

# CH1: Preliminaries

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## 1.1 Hydrostatic Equilibrium

\* What is a star?

— From dynamic point of view, the star is a stable object in which self-gravitational force is balanced by internal pressure gradient.

Simply put: 
$$\rho(r) \vec{g}(r) = \frac{dP(r)}{dr}$$

Called Hydrostatic Equilibrium condition

\* What is stellar structure?

— theoretical understanding of the structure involves the knowledge of a set of parameters in the function of independent variable  $r$

(1)  $\rho(r)$ : density ( $g/cm^3$ )

(2)  $T(r)$ : temperature (K)

(3)  $P(r)$ : pressure ( $dyne/cm^2$ )

— stress tensor is isotropic ( $\vec{p} \rightarrow p$ )

$M$ : total mass

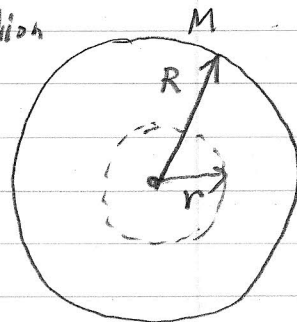
$R$ : total radius

(4)  $M(r)$ : mass within  $r$  (g)

(5)  $L(r)$ : luminosity ( $erg/s$ )

(6)  $\epsilon(r)$ : energy generate rate ( $erg/g/s$ )

— nuclear reaction rate from microphysics (CH6)



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(2)  $\kappa_{\text{cr1}}$ : opacity ( $\text{cm}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$ )

- regulate the radiation transfer ( $\text{CH}_4$ ),

- depends on photon scattering / absorption  
from microphysics ( $\text{CH}_4$ )

\* Need at least seven equations to solve the  
structure of a star

\* (1)  $P, T, \rho$ : state parameters

(2)  $E, \kappa$ : parameters of microphysics, but  
depends on state parameters

$$\rightarrow \epsilon = \epsilon_0 \rho^\lambda T^\mu \quad \text{----- (1.59)}$$

nuclear reaction  $\propto \rho, \propto T$

$$\rightarrow \kappa = \kappa_0 \rho^n T^{-5} \quad \text{----- (1.62)}$$

opacity  $\propto \rho, \propto \frac{1}{T}$

(3)  $M, L, R$ : global parameters

$$M_{\odot} = 1.99 \times 10^{33} \text{ g}$$

$$L_{\odot} = 3.85 \times 10^{33} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

$$R_{\odot} = 6.96 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}$$

### 1.1<sup>†</sup> (Extended): Equations of stellar structure

\* Seven parameters need seven equations

Equation of mass conservation	x 1
Equation of momentum conservation	x 1
Equation of Energy Conservation	x 1
microphysics equations: radiation transfer	x 1
nuclear reaction	x 1
opacity	x 1
Equation of state	x 1

### 1. Equation of Mass Conservation

\* General form:  $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \vec{v}) = 0$

or  $\frac{d\rho}{dt} + \rho(\nabla \cdot \vec{v}) = 0$

$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$ : local derivative,

$\frac{d\rho}{dt}$ : total derivative  $\frac{d}{dt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla$

In a star, static  $\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0$

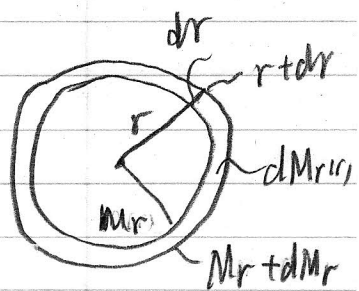
stable  $\Rightarrow \vec{v} = 0$

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

or  $dM_r = 4\pi r^2 \rho(r) dr$  — shell mass

$$M_R = \int_0^R 4\pi r^2 \rho(r) dr$$

--- (1.2)



mass shell model  
spherical symmetry,

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## 2. Equation of Momentum Conservation

$$\text{* general form: } \rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -\nabla P + \rho \vec{g}$$

$$\text{static / steady: } \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla P = \rho \vec{g} \quad (\text{hydrostatic Equilibrium})$$

$$g(r) = \frac{GM(r)}{r^2}$$

$$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ g}^{-1} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-2}$$

$$\text{In solar unit } g(r) = 2.74 \times 10^4 \left(\frac{M}{M_{\odot}}\right) \left(\frac{r}{R_{\odot}}\right)^{-2} \text{ cm s}^{-2}$$

$$g = 2.74 \times 10^4 \text{ cm s}^{-2} \text{ on the surface of Sun}$$

$$\left| \frac{dP(r)}{dr} = -\frac{GM(r)}{r^2} \rho(r) \right| \quad \text{--- (1.6)}$$

\* Lagrangian format  $\left(\frac{dP(r)}{dM(r)} = ?\right)$  of hydrostatic equilibrium

$$\text{Since } \frac{dM(r)}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho(r)$$

$$\frac{dP(r)}{dM(r)} = \frac{dP}{dr} \frac{dr}{dM} = -\frac{GM(r)}{r^2} \rho(r) \frac{1}{4\pi r^2 \rho(r)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{dP(r)}{dM(r)} = -\frac{GM(r)}{4\pi r^2} \right| \quad \text{--- (1.10)}$$

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## 3. Equation of Energy

general form:

$$\rho \frac{de}{dt} + \rho \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = \nabla \cdot (\vec{k} \cdot \nabla T) + Q_{\text{source}} - Q_{\text{sinks}}$$

e: internal energy density

 $\nabla \cdot (\vec{k} \cdot \nabla T)$ : thermal conduction

In a star, reduce to

$$\frac{dL(r)}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho(r) \epsilon(r) \quad \text{--- (1.57)}$$

(In the nuclear reaction layer)

$$\frac{dL(r)}{dr} = 0 \quad \text{(In radiation layer)}$$

## 4. Microphysics Equation of radiation transfer

$$L(r) = - \frac{4\pi r^2 c}{3K\rho} \frac{d(AT^4)}{dr} \quad \text{--- (1.60)}$$

(Fick's Law)

## 5. Microphysics Equation of nuclear reaction

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \rho^{\lambda} T^{\nu} \quad \text{--- (1.59)}$$

H  $\rightarrow$  He    PP chain:     $\lambda = 1$ ,  $\nu = 4$ H  $\rightarrow$  He    CNO cycle:     $\lambda = 1$ ,  $\nu = 15$ He  $\rightarrow$  C    Triple  $\alpha$ :     $\lambda = 2$ ,  $\nu = 46$ 

## 6. Microphysics of opacity

$$\kappa = K_0 \rho^n T^{-s} \quad \text{--- (1.62)}$$

(Kramer's opacity)

Free electrons:     $n = 0$ ,  $s = 0$ Atoms:     $n = 1$ ,  $s = 3.5$

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7. Equation of state (parameters)

$$P = P(P, T) = P_0 P^{\chi_P} T^{\chi_T} \dots \quad (3.87)$$

(usual power-law format)

For ideal gas:  $\chi_P = 1$   $\chi_T = 1$

$$P = n k T$$

For radiation photons:  $\chi_P = 0$ ,  $\chi_T = 4$

$$P = \frac{1}{3} a T^4$$

$k$ : Boltzmann constant:  $1.38 \times 10^{-16}$  erg  $K^{-1}$

$a$ : radiation constant =  $7.56 \times 10^{-15}$  erg  $cm^{-3} K^{-4}$

\* What about evolution?

$\frac{d}{dt} = 0$ . evolution is quasi-static

what changes? composition  $M(t)$

(70% H, 30% He)  $\rightarrow$  (100% He)

$\Rightarrow P(t), T(t), \rho(t) \Rightarrow \epsilon, \kappa$

$\Rightarrow L_R(t), R(t)$ : (total luminosity and size changes)

but  $M(t)$  is a conserved parameter

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## 1.2. An Energy Principle

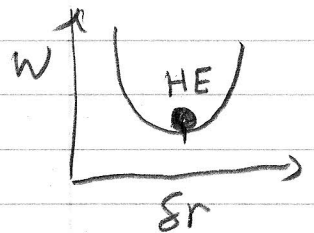
\* From energy principle to derive hydrostatic equilibrium equation

$$\boxed{\frac{dP}{dM_r} = -\frac{GM_r}{4\pi r^2}} \quad (1.16)$$

\* Energy quantities:

$\Omega$ : gravitational energy

$U$ : internal energy



$W = \Omega + U$ : total energy of star

In a global scale ( $r = R$ ), energy generation rate and/or dissipation rate  $L$  is negligible.

Thus, in principle, perturbation of star will not change the total energy

$$(\delta W)_{ad} = 0$$

since the star is in hydrostatic equilibrium

( )<sub>ad</sub>: adiabatic, no heat transfer

\*  $\Omega$ : gravitational energy

- energy released to assemble  $M$  into  $R$  from infinity

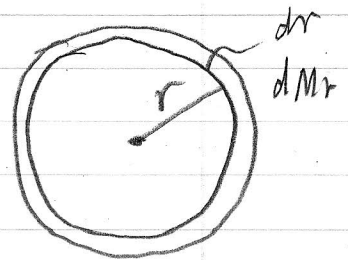
- OR, energy needed to disperse  $M$  into infinity

$\Omega = 0$  all dispersed

$\Omega < 0$  assembled, contracted to a star

\* move shell  $dM_r$  from  $r$  to  $\infty$

$$d\Omega = \int_r^{\infty} F_g dr' = - \int_r^{\infty} \frac{GM_r dM_r}{r'^2} dr'$$



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$$\boxed{d\Omega = - \frac{GM_r dM_r}{r}}$$

gravitational energy in mass shell  $dM_r$

$$\boxed{\Omega = \int d\Omega = - \int_0^M \frac{GM_r}{r} dM_r} \quad \text{--- (1.7)}$$

$$\Omega = -q \frac{GM^2}{R} \quad \text{--- (1.8)}$$

$q$  is a constant depending on density distribution

$q = \frac{3}{5}$  if uniform density.

\*  $\rho$  is uniform.

$$M_r = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \rho, \quad \rho = \frac{3M_r}{4\pi r^3}$$

$$dM_r = 4\pi r^2 \rho dr$$

$$\Omega = - \int_0^R \frac{G \cdot \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \rho}{r} \cdot 4\pi r^2 \rho dr$$

$$\Omega = - \frac{16\pi^2}{3} \rho^2 G \int_0^R r^4 dr$$

$$= - \frac{16}{15} \pi^2 \rho^2 R^5 G$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Omega = - \frac{3}{5} \frac{GM^2}{R}} \quad \text{for } \rho = \text{const}$$

$$\Omega_0 \approx 3.8 \times 10^{48} \text{ erg}$$



\*  $\delta\Omega$ , perturbation only on the position, not the mass

$$\delta\Omega = -\delta \int_0^M \frac{GM_r}{r} dM_r = -\int_0^M \left( \frac{1}{r+\delta r} - \frac{1}{r} \right) GM_r dM_r$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \frac{1}{r+\delta r} &= \frac{1}{r} \frac{1}{\left(1+\frac{\delta r}{r}\right)} = \frac{1}{r} \left(1 - \frac{\delta r}{r}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{r} - \frac{\delta r}{r^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta\Omega = \int_0^M \frac{GM_r}{r^2} \delta r dM_r$$

\*  $U$ : total internal energy:  
random kinetic energy of particles  
or thermal energy of particles

$$U = \int_0^M E dM_r \quad \text{--- (1.6)}$$

$E$ : local mass-specific internal energy density  
(erg g<sup>-1</sup>)

Internal energy density sometimes in volume cm<sup>-3</sup>  
 $E$  (volume-specific) =  $E$  (mass-specific)  $\times \rho$

$$\delta U = \int_0^M \delta E dM_r$$

\* First Law of thermal dynamics

$$dQ = dE + P dV_p$$

heat (erg g<sup>-1</sup>)    internal energy (erg g<sup>-1</sup>)    work done by gas on the system (erg g<sup>-1</sup>)

$V_p = \frac{1}{\rho}$  (cm<sup>3</sup> g<sup>-1</sup>): specific volume

Adiabatic assumption  $dQ = 0$

$$\Rightarrow dE = -P dV_p$$

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$$\delta E = -P \delta V_p$$

$$V_p = \frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{4\pi r^2 dr}{dm} = \frac{d\left(\frac{4\pi r^3}{3}\right)}{dM_r}$$

$$\delta V_p = \delta\left(\frac{d\left(\frac{4\pi r^3}{3}\right)}{dM_r}\right) = \frac{d(4\pi r^2 \delta r)}{dM_r}$$

$$\delta U = -\int_m P \frac{d(4\pi r^2 \delta r)}{dM_r} dM_r$$

Integration by parts

$$\delta U = -p \cdot 4\pi r^2 \delta r \Big|_0^M + \int 4\pi r^2 \delta r dp$$

At center,  $\delta r = 0$ , center is not allowed to move in spherical geometry

At surface  $M_r = M_R$ , "zero-boundary condition for pressure",  $P = 0$

$$\delta U = \int 4\pi r^2 \delta r \frac{dp}{dm} dm$$

$$\star (\delta W)_{ad} = (\delta \Omega) + (\delta U)_{ad}$$

$$= \int_m \left[ \frac{GM_r}{r^2} + 4\pi r^2 \frac{dp}{dM_r} \right] \delta r dM_r$$

hydrostatic equilibrium  $(\delta W) = 0$  for any  $\delta r$

$\Rightarrow$  integrand = 0

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dM_r} = -\frac{GM_r}{4\pi r^2} \quad \text{--- (1.16)}$$