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s-process in AGB and super-AGB stars

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Stellar Evolution and AGB stars

Current situations of stellar evolution

- Standard stellar evolution theory is almost established in one-dimensional framework.
 - Main concern is the application of the mixing length theory (MLT), which is thought to be a crude approximation.
- Simulations with large nuclear reaction network are possible with developing computational capacity.
- 3D hydrodynamical models have been developed in the last decade, mainly focus on convective mixing.
 - Simulations in very short time scale, which cannot be stellar evolution.
- Numerical results are available by MESA code.
 - Updated periodically (Paxton+11,13,15,18).
- Seismology is expected to constrain stellar structure.
 - Kepler to TESS.

Mass - Lifetime relation



Final fate of AGB / SAGB stars

- The key parameters to determine the final fate of intermediate-mass stars are as follows, although they are affected by the uncertainties associated with the input physics.
 - M_{up}: the minimum initial mass required to ignite carbon. ~7 M_☉ with small metallicity dependence
 - Mn: the minimum initial mass that forms a neutron star resulting from an electron-capture supernovae.

~9 M_{\odot} with small metallicity dependence

M_{mas}: the minimum initial mass that forms an iron corecollapse supernovae.

~9.5 M_{\odot} with small metallicity dependence

Structure of AGB stars





Thermally Pulsating AGB (TPAGB) stars

M=2M_•, Z=0.02

Keywords for the evolution of (S)AGB stars

Dredge-up

Mixing of nuclear burning products by the convective envelope. "1st", "2nd", and "3rd dredge-up" are defined.

Hot Bottom Burning

Nuclear burning (CNO cycles) at the bottom of the convective envelope. Carbon rich stars turn to carbon-normal stars.

Mass Loss

Ejection of the convective envelope. It prevents from the explosion of intermediate-mass stars.

Core Mass

Mass of the hydrogen-exhausted core, also called "He-core". It determines the characteristics of stellar evolution.

Third Dredge-Up: Carbon Enhancement

- Deepening of convective envelope during the AGB phase (lben75)
- Observational counterparts: C stars
 - Criteria for TDU
 - Luminosity
 - Helium core mass

- Inconsistent with the observations of Magellanic Clouds.
 - M_c needs to be >~0.6M \odot for TDU to occur (lben+Renzini83).
- Carbon star mystery (lben81)
 Latest models find TDU with M_c < 0.6M_☉.
 Weiss+Ferguson09: M_c = 0.508M_☉ for 1.0M_☉

2. s-process

- ・<u>中性子捕獲によって合成される</u>元素のうち、中性子捕獲よりもβ崩壊の 方が素早く起こるような環境で作られる元素。
- <u>観測的証拠はAGB星での⁹⁹Tcの検出</u>。
 - ・半減期2.13x10⁵ yrでAGB thermal pulseの周期と同程度
 - ・ 表面で観測されれば、s-processによる合成と表面への輸送の証拠となる。
 - ・ AGB星での検出はMerrill52が最初。
 - ・ 定量的な観測は、Smith+Wallerstein83, Dominy+Wallerstein86など。
- ・AGB星で作られると考えられており、中性子源は以下の2つの反応に
 - よって放出される(Cameron55)。
 - ${}^{13}C(\alpha,n){}^{16}O$
 - ・ ¹³C pocket: TDUの後に表面対流層の底に水素が混入⇒炭素の水素捕獲
 - ²²Ne(α ,n)²⁵Mg
 - ・ Massive AGB stars (M_c >~ 1 M_☉)のHe対流層で¹⁴Nから²²Neが作られる。
 - ・22Neソースの方が13Cソースよりも高温の環境で機能する。
- <u>13C pocketの効率はfree parameter</u>
 - opacity? shear mixing? overshooting?

s-process by ¹³C Pocket

Parameter Search of ¹³C Pocket Efficiency

Hot Bottom Burning: CNO Cycle at the Base of Convective Envelope

- Temperature at the bottom of convective envelope becomes high (T_{BCE} > 50 MK) at large core mass, where CN cycles operate (lben75,76).
 - ¹²C/¹³C approaches a equillibrium value (~3.4) at T_{BCE} ~ 80MK (Truran72).
- HBB first discovered in a 7Mo model(Iben75).
 - Application to chemical evolution models(Iben+Truran78)
 - Determination of the mass range of HBB (Renzini+Voli81)。
 - Occurrence of HBB strongly depends on mixing length parameter ($\alpha = I_{mix}/H_P$)(lben76).
 - $(\alpha, M_{HBB}) = (2, 3.3M_{\odot}), (1.5, 4M_{\odot}), (1, 6.8M_{\odot})$ (Renzini+Voli81)
- HBB is prohibited in thin envelope mass(Frost+98, Karakas+Lattanzio07)
 - Mcrit = 1.5 Mo (Karakas+Lattanzio07)
- No direct evidence of HBB in the observations of AGB stars?
 - N > C confirmed by observation (Smith+Lambert83,85)
 - Metal-poor AGB star: CS30322-023 (Masseron+06)

Mass Loss

- Mechanisms are poorly understood.
- Reimers formula for RGB stars (Reimers75)
 - free parameter $\eta_{\rm R} = 0.3-1.0$
 - effective only for low-mass(~0.8M⊙) giants.

 $\dot{M}_R = -4 \times 10^{-13} \frac{(L/L_{\odot}) (R/R_{\odot})}{(M/M_{\odot})} \eta_R \quad [M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}]$ • consistent with the horizontal branch of GCs.

- Dust-driven mass loss (Bowen+Willson91,Wachter+08)
 - Carbon-dust (SiC) is promising for mass loss.
- Observed mass loss rate for AGB stars (Vassiliadis+Wood93)
 - Period-Luminosity relation in Mira variables
- Mass loss rate increases at certain luminosity (superwind). $\log \dot{M}_{\rm WR} = -11.4 + 0.0125 \left[P - 100 \max \left(\frac{M}{M_{\odot}} - 2.5 \right) \right] \qquad [M_{\odot} \rm{yr}^{-1}] \quad (P[\rm{days}])$ $\log P = -2.07 + 1.94 \log \frac{R}{R_{\odot}} - 0.9 \log \frac{M}{M_{\odot}}$ [days] Planetary nebulae are caused by superwind (dM/dt~10⁻⁵ M☉/yr)? $\log \dot{M} = -5.65 + 1.05 \log \left(\frac{L}{10^5 L_{\odot}}\right) - 6.3 \log \left(\frac{T_{\rm eff}}{3500 \rm K}\right) \qquad [M_{\odot} \rm yr^{-1}]$ Mass loss from O-rich AGB stars (van Loon+05)

Summary of the events in AGB stars

Karakas+Lattanzio14

Extremely Metal-Poor Stars: Hydrogen Ingestion Into the Helium Flash Convective Zone

Final Fate of Stellar Evolution

- SF10, CL08, L09の どの計算でも水素混 合が起こる境界は似 ている。
- 水素混合が起こる
 [Fe/H]は-2.5--3
- ・Carbon Injection: He層の炭素が水素層 に混入。
- Hot third dredgeup: TDUよりも深い dredge-up。 Herwig03でも報告 されている。

Convective s-process in Extremely Metal-Poor Stars

- He対流層への水素混合によって¹³C(α,n)¹⁶Oが起こり中性子捕獲反応が進行する(Fujimoto+00, Suda+04)
 - ・He core flashの場合のpost-processing (Campbell+10)

Super-AGB Stars

Super-Asymptotic Giant Branch Stars

- ONeMg core: Miyaji+80, Nomoto84, Nomoto87
- Super-AGB: Garcia-Berro+Iben94, Ritossa+96

Recovery of H-burning and thermal pulses

M=10M_•, Z=0.02

Ritossa+96

Summary of SAGB evolution

Key parameters for the evolution of SAGB stars

Mup

the minimum initial mass required to ignite carbon.

Mn

the minimum initial mass that forms a neutron star resulting from an electron-capture supernovae.

Mmas

the minimum initial mass that forms an iron core-collapse supernovae.

λ : Dredge-up parameter

defined by "dredge-up mass by the 3rd dredge-up" / "mass of the growth of core mass during the interpulse phase". If $\lambda > 1$, core will decrease with time.

Metallicity dependence of Mup, Mn, and Mmas

Evolution to C-burning phase

AGB models of low-metallicity stars

Hot bottom burning and the effect of opacity

Tashibu+17

Dredge-up parameters

s-process in SAGB stars

Stellar models from Doherty+14a,b ☆ Nuclear network from Lugaro+14 (324 species) \approx neutron source by ²²Ne $\approx N_{n} \sim 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ $\approx \tau \sim 0.04 \text{ mbarn}^{-1}$ \approx production of Kr (Z=36), Rb (37), and light sprocess elements (Sr: 38, Y: 39, Zr:40) weak Fe dependence due to small τ \approx small amount due to small convective shells (5x10-4 M⊙)

Figure 10. Heavy element nucleosynthesis yields for super-AGB stars for a range of metallicities (in [X/Fe]) all scaled to the solar abundances of Asplund et al. (2009). The breaks in the distribution are for the elements Tc (Z = 43) and Pm (Z = 61) which have no stable isotopes. The shaded regions represent the elements used to represent the three s-process peaks *ls*, *hs*, and Pb. The maximum production is for the element Rb (Z = 37).

Doherty+17

 M_c (He-core mass) ~ 1.15 M $_{\odot}$, t_{int} (duration of thermal pulses) ~ 6x10⁴ yr, N_{pulse} (number of thermal pulses) ~ 100

Dredge-out in SAGB stars

- Envelope is enriched in CNO elements.
 (Ritossa+99)
- Proton ingestion into He- and C-rich region produces a substantial number of free neutrons by ¹³C(a,n)¹⁶O.

Dredge-out

s-process by dredge-out events

- neutron density, $Nn = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
 - intermediate n-capture regime (known as 'i-process')
 - no calculated yields: 3D simulations, cross sections, etc.
- possible origin of CEMP-s/r (Jones+16)
 - concern is the small intershell mass (~10⁻⁴ M_☉), even repeated exposure and dredge-up events may not lead to overabundances.
- rejected based on an IMF argument, the relatively few SAGB stars seem unlikely to be a major source of pollution of the CEMP-s/r stars (Abate+16).

Summary - 4 s-process channels

1. radiative 13C burning

- "standard" s-process contributed by low-mass AGB stars.
- 2. convective ²²Ne burning
 - small contribution to s-process elements by high-mass AGB and SAGB stars.
- 3. convective ¹³C burning by H-ingestion
 - large contribution to s-process elements by low-mass lowmetallicity AGB stars.
- 4. convective ¹³C burning by C dredge-out
 - potentially large contribution to s-process elements by SAGB stars.

AGB / Super-AGB Stars at Low-Metallicity

Occurrence of SN I1/2

- At low metallicity, He burns in a steady state.
 - No pulse-driven stellar winds are expected.
 - Core mass will grow to have Chandrasekhar mass limit, which leads to supernova explosions.
- SN I1/2 is a thermonuclear explosion (Type I) with a H emission lines in its spectra (Type II).

Stability of helium shell flashes

F > 0: unstable F < 0: stable Stability of helium shell flashes are mainly controlled by

 $1 \ \epsilon_{\nu} = \left(\frac{\partial \ln \epsilon_n}{\partial \ln T}\right)_o$

temperature dependence of nuclear burning rate

2 f: flatness parameter geometry of He-burning shell, f ~ 0, spherical symmetry, weak flash (f)f ~ 1, strong flash 3 electron degeneracy $P \propto \rho^{5/3}$ complete degeneracy, non-relativistic.

$$\frac{\partial \delta T}{\partial t} = \frac{\varepsilon_r}{c_P T} F \delta T, \qquad (7)$$

$$\varepsilon_r \equiv \frac{ac}{3} \frac{T^4}{\kappa H_P^2 \rho^2},\tag{8}$$

(9)

and

$$F = \frac{c_P}{c_{\rm gr}} \left[\underbrace{\varepsilon_{\nu}}_{\varepsilon_r} - \frac{4}{n+1} (4 - \kappa_T) - 4 \right]$$

$$+\frac{\left(\frac{\partial \ln \rho}{\partial \ln T}\right)_{P}\left[(\varepsilon_{N})_{\eta}/(\varepsilon_{r})+4/(n+1)(\kappa_{\rho}+2\alpha)\right]}{1-\alpha(\partial \ln \rho/\partial \ln P)_{s}}$$

Fujimoto+82

$$[V, N]^{-1} \equiv (N+1) \left(1 - \frac{N+1}{V} \right)^{N-3} \left(\frac{V}{N+1} \right)^{N+1} B_{(N+1)/V}(N+1, 3-N) , \quad (7)$$

$$P_2^* \equiv P_2/f (V_{2e}, N_{2e}) = P_2^{(0)} / f (V_{2e}^{(0)}, N_{2e}^{(0)}) , \quad (30)$$

Sugimoto+Fujimoto78

See also Schwarzschild+Harm65, Sackmann77, Yoon+04

End of thermal pulses

Suppression of Mass Loss during the AGB Phase

1.5M_o, [Fe/H]=-0.6

1.5M_o, [Fe/H]=-4.2

6M_o, [Fe/H]=-4.2

Growth of pulsations during the thermal pulses on the AGB phase

Luminosity is increased from 11,000 Lo to 13,000 Lo.

Luminosity is taken for maximum possible value for an AGB star that is not undergoing HBB.