

# STELLAR EOS

UNIQUE FUNCTION:

$$P = P(\rho, T, X)$$

COULD ALSO BE SOLVED FOR  $T, \rho, \dots$

$$\rho = \rho(P, T, X)$$

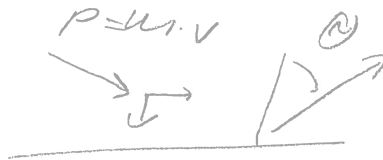
$$T = T(P, \rho, X)$$

OTHER VARIABLES SOMETIMES USED:  $S, e, \dots$

IN STARS:

ATOMS CAN BE IONIZED (USUALLY)  
NUCLEI CAN INTERACT  
ELECTRONS CAN BE DEGENERATE  
RADIATION CAN CONTRIBUTE  
     $\rightarrow e^+e^-$  PAIR PRODUCTION  
     $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$   
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# PRESSURE



$$\Delta P = 2 \cdot P_L = 2p \cos \theta$$

$$P = \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{\infty} v \cdot p \cdot n(p) dp$$

$$P = P_{\text{gas}} + P_e + P_{\text{rad}}$$

$P_{\text{gas}} + P_{\text{rad}}$  INCLUDES  $e^-$  PAIRS

DEF:  $\beta = \frac{P_{\text{rad}}}{P} \Leftrightarrow P_{\text{rad}} = \beta \cdot P$

$$P_{\text{gas}} = (1 - \beta) \cdot P$$

OBVIOUSLY:  $0 < \beta < 1$

$\beta \ll 1$ : radiation-dominated

$\beta \approx 1$ : gas-dominated

→ CRUCIAL FOR STABILITY OF STARS

# ION PRESSURE

MAXWELL-BOLTZMANN DISTRIBUTION:  
EACH SPECIES  $i$

$$n_i(p) dp = \frac{4\pi n_i p^2 dp}{\sqrt{2\pi m_i k_B T}} e^{-\frac{p^2}{2m_i k_B T}}$$

$$P_i = \frac{1}{3} \int v p n_i(p) dp = n_i k_B T$$

total # density:

$$n_I = \sum_i n_i \sum_i \frac{\rho v}{u} \frac{1}{A_i} \quad \left[ \frac{v}{A_i} = \frac{x_i}{A_i} \right]$$

$$n_{\text{ion}} = \frac{1}{\mu_I} = \sum_i \frac{x_i}{A_i} \Rightarrow n_I = \frac{\rho}{\mu_I \rho}$$

APPROX STELLAR GAS

$$\frac{1}{\mu_I} = X + \frac{1}{4} Y + (1 - X - Y) \langle A \rangle_{\text{METAL}}$$

$$\text{FOR SUN: } \langle A \rangle_2 \approx 20 \Rightarrow \mu_I \approx 1.29$$

$$R = k_B N_A$$

$$P_I = \sum_i P_i = \frac{RT \rho}{\mu_I}$$

# IDEAL ELECTRON GAS

SIMILAR TO ION GAS

$$P_e = n_e k_B T, \quad n_e = \sum_i z_i n_i = \frac{\rho}{u} \sum_i z_i Y_i$$

DEF:  $\frac{1}{\mu_e} = \sum_i z_i Y_i \rightarrow n_e = \frac{\rho}{\mu_e \cdot u}$

FOR STEEL GAS: MOSTLY H & He:

$$\frac{1}{\mu_e} \approx x + \frac{1}{2} Y + (1-x-Y) \left\langle \frac{z}{A} \right\rangle_{\text{metals}}$$

FOR MOST STEEL GAS COMPOSITIONS:

$$\left\langle \frac{z}{A} \right\rangle_{\text{metal}} \approx \frac{1}{2}$$

→ APPROXIMATE  $\frac{1}{\mu_e} \approx \frac{1}{2} (1+x)$

FOR SOL:  $\mu_e \approx 1.17$

Q: WHAT FORCE FORCE H  
FORCE He

$$P_e = \frac{RT \rho}{\mu_e}$$

→ Total Gas Pressure (non-deg  $e^-$  gas)

$$P_{\text{gas}} = P_I + P_e = \left( \frac{1}{\mu_I} + \frac{1}{\mu_e} \right) R_g T = \frac{R_g T}{\mu}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\mu} = \frac{1}{\mu_e} + \frac{1}{\mu_I}$$

For sun we have  $\mu \approx 0.61$

# DEGENERATE $e^-$ PRESSURE

$e^-$  much lighter than ions  $m_e \ll m_i$

→ less momentum for given energy  $k_B T$

→ because degenerate first

[ IN PRACTICE: IN STARS WE DO NOT HAVE TO DEAL WITH DEG IONS ]

• Heisenberg  $(\Delta x)^2 (\Delta p)^2 \gtrsim \hbar^2$   
+ 2 SPIN ORIENTATIONS

$$\hbar = 6.626 \times 10^{-27} \frac{\text{cm}^2 \text{g}}{\text{s}}$$

→ FOR COMPLETE DEG. ISOTROPIC  $e^-$  GAS we have

$$n_e(p) dp = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{(\Delta x)^3} = \frac{2}{h^3} 4\pi p^2 dp & p < p_F \\ 0 & p > p_F \end{cases}$$

→ max (Fermi) momentum

↔ total # of  $e^-$

$$n_e = \int_0^{p_F} n_e(p) dp$$

$$\rightarrow p_F = \left( \frac{3h^3 n_e}{8\pi} \right)^{1/3}$$

# → PRESSURE INTEGRAL

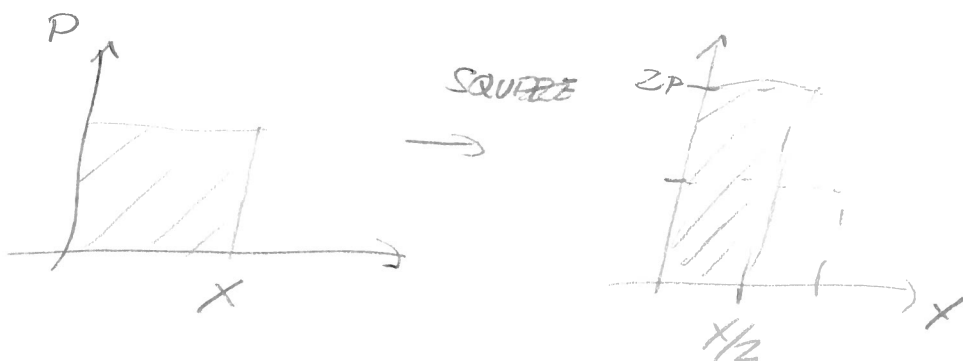
$$P = \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{\infty} v \cdot p \cdot n(p) dp = \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{P_F} v \cdot p \cdot n(p) dp$$

$$= \frac{8\pi P_F^5}{15 m_e h^3} = \frac{h^3}{20 m_e} u^{5/3} \left(\frac{3}{\pi}\right)^{2/3} \left(\frac{8}{\mu_e}\right)^{5/3}$$

$$=: K_1 \cdot \rho^{5/3}$$

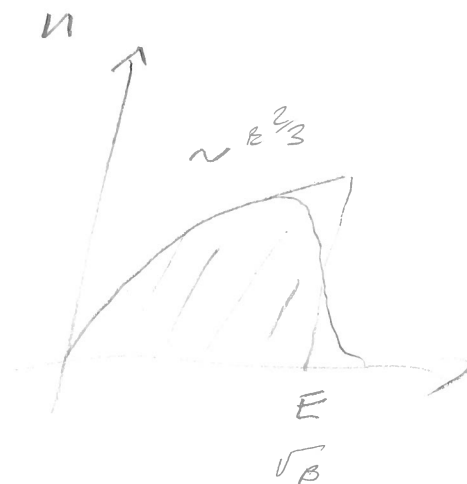
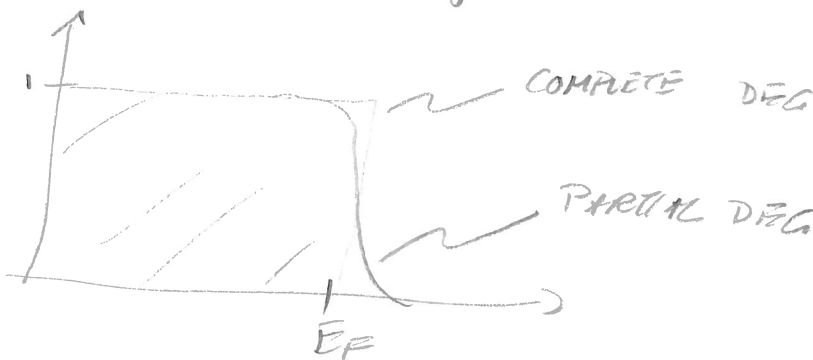
$$m_e = \frac{8}{\mu_e} u, \quad K_1 \approx 10 \frac{13 \text{ dyn cm}^{-2}}{(\text{g cm}^{-3})^{5/3}}$$

## SCHEMATICS



INCOMPRESSIBLE PHASE SPACE

## OCCUPATION FRACTION



# REL DEG. $e^-$ PRESSURE

GENERALLY:  $v = \frac{p}{m_e} \sqrt{1 + \frac{p^2}{m_e^2 c^2}}$

but FOR  $p \gg m_e c$  we have  $v \rightarrow c$

$$P_e = \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{P_F} c \cdot p \cdot n(p) dp = \frac{hc}{8\pi^{4/3}} \left(\frac{3}{\pi}\right)^{1/3} \left(\frac{\rho}{\mu_e}\right)^{4/3}$$

$$=: K_2 \rho^{4/3}$$

$$K_2 \sim 1.24 \times 10^{15} \frac{\text{dyn cm}^{-2}}{(\text{g cm}^{-3})^{4/3}}$$