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Section 1 - Data & Equations

Solar mass: $1M_{\odot} = 1.98 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$

Solar radius: $1R_{\odot} = 6.9 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$

$R_{\text{earth}} \sim \frac{1}{100} R_{\odot}$

$R_{\text{jup}} \sim \frac{1}{10} R_{\odot}$

Astronomical unit = earth-Sun distance: $1 \text{ au} = 1.5 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$

parsec: $1 \text{ pc} = 3.09 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}$

Arc-Second: $1'' = \frac{1}{3600} \text{ degrees}$

$t_0 = H_0^{-1} = 13.6 \text{ Gyr}$

Conversions

$1 \text{ ly} = c \times 3600 \times 24 \times 365 \text{ m}$

$1 \text{ pc} = \frac{1 \text{ au}}{1''}$

Equations:

For $\delta < \phi$:

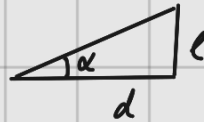
$$\text{alt}_{\text{max}} = 90^\circ + \delta - \phi$$

For $\delta > \phi$:

$$\text{alt}_{\text{max}} = 90^\circ - \delta + \phi$$

$$\alpha = \ell/d$$

for $d \gg \ell$ and d in rad.



$$d = \frac{r_E}{p} = \frac{1 \text{ AU}}{p}$$

d = distance from sun to star
 p = parallax angle

$$f = \frac{L}{4\pi d^2}$$

d = distance to source L = luminosity of object
 f = flux = power per unit area

$$m_2 - m_1 = -2.5 \log_{10} \left(\frac{f_2}{f_1} \right)$$

m_n = magnitude of Star n

f_n = flux of Star n

$$m = -2.5 \log_{10} \left(\frac{f}{f_{\text{vega}}} \right)$$

$$m - M = 5 \log_{10} \left(\frac{d}{10 \text{ pc}} \right)$$

m = apparent magnitude

M = absolute magnitude

$$\text{magnifying power} = \frac{\pi S_B}{4} \left(\frac{f}{D} \right)^{-2}$$

S_B = Surface brightness (flux per angle²)

f = lens focal length

D = lens/mirror diameter

$$\alpha_{\text{min}} = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{D}$$

D = circular telescope diameter

α_{min} = angular resolution (radians)

$$\frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} = \frac{f_1}{f_2}$$

f_n = focal length of lens n

α_n = angle between \perp axis of lens and light

α_1/α_2 = angular magnification

$$B_\lambda = \frac{2\pi h c^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{\exp(hc/\lambda k_B T) - 1}$$

B_λ = power per wavelength

$$\lambda_{\text{max}} T = 2.898 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mK}$$

$$J = \sigma T^4$$

J = Power per unit area

$$L = 4\pi R^2 \sigma T^4$$

L = Luminosity of spherical black body

$$m_1 r_1 = m_2 r_2$$

← For binary star system
 $R = r_1 + r_2$

$$F = \frac{G m_1 m_2}{R^2}$$

$$a = \omega^2 r$$

Kepler's third Law:

$$\omega^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{P} = \frac{G(m_1 + m_2)}{R^3}$$

$$\lambda = \lambda_0 \left(1 + \frac{v}{c} \cos \theta\right) = \lambda_0 \left(1 + \frac{v_R}{c}\right)$$

v_R = radial velocity

$$v_R = v \cos \theta$$

$$\Delta \alpha = \frac{4GM}{c^2 r}$$

r = distance between light and mass
 $\Delta \alpha$ = angle of deflection

$$\Theta_E = \sqrt{\frac{4GM}{Dc^2}}$$

Θ_E = Einstein Ring radius
 D = Distance to object
($2D$ = distance to light source)

$$T = \left(\frac{L_\odot}{16\pi\sigma d^2}\right)^{1/4}$$

d = distance to Sun

T = Temperature of object in Solar System

$$\delta = \frac{\pi R_p^2}{\pi R_s^2} = \left(\frac{R_p}{R_s}\right)^2$$

(For an exoplanet at $i=90^\circ$ crossing its host star)

R = radius of planet / star

δ = depth of transit

$$D = \frac{P}{\pi} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{R_p + R_s}{a} \right)$$

$D =$ transit duration
 $a =$ orbital radius

$$P_c = \int \frac{GM}{R} = \frac{3}{4\pi} \frac{GM^2}{R^4}$$

$P_c =$ Central pressure

$$P = n_d k_B T = \frac{n N_A}{V} k_B T = \frac{\rho k_B T}{\mu}$$

$n_d =$ number density of particles
 $\mu =$ mass per unit particle

$$k_B T_c = \frac{GM\mu}{R}$$

$T_c =$ Central temperature
 $\mu =$ mass per unit particle

$$t = \frac{E}{L}$$

$t =$ lifetime of Star
 $E =$ total energy available
 $L =$ luminosity

$$t \propto \frac{1}{M^3}$$

$$E_d = \frac{p^2}{2m} = \frac{h^2 n_e^{2/3}}{2m_e}$$

$E_d =$ degeneracy energy
 $n_e =$ electron number density

$$R_s = \frac{2GM}{c^2}$$

$R_s =$ Schwarzschild radius

$$\rho_c = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G}$$

$$M = \frac{v^2 R}{G}$$

$M =$ mass interior to Star's orbit
 $v =$ velocity of Star
 $R =$ radius of Star in galaxy

$\rho_c =$ density of universe

$$v = H_0 d$$

$v =$ recession speed
 $H_0 =$ Hubble constant
 $d =$ distance to galaxy

$$v = cz$$

$v =$ recession velocity

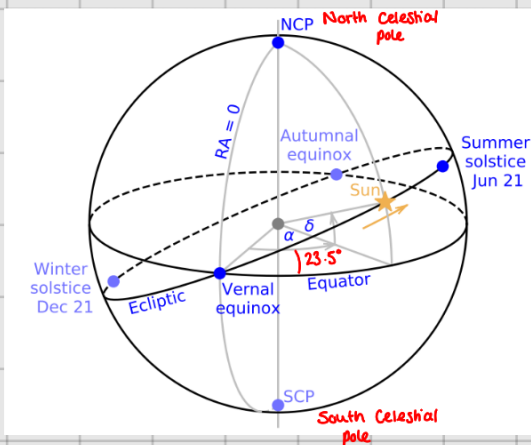
Definitions

- > Altitude - Angle of an object above observer's horizon
- > Azimuth - Angle of object measured from North around the horizon
- > Meridian - Imaginary line in sky running North \rightarrow South
- > Obliquity - Angle between a planet's Spin axis and orbital axes (Earth = 23.5)
- > Sidereal day - Time taken for Earth to rotate once relative to "fixed" stars
- > Solar day - Time taken for Earth to rotate relative to the Sun
- > Synodic day - 'Solar day' but for any planet
- > Zenith - point directly above an observer
- > flux - power per unit area as seen by an observer
- > Absolute magnitude (M) - The magnitude of an object if it was at a distance of 10pc
- > angular resolution - The smallest angle between 2 stars where one can distinguish them as 2
- > Seeing - Turbulence in Earth's atmosphere blurs images of astronomical objects for ground-based telescopes
- > Astrometry - The measurement of the positions, motions and magnitudes of stars

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Section 2 - The Celestial Sphere

- A way of mapping the position and movement of stars and planets using a reference grid



RA = Right ascension (vertical)

0 \rightarrow 360° or 0 \rightarrow 24h

Dec = Declination (horizontal)

- Celestial Sphere rotates once per day
- The Sun moves along the ecliptic (full circle across 1 year)
 - Ecliptic offset by 23.5°

Vernal equinox

- RA = 0, Dec = 0
- Sun rises due East at 6am, Sets due West at 6pm
- \sim 21st March

Summer Solstice

- RA = 90, Dec = 23.5°
- Sun hits peak of ecliptic \rightarrow longest day of the year
- \sim 21st June

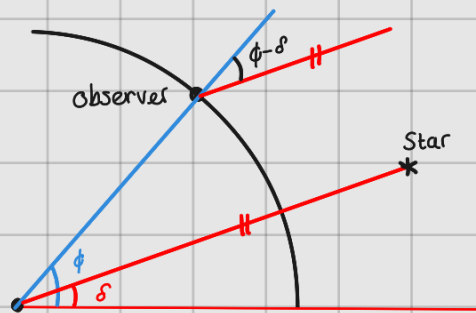
Autumn Equinox

- RA = 180 Dec = 0
- Sun rises due East and sets due West
- ~23rd September

Winter Solstice

- RA = 270° Dec = -23.5°
- Sun reaches lowest point in ecliptic → Shortest day of year

↳ Seasons reversed for Southern hemisphere



δ = declination

ϕ = latitude of observer

> Altitude, a - Angle of an object above observer's horizon

> Azimuth - Angle of an object measured from north around the horizon (N=0°, E=90°, S=180°, W=270°)

↳ horizon coordinates

> Meridian - N-S line for observer

• The star above reaching its highest point in the sky crossing the meridian

For $\delta < \phi$:

$$\text{alt}_{\max} = 90^\circ + \delta - \phi$$

For $\delta > \phi$:

$$\text{alt}_{\max} = 90^\circ - \delta + \phi$$

> Solar / synodic day - time for 1 day measured by the Sun crossing the meridian

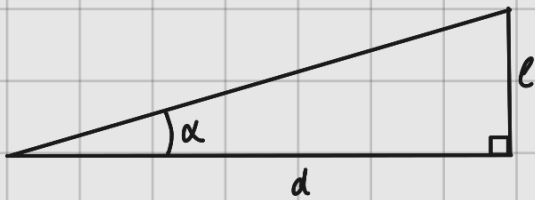
- 24h → 365 solar days in a year

- > Sidereal day - time taken for 1 day measured by Earth's rotation to 'fixed' stars
 - $23^h 56^m$
 - Increasing with time as Earth's spin period slows over time
- Sumerian Calendar had 12^m of 30^d with leap month every ~4^y
- Julian calendar had 365^d + leap day every 4^y
- Gregorian calendar skips leap years

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Section 3 - Angles and Parallax

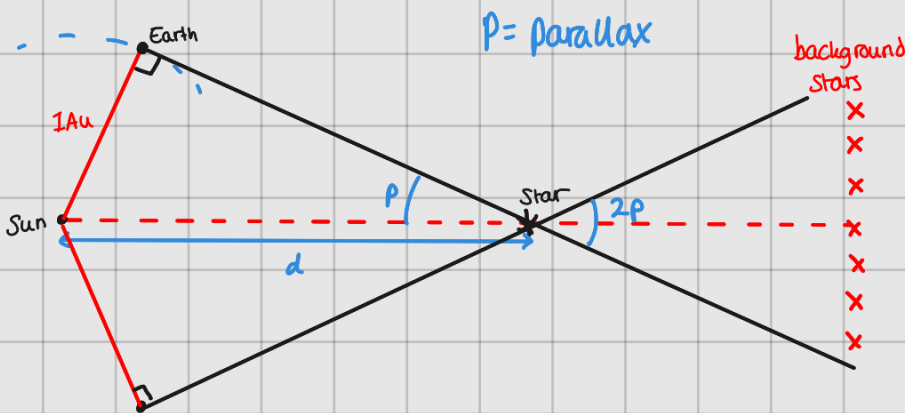
$$1 \text{ arcsecond} = 1'' = \frac{1}{3600}^\circ \quad 1^\circ = 3600''$$



$$\tan \alpha = e/d$$

For $d \gg e$: $\alpha = e/d$ with α in radians

Parallax



As the earth is moving around the Sun, the positions of stars move slightly each year

- A target star is observed 2 times, 6^m apart when the Earth-Sun vector is perpendicular to the target
- If the total change in angular position is $2p$, the distance from the Sun to the star is

$$d = \frac{r_E}{p} = \frac{1 \text{ AU}}{p}$$

d = distance from Sun to star $d \gg 1 \text{ au}$
 p = parallax angle

> parsec - Parallax of 1 arcsecond

$$1 \text{ pc} = \frac{1 \text{ au}}{1''} = \frac{1.5 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}}{(\frac{1}{3600})^\circ \times \frac{\pi}{180}} = 3.094 \times 10^{16} \text{ m} = 3.27 \text{ ly}$$

Proper Motion

> Proper motion - fixed stars show motion over many years

→ measurements need to be made over a number of years to separate proper motion and parallax

Proper motion $\equiv \mu$ measured in milli-arcseconds/year

Represented as μ_{RA} and μ_{Dec}

- To get 3D space velocity, radial velocity would need to be measured too

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Section 4 - Fluxes and Magnitudes

Flux

- > Luminosity - power of an object (w)
- > Flux - power per unit area as seen by an observer

$$f = \frac{L}{4\pi d^2}$$

d = distance to source

Magnitudes

- Stars catalogued from brightest ($m=1$) to dimmest ($m=6$)
- Due to logarithmic eye, $1.5 \text{ mag} = \downarrow \times 100 \text{ flux}$

For 2 Stars:

$$m_2 - m_1 = -2.5 \log_{10} \left(\frac{f_2}{f_1} \right)$$

- Each star has an 'apparent magnitude' relative to Vega ($m_v = 0$)

$$m = -2.5 \log_{10} \left(\frac{f}{f_{\text{vega}}} \right)$$

- > Absolute magnitude (M) - The magnitude of an object if it was at a distance of 10 pc

$$m - M = 5 \log_{10} \left(\frac{d}{10 \text{ pc}} \right)$$

m = apparent magnitude

M = absolute magnitude

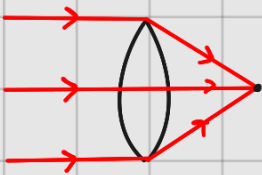
- Humans can see to +6 magnitudes with the naked eye

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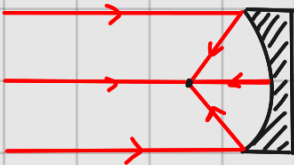
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- 'Light' gathering power is proportional to area used to collect light
- Telescopes increase light gathering power, magnify light flux and angular resolution

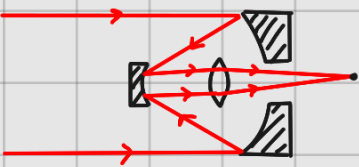
Telescopes



- Refracting telescopes use a lens to focus light
 - Simple and cheap if small



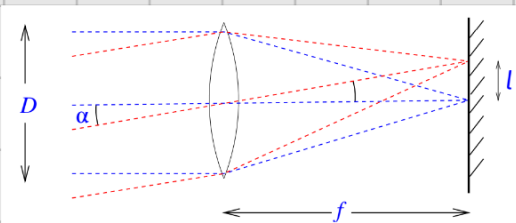
- Reflecting telescopes use a parabolic mirror



- Combination telescopes use both mirrors and lenses

Cameras

- Simple refracting telescopes can be thought of as cameras



- Rays through lens' centre pass unchanged
- Parallel incident rays meet at focal point

$$l = \alpha f \text{ from small angle approx.}$$

- S_B = Surface brightness - flux per angle squared
- D = diameter of telescope mirror/lens

$$\text{Power into telescope} = \frac{S_B \alpha^2 \pi D^2}{4}$$

$$\text{Power per unit area} = \frac{S_B \alpha^2 \pi D^2}{4 \ell^2} = \frac{S_B \alpha^2 \pi D}{4 f^2 \alpha^2} = \frac{S_B \pi}{4} \left(\frac{f}{D} \right)^{-2}$$

focal ratio $\frac{f}{D}$

$$\text{Magnifying power} = \frac{\pi S_B}{4} \left(\frac{f}{D} \right)^{-2}$$

- Telescopes have low focal ratios \rightarrow fast optics

Angular Magnification

• Diffraction in telescopes limits angular resolution

> angular resolution - The smallest angle between 2 stars where one can distinguish them as 2

$$\alpha_{\min} = 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{D}$$

D = circular telescope diameter

α_{\min} = angular resolution (radians)

> Seeing - Turbulence in Earth's atmosphere blurs images of astronomical objects for ground-based telescopes

↳ depends on light path through atmosphere

• "Adaptive optics" can compensate for seeing using deformable mirrors

• A telescope with an eyepiece provides angular magnification

$$\frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} = \frac{f_1}{f_2}$$

f_n = focal length of lens n

α_n = angle between \perp axis of lens and light

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Section 6 - Black Bodies and Colours

Black-bodies

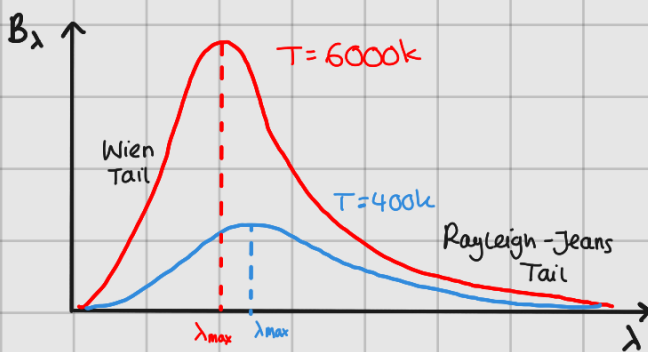
- > Black body - a perfect emitter and absorber of radiation
↳ Absorbs all radiation incident and emits all radiation contained

Planck's equation for blackbody radiation

$$B_{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi h c^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{\exp(hc/\lambda k_B T) - 1}$$

B_{λ} = power per wavelength

$B_{\lambda}(\lambda) d\lambda$ represents power per unit area emitted between wavelengths λ and $\lambda + d\lambda$



→ Steep cutoff as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ - Wien's Tail

→ Slow decrease as $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ - Rayleigh-Jeans Tail

• As $T \uparrow$, $B_{\lambda} \uparrow$ for all wave lengths

$$\lambda_{\text{max}} T = 2.898 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mK}$$

$$J = \sigma T^4$$

J = Power per unit area

$$L = 4\pi R^2 \sigma T^4$$

L = Luminosity of Spherical black body

Colours

- Temperatures of astronomical objects are measured by measuring flux over a range of wavelengths
 - ↳ colour filters applied
- The difference in magnitude between 2 filters X and Y , m_x and m_y , is directly related to the flux ratio f_x/f_y
- Filters are described by letters UBVRI (ultraviolet, blue, visible, red, infrared)
- A star with magnitude $m_B = B = 12.34$ and $m_V = V = 11.67$ will have a colour index $B-V = +0.67$
- Vega is used as a calibration point as $B-V = 0$
 - Stars with $B-V > 0$ are cooler than Vega
 - Stars with $B-V < 0$ are hotter than Vega

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Section 7 - Astronomical Masses

- Binary Stars provide a method for measuring mass, as $F_{12} = F_{21}$

1. $F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{R^2}$

2. $m_1 r_1 = m_2 r_2$ $R = r_1 + r_2$

3. $a = \omega^2 r$ $\omega = \text{angular velocity}$

By equating $F = ma = m\omega^2 r$ to $G \frac{m_1 m_2}{R^2}$, an equation for angular velocity can be derived to be

$$\omega^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{P} = \frac{G(m_1 + m_2)}{R^3}$$

- "Visual binaries" are binary star systems that can be spatially resolved for both stars
 - ↳ Most binary stars are not this
- Spectroscopic binaries can be observed through 2 sets of spectra
 - Doppler Shift used to determine star velocity
- For an object with speed v at angle θ to our line of sight:
 - $\theta = 0^\circ$ is moving away, $\theta = 180^\circ$ = moving towards

$$\lambda = \lambda_0 \left(1 + \frac{v}{c} \cos \theta \right) = \lambda_0 \left(1 + \frac{v_R}{c} \right)$$

$v_R = \text{radial velocity}$

$$v_R = v \cos \theta$$

For a star in an edge-on orbit

$$V_R = \gamma + V_{orb} \sin(i) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{P} (t - T_0)\right)$$

(ignoring Lorentz factor)

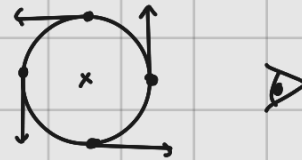
γ = radial velocity of CoM

T_0 = arbitrary reference time

V_{orb} = orbital speed

i = orbital inclination

- For eclipsing binaries, $i = 90^\circ$



Gravitational lensing



$\Delta\alpha$ = angle of deflection

• General relativity predicts light will bend in a gravitational field

$$\Delta\alpha = \frac{4GM}{c^2 r}$$

r = distance between light and mass

$\Delta\alpha$ = angle of deflection

- The bending of light rays due to gravity mean that massive objects can act as lenses
- If a foreground massive object lines up perfectly with a light source for an observer, it will bend light
 - observer will see an 'Einstein Ring' of light surrounding the position of the source

$$\theta_E = \sqrt{\frac{4GM}{Dc^2}}$$

θ_E = Einstein Ring radius

D = Distance to object

(2D = distance to light source)

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Section 8 - The Solar System and Exoplanets

Our Solar System

- Sun
 - 4 "Rocky" planets
 - 4 Giant Planets (Ice, gas)
 - Asteroid belt (rocky material)
 - Kuiper belt (icy bodies, source of short period comets, 30-50 Au)
 - Oort cloud (icy bodies, source of long period comets, 50000 Au)
- For an object of radius R , temperature, distance d from the Sun ($d \gg R$), it will appear as a circular disc to the Sun
- Assuming it acts as a blackbody, it absorbs

$$\frac{L_{\odot}}{4\pi d^2} \pi R^2 \quad \rightarrow \text{from } f = \frac{L_{\odot}}{4\pi d^2} \quad \text{flux} = \text{power per unit area}$$

Area

And radiates $4\pi R^2 \sigma T^4 \rightarrow \text{from } L = 4\pi R^2 \sigma T^4$

If in thermal equilibrium: $4\pi R^2 \sigma T^4 = \frac{L_{\odot}}{4\pi d^2} \pi R^2$

$$T = \left(\frac{L_{\odot}}{16\pi \sigma d^2} \right)^{1/4}$$

d = distance to Sun

Inner Planets:

- Core made from metal with Silicate mantle
- Secondary atmospheres due to volcanic activity and comet impacts

Outer Planets:

- Low density, composed of hydrogen, helium
- Core of iron, nickel, silicates
- Atmospheres are primary → formed with the planet
- Have many moons

Comets:

- Icy bodies
- Deliver H_2O and other molecules to planets

The Sun:

- Made up of hydrogen, helium
- Most of the mass of the Solar System
- Formed with planets

Exoplanets

> Exoplanet - planet orbiting another star

↳ Very difficult to detect as they do not emit light

- First known exoplanets found from doppler shift of their host stars

Radial velocity technique:

$M_1 r_1 = M_2 r_2$ Can be used to find the radius of the planet, then $v_1 = r \omega = \frac{2\pi r}{p}$

- Planets can migrate significantly in orbital radius within their Solar system

Transit method:

- If the orbital plane of an exoplanet happens to lie close to edge on ($i=90^\circ$) as seen from Earth, it will 'transit' across the stellar disc
 - Results in apparent flux from the star periodically

The depth of transit, δ , is given by the ratio area of planet to star

$$\delta = \frac{\pi R_p^2}{\pi R_s^2} = \left(\frac{R_p}{R_s}\right)^2$$

R = radius of planet / star
 δ = depth of transit

The duration of transit is given by

$$D = \frac{P}{\pi} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{R_p + R_s}{a} \right)$$

D = transit duration
 a = orbital radius

- > Microlensing - gravitational lensing of stars in our galaxy
 - Sometimes the lensing object can be a star and exoplanet



- ↳ If the lensing star has a planet with orbital radius close to Θ_E , the planet will cause further gravitational lensing
 - Allows us to detect planets at 1-2 AU ← very difficult otherwise

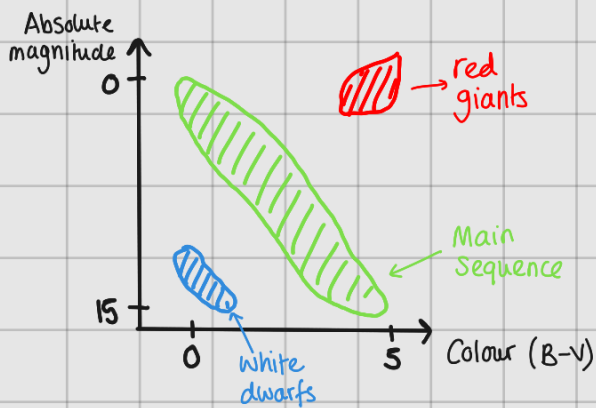
- > Astrometry - The measurement of the positions, motions and magnitudes of stars
- > Direct imaging - Young exoplanets have higher temperatures → more thermal emission → brighter

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Section 9 - Stars

HR Diagrams

- Hertzsprung-Russel diagrams show stars lie in distinct regions of colour and absolute magnitude, and there is correlation between luminosity and temperature



- Main Sequence

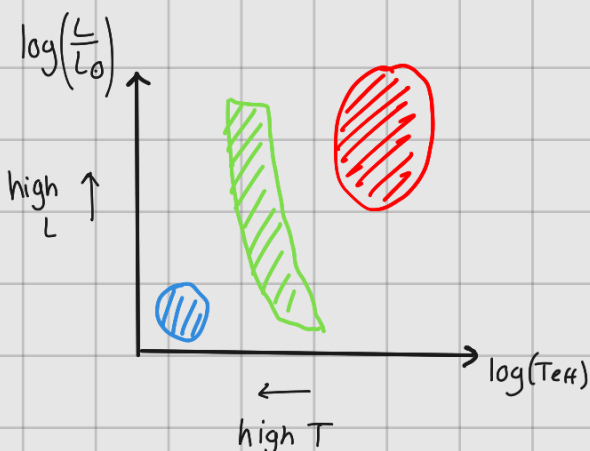
- Hydrogen fused in Star's core
- Most of a Star's lifetime
- $0.1 R_{\odot} \rightarrow 10 R_{\odot}$

- Red giants

- H in core depleted, He fusion begins
- Star expands and outer layer cools
- $10 R_{\odot} \rightarrow 1000 R_{\odot}$

- White dwarfs

- End state of most main sequence stars
- $0.01 R_{\odot} \cong R_e$
- $T_{wd} \sim 25000 \text{ K} \rightarrow 3000 \text{ K}$



Theoretical HR diagrams give L and T

$$L = 4\pi R^2 \sigma T^4$$

Star Clusters

- Useful to study stars as they contain stars of the same age and composition

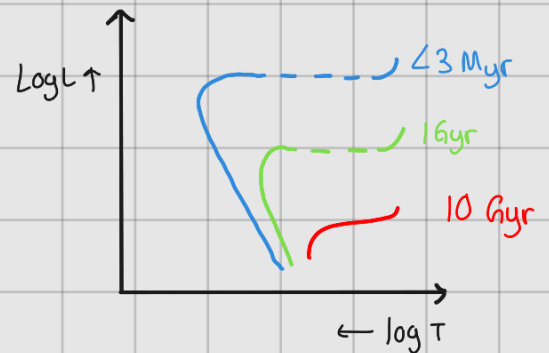
Open clusters (100-1000 stars)

- Found in disk of our galaxy
- All stars very young (1 mil - 1 bil years)

Globular clusters ($10^5 - 10^6$ stars)

- All over the galaxy
- Very old stars (≈ 12 Gyr)

HR Diagram for Star Clusters



Physical Conditions

- Most stars are in hydrostatic equilibrium \rightarrow pressure supports fluid above any point

From $p = \rho g h$, $h = R$ and $g = \frac{GM}{R^2}$ and $\rho = \bar{\rho} = \frac{M}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3}$

$$p_c = \rho \frac{GM}{R} = \frac{3}{4\pi} \frac{GM^2}{R^4} \quad p_c = \text{Central pressure}$$

Assuming $pV = nR_gT$

$$p = \frac{n N_A k_B T}{V} = n_a k_B T = \frac{\rho k_B T}{\mu} \quad \begin{array}{l} n_a = \text{number density of particles} \\ \mu = \text{mass per particle} \end{array}$$

Then using $p_c = \frac{GM\bar{\rho}}{R} = \frac{\bar{\rho} k_B T}{\mu}$ gives

$$k_B T = \frac{GM\mu}{R}$$

Thermal $E =$ gravitational E

Stellar Evolution

- All thermally supported stars must have a finite lifetime as they lose heat

$$t = \frac{E}{L}$$

t = lifetime of Star

E = total energy available

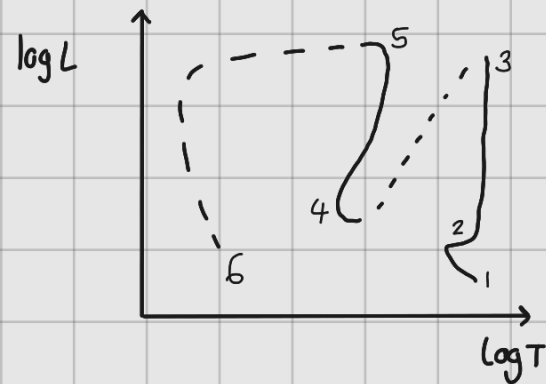
L = luminosity

- The source of stellar energy must be from hydrogen fusion

- fusion energy supply \propto mass
- $L \propto M^4$

$$t \propto \frac{1}{M^3}$$

Stellar Evolution



① Main Sequence

- $H \rightarrow He$ fusion in core
- Most of stars lifetime

② Red giant

- H depleted in core \rightarrow He fusion in shell around core
- Envelope of star expands

③ Horizontal branch phase

- $T \sim 10^8$ K
- He starts to fuse in core

④ Asymptotic Giant Branch (AGB)

- He depleted in core
- He fusion in shell around core, with H fusion shell around it

⑤ White dwarf

- Final state of star depending on its mass

↳ $M < 0.08 M_{\odot} \rightarrow$ Brown dwarfs

– Don't get hot enough to fuse H

↳ $0.08 M_{\odot} < M < 0.8 M_{\odot} \rightarrow$ Red and K dwarfs

– H fusion but low L means $t >$ age of universe

↳ $0.8 M_{\odot} < M < 5 M_{\odot} \rightarrow$ White dwarfs

– H fusion, lifecycle of the sun

↳ $5 M_{\odot} < M < 25 M_{\odot} \rightarrow$ Neutron Stars

↳ $M > 25 M_{\odot} \rightarrow$ Black holes

Using Pauli's exclusion principle and $\lambda = h/p$, the degeneracy energy

$$E_d = \frac{p^2}{2m} = \frac{h^2 n_e^{2/3}}{2m_e}$$

$E_d =$ degeneracy energy
 $n_e =$ electron number density

↗ No T dependence!

– degenerate electrons exert a pressure, which supports white dwarfs

• Degeneracy energy can balance gravity indefinitely, as it is not dependent on temperature

– degeneracy energy scales faster than gravitational, allowing stars to reach stable radii

Neutron Stars:

- For high masses, $E = pc = hc n_e^{1/3}$
- Chandrasekhar discovered degenerate objects have a maximum mass, above which they collapse

$$E_e \propto \left(\frac{M}{R^3}\right)^{1/3} \propto \frac{M^{1/3}}{R} \quad E_{\text{grav}} \propto \frac{M}{R}$$

- If $M \uparrow$ and $R \downarrow$ Star can support itself until momentum becomes relativistic, then $E_e \propto M^{1/3}/R$, so ΔM cannot be balanced by ΔR and Star collapses

Black holes:

- objects with $v_{\text{esc}} > c$ could escape

$$v_{\text{esc}}^2 = \frac{2GM}{R} \quad \text{So for } v_{\text{esc}} = c$$

$$R_s = \frac{2GM}{c^2} \quad R_s = \text{Schwarzschild radius}$$

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Section 10 - Galaxies

> Galaxy - Gravity bound collection of Stars, dust and gas

3 Main types:

- Spiral Galaxies (Milky way)
 - Central region (bulge) and Spiral arms
 - Sites of young Star formation → contain hot young Stars
 - Elliptical galaxies
 - Extremely large
 - Contain older, low-mass Stars
 - Irregular galaxies
 - Small with undistinct Shape
- Orbital velocity in a galaxy appears constant, right out to limit of observations
- most mass is unseen (dark matter)

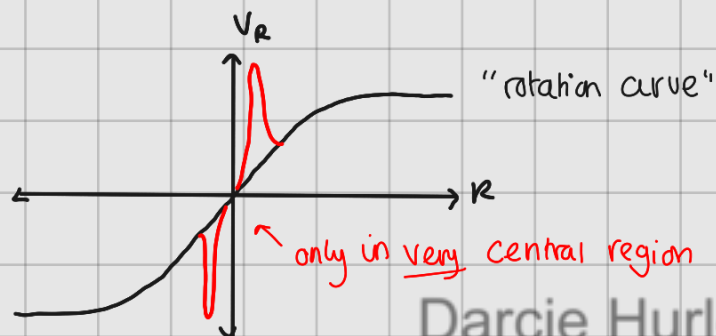
Stars on circular orbits balance gravitational with centripetal force

$$\frac{GM m_s}{R^2} = \frac{m_s V^2}{R}$$

m_s = mass of Star

M = mass interior to Stars orbit

$$M = \frac{V^2 R}{G}$$



- Most galaxies believed to have black holes at their centre
 - Very high mass
- Galaxies are not randomly distributed in space → major concentrations of galaxies ← galaxy clusters
 - ↳ likely due to the way universe has evolved since big bang
 - ↳ clumping of dark matter

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Section II - The Universe

Hubble's law

- Hubble found v_r of galaxies increased with d (distance to galaxy)
 - always redshifts \rightarrow Galaxies moving away from us

$$v = H_0 d$$

v = recession speed

H_0 = Hubble constant

d = distance to galaxy

- Hubble's constant is a function of time $H_0 = H(t_0)$ t_0 = age of universe

$$t_0 = H_0^{-1} = 13.6 \text{ Gyr}$$

- The expansion of the universe can be measured by redshift, z

$$1 + z = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda_0}$$

λ = apparent wavelength

λ_0 = rest wavelength

$z = 0$ is for local objects

$z \sim 0.1$ is for the local universe

$z > 1$ is for the high-redshift universe (distant universe)

$$v = cz$$

v = recession velocity

- Cosmic Microwave background radiation can be detected from all directions in the sky
 - Marks time about 380000^y after big bang where universe first became transparent
 - Evidence for big bang
- Big bang theory accounts for light elements seen in the universe
 - All other elements up to iron fused in stars
 - Elements heavier than iron formed in explosions
- Explains large scale distribution of galaxies
 - ↳ Dark matter needs to be moving slowly
- If the universe is close to a critical density, ρ_c

$$\frac{1}{2} m v^2 = \frac{G M m}{R} \quad \begin{array}{l} M = \text{universe mass} \\ R = \text{universe radius} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} (H_0 R)^2 = \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \rho_c \frac{G}{R}$$

$$H_0^2 R^2 = \frac{8}{3} \pi R^2 \rho_c$$

$$\rho_c = \frac{3 H_0^2}{8 \pi G}$$

- 5% is baryonic matter
- 25% is dark matter
- 70% is unknown (Dark energy)