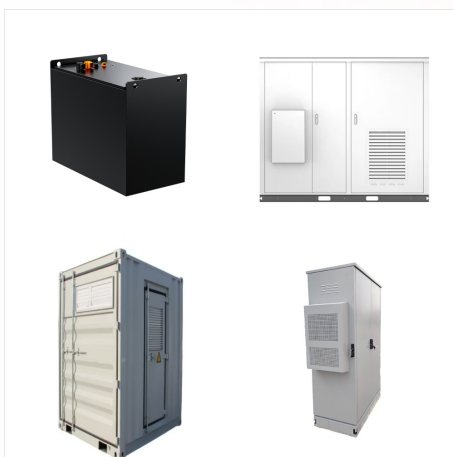


On average, astronomers estimate it takes the sun roughly 250 million years to orbit the center of the Milky Way. Since the sun is 4.5 billion years old, it has gone around the Milky Way 18 times. Interestingly, the sun does not just travel along a circular path. Rather, as the sun orbits the galactic center, it is also moving up and down.



One AU is the average distance between Earth and the Sun and is approximately equal to  $1.5 \times 10^8$  kilometers. In these units,  $P^2 = a^3$ . Kepler's third law applies to all objects orbiting the Sun, including Earth, and provides a means for calculating their relative distances from the Sun from the time they take to orbit.



You get this disk of gas and dust orbiting the Sun. JOE: As this gas goes around and starts orbiting the sun, you end up getting like clumps, right, some of the perturbations, as they come together, turn into these larger perturbations, you know, larger fluctuations, larger changes in that local gravity, things start to collect together and stick.



Euler diagram showing the types of bodies orbiting the Sun. The following is a list of Solar System objects by orbit, ordered by increasing distance from the Sun. Most named objects in this list have a diameter of 500 km or more. The Sun, a spectral class G2V main-sequence star; The inner Solar System and the terrestrial planets. Mercury. Mercury-crossing minor planets



Distance from the Sun: mil. km Orbital speed: km/s  
Solar energy: W/m<sup>2</sup>. Solar energy includes all electromagnetic solar radiation which, at a given distance from the Sun, falls on an 1 m<sup>2</sup> area perpendicular to the Sun's rays. Using mouse you can move in space and rotate the scene. (c) V?clav ??ern?k 2017???2024



One particularly distant body is 90377 Sedna, which was discovered in November 2003 has an extremely eccentric orbit that takes it to an aphelion of 937 AU. [2] It takes over 10,000 years to orbit, and during the next 50 years it will slowly move closer to the Sun as it comes to perihelion at a distance of 76 AU from the Sun. [3] Sedna is the largest known sednoid, a class of objects ???



The largest objects that orbit the Sun are the eight planets. In order from the Sun, they are four terrestrial planets (Mercury, Venus, Earth and Mars); two gas giants (Jupiter and Saturn); and two ice giants (Uranus and Neptune). All terrestrial ???



The Sun is about 93 million miles (150 million kilometers) from Earth. Its nearest stellar neighbor is the Alpha Centauri triple star system: red dwarf star Proxima Centauri is 4.24 light-years away, and Alpha Centauri A and B ??? two sunlike ???



NASA launched a series of eight orbiting observatories known as the Orbiting Solar Observatory between 1962 and 1971. Seven of them were successful, and analyzed the sun at ultraviolet and X-ray



NARRATOR: Earth experiences two different motions, rotation and revolution. Earth spins on its axis, and it takes one day to do so. In one day Earth makes one rotation on its axis. Earth also travels on an elliptical orbit around the Sun. And it takes one year to make a complete ???



But since then we have discovered already more than 5,000 planets orbiting stars other than our sun (so-called exoplanets). And since often we find multiple of them orbiting the same star, we can



Kepler's third law implies that the greater the distance of a planet from the Sun, the longer the period of that planet's orbit around the Sun. Thus, Mercury ??? the planet closest to the Sun ??? makes an orbit every 88 days. By contrast, Saturn, the sixth planet in the solar system from the Sun, will take as many as 10,759 days to do so.



The Solar System was formed from a rotating cloud of gas and dust which spun around a newly forming star, our Sun, at its center. The planets all formed from this spinning disk-shaped cloud, and continued this rotating course around the Sun after they were formed. The gravity of the Sun keeps the planets in their orbits.



? solar system, assemblage consisting of the Sun???an average star in the Milky Way Galaxy???and those bodies orbiting around it: 8 (formerly 9) planets with more than 210 known planetary satellites (moons); many asteroids, some with their own satellites; comets and other icy bodies; and vast reaches of highly tenuous gas and dust known as the interplanetary medium.



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A star that hosts planets orbiting around it is called a planetary system, or a stellar system, if more than two stars are present. Our planetary system is called the Solar System, referencing the name of our Sun, and it hosts eight planets.. The eight planets in our Solar System, in order from the Sun, are the four terrestrial planets Mercury, Venus, Earth, and ???



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It turns out that we all travel around the sun in a counterclockwise manner, but there's nothing inherently special about that. For example, the exoplanet Kepler-2b, a gas giant orbiting a