

Spring Physical Systems - Astrophysics - week 1
 rec. Kaufmann G. 19

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G1 - Ptolemaic < Copernican - limited θ of Venus & Mercury
 2000 yrs explains: - Mars retrograde
 - but more epicycles

Kepler used Tycho's data. Alt-az vs RA-dec
 Fig 1.8 vs Fig 1.13
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Sidereal day + Δ min = solar day
 360° 361° $\alpha = 0$ @ vernal equinox
 $\delta = 0$ @ equator

Equinoxes precess in $\sim 26,000$ yrs. Vernal equinox moves $\sim \frac{1 \text{ min}}{\text{yr}}$ west
 Age of Aquarius ~ 2600 ACE

G2 - Celestial Mechanics

Use Physics to explain Astro. observations

- 1609 K1: elliptical orbits
- K2: equal areas in equal times (L conservation)
- K3: $P^2 = a^3$

Newtonian Mechanics - 1608¹⁰ Galileo used telescope - Venus phases
 Supports Copernican view - Jupiter moons

1687 Principia: $\vec{F}_g = \frac{GMm}{r^2} \hat{r}$ N1: Inertia
 N2: $\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}$
 N3: Forces = interactions

p.35 derive K3 from N2.
 p.37 p.37: Shell theorem: acts as if mass at center.

p.43 derive Vesc

p.53-56 Virial thm: $\langle E \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle U \rangle$ for any bound orbit in $F \sim \frac{1}{r^2}$

- Q3 - Light tells us - temperature (esp. size)
 - composition, magnetic field, pulsations,
 - distance

Distance can be measured by - parallax for close stars
 - magnitude; dimmer \rightarrow brighter

p. 64



p = parallax angle

$$\frac{r}{d} = \tan p \approx p \text{ (rad)}$$

If $p = 1'' = 1 \text{ arcsec} = \frac{1}{60} \text{ min} = \frac{1}{3600} \text{ degree}$, and $r = 1 \text{ AU}$
 then define $d = 1 \text{ parsec} = \frac{r}{p} = \frac{1 \text{ AU}}{p \text{ (rad)}}$

Show that $d \approx 2 \times 10^5 \text{ AU}$

$$p \text{ (arcsec)} \div \text{rad} = \frac{360^\circ}{2\pi} \left| \frac{60'}{1^\circ} \right| \left| \frac{60''}{1'} \right| = \frac{1''}{2\pi \text{ rad}}$$

parsec $\approx 2 \times 10^5 \text{ AU} \approx \pi \text{ ly}$

$$\text{ly} = \text{light year} = c \times 1 \text{ yr} \approx 3 \times 10^8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \times \pi \times 10^7 \text{ sec} \approx 10^{1+8+7} = 10^{16} \text{ m}$$

Magnitude: apparent magnitude m = observed brightness

absolute magnitude M depends on type of star.
 (integrate over all wavelengths...)

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Luminosity L = power emitted by star

$$\text{Radiant Flux } F = \frac{L}{4\pi r^2} = \frac{\text{power}}{\text{area}} = \text{intensity}$$

$$M_{\odot} = -26.7$$

Smaller magnitude = brighter! Venus: $m_{\text{min}} = -4$

dimmiest naked eye stars: $m \approx +6$ App. 2

3.3 Wave nature of light - you already know that $c = \lambda \nu$

p. 73 and $E = h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$. Poynting vector $\langle S \rangle = \mathcal{L} \vec{E} \times \vec{B} = \frac{E_0 B_0}{c}$
 $= \frac{c E_0 B_0}{8\pi \text{ (cgs)}} \frac{2\mu_0}{\text{(cgs)}}$

Radiation pressure (not flux!) $F_{\text{rad}} = \frac{\langle S \rangle A \cos^x \theta}{c}$

$x=1$ for absorption

$x=2$ for reflection (Prob 3.6)

3.4 Black body radiation: you already know that

$$\lambda_{\text{max}} T = 0.29 \text{ cm} \cdot \text{K} \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ m} \cdot \text{K} \quad (\text{Wien's law})$$

Stefan-Boltzmann: Luminosity $L = \text{Area} \cdot T^4 = \frac{\text{energy}}{\text{time}}$

$$\sigma = 5.67 \cdot 10^{-5} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{s cm}^2 \text{K}^4} \quad (\text{Prob 3.7})$$

3.5 You know PLANCK relation ... (Prob. 3.11)

3.6 Color INDEX and Bolometric magnitude: (Prob. 3.8)

measure the amount of light from a star in 3 colors:
 $U = \text{UV}$, $B = \text{Blue}$, $V = \text{Visual (reddish)}$

Don't worry about "various of (bolometric) magnitude" (corrections) and color indices - important for observers, but tedious for theorists.

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Physical Systems - Astrophysics HW Ch 3 # 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11

due 7 Apr
wk 1

3.2 At what distance from a $P_b = 100$ watt light bulb is the radiant flux equal to solar constant?

$$p.77 \quad L_{\odot} = 3.826 \times 10^{33} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{s}} \left| \frac{\text{J}}{\text{erg}} \right| = \text{_____ watt}$$

$$p.67 \quad \text{Flux}_{\text{received}} = \frac{L}{4\pi d^2} \quad \text{where } d = \text{distance from source}$$

$$F_{\text{bulb}} = F_{\text{sun}} \quad (\text{at earth}) = 1.36 \times 10^6 \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{s-cm}^2}$$

Prob 3.5: Derive $m = M_0 - 2.5 \log_{10} \left(\frac{F}{F_{10,0}} \right)$

Let $M =$ ^(absolute) $M =$ ^(apparent) $m =$ (magnitude) of a given star IF it were at $d = 10 \text{ pc}$.

Kaufmann box 19-3	apparent magnitude difference ($m_2 - m_1$)	ratio of apparent brightness b_2/b_1
428	1	$100^{1/5} \approx 2.512$
	2	$100^{2/5} = 6.31$
	3	$100^{3/5} = 15.85$
	4	$100^{4/5} = 39.82$
	5	
	10	
	15	
	20	

flux ratio = brightness ratio

$$\frac{F_2}{F_1} = \frac{b_2}{b_1} = 100^{(m_1 - m_2)/5}$$

$$\log_{10} \frac{F_2}{F_1} = \log_{10} 10^{2(m_1 - m_2)/5} =$$

① $m_1 - m_2 =$

Find relation between apparent m , absolute M , & distance d :

$$\text{flux } F = \frac{L}{4\pi r^2}, \quad L \text{ is intrinsic to star.}$$

At its actual distance, $r = d$, $F =$ and magnitude = m

② At $d = 10 \text{ pc}$, $F_{10} =$ and magnitude = M

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{F_{10}}{F} =$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \frac{F_{10}}{F} =$$

Equate these and solve for d :

Finally, write $m-M$ in terms of d :

Special case: let $M = M_{\odot}$ = absolute magnitude of Sun.

then $F_{10} = F_{10,\odot}$ = flux if Sun were at $d = 10 \text{ pc}$.

Use $\textcircled{1}$ to find m of a given star in terms of M_{\odot} , $F_{10,\odot}$, and F from the star
(flux we receive)

3.6) A $1.2 \times 10^4 \text{ kg}^m$ spacecraft is launched from Earth and is to be accelerated radially away from the Sun using a circular solar sail. The initial acceleration of the spacecraft is to be $1g$. Assuming a flat sail, determine the radius of the sail if it is $= a$

(a) black, so it absorbs the Sun's light.

(b) shiny, so it reflects the Sun's light.

Hint: The spacecraft, like Earth, is orbiting the Sun. Should you include the Sun's gravity in your calculation?

p. 74 Force = mass \cdot a = $F_{\text{rad}} = k \frac{\langle S \rangle A}{c}$ where $k = \begin{cases} 1 : \text{absorption} \\ 2 : \text{reflection} \end{cases}$

and $\langle S \rangle = \frac{E_0 B_0}{2\mu_0} = \frac{\text{power}}{\text{area}} = \text{intensity of solar radiation at a distance } d$

Intensity = $\frac{\text{power}}{\text{area}} = \frac{L_0}{4\pi d^2}$

3.7 The average person has 1.4 m^2 of skin at a skin temperature of roughly 92°F (306 K). Consider the average person to be an ideal radiator standing in a room at a temperature of 68°F (293 K). T_0

- (a) Calculate the energy per second radiated by the average person in the form of blackbody radiation. Express your answer both in units of erg s^{-1} and in watts.

② Power radiated = $L_{\text{out}} = A\sigma T^4$ where $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-5} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{s cm}^2 \text{K}^4}$

- (b) Determine the peak wavelength λ_{max} of the blackbody radiation emitted by the average person. In what region of the electromagnetic spectrum is this wavelength found?

$\lambda_{\text{max}} = \frac{0.29 \text{ cm} \cdot \text{K}}{T} =$

- (c) A blackbody also absorbs energy from its environment, in this case from the 293-K room. The equation describing the absorption is the same as the equation describing the emission of blackbody radiation, Eq. (3.16). Calculate the energy per second absorbed by the average person, expressed both in units of erg s^{-1} and in watts.

Power absorbed = $L_{\text{in}} = A\sigma T_0^4 =$

- (d) Calculate the net energy per second lost by the average person due to blackbody radiation.

3.8) Consider a model of a star consisting of a spherical blackbody with a surface temperature of 28,000 K and a radius of 5.16×10^{11} cm. Let this model star be located at a distance of 180 pc from Earth. Determine the following for the star:

- (a) Luminosity. (3.16) $L = A\sigma T^4$
- (b) Absolute bolometric magnitude. (3.8) $M = M_{\odot} - \frac{5}{2} \log\left(\frac{L}{L_{\odot}}\right)$, $M_{\odot} = 4.76$
- (c) Apparent bolometric magnitude.
- (d) Distance modulus. (3.6) $m - M = 5 \log\left(\frac{d}{10 \text{ pc}}\right)$
- (e) Radiant flux at the star's surface. (3.2) $F = \frac{L}{4\pi r^2}$
- (f) Radiant flux at Earth's surface (compare this with the solar constant).
- (g) Peak wavelength λ_{max} . (3.15) $\lambda_{\text{max}} T = 0.290 \text{ cm K}$

$$L_{\odot} = 3.826 \times 10^{33} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{s}}$$

This is a model of the star Dschubba, the center star in the head of the constellation Scorpius.

(3.11) (a) Use Eq. (3.21) to find an expression for the frequency ν_{\max} at which the Planck function B_ν attains its maximum value. (Warning: $\nu_{\max} \neq c/\lambda_{\max}$.)

(b) What is the value of ν_{\max} for the Sun?

$$B_\nu \left(\frac{\text{intensity}}{\text{s} \cdot \text{sr}} \right)$$

(c) Find the wavelength of a light wave having frequency ν_{\max} . In what region of the electromagnetic spectrum is this wavelength found?

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$$B_\nu = \frac{2h\nu^3/c^2}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1}$$