

# Stars and Galaxies

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## Stars

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### Lecture 1

see *DUO for slides* Black body emission curve:

- LHS from peak  $\lambda$  is Rayleigh Jeans tail
- RHS from peak is Wien tail

$$\lambda_{max} = \frac{2.9 \times 10^{-3}}{T} m \quad (1)$$

$$\lambda_{max, Bet} = 8.3 \times 10^{-7} m \implies T \approx 3500 K \quad (2)$$

$$\lambda_{max, Sun} = 5.5 \times 10^{-7} m \implies T \approx 5300 K \quad (3)$$

$$\lambda_{max, Bel} = 3.0 \times 10^{-7} m \implies T \approx 9400 K \quad (4)$$

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### Lecture 2

#### 2.1 Excitation Energies

- Bohr model
- page 8 on slides
- $n$  denotes the orbitals/electron shells
- $n = 1$  is the ground state

$$E = E_{high} - E_{low} = \frac{hc}{\lambda} = -13.6 \left( \frac{1}{n_{high}^2} - \frac{1}{n_{low}^2} \right) \quad (6)$$

$$n = 2 \rightarrow 4 \quad (7)$$

$$E = 2.55 eV \implies \lambda = 486.1 nm \implies H\beta \quad (8)$$

- this was absorption
- $H\beta$  is shorthand for Balmer series  $\beta$
- Optical light

$$n = 2 \rightarrow 1 \quad (9)$$

$$E = 10.2 eV \implies \lambda = 121.6 nm \implies Ly\alpha \quad (10)$$

- this was emission
- $Ly\alpha$  is shorthand for Lyman series  $\alpha$ 
  - ➡ UV light
- Photons emitted from de-excitation in random direction
  - ➡ statistics means we probably won't see this

### Lecture 3 Ratios of Excitation Levels

$$n = 2 \rightarrow 1 \quad (11)$$

$$\frac{N_2}{N_1} = \frac{g_2}{g_1} e^{-\frac{(E_2-E_1)}{kT}} \quad (12)$$

$$g_1 = 2 ; g_2 = 8 ; T = 5800 K \quad (13)$$

$$\frac{N_2}{N_1} = 5.1 \times 10^{-9} \quad (14)$$

- 1 billionth of H atoms in first excited state, negligible

#### 3.1 Ionisation Energies

- $\chi$  is the ionisation energy

$$\frac{N_{i+1}}{N_i} = \frac{2Z_{i+1}}{n_e Z_i} \left( \frac{2\pi m_e kT}{h^2} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-\frac{\chi}{kT}} E > -13.6 \left( \frac{1}{\infty^2} - \frac{1}{n_{low}^2} \right) eV \quad (15)$$

$$n = 1 \rightarrow \infty \implies E > 13.6 eV \quad (16)$$

$$n = 2 \rightarrow \infty \implies E > 3.4 eV \quad (17)$$

### Lecture 4

#### 4.1 Binary Star Systems

- slide 8, binary system
- look at the semi-major axes of the orbits of the two stars around the centre of mass of the system
  - ➡  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  for  $m_1$  and  $m_2$

$$P^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 a^3}{G(m_1 + m_2)} \quad (18)$$

$$a = a_1 + a_2 \quad (19)$$

- Smaller semi-major axis means larger mass
- similar to see-saw

$$m_1 a_1 = m_2 a_2 \implies \frac{m_1}{m_2} = \frac{a_2}{a_1} \quad (20)$$

- ratio of the semi-major axes gives ratio of masses
- actually measure  $\alpha$ , angle of separation:
  - ➡ for d, distance from us

$$\alpha_n = \frac{a_n}{d} \implies \frac{m_1}{m_2} = \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} \quad (21)$$

## 4.2 Visual Binary Systems

### Normal Example

- $d = 10 \text{ pc}$  ;  $P = 200 \text{ days}$
- $\alpha_1 = 0.02''$  ;  $\alpha_2 = 0.08''$

$$a_1 = \alpha_1 d = 0.2 \text{ Au} ; a_2 = \alpha_2 d = 0.8 \text{ Au} \quad (22)$$

$$a = a_1 + a_2 = 1 \text{ Au} \quad (23)$$

$$m_1 + m_2 = \frac{4\pi^2 a^3}{GP^2} = 3.4 M_\odot = M_{tot} \quad (24)$$

$$\frac{m_1}{m_2} = \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} = \frac{a_2}{a_1} = 4.0 = M_{rot} \quad (25)$$

$$m_1 = \left[ \frac{M_{rot}}{1 + M_{rot}} \right] M_{tot} = 2.72 M_\odot \quad (26)$$

$$m_2 = \left[ \frac{1}{1 + M_{rot}} \right] M_{tot} = 0.68 M_\odot \quad (27)$$

### Inclination Example

- For angled systems that aren't flat against our observations:

$$\hat{\alpha}_n = \alpha_n \cos i \quad (28)$$

$$m_1 + m_2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{G} \left( \frac{d}{\cos i} \right) \frac{\hat{\alpha}^3}{P^2} \quad (29)$$

$$\hat{\alpha} = \hat{\alpha}_1 + \hat{\alpha}_2 \quad (30)$$

- Has no effect on mass ratios observed - cos cancels
- Above equation means the actual masses will be affected by the inclination

## 4.3 Spectroscopic Binaries

- Correcting for inclination:

$$v_{nr}^{max} = v_n \sin i \quad (31)$$

- Assume  $e \ll 1$

$$v_n = \frac{2\pi a_n}{P} \frac{m_1}{m_2} = \frac{v_2}{v_1} \quad (32)$$

- Same sort of stuff as visual binaries, but sin instead of cos basically

### Special Case: Eclipsing Spectroscopic Binaries

- $i \approx 90^\circ$
- don't need any corrections etc

## Lecture 5

$$P = \underbrace{\frac{\rho k T}{\mu m_H}}_{\text{ideal gas law}} + \frac{1}{3} a T^4 \quad (33)$$

- Hydrostatic Equilibrium:

➡ Pressure force = Gravitational force

$$P \text{ on } dA = [P(r + dr) - P(r)]dA \quad (34)$$

$$= dP dA \quad (35)$$

$$\text{Gravitational} = g \underbrace{\frac{dA dr}{\text{volume}}}_{\text{mass}} \rho, \quad g = \frac{GM_r}{r^2} \quad (36)$$

$$dP dA = -g \rho dA dr \quad (37)$$

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{GM_r \rho}{r^2} \quad (38)$$

$$\frac{dM_r}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho \quad (39)$$

$$M_r = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^2 \rho \quad (40)$$

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -G \frac{4}{3}\pi r \rho^2 \quad (41)$$

$$\int_{P_s}^{P_c} dP = -\frac{4}{3}\pi G \rho^2 \int_R^0 r dr \quad (42)$$

$$P_c = \frac{2}{3}\pi G \rho^2 r^2, \quad P_s = 0 \text{ at } r = R \quad (43)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}\pi G r^2 \left[ \frac{3}{4} \frac{M}{\pi r^3} \right]^2 \quad (44)$$

$$= \frac{3}{8\pi} \frac{GM^2}{R^4} \quad (45)$$

➤ Example for our sun:

$$M = 2 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg} ; \quad R \approx 7 \times 10^8 \text{ m} \quad (46)$$

$$P_c \approx 10^{14} \text{ N m}^{-2} \quad (47)$$

$$P_{c, \text{true}} \approx 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ N m}^{-2} \quad (48)$$

➤ out as assumed uniform density

## Lecture 6

### 6.1 Virial Theorem

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{GM\rho}{r^2} \times V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

$$V \frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{GM\rho}{r^2} \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

$$- \text{plug in } \frac{dm}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho$$

$$V \frac{dP}{dr} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{GM}{r} \frac{dm}{dr}$$

$$\int_0^{P(R)} V dP = -\frac{1}{3} \underbrace{\int_0^M \frac{GM}{r} dm}_{\text{Total GPE}=U}$$

$$LHS : \int U dV = UV - \int V dU$$

$$\int_0^{P(R)} V dP = \underbrace{[PV]_0^{R_0}}_{=0} - \int_0^{V(R)} P dV = -\frac{1}{3}U$$

$$-3 \int_0^{V(R)} P dV = U, \quad dV = \frac{dm}{\rho} \implies$$

$$-3 \int_0^M \frac{P}{\rho} dm = U \quad - \text{generalised form of Virial Theorem}$$

$$\text{Ideal Gas: } P = nkT = \frac{\rho kT}{\mu m_H}$$

$$\text{Average KE: } = \frac{3}{2}kT$$

$$\text{KE per kilo: } = \frac{3}{2} \frac{kT}{\mu m_H}$$

$$E_{KE} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{kT}{\mu m_H} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{P}{\rho}$$

$$-3 \int_0^M \frac{P}{\rho} dm = U, \quad \frac{P}{\rho} = \frac{2}{3} E_{KE}$$

$$\underbrace{\int_0^M E_{KE} dm}_{\text{Total KE, assume ideal gas}} = -\frac{1}{2}U$$

Total KE, assume ideal gas

$$\implies K = -\frac{1}{2}U$$

### 6.1.1 Energy from Gravitational Collapse

$$dU_{g,i} = -\frac{GM_r dm_i}{r} \text{ - GPE of point mass}$$

Consider shells of material

$$dm = 4\pi r^2 \rho dr$$

$$dU_g = -\frac{GM_r 4\pi r^2 \rho}{r} dr \text{ - GPE of a shell}$$

$$U_g = -4\pi G \int_0^R M_r \rho_r dr$$

$$M_r = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 \bar{\rho} \text{ - avg density isn't too bad here}$$

$$\begin{aligned} U_g &= -\frac{16}{3}\pi^2 G \bar{\rho}^2 \int_0^R r^4 dr \\ &= -\frac{16}{15}\pi^2 G \bar{\rho}^2 R^5 \end{aligned}$$

Convert back to mass

$$U = -\frac{9}{15} \frac{GM^2}{R} \text{ - GPE of the star}$$

$$K = -\frac{1}{2}U$$

$$\Rightarrow E = \frac{3}{10} \frac{GM^2}{R}$$

$$E \approx \frac{3}{10} GM^2 \left[ \frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{R_{initial}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{10} \frac{GM^2}{R} \iff R \ll R_{initial}$$

## 6.2 Lecture 6

### 6.2.1 Binding Energies of Fusion

$$E_b(Z, N) = \Delta mc^2 = [Zm_p + Nm_n - m(Z, N)]c^2$$

$$E_b(4, 0) = [4m_p - m_{He,4}]c^2 = 26.731 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\frac{4m_p}{m_{He,4}} = 1.007 \implies e = 0.7\%$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_\odot &= (0.1 \times M_\odot) \times 0.007 \times c^2 \\ &= 1.3 \times 10^{44} J \end{aligned}$$

$$t \approx \frac{E_\odot}{L_\odot} = 10^{10} yr$$

### 6.2.2 Coulomb Barrier

- looking at probability that two particles are close enough for nuclear force to be important
- see figure on page 7 of slides
- using classical physics, we get

$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{3}{2}kT = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{r}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{6\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{rk} = \underbrace{1.1 \times 10^{10} K}_{r=10^{-15}m ; Z_1=Z_2=1}$$

- too high for our Sun
- use deBroglie wavelength and consider quantum effects

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}, p = mv [m = \mu_m]$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 ; v^2 = \frac{p^2}{m^2}$$

$$E = \frac{p^2}{2m}$$

$$p^2 = \left(\frac{h}{\lambda}\right)^2$$

$$E = \frac{\left(\frac{h}{\lambda}\right)^2}{2m} = \frac{h^2}{\lambda^2} \frac{1}{2m}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{\lambda} = \frac{h^2}{\lambda^2} \frac{1}{2m}$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2 m}{h^2}$$

replace  $\frac{1}{r}$  with  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$

$$T = \frac{1}{12\pi^2\epsilon_0^2} \frac{Z_1^2 Z_2^2 e^4 m}{kh^2} = 9.8 \times 10^6 K$$

- this happens due to quantum tunneling

### 6.2.3 Probability of Nuclear Reactions

- see graph on page 13 of slides
- nuclear reaction probability is the product of Maxwell-Boltzmann and Tunneling Probability

## 6.3 Lecture 7

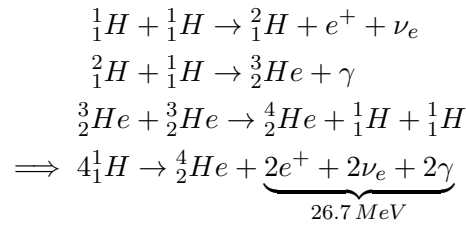
### 6.3.1 Nuclear Conservation Rules

1. electric charge must be conserved
2. nucleon number must be conserved
  - $p, n = +1$
3. lepton number must be conserved
  - $e^\mp = \pm 1$
  - $\nu_e^\mp = \pm 1$

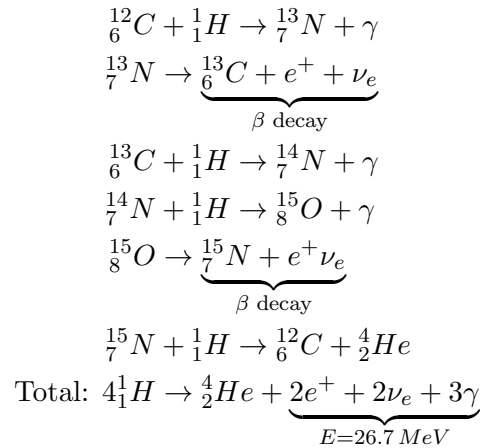


- A - atomic number for element X (nucleon number)
- Z - number of protons (electric charge)

### 6.3.2 Proton-Proton Chains



### 6.3.3 CNO Cycle



## 6.4 Lecture 8

### 6.4.1 Energy produced in Stars

$$\begin{aligned}
 dL &= \epsilon dm \quad [W] \\
 \epsilon_{i,X} &= \epsilon_0 X_i X_X \rho^\alpha T^\beta \quad [W \text{ kg}^{-1}] \\
 dm &= 4\pi r^2 \rho dr \\
 \implies \frac{dL}{dr} &= 4\pi r^2 \rho \epsilon
 \end{aligned}$$

#### Slide 5 diagram

- Solid line just to do with fusion then no fusion
- Dashed line has that shape as volume increase so  $dL/dr$  does but then temperature starts falling so fusion decreases

### 6.4.2 Energy Seen on Earth

- Electrons lose energy travelling through sun

$$\frac{\lambda_{surface}}{\lambda_{core}} \approx 3 \times 10^6$$

### 6.4.3 Mean Free Paths

- $vt$  - distance travelled



- $n$  - particles per unit volume
- $nvt$  - particle per unit area
- $n\sigma vt$  - number of interactions

$$l = \frac{vt}{n\sigma vt}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n\sigma}$$

- This is the mean distance before a collision

$$d = \sum_i l_i$$

$$d^2 = d \cdot d$$

$$= \sum_j \sum_i l_i \cdot l_j$$

- When  $i \neq j$ ,  $l_i \cdot l_j = 0$

$$d^2 = Nl^2$$

$$\Rightarrow N = \left(\frac{d}{l}\right)^2$$

- Use ideal gas law to help in questions of this

$$t_{total} = t_{travel} + Nt_{scatter}$$

$$= \frac{Nl}{c} + N \times 10^8$$

$$= 5700 \text{ yrs} + \dots = 10^6 \text{ yrs}$$

#### 6.4.4 Radiation

$$P = \frac{1}{3}aT^4$$

$$\frac{dP}{P}dr = \frac{dP}{dT} \frac{dT}{dr}$$

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = \frac{4}{3}aT^3 \frac{dT}{dr}$$

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{\kappa\rho}{c}F_{rad}$$

$$\kappa\rho = n\sigma$$

$$\frac{dT}{dr} = -\frac{3}{4ac} \frac{\kappa\rho F_{rad}}{T^3}$$

$$L = 4\pi r^2 F_{rad}$$

$$\frac{dT}{dr} = -\frac{3}{16\pi ac} \frac{\kappa\rho L_r}{T^3 r^2}$$

## 6.5 Lecture 9

### 6.5.1 Opacity

$$\begin{aligned}dI_\lambda &= -\kappa_\lambda \rho I_\lambda ds \\ \int_{I_{\lambda,0}}^{I_{\lambda,f}} \frac{dI_\lambda}{I_\lambda} &= - \int \kappa_\lambda \rho ds \\ \implies I_{\lambda,f} &= I_{\lambda,0} e^{-\int_0^s \kappa_\lambda \rho ds} \\ I_{\lambda,f} &= I_{\lambda,0} \underbrace{e^{-\kappa_\lambda \rho s}}_{\text{optical depth, } \tau} \\ &= I_{\lambda,0} e^{-\tau}, \quad \tau = \kappa_\lambda \rho s\end{aligned}$$

- $\tau < 1$  - optically thin
- $\tau > 1$  - optically thick

### Different sources of Opacity

- Two classes of opacity:
  1. Absorption - photon energy lost or KE of gas is degraded
  2. Scattering - photon reemitted at different direction, sometimes degraded
- 1. Bound-Bound transitions
  - typical temperature roughly  $\leq 10^5 \text{K}$
  - most effective for neutral gas
  - scattering and absorption
- 2. Bound-free transitions
  - typical temperature of  $10^4 \rightarrow 10^6 \text{K}$
  - partially ionised gas
  - absorption
- 3. Free-free emission
  - typical temperature of  $10^4 \rightarrow 10^6 \text{K}$
  - partially ionised gas
  - absorption
- 4. Electron scattering
  - dominant at roughly  $\geq 10^6 \text{K}$
  - fully ionised gas
  - scattering

## 6.6 Lecture 10

### 6.6.1 Schwarzschild Criterion for Convection

- slide 4 - 9

$$\gamma = \frac{C_p}{C_v} = \frac{s+2}{s}$$

- $s$  is degrees of freedom

$$\begin{aligned}
P &= k_a \rho^\gamma \\
\frac{dP}{P} &= \frac{\gamma d\rho}{\rho} \\
\gamma &= \frac{\rho}{P} \frac{dP}{d\rho}
\end{aligned}$$

Surrounding gas

$$\begin{aligned}
P &= nkT = \frac{\rho kT}{\mu m_H} \\
\frac{dP}{P} &= \frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \frac{dT}{T} \\
\frac{d\rho}{\rho} &= \frac{dP}{P} - \frac{dT}{T} \\
\frac{dP}{d\rho}_{sur} &> \frac{dP}{d\rho}_{adiab} \left[ \times \frac{\rho}{P} \right. \\
\frac{\rho}{P} \frac{dP}{d\rho}_{sur} &> \frac{\rho}{P} \frac{dP}{d\rho}_{adiab} \\
\frac{\rho}{P} \frac{dP}{d\rho}_{sur} &> \gamma_{ad} \\
\frac{P}{dP} \left( \frac{dP}{P} - \frac{dT}{T} \right)_{sur} &< \frac{1}{\gamma_{adiab}} \\
\frac{P}{dP} \frac{dP}{P} - \frac{P}{dP} \frac{dT}{T} &< \frac{1}{\gamma_{adiab}} \\
1 - \left( \frac{P}{dP} \frac{dT}{T} \right)_{sur} &< \frac{1}{\gamma_{adiab}} \\
\frac{T}{P} \left( \frac{dP}{dT} \right)_{sur} &< \frac{\gamma_{adiab}}{\gamma_{adiab} - 1} \\
\left| \frac{dT}{dr} \right|_{sur} &> \left( \frac{\gamma_{adiab} - 1}{\gamma_{adiab}} \right) \frac{T}{P} \left| \frac{dP}{dr} \right|_{sur}
\end{aligned}$$

**Convection in the Sun** For the sun:

$$\begin{aligned}
-\frac{3}{16\pi ac} \frac{k\rho L_r}{T^3 r^2} &> \left( \frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma} \right) \frac{T}{P} \frac{dP}{dr} \\
\frac{dP}{dr} &= -\frac{GM_r \rho}{r^2} \\
\frac{L_r}{M_r} &> \frac{16\pi ac G}{\kappa \rho} \frac{aT^4}{3} \frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma} \\
&> \frac{16\pi ac G}{\kappa \rho} P_{rad} \frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma} \\
&> 1.9 \times 10^{-3} W kg^{-1}
\end{aligned}$$

## Mixing length

$$\begin{aligned}
 l &= \alpha H p \\
 \frac{dP}{dr} &= -\frac{GM_r \rho}{r^2} \implies \frac{1}{H p} = -\frac{1}{P} \frac{dP}{dr} \\
 H p &= \frac{P r^2}{GM_r \rho} \\
 l &= \frac{\alpha P r^2}{GM_r \rho}
 \end{aligned}$$

## 6.7 Lecture 12

### 6.7.1 Cepheid Variables

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log \left( \frac{L}{L_\odot} \right) &= 1.15 \log_{10} \Pi^d + 2.47 \\
 \Pi^d = 10 \text{ days} &\implies L = 4200 L_\odot \\
 \text{observed } \langle f \rangle &= 10^{-15} W m^{-2} \\
 L &= 4\pi d^2 \langle f \rangle \\
 d &= \sqrt{\frac{L}{4\pi \langle f \rangle}}
 \end{aligned}$$

### 6.7.2 Stellar Pulsation

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_s &= \sqrt{\frac{\gamma P}{\rho}}, \quad \gamma = \frac{C_p}{C_V} \\
 \Pi &= 2 \int_0^R \frac{dr}{V_s} \\
 \frac{dP}{dr} &= -\frac{GM_r \rho}{r^2} \\
 \text{const } p &\implies \mu = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \rho \\
 \frac{dP}{dr} &= -\frac{4}{3} G \pi r \rho^2 \\
 dP &= -\frac{4}{3} G \pi \rho^2 \int_0^R r dr \\
 P(r) &= \frac{4}{3} G \pi \rho^2 \left[ \frac{R^2}{2} - \frac{r^2}{2} \right] \\
 \Pi &= 2 \int_0^R \frac{dr}{V_s} \\
 &= 2 \int_0^R \frac{dr}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3} \gamma G \rho (R^2 - r^2)}} \\
 &= 2 \sqrt{\frac{3}{2 \gamma \pi G \rho}} \left[ \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{r}{R} \right) \right]_0^R \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{3\pi}{2 G \rho \gamma}}
 \end{aligned}$$

## 6.8 Lecture 13

### 6.8.1 Jeans Mass

- For the gravitational collapse of a gas cloud:

$$\begin{aligned}GE = U &= -\frac{3}{5} \frac{GM^2}{R} \\KE = K &= \frac{3}{2} NkT \\&= \frac{3}{2} \frac{M_c}{\mu m_H} kT \\2K &< |U| \\2 \left( \frac{3}{2} \frac{M_c kT}{\mu m_H} \right) &< \frac{3}{5} \frac{GM_c^2}{R_c} \\R_c &= \left( \frac{3}{4} \frac{M_c}{\pi \rho_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\2 \left( \frac{3}{2} \frac{M_c kT}{\mu m_H} \right) &< \frac{3}{5} GM_c^2 \left( \frac{4 \pi \rho_0}{3 M_c} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\\frac{5M_c kT}{\mu m_H G} &< M_c^2 \left( \frac{4 \pi \rho_0}{3 M_c} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\M_c &< M_J \\M_J &\approx \left( \frac{5kT}{G\mu m_H} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \left( \frac{3}{4\pi\rho_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\end{aligned}$$

### 6.8.2 Free-fall gravitational collapse

1.  $M_c > M_J$ 
  - free fall collapse
  - optically thin
  - pressure increase
  - temperature constant
2. Fragmentation
  - optically thin
  - individual regions exceed local  $M_J$
3.  $M_J$  minimised: Protostar
  - optically thick
  - pressure increase
  - temperature increase
  - Slow contraction (Kelvin-Helmholtz timescale)

## 6.9 Lecture 14

### 6.9.1 Stellar Evolution

1. Increase in  $\mu$  (mean molecular mass) with time:

$$P = nkT = \frac{\rho kT}{\mu m_H}$$

As  $\mu$  increases,  $\rho$  and  $T$  also increase for the pressure to remain constant.

Recall:

$$\epsilon_{i,X} = \epsilon_0 X_i X_X \rho^\alpha T^\beta, \alpha \approx 1$$

For proton-proton chain,  $\beta \approx 4$

For CNO,  $\beta \approx 17$

Luminosity increases with time.

### 6.9.2 Lifetime of Nuclear Fusion

$$\begin{aligned} t &= \frac{E_{tot}}{L} = \frac{X \zeta M c^2}{L} \\ \zeta_{pp} &= \frac{4m_p - m_{He}}{m_{He}} \approx 0.007 \\ t_\odot &= 10^{10} \text{ yrs} \\ L_{ms} &= L_\odot \left( \frac{M_\odot}{M} \right)^\alpha \\ t_{ms} &= \frac{X \zeta M c^2}{L_\odot} \left( \frac{M_\odot}{M} \right)^\alpha \\ &= 10^{10} \frac{M}{M_\odot} \left( \frac{M_\odot}{M} \right)^\alpha \\ \therefore t_{ms} &= 10^{10} \left( \frac{M_\odot}{M} \right)^{\alpha-1} \end{aligned}$$

## 6.10 Lecture 15

### 6.10.1 Eddington Limit

$$\begin{aligned} L_{Edd} &= \frac{4\pi c G M}{\kappa}, M = 100 M_\odot, \kappa = \kappa_{es} = 0.04 \text{ kg m}^{-2} \\ &= 3 \times 10^6 L_\odot \end{aligned}$$

### 6.10.2 Photodisintegration

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{max} &= \frac{2.9 \times 10^{-3}}{T}, E = \frac{hc}{\lambda} \\ T_c \geq 3 \times 10^9 K &\implies E \geq 1 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$

### Last Days of Fusion

- Shell fusion
- Silicon to Iron in Core
- $P_{core}$  = high

### Endothermic Release

- Iron breaking down into Helium and Helium breaking down in protons and neutrons
- still shell fusion ongoing
- $P_{core}$  = rapidly decreasing

### Electron capture

- very high density
- shell fusion
- $p + e^- \implies n + \nu_e$
- $P_{core}$  = rapidly decreasing
- neutrino burst

### Rapid core collapse

- shell fusion
- $P_{core} \approx 0$

### Core rebound

- shell fusion
- $\rho > 8 \times 10^{18} \text{ kg m}^{-3}$
- the strong force repels collapse and rebounds outwards

### Supernova

- previous step drives supernova
- strong force drives high energy pushing
- generates a shock wave - more photodisintegration
- electron capture repeats and another neutrino burst
- nuclear synthesis of heavier elements, including beyond iron (endothermic)

## 6.11 Lecture 16

### 6.11.1 Electron Degeneracy Pressure

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta x \Delta p_x &\approx \hbar \\
 p_{min} &\approx \Delta p_x \approx \frac{\hbar}{\Delta x} \\
 P &\approx \frac{1}{2} n_e p v \\
 n_e &= \frac{\#e}{vol} = \frac{Z}{A} \frac{\rho}{m_H} \\
 p_x &= \Delta p_x = \frac{\hbar}{\Delta x} \\
 \Delta x &= n_e^{-1/3} \implies p_x = \hbar n_e^{1/3} \\
 p^2 &= p_x^2 + p_y^2 + p_z^2 = 3p_x^2 \\
 \implies p &= \sqrt{3} p_x = \sqrt{3} \hbar n_e^{1/3} \\
 p &= m v = m_e v \\
 \implies v &= \frac{p}{m_e} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{m_e} \hbar n_e^{1/3} \\
 P &= \frac{1}{3} n_e p v \\
 p &= \sqrt{3} \hbar \left[ \left( \frac{Z}{A} \right) \frac{\rho}{m_H} \right]^{1/3} \\
 v &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{m_e} \hbar \left[ \left( \frac{Z}{A} \right) \frac{\rho}{m_H} \right]^{1/3} \\
 \therefore P &= \frac{\hbar^2}{m_e} \left[ \left( \frac{Z}{A} \right) \frac{\rho}{m_H} \right]^{5/3}
 \end{aligned}$$

### 6.11.2 White Dwarf Cooling

$$t_{cool} = \frac{E_{WD}}{L_{WD}} = \left( \frac{3kT_{c,WD}}{2} \right) \left( \frac{M_{WD}}{A m_H} \right) \left( \frac{1}{L_{WD}} \right)$$

## 6.12 Lecture 17

### 6.12.1 Rotation Period of Pulsars

Centripetal Acceleration = Gravitational Acceleration

$$\begin{aligned}
 \omega_{max}^2 R &= \frac{GM}{R} \\
 M &= \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \rho \\
 \omega_{max}^2 R &= G \frac{4}{3} \pi R \rho \\
 \omega &= 2\pi f = \frac{2\pi}{P} \\
 \frac{4\pi^2}{P^2} R &= \frac{4}{3} G \pi R \rho \\
 P_{min} &= \left( \frac{3\pi}{G\rho} \right)^{1/2}
 \end{aligned}$$



### 6.12.2 Stellar Core Rotation

Conservation of angular momentum:

$$\begin{aligned}I_i \omega_i &= I_f \omega_f, \quad I = CMR^2 \\CMR_i^2 \omega_i &= CMR_f^2 \omega_f, \quad \omega = \frac{2\pi}{P} \\\frac{2\pi}{P_f} &= \frac{2\pi}{P_i} \left( \frac{R_i}{R_f} \right)^2 \\P_f &= P_i \left( \frac{R_f}{R_i} \right)^2\end{aligned}$$