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DARK MATTER SEEDING IN NEUTRON STARS

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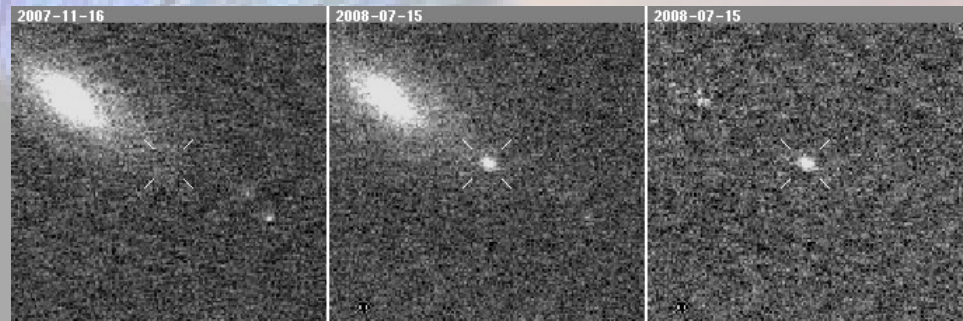
NSs from SN event

- NS appears in the aftermath of a SN explosion event

- Remains: Nebula+pulsar

- Its typical numbers:

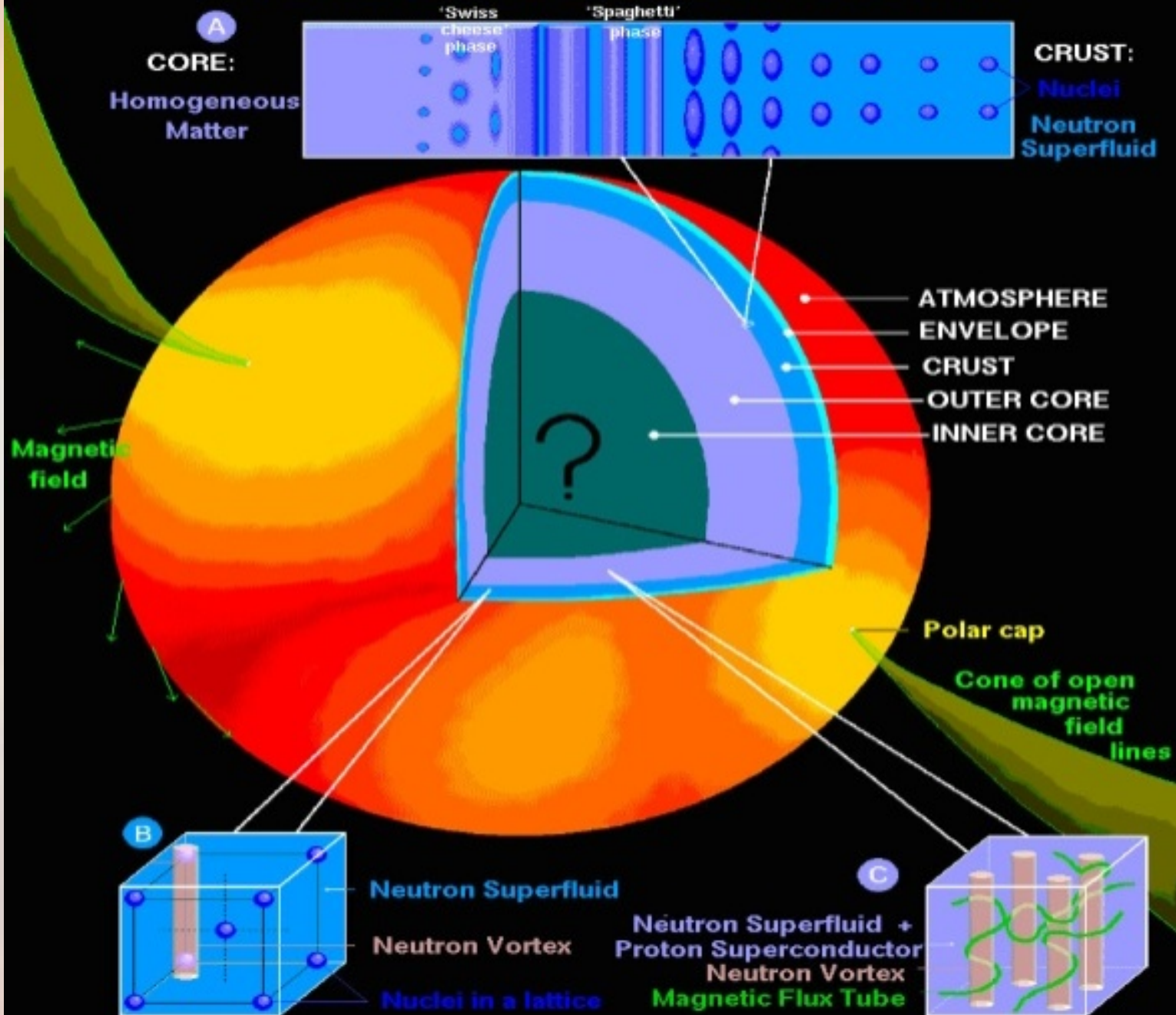
- 1.5 solar masses
- 12 km radius
- Central densities $n \approx 10^{14}$ g/cc in the center
- $T/E_F \approx 0$, $T \approx 1-10$ keV.



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in UGC 2740
by CHASE
collaboration

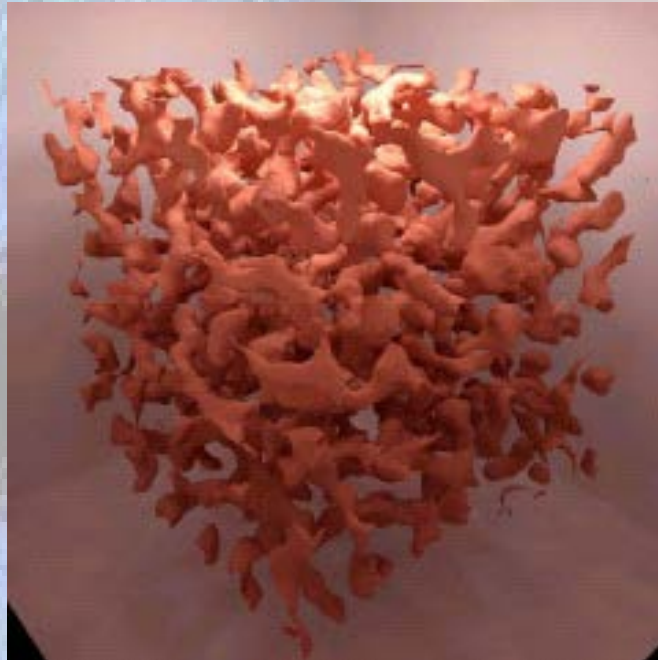
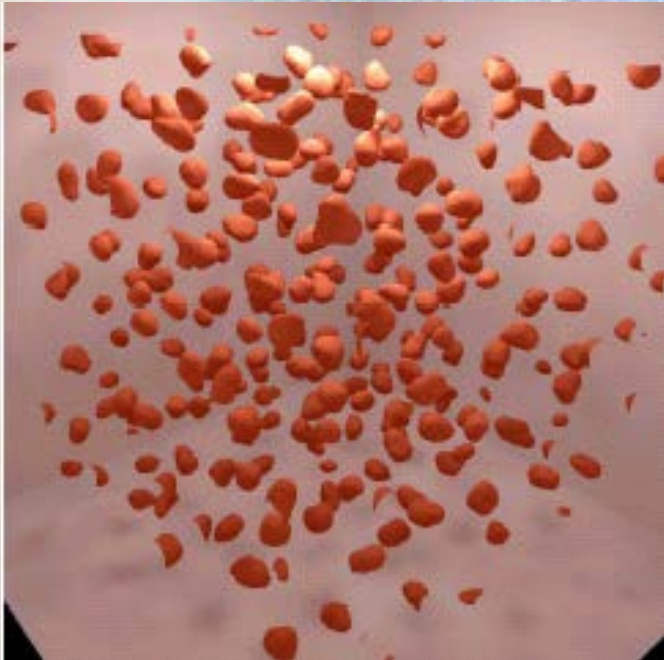
R.A. = 3h26m 43s.62
Decl. = +7°42' 34".9

A NEUTRON STAR: SURFACE and INTERIOR



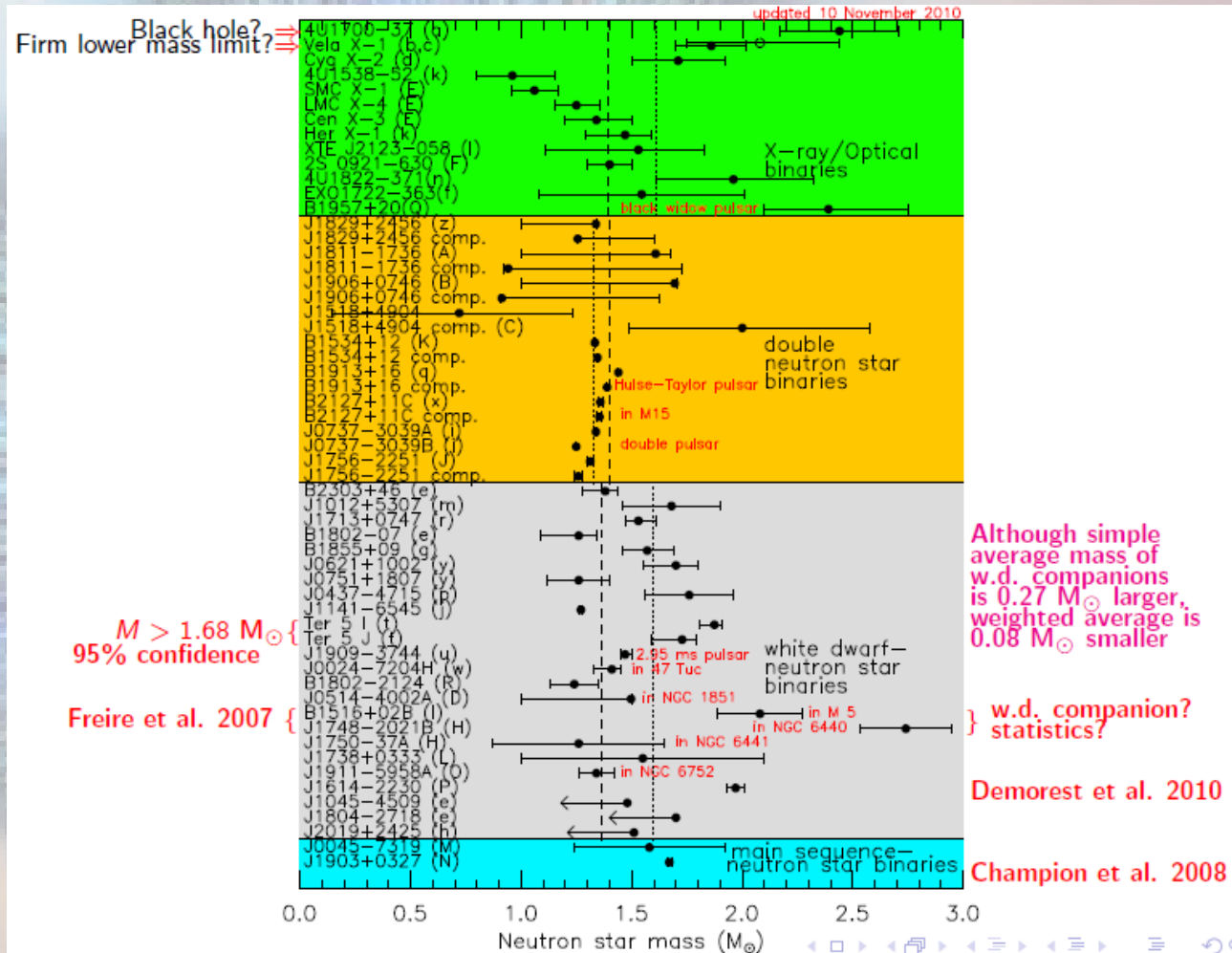
NSs from SN event

- In outer crust-core matter goes non-uniform phase called PASTA PHASE

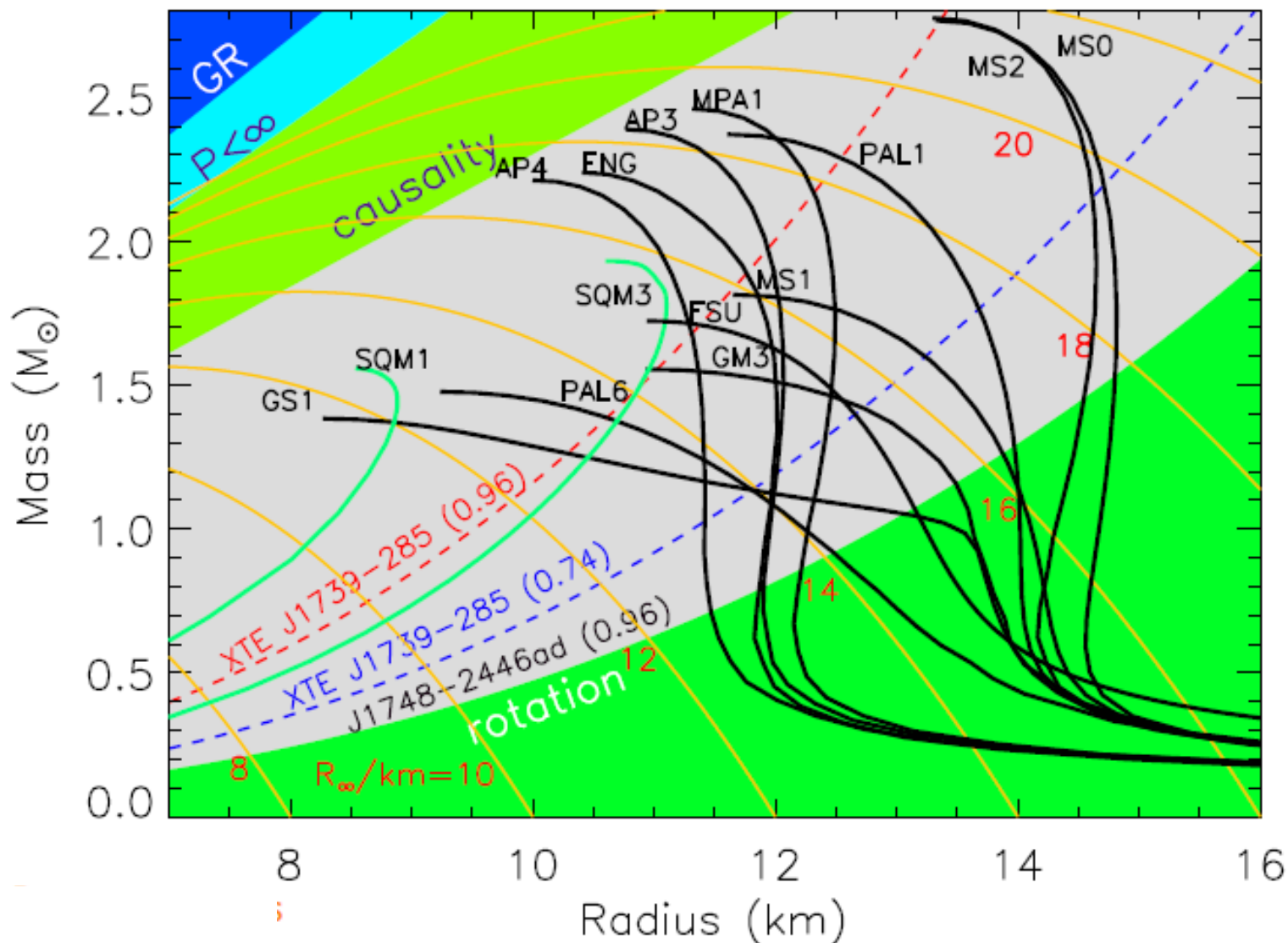


*CJ. Horowitz, M.A. Pérez
García, J.Piekarewicz*
Phys. Rev. C, 70,
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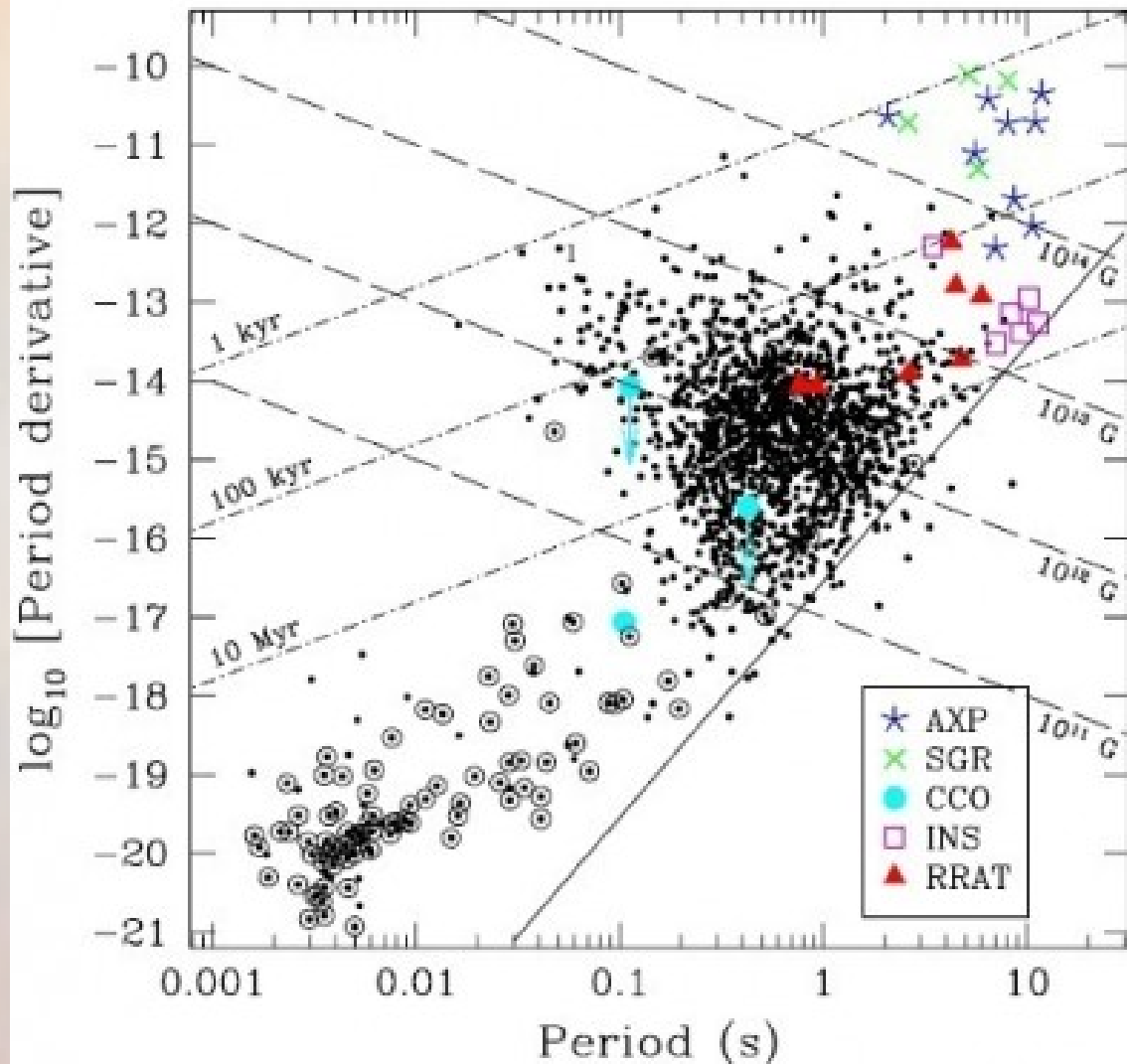
NS masses



NS structure: Mass & Radius



Pulsars vs NSs

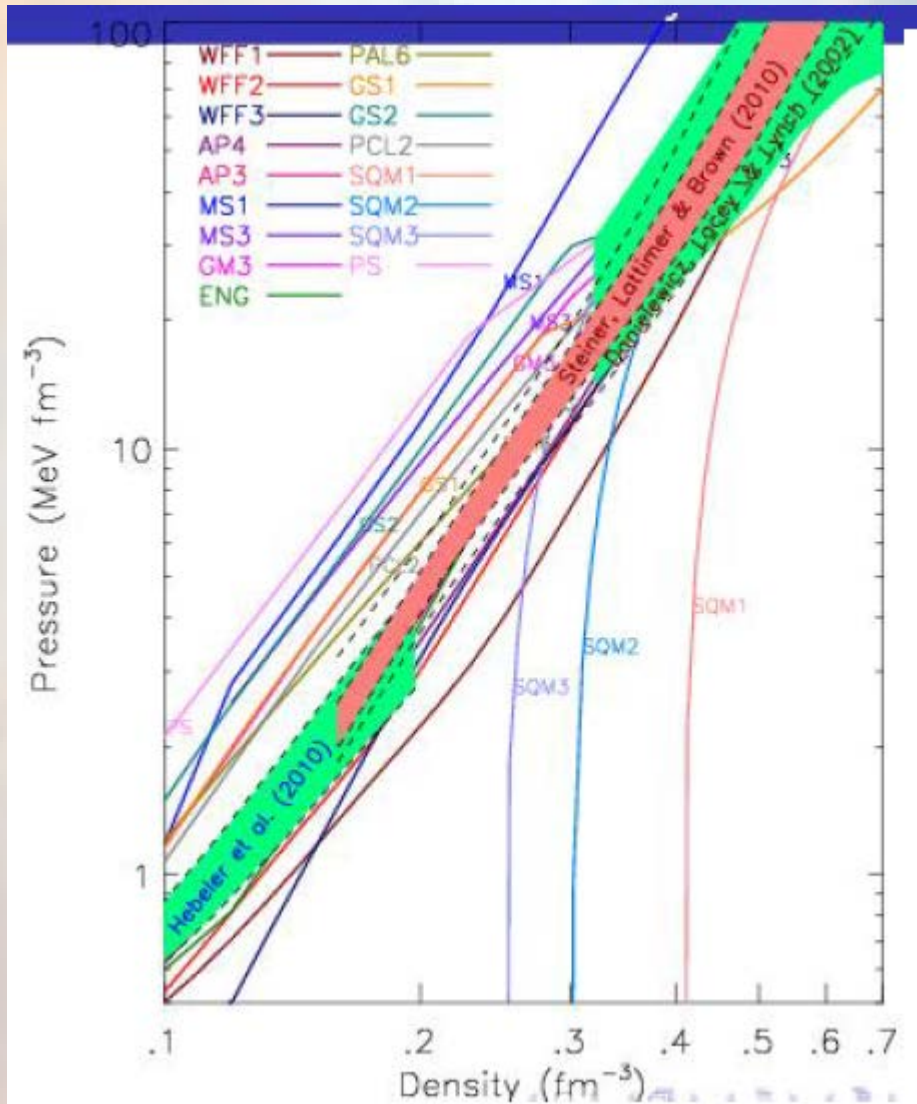


A selection of neutron star varieties including RPPs (small black dots), magnetars; and CCOs (cyan circles). The solid line is the *death line* (see text). Note magnetars have some of the lowest spins, despite being the most luminous.

For smaller neutron stars, a spin rate that slow would have already put them over the death line (where a neutron star no longer pulses and may only be faintly luminous).

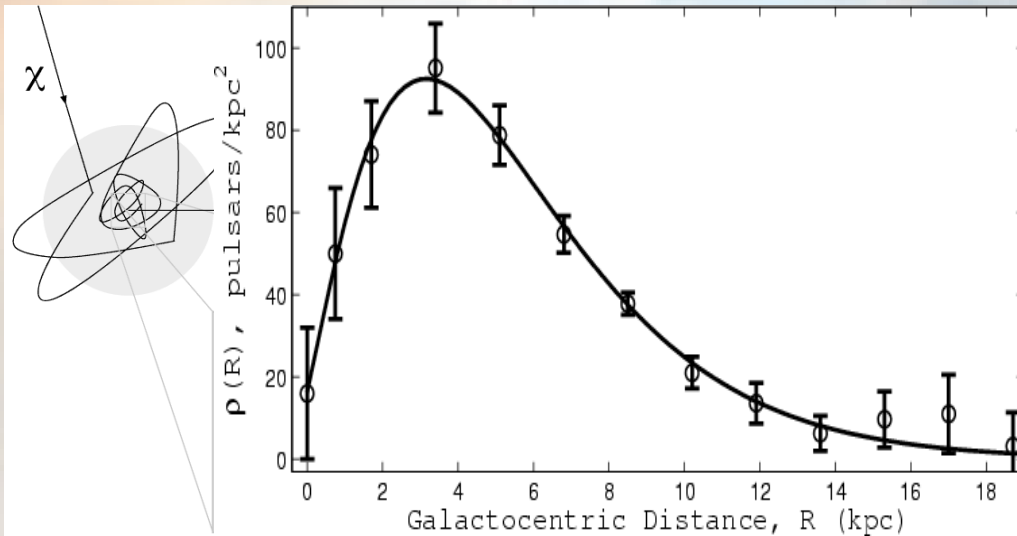
Credit: Kaspi, 2010.

Interior: experimental constraints:



- EOS constraint from:
- Mass-radius relationships [Steiner et al 2010]
- Heavy Ion collision measurements [Danielewicz et al, Science, 2002]
- Neutron matter studies [Hebeler et al 2010]

NS as accretors of DM



- Pulsar profile peaks at closer distances 3 kpc.
- WIMP DM particle candidate of Majorana type
- Capture rate vs. processes removing DM: annihilation, evaporation, decay..
- DDExp as DAMA and COGENT experiments seem to fit a 4-12 GeV/c² mass particle
- ...but surface event rejection may come into play..

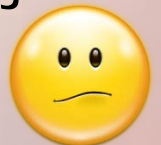
$$\dot{N}(t) = F - \Gamma_{annih} - \Gamma_{evap} - \Gamma_{decay}$$

$$\Gamma_{annih} = C_A N^2(t)$$

$$\Gamma_{evap} \approx e^{-GMm_x / RT}$$

$$\Gamma_{decay} = C_D N(t)$$

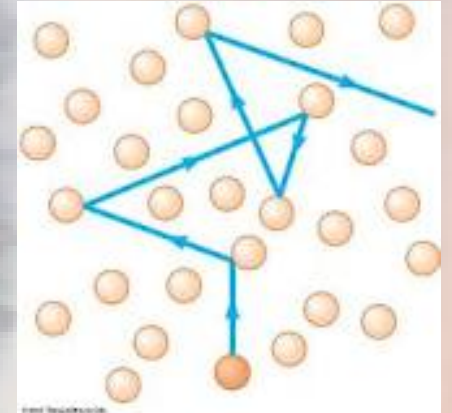
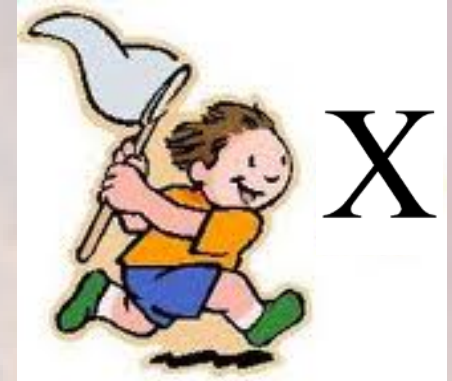
$$F(x) = \frac{3.042 \cdot 10^{25} \rho_{DM}}{m_x(\text{GeV}) \rho_{DM,0}} \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$$



DM in dense matter: MFP

The efficiency of NS to capture DM is **much larger** than for the sun since:

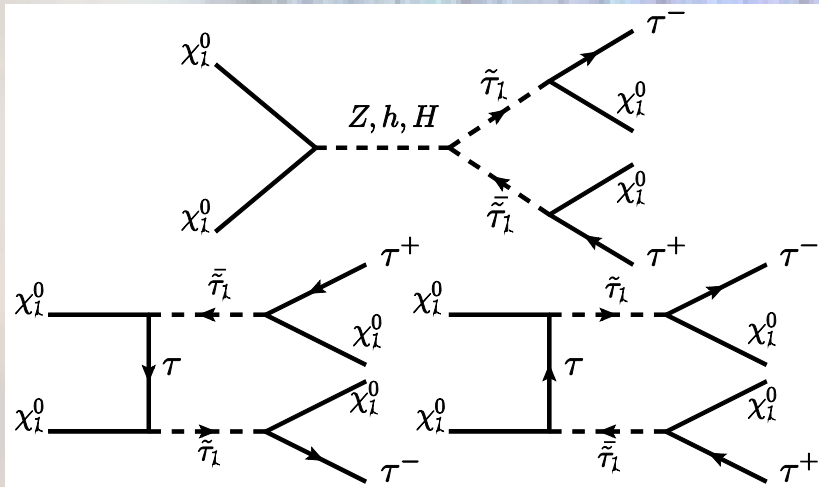
Magnitude	Sun	Neutron star
Central mass density [g/cc]	10^2	10^{14}
Mean free path [1/ σ] cm	10^{14}	100
Capture rate [s^{-1}]	10^{23}	10^{25}



- DM can be accreted from galactic profile by many massive astrophysical objects [Goldam, Nussinov, Press, Spergel, Kouvaris, Lavallaz, Fairbairn, Silk, Stone, PG,...]

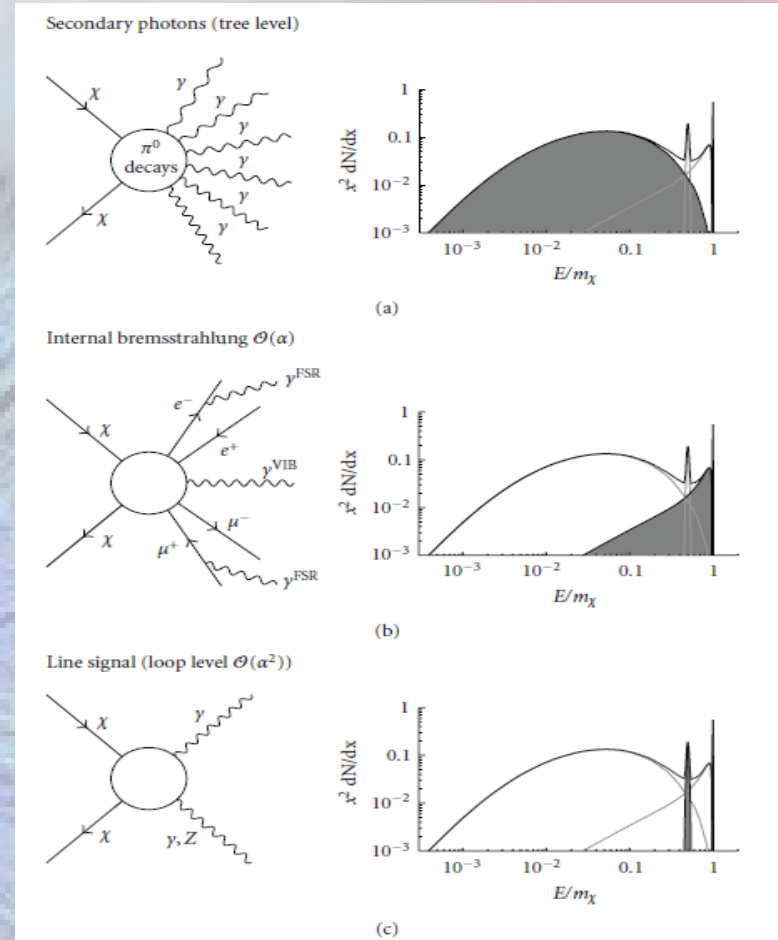
DM annihilation

The energy deposition and spectrum will depend on the astrophysical situation and allowed channels : Standard Model.....



.....or additional particle creation in more exotic NLSPs in SUSY models

Cannoni, Gómez, Perez-García, Vergados (2012) in prep



Kuhlen, Adv in Astronomy, 2010

DM energy release in NSs

$$N(t) = F\tau \tanh\left(\frac{t}{\tau}\right)$$

$$t \rightarrow \infty \quad N(t) \rightarrow F\tau$$

$$\dot{E} = f F\tau m_X c^2$$

$$f \approx 0.01-1$$

W. Press
et al, ApJ
296 679
(1985)

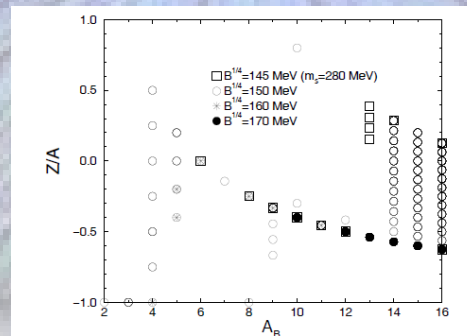
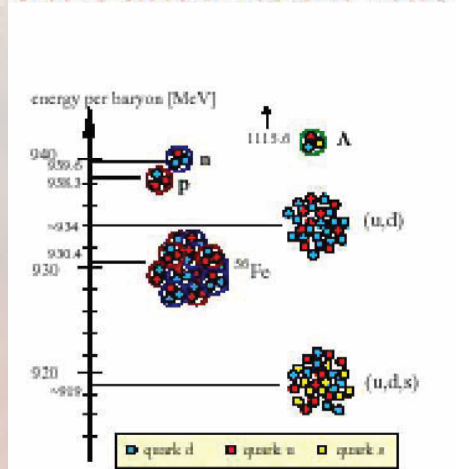
Annihilation can stimulate ud quark droplets and uds bubble formation: strangelets.

The u-d-s phase is the most stable matter (E. Witten '84) and is formed by weak decay

Strangelet (clusters with s) stability depends on : charge, size and s-fraction

DM annihilation may cause steady engine low T, hard to see [Kouvaris,2008]

Ground state of hadronic matter



J. Madsen PRD 47
1993, PRD 50 1994

DM Seeding mechanism: Trojan horse



$$\dot{N}_{slet} = \frac{\dot{E}_{annih}}{E_{slet}} \approx 10^{23} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$m_X = 1 \text{ GeV}/c^2 \quad n_A = 0.17 \text{ fm}^{-3} \quad f = 0.9$$

$$\dot{E} = f F \tau m_X c^2$$

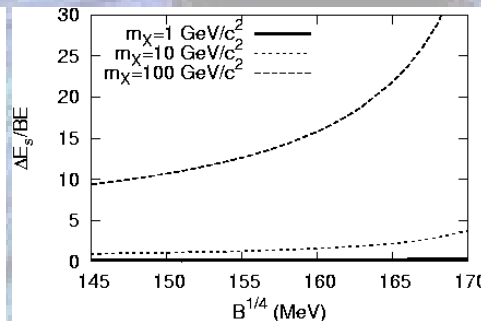
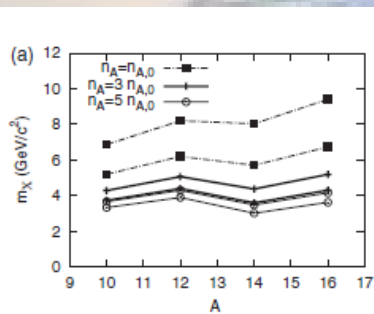
$$f \approx 0.01 - 1$$

$$m_X \geq \frac{E_{slet}(\mu_i, m_i, A, B)}{2f}$$

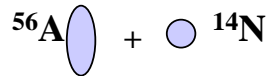
- Minimum value of A strangelet = 10-100 model, $A=10$ for a light X yields estimation of huge amounts of droplets.

- Smaller droplets will decay, may percolate though, but larger will be stable over $t \approx 100$ days.

- Formation of stable bubbles may be triggered with this mechanism.



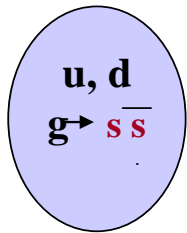
CENTAURO FIREBALL EVOLUTION



CENTRAL COLLISION

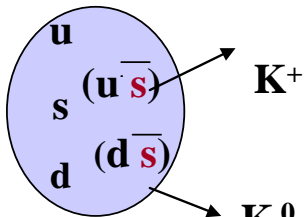
at the top of the atmosphere

$E_p \sim 1740 \text{ TeV}$



QUARK MATTER FIREBALL
in the baryon-rich fragmentation region

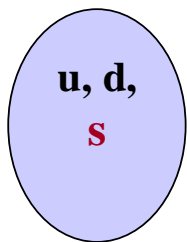
High μ_q suppresses production of $(u \bar{u}), (d \bar{d})$, favoring $g \rightarrow s \bar{s}$



(pre-equilibrium)
KAON EMISSION

K^+, K^0 carry out:

K^0 **anti-strangeness**, positive charge, entropy



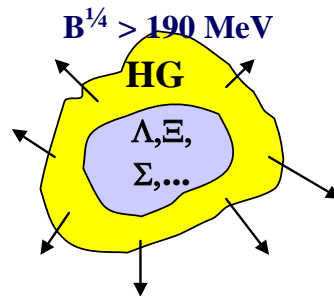
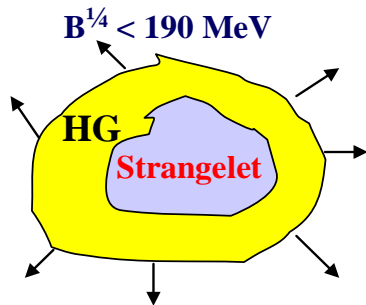
SQM FIREBALL

Stabilizing effects of **s** quarks
 \rightarrow long lived state

EXPLOSION

~ 75 non strange baryons + **strangelet**
($A \sim 10 - 15$)

Strangeness distillation mechanism.



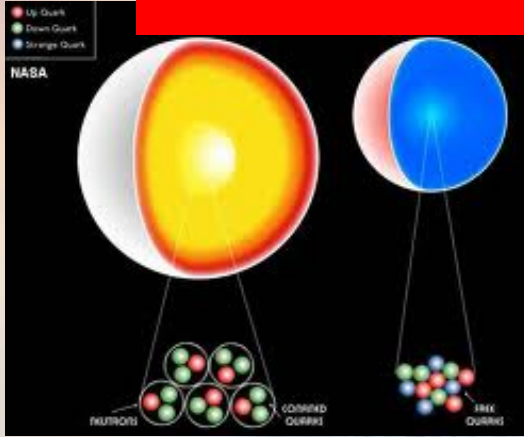
Estimates for Centauro at LHC

- Energy density $\epsilon \sim 3 - 25 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$,
- Temperature $T \sim 130 - 300 \text{ MeV}$
- Baryo-chemical potential $\mu_b \sim 0.9 - 1.8 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$

Centauro & Strangelet Generator
(from A. Panagiotou)

Phys. Rev. D45(1992)3134
Astroparticle Phys. 2(1994)167
Astroparticle Phys. 13(2000)173
Phys. Atom. Nucl. 67(2004)396

NS conversion



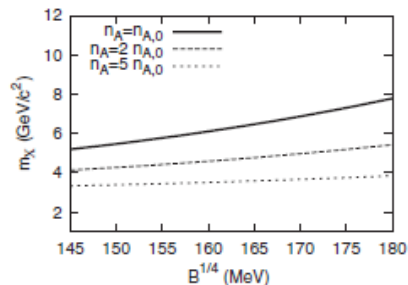
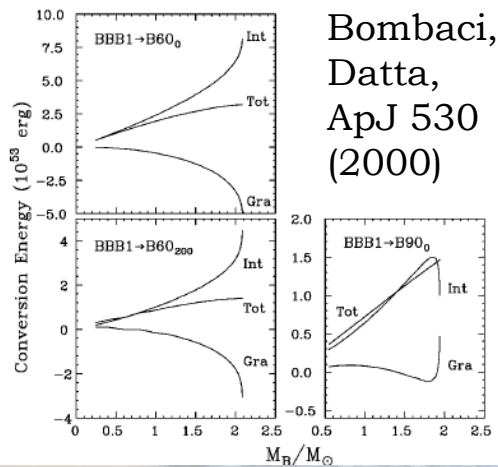
- Transition from nucleon to quark phase may happen -> constraints to DM particle candidate.

- This effect may convert NS into strange quark matter (SQM) stars.

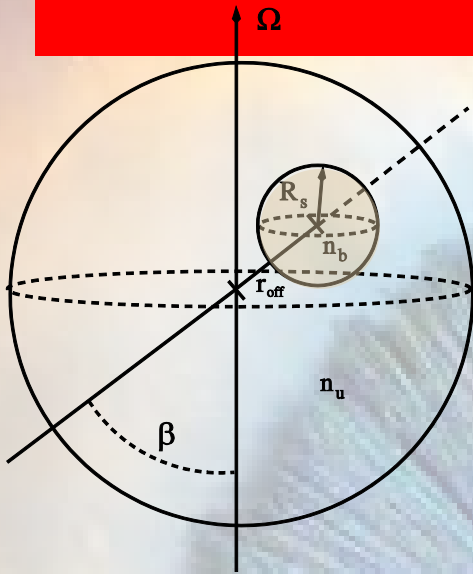
- A gamma ray burst GRB would be emitted from the conversion assuming all gravitational energy is converted into photons.

$$\Delta E \approx 10^{53} \frac{\Delta R}{R} \text{ erg}$$

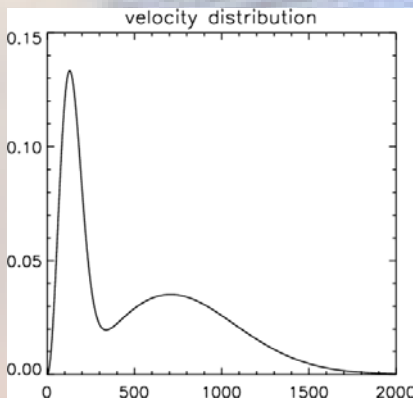
- If conversion takes place in SN event, likely off center -> asymmetric explosion.



Kinematic effects

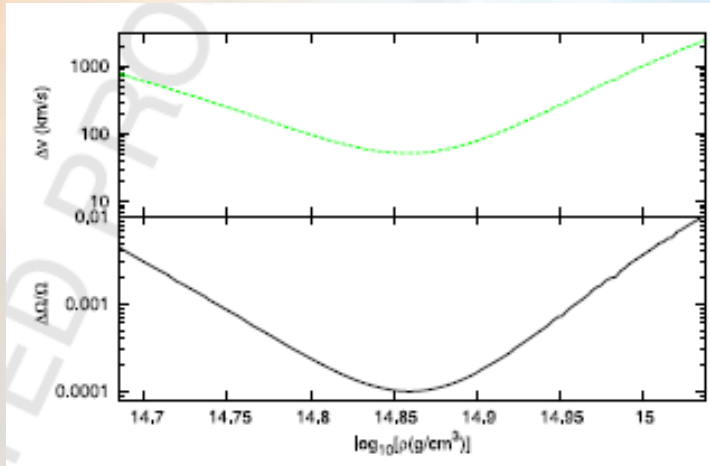


M A Perez-Garcia, J Silk,
arXiv:1111.2275, Phys. Lett. B 711, 6
(2012)



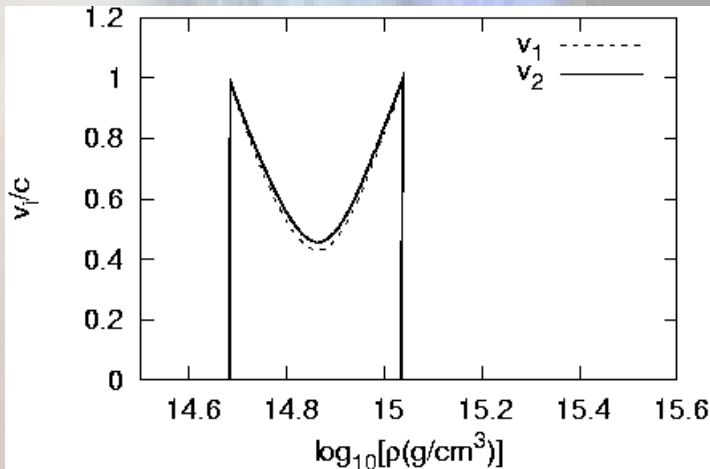
- Multispot or bubble coalescence is energetically allowed and may cause burning front.
- Typically this is off-center mechanism with asymmetry parameter $\alpha = \frac{r_{\text{off}}}{R} \approx 10^{-2}$
- The front releases energy, neutrinos, building an excess of momentum, “neutrino rockets” are not strong enough though..
- Recoils are measured, indicating a bimodal distribution, hint for NS-> QS conversion? [Bombaci, Popov A&A2004]

Kinematic effects



- If the seeding allows a burning front then there is a **velocity kick and angular velocity change**

$$\frac{\Delta\Omega}{\Omega} \approx 10^{-4} - 10^{-2}, \Delta v \approx 10^2 - 10^3 \text{ km/s}$$



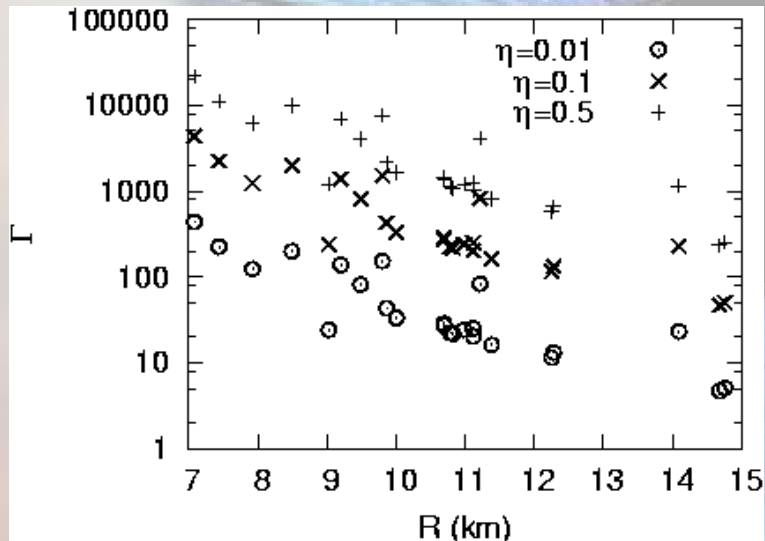
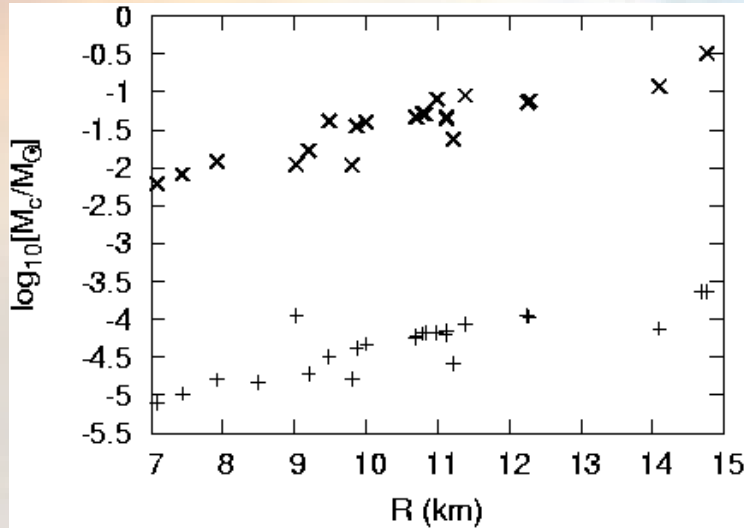
- It is consistent with estimations from X-ray bursts [Heyl ApJ 542 (2000)]

- The front releases energy, neutrinos, building an excess of momentum

- There is a correlation of kick and rotation pattern change.

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arXiv:1111.2275, PLB 711, 6 (2012)

GRBs: crust ejection mechanism



- In NS the EOS governs the crust. Typically the “neutron drip” sets the external crust.

- In the fireball model burning front may eject part of the crust, especially above neutron drip.

- In this model DM annihilation may be considered the internal engine.

- Lorentz factors in the range

$$\Gamma \approx 10 - 10^4$$

Conclusions

- Dark matter seeding in NSs constitute a very powerful test-bench as another indirect DM search tool.
- If DM is Majorana self-annihilation may release enough energy to deconfine quark content in hadrons at large central densities.
- This could drive conversion NS \rightarrow SQM star, hypothesized by Bodmer in 70's, Witten, de Rújula & Glashow in 80's.
- Deep NS to QS conversion may have correlated kinematic effects in kick velocities and rotation consistent with observed changes.
- DM seeding may then constitute a physical mechanism.
- Additional GRB emission effects may constitute an internal engine and an observable indirect DM signature.