



QCD Matter in Neutron Star Environments



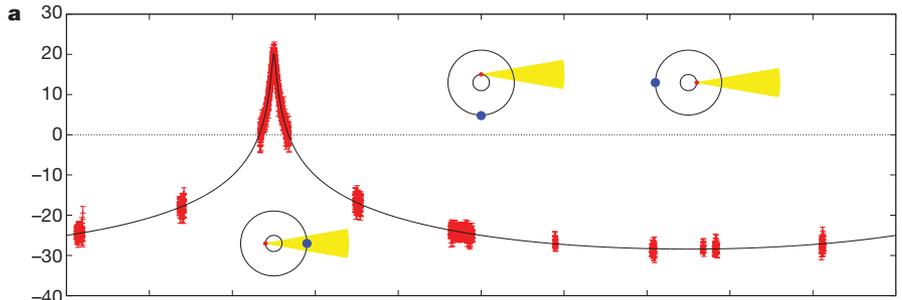
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Neutron Star (NS) Constraint(s)

Neutron Star Constraint

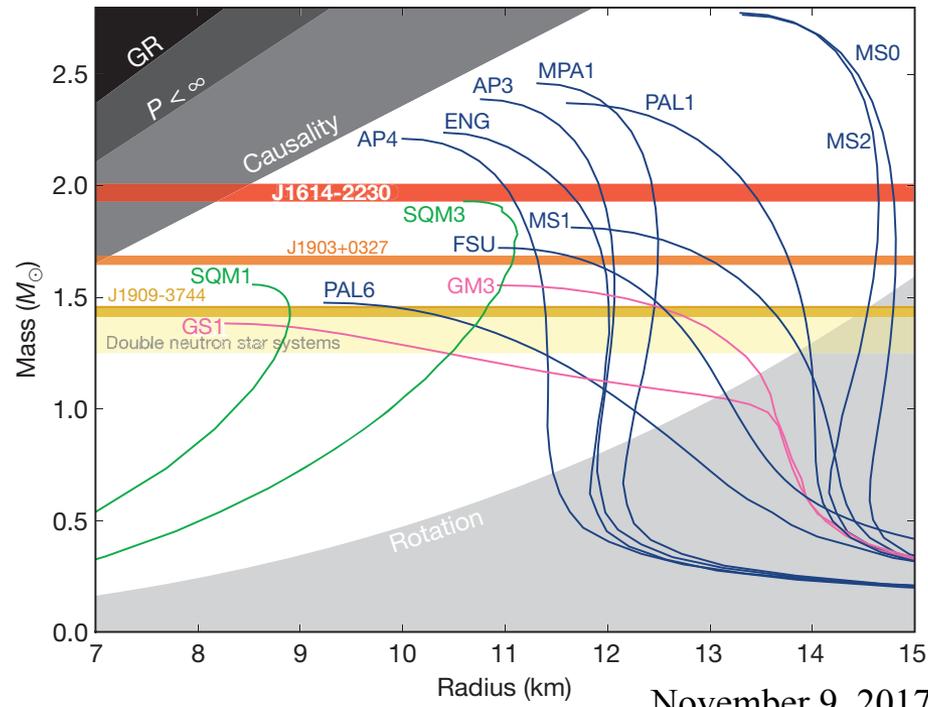


Demorest et al. (2010)

Precise determination of NS mass using Shapiro delay

1.928(17) M_{sun} (J1614-2230)

(slightly changed in 2016)



Antoniadis et al. (2013)

2.01(4) M_{sun} (PSRJ0348+0432)

Neutron Star Constraint

Neutron stars are composed of the densest form of matter known to exist in our Universe, the composition and properties of which are still theoretically uncertain. Measurements of the masses or radii of these objects can strongly constrain the neutron star matter equation of state and rule out theoretical models of their composition^{1,2}. The observed range of neutron star masses, however, has hitherto been too narrow to rule out many predictions of ‘exotic’ non-nucleonic components³⁻⁶. The Shapiro delay is a general-relativistic increase in light travel time through the curved space-time near a massive body⁷. For highly inclined (nearly edge-on) binary millisecond radio pulsar systems, this effect allows us to infer the masses of both the neutron star and its binary companion to high precision^{8,9}. Here we present radio timing observations of the binary millisecond pulsar J1614-2230^{10,11} that show a strong Shapiro delay signature. We calculate the pulsar mass to be $(1.97 \pm 0.04)M_{\odot}$, which rules out almost all currently proposed²⁻⁵ hyperon or boson condensate equations of state (M_{\odot} , solar mass). Quark matter can support a star this massive only if the quarks are strongly interacting and are therefore not ‘free’ quarks¹².

Neutron Star Constraint



Equation of State (**unknown**)

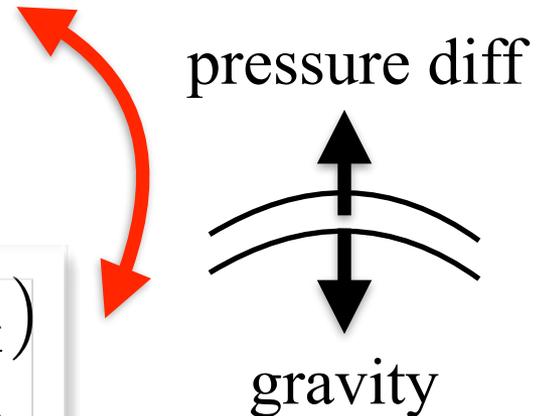
Pressure : p

Mass density : ρ

(Energy density : $\varepsilon = \rho c^2$)

$$p = p(\rho)$$

Tolman-Oppenheimer-Volkoff (TOV) Eqs



M - R Relation (**observed**)

NS mass : M

NS radius : R

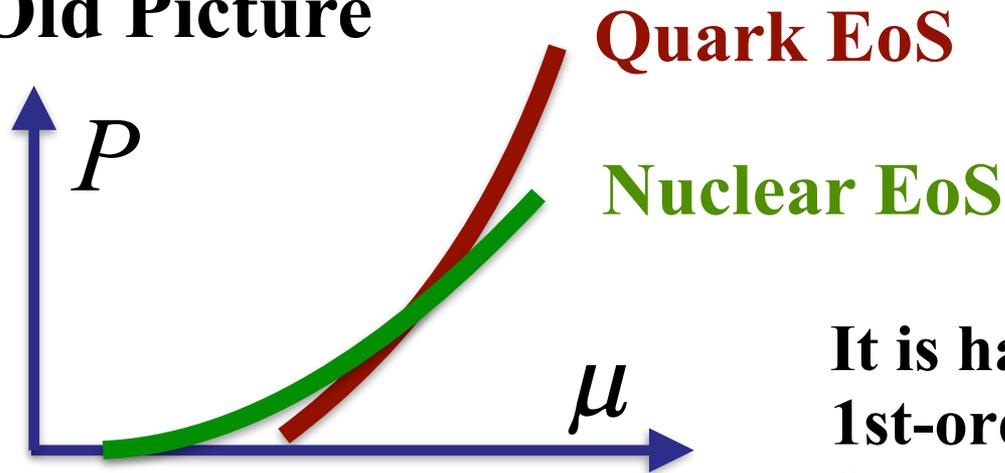
$$M = M(\rho_{\max})$$

$$R = R(\rho_{\max})$$

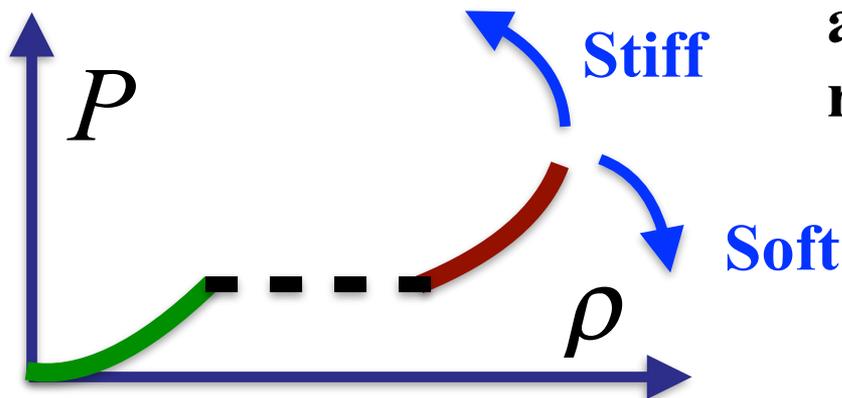
Mathematically one-to-one correspondence

Neutron Star Constraint

Old Picture



It is hard to see if there is a 1st-order transition or not from the M - R relation, but a flat behavior can be reconstructed mathematically

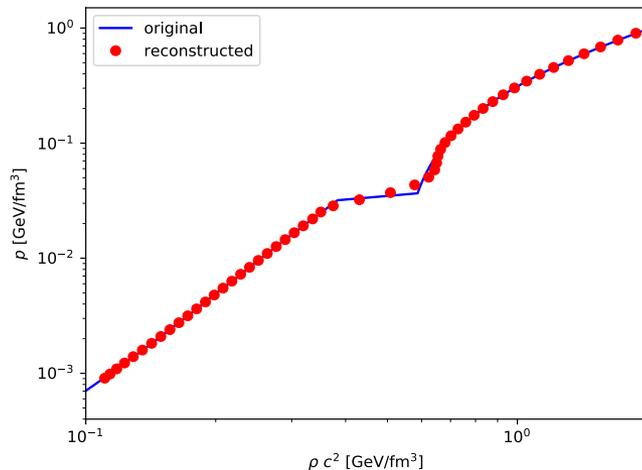


Neutron Star Constraint



Lindblom (1992)

Some simple test cases : useful for a 1st-order transition?

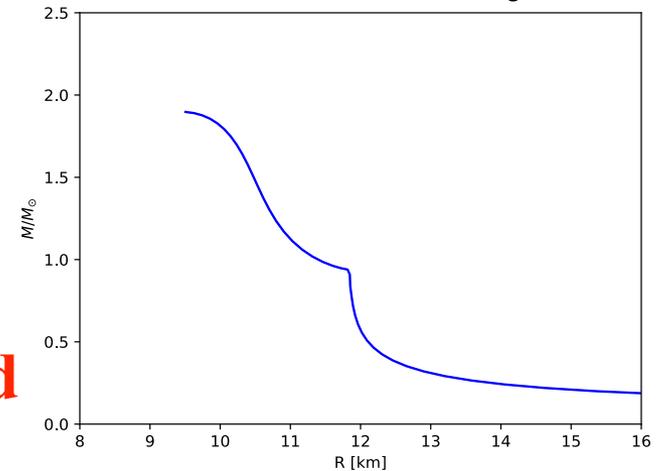


Solve TOV



Reconstructed

Thanks to Y. Fujimoto



Test data set by hand

Yes, it is useful, *in principle*

Neutron Star Constraint



IF there is a 1st-order phase transition with large density gap (i.e. **strong 1st-order) at small densities,**

EoS cannot be stiff enough to support massive NS

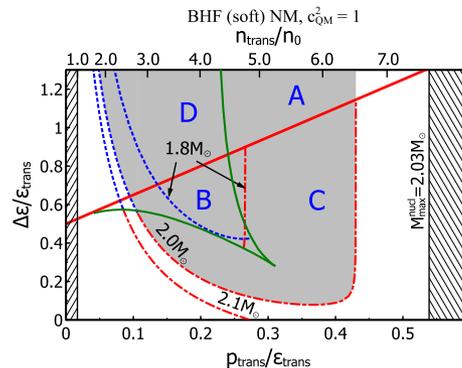
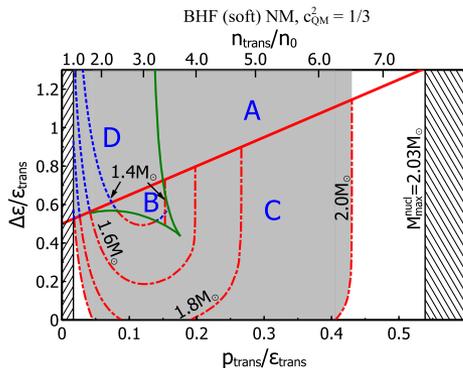
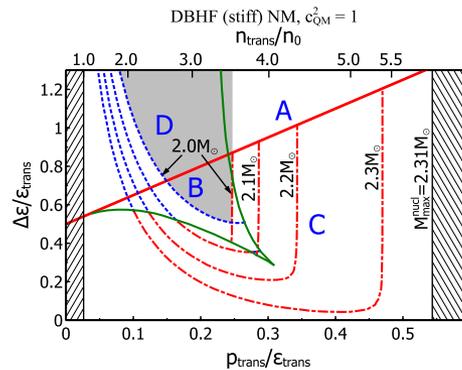
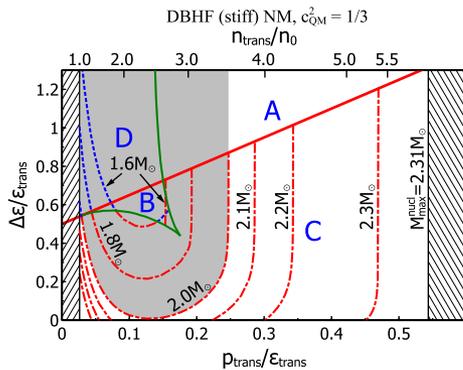
Remember: the slope is bounded by causality, and cannot exceed the speed of light.

Strong 1st-order transition excluded, which means...

Neutron Star Constraint

Alford et al. (2015) $\varepsilon(p) = \begin{cases} \varepsilon_{\text{NM}}(p) & p < p_{\text{trans}} \\ \varepsilon_{\text{NM}}(p_{\text{trans}}) + \Delta\varepsilon + c_{\text{QM}}^{-2}(p - p_{\text{trans}}) & p > p_{\text{trans}} \end{cases}$

Parameters (choices) : Nuclear EoS, c_{QM} , $\Delta\varepsilon$, p_{trans}



Okay if...

- QM only at very high density
- 1st trans. at very high density
- 1st trans. very weak
- NM EoS very stiff
- etc, etc

Looks generic, but
a bit misleading to say...

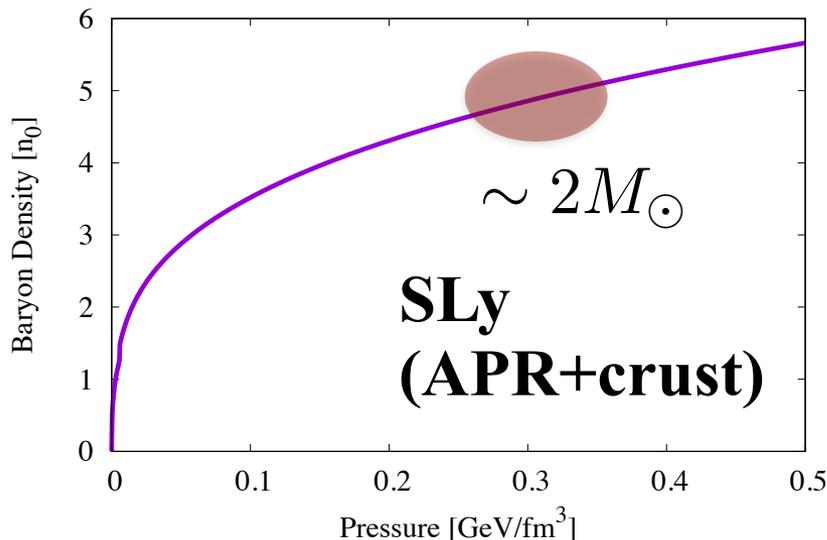
Neutron Star Constraint

Caveats

Based on the **old picture** of 1st-order transition to QM

Is there any reason to require 1st-order transition? **NO!**

Based on the extrapolation of NM EoS to high densities



Can it be extrapolatable?

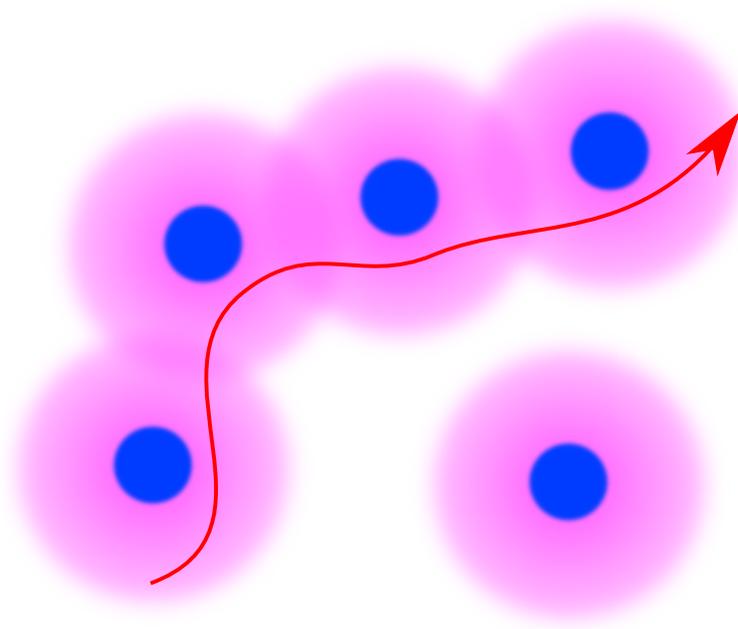
NO!

apart from an infamous
causality problem...

Neutron Star Constraint

IF nucleons are surrounded by interaction clouds of pions, such clouds undergo a classical percolation transition at

$1.4 n_0$



**Percolation transition
allows for mobility
enhancement of quarks?**

(Picture of H. Satz)

**Quantum fluctuations
(Anderson localization)
induce “confinement”
(quantum percolation)**

Neutron Star Constraint

One may think that the constraint may be strong for light NS

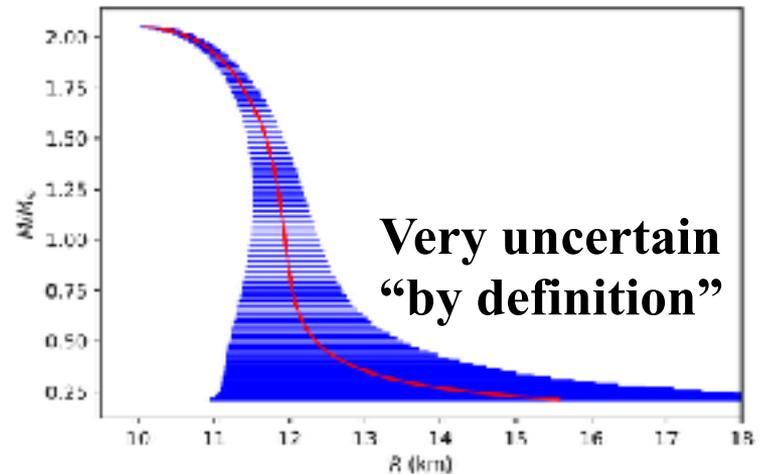
BUT...

R is fixed by TOV with $p(R)=0$ and interestingly...

$$dp/dr(r = R) = 0$$

$$d^2p/dr^2(r = R) \propto M^2/R^2$$

**If M is small or R is large,
uncertainty becomes huge.**



People do not care assuming that NS mass $> 1.2 M_{\text{sun}}$

Neutron Star Constraint

Here, NS-NS merger will not be discussed, but another constraint is already available:

Hinderer et al. (2009)

$$-\frac{(1 + g_{tt})}{2} = -\frac{m}{r} - \frac{3Q_{ij}}{2r^3} n^i n^j + \dots + \frac{\mathcal{E}_{ij}}{2} r^2 n^i n^j + \dots,$$

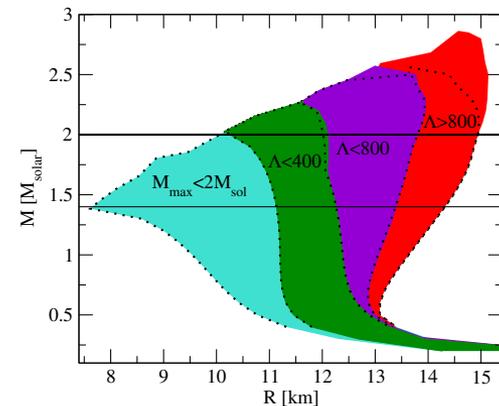
$$Q_{ij} = -\lambda \mathcal{E}_{ij}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\text{quadrupole moment}}{\text{external tidal field}} \quad (\sim \text{Love number})$$

Often divided by M^5 to make it dimensionless $\rightarrow \Lambda$

(tidal deformability) $\Lambda(1.4M_{\odot}) < 800$

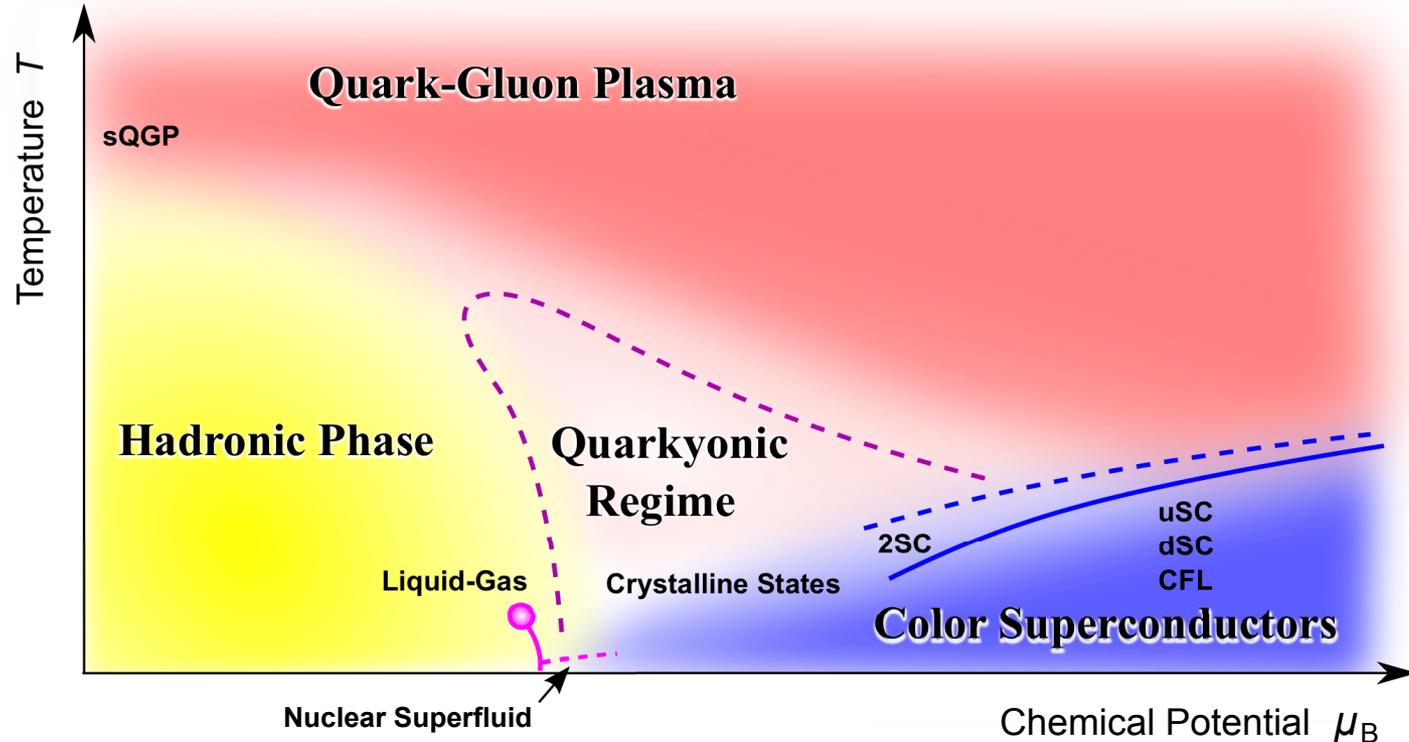
See: Annala-Gorda-Kurkela-Vuorinen (2017)



What is Known from Theory ?

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Fukushima-Sasaki (2013)



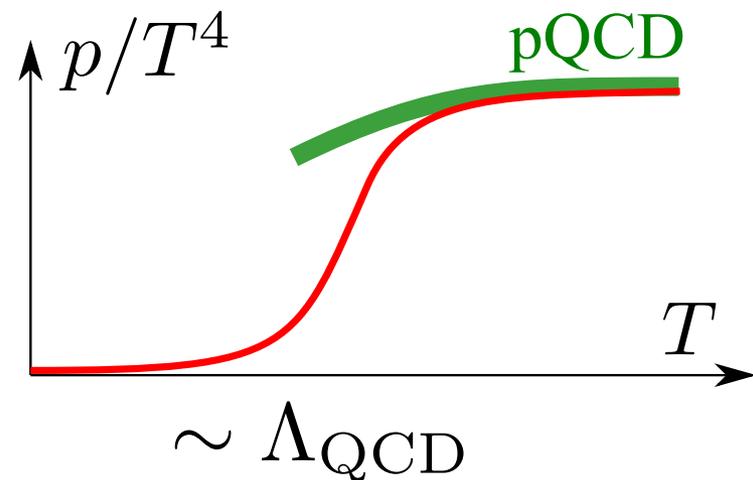
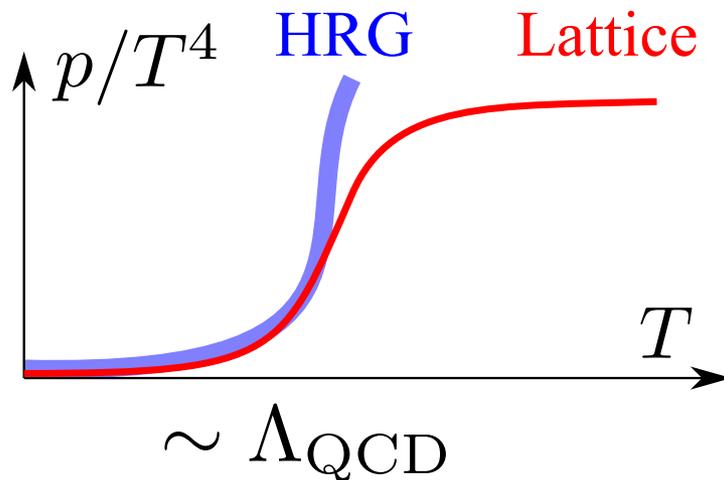
Almost nothing...

What is known from theory?

Most important lesson from high- T low- ρ QCD matter

QCD transition from hadronic to quark-gluon matter is a continuous crossover with an overlapping region (dual region) of hadrons and of quarks and gluons

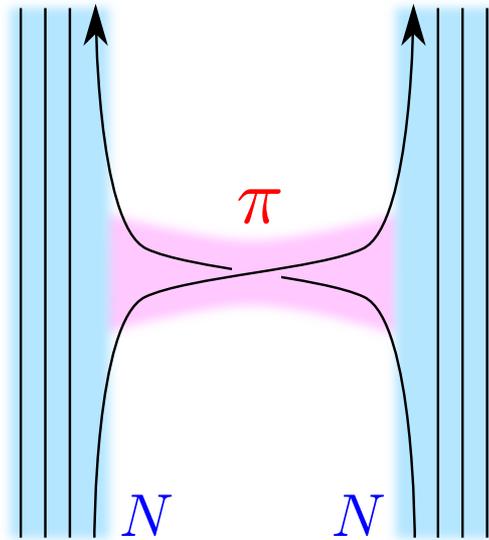
Quark Matter 2014 (Fukushima)



What is known from theory?

A hint to understand a crossover

Baryon int. at large N_c



$$\sim \mathcal{O}(N_c)$$

Pressure of large- N_c NM scales as $\sim \mathcal{O}(N_c)$ as if it were QM.

Quark d.o.f. perceived through interactions even in **baryonic matter**

Quarkyonic Matter

McLerran-Pisarski (2007) Hidaka, Kojo, etc...

NM and QM indistinguishable !?

What is known from theory?

Another hint to understand a crossover

Chiral symmetry more broken at higher density

$$\boxed{\text{Nuclear Matter}} \quad \langle \bar{q}q \rangle \neq 0 \quad \langle NN \rangle \neq 0$$

$$\boxed{\text{Quark Matter}} \quad \langle q_R q_R \rangle \neq 0 \quad \langle q_L q_L \rangle \neq 0$$

breaks $SU(N_f)_R$ breaks $SU(N_f)_L$

Vectorial rotation can be canceled by color rot.

$$SU(N_f)_R \times SU(N_f)_L \times U(1)_V \rightarrow SU(N_f)_V$$

Color superconducting QM has the same symmetry as NM

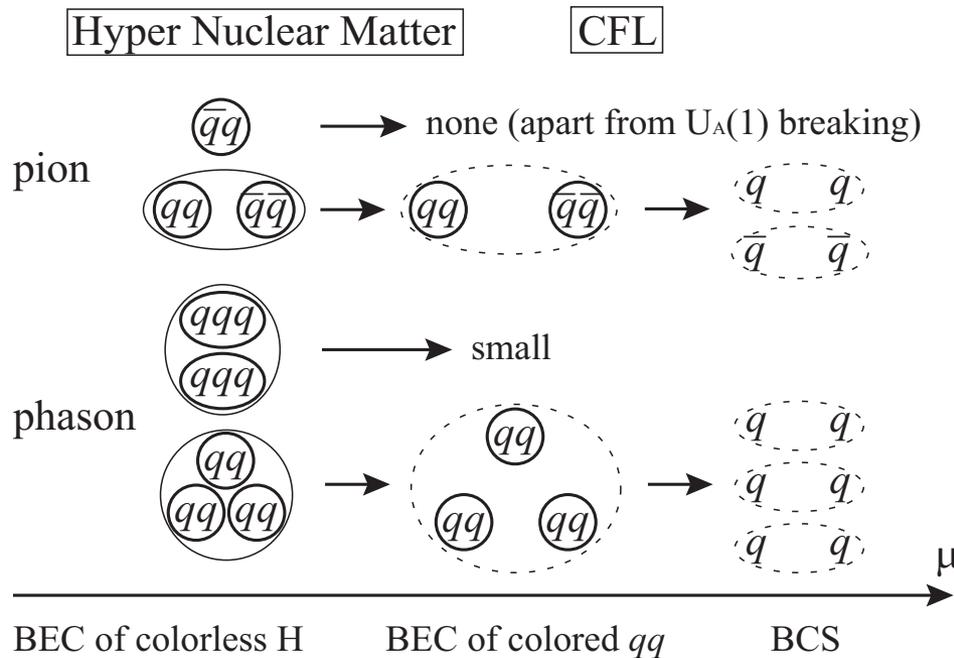
NM and QM indistinguishable indeed

Schaefer-Wilczek (1998)

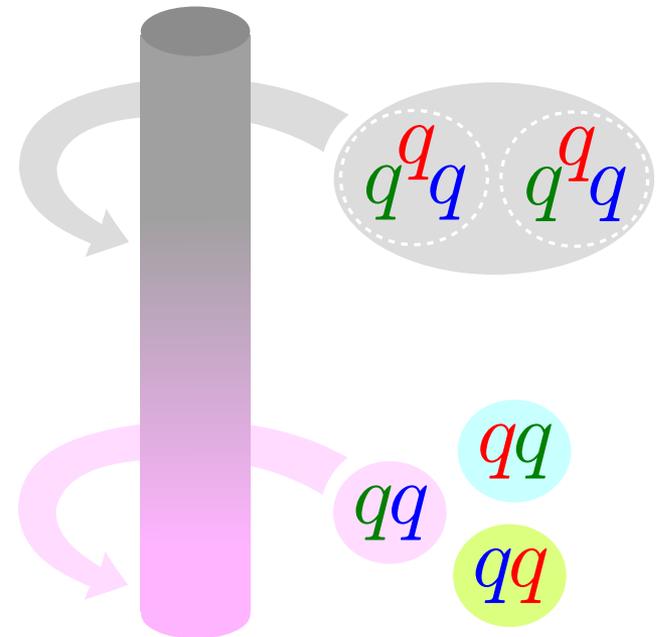
What is known from theory?

All excitations must be continuously connected...

Fukushima (2003)



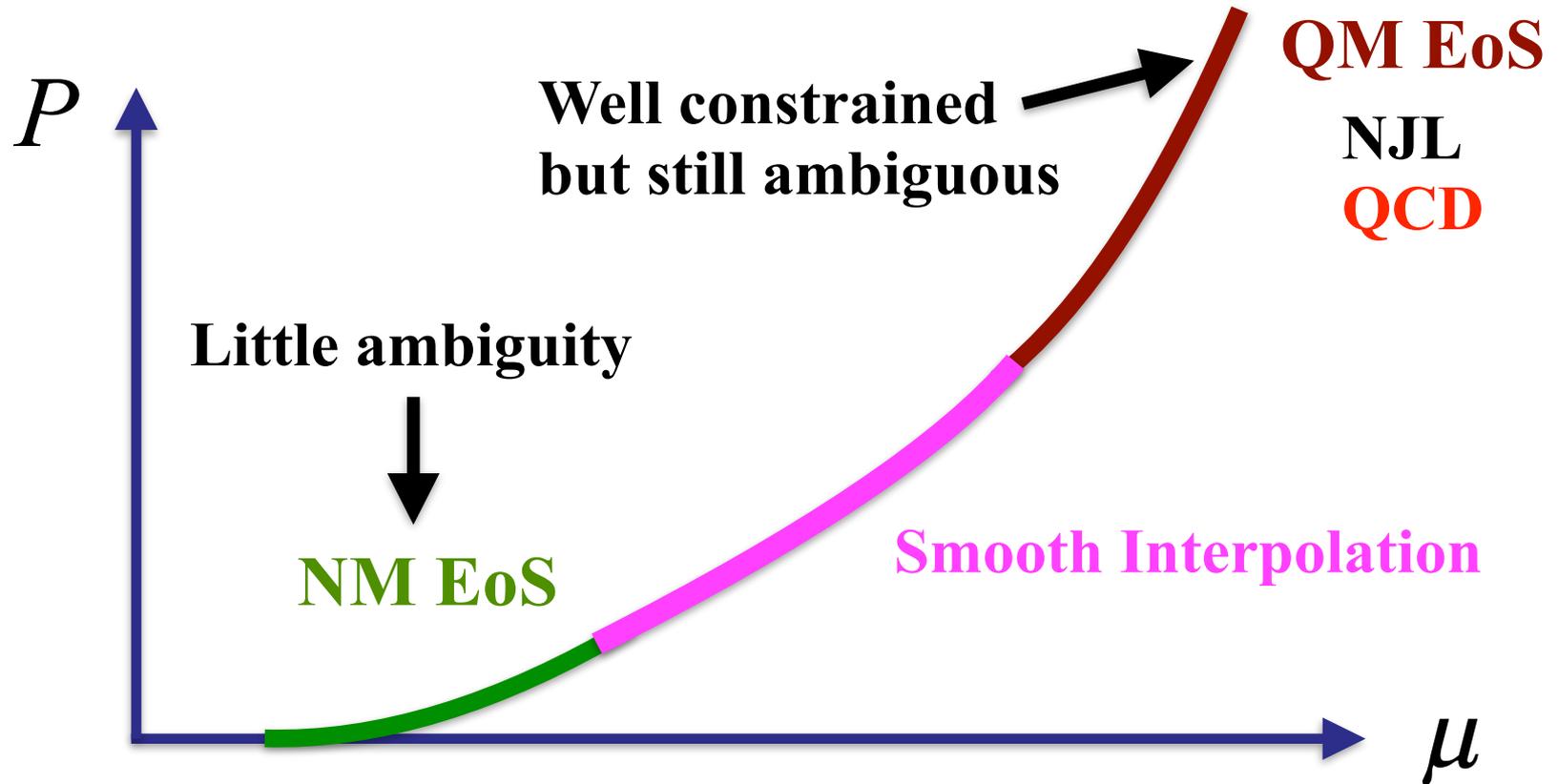
Alford-Baym-Fukushima-Hatsuda-Tachibana (2017)



What is known from theory?

(So far best) Bottom-up Approach

Masuda, Hatsuda, Takatsuka, Kojo, Baym, ...



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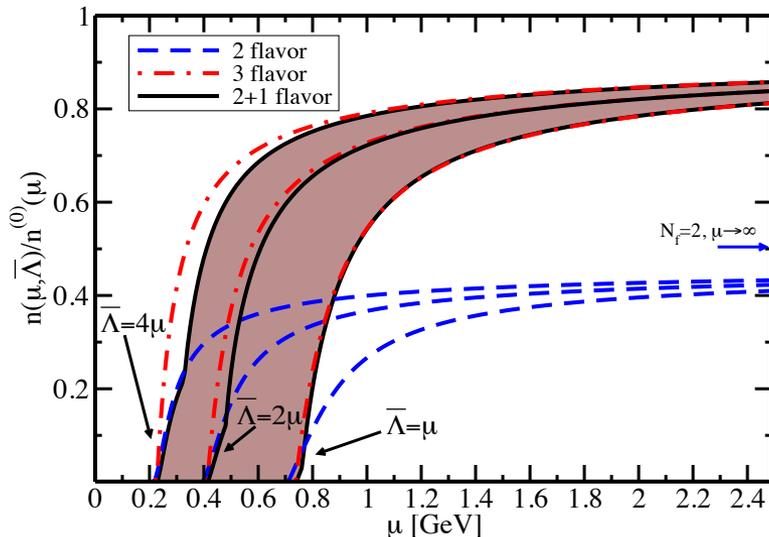
You may wonder if pQCD works at high density?

Freedman-McLerran (1977)

Baluni (1978)

$$\sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$$

Kurkela-Romatschke-Vuorinen (2009) $\sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) + m_s$



Convergence seems to be good
(as compared to high- T)

This is not resummed perturbation
but very naive expansion

From Experiment to EoS

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Bayesian Analysis

B : M - R Observation

A : EoS Parameters

(Bayes' theorem) Normalization

$$\underline{P(A|B)} \cancel{P(B)} = \frac{P(B|A)}{\text{Likelihood}} \underline{P(A)}_{\text{prior}}$$

Want to know

Likelihood

prior

Calculable by TOV

Model

Model must be assumed.

EoS parametrization must be introduced.

Integration in parameter space must be defined.

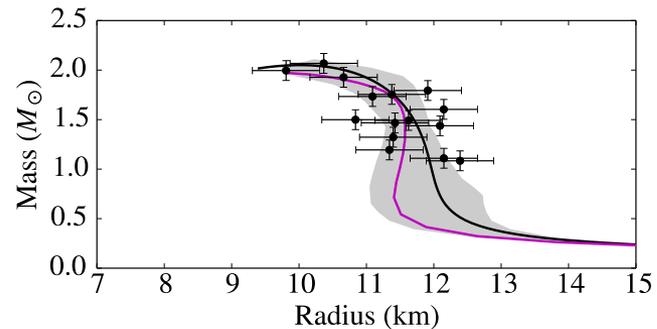
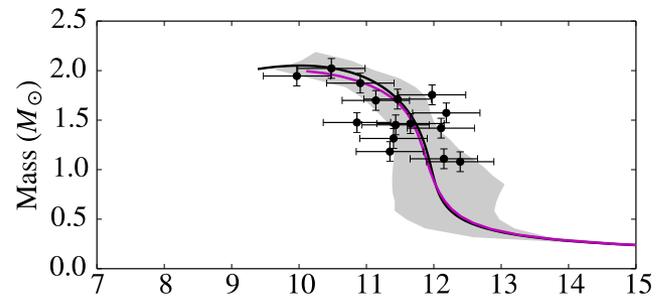
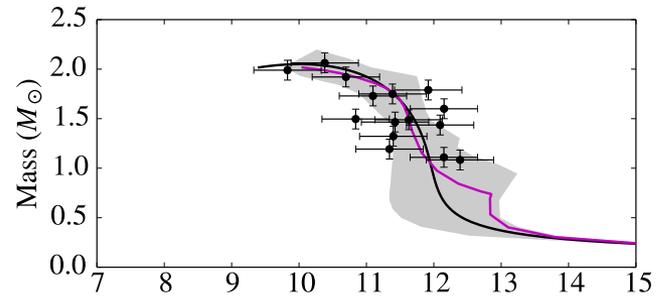
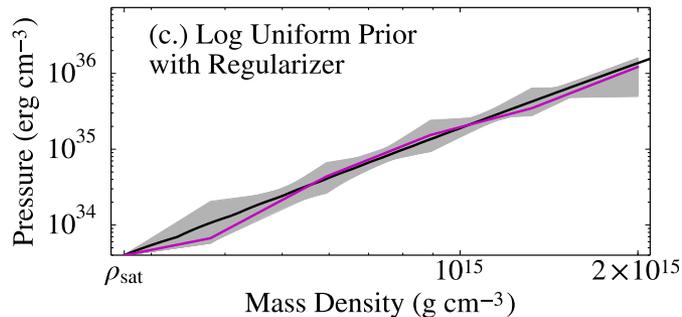
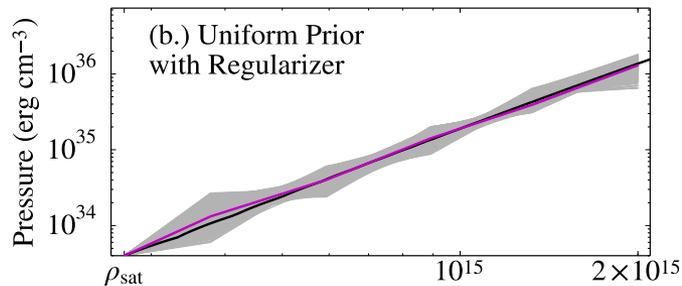
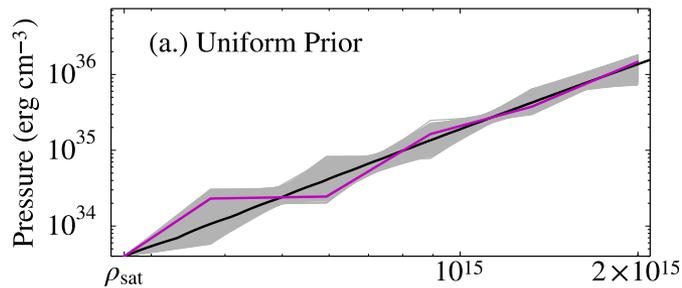
From Experiment to EoS



Raithel-Ozel-Psaltis (2017)

Mock data (SLy + Noises)

**Prior
Dep.**



From Experiment to EoS

What we want to have *ideally* is...



$$\{M_i, R_i\} \quad \{P_i\} = F(\{M_i, R_i\}) \quad \{P_i\}$$

Generate many random EoSs $\{P\}$ and solve TOV to have $\{M, R\}$
Assume an Ansatz for F with sufficiently many fitting parameters
Tune parameters to fit $\{EoS, MR\}$ correspondance
Test the validity of F with independent $\{EoS, MR\}$ data

From Experiment to EoS

This process is precisely how we develop our intuition!

**If we see many (input \rightarrow output) data,
we will eventually have good intuition
to guess input by looking at output**



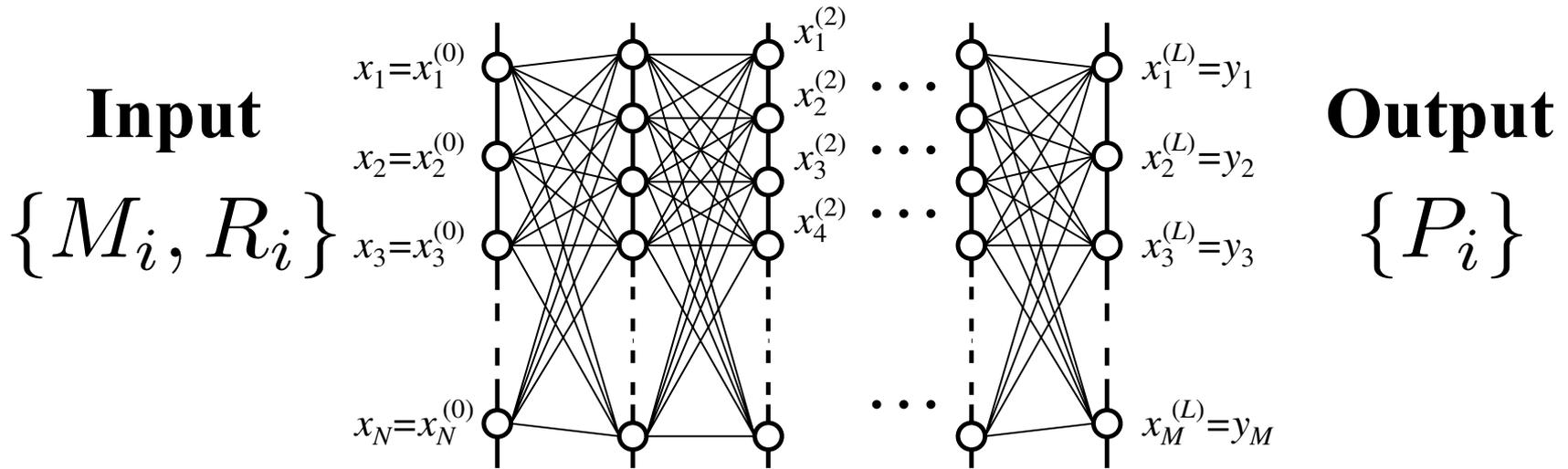
(Supervised) Learning = Parameter Tuning

What should be the Ansatz for the fitting function?

Simple “activation” functions are layered (like our brains)

In principle, any non-linear mapping can be represented

From Experiment to EoS



$$x_i^{(k+1)} = \sigma^{(k+1)} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_k} \underline{W_{ij}^{(k+1)}} x_j^{(k)} + \underline{a_i^{(k+1)}} \right)$$

Parameters to be tuned

Backpropagation

sigmoid func.	ReLU	tanh
$\sigma(x) = 1/(e^x + 1)$	$\sigma(x) = \max\{0, x\}$	$\sigma(x) = \tanh(x)$

From Experiment to EoS

For good learning, the “textbook” choice is important...

Training data (200000 sets in total)

Randomly generate **5** sound velocities \rightarrow EoS \times 2000 sets

Solve TOV to identify the corresponding M - R curve

Randomly pick up **15** observation points \times ($n_s = 100$) sets
(with $\Delta M = 0.1M_\odot$, $\Delta R = 0.5$ km)

(The machine learns the M - R data have error fluctuations)

Validation data (200 sets)

Generate independently of the training data

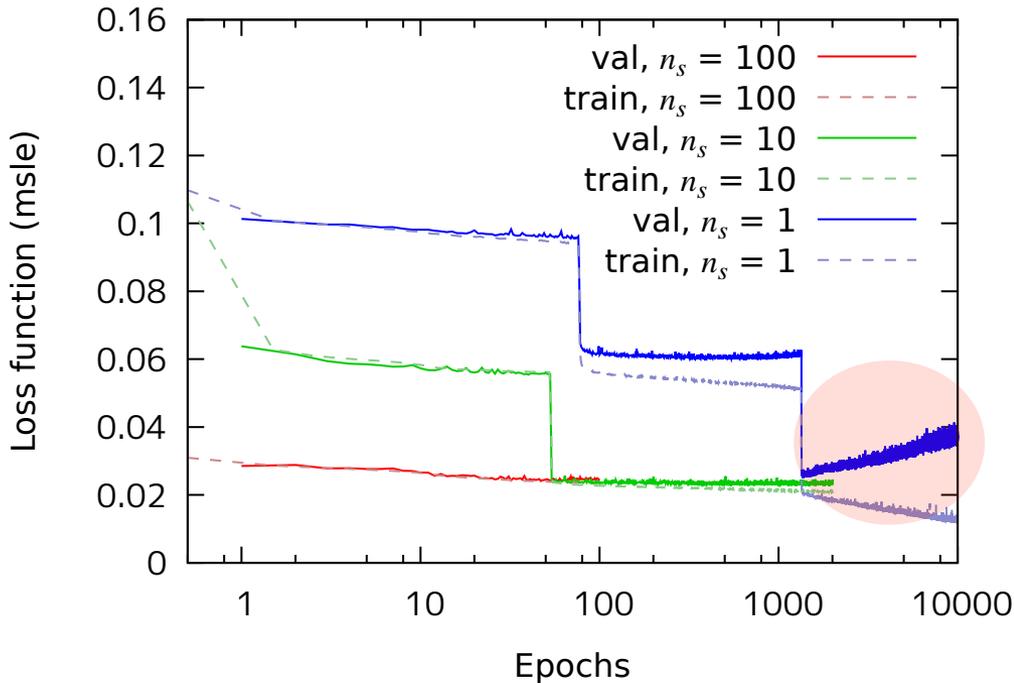
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Our Neural Network Design

Layer index	Nodes	Activation
1	30	N/A
2	60	ReLU
3	40	ReLU
4	40	ReLU
5	5	tanh

Probably we don't need such many hidden layers and such many nodes... anyway, this is one working example...

From Experiment to EoS



“Loss Function”
= deviation from the
true answers

Monotonically decrease
for the training data, but
not necessarily so for
the validation data

With fluctuations in the training data, the learning is quick!

**Once the overlearning occurs,
the performance gets worse!**

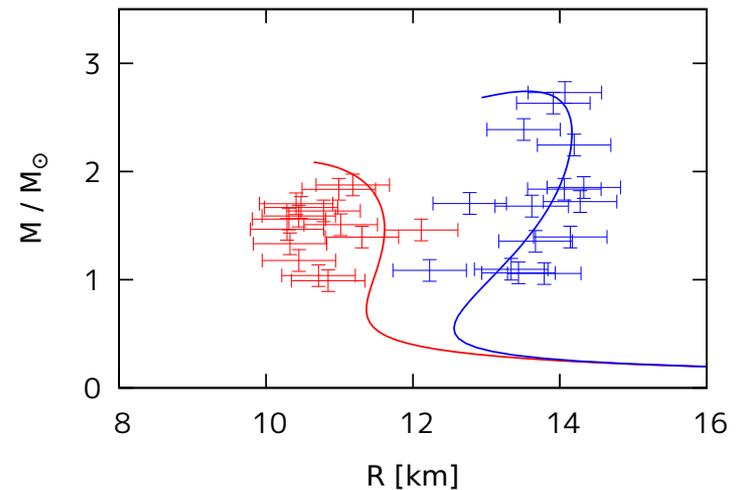
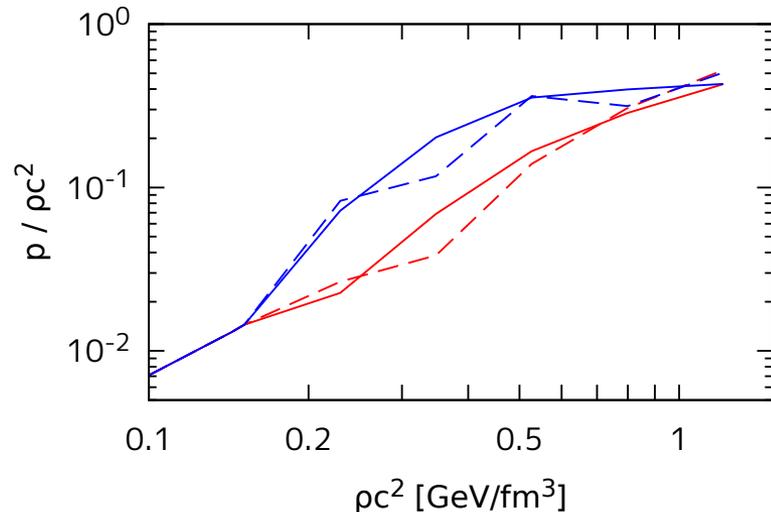


From Experiment to EoS

Test with the validation data

Fujimoto-Fukushima-Murase (2017)

(parameters not optimized to fit the validation data)



Dashed lines : randomly generated original data

Solid lines : reconstructed EoS and associated M - R rel.

From Experiment to EoS



Overall performance test

Mass (M_{\odot})	Raw RMS (km)	Filtered RMS (km)
0.8	0.90	0.15
1.0	0.90	0.21
1.2	0.90	0.23
1.4	0.91	0.25
1.6	1.06	0.25
1.8	1.10	0.27

Sometimes, due to random unphysical EoS, the reconstruction completely fails ← very easy to exclude from the analysis

Excluding such abnormal data ($\sim 15\%$), the agreement is remarkable (remember, input data involve $\Delta R=0.5\text{km}$)

Summary



■ Neutron Star Constraint

- Mass constraint
- Radius — symmetry energy, tidal deformability

■ Theoretical Approach

- Smooth interpolation (no phase transition)
- Perturbative QCD calculations need more upgrade

■ Experimental Data Analysis

- Bayesian analysis (hidden assumptions)
- Machine (deep) learning; easy and practical
How to estimate confidential levels?