#### Question 1:

• Astronomical unit (AU) - average distance between earth and the Sun.

$$1AU = 1.496 \times 10^8$$

(to 4 s.f)

• Solar radius ( $R_{\odot}$ )

$$1R_{\odot} = 6.955 \times 10^5 \, \mathrm{km}$$

(to 4 s.f)  $\odot$  is used to notate quantities related to the Sun.

• Light-year (ly), distance light travels in a year through empty space.

$$1ly = 9.461 \times 10^{12} \,\mathrm{km}$$

(to 4s.f)

• Parsec (pc)

$$1pc = 3.086 \times 10^{13} \,\mathrm{km}$$

(to 4s.f)

- $kilo = 10^3$
- $mega = 10^6$
- $giga = 10^9$

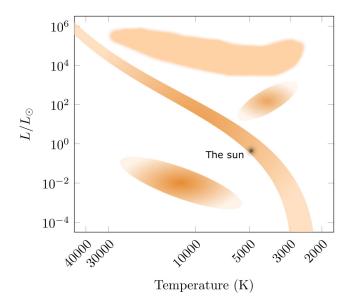
About 5 mins to read and make notes.

## Question 2:

$$\theta^2 = (\Delta \alpha)^2 (\cos \delta)^2 + (\Delta \delta)^2$$

## Question 3:

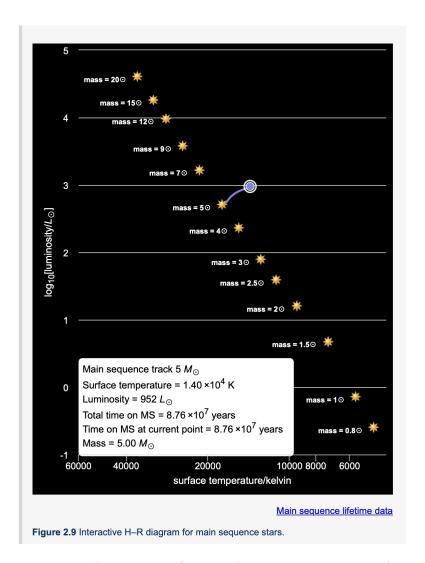
## Part (a):



## Part (b):



#### Part (c):



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# Question 4:

Star	Apparent magnitude $(m)$	Distance $(d/pc)$
Alpha Cygni	1.25	800
Beta Cygni	2.93	130
Gamma Cygni	2.23	560
Delta Cygni	2.87	51
Epsilon Cygni	2.48	22

#### **Question 5:**

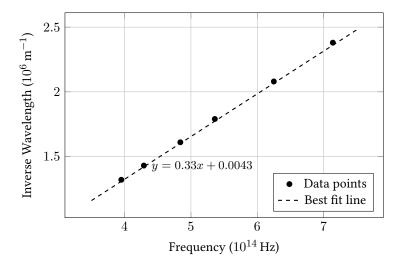


Figure 1: Plot of inverse wavelength versus frequency with a best fit line

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 $python 3 line_o f_b est_f it. py \\ Slope: 0.3325256100466257$ 

Intercept: 0.004284972035984325

$$c = \lambda f$$

$$f = \frac{c}{\lambda}$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{f}{c}$$
(1)

Using;

$$c \approx \frac{1}{gradient} \approx 3.01 \times 10^8 \, \mathrm{m \, s^{-1}}$$