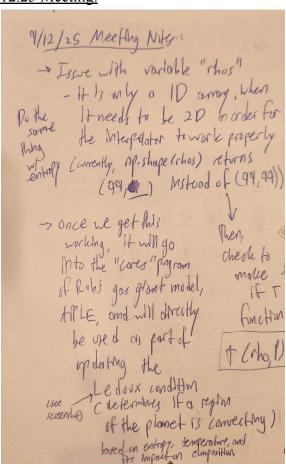
## **SRP III - Project Journal**

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### I. 9.13-10.8.2025 Entry: Mending Rho/Entropy List Errors:

A. Notes on 9.12.25 Meeting:



## B. Fixing 2D Rho & Entropy Array Creation:

- 1. Goal: At the moment, as we discussed during our most recent meeting, the way in which the program reads the EoS table produces a 1D array for densities of iron, when it should create and fill a 2D array.
  - a) In doing so, I took the opportunity to replace the current function, CloughTocher2D interpolator, with a regular grid interpolator (RGI), as that would allow for greater efficiency and produce the desired 2D arrays for rho and for entropy (ideally).
- 2. Re-coding the parse\_eos\_table(filename) function for RGIs and 2D rho and entropy arrays resulted in the following:

```
def parse_eos_table(filename):
          pattern = re.compile(
                     r"rho (g/cc) = \s^{([\d.]+) \s^{([\d.]+)} s^{([\d.]+)} = \s^{([\d.]+)} "r"rho (g/cc) = \s^{([\d.]+) \s^{([\d.]+)} "r"rho (g/cc) = \s^{([\d.]+) \s^{([\d.]+)} "r"rho (g/cc) = \s^{([\d.]+) \s^{([\d.]+)} s^{([\d.]+)} = \s^{([\d.]+) \s^{([\d.]+)} "r"rho (g/cc) = \s^{([\d.]+) \s^{([\d.]+)} s^{([\d.]+)} = \s^{([\d.]+) \s^{([\d.]+) \s^{([\d.]+) \s^{([\d.]+)} s^{([\d.]+)} = \s^{([\d.]+) \s^{
          data = []
          with open(filename, "r") as f:
                    for line in f:
                              match = pattern.search(line)
                              if match:
                                         rho, T, P, S = map(float, match.groups())
                                         data.append((P, T, rho, S))
          # Convert to DataFrame for sorting and reshaping
          df = pd.DataFrame(data, columns=["P", "T", "rho", "S"]).sort_values(["P", "T"])
          pressures unique = np.sort(df["P"].unique())
          temps_unique = np.sort(df["T"].unique())
          nP, nT = len(pressures_unique), len(temps_unique)
          if nP * nT != len(df):
                    print("[Warning] The EoS data is not a perfect rectangular grid - filling missing cells with NaN.")
                    # Use pivot with reindex to handle missing points safely
                    rho_df = df.pivot(index="P", columns="T", values="rho").reindex(index=pressures_unique, columns=temps_unique)
                    S_df = df.pivot(index="P", columns="T", values="S").reindex(index=pressures_unique, columns=temps_unique)
                    rho_grid = rho_df.to_numpy()
                    S_grid = S_df.to_numpy()
          else:
                    rho_grid = df.pivot(index="P", columns="T", values="rho").to_numpy()
                    S_grid = df.pivot(index="P", columns="T", values="S").to_numpy()
          return pressures_unique, temps_unique, rho_grid, S_grid
```

3. Making this change also meant that I had to modify my build interpolators function with the new variables (updated to indicate shape) and the RGI component functions:

```
def build_RGI_interpolator(pressures_unique, temps_unique, rho_grid, S_grid):
    """
    Build RegularGridInterpolators from 2D EoS tables.
    """
    rho_interp = rgi((pressures_unique, temps_unique), rho_grid, bounds_error=False, fill_value=None)
    S_interp = rgi((pressures_unique, temps_unique), S_grid, bounds_error=False, fill_value=None)
    return rho_interp, S_interp
```

4. Once I implemented these modifications, I no longer got a 1D array for the shape of rhos (now rhos\_grid); instead, I got (99, 21) and an error indicating that because the EoS table is not a perfect rectangular grid, I

was not able to get a clear density and entropy value for T = 20000 K and P = 4000 GPa (which I verified are within the ranges found last time).

- a) To fix this, I further modified the parse\_eos function to resample the (99, 21) grid to a regular (99, 99) grid, which fixed the NaN error the code was returning when I requested density and entropy at T = 20000 K and P = 4000 GPa.
  - (1) To do so, I brought back the CloughTocher2D interpolator code and utilized that on the raw data as part of the new build RGI function (see below):

```
def build_RGI_interpolator(pressures, temps, rhos, entropies, nP=99, nT=99, fill_value=None):
    Build RegularGridInterpolators for rho(P.T) and S(P.T).
    automatically resampling the scattered EoS data onto
    a uniform (nP \times nT) rectangular grid.
    pressures, temps : 1D arrays
       Raw EoS pressure [GPa] and temperature [K] data.
    rhos, entropies : 1D arrays
        Corresponding density [g/cc] and entropy [kB/atom] data.
   nP, nT : int
       Desired grid resolution in pressure and temperature.
    fill value : float or Non-
       Value to use for extrapolation (default None → extrapolate).
    rho_interp, s_interp : RegularGridInterpolator objects
         Interpolators for rho(P,T) and S(P,T).
    P_grid, T_grid : 1D arrays
       Uniform pressure and temperature grids used for interpolation.
    rho_grid, S_grid : 2D arrays
        Rectangular 2D data arrays used to build the interpolators.
    #Define uniform grid ranges based on data
    P min, P max = np.min(pressures), np.max(pressures)
    T_min, T_max = np.min(temps), np.max(temps)
    P_grid = np.linspace(P_min, P_max, nP)
    T_grid = np.linspace(T_min, T_max, nT)
    PP, TT = np.meshgrid(P_grid, T_grid, indexing='ij')
    #Build smooth scattered interpolators for rho and S
    rho scattered = CloughTocher2DInterpolator(
        np.column_stack([pressures, temps]), rhos
   S scattered = CloughTocher2DInterpolator(
       np.column stack([pressures, temps]), entropies
    #Evaluate these on the regular grid
    rho grid = rho scattered(PP, TT)
    S_grid = S_scattered(PP, TT)
    #Fill any NaNs (at edges or sparse regions)
    if np.isnan(rho_grid).any():
       mean rho = np.nanmean(rho grid)
        rho_grid = np.where(np.isnan(rho_grid), mean_rho, rho_grid)
        print(f"[Info] Filled {np.isnan(rho_grid).sum()} NaN cells in rho grid.")
    if np.isnan(S_grid).any():
         mean_S = np.nanmean(S_grid)
        S_grid = np.where(np.isnan(S_grid), mean_S, S_grid)
        print(f"[Info] Filled {np.isnan(S_grid).sum()} NaN cells in S grid.")
    #Build RegularGridInternolators
    rho interp = RegularGridInterpolator(
        (P_grid, T_grid), rho_grid, bounds_error=False, fill_value=fill_value
    s interp = RegularGridInterpolator(
        (P_grid, T_grid), S_grid, bounds_error=False, fill_value=fill_value
    print(f"[Success] \ Built \ RegularGridInterpolators \ on \ \{nP\}x\{nT\} \ grid.")
    print(f"p grid shape: {rho_grid.shape}, S grid shape: {S_grid.shape}")
    return rho_interp, s_interp, P_grid, T_grid, rho_grid, S_grid
```

- (2) After that, I applied the RG interpolators and was able to get a 2D rho array and a 2D entropy array with shape (99, 99).
- (3) I tested it with the following code:

```
# 10/6/25 2D Rho & S Array Testing:

print("Rho grid shape:", rho_grid.shape)

print("S grid shape:", S_grid.shape)

print("Rho NaN count:", np.isnan(rho_grid).sum())

P_test, T_test = 4000, 20000

print("Rho =", rho_interp((P_test, T_test)), "g/cc")

print("S =", S_interp((P_test, T_test)), "kB/atom")
```

5. After some minor debugging, cleaning the code of *SyntaxError: invalid non-printable character U+00A0* using the script contained in the lower cell of the 2.1 version of the program on Jupyter (and seen in the screenshot below),

```
infile = "GonzalesIron_EoS_Tests.LaMons2.1.Solid.ipynb"  # change to your filename
outfile = "GonzalesIron_EoS_Tests.LaMons2.1.Solid_clean.ipynb"

with open(infile, "r", encoding="utf-8") as f:
    text = f.read()

# Remove ALL invisible or non-printable Unicode chars (except tabs and newlines)
text_clean = re.sub(r"[^\S\n\t]|[\u200B-\u200F\u2002A-\u2002E\u2060\uFEFF]", " ", text)

with open(outfile, "w", encoding="utf-8") as f:
    f.write(text_clean)

print(f"  Cleaned and saved to: {outfile}")
```

6. ...and changing some variable names, the code ran completely without errors and returned the following results (which is what we wanted!):

```
[Info] Filled 0 NaN cells in rho grid.
[Info] Filled 0 NaN cells in S grid.
[Success] Built RegularGridInterpolators on 99x99 grid.
p grid shape: (99, 99), S grid shape: (99, 99)
Rho grid shape: (99, 99)
S grid shape: (99, 99)
Rho NaN count: 0
Rho = 27.61305631052566 g/cc
S = 11.762255804195782 kB/atom
```

# II. 10.9-10.24.25 Entry: Testing T(S, P) Function, Researching the Ledoux Criterion, & Addressing Continued Interpolator Issues:

## A. Notes on 10.8.25 Meeting:

- 1. At present, there is still a slight issue with the way the interpolators are functioning, causing some NaNs and errors to occur when one attempts to use them. To remedy this, I am going to re-write the interpolation portion of my code to use the interp1D SciPy function so that I can break down the process into smaller steps that we can then troubleshoot individually in order to better solve any issues that continue / arise.
- 2. In addition, I am continuing work on my temperature as a function of entropy and pressure [T(S, P)] program, as that is necessary to determine if convection is occurring at any given time.

#### B. Creating the T(S, P) function & looking into the Ledoux criterion:

- 1. In order to check when the Ledoux criterion is satisfied, we need to be able to find what the temperature is given certain entropy and pressure values.
- 2. In order to fully understand the goal of this segment of the project, I researched the Ledoux Criterion, finding that it is a principle which determines the "stability of a stellar layer against convection." Here, I am applying it for a core of a mixture of liquid and solid iron, but the principle remains the same. Specifically, it applies for regions of varying chemical composition, which works here due to the fact that I will ultimately combine the work with the iron EoS tables that I have been doing with a model of different phases of other rocks. The regions between those different rocks and the iron core could potentially convect, changing the magnet
- 3. Thus, I wrote the following T(S, P) function:
  - a) def T\_of\_SP(P\_target, S\_target, s\_interp, T\_bounds=(1000, 50000)):
  - b) """
  - c) Compute temperature T given pressure P and entropy S using the EOS interpolator.
  - d)
  - e) Parameters
  - f) -----
  - g) P target: float

```
Pressure in GPa.
h)
      S_target : float
i)
         Entropy (kB/baryon).
i)
      s interp: RegularGridInterpolator
k)
1)
         Interpolator giving S(P, T).
      T bounds: tuple, optional
m)
         Lower and upper temperature bounds (K) for the root finder.
n)
0)
p)
      Returns
q)
      float
r)
         Temperature (K) where S(P, T) = S target.
s)
         Returns np.nan if no valid solution found in bounds.
t)
u)
      T min, T max = T bounds
v)
w)
      # Define the residual function
x)
      def f T(T):
y)
         return s interp((P target, T)) - S target
z)
aa)
      # Check that the entropy actually crosses the target within the
bb)
   bounds
cc)
      try:
dd)
        f lo, f hi = f T(T min), f T(T max)
        if np.isnan(f lo) or np.isnan(f hi) or f lo * f hi > 0:
ee)
           # No sign change or invalid range
ff)
           return np.nan
gg)
hh)
        T sol = brentq(f T, T min, T max, xtol=1e-3)
ii)
        return T sol
jj)
kk)
11)
      except ValueError:
mm)
            return np.nan
```

4. When I tested this, I encountered some small errors with syntax of functions and of variables, as well as one issue with how the brentq function is implemented within the above code.