

IGCSE Physics (9-1) Specification 8(c)

(c) Stellar evolution

Students should:

8.7 understand how stars can be classified according to their colour

8.8 know that a star's colour is related to its surface temperature

8.9 describe the evolution of stars of similar mass to the Sun through the following stages:

- nebula
- star (main sequence)
- red giant
- white dwarf.

8.10 describe the evolution of stars with a mass larger than the Sun

8.11P understand how the brightness of a star at a standard distance can be represented using absolute magnitude

8.12P draw the main components of the Hertzsprung–Russell diagram (HR diagram)

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