

Equation of state and neutrino interactions from nuclear forces

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Main points

EOS is **well constrained by ab initio calculations** for **Neutron-rich conditions** and nondegenerate conditions especially interesting for mergers!

General EOS band based on nuclear physics and observations
neutron star radius 9.7-13.9 km for $M=1.4 M_{\text{sun}}$ ($\pm 15\%$)

Chiral EFT important for consistent neutrino-matter interactions

Enhancement of neutrino bremsstrahlung at low densities

Chiral effective field theory for nuclear forces

Separation of scales: low momenta $\frac{1}{\lambda} = Q \ll \Lambda_b$ breakdown scale ~ 500 MeV

	NN	3N	4N
LO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^0}{\Lambda^0}\right)$			
NLO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right)$			
N ² LO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^3}{\Lambda^3}\right)$			
N ³ LO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^4}{\Lambda^4}\right)$			

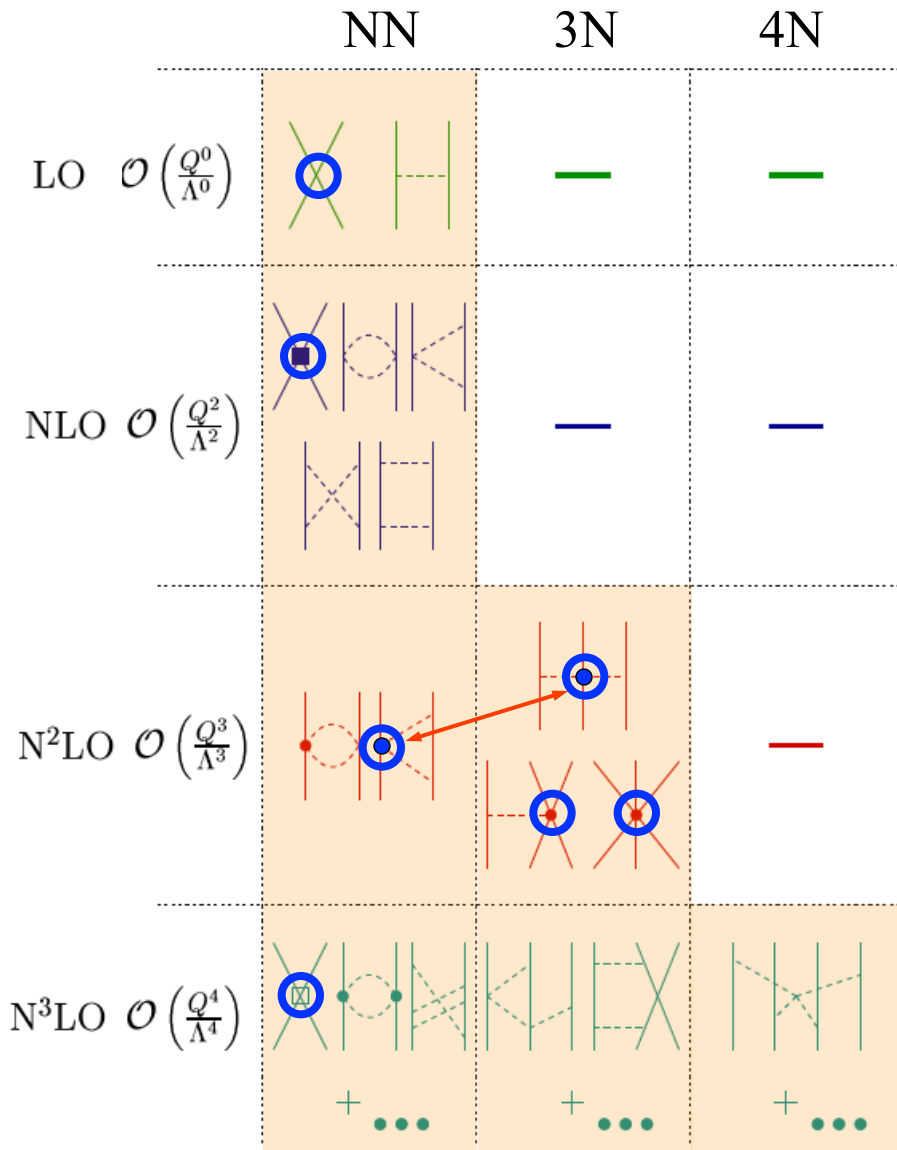
limited resolution at low energies,
can expand in powers $(Q/\Lambda_b)^n$

LO, $n=0$ - leading order,
NLO, $n=2$ - next-to-leading order,...

expansion parameter $\sim 1/3$

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include long-range pion physics

few short-range couplings,
fit to experiment once

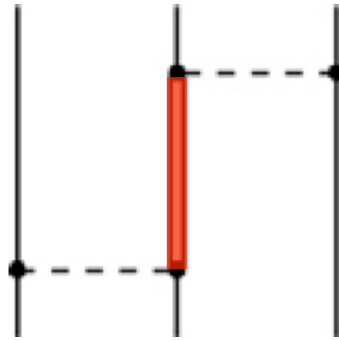
systematic: can work to desired
accuracy and obtain **error estimates**

consistent **electroweak interactions**
and **matching to lattice QCD**

Why are there 3N forces?

Nucleons are finite-mass composite particles,
can be excited to resonances

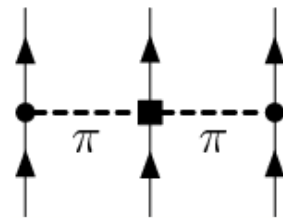
dominant contribution from $\Delta(1232 \text{ MeV})$



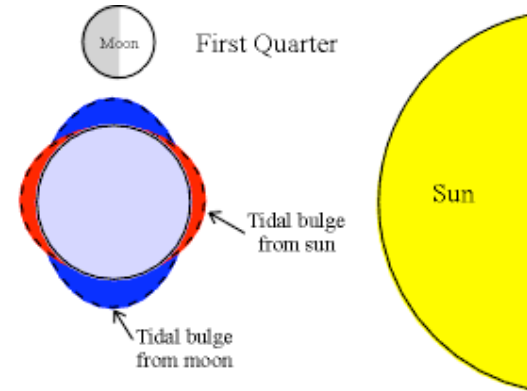
+ many shorter-range parts

chiral effective field theory (EFT)

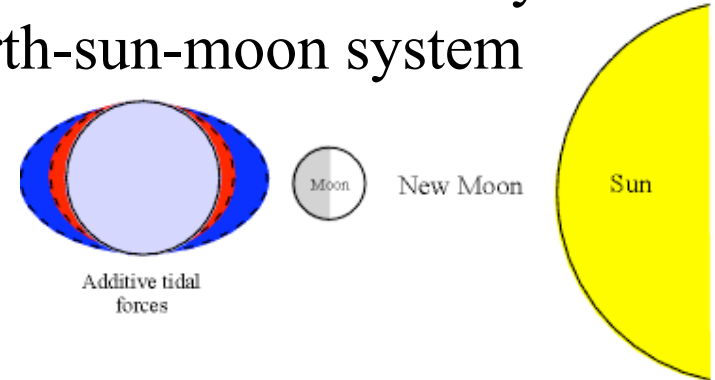
Delta-less (Δ is treated as heavy):



+ shorter-range parts



tidal effects lead to 3-body forces
in earth-sun-moon system



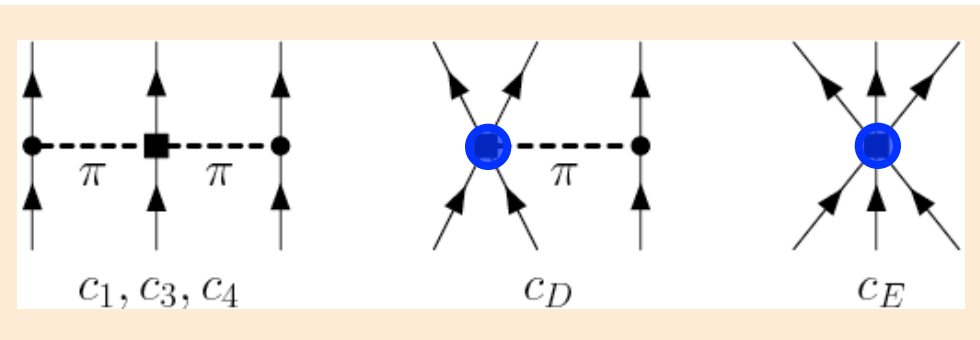
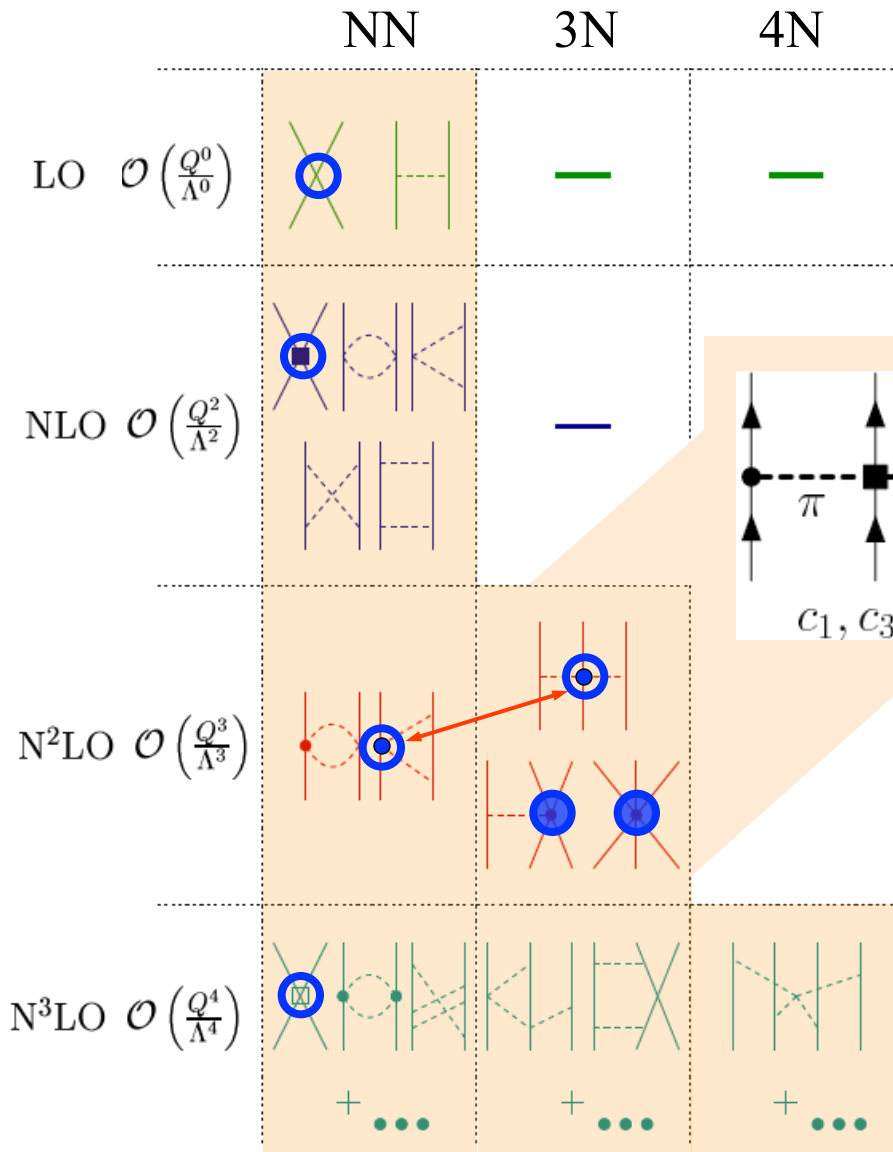
EFT provides a systematic and powerful approach for 3N forces

Chiral effective field theory and many-body forces

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consistent NN-3N-4N interactions

3N,4N: 2 new couplings to N³LO



c_i from π N and NN [Meissner et al. \(2007\)](#)

$$c_1 = -0.9_{-0.5}^{+0.2}, \quad c_3 = -4.7_{-1.0}^{+1.2}, \quad c_4 = 3.5_{-0.2}^{+0.5}$$

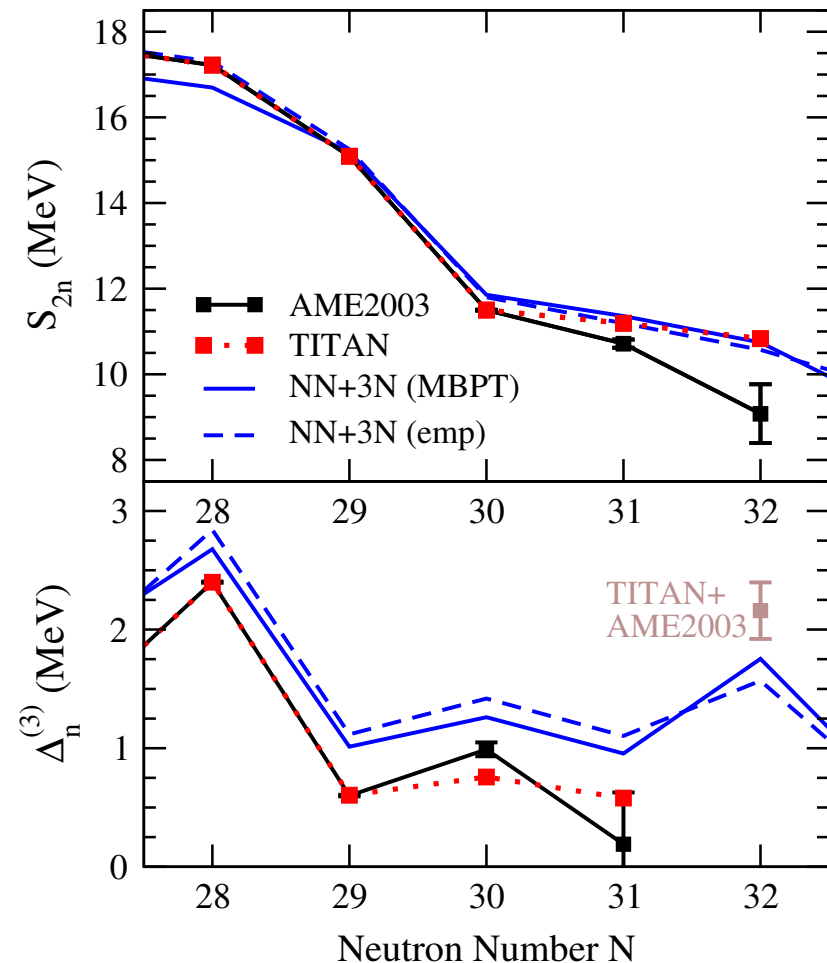
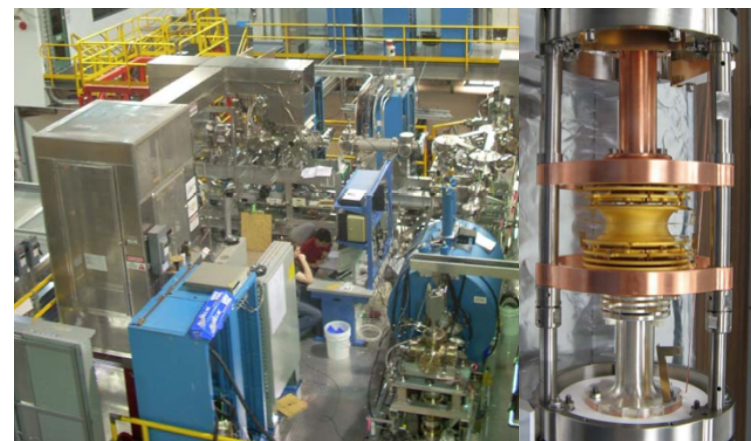
c_D, c_E fit to ${}^3\text{H}, {}^4\text{He}$ properties only

new $^{51,52}\text{Ca}$ TITAN measurements

^{52}Ca is 1.74 MeV more bound compared to atomic mass evaluation

Gallant et al. (2012)

behavior of 2n separation energy S_{2n} agrees with NN+3N predictions



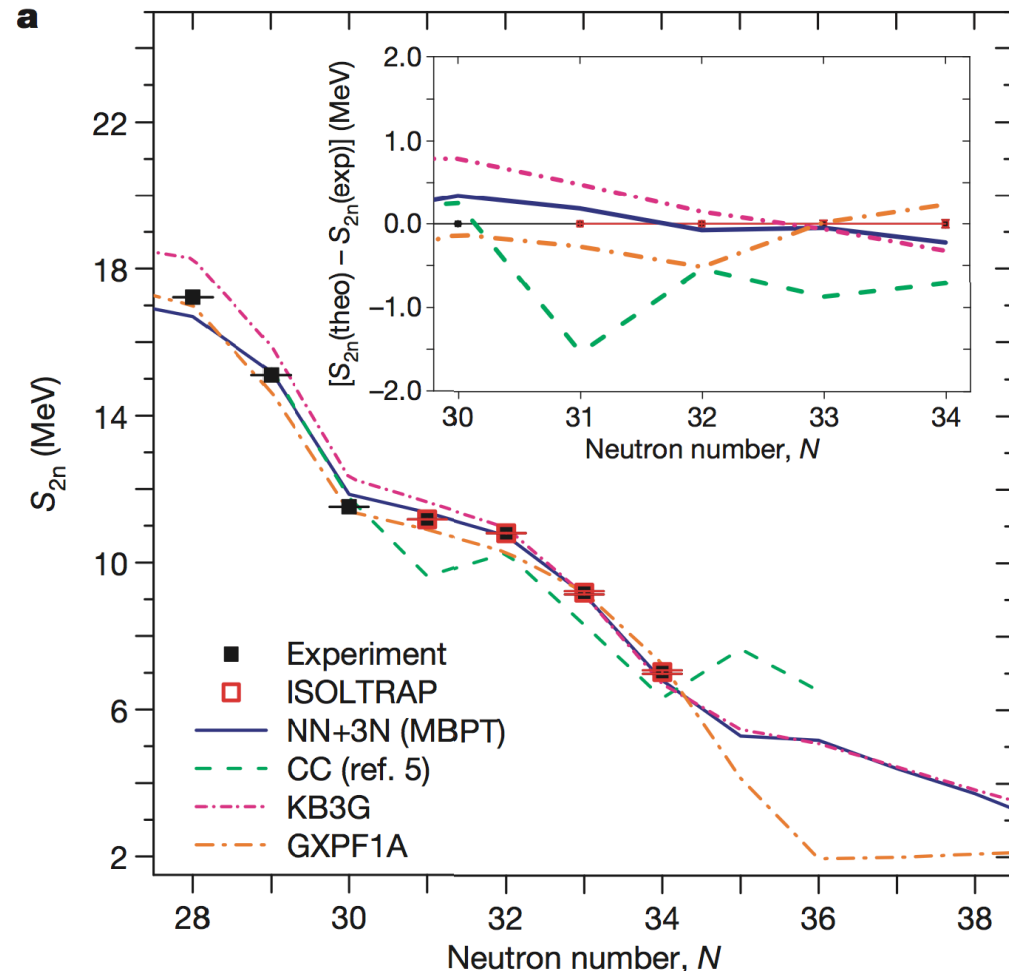
Masses of exotic calcium isotopes pin down nuclear forces

F. Wienholtz¹, D. Beck², K. Blaum³, Ch. Borgmann³, M. Breitenfeldt⁴, R. B. Cakirli^{3,5}, S. George¹, F. Herfurth², J. D. Holt^{6,7}, M. Kowalska⁸, S. Kreim^{3,8}, D. Lunney⁹, V. Manea⁹, J. Menéndez^{6,7}, D. Neidherr², M. Rosenbusch¹, L. Schweikhard¹, A. Schwenk^{7,6}, J. Simonis^{6,7}, J. Stanja¹⁰, R. N. Wolf¹ & K. Zuber¹⁰

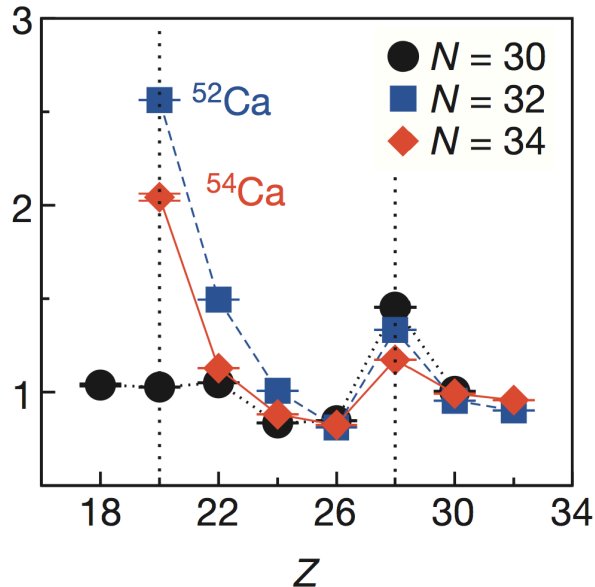
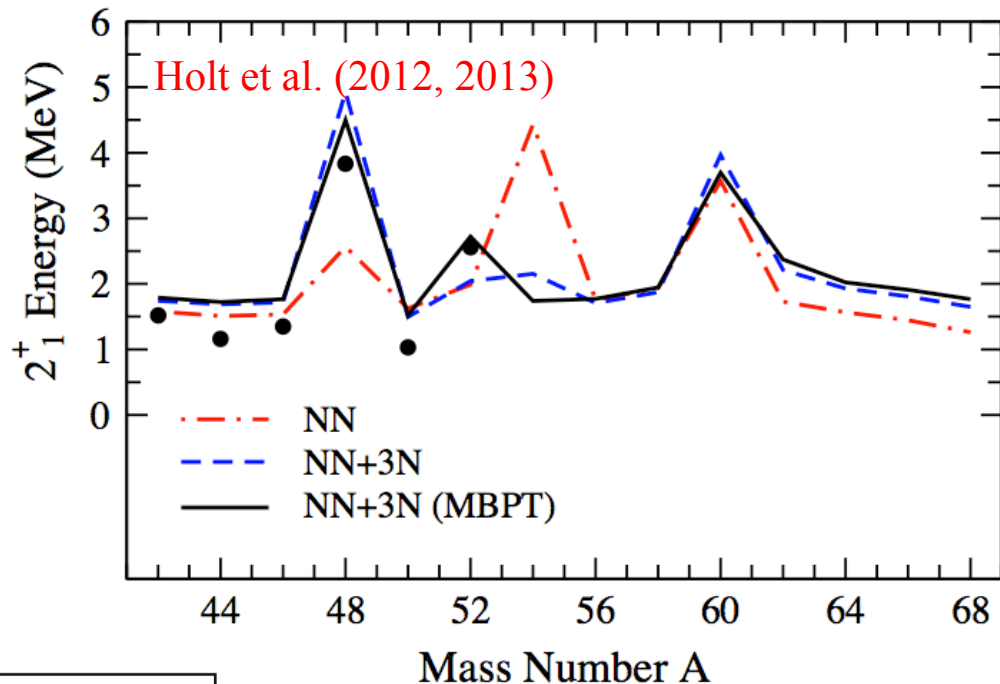
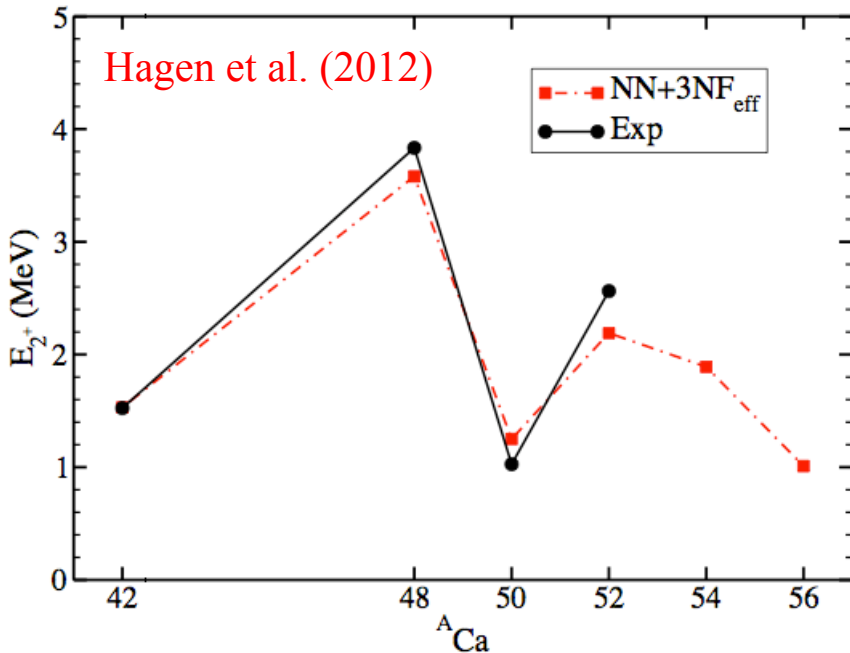
$^{53,54}\text{Ca}$ masses measured at ISOLTRAP using new MR-TOF mass spectrometer

establish prominent $N=32$ shell closure in calcium

excellent agreement with theoretical NN+3N prediction



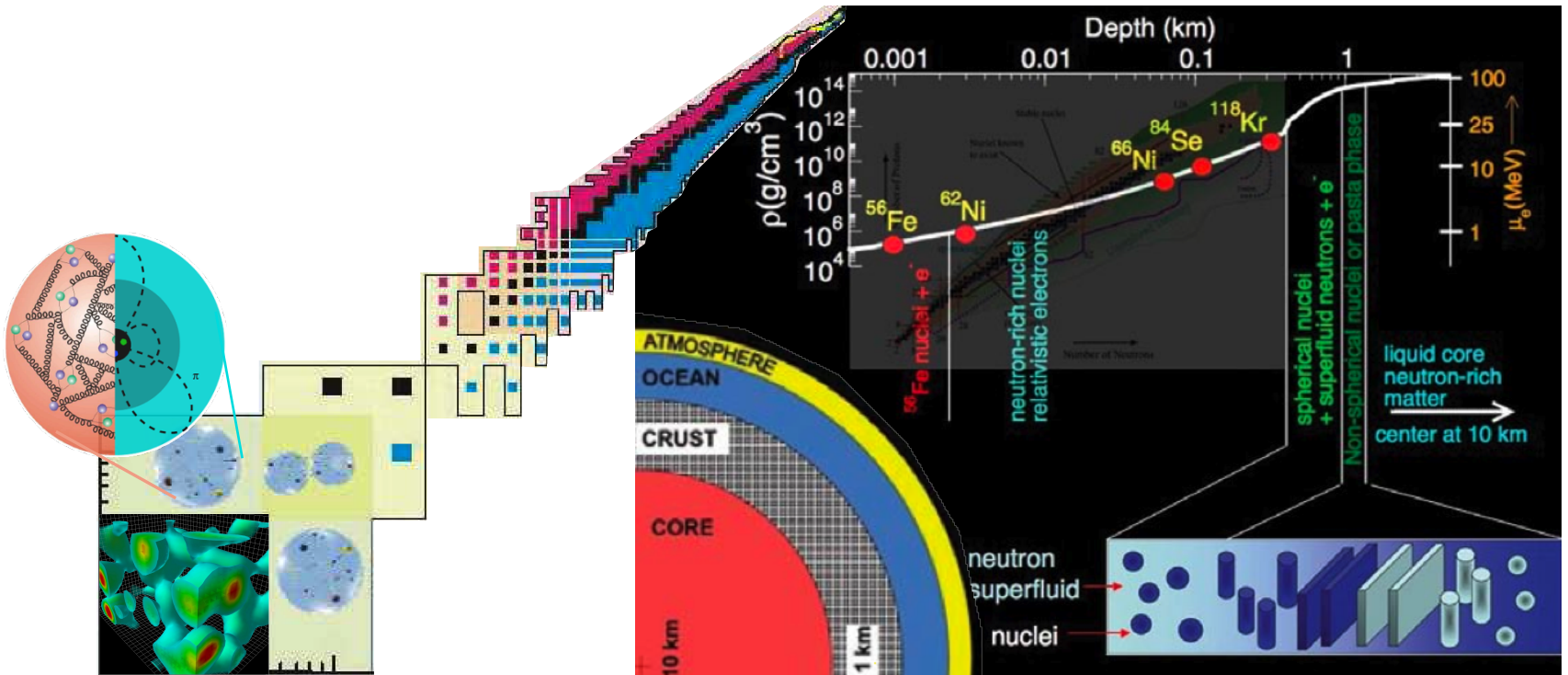
Three-body forces and magic numbers



2^+ energy measured at RIBF suggests magic number $N=34$

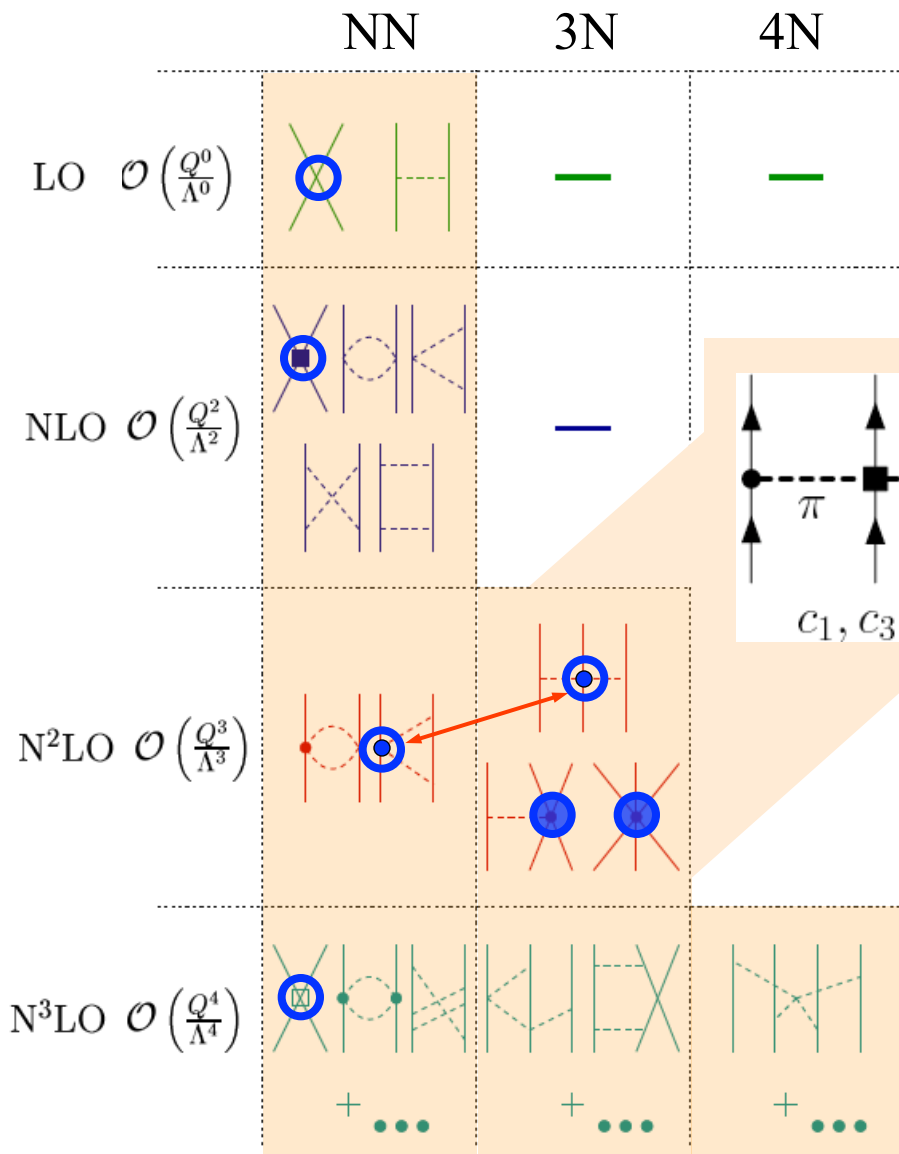
Steppenbeck et al. (2013)

Neutron matter and neutron stars

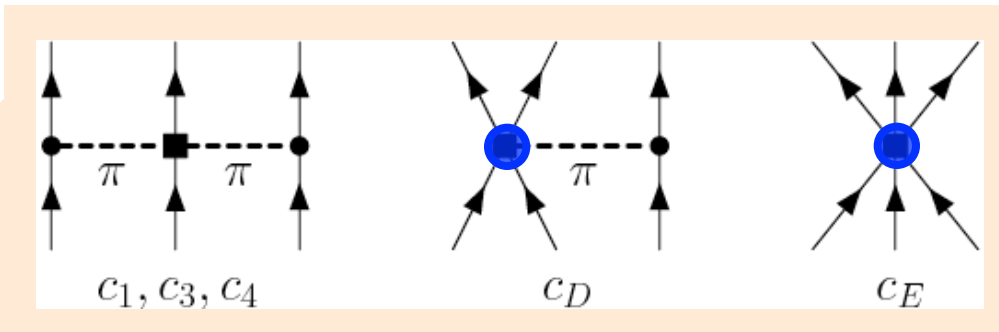


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c_D, c_E don't contribute for **neutrons** because of Pauli principle and pion coupling to spin, also for c_4
 Hebeler, AS (2010)



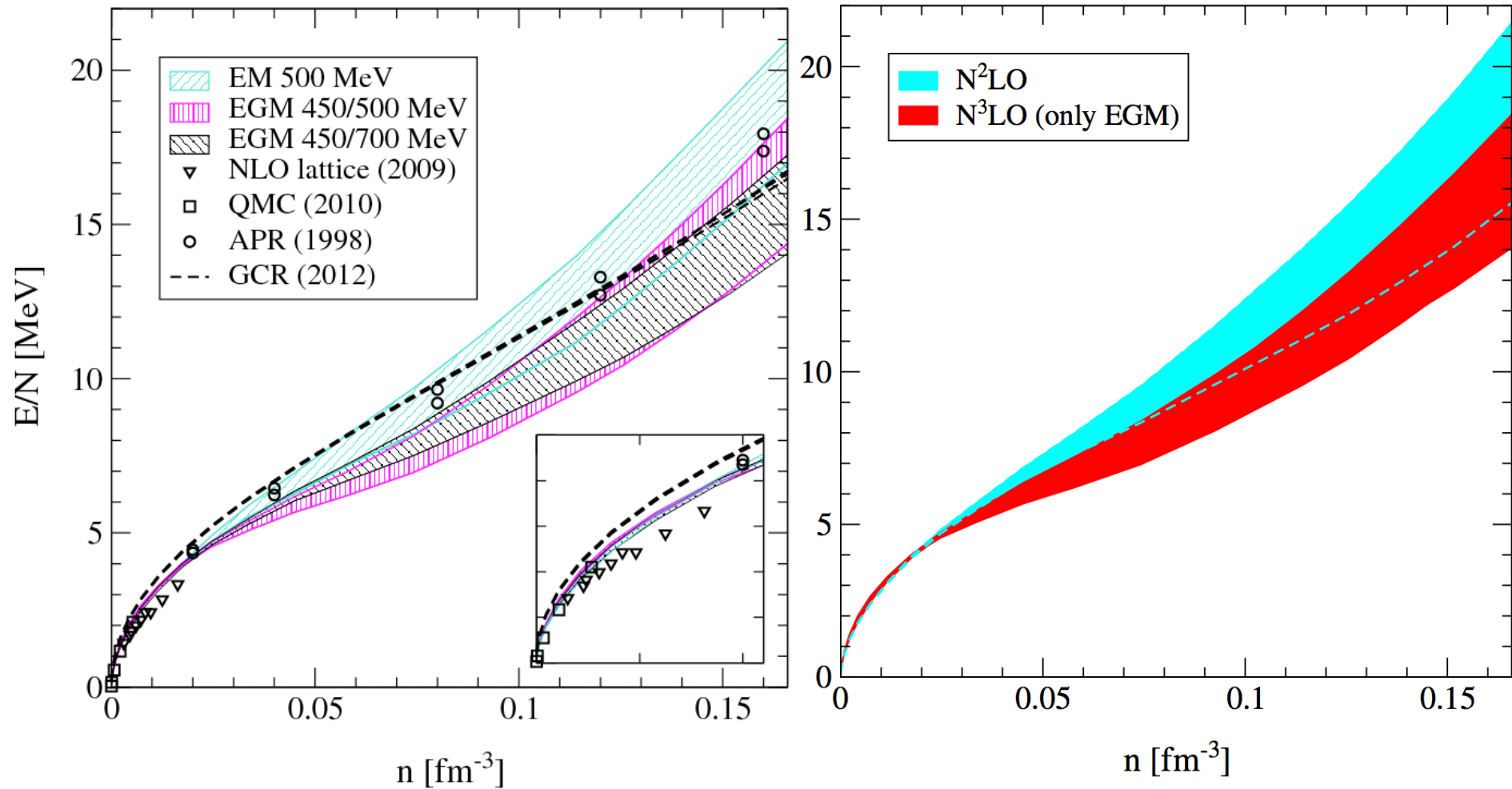
all 3- and 4-neutron forces are predicted to N³LO!

study 3N and 4N in neutron matter
 Tews, Krüger, Hebeler, AS (2013)

Complete N^3 LO calculation of neutron matter

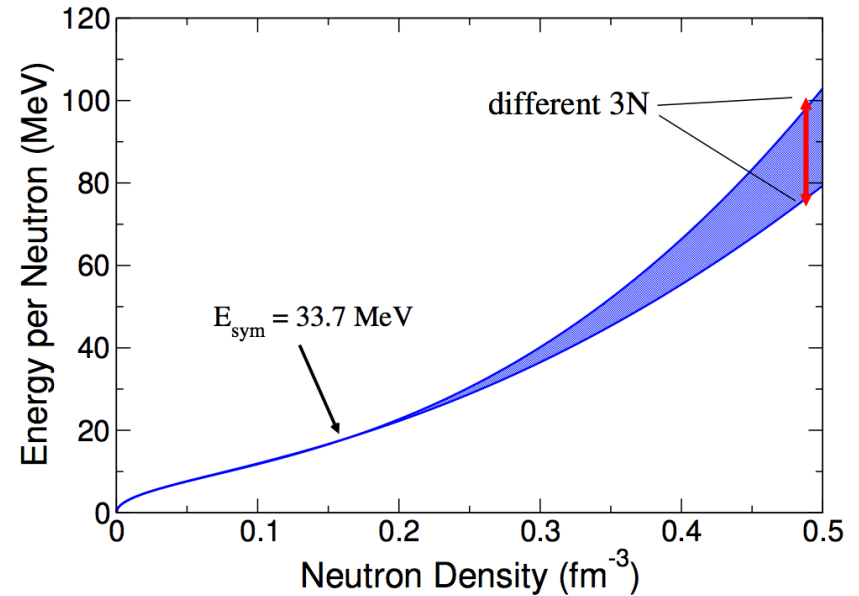
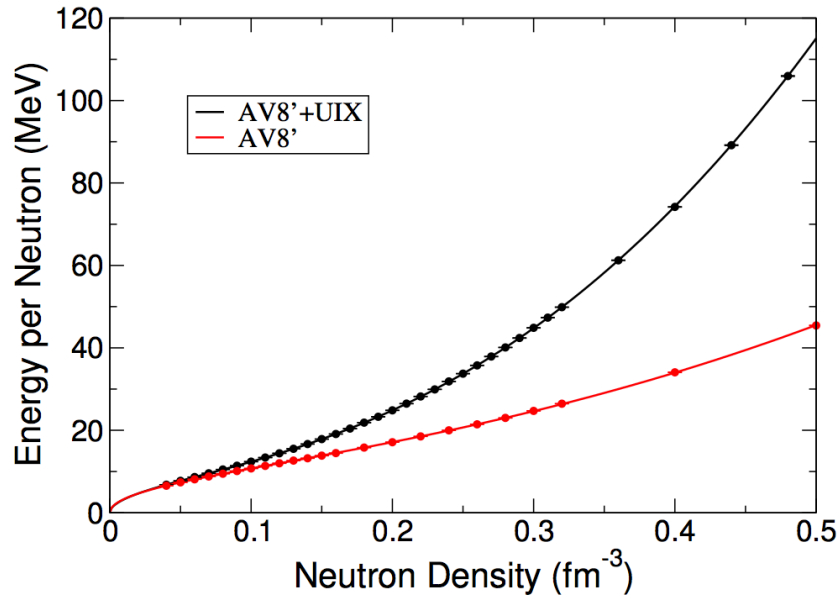
first complete N^3 LO result **Tews, Krüger, Hebeler, AS (2013)**

includes uncertainties from NN, 3N (dominates), 4N

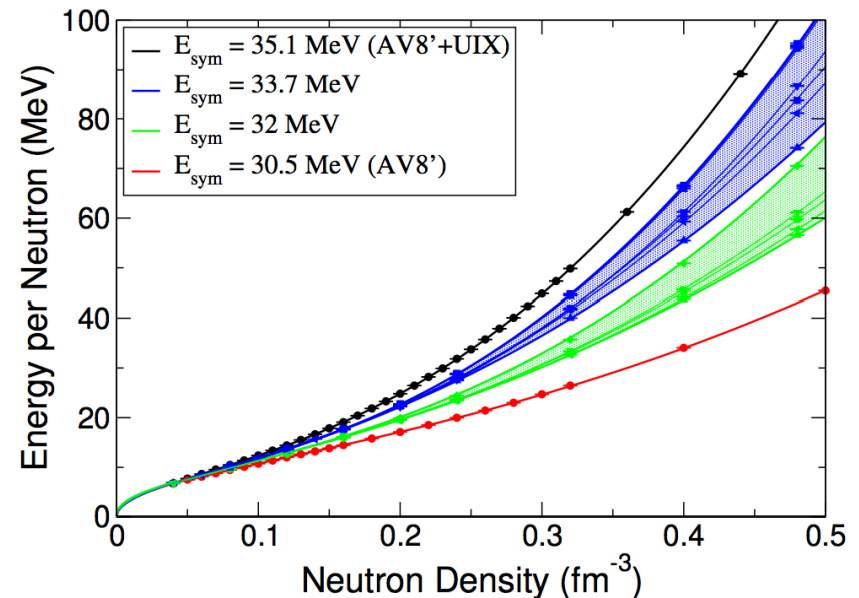


Other ab initio calculations

AFDMC based on AV8' NN + UIX 3N potentials [Gandolfi, Carlson, Reddy \(2012\)](#)

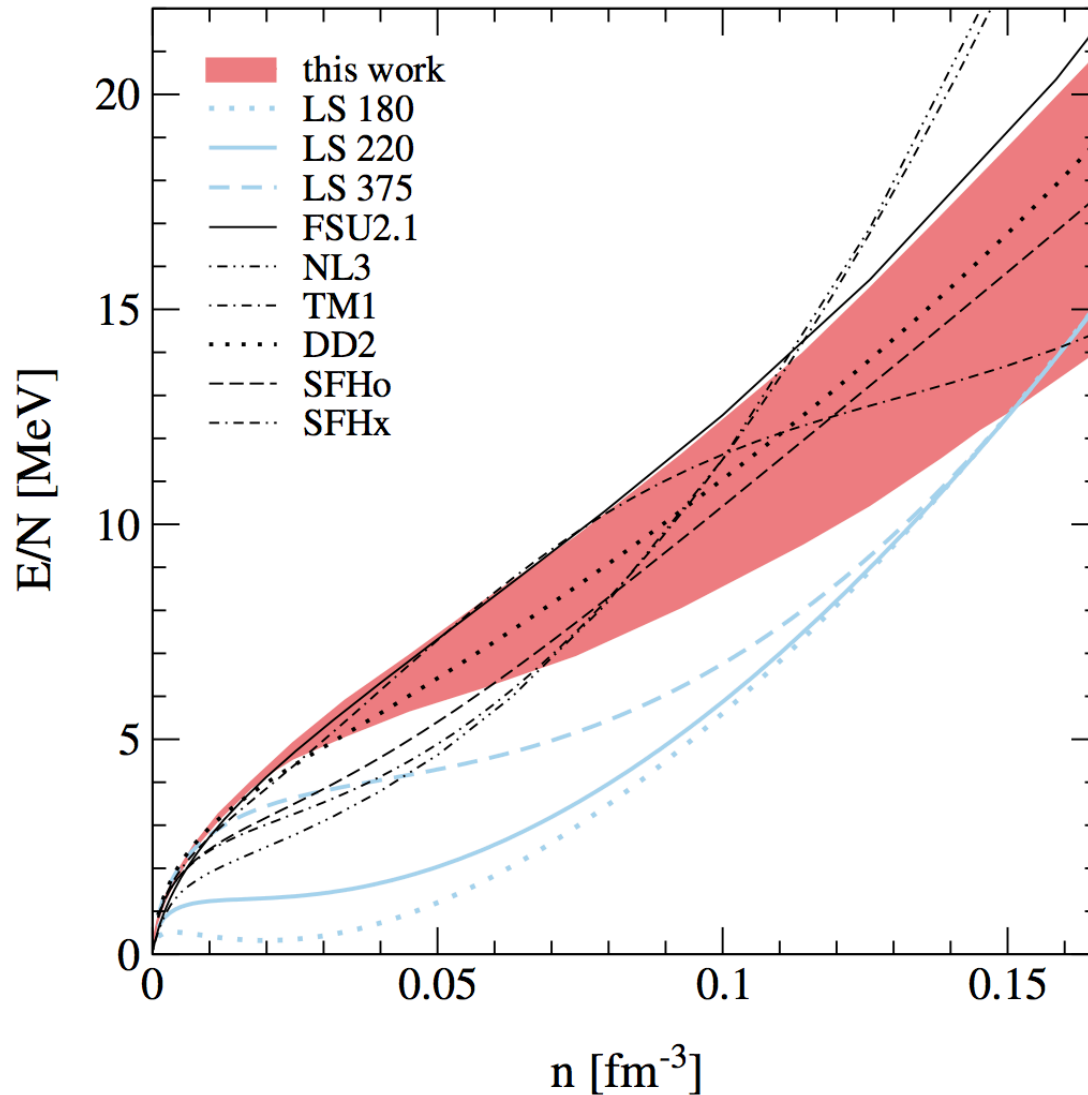


constructed different 3N forces
with symmetry energy range
between NN only and NN+3N



Comparisons to equations of state in astrophysics

many equations of state used in supernova simulations not consistent with neutron matter results

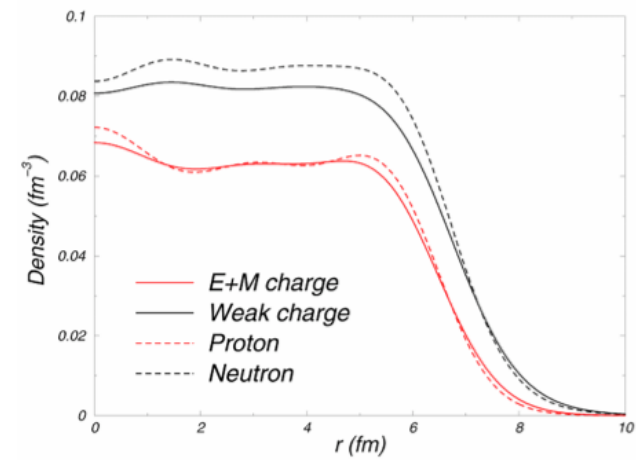


Neutron skin of ^{208}Pb

probes neutron matter energy/pressure,
neutron matter band predicts

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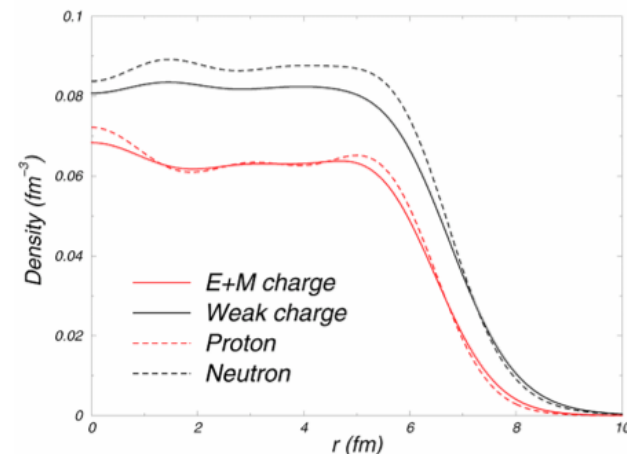


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in excellent agreement with extraction from complete E1 response

$0.156 + 0.025 - 0.021$ fm

PRL 107, 062502 (2011)

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

week ending
5 AUGUST 2011

Complete Electric Dipole Response and the Neutron Skin in ^{208}Pb

A benchmark experiment on ^{208}Pb shows that polarized proton inelastic scattering at very forward angles including 0° is a powerful tool for high-resolution studies of electric dipole (E1) and spin magnetic dipole (M1) modes in nuclei over a broad excitation energy range to test up-to-date nuclear models. The extracted E1 polarizability leads to a neutron skin thickness $r_{\text{skin}} = 0.156^{+0.025}_{-0.021}$ fm in ^{208}Pb derived within

PREX: neutron skin from parity-violating electron-scattering at JLAB

electron exchanges Z-boson, couples preferentially to neutrons

goal II: ± 0.06 fm

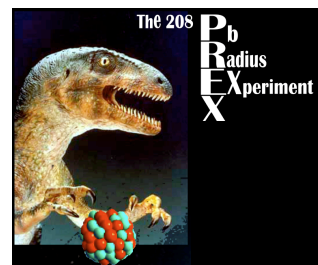
PRL 108, 112502 (2012)

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Measurement of the Neutron Radius of ^{208}Pb through Parity Violation in Electron Scattering

We report the first measurement of the parity-violating asymmetry A_{PV} in the elastic scattering of polarized electrons from ^{208}Pb . A_{PV} is sensitive to the radius of the neutron distribution (R_n). The result $A_{\text{PV}} = 0.656 \pm 0.060(\text{stat}) \pm 0.014(\text{syst})$ ppm corresponds to a difference between the radii of the neutron and proton distributions $R_n - R_p = 0.33^{+0.16}_{-0.18}$ fm and provides the first electroweak observation of the neutron skin which is expected in a heavy, neutron-rich nucleus.



Symmetry energy and density derivative L

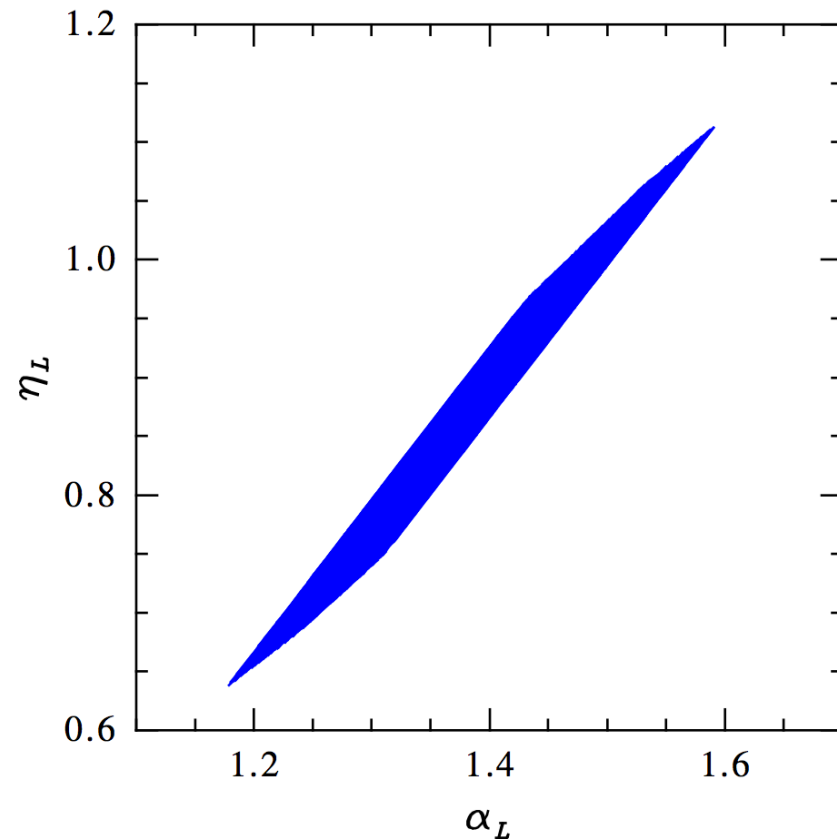
extract using empirical parametrization [Hebeler, Lattimer, Pethick, AS \(2013\)](#)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{E(\bar{n}, x)}{A} = T_0 & \left[\frac{3}{5} \left(x^{\frac{5}{3}} + (1-x)^{\frac{5}{3}} \right) (2\bar{n})^{\frac{2}{3}} \right. \\ & - \left. \left((2\alpha - 4\alpha_L) x (1-x) + \alpha_L \right) \bar{n} \right. \\ & \left. + \left((2\eta - 4\eta_L) x (1-x) + \eta_L \right) \bar{n}^\gamma \right] \end{aligned}$$

expansion in Fermi momentum ($\gamma=4/3$),
kinetic energy + quadratic asymmetry

α, η fit to empirical saturation point

α_L, η_L fit to neutron matter calculations



Symmetry energy and pressure of neutron matter

neutron matter band predicts
symmetry energy S_v and
its density derivative L

comparison to experimental
and observational constraints
Lattimer, Lim, ApJ (2012), EPJA (2014)

neutron matter constraints

H: Hebeler et al. (2010)

G: Gandolfi et al. (2011)

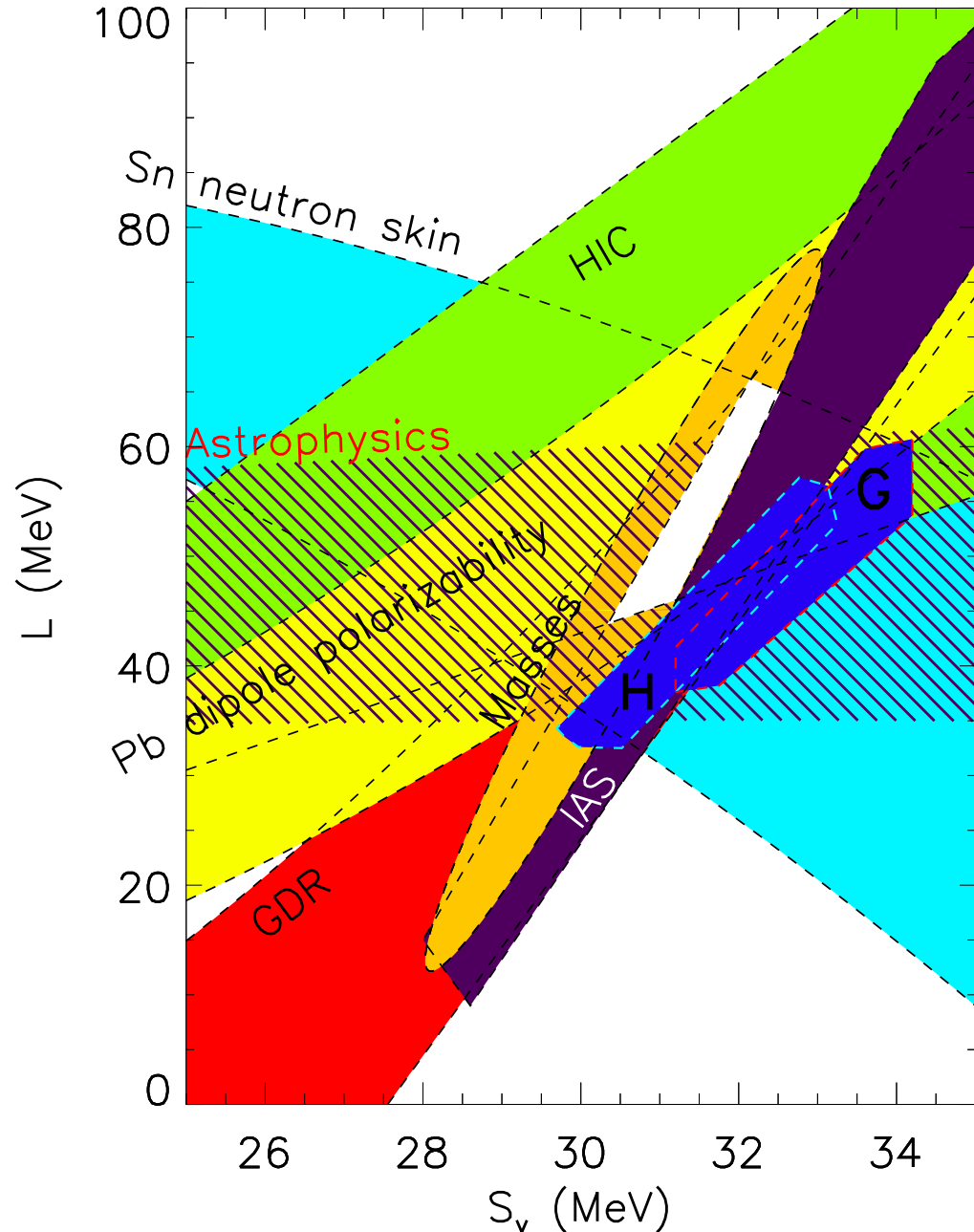
provide tight constraints!

combined with Skyrme EDFs
predicts neutron skin

^{208}Pb : 0.182(10) fm

^{48}Ca : 0.173(5) fm

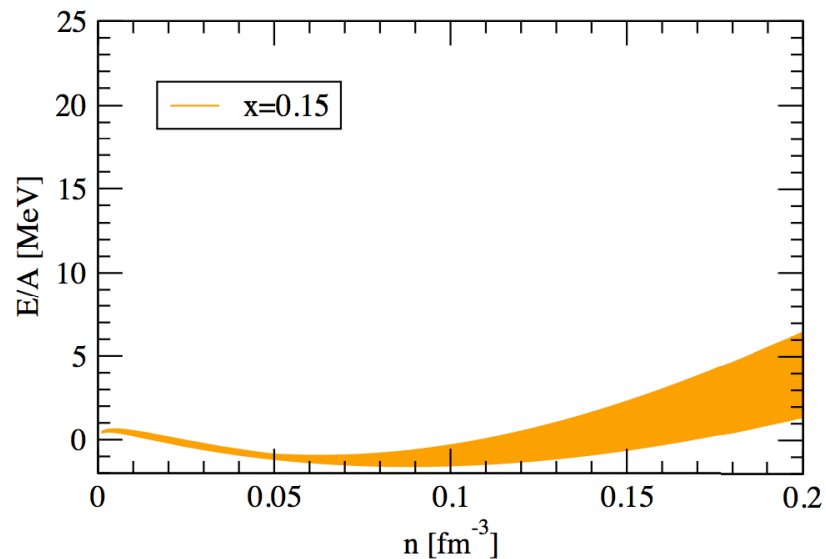
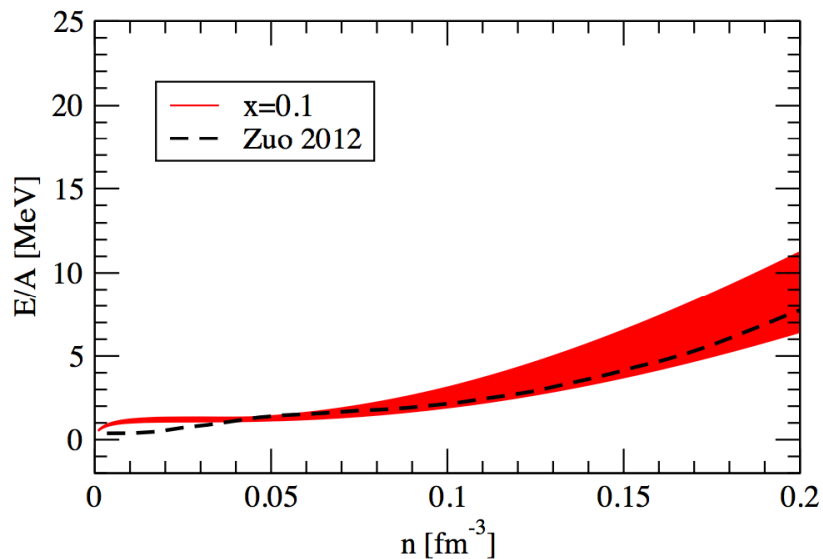
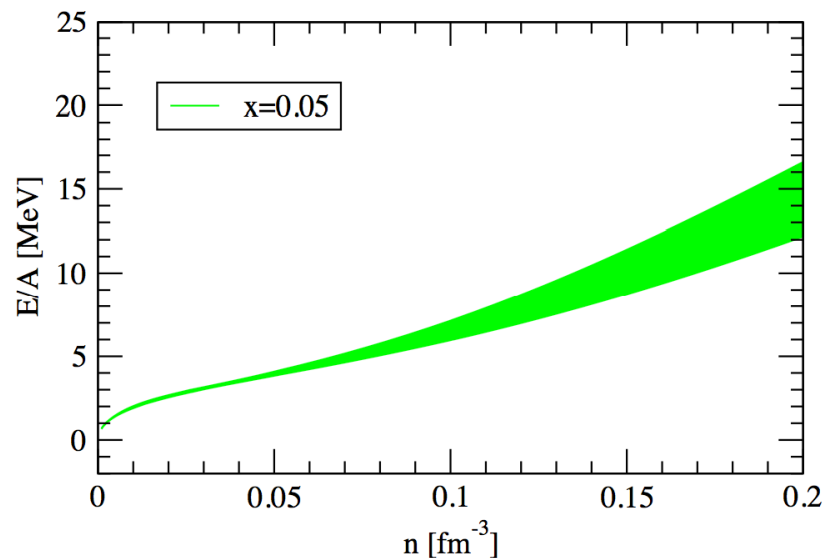
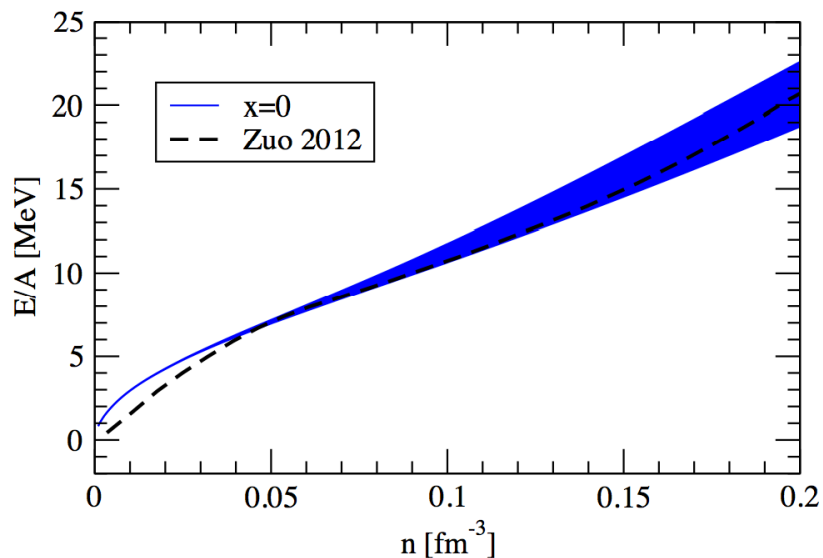
Brown, AS, PRC (2014)



Ab initio calculations of asymmetric matter

based on N^3 LO NN + N^2 LO 3N interactions **Drischler, Soma, AS, PRC (2014)**

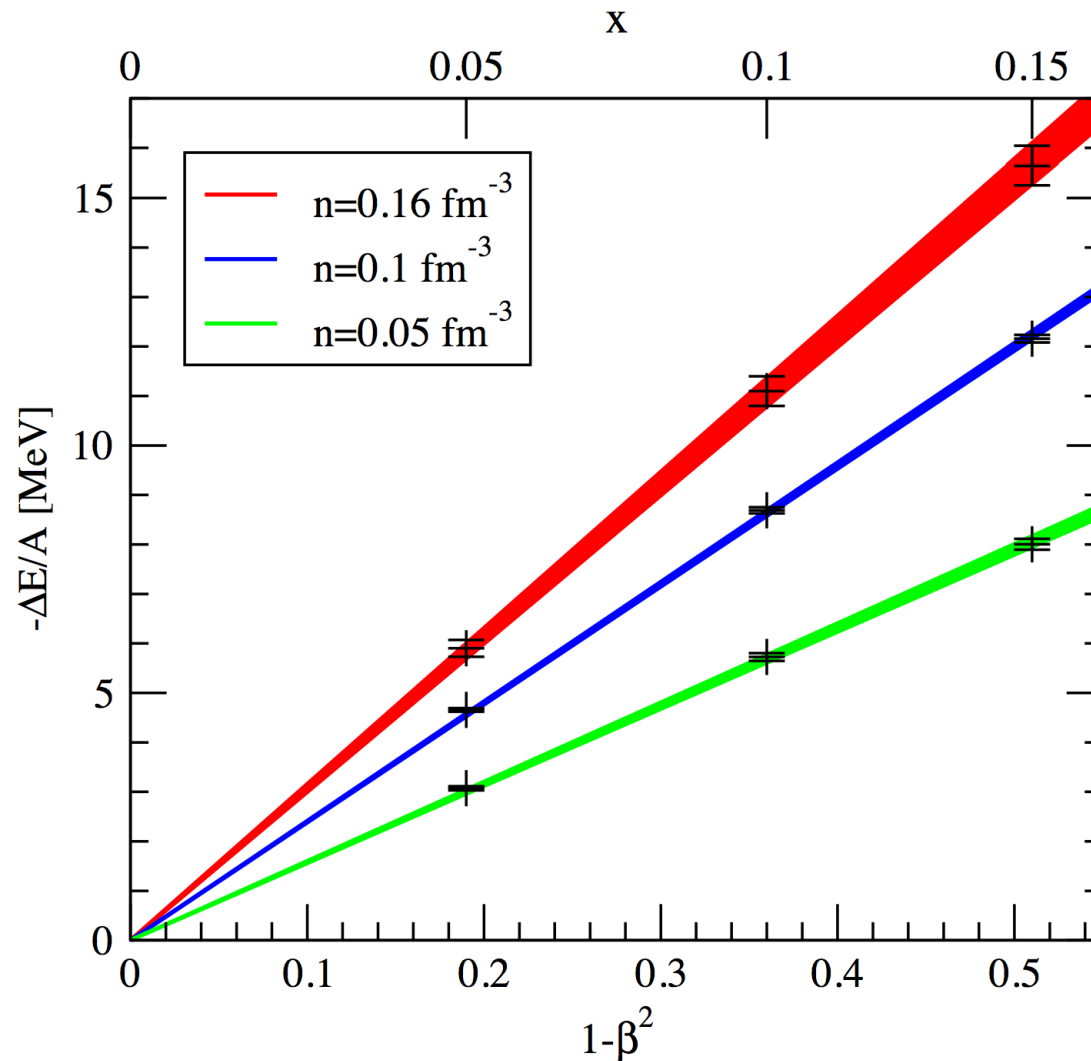
uncertainty band dominated by 3N



Ab-initio calculations of asymmetric matter

compares well with quadratic expansion even for n-rich conditions

$$\frac{E(n, \beta)}{A} = \frac{E(n, \beta = 0)}{A} + E_{\text{sym}}(n) \beta^2 + \mathcal{O}(\beta^4)$$

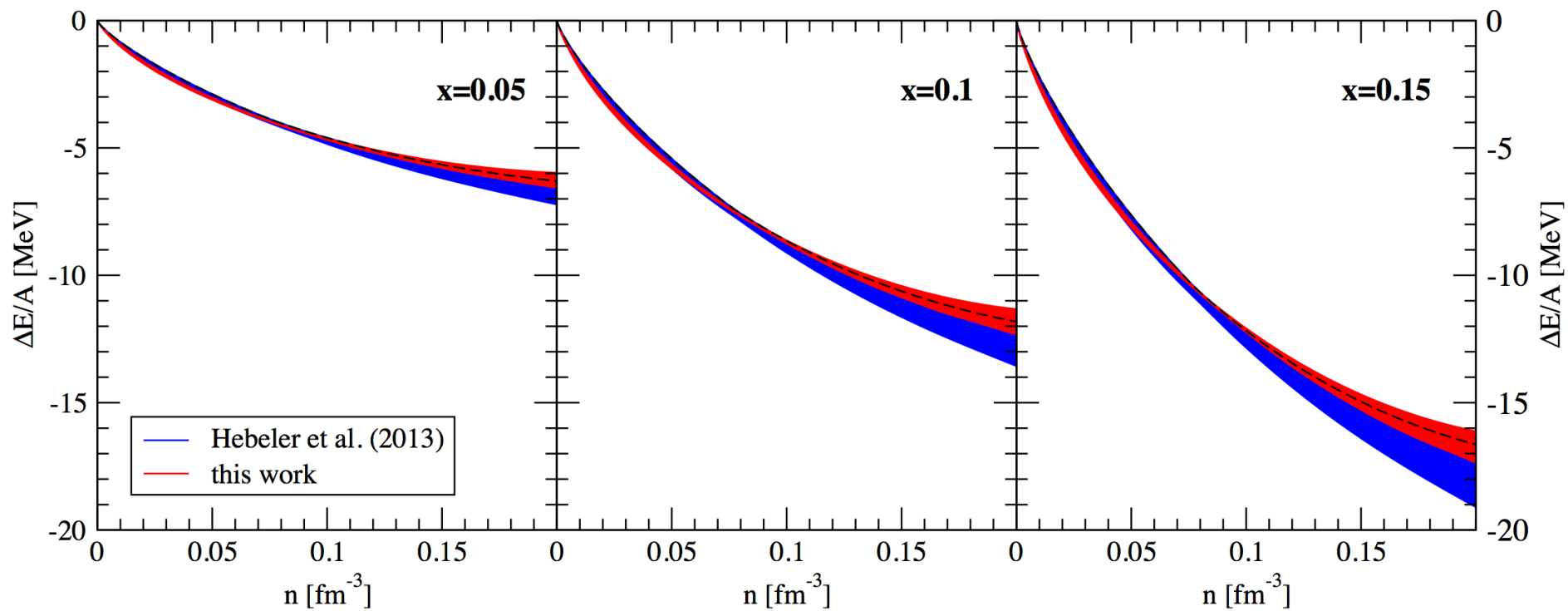


Ab-initio calculations of asymmetric matter

benchmark empirical parametrization: $\Delta E = \text{diff. to neutron matter}$

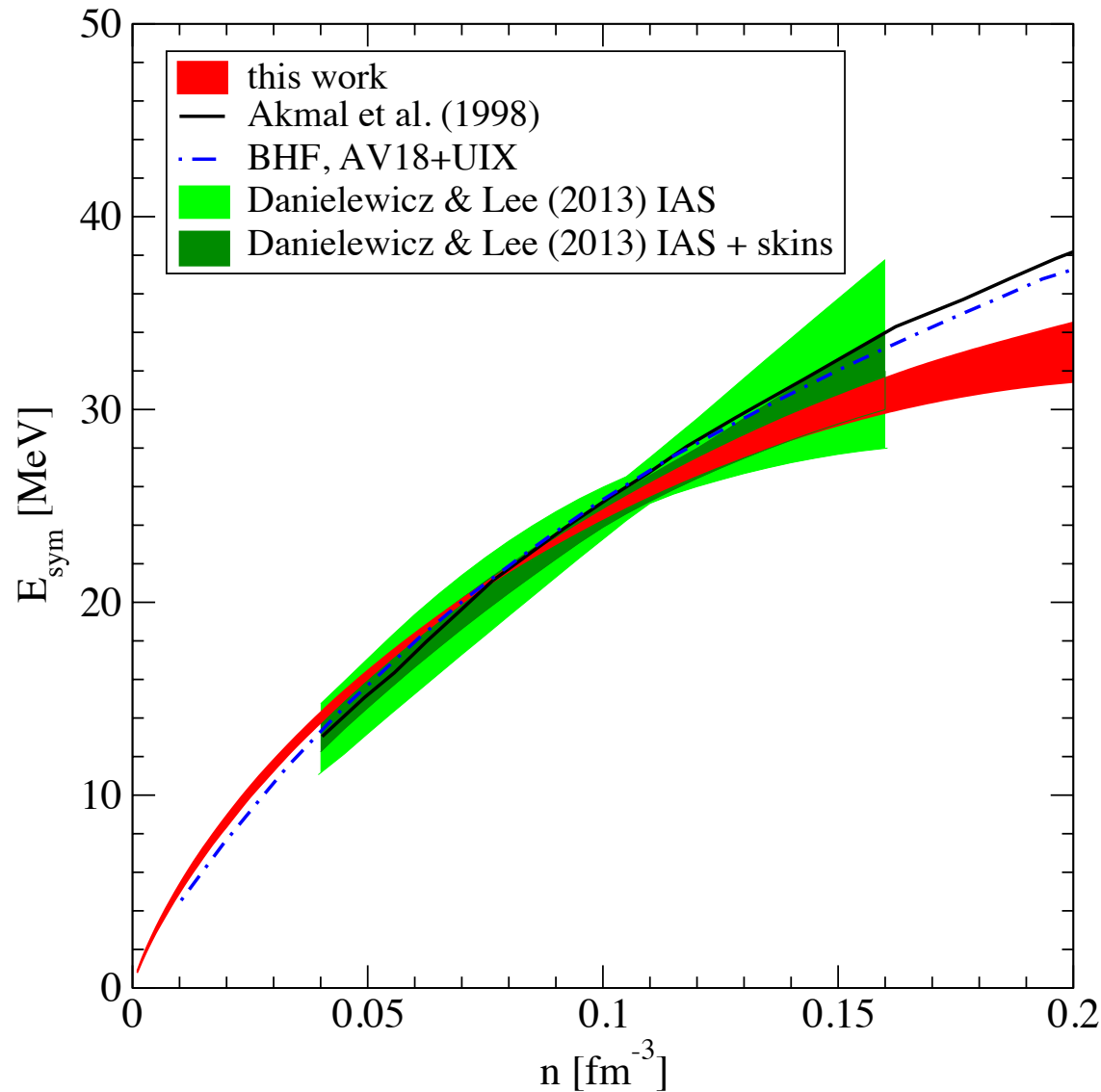
good agreement with ab-initio calculations, very useful for astrophysics

$$\frac{E(\bar{n}, x)}{A} = T_0 \left[\frac{3}{5} \left(x^{\frac{5}{3}} + (1-x)^{\frac{5}{3}} \right) (2\bar{n})^{\frac{2}{3}} \right. \\ \left. - ((2\alpha - 4\alpha_L) x (1-x) + \alpha_L) \bar{n} \right. \\ \left. + ((2\eta - 4\eta_L) x (1-x) + \eta_L) \bar{n}^\gamma \right]$$



Calculations of asymmetric matter Drischler, Soma, AS, PRD (2014)

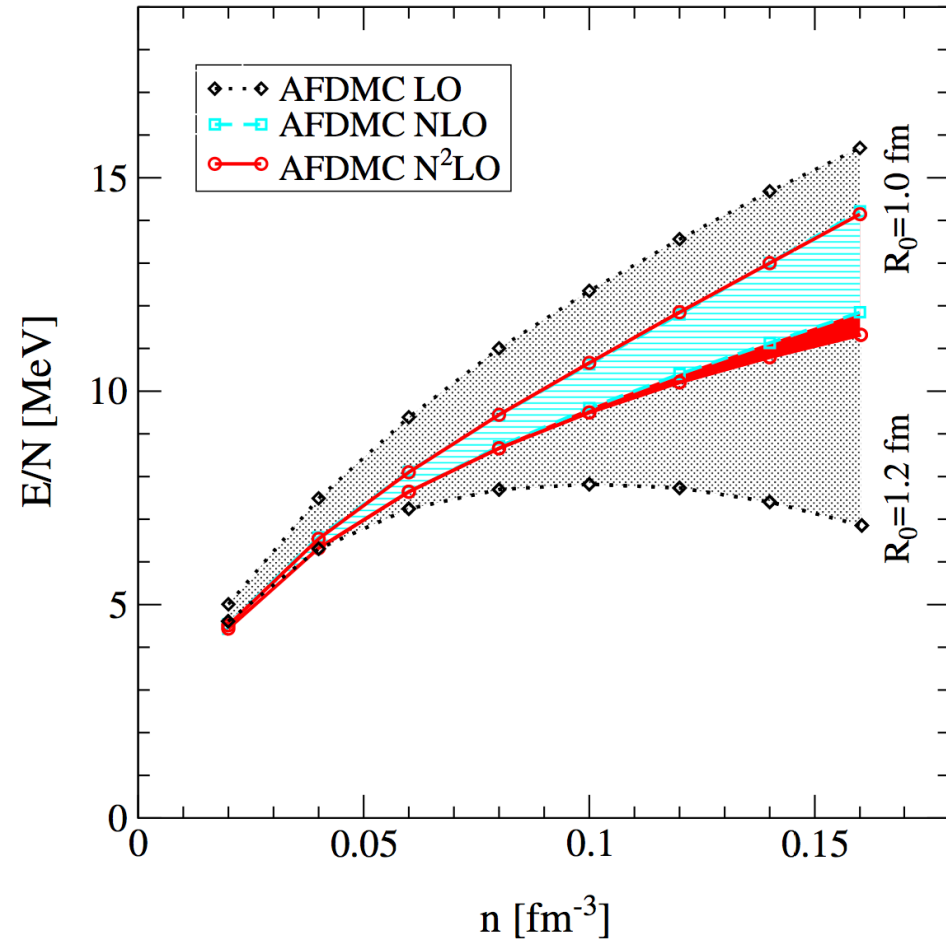
E_{sym} comparison with extraction from isobaric analogue states (IAS)
3N forces fit to ${}^3\text{H}$, ${}^4\text{He}$ properties only



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and arXiv:1406.0454

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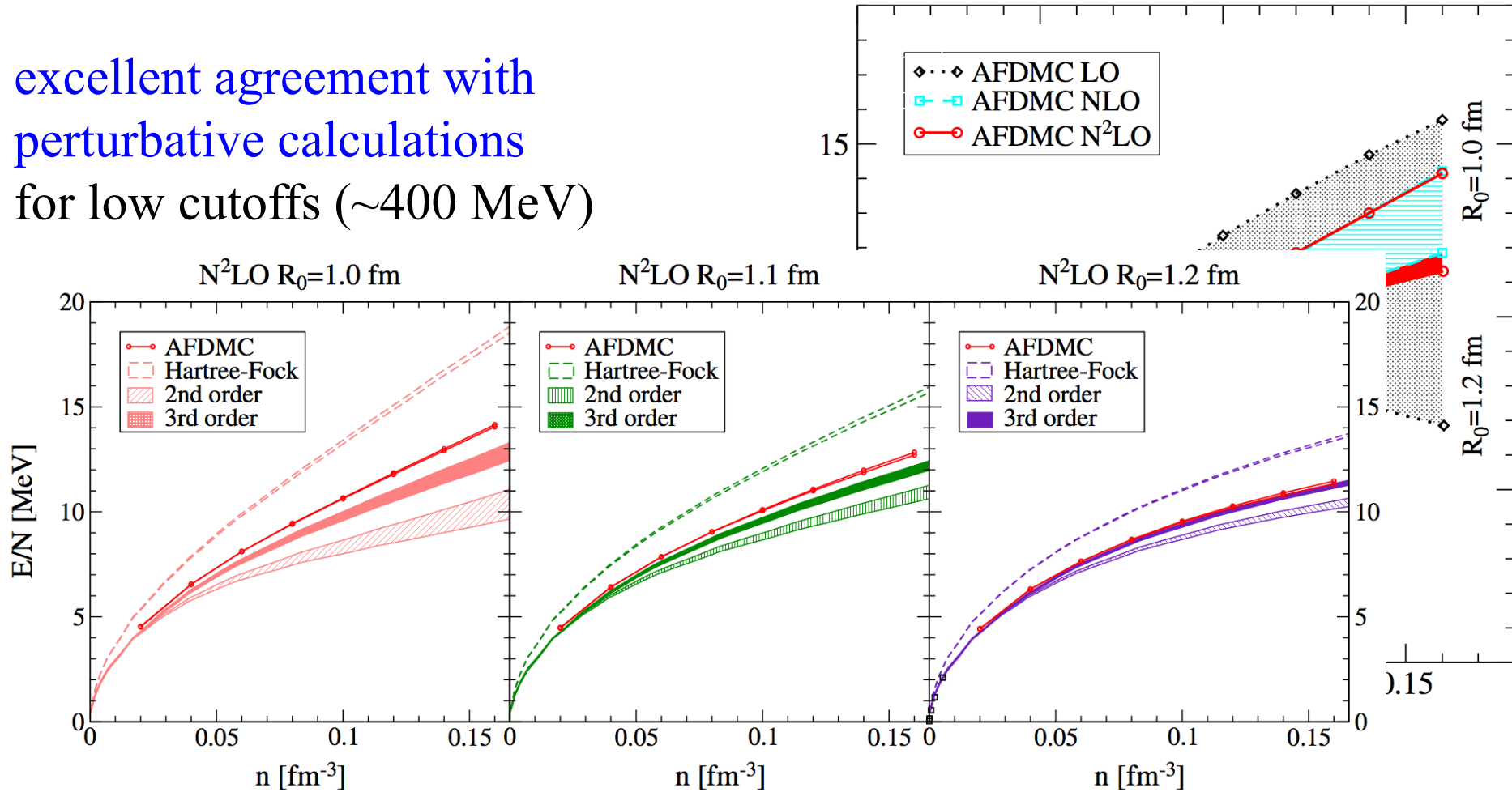


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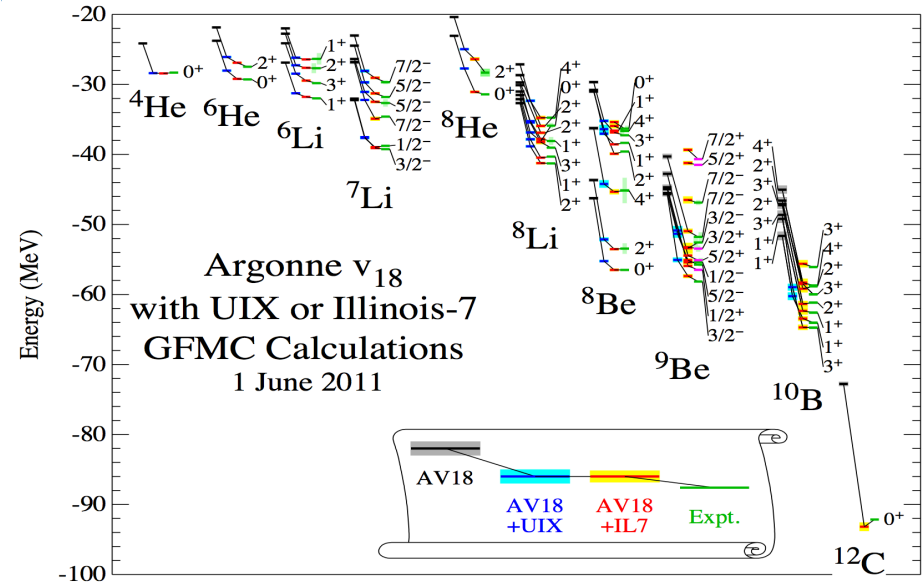
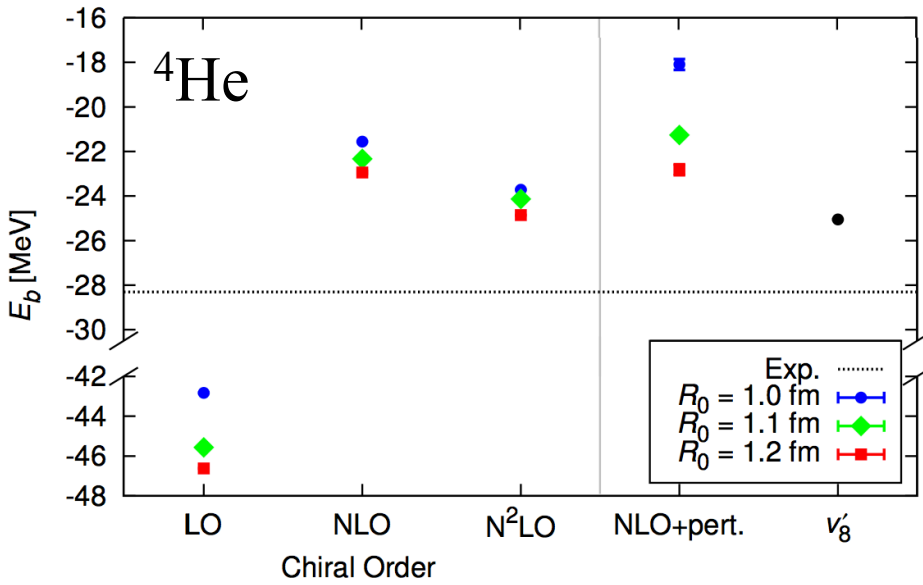
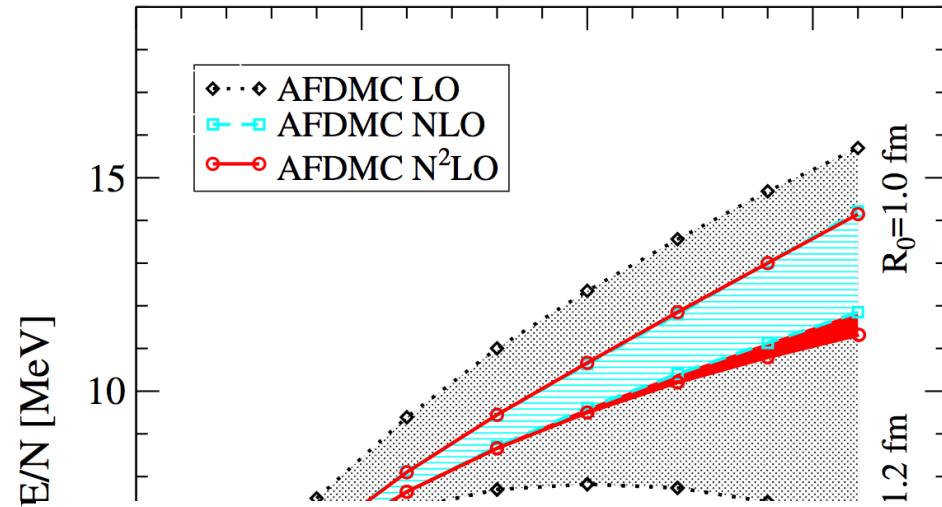
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light nuclei based on GFMC

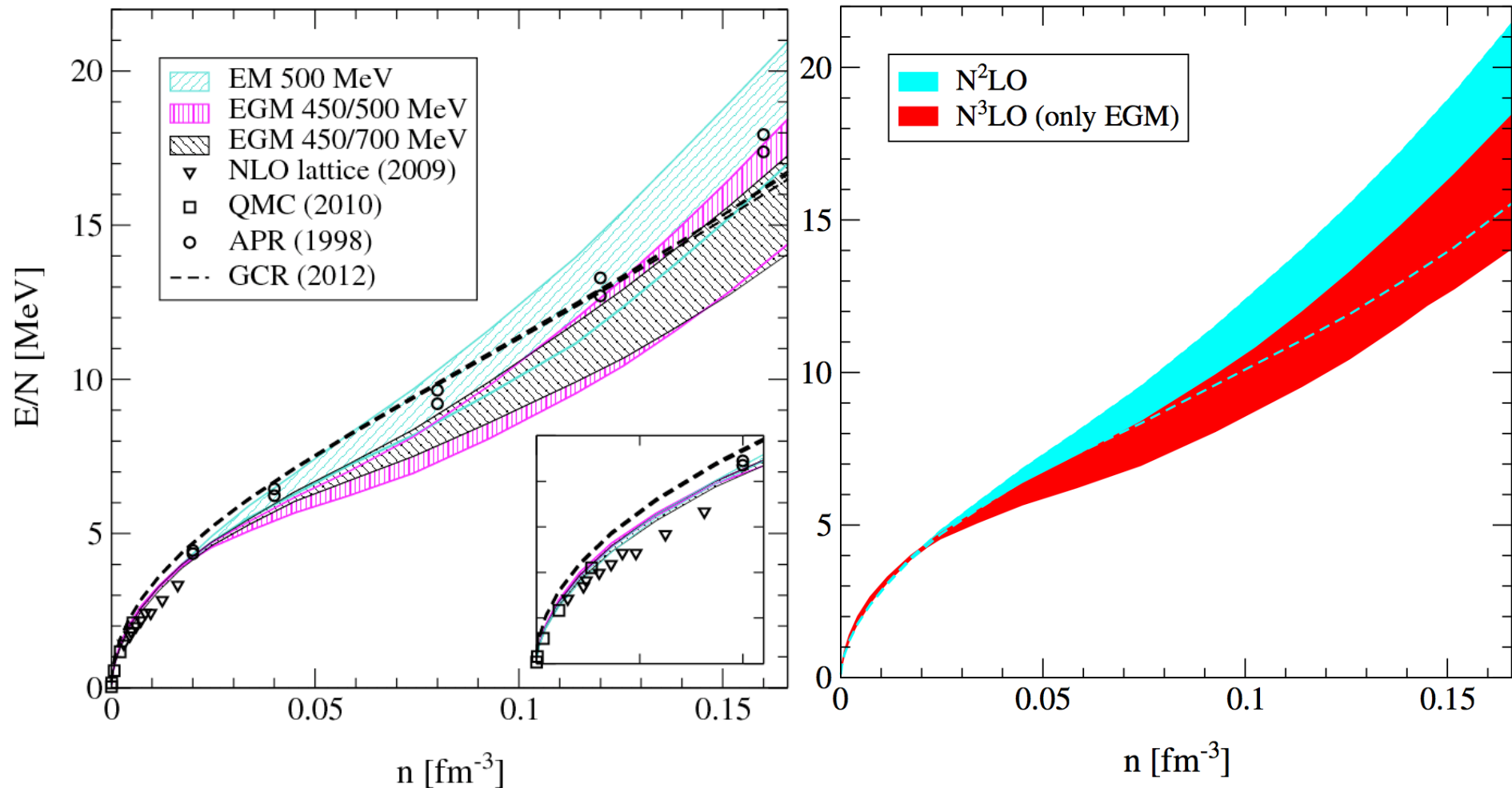
Lynn et al., arXiv:1406.2718



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Discovery of the heaviest neutron star

A two-solar-mass neutron star measured using Shapiro delay

P. B. Demorest¹, T. Pennucci², S. M. Ransom¹, M. S. E. Roberts³ & J. W. T. Hessels^{4,5}

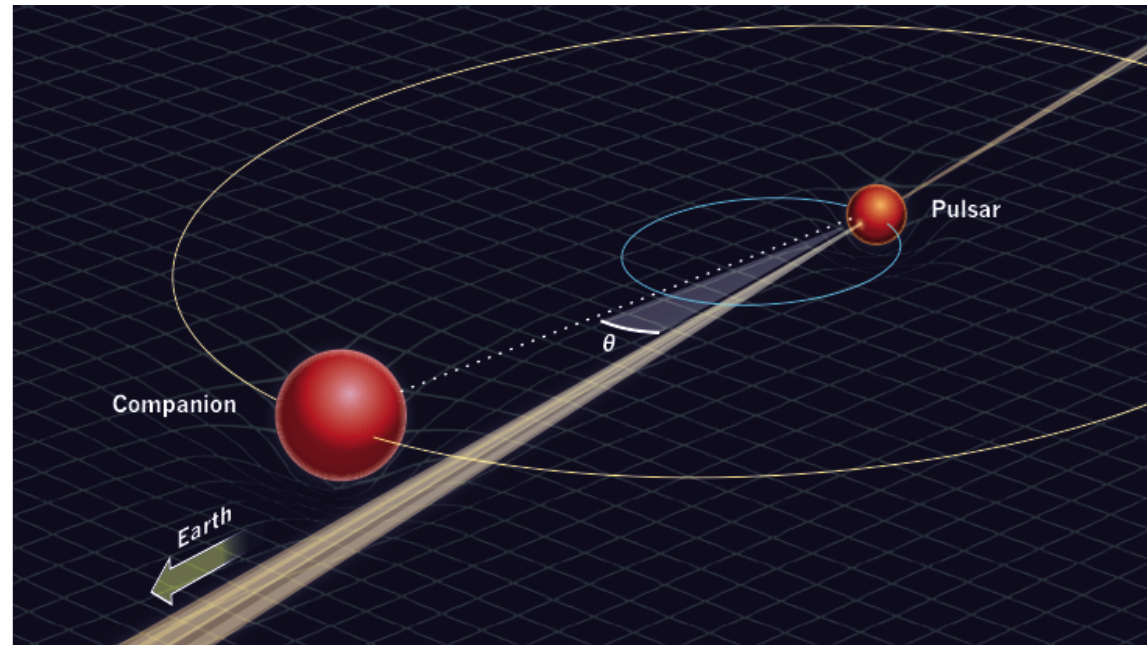
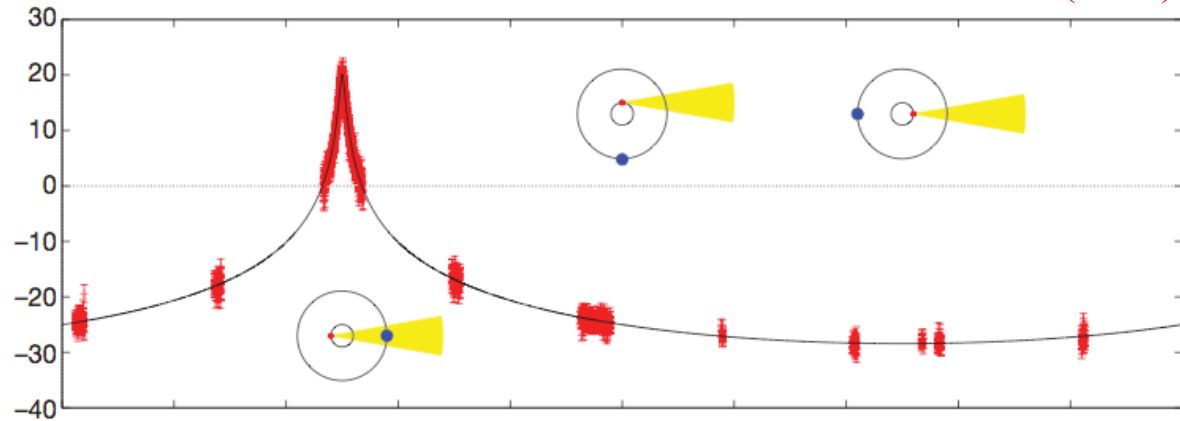
Nature (2010)

direct measurement of
neutron star mass from
increase in signal travel
time near companion

J1614-2230

most edge-on binary
pulsar known (89.17°)
+ massive white dwarf
companion ($0.5 M_{\text{sun}}$)

heaviest neutron star
with $1.97 \pm 0.04 M_{\text{sun}}$



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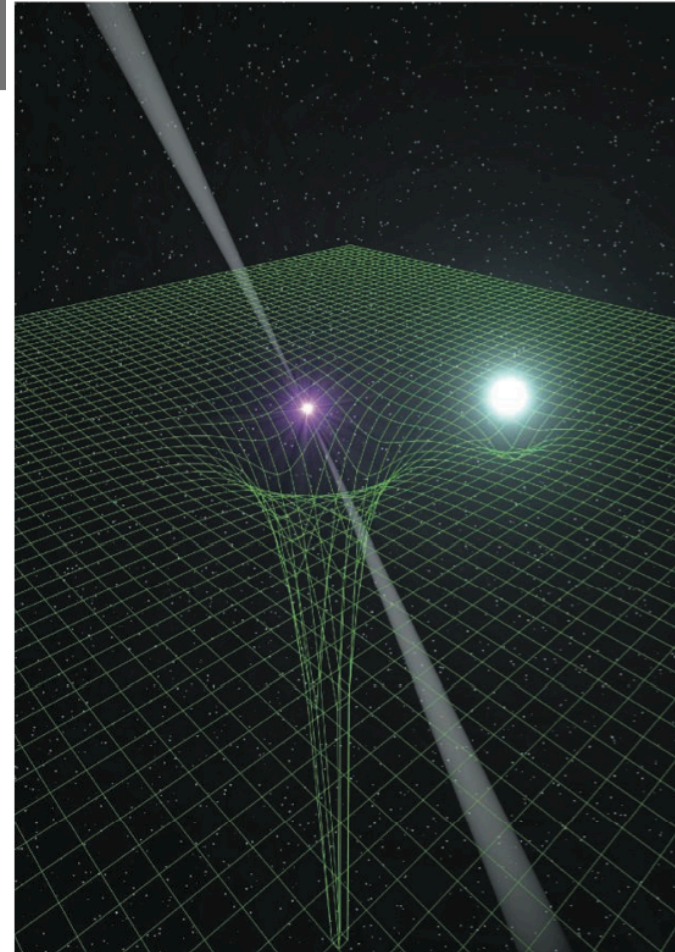
A Massive Pulsar in a Compact Relativistic Binary

John Antoniadis,* Paulo C. C. Freire, Norbert Wex, Thomas M. Tauris, Ryan S. Lynch, Marten H. van Kerkwijk, Michael Kramer, Cees Bassa, Vik S. Dhillon, Thomas Driebe, Jason W. T. Hessels, Victoria M. Kaspi, Vladislav I. Kondratiev, Norbert Langer, Thomas R. Marsh, Maura A. McLaughlin, Timothy T. Pennucci, Scott M. Ransom, Ingrid H. Stairs, Joeri van Leeuwen, Joris P. W. Verbiest, David G. Whelan

Introduction: Neutron stars with masses above 1.8 solar masses (M_{\odot}), possess extreme gravitational fields, which may give rise to phenomena outside general relativity. Hitherto, these strong-field deviations have not been probed by experiment, because they become observable only in tight binaries containing a high-mass pulsar and where orbital decay resulting from emission of gravitational waves can be tested. Understanding the origin of such a system would also help to answer fundamental questions of close-binary evolution.

Methods: We report on radio-timing observations of the pulsar J0348+0432 and phase-resolved optical spectroscopy of its white-dwarf companion, which is in a 2.46-hour orbit. We used these to derive the component masses and orbital parameters, infer the system's motion, and constrain its age.

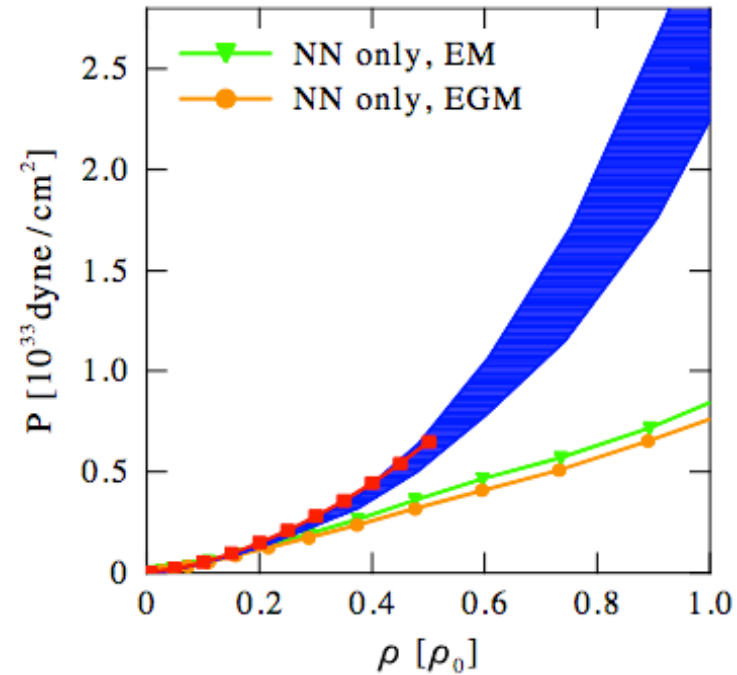
Results: We find that the white dwarf has a mass of $0.172 \pm 0.003 M_{\odot}$, which, combined with orbital velocity measurements, yields a pulsar mass of $2.01 \pm 0.04 M_{\odot}$. Additionally, over a span of 2 years, we observed a significant decrease in the orbital period, $\dot{P}_b^{\text{obs}} = -8.6 \pm 1.4 \mu\text{s year}^{-1}$ in our radio-timing data.



Artist's impression of the PSR J0348+0432 system. The compact pulsar (with beams of radio emission) produces a strong distortion of spacetime (illustrated by the green mesh). Conversely, spacetime around its white dwarf companion (in light blue) is substantially less curved. According to relativistic theories of gravity, the binary system is subject to energy loss by gravitational waves.

Impact on neutron stars Hebeler, Lattimer, Pethick, AS (2010, 2013)

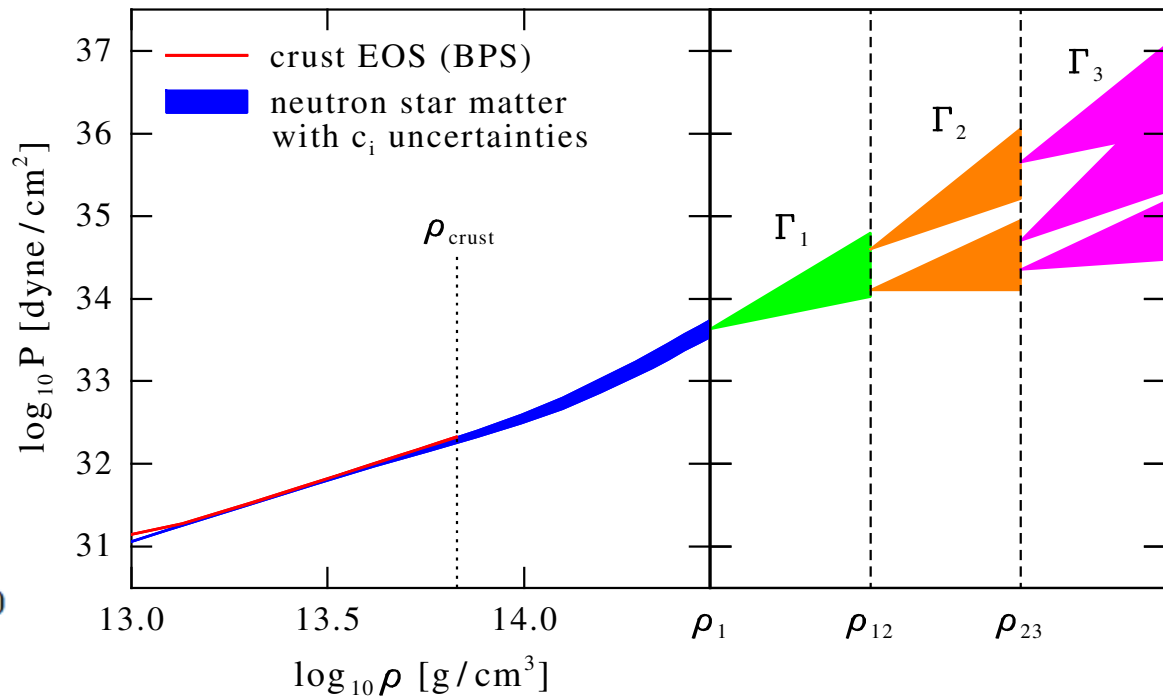
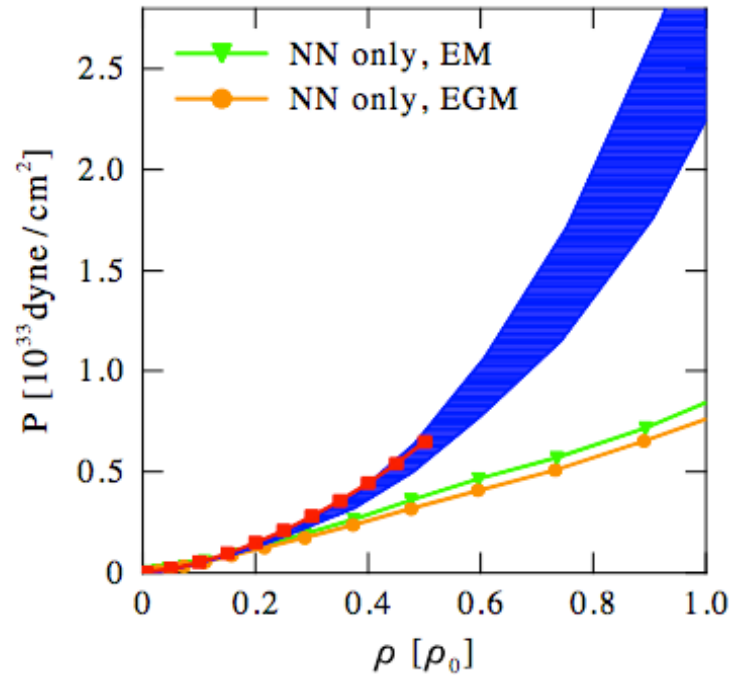
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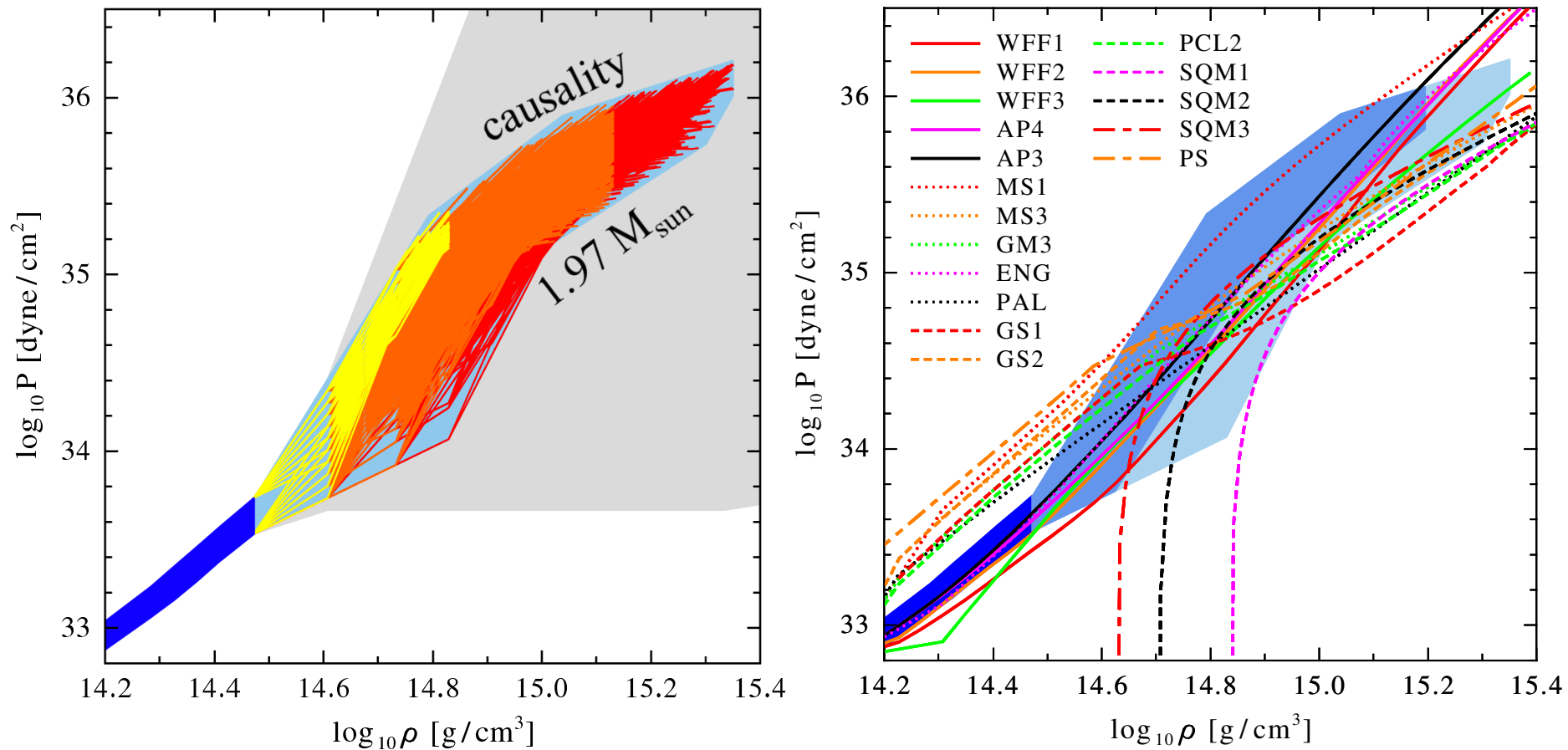


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extend uncertainty band to higher densities using piecewise polytropes
allow for soft regions

Pressure of neutron star matter

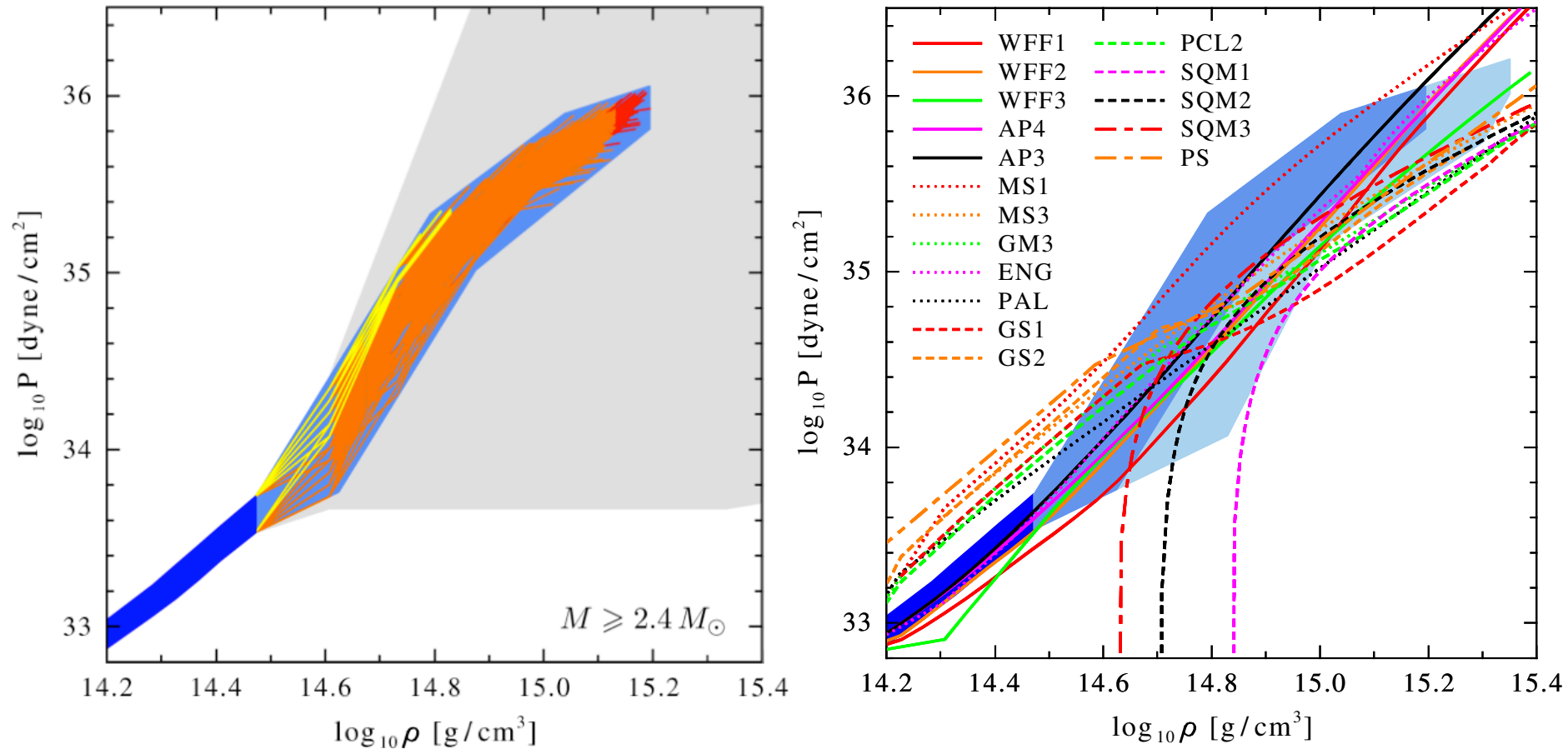
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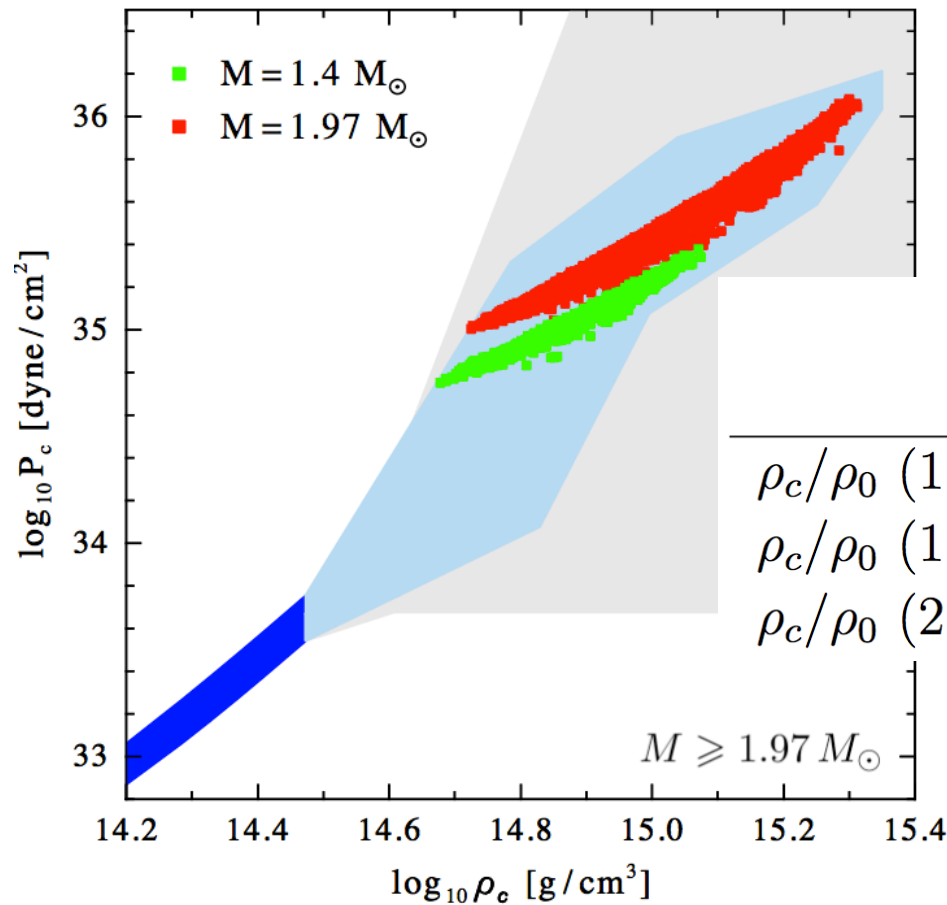


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darker blue band for $2.4 M_{\text{sun}}$ star

Pressure of neutron star matter

constrain polytropes by causality and require to support $1.97 M_{\text{sun}}$ star



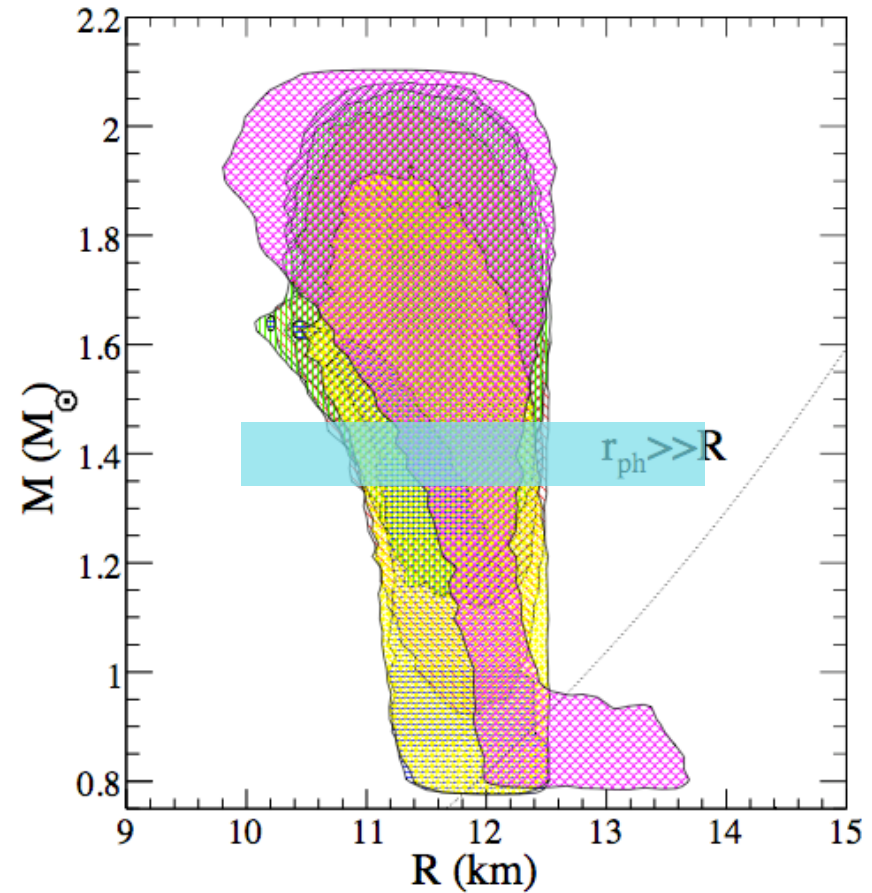
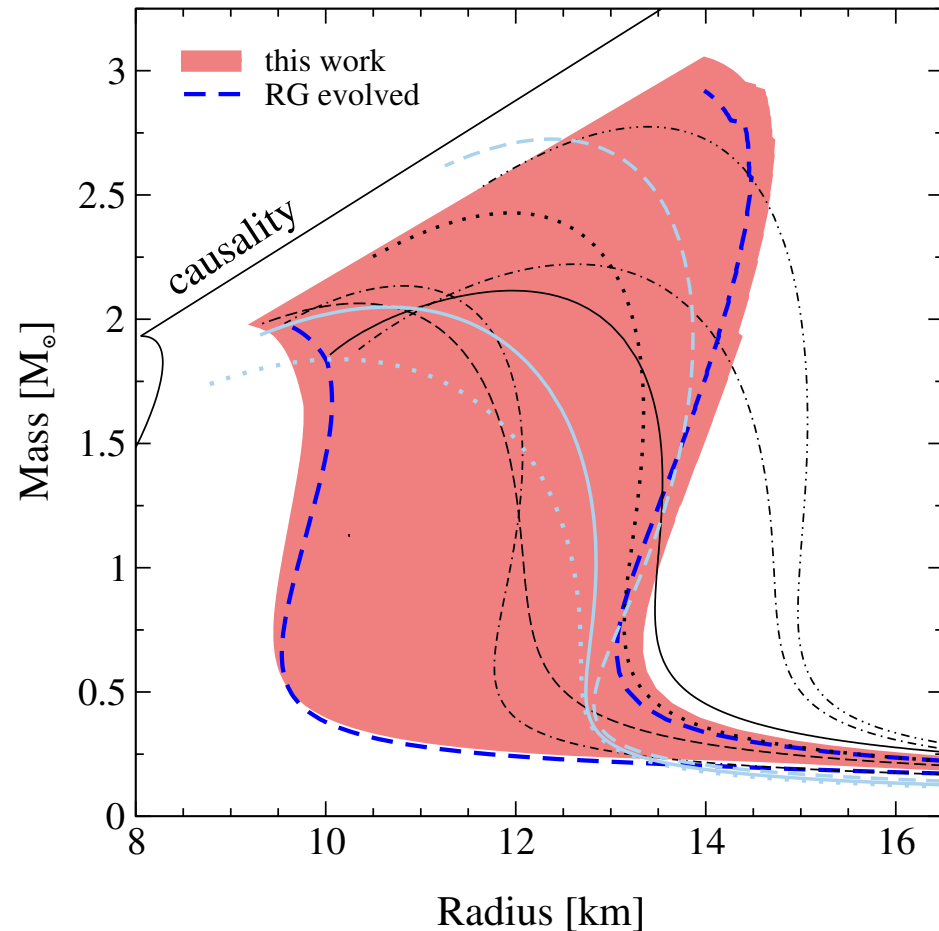
	$\widehat{M} = 1.97 M_{\odot}$		$\widehat{M} = 2.4 M_{\odot}$	
	min	max	min	max
ρ_c/ρ_0 ($1.4 M_{\odot}$)	1.8	4.4	1.8	2.7
ρ_c/ρ_0 ($1.97 M_{\odot}$)	2.0	7.6	2.0	3.4
ρ_c/ρ_0 ($2.4 M_{\odot}$)			2.2	5.4

low-density pressure sets scale, chiral EFT interactions provide strong constraints, ruling out many model equations of state

central densities for $1.4 M_{\text{sun}}$ star: 1.8-4.4 ρ_0

Neutron star radius constraints

uncertainty from many-body forces and general extrapolation



constrains neutron star radius: 9.7-13.9 km for $M=1.4 M_{\text{sun}}$ ($\pm 18\%$!)

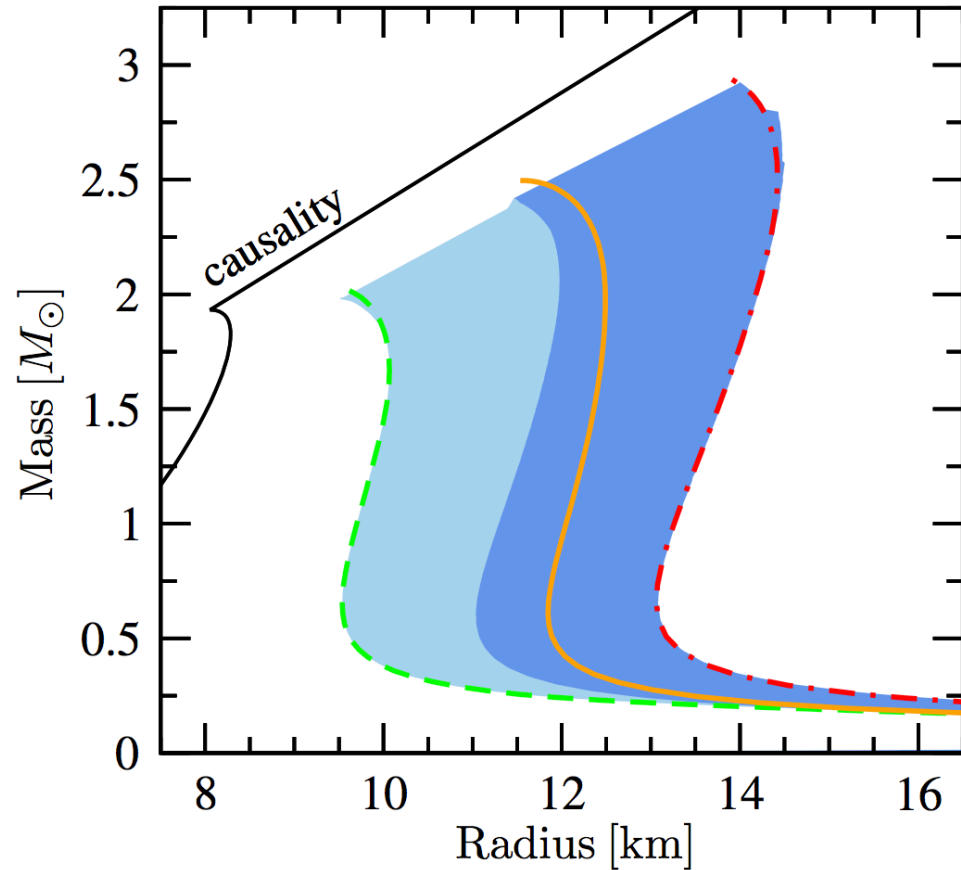
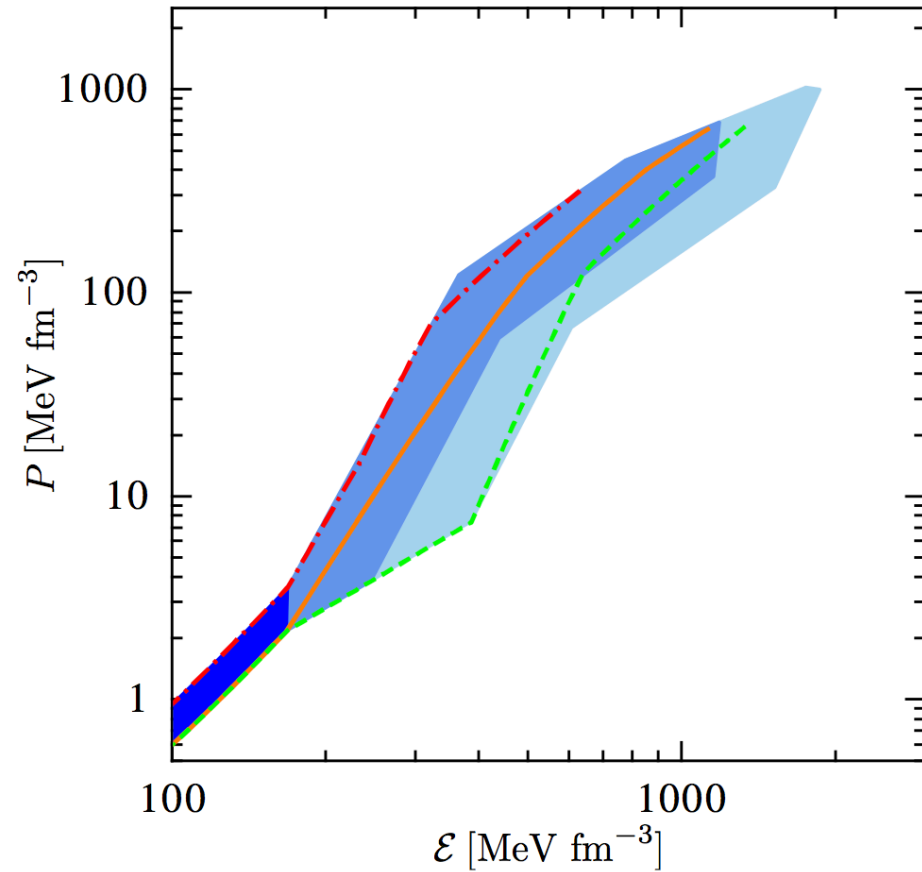
consistent with extraction from X-ray burst sources [Steiner et al. \(2010\)](#)

provides important constraints for EOS for core-collapse supernovae

Representative equations of state

all EOS for cold matter in beta equilibrium should go through our band

constructed 3 representative EOS for users: **soft**, **intermediate**, **stiff**



Neutron-star mergers and gravitational waves

explore sensitivity to neutron-rich matter in neutron-star merger predictions for gravitational-wave signal, including NP uncertainties

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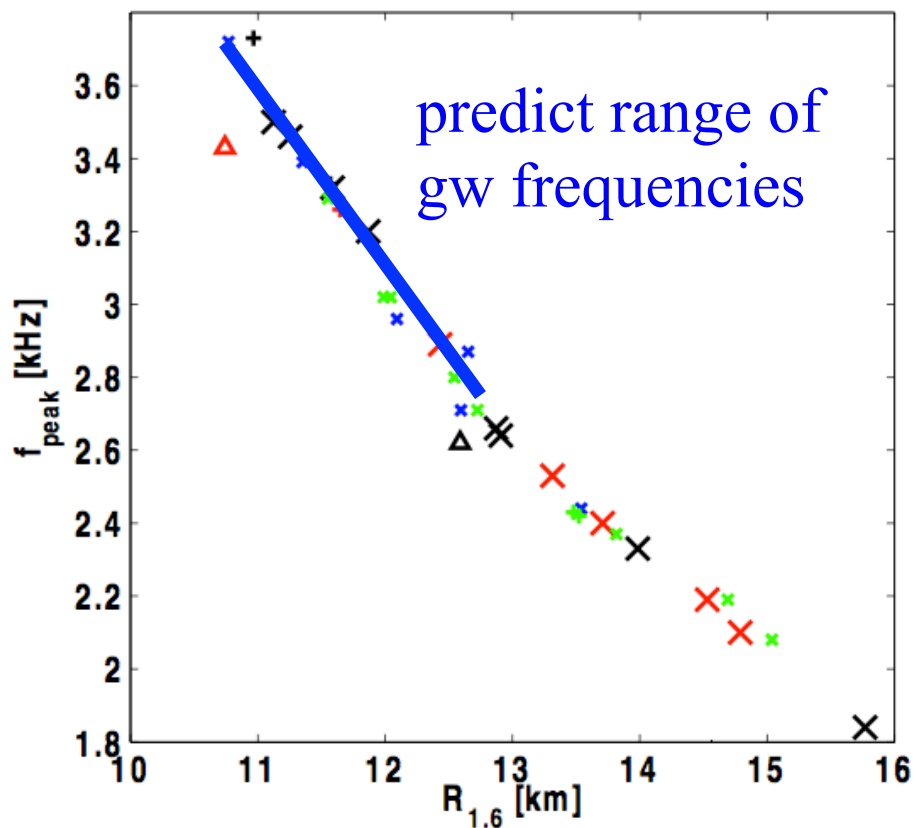
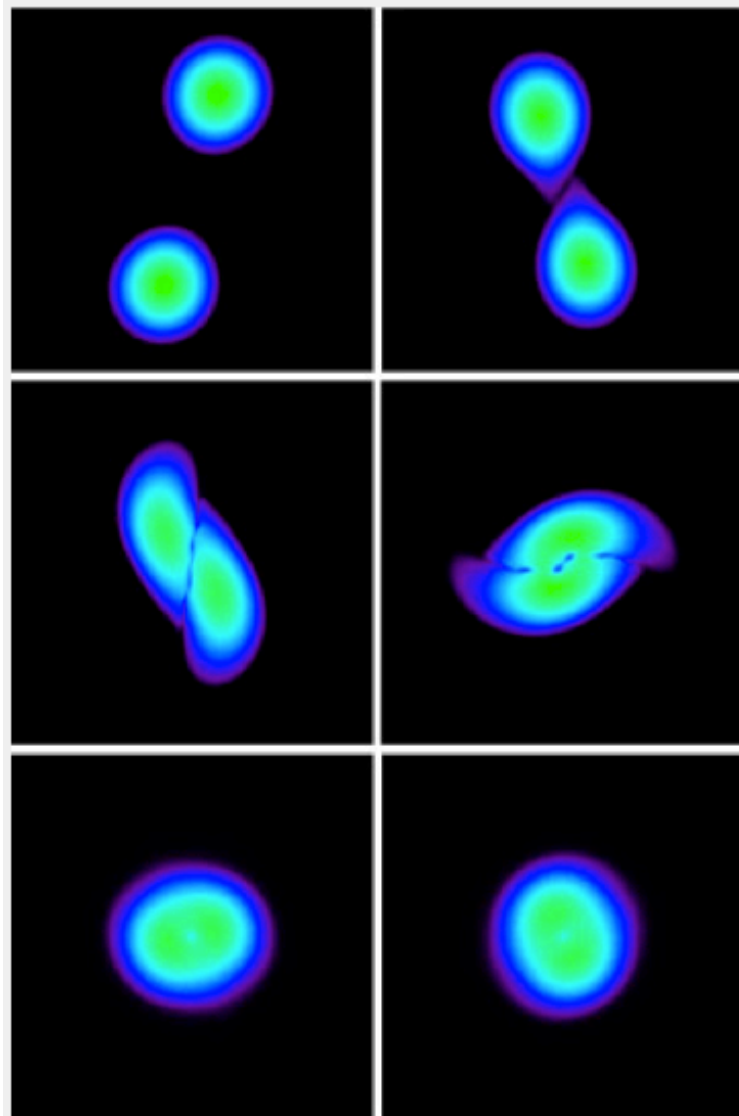


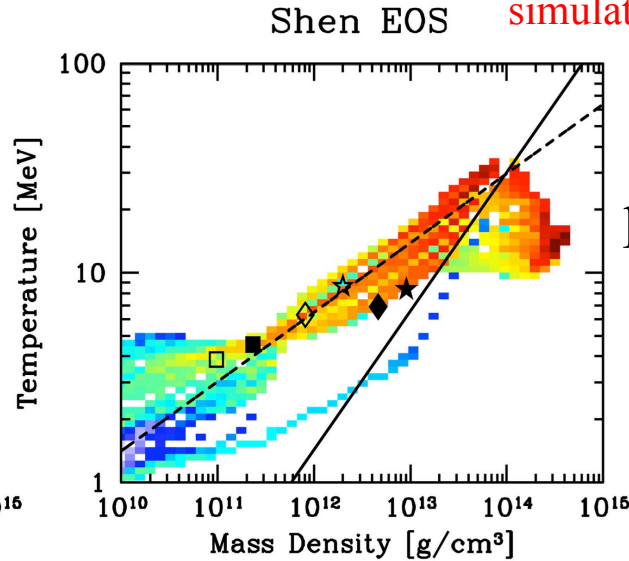
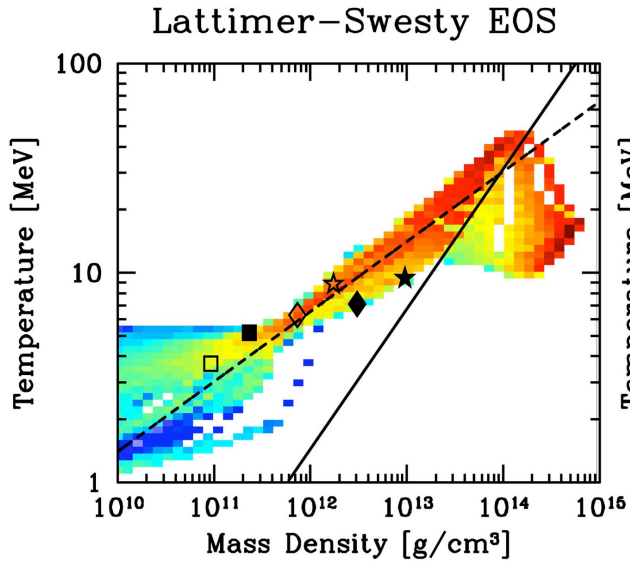
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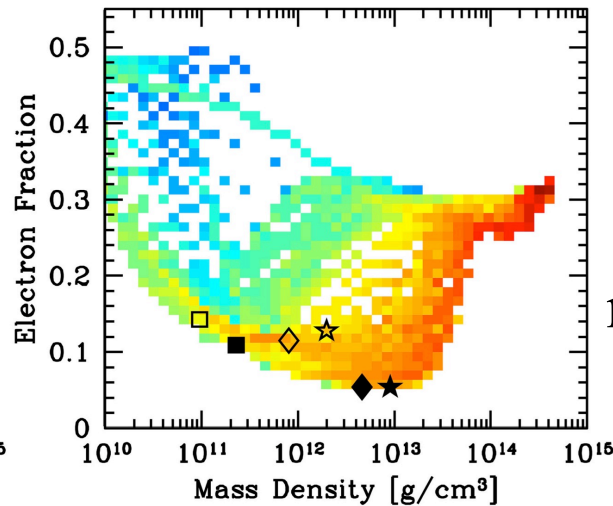
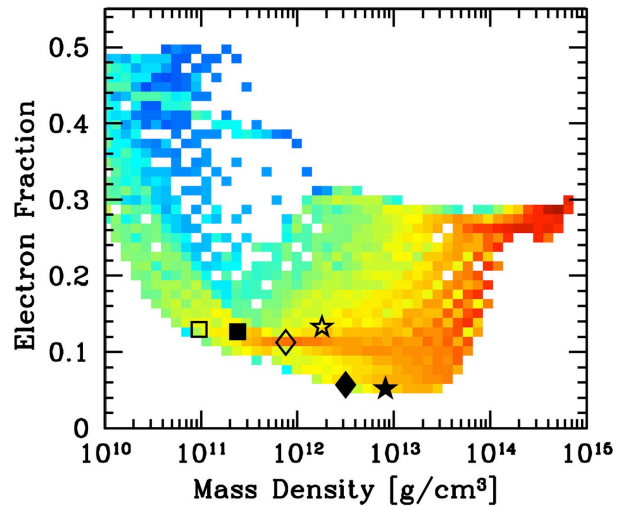
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15 M_{\odot} progenitor

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partially degenerate



neutron-rich

crucial densities below nuclear matter density $\sim 10^{13}$ - 10^{14} g/cm^3
(high densities: neutrinos trap; low densities: few interactions)

Neutrino rates from chiral effective field theory

processes involving two nucleons play a special role [Friman, ... Suzuki, Raffelt, ...](#)

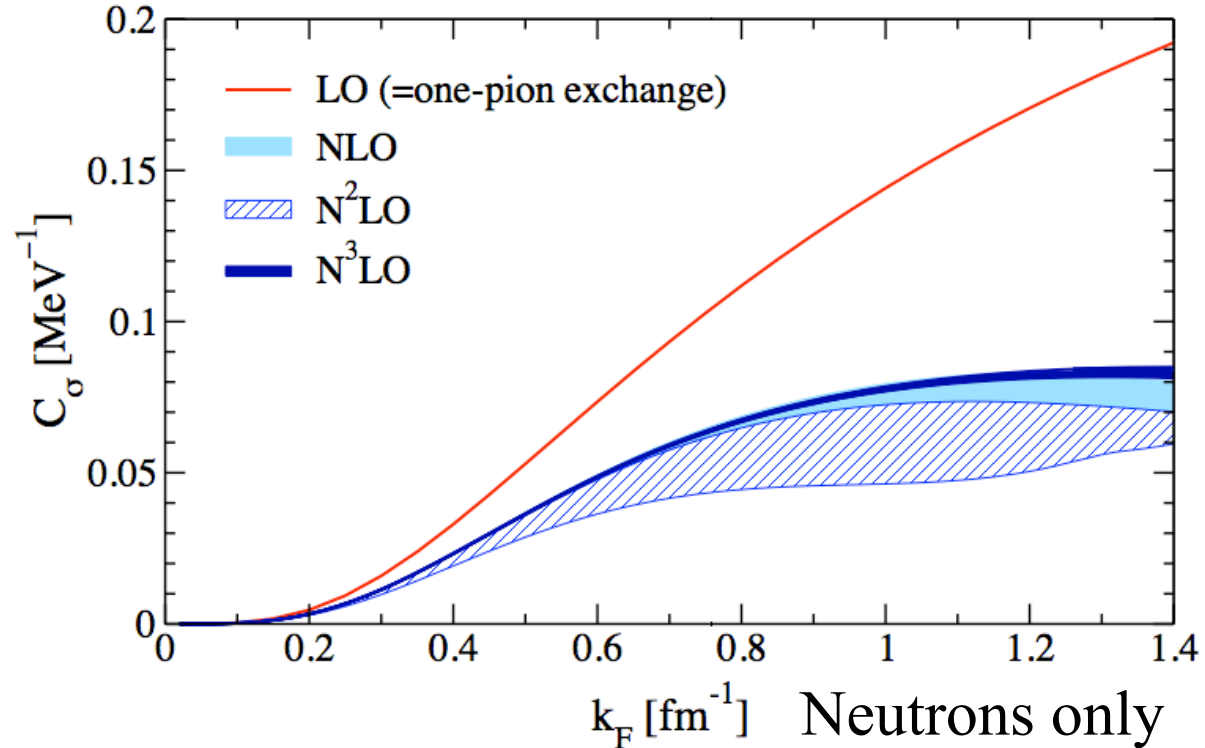
$NN \leftrightarrow NN\nu\bar{\nu}$ key for muon and tau neutrino production in supernovae
(and neutron stars crust and core cooling)

determined by spin relaxation time = rate of change of nucleon spin
through collisions

first neutrino rates
based on chiral EFT,
degenerate conditions

[Bacca et al. \(2009\)](#)

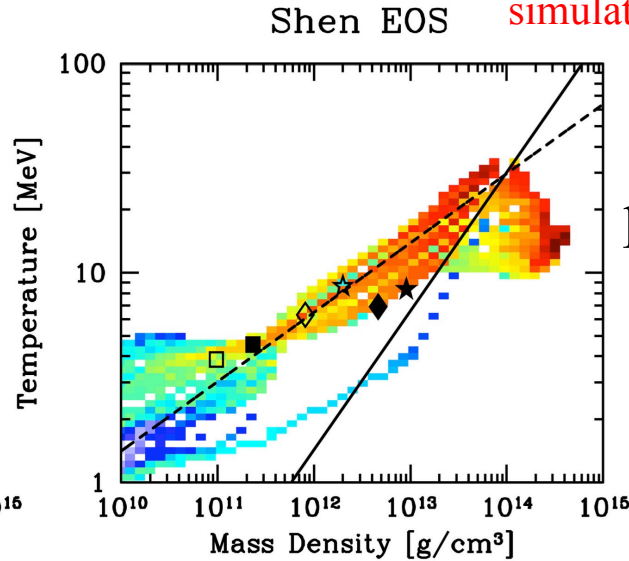
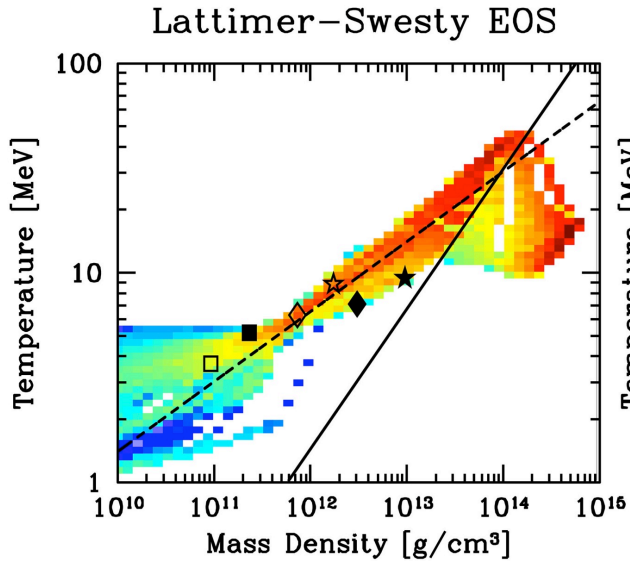
shorter-range interactions
reduce rates for neutrons



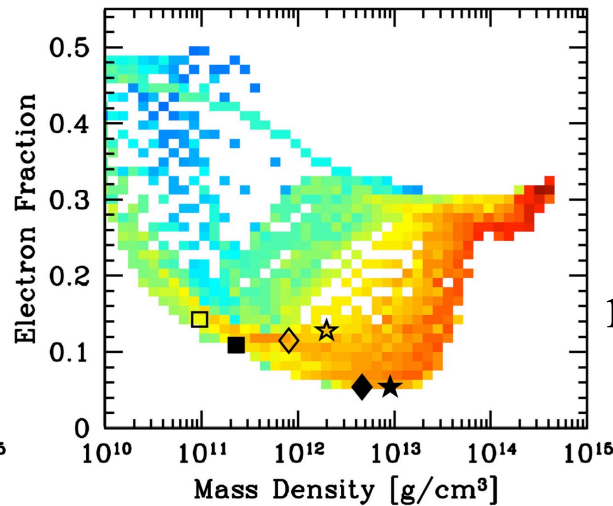
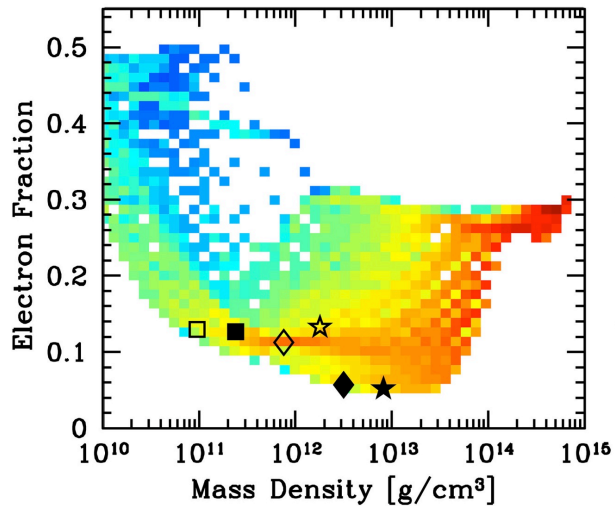
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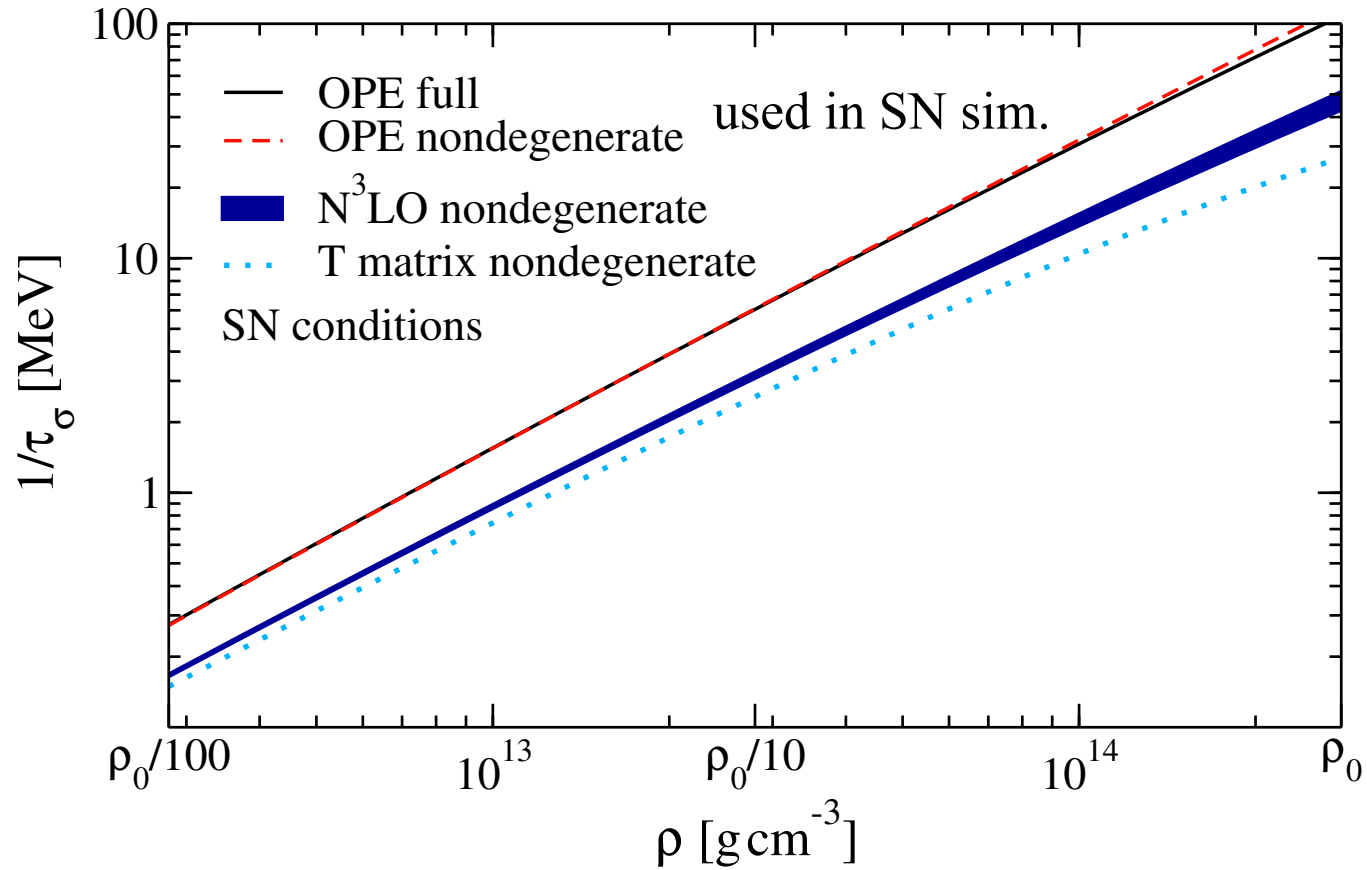


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neutrons only, arbitrary degeneracy



similar reduction along SN conditions

Energy transfer in neutrino scattering from nucleons

mean-square neutrino energy transfer in $\nu nn \leftrightarrow \nu nn$

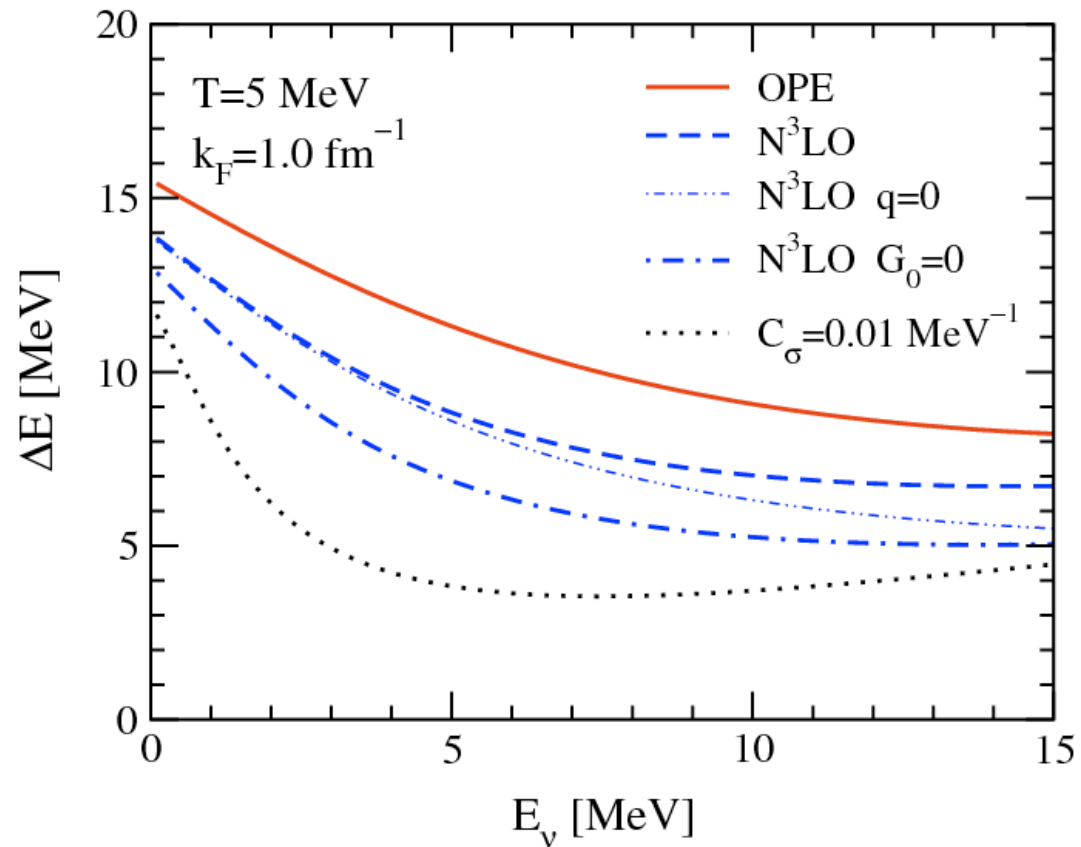
$$(\Delta E)^2 = \frac{\int d\mathbf{p}'_\nu (E_\nu - E'_\nu)^2 \Gamma(E_\nu - E'_\nu, p_\nu - p'_\nu)}{\int d\mathbf{p}'_\nu \Gamma(E_\nu - E'_\nu, p_\nu - p'_\nu)}$$

leads to heating,

NN analogue of inelastic
excitations of nuclei
(but post-collapse)

energy transfer significant,
dominates over recoil effects

not included in simulations

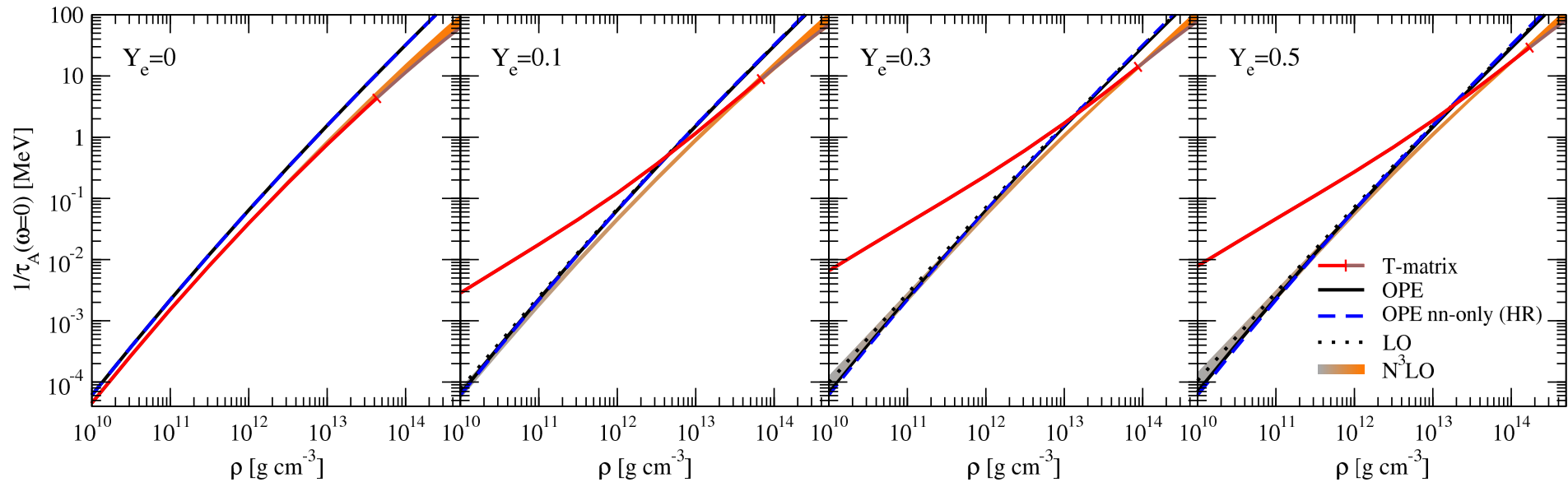


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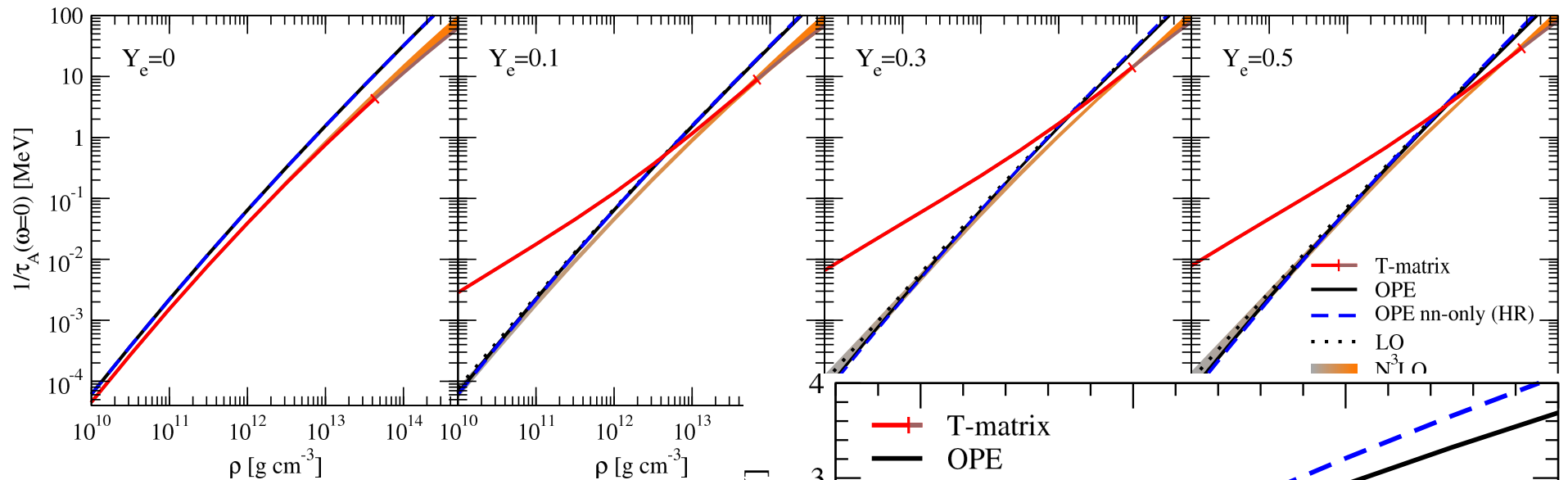


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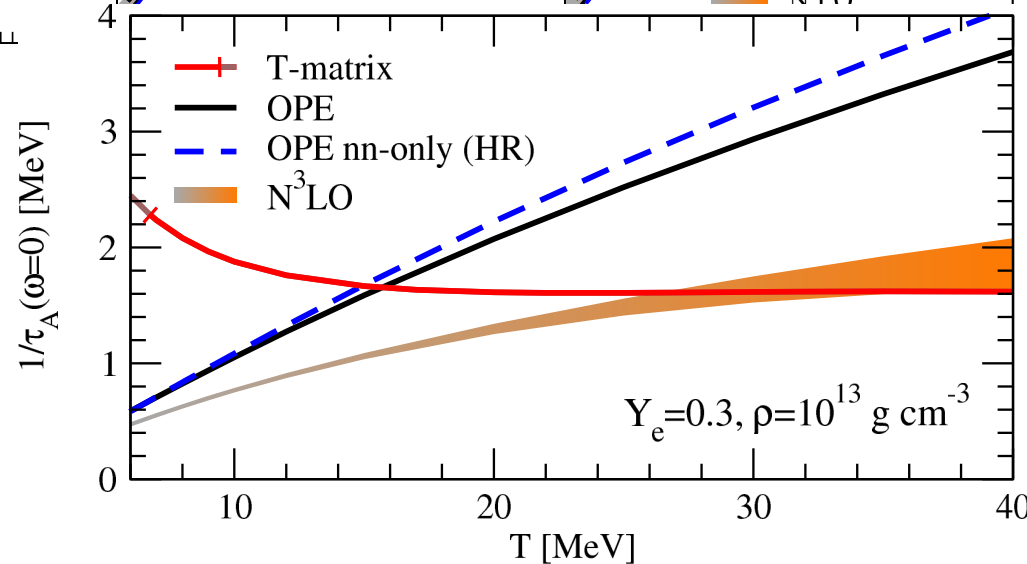
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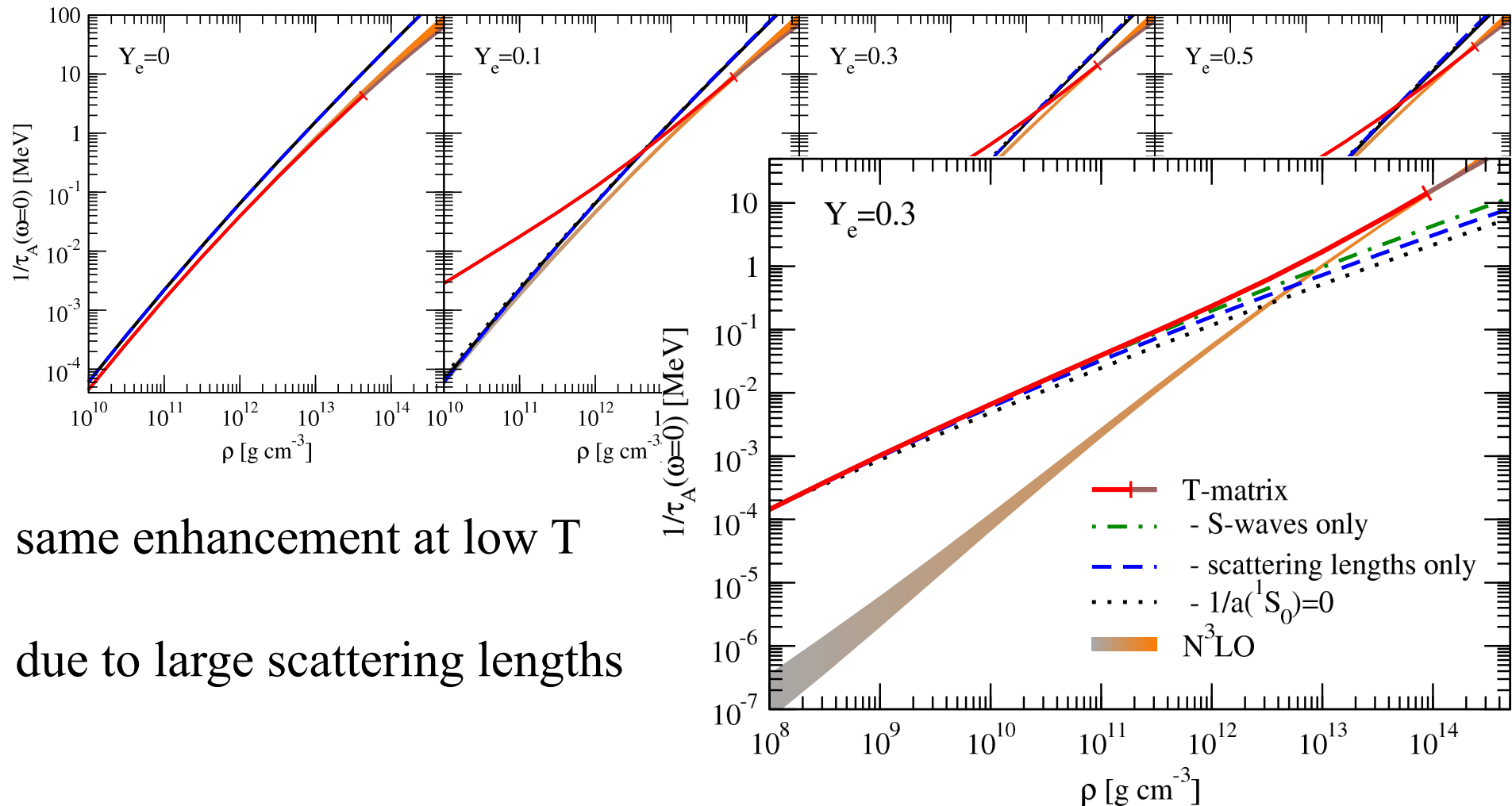


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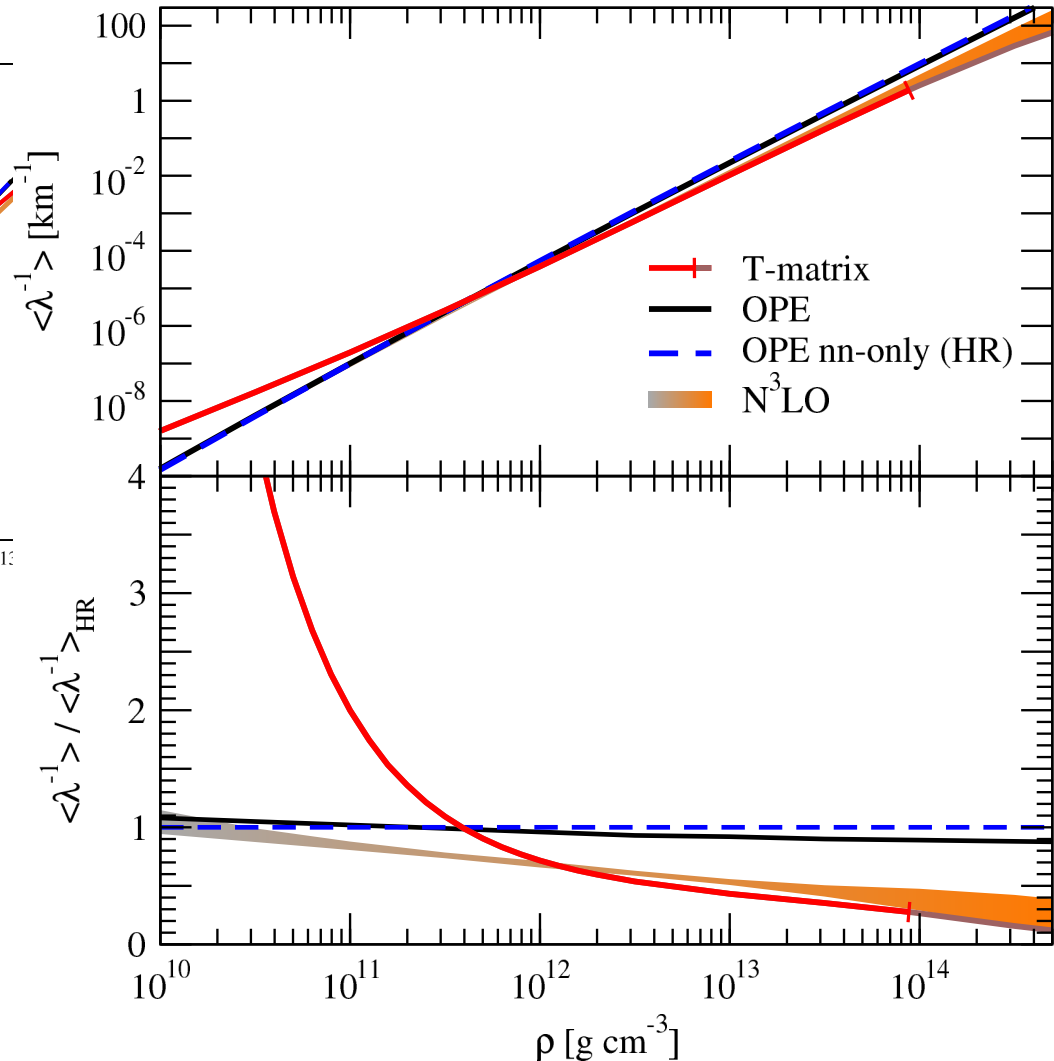
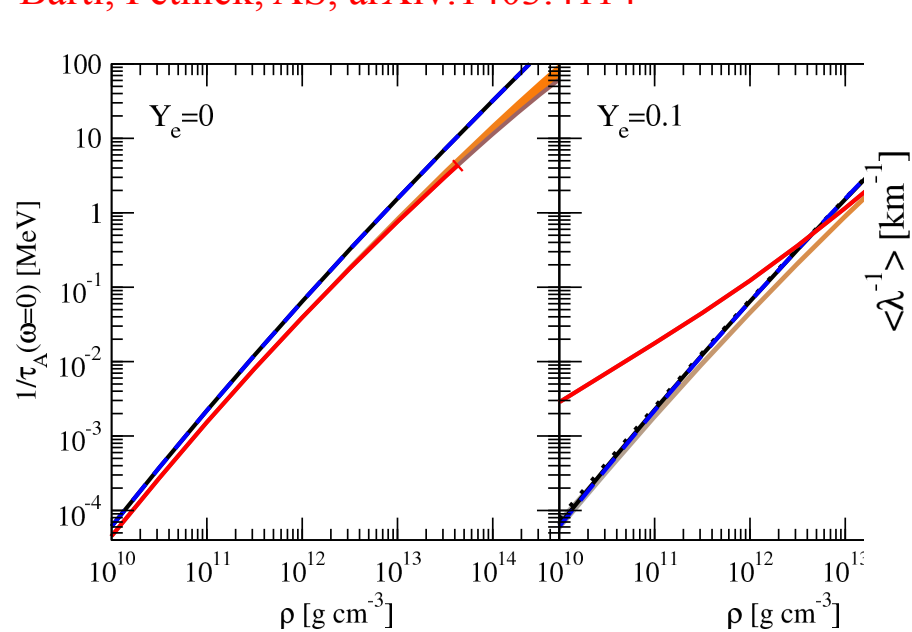
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smaller enhancement of
inverse mf paths

Main points

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General EOS band based on nuclear physics and observations
neutron star radius 9.7-13.9 km for $M=1.4 M_{\text{sun}}$ ($\pm 15\%$)

Chiral EFT important for consistent neutrino-matter interactions

Enhancement of neutrino bremsstrahlung at low densities

Main work with: A. Bartl, K. Hebeler, J. Lattimer, C. Pethick