

1st Question “Pink”

1.1

$$\text{Period} = 3.0 \text{ days} = 2.6 \times 10^5 \text{ s}.$$

$$\text{Period} = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} \Rightarrow \omega = 2.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rad s}^{-1}.$$

1.2

Calling the minima in the diagram 1, $I_1/I_0 = \alpha = 0.90$ and $I_2/I_0 = \beta = 0.63$, we have:

$$\frac{I_0}{I_1} = 1 + \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right)^2 \left(\frac{T_2}{T_1}\right)^4 = \frac{1}{\alpha}$$

$$\frac{I_2}{I_1} = 1 - \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right)^2 \left(1 - \left(\frac{T_2}{T_1}\right)^4\right) = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

From above, one finds:

$$\frac{R_1}{R_2} = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{1-\beta}} \Rightarrow \frac{R_1}{R_2} = 1.6 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{T_1}{T_2} = \sqrt[4]{\frac{1-\beta}{1-\alpha}} \Rightarrow \frac{T_1}{T_2} = 1.4$$

2.1)

Doppler-Shift formula:

$$\frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda_0} \cong \frac{v}{c} \quad (\text{or equivalent relation})$$

$$\text{Maximum and minimum wavelengths: } \lambda_{1,\text{max}} = 5897.7 \text{ \AA}, \lambda_{1,\text{min}} = 5894.1 \text{ \AA} \\ \lambda_{2,\text{max}} = 5899.0 \text{ \AA}, \lambda_{2,\text{min}} = 5892.8 \text{ \AA}$$

Difference between maximum and minimum wavelengths:

$$\Delta\lambda_1 = 3.6 \text{ \AA}, \quad \Delta\lambda_2 = 6.2 \text{ \AA}$$

Using the Doppler relation and noting that the shift is due to twice the orbital speed:

$$v_1 = c \frac{\Delta\lambda_1}{2\lambda_0} = 9.2 \times 10^4 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_2 = c \frac{\Delta\lambda_2}{2\lambda_0} = 1.6 \times 10^5 \text{ m/s}$$

2.2) As the center of mass is not moving with respect to us:

$$\frac{m_1}{m_2} = \frac{v_2}{v_1} = 1.7$$

2.3)

Writing $r_i = \frac{v_i}{\omega}$ for $i = 1, 2$, we have

$$r_1 = 3.8 \times 10^9 \text{ m}, \quad r_2 = 6.5 \times 10^9 \text{ m}$$

2.4)

$$r = r_1 + r_2 = 1.0 \times 10^{10} \text{ m}$$

3.1)

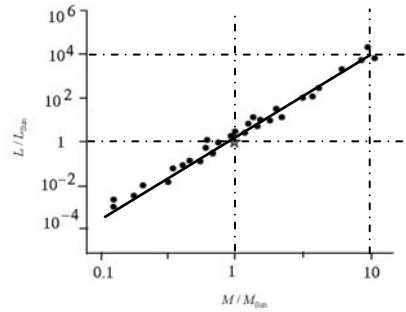
The gravitational force is equal to mass times the centrifugal acceleration

$$G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2} = m_1 \frac{v_1^2}{r_1} = m_2 \frac{v_2^2}{r_2}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{cases} m_1 = \frac{r^2 v_2^2}{G r_2} \\ m_2 = \frac{r^2 v_1^2}{G r_1} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} m_1 = 6 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg} \\ m_2 = 3 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg} \end{cases}$$

4.1) As it is clear from the diagram, with one significant digit, $\alpha = 4$.



4.2)

As we have found in the previous section: $L_i = L_{Sun} \left(\frac{M_i}{M_{Sun}} \right)^4$

So,

$$L_1 = 5 \times 10^{28} \text{ Watt}$$

$$L_2 = 6 \times 10^{27} \text{ Watt}$$

4.3) The total power of the system is distributed on a sphere with radius d to produce I_0 , that is:

$$I_0 = \frac{L_1 + L_2}{4\pi d^2} \Rightarrow d = \sqrt{\frac{L_1 + L_2}{4\pi I_0}} = 1 \times 10^{18} \text{ m} \\ = 100 \text{ ly.}$$

4.4)

$$\theta \cong \tan \theta = \frac{r}{d} = 1 \times 10^{-8} \text{ rad.}$$

4.5)

A typical optical wavelength is λ_0 . Using uncertainty relation:

$$D = \frac{d \lambda_0}{r_{tot}} = 50 \text{ m.}$$