

# Chemical Potentials Updated Notes

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## Abstract

Hopefully found an expression for

$$\frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial x_j} \tag{1}$$

where  $\mu_i$  is the chemical potential for baryon  $i$  and  $x_j$  is a dependent variable (in our case:  $n_B, x_e, x_\Lambda$ , baryon density, electron fraction, and Lambda fraction respectively). Expression is given in Section 3.5 and in summary. Calculation with details is performed in Section 3.

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# 1 NPE- $\Lambda$ Sound Speed Difference

First, we follow the same main steps outlined in the PJ-PRD Paper to arrive at the sound speed difference expression.

1. We begin with the speed-of-sound difference

$$c_s^2 - c_e^2 = \frac{1}{\mu_{avg}} \frac{\partial P}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x,y,z} - \frac{1}{\mu_n} \frac{dP}{dn_B} \quad (2)$$

where  $\mu_{avg}$  is given by

$$\mu_{avg} = \frac{\sum_i \mu_i n_i}{n_B} = \sum_i \mu_i x_i \quad (3)$$

2. First, we need to choose our independent variables in this case. Below we will refer to these independent variables as  $x_j$ .

- Baryon density:  $n_B$
- Electron Fraction:  $x_e = n_e/n_B$
- Lambda Fraction:  $x_\Lambda = n_\Lambda/n_B$

Then the dependent variables are

- Proton fraction:  $x_e$  which in this simple case is equal to  $x_p$
- Neutron fraction:  $x_n$  which in this case is equal to  $x_n = 1 - x_p - x_\Lambda$

These are found by enforcing baryon number conservation and electric charge neutrality. Note: we need the neutron fraction to be a dependent variable for the  $\mu_n - \mu_{avg}$  step to yield the correct  $\tilde{\mu}_i$ . This also comes from the step where we consider  $\varepsilon + p$  which yields the generalized sound speed difference expression in terms of the neutron chemical potential  $1/\mu_n$

$$\varepsilon + p = \sum_i \mu_i n_i = \mu_n n_n + \mu_p n_p + \mu_e n_e + \mu_\Lambda n_\Lambda \quad (4)$$

$$= \mu_n (n_B - n_p - n_\Lambda) + \mu_p n_p + \mu_e n_e + \mu_\Lambda n_\Lambda \quad (5)$$

$$= \mu_n n_B + (\mu_p + \mu_e - \mu_n) n_p + (\mu_\Lambda - \mu_n) n_\Lambda \quad (6)$$

$$= \mu_n n_B \quad \text{in beta equilibrium} \quad (7)$$

(Similar to eqn. 35 in PJ-PRD)

3. Having chosen our independent and dependent variables, we can consider the expression for the total derivative of the pressure  $P$  with respect to baryon density  $n_B$  (this appears in the last term in the expression for the sound speed difference expression).

$$\frac{dP}{dn_B} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_n} \Big|_{n_B, x_\Lambda} \frac{dx_e}{dn_B} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_\Lambda} \Big|_{n_B, x_e} \frac{dx_\Lambda}{dn_B} \quad (8)$$

and insert this into the last term of the speed-of-sound difference expression.

$$c_s^2 - c_e^2 = \frac{1}{\mu_{avg}} \frac{\partial P}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} - \frac{1}{\mu_n} \left[ \frac{\partial P}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_e} \Big|_{n_B, x_\Lambda} \frac{dx_e}{dn_B} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_\Lambda} \Big|_{n_B, x_e} \frac{dx_\Lambda}{dn_B} \right] \quad (9)$$

4. Next, we can collect into the first term the  $\partial P/\partial n_B$  terms which yields a  $\mu_n - \mu_{avg}$  expression.

$$c_s^2 - c_e^2 = \left( \frac{\mu_n - \mu_{avg}}{\mu_{avg} \mu_n} \right) \frac{\partial P}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} - \frac{1}{\mu_n} \left[ \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_e} \Big|_{n_B, x_\Lambda} \frac{dx_e}{dn_B} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_\Lambda} \Big|_{n_B, x_e} \frac{dx_\Lambda}{dn_B} \right] \quad (10)$$

5. We can now deal with the  $\mu_n - \mu_{avg}$  term. In this case, we have in the first line the definition. In the second line, we re-write the dependent fractions in terms of the independent fractions.

$$\mu_{avg} = \mu_n x_n + \mu_p x_p + \mu_\Lambda x_\Lambda + \mu_e x_e \quad (11)$$

$$= \mu_n(1 - x_e - x_\Lambda) + \mu_p x_e + \mu_\Lambda x_\Lambda + \mu_e x_e \quad (12)$$

Next, we can calculate  $\mu_n - \mu_{avg}$  and collect terms in like fractions which yields combinations of chemical potentials.

$$\mu_n - \mu_{avg} = \mu_n - \mu_n + x_e(\mu_p + \mu_e - \mu_n) + x_\Lambda(\mu_\Lambda - \mu_n) \quad (13)$$

$$= -x_e \tilde{\mu}_{x_e} - x_\Lambda \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda} \quad (14)$$

with

$$\tilde{\mu}_{x_e} = \mu_n - \mu_p - \mu_e \quad (15)$$

$$\tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda} = \mu_n - \mu_\Lambda \quad (16)$$

We see that in this case, the  $\tilde{\mu}_i$  are combinations of chemical potentials that vanish in  $\beta$  equilibrium. We also see that for each independent fraction  $x_j$  (that is, the independent variables minus the baryon density  $n_B$ ) we can associate a  $\tilde{\mu}_j$  so that we can write this as

$$\mu_n - \mu_{avg} = - \sum_i x_i \tilde{\mu}_i \quad i \in \text{ind. fractions} \quad (17)$$

6. Next, thinking ahead to  $\beta$ -equilibrium, we can ignore the first term and then just deal with the total derivative terms.

$$c_s^2 - c_e^2 = -\frac{1}{\mu_n} \left[ \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \Big|_{n_B, y} \frac{dx}{dn_B} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} \Big|_{n_B, x} \frac{dy}{dn_B} \right] \quad (18)$$

Then using  $P = n_B^2 \frac{\partial E}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda}$ , we can re-write this sound speed difference as

$$c_s^2 - c_e^2 = -\frac{n_B^2}{\mu_n} \left[ \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} \frac{dx_e}{dn_B} + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} \frac{dx_\Lambda}{dn_B} \right] \quad (19)$$

7. We then can use the fact that in  $\beta$ -equilibrium the total derivative of the  $\tilde{\mu}_i$  chemical potentials vanishes.

$$d\tilde{\mu}_{x_e} = \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} dn_B + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial x_e} \Big|_{n_B, x_\Lambda} dx_e + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial x_\Lambda} \Big|_{n_B, x_e} dx_\Lambda = 0 \quad (20)$$

$$d\tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda} = \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} dn_B + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial x_e} \Big|_{n_B, x_\Lambda} dx_e + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial x_\Lambda} \Big|_{n_B, x_e} dx_\Lambda = 0 \quad (21)$$

We can divide each equation by  $dn_B$  to get expressions in terms of  $dx_e/dn_B$ ,  $dx_\Lambda/dn_B$ .

$$0 = \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial x_e} \Big|_{n_B, x_\Lambda} \frac{dx_e}{dn_B} + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial x_\Lambda} \Big|_{n_B, x_e} \frac{dx_\Lambda}{dn_B} \quad (22)$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial x_e} \Big|_{n_B, x_\Lambda} \frac{dx_e}{dn_B} + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial x_\Lambda} \Big|_{n_B, x_e} \frac{dx_\Lambda}{dn_B} \quad (23)$$

This is a system of linear equations where the  $i$ th equation takes the form

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_i}{\partial n_B} \Big|_{x, y, \dots} + \nabla \tilde{\mu}_i \cdot \frac{dx_i}{dn_B} = 0 \quad (24)$$

for  $x_i$  being an independent fraction and where  $\nabla = [\partial/\partial x_i, \dots]$  is a sort of gradient.

8. For now, taking these two equations we can solve them in Mathematica which gives

$$\frac{dx_e}{dn_B} = \frac{\frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial x_\Lambda} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial n_B} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial x_\Lambda} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial n_B}}{\frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial x_\Lambda} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial x_e} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial x_\Lambda} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial x_e}} \quad (25)$$

$$\frac{dx_\Lambda}{dn_B} = \frac{\frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial x_e} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial n_B} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial x_e} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial n_B}}{\frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial n_B} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial x_e} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial x_e} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial n_B}} \quad (26)$$

To get an analytic expression the form above quickly gets messy as we add more particles. However, to do this numerically should be easy as these are systems of linear equations.

## 2 Calculation of Partial Derivatives of Chemical Potentials

In an RMF-Walecka type model, we have the chemical potential for a Baryon  $i$  given by

$$\mu_i = E_{F_i}^* + \text{Other Meson Contributions} \quad (27)$$

In these sort of Lagrangians, the mesons only interact with baryons but do not mix among themselves. For a concrete example, we have the chemical potential for the  $i$ th Baryon from our given Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_j \bar{\psi}_j (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - \underbrace{(m_j - g_{\sigma j} \sigma)}_{m_j^*} + \gamma_0 \underbrace{(\mu_j - g_{\omega j} \omega_0 - g_{\phi j} \phi_0 - g_{\rho j} \rho_0^a \tau_a)}_{\mu_j^*}) \psi_j \quad (28)$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} m_\sigma^2 \sigma^2 - \frac{b}{3} m_N (g_\sigma \sigma)^3 - \frac{c}{4} (g_\sigma \sigma)^4 \quad (29)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} m_\omega^2 \omega^\mu \omega_\mu \quad (30)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi^\mu \phi_\mu \quad (31)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} m_\rho^2 \rho_a^\mu \rho_\mu^a \quad (32)$$

given by

$$\boxed{\mu_i = \mu_i^* + g_{\omega i} \omega_0 + g_{\phi i} \phi_0 + I_{3B} g_{\rho i} \rho_0 \quad \mu_i^* = \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} \quad (33)$$

We then want to calculate the partial derivatives of these chemical potentials with respect to the independent variables.

$$\frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial x_j} \quad i \in \text{Baryons} \quad j \in \text{Independent Variables} \quad (34)$$

When we apply this to the above chemical potential, we find

$$\frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} + g_{\omega i} \frac{\partial \omega_0}{\partial x_j} + g_{\phi i} \frac{\partial \phi_0}{\partial x_j} + I_{3B} g_{\rho i} \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial x_j} \quad (35)$$

For the  $\omega_0, \phi_0, \rho_0$  fields, we have the mean field equation of motions which take a particularly simple form so these partial derivatives are somewhat “trivial”. The issue is dealing with the first term which involves the  $\sigma$  field which self-couples among other non-trivial couplings.

### 2.1 RMF Equations of Motion

Applying the procedure outlined in Glendenning compact stars, we can re-write these equations of motion in the mean field approximation in terms of the scalar and vector densities  $n_i^s$  and  $n_i$  (the vector density is

the usual density associated with a Fermion). First, we have the equations of motion for the non- $\sigma$  fields given by

$$m_\omega^2 \omega_0 = \sum_i g_{\omega i} n_i \quad n_i = \frac{k_{F_i}^3}{3\pi^2} \quad (36)$$

$$m_\rho^2 \rho_{03} = \sum_i g_\rho I_{3i} n_i \quad (37)$$

$$m_\phi^2 \phi_0 = \sum_i g_\phi n_i \quad (38)$$

and the  $\sigma$  field given by

$$m_\sigma^2 \sigma + \frac{\partial U}{\partial \sigma} = \sum_i g_{\sigma i} n_i^s \quad (39)$$

with the vector density given by

$$n_i^s = \frac{g_{sB}}{2\pi^2} \int_0^{k_{F_i}} \frac{m_i^* k^2}{\sqrt{k^2 + m_i^{*2}}} dk = \frac{m_i^*}{2\pi^2} \left[ k_{F_i} \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} - m_i^{*2} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}}{m_i^*} \right] \quad (40)$$

$$= \frac{m_i^*}{2\pi^2} \left[ k_{F_i} E_{F_i}^* - m_i^{*2} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + E_{F_i}^*}{m_i^*} \right] \quad (41)$$

This last expression is highly coupled.

## 2.2 “Trivial” Partial Derivatives

For the  $\omega_0$ ,  $\rho_0$ ,  $\phi_0$  fields, we can get the partial derivatives in the following manner. We solve for the fields from the equation of motion, re-write the sums in terms of the independent fractions, and then take the partial derivatives. For example, we have for  $\omega_0$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{m_\omega^2} \sum_i g_{\omega i} n_i \quad (42)$$

$$= \frac{1}{m_\omega^2} [g_{\omega N}(n_n + n_p) + g_{\omega H} n_\Lambda] \quad (43)$$

$$= \frac{1}{m_\omega^2} [g_{\omega N} n_B (1 - x_\Lambda) + g_{\omega H} n_B x_\Lambda] \quad (44)$$

where  $g_{\omega N}$  is the  $\omega$ -nucleon coupling and  $g_{\omega H}$  is the  $\omega$ -Hyperon coupling. Having written this in terms of the independent variables, taking the partial derivatives is straightfoward. Repeating this for the other mesons gives us

$$m_\rho^2 \rho_{03} = \sum_i g_\rho I_{3i} n_i = g_\rho \left( \frac{1}{2} n_p - \frac{1}{2} n_n \right) \quad (45)$$

$$= g_\rho \left( \frac{1}{2} n_e - \frac{1}{2} (n_B - n_e - n_\Lambda) \right) \quad (46)$$

$$= g_\rho \left( n_e - \frac{1}{2} n_B + \frac{1}{2} n_\Lambda \right) \quad (47)$$

$$= g_\rho n_B \left( x_e + \frac{1}{2} x_\Lambda - \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad (48)$$

and

$$m_\phi^2 \phi_0 = \sum_i g_\phi n_i = g_{\phi N}(n_n + n_p) + g_{\phi H} n_\Lambda \quad (49)$$

$$= g_{\phi N} n_B (1 - x_\Lambda) + g_{\phi H} n_\Lambda \quad (50)$$

For clarity this is given here

$$\omega_0 = \frac{n_B}{m_\omega^2} [g_{\omega N}(1 - x_\Lambda) + g_{\omega H}x_\Lambda] \quad (51)$$

$$\rho_{03} = \frac{g_{\rho N}n_B}{2m_\rho^2} (2x_e + x_\Lambda - 1) \quad (52)$$

$$\phi_0 = \frac{n_B}{m_\phi^2} [g_{\phi N}(1 - x_\Lambda) + g_{\phi H}x_\Lambda] \quad (53)$$

For the chemical potential derivatives to be calculated in the following sections, this gives us the following for the partial derivatives of the  $\omega_0$  and  $\rho_{03}$  fields with respect to the independent variables  $x_e, x_\Lambda, n_B$ .

1.  $\omega$  meson

$$\frac{\partial \omega_0}{\partial n_B} = \frac{1}{m_\omega^2} (g_{\omega N}(1 - x_\Lambda) + g_{\omega H}x_\Lambda) \quad (54)$$

$$\frac{\partial \omega_0}{\partial x_e} = 0 \quad (55)$$

$$\frac{\partial \omega_0}{\partial x_\Lambda} = \frac{n_B}{m_\omega^2} (g_{\omega H} - g_{\omega N}) \quad (56)$$

2.  $\rho_{03}$  meson field

$$\frac{\partial \rho_{03}}{\partial n_B} = \frac{g_{\rho N}}{2m_\rho^2} (2x_e + x_\Lambda - 1) \quad (57)$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_{03}}{\partial x_e} = \frac{g_{\rho N}n_B}{m_\rho^2} \quad (58)$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho_{03}}{\partial x_\Lambda} = \frac{g_{\rho N}n_B}{2m_\rho^2} \quad (59)$$

3.  $\phi_0$  meson field

$$\frac{\partial \phi_0}{\partial n_B} = \frac{1}{m_\phi^2} [g_{\phi N}(1 - x_\Lambda) + g_{\phi H}x_\Lambda] \quad (60)$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi_0}{\partial x_e} = 0 \quad (61)$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi_0}{\partial x_\Lambda} = \frac{n_B}{m_\phi^2} (g_{\phi H} - g_{\phi N}) \quad (62)$$

## 2.3 Non-Trivial Partial Derivative

Let  $\mu'_i = \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}$ . Then the partial derivative of  $\mu'_i$  with respect to independent variable  $x_j$  is given by

$$\frac{\partial \mu'_i}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} \quad (63)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}]^{-1/2} \left[ 2k_{F_i} \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} + 2m_i^* \frac{\partial m_i^*}{\partial x_j} \right] \quad (64)$$

$$= \frac{k_{F_i} \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} - g_{\sigma i} m_i^* \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j}}{\sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} \quad (65)$$

using  $m_i^* = m_i - g_{\sigma i}\sigma$ . At this stage, we have two unknowns

$$\frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} \quad \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j} \quad (66)$$

The first can be dealt with by using

$$k_{F_i} = (3\pi^2 n_i)^{1/3} \quad (67)$$

and relating  $n_i$  to  $x_j := n_j/n_B$  via baryon number conservation, charge conservation. The second one we talk about below.

### 3 Calculation of $\sigma$ Field Partial Derivatives

So we have seen that to calculate partial derivatives of the chemical potentials with respect to the independent variables, we need the partial derivatives of the  $\sigma$ -field:

$$\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j} \quad j \in \text{Ind. Vars} \quad (68)$$

This section outlines how to do this.

#### 3.1 Sigma Field Equation of Motion

The  $\sigma$  field obeys the following equation of motion

$$m_\sigma^2 \sigma + \frac{\partial U}{\partial \sigma} = \sum_i g_{\sigma i} n_i^s \quad (69)$$

where

$$U(\sigma) = \frac{1}{3} b m_N (g_\sigma \sigma)^3 + \frac{1}{4} c (g_\sigma \sigma)^4 \quad (70)$$

and  $m_N, b, c$  are the nucleon mass, and sigma self coupling constants respectively. Note:  $g_{\sigma i}$  is the coupling constant between the sigma field and the  $i$ th Baryon.

Importantly:  $n_i^s$  is the scalar density which at zero temperature is given by

$$n_i^s = \frac{m_i^*}{2\pi^2} \left[ k_{F_i} E_{F_i} - m_i^{*2} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + E_{F_i}}{m_i^*} \right] \quad (71)$$

where  $k_{F_i} = (3\pi^2 n_i)^{1/3}$  is the Fermi momentum for the  $i$ th Baryon and  $E_{F_i} = \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}$  is the effective Fermi energy with  $m_i^* = m_i - g_{\sigma i}\sigma$  the effective mass.

#### 3.2 Sigma Partial Derivatives

The strategy here is to take the partial derivative of both sides with respect to our desired variable  $x_j$  and solve/isolate for  $\partial \sigma / \partial x_j$ .

$$\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j} \left( m_\sigma^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \sigma^2} \right) = \sum_i g_{\sigma i} \frac{\partial n_i^s}{\partial x_j} \quad (72)$$

This then reduces to a problem of determining  $\partial n_i^s / \partial x_j$  in terms of  $\partial \sigma / \partial x_j$ . One immediate thing to note however is that  $n_i^s$  is given primarily in terms of  $k_{F_i}$  so for ease of calculation it pays to re-write these partial derivatives in terms of  $k_{F_i}$ . That is, we perform a chain rule of the form

$$\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j} \left( m_\sigma^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \sigma^2} \right) = \sum_i g_{\sigma i} \frac{\partial n_i^s}{\partial k_{F_i}} \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} \quad (73)$$

to instead calculate  $\partial n_i^s / \partial k_{F_i}$  which is easier.

### 3.3 Finding $\partial n_i^s / \partial k_{F_i}$

In this section, we find  $\partial n_i^s / \partial k_{F_i}$ . This is done as follows. We just straight forwardly take the derivative.

$$\frac{\partial n_i^s}{\partial k_{F_i}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi^2} \frac{\partial m_i^*}{\partial k_{F_i}} \left[ k_{F_i} E_{F_i} - m_i^{*2} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + E_{F_i}}{m_i^*} \right]}_{\text{Term 1}} + \underbrace{\frac{m_i^*}{2\pi^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial k_{F_i}} \left[ k_{F_i} E_{F_i} - m_i^{*2} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + E_{F_i}}{m_i^*} \right]}_{\text{Term 2}} \quad (74)$$

In the following, we will use

$$\frac{\partial m_i^*}{\partial k_{F_i}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial k_{F_i}} (m_i - g_{\sigma i} \sigma) = -g_{\sigma i} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} \quad (75)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial E_{F_i}}{\partial k_{F_i}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial k_{F_i}} \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} \quad (76)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2} \right]^{-1/2} \left[ 2k_{F_i} + 2m_i^* \left( -g_{\sigma i} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} \right) \right] \quad (77)$$

$$= \frac{k_{F_i} - g_{\sigma i} m_i^* \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}}}{\sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} \quad (78)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k_{F_i}} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}}{m_i^*} = \frac{m_i^* + g_{\sigma i} k_{F_i} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}}}{m_i^* \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} \quad (79)$$

where the last one comes from Mathematica.

For now, focusing on Term 2, we can calculate the derivatives of the two terms inside of the bracket. First, we have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k_{F_i}} (k_{F_i} E_{F_i}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial k_{F_i}} \left( k_{F_i} \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} \right) \quad (80)$$

$$= \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} + k_{F_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial k_{F_i}} \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} \quad (81)$$

$$= \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} + k_{F_i} \frac{1}{2} \left[ k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2} \right]^{-1/2} \left[ 2k_{F_i} + 2m_i^* \left( -g_{\sigma i} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} \right) \right] \quad (82)$$

$$= \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} + \frac{k_{F_i} (k_{F_i} - g_{\sigma i} m_i^* \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}})}{\sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} \quad (83)$$

$$= \frac{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}{\sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} + \frac{k_{F_i}^2 - g_{\sigma i} m_i^* k_{F_i} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}}}{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} \quad (84)$$

$$= \frac{2k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2} - g_{\sigma i} m_i^* k_{F_i} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}}}{\sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} \quad (85)$$

Second, we have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k_{F_i}} m_i^{*2} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}}{m_i^*} = 2m_i^* \left( -g_{\sigma i} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} \right) \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}}{m_i^*} + m_i^{*2} \left( \frac{m_i^* + k_{F_i} g_{\sigma i} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}}}{m_i^* \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} \right) \quad (86)$$



Putting these two expressions back together gives us:

$$\frac{2k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2} - g_\sigma m_* k_{F_i}}{\sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} + 2m_* g_\sigma \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}}{m_*} - \frac{m_i^{*2}}{\sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} - \frac{m_* k_{F_i} g_\sigma}{\sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} \quad (87)$$

This then simplifies greatly to

$$\frac{2k_{F_i}^2}{\sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} - 2g_\sigma m_i^* \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} \left[ \frac{k_{F_i}}{\sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}} - \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}}{m_i^*} \right] \quad (88)$$

Now, we want to add back to this the first term which gives us

$$\frac{\partial n_i^s}{\partial k_{F_i}} = \frac{-g_{\sigma i}}{2\pi^2} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} \left[ k_{F_i} E_{F_i} - m_i^{*2} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + E_{F_i}}{m_i^*} \right] + \frac{m_i^* k_{F_i}^2}{\pi^2 E_{F_i}} - \frac{g_{\sigma i} m_i^{*2}}{\pi^2} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} \left[ \frac{k_{F_i}}{E_{F_i}} - \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + E_{F_i}}{m_i^*} \right] \quad (89)$$

or condensed together

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial n_i^s}{\partial k_{F_i}} = \left[ \frac{3}{2} \frac{g_{\sigma i} m_i^{*2}}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + E_{F_i}}{m_i^*} - \frac{g_{\sigma i}}{\pi^2} \left( \frac{1}{2} k_{F_i} E_{F_i} + m_i^{*2} \frac{k_{F_i}}{E_{F_i}} \right) \right] \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} + \frac{m_i^*}{\pi^2} \frac{k_{F_i}^2}{E_{F_i}}} \quad (90)$$

So we see that this is of the form

$$\frac{\partial n_i^s}{\partial k_{F_i}} = \alpha_i \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} + \beta_i \quad (91)$$

with

$$\alpha_i = \left[ \frac{3}{2} \frac{g_{\sigma i} m_i^{*2}}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + E_{F_i}}{m_i^*} - \frac{g_{\sigma i}}{\pi^2} \left( \frac{1}{2} k_{F_i} E_{F_i} + m_i^{*2} \frac{k_{F_i}}{E_{F_i}} \right) \right] \quad (92)$$

$$\beta_i = \frac{m_i^*}{\pi^2} \frac{k_{F_i}^2}{E_{F_i}} \quad (93)$$

### 3.4 Returning to Sigma Partial

In section 3.2, we had the following

$$\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j} \left( m_\sigma^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \sigma^2} \right) = \sum_i g_{\sigma i} \frac{\partial n_i^s}{\partial k_{F_i}} \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} \quad (94)$$

where in section 3.3, we solved for  $\partial n_i^s / \partial k_{F_i}$ . Inserting this in gives us

$$\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j} \left( m_\sigma^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \sigma^2} \right) = \sum_i g_{\sigma i} \left( \alpha_i \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial k_{F_i}} + \beta_i \right) \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} \quad (95)$$

$$= \sum_i g_{\sigma i} \left( \alpha_i \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j} + \beta_i \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} \right) \quad (96)$$

From this expression, we can solve for  $\partial \sigma / \partial x_j$  and get

$$\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j} \left[ m_\sigma^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \sigma^2} - \sum_i g_{\sigma i} \alpha_i \right] = \sum_i g_{\sigma i} \beta_i \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} \quad (97)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\sum_i g_{\sigma i} \beta_i \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j}}{\left[ m_\sigma^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \sigma^2} - \sum_i g_{\sigma i} \alpha_i \right]}} \quad (98)$$

for  $\alpha_i, \beta_i$  given by

$$\alpha_i = \left[ \frac{3}{2} \frac{g_{\sigma i} m_i^{*2}}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{k_{F_i} + E_{F_i}^*}{m_i^*} - \frac{g_{\sigma i}}{\pi^2} \left( \frac{1}{2} k_{F_i} E_{F_i}^* + m_i^{*2} \frac{k_{F_i}}{E_{F_i}^*} \right) \right] \quad (99)$$

$$\beta_i = \frac{m_i^* k_{F_i}^2}{\pi^2 E_{F_i}^*} \quad (100)$$

and  $i$  sums over the Baryons present in the system.

### 3.5 Putting everything back together

Then, we have found our two unknowns. So  $\partial \mu'_i / \partial x_j$  is given by

$$\frac{\partial \mu'_i}{\partial x_j} = \frac{k_{F_i}}{E_{F_i}^*} \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} - \frac{g_{\sigma i} m_i^*}{E_{F_i}^*} \left[ \frac{\sum_i g_{\sigma i} \beta_i \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j}}{\left[ m_\sigma^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \sigma^2} - \sum_i g_{\sigma i} \alpha_i \right]} \right] \quad (101)$$

and the entire chemical potential derivative for a baryon  $i$  with respect to independent variable  $x_j$  is given by

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial x_j} = \frac{k_{F_i}}{E_{F_i}^*} \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} - \frac{g_{\sigma i} m_i^*}{E_{F_i}^*} \left[ \frac{\sum_i g_{\sigma i} \beta_i \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j}}{\left[ m_\sigma^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \sigma^2} - \sum_i g_{\sigma i} \alpha_i \right]} \right] + g_{\omega i} \frac{\partial \omega_0}{\partial x_j} + g_{\phi i} \frac{\partial \phi_0}{\partial x_j} + I_{3B} g_{\rho i} \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial x_j}} \quad (102)$$

## 4 Electron Chemical Potential Partial Derivatives

First, we can consider the electron chemical potential which takes the simple form below

$$\mu_e = \sqrt{k_{F_e}^2 + m_e^2} \quad k_{F_e} = (3\pi^2 n_e)^{1/3} \quad (103)$$

Then using  $x_e = n_e / n_B \implies n_e = x n_B$  we have  $k_{F_e} = (3\pi^2 x n_B)^{1/3}$ . This gives us the partial derivatives of the electron chemical potential with respect to the independent variables as

$$\frac{\partial \mu_e}{\partial n_B} = \frac{\partial}{\partial n_B} \sqrt{(3\pi^2 x n_B)^{2/3} + m_e^2} = \left( \frac{\pi^4 x_e^2}{3 n_B} \right)^{1/3} \left[ (3\pi^2 x_e n_B)^{2/3} + m_e^2 \right]^{-1/2} \quad (104)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mu_e}{\partial x_e} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_e} \sqrt{(3\pi^2 x_e n_B)^{2/3} + m_e^2} = \left( \frac{\pi^4 n_B^2}{3 x_e} \right)^{1/3} \left[ (3\pi^2 x_e n_B)^{2/3} + m_e^2 \right]^{-1/2} \quad (105)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mu_e}{\partial x_\Lambda} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \sqrt{(3\pi^2 x_e n_B)^{2/3} + m_e^2} = 0 \quad (106)$$

Though this is easy to compute symbolically.

## 5 Summary of key steps

1. We have the speed of sound difference as

$$c_s^2 - c_e^2 = -\frac{n_B^2}{\mu_n} \left[ \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_e}}{\partial n_B} \bigg|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} \frac{dx_e}{dn_B} + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mu}_{x_\Lambda}}{\partial n_B} \bigg|_{x_e, x_\Lambda} \frac{dx_\Lambda}{dn_B} \right] \quad (107)$$

To get this, we need to solve for the fractions  $dx_e/dn_B$  and  $dx_\Lambda/dn_B$  in terms of partial derivatives of  $\tilde{\mu}_i$  which reduces to solving a system of linear equations.

2. Next, we need to determine  $\partial\tilde{\mu}_i/\partial x_j$  with  $i \in \{x_e, x_\Lambda\}$  and  $x_j \in \{n_B, x_e, x_\Lambda\}$ .

- We break this down into determining  $\partial\mu_i/\partial x_j$  where  $i \in \text{baryons, leptons}$  and  $j \in \{n_B, x_e, x_\Lambda\}$ .
- The baryon chemical potential in an RMF model is given by

$$\mu_i = \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}} + g_{\omega i}\omega_0 + g_{\phi i}\phi_0 + I_{3B}g_{\rho i}\rho_0 \quad (108)$$

To determine the partial derivative, we need derivatives of the meson fields. The derivatives of the  $\omega_0, \rho_0, \phi_0$  fields are straight forward but the derivative of  $E_{F_i}^* = \sqrt{k_{F_i}^2 + m_i^{*2}}$  is more tricky as it requires the partial derivative of  $\sigma$  and its equation of motion is highly nonlinear.

- We start to take the derivative of  $E_{F_i}^*$  with respect to independent variable  $x_j$  and find that it depends on two unknowns

$$\frac{\partial k_{F_i}^*}{\partial x_j} \quad \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x_j} \quad (109)$$

the first being straight forward.

- From the  $\sigma$  equation of motion, we differentiate it with respect to  $x_j$  to solve for  $\partial\sigma/\partial x_j$ . Then plugging this result back in then gives us the chemical potential partial derivative for the baryon. We arrive at the following expression

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial\mu_i}{\partial x_j} = \frac{k_{F_i}}{E_{F_i}^*} \frac{\partial k_{F_i}}{\partial x_j} - \frac{g_{\sigma i}m_i^*}{E_{F_i}^*} \left[ \frac{\sum_k g_{\sigma k}\beta_k \frac{\partial k_{F_k}}{\partial x_j}}{\left[ m_\sigma^2 + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \sigma^2} - \sum_k g_{\sigma k}\alpha_k \right]} \right] + g_{\omega i} \frac{\partial \omega_0}{\partial x_j} + g_{\phi i} \frac{\partial \phi_0}{\partial x_j} + I_{3B}g_{\rho i} \frac{\partial \rho_0}{\partial x_j}} \quad (110)$$

with  $\alpha_i, \beta_i$  defined above. The sums of  $k$  is a sum over all baryons in the system.

- We then would evaluate this for the different baryons and take the appropriate linear combinations for  $\tilde{\mu}_i$ .
3. Next, once we have  $\partial\tilde{\mu}_i/\partial x_j$  we can return to the system of linear equations for  $dx_e/dn_B$  and  $dx_\Lambda/dn_B$  and solve for them numerically.
4. Lastly, we can calculate the speed of sound difference by plugging in. At this point we should have all necessary values.