

(12.1) (a) What is the most probable kinetic energy of a hydrogen atom at the interior of the sun ( $T=1.5 \cdot 10^7$  K)? (b) What fraction of the particles would have energies in excess of 100 keV?

$$T_{sun} := 1.5 \cdot 10^7 \cdot K \quad k := 1.38066 \cdot 10^{-23} \cdot \text{joule} \cdot K^{-1} \quad eV := 1.6021773 \cdot 10^{-19} \cdot \text{joule}$$

$$(a) \quad E_{kin} := \frac{3 \cdot k \cdot T_{sun}}{2} \quad E_{kin} = 3.106 \cdot 10^{-16} \cdot \text{joule} \quad E_{kin} = 1.939 \cdot 10^3 \cdot eV$$

(b) 1000 times the lower limit is enough to neglect the value above that limit (the integrated function becomes practically zero).

$$E_{100} := 100 \cdot 10^3 \cdot eV$$

$$E_{hi} := 1000 \cdot E_{100}$$

$$x_{above} := \int_{E_{100}}^{E_{hi}} \sqrt{E} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E}{k \cdot T_{sun}}\right) \cdot \left[\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right] \cdot (k \cdot T_{sun})^{-\frac{3}{2}} \alpha E \quad x_{above} = 1.842 \cdot 10^{-30}$$