

Neutron Stars

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WARNING

These are pedagogical lectures (I hope) and have no intent to be complete. I give key entries into the literature (I hope) but make no claim at being comprehensive: this is NOT a review work !



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I - Structure

II - Evolution and Cooling



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One teaspoon of neutron star matter weighs as much as all buildings in the Bay Area

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Superfluid Superconductor

Quark Matter ?



Neutron Stars

Lecture 1: Structure

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Assume star is bound by gravity: $a_{gravity} > a_{centrifugal}$ at equator:

$$a_{\text{gravity}} = \frac{GM}{R^2} > a_{\text{centrifugal}} = \Omega^2 R = \frac{4\pi^2 R}{P^2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{M}{R^3} > \frac{4\pi^2}{GP^2}$$
$$\implies \overline{\rho} = \frac{M}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} > 8 \times 10^{13} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$$



"Neutron" Stars DO NOT Exist

"Neutron" stars as originally conceived by Landau, Baade & Zwicky and Oppenheimer & Volkoff DO NOT exist:

A ball of neutrons will immediately undergo decay into protons:

$$n \longrightarrow p + e^- + \overline{\nu}_e$$

since $M_n > M_p + m_e + m_v$

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Degenerate Matter

A system of fermions (i.e., with spin 1/2, 3/2, ...) at T=0 is degenerate: in momentum space particles fill up states with momenta $|\vec{p}| < p_F$





Energy at $p_F = E_F$ = Fermi energy



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Energies involved are the Fermi energies, not only the masses: (assuming star is cold enough to be transparent to neutrinos: $E_{Fv} = 0$)

Energy conservation:

 $E_{Fn} = E_{Fp} + E_{Fe}$



For electrons: $E_F = p_F c$

For neutrons and protons:

$$E_F = mc^2 + p_F^2/2m + V$$

V = potential energy
$$\Rightarrow$$

Need a model for strong interactions.

⇒ Increasing uncertainty with increasing density



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$$p + e^- \longrightarrow n + \nu_e$$

is also possible, giving the DUrca cycle:

$$\begin{cases} n \longrightarrow p + e^- + \overline{\nu}_e \\ p + e^- \longrightarrow n + \nu_e \end{cases}$$







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$$R_{lc} = \frac{c}{\Omega} = \frac{cP}{2\pi} \simeq 50 \text{ km} \times P_{\text{millisec.}}$$
$$B_{lc} \cong B_0 \left(\frac{R}{R_{lc}}\right)^3 = \frac{B_0 R^3}{c^3} \Omega^3$$
$$E_{m, \, lc} = \frac{B_{lc}^2}{4\pi} = \frac{B_0^2 R^6}{4\pi c^6} \Omega^6$$

$$\dot{E}_{\rm md} \sim -A_{lc} E_{m, lc} c \simeq -\frac{B_0^2 R^6}{c^3} \Omega^4$$
 with $A_{lc} \simeq 4\pi R_{lc}^2$

Magneto-dipolar radiation in vacuum:

$$\dot{E}_{\rm md}^{\rm vac.} = -\frac{B_p^2 R^6 \Omega^4}{c^3} \times \frac{1}{6} \sin^2 \alpha$$

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Spitkovsky et al. Model



 $\dot{E}_{\rm md} = -k_1 \frac{B_p^2 R^6 \Omega^4}{c^3} (1 + k_2 \sin^2 \alpha)$ with $k_1 = 1 \pm 0.05$ and $k_2 = 1 \pm 0.05$

Spitkovsky, A., Pulsar Magnetosphere: The Incredible Machine, AIP Conf. Proc. 983, 20 (2008)



Rotational kinetic energy:
$$E_{\rm rot} = \frac{1}{2}I\Omega^2 \implies \dot{E}_{\rm rot} = I\Omega\dot{\Omega}$$

Magneto-dipolar spin-down equation: $\dot{E}_{rot} = -\dot{E}_{md}$

which gives:
$$\dot{\Omega} = -k \frac{B_0^2 R^6}{c^3 I} \Omega^3$$
 $(k \simeq 1)$

Inferred surface magnetic field:

$$B_p \simeq \sqrt{\frac{c^3 |\dot{\Omega}|}{\Omega^3 I R^6}}$$

$$\simeq 3.2 \times 10^{19} (P\dot{P})^{1/2} \text{ G} \simeq 1.5 \times 10^{12} \frac{P}{0.01 \text{s}} \left(\frac{1000 \text{ yr}}{\tau_c}\right)^{1/2} \text{ G}$$

















Hydrostatic Equilibrium Tolman-Oppenheimer-Volkoff Equations



Static Spherically Symmetric Metric

Spherically symmetric metric:

Local observer (proper) metric:

Proper time and radial length:

$$\mathrm{d}s^2 = c^2 \mathrm{d}t^2 \mathrm{e}^{2\phi} - \mathrm{e}^{2\lambda} \mathrm{d}r^2 - r^2 (\mathrm{d}\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta \mathrm{d}\phi)$$

 $\mathrm{d}s^2 = c^2 \mathrm{d}\tau^2 - \mathrm{d}l^2$

 $d\tau = e^{\phi} dt < dt \qquad dl = e^{\lambda} dr > dr$

Metric of a 2D sphere (r & t fixed): ds^2

 $\mathrm{d}s^2 = r^2(\mathrm{d}\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta\mathrm{d}\phi)$

 \rightarrow same metric as a sphere in Euclidean geometry (*r* is known as the "areal coordinate")

Proper volume of a shell:

$$\mathrm{d}v = 4\pi r^2 \mathrm{d}l > 4\pi r^2 \mathrm{d}r$$

Vacuum solution: the Schwarzschild metric:

$$ds^{2} = \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{rc^{2}}\right)c^{2}dt^{2} - \frac{dr^{2}}{1 - \frac{2GM}{rc^{2}}} - r^{2}(d\theta^{2} + \sin^{2}\theta d\phi)$$

t = proper time of an observer at infinity

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Tolman - Oppenheimer - Volkoff equations:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}m}{\mathrm{d}r} = 4\pi r^2 \rho$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\phi}{\mathrm{d}r} = \frac{G}{c^2} \frac{m + 4\pi r^3 P/c^2}{r^2} \mathrm{e}^{2\lambda} \qquad \qquad \mathrm{e}^{-2\lambda} = 1 - \frac{2Gm}{rc^2}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}P}{\mathrm{d}r} = -\frac{G(\rho + P/c^2)(m + 4\pi r^3 P/c^2)}{r^2} \mathrm{e}^{2\lambda} = -c^2(\rho + P/c^2)\frac{\mathrm{d}\phi}{\mathrm{d}r}$$

Equation of State (fully degenerate): $P = P(\rho)$ $\rho = \epsilon/c^2$

Solution: given the EOS, choose central pressure P_c or density ρ_c and integrate TOV equations outward till P=0 (surface). Shift $\phi \longrightarrow \phi + \phi_0$ so that at the surface $e^{\phi_s} = e^{-\lambda_s} = \sqrt{1 - 2GM/Rc^2}$ to match the vacuum Schwarzschild solution



Metric Coefficients





Various Concepts of Mass

Gravitational mass:

$$M = \int_0^R 4\pi\rho \, r^2 \mathrm{d}r$$

it is the mass in the Schwarzschild metric and it determines planetary motions, binary motions, ... : all gravitational effects

Proper mass:

$$M_P = \int_0^R 4\pi\rho \, r^2 \mathrm{d}l$$

Baryonic mass:
$$M_B = m_B N_B$$
 $N_B = \int_0^{R} 4\pi n_B r^2 dl =$ baryon number n_B = baryon density m_B = baryon mass

 $^{\circ}R$

Gravitational mass = proper mass + gravitational binding energy:

$$M = \int_0^R 4\pi\rho r^2 dr = \int_0^R 4\pi\rho r^2 \sqrt{1 - 2Gm/rc^2} \, dl$$
$$\simeq \int_0^R 4\pi\rho r^2 (1 - Gm/rc^2) \, dl = \int_0^R 4\pi\rho r^2 dl - \frac{1}{c^2} \int_0^R \frac{Gm\rho}{r} 4\pi r^2 \, dl = M_P + \frac{E_G}{c^2}$$

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A Sample of EOSs and M-R Curves



Figure 3

Typical M-R curves for hadronic equations of state (EOSs) (*black curves*) and strange quark matter (SQM) EOSs (green curves). The EOS names are given in Reference 13, and their P-n relations are displayed in **Figure 2**. Regions of the M-R plane excluded by general relativity (GR), finite pressure, and causality are indicated. The orange curves show contours of $R_{\infty} = R(1 - 2 GM/Rc^2)^{-1/2}$. The region marked rotation is bounded by the realistic mass-shedding limit for the highest-known pulsar frequency, 716 Hz, for PSR J1748-2446J (14). Figure adapted from Reference 15.

> <u>The Nuclear Equation of State and Neutron Star Masses</u> Lattimer, James M. 2012ARNPS..62..485L

Neutron Star Masses





Neutron stars with strong \vec{B} ("X-ray pulsars") in eclipsing binaries with a high mass companion. Optical observations of the companion (massive = bright star) gives complementary information about the orbit. Provide useful constraints but low precision.

Spectral studies of thermonuclear X-ray bursts provide measurements of their mass and radius: useful constraints but low precision.

Very old systems with a millisecond ("recycled") pulsar.

In a few cases with a white dwarf companion and an almost circular orbit accurate mass measurement have been obtained through the "Shapiro delay" effect. These have provided the highest mass measurements.

Binary systems with a pulsar and a second compact star (neutron star or white dwarf) companion. In the cases of very excentric and compact orbits many Post-Keplerian parameters can be measured with high accuracy and the orbit properties can be deduced with high precision. These provide the most accurate mass measurement. Typical example: the Hulse-Taylor system from which existence of gravitational waves was first obtained.

Masses, Radii, and the Equation of State of Neutron Stars Özel, Feryal; Freire, Paulo 2016ARA&A..54..4010

http://xtreme.as.arizona.edu/neutronstars/

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Mass Measurements from Binaries

Newtonian dynamics ("Kepler Laws") give the "mass function":



 P_b : binary (orbital) period $x_{PSR} = a_{PSR} \sin i$ a_{PSR} : orbit semi-major axis *i*: orbit inclination $M_T = M_{PSR} + M_c$

Pulsar timing give precise values for x_{PSR} and P_{b}

Spectroscopy of the companion can give info about its type and $M_{\rm c}$

Eclipses can give info about *i*





Mass Measurements with Shapiro Delay

General relativistic effects provide the complementary relation in the case of $i \sim 90^{\circ}$:

$$\Delta S = -2r \ln(1 - s \cos(\phi - \phi_0))$$
= delay in time arrival of pulses
due to curvature of space-time
by the pulsar companion
(circular orbit case)

$$s = \sin i = \text{shape parameter}$$

$$r = GM_c/c^2 = \text{range parameter}$$

$$\phi_0 = \text{superior conjunction phase}$$

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Time of arrival without Shapiro delay
Time of arrival with Shapiro delay
Time of arrival with Shapiro delay

Measuring ΔS gives r and $s \rightarrow i$ and $M_c \rightarrow M_{PSR}$ from the mass function !

<u>A test of general relativity from the three-dimensional orbital geometry of a binary pulsar</u> van Straten, W.; Bailes, M.; Britton, M.; Kulkarni, S. R.; Anderson, S. B.; Manchester, R. N.; Sarkissian, J. <u>2001Natur.412..158V</u> <u>A two-solar-mass neutron star measured using Shapiro delay</u> Demorest, P. B.; Pennucci, T.; Ransom, S. M.; Roberts, M. S. E.; Hessels, J. W. T. <u>2010Natur.467.1081D</u>

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2 Mo Pulsars from Shapiro Delay

PSR J1614-2230: M = 1.97∓0.04 M⊙

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PSR J0348+0432: M = 2.01∓0.04 M⊙

<u>A Massive Pulsar in a Compact Relativistic Binary</u> Antoniadis, John; Freire, Paulo C. C.; Wex, Norbert; and 19 coauthors 2013Sci...340..448A

PSR J0740+6620: M = 2.08∓0.07 M⊙

<u>A very massive neutron star: relativistic Shapiro delay measurements of PSR J0740+6620</u> Thankful Cromartie, H.; Fonseca, Emmanuel; Ransom, Scott M.; Demorest, Paul B.; and 23 coauthors <u>2020NatAs...4...72C</u>

Refined Mass and Geometric Measurements of the High-mass PSR J0740+6620 Fonseca, E.; Cromartie, H. T.; Pennucci, T. T. and 42 more 2021ApJ...915L..12F

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Neutron Star Masses & Radii



M & R from Thermal Emission



$$L^{\infty} = e^{2\phi_s} L = (1 - 2GM/Rc^2) L$$
$$T_{\text{eff}}^{\infty} = e^{\phi_s} L = (1 - 2GM/Rc^2)^{1/2} T_{\text{eff}}$$
$$R_{\infty} = e^{\phi_s} L = (1 - 2GM/Rc^2)^{-1/2} R$$



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M & R from Thermal Emission



Figure 10

M-R probability densities of neutron stars from (*a*) four quiescent low-mass X-ray binaries in globular clusters and (*b*) four photospheric radius expansion bursts (incorporating the possibility that $R_{\rm ph} > R$). The diagonal lines represent causality limits. Figure reproduced courtesy of A.W. Steiner.

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M & R from Light-Curve Fitting (NICER)



Figure 5. Folded *NICER* XTI profiles from Figure 2 but grouped in 256 (for PSRs J0437-4715 and J0030+0451) or 128 phase bins (for PSRs J1231-1411 and J2124-3358). The solid red lines show the best fit with a model of the profile constructed from the empirical Fourier coefficients, given by Equation (1), of the set of photon phases. The dashed lines show the sinusoids corresponding to the first four harmonic components of the fit (blue, orange, purple, and cyan for the first, second, third, and fourth harmonic, respectively). The bottom panel for each pulsar shows the residuals from the fit.

Constraining the Neutron Star Mass—Radius Relation and Dense Matter Equation of State with NICER. II. Emission from Hot Spots on a Rapidly Rotating Neutron Star Bogdanov, Slavko; Lamb, Frederick K.; Mahmoodifar, Simin; Miller, M. Coleman; Morsink, Sharon M.; Riley, Thomas E.; Strohmayer, Tod E.; Tung, Albert K.; Watts, Anna L.; Dittmann, Alexander J.; Chakrabarty, Deepto; Guillot, Sebastien; Arzoumanian, Zaven; Gendreau, Keith C. 2019ApJ...887L..26B

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Constraints from Gravitational Waves in Binary Merger(s)



The First BNS Merger: GW170817

LIGO Livingston Observatory



FIG. 1. Time-frequency representations [65] of data containing the gravitational-wave event GW170817, observed by the LIGO-Hanford (top), LIGO-Livingston (middle), and Virgo (bottom) detectors. Times are shown relative to August 17, 2017 12:41:04 UTC. The amplitude scale in each detector is normalized to that detector's noise amplitude spectral density. In the LIGO data, independently observable noise sources and a glitch that occurred in the LIGO-Livingston detector have been subtracted, as described in the text. This noise mitigation is the same as that used for the results presented in Sec. IV.

GW170817: Observation of Gravitational Waves from a Binary Neutron Star Inspiral

Abbott, B. P.; Abbott, R.; Abbott, T. D.; Acernese, F.; Ackley, K.; Adams, C.; Adams, T.; Addesso, P.; Adhikari, R. X.; Adya, V. B.; and 1116 coauthors 2017PhRvL.119p1101A

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Probing Ultra-Dense Matter in Neutron Star

LIGO Hanford

Observatory

LIGO-Hanford

LIGO-Livingstone



Gravitational Waves Emission: Point Masses in a Circular Orbit

Change of orbital energy *E* for a circular binary system

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\frac{32G}{5c^5}\mu^2 r^4\omega^6 \qquad \qquad E \equiv \frac{1}{2}\mu r^2\omega^2 - \frac{GM\mu}{r} = -\frac{GM\mu}{2r}$$
$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

Change of orbital frequency ffor a circular binary system

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{96\pi}{5} \left(\frac{G\mathcal{M}\pi f}{c^3}\right)^{5/3} f^2 = \frac{96\pi}{5} x^{5/2} f^2$$

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rp mass:
$$\mathcal{M} \equiv \frac{(m_1 m_2)^{3/5}}{(m_1 + m_2)^{1/5}} = \mu^{3/5} M^{2/5} = (\mu M^{2/3})^{3/5}$$

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 $x \equiv \left(\frac{G\mathcal{M}\pi f}{c^3}\right)^{2/3}$ Post-Newtonian parameter:

 $M = m_1 + m_2$

$$\mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)}$$

$$\eta = \frac{m_1 m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)^2} = \frac{\mu}{M}$$

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Tidal Deformation: Love Number



More generally: field ϕ of star deformed by a tidal field \mathcal{E}_{ij} :

Linear response:
$$Q_{ij} = -\lambda \mathcal{E}_{ij}$$
 $\lambda = k_2 \frac{2}{3} \frac{R^5}{G}$ $\Lambda = \frac{2}{3} k_2 \left(\frac{c^2 R}{GM}\right)^5 = \frac{2}{3} \frac{k_2}{\beta^5}$ λ

k₂ and λ: Love numbersΛ: tidal deformabilityor polarizability

 $[G\lambda]$ = Length⁵, k_2 and Λ are dimensionless

<u>Constraining neutron star tidal Love numbers with gravitational-wave detectors</u> Flanagan, Éanna É.; Hinderer, Tanja 2008PhRvD.,77b1502F

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Merger of Point Mass versus Stars



$$\widetilde{\lambda} = \frac{16}{13} [(m_1 + 12m_2)\lambda_1 + (m_2 + 12m_1)\lambda_2]$$

The Neutron Star Equation of State I. The Crust



Neutron Star Envelope



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Growth of p_F(e) in the Crust





Neutronization of Matter



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Cold Catalyzed Matter below Neutron Drip

Cold catalyzed matter is found by minimizing the Gibbs energy at a given pressure:

$$G_{\text{cell}}(A, Z, n_{\text{Nuc}}) = W_{\text{Nuc}}(A, Z) + W_{\text{Lat}}(Z, n_{\text{Nuc}}) + [\varepsilon_{\text{e}}(n_{\text{e}}) + P]/n_{\text{Nuc}}$$

 $W_{\text{Nuc}}(A, Z) = \text{ energy of nucleus } (A, Z)$ $W_{\text{Lat}}(Z, n_{\text{Nuc}}) = \text{ lattice energy por cell}$ $\varepsilon_{\text{e}}(n_{\text{e}}) = \text{ electron energy density}$ P = total pressure $n_{\text{Nuc}} = \text{ nuclide density}$ $P = P_{\text{e}}(n_{\text{e}}) + P_{\text{Lat}}(Z, n_{\text{Nuc}})$ $W_{\text{Lat}}(Z, n_{\text{Nuc}}) = 3P_{\text{Lat}}(Z, n_{\text{Nuc}}) = -\frac{9}{10} \frac{Z^2 e^2}{a}$ $v_{\text{Nuc}} = \frac{1}{n_{\text{Nuc}}} = \frac{3}{4} \pi a^3$ $P(n_{\text{e}}) = \frac{1}{2} e_{\text{e}}(n_{\text{e}}) = neletinistic Fermi D$

$$P_{\rm e}(n_{\rm e}) = \frac{1}{3} \varepsilon_{\rm e}(n_{\rm e})$$
 relativistic Fermi-Dirac gas

Composition and equation of state of cold catalyzed matter below neutron drip Haensel, P.; Zdunik, J. L.; Dobaczewski, J. <u>1989A&A...222..353H</u> Table 1. Equilibrium nucleibelow neutron drip.HFBcalculation

Z	N	$Z/A \qquad ho_{ma}$ (g cm	$(\mu_e)^{x}$ $(\mu_e)^{-3}$ (MeV)	$\frac{\Delta ho / ho}{(\%)}$
26	30	0.4643 <u>v</u> 7.96 1	0 ⁶ 0.95	2.9
28	34	0.4516 5 2.70 1	0^8 2.61	3.1
28	36	0.4375 5 1.18 1	4.17 4 .17	6.2
28	40	0.4118 🔁 5.88 1	6.94	2.2
34	50	0.4048 2 1.36 1	0^{10} 9.12	0.7
28	42	0.4000 0 1.40 1	0 ¹⁰ 9.16	2.9
28	44	0.3889 0 1.93 1	0 ¹⁰ 10.06	1.3
30	48	$0.3846 \stackrel{0}{_} 2.431$	0 ¹⁰ 10.86	2.6
30	50	0.3750 4.52 1	0^{10} 13.24	1.6
28	48	0.3684 + 4.97 1	0^{10} 13.58	2.6
28	50	0.3590 0 9.17 1	0^{10} 16.51	2.6
28	52	0.3500 😴 1.23 1	0 ¹¹ 18.04	2.5
28	54	$0.3415 \stackrel{\textcircled{0}}{=} 1.561$	0^{11} 19.38	2.4
28	56	$0.3333 \stackrel{\smile}{=} 2.07 1$	0^{11} 21.12	2.4
28	58	$0.3256 \frac{1}{0} 2.701$	0^{11} 22.89	2.3
28	60	0.3182 🛱 3.33 1	0^{11} 24.36	4.3
40	90	0.3077 🙁 3.77 1	0^{11} 25.10	1.5
40	92	0.3030 = 4.245	10^{11} 25.97	1.5
40	94	$0.2985 \mathbf{\breve{Z}} (4.45 \ 1$	0^{11}) (26.26)	



Proton/Neutron Nuclear Potential



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Neutron & Proton Densities above Drip Density



$$n_{\rm sat} \simeq 0.16 \, {\rm fm}^{-3} = 1.6 \times 10^{38} \, {\rm cm}^{-3}$$

Neutron star matter at sub-nuclear densities Negele, J. W.; Vautherin, D. 1973NuPhA.207..298N

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Crust Chemical Composition



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The Neutron Star Equation of State II. Pasta Phase and **Crust-Core Transition**



Pasta Phase



Structure of matter below nuclear saturation density DG Ravenhall, CJ Pethick, JR Wilson <u>1983PhRvL..50.2066R</u>

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Shape of nuclei in the crust of a neutron star Hashimoto, M.; Seki, H.; Yamada, M <u>1984PThPh..71..320H</u>



Simple Liquid Drop Model Approach (1)

How to determine which shape of nuclear clusters appear and at which densities?

Energy, W, of a cell (= cube of size a) as sum of nuclear bulk, W_B , nuclear surface, W_S , and Coulomb, W_C , energies:

$$W = W_B + W_S + W_C + W_e = w_{B,in}(n_{in}, x_p)ua^3 + w_{B,out}(n_{out})(1-u)a^3 + w_ea^3$$
$$\sigma(n_{in}, n_{out}, x_p)g(u, s)a^2 + w_C(u, s)\frac{Z^2}{a}$$

 $w_{B,in}(n_{in}, x_p) =$ bulk nuclear energy density inside cluster

 $w_{B,out}(n_{out}) =$ bulk nuclear energy density outside (dripped neutrons) cluster

 $\sigma(n_{\rm in}, n_{\rm out}, x_p) =$ nuclear surface energy density

g(u,s) = area of nuclear cluster

 $w_C(u,s) =$ relative Coulomb energy

 $w_e(n_e) =$ electron energy density

 $n_{\rm in} =$ nucleon (n and p) density inside cluster

- $n_{\rm out} =$ nucleon (dripped neutrons) density outside cluster
 - $x_p =$ proton fraction inside cluster
 - u = fractional volume of cluster
 - s = shape of cluster
 - $n_e =$ electron density

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$$\sigma(n_{in}, n_{out}, x_p)g(u, s)a^2 + w_C(u, s)\frac{Z^2}{a}$$

Minimize energy density:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial a} \left[\frac{W}{a^3} \right]_{n_{\rm in}, n_{\rm out}, x_p, u} = 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad W_S = 4W_C$$

Beta decay stability:
$$\mu_e = \mu_n^{(N)} - \mu_p^{(N)}$$

Minimize Charge neutrality:

$$x_p u n_{\rm in} = n_e$$

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Simple Liquid Drop Model Approach (3)



Final solution:

compare W at given density for different shapes

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Improved Liquid Drop Model Approach



FIG. 1. Energies per unit volume as a function of density for the one-fluid phase, and the three-, two-, and onedimensional nucleus phases, with (for FPS) the bubble (inverted structure) versions of the first two, after subtraction of the energy of the two-fluid phase, neglecting Coulomb and interface effects. The two nuclear interactions illustrated are SKM [6] and the version of FPS [8, 9] described in the text.



FIG. 2. Profile of a neutron star crust as given by FPS [8, 9]. The distance (in km) is measured from the surface. The solid line is density ρ/m_n , in fm⁻³, and the dashed line is pressure, in MeV fm⁻³, plotted logarithmically. Vertical lines indicate the phase boundaries described in the text. At the top is shown the superfluid energy gap [22].

Neutron star crusts CP Lorentz, DG Ravenhall & CJ Pethick 1993PhRvL..70..379L

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Molecular Dynamics Approach



FIG. 3 Nuclear pasta configurations produced in our MD simulations with 51,200 nucleons (Horowitz et al., 2015; Schneider et al., 2014, 2013).

Colloquium: Astromaterial Science and Nuclear Pasta Caplan, M. E.; Horowitz, C. J. 2017RvMP...89d1002C



Deep Crust EOS



Equation of State and Neutron Star Properties Constrained by Nuclear Physics and Observation Hebeler, K.; Lattimer, J. M.; Pethick, C. J.; Schwenk, A. 2013ApJ...773...11H

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The Neutron Star Equation of State III. The Core



Symmetric/Neutron Matter: Symmetry Energy



 $x = n_p/n =$ proton fraction = Z/A



A Simple Parametrization of E(n,x) near $n=n_0$

n = baryon density

$$n_0 \equiv n_{\text{sat}} \simeq 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}$$
 $u = \frac{n}{n_0}$
 $\chi \equiv \frac{n - n_0}{3n_0} = \frac{1}{3}(u - 1)$
 $\delta \equiv 1 - 2x \equiv \frac{n_n - n_p}{n}$
 $x \equiv \frac{x_p}{n}$

 $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_N + \varepsilon_e$ $\varepsilon_N = nE(n, x) = n \left[E_0(\chi) + S(\chi)\delta^2 \right]$ Energy density:

$$E_0(\chi) = m_B + B + \frac{K_0}{18}(u-1)^2 = m_B + B + \frac{1}{2}K_0\chi^2$$

Symmetry energy: S

$$S(\chi) = S_0 + L\chi + \frac{1}{2}K_{\rm sym}\chi^2$$

Nucleon pressure:
$$P_N = n^2 \frac{dE}{dn} = \frac{n_0}{3} u^2 [L\delta^2 + (K_0 - M_0)]$$

$$P_N = n^2 \frac{dE}{dn} = \frac{n_0}{3} u^2 [L\delta^2 + (K_0 + K_{\rm sym}\delta^2)\chi]$$

for neutron matter, $\delta = 1$: $P_N = \frac{n_0}{9} [Ku^3 + (3L - K)u^2]$ with $K \equiv K_0 + K_{sym}$

at saturation density $n = n_0$:

$$P_0 = \frac{1}{3}n_0L$$

 P_0 is the dominant ingredient that determines R at 1.4 Mo

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Nuclear Constraints on Models

- $n_0 = 0.15 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}$ 1. Nuclear saturation density:
- 2. Binding energy per nucleon:
- 3. Compression modulus:
- 4. Symmetry energy:
- 5. Slope of symmetry energy:
- 6. Nucleon effective mass: $m^* = 0.8 m_B$

$$K_{0} \equiv \frac{\partial^{2} E}{\partial \chi^{2}} \Big|_{\delta=0} = 9 \frac{\partial^{2} E}{\partial n^{2}} \Big|_{x=1/2} = 240 \pm 20 \text{ MeV}$$
$$S_{0} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} E}{\partial \delta^{2}} \Big|_{\delta=0} = 2 \frac{\partial^{2} E}{\partial x^{2}} \Big|_{x=1/2} = 25 - 35 \text{ MeV}$$
$$L \equiv \frac{dS}{d\chi} = 40 - 120 \text{ MeV}$$

B = -16 MeV

(Notice: *L* is in pure neutron matter, all other ones are in symmetric matter)

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Analytical Fit to Microscopic Calculations

Energy density: $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_N + \varepsilon_e$ $\varepsilon_N = nE(n,x) = n\left[T_F(n,x) + V_0(n) + (1-2x)^2S(n)\right]$

when going to high densities it is convenient to separate the potential and kinetic energies:

$$T_{F}(n,x) = \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \frac{3}{5} \frac{p_{F,p}^{2}}{2m_{p}} n_{p} + \frac{3}{5} \frac{p_{F,n}^{2}}{2m_{n}} n_{n} \right\} = \frac{3}{5} \frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m} (3\pi^{2}n)^{2/3} \left[x^{5/3} + (1-x)^{5/3} \right]$$

Beta equilibrium:
$$\begin{vmatrix} n \longrightarrow p + e^{-} + \overline{\nu}_{e} \\ p + e^{-} \longrightarrow n + \nu_{e} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\mu_{n} - \mu_{p} = \mu_{e} = \mu_{\mu}$$

$$\mu_{n} - \mu_{p} = \frac{\partial\varepsilon}{\partial n_{n}} - \frac{\partial\varepsilon}{\partial n_{p}} = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\partial\varepsilon}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial x} = \frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m} (3\pi^{2}n)^{2/3} \left[(1-x)^{2/3} - x^{2/3} \right] + 4(1-2x)S_{2}(n)$$

$$\mu_{e} = p_{F,e}c = \hbar (3\pi^{2}nx_{e})^{1/3} \qquad \mu_{\mu} = (p_{F,\mu}^{2}c^{2} + m_{\mu}^{2}c^{4})^{1/2} = \left[\hbar^{2} (3\pi^{2}nx_{\mu})^{2/3} + m_{\mu}^{2}c^{4} \right]^{1/2}$$

Charge neutrality: $n_e + n_\mu = n_p$ or $x_e + x_\mu = x_p$

 $(n,x) \longleftrightarrow (n_p,n_n) \qquad \frac{\partial}{\partial n_n} = \frac{\partial}{\partial n} - \frac{x}{n} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \qquad \frac{\partial}{\partial n_p} = \frac{\partial}{\partial n} + \frac{1-x}{n} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$

Equation of state for dense nucleon matter Wiringa, R. B.; Fiks, V.; Fabrocini, A. <u>1988PhRvC..38.1010W</u>

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E(n) for APR EOS

SNM = symmetric nuclear matter

PNM = pure neutron matter

TABLE VI. The $E(\rho)$ of SNM in MeV.

ρ	A18	A18+ δv	A18+UIX	A18+ δv +UIX*	corrected
0.04	-4.28	-4.08	-4.39	-4.31	-6.48
0.08	-8.72	-8.07	-8.06	-7.97	-12.13
0.12			-10.52	-10.54	-15.04
0.16	-14.59	-12.54	-11.85	-12.16	-16.00
0.20			-11.28	-12.21	-15.09
0.24	-17.61	-13.69	-8.99	- 10.89	-12.88
0.32	- 18.13	-11.87	0.84	-4.21	-5.03
0.40	- 16.37	-7.70	12.23	2.42	2.13
0.48	-12.21	-1.01	32.18	15.56	15.46
0.56	-5.79	8.16	59.99	34.42	34.39
0.64	2.76	19.54	95.05	58.36	58.35
0.80	25.01	45.24	188.51	121.25	121.25
0.96	56.51	82.63	313.46	204.02	204.02

TABLE VII. The $E(\rho)$ of PNM in MeV.

ρ	A18	A18+ δv	A18+UIX	A18+ δv +UIX*	
0.02	,		4.35	4.45	
0.04	6.06	6.32	6.23	6.45	
0.08	8.53	9.26	9.21	9.65	
0.12	,		12.71	13.29	
0.16	12.33	14.51	17.38	17.94	
0.20			23.47	22.92	
0.24	16.69	20.76	28.85	27.49	
0.32	22.19	28.59	43.28	38.82	
0.40	29.41	38.10	63.79	54.95	
0.48	38.91	50.35	90.46	75.13	
0.56	49.08	66.00	123.93	99.75	
0.64	59.37	81.15	165.40	127.58	
0.80	88.27	119.46	273.37	205.34	
0.96	125.29	167.02	412.30	305.87	

A18 = Argonne v_{18} 2-body interaction

 δv = relativistic "boost" correction

UIX = Urbana IX model of 3-body interaction and a modified version: UIX*

Equation of state of nucleon matter and neutron star structure Akmal, A.; Pandharipande, V. R.; Ravenhall, D. G. <u>1998PhRvC..58.1804A</u>

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E(n) for WFF EOS

Symmetric nuclear matter

Pure neutron matter

TABLE II. Energy of nuclear matter in MeV/particle as function of number density for five Hamiltoniar

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ρ (fm ⁻³)	AV14	AV14 plus UVII	UV14	UV14 plus UVII	UV14 plus TNI	ρ (fm ⁻³)	AV14	AV14 plus UVII	UV14	UV14 plus UVII	UV14 plus TNI	
0.07	-7.34	-7.73	-7.46	-7.53	-11.23	0.07	8.65	8.49	8.88	9.46	7.93	
0.08	-8.03	-8.43	-8.22	-8.22	-12.41	0.08	9.19	9.34	9.45	10.26	8.46	
0.10	-9.32	-9.64	-9.64	-9.42	-14.34	0.10	10.16	10.90	10.50	11.88	9.58	
0.125	-10.76	-10.85	-11.25	-10.56	-15.88	0.125	11.22	12.80	11.68	14.03	11.21	
0.15	-11.99	-11.74	-12.66	-11.25	-16.52	0.15	12.17	14.75	12.86	16.41	13.05	
0.175	-13.03	-12.24	-13.87	-11.49	-16.39	0.175	13.07	16.86	13.94	19.06	15.17	
0.20	-13.88	-12.37	-14.87	-11.26	-15.61	0.20	13.92	19.14	15.06	21.99	17.57	
0.25	-14.99	-11.43	-16.29	-9.42	-12.59	0.25	15.55	22.94	17.39	28.71	23.07	
0.30	-15.55	-9.06	-17.01	- 5.70	-8.02	0.30	17.16	26.56	19.92	35.94	29.35	
0.35	-15.52	- 5.68	-17.06	-0.47	-2.41	0.35	18.80	31.31	22.65	44.14	36.34	
0.40	- 14.94	-1.39	-16.50	6.04	4.28	0.40	20.47	37.21	25.65	54.44	44.12	
0.50	-12.36	11.11	-13.72	24.50	22.97	0.50	24.03	52.94	32.50	79.63	62.42	
0.60		29.2		50.4	46.5	0.60		77.4		112.2	84.0	
0.70		53.4		84.2	76.0	0.70		109.0		154.5	108.8	
0.80		90.2		126.7	114.8	0.80		148.5		204.2	136.0	
1.00		189.0		244.3	201.7	1.00		248.7		328.3	200.9	
1.25		366.0		452.0	321.0	1.25		420.0		524.0	294.0	
1.50		605.0		717.0	452.0	1.50		637.0		756.0	393.0	

TABLE III. Energy of neutron matter in MeV/particle as function of number density for five Hamiltonians.

> Equation of state for dense nucleon matter Wiringa, R. B.; Fiks, V.; Fabrocini, A. 1988PhRvC..38.1010W



E(*n*) for WFF & APR EOSs

APR



WFF



FIG. 9. $E(\rho)$ for AV14 plus UVII is shown for nuclear matter (long-dashed line), neutron matter (dash-dotted line), asymmetric matter with $x = \frac{1}{3}$ (dashed line), beta-stable matter with electrons only (short-dashed line), and beta-stable matter with electrons and muons (solid line).

FIG. 6. The PNM and SNM energies for the A18+ δv +UIX* model, and the fits to them using an effective interaction. The full lines represent the stable phases, and the dotted lines are their extrapolations.



A Sample of EOSs and M-R Curves



Figure 3

Typical M-R curves for hadronic equations of state (EOSs) (*black curves*) and strange quark matter (SQM) EOSs (green curves). The EOS names are given in Reference 13, and their P-n relations are displayed in **Figure 2**. Regions of the M-R plane excluded by general relativity (GR), finite pressure, and causality are indicated. The orange curves show contours of $R_{\infty} = R(1 - 2 GM/Rc^2)^{-1/2}$. The region marked rotation is bounded by the realistic mass-shedding limit for the highest-known pulsar frequency, 716 Hz, for PSR J1748-2446J (14). Figure adapted from Reference 15.

> The Nuclear Equation of State and Neutron Star Masses Lattimer, James M. 2012ARNPS..62..485L



EOS Comparison at Low Densities



In 2001 there was a factor SEVEN uncertainty in the pressure at saturation density for neutron matter !

Neutron Star Structure and the Equation of State Lattimer, J. M.; Prakash, M. 2001ApJ...550..426L Frg. baryon

FIG. 1.—Pressure-density relation for a selected set of EOSs contained in Table 1. The pressure is in units of MeV fm⁻³, and the density is in units of baryons fm⁻³. The nuclear saturation density is approximately 0.16 fm^{-3} .

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A Sample of EOSs and M-R Curves

MS WF MSÓ GM3 WF NG Maximum mass is 2.5 MS determined by P at the highest densities W 2.0 SQM3 MS1 (M_{\odot}) 1.5 Uncertainty on Mass the neutron star radius around 1.0 1.4 Mo directly correlate with 0.5 uncertainty on P at 1-2 *n*⁰ ! R_∞=10 km R_∞=10 km 12[`]. 16 16 12% 4 $\left(\right)$ 8 12 8 12 16 10 10 14 14 Radius (km) Radius (km)

FIG. 2.—Mass-radius curves for several EOSs listed in Table 1. The left-hand panel is for stars containing nucleons and, in some cases, hyperons. The right-hand panel is for stars containing more exotic components, such as mixed phases with kaon condensates or strange quark matter, or pure strange quark matter stars. In both panels, the lower limit causality places on R is shown as a dashed line, a constraint derived from glitches in the Vela pulsar is shown as the solid line labeled $\Delta I/I = 0.014$, and contours of constant $R_{\infty} = R/(1 - 2GM/Rc^2)^{1/2}$ are shown as dotted curves. In the right-hand panel, the theoretical trajectory of maximum masses and radii for pure strange quark matter stars is marked by the dot-dashed curve labeled $R = 1.85R_s$.

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Relativistic Mean Field Models: Toy Models

$$\mathcal{L}_{N} = \overline{\Psi}_{N} (i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - m_{N}^{*} - g_{\omega N}\gamma^{\mu}\omega_{\mu} - g_{\rho N}\gamma^{\mu}\vec{\tau}_{N}\cdot\vec{\rho}_{\mu})\Psi_{N} + \frac{1}{2}\partial_{\mu}\sigma\partial^{\mu}\sigma - \frac{1}{2}m_{\sigma}^{2}\sigma^{2} - U(\sigma) - \frac{1}{4}\omega_{\mu\nu}\omega^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\omega}^{2}\omega_{\mu}\omega^{\mu} - \frac{1}{4}\vec{\rho}_{\mu\nu}\cdot\vec{\rho}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\rho}^{2}\vec{\rho}_{\mu}\cdot\vec{\rho}^{\mu}$$

 $\Psi_N = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_p \\ \psi_n \end{pmatrix}$ and ψ_p, ψ_n : nucleon field (4D Dirac spinor x 2D isospin (p,n)).

 σ : scalar field, simulates 2-pion exchange: medium range attraction.

 ω_{μ} : vector field: short range repulsion (known particle).

 ρ_{μ}^{a} : vector-isovector field: iso-spin dependence (distinguish n from p, known particle).

Dirac effective mass:

 $m_N^* = m_N$

we mass:

$$-g_{\sigma N}\sigma$$
 $U(\sigma) = bm_N (g_{\sigma N}\sigma)^3 + c(g_{\sigma N}\sigma)^4$
 $\omega_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu \omega_\nu - \partial_\nu \omega_\mu$
 $\vec{\rho}_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu \vec{\rho}_\nu - \partial_\nu \vec{\rho}_\mu$

5 parameters: g_{σ} , g_{ω} , g_{ρ} , b and c allow to fit 5 observable: n_0 , B, K_0 , S_0 , m^* .

Adding more meson interactions in U (as ω^4 , ρ^4 , $\sigma^2\rho^2$, $\omega^2\rho^2$, ...) provides richer models, in particular they allow to reproduce results from serious microscopic calculations (APR, ...):

 $U(\sigma,\omega,\vec{\rho}) = b m \left(g_{\sigma}\sigma\right)^{3} + c \left(g_{\sigma}\sigma\right)^{4} - d \left(g_{\omega}^{2} \omega_{\mu}\omega^{\mu}\right)^{2} - e \left(g_{\rho}^{2} \vec{\rho}_{\mu} \cdot \vec{\rho}^{\mu}\right)^{2} - \left[f \left(g_{\sigma}^{2} \sigma^{2}\right) + h \left(g_{\omega}^{2} \omega_{\mu}\omega^{\mu}\right)\right] \left(g_{\rho}^{2} \vec{\rho}_{\mu} \cdot \vec{\rho}^{\mu}\right)$

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Note on Units in the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{N} = \overline{\Psi}_{N} (i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - m_{N}^{*} - g_{\omega N}\gamma^{\mu}\omega_{\mu} - g_{\rho N}\gamma^{\mu}\vec{\tau}_{N}\cdot\vec{\rho}_{\mu})\Psi_{N} + \frac{1}{2}\partial_{\mu}\sigma\partial^{\mu}\sigma - \frac{1}{2}m_{\sigma}^{2}\sigma^{2} - U(\sigma) - \frac{1}{4}\omega_{\mu\nu}\omega^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\omega}^{2}\omega_{\mu}\omega^{\mu} - \frac{1}{4}\vec{\rho}_{\mu\nu}\cdot\vec{\rho}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\rho}^{2}\vec{\rho}_{\mu}\cdot\vec{\rho}^{\mu}$$

 $U(\sigma,\omega,\vec{\rho}) = b m \left(g_{\sigma}\sigma\right)^{3} + c \left(g_{\sigma}\sigma\right)^{4} - d \left(g_{\omega}^{2} \omega_{\mu}\omega^{\mu}\right)^{2} - e \left(g_{\rho}^{2} \vec{\rho}_{\mu} \cdot \vec{\rho}^{\mu}\right)^{2} - \left[f \left(g_{\sigma}^{2} \sigma^{2}\right) + h \left(g_{\omega}^{2} \omega_{\mu}\omega^{\mu}\right)\right] \left(g_{\rho}^{2} \vec{\rho}_{\mu} \cdot \vec{\rho}^{\mu}\right)$

- $\hbar = c = 1$ and we measure everything in MeV, x^{μ} is in MeV⁻¹.
- \mathcal{L} has units of MeV⁴ so that $S = \int dx^4 \mathcal{L}$ has units of action, i.e., $\hbar = 1$.
- γ_{μ} and $\vec{\tau}$ are just dimensionless matrices.
- m and all masses are in MeV, ∂_{μ} or ∂^{μ} are in MeV.
- Ψ is in MeV^{3/2}.
- σ , ω and ρ are in MeV.
- g_{σ} , g_{ω} , and g_{ρ} are dimensionless.
- b, c, d, e, f, and h are dimensionless.



Relativistic Mean Field Models: Euler-Lagrange Equations

Euler-Lagrange equations:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi(x)} = \partial_{\mu} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_{\mu} \phi(x))}$$

For mesons with the non-linear meson interactions:

 $U(\sigma,\omega,\vec{\rho}) = b m (g_{\sigma}\sigma)^{3} + c (g_{\sigma}\sigma)^{4} - d (g_{\omega}^{2} \omega_{\mu}\omega^{\mu})^{2} - e (g_{\rho}^{2} \vec{\rho}_{\mu} \cdot \vec{\rho}^{\mu})^{2} - [f (g_{\sigma}^{2} \sigma^{2}) + h (g_{\omega}^{2} \omega_{\mu}\omega^{\mu})] (g_{\rho}^{2} \vec{\rho}_{\mu} \cdot \vec{\rho}^{\mu})$ $(\Box + m_{\sigma}^{2}) \sigma(x) + 3b m g_{\sigma}^{3} \sigma^{2}(x) + 4c g_{\sigma}^{4} \sigma^{3}(x) - 2f g_{\sigma}^{2} g_{\rho}^{2} \vec{\rho}_{\mu}(x) \cdot \vec{\rho}^{\mu}(x) \sigma(x) = g_{\sigma} \overline{\Psi}_{N}(x) \Psi_{N}(x)$ $(\Box + m_{\omega}^{2}) \omega_{\mu}(x) + 4d g_{\omega}^{4} \omega_{\nu}(x) \omega^{\nu}(x) \omega_{\mu}(x) + 2h g_{\omega}^{2} g_{\rho}^{2} \vec{\rho}_{\mu}(x) \cdot \vec{\rho}^{\mu}(x) \omega_{\mu}(x) = g_{\omega} \overline{\Psi}_{N}(x) \gamma_{\mu} \Psi_{N}(x)$ $(\Box + m_{\rho}^{2}) \vec{\rho}_{\mu}(x) + \partial_{\mu} \partial^{\nu} \vec{\rho}_{\nu}(x) + 4e g_{\rho}^{4} (\vec{\rho}_{\nu}(x) \cdot \vec{\rho}^{\nu}(x)) \vec{\rho}_{\mu}(x) + 2(f g_{\sigma}^{2} \sigma^{2} + h g_{\omega}^{2} \omega_{\nu}\omega^{\nu}) g_{\rho}^{2} \vec{\rho}_{\mu}(x) = \frac{1}{2} g_{\rho} \overline{\Psi}_{N}(x) \gamma_{\mu} \vec{\tau} \Psi_{N}(x)$

For nucleons and leptons:

$$\begin{bmatrix} i\gamma_{\mu}\partial^{\mu} - m + g_{\sigma}\sigma(x) - g_{\omega}\gamma_{\mu}\omega^{\mu}(x) - \frac{1}{2}g_{\rho}\gamma_{\mu}\vec{\tau}\cdot\vec{\rho}^{\mu}(x) \end{bmatrix} \Psi_{N}(x) = 0$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} i\gamma_{\mu}\partial^{\mu} - m_{\lambda} \end{bmatrix} \psi_{\lambda}(x) = 0$$

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Relativistic Mean Field Models: The Mean Field Approximation

Replace all meson fields by their space-time averages = $\langle \dots \rangle$

 $\sigma(x) \longrightarrow \langle \sigma(x) \rangle \equiv \sigma$ $\omega_{\mu}(x) \longrightarrow \langle \omega_{\mu}(x) \rangle \equiv \omega_{\mu}$ $\rho^{a}_{\mu}(x) \longrightarrow \langle \rho^{a}_{\mu}(x) \rangle \equiv \rho^{a}_{\mu}$

Rotational symmetry: no spacial components of vector fields: $\begin{aligned} \omega_{\mu} \longrightarrow (\omega_{0}, \vec{0}) \\ \rho_{\mu}^{a} \longrightarrow (\rho_{0}^{a}, \vec{0}) \end{aligned}$

In the ground state, Fermi seas of neutrons and protons have definite charge and isospin (determined by beta equilibrium) $\longrightarrow \rho_0^1 = \rho_0^2 = 0$

When calculating ground-state properties of dense matter only 3 of the meson field components survive: $\sigma, \ \omega_0 \equiv \omega, \ \text{and} \ \rho_0^3 \equiv \rho$

At a given density σ , ω , and ρ are just numbers

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Relativistic Mean Field Models: Baryon Sector

Look for a plane wave solution $\Psi(x) = e^{-ik^{\mu}x_{\mu}}\Phi(k)$ and let's write

$$K^{\mu} \equiv k^{\mu} - g_{\omega}\omega^{\mu} - \frac{g_{\rho}}{2}\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\rho}^{\mu} \quad \text{and} \quad m^* \equiv m - g_{\sigma}\sigma \quad \text{so that} \quad [\gamma_{\mu}K^{\mu} - m^*]\Phi = 0$$

then

$$K_{\mu}K^{\mu} = m^{*2}$$
 and $E(\vec{K}) \equiv K^{0} = \sqrt{K_{i}K^{i} + m^{*2}}$

and the baryons' energy is

$$e(\vec{k}) \equiv k_0 = E(\vec{K}) + g_\omega \omega^0 + \frac{g_\rho}{2} \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\rho}_0 = E(\vec{K}) + g_\omega \omega + g_\rho \rho I_3$$

with $I_3 = +1/2$ for protons and = -1/2 for neutrons.

Nucleons Fermi energies
and chemical potentials:
$$E_{Fp} = \mu_p (T=0) = \sqrt{k_F^2 + m^{*2}} + g_\omega \omega + \frac{1}{2} g_\rho \rho$$
$$E_{Fn} = \mu_n (T=0) = \sqrt{k_F^2 + m^{*2}} + g_\omega \omega - \frac{1}{2} g_\rho \rho$$



Relativistic Mean Field Models: Mean Field Meson Sector

Take the meson equations and replace meson fields by their mean values, evaluate the rhs by filling the nucleon Fermi sees to get:

$$m_{\sigma}^{2}\sigma + 3b \ mg_{\sigma}^{3}\sigma^{2} + 4c \ g_{\sigma}^{4}\sigma^{3} - 2f \ g_{\sigma}^{2}g_{\rho}^{2}\sigma\rho^{2} = g_{\sigma} \left\langle \overline{\Psi}_{N}(x)\Psi_{N}(x)\right\rangle = g_{\sigma} \sum_{B} n_{S}(B)$$
(1)

$$m_{\omega}^{2}\omega + 4d \ g_{\omega}^{4} \ \omega^{3} + 2h \ g_{\rho}^{2}g_{\omega}^{2}\rho^{2}\omega = g_{\omega} \left\langle \overline{\Psi}_{N}(x)\gamma_{0}\Psi_{N}(x)\right\rangle = g_{\omega} \sum_{B} n_{B}$$
(2)

$$m_{\rho}^{2}\rho + 4e \ g_{\rho}^{4}\rho^{3} + 2 \left[f \ g_{\sigma}^{2}\sigma^{2} + h \ g_{\omega}^{2}\omega^{2}\right] \ g_{\rho}^{2}\rho = \frac{1}{2} g_{\rho} \left\langle \overline{\Psi}_{N}(x)\gamma_{0}\tau_{3}\Psi_{N}(x)\right\rangle = \sum_{B} I_{B}n_{B}$$
(3)

$$n_{S}(B) \equiv \sum_{B} \frac{g_{B}m_{B}^{*3}}{4\pi^{2}} \left[x_{B}\sqrt{1 + x_{B}^{2}} - \ln\left(x_{B} + \sqrt{1 + x_{B}^{2}}\right)\right] \sum_{B} n_{B} = n_{p} + n_{n} = n \qquad \sum_{B} I_{B}n_{B} = \frac{1}{2}(n_{p} - n_{n})$$

 \sum_{B}



Relativistic Mean Field Models: Final Set of Equations

Take the meson equations and replace meson fields by their mean values, evaluate the rhs by filling the nucleon Fermi sees to get:

$$m_{\sigma}^{2}\sigma + 3b \ mg_{\sigma}^{3}\sigma^{2} + 4c \ g_{\sigma}^{4}\sigma^{3} - 2f \ g_{\sigma}^{2}g_{\rho}^{2}\sigma\rho^{2} = g_{\sigma} \left\langle \overline{\Psi}_{N}(x)\Psi_{N}(x)\right\rangle = g_{\sigma} \sum_{B} n_{S}(B) \quad (1)$$

$$m_{\omega}^{2}\omega + 4d \ g_{\omega}^{4} \ \omega^{3} + 2h \ g_{\rho}^{2}g_{\omega}^{2}\rho^{2}\omega = g_{\omega} \left\langle \overline{\Psi}_{N}(x)\gamma_{0}\Psi_{N}(x)\right\rangle = g_{\omega} \sum_{B} n_{B} \quad (2)$$

$$m_{\rho}^{2}\rho + 4e \ g_{\rho}^{4}\rho^{3} + 2 \left[f \ g_{\sigma}^{2}\sigma^{2} + h \ g_{\omega}^{2}\omega^{2}\right] \ g_{\rho}^{2}\rho = \frac{1}{2}g_{\rho} \left\langle \overline{\Psi}_{N}(x)\gamma_{0}\tau_{3} \ \Psi_{N}(x)\right\rangle = \sum_{B} I_{B}n_{B} \quad (3)$$

$$\sum_{B} n_{B} = n_{p} + n_{n} = n \qquad \sum_{B} I_{B}n_{B} = \frac{1}{2}(n_{p} - n_{n})$$
Also solve for baryon number charge neutrality and beta equilibrium
$$\begin{cases} n_{p} + n_{n} = n \qquad (4) \\ n_{e} + n_{\mu} = n_{p} \qquad (5) \\ \mu_{\mu} = \mu_{e} \qquad (7) \end{cases}$$

$$F = n_{D} n_$$

Iterate on a series of baryon densities to get an EOS (after calculating ε and P)

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Relativistic Mean Field Models: The Equation of State (EOS)

Energy momentum tensor:

$$T^{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_{\mu}\phi_{i})} \partial^{\nu}\phi_{i} - \eta^{\mu\nu}\mathcal{L} = \operatorname{diag}(\epsilon, P, P, P)$$

Mean field ε and P:

$$\epsilon = -\langle \mathcal{L} \rangle + \left\langle \overline{\Psi}_N \gamma_0 k_0 \Psi_N \right\rangle \qquad P = \left\langle \mathcal{L} \right\rangle + \frac{1}{3} \left\langle \overline{\Psi}_N \gamma_i k_i \Psi_N \right\rangle$$

Mean field Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}\rangle = -\frac{1}{2}m_{\sigma}^{2}\sigma^{2} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\omega}^{2}\omega_{0}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\rho}^{2}\rho_{30}^{2} - \langle U_{\text{eff}}\rangle$$
$$\langle U_{\text{eff}}\rangle = b m g_{\sigma}^{3}\sigma^{3} + c g_{\sigma}^{4}\sigma^{4} - d g_{\omega}^{4}\omega^{4} - e g_{\rho}^{4}\rho^{4} - \left[f(g_{\sigma}\sigma)^{2} + h(g_{\omega}\omega)^{2}\right](g_{\rho}\rho)^{2}$$

$$\begin{split} \epsilon &= \frac{1}{2}m_{\sigma}^{2}\sigma^{2} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\omega}^{2}\omega^{2} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\rho}^{2}\rho^{2} \\ &+ b mg_{\sigma}^{3}\sigma^{3} + c g_{\sigma}^{4}\sigma^{4} + 3d g_{\omega}^{4}\omega^{4} + 3e g_{\rho}^{4}\rho^{4} \\ &+ \left[f(g_{\sigma}\sigma)^{2} + h(g_{\omega}\omega)^{2}\right](g_{\rho}\rho)^{2} \\ &+ \sum_{B} \frac{g_{B}}{2}\frac{m_{B}^{*4}}{8\pi^{2}} \left[x_{B}\sqrt{1 + x_{B}^{2}}(1 + 2x_{B}^{2}) - \ln\left(x_{B} + \sqrt{1 + x_{B}^{2}}\right)\right] \\ &+ \sum_{L} \frac{g_{L}}{2}\frac{m_{L}^{*4}}{8\pi^{2}} \left[x_{L}\sqrt{1 + x_{L}^{2}}(1 + 2x_{L}^{2}) - \ln\left(x_{L} + \sqrt{1 + x_{L}^{2}}\right)\right] \\ &+ \sum_{L} \frac{g_{L}}{2}\frac{m_{L}^{*4}}{8\pi^{2}} \left[x_{L}\sqrt{1 + x_{L}^{2}}(1 + 2x_{L}^{2}) - \ln\left(x_{L} + \sqrt{1 + x_{L}^{2}}\right)\right] \\ \end{split}$$

Hyperons in Neutron Stars



Hyperons in Neutron Stars ?

$$--- \mu_{B^0} = \mu_n$$
$$--- \mu_{B^-} = \mu_n + \mu_e$$
$$--- \mu_{B^+} = \mu_n - \mu_e$$



Figure 10 Baryon chemical potentials in dense stellar matter.

Thick lines: Walecka type model

Thin lines: free gases

Dense Matter in Compact Stars: Theoretical Developments and Observational Constraints, Page D. & Reddy S., 2006, Annu. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 56, 327

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Hyperons in Neutron Stars?



Neutron stars are giant hypernuclei?

N.K. Glendenning, ApJ 293, 470 (1985)



Maximum Mass with Hyperons (1)



Brückner-Hartree-Fock calculations: Argonne V₁₈ : NN interaction GLMM or UIX NN : three-body forces NSC89 (NN+NY) and NSC97 (NN+NY+YY) : Nijmegen soft-core

> Maximum mass of neutron stars Schulze, H.-J.; Polls, A.; Ramos, A.; Vidaña, I. 2006PhRvC..73e8801S

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Maximum Mass with Hyperons (2)



Estimation of the effect of hyperonic three-body forces on the maximum mass of neutron stars Vidaña, I.; Logoteta, D.; Providência, C.; Polls, A.; Bombaci, I. <u>2011EL....9411002V</u>

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Maximum Mass with Hyperons (3): A Successful Model





Fig. 5. Gravitational stellar mass, M, versus circumferential radius, R, calculated for the EOS.N and EOS.NH. Only stable configurations are displayed. Inset: effect of rotation at f = 317 Hz on the M – equatorial circumferential radius curve near M_{max} .

Fig. 4. The logarithm of the number fractions of the constituents of dense matter, $\log_{10}(Y_i)$, versus circumferential radius, in the liquid core of a 1.97 M_{\odot} star model based on the BM165 EOS.

Recipe for success:

- Non-linear self-interactions for mesons (4-th degree)
- Include strange mesons that do not couple to nucleons

<u>Hyperons in neutron-star cores and a 2 M_{sun} pulsar</u> Bednarek, I.; Haensel, P.; Zdunik, J. L.; Bejger, M.; Mańka, R. 2012A&A...543A.157B</u>

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Quark Matter in Neutron Stars



The QCD Phase diagram





Pressure: Quark Matter vs Nucleons



Figure 12 Pressure versus baryon chemical potential for several quark matter equation of state models. For reference, the pressure in the nuclear model is also shown.

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> Tomorrow's Lecture: not all of this theory is Fairy Tale

