

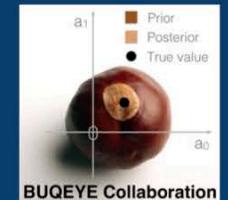
# Theoretical advances and uncertainty quantification of neutron star properties

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Facility for Rare Isotope Beams  
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# Recent neutron star observations

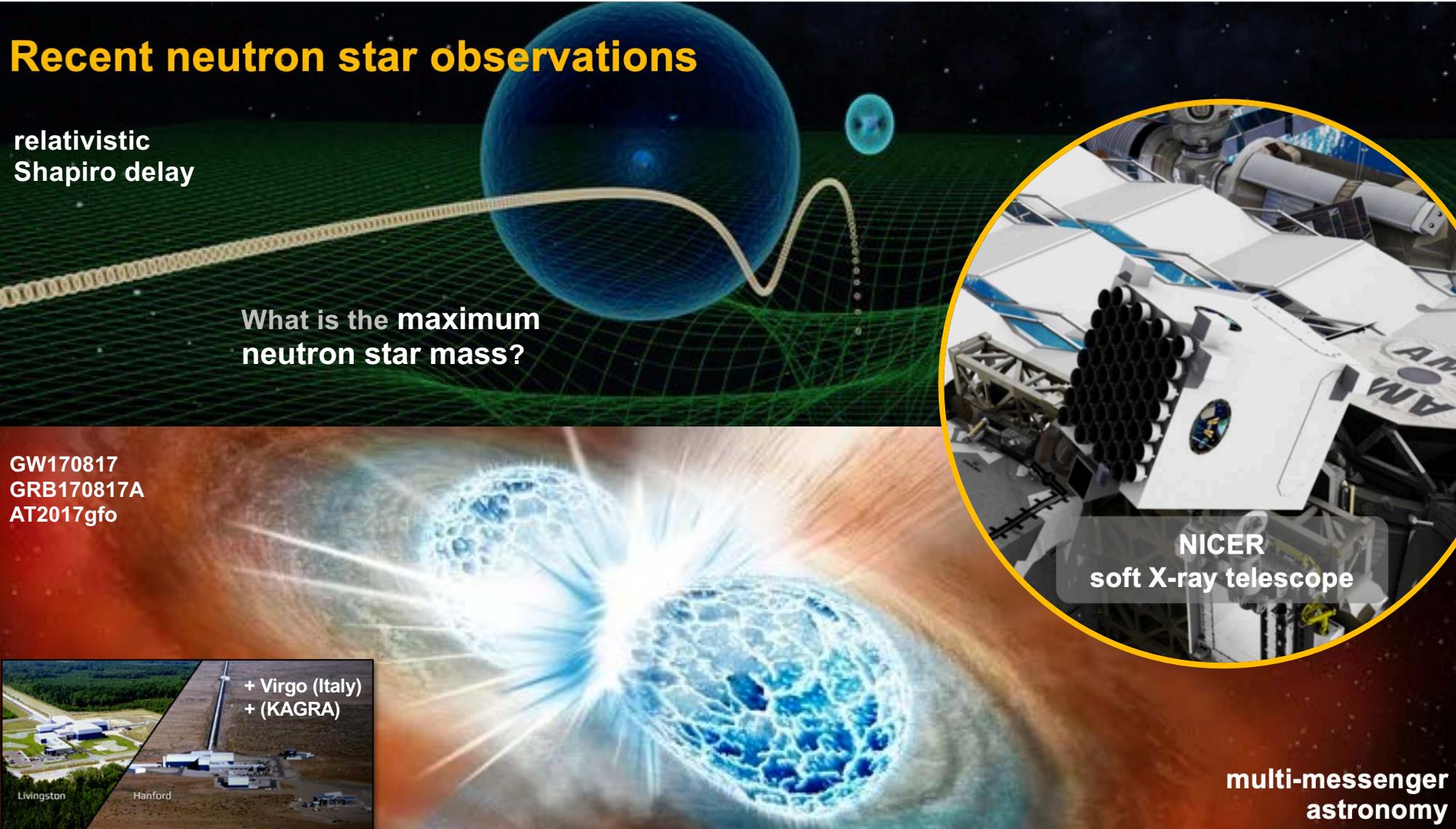
relativistic  
Shapiro delay

What is the **maximum**  
neutron star mass?

GW170817  
GRB170817A  
AT2017gfo



+ Virgo (Italy)  
+ (KAGRA)



**NICER**  
soft X-ray telescope

**multi-messenger**  
astronomy

# Nuclear theory in the precision era

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How can neutron star observations help  
improve nuclear **effective field theories**

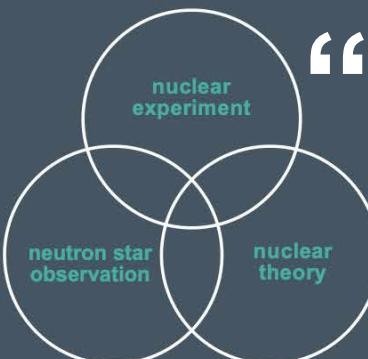
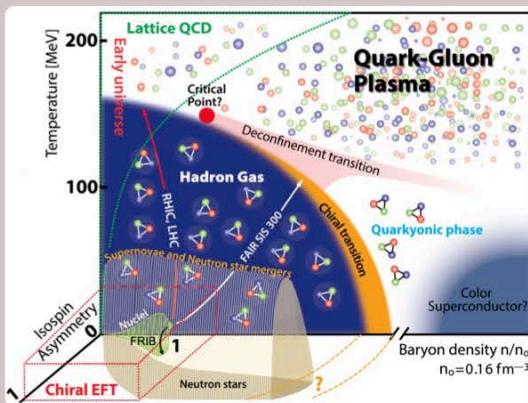
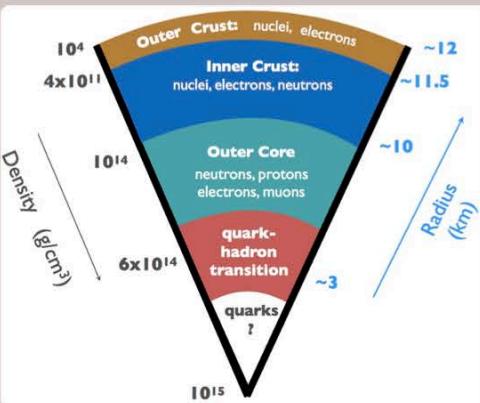
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What are the **phases** of neutron star matter  
below two times normal densities

?

At what density scale does nuclear  
effective field theory **break down**

?



“  
Enormous progress in theory,  
experiment, and observation  
make this new era particularly  
fruitful for the determination  
of the equation of state  
of neutron-rich matter.

Required:  
*statistically meaningful comparisons*

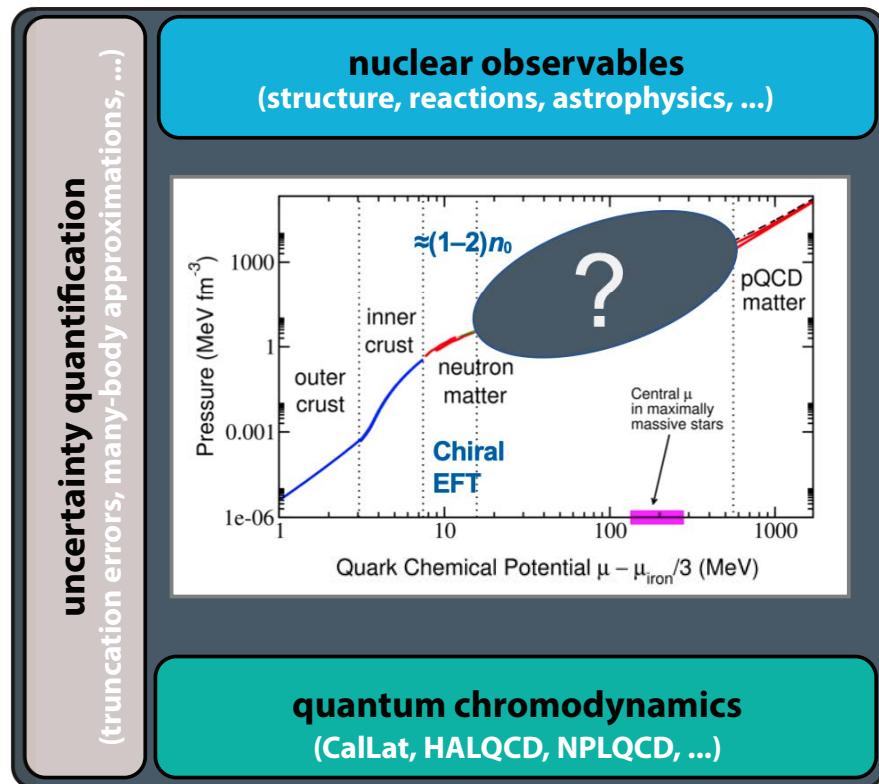
Papers presenting the results of theoretical calculations  
are **expected to include uncertainty estimates**...

- If the authors claim **high accuracy**, or improvements on the accuracy of previous work.
- If the primary motivation for the paper is to make **comparisons with present or future high precision experimental measurements**.
- If the primary motivation is to provide interpolations or extrapolations of known experimental measurements.

Phys. Rev. A: Editorial (April 2011)

# Ab initio workflow (idealized)

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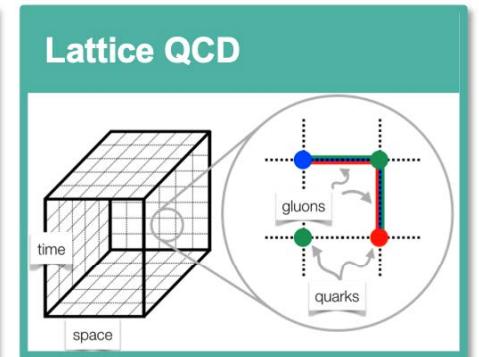
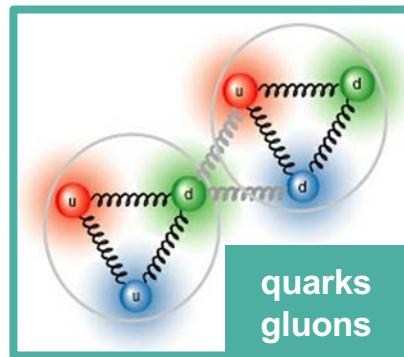


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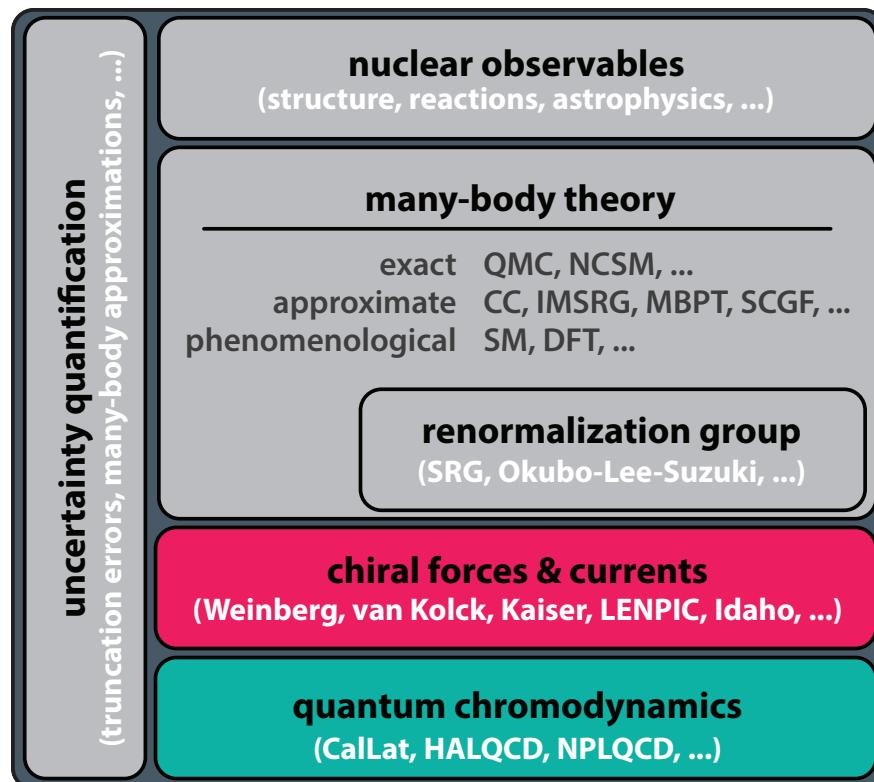
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CD, Haxton, McElvain, Mereghetti *et al.*, PPNP **121**, 103888

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**computational framework**  
solves the (many-body) Schrödinger equation  
requires a nuclear potential as input

**chiral effective field theory**  
provides microscopic interactions consistent with  
the symmetries of *low-energy QCD*

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# Modern theory of nuclear forces

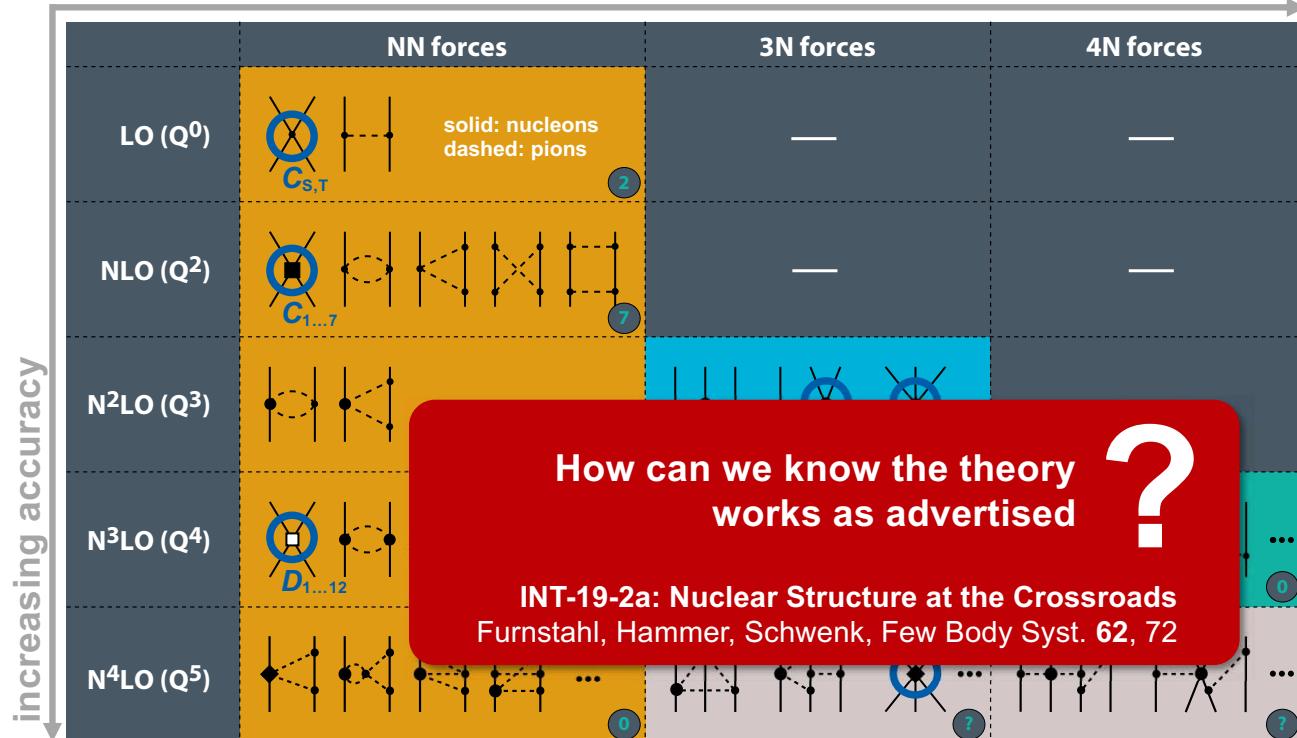


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Hierarchy of chiral nuclear forces up to  $N^4\text{LO}$

multi-nucleon forces

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



## Chiral Effective Field Theory

dominant approach to deriving microscopic interactions consistent with the symmetries of low-energy QCD  
degrees of freedom: **nucleons & pions**

fit the **unknown couplings  $\theta$**  to experimental (or lattice) data

- NN: phase shifts & deuteron
- 3N/4N: binding energies, charge radii

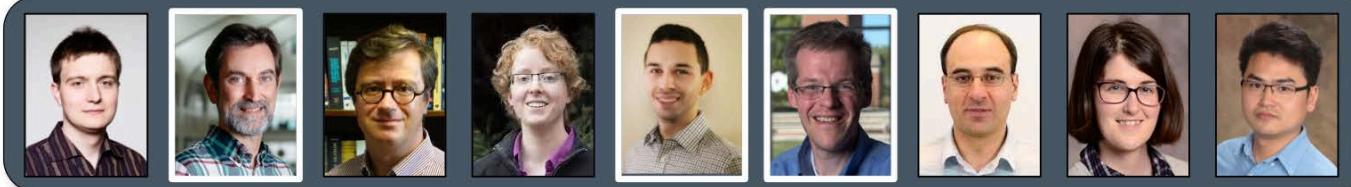
EFT expansion enables **uncertainty quantification** (truncation errors)

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

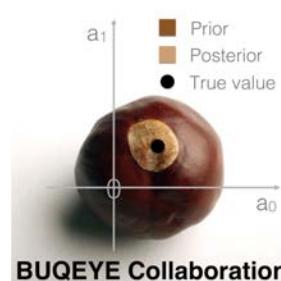
see also: Low Energy Nuclear Physics International Collaboration (LENPIC)

# Bayesian statistics is ideal for quantifying and propagating theoretical uncertainties

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Open-source software & tutorials (Jupyter): <https://buqeye.github.io>



Bayesian  
Uncertainty  
Quantification:  
Errors for  
Your  
EFT

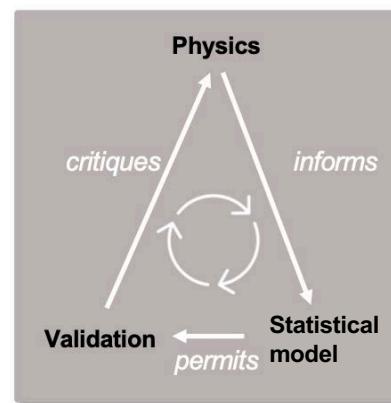
Select papers for UQ in EFT-based calculations:

How well do we know the neutron-matter EOS at the densities inside neutron stars? A Bayesian approach with correlated uncertainties, CD, Furnstahl, Melendez, Phillips, PRL **125**, 202702.

Rigorous constraints on 3N forces [...] calculations of few-body observables, Wesolowski, Svensson, Ekström *et al.*, PRC **104**, 064001.

Fast & accurate emulation of two-body scattering observables without wave functions, Melendez, CD, Garcia, Furnstahl, Zhang, PLB **821**, 136608.

Designing Optimal Experiments: An Application to Proton Compton Scattering, Melendez, Furnstahl, Grießhammer, McGovern, Phillips, Pratola, EPJ **57**, 81.



BUQEYE aims to use (Bayesian) statistical tools to **answer fundamental problems** in the **construction and application** of EFTs in nuclear physics. The tools include:

- parameter estimation
- model checking & selection
- fast & accurate emulators
- experimental design



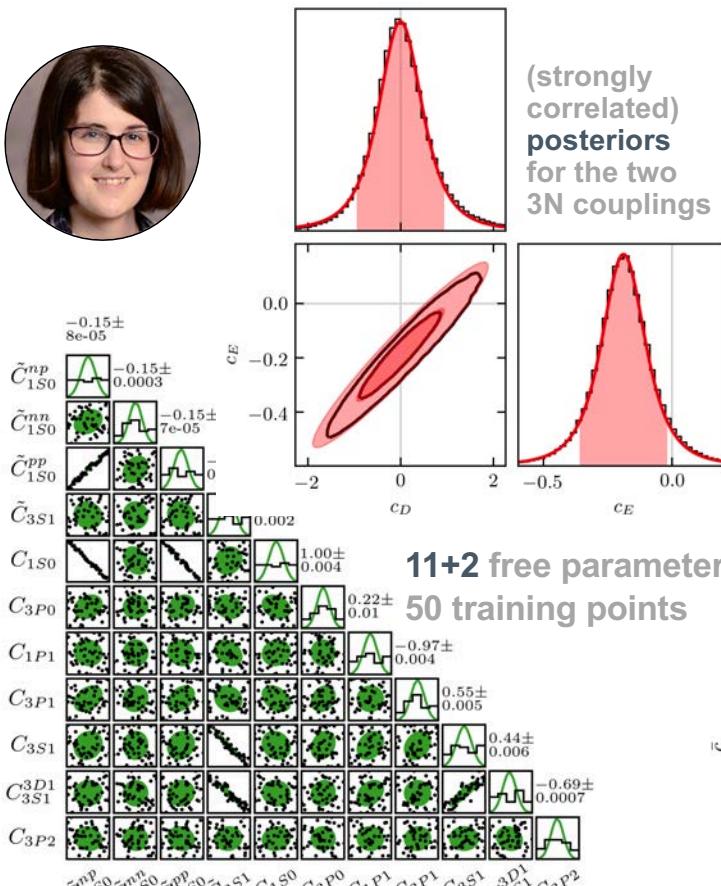
An NSF Cyberinfrastructure Framework designed to facilitate:

- Bayesian Model Mixing to quantify model uncertainty;
- full UQ for experimentally inaccessible environments such as neutron stars;
- Bayesian experimental design to assess the impact of proposed experiments.

**BAND Manifesto,**  
Phillips, Furnstahl, Heinz *et al.*,  
JGP: NP **48** 072001

# Spotlight: rigorous constraints on chiral forces

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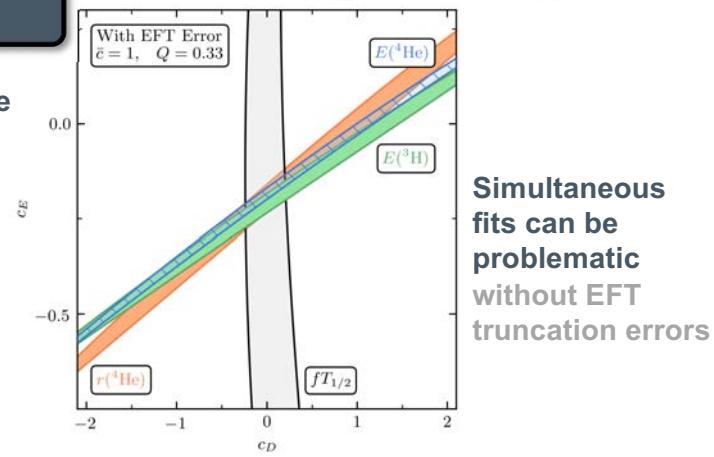
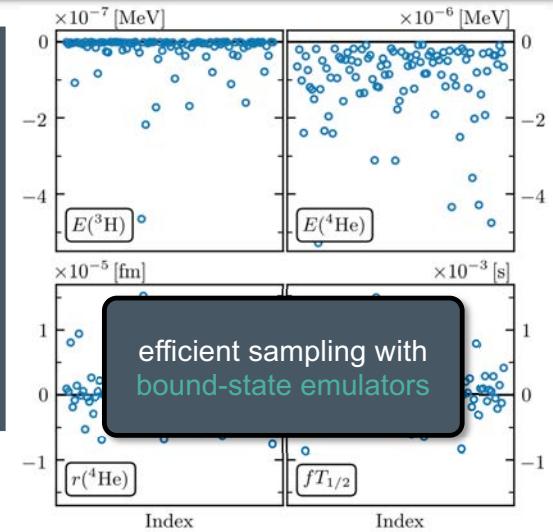
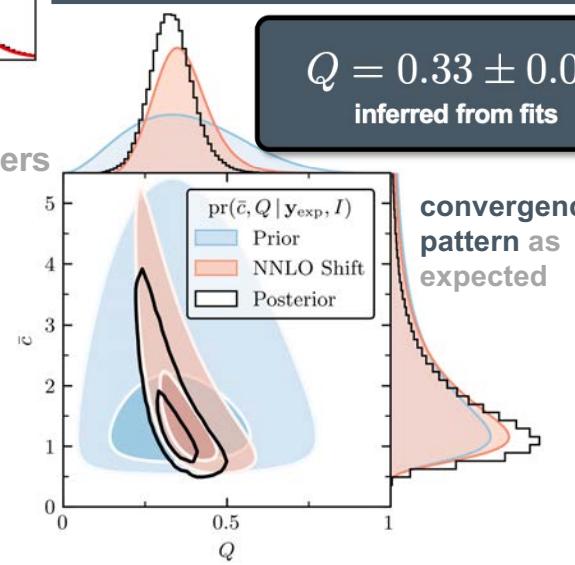


First chiral potentials (up to  $N^2\text{LO}$ ) with uncertainties fully quantified

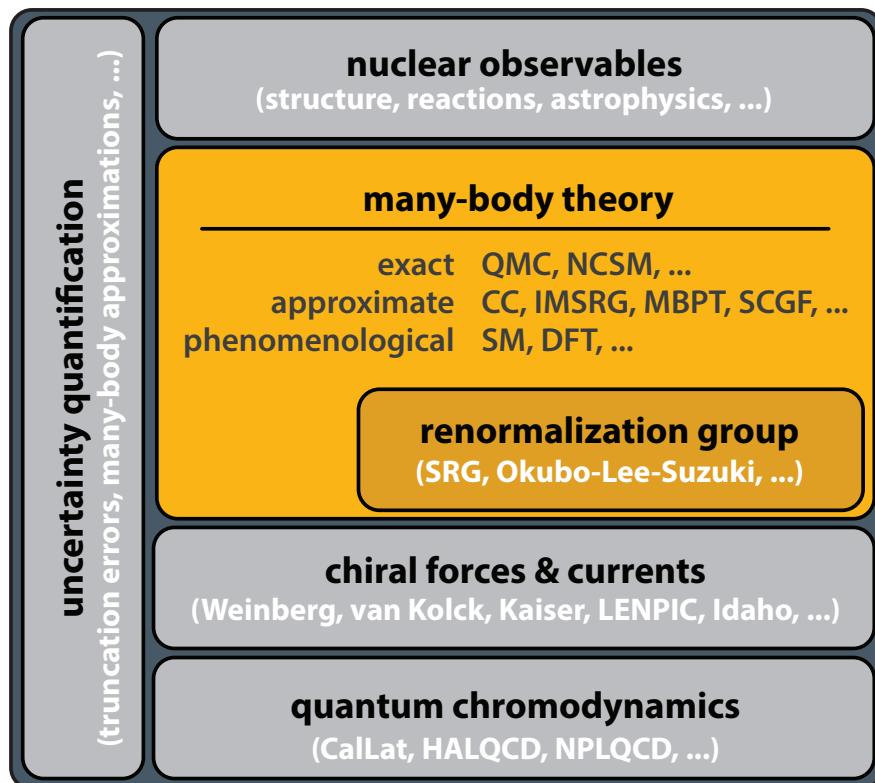
- ✓ EFT truncation errors
- ✓ data errors (LEC fits)
- ✓ method uncertainties

Applications to  $A = 6$  nuclei:  
Djärv, Ekström *et al.*, PRC **105**, 014005

$Q = 0.33 \pm 0.06$   
inferred from fits



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**Here: many-body perturbation theory (MBPT)**  
computationally efficient method (HPC-friendly)  
allows to estimate many-body uncertainties

Widely applicable:

- ✓ arbitrary proton fractions
- ✓ finite temperature
- ✓ optical potentials, linear response, nuclei, ...

Other frameworks include **quantum Monte Carlo**,  
coupled cluster, and self-consistent Green's functions

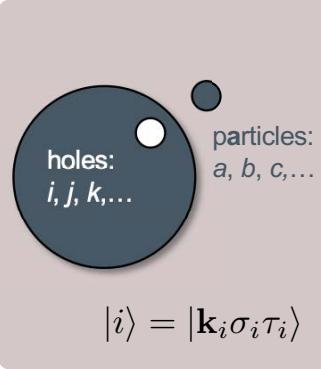
# Many-body perturbation theory (MBPT) in a nutshell

$$\frac{E^{(0)}}{V} = +\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \langle ij | \bar{V}_{NN} | ij \rangle$$

Hartree-Fock

$$\frac{E^{(2)}}{V} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\substack{ij \\ ab}} \frac{|\langle ij | \bar{V}_{NN} | ab \rangle|^2}{\varepsilon_i + \varepsilon_j - \varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_b}$$

second order



$$\frac{E_{hh}^{(3)}}{V} = +\frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{ab \\ i j k l}} \frac{\langle ij | \bar{V}_{NN} | ab \rangle \langle kl | \bar{V}_{NN} | ij \rangle \langle ab | \bar{V}_{NN} | kl \rangle}{D_{ijab} D_{klab}}$$

involved partial-wave decomposition

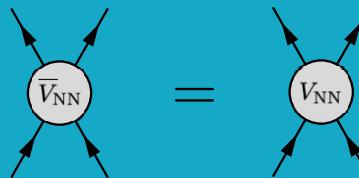
$$\frac{E_{ph}^{(3)}}{V} = +\sum_{\substack{abc \\ i j k}} \frac{\langle ij | \bar{V}_{NN} | ab \rangle \langle ak | \bar{V}_{NN} | ic \rangle \langle bc | \bar{V}_{NN} | jk \rangle}{D_{ijab} D_{jkbc}}$$

see Coraggio, Holt *et al.*, PRC **89**, 044321

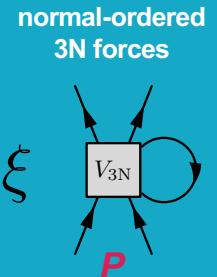
$$\frac{E_{pp}^{(3)}}{V} = +\frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{abcd \\ i j}} \frac{\langle ij | \bar{V}_{NN} | ab \rangle \langle ab | \bar{V}_{NN} | cd \rangle \langle cd | \bar{V}_{NN} | ij \rangle}{D_{ijab} D_{ijcd}}$$

third order

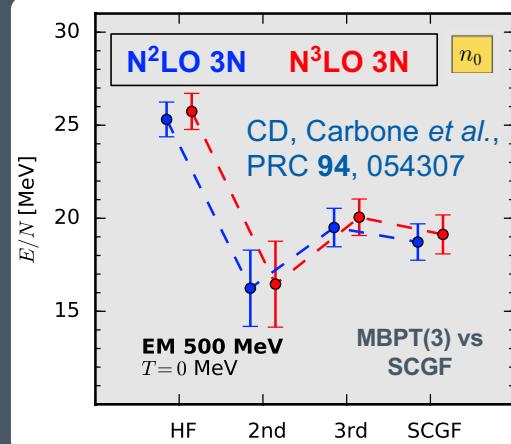
effective potential      genuine NN forces



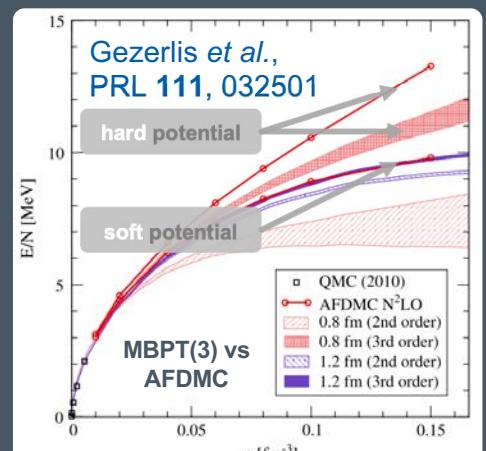
$$= V_{NN} + \xi$$



typically requires approximations | involved at N<sup>3</sup>LO+



nonperturbative benchmarks in neutron matter



# Monte Carlo framework for MBPT (second generation)

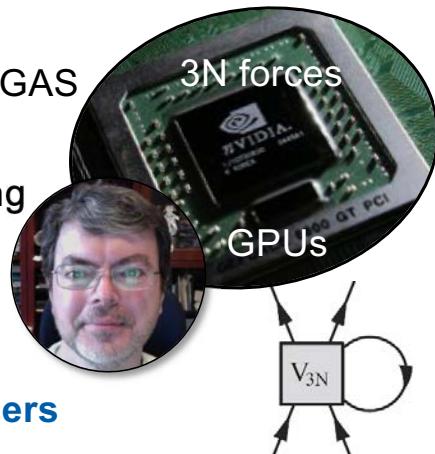
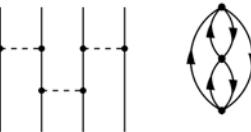
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## efficient evaluation of MBPT diagrams

with **NN**, **3N**, and **4N** forces (in a single-particle basis)

- **implementation of arbitrary diagrams** has become **straightforward** (numerically exact)
- multi-dimensional momentum integrals: improved VEGAS with CUDA, OpenMP, and MPI support
- hybrid, GPU-accelerated approach for normal ordering
- propagation of importance sampling distributions (e.g., for mapping the EOS efficiently in density)
- **fast EOS calculations at low MBPT orders;**  
**controlled MBPT calculations at higher MBPT orders**



GPU-accelerated  
diagram evaluation

automated code  
generation

analytic expressions  
interaction & MBPT diagrams

CD, McElvain *et al.*, in prep.  
CD, Hebeler, Schwenk, PRL **122**, 042501

For applications to the dilute Fermi Gas:  
Wellenhofer, CD, Schwenk,  
PRC **104**, 014003 & PLB **802**, 135247

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.



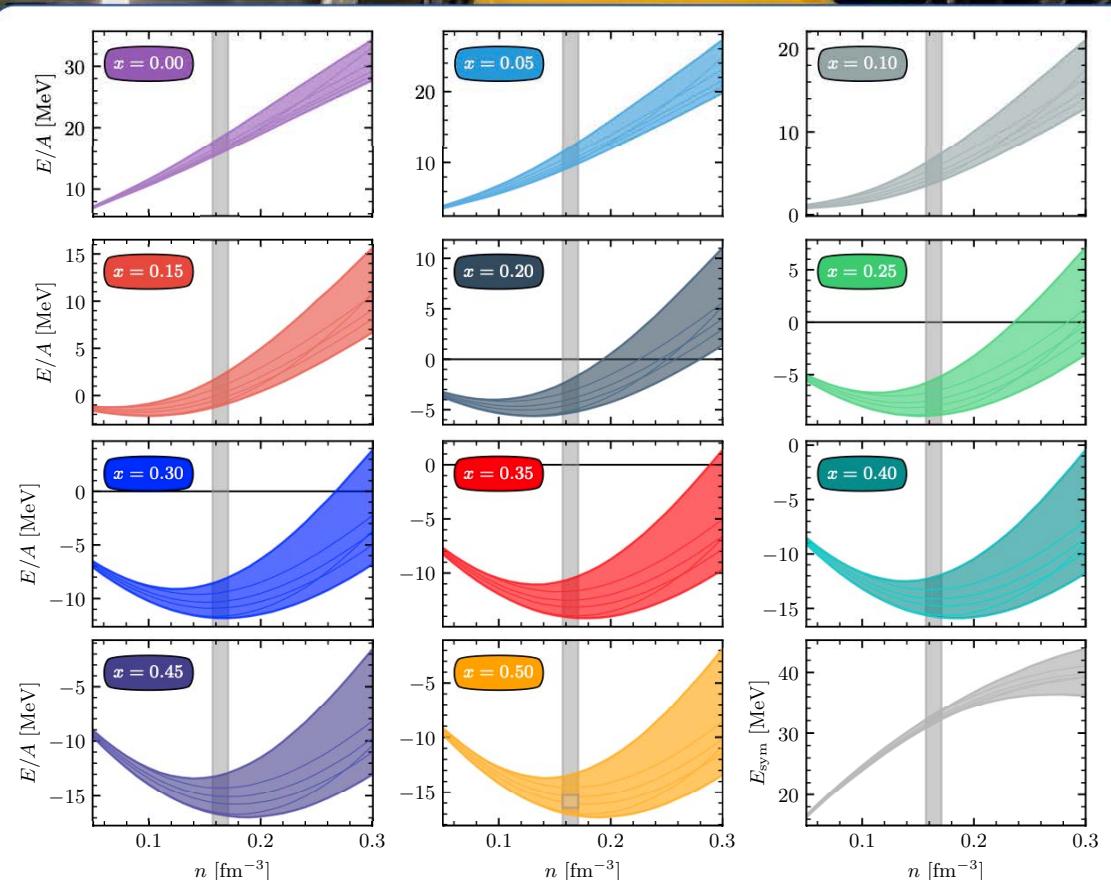
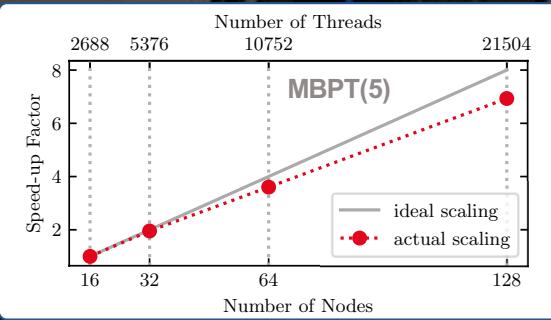
**with automated diagram generation**

Stevenson, Int. J. Mod. Phys. C **14**, 1135  
Arthuis *et al.*, Comput. Phys. **240**, 202



**fully automated approach  
to MBPT for nuclear matter**

# MBPT: an HPC application



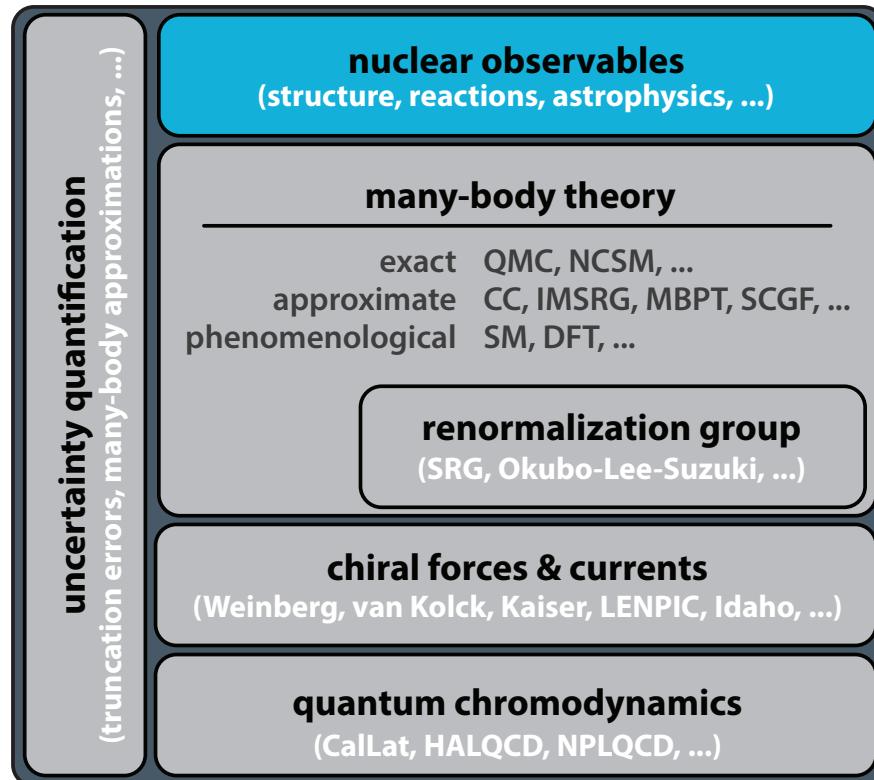
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**#2 (U.S.)**

Summit @ Oak Ridge Leadership Computing Facility

202 752 CPU Cores  
27 648 Nvidia GPUs

122.3 peta flops



CD & Bogner, Few Body Syst. **62**, 109

**nuclear EOS with quantified uncertainties**  
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## Uncertainty quantification

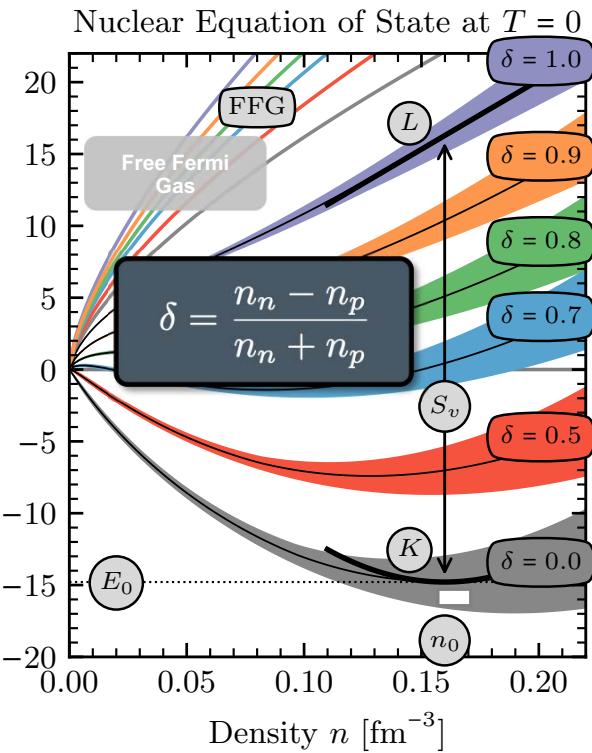
robust estimates of theoretical uncertainties using  
Bayesian machine learning via Gaussian Processes  
uncertainties in EFT-based calculations due to:

- **truncating the EFT expansion**
- **applying many-body (and other) approximations**
- **fitting LECs to experimental data**

First chiral potentials with uncertainties  
fully quantified and their application:  
Wesolowski, Svensson *et al.*, PRC **104**, 064001  
Djärv, Ekström *et al.*, PRC **105**, 014005

# Microscopic EOS calculations

Energy per Particle  $E/A$  [MeV]

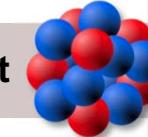


## low-density EOS parameters

- symmetry energy  $S_v$
- slope parameter  $L$
- saturation point  $(n_0, E_0)$
- incompressibility  $K$

## connection to experiment

- binding energies
- neutron skin thicknesses
- giant resonances
- heavy-ion collisions



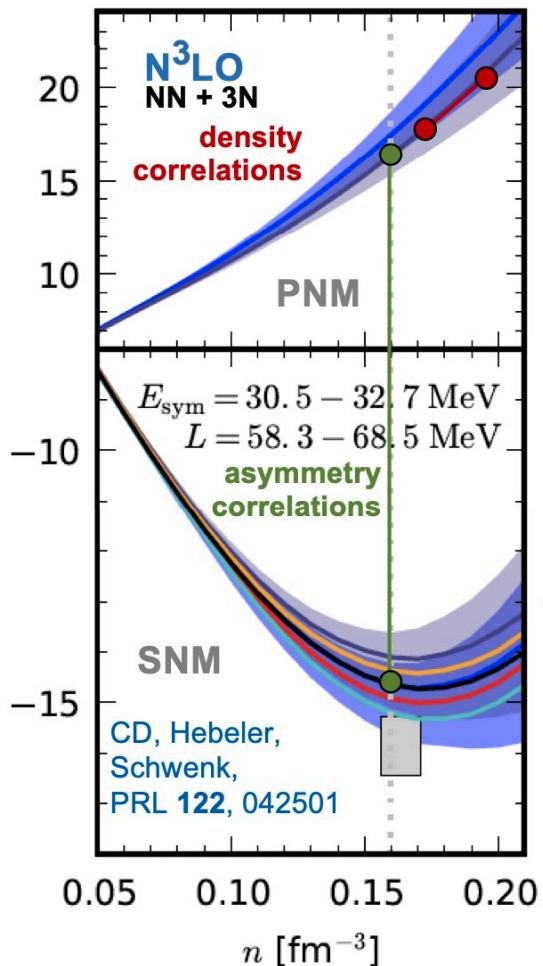
**Great progress** in microscopic EOS calculations at densities  $\lesssim 2n_0$  and predictions for the neutron star structure

But: the existing **uncertainty estimates** had only *limited* statistical meaning; *clean* propagation to derived quantities?

**EFT truncation errors increase rapidly with increasing density**

$E/N$  [MeV]

$E/A$  [MeV]

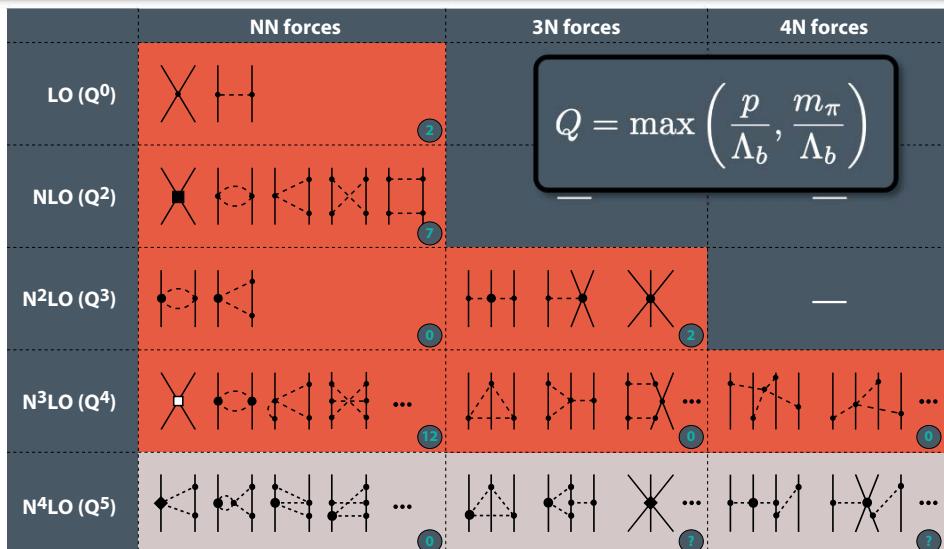


# Rigorous UQ for nuclear matter



CD, Furnstahl, Melendez,  
Phillips, PRL 125, 202702

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$\{y_0, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_k\}$

**predict observable  $y$  order by order  
in the chiral expansion**

$$y_k = y_{\text{ref}} \sum_{n=0}^k c_n Q^n$$

**make a *falsifiable* model assumption  
for the convergence pattern**

$$\mathcal{GP} [0, \bar{c}^2 r(x, x'; l)]$$

**treat all  $c_n$  as independent draws  
from a single Gaussian Process**

$$\delta y_k = y_{\text{ref}} \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} c_n Q^n$$

**learn hyperparameters of that GP &  
compute to-all-orders truncation error**

Recent applications of BUQEYE's GP model for correlated EFT truncation errors:

**Gaussian process error modeling for chiral EFT calculations of  $\text{np} \leftrightarrow \text{dy}$  at low energies**

Acharya & Bacca, PLB 827, 137011

***Ab initio* predictions link the neutron skin of  $^{208}\text{Pb}$  to nuclear forces**

Hu, Jiang, Miyagi *et al.*, arXiv:2112.01125

***Ab initio* nucleon-nucleus elastic scattering with chiral EFT uncertainties**

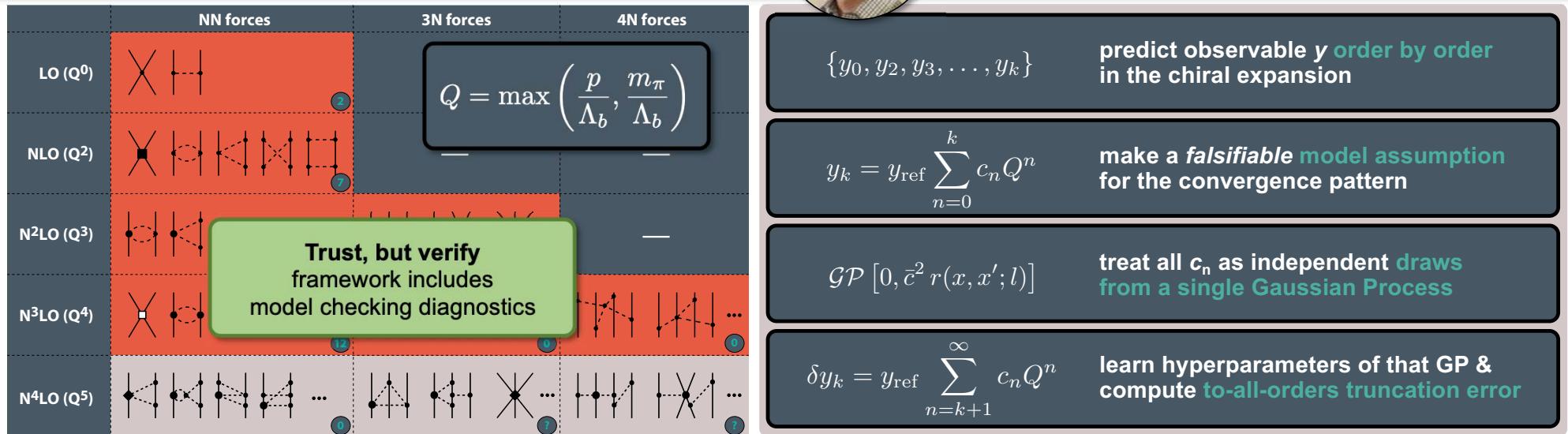
Baker, McClung, Elster *et al.*, arXiv:2112.02442

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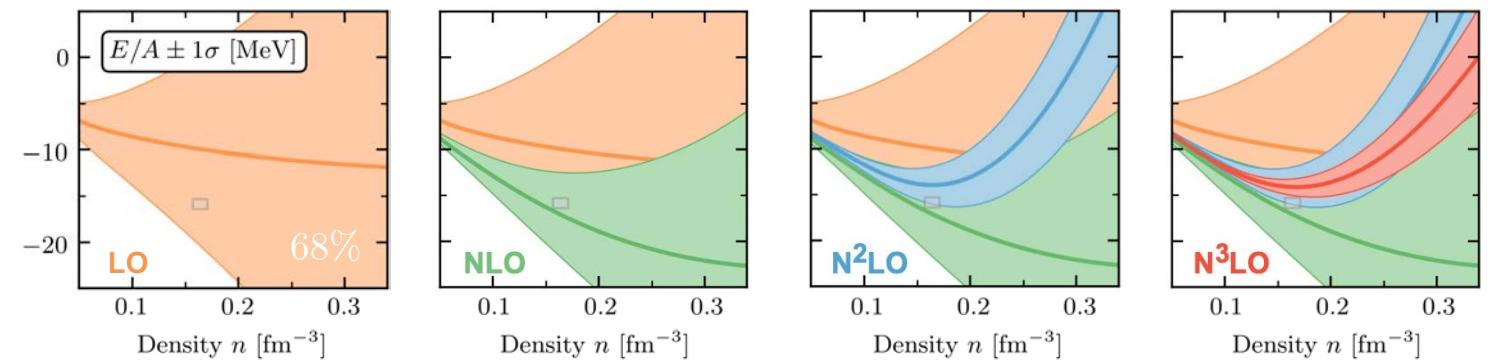


## An example: symmetric matter

$$y = \frac{E}{A}, \quad k = 4 \quad (N^3LO)$$

Uncertainty bands depict  
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$$y = y_k + \delta y_k$$

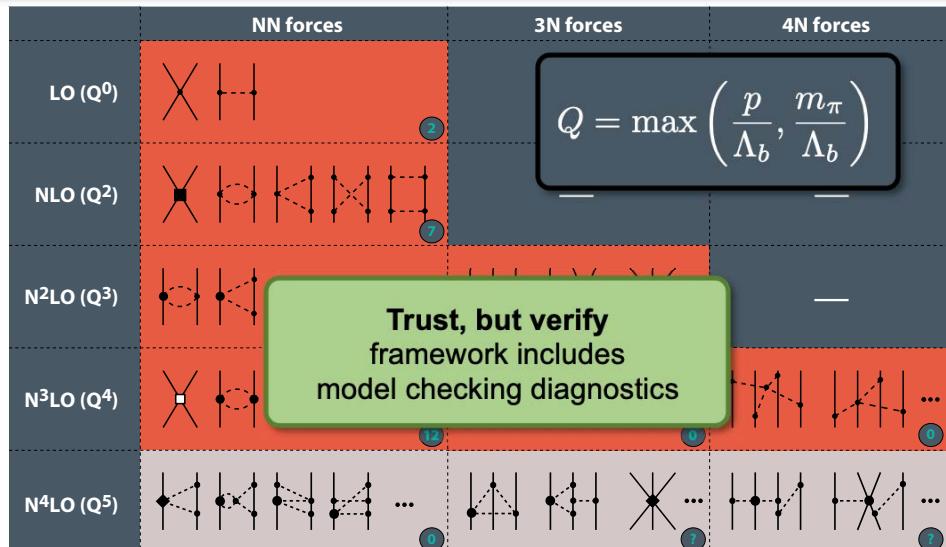


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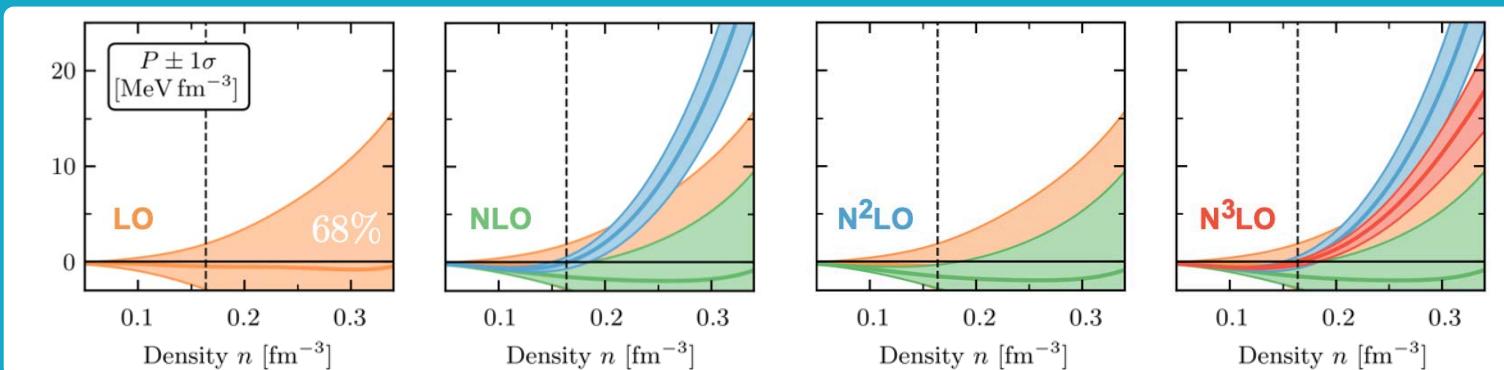
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$$y = P \equiv n^2 \frac{d}{dn} \frac{E}{A}, \quad k = 4$$

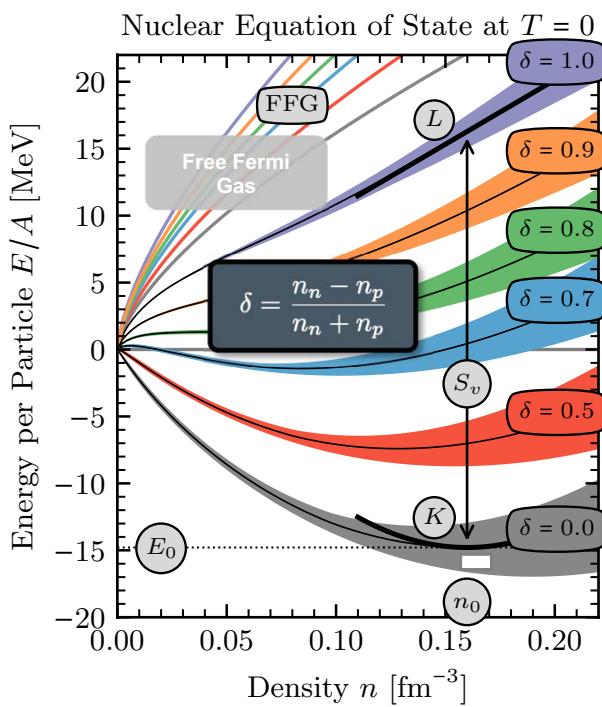
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# Neutron matter | saturation in symmetric matter

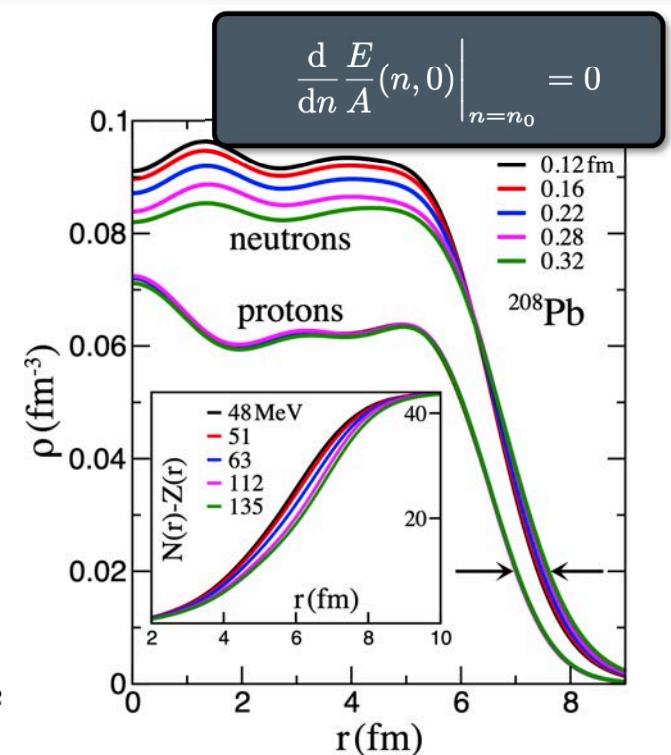
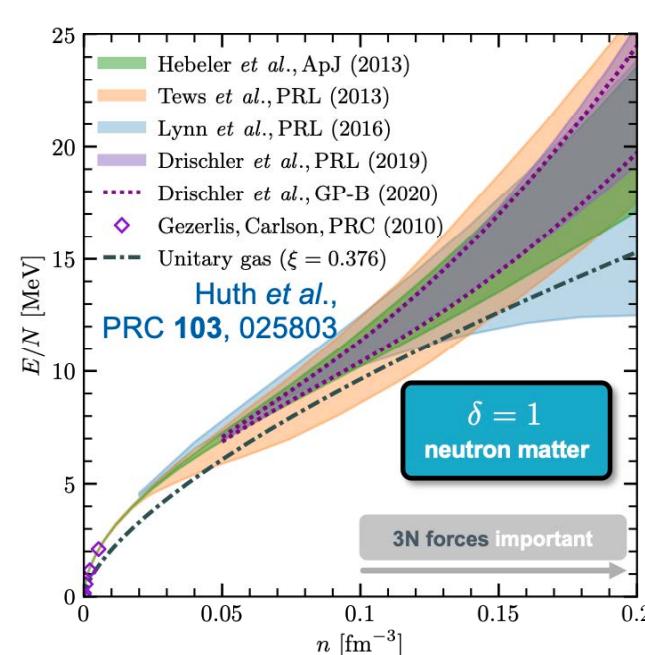
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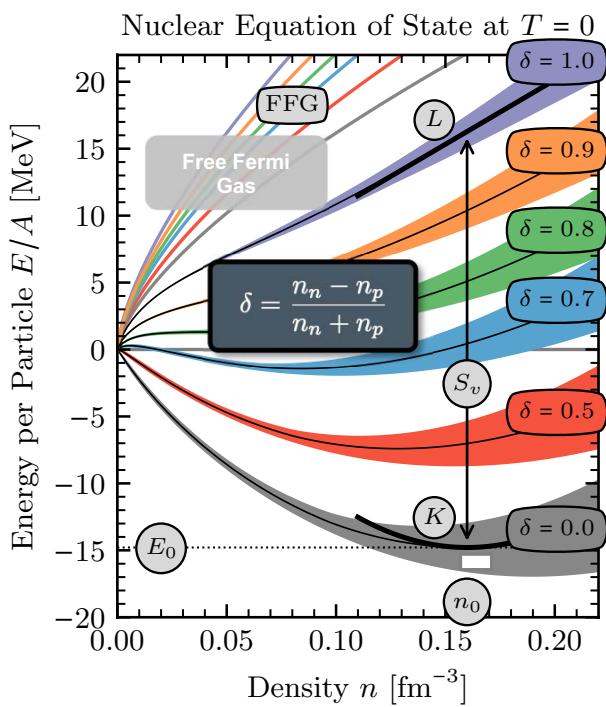
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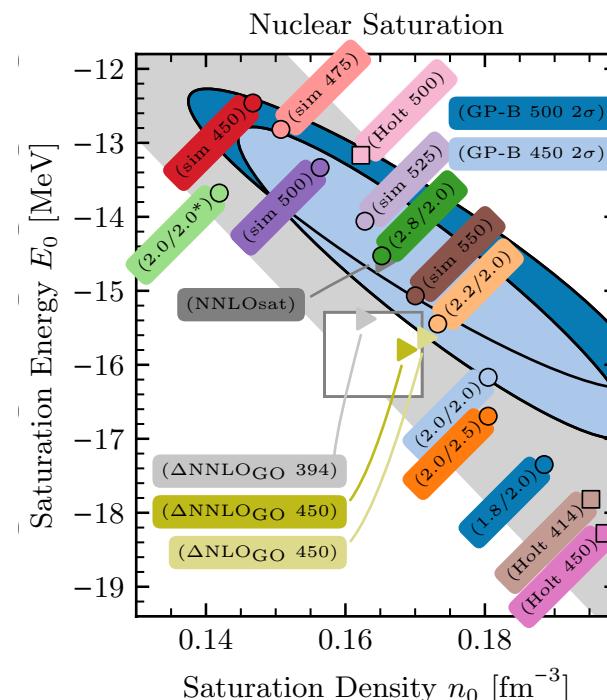
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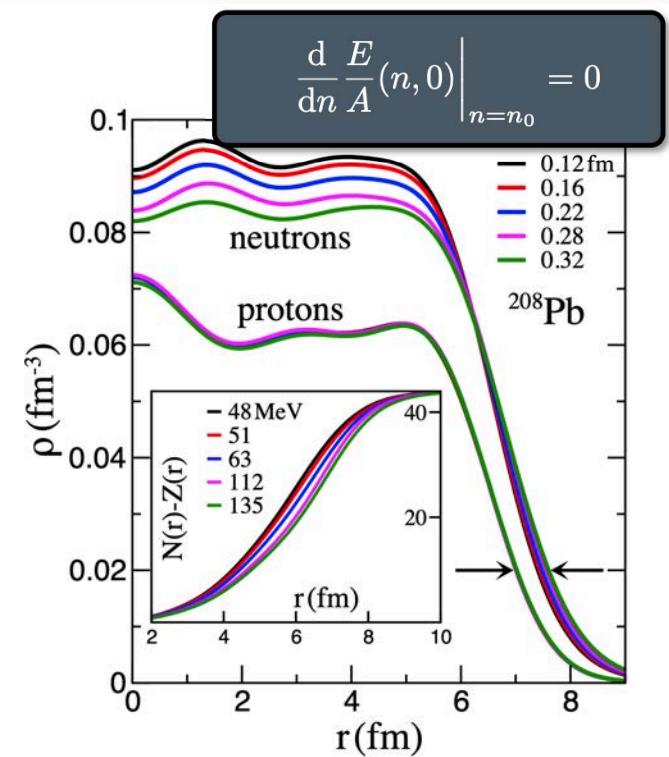


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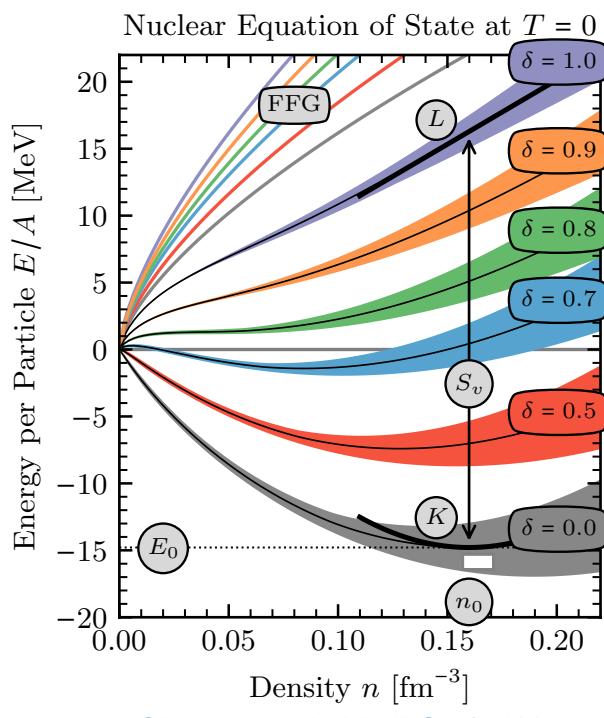


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# Incompressibility (in symmetric matter)

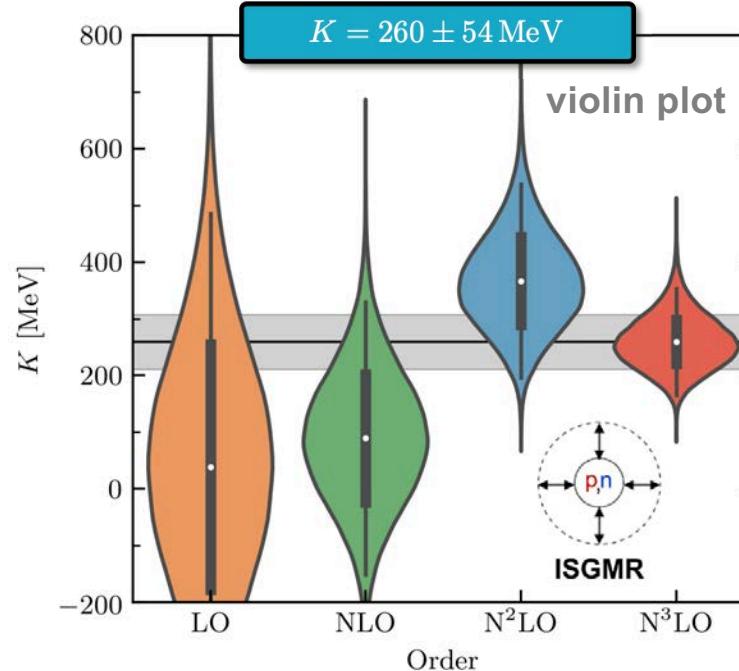
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CD, Holt *et al.*, ARNPS **71**, 403

$$\text{pr}(K | \mathcal{D}) = \int \text{pr}(K | \mathcal{D}, n_0) \text{pr}(n_0 | \mathcal{D}) dn_0$$

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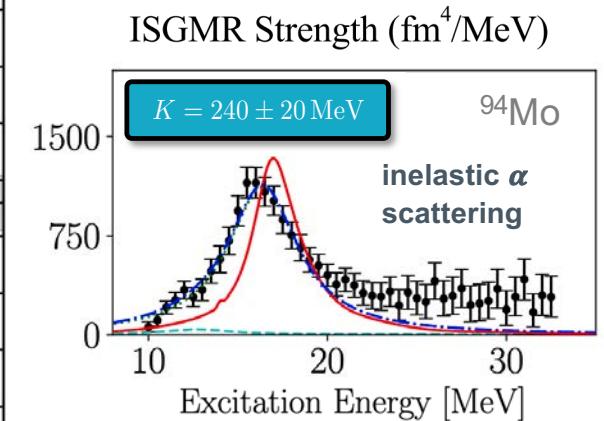


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## order-by-order convergence pattern

uncertainties due to the predicted saturation density included via marginalization

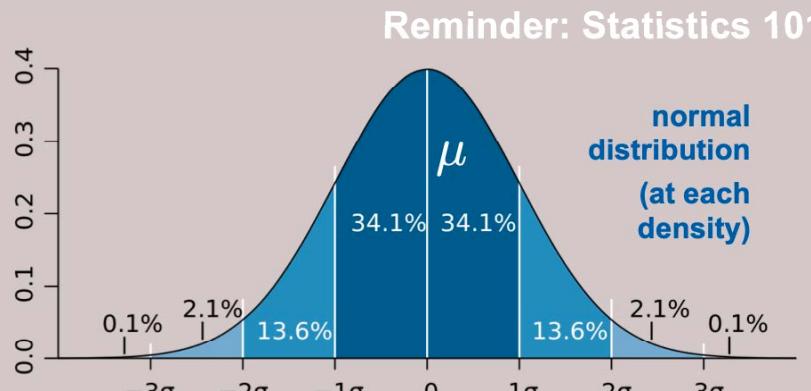
$$K = 9n_0^2 \frac{d^2}{dn^2} \frac{E}{A}(n) \Big|_{n=n_0}$$



Howard, Garg *et al.*, PLB **807** 135608  
Roca-Maza & Paar, PPNP **101**, 96

**Approved FRIB experiment:**  
“The ISGMR in  $^{132}\text{Sn}$ : Implications on the Nuclear Incompressibility”  
Randhawa *et al.* (experiment: 21056)

# Why correlations are important: symmetry energy



$$S_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{S_2}, \sigma_{S_2}^2)$$

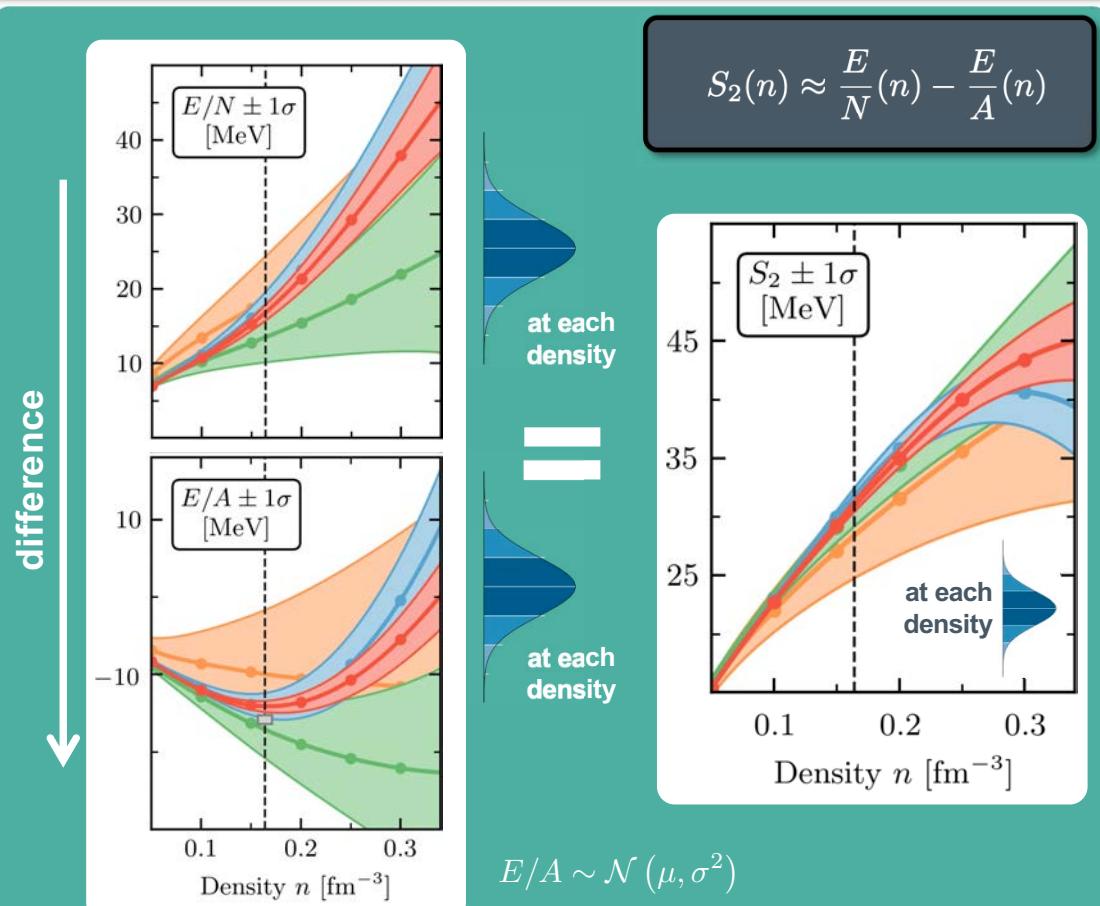
$$\mu_{S_2} = \mu_{\text{PNM}} - \mu_{\text{SNM}}$$

$$\sigma_{S_2}^2 = \sigma_{\text{PNM}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{SNM}}^2$$

$$- 2\sigma_{\text{PNM}}\sigma_{\text{SNM}} \rho$$

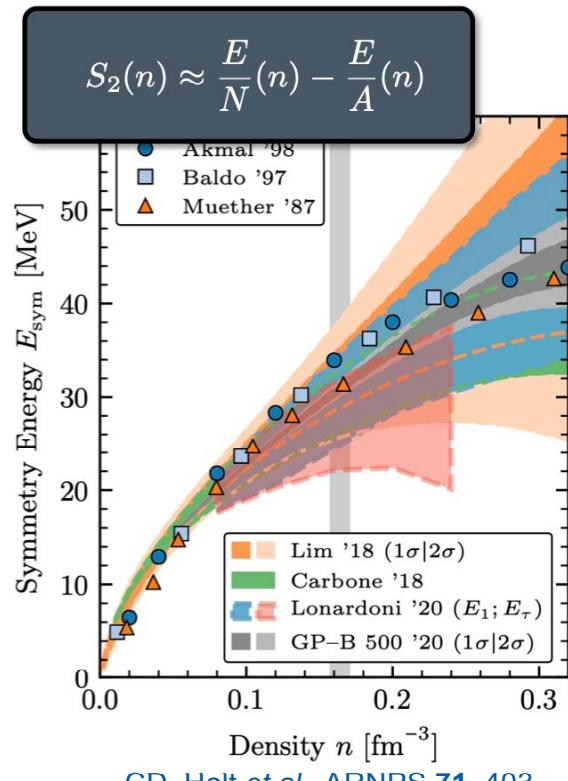
correlation coefficient  $-1 \leq \rho \leq +1$

may result in smaller uncertainties than one might *naively* expect

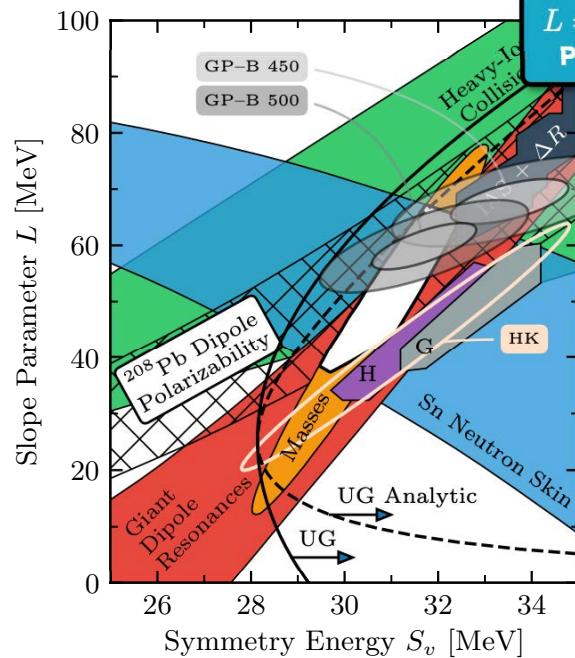


# Nuclear symmetry energy

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excellent agreement with experiment

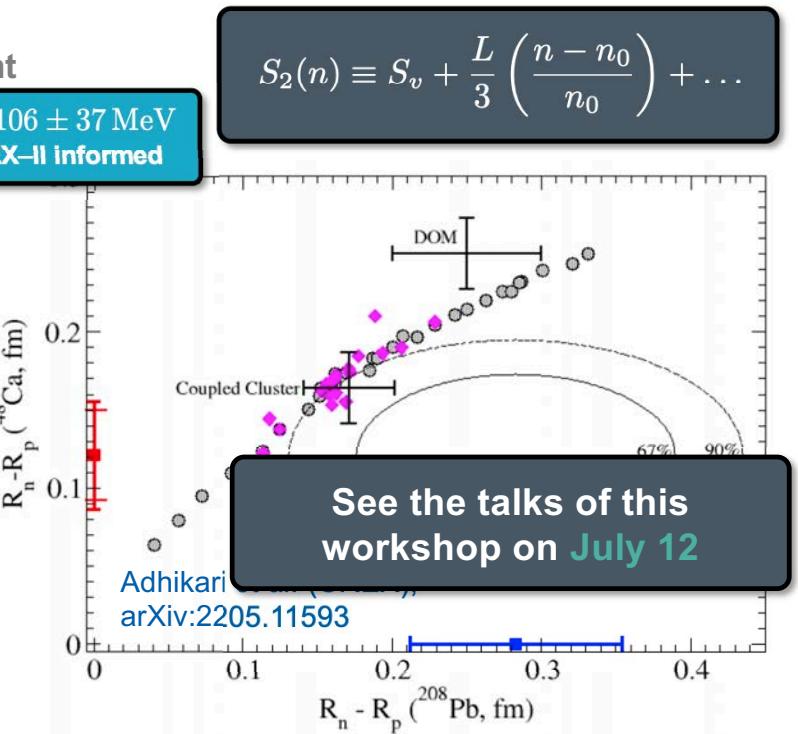


$$\text{pr}(S_v, L | \mathcal{D}) = \int \text{pr}(S_v, L | \mathcal{D}, n_0) \text{pr}(n_0 | \mathcal{D}) dn_0$$

$$\text{pr}(n_0 | \mathcal{D}) \approx 0.17 \pm 0.01 \text{ fm}^{-3}$$

marginalization over predicted saturation density

$$S_2(n) \equiv S_v + \frac{L}{3} \left( \frac{n - n_0}{n_0} \right) + \dots$$



Reinhard *et al.*, PRL **127**, 232501

Reed, Fattoyev *et al.*, PRL **126**, 172503

Piekarewicz, PRC **104**, 024329

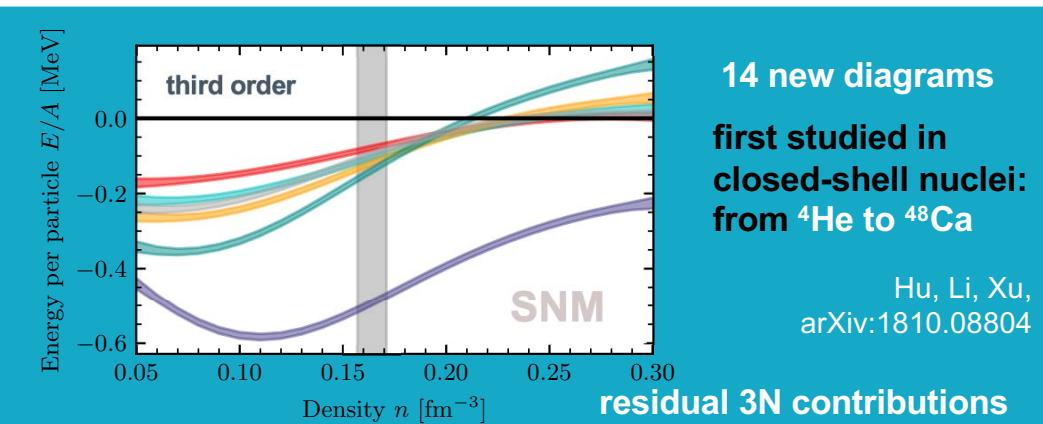
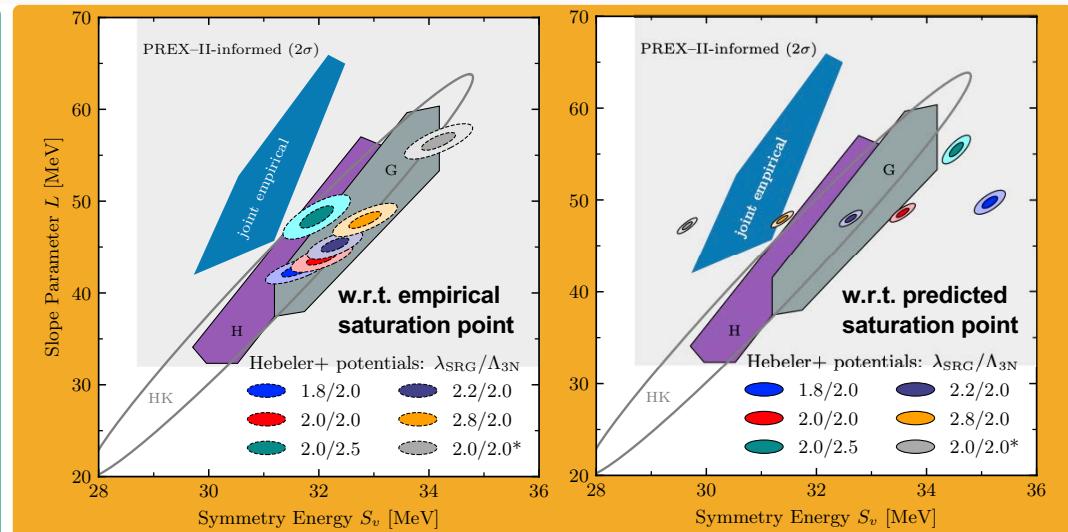
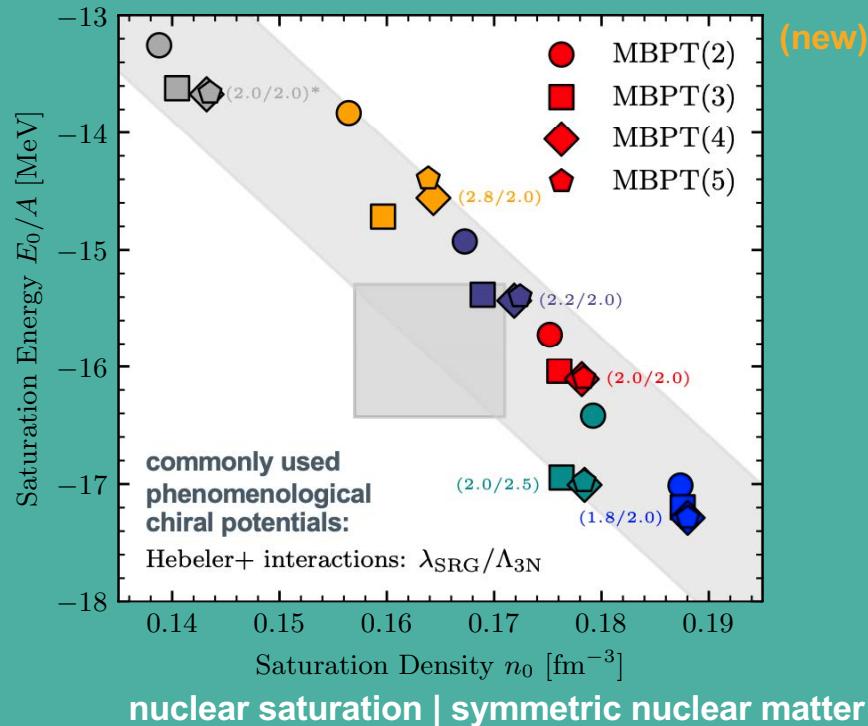
“Tension” between PREX-II and different theoretical approaches at the ~68-95% level

# 3N forces beyond normal ordering?

Drischler, McElvain *et al.*, in prep.

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MBPT( $n$ )	2	3	4	5
NN+3N norm. ord.	✓	✓	(✓, 3N)	✓
residual 3N	✓ (1)	✓ (14)	✗	✗



14 new diagrams

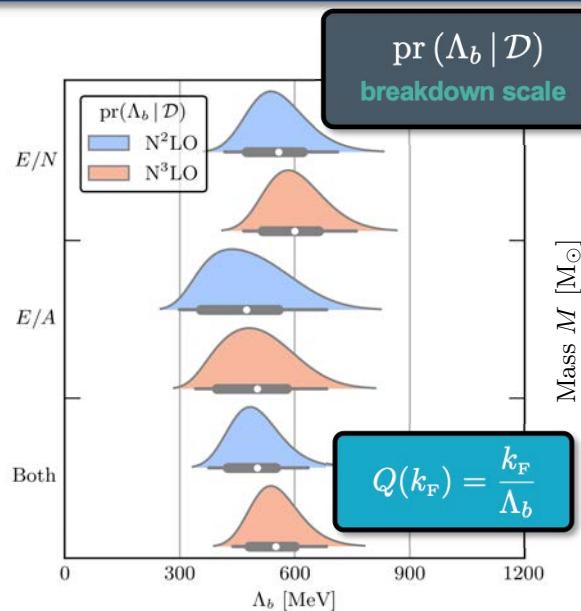
first studied in  
closed-shell nuclei:  
from  $^4\text{He}$  to  $^{48}\text{Ca}$

Hu, Li, Xu,  
arXiv:1810.08804

# Exploring the limits of chiral EFT



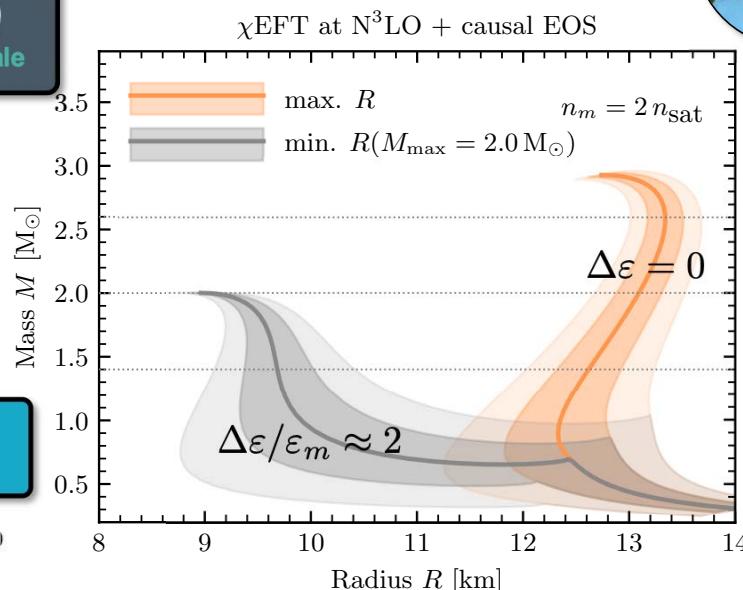
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Bayesian inference of the in-medium breakdown scale

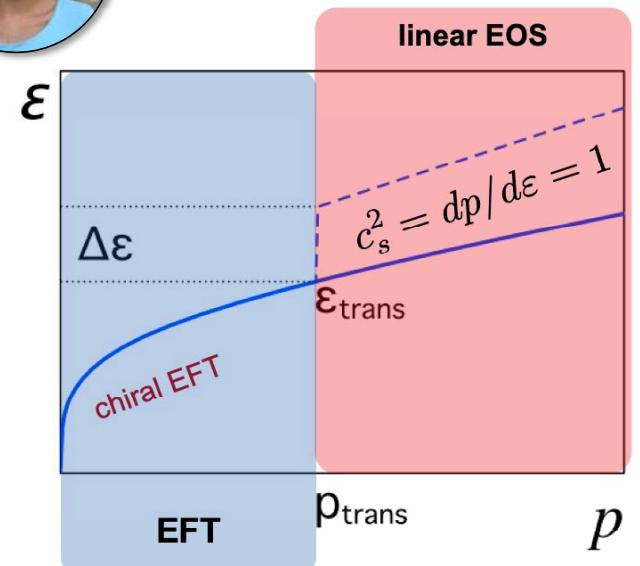
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CD, Han, and Reddy, PRC **105**, 035808

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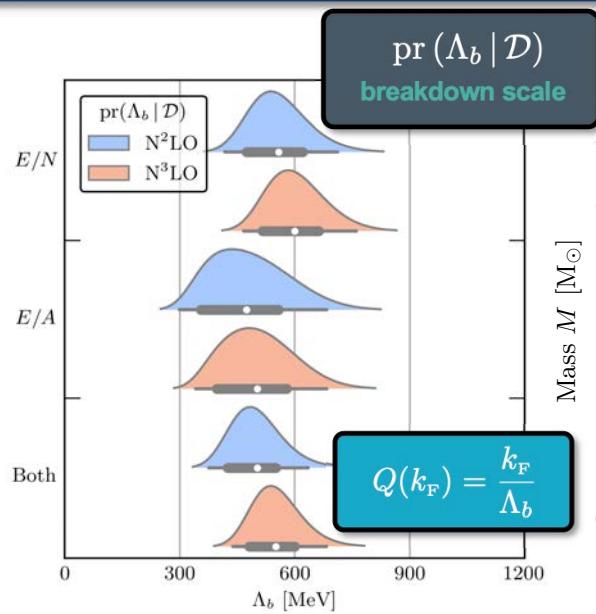
Han & Prakash, APJ **899**, 2  
Alford *et al.*, JPG: NPP **46**, 114001

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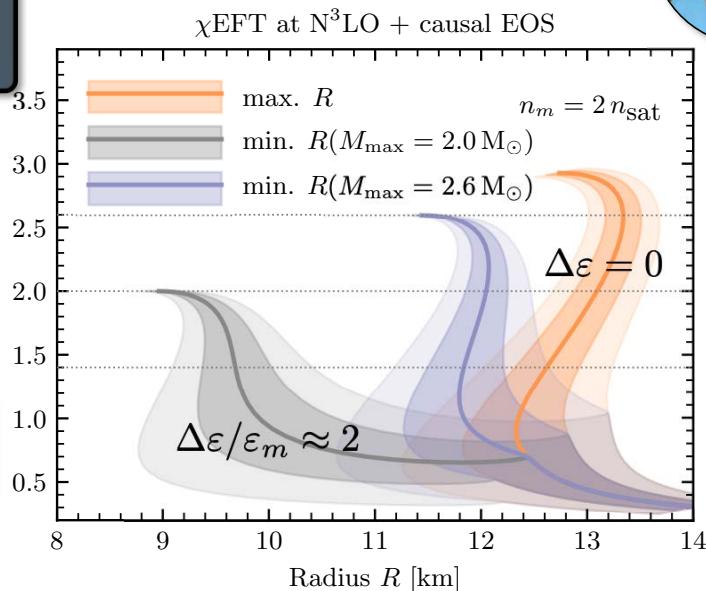
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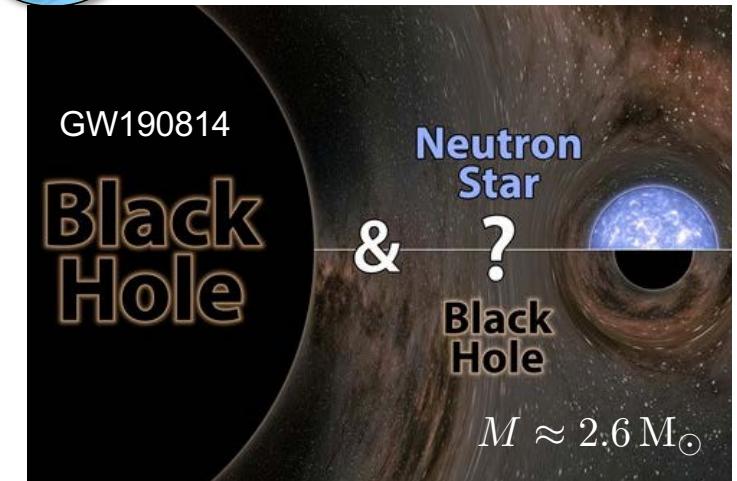
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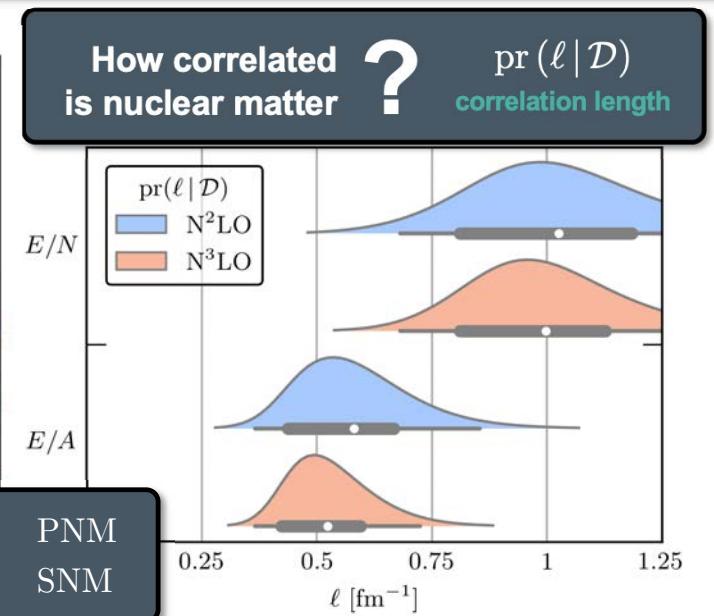
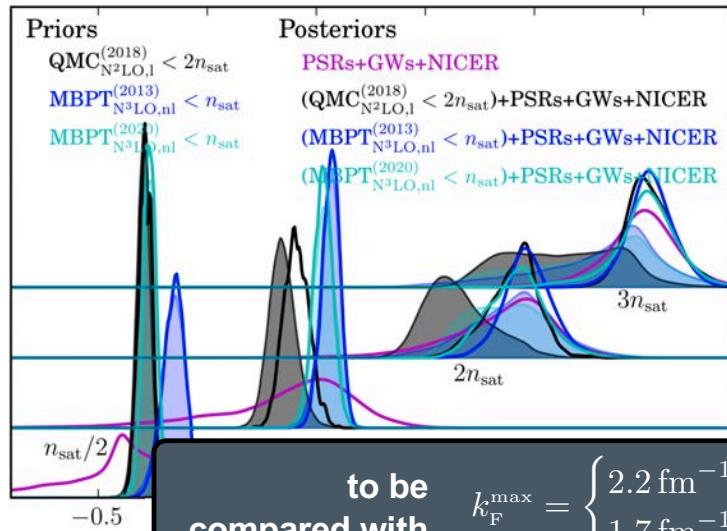
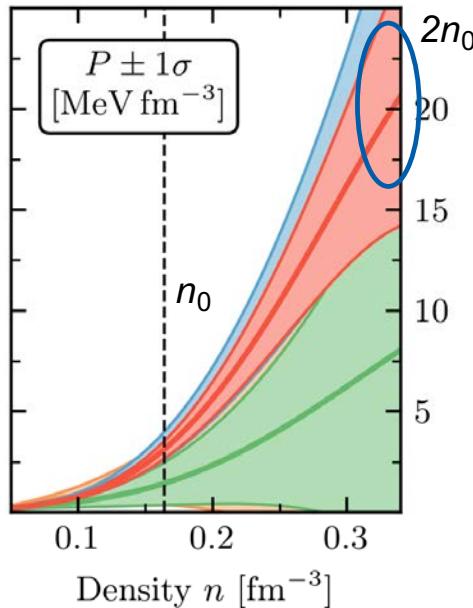


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# Direct astrophysical tests at supranuclear densities

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CD, Furnstahl *et al.*, PRL **125**, 202702

see also: Essick *et al.*, PRC **102**, 055803

CD, Melendez *et al.*, PRC **102**, 054315

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Neutron star observations could be used for:

Model checking & selection of chiral interactions

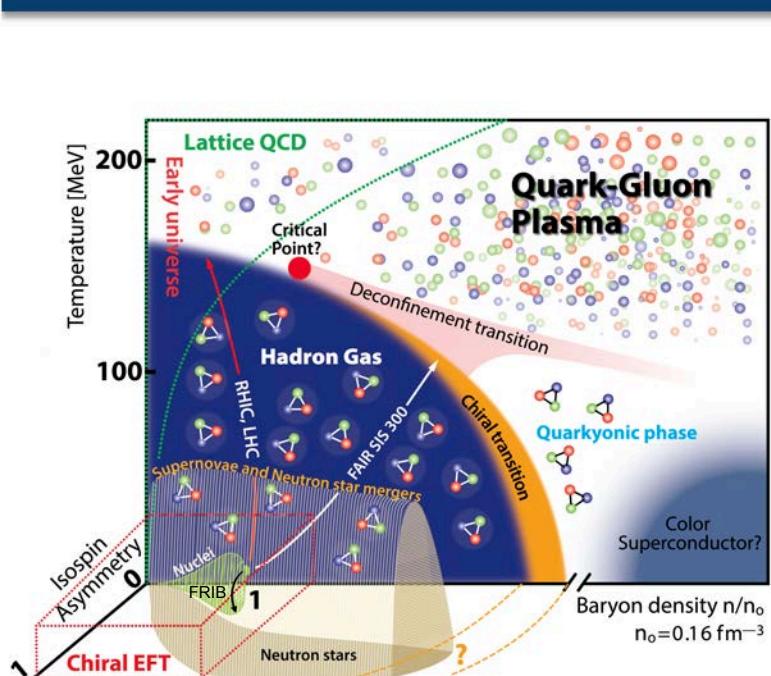
Constraints on coupling constants in nuclear forces

EFT truncation error is *highly* correlated

$$P(n = 0.32 \text{ fm}^{-3}) \approx \begin{cases} 20 \pm 6 \text{ MeV fm}^{-3} & \text{MBPT: nonlocal} \\ 15 \pm 5 \text{ MeV fm}^{-3} & \text{QMC: local } V_{E,1} \end{cases}$$

## More details? Recent review article

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Chiral EFT | neutron stars | MBPT  
nuclear matter at zero and finite temperature  
Bayesian uncertainty quantification  
recent neutron star observations

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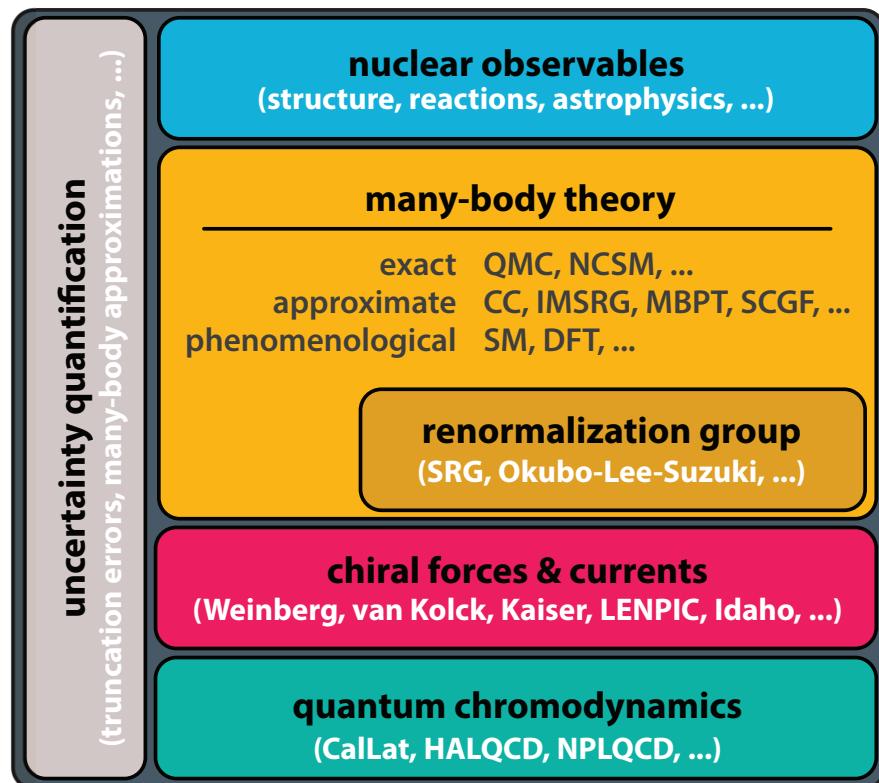
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James Lattimer, Annu. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. **71**, 433

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# Ab initio workflow (idealized)



CD & Bogner, Few Body Syst. **62**, 109

Here: nuclear equation of state (EOS)  
energy per particle (and derived quantities)

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

baryon density  $n$   
neutron excess  $\delta$   
temperature  $T (=0)$

## Emulators for nuclear physics

computationally *inexpensive* algorithms  
capable of approximating exact model  
calculations with *high accuracy*

**surrogate  
models**

See also applications in GW astronomy, such as:

### Fast Prediction and Evaluation of Gravitational Waveforms Using Surrogate Models

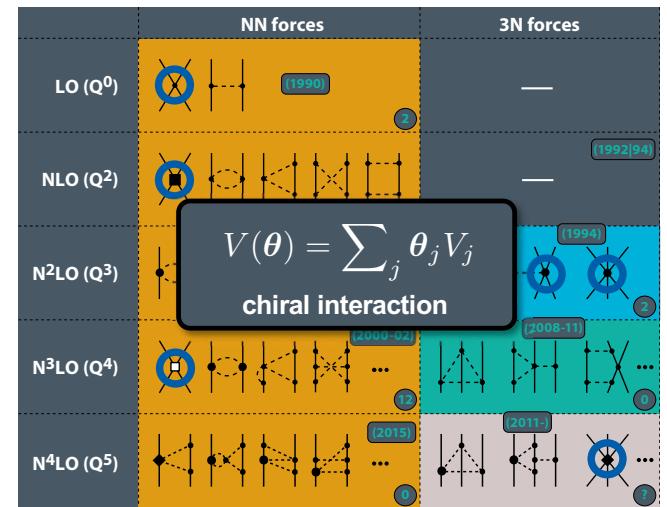
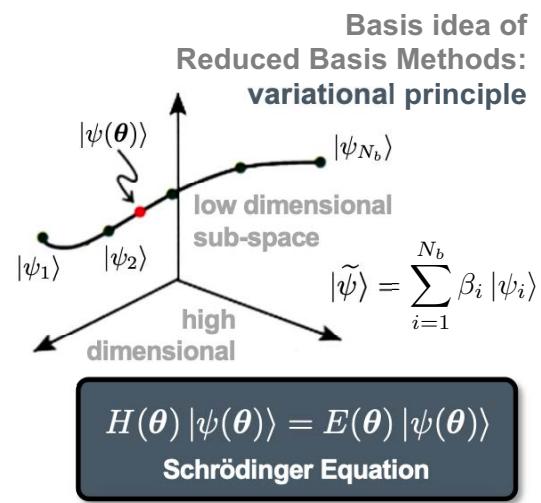
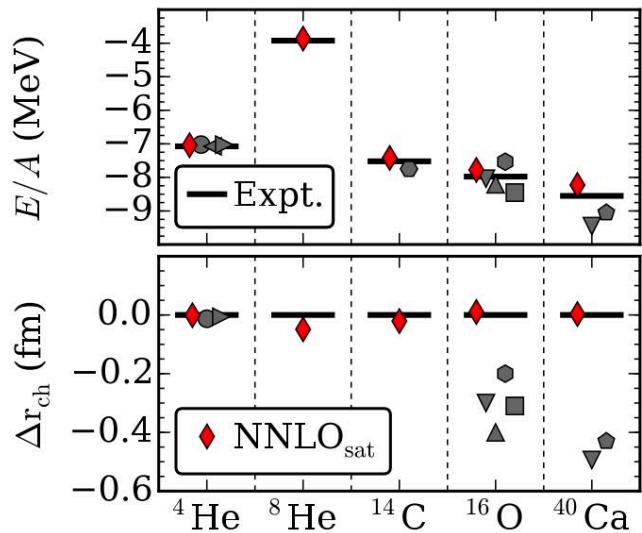
Field, Galley, Hesthaven, Kaye, Tiglio, PRX **4**, 031006

### Frequency-domain reduced order models for gravitational waves from aligned-spin compact binaries

Pürrer, Class. Quantum Grav. **31**, 195010

# Game changers in nuclear physics: emulators

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**Open questions in chiral EFT:** power counting, regulator artifacts, and differing predictions for medium-mass nuclei

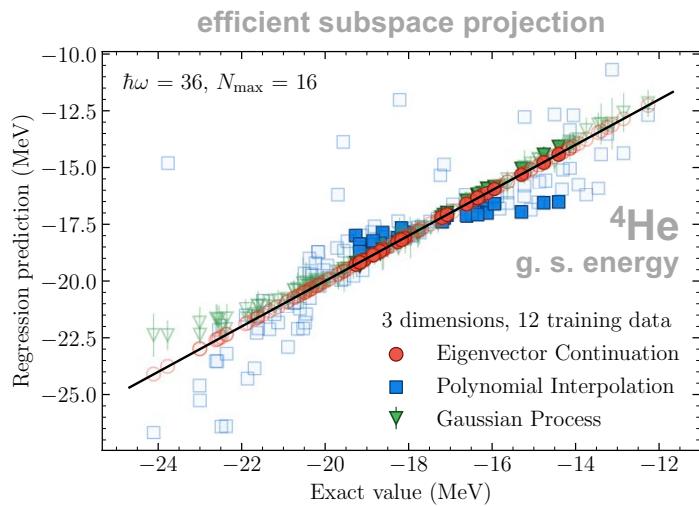
**statistical analyses of scattering data could provide valuable insights**

Frame *et al.*, PRL **121**, 032501  
Melendez, CD *et al.*, arXiv:2203.05528

**Here: Reduced Basis Methods (Eigenvector Continuation)**  
Construct **reduced-order models** by removing superfluous information in HiFi models  
Emulators enable applications thought to be prohibitively slow (MC sampling)  
Example: **Bayesian parameter estimation**

CD, Holt, and Wellenhofer, ARNPS **71**, 403

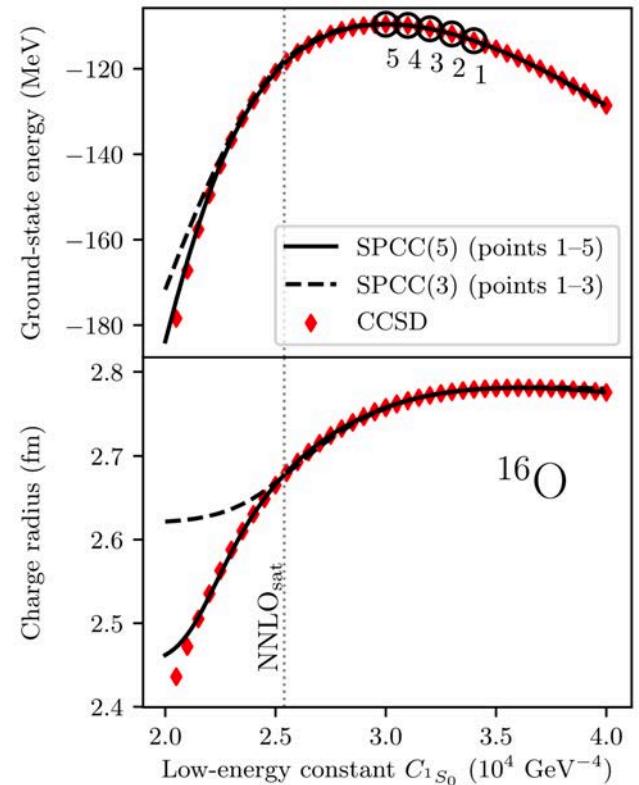
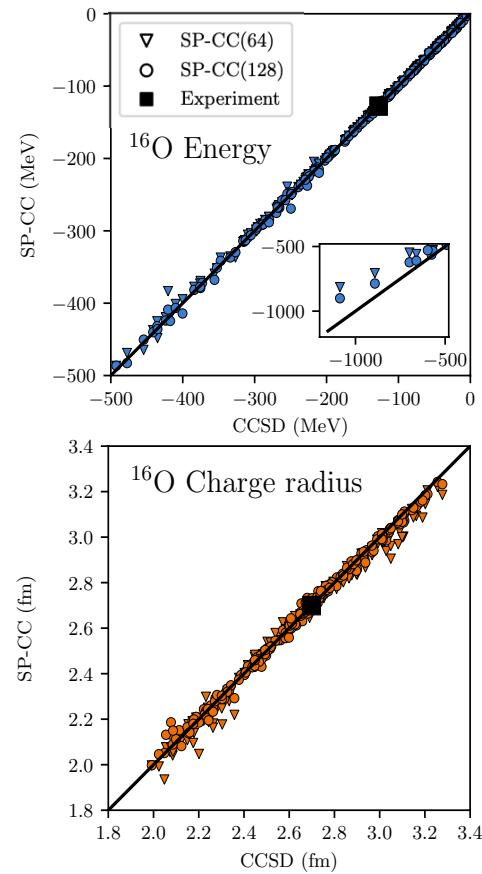
# Emulators for bound-state calculations



König, Ekström *et al.*, PLB 810, 135814

Fast & accurate emulation via subspace projection methods (RBM)

RBM-driven emulators have **accurately approximated g. s. properties** binding energies and charge radii

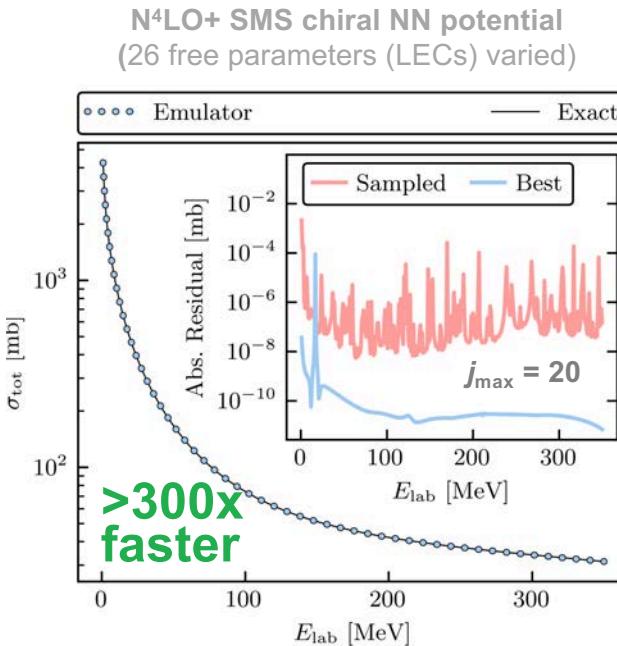


Ekström & Hagen, PRL 123, 252501

Millions of sampling points computed in one hour on a standard laptop.  
An equivalent set of exact CC computations would require 20 years.

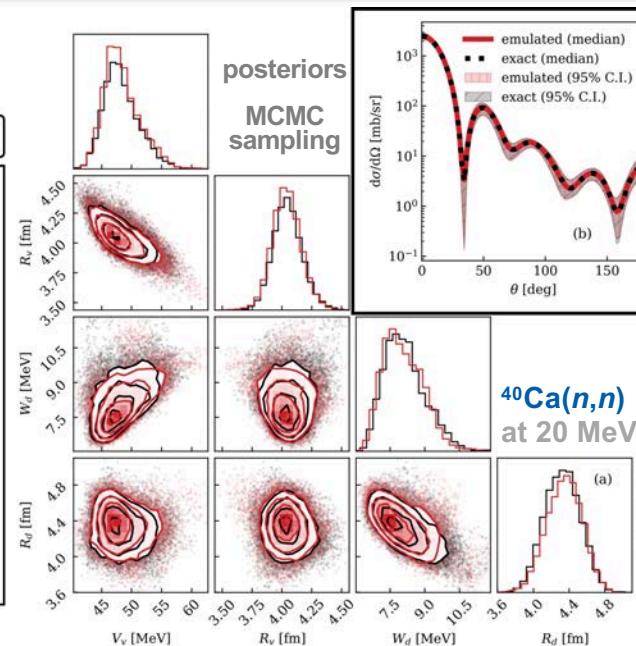
# Emulators: mining scattering & reaction data, and more

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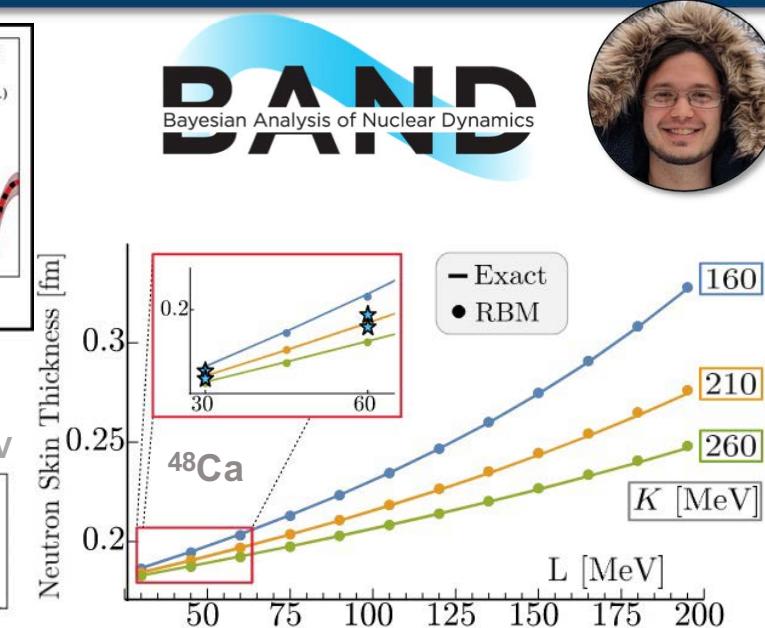
Melendez, CD et al., PLB 821, 136608

**Proof of principle:** emulation of two-body scattering observables with and without wavefunctions (KVP vs NVP)  
26 free parameters (LECs) varied  
(N<sup>4</sup>LO+ SMS chiral NN potential)



CD, Quinonez et al., PLB 823, 136777

both interpolation and extrapolation in the parameter space  $\theta$  with negligible errors  
**efficient Bayesian parameter estimation** for improving next-generation chiral interactions and optical models



Bonilla, Giuliani, Godbey, Lee, arXiv:2203.05284  
Anderson, O'Donnell, Piekarewicz, arXiv:2206.14889  
see also: J. Melendez on GitHub

towards **calibrating modern EDFs** using Bayesian optimization and RBM emulators  
**Proof of principle:** emulated the entire single-particle spectrum of a variety of nuclei

## Emulator classification

data-driven (non-intrusive)  
Gaussian Processes, Artificial Neural Networks, etc.

model-driven (intrusive)  
reduced-order equations from high-fidelity equations



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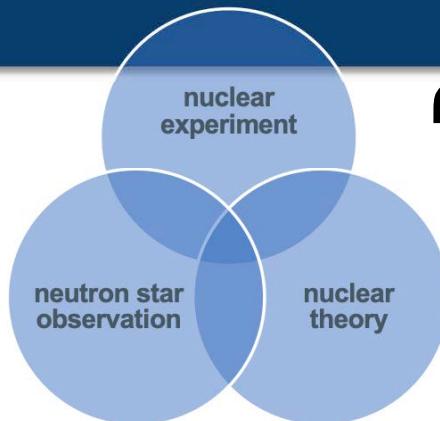
Many pointers to the MOR literature: [arXiv:2203.05528 \(accepted Guide in J. Phys. G Nucl. Part.\)](https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.05528)

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see also: CD & Zhang, Chap. 8, pp. 29–36, in arXiv:2202.01105 (collective pieces edited by Tews, Davoudi, Ekström, Holt)

## Take-away points

multi-messenger  
nuclear precision  
FRIB } era



“ Enormous progress in theory, experiment, and observation make this new era particularly fruitful for the determination of the equation of state of neutron-rich matter. ”

- 1 Upcoming observational (and experimental) campaigns will provide **stringent constraints** on the properties of neutron stars
- 2 Chiral EFT enables **microscopic predictions** of nuclear matter (and nuclei) **with quantified uncertainties** to interpret these empirical constraints
- 3 Bayesian methods are powerful tools for quantifying & propagating **correlated uncertainties** in EFT-based calculations (*model checking* is important)
- 4 Emulators have been **game changers in nuclear physics**; and much can be learned from the well-established MOR field in applied mathematics.

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