Sterne 3



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Nachhauptreihenentwicklung

• Energieerzeugungsprozesse

- pp-Kette
- CNO-Zyklus
- höhere Brennprozesse
- Stellare Nukleosynthese
- Nachhauptreihenentwicklung
- Endphasen der Sternentwicklung
 - Weiße Zwerge
 - Neutronensterne
 - Supernovae
 - Schwarze Löcher



Credit: Adapted from an image by Mike Guidry, University of Tennessee

Vergleich pp-Kette und CNO-Zyklus

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Bildnachweis: LAGUNA Consortium - Large Apparatus studying Grand Unification and Neutrino Astrophysics

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Carroll & Ostlie, Abbildung 11.2



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2.5

2.0

0.5

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 $dL_r/dr (10^{18} \mathrm{W m}^{-1})$

3

2

1.0

0.8



Triple α -Process of Helium Burning

once the central density and temperature gets high enough, He burning can set in:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} {}^{4}_{2}\mathrm{He} + {}^{4}_{2}\mathrm{He} & \longleftrightarrow & {}^{8}_{8}\mathrm{Be}^{*} \\ {}^{8}_{4}\mathrm{Be} + {}^{4}_{2}\mathrm{He} & \longrightarrow & {}^{12}_{6}\mathrm{C} + \gamma \\ \\ \Delta E_{\mathrm{eff}} = 7.3 \,\mathrm{MeV} \\ {}^{*} \text{ unstable, decays back to } 2 {}^{4}_{2}\mathrm{He} \text{ if not hit by other } {}^{4}_{2}\mathrm{He} \\ \\ \epsilon_{3\alpha} = \epsilon_{0.3\alpha} \, \varrho^{2} \, Y^{3} \, T_{8}^{41} & (Y) = \mathrm{He \ fraction}) \\ & & & & \\$$

Carbon and Oxygen Burning

Production of α -Elements!

Near $6 \cdot 10^8$ K:

$$\begin{cases} {}^{16}_{8}\mathrm{O} + 2\,{}^{4}_{2}\mathrm{He} & \Delta E < 0 \\ {}^{20}_{10}\mathrm{Ne} + {}^{4}_{2}\mathrm{He} & \Delta E > 0 \\ {}^{23}_{11}\mathrm{No} + \mathrm{p}^{+} & \Delta E > 0 \\ {}^{23}_{11}\mathrm{Mg} + \mathrm{n} & \Delta E < 0 \\ {}^{24}_{12}\mathrm{Mg} + \gamma & \Delta E > 0 \end{cases}$$



$${ }_{8}^{16}{\rm O} + { }_{8}^{16}{\rm O} \longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} { }_{12}^{24}{\rm Mg} + 2\,{}_{2}^{4}{\rm He} & \Delta E < 0 \\ { }_{14}^{28}{\rm Si} + { }_{2}^{4}{\rm He} & \Delta E > 0 \\ { }_{14}^{31}{\rm S} + { }_{2}^{4}{\rm He} & \Delta E > 0 \\ { }_{15}^{31}{\rm P} + {\rm p}^{+} & \Delta E > 0 \\ { }_{16}^{31}{\rm S} + {\rm n} & \Delta E > 0 \\ { }_{16}^{32}{\rm S} + \gamma & \Delta E > 0 \end{array} \right.$$

 $\Delta E < 0:$ energy is absorbed rather than released.

Fusion goes up to ⁵⁶Fe!

This is the most stable element.



Photodisintegration:

For $T > 10^9$ K also photodisintegration can become important! At that temperature more and more photons reach energies in the MeV range, comparable to the binding energy of the nucleus. Photon absorption can lead to α -decay, breaking up heavier nuclei.

Example: Neon

 20 Ne + $\gamma \longrightarrow ^{16}$ O + 4 He Q = -4,73 eV

As T goes up, more and more bound nuclei can become disintegrated by photonabsorption and subsequent α -decay. As iron is most strongly bound it may survive as dominant species (iron core).

At T > $5x10^9$ K even 56 Fe breaks up leaving behind only α -particles (4 He), reversing all previous burning processes. This is relevant, or example, in the core collapse phase of supernovae.



 $^{4}\text{He} + \gamma \rightarrow 2p^{+} + 2n$



Bild von Thomas Gehren (München)



Elemental composition of the Sun. Silicon is used as a basis for comparison for convenient comparison with planetary element abundances. Note that the abundance scale is *logarithmic*.



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- Dominance of light elements
- Strong preference for even-numbered elements
- Abundance peak at iron, followed by a steady decrease.



Kernreaktionspfade





s-Prozess: s = slow = langsam; **Neutroneneinfang auf langen Zeitskalen** (mehrere Jahre) bei geringer Neutronenrate

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Number of Neutrons

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p-Prozess: p = Proton; **Protoneneinfang auf langer Zeitskala** (Jahre)

Auf der neutronenarmen Seite der Nuklidkarte gibt es stabile Kerne, die durch Neutroneneinfang und anschließenden Beta-Zerfall nicht gebildet werden können. Diese p-Prozess-Kerne werden entweder durch Protoneneinfang während einer Supernova-Explosion gebildet oder auch durch Photodissoziation aus r- und s-Prozess Saatkernen.

rp-Prozess: rp = rapid protons = schnelle Protonen; **Schneller Protoneneinfang** (wie beim r-Prozess, jedoch mit Protonen) im Sekunden- oder Minutenbereich Es können mittelschwere Kerne bis etwa Zinn gebildet werden. Der Protonenfluss wird wahrscheinlich in einem Nova-Ausbruch erzeugt.

Nucleosynthesis in the r-process



Film: Helmholtz-Zentrum Rossendorf http://www.hzdr.de/FW/populaer/fwk/astrokern/film/movie_r2d_self.mov

r-Prozess zu verschiedenen Zeiten



Ausgewählte Elemente und ihre Produktionsprozesse

Element	Prozeß	Massenbereich	Sternentwicklungsstadium
Н	primordial		
He	primordial		
	pp-Kette	$M \ge 0.1 M_{\odot}$	Hauptreihe und Riesenast
	CNO-Zyklus	$M \ge 2M_{\odot}$	Hauptreihe und Riesenast
C, O, Ne	3α -Prozeß	$M \ge 1 M_{\odot}$	Riesenast und asymptotischer Riesenast
Ν	CNO-Zyklus	$M \ge 1.5 M_{\odot}$	Hauptreihe und Riesenast (Anreicherung)
Na, Mg, Al	C-Brennen	$M \geq 5 \dots 8 M_{\odot}$	asymptotischer Riesenast, Supernovae
SiCa	O-Brennen		Supernovae (explosiv)
TiNi	Si-Brennen und NSE		Supernovae (explosiv)
Sr, Y	s-Prozeß	$M \ge 2M_{\odot}$	asymptotischer Riesenast
Ba			
Ba, Eu	r-Prozeß		Supernovae (explosiv)



Bildnachweis: http://universe-review.ca/F08-star.htm



Figure 13.1: non-degenerate/degenerate EOS. [for more details see Iben, 1985]

Hydrostatische Kontraktion

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Kritische Temperatur für Entartung

$$T_c \approx 2 \cdot 10^6 K \left(\frac{M}{1 M_{\odot}}\right)^{2/3} \left(\frac{\varrho}{1 g/cm^3}\right)^{1/3} \qquad T_c \approx 3 \cdot 10^5 K \left(\frac{\varrho}{1 g/cm^3}\right)^{2/3}$$

non - degenerate EOS



Figure 13.2: [Iben, 1985, Figure 2]

- Stars with initial mass below $\approx 10\,M_{\odot}$ will turn into white dwarfs after heavy mass loss.
- low-mass stars develop e⁻-degeneracy core before He burning starts (He burning then may occur in degenerate phase)
- low-to intermediate-mass stars can burn He and develop e⁻-degenerate core made of carbon and oxygen (C,O core)



Evolutionary Tracks off the Main Sequence



Sternentwicklung

- auf der Hauptreihe kaum Veränderungen mit der Zeit (1 .. 2), H-Brennen
- Entwicklung nach der Haupreihe ist sehr komplex (3 . . . 10)
- starke Massenabhängigkeit
- breites Spektrum verschiedener physikalischer Prozesse werden wichtig (höhere Brennprozesse, Entartung, explosives Brennen, usw.)



* Numbers in parentheses beside each entry give the power of ten to which that entry is to be raised.

FIG. 3. Paths in the H-R diagram for metal-rich stars of mass $(M/M_{\odot}) = 15$, 9, 5, 3, 2.25, 1.5, 1.25, 1, 0.5, 0.25. Units of luminosity and surface temperature are the same as in Figure 1. Traversal times between labeled points are given in Tables III and IV. Dashed portions of evolutionary paths are estimates.

Entwicklung: 1 M. Stern

- core completely convective \rightarrow is always well mixed \rightarrow H burning stops when $\approx 0.2 \, M_{\odot}$ He has been produced.
- now: He core contracts:
 - $\hookrightarrow T_c$ increases and H ignites in **SHELL** around core
 - \hookrightarrow Star moves up red giant branch.
- He flash ignites (off center)
 - this is an almost explosive event (He ignition under electron degenerate conditions)
 - released energy goes into heat T increases, **but** because of e⁻-degeneracy the pressure is not increased!
 - \hookrightarrow star **cannot** cool by expansion!
 - as T increases rapidly, the energy production in 3α process increases dramatically (eventually the outer convective zone depends and begins to transport away the energy released)¹
 - He core burns quietly. star expands dramatically (and reddens) 2
 - Red giant phase
- while He burns (quietly) in core C and O build up and eventually He burning ceases.
 - He shell burning still continues
 - Asymptotic Giant BRANCH (He shell dominates)
- there is the possibility for He shell flashes (and additional dredge ups) and for higher mass objects: thermal pulses that can revitalize H burning outer shells.
- now heavy mass loss in post-AGB phase (line driven winds)
 - \hookrightarrow formation of planetary nebulae
 - $\hookrightarrow {\rm remnant} \approx 0.6\,{\rm M}_\odot$ CO white dwarf











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Intermediate-mass stars then may go through *thermal pulses*: narrow He shell may turn and off:

- as star contracts, dormant H shell wakes up.
- H shell produces He ashes that rain down on He shell.
- as mass of He shell increases it may become slightly degenerate.
- then, when the temperature at the base of the shell increases sufficiently, He may ignite again and a He flash occurs (analogous to the earlier He flash of low-mass stars).
- eventually He burning ceases and H burning recovers and the process repeats.



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Thermische Pulse am Ende der AGB Phase:



Time dependence of luminosity and bolometric magnitude during the thermally pulsing phase [see Iben, 1982, Figure 2]



- AGB stars are know to lose mass at high rate (up to $dM/dt = 10^{-4} M_{\odot} / yr$)
- surface temperature ≈ 300 K, that means they are quit cool \rightarrow dust can form
 - silicates in O-rich environment
 - graphite in C-rich stars
- this dust may couple to radiation and this radiation may drive the large mass loss. (not well understand, maybe thermal pulses)
- as the envelope expands, it eventually becomes optical thin.
 thus exposing the central star, which typically shows spectrum of F-type or G-type super-giant.
 the evolutionary track moves more or less horizontally to the blue
- eventual expelled envelope + central white dwarf make up a planetary nebula (PN)









Entwicklung eines sehr massereichen Sterns (M > 8 M_☉)

- stars initially more massive than $\sim 8\ldots 10\,M_\odot$ end their lives in supernova explosions.
- before that, they go through several higher-element nuclear burning phases and several mass-loss phases.
 - luminous blue variables (LBVs)
 - * have surface temperatures, luminosities and masses

 $T \approx 15,000 \,\mathrm{K} - 30,000 \,\mathrm{K}$

- $L \gtrsim 10^6 \,\mathrm{L}\odot$
- $M \geq 85 \,\mathrm{M}_{\odot}$
- \hookrightarrow sit in upper left of H-R diagram.
- * these stars have huge mass loss rates and they are rapid rotators.
- Wolf-Rayet stars (WR)
 - * are closely related to LBVs
 - * there are $\sim 1000-2000$ WRs in the Galaxy
 - * have $T_{\rm eff}\approx 25.000\,{\rm K}-100.00\,{\rm K}$ and show very strong emission lines
 - * have huge mass loss rate $10^{-5}\,\rm M_{\odot}/yr$ with wind speeds $\gtrsim 800 \rm km/s$
 - * have masses $\gtrsim 20 \, \mathrm{M}_{\odot}$
 - $\ast\,$ three classes:
 - WC have emission lines of C and He (**no** N & H)
 - WN have N and He
 - WO have strong O-lines
- there are also blue super-giants (BSG), red super-giants (RSG), and OF stars (O super-giants with pronounced emission lines)

• the general evolutionary sequence is as follows:



- sehr starke Winde
- Massen zwischen 10 und 250 Sonnenmassen
- Oberflächentemperatur zwischen 30.000 und 120.000 K

Wolf-Rayet-Stern WR-124 mit umgebendem Planetaren Nebel M 167 (Aufnahme mit dem HST)



- **Supernovae:** a typical Type II SN releases 10^{53} erg energy:
 - $\sim 99\%$ in neutrinos
 - $\sim 1\%$ in kinetic energy of ejecta similar values for Type Ib and Ic
 - $\sim 0.01\%$ in radiation
 - Type II, Ib and Ic are core collapse supernovae

Type Ia occur in binary system, when mass transfer onto white dwarf causes ignition of degenerate He and sends a shock wave into CO core which ignites carbon and oxygen burning as well.

The WD gets completely disrupted, leaving the binary companion "alone".

• core collapse SN:

this type of SN occurs in shell-burning massive stars. He-shell adds C and O ashes to CO core, as the core continues to contract (not degenerate!) it ignites C burning, generating elements like

 ${}^{16}_{8}$ O, ${}^{20}_{10}$ Ne, ${}^{23}_{11}$ Na, ${}^{23}_{12}$ Mg, ${}^{24}_{12}$ Mg

this triggers a variety of further burning processes: Ne-O core will burn to Si.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} ^{28}_{14}\mathrm{Si} + ^{4}_{2}\mathrm{He} &\rightleftharpoons & ^{32}_{16}\mathrm{S} + \gamma \\ ^{32}_{16}\mathrm{S} + ^{4}_{2}\mathrm{He} &\rightleftharpoons & ^{36}_{18}\mathrm{Ar} + \gamma \\ ^{52}_{24}\mathrm{Cr} + ^{4}_{2}\mathrm{He} &\rightleftharpoons & ^{56}_{28}\mathrm{Ni} + \gamma \end{array}$$

eventually an iron-rich core builds up

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Supernovae: • at very high temperatures in the core **photo-disintegration** of heavy elements occurs:



 $(T_c \approx 8 \cdot 10^9 \,\mathrm{K} \& \,\varrho_c \approx 10^{10} \,\mathrm{g \, cm^{-3}})$

now, the free electrons that had assisted in supporting the star against further collapse (by degeneracy pressure) are captured by protons:

 $p^+ + e^- \to n + \nu_e$

there is a gigantic burst of neutrino emission, the neutrino luminosity is orders of magnitude larger than nuclear burning luminosity.

 \hookrightarrow degeneracy pressure is gone + enormous energy loss by $\nu_{\rm e}$ emission.

 \hookrightarrow core collapse extremely rapidly.

depending on mass a **neutron star** remnant builds up in center (for stars with $M_{ZAMS} \leq 25 \,\mathrm{M_{\odot}}$)

 \hookrightarrow reverse shock expels outer layers

for stars with $M_{ZAMS} \gtrsim 25 \,\mathrm{M}_{\odot}$ the remnant is too heavy and cannot be stabilized by n degeneracy \rightarrow collapse to **black hole**!

still a reverse shock expels material just like with neutron star.

Supernovae: • the energy in the light curve comes from **radioactive decay** of expelled material:

• typical light curve:





Zusammenfassung der Nachhauptreihenentwicklung:

Tracks in the HR diagram of a representative selection of stars. [see Iben, 1985, Figure 15]