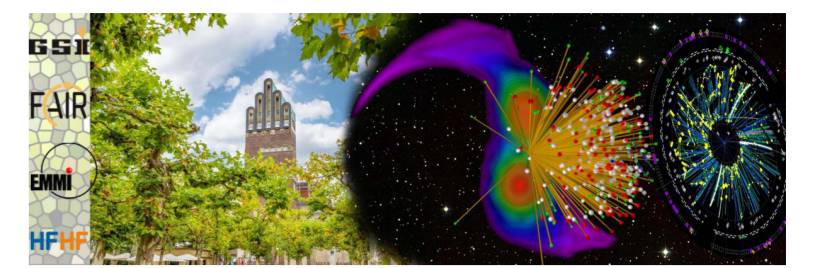


Robust universal relations in neutron star asteroseismology

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Abstract

We study the non-radial oscillation (NRO) of neutron star (NS) for a huge number of equation of state (EOS) which satisfy nuclear saturation properties at saturation density and perturbative quantum chromodynamics (pQCD) at asymptotically high densities. EOSs are constrained by the NS observations. We find some previously found universal relations (UR) are not actually universal at all. We also found a new UR between NRO and radius of NS for a given mass.

Main objectives

1. To get an ensemble of EOSs which satisfy chiral effective field theory (CET) at low density and pQCD at asymptotically high density and thermodynamically consistent.
2. Constrain EOSs by NS observations like M_{\odot} , R , Λ , etc.
3. To check the robustness of previously found URs
4. To find a new UR between star's properties like mass, radius and NROs.

Introduction

NSs are the exciting cosmic laboratories to study the behaviour of matter at extreme densities. The current astrophysical observations lack behind to estimate most of the NSs macroscopic properties like its different modes of oscillations etc. So the universal relations play important roles to get macroscopic quantities which are not estimated till now in present experiments. Here we devise some universal relations relating mass, radius and non-radial oscillations on NSs. We use two types of relativistic mean field (RMF) models at low densities and pQCD at asymptotically high densities and piece-wise polytrope to interpolate in the intermediate densities. All EOSs are thermodynamically consistent and satisfy the gravitational wave (GW) and Neutron star Interior Composition Explorer (NICER) observations.

Mathematical section

Nuclear matter EOS at low density

The Lagrangian, including baryons (n and p) as the constituents of nuclear matter and mesons (σ , ω and ρ) as the carriers of interactions, is given as

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi} \left[\gamma^{\mu} \left(i\partial_{\mu} - \Gamma_{\omega} A_{\mu}^{(\omega)} - \Gamma_{\rho} \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{\mu}^{(\rho)} \right) - m \right] \Psi + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \partial_{\mu} \phi \partial^{\mu} \phi - m_{\sigma}^2 \phi^2 \right\} + \Gamma_{\sigma} \phi \bar{\Psi} \Psi - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^{(\omega)} F^{(\omega)\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_{\omega}^2 A_{\mu}^{(\omega)} A^{(\omega)\mu} - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^{(\rho)} \cdot F^{(\rho)\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_{\rho}^2 \mathbf{A}_{\mu}^{(\rho)} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{(\rho)\mu},$$

where $F^{(\omega,\rho)\mu\nu} = \partial^{\mu} A^{(\omega,\rho)\nu} - \partial^{\nu} A^{(\omega,\rho)\mu}$ are meson field strength tensors. The $\Gamma_{\sigma,\omega,\rho}$ are density-dependent coupling constants and given in Ref. Malik2021.

Pulsating equations

The equations governing NROs of fluid comprising neutron star matter (NSM) and the boundary condition at the surface of NS are given as

$$W' = \frac{d\epsilon}{dP} \left(\omega^2 r^2 e^{\Lambda-2\Phi} V + W\Phi' \right) - l(l+1)e^{\Lambda} V, \quad V' = 2V\Phi' - \frac{1}{r^2} W e^{\Lambda}, \quad \omega^2 r^2 e^{\Lambda-2\Phi} V + W\Phi' = 0.$$

Results

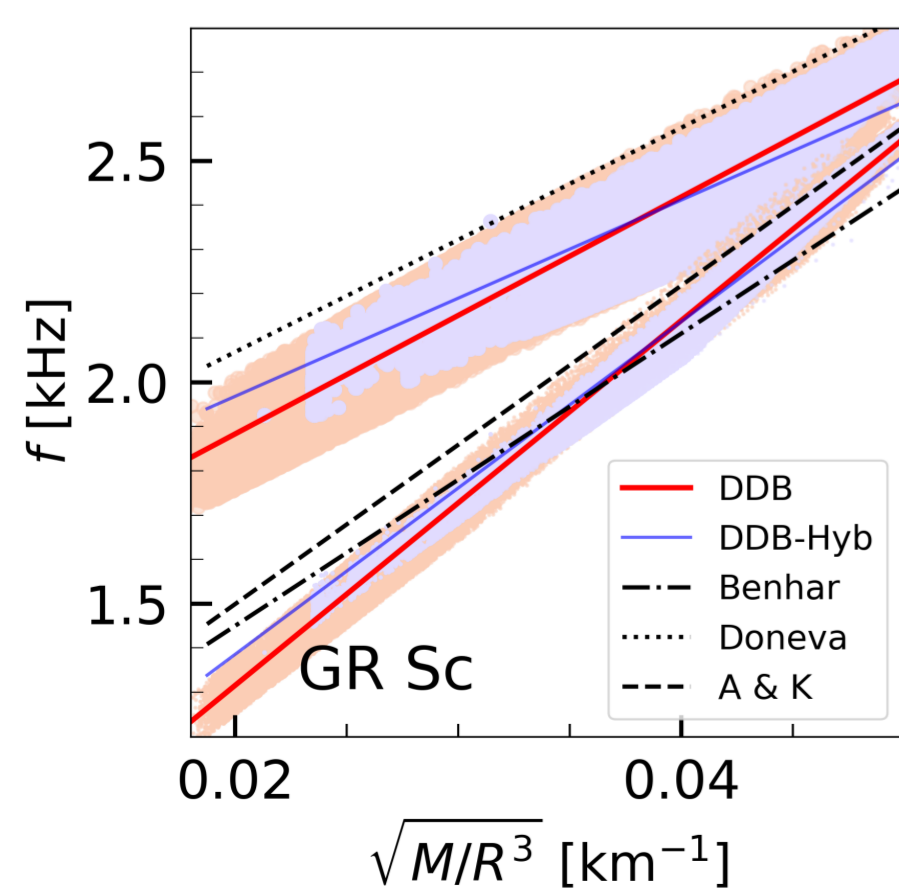


Figure 3: UR1 := $f = a\sqrt{(M/R^3)} + b$ where $a = 22.27 \pm 0.023$ (26.76 ± 0.01) kHz.km, $b = 1.520 \pm 0.001$ (1.348 ± 0.001) kHz for DDB-Hyb (DDB) set.

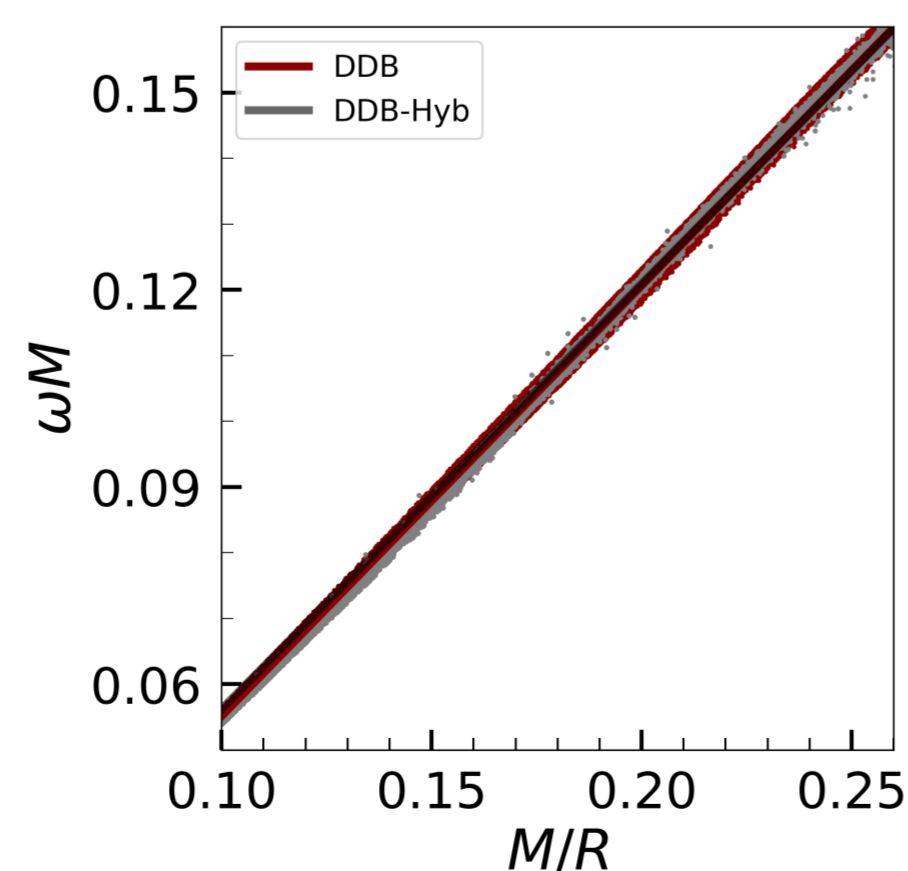


Figure 4: UR2 := $\omega M = a \left(\frac{M}{R} \right) + b$ where $a = 0.6474 \pm 4.6 \times 10^{-5}$ ($a = 0.6549 \pm 2.6 \times 10^{-5}$) and $b = -0.0085 \pm 1.05 \times 10^{-5}$ ($b = -0.0103 \pm 6.18 \times 10^{-6}$) for DDB-Hyb (DDB) set.

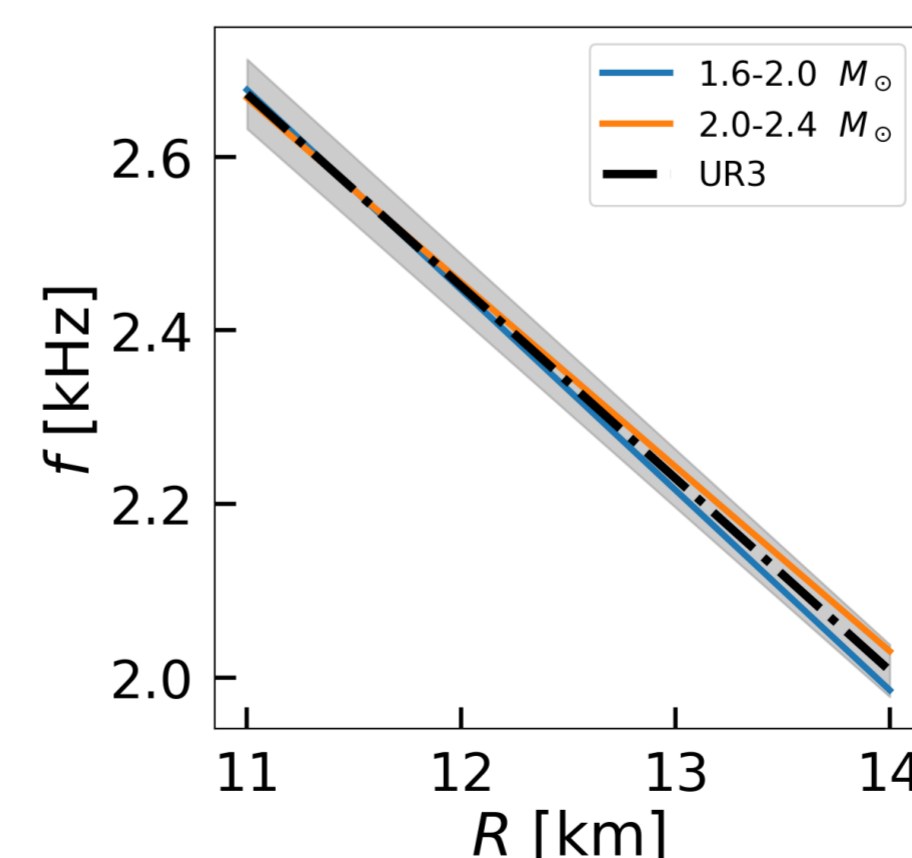


Figure 5: UR3 := linear relation between f mode frequency and NS radius R . The values of slope $m \in [-0.23, -0.21]$ and intercept $c \in [5.21, 5.0]$.

Perturbative QCD EOS at asymptotically high density

A simple fitting function for the pressure as a function of chemical potential (μ) given as

$$P_{\text{pQCD}}(\mu) = \frac{\mu^4}{108\pi^2} \left(c_1 - \frac{d_1 X^{-\nu_1}}{(\mu/\text{GeV}) - d_2 X^{-\nu_2}} \right)$$

where the parameters are $c_1 = 0.9008$, $d_1 = 0.5034$, $d_2 = 1.452$, $\nu_1 = 0.3553$ and $\nu_2 = 0.9101$ Ref. Fraga2013.

Piece-wise polytrope EOS at intermediate densities

The intermediate densities region is interpolated with piece-wise polytrope.

$$p_i = \kappa_i \rho^{\gamma_i}$$

The resulted EOS need to be consistent with thermodynamics.

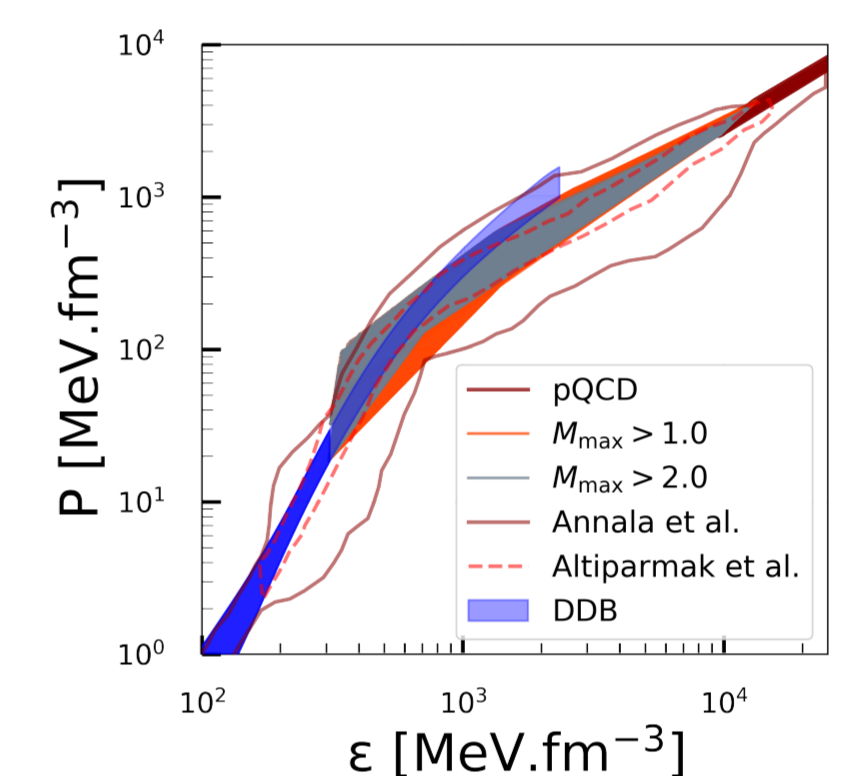


Figure 1: The cloud of EOSs.

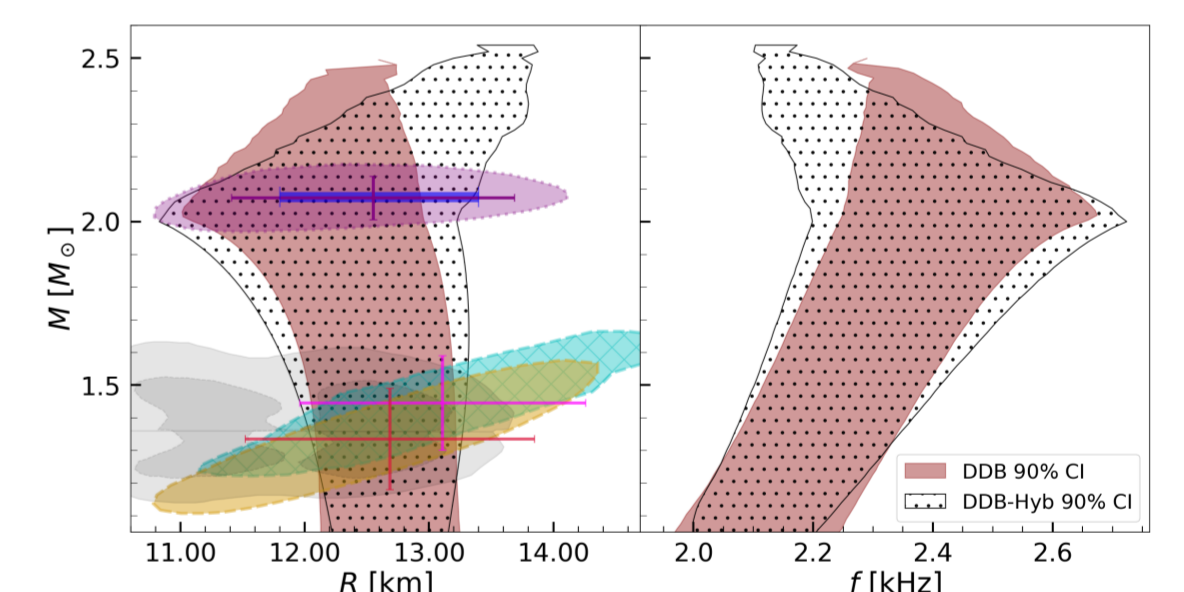


Figure 2: MR and FM clouds.

Conclusions

We find UR1 is no longer universal and re-estimate constants present in UR2. We also find a new universal relation UR3 in between NRO f mode frequencies and radius of NSs within our models (DDB and DDB-Hyb).

Forthcoming research

I am working on rotating structure of NSs and try to constrain EOS further using the rotation frequency of NS.