







### Shock wave modelling via Kinetic Theory

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### Kinetic theory

- Study macroscopic properties of matter in terms of the microscopic particles of which it is composed
- E.g. rarified gas flows, heavy ion collisions
- Numerical tools: Molecular Dynamics, Direct Simulation Monte Carlo, ...

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$$(\partial_t + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_r + \mathbf{F}/m \cdot \nabla_v) f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{v}, t)$$
  
=  $[\partial_t f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{v}, t)]_{Coll}$ 

• Test particle method:

 $f(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{v},t) = \sum \delta^{3}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_{i}(t)) \ \delta^{3}(\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_{i}(t))$ 



Ca+Ca collisions with GiBUU code

$$\frac{\partial f_b(xp)}{\partial t} + \frac{\Pi^i}{E_b^*(p)} \nabla_i^x f_b(xp) - \frac{\Pi^\mu}{E_b^*(p)} \nabla_i^x U_\mu(x) \nabla_p^i f_b(xp)$$

$$+ \frac{M_b^*}{E_b^*(p)} \nabla_i^x U_s \nabla_p^i f_b(xp) = I_{bb}^b(xp) + I_{b\pi}^b(xp)$$

$$\frac{\partial f_\pi(xk)}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{k} \cdot \vec{\nabla}^x}{E_\pi(k)} = I_{b\pi}^\pi(xk)$$

### Hydrodynamic limit





- In the limit of small Knudsen number:  $K = \lambda/L$
- Transport models can reproduce hydrodynamic behavior, e.g.:
  - Hydrodynamic shocks
  - Fluid instabilities

#### Core collapse supernova



Nordhaus et al., ApJ 720, (2010)

## Kinetic Approach

- Describe collapse and explosion of star's iron core with transport model
- ~10<sup>6</sup> matter/baryon test particles & neutrino test particles
- ~10<sup>51</sup> baryons/test particle
- Transport equations similar to baryons and pions in heavy-ion collisions



$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{p}_{j} = -\nabla U_{EoS,e^{-}}(\vec{r}_{j}) + \mathbf{F}_{Grav(j)} + \mathbf{F}_{Coll}(\mathbf{p}_{j})$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{r}_{j} = \mathbf{p}_{j}/\sqrt{m^{2} + p_{j}^{2}}$$

Strother & Bauer, Int. Journal Mod. Phys. D (2009), Strother & Bauer, Journal of Phys. 230 (2010)

#### Scattering of matter test particles

- Collisions by Direct Simulation Monte Carlo
- Randon choice of scattering partners in a cell
- Collision is performed in the Center-of-Mass frame
- Random choice for orientation of outgoing velocity vector



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## Comparison to hydrodynamic simulations

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Top figure: Sumiyoshi et al. NPA 730 (2004)



#### New transport code setup

- Aim:Transport code that can handle
   >10<sup>6</sup> test particles in a computationally efficient way
- Simulation space is divided into bins
- Scattering partner search is performed over the neighbouring cells (8 in 2D, 26 in 3D)
- Particle interaction range < bin size
- Scattering partner search can be performed in parallel
- Neighbouring bins should not overlap

[0][4][0]				
[0][3][0]				
[0][2][0]		bin p [pi][pj][pk]		
[0][1][0]	Nei	ghboring	bins	
[0][0][0]	[1][0][0]	[2][0][0]	[3][0][0]	[4][0][0]





3. Final collision partner: Shortest collision time or smallest distance



#### Sod shock tube test, 2D



- Riemann problem
- Initial conditions:

 $n_1 = 1, n_2 = 0.125, P_1 = 1, P_2 = 0.1, v_1=0, v_2 = 0$ 

Normalized density n/n0

 Analytic solution: Shock front, contact discontinuity and rarefaction wave

N<sub>TP</sub> =24 000 000, mfp = 0.01 bin-width, 400x400 bins



#### Sod shock tube test, 3D



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#### Noh test & mean free path



#### Summary & Outlook

- Transport models can describe matter in and out of equilibrium, shock wave phenomena, fluid instabilities ...
- Idea: Supernova simulation via Kinetic Theory
- Comparisons of first results to hydrodynamic codes look promising
- Current development: Transport code that can handle >> 10<sup>6</sup> test particles in a computationally efficient way
- First hydrodynamic tests to reproduce shock phenomena
- Extension of test suite (maybe also with fluid instabilities)
- Implement in supernova simulation code

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