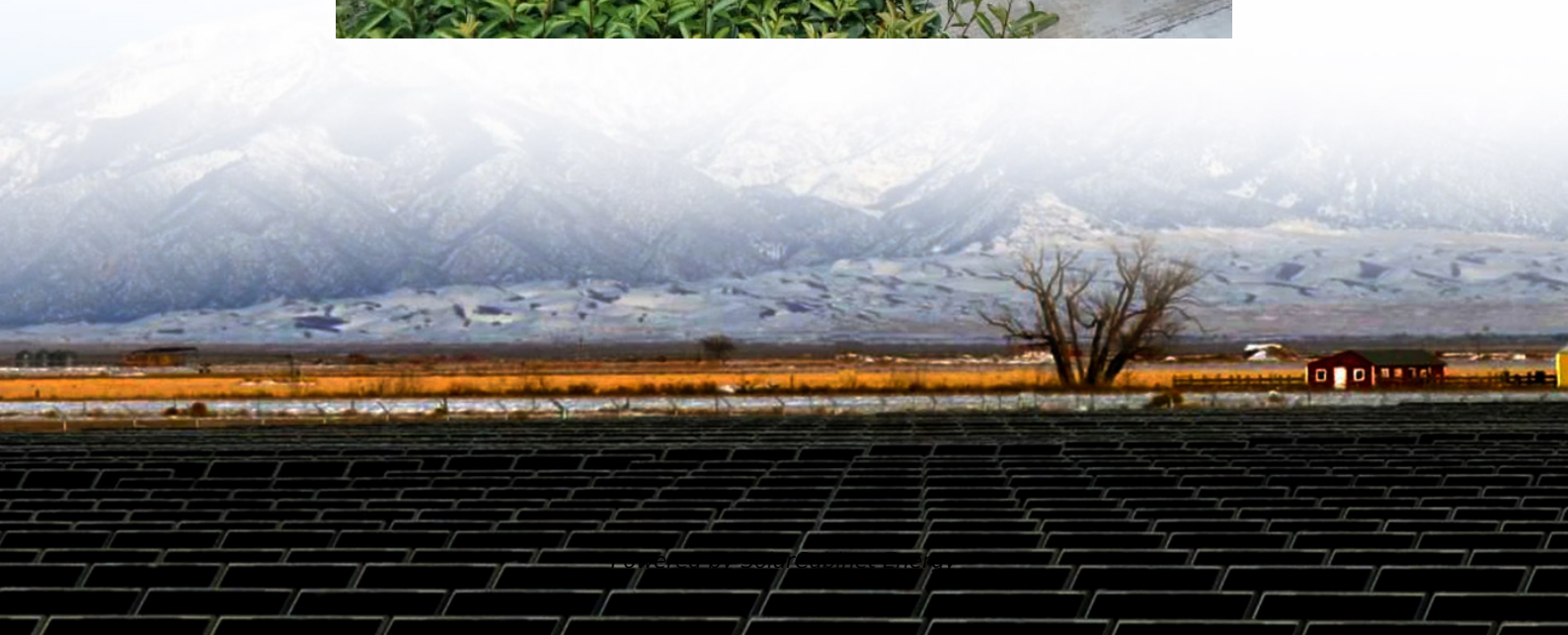


Solar system slowdown





Overview

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Why does the Solar System spin so slowly?

Now, scientists may know why. The solar system, not to scale. (Image credit: NASA) The inner solar system spins much more slowly than the laws of modern physics predict, and a new study may help to explain why. A thin disk of gas and dust — known as an accretion disk — spirals around young stars.

How does solar mass loss affect planets?

Solar mass-loss will slow all planetary orbits, uniformly slowing the time scale of change in the Solar System. The mass-loss will also reduce Solar perturbations on planets and in relative terms increase perturbations by planets on the Sun and on each other.

How fast has our planet slowed over the past 4.5 billion years?

Over the 4.5 billion year history of the Solar System, extrapolating from our previous math, our planet has slowed by approximately 10 meters-per-second, or about 22 miles-per-hour. When we place the known objects in the Solar System in order, four inner, rocky worlds and four, . More outer, giant worlds stand out.

How fast does the Earth slow down?

With each year that goes by, the Earth slows down by approximately 3 nanometers-per-second over how quickly it was moving the prior year. Over the 4.5 billion year history of the Solar System, extrapolating from our previous math, our planet has slowed by approximately 10 meters-per-second, or about 22 miles-per-hour.

Does the inner Solar System spin fast?



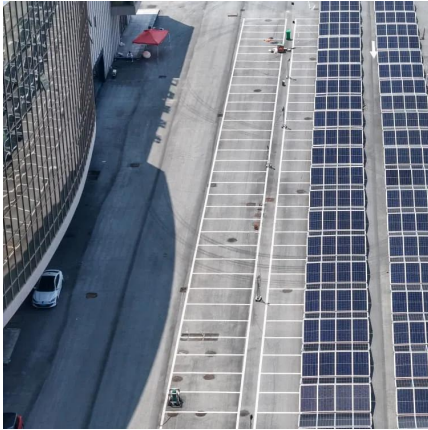
However, previous observations have shown that the inner solar system — the region of the solar system that extends from the sun to the asteroid belt and includes the terrestrial planets — does not spin as fast as predicted by the law of conservation of angular momentum.

What happens if the Sun dies?

“From a habitability standpoint, that’s kind of the end of the solar system,” said Alan Stern, a planetary scientist at NASA, emphasizing that the habitability of our solar system will come to an abrupt end with the death of the Sun. After the Sun exhausts its hydrogen, it will enter the final phase of its evolution: the white dwarf stage.



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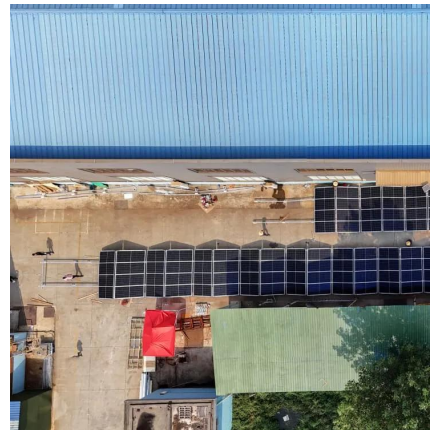
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So as far as I can tell from various diagrams and illustrations of our solar system, our solar system is always displayed as flat (think of Saturn with its rings and the sun with its planets orbiting). ...



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