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3.5.2. Application to White Dwarfs

known to be supported by degenerate electron pressure
non-relativistic limit

$$E_e = A \rho^{1/3} \sim \chi^5 \quad \chi \ll 1$$

$$\frac{P}{\mu_e} = B \rho^{2/3} \sim \chi^3$$

$$E_e \propto \left(\frac{P}{\mu_e}\right)^{3/5}$$

$$\text{Total internal energy } U = E_e V \propto \left(\frac{P}{\mu_e}\right)^{3/5} R^3$$

$$P \propto M R^{-3}$$

$$U \propto \frac{M^{3/5}}{\mu_e^{3/5}} \frac{1}{R^2}$$

$$\text{Virial theorem } 3(\gamma - 1)U = -\Omega = -\frac{3}{8} \frac{GM^2}{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow M \propto \frac{1}{R^3} \frac{1}{\mu_e^{3/5}}$$

The exact mass-radius relation

$$M = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{3}{4\pi}\right)^{3/5} \left(\frac{h^2 N_A}{m_e G}\right)^3 \frac{N_A^2}{\mu_e^{3/5}} \frac{1}{R^3} \quad \text{--- (3.62)}$$

$$M \propto \frac{1}{R^3}, \text{ or } R \propto M^{-1/3}$$

much different from main sequence stars, $R \propto M^{0.75}$

Difference is due to different equation of state

$$\times \text{ Plug-in constants } \frac{M}{M_\odot} = 10^{-6} \left(\frac{R}{R_\odot}\right)^{-3} \left(\frac{Z}{\mu_e}\right)^{3/5} \quad \text{--- (3.63)}$$

Complete ionization of He, C, O, $\mu_e = 2$

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$$M = M_{\odot}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{R \approx 0.01 R_{\odot}} \quad \text{size of a typical white dwarf}$$

$$\Rightarrow R \approx 7000 \text{ km} \quad \text{Earth-size}$$

* Similarly, for neutron star

$$\frac{M}{M_{\odot}} = 5 \times 10^{-15} \left(\frac{R}{R_{\odot}} \right)^{-3} \quad \text{--- (3.64)}$$

$$M = M_{\odot} \Rightarrow \boxed{R = 11 \text{ km}}$$

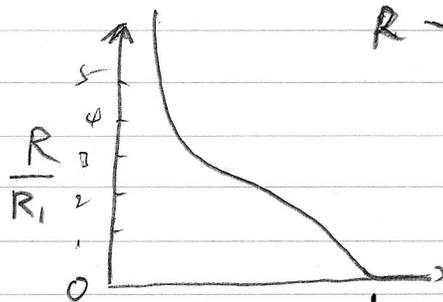
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* Chandrasekhar Limit M_{Ch}

$$M_{\text{Ch}} = 1.456 M_{\odot} \quad \text{From analytic calculation}$$

$$M \propto R^{-3} \quad \Rightarrow M \uparrow \Rightarrow R \downarrow$$

what $R \rightarrow 0$, or negative



R - M relationship including the relativistic effect

Figure 3.6

$$\frac{M_{\text{Ch}}}{M_{\odot}} = 1.456 \left(\frac{2}{\mu_e} \right)^2 \quad \text{--- (3.67)}$$

$$\frac{R_1}{R_{\odot}} = 2.02 \left[1 - \left(\frac{M}{M_{\text{Ch}}} \right)^{\frac{4}{3}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{M}{M_{\text{Ch}}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \quad \text{(3.68)}$$

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3.5.3 Effect of Temperature on Degeneracy

$$n_e = \frac{8\pi}{3} \left(\frac{h}{mc} \right)^{-3} x_F^3 \quad \dots (3.49)$$

$$x_F = \frac{p_F}{mc}$$

$$\epsilon_F = \mu - mc^2 = \epsilon(p_F) = mc^2 \left[1 + \left(\frac{p_F}{mc} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1$$

$$\text{Density } \uparrow \Rightarrow x_F \uparrow \Rightarrow \epsilon_F \uparrow$$

high density, high x_F , $\frac{kT}{\epsilon_F} \ll 1 \Rightarrow T \sim 0$, completely degenerate

low density, low x_F , $\frac{kT}{\epsilon_F} \gg 1 \Rightarrow T \rightarrow \infty$, complete thermal

$\frac{kT}{\epsilon_F} \sim 1$: mixture of degeneracy pressure and thermal pressure

* the boundary: $\epsilon_F = kT \Rightarrow \rho_{\text{critical}}$

non-relativistic

$$\epsilon_F = mc^2 \left[(1 + x_F^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 \right] \quad \dots (3.48)$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon_F = mc^2 \frac{x_F^2}{2} = kT$$

$$\frac{\rho}{\mu_e} = 9.739 \times 10^5 x_F^2 \quad \dots (3.52)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\rho_{\text{crit}}}{\mu_e} = 6.0 \times 10^{-9} T^{\frac{3}{2}} \text{ g cm}^{-3} \quad \dots (3.70)$$

White Dwarf: $T = 10^8 \text{ K}$, $\rho_{\text{crit}} = 6.0 \times 10^3 \text{ g cm}^{-3} \rightarrow$ Dege

on the Earth $T = 300 \text{ K}$, $\rho_{\text{crit}} = 10^{-4} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$

metals: free electrons due to pressure ionization

$$\rho = 5 \text{ g cm}^{-3} \gg \rho_{\text{crit}} \rightarrow \text{Degenerate}$$

3.7. Adiabatic Exponents and Other Derivatives

Given state parameters: \underline{T} , \underline{n} , \underline{P} , \underline{P} , \underline{E} ,

very often $P = P(P, T)$

$$E = E(P, T)$$

* Exists the derivative of these parameters, which characterize the thermodynamic system

* Specific heats

$$C_v = \left(\frac{dQ}{dT} \right)_v = \left(\frac{dQ}{dT} \right)_P$$

constant volume = V_p : volume per unit mass
($\text{cm}^3 \text{g}^{-1}$), specific volume

$$V_p = \frac{1}{\rho}$$

=> constant mass density

$$C_p = \left(\frac{dQ}{dT} \right)_P$$

* Ratio of specific heats: γ index

$$\gamma = \frac{C_p}{C_v} \quad (\text{dimensionless})$$

$$dQ = dE + PdV = dE + P d\left(\frac{1}{\rho}\right)$$

$$dQ = dE - \frac{P}{\rho^2} d\rho \quad \text{--- (3.84)}$$

From state equations, one knows $E, P, \rho \Rightarrow Q$

=> C_v, C_p and γ for different systems

$$C_v = \left(\frac{dQ}{dT} \right)_v = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial T} \right)_v$$

For ideal gas: $E = \frac{3}{2} nKT = \frac{3}{2} \frac{PM_A}{M} KT$

$$C_v = \frac{3}{2} \frac{NAK}{M} \rho \quad (\text{unit volume})$$

$$C_v = \frac{3}{2} \frac{NAK}{M} \quad (\text{unit mass})$$

* From thermodynamics text

$$C_p - C_v = -T \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_v^2 \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial v} \right)_T^{-1} \quad (3.85)$$

* Power-Law expression of pressure.

general expression for pressure (ideal, radiation)

$$P = P_0 \rho^{\chi_p} T^{\chi_T} \quad (3.88)$$

For ideal gas: $\chi_p = 1, \chi_T = 1$

For radiation: $\chi_p = 0, \chi_T = 4$

For degenerate $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \chi_p = \frac{5}{3}, \chi_T = 0 \quad \chi \ll 1 \\ \chi_p = \frac{4}{3}, \chi_T = 0 \quad \chi \gg 1 \end{array} \right.$

Logarithm of (3.88)

$$\ln P = \ln P_0 + \chi_p \ln \rho + \chi_T \ln T$$

Differentiation $d \ln P = \chi_p d \ln \rho + \chi_T d \ln T$

$$\Rightarrow \chi_p = \left(\frac{\partial \ln P}{\partial \ln \rho} \right)_T = \frac{P}{\rho} \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho} \right)_T$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi_T = \left(\frac{\partial \ln P}{\partial \ln T} \right)_P = \frac{T}{P} \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_P$$

plug-in (3.85) $C_p - C_v = \frac{P}{\rho T} \frac{\chi_T^2}{\chi_p} \text{ erg g}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1} \quad (3.9)$

For ideal gas $\chi_p = 1, \chi_T = 1$

$$C_p - C_v = \frac{NAK}{M} \text{ erg g}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$$

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Adiabatic Exponents " Γ_s "

when the system undergoes adiabatic change, the state parameters are constrained by the adiabatic process: $dQ = 0$, when P changes

e.g. convection motion

sound waves

* One could introduce the dimensionless thermodynamic derivatives $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \Gamma_3$

$$\Gamma_1 = \left(\frac{\partial \ln P}{\partial \ln \rho} \right)_{ad} : \text{how pressure changes with } \rho$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln P = c + \Gamma_1 \ln \rho$$

$$\Rightarrow P = c \rho^{\Gamma_1}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_2}{\Gamma_2 - 1} = \left(\frac{\partial \ln P}{\partial \ln T} \right)_{ad} \quad P \text{ versus } T$$

$$\Rightarrow P = c T^{\frac{\Gamma_2}{\Gamma_2 - 1}}$$

$$\Gamma_3 - 1 = \left(\frac{\partial \ln T}{\partial \ln \rho} \right)_{ad} \quad T \text{ versus } \rho$$

$$T = c \rho^{\Gamma_3 - 1}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_3 - 1}{\Gamma_1} = \frac{\left(\frac{\partial \ln T}{\partial \ln \rho} \right)}{\left(\frac{\partial \ln P}{\partial \ln \rho} \right)} = \left(\frac{\partial \ln T}{\partial \ln P} \right) = \frac{\Gamma_2 - 1}{\Gamma_2} = \nabla_{ad}$$

∇_{ad} : adiabatic temperature gradient
normalized to pressure in LOG scale

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These exponents can be obtained by the derivatives of state parameters:

$$P_3 - 1 = \frac{P}{\rho T} \frac{\chi_T}{C_V} = \frac{1}{\rho} \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial E} \right)_\rho \quad \dots (3.97)$$

$$P_1 = \chi_T (P_3 - 1) + \chi_P \quad \dots (3.98)$$

$$\frac{P_2}{P_2 - 1} = C_P \frac{\rho T}{P} \frac{\chi_P}{\chi_T} = \frac{\chi_P}{P_3 - 1} + \chi_T \quad \dots (3.99)$$

$$\gamma = \frac{C_P}{C_V} = \frac{P_1}{\chi_P} = 1 + \frac{\chi_T}{\chi_P} (P_3 - 1) \quad \dots (3.100)$$

* From (3.97) $P = (P_3 - 1) \rho E$,

So exactly, the γ -law equation of state concerns P_3

$$P_3 - 1 = \frac{P}{\rho T} \frac{\chi_T}{C_V}$$

* Ideal gas $C_V = \frac{3}{2} \frac{N_A k}{M}$ $\chi_P = 1, \chi_T = 1$

$$C_P = \frac{5}{2} \frac{N_A k}{M}$$

$\gamma = \frac{C_P}{C_V} = \frac{5}{3}$, ratio of specific heats

$$P_3 - 1 = \frac{2}{3}, \quad P_3 = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$P_1 = P_3 = \frac{5}{3}, \quad \frac{P_2}{P_2 - 1} = \frac{1}{\frac{5}{3} - 1} + 1 = \frac{3}{2} + 1 = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$P_2 = \frac{5}{3}$$

$\Rightarrow \gamma = P_1 = P_2 = P_3 = \frac{5}{3}$ interchangable

* Radiation: $\chi_P = 0, \chi_T = 4$

$$P_1 = P_2 = P_3 = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\gamma = P_1 / \chi_P = \infty$$

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Mixture of Ideal Gas and Radiation

What are χ_P, χ_T ? $P = P_0 \rho \chi_P \chi_T$

What are P_1, P_2, P_3, γ ?

$$P = P_g + P_{rad} \quad \text{dyne cm}^{-2}$$

$$P = \frac{\rho M_A}{M} kT + \frac{aT^4}{3} \quad \dots (3.104)$$

$$E = \frac{3}{2} \frac{M_A kT}{2\mu} + \frac{aT^4}{\rho} \quad \text{erg g}^{-1} \quad \dots (3.65)$$

* Introduce β number: $\beta \equiv \frac{P_g}{P}$

$\beta = 1$. Gas pressure dominates

Looking for $d \ln P = \chi_P d \ln \rho + \chi_T d \ln T$

$$\text{or } \frac{dP}{P} = \chi_P \frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \chi_T \frac{dT}{T}$$

Differentiate (3.104): $dP = dP_g + dP_{rad}$

$$\frac{dP}{P} = \frac{dP_g}{dP} + \frac{dP_{rad}}{dP} = \beta \frac{dP_g}{P_g} + (1-\beta) \frac{dP_{rad}}{dP}$$

$$\text{For ideal gas } \frac{dP_g}{P_g} = 1 \frac{d\rho}{\rho} + 1 \frac{dT}{T}$$

$$\text{For radiation } \frac{dP_{rad}}{P_{rad}} = d \ln P_{rad} = 4 \frac{dT}{T} = 4 \frac{d \ln T}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dP}{P} = \beta \frac{d\rho}{\rho} + (4-3\beta) \frac{dT}{T}$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi_P = \beta \quad \dots (3.106)$$

$$\chi_T = 4-3\beta \quad \dots (3.107)$$

$$\text{Further } \beta_3 - 1 = \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{4-3\beta}{8-2\beta} \right)$$

$$P_1 = \beta + (4-3\beta)(\beta_3 - 1), \quad \gamma = \beta/\beta_3 \quad \dots (3.112)$$