

Lecture 25

- Results from observations so far
- Third sample midterm exam
- More on convection

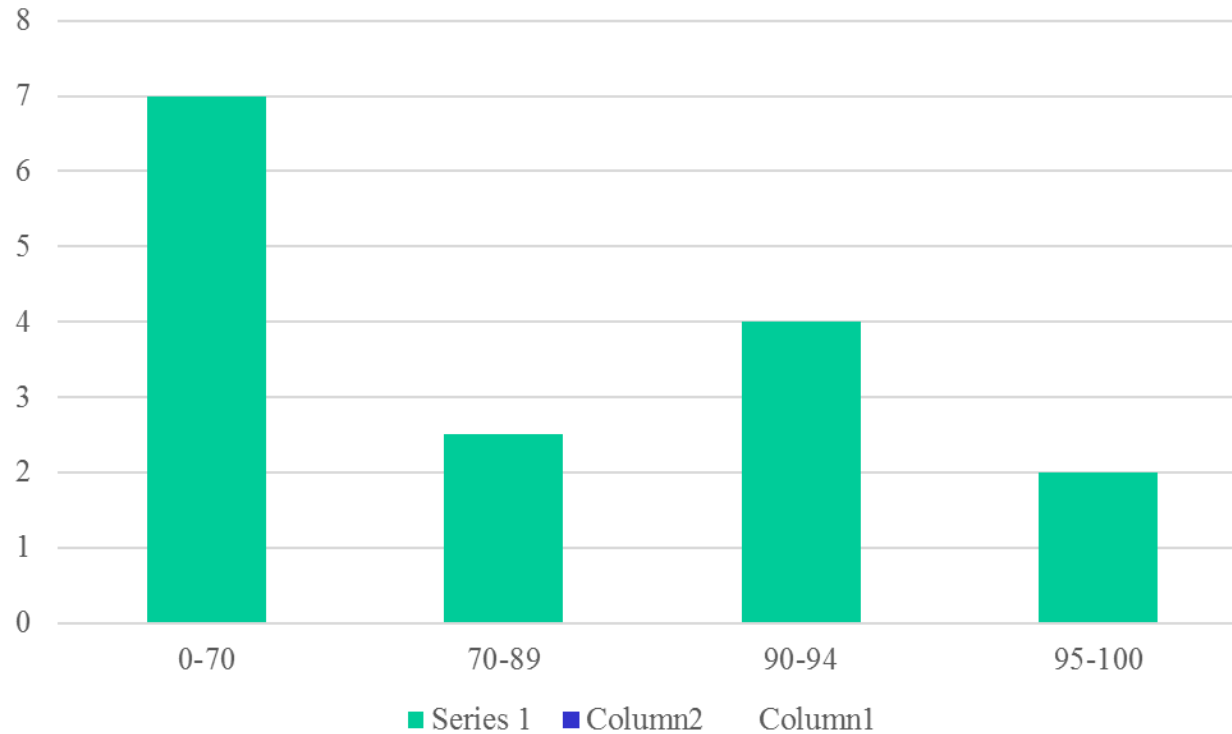
- Today: Boulder Solar Day (BSO)
 - no office hours today

Last time

- SBO observing sessions
- More on mean-field dynamos
- Second sample midterm exam

Homework

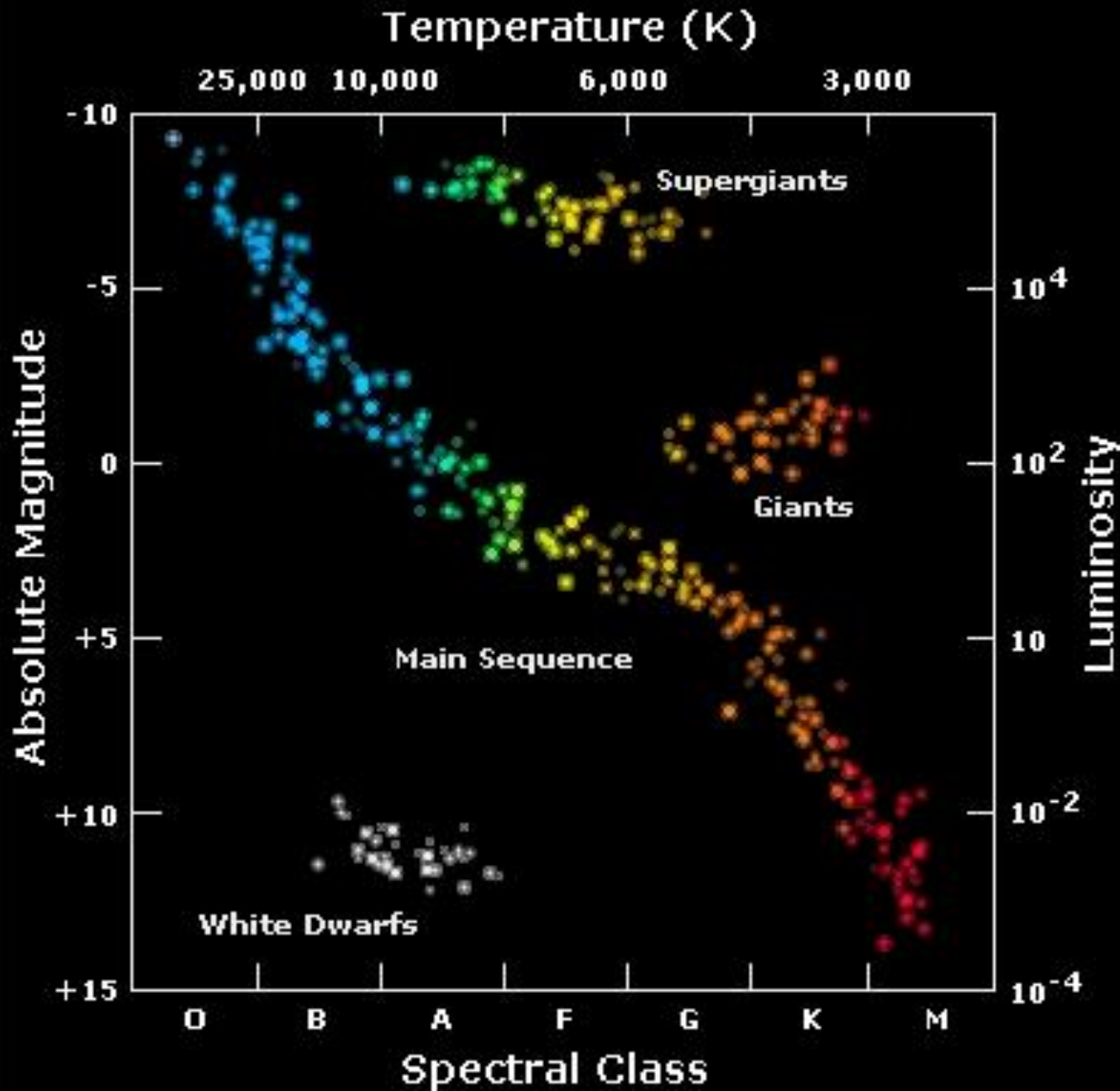
Homework 4



Review of second sample exam

- Solar luminosity: $4e26$ W
 - Neutrino flux $5e14/m^2/s$
- Sunspots & solar cycle
- Sound wave refraction
 - Lower turning point: evanescent

HR diagram

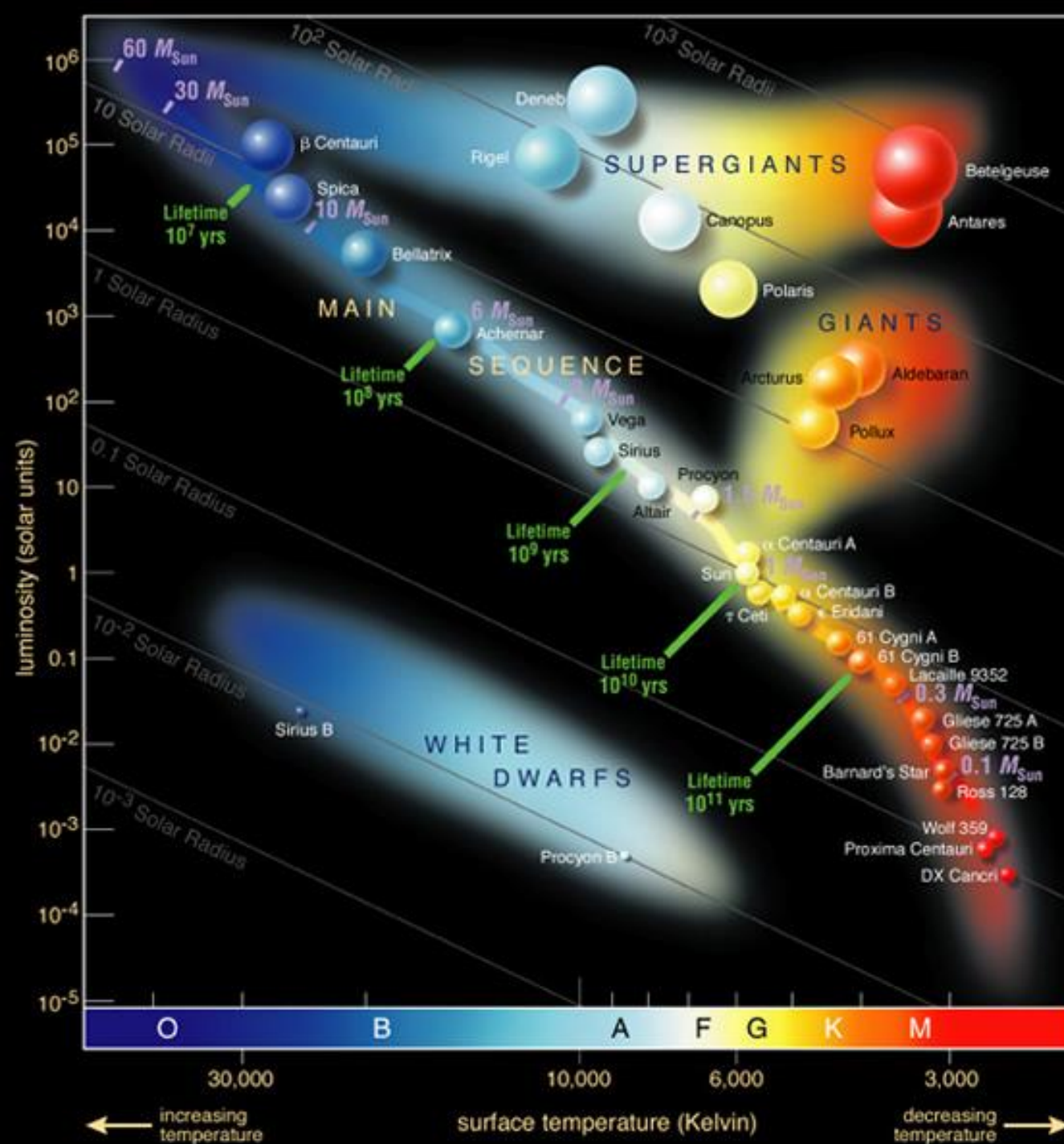


- $M = -2.5 \lg L/L_0$
- $M = M_{\text{bol}}$
- $L_0 = 3 \times 10^{28} \text{W}$

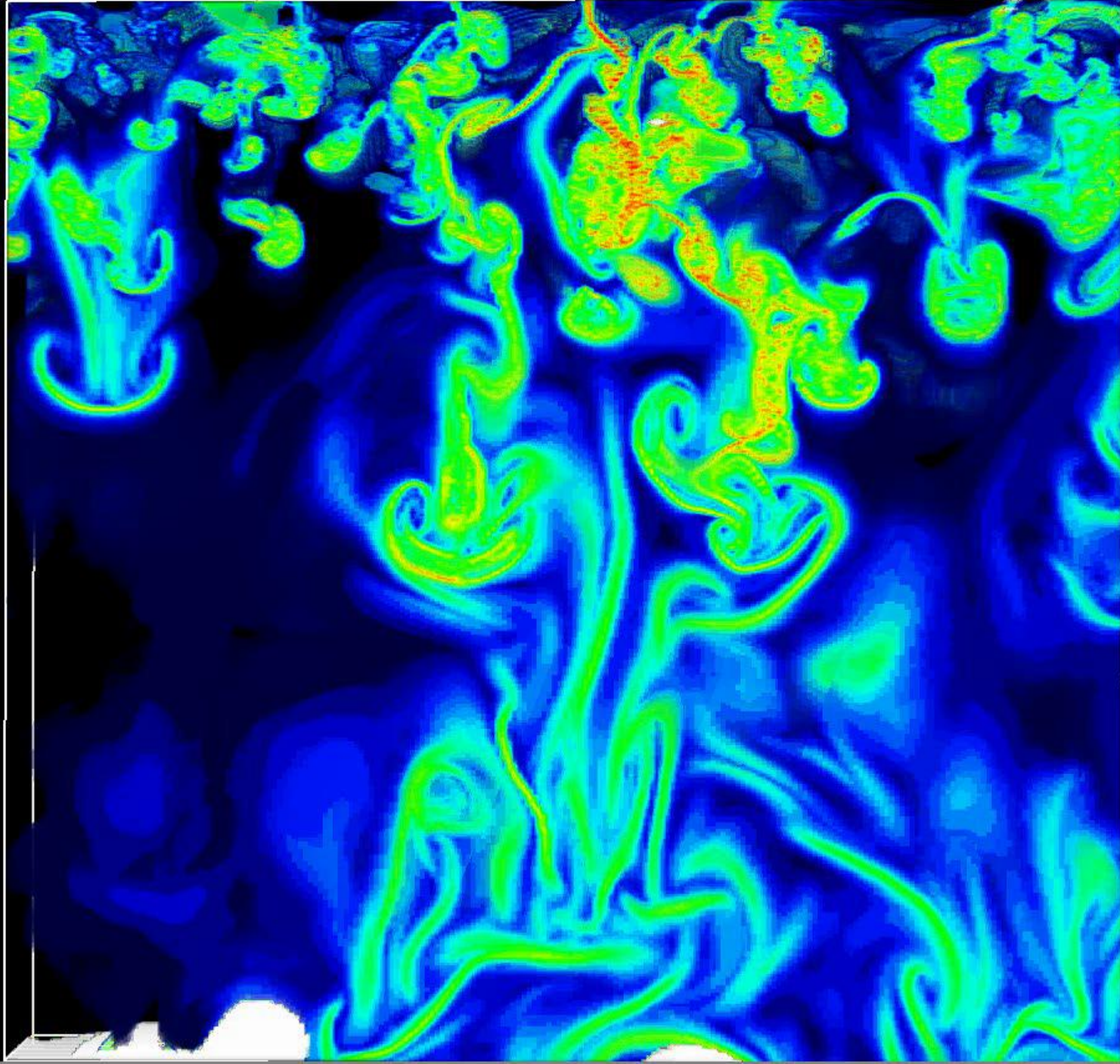
- Distance = 1 AU
- $1 \text{AU} = 1.5 \times 10^{11} \text{m}$

The Sun in the HR diagram

- $L=3.8 \times 10^{26} \text{W}$
- $T_{\text{eff}}=5778 \text{K}$



Courtesy: Bob Stein (MSU)



Why does convective velocity decrease with depth?

- A. Because of cooling only from the top
- B. Because density increases downward
- C. Because the gas spreads over large scales

Convective velocity

Enthalpy flux

$$F_{\text{conv}} = \overline{\rho u c_p \delta T}$$

Mixing length approximation

$$u^2 / \ell \sim g \delta T / T$$

Scaling behavior

$$F_{\text{conv}} = \overline{\rho} u_{\text{rms}}^3$$

→ Slower with depth

What we learned

- Convection experiment
- Solar convection simulations
- Questions on HW4
- Sign up for SBO observing sessions