Homework 8

(1) Find the Jeans mass for gas with temperature T and pressure P. It is convenient to parametrize the pressure as a product of the number-density n of atoms and temperature $T: \tilde{P} = nT$ with the typical value of nT = 3000 in the plain of the disk of our Galaxy. Gas should be assumed neutral mostly hydrogen with helium fraction Y = 0.25 by mass. What is the Jeans mass for $T = 10^2, 10^3, 10^4 K$?