## Lecture 4

- Nuclear burning
- Helium production
- Comment on faint Sun paradox
- # of neutrinos
- Center to limb variation

### Summary of previous lecture

- About solar interior
  - -Tricks to "look" deeper
  - -Change of L with Y
  - -Faint Sun paradox
- Radiation transport

   Effective (Rosseland) opacity

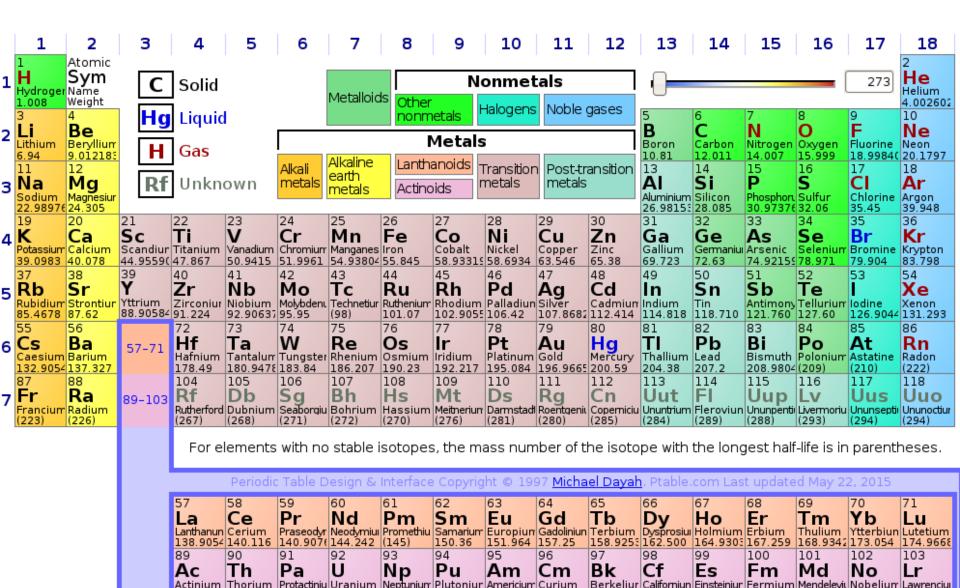
### Periodic table

1.008\*4=4.032

-4.003

Mass deficit

=0.029



# Energy release

### Energy release when one <sup>4</sup>He atom is produced $0.029 \ge 1.66 \ge 10^{-27} \ge c^2 = 4.33 \ge 10^{-12}$ J

James Prescott Joule FRS (/dʒuːl/;<sup>[1]</sup> (24 December 1818 – 11 October 1889) was an English physicist and brewer, born in Salford, Lancashire. Joule studied the nature of heat, and discovered its relationship to mechanical work (see energy). This led to the law of conservation of energy, which led to the development of the first law of thermodynamics. The SI derived unit of energy, the joule, is named



#### $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \text{ x } 10^{-19} \text{ J}$

27/4 MeV/nucleon = 4 x 6.8 MeV/nucleon

## Rate of burning

Energy release when one <sup>4</sup>He atom is produced

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Helium production during life time

 $t=5 \times 10^9 \text{ yr} * 3 \times 10^7 \text{ s/yr} = 1.5 \times 10^{17} \text{ s}$ 

 $E = Lt = 3.8 \times 10^{26} * 1.5 \times 10^{17} \text{ J} = 5.8 \times 10^{43} \text{ J}$ 

Number of helium produced during the Sun's life time

 $5.8 \ge 10^{43}/4.3 \ge 10^{-12} = 1.3 \ge 10^{55}$ 

 $4 * 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} * 1.3 \times 10^{55} = 0.9 \times 10^{29} \text{ kg}$ 

Fractional increase

$$\Delta Y = 0.044$$

### Remember: L dependence on Y

$$\ln L = \ln L_{\odot} + a(Y_0 - Y_{0\odot}) + b(\alpha - \alpha_{\odot})$$

$$\ln r = \ln r_{\odot} + c(Y_0 - Y_{0\odot}) + d(\alpha - \alpha_{\odot}) ,$$

*R* and *L* grow (faint sun paradox)

$$a \equiv \frac{\partial \ln L}{\partial Y_0} = 8.6$$
  $b \equiv \frac{\partial \ln L}{\partial \alpha} = 0.04$   
 $c \equiv \frac{\partial \ln r}{\partial Y_0} = 2.1$   $d \equiv \frac{\partial \ln r}{\partial \alpha} = -0.13$ 

 $L/L_0 = \exp(8.6 \times \Delta Y) = \exp(8.6 \times 0.044) = 1.46$ 

### Google for "Effective Temperature"

$$T_{\rm eff}^{\rm Earth} = T_{\rm eff}^{\rm Sun} \left(\frac{R_{\rm Sun}}{2D}\right)^{1/2} (1-A)^{1/4} \le 279 \,\mathrm{K}$$

#### Earth radius does not enter

- A. The Earth itself cools
- B. The Earth is much cooler than the Sun
- C. The Earth can be considered a point mass

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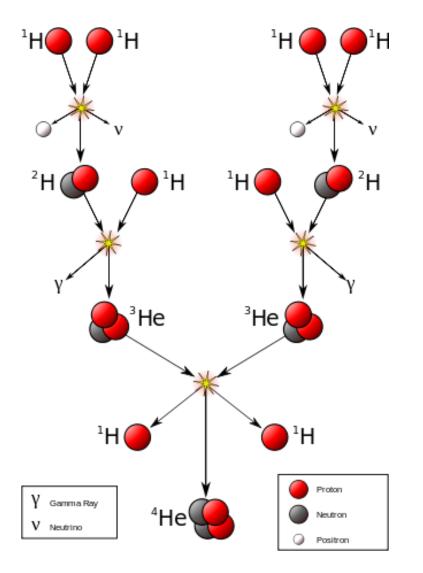
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Compare with accretion power

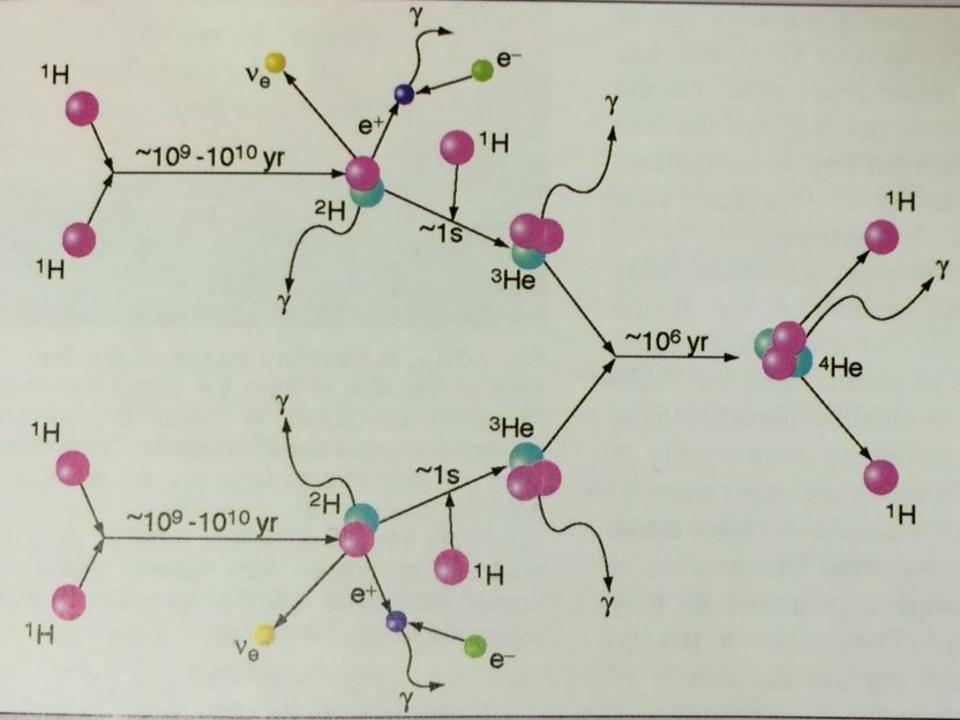
Compute # of neutrinos

$$2e^{-} + 4p \rightarrow {}^{4}\text{He} + 2v_{e} + 26.73 \text{ MeV}$$

### 2 neutrinos per Helium atom



- $1^{st}$  reaction  $10^9-10^{10}$  yr
- This is the most important reaction among 2 other ones
- There is also the CNO cycle, which also produces 2 neutrinos
- CNO important at hi T
- See Stix Sect. 2.3.5 and Knipp Box 2.2, p.59



### Rate of neutrinos

- A. 1 neutrino/cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- B.  $10^5$  neutrino/cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- C.  $10^{10}$  neutrino/cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- D.  $10^{15}$  neutrino/cm<sup>2</sup>/s
- E.  $10^{20}$  neutrino/cm<sup>2</sup>/s

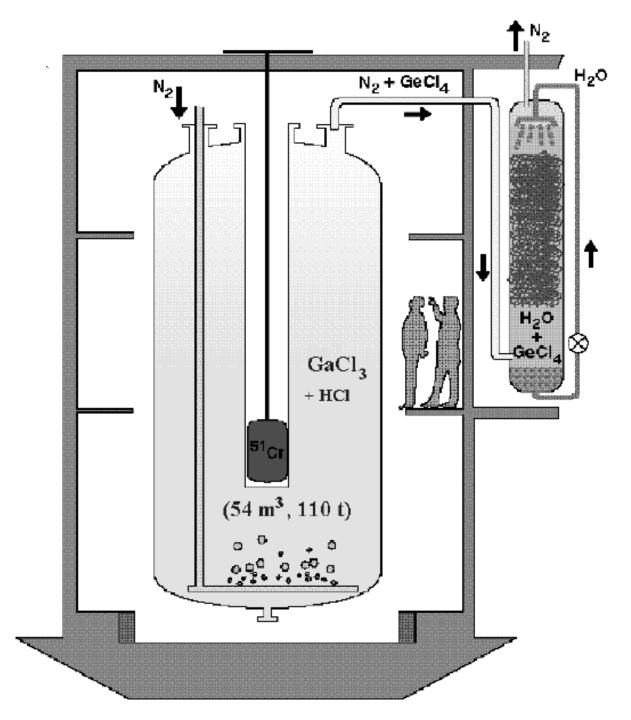


Fig. 3.45. The <sup>71</sup>Ga neutrino detector of the GALLEX experiment in the Gran Sasso Underground Laboratory, Italy. The picture shows the <sup>51</sup>Cr calibration source in the central shaft. Courtesy MPI für Kernphysik, Heidelberg

# Neutrino detection

- <sup>37</sup>Cl and <sup>71</sup>Ga have large cross-section
   Homestake mine (S Dakota) and Gran Sasso
- $v + {}^{71}Ga \rightarrow {}^{71}Ge + e^{-}$ 
  - Germanium chemically extracted
  - its decay (11.4 half time) was measured with counters
- Super Kamiokande and Ice Cube work with Cherenkov radiation of leptons moving faster than light in water