

Neutron Stars as Nuclear Physics Laboratory

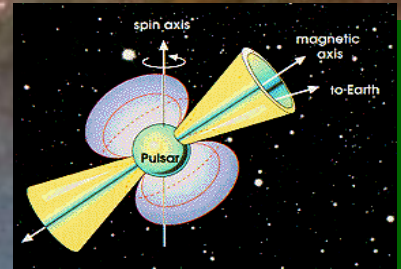
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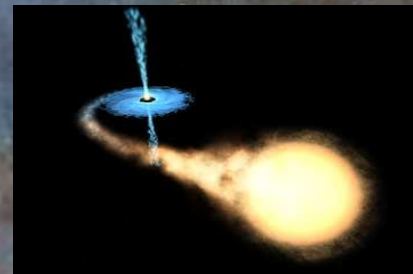


Neutron Star Zoo

>2000 neutron stars in isolated rotation-powered pulsars
~ 30 millisecond pulsars



>100 neutron stars in accretion-powered X-ray binaries
~ 50 x-ray pulsar
intense X-ray bursters (thermonuclear flashes)

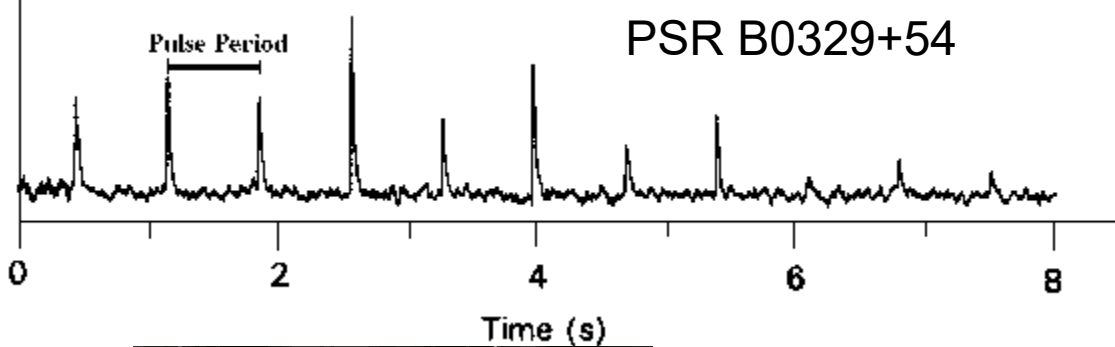


short gamma-ray bursts
neutron star -- neutron star,
neutron star -- black-hole mergers

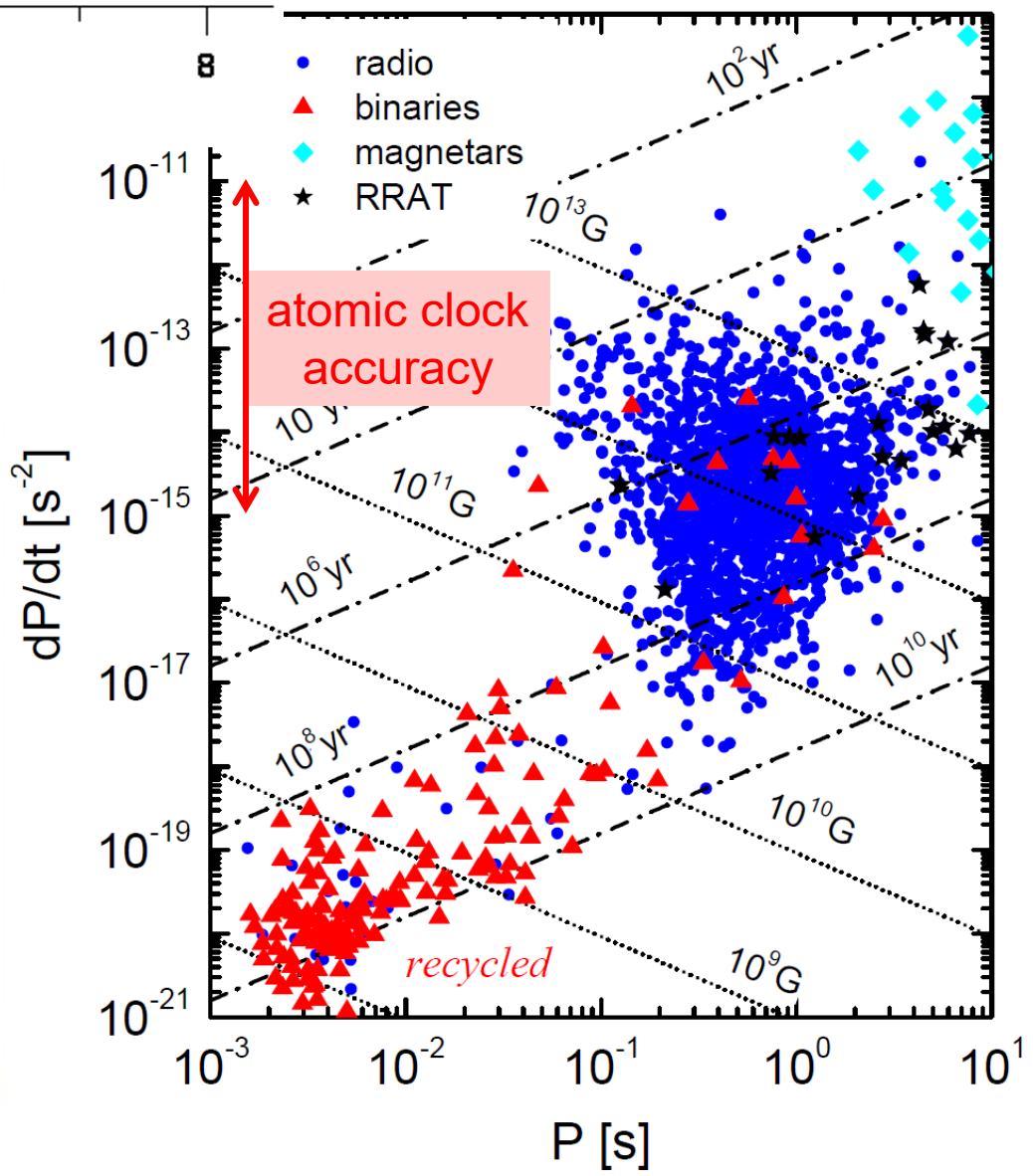
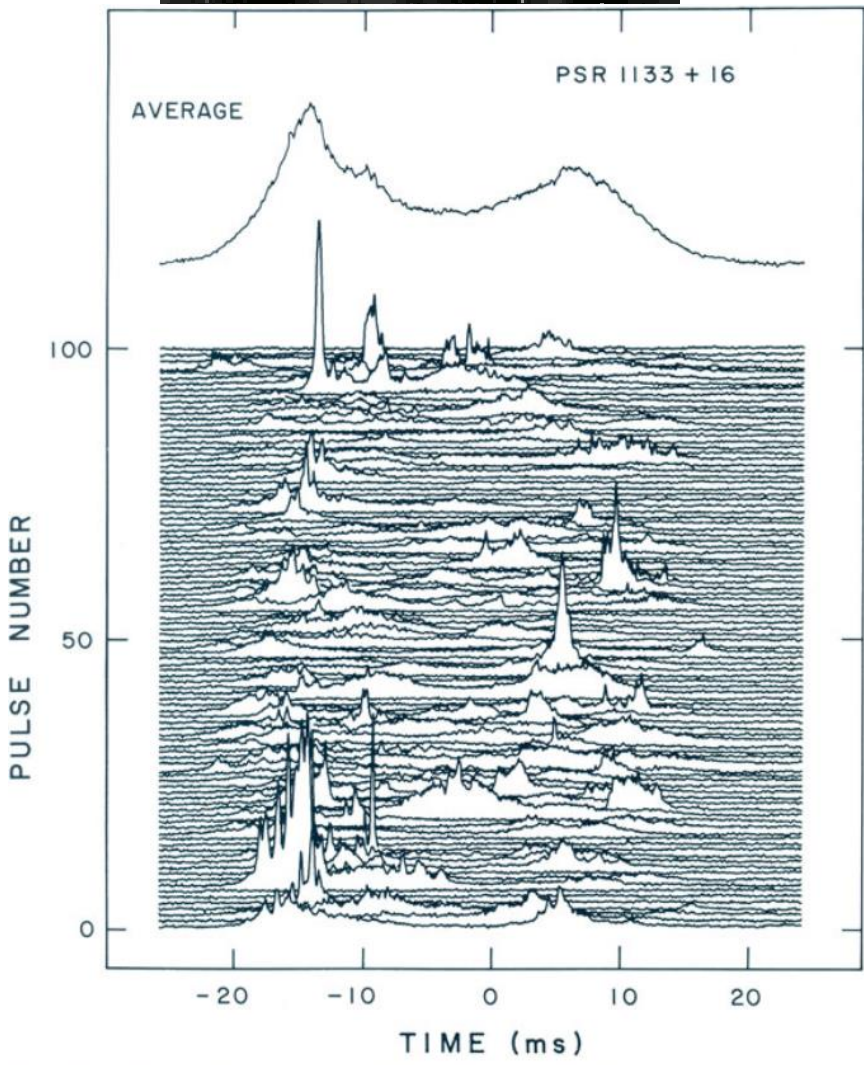


soft gamma-ray repeaters – magnetars
(super-strong magnetic fields)





Pulsar timing



Measuring pulsar mass

Pulsar mass can be measured only in binary systems

$$\frac{(M_1 \sin i)^3}{(M_1 + M_2)^2} = \left(\frac{2\pi}{P_b}\right)^2 \frac{(a_1 \sin i)^3}{G}$$



Newton gravity \longrightarrow 5 Keplerian orbital parameters:
orbital period, semi-major axis length, excentricity, ...

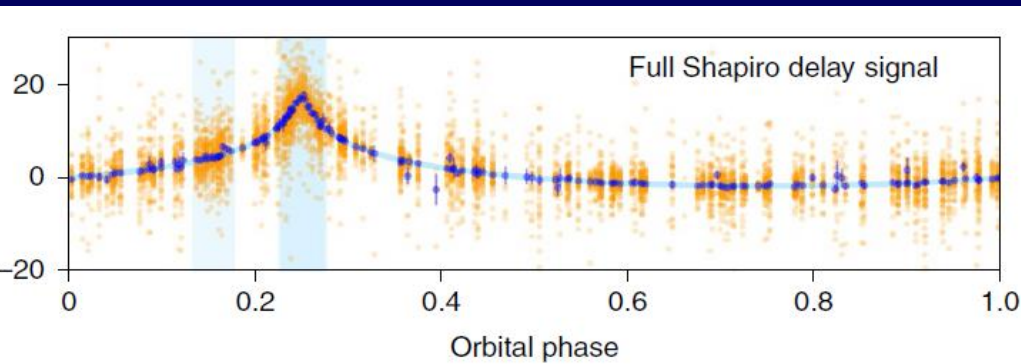
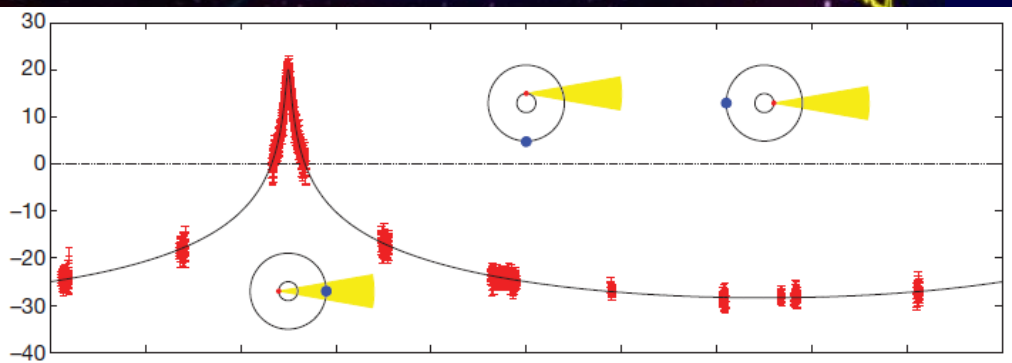
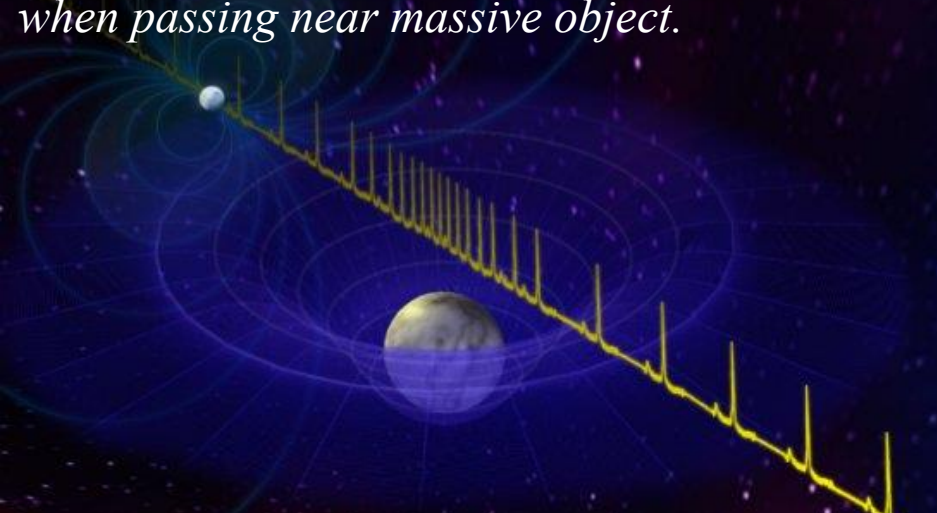
Do not determine individual masses of stars and the orbital inclination.

Einstein gravity \longrightarrow 5 potentially measurable post-Keplerian parameters:
orbit precession, Shapiro delay, gravitational redshift,

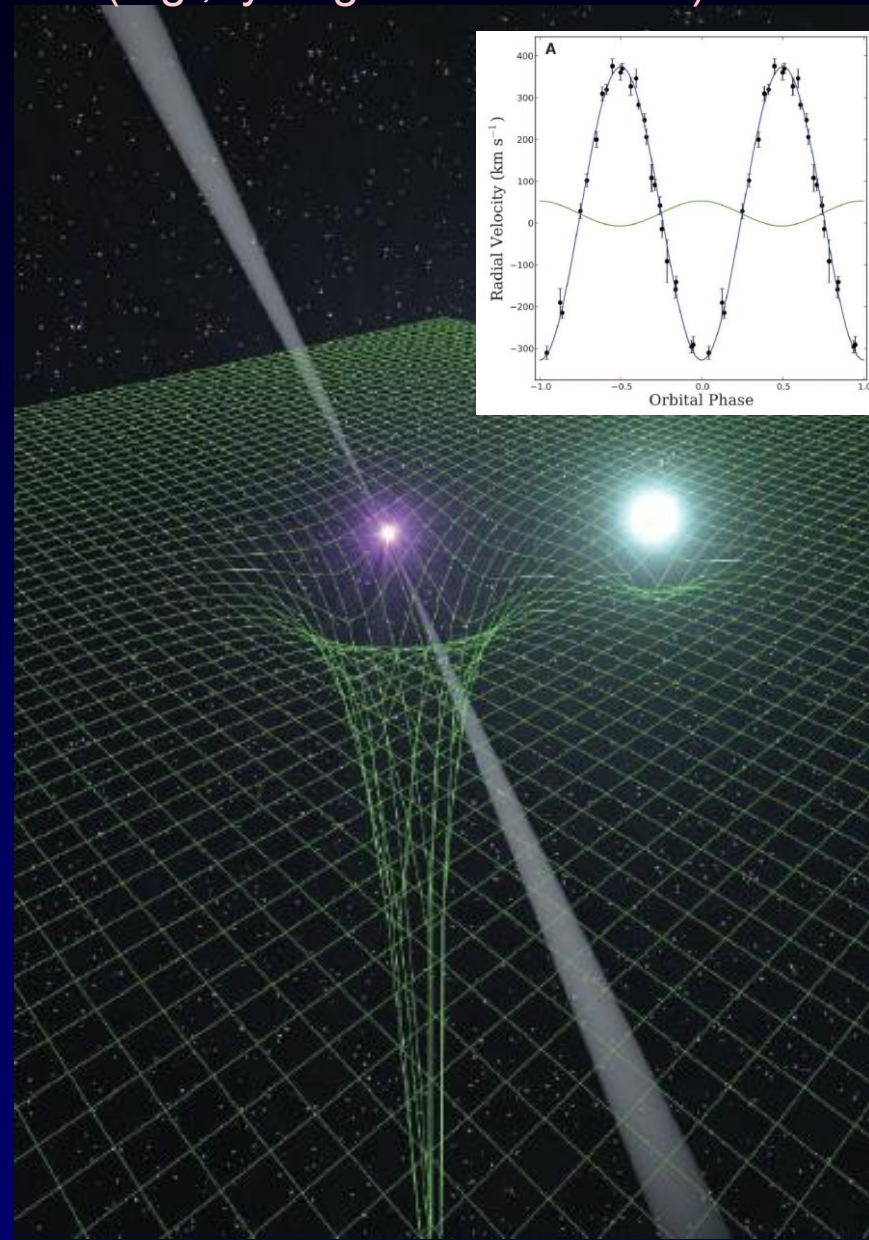
Measurement of any 2 post-Keplerian parameters allows to determine the mass of each star.

Shapiro Delay

*Time signal is getting delayed
when passing near massive object.*

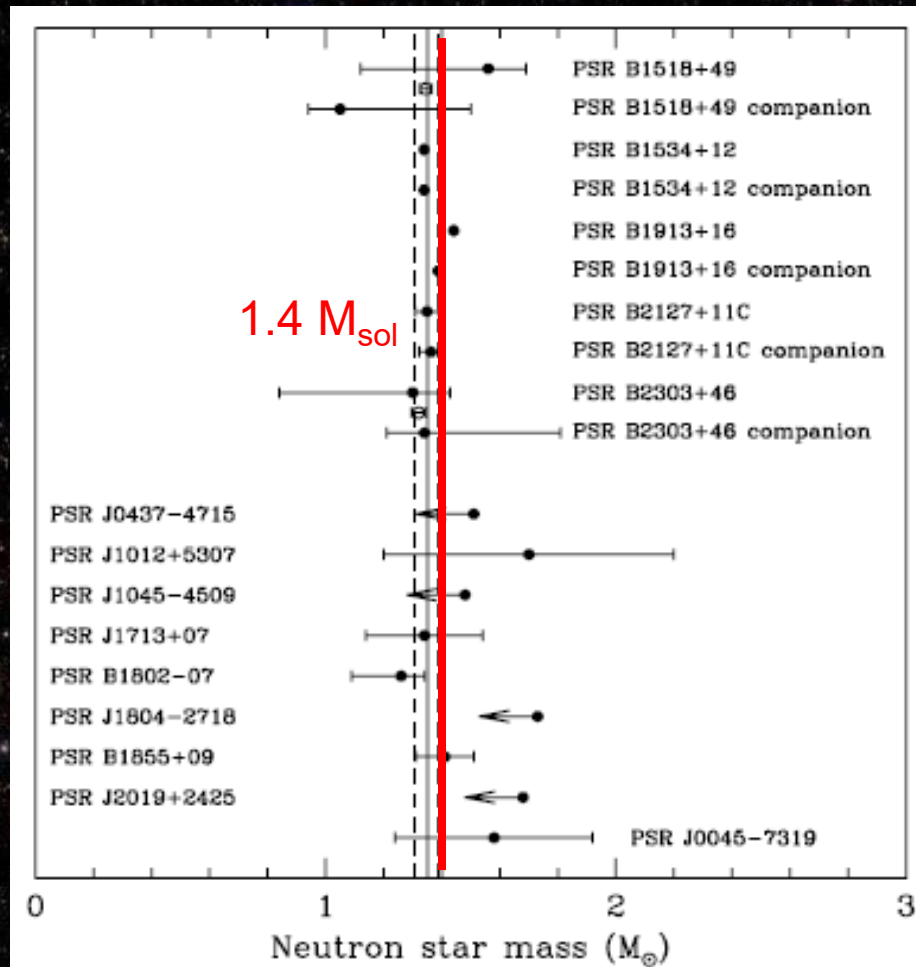


Measured Phase-Resolved Spectra
of the optical counterpart.
(e.g., hydrogen Balmer lines)



Neutron star masses

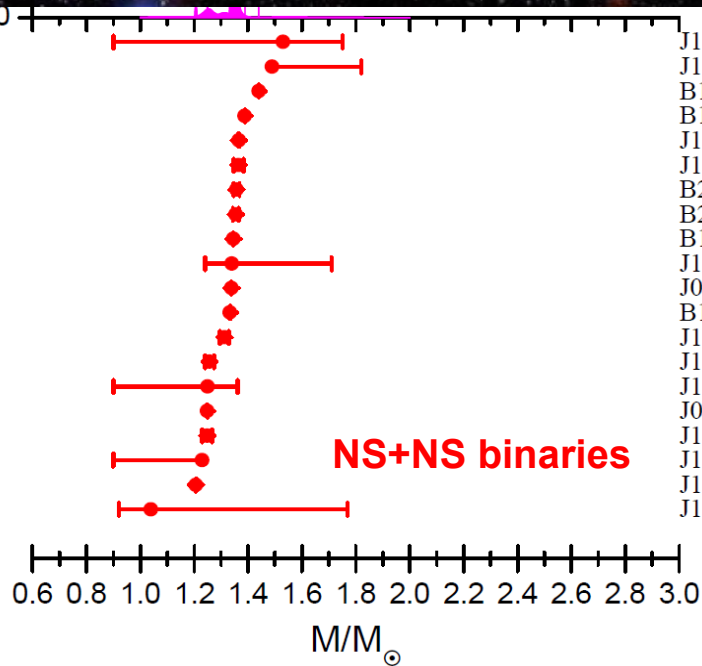
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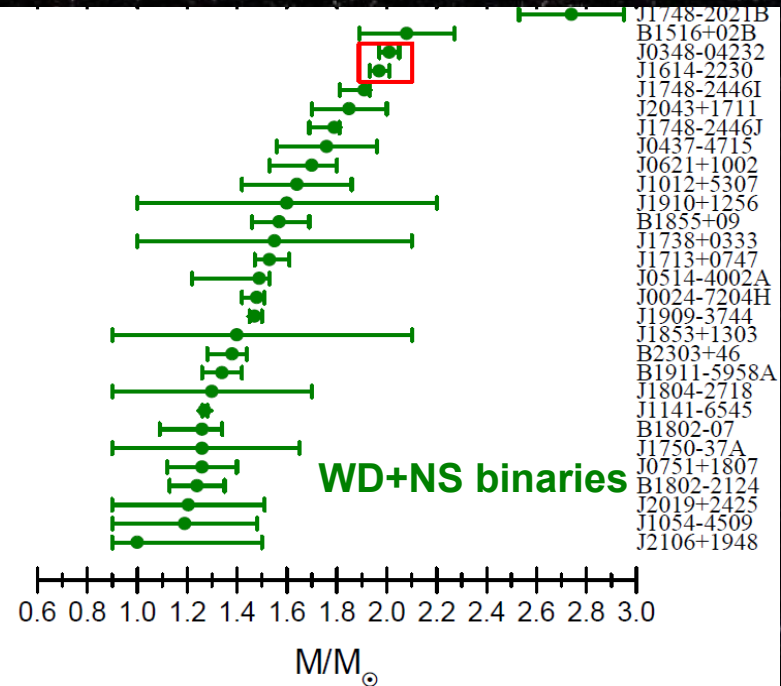
Are masses of all NS the same?

2020s

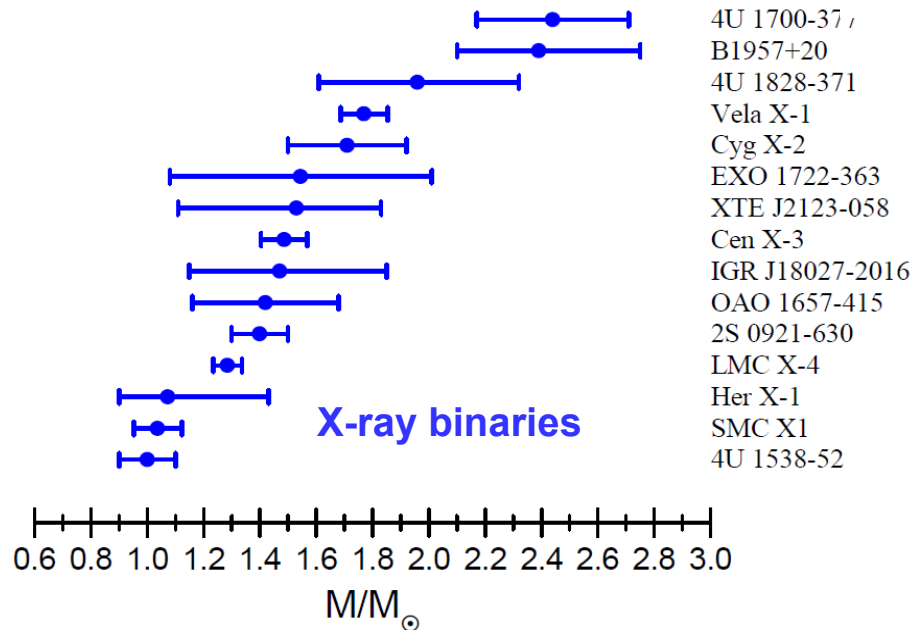
Neutron star masses



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J1518+4904(c)
B1913+16
B1913+16(c)
J1807-2500B
J1906+0746(c)
B2127+11C
B2127+11C(c)
B1534+12(c)
J1829+2456(c)
J0737-3039A
B1534+12
J1756-2251
J1756-2251(c)
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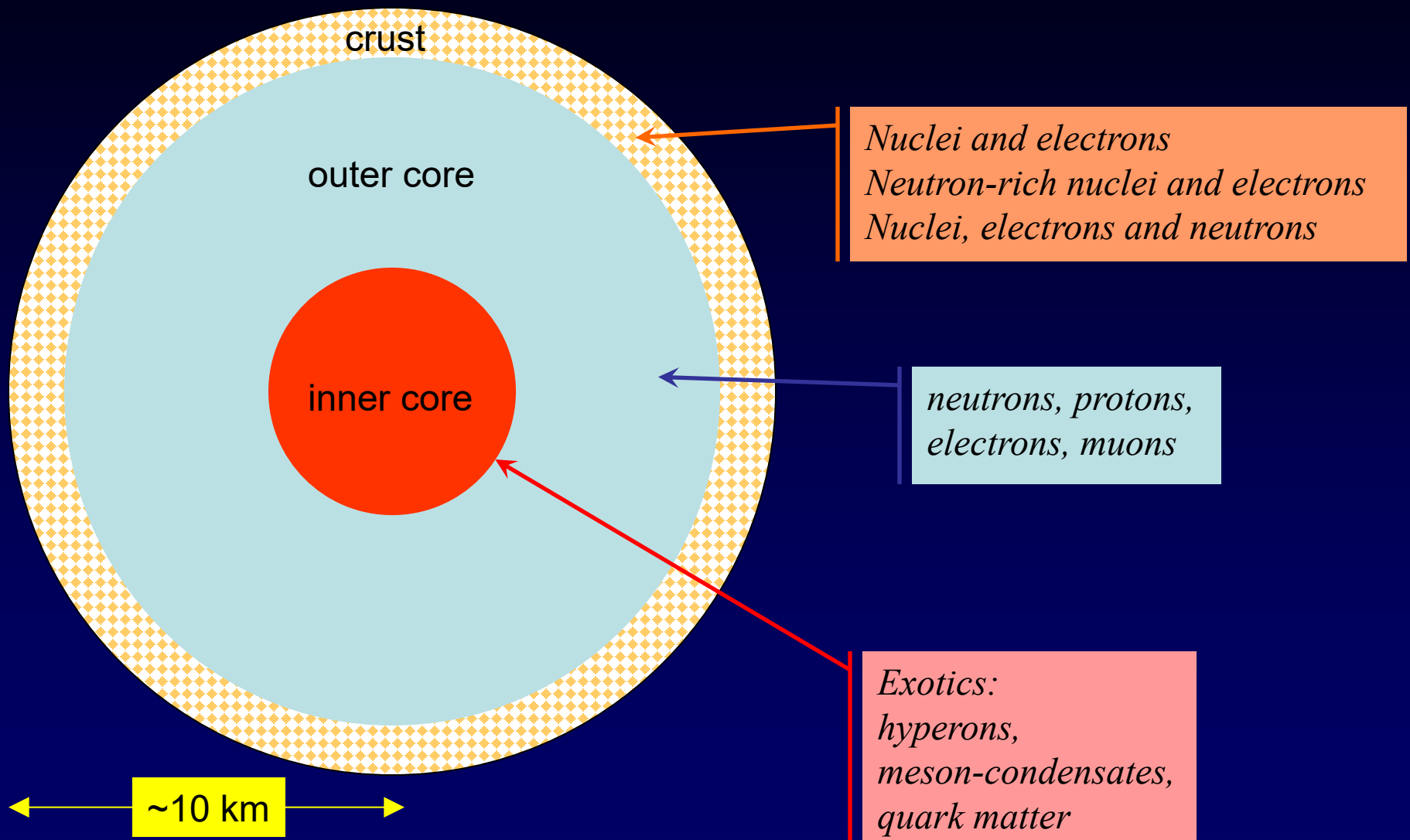
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J0621+1002
J1012+5307
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J1909-3744
J1853+1303
B2303+46
B1911-5958A
J1804-2718
J1141-6545
B1802-07
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B1802-2124
J2019+2425
J1054-4509
J2106+1948



4U 1700-37,
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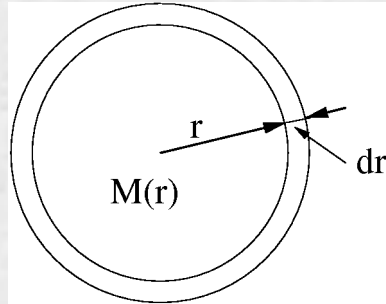
- Neutron star masses can be very different
- A neutron star can be heavier than $2 M_{\text{sol}}$

Cross section of a neutron star



Tolman-Oppenheimer-Volkov equation

Equilibrium condition for a shell in a non-rotating neutron star



$$S_{\Omega}(r) dp = dF_G \quad \text{Newton's Law}$$

$$4\pi r^2 dp = G \frac{M(r) dM}{r^2} \quad dM = 4\pi r^2 \varepsilon(p) dr$$

INPUT: equation of state (EoS)

$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon(p) \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{cases} p = p(n) \\ \varepsilon = \varepsilon(n) \end{cases}$$

boundary conditions: $\varepsilon(r = 0) = \varepsilon_c, \quad M(r = 0) = 0, \quad P(r = R) = 0$

OUTPUT:

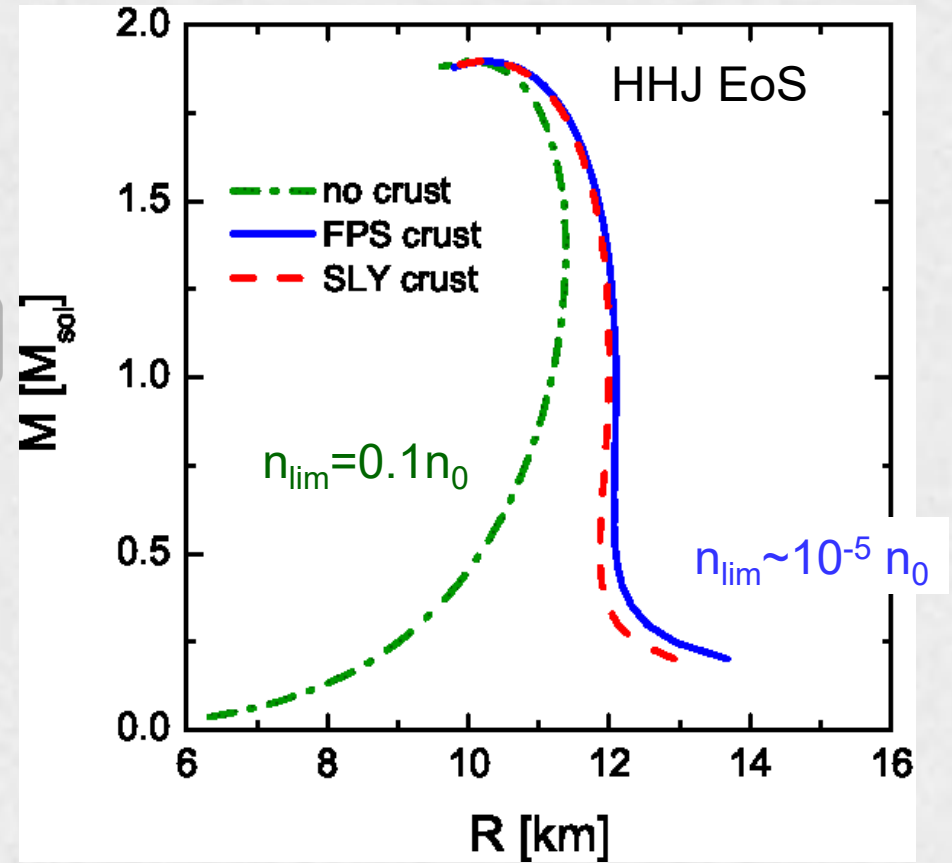
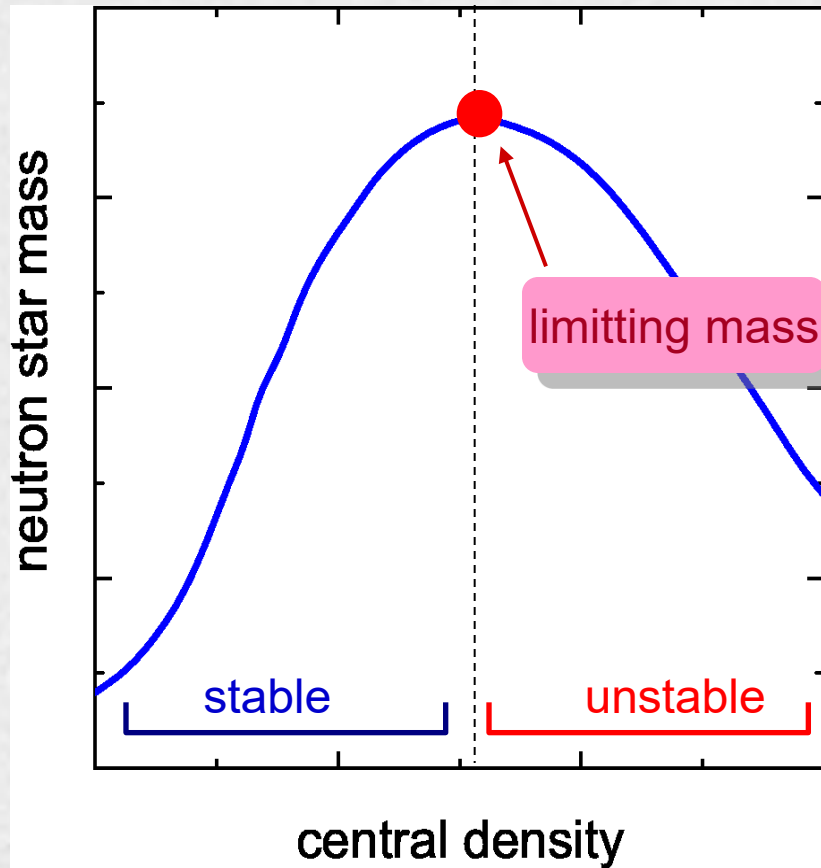
neutron star density profile, radius R and mass M

relativistic corrections

$$\frac{dp}{dr} = -\frac{G \varepsilon M}{r^2} \left(1 + \frac{p}{\varepsilon}\right) \left(1 + \frac{4\pi P r^3}{M}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\rho = \varepsilon/c^2$$

Neutron star configuration



uncertainty in $R \sim 10^3$ m

Oppenheimer-Volkoff mapping

[Lindblom ApJ 398 (1992) 569]

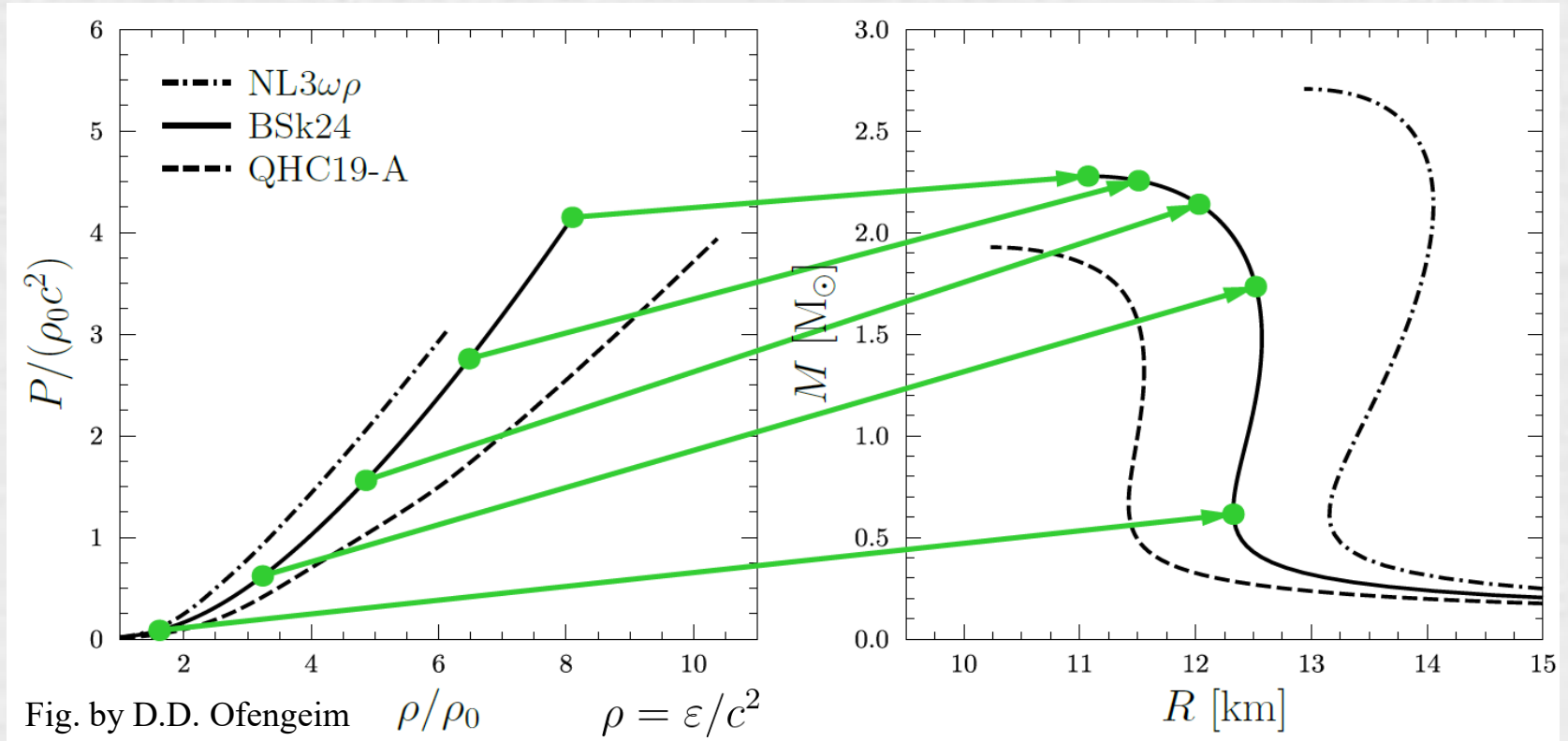
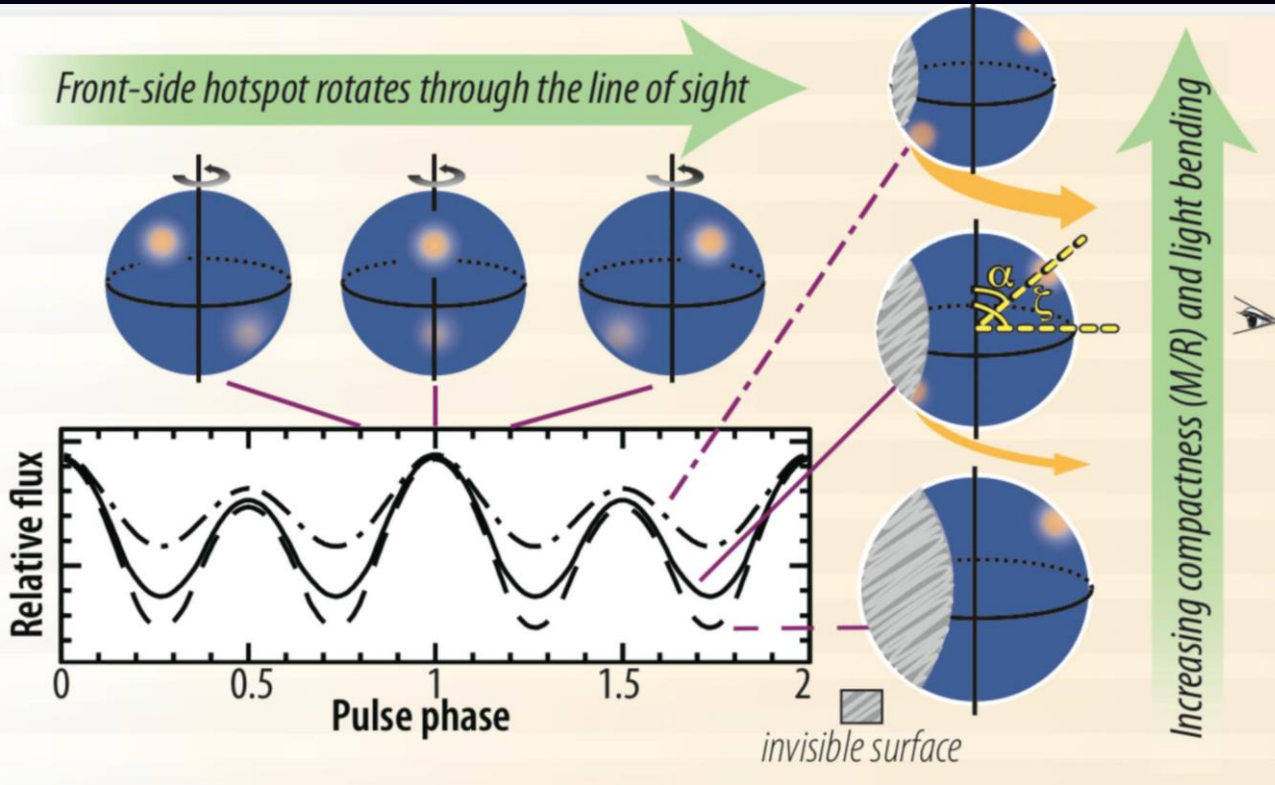


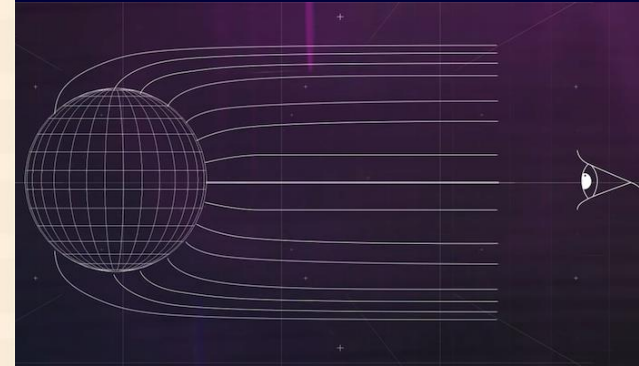
Fig. by D.D. Ofengeim

- One can unambiguously restore the $P(\rho)$ function from the $M - R$ relation, if the latter is known for every mass
- The maximum NS mass (TOV limit) exists for every EoS
- Stiffer EoSs shift the $M - R$ curve to higher masses and radii

The Neutron Star Interior Composition Explorer Mission (NICER)



Lightcurve modeling constrains the compactness (GM/Rc^2) and viewing geometry of a non-accreting millisecond pulsar



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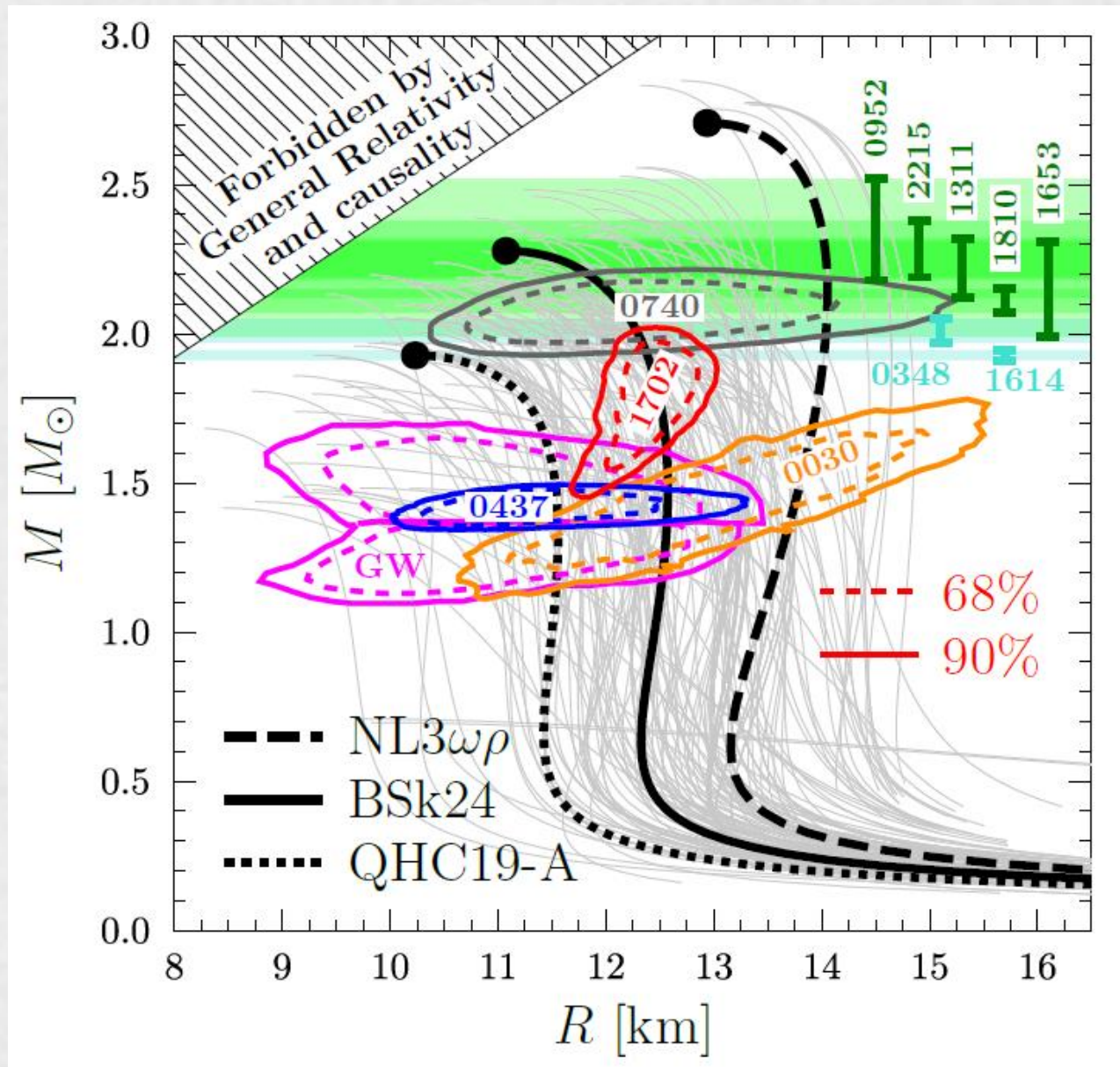
Thomas E. Riley *et al* 2021 *ApJL* **918** L27

$$R = 12.39^{+1.30}_{-0.98} \text{ km and } M = 2.072^{+0.067}_{-0.066} M_{\text{sol}}$$

M. C. Miller *et al* 2021 *ApJL* **918** L28

$$R = 13.7^{+2.6}_{-1.5} \text{ km and } M = 2.08 \pm 0.07 M_{\text{sol}}$$

- Selected NS mass and radius measurements
in comparison with $M - R$ relations for various EoSs



Equation of state of nuclear matter

The energy per nucleon of the nuclear matter

$$E(n_p, n_n) = E_0(n) + E_S(n) \frac{(n_p - n_n)^2}{n^2}$$

n_p – proton number density

n_n – neutron number density

$$n = n_p + n_n$$

- nuclear matter parameters

$$E_0(n) = E_0 + 0 + \frac{K}{18} \frac{(n - n_0)^2}{n_0^2} + \frac{Q}{162} \frac{(n - n_0)^3}{n_0^3} + O\left(\frac{(n - n_0)^4}{n_0^4}\right)$$

$$n_0 \approx 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}, \quad E_0 \approx -16 \text{ MeV}, \quad K \approx 230 \pm 30 \text{ MeV}, \quad Q < 0$$

symmetry energy

$$E_S(n) = \underset{\substack{\nearrow \\ S_0}}{J} + \frac{L}{3} \frac{n - n_0}{n_0} + \frac{K_{\text{sym}}}{18} \frac{(n - n_0)^2}{n_0^2} + \frac{Q_{\text{sym}}}{162} \frac{(n - n_0)^3}{n_0^3} + O\left(\frac{(n - n_0)^4}{n_0^4}\right)$$

There is a correlation among parameters: J, L, K_{sym}

● *Correlations among parameters L-J*

$$\varepsilon_S[n] = J + \frac{L}{3} \frac{n - n_0}{n_0} + \frac{K_{\text{sym}}}{18} \frac{(n - n_0)^2}{n_0^2} + \dots$$

Masses: UNEDF0 Skyrme DF+BHF
[Kortelainen *et al.*, PRC **82**, 024313 (2010)]

Isobaric analog states+isovector skin:
[Danielewicz *et al.* NPA 958, 147 (2017)]

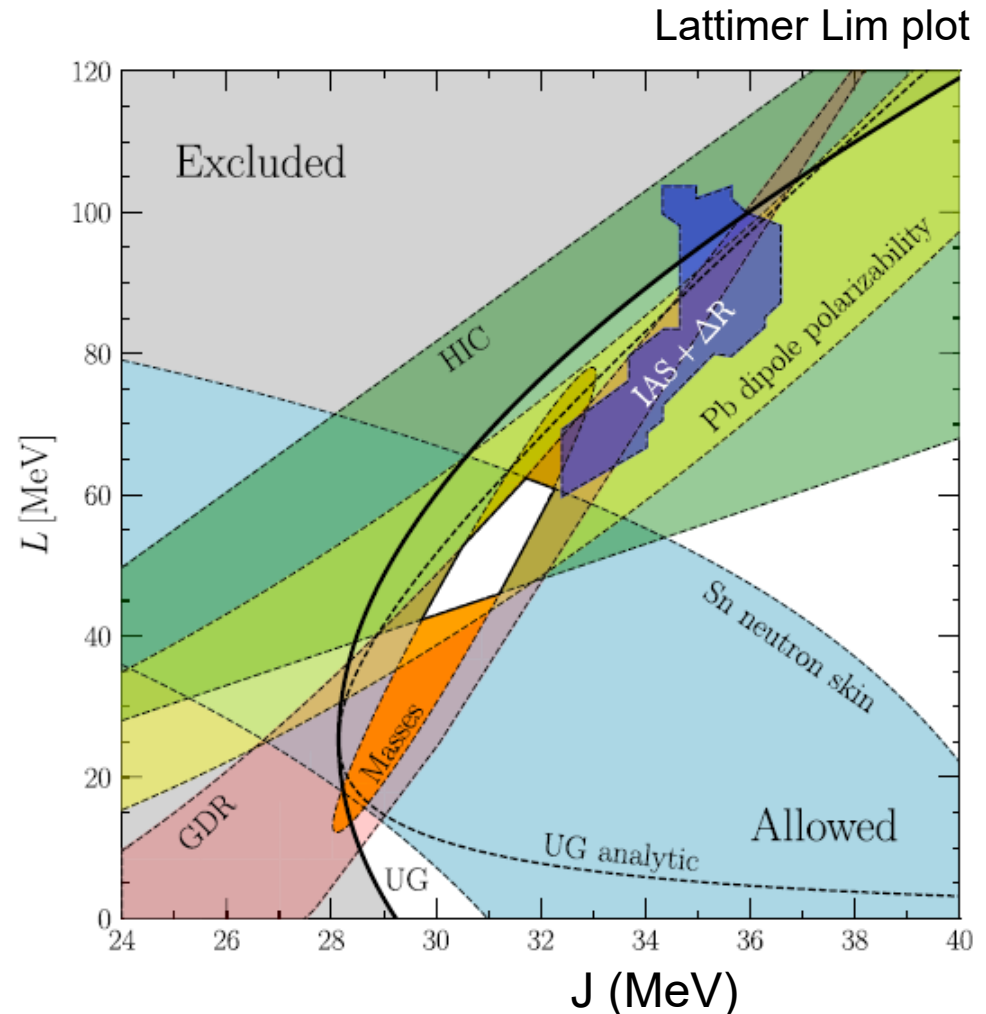
Pb dipole polarizability:
[Roca-Maza *et al.*, PRC **88**, 024316 (2013)]

Sn neutron skin:
[Chen *et al.*, PRC **82**, 024321 (2010)]

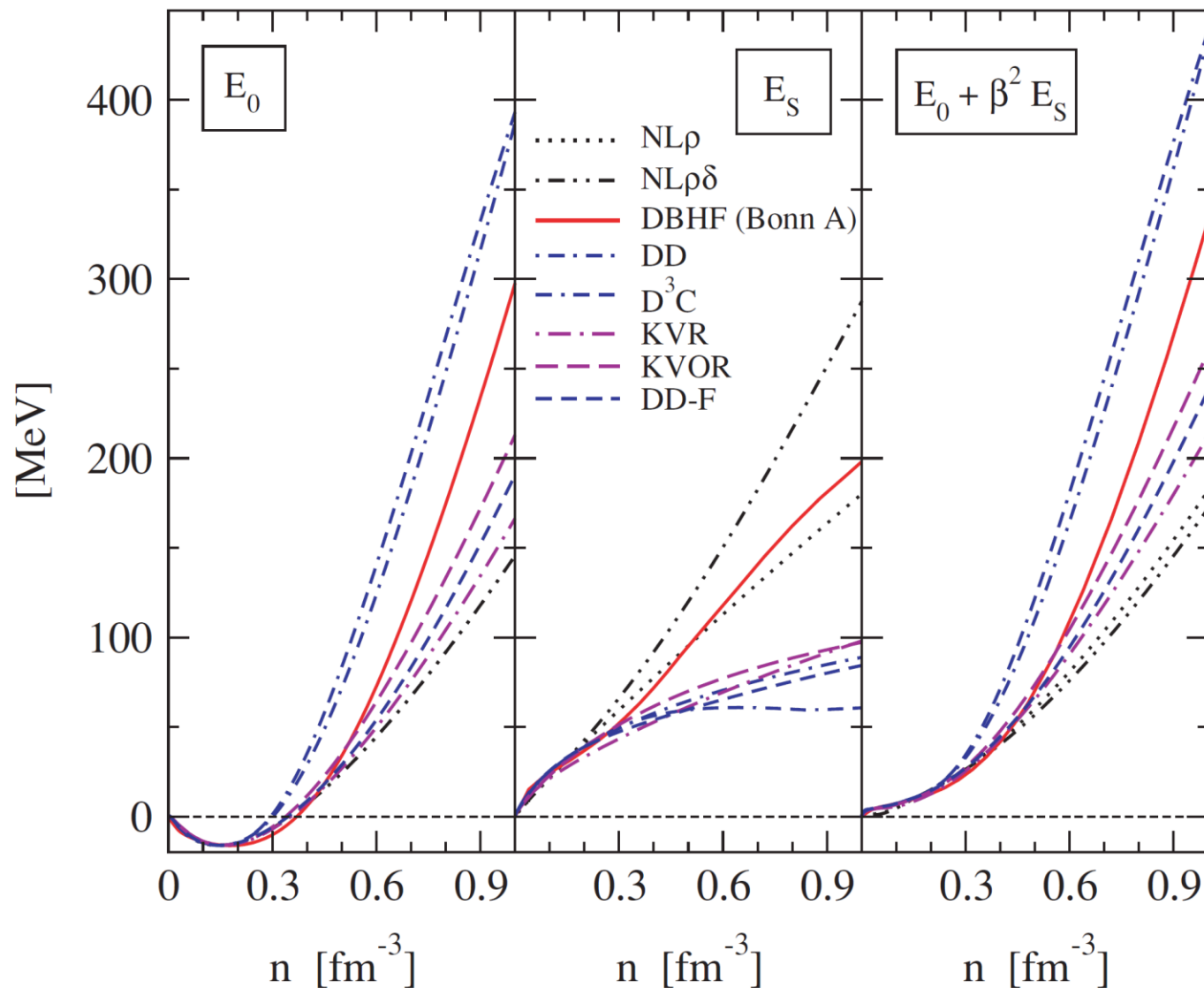
GDR:
[Trippa *et al.*, PRC **77**, 061304 (2008)]

Isospin diffusion in HIC
[Tsang *et al.*, PRL 102, 122701 (2009)]

Behind all calculation are particular models for NN interactions and many-body techniques



Equation of state of nuclear matter



Neutron star composition

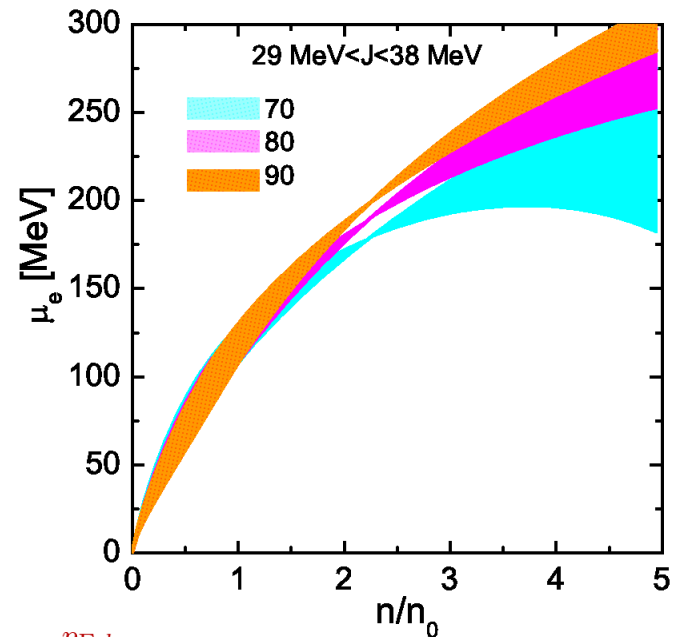
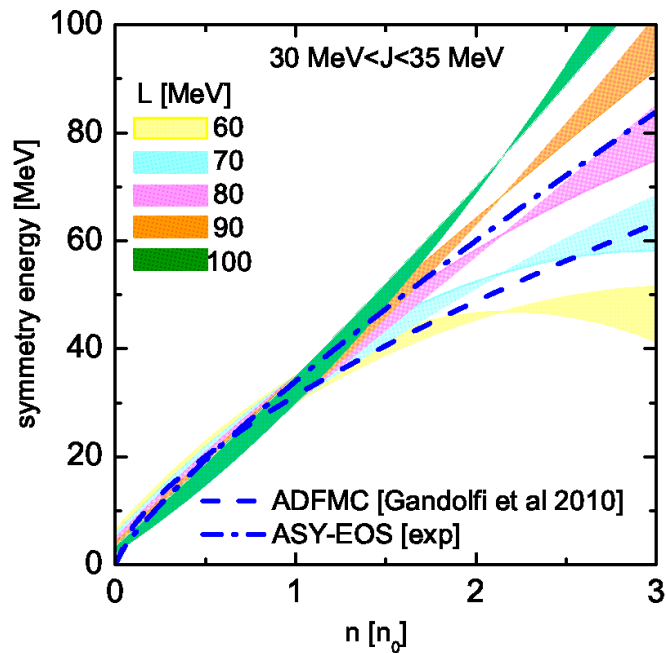
chemical potentials: $\mu_n = \frac{\partial E(n_p, n_n)}{\partial n_n} = \frac{\partial E(n, x)}{\partial n} - \frac{x}{n} \frac{\partial E(n, x)}{\partial x}$ $\mu_p = \frac{\partial E(n_p, n_n)}{\partial n_p} = \frac{\partial E(n, x)}{\partial n} + \frac{1-x}{n} \frac{\partial E(n, x)}{\partial x}$

Condition of the beta equilibrium $n \leftrightarrow p + e^-$ $n \leftrightarrow p + \mu^-$ $\mu^- \leftrightarrow e^-$ $x = n_p/n$

$\mu_n = \mu_p + \mu_e$ $\mu_\mu = \mu_e$ $\mu_e = \mu_n - \mu_p = -\frac{1}{n} \frac{\partial E(n, x)}{\partial x} = 4 E_S(n) (1 - 2x)$

equation for the proton concentration

$$n_e(\mu_e) + n_\mu(\mu_e) = \frac{(\mu_e^2 - m_e^2)^{3/2}}{3\pi^2} + \frac{(\mu_e^2 - m_\mu^2)^{3/2}}{3\pi^2} = n_p = x n$$



$$E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{nucl}} + E_{\text{lept}} = E_{\text{nucl}} + \sum_{l=e,\mu} \int_0^{p_{F,l}} \frac{2d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \sqrt{m_l^2 + p^2}$$

Relativistic mean-field models

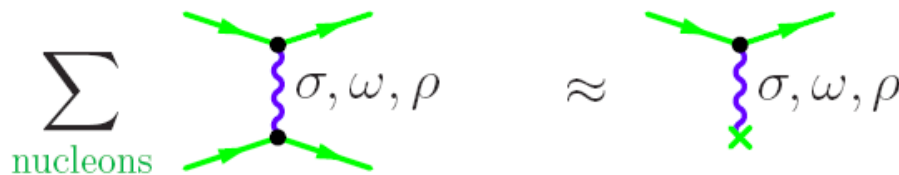
nucleon-nucleon interaction

vacuum: one boson-exchange for NN-potential
+ Lippmann-Schwinger equations

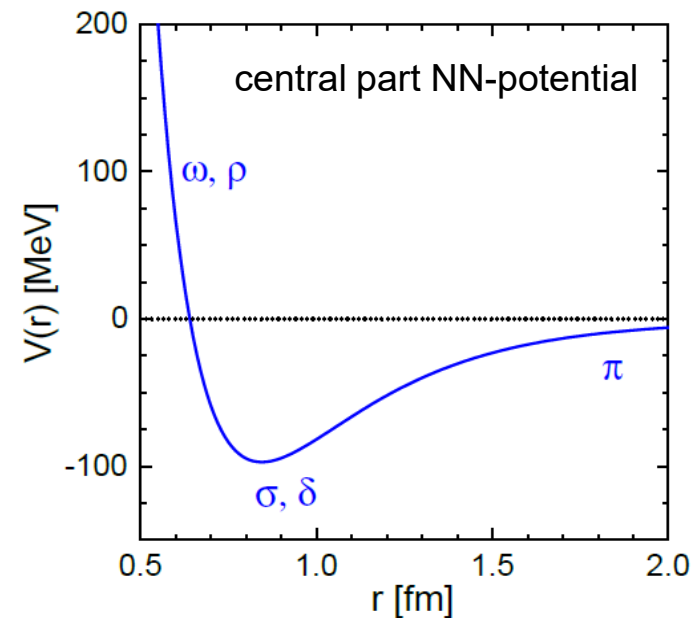
a model

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \sum_N \bar{N} \left[i (\hat{\partial} + i g_{\omega N} \hat{\omega} + i g_{\rho N} \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}) \right] - (m - g_{\sigma N} \sigma) N \\ & + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} (\partial_{\mu} \sigma \partial^{\mu} \sigma - m_{\sigma}^2 \sigma^2) - U(\sigma)}_{\text{scalar}} \\ & - \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} \omega_{\mu\nu} \omega^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_{\omega} \omega_{\mu} \omega^{\mu}}_{\text{vector}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\mu\nu} \boldsymbol{\rho}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\mu} \boldsymbol{\rho}^{\mu}}_{\text{iso-vector}} \end{aligned}$$

medium: mean-field approximation



[Serot, Walecka]



$$\sigma(r, t) = \sigma$$

$$\omega_{\mu}(r, t) = \delta_{\mu,0} \omega_0$$

$$\rho_{\mu}^a(r, t) = \delta^{a,3} \delta_{\mu,0} \rho_0^{(3)}$$

constant fields

pion dynamics falls out completely in this approx.

nucleon spectrum in MF approximation

$$E_N(p) = \sqrt{m_N^{*2} + p^2} + g_{\omega N} \omega_0 + g_{\rho N} I_N \rho_{03}$$

$$m_N^* = m_N - g_{\sigma N} \sigma$$

Energy-density functional

$$E[n_p, n_n; \sigma] = \frac{m_\sigma^2 \sigma^2}{2} + U(\sigma) + C_\omega^2 \frac{(n_n + n_p)^2}{2 m_N^2} + C_\rho^2 \frac{(n_n - n_p)^2}{8 m_N^2} \\ + \sum_N \int_0^{p_{F,N}} \frac{dp p^2}{\pi^2} \sqrt{(m_N - g_{\sigma N} \sigma)^2 + p^2}$$

evaluated for $\frac{3}{4}$ field followed from the equation

$$\frac{\delta E[n_p, n_n, \sigma]}{\delta \sigma} = 0$$

Parameters $C_i^2 = \frac{g_{iN}^2 m_N^2}{m_i^2}$ are adjusted to properties of nuclear matter at saturation

If we add gradient terms this energy density functional can be used for a description of properties of atomic nuclei.

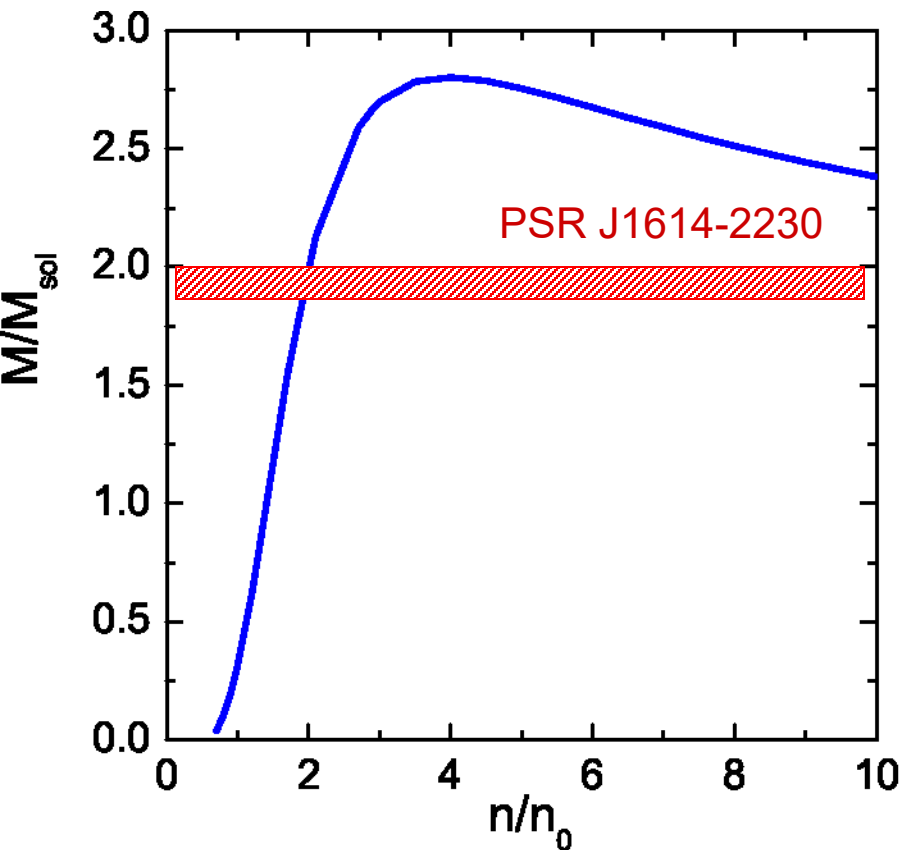
n_0	$\simeq 0.16 \pm 0.015 \text{ fm}^{-3}$
E_{bind}	$\simeq -15.6 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV}$
$m_N^*(\rho_0)$	$\simeq (0.75 \pm 0.1) m_N$
K	$\simeq 240 \pm 40 \text{ MeV}$
a_{sym}	$\simeq 32 \pm 4 \text{ MeV}$

(pure) Walecka model $U(\sigma)=0$

$$n_0 = 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}, \quad E_{\text{bind}} = -16 \text{ MeV}$$



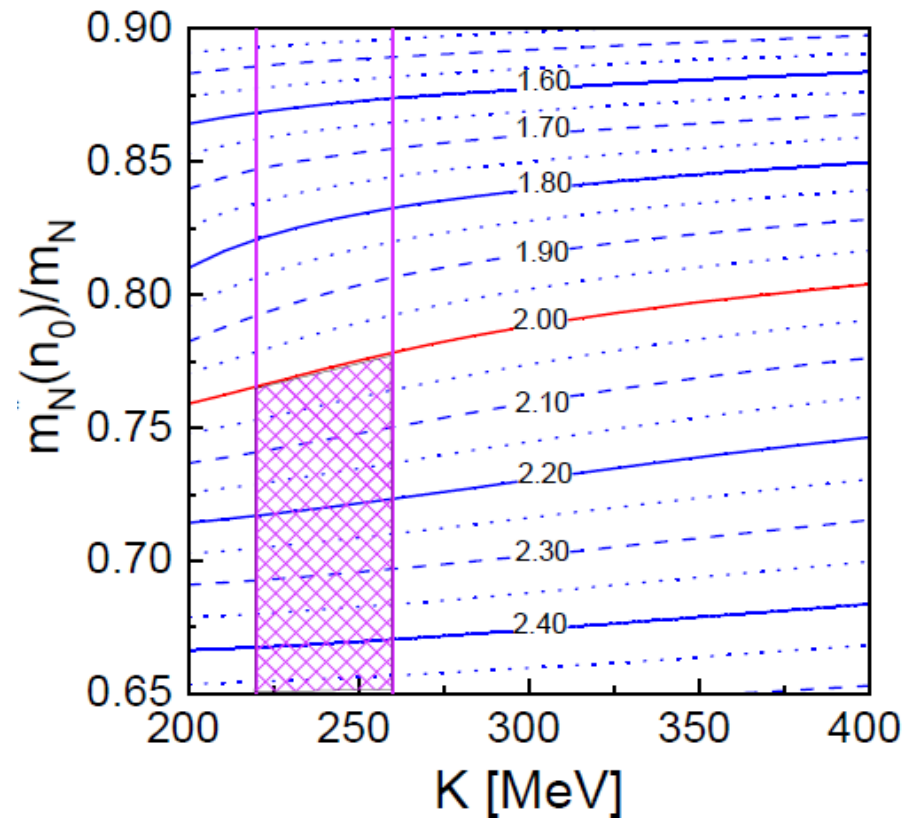
$$K = 553 \text{ MeV}, \quad m_N^*(n_0) = 0.54 m_N$$



Hardest EoS among RMF models

modified Walecka $U(\sigma)=a\sigma^3+b\sigma^4$

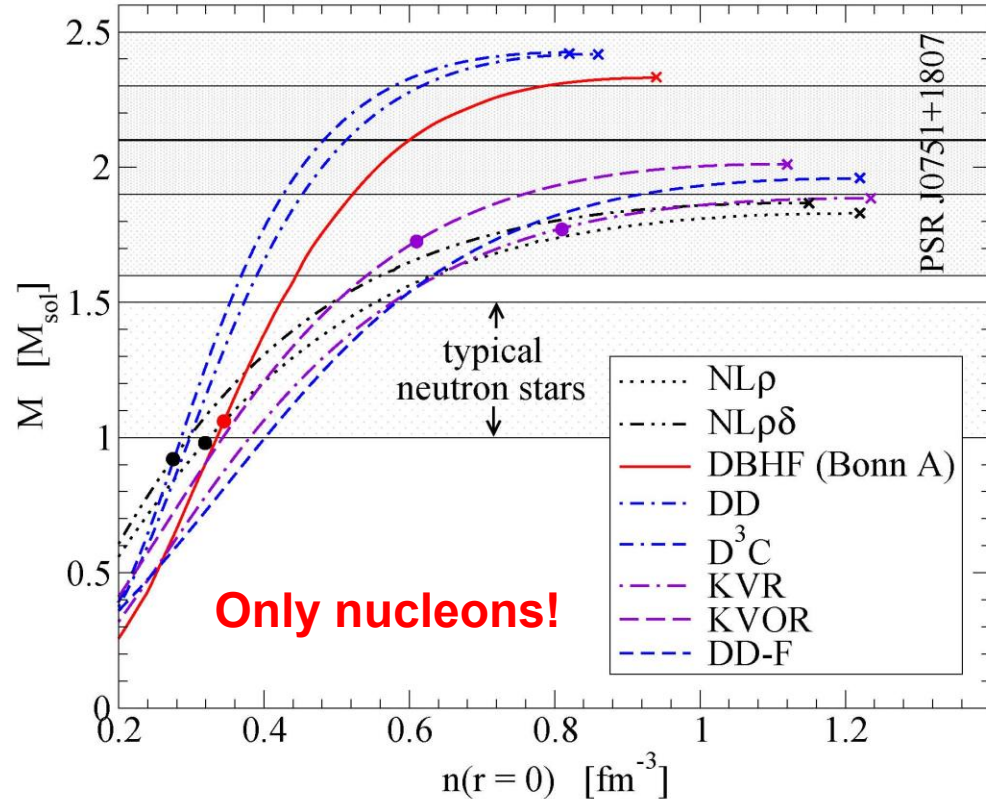
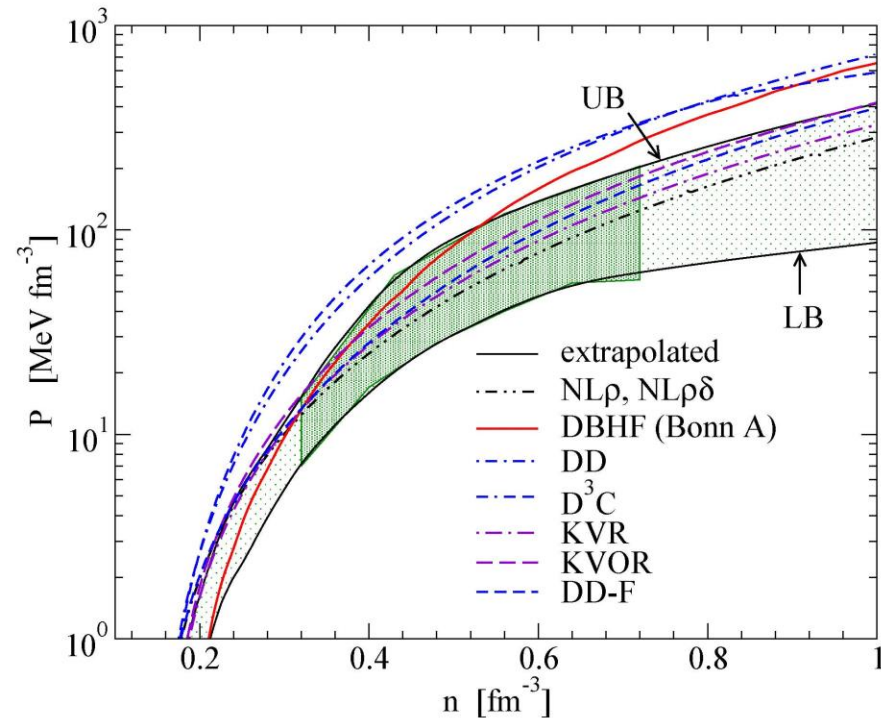
maximal mass of NS



weak dependence on K !
strong dependence on m_N^*

✓ constraints from heavy-ion collisions

✓ maximum mass constraints



Puzzle

Nucleon part of EoS should be sufficiently stiff.

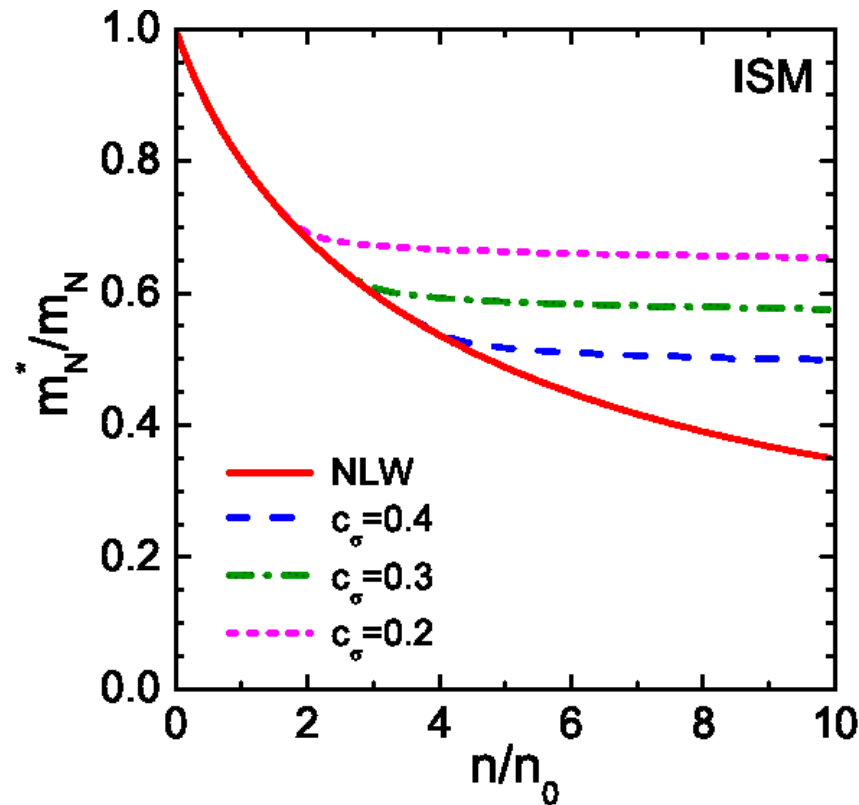
Pressure in isospin symmetric matter should be no to high. (particle flow in HIC)

The standard non-linear Walecka (NLW) model and the cut mechanism

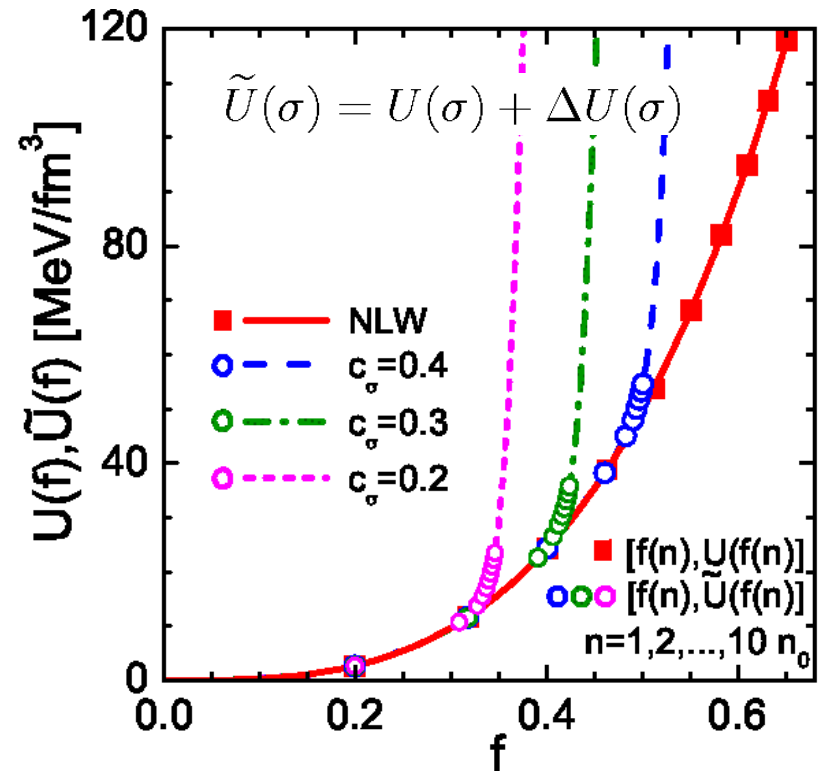
$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi}_N \left[(i \partial_\mu - g_\omega \omega_\mu - g_\rho \mathbf{t} \boldsymbol{\rho}_\mu) \gamma^\mu - m_N + g_\sigma \sigma \right] \Psi_N + \frac{1}{2} [(\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 - m_\sigma^2 \sigma^2] - U(\sigma) \\ - \frac{1}{4} \omega_{\mu\nu} \omega^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_\omega^2 \omega_\mu^2 - \frac{1}{4} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\mu\nu} \boldsymbol{\rho}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_\omega^2 (\boldsymbol{\rho}_\mu)^2 \quad U(\sigma) = \frac{b}{3} m_N (g_{\sigma N} \sigma)^3 + \frac{c}{4} (g_{\sigma N} \sigma)^4$$

$$n_0 = 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}, \mathcal{E}_0 = -16 \text{ MeV}, \mathcal{E}_{\text{sym}} = 30 \text{ MeV}$$

[cut mechanism](#) [Maslov et al. PRC 92]

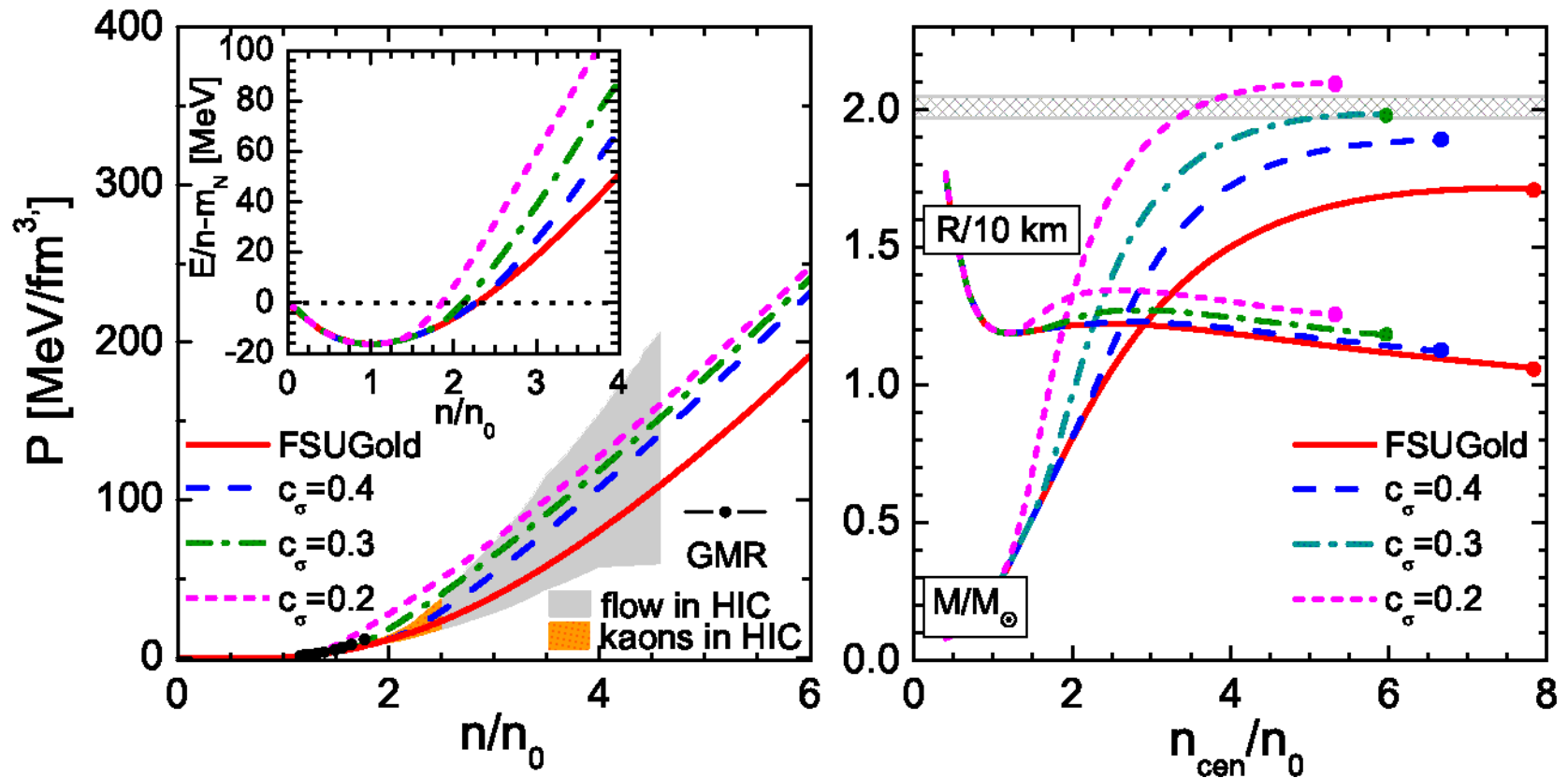


If $m_N^*(n)$ saturates then the EoS stiffens



$$f_{\text{s.core}} = f_0 + c_\sigma (1 - f_0)$$

$$m_N^*(n_0) = m_N (1 - f_0)$$



Alternative FSUGold2 model: W.-Ch. Chen, Piekarewicz, Phys. Rev. C 90 (2014) 044305

$$M_{\text{max}} = 2.1 M_\odot$$

KVOR model [EEK and D.Voskresensky NPA 759 (2005) 373]

- in standard RMF model m_σ , m_ω , and m_ρ do not change
Can the in-medium modification (decrease) of meson masses be included in an RMF model??
- σ field dependent masses and couplings constant
- decreasing functions of σ : $m_\omega^*(\sigma)$, $m_\rho^*(\sigma) \longleftarrow$ self-consistent σ field results in *increase* of ρ and ω masses
- **universal scaling** $m_\sigma^*/m_\sigma \approx m_\omega^*/m_\omega \approx m_\rho^*/m_\rho = \Phi(n)$

Lattice QCD (SC-QCD): common drop of meson masses

[Ohnishi Miura Kawamoto Mod.Phys.Lett A23, 2459]

Sliding vacua and double decimation concept [Brown, Rho PR396(2004)1]

“vector manifestation” [Harada, Yamawaki]

Half-skyrmion model of dense nuclear matter [Vento; Rho, Hyun Kyu Lee 1704.02775]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \bar{\Psi}_N (\partial \cdot \gamma - g_\omega \chi_\omega \omega \cdot \gamma - \frac{1}{2} g_\rho \chi_\rho \boldsymbol{\rho} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma} \boldsymbol{\tau}) \Psi_N - m_N \Phi_N \bar{\Psi}_N \Psi_N \\ & + \frac{\partial^\mu \sigma \partial_\mu \sigma}{2} - \Phi_\sigma^2 \frac{m_\sigma^2 \sigma^2}{2} - U(\sigma) - \frac{\omega_{\mu\nu} \omega^{\mu\nu}}{4} + \Phi_\omega^2 \frac{m_\omega^2 \omega_\mu \omega^\mu}{2} - \frac{\boldsymbol{\rho}_{\mu\nu} \boldsymbol{\rho}^{\mu\nu}}{4} + \Phi_\rho^2 \frac{m_\rho^2 \boldsymbol{\rho}_\mu \boldsymbol{\rho}^\mu}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Energy-density functional

$B \in \text{SU}(3)$ ground state multiplet

scalar field $f = g_\sigma \chi_\sigma \sigma / m_N$

$$E[f, \{n_B\}] = \sum_B E_{\text{kin}}(p_{F,B}, m_B \Phi_B(f)) + \sum_{l=e,\mu} E_{\text{kin}}(p_{F,l}, m_l) \\ + \frac{m_N^4 f^2}{2C_\sigma^2} \eta_\sigma(f) + \frac{1}{2m_N^2} \left[\frac{C_\omega^2 \tilde{n}_B^2}{\eta_\omega(f)} + \frac{C_\rho^2 \tilde{n}_I^2}{\eta_\rho(f)} + \frac{C_\phi^2 \tilde{n}_S^2}{\eta_\phi(f)} \right],$$

$$C_i = \frac{g_{iN} m_N}{m_i}, \quad i = \sigma, \omega, \rho \quad C_\phi = m_\omega C_\omega / m_\phi$$

$$\text{effective densities: } \tilde{n}_B = \sum_B x_{\omega B} n_B \quad \tilde{n}_I = \sum_B x_{\rho B} t_{3B} n_B \quad \tilde{n}_S = \sum_H x_{\phi H} n_H$$

$$\text{with coupling constant ratios} \quad x_{\omega(\rho)B} = \frac{g_{\omega(\rho)B}}{g_{\omega(\rho)N}} \quad x_{\phi H} = \frac{g_{\phi H}}{g_{\omega N}}$$

mass scaling:

$$\Phi_m(f) \approx \Phi_N(f) = 1 - f$$

$$\Phi_H(f) = 1 - x_{\sigma H} \frac{m_N}{m_H} \xi_{\sigma H} f$$

scaling functions

$$\eta_i(f) = \frac{\Phi_i^2(f)}{\chi_i^2(f)}, \quad i = \sigma, \omega, \rho$$

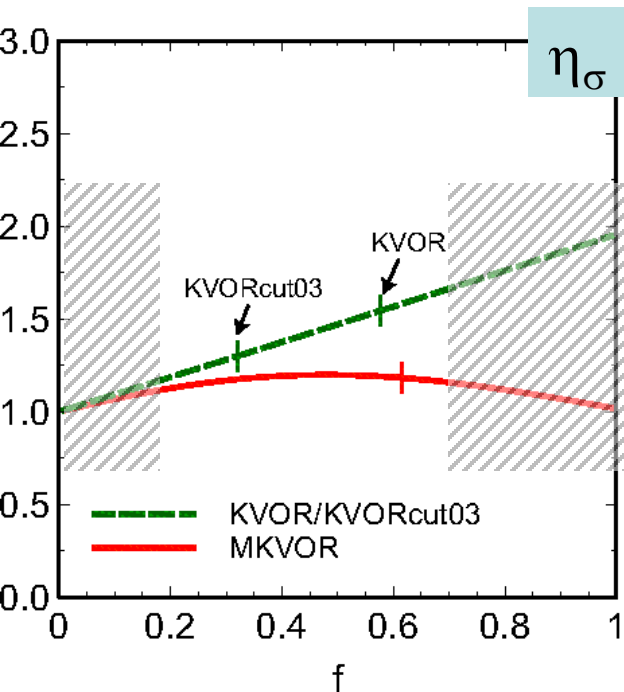
The standard sigma potential can be introduced as $\eta_\sigma(f) = 1 + \frac{2C_\sigma^2}{m_N^4 f^2} U(f)$

MKVOR model

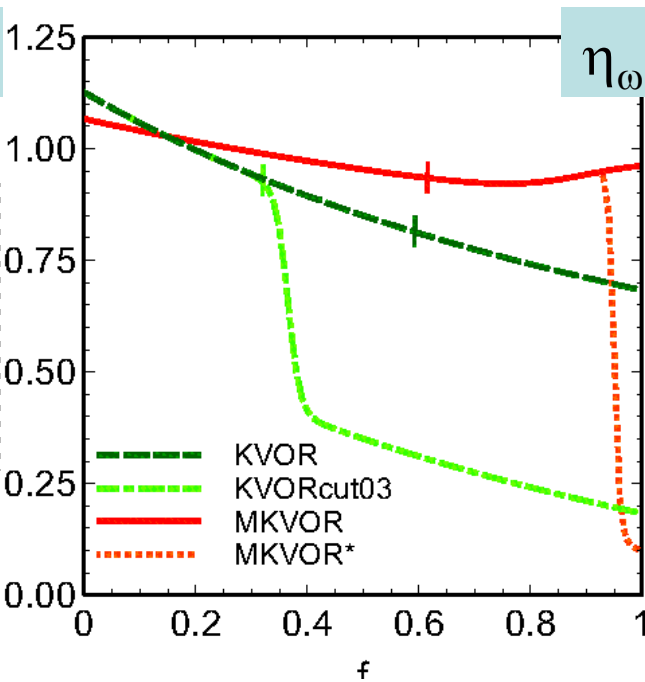
[Maslov, EEK Voskresensky, PLB748,369 (2015); NPA950,64(2016)]

EoS	\mathcal{E}_0 [MeV]	n_0 [fm ⁻³]	K [MeV]	$m_N^*(n_0)$ [m_N]	\tilde{J}_0 [MeV]	L [MeV]	K' [MeV]	K_{sym} [MeV]
MKVOR	-16	0.16	240	0.73	30	41	557	-159

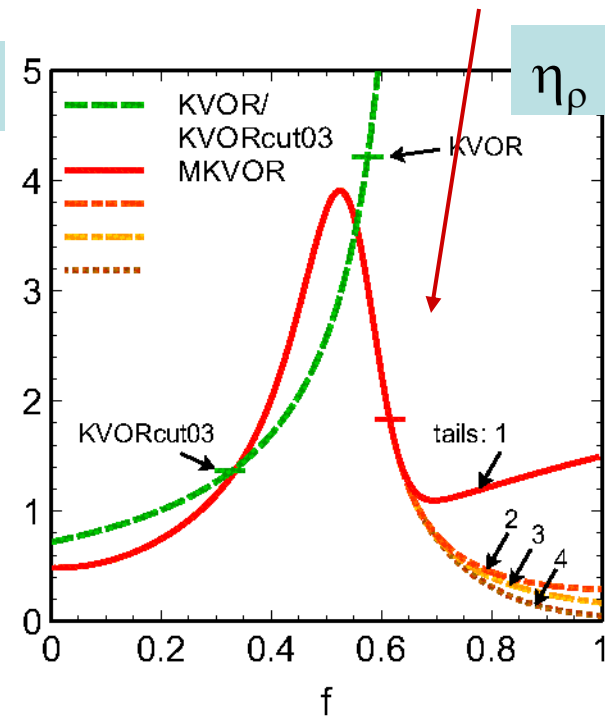
scaling functions for coupling constants vs scalar field:



ticks – max. values of f
reached in neutron star



increase ω repulsion
to stiffen EoS



suppress symmetry energy
DU constraint

saturate f growth

Neutron matter EoS

empirical constraints on symmetry energy

-- (AIS) analog isobar states

[Danielewicz, Lee NPA 922 (2014) 1]

-- α_D electric dipole polarizability ^{208}Pb

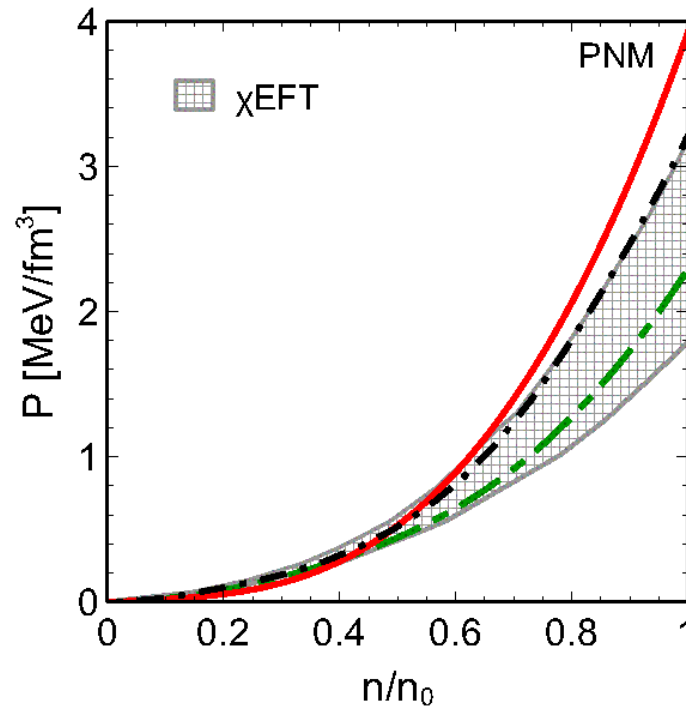
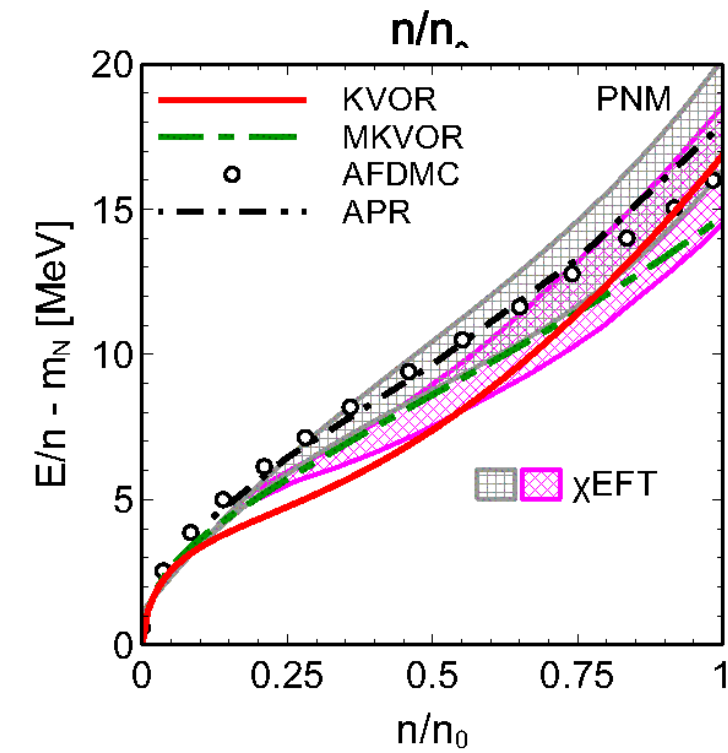
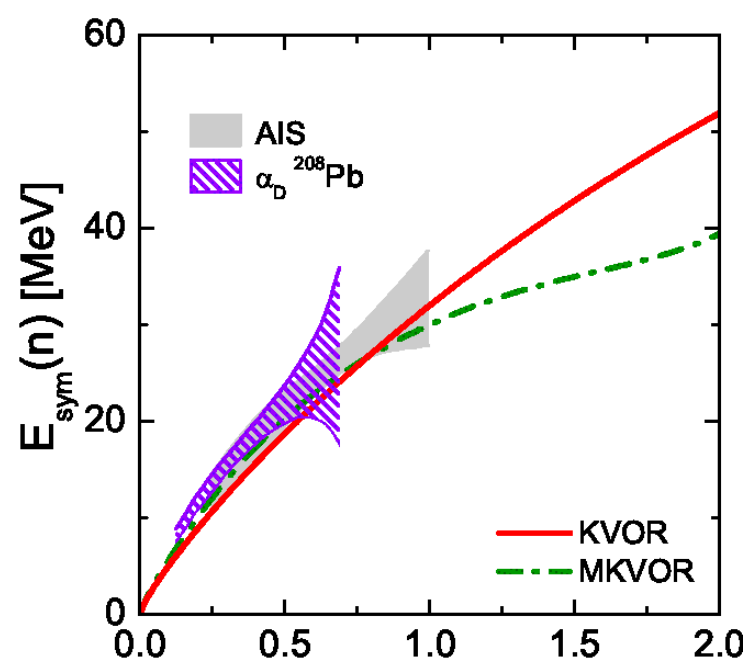
[Zhang, Chen 1504.01077]

microscopic calculations

-- (APR) Akmal, Pandharipande, Ravenhall

-- (AFDMC) Gandolfi et al. MNRAS 404 (2010) L35

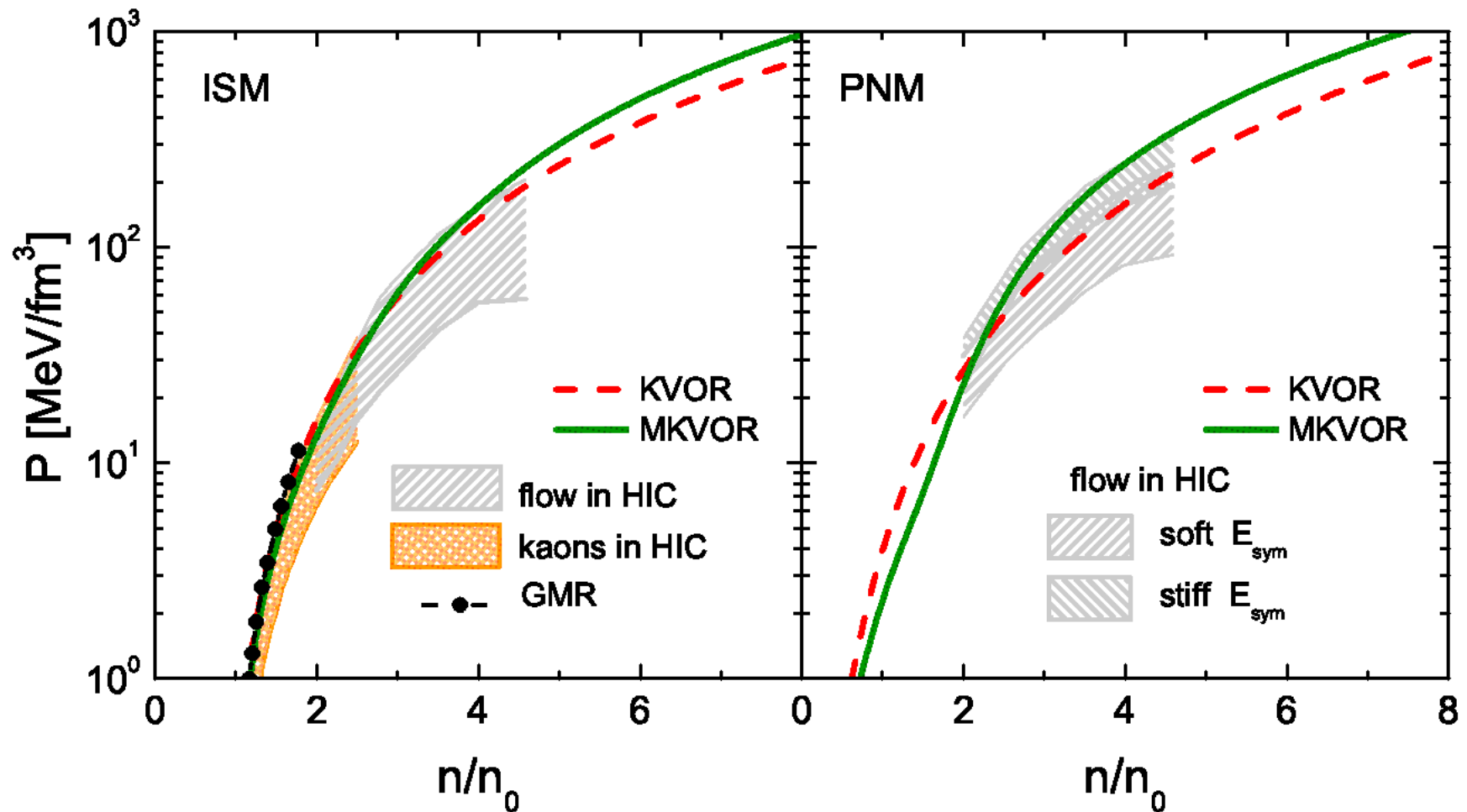
-- (χ EFT) Hebeler, Schwenk EPJA 50 (2014) 11

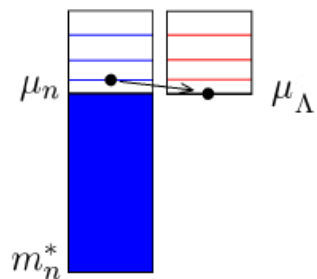


Constraints on EoS from HICs

Particle flow: Danielewicz, Lacey and Lynch, Science 298 (2002) 1592

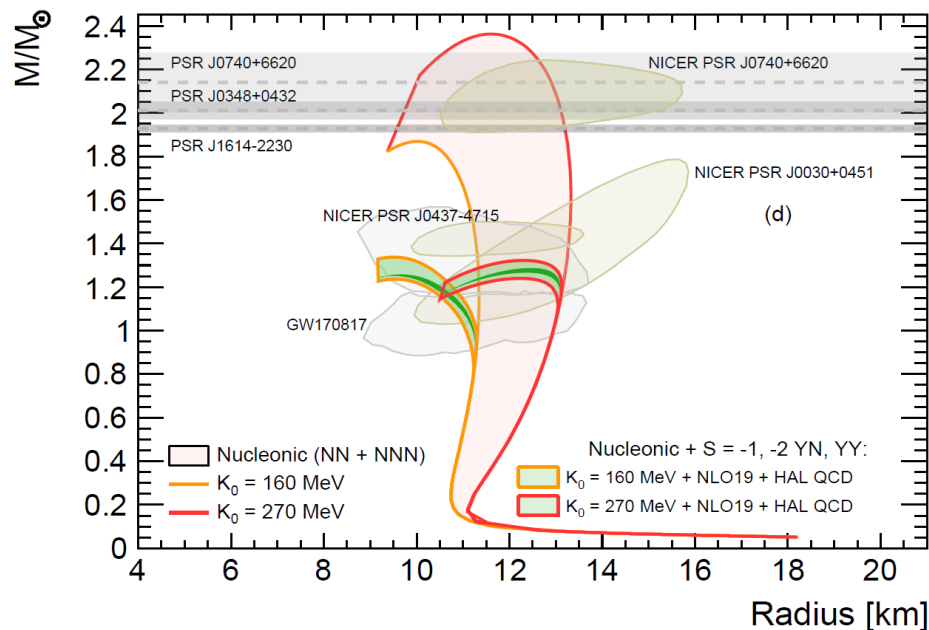
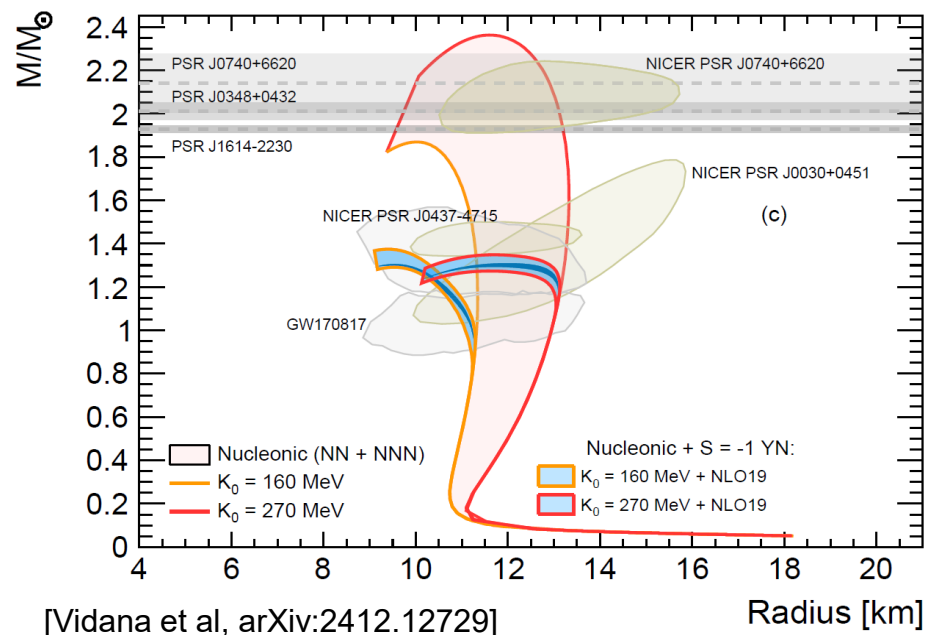
Kaon production: Fuchs, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 56 (2006) 1





“Hyperon puzzle”

If we allow for a population of new Fermi seas (hyperon, Δ baryons, ...)
EoS will be softer and the NS will be smaller



Simple solutions: -- **make nuclear EoS as stiff as possible** [flow constraint]
-- **suppress hyperon population** (increase repulsion/reduce attraction)

against phenomenology of YN, NN, YY interaction in vacuum
+ hypernuclear physics

Attempts to solve the hyperon puzzle

play with hyperon coupling constants

$$x_{mH} = \frac{g_{mH}}{g_{mN}}$$

quark counting SU(6)
for vector couplings:

$$g_{\omega N} : g_{\omega \Lambda} : g_{\omega \Sigma} : g_{\omega \Xi} = 3 : 2 : 2 : 1$$

$$g_{\rho N} : g_{\rho \Lambda} : g_{\rho \Sigma} : g_{\rho \Xi} = 1 : 0 : 2 : 1$$

scalar couplings:

$$x_{\sigma H} = \frac{x_{\omega H} n_0 C_{\omega}^2 / m_N^2 - U_H(n_0)}{m_N - m_N^*(n_0)} \leftarrow \begin{cases} U_{\Lambda}(n_0) = -28 \text{ MeV} \\ U_{\Sigma}(n_0) = +30 \text{ MeV} \\ U_{\Xi}(n_0) = -15 \text{ MeV} \end{cases}$$

extensions

phi meson: HH' repulsion

$$g_{\phi N} : g_{\phi \Lambda} : g_{\phi \Sigma} : g_{\phi \Xi} = 0 : 2 : 2 : 1 \quad g_{\phi \Lambda} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} g_{\omega N}$$

[J. Schaffner et al., PRC71 (1993), Ann.Phys. 235 (94), PRC53(1996)]

SU(3) coupling constants: extra parameters to tune.

two effects: $|g_{\omega H}|$ increases; $g_{\phi N}$ non zero

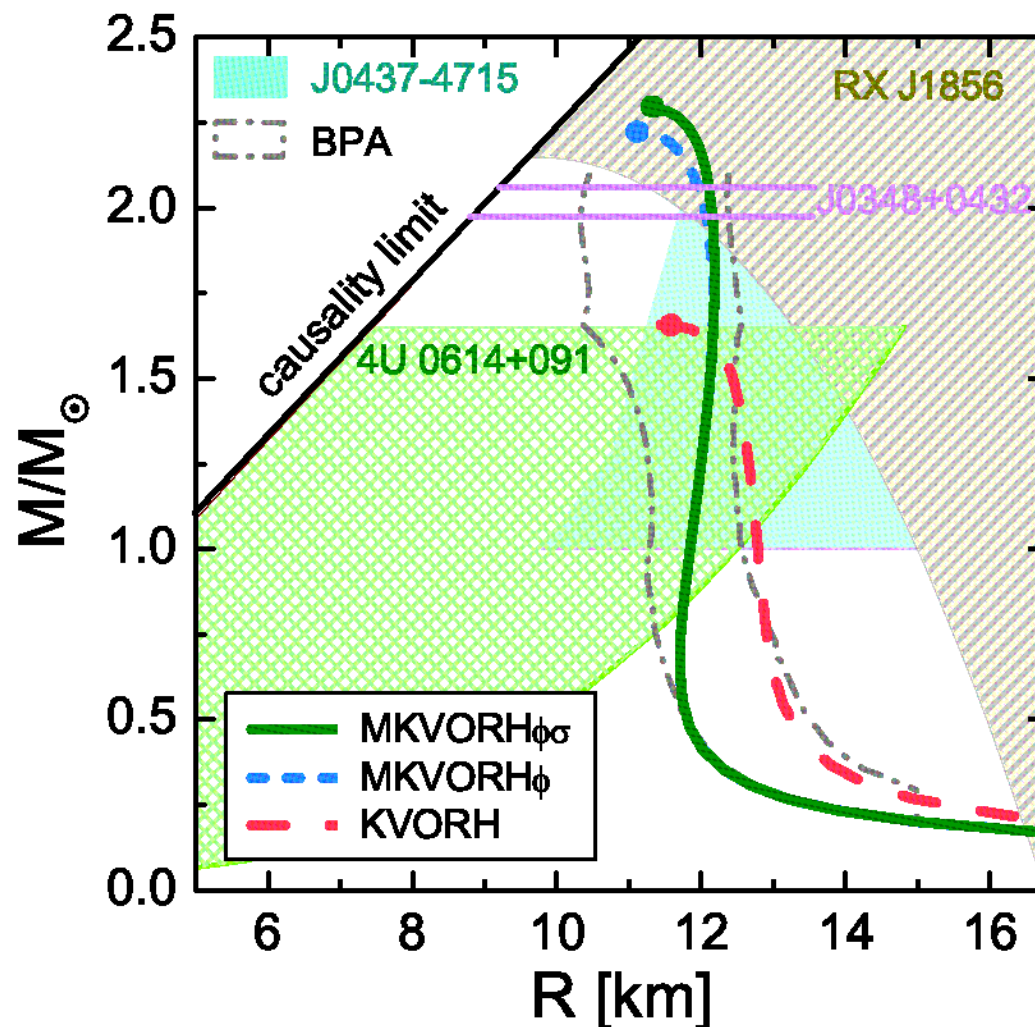
[Weissenborn et al., PRC85 (2012); NPA881 (2012); NPA914(2013)]

alternative

mass of ϕ meson

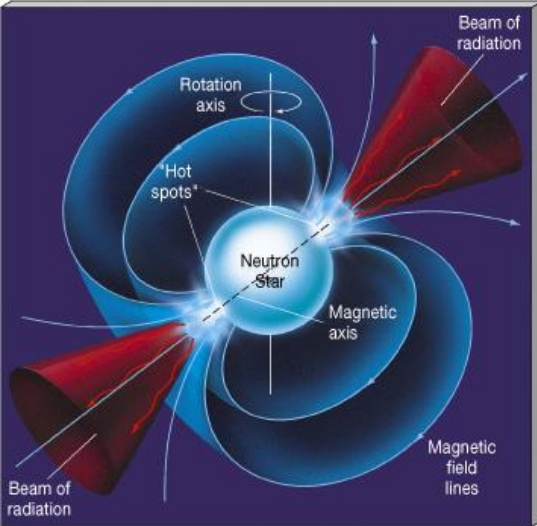
If we take into account a reduction of the ϕ mass in medium
we can increase a HH repulsion

Mass-radius constraints



BPA: Bayesian probability analysis [Lattimer,Steiner ...]

msp PSRJ0437-4715: 3σ confidence Bogdanov ApJ 762, 96 (2013)



Pulsar age

Pulsar rotation period/frequency changes with time:

$$\dot{\Omega} = -\frac{B^2 R^6}{6 c^3 I} \sin^2 \alpha \Omega^3 - G \frac{32 \varepsilon^2}{5 c^5} I \Omega^5$$

**e.m. wave
emission**

**grav. wave
emission**

α angle between rotation and magnetic axes

ε neutron star eccentricity

$$\dot{\Omega} = \kappa \Omega^n$$

$$P = 2\pi / \Omega$$



$$(n-1) \frac{\dot{P}(t)}{P(t)} t = 1 - \left(\frac{P_0}{P(t)} \right)^{n-1}$$

initial period
current period

$$P_0 / P \ll 1$$

spin-down age:

$$\tau_{\text{sd}} = \frac{1}{n-1} \frac{P}{\dot{P}}$$

$$n = \frac{\ddot{\Omega} \Omega}{\dot{\Omega}^2}$$

braking index:

kinematic age:

1) age of the associated SNR

2) pulsar speed and position w.r. to the geometric center of the associated SNR

3) historical events

Crab : 1054 AD

Cassiopeia A: 1680 AD

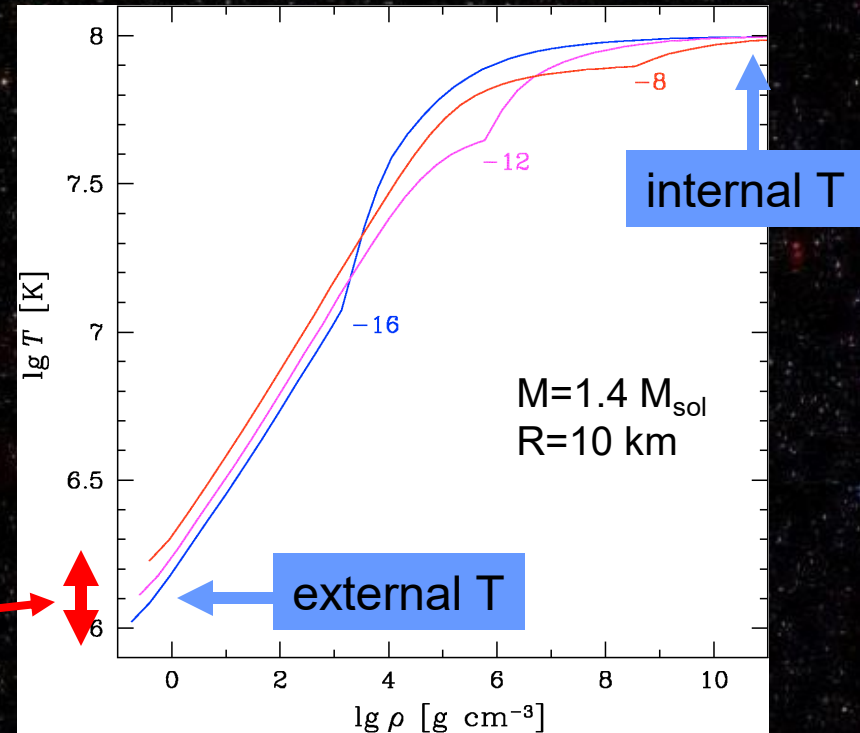
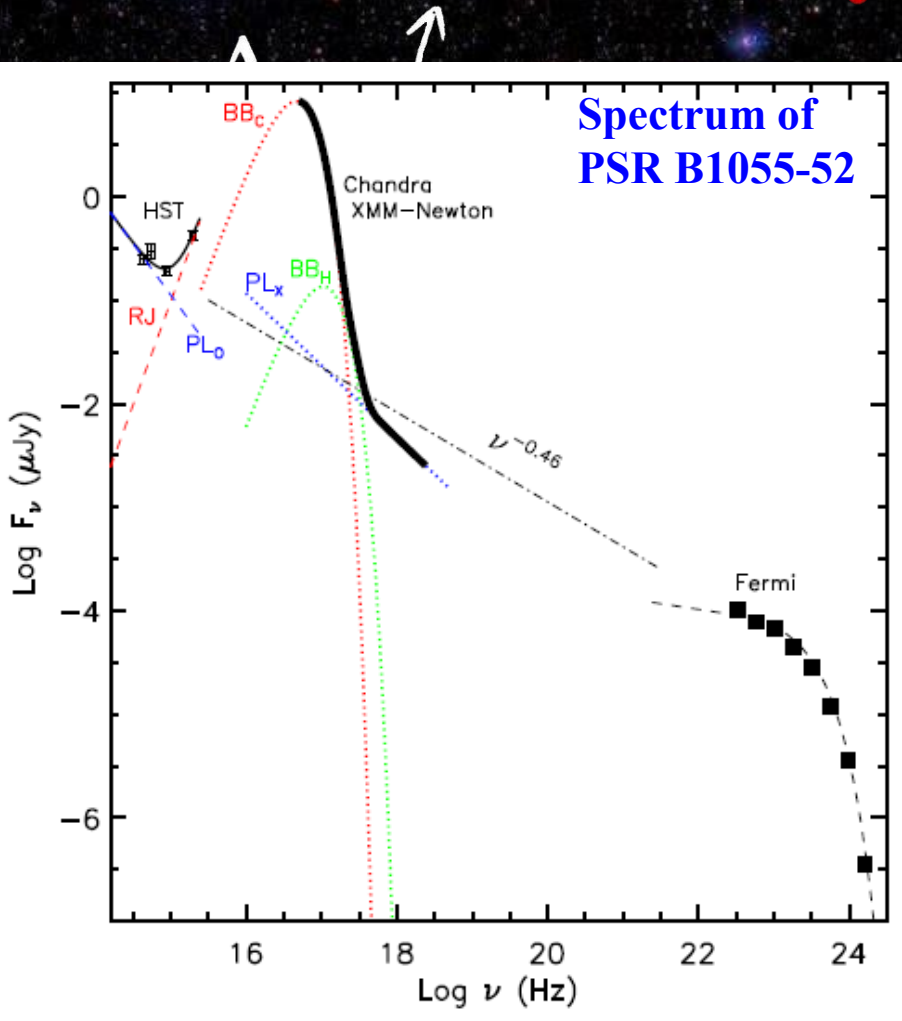
Tycho's SN: 1572 AD

Measuring pulsar temperature

- radiation spectrum and source geometry

- internal vs. external temperature

- heat transfer in envelop



envelop

debris of supernova explosion;
accreted "nuclear trash"

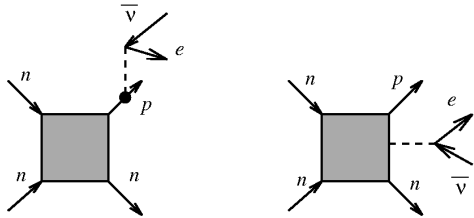
Neutron star cooling

$$T < T_{\text{opac}} \sim 10^{-1} - 10^0 \text{ MeV}$$

neutron star is transparent for neutrino

neutrino emissivity

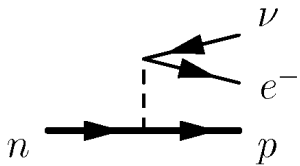
modified Urca (MU)



$$10^{22} \times \left(\frac{m_N^*}{m_N} \right)^4 T_9^8 \left(\frac{n_e}{n_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{cm}^3 \text{s}}$$

$$T_9 = T/10^9 \text{ K} \ll 1$$

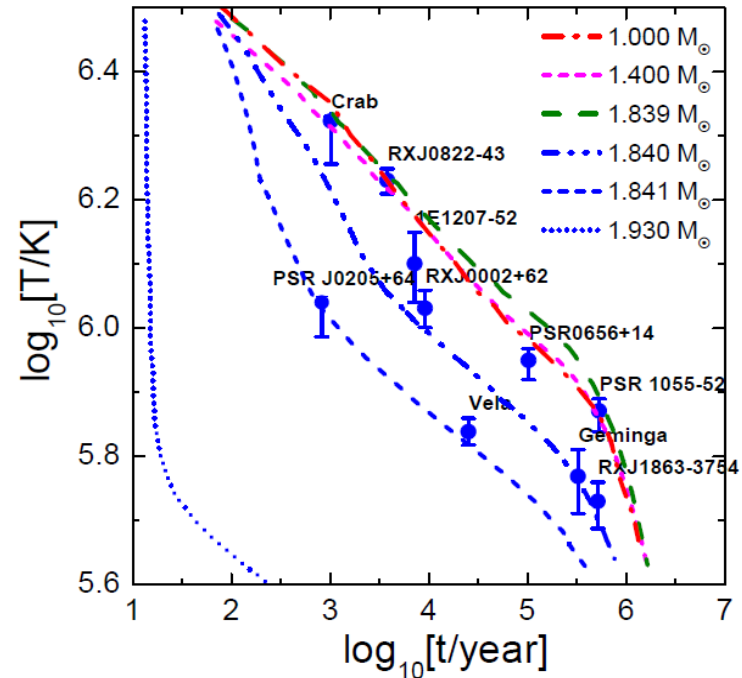
direct Urca (DU)



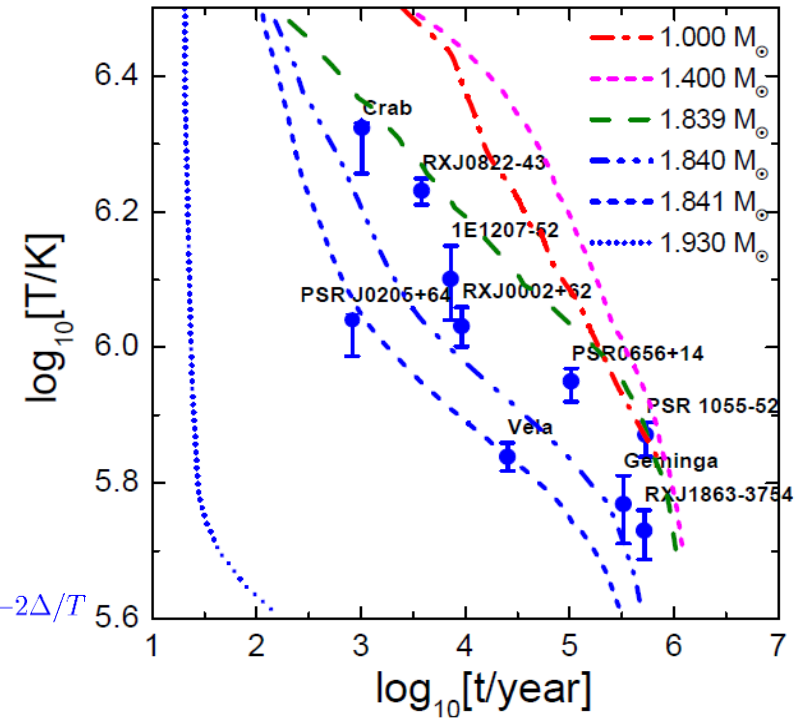
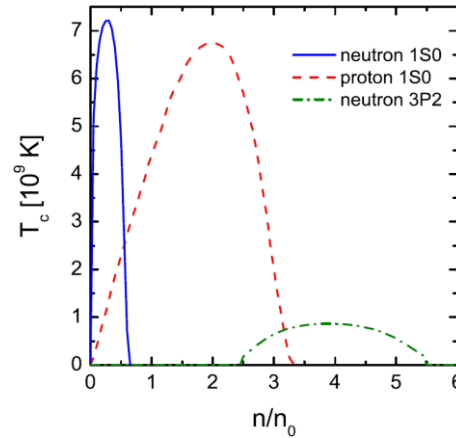
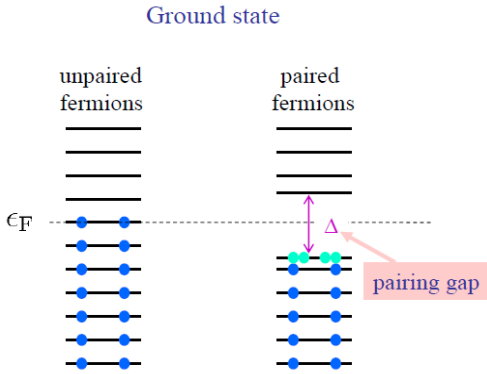
$$10^{27} \times \left(\frac{m_N^*}{m_N} \right)^2 T_9^6 \left(\frac{n_e}{n_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{cm}^3 \text{s}}$$

allowed if $|p_{F,n} - p_{F,p}| < p_{F,e}$

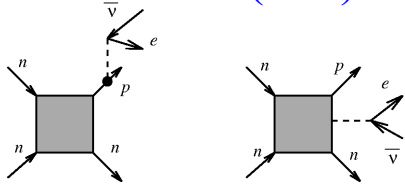
$$x = \frac{n_p}{n} \gtrsim 11\%$$



Neutron star cooling

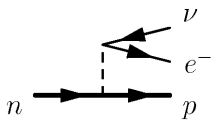


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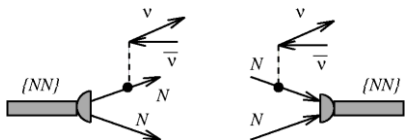
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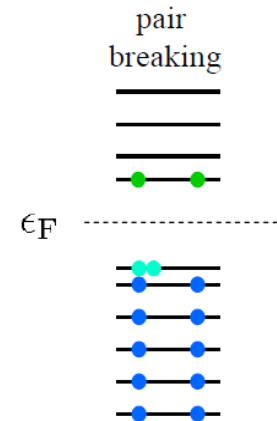
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pair-breaking-formation (PBF)



$$10^{29} \times \left(\frac{m_N^*}{m_N} \right) \left(\frac{\Delta}{\text{MeV}} \right)^7 \left(\frac{T}{\Delta} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-2\Delta/T} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{cm}^3 \text{s}}$$



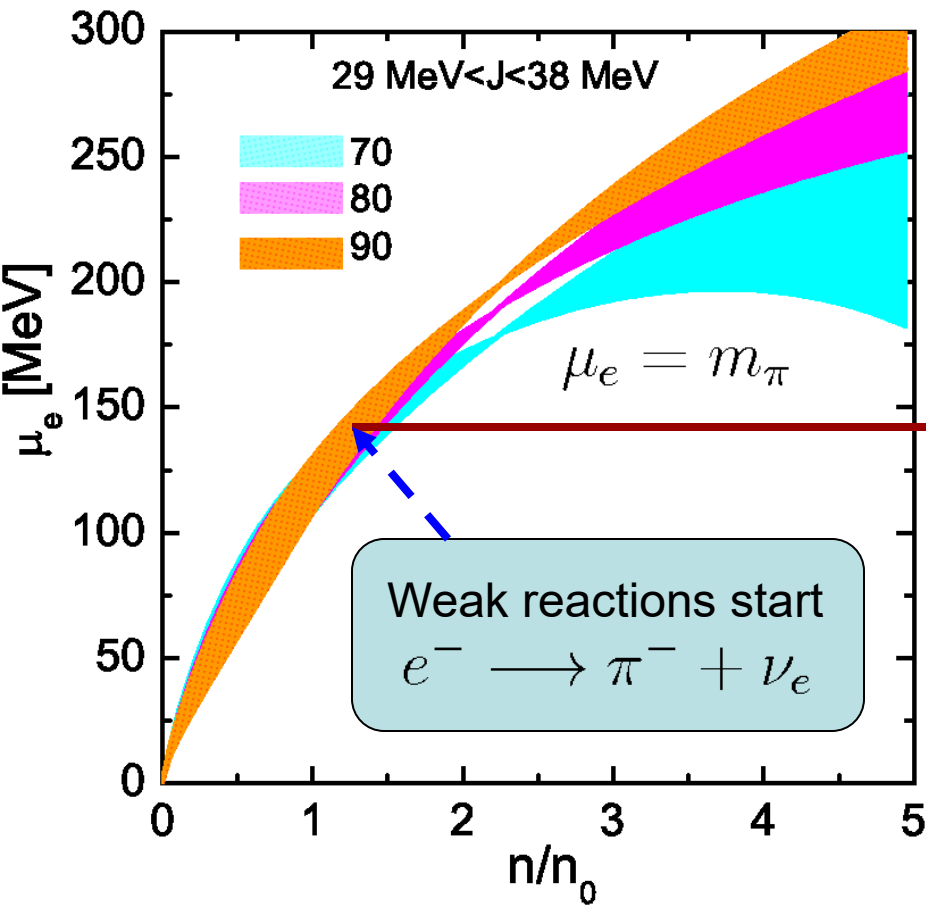
Simple model for NS matter

n+p+e+μ matter

Proton concentration $x = n_p/n$ follows from equations

$$\mu_e = \mu_n - \mu_p = \frac{\partial E}{\partial n_n} - \frac{\partial E}{\partial n_p} = 4 E_S(n) (1 - 2x)$$

$$\frac{(\mu_e^2 - m_e^2)^{3/2}}{3\pi^2} + \frac{(\mu_e^2 - m_\mu^2)^{3/2}}{3\pi^2} = x n$$



Lightest negatively charged bosons: π^-

$$m_\pi = 140 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\sqrt{m^2 + k^2} \longrightarrow \text{minimum at } k=0$$

Pionization of neutron star matter

Chiral symmetry for pion-nucleon interaction

isospin even and odd amplitudes $T^{(\pm)} = \frac{1}{2} [T(\pi^- p) \pm T(\pi^- n)]$

Chiral symmetry: for forward scattering amplitude: $T^{(\pm)}(\omega, q^2)$
on mass-shell $q^2 = \omega^2 - \mathbf{k}^2 = m_\pi^2$

$$\lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \omega^{-1} T^{(-)}(\omega, m_\pi^2) = \frac{1}{2 f_\pi^2} \quad \text{Weinberg Tomazawa theorem}$$

$$T^{(-)}(\omega) \approx \frac{\omega}{2 f_\pi^2}$$

- polarization operator

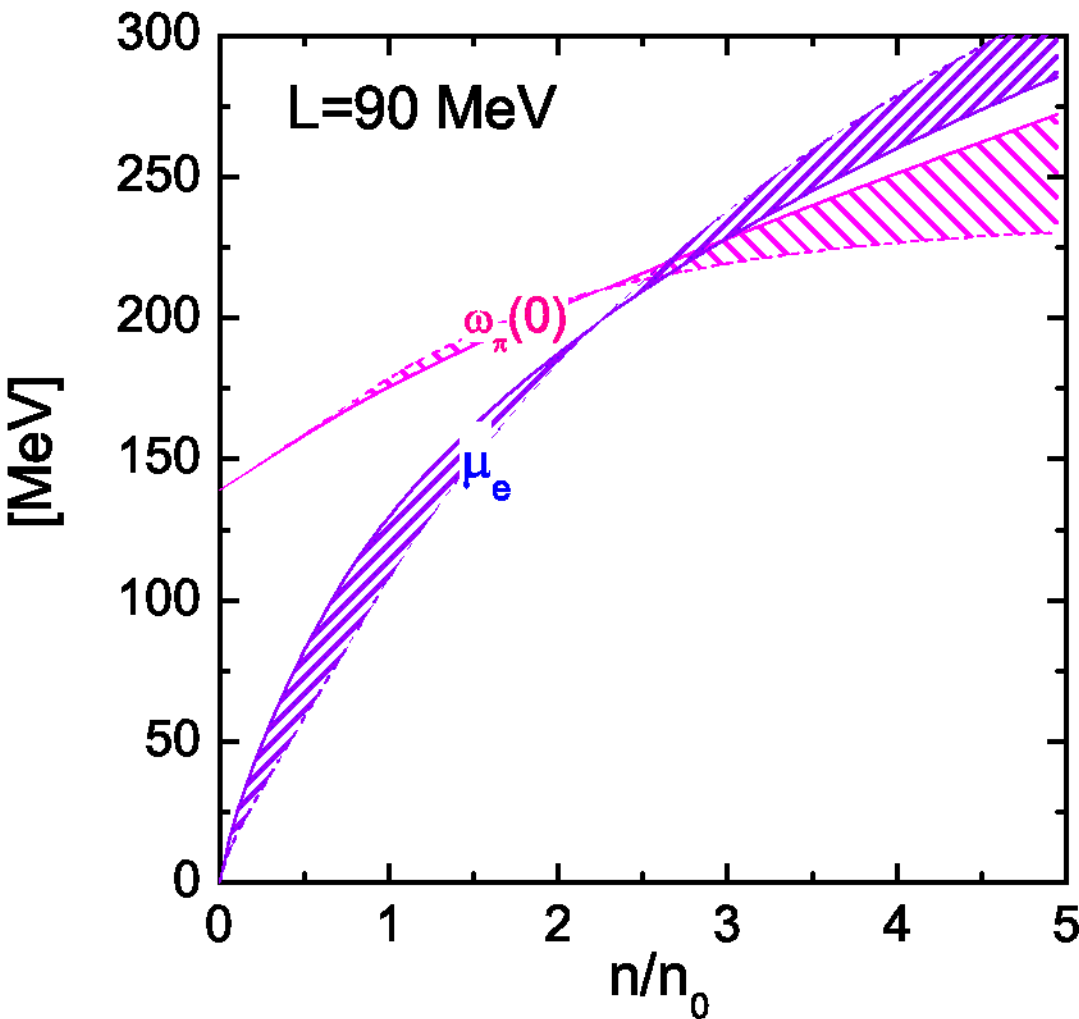
$$\Pi_S(\omega) = -T^{(-)}(\omega) (\rho_p - \rho_n)$$

repulsive in neutron rich matter

- spectrum $D^{-1}(\omega, k=0) = \omega^2 - m_\pi^2 - \Pi_S(\omega) = 0$

29 MeV < J < 38 MeV

chiral shield against pionization



Detailed analysis of the possibility of the s-wave pion condensation in
Onishi, Jido et al, PRC 80, 038202 (2009)

Conclusion

NSs and HICs are the only sources of the information about properties of the strongly interacting matter under extreme condition.

They provide test for our theories and models in dynamical systems.

Problems in discussion:

Relativistic equation of state?

Inclusion of new particles (hyperons, Deltas)?

Meson in medium?