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Eddington Critical Luminosity, or Eddington Limit

$$F = \frac{4\pi}{3} \frac{\partial B}{\partial r} \quad \text{--- (4.1A)}$$

$$F = -\frac{4\pi c}{3} \frac{1}{\kappa \rho} T^3 \frac{dT}{dr} = -\frac{c}{\kappa \rho} \frac{d(\frac{1}{3} a T^4)}{dr}$$

$$P_{\text{rad}} = \frac{1}{3} a T^4$$

$$F = -\frac{c}{\kappa \rho} \frac{dP_{\text{rad}}}{dr}$$

$$L = 4\pi R^2 F = -\frac{4\pi R^2 c}{\kappa \rho} \frac{dP_{\text{rad}}}{dr} \quad \text{--- (4.51)}$$

Eddington Limit: ~~grav~~ radiation pressure force
exceeds gravitational force

$$\boxed{-\frac{dP_{\text{rad}}}{dr} = g_s \rho} \quad \text{--- (4.50)}$$

$$L_{\text{Edd}} = \frac{4\pi R^2 c}{\kappa \rho} \cdot g_s \rho = \frac{GM}{R^2}$$

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

$$\boxed{L_{\text{Edd}} = \frac{4\pi c G M}{\kappa}} \quad \text{--- (4.52)}$$

Use $\kappa = \kappa_e = 0.2(1+X) = 0.34 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$
Assuming $X=0.7$

$$\left(\frac{L_{\text{Edd}}}{L_{\odot}}\right) = 3.5 \times 10^4 \left(\frac{M}{M_{\odot}}\right) \quad \text{--- (4.52)}$$

For current Sun, radiation pressure is low.

However, in supergiants, radiation pressure drives
strong stellar wind \rightarrow mass loss
 \rightarrow drive planetary nebula

Radiative Opacity Source (CH 4.4)

κ : determined by microphysics, function of $P, T, \text{composition}$

$$\kappa: \text{cm}^2 \text{g}^{-1}, \quad \kappa \rho = \frac{1}{\lambda_{\text{free}}}$$

$$* \kappa_{\text{tot}} = \kappa_e + \kappa_{\text{ff}} + \kappa_{\text{bf}} + \kappa_{\text{H}^-}$$

κ_e : electron scattering

κ_{ff} : free-free absorption

κ_{bf} : bound-free absorption

κ_{H^-} : metal hydrogen absorption

κ_{bb} : bound-bound absorption \rightarrow spectral lines

High T

Low T

* Electron scattering κ_e .

In classic EM class, the so-called Thomson Electron scattering is caused by oscillation of free electrons upon the incidence of electro-magnetic radiation

$$\sigma_e = \frac{8\pi}{3} \left(\frac{e^2}{m_e c^2} \right)^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3} r_e^2 = 0.6652 \times 10^{-24} \text{cm}^2 \quad \text{--- (4.59)}$$

$$r_e = \frac{e^2}{m_e c^2} : \text{classical electron radius} \quad \left(\frac{e^2}{r_e} = m_e c^2 \right)$$

total electronic energy = rest mass energy (Coulomb)

σ_e : cm^2 per particle

Cross-section ^(cm^2) indicates the probability of interaction

$\sigma_e \rho_e$: $\text{cm}^2 / \text{cm}^3$, probability of interaction unit volume

$$\lambda \sigma_e \rho_e = 1 ; \quad \lambda = \frac{1}{\sigma_e \rho_e}$$

λ : definition of mean free path of photons

When photon moves a distance of λ , there is one interaction

$$\text{Therefore} \quad \lambda = \frac{1}{\sigma_e \rho_e} = \frac{1}{\kappa \rho}$$

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$$\kappa_e = \frac{\sigma_e n_e}{\rho}$$

For the matter of X fraction of H ($A=1, Z=1$), and other matters $1-X$ ($A=2Z$)

$$\mu_e = \left(\sum_i \frac{X_i Y_i Z_i}{A_i} \right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{X \cdot 1 \cdot 1}{1} + \frac{(1-X) \cdot 1 \cdot 2}{2Z} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\mu_e = \left(\frac{X+1}{2} \right)^{-1} = \frac{2}{X+1}$$

$$n_e = \frac{\rho}{\mu_e} N_A \Rightarrow \frac{n_e}{\rho} = \frac{N_A}{\mu_e}$$

$$\boxed{\kappa_e = \frac{\sigma_e N_A}{\mu_e} = 0.2 (1+X)} \quad \text{cm}^2 \text{g}^{-1} \quad \text{--- (4.60)}$$

Exp: In the core of Sun, $X=0.7$, $\rho = 150 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$

$$\kappa_e \rho = 0.2 \cdot (1+0.7) \cdot 150 = 51 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{\kappa_e \rho} = \underline{0.02 \text{ cm}} = \text{mean free path}$$

Thomson electron scattering is the most common opacity in stellar interior where ~~it is~~ fully ionized matters

It is a constant, independent of ρ, T ,

In power-law notation

$$\kappa_e = K_0 \rho^n T^{-5}$$

$$K_0 = 0.2 (16\pi)$$

$$n = 0$$

$$s = 0$$

Exp: In Interstellar medium, $n_e = 10 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$$\lambda_{\text{ph}} = \frac{1}{\sigma_e n_e} = \frac{1}{0.66 \times 10^{-24} \cdot 10} = 10^{23} \text{ cm}$$

$$1 \text{ light year (Ly)} = 9.46 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}$$

$$\lambda_{\text{ph}} = 10^5 \text{ Ly}$$

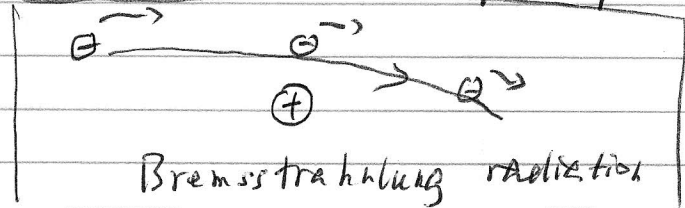
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* Free-Free Absorption K_{ff}

Inverse process of free-free emission

Also called Bremsstrahlung radiation produced by electron radiation due to Coulomb force of ion

electron accelerating



$$P(t) = \frac{2}{3} \frac{e^2}{c^3} a(t)^2 \quad \text{the Larmor result}$$

$$4\pi j \rho = \frac{2\pi}{3} \frac{Z_c^2 e^6}{m_e c^3 \hbar} \left(\frac{2\pi kT}{m_e} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} n_e n_i$$

Z_c : ion charge

$$K_{ff} = 10^{23} \frac{\rho}{n_e} \cdot \frac{Z_c^2}{n_i} T^{-3.5} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ g}^{-1} \quad \dots (4.61)$$

$$K_{ff} \sim \rho T^{-3.5}$$

$$K_{ff} = \underbrace{\kappa_0 \rho T^{-3.5}}_{\text{so-called Kramer's opacity}} \quad \text{with } \boxed{n=1, s=3.5}$$

High in stellar interior, fully ionized,
but prefer lower temperature

* Bound-free Absorption:

In low-temperature media close to the surface ($T \sim 10^4 \text{ K}$)

where neutral atoms start to form: partial ionization

$$K_{bf} = 4 \times 10^{25} Z_c (1+x) \rho T^{-3.5} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ g}^{-1} \quad (4.63)$$

$$n=1, s=3.5$$

This absorption is to ionize the electron from an atom or ion by absorption of a photon

* Bound - Bound absorption.

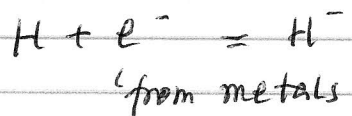
photon-induced transition between bound levels in atoms
 \Rightarrow forming spectral lines, but not continuum

* H^- opacity (Hydrogen-minus, or metal hydrogen)

when temperature is very low, e.g., $T = 2000 K$

H, He are neutral $\Rightarrow K_e = 0, K_{ff} = 0, K_{bf} = 0$

Only metals are ionized, providing small amount of e^- .



Ionization of H^- is only 0.75 eV
 (Ionization of H to H^+) is 13.6 eV.

$$K_{H^-} = 2.5 \times 10^{-31} \left(\frac{Z}{0.02} \right) \rho^{\frac{1}{2}} T^9 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ g}^{-1} \dots 4.95$$

$$\left[n = \frac{1}{2}, s = -9 \right]$$

* Summary

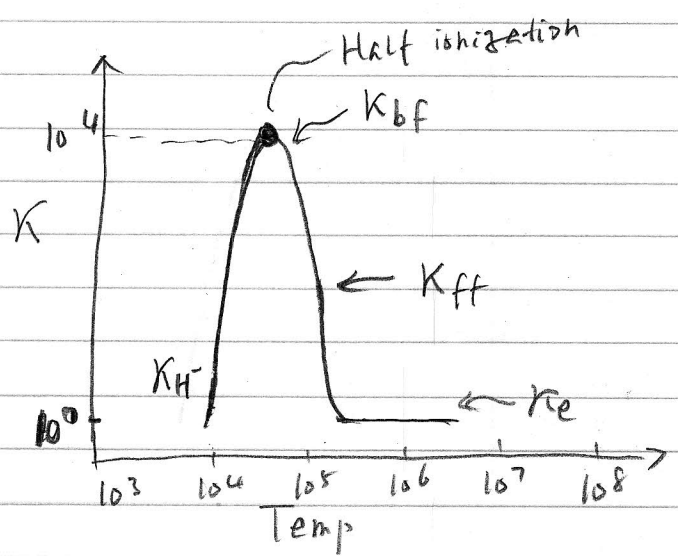
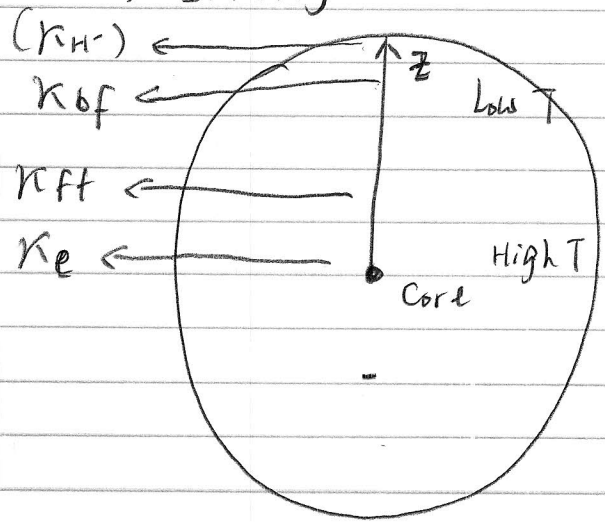


Fig 4.2 (P.217)

CH5. Heat Transfer by Convection (motion of medium) Energy $V \neq 0$

Three ways of Energy Transfer

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	Conduction	Radiation	Convection
plasma	$V=0$	$V=0$	$V \neq 0$

All related with temperature gradient: $\propto \frac{dT}{dr}$
Energy goes from area of high T \rightarrow low T

$F = -D \frac{dT}{dr}$: Fick's LAW of Diffusion

F: Energy flux

Conduction: $D_{cond} = C_v V_e \lambda_e / 3 \xrightarrow{\text{plasma}} 9.2 \times 10^{-7} T^{\frac{5}{2}} \text{ erg K}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Radiation $D_{rad} = \frac{c_{ph}}{3} C \lambda_{ph} / 3 = \frac{4ac}{3kp} T^3$
 $C_{ph} = 4aT^3$

Convection $D_{rad} = C_p P W$ (S-36)

C_p : specific heat of constant pressure

W : average convection velocity

Condition to dominate:

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Conduction	Radiation	Convection
High ρ	High T	High $\frac{dT}{dr}$

In main sequence stars, F_{rad} dominates

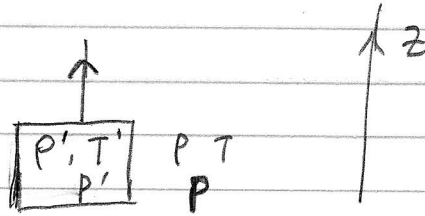
$F_{rad} = - \frac{4ac}{3kp} T^3 \frac{dT}{dr}$

If $\frac{dT}{dr} > (\frac{dT}{dr})_{critical}$, higher than a critical temperature gradient, instability happens \rightarrow turbulent convection

Criteria for Convection (CH 5.1.1)

Convection is driven by buoyancy force

a common force in a fluid related with pressure & gravity



parcel or bubble

Consider a temperature disturbance in the parcel: $T' > T$ $P' = P$ pressure always in equilibrium

$$P = \frac{\rho}{M} N_A k T$$

 $\Rightarrow \rho' < \rho$ density smaller

$$F = (\rho V g - \rho' V g) = (\rho - \rho') V g; \text{ ~~not~~ buoyancy force}$$

$$F = \frac{dP'}{dz} - \rho' g = \frac{dP}{dz} - \rho' g = \rho g - \rho' g > 0$$

The parcel rises up.

Whether the parcel continues the rising or not, depending on $\frac{dT}{dz}$; At higher positions $T' > T$: always T' larger \rightarrow convection $T' < T$: $\Rightarrow \rho' > \rho \rightarrow$ parcel sinks
 \rightarrow no convection

Thus, the criterion is

$$\boxed{\frac{dT'}{dz} > \frac{dT}{dz}}, \text{ or } \boxed{\left| \frac{dT'}{dz} \right| < \left| \frac{dT}{dz} \right|} \Rightarrow T' > T$$

$$\frac{dT'}{dz} < 0, \quad \frac{dT}{dz} < 0$$

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$$\frac{dT}{dz} = -F \cdot \frac{3KP}{4AC} \frac{1}{T^3} \quad \text{From radiation model}$$

determined by F (or luminosity), K, ρ, T

$(\frac{dT'}{dz})$ is calculated from the adiabatic process, assuming no heat exchange (ideal case)

$$\frac{dT'}{dz} = (\frac{dT'}{dz})_{ad}$$

* For the convenience, introduce

$$\beta = -\frac{dT}{dz} \quad \text{: } T \text{ gradient parameter ; } \beta > 0$$

$$\nabla = \left(\frac{\partial \ln T}{\partial \ln P} \right) = \frac{\lambda_P}{\lambda_T} \quad \text{: dimensionless temperature gradient ; } \nabla > 0$$

$$T = T_0 e^{-\frac{z}{\lambda_T}} \quad d \ln T = \frac{dT}{T} = \frac{T_0 e^{-\frac{z}{\lambda_T}} (-\frac{1}{\lambda_T}) dz}{T} = -\frac{dz}{\lambda_T}$$

$$\text{* Criteria: } \beta > \beta_{ad} \quad \text{--- (5.9)}$$

$$\nabla > \nabla_{ad} \quad \text{--- (5.10)}$$

* Relate β and ∇

$$\frac{dT}{dz} = -\beta = \frac{dT}{dP} \frac{dP}{dz} = \frac{d \ln T}{d \ln P} \cdot \frac{T}{P} \cdot \frac{dP}{dz} = \nabla \cdot \frac{T d \ln P}{dz} = -\nabla \frac{T}{\lambda_P}$$

$$\frac{d \ln P}{dz} = -\frac{1}{\lambda_P}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = -\frac{dT}{dz} = \frac{T}{\lambda_P} \nabla$$

$$\text{* } \nabla_{ad}: \nabla_{ad} = \left(\frac{\partial \ln T}{\partial \ln P} \right)_{ad} = \frac{P_2 - 1}{P_2} \quad \text{--- (3.94)}$$

Ideal gas: $P_2 = \frac{5}{3}$

$$\boxed{\nabla_{ad} = \frac{\frac{5}{3} - 1}{\frac{5}{3}} = \frac{2}{5} = 0.4}$$

Mixture gas. $\nabla_{ad} = \frac{2(4 - 3\beta)}{32 - 24\beta - 3\beta^2}$, where $\beta = \frac{P_g}{P_{total}}$ (gas β)