

Strong interaction matter in the universe

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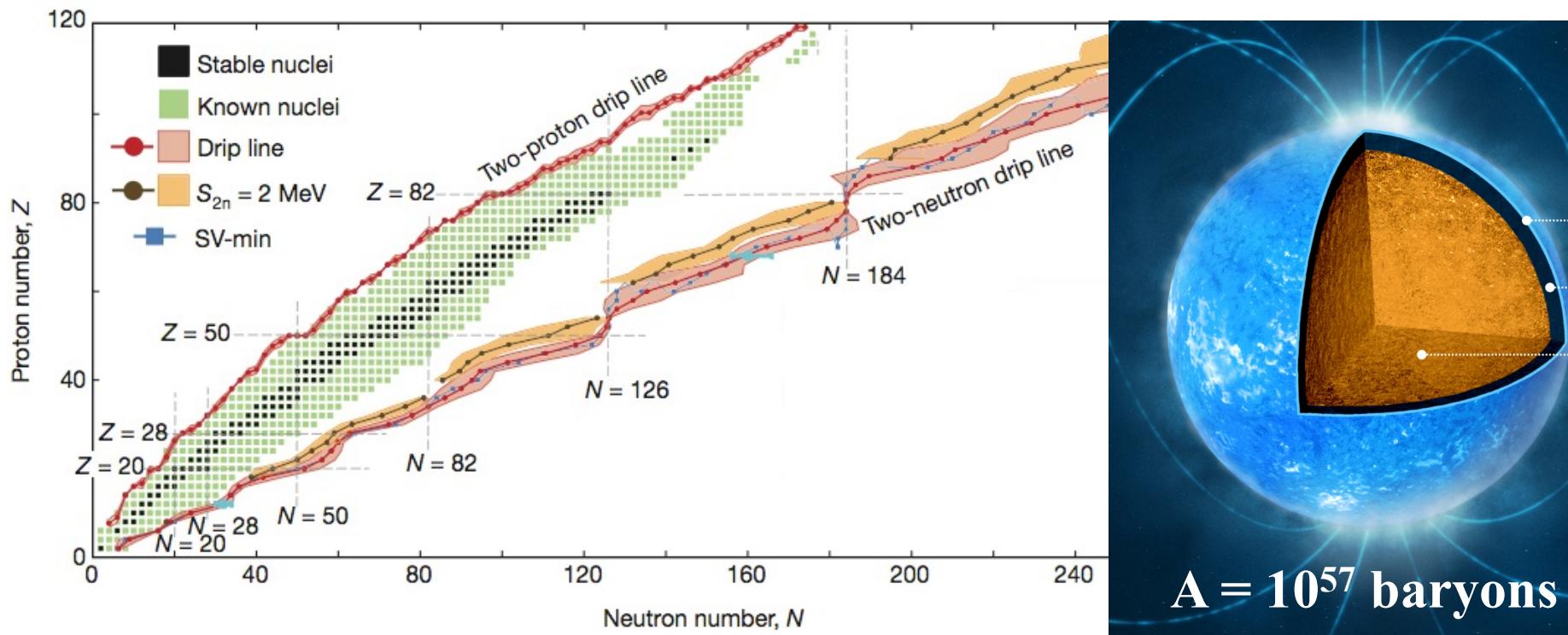
Structure of nuclei and dense matter in neutron stars

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The limits of the nuclear landscape

Jochen Erler^{1,2}, Noah Birge¹, Markus Kortelainen^{1,2,3}, Witold Nazarewicz^{1,2,4}, Erik Olsen^{1,2}, Alexander M. Perhac¹ & Mario Stoitsov^{1,2,†}

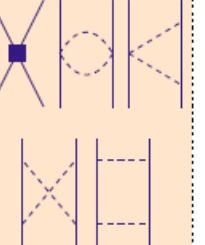
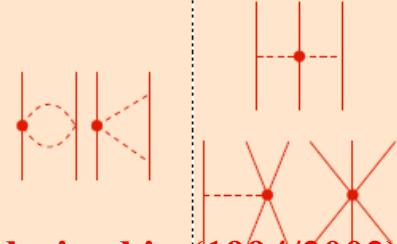
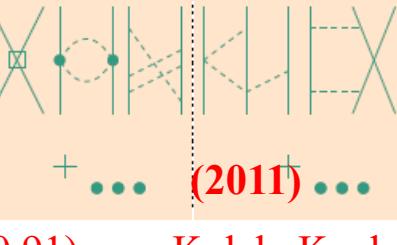
$\sim 4000 \pm 500$ nuclei unknown, extreme neutron-rich



Extreme neutron-rich matter in neutron stars

Chiral effective field theory for nuclear forces

Systematic expansion (power counting) in low momenta (Q/Λ_b)ⁿ

	NN	3N	4N
LO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^0}{\Lambda^0}\right)$		—	—
NLO $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right)$		—	—
$N^2LO \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^3}{\Lambda^3}\right)$	 <p>derived in (1994/2002)</p>	—	—
$N^3LO \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q^4}{\Lambda^4}\right)$	 <p>+ ... (2011) ... (2006) ...</p>	—	—

based on symmetries of strong interaction (QCD)

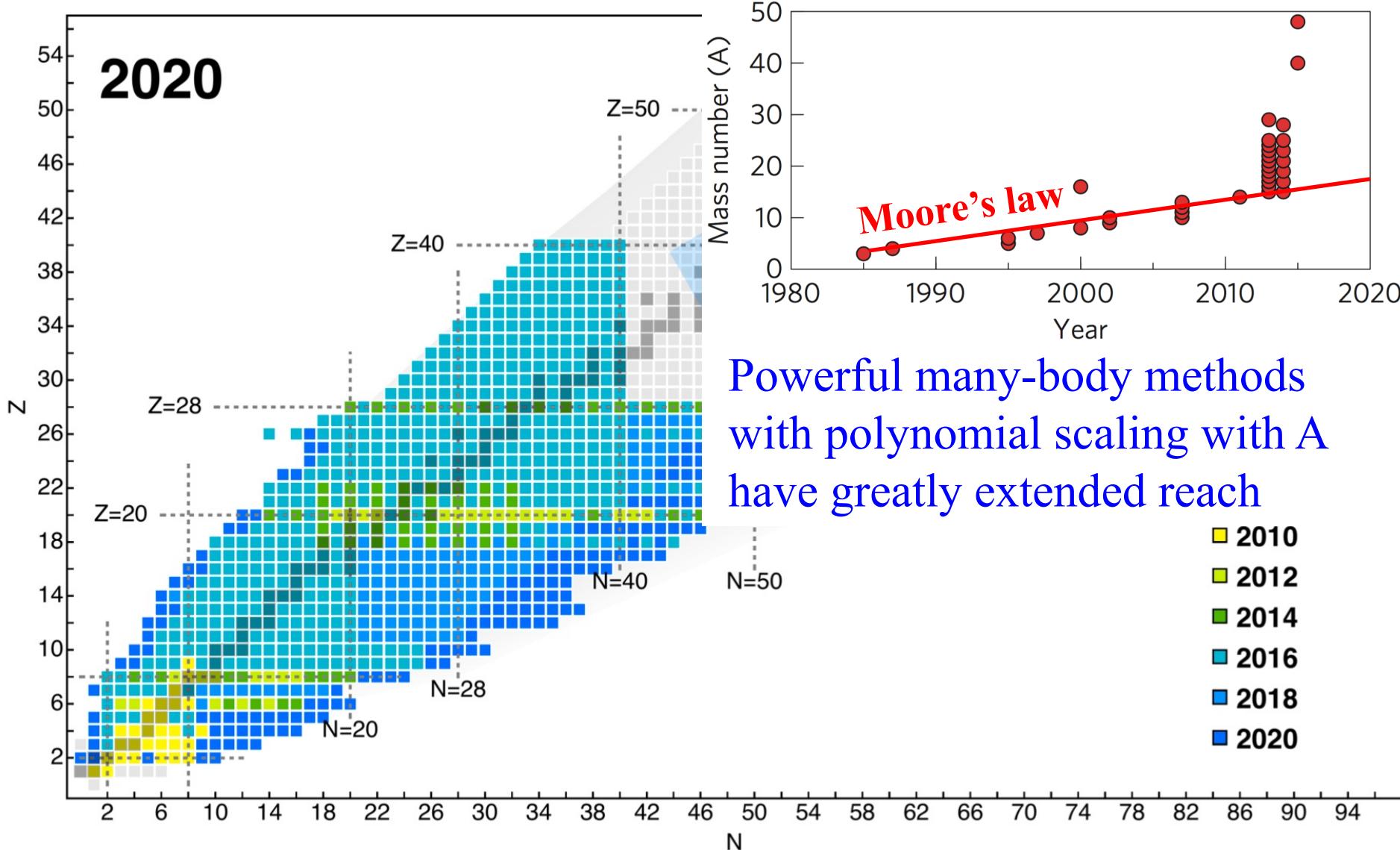
long-range interactions governed by pion exchanges

powerful approach for many-body interactions

all 3- and 4-neutron forces predicted to N^3LO

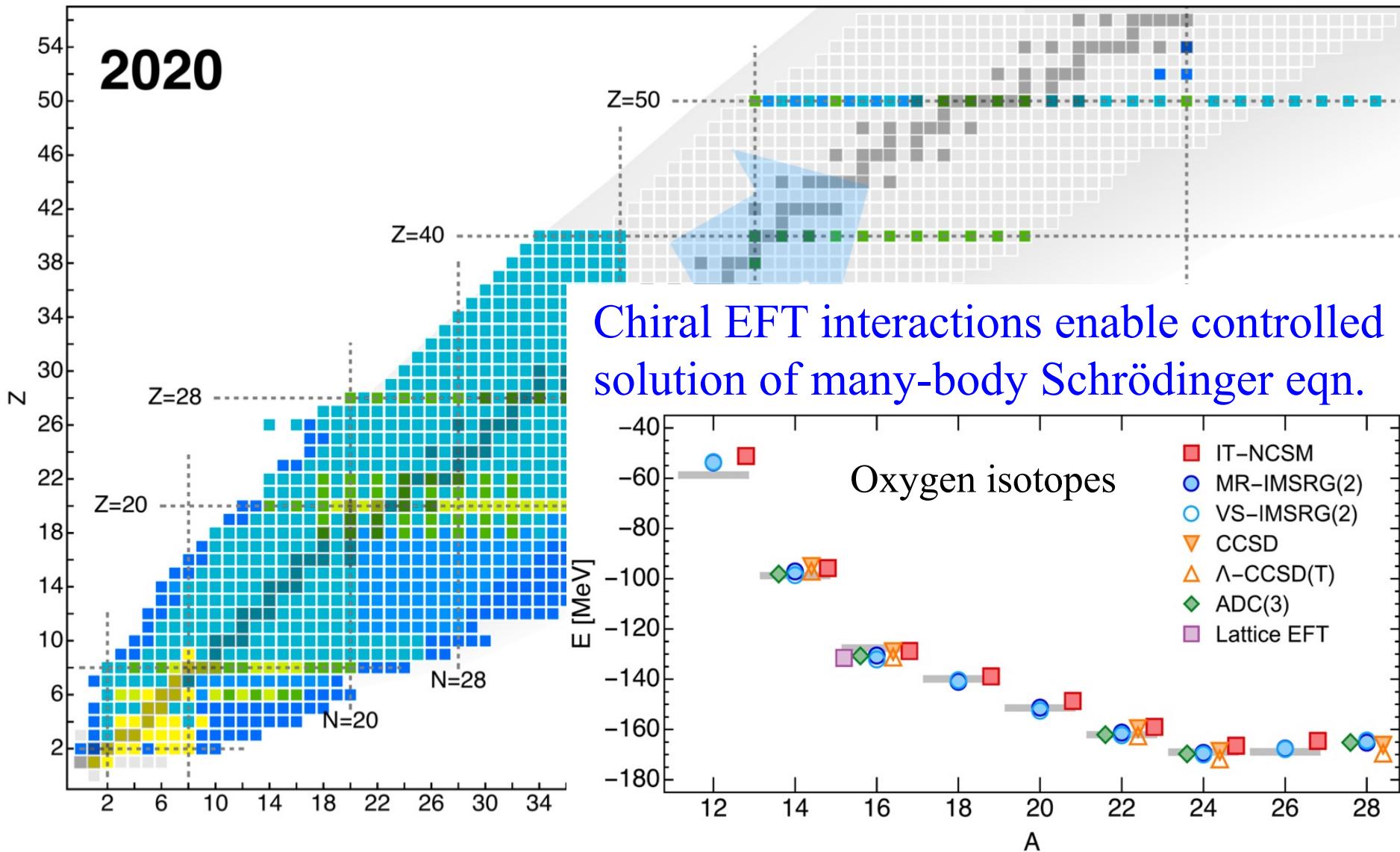
Tews, Krüger, Hebeler, AS, PRL (2013)

Great progress in ab initio calculations of nuclei



figures from Hagen et al., Nature Phys. (2016), Hergert (2020)

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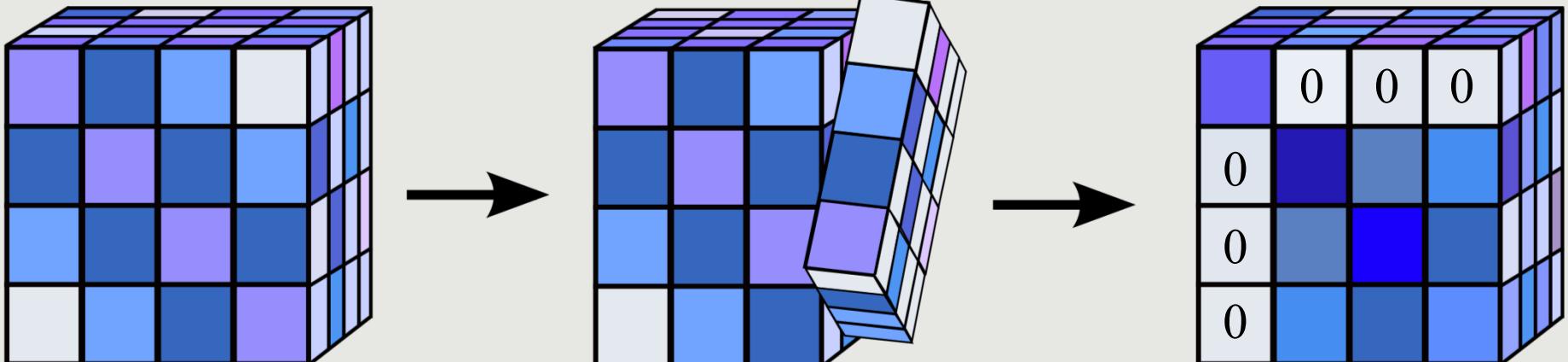


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In-medium similarity renormalization group (IMSRG)

Tsukiyama, Bogner, AS, PRL (2011), Hergert et al., Phys. Rep. (2016)

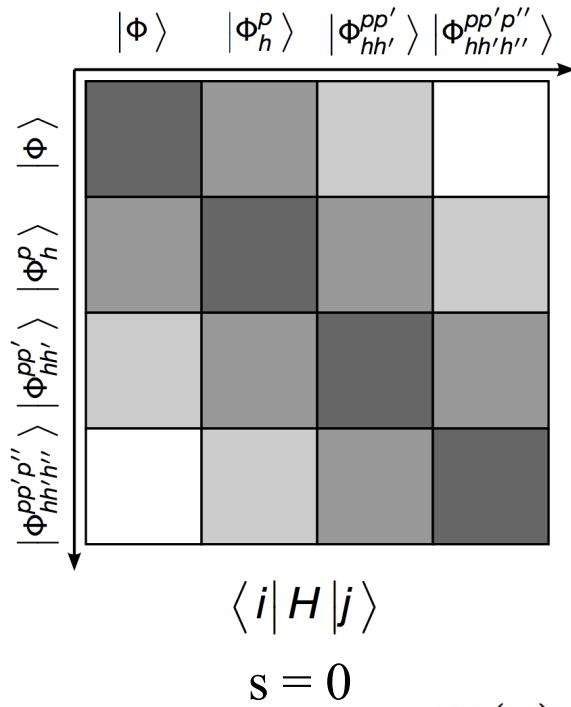
continuous transformation to block-diagonal form (\rightarrow decoupling)



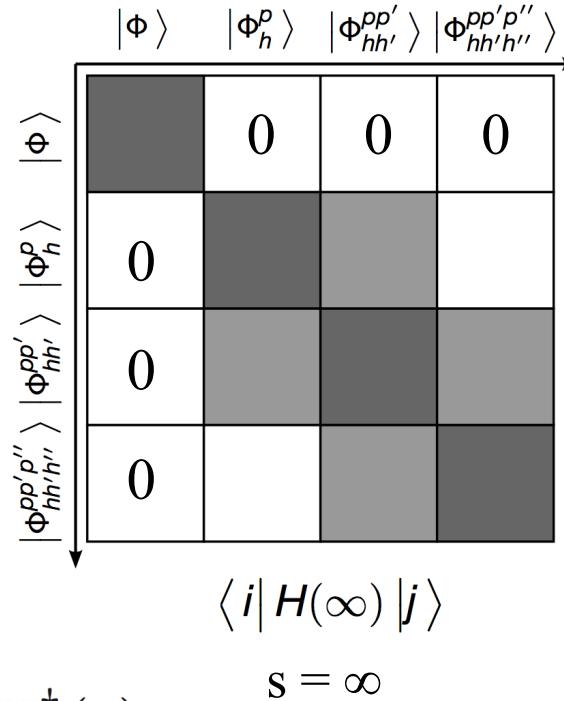
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RG flow equations to decouple higher-lying particle-hole states



IMSRG
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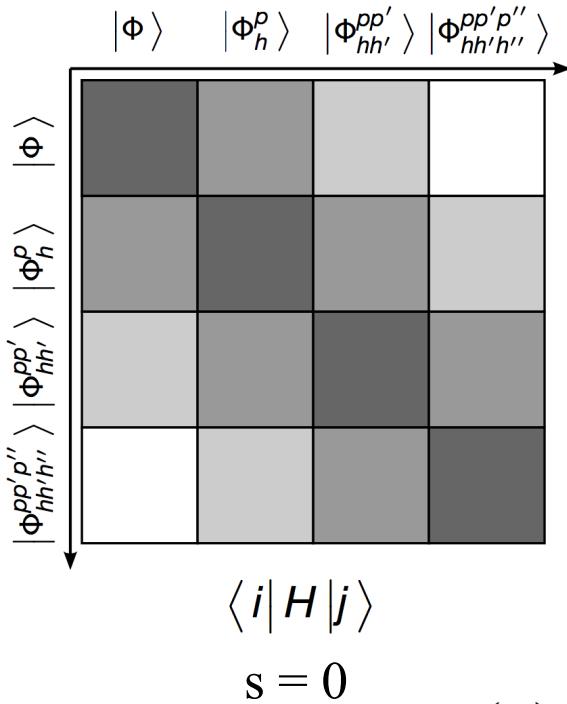


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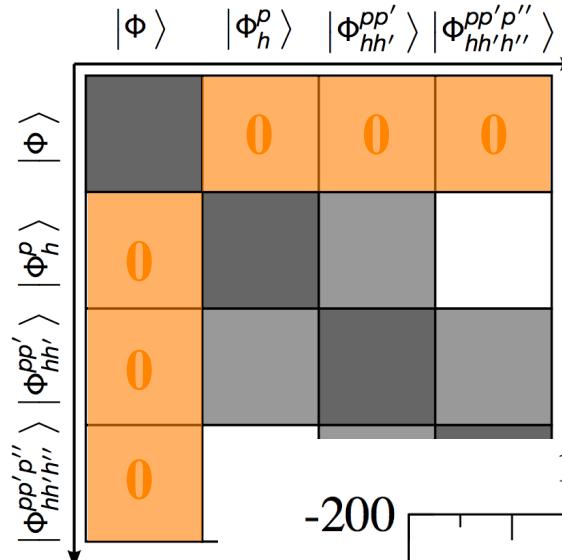
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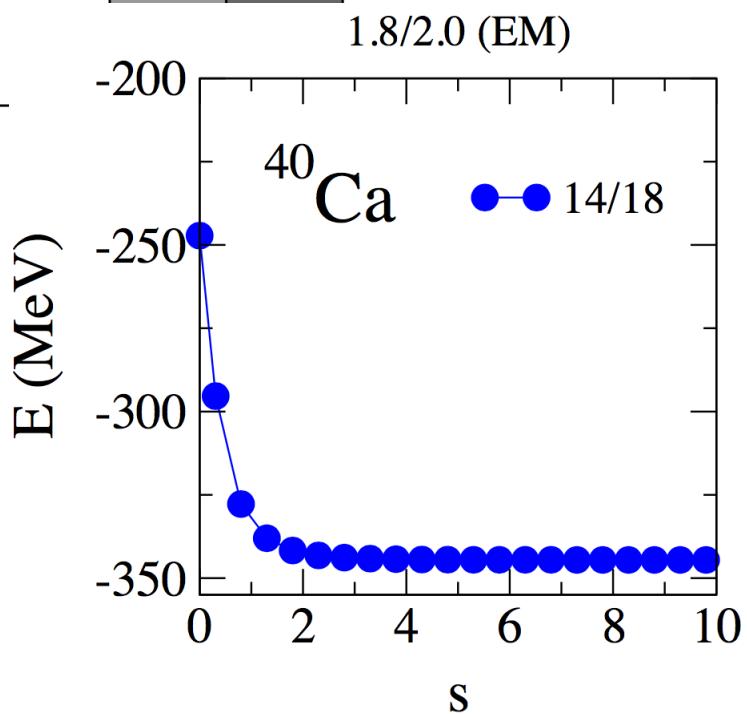
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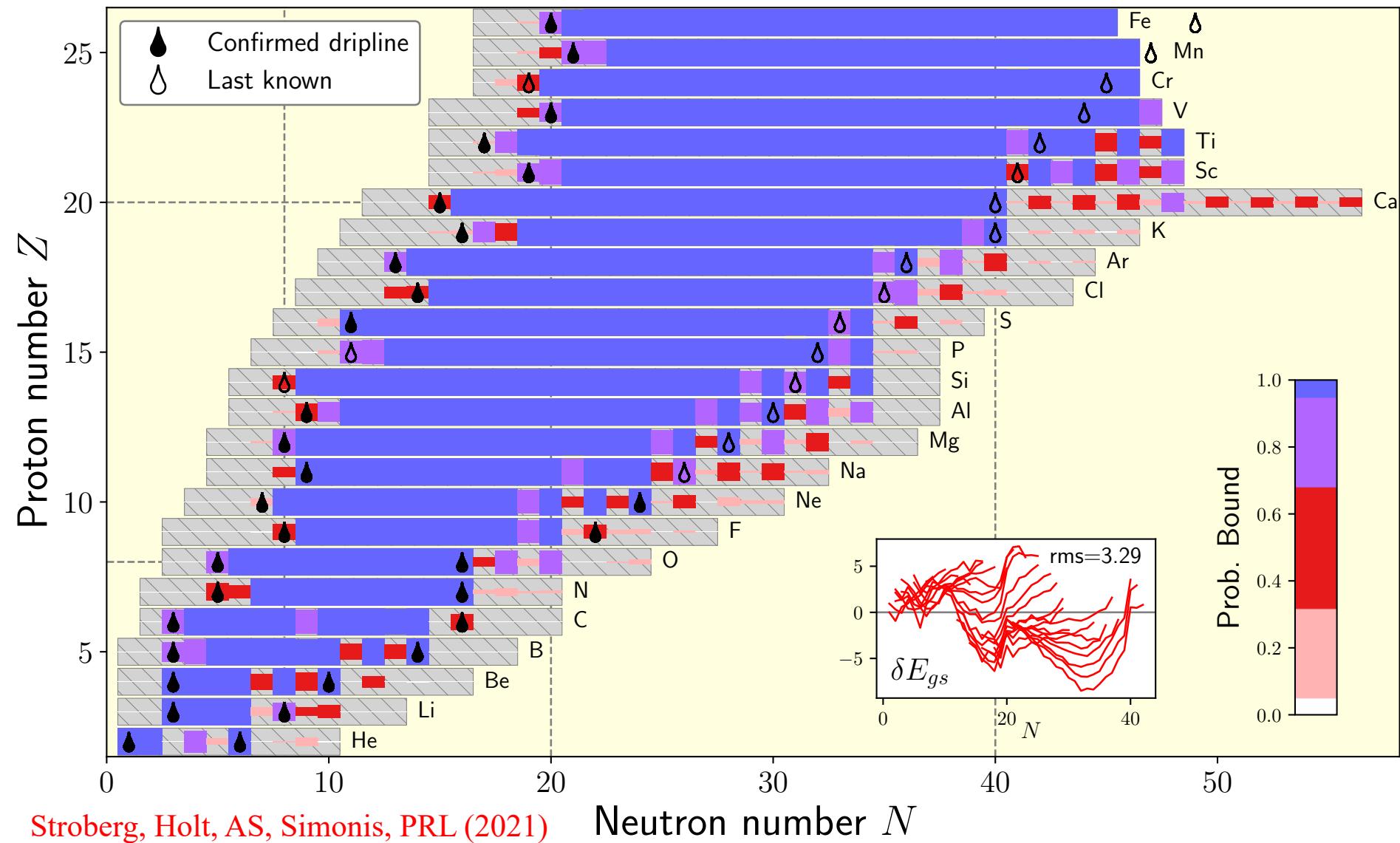
$$H(s) = U(s)H(0)U^\dagger(s)$$

$$\frac{d}{ds}H(s) = [\eta(s), H(s)]$$

with generator $\eta = [H^d(s), H^{od}(s)]$

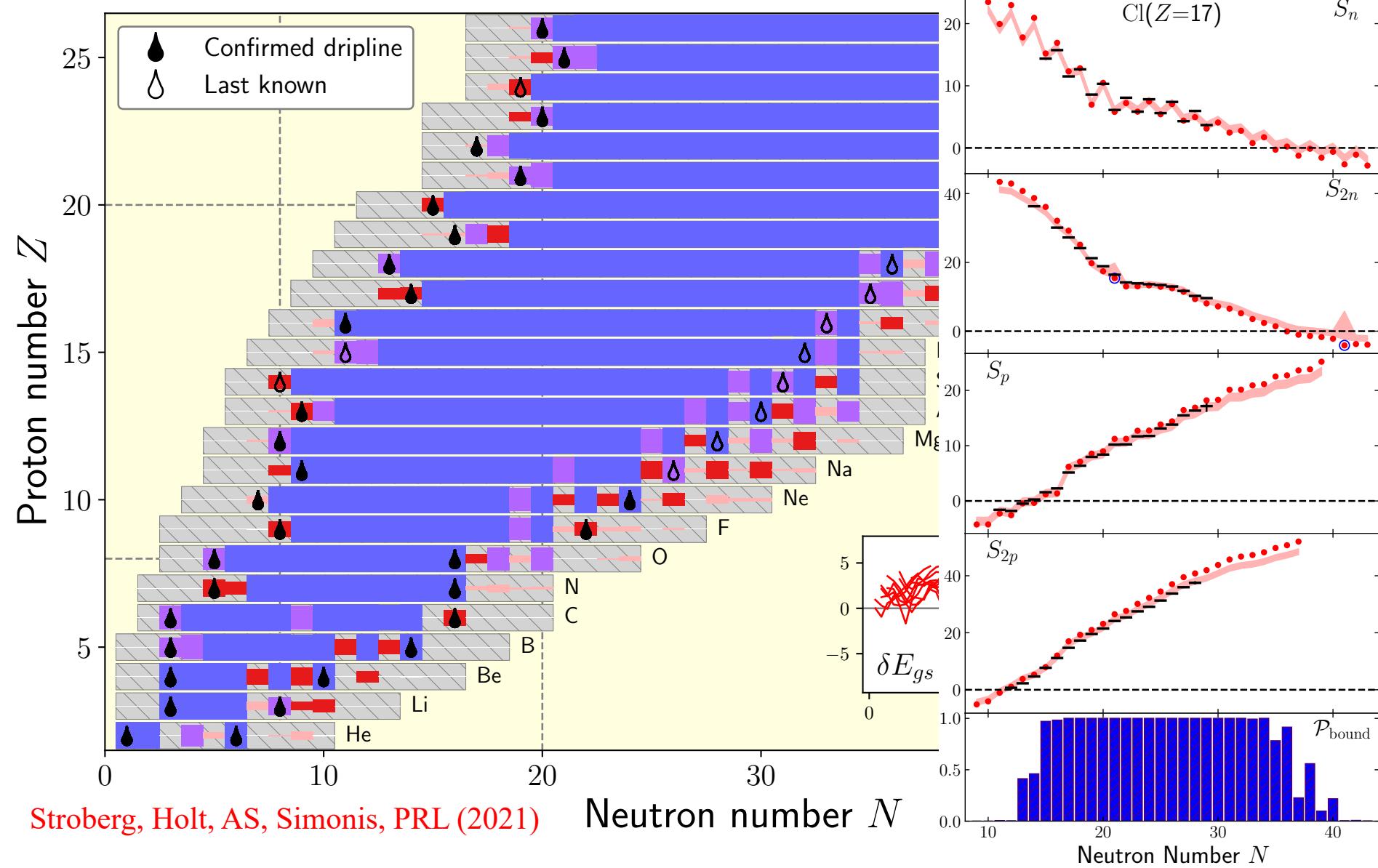


Nuclear landscape based on a chiral NN+3N interaction



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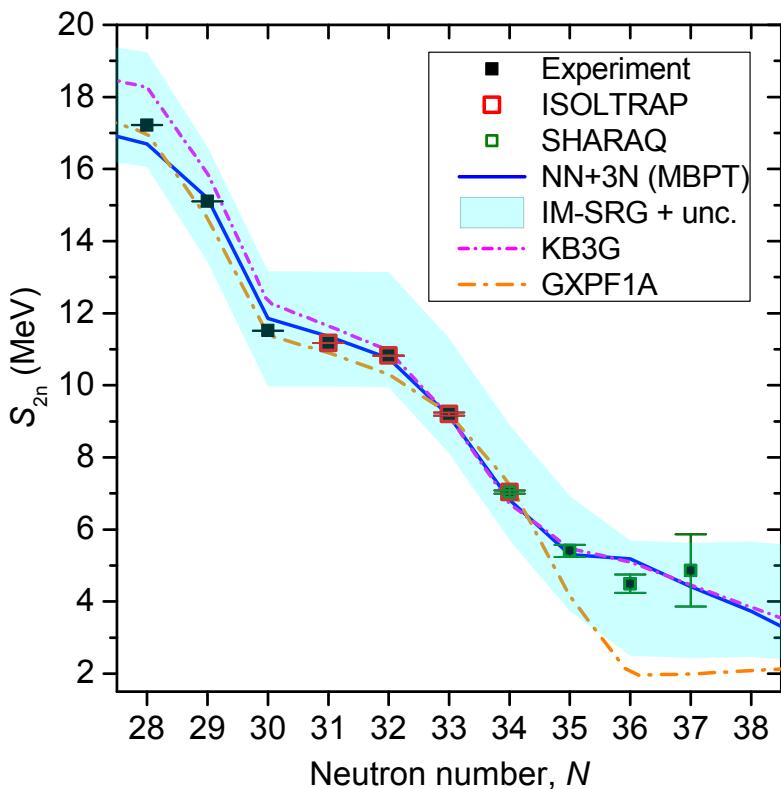
Highlights from ISOLDE/CERN and RIBF/RIKEN

very active experiment-theory collaborations

pioneering $^{51-57}\text{Ca}$ masses

Wienholtz et al., Nature (2013)

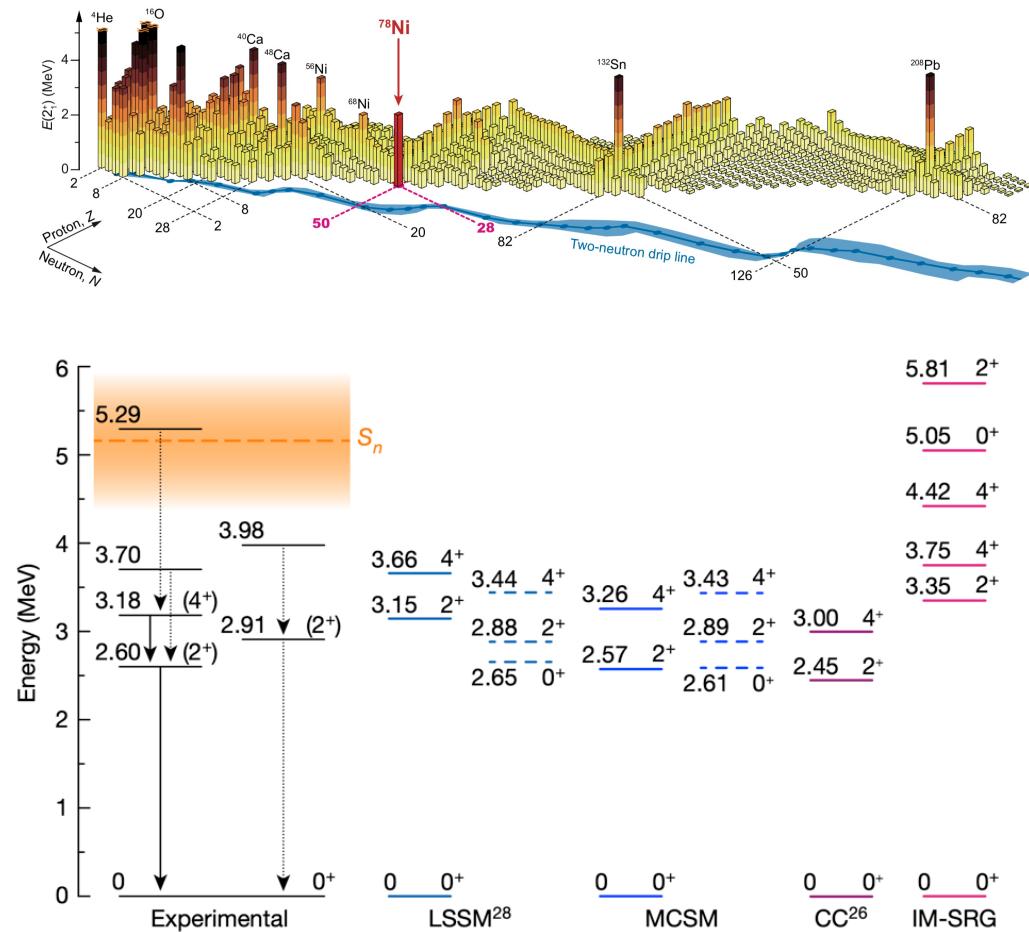
Michimasa et al., PRL (2019)



importance of 3N interactions
for neutron-rich shell structure

discovery of doubly magic ^{78}Ni

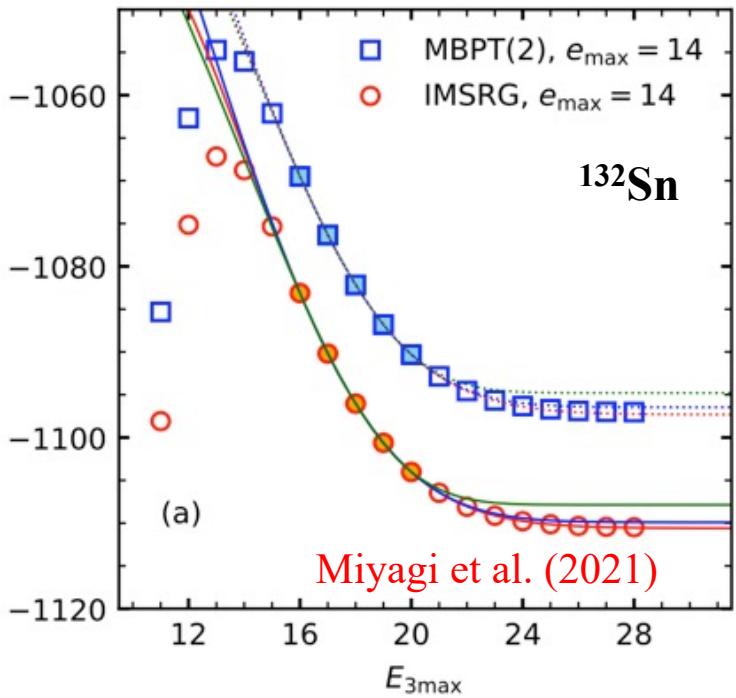
Taniuchi et al., Nature (2019)



First ab initio calculations of ^{208}Pb

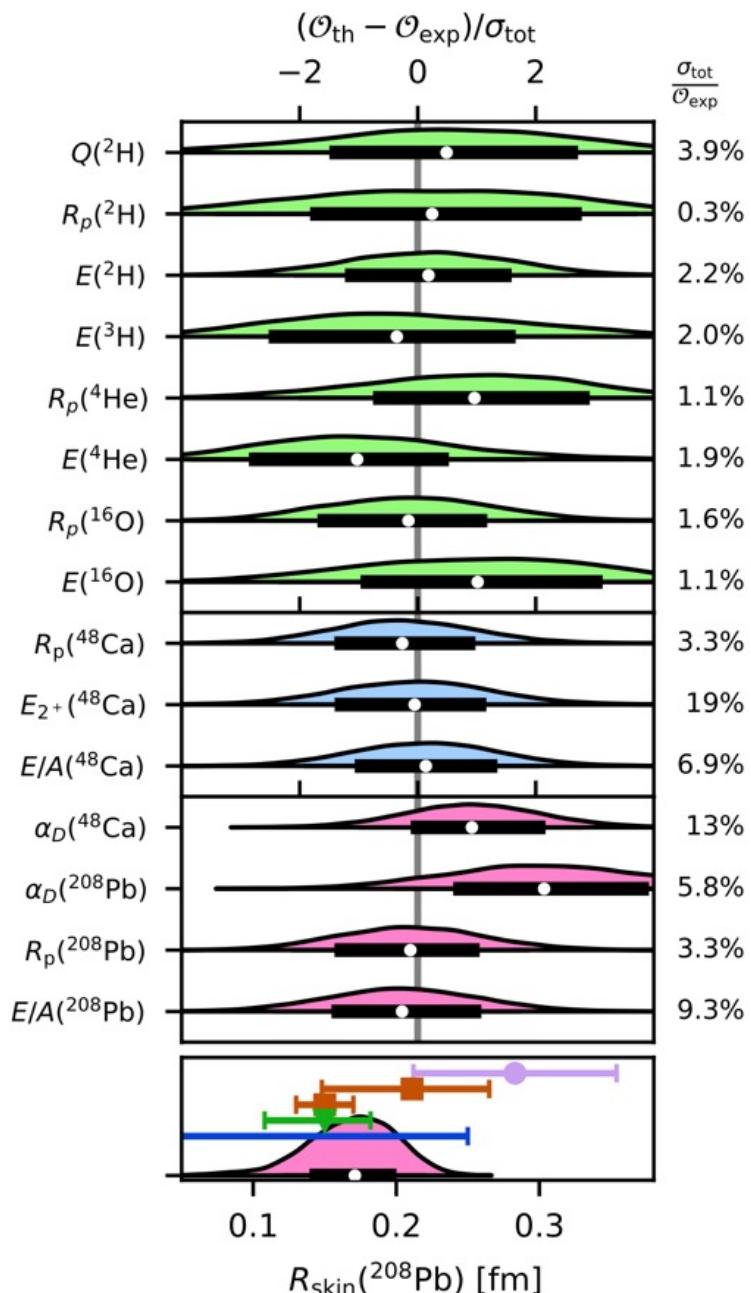
Hu, Jiang, Miyagi, Sun et al., Nature Phys. (2022)

enabled by 3N advances



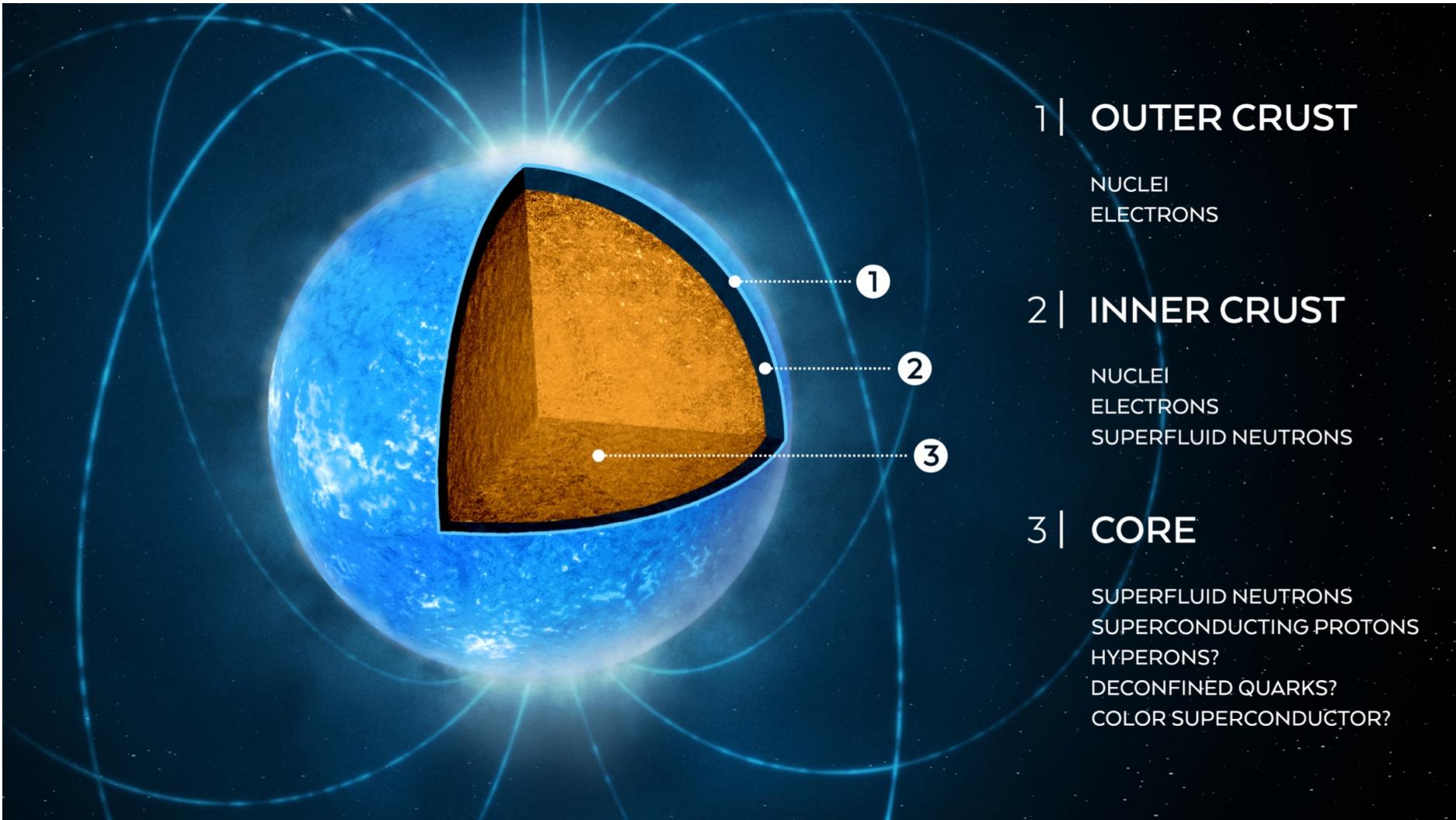
statistical methods via history matching
to explore uncertainties in NN+3N

predicted **neutron skin of ^{208}Pb**
agrees with most experiments



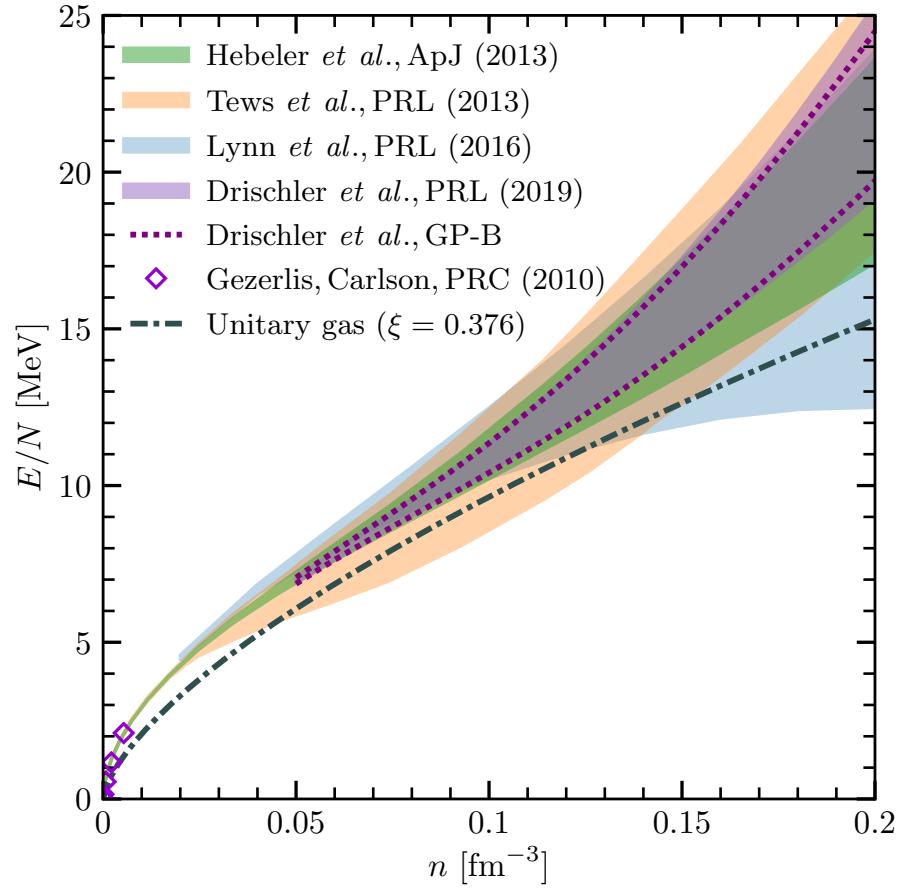
Extreme matter in neutron stars

governed by the same strong interactions:
chiral EFT sets pressure of first few km to inside



Chiral EFT calculations of dense matter

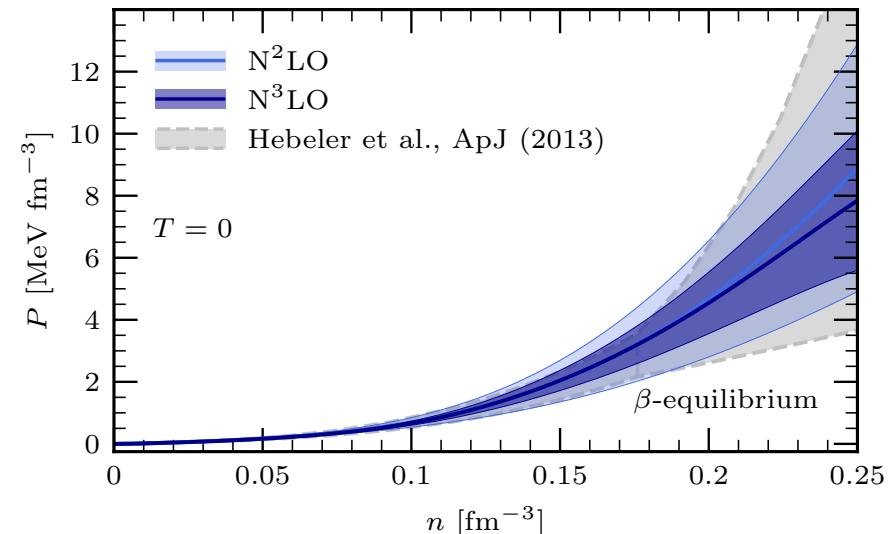
good agreement up to saturation density for neutron matter
including NN, 3N, 4N interactions up to N³LO



from Huth, Wellenhofer, AS, PRC (2021)

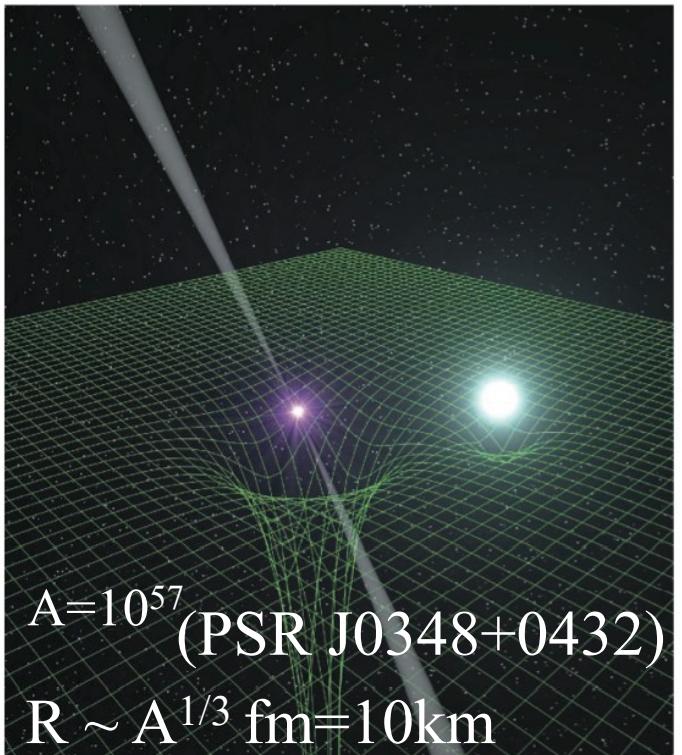
slope determines pressure of
neutron matter

EOS for arbitrary proton fraction
and finite temperature using
Gaussian Process emulator
Keller, Hebeler, AS, PRL (2023)



Neutron star masses

from Jim Lattimer

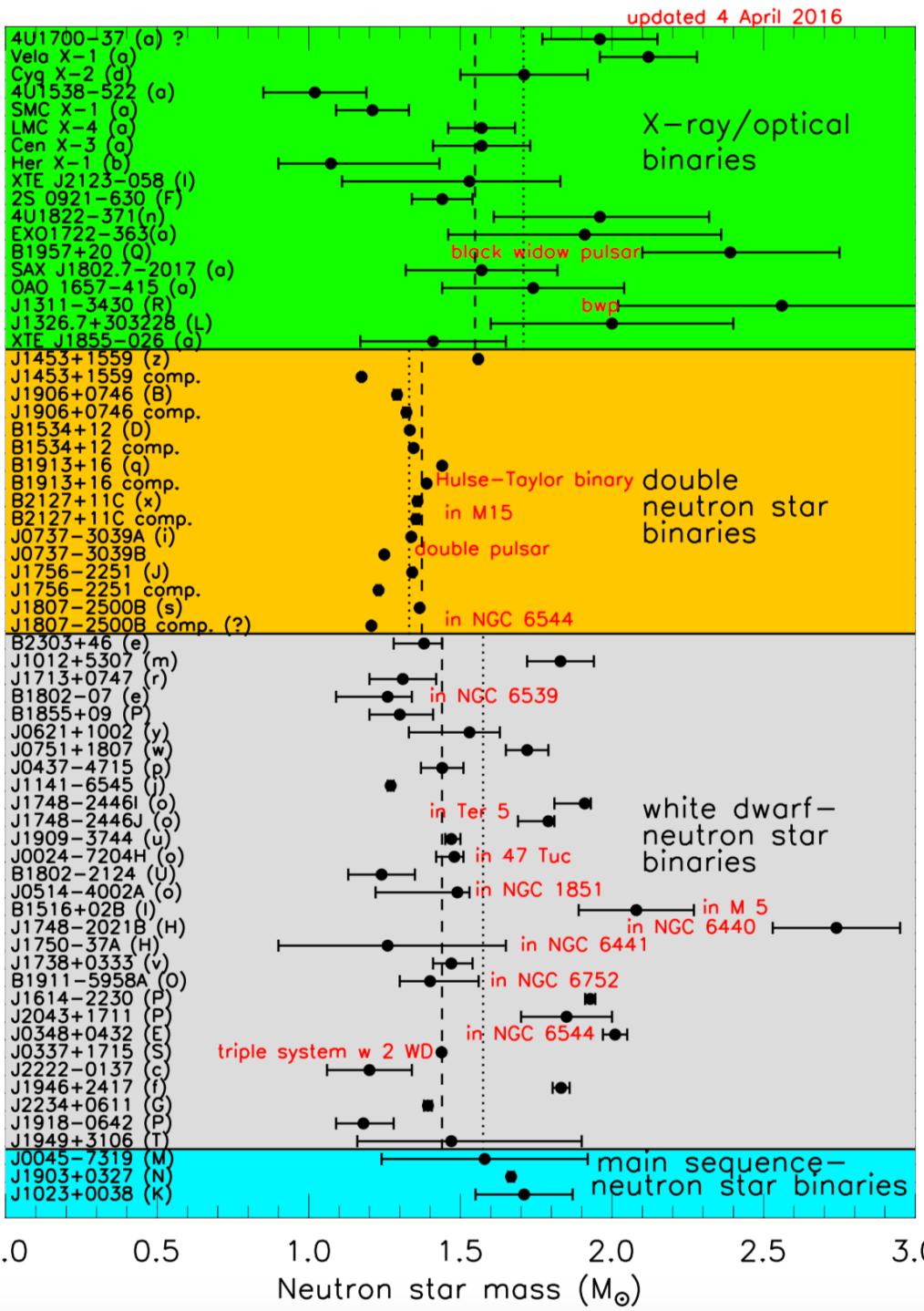


three $2 M_{\odot}$ neutron stars obs.

J1614: Demorest et al., Nature (2010),

J0348: Antoniadis et al., Science (2013),

J0740: $2.08 \pm 0.07 M_{\odot}$ Fonseca et al., (2021)



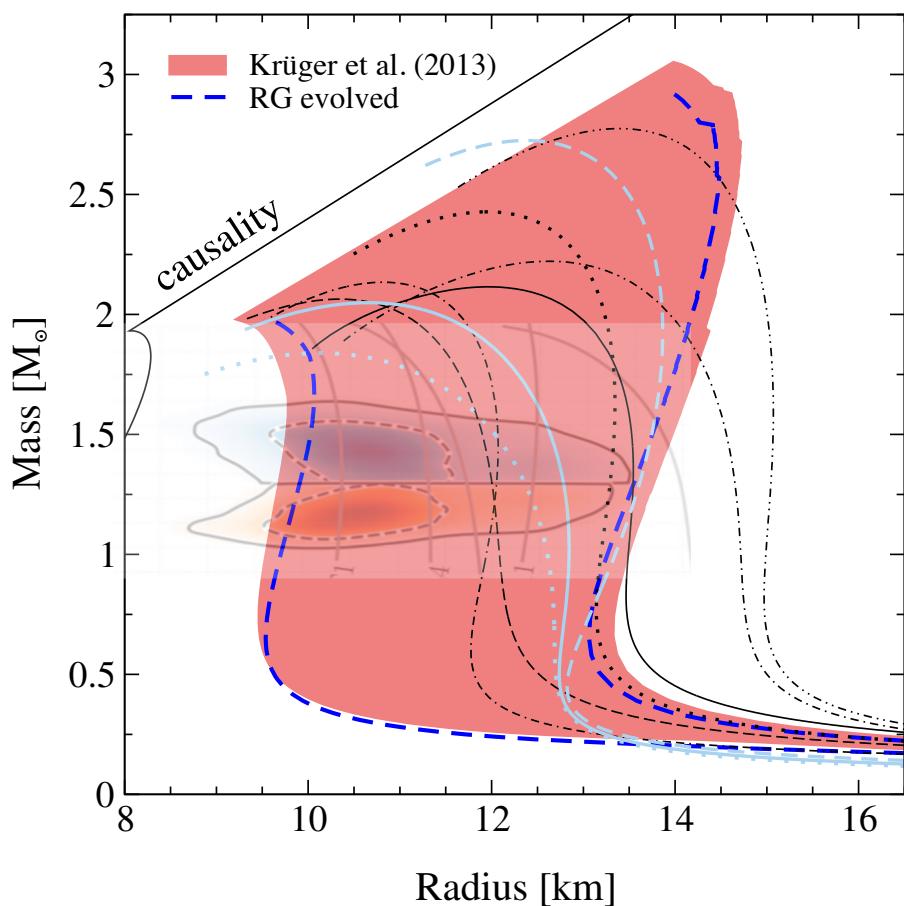
Neutron star radius

chiral EFT + general EOS extrapolation based on causality + 2 M_{sun} stars

predicted neutron star radii: 9.7 - 13.9 km for $M=1.4 M_{\text{sun}}$

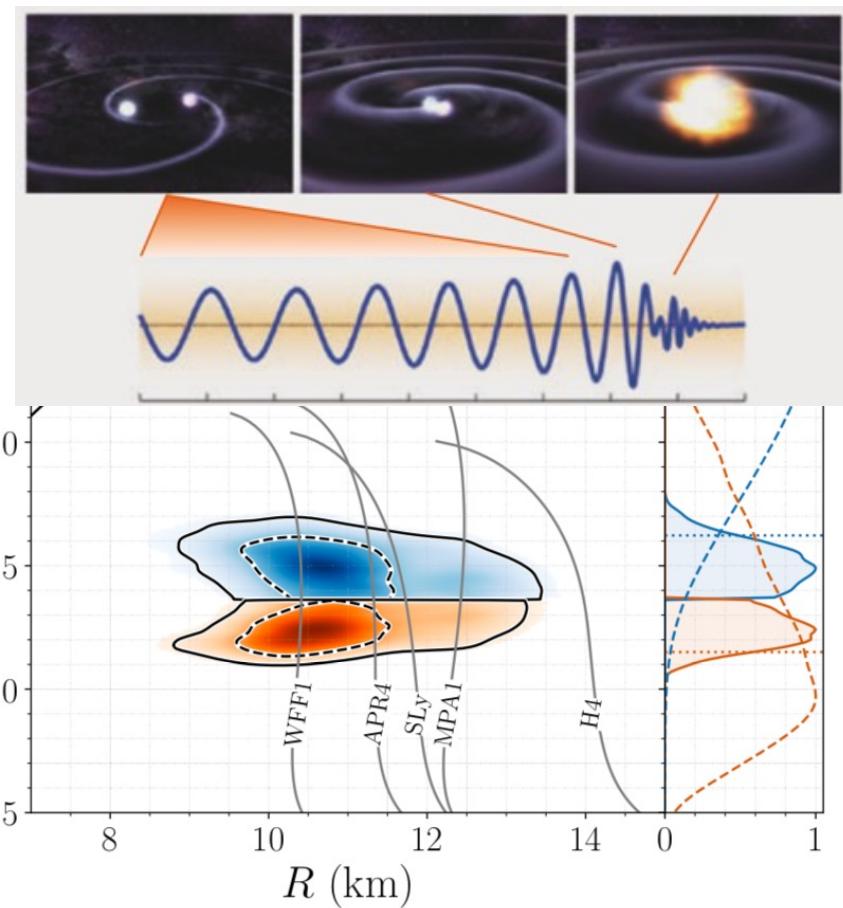
Hebeler, Lattimer, Pethick, AS, PRL (2010), ApJ (2013)

consistent with LIGO/Virgo

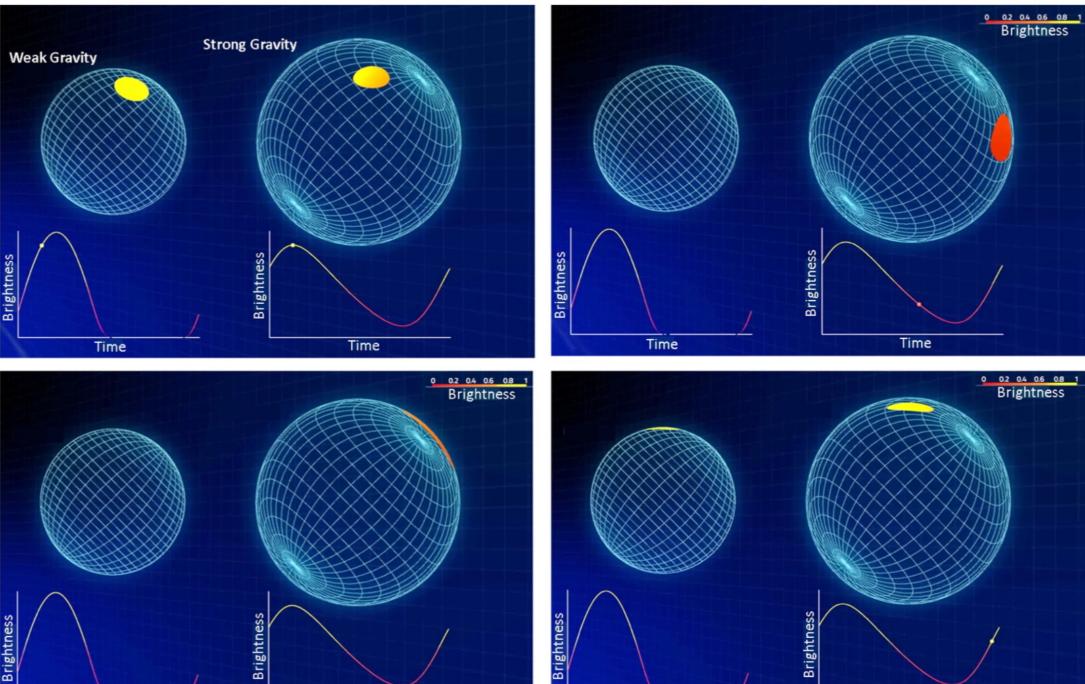


GW170817: Measurements of neutron star radii and equation of state

The LIGO Scientific Collaboration and The Virgo Collaboration



NICER results



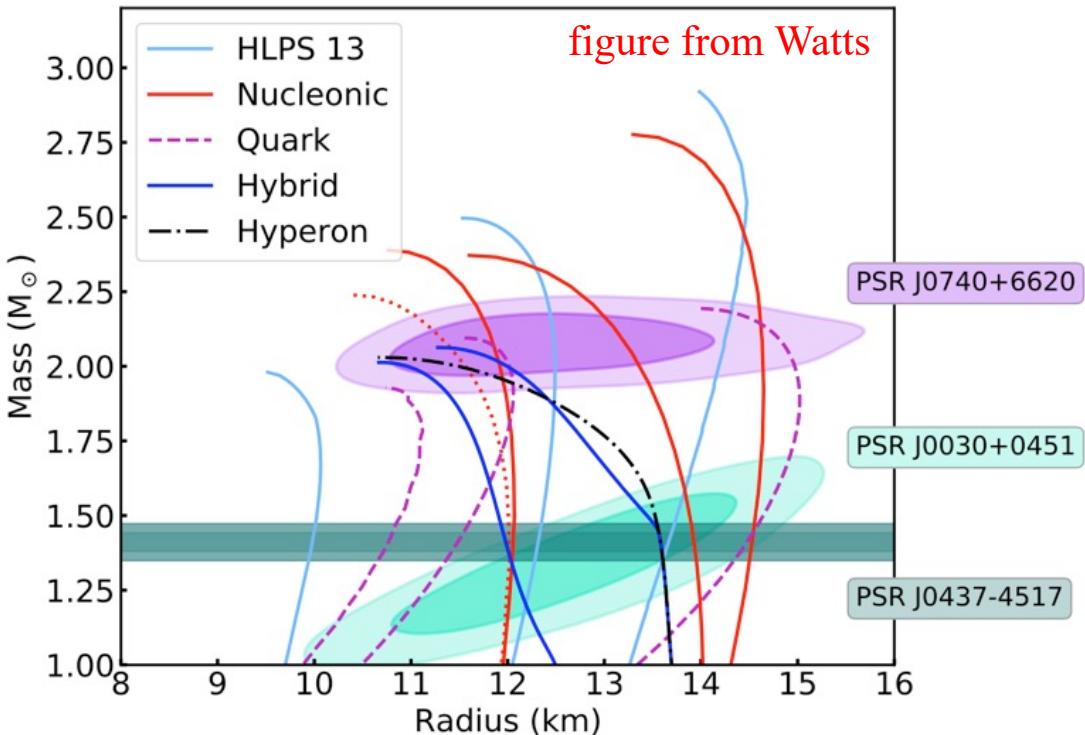
Neutron star radius from
pulse profile modeling

J0030 and J0740

here: Amsterdam analysis

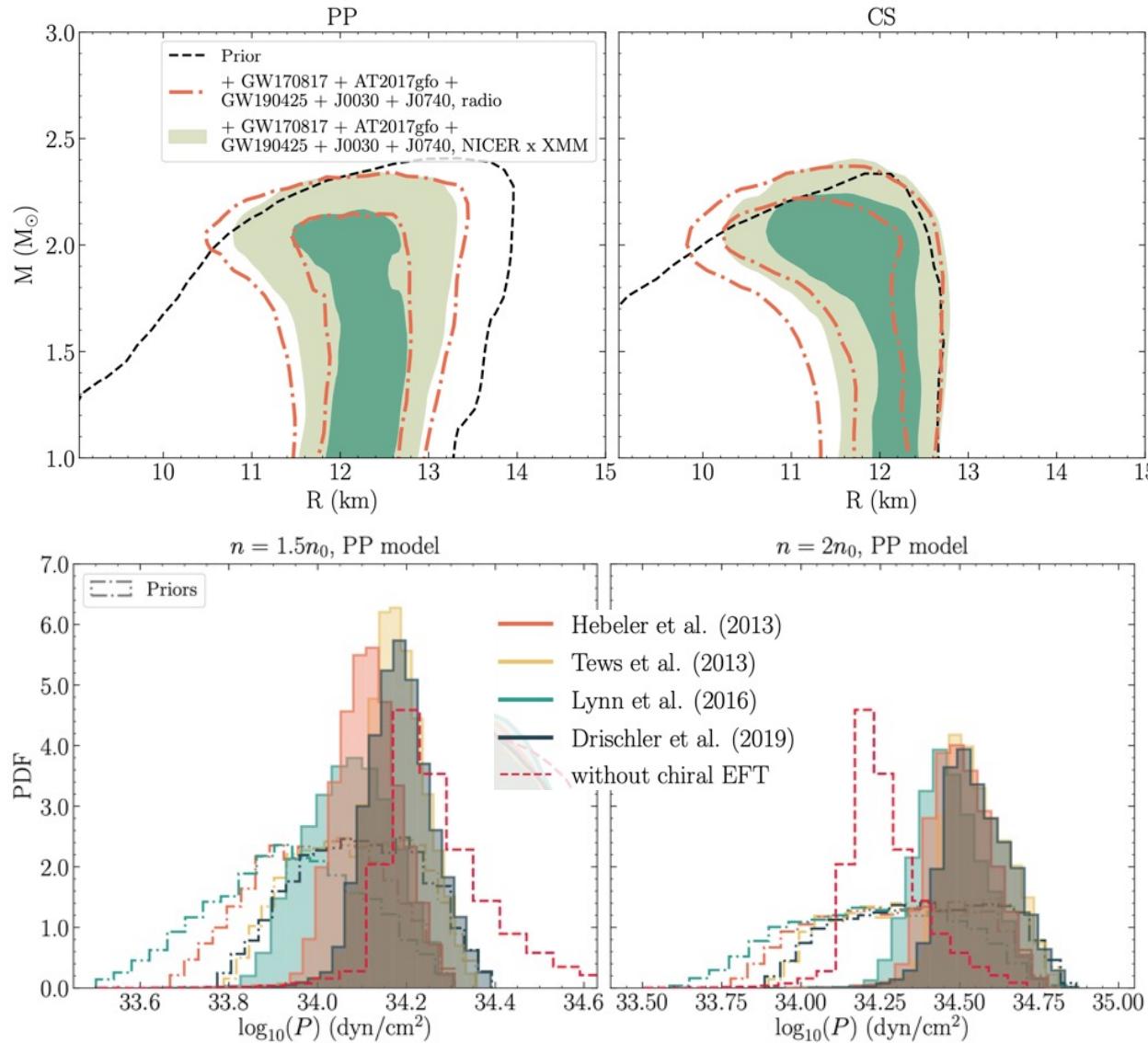
Riley et al., ApJL (2019), (2021)

similar results from
Illinois-Maryland analysis
Miller et al., ApJL (2019), (2021)



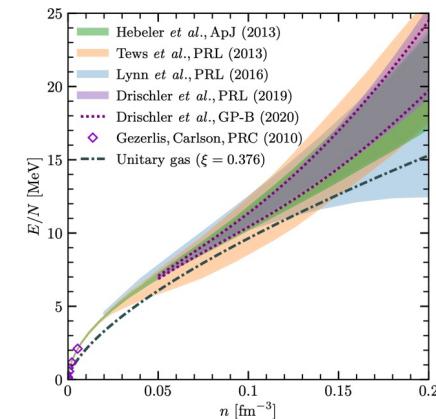
Combined LIGO/Virgo and NICER constraints

Raaijmakers et al., ApJL (2020), (2021)



neutron star radius
~12 km

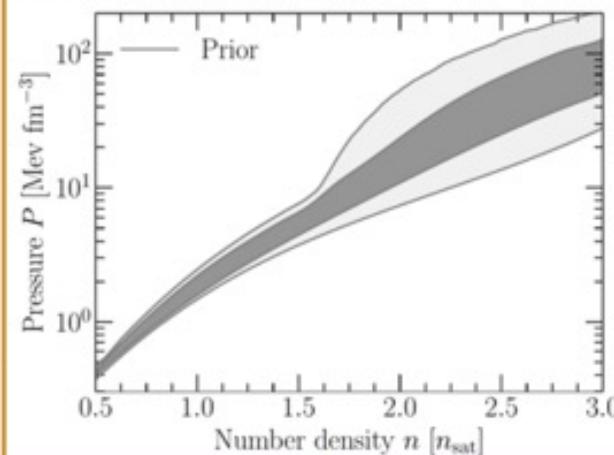
pressure posteriors
at 1.5 and 2 n_0
→ astro prefers
higher pressures



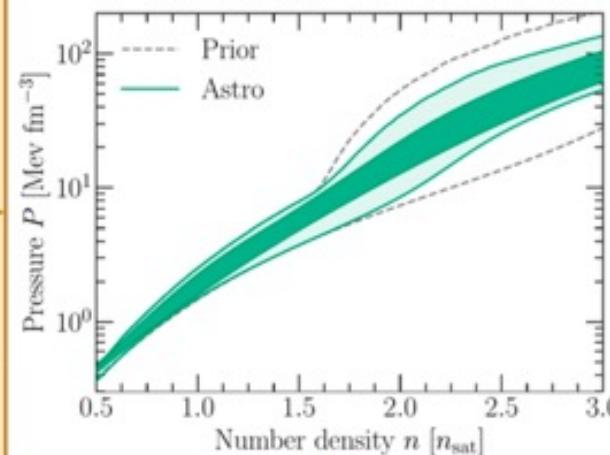
Constraints from heavy-ion collisions Huth, Pang et al., Nature (2022)

inclusion of HIC constraints prefers higher pressures, similar to NICER, overall remarkable consistency with chiral EFT and astro constraints

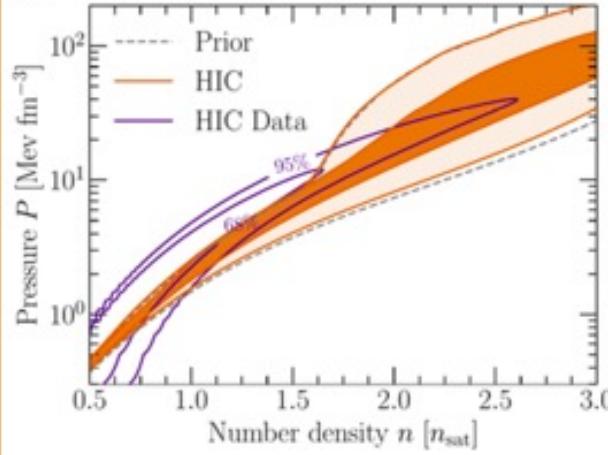
(A) Chiral effective field theory:



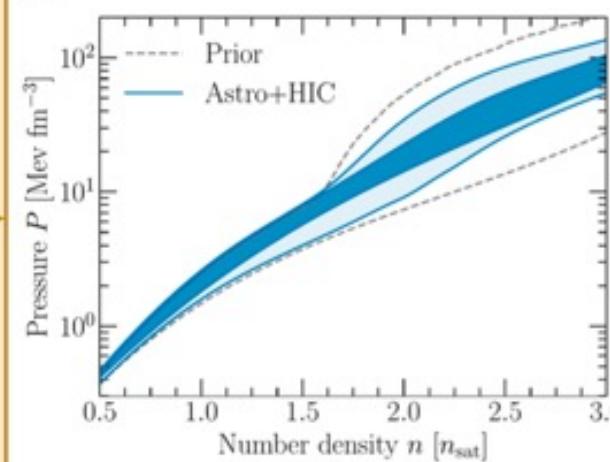
(B) Multi-messenger astrophysics:



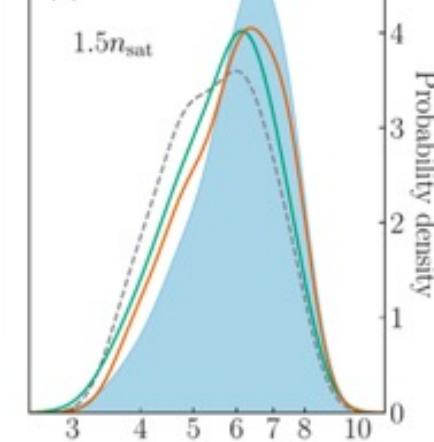
(C) HIC experiments:



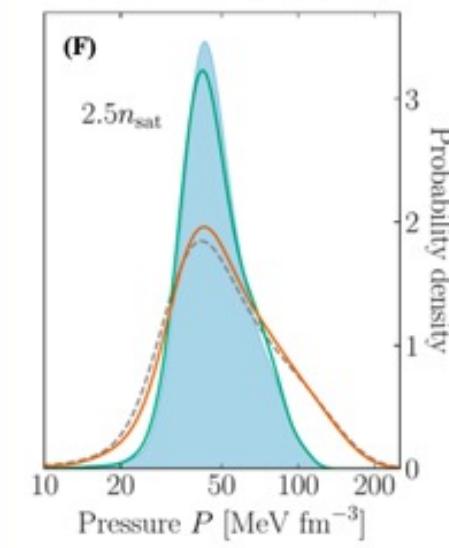
(D) HIC and Astro combined:



(E)



(F)



EOS for arbitrary proton fraction and temperature

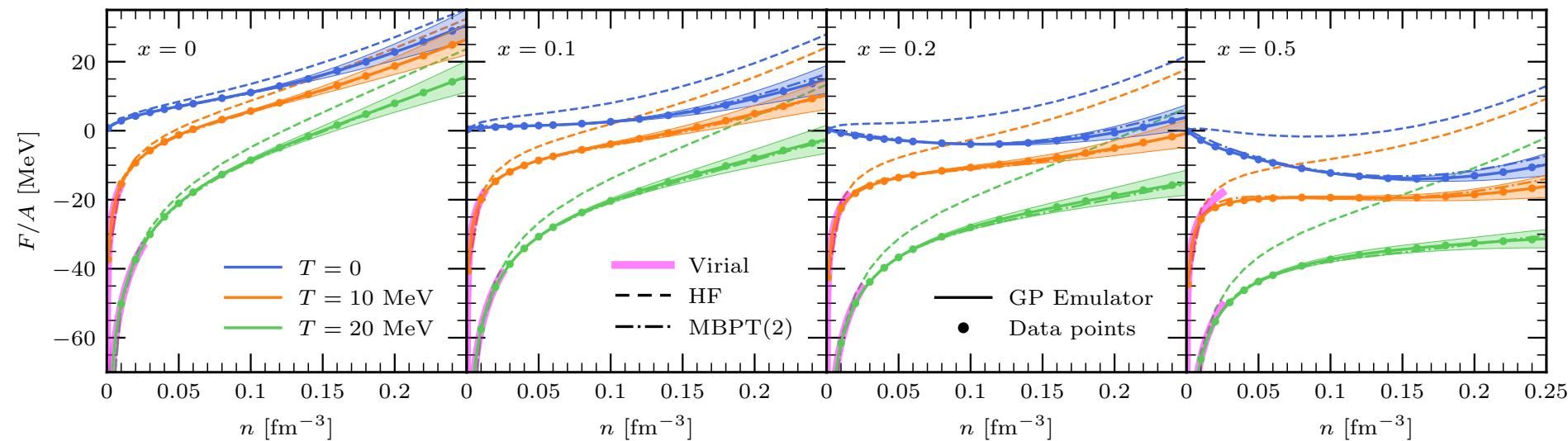
Keller, Hebeler, AS, PRL (2023)

based on chiral EFT NN+3N interactions to N³LO

order-by-order EFT uncertainties $\Delta X^{(j)} = Q \cdot \max(|X^{(j)} - X^{(j-1)}|, \Delta X^{(j-1)})$
(small) many-body uncertainties at MBPT(3)

excellent reproduction of free energy data by Gaussian process

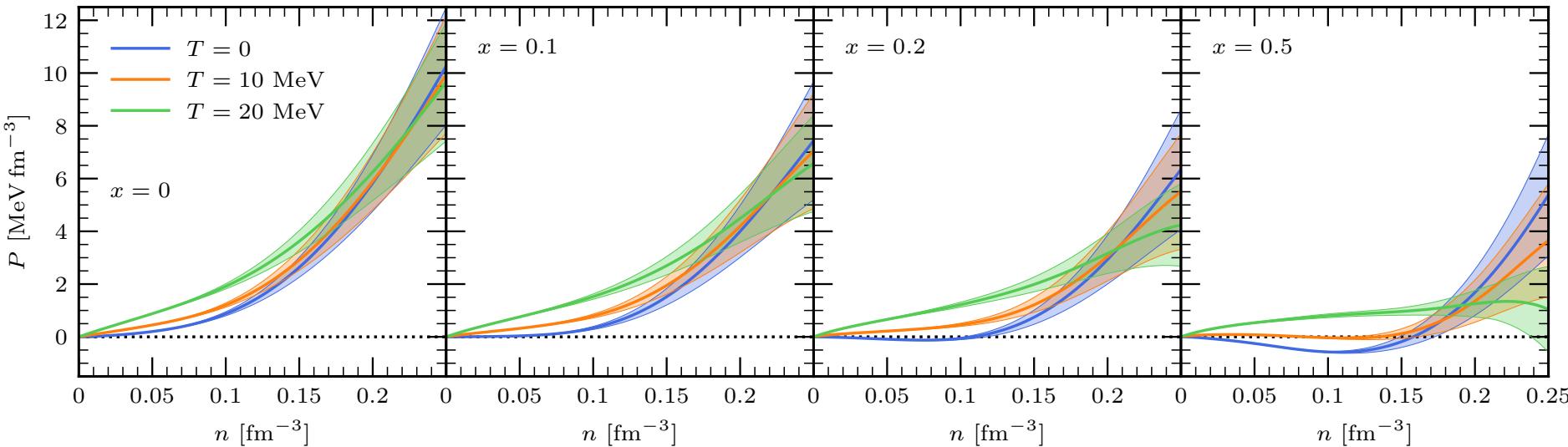
agrees with model-indep. virial EOS Horowitz, AS, NPA (2006) at low densities



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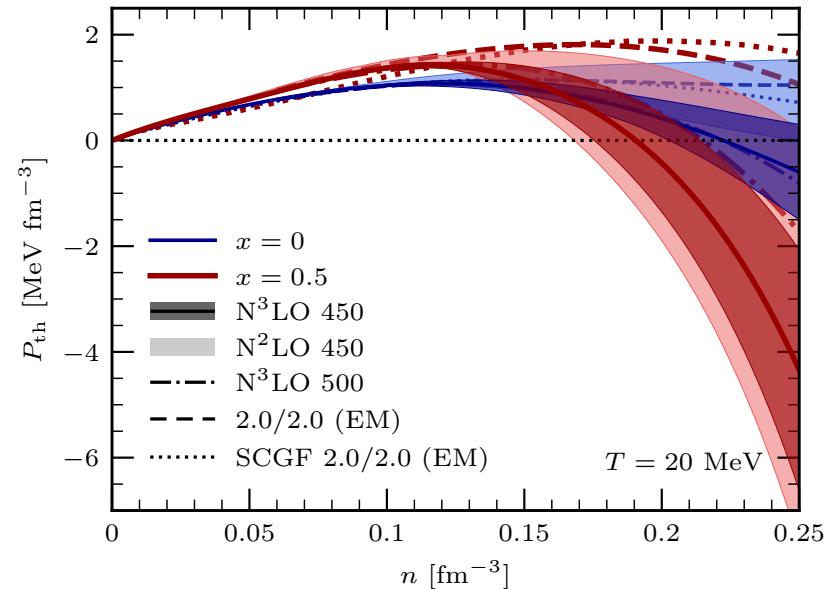
Keller, Hebeler, AS, PRL (2023)

GP emulator to calculate pressure (thermodyn. consistent derivatives)



pressure isotherms cross at higher densities → negative thermal expansion

thermal part of pressure decreases with increasing density,
observed for different chiral orders,
cutoffs and interactions



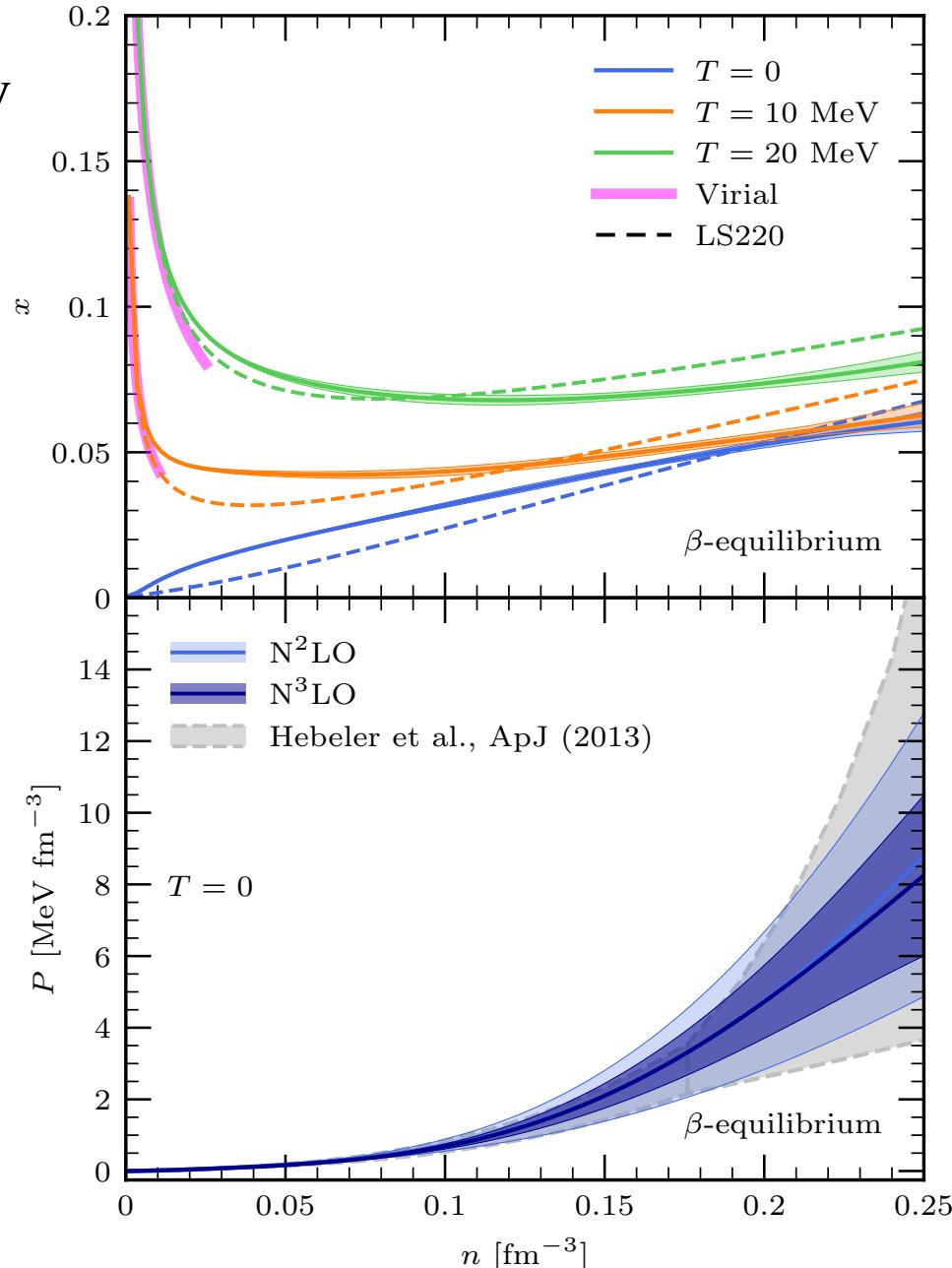
EOS for neutron star matter in beta equilibrium

Keller, Hebeler, AS, PRL (2023)

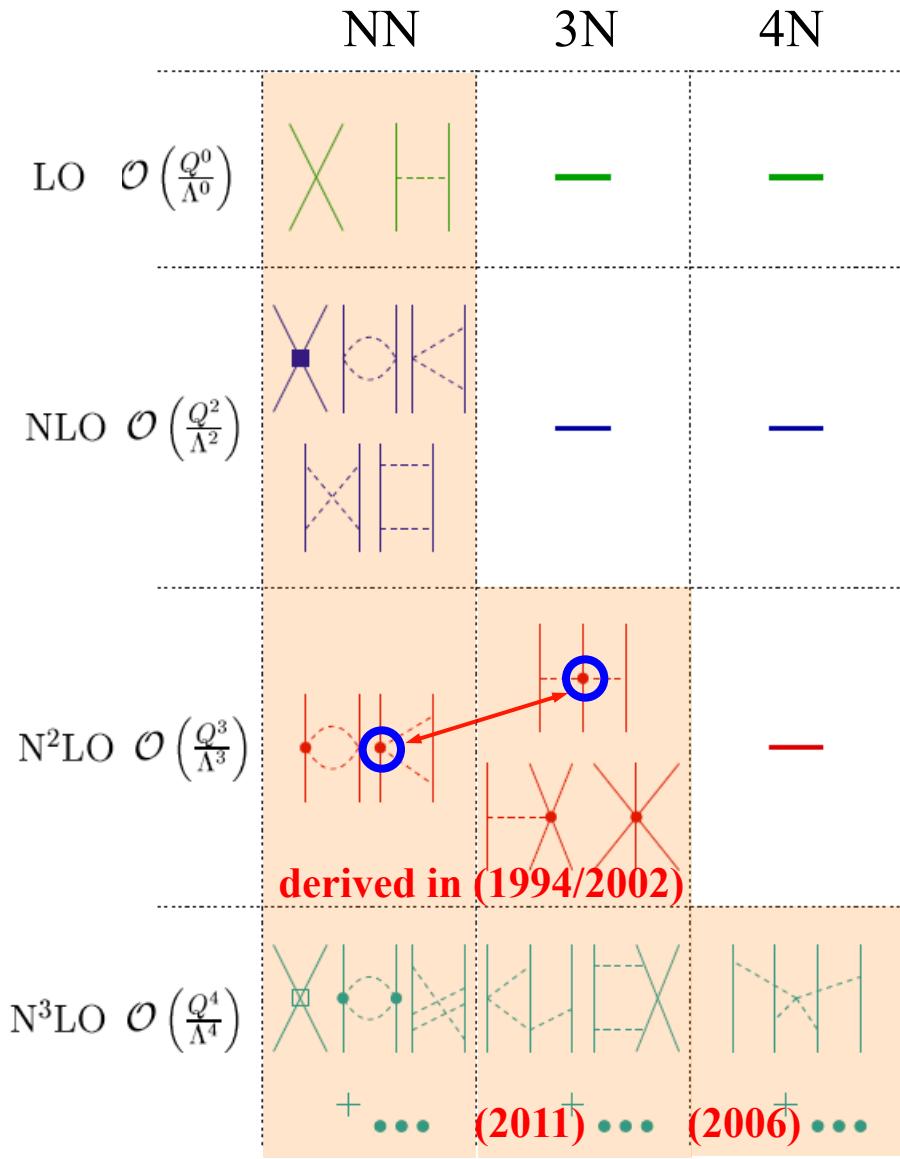
use GP emulator to access arbitrary proton fraction,
solve for beta equilibrium

EOS of neutron star matter
at N²LO and N³LO,
no indication of EFT breakdown

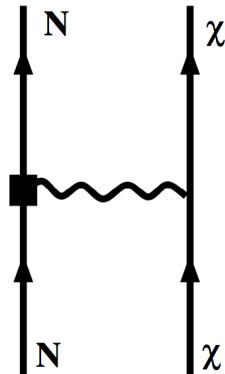
N³LO band prefers higher
pressures, improvement over
older calculations



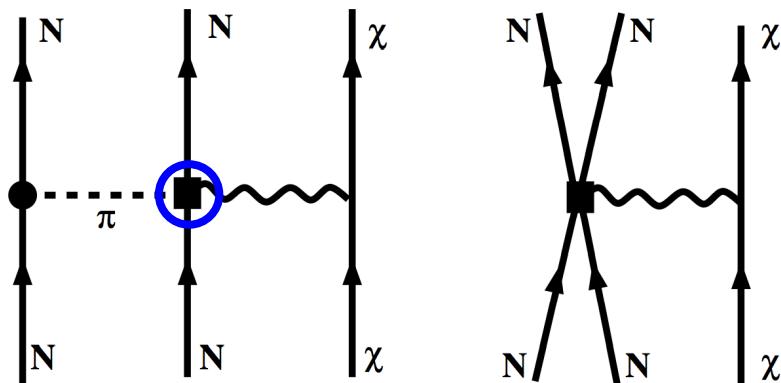
Chiral EFT for coupling to electroweak interactions



axial-vector currents (beta decays)
one-body currents at Q^0 and Q^2



+ two-body currents at Q^3



same couplings in forces and currents

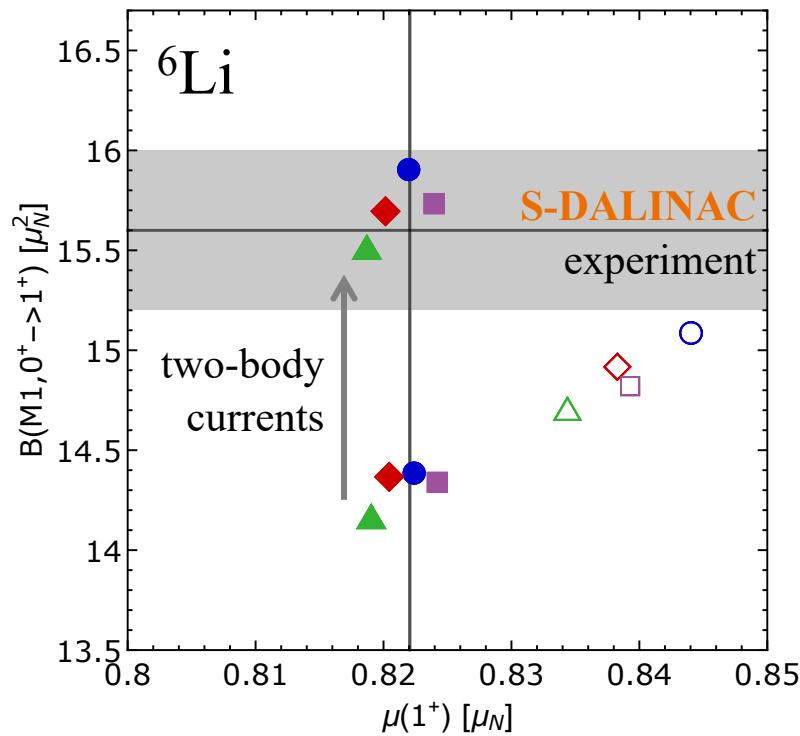
Chiral EFT for coupling to electroweak interactions

consistent electroweak one- and two-body currents

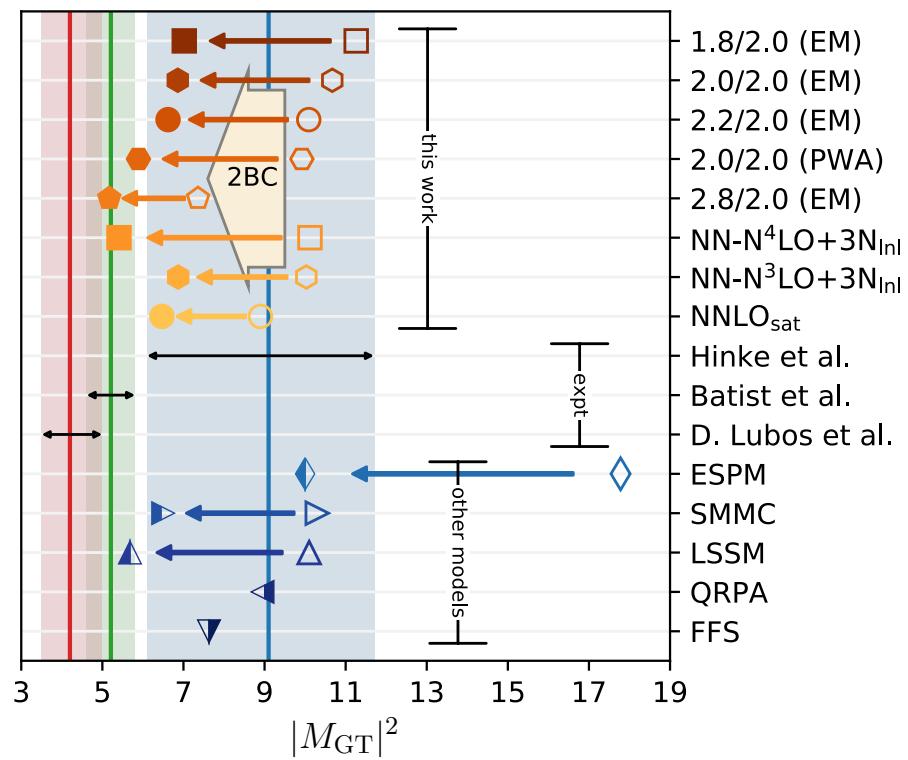
magnetic properties of light nuclei

Pastore et al. (2012-)

$B(M1)$ of ^6Li Gayer et al., PRL (2021)



Gamow-Teller beta decay of ^{100}Sn
Gysbers et al., Nature Phys. (2019)



two-body currents (2BC) key for quenching puzzle of beta decays

Nuclear physics of DM direct detection and CEvNS

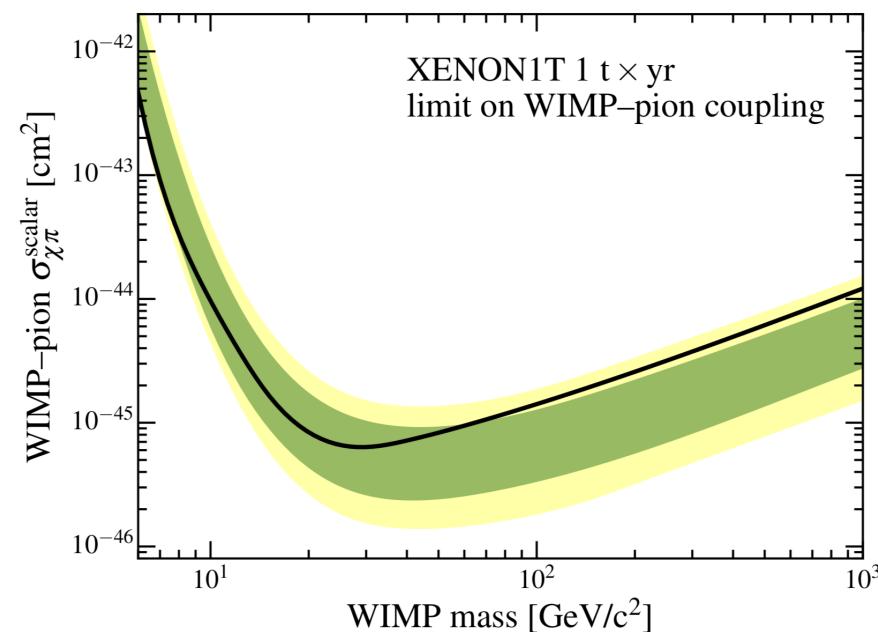
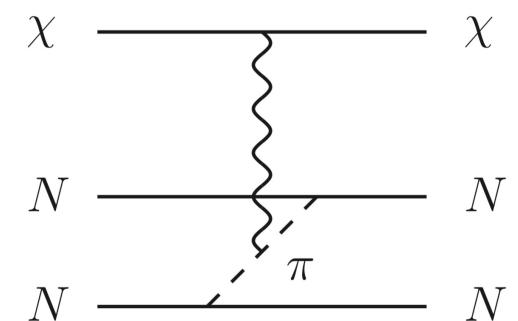
developed general framework for WIMPs coupling to nuclei
based on chiral EFT including two-body currents

Klos, Hoferichter et al., PRD (2013-2019)

first limits for WIMP pion coupling
with XENON1T collaboration

Aprile et al., PRL (2019)

partially coherent between SI and SD



developed consistent chiral EFT responses for CEvNS
Hoferichter et al., PRD (2022)

Summary

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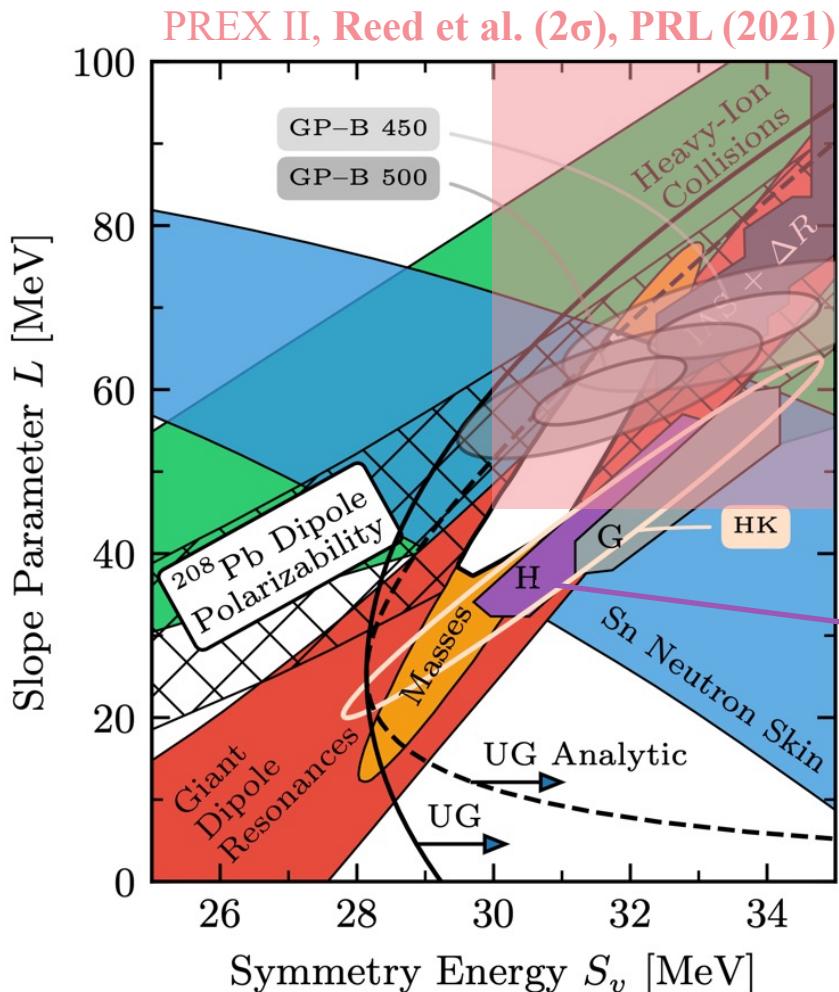
Chiral EFT combined with powerful many-body methods enable great progress for ab initio calculations of nuclei and matter

Reliable EOS up to $\sim 1.5 n_0$ with controlled uncertainties to explore neutron stars + high-density information from astro

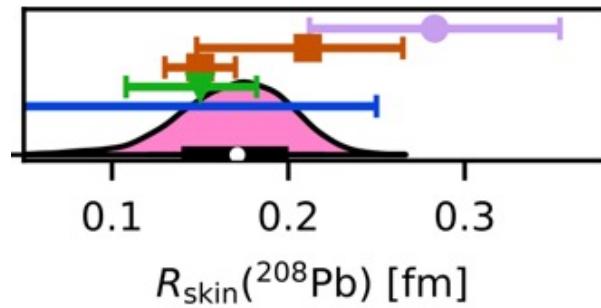
Response functions for DM/CEv-nucleus scattering based on chiral EFT currents, incorporate what we know about QCD

Symmetry energy vs. L parameter

based on Lattimer, Lim, ApJ (2013)



Ab initio calc of ^{208}Pb neutron skin
Hu, Jiang, Miyagi et al., arXiv:2112.01125



Region H corresponds to
 ^{208}Pb neutron skin: 0.14-0.20 fm
Hebeler, Lattimer, Pethick, AS, PRL (2010)

from Drischler, Holt, Wellenhofer, AS, ARNPS (2021)

Note: not all regions are at same saturation density

Impact of PREX and ^{208}Pb dipole polarizability

Essick, Landry, AS, Tews, PRL, PRC (2021)

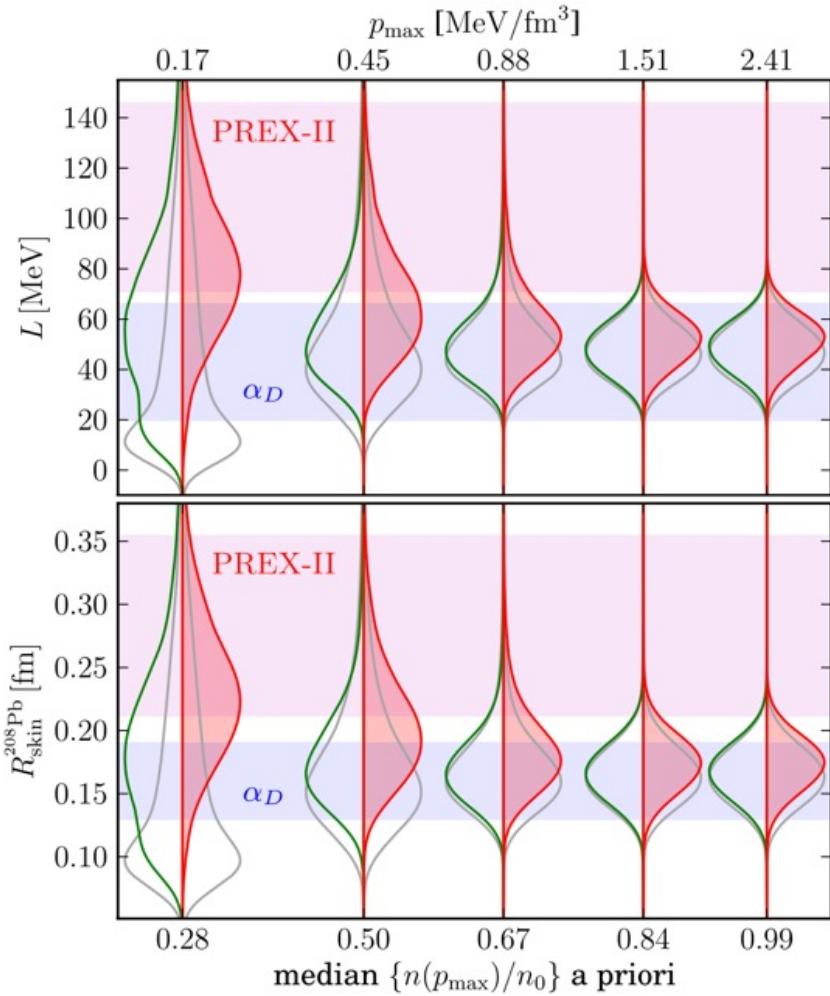
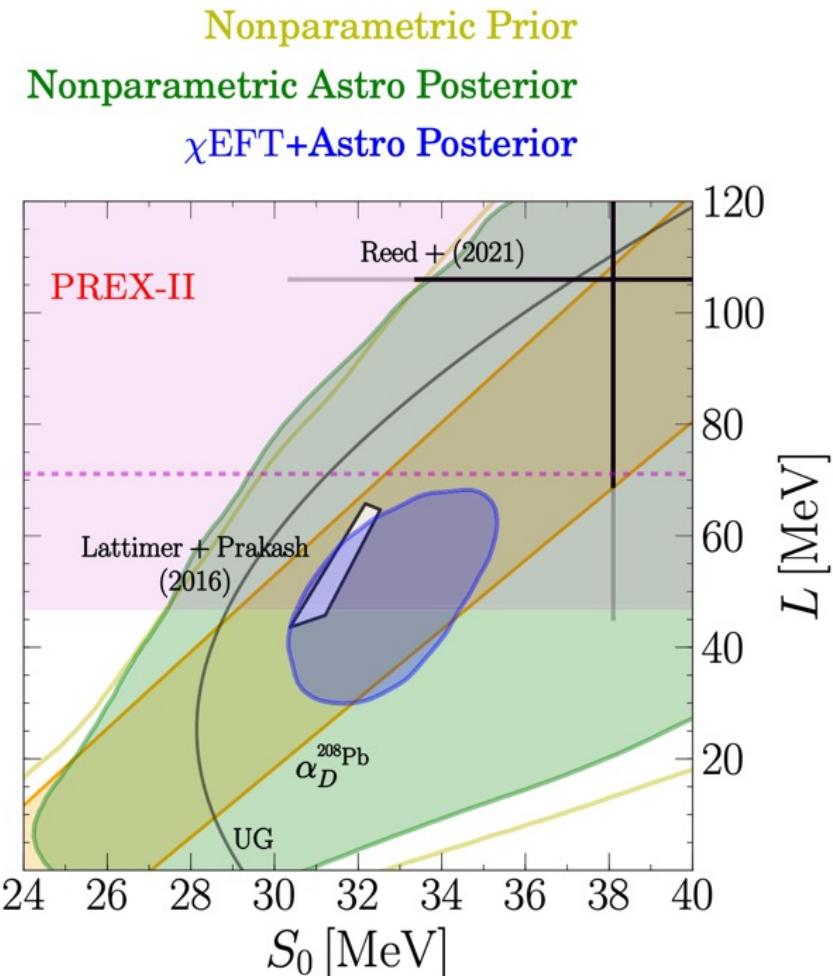


FIG. 2. Prior (gray, unshaded), Astro posterior (green, left-unshaded), and Astro + PREX-II posterior (red, right-shaded)

^{208}Pb dipole polarizability Tamii et al., PRL (2021)
very consistent with $\chi\text{EFT+Astro posterior}$

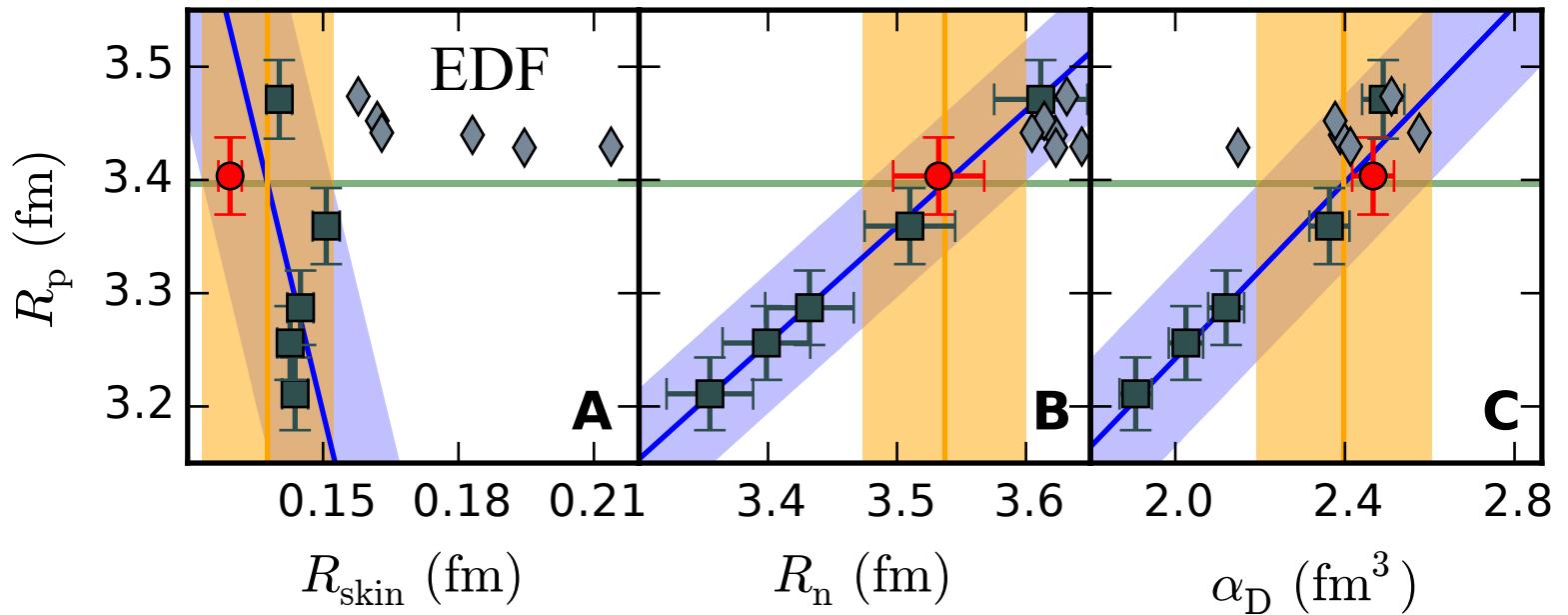
Neutron skin and dipole polarizability of ^{48}Ca

Hagen et al., Nature Phys. (2015)

ab initio calculations lead to charge distributions consistent with exp,

predict **small neutron skin**

dipole polarizability α_D



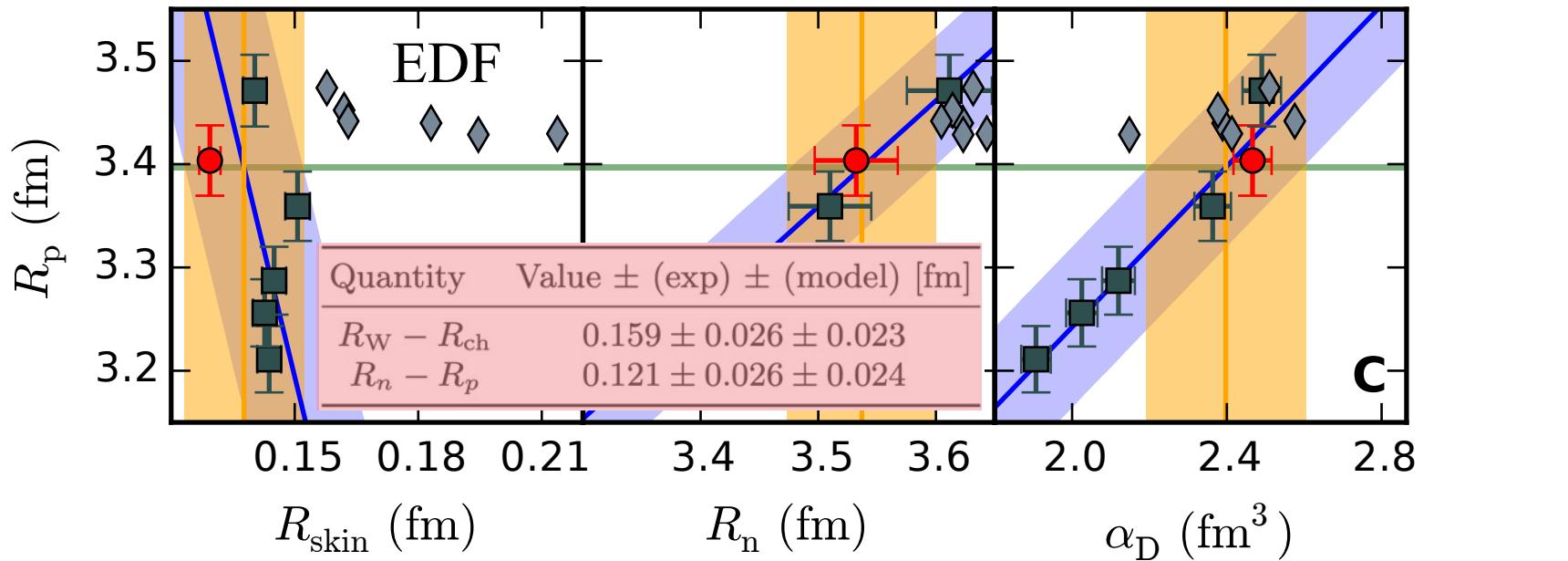
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agrees with dipole polarizability from
Darmstadt-Osaka exp Birkhan et al., PRL (2017)
+ with CREX result Adhikari et al., PRL (2022)

