Setting the stage: Nucleosynthesis

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Outline

- Introduction
- Core-collapse supernovae
- Heavy elements: r-process, LEPP process
- X-ray bursts (afternoon discussion)

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Astrophysical sites: Stellar evolution of low-mass and massive stars AGB stars (main s-process) core He-burning of massive stars (weak s-process) Supernovae Core-collapse supernovae Core-collapse supernovae Neutrino-driven winds in SNe? NS mergers X-ray bursts

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Core-collapse SNe



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- Conditions in the neutrino-driven wind: neutron-rich or proton-rich or both?

Simulations of core-collapse SNe

- Status of ccSN simulations:
 - Spherically symmetric simulations with detailed neutrino-transport fail to explode (except for lowest mass progenitors)
 - Many ongoing efforts in 2D and 3D
 - Qualitative and quantitative differences
 - Computationally expensive

 → too expensive for systematic studies of large
 numbers of progenitors



Simulations of core-collapse SNe

- But: want to address questions such as
 - What are conditions for explosive nucleosynthesis?
 - Connection between progenitor and remnant?
 - How are they related to explosion dynamics and energetics?
 - Nucleosynthesis predictions (also for GCE)
- How to predict CCSN nucleosynthesis if multi-D models are still on their way?
 - Need induced explosions

Induced explosions

- Example: Piston / thermal bomb models
 - initiate explosion by increasing temperature or placing a piston in the pre-collapse star
 - Limitations: physics of collapse, bounce, and onset of explosion; no neutrinos; cannot predict Ni yields



Nucleosynthesis

• Effects of induced explosion method on nucleosynthesis



A new method: PUSH

- Mimic multi-D effects using mu/tau neutrinos (PUSH)
 - Provide extra energy deposition in heating region from mu/tau neutrinos in otherwise consistent simulation (hydro + neutrino transport + EOS + GR)
 - Prescribe location and dependency on luminosity
 - Parameters determination:
 - Use multi-D simulations for typical timescales
 - Use SN1987A for strength of PUSH

E _{expl}	$(1.1 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{51} \text{ erg}$	Blinnikov+00
m _{prog}	18-21 M _☉	Woosley98; Shigeyama &Nomoto90
m ⁽⁵⁶ Ni)	$(0.071 \pm 0.003) \text{ M}_{\odot}$	
<i>m</i> (⁵⁷ Ni)	$(0.0041 \pm 0.0018) \text{ M}_{\odot}$	Seitenzahl+14
<i>m</i> (⁵⁸ Ni)	$0.006~{ m M}_{\odot}$	Fransson & Kozma 02
<i>m</i> (⁴⁴ Ti)	$(0.55 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-4} \ M_{\odot}$	

SN1987A



SN1987A (with fallback)



Nucleosynthesis

- ⁵⁷Ni and ⁵⁸Ni:
 - Produced in slightly neutron-rich layers with alpharich freeze-out
 - Required conditions found in Si-shell
 - location of transition from Si-shell to O-shell with respect to final mass cut matters
 - If transition is inside mass cut: low ^{57,58}Ni production



Nucleosynthesis



• ⁴⁴Ti:

- Produced in the innermost 0.15Msun
- Uncertainties due to uncertainties in rates of $^{40}Ca(\alpha,\gamma)$ ^{44}Ti and $^{44}Ti(\alpha,p)$ ^{47}V 7 Margerin+14
- Homogeneous mixing + new rate for ⁴⁴Ti(α,p) + fallback: 3.99e-5Msun of ⁴⁴Ti

Compact remnant of SN1987A

- From observational side: still obscure
- Neutrino signal: formation of PNS for at least 12s
- Our prediction for NS mass: 1.66Msun
- BH formation: unlikely
 - Would require additional 0.5-1.3Msun of fallback to exceed max mass predicted by HS(DD2) EOS
 - Difficult to match observational properties and form BH
 - Unlikely in 2D simulation of 15Msun progenitor Kifonidis+06

 Pulsar: unlikely (from HST observations) but our simulations would be consistent with a NS with very low magnetic field

Graves+05

Core-collapse SNe



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Neutrino-driven winds

- Strong neutrino flux from PNS
- Drives matter-outflow behind shock wave
- Nucleosynthesis:
 - NSE (T=10-8GK)
 - Charged-particle reactions (8-2GK)
 - r-process and vp-process nucleosynthesis (3-1GK)

Conditions in wind determine details of nucleosynthesis (Ye, entropy, timescale)



Conditions in neutrino-driven winds

- Electron fraction Ye: set by weak interactions $\begin{array}{l}
 \nu_e + n \iff e^- + p \\
 \overline{\nu}_e + p \iff e^+ + n
 \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{l}
 Y_e = \frac{Y_p}{Y_p + Y_n} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\lambda_{\overline{\nu}_e, p}}{\lambda_{\nu_e, n}}}
 \end{array}$
 - Luminosity ratio $L_{ar{
 u}_e}/L_{
 u_e}$
 - Difference in neutrino energies: $\epsilon_{\bar{\nu}_e} \epsilon_{\nu_e}$
 - Proton-rich if $\epsilon_{\bar{\nu}_e} \epsilon_{\nu_e} < 4(m_nc^2 m_pc^2) \approx 5.2 \text{MeV}$
 - Details of microphysics treatment in EOS (in medium effects, e.g.)
- Entropy s: 50-120 kB/nuc in recent SN simulations (→ no full r-process)

Proton-rich ejecta

PUSH method





MPA group

Proton-rich ejecta

- What nucleosynthesis is possible in proton-rich neutrino-driven winds?
 - hydrodynamics / reverse shock
 - Neutron-rich winds

Arcones, Frohlich, Martinez (2012) Wanajo et al (2012)

Arcones & Montes (2011) Bliss+ (2014)

- Nuclear physics:
 - trajectory independent predictions of critical inputs

Frohlich & Rauscher (2012)

• Nuclear masses I \rightarrow affect abundances locally

Weber et al (2008)

- Nuclear masses II → new experimental efforts a Lanzhou
- Nuclear reactions \rightarrow experimental efforts

The vp-Process

- proton-rich matter is ejected under the influence of neutrino interactions
- true rp-process is limited by slow β decays, e.g. τ (64Ge)
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Effect of Mass Measurements



- Same hydrodynamic profile
- Only reaction rates are different



Masses:

enter rate calculations

Change proton-separation energy

Change Q-value

 \rightarrow reverse rate $\sim \exp(-Q/kT)$

Reaction rates for nucleosynthesis

- All important reaction rates from Hauser- \bullet Feshbach predictions \rightarrow What is impact of uncertainties?
- Reactions on light nuclei

Wanajo et al (2012)

- 56Ni(n,p); \bullet Wanajo et al (2012); Frohlich+ (2012)
 - Seed nucleus for vp-process but also neutron poison
- 64Ge(n,p):
 - Bottle neck
- 96Pd(n,p):
 - Predicted as second seed, but not confirmed

Frohlich+ (2012)

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Systematic sensitivity study

Systematically vary each reaction rate individually for all nucloi from Ni to Con and N = Z/200 from N: 6400 React 5600 4800 Facto Cond ¹)ries ("star 2400 33 1600 32 31 800 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63

(n,p) reactions:

- Accelerate matter flow to heavier nuclei
- Several individual reactions are important, mostly in even Z and close to N=Z

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Heavy element nucleosynthesis

 What conditions are needed to explain observed abundances?



Observational constraints



Roederer 2013



LEPP: Lighter Element Primary Process

- Observations of halo stars indicate two "rprocess" sites:
 - Main r-process
 - Stellar LEPP / weak r-process



Stars with high enrichment in heavy r-process abundances

Stars with low enrichment in heavy r-process abundances

Neutron-capture processes



heavy elements are made by slow $(\tau_{\beta}/\tau_n < 1)$ and fast $(\tau_{\beta}/\tau_n > 1)$ neutron-capture events

- Sequences of (n,g) reactions and β -decays $A(Z,N) + n \leftrightarrow A + 1(Z,N+1) + \gamma$ $A(Z,N) \rightarrow A(Z+1,N-1) + e^- + \overline{\nu}_e$
- Closed neutron-shells give rise to the peaks at Te,Xe / Ba and at Os,Pt,Au / Pb

The r-process



Conditions for the r-process

- High entropy, alpha-rich freeze-out
- Low entropy, normal freeze-out with very low Ye



The r-process site(s)

Neutrino-driven wind in CCSNe

Arcones, Burrows, Janka, Farouqi, Hoffman, Kajino, Kratz, Martinez-Pinedo, Mathews, Mahler, Meyer, Qian, Takahara, Takahashi, Thielemann, Thompson, Wanajo, Woosley,



Wind conditions for r-process

- High neutron-to-seed ratio: $Y_n/Y_{seed} \sim 100$
- Short expansion timescale: 10^{-3} to 1 second \rightarrow inhibits formation of nuclei through α -process
- High entropy: s/k_B ~ 20 − 400
 → many free nucleons
- Moderately low electron fraction: Ye<0.5



BUT: Conditions not realized in recent simulations

Simulations find: $\tau \sim$ few milliseconds s ~ 50-120 k_B/nuc Ye ~ 0.4 - 0.6

→ Additional ingredients??

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 ONeMg core collapse weak Wanajo & Janka If? Weak!
 Quark-hadron phase transition ???
 Nishimura, Fischer, CF, Thielemann
- Explosive He-burning in outer shells Abundance pattern?? Cameron, Cowan, Truran, Hillebrandt, Thielemann, Wheeler, Nadyozhin, Panov, CF
- Charged-current neutrino interactions in outer shells Haxton, Qian, Banerjee
- Polar jets from rotating CCSNe

Cameron, Fujimoto, Käppeli, Liebendörfer, Nishimura, Takiwaki, Thielemann, Winteler, Mösta, Ott

Magnetorotational SNe

3D Collapse of Fast Rotator with Strong Magnetic Fields: 15 M_{sol} progenitor (Heger Woosley 2002), shellular rotation with period of 2s at 1000km, magnetic field in z-direction of 5 x10¹² Gauss, *results in 10¹⁵ Gauss neutron star*



3D simulations by C. Winteler, R. Käppeli, M. Liebendörfer et al. 2012, Eichler et al. 2014

Nucleosynthesis from rot. CCSNe



- r-process peaks well reproduced
- Trough at A=140-160 due to FRDM and fission yield distribution
- A = 80-100 mainly from higher Ye
- A > 190 mainly from low Ye
- Ejected r-process material (A > 62):



Effects on abundance pattern



In all fission-cycling environments HFB permits too much n-capture due to fission neutrons and shifts peaks, but effect generally not strong and overall good fit in such "weak" fission-cycling environments!

Eichler+ (2014, 2015)

3D Study (Mösta+ 2014)



Figure 4. Volume renderings of entropy and β at $t-t_b = 161$ ms. The z-axis is the spin axis of the protoneutron star and we show 1600 km on a side. The colormap for entropy is chosen such that blue corresponds to $s = 3.7k_b$ baryon⁻¹, cyan to $s = 4.8k_b$ baryon⁻¹ indicating the shock surface, green to $s = 5.8k_b$ baryon⁻¹, yellow to $s = 7.4k_b$ baryon⁻¹, and red to higher entropy material at $s = 10k_b$ baryon⁻¹. For β we choose yellow to correspond to $\beta = 0.1$, red to $\beta = 0.6$, and blue to $\beta = 3.5$. Magnetically dominated material at $\beta < 1$ (yellow) is expelled from the protoneutron star and twisted in highly asymmetric tubes that drive the secular expansion of the polar lobes.

→ Talk by Philipp Mösta

Rotation rates and magn fields

Nishimura, Takiwaki, Thielemann (2015), varying rotation rates and magnetic fields \rightarrow from a weak to a strong r-process!



See discussion of fission fragment distributions and mass model

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Promising; initial conditions??

weak

• Neutron-star mergers

Freiburghaus, Goriely, Janka, Bauswein, Panov, Arcones, Martinez-Pinedo, Rosswog, Argast, Korobkin, Wanajo, Just, Martin, Perego

→ Talk by Albino Perego; also Korobkin

• BH accretion disks

McLaughlin, Surman, Wanajo, Janka, Ruffert, Perego

Strong r-process: contributing events?

NS mergers and/or rotational CCSNe?



Neutron star mergers in binary stellar systems vs. supernovae of massive stars with fast rotation and high magnetic fields

3rd peak always shifted to heavier nuclei

Based on early ideas by Lattimer and Schramm, first detailed calculations by Freiburghaus et al. 1999, Fujimoto/Nishimura 2006-08, Panov et al. 2007, 2009,



Neutron star merger updates (Korobkin et al. 2012) Variation in neutron star masses fission yield prescription Fission yields affect abundances below A=165, The third peak seems always shifted to heavier nuclei Y, 10-4



- 3rd peak always shifted to heavier nuclei
 - Due to late-time neutron captures after freeze-out of (n,g)-(g,n) equilibrium
 Eichler+ (2014, 2015)

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- Mass formula
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- Problem is not the nuclear physics, but trajectories are too neutron-rich
 - GR simulations: increased Ye (similar to jets)



General relativistic grid calculations possibly leading to hot shocks, and e+e- pairs, which affect Ye and the position of the r-process peaks (Wanajo et al. 2014). Higher Ye leads to similar results as in jets. (see also recent calculations with parametrized neutrino properties by Goriely et al. 2015).mass number

Full predictions with dynamic ejecta, viscous disk ejection, and late neutrino wind, **but old (neutron-less) fragment distribution** (*Just et al. 2014*), based on smooth particle hydrodynamics and conformal flat treatment of GR



Sekiguchi et al. (2015), relativistic calculations lead to deeper grav. potentials, apparently also stronger shocks, both enhancing the temperature, higher neutrino luminosities, and e+e- pairs. All of this enhances Ye, getting it closer to MHD jet ejecta.



3 different EoS, TM1, DD2, and SFH

Jets from rotational CCSNe

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- Have to assume B-field and rotation
 - Don't know initial conditions from stellar evolution
 - Cannot computationally follow $B_{ini} \rightarrow MRI \rightarrow increasing B \rightarrow jet ejecta$
 - But observe NSs with $B=10^{15}G$
- At low metallicity:
 - Less mass loss \rightarrow loose less angular momentum
 - Jets possibly more frequent at low metallicity

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ig. 4. Evolution of [Eu/Fe] and [Ba^r/Fe] abundances as a function of metallicity [Fe/H]. NSM with a rate of 2×10^{-4} yr⁻¹, a coalescence mescale of 10^{h} yr and 10^{-3} M_{\odot} of ejected r-process matter are assumed to be the dominating r-process sources. Symbols are as in Fig. 1. The

Argast+ (2004)

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• SN and NS merger rates

The SN II and Ia rates compared with the NS merger rate (100 yr ⁻¹)

The present time NS merger rate reproduces the observed present time NS merger rate of 83/Myr (Kalogera et al. 2004) This is obtained with alpha=0.018 (fraction of NS mergers from total NS production rate).

The rate of mergers is by a factor of about 100 smaller than CCSNe, but they also produce more by a factor of 100 than required if CCSNe would be the origin



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- SN and NS merger rates
- Mixing in chem evolution models?
 - Inhomogeneous chem evolution models



Inhomogeneous chem evolution



Van de Voort+ (2015) See also Shen+ (2015)

Magenta: data No magnetorotational jets Green/red: different merging time scales Blue: higher merger rate



Summary

- Core-collapse SN nucleosynthesis:
 - Explosion mechanism matters for nucleosynthesis (and other questions)
 - Induced explosions with PUSH
 - Details of neutrino physics and microphysics matter (neutron-rich versus proton-rich; neutrinp-p-process, LEPP)
- R-process:
 - Main r-process: always solar proportions, but rare event
 - Site: Options include jets from magneto-rotational SNe and NS mergers, but probably not regular SNe
 - Variations of U and Th at low metallicity → indication for MHD jets (and not robust abundances from NS mergers)?