

Direct URCA-processes in neutron star quark core with strong magnetic field.

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- Neutron stars: $R = 10 \div 15$ km., $M = 1, 4 M_{\odot}$
- There were discovered massive neutron stars ($M \approx 2 M_{\odot}$), neutron stars with strong magnetic fields (magnetars).
- Cold electroneutral medium in β -equilibrium, consisting of u, d, s-quarks and electrons.
- These URCA-processes give leading contribution in neutrino emissivity:

$$u + e^{-} \rightarrow d + \nu_e \text{ (crossing)}, \quad d \rightarrow u + e^{-} + \bar{\nu}_e \text{ (decay)}.$$

- Lagrangian of four-fermion interaction:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{G_F \cos \theta_c}{\sqrt{2}} [\bar{d}\gamma_{\alpha}(g_v + g_a\gamma^5)u][\bar{\nu}\gamma^{\alpha}(1 + \gamma^5)e].$$

- Without magnetic field the neutrino emissivity is:

$$Q \sim G_F^2 \alpha_c \mu_u \mu_d \mu_e T^6 \quad \langle \text{Iwamoto, (1980)} \rangle$$

Inclusion of strong magnetic field

- We solve the problem in approximations:

$$\mu_u^2, \mu_d^2 \gg m_q^2(\mu) > eB \gtrsim \mu_e^2 \gg T^2.$$

1) The magnetic field has small effect on QCD-dynamics and equation of state of quark medium. The quarks take a lot of Landau-levels.

2) The electrons take ground Landau-level.

- Substituting $\mu_{u,d} \approx 500$ MeV, $\mu_e \approx 30$ MeV, we obtain

$$B \sim 10^{17} \text{Gs.}$$

- In the finite-temperature QCD:

$$m_q^2(\mu) = \frac{2\alpha_{st}}{3\pi} \mu_q^2.$$

- The quarks are ideal massive gas, electrons and neutrino are ideal massless gases in external magnetic field

$$m_e \rightarrow 0, \quad m_q = m_q(\mu_q).$$

Evaluation of neutrino emissivity

- The neutrino emissivity in crossing process:

$$\mathcal{Q}^{\text{cr}} = \frac{1}{V} \sum dn_u f_u \sum dn_e f_e \sum dn_d (1 - f_d) \sum dn_\nu \omega \frac{|S_{\text{if}}|^2}{\tau},$$

where sums mean summing under overall phase volumes of particles, f_i – are distribution function of particles, ω - is neutrino energy.

It is assumed in formula, that emitting medium is transparent for neutrinos.

- Sums for u, d, e are:

$$\sum dn = \sum_s \sum_n g_n L_y L_z \int \frac{dp_y dp_z}{(2\pi)^2}, \quad g_n = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 0, \\ 2, & \text{if } n > 0, \end{cases}$$

and we use this gauge: $\vec{B} = B \cdot \vec{n}_z$, $A^\mu = (0, 0, Bx, 0)$.

- Summation for neutrino is:

$$\sum dn = V \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3}.$$

Evaluation of neutrino emissivity

- When we evaluate $|\mathcal{S}_{if}|^2$, we use:

$$\sum_s \psi(x) \bar{\psi}(x') = \frac{e^{-i\Phi(x,x')}}{2E_n L_y L_z} \int \frac{d^3p_x}{2\pi} e^{-ip(x-x')} \hat{\rho}_n(p),$$

where $\Phi(x, x')$ - is phase, $E_n = \sqrt{p_z^2 + 2qeBn + m^2}$, $\hat{\rho}_n(p)$ - is density matrix of charged particle in magnetic field, which was summarized on spins.

- After simplification, the crossing emissivity is:

$$\begin{aligned} Q^{(cr)} = & \frac{3G_F^2 \cos^2 \theta_c g_v^2}{32(2\pi)^8} \sum_{n,n'} g_n g_{n'} \int \frac{d^3\mathcal{P}_1}{E_n} f_u \int \frac{d^3p}{\epsilon_{n''}} f_e \cdot \\ & \cdot \int \frac{d^3\mathcal{P}_2}{E_{n'}} (1 - f_d) \int d^3k \delta^4(\mathcal{P}_1 + p - \mathcal{P}_2 - k) \text{Sp}[\hat{\rho}_d \gamma_\alpha \cdot \\ & \cdot (1 + c\gamma^5) \hat{\rho}_u \gamma_\beta (1 + c\gamma^5)] \text{Sp}[\hat{\rho}_\nu \gamma^\alpha (1 + \gamma^5) \hat{\rho}_e \gamma^\beta (1 + \gamma^5)], \end{aligned}$$

where $g = \frac{g_a}{g_v}$.

Evaluation of neutrino emissivity

The density matrixes for u, d, e, ν are <Gvozdev, Osokina, (2012)>:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\rho}_e(p) &= 2e^{-\frac{ue}{2}} \hat{p}_{||} \Pi_- \quad , \quad \hat{\rho}_\nu(k) = \frac{1}{2} \hat{k}(1 - \gamma^5), \\ \hat{\rho}_u(\mathcal{P}_1) &= 2(-1)^n e^{-\frac{uu}{2}} \cdot [(\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{1||} + m)(L_n(u_u)\Pi_+ - L_{n-1}(u_u)\Pi_- + 2\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{1\perp} L_{n-1}^1(u_u)], \\ \hat{\rho}_d(\mathcal{P}_2) &= 2(-1)^{n'} e^{-\frac{ud}{2}} \cdot [(\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{2||} + m)(L_{n'}(u_d)\Pi_- - L_{n'-1}(u_d)\Pi_+) + 2\hat{\mathcal{P}}_{2\perp} L_{n'-1}^1(u_d)],\end{aligned}$$

where $u = 2p_{\perp}^2/qeB$, qe - is module of particle charge, L_n, L_{n-1}^1 - are Laguerre polynomial, $\hat{p}_{||} = p_{\mu} \gamma_{||}^{\mu}$, $\hat{p}_{\perp} = p_{\mu} \gamma_{\perp}^{\mu}$,

$$A^{\mu} = (A^0, A^1, A^2, A^3), \quad A^{\mu}_{||} = A^{\mu}_{||} - A^{\mu}_{\perp},$$

$$A^{\mu}_{||} = (A^0, 0, 0, A^3), \quad A^{\mu}_{\perp} = (0, -A^1, -A^2, 0),$$

$\Pi_{\sigma} = \frac{1}{2}[1 + \sigma i \gamma^1 \gamma^2]$ - fermion projection operator.

Integrals on transversal components

It is necessary to evaluate the following integrals:

$$\mathcal{J}^{(n,m)} = \int d\mathcal{P}_{1x}d\mathcal{P}_{1y} \int d\mathcal{P}_{2x}d\mathcal{P}_{2y} \int dp_x dp_y \cdot \\ L_n(u_u)L_m(u_d)\exp\left[-\frac{u_u + u_d + u_e}{2}\right]\delta_{\perp}(\mathcal{P}_1 + p - \mathcal{P}_2 - k),$$

$$\mathcal{J}^{(n,m)\alpha} = \int d\mathcal{P}_{1x}d\mathcal{P}_{1y} \int d\mathcal{P}_{2x}d\mathcal{P}_{2y} \int dp_x dp_y \mathcal{P}_1^{\alpha} \cdot \\ L_{n-1}^1(u_u)L_m(u_d)\exp\left[-\frac{u_u + u_d + u_e}{2}\right]\delta_{\perp}(\mathcal{P}_1 + p - \mathcal{P}_2 - k),$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{J}}^{(n,m)\alpha} = \int d\mathcal{P}_{1x}d\mathcal{P}_{1y} \int d\mathcal{P}_{2x}d\mathcal{P}_{2y} \int dp_x dp_y \mathcal{P}_2^{\alpha} \cdot \\ L_n(u_u)L_{m-1}^1(u_d)\exp\left[-\frac{u_u + u_d + u_e}{2}\right]\delta_{\perp}(\mathcal{P}_1 + p - \mathcal{P}_2 - k),$$

where

$$\delta_{\perp}(\mathcal{P}_1 + p - \mathcal{P}_2 - k) = \delta(\mathcal{P}_{1x} + p_x - \mathcal{P}_{2x} - k_x)\delta(\mathcal{P}_{1y} + p_y - \mathcal{P}_{2y} - k_y).$$

Integrals on transversal components

After evaluations:

$$\mathcal{J}^{(n,m)} = \frac{\pi^2}{3} (eB)^2 (-1)^{n+m} I_0^{(n,m)}(v),$$

$$\mathcal{J}^{(n,m)\alpha} = k_{\perp}^{\alpha} \frac{\pi^2}{6} (eB)^2 (-1)^{n+m+1} n \left(I_1^{(n-1,m)}(v) - I_1^{(n,m)}(v) \right),$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{J}}^{(n,m)\alpha} = k_{\perp}^{\alpha} \frac{\pi^2}{6} (eB)^2 (-1)^{n+m} m \left(I_1^{(n,m-1)}(v) - I_1^{(n,m)}(v) \right),$$

where $v^2 = \frac{k_{\perp}^2}{eB}$, $v \ll 1$, and

$$I_0^{(n,m)}(v) \equiv \int_0^{\infty} dx e^{-3x} L_n(2x) L_m(x) J_0(\sqrt{6}v\sqrt{x}),$$

$$I_1^{(n,m)}(v) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{1}{v} \int_0^{\infty} dx \frac{e^{-3x}}{\sqrt{x}} L_n(2x) L_m(x) J_1(\sqrt{6}v\sqrt{x}),$$

The special functions have maximum at $m = 2n - 1$.

Some approximations

- We denote:

$$E_n = \sqrt{p_z^2 + 2qeBn + m^2}, \quad 2qeBn \equiv p_\perp^2.$$

Accordingly for u-, d-quarks: $\mathcal{P}_{1\perp}^2 \equiv \frac{4}{3}eBn$,
 $\mathcal{P}_{2\perp}^2 \equiv \frac{2}{3}eBn'$, $\mathcal{P}_{2\perp}^2 - \mathcal{P}_{1\perp}^2 \equiv \Delta\mathcal{P}_\perp^2$.

- We have $\mu_e \ll \mu_u, \mu_d$, and $\mu_u < \mu_d$, that's why

$$f_u f_e (1 - f_d) = f_d (1 - f_u) (1 - f_e) e^{-\frac{\omega}{T}} e^{\frac{\mu_e - \Delta\mu}{T}}.$$

$$f_d (1 - f_u) \rightarrow S \cdot \delta(E_{n'} - \mu_d), \quad \Delta\mu \equiv \mu_d - \mu_u,$$

$$S = \int_0^\infty dE_n dE_{n'} f_d (1 - f_u) \delta(E_{n'} - E_n - q_0) \approx \frac{q_0 - \Delta\mu}{\exp\left(\frac{q_0 - \Delta\mu}{T}\right) - 1},$$

For crossing and decay accordingly: $q = p - k$, $q = p + k$.

- Presenting $\delta(E_{n'} - \mu_d)$ in Lorentz-invariance form, we obtain

$$\sqrt{q_{\parallel}^2} \approx s \frac{\Delta\mathcal{P}_\perp^2}{2\mu_d}, \quad \frac{\sqrt{q_{\parallel}^2}}{\mu_d} \ll 1.$$

Integrals on parallel components

Next we evaluate integrals on parallel components:

$$\mathcal{I}_s \equiv \int \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{1z}}{E_n} \int \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{2z}}{E_{n'}} \delta_{||}(\mathcal{P}_2 - \mathcal{P}_1 - q) \delta(E_2 - \mu_d)$$

$$\mathcal{I}_V^{(1)\mu} \equiv \int \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{1z}}{E_n} \int \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{2z}}{E_{n'}} \delta_{||}(\mathcal{P}_2 - \mathcal{P}_1 - q) \delta(E_2 - \mu_d) \mathcal{P}_{1||}^\mu$$

$$\mathcal{I}_V^{(2)\mu} \equiv \int \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{1z}}{E_n} \int \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{2z}}{E_{n'}} \delta_{||}(\mathcal{P}_2 - \mathcal{P}_1 - q) \delta(E_2 - \mu_d) \mathcal{P}_{2||}^\mu$$

$$\mathcal{I}_T^{\alpha\beta} \equiv \int \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{1z}}{E_n} \int \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{2z}}{E_{n'}} \delta_{||}(\mathcal{P}_2 - \mathcal{P}_1 - q) \delta(E_2 - \mu_d) \mathcal{P}_{1||}^\alpha \mathcal{P}_{2||}^\beta$$

$$\mathcal{I}_\phi \equiv \int \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{1z}}{E_n} \int \frac{d\mathcal{P}_{2z}}{E_{n'}} \delta_{||}(\mathcal{P}_2 - \mathcal{P}_1 - q) \delta(E_2 - \mu_d) (\mathcal{P}_1 \tilde{\phi} \mathcal{P}_2) = 0.$$

Integrals on parallel components

- Roughly we obtain:

$$\mathcal{I}_s \approx \frac{2\delta(\cos\theta - \cos\theta^*)}{\mu_d^2 v_F^2 \omega},$$

where $v_F^2 \equiv 1 - 2eBn'/3\mu_d^2$ - is square of Fermi velocity.

- Other integrals can be expressed through \mathcal{I}_s :

$$\mathcal{I}_v^{(1)\mu} = \frac{\Delta\mathcal{P}_\perp^2 - q_\parallel^2}{2q_\parallel^2} \mathcal{I}_s q_\parallel^\mu, \quad \mathcal{I}_v^{(2)\mu} = \frac{\Delta\mathcal{P}_\perp^2 + q_\parallel^2}{2q_\parallel^2} \mathcal{I}_s q_\parallel^\mu,$$

$$\mathcal{I}_T^{\alpha\beta} = \left(a\tilde{\Lambda}^{\alpha\beta} + b \frac{q_\parallel^\alpha q_\parallel^\beta}{q_\parallel^2} \right) \mathcal{I}_s,$$

$$a = -\frac{\Delta\mathcal{P}_\perp^2 + q_\parallel^2}{2} + \mathcal{P}_{2\perp}^2 + m^2 - \frac{(\Delta\mathcal{P}_\perp^2)^2 - (q_\parallel^2)^2}{4q_\parallel^2},$$

$$b = -\frac{(\Delta\mathcal{P}_\perp^2)^2 - (q_\parallel^2)^2}{2q_\parallel^2} + \frac{\Delta\mathcal{P}_\perp^2 + q_\parallel^2}{2} - \mathcal{P}_{2\perp}^2 - m^2.$$

In our gauge:

$$F_{\mu\nu} = B \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & +1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \phi_{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{F_{\mu\nu}}{B},$$

$$\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F^{\rho\sigma} = B \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & +1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\phi}_{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}}{B}.$$

The tensors $\Lambda_{\mu\nu}, \tilde{\Lambda}_{\mu\nu}$ are:

$$\Lambda_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\Lambda}_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \tilde{\Lambda}_{\mu\nu} - \Lambda_{\mu\nu}.$$

- Evaluating of emissivity, we can see, that

$$(p_1 \tilde{\phi} p_2) \rightarrow 0.$$

- We express other convolutions in terms $q_{||}^2, k_{||}^2$. For crossing:

$$(p \tilde{\Lambda} k) = \frac{k_{||}^2 - q_{||}^2}{2}, \quad (k \tilde{\Lambda} q) = -\frac{k_{||}^2 + q_{||}^2}{2}, \quad (p \tilde{\Lambda} q) = \frac{q_{||}^2 - k_{||}^2}{2}.$$

For decay:

$$(p \tilde{\Lambda} k) = \frac{q_{||}^2 - k_{||}^2}{2}, \quad (k \tilde{\Lambda} q) = \frac{k_{||}^2 + q_{||}^2}{2}, \quad (p \tilde{\Lambda} q) = \frac{q_{||}^2 - k_{||}^2}{2}.$$

- We take leading contribution in S-matrix element:

$$\mu_d^2, \mathcal{P}_{2\perp}^2 \gg q_{||}^2, m^2, \Delta \mathcal{P}_{\perp}^2.$$

- We neglect contribution from $I_1^{(n,m)}$.

- From the conservation law of square components of impulses, for crossing and decay accordingly:

$$2n - n' > 0, \quad n' - 2n > 0.$$

- Therefore we introduce new variables for crossing and decay, and replace summs:

$$k = 2n - n', \quad k = n' - 2n,$$

$$\sum_{n,n'} \rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{N_1} \sum_{k=1}^{2n}, \quad \sum_{n,n'} \rightarrow \sum_{n'=0}^{N_2} \sum_{k=1}^{n'}.$$

where $N_1 = 3\mu_u^2/4eB$, $N_2 = 3\mu_d^2/2eB$.

The leading contributions in neutrino emissivity are:

$$Q^{(\text{cr})} \approx \frac{2G_{\text{F}}^2 \cos^2 \theta_c (g_{\text{v}}^2 + g_{\text{a}}^2)}{(\pi)^5} (eB)^2 \mu_{\text{e}}^2 \Delta\mu T^2 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta\mu}{T}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{eB}{3\mu_{\text{d}}T}\right) \sum_n I_0^{(n, 2n-1)} \frac{1 + v_{\text{F}}^2}{v_{\text{F}}^2}.$$

$$Q^{(\text{dec})} \leq \frac{9\sqrt{\pi}G_{\text{F}}^2 \cos^2 \theta_c (g_{\text{v}}^2 + g_{\text{a}}^2)}{4\sqrt{2}(\pi)^5} (eB)\mu_{\text{d}}\sqrt{\mu_{\text{e}}}(\mu_{\text{e}} - \Delta\mu + \frac{5}{2}T)T^{\frac{9}{2}} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{\mu_{\text{e}} - \Delta\mu}{T}\right) \sum_{n'} I_0^{(\frac{n'}{2}, n')} \frac{1 - v_{\text{F}}^2}{v_{\text{F}}^2},$$

where for crossing and decay accordingly: $v_{\text{F}}^2 = 1 - 4eBn/3\mu_{\text{d}}^2$,
 $v_{\text{F}}^2 = 1 - 2eBn'/3\mu_{\text{d}}^2$.

- The direct URCA-processes in our approximations

$$\mu_u^2, \mu_d^2 \gg m_q^2(\mu) > eB \gtrsim \mu_e^2 \gg T^2$$

$$\mu_d^2, \mathcal{P}_{2\perp}^2 \gg q_{\parallel}^2, m^2, \Delta \mathcal{P}_{\perp}^2$$

are exponentially suppressed

- 1) The decay suppression is a consequence of small region of overlap of statistical factors u- and d- quarks

$$S = \int_0^{\infty} dE_n dE_{n'} f_d (1 - f_u) \delta(E_{n'} - E_n - q_0) \approx \frac{q_0 - \Delta \mu}{\exp\left(\frac{q_0 - \Delta \mu}{T}\right) - 1},$$

- 2) The crossing suppression is a consequence of one-dimensional kinematics:

$$\omega > \epsilon, \quad \epsilon \geq \mu_e.$$

- The main question is how do URCA-processes go on at gradual decrease of magnetic field?

Thank you for watching!!



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