

# Relativistic density functional approach to quark matter in compact stars

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- **Relativistic density functional approach**
- $\mu = 0$  and  $T \neq 0$
- $\mu \neq 0$  and  $T = 0$
- **Modelling compact stars**

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{q}(i\cancel{\partial} - \hat{m})q + \mathcal{L}_V + \mathcal{L}_D - \mathcal{U}$$

- **Vector and diquark interaction**

$$\mathcal{L}_V = -G_V(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu q)^2, \quad \mathcal{L}_D = G_D \sum_{A=2,5,7} (\bar{q}i\gamma_5\tau_2\lambda_A q^c)(\bar{q}^c i\gamma_5\tau_2\lambda_A q)$$

- **$\chi$ -symmetric density functional**

$$(\bar{q}q)^2 + (\bar{q}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5 q)^2 \text{ is } \chi - \text{invariant} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{U} = \mathcal{U} [(\bar{q}q)^2 + (\bar{q}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5 q)^2]$$

$$\mathcal{U} = G_0 [(1 + \alpha)\langle\bar{q}q\rangle^2 - (\bar{q}q)^2 - (\bar{q}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5 q)^2]^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$G_0$  – coupling constant

$\alpha \geq 0$  – controls quark effective mass in the vacuum

# Expansion of RDF around $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{q}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5 q \rangle = 0$

$$U = U + (\bar{q}q - \langle \bar{q}q \rangle) \Sigma_{MF} - G_S (\bar{q}q - \langle \bar{q}q \rangle)^2 - G_{PS} (\bar{q}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5 q)^2 + \dots$$

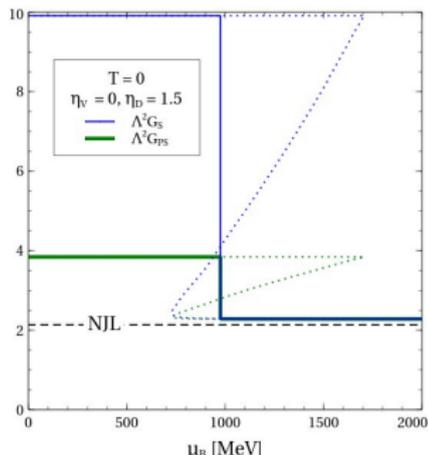
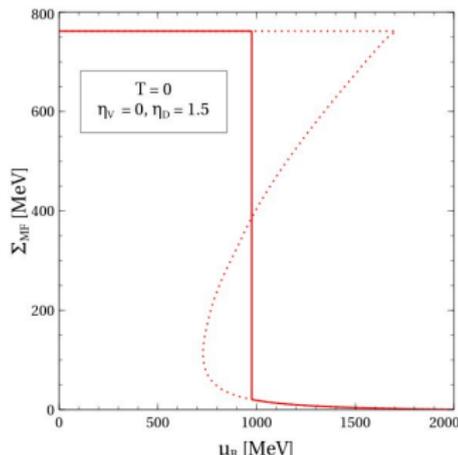
## Expansion coefficients

0<sup>th</sup> order:  $U = \mathcal{U}_{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle, \langle \bar{q}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5 q \rangle}$

1<sup>st</sup> order:  $\Sigma_{MF} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial \langle \bar{q}q \rangle}$  - mean field self-energy of quark

2<sup>nd</sup> order:  $G_S = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \langle \bar{q}q \rangle^2}$  - effective coupling in scalar channel

2<sup>nd</sup> order:  $G_{PS} = -\frac{1}{6} \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial \langle \bar{q}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5 q \rangle^2}$  - effective coupling in pseudoscalar channel



$$\eta_i \equiv \frac{G_i}{G_S^\infty}$$

# Comparison to NJL model

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{q}(i\not{\partial} - \underbrace{(m + \Sigma_{MF})}_{\text{effective mass } m^*})q + G_S(\bar{q}q)^2 + G_{PS}(\bar{q}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5 q)^2 + \dots$$

- **Similarities:**

- ① current-current interaction
- ② scalar, pseudoscalar, vector, diquark, ... channels

- **Differences:**

- ① high  $m^*$  at low  $T$  and/or  $\mu$  - **phenomenological confinement**

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle = \langle \bar{q}q \rangle_0 \Rightarrow m^* = m - \frac{2G_0}{3} \langle \bar{q}q \rangle_0^{1/3} \alpha^{-2/3} \quad - \text{diverges at } \alpha \rightarrow 0$$

- ② medium dependent couplings

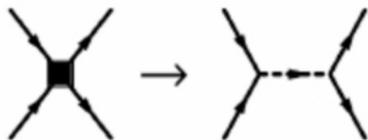
low  $T$  and/or  $\mu \Rightarrow G_S \neq G_{PS} \Rightarrow$  broken  $\chi$ -symmetry

high  $T$  and/or  $\mu \Rightarrow G_S = G_{PS} \Rightarrow$  restored  $\chi$ -symmetry

# Bosonization of (pseudo)scalar interaction

- Hubbard-Stratonovich transformation

$$\exp \left[ \int dx G_\phi (\bar{q} \hat{\Gamma} q)^2 \right] = \int [D\phi] \exp \left[ - \int dx \left( \frac{\phi^2}{4G_\phi} + \bar{q} \phi \hat{\Gamma} q \right) \right]$$



- Bosonized Lagrangian ( $m^* = m + \Sigma_{MF}$  - effective quark mass)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= \bar{q}(i\not{D} - m^*)q + \mathcal{L}_V + \mathcal{L}_D - U + \langle \bar{q}q \rangle \Sigma_{MF} \\ &\quad - \frac{\sigma^2}{4G_S} - \frac{\vec{\pi}^2}{4G_{PS}} - \bar{q}(\sigma + i\vec{\pi}\vec{\tau}\gamma_5)q + \sigma \langle \bar{q}q \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- Field equations for  $\sigma$  and  $\vec{\pi}$

$$\begin{cases} \sigma = 2G_S(\langle \bar{q}q \rangle - \bar{q}q) \\ \vec{\pi} = 2G_{PS}(\langle \bar{q}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5 q \rangle - \bar{q}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5 q) \end{cases} \Rightarrow \langle \sigma \rangle = \langle \vec{\pi} \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \sigma, \vec{\pi} - \text{beyond MF}$$

**comment:**  $\langle \sigma \rangle = 0$  does not assume  $\chi$ -symmetry since  $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \neq 0$

# Thermodynamic potential

- Fully bosonized Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{Q} \hat{S}_{NG}^{-1} Q + \underbrace{\frac{\omega_\mu \omega^\mu}{4G_V} - \frac{\Delta_A \Delta_A^*}{4G_D} - \frac{\sigma^2}{4G_S} - \frac{\vec{\pi}^2}{4G_{PS}}}_{\text{meson part } \mathcal{L}_{mes}} - \underbrace{U + \langle \bar{q}q \rangle}_{\text{MF part } \mathcal{L}_{MF}} \Sigma_{MF}$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} q \\ q^c \end{pmatrix} - \text{Nambu-Gorkov quark bispinor}$$

$$\hat{S}_{NG}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} i\not{\partial} + \not{\psi} - m^* - \sigma - i\vec{\tau}\vec{\pi}\gamma_5 & i\Delta_A \gamma_5 \tau_2 \lambda_A \\ i\Delta_A \gamma_5 \tau_2 \lambda_A & i\not{\partial} + \not{\psi} - m^* - \sigma - i\vec{\tau}\vec{\pi}\gamma_5 \end{pmatrix} - \text{Nambu - Gorkov quark propagator}$$

- Statistical partition (quark fields are integrated out)

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int [D\omega_\mu][D\Delta_A][D\Delta_A^*][D\sigma][D\vec{\pi}] \exp \left[ \int dx (\mathcal{L}_{mes} + \mathcal{L}_{MF}) + \frac{1}{2} \ln \det(\beta S_{NG}^{-1}) \right]$$

$$\Omega = -\frac{1}{\beta V} \ln \mathcal{Z}$$

# Zero chemical potential

- **Quark propagator**

$$\mu = 0 \Rightarrow \omega_\mu = 0, \Delta_A = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{S}_{NG}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{S}_{MF}^{-1} + \Sigma_{mes} & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{S}_{MF}^{-1} + \Sigma_{mes} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{S}_{MF}^{-1} = i\not{\partial} - m^* + \mu\gamma_0 - \text{MF propagator of quarks}$$

$$\Sigma_{mes} = -\sigma - i\vec{\tau}\vec{\pi}\gamma_5 - \text{beyond MF quark self-energy due to meson correlations}$$

- **Gaussian approximation**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \ln \det(\beta \hat{S}_{NG}^{-1}) &= \text{tr} \ln(\beta \hat{S}_{MF}^{-1}) + \text{tr} \ln(1 + \hat{S}_{MF} \Sigma_{mes}) \\ &\simeq \text{tr}(\beta \hat{S}_{MF}^{-1}) + \text{tr}(\hat{S}_{MF} \Sigma_{mes}) + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\hat{S}_{MF} \Sigma_{mes})^2 \end{aligned}$$

- **Polarization operators of bosons**

$$\Pi_\sigma = -\text{tr}(\hat{S}_{MF})^2, \quad \Pi_\pi = -\text{tr}(\hat{S}_{MF} i\gamma_5)^2$$

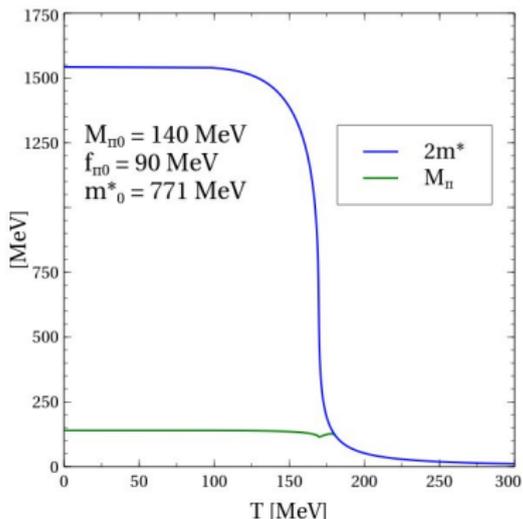
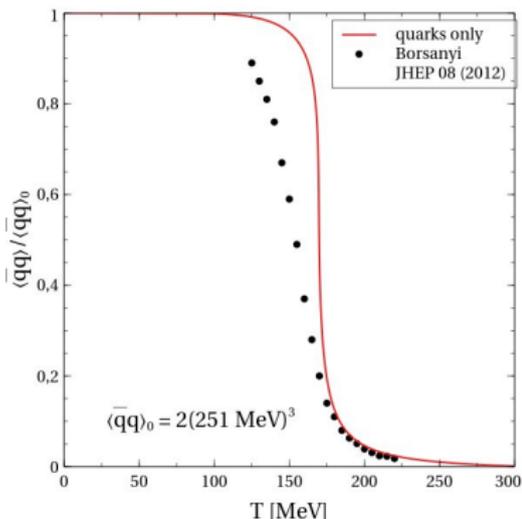
# Zero chemical potential

$$\Omega = \underbrace{\Omega_{MF}}_{\text{mean field}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\beta V} \text{tr} \left( \frac{1}{2G_S} - \Pi_\sigma \right)}_{\sigma\text{-mesons}} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{2\beta V} \text{tr} \left( \frac{1}{2G_{PS}} - \Pi_\pi \right)}_{\pi\text{-mesons}}, \quad \langle \bar{q}q \rangle = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial m}$$

## • Meson propagators and masses

$$D_\sigma^{-1} = \frac{1}{2G_S} - \Pi_\sigma, \quad D_\pi^{-1} = \frac{1}{2G_{PS}} - \Pi_\pi$$

$D_i^{-1} = 0 \Rightarrow$  dispersion relation  $E_i(k)$  with mass  $M_i = E_i(0)$  for  $i = \sigma, \pi$



# Finite chemical potential (mean field level)

$$\Omega = -\frac{\omega^2}{4G_V} + \frac{\Delta^2}{4G_D} + U - \langle \bar{q}q \rangle \Sigma_s$$

$$- 2 \sum_f \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^3} \left[ \overbrace{\frac{\xi_f^+ + \xi_f^-}{2} + T \ln(1 + e^{-\beta \xi_f^+}) + T \ln(1 + e^{-\beta \xi_f^-})}^{1 \text{ unpaired color state}} \right. \\ \left. + \overbrace{E_f^+ + E_f^- + 2T \ln(1 + e^{-\beta E_f^+}) + 2T \ln(1 + e^{-\beta E_f^-})}^{2 \text{ paired color states}} \right]$$

- **Single quark energies**

$$\xi_f^\pm = \sqrt{k^2 + m_f^{*2}} \mp \mu_f^*, \quad E_f^\pm = \sqrt{\xi_f^{\pm 2} + \Delta^2}, \quad \mu_f^* = \mu_f - \omega$$

- **Vector field, diquark gap,  $\chi$ -condensate**

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \omega} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \Delta} = 0, \quad \langle \bar{q}q \rangle = \sum_f \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial m_f}$$

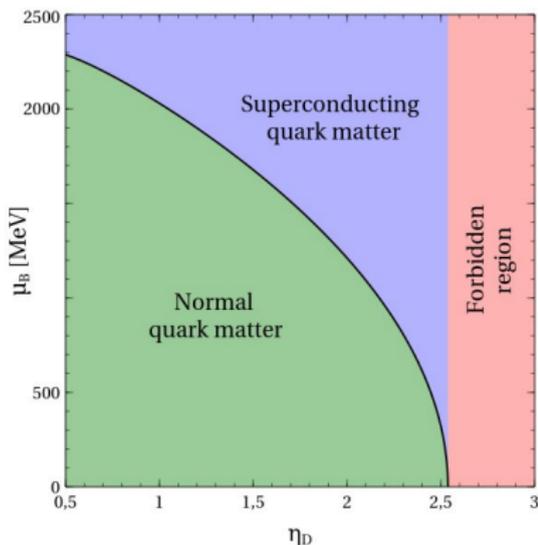
# Superconductivity onset ( $T = 0$ )

- **Diquark gap equation**

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \Delta} = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta = 0 \text{ or } 1 = 4G_D \sum_f \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^3} \left[ \frac{1}{E_f^+} + \frac{1}{E_f^-} \right]$$

- **Superconductivity onsets when two solutions coincide**

$$\left. \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial \Delta^2} \right|_{\Delta=0} = \frac{1}{2G_D} - 2 \sum_f \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^3} \left[ \frac{1}{E_f^+} + \frac{1}{E_f^-} \right]_{\Delta=0} = 0 \Rightarrow \mu_B = \mu_B(G_D)$$



No vacuum superconductivity

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$$\eta_D \lesssim 2.5$$

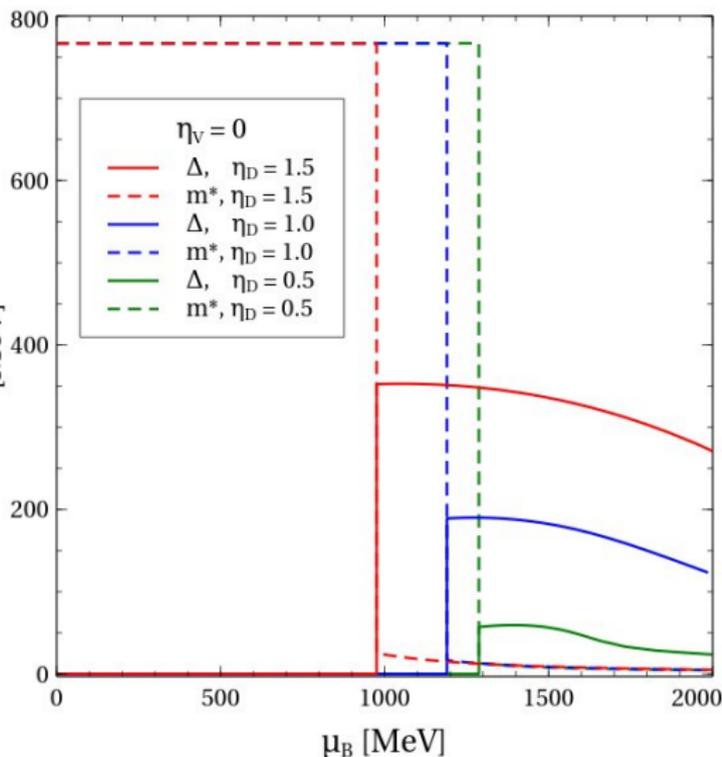
# Effective mass and diquark gap

- Effective mass

$$m^* = m + 4G_D \int \frac{m_f}{\epsilon_f} \times \left[ \frac{\xi_f^+}{E_f^+} + \frac{\xi_f^-}{E_f^-} + 1 - \theta(-\xi_f^+) \right] [\text{MeV}]$$

- Diquark gap

$$1 = 4G_D \int \left[ \frac{1}{E_f^+} + \frac{1}{E_f^-} \right]$$



- **Charge neutrality:** electrons

- **$\beta$ -equilibrium:**

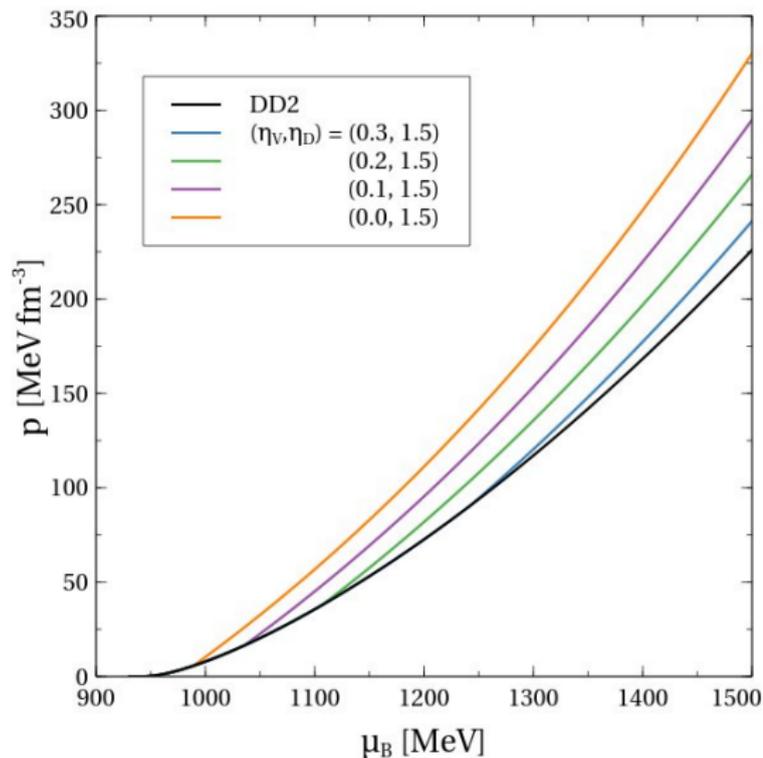
$$\mu_d = \mu_u + \mu_e$$

- **Hadron EoS:** DD2

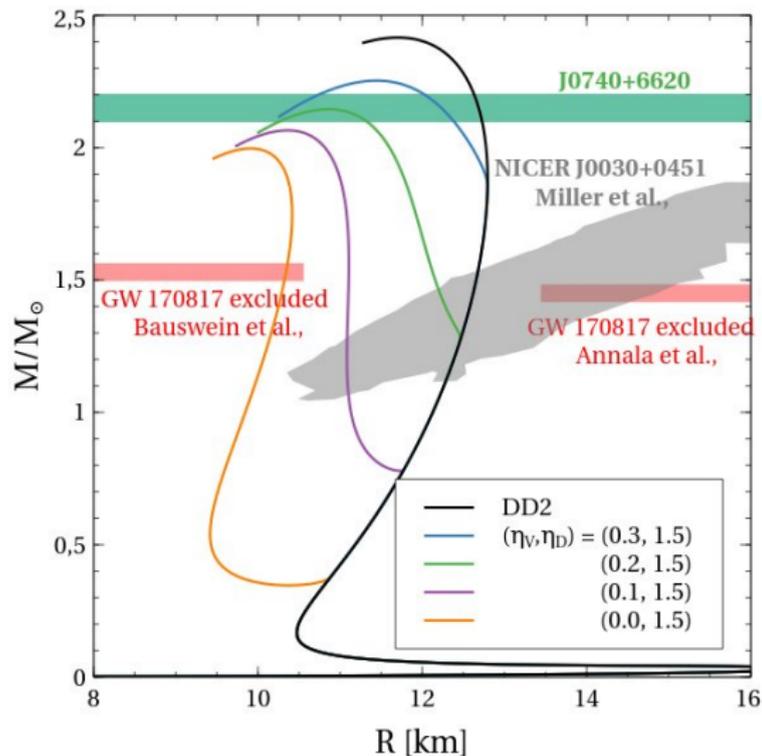
S. Typel et al., PRC 81, 015803 (2010)

- **Maxwell construction:**

$$p_q(\mu_B^c) = p_h(\mu_B^c)$$



# Compact stars with quark core



# Conclusions

- $\chi$ -symmetric formulation of the String-Flip Model, derivation of the effective "confining" NJL model
- Medium dependent quark-meson couplings, derived consistently with model and symmetries
- Straightforward addition of vector and diquark channels
- Good agreement with the observational data even at weak repulsion
- Next steps:
  - 1 strangeness
  - 2 other mesonic states and baryons beyond mean-field
  - 3 unified quark-hadron EoS (hadron dissociation via Mott effect, hadronic correlations via Beth-Uhlenbeck approach)
  - 4 ...