Quantum computing for nuclear astrophysics: recent developments

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Collective neutrino flavor oscillations

► NJL model

Thermal and ground state preparation

Neutrino Flavor vs Mass

http://www.hyper-k.org/en/neutrino.html



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Supernova Explosion





- $\blacktriangleright\,$ Neutrinos carry $\sim 10^{53}~{\rm erg}$ of energy
- All flavors produced ($\sim 10^{58} \nu$ over ~ 10 s)
- $(\nu_e, \overline{\nu}_e)$ can re-invigorate the shock wave and impact nucleo-synthesis
- Flavor oscillations will mix the three flavors

Neutral Currents

"The Universe at the MeV era: neutrino evolution and cosmological observables", Julien Frousty, arxiv 2209.06672

$$\begin{split} \hat{H}_{NC}^{\nu\nu} &= \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} m_Z^2 \sum_{\alpha,\beta} \int [\mathrm{d}^3 \vec{p}_1] [\mathrm{d}^3 \vec{p}_2] [\mathrm{d}^3 \vec{p}_3] [\mathrm{d}^3 \vec{p}_4] \ (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)} (\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2 - \vec{p}_3 - \vec{p}_4) \\ &\times [\overline{\psi}_{\nu_{\alpha}}(\vec{p}_1) \gamma_{\mu} P_L \psi_{\nu_{\alpha}}(\vec{p}_3)] Z^{\mu\nu} (\Delta) [\overline{\psi}_{\nu_{\beta}}(\vec{p}_2) \gamma_{\nu} P_L \psi_{\nu_{\beta}}(\vec{p}_4)] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i,j,k,l} \tilde{v}_{jl}^{ik} a_l^{\dagger} a_k^{\dagger} a_l a_j \end{split}$$

Interaction process	$ ilde{v}_{34}^{12}/\left[\sqrt{2}G_{F}(2\pi)^{3}\delta^{(3)}(ec{p}_{1}+ec{p}_{2}-ec{p}_{3}-ec{p}_{4}) ight]$
$\nu_{\alpha}(1)\nu_{\beta}(2)\nu_{\alpha}(3)\nu_{\beta}(4)$	$(1 + \delta_{\alpha\beta}) \times [\bar{u}_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{h_{1}}(\vec{p}_{1})\gamma^{\mu}P_{L}u_{\nu_{\alpha}}^{h_{3}}(\vec{p}_{3})][\bar{u}_{\nu_{\beta}}^{h_{2}}(\vec{p}_{2})\gamma_{\mu}P_{L}u_{\nu_{\beta}}^{h_{4}}(\vec{p}_{4})]$
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Two flavor operator algebra

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Forward scattering (diagonal elements)

$$\begin{split} J_{+}(\mathbf{p}) &= a_{e}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{p})a_{x}(\mathbf{p}), \quad J_{-}(\mathbf{p}) &= a_{x}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{p})a_{e}(\mathbf{p}), \\ J_{z}(\mathbf{p}) &= \frac{1}{2}\left(a_{e}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{p})a_{e}(\mathbf{p}) - a_{x}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{p})a_{x}(\mathbf{p})\right). \end{split}$$

 $[J_{\pm}(\mathbf{p}), J_{\pm}(\mathbf{q})] = 2\delta_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}J_{z}(\mathbf{p}), \quad [J_{z}(\mathbf{p}), J_{\pm}(\mathbf{q})] = \pm\delta_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{q}}J_{\pm}(\mathbf{p}).$

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The Hamiltonian

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Mass Term and Forward Scattering with Matter

$$H_{\nu} = \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \omega_{p} \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{p}} - \sqrt{2} G_{F} \sum_{\mathbf{p}} N_{e} J_{\mathbf{p}}^{z},$$
$$\omega_{p} = \frac{\Delta^{2} m}{2p}, \ \mathbf{B} = \sin(2\theta) \hat{x} - \cos(2\theta) \hat{z}$$

Forward Scattering Between Neutrinos

$$H_{\nu\nu} = \mu \sum_{\mathbf{pq}} (1 - \cos \vartheta_{\mathbf{pq}}) \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{q}}, \quad \mu = \sqrt{2} \frac{G_F}{V}$$

Collective Oscillations: Approximations

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$$\begin{split} H_{\nu\nu}^{\mathsf{MF}} &= \sum_{\mathbf{pq}} \mu (1 - \cos \vartheta_{\mathbf{pq}}) \left(P_{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{q}} \right), \quad \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{p}} = \langle \Psi(t) | \mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{p}} | \Psi(t) \rangle \\ d_t \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{p}} &= \overline{\omega}_p \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{p}} + \mu \sum_{\mathbf{q}} (1 - \cos \vartheta_{\mathbf{pq}}) \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{q}} \times \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{p}} \end{split}$$

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Mean Field Assumption: $\langle J_i J_j \rangle = \langle J_i \rangle \langle J_j \rangle$ No Correlations!

Beyond mean field

Single angle approximation

- Bethe ansatz PRD 99, 123013 (2019)
- Tensor networks [Roggero PRD 104, 123023 (2021), Roggero PRD 104 (2021) 103016, Cervia etal PRD 105, 123025 (2022)]
- Quantum computing [Yeter-Aydeniz etal arxiv 2104.03273, Siwach, Harrison, Balantekin arxiv 2308.09123 (2023)]

Multi angle treatment

- Cubic lattice systems, exact, up to 20 ν [Rrapaj, PRC 101, 065805 (2020)]
- Large N in specific geometries [Roggero, Rrapaj, Xiong PRD 106, 043022 (2022)]
- Quantum computing [Hall etal Phys. Rev. D 104, 063009 (2021), PRA 106, 052605 (2022)]

Gates and Qubits: Introduction



- Qubit \equiv spin 1/2, two state system
- *n* qubits $\equiv 2^n$ states of *n* spin 1/2 particle system
- Gate \equiv unitary operator acting on qubits
- Only certain gates are available
 - **1**. One qubit gates \longrightarrow rotations in SU(2)
 - 2. Two qubit gates \longrightarrow controlled rotations



The state of one qubit

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Generic State} \\ |\Psi\rangle = \cos(\frac{\theta}{2})|0\rangle + e^{-i\phi}\sin(\frac{\theta}{2})|1\rangle \end{array}$

Z gate (phase flip) $\hat{Z} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$

X gate (NOT) $\hat{X}|0
angle = |1
angle, \ \hat{X}|1
angle = |0
angle$

RY gate $e^{-i\alpha/2\hat{Y}} = \cos(\frac{\alpha}{2})\hat{I} - i\sin(\frac{\alpha}{2})\hat{Y}$





Modifying the state of two qubits





Gate Based Quantum Computing



• Initial state
$$|\Psi_0\rangle = |0, 0....\rangle$$

• Time evolution operator $e^{-i \triangle tH}$ decomposition:

Single qubit — rotation $(e^{-i\sigma^{x,y,z}\alpha})$

Two qubit — controlled operation (CNOT)

Apply gates

Measure

Three flavors

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Hamiltonian, mass basis

$$\begin{split} H &= \sum_{\vec{p}} \vec{B}(\vec{p}) \cdot \vec{Q}(\vec{p}) + \mu \sum_{\vec{p}, \vec{p}'} \left(1 - \cos \theta_{\vec{p}\vec{p}'} \right) \vec{Q}(\vec{p}) \cdot \vec{Q}(\vec{p}'), \\ \vec{B}(\vec{p}) &= \{ 0, 0, -\omega_p, 0, 0, 0, 0, -2\Omega_p / \sqrt{3} \}, \\ \omega_p &= \frac{m_2^2 - m_1^2}{2p}, \Omega_p \approx \frac{m_3^2 - m_1^2}{2p} \approx \frac{m_3^2 - m_2^2}{2p}. \end{split}$$

Flavor mixing

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = U_{\rm PMNS} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}, \ U_{\rm PMNS} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta}{\rm CP} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta}{\rm CP} & 0 & c_{13} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Three flavors & qubits

SU(3) algebra

$$\begin{split} & [Q_i, Q_j] = if_{ijk} Q_k, \ \{Q_i, Q_j\} = \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} + d_{ijk} Q_k, \\ & f^{123} = 1, \ f^{147} = -f^{156} = f^{246} = f^{257} = f^{345} = -f^{367} = \frac{1}{2}, \ f^{458} = f^{678} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}. \end{split}$$

Qubit representation

$$\begin{split} & 2Q_1 = \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 + \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2, \ 2Q_2 = \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 - \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2, \\ & 2Q_3 = \sigma_3 \otimes \sigma_0 - \sigma_0 \otimes \sigma_3, \ 2Q_4 = \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_0 - \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_3, \\ & 2Q_5 = \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_0 - \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_3, \ 2Q_6 = \sigma_0 \otimes \sigma_1 - \sigma_3 \otimes \sigma_1, \\ & 2Q_7 = \sigma_0 \otimes \sigma_2 - \sigma_3 \otimes \sigma_2, \\ & 2Q_8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (\sigma_0 \otimes \sigma_3 + \sigma_3 \otimes \sigma_0 - 2\sigma_3 \otimes \sigma_3). \end{split}$$

Three flavors, continued

Physical Subspace

$$\begin{split} |\nu_e\rangle = &|01\rangle, \ |\nu_{\mu}\rangle = |10\rangle, \ |\nu_{\tau}\rangle = |11\rangle, \ |\tilde{\nu}\rangle = |00\rangle \\ p_{\nu_e} = &\langle Q_3\rangle + \frac{\langle Q_8\rangle}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{3}, \ p_{\nu_{\mu}} = -\langle Q_3\rangle + \frac{\langle Q_8\rangle}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{3}, \ p_{\nu_{\tau}} = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{2\langle Q_8\rangle}{\sqrt{3}} \end{split}$$

Trotter step gate cost

- Naive implementation: > 300 CX
- Symmetries + Subspace: ≤ 34 CX
- ▶ Qutrits: ≤ 8 CSUM (CX for 3 levels)

Stay Tuned!

Quantum Chromo Dynamics



- Degrees of freedom: quarks + gluons
- Assymptotic freedom at high Q

• Nonperturbative behavior at $Q \lesssim 1$ GeV:

- Confinement of quarks and gluons
- QCD vacuum has condensations of quarks and gluons
- Nambu—Goldstone (NG) bosons and dynamical breaking of chiral symmetry (DBCS)
- $U(1)_A$ anomaly (heavy η' and anomlaous decay $\eta \to 3\pi$)
- Eplicit SU(3)_V symmetry breaking

Kobayashi and Maskawa (1970) – NJL model needs a term which breaks axial U(1) symmetry to solve the problem of the anomalously large η^\prime mass.

$$\mathcal{L}_6 = g \left[\mathsf{det} \left(ar{q}_i (1 + \gamma_5) q_j
ight) + \mathsf{det} \left(ar{q}_i (1 - \gamma_5) q_j
ight)
ight]$$

Weinberg (1975) – Discusses the axial U(1) problem. Unbroken axial U(1) would imply a light isoscalar pseudoscalar boson which has not observed.

 $^{\rm G.\,'t\,\,Hooft,\,\,Phys.\,\,Rev.\,\,Lett.\,\,37,\,8\,\,(1976);\,\,Phys.\,Rev.\,\,D}$ 14, 3432 (1976); Err. 18, 2199 (1978). 't Hooft (1976) – A six-quark interaction of exactly this form arises from instanton physics.

This interaction flips the helicity of the quarks!



Hatsuda, Kunihiro

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$$H = \int dx \left\{ \bar{q} \left(-i\gamma \cdot \nabla \right) q + g \left[(\bar{q}q)^2 + (\bar{q}i\gamma^5 q)^2 \right] - \mu \left(\bar{q}\gamma^0 q \right) \right\}$$

$$\blacktriangleright \ \bar{q}q = \sum_{a}^{N_C} \bar{q}^{(a)}q^{(a)}$$

- \blacktriangleright μ = chemical potential
- ▶ g > 0 (attractive force between quark—anti-quark)
- g has dimension $E^{-2} \longrightarrow$ non-renormalizable, $\Lambda = \text{cut-off}$

NJL + spin algebra

Interaction term

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$$\begin{split} H_{g} &= g \int dx \sum_{\vec{p}_{1}, s_{1}} \sum_{\vec{p}_{2}, s_{2}} \sum_{\vec{p}_{3}, s_{3}} \sum_{\vec{p}_{4}, s_{4}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_{p_{1}}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_{p_{2}}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_{p_{3}}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_{p_{4}}}} \int dx \\ & \left[\left(a_{\vec{p}_{1}}^{\dagger(s)} \vec{u}_{\vec{p}_{1}}^{(s)} e^{i\vec{p}_{1} \cdot \vec{x}} + b_{\vec{p}_{1}}^{(s)} \vec{v}_{\vec{p}_{1}}^{(s)} e^{-i\vec{p}_{1} \cdot \vec{x}} \right) (1 - \gamma^{5}) \left(a_{\vec{p}_{2}}^{(s_{2})} u_{\vec{p}_{2}}^{(s_{2})} e^{-i\vec{p}_{2} \cdot \vec{x}} + b_{\vec{p}_{2}}^{\dagger(s)} v_{\vec{p}_{2}}^{(s)} e^{i\vec{p}_{2} \cdot \vec{x}} \right) \right] \\ & \left[\left(a_{\vec{p}_{3}}^{\dagger(s)} \vec{u}_{\vec{p}_{3}}^{(s)} e^{i\vec{p}_{3} \cdot \vec{x}} + b_{\vec{p}_{3}}^{(s)} \vec{v}_{\vec{p}_{3}}^{(s)} e^{-i\vec{p}_{3} \cdot \vec{x}} \right) (1 + \gamma^{5}) \left(a_{\vec{p}_{4}}^{(s_{4})} u_{\vec{p}_{4}}^{(s_{4})} e^{-i\vec{p}_{4} \cdot \vec{x}} + b_{\vec{p}_{4}}^{\dagger(s)} v_{\vec{p}_{4}}^{(s_{4})} e^{i\vec{p}_{4} \cdot \vec{x}} \right) \right] \\ & = \dots \text{Complicated!} \longrightarrow \text{Restrict kinematics between particles and antiparticles} \end{split}$$

Qubit Hamiltonian

$$\begin{split} H &= 2N_{C}\sum_{\vec{p},s} \left[\frac{p}{\Omega}(A_{\vec{p}}^{z,(s)} + B_{\vec{p}}^{z,(s)}) - \frac{\mu}{\Omega}(A_{\vec{p}}^{z,(s)} - B_{\vec{p}}^{z,(s)})\right] \\ &+ \frac{2g}{\Omega^{2}}\sum_{\vec{p}_{1},\vec{p}_{2},h} \left[\tilde{p}_{1}^{(-h)}(A_{\vec{p}_{1}}^{h(+)} + B_{\vec{p}_{1}}^{h(+)}) + \tilde{p}_{1}^{(h)}(A_{\vec{p}_{1}}^{-h(-)} + B_{\vec{p}_{1}}^{-h(-)})\right] \\ &\times \left[\tilde{p}_{2}^{(-h)}(A_{\vec{p}_{2}}^{h(-)} + B_{\vec{p}_{2}}^{h(-)}) + \tilde{p}_{2}^{(h)}(A_{\vec{p}_{2}}^{-h(+)} + B_{\vec{p}_{2}}^{-h(+)})\right] \rightarrow \text{Implement on hardware!} \end{split}$$

Nuclear potential



S. Gandolfi, J. Carlson, and Sanjay Reddy, PRC 85, 032801(R), (2012) S.K. Bogner, R.J. Furnstahl, A. Schwenk Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys.65:94-147,2010

$V(\vec{r}) = \sum_{i} V_{i}(\vec{r}) + \sum_{i < j} V_{ij}(\vec{r}) + \sum_{i < j < k} V_{ijk}(\vec{r}) + \dots$

Neutron Star Mass-Radius

Three body interactions





QMC calculations for Nuclear Physics



W. M. C. Foulkes, L. Mitas, R. J. Needs, and G. Rajagopal Rev. Mod. Phys. 73, 33 (2001) J. Carlson, S. Gandolfi, F. Pederiva, Steven C. Pieper, R. Schiavilla, K.E. Schmidt, and R.B. Wiringa Rev. Mod. Phys. 87, 1067 (2015)

Challenges in QMC calculations

- Nuclear physics: many body interactions + complex spin structures
- MC step requires the evolution of $|\Psi_{t+\tau}\rangle \approx e^{-\tau V \hat{\sigma}_a \hat{\sigma}_b \hat{\sigma}_c} |\Psi_t\rangle$
- ▶ GFMC \rightarrow fully entangled wavefunction

• AFDMC exploits decoupling $|\Psi_{t+\tau}\rangle \approx \sum_{k \in \{a,b,c\}} p_k e^{-\tau V \hat{\sigma}_k} |\Psi_t\rangle$



figure from Diego Lonardoni

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Auxiliary fields

R. L. Stratonovich, Soviet Physics Doklady 2, 416 (1957)
 J. Hubbard, Phys. Rev. Lett. 3, 77 (1959)
 J. E. Hirsch, Phys. Rev. B 28, 4059 (1983)
 E. Rrapaj, A.Roggero PRE 103, 013302 (2021)

Classical Computing

- ► Hubbard-Stratonovich: exp $\left(-\frac{\tau}{2}\hat{O}^2\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dh e^{-\left(\hbar^2/2 + \sqrt{-\tau}h\hat{O}\right)}, \ \tau < 0$
- Hirsch: $\exp(-\tau \hat{\rho}_{\mu} \hat{\rho}_{\nu}) = \sum_{h=\pm 1} P(h) e^{h(A_{\mu} \hat{\rho}_{\mu} + A_{\nu} \hat{\rho}_{\nu})}, \ \tau \in \mathbb{R}$
- ► Higher order interactions → Restricted Boltzmann Machine

Quantum Computing

Apply Boltzmann machines to quantum hardware:

- Finite temperature
- Ground state preparation

Thank you







