

Neutron Stars : composition and observation



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COMPACT OBJECTS

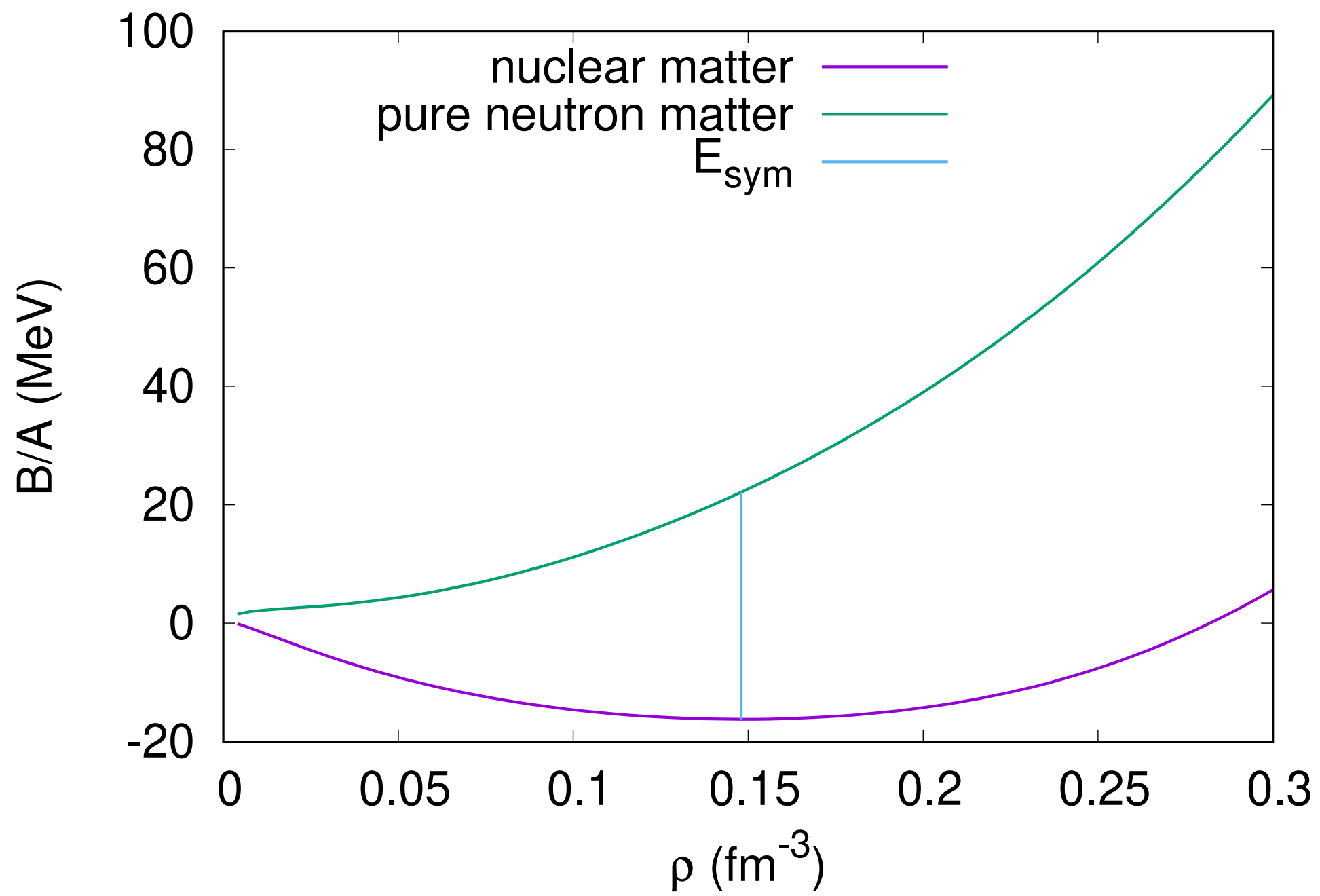
Existing models

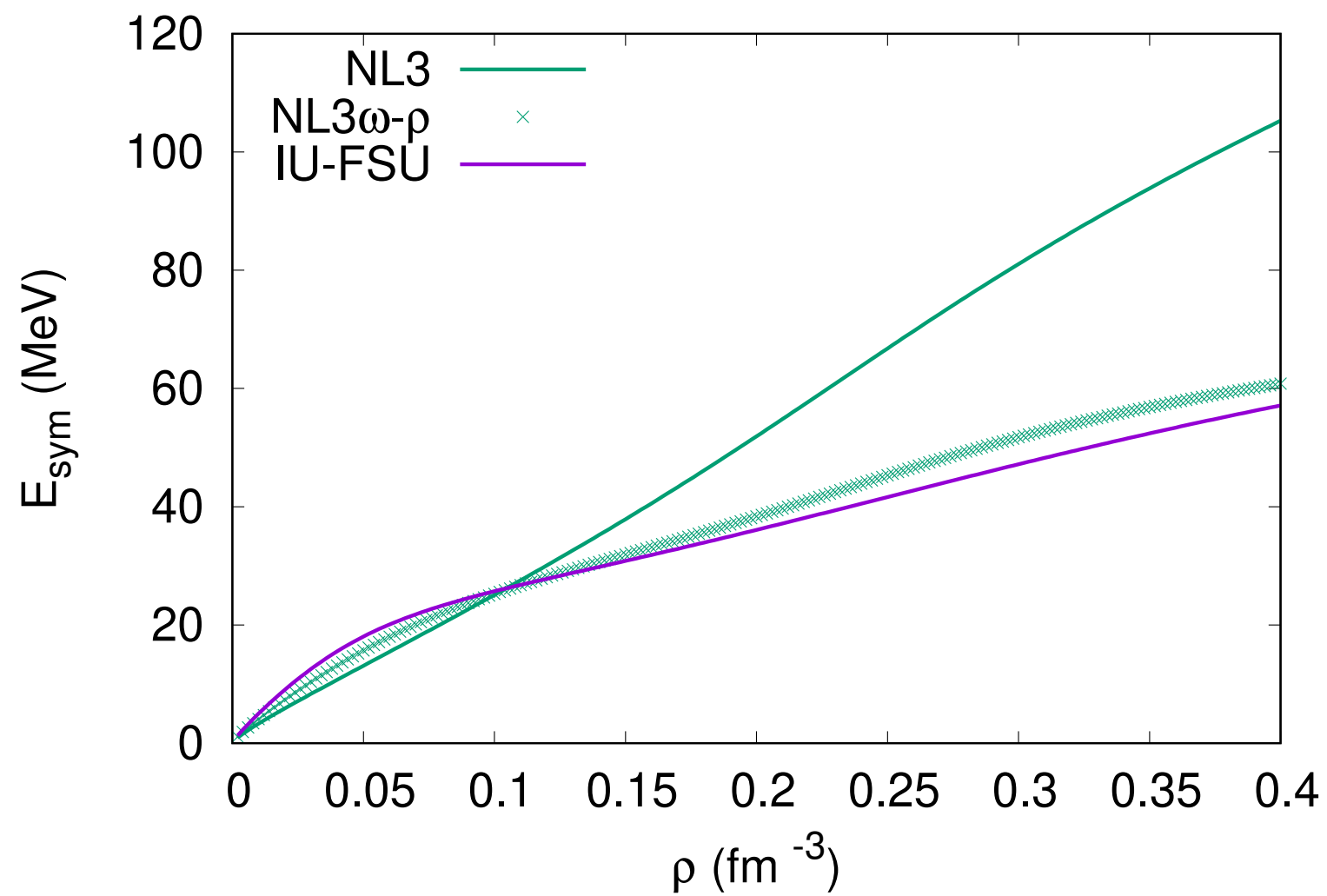
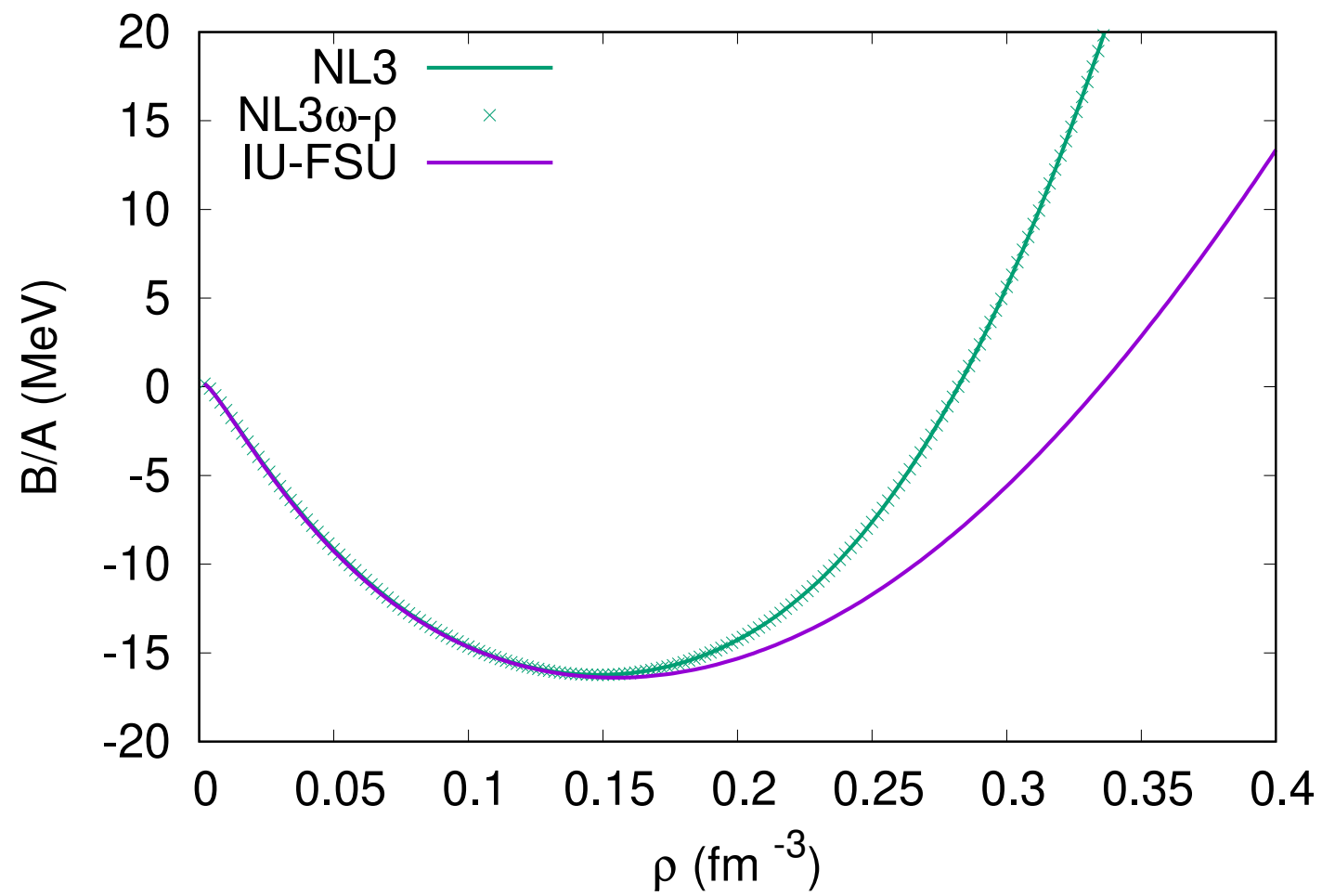
- Parameter dependent nuclear models should satisfy some **nuclear bulk properties**:
- Saturation density, binding energy , symmetry energy (and its derivatives), (in)compressibility
- Many parameters lead to many different models that satisfy them, both **non-relativistic** (Skyrme-type) and **relativistic** ones.
- How to choose?

$$E(\rho_B, \delta) \simeq E(Y_p = 0.5, \rho_B) + E_{sym}(\rho_b)\delta^2$$

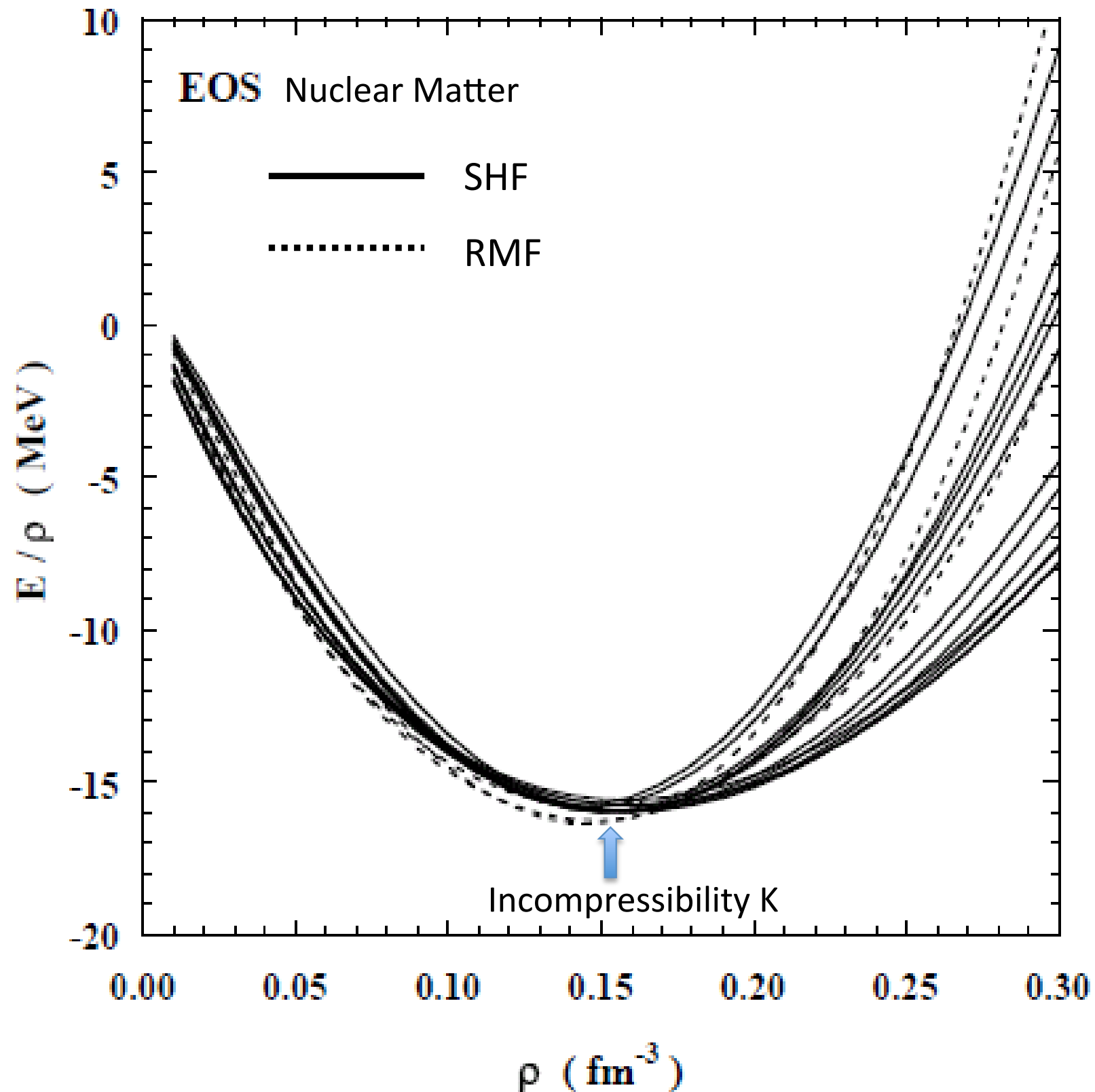
$$E_{sym}(\rho_b) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial \delta^2} \Big|_{\delta=0} = 0$$

$$\delta = \frac{\rho_n - \rho_p}{\rho_B}, \quad \delta = 0 \rightarrow Y_p = 0.5$$



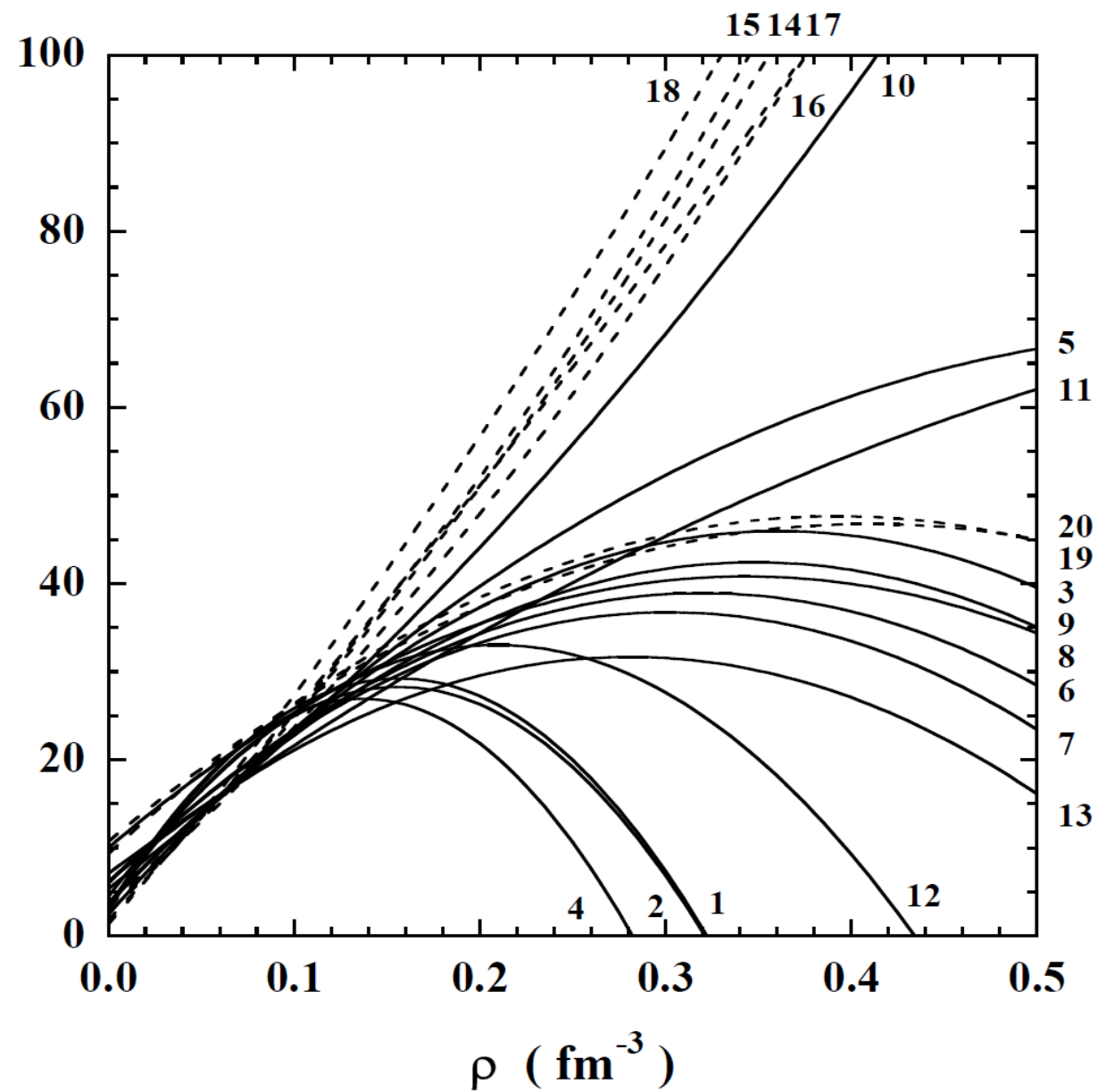
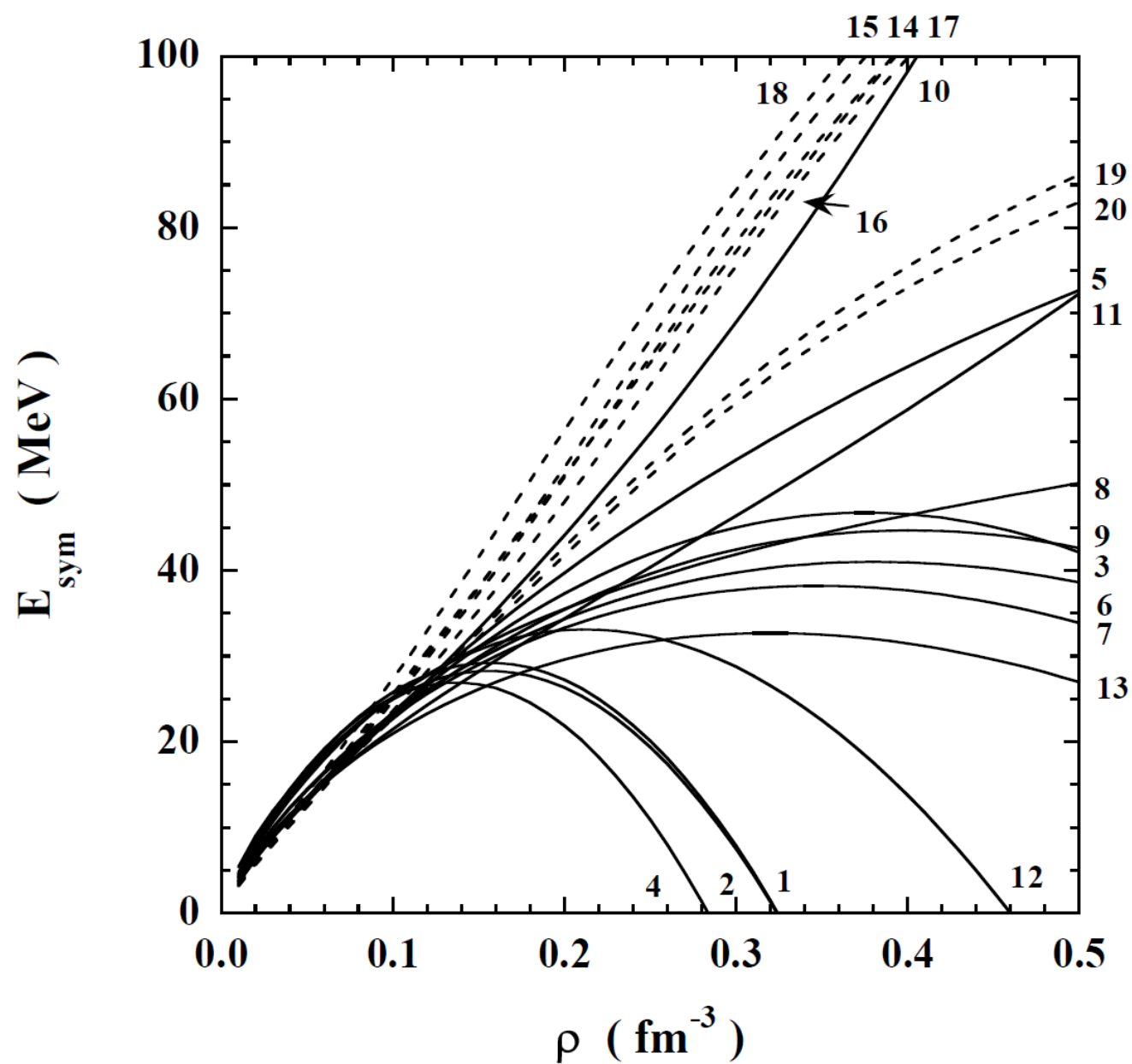


What happens when we move to higher densities? What about finite temperature?



$$\varepsilon_{\delta}(\rho) = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{I \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial I^2} \left(\frac{H_{nm}}{\rho} \right)$$

$$\varepsilon_{\delta}(\rho) = J + \frac{L}{3} \frac{\rho - \rho_{nm}}{\rho_{nm}} + \frac{K_{\text{sym}}}{18} \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_{nm}}{\rho_{nm}} \right)^2.$$



$$E_{sym} = J + L\left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0}\right) + \frac{K_{sym}}{2}\left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(3)$$

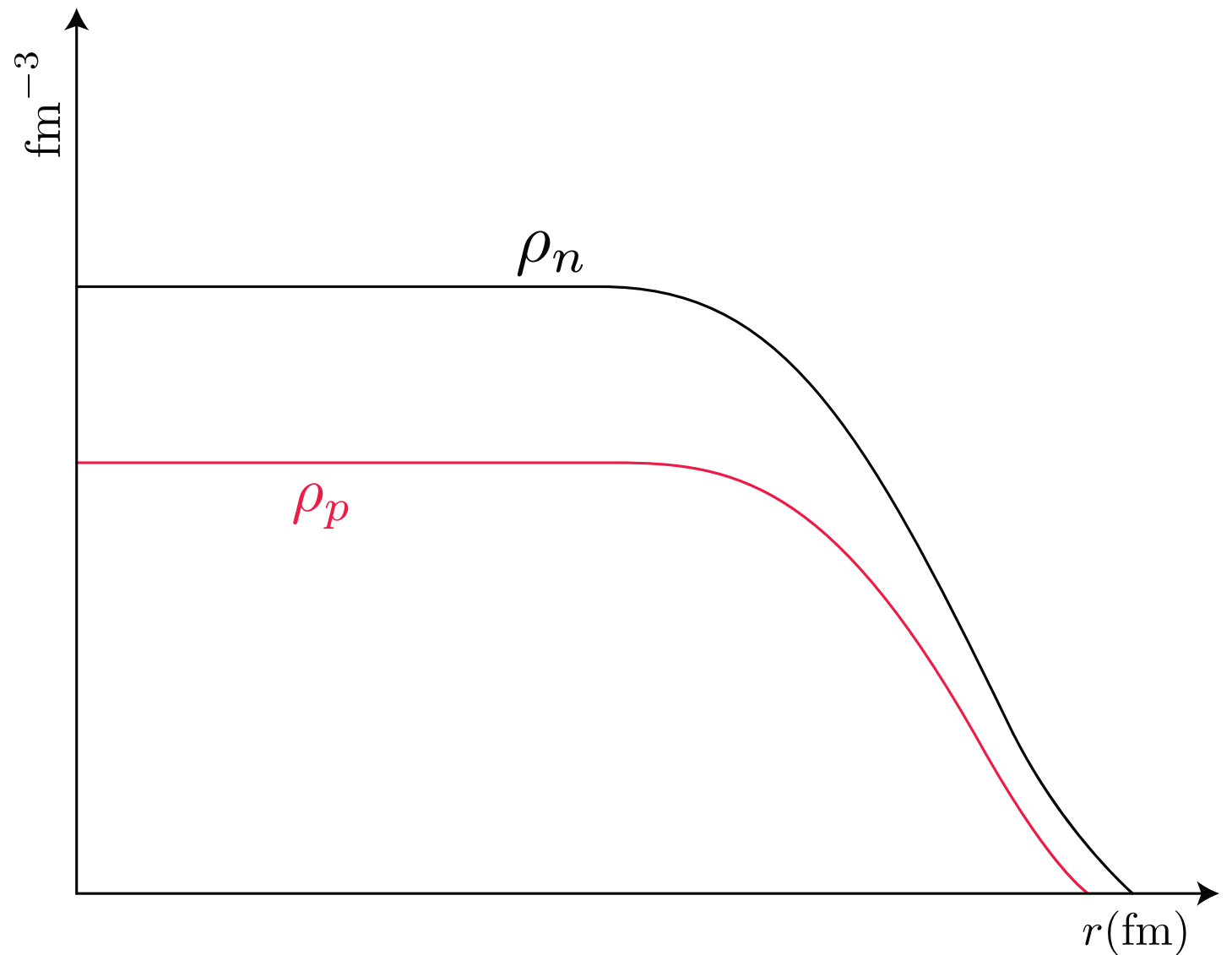
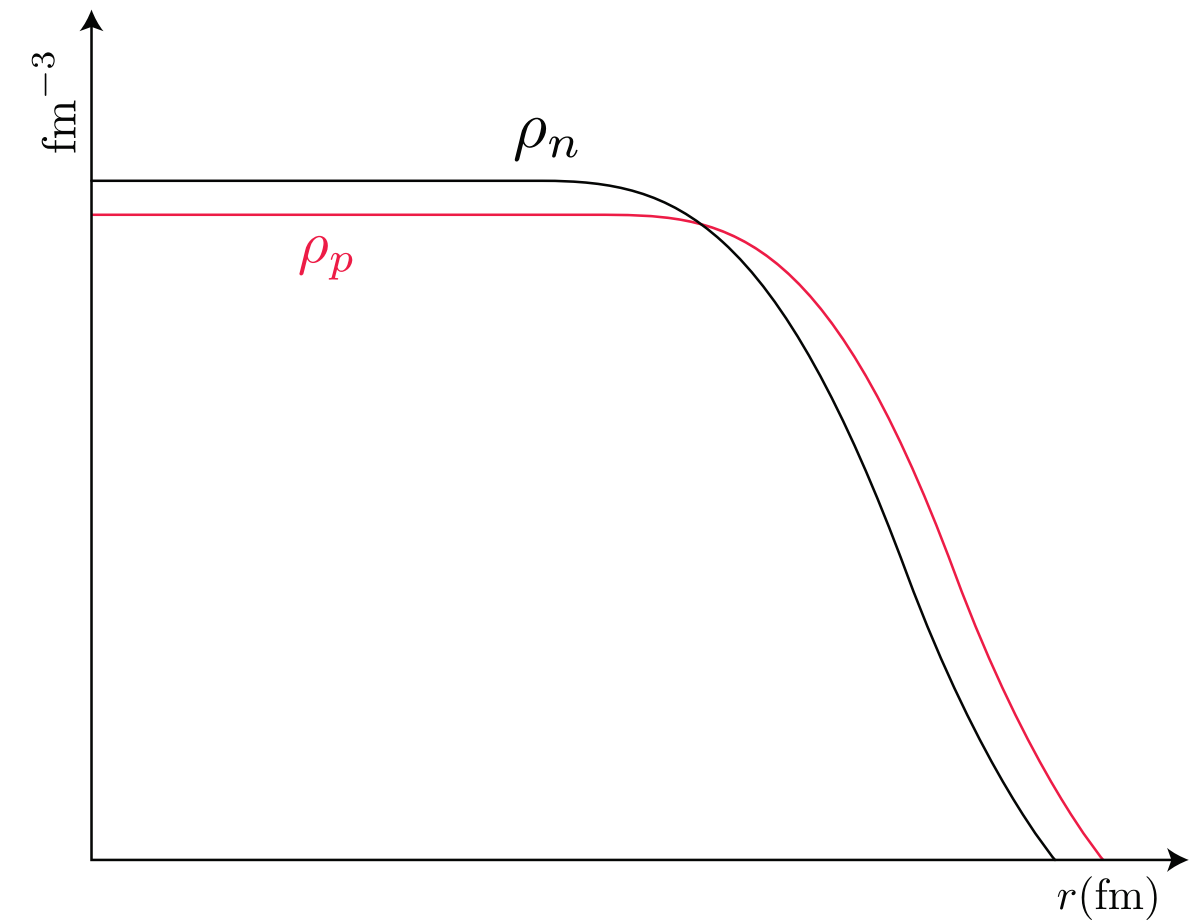
$$L = 3\rho_0 \left(\frac{\partial E_{sym}(\rho)}{\partial \rho} \right)_{\rho=\rho_0}$$

Phys. Lett. B 727, 276 (2013) $25 < L_0 < 115 \text{ MeV}$

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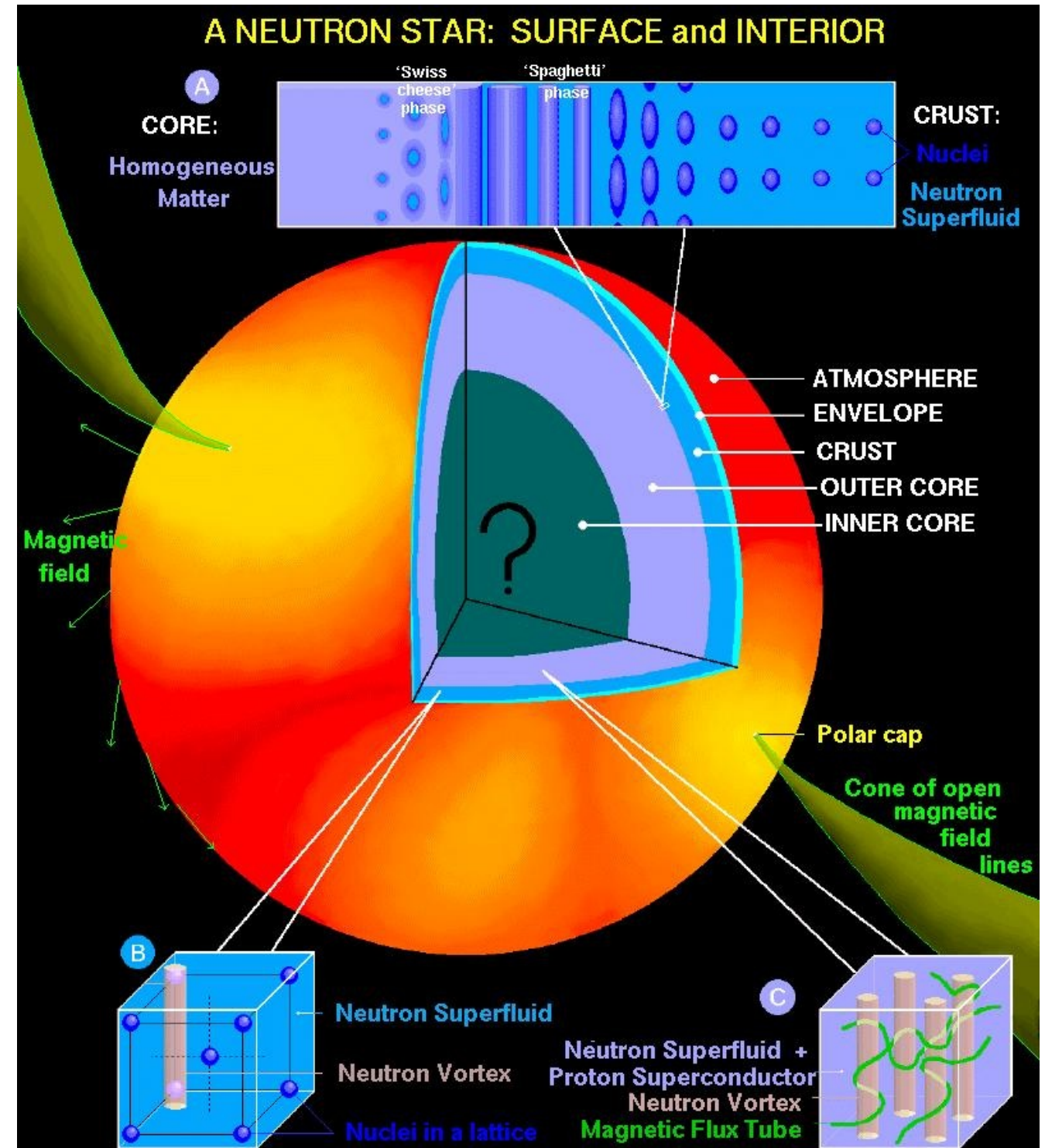
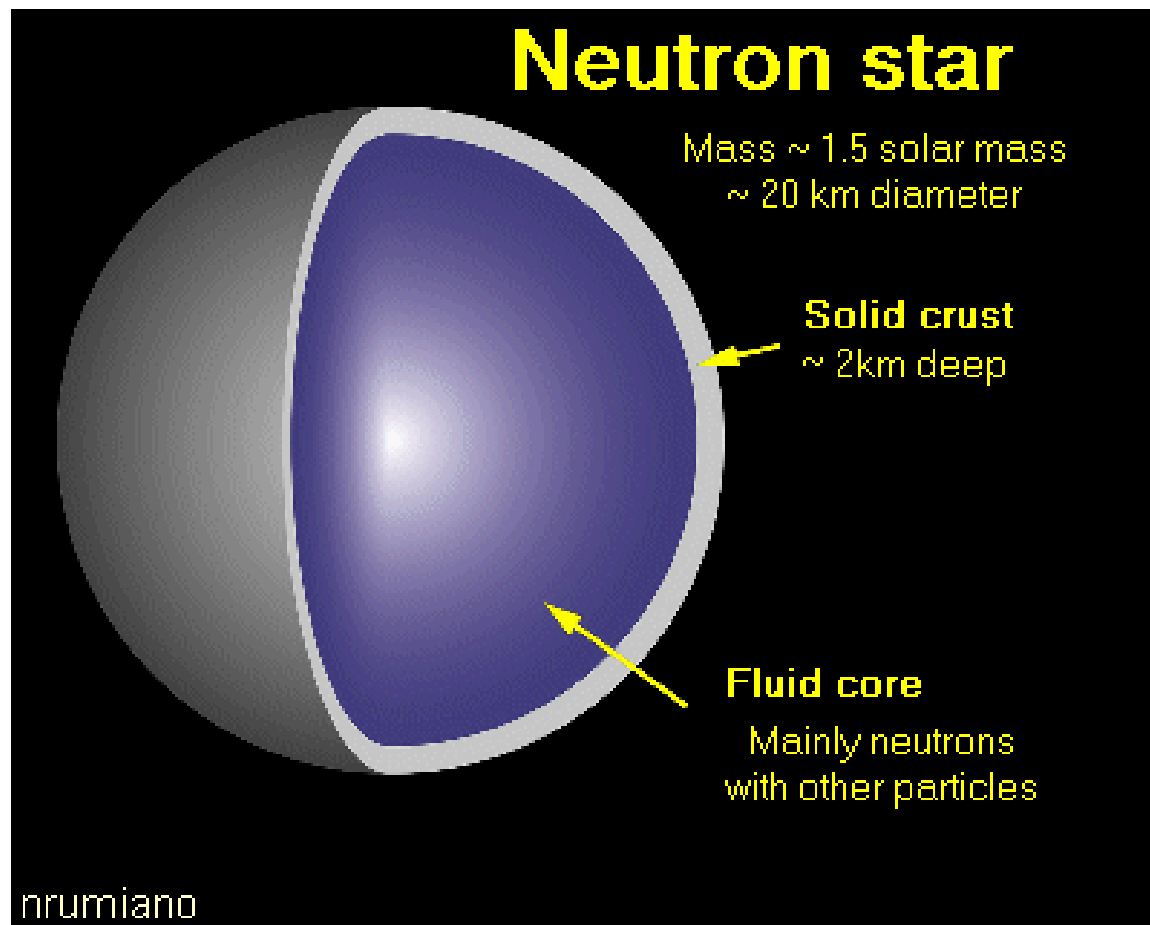
**Slope está correlacionado com
a pele de nêutrons e raio da estrela de nêutrons**

Pele de nêutrons



$$R_{\text{skin}} = R_n - R_p$$

Structure of a NS



Non-linear models

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{nm}} = \bar{\psi}(i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - M)\psi + g_\sigma \sigma \bar{\psi}\psi - g_\omega \bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu \omega_\mu \psi - \frac{g_\rho}{2} \bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu \vec{\rho}_\mu \vec{\tau} \psi + g_\delta \bar{\psi} \vec{\delta} \vec{\tau} \psi,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\sigma = \frac{1}{2}(\partial^\mu \sigma \partial_\mu \sigma - m_\sigma^2 \sigma^2) - \frac{A}{3} \sigma^3 - \frac{B}{4} \sigma^4,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\omega = -\frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_\omega^2 \omega_\mu \omega^\mu + \frac{C}{4} (g_\omega^2 \omega_\mu \omega^\mu)^2,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\rho = -\frac{1}{4} \vec{B}^{\mu\nu} \vec{B}_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_\rho^2 \vec{\rho}_\mu \vec{\rho}^\mu,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\delta = \frac{1}{2}(\partial^\mu \vec{\delta} \partial_\mu \vec{\delta} - m_\delta^2 \vec{\delta}^2),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\sigma\omega\rho} = & g_\sigma g_\omega^2 \sigma \omega_\mu \omega^\mu \left(\alpha_1 + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_1' g_\sigma \sigma \right) + g_\sigma g_\rho^2 \sigma \vec{\rho}_\mu \vec{\rho}^\mu \left(\alpha_2 + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_2' g_\sigma \sigma \right) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_3' g_\omega^2 g_\rho^2 \omega_\mu \omega^\mu \vec{\rho}_\mu \vec{\rho}^\mu \end{aligned}$$

Baryon	M (MeV)	q content	J	$\vec{\tau}$	τ_3	S	electric charge
p	938.28	uud	1/2	1/2	+1/2	0	1
n	939.57	udd	1/2	1/2	-1/2	0	0
Λ	1115.6	uds	1/2	0	0	-1	0
Σ^+	1189.4	uus	1/2	1	+1	-1	+1
Σ^0	1192.5	uds	1/2	1	0	-1	0
Σ^-	1197.3	dds	1/2	1	-1	-1	+1
Ξ^0	1314.9	uss	1/2	1/2	+1/2	-2	0
Ξ^-	1321.3	dss	1/2	1/2	-1/2	-2	-1

Stellar matter is subje^t to **chemical equilibrium** and **charge neutrality** conditions:

$$\mu_{\Sigma^+} = \mu_p = \mu_n - \mu_e, \quad \mu_{\Sigma^0} = \mu_{\Xi^0} = \mu_{\Lambda} = \mu_n, \quad \mu_{\Sigma^-} = \mu_{\Xi^-} = \mu_n + \mu_e$$

$$\sum_B q_B \rho_B + \sum_l q_l \rho_l = 0$$

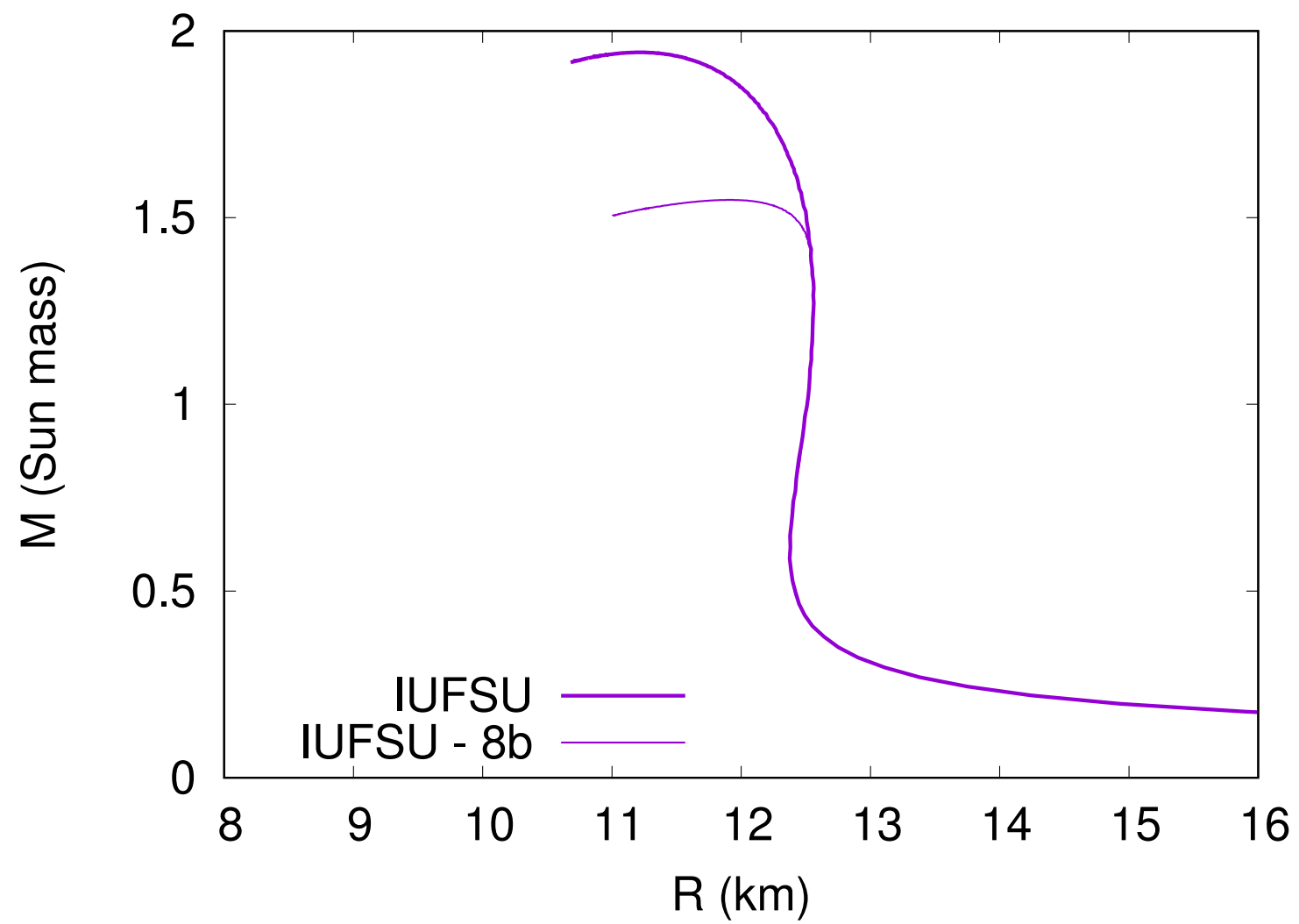
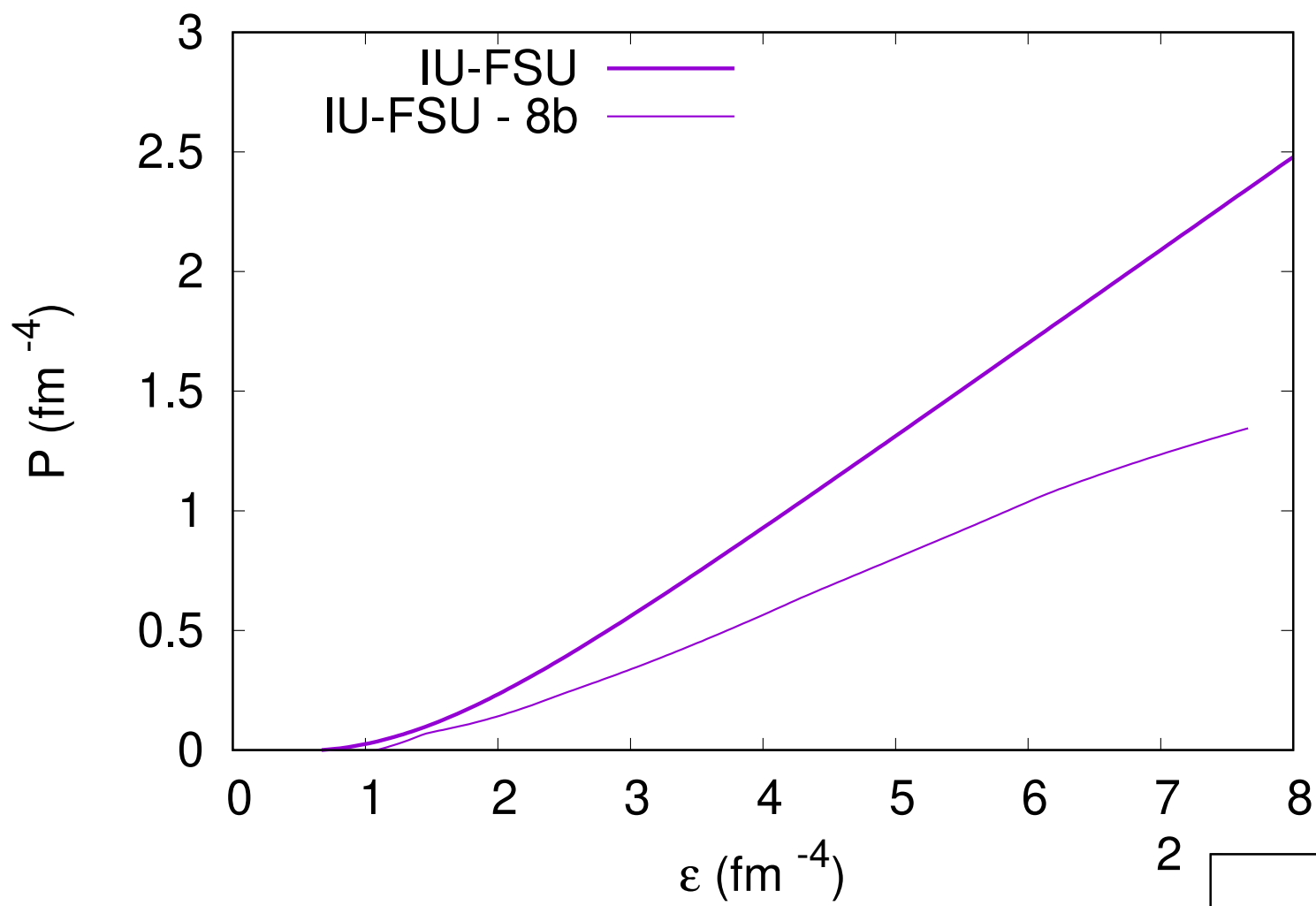
RMF - usual steps:

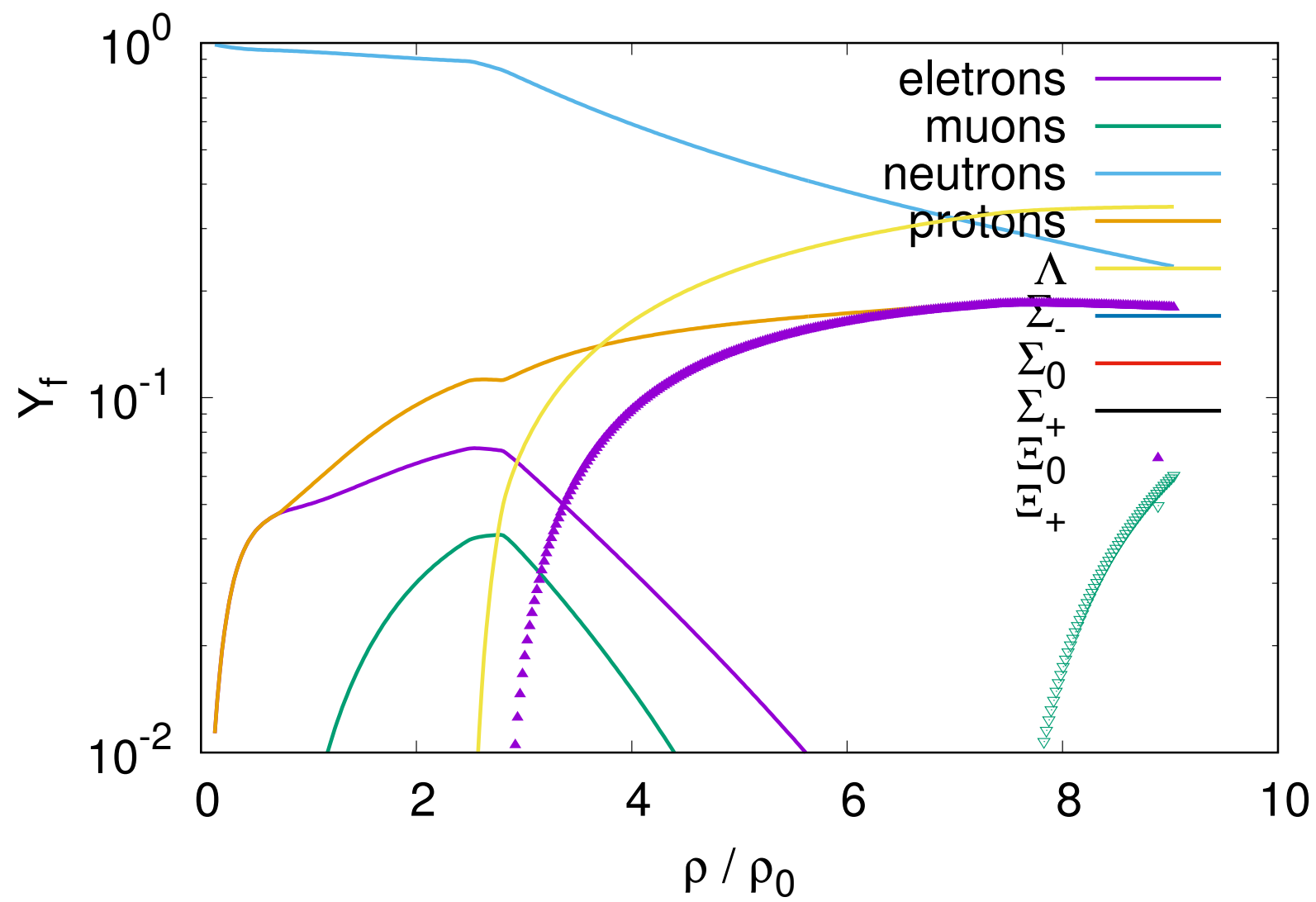
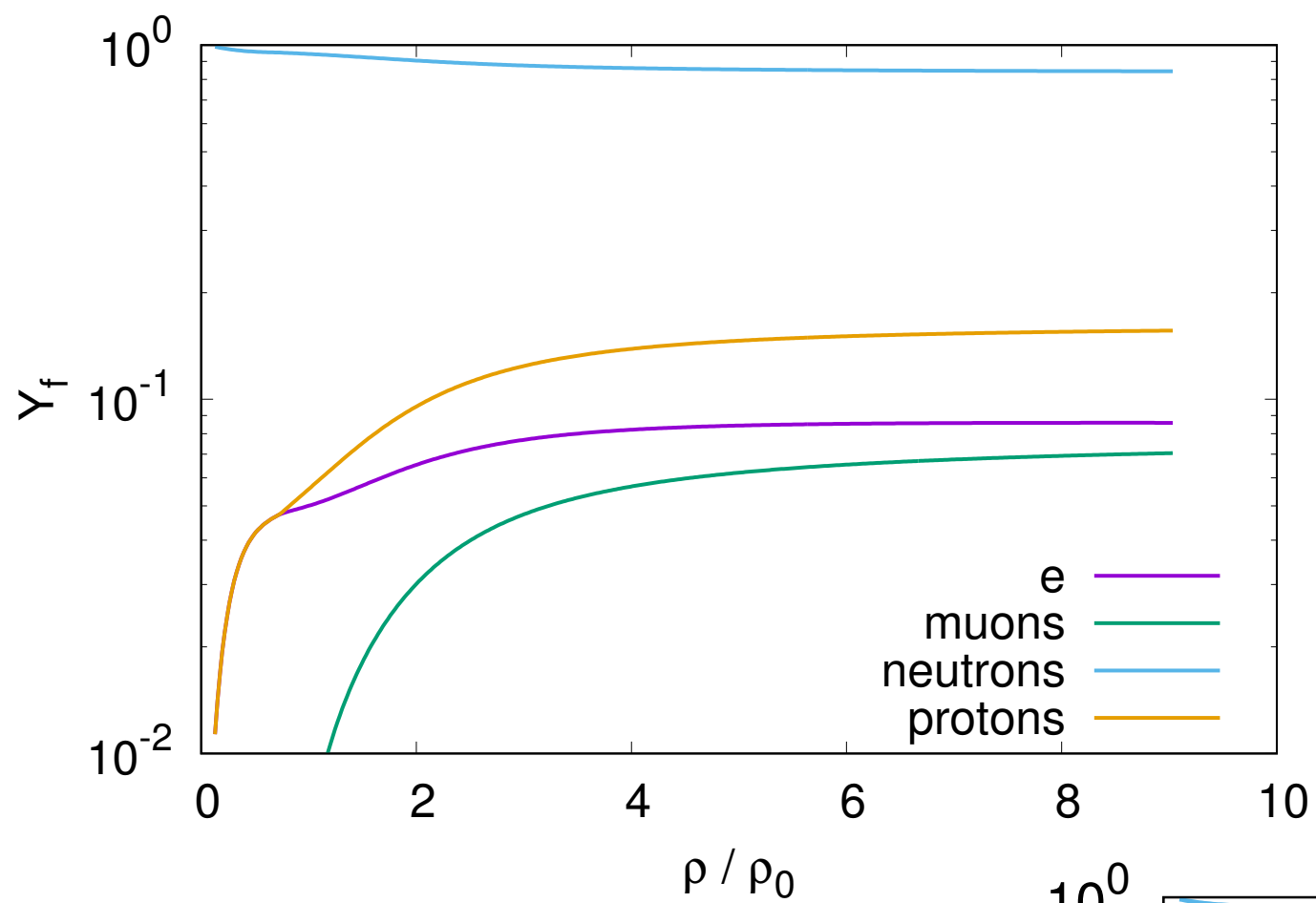
Mean-field approximation (the meson fields are treated as classical fields)

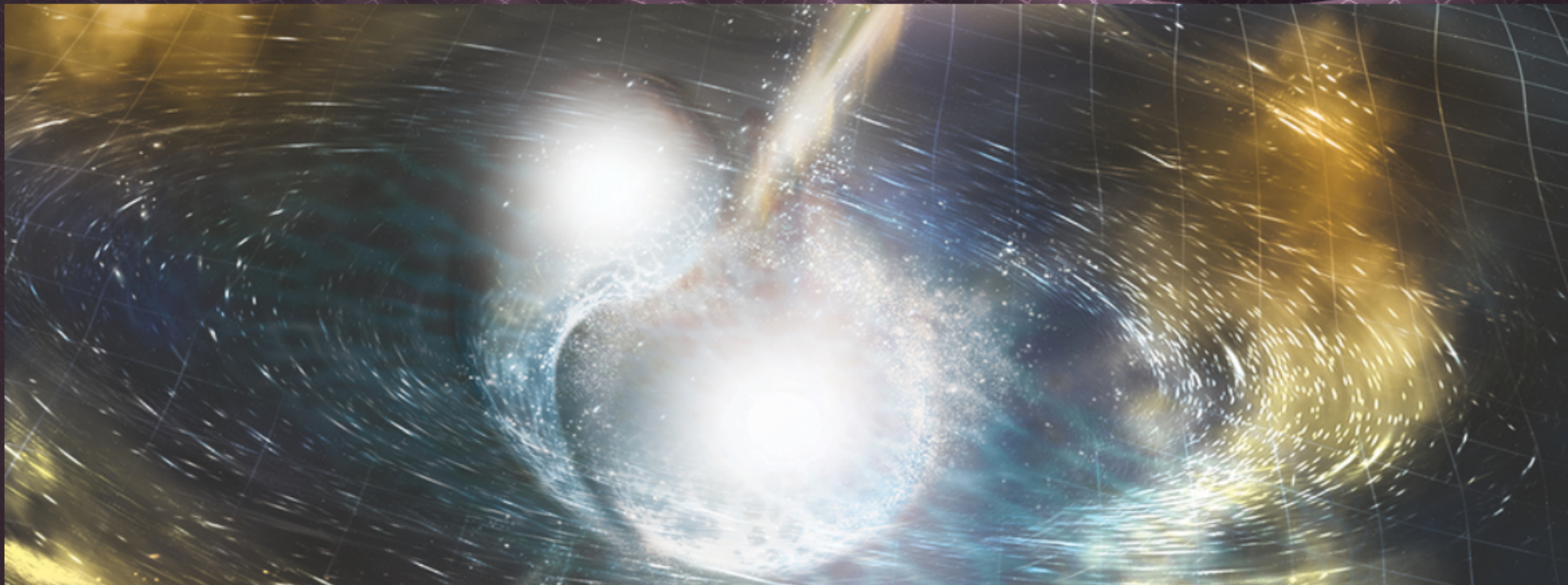
Euler-Lagrange equations → equations of motion (translational and rotational invariance) → energy-momentum tensor → EoS

EoS is input to the Tolman-Oppenheimer-Volkoff equations:

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{G}{r} \frac{[\varepsilon + P] [M + 4\pi r^3 P]}{(r - 2GM)}$$
$$\frac{dM}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \varepsilon$$







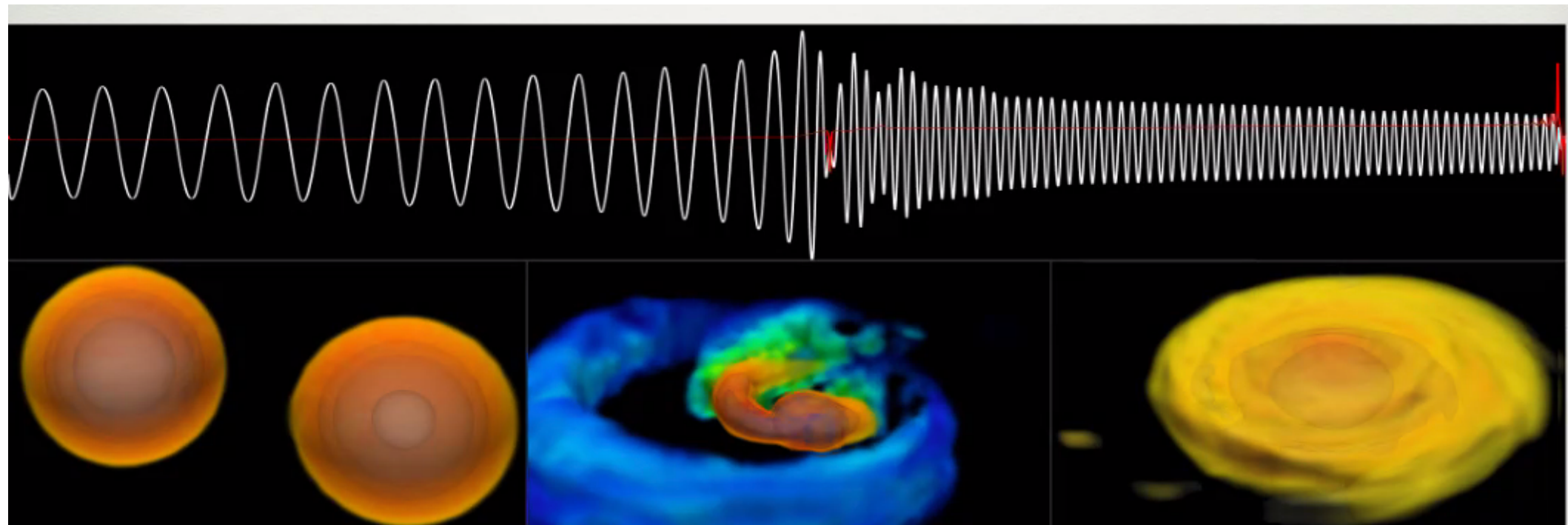
Cataclysmic Collision Artist's illustration of two merging neutron stars. The rippling space-time grid represents gravitational waves that travel out from the collision, while the narrow beams show the bursts of gamma rays that are shot out just seconds after the gravitational waves. Swirling clouds of material ejected from the merging stars are also depicted. The clouds glow with visible and other wavelengths of light. Image credit: NSF/LIGO/Sonoma State University/A. Simonnet

GW170817 Press Release

LIGO and Virgo make first detection of gravitational waves produced by colliding neutron stars

Discovery marks first cosmic event observed in both gravitational waves and light.

Watch the recording of a press conference announcing the discovery at the National Press Club in Washington, DC:

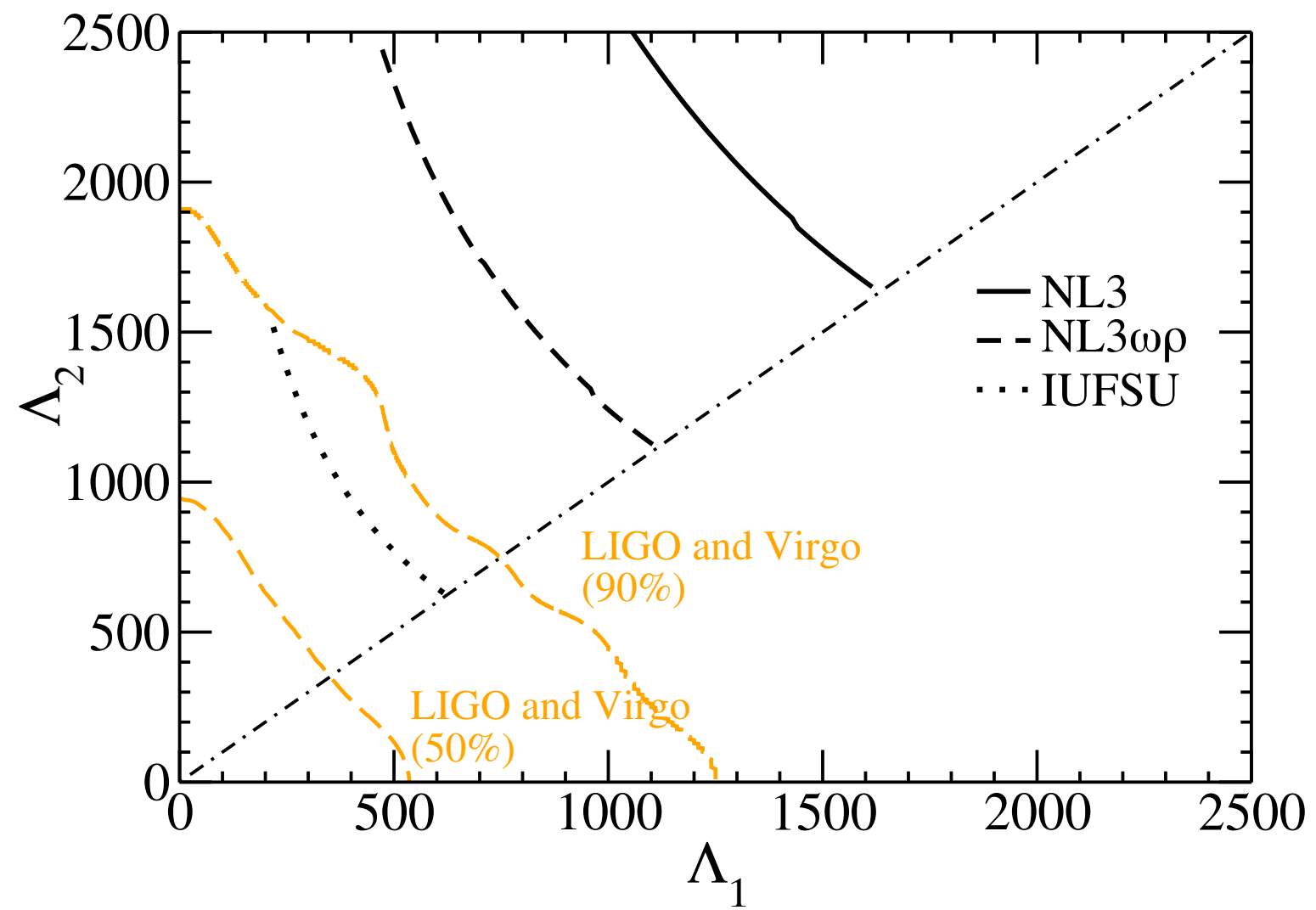
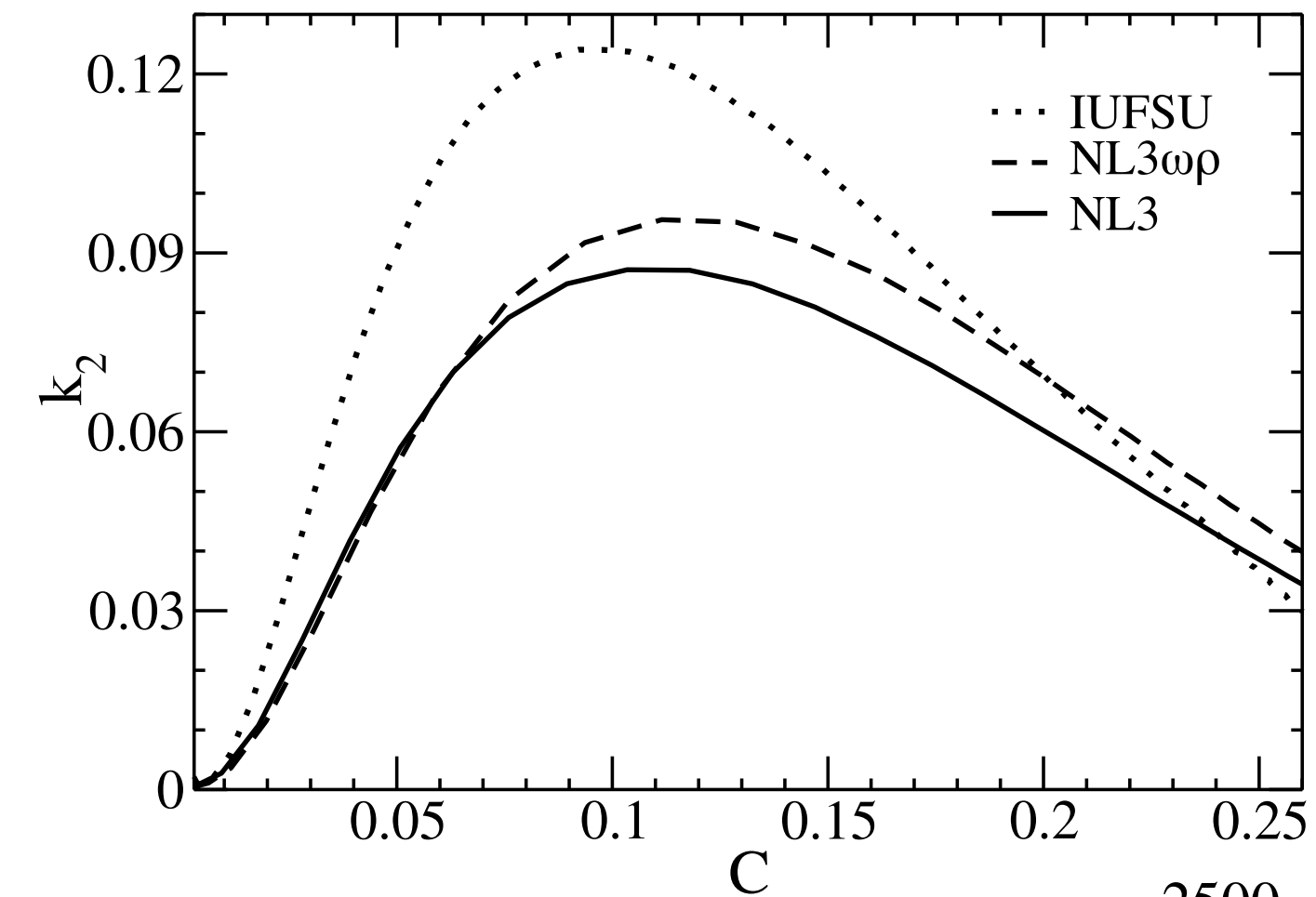


Inspiral

Merger

Ringdown





RMF Models - (relativistic) :

263 tested - nuclear bulk properties

M. Dutra et al, PRC 90, 055203 (2014)

35 approved

34 tested - astrophysical constraints

M. Dutra, O.Lourenço, DPM, PRC 93, 025806 (2016)

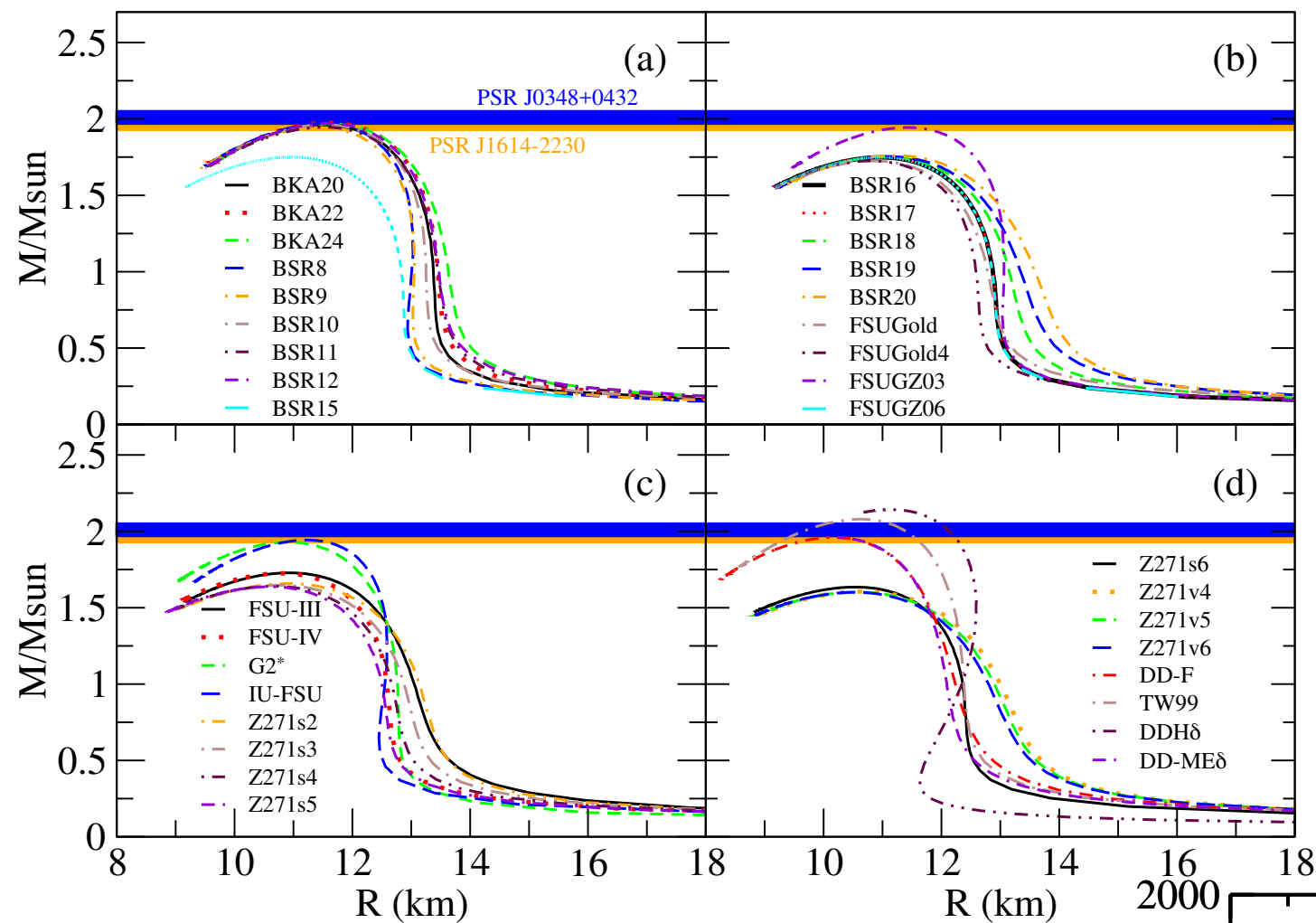
15 approved - can sustain massive NS

34 tested - GW170817

O. Lourenço, M. Dutra, C. Lenzi, C. V. Flores, DPM, PRC 99, 045202 (2019)

24 approved - lie inside tidal polarizabilities confidence lines

Only **5** can describe massive NS and satisfy GW170817



But now...

PSR J0740+6620

$$2.07 \pm 0.08 M_{\odot}$$

H.~Cromartie et al: Nat. Astr. (2019)

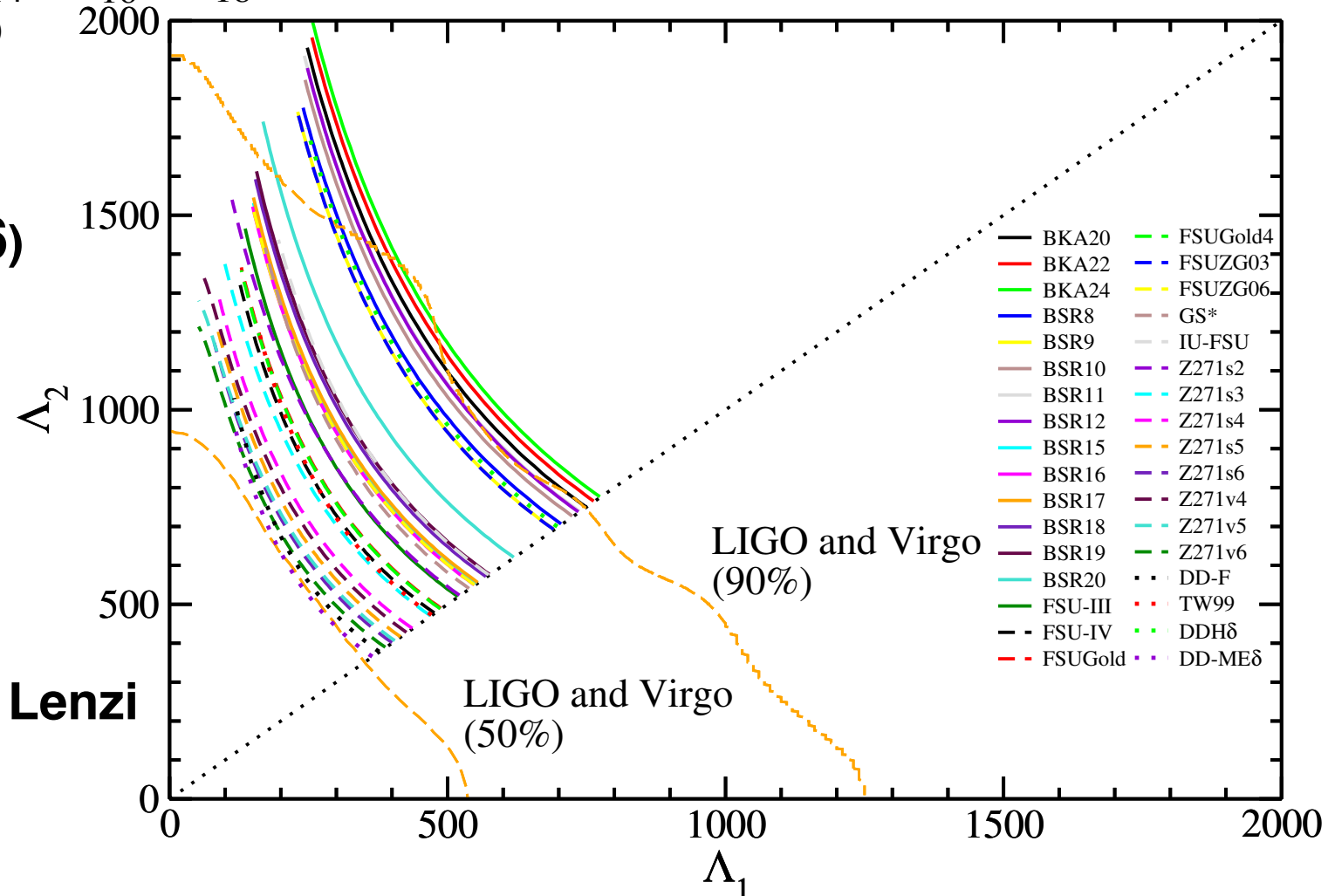
M.C.Miller et al, arXiv: 2105.06979

**Not mentioning the
hyperon puzzle**

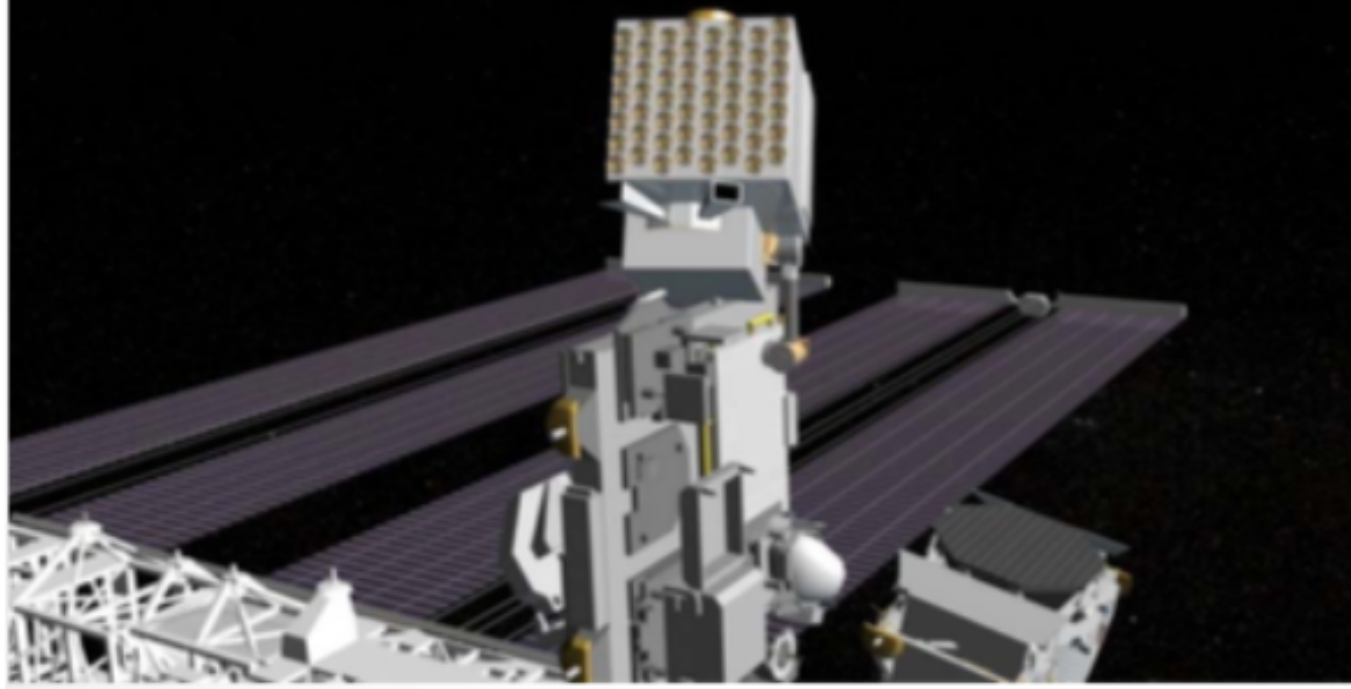
**Mariana Dutra, Odilon Lourenço,
DPM, Phys. Rev. C 93, 025806 (2016)**

**5 modelos satisfazem
ambos**

**Odilon Lourenço, Mariana Dutra, César H. Lenzi
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Phys. Rev. C 99, 045202 (2019).**



Nicer



Main NS manifestations:

- **Pulsars** - powered by rotation energy (1900 observed in radio-frequency)

$$M = M_{\odot} \simeq 10^{30} \text{ Kg}$$

$$\rho = M/R^3 \simeq 10^{18} \text{ Kg/l}$$

$$R \simeq 10 \text{ Km}$$

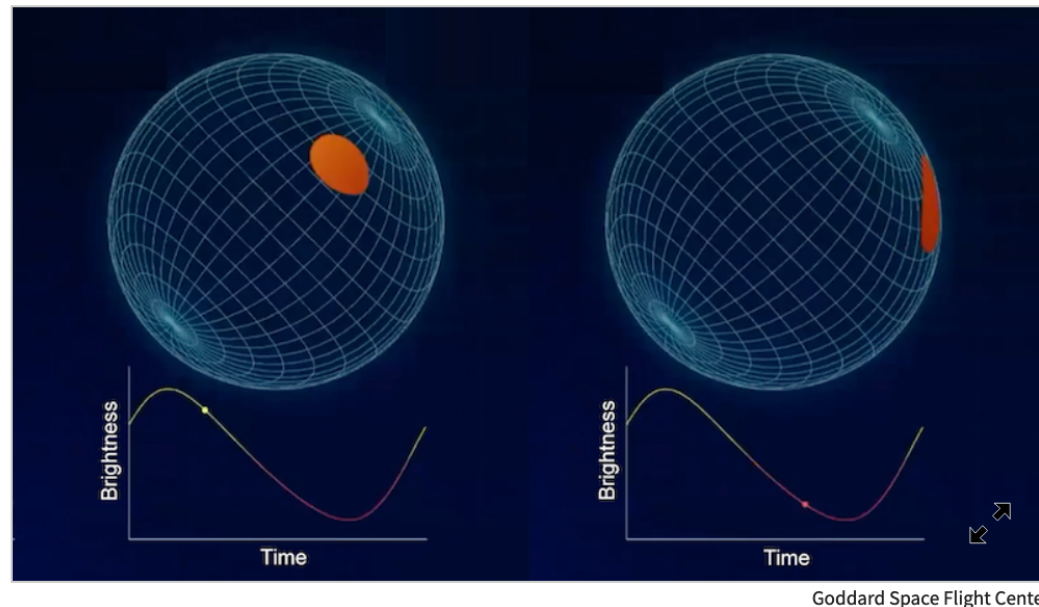
- **Accreting X-Ray Binaries**
powered by gravitational energy
rotation periods 0.0015-1000 s)

RESEARCH NEWS

Sizing Up the Most Massive Neutron Star

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A satellite experiment has revealed that the heaviest known neutron star is unexpectedly large, which suggests that the matter in the star's inner core is less “squeezable” than some models predict.



NICER measures the size of a neutron star by tracking the x-ray emission from “hot spots” on the surface as the star rotates. These spots occur at the magnetic poles of the star, where the field slams particles onto the star surface.

Neutron stars are “**cosmic zombies**”—corpses of massive stars that collapsed in violent explosions after running out of fuel. By studying these ultradense objects, researchers hope to understand the behavior of matter under extreme conditions, which might help in cracking some of the biggest mysteries in physics. As announced at a press conference during the 2021 **APS April meeting**, NASA’s **Neutron star Interior Composition Explorer** (NICER), an x-ray telescope on the International Space Station, has measured the size of the heaviest known neutron star. The surprisingly large radius measured for this star implies a stiffer-than-expected state of matter in the core, disfavoring models that predict a “squishy” center.

E os raios? Quais os vínculos?

GW170817

$$70 < \Lambda_{1.4} < 580$$

$$10.5 \text{ km} \leq R_{1.4} M_{\odot} \leq 13.4 \text{ km}$$

Capano et al, Nat. Astr. (2020)

$$R_{1.4} M_{\odot} \leq 11.9 \text{ km}$$

NICER

Miller et al, arXiv 2105.06979

PSR J0740+6620

$$2.07 \pm 0.08 M_{\odot}$$

$$11.6 \text{ km} < R < 13.1 \text{ km}$$

PSR J0030+0451

$$11.8 \text{ km} < R_{1.4} M_{\odot} < 13.1 \text{ km}$$

Accurate Determination of the Neutron Skin Thickness of ^{208}Pb through Parity-Violation in Electron Scattering

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(PREX Collaboration)

$$R_{\text{skin}} = 0.283 \pm 0.071 \text{ fm}$$

Implications of PREX-2 on the Equation of State of Neutron-Rich Matter

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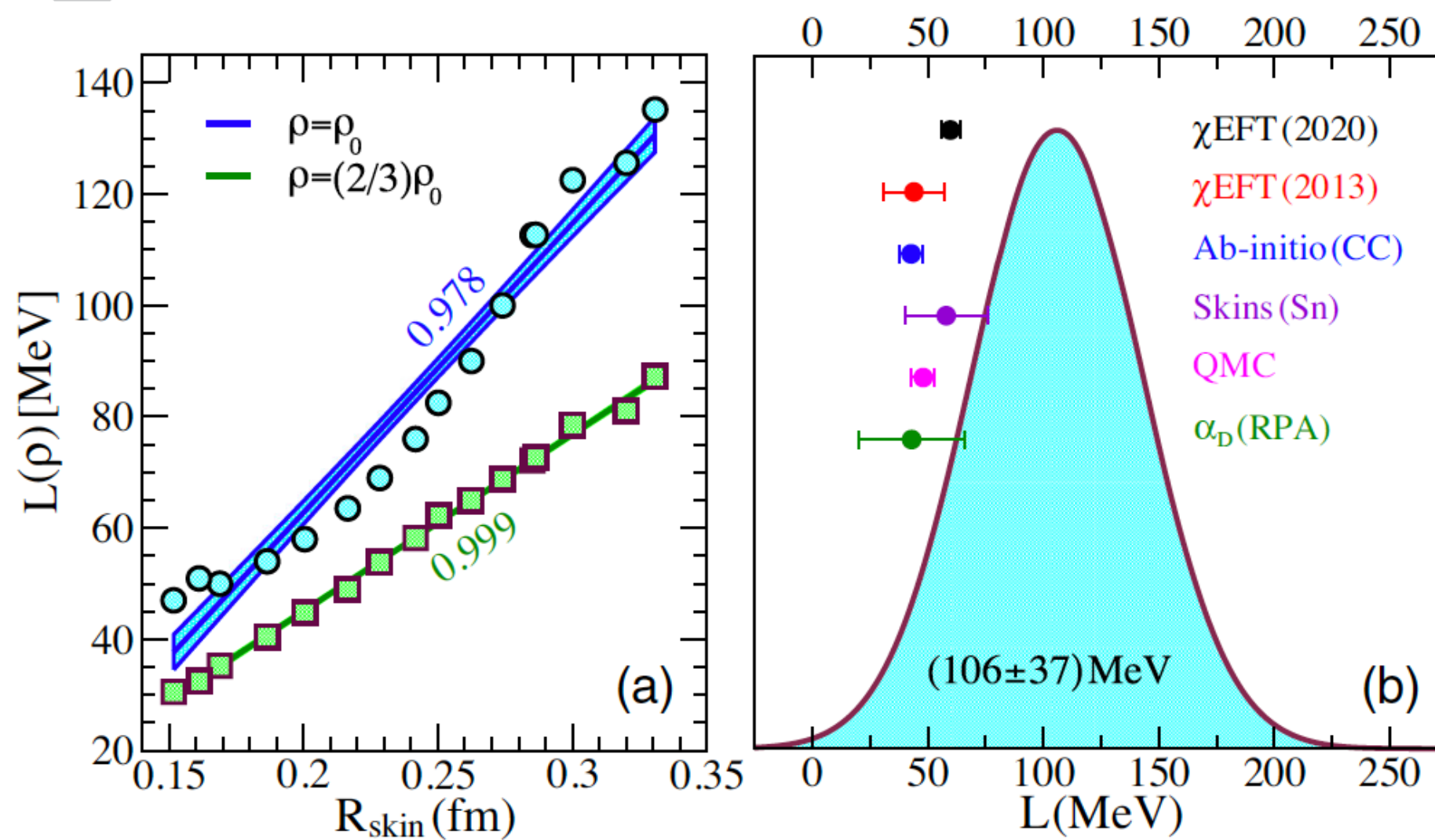
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$$E_{sym} = J + L\left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0}\right) + \frac{K_{sym}}{2}\left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(3)$$

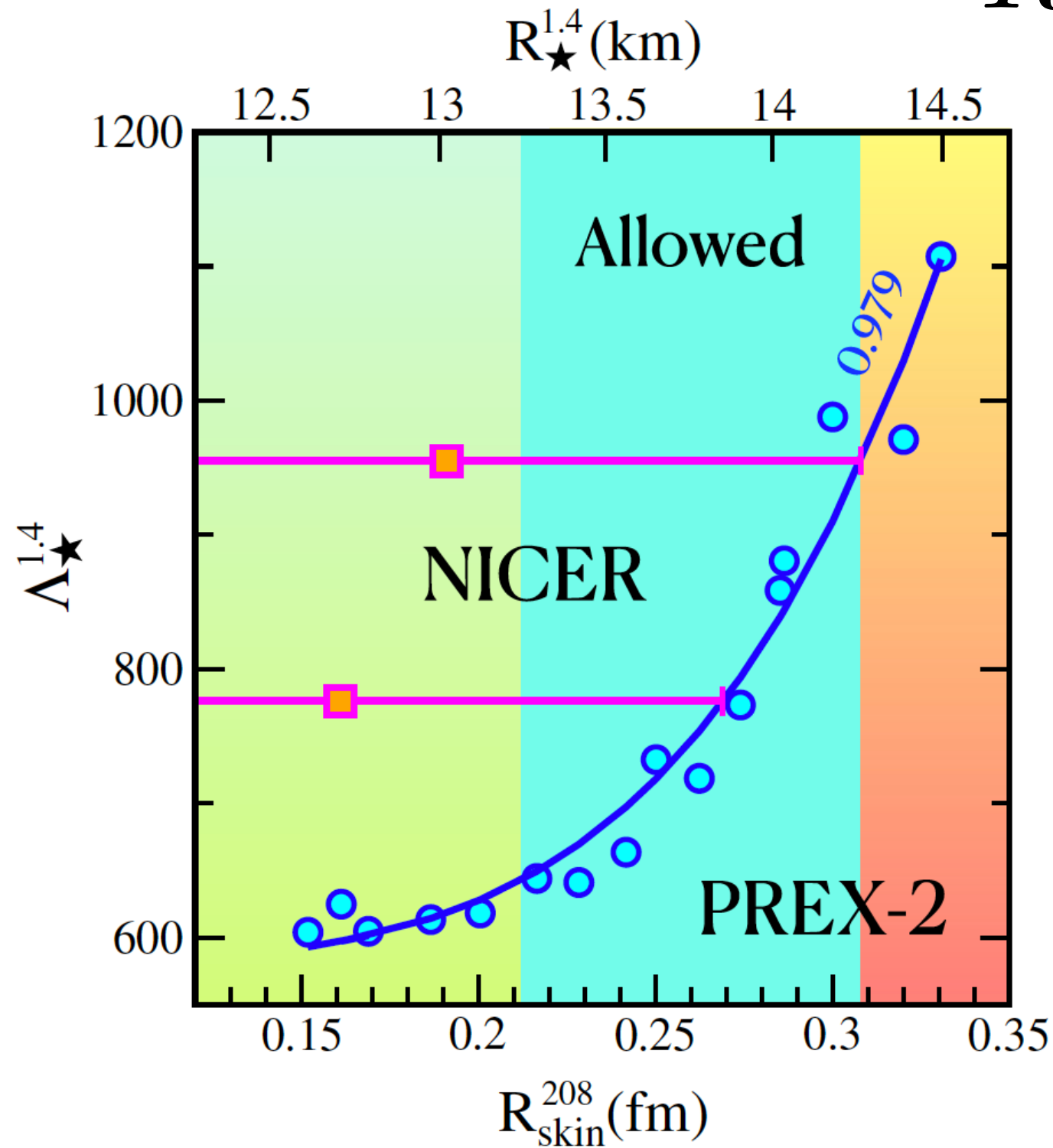
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PRL 126, 172503 (2021) $69 < L_0 < 143 \text{ MeV}$

$$R_{1.4} \text{ M}_{\odot} \geq 13.25 \text{ km}$$



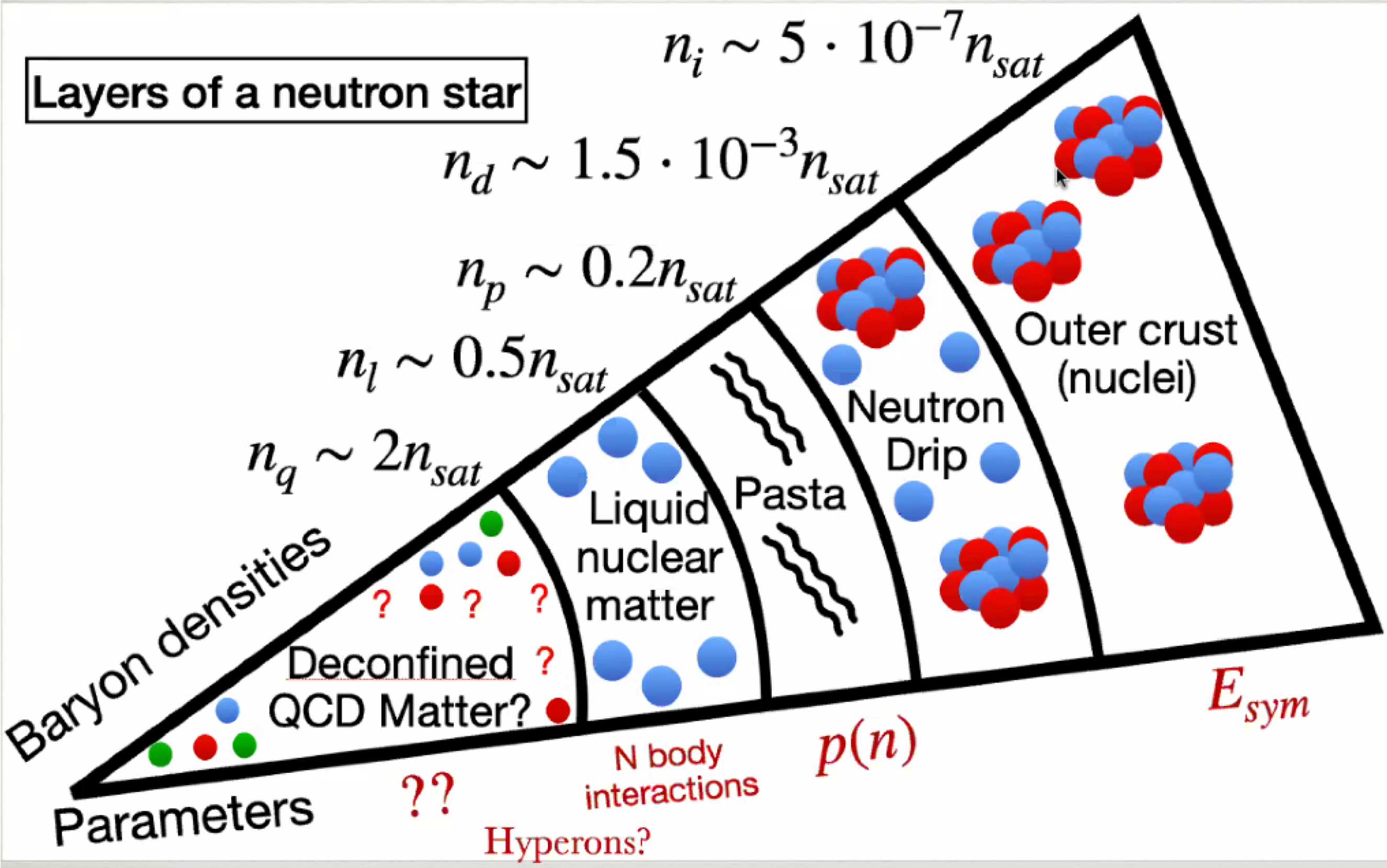
$$0.21 \lesssim R_{\text{skin}} (\text{fm}) \lesssim 0.31,$$

$$13.25 \lesssim R_{1.4}^{1.4} (\text{km}) \lesssim 14.26,$$

$$642 \lesssim \Lambda_{1.4}^{1.4} \lesssim 955.$$

Moreover, a precise knowledge of the EOS of the crust is needed to minimize possible systematic uncertainties

Layers of a neutron star

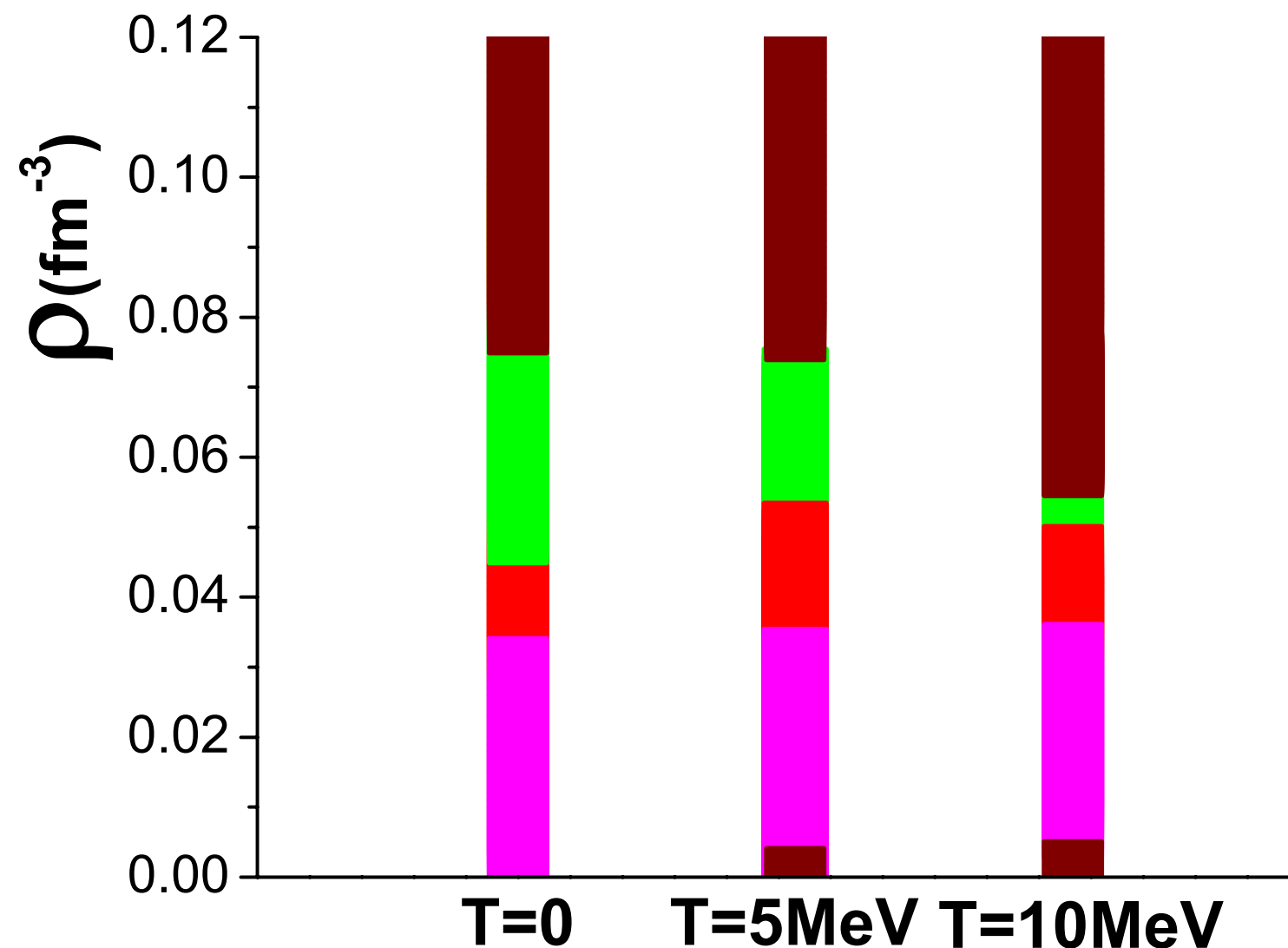
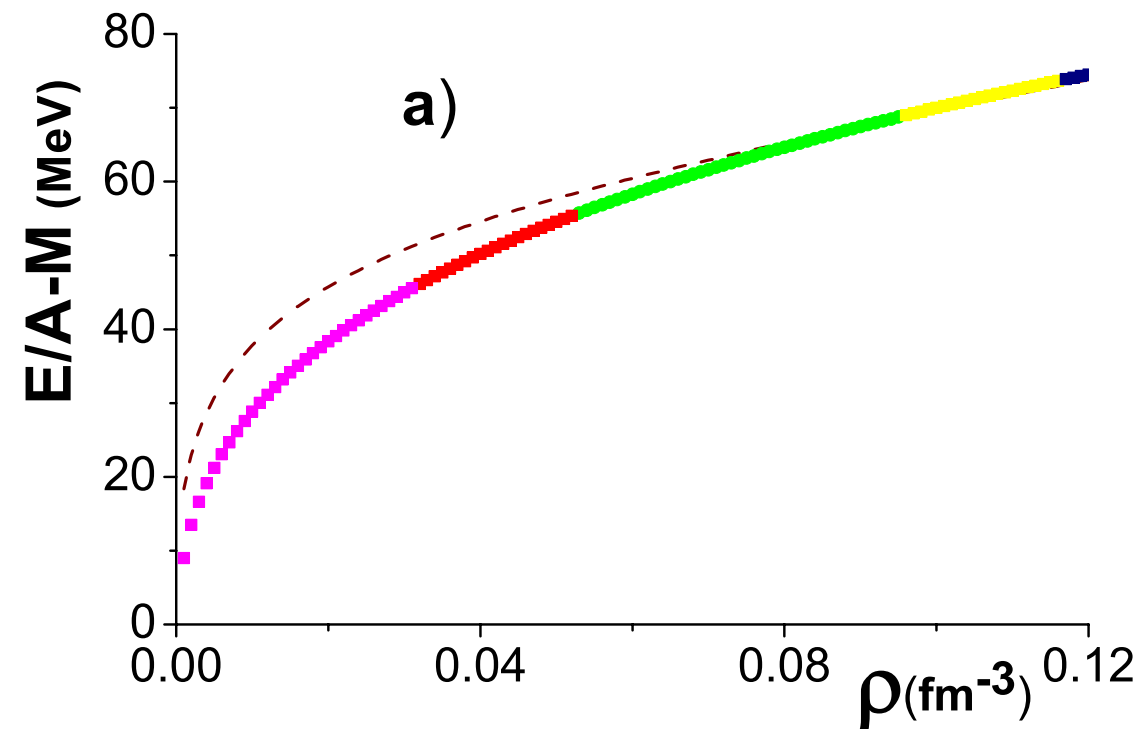


Pasta phase (inner crust)

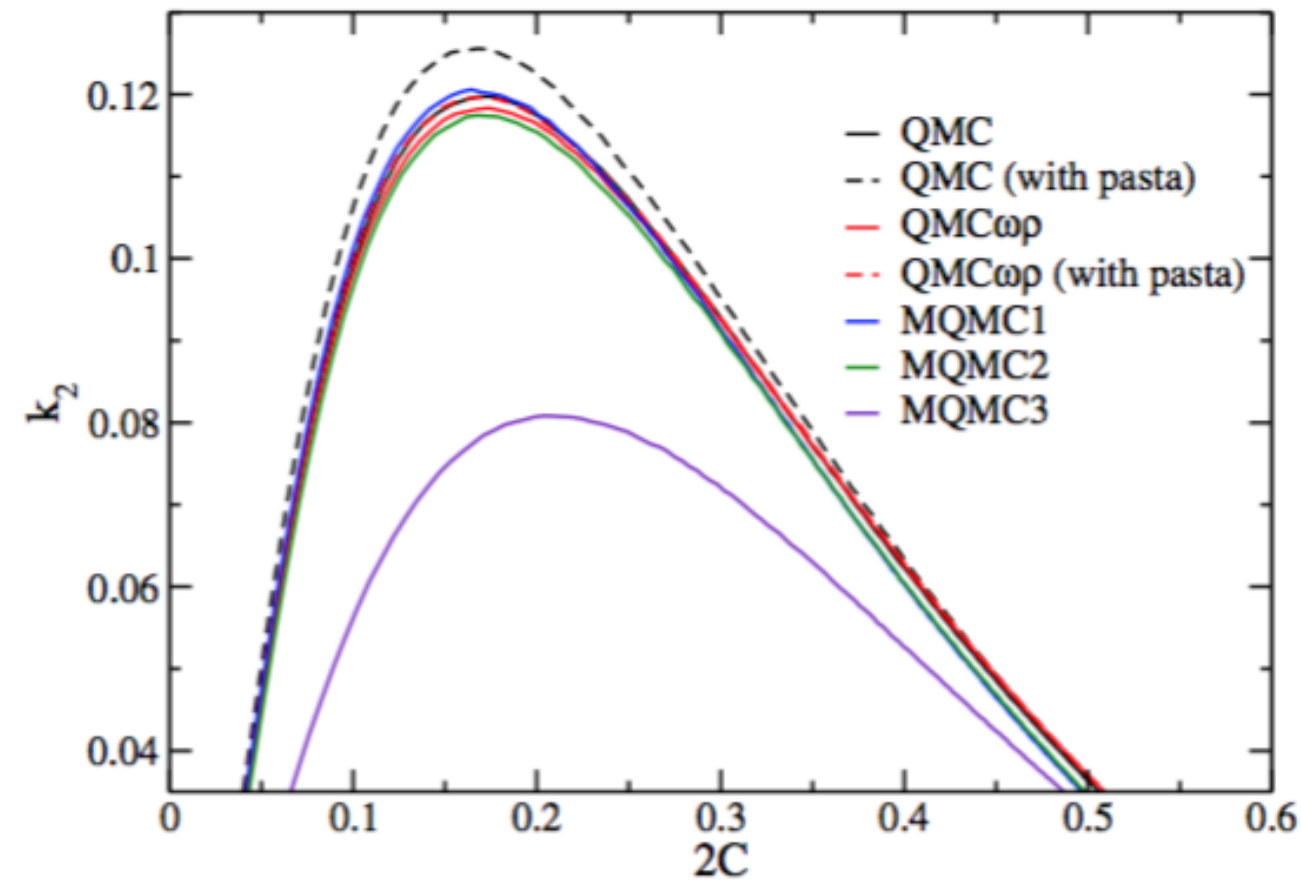
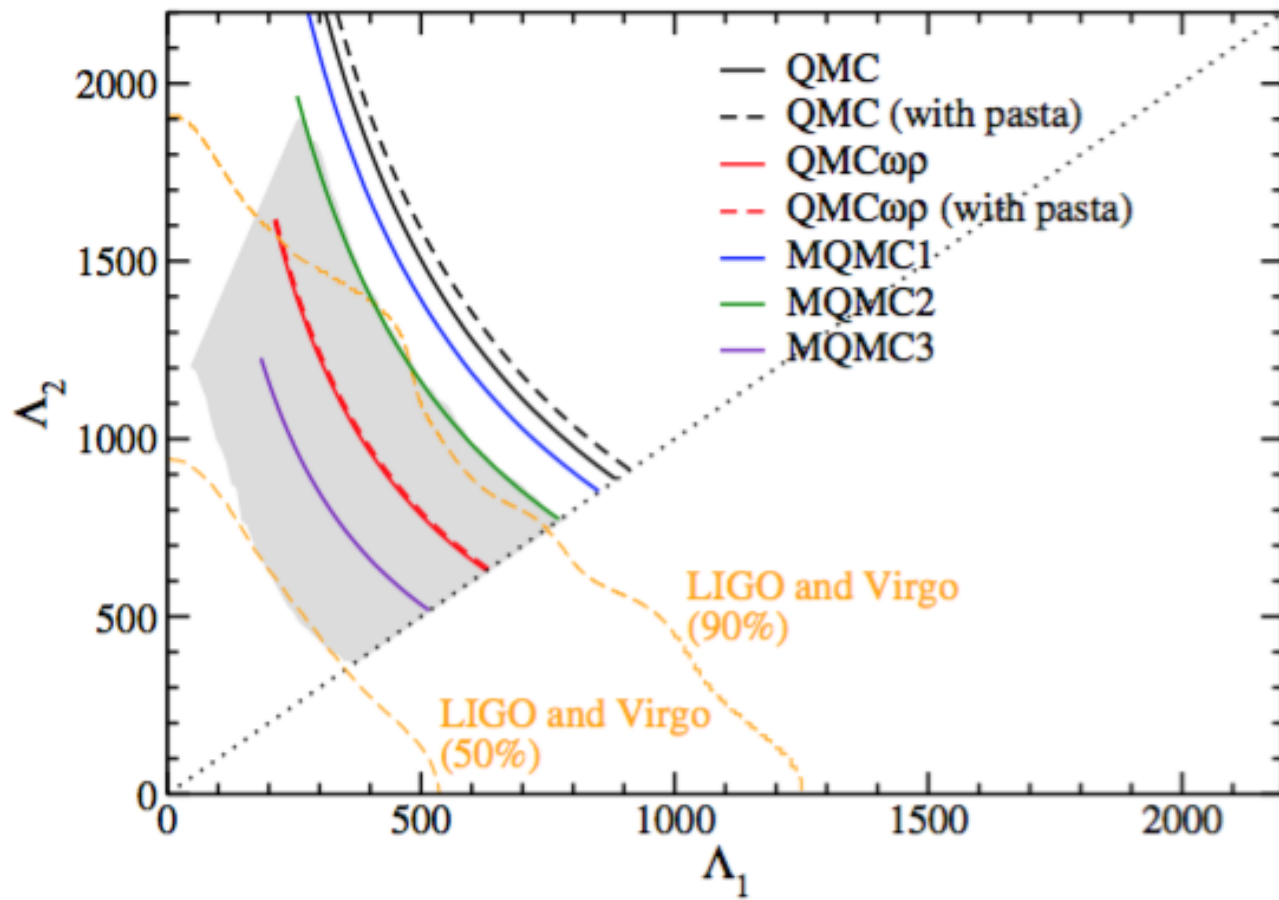
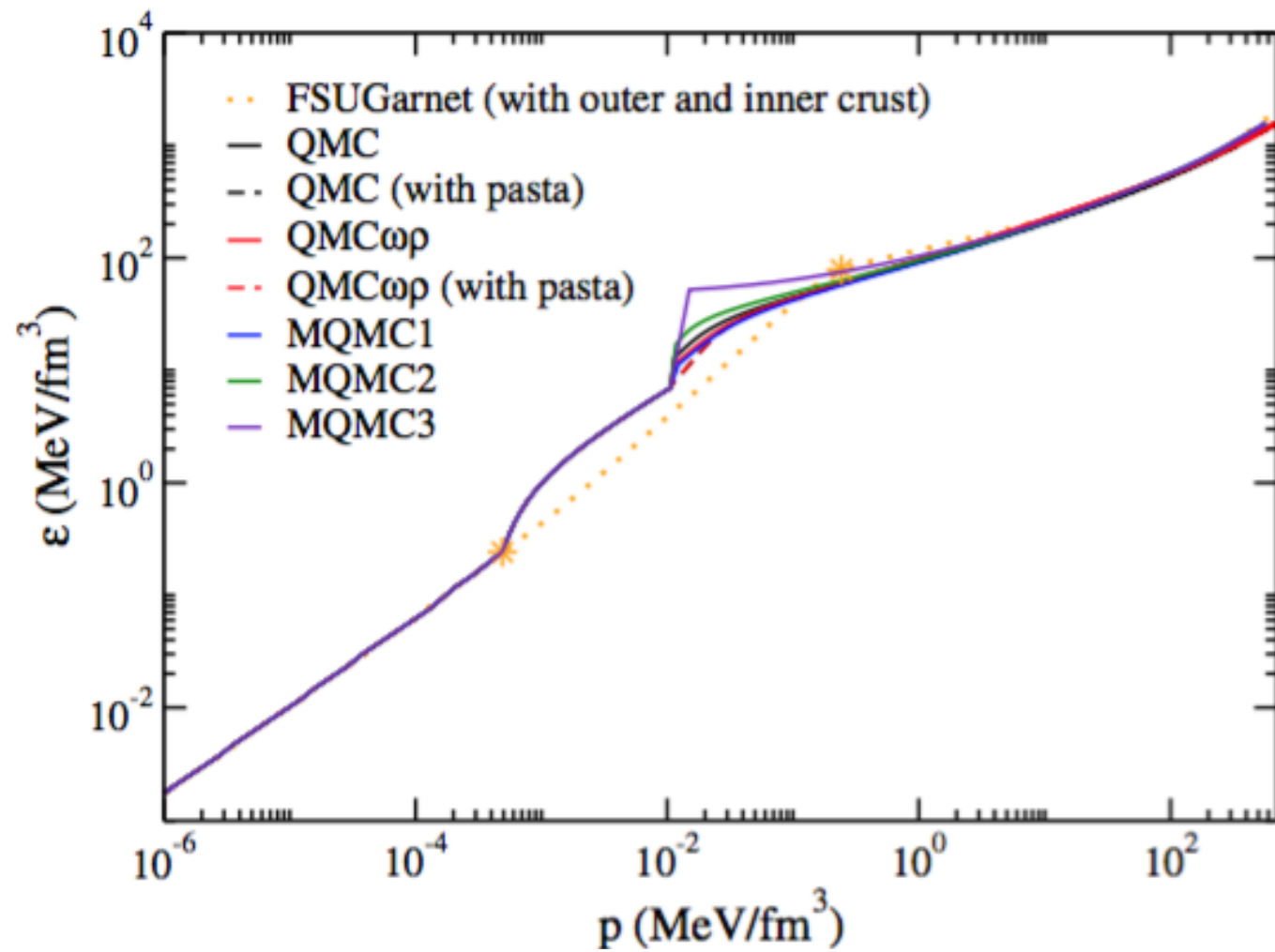
It is the result of a **frustrated** system. Normally the short and large distance scales related to the nuclear and Coulomb interactions are well separated so that nucleons bind into nuclei but at very low densities, these length scales are comparable and a variety of complex structures exist: **droplet** (meatball, 3D), **rod** (spaghetti, 2D), lasagna (**slab**, 1D), penne (**tube**, 2D), Swiss cheese (**bubble**, 3D).



The pasta phase is the ground state configuration if its free energy is lower than the corresponding homogeneous phase.



Effects of the inner (pasta) and outer (BPS) crusts



O. Lourenço, C. Lenzi, M. Dutra,
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DPM, Chinese Phys. C 45,025101
(2021); arXiv 1905. 07308

But the **pasta phase can indeed be important:**

shear and bulk viscosities (transport equations);

electrical + thermal conductivities (magnetic evolution of NS);

quasi-periodic oscillations (observed in SGR);

**Our previous approximation was poor
(no fluctuations, one geometry at each density)**

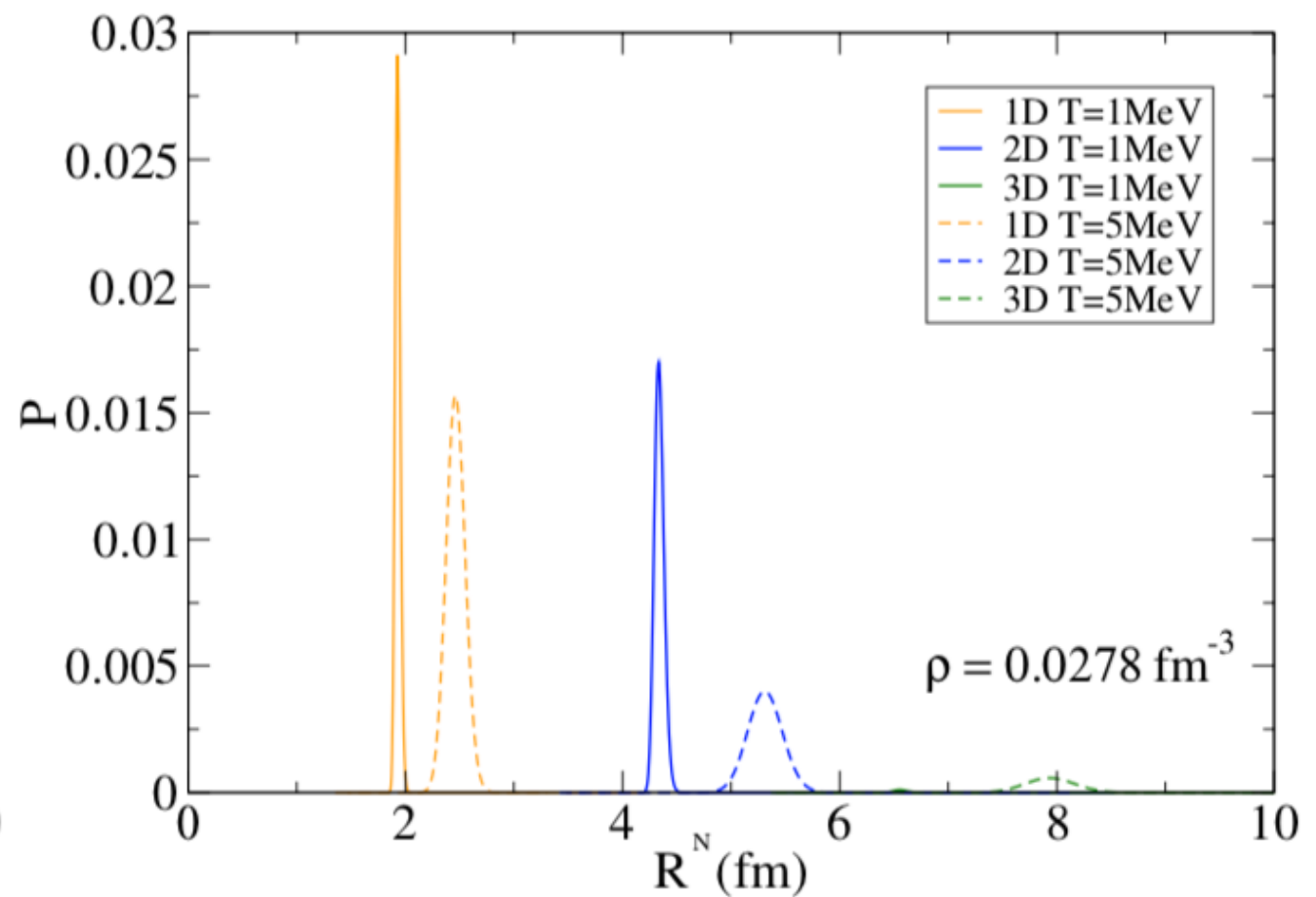
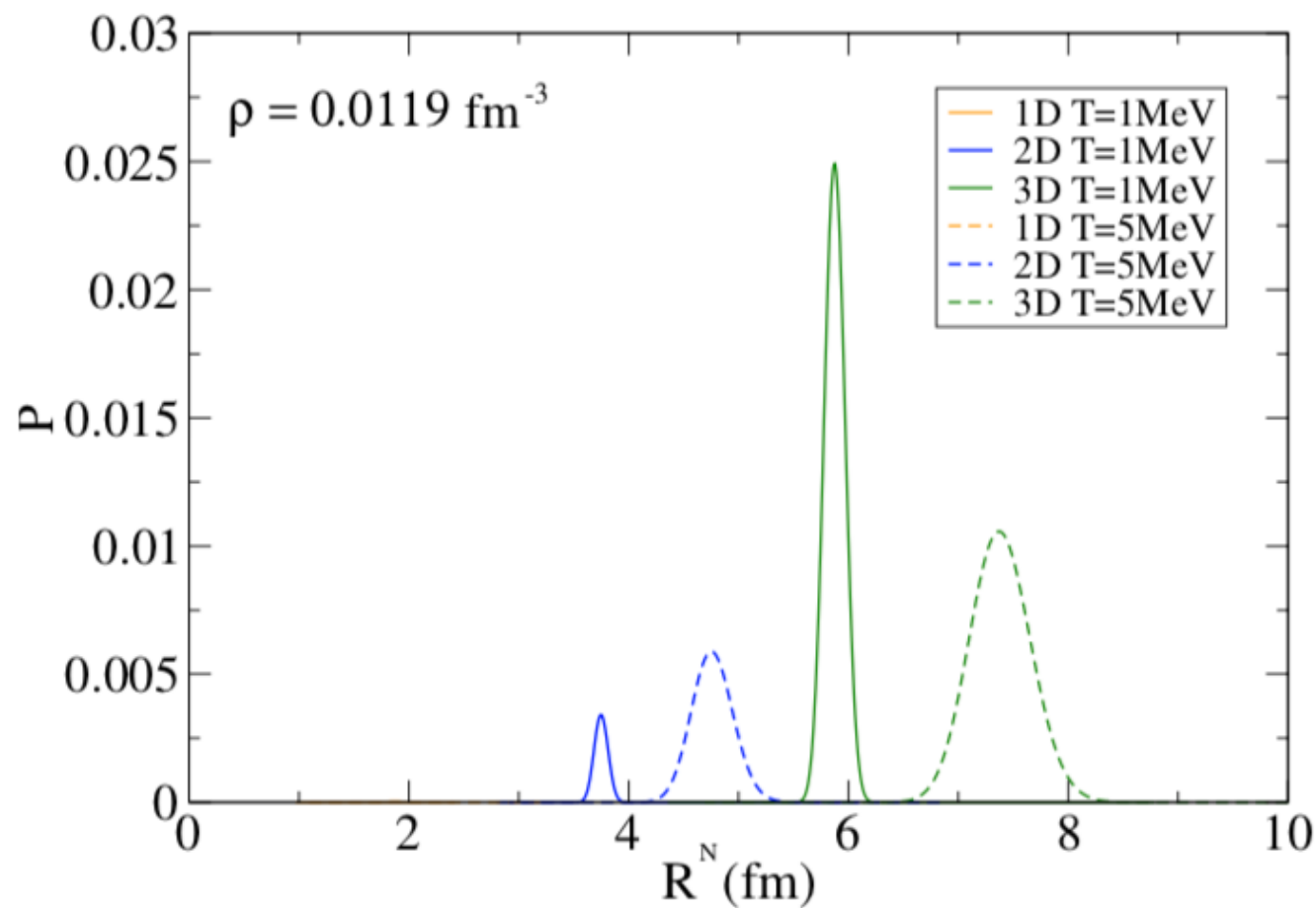
**Fluctuations are confirmed in numerical simulations;
MDS is computationally very expensive**

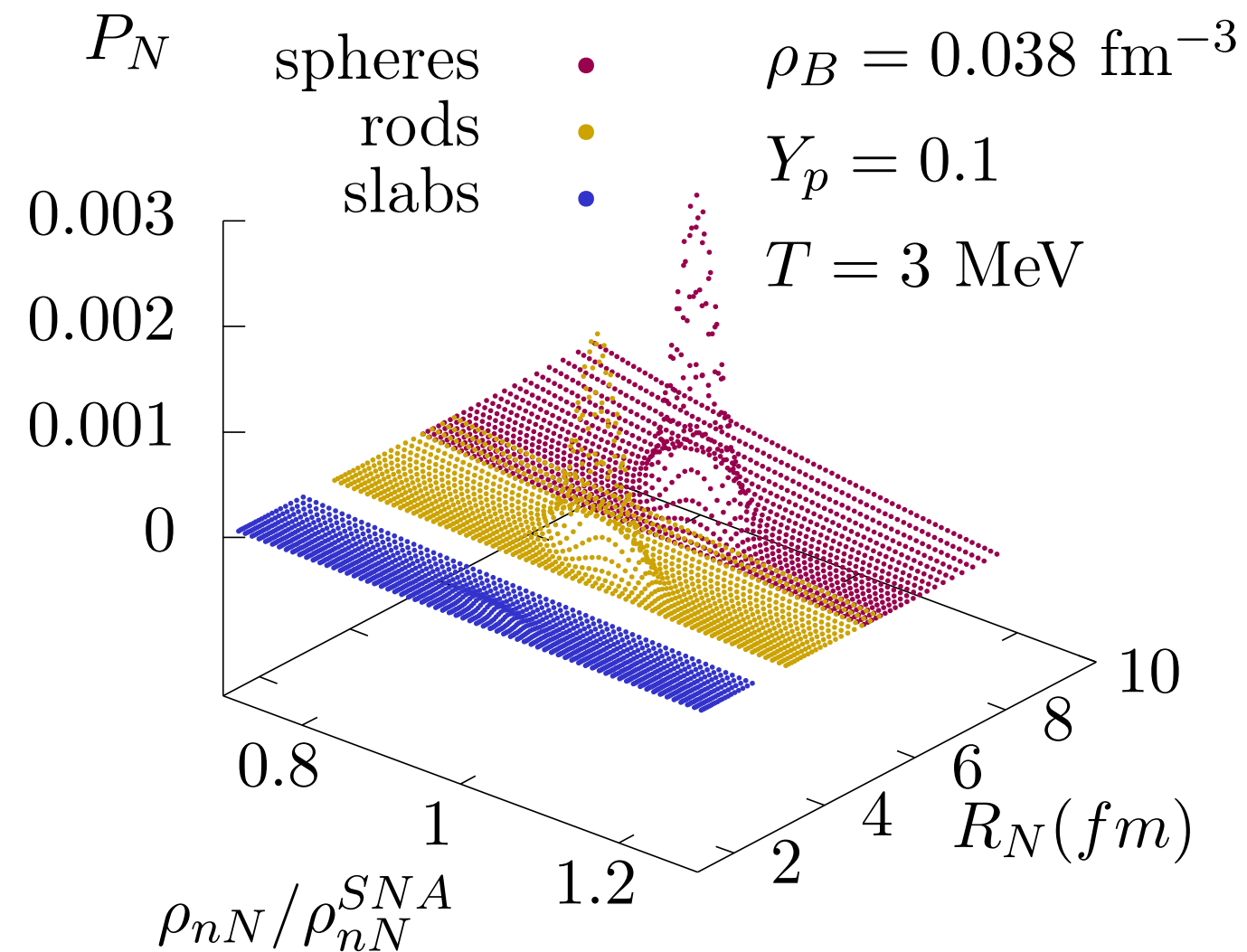
**A.S.Schneider, M.E.Caplan, D.K.Berry, C.J.Horowitz,
Phys. Rev. C 98, 055801 (2018)**

$$\tilde{\Omega}_D(A^N) = \tilde{F}_D(A^N) - \mu^N$$

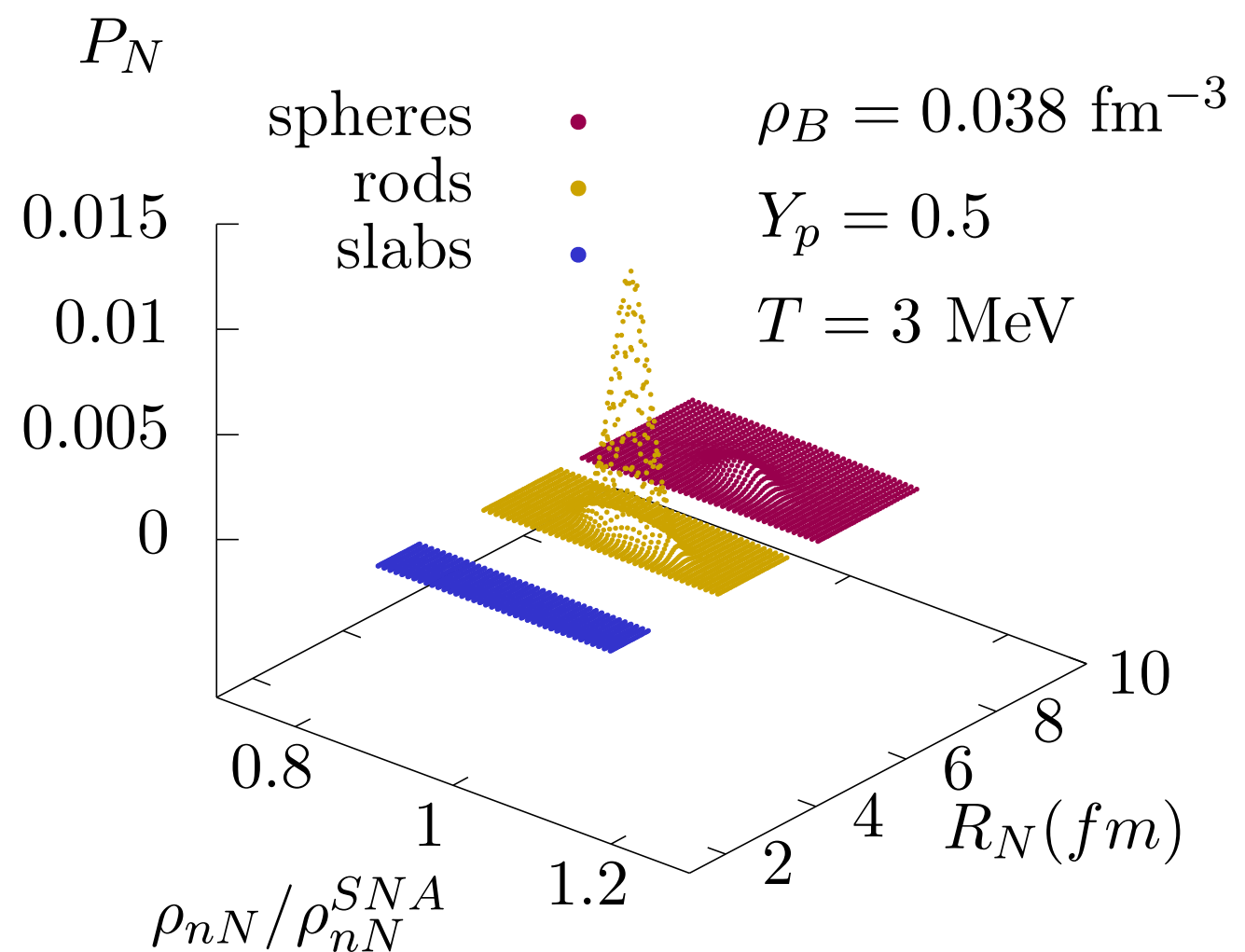
$$P_D(A^N) = \frac{\exp(-\beta \tilde{\Omega}_D(A^N))}{\sum_D \sum_A \exp(-\beta \tilde{\Omega}_D(A))}$$

$$P^N = \sum_D P_D(A^N)$$





Mateus R. Pelicer, DPM,
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Phys. Rev. C 104, L022801 (2021)
arXiv: 2105.03318



Can NS be described by **quark matter ?**

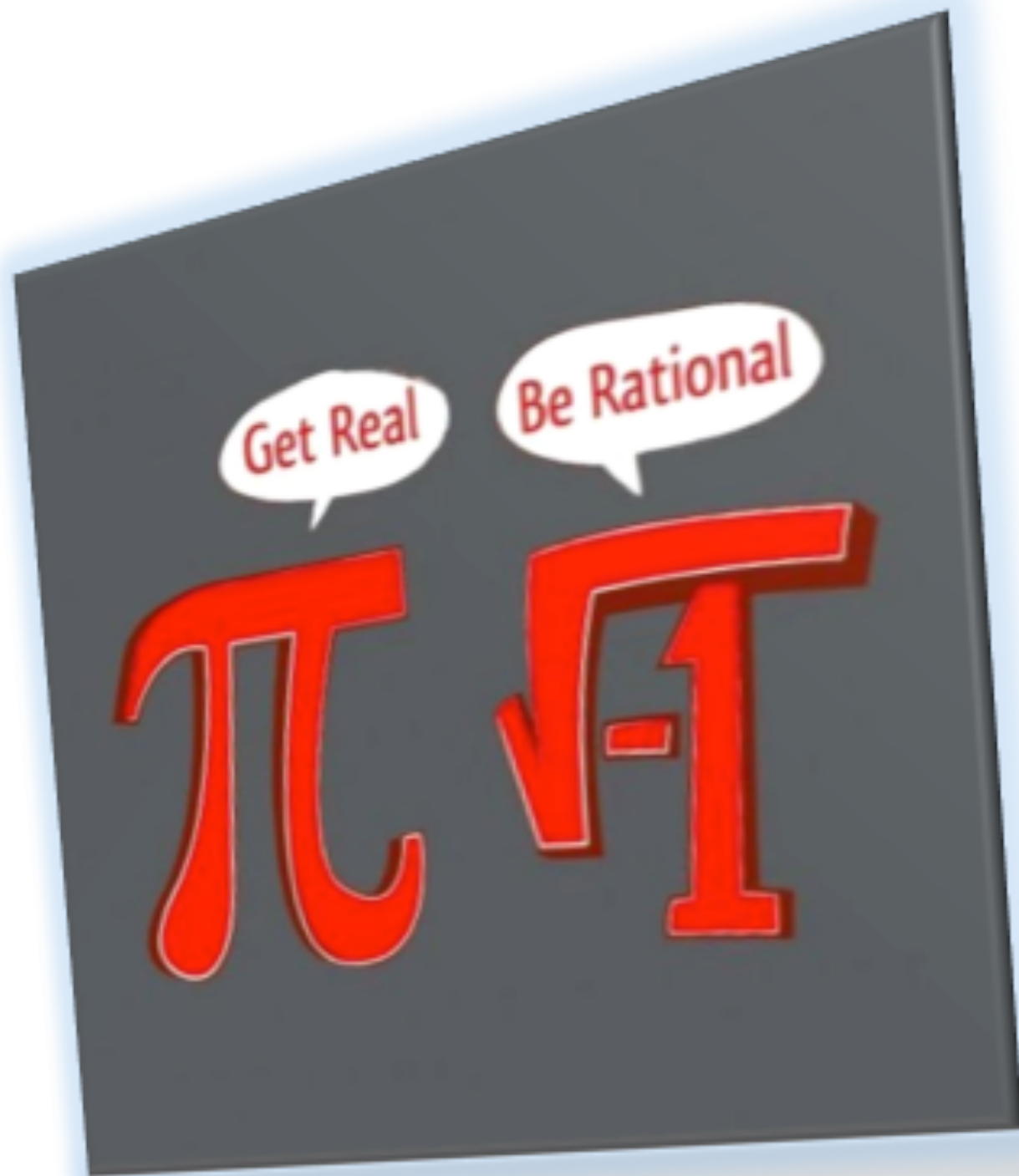
Are there hybrid stars ?

Astrophysical constraints:

Maximum mass > 2 solar masses

GW170817 - tidal polarisability and the Love number

**radius of canonical stars : uncertain...
(PREX2, GWs)**



Thank you !