

THEORETICAL PART 2

1. The coordinates of the components of Visual Binary Star μ Sco on August 22, 2008 are given in the table below

	α (RA)	δ (Dec)
μ Sco 1 (primary)	20 ^h 17 ^m 38 ^s .90	-12° 30' 30"
μ Sco 2 (secondary)	20 ^h 18 ^m 03 ^s .30	-12° 32' 41"

The stars are observed using Zeiss refractor telescope at the Bosscha Observatory with aperture and focal length are 600 mm and 10,780 mm, respectively. The telescope is equipped with 765 $\times$ 510 pixels CCD camera. The pixel size of the chip is 9 μm $\times$ 9 μm .

- Can both components of the binary be inside the frame? (“YES” or “NO”, show it in your computation!)
- What is the position angle of the secondary star, with respect to the North?

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a. Chip size: } (9 \times 765) \mu\text{m} \times (9 \times 510) \mu\text{m} &= 6885 \mu\text{m} \times 4590 \mu\text{m} \\ &\approx 6.9 \text{ mm} \times 4.6 \text{ mm} \end{aligned} \quad (10\%)$$

For Zeiss telescope: FL = 10780 mm

$$\text{Pixel size (arc sec)} = 206265 \times \text{pixel size } (\mu\text{m}) / (1000 \times \text{focal length (mm)}) \quad (10\%)$$

$$= 206265 \times 9 / (1000 \times 10780) = 0.1722'' \quad (10\%)$$

$$\text{FOV CCD chip} = (765 \times 510) \times 0.1722 = 131.7330 \times 87.8220''$$

$$= 2.1956 \times 1.4637' \quad (10\%)$$

$$\text{For } \mu \text{ Sco 1 : } \alpha_1 = 20^{\text{h}} 17^{\text{m}} 38^{\text{s}}.90 = 20.2941^{\text{h}} = 304.4121^\circ$$

$$\delta_1 = -12^\circ 30' 30'' = -12.5083^\circ$$

$$\text{For } \mu \text{ Sco 2 : } \alpha_2 = 20^{\text{h}} 18^{\text{m}} 03^{\text{s}}.30 = 20.3009^{\text{h}} = 304.5138^\circ$$

$$\delta_2 = -12^\circ 32' 41'' = -12.5447^\circ$$

Let the angular separation between the stars be γ

Use spherical trigonometry :

$$\cos \gamma = \cos(90^\circ - \delta_1) \cos(90^\circ - \delta_2) + \sin(90^\circ - \delta_1) \sin(90^\circ - \delta_2) \cos(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1) \quad (10\%)$$

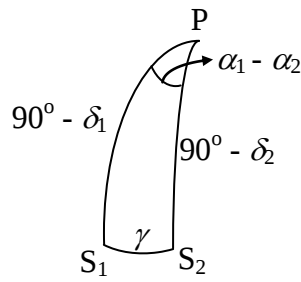
$$\cos \gamma = \cos(90^\circ - (-12^\circ.5083)) \cos(90^\circ - (-12^\circ.5447)) +$$

$$\sin(90^\circ - (-12^\circ.5083))\sin(90^\circ - (-12^\circ.5447))\cos(304.5138^\circ - 304.4121^\circ)$$

$$\cos \gamma = \cos(102.5083^\circ)\cos(102.5447^\circ) +$$

$$\sin(102.5083^\circ)\sin(102.5447^\circ)\cos(0.1017^\circ) = 0.999998298 \quad (10\%)$$

$$\gamma = 0.1057^\circ = 6.3424'$$



NO, because $\gamma > \sqrt{2.1956^2 + 1.4637^2}$ (diagonal of FOV Chip). (10%)

b. Position angle (S_1):

$$\frac{\sin(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)}{\sin \gamma} = \frac{\sin S_1}{\sin(90^\circ - \delta_2)}$$

$$\sin S_1 = \frac{\sin(0^\circ 6' 6'')\sin(102^\circ 32' 41'')}{\sin(6'.1020)} = 0.9388$$

$$S_1 = 69.8535^\circ \text{ or } 110.1466^\circ \quad (20\%)$$

From the figure above, we found that the correct position angle is 110.15° (10%)

($\pm 6^\circ$ is full mark)

2. A *UBV* photometric (*UBV* Johnson's) observation of a star gives $U = 8.15$, $B = 8.50$, and $V = 8.14$. Based on the spectral class, one gets the intrinsic color $(U - B)_0 = -0.45$. If the star is known to have radius of $2.3 R_\odot$, absolute bolometric magnitude of -0.25 , and bolometric correction (BC) of -0.15 , determine:
- the intrinsic magnitudes U , B , and V of the star (take, for the typical interstellar matters, the ratio of total to selective extinction $R = 3.2$),
 - the effective temperature of the star,
 - the distance to the star.

Solution:

$$U = 8.15, B = 8.50, \text{ and } V = 8.14.$$

$$(U - B)_0 = -0.45. \quad R = 2.3 R_\odot = 1.60 \times 10^{11} \text{ cm},$$

$$M_{bol} = -0.25, BC = -0.15$$

a) $U - B = 8.15 - 8.50 = -0.35$

The color excess for $U-B$:

$$E(U - B) = (U - B) - (U - B)_0 = -0.35 - (-0.45) = 0.10$$

The relation between color excess of $U - B$ and of $B - V$:

$$E(U - B) = 0.72 E(B - V) \iff E(B - V) = 0.10/0.72 = 0.14 \quad (15\%)$$

Let A_V be the interstellar extinction and $R = 3.2$, then

$$A_V = 3.2 E(B - V) = 3.2 (0.14) = 0.45$$

$$V - V_0 = A_V \iff V_0 = V - A_V = 8.14 - 0.45 = 7.69$$

$$E(B - V) = (B - V) - (B - V)_0 \iff (B - V)_0 = (B - V) - E(B - V) \\ = (8.50 - 8.14) - 0.14 = 0.22 \quad (15\%)$$

$$(B - V)_0 = B_0 - V_0 = 0.22 \iff B_0 = 0.22 + V_0 = 0.22 + 7.69 = 7.91 \quad (10\%)$$

$$(U - B)_0 = U_0 - B_0 = -0.45 \iff U_0 = B_0 - 0.45 = 7.91 - 0.45 = 7.46 \quad (10\%)$$

b) Luminosity - absolute magnitude relation:

$$M_{bol} - M_{bol\odot} = -2.5 \log L/L_\odot \iff L/L_\odot = 10^{-(M_{bol} - M_{bol\odot})/2.5} \\ = 10^{-(-0.25 - 4.75)/2.5} \\ = 100 \quad (10\%)$$

$$L = 100 L_\odot = 3.90 \times 10^{35} \text{ erg/det}$$

$$L = 4\pi\sigma R^2 T_{ef}^4$$

$$T_{ef} = \left(\frac{L}{4\pi\sigma R^2} \right)^{1/4} = \left(\frac{3.90 \times 10^{35}}{4\pi(5.67 \times 10^{-5})(1.60 \times 10^{11})^2} \right)^{1/4} = 12\,092 \text{ K} \quad (15\%)$$

c) $M_V - M_{bol} = BC \iff M_V = M_{bol} + BC = -0.25 - 0.15 = -0.40 \quad (10\%)$

$$m_V - M_V = -5 + 5 \log d + A_V \iff 5 \log d = m_V - M_V + 5 - A_V \\ = 8.14 + 0.40 + 5 - 0.45 = 13.09$$

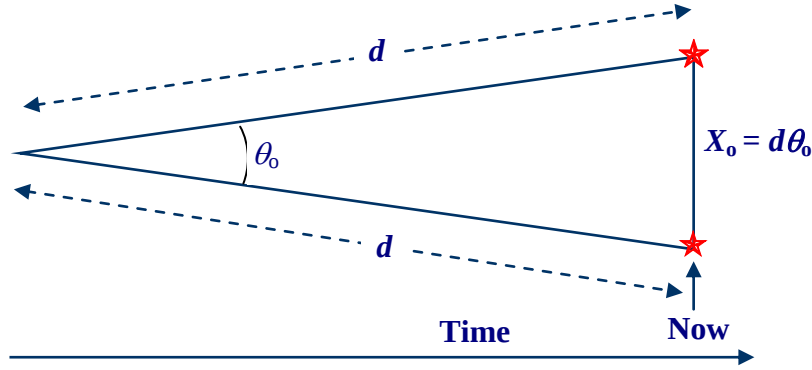
$$d = 10^{13.09/5} = 10^{2.62} = 414.9 \text{ pc} \quad (15\%)$$

3. Measurement of the cosmic microwave background radiation (CMB) shows that its temperature is practically the same at every point in the sky to a very high degree of accuracy. Let us assume that light emitted at the moment of recombination ($T_r \approx 3000 \text{ K}$, $t_r \approx 300000 \text{ years}$) is only reaching us now ($T_o \approx 3 \text{ K}$, $t_o \approx 1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ years}$). Scale factor S is defined as such $S_0 = S(t = t_o) = 1$ and $S_t = S(t < t_o) < 1$. Note that the radiation dominated period was between the time when the inflation stopped

($t = 10^{-32}$ seconds) and the time when the recombination took place, while the matter dominated period started at the recombination time. During the radiation dominated period S is proportional to $t^{1/2}$, while during the matter dominated period S is proportional to $t^{3/2}$.

- Estimate the horizon distances when recombination took place. Assume that temperature T is proportional to $1/S$, where S is a scale factor of the size of the Universe.
- Consider two objects which are currently observed at a separation angle $\alpha = 5^\circ$. Could the two objects communicate each other using photon? (Answer with “YES” or “NO” and give the reason mathematically)
- Estimate the size of our Universe at the end of inflation period.

Solution:



a) $X_0 = d\theta_0$

where $d = c(t_o - t_r) \approx ct_o$, $t_o \gg t_r$.

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Maximum distance between objects at the time of recombination

$$X_r = S_r X_0 = S_r \theta_0 t_o c$$

On the other hand $X_r = ct_r$, such that

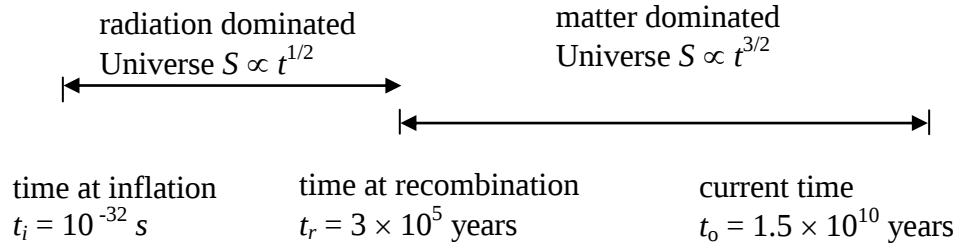
$$ct_r = S_r \theta_0 t_o c \quad \text{or} \quad \theta_0 = \frac{t_r}{S_r t_o} \quad (20\%)$$

From $T \propto \frac{1}{S}$ then $\frac{S_o}{S_r} = \frac{T_r}{T_o}$ and $\frac{1}{S_r} = \frac{T_r}{T_o}$.

$$\text{So, } \theta_0 = \frac{t_r T_r}{t_o T_o} = \frac{(3 \times 10^5 \text{ yr})(3000 \text{ K})}{(1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ yr})(3 \text{ K})} = 2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ rad} = 1.14^\circ \quad (20\%)$$

b) NO, because $\alpha > \theta_o$ (20%)

c)



From the time at recombination (t_r) to the current time (t_o) $S \propto t^{2/3}$, we derive

$$\frac{S_o}{S_r} = \left(\frac{t_o}{t_r} \right) = \left(\frac{1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ years}}{3 \times 10^5 \text{ years}} \right)^{2/3} = 1.36 \times 10^3$$

The size of our universe at t_r is

$$\frac{1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ light years}}{1.36 \times 10^3} = 1.11 \times 10^7 \text{ light years} \quad (20\%)$$

When the inflation stopped, the Universe was radiation dominated

($t_r = 3 \times 10^5 \text{ years}$ to $t_i = 10^{-32} s$), we get

$$\frac{S_r}{S_i} = \left(\frac{t_r}{t_i} \right)^{1/2} = \left(\frac{9.46 \times 10^{12} s}{10^{-32} s} \right)^{1/2} = 3.08 \times 10^{22}.$$

The size of universe at the end of the inflation period was

$$\frac{1.1 \times 10^7 \text{ light years}}{3.08 \times 10^{22}} = 3.57 \times 10^{-16} \text{ light years} \approx 3 m \quad (20\%)$$