

Lecture 3

Neutron stars



n is heavier than $(p+e)$

so we need extra energy

Such energy is in kinetic energy of e^-

$$K = m_e c^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} - 1 \right) \quad \text{special theory of relativity}$$

$$m_e c^2 + m_e c^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} - 1 \right) + m_p c^2 = m_n c^2$$

$$\frac{m_e}{m_n - m_p} = \frac{9.1 \cdot 10^{-31}}{1.6749 \cdot 10^{-27} - 1.6726 \cdot 10^{-27}} \approx 0.4 =$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{v^2}{c^2} = 1 - 0.4^2 = 0.84$$

$$\frac{v}{c} = 0.916.$$

Recall

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$$\text{Recall} \Rightarrow P = \frac{2}{3} \frac{E}{V} = \frac{1}{3} n_e \langle pU \rangle =$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} n_e m_e v^2$$

note non-relativistic

$$P = \frac{(3\pi^2)^{2/3}}{5} \frac{\hbar^2}{m_e} n_e^{5/3} = \frac{1}{3} n_e m_e v^2$$

$$\frac{3(3\pi^2)^{2/3}}{5} \frac{\hbar^2}{m_e^2} n_e^{2/3} = \frac{v^2}{c^2} = 1 - \left(\frac{m_e}{m_n - m_p} \right)^2$$

$$\approx 5.44$$

$$K_e = \left[\frac{m_e c^2}{h} \cdot \frac{5}{3(3\pi^2)^{2/3}} \left(1 - \left(\frac{m_e}{m_n - m_p} \right)^2 \right) \right]^{3/2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{m_e c}{h} \right)^3 \left(\frac{5}{3} \right)^{3/2} \frac{1}{(3\pi^2)^{2/3}} \left(1 - \left(\frac{m_e}{m_n - m_p} \right)^2 \right)^{3/2}$$

$$= \frac{A}{2} \frac{Z}{A} \frac{\rho}{M_H} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M_H = 1.67353 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ kg} \\ m_n = 1.67492 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ kg} \\ m_p = 1.67262 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ kg} \\ m_e = 9.1094 \cdot 10^{-31} \text{ kg} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\rho = \frac{A}{2} M_H \left(\frac{m_e c}{h} \right)^3 \left(\frac{5}{3} \right)^{3/2} \frac{1}{(3\pi^2)^{2/3}} \left(1 - \left(\frac{m_e}{m_n - m_p} \right)^2 \right)^{3/2}$$

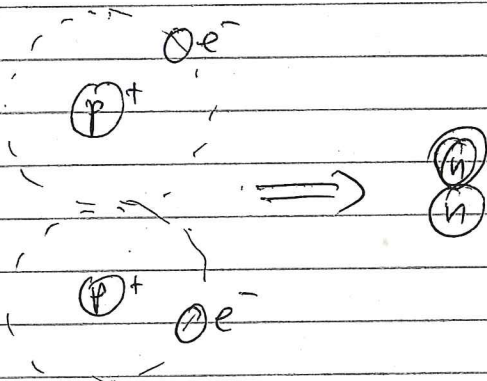
$\frac{A}{2} \approx 2$ For ${}^{56}_{26}\text{Fe}$, since $\frac{A}{Z} = \frac{56}{26} \approx 2$

$$\rho_{\text{critical}} = 3.28 \cdot 10^9 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

note that the book claims that the "actual" value is $1.2 \cdot 10^{10} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$

at which electrons are fast enough to provide enough energy for binding

When $\rho > \rho_{\text{critical}}$ neutrons start to form from p and e^-



density is much higher at the final stage

however there are still some p and e^- due to β -decay $n \rightarrow p^+ + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$
 $n:p:e = 8:1:1$

Using Chandrasekhar limit, followed from hydrostatic equilibrium

$$\frac{2}{3} \pi G \rho^2 R^2 = P \text{ non relativistic}$$

$$M = \frac{4\pi}{3} \rho R^3 = \frac{(3\pi^2)^{2/3}}{5} \frac{\hbar^2}{m_p} [n_p]^{5/3}$$

$$R = \frac{(18\pi)^{2/3}}{10} \frac{\hbar^2}{G m_p M^{1/3}} \left[\frac{1}{m_H} \right]^{5/3}$$

per neutrons $n_p = \frac{\rho}{m_H}$

$m_n \approx m_H$

$$= \frac{(18\pi)^{2/3}}{10} \frac{\hbar^2}{G M^{1/3}} \left[\frac{1}{m_H} \right]^{8/3}$$

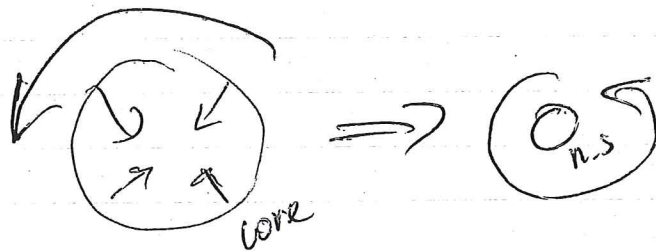
For $M \approx 1.4 M_\odot$

$R \approx 4400 \text{ m}$ accepted value $\approx 10 \text{ km}$
 \uparrow neutron star

$$\rho = \frac{1.4 M_\odot}{\frac{4\pi}{3} (10^4)^3} = \frac{1.4 \cdot 2 \cdot 10^{30}}{\frac{4\pi}{3} \cdot 10^{12}} \approx 6.6 \cdot 10^{17} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

again $\rho_{\text{nuclear}} \approx 10^{17} \text{ kg/m}^3$

Rotation Neutron star



$I\omega = \text{const}$ angular momentum

$$I \propto MR^2$$

$$M \cdot R_f^2 \cdot \omega_f = M \cdot R_i^2 \cdot \omega_i$$

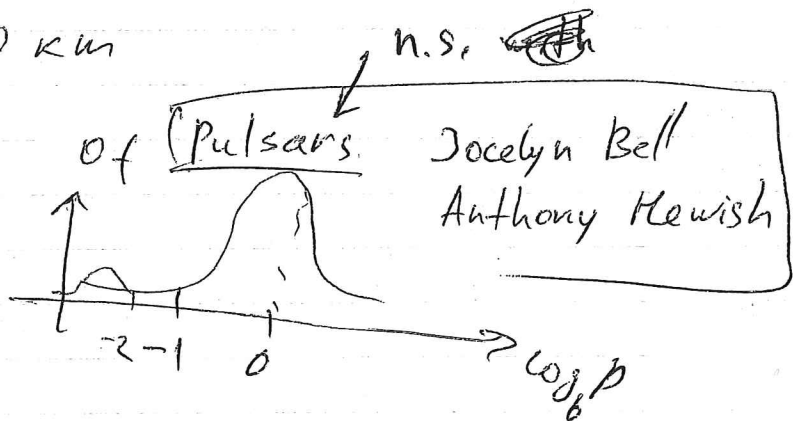
$$\omega_f = \omega_i \left(\frac{R_i}{R_f} \right)^2 \quad \begin{matrix} \approx 10^6 \text{ m for } W.D. \\ \approx 10 \text{ km} \end{matrix}$$

$$P_{\text{core}} = 1350 \text{ s for observed W.D.} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\omega_i}$$

$$R_f \approx 10 \text{ km}$$

\Rightarrow Periods

\Rightarrow



$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{P}$$

$$\hookrightarrow P_f = P_i \left(\frac{R_f}{R_i} \right)^2 \approx P_i \cdot 10^{-5}$$

$$\approx 1350 \text{ s} \cdot 10^{-5} \approx 13 \text{ ms}$$

Upper limit on Rotation

$$\frac{m v^2}{r} \leq \frac{GMm}{r^2}$$

$$m(\omega r)^2 \leq \frac{GMm}{r}$$

$$\omega \leq \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r^3}} \Rightarrow P \geq \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{R^3}{GM}}$$

$= 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{P^3}{4\pi^2 G \rho}}$

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maximum rotating speed allowed
before breakdown

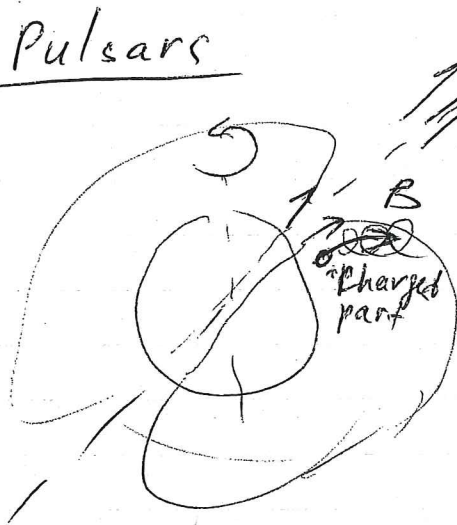
$$\rho_{\text{WD}} \approx 10^9 \text{ kg/m}^3 \Rightarrow P \geq 12 \text{ sec}$$

$$\rho_{\text{NS}} = 6 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ kg/m}^3 \Rightarrow P \geq 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{1}{\frac{4\pi}{3} \cdot 6 \cdot 6 \cdot 10^{14} \cdot 6 \cdot 10^6}}$$

$\approx 4.8 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ s}$

Fastest known Pulsar $P = 0.00139$

Pulsars



Earth
synchrotron radiation
(acceleration particles emit radiation!)

It was noticed that periods of pulsar grows with time

~~P/P~~ $\frac{dP}{dt} \approx 10^{-15}$ typically
but one known to be $\approx 10^{-19}$

If period is growing that means that rotation slows down.

some speeding up but what is the mechanism?

moment of inertia

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{d \left(\frac{1}{2} I \omega^2 \right)}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} I \frac{d \left(\frac{2\pi}{P} \right)^2}{dt} =$$

$$= 2\pi^2 I \left(-\frac{dP}{dt} \right) \frac{2}{P^3} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2 \left(-\frac{2dP}{P dt} \right)$$

↑
 $\frac{2}{5} MR^2$

$M = 1.4 M_{\odot}$, $P = 0.03$ — Crab pulsar
 $R = 10 \text{ km}$, $\dot{P} = 4.2 \cdot 10^{-19} \text{ s}^2/\text{s}$

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{1}{3} M \cdot R^2 \left(\frac{2\pi}{P} \right)^2 \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{P} \frac{dP}{dt} \right) = -6.81 \cdot 10^{31} \frac{\text{J}}{\text{s}}$$

↑
outshine sun $\approx 10^5$ times

Energy carried away by dipole radiation $\sim \omega^4$

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = -C\omega^4$$

$$\frac{d\left(\frac{1}{2}I\omega^2\right)}{dt} = -C\omega^4$$

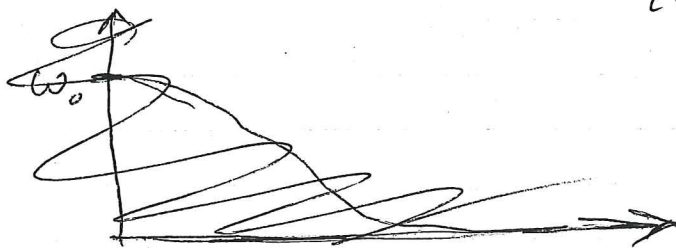
$$\frac{1}{2}I\omega \frac{d\omega}{dt} = -C\omega^4$$

$$\frac{d\omega}{dt} = -\frac{C}{I}\omega^3 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{3}\frac{1}{\omega^2} = \frac{C}{I}t + C_0$$

~~$$\omega(t) = \frac{C}{4I}\omega^4 + \omega_0$$~~

$$t=0 \Rightarrow \omega = \omega_0$$

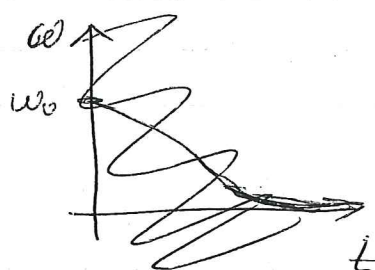
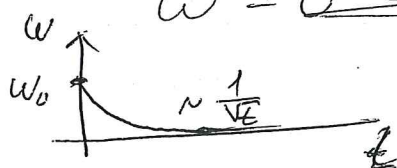
$$C_0 = \frac{1}{3I\omega_0^2}$$



$$\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{\omega^2} - \frac{1}{\omega_0^2}\right) = \frac{C}{I}t$$

$$\omega^2 = \left(\frac{3C}{I}t + \frac{1}{\omega_0^2}\right)^{-1}$$

~~$$\omega = 0 \Rightarrow t =$$~~



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