Theoretical and Experimental Opacity Activities for a good interpretation of helio & asteroseismic probes



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- Motivations
- The radiative interior of Sun and solar-type stars
- The envelop of massive stars
- How to measure

Soho COROT KEPLER SDO PICARD Strong development of solar and stellar

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Parallel program to progress both on dynamics and microphysics of radiative zones



« Our understanding of the Universe comes first from our knowledge of stars »



Stellar evolution equations based on the microscopic description of the stellar plasma

Radiative interior of low mass stars Radiative transport

ionization of the different species

- $dT/dr = -3/4ac [kr/T^3] [L(r)/4p r^2]$ energy is transported by photons
- opacity coefficients (mean Rosseland value) depend directly on the composition

Envelope of massive stars

radiative transport +radiative acceleration: energy photon spectrum



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Stars > 1.5 solar mass

COROT, KEPLER PLATO Extraction of the difference of the square of the sound speed + density profiles between observation and model in using the frequencies of GOLF et MDI /SoHO



See posters Dia-7 and Model-15



Opacity coefficients in the central radiative zones of solar-like stars

contribute to a precise determination of the solar central temperature and to the longevity of stars

dT/dr = - 3/ 4ac [$\kappa \rho$ /T³] [L(r)/ 4 π r²]

Livermore opacities Iglesias and Rogers 1996, 2000 OPAL tables can be done for different compositions

Spectra generally not distributed

OP tables with spectra

Seaton et al., Badnell et al.

Lifetime of 0.8 M_{\odot} Z= 0.001 14.33 Gyr Lifetime of 0.8 M_{\odot} Z= 0.02 22 Gyr

Turck-Chièze et al. Phys. Rep. 230, 1993 using Los Alamos library 1982



Solar case

Turck-Chièze et al. Phys. Reports, 1993, Phys. Rev. Lett 2004, Turck-Chièze et al. HEDP 2010



Iron (10⁻⁴), among the Z elements dominates in the solar interior and then oxygen (about 10⁻³)

Asplund composition and OPAL opacities





At the BCZ the iron plays less and less role because it becomes totally ionized when mass increases



OPAS vs OP Blancard, Cosse and Faussurier 2010





iron and oxygen

Bailey et al. 2009 Turck-Chièze et al. 2009



Large Laser facilities are developing in the world together with Z machines



LMJ Bordeaux France Military CEA facility 1,8 MJ 3 ω₀



OMEGA EP Rochester 30 kJ ns 3 ω_0 + 5 kJ – 2 PW



NIF USA 1,8 MJ 3 ω₀ Military Livermore facility





LIL Bordeaux France 7.5 kJ 3 ω₀+ PETAL 3,5 kJ - 7 PW?



ORION UK 5 kJ ns 3 ω_0 To 1 kJ - 2 PW



VULCAN UK 2,8 kJ ns 1 ω_0 To 400 J - 1 PW



FIREX 1 Osaka Japon 10 kJ 2 ω₀ + 10 kJ – 1 PW



Academic facility LULI Palaiseau France 2 kJ ns 1 ω₀ + 30 J 100 TW





SANDIA Z machine







More massive stars: Case of a β Cepheid of 10 M $_{\odot}$

OP (blue) and OPAL (red)



Comparison of Fe opacity spectra 7 different teams including OP



OPAS and SCO-RCG CEA

LEDCOP Los Alamos

Not Livermore !

	<z></z>	KR	KP
FLY-ETL	8.004	19850	37957
FLY-HETL	7.99		
OP	8.6	14642	28000
STA	8.544	20500 /20500	33380 /34090
AA Perrot	7.766		
AA-More	8.462		
CASSANDRA	7.858	20250	31250
OPAS	8.350	23323	36438
SCO Rel	8.472	15551	32286
SCO Non Rel		20875	33396
SCO-RCG	8.374	19335	30331



PRINCIPLE OF THE MEASUREMENTS AT LOW TEMPERATURE

LULI 2000 FACILITY



Transmission spectra

$$T(\nu) = I(\nu)/I_0(\nu) = \exp - \tau(\nu), \quad \tau(\nu) = \kappa(\nu)\rho x$$







Cr, Fe, Ni preliminary spectra

Difficulties to solve

- avoid the saturation of the spectra,
- perform the conditions in T and density with small temperature gradient on the foil
 stay in LTE



A lot of challenges to solve

On the theoretical comparisons

On the experimental measurements

But a team has been built with a lot of complementary expertises to better estimate the microscopic physics of radiative zones

A meeting between astrophysicists and plasma physicists is planned for 4-5 th November 2010

Challenges expérimentaux



Measurements of absorption spectra at moderate temperature

Germanium

• 1995 - Quantitative measurements of mid-Z opacities.

Perry et al. JQSRT 54, 317

• 1997 - Opacity measurements: extending the range and filling in the gaps. *Back et al.*

Iron

• 1992 - Spectroscopic absorption measurements of an iron plasma. *Springer et al. Phys Rev Lett* 69 3735 + *aluminim, holmium*

• 1995 - XUV opacity measurements and comparisons with models. *Winhart et al. JQSRT 54, 437*

• 2000 - Opacity studies of iron in the 15-30 eV temperature range. *Chenais-Popovics et al.ApJ Suppl 127, 275*

Nickel

• 2002 - L-band x-ray absorption of radiatively heated nickel. *Chenais-Popovics et al. Phys Rev E*, 65, 6413

Germanium, Zinc, Copper and Iron

• 2008 - X-ray absorption around 20 eV to study spin-orbit splitting in the absorbing 2p-3d transitions and configurational line broadening. *Loisel et al.* 2008 *HEDP*

Chromium, Iron, Nickel

• 2010 - XUV absorption around 27 eV for stellar envelopes