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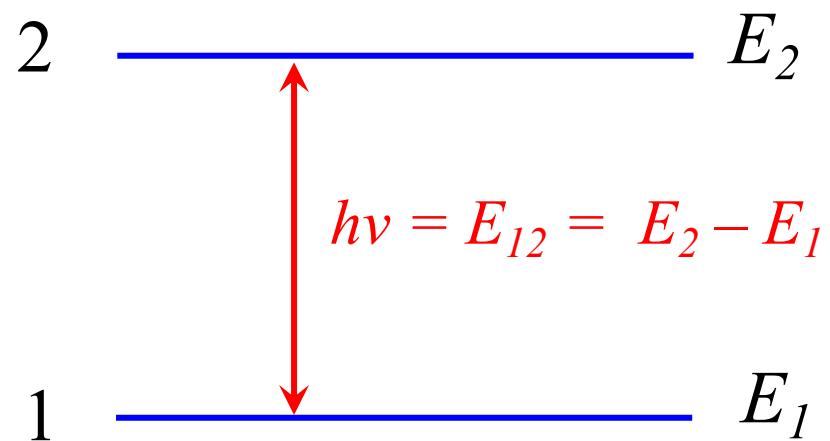
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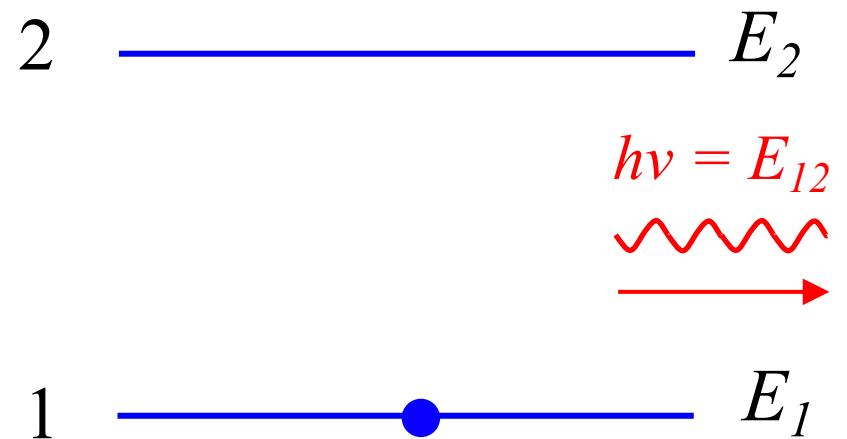
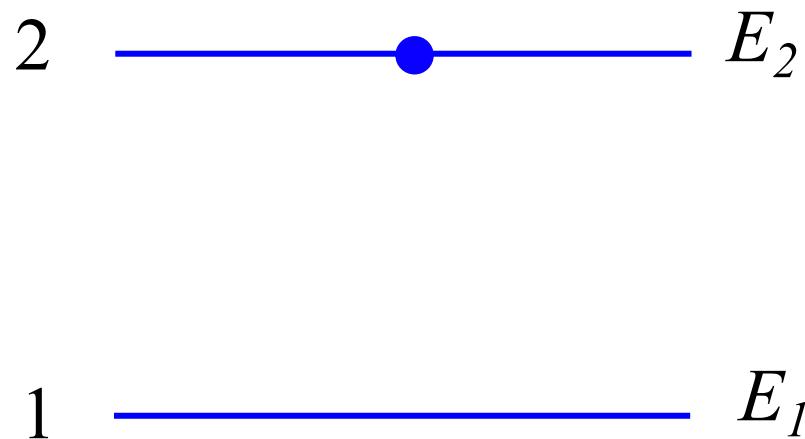
Saha

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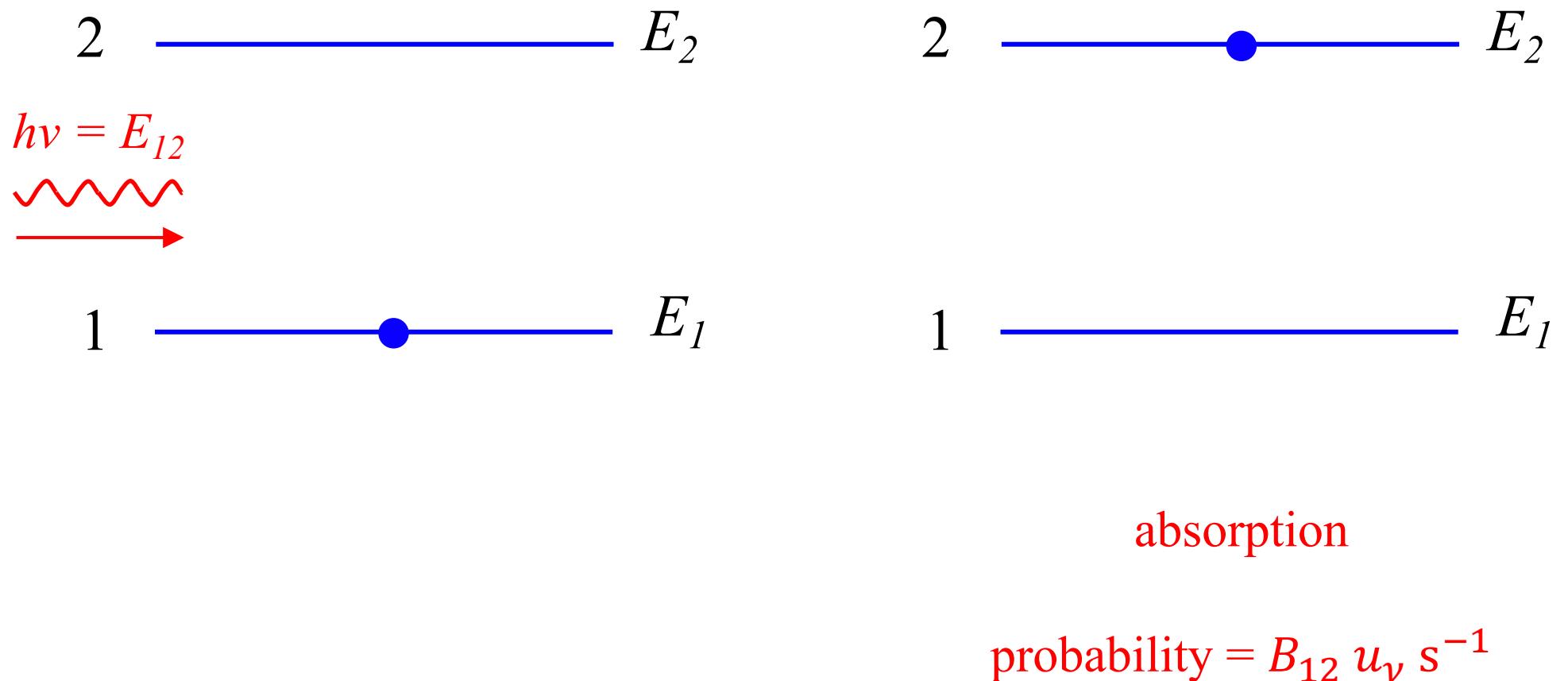
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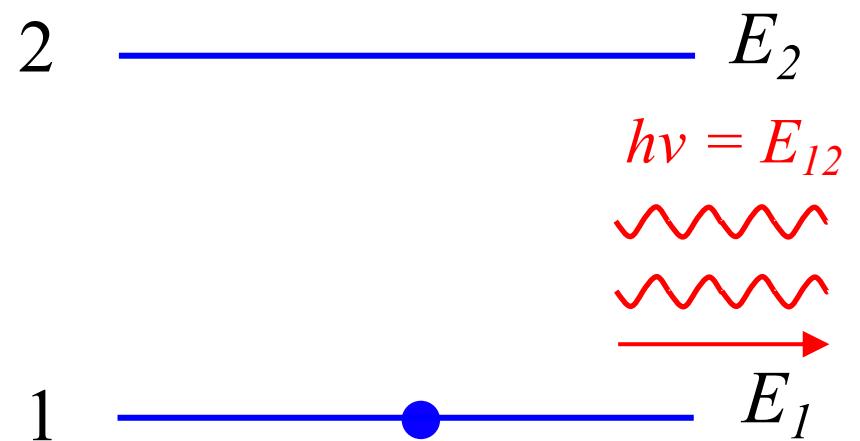
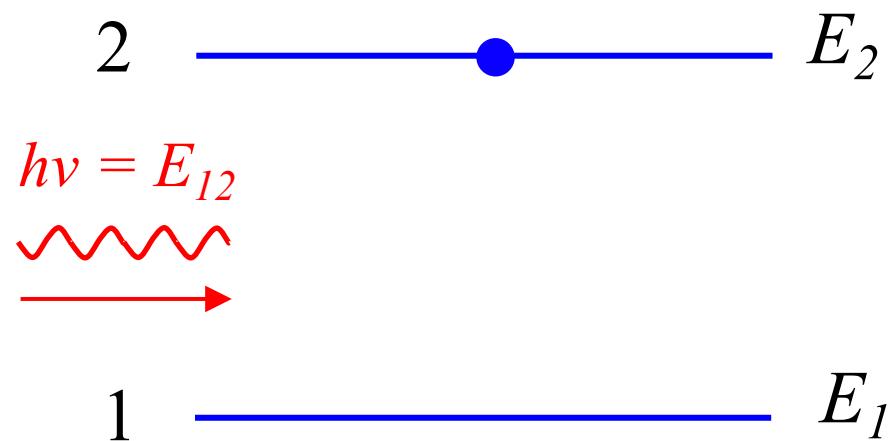
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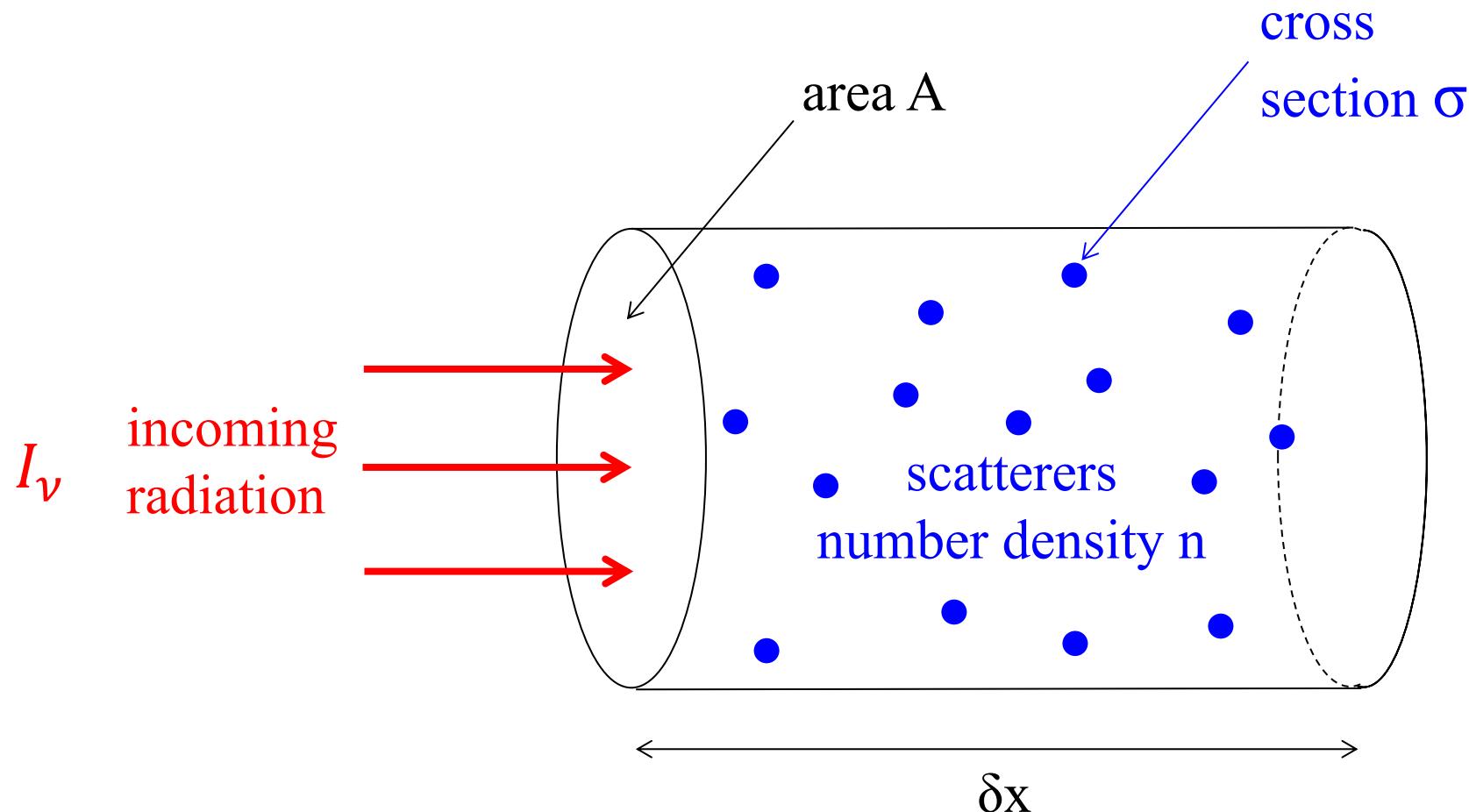
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Blackbody

$$u_\nu = \frac{8\pi h}{c^3} \frac{\nu^3}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1}$$



$$N_{\text{scatterers}} = A \delta x n$$

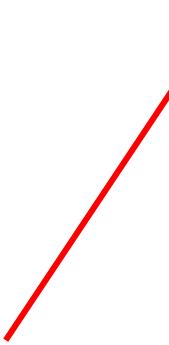
$$\text{area fraction} = \frac{A \delta x n \sigma}{A} = n \sigma \delta x$$

$$\frac{\delta I_\nu}{I_\nu} = -n \sigma \delta x$$

# Radiation Transfer Equation

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absorption processes



emission  
processes e.g.  
 $n_2 A_{21} E_{12} / 4\pi$

$\alpha_\nu = n\sigma_\nu$  ( $\sigma$  = cross section)

$\alpha_\nu = \rho\kappa_\nu$  ( $\kappa$  = opacity)

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$$\frac{dI_\nu}{dx} = -\alpha_\nu I_\nu \quad \begin{aligned} \tau &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \text{mean free path} \\ L &\sim 1/\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow I_\nu = I_{\nu,0} e^{-\tau_\nu}$$

where  $\tau_\nu = \int \alpha_\nu dx = \text{optical depth}$

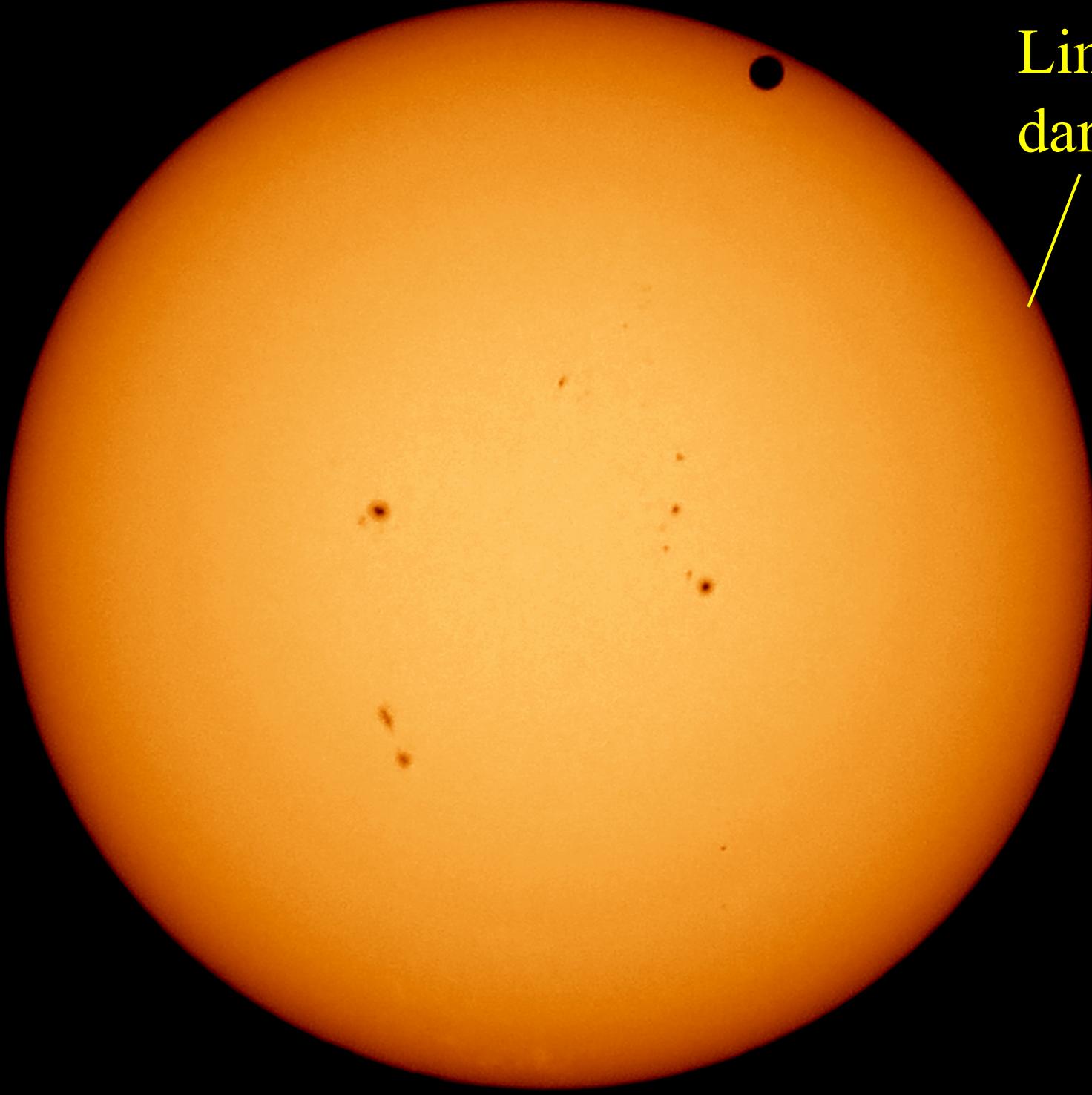
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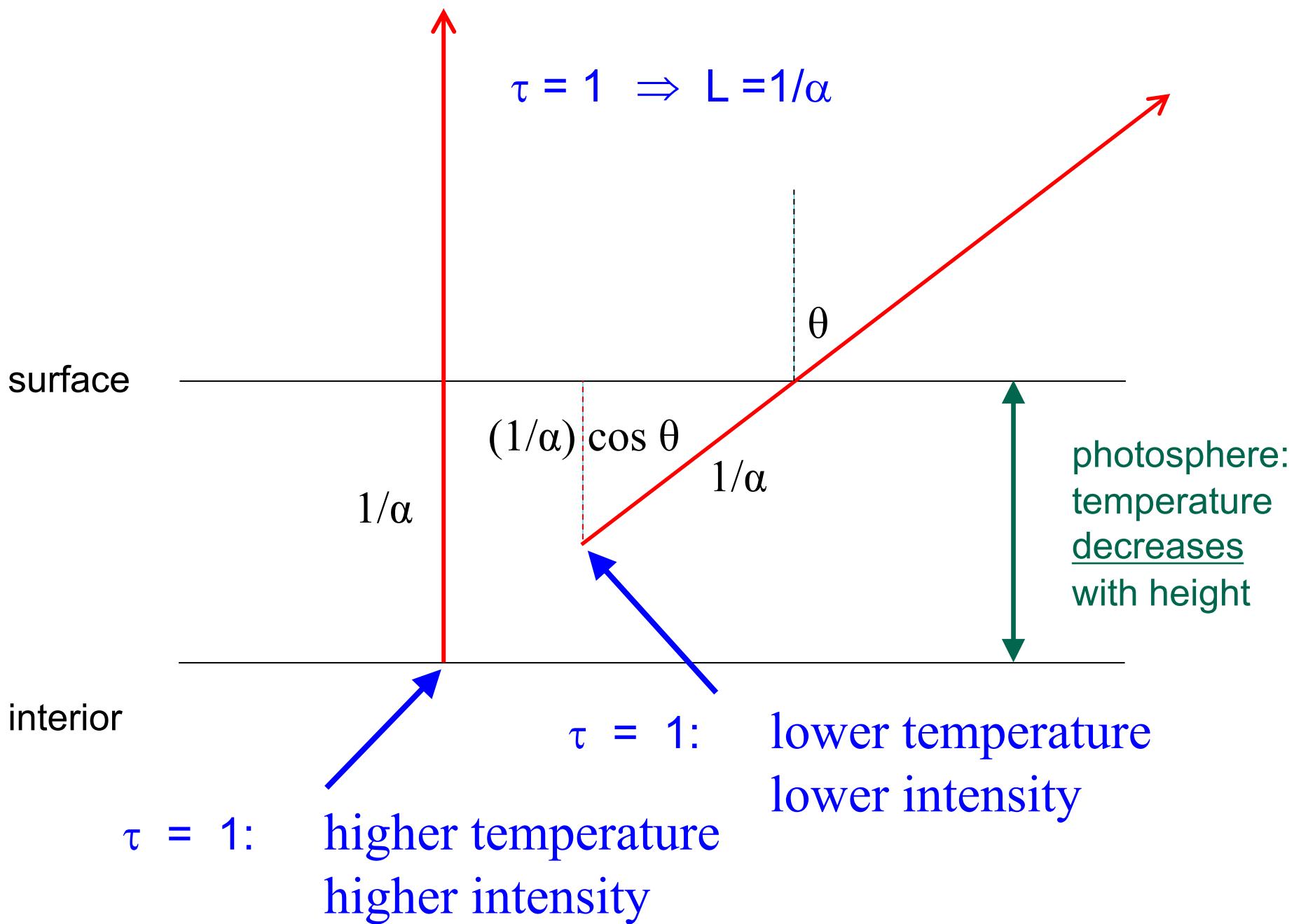
$$I_\nu \approx \int j_\nu \, dx$$

$$\sim j_\nu L$$

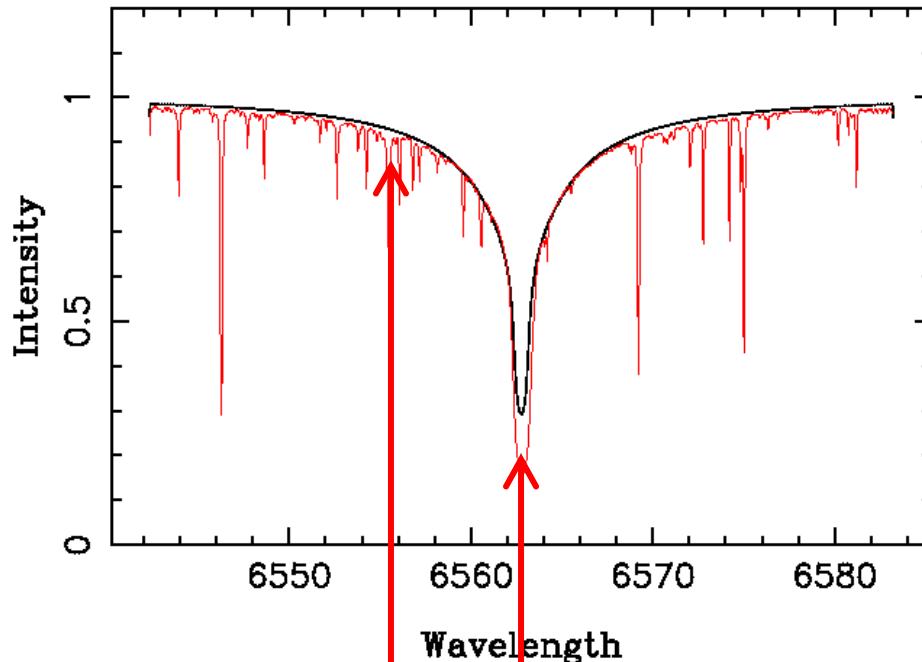


Limb  
darkening





$$\tau = 1 \Rightarrow L = 1/\alpha$$



surface

low  $\alpha$ ,  
large  $L$

large  $\alpha$ ,  
small  $L$

interior

$\tau = 1:$  higher temp.  
higher intensity

$\tau = 1:$

lower temp.  
lower intensity

photosphere:  
temperature  
decreases  
with height

# Solar Properties

$$D_{\odot} = 1 \text{ AU} = 1.5 \times 10^8 \text{ km}$$

$$M_{\odot} = 2.0 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$$

$$R_{\odot} = 7.0 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$$

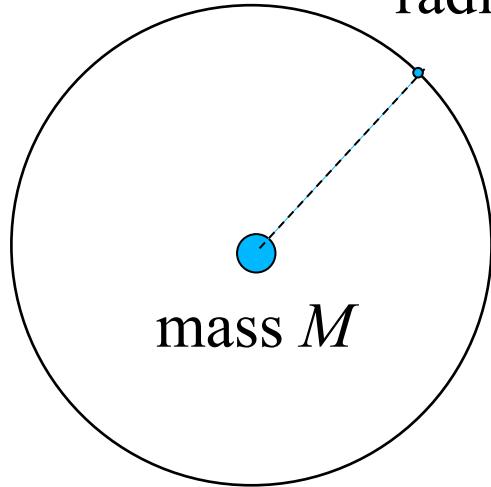
$$\rho_{\odot} = 1400 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$L_{\odot} = 3.8 \times 10^{26} \text{ W}$$

$$T_{\odot} = 5800 \text{ K}$$

$$t_{\odot} = 4.5 \times 10^9 \text{ yr}$$

# Free-Fall Time



radius  $r = R$

$$\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} = a_r = -\frac{GM}{r^2}$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2}v_r^2 - \frac{GM}{r} = -\frac{GM}{R}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{dr}{dt}\right)^2 = \frac{GM}{r} - \frac{GM}{R}$$

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = -\left[2GM\left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{R}\right)\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{dt}{dr} = -\left[2GM\left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{R}\right)\right]^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow t_{ff} = - \int_R^0 \left[2GM\left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{R}\right)\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} dr = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{GM}{R^3}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

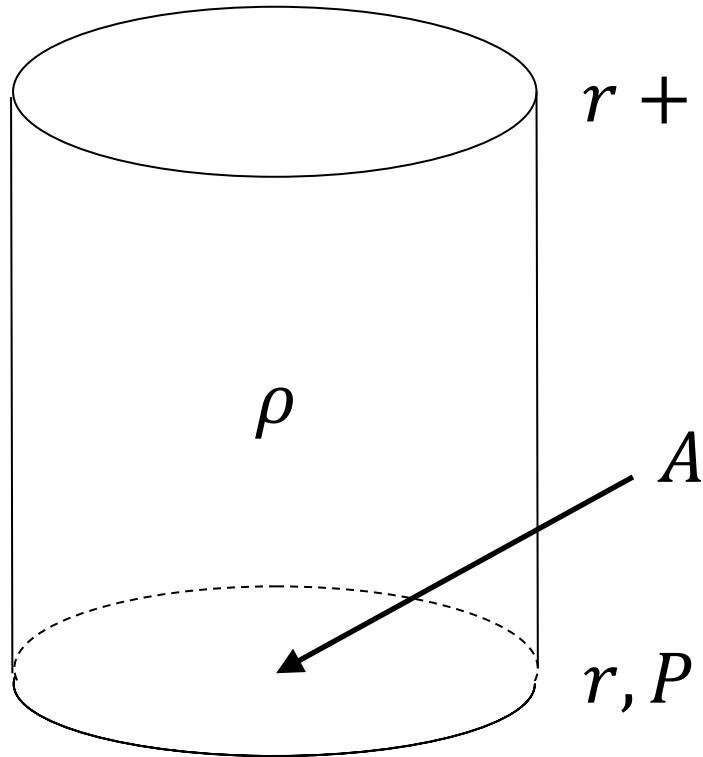
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$$t_{\text{ff}} = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{GM}{R^3} \right)^{-1/2} = 29.5 \text{ min for the Sun}$$

$$t_{\text{orb}} = 2\pi \left( \frac{GM}{R^3} \right)^{-1/2}$$

$$t_{\text{ff}} = \sqrt{\frac{3\pi}{32}} (G\bar{\rho})^{-1/2}$$

# Hydrostatic Equilibrium



$$r + \delta r, P + \delta P$$

$$r, P$$

$$A$$

$$\delta m = A\delta r \rho$$

$$F_p = -A\delta P$$

$$F_g = \frac{GM(r)\delta m}{r^2}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{GM(r)\rho(r)}{r^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dP}{dr} &= - \frac{GM\rho}{r^2} \\
\frac{dM}{dr} &= 4\pi r^2 \rho \\
\frac{dT}{dr} &= - \frac{3\kappa\rho L}{16\pi acr^2 T^3} \\
\frac{dL}{dr} &= 4\pi r^2 \rho(\epsilon - \epsilon_\nu)
\end{aligned}$$