Neutron stars and the properties of matter under extreme conditions:

quarks in the interior

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The plots shown below characterize the sensitivity and status of each of the LIGO interferometers as well as the Virgo (http://www.virgo-gw.eu/) detector in Cascina, Italy and the GEO600 (http://www.geo600.org) detector in Hanover, Germany.

For more information about the plots listed below, click on an image to read the caption. Use the tabs in the navigatior bar at the top of the screen for more detailed information about the LIGO, Virgo, and GEO interferometers.



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https://gracedb.ligo.org/ Gravitational Wave Candidate Event Data Base

https://www.gw-openscience.org/detector_status/day/20190507/



Neutron star interior

Mass ~ 1.4-2+ M_{sun} Radius ~ 10-12 km Temperature ~ 10⁶-10⁹ K

Surface gravity ~10¹¹ that of Earth Surface binding ~ 1/10 mc²





Quarks in dense matter

The early universe before one microsecond after the big bang -- hot quark gluon plasma





Quarks (and gluons) in nuclei, mapped by future Electron-Ion Collider



The cores of quiescent neutron stars – cold quark matter

Ultrarelativistic heavy ion collisions –

hot quark gluon plasma



Higher densities: cold quark matter

Fundamental limitations of eq. of state based on NN interactions alone

Accurate for $n \sim n_0$. But for $n >> n_0$:

-can forces be described with static few-body potentials?

-Force range ~ $1/2m_{\pi} =$ relative importance of 3 (and higher) body forces ~ $n/(2m_{\pi})^3 \sim 0.4n_{\text{fm}-3}$.

-No well defined expansion in terms of 2,3,4,...body forces.

-Can one even describe system in terms of well-defined ``asymptotic" laboratory particles? Early percolation of nucleonic volumes! Wrong degrees of freedom!!

Strongly interacting system, but cannot do numerical simulations at zero temperature, finite density via lattice QCD calculations, owing to the fermion sign problem. Equation of state based on NN interactions alone yields nice looking models, but with faulty input physics Wrong degrees of freedom at high density

That it works does not make it right!

Cancelling the six's $\frac{16}{64} = \frac{10}{60} = \frac{10}{60}$ $\frac{18}{85} = \frac{18}{85} \simeq$ $\frac{19}{95} = \frac{19}{95} = \frac{1}{5}$

 $\frac{1}{5}$

New degrees of freedom at higher densities

Squeeze:





Atoms -> plasma



Nuclei -> nuclear matter



Hadrons (n,p,...) -> quark matter



Given all information on Nb+Nb atomic scattering could one predict that metallic Nb is a superconductor?

Quarks, rather than hadrons, become the correct degrees of freedom at higher densities



Existence of quarks was (my mistake) approached by looking for a (first order) phase transition between hadronic matter and quark matter. This process, by its very construction eliminates the possibility a stiff quark matter equation of state that could permit two-solar-mass neutron stars to exist.

Three neutron stars in binary orbits with white dwarfs: PSR J1614-2230 : $M_{neutron star} = 1.93 \pm 0.02M_{\odot}$ PSR J0348+0432: $M_{neutron star} = 2.01 \pm 0.04M_{\odot}$ PSR J0740+6620 : $M_{neutron star} = 2.17 \pm 0.1M_{\odot}$ These require a very stiff equation of state!

How can quark matter give stiff eq. of state, to explain large masses?

Earliest phase diagram



Fig. 1. Schematic phase diagram of hadronic matter. ρ_B is the density of baryonic number. Quarks are confined in phase I and unconfined in phase II.

"Quark liberation" from Phase I to Phase II



Arrival of the Asakawa-Yazaki critical point



Note that the baryon chemical potential repaces the baryon density

Modern phase diagram



Crossover at zero net density: see no evidence of phase transition in pressure, entropy, or energy density.



Wuppertal-Budapest lattice collaboration WB: S. Borsanyi et al., PLB (2014) HotQCD: A. Bazavov et al., PRD (2014)

Lattice gauge theory not yet well implemented for finite baryon density!! Fermion sign problem



Crossover at zero net baryon density



QCD lattice gauge theory -- for finite light quark masses -- predicts crossover from confined phase at lower T to deconfined phase at higher T.

Do quarks roam freely in the deconfined phase? If so, they must also roam freely at lower T.

Are there really quarks running about freely in this room?

No free quarks even above the crossover!

In confined region quarks are inside hadrons. Also have quarks and antiquarks in the QCD forces between hadrons. With higher density or temperature, form larger clusters, which percolate at the crossover. In deconfined regime clusters extending across all of space.







 $n_{perc} \sim 0.34 (3/4\pi r_n^3) \text{ fm}^{-3}$ $r_n = \text{nucleon radius}$

 n_0 = density of matter inside large nucleus.

Percolation of clusters along the density axis, at zero temperature.

Quarks can still be bound even if deconfined.

Classical vs. quantum percolation

But aren't nucleons, with long distance cloud of mesons always overlapping?

Does anything actually happen at classical percolation transition? No obvious lattice calculation to do!

Distinguish classical (geometric) percolation from quantum percolation in terms of wave functions

Deconfinement as (inverse) Anderson localization (K. Fukushima):







Critical points similar to those in liquid-gas phase diagram (H_2O). Neither critical point necessary!!

Can go continuously from A to B around the upper critical point. Liquid-gas phase transition.

In lower shaded region have BCS pairing of nucleons, of quarks, and possibly other states (meson condensates). Different symmetry structure than at higher T.



Phase diagram of ultracold atomic fermion gases: in T and strength of the particle interactions



Unitary regime (Feshbach resonance) – BEC-BCS crossover. No phase transition through crossover

Phase diagram of ultracold atomic fermion gases: in T and strength of the particle interactions



Smooth evolution of states in atomic clouds -- and nuclear matter (?)

GB, T.Hatsuda, M.Tachibana, & N.Yamamoto. J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. 35, 10402 (2008)

Evolution of Fermi atoms with weakening attraction between atoms:



Similarly, as nuclear matter becomes denser can one expect "continuous" evolution from hadrons (nucleons) to quark pairs (diquarks)?



Quark hadron continuity (Schäfer-Wilczek 1999)



Quark matter cores in neutron stars

Canonical picture: compare calculations of eqs. of state of hadronic matter and quark matter.

GB & S.A. Chin (1976) Crossing of thermodynamic potentials => first order phase transition. ex. r

ex. nuclear matter using 2 & 3 body interactions, vs. perturbative expansion or bag models.

Assumes hadronic state at high densities – not possible when hadrons substantially overlap

Allows only quark equations of state lying under hadronic at high density. Soft only and therefore can't support two solar mass stars.

Typically conclude transition at n~10n_{nm} -- would not be reached even in high mass neutron stars => at most small quark matter cores





Have good idea of equation of state at nuclear densities and at high densities. Look at pressure vs. baryon chemical potential



Quarks in Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (NJL) model with universal repulsive short-range qq coupling (*Kunihiro*)

 $\mathcal{L}_{V}^{(4)} = -g_{V} \left(\overline{q}\gamma^{\mu}q\right)^{2}$

APR = Akmal, Pandharipande, Ravenhall nucleonic equation of state with nucleonic potentials (2 and 3 body) fit to NN scattering and light nuclei



T. Kojo, P. D. Powell, Y. Song, & GB, PR D 91, 045003 (2015)

Stiffer equations of state given more massive neutron stars, with lower central densities



Green equation of state is stiffer than red. Has larger pressure for given mass density ρ , and has smaller ρ for given pressure P





Phase with larger P at given μ thermodynamically preferred



Assumes hadronic state at high densities – not possible when hadrons substantially overlap

P_extrapolated stiff Q ground state μ Hadrons only at low density and quark matter at high density.

Continuous eqs. of state can

be much stiffer

In between???

Model calculations of neutron star matter within NJL model

NJL Lagrangian
$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{q}(i\gamma_{\mu}\partial^{\mu} - m_{q} + \mu\gamma_{0})q + \mathcal{L}^{(4)} + \mathcal{L}^{(6)}$$

 $\mathcal{L}_{\chi}^{(4)} = G \sum_{a=0}^{8} [(\bar{q}\tau_{a}q)^{2} + (\bar{q}i\gamma_{5}\tau_{a}q)^{2}]$ chiral interactions
 $\mathcal{L}_{d}^{(4)} = H \sum_{A,A'=2,5,7} [(\bar{q}i\gamma_{5}\tau_{A}\lambda_{A'}C\bar{q}^{T})(q^{T}Ci\gamma_{5}\tau_{A}\lambda_{A'}q)]$ BCS pairing interactions
 $\mathcal{L}_{d}^{(6)} = \text{Kobayashi-Maskawa-'t Hooft six quark axial anomaly}$

plus universal repulsive quark-quark vector coupling

$$\mathcal{L}_{V}^{(4)} = -g_{V} \left(\overline{q}\gamma^{\mu}q\right)^{2}$$
 T. Kunihiro

Include u,d, and s quarks

K. Masuda, T. Hatsuda, & *T. Takatsuka, Ap. J.*764, 12 (2013)

GB, T. Kojo, T. Hatsuda, T. Takatsuka, & Y. Song ROPP 81 (2018) 056902

pressure



Minimal model: $g_V = 0$



Soft quark equation of state does not allow high mass neutron stars

Vector interaction stiffens eq. of state



Shift of pressure in quark phase towards higher µ

Vector interaction stiffens eq. of state



Larger g_V leads to unphysical thermodynamic instability

In this house, we obey the laws of thermodynamics!



Restore stability with increased BCS (diquark) pairing interaction, H



Increased BCS pairing (onset of stronger 2-body correlations) as quark matter comes nearer to becoming confined

QHC19 (quark-hadron crossover) equation of state:

GB, S. Furusawa, T. Hatsuda, T. Kojo & H. Togashi, arXiv:1903:08963

Parameters g_v and H severely restricted by requirement that sound velocity does not exceed speed of light. Must be in colored region.





Further restriction that maximum neutron star mass > 2 solar masses



Maximum central density in star









Neutron star radius vs. mass (tune better with NICER data)

Compare QHC18 with LIGO inference of pressure vs. rest mass density, B. P. Abbott et al. (LIGO & Virgo) PRL 121, 161101 (2018)



Also consistent with eq. of state inferred from M vs. R observations

Neutron star tidal deformability



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Orbiting neutron stars each deform each other, inducing quadrupolar distortion in the other

$$Q_{ij} = \int d^3r \ \rho(r) \left(r_i r_j - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} r^2 \right)$$

$$_{\rm tidal}(\vec{r}\,) = \frac{G_N M_{\rm B}}{2R^3} \left(r^2 - 3(\vec{r}\cdot\hat{R}\,)^2\right)$$

quadrupole moment of star; measure r from center of A

tIdal force of B felt by A; R = separation of two stars

 $g_{00} \sim -G\left(\frac{M}{r} - \frac{3Q_ij}{2r^3}\hat{n}_i\hat{n}_j + \dots\right) + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{E}_{ij}\hat{n}_i\hat{n}_j$ metric perturbation. $\hat{n} = \text{unit vector from A to B}$

 $R_S = \frac{2MG}{2}$

$$\mathcal{E}_{ij} = rac{\partial^2 \Phi_{ ext{tidal}}}{\partial r_i \partial r_j}$$

tidal tensor from B as felt by A.

defines tidal deformability of A



 $\Lambda = 32 \frac{\lambda G}{R_s^5}$ dimensionless tidal deformability, where is the Schwarzschild radius

Model calculation for self-gravitating classical incompressible star



R = distance between the two stars R_0 = radius of unperturbed star

Quadrupolar deformation of star

 $\delta R_A = P_2(\cos\theta)\epsilon R_0$



Produces quadrupole moment $Q_{zz} = (2/5)M_A R_0^2 \epsilon$

Decreases gravitation energy of star by $\Delta E_{def} = (3/25)GM_A^2\epsilon^2/R_0$

Interaction energy with tidal force $\Delta E_{\rm tide} = -(3/5)G_N M_{\rm A} M_{\rm B} R_0^2 \epsilon/R^3$

$$rac{\partial}{\partial\epsilon}(\Delta E_{
m def} + \Delta E_{
m tide}) = 0$$
 \longrightarrow $\epsilon = (5/2)(M_{
m B}/M_{
m A})(R_0/R)^3$ nduced quadrupole moment in A $Q_{zz} = M_{
m B}R_0^5/R^3$

$$\Lambda_A = R_0^5 / G \qquad \qquad \Lambda = 16 (R_0 / R_S)^5$$

Neutron star tidal deformability in QHC19



For $2 n_0 < n_B < 7-8 n_0$ matter is intermediate between purely hadronic and purely quark

Quark model eqs. of state can be stiffer than previously thought, allowing for neutron star masses > 2 M_{\odot}

Use QHC19 in neutron star merger simulations!!! https://compose.obspm.fr/eos/140/.

Much more to do:

Uncertainties in nuclear matter equation of state (APR, Togashi, etc.)

Uncertainties in interpolating from nuclear matter to quark matter lead to errors in maximum neutron star masses and radii

Uncertainties in the vector coupling and pairing forces;

Going beyond the NJL model -- running g_v

Finite temperature equation of state (\leq 100 MeV) for modelling neutron star -- neutron star (or black hole) mergers as sources of gravitational radiation (GB, S. Furusawa, T. Hatsuda, T. Kojo, H. Togashi)

Cooling and transport properties

The parameters g_V and H more microscopically



Y. Song, GB,T. Hatsuda, T. Kojo $L \sim G(\bar{q}q)^2 + H(\bar{q}\bar{q})(qq) - g_V(\bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}q)^2$ Perturbative QCD (one loop) => energy contribution from quark vector channel

$$E_{\rm QCD}^{\rm vec} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_s}{27} \int_{p,p'} \text{Tr}[S(p)\gamma^{\mu}] \text{Tr}[S(p')\gamma_{\mu}] D(p-p') = \frac{3\alpha_s p_F^{\star}}{2\pi^3} = g_V n_q^2$$

S(p) = free quark Green's function $D = 1/(p-p')^2 =$ massless gluon Green's function (tensor decorations in numerator drop out)

$$n_q = 3 n_B = n_B = p_F^3 / \pi$$

$$g_V = \frac{\pi \alpha_s}{6p_F^2}$$





Include gluon mass m_g : $D(q) \rightarrow 1/(q^2 - m_g^2)$



Regularizes behavior at low density

Approximate parametrization:

$$g_V(p_F) \simeq \frac{4\pi\alpha_s}{27m_g^2 + 24p_F^2}$$

Expect further corrections from chiral quark masses and BCS (diquark) pairing. These tend to be suppressed by finite gluon mass.

In future QHC include density dependence of g_V , as well as isovector repulsion

$$g_v(n_u + n_d + n_s)^2 + g_\tau^{(3)}(n_u - n_d)^2 + g_\tau^{(8)}(n_u + n_d - 2n_s)^2$$

Estimating H from N- mass splitting

T. Kojo, to be published

N (spin $\frac{1}{2}$, isospin=1/2) = nucleon, m = 940 MeV Δ (spin 3/2, isospin = 3/2) = excited nucleon, m = 1232 MeV

$$\mathcal{L}_{S} = H \sum_{A=2,5,7} \left(\bar{\psi} i \gamma_{5} \tau_{2} \lambda_{A} \psi_{C} \right) \left(\bar{\psi}_{C} i \gamma_{5} \tau_{2} \lambda_{A} \psi \right), \quad \text{Isoscalar scalar diquark pairing}$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{A} = H' \sum_{A=2,5,7} \left(\bar{\psi} \gamma_{\mu} \tau_{2} \vec{\tau} \lambda_{A} \psi_{C} \right) \left(\bar{\psi}_{C} \gamma^{\mu} \tau_{2} \vec{\tau} \lambda_{A} \psi \right) \cdot \text{Isovector axial vector diquark}$$

Calculation of mass splitting from NJL-Fadeev (Ishii, Bentz, & Yazaki, Nucl. Phys. A 587 (1995)) $r_H = H/G_0; \quad r_H' = H'/G_0 > 0$ $\Rightarrow m_{\Delta} - m_N = -0.01r'_H + 0.33r_H \simeq 0.47 \quad [GeV]$

⇒ H/G ≥ 1.4 :remarkably consistent with H/G ~ 1.5-1.6 from QHC19, vs. H/G = 0.5(0.75) from Fierz transformation in NJL.

Expect enhancement because of ever so strong correlations as quark matter approaches confinement



