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Solar abundance problem

The Sun



core

- radiation zone
- convection zone
- ✓ high temperature
- ✓ large magnetic fields

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Standard solar model

input:
$$au_{\odot}$$
, M_{\odot} , L_{\odot} , R_{\odot} , $(Z/X)_{\odot}$, $\kappa(\rho, T, X_i)$, $\epsilon(\rho, T, X_i)$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{GM\rho}{r^2}, & \triangleright \mbox{ hydrostatic equilibrium} \\ \frac{dM}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho, & \triangleright \mbox{ continuity} \\ \frac{dL}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho \left(\epsilon_{nuc} - \epsilon_{\nu}\right), & \triangleright \mbox{ energy production} \\ \frac{dT}{dr} = \begin{cases} -\frac{3\kappa\rho L}{64\pi r^2\sigma T^3}, & \nabla_{rad} < \nabla_{ad} \\ \nabla_{ad} \cdot \frac{T}{P} \frac{dP}{dr}, & \nabla_{rad} \geq \nabla_{ad} \\ \nabla_{ad} \cdot \frac{T}{P} \frac{dP}{dr}, & \nabla_{rad} \geq \nabla_{ad} \end{cases} & \triangleright \mbox{ equation of state} \end{aligned}$$

fit: Y_{ini} , Z_{ini} , α_{MLT} output: T(r), P(r), $\rho(r)$, M(r), L(r), $X_i(r)$, $\Phi_{\nu,i}$

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Solar physics in the XXI century

Solar physics - rapidly developing field of science

- Solar neutrinos
- Non-equilibrium 3D models of the atmosphere → chemical composition AGSS09

- Opacity function: calculations and experiment
- Helioseismology: new data

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Helioseismology

Solar oscillations spectrum is used to determine:



- sound speed profile
- surface helium abundance
- depth of the convection zone
- density profile
- differential rotation profile

NB! $L/M^3 \sim \mu^4/\kappa$

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Helioseismological sound speed profile does not agree with the Standard solar model calculations, significance 4.7 σ (Vinyoles'16)



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Attempts at the solution

- Opacity increase (no physical mechanism known)
- Rotation with enhanced gravitational settling (no physical mechanism known)
- Additional diffusive energy transfer in the core by DM (partial solution; required dipole moments excluded by direct search experiments)
- Accretion, 3D models, fifth force etc. no solution

Non-diffusive energy transfer

Emission of particles and absorption of energy \rightarrow variation of $\epsilon(m)$.

$$l(m) = \xi_1 \int_0^m \left(\epsilon_{\text{nuc}}(\bar{m}) - \epsilon_{\nu}(\bar{m}) + \sum_i \epsilon_i(\bar{m}) \right) d\bar{m}, \qquad l(1) = 1$$

$$\sum_{i} \epsilon_{i} = \sum_{i} \tilde{\epsilon}_{i} + \bar{\epsilon}, \quad \bar{\epsilon} \equiv \int_{0}^{1} dm \sum_{i} \epsilon_{i}$$

Effects:

Luminous flux power profile

Two models: part l



Two models: part II

- two models: Standard and with increased opacity (Villante'15)
- variation of l(m) now only in the core: $\bar{\delta}l(m) = \bar{\delta}l_{nuc}(m)$, $\bar{\delta}l_{nuc}/l_{nuc} \ll 1$

• $\kappa \propto mt^{3}t'/(lp') \implies \frac{\overline{\delta}\kappa}{\kappa} = 3\frac{\overline{\delta}t}{t} + \frac{\overline{\delta}t'}{t'} - \frac{\overline{\delta}p'}{p'} - \left(\frac{\overline{\delta}l}{l}\right)_{nuc}$ • helioseismology: $\delta c_{s} = \overline{\delta}c_{s}$ is $\delta \rho = \overline{\delta}\rho \implies \delta p' = \overline{\delta}p'$, as well as

$$\frac{\delta\mu}{\mu} = \frac{\bar{\delta}\mu}{\mu} + \left(\frac{\delta\mu}{\mu}\right)_{\text{nuc}}, \qquad \frac{\bar{\delta}\mu}{\mu} = \frac{5\,\delta Y_{\text{s}}}{8-5\,Y}$$

Luminous flux power profile

Luminous flux power profile

Inside the radiation zone and the core: $[\forall x : (x)_{nuc} \propto \bar{\epsilon}]$ $(\delta l)_{\tilde{\epsilon}} = l \cdot \left(\frac{\bar{\delta}\kappa}{\kappa} + 2\beta \frac{\delta c_s}{c_s} - \alpha \frac{\delta \rho}{\rho} + \beta \frac{\bar{\delta}\mu}{\mu} + (4+\beta) \cdot \left(\frac{\delta \mu}{\mu}\right)_{nuc} + \frac{c_s}{2 c'_s} \left(\frac{\delta \mu}{\mu}\right)'_{nuc} + \left(\frac{\delta l - \bar{\delta}l}{l}\right)_{nuc} \right)$



energy emission

Inside the convection zone: $\delta l = 0$

Rescaling of the opacity

Global rescaling of opacity does not influence sound speed profile:

$$\kappa \rightarrow (1+C) \cdot \kappa, \quad r \rightarrow r \quad (R_{\odot} = \text{const})$$

$$\int dm \, Gm/r = 2 \cdot 3/2 \int P dV = 3 \int dm \, P/\rho \propto \int dm \, c_s^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad c_s \rightarrow c_s$$

Analogue of the proposed DM solutions:



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Particle physics model

Model

Consider vector extension of SM with kinetic and mass mixing:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{0} &= -\frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_{1\mu\nu} \mathcal{F}_{1}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_{2\mu\nu} \mathcal{F}_{2}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\delta}{2} \mathcal{F}_{1\mu\nu} \mathcal{F}_{2}^{\mu\nu}, \\ \mathcal{L}_{1} &= J_{\mu}' \mathcal{A}_{1}^{\mu} + J_{\mu} \mathcal{A}_{2}^{\mu}, \\ \mathcal{L}_{Mass} &= -\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{M}_{1}^{2} \mathcal{A}_{1\mu} \mathcal{A}_{1}^{\mu} - \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{M}_{2}^{2} \mathcal{A}_{2\mu} \mathcal{A}_{2}^{\mu} - \mathcal{M}_{1} \mathcal{M}_{2} \mathcal{A}_{1\mu} \mathcal{A}_{2}^{\mu}. \end{split}$$

After diagonalization the interaction is:

$$L_{1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 2\delta\epsilon + \epsilon^{2}}} \left(\frac{\epsilon - \delta}{\sqrt{1 - \delta^{2}}} J_{\mu} + \frac{1 - \epsilon\delta}{\sqrt{1 - \delta^{2}}} J_{\mu}' \right) A_{M}^{\mu} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 2\delta\epsilon + \epsilon^{2}}} \left(J_{\mu} - \epsilon J_{\mu}' \right) A_{\gamma}^{\mu}.$$

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Emission of dark photons

radiation zone boundary $\rightarrow M = 12 \text{ eV}$ – dark photon mass



- emitting region is a sphere
- power emitted:

$$l_{\gamma'} = 0.26 \cdot \left(rac{\delta}{1.5 \cdot 10^{-13}}
ight)^2$$

beyond constraints (Redondo'13)

 $M \gg m_c$ \rightarrow decay to millicharges

Particle physics model

Capture inside the Sun

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• capture due to millicharge $\varepsilon \equiv \epsilon e'/e$:

$$r_L = \frac{\sqrt{\omega_c^2 - m_c^2}}{\epsilon e'B} = 0.01 \ R_{\odot} \cdot \left(\frac{\omega_c}{\text{keV}}\right) \left(\frac{B}{0.7 \text{ MG}}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{7 \cdot 10^{-15}}\right)^{-1}$$

 \blacksquare Ferraro law and helioseismology \rightarrow magnetic field confinement (Lang'10)



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• requirement on α' :

$$M_{th} = \frac{\omega'_{pl}}{\sqrt{\gamma_c}} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi\alpha' \cdot 2n_c}{\gamma_c m_c}} \simeq \sqrt{1.5 \,\alpha'} T_c, \ M_{th} \ll M \Rightarrow \alpha' \ll 0.7 \left(\frac{M}{T_c}\right)^2$$
$$\alpha' \ll 10^{-4} \left(\frac{T_c}{\text{keV}}\right)^{-2}$$

 energy of the ultrarelativistic millicharge gas increases until the heat fluxes are equilibrated, the present-day system is stationary Particle physics model

Solar plasma heating

- millicharges + electrons, Coulomb: $\sigma \sim \alpha^2 \varepsilon^2$
- energy transfer: $\Delta \omega_c = \frac{\omega_c}{m_e} \cdot (\xi T \omega_c) \cdot (1 \cos \theta)$
- cross section:

$$d\sigma = \frac{\varepsilon^2 e^4}{8\pi\omega_c^2} \cdot \frac{(1-x/2) dx}{(x+\psi)^2}, \quad x = 1 - \cos\theta, \quad \psi = \omega_{pl}^2/(2\omega_c^2)$$

heating:

$$Q = 2n_e n_c \left\langle \int \Delta \omega_c \, d\sigma \right\rangle = \frac{\varepsilon^2 e^4 n_e n_c}{4\pi m_e} \cdot \left(\frac{T}{T_c} - 1\right) \cdot \mathsf{K}\left(\frac{4T_c^2}{\omega_{pl}^2}\right)$$
$$\mathsf{K}\left(a\right) \equiv \frac{2}{3\zeta(3)} \int_0^\infty dx \, \frac{x^2 \left(\ln ax^2 - 1\right)}{e^x + 1}$$

Variation of the luminous flux power profile

Calculate luminous flux change due to the heating:

$$\delta l_c(r) = -\frac{4\pi R_\odot^3}{L_\odot} \cdot \int_0^r Q(x) \, x^2 \, dx$$

Fit parameters of the model to the solar data:



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- We studied the general energy transfer solutions to the solar abundance problem
- We found the variation of the luminous flux power profile that is required to solve the solar abundance problem
- We showed that solely the emission of particles cannot solve the problem, moreover helioseismology cannot provide bounds on such emission from the tachocline region
- The example of a physical model was suggested which can alleviate the discrepancies

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Exclusion plot for millicharges



Figure 1: Regions of mass-charge space ruled out for milli-charged particles. The solid and dashed lines apply to the model with a paraphoton; solid and dotted lines apply in the absence of a paraphoton. The bounds arise from the following constraints: AC—accelerator experiments; Op—the Tokyo search for the invisible decay of ortho-positronium [26]; SLAC the SLAC milli-charged particle search [27]; L—the Lamb shift; BBN—nucleosynthesis; $\Omega \Omega < 1$; RG—plasmon decay in red giants; WD—plasmon decay in white dwarfs; DM—dark matter searches; SN—Supernova 1987A.

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