

1. a)

Star A has twice the trigonometric parallax angle as B means that

$$P_A = 2P_B$$

Recall

$$d[pc] = \frac{1}{P[\text{arcsec}]} \quad \left. \right\} \text{parallax formula}$$

$$\frac{d_A}{d_B} = \frac{\frac{1}{P_A}}{\frac{1}{P_B}} = \frac{P_B}{P_A} = \frac{P_B}{2P_B} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Star A is  $\frac{1}{2}$  as far away as star B

b) What are their relative brightnesses?

$$f = \frac{L}{4\pi d^2} \quad \left. \right\} \text{formula for flux/apparent Brightness}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f_A}{f_B} &= \frac{\frac{L_A}{4\pi d_A^2}}{\frac{L_B}{4\pi d_B^2}} = \frac{L_A}{L_B} \cdot \frac{4\pi d_B^2}{4\pi d_A^2} \\ &= \frac{d_B^2}{d_A^2} \quad \text{since } L_A = L_B \end{aligned}$$

Remember from part (g)

$$\frac{d_A}{d_B} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{d_B}{d_A} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f_A}{f_B} = \left(\frac{d_B}{d_A}\right)^2 = (2)^2 = 4$$

Therefore star A is 4 times brighter than star B.

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2. In the H-R diagram  
stellar Luminosity is plotted against  
stellar surface temperature.

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3.  $d[pc] = \frac{1}{P[\text{arcsec}]} \quad P = 2 \text{ arcsec.}$

$$d = \frac{1}{\sum PC}$$

$$4d \quad T_C = 2000K$$

$$T_D = 6000K$$

### Detailed Analysis

You know Hotter objects emit more energy so the star D must emit more energy per unit surface area

Stefan-Boltzmann Law

$$\text{emitted power (per m}^2) = \sigma T^4$$

$\sigma$  is a constant equal to  $5.7 \times 10^{-8} \frac{\text{watt}}{\text{m}^2 \times \text{K}^4}$   
 (you don't need to know this #)

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Let's call  $j$  the symbol for emitted power per square meter

$$j_C = \sigma T_C^4$$

$$j_D = \sigma T_D^4$$

$$\frac{j_C}{j_D} = \frac{\sigma T_C^4}{\sigma T_D^4} = \left(\frac{T_C}{T_D}\right)^4$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4$$

$$= \frac{1}{81}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Star D emits 81 times more power per square meter than star C

4b) If star C and D have the same Luminosity and from 4a, we know star D is emitting more power per square meter, then we know star C must be bigger.

### Analysis

$$L = (\text{Surface Area}) \cdot (\text{Power per square meter})$$

$$= (4\pi R^2) \cdot (\sigma T^4)$$

Surface area of  
a sphere

staton - Boltzmann

$$L_C = L_D$$

$$T_C = 2000 \text{ K}$$

$$T_D = 6000 \text{ K}$$

$$1 = \frac{L_C}{L_D} = \frac{\cancel{4\pi\sigma} R_C^2 \cdot T_C^4}{\cancel{4\pi\sigma} R_D^2 \cdot T_D^4} \Rightarrow 1 = \frac{R_C^2 T_C^4}{R_D^2 \cdot T_D^4}$$
~~$$\Rightarrow \frac{R_D^2}{R_C^2} = \frac{T_C^4}{T_D^4}$$~~

16 continued

taking the square root of both sides

$$\frac{R_D}{R_C} = \frac{T_C^2}{T_D^2}$$

$$= \left( \frac{T_C}{T_D} \right)^2$$

$$T_C = 2000K$$

$$T_D = 6000K$$

$$= \left( \frac{2000}{6000} \right)^2$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^2$$

$$\frac{R_D}{R_C} = \frac{1}{9} \Rightarrow R_C = 9R_D$$

so star C has a radius 9 times  
that of star D

Sa Compare luminosities of star E and S or  
star E has lower surface temperature  
and twice the radius.  
Lower temperature means that star E  
is emitting less ~~power~~ per square meter  
but since the radius is larger it can't  
be determined ~~if~~ if the total  
luminosity is greater, smaller, or even  
equal.

Sb Can't compare masses because there  
isn't enough information

6) Surface temperature is the most  
important property that determines the  
strength of the hydrogen absorption  
lines

7) F stars parallax motion is due to  
the Earth's motion around the sun

8) Star A and B have identical spectral type  
but A is much redder than B  
So A must be the same temperature  
as B, but reddened by dust.

⇒ i. F star A has equal surface temp to B

ii. F Not necessarily

iii. F other way around - A is reddened by d

iv. F. Not necessarily

9) Star A has twice the surface temperature  
as B. We know more massive  
stars on the main sequence are  
hotter, bluer and brighter ~~so~~

⇒ i. true

ii. true

iii. true

iv. true

10. Alpha Centauri

4.37 light years away

II. i. False - A could just be closer

ii. True

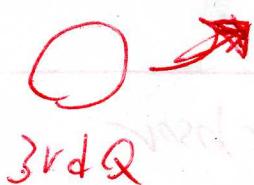
iii. False

iv. False

$$T = 2900 \text{ K}$$

$$\lambda_{\max} = \frac{29 \text{ cm} \cdot \text{K}}{T}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_{\max} &= \frac{29 \text{ cm} \cdot \text{K}}{2900 \text{ K}} \\ &= \frac{2.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}}{2.9 \times 10^3} \\ &= \boxed{10^{-6} \text{ m}}\end{aligned}$$



IF the moon is at your zenith at sunrise, the moon is in 3rd Q,

- 7 days later; New moon
- 14 days later } 1st Q
- 21 days later } Full

15 AM radio      longest wavelength  
FM radio  
Infrared  
Visible light  
X-rays      shortest wavelength

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or section 5.2  
"properties of light"

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16  $f = 10^5 \text{ Hz}$

$$c = 300,000 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s}}$$

$$f \cdot \lambda = c$$

$$\lambda = \frac{c}{f}$$

$$= \frac{3 \times 10^5 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s}}}{10^5 \cdot \frac{1}{\text{s}}} = [3 \text{ km}]$$