

Massive white dwarfs and neutron stars in noncommutative geometry

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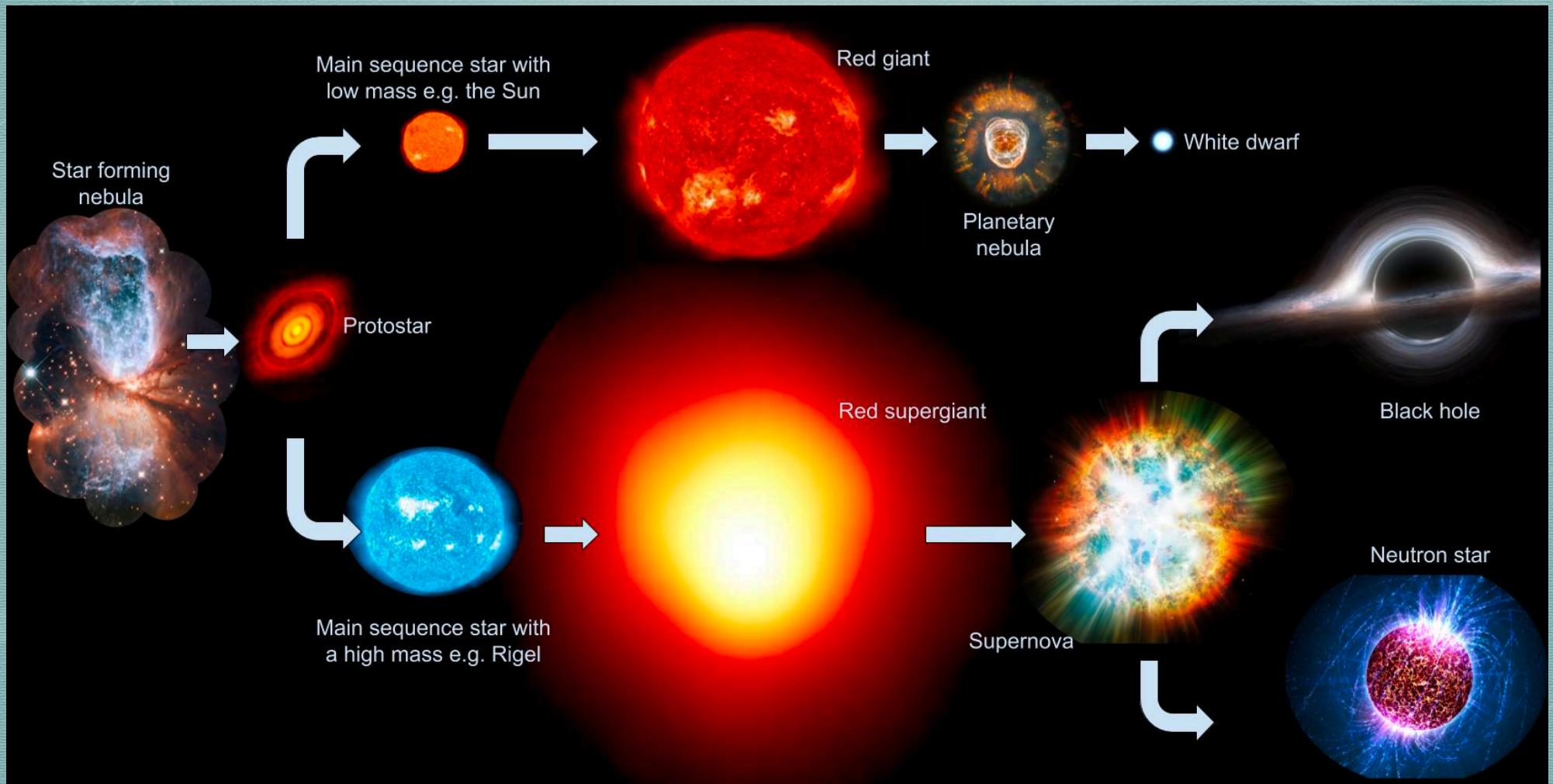
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Life cycle of a star



Properties of compact objects

	White dwarf	Neutron star	Black hole (Stellar)	Black hole (Supermassive)
Mass	$\sim M_{\odot}$	$\sim M_{\odot}$	$\sim 3 - 100 M_{\odot}$	$> 10^6 M_{\odot}$
Progenitor mass	$\lesssim 10 M_{\odot}$	$< 10 - 25 M_{\odot}$	$> 25 M_{\odot}$	-
Radius	$\gtrsim 1000 \text{ km}$	$\sim 10 \text{ km}$	$2GM/c^2$	$2GM/c^2$
Central density	$\lesssim 2 \times 10^{10} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$	$\lesssim 10^{14} - 10^{15} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$	-	-
Surface Temperature	$\sim 10^4 - 10^5 \text{ K}$	$\sim 10^6 - 10^7 \text{ K}$	-	-

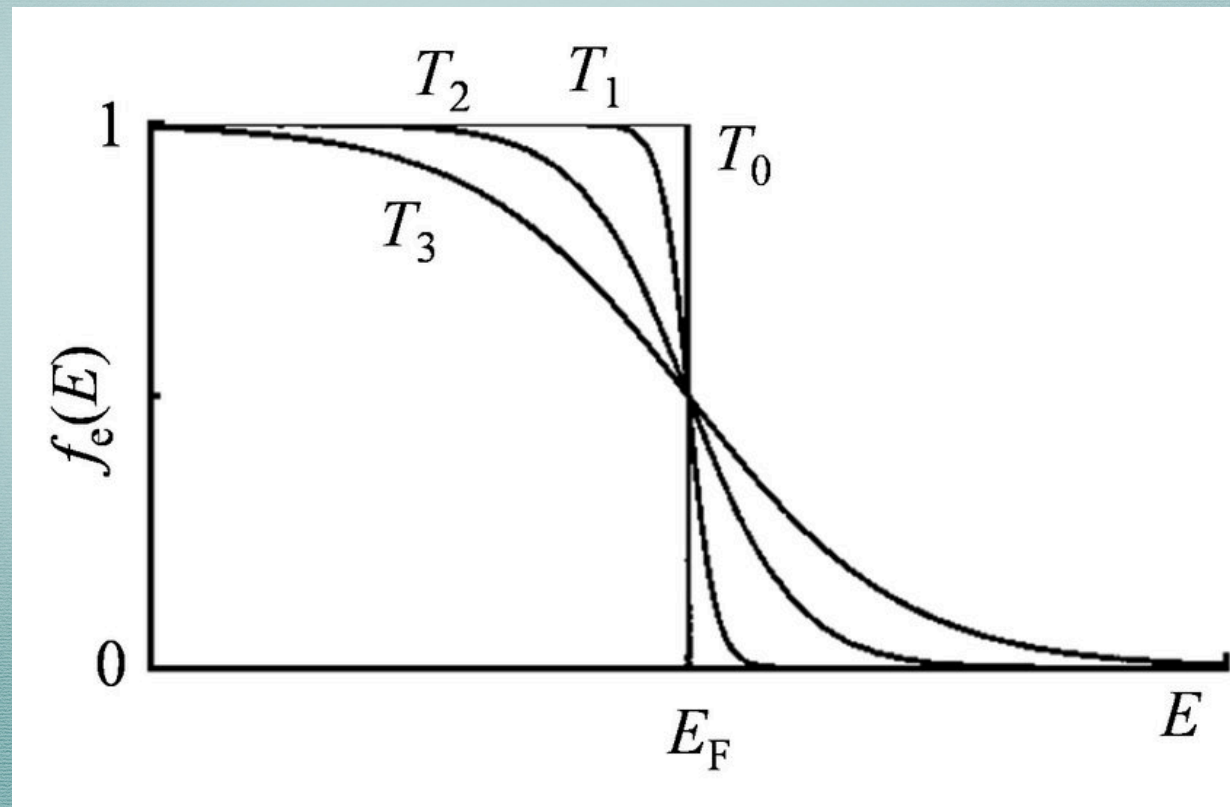
Degenerate electron gas

- * Electrons become degenerate when all the energy states below the Fermi level are filled.
- * Electrons are Fermions.
- * Fermi-Dirac distribution: (Assume $k_B T \ll E_F$)

$$f(E) = \frac{1}{e^{(E-E_F)/k_B T} + 1} \approx \begin{cases} 1 & E < E_F \\ 0 & E > E_F \end{cases}$$

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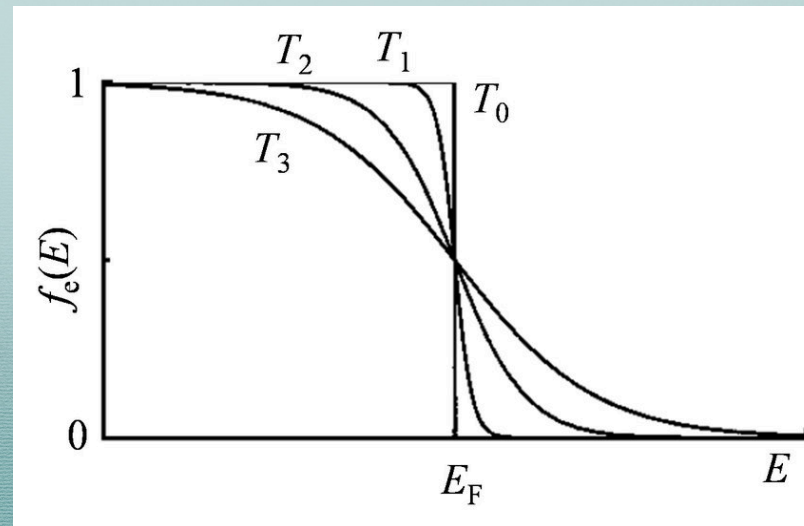
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- * White dwarfs are assumed to be cold.
- * Zero temperature calculation is a good assumption.



Degenerate electron gas

* Number density of electrons: $n_e = \int_0^{p_F} \frac{8\pi}{h^3} p^2 dp = \frac{8\pi}{3h^3} p_F^3.$

* Degenerate pressure: $P = \frac{8\pi}{3h^3} \int_0^{p_F} v p^3 dp = \frac{8\pi}{3h^3} \int_0^{p_F} \frac{p^4 c^2}{\sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m_e^2 c^4}} dp$

Non-relativistic electron gas: $\sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m_e^2 c^4} \approx m_e c^2$

$$P \propto \rho^{5/3}$$

Relativistic electron gas: $\sqrt{p^2 c^2 + m_e^2 c^4} \approx pc$

$$P \propto \rho^{4/3}$$

Chandrasekhar equation of state

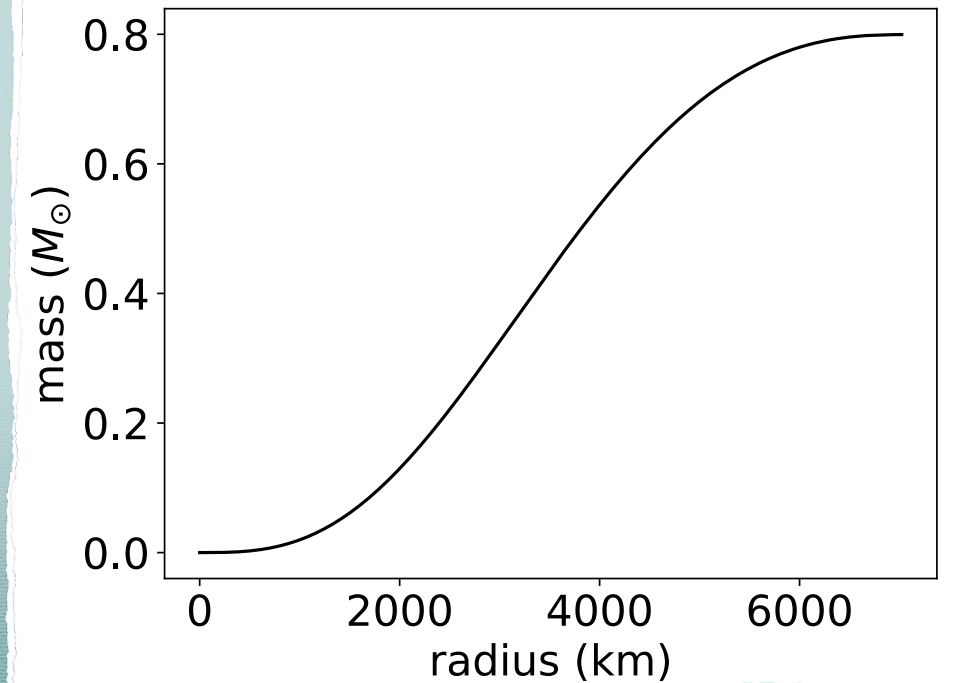
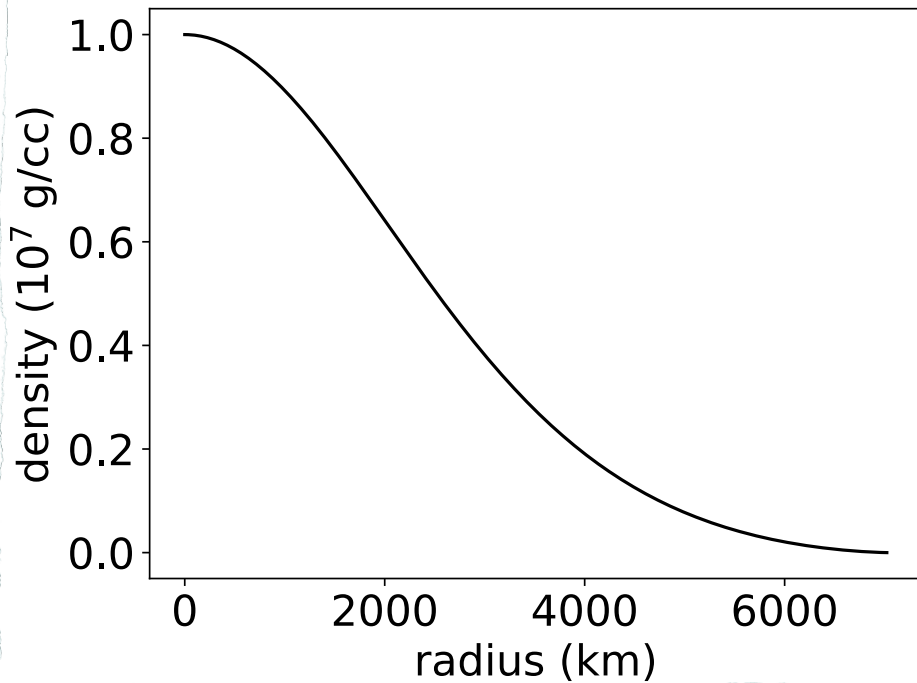
$$P = \frac{\pi m_e^4 c^5}{3h^3} \left[x(2x^2 - 3)\sqrt{x^2 + 1} + 3 \sinh^{-1} x \right]$$
$$\rho = \frac{8\pi\mu_e m_p (m_e c)^3}{3h^3} x^3, \quad x = \frac{p_F}{m_e c}$$

- Pressure balance (Newtonian): $\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{GM\rho}{r^2}$.
- Pressure balance (GR): $\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{G}{r^2} \frac{(P + \rho c^2)}{1 - \frac{2GM}{c^2 r}} \left(\frac{4\pi r^3 P}{c^4} + \frac{M}{c^2} \right)$.
- Mass estimate: $\frac{dM}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho$.

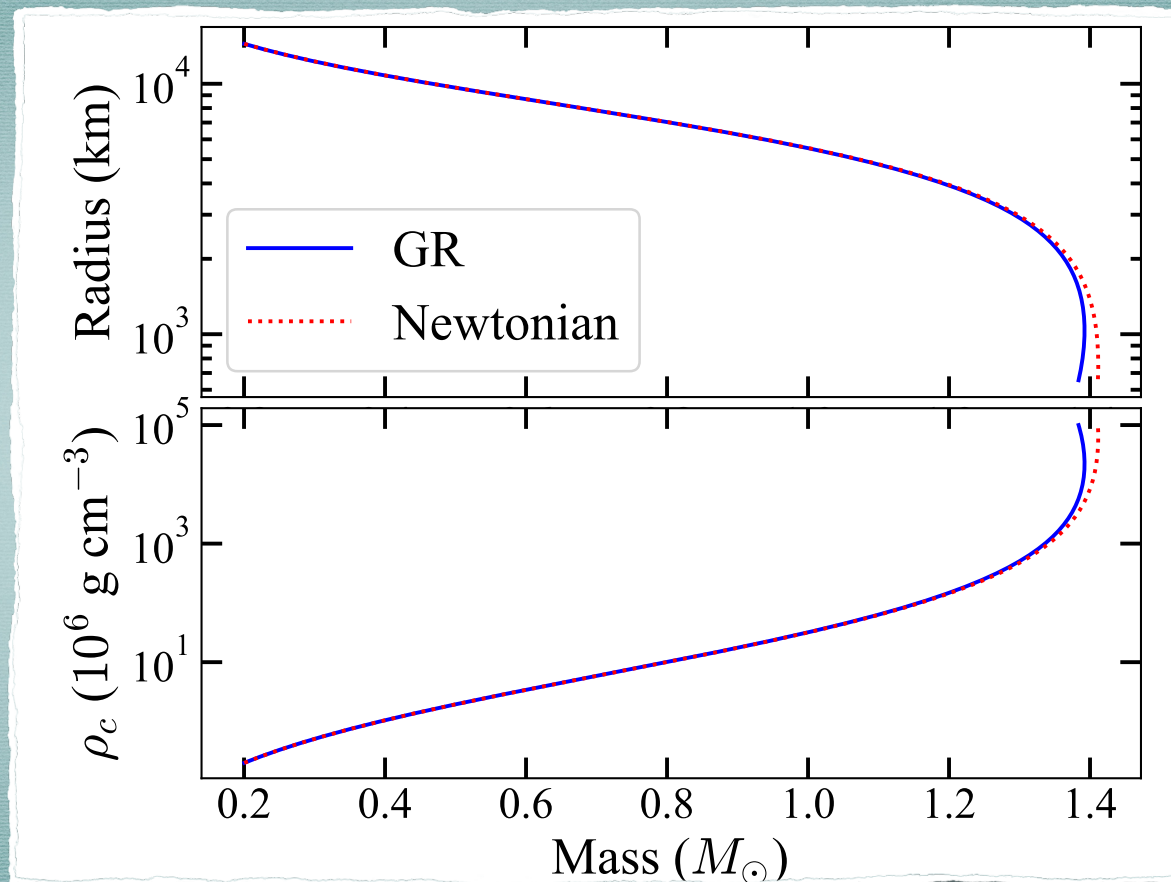
White dwarf

- Boundary conditions:

$$\begin{aligned}M(r = 0) &= 0, & M(r = R_*) &= M_* \\ \rho(r = 0) &= \rho_c, & P(r = 0) &= P_c \\ \rho(r = R_*) &= 0, & P(r = R_*) &= 0\end{aligned}$$



Structure of WD/NS



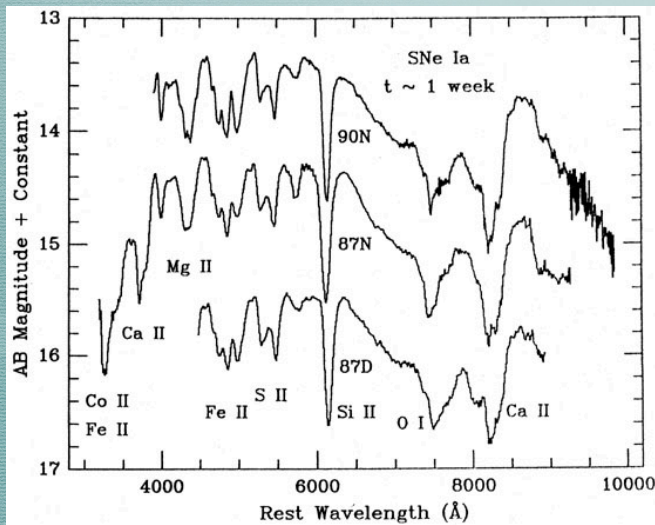
S. Chandrasekhar (1935)

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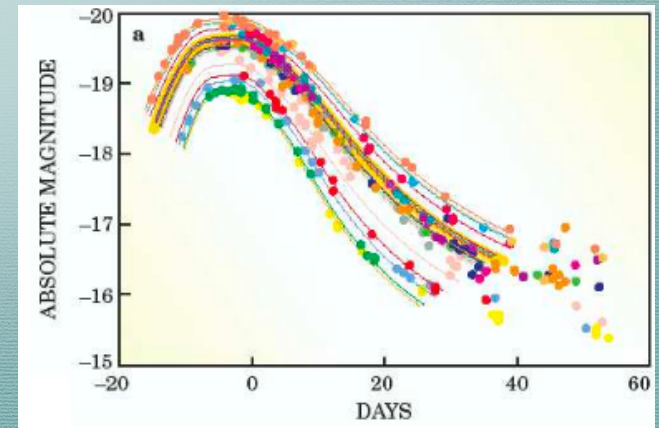
$$M_{\text{Ch}} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{32\pi} \left(\frac{hc}{G} \right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{2}{\mu_e} \right)^2 \frac{2.018}{m_p^2}$$

Type Ia supernovae

- If a WD has a binary partner, it starts pulling out matter.
- At Chandrasekhar mass-limit, it bursts out to produce type Ia supernova.
- Type Ia supernovae have similar behaviours, therefore they are used as standard candles in cosmology.

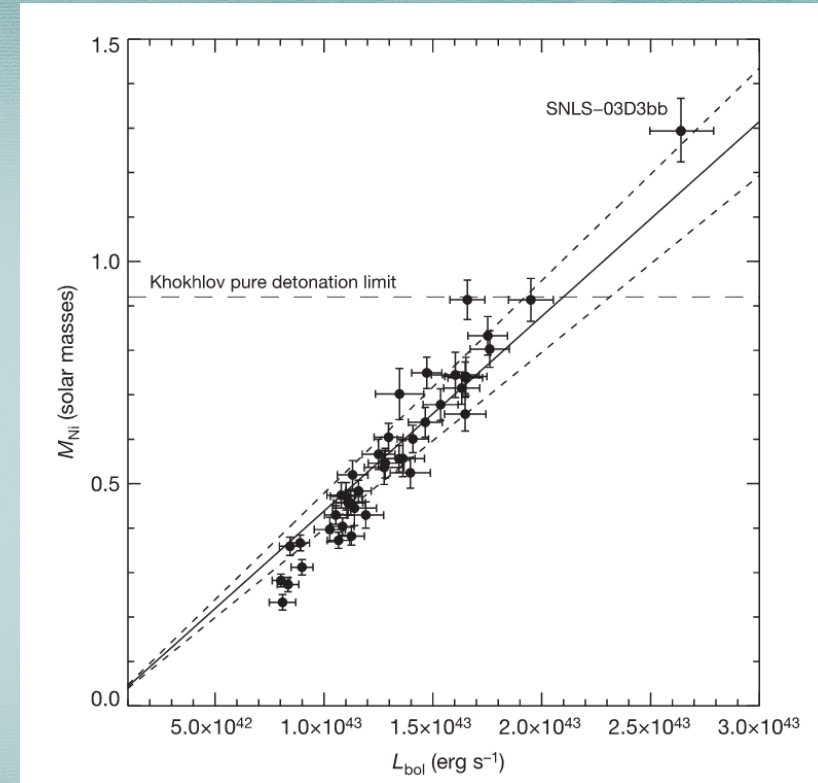


- Absence of hydrogen.
- Strong ionised silicon absorption line.



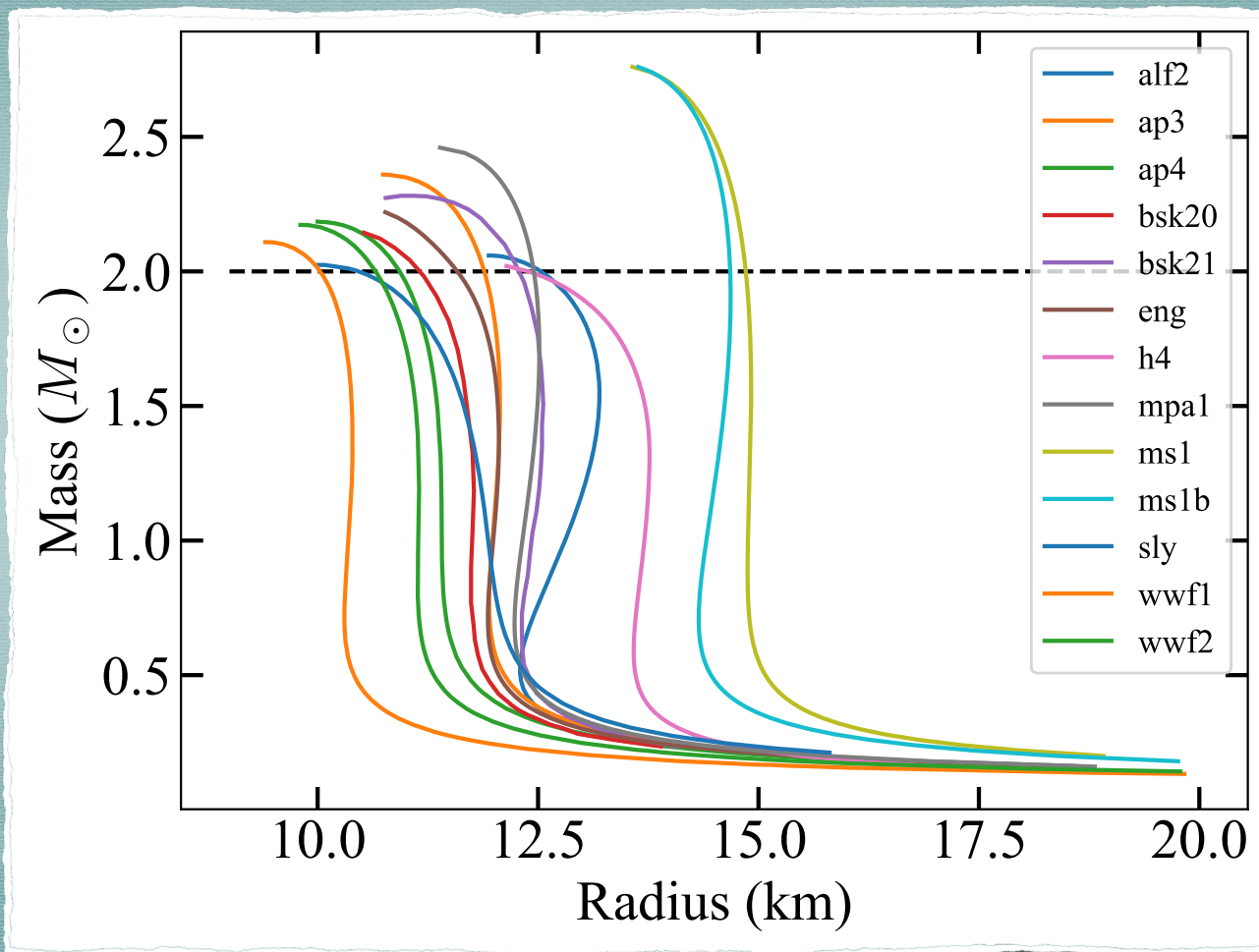
Peculiar SNeIa

- * Recent observations show some peculiar SNeIa with extremely high luminosity.
- * Their light curves also show different trend.
- * $L \propto M_{\text{WD}}c^2 + mv^2 \implies M_{\text{WD}} \approx 2.1 - 2.8M_{\odot}$
- * Chandrasekhar mass-limit is violated.



Howell *et al.* Nature 443 (2006) 308

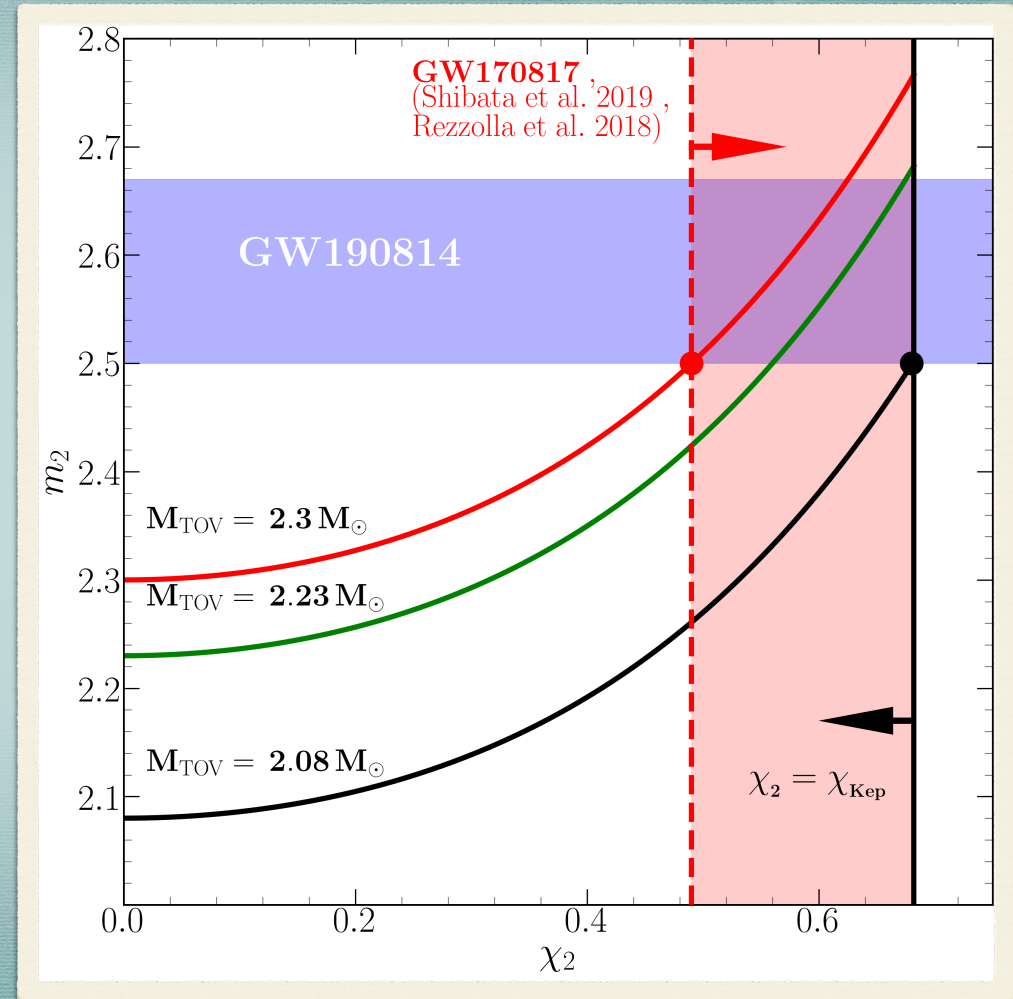
Neutron star



Massive neutron star

- * GW190817 event: Merger of a $23 M_{\odot}$ black hole with a $2.5 - 2.67 M_{\odot}$ object.
- * The secondary object is the highest measured massive NS or the lightest black hole.
- * Assuming it to be a NS, lower bound on maximum NS has to be $\sim 2.1 M_{\odot}$.

Most, Papenfort, Weih & Rezzolla,
MNRAS-Letters 499 (2020) L82

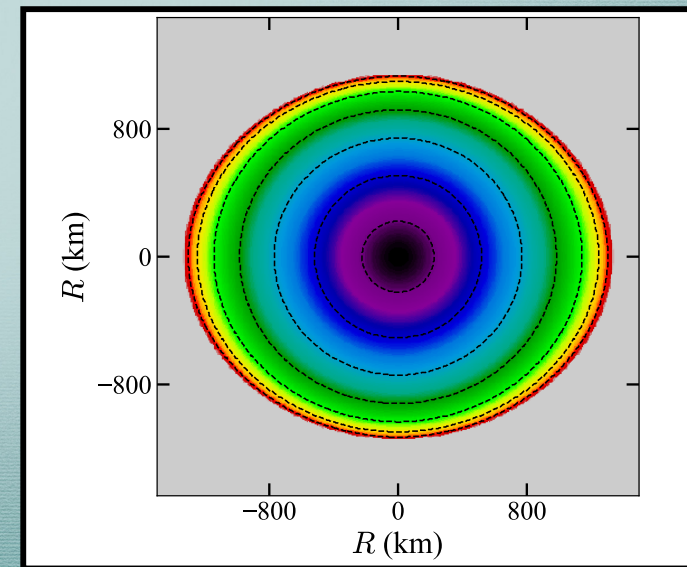
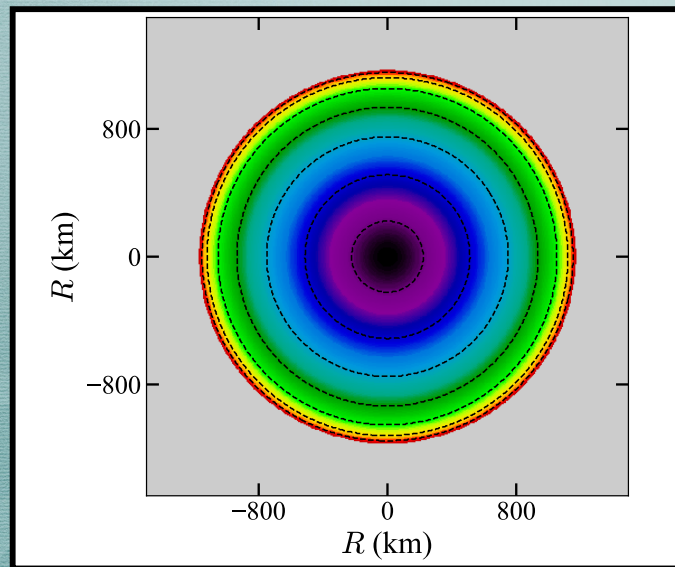


Massive WD and NS

- * Rotation, magnetic fields, modified theory of general relativity, noncommutative geometry, etc.
- * Each theory gives different mass-radius relation.
- * GW astronomy in the future can be relevant to single out the theories.

Rotating WD/NS

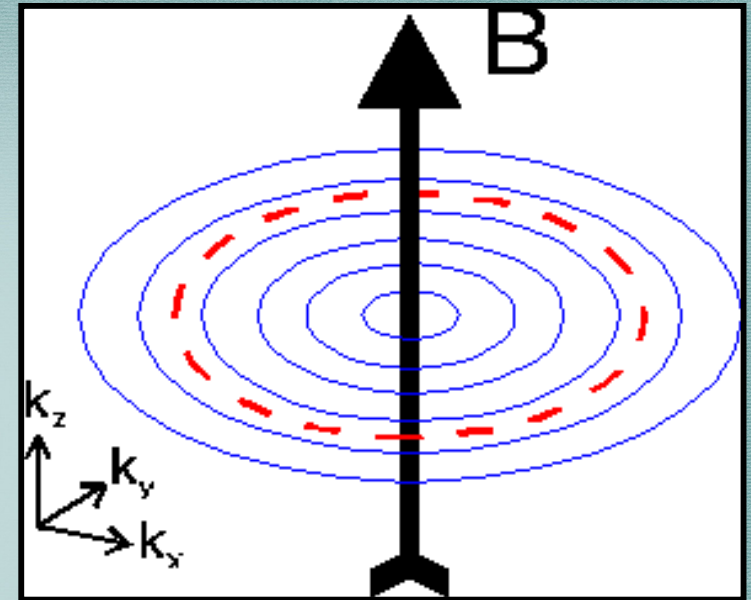
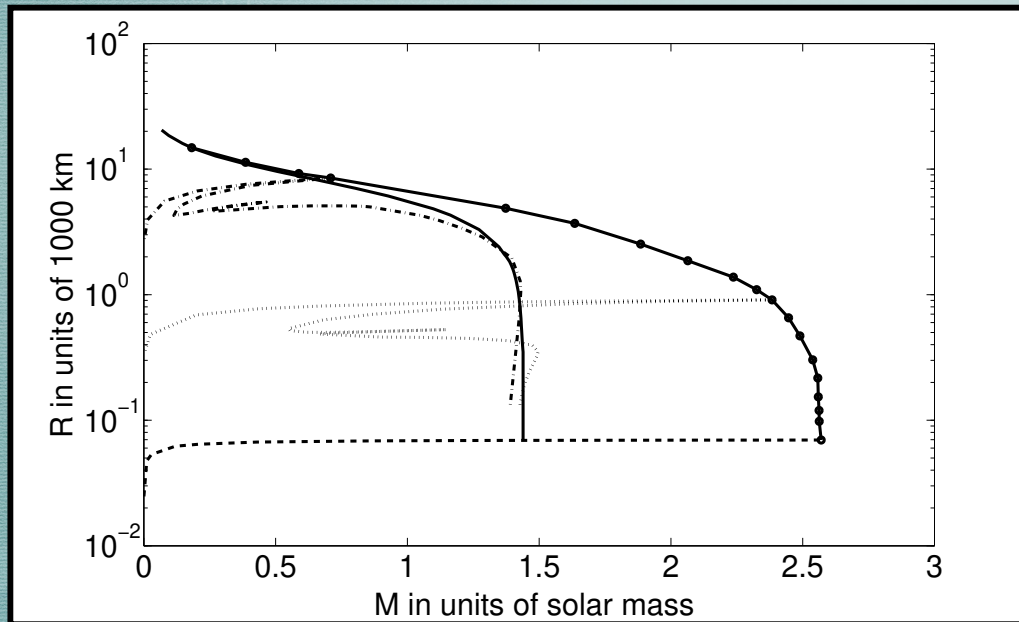
- Rotation can increase the mass of a WD/NS.
- Ostriker & Hartwick in 1968 showed that rotation alone can increase the mass of a WD up to $\sim 1.8M_{\odot}$.
- Rezzolla and collaborators showed that rotation can increase the mass of a NS upto 1.2 times of its original value.
- Rotation turns a spherical WD/NS to an oblate shaped WD/NS.



Magnetic fields

* **Microscopic effect:** Formation of Landau levels.

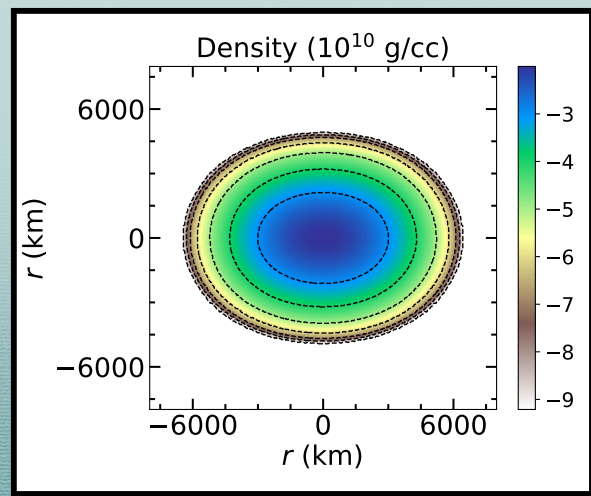
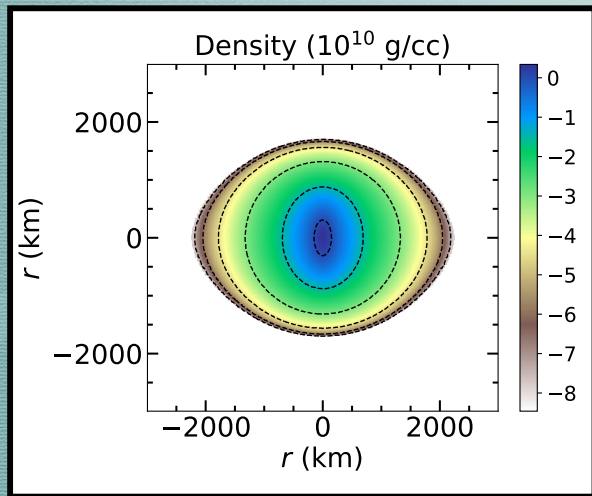
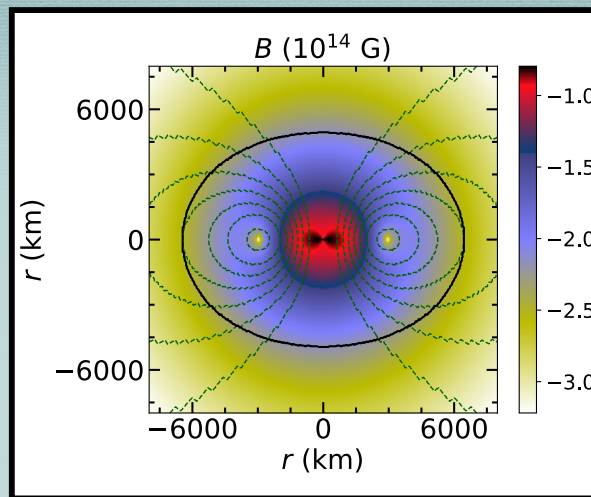
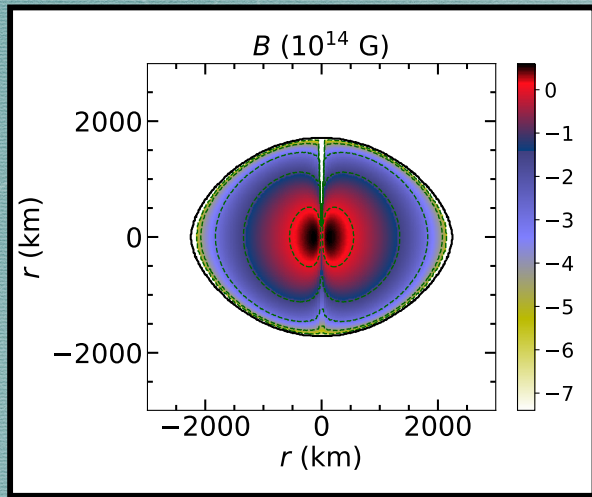
$$* E^2 = p_z^2 c^2 + m_e^2 c^4 \left(1 + 2\nu \frac{B}{B_c} \right), \quad B_c = 4.414 \times 10^{13} \text{ G}$$



* **Macroscopic effect:** Shape, size, etc.

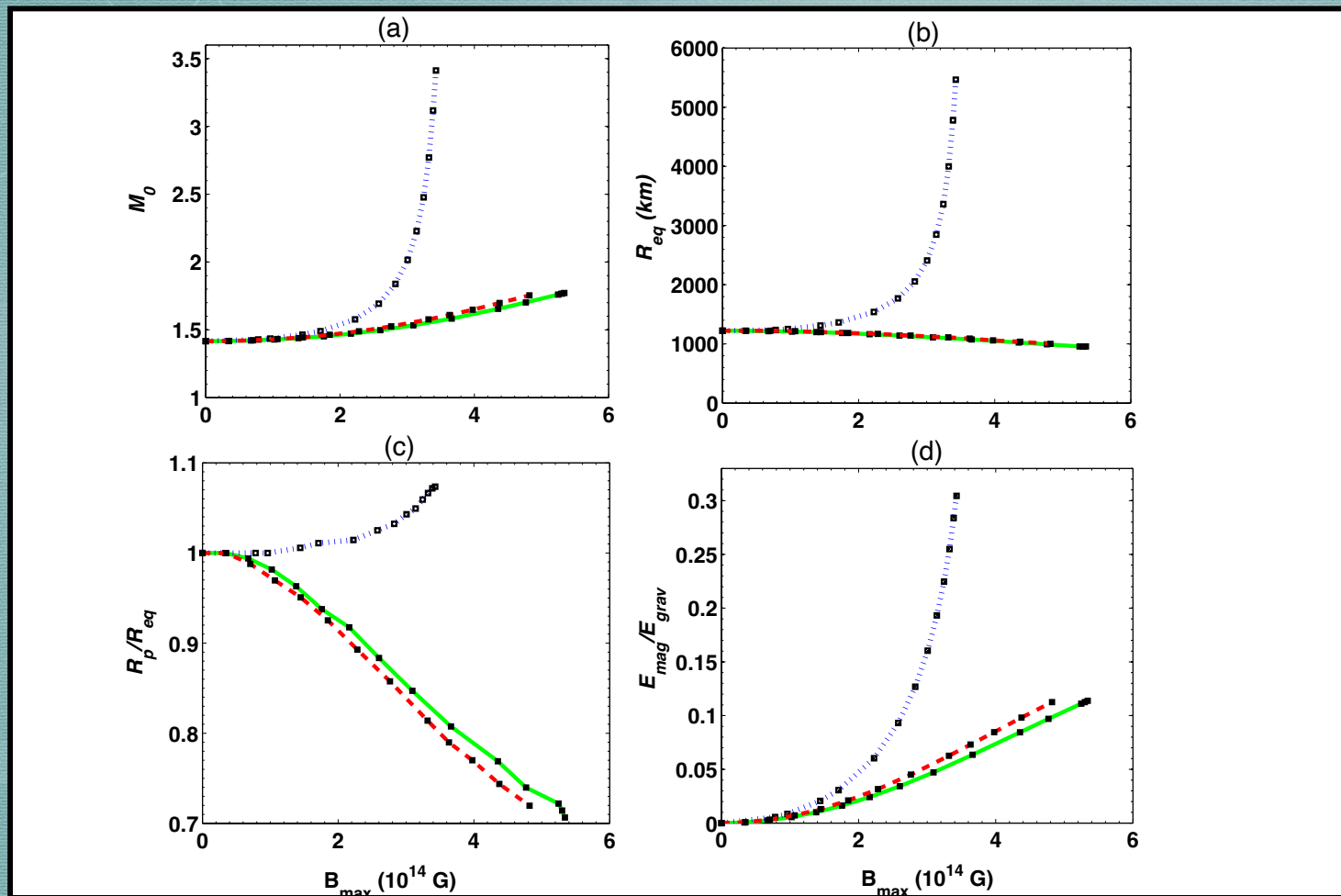
Das & Mukhopadhyay (2013)
PRL 110, 071102

Magnetized WD/NS



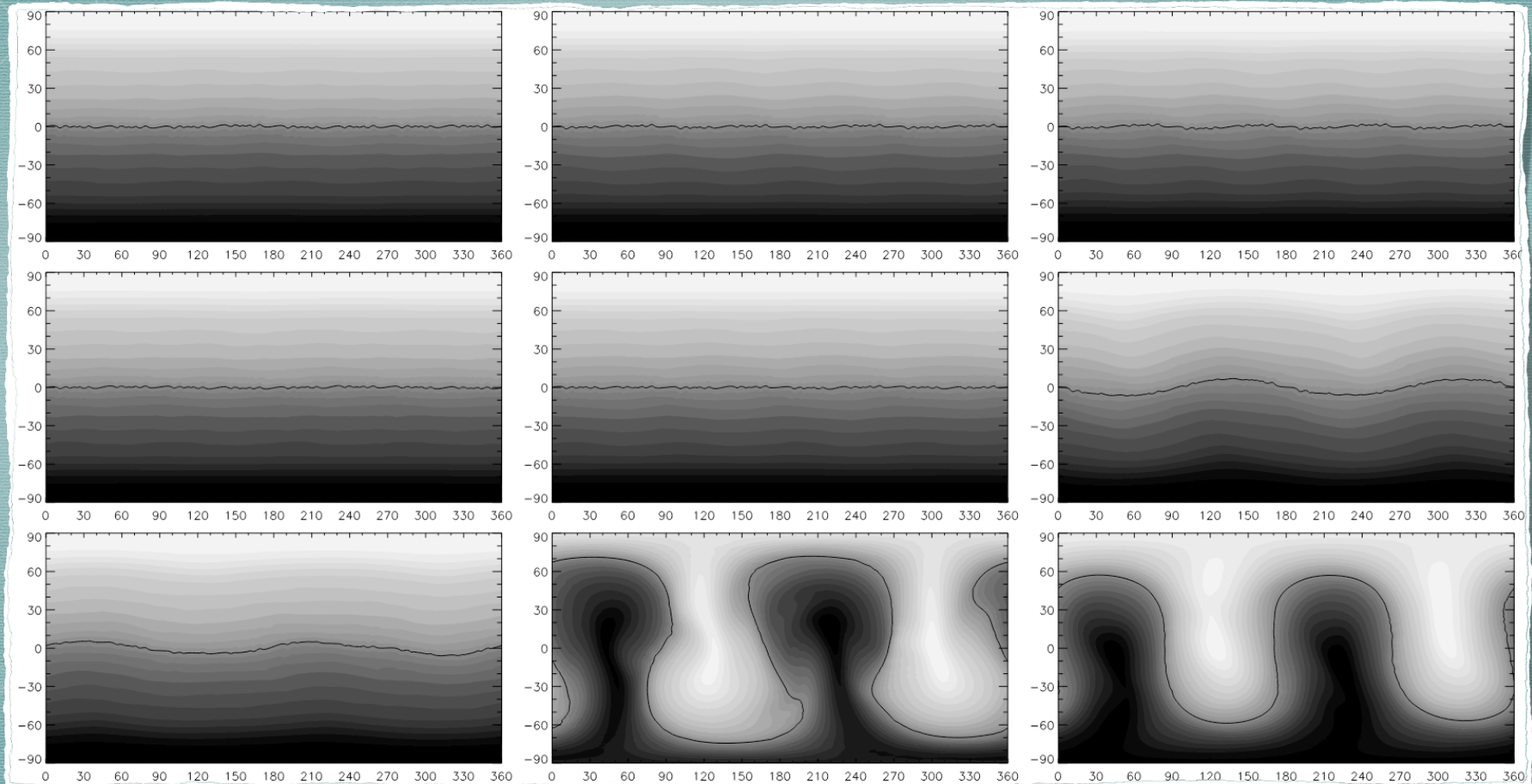
Kalita & Mukhopadhyay
MNRAS 490 (2019) 2692

Magnetized WD/NS



Das & Mukhopadhyay
JCAP 05 (2015) 016

Instability in high magnetic fields

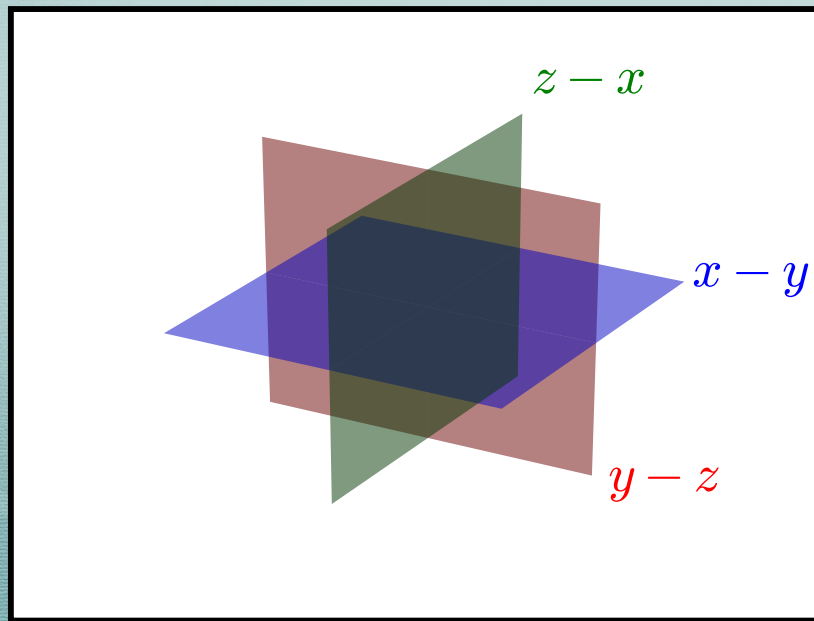


J. Braithwaite, MNRAS 397 (2009) 763

Noncommutative geometry

Ordinary quantum mechanics: (Heisenberg algebra)

$$[p_\mu, p_\nu] = 0, \quad [x_\mu, x_\nu] = 0, \quad [x_\mu, p_\nu] = i\hbar\delta_{\mu\nu}$$



Noncommutative geometry:

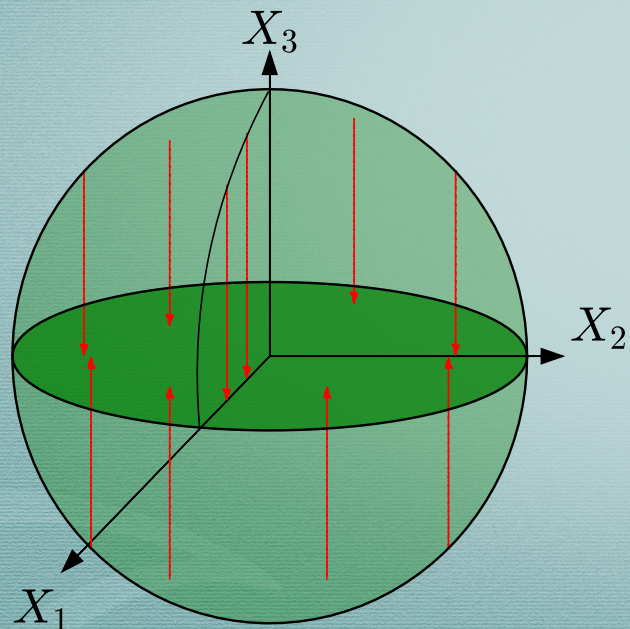
$$[\hat{p}_x, \hat{p}_y] = i\theta,$$

$$[\hat{x}, \hat{y}] = i\frac{\theta\eta^2}{4\hbar^2}$$

Fuzzy sphere NC

Angular momentum algebra

$$[J_i, J_j] = i\hbar\epsilon_{ijk}J_k$$



Andronache & Steinacker, Journal of Physics A, 48 (2015) 295401

Fuzzy sphere algebra

$$J_i \rightarrow X_i = \frac{k}{r}J_i$$

$$[X_i, X_j] = i\frac{k\hbar}{r}\epsilon_{ijk}X_k$$

Madore, CGQ 9 (1992) 69

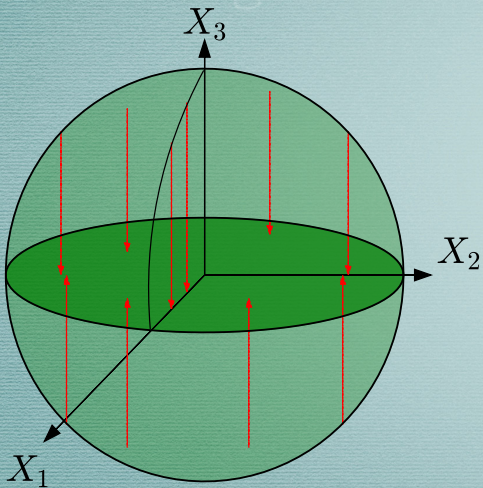
Squashed fuzzy sphere algebra

$$[X_1, X_2] = \pm i\frac{k\hbar}{r}\sqrt{r^2 - X_1^2 - X_2^2}$$

Energy dispersion relation in NC

$$J_1^2 + J_2^2 + J_3^2 = \frac{\hbar^2}{4} (N^2 - 1) \mathbb{1}_{N \times N}$$

$$k = \frac{2r^2}{\hbar\sqrt{N^2 - 1}}$$



$$\text{Dirac operator, } D = \frac{c}{k} (\sigma_1 \otimes [X_1, \cdot] + \sigma_2 \otimes [X_2, \cdot])$$

$$\text{Energy eigenvalues, } E_{l,m}^2 = \frac{2\hbar c^2}{k\sqrt{N^2 - 1}} \{l(l+1) - m(m \pm 1)\}$$

Energy dispersion relation in NC

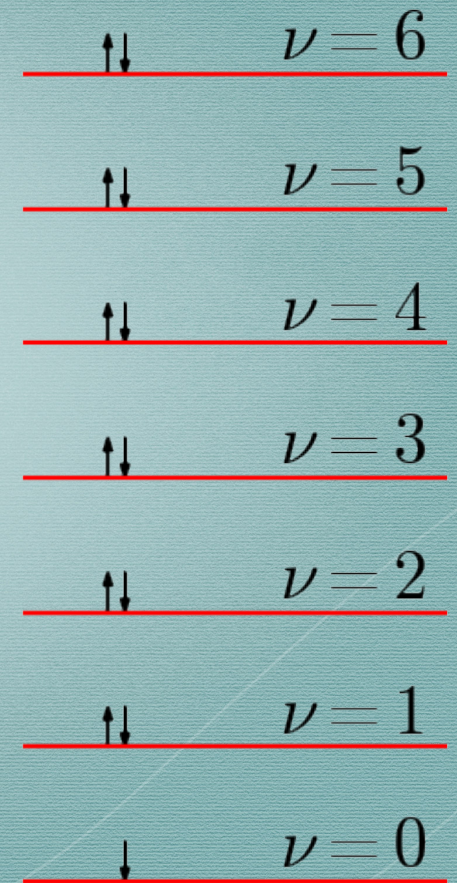
$$E^2 = p_r^2 c^2 + m_e^2 c^4 \left[1 + \{l(l+1) - m(m \pm 1)\} \frac{\hbar^2}{m_e^2 c^2 r^2} \right]$$

In the limit $N \gg 1$

$$E^2 = p_r^2 c^2 + m_e^2 c^4 \left(1 + 2\nu \frac{2\hbar}{m_e^2 c^2 k} \right), \quad \nu \in \mathbb{Z}^{0+}$$

Landau levels in magnetic field in z -direction

$$E^2 = p_z^2 c^2 + m_e^2 c^4 \left(1 + 2\nu \frac{B}{B_c} \right), \quad B_c = \frac{m_e^2 c^3}{\hbar e} = 4.414 \times 10^{13} \text{ G}$$



EoS in the presence of NC

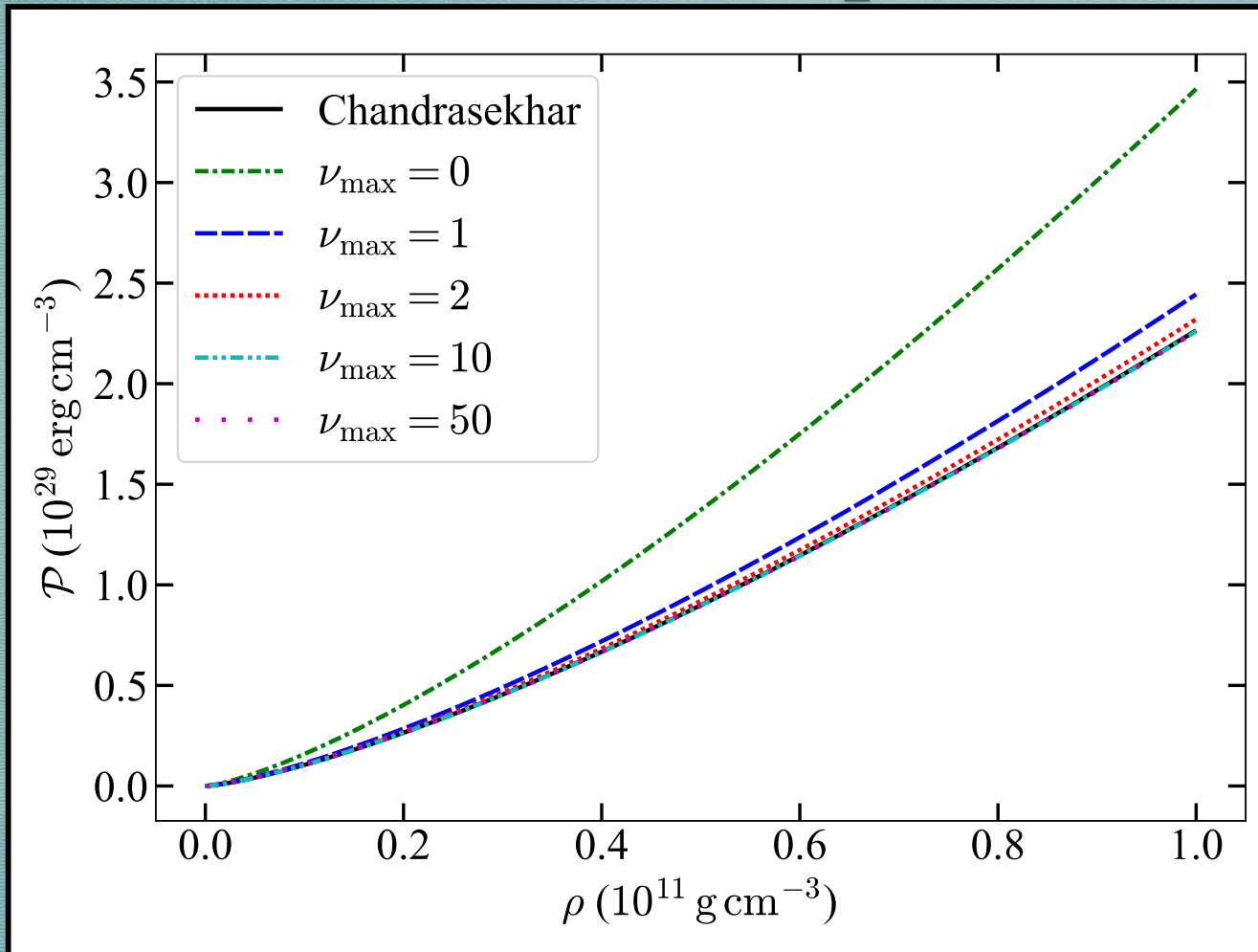
$$\frac{2}{h^3} \int d^3p \rightarrow \sum_{\nu} g_{\nu} \int \frac{4\pi\theta}{h^3} dp_z$$

$$n_e = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\nu_{\max}} \frac{4\pi m_e^3 c^3 \theta_D}{h^3} g_{\nu} x_F(\nu), \quad \theta_D = 2\hbar/m_e^2 c^2 k, \quad x_F = \frac{p_F}{m_e c}$$

$$P = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\nu_{\max}} \frac{2\pi m_e^4 c^5 \theta_D}{h^3} g_{\nu} \left[\epsilon_F x_F(\nu) - (1 + 2\nu\theta_D) \log \left(\frac{\epsilon_F + x_F(\nu)}{\sqrt{1 + 2\nu\theta_D}} \right) \right]$$

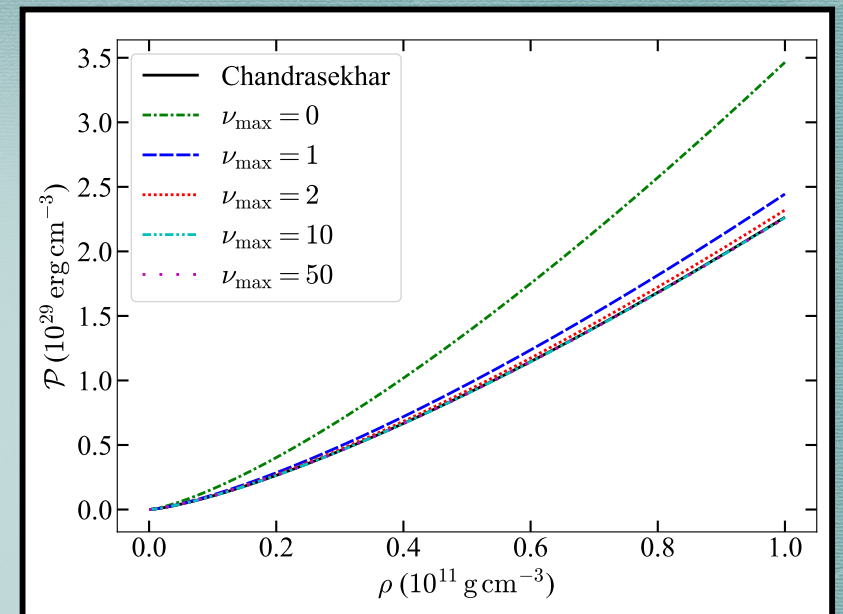
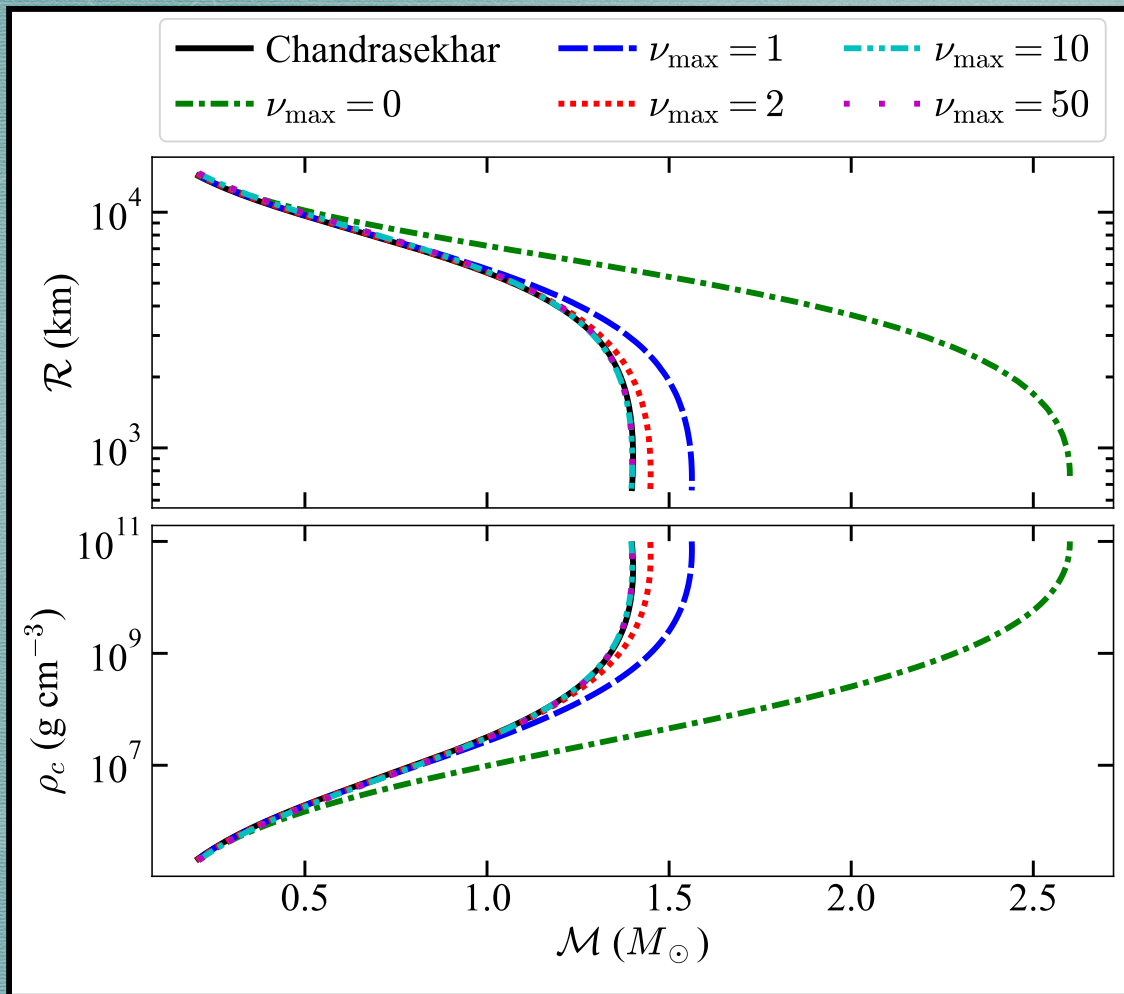
$$\rho = \mu_e m_p n_e$$

EoS in the presence of NC



Kalita et al. (2021)
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WD mass-radius relation in NC



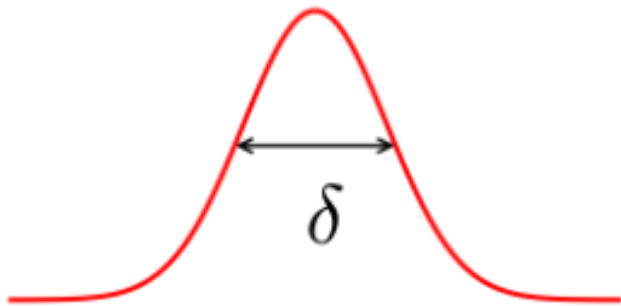
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Scales of NC

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Salecker & Wigner, Physical Review, 109 (1958) 571

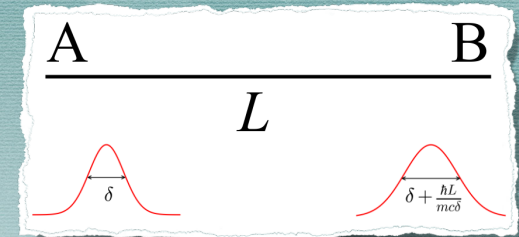
Scales of NC

- $\delta \rightarrow \delta + \frac{\hbar L}{mc\delta}$

- It has a minimum at $\delta = \left(\frac{\hbar L}{mc}\right)^{1/2}$, implying $\delta^2 \gtrsim \frac{\hbar L}{mc}$

- From GR, we know $\delta \gtrsim \frac{Gm}{c^2}$

- Combining them, we have $\delta^3 \gtrsim \frac{L\hbar G}{c^3} \implies \delta \gtrsim (LL_P^2)^{1/3}$



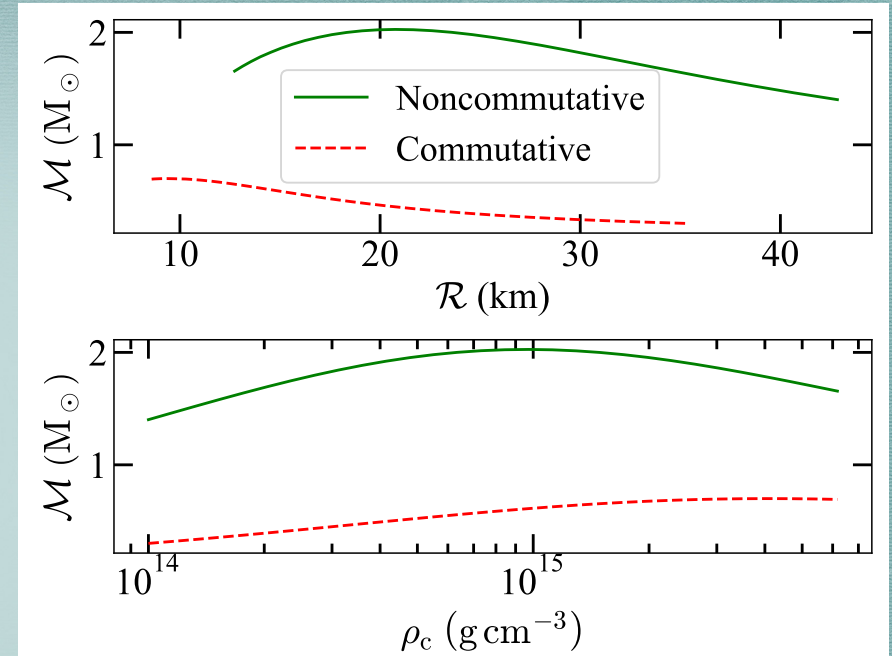
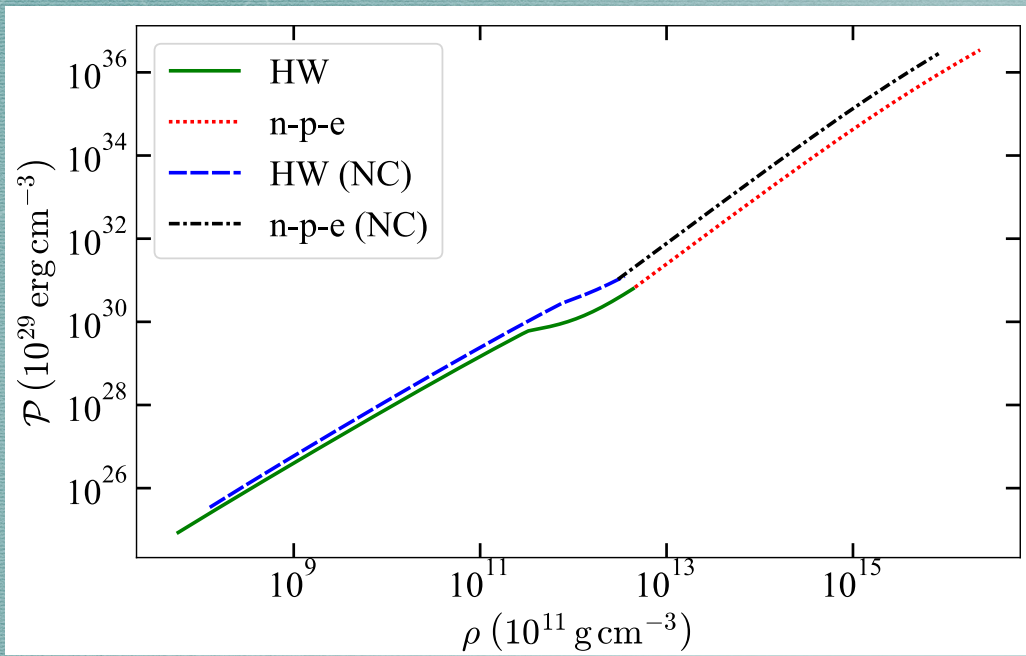
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Scales of NC

$$E^2 = p_r^2 c^2 + m_e^2 c^4 \left(1 + 2\nu \frac{\lambda_e^2}{2\pi^2 \hbar k} \right), \quad k = \xi \frac{\mu_e^{2/3} m_p^{2/3}}{h\rho^{2/3}}$$

- * NC is prominent if $\lambda_e^2 \gtrsim 2\pi^2 \hbar k$.
- * $L \lesssim \lambda_e / \sqrt{\pi\xi} = L_{\text{eff}}$
- * **(General thought)** NC is prominent only at the Planck scale.
- * New uncertainty in length scale $\delta \sim (LL_P^2)^{1/3}$, where L_P is the Planck length.
- * Hence, uncertainty in length scale is $\delta \lesssim (\lambda_e L_P^2)^{1/3}$.

NC in NS



Kalita & Mukhopadhyay (2022)
Universe 8, 388

Conclusions

- NC behaves as an internal magnetic fields.
- Systems's length scale is important for the prominence of NC.
- For WDs, $\delta \lesssim (\lambda_e L_P^2)^{1/3}$.
- Massive WDs and NSs can be explained through NC.
- Magnetic field, rotation, modified gravity, etc. are some other physics to explain massive WDs and NSs.
- GW observations in the future can single out these theories.

Thanks