

# Lectures on Nuclear and Hadron Physics

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# Introduction

EFT with short- and long range few-nucleon interactions is quite advanced in vacuum

Pion-nucleon interactions in nuclear matter are already largely exploited, considering chiral Lagrangians

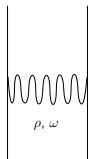
For a recent review: [Epelbaum, Hammer, Meißner, Rev.Mod.Phys.81\(2009\)1773](#)

Commonly, free parameters are fixed to nuclear matter properties

Many important results and studies of nuclear processes have been accomplished.

Nonetheless the development of a Chiral EFT in nuclear matter is a left problem of foremost importance:

- Need of a in-medium power counting to include both short- and long-range multi- $N$  interactions



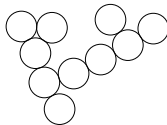
Boson exchange models: Short range interactions are due to exchanges of heavier mesons like  $\rho$ ,  $\omega$ , etc

- The power counting has to take into account
- In reducible diagrams for  $NN$ -interactions  $N$ -propagators are enhanced,  $\frac{1}{k^0 - E_{\mathbf{k}} + i\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-2})$

S. Weinberg, Nucl.Phys.B363(1991)3

- In-medium multi- $N$  interactions must be taken into account consistently with the vacuum Machleidt, Entem, J. Phys. G 37 (2010) 064041: stress that 3NF is one of the most important outstanding issues in chiral EFT approach to nuclear forces

- Any number of closed nucleon loops can be arranged in any way



- Pion-nucleon interactions have to be included with the same requirements

# Chiral power counting

$$E_k = |\mathbf{k}|^2/2m$$

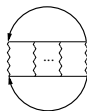
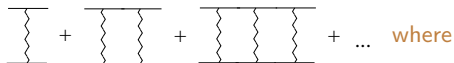
$$G_0(k)_{i_3} = \frac{\theta(|\mathbf{k}| - \xi_{i_3})}{k_0 - E_k + i\epsilon} + \frac{\theta(\xi_{i_3} - |\mathbf{k}|)}{k_0 - E_k - i\epsilon} = \frac{1}{k_0 - E_k + i\epsilon} + 2\pi i \delta(k_0 - E_k) \theta(\xi_{i_3} - k)$$

If  $k_0 \sim \mathcal{O}(p)$ : **Standard counting**  $\longrightarrow$

$$G_0(k) \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-1}) \quad 1/|\mathbf{p}|$$

If  $k_0 \sim \mathcal{O}(p^2)$ : **Non-standard counting**  $\longrightarrow$

$$G_0(k) \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-2}) \quad 1/|\mathbf{p}| \times 2m/|\mathbf{p}|$$



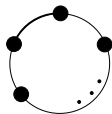
The NN reducible diagrams are very abundant in the nuclear medium

Every nucleon propagator  $G_0(k)_{i_3} \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-2})$

**Despite this the chiral power counting is still bounded from below**

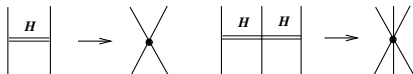
Concept of in-medium generalized vertex (IGV):

**thick line: Fermi sea insertion**, thin lines: full in-medium nucleon propagator, filled circles: bilinear nucleon vertices



JAO, Phys. Rev. C65(2002)025204; Meißner, JAO, Wirzba, Ann. Phys. 297(2002)27

Let  $\mathbf{H}$  be an auxiliary field for heavy mesons responsible for short range  $2N, 3N, \dots$  interactions, the  $\mathbf{H}$ -“propagator” counts as  $\mathcal{O}(p^0)^{[1]}$



Short-range interactions enter the counting via bilinear vertices of  $\mathcal{O}(\geq p^0)$

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(2n)} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(n)} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{NN}^{(2n)} + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{NN}^{(0)} = -\frac{1}{2}C_S(N^\dagger N)^2 - \frac{1}{2}C_T(N^\dagger \vec{\sigma} N)^2$$

- $\xi_F \sim M_\pi \sim q_\pi \sim \mathcal{O}(p)$  ,  $\Delta_\pi(k^2) \sim \mathcal{O}(k^{-2})$
- $G_0(k) \sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-2})$
- $m \sim 4\pi f_\pi \sim C \sim \pi \sim f_\pi \sim \mathcal{O}(p^0)$

$$\nu = 4L_H + 4L_\pi - 2I_\pi + \sum_{i=1}^V d_i - \sum_{i=1}^{V_\rho} 2m_i + \sum_{i=1}^{V_\pi} \ell_i + \sum_{i=1}^{V_\rho} 3$$

$V_\rho$  number of IGV.

$m_i$  number of nucleon propagators (minus one) in the  $i_{th}$  IGV.

$L_H, L_\pi$  number of heavy meson and pion loops.

$I_\pi$  number of internal pion lines.

$V$  number of bilinear vertices.

$d_i$  chiral dimension of a bilinear vertex.

$V_\pi$  number of purely mesonic vertices.

$\ell_i$  chiral dimension of a purely mesonic vertex.

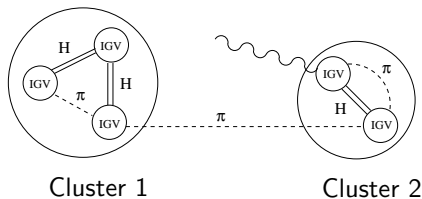


A **Cluster** is a set of IGV joined by  $H$ s. Its number is  $V_\Phi$ .

$$L_H = I_H - \sum_{i=1}^{V_\Phi} (V_{\rho,i} - 1) = I_H - V_\rho + V_\Phi ,$$

$$L_\pi = I_\pi - V_\pi - V_\Phi + 1 ,$$

$$L_H + L_\pi = I_H + I_\pi - V_\pi - V_\rho + 1 .$$



**Figure:** IGVs separated in two clusters. Here  $V_\rho = 5$ ,  $V_\Phi = 2$ ,  $I_\pi = 3$ ,  $I_H = 3$  and  $E = 1$ .  $L_\pi = 2$  and  $L_H = 0$ .

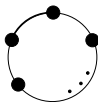
$$\xi_F \sim M_\pi \sim q_\pi \sim \mathcal{O}(p)$$

Order  $p^\nu$  of a diagram:<sup>[1]</sup>

$$\nu = 4 - E_\pi + \sum_{i=1}^{V_\pi} (n_i + l_i - 4) + \sum_{i=1}^{V_B} (d_i + v_i + \omega_i - 2) + V_\rho$$

$\nu$  is bounded from below (modulo external sources):

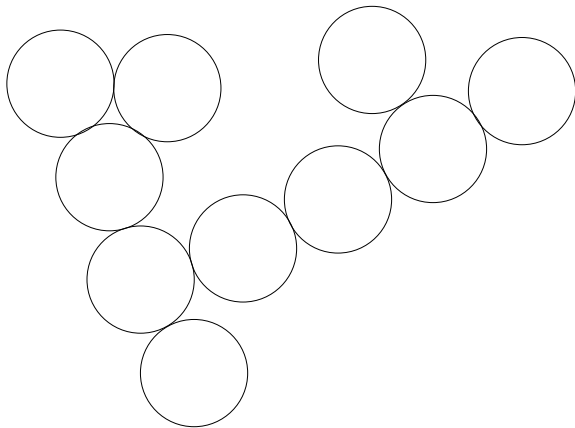
- ① Adding pions to pionic vertices:  $n_i \geq 2, l_i \geq 2$
- ② Nucleon mass renormalization terms:  $d_i \geq 2, \omega_i = 0, v_i \geq 0$
- ③ Adding pions to pion-nucleon vertices:  $d_i \geq 1, \omega_i = 0, v_i \geq 1$
- ④ Adding heavy mesons to bilinear vertices:  $d_i \geq 0, \omega_i \geq 1, v_i \geq 1$
- ⑤  $V_\rho \Rightarrow$  adding 1 IGV rises the counting at least by 1



IGV

The actual order of a diagram may be higher, due to  $\mathcal{O}(p^{-1})$  nucleon propagators from standard- $\chi$ PT.

3 & 4 give rise to the resummation of certain types of diagrams!





Adding one extra IGW

$$\frac{2m}{k^2} \quad \& \quad \frac{2m}{k^2} \frac{k^3}{6\pi^2} \frac{2m}{k^2} \frac{g_A^2}{4f_\pi^2}$$

Relative factor (Extra factor of  $\pi^{-1}$ ):

$$\frac{g_A^2 m k}{12\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \sim \frac{k}{2.3\pi f_\pi} = \frac{k}{\Lambda}$$

$$\Lambda = \nu\pi f_\pi, \quad \nu \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

Twice iterated pion exchange:

$$\frac{m}{k^2} \quad \& \quad \frac{m}{k^2} \frac{k^3}{6\pi^2} \frac{2m}{k^2} \left( \frac{g_A^2}{4f_\pi^2} \right)^2 L_{10}$$

The same factor as before

$$\times -i \frac{g_A^2 m}{4\pi f_\pi} \frac{k}{4f_\pi} \lesssim 1$$

In the medium: imaginary part is suppressed (hole-hole part) and a real part  $m\xi_F/4\pi^2$  stems

$$\times \frac{g_A^2 m}{4\pi f_\pi} \frac{\xi_F}{4\pi f_\pi} \sim \frac{\xi_F}{3\pi f_\pi}$$

$k \sim M_\pi \sim \xi_F$  is the most important region for this physics

$$T_{NN} \sim \frac{4\pi/m}{-\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2}rk^2 + \dots - ip} \quad rk^2/2 \text{ rapidly overcomes } -1/a \quad (|a| \gg 1)$$

Sum over states below the Fermi seas: The measure  $\int k^2 dk$  kills low three-momenta.

The power counting equation is applied increasing step by step  $V_\rho$ .

Augmenting the number of lines in a diagram **without increasing** the chiral power by adding:

- 1 Pionic lines attached to lowest order mesonic vertices,  $\ell_i = n_i = 2$
- 2 Pionic lines attached to lowest order meson-baryon vertices,  
 $d_i = v_i = 1$
- 3 Heavy mesonic lines attached to lowest order bilinear vertices,  
 $d_i = 0, \omega_i = 1$ .

Source of **non-perturbative** physics. These rule give rise to infinite resummations.

# Nuclear matter energy density - Contributions

$$V_\rho = 1$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^5)$$

Leading Order



1

$$V_\rho = 1$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^6)$$

Next-to-leading Order

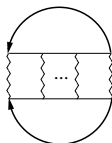


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$$V_\rho = 2$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^6)$$

Next-to-leading Order



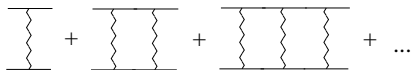
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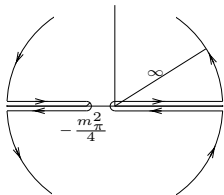
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# NN interactions:

LO in the chiral expansion:  $d_i = 1, v_i = 1, \omega_i = 0$  OPE  
 $d_i = 0, v_i = 1, \omega_i = 1$  Local Terms



A NN Partial Wave has: Left-Hand Cut (LHC)  $\mathbf{p}^2 < -m_\pi^2/4$   
 Right-Hand Cut (RHC)  $\mathbf{p}^2 > 0$   
 Unitarity Cut



## Elastic Case

$$\text{Im}T_{JI}(\ell', \ell, S)^{-1} = -\frac{m|\mathbf{p}|}{4\pi} \quad \text{for } \mathbf{p}^2 > 0$$

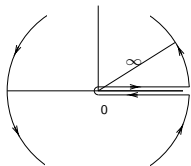
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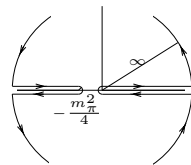
## Once Subtracted Dispersion Relations

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{JI}(\ell', \ell, S) &= [N_{JI}(\ell', \ell, S)^{-1} + \cdot g]^{-1} \\
 &= [I + N_{JI}(\ell', \ell, S) \cdot g]^{-1} \cdot N_{JI}(\ell', \ell, S)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(A) &= g(D) - \frac{m(A-D)}{4\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dk^2 \frac{k}{(k^2 - A - i\epsilon)(k^2 - D - i\epsilon)} \\
 &\equiv g_0 - i \frac{m\sqrt{A}}{4\pi}, \quad D = 0
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{JI}^{-1}(A) &= T_{JI}^{-1}(D) - \frac{m(A-D)}{4\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dk^2 \frac{k}{(k^2 - A - i\epsilon)(k^2 - D)} \\
 &\quad - \frac{(A-D)}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{-m^2/4} dk^2 \frac{\text{Im}T_{JI}/|T_{JI}|^2}{(k^2 - A - i\epsilon)(k^2 - D)}
 \end{aligned}$$



## Subtraction constants

One for every S-wave. Determined from the scattering lengths.  
0 for higher partial waves.  $T_{JI}(A=0) = 0$  for  $\ell$  or  $\ell' > 0$

Integral equation for  $N_{JI}(\ell', \ell, S)$ :

Interaction kernel:  $N_{JI}(\ell', \ell, S)$

Unitarity loop  $g$ :



$$T_{JI} = [N_{JI}^{-1} + g]^{-1}:$$

$$\text{Im}N_{JI} = \frac{|N_{JI}|^2}{|T_{JI}|^2} \text{Im}T_{JI} = |1 + gN_{JI}|^2 \text{Im}T_{JI} \quad , \quad |\mathbf{p}|^2 < -\frac{m^2}{4} .$$

$$N_{JI}(A) = N_{JI}(D) + \frac{A - D}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{-m^2/4} dk^2 \frac{\text{Im}T_{JI}(k^2) |1 + g(k^2)N_{JI}(k^2)|^2}{(k^2 - A - i\epsilon)(k^2 - D)}$$

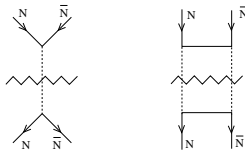
The LHC Input:  $\text{Im}T_{JI}(\mathbf{p}^2)$ ,  $\mathbf{p}^2 < -m_\pi^2/4$

Intermediate states contain pionic lines.

It can be calculated perturbatively in CHPT.

Crossed dynamics  $N\bar{N} \rightarrow N\bar{N}$

$t, u = m_\pi^2, > 4m_\pi^2, \dots$



Two Subtraction Constants?:  $g(D)$  and  $N_{JI}(D)$

There is only one independent subtraction constant,  $T_{JI}(D)$

Analogy with Renormalization Theory:

$D$  is like the “Renormalization Scale”

$g(D)$  is like the “Renormalization Scheme”

$N_{JI}(D)$  depends on  $g(D)$  but  $T_{JI}(A)$  is  $g(D)$  Independent

$D = 0$  is taken

S-waves:

$$N_{JI}(0) = \frac{-1}{g_0 + \frac{m}{4\pi a_s}}$$

Higher partial waves:

$$N_{JI}(0) = 0$$

The convergence in the iterative solution for  $N_{JI}$  improves for

$$g_0 \simeq -\frac{mm_\pi}{4\pi} \text{ or } g\left(-\frac{m_\pi^2}{4}\right) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{N_{JI}(A)} + g_0 = F_{JI}(A) \quad \text{is independent of } g_0$$

It is enough to know  $N_{JI}(A)$  for just one value of  $g_0$

$$N_{JI}(A) = \frac{1}{F(A) - g_0}$$

# Algebraic Approximate Solution for $N_{JI}(A)$

It yields Unitary  $\chi$ PT (UCHPT): **Regulator Dependent Solutions**

JAO, Oset, NPA620(1997)438; PRD60(1999)074023; JAO, Meißner, PLB500(2001)263.

$$\text{Im}N_{JI} = \frac{|N_{JI}|^2}{|T_{JI}|^2} \text{Im}T_{JI} = |1 + gN_{JI}|^2 \text{Im}T_{JI} \quad , \quad |\mathbf{p}|^2 < -\frac{m_\pi^2}{4} .$$

$$N_{JI}(A) = N_{JI}(D) + \frac{A - D}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{-m_\pi^2/4} dk^2 \frac{\text{Im}T_{JI}(k^2) |1 + g(k^2)N_{JI}(k^2)|^2}{(k^2 - A - i\epsilon)(k^2 - D)}$$

We take  $g_0$  such that  $g(\mathbf{p}^2) = 0$  for  $\mathbf{p}^2 \simeq -m_\pi^2 \rightarrow |\mathbf{p}| \simeq im_\pi$

$$g(\mathbf{p}^2) = g_0 - i \frac{m|\mathbf{p}|}{4\pi} \approx 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{natural value: } g_0 \simeq -\frac{mm_\pi}{4\pi} = -0.54 m_\pi^2$$

$g$  is treated as small along low-energy LHC,  $\sim \mathcal{O}(p)$

An approximate algebraic solution for  $N_{JI}$  results in powers of  $g$

Two expansions: The **Chiral** one and that in powers of  $g$

We join them simultaneously,  $g(\mathbf{p}^2) \simeq \mathcal{O}(p)$

$$\text{LO: } |1 + gN_{JI}|^2 \rightarrow 1$$

$$\text{---} = \text{X} + \text{---}$$

$$N_{JI}^{(0)}(A) = N_{JI}(D) + \frac{A - D}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{-m_\pi^2/4} dk^2 \frac{\text{Im}T_{JI}(k^2)}{(k^2 - A - i\epsilon)(k^2 - D)}$$

$$N_{JI} \doteq N_{JI}^{(0)} + N_{JI}^{(1)} + \mathcal{O}(p^2)$$

$$T_{JI} \doteq L_{JI}^{(0)} + L_{JI}^{(1)} + \mathcal{O}(p^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{JI} &= N_{JI} - N_{JI} \cdot g \cdot N_{JI} + \dots \\ &= N_{JI}^{(0)} + N_{JI}^{(1)} - N_{JI}^{(0)} \cdot g \cdot N_{JI}^{(0)} + \mathcal{O}(p^2) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$N_{JI}^{(0)} = L_{JI}^{(0)} \quad , \quad N_{JI}^{(1)} = L_{JI}^{(1)} + N_{JI}^{(0)} \cdot g \cdot N_{JI}^{(0)}$$

We are providing approximate solutions to

$$T_{JI} = [N_{JI}^{-1} + g]^{-1} \leftrightarrow N_{JI} = T_{JI} |1 + gN_{JI}|^2 - |N_{JI}|^2 g^*$$

They coincide with those from the DR

- $N_{JI}(A)$  only has LHC
- With the same discontinuity along the cut

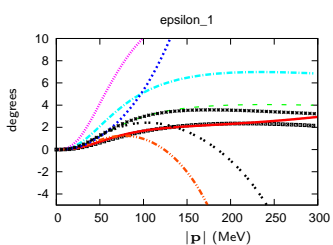
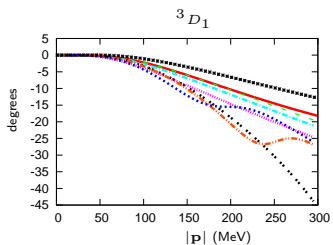
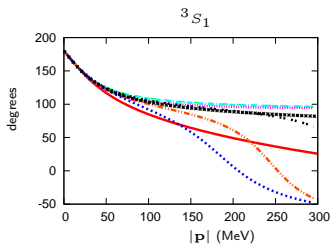
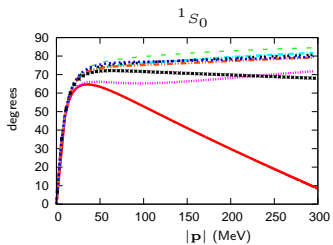
Algebraic approximation. Chiral counterterms enter directly in  $N_{JI}$

$$C_S = \frac{m}{16\pi} \frac{16\pi g_0/m + 3/a_s + 1/a_t}{(g_0 + m/(4\pi a_s))(g_0 + m/(4\pi a_t))} ,$$

$$C_T = \frac{m}{16\pi} \frac{1/a_s - 1/a_t}{(g_0 + m/(4\pi a_s))(g_0 + m/(4\pi a_t))} .$$

$|g_0| \gg 1/a_t$ ,  $|1/a_s| \longrightarrow |C_S| \sim 1/|g_0| \gg |C_T| = \mathcal{O}(m/16\pi a_t g_0^2)$   
 The  $\mathcal{O}(p^0)$  counting for  $C_S$ ,  $C_T$  is not spoiled by iterating them.

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 Blue, Orange, Black: NLO  
 Bursts: DR

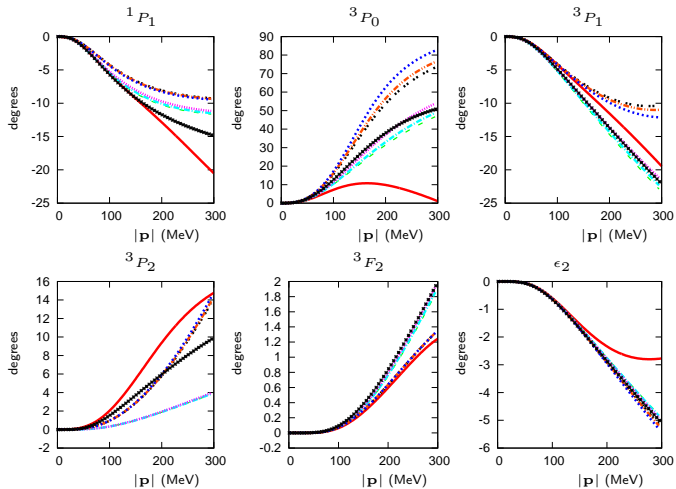




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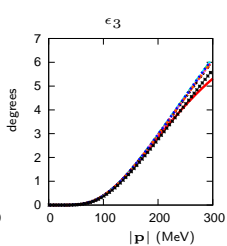
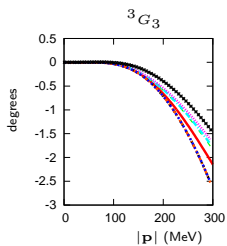
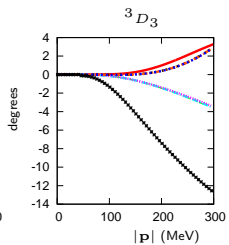
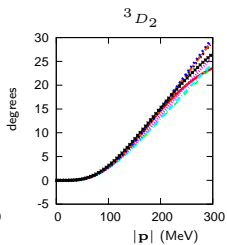
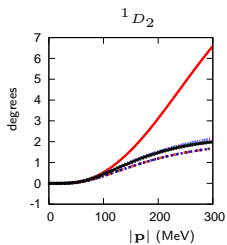
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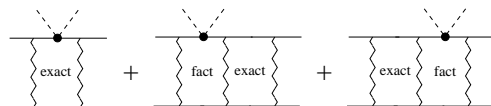


This formalism can also be applied to production diagrams

JAO, Oset NPA629(1998)739 , JAO PRD71(2005)054030

$$T_{JI} = D_{JI}^{-1} N_{JI} \rightarrow F_{JI} = D_{JI}^{-1} \cdot \xi_{JI} \quad , \quad D_{JI} = 1 + N_{JI} g \quad ,$$

$$\xi_{JI} = \sum_{k=0}^n \xi_{JI}^{(k)}$$



$$\xi_{JI}^{(0)} + \xi_{JI}^{(1)} = DL_{JI}^{(1)} - \left\{ L_{JI}^{(1)} + N_{JI}^{(0)2} \cdot L_{10}, N_{JI}^{(0)} \right\} \cdot DL_{10}$$

In-medium unitarity loop :

$$\begin{aligned} g \doteq L_{10,f} &\longrightarrow L_{10} = L_{10,f} + L_{10,m}(\xi_1) + L_{10,m}(\xi_2) + L_{10,d}(\xi_1, \xi_2) \\ &= L_{10,pp}(\xi_1, \xi_2) + L_{10,hh}(\xi_1, \xi_2) \end{aligned}$$

# Nuclear matter energy density - Contributions

$$V_\rho = 1$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^5)$$

Leading Order



1

$$V_\rho = 1$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^6)$$

Next-to-leading Order

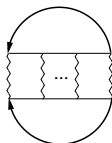


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$$V_\rho = 2$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^6)$$

Next-to-leading Order



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# Nuclear matter energy per particle

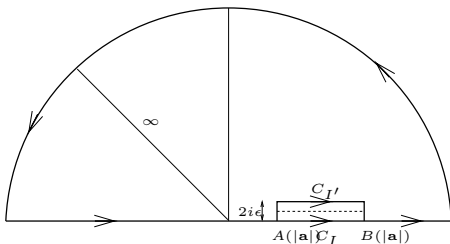
$$\mathcal{E}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2} \sum_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} \int \frac{d^4 k_1}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^4 k_2}{(2\pi)^4} e^{ik_1^0 \eta} e^{ik_2^0 \eta} G_0(k_1)_{\alpha_1} G_0(k_2)_{\alpha_2} \\ \times T_{NN}(k_1 \sigma_1 \alpha_1, k_2 \sigma_2 \alpha_2 | k_1 \sigma_1 \alpha_1, k_2 \sigma_2 \alpha_2) .$$

$$a = \frac{1}{2}(k_1 + k_2) \quad , \quad p = \frac{1}{2}(k_1 - k_2)$$

$$\int \frac{dp^0}{2\pi} G_0(a+p)_{\alpha_1} G_0(a-p)_{\alpha_2} = -i \left[ \frac{\theta(|\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{p}| - \xi_{\alpha_1}) \theta(|\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{p}| - \xi_{\alpha_2})}{2a^0 - E(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{p}) - E(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{p}) + i\epsilon} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{\theta(\xi_{\alpha_1} - |\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{p}|) \theta(\xi_{\alpha_2} - |\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{p}|)}{2a^0 - E(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{p}) - E(\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{p}) - i\epsilon} \right] .$$

$$A = 2ma^0 - \mathbf{a}^2$$

$$\mathcal{E}_3 = -4i \sum_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2} \sum_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} \int \frac{d^3 a}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{dA}{2\pi} e^{iA\eta} T_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}^{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{a}; A) \left[ \frac{1}{A - \mathbf{p}^2 + i\epsilon} - \frac{\theta(\xi_{\alpha_1} - |\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{p}|) + \theta(\xi_{\alpha_2} - |\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{p}|)}{A - \mathbf{p}^2 + i\epsilon} - 2\pi i \delta(A - \mathbf{p}^2) \theta(\xi_{\alpha_1} - |\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{p}|) \theta(\xi_{\alpha_2} - |\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{p}|) \right].$$



$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dA}{2\pi} \frac{e^{iA\eta}}{A - \mathbf{p}^2 + i\epsilon} T_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}^{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{a}; A) &= \oint_{C_I} \frac{dA}{2\pi} \frac{e^{iA\eta}}{A - \mathbf{p}^2 + i\epsilon} T_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}^{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{a}; A) \\ &- \oint_{C_I'} \frac{dA}{2\pi} \frac{e^{iA\eta}}{A - \mathbf{p}^2 + i\epsilon} T_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}^{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{a}; A) \\ &= \int_{A(\alpha)}^{B(\alpha)} \frac{dA}{2\pi} \frac{T_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}^{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{a}; A) - T_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}^{\sigma_1 \sigma_2}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{a}; A + 2i\epsilon)}{A - \mathbf{p}^2 + i\epsilon}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{10}^{i_3}(\mathbf{a}^2, A + 2i\epsilon) - L_{10}^{i_3}(\mathbf{a}^2, A) &= -m \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \theta(\xi_{\alpha_1} - |\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{q}|) \theta(\xi_{\alpha_2} - |\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{q}|) \\
 &\times \left( \frac{1}{A - \mathbf{q}^2 + i\epsilon} - \frac{1}{A - \mathbf{q}^2 - i\epsilon} \right) \\
 &= i2\pi m \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \theta(\xi_{\alpha_1} - |\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{q}|) \theta(\xi_{\alpha_2} - |\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{q}|) \delta(A - \mathbf{q}^2).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{E}_3 &= -4 \sum_{I, J, \ell, S} \sum_{i_3 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2} (2J + 1) \chi(S\ell I)^2 \int \frac{d^3P}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \theta(\xi_{\alpha_1} - |\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{q}|) \\
 &\times \theta(\xi_{\alpha_2} - |\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{q}|) \left[ T_{JI}^{i_3} \Big|_{(\mathbf{q}^2, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)} \right. \\
 &\left. + m \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1 - \theta(\xi_{\alpha_1} - |\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{p}|) - \theta(\xi_{\alpha_2} - |\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{p}|)}{\mathbf{p}^2 - \mathbf{q}^2 - i\epsilon} |T_{JI}^{i_3}|^2 \Big|_{(\mathbf{p}^2, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)} \right]_{(\ell, \ell, S)}
 \end{aligned}$$

It is real because of unitarity and Pauli-exclusion principle, involving both terms between the square brackets.

$$m \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\mathbf{p}^2 - \mathbf{q}^2 - i\epsilon} |T_{JI}^{i_3}|_{(\mathbf{p}^2, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)}^2$$

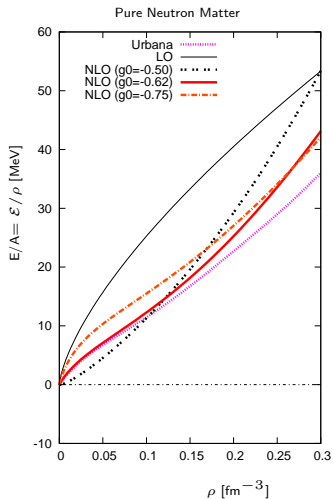
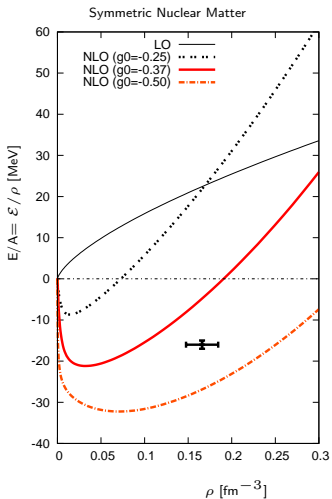
is divergent.

Expansion around  $\mathbf{p}^2 \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$T_{JI(\mathbf{p}^2, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)}^{i_3} = T_{JI(+\infty, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)}^{i_3} + \mathcal{O}(|\mathbf{p}|^{-2})$$

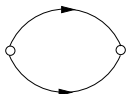
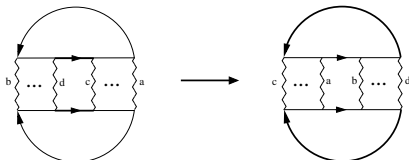
$$m \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\mathbf{p}^2 - \mathbf{q}^2 - i\epsilon} \left\{ |T_{JI}^{i_3}|_{(\mathbf{p}^2, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)}^2 - |T_{JI}^{i_3}|_{(+\infty, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)}^2 \right\} \\ - g(\mathbf{q}^2) |T_{JI}^{i_3}|_{(+\infty, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)}^2$$

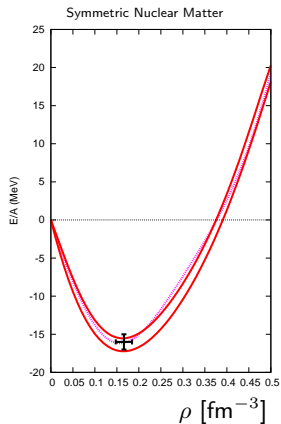
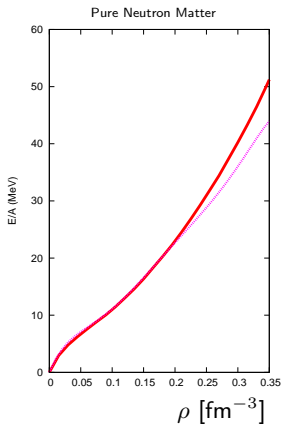




More stable for pure neutron matter (less dependent on  $g_0$ ).

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{E}_3 = & 4 \sum_{I,J,\ell,S} \sum_{i_3=\alpha_1+\alpha_2} (2J+1) \chi(S\ell I)^2 \int \frac{d^3 P}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \theta(\xi_{\alpha_1} - |\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{q}|) \\
& \times \theta(\xi_{\alpha_2} - |\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{q}|) \left[ -T_{JI}^{i_3} |_{(\mathbf{q}^2, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)} \right. \\
& + m \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\theta(\xi_{\alpha_1} - |\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{p}|) + \theta(\xi_{\alpha_2} - |\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{p}|)}{\mathbf{p}^2 - \mathbf{q}^2 - i\epsilon} |T_{JI}^{i_3}|_{(\mathbf{p}^2, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)}^2 \\
& \left. - m \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left\{ \frac{1}{\mathbf{p}^2 - \mathbf{q}^2 - i\epsilon} |T_{JI}^{i_3}|_{(\mathbf{p}^2, \mathbf{P}^2, \mathbf{q}^2)}^2 - \frac{1}{\mathbf{p}^2} |T_{JI}^{i_3}|_{\mathbf{p}^2 \rightarrow \infty}^2 \right\} + \tilde{g}_0 |T_{JI}^{i_3}|_{\mathbf{p}^2 \rightarrow \infty}^2 \right]
\end{aligned}$$

 $g_0$  in NN scattering $\tilde{g}_0$ , particle-particle intermediate state



Akmal, Pandharipande, Ravenhall, PRC 58(1998)1804

PNM:  $g_0 = \tilde{g}_0 \simeq -0.6 m_\pi^2$

SNM:  $(g_0, \tilde{g}_0) \simeq (-1.0, -0.5) m_\pi^2$

$$K = \xi^2 \left. \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{E}/\rho}{\partial \xi^2} \right|_{\xi_0} = 240 - 260 \text{ MeV}$$

exp.  $250 \pm 25 \text{ MeV}$

# In-medium chiral quark condensate - Contributions

$$V_\rho = 1$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^5)$$

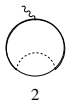
Leading Order



$$V_\rho = 1$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^6)$$

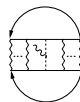
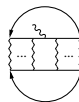
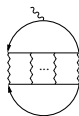
Next-to-leading Order



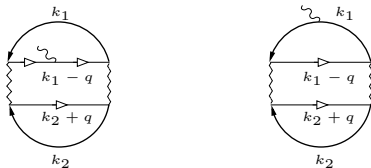
$$V_\rho = 2$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^6)$$

Next-to-leading Order



$$m_q \langle \Omega | \bar{q}_i q_j | \Omega \rangle = m_q \langle 0 | \bar{q}_i q_j | 0 \rangle - m_q (\Xi_1 + \Xi_6)$$



$$\Xi_5^L = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} \sum_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2} \int \frac{d^4 k_1}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^4 k_2}{(2\pi)^4} e^{ik_1^0 \eta} e^{ik_2^0 \eta} G_0(k_1)_{\alpha_1} G_0(k_2)_{\alpha_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial k_1^0} \left[ i \sum_{\alpha'_1, \alpha'_2} \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \right.$$

$$\times V_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2; \alpha'_1 \alpha'_2}(k) 2B [2c_1 \delta_{ij} + c_5 \tau_{ij}^3 \tau_{\alpha'_1 \alpha'_1}^3] G_0(k_1 - q)_{\alpha'_1} G_0(k_2 + q)_{\alpha'_2} V_{\alpha'_1 \alpha'_2; \alpha_1 \alpha_2}(-k) \left. \right]$$

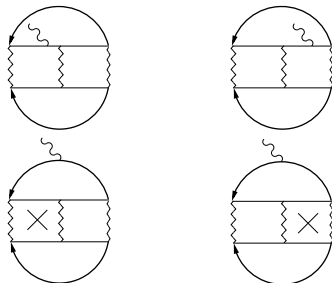
$$\Xi_4^L = \sum_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} \sum_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2} \int \frac{d^4 k_1}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^4 k_2}{(2\pi)^4} e^{ik_1^0 \eta} e^{ik_2^0 \eta} G_0(k_1)_{\alpha_1} 2B [2c_1 \delta_{ij} + c_5 \tau_{ij}^3 \tau_{\alpha_1 \alpha_1}^3] G_0(k_2)_{\alpha_2}$$

$$\times \frac{\partial}{\partial k_1^0} \left[ \frac{i}{2} \sum_{\alpha'_1, \alpha'_2} \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} V_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2; \alpha'_1 \alpha'_2}(k) G_0(k_1 - q)_{\alpha'_1} G_0(k_2 + q)_{\alpha'_2} V_{\alpha'_1 \alpha'_2; \alpha_1 \alpha_2}(-k) \right]$$

For  $\Xi_5$  the derivative acts directly in the scattering amplitude.

For  $\Xi_4$  there is an integration by parts (extra sign).

This is a general argument following from the power counting



Cancellations happen explicitly for all orders in  $U\chi PT^{[3]}$ .

**Feynman-Hellman theorem:**

$$m_q \langle \Omega | \bar{q}_i q_j | \Omega \rangle - m_q \langle 0 | \bar{q}_i q_j | 0 \rangle = \frac{m_q}{2} \left( \delta_{ij} \frac{d}{d\hat{m}} + (\tau_3)_{ij} \frac{d}{d\bar{m}} \right) (\rho m + \mathcal{E}),$$

$$\frac{\langle \Omega | \bar{q}_i q_j | \Omega \rangle}{\langle 0 | \bar{q}_i q_j | 0 \rangle} = 1 - \frac{\rho \sigma_N}{m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2} + \frac{2c_5 (\tau_3)_{ij}}{f_\pi^2} (\rho_p - \rho_n) - \frac{1}{f_\pi^2} \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}(\rho, m_\pi)}{\partial m_\pi^2}$$

Long-range NN interactions dominate in the quark condensate calculation.

Kaiser, Homont, Weise PRC77(2008)025204; Plohl, Fuchs NPA798(2008)75

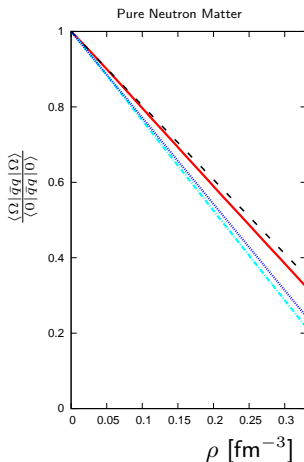
We offered an explanation for this observed fact:

- The quark mass dependence of nucleon propagators cancels

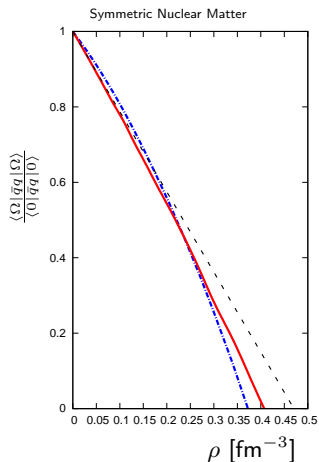
$$\Xi_4 + \Xi_5 = 0$$

- The short distance part  $|\mathbf{p}|^2 \rightarrow \infty$  cancels when taking the derivative

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}(\rho, m_\pi)}{\partial m_\pi^2}$$



Left:  $\langle \Omega | \bar{u}u | \Omega \rangle$  LO, NLO ( $g_0 = -0.6m_\pi^2$ );  
 $\langle \Omega | \bar{d}d | \Omega \rangle$  LO, NLO ( $g_0 = -0.6m_\pi^2$ ).



Right:  $\langle \Omega | \bar{q}q | \Omega \rangle$  LO, NLO ( $g_0 = -1.0m_\pi^2$ ),  
 NLO ( $g_0 = -0.5m_\pi^2$ ).  
 The quark condensate is independent of  $\tilde{g}_0$

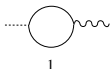


# Contributions to the in-medium pion axial couplings

$$V_\rho = 1$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^4)$$

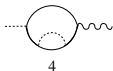
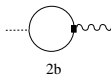
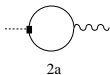
Leading Order



$$V_\rho = 1$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^5)$$

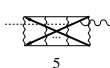
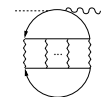
Next-to-Leading Order



$$V_\rho = 2$$

$$\mathcal{O}(p^5)$$

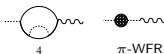
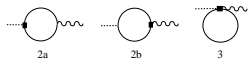
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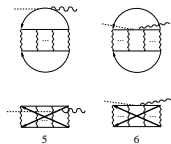
$V_\rho = 1$   
 $\mathcal{O}(p^4)$   
 Leading Order



$V_\rho = 1$   
 $\mathcal{O}(p^5)$   
 Next-to-Leading Order



$V_\rho = 2$   
 $\mathcal{O}(p^5)$   
 Next-to-Leading Order



Diagrams 1–3 discussed in Meißner,  
 Oller, Wirzba ANP297(2002)27

Diagram with  $\pi$ -WFR also discussed  
 there (NN interaction contributions  
 cancel as shown in [1])

Diagram 4 is one order too high

Diagrams 5–6 mutually cancel

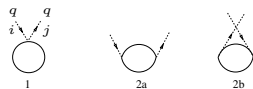
$$f_t = f_\pi \left\{ 1 - \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} (0.26 \pm 0.04) \right\}$$

$$f_s = f_\pi \left\{ 1 - \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} (1.23 \pm 0.07) \right\}$$

# Contributions to the in-medium pion self-energy

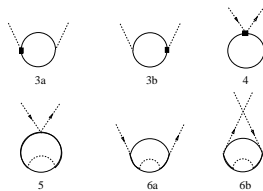
$V_\rho = 1$   
 $\mathcal{O}(p^4)$

Leading Order



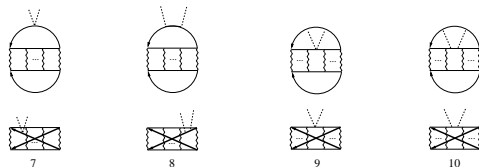
$V_\rho = 1$   
 $\mathcal{O}(p^5)$

Next-to-Leading Order



$V_\rho = 2$   
 $\mathcal{O}(p^5)$

Next-to-Leading Order



NN-interactions cancel at  $\mathcal{O}(p^5)$ . Linear density approximation holds up to NLO

# Application to neutron stars

Dobado, Llanes-Estrada, J.A.O., sent for publication to Phys. Rev. D

Spherical symmetry inside the star

Equation of Tolman-Oppenheimer-Volkoff for the hydrostatic equilibrium inside the star

Tolman, Phys. Rev. 55 (1939) 364

Oppenheimer, Volkoff, Phys. Rev. 55 (1939) 374

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = - \frac{G_N (\varepsilon(r) + P(r))(M(r) + 4\pi r^3 P(r))}{r^2 \left(1 - \frac{2G_N M(r)}{r}\right)} .$$

$M(r)$  is the mass accumulated at distance  $r$

$\varepsilon(r)$  is the mass-energy density

Boundary conditions:  $P(0)$ , input ;  $P(R) = 0$  , with  $R$  the radius of the star

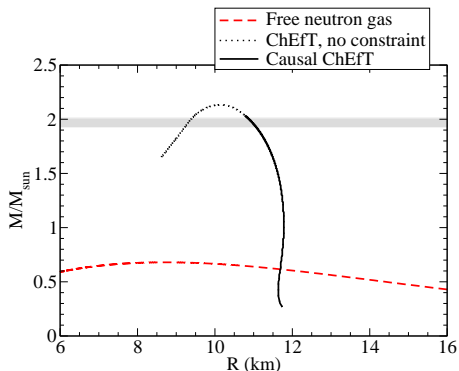
An equation of state is needed to relate  $P(r)$  with  $\varepsilon(r)$   
This is provided by the chiral nuclear EFT.

Our study was triggered by the recent discovery of a neutron star with **1.97(4)** solar masses.

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which is the new experimental upper bound for the mass of a neutron star

Does the chiral EFT support such a high mass for a neutron star?

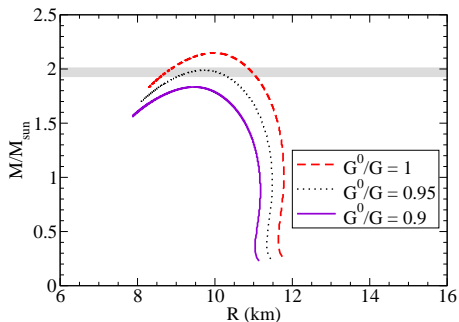


# Upper limit on $G$ in strong gravitational fields

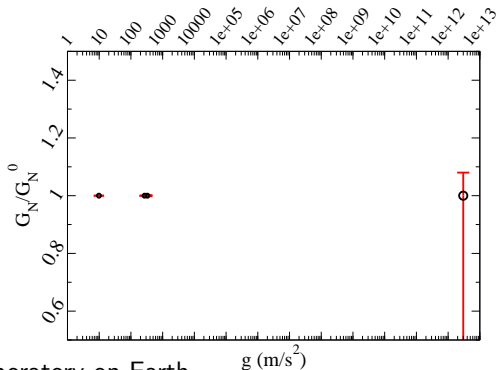
We use the chiral EOS and the stiffest equation of state compatible with causality above  $k_F \geq 600$  MeV

$$\partial P / \partial \rho = c$$

$$P = c^2(\rho - \rho_{max}) + P_{max}$$



The gravitational constant remains (so far) a constant.  
 Newton-Cavendish constant normalized by its accepted value  
 $6.6738(8)N(m/kg)^2$ .



**Left point:** laboratory on Earth.

**Middle:** orbital determinations of binary pulsars.

**Right:** existence of a neutron star with mass  $1.97(4)$  solar masses.

At the intense gravitational field in such neutron star, the gravitational constant cannot exceed 8% of its value on Earth at 95% confidence level.

# Summary & Outlook

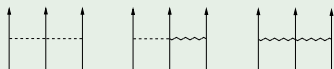
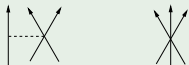
## Summary

- It is developed a power counting scheme for nmEFT combining short- and long-range multi- $N$  interactions
- LO Regulator independent NN partial-waves  $T_{JIS}$ .
- Nuclear matter energy density (up to NLO)
- In-medium chiral quark condensate (up to NLO)
- In-medium  $f_t, f_s$  (up to NLO)
- In-medium pion self-energy (up to NLO)
- EOS for neutron matter supports large mass for neutron star
- Quite good results at just NLO by applying non-perturbative methods of  $U\chi$ PT to  $NN$ -interactions



## Outlook

- Exact solution of  $N_{JI}(A)$
- $V_\rho = 3$  contributions, 3 nucleon force ( $N^2\text{LO}$ )
- Irreducible two-pion exchange ( $N^3\text{LO}$ )
- “Genuine” 3-nucleon force ( $N^4\text{LO}$ )



$d_2 + v_2 + w_2 - 2 = 2$  and  $V_\rho = 3$   
(instead of 0 and 1, respectively)

- Clarify the dependence on  $\tilde{g}_0$
- Neutron stars, supernovas, finite temperature, other N-point Green functions, adding strangeness...

## Future perspectives?

### Personal view:

- Follow a chiral power counting in nuclear medium systematically (this power counting should be valid also in vacuum).
- Do not regularize integrals with finite cut-offs (e.g. for the particle-particle parts in two-nucleon intermediate states.)
- This cut-off dependence should be replaced by subtraction constants (counterterms) of natural size for the low-energy regime at hand.  
 $\Lambda \rightarrow m_\pi$ .
- This is against standard “arguments” for particle-hole expansions.

Series of paper of the Munich group:

Kaiser, Mühlbauer, Weise EPJA 31(2007)53

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- Expansion in the number of loops (perturbative calculations).
- There is no chiral power counting.
- They always take the standard counting for the nucleon propagators  $\sim \mathcal{O}(p^{-1})$ .  
Infrared enhancements are not accounted for properly (They know and point out this in some of their works).
- No connection with vacuum NN scattering. Ad hoc cut-off parameter fitted to nuclear matter properties.