

# TIME SCALES FOR ENERGY

• Gravitational  $E$

(Approx.)

$$E_G = \frac{GM^2}{2R}$$

$$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-8} \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{g}^2 \text{s}^2}$$

How long does it take to radiate away this  $E$ ?

$$\tau = E/L$$

IN CASE OF  $E_{\text{GRAV}}$ :

KEPLER-HELVOLDT? TIME SCALE

$$\tau_{KH} = \frac{E_G}{L} = \frac{GM^2}{2RL}$$

time it takes star to radiate away gravit.  $E$

→ also time-scale to get into gravitational equilibrium

as to evolve by contraction!

ESTIMATE FOR SUN

$$E_G \sim 1.89 \times 10^{48} \text{ erg}$$

$$\tau_{KH} = \frac{E_G}{L_0} = 4.9 \times 10^{14} \text{ s}$$

$$= 15.6 \times 10^6 \text{ yr}$$

TRICK

$$1 \text{ yr} \approx \pi \times 10^7 \text{ s}$$

## Basic Assumptions

- Stars evolve in isobaric  
↳ distance between stars  $\gg$  Radii

- spherical symmetry

Sun rotates once in 27 days

→ angular frequency  $\omega = 2.5 \times 10^{-6} / \text{s}$

→ compare  $E_{\text{mag}}$

$$\frac{E_{\text{rot}}}{E_{\text{pot}}} \approx \frac{\pi \omega^2 R^2}{GM^2/R} \approx 2 \times 10^{-5}$$

- small  $\vec{B}$

Even for  $B \sim 0.1 \text{ T}$

$$\frac{E_{\text{mag}}}{E_{\text{pot}}} \approx \frac{B^2 R^3 / \mu_0}{GM^2/R} \sim 10^{-11}$$

- Neglect electric field  
(through ionized gas)

# Stellar Structure

Assume Local Thermodynamic Equilibrium

→ Gas & Radiation in Equilibrium

→ Same, unique T

gas constituents in thermal equilibrium

- Different ion species have same T
- $e^-$  have same T
- Ionization stages in equilibrium

[Saha Eqn.:

IONIZATION  $\rightleftharpoons e^-$  capture

→ mostly outer layers of stars  
+ interior mostly fully ionized

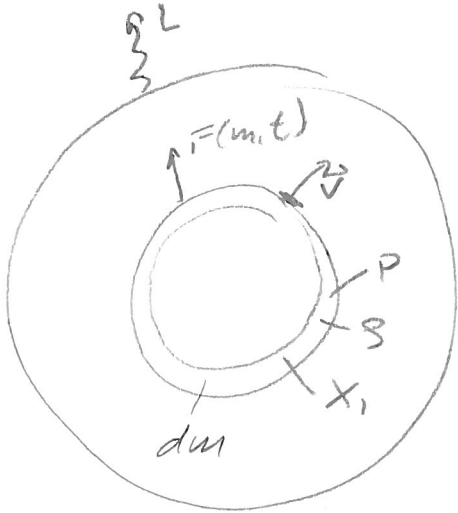


Q: NITTING SCHEME FOR IONIZATION STAGES

Fe IV

# MASS COORDINATE

## SPHERICAL STARS



Thermodynamic  $T, S$

For given composition  $x_i$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N x_i = 1 \quad \boxed{N \text{ species}}$$

+ Dynamics  $V_r$

Q: How many quantities do we need to describe spherically symmetric star?

$$dm = 4\pi r^2 \rho(r) dr$$

$$\Leftrightarrow m(r) = \int_0^r 4\pi r^2 \rho(r) dr$$

$$\text{total mass } M = \int_0^R 4\pi r^2 \rho(r) dr$$

TRANSFORMATION

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} = \frac{dm}{dr} \frac{\partial}{\partial m}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial m}} = 4\pi r^2 \rho \frac{\partial}{\partial m}$$

"Lagrangian" COORDINATE

Q: how do we call coordinate system fixed in space?

follows (traces) mass elements explicitly:

Thermodynamics, energy, opacity, ion. stages, comp.  
 → nuclear reactions

→ exchange "transport" model explicitly: Diffusion  
 Convection

# ENERGY EQUATIONS

1ST LAW OF Thermodynamics:

$$dU = dQ + dW \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{WORK DONE} \\ \text{ON GAS} \end{array}$$

↑  
heat input  
into gas

Use specific values

$$du = dq + dw$$

$$dW = -P dV$$

'specific volume'  $v = V/g$

$$dq = dt \cdot \left( \epsilon - \frac{\partial L}{\partial u} \right) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} L = L(u, t) \\ \text{also } L_r, \ell \end{array} \right\}$$

[erg/g/s]

'nuclear' energy generation rate

W/R TIME

$$L(u, t) = L(t)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \epsilon_{nuc} - P \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial u}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial u} = -P \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \epsilon - \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$$

Labels:  $\epsilon = \epsilon_{nuc} - \epsilon_v$

in thermal equilibrium:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\rightarrow E = \frac{dL}{dm}$$

$$\rightarrow L(M) = L = \int_0^M E \, dm$$

if Powered by nuclear burning:

$$L_{\text{nuc}} = \int_0^M E_{\text{nuc}} \, dm = L(M)$$

average  $E$  of Sun:

$$L_0 / M_0 \sim 2 \text{ erg/g}$$

$$E = E_{\text{nuc}} - E_\nu$$

$$\text{Sun: } \frac{E_\nu}{E} \sim 7\%!$$

• What needs to be in  $\epsilon'$

→ terms that change on time-scale  
on which star evolves

IN OUR CASE: nuclear reactions

• things that change much slower  
than star evolves: we do not need  
to include

• things that change much faster: (obviously)  
we assume to be "in equilibrium"

EXAMPLES: • time for gas to get into LTE

→ EOS

• IONIZATION EQUILIBRIUM

→ EOS

• NUCLEAR EXCITED STATES

→ IMPLICIT IN REACTION RATES

[FOR THE MOST PART]

• IN NUCLEAR STATISTICAL EQUILIBRIUM

→ ONLY NEED  $\frac{\#N}{\#P}$  → EOS

$\frac{d}{dt} Y_e$



# MOMENTUM EQUATION / EQUATION OF MOTION

$$\frac{\partial^2 r}{\partial t^2} = - \frac{Gm}{r^2} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial r} \quad \left| \quad \frac{dP}{dr} < 0 \right.$$

USE  $\frac{dm}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial r} = 4\pi r^2 \rho \frac{\partial}{\partial m}$

$$\ddot{r} = - \frac{Gm}{r^2} - 4\pi r^2 \frac{\partial P}{\partial m}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \frac{\partial P}{\partial m} &= - \frac{Gm}{4\pi r^4} - \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \frac{\partial^2 r}{\partial t^2} \\ &= - \frac{Gm}{4\pi r^4} - \frac{1}{4\pi r^2} \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} v &= \dot{r} \\ \boxed{!} &= \frac{\partial r}{\partial t} / m \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial t} = v$$

## Hydrostatic Equilibrium

hydrostatic:  $\ddot{r} = 0$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dP}{dm} = - \frac{Gm}{4\pi r^4} \quad \left| \quad \frac{dP}{dr} = - \rho \frac{Gm}{r^2} = \rho g \right.$$

DEF

$\rightarrow$  PRESSURE SCALEHEIGHT (in HSE)

$$g = - \frac{Gm}{r^2}$$

$$H_p = - \frac{dr}{d \ln P} = - P \cdot \frac{dr}{dP} = \frac{P}{\rho g}$$

# MATH NOTE

$$d \ln x = \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\frac{d \ln x}{d \ln y} = \frac{y}{x} \frac{dx}{dy}$$