Directed flow of  $\Lambda$  from heavy-ion collisions and hyperon puzzle of neutron stars

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# Hyperon Puzzle of Neutron Stars

- Observation of massive neutron stars rules out hyperonic EOS ?
  - Attractive  $U_{\Lambda}(\rho)$  causes hyperon mixing in NS at (2-4) $\rho_0$ , softens the EOS, and reduces  $M_{max} = (1.3-1.6) M_{\odot}$
- Proposed solutions
  - Three-body ANN repulsion  $\rightarrow$  repulsive U<sub>A</sub>( $\rho$ ) at high density
  - Transition to quark matter before Λ appears
  - General relativity → Modified gravity



# Repulsive $U_{\Lambda}(\rho)$ at high density in chiral EFT

- Chiral effective field theory (chiral EFT) may cause repulsive Λ potential at high densities *Gerstung, Kaiser, Weise (2001.10563), Kohno (1802.05388)*
- **Yet unknown parameters are tuned to support 2**  $M_{\odot}$  **neutron stars.** 
  - $\rightarrow$  Repulsion at high densities needs to be verified !
  - $\rightarrow$  E.g. Collective flows in heavy-ion collisions



# Semi-Classical Nuclear Transport Theories

- Wigner(-Weyl) transform of TDHF = Vlasov equation
  - Wigner transform of density matrix=Wigner fn. (phase space dist.)
  - Wigner transform of commutator ~ i  $\hbar \times$  Poisson bracket

$$i\hbar \frac{d\rho}{dt} = [h, \rho] \to \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla} f - \boldsymbol{\nabla} U \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla}_p f = 0$$
$$[f = \rho_W, [A, B]_W = i\hbar \{A_W, B_W\}_{PB} + \mathcal{O}(\hbar^2)]$$

• Test particle solution of the Vlasov equation  $\rightarrow$  Classical EOM

$$f(\boldsymbol{r}, \boldsymbol{p}) = \frac{(2\pi)^3}{N} \sum_{i=1, NA} \delta(\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}_i) \delta(\boldsymbol{p} - \boldsymbol{p}_i)$$
$$\rightarrow \frac{d\boldsymbol{r}_i}{dt} = \frac{\partial h}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}} \Big|_{\boldsymbol{p} = \boldsymbol{p}_i} = \frac{\boldsymbol{p}}{m} + \frac{\partial U}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}} \Big|_{\boldsymbol{p} = \boldsymbol{p}_i}, \ \frac{d\boldsymbol{p}_i}{dt} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial \boldsymbol{r}} \Big|_{\boldsymbol{r} = \boldsymbol{r}_i}$$

- Relativistic Quantum Molecular Dynamics
  - Transport model applicable to high energies Sorge, Stoecker, Greiner ('89); Maruyama et al. ('96)
  - Stronger potential effects are necessary → Vector potential Nara et al. ('20), Nara, AO ('21)
  - Stochastic collisions are also included



Transport models and then (High-Energy) Heavy-Ion Collisions are RELEVANT to Mean Field Dynamics.

Let us Examine the Effects of U<sub>^</sub> at High Densities via Collective Flow(s) in Heavy-Ion Collisions !







# Directed flow $(v_1)$

Directed flow (v<sub>1</sub> or <p<sub>x</sub>>) has been utilized to constrain EOS

E.g. Sahu, Cassing, Mosel, AO (nucl-th/9907002), Snellings+(nucl-ex/9908001)

- Proton v<sub>1</sub> slope problem STAR (1401.3043)
  - Non-monotonic beam E. dep. of v<sub>1</sub> slope
  - Sign change of  $v_1$  slope at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 10$  GeV
  - None of fluid and hybrid models explain the colliding energy dependence using a single EOS *Nara+(JAM, 1601.07692, 1611.08023, 1708.05617),*

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$$v_1 = \langle \cos \phi \rangle$$



# Past tries



(There was a mistake...)



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# An Explanation is found

Beam energy dependence of dv<sub>1</sub>/dy can be explained with JAM2 in the RQMDv mode. Nara+('16,'17,'18); Y. Nara, AO, arXIv:2109.07594

**Origin of Positive & Negative Flow Components** 

- Compression stage  $\rightarrow$  repulsive pot. at high  $\rho$  $\rightarrow$  positive flow (dv<sub>1</sub>/dy > 0)
- Expansion stage  $\rightarrow$  tilted matter formation  $\rightarrow$  negative flow (dv<sub>1</sub>/dy < 0)

(E.g. 3FD, Tonnev+('03)

**Balance of two contributions may cause** non-monotonic colliding ..... Time = 1,66 fm/c energy dep. of v<sub>1</sub> slope



18 GeV, 3-fluid *Toneev et al. ('03)* Nara, AO (PRC'('22), 2109.07594)



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36.2

27.1

18.1

9.

#### **Positive and Negative Contributions**



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# Can we access EOS by using flows ?

- **EOS from Flow is a Notorious problem!** 
  - Momentum-dependent potential can simulate stiff EOS, and then we cannot extract stiffness. (1980s ~)
  - Directed flow value depends on the details of the theoretical treatment.
- A New (?) Hope (Episode IV)
  - After fixing momentum-dependent pot. from pA scattering data and explaining v<sub>1</sub> data, EOS dependence of v<sub>2</sub> (elliptic flow) remains ! (Global analysis of multiple observables will help.)
- **How about**  $\Lambda$  ?





#### Nara, AO (PRC'('22), 2109.07594)



# Directed flow of A using $U_{\Lambda}$ from chiral EFT



# Why Directed flow $(v_1)$ of p and $\Lambda$

- **Directed flow of**  $\Lambda$ 
  - In the compression+tilted expansion mechanism, directed flow of Λ is expected to be smaller than p (Λs are produced during the compression stage).
  - Data show  $v_1(\Lambda) \sim v_1(p)$  STAR, PRL120 ('18),062301 (1708.07132)

 $\rightarrow$  Stronger repulsion for  $\Lambda$  at high densities ?



Let us examine  $\Lambda$  directed flow using  $U_{\Lambda}(\rho)$  from chiral EFT !



# $U_{\wedge}$ from Chiral EFT

Chiral EFT with 3BF and hyperons

Gerstung+(2001.10563)(GKW, decouplet saturation model), Kohno (1802.05388)

ρ-dep. potential using Fermi mom. expansion Tews+(1611.07133)

$$U_{\rm sk}(\rho) = a(\rho/\rho_0) + b(\rho/\rho_0)^{4/3} + c(\rho/\rho_0)^{5/3}$$

Momentum dep. fit to Kohno('18)



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# √s<sub>NN</sub>=4.5 GeV



Kohno+Kohno: p- and p-dep. from Kohno



## Momentum dependence of $U_{\Lambda}$

**Can we rely on U\_{\Lambda} up to 2 GeV/c ?** 

The cutoff is 550 MeV/c ~ 2.75 fm<sup>-1</sup> in Kohno ('18)

Quark model YN interaction gives weaker p-dep.

Chiral EFT results at k < 1 fm<sup>-1</sup> are fitted and used (Kohno low-k)



# $\int s_{NN} = 4.5 \text{ GeV}$ (with p-dep. of Kohno low-k)



## Summary

- The directed flow (v<sub>1</sub>) of Λ from HIC is studied by using the Λ potential from chiral EFT with 3-body potential, which can support 2 solar mass neutron stars.
  - U<sub>A</sub> from chiral EFT is not inconsistent with the directed flow data from heavy-ion collisions.
    [Similar results for <px> at √sNN=3.0 GeV are obtained by D.C. Zhang+ (2107.00277)]
  - Momentum dependence may be weaker than the explicit results. (We should not rely on results at k > Λ/2)
  - v<sub>1</sub>(Λ) is not very sensitive to the density dep. of U<sub>Λ</sub>.
    (Λ produced from N in the compression stage succeeds the v<sub>1</sub> of N)
  - The forward and backward  $v_1$  values seem to be sensitive to the  $\Lambda$  potential at high densities and/or high momentum.
- **How can we pin down U\_{\Lambda} at high densities ?** 
  - A-nucleus scattering (Emulsion or Femtoscopy)  $\rightarrow$  mom. dep.
  - Elliptic flow (v<sub>2</sub>) and other observables
  - Hypernuclear spectroscopy

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## Thank you for your attention !



#### Directed flow of $\Lambda$ at $\int s_{NN} = (4.5 - 19.6) GeV$





## Time dependence of v1



**Courtesy of Y. Nara** 



#### Lambda position: 11.5GeV 20events



Red: nucleons Blue: Lambda + Sigma0

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#### V2 from Au + Au @ 3.0GeV

#### Collision order=collision time = (t1+t2)/2, L=0.5 fm<sup>2</sup>



$$CO=CT=min(t1,t2), L=1.0 \text{ fm}^2$$



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