

Upgrading the neutron-capture and decay rates of Monash nucleosynthesis code

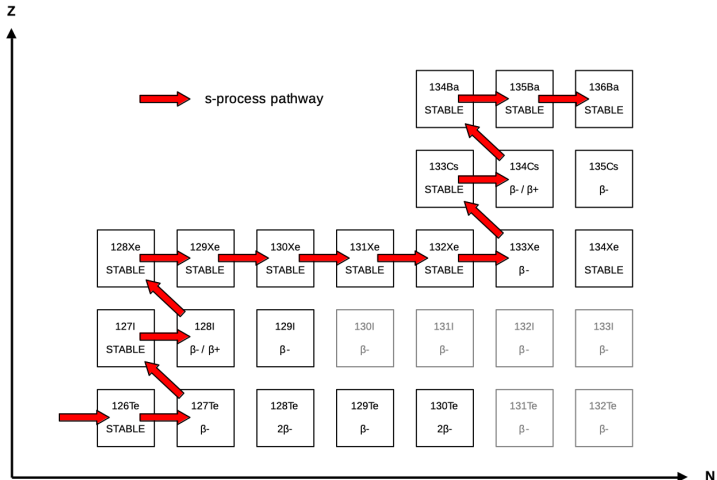
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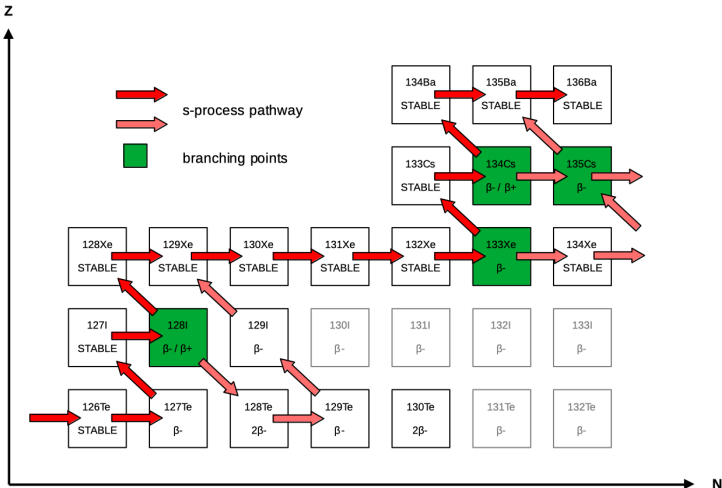
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s process



Branching points



Importance of theoretical stellar nucleosynthesis calculations

- ▶ Direct comparison between predicted stellar abundances and observations
- ▶ Interpretation of chemical abundances from stellar spectra
- ▶ Interpretation of the composition of stable and radioactive isotopes in meteoric components

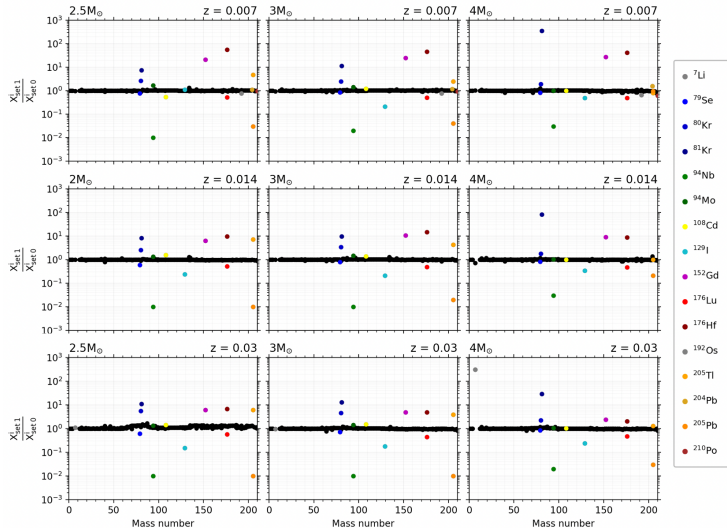
Monash NS code

- ▶ Developed in the 1990s by John Lattanzio and Robert Cannon
- ▶ *Monash* stellar structure evolution code → *Monash* post-processing nucleosynthesis code
- ▶ 328-species nuclear network
 - ▶ including all the isotopes on the s-process path (up to Po)
- ▶ Reaction network mostly based on the JINA REACLIB database (Set0)
 - ▶ Constant radioactive decay and electron capture rates

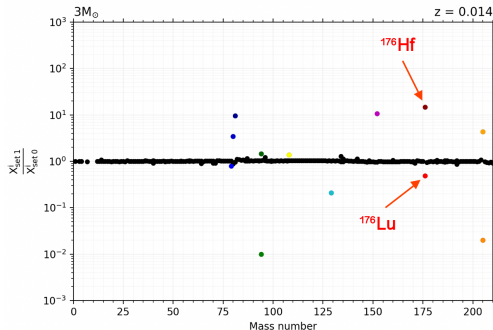
Monash NS code

- ▶ Because of the operation of the branching points, the temperature and density-dependent decay rates are essential for the accurate study of the s-process in AGB stars
- ▶ New input physics in the code:
 - ▶ Temperature and density-dependent radioactive decay and electron captures rates from NETGEN database (Set1, 113 reactions)
 - ▶ Upgraded neutron-capture network with re-evaluated experimental MACS from ASTRAL database (Set2, 94 reactions)

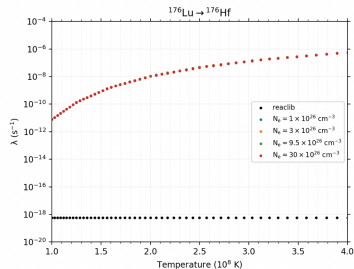
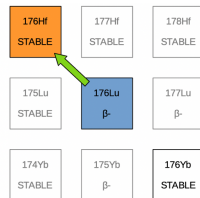
Set1 vs Set0



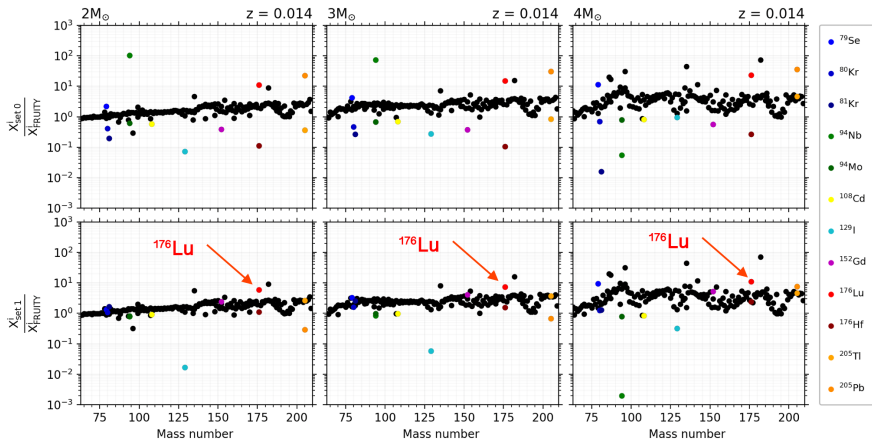
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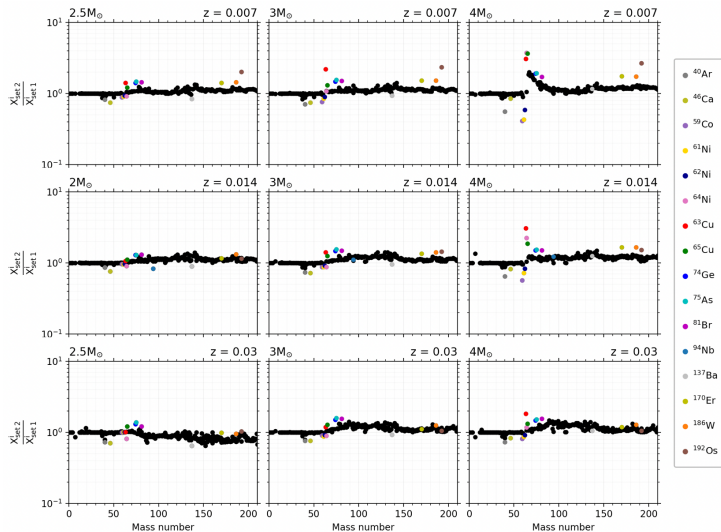
Abundance	solar	set0	set1
^{176}Lu	2.695E-14	3.456E-12	1.695E-12
^{176}Hf	1.889E-13	1.807E-13	2.660E-12
$^{176}\text{Lu}/^{176}\text{Hf}$	0.14	19.12	0.64



Set1 and Set0 vs FRUITY



Set2 vs Set1



Future plans

- ▶ Interpreting the results of Set2
- ▶ Comparing the predictions of the upgraded code with stardust grains measurements
- ▶ Continuous updating of the network based on new research results

Thank you for your attention!