

Physics and Astrophysics of Neutron Stars

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White Dwarfs and Neutron Stars





A common evolutionary scenario for short and long GRBs

Binary-driven hypernovae (BdHNe)



Parte I: Physics of White Dwarfs and Neutron Stars



Some properties

White Dwarfs

M= smaller than 1.4*Msun (Stoner 1929, Chandrasekhar 1931, Landau 1932)

R ~ 0.01*Rsun ~ 10^9 cm

Densityies $< 10^{10}$ g/cc

Grav. Pot.=G*M/R=10^-4*M c^2

Supported by electron degeneracy pressure

Neutron Stars

M= smaller than 3.2*Msun (Rhoades & Ruffini, 1972)

R ~ 10^-5*Rsun ~ 10^6 cm

Densities>nuclear density=2.7*10^14 g/cc

Grav. Pot.=G*M/R=10^-1*Mc^2

Supported by neutron degeneracy pressure

From a WD to a NS: from atomic to nuclear physics

The Nucleus

The Atom (free)

 $Rn = r0*A(1/3) = fermi = 10^{-13} cm$

A = N + Z < 200

Density = $mn*A/Rn^3$ = $mn/r0^3$ = $10^15 g/cc$ $R_{Bohr} = hbar^2/(me^e^2) = 10^-8 cm = 10^5*Rn$

Ne=Z

Density=Nuclear density*(Rn/R_{Bohr})^3=1 g/cc

Physics at work

White Dwarfs

Microphysics:

Atomic Physics, Solid State Physics, Quantum Statistics, Coulomb interactions, Nuclear Physics at experimental level

Macrophysics:

General Relativity equations of equilibrium

Neutron Stars

Microphysics:

Atomic Physics, Solid State Physics, Quantum Statistics, Coulomb interactions, Weak interactions equilibrium, Nuclear Physics at both experimental and theoretical level,

Macrophysics:

General Relativity equations of equilibrium

White dwarf physics

Equation of state (EOS) of a fermion gas

General equations

$$n = \frac{N}{V} = \frac{g}{(2\pi\hbar)^3} \int_0^\infty f(p) d^3 p$$
$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{E}{V} = \frac{g}{(2\pi\hbar)^3} \int_0^\infty f(p) \epsilon(p) d^3 p$$
$$P = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial V}\right)_S = \frac{1}{3} \frac{g}{(2\pi\hbar)^3} \int_0^\infty f(p) \frac{p^2}{\epsilon(p)} d^3 p$$

N: number of particles *E*: total energy of the system P: total pressure $\epsilon(p)$: particle energy

V: volume of the system *p*: particle momentum

g: degeneracy of energy levels = 2 for fermions (spin \uparrow and \downarrow) f(p): distribution function (or average occupation number)

EOS of a fermion gas



EOS of a fermion gas

The Onset of Degeneracy: Pdeg >> Pideal

$$\frac{(3\pi^2)^{2/3}}{5} \frac{\hbar^2}{m^{5/3}} \frac{\rho^{2/3}}{k_B T} \gg 1, \quad \rho = mn$$

Assuming T=10^5 K
$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{(3\pi^2)^{2/3}}{5} \frac{\hbar^2}{m^{5/3}} \frac{\rho^{2/3}}{k_B T} \end{pmatrix}_{WD} = 10^3 \\ \left(\frac{(3\pi^2)^{2/3}}{5} \frac{\hbar^2}{m^{5/3}} \frac{\rho^{2/3}}{k_B T} \right)_{NS} = 10^8$$

EOS of a fermion gas



Self-gravitating system of degenerate fermions: non-relativistic case

Stoner's approach (1929)

$$E = E_{deg} + E_g = N \frac{P_F^2}{2m} - \frac{3}{5} \frac{GM^2}{R} \qquad \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial R}\right)_N = 0$$
$$= \frac{3}{10} \left(\frac{9\pi}{4}\right)^{2/3} \frac{\hbar^2}{m} \frac{N^{5/3}}{R^2} - \frac{3}{5} \frac{Gm^2 N^2}{R} \qquad \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial R}\right)_N = 0$$

For a given N, it is always possible to obtain an equilibrium configuration of radius:

$$R = \left(\frac{9\pi}{4}\right)^{2/3} \frac{\hbar^2}{Gm^3} \frac{1}{N^{1/3}}$$

Self-gravitating system of degenerate fermions: ultra-relativistic case

Stoner's approach (1929)

$$E = E_{deg} + E_g = NcP_F - \frac{3}{5}\frac{GM^2}{R} \qquad \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial R}\right)_N = 0$$
$$= \frac{3}{4}\left(\frac{9\pi}{4}\right)^{1/3}\hbar c\frac{N^{4/3}}{R} - \frac{3}{5}\frac{Gm^2N^2}{R} \qquad \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial R}\right)_N = 0$$

The solution does not depend on the radius !!

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$$M_{crit} = mN_{crit} = \frac{15}{16}\sqrt{5\pi}\frac{m_{\text{Planck}}^3}{m^2}$$

Relaxing the assumption of uniform density

Basic Assumptions

Poisson's equation

$$E^{F} = \sqrt{(cP^{F})^{2} + m^{2}c^{4}} - mc^{2} - m\Phi = \text{constant} = -m\Phi(R)$$

$$\frac{d^{2}\chi(\xi)}{d\xi^{2}} = -\frac{\chi(\xi)^{3/2}}{\xi^{1/2}} \left[1 + \left(\frac{N}{N^{*}}\right)^{4/3} \frac{\chi(\xi)}{\xi}\right]^{3/2}$$

$$Equilibrium$$

$$Condition$$

$$\nabla^{2}\Phi = -4\pi Gmn, \quad n = \frac{(P^{F})^{3}}{3\pi^{2}\hbar^{3}}$$

$$New \text{ convenient}$$

$$variable$$

$$\Phi(r) - \Phi(R) = GmN\frac{\chi(r)}{r}$$

$$Mex = \frac{\sqrt{3\pi}}{2} \left(\frac{m_{\text{Planck}}}{m}\right)^{3}$$

$$\chi(0) = \chi(\xi_{0}) = 0, \quad \left(\frac{d\chi}{d\xi}\right)_{\xi=0} > 0$$

$$\int_{0}^{\xi_{0}} \chi^{3/2}\xi^{1/2}d\xi = -\xi_{0} \left(\frac{d\chi}{d\xi}\right)_{\xi=\xi_{0}} = 1$$

The Chandrasekhar-Landau Mass

$$P^F >> mc$$
 $E_F = cP^F - m\Phi = \text{constant} = -m\Phi(R)$

n=3 (gamma=4/3) Lane-Emden Polytrope !!

Approx. 20% smaller than Stoner's value

The Critical Mass

 $M_{crit} = m N = 2.015 N^* = 2.015 \frac{\sqrt{3\pi}}{2} \frac{m_{\text{Planck}}^3}{m^2}$

Application to WDs and NSs







Effect on the critical mass

Homework: Show that the critical mass becomes:

$$M_{crit} = M_{crit}^{Ch} \left(1 - \frac{6\alpha}{5} Z^{2/3} \right)^{3/2} < M_{crit}^{Ch}$$

Hint. Use Stoner's approximation

Electron distribution: Thomas-Fermi model

Basic Assumptions

Thomas-Fermi solutions



$$N_e = \int_0^{R_0} 4\pi r^2 n_e dr = Z[1 + \phi(x_0) - x_0 \phi'(x_0)]$$

where $x_0 = R_0/b$ being R_0 the radius of the configuration.

Free and Compressed configurations

$$Atom = \begin{cases} \text{free} & \phi(x_0) = x_0 \phi'(x_0) \,, \quad \phi(x_0) = 0 \Rightarrow E_e^F = 0\\ \text{compressed} & \phi(x_0) = x_0 \phi'(x_0) \,, \quad \phi(x_0) \neq 0 \Rightarrow E_e^F > 0 \end{cases}$$

Feynman, Metropolis, Teller (1949)



Relativistic Feynman-Metropolis-Teller Atom (Rotondo, Rueda, Ruffini, Xue, Phys. Rev. C 84, 045805, 2011)



Effect on the EOS



WDs in GR

(Rotondo, Rueda, Ruffini, Xue, Phys. Rev. D 84, 084007, 2011)

| | | Decay | ϵ^{eta}_Z | $ ho_{ m crit}^{eta,{ m relFMT}}$ | $ ho_{ m crit}^{eta,{ m unif}}$ |
|---|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| General Relativistic Thomas-Fermi Equilibrium Condition for WDs | | $\frac{{}^{4}\text{He} \rightarrow {}^{3}\text{H} + n \rightarrow 4n}{{}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow {}^{12}\text{B} \rightarrow {}^{12}\text{Be}}{{}^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow {}^{16}\text{N} \rightarrow {}^{16}\text{C}}{{}^{56}\text{Fe} \rightarrow {}^{56}\text{Mn} \rightarrow {}^{56}\text{Ch}}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} i & 20.596 \\ & 13.370 \\ & 10.419 \\ c & 3.695 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1.39\times 10^{11}\\ 3.97\times 10^{10}\\ 1.94\times 10^{10}\\ 1.18\times 10^{9} \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} 1.37\times 10^{11}\\ 3.88\times 10^{10}\\ 1.89\times 10^{10}\\ 1.14\times 10^{9} \end{array}$ |
| $ \begin{array}{c} \hline Einstein \\ Equations \\ + \end{array} \\ \hline \sqrt{g_{00}} \mu_{WS} = \text{constant} \end{array} $ | (g/cm ³) | He | (Z, A) | \rightarrow (Z | (-1, A) |
| Relativistic FMT EOS Macrophysics GR Microphysics WS cells | ie β -decay density 0 | 10 = 12 C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C | 24 Mg | 20 | |
| Relativistically consistent approach | Invers | | 28 _{Si} | ³² S | 56Fe |
| | | 10 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 |

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WDs in GR

(Rotondo, Rueda, Ruffini, Xue, Phys. Rev. D 84, 084007, 2011)



$$\frac{dM(r)}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho(r), \quad \frac{dP(r)}{dr} = -\frac{G[\rho(r) + P(r)/c^2][4\pi r^3 P(r)/c^2 + M(r)]}{r^2 [1 - 2GM(r)/(c^2 r)]}$$

Relativistic FMT at finite T



WD at finite temperature: M-R relation



Carvalho, Rotondo, Rueda, Ruffini, PRC 2014.

Testing the M-R with low-mass WD: PSR J1738+0333



Carvalho, Rotondo, Rueda, Ruffini, PRC 2014.

WDs in uniform rotation: Hartle's formalism

Boshkayev, Rueda, Ruffini, Siutsou, ApJ 762, 117 (2013)

- Hartle, J. B., ApJ 150, 1005 (1967)
- Hartle, J. B. & Thorne, K. S., ApJ, 153, 807 (1968)

$$ds^{2} = e^{v(r)} \left[1 + 2h(r,\theta)\right] dt^{2} - e^{\lambda(r)} \left[1 + \frac{2m(r,\theta)}{r - M^{J=0}(r)}\right] dr^{2} - r^{2} \left[1 + 2k(r,\theta)\right] \left\{d\theta^{2} + \sin^{2}\theta(d\phi - \omega dt)^{2}\right\}$$

where $h(r, \theta) = h_0(r) + h_2(r)P_2(\cos \theta) + ...$ $m(r, \theta) = m_0(r) + m_2(r)P_2(\cos \theta) + ...$ $k(r, \theta) = k_2(r)P_2(\cos \theta) + ...$ $e^{\lambda(r)} = [1 - 2M^{J=0}(r)/r]^{-1}$

to be obtained from Einstein equations

 $\omega(r)$, proportional to Ω h_0, h_2, m_0, m_2, k_2 , proportional to Ω^2

Stability Criteria

Boshkayev, Rueda, Ruffini, Siutsou, ApJ 762, 117 (2013)

Mass-Shedding Limit

see e.g. Stergioulas, N. 2003, Living Reviews in Relativity, 6, 3

$$\begin{split} \Omega_{orb}(r) &= \Omega_0(r) \left[1 - jF_1(r) + j^2 F_2(r) + qF_3(r) \right], \\ j &= cJ/(GM^2) \text{ and } q = c^4 Q/(G^2 M^3) \\ \Omega_0 &= \frac{M^{1/2}}{r^{3/2}}, \qquad F_1 = \frac{M^{3/2}}{r^{3/2}}, \\ F_2 &= (48M^7 - 80M^6r + 4M^5r^2 - 18M^4r^3 + 40M^3r^4 \\ &+ 10M^2r^5 + 15Mr^6 - 15r^7)/[16M^2r^4(r - 2M)] + F, \\ F_3 &= \frac{6M^4 - 8M^3r - 2M^2r^2 - 3Mr^3 + 3r^4}{16M^2r(r - 2M)/5} - F, \\ F &= \frac{15(r^3 - 2M^3)}{32M^3} \ln \frac{r}{r - 2M}. \end{split}$$

Turning Points

$$\left(\frac{\partial M(\rho_c, J)}{\partial \rho_c}\right)_J = 0$$

Friedman, Ipser, Sorkin, ApJ, 325, 722 (1988)

Microscopic instabilities

Boshkayev, Rueda, Ruffini, Siutsou, ApJ 762, 117 (2013)



Inverse beta decay



| Decay | ϵ^β_Z | $ ho_{ m crit}^{eta,{ m relFMT}}$ | $ ho_{ m crit}^{eta,{ m unif}}$ |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| $\frac{^{4}\text{He} \rightarrow^{3}\text{H} + n \rightarrow 4n}{^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow^{12}\text{B} \rightarrow^{12}\text{Be}}$ | 20.596 | 1.39×10^{11} | 1.37×10^{11} |
| | 13 370 | 3.97 × 10 ¹⁰ | 3.88×10^{10} |
| | 10.419 | 1.94×10^{10} | 1.89×10^{10} |
| | 3.695 | 1.18×10^{9} | 1.14×10^{9} |
| | | | |

$$R_{\rm pyc} = Z^4 A \rho S(E_p) 3.90 \times 10^{46} \lambda^{7/4} \\ \times \exp(-2.638/\sqrt{\lambda}) \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1} \\ \lambda = \frac{1}{Z^2 A^{4/3}} \left(\frac{\rho}{1.3574 \times 10^{11} \text{ g cm}^{-3}}\right)^{1/3}$$

Rotating WDs



Boshkayev, Rueda, Ruffini, Siutsou, ApJ 762, 117 (2013)
Newtonian versus GR

Boshkayev, Rueda, Ruffini, Siutsou, ApJ 762, 117 (2013)



Spin-down and spin-up episodes

Boshkayev, Rueda, Ruffini, Siutsou, ApJ 762, 117 (2013)



TYPE IA SUPERNOVAE FROM VERY LONG DELAYED EXPLOSION OF CORE–WD MERGER



Marjan Ilkov¹ and Noam Soker¹ (MNRAS 419, 1695, 2012)

 $10^6 \ \mathrm{G} \lesssim \mathrm{B} \sin \delta \lesssim 10^8 \ \mathrm{G}$

$$\tau_{\rm B} \simeq \frac{dJ}{d\Omega} \frac{d\Omega}{dt} = \Omega I \frac{d\Omega}{dt} = -4\pi^2 I \frac{\dot{P}}{P^3} \qquad \dot{E}_{_{EM}} = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{B^2 R^6}{c^3} \Omega^4 = -\frac{32\pi^4}{3} \frac{B^2}{c^3} \frac{R^6}{P^4}$$
$$\tau_{\rm B} \simeq \frac{Ic^3}{B^2 R^6 \Omega_{\rm c}^2} \left[1 - \left(\frac{\tilde{\Omega}_0}{\tilde{\Omega}_c}\right)^{-2} \right] (\sin \delta)^{-2} \approx 10^8 \left(\frac{B}{10^8 \text{ G}}\right)^{-2} \left(\frac{\tilde{\Omega}_{\rm c}}{0.7 \Omega_{\rm Kep}}\right)^{-2}$$
$$\times \left(\frac{R}{4000 \text{ km}}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{\sin \delta}{0.1}\right)^{-2} \left(\frac{\beta_I}{0.3}\right) \left[1 - \left(\frac{\tilde{\Omega}_0}{\tilde{\Omega}_c}\right)^{-2} \right] \text{ yr},$$

The result...

 $10^7 \lesssim t \lesssim 10^{10} {
m yr}$

Induced compression by angular momentum loss in super-Chandrasekhar WDs





Neutron star physics and astrophysics

Pulsars and Neutron stars rotational energy

$$\left(\frac{dE}{dt}\right)_{obs} \simeq 4\pi^2 \frac{I_{NS}}{P^3} \frac{dP}{dt}$$

Chinese, Japanese, Korean astronomers

R. Oppenheimer & R. Volkoff (1939)

J. Bell & T. Hewish (1967)

UHECRs (2000-2011)



Multi-frequency astronomy

Crab Nebula: Remnant of an Exploded Star (Supernova)



Radio wave (VLA)



Infrared radiation (Spitzer)



Visible light (Hubble)



Ultraviolet radiation (Astro-1)



Low-energy X-ray (Chandra)



High-energy X-ray (HEFT) *** 15 min exposure ***



Crab Nebula and CrabPulsar







 Descubiertos en 1967 por
 Jocelyn Bell y su profesor Anthony Hewish. Este último recibió el Premio Nobel de Física en 1974 por el descubrimiento.

Pulsar traditional model

- NS radiating via a rotating magnetic dipole in form of a lighthouse effect
- We see a "light pulse" every time that the radiation cone is in our line of sight

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15

Time (s)

5

Intensity

0



Pulsars (from radio to gamma rays)



Neutron star Pdot-P diagram



Pulsar energetics and efficiency (review: Abdo et al. ApJSS187, 460 (2010))





How fast can be a pulsar?

Up to 2010, the fastest OBSERVED pulsar was PSR1937+21:

P= 1.5578064688197945+/- 0.0000000000000000 ms

Currently, the fastest OBSERVED, **PSR J1748-2446ad,** has a period

P=1.39595482 ms ! (716 laps per second !!!)



The discovery of GWs

Hulse-Taylor binary:

M1 = 1.387 Msun M1 + M2 = 2.828378(7) Msun Periodo di rotazione pulsar = 59 ms (~17 giri/s) Periodo orbitale: 7.751938773864 h Separazione binaria ~ 2 milioni di km (~distanza Terra-Sole/75) Velocità orbitale ~ 450 km/s (al periastro) dP/dt = 76.5 microsec/anno (da/dt = 3.5 metri/anno) dE/dt (OG) ~ 7.3x10²⁴ Watt ~ Lsole/200

Fusione attesa in 300 milioni di anni !

 $-\frac{dE_b}{dt} = \frac{32}{5} \frac{G^4}{c^5} \frac{(M_1 + M_2)(M_1 M_2)^2}{r^5}$ $\frac{1}{P} \frac{dP}{dt} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{r} \frac{dr}{dt} = -\frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{E_b} \frac{dE_b}{dt}$

Comparison for some compact-object binaries in the Milky Way

Gomez & Rueda, ArXiv: 1706.06801

| Name | Type | $m_p \ [M_\odot]$ | $m_c \ [M_\odot]$ | P_b [days] | d [kpc] | $\dot{P}_{b}^{\rm int} \ [10^{-12}]$ | $\dot{P}_{b}^{\rm GW}$ [10 ⁻¹²] | $\dot{P}_{b,NFW}^{\rm DF}$ [10 ⁻²¹] | $\dot{P}_{b,\text{RAR}}^{\text{DF}}$ [10 ⁻²¹] |
|-----------------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| J0737-3039 | NS-NS | 1.3381(7) | 1.2489(7) | 0.104 | 1.15(22) | -1.252(17) | -1.24787(13) | -10.498 | -7.860 |
| B1534 + 12 | NS-NS | 1.3330(4) | 1.3455(4) | 0.421 | 0.7 | -0.19244(5) | -0.1366(3) | -244.166 | -27.827 |
| J1756-2251 | NS-NS | 1.312(17) | 1.258(17) | 0.321 | 2.5 | -0.21(3) | -0.22(1) | -0.271 | -20.695 |
| J1906 + 0746 | NS-NS | 1.323(11) | 1.290(11) | 0.166 | 5.4 | -0.565(6) | -0.52(2) | -2.655 | -11.176 |
| B1913 + 16 | NS-NS | 1.4398(2) | 1.3886(2) | 0.325 | 9.9 | -2.396(5) | -2.402531(14) | -7.942 | -17.747 |
| $B2127+11C^{a}$ | NS-NS | 1.358(10) | 1.354(10) | 0.333 | 10.3(4) | -3.961(2) | -3.95(13) | -8.083 | -17.0154 |
| J0348 + 0432 | NS-WD | 2.01(4) | 0.172(3) | 0.104 | 2.1(2) | -0.273(45) | -0.258(11) | -0.399 | -1.514 |
| J0751 + 1807 | NS-WD | 1.26(14) | 0.13(2) | 0.263 | 2.0 | -0.031(14) | | -1.022 | -2.587 |
| J1012 + 5307 | NS-WD | 1.64(22) | 0.16(2) | 0.60 | 0.836(80) | -0.15(15) | -0.11(2) | -3.404 | -7.343 |
| J1141-6545 | NS-WD | 1.27(1) | 1.02(1) | 0.20 | 3.7 | -0.401(25) | -0.403(25) | -3.578 | -11.469 |
| J1738+0333 | NS-WD | 1.46(6) | 0.181(7) | 0.354 | 1.47(10) | -0.0259(32) | -0.028(2) | -2.120 | -4.379 |
| WDJ0651+2844 | WD-WD | 0.26(4) | 0.50(4) | 0.008 | 1 | -9.8(28) | -8.2(17) | -0.014 | -0.207 |

In relativistic (Pb small) compact-star binaries located in the Galactic halo (low DM density) the orbital evolution is largely driven by GW emission and DMDF plays no role

Dark matter effect on compact-object evolution

Gomez & Rueda, PRD 2017; ArXiv: 1706.06801



Binaries with Pb = 0.5 days. When r is large (halo; ~kpc) the DMDF is small and the orbital evolution is largely driven by GW emission. When r is small (< 1-10 pc), the DMDF can become comparable (or overcome) the GW emission

Current knowledge of the NS structure

Oppenheimer-Volkoff (1939)

- Degenerate fluid of neutrons
- Non-strongly interacting neutrons
- Non-rotating

 $\rho_{\rm core} \gtrsim \rho_{\rm nuc} \sim 2.7 \times 10^{14} \ {\rm g/cm^3}$

Neutron star today



The Oppenheimer-Volkoff Neutron Star



HW: integrate GR hydrostatic eq. equations for a degenerate neutron gas

Neutron star structure



Outer crust: nuclei+electrons

Inner crust: nuclei+electrons+neutrons

Core: n + p + e + other particlesbut at lower fractions

 $\rho_{\rm core} \gtrsim \rho_{\rm nuc} \sim 2.7 \times 10^{14} \ {\rm g/cm^3}$

Neutron Stars: an interplay of physics theories...

Liquid Core Physics:



Solid Crust Physics:



Interacciones fuertes en NS





NS EOS (Relativistic Mean-Field Models)

(Rueda, Ruffini, Xue, Nucl. Phys. A 872, 286, 2011)



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Equations of motion

(Rueda, Ruffini, Xue, Nucl. Phys. A 872, 286, 2011)

$$G_{\mu\nu} + 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu} = 0,$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} F^{\mu\nu} - e J_{ch}^{\nu} = 0,$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} \Omega^{\mu\nu} + m_{\omega}^{2} \omega^{\nu} - g_{\omega} J_{\omega}^{\nu} = 0,$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} \mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu} + m_{\rho}^{2} \rho^{\nu} - g_{\rho} J_{\rho}^{\nu} = 0,$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} \nabla^{\mu} \sigma + \partial_{\sigma} U(\sigma) + g_{s} n_{s} = 0,$$

$$\gamma_{\mu} (i D^{\mu} - V_{N}^{\mu}) - \tilde{m}_{N}] \psi_{N} = 0,$$

$$\gamma_{\mu} (i D^{\mu} + e A^{\mu}) - m_{e}] \psi_{e} = 0,$$

$$n_{s} = \bar{\psi}_{N}\psi_{N}$$
$$\tilde{m}_{N} \equiv m_{N} + g_{\sigma}\sigma$$
$$V_{N}^{\mu} \equiv g_{\omega}\omega^{\mu} + g_{\rho}\tau\rho^{\mu} + e\left(\frac{1+\tau_{3}}{2}\right)A^{\mu}$$

Fixing the nuclear model parameters

$$n_{0} = 4 \int_{0}^{k_{\rm F}} \frac{d^{3}k}{8\pi^{3}} = \frac{2k_{\rm F}^{3}}{3\pi^{2}} \approx 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}$$

$$E_{\rm BE} = \Sigma - m_{\rm N} \approx -16 \text{ MeV} \quad \Sigma \equiv \epsilon/n_{\rm b}$$

$$\tilde{m} = m_{\rm N} + g_{\sigma}\sigma \approx (0.7 \div 0.8) m_{\rm N}$$

$$a_{\rm sym} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{n_{\rm b}} \right) \right]_{t=0}, \quad t \equiv \frac{n_{\rm n} - n_{\rm p}}{n_{\rm b}}$$

$$\approx (31 \div 33) \text{ MeV}$$

$$K = \left[k^{2} \frac{d^{2}}{2} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2} \right) \right] = 0 \left[n^{2} \frac{d^{2}}{2} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2} \right) \right] \approx (200 \div 30)$$

$$K = \left\lfloor k^2 \frac{\alpha}{dk^2} \left(\frac{c}{n_{\rm b}} \right) \right\rfloor_{k_{\rm F}} = 9 \left\lfloor n_{\rm b}^2 \frac{\alpha}{dn^2} \left(\frac{c}{n_{\rm b}} \right) \right\rfloor_{n_0} \approx (200 \div 300) \text{ MeV}$$

Nuclear model parameters...

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\epsilon_0}{n_0} &= \left(C_{\omega} n_{\rm b} + \sqrt{k_{\rm F}^2 + \tilde{m}^2} \right), \\ K &= C_{\omega} \frac{6k_{\rm F}^3}{\pi^2} + \frac{3k_{\rm F}^2}{E(k_{\rm F})} - \frac{6}{\pi^2} \frac{\tilde{m}^2 C_{\sigma} k_{\rm F}^3}{E^2(k_{\rm F})D}, \\ E_{\rm BE} &= \Sigma - m_{\rm N}, \\ a_{\rm sym} &= C_{\rho} \frac{k_{\rm F}^3}{12\pi^2} + \frac{k_{\rm F}^2}{6(k_{\rm F}^2 + \tilde{m}^2)^{1/2}}. \quad \overline{m_{\sigma}} \\ \end{aligned}$$

To obtain:

$$\{C_{\sigma}, C_{\omega}, C_{\rho}, g_2, g_3\}$$

| | NL3 | NL-SH | TM1 | TM2 |
|----------------------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| $m_{\sigma} \; ({ m MeV})$ | 508.194 | 526.059 | 511.198 | 526.443 |
| $m_{\omega} \; ({ m MeV})$ | 782.501 | 783.000 | 783.000 | 783.000 |
| $m_{\rho} \; ({\rm MeV})$ | 763.000 | 763.000 | 770.000 | 770.000 |
| g_s | 10.2170 | 10.4440 | 10.0289 | 11.4694 |
| g_{ω} | 12.8680 | 12.9450 | 12.6139 | 14.6377 |
| $g_{ ho}$ | 4.4740 | 4.3830 | 4.6322 | 4.6783 |
| $g_2 \; ({\rm fm}^{-1})$ | -10.4310 | -6.9099 | -7.2325 | -4.4440 |
| g_3 | -28.8850 | -15.8337 | 0.6183 | 4.6076 |
| c_3 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | 71.3075 | 84.5318 |
| | | | | |

Constraining the nuclear EOS and Mass-Radius Relation



Hebeler et al., ApJ (2013)

More recent neutron star radius constraints

(From Ozel & Freire, ARAA 2016)



Radii often obtained from X-ray bursts or quiescent emission

Mass-radius relation





NS in full rotation in GR (e.g. Cipolletta, Cherubini, Filippi, Rueda, Ruffini, PRD 2015) $T^{\alpha\beta} = (\varepsilon + P)u^{\alpha}u^{\beta} + Pg^{\alpha\beta}$ $ds^{2} = -e^{2\nu}dt^{2} + e^{2\psi}(d\phi - \omega dt)^{2} + e^{2\lambda}(dr^{2} + r^{2}d\theta^{2})$ $\nabla \cdot (B\nabla\nu) = \frac{1}{2}r^2 \sin^2\theta B^3 e^{-4\nu} \nabla\omega \cdot \nabla\omega + 4\pi B e^{2\zeta - 2\nu} \left[\frac{(\varepsilon + P)(1 + v^2)}{1 - v^2} + 2P \right]$ $\nabla \cdot \left(r^2 \sin^2 \theta B^3 e^{-4\nu} \nabla \omega \right) = -16\pi r \sin \theta B^2 \ e^{2\zeta - 4\nu} \frac{(\varepsilon + P)v}{1 - v^2} \qquad \nabla \cdot \left(r \sin(\theta) \nabla B \right) = 16\pi r \sin \theta B e^{2\zeta - 2\nu} P_{e^2}$ $\zeta_{,\mu} = -\left\{ \left(1-\mu^2\right) \left(1+r\frac{B_{,r}}{B}\right)^2 + \left[\mu - \left(1-\mu^2\right)\frac{B_{,r}}{B}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right\}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,\mu}\right]_{,\mu} - 2\mu B_{,\mu}\right]^2 \right\}^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left\{r^2 B_{,rr} - \left[\left(1-\mu^2\right)B_{,rr}\right]^2 \right]^2 \right]^2 \left[\frac{1}{2}B^{-1} \left[\frac{1$ $\times \left\{ -\mu + \left(1 - \mu^2\right) \frac{B_{,\mu}}{B} \right\} + r \frac{B_{,r}}{B} \left[\frac{1}{2} \mu + \mu r \frac{B_{,r}}{B} + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \mu^2\right) \frac{B_{,\mu}}{B} \right] + \frac{3}{2} \frac{B_{,\mu}}{B} \left[-\mu^2 + \mu \left(1 - \mu^2\right) \frac{B_{,\mu}}{B} \right]$ $-\left(1-\mu^{2}\right)r\frac{B_{,\mu r}}{B}\left(1+r\frac{B_{,r}}{B}\right)-\mu r^{2}(\nu_{,r})^{2}-2\left(1-\mu^{2}\right)r\nu_{,\mu}\nu_{,r}+\mu\left(1-\mu^{2}\right)(\nu_{,\mu})^{2}-2\left(1-\mu^{2}\right)r^{2}B^{-1}B_{,r}\nu_{,\mu}\nu_{,r}$ $+ (1-\mu^2) B^{-1} B_{,\mu} \left[r^2 (\nu_{,r})^2 - (1-\mu^2) (\nu_{,\mu})^2 \right] + (1-\mu^2) B^2 e^{-4\nu} \left\{ \frac{1}{4} \mu r^4 (\omega_{,r})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (1-\mu^2) r^3 \omega_{,\mu} \omega_{,r} \right\}$ $-\frac{1}{4}\mu\left(1-\mu^{2}\right)r^{2}(\omega_{,\mu})^{2}+\frac{1}{2}\left(1-\mu^{2}\right)r^{4}B^{-1}B_{,r}\omega_{,\mu}\omega_{,r}-\frac{1}{4}\left(1-\mu^{2}\right)r^{2}B^{-1}B_{,\mu}\left[r^{2}(\omega_{,r})^{2}-\left(\mu^{2}\right)(\omega_{,\mu})^{2}\right]\right\}$

Full rotation in GR

(Cipolletta, Cherubini, Filippi, Rueda, Ruffini, PRD 2015)



M/M_{sun}

Full rotation in GR

(Cipolletta, Cherubini, Filippi, Rueda, Ruffini, PRD 2015)



Observational Constraints:

- Maximum NS mass observed
- Fastest NS observed
- Radii measurements from X-ray emisison: mainly from low-mass X-ray binaries (LMXBs), and Xray isolated NSs (XINSs)
- Causality: satisfied by
Full rotation in GR (Cipolletta, Cherubini, Filippi, Rueda, Ruffini, PRD 2015)



NS deformation by rotation

(example taken from Cipolletta et al., PRD 92, 023007 (2015); arXiv: 1506.05926)



Full rotation in GR

(Cipolletta, Cherubini, Filippi, Rueda, Ruffini, PRD 2015)

$$M_2^{\text{corr}} = M_2 - \frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{1}{4} + b_0 \right) M^3, \quad M_2 = \frac{1}{2} r_{eq}^3 \int_0^1 \frac{s'^2 ds'}{(1-s')^4} \int_0^1 P_2(\mu') \tilde{S}_{\rho}(s',\mu') d\mu'$$
Pappas & Apostolatos, PRL 2012

$$S_{\rho}(r,\mu) = e^{\frac{\gamma}{2}} \left[8\pi e^{2\lambda} (\varepsilon+P) \frac{1+u^2}{1-u^2} + r^2 e^{-2\rho} \left[\omega_{,r}^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} (1-\mu^2) \omega_{,\mu}^2 \right] + \frac{1}{r} \gamma_{,r} - \frac{1}{r^2} \mu \gamma_{,\mu} \right] \\ + \frac{\rho}{2} \left\{ 16\pi e^{2\lambda} - \gamma_{,r} \left(\frac{1}{2} \gamma_{,r} + \frac{1}{r} \right) \frac{1}{r^2} \gamma_{,\mu} \left[\frac{1}{2} \gamma_{,\mu} (1-\mu^2) - \mu \right] \right\} \right],$$

$$b_0 = -\frac{16\sqrt{2\pi} r_{eq}^4}{M^2} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{s'^3 ds'}{(1-s')^5} \int_0^1 d\mu' \sqrt{1-\mu'^2} P(s',\mu') e^{\gamma+2\lambda} T_0^{\frac{1}{2}}(\mu')$$

NS moment of inertia and quadrupole moment

(Cipolletta, Cherubini, Filippi, Rueda, Ruffini, PRD 92, 023007, 2015)



Full rotation in GR

(Cipolletta, Cherubini, Filippi, Rueda, Ruffini, PRD 2015)

Static Configurations

$$\frac{M_b}{M_{\odot}} \approx \frac{M}{M_{\odot}} + \frac{13}{200} \left(\frac{M}{M_{\odot}}\right)^2$$

Rotating Configurations

$$\frac{M_b}{M_{\odot}} = \frac{M}{M_{\odot}} + \frac{13}{200} \left(\frac{M}{M_{\odot}}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{130}j^{1.7}\right)$$

Are there stable stars denser than neutron stars ? YES/NO

Are there astrophysical objects denser than neutron stars ? YES, BLACK HOLES

What object is formed from the gravitational collapse of a neutron star ? A BLACK HOLE

Gamma-Ray Bursts

Some energy sources in astrophysical systems

- Thermal energy: e.g. main-sequence stars
- Nuclear energy: novae, X-ray bursters, kilonovae, SNe la
- Accretion energy: e.g. X-ray binaries, quasars, blazars, AGN
- Gravitational energy: gravitational collapse, SN II, GRBs, ...
- Rotational energy: e.g. pulsars, AGN
- Electromagnetic energy: e.g. magnetospheric processes, magnetic field decay, twisted field flares, ...

X-ray binaries



Compact object: NS or BH

Orbital periods= minutes to days

L=10³²-10³⁵ erg/s

(in X-rays of course !)

Novae

Nova Cygni 1992

Hubble Space Telescope Faint Object Camera



Compact object: White Dwarf; donor: ordinary star: Sun-like

Orbital period, P = few minuteshours

Quiescent Emission: up to X-rays, $L=10^{34} \text{ erg/s}$

Thermonuclear explosions: brightness increases in a few days up to a factor 10^6

> Nova shell expansion !!



Kilonovae

Powered by nuclear decay of heavy elements synthetized in ejecta of e.g. NS-NS mergers



Supernovae (I and II)





Energy release 1049 - 1051 erg

Gamma-Ray Bursts

- GRBs are cosmological explosions (observed up to z=9.4 GRB 090429B)
- Most energetic objects (up to a few 10⁵⁴ erg of isotropic energy)
- Complex light-curves but in general characterized by a prompt and an extended afterglow emission
- Duration: "Short" GRBs <2 seconds and "Long" GRBs >2 seconds
- **Probe the Physics of Gravitational** Collapse and Black Hole formation



Gamma-Ray Bursts and Neutron Star Physics

Short GRBs: NS-NS and NS-BH Mergers



Long GRB-SN: Induced Gravitational Collapse





But ... eight different GRB families ?

| | Sub-class | Number | In-state | Out-state | $E_{\rm p,i}$ | $E_{\rm iso}$ | $E_{\rm iso,Gev}$ |
|--|--|--------|--|--|--|---|---|
| | | | | | (MeV) | (erg) | (erg) |
| Ι | S-GRFs | 17 | NS-NS | MNS | $\sim 0.2–2$ | $\sim 10^{49} 10^{52}$ | _ |
| II | S-GRBs | 6 | NS-NS | $_{\rm BH}$ | $\sim 2-8$ | $\sim 10^{52} 10^{53}$ | $\gtrsim 10^{52}$ |
| III | \mathbf{XRFs} | 48 | $\rm CO_{\rm core}\text{-}\rm NS$ | u NS-NS | $\sim 0.0040.2$ | $\sim 10^{48} 10^{52}$ | — |
| \mathbf{IV} | BdHNe | 329 | $\rm CO_{\rm core}\text{-}\rm NS$ | $\nu \text{NS-BH}$ | ~ 0.22 | $\sim 10^{52} 10^{54}$ | $\gtrsim 10^{52}$ |
| \mathbf{V} | BH-SN | 4 | $\rm CO_{core}$ -BH | $\nu \text{NS-BH}$ | $\gtrsim 2$ | $> 10^{54}$ | $\gtrsim 10^{53}$ |
| $\overline{\mathrm{VI}}$ | $\mathbf{U}	extsf{-}\mathbf{GRBs}$ | 0 | $\nu \text{NS-BH}$ | $_{\rm BH}$ | $\gtrsim 2$ | $> 10^{52}$ | _ |
| $\overline{\mathrm{VII}}$ | GRFs | 1 | NS-WD | \mathbf{MNS} | ~ 0.22 | $\sim 10^{51} 10^{52}$ | — |
| VIII | GR-K | 1 | WD-WD | MWD | ~ 0.082 | $\sim 10^{47}$ | — |
| 120 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 | S–GRFs (33) – short burst distribution | | KRFs (13) XRFs (82) BdHNe (345) - long burst distribution | 120 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 | S-GRFs (33) - short burst distribution | XR Bdl - lon distr | Fs (82) HNe (345) g burst ribution |
| -2 -1 0 1 2 3 4 observed Log(T_{90}/s) | | | | | -1 0 rest-f | $\frac{1}{1} \qquad \frac{2}{1}$ | 3 4 |

Ruffini, Rueda, et al., ApJ, <u>832</u> (2016) 136

The canonical GRB lightcurve



The "standard" model of GRBs



Central engine: unknown, but BH is needed (required by high energetics): most used: collapsar model, massive star formes a BH with surrounding disk

Ultrarelativistic expanding electron-positron-photon-baryon plasma

Interaction with interestellar medium (ISM)

Shocks, reverse and forward





A historical example: GRB 090618 (Izzo, Rueda, Ruffini, A&A Lett. 2012)



Another example: GRB 160625B



Data from B.-B. Zhang et. al., Nat. Astron. 2017

A current polar view of a BdHN



Data from B.-B. Zhang et. al., Nat. Astron. 2017



BdHNe and X-ray Flashes



Becerra, Bianco, Fryer, Rueda, Ruffini, ApJ 2016;arXiv:1606.02523

The example of GRB 060218: X-rays and optical emission



Becerra, Bianco, Fryer, Rueda, Ruffini, ApJ 2016;arXiv:1606.02523

The BdHN basic structure



Figure 5. Three-dimensional, half hemisphere views of the density distribution of the SN ejecta at the moment of BH formation in a BdHN. The simulation is performed with a SPH code that follows the SN ejecta expansion under the influence of the NS companion gravitational field including the effects of the orbital motion and the changes in the NS gravitational mass by the hypercritical accretion process. The initial conditions of the SN ejecta are set by a homologous velocity distribution in free expansion and the mass-distribution is modeled with 16 millions point-like particles (see Becerra et al. 2016, for additional details). The binary parameters of this simulation are: the NS companion has an initial mass of 2.0 M_{\odot} ; the CO_{core}, obtained from a progenitor with ZAMS mass $M_{ZAMS} = 30 M_{\odot}$, leads to a total ejecta mass 7.94 M_{\odot} and to a 1.5 $M_{\odot} \nu$ NS, the orbital period is $P \approx 5$ min (binary separation $a \approx 1.5 \times 10^{10}$ cm).

See arXiv:1803.05476

| $M_{\rm ZAMS}$ | $M_{ m rem}$ | $M_{ m ej}$ | $R_{\rm core}$ | $R_{\rm star}$ | $V_{ m star}$ | $E_{\rm grav}$ | m_{j} |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| (M_{\odot}) | (M_{\odot}) | (M_{\odot}) | $(10^8\mathrm{cm})$ | $(10^9\mathrm{cm})$ | $(10^8 \mathrm{cm/s})$ | $(10^{51} {\rm erg})$ | $(10^{-6}M_\odot)$ |
| 15 | 1.30 | 1.606 | 8.648 | 5.156 | 9.75 | 0.2149 | 0.2 - 4.4 |
| 25 | 1.85 | 4.995 | 2.141 | 5.855 | 5.43 | 1.5797 | 2.2 - 11.4 |
| 30^{a} | 1.75 | 7.140 | 28.33 | 7.751 | 8.78 | 1.7916 | 1.9 - 58.9 |
| 30^{b} | 1.75 | 7.140 | 13.84 | 7.830 | 5.21 | 1.5131 | 1.9 - 58.9 |
| 40 | 1.85 | 11.50 | 19.47 | 6.529 | 6.58 | 4.4305 | 2.3 - 72.3 |

CO core-NS properties

SPH Simulations I

Becerra, Ellinger, Fryer, Rueda, Ruffini; arXiv:1803.04356



SN at t=0 (shock at CO-core surface) $M_{\rm zams} = 15 \, M_{\odot}$ $M_{\rm zams} = 25 \, M_{\odot}$ $M_{\rm zams} = 30 \, M_{\odot}^a$ ----- $M_{zams} = 30 M_{\odot}^{b}$ 10^{5} $M_{\rm zams} = 40 \, M_{\odot}$ $\rho \, [\mathrm{g\,cm^{-3}}]$ 10^{4} .371e+07 10^{3} 20+6 2e+5 1.541e+05 0.20.40.60.81.0 $m / M_{\rm star}$ Becerra, Ellinger, Fryer, Rueda, Ruffini; arXiv:1803.04356

Binary-driven hypernova: orbital plane view



Becerra, Ellinger, Fryer, Rueda, Ruffini; arXiv:1803.04356



BdHN: orbital plane view

Becerra, Ellinger, Fryer, Rueda, Ruffini; arXiv:1803.04356

BdHNe: polar view and disk-like structure



Becerra, Ellinger, Fryer, Rueda, Ruffini; arXiv:1803.04356

BdHNe and the orbital plane view: "fortune cookie" morphology



Becerra, Ellinger, Fryer, Rueda, Ruffini; arXiv:1803.04356

Scaling with the orbital period and asymmetric explosion effects



Orbital separation evolution



3D view of a binary-driven hypernova


Baryon load on the orbital plane

R. Ruffini, L. Becerra, C. L. Bianco, et al.; arXiv:1712.05001; Ruffini et al. ApJ 852, 53 (2018)



Baryon load parameter = B = plasma energy / baryon target mass-energy



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[⊙] 10⁻² *W*/*W*

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e+e- plasma within the supernova ejecta: arXiv:1712.05001



arXiv:1712.05001

Neutron star binary mergers: short gamma-ray burst progenitors

Galactic Binary NSs: will they form BHs?



Short GRB subclasses: S-GRFs and S-GRBs



Ruffini et al., ApJ (2015); arXiv: 1412.1018v4

Which are the mass and angular momentum of the central remnant?

Depends on:

Mass-ratio of the binary (M1/M2 ~1 for the galactc BNS)
 Degree at which baryon mass is conserved
 Degree at which angular momentum is conserved

 $(M_1, M_2) \rightarrow (M_{b1}, M_{b2}) \rightarrow M_{bf} = \alpha (M_{b1} + M_{b2}); \quad \alpha \sim 1 \text{ (little mass is expelled)}$

 $J_{mc} = \eta J_i \sim \eta J_{bin}$ (merger instant); $\eta < 1$



Mass of merging NS components

Compactness of merging NS components

Specific example assuming equal-mass binary components (On going work; preliminary)



Merging NS components (M_{\odot})

So you can construct something like this for a specific EOS (On going work; preliminary)

