## Part 2



#### **Stochastic excitation mechanism**



### Stochastically excitated high order p-modes



#### **Bison solar power spectrum**



Brown et al. 1991 Kjeldsen & Bedding 1995

#### high order modes $\rightarrow$ asymptotic behaviour



SOHO – Global Oscillation at Low Frequencies

Brown et al. 1991 Kjeldsen & Bedding 1995

### Stochastically excitated high order p-modes

thousands of observed pressure modes





http://sohowww.nascom.nasa.gov/gallery/Helioseismology/mdi005.html

## Forward problem : We have a stellar structure What are its frequencies?

## Inverse problem : We have frequencies What is the stellar structure?

## **Inversion of frequencies**

**Data :** a huge set of observed frequencies :

$$v_{obs,i}$$
 i = 1, ..., n



#### First approximation theoretical model : $c_0^2$ (r)

Inversion method  $\Rightarrow$  find  $\delta c^2$  such that  $c_0^2(r) + \delta c^2$  fits  $v_{obs,i}$ 

### **Inversion of frequencies**



### **Success of helioseismology**



Convective envelope inner boundary  $(0.287\pm0.001) R_{\odot}$ 

### Solar internal rotation



#### Differential rotation in the convective zone Solid rotation in the radiative zone

## Trouble in paradise

see M. Asplund 's 2<sup>nd</sup> lecture

## 2. Solar-like stars

#### **Stochastic excitation mechanism**





Ventura, Zeppieri, Mazzitelli & D'Antona 1998



#### CoRoT target HD49933



## 3. Red giant stars

#### **Stochastic excitation mechanism**



# CoRoT discovers a whole orchestra of red giants

#### Radial and non radial modes

De Ridder et al. 2009, Nature 459, 398







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## Solar-like oscillations in ~ 1400 red giants in LRc01 exofield

Hekker et al. 2009 A&A, 506, 465 Mosser et al. 2010 A&A, 517, 22

## Seismology of stellar populations

#### Seismo Field

#### **Exo Field**

 few (~ 10) well constrained bright targets



Detailed seismology of chosen targets  Seismic constraints for hundreds of pulsating stars (11 < m<sub>v</sub> <15)</li>



Seismology of populations of stars!

## A Determination of global parameters Study stellar populations

Distance estimation

## **CoRoT red giants: synthetic population**

Population Synthesis software: TRILEGAL (TRIdimensional modeL of thEGALaxy, Girardi et al. 2005)

The ingredients:

- Stellar Models
- Initial Mass Function
- Stellar Formation Rate
- Age-Metallity Relation
- Morphology galaxy

*Predictions on seismic properties of the observed population of red giants* 

$$\nu_{\rm max} = \frac{M/M_{\odot}}{(R/R_{\odot})^2 \sqrt{T_{\rm eff}/5777K}} 3.05 \text{ mHz}$$

$$\Delta \nu = \sqrt{\frac{M/M_{\odot}}{(R/R_{\odot})^3}}$$
134.9 $\mu$ Hz

**Red giant population NOW** 

### Red giants: population study



## Red giant population NOW: $\nu_{\text{max}}$ and $\Delta\nu$



## CoRoT red giants: $\nu_{\text{max}}$ and $\Delta\nu$



## Red giants: population study



#### Recent burst 0-1 Gyr (e.g Rocha-Pinto et al. 2000)



## CoRoT red giants: population study





## We can identify Red Clump stars from their $v_{max}$ and $\Delta v$

Miglio et al. 2009 A&A 503, L21

 $v_{max} + \Delta v + Te$  **M, R** 

CoRoT Lra01 (I,b)=(212,-2)



#### CoRoT Lra01 vs. Lrc01 (I,b)=(212,-2) (I,b)=(37,-7)



Mosser et a. 2010, Miglio et al. 2010

## **Red Clump Stars: Distance Indicators**



$$v_{max} \sim 25 - 40 \ \mu Hz$$
 : Red Clump Stars  
 $L_{RC} \sim constant \rightarrow$   
asteroseismic distance indicator
# **CoRoT and KEPLER**

- □ CoRoT:
  □ I ~ 35° or I ~ 215°
   slightly different b
  □ Kepler
  □ I ~ 75°, 7° ≤ b ≤ 20°
  ❑ Structure of the galaxy
- Metallicity distribution
  - radially
  - in depth



Artist's concept view of the MW - Image credit: NASA/JPL-Caltech

# B

#### Probe the internal structure of giants

- Interpretation of patterns in the acoustic spectrum
- Detection of acoustic glitches

# **Red giants: evolutionary models**



#### Montalban et al. 2010, AN

# **Red giants: propagation diagram**



# **Structural differences**



the evanescent zone is much smaller in He burning models than in ascending ones → more interaction between p and g modes



Montalban et al. 2010, AN

#### CoRoT exofield LRc01 : theoretical pattern



Montalban et al. 2010, ApJL

#### CoRoT exofield LRc01 : observations



#### theory versus observations



#### Red giants: acoustic glitches



#### CoRoT target HR7349

V=5.8  $\pi$ = 9.64 ± 0.34 L=69 ± 7 L<sub>☉</sub> T<sub>eff</sub>=4700 ± 100 K [Fe/H]=-0.1 ± 0.1

# HR 7349: CoRoT observations

CoRoT target seismo-field long run

19 modes detected 18-40 µHz



# Periodic component in v



# Periodic component in v

Clear signature of an acoustic glitch in the star

$$\delta v = A(v) \cos (4\pi t_* v + \varphi)$$

$$t_* = \int_{r_*}^{R} dr/c$$

$$\tau_* = \tau_0 - t_* = 1/(2\Delta v) - t_*$$
acoustic depth
Period
Acoustic depth (\*)

## **Acoustic glitches**

#### The solar case



Acoustic radius of base of the CZ Hell ionization zone

#### Possible for other stars?

Perez Hernandez & Christensen-Dalsgaard 1998 Roxburgh&Vorontsov, 1998 Monteiro et al. 1998, 2000 Mazumdar&Antia 2001 Ballot et al. 2004 Basu et al. 2004 Verner et al. 2006 Houdek & Gough 2007 Mazumdar & Michel 2010



 $c^2 = \Gamma_1 \frac{P}{\rho}$ 



### **Acoustic glitches**





## **Acoustic glitches**



# 4. SPB stars

#### κ-mechanism in the « iron » bump



## Period spacing in high order g-modes

A sharp feature in the Brunt-Väisälä frequency shows up as a sinusoidal component in the g-mode period spacing

The period is related to the location of the sharp feature

The period  $\mathbf{Y}$  if the extent of the  $\mu$ -gradient  $[\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_{\mu}]$ 

chemical composition discontinuities in WD Montgomery et al. 2003

> Miglio, Montalban, Noels & Eggenberger 2008 Gough 1993; Brassard et al. 1992; Berthomieu & Provost 1988; Dziembowski et al. 1993







#### Miglio, Montalban, Noels & Eggenberger 2008

#### SPB

Is the extra mixing due to

- instantaneous overshooting
- diffusive overshooting
- rotational mixing ?

With a smoother sharp feature, the amplitude of the oscillation in period spacing is modulated by a factor  $1/P_k$ 





Miglio, Montalban, Noels & Eggenberger 2008

#### CoRoT target HD50230

#### First detection of an oscillatory component in the g-mode period spacing of an SPB star



# 5. B Cephei stars

#### κ-mechanism and stochastic excitation

 $\beta$  Cephei stars

- MS B stars 7-20 M<sub>☉</sub> conv core/rad env
- mixed p-g modes periods : 3 – 8 h

**Physics tested** 

- overshooting
- diffusion
- rotation



#### Success

#### HD 129929 = V836 Cen 20 yr observations



### **Problems in our Galaxy**

- Theoretical models are unable to excite high frequency modes
- Seismic fitting requires very large overshooting parameter

v Eri → Handler et al. 2004, Aerts et al. 2004, De Ridder et al. 2004, Jerzykiewicz et al. 2005, Pamyatnykh et al. 2004

**12 Lac** → Handler et al. 2006, Desmet et al. 2007, Desmet et al. 2009, Ausseloos et al. 2005

● Oph → Handler et al. 2005, Briquet et al. 2005, Briquet et al. 2007, Daszkiewicz & Walczak 2009

# SPB and $\beta$ Cephei instability strips

## Strong influence of the metallicity







However, candidates SPB and  $\beta$  Cephei in the SMC -  $Z \sim 0.0024$ 



### **Possible solutions**

- **High metallicity in SMC**  $\beta$  Cep stars
- Accumulation of iron in the opacity bump at 2. 10<sup>5</sup> K
- Physics: underestimation of the opacity


## **Another success**





### Solar-like oscillations $v \sim 100-300 \ \mu$ Hz



Belkacem et al. 2009, Science

# 6. B supergiants

### κ-mechanism in the « iron » bump



# **Supergiant internal structure**

high density large BV frequency strong damping

most g-modes are damped in a post MS star

### к-mechanism

Driving region

**H** burning shell

Radiative

He core

Saio et <u>al. 2006</u>

After core H-burning,  $\rho$  becomes very large in the contracting He core



# **Radiative damping**



# Supergiant internal structure

# The κ-mechanism in the superficial layers is sufficient to excite some g-modes

## But...

An intermediate convective zone (ICZ) can prevent some g-modes from entering the radiative core

# Mass loss and/or overshooting can prevent the appearance of an ICZ

Saio et al. 2006

see G. Meynet 's lectures

Radiative

He

core



Godart et al. 2009



Godart et al. 2009



Godart et al. 2009



# 7. O stars

### stochastic and strange mode excitation

• MS and post MS very massive stars

**O** stars

- solar like oscillations
- strange modes ???

#### **Physics tested**

- radiation pressure
- mass loss



### A CoRoT O star HD 46149

### **Binary system composed of**

- a primary O8.5 V star (Mv= 7.6, vsini = 79km/s)
  - a suspected hot B type companion

Mahy et al. 2009

- CoRoT lightcurve : signature of low order p-modes
- frequency spacing =  $\Delta v_0/2$

solar-like oscillations

Degroote et al. 2009

# Strange modes

Wood 1976 Shibahashi and Osaki 1981 Glatzel, Kiriakidis 1993 Kiriakidis, et al. 1993 Saio et al. 1998







#### **CoRoT stars HD50064 : a strange mode candidate** (Aerts et al. 2010)

# Conclusions

Asteroseismology is indeed a tool to unveil stellar interiors

Much more to be learned with MOST, CoRoT, KEPLER, PLATO and SONG

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