

Astronomy Answer Key (UChicago 2018) - Do Not Share

1. (6 points total) M_R_S_N
give 1 pt for correct position of each pair
(so MS before RG is 1 pt, MS before SG is 1 pt, etc.)

2. (1 pt) AG Carinae

3. (1 pt) Luminous Blue Variable

4. (8 pts total)
Y axis - Luminosity or Magnitude (2 pts)
X axis - Color, Temperature, Spectral Class (2 pts)
Main sequence gets the shape approximately correct (2 pts)
Main sequence hits the correct points on the graph (see drawing) (2 pts)

Drawing on back side

5. (4 pts total)
a) Its normal state (0.5 pt per variable)
Log T = 4.4 T = 26000 K C = B1
Log L = 6.2 M = -10.8
b) At its brightest (0.5 pt per variable)
Log T = 3.9 T = 8000 K C = A6
Log L = 6.2 M = -10.8

See drawing
2 points total

6. (4 pts total) Correct location (2 pts)
T = 3590 K C = M1-2 B-V = +1.85
U-B = +2.06
L = $9-15 \times 10^4 L_{\text{sun}}$
M = -5.85

It is a supergiant (1 pt)
Likely to go supernova soon (1 pt)

7. (2 pts)
Type II have Hydrogen lines in their spectra, while Type I do not

8. (6 points total)

Type II supernovae are core collapse supernovae (2 pts)
When the core is iron so it can't fuse any more, there is no radiative pressure to support the star and it collapses to a core (1 pt)

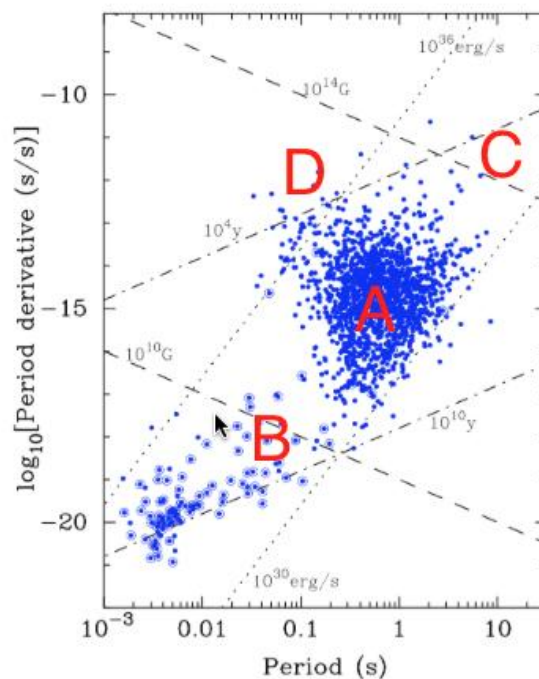
The bounce from that collapse results in an explosion (1 pt)

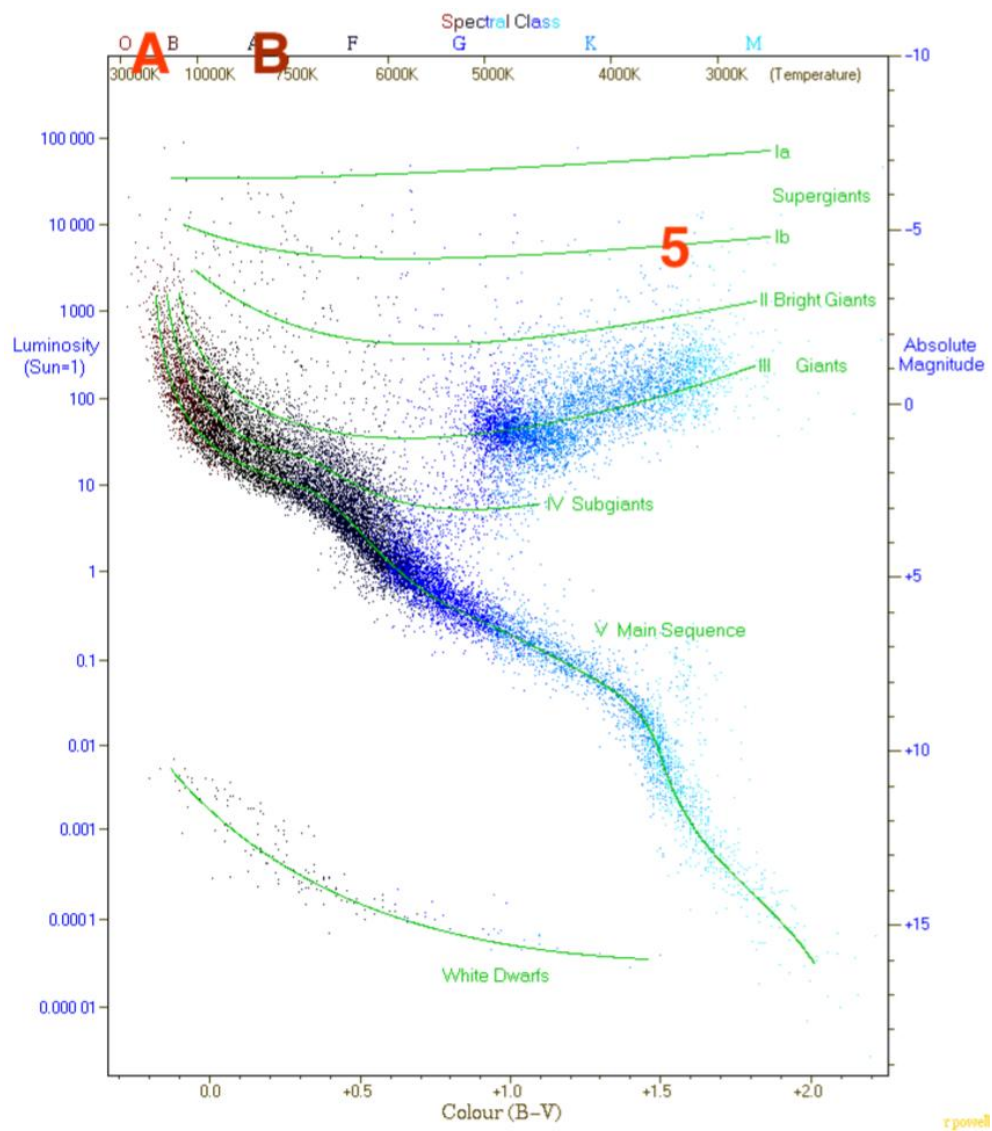
Type Ib, Ic are also core collapse, but have shed their outer envelopes so that their spectra lack Hydrogen lines and are not technically Type II (1 pt for identifying other core collapse, 1 pt for explanation)

9. (3 pts total)

Recent stellar formation (2 pts)
Radiation and supernovae will destroy them, so they don't last to see the end of stellar lifetimes (1 pt)

10. 8 points total - 2 for each letter





11. (5 points total)

"Death Line" - 2 points

As pulsars age their magnetic field weakens and the spin slows (2 points)

This weakens the radiation so we don't see it (1 point)

12. 8 points total (2 pts each)

A

___DEM L241, ~~supernova remnant~~___

^this should be HII region, I'm so sorry I messed this up!!

B

___IC 443, supernova remnant___

C

___PSR B0355+54, pulsar___

D

___NGC 6357, diffuse nebula and star formation region___

13. 3 points total

___Charge, rotation, mass - 1 pt for each___

14.

___D (Delta Cephei) - 1 pt___

15.

___E (RV Tauri) -1 pt___

16. 3 points total

(1 pt) Acknowledge that this has something to do with a gap between the main sequence and giant stars on an HR diagram

(1 pt) Massive stars go from main sequence to red giant region quickly

(1 pt) Explanation - something about how if it were a slow process we'd see more stars in this range

17. Circle: After - 1 pt

___Phase lag - 1 pt___ 2 points total

18. 2 points total

___A, C Yes___ B, D No___ 0.5 pts each___

19. 5 points total

Time on main sequence for a given star varies with mass/temp/radius etc. (1 pt)

Turnoff point says that stars with $M > M_{\text{turnoff}}$ have completed their main sequence lifetime (2 pts)

The cluster age is approximately the age of the shortest lived star still on the MS (2 pts)

Math Section

20) (6 points)

(a) (2 pts; half with eqn) 1.83 pc

(b) (2 pts; half with eqn but 5.2 AU instead of 1) 2.84 arcsec

$$p = \frac{1}{d}$$

(c) (1 pt) 2 times

(d) (1 pt) 2 times

21) (6 points)

(a) (2 pts; half if eqn) 2.22

$$m - M = -5 \log_{10}(d) - 5$$

(b) (2 pts; half if eqn) $4.21 \times 10^{27} \text{ W} = 10.9 \text{ Solar Luminosities}$

$$L_{\text{star}} \text{ in } L_{\odot} = \frac{L_{\text{star}}}{L_{\odot}} = 10^{-\frac{M_{\text{star}} - M_{\odot}}{2.512}}$$

$$L_{\odot} = 3.83 \times 10^{26} \text{ W}, M_{\odot} = 4.83$$

(c) (2 pts; half if eqn) $1.34 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W m}^{-2}$

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

$$\text{or } m_1 - m_{\odot} = -2.512 \log_{10}\left(\frac{f_1}{f_{\odot}}\right) \text{ with } f_{\odot} \approx 1380 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2}$$

22) (6 points)

(a) (2 pts; half if eqn) $6.05 \times 10^{29} \text{ W} =$
1570 Solar Luminosities

(b) (2 pts; half if eqn) 9992 K

$$T = \frac{2.897 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m K}}{\lambda \text{ (in m)}}$$

(c) (2 pts; half if eqn) $9.23 \times 10^9 \text{ m} =$
13.26 Solar Radii

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

$$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W m}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-4}$$

23) (6 points)

(a) (2 pts; half if eqn) -4.24

$$M_v = -2.43 \log_{10} P_d - 1.62$$

(b) (2 pts; half if eqn) 1116.9 pc or

$$d = 10^{-\frac{m-M}{5}} + 1$$

(c) (2 pts; half if eqn) 4089 Solar
luminosities (4080 is okay - uses
intermediary rounding)

$$\text{or } \frac{L_{\text{star}}}{L_{\odot}} = \frac{L_{\text{star}}}{L_{\odot}} = 10^{-\frac{M_{\text{star}} - M_{\odot}}{2.512}} \quad \text{with}$$
$$M_{\odot} = 4.83$$

24) (4 points)

(a) (2 pts; half if eqn) 5.6 Solar Masses

$$\frac{a^3}{P^3} = M_1 + M_2$$

(b) (2 pts; half if eqn) $1.64 \times 10^4 \text{ m}$

$$R_{\text{Schwarzschild}} = \frac{2GM}{c^2}$$

25) (6 points)

(a) (2 pts; half with eqn) $1.44 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$
 $v = H_0 d$

(b) (2 pts; half with eqn) 42 Gpc

(c) (2 pts; half with eqn) 1428 Mpc
(accept 1165 Mpc - takes relativistic
effects into account)

$$v = cz$$

DS9 stands for Deep Space 9 like the Star
Trek TV Series

2.

The apparent color is the average, not the
peak, and the Planck function is not
symmetric.

3.

Wilhelm Carl Werner Otto Fritz Franz Wien

4.

a. Edwin Hubble

b. Subrahmanyan Chandrasekhar

c. Carl Sagan

d. George Hale - discovered magnetic
fields in sunspots and built large
telescopes

e. William Morgan - co-developed Yerkes
Spectral Classification

f. John Grunsfeld - astronaut

Tiebreakers

1. It is the third version of the software, the
second being called "The Next Generation"