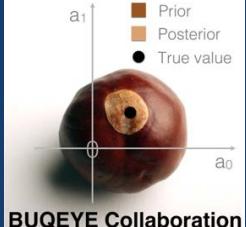


Microscopic and empirical constraints of the nuclear equation of state

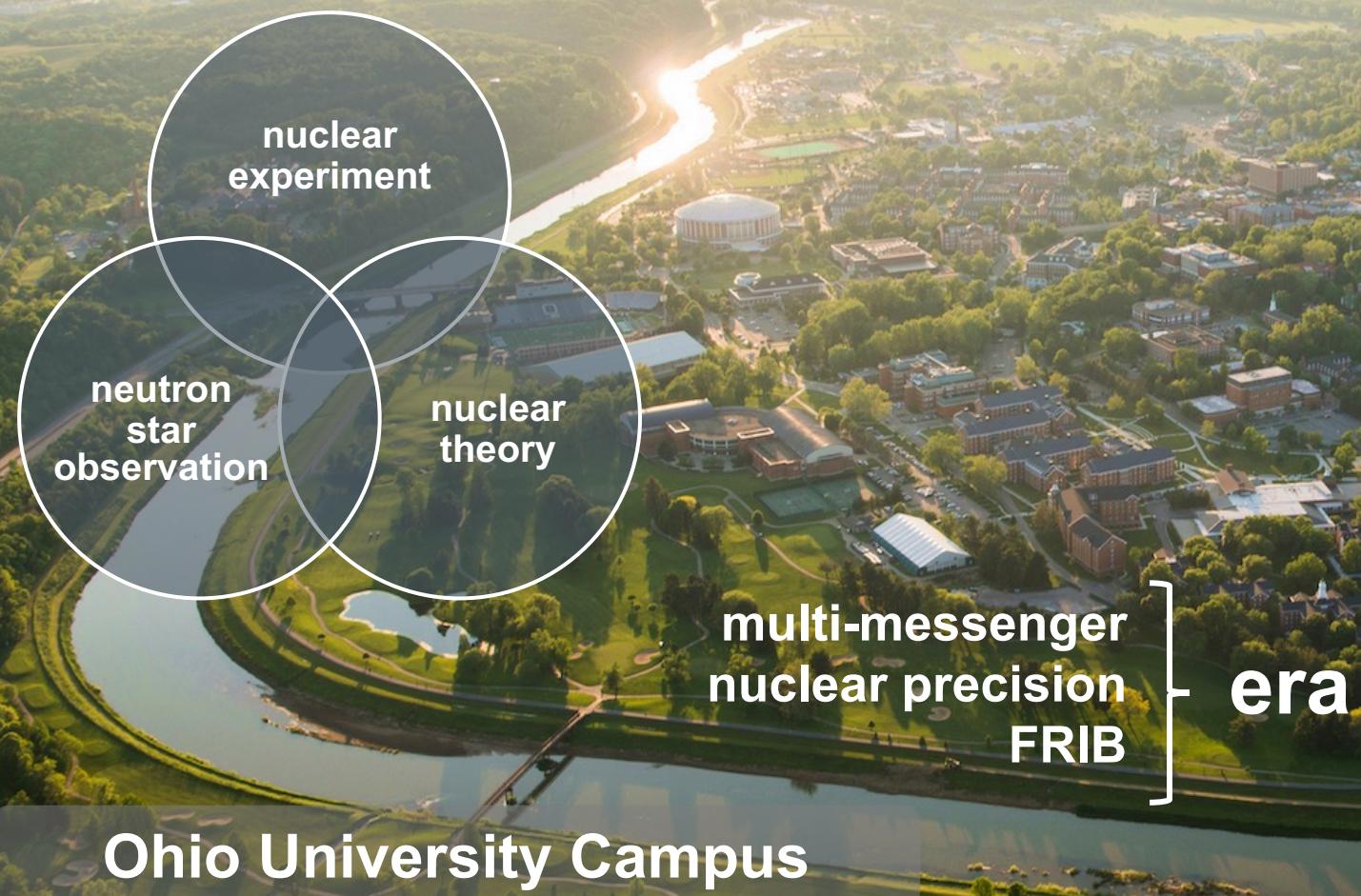
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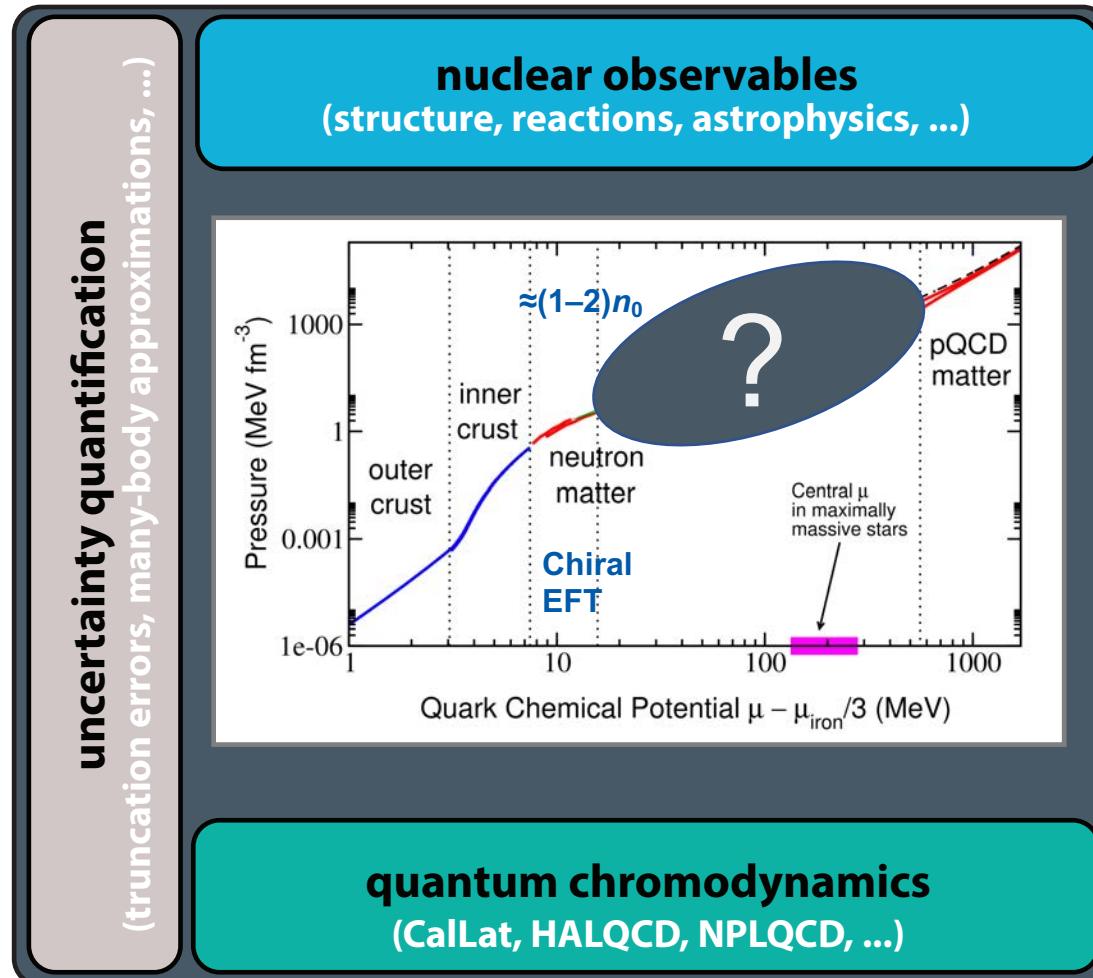
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Keywords:

- chiral effective field theory
- many-body theory
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- fast & accurate emulators

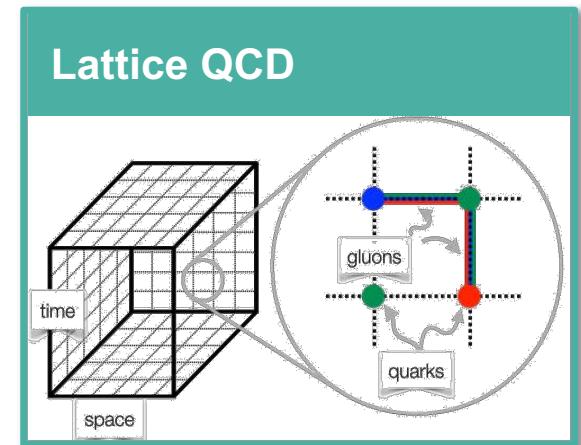
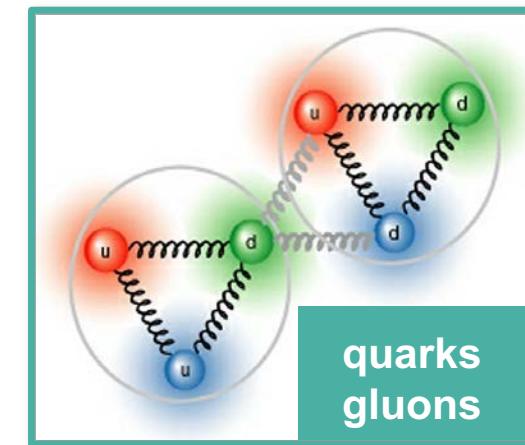
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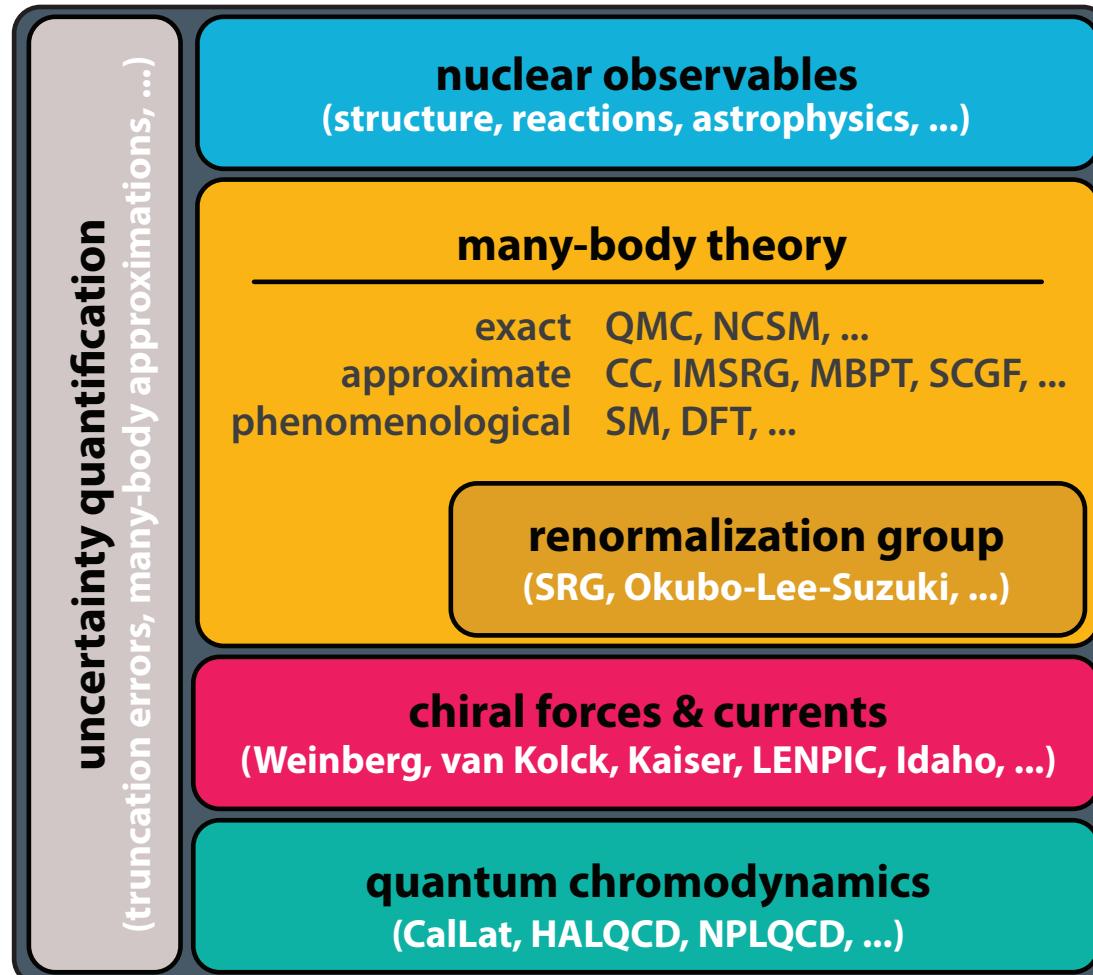
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CD, Haxton, McElvain, Mereghetti *et al.*, PPNP **121**, 103888

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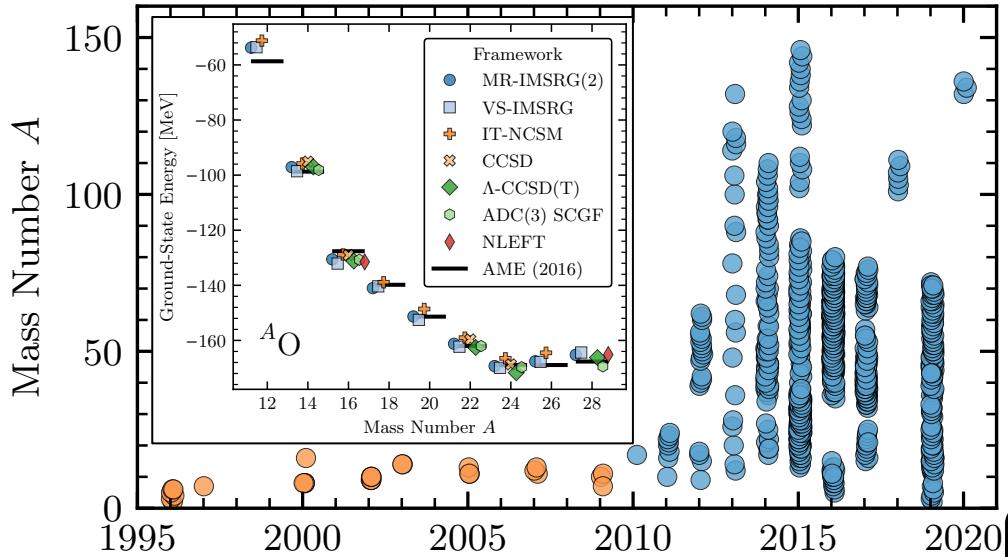
baryon density n
neutron excess δ
temperature T

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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nuclear physics in the *precision era*:
limitations due to NN+3N forces

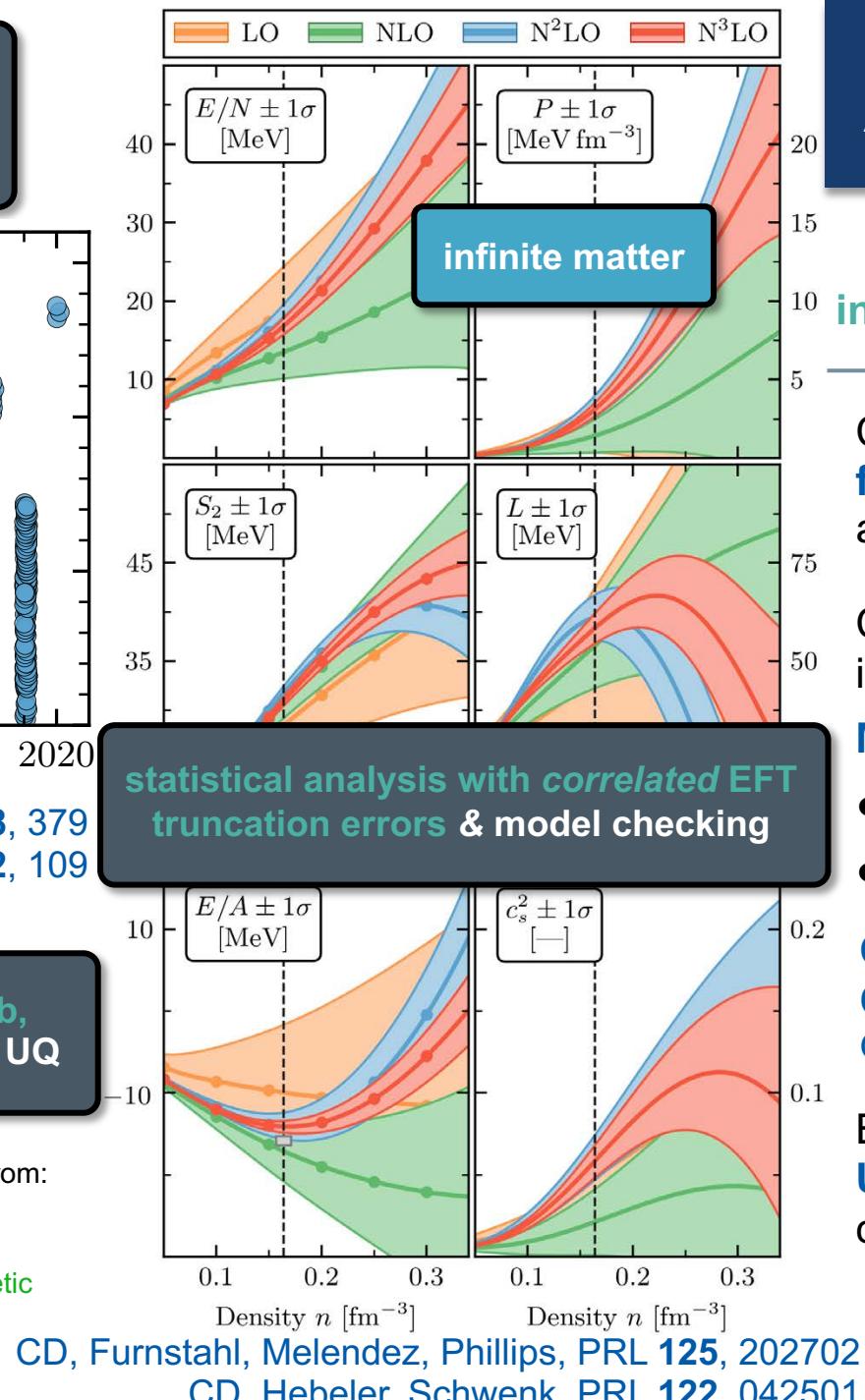
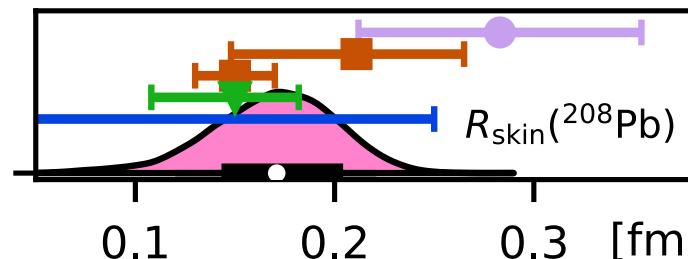


finite nuclei

Hergert, Front. in Phys. **8**, 379
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Hu, Jiang et al.,
Nature Phys. **18**, 1196

first *ab initio* calculation of ^{208}Pb ,
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CD, Holt & Wellenhofer,
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Tremendous progress in CEFT, many-body theory, UQ & HPC

CEFT enables *ab initio* calculations of **finite nuclei** & **nuclear matter** at $T \geq 0$ and arbitrary proton fractions ($n \lesssim 2n_{\text{sat}}$)

Computational & algorithmic advances in *all* many-body frameworks

Many-Body Perturbation Theory

- fully automated | GPU-accelerated
- full N^3LO calculations

Quantum Monte Carlo with local CEFT interactions: Lonardoni, Tews, Gandolfi, Carlson, PRR **2**, 022033(R)

Bayesian statistics allows for **rigorous UQ & propagation** in EFT-based calculations (use emulators!)

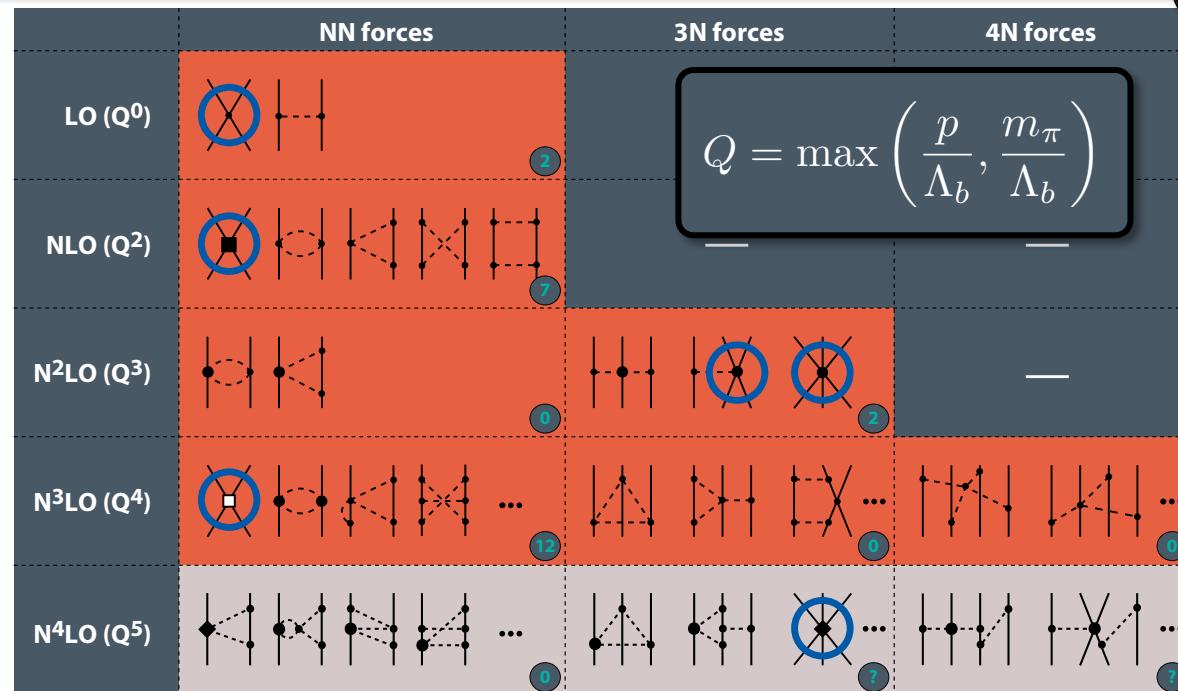
At what density does CEFT break down and why?

Rigorous UQ for nuclear matter



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Chiral Effective Field Theory (nucleons & pions)

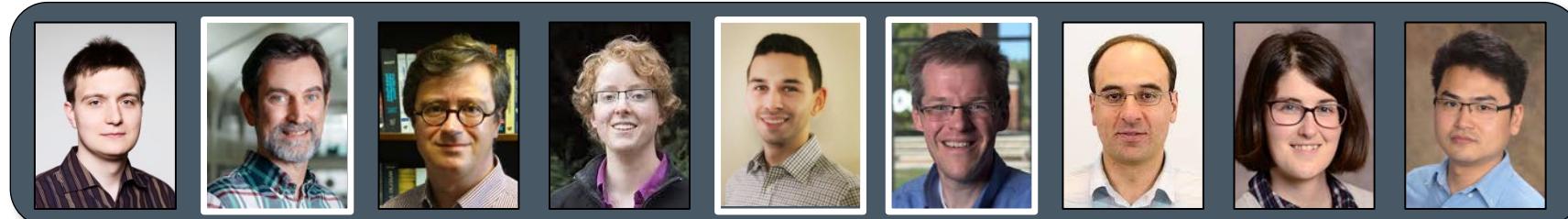
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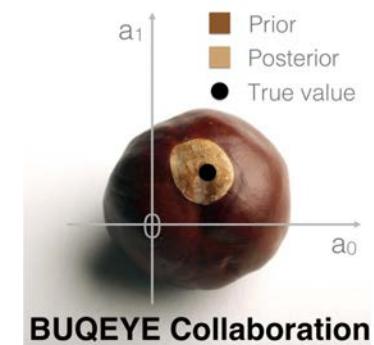
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Weinberg, van Kolck, Kaplan, Savage, Wise, Epelbaum, Kaiser, Krebs, Machleidt, Meißner, ...



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



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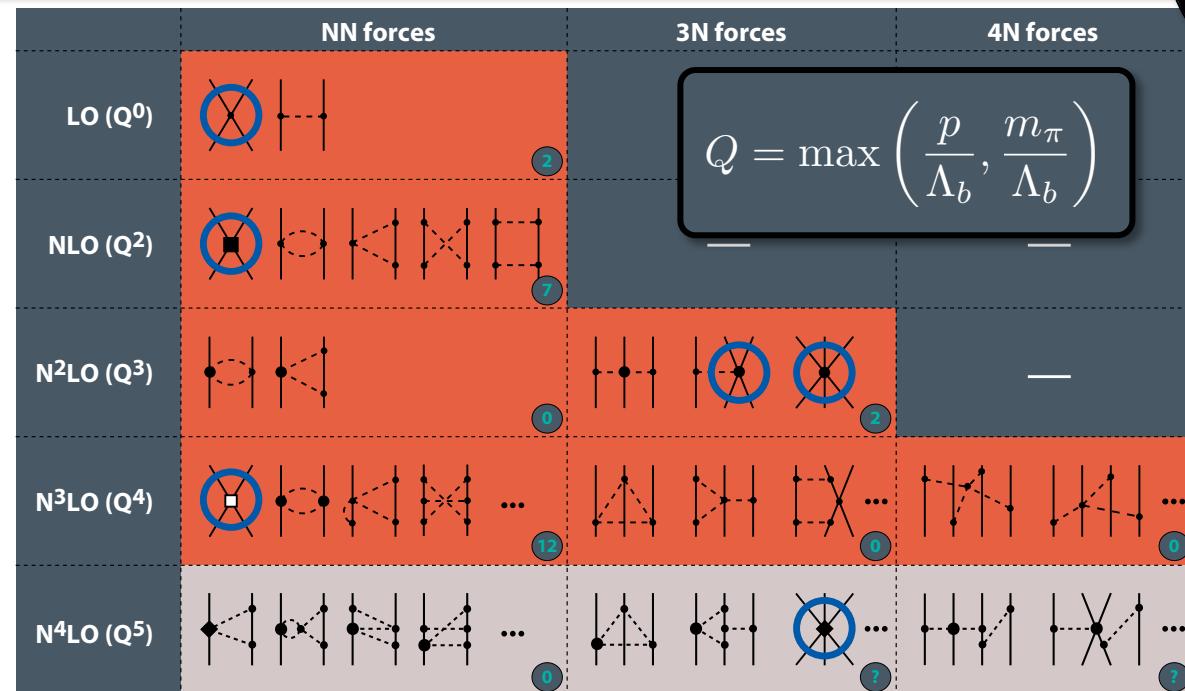
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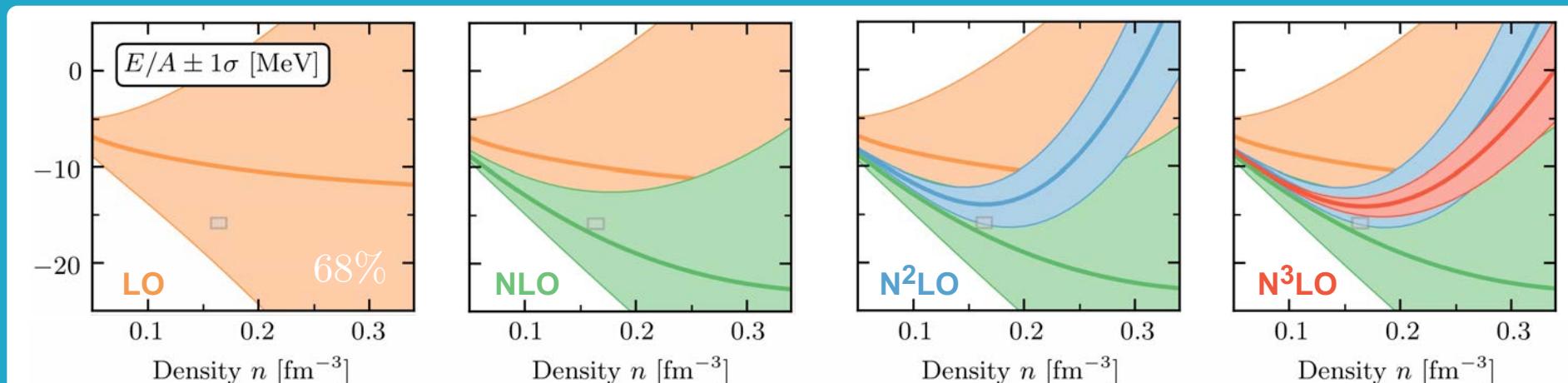
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An example: symmetric matter

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

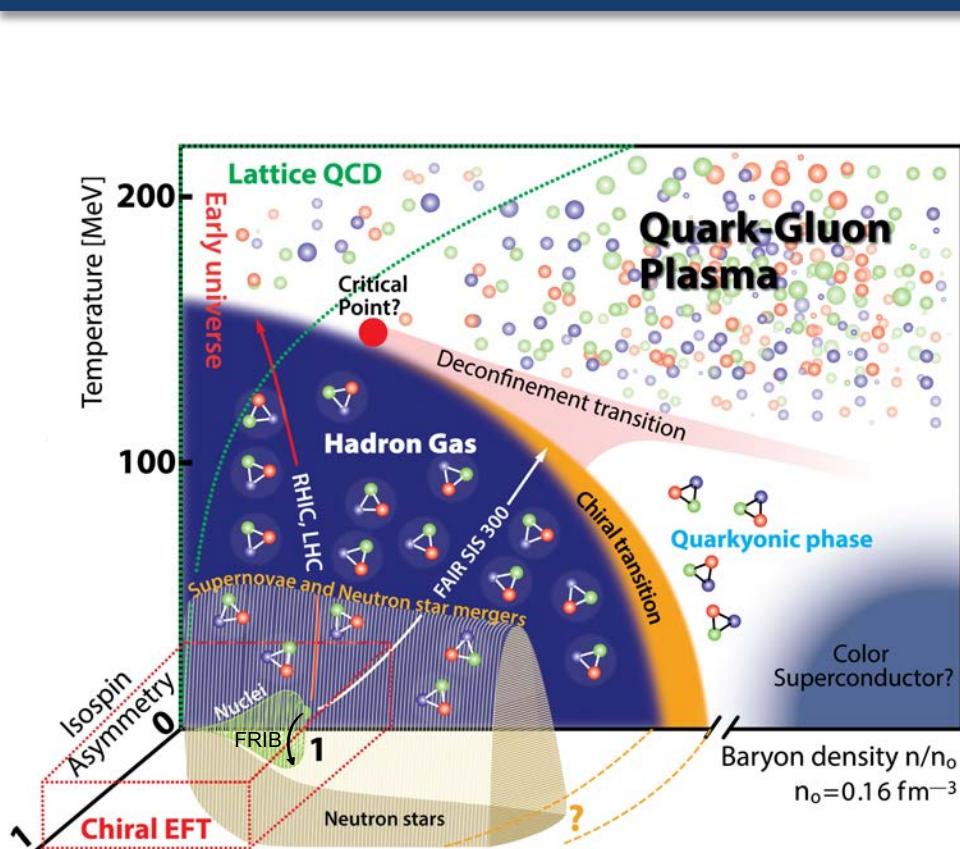
Uncertainty bands depict
68% credibility regions

$$y = y_k + \delta y_k$$



More details? Recent review article

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Chiral Effective Field Theory and the High-Density Nuclear Equation of State

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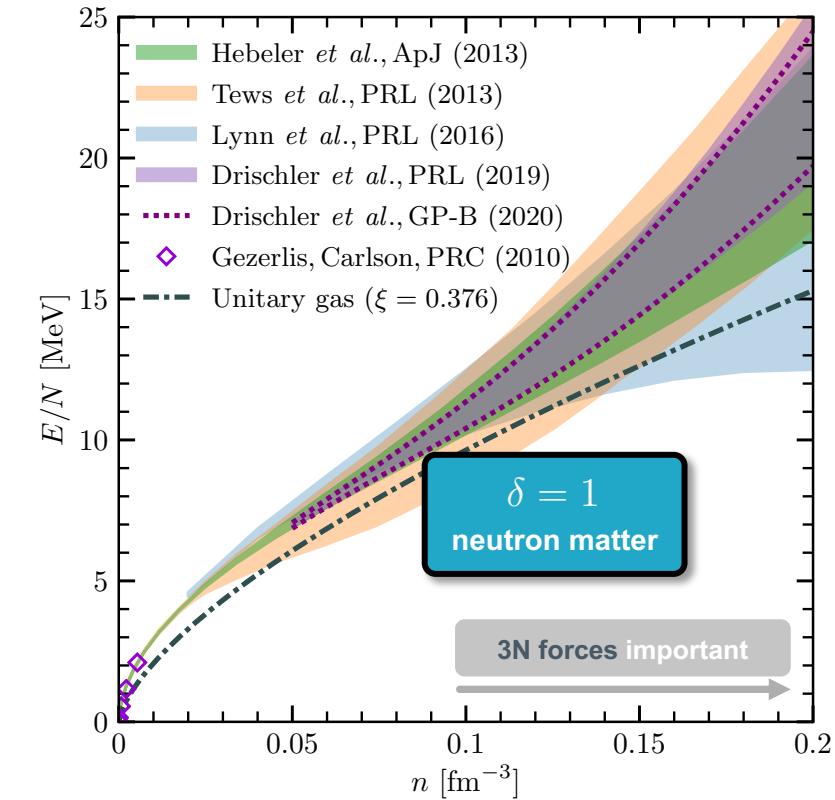
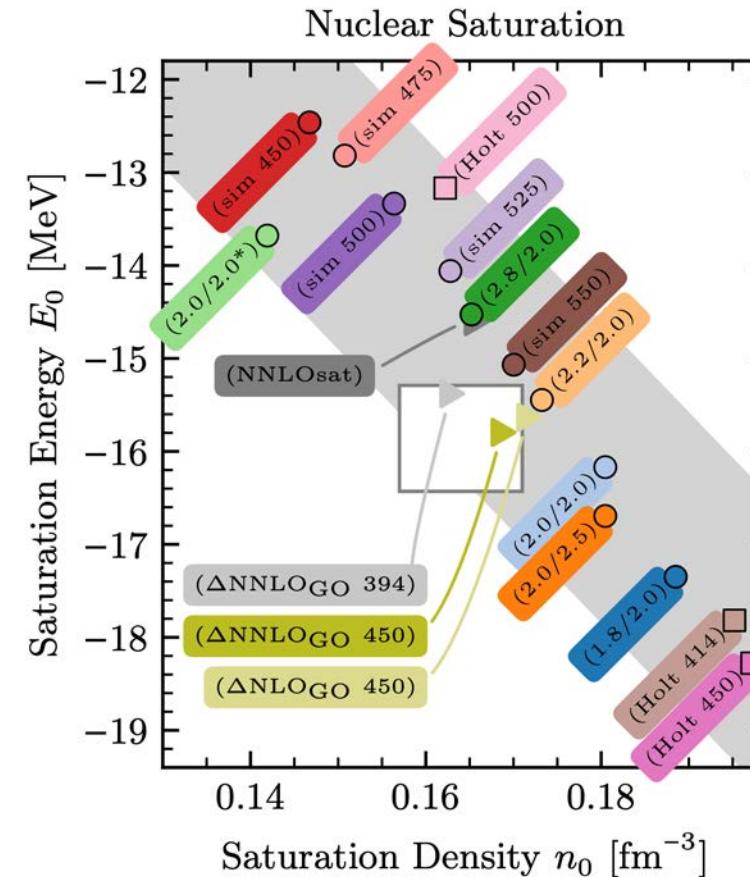
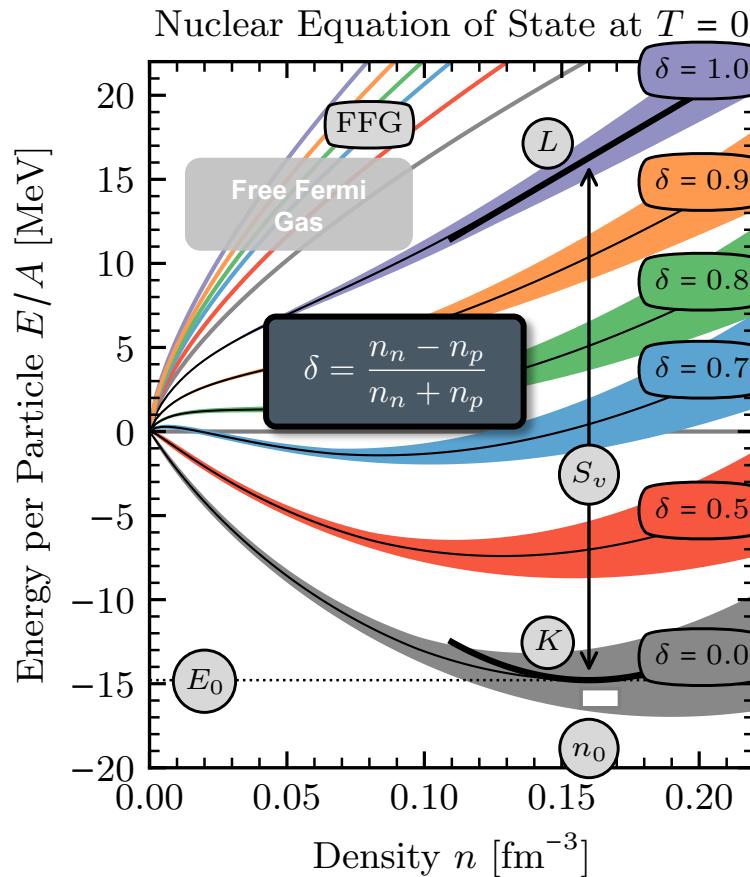
see also in the same journal:

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Neutron matter & symmetric matter



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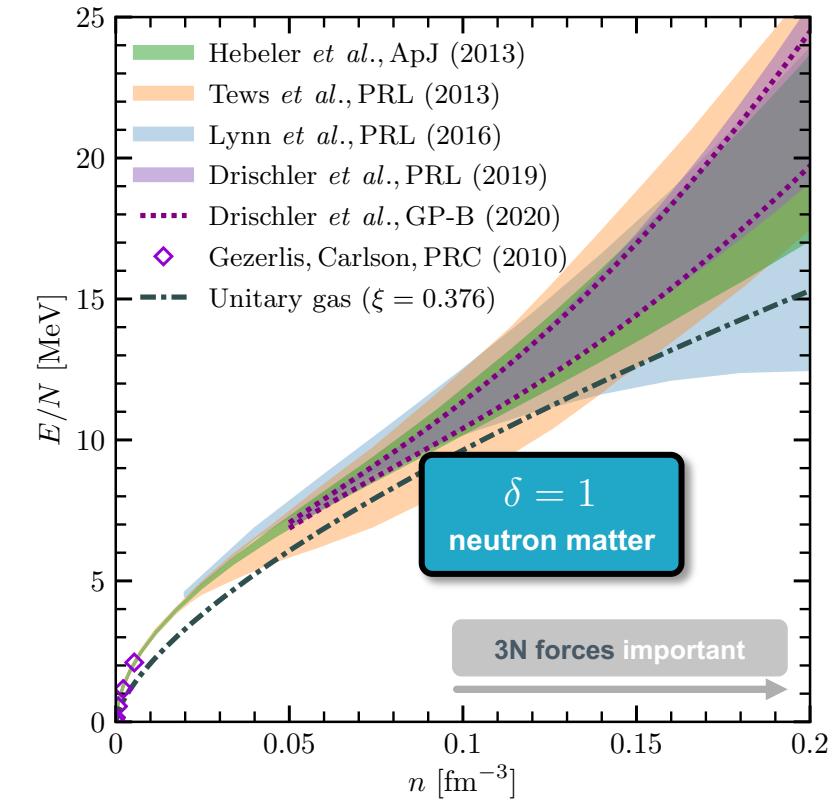
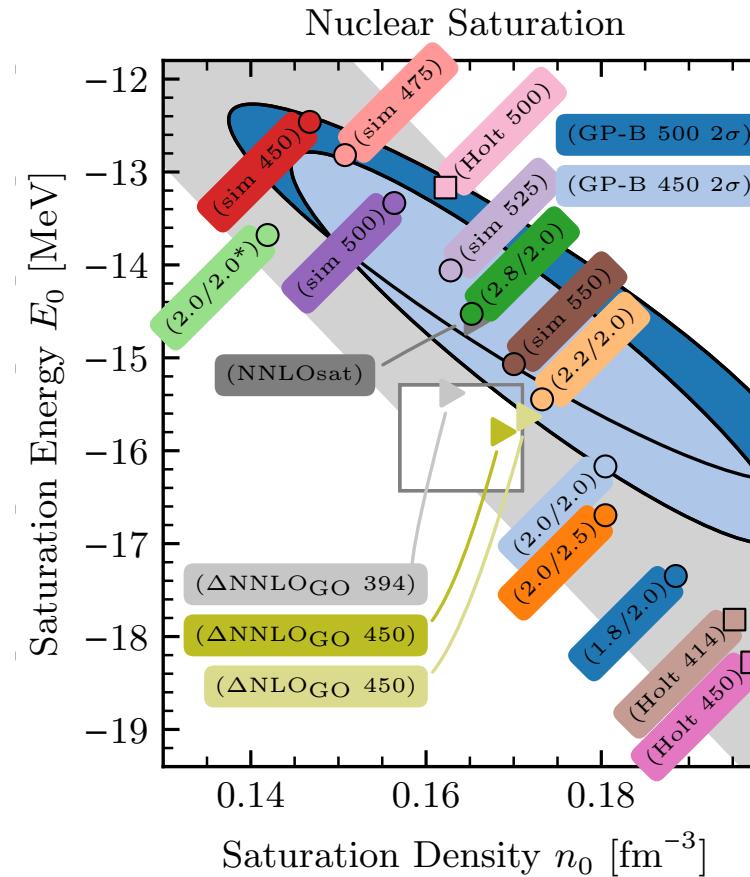
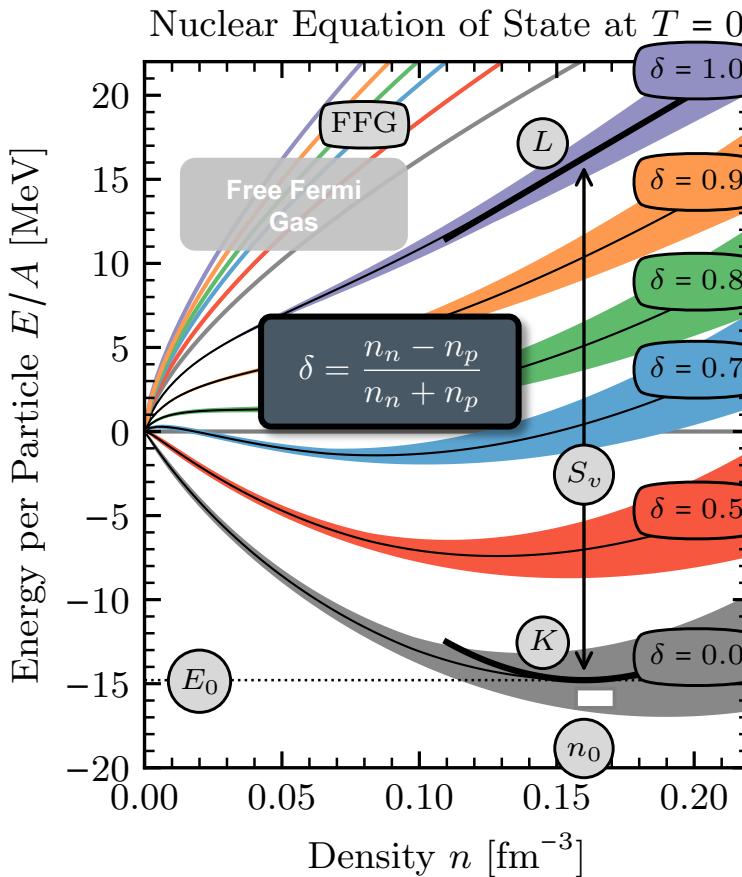
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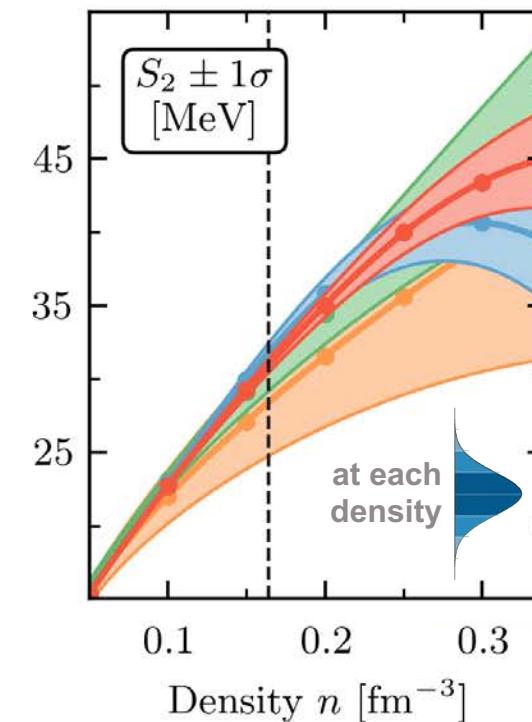
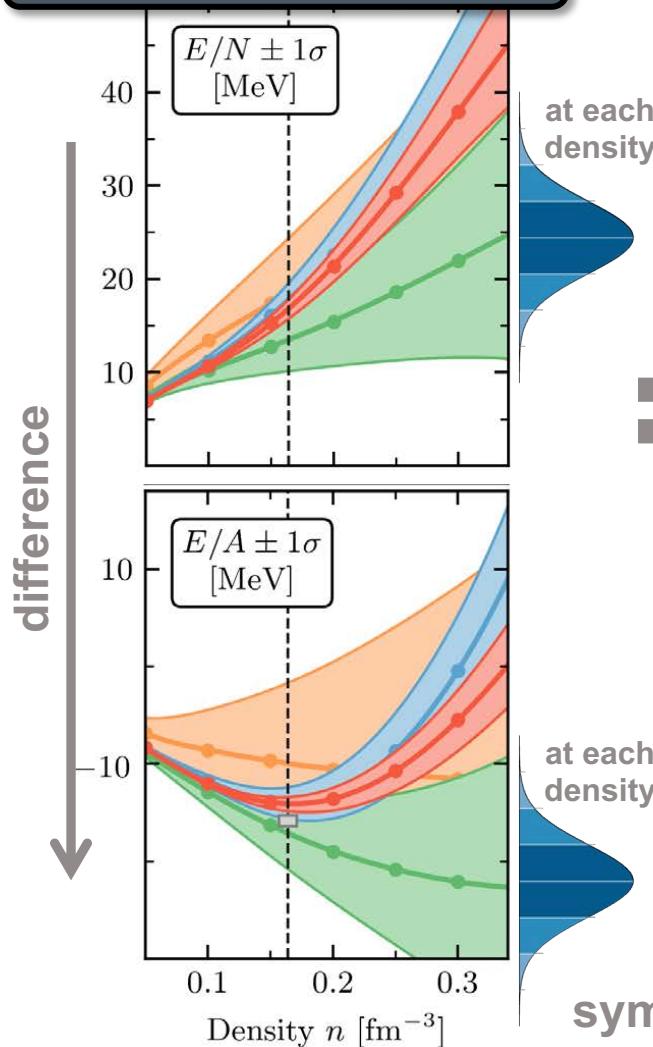
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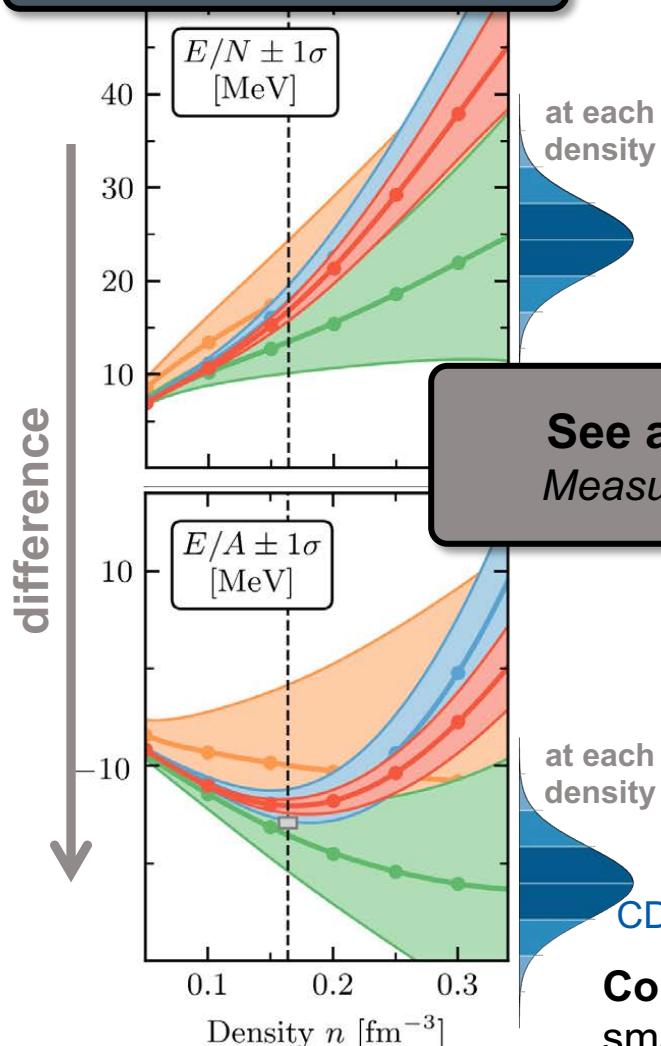
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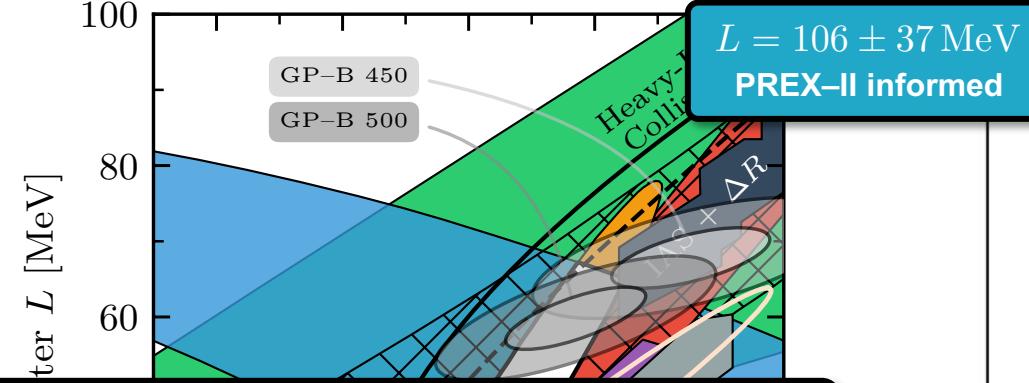
symmetry energy | multi-task GPs

Nuclear symmetry energy (at saturation density)

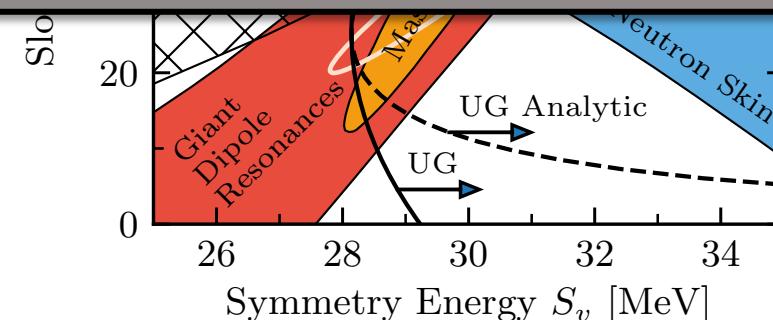
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excellent agreement between various constraints (note: probe different densities)

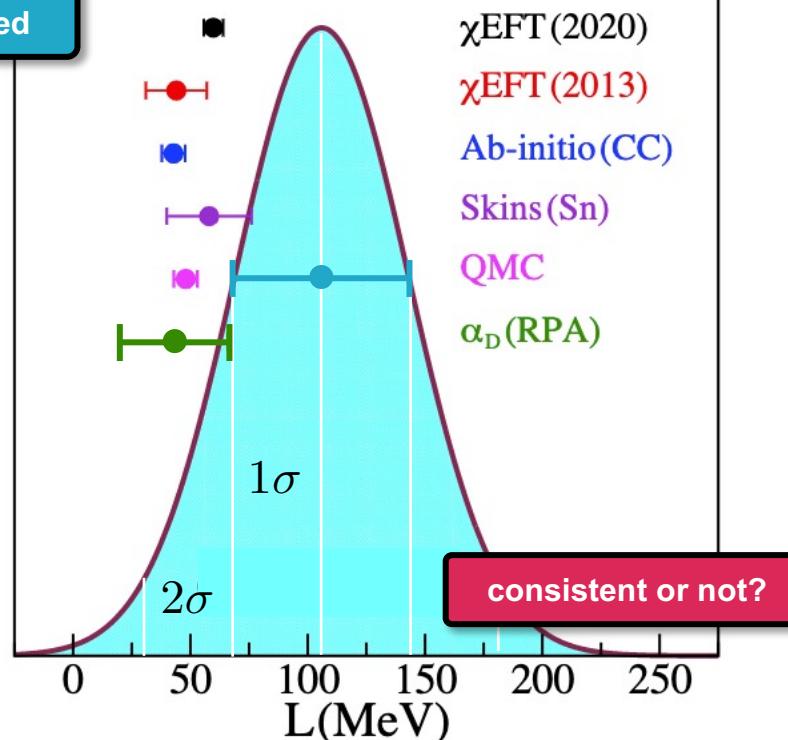


See also Weibin Zhang's talk (Tuesday):
Measurements of neutron skin of ^{208}Pb and ^{48}Ca



Correlations are important: uncertainties can be smaller than one *might* naively think

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



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

Select empirical constraints from DFT (overview)

Empirical saturation box (2016):

- based on 14 (out of 240) functionals that reproduce well selected nuclear properties
- often used to benchmark chiral interactions
- **limited statistical meaning at best**

Significant progress in UQ for DFT:

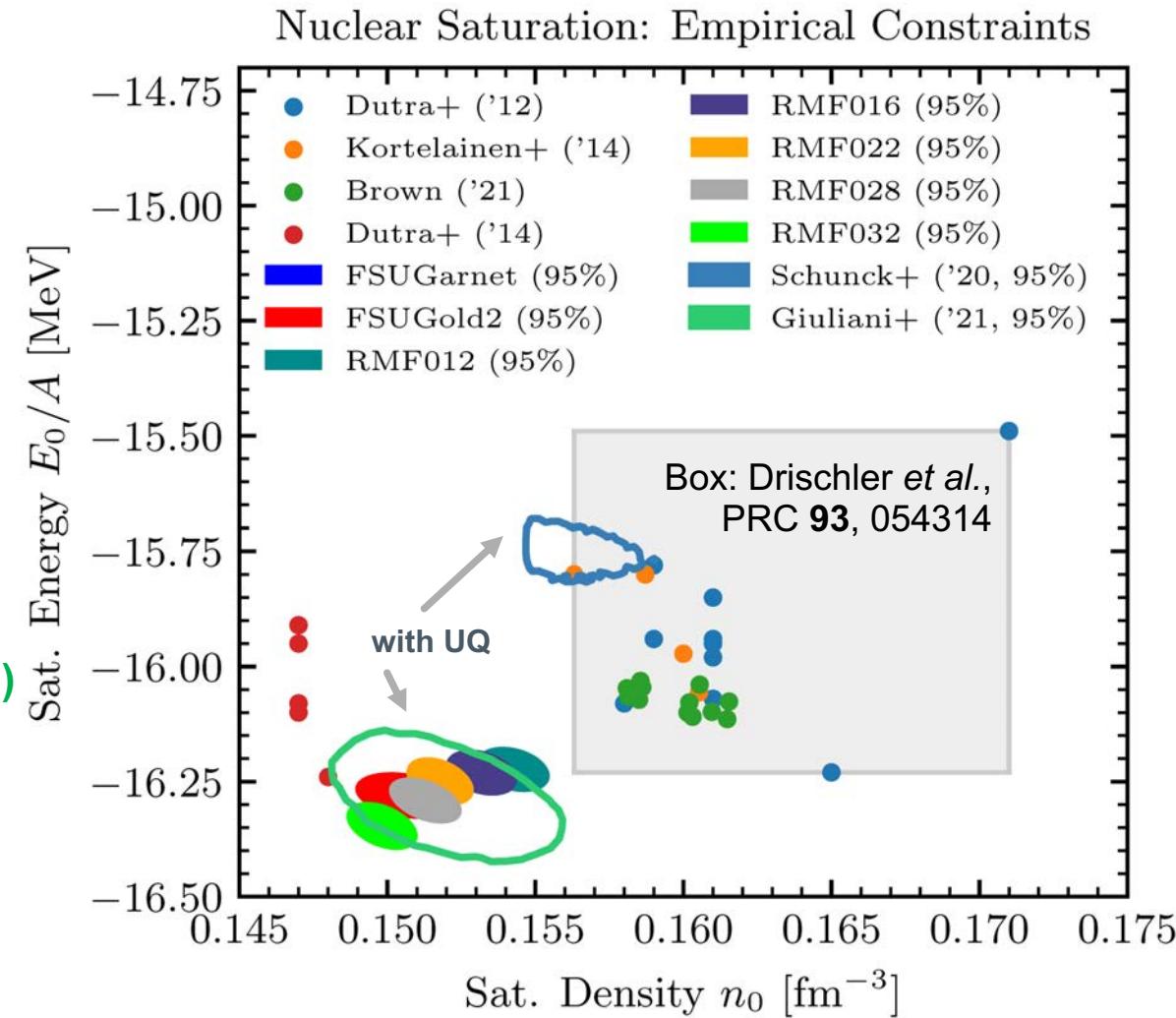
Schunck, O'Neal, Grosskopf, Lawrence, Wild, JPG: NP **47**, 074001
McDonnell, Schunck, Higdon, Sarich, Wild, Nazarewicz, PRL **114**, 122501
Neufcourt, Cao, Nazarewicz, Olsen, Viens, PRL **122**, 062502
Chen & Piekarewicz, PRC **90**, 044305; and more

Recently: UQ driven by projection-based emulators (promising!)

Bonilla, Giuliani, Godbey, Lee, PRC **106**, 054322
Giuliani, Godbey, Bonilla, Viens, Piekarewicz, arXiv:2209.13039

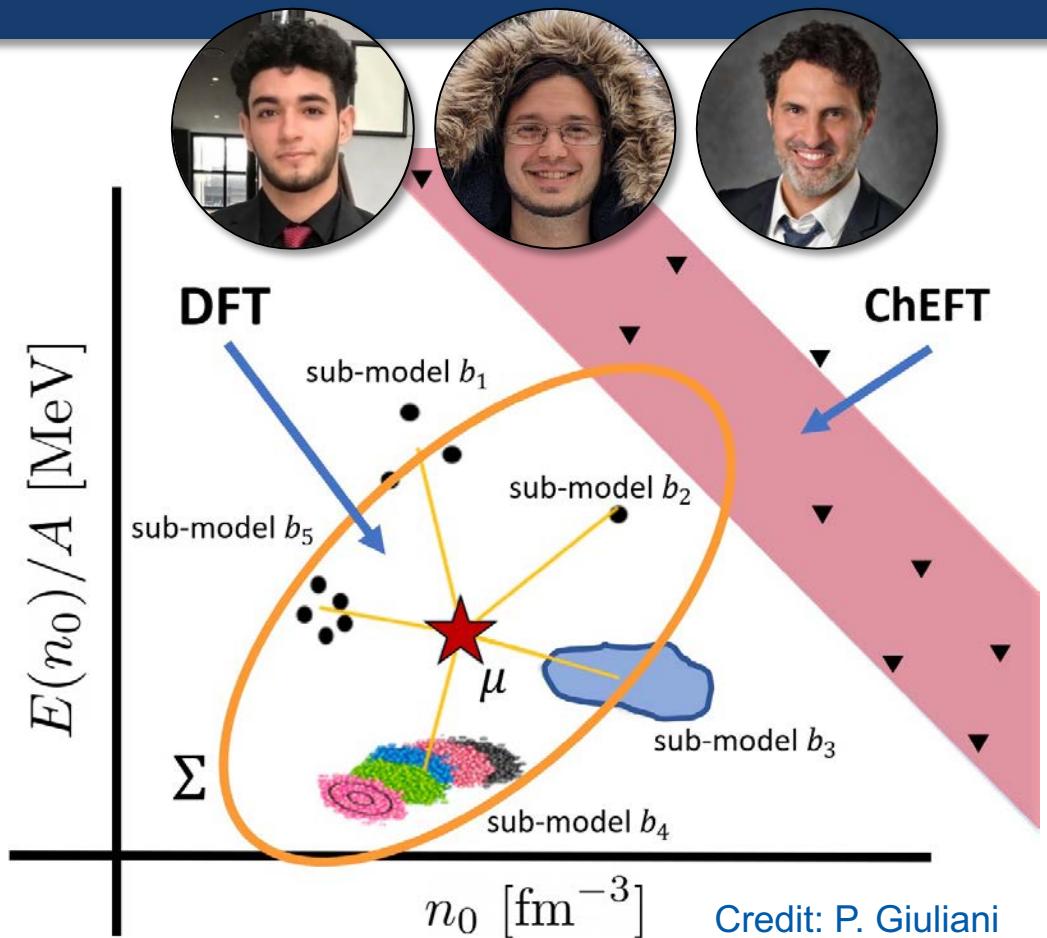
Empirical constraints are *precise* but *not very accurate* (systematic uncertainties are *difficult* to estimate)

Unclear how to use these scattered DFT constraints to benchmark saturation properties of chiral interactions rigorously



Dutra et al., PRC **85**, 035201
Kortelainen et al., PRC **89**, 054314
Brown & Schwenk, PRC C **89**, 011307

Bayesian inference: empirical saturation point



Model assumption: DFT samples are random draws from a bivariate normal distribution with *unknown* mean vector μ and covariance matrix Σ

$$\gg \mathbf{y}^* = [n_0, E(n_0)/A] \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$$

Bayes' theorem

$$P(\mu, \Sigma | \mathcal{D}) \propto P(\mathcal{D} | \mu, \Sigma) P(\mu, \Sigma)$$

posterior likelihood prior

prior

$$P(\mu, \Sigma) = \text{NIW}_{\nu_0}(\mu, \Sigma)$$

$$\mu | \mu_0, \kappa, \Sigma \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu | \mu_0, \frac{1}{\kappa} \Sigma\right)$$

$$\Sigma | \Psi, \nu \sim \mathcal{W}^{-1}(\Sigma | \Psi, \nu)$$

likelihood

$$P(\mathcal{D} | \mu, \Sigma) \propto |\Sigma|^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{y}_i - \mu) \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{y}_i - \mu)\right]$$

posterior

same as the **conjugate prior** but with updated hyperparameters (analytic expression)

posterior predictive (marginalization)

$$P(\mathbf{y}^* | \mathcal{D}) \propto \int d\mu d\Sigma P(\mathbf{y}^* | \mu, \Sigma) P(\mu, \Sigma | \mathcal{D})$$

model posterior

(evaluates to a **bivariate t-distribution**)

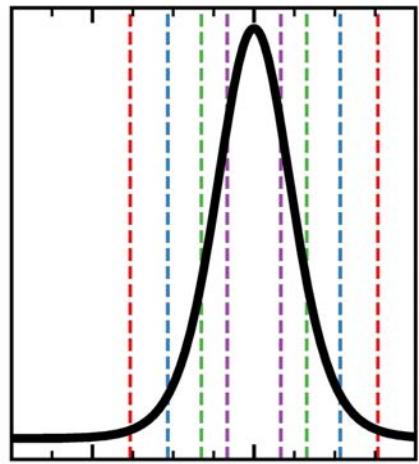
Analysis: Saturation Box (2016)

(preliminary)



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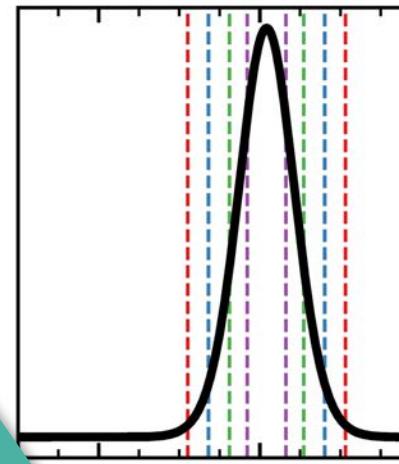
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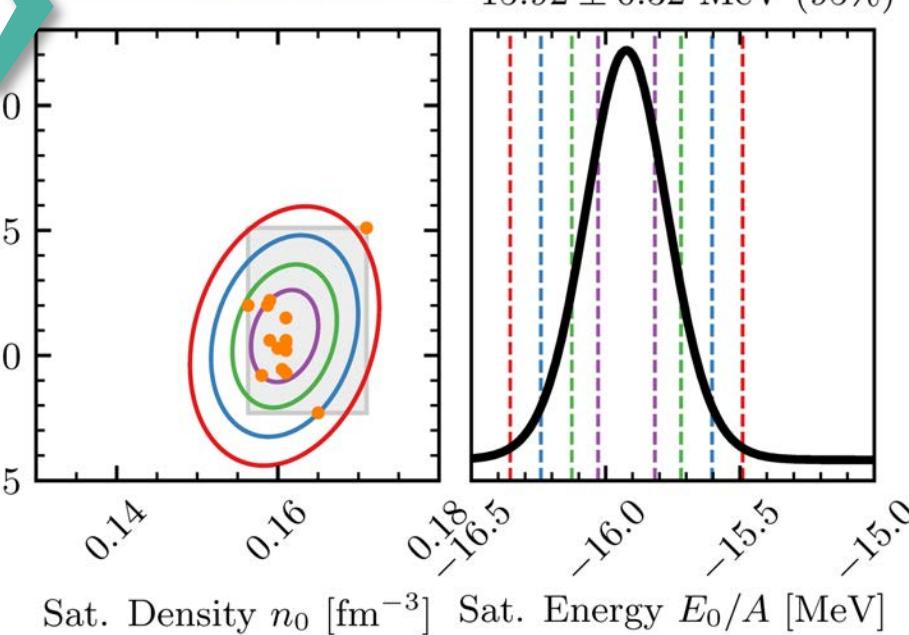
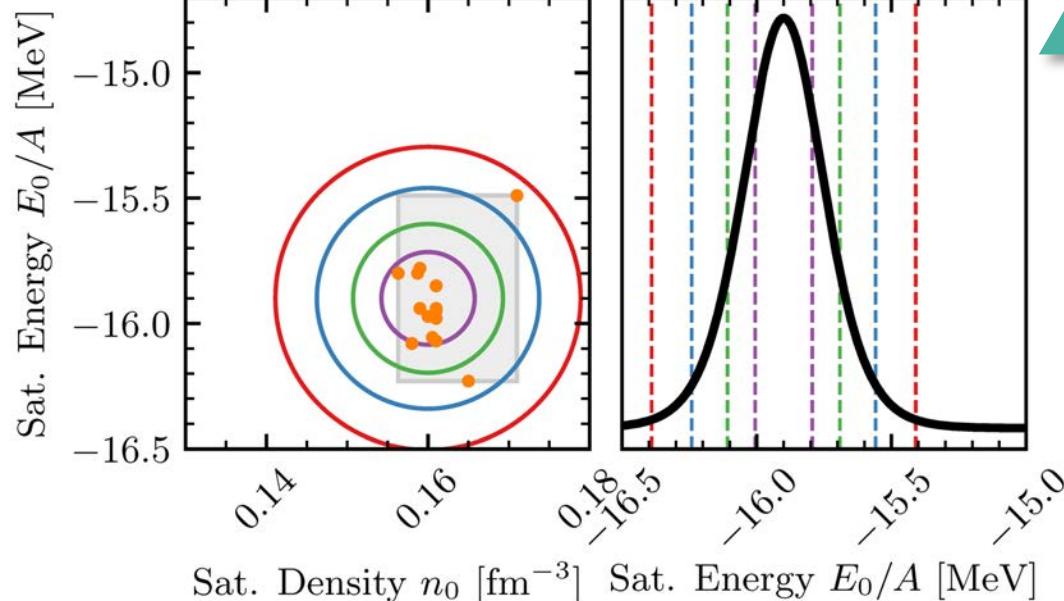
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Open-source
Jupyter notebooks
& tutorials will be
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and use the results

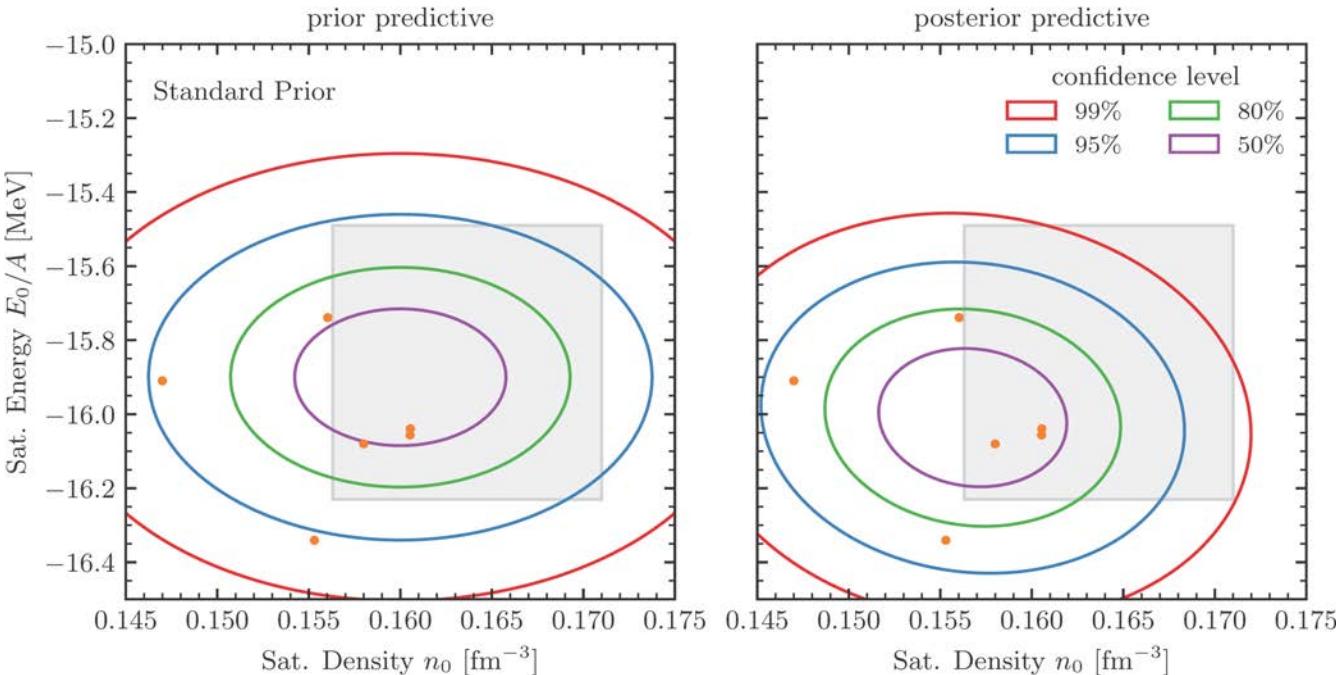
Analytic calculations
due to conjugacy

predictives & marginals
are t-distributions

Can easily investigate
the prior sensitivity

All DFT constraint: joint MC analysis (preliminary)

Strategy: treat data sets as empirical distributions and Monte Carlo sample from each DFT distribution ...

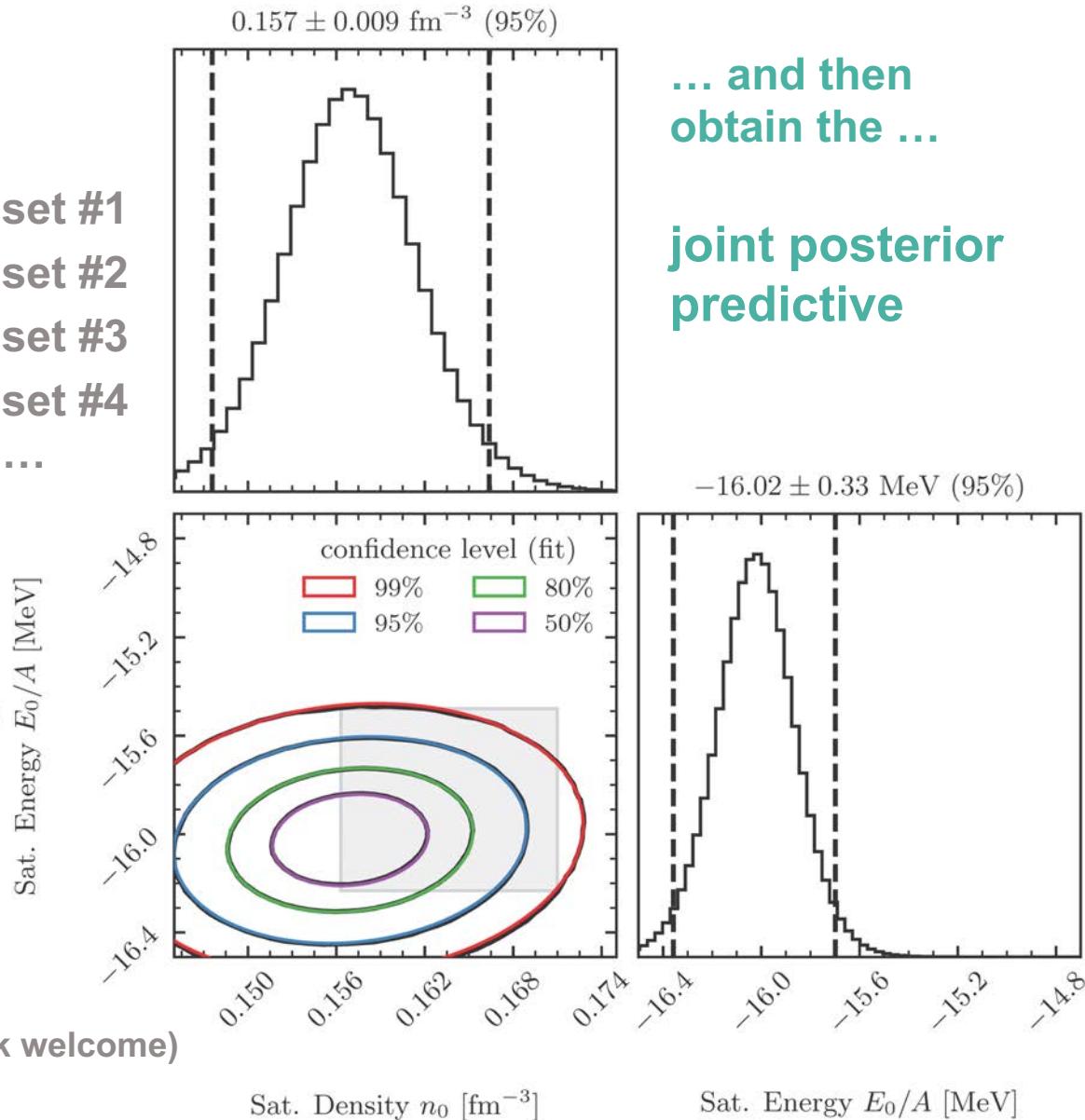


Joint DFT constraint is *consistent* with the widely used box estimate (95% C.L.) but shifted toward lower (n_0 , E_0/A)

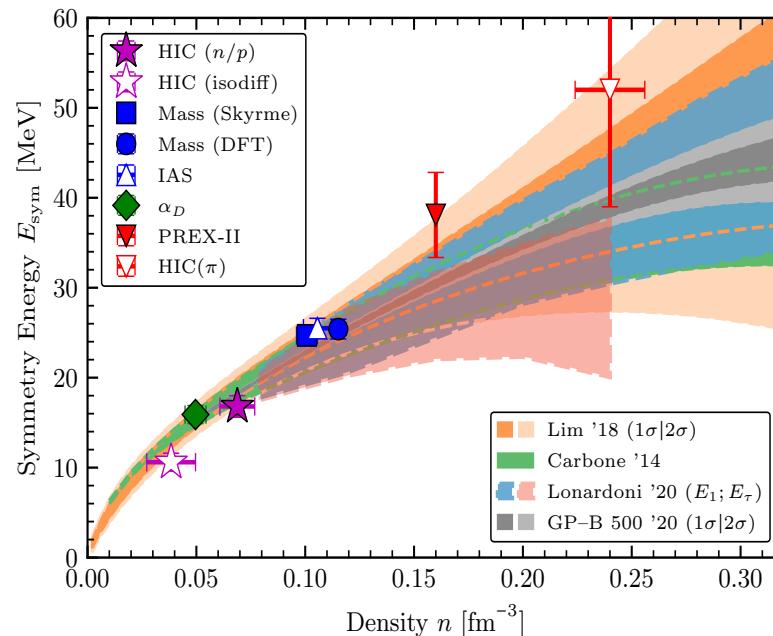
What other constraints should we consider?
What is our prior knowledge of saturation?



(feedback welcome)



Exploring the limits of chiral EFT



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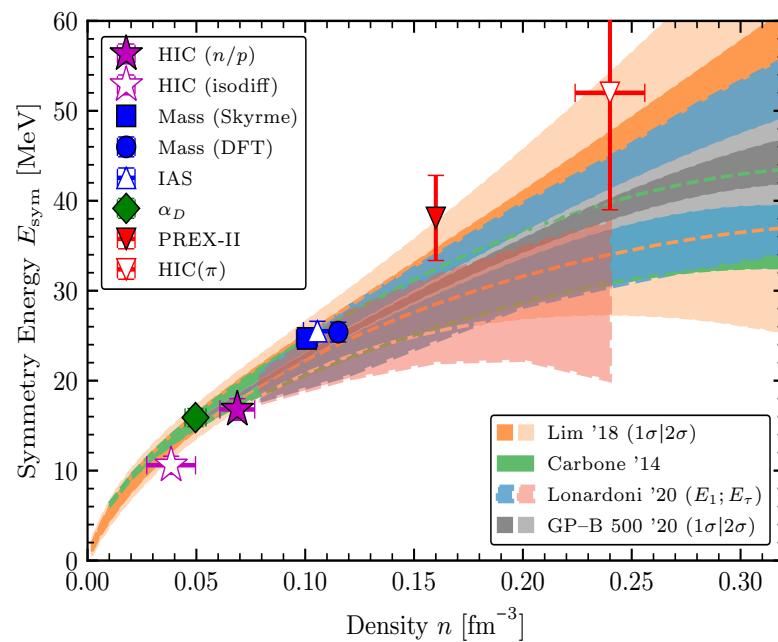
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See also Betty Tsang's talk (tomorrow)
Nuclear structure constraints on EOS

See also Bill Lynch's talk (Thursday)
The role of Nuclear structure in reaction experiments

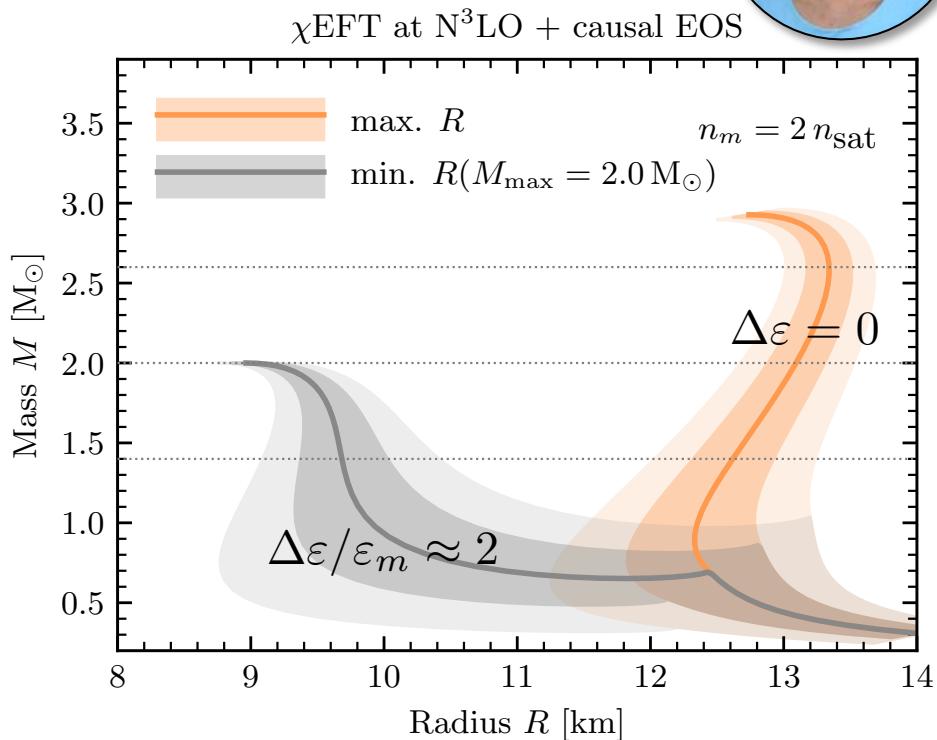
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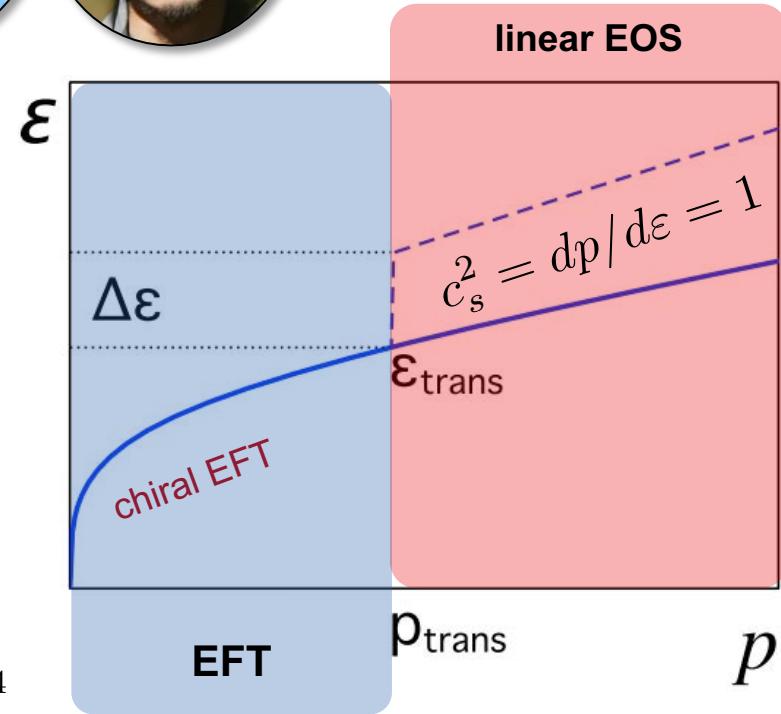


CD, Han, Lattimer *et al.*, PRC **103**, 045808
CD, Han, and Reddy, PRC **105**, 035808

derived **bounds on the neutron star radius** (and sound speed) assuming chiral EFT is valid up to a given critical density (here: $2n_0$) could already be challenged by NICER

$$R_{2.0} = (11.4 - 16.1) \text{ km}$$

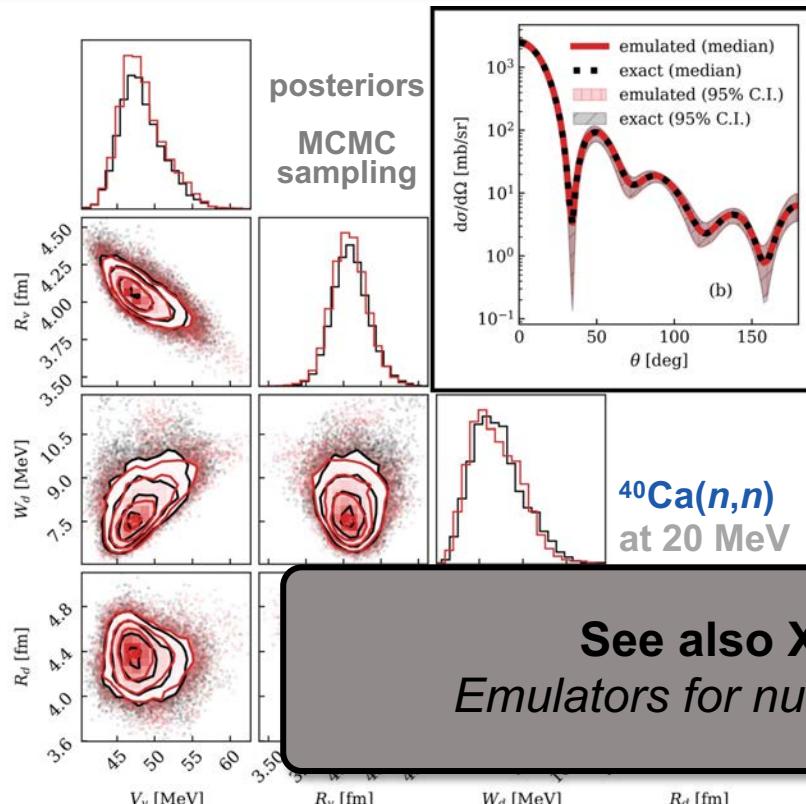
Riley *et al.*, AJL **918**, L27
Miller *et al.*, AJL **918**, L28



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

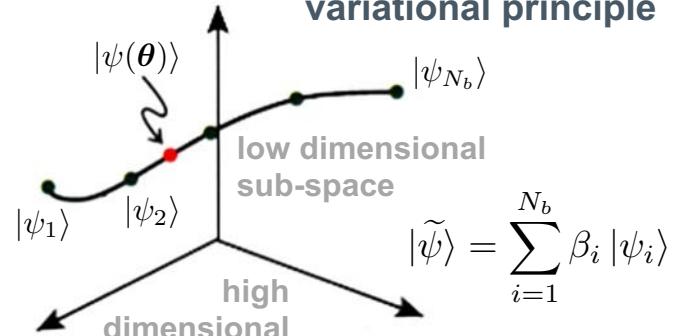
extend EFT EOS at n_m to linear EoS with finite discontinuity (softening)
continuous match sets upper bound
use **lower limit on M_{\max}** from observation to adjust $\Delta\epsilon$ and constrain R_{\min}

Emulators: mining scattering & reaction data

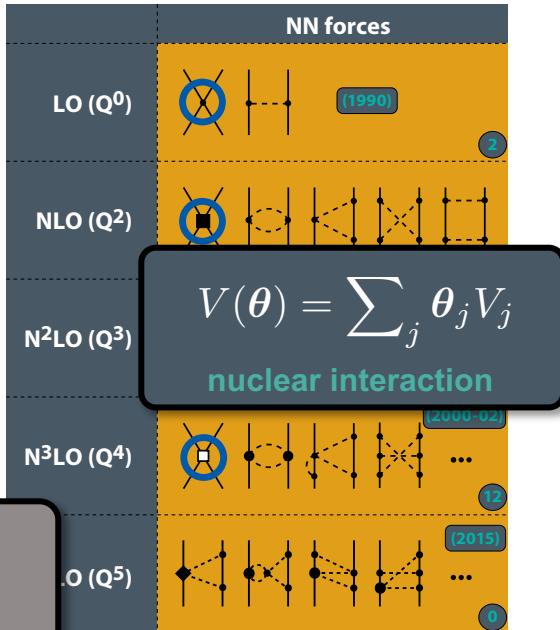


CD, Quinonez et al., PLB 823, 136777

Basis idea of
Reduced Basis Methods:
variational principle



See also Xilin Zhang's talk (next talk)
Emulators for nuclear physics across energy scales



Furnstahl, Garcia et al., PLB 809, 135719 (Kohn VP)

Melendez, CD et al., PLB 821, 136608 (Newton VP)

Garcia, CD et al., arXiv:2301.05093 (KVP: coupled channels)

Kohn VP: spurious singularities can be mitigated

Proof of principle: fast & accurate emulation of scattering observables for parameter estimation

Goal: improving next-generation optical models & chiral interactions in the FRIB era

Construct **reduced-order models** by removing superfluous information in high-fidelity models

Emulators enable applications *thought* to be prohibitively slow

For bound-state emulators, see Frame et al., PRL 121, 032501;
König, Ekström et al., PLB 810, 135814; Ekström & Hagen, PRL 123, 252501, and more

Model (Order) Reduction for nuclear emulators

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Emulators (surrogate models)

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



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

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Many pointers to the **model reduction literature** (“Guide”): *J. Phys. G* **49**, 102001 (2022)

The field of model order reduction (MOR) is growing in importance due to its ability to extract the key insights from complex simulations while discarding computationally burdensome and superfluous information. We provide an overview of MOR methods for the creation of fast & accurate emulators of memory- and compute-intensive nuclear systems. As an example, we describe how “eigenvector continuation” is a special case of a much more general and well-studied MOR formalism for parameterized systems. We continue with an introduction to the Ritz and Galerkin projection methods that underpin many such emulators, while pointing to the relevant MOR theory and its successful applications along the way. We believe that this will open the door to broader applications in nuclear physics and facilitate communication with practitioners in other fields.



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BUQEYE Guide to Projection-Based Emulators in Nuclear Physics

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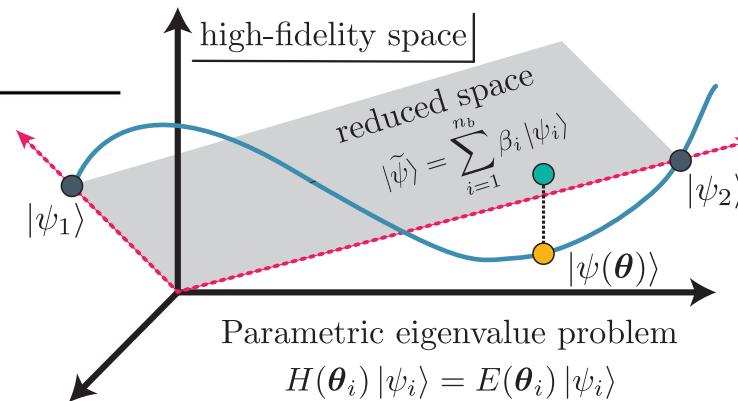
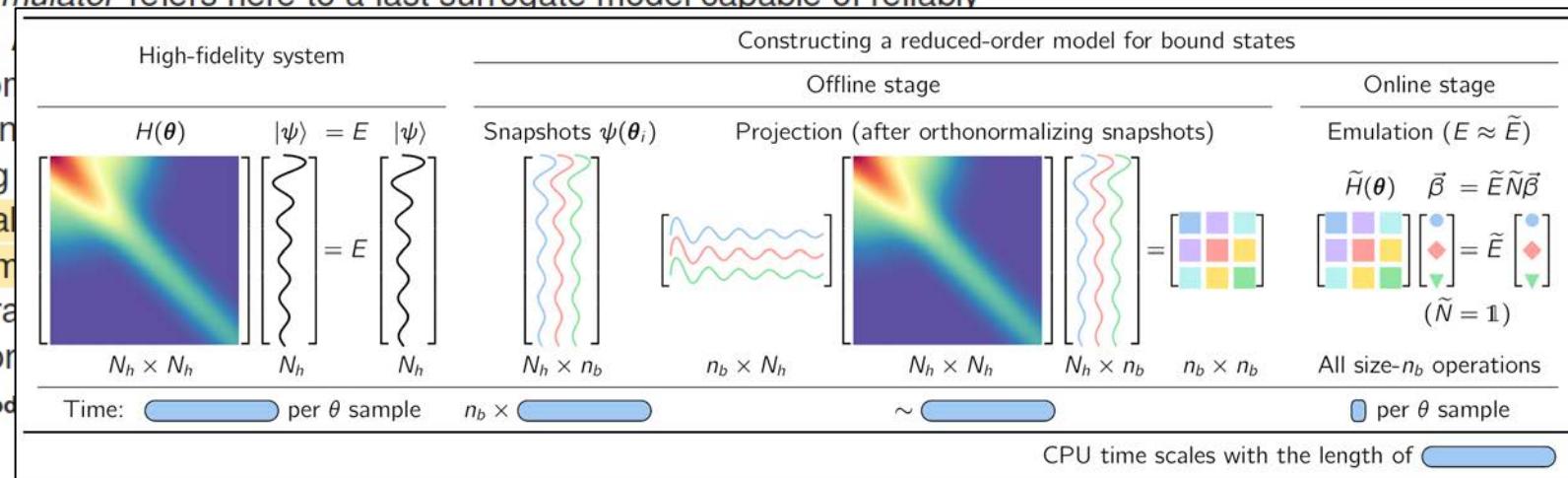
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ABSTRACT

The BUQEYE collaboration (Bayesian Uncertainty Quantification: Errors in Your EFT) presents a pedagogical introduction to projection-based, reduced-order emulators for applications in low-energy nuclear physics. The term *emulator* refers here to a fast surrogate model capable of reliably approximating high-fidelity models.

well-known in the nuclear physics community emphasize the benefits of offline-online emulators for bound and scattering calculations for different model parameter sets. We also present a guide for nuclear physics, guided by the main concepts here and more are available as interactive notebooks to adapt projection-based emulators for

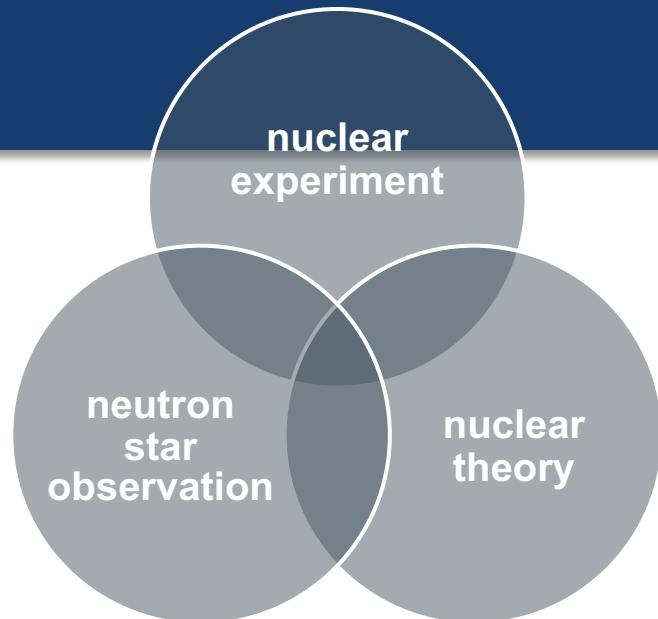
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Take-away points

multi-messenger
nuclear precision
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unique opportunity to obtain a fundamental understanding of strongly interacting matter, with great potential for discoveries

- 1 Chiral EFT enables *ab initio* calculations of finite nuclei & nuclear matter at $T \geq 0$ & arbitrary proton fractions ($n \lesssim 2n_{\text{sat}}$). **Where does it break down and why?**
- 2 Bayesian statistics allows for rigorous UQ & propagation in EFT-based calculations (in many cases facilitated by new emulators!)
- 3 Need for improved constraints of the nuclear matter EOS in the density regime $1 \lesssim n/n_{\text{sat}} \lesssim 2$. Many advances can be expected across multiple disciplines.
- 4 Our preliminary analysis suggests for the empirical saturation point: $n_0 \approx 0.157 \pm 0.009 \text{ fm}^{-3}$, with $E_0/A \approx -16.02 \pm 0.33 \text{ MeV}$ (95%, correlated!)

