Compact Stars

via Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics

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Outline

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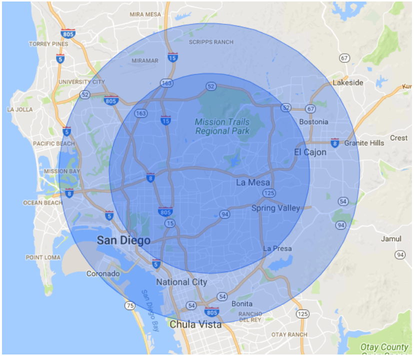


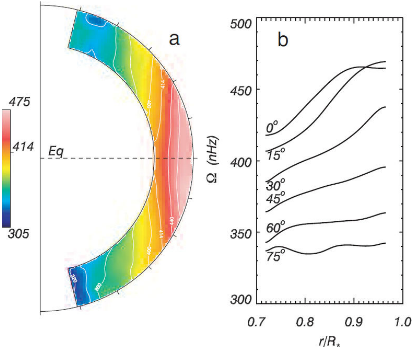
A neutron star the size of San Diego
Thanks to: Google Maps and obeattie.github.io

(Differential) Rotation

- Rotation in Compact Objects
- Differential Rotation AKA Rotating w.r.t. Rotation

$$j(\Omega) = A^2(\Omega_c - \Omega)$$
$$\frac{\Omega}{\Omega_c} = \frac{A^2}{A^2 + r^2 sin^2\theta}$$
$$A = aR_{\text{star}}$$

Muller and Eriguchi (1985)



Differential Rotation of the Sun (Brun et. al. 2004)

Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics

SPH: What is it? How does it work? Let's find out!

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- SPH Mathematics: the Basics

$$\mathcal{L}_{sph} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i [\frac{1}{2} v_i^2 - u(\rho_i)]$$

$$A(r) = \int A(r')W(r - r', h)dr' \rightarrow A(r) = \sum_b m_b \frac{A_b}{\rho_b} W(r - r_b, h)$$

The Smoothing Kernel W

$$W = \frac{1}{\pi h^2} e^{-\frac{|r|^2}{2h^2}}; \quad W_{ij} = W(|r_i - r_j|; h)$$

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- Other considerations include:

$$\Pi_{ij},\ h \to h(i),\ \text{and damping}$$

Implementation

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or: How I learned to Stop Doing Everything at Once

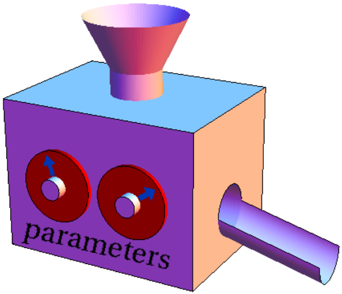
Initial Conditions and Parameters

- Spatial Discretization? Grid/Mesh? Boundaries?
- Initial Conditions: x, v, u, ρ
- Equation of State - Polytropic (simple)
- Parameters: k, ν, λ, a

$$P = k\rho^2$$

$$a_i = -nuv_i - \lambda x_i - a_{i,v1}$$

Monaghan and Price (2004)

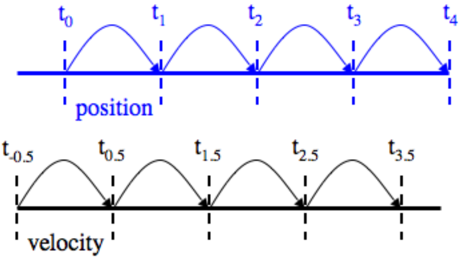


Nykamp DQ, Function machine parameters. From Math Insight.

Leapfrogging

- Leapfrogging Through Time

$$v_{n+\frac{1}{2}} = v_{n-\frac{1}{2}} + a_n \Delta t$$
$$x_{n+1} = \Delta t v_{n+\frac{1}{2}} + x_n$$

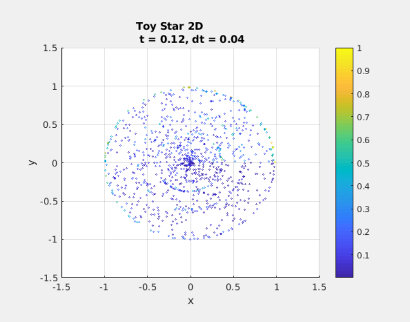


Leapfrogging for position and velocity

Results

Normalized x, y, Energy/time:

- Without rotation (of any kind)
- Without differential rotation
- With both kinds of rotation



Conclusions and Extensions

- Energy and (Angular) Momentum Conservation.
- Boundary Conditions and the extent of usefulness of the 'toy' model.
- Better approximation to self-gravity and relativistic approaches.
- Extending to 3D.

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