

Neutron Stars

Lecture 3: Dense matter and phase transitions

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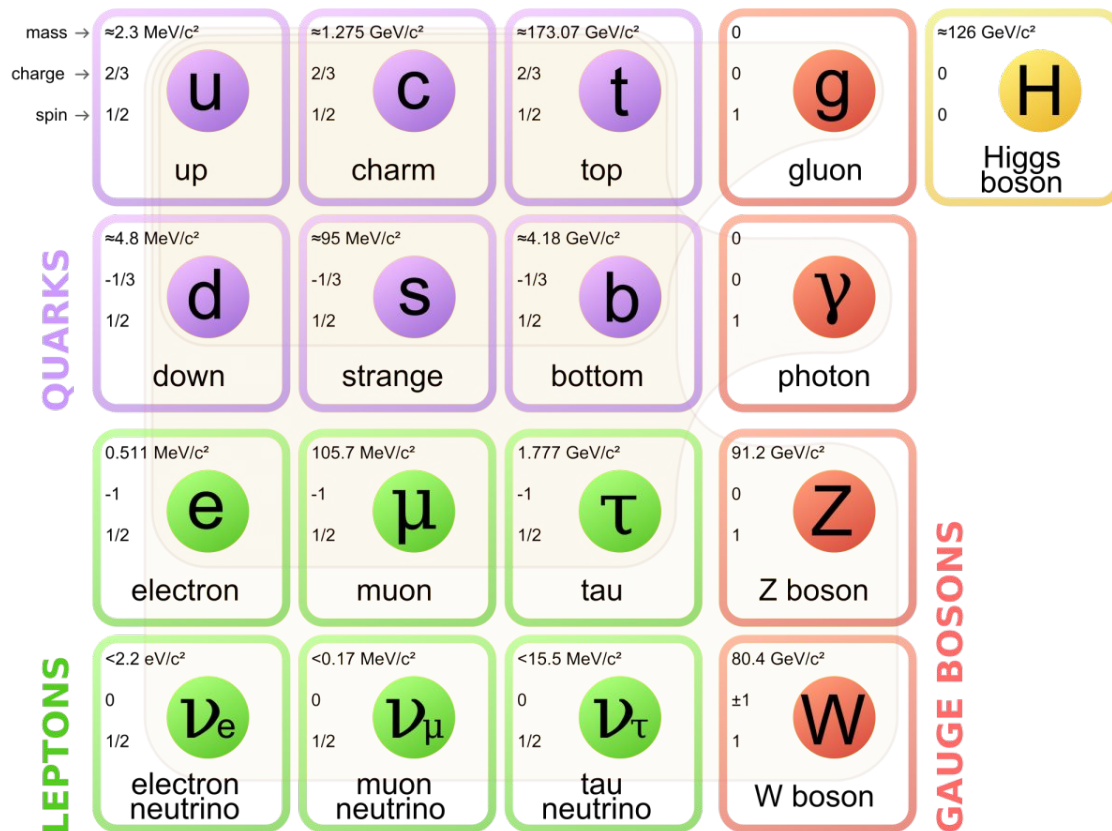


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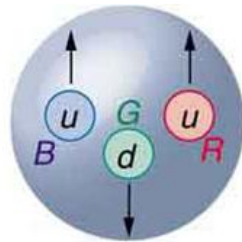
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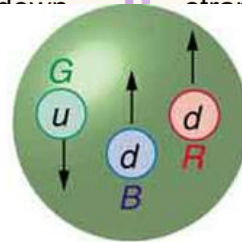
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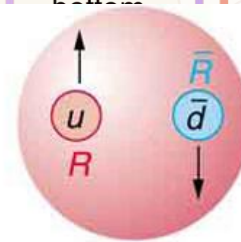
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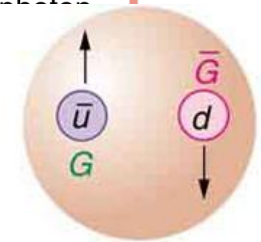
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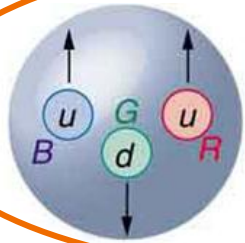
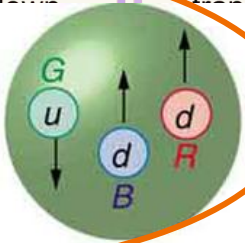
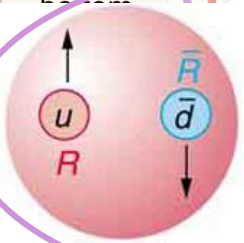
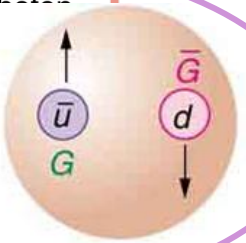
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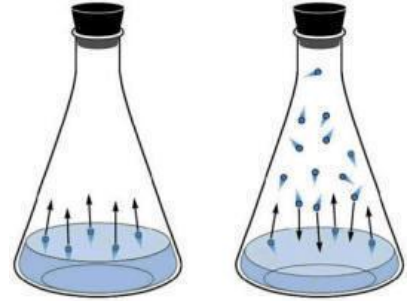
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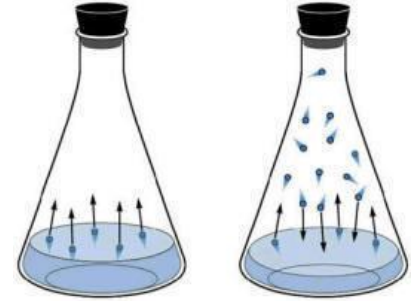
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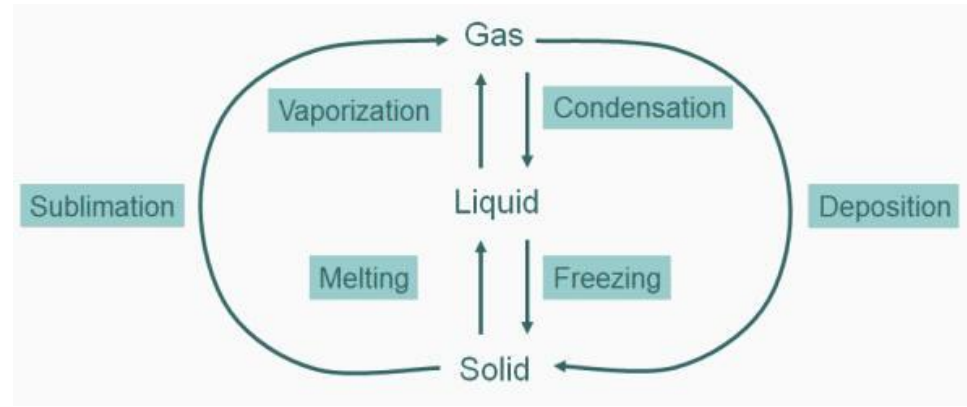
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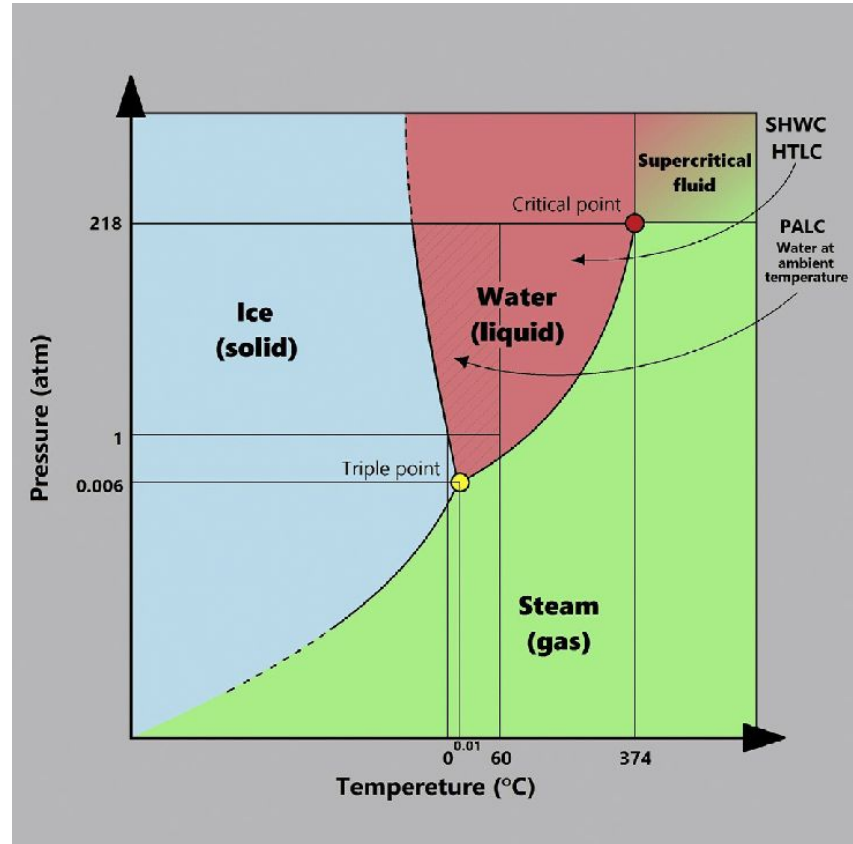
Allows to understand phase transitions



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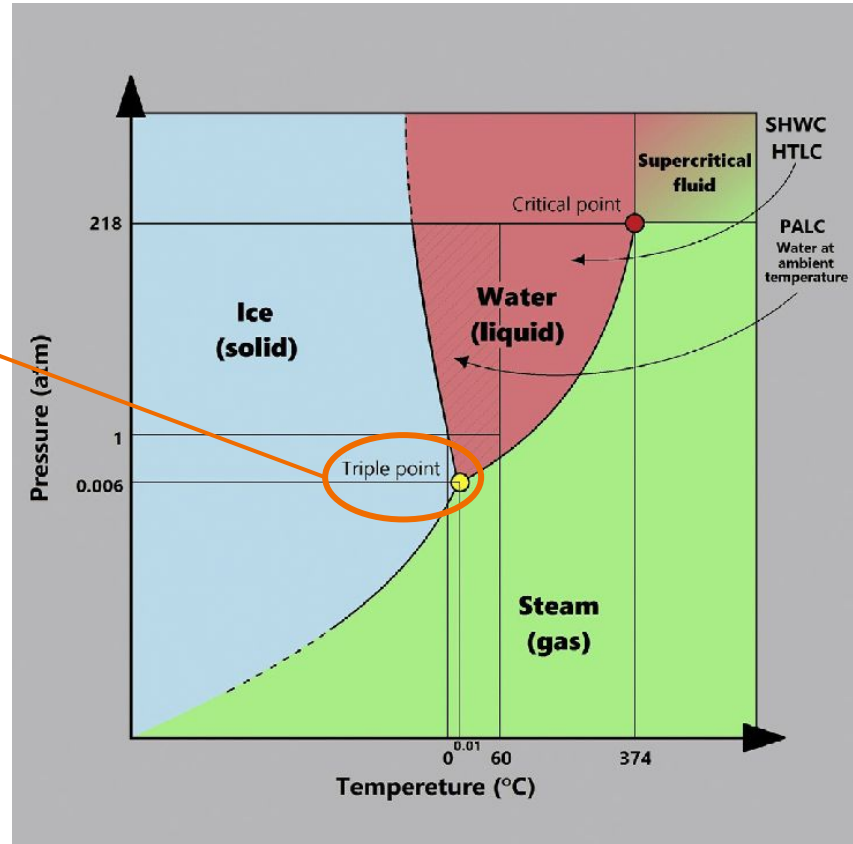
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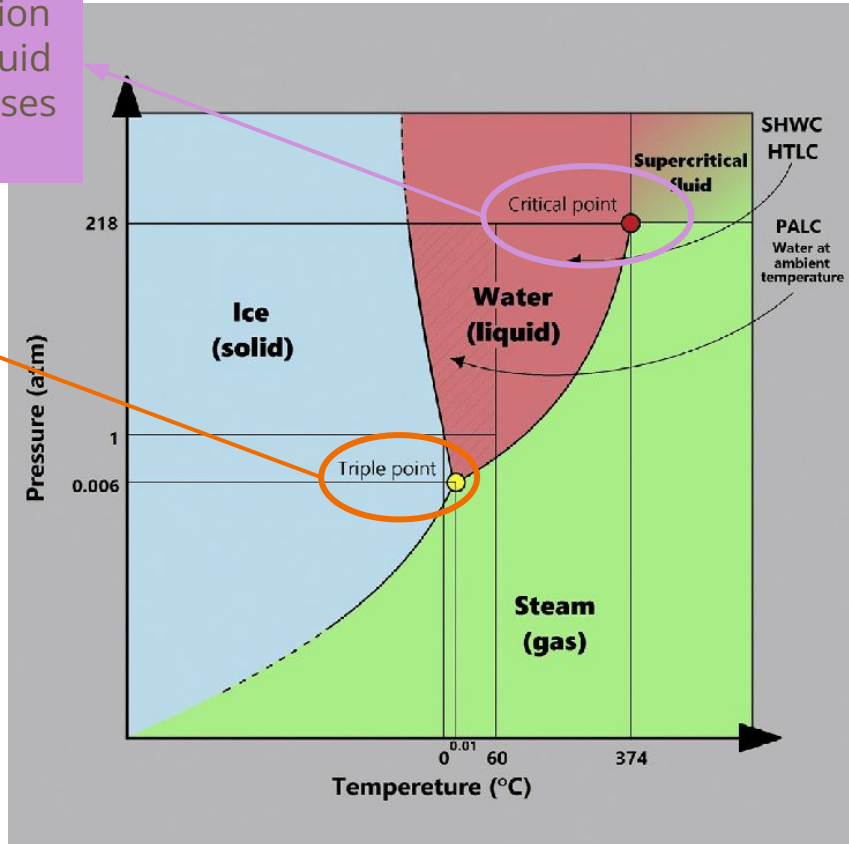
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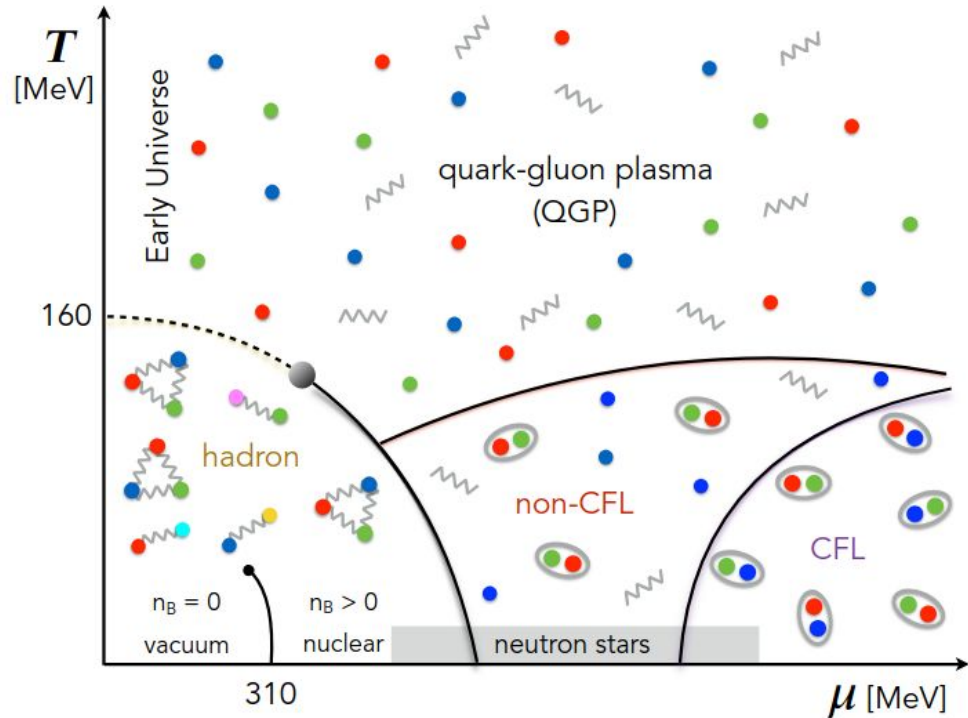
The distinction
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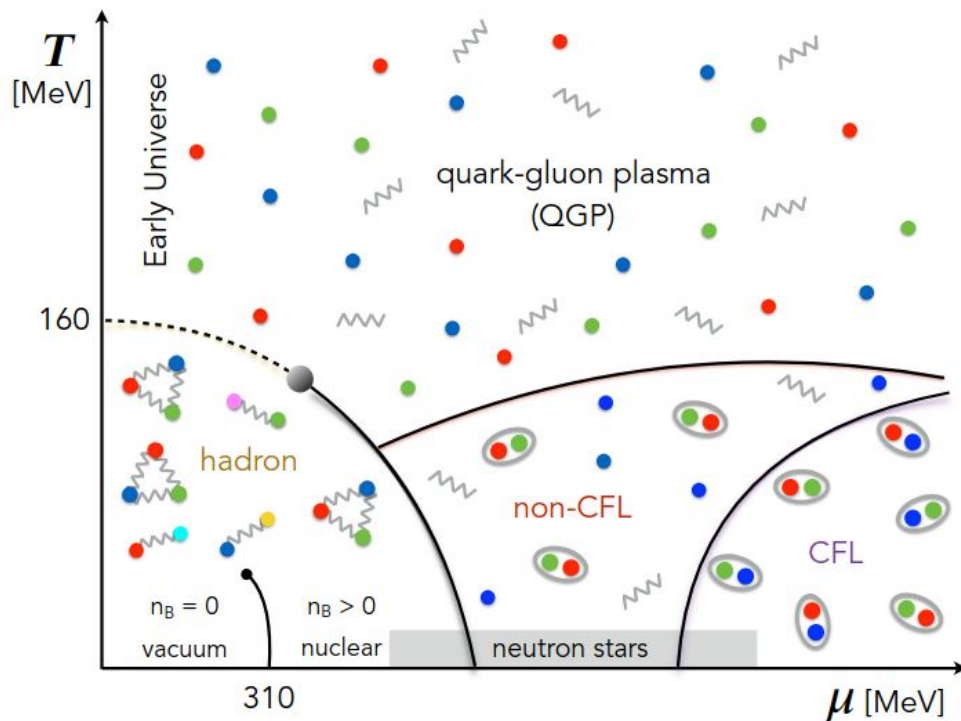
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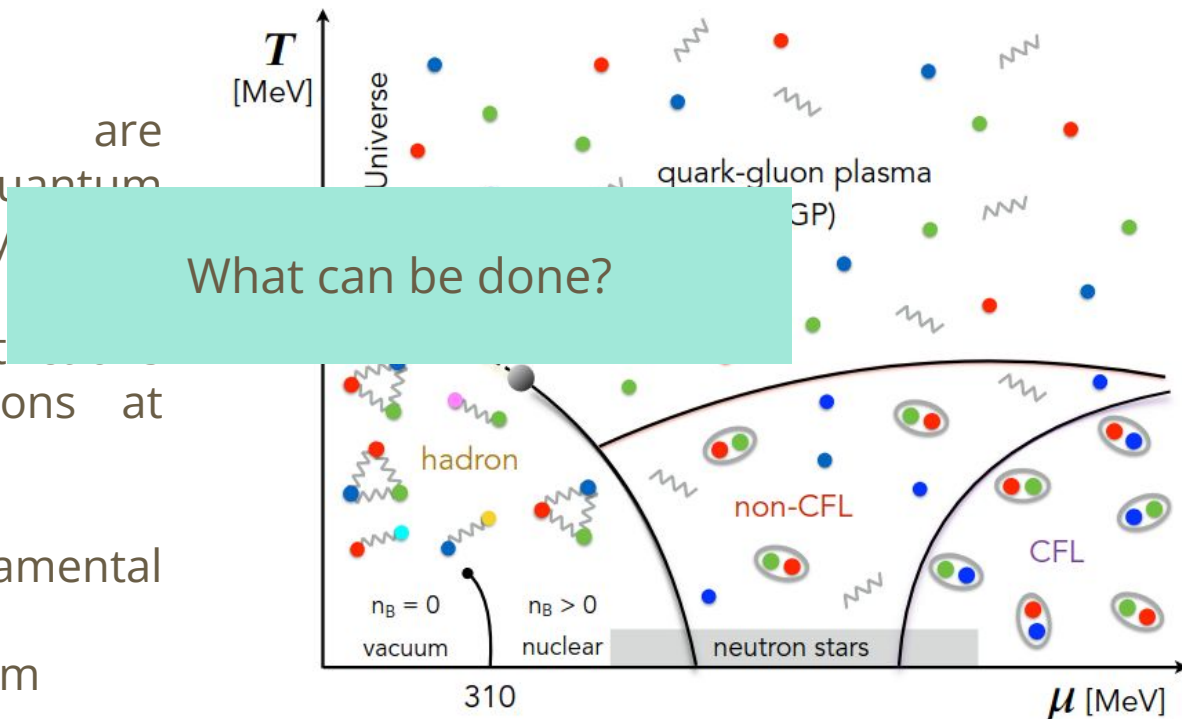
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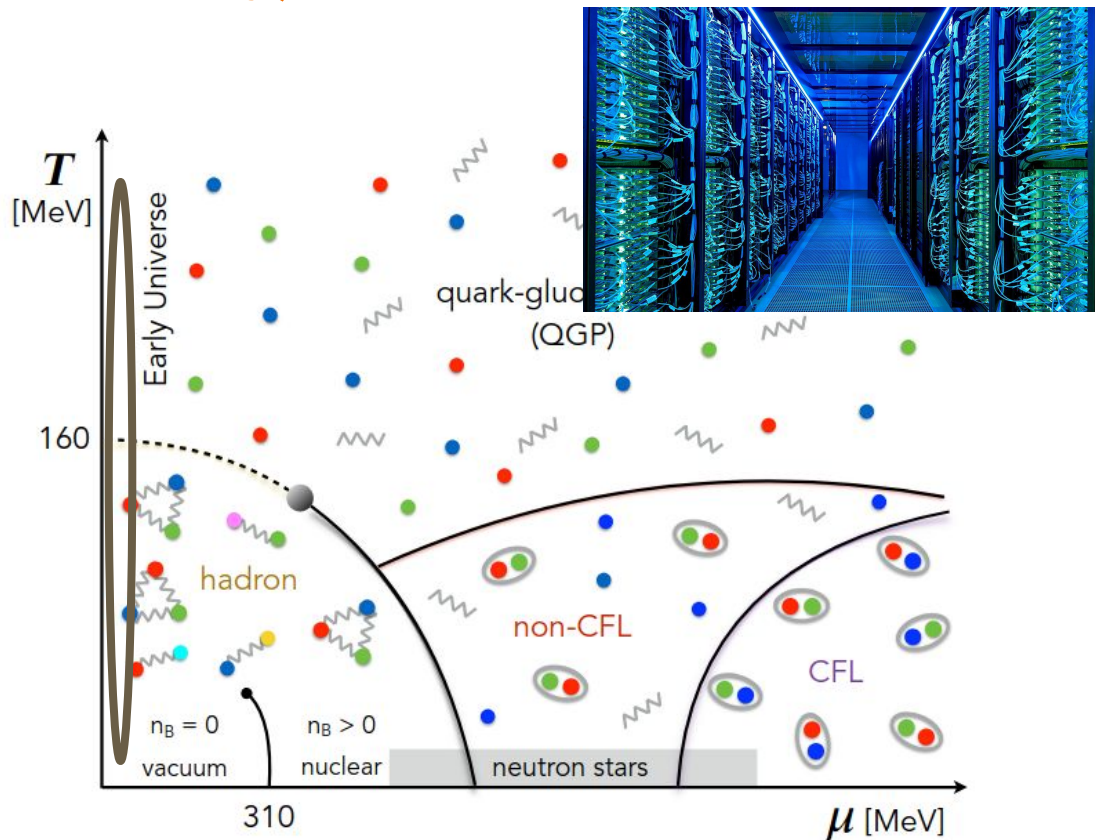
Theory: Lattice QCD where the equations can be solved after discretization of space-time.

Drawback 1: Requires the largest supercomputers available on Earth.

Drawback 2: Only for very little values of the chemical potential

But...

1. they are first principle calculations
2. the mass of light baryons have been calculated with errors $\sim 2\%$

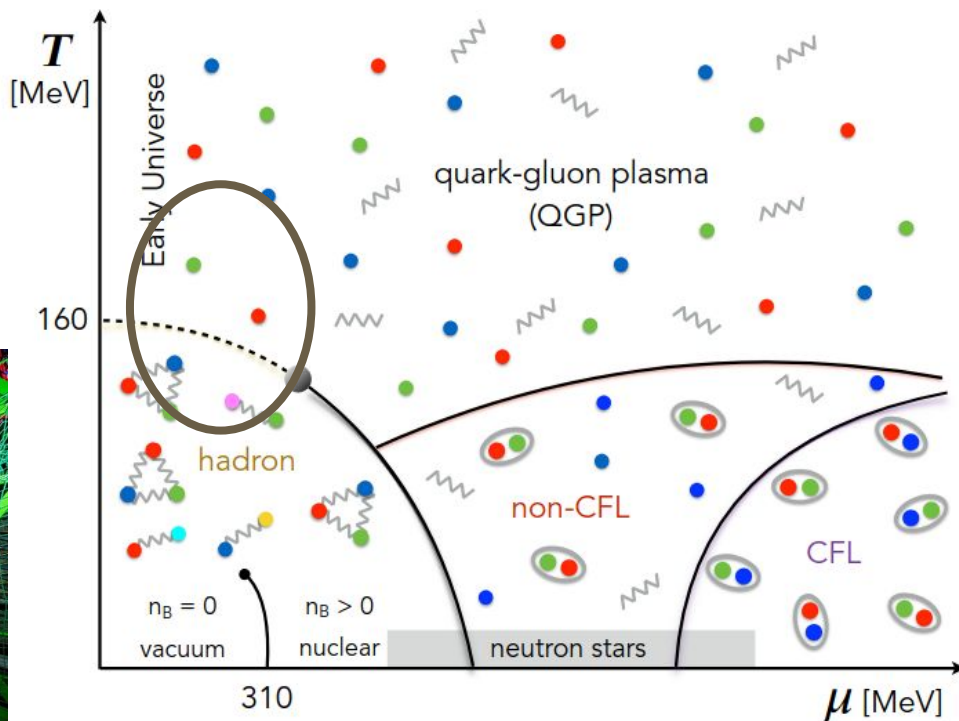
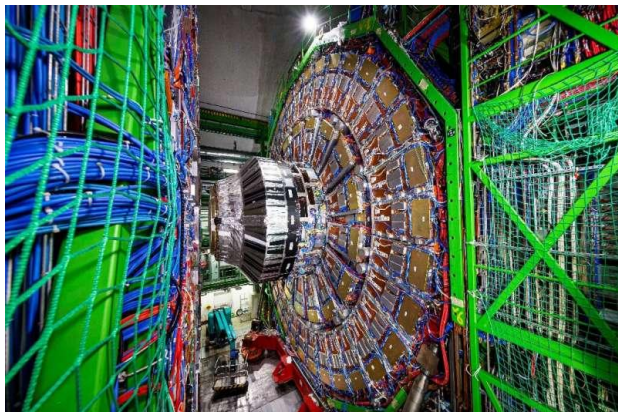


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Experiments: at particle colliders like LHC and others

Allowed to test QCD and find observational evidence of the QGP



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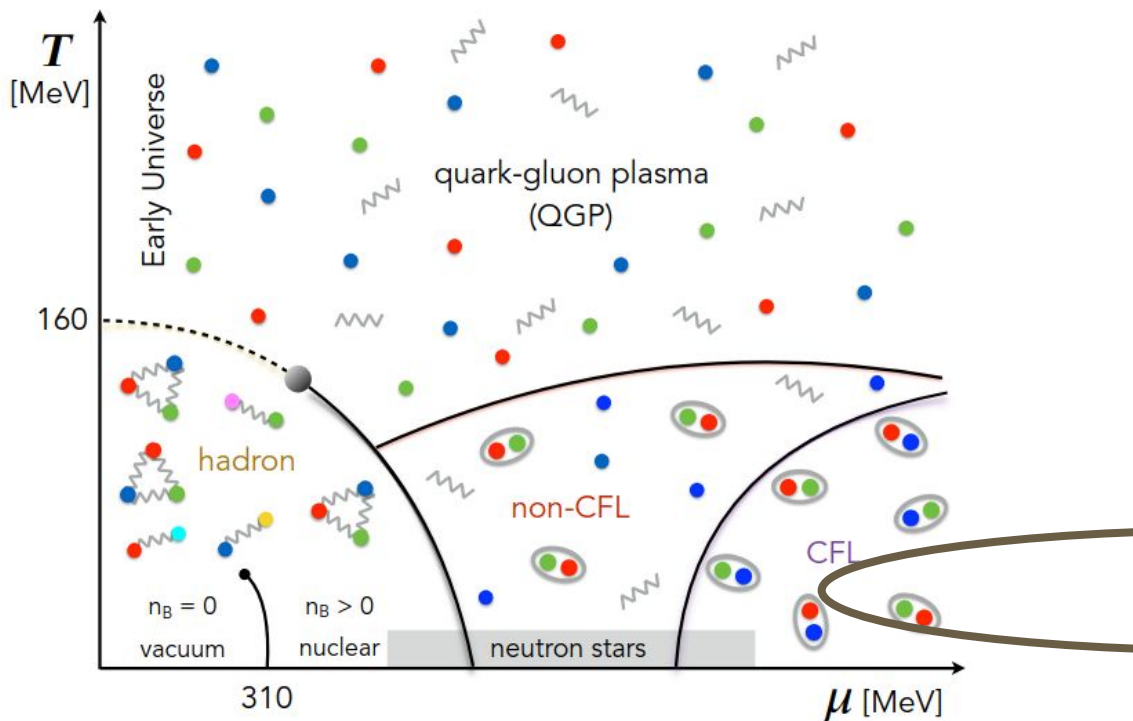
Theory: perturbative QCD

Based on the asymptotic freedom property. In this regime quarks move almost freely if they are close to each other.

Drawback 1: Only for extremely large densities

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1. First principle calculations used to show that color superconductivity occurs in quark matter.



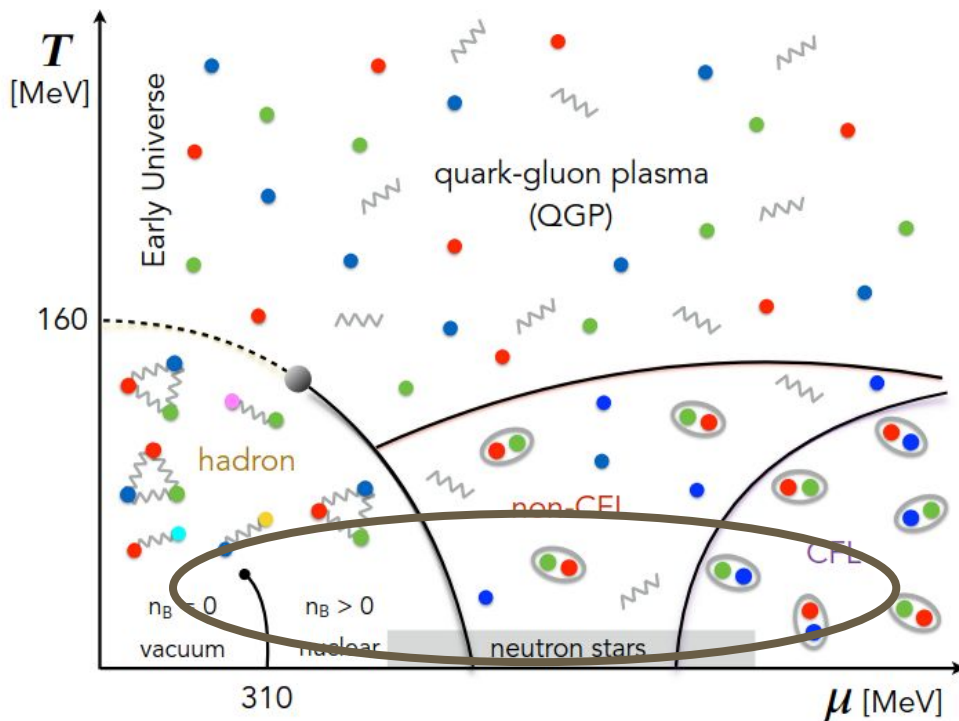
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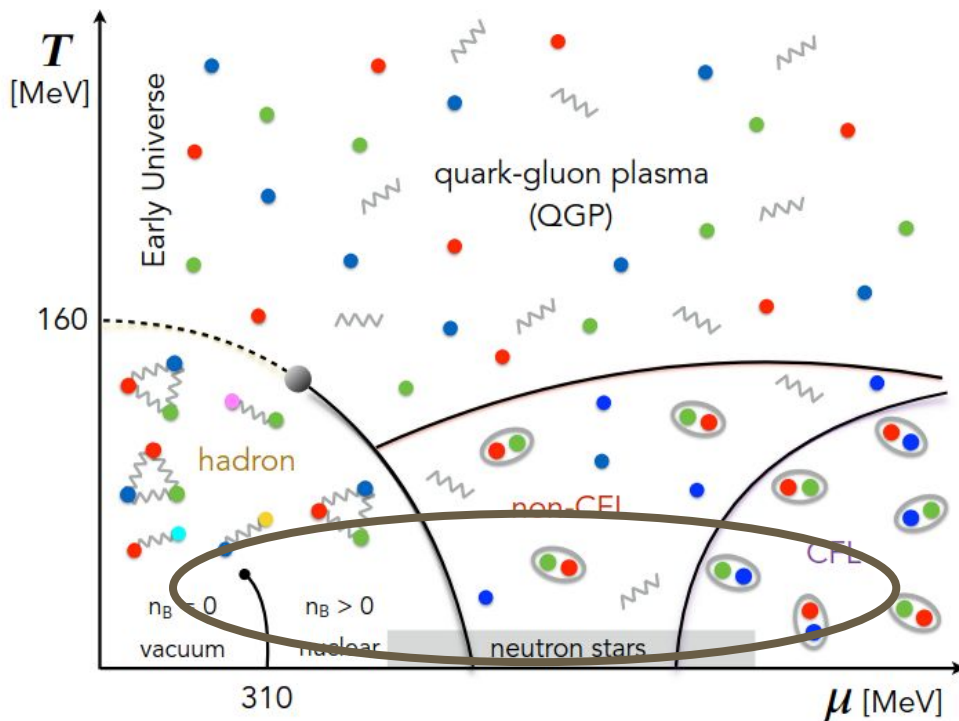
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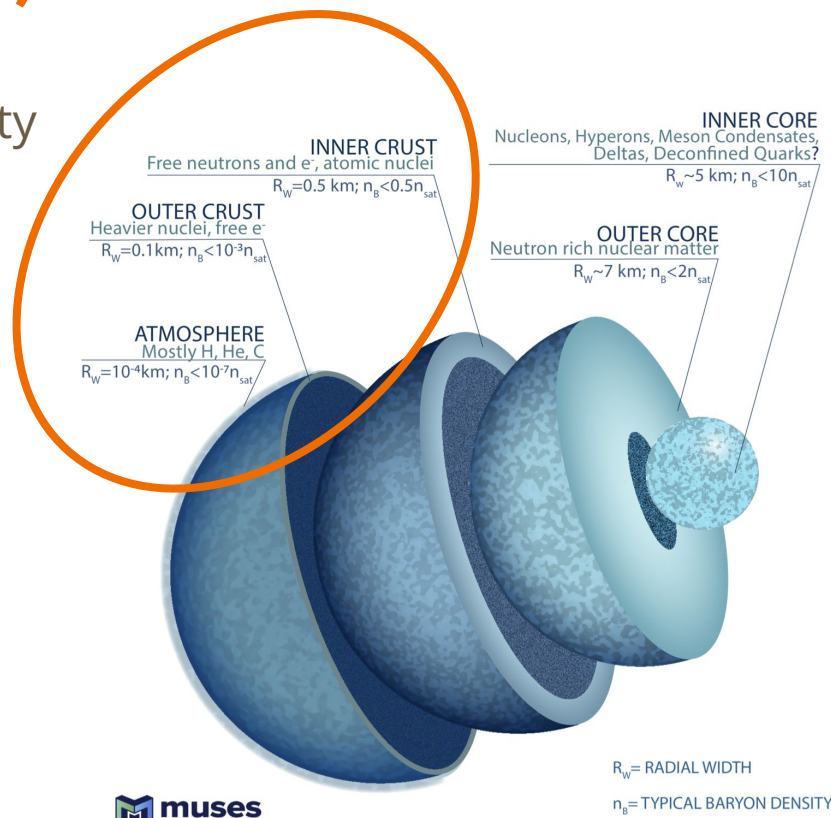


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Cold hadronic EOS **below** saturation density

$2.3 \cdot 10^{14} \text{ g/cm}^3$

To have in mind, the densest material on Earth is Osmium. With a density of 22.59 g/cm^3



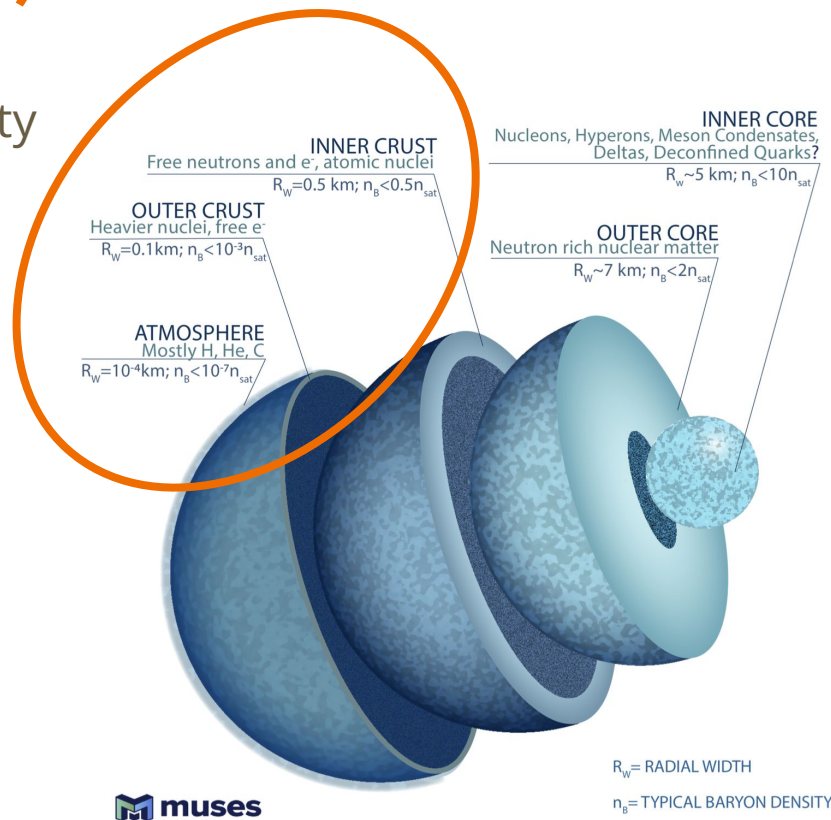
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Similar description to the one needed for matter inside WDs and is more or less properly understood

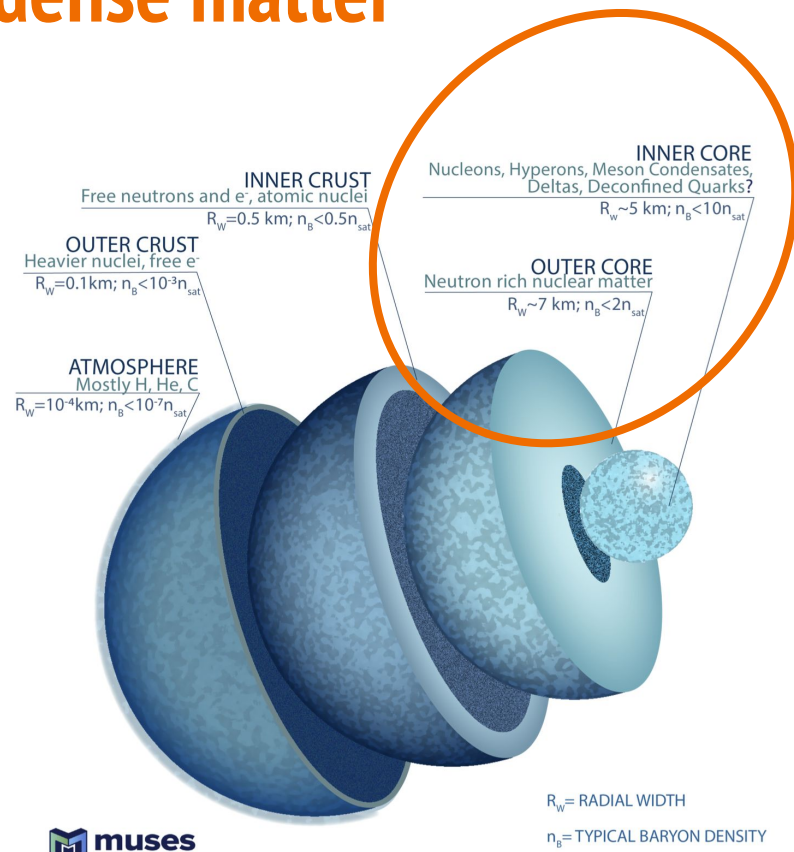
Determines matter in the outermost layers (the last ~km)

Extremely relevant for studying cooling process



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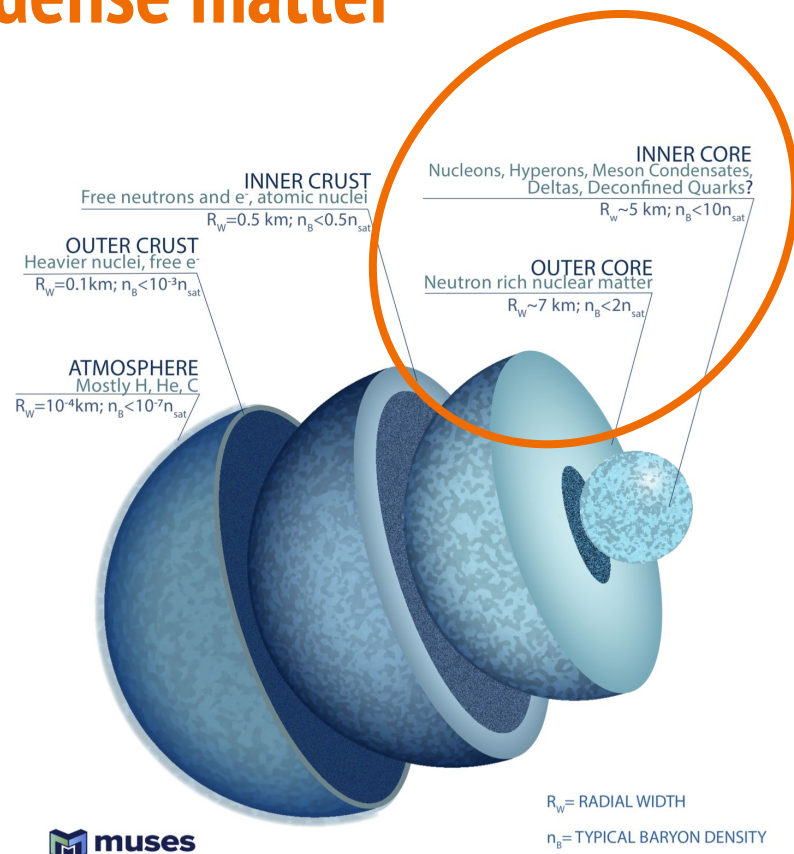
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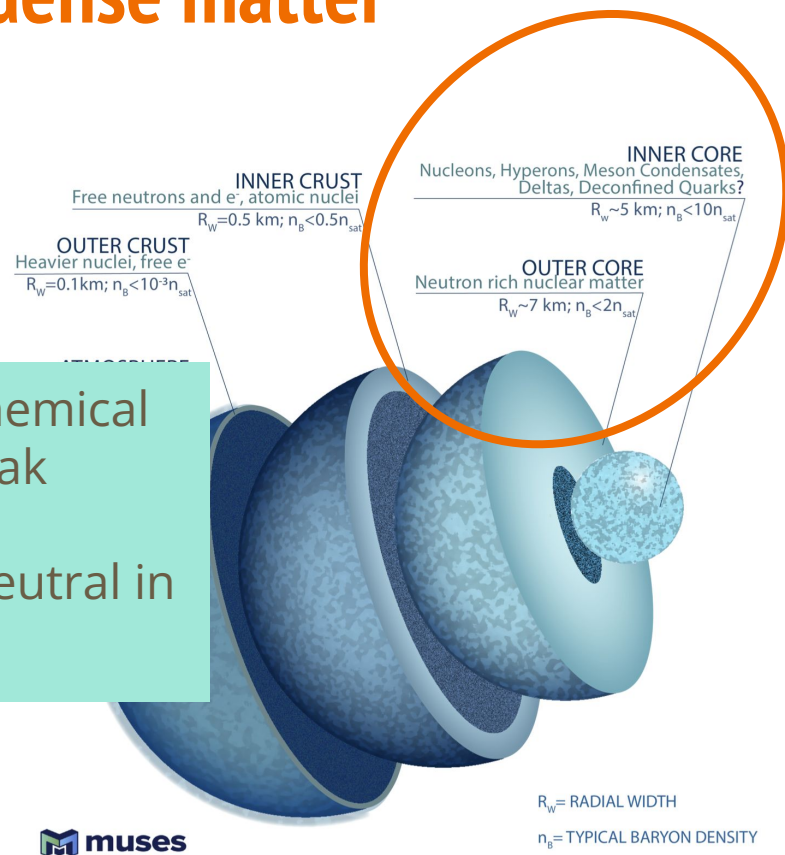
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Why **mean**?

Change σ, ω y ρ

by their mean values at the
fundamental state

$\bar{\sigma}, \bar{\omega}$ y $\bar{\rho}$

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Nonlinear system of equations that has to be solved **together** with **charge neutrality** and net **baryon conservation**

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$$g_{iB}(n) = g_{iB}(n_0)f_i(x) \quad \longleftarrow \text{coupling constants}$$

$$f_i(x) = a_i \frac{1 + b_i(x + d_i)^2}{1 + c_i(x + d_i)^2}$$

$$f_\rho(x) = e^{[-a_\rho(x-1)]}$$

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A particular case: density dependent RMF

develope

	Barión	Masa [MeV]	Spin	Carga eléctrica [e]	Isospin I_3	Quarks
	n	939.6	1/2	0	-1/2	udd
	p	938.3	1/2	+1	1/2	uud
	Λ	1115.7	1/2	0	0	uds
$\mathcal{L}_{Bariones} = \sum_B$	Σ^-	1197.4	1/2	-1	-1	dds
	Σ^0	1192.6	1/2	0	0	uds
$g_{iB}(n) = g_{iB}(\mu)$	Σ^+	1189.4	1/2	+1	1	uus
	Ξ^-	1321.7	1/2	-1	-1/2	dss
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Working with mean fields and Euler-Lagrange equations

Adding charge neutrality and baryon number conservation

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$$\sum_B g_{\omega_B}(n) n_B - m_\sigma^2 \bar{\omega} = 0$$

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$$\sum_B n_B - n = 0$$

$$\sum_B n_B q_B + \sum_\lambda n_\lambda q_\lambda = 0.$$

After solving
these nonlinear
equations we get
the unknowns

$$\{\bar{\sigma}, \bar{\omega}, \bar{\rho}\}$$

$$\{k_n, k_e\}$$

$$\Sigma_r$$

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After solving the NL equations we can calculate the pressure of the system

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{DDRMF} &= \frac{1}{3} \sum_i \langle T_{ii} \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \sum_B \frac{2J_B + 1}{2\pi^2} \int_0^{k_B} \frac{k^4 dk}{\sqrt{k^2 + m_B^{*2}(\bar{\sigma})}} + \frac{1}{3\pi^2} \sum_\lambda \int_0^{k_\lambda} \frac{k^4 dk}{\sqrt{k^2 + m_\lambda^2}} \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2} [m_\sigma^2 \bar{\sigma}^2 - m_\omega^2 \bar{\omega}^2 - m_\rho^2 \bar{\rho}^2] + n \Sigma_r.
 \end{aligned}$$

The energy density, ε , can be obtained using the Euler relationship from basic thermodynamics

$$\varepsilon = -P + \sum_i \mu_i n_i$$

Parámetros	GM1L	DD2
m_σ (GeV)	0.5500	0.5462
m_ω (GeV)	0.7830	0.7830
m_ρ (GeV)	0.7700	0.7630
$g_{\sigma N}$	9.5722	10.6870
$g_{\omega N}$	10.6180	13.3420
$g_{\rho N}$	8.9830	3.6269
b_σ	0.0029	0
\tilde{c}_σ	- 0.0011	0
a_σ	1	1.3576
b_σ	0	0.6344
c_σ	0	1.0054
d_σ	0	0.5758
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Fixed to reproduce experimental results at nuclear saturation density

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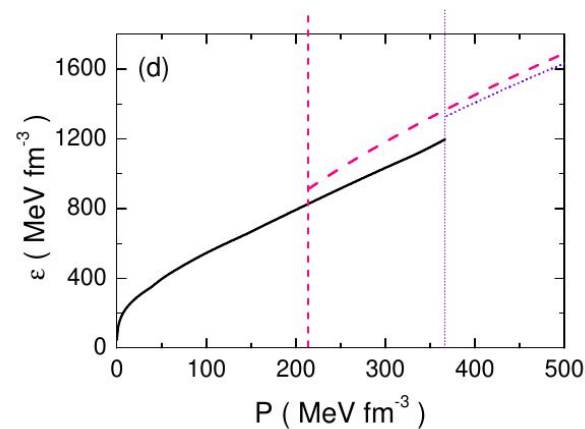
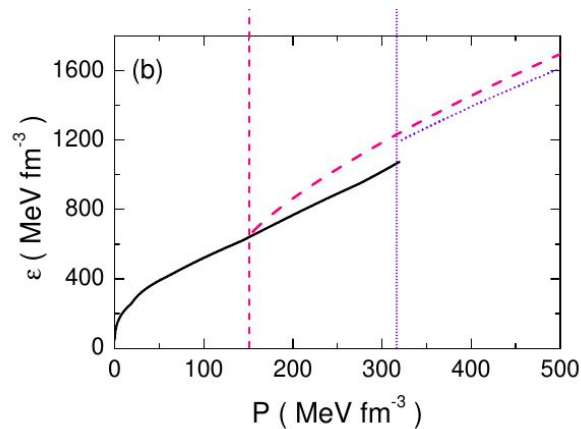
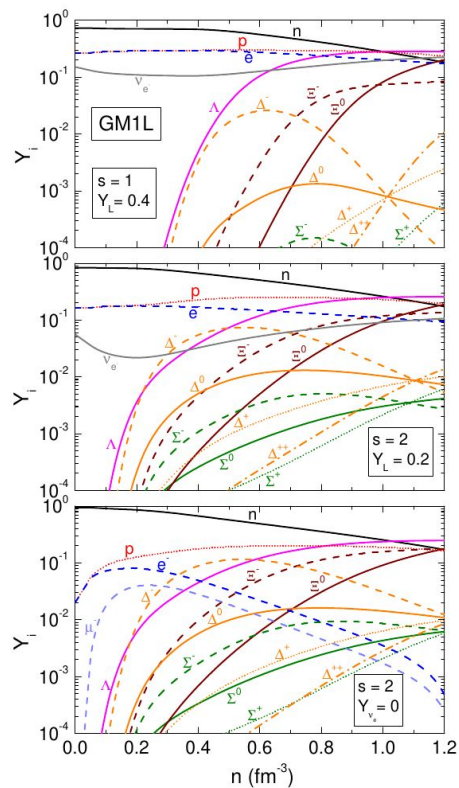
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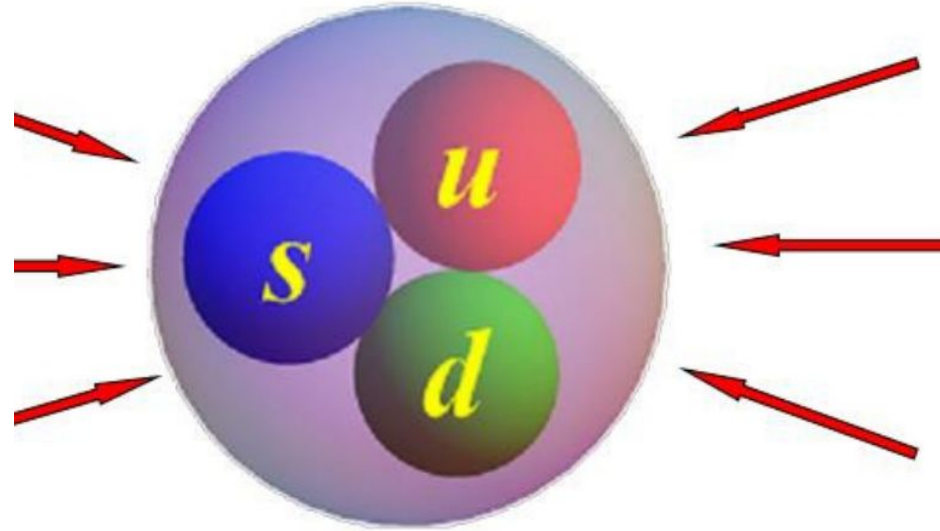
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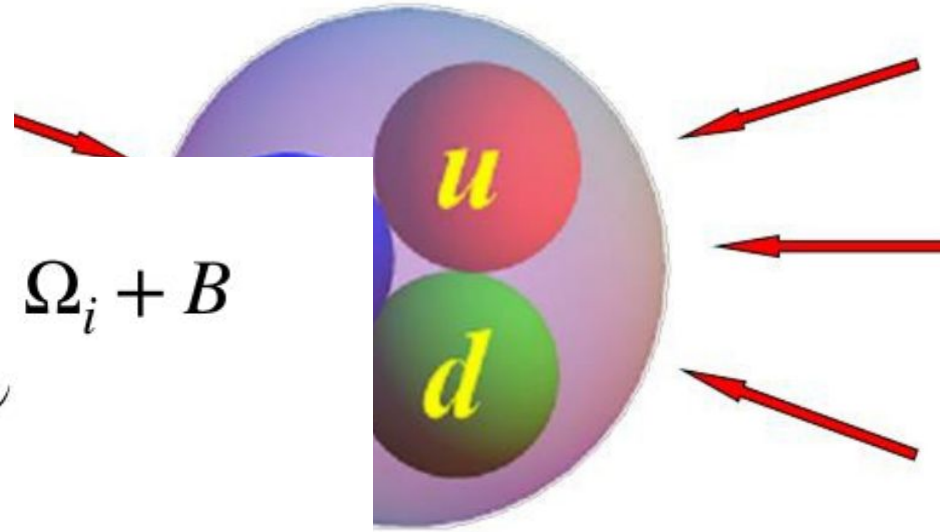
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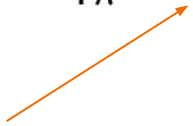
Generalization of MIT BAG model at zero temperature
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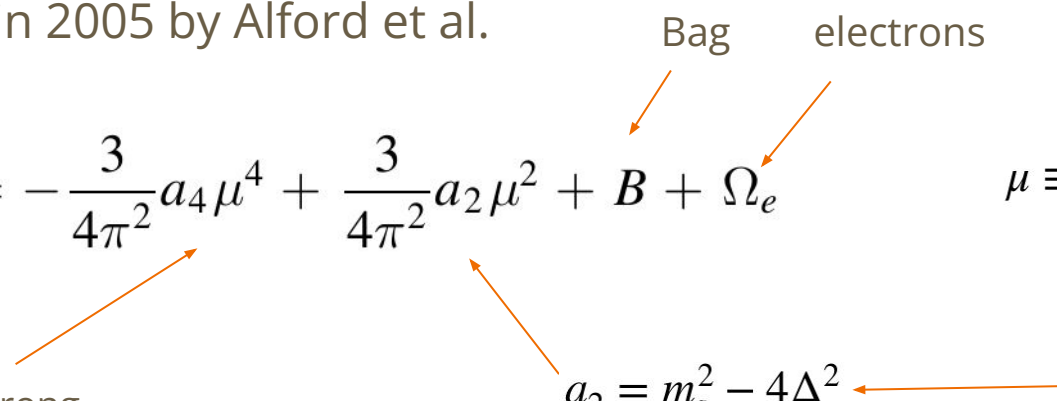
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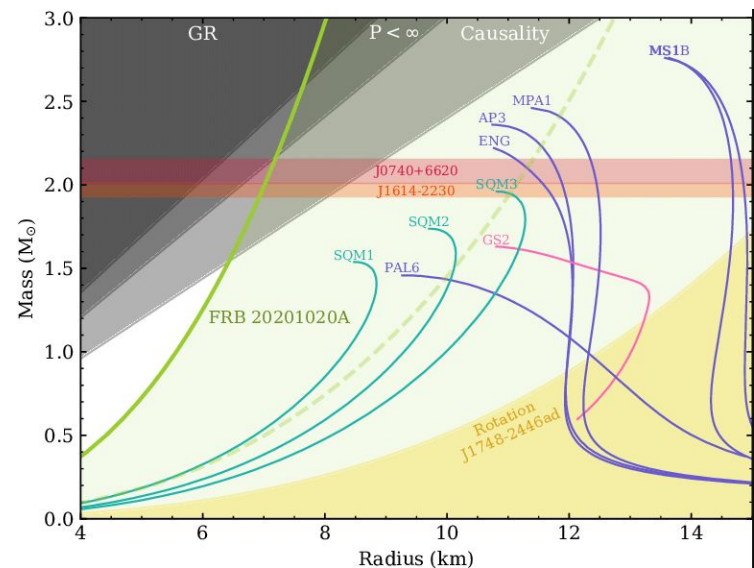
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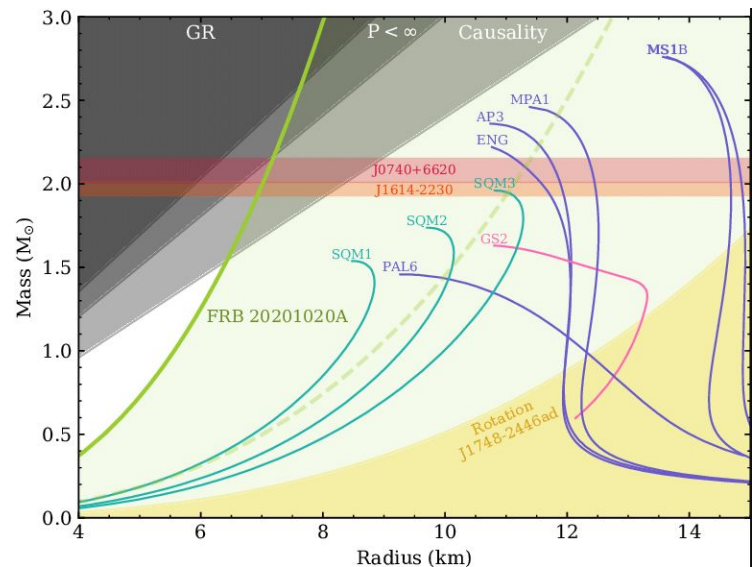
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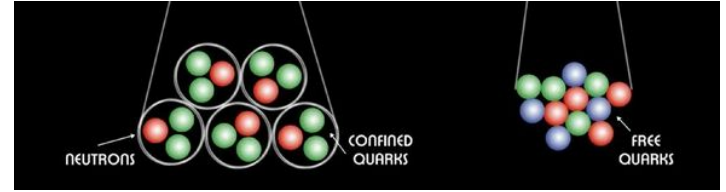
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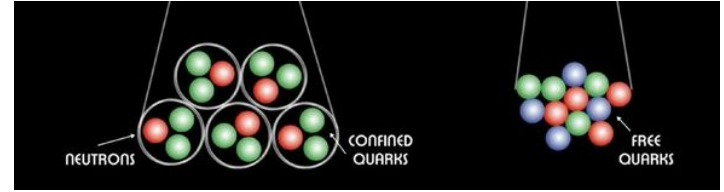


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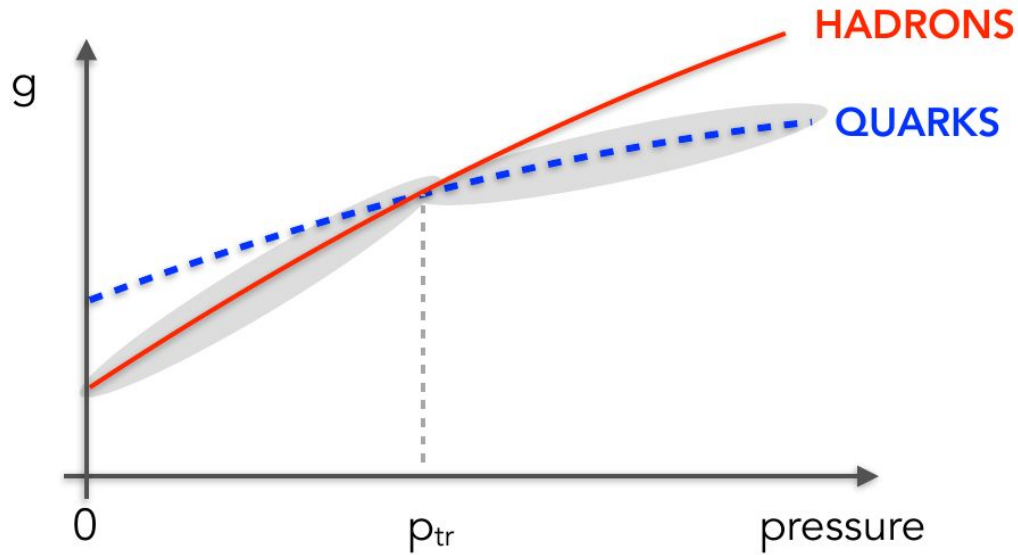


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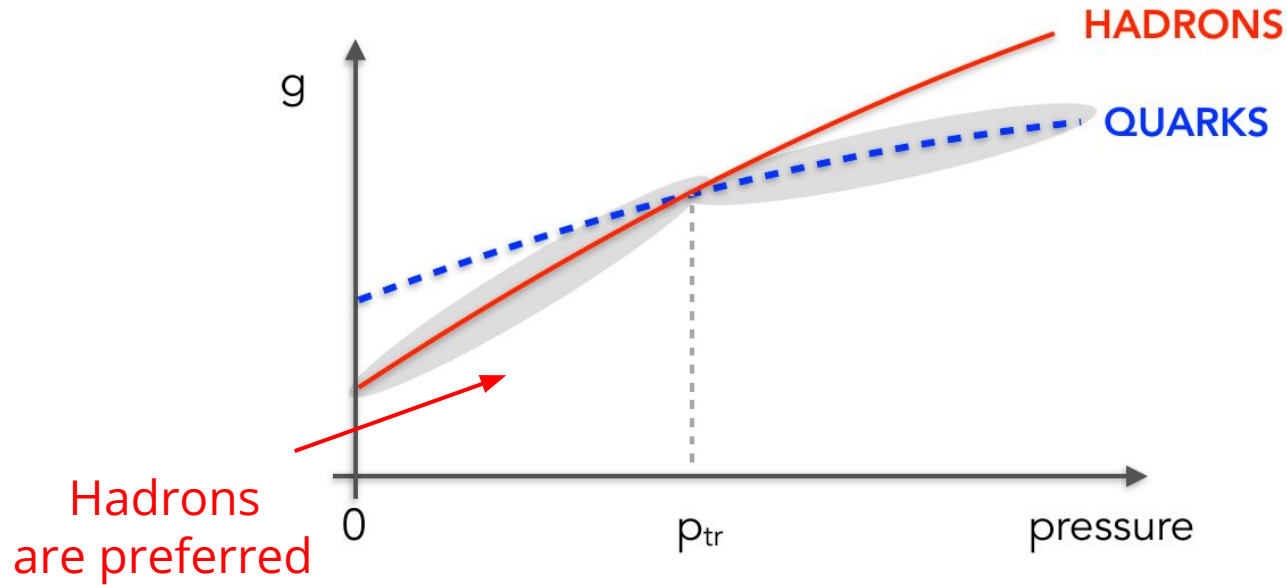
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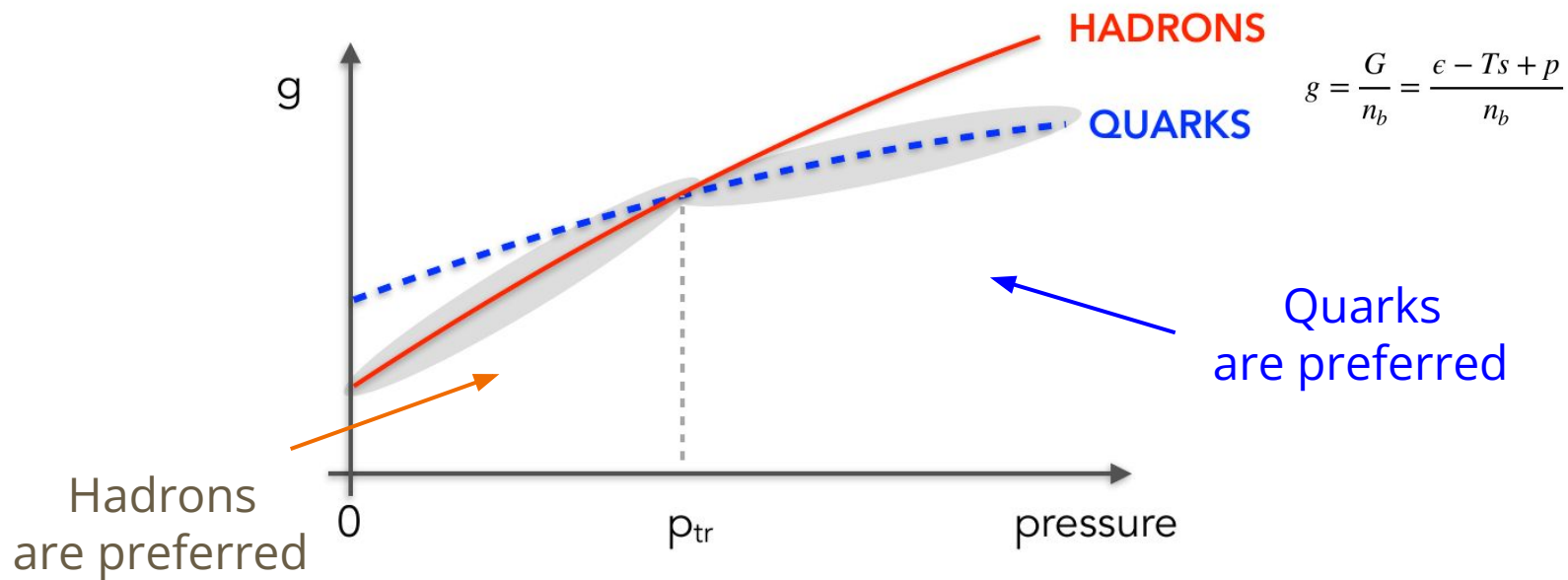
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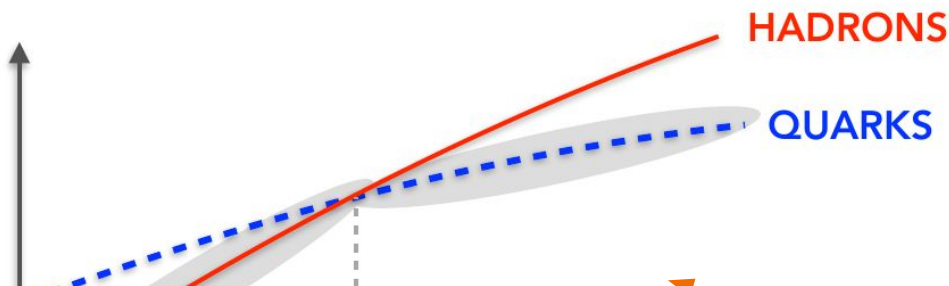


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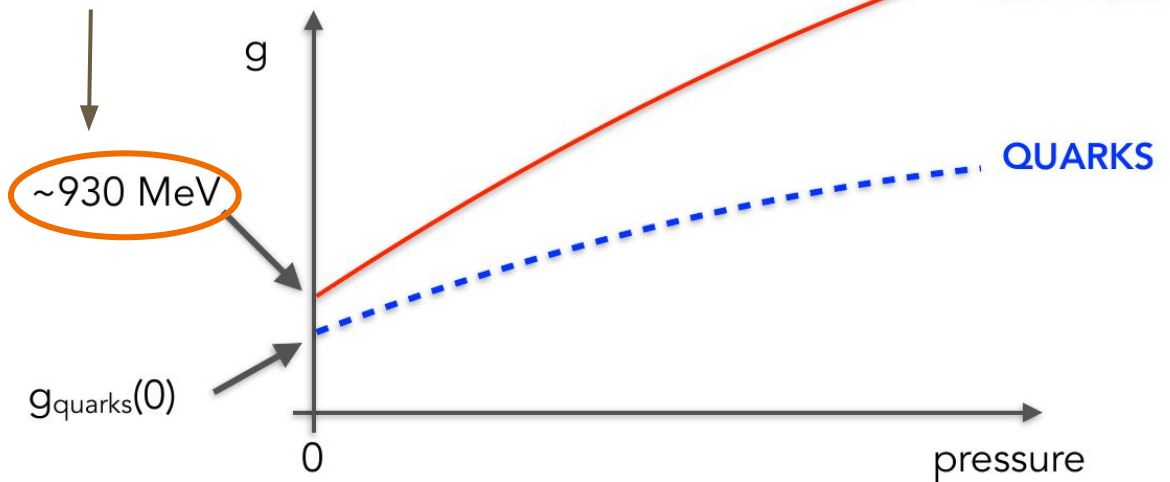
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Hybrid EOS

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The Bodmer (1971) - Terazawa (1979) - Witten (1984) hypothesis

^{56}Fe most stable
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Quark matter might
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This depends on the
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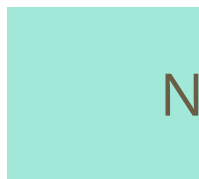
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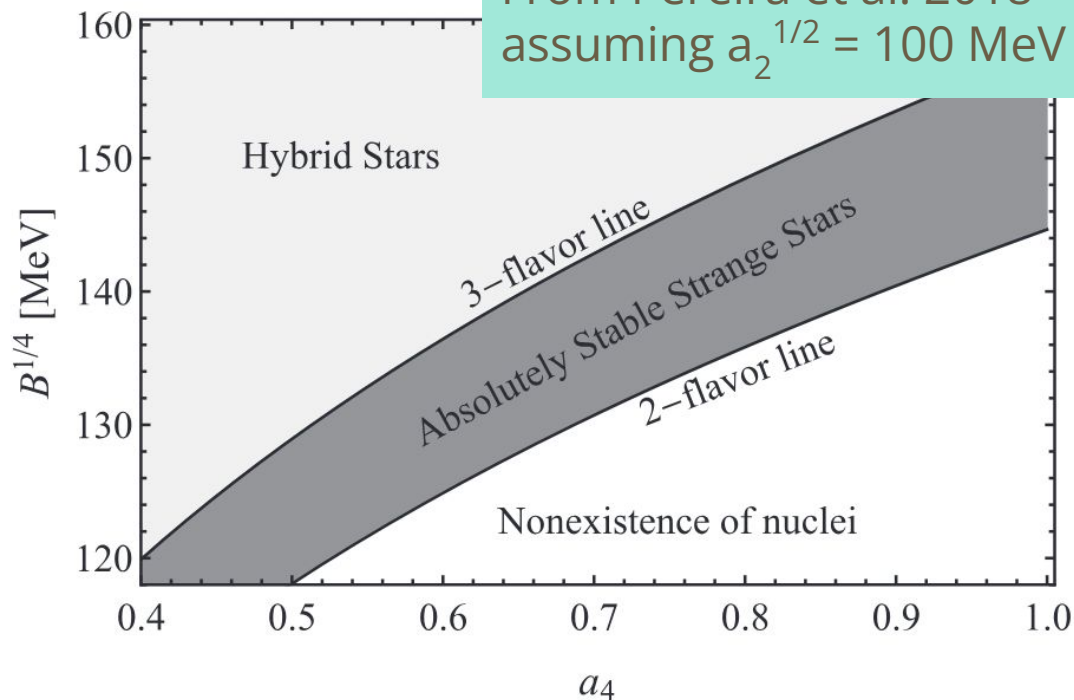


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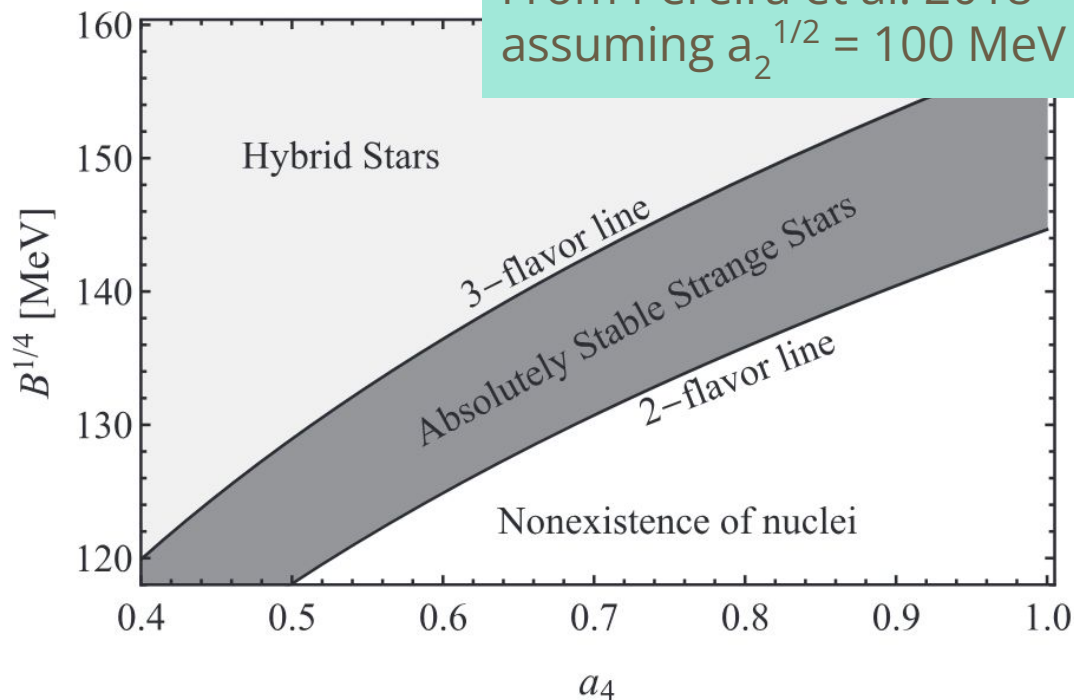
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Exercise: construct the stability window presented here

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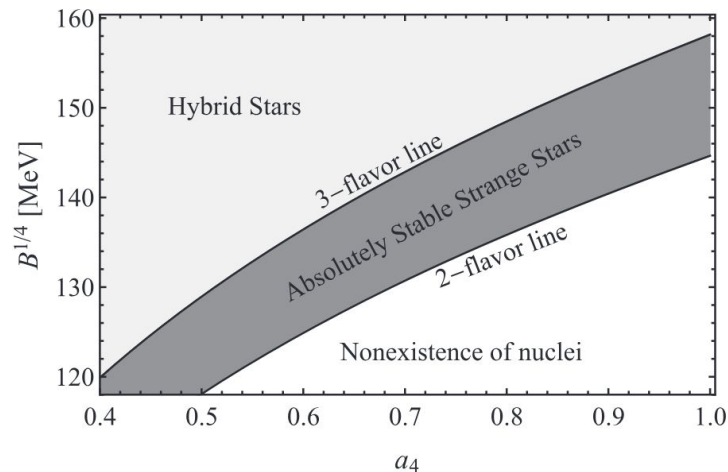
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Quarks or Hadrons?

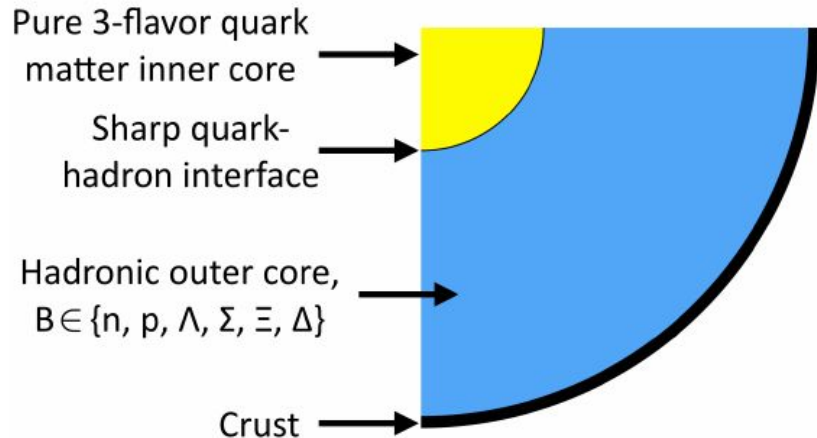
Takeaway of central differences between quark and neutron/hybrid stars



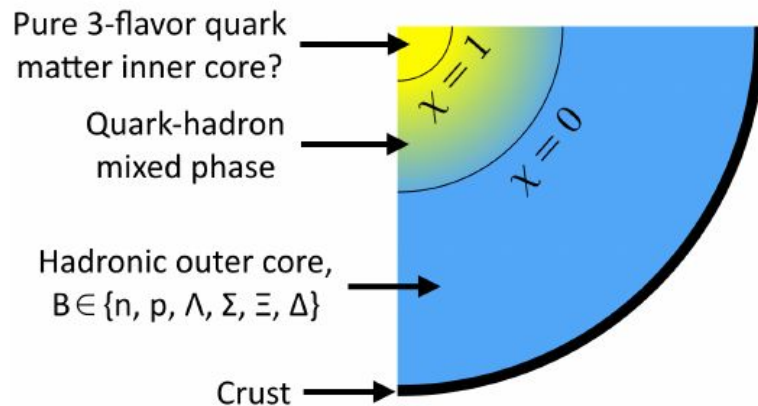
NS - HS	QS
Bound by gravity	Bound by gravity and strong interactions
If energy density is finite, pressure too	Pressure vanishes at finite energy density
Small central pressure, large radii	Small central pressure, small radii

Nature of the hadron-quark phase transition

It is not known. Two main ideas are possible



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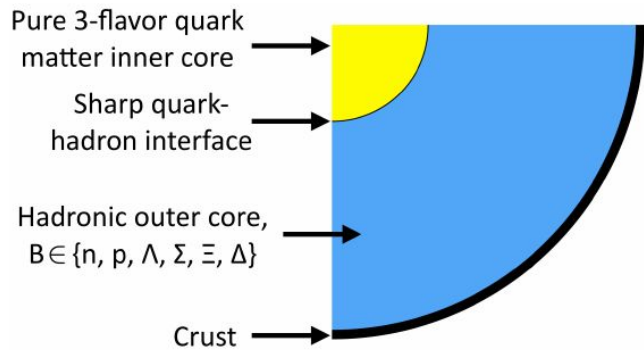
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From Orsaria et al., 2018

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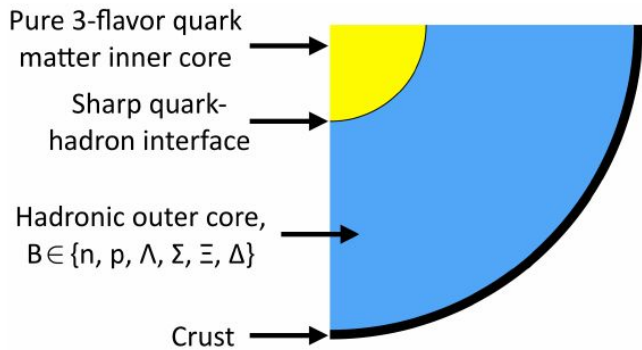
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- Energy density has a discontinuity
- Electrical neutrality is locally achieved

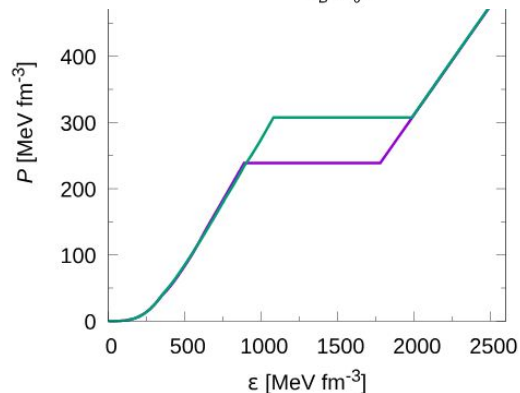
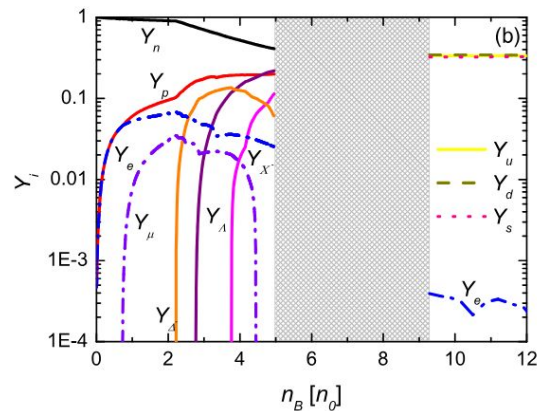
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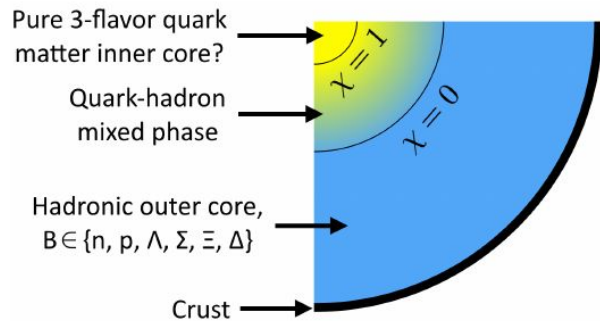


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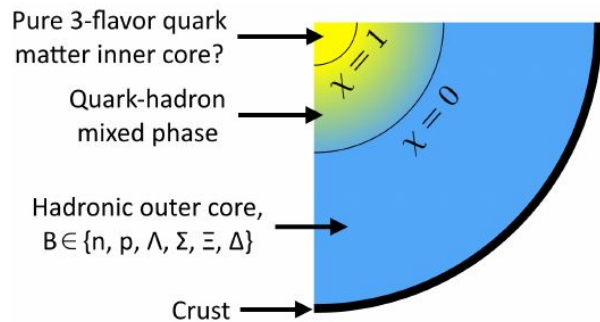
(b) Hypothetical NS cross section with a mixed phase.

- Quark and hadronic matter are mixed
- No thermodynamic quantity presents discontinuities
- Electrical neutrality is globally achieved, one phase is positive while the other negatively charged

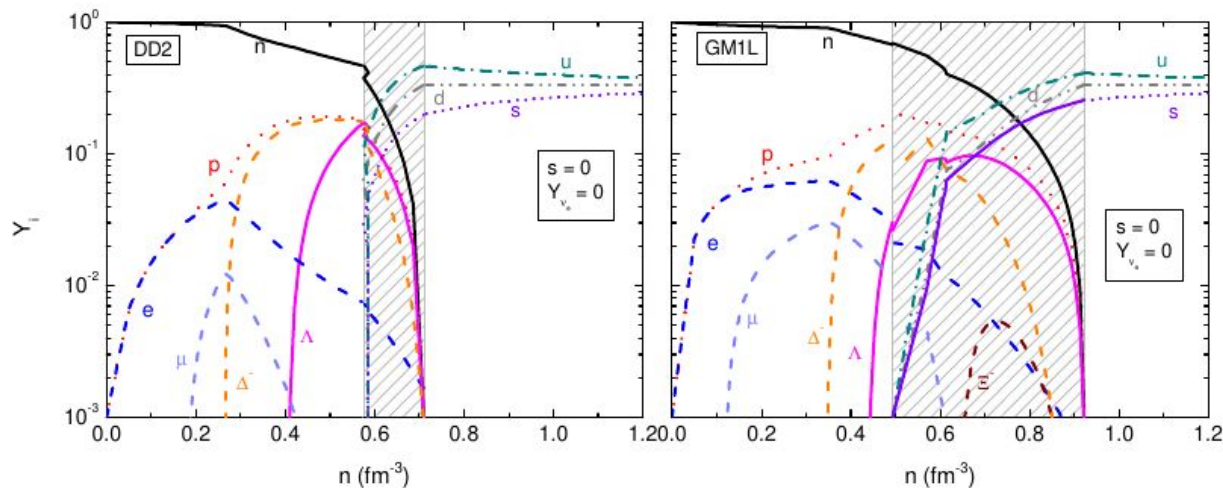
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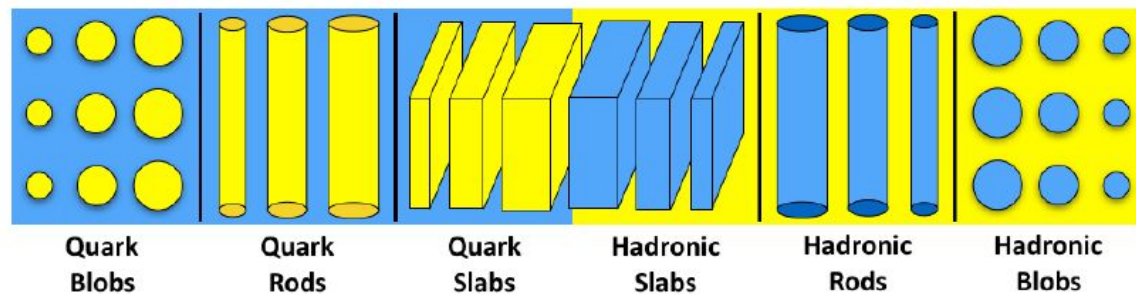


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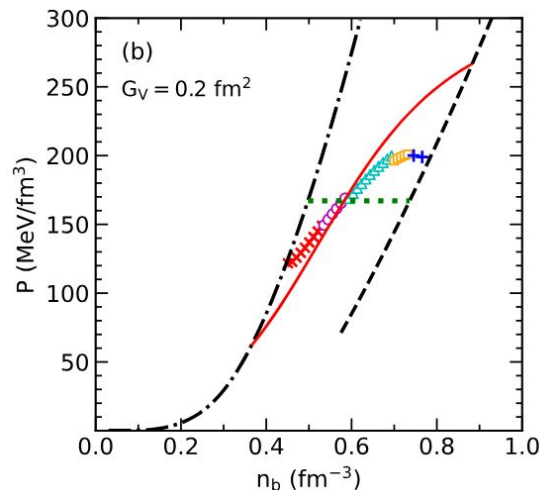
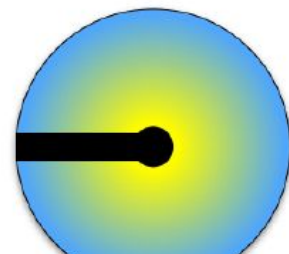


Pure 3-flavor quark
matter inner core?

Pasta phase.
Geometric structures
might appear in the
mixed phase

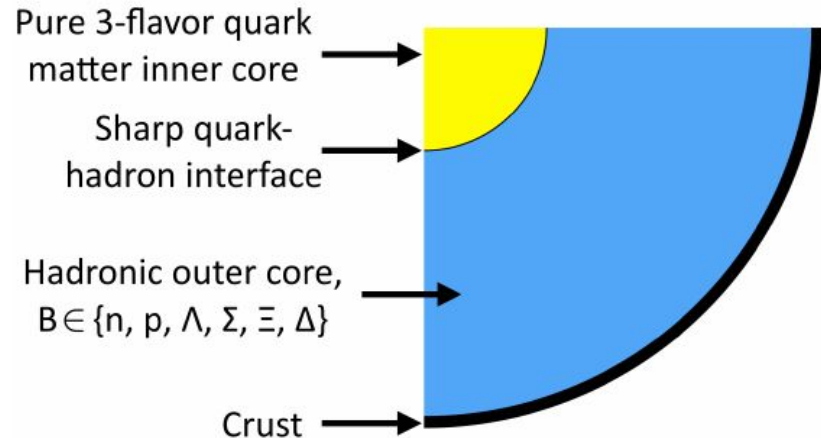
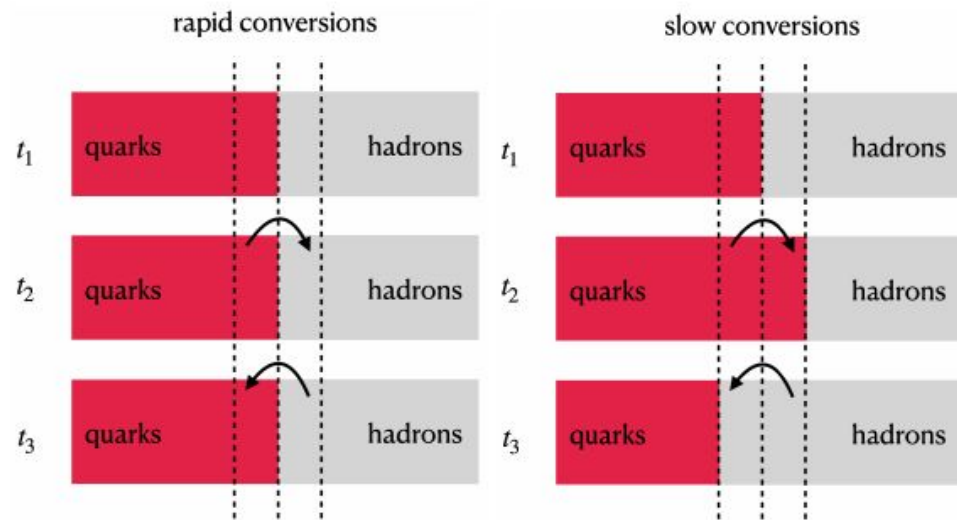
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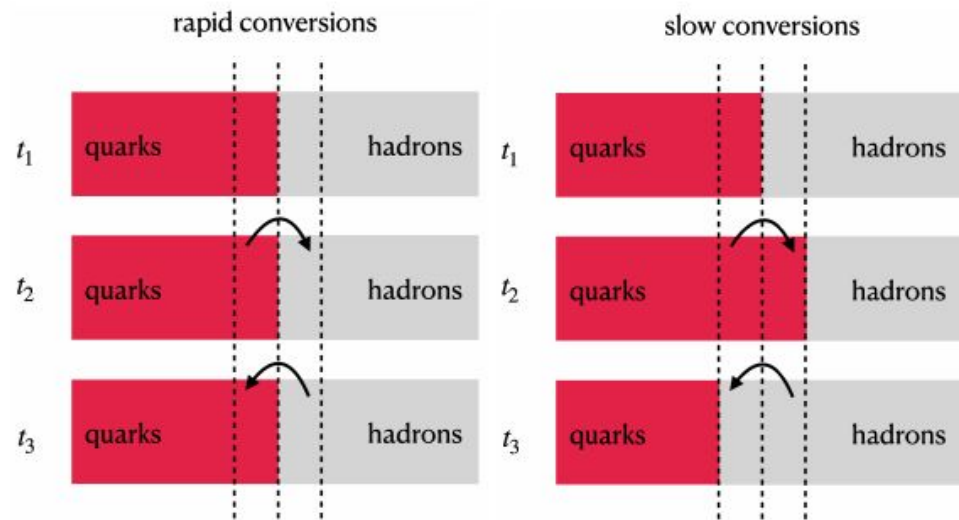
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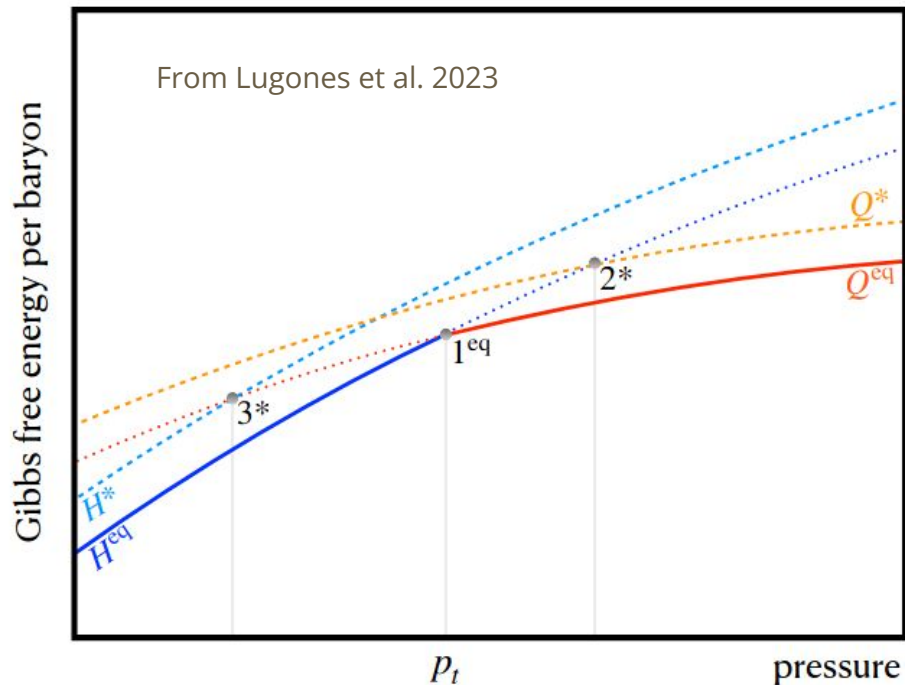


Not clear from a theoretical point of view.

Some arguments favour **slow** conversions are related to the fact that phase transitions are collective highly non-linear phenomena

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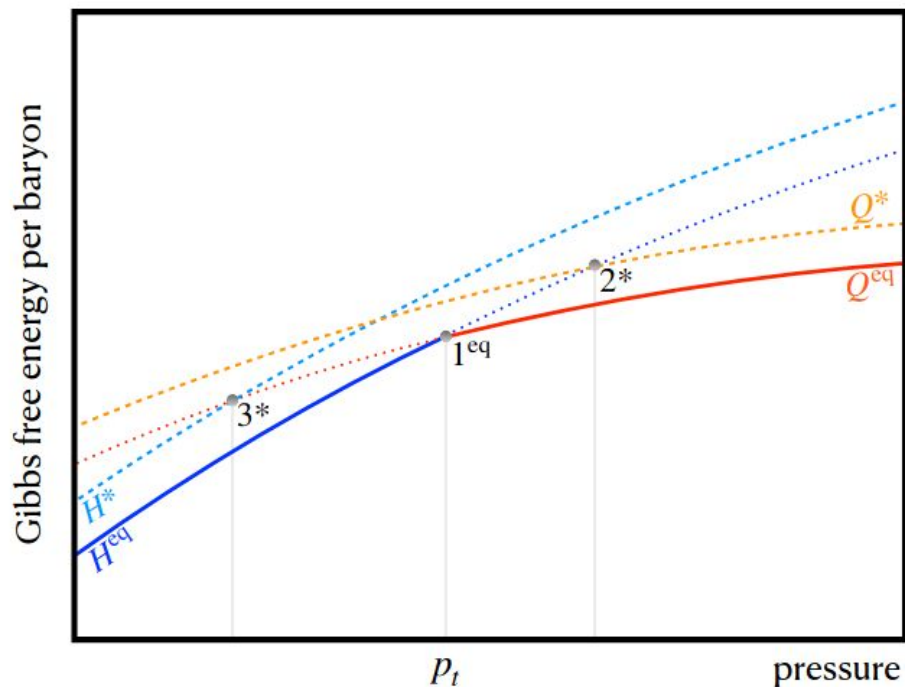
eq curves represent matter in chemical equilibrium

***** curves are out of equilibrium states of matter

Conversion at point 1 not expected as the two phases have very different flavour composition.

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Hadronic matter in chemical equilibrium deconfines at point 2* where the out of equilibrium quark matter has the same flavour composition.

The inverse conversion occurs at point 3*.

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**new family of potential compact
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