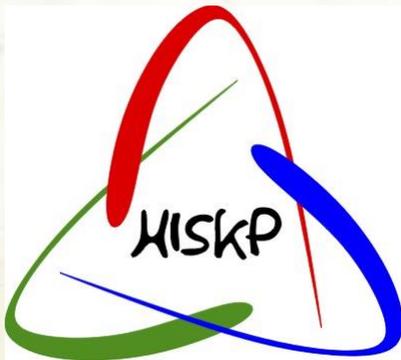


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# *Ab initio* calculation of hyper-matter and the hyperon puzzle

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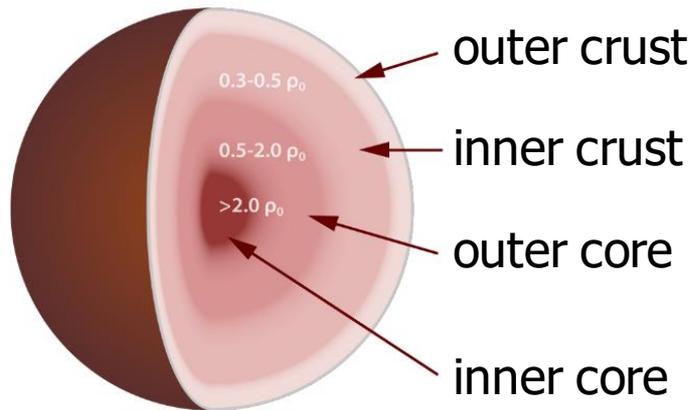
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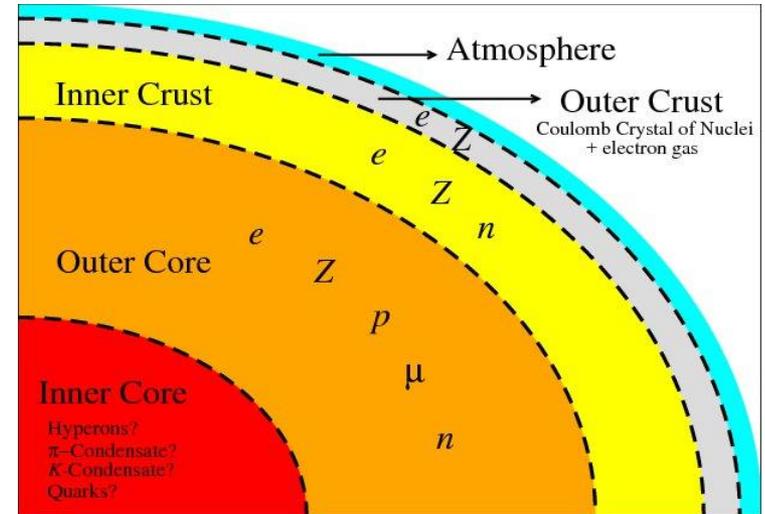
# Neutron star

🦋 Neutron stars are one of the densest massive objects in the universe.

✧ *J. M. Lattimer, et al., Science 304, 536 (2004)*



✧ *Figure from [www.Universe.com](http://www.Universe.com)*

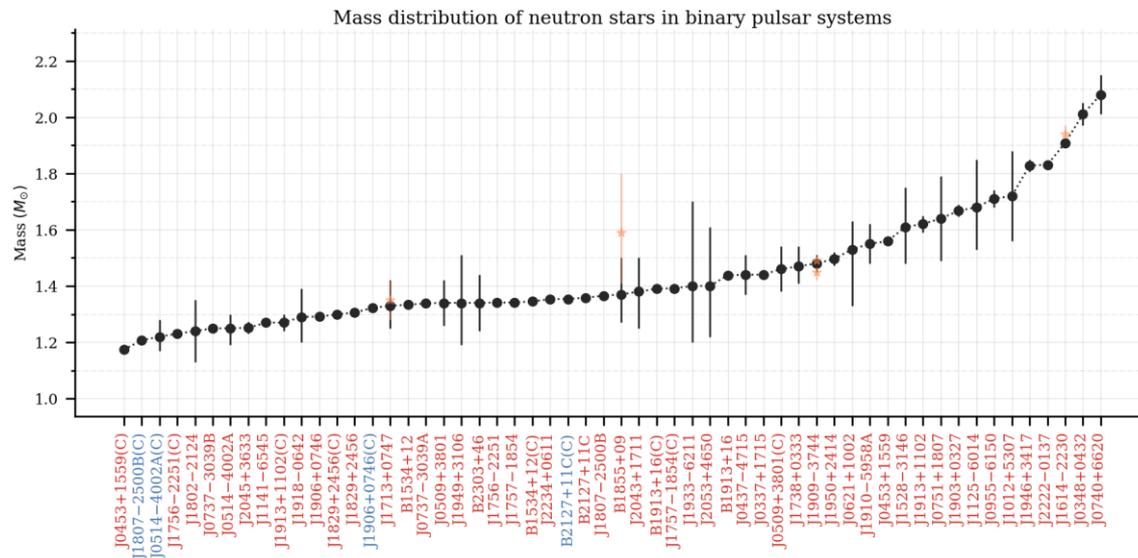


✧ *Figure from J. Piekarewicz*

- ① Usually refer to a star with a mass  $M$  on the order of 1-2 solar masses, a radius  $R$  of 10-12 km.
- ② The central density can reach several times the empirical nuclear matter saturation density ( $\rho_0 \approx 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}$ ).

# Observations of Neutron stars

## *Mass* measurements



★ *Figure from Vivek V. Krishnan*

 The mass and *radius* of PSR J0030+0451 were simultaneously measured by the NICER collaboration.

★ *Raaijmakers, et al., ApJ 887, L22 (2019)*

 The gravitational wave (GW) signal provides the astrophysical measurements of masses, *tidal deformabilities*, etc.

★ *B. P. Abbott, et al., PRL 119, 161101 (2017)*



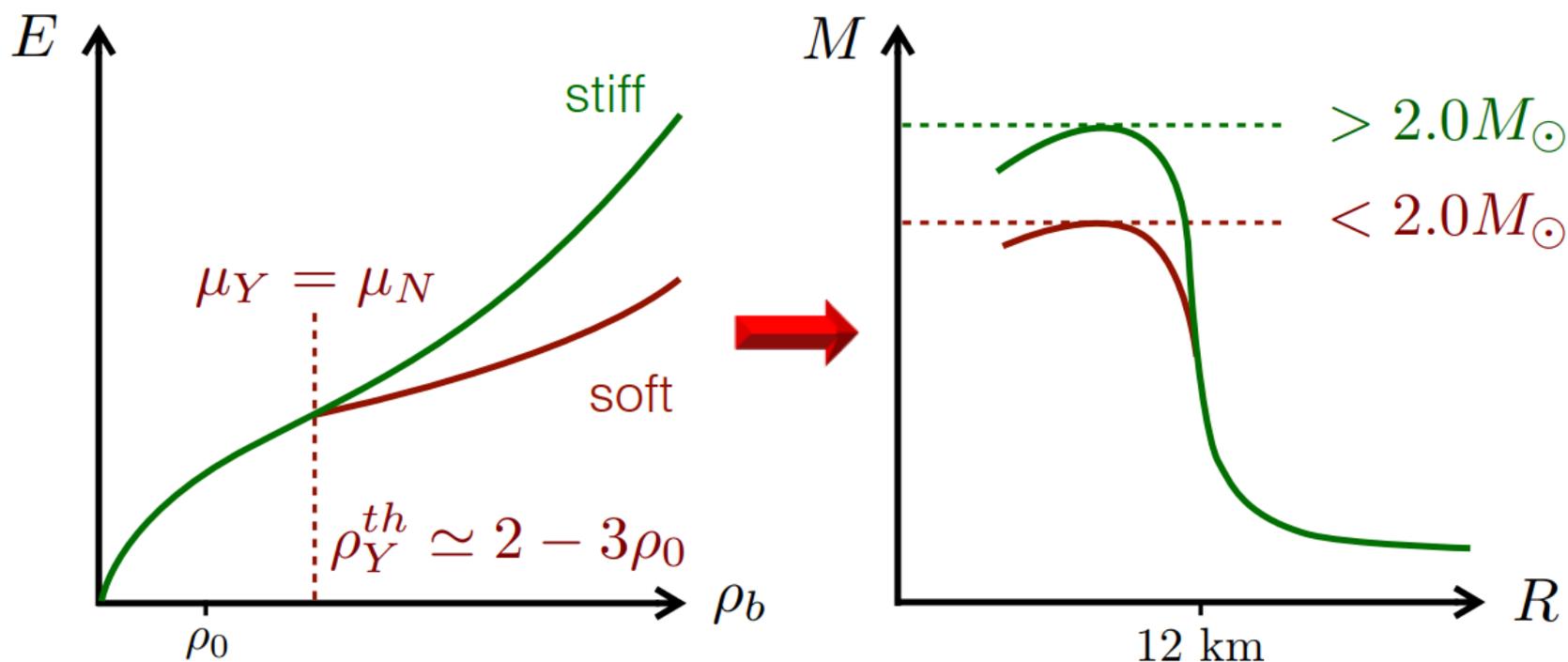
★ *Figure from NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center*

# Hyperon puzzle

Some of the nuclear many-body approaches, such as Hartree-Fock and Brueckner-Hartree-Fock, predict the appearance of hyperons at a density of  $(2 - 3)\rho_0$ , and a **softening** of the EoS, implying a reduction of the maximum mass.

★ *H. Dapo, et al., PRC 81, 035803 (2010)*

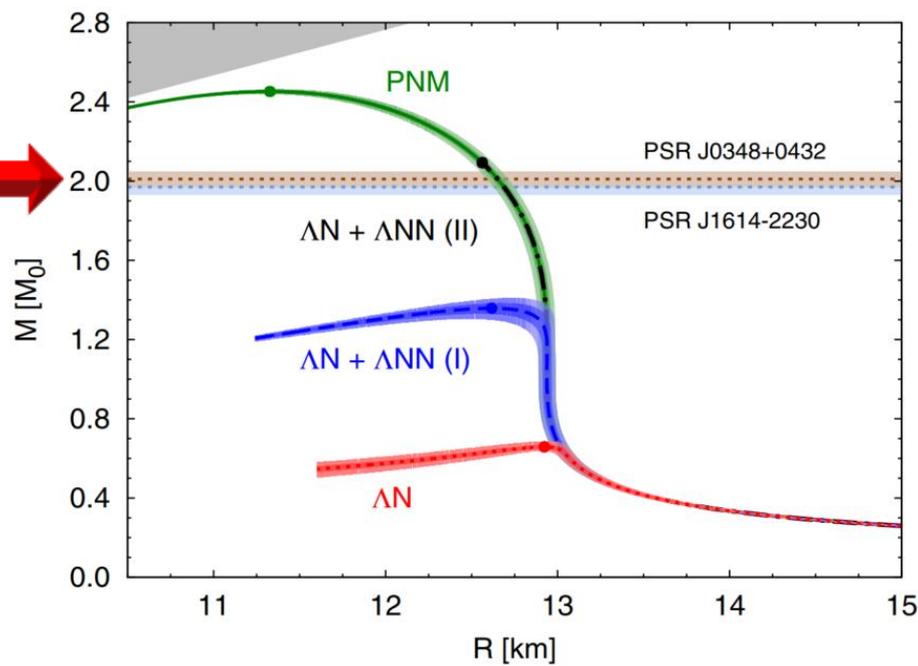
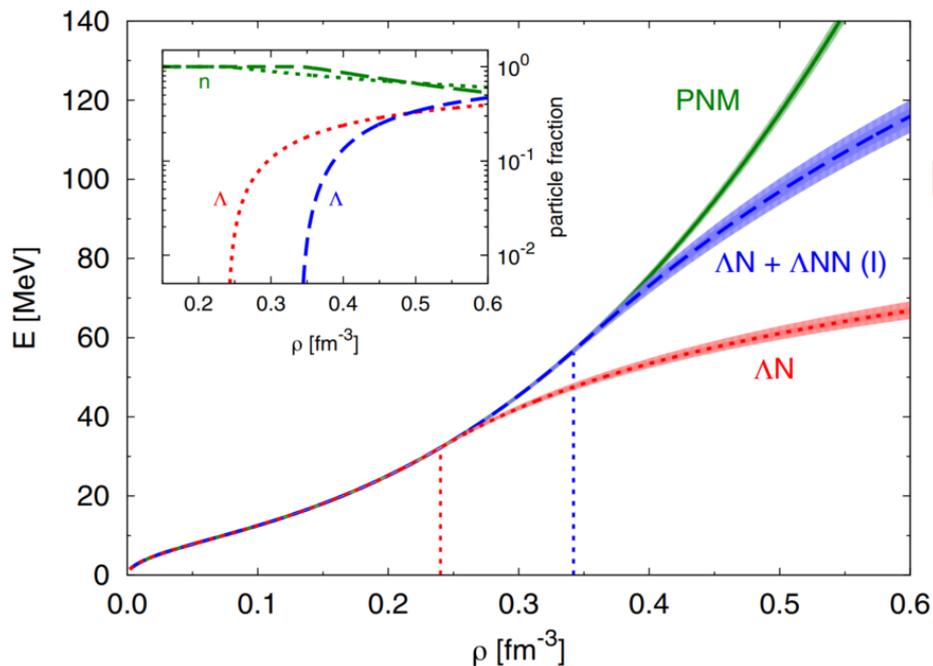
★ *H.-J. Schulze and T. Rijken, PRC 84, 035801 (2011)*



★ *Figure from D. Lonardoni*

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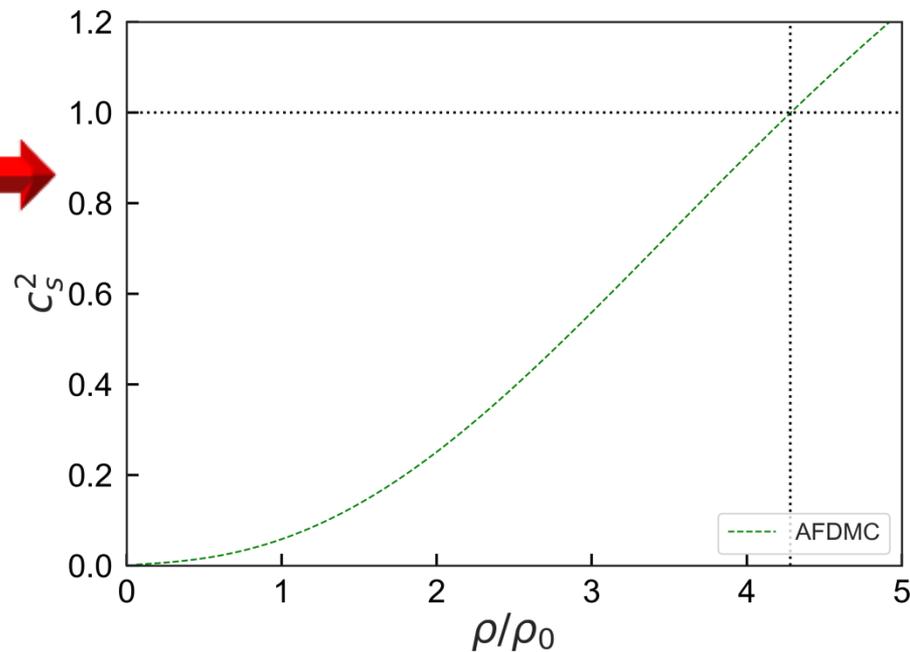
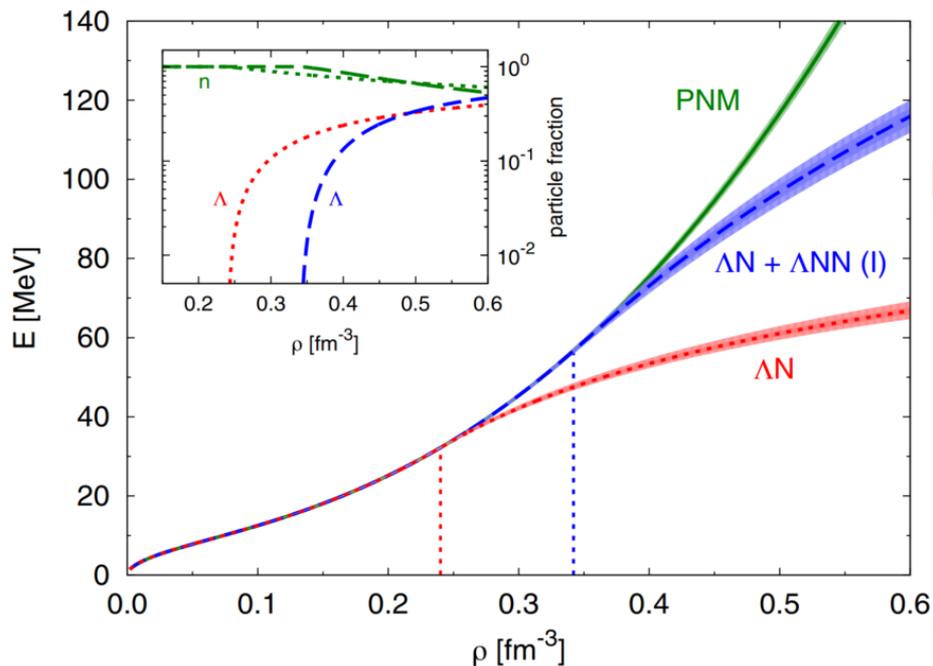


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# SU(4)-invariant leading order EFT

## Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{SU}(4)} = H_{\text{free}} + \frac{1}{2!} C_{NN} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \tilde{\rho}_N(\mathbf{n})^2 + \frac{1}{3!} C_{3N} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{n})^3,$$

the density operator  $\tilde{\rho}_N(\mathbf{n})$  is defined as

$$\tilde{\rho}_N(\mathbf{n}) = \sum_{i,j} \tilde{a}_{i,j}^\dagger(\mathbf{n}) \tilde{a}_{i,j}(\mathbf{n}) + s_L^{NN} \sum_{|\mathbf{n}'-\mathbf{n}|=1} \sum_{i,j} \tilde{a}_{i,j}^\dagger(\mathbf{n}') \tilde{a}_{i,j}(\mathbf{n}'),$$

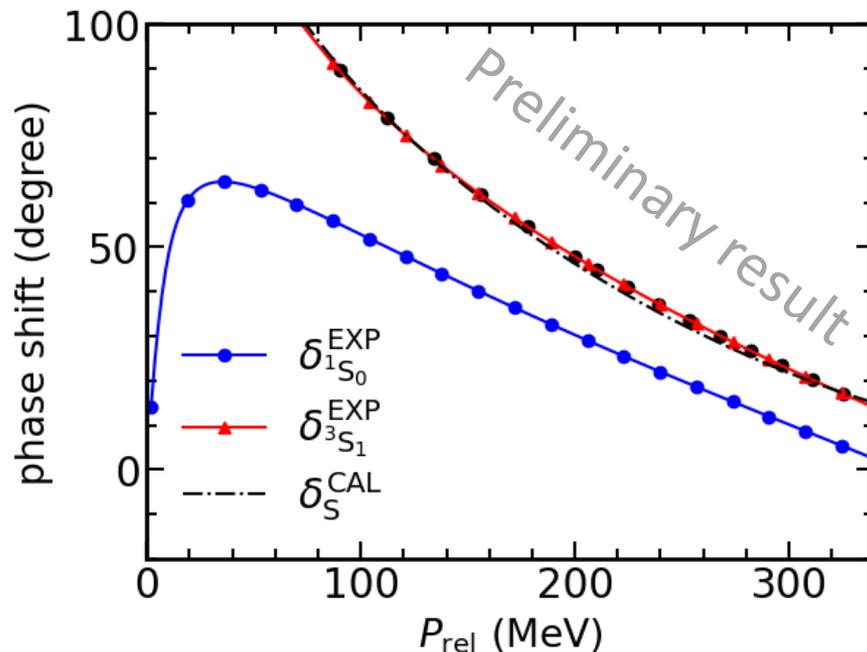
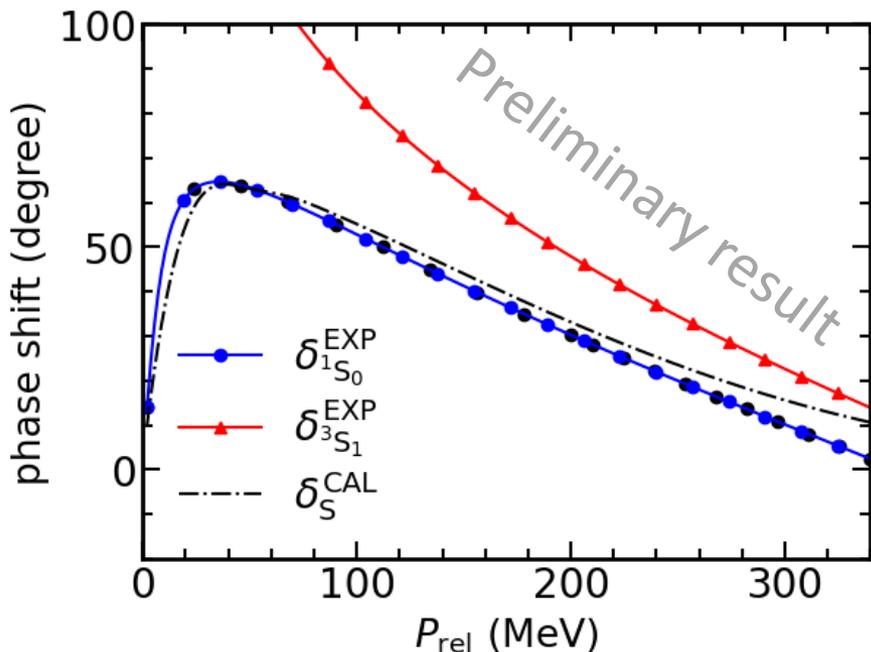
where  $i$  is the spin index,  $j$  is the isospin index. The smeared annihilation and creation operators are defined as

$$\tilde{a}_{i,j}(\mathbf{n}) = a_{i,j}(\mathbf{n}) + s_{NL}^{NN} \sum_{|\mathbf{n}'-\mathbf{n}|=1} a_{i,j}(\mathbf{n}').$$

The parameter  $s_L$  is a local smearing parameter,  $s_{NL}$  is a nonlocal smearing parameter,  $C_{NN}$  and  $C_{3N}$  gives the strength of the two-body and three-body interaction.

# Phase shift

The  $C_{NN}$  couplings are determined by fitting the phase shift.



The  $C_{3N}$  are determined by the empirical value for nuclear matter.

The Galilean invariance restoration for each channel are obtained by tuning  $C_{GIR,i}$  ( $i = 0,1,2$ ) with the constraint

$$C_{GIR,0} + 6C_{GIR,1} + 12C_{GIR,2} = 0$$

# EoS with hyperons

## Hamiltonian

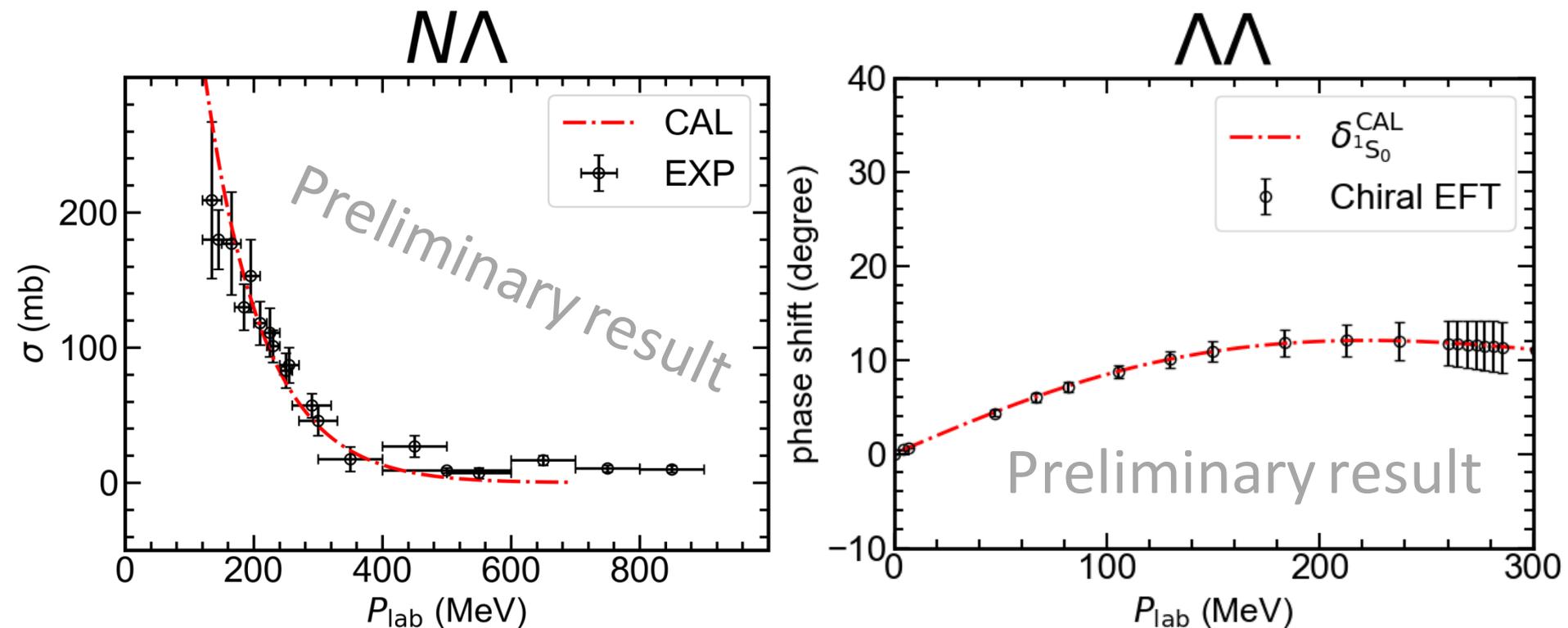
$$\begin{aligned} H = & H_{\text{free}}^N + H_{\text{free}}^\Lambda \\ & + \frac{1}{2!} C_{NN} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \left[ \tilde{\rho}_N(\mathbf{n}) + \frac{C_{N\Lambda}}{C_{NN}} \tilde{\rho}_\Lambda(\mathbf{n}) \right]^2 \\ & + \frac{1}{2!} \left( C_{\Lambda\Lambda} - \frac{C_{N\Lambda}^2}{C_{NN}} \right) \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \tilde{\rho}_\Lambda(\mathbf{n}) \tilde{\rho}_\Lambda(\mathbf{n}), \\ & + \frac{1}{3!} C_{3N} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \tilde{\rho}_N(\mathbf{n})^3 + \frac{1}{2!} C_{N\Lambda\Lambda} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \tilde{\rho}_N(\mathbf{n})^2 \tilde{\rho}_\Lambda(\mathbf{n}) + \frac{1}{2!} C_{N\Lambda\Lambda} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \tilde{\rho}_N(\mathbf{n}) \tilde{\rho}_\Lambda^2(\mathbf{n}) \end{aligned}$$

$C_{N\Lambda}$ ,  $C_{\Lambda\Lambda}$ ,  $C_{N\Lambda\Lambda}$ ,  $C_{NN\Lambda}$  give the strength of the two-body and three-body interactions. The simulation of systems with both neutrons and  $\Lambda$  hyperons can be achieved by using a single auxiliary field.

# Phase shift with hyperons

  $C_{N\Lambda}$  is determined by fitting the cross section, and  $C_{\Lambda\Lambda}$  by fitting the phase shift ( $^1S_0$ ).

*\*J. Haidenbauer, Ulf-G. Meißner, and S. Petschauer, Nucl. Phys. A 954, 273 (2016).*



 The  $C_{NN\Lambda}$  and  $C_{N\Lambda\Lambda}$  are determined by the separation energy for single  $\Lambda$  and double  $\Lambda$  hyper-nuclei.

# Neutron Star EoS

 The energy density can be obtained as

$$\varepsilon_{\text{HNM}} = \rho \left[ E_{\text{HNM}}(\rho_n, \rho_\Lambda) / N + \frac{\rho_n}{\rho} m_n + \frac{\rho_\Lambda}{\rho} m_\Lambda \right],$$

the chemical potentials for neutrons and lambdas are evaluated via

$$\mu_n(\rho, x) = \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{\text{HNM}}}{\partial \rho_n}, \quad \mu_\Lambda(\rho, x) = \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{\text{HNM}}}{\partial \rho_\Lambda},$$

the  $\Lambda$  threshold density  $\rho_\Lambda^{\text{th}}$  is determined by imposing  $\mu_\Lambda = \mu_n$ , and the pressure is defined as

$$P(\rho) = \rho^2 \frac{d}{d\rho} \frac{\varepsilon_{\text{HNM}}}{\rho} = \sum_{i=n,\Lambda} \rho_i \mu_i - \varepsilon_{\text{HNM}}.$$

# Neutron Star properties

## Tolman-Oppenheimer-Volkoff (TOV) equations

★ *R. C. Tolman, Phys. Rev. 55, 364 (1939)* ★ *J. R. Oppenheimer and G. M. Volkoff, Phys. Rev. 55, 374 (1939)*

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

where  $P(r)$  is the pressure, and  $M(r)$  is the total star mass.

## Neutron star tidal deformability $\Lambda$

★ *E. E. Flanagan and T. Hinderer, PRD 77, 021502 (2008)* ★ *T. Hinderer, ApJ 677, 1216 (2008)*

$$\Lambda = \frac{2}{3} k_2 \left( \frac{R}{M} \right)^5,$$

where  $k_2$  is the second Love number

$$k_2 = \frac{1}{20} \left( \frac{2M}{R} \right)^5 \left( 1 - \frac{2M}{R} \right)^2 \left[ 2 - y_R + (y_R - 1) \frac{2M}{R} \right] \times \left\{ \frac{2M}{R} \left( 6 - 3y_R + \frac{3M}{R} (5y_R - 8) \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{2M}{R} \right)^2 \left[ 26 - 22y_R + \frac{2M}{R} (3y_R - 2) + \left( \frac{2M}{R} \right)^2 (1 + y_R) \right] \right\} + 3 \left( 1 - \frac{2M}{R} \right)^2 \\ \times \left[ 2 - y_R + (y_R - 1) \frac{2M}{R} \right] \log \left( 1 - \frac{2M}{R} \right) \Big\}^{-1}.$$

# The moment of inertia



In the slow-rotation approximation, the moment of inertia is given by

✧ *F. J. Fattoyev and J. Piekarewicz, Phys. Rev. C 82, 025810 (2010)*

$$I = \frac{8\pi}{3} \int_0^R r^4 e^{-\nu(r)} \frac{\bar{\omega}(r)}{\Omega} \frac{\varepsilon(r) + P(r)}{\sqrt{1 - 2M(r)/r}} dr$$

The quantity  $\nu(r)$  is a radially dependent metric function is defined as

$$\nu(r) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( 1 - \frac{2M}{R} \right) - \int_r^R \frac{M(x) + 4\pi x^3 P(x)}{x^2 [1 - 2M(x)/x]} dx$$

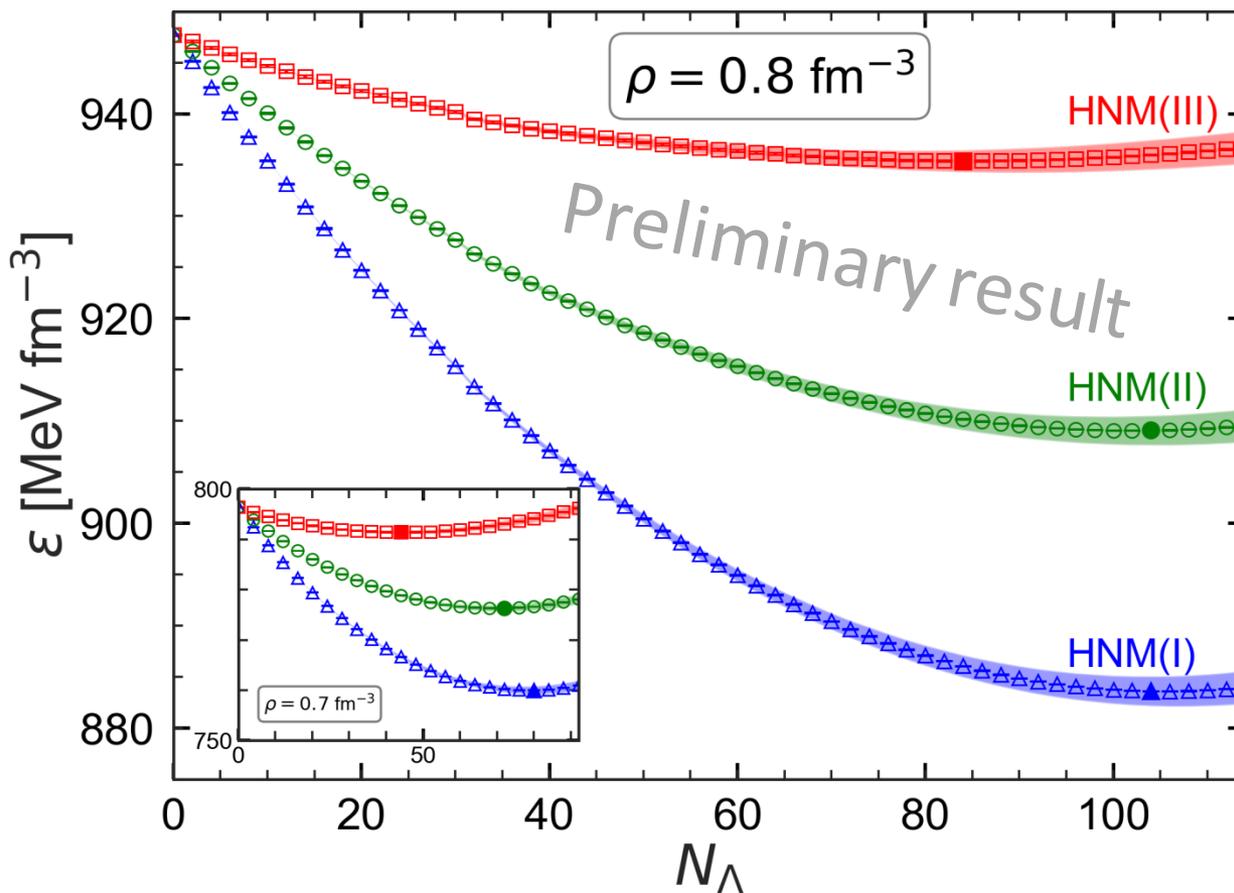
The frame-dragging angular velocity  $\bar{\omega}$  is usually obtained by the dimensionless relative frequency  $\tilde{\omega} \equiv \bar{\omega}/\Omega$ , which satisfies

$$\frac{d}{dr} \left[ r^4 j(r) \frac{d\tilde{\omega}(r)}{dr} \right] + 4r^3 \frac{dj(r)}{dr} \tilde{\omega}(r) = 0$$

where

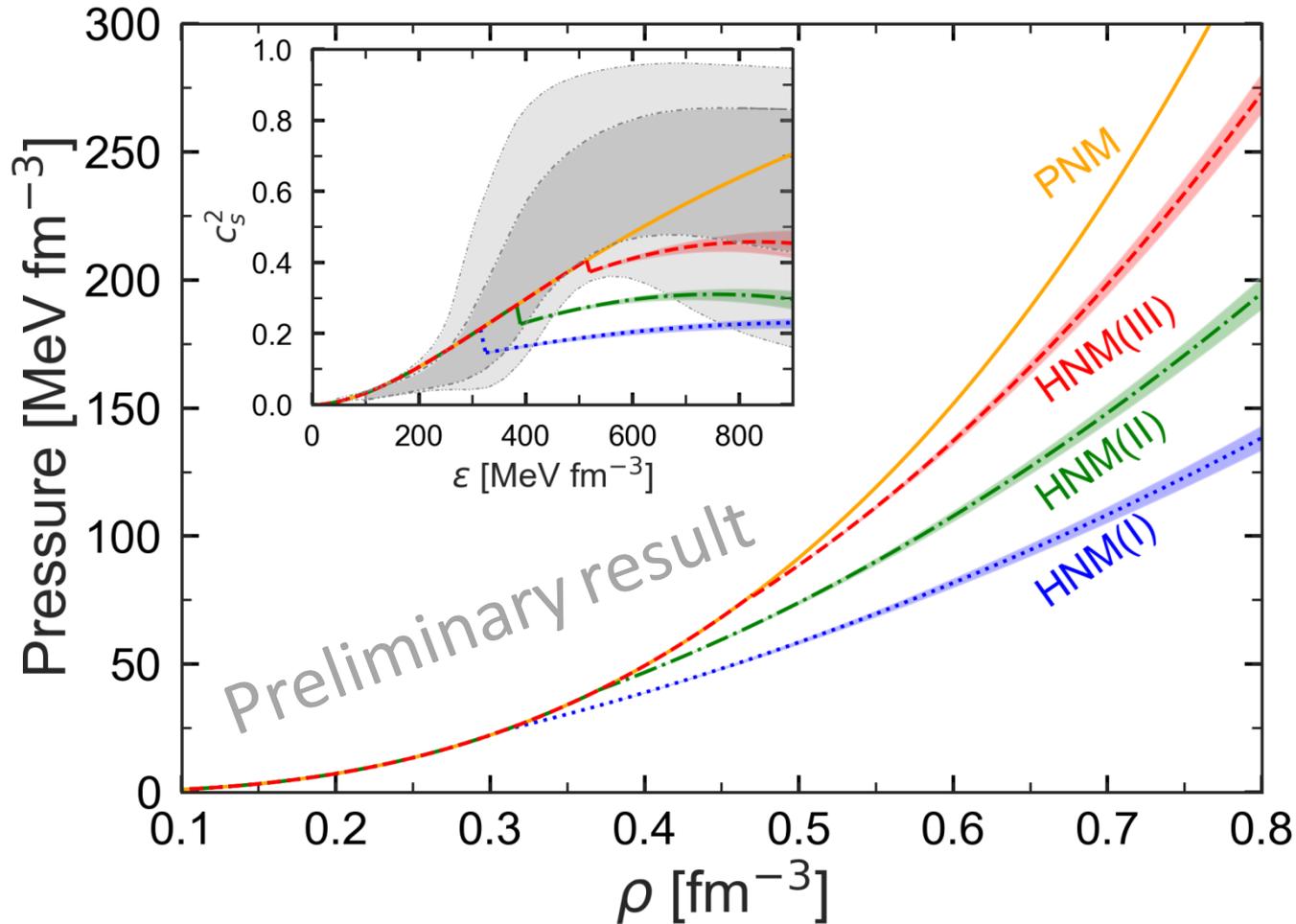
$$j(r) = e^{-\nu(r)} \sqrt{1 - 2M(r)/r}$$

# Energy density for different number of hyperons



- ① ***Different number of hyperons can be simulated in our calculations.***
- ② Only  $N_n=66,54,38$  and  $N_\Lambda=1,2,14$  are used in AFDMC.
- ③ HNM(I,II,III) have different couplings for  $NN\Lambda$  and  $N\Lambda\Lambda$  interactions.

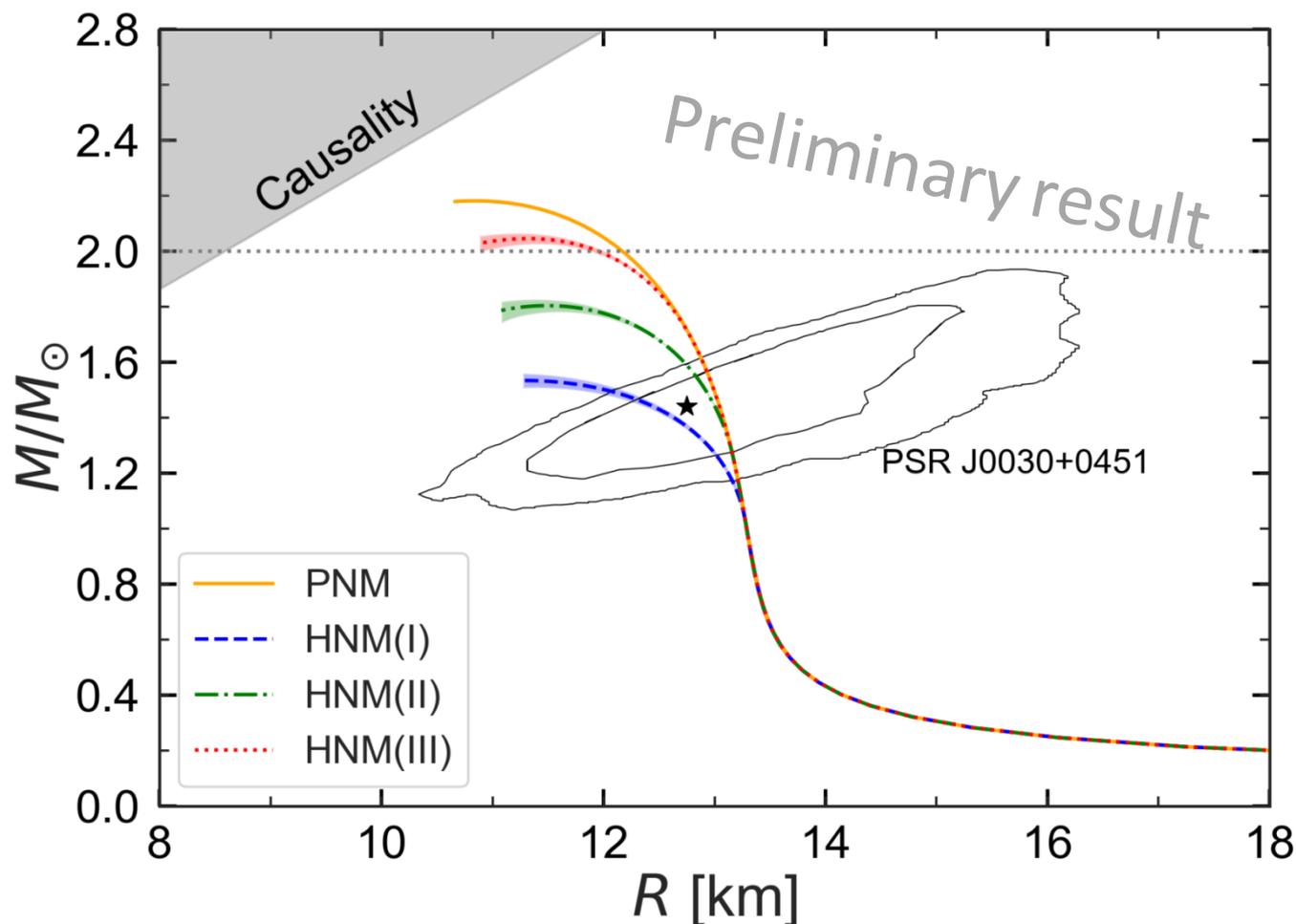
# Equation of State for hyper-neutron matter



① HNM(I):  $\rho_{\Lambda}^{th} = 0.33(1) \text{ fm}^{-3}$ , HNM(II):  $\rho_{\Lambda}^{th} = 0.38(1) \text{ fm}^{-3}$ , HNM(III):  $\rho_{\Lambda}^{th} = 0.48(1) \text{ fm}^{-3}$

② AFDMC : AV8'+3N interaction inspired by the Urbana IX and the Illinois models

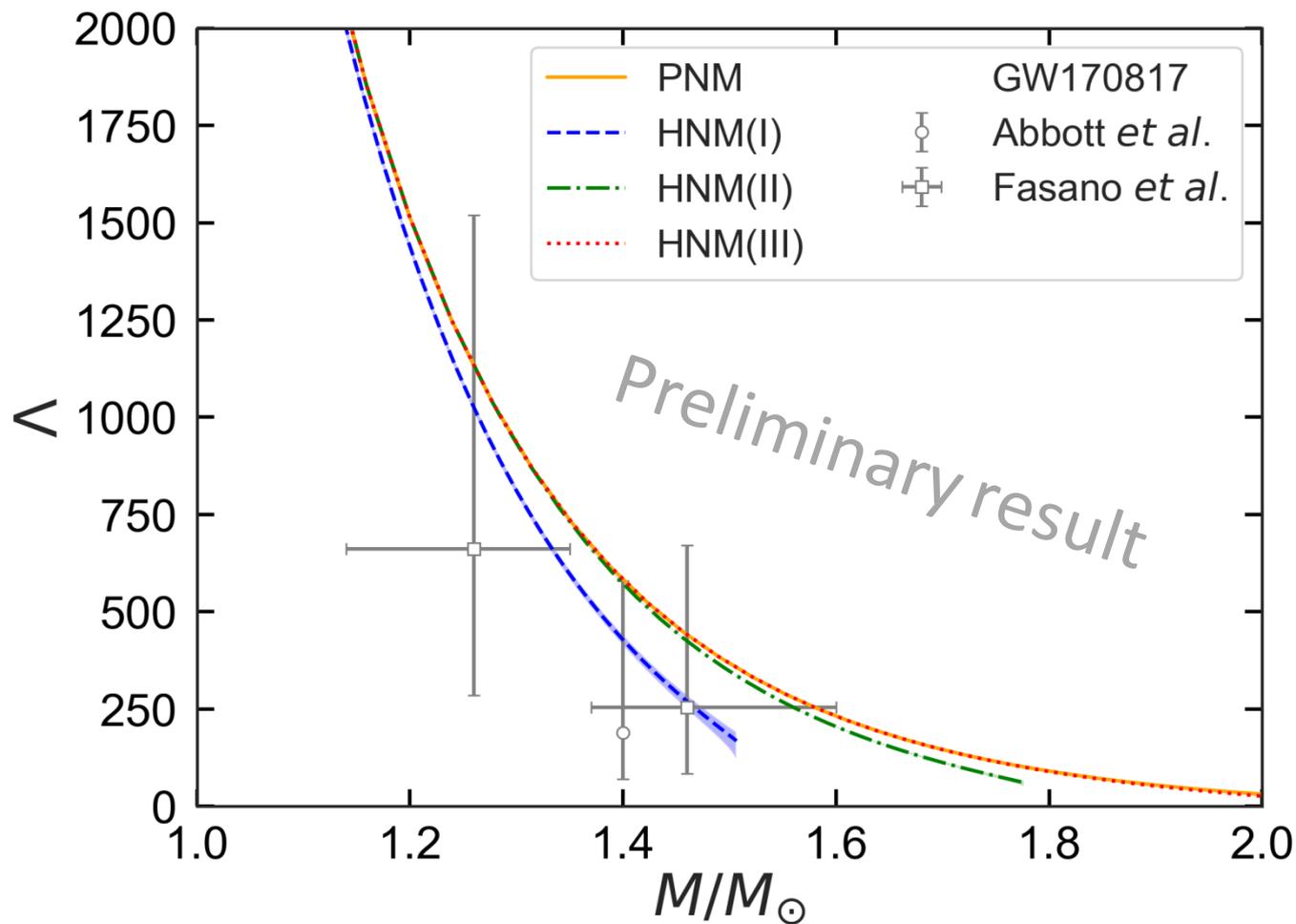
# Neutron star Mass and radius



① HNM(I):  $M_{\max} = 1.53(3)M_{\odot}$ , HNM(II):  $M_{\max} = 1.80(3)M_{\odot}$ , HNM(III):  $M_{\max} = 2.05(3)M_{\odot}$

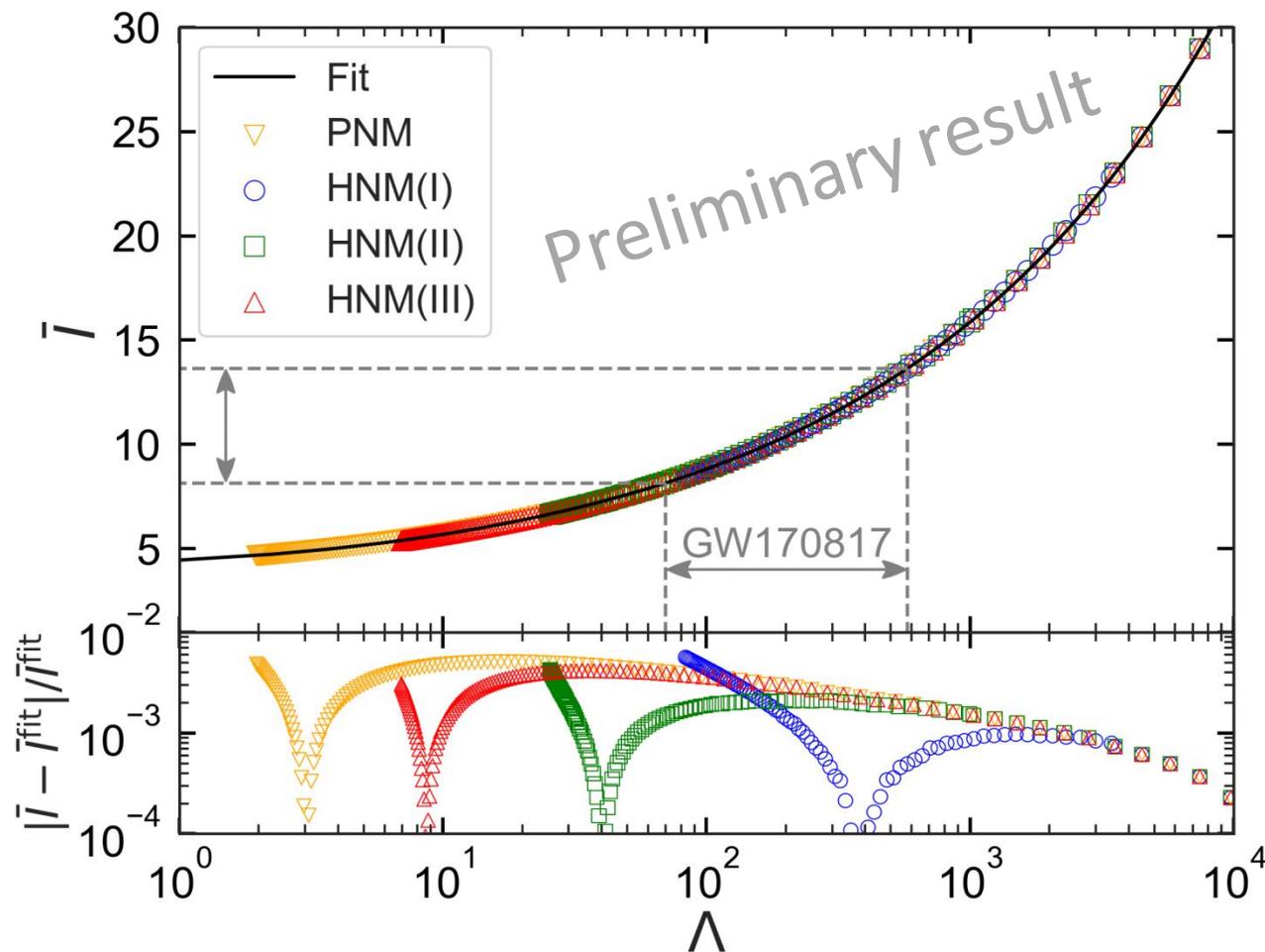
② PSR J0030+0451 : pulsar observed by the Neutron Star Interior Composition Explorer (NICER).

# Neutron star tidal deformability



- ① The tidal deformability  $\Lambda$  are consistent with astrophysical observations GW170817

# Universal relations I-Love-Q



①  $\bar{I}$  is the dimensionless quantities for the moment of inertia,  $8.2 < \bar{I} < 13.7$

② Fitting function

★ K. Yagi and N. Yunes, *Science* 341, 365 (2013)

$$\ln y_i = a_i + b_i \ln x_i + c_i (\ln x_i)^2 + d_i (\ln x_i)^3 + e_i (\ln x_i)^4$$

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# Summary and Outlook

- ① Simulations for different number of hyperons and neutrons can be achieved from our *ab initio* calculations, and hence the neutron star EoS are calculated precisely.
- ② The three-body hyperon-nucleon interaction plays an important role for the maximum mass. HNM(III) is the best solution for hyperon puzzle in our simulation.
- ③ The universal relation is found for hyper-neutron matter in *ab initio* calculations.

- ① Include protons in our hyper-neutron system

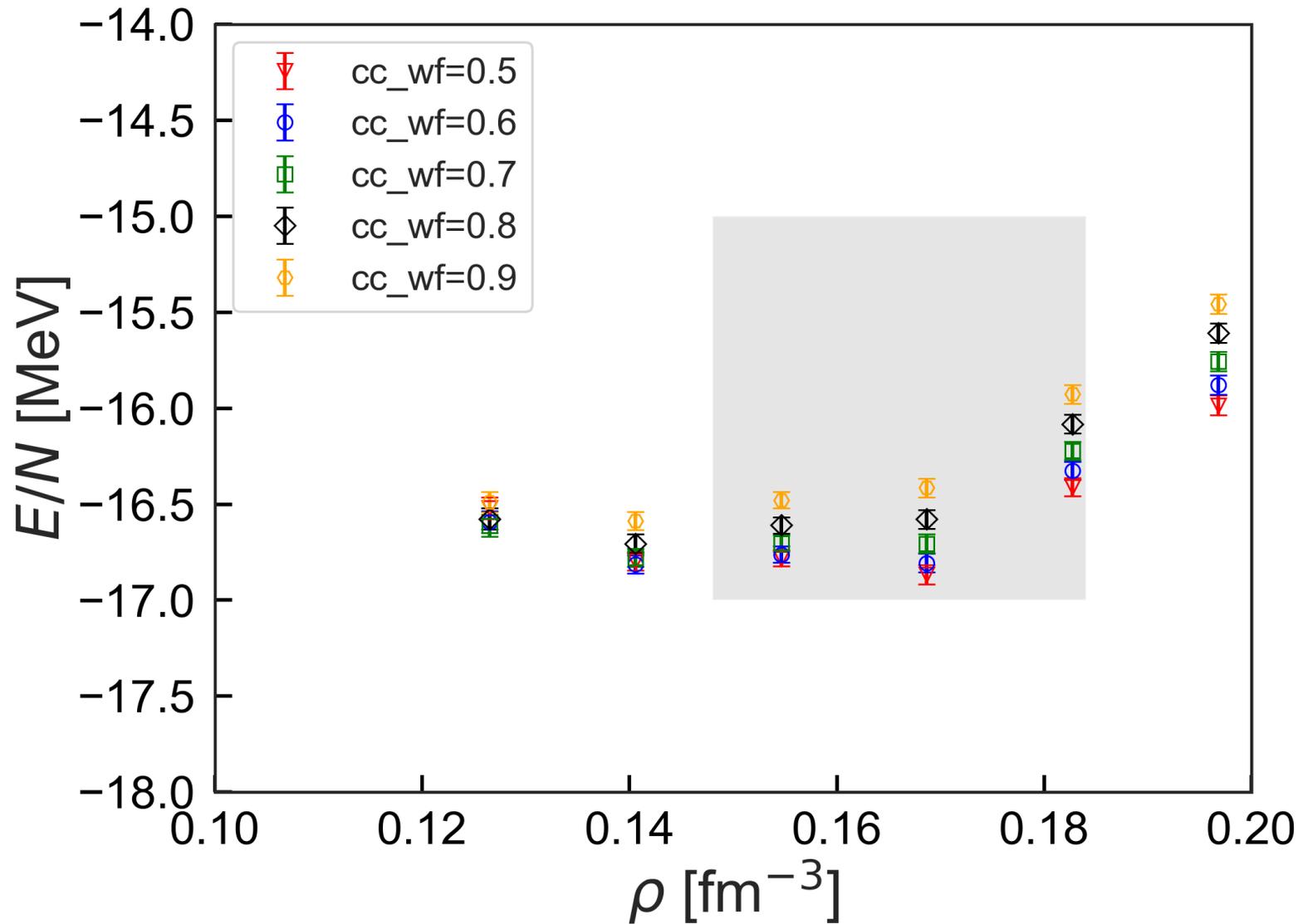
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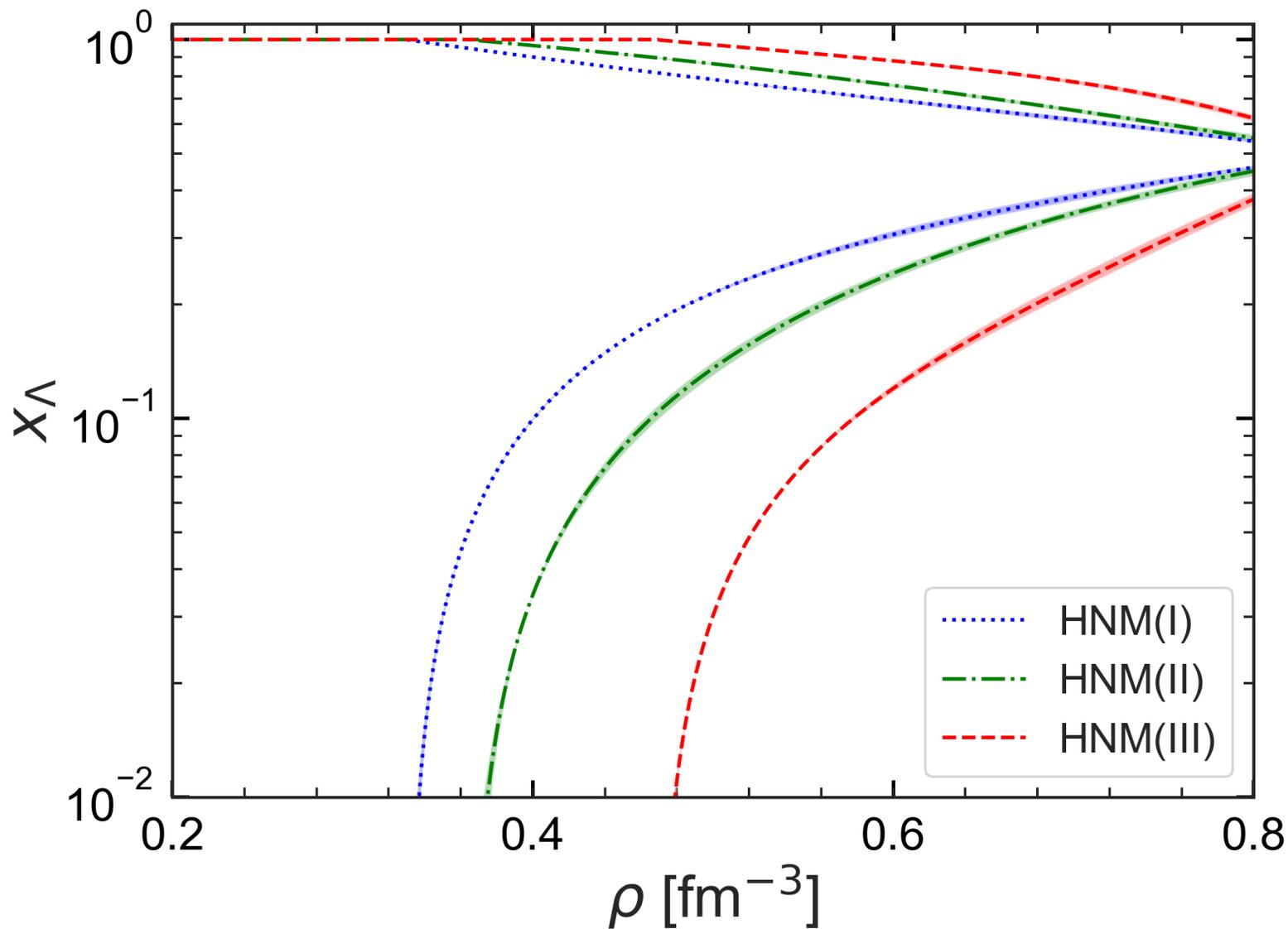
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# *Appendix*

# Symmetric nuclear matter



# Fraction

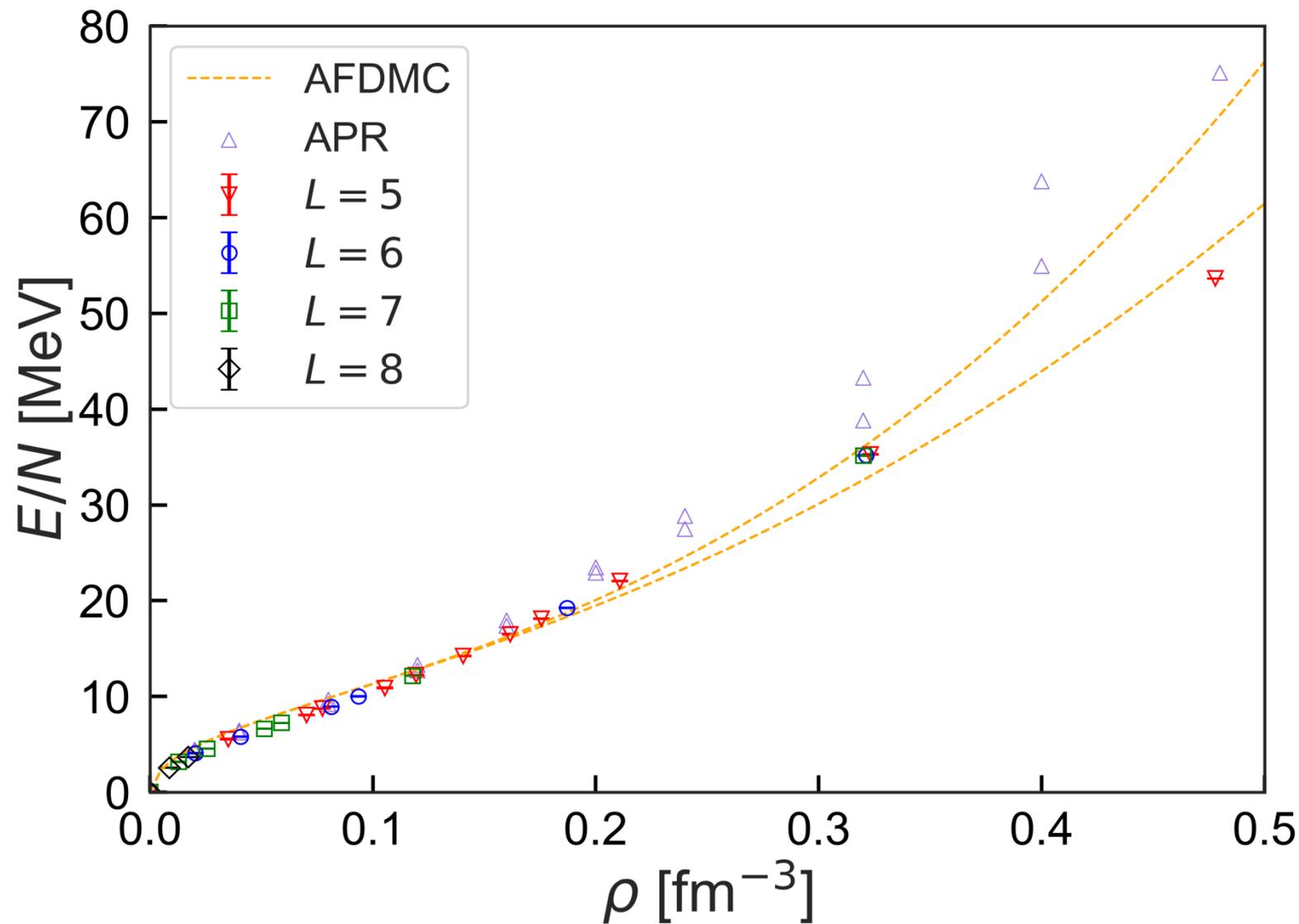


# Hyper-Nuclei

Separation Energy $B_\Lambda$			
	${}^5_\Lambda\text{He}$	${}^9_\Lambda\text{Be}$	${}^{13}_\Lambda\text{C}$
NLEFT	$3.104 \pm 0.086$	$6.641 \pm 0.127$	$11.712 \pm 0.144$
EXP.	$3.102 \pm 0.030$	$6.614 \pm 0.072$	$11.797 \pm 0.157$

Separation Energy $B_{\Lambda\Lambda}$		
	${}^6_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{He}$	${}^{10}_{\Lambda\Lambda}\text{Be}$
NLEFT	$6.961 \pm 0.087$	$14.349 \pm 0.128$
EXP.	$6.910 \pm 0.160$	$14.700 \pm 0.400$

# Finite volume



# 2B and 3B interaction in AFDMC

For the hyperon sector, we adopted the **phenomenological hyperon-nucleon potential** that was first introduced by Bodmer, Usmani, and Carlson in a similar fashion to the Argonne and Urbana interactions [44]. It has been employed in several calculations of light hypernuclei [45–51] and, more recently, to study the structure of light and medium mass  $\Lambda$  hypernuclei [34,35]. **The two-body  $\Lambda N$  interaction,  $v_{\lambda i}$ , includes central and spin-spin components and it has been fitted on the available hyperon-nucleon scattering data.** A charge symmetry breaking term was introduced in order to describe the energy splitting in the mirror  $\Lambda$  hypernuclei for  $A = 4$  [34,47]. **The three-body  $\Lambda NN$  force,  $v_{\lambda ij}$ , includes contributions coming from  $P$ - and  $S$ -wave  $2\pi$  exchange plus a phenomenological repulsive term.** In this work we have considered two different parametrizations of the  $\Lambda NN$  force.

The authors of Ref. [49] reported a parametrization, hereafter referred to as parametrization (I), that simultaneously reproduces the hyperon separation energy of  ${}^5_{\Lambda}\text{He}$  and  ${}^{17}_{\Lambda}\text{O}$  obtained using variational Monte Carlo techniques. In Ref. [34], a diffusion Monte Carlo study of a wide range of  $\Lambda$  hypernuclei up to  $A = 91$  has been performed. Within that framework, **additional repulsion has been included** in order to satisfactorily reproduce the experimental hyperon separation energies. We refer to this model of  $\Lambda NN$  interaction as parametrization (II).

No  $\Lambda\Lambda$  potential has been included in the calculation. Its determination is limited by the fact that  $\Lambda\Lambda$  scattering data are not available and experimental information about double  $\Lambda$  hypernuclei is scarce. The most advanced theoretical works discussing  $\Lambda\Lambda$  force [52,53], show that it is indeed rather weak. Hence, its effect is believed to be negligible for the purpose of this work. Self-bound multi-strange systems have been investigated within the relativistic mean field framework [54–56]. However, hyperons other than  $\Lambda$  have not been taken into account in the present study due to the lack of potential models suitable for quantum Monte Carlo calculations.

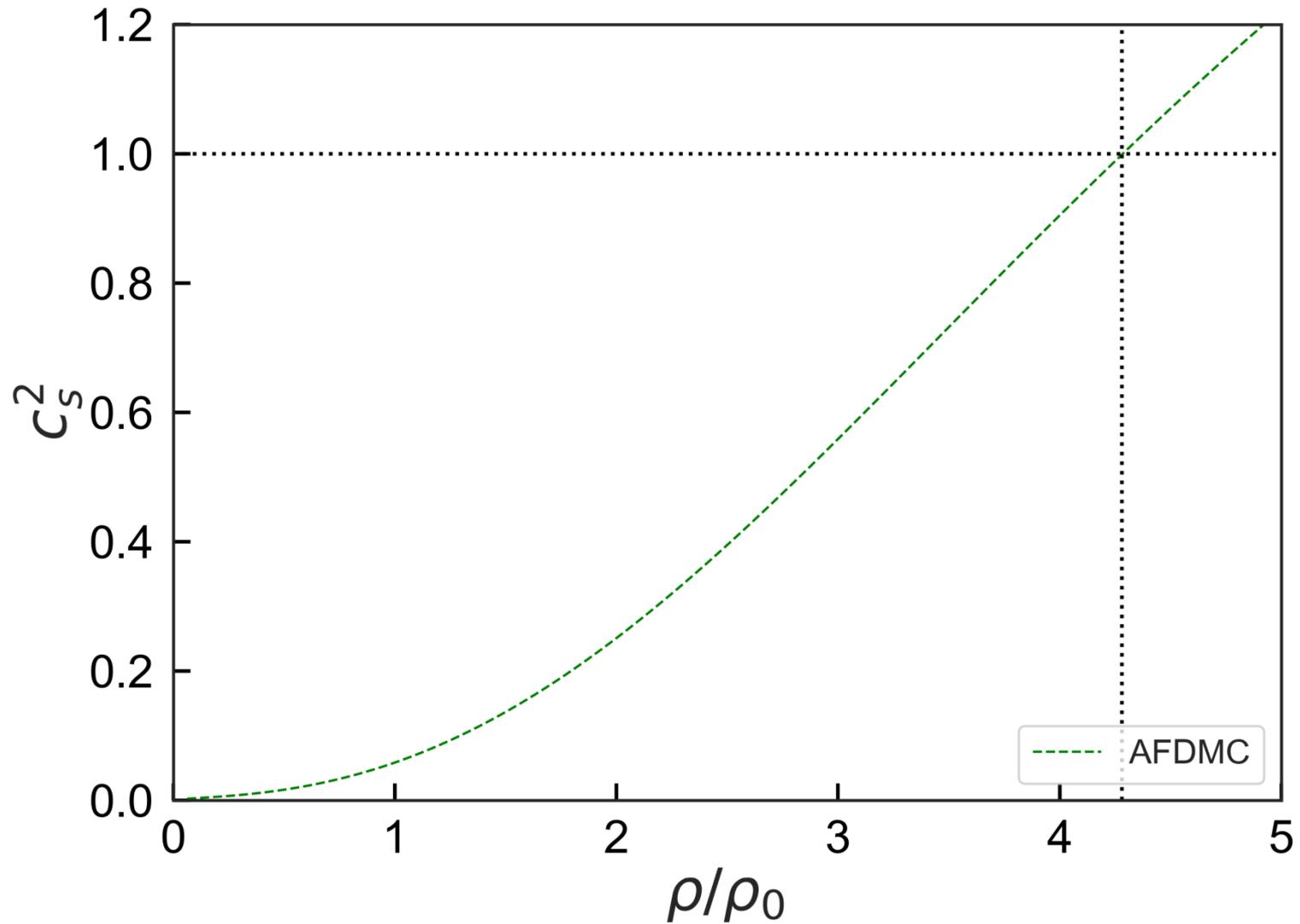
# Parameterization in AFDMC

$\rho_\Lambda = x\rho$  are the neutron and hyperon densities, respectively. The energy per particle can be written as

$$E_{\text{HNM}}(\rho, x) = [E_{\text{PNM}}((1-x)\rho) + m_n](1-x) + [E_{\text{P}\Lambda\text{M}}(x\rho) + m_\Lambda]x + f(\rho, x). \quad (2)$$

We parametrized the energy of pure lambda matter  $E_{\text{P}\Lambda\text{M}}$  with the Fermi gas energy of noninteracting  $\Lambda$  particles. Such a formulation is suggested by the fact that in the Hamiltonian of Eq. (1) there is no  $\Lambda\Lambda$  potential. The reason for parametrizing the energy per particle of hyperneutron matter as in Eq. (2) lies in the fact that, within AFDMC calculations,  $E_{\text{HNM}}(\rho, x)$  can be easily evaluated only for a discrete set of  $x$  values. They correspond to a different number of neutrons ( $N_n = 66, 54, 38$ ) and hyperons ( $N_\Lambda = 1, 2, 14$ ) in the simulation box giving momentum closed shells. Hence, the function  $f(\rho, x)$  provides an analytical parametrization for the difference between Monte Carlo energies of hyperneutron matter and pure neutron matter in the  $(\rho, x)$  domain that we have considered. Corrections for the finite-size effects due to the

# Speed of Sound



# Many body calculations and NN Interactions

- ① Density functional theories (DFTs) with effective nucleon–nucleon (NN) interactions
- ② *ab initio* methods with realistic ones

## Realistic Interaction

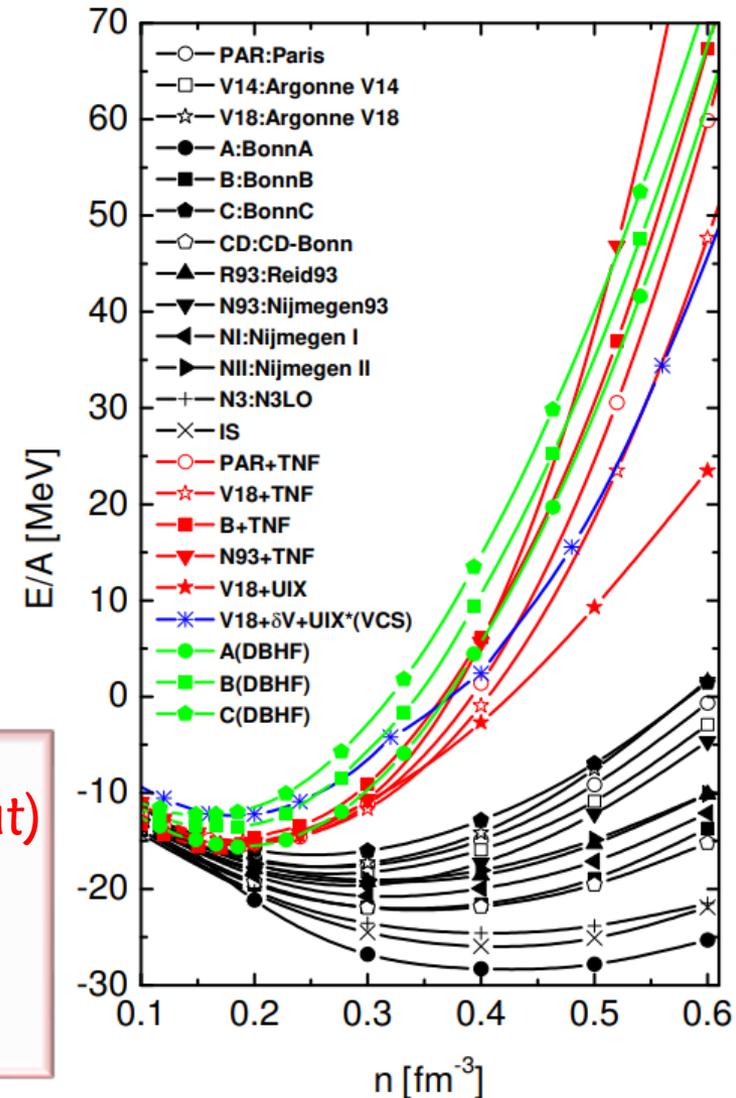
AV18, CD-Bonn,  
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## Many-body method

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QMC, IM-SRG, BBG,  
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✓ EoS with (without)  
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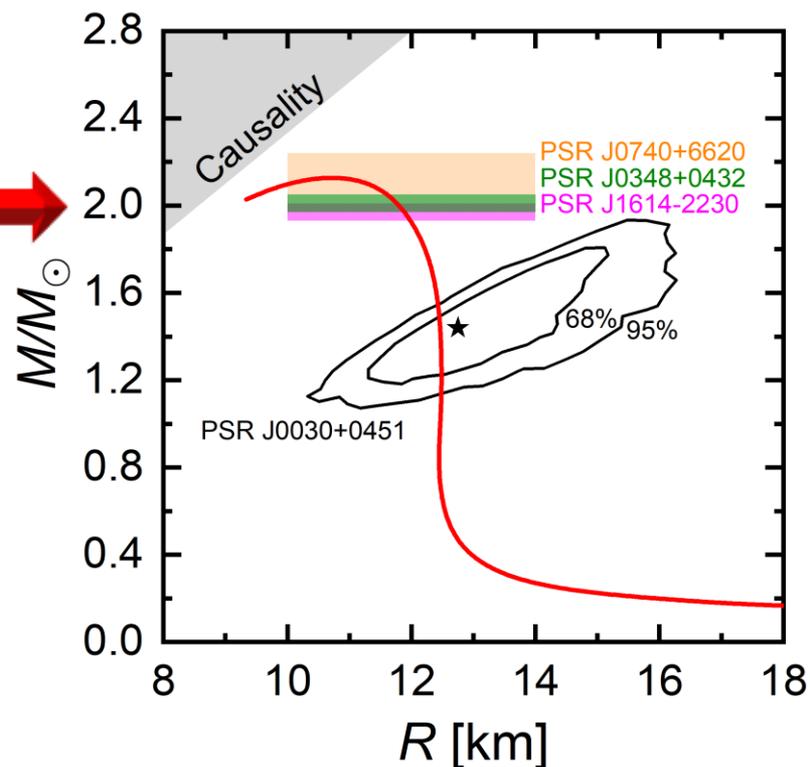
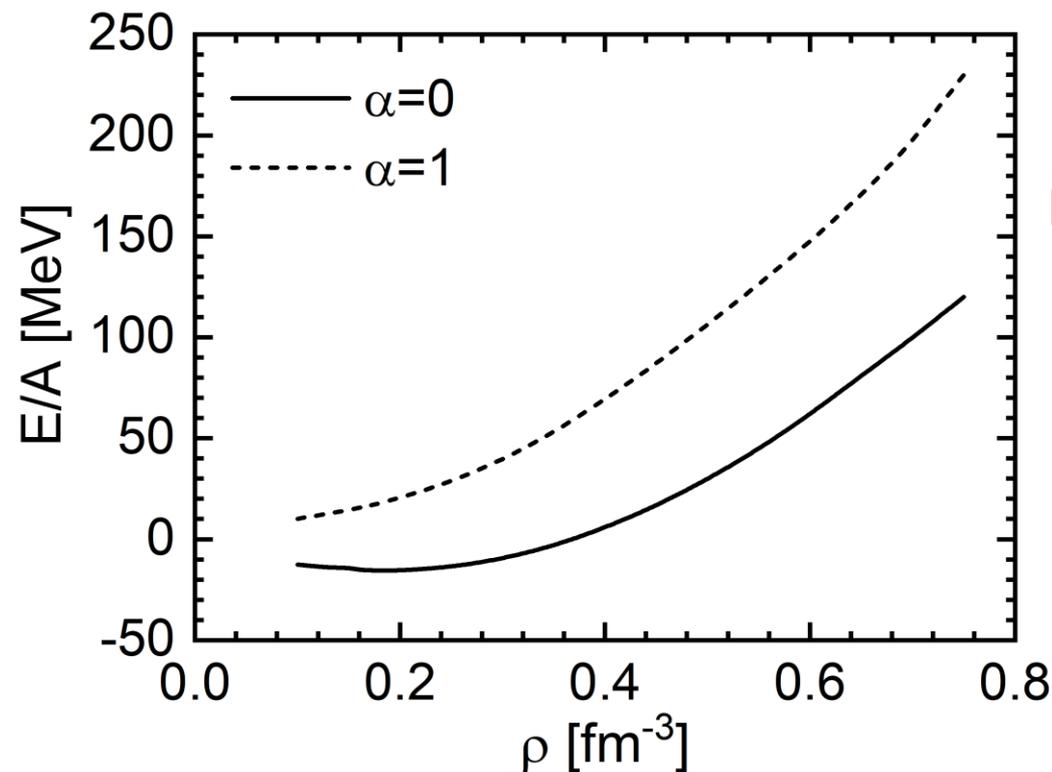
\* G. F. Burgio, et al., arXiv 1804.03020 (2018)

# From EoS to Neutron Star

🦋 The equation of state (EoS) for dense nuclear matter constitutes the basic input quantity for the theoretical reconstruction of a neutron star.

★ *R. C. Tolman, Phys. Rev. 55, 364 (1939)*

★ *J. R. Oppenheimer and G. M. Volkoff, Phys. Rev. 55, 374 (1939)*



★ *C. H. Lee, et al., Phys. Rev. C 57, 3488 (1998)*