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RECOMMENDED VALUES OF STANDARD FREQUENCIES FOR APPLICATIONS INCLUDING THE PRACTICAL REALIZATION OF THE METRE AND SECONDARY REPRESENTATIONS OF THE DEFINITION OF THE SECOND

YTTERBIUM 171 ATOM ($f \approx 518$ THz)

^{171}Yb neutral atom, $6s^2\ 1\text{S}_0 - 6s6p\ 3\text{P}_0$ unperturbed optical transition

1. Recommended value [1] of the frequency

$$f(^{171}\text{Yb}) = 518\ 295\ 836\ 590\ 865.0 \text{ Hz}$$

equivalent to

$$\lambda(^{171}\text{Yb}) = 578\ 419\ 575.916\ 161 \text{ fm},$$

with a relative uncertainty of 2.7×10^{-15} .

This radiation was endorsed as a secondary representation of the definition of the second.

2. Source data

$$\text{Adopted value} \quad f(^{171}\text{Yb}) = 518\ 295\ 836\ 590\ 865.0 \text{ Hz} \quad u_{\text{c}}/y = 2.7 \times 10^{-15}$$

calculated from

$f(^{171}\text{Yb}) / \text{Hz}$	u / Hz	source data
518 295 836 590 864	28	[2]
518 295 836 590 863.1	2.0	[3]
518 295 836 590 865.2	0.7	[4]

by a weighted mean.

Given the small number of measurements the CCTF considered it prudent to estimate a relative standard uncertainty of 2.7×10^{-15} .

3. References

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