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Warm Dense Matter and the Interior of (Solar and Extrasolar) Giant Planets





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Solar system: Eight planets*



*IAU Meeting Prague 24.08.2006: Pluto is considered as "Dwarf Planet"

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Brown Dwarfs with $13M_J < M_{BD} < 75M_J$ White Dwarfs (final state of >95% of all stars)



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Exoplanets – strange new worlds



Semi-Major Axis [Astronomical Units (AU)]

Exoplanets – probe the n-T plane



(Super) Earth(s) - mineralogy at the extreme



Planetary physics – fundamental problems

What is the composition of planets?

- \rightarrow planetary materials and element abundancies
- \rightarrow H, He (gases) C-N-O (ices) Fe-Si-Mg-O-S (rocks)
- \rightarrow gas giants (J, S) ice giants (U, N) rocky planets (Me, V, E, Ma)

What is the structure of planets?

- \rightarrow various layers but how many?
- \rightarrow Composition of the layers? Origin and stability of the layer boundaries?
- \rightarrow Do they have a (solid) core? Of what size is it (has it to be)?

How do planets form and develop?

- \rightarrow Via core accretion or gravitational instability?
- \rightarrow Cooling behavior and age? \rightarrow accurate M-R[P(r),T(r));t] relations needed!
- → Radiation transport and sources of internal (excess) luminosity?

Can we understand the diversity of their magnetic fields?

- → Dynamo simulations: solve magnetohydrodynamic equations
- \rightarrow Magnetization processes and magnetic materials
- \rightarrow material properties (thermal coefficients, conductivities, viscosity)

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Planetary physics – fundamental problems



Assume an interior structure for solar GPs: Standard three-layer model



Interior structure models of this type are uniquely defined by the observables, except P_{12} .

See e.g. D.J. Stevenson (1982), T. Guillot (1999), N. Nettelmann et al. (2008, 2012)

Determine the interior structure for solar GPs: Standard three-layer model



Interior structure models of this type are uniquely defined by the observables, except P_{12} . Accurate EOS data for warm dense H, He and the representative of metals (H₂O) is the most important input.

See e.g. D.J. Stevenson (1982), T. Guillot (1999), N. Nettelmann et al. (2008, 2012)

Progress in interior modeling: Further input and constraints



Basic equations for planetary modeling

mass conservation:

hydrostatic equation of motion:

$$\frac{1}{\rho}\frac{dP}{dr} = \frac{dU}{dr} , \qquad U = V + Q$$

 $dm = 4\pi r^2 \rho(r) dr$

gravitational potential:

$$V(\vec{r}) = -G \int_{V_0} d^3 r' \frac{\rho(r')}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|}$$

expansion into Legendre polynomials:

gravitational moments:

$$V(r,\theta) = -\frac{GM}{r(\theta)} \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{R_{eq}}{r(\theta)} \right)^{2i} J_{2i} P_{2i} \left(\cos \theta \right) \right)$$
$$J_{2i} = -\frac{1}{MR_{eq}^{2i}} \int d^3r' \rho(r'(\theta')) r'^{2i} P_{2i} (\cos \theta')$$

Calculations via theory of figures (Zharkov & Trubitsyn) with boundary conditions $M_p(R_p)$, Y_1 , \bar{Y} , P and T at 1 bar. Mass distribution along (piecewise) isentropes according to ab initio EOS data for a H-He-H₂O mixture (LM-REOS).

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Ab initio MD (AIMD) simulations

Born-Oppenheimer approximation: combination of (quantum) DFT and (classical) MD
Warm Dense Matter: finite-temperature DFT-MD simulations based on
N.D. Mermin, Phys. Rev. 137, A1441 (1965)
Implemented e.g. in the Vienna Ab-initio Simulation Package (VASP)
G. Kresse and J. Hafner, PRB 47, 558 (1993), ibid. 49, 14251 (1994)
G. Kresse and J. Furthmüller, Comput. Mat. Sci. 6, 15 (1996), PRB 54, 11169 (1996)



H-He (8.6%) @ 1 Mbar, 4000 K

box length ~ 10^{-9} m



high-pressure phase diagram pair correlation functions electrical & thermal conductivity diffusion coefficient viscosity, opacity



Some details of the AIMD simulations

VASP: G. Kresse et al., Phys. Rev. B 47, 558 (1993)

- VASP uses plane wave basis sets, energy cut-off at about 1 keV
- Exchange-correlation functional: usually GGA [1], some HSE [2]
- PAW pseudo-potentials [3]: 1 e/H, 2 e/He, 6(8) e/O
- Ion temperature control by Nosé thermostat [4]
- Evaluation of electronic states in BZ at (few) special points (EOS)
- Higher k-point sets are needed for σ , 10-20 snapshots
- N \leq 2000 electrons in a box of volume V at temperature T
- Simulation time: up to 20 ps with several 10^3 - 10^4 time steps
- Check convergence with respect to E_{cut} , k-points, N, $\Delta t \dots$
- Rostock Group: Martin French, Winfried Lorenzen, Andreas Becker, Kai-Uwe Plagemann, Mandy Bethkenhagen, Daniel Cebulla

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H phase diagram at high pressure



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H phase diagram and GPs

1st-order phase transition relevant for Jupiter & Saturn?
 PPT predicted by chemical models extends to much higher temperatures!

 → reason for a boundary between two fluid envelopes?
 → locate the conducting zone in gas giants (σ along radius)
 → input into dynamo simulations (magnetic field structure)



Experimental verification? Location of the PPT in H-He?

H-He and thermal evolution of GPs



Formation out of the protosolar cloud:

- 1. Same age of 4.5x10⁹ a
- 2. Similar composition/abundance, especially He-H ratio of Y=27.5%

Facts:

- Evolution models yield correct age of Jupiter but too young Saturn with about 2.5x10⁹ a – additional internal heat source: He rain?
- 2. He is depleted in the outer layer of Jupiter (~23%) and Saturn (~18%)!

H-He demixing at high pressure?

D.J. Stevenson, E.B. Salpeter 1977 J.J. Fortney, W.B. Hubbard, 2003 W. Lorenzen et al., 2009, 2011: AIMD M.A. Morales et al., 2009: AIMD

H-He demixing in GPs

Relevant for Jupiter (?) and Saturn (!)

Calculation of modified cooling curves: in progress.

May yield stable stratification \rightarrow thus **B** field perfectly axisymmetric?



Similar results by M.A. Morales et al., PNAS 106, 1324 (2009) based on DFT-MD.

Water phase diagram at ultra-high pressures



Relevant for the interiors of Neptune (black) and Uranus (white)

... and superionic water at 7 g/cm³ and 6000 K



EOS and phase diagram: M. French et al., PRB **79**, 054107 (2009), Transport properties (diffusion, conductivity): M. French et al., PRB **82**, 174108 (2010)

see also C. Cavazzoni et al., Science **283**, 44 (1999), T.R. Mattsson, M.P. Desjarlais, PRL **97**, 017801 (2006), E. Schwegler et al., PNAS **105**, 14779 (2008)



H2O: AIMD results and new Z experiments

M.D. Knudson et al., PRL 108, 091102 (2012)



Excellent agreement – AIMD high-pressure EOS for water will be used for icy planets!

Dynamic (optical) conductivity via AIMD

- Dynamic conductivity $\sigma(\omega) = \sigma_1(\omega) + i\sigma_2(\omega)$
- Kubo-Greenwood formula:

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{2\pi e^2 \hbar^2}{3m^2 \omega \Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{k}}^{N} W(\mathbf{k}) \sum_{j=1}^{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{3} \left[F(\epsilon_{i,\mathbf{k}}) - F(\epsilon_{j,\mathbf{k}}) \right] \\ \times |\langle \Psi_{j,\mathbf{k}} | \nabla_{\alpha} | \Psi_{i,\mathbf{k}} \rangle|^2 \delta(\epsilon_{j,\mathbf{k}} - \epsilon_{i,\mathbf{k}} - \hbar \omega),$$

• Dielectric function:

$$\varepsilon(\omega) = \varepsilon_1(\omega) + i\varepsilon_2(\omega) = 1 - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_0 \omega} \sigma_2(\omega) + i \frac{1}{\varepsilon_0 \omega} \sigma_1(\omega)$$

• Kramers-Kronig relation:

Index of refraction:

$$\sigma_2(\omega) = \frac{2}{\pi} P \int \frac{\sigma_1(v)\omega}{\left(v^2 - \omega^2\right)} dv$$

$$\varepsilon(\omega) = \varepsilon_1(\omega) + i\varepsilon_2(\omega) = [n(\omega) + ik(\omega)]^2$$

See M.P. Desjarlais, J.D. Kress, L.A. Collins, PRE 66, 025401(R) (2002)



B. Holst, M. French, R. Redmer, Phys. Rev. B 83, 235120 (2011)

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Density, pressure and temperature along Jupiter's isentrope.

Jupiter – EOS predictions

(N. Nettelmann)

Core mass and mass of metals in the envelope for different EOS as labeled



Material properties along Jupiter`s isentrope

M. French et al. (2012): self-consistent set of *ab initio* EOS and material data that can now be used for planetary modeling (interior, dynamo, evolution)



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Electrical conductivity σ and magnetic diffusivity along Jupiter`s isentrope.

Solid: electronic, dotted: ionic.

 $\kappa = \lambda / (\rho c_p)$

Interior of Neptune and Uranus



Independent **dynamo models** reproduce the non-dipolar and nonaxisymmetric magnetic fields of N and U by assuming a rather thin conducting shell (yellow) and a central region (magenta) that is stable against convection but of similar conductivity (here: superionic!): S. Stanley and J. Bloxham, Nature **428**, 151 (2004).

Constraints for modeling GPs (observables)

(N. Nettelmann)

Observable	Solar Giant Planets	Extrasolar Giant Planets
Mass M _p	14.5 – 318 M _{Earth}	✓ (RV & Transit)
Radius R _p	equatorial radius R _{eq}	mean R (Transit)
Pressure P (R _p)	1 bar	1 mbar
T (R _p)	70 - 170 K	500 - 2000 K
mean helium mass fraction Y	0.27 (solar)	0.25 - 0.28
atmospheric He mass fraction Y ₁	≤ 0.27	$Y_1 = Y$
atmospheric metallicity Z ₁	\geq 2 x solar	spectroscopy
period of rotation ω	9 – 17 h	$\omega \approx \text{ orbital period (days)}$
gravitational moments J _{2n}	J ₂ , J ₄ , J ₆	-
Love number k ₂	-	k₂ (e, TTV)
age	4.56 Gyr	0.3 – 10 Gyr
T _{eff}	60 - 120 K	model atm. grid / imaging

Hot Neptune GJ 436b

Mass-radius relation for transiting planets known (plus radial velocity method)

	Neptune	GJ 436b
mass [M $_{\oplus}$]	17.13	22.6 ± 9%
radius [R_{\oplus}]	3.86	3.95 ± 9%
surface temperatur [K]	70 (at 1 bar)	520 (T _e) – 720 (8 Om)
semi major axis [AU]	30	0.03
period	165 years	2.64 days

Host star is M Dwarf with T_{eff}=3350 K and M=0.44 M_{Sun}, 33 Ly away (Leo) H.L. Maness et al., PASP **119**, 90 (2007)

Observational parameters: M. Gillon et al., A&A **471**, L51 (2007), B.-O. Demory et al., A&A **475**, 1125 (2007)



GJ 436b: Water or rocky planet?

N. Nettelmann et al., A&A 523, A26 (2010)

Structure calculations limit the H/He mass fraction down to 1 - 12% M_p.



CONCLUSION: Models with M_{core} ~ 0.7 M_p are consistent with all constraints.

Summary

- Large scale AIMD simulations are performed for WDM
 - \rightarrow agreement with available shock wave experiments
 - \rightarrow predict high-pressure phase diagram of matter (H,He,H₂O)
 - \rightarrow nonmetal-to-metal and 1st-order phase transition (H)
 - \rightarrow demixing phenomena at high pressures (H-He, H-H₂O ...)
 - \rightarrow superionic water (NH₃?)
 - \rightarrow experimental verification
- Modeling planets based on AIMD EOS and material data
 - \rightarrow develop new and advanced planetary models
 - \rightarrow structure, composition, evolution of solar/extrasolar planets
 - \rightarrow gas giants ice giants Super Earths
 - \rightarrow diversity of magnetic fields
 - \rightarrow structure and evolution of planetary systems

Outlook warm dense matter

- Laboratory experiments are increasingly capable of driving matter to extreme conditions: NIF (lasers), Z, FELs ...
- Simulations based on first-principles techniques are in very good agreement with high-pressure data (predictive)
- Some key issues:
 - → finite-temperature DFT functionals
 - \rightarrow orbital-free DFT for high temperatures F. Lambert, J. Kress
 - \rightarrow electron dynamics via TD-DFT (optics and transport)
 - \rightarrow treatment of non-equilibrium states
 - → quantum Monte Carlo methods
 - \rightarrow develop new (and renew existing) computational methods