



# Neutron stars and Constraints for the Equation of State of Dense Matter + MUSES

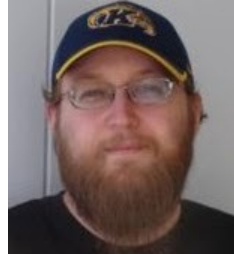
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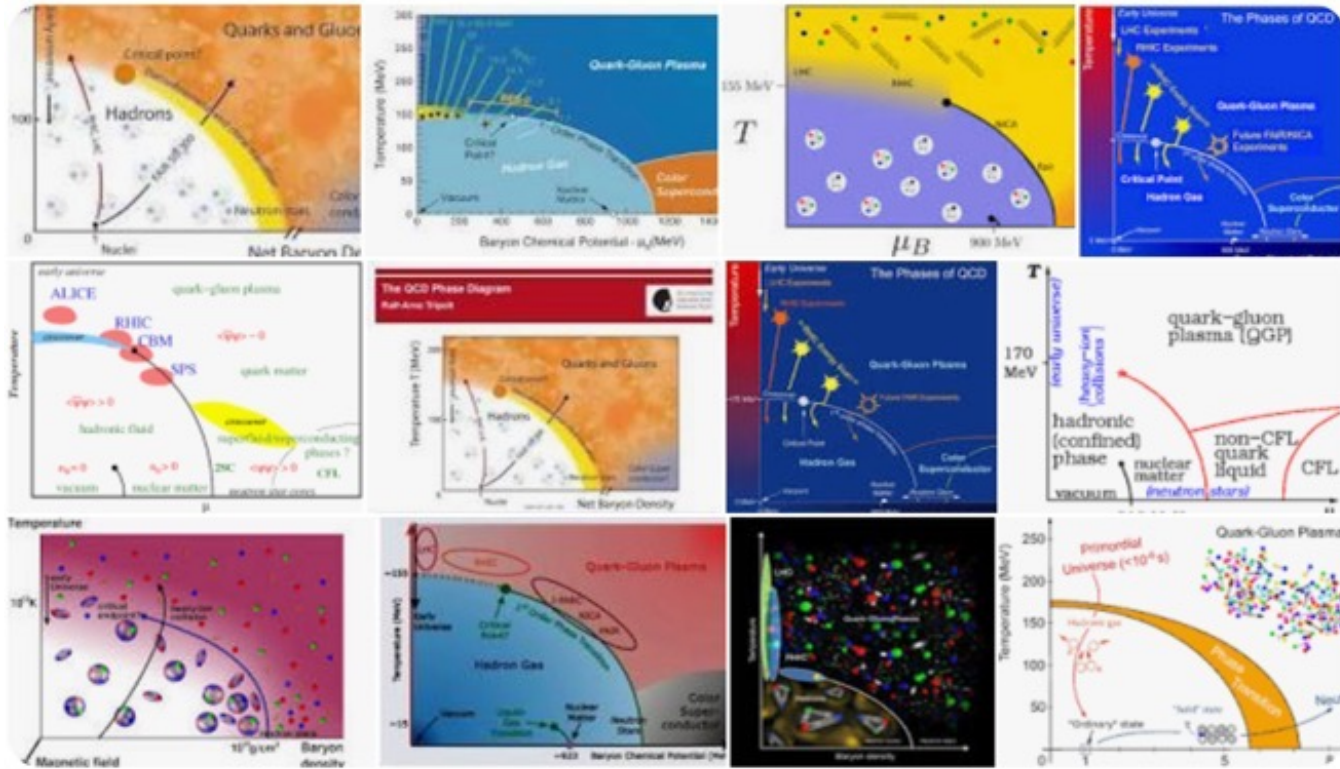
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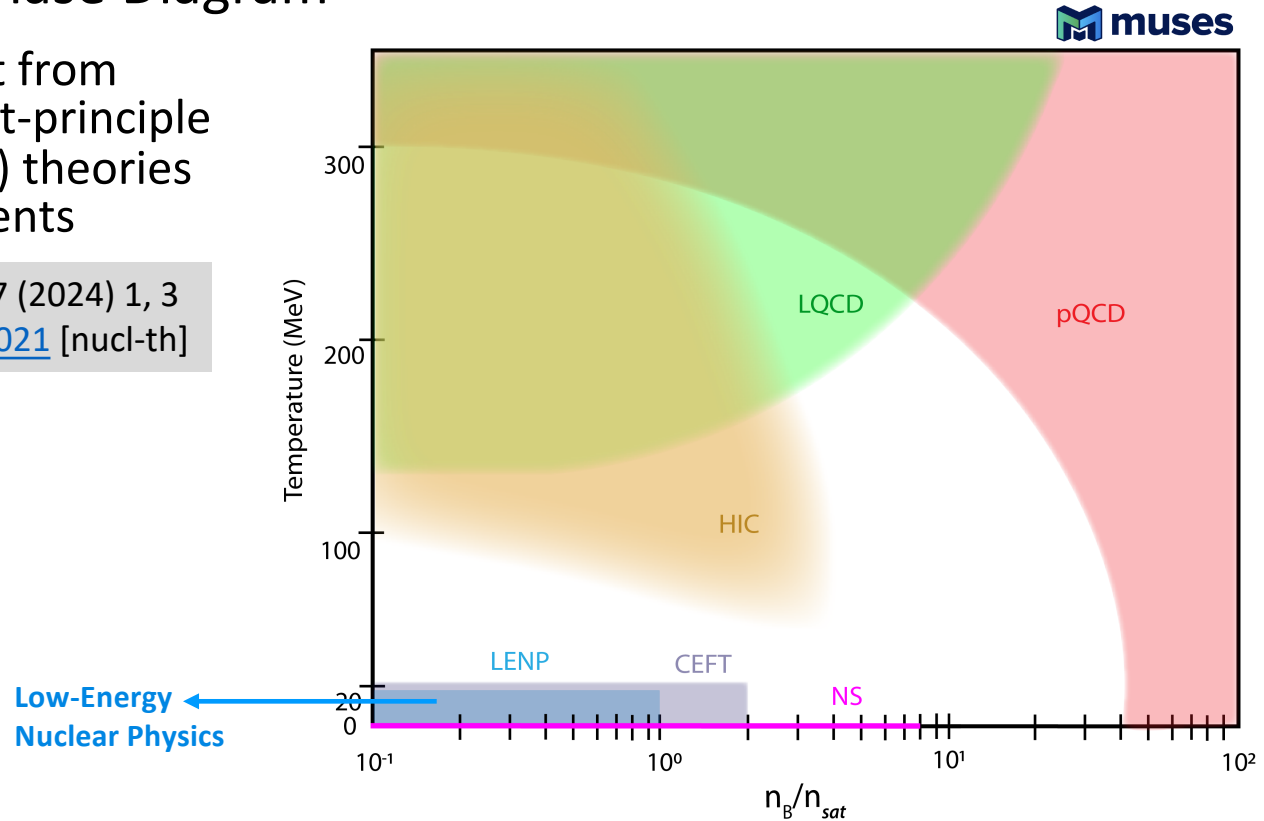
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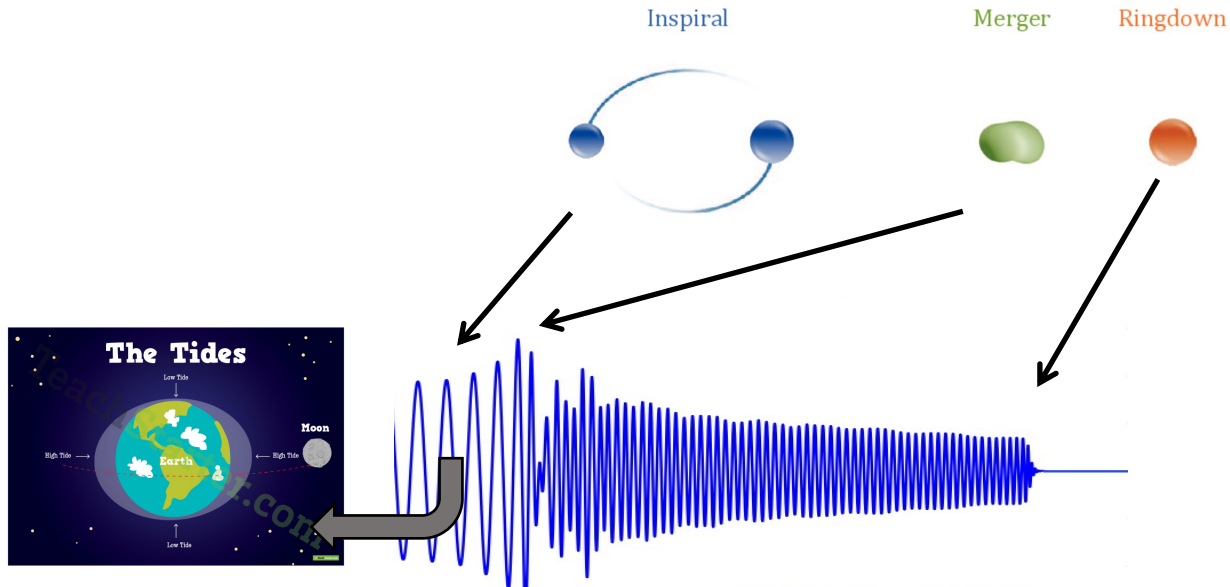
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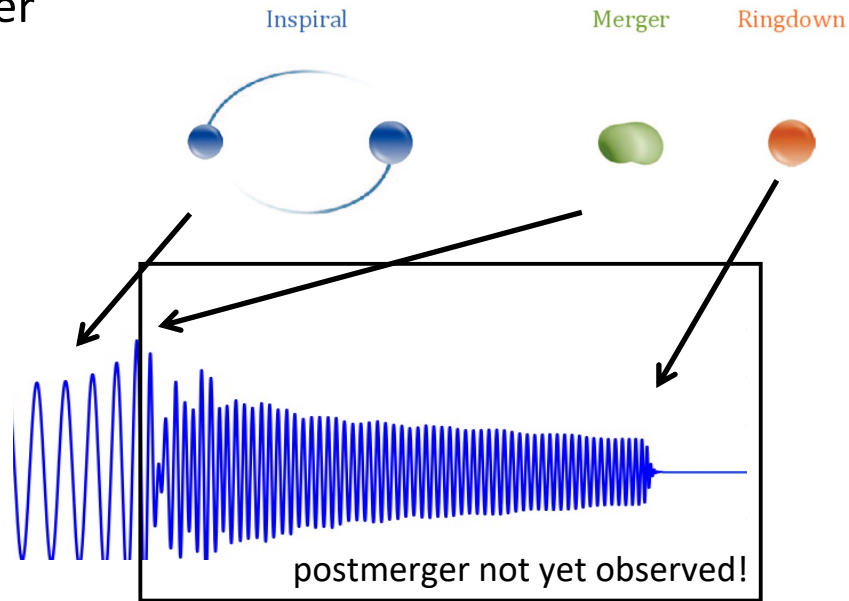
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- \* Without the post-merger (hot) part



# ★ Chiral Effective Field Theory

- \* EoS computed up to N3LO in many-body perturbation theory (with three-body forces up to N2LO) for  $n_B \lesssim 2n_{\text{sat}}$
- \* Provides  $E_{\text{sym}}$  and slope parameter  $L$  at  $n_{\text{sat}}$

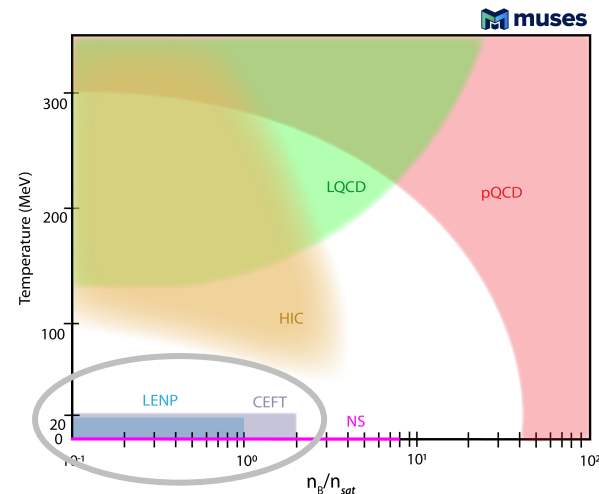
*Ann.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci.* 71 (2021) 403-432

e-Print: [2101.01709](https://arxiv.org/abs/2101.01709)

- \* Can be used to study the liquid-gas phase transition for isospin-symmetric nuclear matter from a finite-temperature calculation up to  $T \sim 25$  MeV

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## ★ Lattice QCD

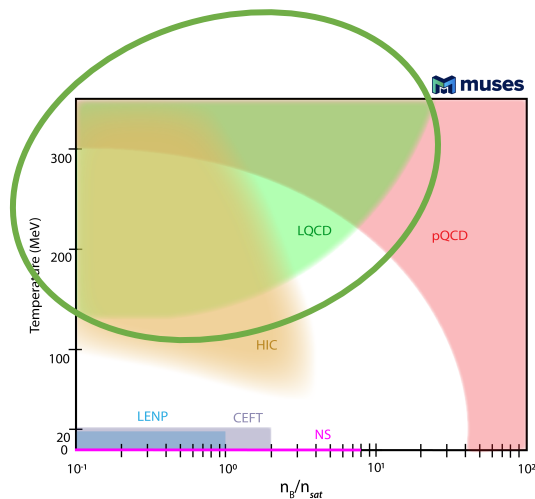
- ★ EoS up to  $\mu_B/T=3.5$  obtained from Taylor expansion

*Phys.Rev.Lett.* 126 (2021) 23, 232001  
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- ★ BSQ susceptibilities
- ★ Partial pressures (with hadronic phase treated as ideal resonance gas)
- ★ Pseudo phase-transition line
- ★ Limits on the critical point location  
 $\mu_B \gtrsim 300$  MeV and  $T_c \lesssim 132$  MeV.

*Phys.Rev.Lett.* 125 (2020) 5, 052001  
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## ★ Perturbative QCD

- \* Resummed perturbative QCD EoS calculated to N3LO using HTL perturbation theory in agreement with lattice for  $T \gtrsim 2 T_c$  at  $\mu_B=0$

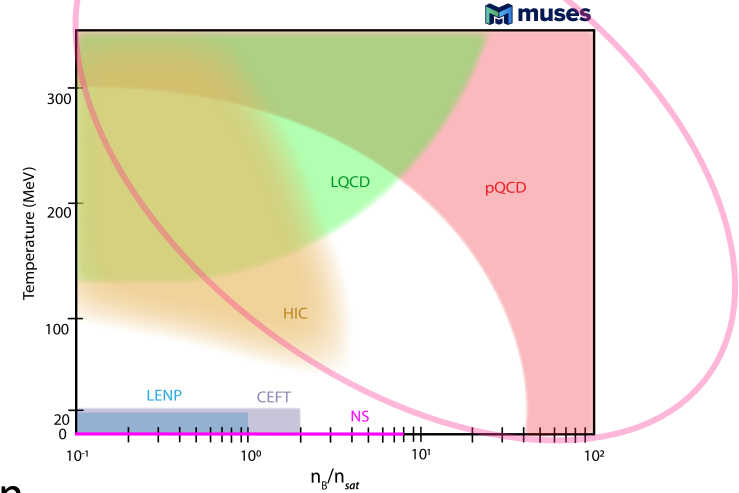
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- \* The curvature of the QCD phase transition line
- \* Application at high density: starting at  $n_B \sim 40 n_{\text{sat}}$  from N3LO calculation

*Phys.Rev.D* 104 (2021) 7, 074015 e-Print: [2103.07427](https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.07427)

(and extrapolations to lower densities)

- \* Transport coefficients at finite  $T$  and  $\mu_B$



# ★ Low-Energy Nuclear Physics

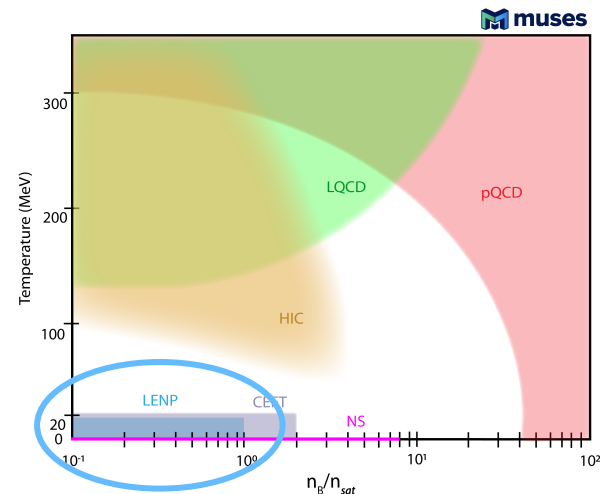
- \* Isospin symmetric matter at  $n_{\text{sat}}$

Saturation density, $n_{\text{sat}}$ ( $\text{fm}^{-3}$ )	$0.17 \pm 0.03$
	0.148 - 0.185
	$0.148 \pm 0.0038$
Binding energy per nucleon, $B/A$ (MeV)	-15.677
	-16.24
Compressibility, $K_{\infty}$ (MeV)	$240 \pm 20$
	210 - 270
	251 - 315

*Phys.Rev.C* 89 (2014) 4, 044316

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- \* Hyperon and  $\Delta$ -baryon potentials at  $n_{\text{sat}}$
- \* Symmetry energy  $E_{\text{sym}}$  and derivative  $L$  at ans around  $n_{\text{sat}}$
- \* Heavy-ion collision measurements of neutron skin
- \* Liquid-gas critical point



# ★ Heavy-Ion Collisions

- \* Particle yields for  $\pi^\pm$ ,  $K^\pm$ ,  $p/\bar{p}$ ,  $\Lambda/\bar{\Lambda}$ ,  $\Xi^-/\bar{\Xi}^+$  and  $\Omega^-/\bar{\Omega}^+$  ... can indicate e.g. deconfinement

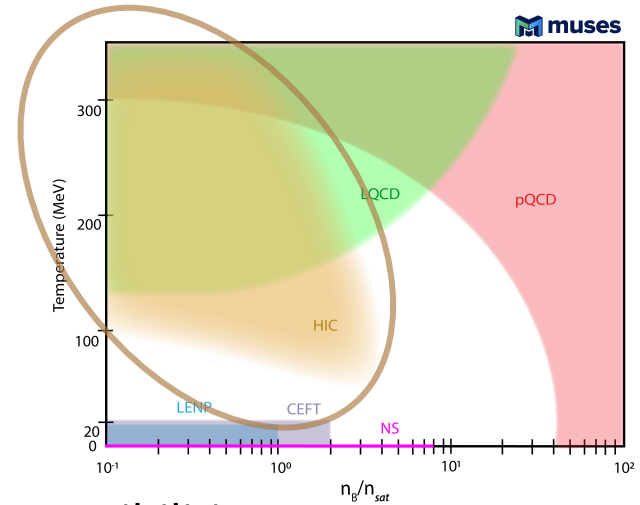
*Phys.Lett.B* 728 (2014) 216-227 e-Print: [1307.5543](#)

*Phys.Rev.C* 77 (2008) 044908 e-Print: [0705.2511](#)

- \* Fluctuation observables, such as cumulants of particle multiplicity distributions, can relate to thermodynamic susceptibilities, used to e.g. exclude a critical point until a given  $\mu_B$

*PoS* FACESQCD (2010) 017 e-Print: [1106.3887](#)

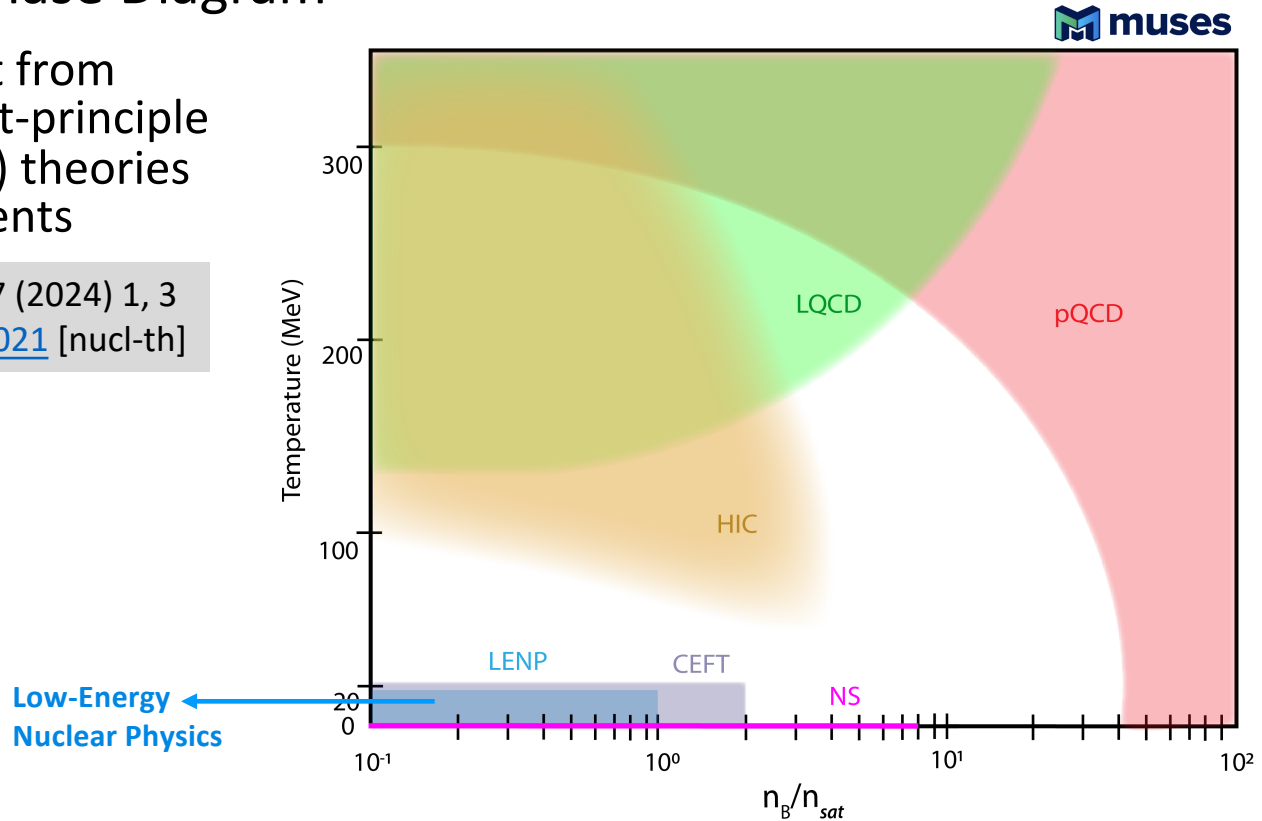
- \* Flow harmonics *Acta Phys.Polon.Supp.* 16 (2023) 1, 1-A48 e-Print: [2209.04957](#)
- \* Hanbury Brown–Twiss (HBT) interferometry



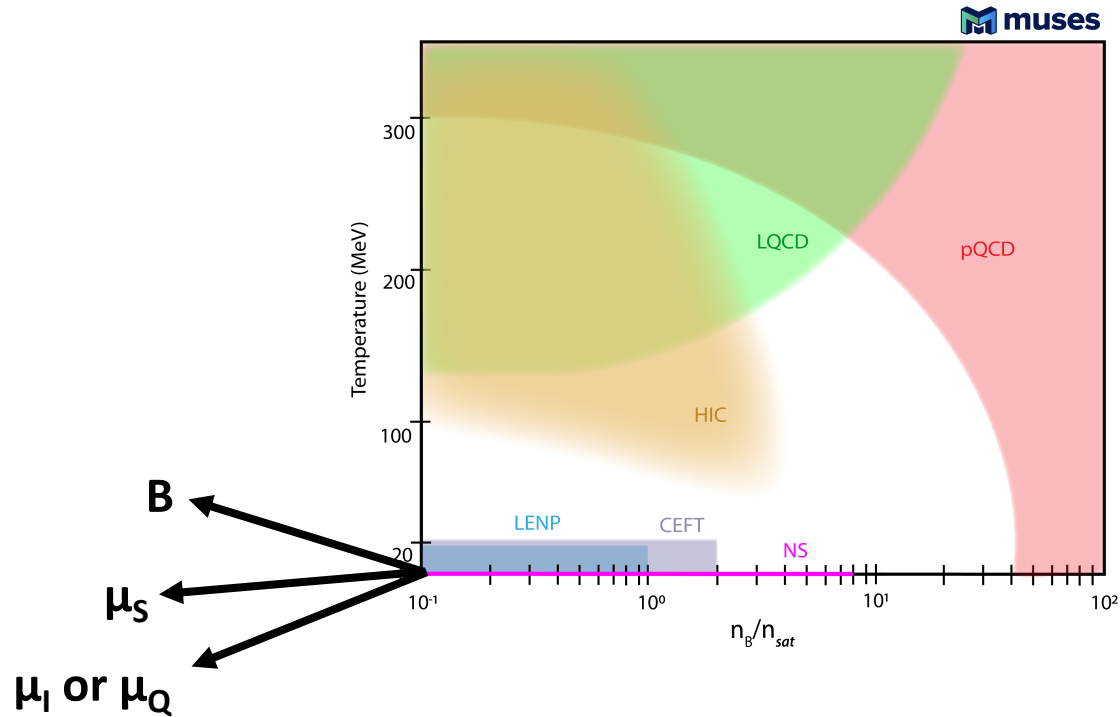
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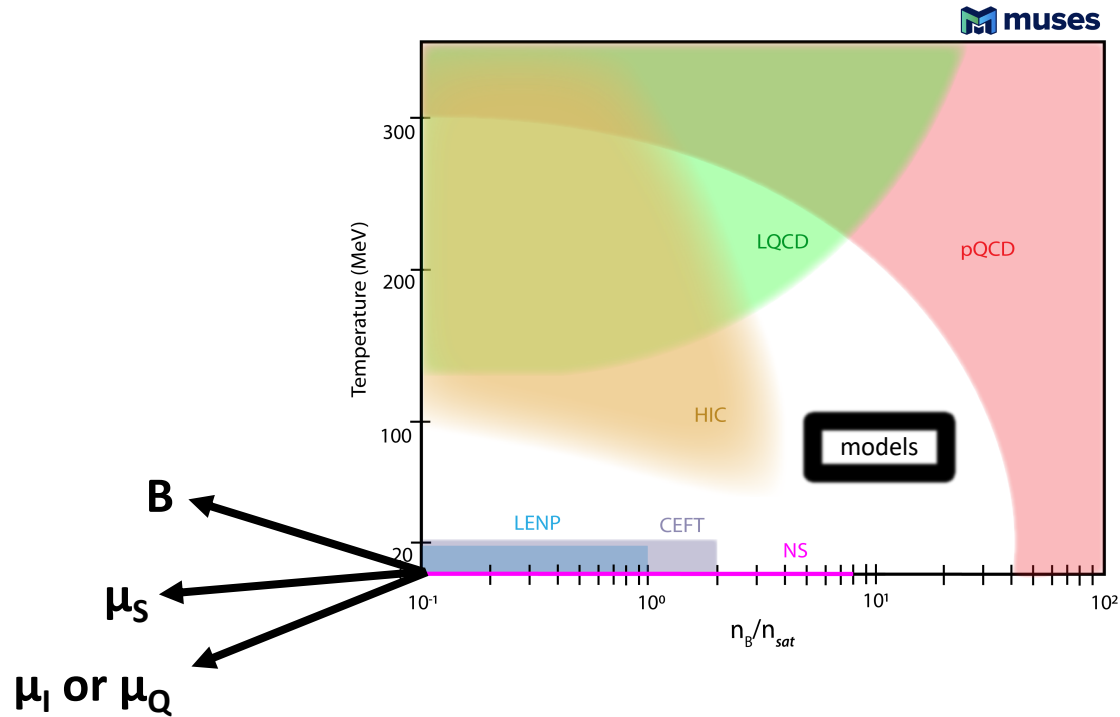
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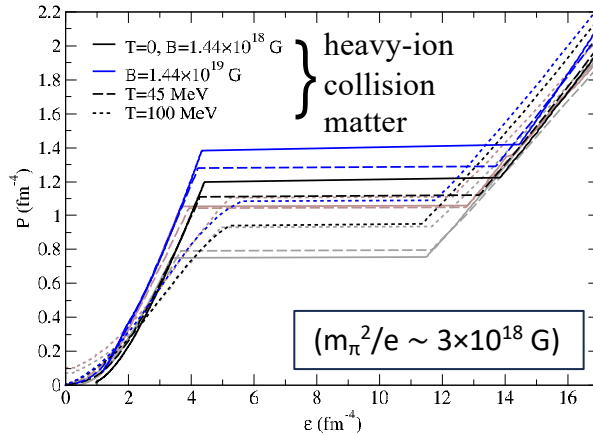


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# ★ 5D Phase Diagrams Curves

- \* Curves for the CMF model (with quark deconfinement)



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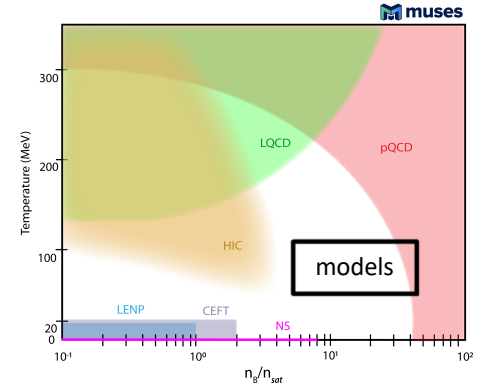
- \* Neutron-star matter also shown for comparison in different colors  
 $B=1.44 \times 10^{18}$  G for neutron-star matter  
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- \* (Stronger) phase transition takes place at larger  $\epsilon$  and  $\mu_B$  for larger  $B$  in CMF model
- \* (Weaker) phase transition takes place at lower  $\mu_B$  for larger  $T$
- \* Phase transition takes place at larger  $\mu_B$  and is stronger for heavy-ion collision matter (for any  $T$  and  $B$ ) in CMF model

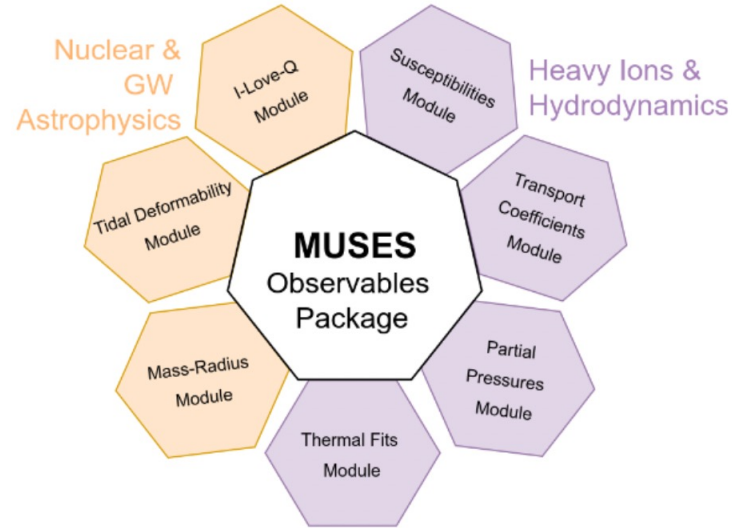
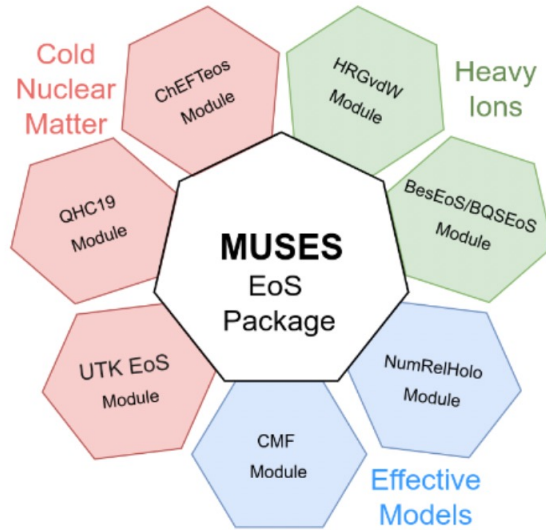


# ★ **muses** Cyberinfrastructure

- \* Modular Unified Solver of the Equation of State
- \* Modular: different theories/models (modules) for the user to pick from **and modify**
- \* Unified: different modules are merged together to ensure maximal coverage of the phase diagram
- \* Developers: physicists + computer scientists working together to develop optimized software that generates EoS's over large ranges of temperature and chemical potentials to cover the whole phase diagram, together with observables
- \* Users: interested scientists from different communities, who provide input to the cyberinfrastructure



★ **muses** Modules



+ Lepton Module, Synthesis Module, Interpolator Module, ...

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- \* soon to be release to entire community ...

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  - ✓ CMF: 3D Chiral EoS with different orders for deconfinement
  - ✓ CEFT: 2D EoS for interacting nucleons and pions
  - ✓ UTK os Crust DFT: 2D EoS including nuclei
  - ✓ Lepton module, Synthesis module, CompOSE outputs

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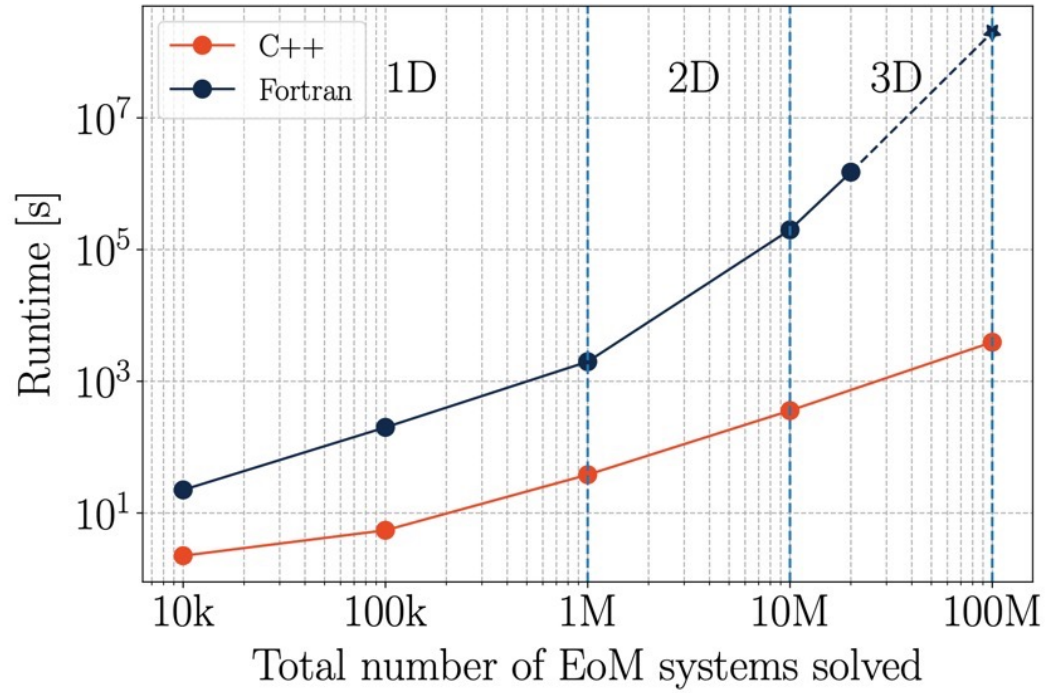
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  - ✓ QLIMR module: quadrupole moment, tidal Love number, moment of inertia, mass, and radius of slowly rotating neutron star
  - ✓ Flavor equilibration for weak  $\beta$ -equilibrium: Urca rates, relaxation rates, damping time, bulk viscosity.
  - ✓ Susceptibilities

★  **muses** Beta Release: October 2024

- \* After Beta release we will provide in-person/online workshops and schools
  - \* Online tutorials tools ...
  - \* Stay tuned
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- \* Coming in 2025: more dimensions for EoS's, pasta phases, Thermal-FIST module, more interpolating functions, fully parametrized EoS's ...



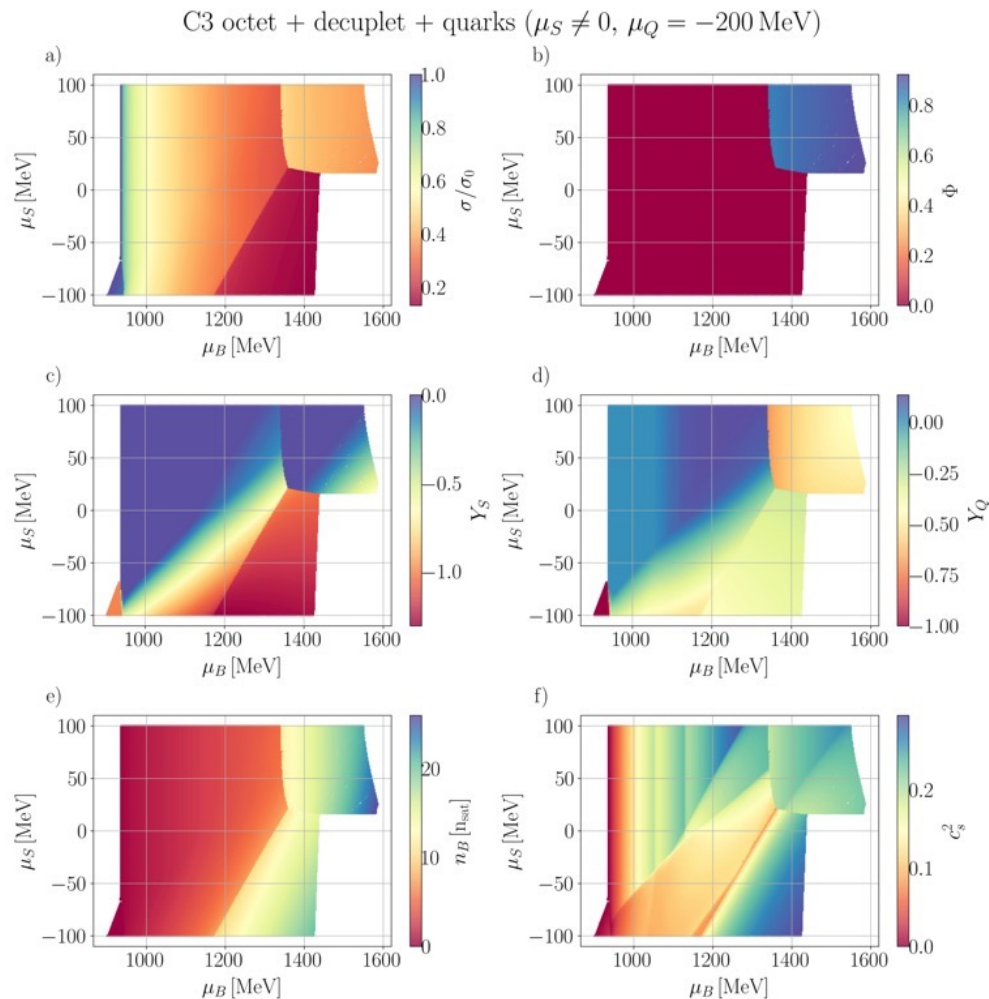
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- a) scalar meson field  $\sigma$  normalized by vacuum
- b) deconfinement field  $\Phi$
- c) strangeness fraction
- d) charge fraction
- e) baryon density
- f) speed of sound squared

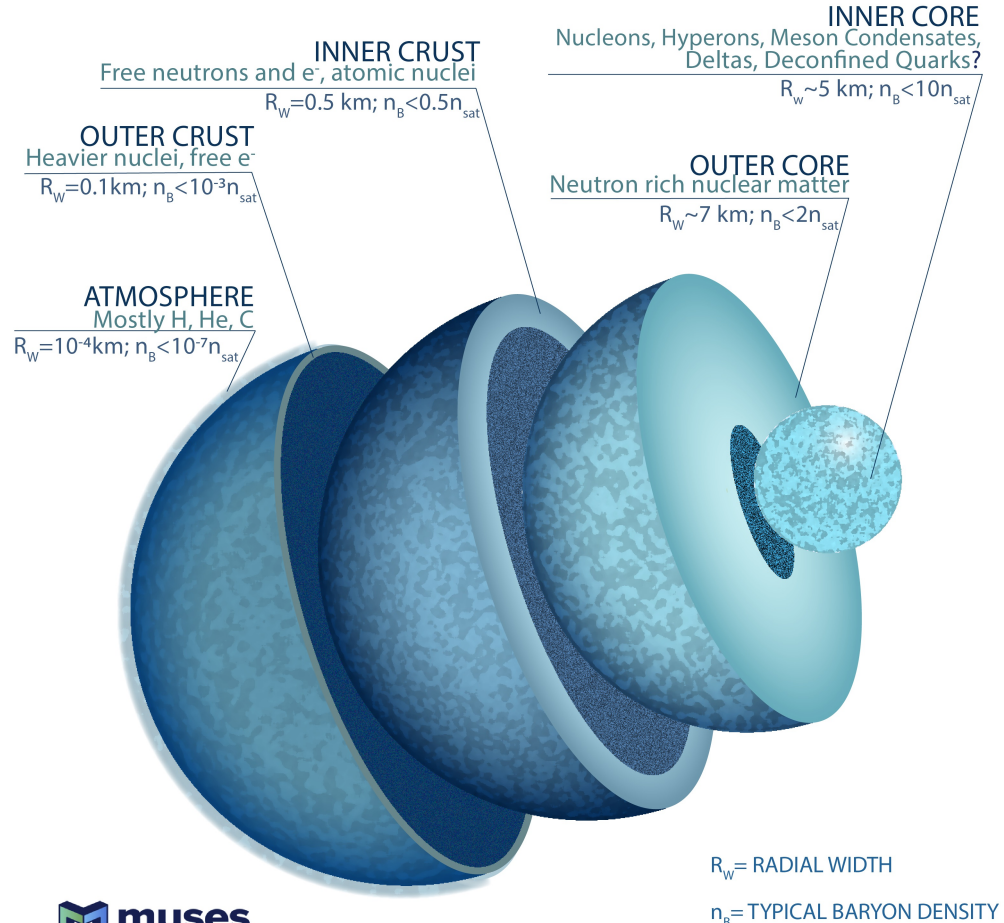


## Additional Slides

# ★ Neutron Stars

- \* Mostly made up of dense matter (beyond saturation density)
- \* With inner core (beyond 2x saturation density) containing exotic matter

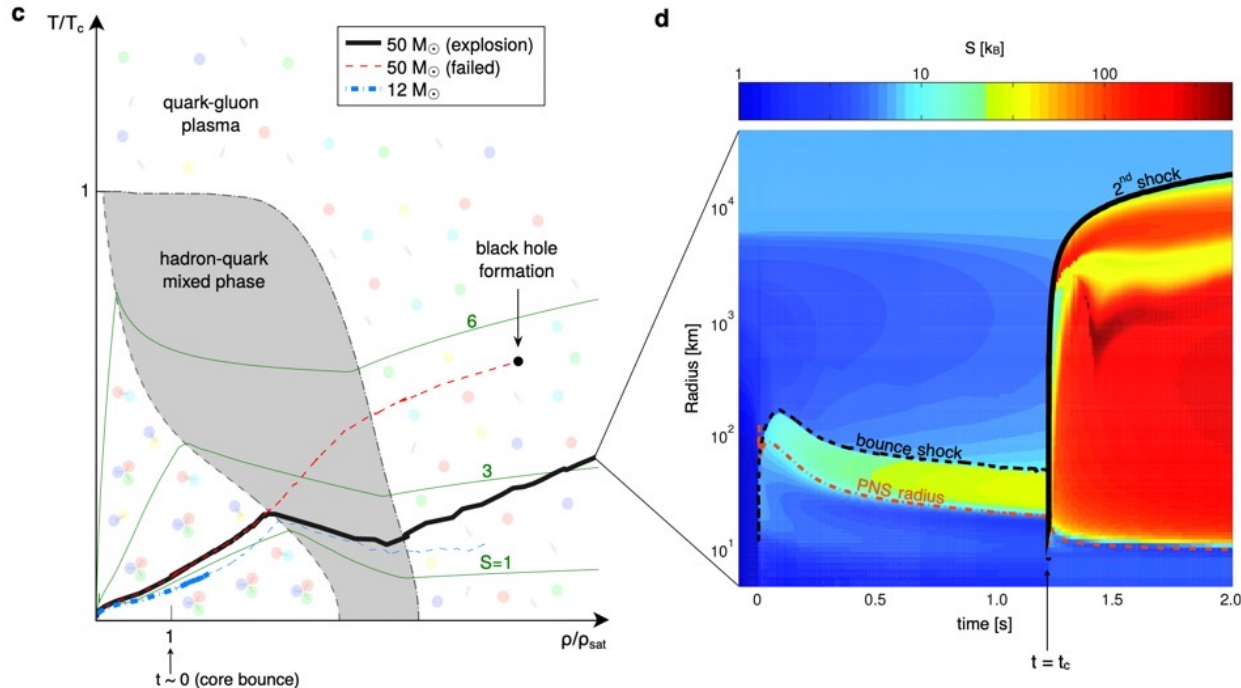
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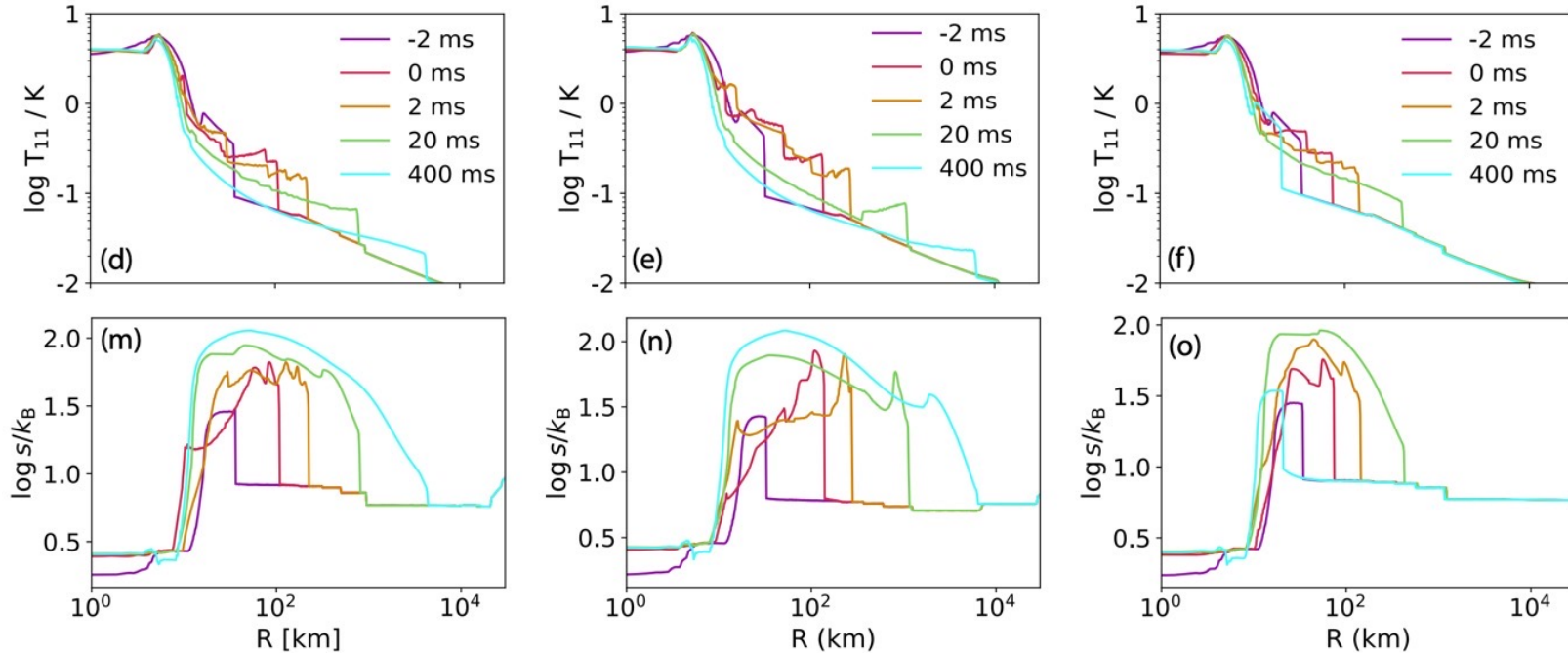
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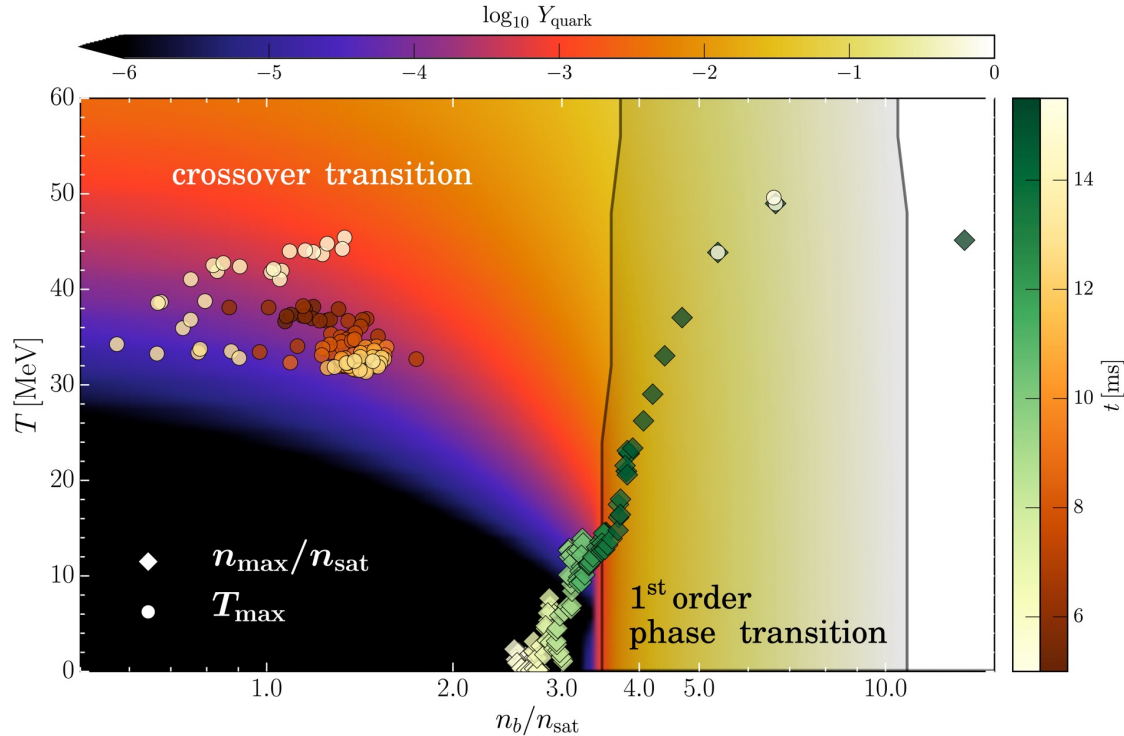
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# ★ Neutron-Star Mergers

Phys.Rev.Lett. 122 (2019) 6, 061101 e-Print: [1807.03684](https://arxiv.org/abs/1807.03684)

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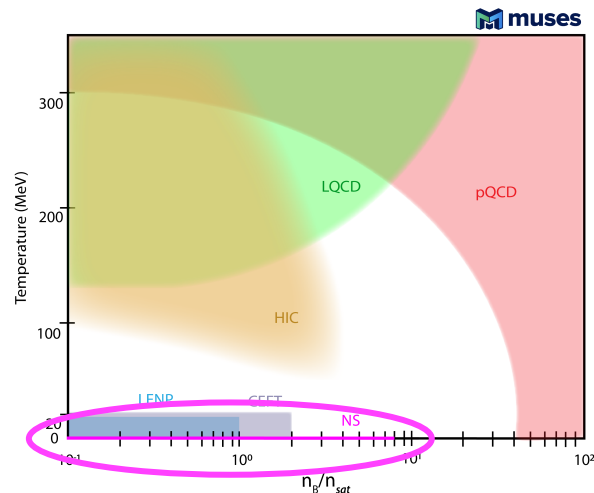
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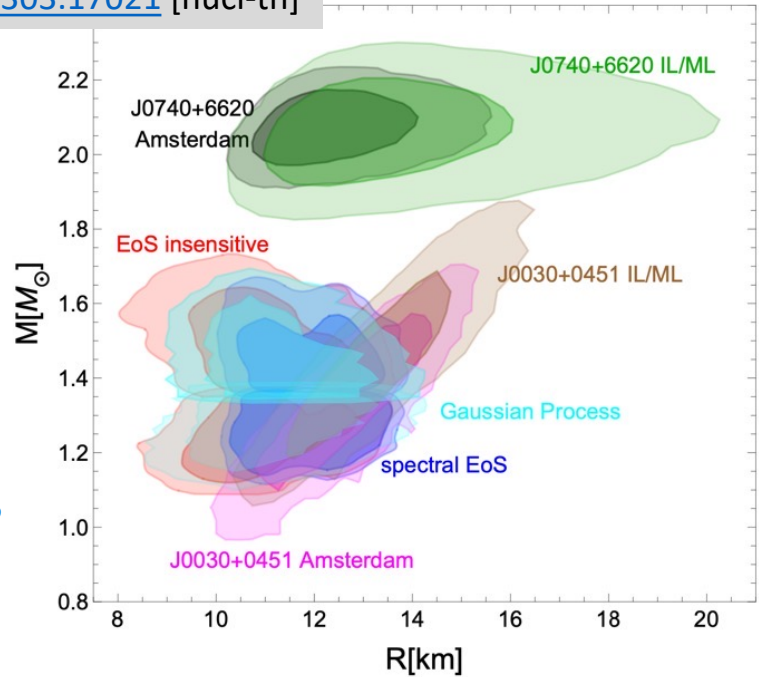
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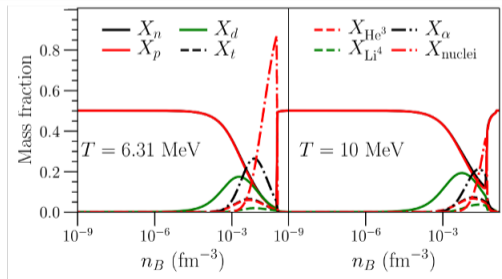


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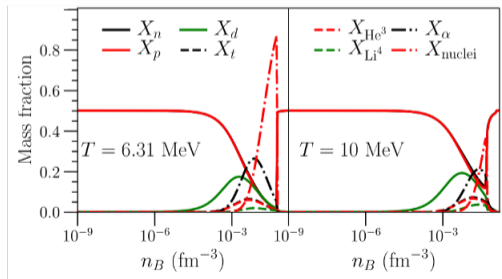
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## Outlook

- Addition of finite T EoS.
- Extension to strangeness degrees of freedom.
- Machine learned emulator.



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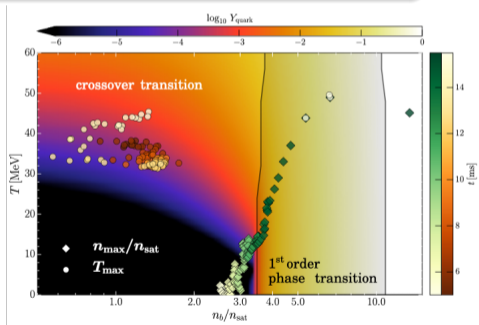
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We created an open-source optimized modular modern C++ code to compute multidimensional EoS tables using the Chiral Mean-field (CMF) model.

## Status before MUSES

- Fortran 77 proprietary code.
- Spaghetti code between non- and magnetic cases, not properly documented.
- Antique root solving and integration routines.



*E. Most, V. Dexheimer et al., PRL (2019)*





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## Current status

- High resolution zero temperature that agrees with the previous `Fortran` code for all particles.
- More thorough check for EoS stability in the new code.
- `CMF++` runtime is more than 4 orders of magnitude faster than legacy `Fortran`.
- Execution via Docker and from Calculation Engine (tutorial notebook available).

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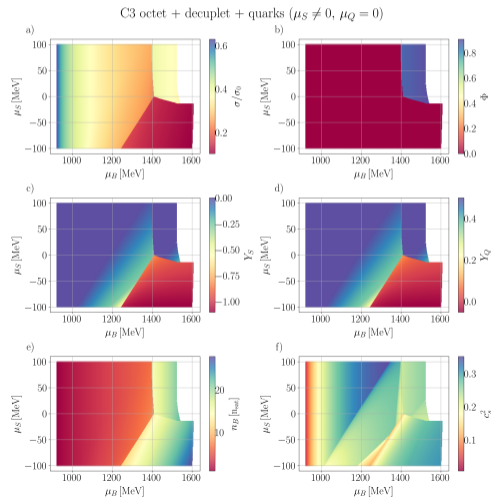
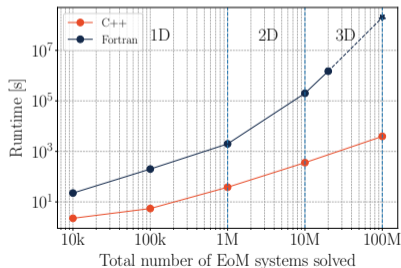
- Couple to flavor equilibration module.
- Zero temperature magnetic case.
- Finite temperature non- and magnetic case.
- Add thermal meson interactions.

# CMF Module: Preprint

## Phase Stability in the 3-Dimensional Open-source Code for the Chiral mean-field Model

### Highlights

- Improved run time.
- Extension to 3D ( $\mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S$ ).
- Stability analysis.





# MUSES Observable Module: Neutron Stars & Mergers

QLIMR Module (Yunes's group: Carlos C.)

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Given an EoS, solves the Tolmann-Oppenheimer-Volkoff (TOV) equations

$$\frac{dp}{dr} = -\frac{G\epsilon m}{c^2 r^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{p}{\epsilon} \right] \left[ 1 + \frac{4\pi r^3 p}{mc^2} \right] \left[ 1 - \frac{2Gm}{c^2 r} \right]^{-1}$$
$$\frac{dm}{dr} = \frac{4\pi r^2 \epsilon}{c^2}$$

plus Hartle Thorne method and computes:

- Q: quadrupole moment  $Q$  of NS
- $L(\Lambda)$ : tidal Love number (tidal deformability)
- I: moment of inertia
- M: mass of NS (+ $\delta M$  to correct for rotation)
- R: radius of NS (+ $\delta R$  to correct for rotation too)
- Local function  $f(R)$

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(Alford/Dexheimer/Most/Yunes's groups: Mateus. R. P., Alexander H., Alexander C.)

Lepton module:  $\beta$ -equilibrium and charge neutral matter

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- Given an EoS, computes:
  - Charged lepton densities necessary to ensure charge neutrality

Flavor equilibration:  $\beta$ -equilibrium:  $\mu_n - \mu_p - \mu_e = 0$

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- Given an EoS, computes:
  - Urca rates  $n \rightarrow p + e + \bar{\nu}_e$ ;  $p + e \rightarrow n + \nu_e$ , equilibrium charge fractions, relaxation rates, damping time, susceptibilities, bulk viscosity.

Adapter modules to obtain a standard EoS for NS & mergers simulation tools

- Compatibility with CompOSE to provide 1D/2D/3D EoS for NS.
- Ensuring compatibility with merger simulations.

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  - Urca rates  $n \rightarrow p + e + \bar{\nu}_e; p + e \rightarrow n + \nu_e$ , equilibrium charge fractions, relaxation rates, damping time, susceptibilities, bulk viscosity.

Outlook:

- Nuclear structure (pasta phases).
- Testing more interpolation functions.

# MUSES Observable Module: Heavy-ion Collisions

## Susceptibilities & hadronic species contributions

- Susceptibilities from lattice QCD will be computable.
- Using HRG model, one can study the breakdown of different hadron families.
- Partial pressure and analogous relations for susceptibilities.

## Transport coefficients from Holographic module

- Thermal conductivity, baryon conductivity & diffusion.
- Shear & bulk viscosities, HQ drag force & Langevin diffusion coefficients.
- Jet quenching parameter.

## Freeze-out physics

- $T$  and  $\mu_B$  at chemical freeze-out can be fitted from exp. data with HRG.
- Will be incorporated with Thermal-FIST.



# MUSES Equation of State Workflows in the Zero-Temperature Limit

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