



# *QCD Matter in Neutron Star Environments*



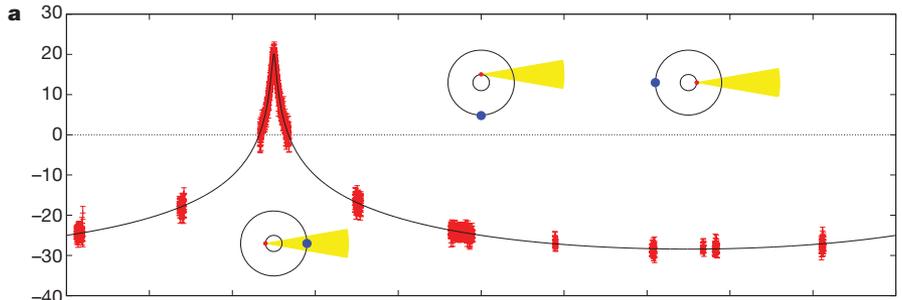
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# Neutron Star Constraint

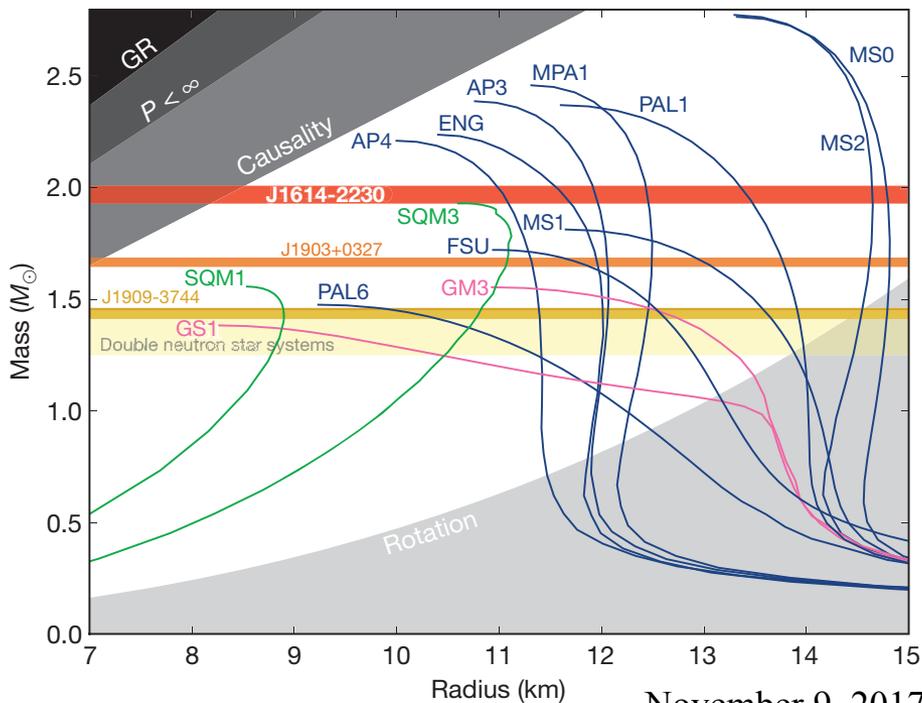


**Demorest et al. (2010)**

Precise determination of  
NS mass using Shapiro delay

**1.928(17)  $M_{\text{sun}}$  (J1614-2230)**

(slightly changed in 2016)



**Antoniadis et al. (2013)**

**2.01(4)  $M_{\text{sun}}$  (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<sup>1,2</sup>. The observed range of neutron star masses, however, has hitherto been too narrow to rule out many predictions of ‘exotic’ non-nucleonic components<sup>3-6</sup>. The Shapiro delay is a general-relativistic increase in light travel time through the curved space-time near a massive body<sup>7</sup>. 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<sup>8,9</sup>. Here we present radio timing observations of the binary millisecond pulsar J1614-2230<sup>10,11</sup> 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 proposed<sup>2-5</sup> 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’ quarks<sup>12</sup>.

# Neutron Star Constraint



## Equation of State (**unknown**)

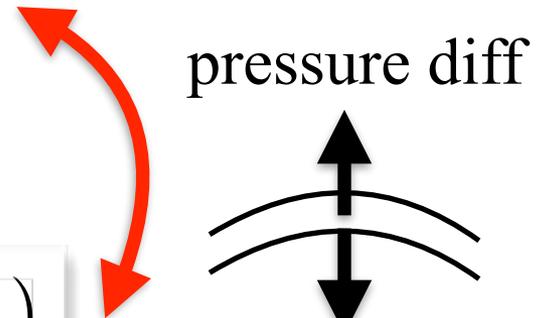
Pressure :  $p$

Mass density :  $\rho$

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

$$p = p(\rho)$$

**Tolman-Oppenheimer-Volkoff (TOV) Eqs**



## $M$ - $R$ Relation (**observed**)

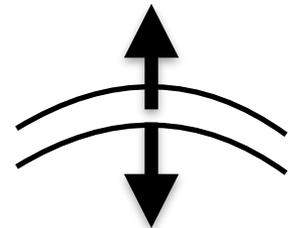
NS mass :  $M$

NS radius :  $R$

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

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

pressure diff

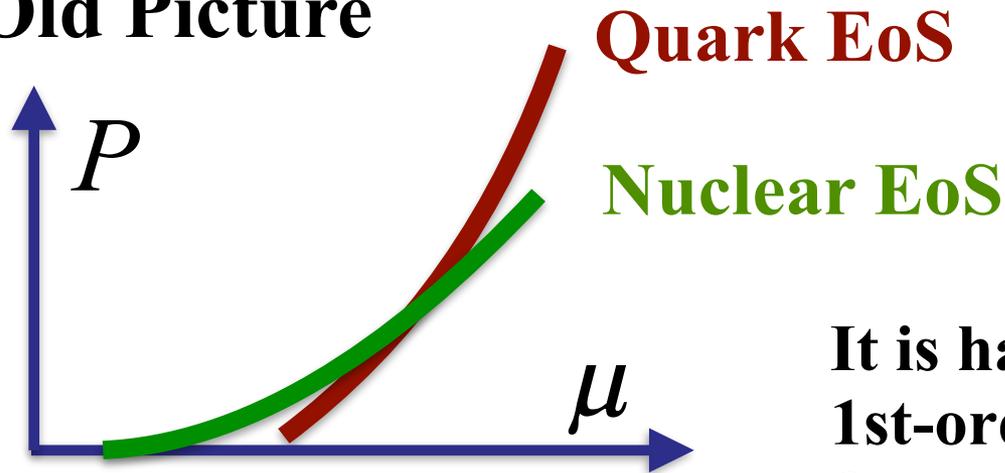


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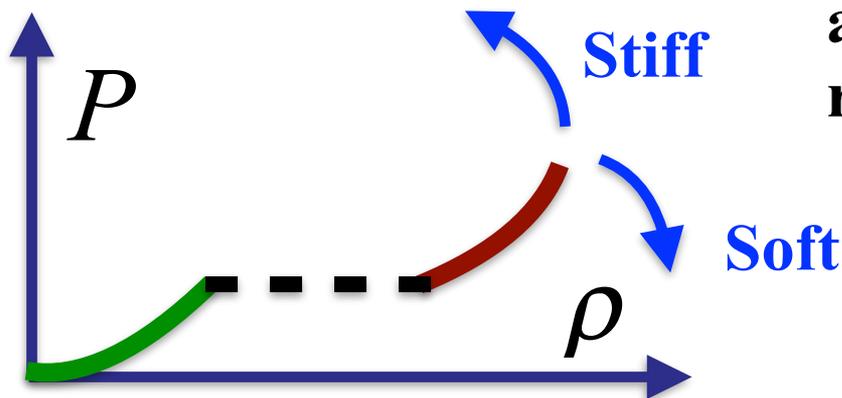
**Mathematically one-to-one correspondence**

# 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

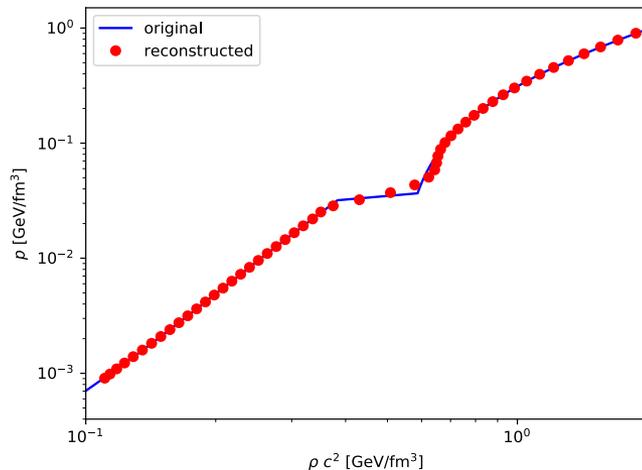


# Neutron Star Constraint



Lindblom (1992)

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

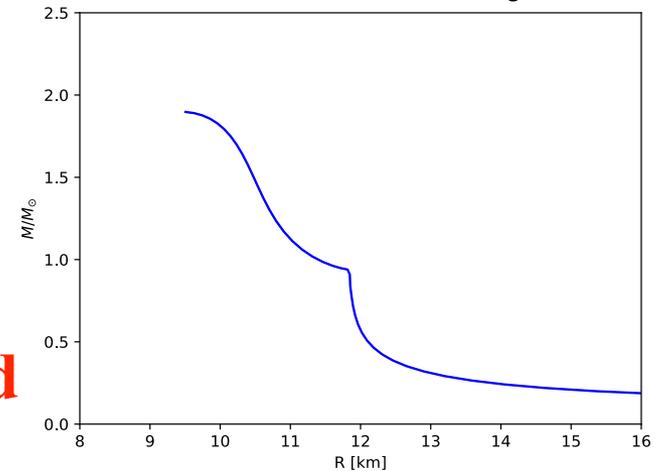


Solve TOV



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**

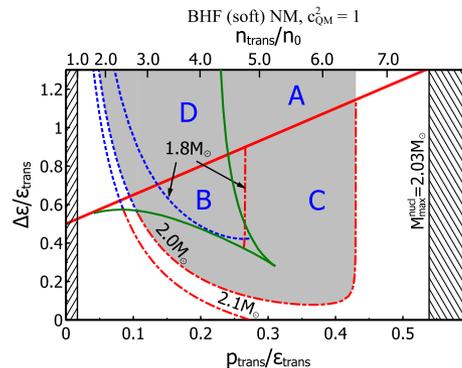
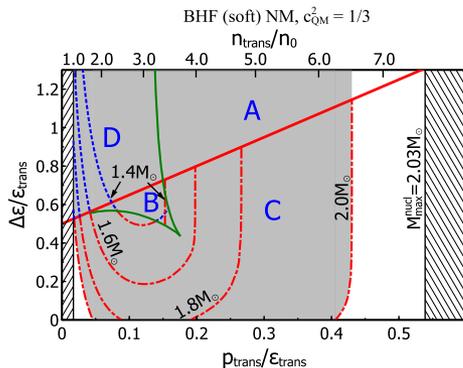
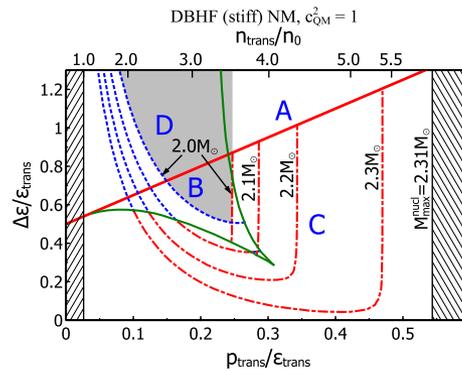
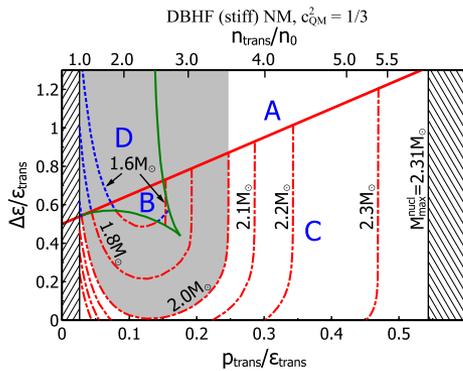
**Remember: the slope is bounded by causality, and cannot exceed the speed of light.**

**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,  $c_{\text{QM}}$ ,  $\Delta\varepsilon$ ,  $p_{\text{trans}}$



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...

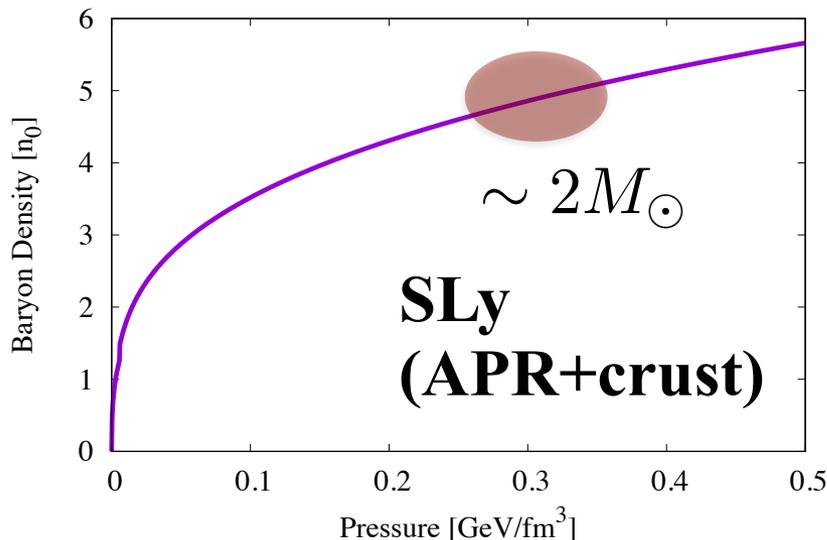
# Neutron Star Constraint

## 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?

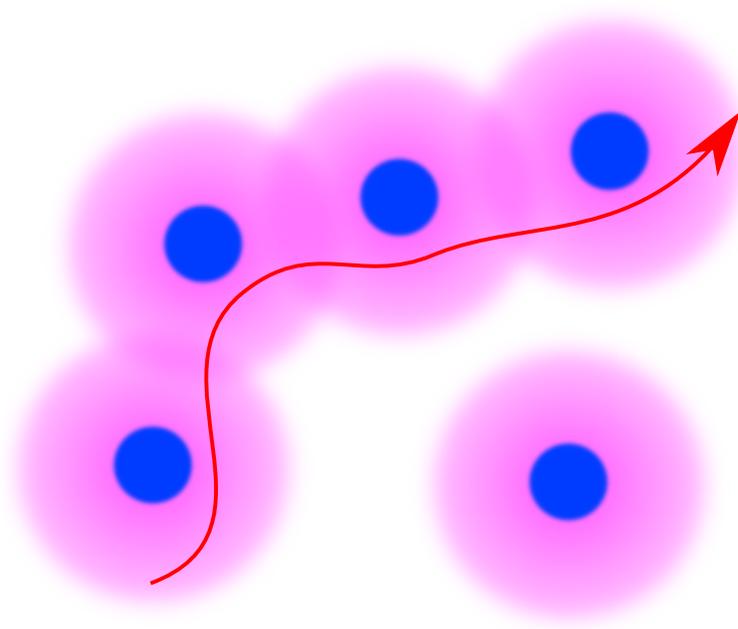
**NO!**

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

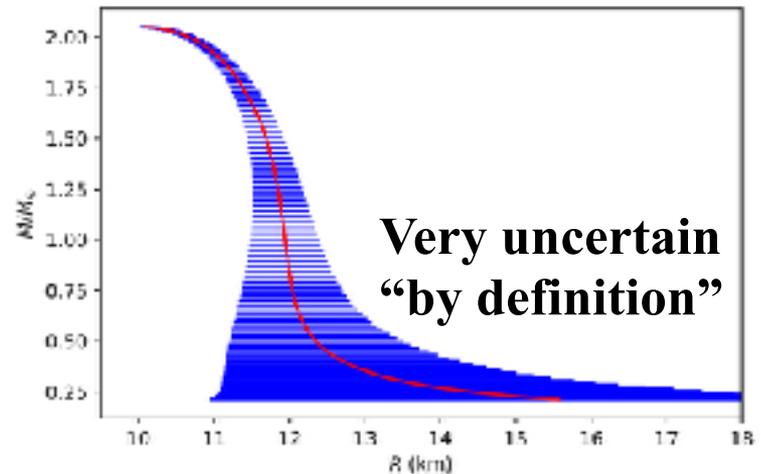
**BUT...**

**$R$  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)

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

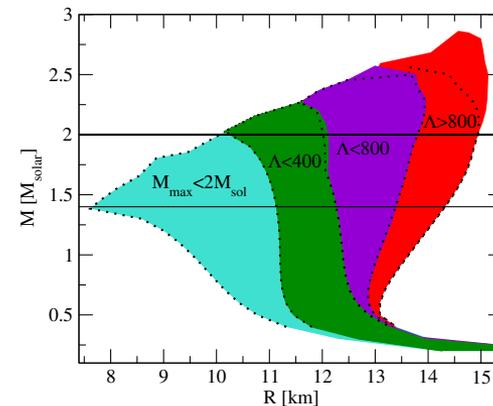
$$Q_{ij} = -\lambda \mathcal{E}_{ij}$$

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

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

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

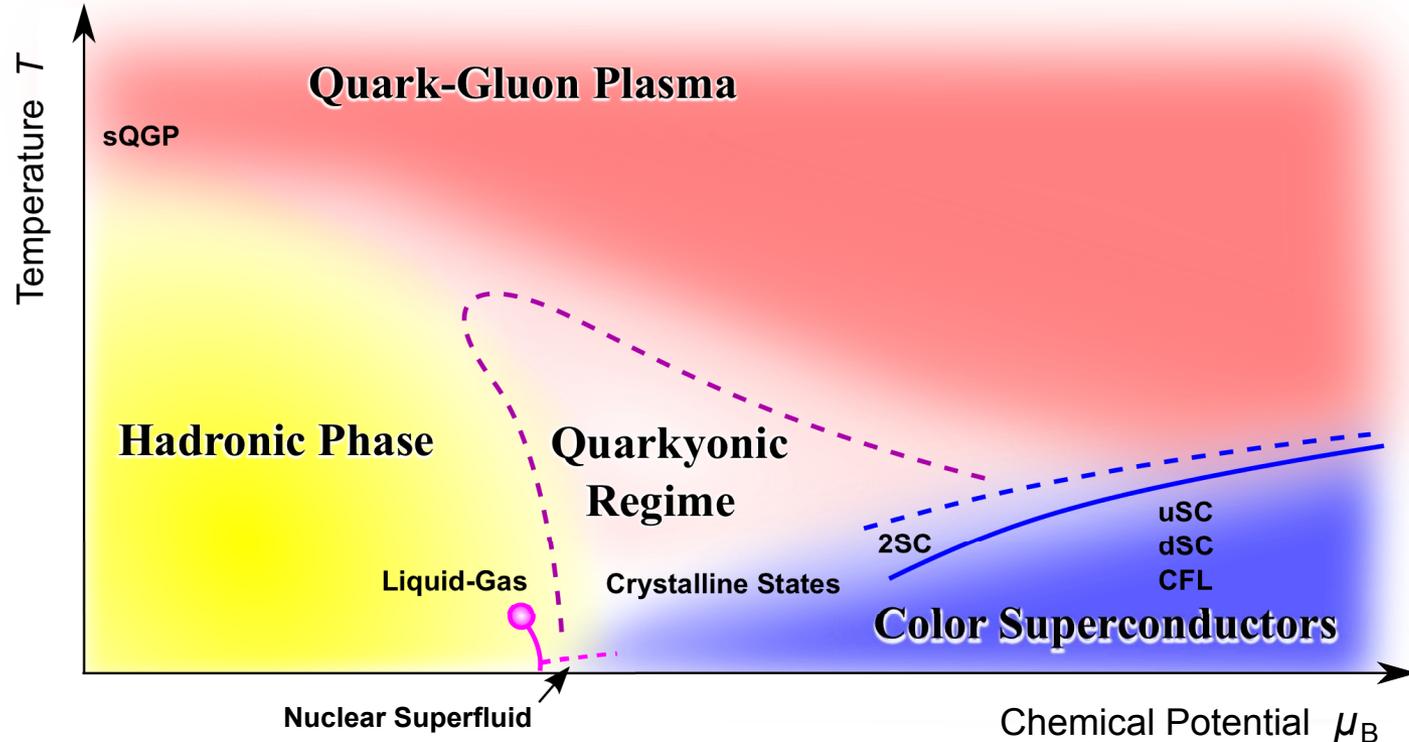
See: Annala-Gorda-Kurkela-Vuorinen (2017)



**What is Known from Theory ?**

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Fukushima-Sasaki (2013)



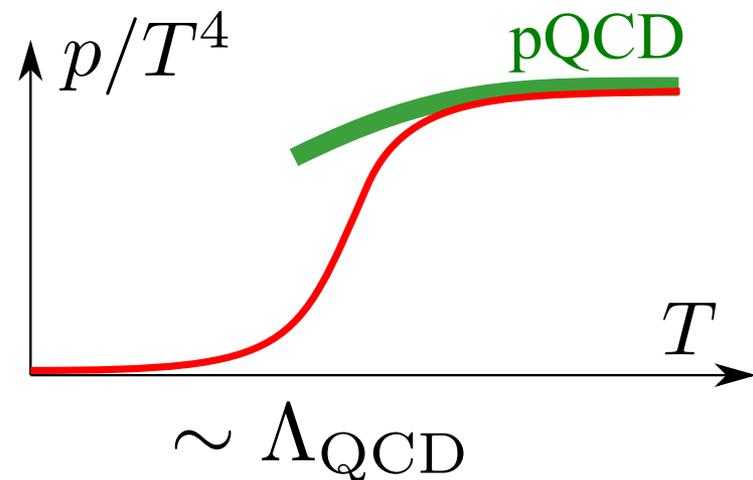
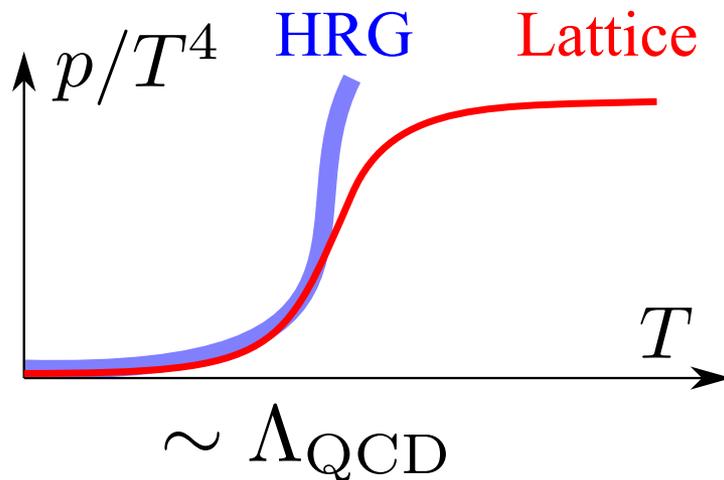
**Almost nothing...**

# What is known from theory?

Most important lesson from high- $T$  low- $\rho$  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

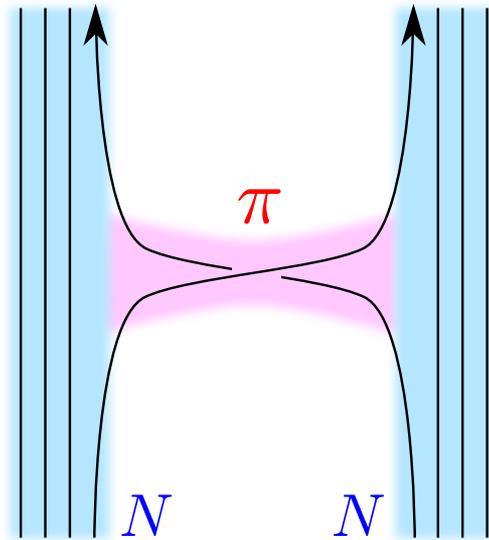
Quark Matter 2014 (Fukushima)



# 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**

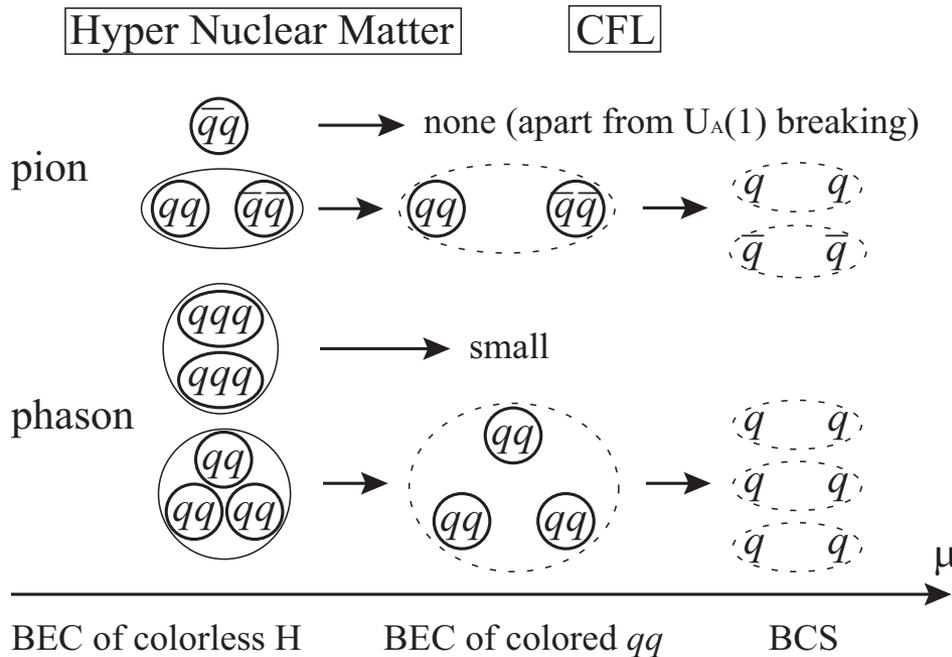
**NM and QM indistinguishable indeed**

Schaefer-Wilczek (1998)

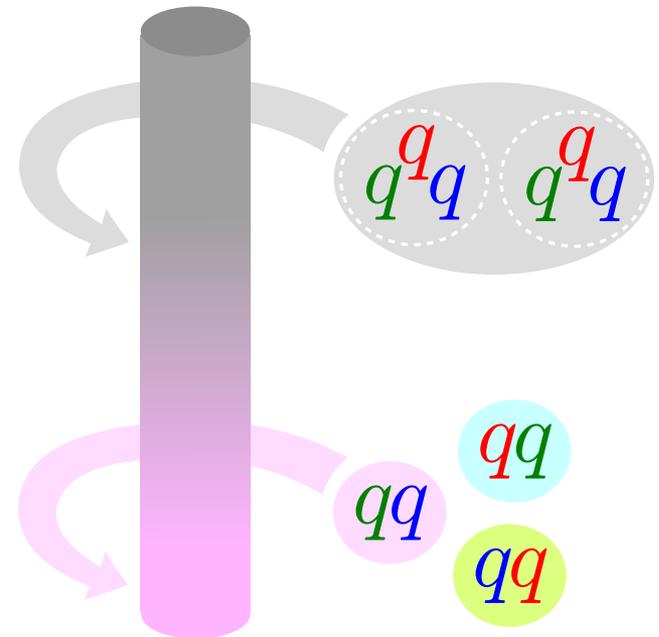
# What is known from theory?

All excitations must be continuously connected...

Fukushima (2003)



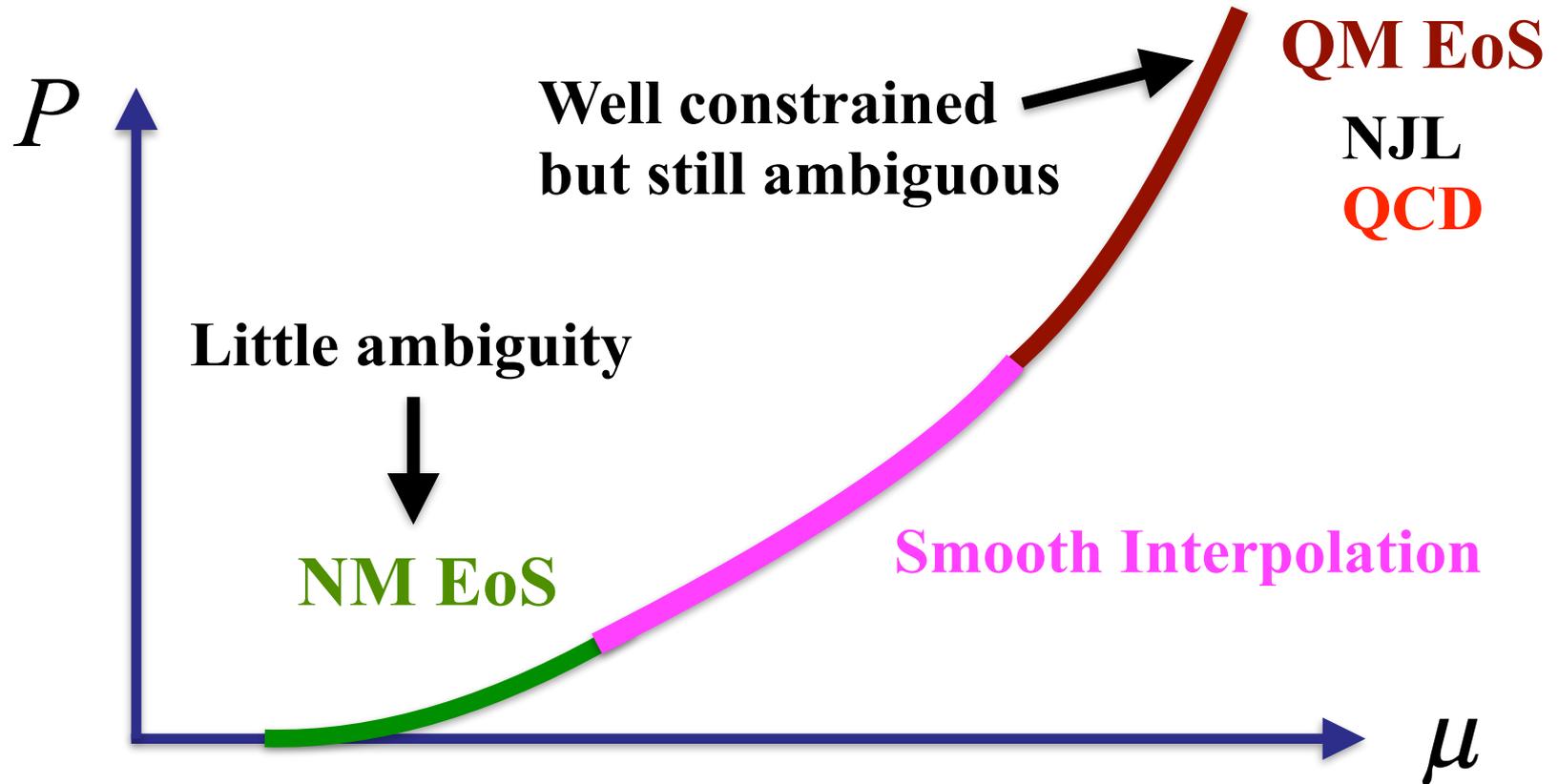
Alford-Baym-Fukushima-Hatsuda-Tachibana (2017)



# What is known from theory?

## (So far best) Bottom-up Approach

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



# What is known from theory?

You may wonder if pQCD works at high density?

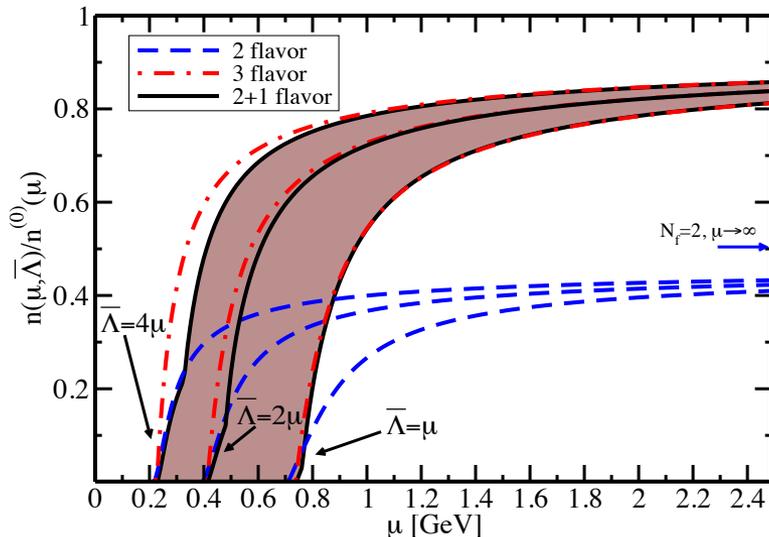
**Freedman-McLerran (1977)**

**Baluni (1978)**

**Kurkela-Romatschke-Vuorinen (2009)**

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

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



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

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

**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.**

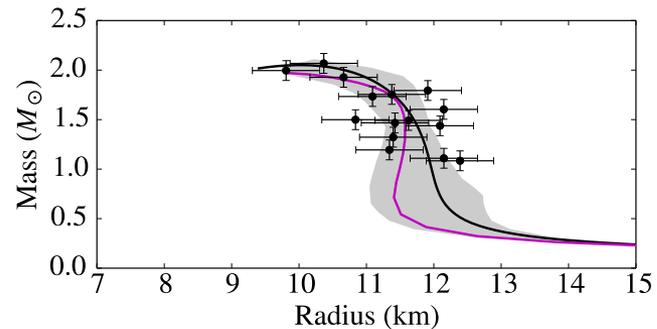
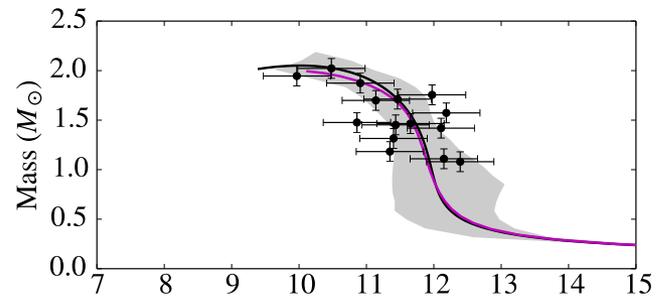
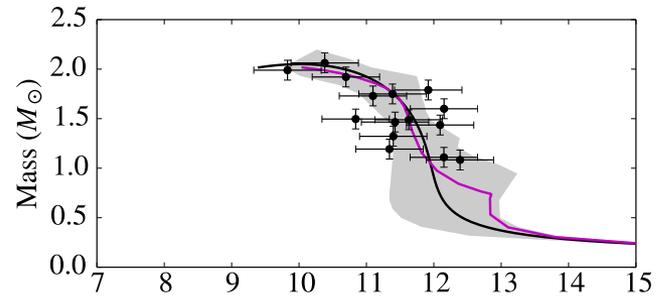
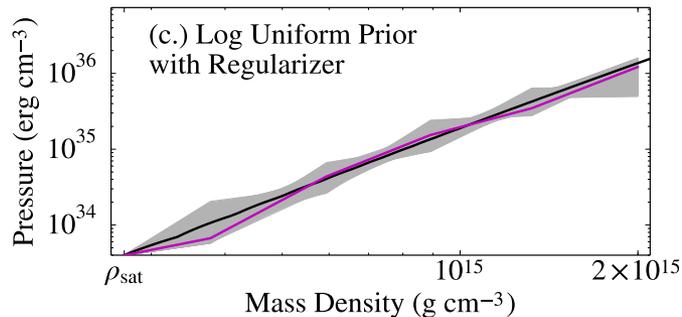
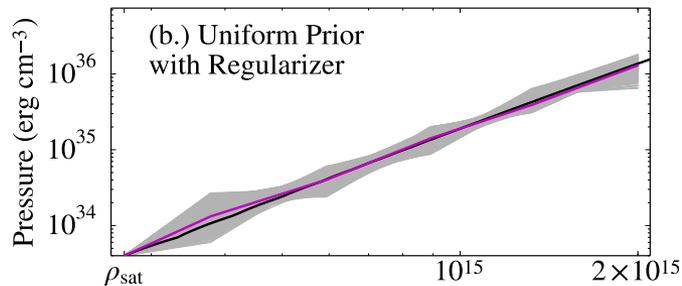
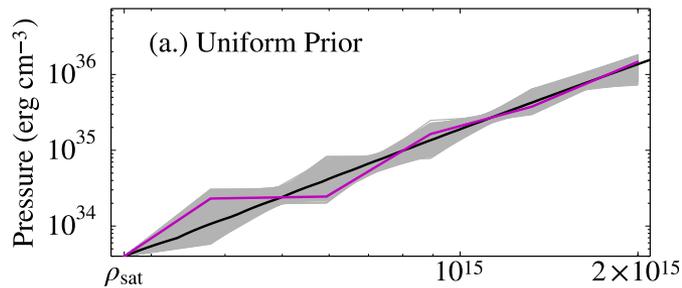
# From Experiment to EoS



**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**



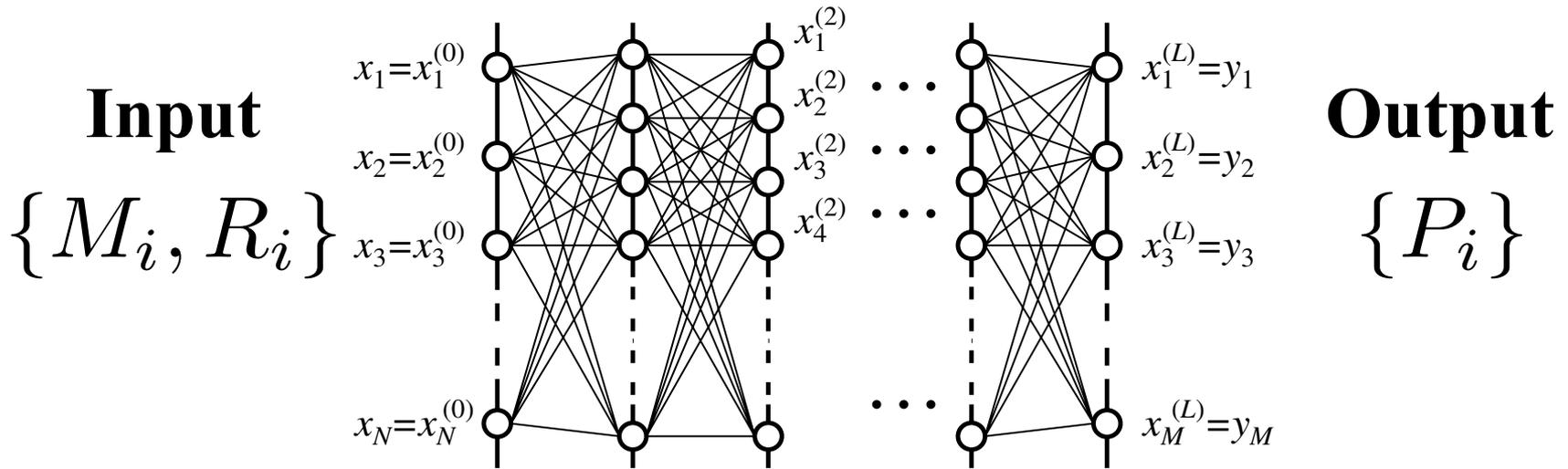
**(Supervised) Learning = Parameter Tuning**

**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**

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

# *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

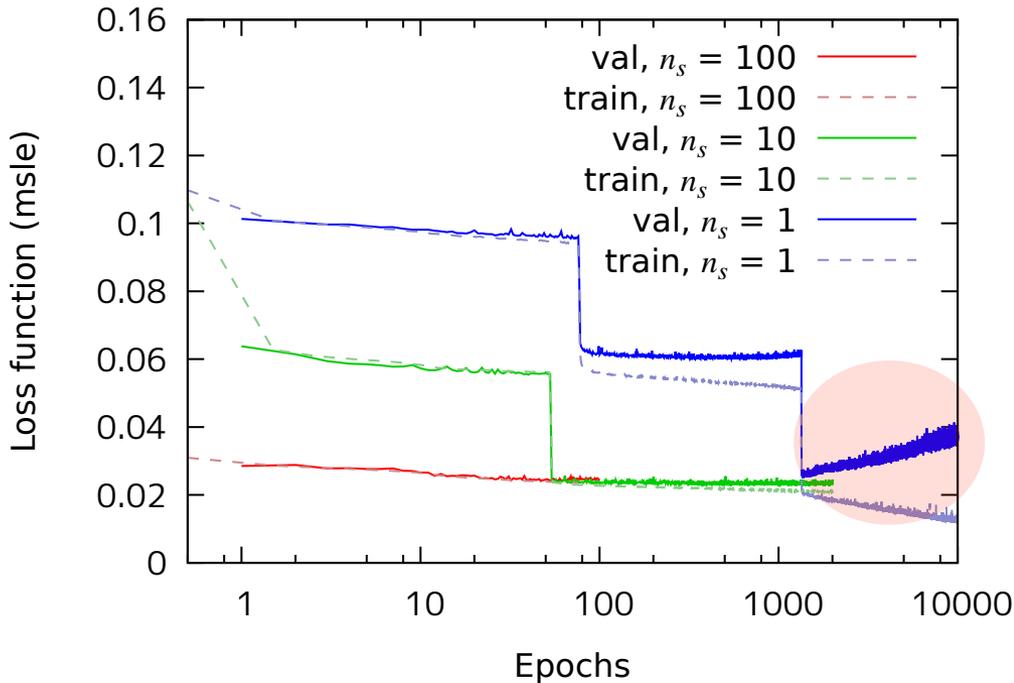
# *From Experiment to EoS*

## **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!**

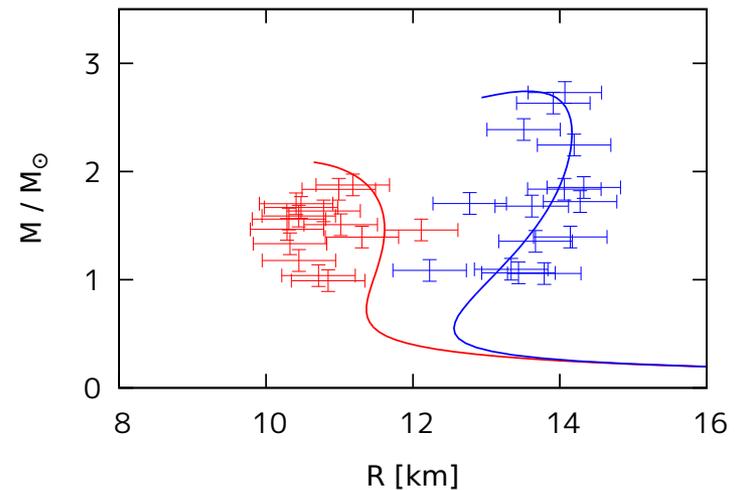
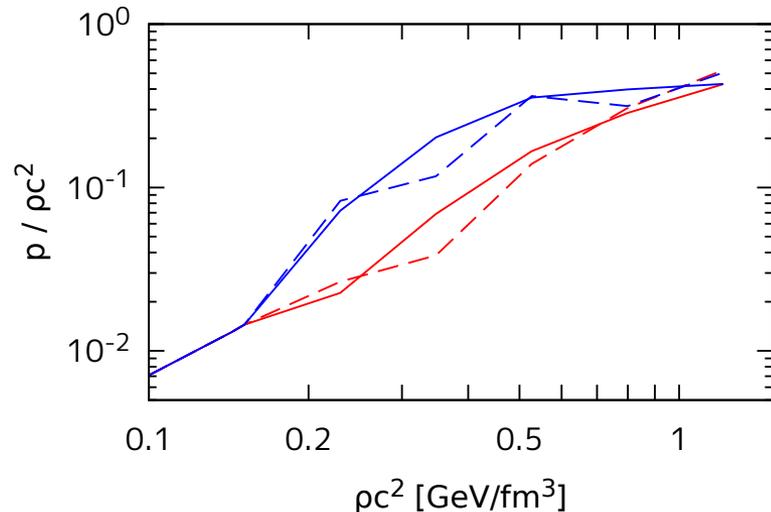


# From Experiment to EoS

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?