

Compact stars made of holographic QCD matter

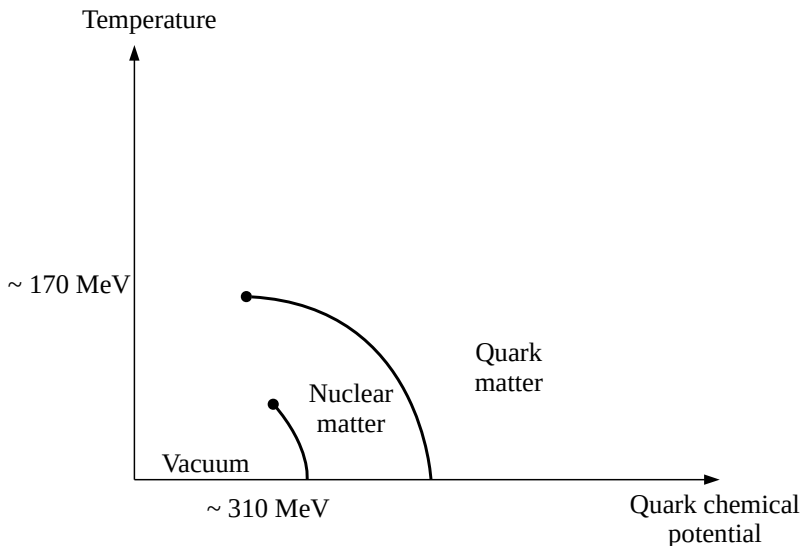
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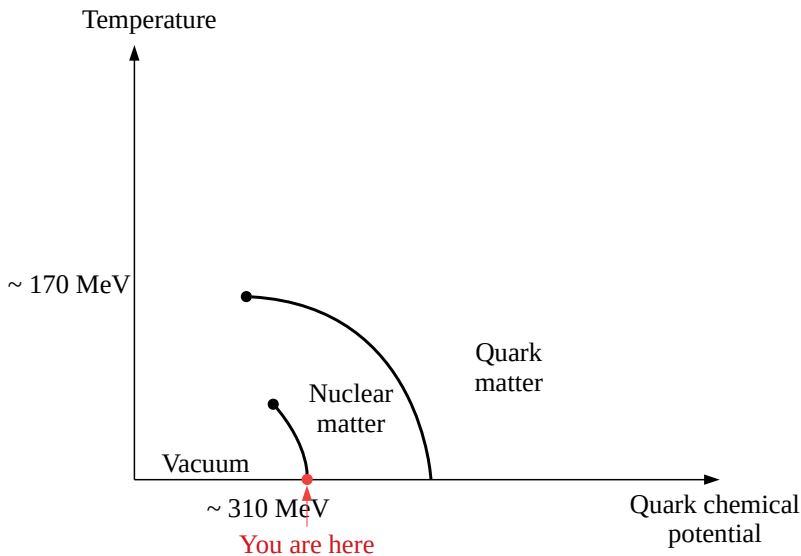
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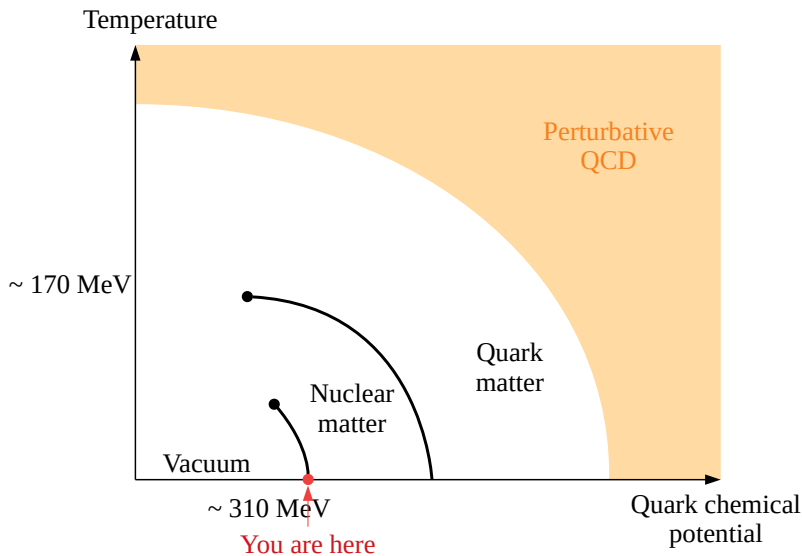
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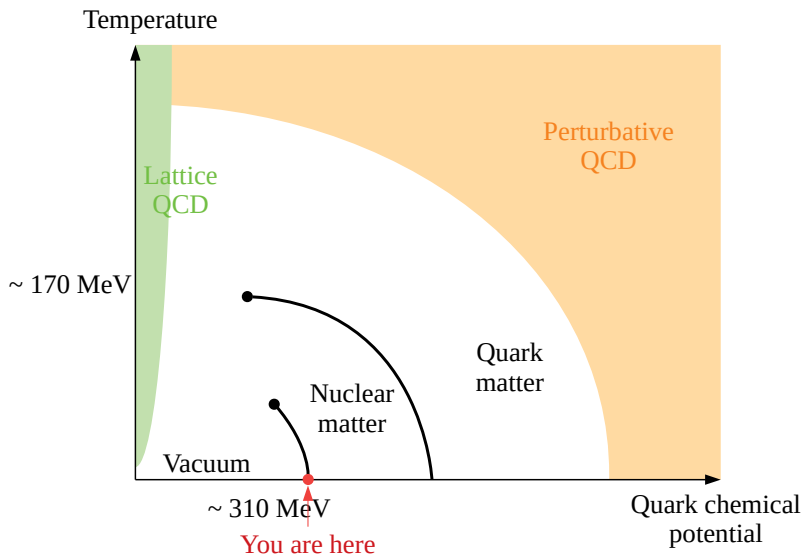
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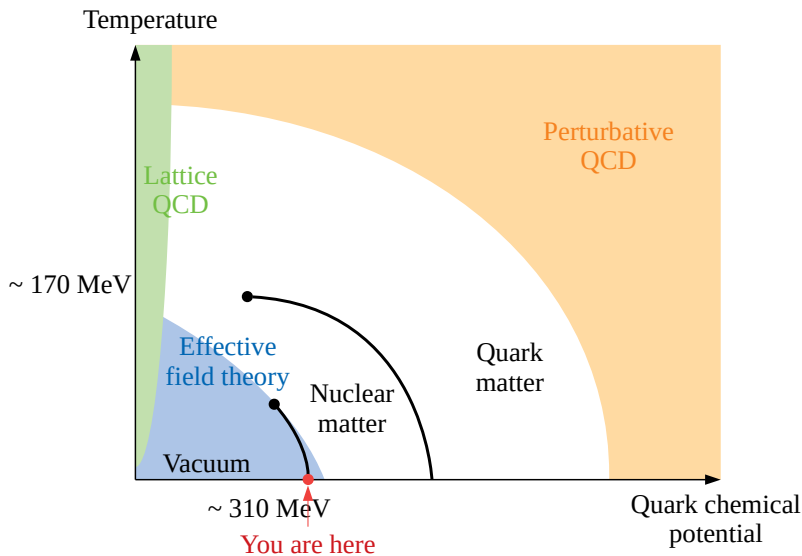
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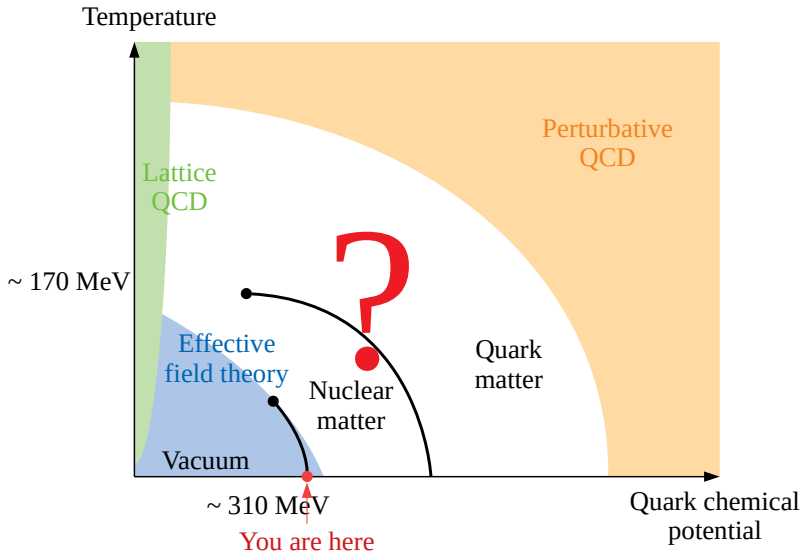
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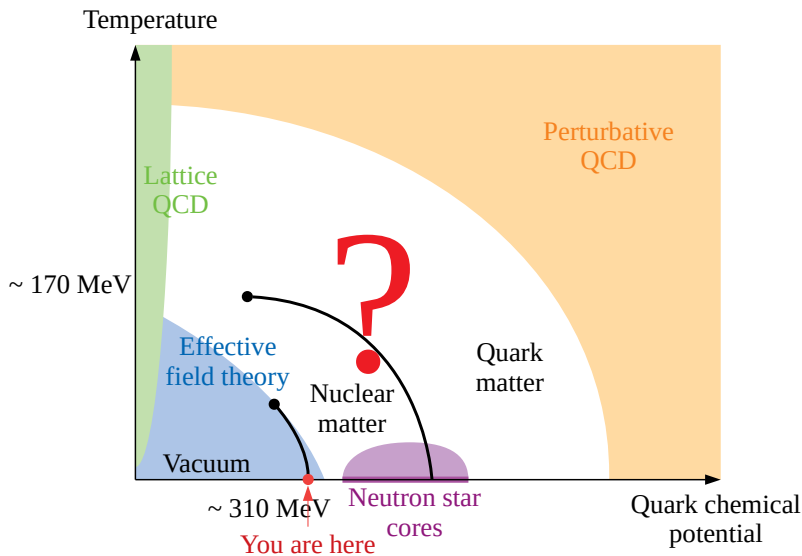
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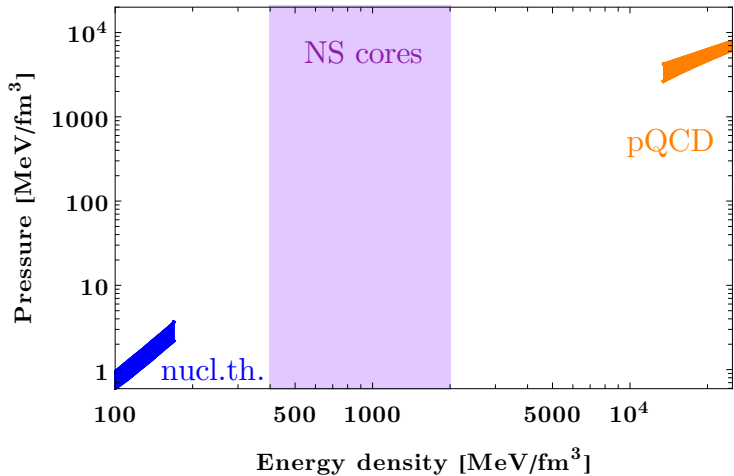
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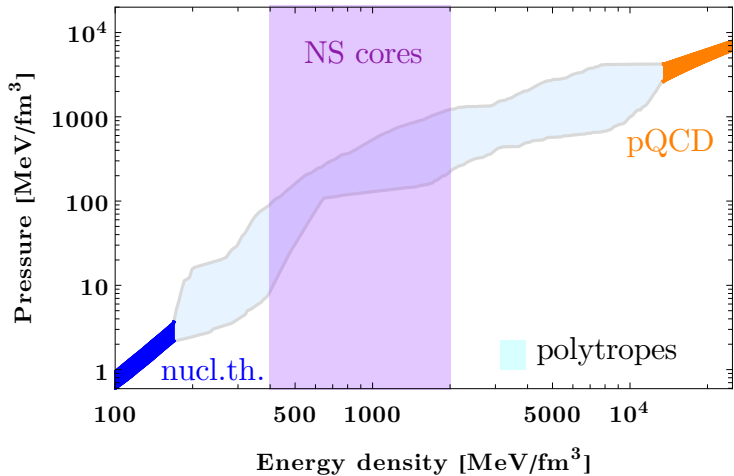
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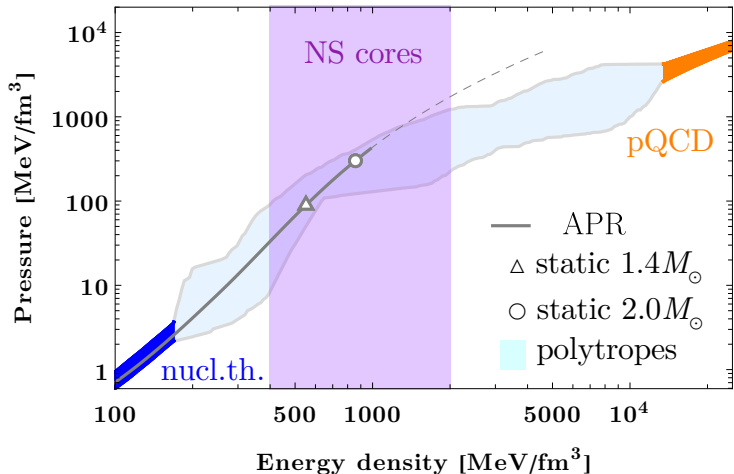
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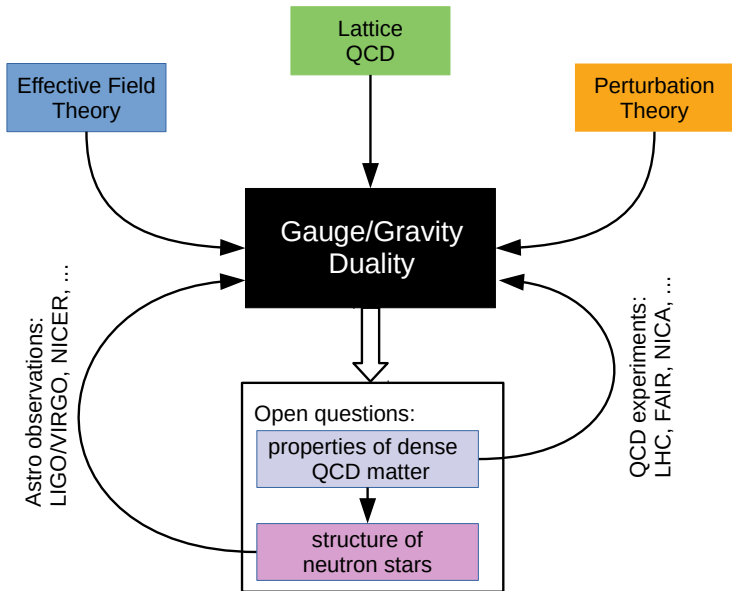


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Gauge/Gravity Duality

- ▶ Mathematical relation between gauge theories and higher dimensional gravity theories found in string theory.
- ▶ Strong-weak duality: if gauge theory is strongly coupled then gravity theory is weakly coupled and vice versa.
- ▶ Observables in a strongly coupled field theory (hard) can be obtained from a classical gravity calculation (easy).

Gravity Side	Gauge Theory Side
on-shell action S_{grav}	free energy f
black hole area $\mathcal{A}$	thermal entropy S_{th}
surface gravity at horizon κ	temperature T
metric near boundary $g_{\mu\nu}^{(4)}$	stress tensor $\langle T^{\mu\nu} \rangle$, p , ϵ
gauge field A_μ	global sym. current $\langle J^\mu \rangle$, μ
...	...

- ▶ Gravity dual of QCD is not known. Bottom-up approach: construct a gravity model that mimics the relevant features of QCD.

Holographic Veneziano QCD

Gluons: Improved holographic QCD (Einstein-dilaton gravity)

$$S_g = N_c^2 M^3 \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{4}{3} \frac{(\partial\lambda)^2}{\lambda^2} + V_g(\lambda) \right]$$

$\lambda \equiv e^\phi \leftrightarrow \text{Tr} F^2$ sources the 't Hooft coupling in YM theory

[Gürsoy, Kiritsis arXiv:0707.1324; Gürsoy, Kiritsis, Nitti arXiv:0707.1349]

Quarks: Tachyonic Dirac-Born-Infeld (DBI) action

$$S_f = -N_f N_c M^3 \int d^5x V_{f0}(\lambda) e^{-\tau^2} \sqrt{-\det [g_{ab} + \kappa(\lambda) \partial_a \tau \partial_b \tau + w(\lambda) F_{ab}]}$$
$$F_{rt} = \Phi'(r), \quad \Phi(0) = \mu,$$

tachyon $\tau \leftrightarrow \bar{q}q$ controls chiral symmetry breaking.

[Bigazzi et al. arXiv:0505140; Casero et al. arXiv:0702155]

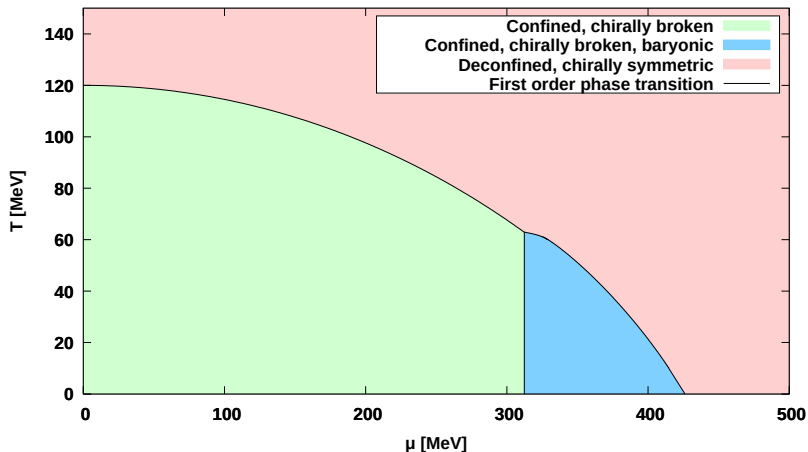
Baryons: homogeneous solution of non-Abelian DBI + Cern-Simons action.

[Ishii, Järvinen, Nijs arXiv:1903.06169]

Veneziano limit: $N_c \rightarrow \infty$ and $N_f \rightarrow \infty$ with $N_f/N_c = x$ fixed

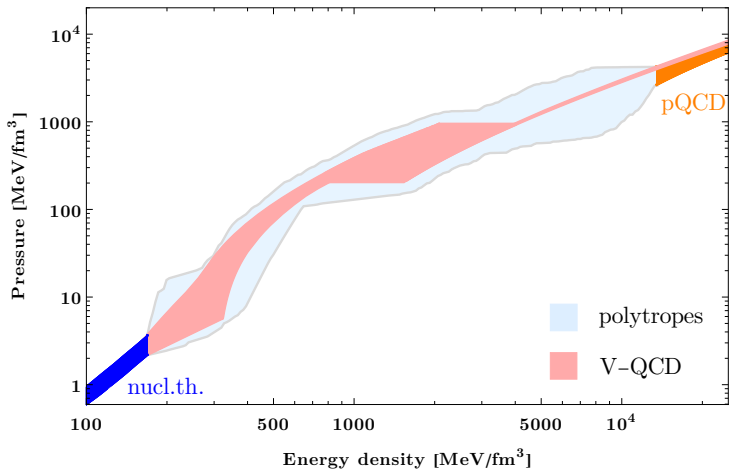
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Phase Diagram

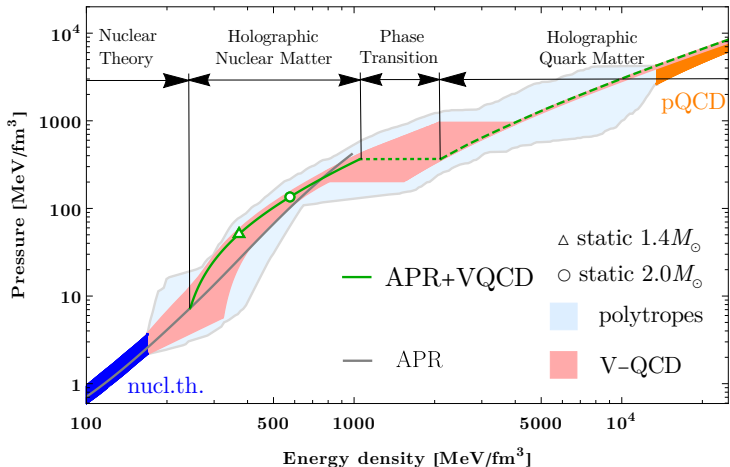


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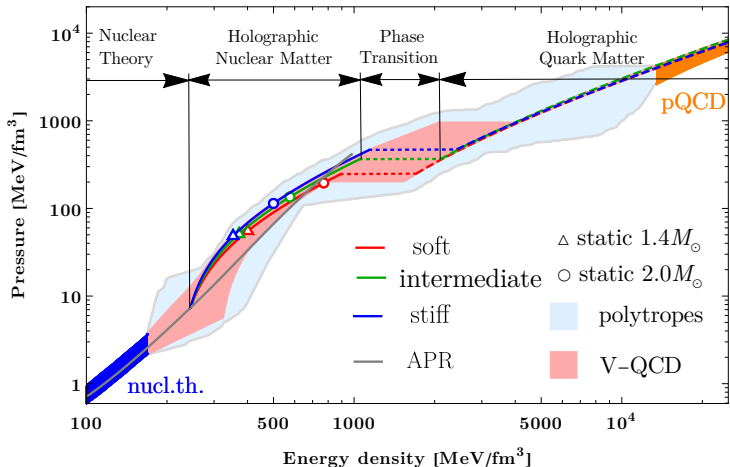
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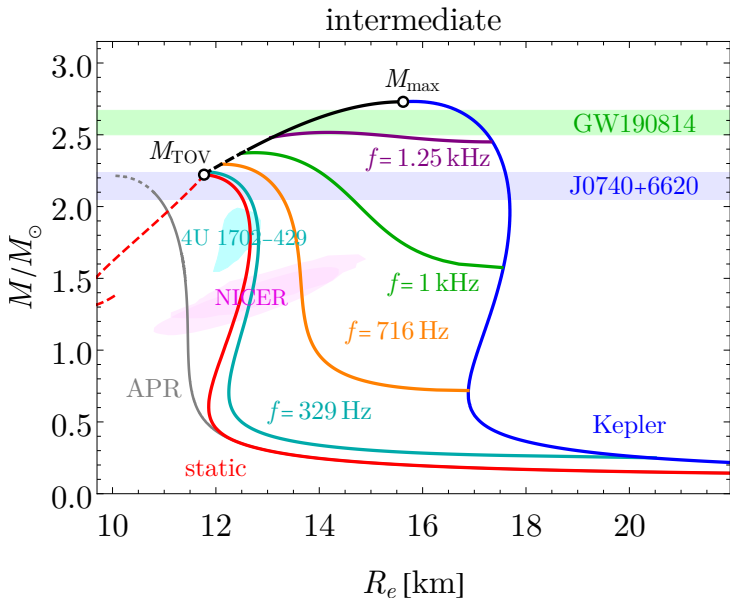
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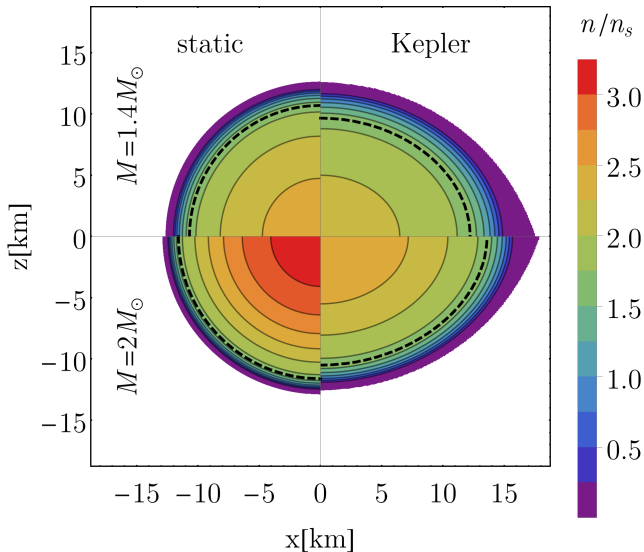
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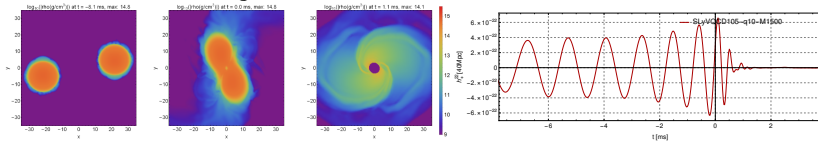
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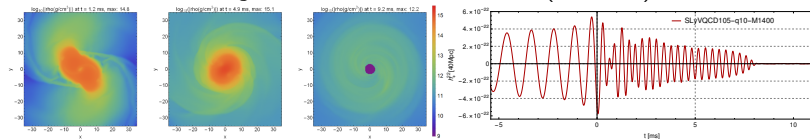
$$M = 1.4 M_\odot: R_{\text{match}}/R_e = 0.85, \quad M = 2 M_\odot: R_{\text{match}}/R_e = 0.90$$

Merger Dynamics and Waveforms

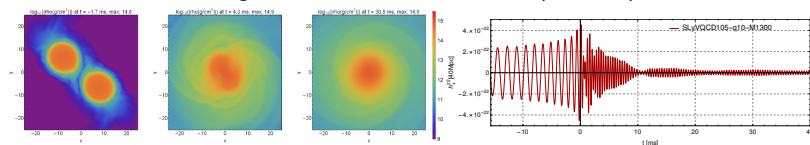
- $M = 1.5 + 1.5M_{\odot}$: Prompt collapse to BH with dilute matter torus.



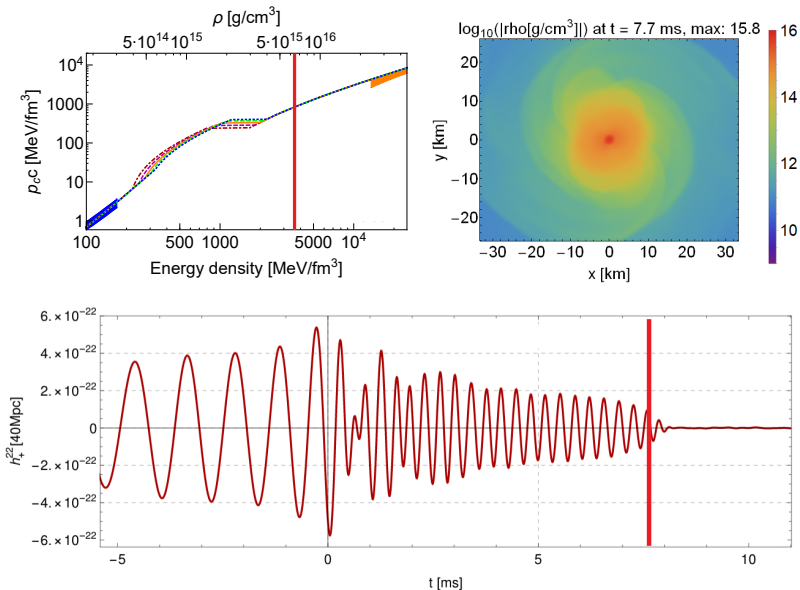
- $M = 1.4 + 1.4M_{\odot}$: Formation of a short lived (≈ 7.8 ms) HMNS.



- $M = 1.3 + 1.3M_{\odot}$: Formation of a long lived (> 40 ms) SMNS.

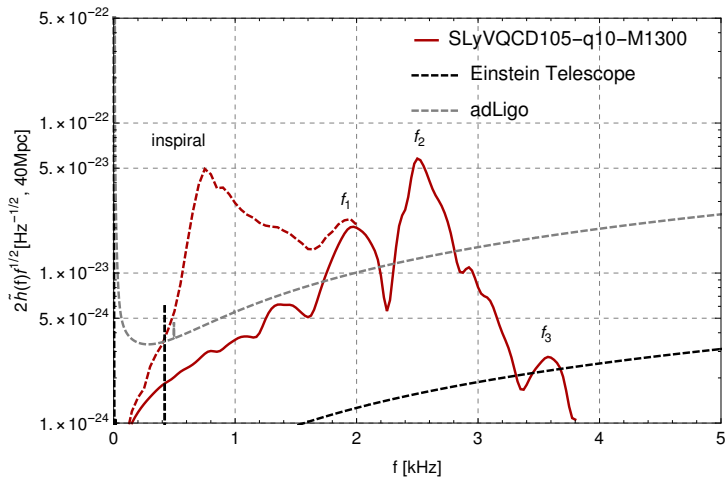


Phase Transition Induced Collapse

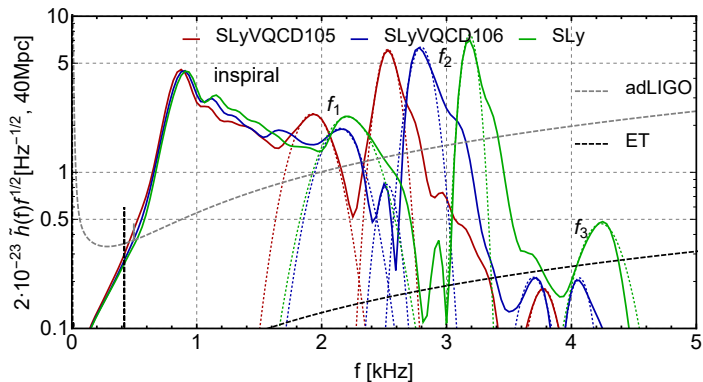


Power Spectral Density

$$\tilde{h}(f) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{|\tilde{h}_+(f)|^2 + |\tilde{h}_\times(f)|^2}{2}}, \quad \tilde{h}_{+,\times}(f) \equiv \int h_{+,\times}^{22}(t) e^{-i2\pi ft} dt$$



EoS dependence of the Power Spectral Density



EoS	$\Lambda_{1.4}$	f_1 [kHz]	f_2 [kHz]	f_3 [kHz]
SLyVQCD105	550	1.93	2.53	3.77
SLyVQCD106	410	2.15	2.80	3.70 (4.06)
SLy	300	2.21	3.19	4.24

Summary & Prospect

- ▶ Gauge/gravity duality is used to build hybrid equations of state that satisfy known theoretical and observational constraints.
- ▶ Non-perturbative: deconfinement phase transition within one model.
- ▶ Strong first order PT: V-QCD disfavors stable quark matter cores.
- ▶ Slightly higher $\frac{M_{\max}}{M_{\text{TOV}}}$ than nuclear matter models without PT:

$$\left. \frac{M_{\max}}{M_{\text{TOV}}} \right|_{\text{V-QCD}} = 1.227^{+0.031}_{-0.016} \quad \text{vs.} \quad \left. \frac{M_{\max}}{M_{\text{TOV}}} \right|_{\text{nucl.}} = 1.203^{+0.022}_{-0.022}$$

[Breu, Rezzolla arXiv:1601.06083]

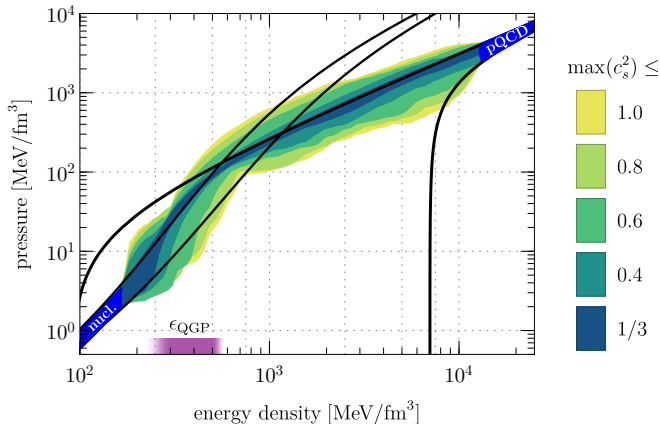
- ▶ **Work in progress:** holographic baryons at finite T by matching hadron resonance gas + finite volume corrections.
- ▶ **Future:** improve (e.g. finite quark masses, CSC phases, etc.) and constrain (GWs, lattice QCD, FAIR, etc.) the V-QCD model.
- ▶ **Useful side product:** transport coefficients (viscosities, susceptibilities, resistivities, etc.)

[Hoyos, Jokela, Järvinen, Subils, Tarrío arXiv:2005.14205]

Backup

Constraints from Theory

- ▶ By causality the speed of sound has to satisfy: $c_s^2 = \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial \epsilon}\right)_s < 1$.
- ▶ QCD is asymptotically free at large densities: $c_s^2 \rightarrow 1/3$.



[Annala, Gorda, Kurkela, Nättilä, Vuorinen arXiv:1903.09121]

Constraints from Astrophysical Observations

- ▶ NS-white dwarf binary PSR J0348+0432 (MSP J0740+6620)

$$M_{\max} > 2.01^{+0.04}_{-0.04} (2.14^{+0.1}_{-0.09}) M_{\odot}.$$

[Antoniadis et al. [arXiv:1304.6875](#), (Cromartie et al. [arXiv:1904.06759](#))]

- ▶ LIGO/Virgo: constraints on tidal deformability from GW170817

$$\Lambda_{1.4} = 190^{+390}_{-120}, \quad \text{where} \quad \Lambda_M = \frac{2}{3} k_2 \left(c^2 R / (G M) \right)^5$$

[LIGO/Virgo: [arXiv:1710.05832](#), [arXiv:1805.11579](#), [arXiv:1805.11581](#)]

- ▶ NICER: constrain on radius of PSR J0030+0451 ($f \approx 205\text{Hz}$)

$$M = 1.34^{+0.15}_{-0.16} (1.44^{+0.15}_{-0.14}) M_{\odot}, \quad R = 12.71^{+1.14}_{-1.19} (13.02^{+1.24}_{-1.06}) \text{km}$$

[Riley et al. [arXiv:1912.05702](#), (Miller et al. [arXiv:1912.05705](#))]

- ▶ From X-ray bursts of accreting neutron star 4U1702-429

$$M = 1.9^{+0.3}_{-0.3} M_{\odot}, \quad R = 12.4^{+0.4}_{-0.4} \text{km}$$

[Nättilä et al. [arXiv:1709.09120](#)]

V-QCD without baryons (I)

Consider first the non-baryonic V-QCD action, whose solutions will serve as background for the probe baryons

$$S_{V\text{-QCD}}^{(0)} = S_{\text{glue}} + S_{\text{DBI}}^{(0)}.$$

The gluon part is given by the IHQCD (dilaton gravity) action

$$S_{\text{glue}} = N_c^2 M^3 \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{4}{3} \frac{(\partial\lambda)^2}{\lambda^2} + V_g(\lambda) \right],$$

where $\lambda \equiv e^\phi \leftrightarrow \text{Tr} F^2$ ($\approx g^2 N_c$ near the boundary) sources the 't Hooft coupling in YM theory, the dilaton potential is chosen¹ to mimic QCD

$$V_g(\lambda) = 12 \left[1 + V_1 \lambda + \frac{V_2 \lambda^2}{1 + \lambda/\lambda_0} + V_{\text{IR}} e^{-\lambda_0/\lambda} (\lambda/\lambda_0)^{4/3} \sqrt{\log(1 + \lambda/\lambda_0)} \right].$$

Finite T is implemented by homogeneous+isotropic black brane metric

$$ds^2 = e^{2A(r)} (-f(r) dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + f^{-1}(r) dr^2).$$

¹E.g. V_1 and V_2 are fixed by requiring the UV RG flow of the 't Hooft coupling to be the same as in QCD up to two-loop order.

V-QCD without baryons (II)

The flavor part is modelled by the tachyonic DBI-action²

$$S_{\text{DBI}}^{(0)} = -N_f N_c M^3 \int d^5x \, V_{f0}(\lambda) e^{-\tau^2} \sqrt{-\det [g_{ab} + \kappa(\lambda) \partial_a \tau \partial_b \tau + w(\lambda) F_{ab}]},$$
$$F_{rt} = \Phi'(r), \quad \Phi(0) = \mu,$$

where the tachyon $\tau \leftrightarrow \bar{q}q$ controls chiral symmetry breaking.

Several potentials: $\{V_g(\lambda), V_{f0}(\lambda), w(\lambda), \kappa(\lambda)\}$, chosen to match pQCD in UV ($\lambda \rightarrow 0$), qualitative agreement with QCD in IR ($\lambda \rightarrow \infty$) and tuned to lattice QCD in the middle ($\lambda \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$).

[For details see Appendix B of Ishii, Järvinen, Nijs arXiv:1903.06169]

Different solutions:

without/with horizon $\leftrightarrow$ confined/deconfined phase

without/with tachyon $\leftrightarrow$ chirally symmetric/chirally broken phase

²Without baryons we have a vectorial flavor singlet gauge field $A^{(L/R)} = \mathbb{I}_f \Phi(r) dt$ giving nonzero charge density and chemical potential.

Probe baryons in V-QCD

Each baryon maps to a solitonic “instanton” configuration of non-Abelian gauge fields in the bulk.

[Witten; Gross, Ooguri; ...]

Consider the full non-Abelian brane action $S = S_{\text{DBI}} + S_{\text{CS}}$ where

[Bigazzi, Casero, Cotrone, Kiritsis, Paredes; Casero, Kiritsis, Paredes]

$$S_{\text{DBI}} = -\frac{1}{2} M^3 N_c \mathbb{T}r \int d^5x V_{f0}(\lambda) e^{-\tau^2} \left(\sqrt{-\det A^{(L)}} + \sqrt{-\det A^{(R)}} \right),$$

$$A_{MN}^{(L/R)} = g_{MN} + \delta_M^r \delta_N^r \kappa(\lambda) \tau'(r)^2 + \delta_{MN}^{rt} w(\lambda) \Phi'(r) + w(\lambda) F_{MN}^{(L/R)}$$

gives the dynamics of the solitons.

The Cern-Simons term sources the baryon number for the solitons

$$S_{\text{CS}} = \frac{N_c}{8\pi^2} \int \Phi(r) e^{-b\tau^2} dt \wedge \left(F^{(L)} \wedge F^{(L)} - F^{(R)} \wedge F^{(R)} + \dots \right).$$

Non-Abelian DBI action only known to first few orders in $F^{(L/R)}$: expand to second order on top of solution $(g_{MN}, \Phi, \lambda, \tau)$ obtained from $S_{V-QCD}^{(0)}$.

Homogeneous Baryon Ansatz

Set $N_f = 2$ and consider the SU(2) Ansatz

[Rozali, Shieh, Van Raamsdonk, Wu]

$$A_L^i = -A_R^i = h(r)\sigma^i$$

Immediate consequence: baryon charge integrates to zero?

$$N_b \propto \int dr \frac{d}{dr} \left[e^{-b\tau^2} h^3 (1 - 2b\tau^2) \right] \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

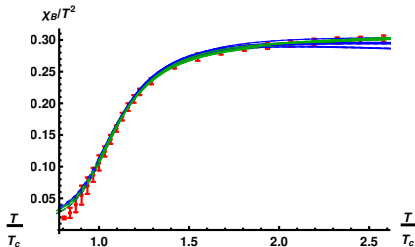
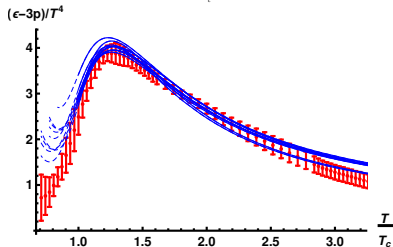
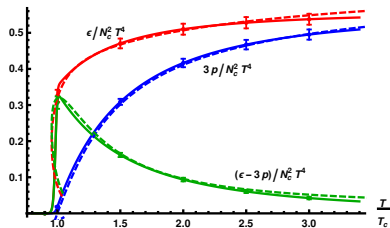
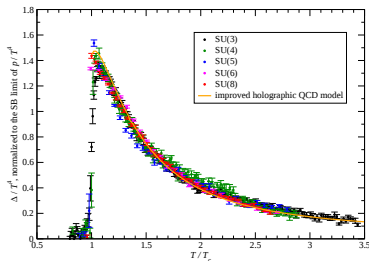
However finite baryon number may can be realized by discontinuity of h
 $\leftrightarrow$ smeared solitons in singular gauge.

[Ishii, Järvinen, Nijs, arXiv:1903.06169]

The free parameter b of the model is used to tune the baryon onset to its physical value in QCD.

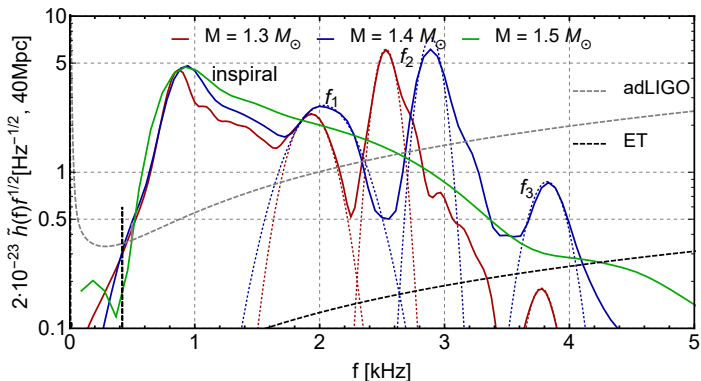
Matching to Lattice QCD

Trace of the energy-momentum tensor



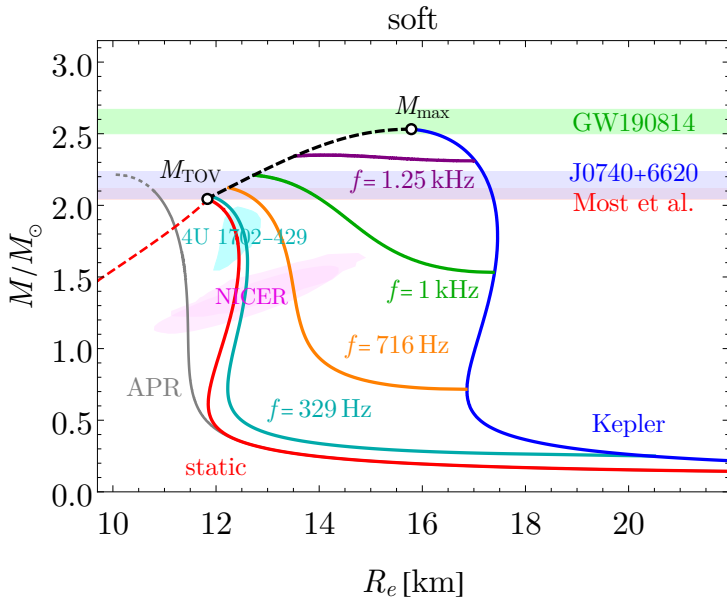
[Panero arXiv:0907.3719; Jokela, Järvinen, Remes arXiv:1809.07770]

Mass dependence of the Power Spectral Density

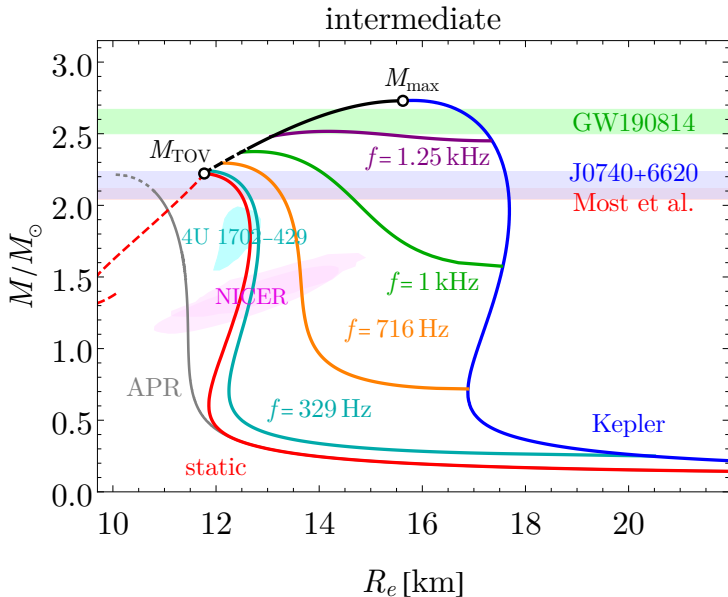


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1.30	SLyVQCD105	10.5	1.93	2.53	3.77
1.35	SLyVQCD105	10.5	1.95	2.60	3.53 (3.90)
1.40	SLyVQCD105	10.5	2.03	2.89	3.82
1.50	SLyVQCD105	10.5	—	—	—

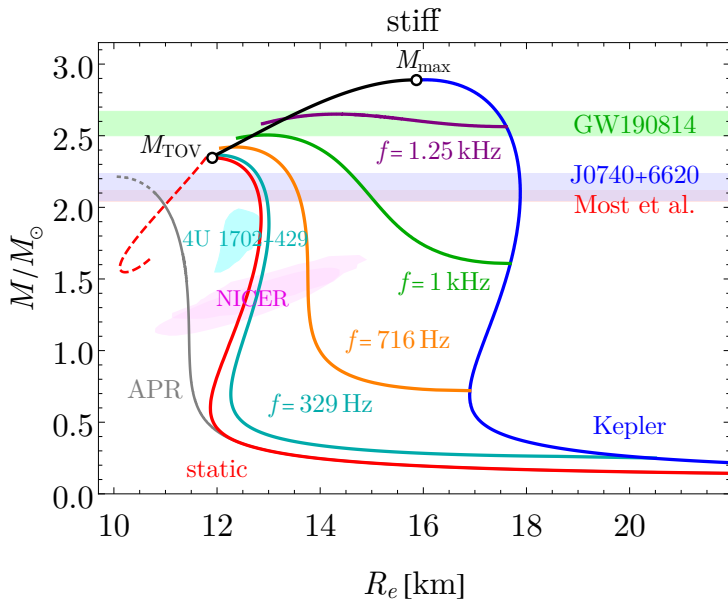
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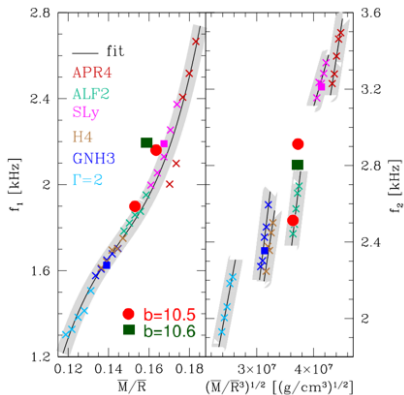
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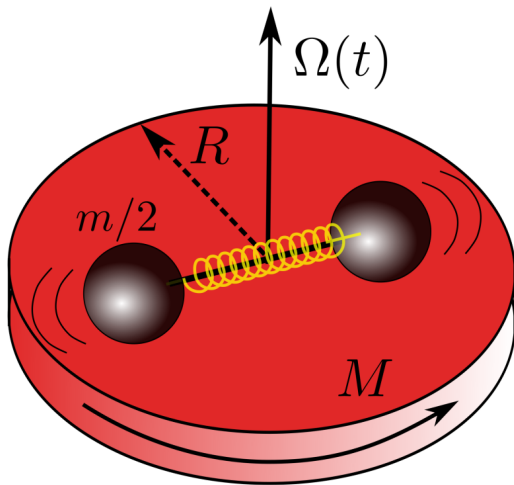


Universality



[plot from Takami, Rezzolla, Baiotti arXiv:1403.5672]

Mechanical Toy Model

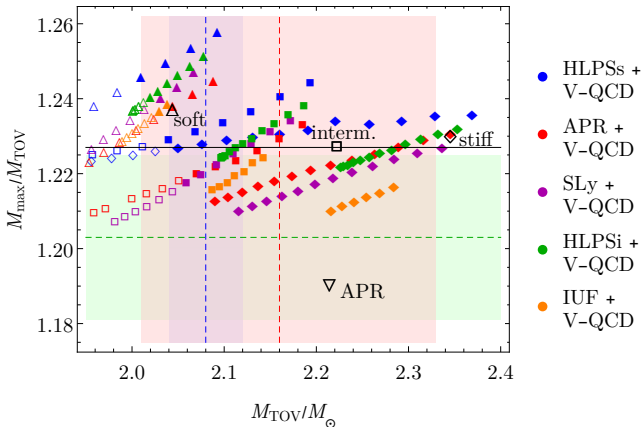


[Takami, Rezzolla, Baiotti arXiv:1412.3240]

Maximum Mass

Using a large number of viable V-QCD hybrids with phase transition gives

$$\frac{M_{\max}}{M_{\text{TOV}}} = 1.227^{+0.031}_{-0.016}, \quad \text{Max}(M_{\text{TOV}}) \approx 2.4M_{\odot}, \quad \text{Max}(M_{\max}) \approx 2.9M_{\odot}$$



(red band) Upper bound from GRB 170817A: $M_{\text{TOV}}/M_{\odot} \lesssim 2.16^{+0.17}_{-0.15}$.

[Rezzolla, Most, Weih arXiv:1711.00314]

(blue band) Lower bound assuming NS in GW190814: $M_{\text{TOV}}/M_{\odot} > 2.08^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$.

[Most, Papenfort, Weih, Rezzolla arXiv:2006.14601]

- ▶ Binary merger of a black hole and compact secondary object:

$$m_1 = 23.2^{+1.1}_{-1.0} M_{\odot}, \quad m_2 = 2.59^{+0.08}_{-0.09} M_{\odot}.$$

[The LIGO Scientific Collaboration, the Virgo Collaboration arXiv:2006.12611]

- ▶ Secondary component falls into so-called mass-gap region: either the heaviest NS or the lightest BH ever observed.
- ▶ m_2 is likely too large to be non-rotating, cf. V-QCD: $M_{\text{TOV}}^{\text{max}} \approx 2.4 M_{\odot}$.
- ▶ Does the V-QCD model allow it to be a spinning NS?
- ▶ If this is the case, how fast does it need to rotate?