

Off: Fridays 10:30 - 12:30

today: radiative transfer eqn, want specific intensity

in a vacuum, intensity is constant along ray

$$\frac{dI_\nu}{ds} = 0$$

constancy implies

flux $F \sim \frac{1}{r^2}$ S : geometrical path length

why is night sky dark?
→ Homer's Paradox

In matter, energy can be ^① removed, ^② added, & ^③ redirected

blue photons from Sun
get scattered → blue sky!

w/o scattering ^③, can modify rad. transfer eqn

$$\frac{dI_\nu}{ds} = -\alpha_\nu I_\nu + j_\nu$$

→ absorption coefficient

$\alpha = n \sigma_\nu$
 $\alpha = \rho K_\nu$
density / cross section
density / opacity
 $[\alpha] = L^{-1}$
prob of getting absorbed per unit length

emission coefficient
 $[j_\nu] = E L^{-1}$
energy lost per unit length

prob of atom changing energy levels

α & free absorption
& stimulated emission
→ proportional to # of photons

Elementary solns

① emission only: $\int \frac{dI_\nu}{ds} = \int j_\nu$

$$I_\nu(s) = I_{\nu,0}(s) + \int_0^s j_\nu(s') ds'$$

sum of all things added

② absorption only: $\frac{dI_\nu}{ds} = -\alpha I_\nu$

$$I_\nu(s) = I_{\nu,0}(s) \cdot \exp\left(-\int_0^s \alpha_\nu(s') ds'\right)$$

new variable!

$$d\tau = \alpha ds \rightarrow \tau = \int_{s_0}^s \alpha(s') ds'$$

↳ optical depth

$$\tau(0) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{d\tau} [I_\nu] = -I_\nu + S_\nu$$

$\tau > 0 \rightarrow$ optically thick, absorbed
 $\tau < 0 \rightarrow$ optically thin, adding energy

$$S_\nu = \frac{j_\nu}{\alpha_\nu}$$

↳ source fun
property of conditions of medium

emission
absorption

$W \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ Hz}^{-1}$
 $\text{cm} \text{ Hz}^{-1}$

$$I_\nu(\tau) = I_\nu(0) e^{-\tau} + \int_0^\tau e^{-(\tau-\tau')} S(\tau') d\tau'$$

example: S is constant $\rightarrow \tau > 0$

$$I_\nu(\tau) = S_\nu + e^{-\tau} (I_\nu(0) - S_\nu)$$

$$\text{if } I_\nu(0) > S \rightarrow \frac{dI}{d\tau} < 0$$

I decreases along a ray

$$\text{if } I_\nu(0) < S \rightarrow \frac{dI}{d\tau} > 0$$

I increases along a ray

conclusion: $I_\nu \rightarrow S$ as $\tau \rightarrow \infty$

temp characterizes thermal equilibrium of objects

Thermal Radiation \neq Blackbody Radiation

Radiation emitted by matter in thermal equilibrium

$$S = \frac{j}{\omega}$$

property of medium & material

Source function is universal fⁿ of temp only: $S = B_{\nu}(T)$
same functional form

Radiation that is in thermal equilibrium w/ matter

only leave material if

in equilibrium

enclosed within matter, bounces around until it is in thermal equilibrium
intensity is fⁿ of temp only: $I_{\nu} = B_{\nu}(T)$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Wcm}^{-2} \text{Hz}^{-1} \text{sr}^{-1}$$

thermal rad. tends to BB rad. w/ $\tau \rightarrow \infty$

Being in equilibrium: everything has same avg KE across all matter

Temp is fⁿ of KE

distribution for these particles \rightarrow must assume Maxwell-Boltzmann statistics

\rightarrow velocity! (Maxwellian)

E decreases exponentially

Cool, we know for the matter. What about for the photons?

What's distribution for the photons?

Rayleigh: equipartition of radiation & atoms

Planck: h energy to frequency

Einstein: assume gas has ground & 1st excited state
atoms can jump between

excited \rightarrow ground emission

assign % that if photon comes, may get absorbed

didn't get Planck's fⁿ!

assign % of ground \rightarrow excited
stimulated emission \propto proportional to intensity

20/15 later

discrete energy levels

Indian prof.: assumed photons are indistinguishable did something to Planck's f^m ?

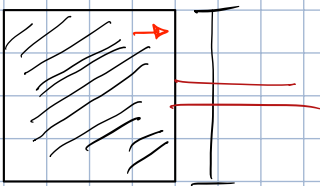
can't tell apart

Statistical mechanics

Bose: publish Einstein's work in English

Bose-Einstein vs Fermi-Dirac statistics

Derivation using thermal equilibrium



heat \swarrow $dQ = dU + p dV$
 work \swarrow dU \swarrow $p dV$
 pressure \swarrow p
 volume \swarrow dV

\rightarrow 1st law thermo.

entropy \nearrow $dS = \frac{dQ}{T}$

\rightarrow 2nd law thermo.

$u = u(T)$

energy unit/volume

radiation: $U = u V$

$p = \frac{u}{3}$

energy density

$du = \frac{du}{dT} dT \quad \text{w/c } u(T) = u$

$dS = \frac{1}{T} d(uV) + \frac{u}{3T} dV = \frac{1}{T} (u dV + V \frac{du}{dT} dT) + \frac{u}{3T} dV$

$= \frac{V}{T} \frac{du}{dT} dT + \frac{4u}{3T} dV$

if scalar Q exist st.

$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} = A \quad \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} = B$

$\rightarrow dQ = dx A + dy B = \nabla Q \cdot dx$

assume $\frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial y \partial x}$

b/c dS is perfect differential

$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\right)_V = \frac{V}{T} \frac{du}{dT} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T = \frac{4u}{3T}$

$\frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial T \partial V}$

work

$\frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial V \partial T}$

$\frac{du}{u} = \frac{4dT}{T}$

$\frac{du}{dT} = \frac{4u}{T}$

$\ln(u) = 4 \ln(T)$

$\ln(u) = \ln(T^4)$

$u = T^4 \cdot a$

a is proportion constant for radiations

$\rightarrow u(T) = a T^4$

Stefan-Boltzmann law

$\rightarrow F = \sigma T^4$