## Toward QCD-based description of dense baryonic matter

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### Neutron star structure



Pressure (nuclear force = strong interaction)

Hydrostatic equilibrium (pressure = gravitation)  $\frac{dp(r)}{dr} = -G \frac{m(r)\varepsilon(r)}{r^2} \times \frac{(1+\frac{p}{\varepsilon})(1+\frac{4\pi r^3 p}{m})(1-\frac{2Gm}{r})^{-1}}{\text{General relativistic correction}} \xrightarrow{\text{Oppenheimer, Volkoff (1939)}}{\leftarrow \text{TOV equation}}$   $m(r) = \int_0^r dr 4\pi r^2 \varepsilon(r)$ Unknown variables:  $p(r), m(r) \text{ and } \varepsilon(r) \xrightarrow{\text{One condition}}{\text{missing!}} \xrightarrow{\text{P}(r)} p = p(\varepsilon)$ 

### Neutron star structure

#### **TOV equation:**

Tolman (1939) Oppenheimer,Volkoff (1939)

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$$m(r) = \int_0^r dr 4\pi r^2 \varepsilon(r)$$

**Equation of State (EoS)**:  $p = p(\varepsilon)$ 

#### **Initial value problem**

Initial:free parameterFinal:r = 0free parameterr = RM-R relation $\varepsilon(r = 0) = \varepsilon_c$  $\varepsilon(r = R) = 0$  $\varepsilon(r = R) = 0$  $p(r = 0) = p(\varepsilon_c) = p_c$ p(r = R) = 0m(r = R) = M

### Equation of state (EoS)

### **EoS:** pressure function $p(n_{\rm B})$ , $p(\varepsilon)$ , or $p(\mu_{\rm B})$

( $n_{\rm B}$ : baryon density,  $\varepsilon$ : energy density,  $\mu_{\rm B}$ : chemical potential)



#### "Spaghetti diagram", a little messy... 4

### A QCD physicist's view on the NS EoS

#### **Constraints from QCD point of view:**



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### Analogy with high temperature case



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### Hard Thermal Loops (HTL)

- The problem of the gauge-dependent **gluon damping rate** at finite temperature (two scales: g & T) :

$$\gamma_g = a \frac{g^2 T}{8\pi}$$

Heinz,Kajantie,Toimela,... (1987)

a = 1 (in Coulomb gauge), a = -5 (in covariant gauge)

#### - Hard thermal loop (HTL) resummation:

resum certain kinds of diagrams called HTLs, and use effective resummed propagator

Braaten, Pisarski (1990)

 $a \simeq 6.635$  (both in Coulomb and covariant gauge)

### **Need of resummation**

Prototypical example: an anharmonic oscillator



Review by Su(2012)<sup>13</sup>

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Variational perturbation theory (VPT):  $\omega^{2} \rightarrow \Omega^{2} + (\omega^{2} - \Omega^{2})$   $V(x) = \frac{\omega^{2}}{2}x^{2} + \frac{g}{4}x^{4} \rightarrow V(x) = \frac{\Omega^{2}}{2}x^{2} + \frac{g}{4}(rx^{2} + x^{4})$   $(r := 2(\omega^{2} - \Omega^{2})/g)$ Feynman, Kleinert,... (1986)

minimize ground state energy w.r.t.  $\Omega$ :



### QCD thermodynamics at high ${\cal T}$

- The same problem of poor convergence resides in the QCD EoS at high T:



Review by Su(2012)



- Hot QCD EoS with improved convergence confronting

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### Hard Dense Loops (HDLs)

#### - Hard dense loops (HDLs):

T=0 and  $\mu>0$  counterpart of the HTLs

cf. thermal quark mass:

$$m_q^2 = \frac{g^2}{6} \left( \frac{T^2 + \frac{\mu^2}{\pi^2}}{\pi^2} \right)$$

- Parallelism between  $T \leftrightarrow \mu$  has been studied Manuel (1996)

#### - EoS calculations at T = 0:

- Baier, Redlich: hep-ph/9908372
- Andersen, Strickland: hep-ph/0206196

### What we calculate here

#### **Quark contribution to the pressure** *p*:

#### $p(\mu) = \operatorname{Tr} \log S^{-1}$ HDL resummed full propagator

$$= \sum_{\{K\}} \ln \det \left[ \not{k} - M_f - \Sigma(i\tilde{\omega}_n + \mu_f, k) \right]$$
  
Strange quark mass is included

Self-energy  $\Sigma$  in HDL approximation:

$$\Sigma \equiv \frac{m_q^2}{k} \gamma^0 Q_0 \left(\frac{k_0}{k}\right) + \frac{m_q^2}{k} \gamma \cdot \hat{k} \left[1 - \frac{k_0}{k} Q_0 \left(\frac{k_0}{k}\right)\right] \qquad \text{(Legendre function:} \\ Q_0(x) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{x+1}{x-1} \text{)}$$

#### Integration contour deformation:

![](_page_17_Figure_7.jpeg)

tedious calculation...

### Diagrammatic argument

![](_page_18_Figure_1.jpeg)

Taken from A. Kurkela's slide 19

### In terms of the 2PI language

![](_page_19_Figure_1.jpeg)

- **2PI formalism** employs propagator with the self-energy insertion  $\rightarrow$  quasi-particle approximation
- May not be a systematic expansion in the coupling  $\alpha_s$

## $\bar{\Lambda}$ (renormalization scale) dependence

- Use perturbative expression for screening mass  $m_q$  in  $\Sigma$ :

$$m_q^2 = \frac{4\alpha_s(\bar{\Lambda})}{3\pi} \mu^2 \qquad (\Sigma \equiv \frac{m_q^2}{k} \gamma^0 Q_0\left(\frac{k_0}{k}\right) + \frac{m_q^2}{k} \gamma \cdot \hat{k} \left[1 - \frac{k_0}{k} Q_0\left(\frac{k_0}{k}\right)\right])$$

- Renormalization scale  $\overline{\Lambda}$  dependence enters the theory through the running coupling  $\alpha_s(\overline{\Lambda})$ :
- $\bar{\Lambda}$ : only undetermined const. set to the typical scale of system:  $\bar{\Lambda} = 2\mu$

"uncertainty" of  $\bar{\Lambda}$  is evaluated as:

 $\bar{\Lambda} \in [\mu, 4\mu]$ 

$$\alpha_{s}(\bar{\Lambda}) = \frac{4\pi}{\beta_{0}\log(\bar{\Lambda}^{2}/\Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}}^{2})} \times \left[1 - \frac{2\beta_{1}}{\beta_{0}^{2}}\frac{\log^{2}(\bar{\Lambda}^{2}/\Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}}^{2})}{\log(\bar{\Lambda}^{2}/\Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}}^{2})}\right]$$

$$(\Lambda_{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}} = 378 \,\mathrm{MeV})$$

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### **Result from the HDL resummed QCD**

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### Result from the HDL resumed QCD Fujimoto, Fukushima: 2011.10891 (2020)

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### Heuristic argument

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# Pressure does not differ at constant $\mu$

Density is screened in HDL resummation at constant  $\mu$ 

→ in HDL resummation, the same value of p realizes at lower  $n_{\rm B}$ especially for  $\bar{\Lambda} = \mu$ 

#### Result from the HDL resumed QCD Fujimoto, Fukushima: 2011.10891 (2020)

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### Speed of sound

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- Speed of sound:  $c_s^2 = \partial p / \partial \epsilon$ ; asymptotic freedom:  $c_s^2 \rightarrow 1/3$  ("conformal limit")

![](_page_26_Figure_3.jpeg)

### Speed of sound

- Tews,Carlson,Gandolfi,Reddy (2018) - The commonly shown graph for speed of sound
- Neutron stars Causality:  $c_S^2 < 1$ this scenario may also be possible! (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} C^2 \end{bmatrix}$ 2/3 $\vec{\mathcal{S}}_{\mathcal{O}}$ Conforma 1/3Nuclea Neutron matter (a)Perturbative QCD **Perturbative** theory 3 5 50100 1502 4  $n [n_0]$

If  $c_s^2 > 1/3$  at high density, then there must be a peak Many discussions, e.g., Hippert, Fraga, Noronha (2021)

Bedaque, Steiner (2015)

### Smooth matching to the nuclear EoS?

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APR conventional nuclear EoS Akmal,Pandharipande,Ravenhall (1998) 29

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### **Observational constraint**

#### Annala, Gorda, Kurkela, Nattila, Vuorinen (2019)

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### Discussion: conventional pQCD vs HDLpt

mismatch already at the order of 
$$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$$
:  

$$\frac{p_{\text{HDLpt}}}{p_{\text{ideal}}} \simeq 1 - 2N_c \frac{m_q^2}{\mu^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_q^4}{\mu^4}\right) = 1 - 4\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$$

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Add 
$$p_{\rm corr} = 2 \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} p_{\rm ideal}$$
 to  $p_{\rm HDLpt}$  to remedy the  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$  discrepancy

-  $c_s^2 < 1/3$  in the pQCD calculation is attributed to negative β-function at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ , so we care about  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$  discrepancy

# Resolving the $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$ discrepancy Fujimoto, Fukushima: 2011.10891 (2020)

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### **Discussion: strangeness content**

#### - Fraction of the strange quarks:

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### Summary and outlook

- Resumming hard dense loops: systematic reorganization of perturbation theory, convergence improved
- The result turned out to extend the pQCD applicability down to the realistic density in neutron stars
- Several issues to be explored:
  - \* Deeper reason why uncertainty is smaller?
  - \* Evaluating higher order 2PI skeleton diagrams?
  - \* Multi-pronged *ab initio* approach to the EoS: QCD + ChEFT + NS observation + (QHC?) + ...