

Discuss with your neighbor(s) what these things are

- Opacity
- Limb darkening
- A star
- Stellar atmosphere
- Stellar interior

Questions on anything? Let me know.

Ay 20 Recitation 2

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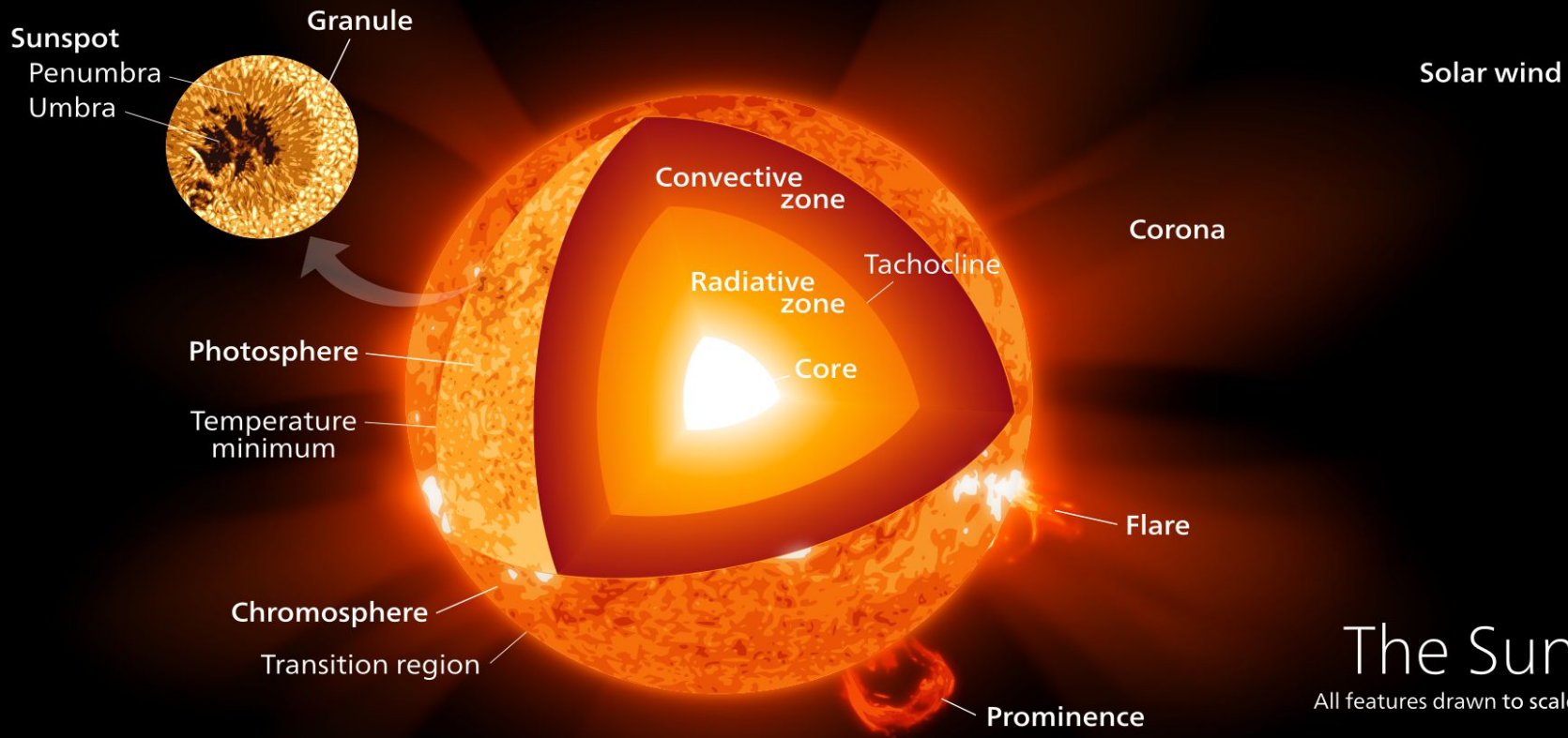
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Now write αds , the probability of absorption, in terms of:

- (1) Cross section σ and number density n
- (2) Opacity κ and density ρ (opacity can be defined as cross section per mass)
- (3) The mean free path λ
- (4) The opacity τ



The Sun
All features drawn to scale

Calculate the temperature scale height and the photon mean free path in the solar core

