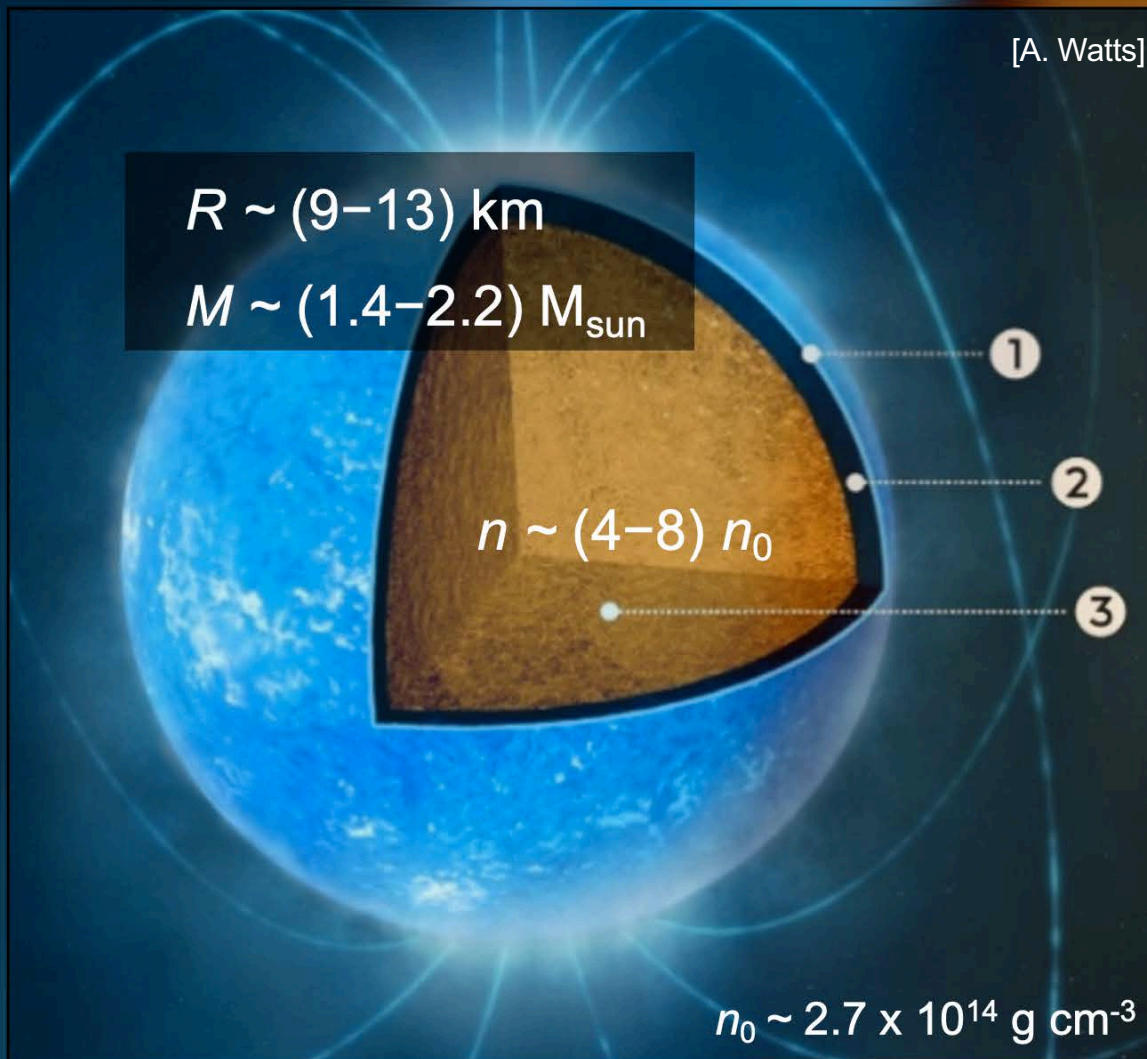


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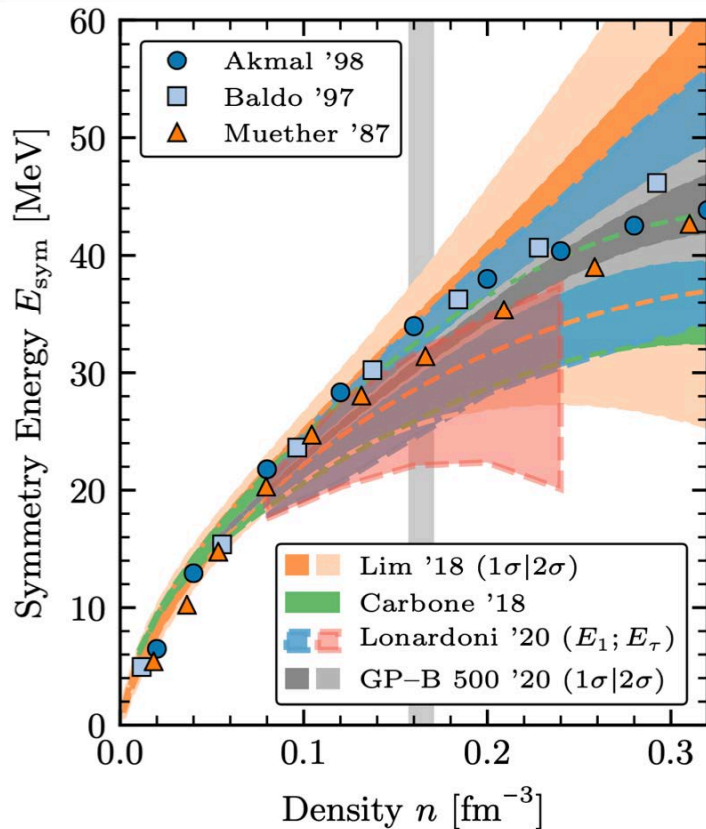
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- + Bayesian UQ
- + **symmetry energy**
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- + nuclear saturation
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Recent review article

CD, Holt, and Wellenhofer, ARNPS 71, 403



Chiral Effective Field Theory and the High-Density Nuclear Equation of State

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see also: Lattimer, *Annu. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci.* **71**, 433

See also:
Burgio, Schulze, Vidaña & Wei,
PPNP **120**, 103879

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chiral effective field theory, nuclear matter, neutron stars, many-body perturbation theory, bayesian uncertainty quantification

Abstract

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Multi-messenger astronomy

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Binary neutron star merger
GW170817

- + Virgo
- + GEO600
- + KAGRA
- + ...

What is the secondary object
in GW190425 and GW190814



$$R_{1.4} \lesssim 13.6 \text{ km}$$

$$M_{\text{max}} \lesssim 2.3 M_{\odot}$$

e.g., see:

Margalit, Metzger, APJ **850**, 19

Rezzolla *et al.*, APJ **852**, L25

De *et al.*, PRL **121**, 091102

Lim and Holt, EPJ A **55**, 209

Capano *et al.*, NA **4**, 625

Al-Mamun *et al.*, PRL **126**, 061101

...

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Recent neutron star observations

NASA

$$R_{2.0} = 12.39^{+1.30}_{-0.98} \text{ km}$$

$$R_{2.0} = 13.70^{+2.6}_{-1.5} \text{ km}$$

Riley *et al.*, arXiv:2105.06980
Miller *et al.*, arXiv:2105.06979

$$R_{1.4} = 12.71^{+1.14}_{-1.19} \text{ km}$$

$$R_{1.4} = 13.02^{+1.24}_{-1.19} \text{ km}$$

Riley *et al.*, APJL **887**, L21
Miller *et al.*, APJL **887**, L24

NICER

+ STROBE-X
+ eXTP
+ ...

see Cole Miller's talk
Neutron Star Measurements with NICER

precise mass measurements

$$M_{\text{max}} \gtrsim 2 M_{\odot}$$

Cromartie *et al.*, Nat. Astron. **4**, 72
Antoniadis *et al.*, Science **340**, 6131
Demorest *et al.*, Nature **467**, 1081

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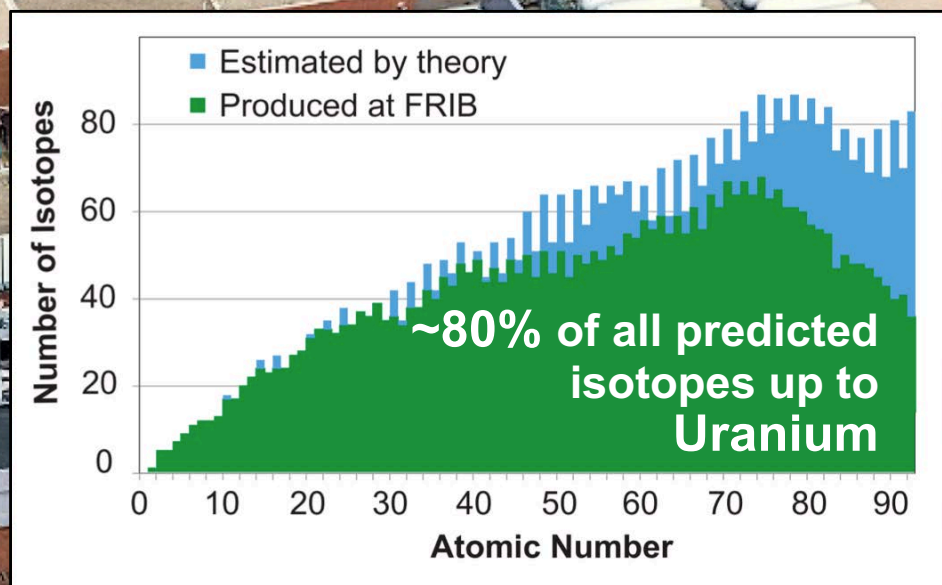
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Nuclear experiments: neutron-rich nuclei, collisions...

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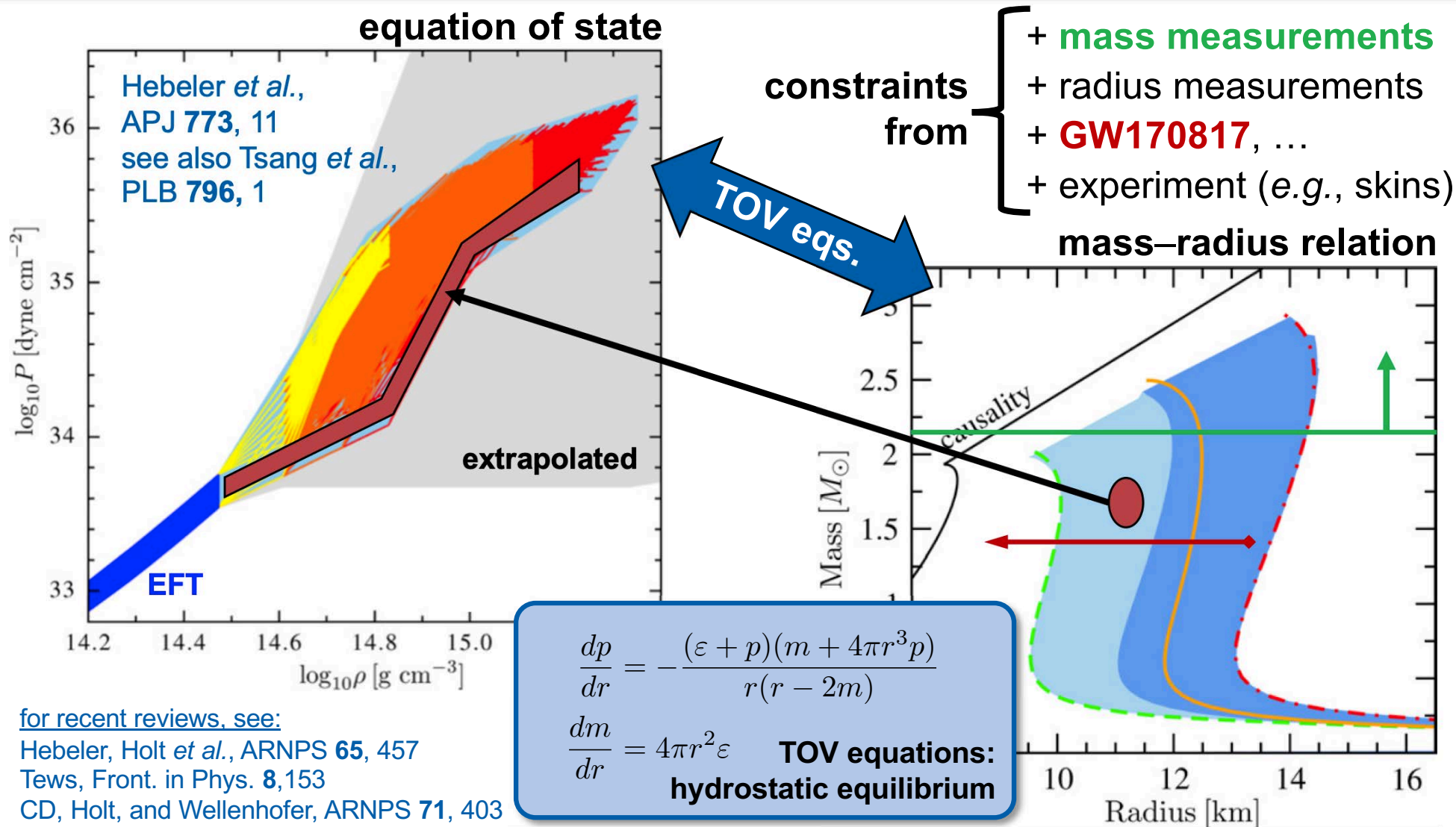


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+ RHIC
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Gade, Sherrill, Phys. Scripta **91**, 053003
Balantekin, Carlson *et. al.*, Mod. Phys. Lett. A **29**, 1430010

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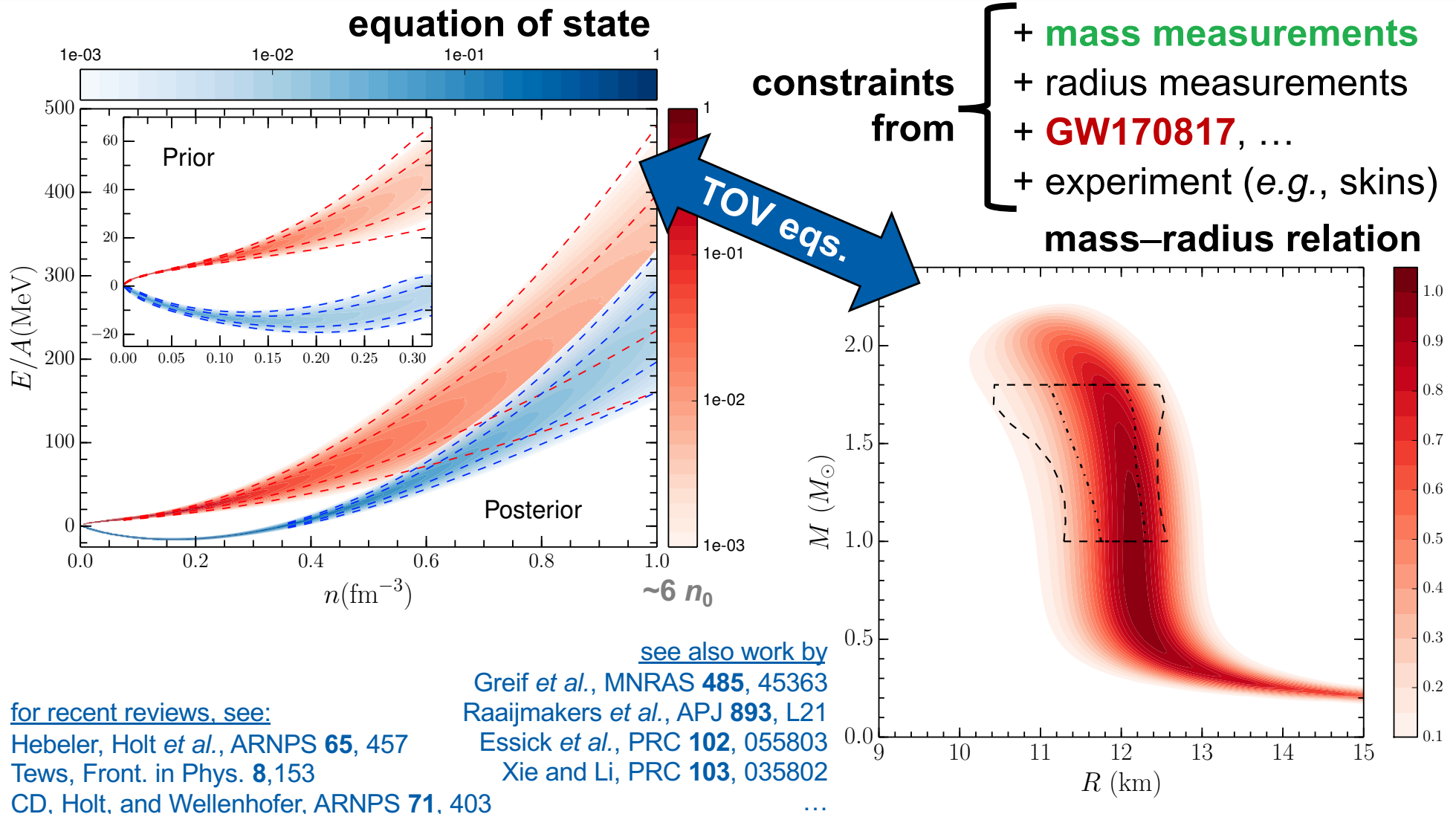
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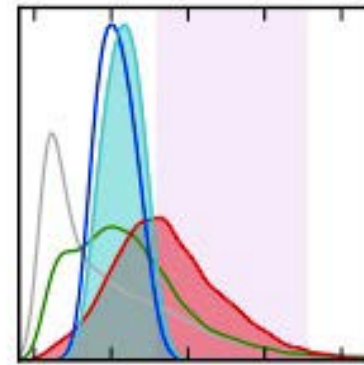
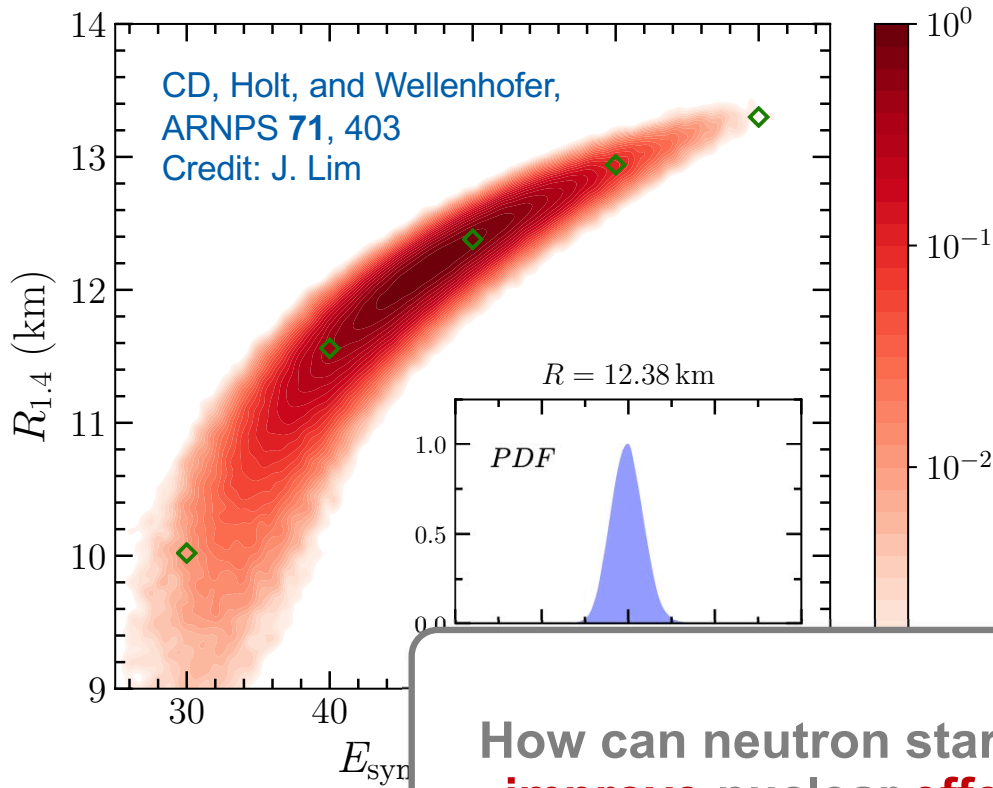
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Bayesian modeling of the EOS

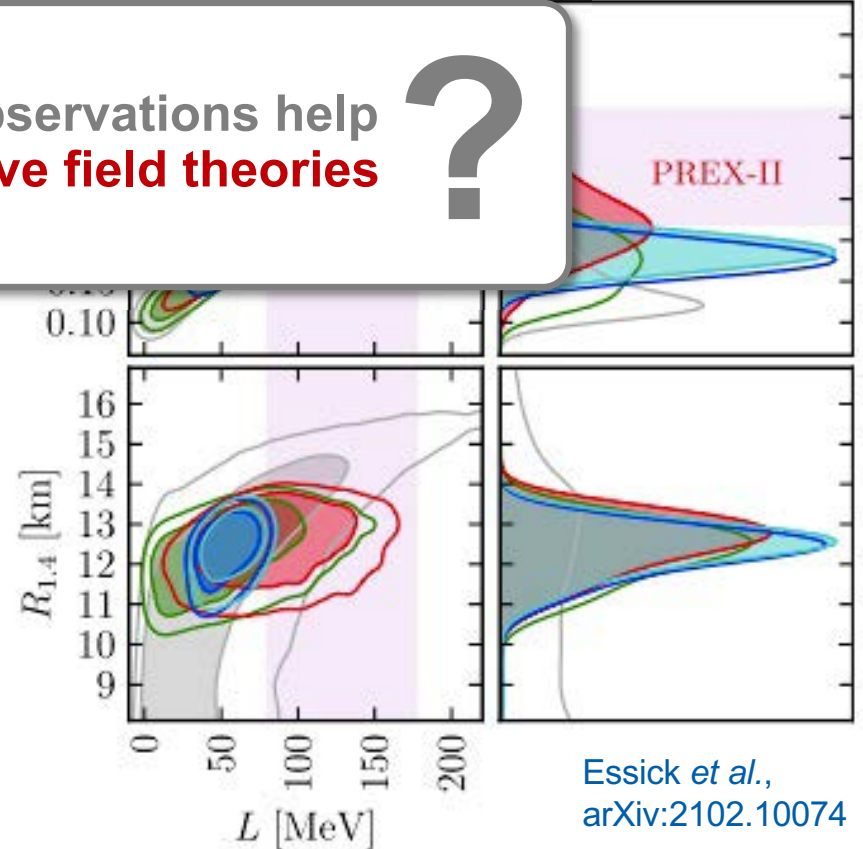
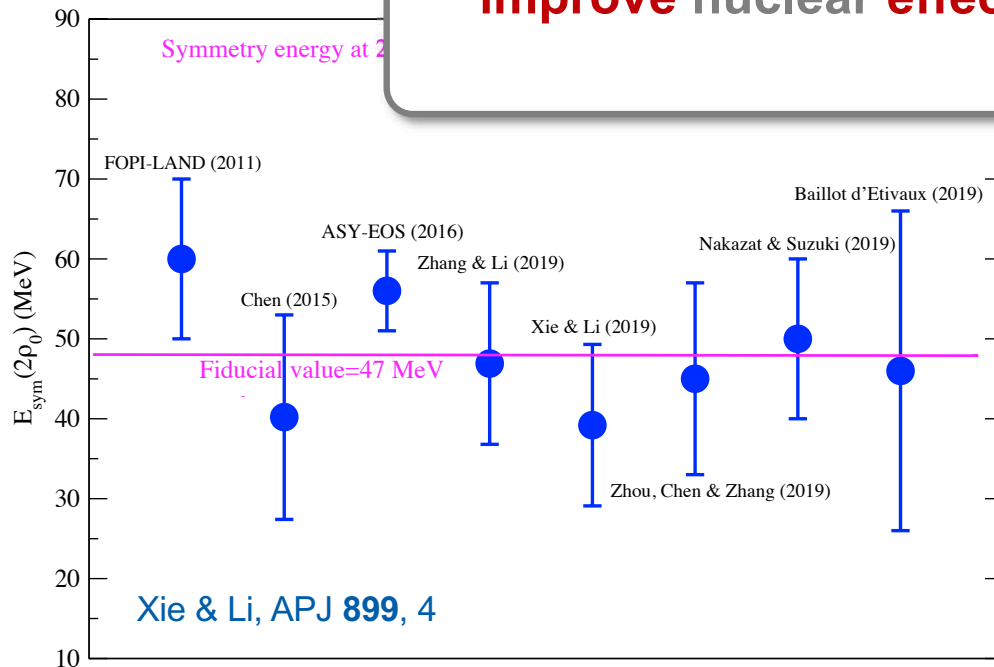
Lim & Holt, PRL 121, 062701



Recent constraints on the nuclear symmetry energy: a few examples



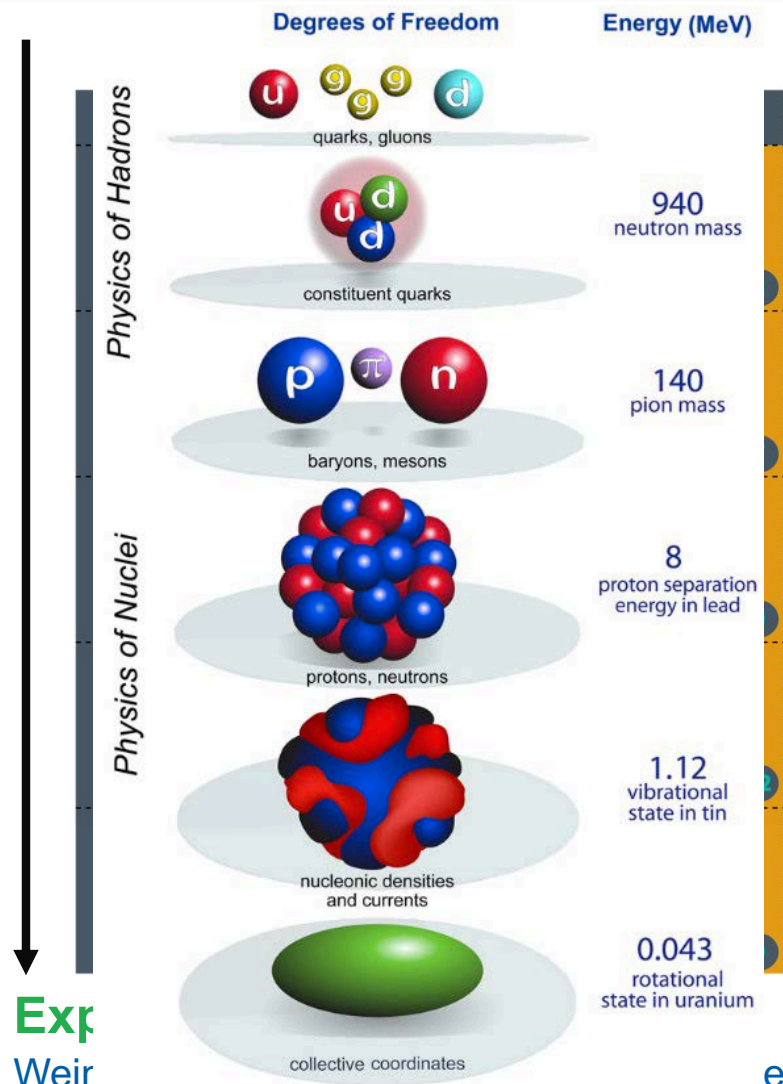
How can neutron star observations help **improve nuclear effective field theories** ?



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Microscopic nuclear forces

e.g., Machleidt, Entem, Phys. Rep. 503, 1



Chiral EFT: modern approach to deriving *microscopic* nuclear forces consistent with the symmetries of low-energy QCD

- use relevant instead of the fundamental degrees of freedom: e.g., **nucleons** and **pions**
- **pion exchanges** and short-range **contact interactions** (\propto LECs)
- **systematic expansion** enables improvable **uncertainty estimates**

$$Q = \max \left(\frac{p}{\Lambda_b}, \frac{m_\pi}{\Lambda_b} \right) \geq \frac{1}{3}$$

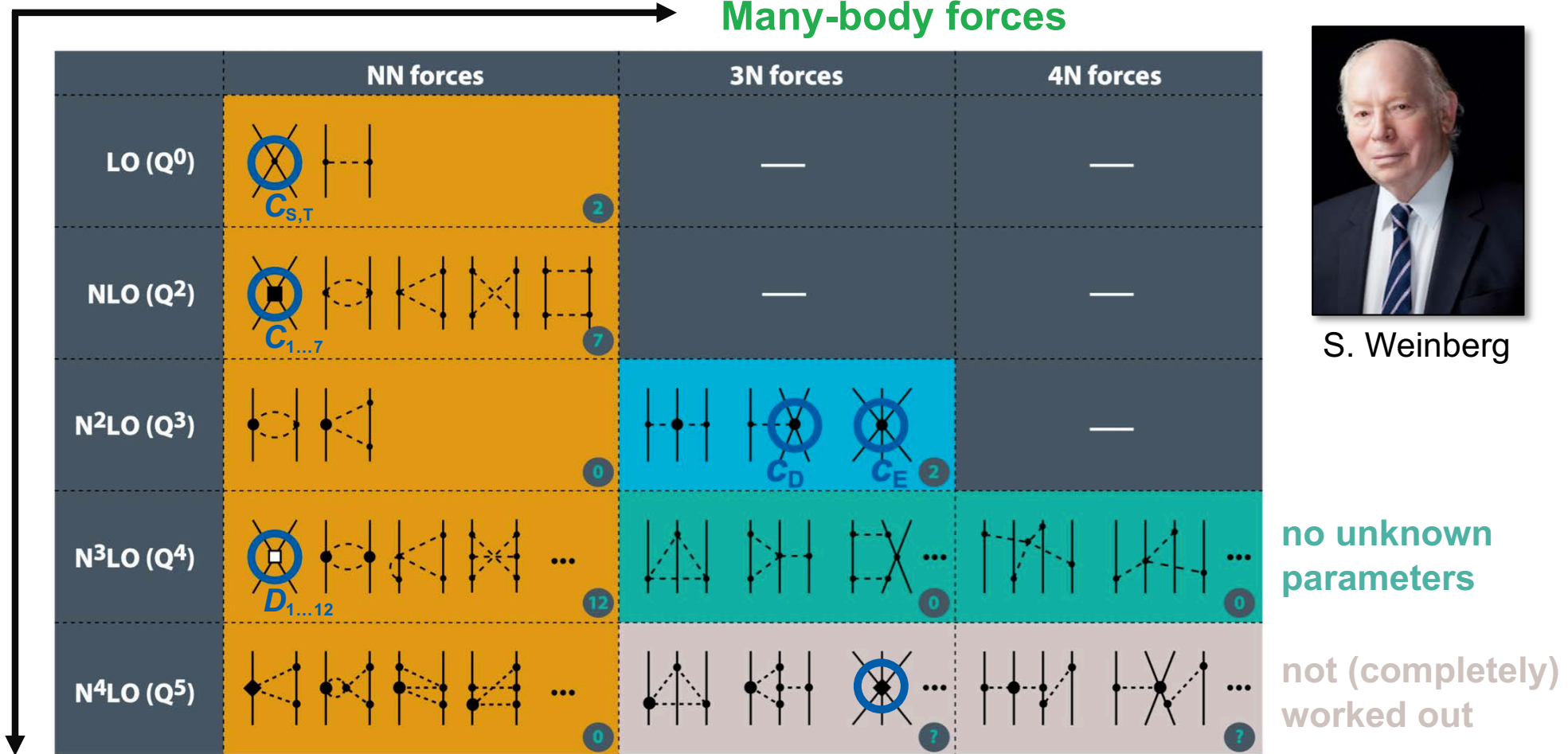
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Hierarchy of nuclear forces in chiral EFT

e.g., Machleidt, Entem, Phys. Rep. 503, 1

Many-body forces



S. Weinberg

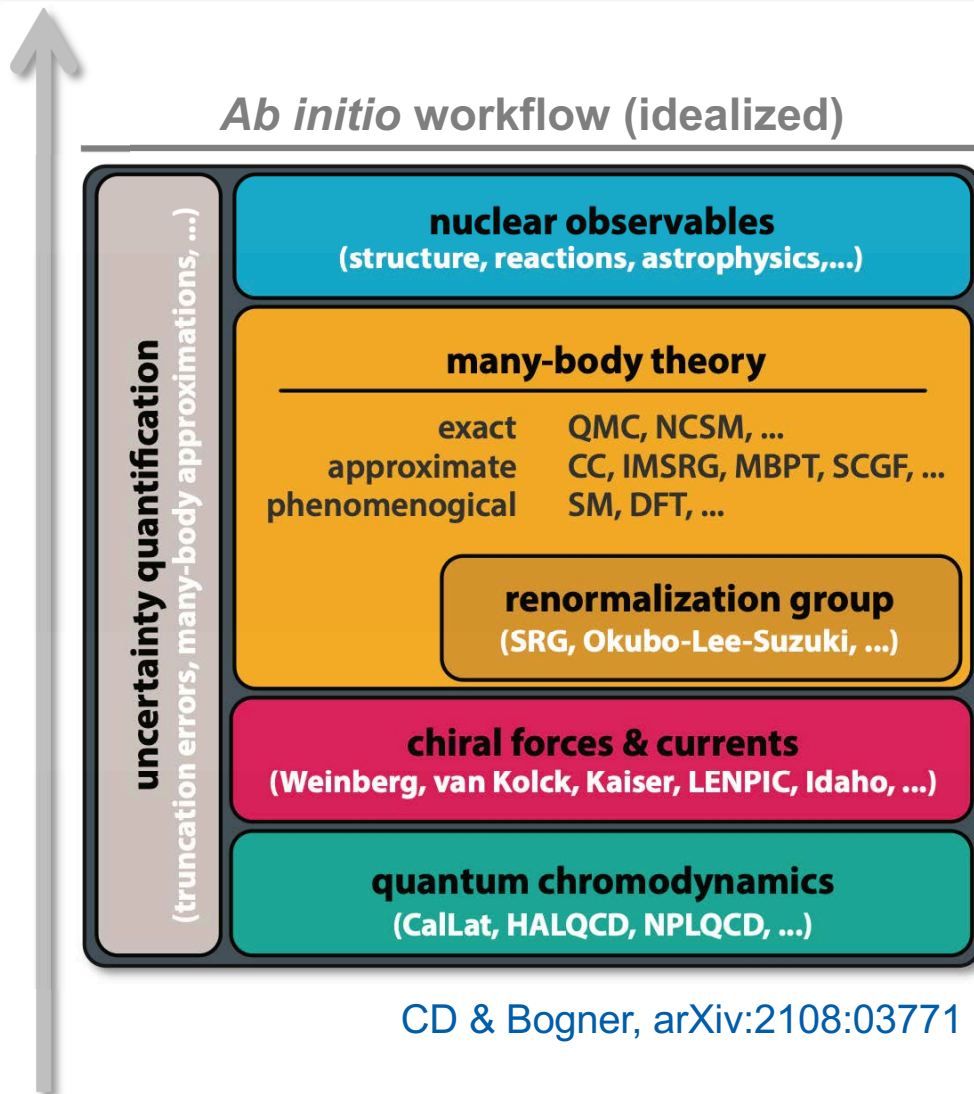
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Microscopic calculations of the nuclear EOS

e.g., Hebeler, Holt *et al.*, ARNP 65, 457



great progress in predicting the **EOS** of infinite matter and the structure of **neutron stars** at densities $\lesssim 2n_0$

- 1 Many-body frameworks**
treatment of 3N forces
improved order-by-order calculations
- 2 Uncertainty quantification**
development of Bayesian methods
quantification of EFT truncation errors

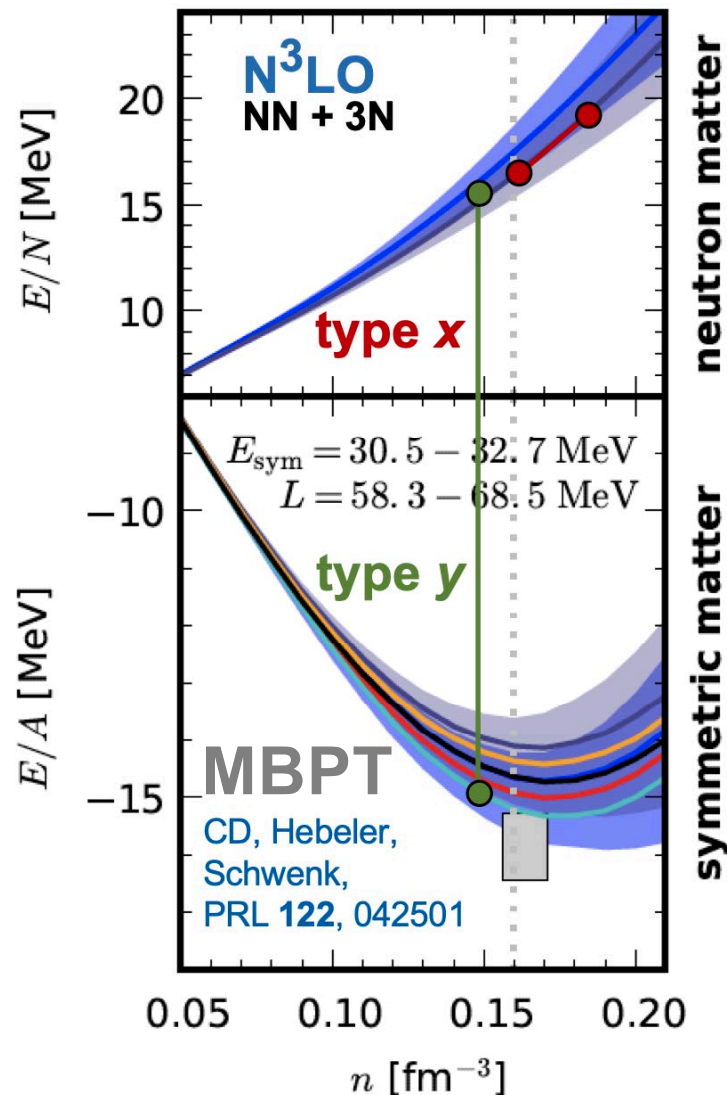
Hebeler, Lattimer *et al.*, APJ 773, 11

see also Anthea Fantina's talk
Modelling inhomogeneous matter at finite temperature in compact stars

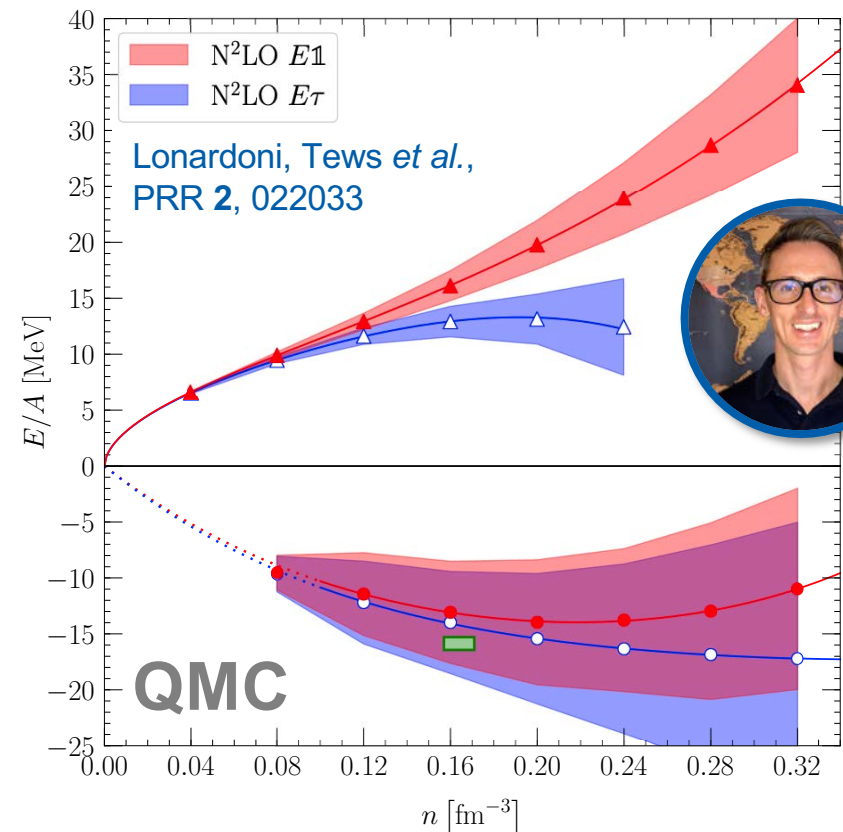
Lonardoni, Tews *et al.*, PRR 2, 022033(R)
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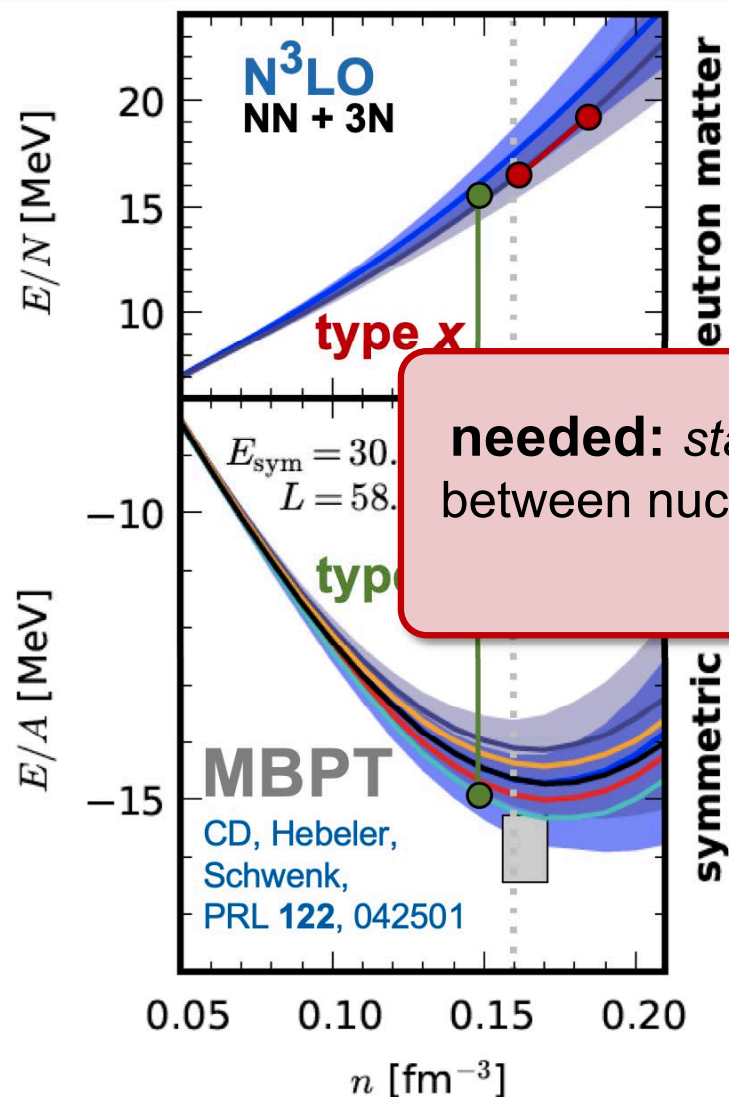


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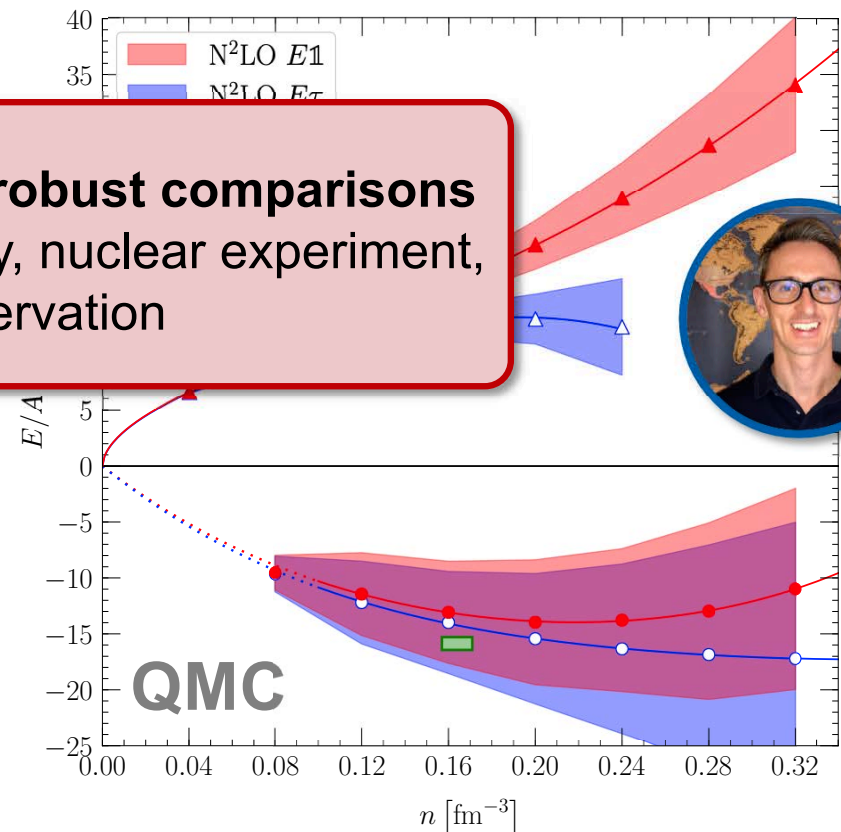
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Efficient Monte Carlo framework

CD, Hebeler, Schwenk, PRL 122, 042501



efficient evaluation of **MBPT diagrams** with **NN**, **3N**, and **4N forces** (single-particle basis)

- implementing diagrams has become straightforward (incl. particle-hole terms)
- multi-dimensional momentum integrals: (improved) VEGAS algorithm
- acceleration: openMP, MPI, and CUDA
- **controlled computation** of arbitrary interaction and many-body diagrams



EOS up to high orders



automatic code generation



analytic form of diagrams/forces

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High-order MBPT

Stevenson, Int. J. Mod. Phys. C 14, 1135

The number of diagrams increases rapidly!

1, 3, 39, 840, 27 300, 1 232 280, ...

$n =$ 2 3 4 5 6 7

Integer sequence A064732:

Number of labeled Hugenholtz diagrams with n nodes.



ADG: Automated generation and evaluation of many-body diagrams I. Bogoliubov many-body perturbation theory

Pierre Arthuis, Thomas Duguet, Alexander Tichai, Raphaël-David Lasserri, Jean-Paul Ebran
Comput. Phys. **240**, 202

**fully automated
approach to MBPT**

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New framework for UQ of EFT calculations

buqeye.github.io



CD, Furnstahl, Melendez, and Phillips

How well do we know the neutron matter equation of state for neutron stars? Uncertainty

Correlated EFT truncation errors are important!

statistically **robust uncertainty estimates** for key quantities of **neutron stars**

CD,

Effective Field Theory Convergence Pattern of Infinite Nuclear Matter, PRC **102**, 054315

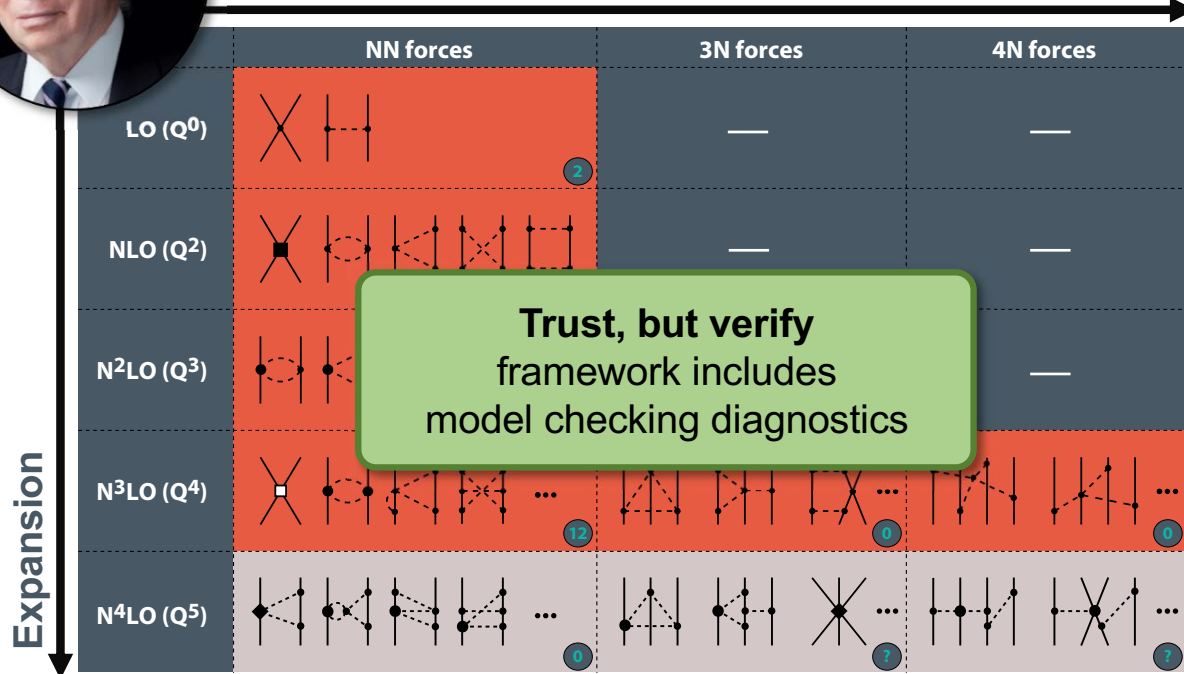
See also: Melendez *et al.*, PRC **100**, 044001
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UQ framework available at
<https://buqeye.github.io>



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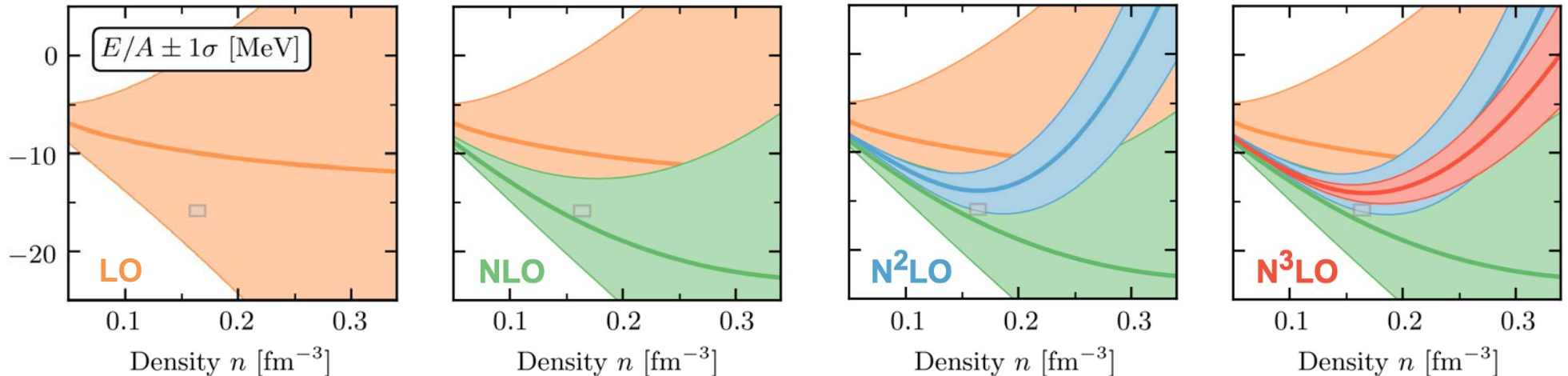
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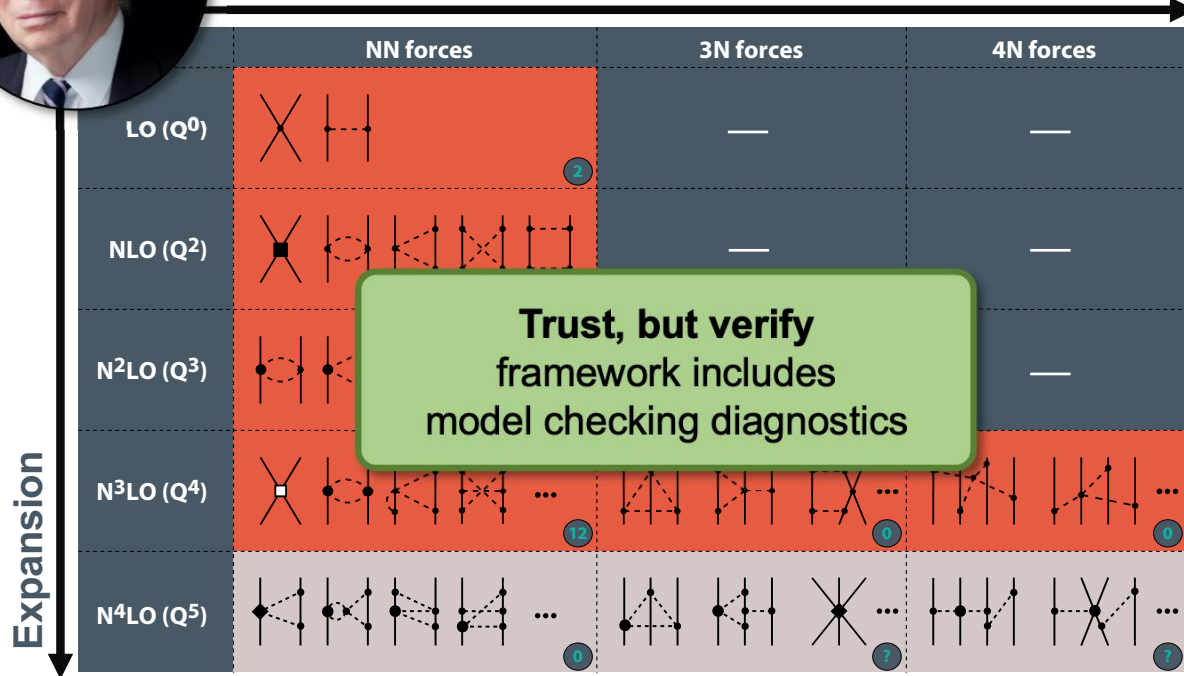
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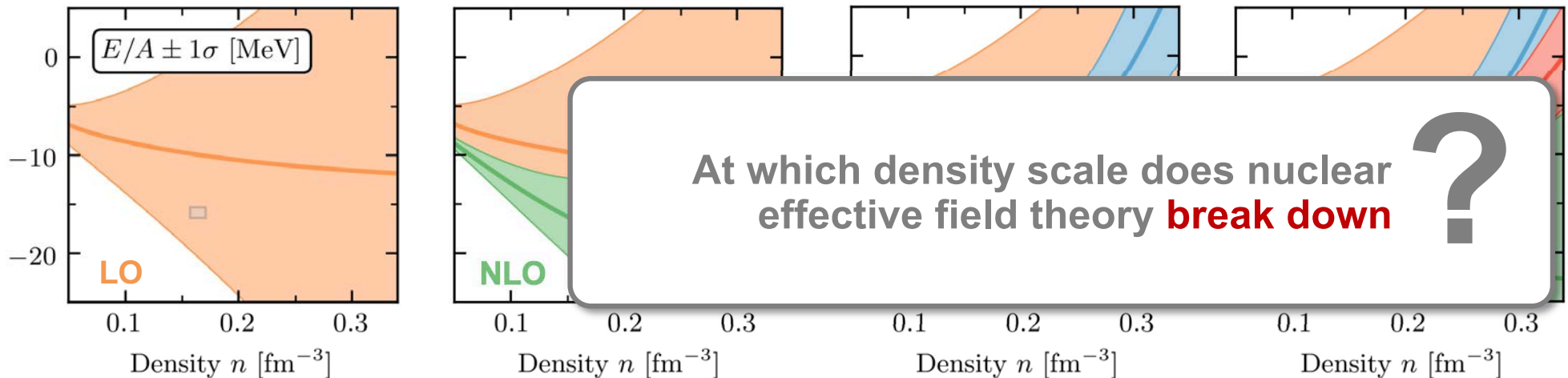
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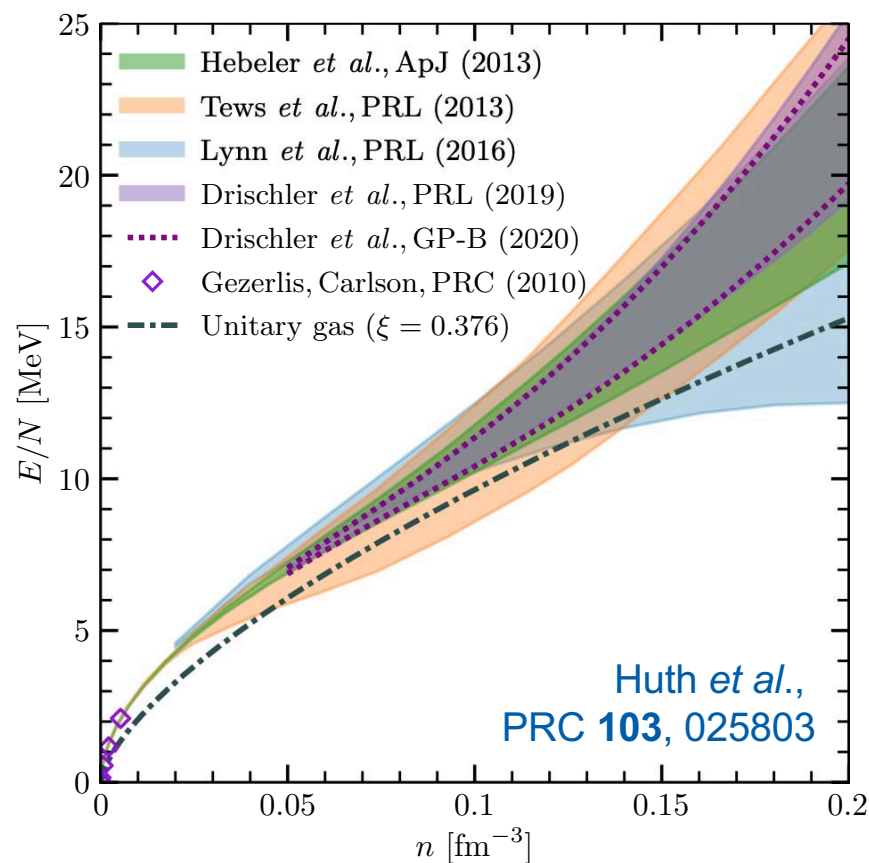
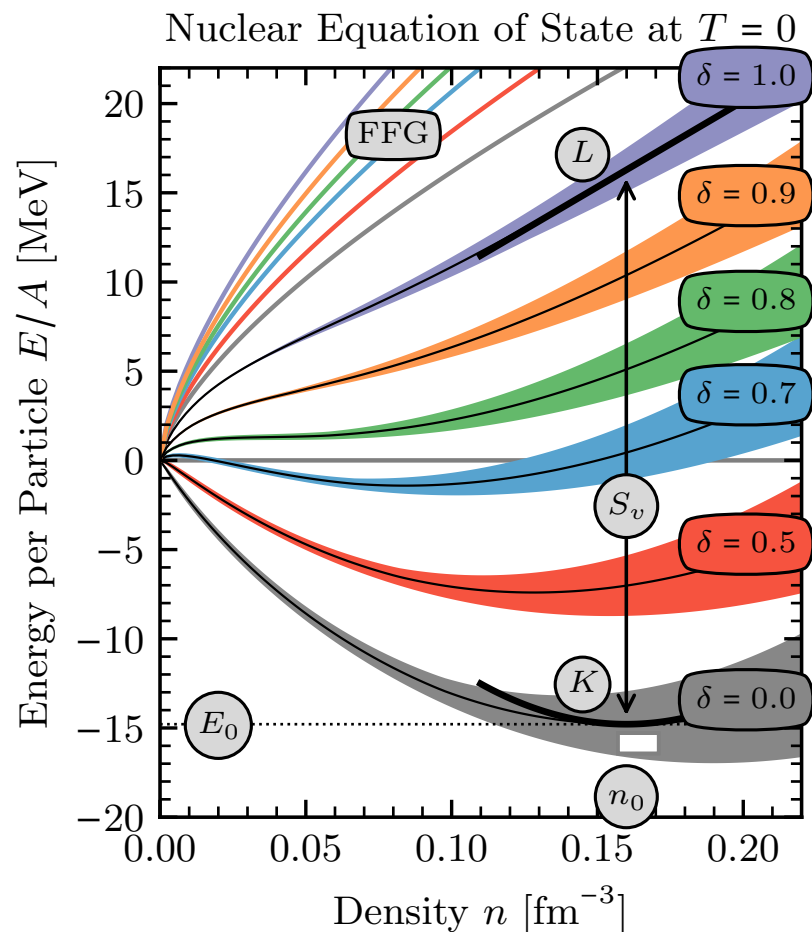
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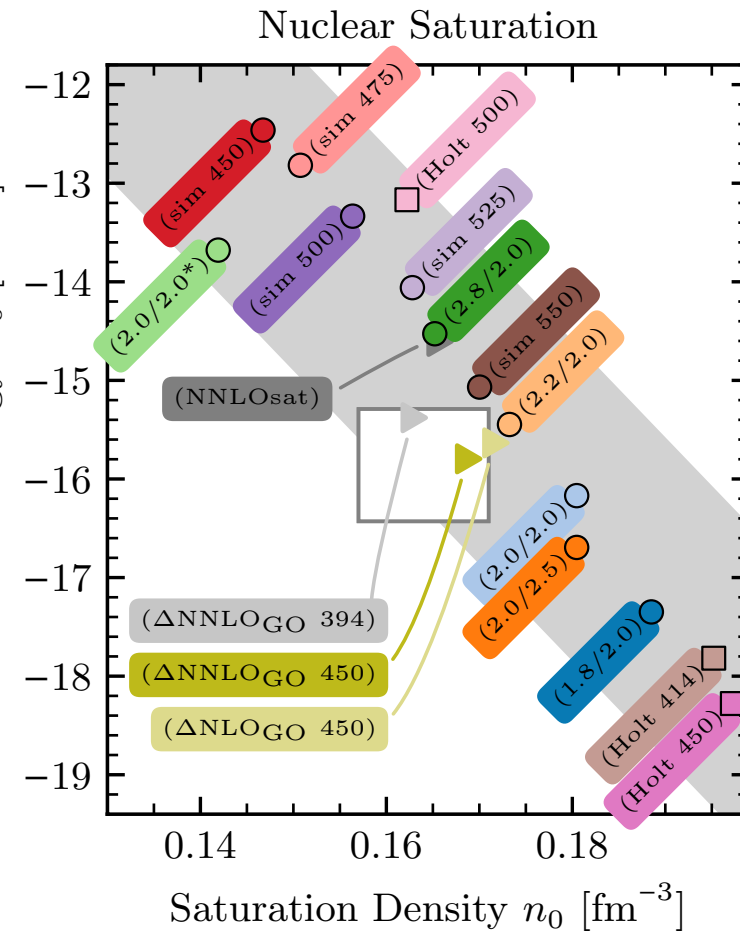
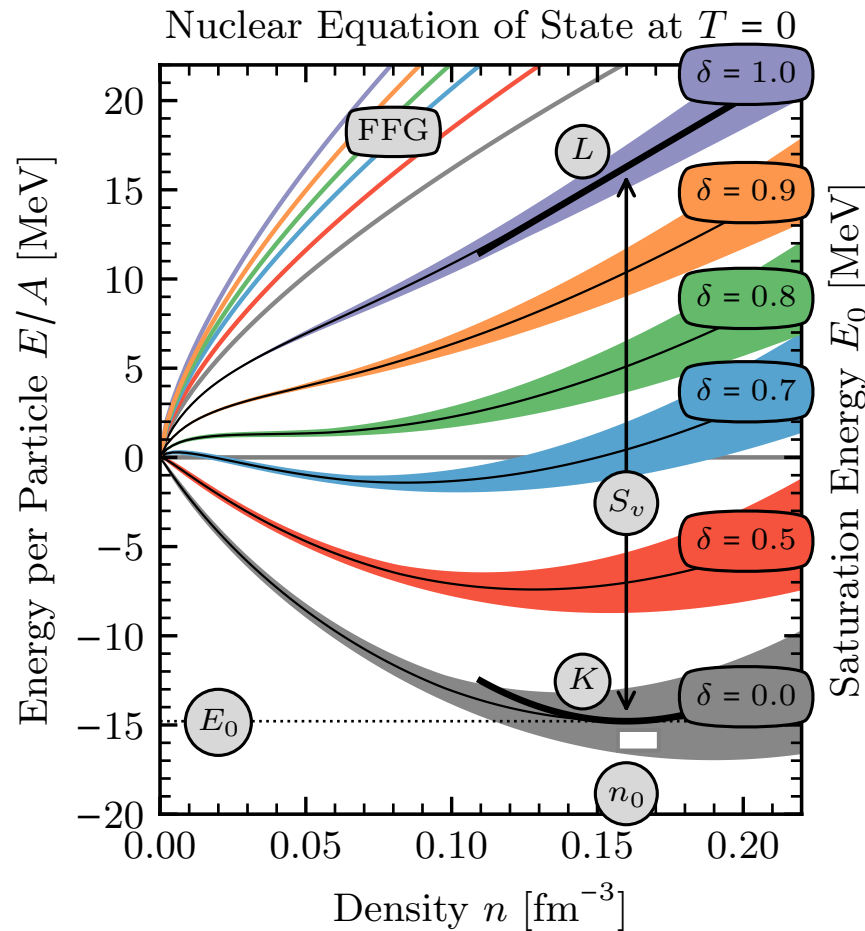
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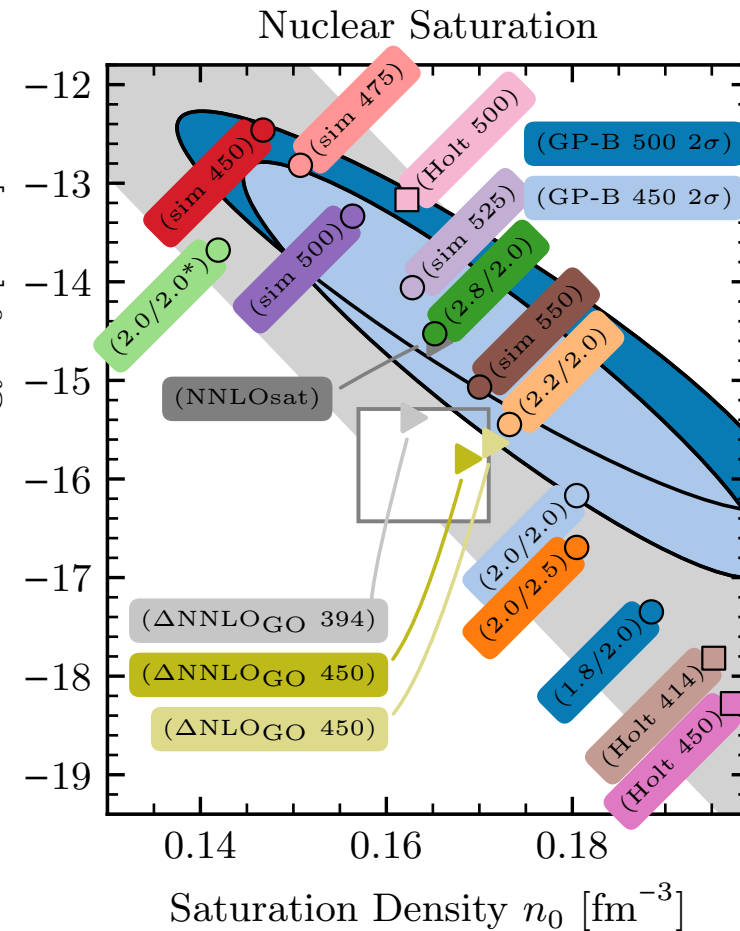
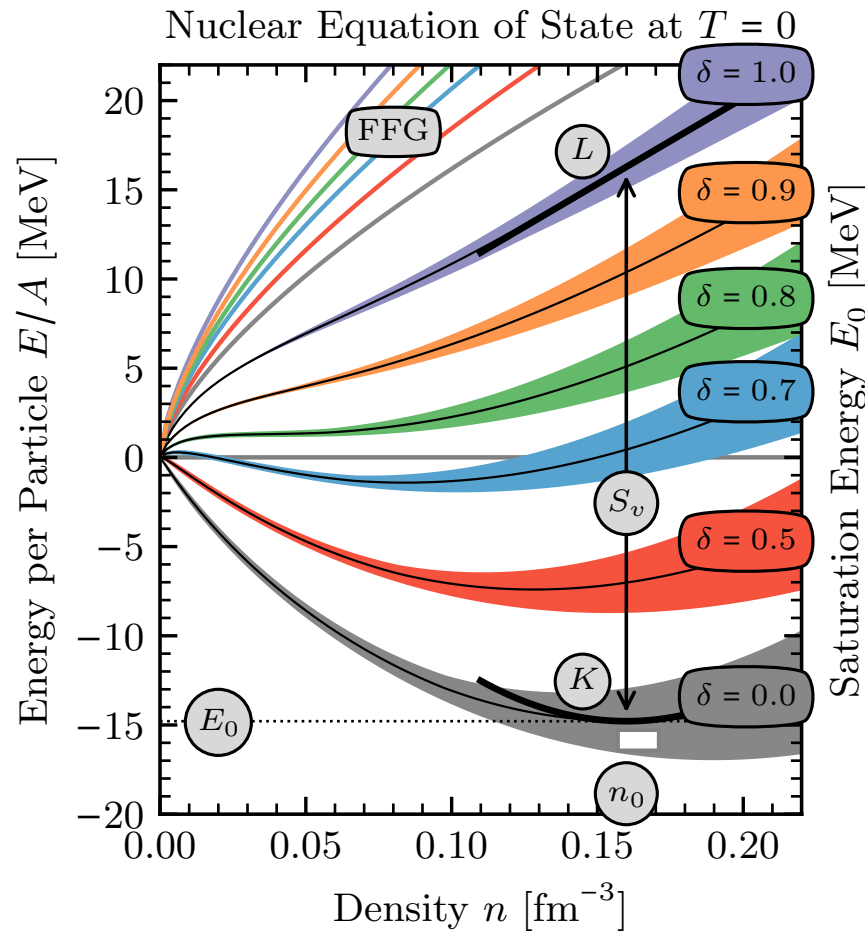
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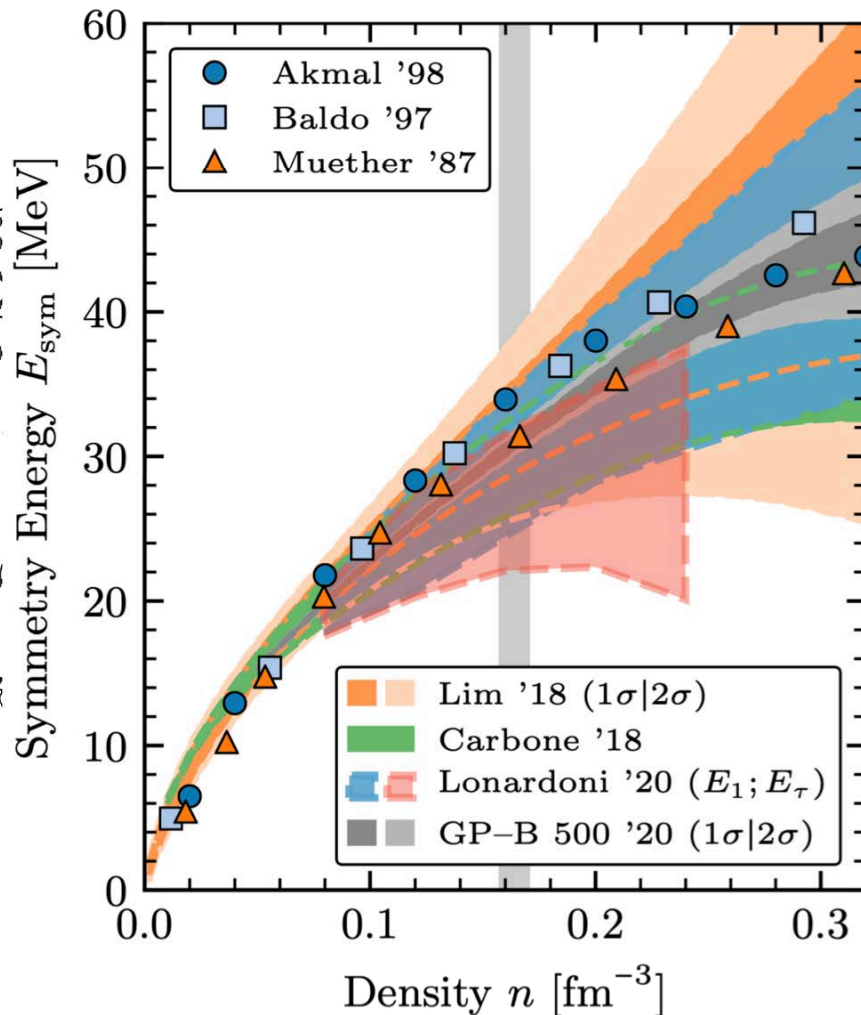
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Confronting chiral EFT with empirical constraints

CD, Furnstahl *et al.*, PRL 125, 202702



$$S_2(n) \equiv S_2(n) \approx \frac{E}{N}(n) - \frac{E}{A}(n)$$

! **Excellent agreement with experiment**
Lattimer and Lim, APJ 771, 51

$$\text{pr}(S_v, L | \mathcal{D}) = \int dn_0 \text{pr}(S_2, L | n_0, \mathcal{D}) \text{pr}(n_0 | \mathcal{D})$$

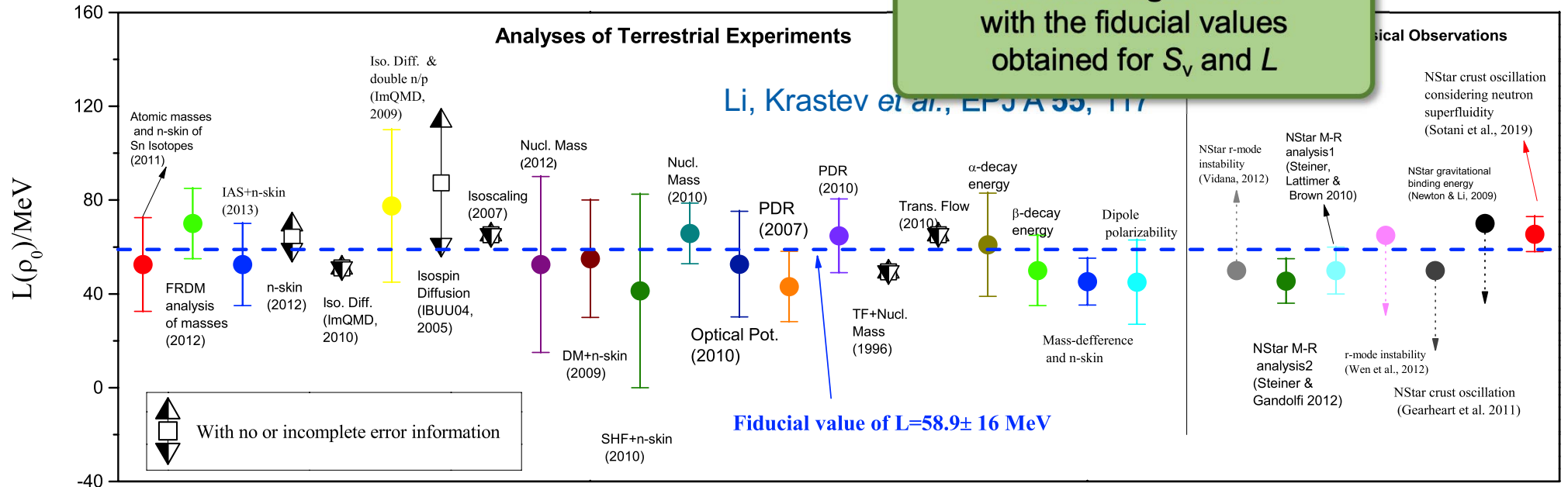
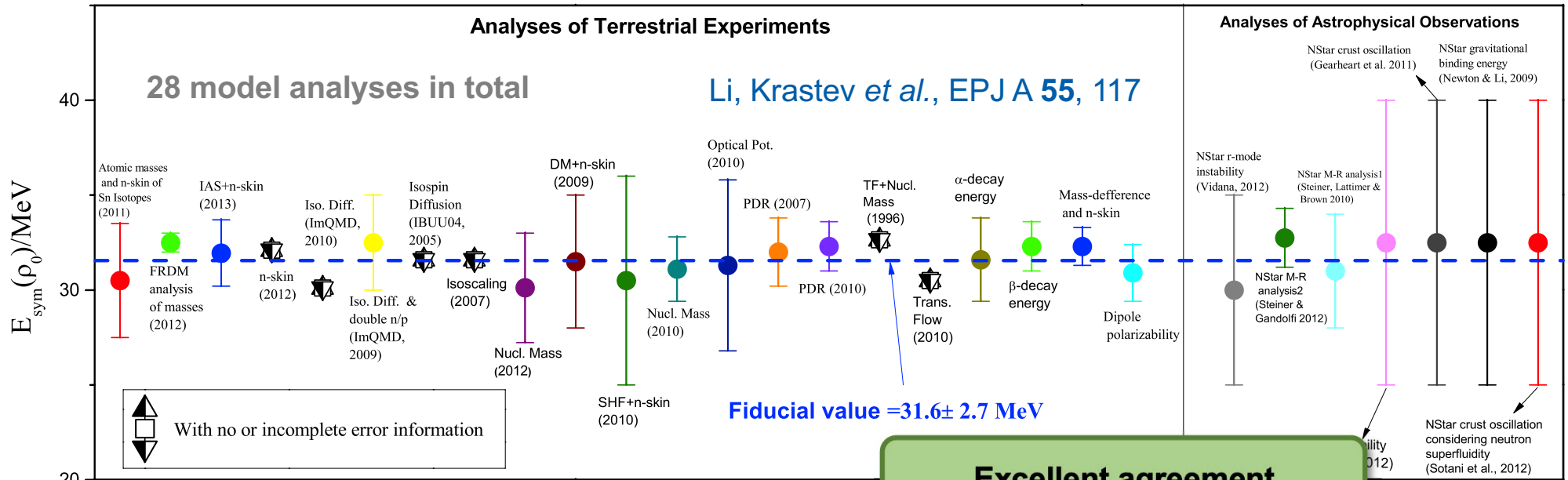
$$\text{pr}(n_0 | \mathcal{D}) \approx 0.17 \pm 0.01 \text{ fm}^{-3}$$

2σ ellipse (light yellow) is completely within the *conjectured* unitary gas limit

predicted range in S_v agrees with other **theoretical constraints**; but ~15 MeV stronger density-dependence of $S_2(n_0)$

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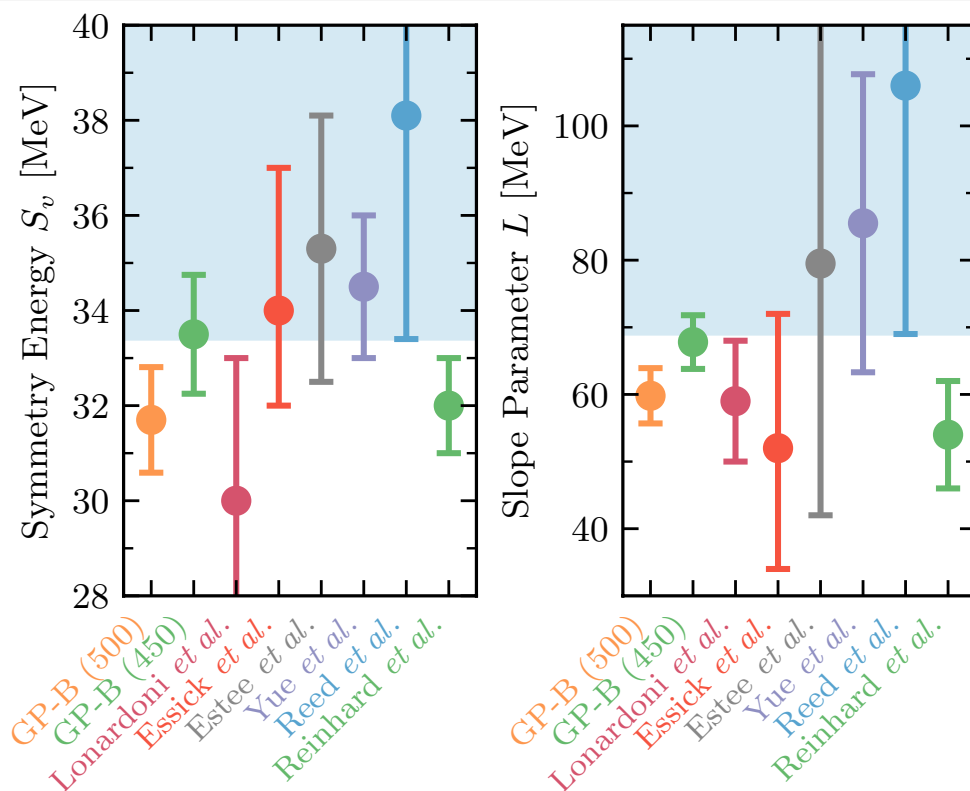
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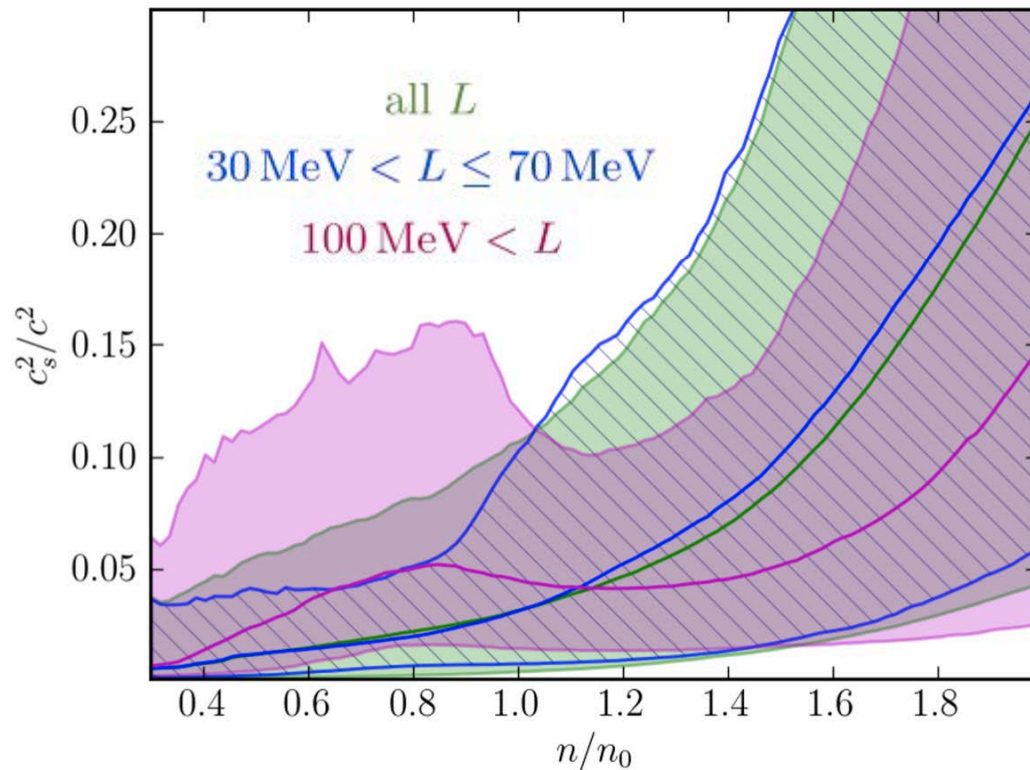
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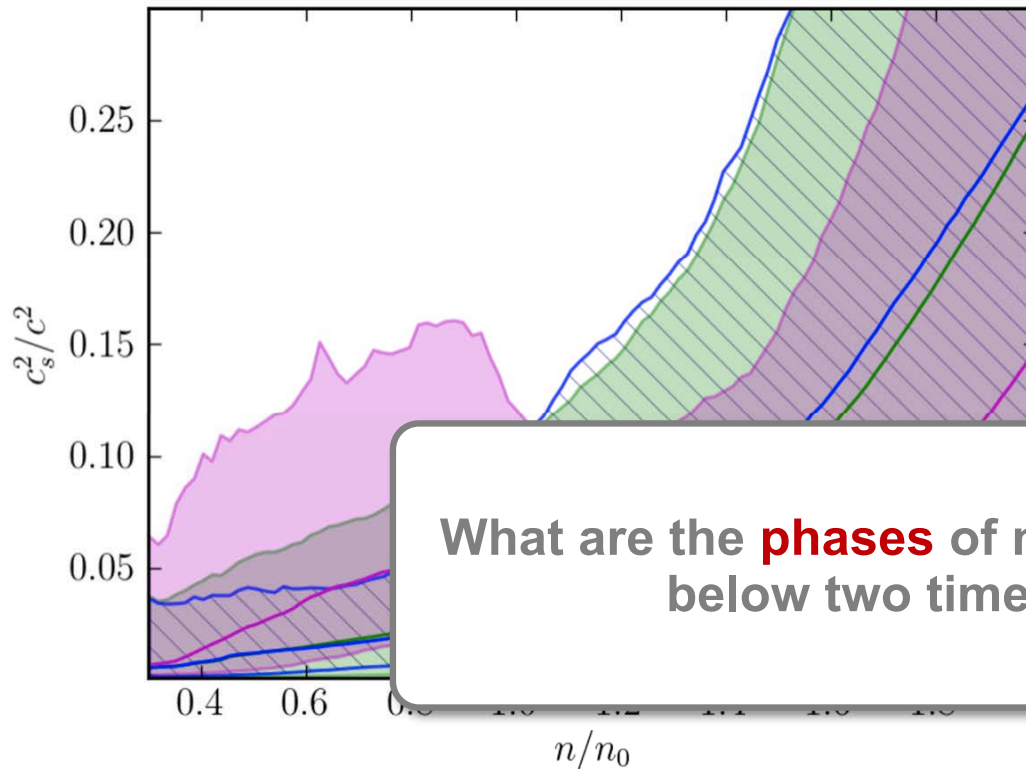
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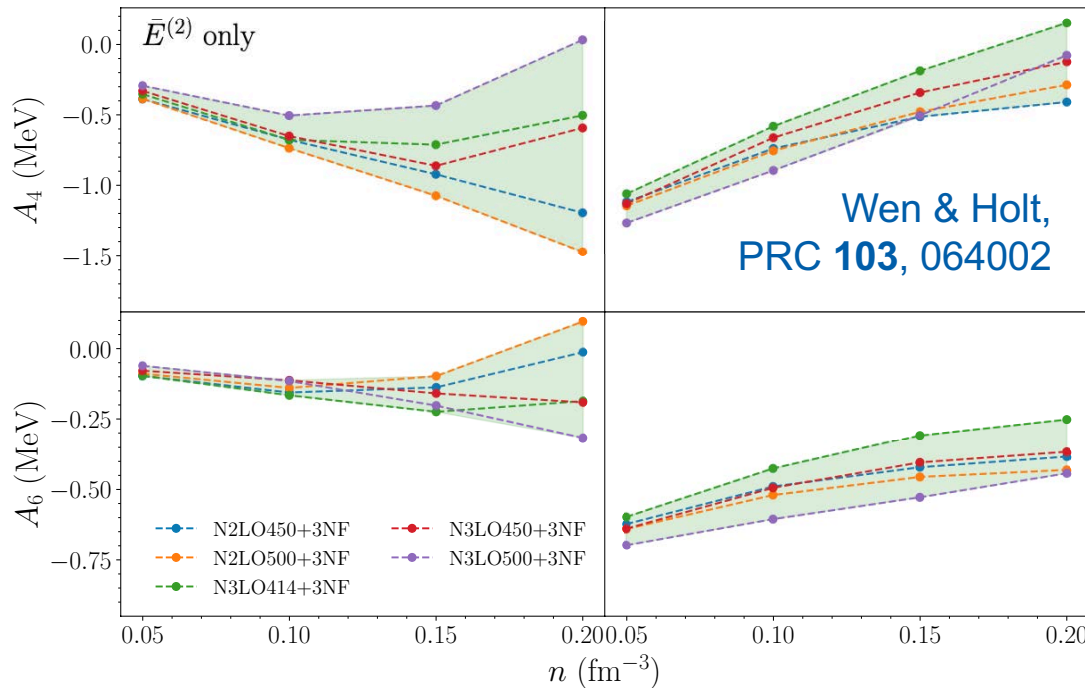
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Kaiser, PRC **91**, 065201

Wellenhofer, Holt, and Kaiser, PRC **93**, 055802

Somasundaram, CD, Tews *et al.*, PRC **103**, 045803

$$\frac{E}{A}(n, \delta) = \frac{E}{A}(n, \delta = 0) + S_2(n)\delta^2 + \sum_{i>1} (A_{2i}(n) + A_{2i,l}(n) \log |\delta|) \delta^{2i}$$



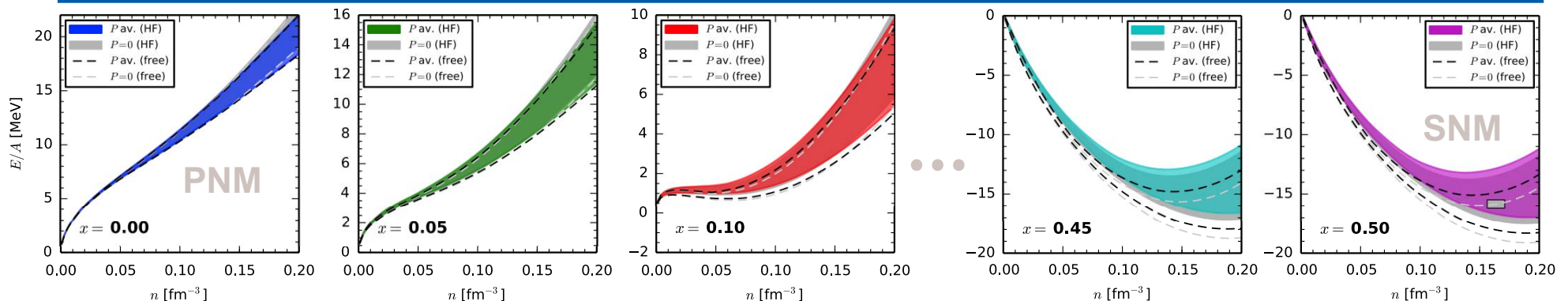
MBPT beyond Hartree-Fock gives rise to (nonanalytic) **logarithmic contributions**

Precision MBPT calculations can **extract** high-order symmetry energy **coefficients**

Overall small contribution from nonquadratic terms (but can impact β -equilibrium)

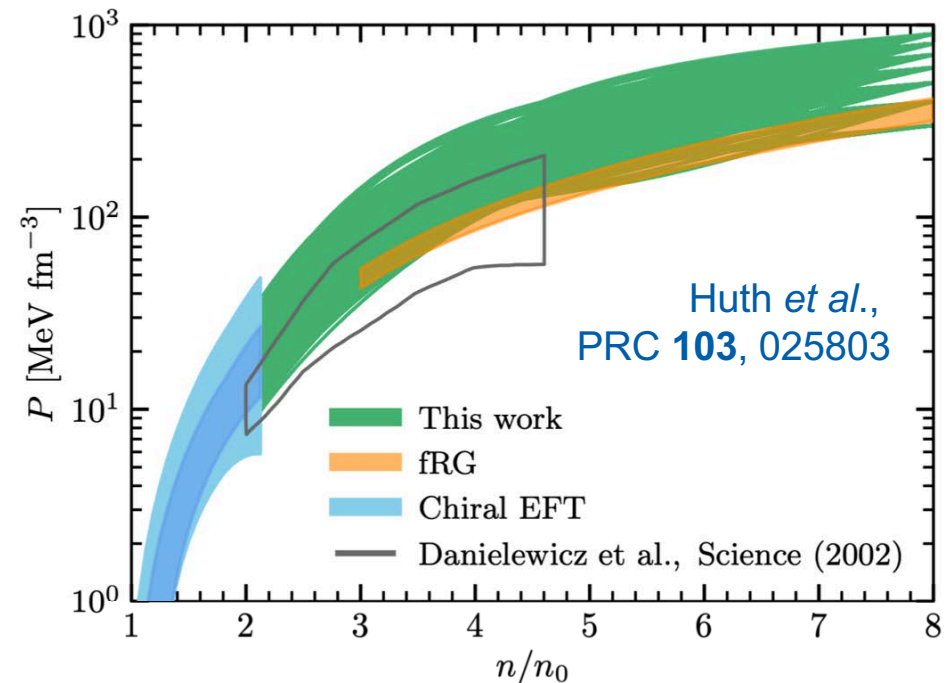
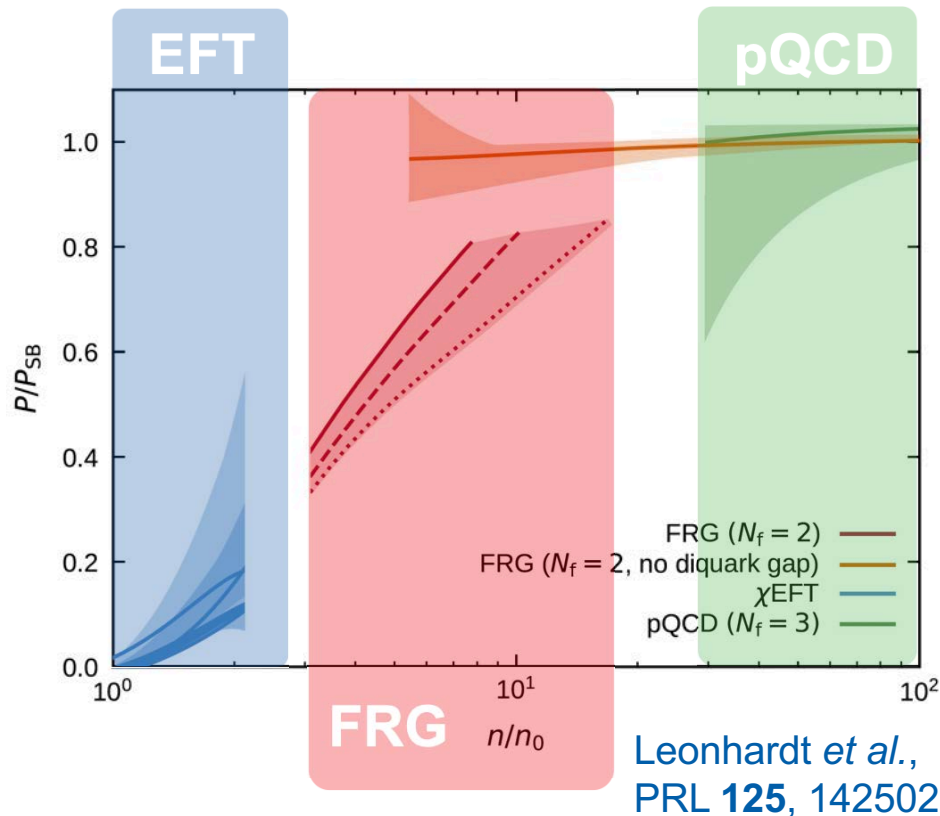
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(explicit) asymmetric matter calculations



Equation of state constraints from chiral effective field theory and astrophysics

New developments: symmetric nuclear matter

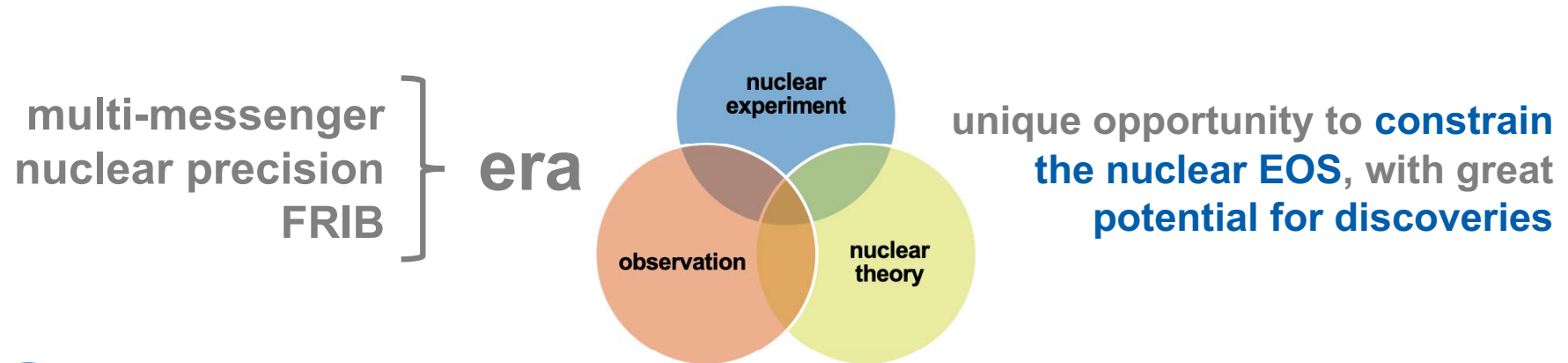


Functional Renormalization Group:
complementary constraints at $> 3n_0$
(beyond the range of chiral EFT) from
the QCD action

New insights into the high-density EOS:
remarkable consistency between the
constraints, which suggests that they can
be combined via **simple extrapolations**

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Conclusion



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Microscopic EOS constraints *statistically* robust uncertainties

- excellent agreement of predicted S_V - L correlation with experiment
- PNM and SNM show a regular EFT convergence pattern with increasing order
- extracted Λ_b is consistent with NN scattering • N^2 LO coefficient may be an outlier

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full Bayesian UQ: sample over LECs & hyperparameters

- in future: consistently include uncertainties in the LECs of chiral interactions
- promising: new potentials up to N^2 LO by Wesolowski *et al.*, arXiv:2104.04441



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