

Problem Solving

a) Temperature of a star & desired resolution >>> diameter of the viewing telescope

$$\begin{aligned} T &\rightarrow \boxed{T \lambda_{\text{peak}} = .3 \text{ cm} \cdot \text{K}} \rightarrow \lambda_{\text{peak}} \\ \theta &\rightarrow \boxed{\theta = \lambda / D} \rightarrow D \end{aligned}$$

b) The masses of two stars >>> ratio of their temperature

$$\begin{aligned} M_1, R, M_2 &\rightarrow \frac{M_1}{M_2} \rightarrow \boxed{\frac{L_1}{L_2} = \left(\frac{M_1}{M_2}\right)^4} \rightarrow \frac{L_1}{L_2} \\ M_1, R, M_2 &\rightarrow \frac{M_1}{M_2} \rightarrow \boxed{\frac{R_1}{R_2} = \left(\frac{M_1}{M_2}\right)^{.75}} \rightarrow \frac{R_1}{R_2} \\ \frac{L_1}{L_2} &= \frac{4\pi R_1^2 \sigma T_1^4}{4\pi R_2^2 \sigma T_2^4} = \left(\frac{R_1}{R_2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{T_1}{T_2}\right)^4 \rightarrow \frac{T_1}{T_2} \end{aligned}$$

c) Apparent Brightness & luminosity of a star >>> parallax

$$\begin{aligned} b &\rightarrow \boxed{b = \frac{L}{4\pi d^2}} \rightarrow d \rightarrow \boxed{d = 1/p} \rightarrow p \end{aligned}$$

d) Mass loss per second due to fusion & radius >>> Peak wavelength

First: $E = mc^2 \rightarrow \frac{E}{s} = \frac{m}{s} c^2 \rightarrow L = \frac{m}{s} c^2$
divide both sides

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m}{s} &\rightarrow \boxed{L = \left(\frac{m}{s}\right) c^2} \rightarrow L \rightarrow \boxed{L = 4\pi R^2 \sigma T^4} \rightarrow T \rightarrow \boxed{\lambda_{\text{peak}} T = .3 \text{ cm} \cdot \text{K}} \rightarrow \lambda_{\text{peak}} \end{aligned}$$

e) Observed peak wavelength & velocity >>> brightness at the surface of the star.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{\text{obs}} &\rightarrow \boxed{\frac{|\lambda_{\text{obs}} - \lambda_0|}{\lambda_0} = \frac{\Delta \lambda}{\lambda_0} = \frac{v}{c}} \rightarrow \lambda_0 \rightarrow \boxed{\lambda_{\text{peak}} T = .3 \text{ cm} \cdot \text{K}} \end{aligned}$$

$$T \rightarrow \boxed{\epsilon = \sigma T^4} \rightarrow \epsilon$$