

# ULTRA-DENSE MATTER OF NEUTRON STARS AND SUPERNOVAE

## PART II: THE EQUATION OF STATE OF HOT AND DENSE MATTER

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# EQUATION OF STATE AND EQUILIBRIUM CONDITIONS

## CONDITIONS FOR BNS MERGER REMNANTS AND CCSN

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The number of parameters depends on equilibrium conditions :

- For a cold and charge-neutral neutron star in  $\beta$ -equilibrium :  
EoS is  $P(n_B)$  (or equivalent)
- For core collapse and neutron star merger remnants :
  - ▶ **Thermal** and **mechanical** equilibrium in general very quickly achieved except for neutrinos
    - ★ these particles have to be treated by transport equations coupled to hydrodynamics
  - ▶ charge neutrality always fulfilled, i.e.

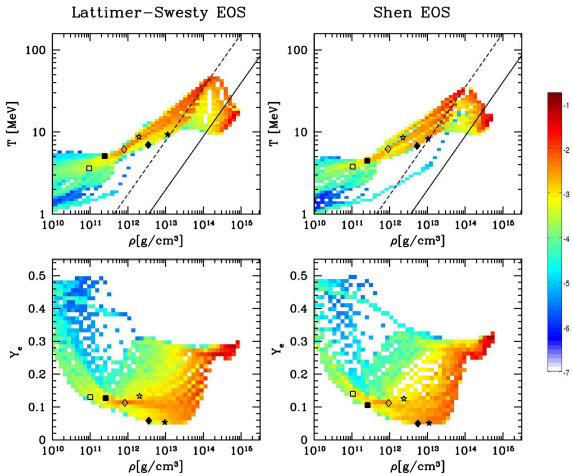
$$Y_e = \sum_{\text{hadrons}} n_{q,h}/n_B \equiv Y_q$$

- hydrodynamical timescale  $\sim 10^{-6}$  s  $\rightarrow$   $\beta$ -equilibrium not always achieved

What about the temperature?



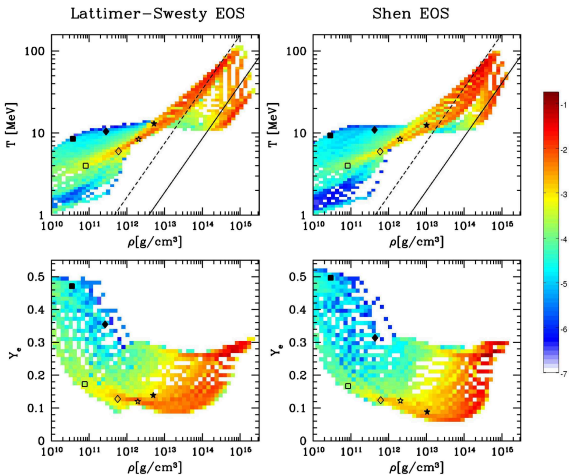
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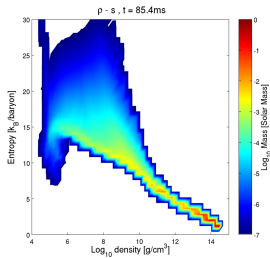
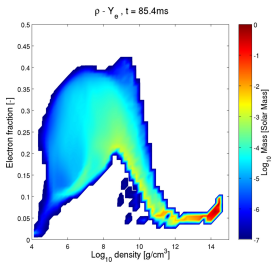


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# TEMPERATURE EFFECTS IN A FERMI GAS

- Recall : Fermi-Dirac distribution function  $f_{FD}(p) = \frac{1}{\exp((E(p) - \mu)/T) + 1}$  becomes a step function in the degenerate limit,  $T \ll \mu$

## Temperature corrections :

- In the non-relativistic case (nucleons) :

$$\varepsilon = mn + a_1 \frac{n^{5/3}}{m} + a_2 T^2 mn^{1/3} + \dots$$

Numerical estimate for  $m = 1 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $n = 0.1 \text{ fm}^{-3}$  ( $T$  in MeV) :  $\varepsilon[\text{MeV}/\text{fm}^3] = 100 + a_1 0.86 + a_2 T^2 0.011604 + \dots$

- In the ultra-relativistic case (electrons) :

$$\varepsilon = a_1 n^{4/3} + a_2 n^{2/3} T^2 + a_3 T^4 + \dots$$

Numerical estimate for  $n = 0.1 \text{ fm}^{-3}$  ( $T$  in MeV) :  $\varepsilon[\text{MeV}/\text{fm}^3] = a_1 9.3 + a_2 T^2 0.001 + a_3 T^4 8 \times 10^{-8} + \dots$

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- ▶  $\beta$ -equilibrium not always achieved
- ▶ temperature effects not negligible !

→ EoS is  $P(n_B, T, Y_e)$  (or equivalent)

Very large ranges to be covered :

$$n_B = 10^{-8} \text{fm}^{-3} \dots 1 \text{fm}^{-3}$$

$$T = 0.2 \text{MeV} \dots 150 \text{MeV}$$

$$Y_e = 0.05 \dots 0.5$$





# WE NEED AN EOS FOR HOT DENSE ASYMMETRIC MATTER...

- Three parts of the EoS :
  - ▶ Hadrons
  - ▶ Charged leptons, free Fermi gas coupled to hadrons only via charge neutrality  
Neutrinos are not in thermal equilibrium, can thus not be treated via EoS
  - ▶ Photons, free (massless) Bose gas with

$$p = \frac{\pi^2}{15} \frac{T^4}{3} \quad \varepsilon = \frac{\pi^2}{15} T^4$$

In the following we will concentrate on the hadronic part.



# THE HADRONIC EOS

Composition of hadronic matter changes dramatically depending on **baryon number density**, **charge fraction** (asymmetry), and **temperature**.

Different regimes :

- Very low densities and temperatures :
  - ▶ dilute gas of non-interacting nuclei  
→ nuclear statistical equilibrium (NSE)
- Intermediate densities and low temperatures :
  - ▶ gas of interacting nuclei surrounded by free nucleons  
→ approaches beyond NSE
- High densities and temperatures :
  - ▶ nuclei dissolve  
→ strongly interacting (homogeneous) hadronic matter
  - ▶ potentially transition to the quark gluon plasma



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# NUCLEAR STATISTICAL EQUILIBRIUM (NSE)

**Basic assumption** : mixture of nucleons ( $n, p$ ) and nuclei ( $X$ ) in **chemical equilibrium**

- chemical equilibrium expressed via equality of chemical potentials for a nucleus with  $Z$  protons and  $N$  neutrons :

$${}^A_Z X_N : Zp + (A - Z)n \quad \mu_X = Z\mu_p + (A - Z)\mu_n$$

- simplest model (called NSE in the literature) assumes in addition non-interacting independent particles
  - ▶ partition function factorises :  $Z = \prod_i Z_i$
  - ▶ particles form an ideal gas (Maxwell-Boltzmann or Fermi/Bose)

Attention : Approximation not really valid below  $T \sim 0.5$  MeV and low densities : nuclear reaction network necessary, determining abundances from individual reaction rates



# SIMPLEST MODEL

- Maxwell-Boltzmann statistics with  $f_{\text{MB}} = e^{-E_i/T} e^{\mu_i/T}$
- non-relativistic kinematics :  $E_i = m_i + \frac{p_i^2}{2m_i}$

- energy density and pressure  $\varepsilon = \sum_i g_i \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} E_i f_{\text{MB}}$

$$\varepsilon = \sum_i m_i n_i + \frac{3}{2} \frac{T}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \sum_i g_i (m_i T)^{3/2} z_i = \sum_i m_i n_i + \frac{3}{2} T \sum_i n_i$$

$$p = \frac{T}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \sum_i g_i (m_i T)^{3/2} z_i = T \sum_i n_i$$

- $g_i = (2J_i + 1)$  are the **degeneracy factors**
- $z_i = \exp((\mu_i - m_i)/T)$  are often called **fugacities**
- consider only nuclear ground states
- masses and spins of individual nuclei from data tables (e.g. NuBase 2012 evaluation with 3350 nuclides) or mass formulae



# A SIMPLE EXAMPLE

- take a mixture of neutrons ( $n$ ), protons ( $p$ ) and deuterons ( $d = {}^2\text{H}$ )

$$n + p \leftrightarrow d \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu_p + \mu_n = \mu_d$$

- $m_d = m_n + m_p - B_d$ , deuteron binding energy  $B_d = 2.225$  MeV

- individual number densities

$$n_i = g_i \frac{(m_i T)^{3/2}}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \exp\left(\frac{\mu_i - m_i}{T}\right)$$

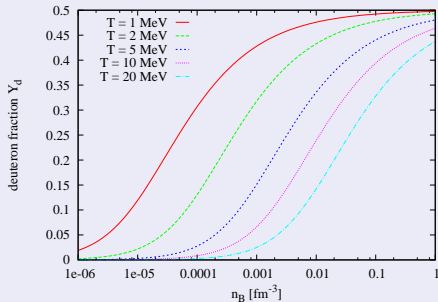
- deuteron fraction  $Y_d = \frac{n_d}{n_B}$

- pressure and energy density

$$p = T \sum_{n,p,d} n_i$$

$$\varepsilon = \sum_{n,p,d} \left(m_i + \frac{3}{2}T\right) n_i$$

DEUTERON FRACTION FOR SYMMETRIC MATTER ( $n_n = n_p$ )



# POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENTS ?

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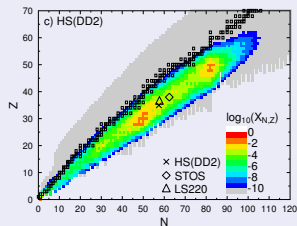
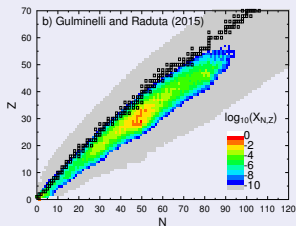
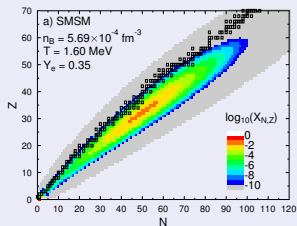
$$\rightarrow g_i(T) = g_i(T=0) + \sum_j (2J_j + 1) \exp\left(-\frac{E_j}{T}\right)$$

in general semi-empirical formulae used

- Coulomb corrections and surface effects
- Mass model for “exotic” nuclei

Modeling does not only depend on the interaction between nucleons, but on the modeling of these effects

NUCLEAR ABUNDANCES WITHIN DIFFERENT MODELS (SAME THERMODYNAMIC CONDITIONS, GAS DENSITY NEGLIGIBLE) [MO+ 2017]





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- At higher densities ( $n_B \sim 10^{-4} \text{fm}^{-3}$ ) medium effects become important, the (strong) interaction of clusters and with the surrounding nucleons cannot be neglected  
In particular : Pauli exclusion principle leads to the dissolution of clusters!  
→ different approaches beyond NSE



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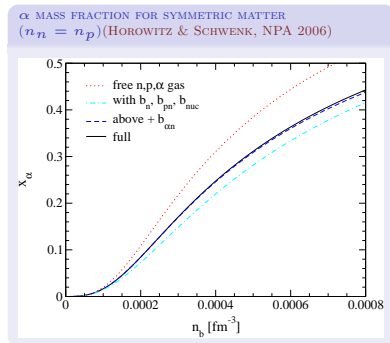
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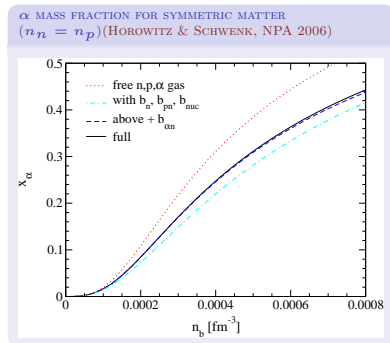
- Idea : as far as fugacities  $z_i = \exp((\mu_i - m_i)/T) \ll 1$ , the (grand canonical) partition function can be expanded in terms of  $z_i$
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## 2. Quantum statistical

- Idea : solve self-consistently for in-medium propagators and  $T$ -matrix
- medium dependent shift of binding energies (Pauli principle) and phase shifts
- dissolution of clusters at high densities (Mott effect)



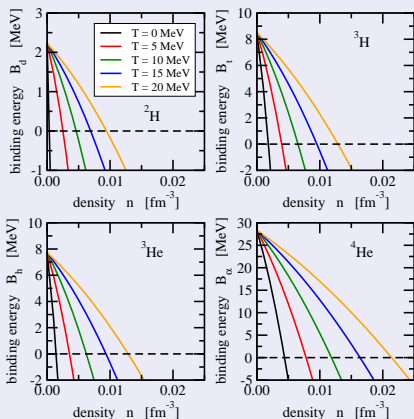
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## 3. Generalised energy density functional approach

- Idea : include light clusters explicitly in the EDF with medium dependent binding energies fitted to QS data
- How to treat heavy clusters? → same principle with phenomenological form for binding energies (competition between electron screening and Pauli blocking)

Typel 2018, Typel & Pais 2017, Fischer+ 2020

IN-MEDIUM CLUSTER BINDING ENERGIES(TYPEL ET AL. PRC 2010)



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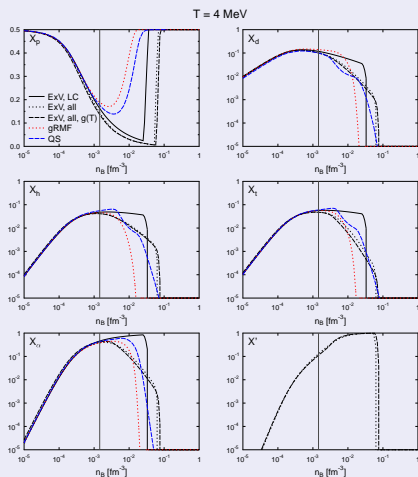
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## 4. Phenomenological excluded volume

- Idea : mimic medium effects (Pauli principle) by excluding the volume occupied by a cluster for all other clusters
- cluster dissolution not well described since medium modifications of cluster properties not included

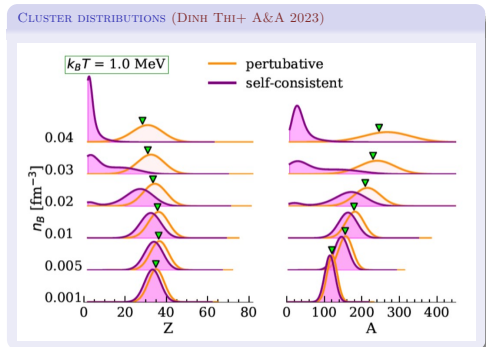
COMPARISON OF LIGHT CLUSTER ABUNDANCES FOR SYMMETRIC MATTER (HEMPEL+ PRC 2011)



# DIFFERENT APPROACHES BEYOND NSE

## 5. Microscopic modeling of in-medium effects

- Idea : in-medium effects are naturally included in a microscopic density functional calculation in a WS cell (type HFB, ETF, ...)
- “Cluster” defined after subtraction of uniform nucleon background
- Optimal cluster distribution by minimizing the free energy of a mixture of WS configurations



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# CHOICE OF THE INTERACTION FOR BULK MATTER

Ab-initio calculations at finite temperature **very** demanding

→ only few results for restricted  $n_B, T, Y_q$  ranges

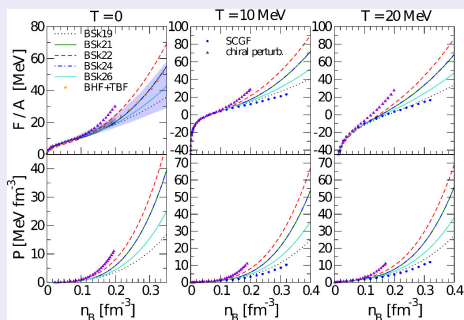
→ mainly phenomenological models used

Question : Can we use the same (phenomenological) effective interactions in the whole  $(T, n_B, Y_q)$  range ?

- temperature effects on the interaction small, enter only via the kinetic energy terms

→ Basic assumption : the same (effective) interaction can be used throughout the entire EoS range

EoS OF NEUTRON MATTER IN A SKYRME MEAN FIELD COMPARED WITH MICROSCOPIC CALCULATIONS (A. FANTINA)



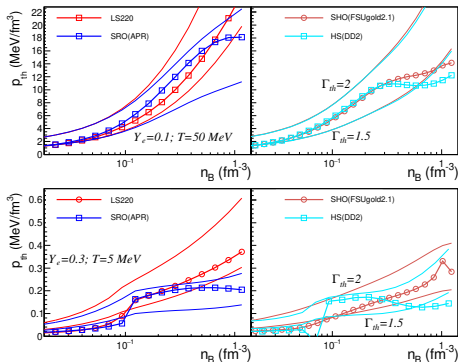
# THERMAL EFFECTS MAINLY VIA EFFECTIVE MASSES

- Main thermal effect via distribution function in kinetic energy

SINGLE PARTICLE ENERGIES

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m^*} + m^* - \mu^*$$

- Attention : different definition of effective masses and chemical potentials in non-relativistic/relativistic models (Landau/Dirac) masses



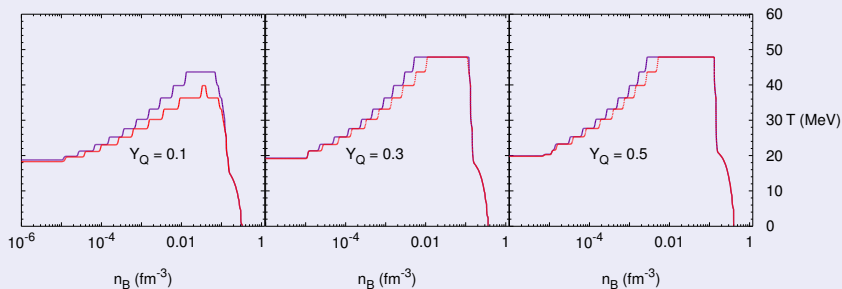
[Raduta+2022]

- Overall thermal effects small in energy and larger in pressure
- Often used  $\Gamma$ -law does not reproduce density dependence of thermal pressure



# WHERE DO HYPERONS APPEAR ?

REGIONS WITH AN OVERALL HYPERON FRACTION  $> 10^{-4}$  [MARQUES ET AL 2017]



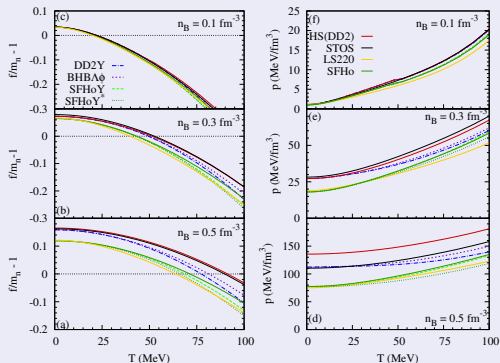
- Bump slightly below saturation due to competition between hyperons and light clusters
- Low charge fraction favors hyperons
- No hyperons included in inhomogeneous matter (→ poster by Tiago Custodio)



# HOMOGENEOUS HOT AND DENSE MATTER

- Temperature effects in favor of appearance of additional particles (hyperons, mesons, ...)
- Choose values of the parameters compatible with constraints on the EoS and hypernuclear data
- Effect on thermodynamic quantities not negligible

THERMODYNAMIC QUANTITIES AS FUNCTION OF  $T$  FOR  $Y_e = 0.3$  [FORTIN+ 2018]



# EXERCISE SESSION THIS AFTERNOON

If you did not yet do, please download the Docker image :

`https://hub.docker.com/r/pdavis422/gw-summer-school-compose`



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# SOME USEFUL SOFTWARE

- If you want to know more and test for example rotating neutron stars with your favorite EoS, there are two publicly available codes :
  - ▶ The RNS code written by Nick Stergioulas.  
See <http://www.gravity.phys.uwm.edu/rns/>
  - ▶ The LORENE library developed at Meudon mainly by E. Gourgoulhon, P. Grandclément, J.-A. Marck, J. Novak. K. Taniguchi.  
See <http://www.lorene.obspm.fr>
- <http://www.Stellarcollapse.org> is a website aimed at providing resources supporting research in stellar collapse, core-collapse supernovae, neutron stars, and gamma-ray bursts
- Tables of realistic EoS for neutron stars and core collapse are available on different web sites, e.g.
  - ▶ Compose (the Compstar project), <https://compose.obspm.fr>
  - ▶ EOSDB, web site by Chikako Ishizuka,  
<http://asphwww.ph.noda.tus.ac.jp/eos-gate/>

