

# *NSCool User's guide*

# The Control Files

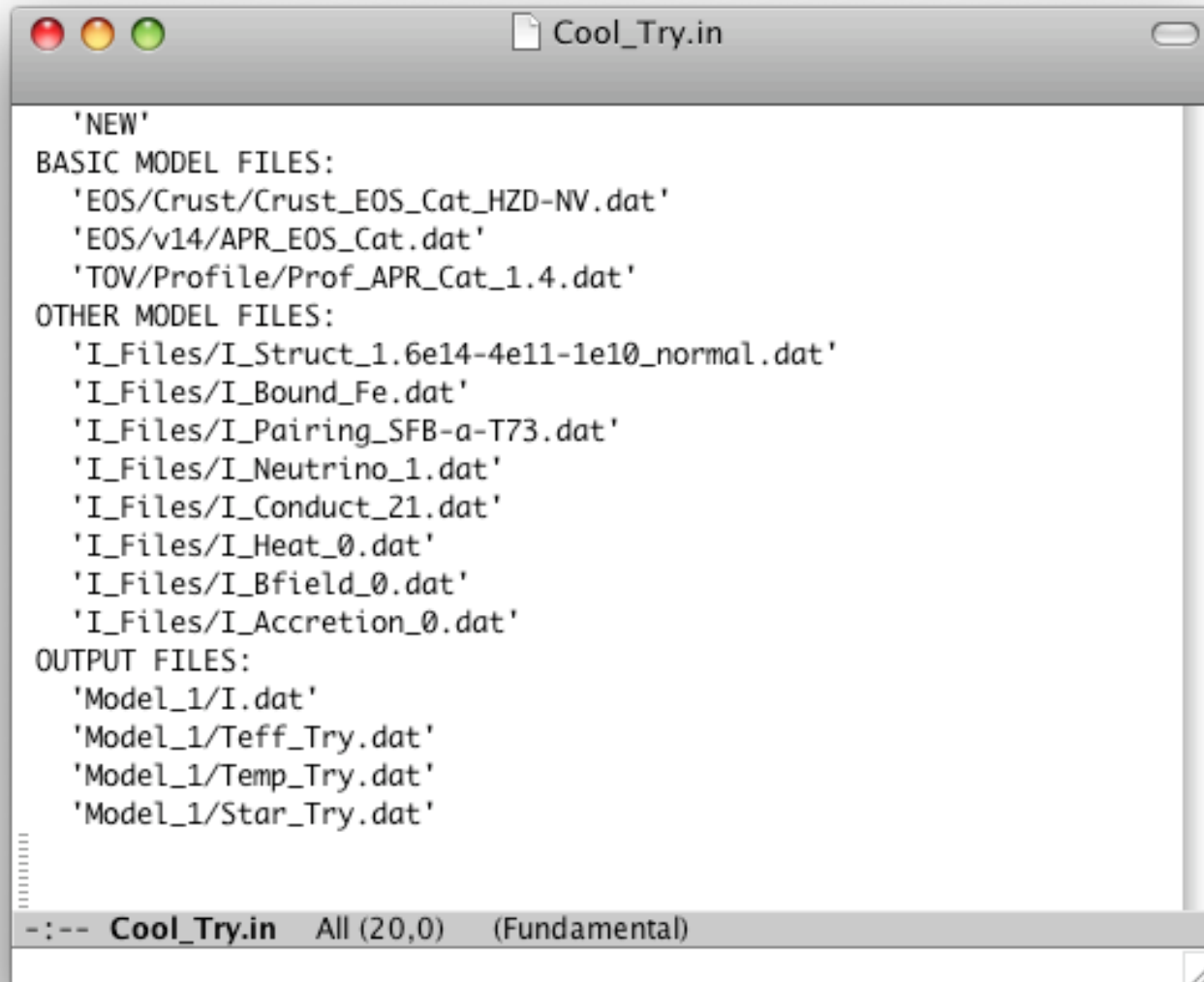
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Cool\_\*.in

# The Input Master File “Cool\_\*.in”

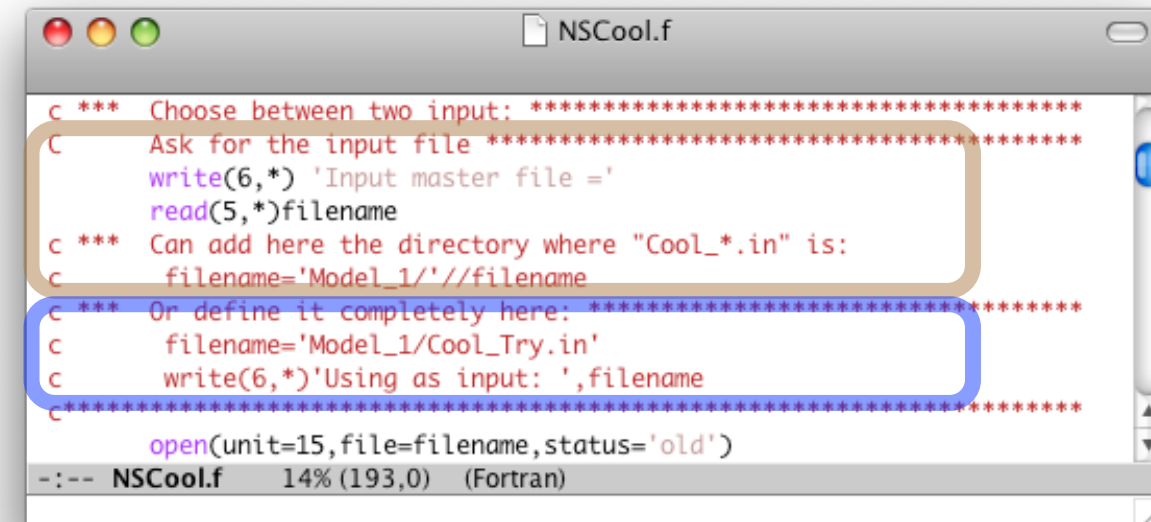
The master input file:



```
'NEW'
BASIC MODEL FILES:
'EOS/Crust/Crust_EOS_Cat_HZD-NV.dat'
'EOS/v14/APR_EOS_Cat.dat'
'TOV/Profile/Prof_APR_Cat_1.4.dat'
OTHER MODEL FILES:
'I_Files/I_Struct_1.6e14-4e11-1e10_normal.dat'
'I_Files/I_Bound_Fe.dat'
'I_Files/I_Pairing_SFB-a-T73.dat'
'I_Files/I_Neutrino_1.dat'
'I_Files/I_Conduct_21.dat'
'I_Files/I_Heat_0.dat'
'I_Files/I_Bfield_0.dat'
'I_Files/I_Accretion_0.dat'
OUTPUT FILES:
'Model_1/I.dat'
'Model_1/Teff_Try.dat'
'Model_1/Temp_Try.dat'
'Model_1/Star_Try.dat'

-- Cool_Try.in All (20,0) (Fundamental)
```

It is defined in NSCool.f with:



```
c *** Choose between two input: *****
c *** Ask for the input file *****
c     write(6,*) 'Input master file ='
c     read(5,*)filename
c *** Can add here the directory where "Cool_*.in" is:
c     filename='Model_1'//filename
c *** Or define it completely here: *****
c     filename='Model_1/Cool_Try.in'
c     write(6,*)'Using as input: ',filename
c *****
c     open(unit=15,file=filename,status='old')

-- NSCool.f 14% (193,0) (Fortran)
```

If you're tired of typing in the directory, uncomment the

`c filename='Model_1'//filename`

Or, if you're always using the same input file (e.g., while debugging) use the second version (uncomment it, and comment out the first version)

Its content is briefly described in the next slides.  
**For more details see: NSCool\_Guide\_Control.**

The way it is presently working, NSCool will look for these files as they are defined in the input file. The way the files are defined in Cool\_Try.in, since the subdirectories EOS, TOV, I\_Files, Model\_1, ..., are in the NSCool directory, one has to run NSCool from this directory (and not from the Code subdirectory). But if you define the files as, e.g., ‘`../EOS/Crust/Crust_EOS_Cat_HZD-NV.dat`’, you can run from Code.

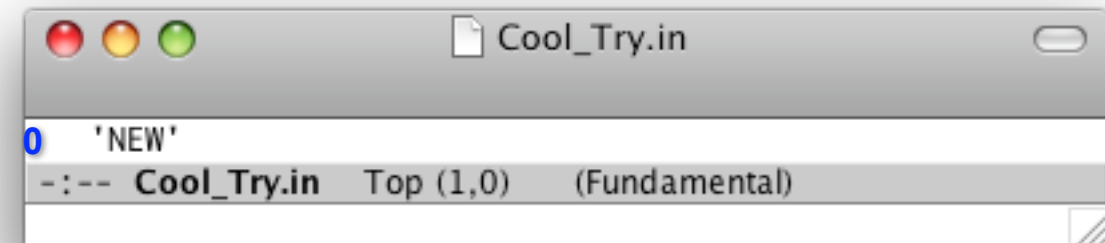
# The input file line by line (1)

**0:** This specifies how much info there is in the core EOS file. Its possible values are:

‘old’ , ‘new’ , ‘NEW’ , ‘QRK’ , and ‘STR’.

**Presently, only ‘NEW’ and ‘STR’ work properly !**

- ‘NEW’ includes leptons, nucleons and hyperons.
- ‘STR’ is for strange stars with a thin baryonic crust.
- ‘QRK’ was as ‘new’ but with quark matter (“hybrid star”), allowing for a mixed phase. I think it is not anymore compatible with the present version of NSCool, but this should be easy to fix (by making an extension of ‘NEW’ instead of ‘new’).



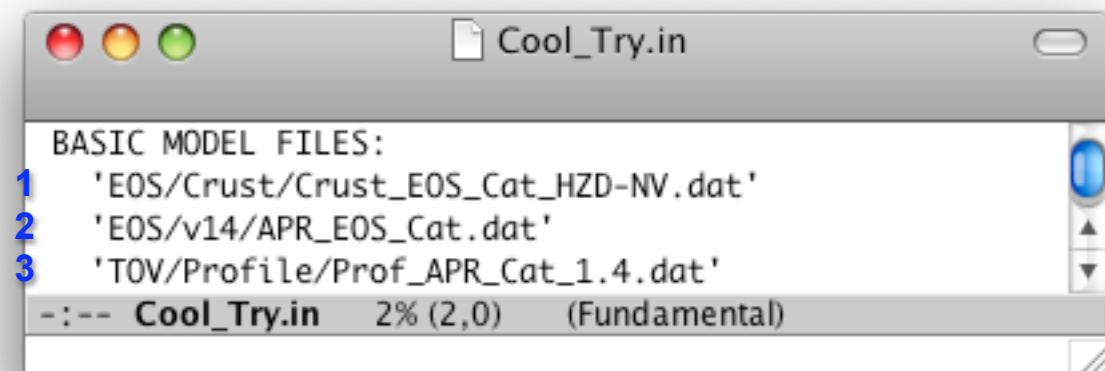
```
0 'NEW'
```

--- Cool\_Try.in Top (1,0) (Fundamental)

- ‘old’ and ‘new’ may work, but this needs to be checked.

*This terminology obviously reflects the evolution of NSCool with time !*

**3:** contains the profile of the star as calculated by the TOV integrator. Since TOV is integrated by a Runge-Kutta scheme, during initialization a new grid is defined, by interpolations, more appropriate for NSCool.



```
1 'EOS/Crust/Crust_EOS_Cat_HZD-NV.dat'
```

```
2 'EOS/v14/APR_EOS_Cat.dat'
```

```
3 'TOV/Profile/Prof_APR_Cat_1.4.dat'
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--- Cool\_Try.in 2% (2,0) (Fundamental)

**1:** the crust EOS and

**2:** the core EOS: they are used to define the “chemical composition” of the star, i.e., abundances of each type of particle, and nuclei in the crust, as well as Fermi momenta, effective masses, etc ... All this is performed during initialization.

# The input file line by line (2)

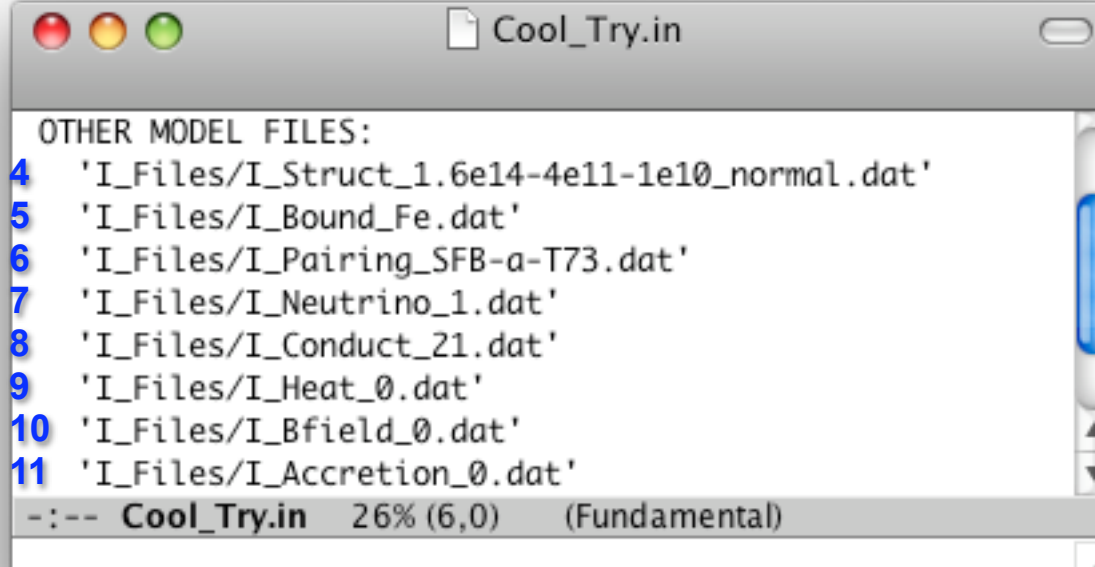
**4:** contains parameters which define the grid used. I like to give files a name which is pretty indicative of its content. This name indicates that this specific file defines:  
 $\rho_{\text{crust-core}} = 1.6 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ gm cm}^{-3}$ ,  $\rho_{\text{drip}} = 4 \cdot 10^{11} \text{ gm cm}^{-3}$   
 and  $\rho_b = 10^{10} \text{ gm cm}^{-3}$  (that is the “surface”, i.e., the position of the outer boundary), and a “normal” size grid (about 100 grid points in the core and 250 in the crust).

**5:** defines the outer boundary condition, i.e., the envelope model glued at  $r_b$ .  
 (This particular file defines a heavy element envelope with iron at the surface.)

**6:** define which pairing gaps are used (for superfluidity/superconductivity).

**7:** allows some control to turn on or off some neutrino processes.

**8:** same thing, but for the thermal conductivity.



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OTHER MODEL FILES:
4 'I_Files/I_Struct_1.6e14-4e11-1e10_normal.dat'
5 'I_Files/I_Bound_Fe.dat'
6 'I_Files/I_Pairing_SFB-a-T73.dat'
7 'I_Files/I_Neutrino_1.dat'
8 'I_Files/I_Conduct_21.dat'
9 'I_Files/I_Heat_0.dat'
10 'I_Files/I_Bfield_0.dat'
11 'I_Files/I_Accretion_0.dat'
-:-- Cool_Try.in 26% (6,0) (Fundamental)
  
```

**9:** controls which heating mechanisms are used.

**10:** controls magnetic field evolution: not implemented anymore !

**11:** controls the accretion rate.

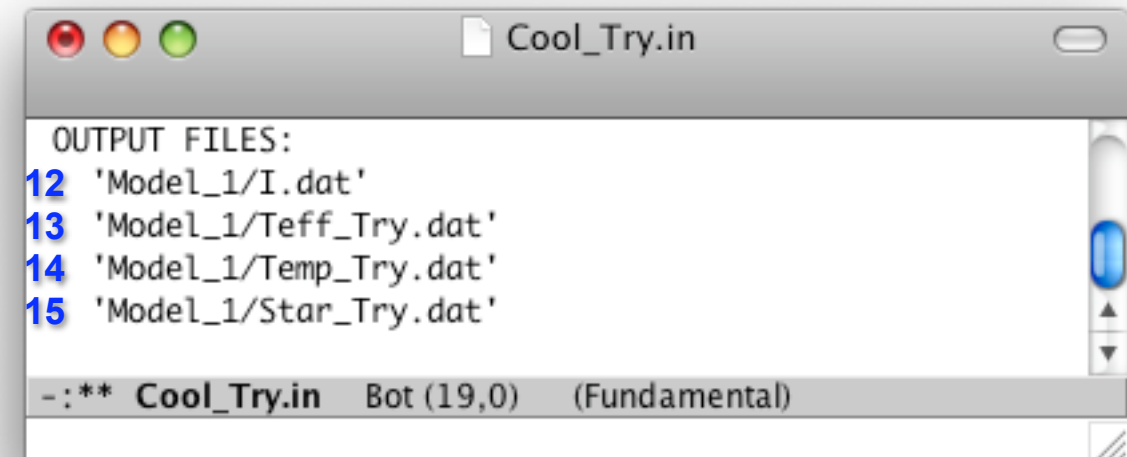
Notice that these last three files have names as  $I\_*_0.dat$ :

- this indicates that these files define
- **no** heating,
  - **no** magnetic field evolution (in this case there is no other option !) and
  - **no** accretion.

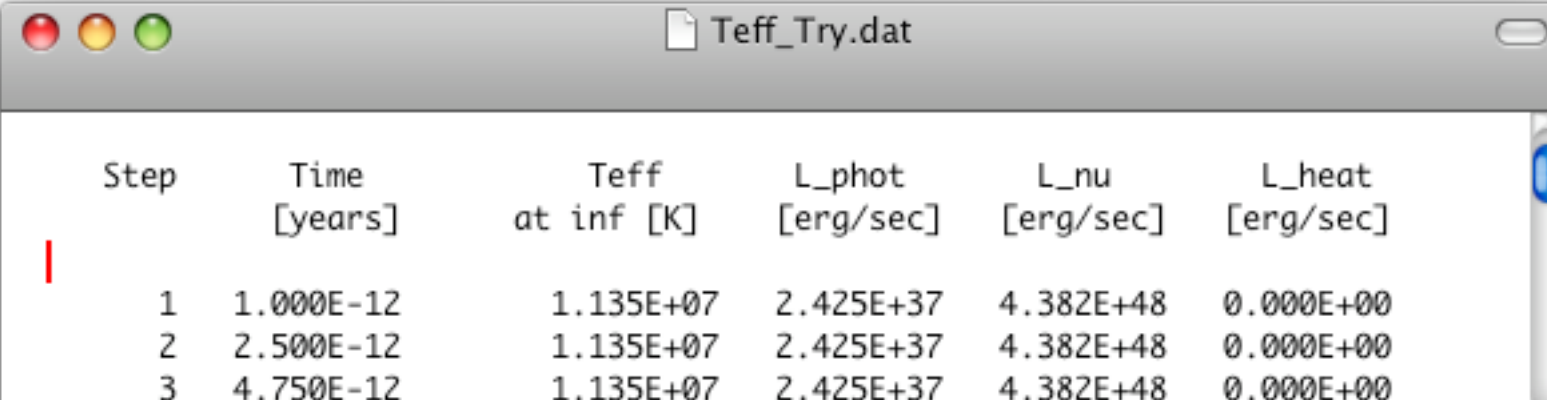


# The input file line by line (3)

**12:** contains some parameter which control the output: see next slide.  
*[In this file are the parameters, among others, which determine whether the next three files are used or not.]*



**13:** output file: contains a few line of general info about the model and then one line per time step:



Step	Time [years]	Teff at inf [K]	L_phot [erg/sec]	L_nu [erg/sec]	L_heat [erg/sec]
1	1.000E-12	1.135E+07	2.425E+37	4.382E+48	0.000E+00
2	2.500E-12	1.135E+07	2.425E+37	4.382E+48	0.000E+00
3	4.750E-12	1.135E+07	2.425E+37	4.382E+48	0.000E+00
•	...	...	...	...	... etc

**This is the file to use to plot a cooling curve**

**14:** output file: contains the full  $T$  &  $L$  (and other variables) profiles at determined times [the times at which print out is done are given in the file "I.dat" **12**]

**15:** output file: contains the full profile of the star of time independent variables as  $r$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $P$ ,  $T_c$ 's, ...

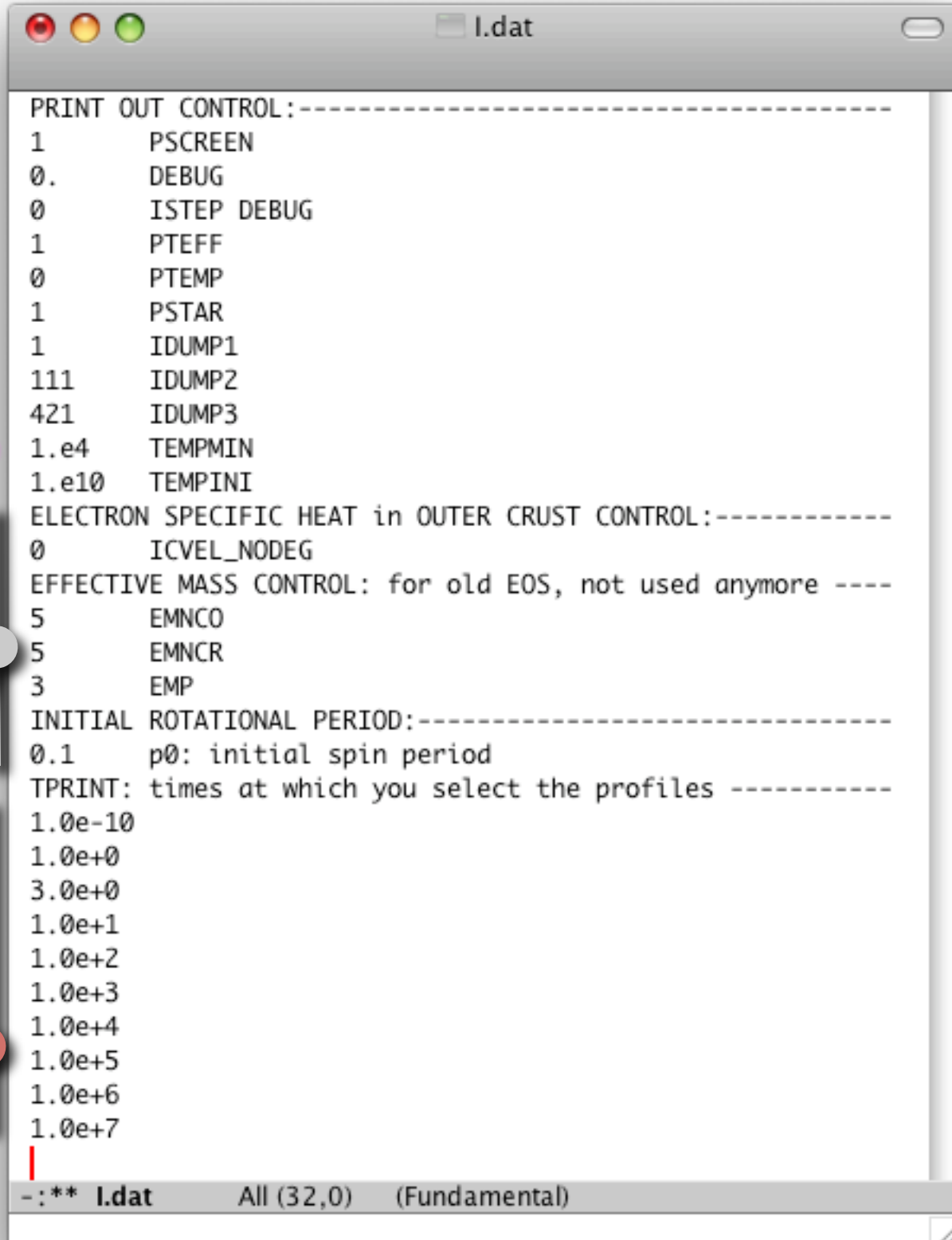
# I.dat

# Output control: the “I.dat” file

- 1: already described previously.
- 2: `DEBUG > 0` will print out zillions of screenfull of info about what NSCool is doing. Some hints about it are at the top of the file NSCool.f
- 3: time step at which the debug print out will begins.
- 4: `PTEFF = 1`: the output file “Teff\_\*.dat” is used.
- 5: `PTEMP = 1`: the output file “Temp\_\*.dat” is used.  
If `PTEMP = 2`: a HUGE output file “Temp\_\*.dat” is generated. [More on it somewhere else]
- 6: `PSTAR = 1`: the output file “Star\_\*.dat” is used.
- 7, 8, and 9: some integers which can be used to print out more things in “Teff\_\*.dat”.
- 10: the calculation stops when  $T_e^\infty$  drops below this value (in K).
- 11: initial temperature (in K) for the initial  $T$  profile.

Not used anymore  
[but kept here for backward compatibility]

List of times, in years,  
at which the full profiles will be  
printed out in the file “Temp\_\*.dat”.



```

PRINT OUT CONTROL:-----
1  PSCREEN
2  0.    DEBUG
3  0     ISTEP  DEBUG
4  1     PTEFF
5  0     PTEMP
6  1     PSTAR
7  1     IDUMP1
8  111   IDUMP2
9  421   IDUMP3
10 1.e4   TEMPMIN
11 1.e10  TEMPINI
ELECTRON SPECIFIC HEAT in OUTER CRUST CONTROL:-----
0     ICVEL_NODEG
EFFECTIVE MASS CONTROL: for old EOS, not used anymore ----
5     EMNCO
5     EMNCR
3     EMP
INITIAL ROTATIONAL PERIOD:-----
0.1   p0: initial spin period
TPRINT: times at which you select the profiles -----
1.0e-10
1.0e+0
3.0e+0
1.0e+1
1.0e+2
1.0e+3
1.0e+4
1.0e+5
1.0e+6
1.0e+7
-: ** I.dat      All (32,0)  (Fundamental)
  
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# I\_Struct\_\*.dat

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I_Struct_1.6e14-4e11-1e10_normal.dat

1.6d14  4.0d11  1.d8  1.d10      : rhocore rhodrip rhoenv rhosurf
111  60      : icore  idec

Note: idec is the number of zone per decade of density in the crust, as used by
      subroutine grid (in "precool.f")
      Since Temp is calculated on even zones, i.e., every wo zones only,
      idec should be at least 10
      For the same reason, icore should be at least 100.

-:** I_Struct_1.6e14-4e11-1e10_normal.dat  All (9,0)  (Fundamental)

```

- These parameters are used by subroutine grid (in file precool.f) to redefine the grid.
- Remember that  $\mathcal{T}_i$  is defined at  $i = 1, 3, 5, \dots, \text{imax}$  and  
 $\mathcal{L}_i$  is defined at  $i = 0, 2, 4, \dots, \text{imax}-1$
- rhocore, rhodrip and rhosurf have obvious meaning and will define density at the grid points icore, idrip and imax.
- rhoenv (at grid point ienv) allows to extend the calculations to low density: the zone at densities between rhoenv and rhosurf will have their density adjusted during the cooling. If rhoenv < rhosurf then nothing happens (as in the sample file above).
- icore defines how many zones there will be in the core, located at radii which will give approximately the same volume in each zone.
- idec defines how many zones per decade in density there will be in the crust.  
 [icore should be an odd number because  $\mathcal{T}_{\text{icore}}$  must be defined, and idec should be an even number because  $\mathcal{T}_{\text{idrip}}$ ,  $\mathcal{T}_{\text{ienv}}$ , and  $\mathcal{T}_{\text{imax}}$  must be defined: however the code checks it and adjust icore/ienv]

**I\_Bound\_\*.dat**

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I_Bound_Fe.dat
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ENVELOPE MODEL & BOUNDARY CONDITION:-----
3      IFTEFF  (0=use table, 10,11=magnetar with Fe and Acc)
0.     ETA (for accreted env., i.e., IFTEFF=3)
3.     MAG_COEFF (for magnetars, i.e., IFTEFF=10,11)
0.0    TB_ACC0
'none-at-all.nut'
-:-- I_Bound_Fe.dat  All (7,0)  (Fundamental)

```

These parameters are used by the function `fteff` (in the file `boundary.f`) and define the outer boundary condition, i.e., the “ $T_e$ - $T_b$ ” relationship. So:

$T_e = T_e(T_b, ..)$  is `fteff(Tb, ...)`

and both  $T_e$  and  $T_b$  are local temperatures, not red-shifted ones.

# Choices of envelope models (1)

The envelope model being use is defined by the parameter:

**IFTEFF =**

**0** : uses a table, defined by the character string 'none-at-all.nut' (which should be replaced by the exact path and name of the table to use !). See the subroutine fteff\_table for the format of the table.

**1**: uses the 'Te-Tb' relationship of:

Structure of neutron star envelopes

*Gudmundsson, E. H.; Pethick, C. J.; Epstein, R. I.*

1983, ApJ 272, p. 286

These are envelope models with iron.

**2**: uses the 'Te-Tb' relationship of:

Cooling of neutron stars - Effects of the finite time scale of thermal conduction

*Nomoto, K.; Tsuruta, S.*

1987, ApJ 312, p. 711

These are envelope models with iron.

These two models are old, it is better to use the next one (IFTEFF=3);



# Choices of envelope models (2)

**IFTEFF =**

**3:** uses the 'Te-Tb' relationship of:

Internal temperatures and cooling of neutron stars with accreted envelopes

*Potekhin, A. Y.; Chabrier, G.; Yakovlev, D. G.*

1997, A&A 323, p.415

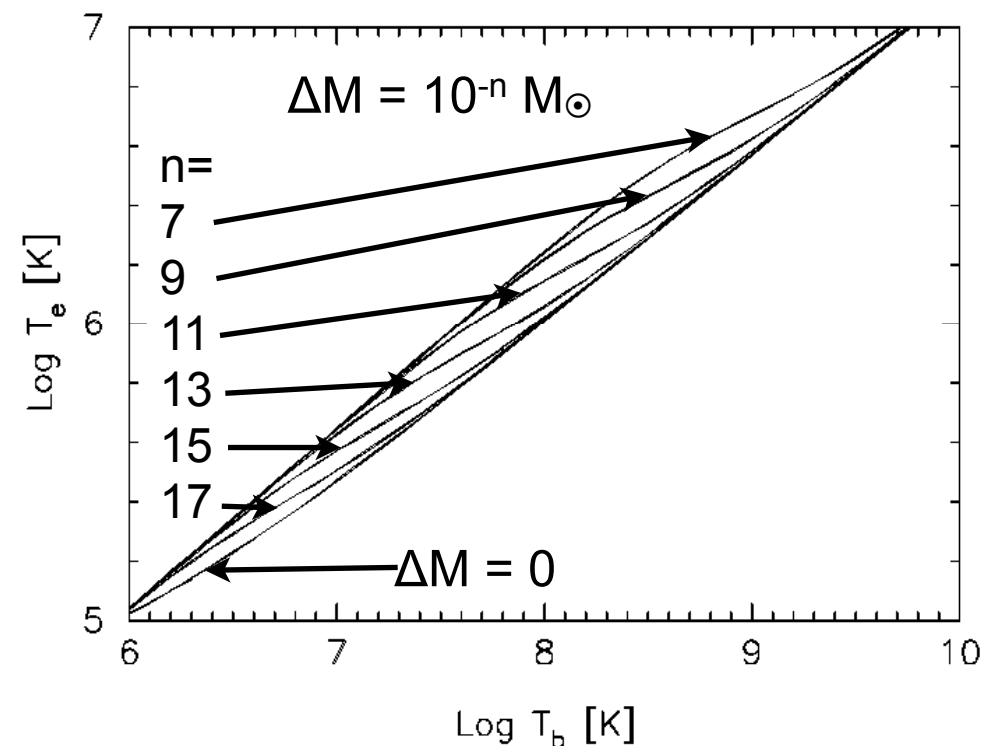
These are envelope models with light elements (and iron+heavier ones at high density).

The amount of light elements is determined by the parameter  $\eta$  (= ETA in the file):

$$\eta = g_{s14}^2 \Delta M / M = P_{\text{light}} / 1.193 \times 10^{34} \text{ dyne cm}^{-2}$$

where  $P_{\text{light}}$  is the pressure at the bottom of the light element layer.

Notice that light elements cannot be present at too high densities (e.g., C will burn by pycnonuclear reactions at about  $10^{10} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ ). So there is a maximum value that  $\eta$  can reach. The formula that Potekhin et al. give saturates when  $\eta$  grows: thus a value as  $\eta=1$  will give the maximum possible effect of a light element envelope (even if it is physically a wildly unrealistic high value).



# Choices of envelope models (3)

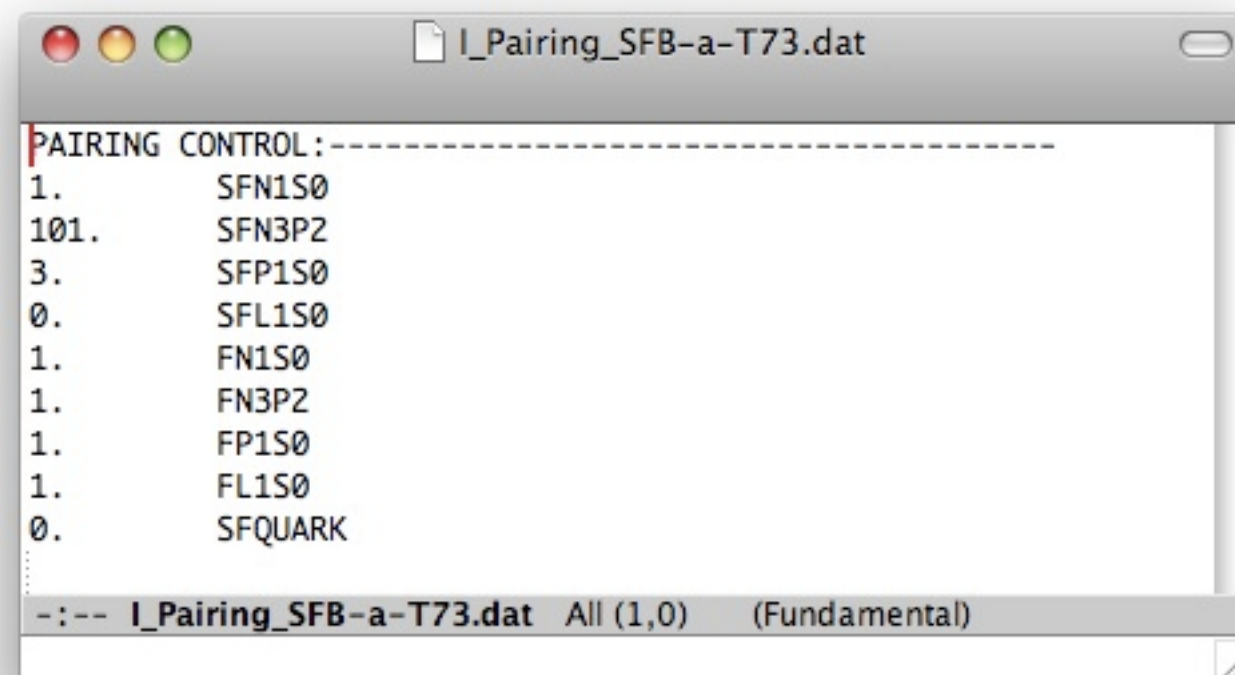
**IFTEFF =**

**4** : more on it later !

**5**: more on it later !

**15**: in this case the value of  $T_b$  is held constant: this can be used to simulate accreting neutron stars where the outer temperature is controlled by the accretion. The value of  $T_b$  is then given by the parameter `TB_ACC0`.

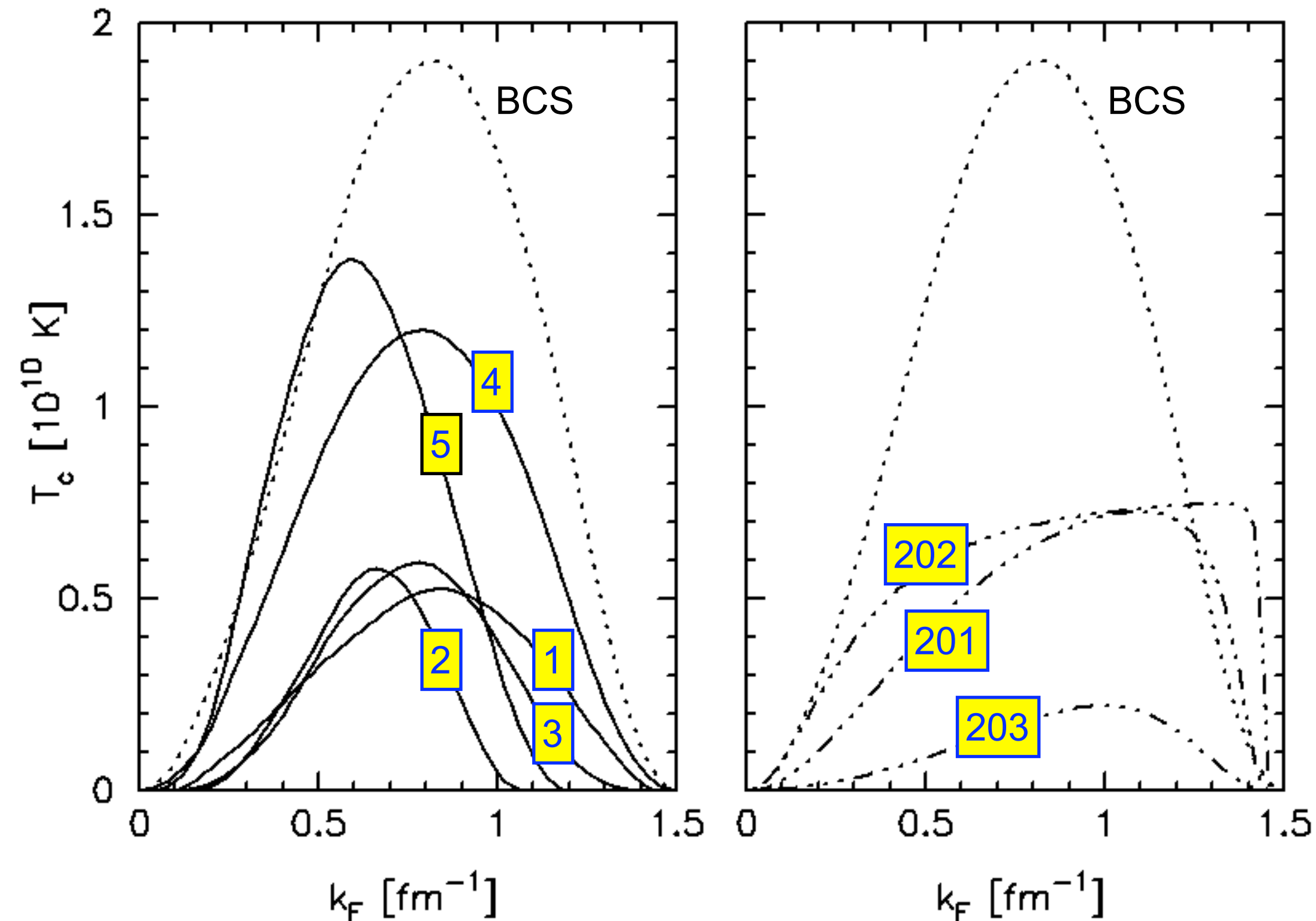
# I\_Pairing\_\*.dat



Parameter	controls:
SFN1S0	neutron $^1S_0$ gap model to be used
SFN3P2	neutron $^3P_2$ gap model to be used
SFP1S0	proton $^1S_0$ gap model to be used
SFL1S0	lambda hyperon ( $\Lambda$ ) $^1S_0$ gap model to be used
FN1S0	scaling factor for neutron $^1S_0$ gap
FN3P2	scaling factor for neutron $^3P_2$ gap
FP1S0	scaling factor for proton $^1S_0$ gap
FL1S0	scaling factor for lambda hyperon ( $\Lambda$ ) $^1S_0$ gap
SFQUARK	quark gap (not safely implemented)

[The scaling factors allow to easily play with the sizes of the gaps:  $T_c \rightarrow \text{scaling factor} \times T_c$ ]

# Neutron $^1S_0$ Gaps



Values of the  
parameter  
 $SFN1S0$ :

Gap:

1 SFB  
2 CCDK  
3 WAP  
4 GC  
5 GIPSF

201 1ns  
202 2ns  
203 3ns

(See next slide  
for references)



# Neutron $^1S_0$ Gaps

The neutron  $^1S_0$  gap has been the most extensively studied to date. The curve “BCS” shows the prediction for the simplest model (in the “BCS approximation”). Models “SFB”, “CCDK”, & “WAP” go beyond this by including medium polarizations while “GC” & “GIPSF” use quantum Monte-Carlo techniques.

## **References:**

- **SFB**: Schwenk, Friman, & Brown, Nucl. Phys. A713 (2003), p. 191.
- **CCDK**: Chen, Clark, Dave, & Khodel, Nucl. Phys. A555 (1993), p. 59.
- **WAP**: Wambach, Ainsworth, & Pines, Nucl. Phys. A555 (1993), p. 128.
- **GC**: Gezerlis, & Carlson, Phys. Rev. C77 (2008), p. 2801.
- **GIPSF**: Gondolfi, Iliaronov, Pederiva, Schmidt, & Fantoni, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2008), p. 132501.
- **1ns, 2ns 3ns**: *ad hoc* models proposed by
  - Yakovlev, Kaminker, & Gnedin, A&A 379 (2001), p. L5
  - Kaminker, Yakovlev, & Gnedin, A&A 383 (2002), p. 1076
  - Yakovlev, Kaminker, Haensel, & Gnedin, A&A 398 (2002), p. L24.

# Neutron $^3P_2$ Gaps

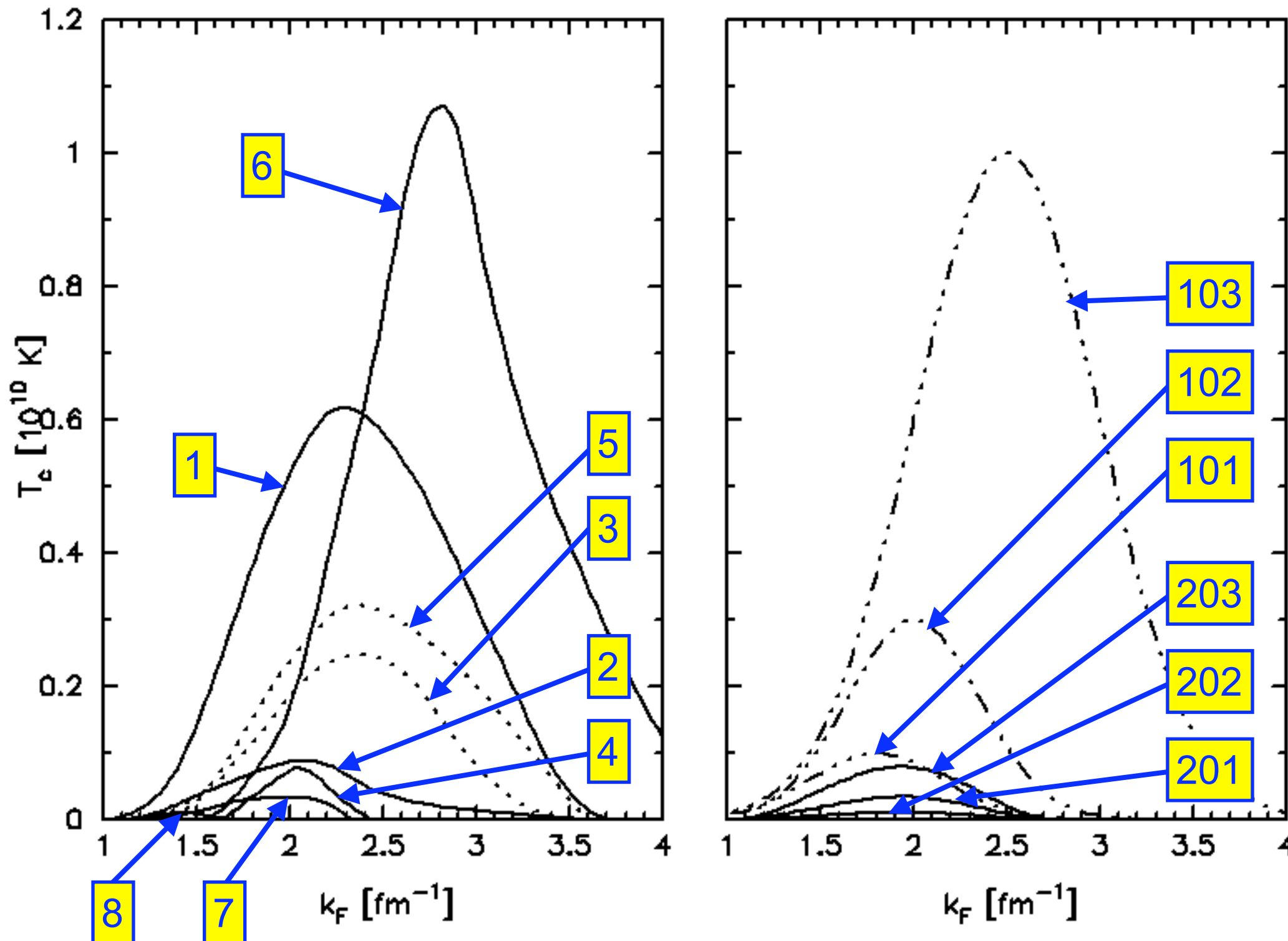
Values of the  
parameter  
 $SF_N3P_2$ :

Gap:

- |   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| 1 | HGRR            |
| 2 | AO              |
| 3 | AO ( $m^*=1$ )  |
| 4 | T72             |
| 5 | T72 ( $m^*=1$ ) |
| 6 | BCLL            |
| 7 | EEHJO n.r.      |
| 8 | EEHJO r.        |

- |     |     |
|-----|-----|
| 101 | "a" |
| 102 | "b" |
| 103 | "c" |

- |     |     |
|-----|-----|
| 201 | 1nt |
| 202 | 2nt |
| 203 | 3nt |



(See next slide for references)

# Neutron $^3P_2$ Gaps

The neutron  $^3P_2$  gap is the most important one, but it's actual value is essentially unknown (as the many curve in the previous slide easily convince you)

## References:

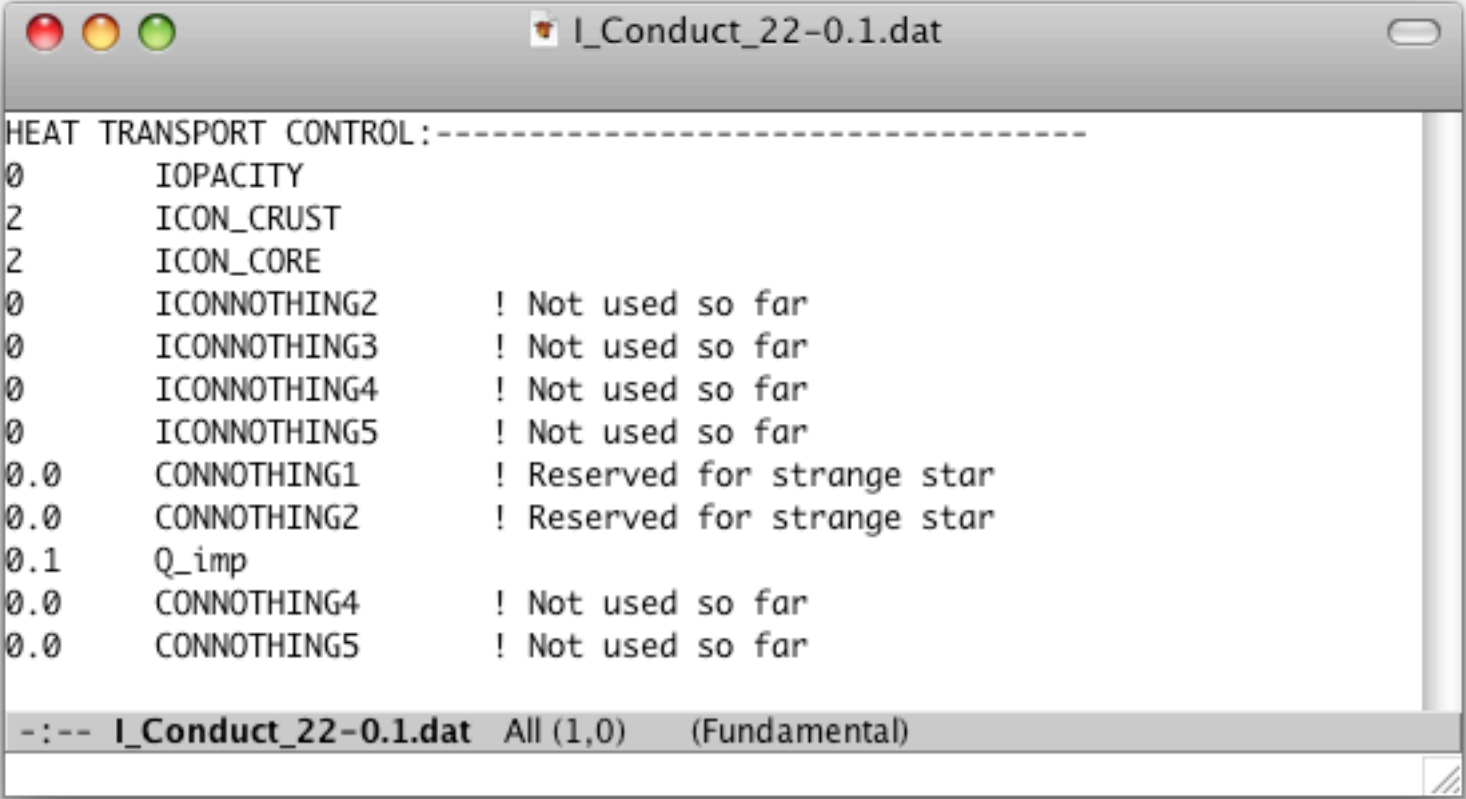
- **SFB**: Schwenk, Friman, & Brown, Nucl. Phys. A713 (2003), p. 191.
- **CCDK**: Chen, Clark, Dave, & Khodel, Nucl. Phys. A555 (1993), p. 59.
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- **GIPSF**: Gondolfi, Iliaronov, Pederiva, Schmidt, & Fantoni, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111 (2008), p. 132501.
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  - Kaminker, Yakovlev, & Gnedin, A&A 383 (2002), p. 1076
  - Yakovlev, Kaminker, Haensel, & Gnedin, A&A 398 (2002), p. L24.

I\_Neutrino\_\*.dat





I\_Conduct\_\*.dat



```

HEAT TRANSPORT CONTROL :-----
0      IOPACITY
2      ICON_CRUST
2      ICON_CORE
0      ICONNOTHING2      ! Not used so far
0      ICONNOTHING3      ! Not used so far
0      ICONNOTHING4      ! Not used so far
0      ICONNOTHING5      ! Not used so far
0.0    CONNOTHING1      ! Reserved for strange star
0.0    CONNOTHING2      ! Reserved for strange star
0.1    Q_imp
0.0    CONNOTHING4      ! Not used so far
0.0    CONNOTHING5      ! Not used so far

-:-- I_Conduct_22-0.1.dat All (1,0) (Fundamental)

```

[Note: the “\_22-0.1” in the file name means that **ICON\_CRUST=2**, **ICON\_CORE=2** and **Q\_imp=0.1**]

## IOPACITY :

**0**: no photon opacity    **1**: with photon opacity included in the thermal conductivity

**Q\_imp**: “impurity parameter for e-impurity scattering.

## ICON\_CORE :

**1**: simple Flowers & Itoh formula: 
$$\lambda = 10^{23} \cdot \left( \frac{k_{F,n}}{1.6 \text{ fm}^{-1}} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{T}{10^8 \text{ K}} \right)$$

**2**: use the full calculation of Yakovlev et al.

[ICON\_CRUST: see next slide]

# Crust Conductivity

## ICON\_CRUST :

This will essentially distinguish between the *Itoh et al.* and *Yakovlev et al.* calculations, both in the liquid and the crystal phases:

$\Gamma > \Gamma_c$ :

- 1**: e-phonon from *Itoh et al.* + e-impurity from *Yakovlev & Urpin*.
- 2**: e-phonon from *Baiko & Yakovlev* + e-impurity from *Yakovlev & Urpin*.
- 3**: e-phonon from Gnedin et al. (2001: appendix) + e-impurity from *Yakovlev & Urpin*.

$\Gamma < \Gamma_l$ :

- 1**: e-ion from *Itoh et al.*
- 2**: e-ion from *Itoh et al.*
- 3**: e-ion from Gnedin et al. (2001: appendix).

$\Gamma_l < \Gamma < \Gamma_c$ :

interpolate between the two previous cases (to avoid a discontinuity in  $\lambda$  in cases 1 & 2).  
[If you set  $\Gamma_l = \Gamma_c$  then, of course, there will be no interpolation !]

If  $\rho < 10^7 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$  (“envelope”): none of the above, just use Potekhin et al. (1999).

After all this the e-e scattering contribution (Shternin & Yakovlev 2006) is added.

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$\Gamma_c = \text{gammacryst} > \text{gammaliq} = \Gamma_l$  are defined in the included file `gamma_limits.inc.f`

[If you changes these values you MUST recompile all the fortran files: `rm -f *.o` and then `make NSCool.out`)]

**I\_Heat\_\*.dat**



**I\_Bfield\_0.dat**



**I\_Accretion\_\*.dat**



```

I_Accretion_10yr-1000yr-0.1Edd.dat

ACCRETION RATE CONTROL:-----
2          i_acc      1=FREDs 2=STEPS
0.1        m_dot0     m_dot_max
1.0d7      t_acc0     Onset of accretion in years
1000.      t_acc1     Burst recurrence time in years
10.        t_acc2     Burst time-scale in years
3.         alpha_acc  !power law index for the decay
1.e-4      time_step_min Minimal time step (years) at beginning and end of accretion
0.2        eta_Edd   : fraction of accreted mass going into X-ray luminosity
0.7        X_Edd     : H mass fraction of accreted matter

year = 3.1557600d7 seconds

-:-- I_Accretion_10yr-1000yr-0.1Edd.dat All (1,0) (Fundamental)

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These parameters are used by the accretion subroutines, in file `accretion.f`.  
See *NSCool\_Guide\_Accretion* for details.