 simulated steps of Brownian motion in two dimensions. The origin of the motion is at $[0,0]$ and the x and y components of each step are independently and normally distributed with variance 2 and mean 0. The mathematical model posits motion in which the steps are not discrete.

Carnot cycle and Carnot heat engine



Nicolas Léonard Sadi Carnot (1796 -- 1832), French physicist and engineer.

Carnot devised an ideal engine in which a gas is allowed to expand to do work, absorbing heat in the process, and is expanded again without transfer of heat but with a temperature drop. The gas is then compressed, heat being given off, and finally it is returned to its original condition by another compression, accompanied by a rise in temperature. This series of operations, known as Carnot's cycle, shows that even under ideal conditions a heat engine cannot convert into mechanical energy all the heat energy supplied to it; some of the heat energy must be rejected. This is an illustration of the second law of thermodynamics. Carnot's work anticipated that of Joule, Kelvin, and others.

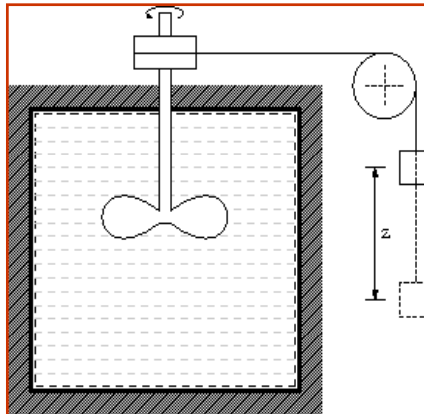


James Prescott Joule (1818 -- 1889), British physicist.

Discovered the first law of thermodynamics, which is a form of the law of conservation of energy.



Determine the relationship between heat energy and mechanical energy (the mechanical equivalent of heat).



"... the mechanical power exerted in turning a magneto-electric machine is converted into the heat evolved by the passage of the currents of induction through its coils; and, on the other hand, that the motive power of the electro-magnetic engine is obtained at the expense of the heat due to the chemical reactions of the battery by which it is worked." (1842)

The mechanical SI unit of work and energy.



Clapeyron equation

$$P \cdot V = n \cdot R \cdot T.$$

Émile Clapeyron (1799 -- 1864), French physicist and engineer.



Hermann Ludwig Ferdinand von Helmholtz (1821 -- 1894), German physicist and physician.

First law of thermodynamics (1847)

$$dU = \bar{d}Q + \bar{d}W,$$

Proposed the idea of “Heat death of the universe” (1854), the “father” of the formal second law of thermodynamics, proposed by Clausius later

$$A = U - TS$$

Helmholtz free energy

A thermodynamic potential which measures the "useful" work obtainable from constant temperature, constant volume thermodynamic systems.

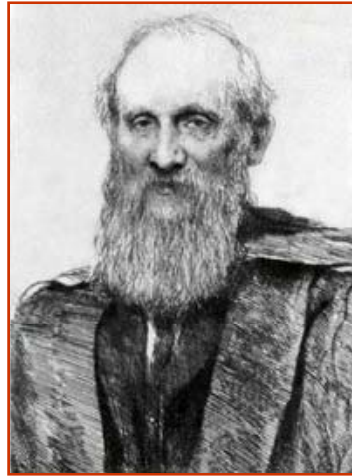
$$dF = -SdT - p dV,$$



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William Thomson (Baron Kelvin) (1824 -- 1907), British physicist and mathematician.

Invented a compass, an instrument for measuring tides and calculating tide tables.



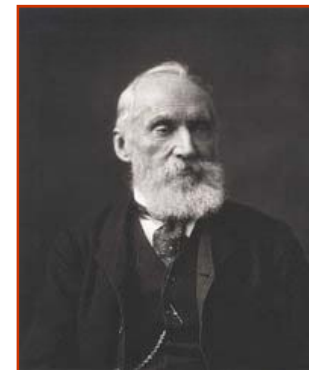
Independently recognized the first and second laws of thermodynamics.

Develop the idea of absolute zero degree in temperature and construct the absolute temperature scale (1848).

Discovered that gases cool when allowed to expand, the Joule-Thomson effect.

Designed a telegraph receiver, called a mirror galvanometer, for use on the cable (1858).

Supervised the laying of a trans-Atlantic cable (1866).





Joseph Stefan (Slovene Jožef Stefan) (1835 -- 1893), Austrian (Slovene) physicist, mathematician and poet.

Stefan-Boltzmann law

$$u = aT^4$$

$$a = \frac{8\pi^5 k^4}{15c^3 h^3}$$

Wien coefficient

Stefan constant

$$\sigma = ac^4$$



Ludwig Boltzmann, (1844 -
- 1906), Austrian physicist.

Boltzmann equation

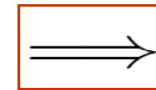
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}}{m} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \cdot \mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \Big|_{\text{coll}}$$

Boltzmann constant

$$k = 1.3807 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$$

Boltzmann's H theorem

$$H \equiv \int P \log P d^3 \vec{v}; \quad S = -Nk_B H.$$



$$\Delta S \geq 0$$

Stefan-Boltzmann law

$$u = aT^4$$

$$f_{\mathbf{v}}(v_x, v_y, v_z) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{m}{2\pi kT}\right)^3} \exp\left[\frac{-m(v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2)}{2kT}\right], \quad (8)$$

Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution



Wilhelm Wien (1864 – 1928), German physicist.



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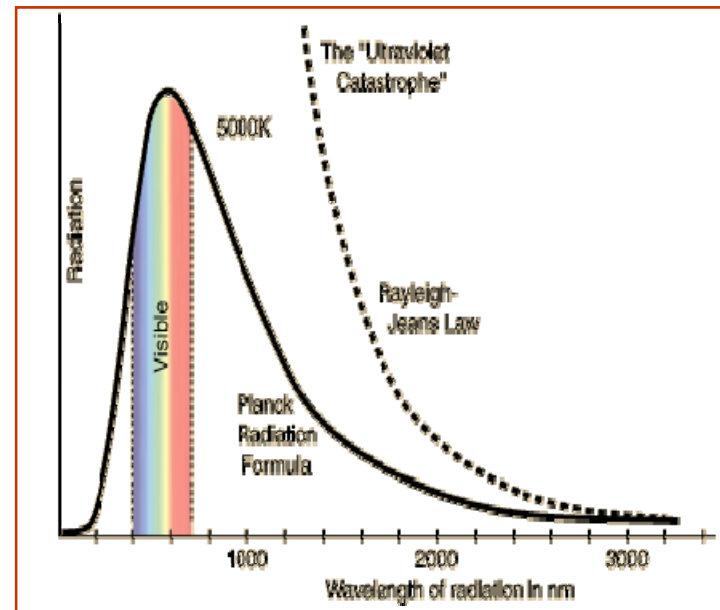
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$$u_\nu d\nu \propto \nu^3 e^{-c_2/\lambda T} d\nu.$$

Wien's Displacement Law

$$\lambda_{max} = \frac{2.898 \dots \times 10^6 \text{ nm} \cdot \text{K}}{T}$$

$$u_\nu d\nu = \nu^3 \phi \left(\frac{\nu}{T} \right) d\nu,$$

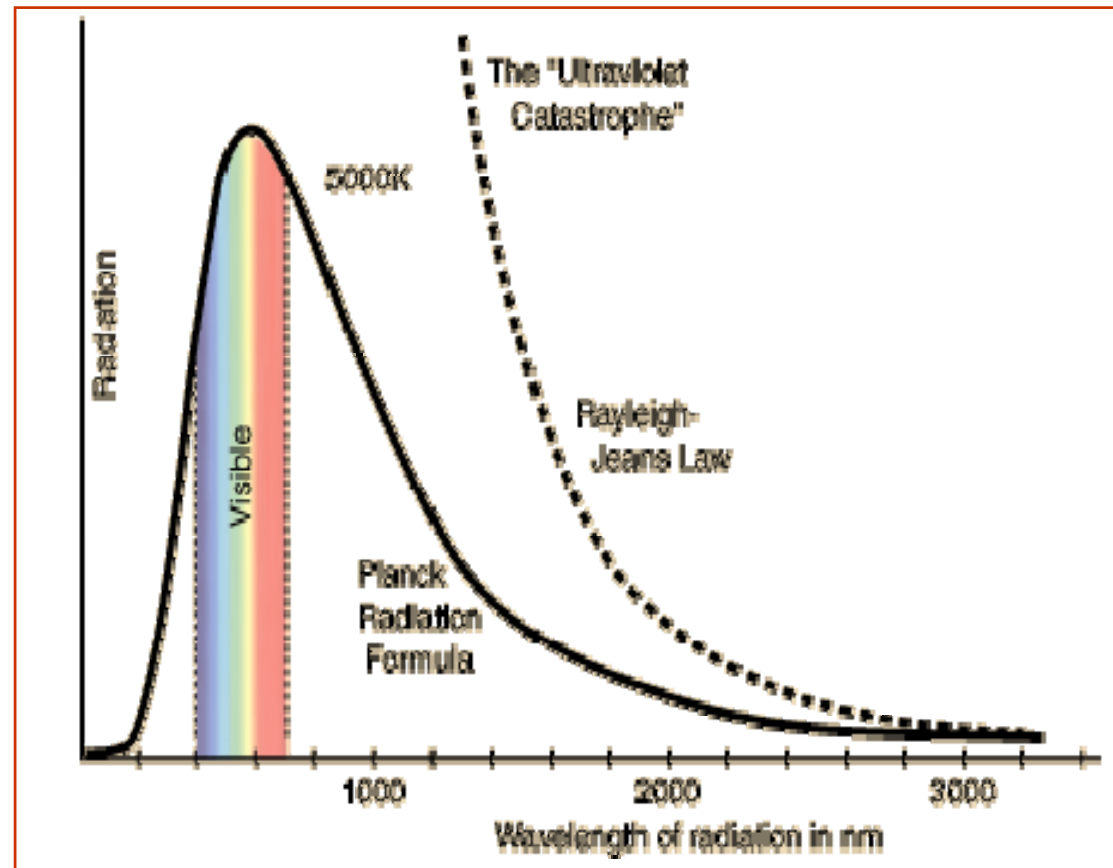


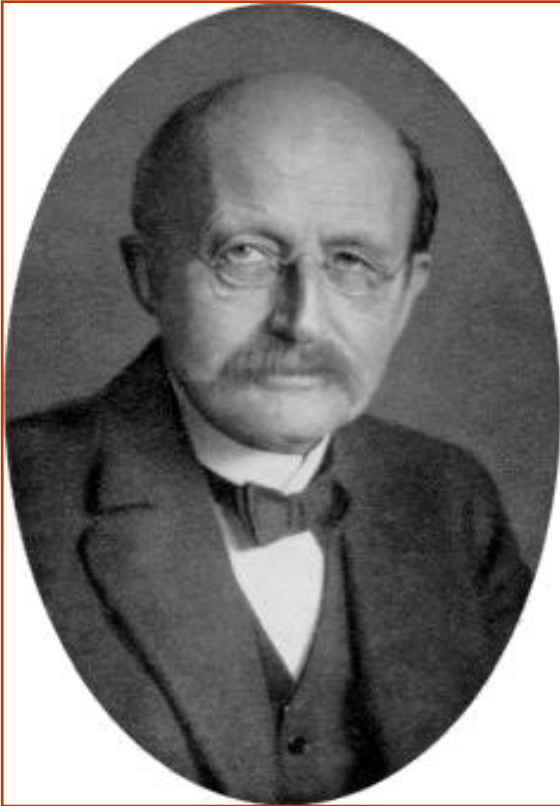


The Right Honourable,
John William Strutt, 3rd
Baron Rayleigh (1842 —
1919), British physicist.

Rayleigh-Jeans law

$$u_\nu d\nu = \frac{8\pi\nu^2}{c^3} k_B T d\nu,$$



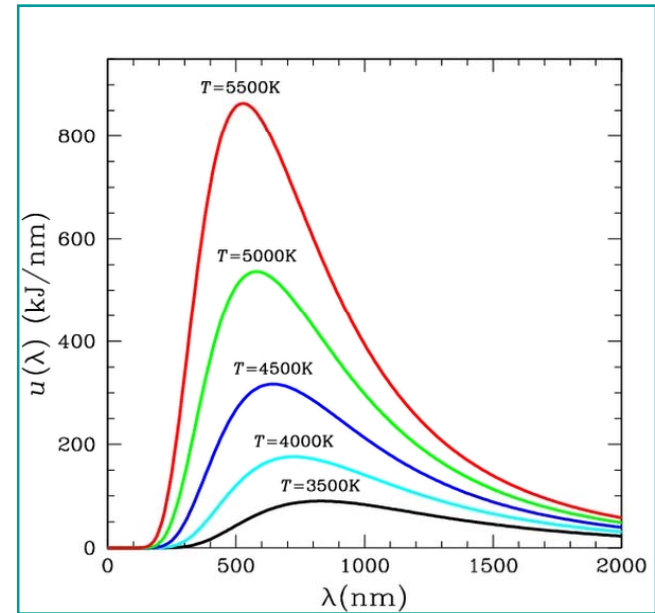


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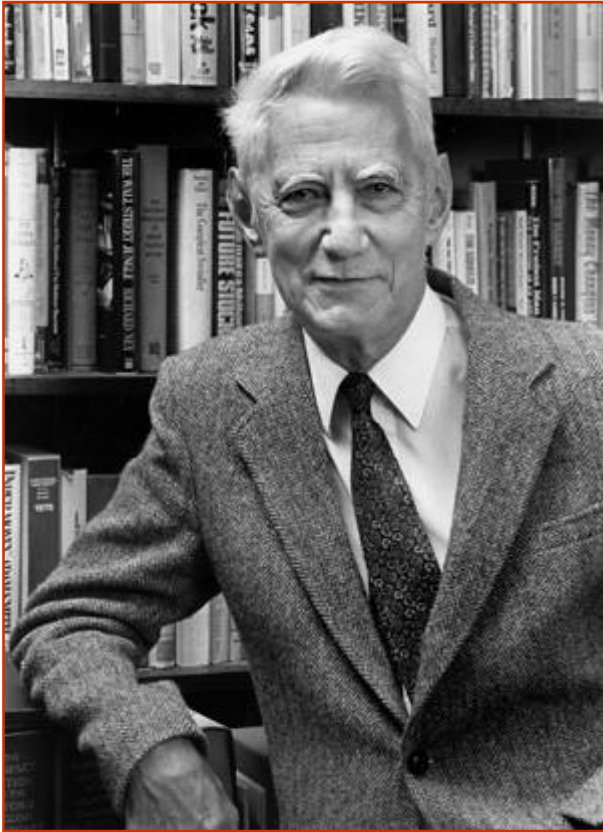
$$u(\nu, T) = \frac{8\pi h\nu^3}{c^3} \frac{1}{e^{\frac{h\nu}{kT}} - 1}$$

$$u(\lambda, T) = \frac{8\pi hc}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1}$$

Max Karl Ernst Ludwig Planck (1858 -- 1947), German physicist.

Planck's law of black body radiation (1900)

$$u_\nu d\nu = \frac{8\pi\nu^2}{c^3} \frac{h\nu}{e^{h\nu/K_B T} - 1} d\nu$$



Information theory

Claude Elwood Shannon (1916 -- 2001), American applied mathematician and electrical engineer, is called the father of information science.

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