

ASTR367

Final Review Topics

Equations to memorize

$$L = 4\pi d^2 F \quad (1)$$

$$d["] = \frac{1}{p} \text{pc} \quad (2)$$

$$m_1 - m_0 = -2.5 \log_{10}(F_1/F_0) \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{F_1}{F_0} = 10^{0.4(m_0 - m_1)} \quad (4)$$

$$M_1 - M_0 = -2.5 \log_{10}(L_1/L_0) \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{L_1}{L_0} = 10^{0.4(M_0 - M_1)} \quad (6)$$

$$m - M = 5 \log d - 5 \quad (7)$$

$$\lambda_{\max} = \frac{0.2898}{T(\text{K})} \text{cm} \quad (8)$$

$$L = A\sigma T^4 \text{ (Stephan - Boltzmann; } A = 4\pi R^2 \text{ for spheres)} \quad (9)$$

$$\tau_\nu = \int \kappa_\nu \rho ds \quad (10)$$

$$z = \frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda_0} = \frac{\Delta\nu}{\nu_0} \simeq \frac{v_r}{c} \quad (11)$$

$$R_s = \frac{2GM}{c^2} \quad (12)$$

$$P^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{G(M+m)} a^3, \quad (13)$$

Equations I would give you

$$B_\nu = \frac{2h\nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1} \quad (14)$$

$$B_\lambda = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1} \quad (15)$$

$$f(v) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{m}{2\pi kT}\right)^3} 4\pi v^2 e^{-\frac{mv^2}{2kT}} \quad (16)$$

$$\frac{n_i}{n_j} = \frac{g_i}{g_j} e^{-E_{ij}/kT_{\text{ex}}} \quad (17)$$

$$\frac{n_{i+1}n_e}{n_i} \simeq 2 \left(\frac{2\pi m_e kT}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \frac{g_{i+1}}{g_i} \exp \left[-\frac{\Phi_r}{kT} \right] \quad (18)$$

$$I_\nu(\tau_\nu) = I_\nu(0)e^{-\tau_\nu} + B_\nu(T)(1 - e^{-\tau}) \quad (19)$$

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -G \frac{M_r \rho(r)}{r^2} = -\rho g \quad (20)$$

$$\frac{dM_r}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho(r) \quad (21)$$

$$\frac{dL_r}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho \epsilon \quad (22)$$

$$\frac{dT}{dr_{\text{rad}}} = -\frac{3 \bar{\kappa} \rho}{4ac T^3} \frac{L_r}{4\pi r^2} \quad (23)$$

$$\frac{dT}{dr_{\text{conv}}} = -\left(1 - \frac{1}{\gamma}\right) \frac{\mu m_H}{k} \frac{GM_r}{r^2} \quad (24)$$

$$(ds)^2 = \left(cdt \sqrt{1 - 2GM/rc^2} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - 2GM/rc^2}} \right)^2 - (rd\theta)^2 - (r \sin \theta d\phi)^2, \quad (25)$$

$$\frac{m_2^3}{(m_1 + m_2)^2} \sin^3 i = \frac{P}{2\pi G} v_{1,r}^3. \quad (26)$$

$$T_{\text{disk}} = \left(\frac{GM_1 \dot{M}}{8\pi \sigma R^3} \right)^{1/4} \quad (27)$$

$$L_{\text{disk}} = G \frac{M \dot{M}}{2R} \quad (28)$$

$$R_J \simeq \sqrt{\frac{kT}{G\mu\rho}}. \quad (29)$$

$$M_J = \left(\frac{5kT}{G\mu} \right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{3}{4\pi\rho} \right)^{1/2} \quad (30)$$

Units

cgs vs SI

Degrees minutes seconds

Solid angle

Intensity, flux, luminosity definitions and their relationships to each other

Parallax

Apparent and absolute magnitudes

Astronomical filters and colors

Blackbodies

Units of blackbodies

How filters and blackbodies interact for astronomical colors

Color-magnitude diagrams

Stellar Spectra

Kirchoff's Laws

Optical depth

Sources of opacity

Maxwell-Boltzmann speed distribution

Boltzmann equation

Saha equation

Local Thermodynamic Equilibrium

Line Broadening mechanisms

Curve of growth and equivalent width

Stars

Basic property ranges and reasons

Initial mass function

Spectral types

Mass-Luminosity relation

Metallicity definition

H-R diagram including accurate axes

Stellar Interiors

Hydrostatic equilibrium

Eddington luminosity

Radiation vs. convection

Nucleosynthesis and main fusion reactions

Star Formation

Jean's mass/radius from hydrostatic equilibrium
Jean's mass/radius from Virial theorem
Virial theorem itself
Free-fall time
Zero-age main sequence

Stellar Evolution

Electron degeneracy pressure
Red giants, asymptotic giants, horizontal branch, planetary nebulae, white dwarfs

Supernovae

Massive star evolution
Types of supernovae and their observables
Nucleosynthesis in supernovae

Stellar Pulsations

Types of variable stars and their basic characteristics
The period-luminosity relation for Cepheids
Pulsation rate dependence

White Dwarfs

Basics of electron degeneracy pressure
Chandrasekhar mass limit
Basics of WD cooling

Neutron Stars

NS spin rate and temperature derived from collapse
Pulsars, including how we can derive pulsar luminosity from rotational energy

GR and Black Holes

Redshift definition
Gravitational redshift
Schwartzchild metric, and all the various situations
Schwartzchild radius
What happens as matter falls into a black hole
Hawking radiation

Brown Dwarfs

Initial mass function
Rough sizes, temperatures, classes

Binaries

Kepler's Laws
Spectroscopic binaries and the mass function
The light curves of eclipsing binaries
Lagrangian points
Accretion disks
Binary evolution for all stellar masses
Novae
Supernovae Type 1a

The sun

Basic properties
Solar layer definitions and rough properties
Solar magnetic field and its effects
Sunspot cycles