

Truncation errors in effective field theory for infinite nuclear matter



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This [...] **symposium** will facilitate

- **cross-communication** and **potential collaboration** on statistical applications among researchers from mathematics, statistics, and nuclear/particle physics [...]
- try to **fill a knowledge gap** and provide a unique opportunity for physicists who are unfamiliar with Bayesian methods to start applying them to new problems

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astrophysics
neutron stars,
supernovae, ...

**effective
field
theory**

nuclear physics
structure & reactions
of nuclei

nuclear matter

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(First) Direct detection of gravitational waves

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multi-messenger
astronomy

- + Virgo
- + GEO600
- + ...

Binary Neutron-Star Merger

Nobel Prize 2017

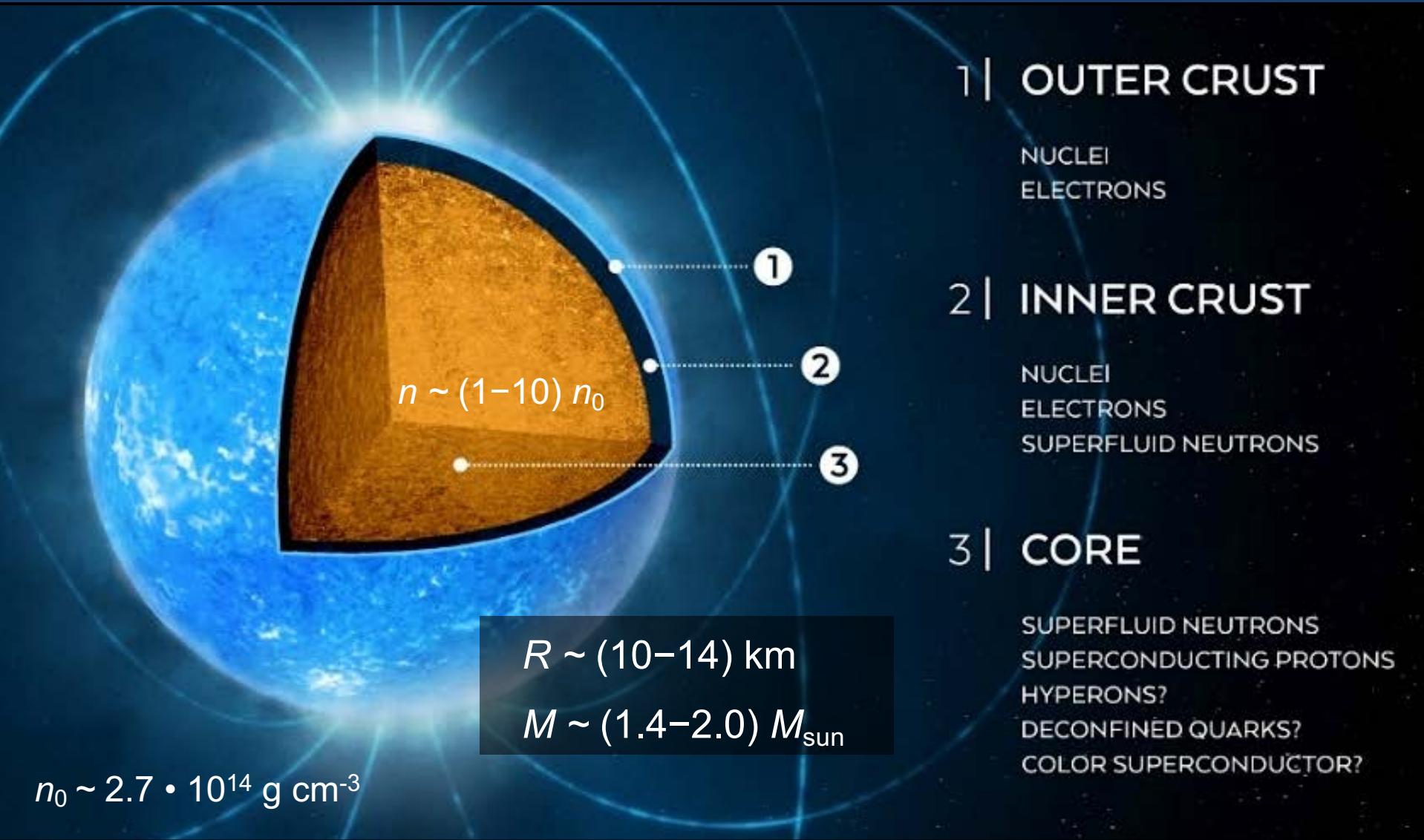


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Neutron stars

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e.g., Watts *et al.*, Rev. Mod. Phys. **88**, 021001



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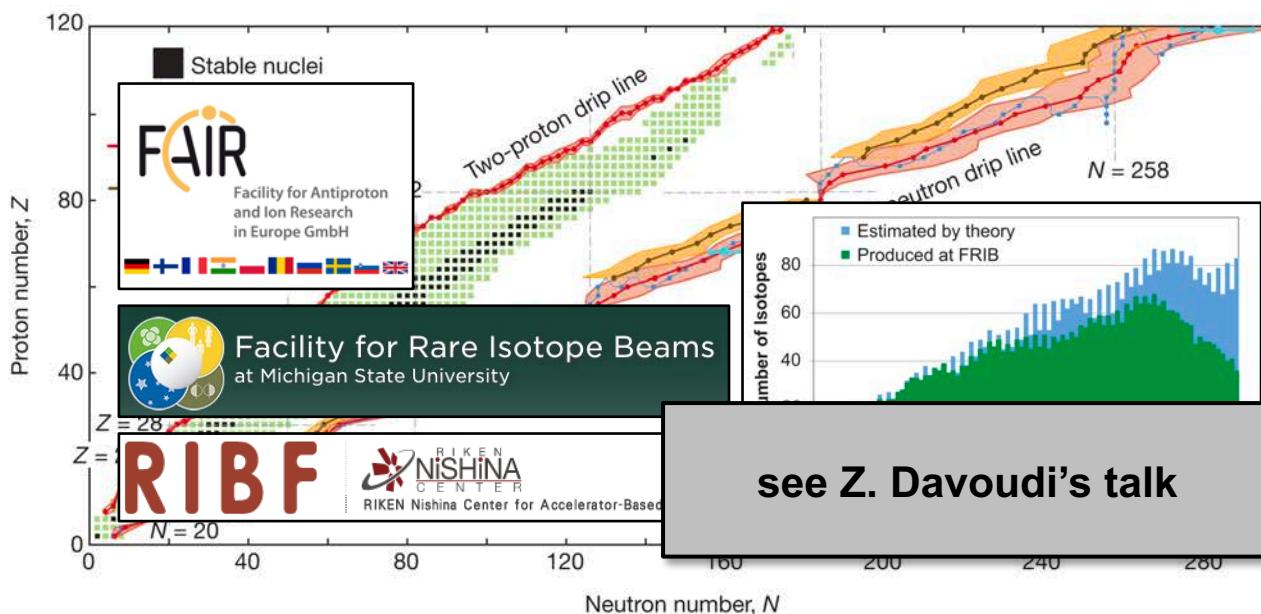
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Erler *et al.*, Nature **486**, 509–512

Where do heavy elements come from?

How does the nuclear chart emerge from QCD?

How to predict properties of nuclei?



observables

many-body framework

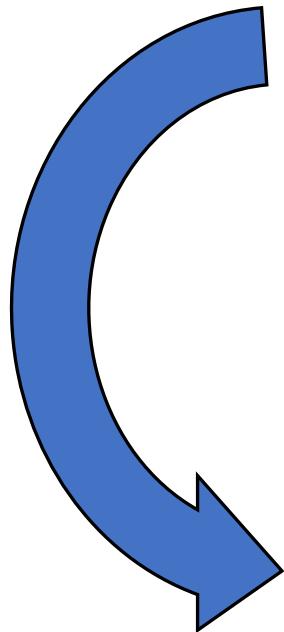
effective field theory

quantum chromodynamics

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see also Hebeler *et al.*, ARNPS 65, 457



equation of state
neutron-star matter | nuclear saturation

many-body perturbation theory
computational efficient
many-body uncertainty estimates

chiral effective field theory
systematic expansion of nuclear forces
truncation error estimates



NPLQCD

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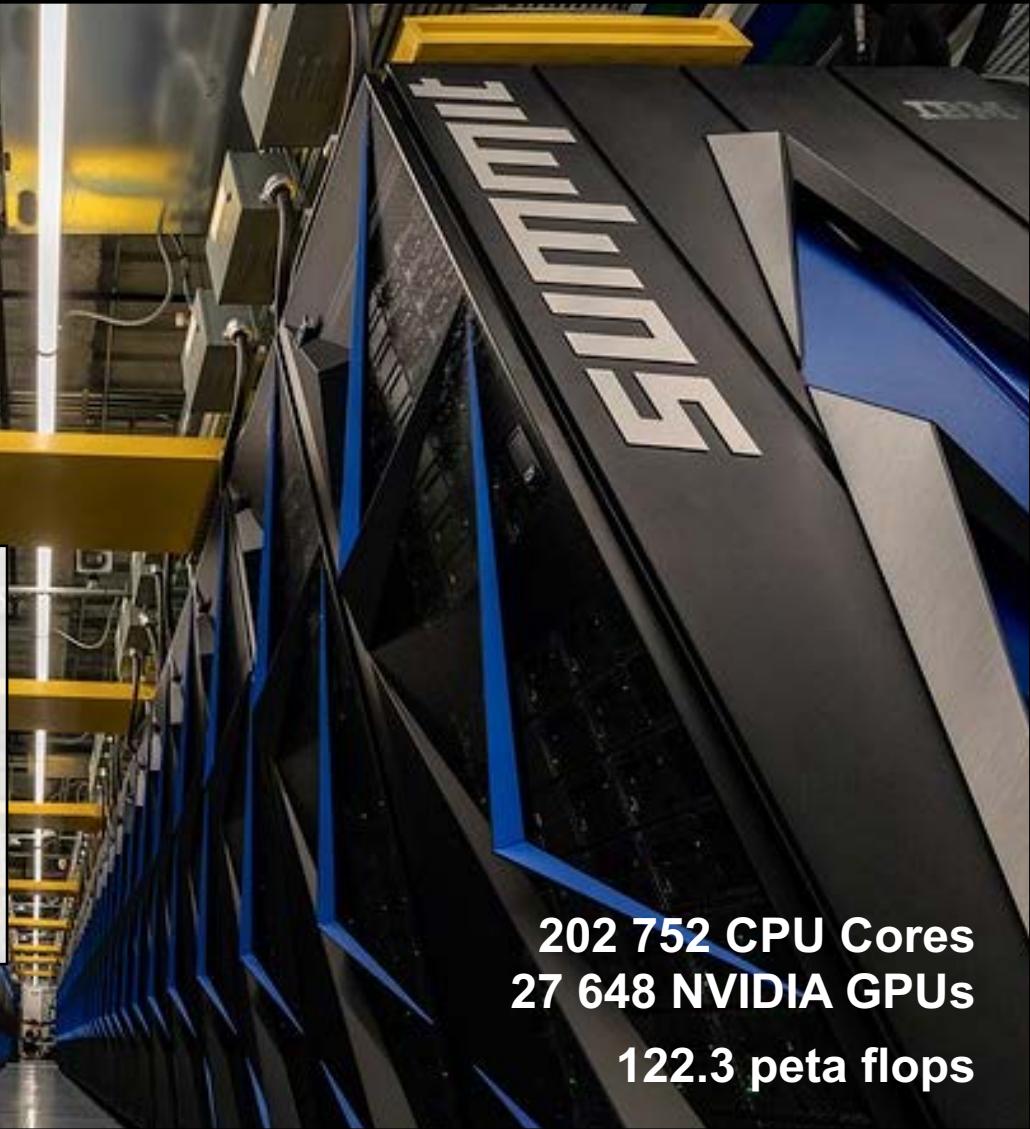
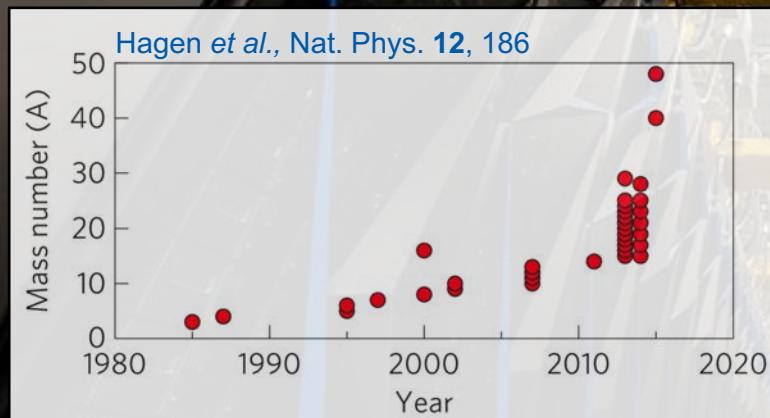
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Next-generation supercomputers

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#1



202 752 CPU Cores
27 648 NVIDIA GPUs
122.3 peta flops

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Equation Of State

ground-state energy
per particle of a system

$$\frac{E}{A} (n, \beta, T)$$

total density
neutron excess
temperature

consisting of **neutron** and **protons**

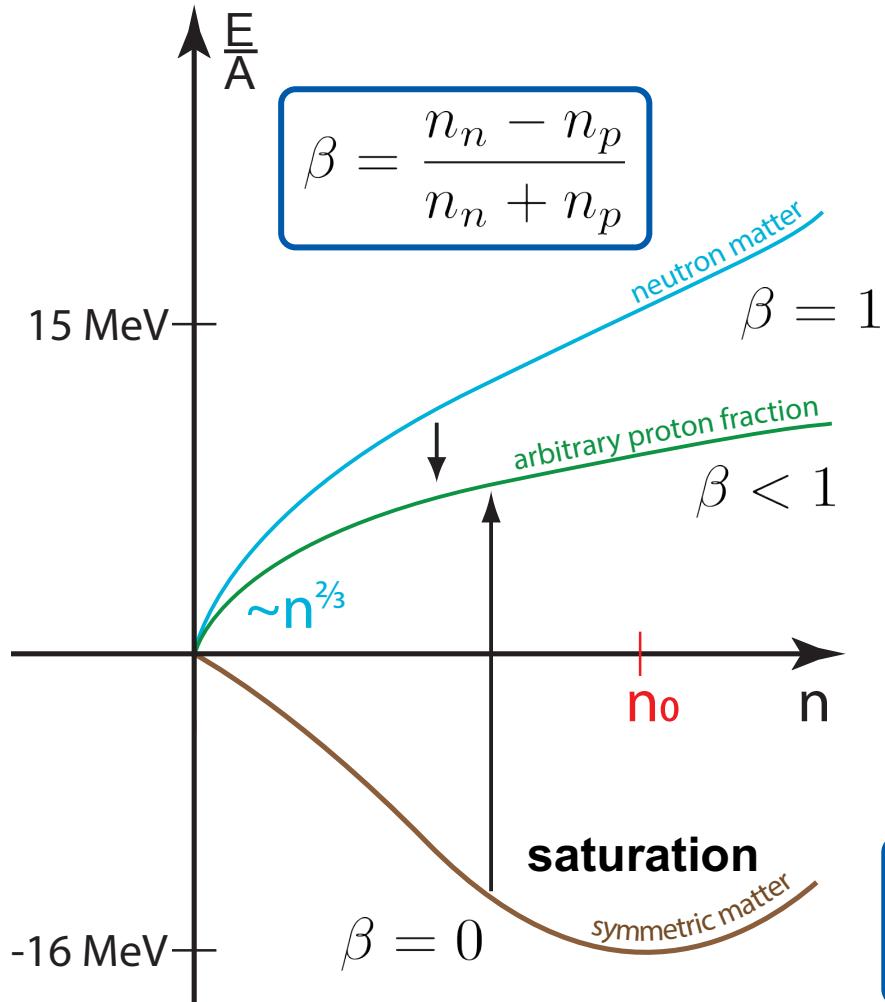
$$n = n_n + n_p$$

neutron | proton density

$$\beta = \frac{n_n - n_p}{n}$$

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Homogeneous nuclear matter



theoretical **testbed** for nuclear forces with important consequences for EOS

saturation point

$(n_0 \sim 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}, a_v \sim 16 \text{ MeV})$

incompressibility ($K \sim 240 \text{ MeV}$)

symmetry energy ($E_{\text{sym}} \sim 32 \text{ MeV}$) and its **slope** ($L \sim 55 \text{ MeV}$) at n_0

$$11.1 \text{ km} \leq R_{1.4 M_\odot} \leq 12.7 \text{ km}$$

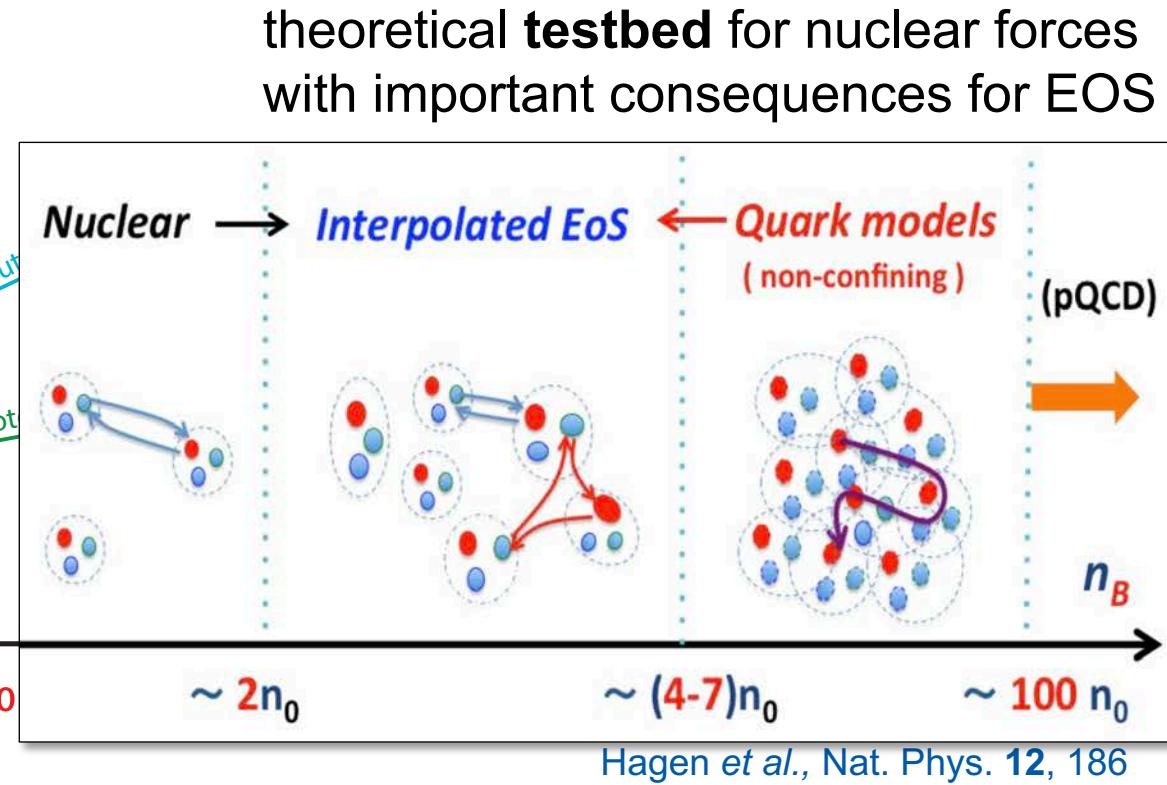
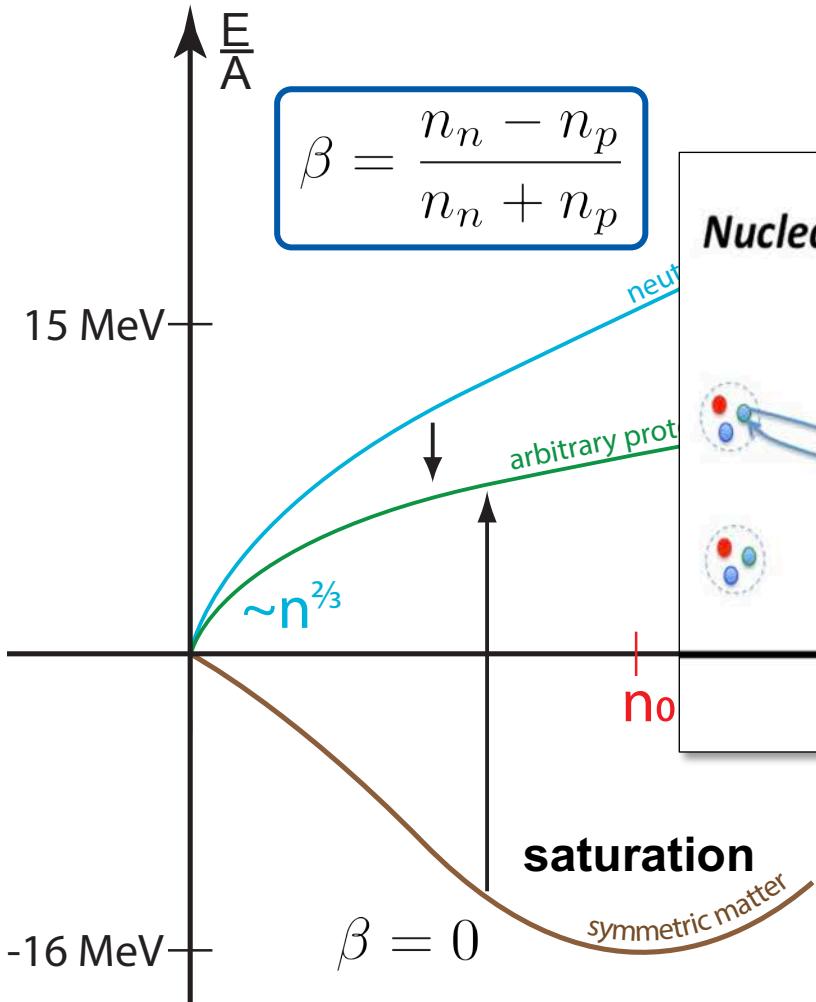
Hagen et al., Nat. Phys. 12, 186

$$\frac{E}{A}(\beta, n) = \frac{E}{A}(\beta = 0, n) + \beta^2 E_{\text{sym}}(n)$$

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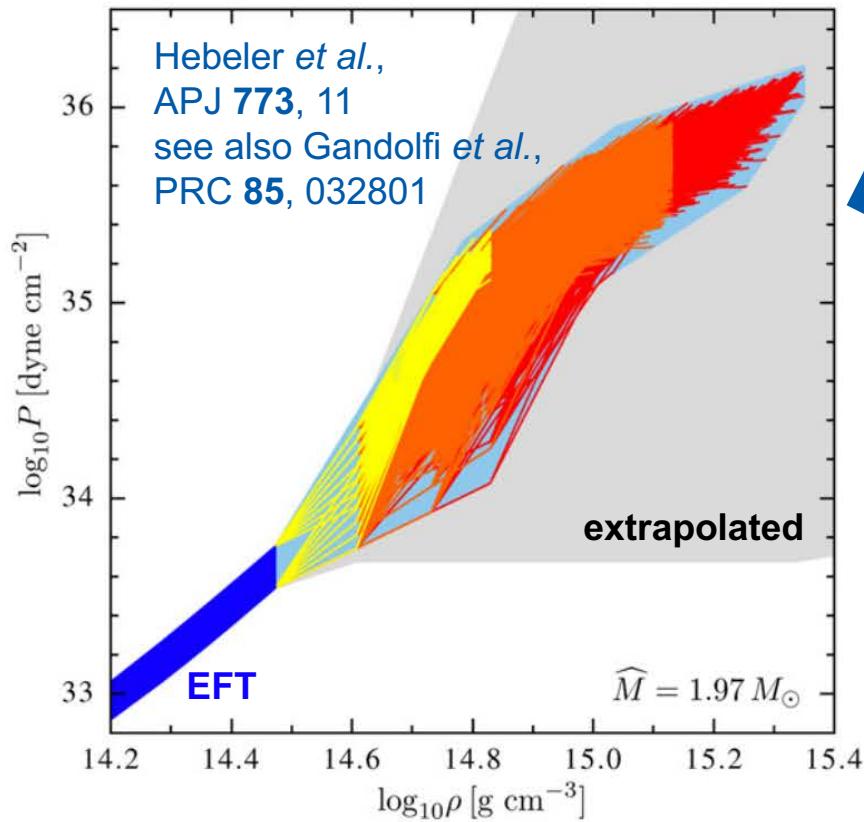
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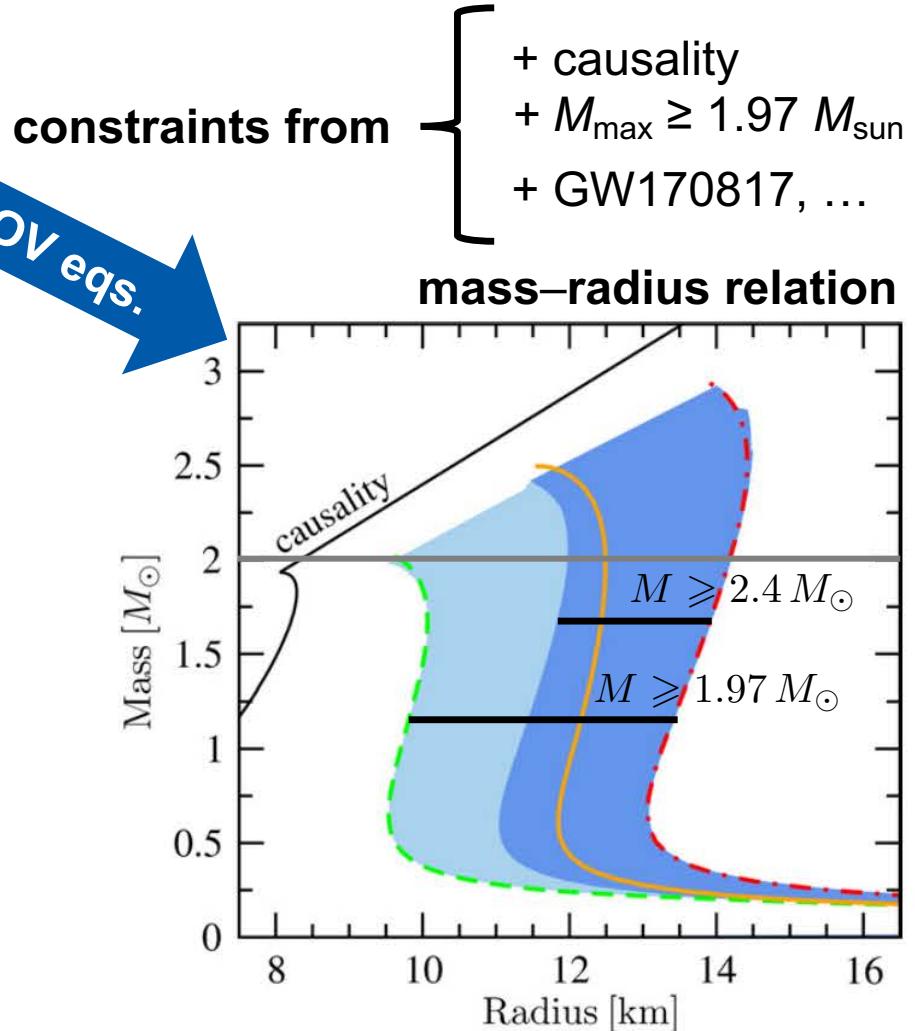
Mass–radius relation

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see, e.g., Greif et al., MNRAS 485, 4



$$R_{1.4 M_\odot} = 9.7 - 13.9 \text{ km}$$



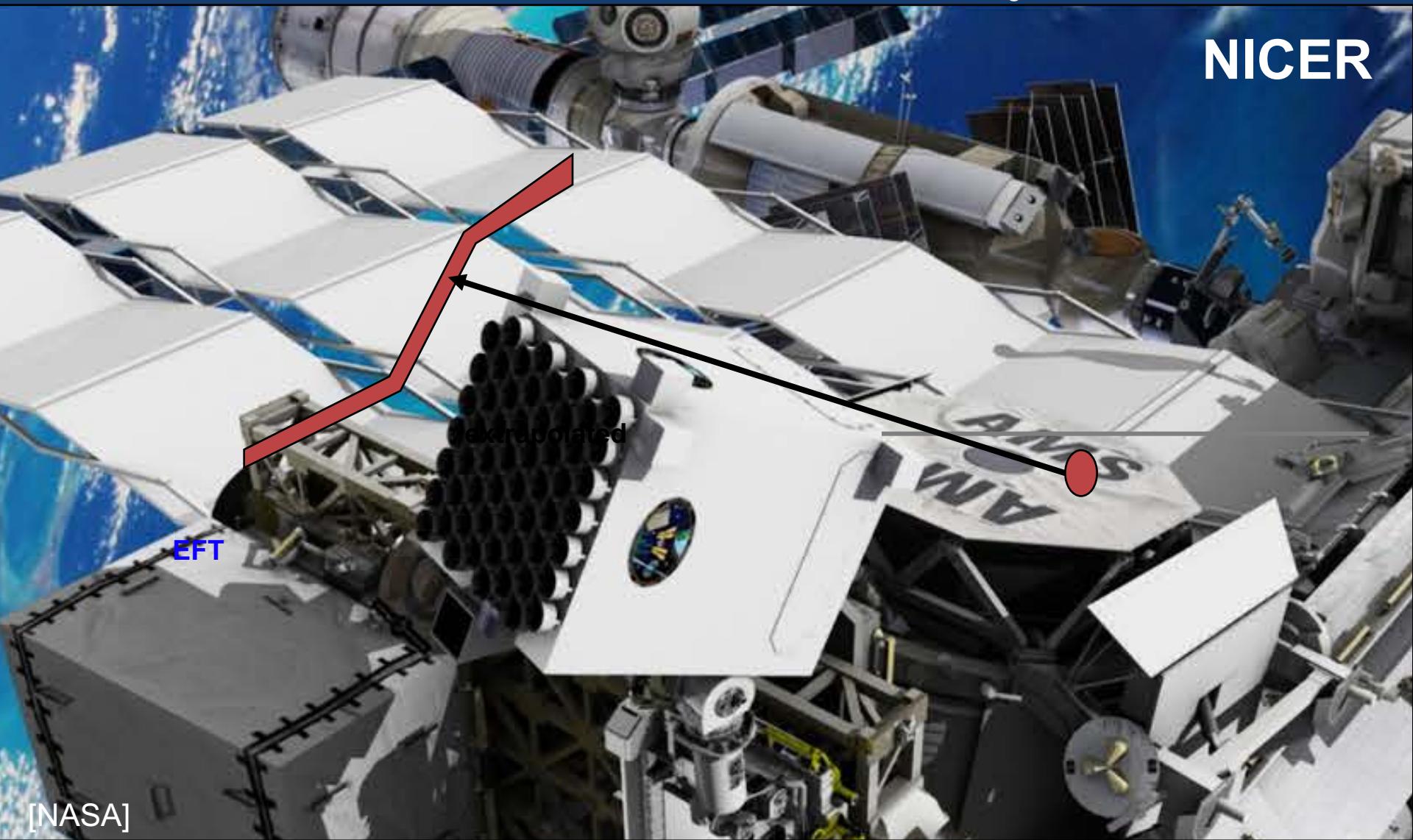
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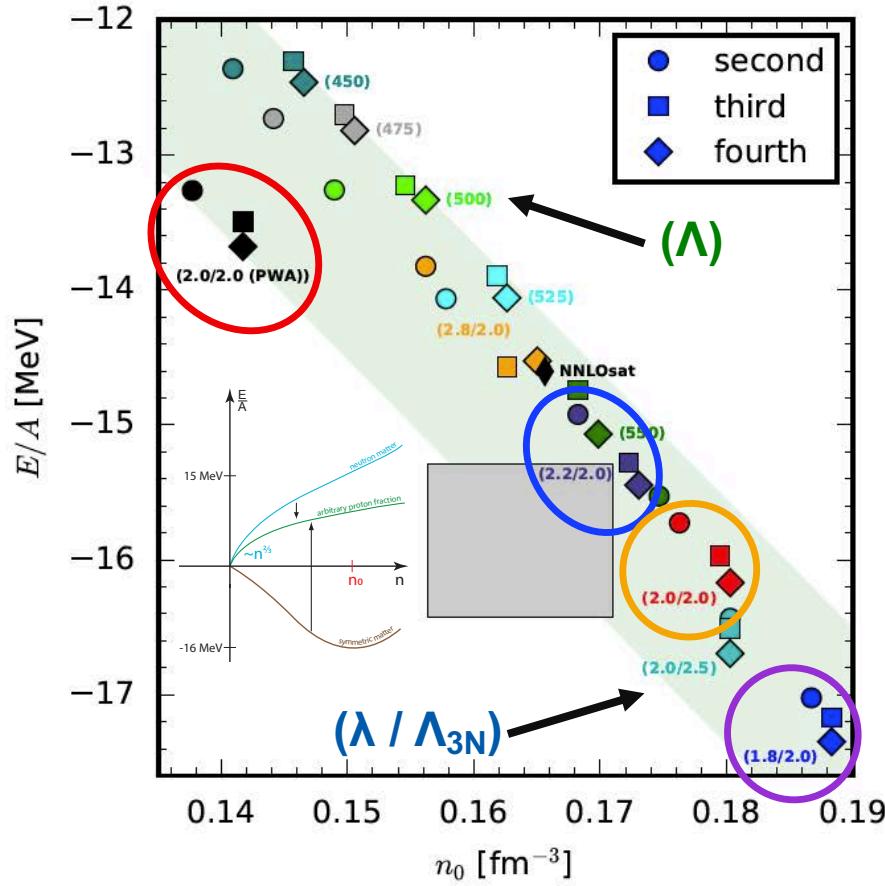
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Nuclear saturation

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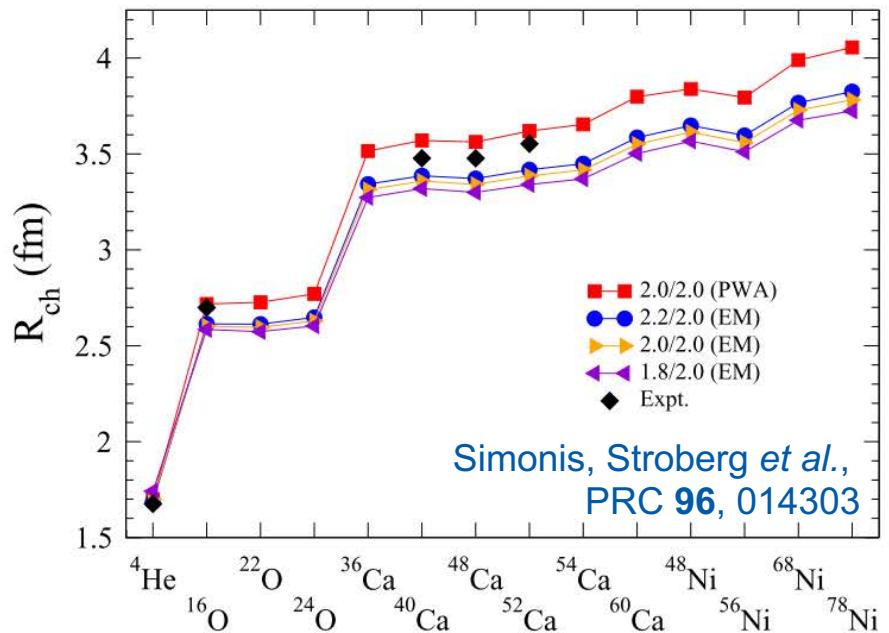
see also Hoppe, CD, Hebeler *et al.*, PRC 100, 024318

Homogeneous Matter



magic 1.8 / 2.0 (EM) agrees well with experimental data!

Finite Nuclei

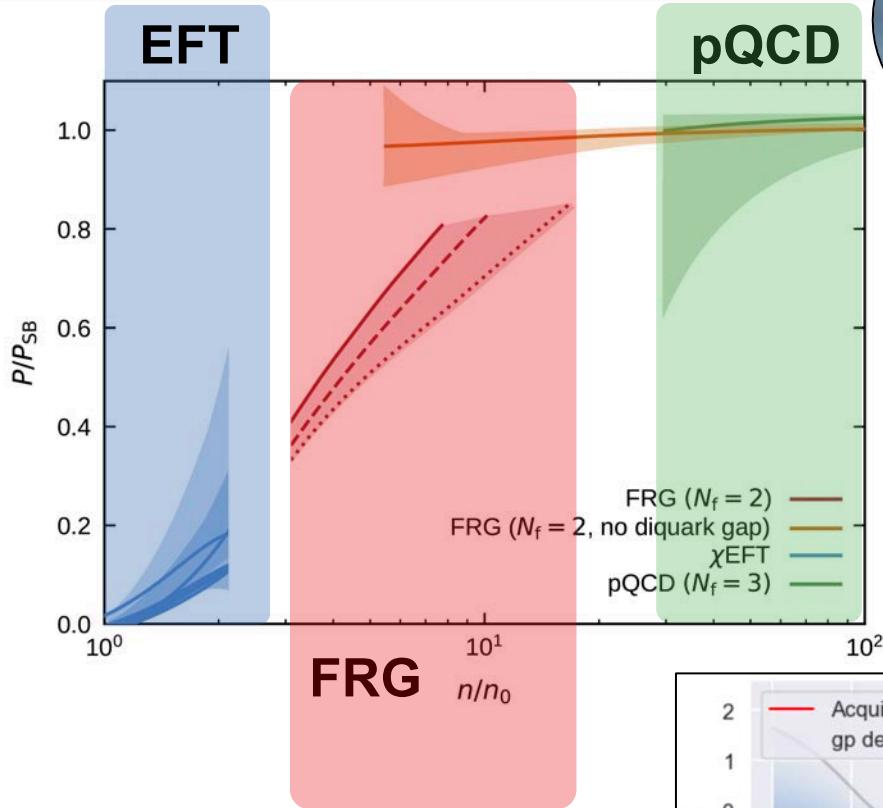


CD, Hebeler, Schwenk, PRL 122, 042501

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Derived quantities: pressure



in future, derivatives
using GPs instead of
finite differencing?

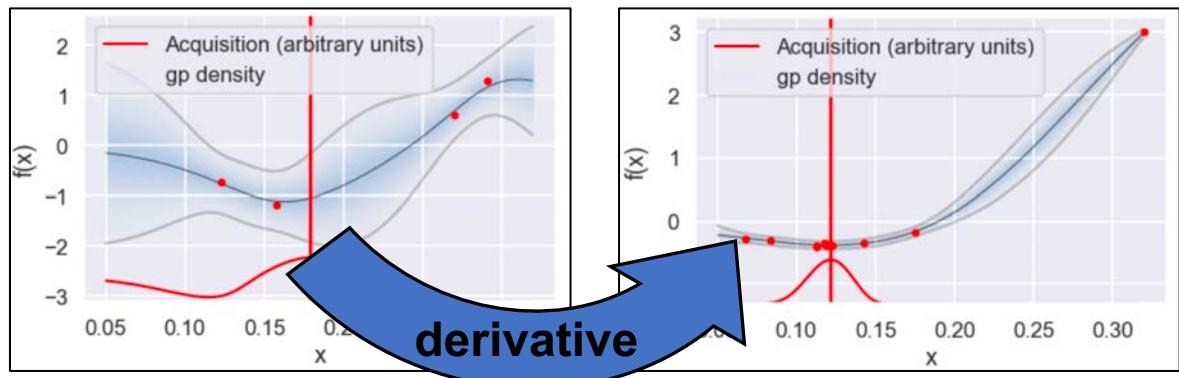


Leonhardt, Pospiech, Schallmo,
Braun, CD, Hebeler, Schwenk,
arXiv:1907.05814

Pressure

$$P(n, \beta) = n^2 \frac{\partial E/A}{\partial n}(n, \beta)$$

EFT seems to **match** first
constraints from QCD at
intermediate densities



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Hierarchy of nuclear forces in chiral EFT

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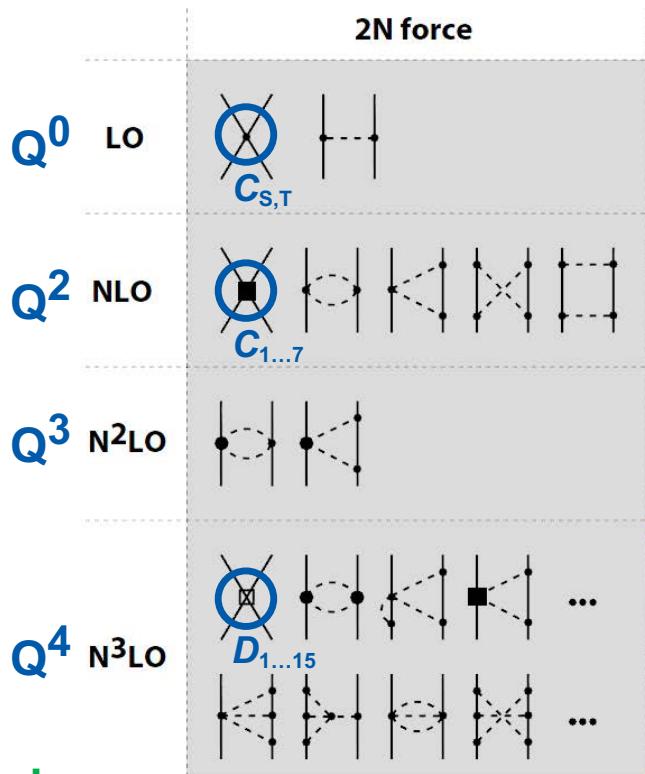
e.g., Machleidt, Entem, Phys. Rep. 503, 1

modern approach to nuclear forces:

- QCD is nonperturbative at the low-energy scales of nuclear physics
- use relevant instead of the fundamental degrees of freedom: e.g., **nucleons** and **pions**
- **pion exchanges** and short-range **contact interactions** (\propto LEC)
- systematic expansion enables improvable **uncertainty estimates**

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

Expansion



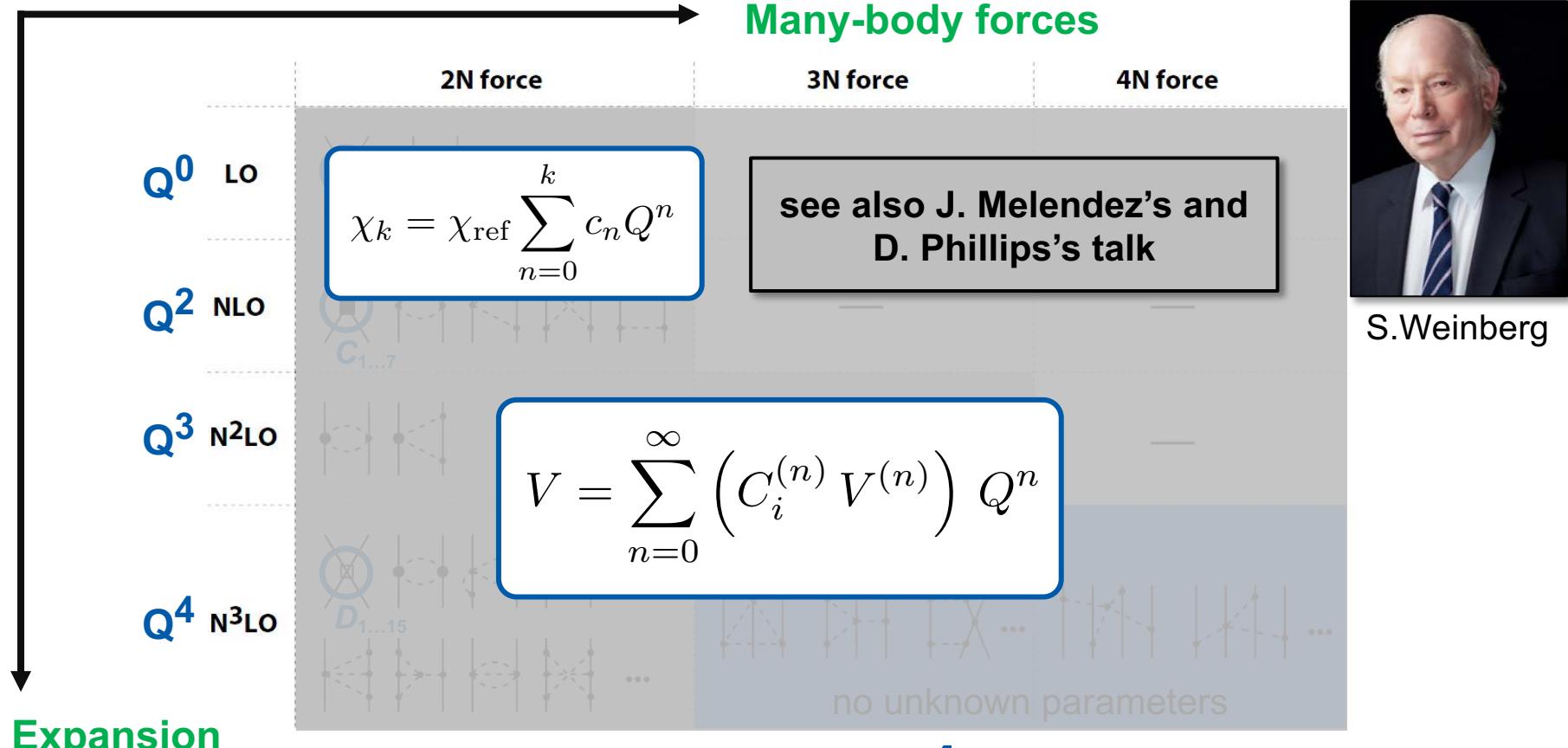
Weinberg, van Kolck, Kaplan, Savage, Wise, Epelbaum, Kaiser, Krebs, Machleidt, Meißner, ...

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S.Weinberg

Expansion

... and ongoing work at **N⁴LO** and even **N⁵LO...**

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Many new potentials available!

Semilocal momentum-space regularized chiral two-nucleon potentials
up to fifth order

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High-quality two-nucleon potentials up to fifth order of the chiral expansion

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Uncertainty Analysis and Order-by-Order Optimization of Chiral Nuclear Interactions

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³Physics Department, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, USA
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Minimally nonlocal nucleon-nucleon potentials with chiral two-pion exchange
including Δ resonances

M. Piarulli,¹ L. Girlanda,^{2,3} R. Schiavilla,^{1,4} R. Navarro,⁵ and J. Gasser⁶

see M. Piarulli's talk

Δ isobars and nuclear saturation

A. Ekström,¹ G. Hagen,^{2,3} T. D. Morris,^{2,3} T. Papenbrock,^{2,3} and P. D. Schwartz^{2,3}

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²Center for Theoretical Physics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA 02139, USA
³Computational University of Granada, Granada, Spain

Three-nucleon force in chiral EFT with explicit $\Delta(1232)$ degrees of freedom:
Longest-range contributions at fourth order

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e.g., Carlsson, Ekström, Entem, Epelbaum, Forssén, Gezerlis, Krebs, Machleidt, Piarulli, Reinert, Tews

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Efficient Monte Carlo framework

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CD, Hebeler, Schwenk, PRL 122, 042501



efficient evaluation of diagrams (single-particle basis)

- **implementing diagrams** has become **straightforward** (also particle-hole or 3N terms)
- using **automatic code generation** based on analytic expressions
- multi-dimensional momentum integrals: VEGAS (openMP, MPI, and CUDA)
- **computational beast**: controlled computation of arbitrary interaction or many-body diagrams

EOS up to
high orders



automatic code
generation



analytic form
of the diagrams

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Number of diagrams in 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.

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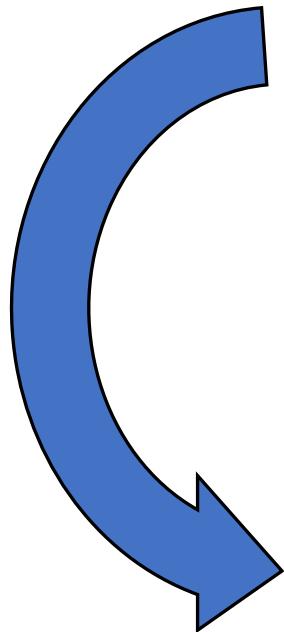
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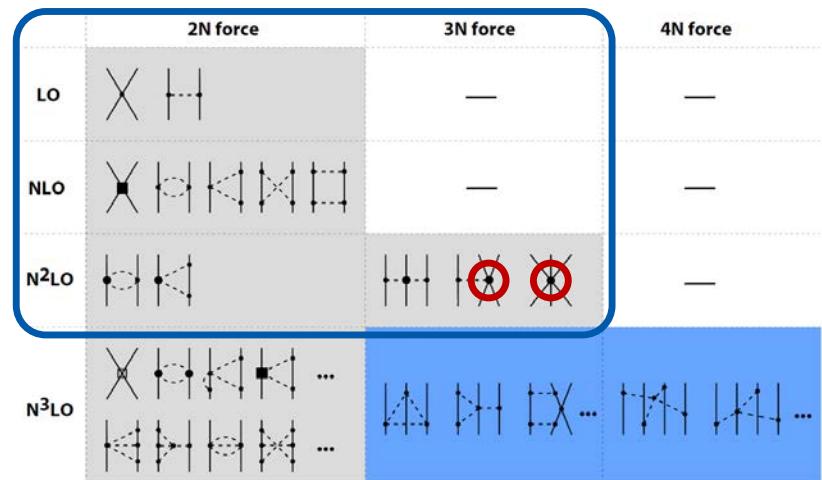
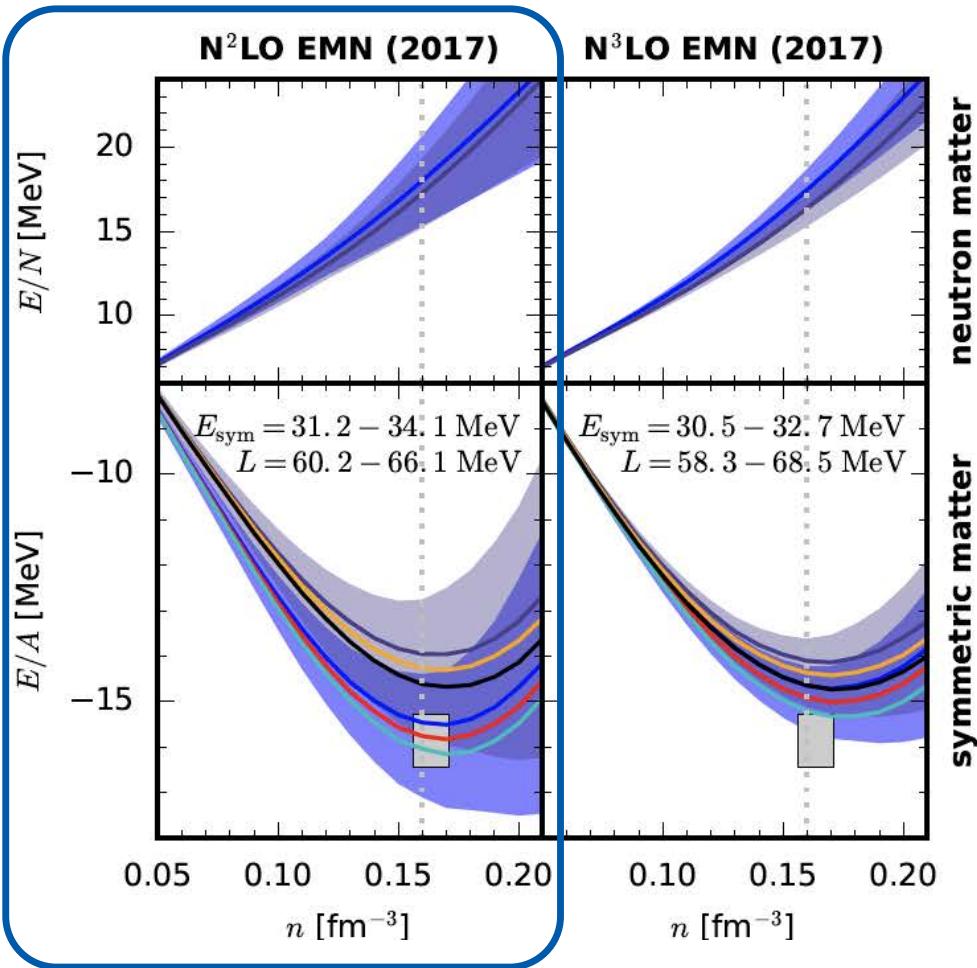
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Neutron and nuclear matter at N³LO

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reduced uncertainties
due to N³LO contributions !

left column:

Λ/c_D [MeV]/[1]	
450/2.25	500/-1.75
450/2.50	500/-1.50
450/2.75	500/-1.25

right column:

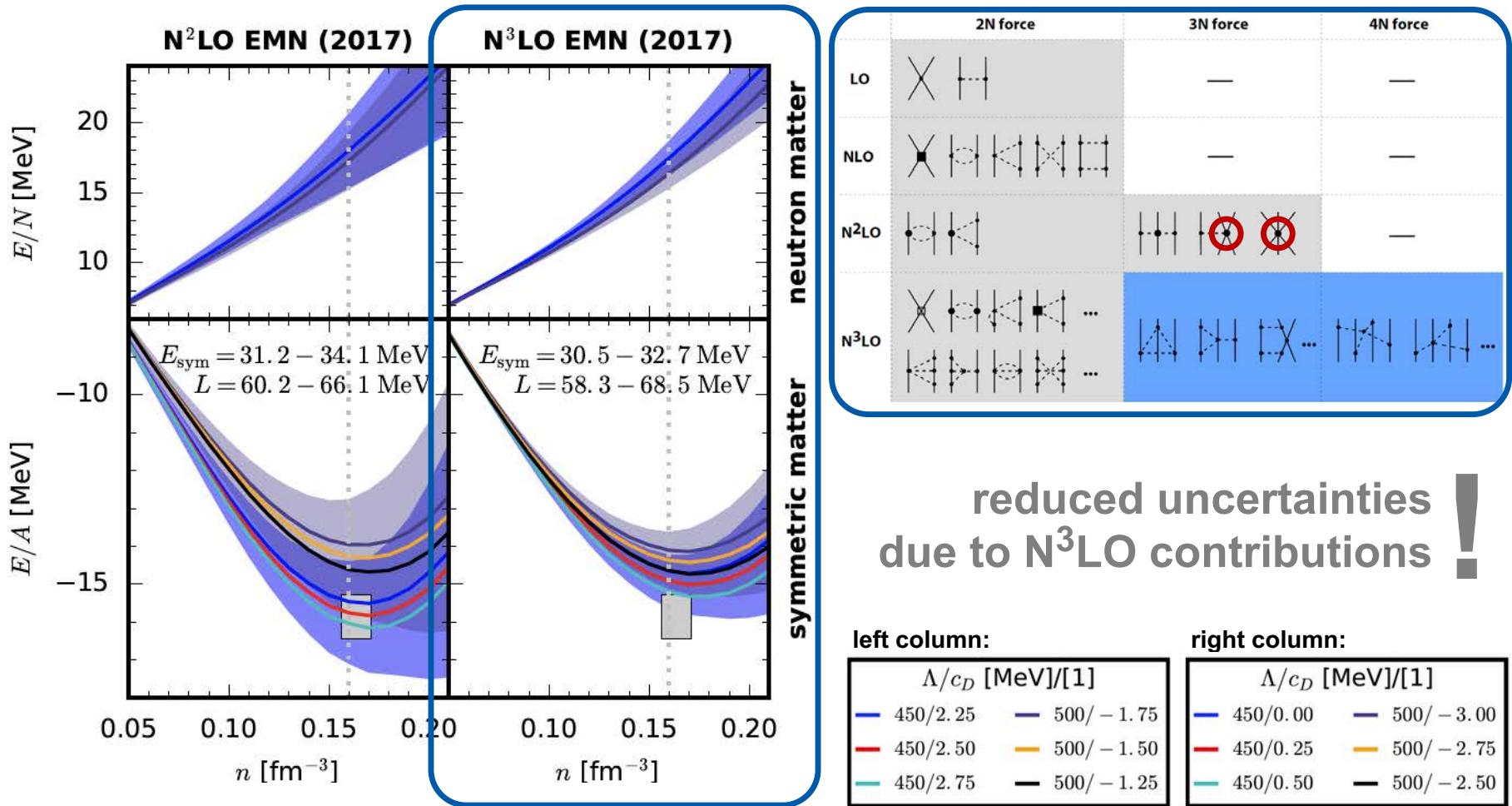
Λ/c_D [MeV]/[1]	
450/0.00	500/-3.00
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450/0.50	500/-2.50

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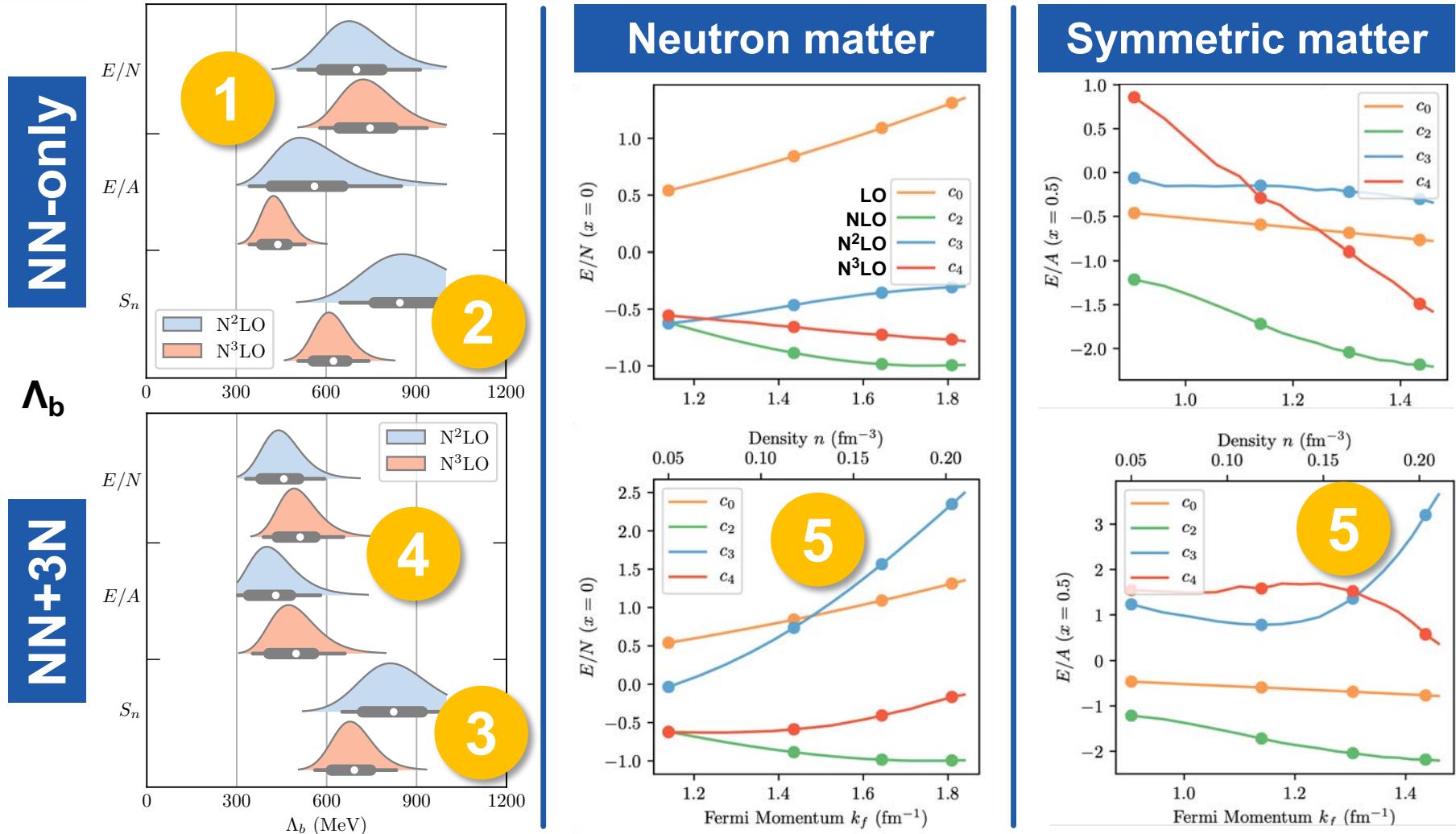
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Truncation error analysis: $\Lambda = 450$ MeV



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with Melendez, Furnstahl, Phillips



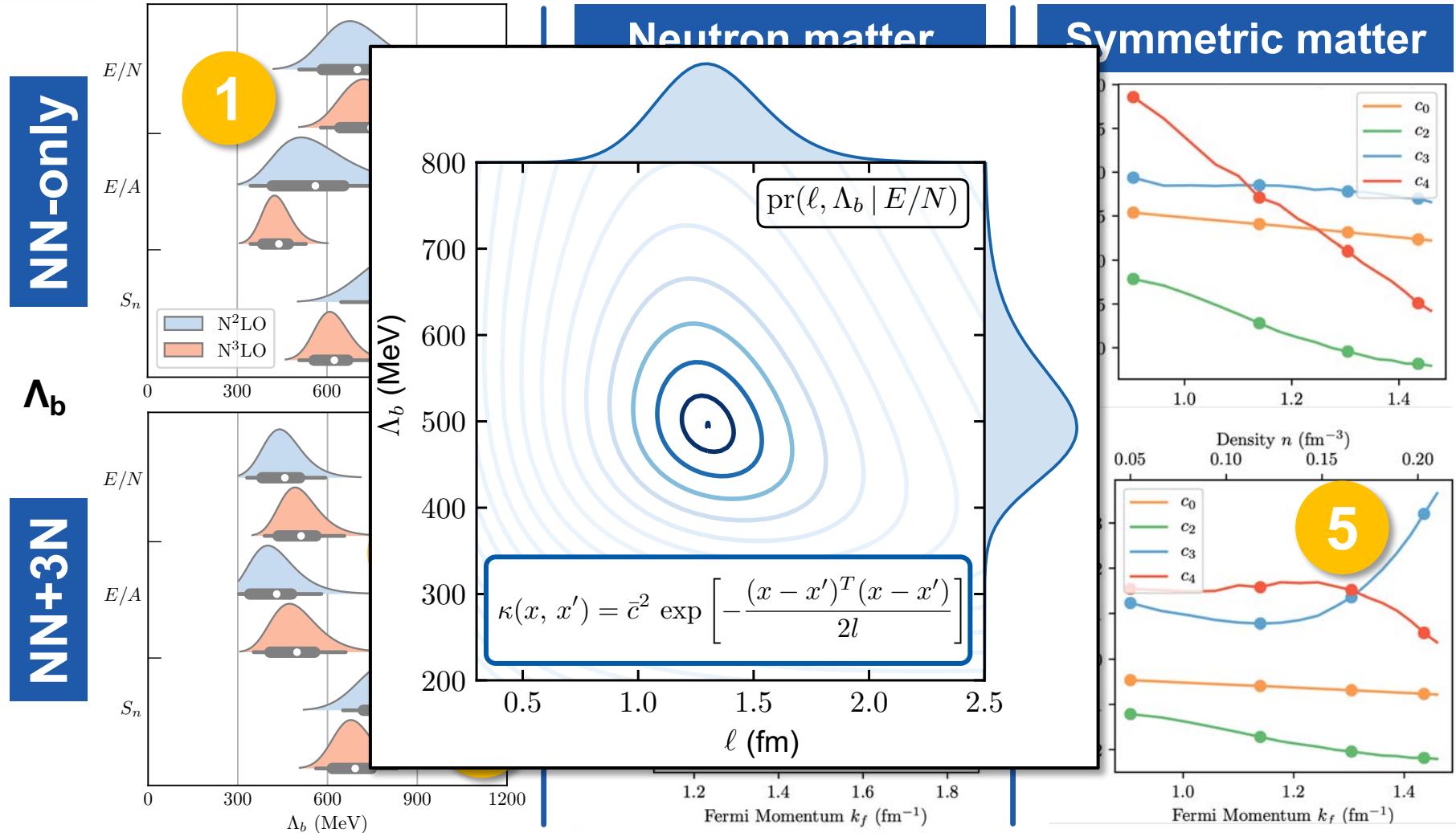
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Questions for discussion(s) I

What is the physical interpretation of the **correlation length** in nuclear matter? Is there a 1:1 mapping from the incompressibility to that correlation length? How could we make use of that information?

Our analysis infers a most probable **expansion parameter**. **Should** one then assume a momentum scale (e.g., k_F) to convert this to a breakdown scale? Or, should one assume a breakdown scale (e.g., Λ_b) from an NN analysis and convert the expansion parameter to a momentum scale in infinite matter?

How should uncertainties from the EOS be propagated to derived quantities, e.g., pressure or speed of sound? Will the use of GPs as interpolants for the EFT coefficients mean that it is easy to reconstruct such quantities which are computed as **derivatives of the EOS**?

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Questions for discussion(s) II

What is the 2D 68% confidence region on the **saturation point**?

How does this change if that region is conditioned not just on EDFs, but also on information from *ab initio* calculations?

What would it take to include data on the empirical saturation point, or constraints on the neutron-matter EOS from neutron-star observations, in **fits of nuclear forces** from chiral EFT?

How should we **score** different chiral EFT forces against such data? How many orders are enough given the current accuracy of *experimental* constraints on infinite matter? What degrees of freedom, e.g., delta-full vs. chiral EFT, do we need to consider?

How should we deal with soft potentials that cause suppressed contributions from odd chiral orders? **Separate expansions** for even | odd orders? What are the implications for truncation errors?

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Summary and outlook



1

Perform zero-T calculations (up to high order)

resummation, higher-order single-particle spectra, ...

2

Work out finite-T extension (to third order)

finish developments, study thermodynamic properties, ...

3

Construct high-density | temperature EOS

observational constraints, interface to astrophysics, ...

4

Quantify theoretical uncertainties

Bayesian truncation errors: naturalness, breakdown scale, ...

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