

Renormalization Group Consistent Treatment of NJL Color-Superconductivity

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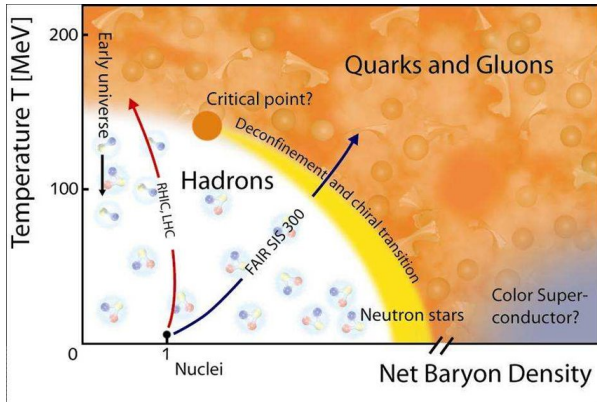
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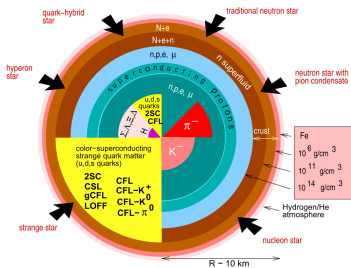
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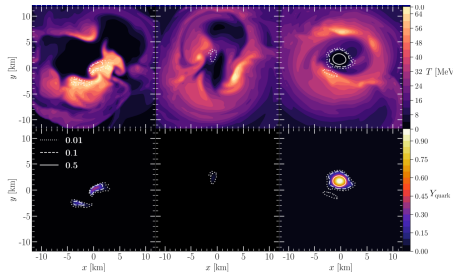




- Phase structure at large (but not asymptotically large) density and moderate T is relevant for neutron stars and neutron star mergers



[Weber (1999)]



[Tootle et al. (2022)]

- ▶ Merger simulations: densities produced in merger remnant might be sufficient to produce quark matter
- ▶ Expected implications: Modified post-merger frequency spectrum [Elias R. Most et al. (2019)] [Bauswein et al. (2019)]

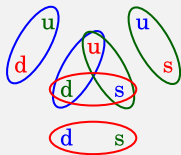
Motivation: signatures of color superconducting phases in neutron star cores or merger remnants?

Method: Use effective models for studying color superconductivity

- ▶ This talk: Treatment of unphysical regularization artefacts in NJL color superconductivity (cut-off artefacts)
- ▶ **Ishfaq's talk** → Investigations of some astrophysical aspects of this model

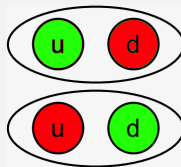
- ▶ Cooper theorem: Fermi surface unstable against finite attractive interaction of particles
- ▶ Strong interactions: Attractive Diquark interaction in scalar color-, flavor antitriplet channel \rightarrow **diquark condensate**: $\langle q_i \mathcal{O}_{ij} q_j \rangle$
- ▶ Pairing of particular color-flavor combinations

Color-flavor-locking (CFL)



Large $\mu \gg M_s$
 3 finite gap parameters
 $\Delta_{ud}, \Delta_{us}, \Delta_{ds}$

2SC



Intermediate $\mu \lesssim M_s$
 1 finite gap parameter
 Δ_{ud}

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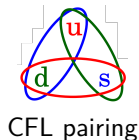
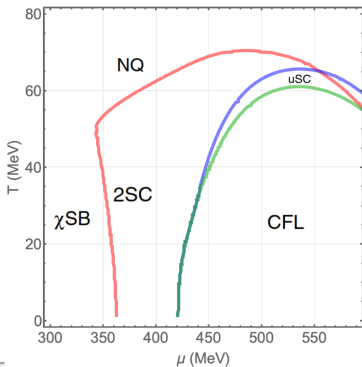
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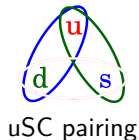
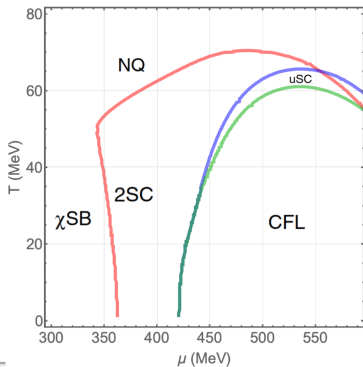
- Mean field approximation: Linearise theory around condensates then minimizing with respect to them
- Neutron star: Enforce charge and color-neutrality + β -equilibrium
 - ▶ Regularization: sharp 3-momentum cutoff Λ'
 - ▶ Λ' , G , K , m fitted to vacuum meson spectrum $\rightarrow \Lambda' = 602 \text{ MeV}$



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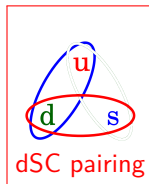
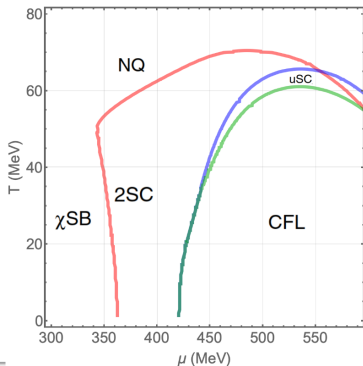
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► **Puzzle:** Absence of expected dSC phase in CFL melting pattern [Iida et al 2004]

Solution to Regularization artefacts:

- ▶ Use *renormalization group-consistent* regularization presented by Braun et al (2016)

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Renormalization group consistency and low-energy effective theories

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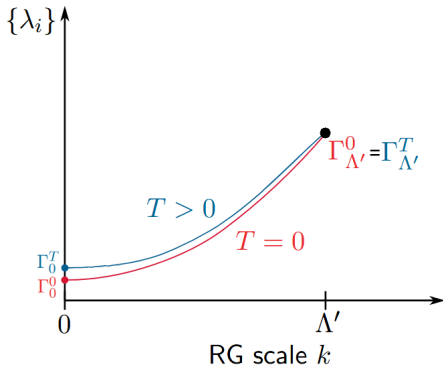
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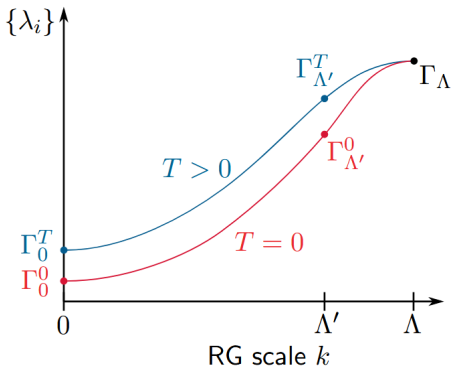
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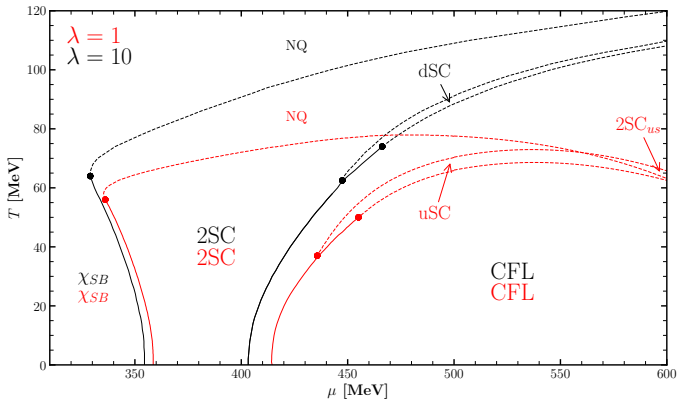
Problem: Λ' isn't big enough with respect to all scales of the system when in medium: $\Lambda' \sim \mu, T, \Delta_i, M_j$.



Assumption: Λ bigger than all scales of the system: $\Lambda \gg \mu, T, \Delta_i, M_j, \Lambda'$.
Then $\Gamma_\Lambda(\mu, T) \approx \Gamma_\Lambda(\mu = 0, T = 0)$ can be calculated from flow equation in vacuum



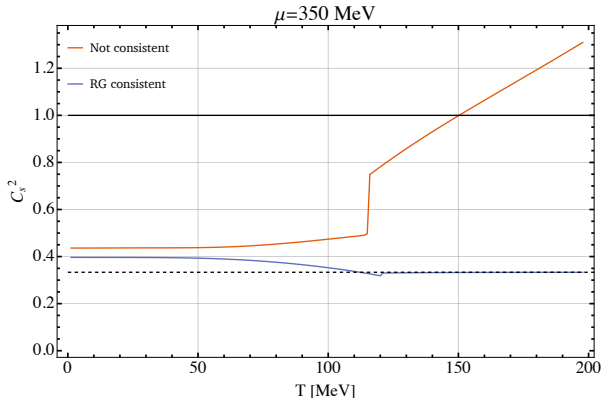
- ▶ Issue of divergences in medium \rightarrow Medium renormalization
- ▶ $\lambda = \frac{\Lambda}{\Lambda'} = 10$ is enough to satisfy the RG consistency conditions for our region of interest



- ▶ Cut-off artefacts are removed
 - Expected increasing trend of phase boundaries
 - No uSC phase
- ▶ Expected dSC phase appears in CFL melting: **Puzzle solved**

A natural outcome of the RG consistent treatment: correct thermodynamic limits

- ▶ Correct thermodynamics are mostly important for the astrophysics related calculations
- ▶ Example: Above the T_c at high densities speed of sound should go to the chiral limit $C_s^2 = 1/3$



Summary

- ▶ NJL color-superconductivity suffers from cut-off artefacts
- ▶ RG-consistent formulation systematically removes the cutoff artefacts and changes the phase diagram in terms of critical temperatures, diquark condensate values and phase transition points
- ▶ RG-consistent formulation for neutral CSC matter is in agreement with expected dSC phase in CFL melting pattern and also it gives the correct thermodynamics for the model

Outlook

- ▶ Main interest: Study imprints of color superconductivity in neutron star mergers
- ▶ Constraining free parameters of the model for astrophysical calculations →
Next talk by Ishfaq

Thank you for listening!