How pQCD constrains the EoS at NS densities?

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THIS TALK: HOW PQCD CONSTRAINS THE EQUATION OF STATE AT NEUTRON STAR DENSITIES

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How pQCD constrains EoS at low densities:





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- pQCD
- Softening interpreted as formation of ٠ Quark Matter

Landry, Essick, Chatziioannou PRD 101 (2020)

 10^{15}

 $\rho (g/cm^3)$

 $\epsilon_{\rm kink}$

No softening

without QCD

How pQCD constrains EoS at low densities:

• Why does QCD at $40n_s$ constrain the EoS at NS densities:

How pQCD constrains the equation of state at neutron star densities

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• How QCD affects EoS infrerence

Ab-initio QCD calculations impact the inference of neutron-star equation of state

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Rhoades & Ruffini, Phys.Rev.Lett. 32 (1974) Lope-Oter, Windisch, Llanes-Estrada, Alford, J. Phys. G (2019) Lope-Oter, Llanes-Estrada, EPJA 58 (2022)

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 $P(\epsilon) \ vs. \ \Omega(\mu)$ Reduced EoS Full EoS

Information of $\{P, \epsilon, n\}$







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pQCD

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1.0

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2.0

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pQCD

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Mapping to $\epsilon - p$ -plane



Constraints for fixed *n* on $\epsilon - p$ -plane



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Conclusions:

- { n, p, ε } carries more information than $p(\varepsilon)$
- Stability, causality and consistency
- QCD at $n = 40 n_s$ offers a robust constraint down to $n = 2.3 n_s$
- Systematics complementary. No model uncertainties

No transport models, no stellar models, no extrapolation in proton fraction, no GR ... Can be used as baseline for BSM and beyond-GR, Lope-Oter, et al, J. Phys. G (2019)

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