

NEUTRON STAR PROPERTIES, NUCLEAR PARAMETERS, (HYPER)NUCLEI, AND GRAVITATIONAL WAVES

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Neutron star radius

Astrophysical constraints on the EOS

Mass

- ▶ each EOS has a maximum mass M_{\max} ;
- ▶ $M_{\max} \geq M_{\max}^{\text{obs}}$.

Lightest NSs:

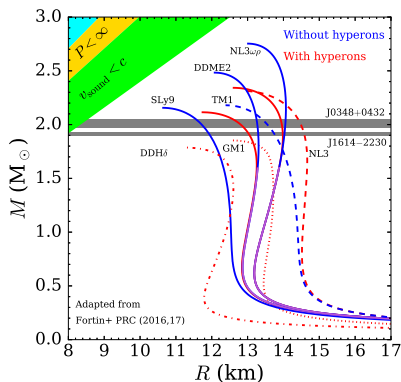
- ▶ PSR J1614-2230:
 $M = 1.908 \pm 0.016 M_{\odot}$
(Arzoumanian+ ApJS 2018).
- ▶ PSR J0348+0432:
 $M = 2.01 \pm 0.04 M_{\odot}$ (Antoniadis+ Science 2013)

Radius

e.g. Miller & Lamb EpJA, Ozel & Freire ARAA (2016), Fortin+ A&A (2015) Idots

$$R \simeq 9 - 14 \text{ km.}$$

Mass-radius plot



Current and future instruments:

- ▶ NICER (NASA): on board of the ISS, currently operating.
- ▶ Athena (ESA): launch in 2028;

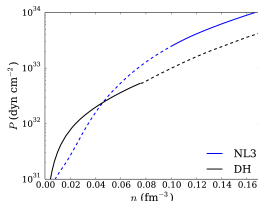
⇒ **simultaneous** (M, R) for several NSs with a $\sim 5\%$ uncertainty on R ...

NS EOSs and radius

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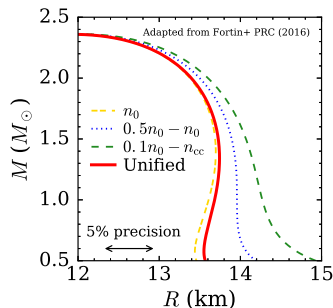
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- ▶ transition at $n_0 = 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}$;
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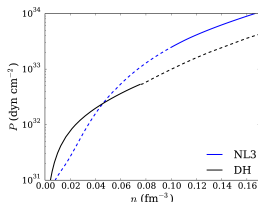


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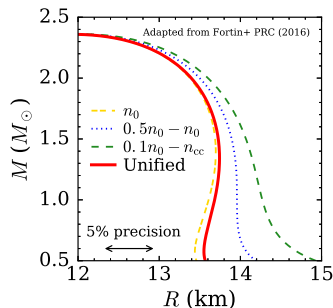
Uncertainty on R

- ▶ due to the treatment of the core-crust transition: up $\sim 4\%$ (up to $\sim 30\%$ on the crust thickness),
- ▶ with NICER, Athena: expected precision $\sim 5\%$
- ▶ how to, if not solve, at least handle this problem?

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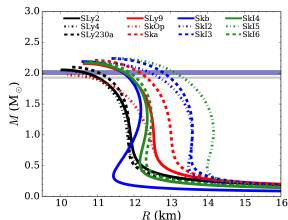
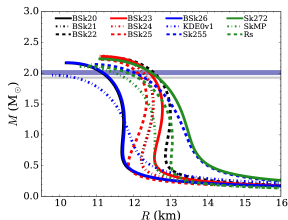
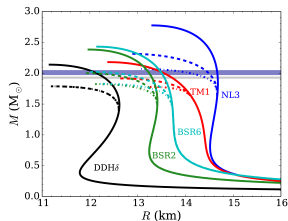
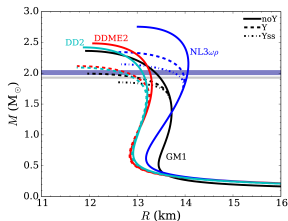
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1. Unified equations of state

Very few unified EOSs for NSs exist eg. Douchin & Haensel 2001, BSk (Brussels Uni.), Sharma et al. 2015

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33 nucleonic EOSs (9 RMF and 24 Skyrme) and 15 RMF hyperonic EOSs, all consistent with $2 M_{\odot}$ (and causal).

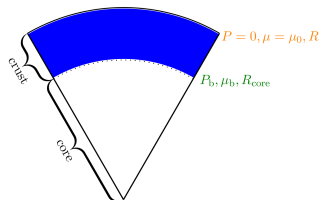
EOS tables as supplemental material to the paper (can also provide $M - R$) and also soon on the open-source database Compose: `compose.obspm.fr`

2. Approximate formula for the radius and crust thickness

Zdunik, Fortin, and Haensel, A&A (2017)

- ▶ All you need is . . . : the core EOS down to a chosen density n_b with $\mu(n_b) = \mu_b$.
- ▶ Obtain the $M(R_{\text{core}})$ relation solving the TOV equations.
- ▶ Obtain $M(R)$ with

$$R = R_{\text{core}} / \left(1 - \left(\frac{\mu_b}{\mu_0} \right)^2 - 1 \right) \left(\frac{R_{\text{core}} c^2}{2GM} - 1 \right).$$



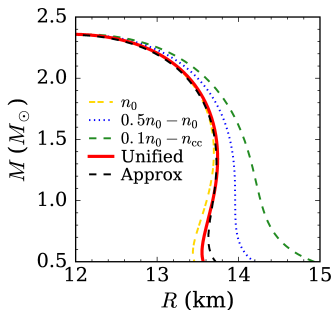
2 unknowns

- ▶ $\mu_0 = 930.4 \text{ MeV}$ - minimum energy per nucleon of a bcc lattice of ^{56}Fe .
- ▶ μ_b at the core-crust transition? For $L \in [30, 120] \text{ MeV}$, $n_b \in [0.06, 0.10] \text{ fm}^{-3}$ (Ducoin+ PRC 2011)
- ▶ $\mu_b = (P + \rho)/n$ at $n_0/2 = 0.08 \text{ fm}^{-3}$

Results

- ▶ $\Delta R \lesssim 0.2\%$ for $M > 1 M_\odot$
- ▶ $\Delta l^{\text{cr}} \lesssim 1\%$ for $M > 1 M_\odot$

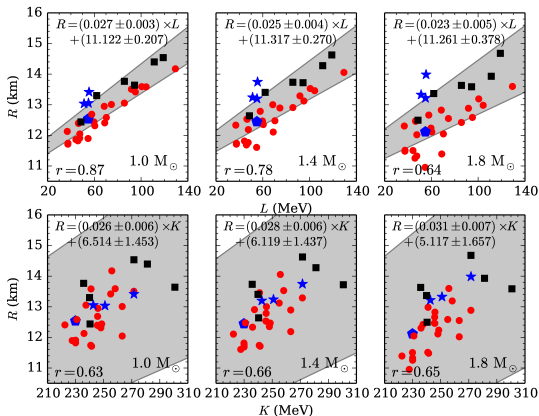
+ Formulas for NSs with an accreted crust.



Correlations

NS radius and nuclear parameters

Fortin+ PRC 94 (2016): 33 unified RMF and Skyrme models

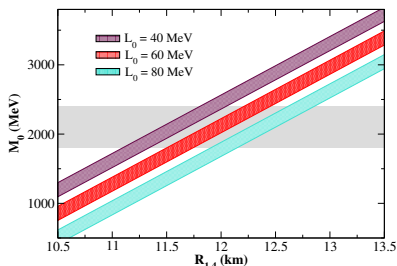


- ▶ R vs L (see also eg. Horowitz & Piekarewicz 2001, ... works): dispersion larger for higher masses due to higher order terms
- ▶ R vs K : for isoscalar properties higher order terms can not be neglected

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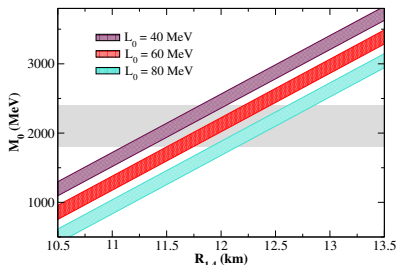
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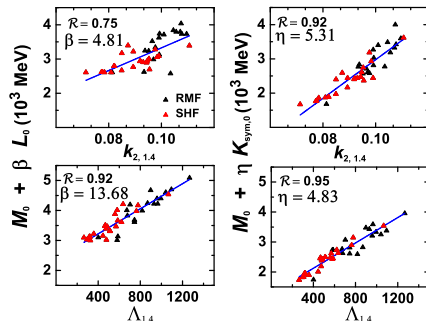


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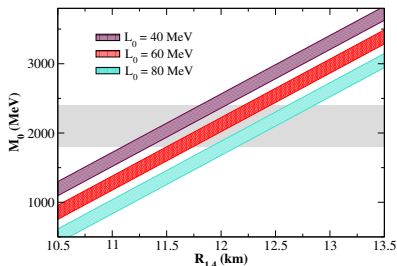
Similarly

- ▶ $1900 < M_0 < 3800$ MeV
- ▶ $-141 < K_{\text{sym}} < +16$ MeV, not constrained experimentally

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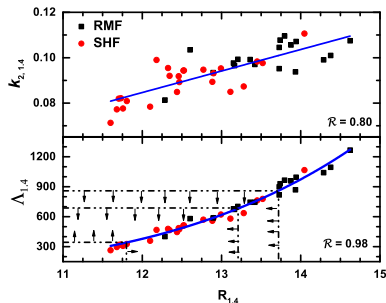


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$R \propto$ tidal deformability Λ



Malik, Alam, Fortin et al. arXiv 1805.11963

- ▶ arrow: bounds on Λ from GW170817 event: GW observations (LIGO-Virgo collab' and De et al. PRL 2018) and EM counterpart (Radice et al. ApJL 2018)

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Mirror nuclei and NS radii

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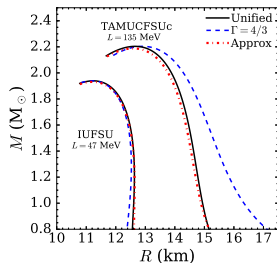
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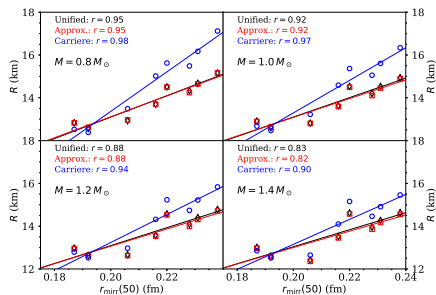
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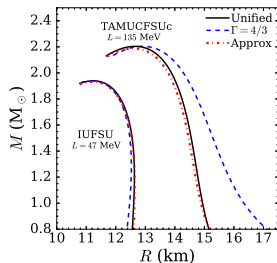
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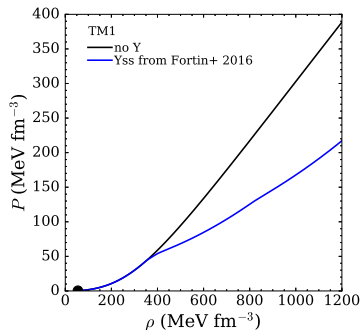
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 - ▶ Preliminary: much weaker correlations between R and R_{mirr} : $r = 0.76$ for $M = 0.8 M_{\odot}$.
 - ▶ Confirm correlations between ^{208}Pb and ^{48}Ca neutron skin thickness and L , and R_{mirr} and L .
 - ▶ Extensive study of correlations in progress... stay tuned!

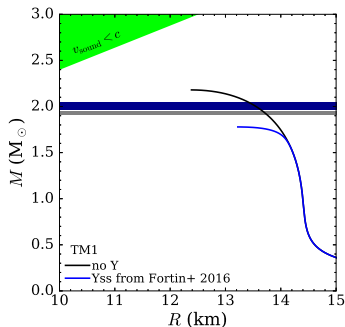
Hypernuclei and neutron stars

Hyperonic equations of state

Equation of state



$M - R$ plot



Hyperon puzzle

- M_{max} reduced when Y are included;
 - consistency with the observations:
 $M_{\text{max}} \geq M_{\text{max}}^{\text{obs}} \simeq 2 M_{\odot}$ (PSR J1614-2230 & J0348+0432)
- \Rightarrow Can hyperons be present in NSs and yet $M_{\text{max}} \geq 2 M_{\odot}$?

Experimentally calibrated hyperonic EOS

Usual approach to hyperons

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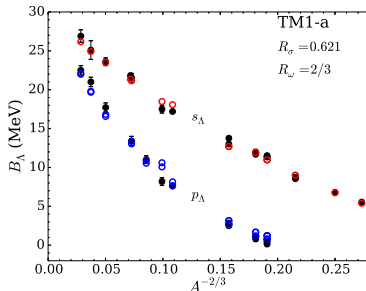
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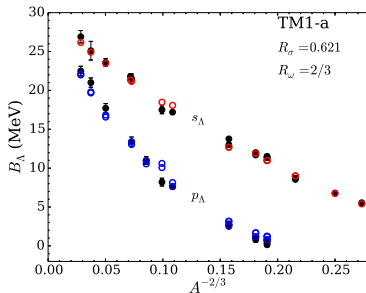
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Experimentally calibrated potentials

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usually (-30, -28) MeV
- ▶ $U_{\Lambda}^{\Lambda}(n_0) \in [-14, -9]$ MeV
- ▶ or $U_{\Lambda}^{\Lambda}(n_0/5) \in [-6, -5]$ MeV
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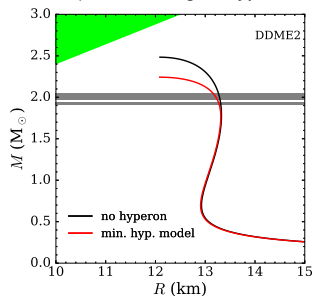
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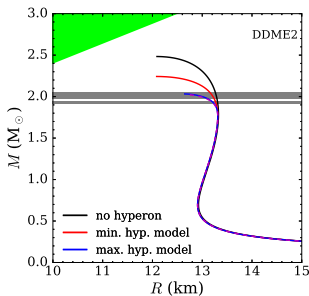
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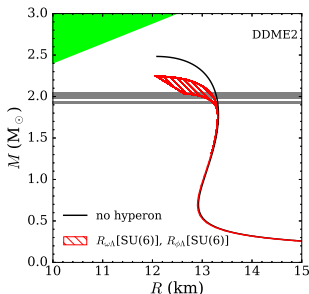
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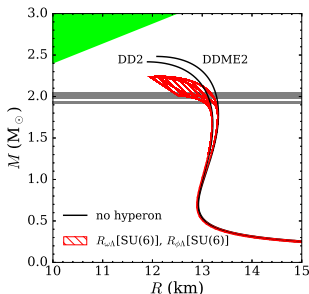
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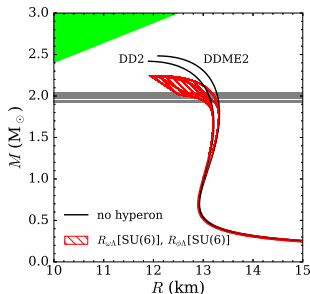
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How to reduce ΔM_{max} ?

- ▶ experimental constraints on the Ξ and Σ hyperons
- ▶ astrophysical constraints?

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Conclusions

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- ▶ Use unified EOS:
 - ▶ eg. Douchin & Haensel A&A 2001, BSk EOS (Chamel, Fantina et al.), Sharma et al. A&A 2015
 - ▶ Fortin et al. PRC 94 (2016): 48 unified nucleonic and hyperonic EOSs as supplemental material + confrontation with nuclear constraints.
- ▶ Zdunik et al. A&A (2017): very precise formula for $M(R)$ just with the EOS for the core.
- ▶ Alam et al. PRC (2016), Malik et al. arXiv 1805.11963: interesting correlations between neutron stars properties (radius, tidal deformability) and nuclear parameters.
- ▶ Fortin, Providência, Pais, *in prep.*: extensive study of correlations between properties of mirror and neutron-rich nuclei and of neutron stars.
- ▶ Fortin et al. PRC 94 (2017), Fortin et al. PASA (2018): hyperonic RMF EOSs consistent by the existence of $2 M_{\odot}$ NSs taking account current experimental constraints.