

Spontaneous scalarization and heavy neutron stars

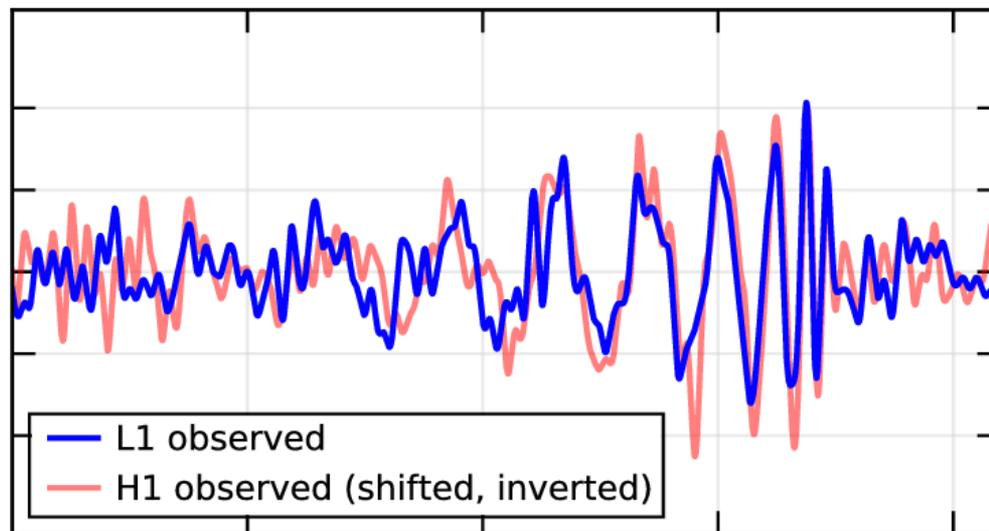
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Introduction

Testing gravity at extreme density has become possible!

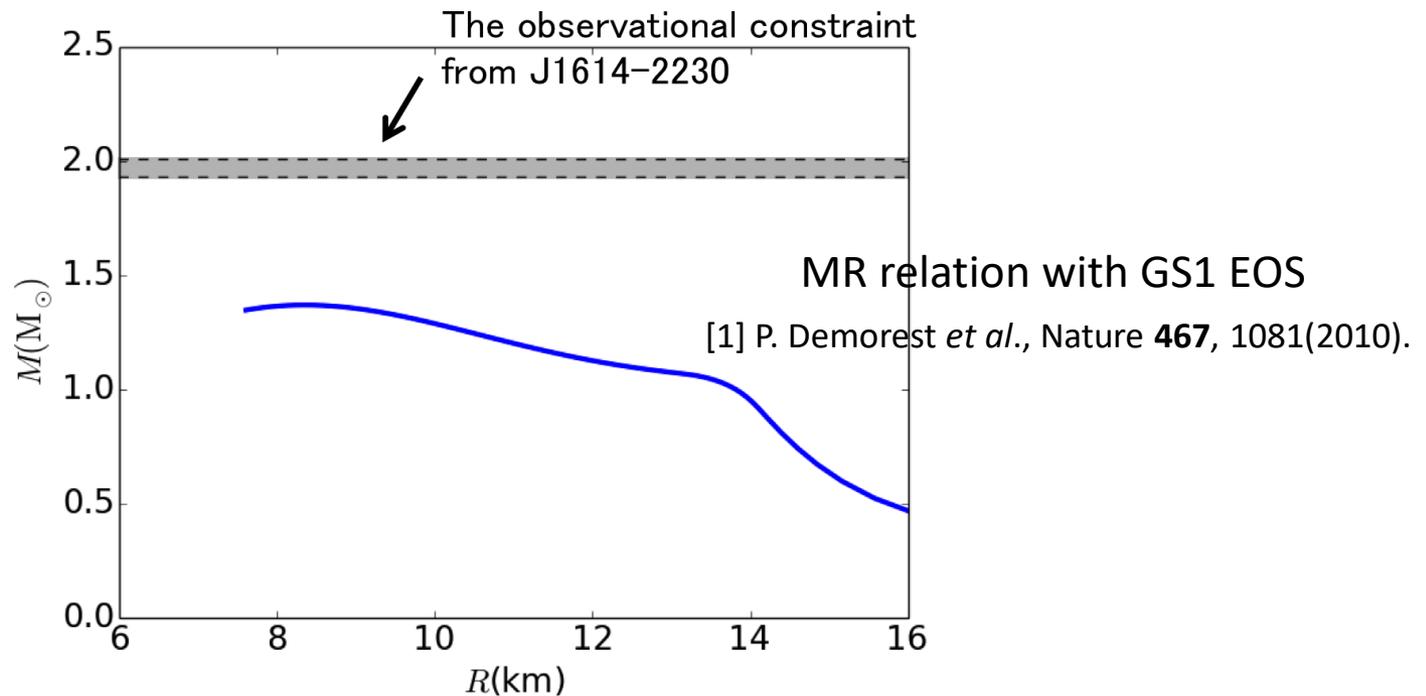
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Have we already found evidence for non-GR?₂

2M_⊙ Neutron Star

It is difficult to explain the existence of **2M_⊙ NS** [1] if the effect of strange hadrons is taken into account.



hyperon puzzle

Two possibilities

- Not complete understanding of nuclear matter
- GR is not correct

(Simplest) scalar-tensor theory

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(\frac{R}{16\pi G} - \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi^2 \right) + S_m[\psi_m, A^2(\phi) g_{\mu\nu}]$$

Physical metric
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Including us

We feel $A^2(\phi)g_{\mu\nu}$ as our metric.

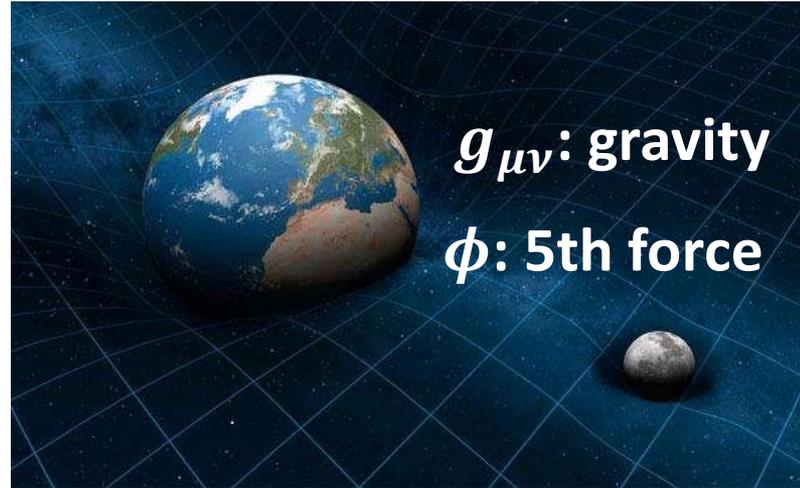
Universal coupling $A^2(\phi)$

may arise from non-minimal coupling between ϕ and $g_{\mu\nu}$.

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \left(\frac{\tilde{R}}{16\pi G} + f(\phi)\tilde{R} - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - V(\phi) \right) + S_m[\psi_m, \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}]$$

I do not consider the origin of the universal coupling.

That we feel both $g_{\mu\nu}$ and ϕ means that we source $g_{\mu\nu}$ and ϕ .



Field equations

$$G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G \left[- \left(\frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi + \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi^2 \right) g_{\mu\nu} + \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi + \underline{A^2(\phi) \tilde{T}_{\mu\nu}} \right],$$

$$\square_g \phi - \frac{dV_{\text{eff}}}{d\phi} = 0, \quad V_{\text{eff}} \equiv \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi^2 - \frac{1}{4} \tilde{T} A^4(\phi).$$

The value ϕ depends on the environment(= \tilde{T}).

The effective gravitational constant ($GA^2(\phi)$) depends on the environment ($\phi = 0$ is GR).

Spontaneous scalarization

Damour&Esposito-Fareese 1993

$$\nabla^2 \phi - \frac{d}{d\phi} V_{eff} = 0$$

$$V_{eff} = \frac{m_\phi^2}{2} \phi^2 - \frac{T}{4} A^4(\phi) \approx \frac{m_\phi^2}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{\rho}{4} A^4(\phi)$$

from the conformal coupling

ρ : energy density of matter

Around $\phi = 0$, approximating $A^2(\phi) \approx 1 + \frac{1}{2} A^{2''}(0)\phi^2$, we have

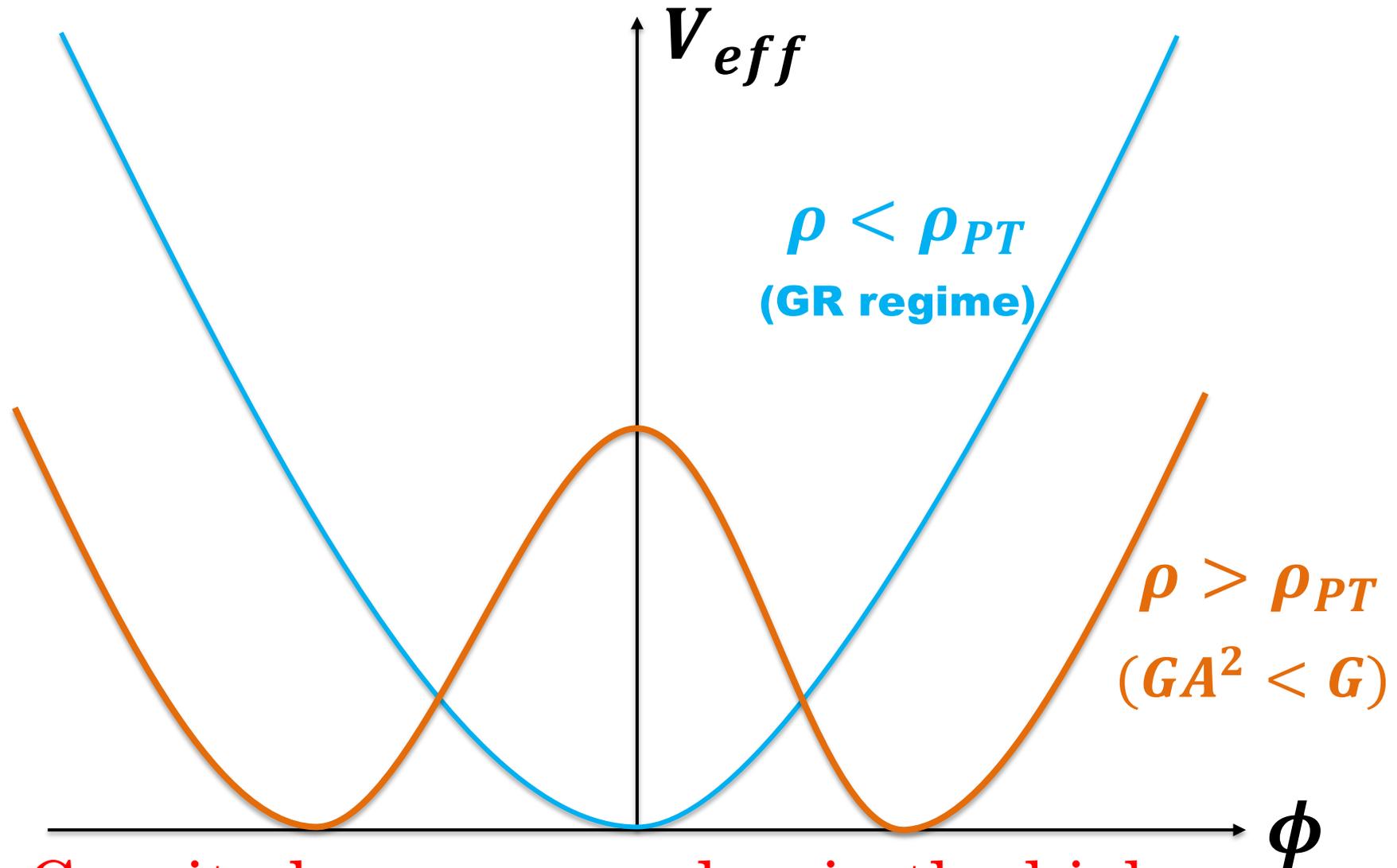
$$V_{eff} \approx \frac{\rho}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \left(m_\phi^2 + \frac{\rho}{2} A^{2''}(0) \right) \phi^2 + \dots$$

If $A^{2''}(0) < 0$, then $\phi = 0$ becomes unstable for

$$\rho > \rho_{PT} = \frac{2m_\phi^2}{-A^{2''}(0)}$$

and symmetry breaking occurs (**Spontaneous scalarization**).

Spontaneous scalarization



Gravity becomes weaker in the high density region.

Previous researches

✓ $m_\phi = 0$ [1]

△Stringent constraints from binary pulsar[2]

△GR is not cosmological attractor.

$m_\phi \neq 0$ [4]

◎ GR is cosmological attractor

◎ Oscillating ϕ behaves as dark matter

✓ $\lambda_\phi \equiv m_\phi^{-1} > 100\text{km}$ [3]

□ $\lambda_\phi \lesssim R_{NS} \sim 10\text{km}$

this talk

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What we did in this study

S.Morisaki and TS 2017

We investigated the structure of non-spinning NSs in this model for $\lambda_\phi \lesssim 10$ km.

The parameters in this model are

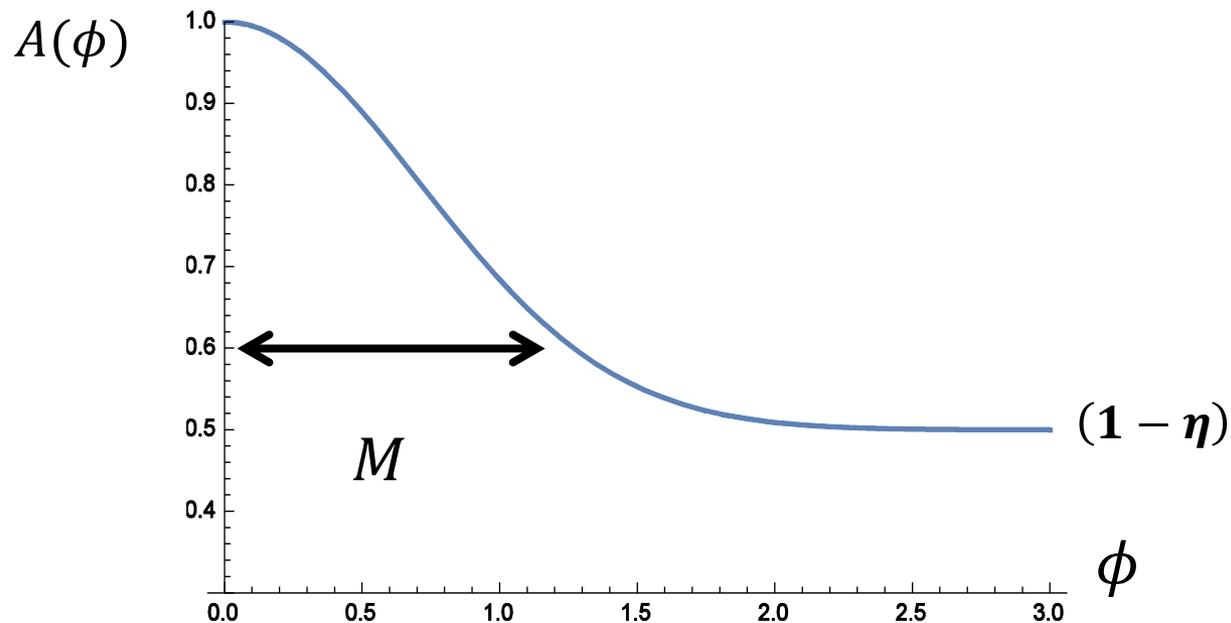
η : How significantly gravity is weakened

ρ_{PT} : Critical density for symmetry breaking

λ_ϕ : Compton wavelength

Functional form of $A^2(\phi)$ (phenomenological)

$$A^2(\phi) = 1 - \eta + \eta \exp\left[-\frac{\phi^2}{2M^2}\right], \quad 0 < \eta < 1.$$

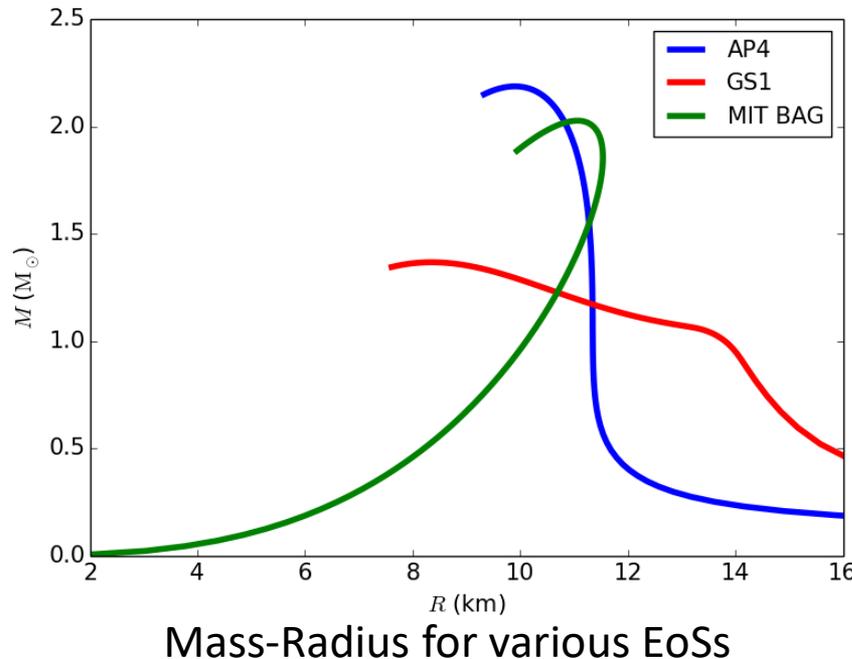


$G_{eff} = G$ for low density

$G_{eff} = (1 - \eta)G$ for high density.

Equations of state (EoSs)

- $npe\mu$ \longrightarrow AP4 EOS [1]
- With strange hadrons \longrightarrow GS1 EOS [1]
Our main target
- Strange quark matter \longrightarrow MIT BAG model [2]



Modified TOV equations

Static and spherically symmetric configuration

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -e^{\nu(r)} dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{1 - \frac{2\mu(r)}{r}} + r^2 d\Omega^2, \quad \phi = \phi(r), \quad \tilde{p} = \tilde{p}(r), \quad \tilde{\epsilon} = \tilde{\epsilon}(r).$$

$$\frac{d\mu}{dr} = 2\pi G \left(r(r - 2\mu) \left(\frac{d\phi}{dr} \right)^2 + r^2 m_\phi^2 \phi^2 \right) + 4\pi G A^4(\phi) r^2 \tilde{\epsilon},$$

$$\frac{d\nu}{dr} = 4\pi G r \left(\frac{d\phi}{dr} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{r(r - 2\mu)} (8\pi G r^3 A^4(\phi) \tilde{p} - 4\pi G r^3 m_\phi^2 \phi^2 + 2\mu),$$

$$\frac{d\tilde{p}}{dr} = -(\tilde{\epsilon} + \tilde{p}) \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{d\nu}{dr} + \frac{d \ln A(\phi)}{dr} \right),$$

Scalar force contribution

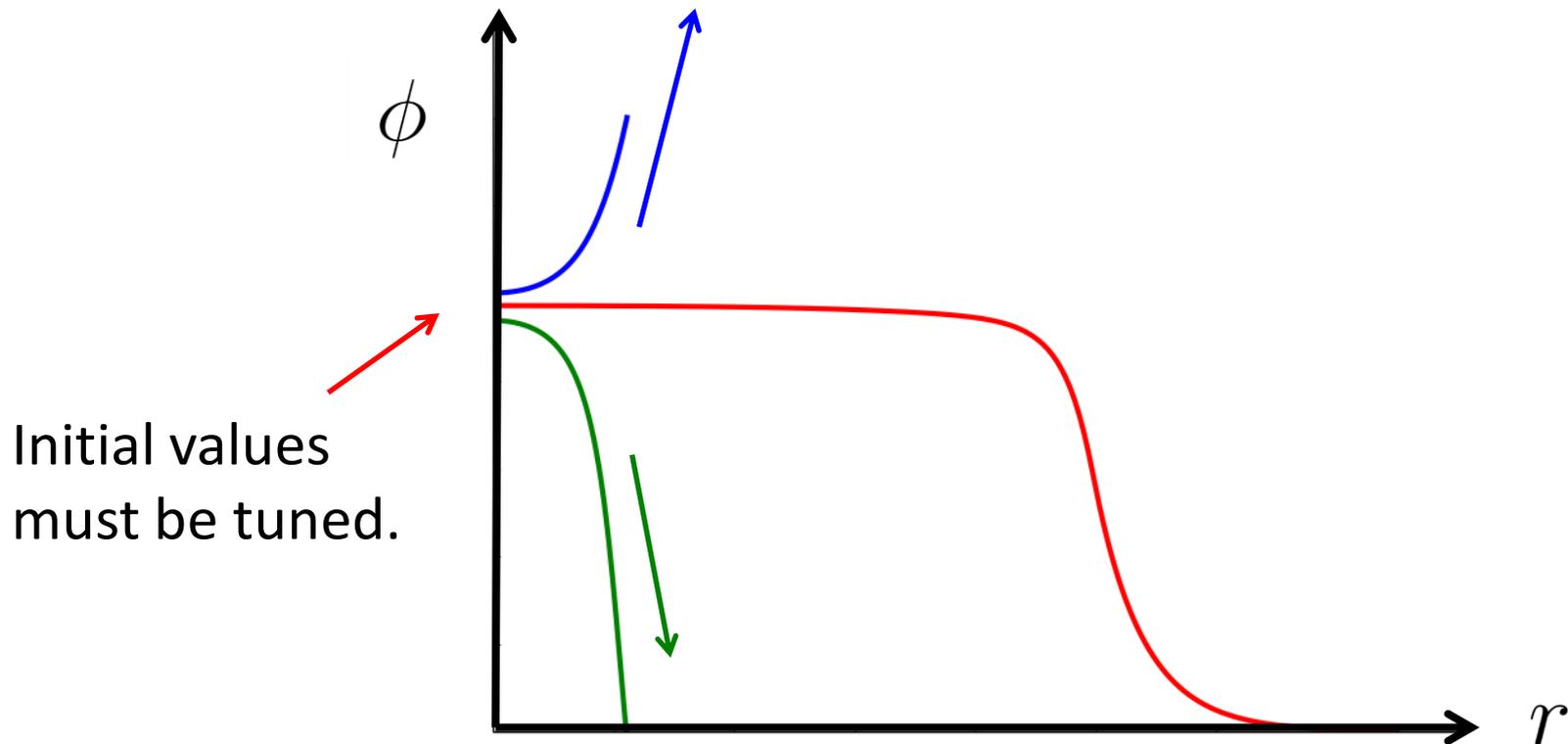
$$(r - 2\mu) \frac{d^2 \phi}{dr^2} = -2 \left(1 - \frac{\mu}{r} \right) \frac{d\phi}{dr} + m_\phi^2 \left(4\pi G r^2 \phi^2 \frac{d\phi}{dr} + r\phi \right) + r A^4(\phi) \left(4\pi G r (\tilde{\epsilon} - \tilde{p}) \frac{d\phi}{dr} + \alpha(\tilde{\epsilon} - 3\tilde{p}) \right).$$

Boundary conditions

There is only one free parameter
(neutron star mass)

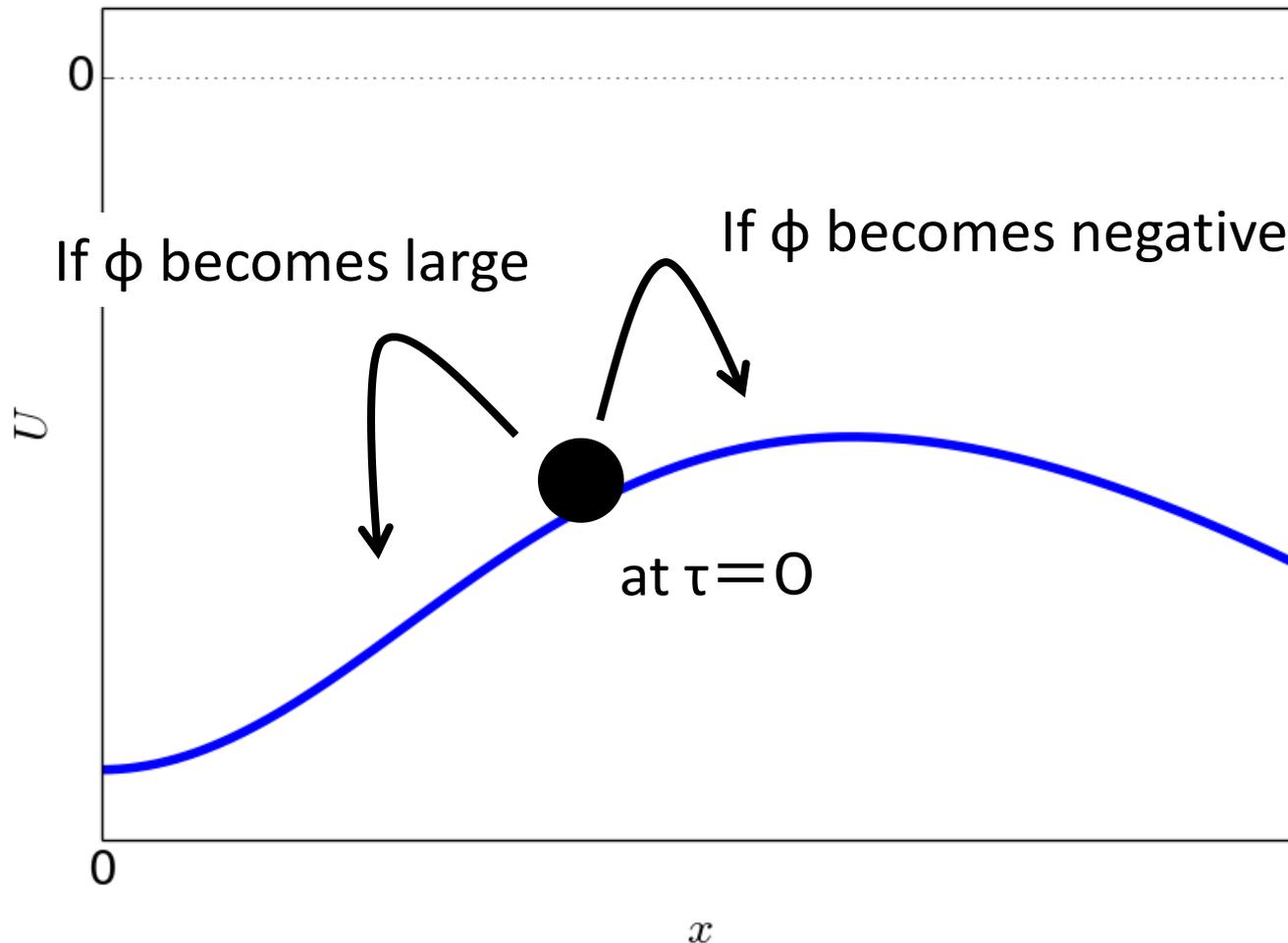
$$\mu(0) = 0, \nu(0) = 0, \tilde{p}(0) = \tilde{p}_c, \phi'(0) = 0, \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \phi(r) = 0.$$

Non-singularity at $r=0$



Mildly massive case($10 \text{ km} \geq \lambda_\phi \gtrsim 1 \text{ km}$)

We used the **shooting method**.



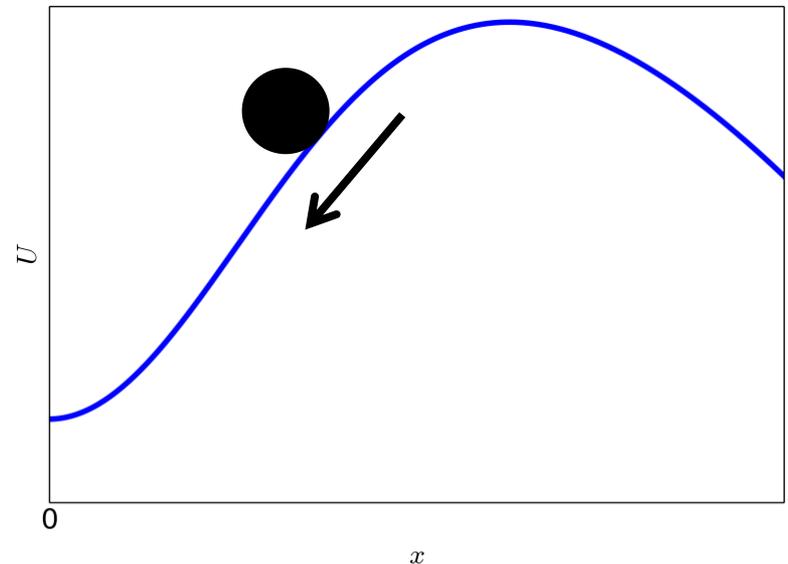
Very massive case ($\lambda_\phi \ll 1\text{km}$)

Numerical integration becomes difficult.

Numerical error
grows exponentially.

$$\propto \exp \left[C \frac{r}{\lambda_\phi} \right]$$

with $C = \mathcal{O}(1)$.



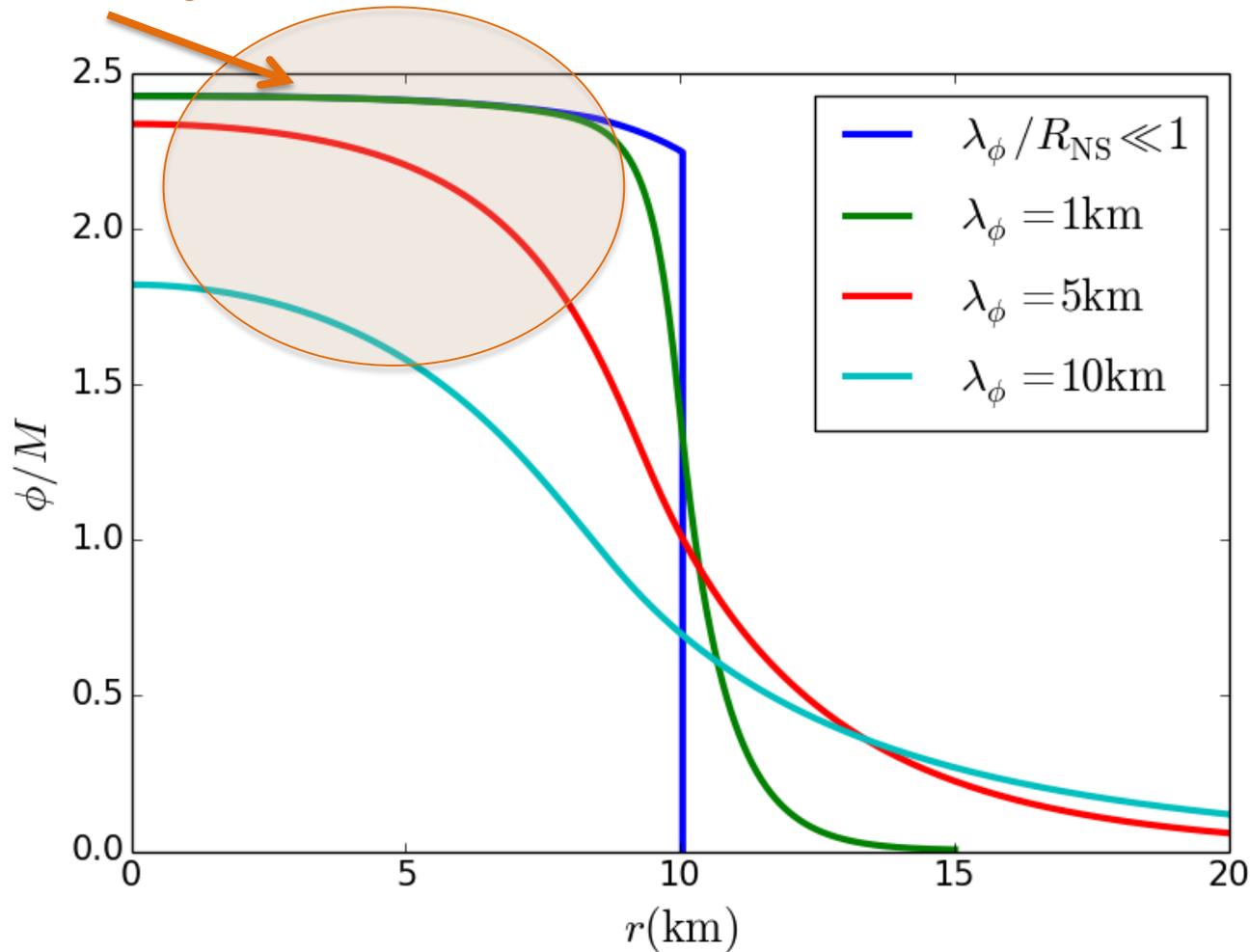
We have invented a semi-analytical method to solve this problem.

Results

Profile of ϕ

Scalarization phase

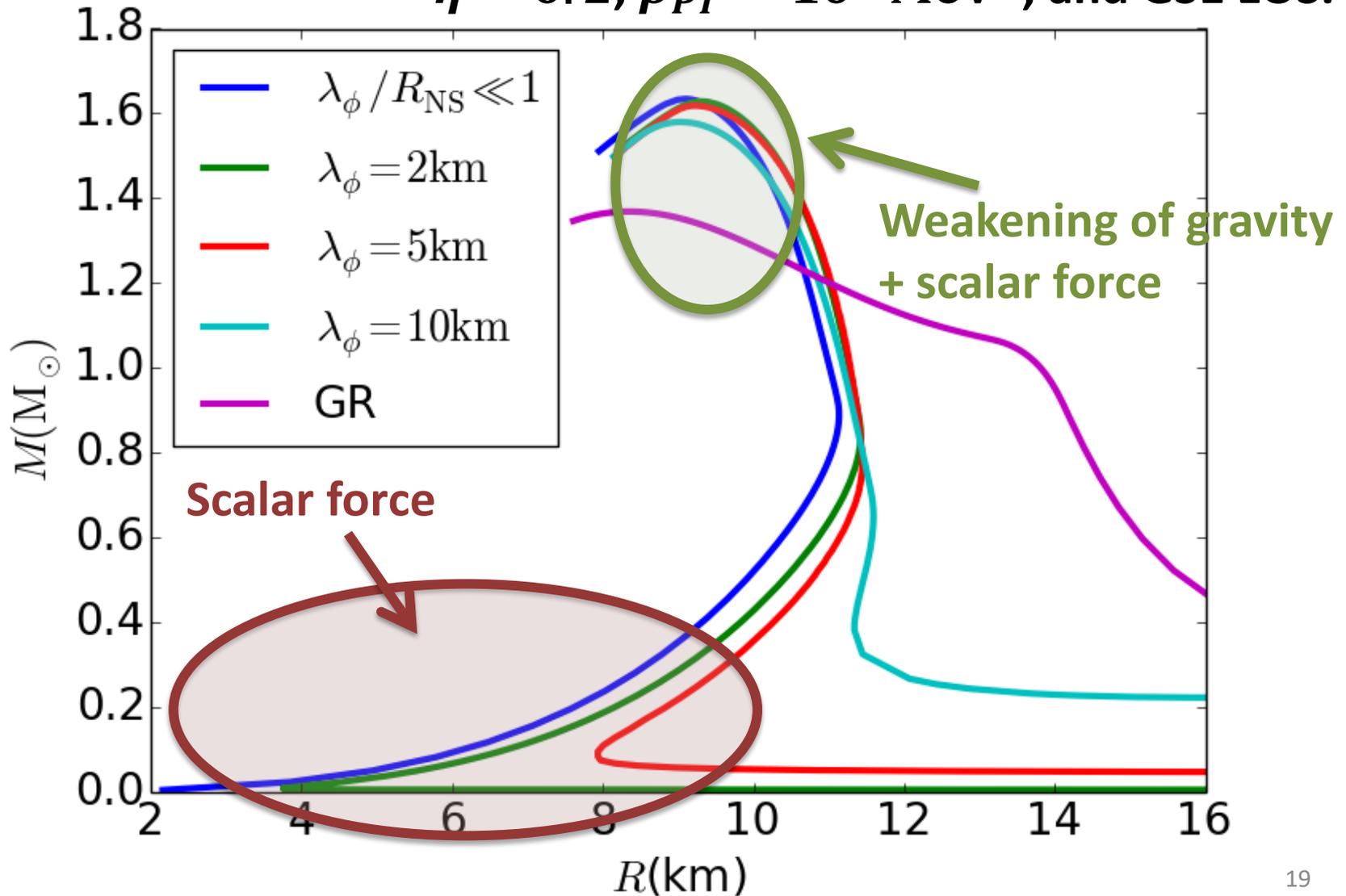
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The semi-analytical result approximates the numerical results for short Compton wavelength.

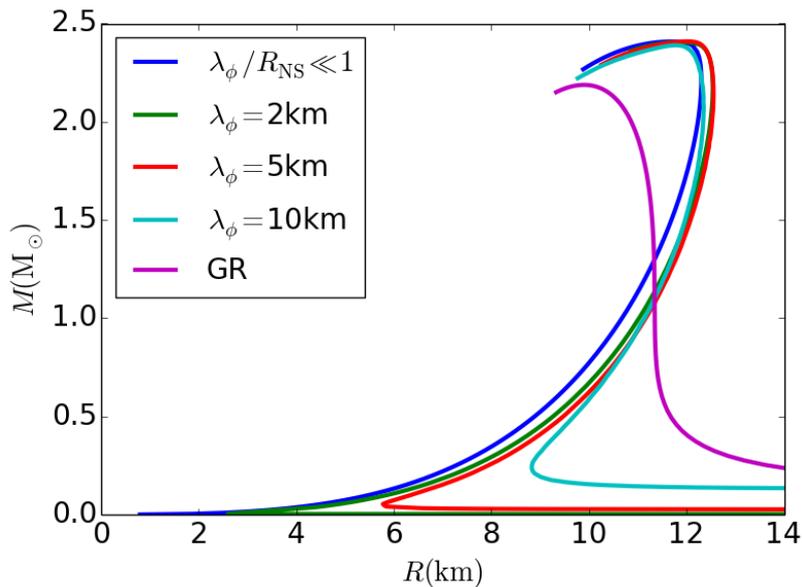
Mass-radius relation

$\eta = 0.2$, $\rho_{PT} = 10^8 \text{ MeV}^4$, and GS1 EOS.

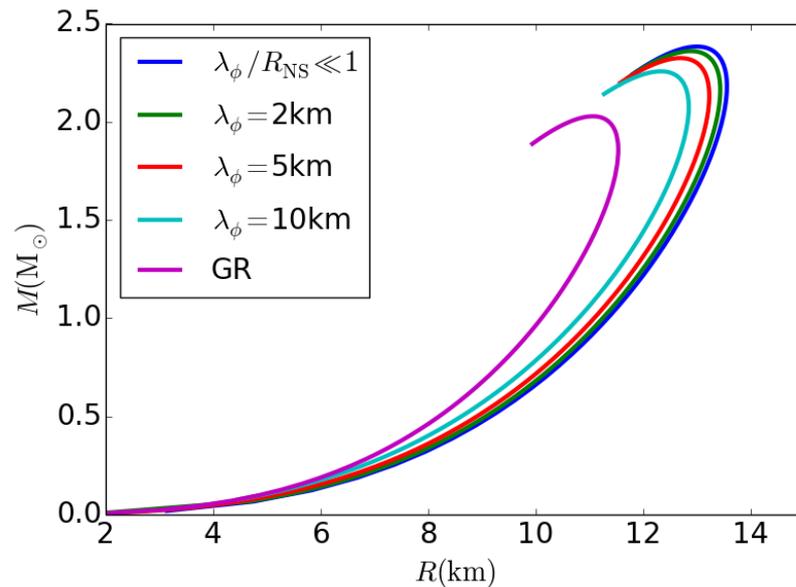


MR relation for other EOSs

The qualitative feature does not change for the other EOSs.



[a] AP4 EOS

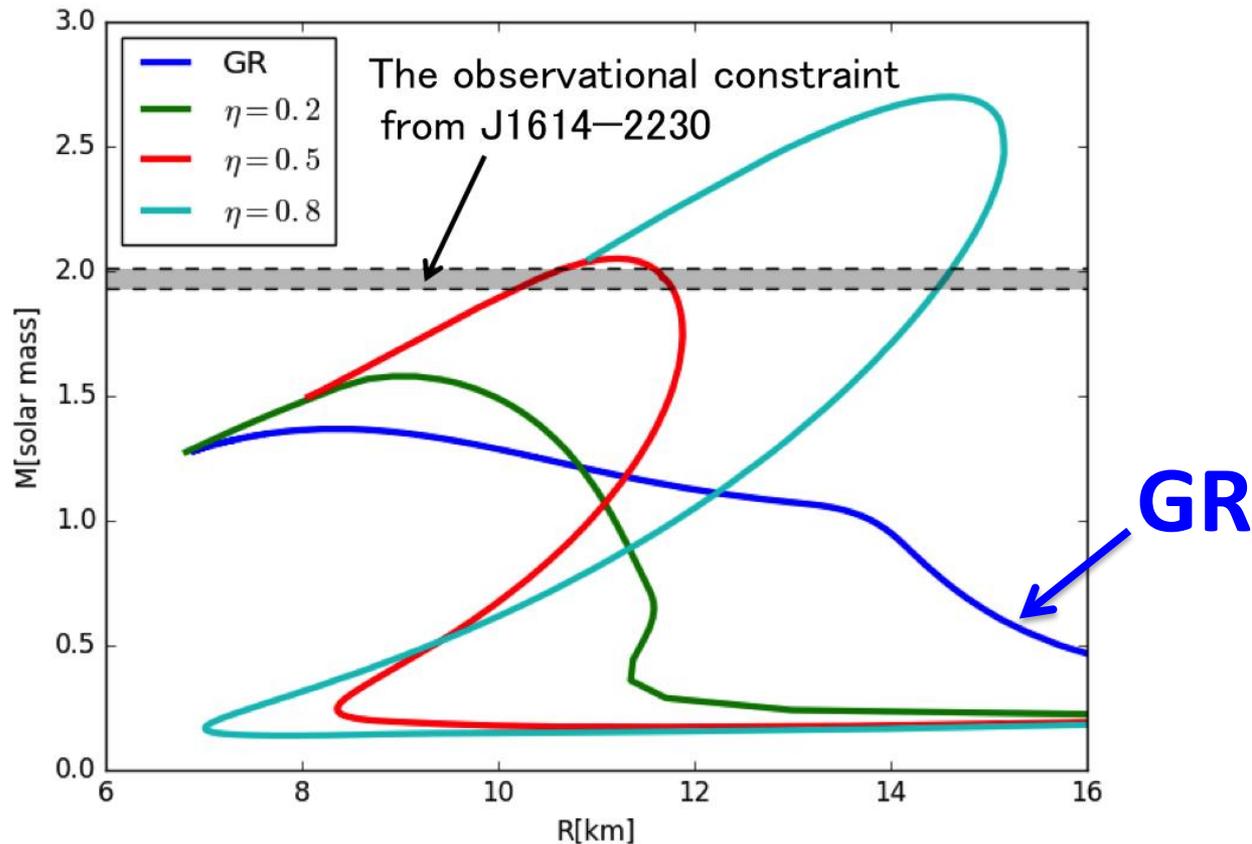


[b] MIT BAG model

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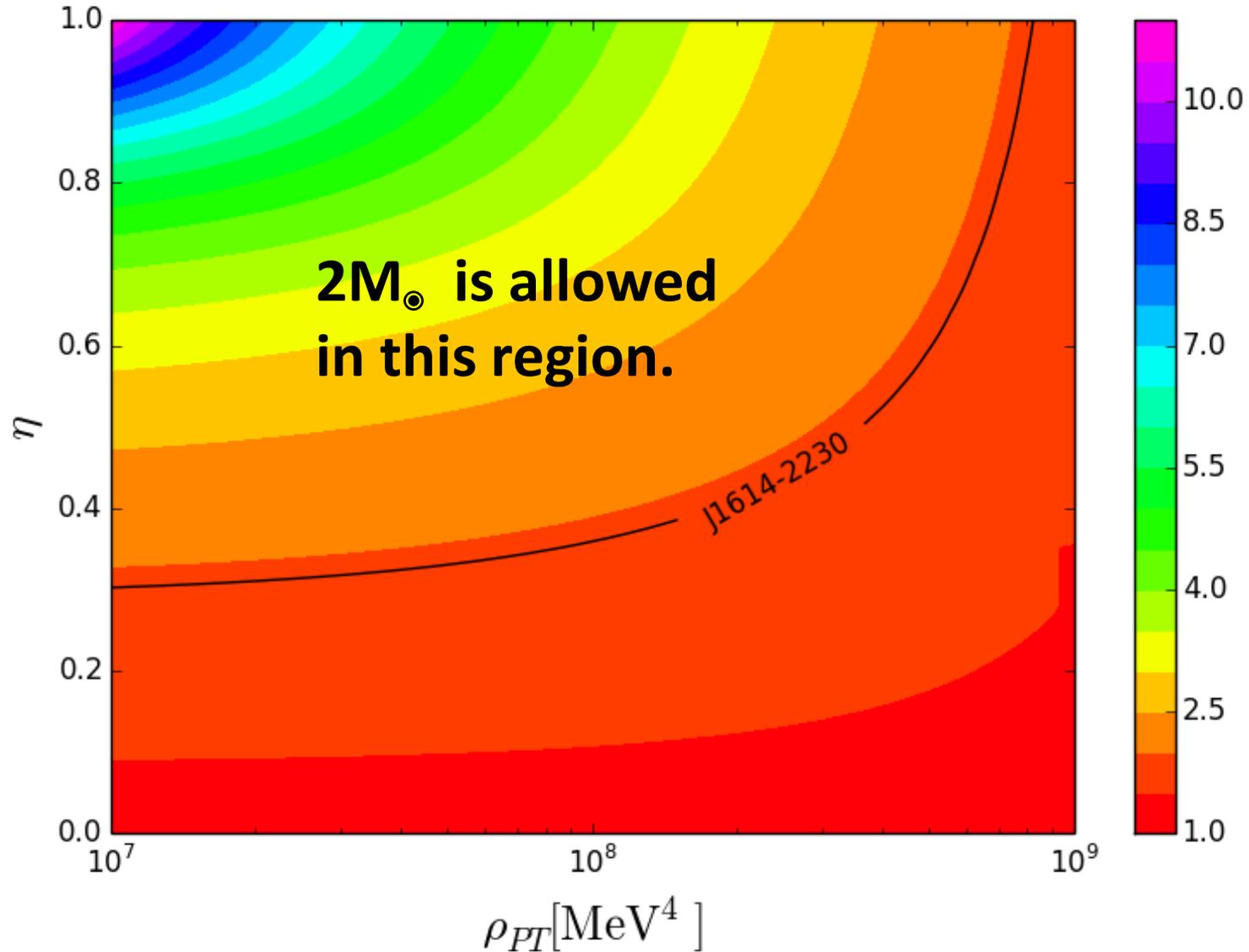
Existence of $2M_{\odot}$ NS

$2M_{\odot}$ is allowed!!

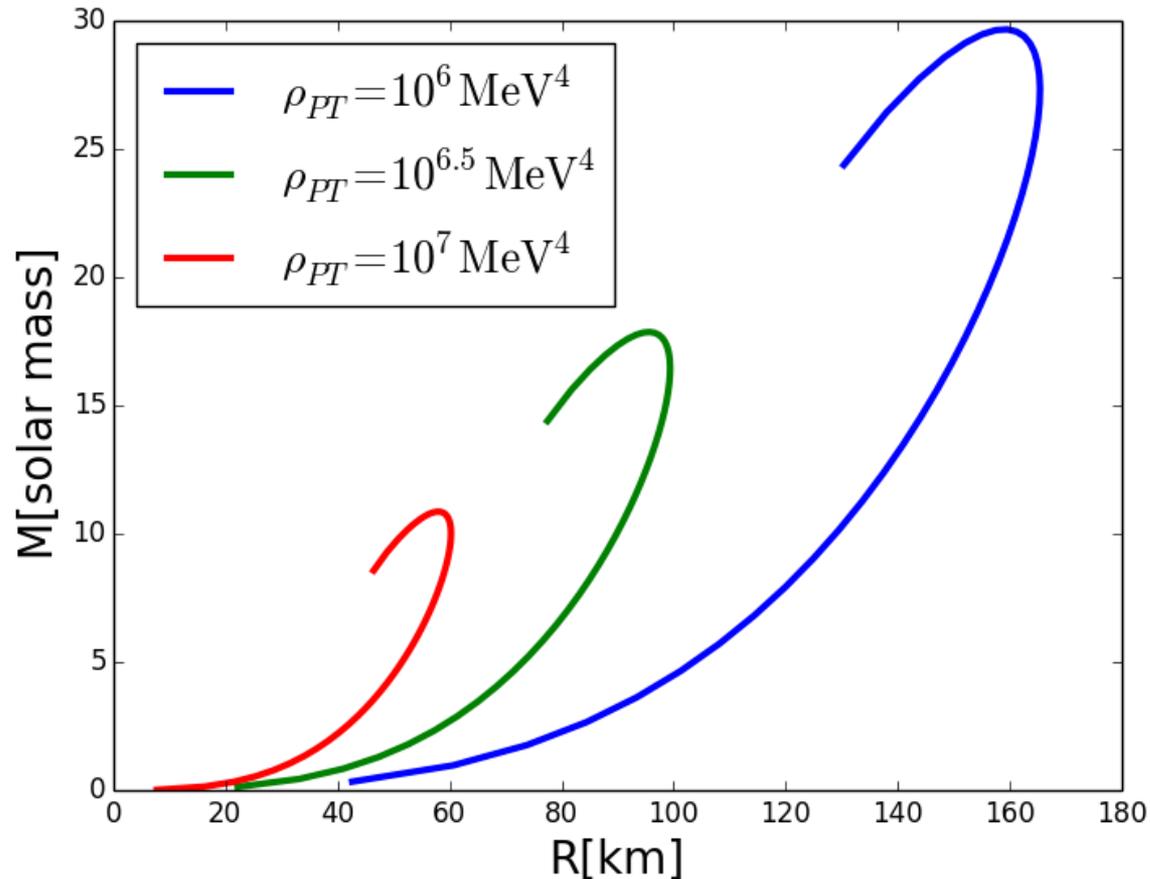


Mass-Radius for GS1 EOS, $\rho_{\text{PT}} = 10^8 \text{ MeV}^4$, $\lambda_{\phi} = 10 \text{ km}$ and various values of η .

Maximum mass ($m_\phi \rightarrow \infty$ limit)

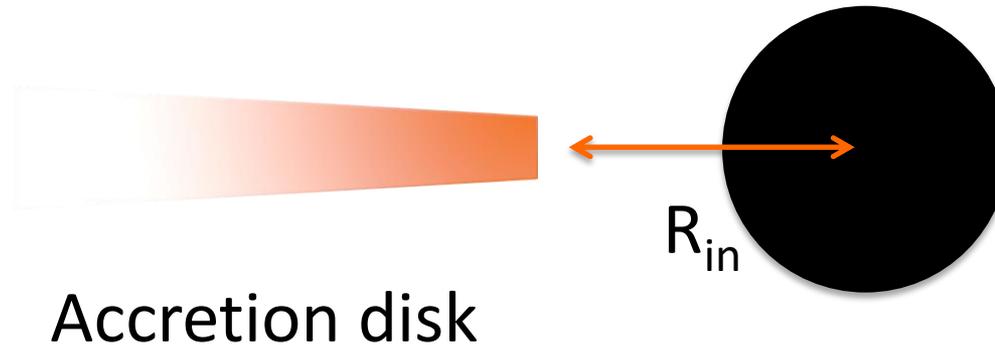


30M_⊙ neutron stars?



Mass-radius relation for GS1 EoS, $\eta = 1$, and $\lambda_\phi/R_{\text{NS}} \ll 1$.

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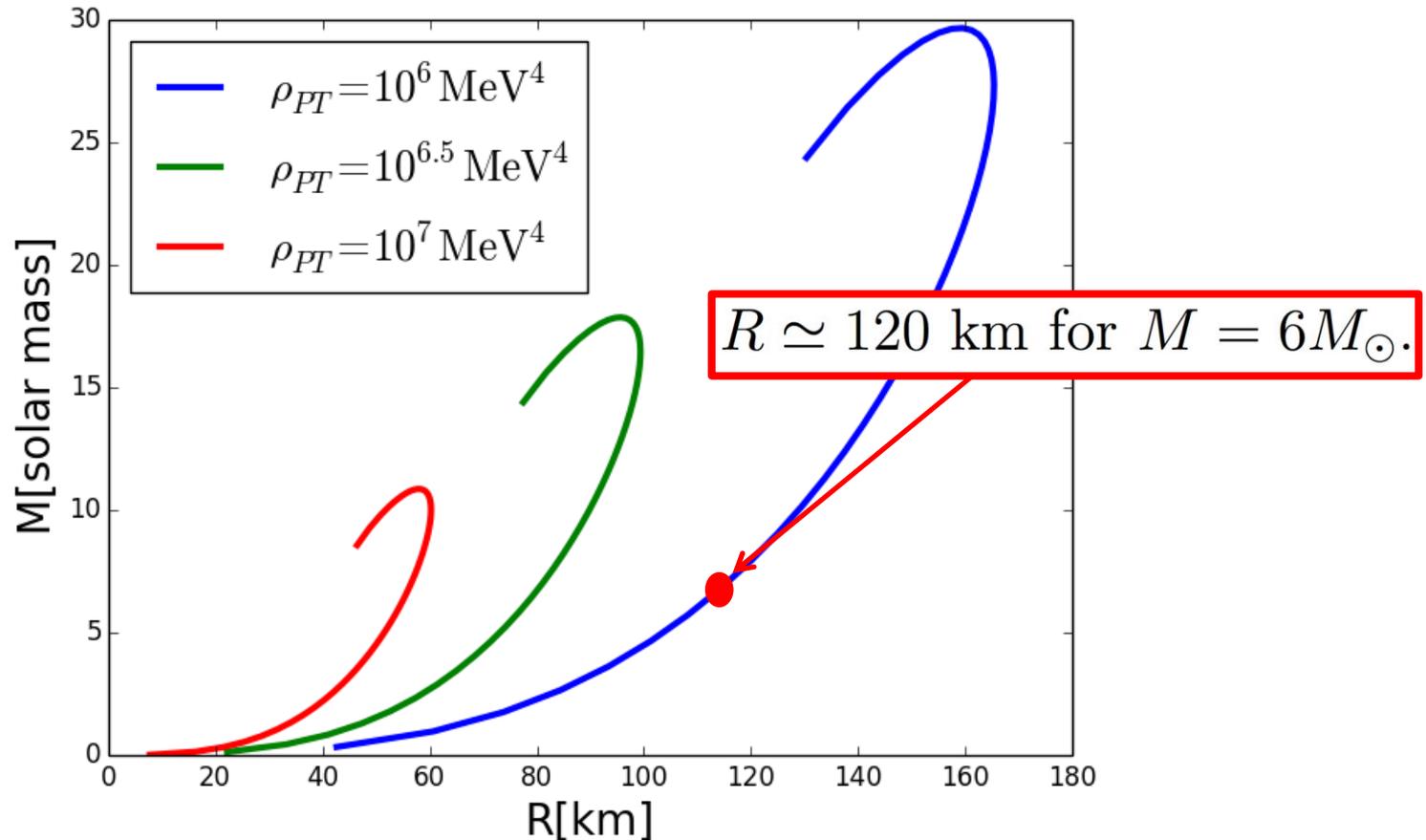


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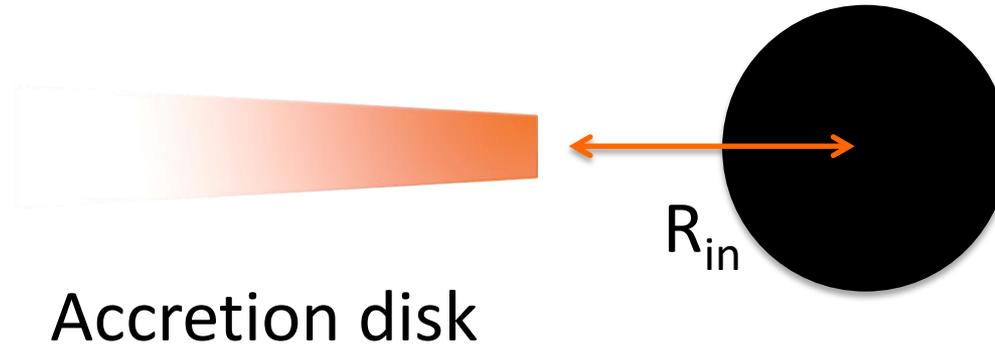
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30 M_{\odot} NS is excluded.

Conclusion

- The $2M_{\odot}$ neutron star is allowed in our model.
- Scalar force affects the internal structure significantly for massive scalar cases.

Future work

- Investigate stability
- How to test this scenario with astrophysical observations