## Tarea Unidad 3

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The atomic lines for a star are observed to be shifted relative to their normal positions. This is due to a radial velocity of the star (i.e. the component of the star 's velocity along the line - of - sight). If the shift of the H  $\beta$  line is  $\Delta \lambda$  = +0.4 A, what is the value and the direction of the radial velocity of the star?

Calculate the equivalent width of a rectangular line with a 4 - width and with a flux in its interior that is 2/3 of that of its value in the continuum.

Consider a photosphere composed of pure neutral hydrogen. At what temperature will the density of atoms in the n=2 excited state and in the n=1 ground state are equal  $(N_2/N_1 = 1)$ ? And for n=3?

Calculate the electronic density ( $n_e$ ) in a gas at T = 14 000 K composed of pure hydrogen where 70 % of the atoms are ionised (assume  $U_l$  = 2).

Assume our photosphere has a constant electron pressure of  $P_e = 2 Pa$  (2 N/m<sup>2</sup>). Use the Saha equation to find the temperature at which the ionized and neutral fractions are equal  $N_I N_I = 1$ .

Consider our photosphere of pure hydrogen again. Combine the Boltzmann and Saha equations to estimate the fraction  $N_2/N$  of hydrogen atoms in the n=2 state of H I to the total number density of atoms  $N = N_I + N_I$ I, for stars with temperatures of T=6000 K (type G0), T=7200 K (F0), T=10400 K (A0), and T=27000 K (B0). Again set  $P_e=2$  Pa. Compare your estimates to Figure 8-13 of the book. Which spectral type should have the strongest Balmer lines, and why?