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80° Marcello's Anniversary

Marcello's Contributions to the Theory of Nuclear-Matter Superfluidity



Cottage *Le Muse*, 2022

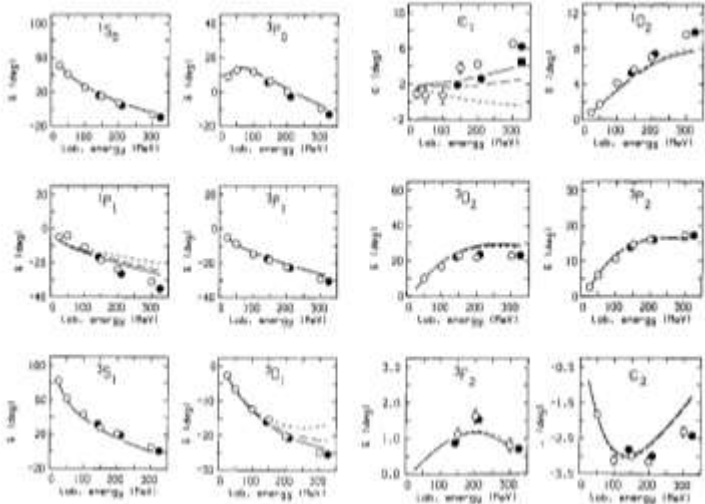
Outline:

- BCS calculations with realistic interactions
- Selfenergy and corrections
- Transition to Bose condensate
- from Homogeneous to Inhomogeneous Matter:
- Superfluid States of Nuclear Matter in Astrophysics

BCS Calculations with Realistic Interactions

degenerate Fermi Systems

Inter.Coll.: J. Cugnon, A. Lejeune (1990-96)



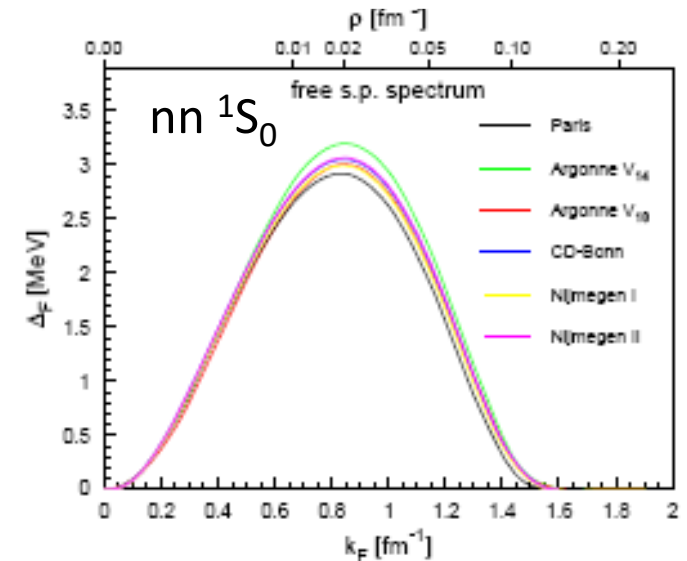
$$\Delta_k = \sum_{k'} V_{kk'} \frac{\Delta_{k'}}{2\sqrt{(e_{k'} - e_F)^2 + \Delta_{k'}^2}}$$

$$\rho = \sum_k \theta(e_F - e_k)$$

$V_{kk'}$ **bare** interaction (from exp phase shifts)

$e_k = k^2/2m + U_k$ from BHF

- independent of interaction
- overestimate the experimental values in nuclei
- peaked at low densities



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Etna volcano, 2900m a.s.l., 1990

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analytical demonstration

$$\text{Gap Equation : } \Delta = V \mathbf{G} \mathbf{G}_s \Delta$$

Splitting the (e,p) -space into two sub-spaces, P and Q, such that

$$Q: \quad \Delta \ll |e - e_F| \quad n_p^2 \ll n_p$$

the gap equation splits

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \tilde{V} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{G}_s \Delta \\ \tilde{V} &= V + V \frac{Q}{2e_F - e_p - e_{p'}} \tilde{V} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Bethe-Goldstone like Eq.})$$

$$Q = 1 - n_p - n_{p'} \approx \text{Pauli operator}$$

Medium Dispersive Effects *quasi-degenerate Fermi Systems*

Self-energy corrections

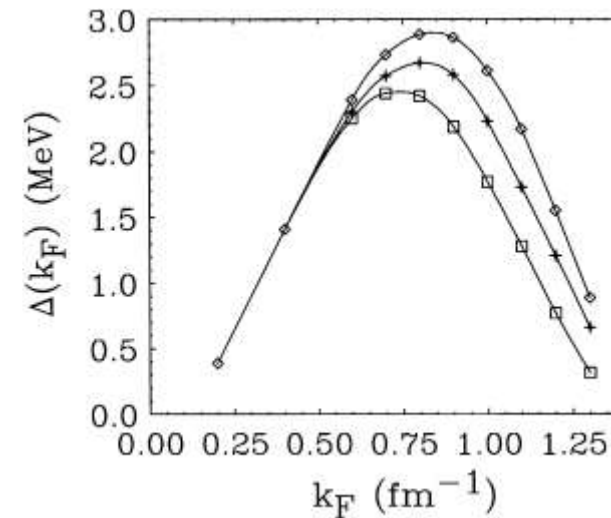
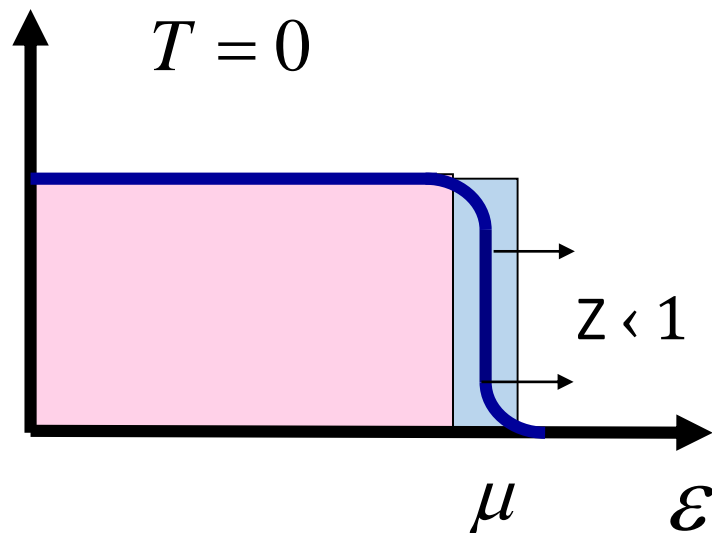
$$\mathbf{G}^{-1}(\epsilon, \mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{G}_0^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\epsilon, \mathbf{p}) = Z^{-1}(\epsilon - (\mathbf{p}^2 - \mathbf{p}_F^2)/2m^*)$$

$$\mathbf{G}^{-1}_s(\epsilon, \mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{G}_0^{-1}(\epsilon, \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{G}_0(-\epsilon, -\mathbf{p}) |\Delta|^2$$

quasi-particle strength $Z(\mathbf{p})^{-1} = \left(1 - \frac{\delta \Sigma(\mathbf{p}, \omega)}{\delta \omega}\right)_F$

$$\epsilon = (\mathbf{p}^2 - \mathbf{p}_F^2) / 2m^* ; \frac{m}{m^*} = Z(\mathbf{p}) \left(1 - \frac{\delta \Sigma(\mathbf{p}, \omega)}{\delta p}\right)_F$$

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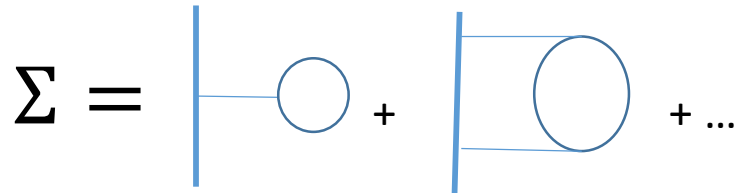
Baldo & Grasso PLB, 2000

Medium Polarization Effects

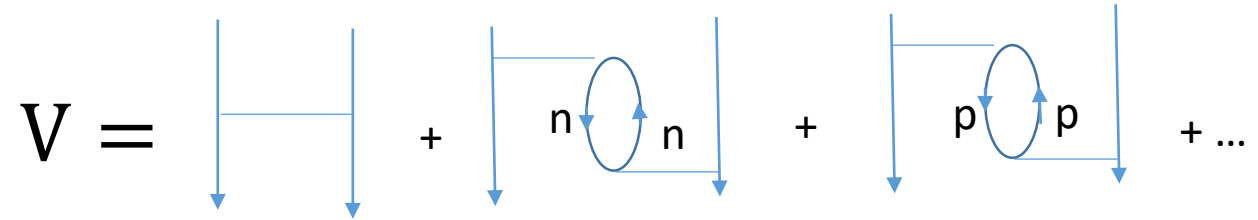
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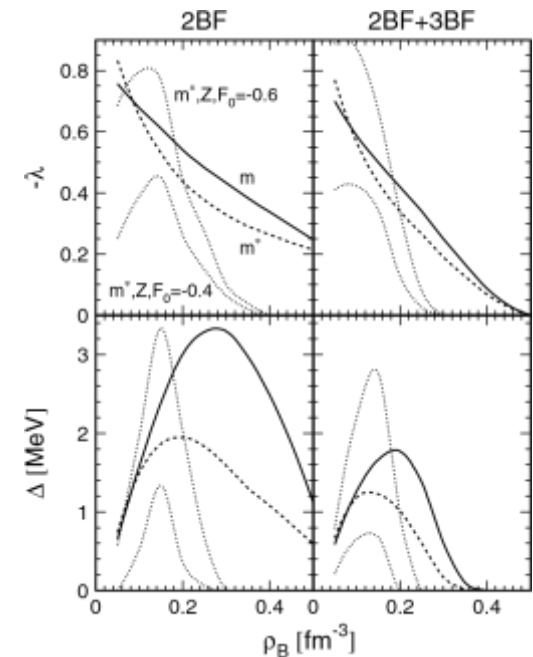
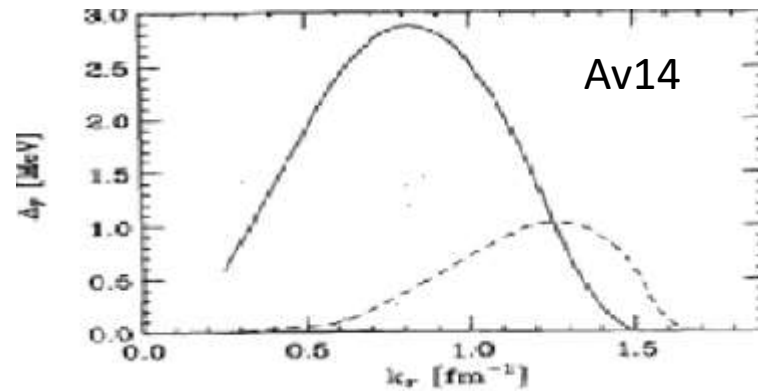


Vertex Polarization



Nuclear Matter (β -stable)

neutron matter

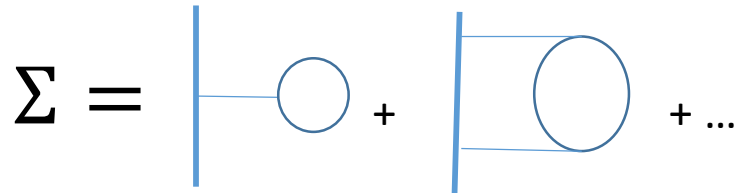


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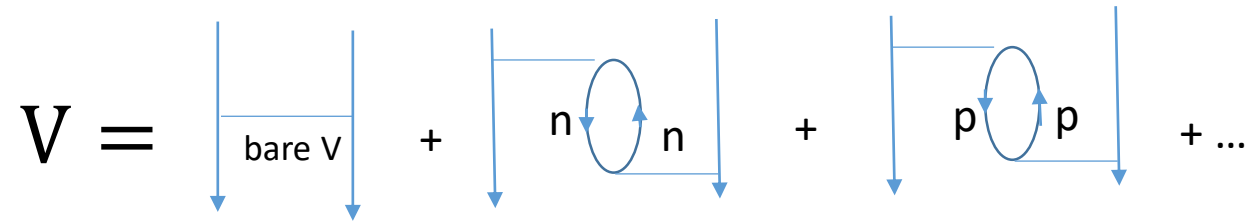
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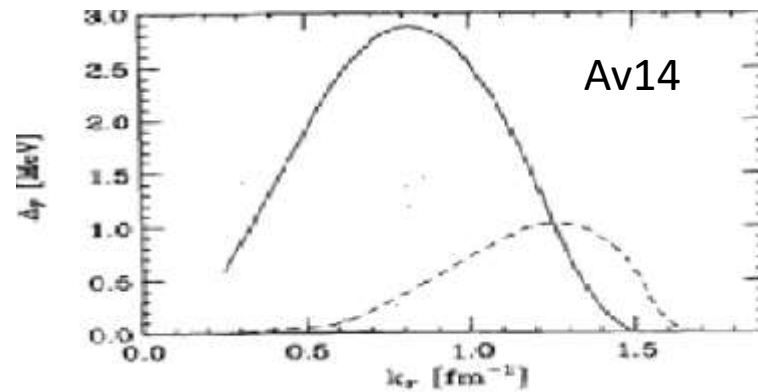


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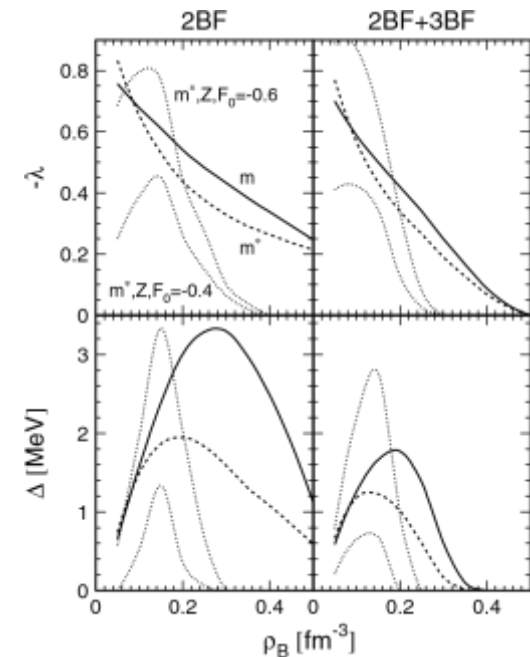


Rostock, 2009

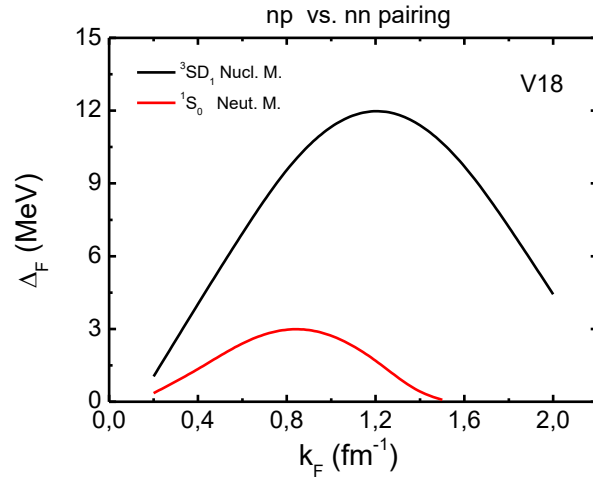
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Spin-triplet n-p Pairing



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Investigation keywords:

- Crossover from n-p Fermi system to deuteron Bose system
- Suppression in nuclei (N=Z: Bertsch (20109), Sagawa & Colò (2014))
- Searching experimental evidence (low energy HIC, NS cooling,...)

Low-density Crossover to Deuteron Bose Condensate

Inter.Coll.: P. Schuck

$$2(\varepsilon_p - \mu)\varphi_p + (1 - 2np) \sum_{p'} V(p, p')\varphi_{p'} = 0$$

$$\rho = \frac{N}{V} = \sum_p \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon_p - \mu}{E}\right)$$

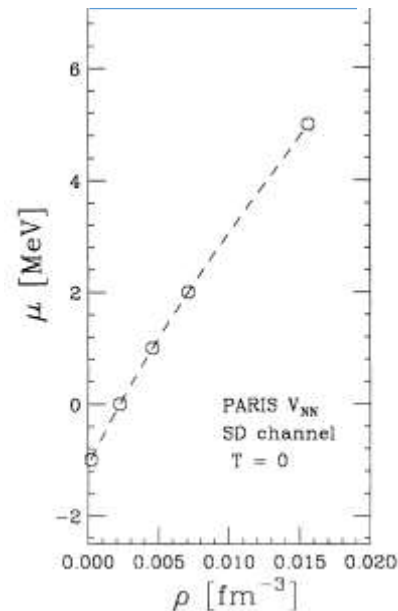
$\varphi = \Delta/2E$ (pairing correlation fnct)

$2n = 1 - (\varepsilon - \mu)/E$ (occupation number)

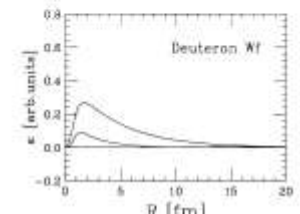
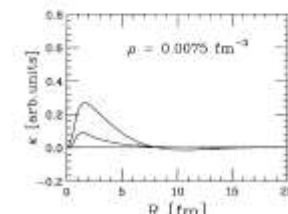
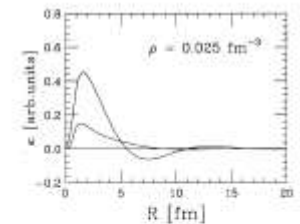
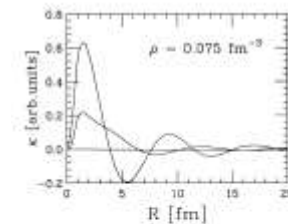
$$E = [(\varepsilon - \mu)^2 + \Delta^2]^{1/2}$$



at home, 1999



zero density $2\mu \rightarrow -2.2$ MeV

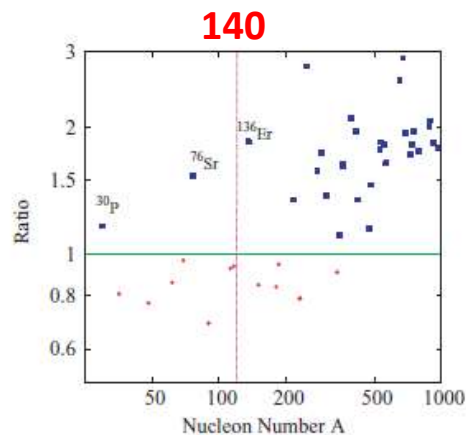


The puzzle of the missing neutron-proton pairing in nuclei short history

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G.F. Bertsch et al (PRC 2010)

Study the effect of **spin-orbit splitting** on the pairing in N=Z nuclei and predict a crossover

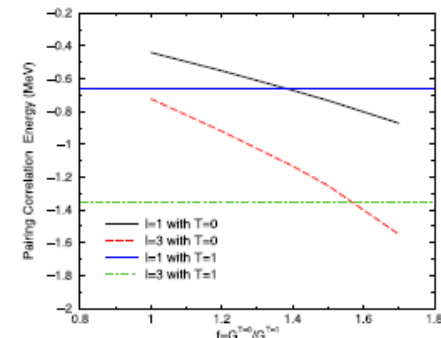


from spin-singlet to spin-triplet pairing at $A \sim 140$
 $N \gg Z$ Fermi energy splitting prevents np pairing
 moving from lighter to heavier nuclei the pairing force
 quenches down due to the surface dependence of spin-orbit force

$$H_{sp} = \frac{p^2}{2m} + V_{ws}f(r) + \vec{\ell} \cdot \vec{s} V_{so} \frac{1}{r} \frac{df(r)}{dr}$$

H. Sagawa et al (Physica Scripta, 2014)

Study interplay between S=1 np and nn S=0 pairing in pf-shell of
 N=Z nuclei , based on the pairing **w.f. projection on the jj coupling**



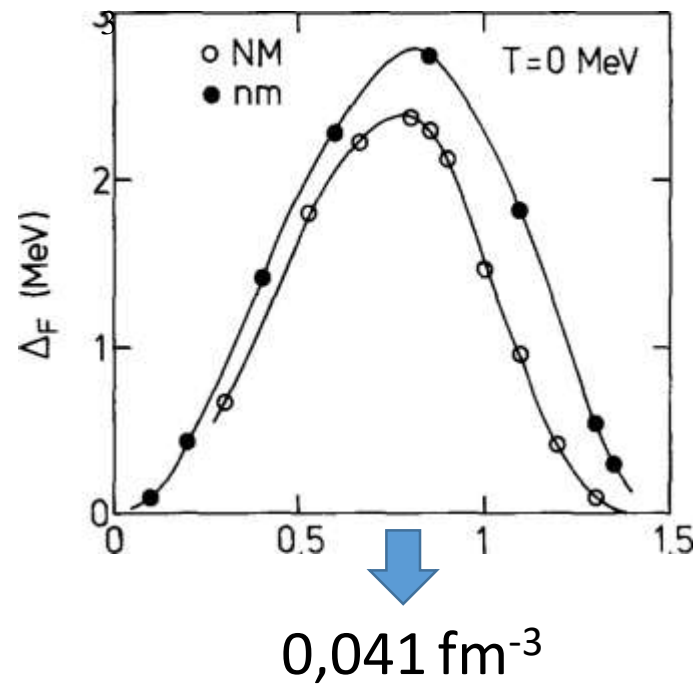
On the surface nature of the nuclear pairing

from low density pairing in nuclear matter to surface pairing in nuclei

Int.Coll.: E.Saperstein et al.



Moscow, 1993



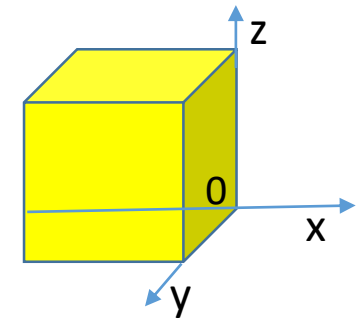
Guess LDFA : pairing located on the nuclear surface

1D-Inhomogeneous Nuclear Matter

$$\Delta(x) = \tilde{V}(x) \mathbf{G} \mathbf{G}_s \Delta(x)$$

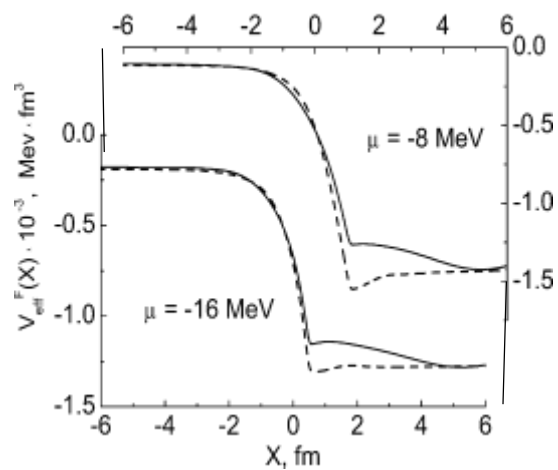
$$\tilde{V}(x) = V + V \frac{Q}{2eF - ep - ep} \tilde{V}(x)$$

Semi-infinite slab

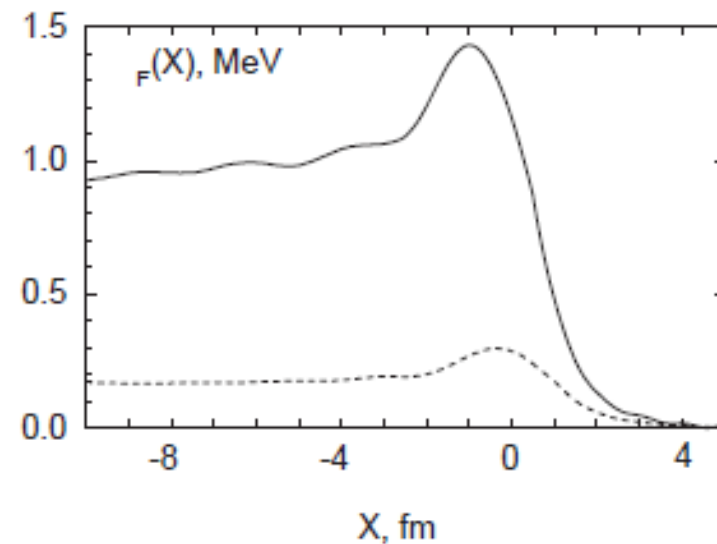


from LDA to LPA

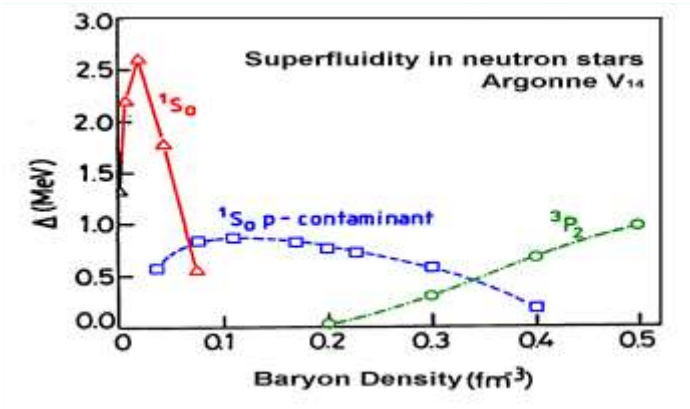
Pairing interaction $\tilde{V}(x)$



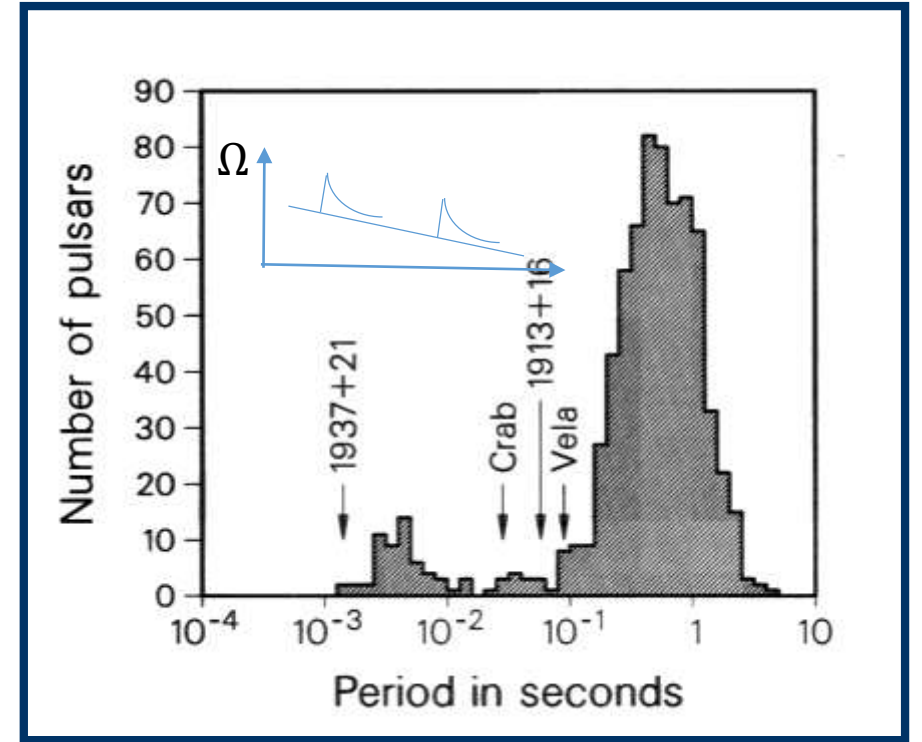
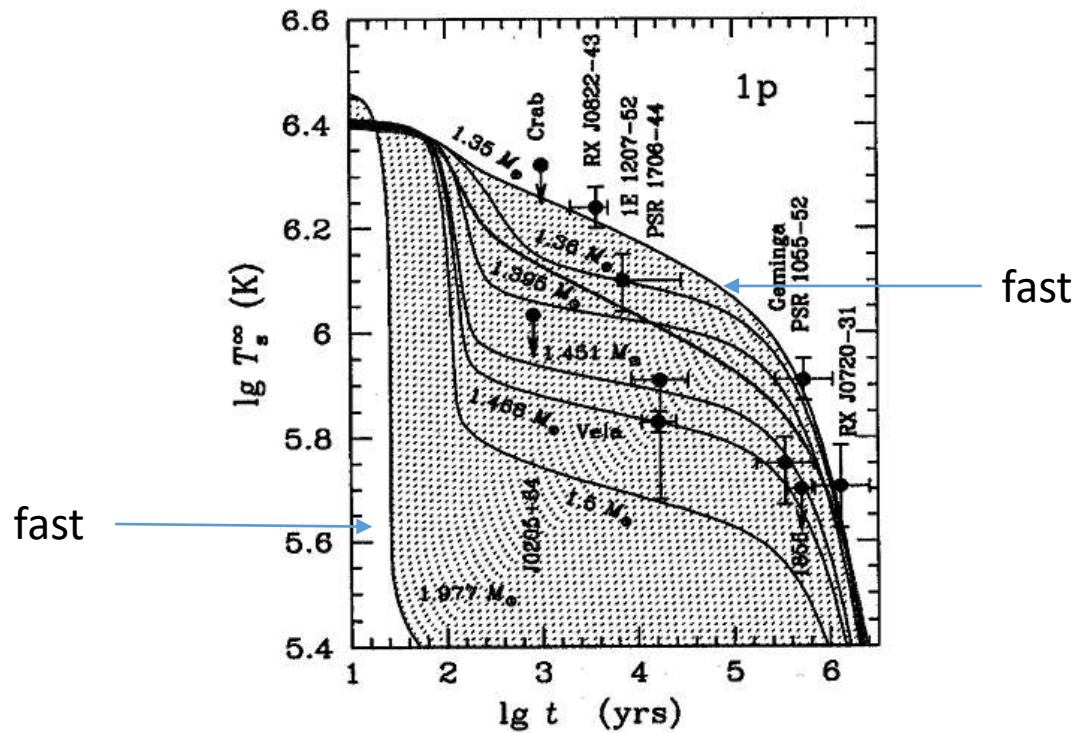
Energy Gap $\Delta(x)$



Superfluidity in Neutron Stars



cooling



Anomalously large post-glitch relaxation time

Superfluidity in Neutron Stars

- selected papers -

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M. Baldo, U. Lombardo, E.E. Saperstein and S.V. Tolokonnikov,
Nucl. Phys. A 750 (2005) 409.*

***Elementary excitations** in homogeneous superfluid neutron star matter :
M. Baldo and C. Ducoin
Phys. Rev. C84, 035806 (2011); C96, 025811 (2017); C99, 025801 (2019)*

*The neutron star **in Cassiopeia A** : equation of state, superfluidity and Joule heating,
A. Bonanno, M. Baldo, G.F. Burgio and V. Urpin,
Astronomy & Astrophysics 561, L5 (2014)*



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Long Live Marcello!