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Nuclear reactions in accreting neutron stars at FRIB

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Accreting neutron stars exhibit a broad range of nuclear reactions, from the rapid proton capture process in X-ray bursts at the surface to electron captures, neutron reactions, and fusion of neutron rich nuclei in the outer crust. These reactions give rise to a range of dynamic observables. At rare isotope beam facilities such as FRIB at MSU many of these reactions can now be studied. I will review the nuclear physics of accreting neutron stars, its link to observables, and results and prospects of experiments at FRIB to study these reactions.

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