

User's Guide for Neutron Star Matter EOS

— CQMC model within RHF approximation and Thomas-Fermi model —

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Abstract

This is a guide for users of EOS tables for Neutron Star Matter.

1 Introduction

The equation of state (EOS) for neutron stars in a wide-density range at zero temperature is constructed. The chiral quark-meson coupling (CQMC) model within relativistic Hartree-Fock (RHF) approximation is adopted for uniform nuclear matter. In the crust region, nuclei are taken into account within the Thomas-Fermi calculation. Here, we provide three tables, EOS, particle fractions and properties of nuclei in the crust region. For details on our model, please see in our original paper [1]. **Please reference it when you publish scientific articles using our tables.**

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2 EOS

Baryon mass density, energy density, pressure and lepton (= electron + muon) fraction

The EOS data is given in a file named

- eosmyn.data

and entries are as follows.

1. Baryon mass density: ρ_B [g/cm³]
2. Baryon number density: n_B [1/fm³]

The baryon number density is related to the baryon mass density as

$$n_B = \frac{\rho_B}{m_u}, \quad (1)$$

where $m_u = 931.494$ MeV is the atomic mass unit.

3. Energy density: ε [MeV/fm³]
4. Pressure: P [MeV/fm³]

The pressure is calculated through the thermodynamic relation

$$P = n_B^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial n_B} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{n_B} \right), \quad (2)$$

where n_B is baryon number density.

5. Lepton (= electron + muon) fraction: Y_L

The lepton fraction is given by

$$Y_L = \frac{n_e + n_\mu}{n_B}, \quad (3)$$

where n_e and n_μ are electron number density and muon number density, respectively.

For users who favor other units, following formula would be useful:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MeV/fm}^3 &= 1.7827 \times 10^{12} \text{ g/cm}^3, \\ &= 1.6022 \times 10^{33} \text{ dyne/cm}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

3 Particle fractions

The particle fractions are listed in a file named

- `pfmyn.data`

and entries are as follows.

1. Baryon mass density: ρ_B [g/cm³]
2. Baryon number density: n_B [1/fm³]
3. Neutron fraction: Y_n
4. Proton fraction: Y_p
5. Λ fraction: Y_Λ
6. Σ^- fraction: Y_{Σ^-}
7. Σ^0 fraction: Y_{Σ^0}
8. Σ^+ fraction: Y_{Σ^+}
9. Ξ^- fraction: Y_{Ξ^-}
10. Ξ^0 fraction: Y_{Ξ^0}
11. Electron fraction: Y_e
12. Muon fraction: Y_μ

The particle fractions of Entries 3-12 are given by

$$Y_i = \frac{n_i}{n_B}, \tag{5}$$

where n_i is number density of the particle i .

13. Nucleus fraction: Y_A

The nucleus fraction is defined by

$$Y_A = \frac{A}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R_{\text{cell}}^3 n_B}, \tag{6}$$

where mass number of the nucleus A and radius of Wigner-Seitz cell R_{cell} are given later.

Note that, only Ξ^- appears in neutron stars while all octet baryons are considered.

4 Properties of nuclei in the crust region

The properties of nuclei in the crust region are shown in a file named

- `crustmyn.data`

and entries are as follows.

1. Baryon mass density: ρ_B [g/cm³]
2. Baryon number density: n_B [1/fm³]
3. Nucleus number density: n_A [1/fm³]
4. Mass number of the nucleus: A
5. Charge number of the nucleus: Z
6. Radius of Wigner-Seitz cell: R_{cell} [fm]

In the crust region, we treat the bcc lattice of nuclei approximately with a spherical Wigner-Seitz cell. For nucleon distributions in the Wigner-Seitz cell, we assume spherical symmetry and utilize the parameterization:

$$n_i(r) = \begin{cases} (n_i^{\text{in}} - n_i^{\text{out}}) \left[1 - \left(\frac{r}{R_i} \right)^{t_i} \right]^3 + n_i^{\text{out}}, & r < R_i, \\ n_i^{\text{out}}, & R_i \leq r \leq R_{\text{cell}}, \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

with $i = n, p$. Since R_{cell} is the radius of Wigner-Seitz cell, the volume of Wigner-Seitz cell is $\frac{4}{3}\pi R_{\text{cell}}^3$. Therefore, the nucleus number density is written as

$$n_A = \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R_{\text{cell}}^3}. \quad (8)$$

On the other hand, R_n and R_p represent the radii of neutron and proton distributions, respectively. Here, R_n is always larger than R_p in the neutron star crust and we define the region of $r < R_n$ as ‘‘nucleus’’. Meanwhile, n_n^{out} corresponds to the dripped neutrons and we set $n_p^{\text{out}} = 0$. Finally, t_n and t_p represent the relative surface diffuseness. Using them, the mass number of the nucleus A and the charge number of the nucleus Z are written as

$$A = \int_0^{R_n} [n_n(r) + n_p(r)] 4\pi r^2 dr, \quad (9)$$

$$Z = \int_0^{R_p} n_p(r) 4\pi r^2 dr. \quad (10)$$

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