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shall also quote from (Landolt-Börnstein, 1984, p. 88) the following numerical values corresponding to a piecewise polynomial representation

$$\rho = a_0 + a_1\beta + a_2\beta^2 + a_3\beta^3 \quad , \tag{1-91}$$

where

$$\beta = \frac{r}{R} \tag{1-92}$$

is the normalized radius vector, increasing from 0 (geocenter) to 1 (earth's surface); it is clear that all models for the earth's interior here are spherical. The density ρ is in g/cm³.