

Stellar Structure Equations

As given in lecture:

As used in a stellar evolution code:

[Lagrangian (mass) coordinates]

$$1. \quad \frac{dm}{dr} = \rho 4\pi r^2$$

$$\frac{dr}{dm} = \frac{1}{\rho 4\pi r^2}$$

$$2. \quad \frac{dp}{dr} = -g\rho$$

$$\frac{dp}{dm} = -\frac{g}{4\pi r^2} = -\frac{GM}{4\pi r^4}$$

$$3. \quad \frac{dL}{dr} = (\epsilon - T ds/dt) \rho 4\pi r^2$$

$$\frac{dL}{dm} = \epsilon - T ds/dt$$

$$4. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dT}{dr} = \frac{-3\kappa\rho L}{64\pi\sigma r^2 T^3} \quad \text{radiative} \\ \frac{dT}{dr} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\gamma}\right) \frac{T}{P} \frac{dP}{dr} \quad \text{convective} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{dT}{dm} = \frac{-3\kappa L}{256\pi^2\sigma r^4 T^3}$$

$$\frac{dT}{dm} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\gamma}\right) \frac{T}{P} \frac{dP}{dm}$$



Enclosed mass
is the independent
variable