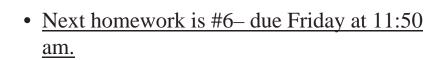


# As you come into class make sure to pick up a Linear **Diffraction Grating!**



lines/mm.

Make sure it says 500



There will be another make-up nighttime observing session in November. Stay tuned.

Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

### Outline

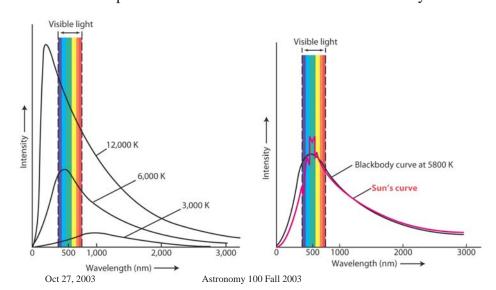
- Have we said enough about Blackbody radiation yet?
  - Wein's Law
  - Stephan-Boltzmann Law
- Back to atoms– again
- Quantum mechanical properties of the Atom– things get quantized
- How atoms absorb and emit light- Quantum Leaps
- Looking at atoms emit in class– Voyeurism
- The fingerprints or barcodes of atoms
- The Doppler effect— weeee weee



#### The Spectrum of Blackbody Radiation



- As temperature increases, peak shifts to shorter wavelengths
- The Sun's spectrum looks almost like a 5800 K blackbody



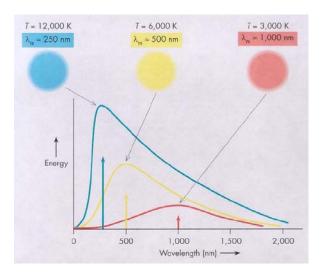
Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

#### Wein's Law



- The peak of the blackbody emission is inversely related to the temperature
- The hotter the object, the stronger it emits light in the shorter wavelengths.
- The Sun's Photosphere is around 5800 K
- Red hot? Or Blue hot? Color of stars?



Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

### Stephan-Boltzmann Law



- For blackbodies, the brightness, or intensity, or output energy, is proportional to T<sup>4</sup> (in Kelvin).
- If a star was the same size as the Sun, but was twice as hot, it would be 16 times as bright.

Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

#### Protons, neutrons, and electrons



Electrons

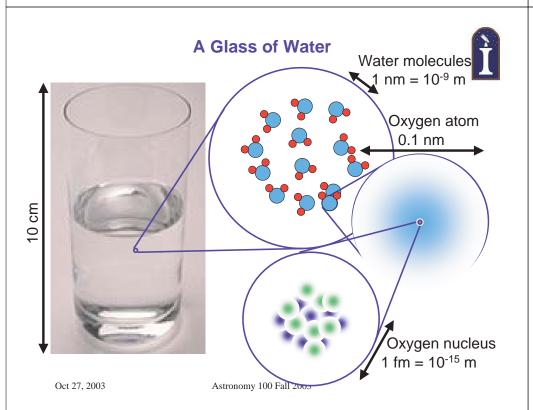
Negatively charged (charge -1) Lightweight (mass 9.110 x 10<sup>-28</sup> g)

Protons

Positively charged (charge +1) 1832 times as massive as an electron (mass 1.673 x 10<sup>-24</sup> g)

Neutrons
No electric charge

A little more massive than a proton (mass  $1.675 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$ )

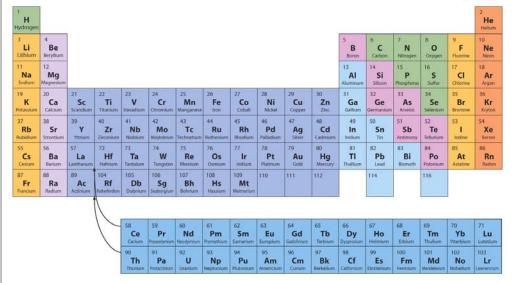


Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

#### The Periodic Table of the Elements





The number of protons in an atom determines the type of element Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

### Quantum Atoms



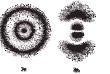
At small distances—the size of atoms

- Newton's laws fail
- Atoms & light obey quantum mechanics

Electron orbits nucleus + electron: like solar system?

- No: in quantum mechanics electrons are not really like a planet. It isn't gravity.
- In atom, the electron acts like wave !?!
- And not all orbits are allowed





Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

### **Quantum Atomic Structure**



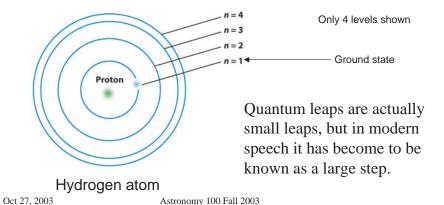
Allowed orbits

• Lowest energy

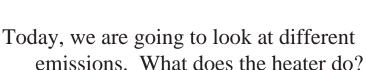
energy levels

stable orbit

- Closest to nucleus
- Ground state



## Question 1



- Emits a continuous spectrum of light
- Emits discrete colors of light
- Emits only reddish color light

Oct 27, 2003 Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

## Question 2



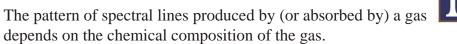
Today, we are going to look at different emissions. What does atom lamps do? These are "Neon" lamps with electrified gas and energized ("excited") atoms.

- 1. Emit a continuous spectrum of light
- 2. Emit discrete colors of light
- 3. Emit only white light

Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

### The Spectrum is a fingerprint!







Argon

Helium

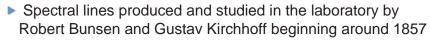
Mercury

Sodium

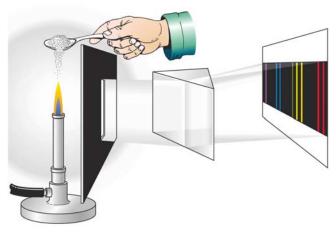
Neon

http://www.astro.washington.edu/astro101v

#### **Emission Lines in the Laboratory**



 Discovered that burning different chemical elements produced different patterns of lines

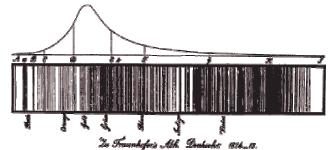


Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

#### Fraunhofer and Spectral Lines

Discovered that Sun's spectrum contained narrow gaps (**spectral lines**) when viewed at high resolution (1814)



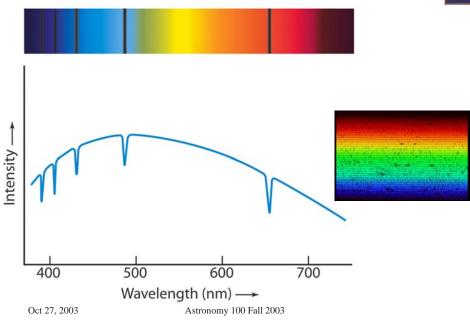
Joseph von Fraunhofer (1787-1826)



Prism spectrograph

#### Absorption Spectrum of the Sun





## Quantum Light: Photons



As we discussed before, just as electrons can sometimes act like waves light can sometimes act like particles—Photons

On small scales or low intensities

- Light acts like particle: "photon"
- Discrete "packet" of energy"
- Different colors bdifferent energies
- Smaller  $\lambda$ , higher E
- These packets of energy can effect the electron in an atom.

Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

### Light and Atoms



If light hits an atom in ground state and photon energy = atom energy level *exactly* 

- 1. atom absorbs photon
- 2. Electron jumps to higher level
- 3. Atom in "excited" state



**Ground State** 

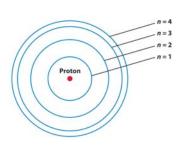
But excited = unstable And after time,

- 1. Electron jumps back to ground state
- 2. Emits photon with energy =difference between levels

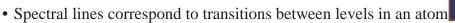


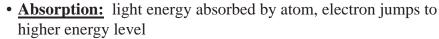
Atoms absorb/emit light

atom structure sets energies



#### Atomic Interpretation of Spectral Lines





• <u>Emission:</u> electron spontaneously drops down to lower energy level; releases energy as light



http://ircamera.as.arizona.edu/NatSci102/lectures/spectroscopy.ht

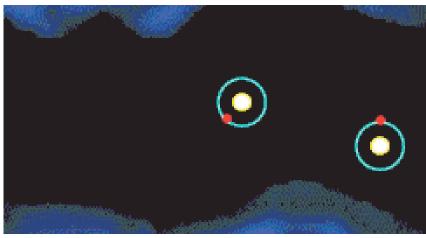
Oct 27, 2003

#### Collisional Excitation of Atoms

Ì

How do atoms get excited in the first place?

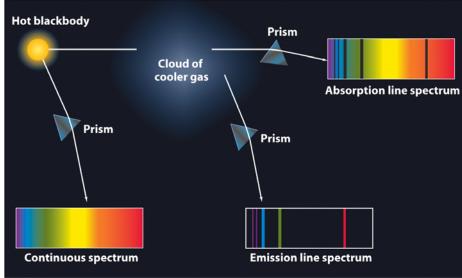
- •By **absorbing** photons; or
- •By **colliding** with other atoms



http://ircamera.as.arizona.edu/NatSci102/lectures/spectroscopy.htm Oct 27, 2003 Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

#### **Connection between Lines and Continuous Spectra**





http://www.astro.uiuc.edu/projects/data/Spectra/index.html

Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

### Implications: Spectra



Light spectrum gives atom "fingerprint" or "barcode"

So, the spectrum gives atomic composition

#### Planetary nebula:

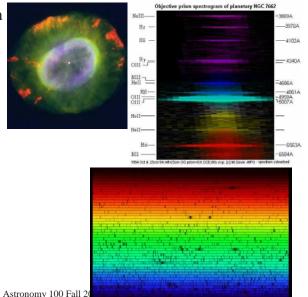
• Colors: <u>lines=elements</u>

• See newly created material!

#### Solar spectrum:

•Dark lines: elements

•Tells <u>composition</u> of Sun



## Doppler Effect



Those of you use to racing events like the Indy 500, or the sound of a police siren, are use to the Doppler effect.



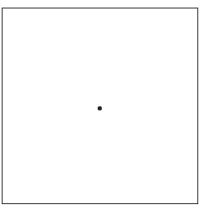
Oct 27, 2003

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

Oct 27, 2003

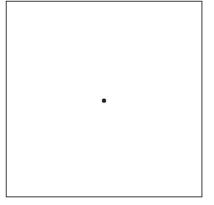
### The Doppler Effect

The effect arises from the relative motion of the observer and the source of light, sound, etc. The waves get squashed in the direction of motion and stretched in the opposite direction.



Source standing still

Oct 27, 2003



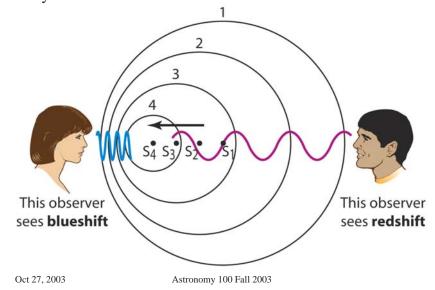
Source moving to right

Astronomy 100 Fall 2003

### The Doppler Effect

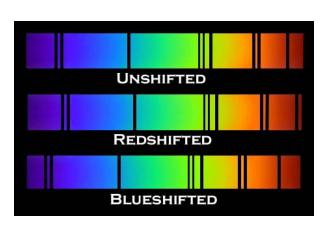


The amount of the shift in wavelength depends on the relative velocity of the source and the observer

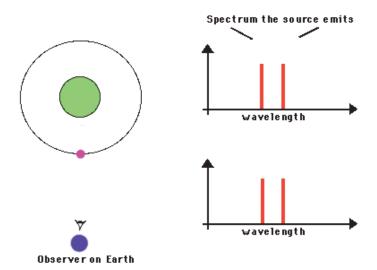


### Applying Doppler Shift to Light

We can use the Doppler shift as a shift in the wavelength of spectral lines to determine the speed of the source of light– either **toward** or **away** from us.



#### **Using Spectral Lines to Detect Line-of-Sight Motion**



#### **Proper Motions vs. Radial Motions**

- ▶ **Proper motion** is the part of an object's velocity perpendicular to the line of sight
- ► The Doppler shift only gives us the line-of-sight motion, not the proper motion

