Neutrinos in Core Collapse Supernovae

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- Part I: Neutrinos in Core collapse
- Intermezzo to bridge 40ms after bounce where neutrinos are less important: Boltzmann neutrino transport
- Part II: Neutrinos in the Postbounce phase

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(c) They are responsible for the explosion in the v-driven mechanism (distorted view! - actually they are responsible for the failure:

- without neutrinos, Chandrasekhar mass ~ Ye^2 ~ 1.2 solar Masses
- homologous collapse, bounce, dissociation & explosion!)









The Equation of State

Lattimer & Swesty equation of state (1991) for hot dense matter, with

- representative nucleus in NSE
- free alpha particles
- free neutrons and protons
- electrons, positrons and photons



(from Shen, PRC65, 2002)

Compressible liquid drop model, parametrized by

e-

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γ

- bulk incompressibility
- bulk and surface symmetry energies
- symmetric matter surface tension
- nucleon effective mass

with phase transition to uniform nuclear matter

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(1) target has low abundance
(2) abundance is sensitive to Ye







=> norm Ye-trajectory during collapse

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New improved e capture rates (thermal excitations and correlations)


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Comparison of spherically symmetric simulations between Oak Ridge/Basel group and Garching group:

Liebendörfer, Rampp, Janka, Mezzacappa, ApJ 620 (2005)

includes datafiles.tar.gz with different conditions at different time slices during simulations.

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==> Reason number 5: Stability of the protoneutron star around the neutrinospheres
Feedback in a strongly coupled one-dimensional region



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~ 1/3 core diffusion luminosity Equipartition in the luminosities only after reduction of the accretion luminosities





Enclosed Mass at Radius 100 km as Function of Time



(s)	13M Model	40M Model
0.0	0.90	0.88
0.1	1.19	1.57
0.2	1.25	1.77
0.3	1.28	1.89
0.4	1.31	2.02
0.5	1.33	2.20
1.0	1.42	- /

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poloidal

initial conditions:

toroidal

$$\Omega(r) = \Omega_0 \times \frac{R_0^2}{r^2 + R_0^2},$$

Omega = 31 rad/s Ro = 100km

Bo = 10^12 Gauss



Part II: Summary

- neutrinos determine and couple dynamics in the hot mantle of the protoneutron star
- neutrinos influence the explosive nucleosynthesis
- neutrinos carry important information about the physics under extreme conditions to the Galactic observer



- established and reliable
- explore input physics changes
- reasonable computation time



- current edge of research
- does the SN mechanism work as suggested?



- explore dynamical instabilities
- explore role of magnetic fields