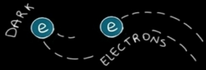

Effect of dark matter on observable neutron star's properties and it's discrimination from the strongly interacting matter equation of state

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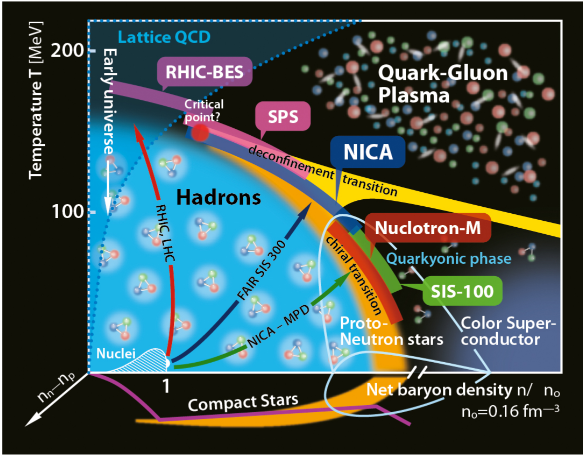
Strongly Interacting Matter Phase Diagram



Constraints on the EoS

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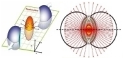

- **proton flow**

anisotropic expansion is caused by gradient of pressure, which gives an access to EoS

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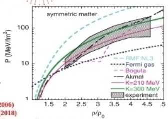

- **hadron multiplicities**

hard core radii of hadrons control the rate of their production in thermal medium: R= 0.3 - 0.5 fm

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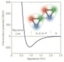
- **nucleon-nucleon scattering**



hard core radius of nucleons extracted as a parameter of microscopic interaction potential: R = 0.5 fm

M. Naghdi, Phys. Part. Nucl. 5, 924 (2014)

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- **~ 2 Msun**

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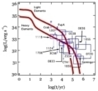

- **NICER results**
- **NSs cooling**
- **observations of pulsars**

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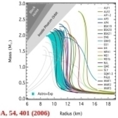
M-R relation



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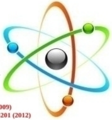

- **nuclear matter ground state**
  - binding energy per nucleon at saturation density n$_0$:
    $n_0 = 0.16 \pm 0.01\ \text{fm}^{-3}$, $E(n_0)/A = -16.0 \pm 1.0$ MeV
  - incompressibility at n$_0$:
    K$_0$= 200 - 260 MeV
  - symmetry energy at n$_0$:
    S(n$_0$) ≡ J = 30 ± 4 MeV
  - symmetry energy slope at n$_0$: $L \equiv 3n_0 \left(\frac{\partial S(n_B)}{\partial n_B}\right)_{n_B=n_0}$ = 20 -115 MeV

E. Khan, Phys.Rev. C, 80, 011307 (2009)
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2 NS+NS mergers

GW170817

GW190425

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Love numbers and tidal polarizability are highly sensitive to EoS

LIGO and Virgo collaborations, PRL 119, 161101 (2017)
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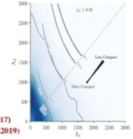


General Requirements

- causality
- thermodynamic consistency
- multicomponent character (n, p, e, ...)
- electric neutrality
- β-equilibrium
- realistic interaction between the constituents

DM candidates

credits: Symmetry magazine

DM accumulation regimes

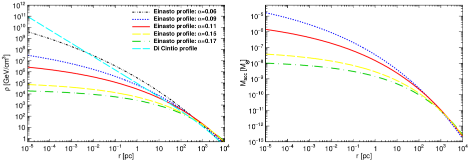
- Progenitor
  During the star formation stage the initial mixture of DM and BM contracting to form the progenitor star. Trapped DM undergoes scattering processes with baryons leading to its kinetic energy loss and thermalisation.
- Main sequence (MS) star
  From this stage of star evolution accretion rate increases due to big gravitational potential of the star. In the most central Galaxy region $M_{acc} \approx 10^{-5} M_{\odot} - 10^{-9} M_{\odot}$.
- Supernova explosion & formation of a proto-NS
  The newly-born NS should be surrounded by the dense cloud of DM particles with the temperature and radius that corresponds to the last stage of MS star evolution, i.e. a star with a silicone core.

  Kouvaris & Tinyakov 2010

  In addition, a significant amount of DM can be produced during the supernova explosion and mostly remain trapped inside the star.
- Equilibrated NS

$$M_{acc} \approx 10^{-14} \left(\frac{\rho_\chi}{0.3 \, \frac{GeV}{cm^3}} \right) \left(\frac{\sigma_{\chi n}}{10^{-45} \, cm^2} \right) \left(\frac{t}{Gyr} \right) M_{\odot} \,, \qquad \textbf{(1)}$$

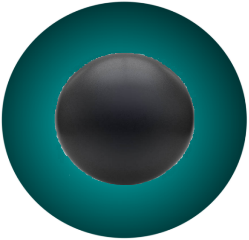
In the most central Galaxy region $M_{acc} \approx 10^{-5} M_{\odot} - 10^{-8} M_{\odot}$.



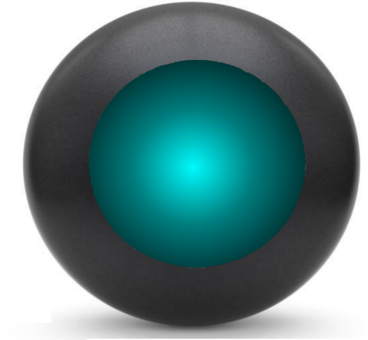
Del Popolo+ 2019

DM and NS structure

dark matter core



dark core inside a NS



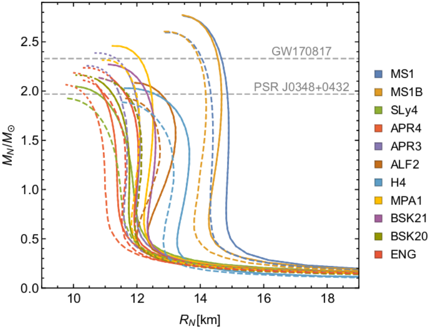
dark halo around a NS

Dark matter and baryon components do not expel each other but overlap due to absence of non-gravitational interaction

Effect of DM on Mass and Radius

- DM core ⇒ decrease of the maximum mass and observed stellar radius
- DM halo ⇒ increase of the maximum mass and the outermost radius

Ciarcelluti & Sandin 2011; Nelson+ 2019; Deliyergiyev+ 2019; Ivanytskyi+2020; Das+ 2020; Del Popolo+ 2020; Karkevandi+ 2022



DM core contributing to 5% of the total NS mass

$$\sqrt{\sigma_\mathrm{D}}/m_\mathrm{D}^3 = 0.05\,\mathrm{GeV}^{-2}$$

Ellis+ 2018

TOV equations - two fluid system

2 TOV equations:

$$\frac{dp_B}{dr} = -\frac{(\epsilon_B + p_B)(M + 4\pi r^3 p)}{r^2\,(1 - 2M/r)}$$

$$\frac{dp_D}{dr} = -\frac{(\epsilon_D + p_D)(M + 4\pi r^3 p)}{r^2\,(1 - 2M/r)}$$

BM and DM are coupled only through gravity, and their energy-momentum tensors are conserved separately

total pressure $p(r) = p_B(r) + p_D(r)$

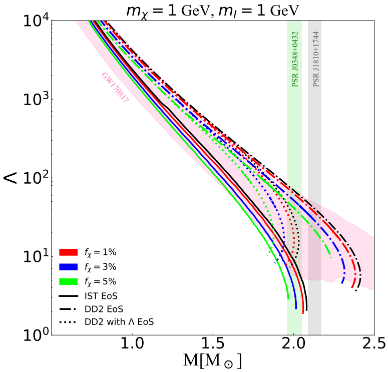
gravitational mass $M(r) = M_B(r) + M_D(r)$, where $M_j(r) = 4\pi \int_0^r \epsilon_j(r')r'^2 dr'$ (j=B,D)

$M_T = M_B(R_B) + M_D(R_D)$ - total gravitational mass

Fraction of DM inside the star:

$$f_\chi = \frac{M_D(R_D)}{M_T}$$

Tidal deformabilities of DM-admixed NS



Ellis+ 2018; **Bezares+ 2019**, **Sagun+ 2022**; **Karkevandi+2022**; **Miao+2022**; **Leung+2022**

Tidal deformability parameter

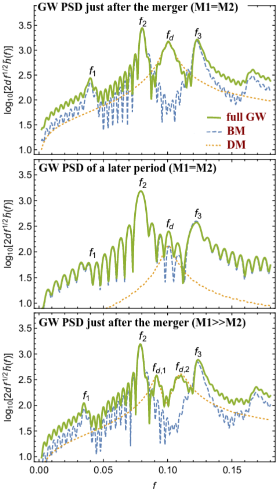
$$\Lambda = \frac{2}{3} k_2 \left(\frac{R_{\text{outermost}}}{M_{\text{tot}}} \right)^5$$

k_2 – Love's number.

- $R_{outermost} = R_B \geq R_D$ - DM core
- $R_{outermost} = R_D > R_B$ - DM halo

Speed of sound should be calculated for two-fluid system **Das+ 2020**

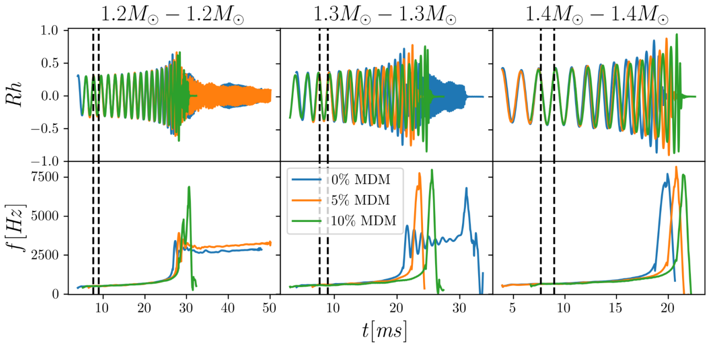
Effect of DM on GW waveform



Giudice+ 2016; Ellis+ 2018; Bezares+ 2019

The DM cores may produce a supplementary peak in the characteristic GW spectrum of NS mergers, which can be clearly distinguished from the features induced by the baryon component

Gravitational waveform and frequency



- decrease of the disk mass ⇒ increasing DM fraction
- higher DM fraction ⇒ faster formation of the BH after the merger and harder to eject material from the bulk of the stars prior to the BH formation.
- lack of DM ejecta and debris disks ⇒ is related to its concentration in the NS core

	M_{ej} sphere ($M_\odot$)	M_{ej} integral ($M_\odot$)	M_{disk} ($M_\odot$)	$f_{merger}[Hz]$
SLy_M14_0	-	-	0.001	1770
SLy_M14_5	-	-	0.0008	2030
SLy_M14_10	-	-	0.0014	2058
SLy_M13_0	0.0168	$4.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.062	1817
SLy_M13_5	0	$0.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.001	1910
SLy_M13_10	0	$0.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.0006	2221
SLy_M12_0	0	$0.3 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.19*	1746
SLy_M12_5	0.0016	$2.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.16*	1818
SLy_M12_10	0.0027	$3.3 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.017	2198

Emma+ 2022

DM admixed NSs

3 NSs with mass above $2M_\odot$

- PSR J0348+0432: $M = 2.01^{+0.04}_{-0.04} M_\odot$ (Antoniadis+ 2013)
- PSR J0740+6620: $M = 2.14^{+0.10}_{-0.09} M_\odot$ (Cromartie+ 2019)
- PSR J1810+1744: $M = 2.13^{+0.04}_{-0.04} M_\odot$ (Romani+ 2021)

Dark matter EoS

- **Asymmetric dark matter**
  relativistic Fermi gas of noninteracting particles with the spin 1/2

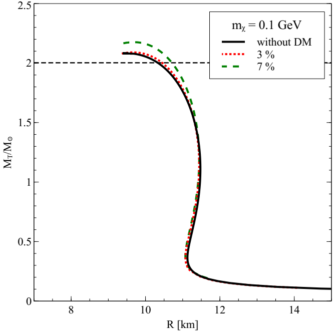
Nelson+ 2019

Baryon matter EoS

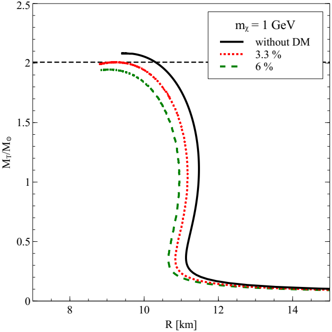
- **EoS with induced surface tension (IST EoS)**
  consistent with:
  nuclear matter ground state properties,
  proton flow data,
  heavy-ion collisions data,
  astrophysical observations,
  tidal deformability constraint from the NS-NS merger (GW170817)

VS+ 2019; VS+ 2014

Mass-Radius diagram of the DM admixed NSs



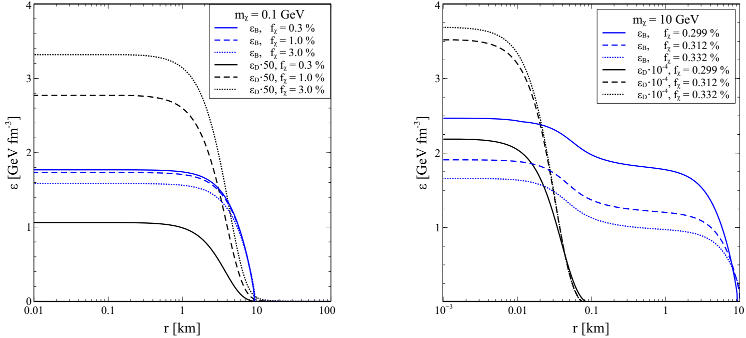
$M_{max} > 2\ M_\odot$ for any f_χ



for $f_\chi = 3.3$ % M_{max} equals to 2 $M_\odot$
further increase of the DM fraction
leads to $M_{max} < 2\ M_\odot$

Ivanytskyi+ 2020

Internal structure of the stars

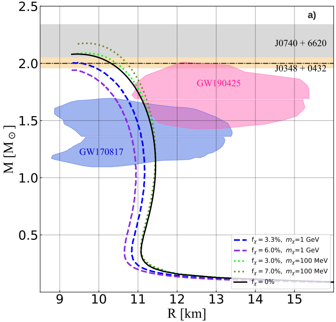


$R_D = 9.4$ km for $f_\chi = 0.3\%$
$R_D = 21.2$ km for $f_\chi = 1.0$ %
$R_D = 135.2$ km for $f_\chi = 3.0$ %

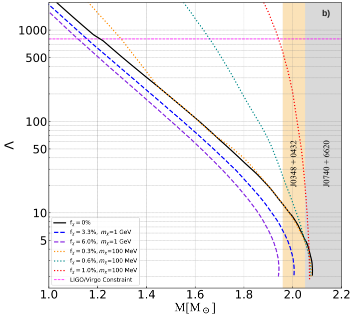
Large values of R_D relate to the existence of dilute and extended halos of DM around a baryon core of NS

DM admixed NSs

Mass-Radius diagram



Tidal deformabilities

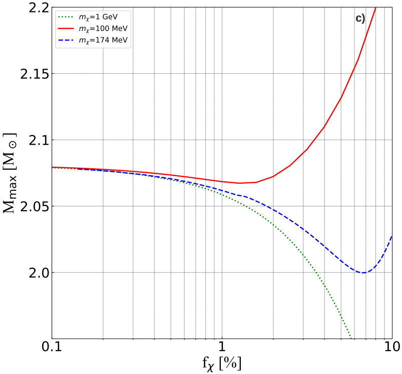


$$\Lambda = \frac{2}{3} k_2 \left(\frac{R_{\rm outermost}}{M_{\rm tot}}\right)^5 \longrightarrow \Lambda(1.4\mathrm{M}_\odot) < 800; \tag{2}$$

Abbott+ 2018

Ivanytskyi+ 2020; VS+ 2022

Maximal mass of NS as a function of the DM fraction

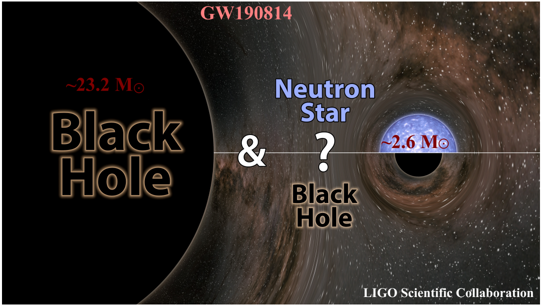


for $m_\chi = 0.174$ GeV M_{max} is 2 $M_\odot$

DM particles with $m_\chi \leq 0.174$ GeV are consistent with the 2 $M_\odot$ constraint for any f_χ

For heavier DM particles the NS mass can reach 2 $M_\odot$ only if f_χ is limited from above

What is the nature of the GW190814 secondary component?



The compact binary merger event GW190814 had primary mass component, a black hole, with $M = 23.2\ M_{\odot}$ and the second component with $M = 2.5 - 2.67\ M_{\odot}$. The nature of the secondary component raised a lot of questions.

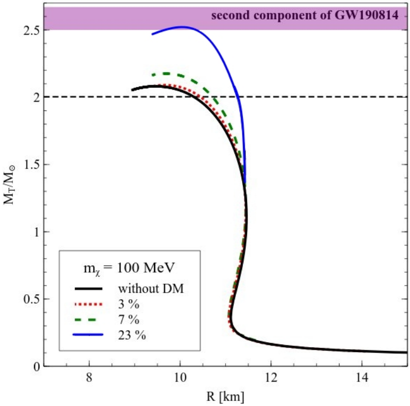
Possible explanations:

- NS with exotic degrees of freedom, e.g. hyperons and/or quarks **[Tan+ 2020; Dexheimer+ 2021]**
- highly spinning NS **[Zhang & Li 2020]**
- NS matter with extra stiffening of the EoS at high densities **[Fattoyev+ 2020]**
- BH from the 'mass gap' **[Tews+ 2021; Essick & Landry 2020]**

An alternative explanation, the secondary component of GW190814 is a DM-admixed NS

[Das+ 2021; Giovanni+ 2022]

GW190814 secondary component as a dark matter admixed neutron star



Secondary component of GW190814 could be explained by the DM extended halo formation around a NS with the DM fraction $f_\chi = 23\%$ for $m_\chi = 100$ MeV.

VS+ 2022 (In prep)

Asymmetric Bosonic Dark Matter

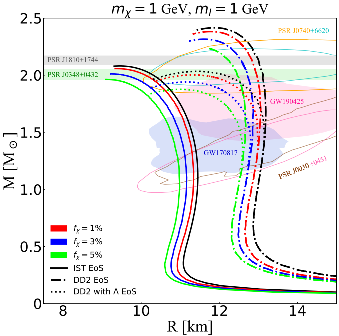
The minimal Lagrangian includes the complex scalar χ and real vector ω^μ fields, which are coupled through the covariant derivative $D^\mu = \partial^\mu - ig\omega^\mu$ with g being the corresponding coupling constant

$$\mathcal{L} = (D_\mu \chi)^* D^\mu \chi - m_\chi^2 \chi^* \chi - \frac{\Omega_{\mu\nu}\Omega^{\mu\nu}}{4} + \frac{m_\omega^2 \omega_\mu \omega^\mu}{2} \tag{3}$$

where $\Omega^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu \omega^\nu - \partial^\nu \omega^\mu$ and m_ω is the vector field mass.
Using a mean field approximation for ω, we get

$$\begin{aligned} p_\chi &= \frac{m_I^2}{4}\left(m_\chi^2 - \mu_\chi \sqrt{2m_\chi^2 - \mu_\chi^2}\right), \\ \varepsilon_\chi &= \frac{m_I^2}{4}\left(\frac{\mu_\chi^3}{\sqrt{2m_\chi^2 - \mu_\chi^2}} - m_\chi^2\right), \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

Chemical potential is limited
$\mu_\chi \in [m_\chi, \sqrt{2}m_\chi]$, m_χ - boson mass
$m_I = \frac{m_\omega}{g}$ - interaction scale



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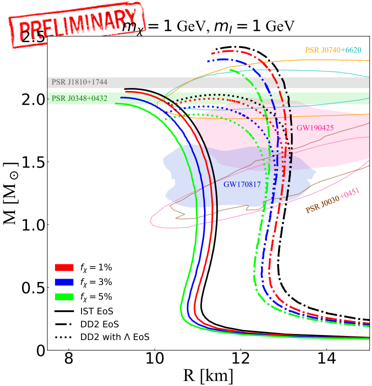

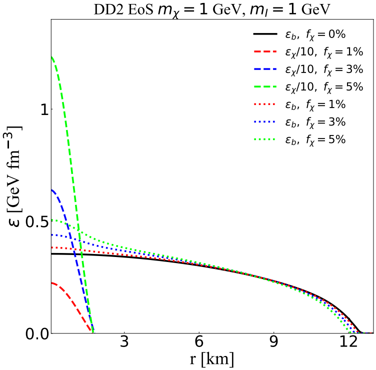

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Conclusions

- DM can be accumulated in the core of a NS ⇒ significant decrease of the maximum mass and radius of a star.
- DM halo ⇒ increase of the maximum mass and the outermost radius.
- The secondary component of the GW190814 binary merger might be a DM admixed NS.

Changing the position of the NS in the Galaxy the accretion rate of DM varies, which in turn leads to different amount of DM

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different modifications of M, R, Λ, surface temperature, etc

The effect of DM could mimic the properties of strongly interacting matter

Smoking gun of the presence of DM in NSs

- **by measuring mass, radius, and moment of inertia of NSs with few-%-accuracy.**

To see this effect we need high precision measurement of M and R of compact stars as well as NS searches in the central part of the Galaxy with

radio telescopes: MeerKAT, SKA, ngVLA plan to increase radio pulsar timing and discover Galactic center pulsars.

space telescopes: NICER, ATHENA, eXTP, STROBE-X are expected to measure M and R of NSs with high accuracy.

DM core ⇒ mass and radius reduction of NSs toward the Galaxy center
DM halo ⇒ mass increase of NSs toward the Galaxy center
or variation of mass and radius in different parts of the Galaxy

- **by performing binary numerical-relativity simulations and kilonova ejecta for DM-admixed compacts stars for different DM candidates, their particle mass, interaction strength and fractions with the further comparison to GW and electromagnetic signals.**

Large statistics on NS-NS, NS-BH mergers by LIGO/Virgo/KAGRA would be very helpful
The smoking gun of the presence of DM could be:
supplementary peak in the characteristic GW spectrum of NS mergers; exotic waveforms; modification of the kilonova ejection;
post-merger regimes: the next generation of GW detectors, i.e., the Cosmic Explorer and Einstein Telescope.

- **by detecting objects that go in contradiction with our understanding.**

As a potential candidate for a DM-admixed NS could be the secondary component of GW190814.

- **High/low surface temperature of NSs towards the Galaxy center**

Thanks for your attention!