

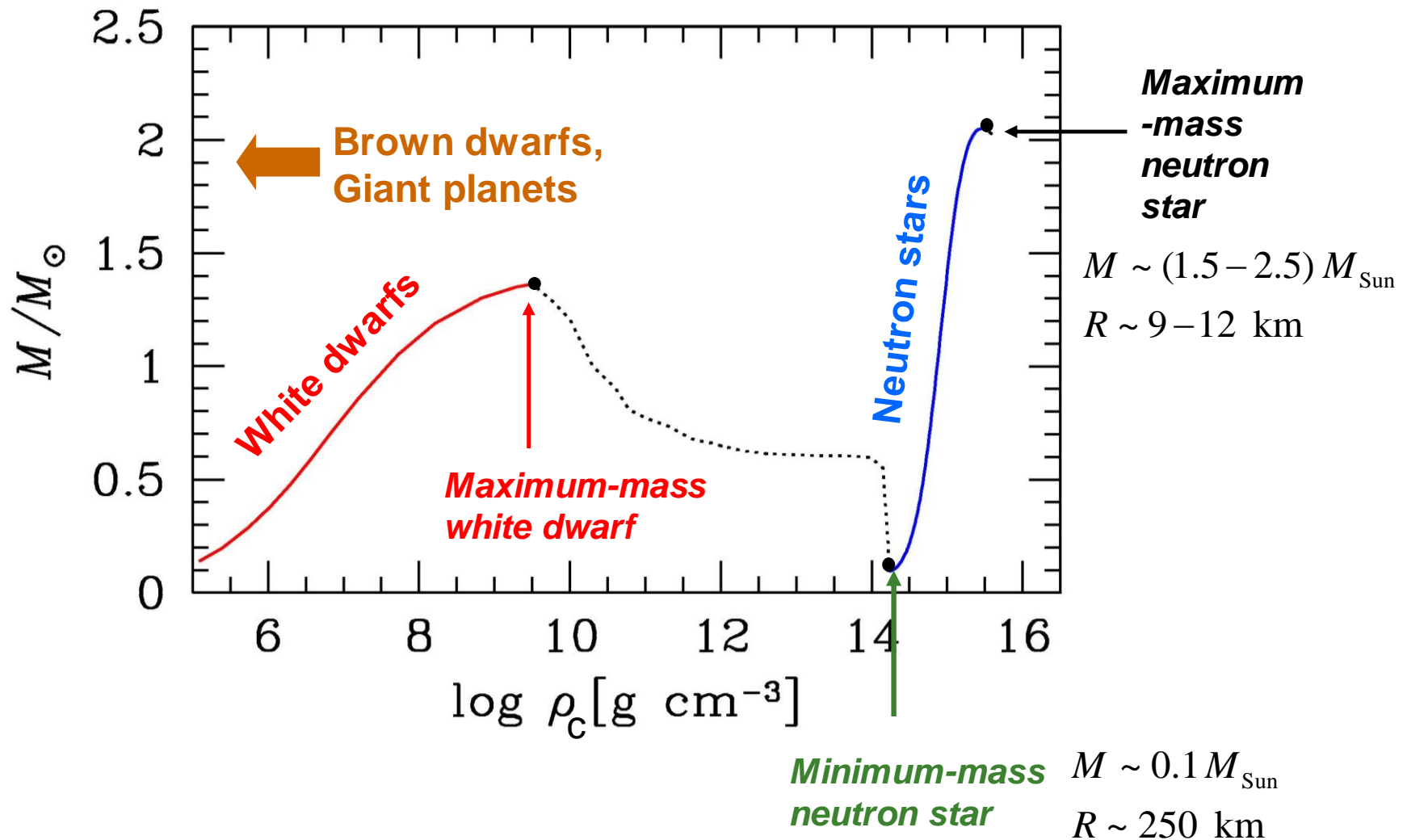
Neutron Star masses and radii

NS Masses

- Stellar masses are directly measured only in binary systems
- Accurate NS mass determination for PSRs in relativistic systems by measuring PK corrections
- Gravitational redshift may provide M/R in NSs by detecting a *known* spectral line,

$$E_{\infty} = E(1-2GM/Rc^2)^{1/2}$$

Neutron stars and white dwarfs



Remember about the difference between baryonic and gravitational masses in the case of neutron stars!

Minimal mass

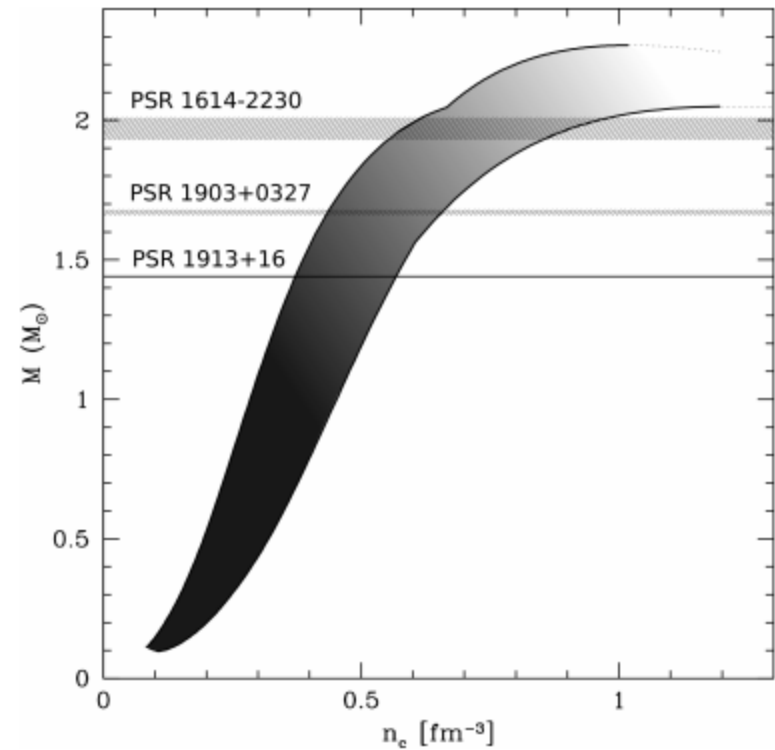
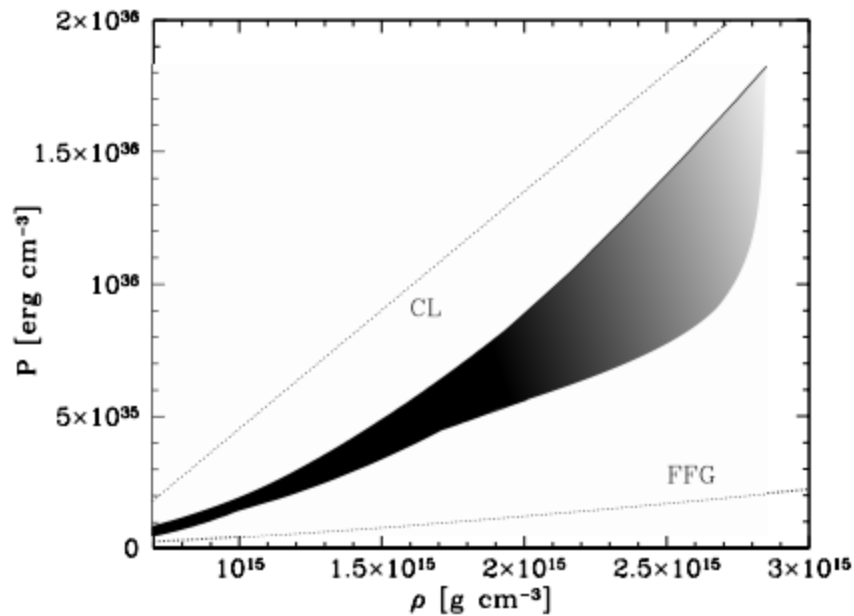
In reality, minimal mass is determined by properties of protoNSs. Being hot, lepton rich they have much higher limit: about 0.7 solar mass.

Stellar evolution does not produce NSs with baryonic mass less than about 1.1-1.2 solar mass.

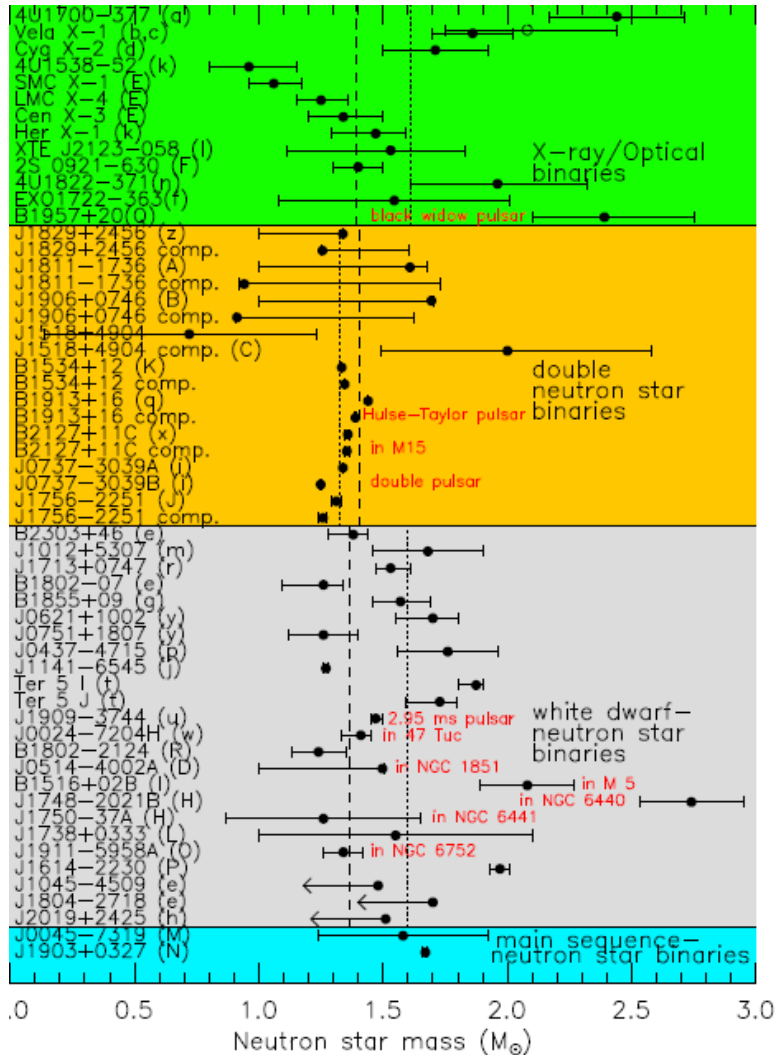
Fragmentation of a core due to rapid rotation potentially can lead to smaller masses, but not as small as the limit for cold NSs.

Maximum mass

Detailed discussion about the maximum mass is given in 1307.3995



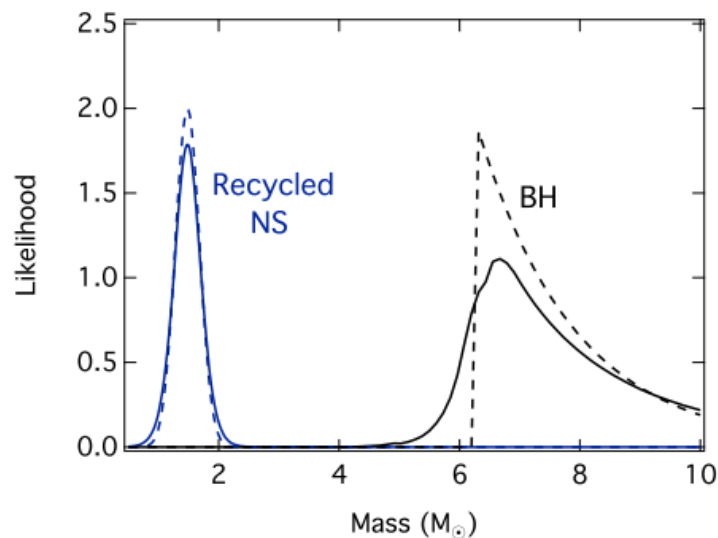
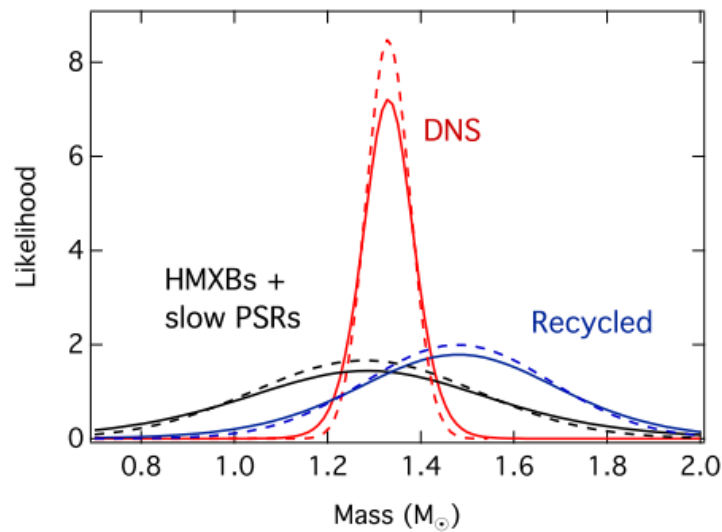
Neutron star masses



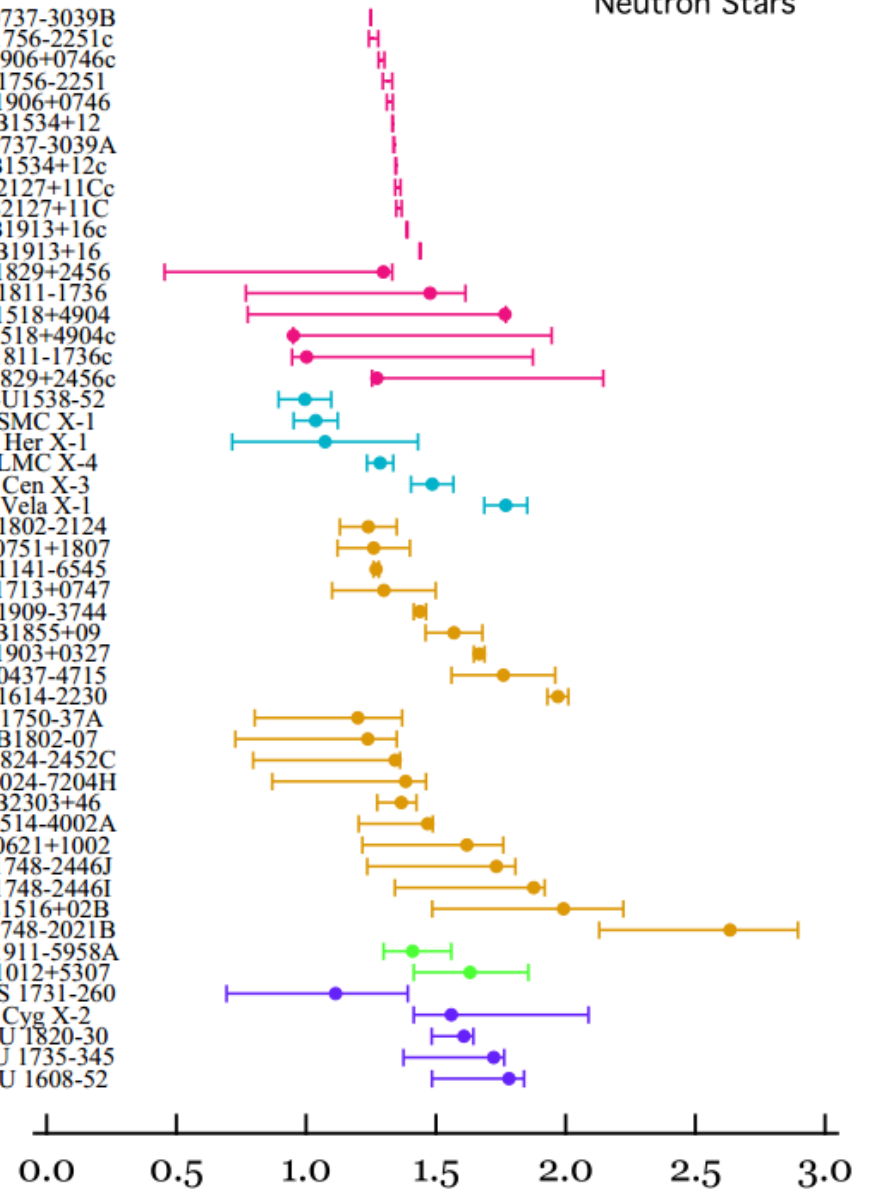
Object	Mass (M_{\odot})	Reference	Object	Mass (M_{\odot})	Reference
<i>X-Ray/Optical Binaries (mean = $1.609 M_{\odot}$, weighted mean = $1.393 M_{\odot}$)</i>					
4U1700-377	$2.44^{+0.27}_{-0.27}$	a (10)	Vela X-1	$1.86^{+0.16}_{-0.16}$	b, c (11) (12)
Cyg X-2	$1.71^{+0.21}_{-0.21}$	d (13)	4U1538-52	$0.96^{+0.16}_{-0.16}$	k (14)
SMC X-1	$1.06^{+0.11}_{-0.11}$	E (15)	LMC X-4	$1.25^{+0.11}_{-0.11}$	E (15)
Cen X-3	$1.34^{+0.18}_{-0.18}$	E (15)	Her X-1	$1.47^{+0.12}_{-0.12}$	k (14)
XTE J2123-058	$1.53^{+0.30}_{-0.42}$	l (16) (17)	2S 0921-630	$1.4^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	F (18)
4U 1822-371	$1.96^{+0.36}_{-0.32}$	n (19)	EXO 1722-363	$1.545^{+0.465}_{-0.465}$	f (47)
B1957+20	$2.39^{+0.35}_{-0.29}$	Q (49)			
<i>Neutron Star - Neutron Star Binaries (mean = $1.325 M_{\odot}$, weighted mean = $1.403 M_{\odot}$)</i>					
J1829+2456	$1.338^{+0.002}_{-0.002}$	z (20)	J1829+2456 (c)	$1.256^{+0.346}_{-0.003}$	z (20)
J1811-1736	$1.608^{+0.066}_{-0.066}$	A (21)	J1811-1736 (c)	$0.941^{+0.787}_{-0.021}$	A (21)
J1906+07	$1.694^{+0.012}_{-0.012}$	B (22)	J1906+07 (c)	$0.912^{+0.710}_{-0.004}$	B (22)
J1518+4904	$0.72^{+0.51}_{-0.58}$	C (23)	J1518+4904 (c)	$2.00^{+0.58}_{-0.51}$	C (23)
1534+12	$1.3332^{+0.0010}_{-0.0010}$	K (24)	1534+12 (c)	$1.3452^{+0.0010}_{-0.0010}$	K (24)
1913+16	$1.4398^{+0.0002}_{-0.0002}$	q (25)	1913+16 (c)	$1.3886^{+0.0002}_{-0.0002}$	q (25)
2127+11C	$1.358^{+0.010}_{-0.010}$	x (26)	2127+11C (c)	$1.354^{+0.010}_{-0.010}$	x (26)
J0737-3039A	$1.3381^{+0.0007}_{-0.0007}$	i (27)	J0737-3039B	$1.2489^{+0.0007}_{-0.0007}$	i (27)
J1756-2251	$1.312^{+0.017}_{-0.017}$	J (28)	J1756-2251 (c)	$1.258^{+0.017}_{-0.017}$	J (28)
<i>Neutron Star - White Dwarf Binaries (mean = $1.599 M_{\odot}$, weighted mean = $1.362 M_{\odot}$)</i>					
B2303+46	$1.38^{+0.06}_{-0.10}$	e (29)	J1012+5307	$1.68^{+0.22}_{-0.22}$	m (30)
J1713+0747	$1.53^{+0.08}_{-0.08}$	r (31) (51)	B1802-07	$1.26^{+0.08}_{-0.08}$	e (29)
B1855+09	$1.57^{+0.14}_{-0.11}$	g (32) (51)	J0621+1002	$1.70^{+0.10}_{-0.17}$	y (33)
J0751+1807	$1.26^{+0.14}_{-0.14}$	y (33)	J0437-4715	$1.76^{+0.20}_{-0.20}$	p (34)
J1141-6545	$1.27^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	j (35)	Ter 5 I	$1.874^{+0.32}_{-0.08}$	t (36)
Ter 5 J	$1.728^{+0.066}_{-0.136}$	t (36)	J1909-3744	$1.47^{+0.08}_{-0.02}$	u (37)
J0024-7204H	$1.41^{+0.04}_{-0.08}$	w (38)	B1802-2124	$1.24^{+0.11}_{-0.11}$	R (50)
J0514-4002A	$1.497^{+0.008}_{-0.497}$	D (39)	B1516+02B	$2.08^{+0.19}_{-0.19}$	l (40)
J1748-2021B	$2.74^{+0.21}_{-0.21}$	H (41)	J1750-37A	$1.26^{+0.39}_{-0.39}$	H (41)
J1738+0333	$1.55^{+0.55}_{-0.55}$	L (42)	J1911-5958A	$1.34^{+0.08}_{-0.08}$	O (43)
J1614-2230	$1.97^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$	P (48)	J1045-4509	< 1.48	e (29)
J1804-2718	< 1.70	e (29)	J2019+2425	< 1.51	h (44)
<i>Neutron Star - Main Sequence Binaries</i>					
J0045-7319	$1.58^{+0.34}_{-0.34}$	M (45)	J1903+0327	$1.67^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	N (46)

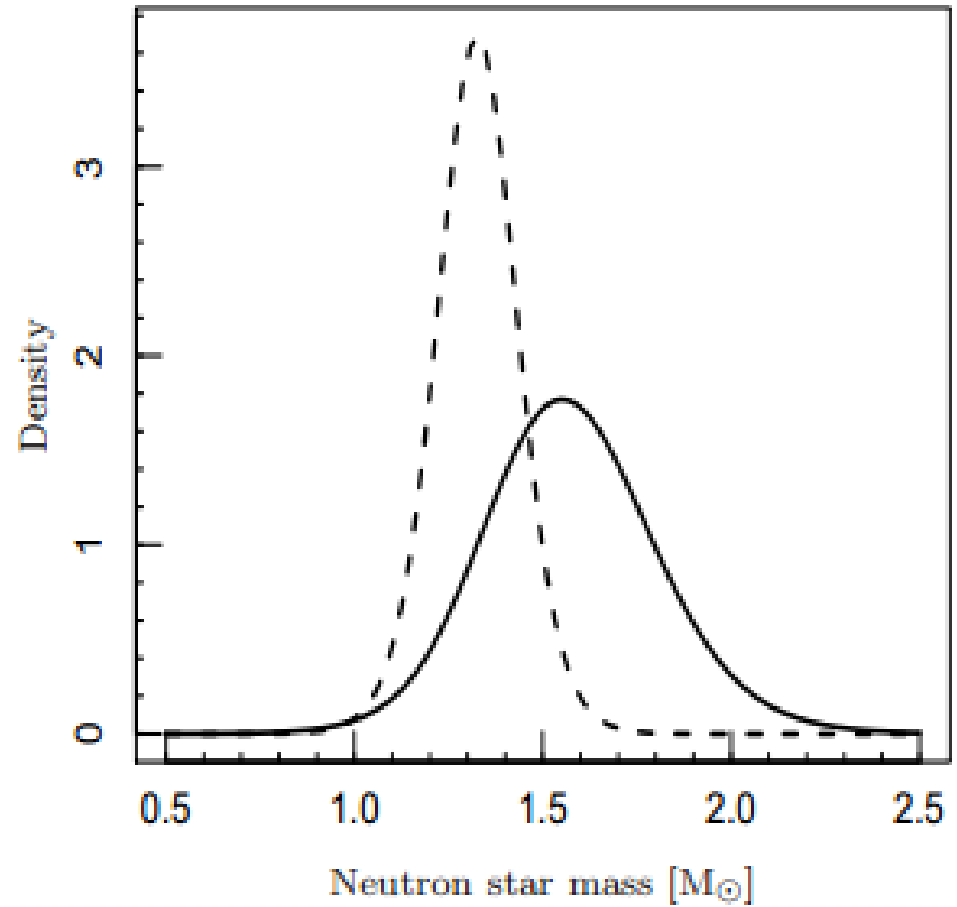
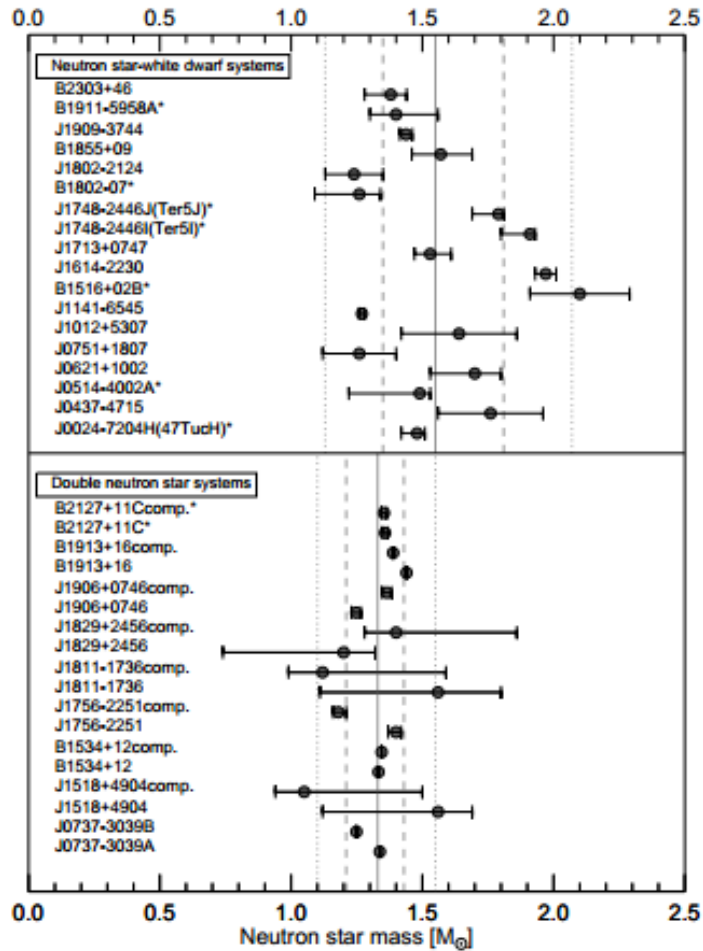
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Neutron Stars



J0737-3039B
J1756-2251c
J1906+0746c
J1756-2251
J1906+0746
B1534+12
J0737-3039A
B1534+12c
B2127+11Cc
B2127+11C
B1913+16c
B1913+16
J1829+2456
J1811-1736
J1518+4904
J1518+4904c
J1811-1736c
J1829+2456c
4U1538-52
SMC X-1
Her X-1
LMC X-4
Cen X-3
Vela X-1
J1802-2124
J0751+1807
J1141-6545
J1713+0747
J1909-3744
B1855+09
J1903+0327
J0437-4715
J1614-2230
J1750-37A
B1802-07
J1824-2452C
J0024-7204H
B2303+46
J0514-4002A
J0621+1002
J1748-2446J
J1748-2446I
B1516+02B
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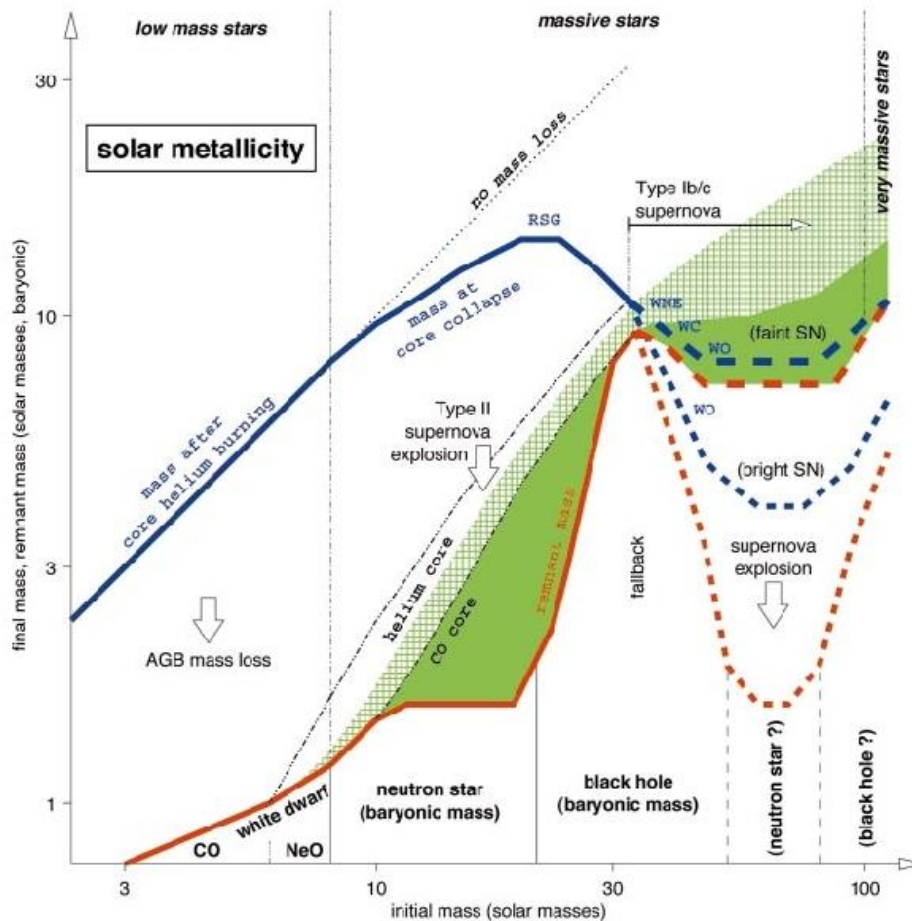




Compact objects and progenitors.

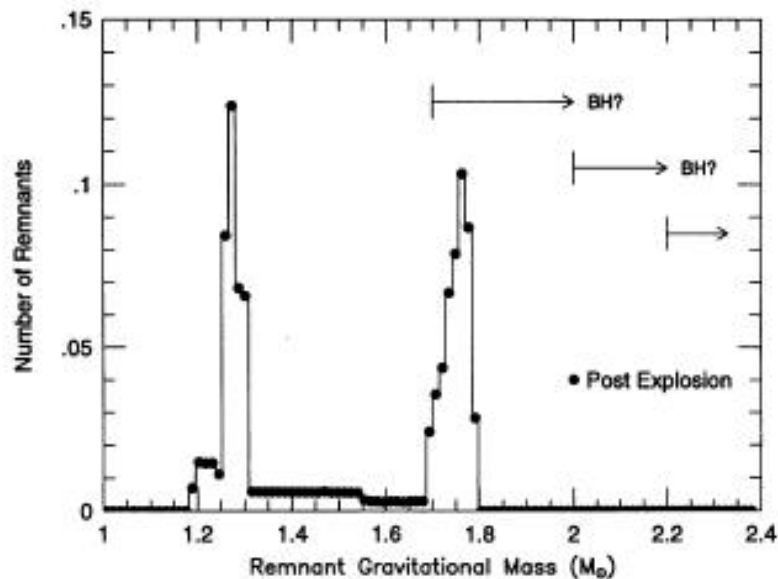
Solar metallicity.

There can be a range of progenitor masses in which NSs are formed, however, for smaller and larger progenitors masses BHs appear.

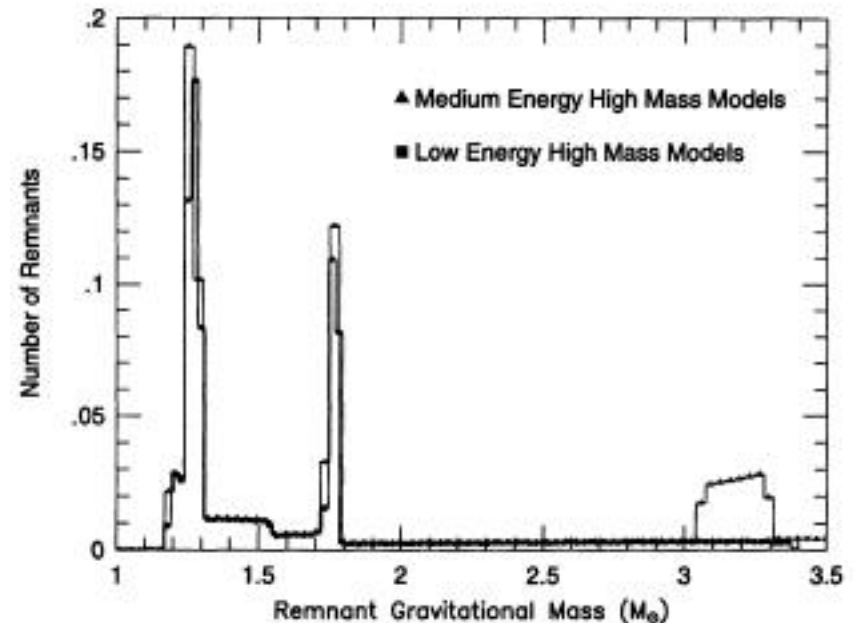


(Woosley et al. 2002)

Mass spectrum of compact objects

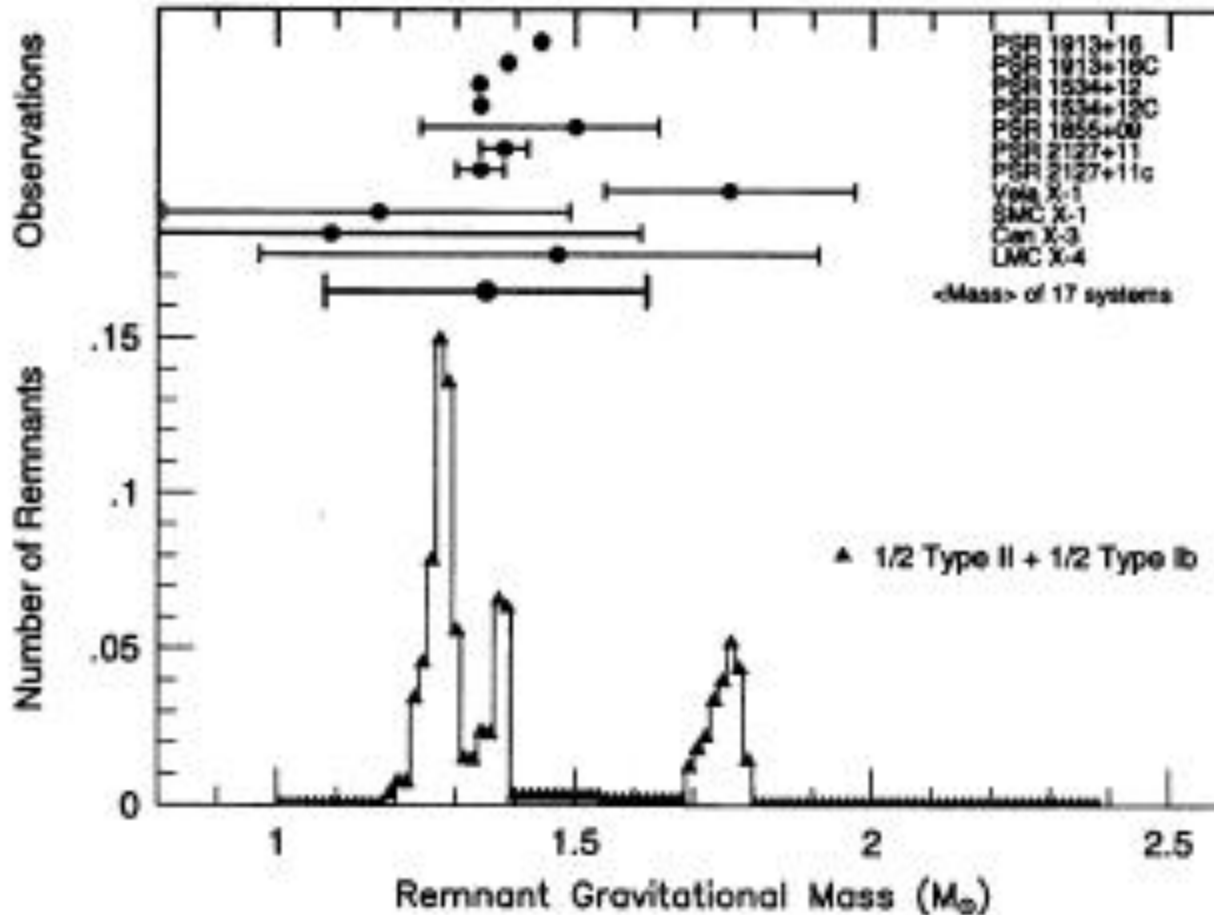


Results of calculations
(depend on the assumed model
of explosion)



(Timmes et al. 1996, astro-ph/9510136)

Mass spectrum of compact objects

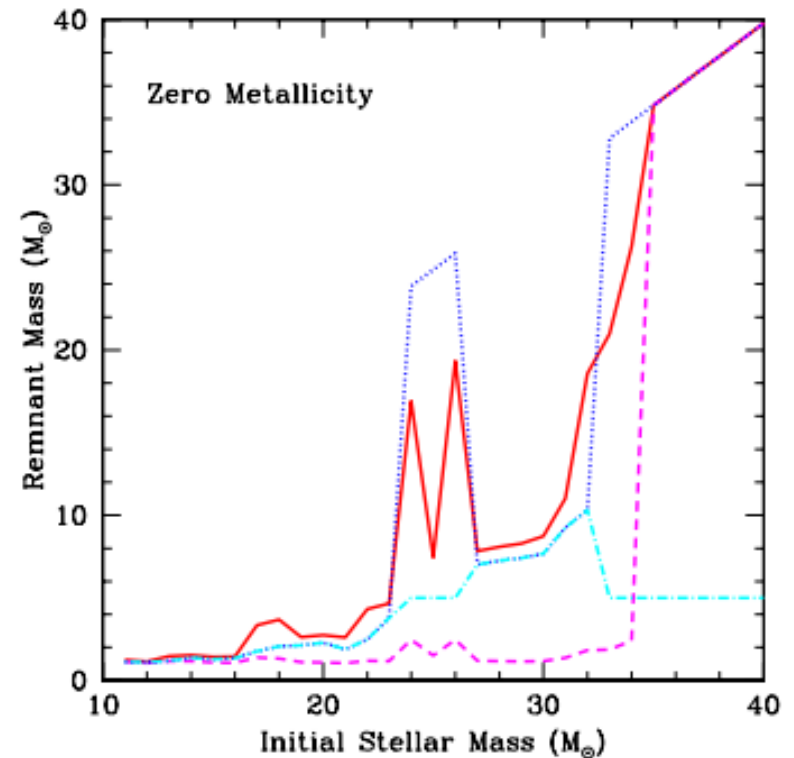
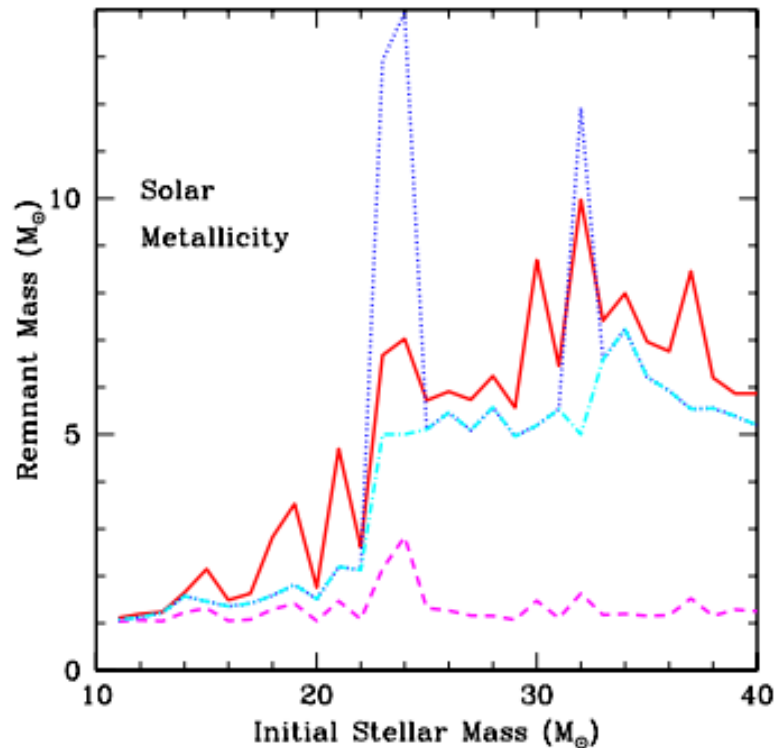


Comparison of one of the model with observations.

However, selection effects can be important as observed NSs are all in binaries.

(Timmes et al. 1996, astro-ph/9510136)

New calculations of the mass spectrum

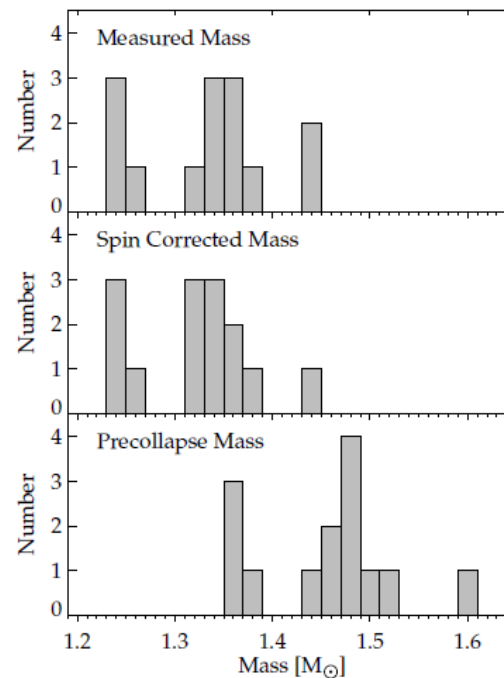
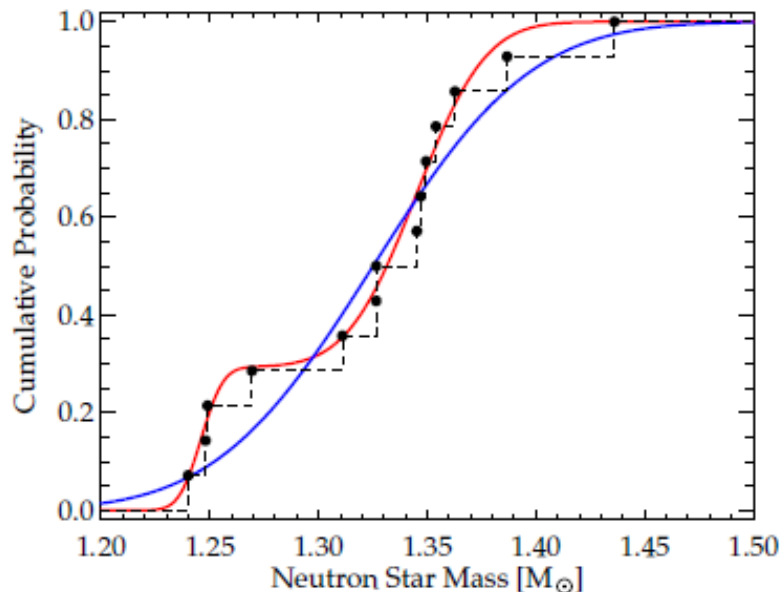


Different curves are plotted for different models of explosion:
dashed – with a magnetar

Bi-modal mass spectrum?

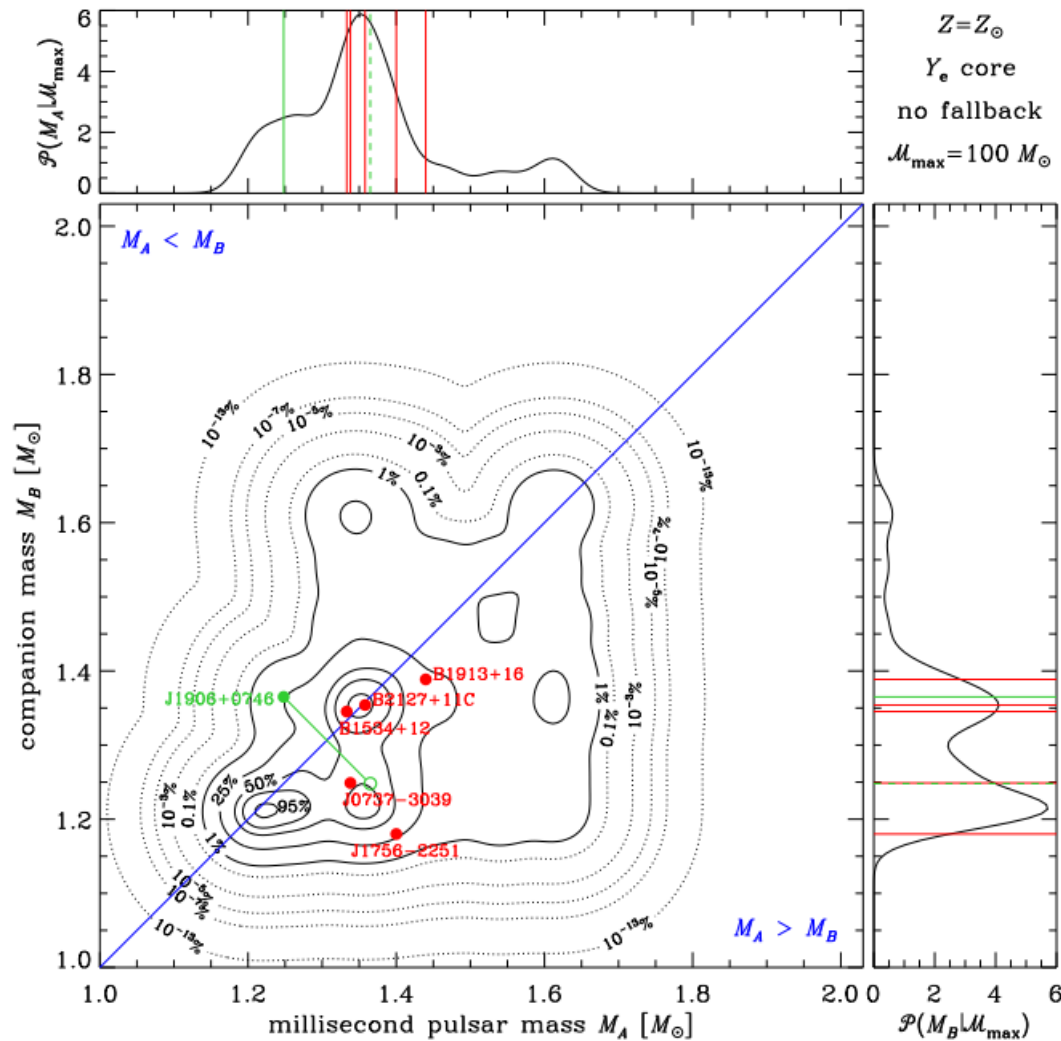
Pulsar Name	Mass of Recycled Neutron Star (M_{\odot})	Mass of Young Neutron Star (M_{\odot})	P_{orb} (hours)	Eccentricity	Pulse Period (ms)	Reference
J0737-3039A/B	1.3381 ± 0.0007	1.2489 ± 0.0007	2.4	0.088	23	Kramer et al. (2006)
B1534+12	1.3332 ± 0.0010	1.3452 ± 0.0010	10.1	0.273	38	Stairs et al. (2002)
J1756-2251	1.32 ± 0.02	1.24 ± 0.02	7.67	0.18	28	Stairs (2008)
J1906+0746	1.365 ± 0.018	1.248 ± 0.018	3.98	0.085	144 [†]	Kasian (2008)
B1913+16	1.4414 ± 0.0002	1.3867 ± 0.0002	7.92	0.617	59	Weisberg & Taylor (2005)
B2127+11C	1.358 ± 0.010	1.354 ± 0.010	8.05	0.681	30	Jacoby et al. (2006)
J1909-3744	1.438 ± 0.024	white dwarf	36.7	$\lesssim 10^{-6}$	2.9	Jacoby et al. (2005)
J1141-6545	white dwarf	1.27 ± 0.01	4.74	0.172	393 [†]	Bhat et al. (2008)

The low-mass peak the authors relate to e-capture SN.



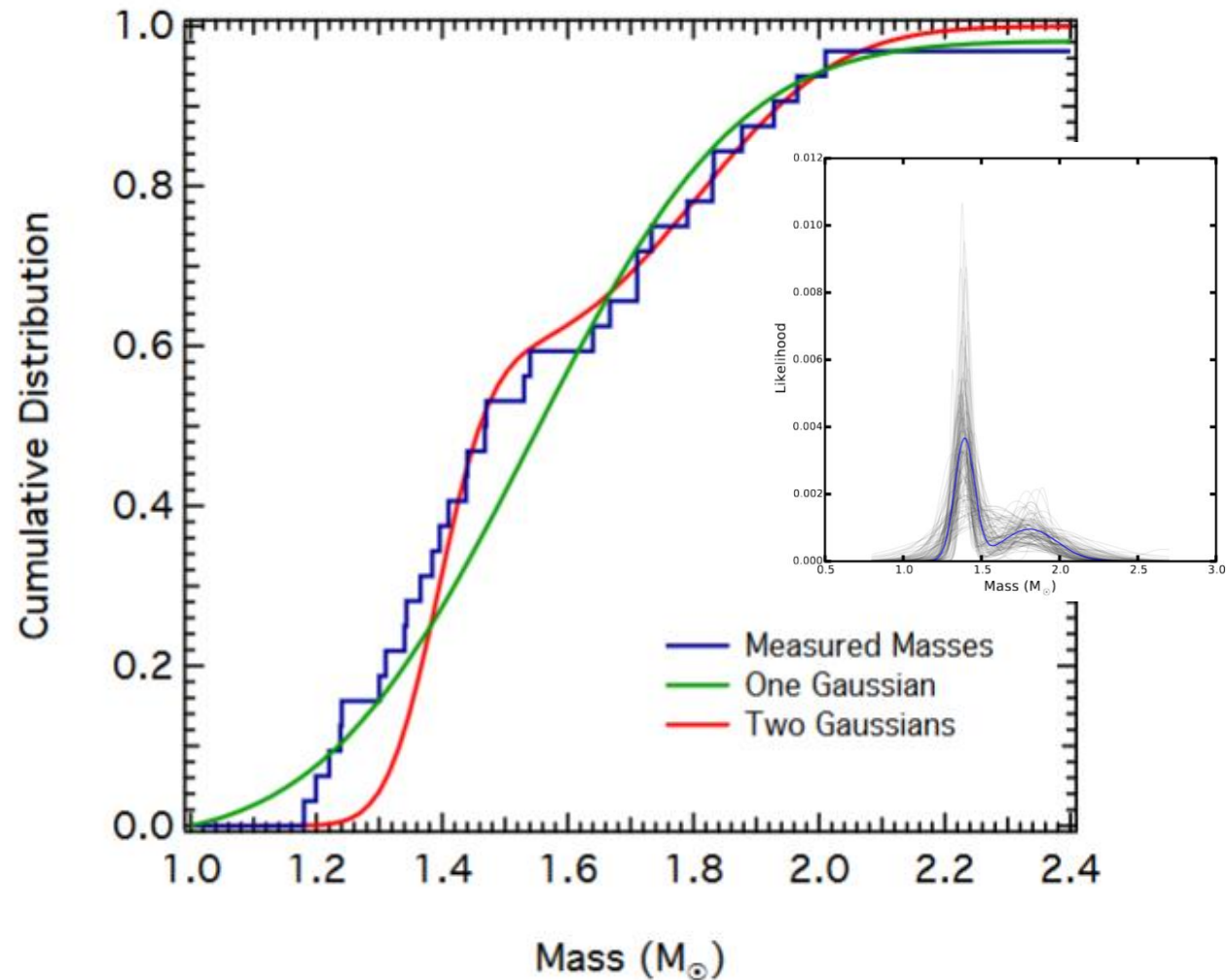
Based on 14 observed systems

Comparison of observations with theory



Bimodality in mPSR mass distribution

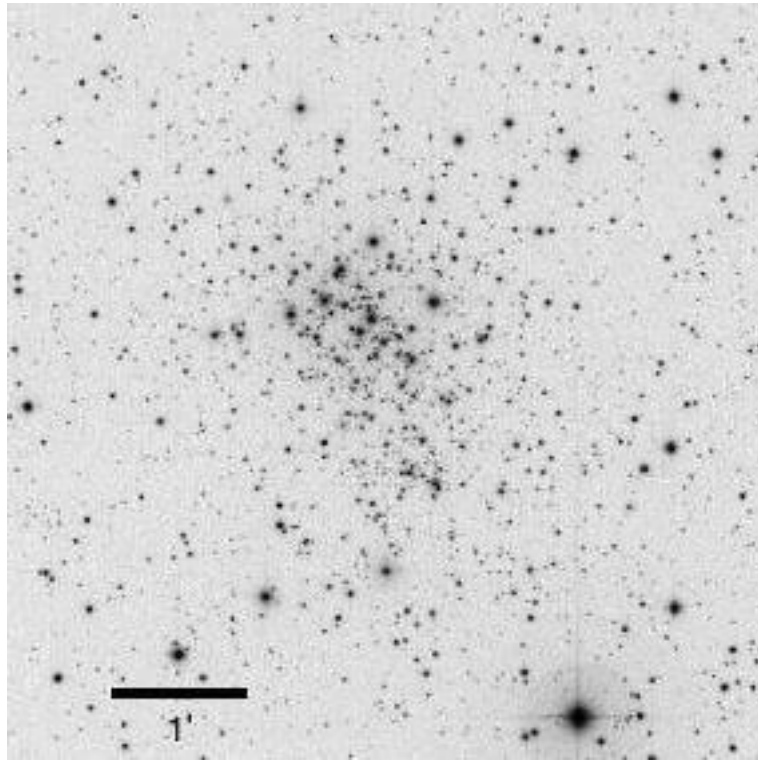
#	PSR Name	Mass [M_{\odot}]
1	J0337+1715	1.4378(13)
2	J0348+0432	2.01(4)
3	J0437-4715	1.44(7)
4	J0751+1807	1.64(15)
5	J1012+0507	1.83(11)
6	J1023+0038	1.71(16)
7	J1614-2230	1.928(17)
8	J1713+0747	1.31(11)
9	J1738+0333	1.47(7)
10	J1802-2124	1.24(11)
11	J1807-2500B	1.3655(21)
12	B1855+09	1.30(11)
13	J1903+0327	1.667(7)
14	J1909-3744	1.540(27)
15	J1910-5959A	1.34(8)
16	J1918-0642	1.18(11)
17	J1946+3417	1.832(13)
18	J2234+0611	1.396(11)



+ 14 PSR with less precisely
determined masses

The bimodality reflects birth properties?

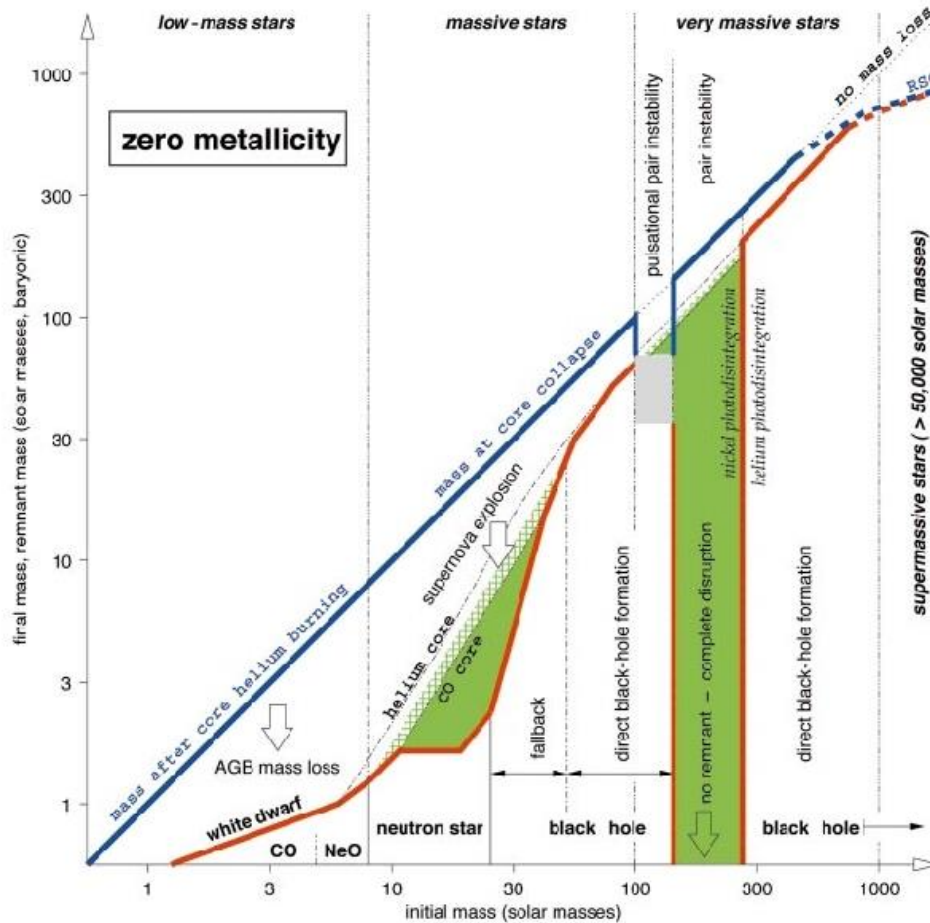
A NS from a massive progenitor



Anomalous X-ray pulsar in the association Westerlund1 most probably has a very massive progenitor, $>40 M_{\odot}$.

(astro-ph/0611589)

The case of zero metallicity



No intermediate mass range for NS formation.

(Woosley et al. 2002)

NS+NS binaries

Secondary companion in double NS binaries can give a good estimate of the initial mass if we can neglect effects of evolution in a binary system.

	Pulsar	Pulsar mass	Companion mass
GC →	B1913+16	1.44	1.39
	B2127+11C	1.36	1.35
	B1534+12	1.33	1.35
	J0737-3039	1.34	1.25
	J1756-2251	1.40	1.18
	J1518+4904	<1.17	>1.55
Non-recycled →	J1906+0746	1.25	1.37
	J1811-1736	1.56	1.12
	J1829+2456	1.2	1.4

→ 0808.2292

Also there are candidates, for example
PSR J1753-2240
arXiv:0811.2027

In NS-NS systems we can neglect all tidal effects etc.

PSR J1518+4904

[Janssen et al. arXiv: 0808.2292]

Surprising results !!!

**Mass of the recycled pulsar is
<1.17 solar masses**

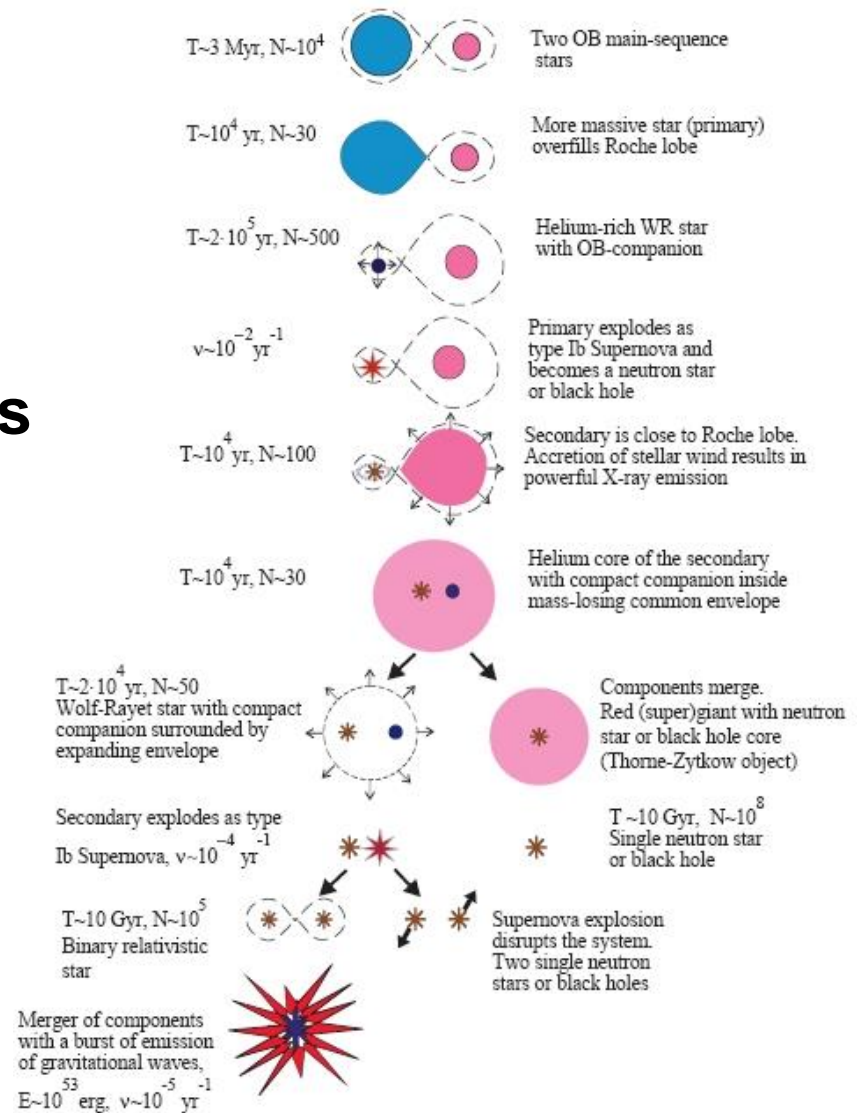
**Mass of its component is
>1.55 solar masses**

Central values are even more shocking:

$0.72^{+0.51}_{-0.58}$ and $2.00^{+0.58}_{-0.51}$

$V \sim 25$ km/s, $e \sim 0.25$

The second SN was e⁻-capture?



New measurements show less extreme values, see table 1 in 1603.02698:
<1.768 and >0.95 solar masses. Total mass is the same 2.7183 solar masses.

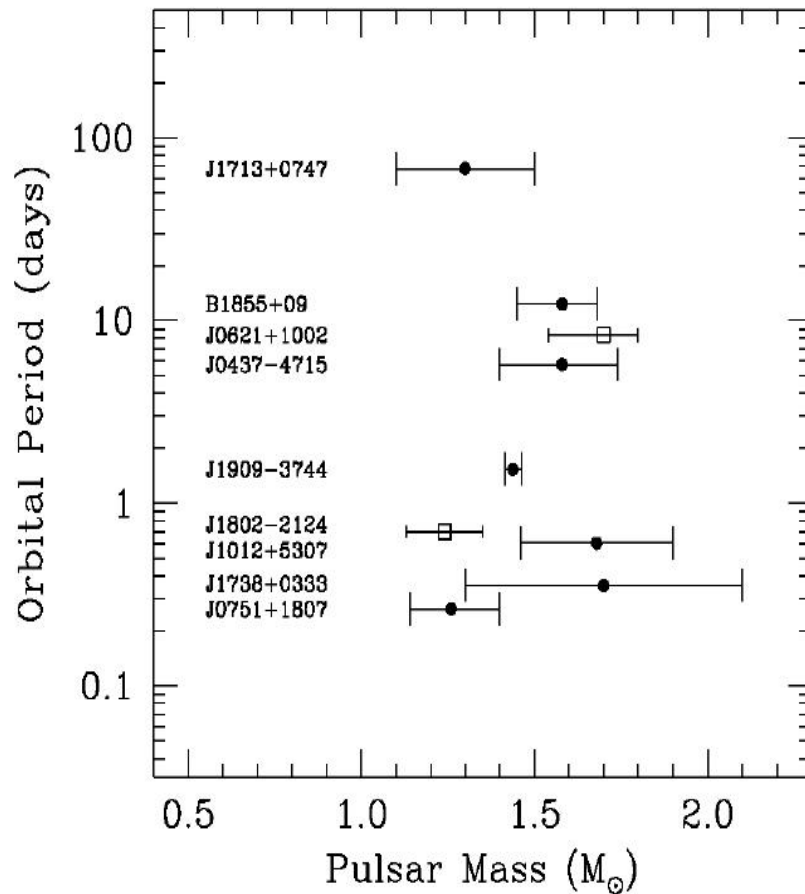
NS+WD binaries

Some examples

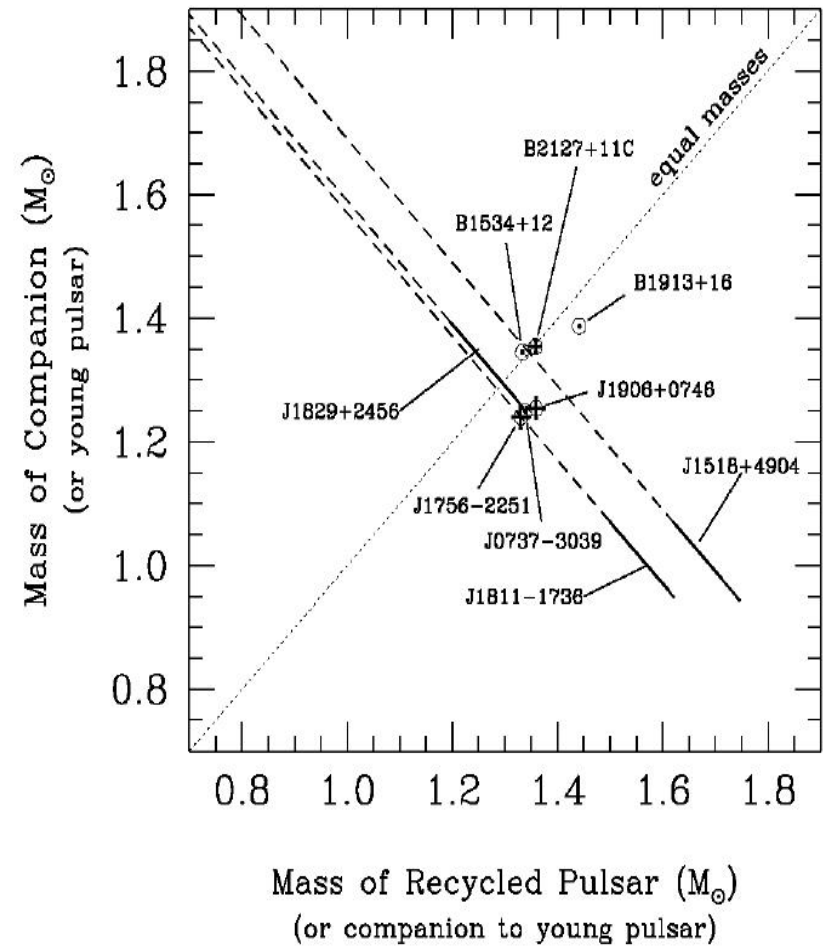
1. PSR J0437-4715. WD companion [[0801.2589](#), [0808.1594](#)].
The closest millisecond PSR. $M_{\text{NS}}=1.76\pm0.2$ solar.
2. The case of PSR J0751+1807.
Initially, it was announced that it has a mass ~ 2.1 solar [[astro-ph/0508050](#)].
However, then in 2007 at a conference the authors announced that the result was incorrect. Actually, the initial value was 2.1 ± 0.2 (1 sigma error).
New result: 1.26 ± 0.14 solar
[Nice et al. 2008, Proc. of the conf. “40 Years of pulsars”]
3. PSR B1516+02B in a globular cluster. $M\sim 2$ solar ($M>1.72$ (95%)).
A very light companion. Eccentric orbit. [Freire et al. [arXiv: 0712.3826](#)]
Joint usage of data on several pulsars can give stronger constraints on the lower limit for NS masses.

It is expected that most massive NSs get their additional “kilos” due to accretion from WD companions [[astro-ph/0412327](#)].

Pulsar masses

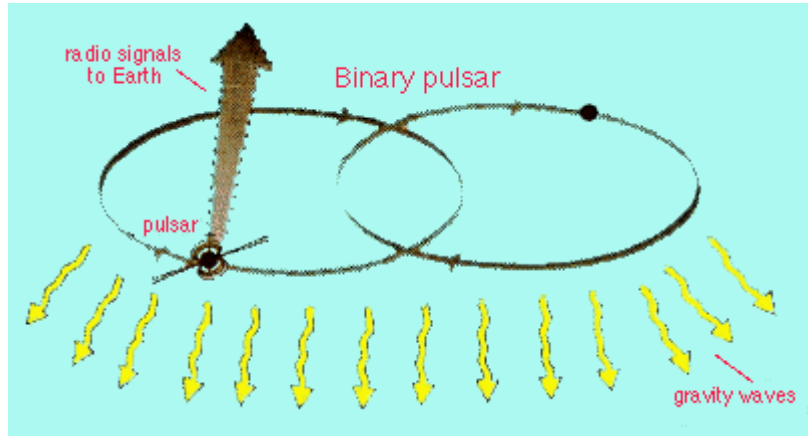


With WD companions



With NS companions

Binary pulsars



$$\frac{d\Delta_{E\odot}}{dt} = \sum_i \frac{Gm_i}{c^2 r_i} + \frac{v_{\oplus}^2}{2c^2} - \text{constant} .$$

$$\Delta_{S\odot} = -\frac{2GM_{\odot}}{c^3} \log(1 + \cos \theta) ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} T = & t_{\text{obs}} - t_0 + \Delta_C - D/f^2 + \Delta_{R\odot}(\alpha, \delta, \mu_{\alpha}, \mu_{\delta}, \pi) \\ & + \Delta_{E\odot} - \Delta_{S\odot}(\alpha, \delta) \\ & - \Delta_R(x, e, P_b, T_0, \omega, \dot{\omega}, \dot{P}_b) - \Delta_E(\gamma) - \Delta_S(r, s) \end{aligned}$$

See 1502.05474 for a recent detailed review

Relativistic corrections and measurable parameters

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\omega} &= 3 \left[\frac{P_b}{2\pi} \right]^{-5/3} (T_{\odot} M)^{2/3} (1-e^2)^{-1} , \\ \gamma &= e \left[\frac{P_b}{2\pi} \right]^{1/3} T_{\odot}^{2/3} M^{-4/3} m_2 (m_1 + 2m_2) , \\ \dot{P}_b &= -\frac{192\pi}{5} \left[\frac{P_b}{2\pi} \right]^{-5/3} \left[1 + \frac{73}{24}e^2 + \frac{37}{96}e^4 \right] \\ &\quad \times (1-e^2)^{-7/2} T_{\odot}^{5/3} m_1 m_2 M^{-1/3} ,\end{aligned}$$

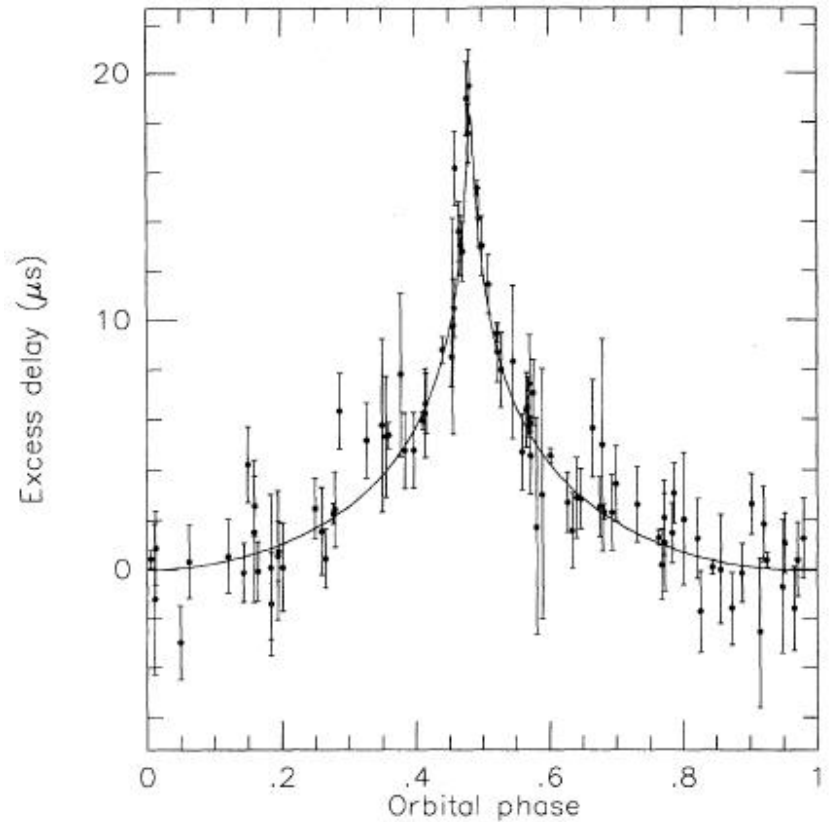
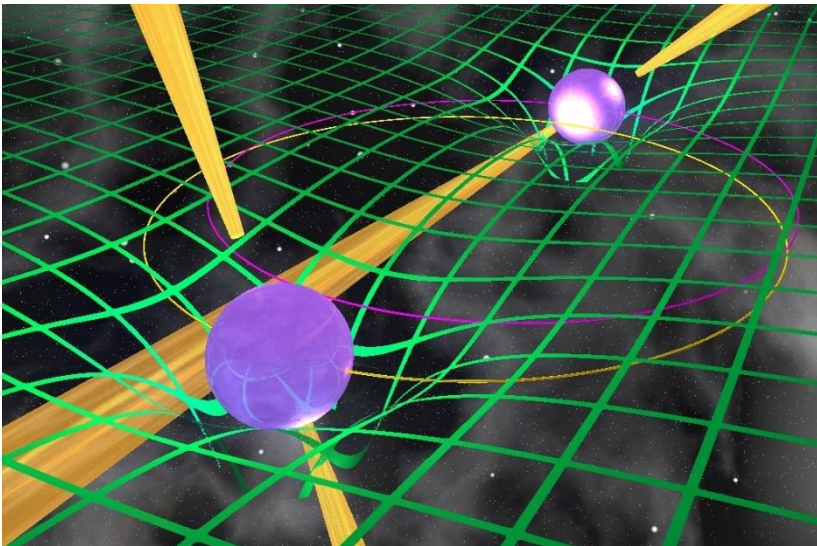
$$r = T_{\odot} m_2 ,$$

$$s = x \left[\frac{P_b}{2\pi} \right]^{-2/3} T_{\odot}^{-1/3} M^{2/3} m_2^{-1} .$$

For details see
Taylor, Weisberg 1989
ApJ 345, 434

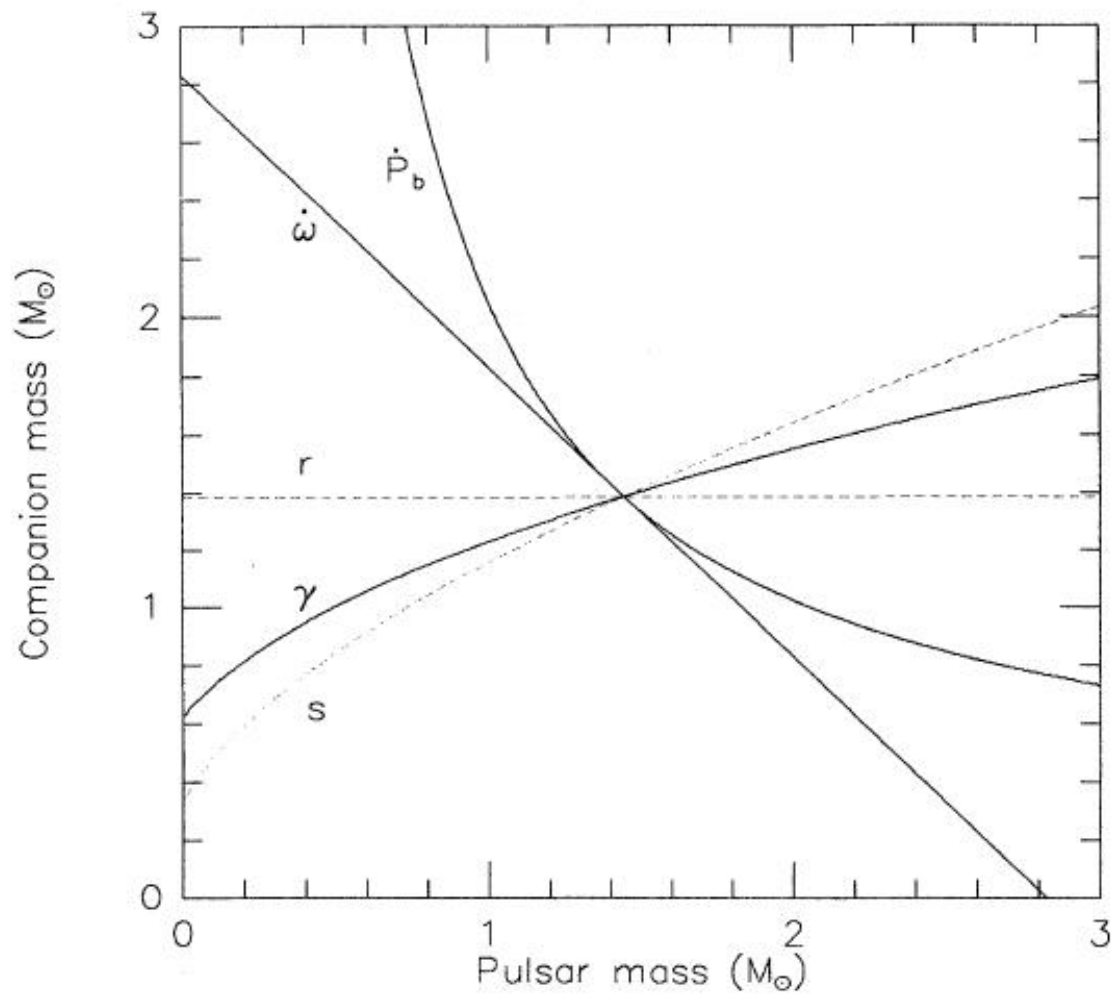
Shapiro delay

$$\Delta_S = -2r \log(1 - s \cos[2\pi(\phi - \phi_0)])$$



PSR 1855+09 (Taylor, Nobel lecture)

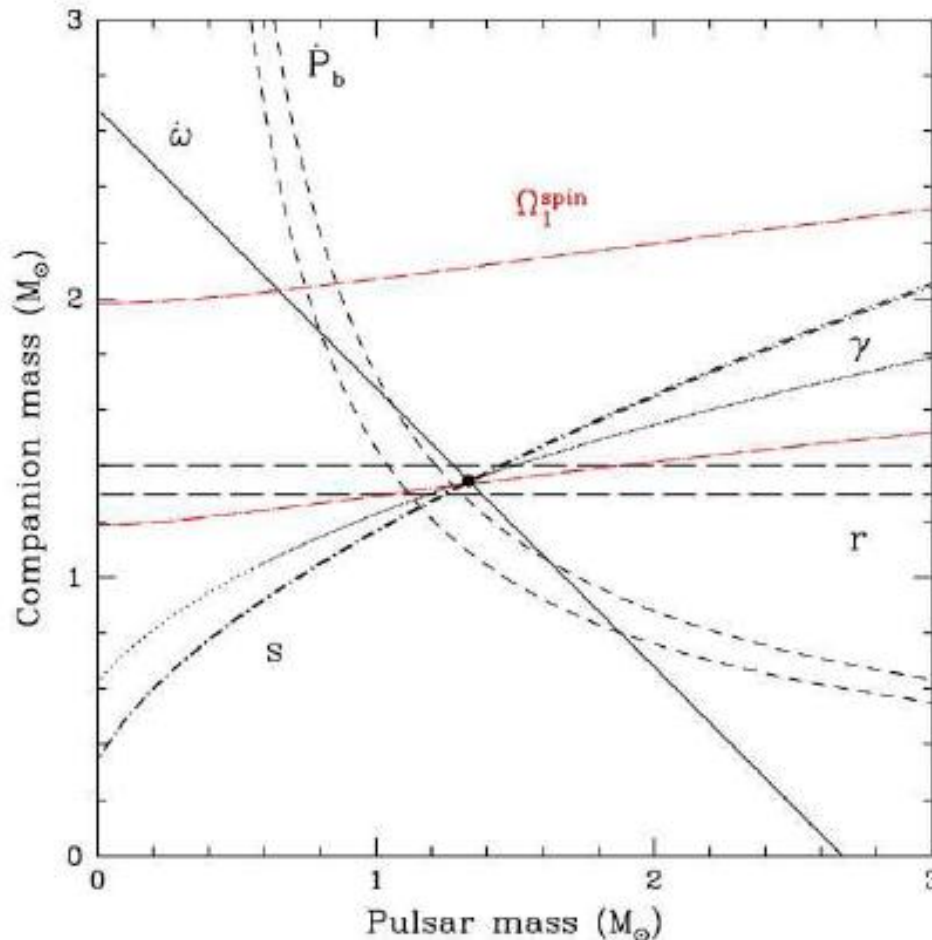
Mass measurements



PSR 1913+16

(Taylor)

Uncertainties and inverse problems

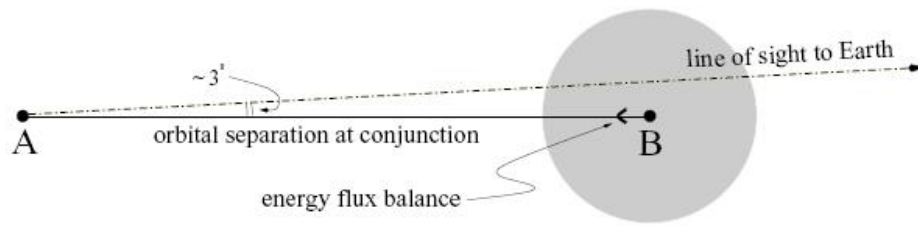
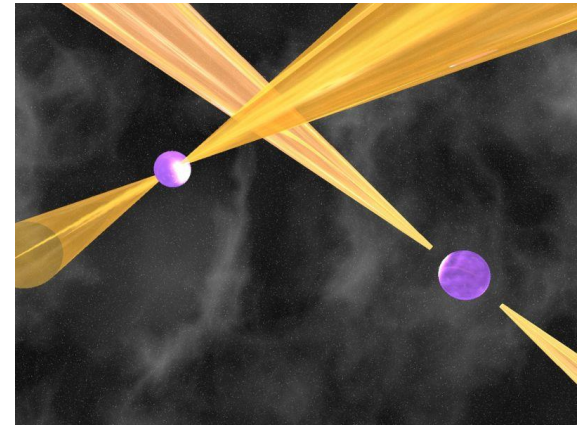
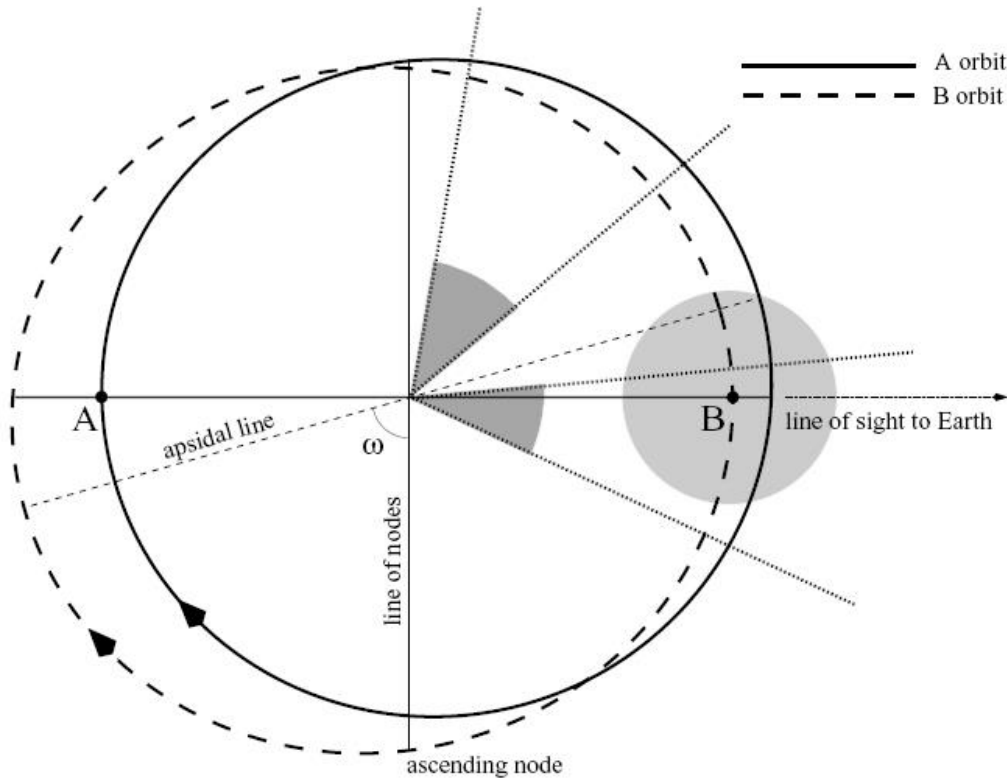


\dot{P}_b depends on the Shklovskii effect. So, if distance is not certain, it is difficult to have a good measurement of this parameter.

It is possible to invert the problem. Assuming that GR is correct, one can improve the distance estimate for the given source.

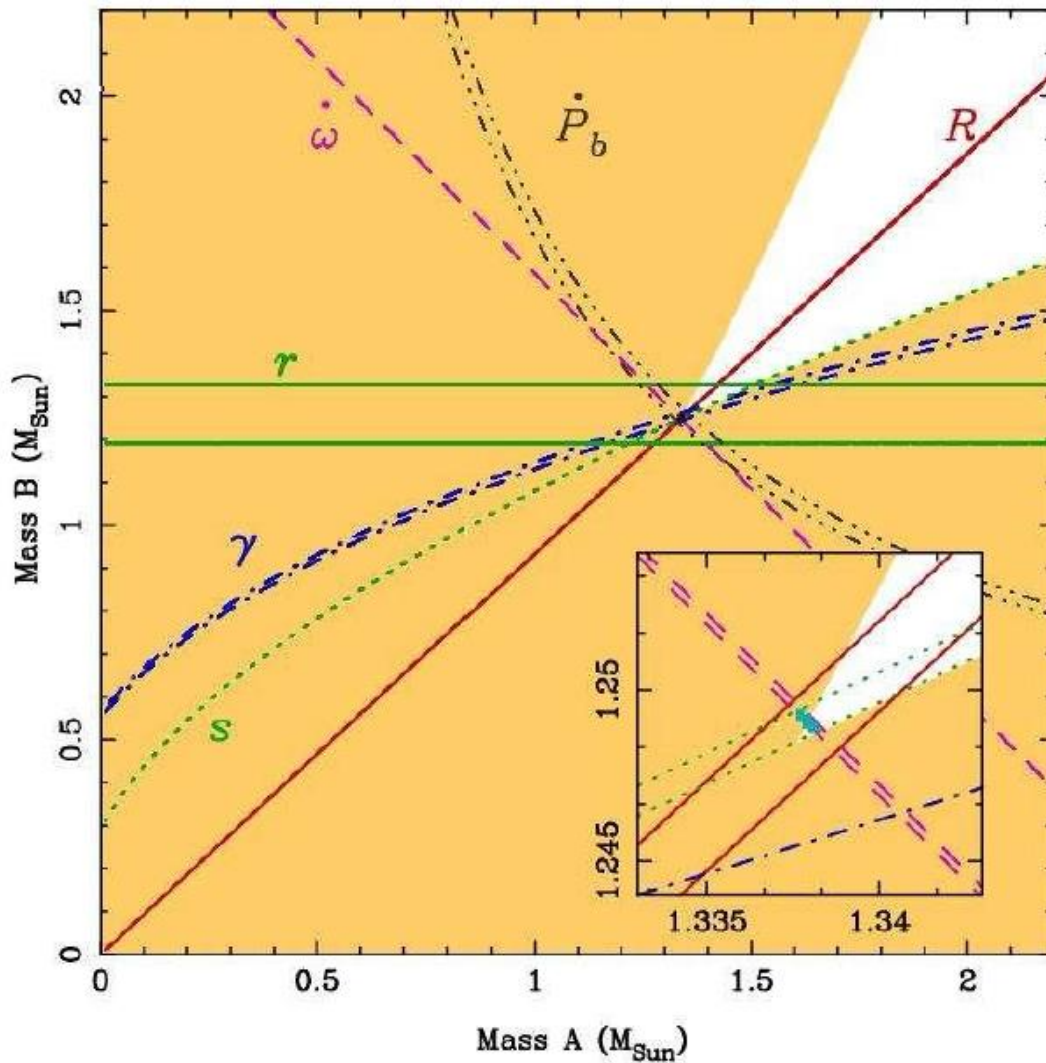
PSR B1534+12.

Double pulsar J0737-3039



(Lyne et al. astro-ph/0401086)

Masses for PSR J0737-3039



The most precise values.

New mass estimates
have uncertainties <0.001

(Kramer et al. astro-ph/0609417)

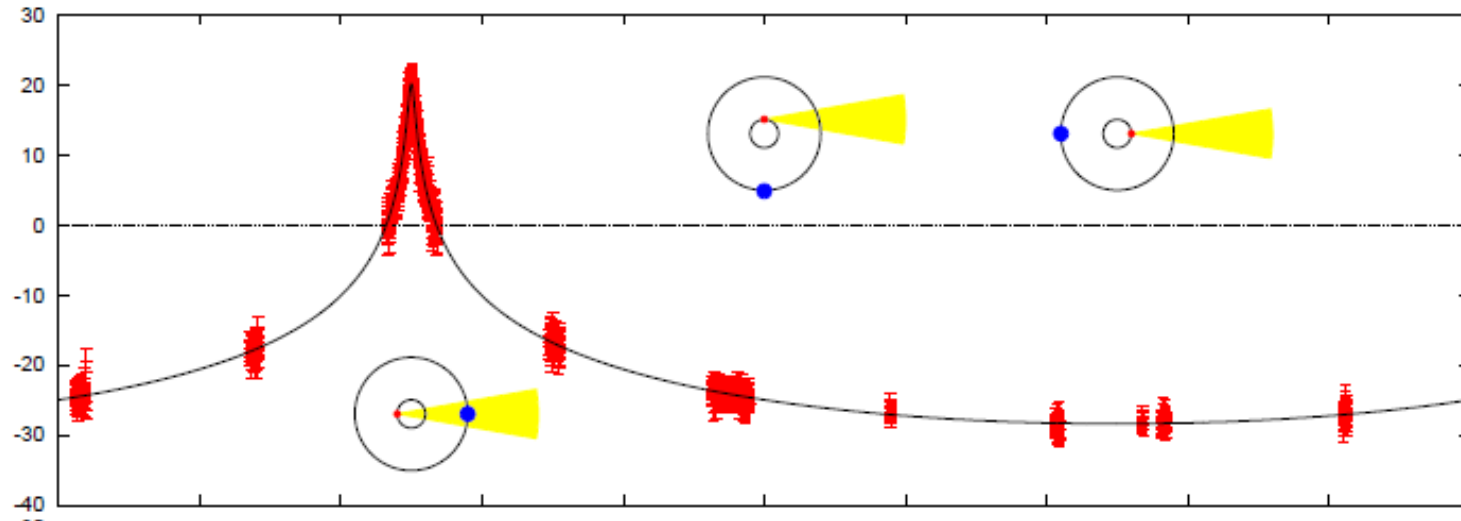
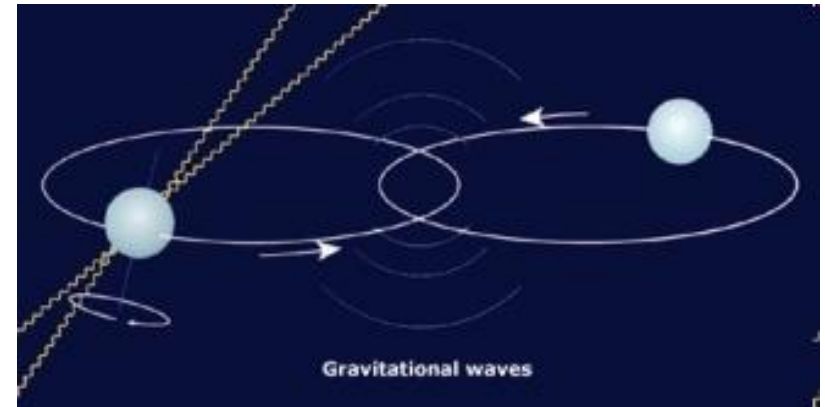
Very massive neutron star

Binary system: pulsar + white dwarf
PSR 1614-2230

Mass ~ 2 solar

About the WD see 1106.5497.

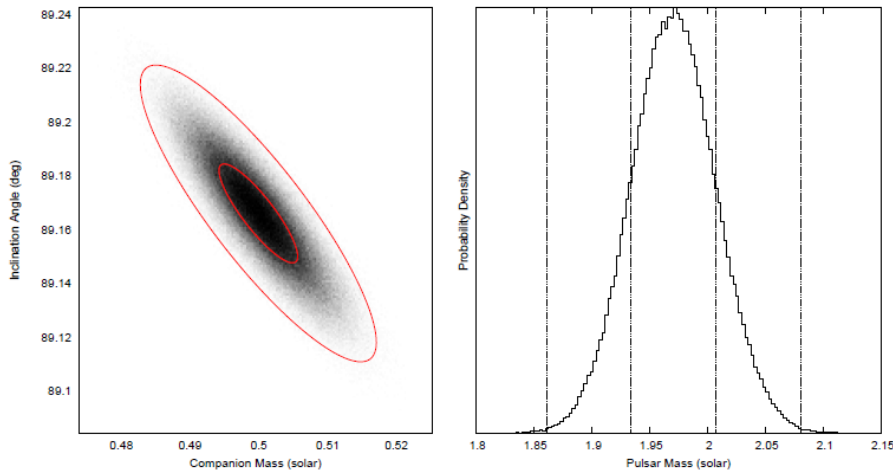
The object was identified in optics.



arXiv: 1010.5788

About formation of this objects see 1103.4996

Why is it so important?

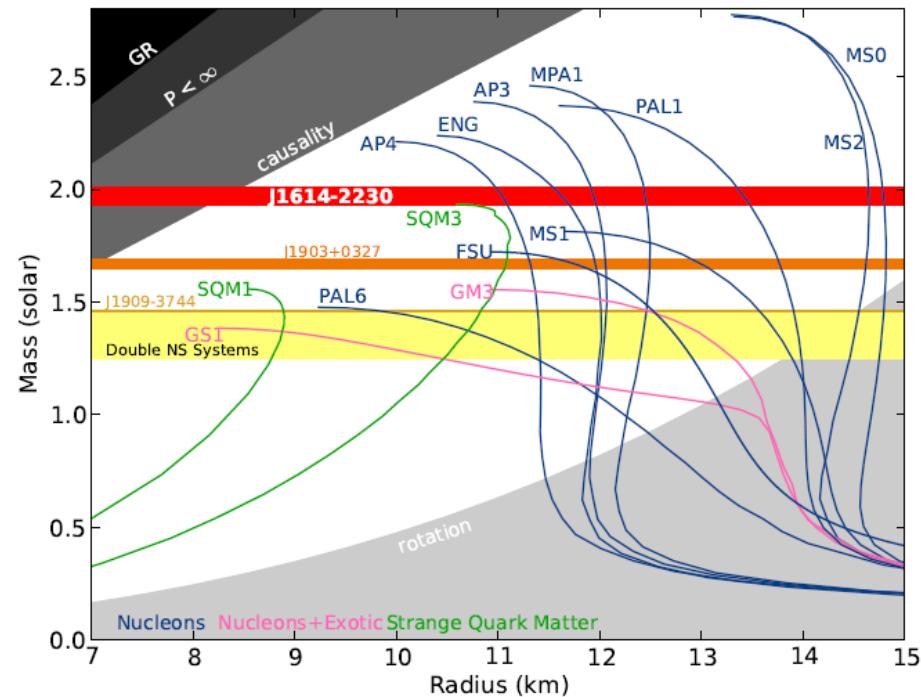


Collapse happens earlier for softer EoSs, see however, 1111.6929 about quark and hybrid stars to explain these data.

Interestingly, it was suggested that just <0.1 solar masses was accreted (1210.8331)

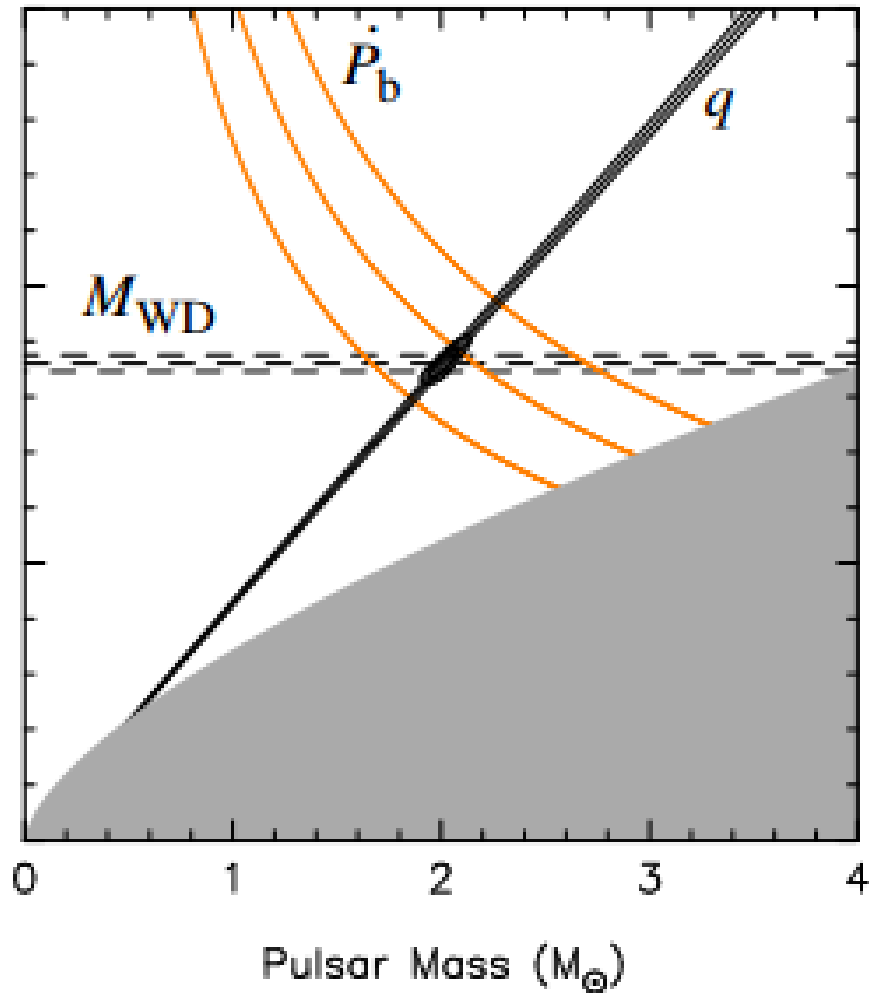
In the future specific X-ray sources (eclipsing msec PSR like SWIFT J1749.4-2807) can show Shapiro delay and help to obtain masses for a different kind of systems, see 1005.3527 , 1005.3479 .

The maximum mass is a crucial property of a given EoS



arXiv: 1010.5788

2.01 solar masses NS

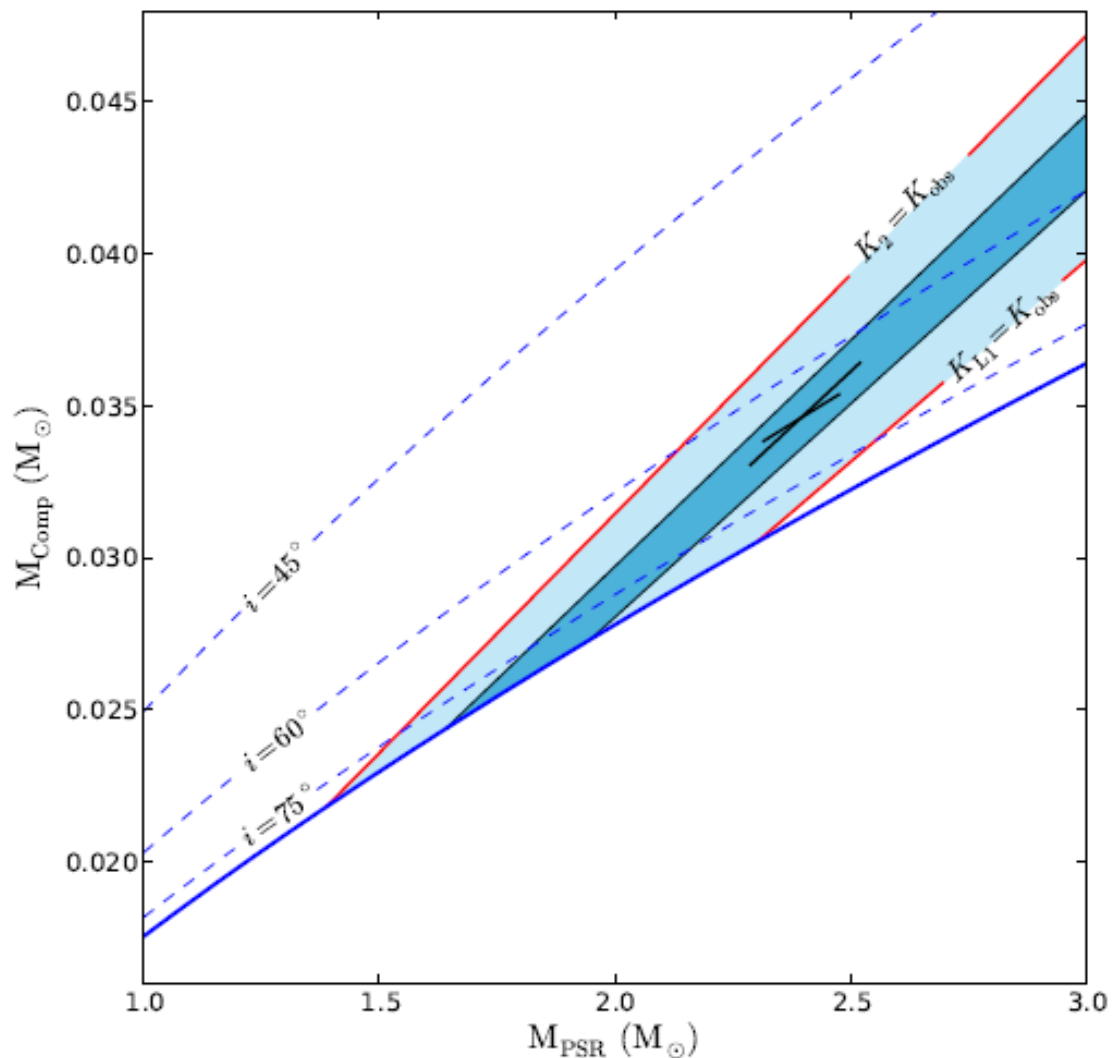


PSR J0348+0432
39 ms, 2.46 h orbit
WD companion

The NS mass is estimated to be:
1.97 – 2.05 solar mass at 68.27%
1.90 – 2.18 solar mass at 99.73%
confidence level.

System is perfect for probing
theories of gravity as it is very compact.

The most extreme (but unclear) example



BLACK WIDOW PULSAR
PSR B1957+20

2.4 \pm 0.12 solar masses

More measurements

PSR J1738+0333 NS+WD

arXiv: 1204.3948

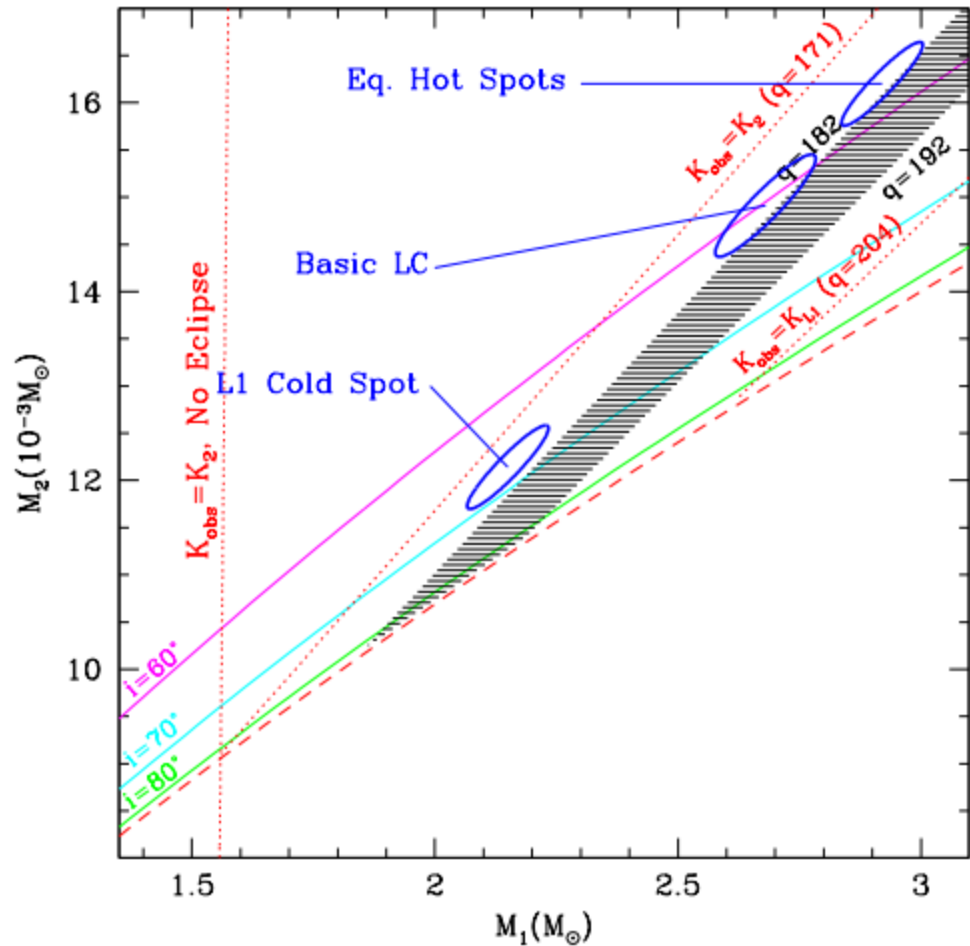
$$M_{\text{WD}} = 0.181 \pm 0.007 \text{--} 0.005 M_{\odot}$$

$$M_{\text{PSR}} = 1.47 \pm 0.07 \text{--} 0.06 M_{\odot}$$

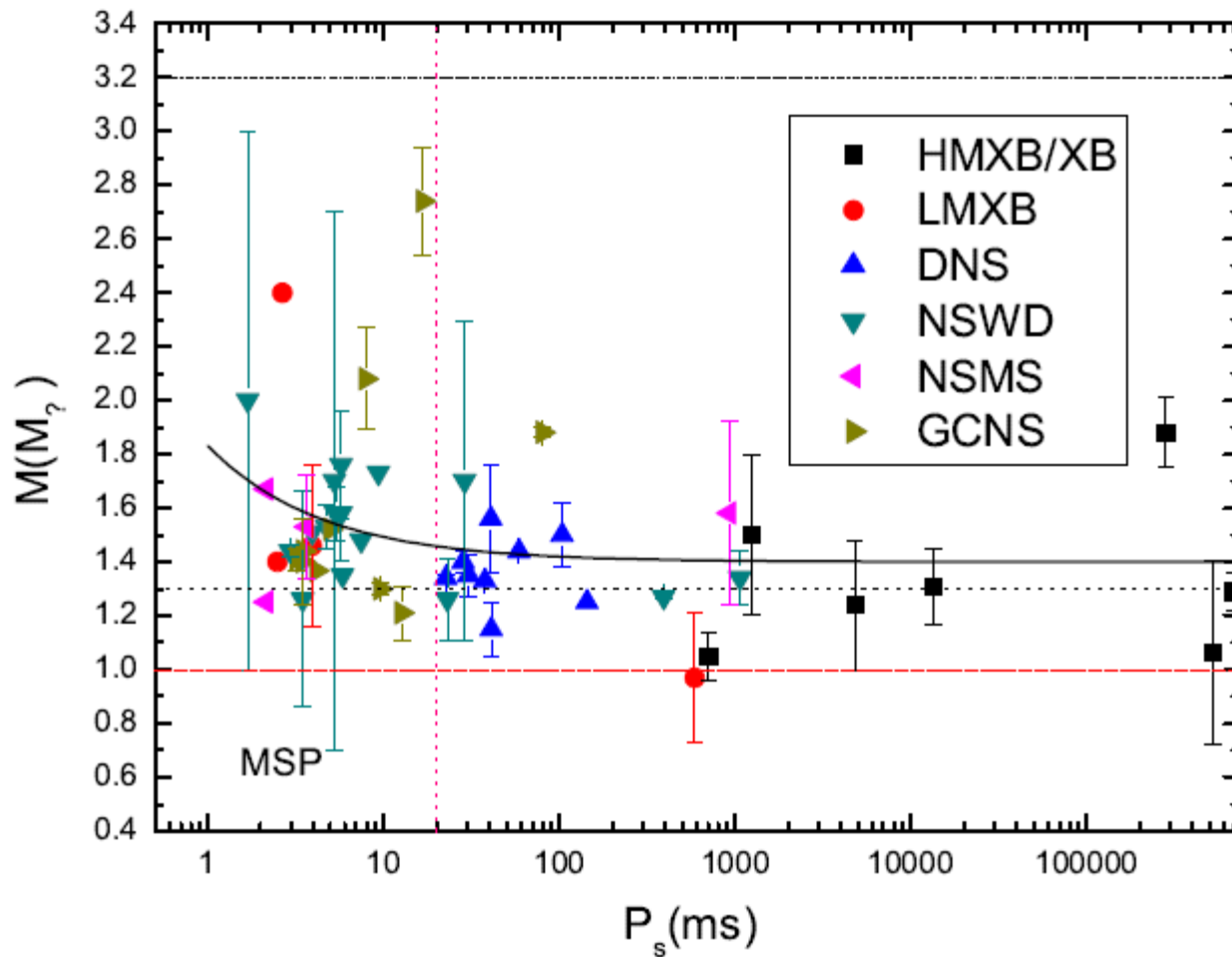
PSR J1311–3430

arXiv: 1210.6884

MPSR > 2.1 at least!



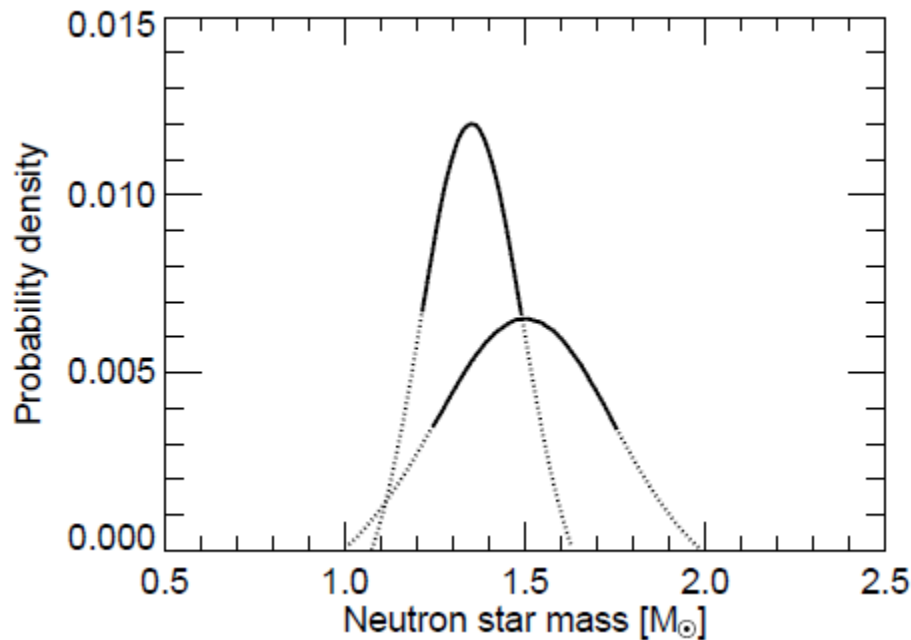
How much do PSRs accrete?



$$M = 1.4 + 0.43(P/\text{ms})^{-2/3}$$

Millisecond pulsars are
~0.2 solar masses more
massive than the rest ones.

DNS and NS+WD binaries



1.35 \pm 0.13 and 1.5 \pm 0.25

Cut-off at ~ 2.1 solar masses
can be mainly due to evolution
in a binary, not due to nuclear
physics (see 1309.6635)

Neutron stars in binaries

Study of close binary systems gives an opportunity to obtain mass estimate for progenitors of NSs (see for example, Ergma, van den Heuvel 1998 A&A 331, L29).

For example, an interesting estimate was obtained for GX 301-2.

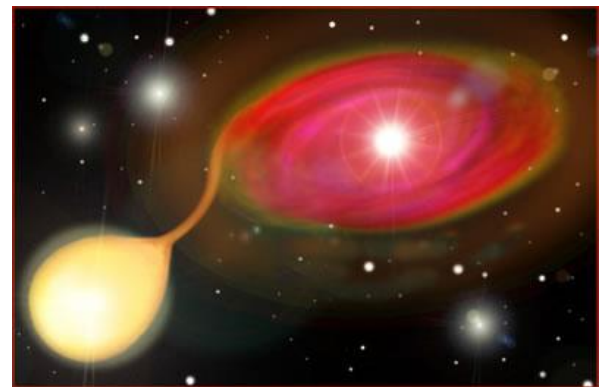
The progenitor mass is >50 solar masses.

On the other hand, for several other systems with both NSs and BHs progenitor masses are smaller: from 20 up to 50.

Finally, for the BH binary LMC X-3 the progenitor mass is estimated as >60 solar.

So, the situation is tricky.

Most probably, in some range of masses, at least in binary systems, stars can produce both types of compact objects: NSs and BHs.



Mass determination in binaries:

mass function

$$f_v(m) \frac{m_x^3 \sin^3 i}{(m_x + m_v)^2} = 1,038 \cdot 10^{-7} K_v^3 P (1 - e^2)^{3/2},$$

m_x, m_v - masses of a compact object and of a normal star (in solar units),
 K_v – observed semi-amplitude of line of sight velocity of the normal star (in km/s),
 P – orbital period (in days), e – orbital eccentricity, i – orbital inclination
(the angle between the orbital plane and line of sight).

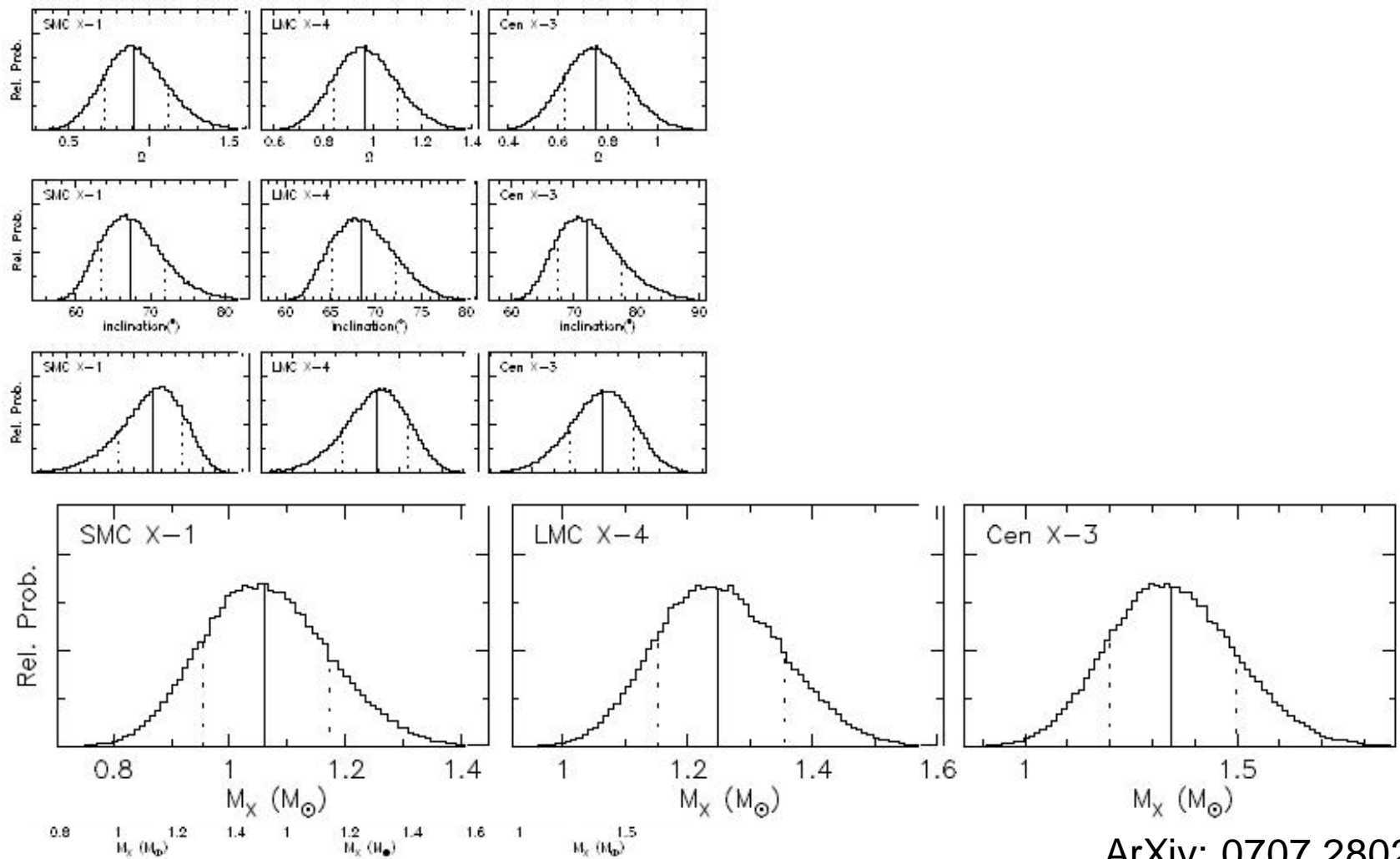
One can see that the mass function is the lower limit for the mass of a compact star.

The mass of a compact object can be calculated as:

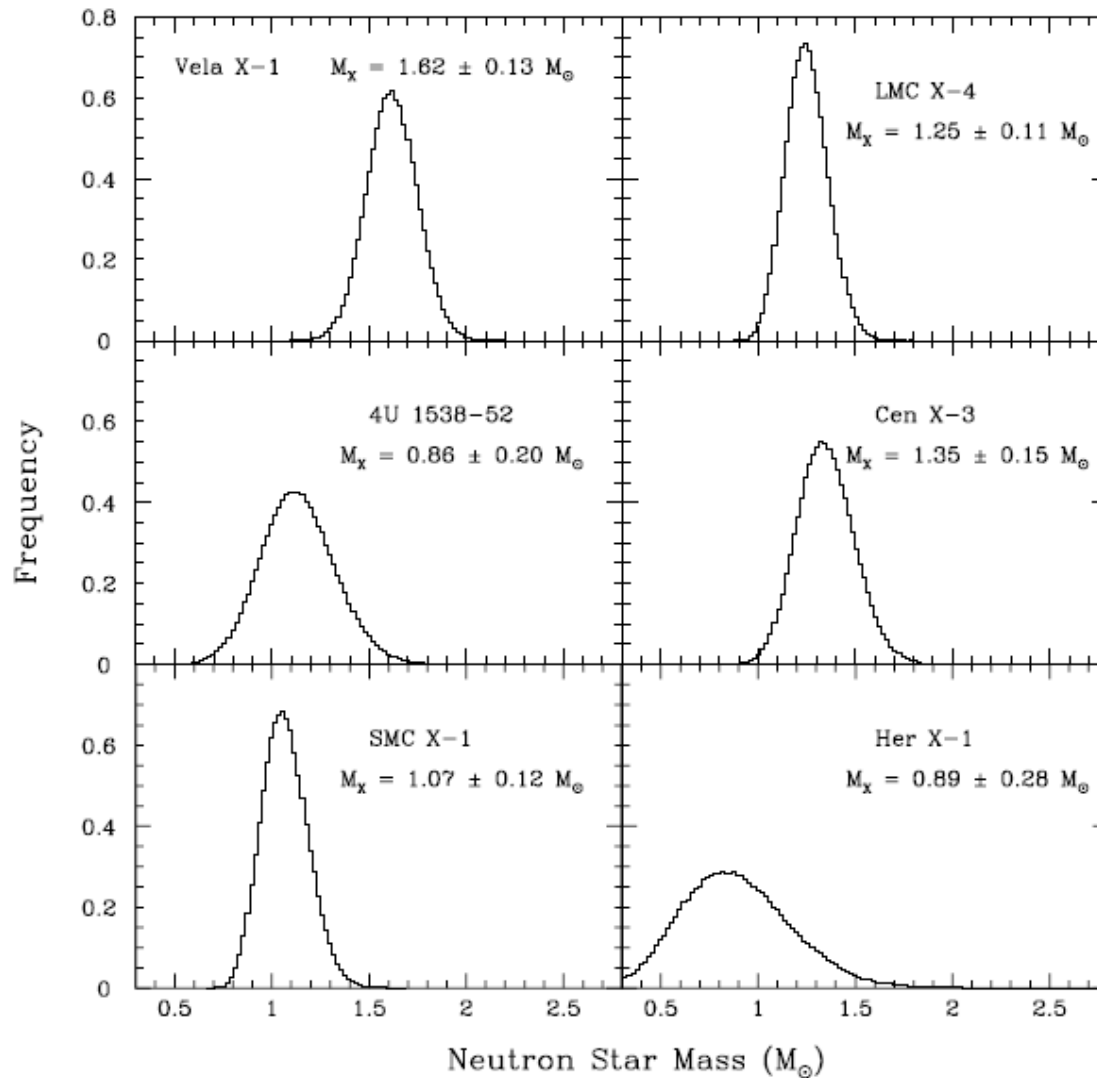
$$m_x = f_v(m) \left(1 + \frac{m_v}{m_x}\right)^2 \frac{1}{\sin^3 i}.$$

So, to derive the mass it is necessary to know (besides the line of sight velocity) independently two more parameters: mass ratio $q = m_x/m_v$, and orbital inclination i .

Some mass estimates

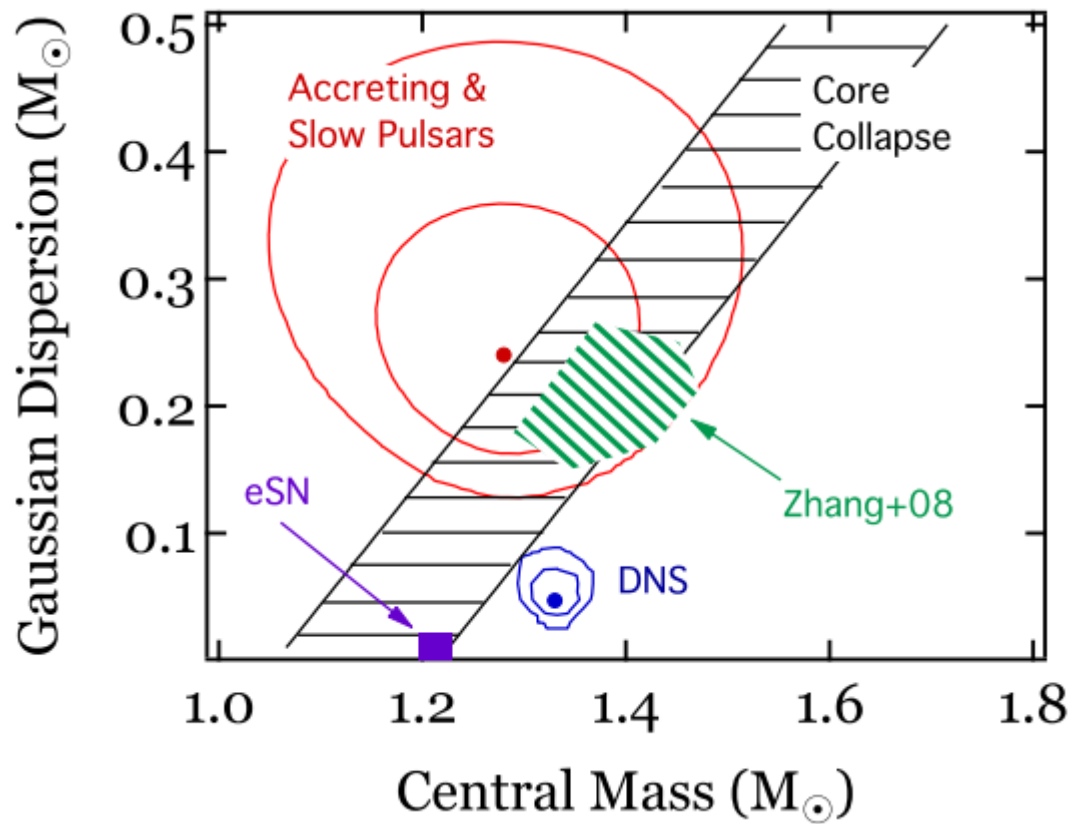


More measurements



Six X-ray binary systems.
All are eclipsing pulsars.

Altogether



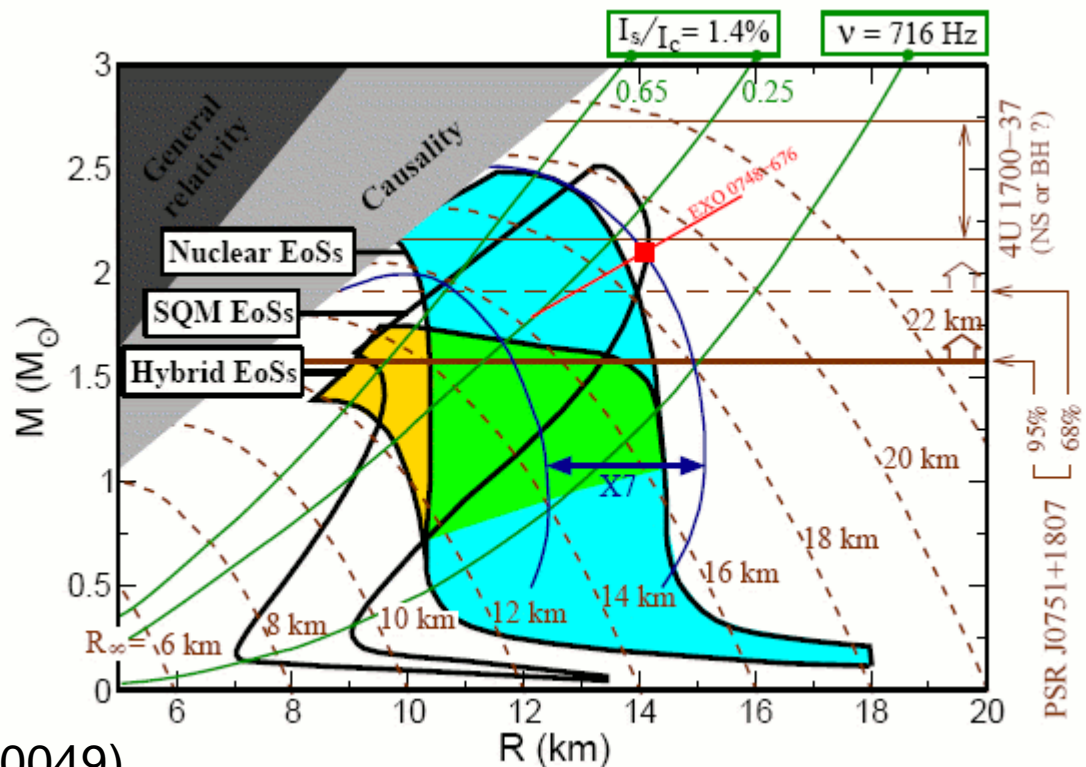
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Mass-radius diagram and constraints

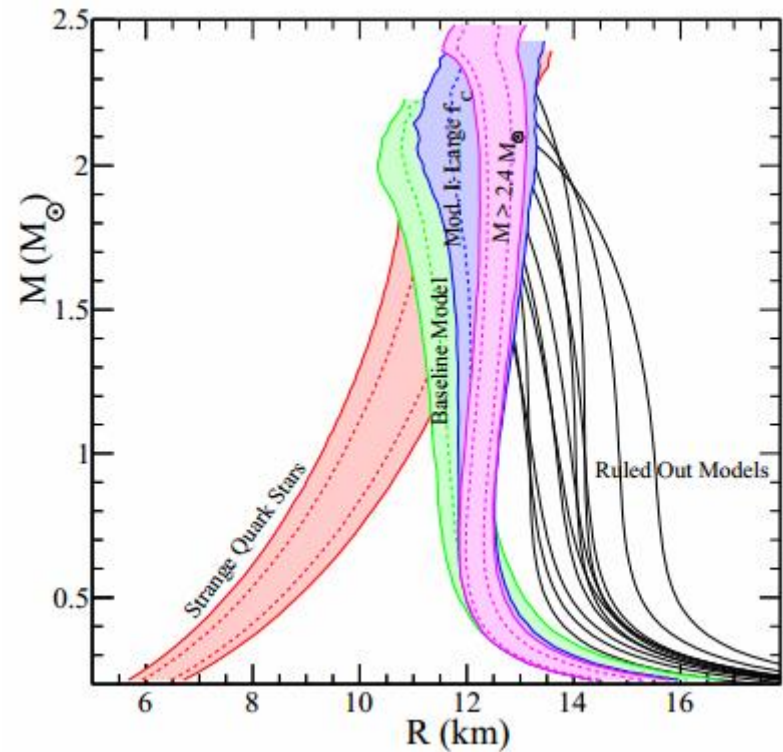
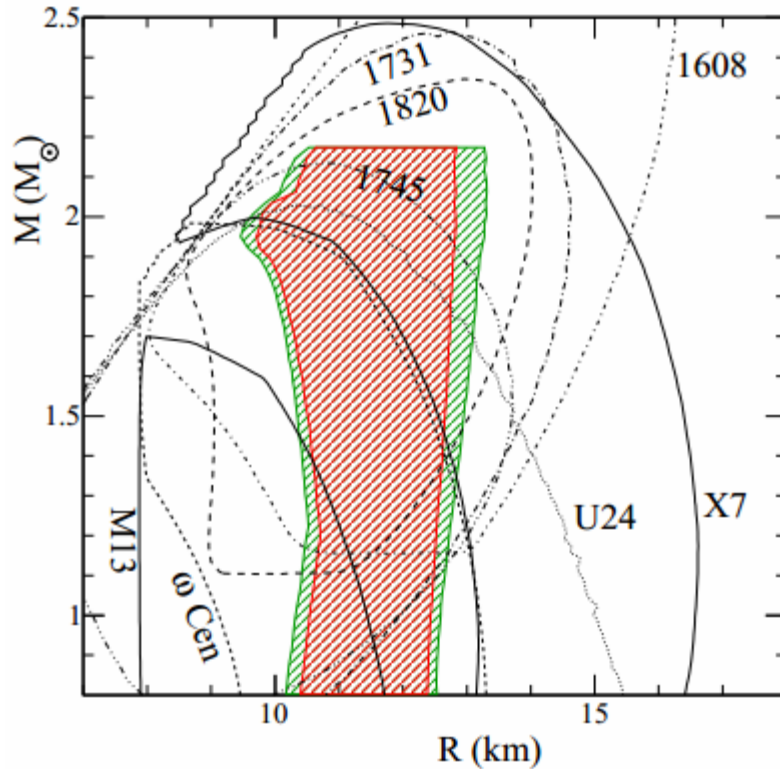
Unfortunately, there are no good data on independent measurements of masses and radii of NSs.

Still, it is possible to put important constraints. Most of recent observations favour stiff EoS.

Useful analytical estimates for EoS can be found in 1310.0049).



Observations vs. data



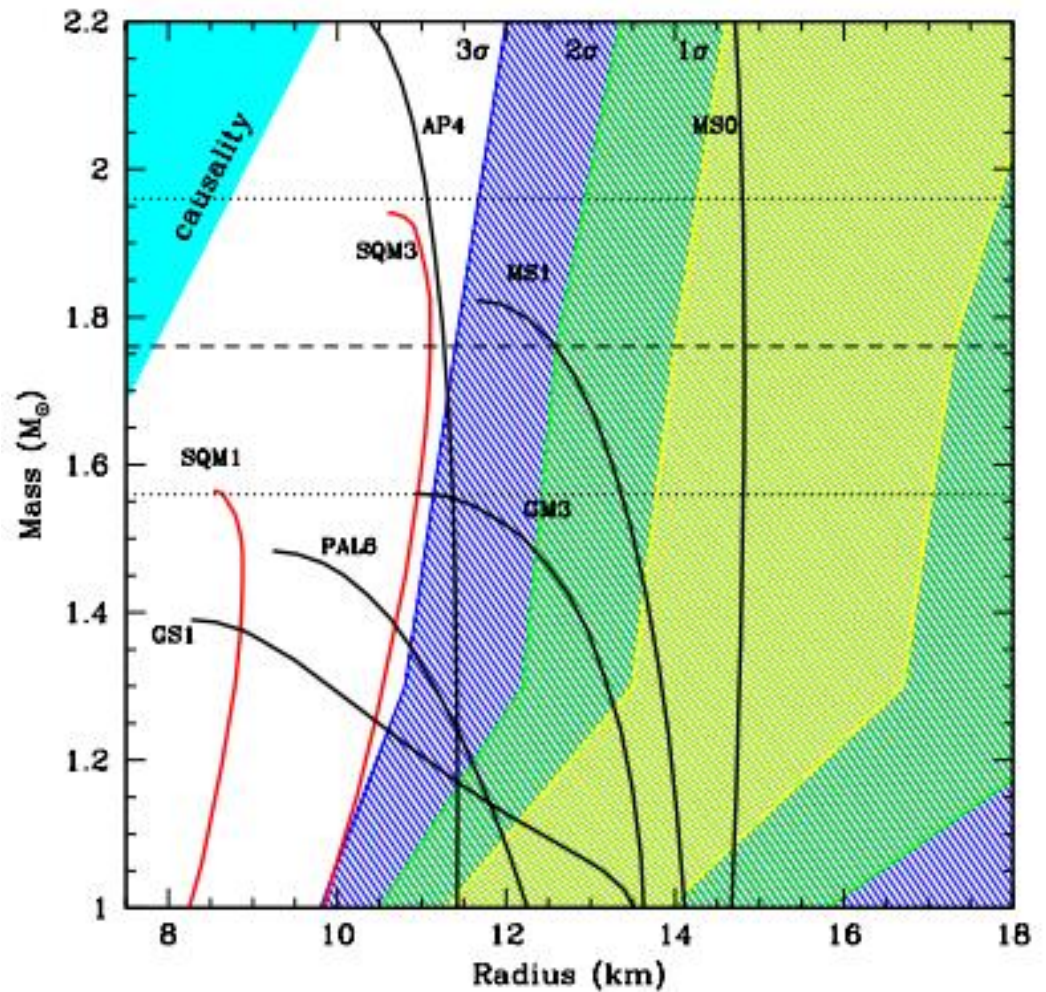
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Some newer results by the same group are presented in 1305.3242

Mass and radius for a pulsar!

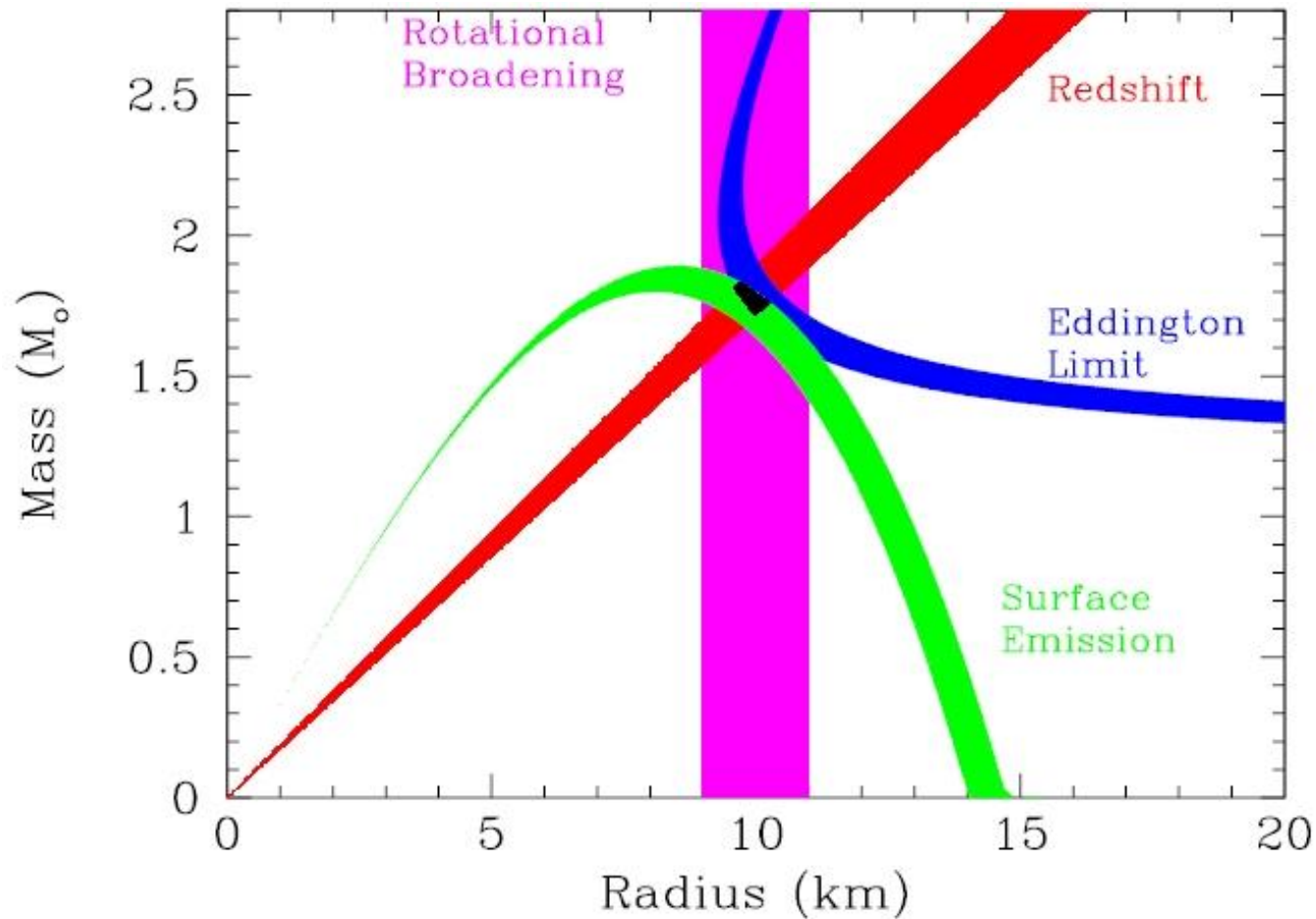
PSR J0437-4715 NS+WD

The nearest known mPSR
155-158 pc



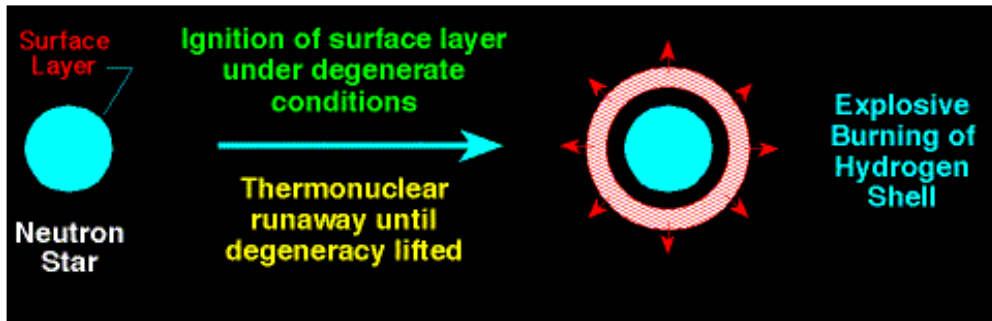
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Combination of different methods



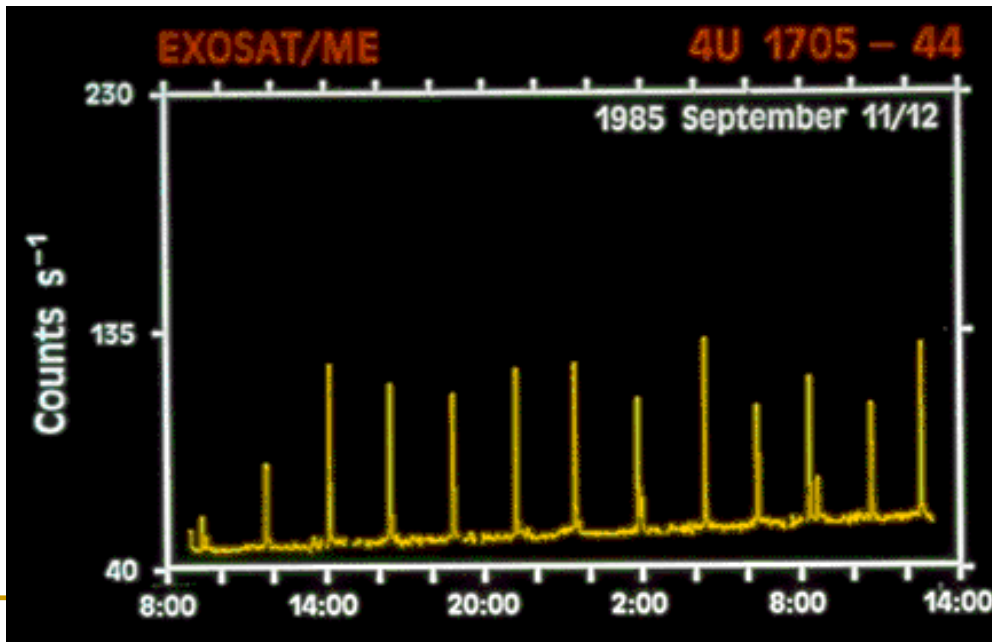
EXO 0748-676

Radius determination in bursters



Explosion with a \sim Eddington luminosity.

Modeling of the burst spectrum and its evolution.



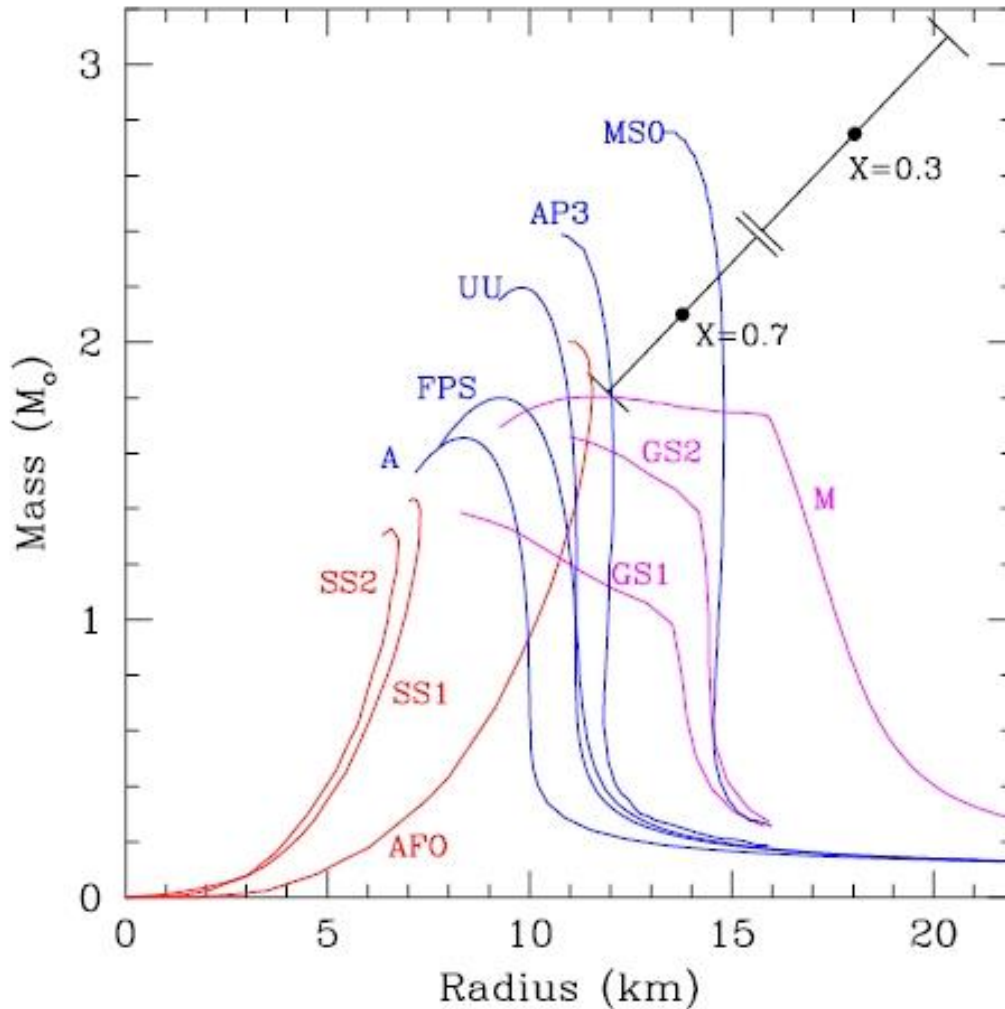
See, for example,
Joss, Rappaport 1984,
Haberl, Titarchuk 1995

More measurements

Continuously new measurements, critics and discussion appears

- 1104.2602 Systematic Uncertainties in the Spectroscopic Measurements of Neutron-Star Masses and Radii from Thermonuclear X-ray Bursts. II. Eddington Limit
- 1104.5027 The Mass and Radius of the Neutron Star in the Bulge Low-Mass X-ray Binary KS 1731-260
- 1103.5767 Systematic Uncertainties in the Spectroscopic Measurements of Neutron-Star Masses and Radii from Thermonuclear X-ray Bursts. I. Apparent Radii
- 1105.1525 Mass and radius estimation for the neutron star in X-ray burster 4U 1820-30
- 1105.2030 New Method for Determining the Mass and Radius of Neutron Stars
- 1106.3131 Constraints on the Mass and Radius of the Neutron Star XTE J1807-294
- 1111.0347 Constraints on neutron star mass and radius in GS 1826-24 from sub-Eddington X-ray bursts
- 1201.1680 On the consistency of neutron-star radius measurements from thermonuclear bursts
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- 1301.0831 The mass and the radius of the neutron star in the transient low mass X-ray binary SAX J1748.9-2021

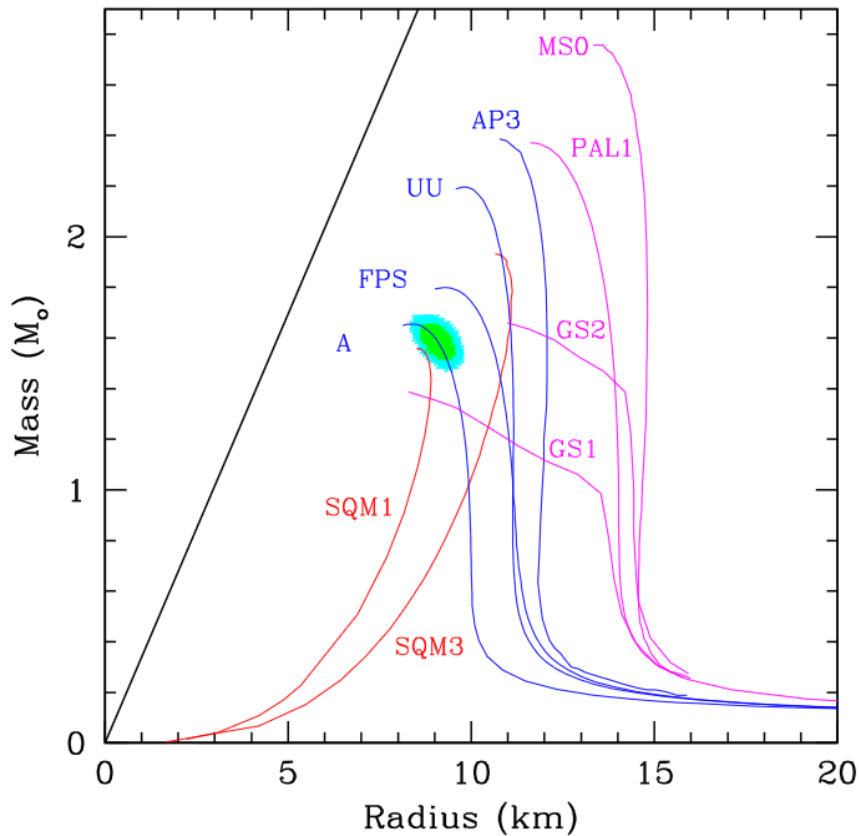
Limits on the EoS from EXO 0748-676



Stiff EoS are better.
Many EoS for strange matter are rejected.
But not all! (see discussion in Nature).

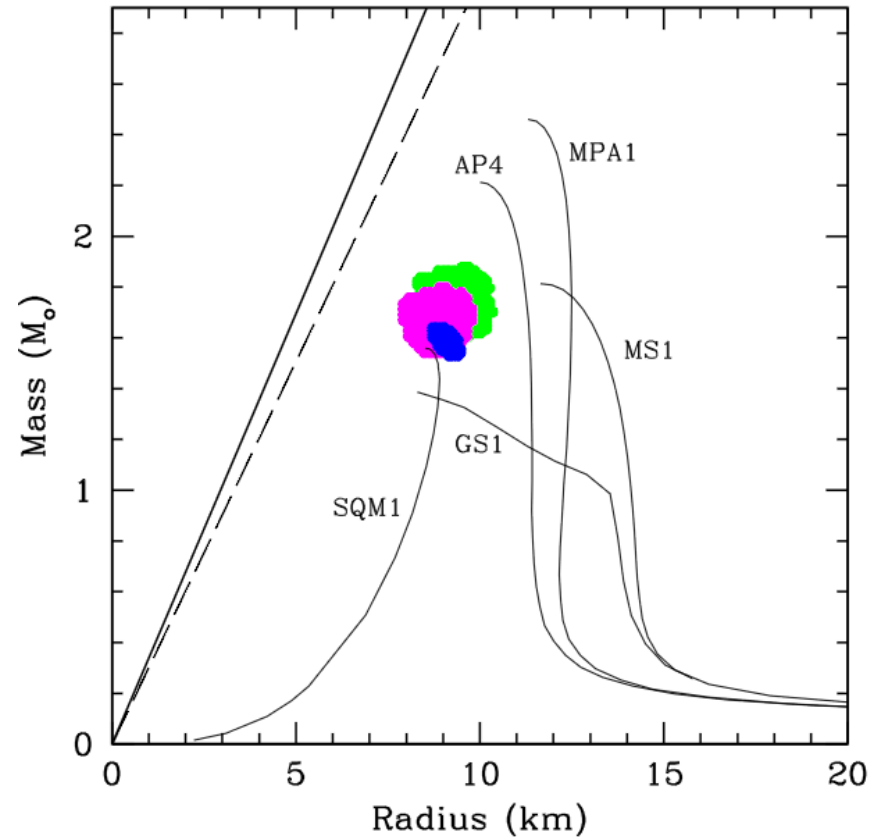
X- hydrogen fraction
in the accreted material

Some optimistic estimates



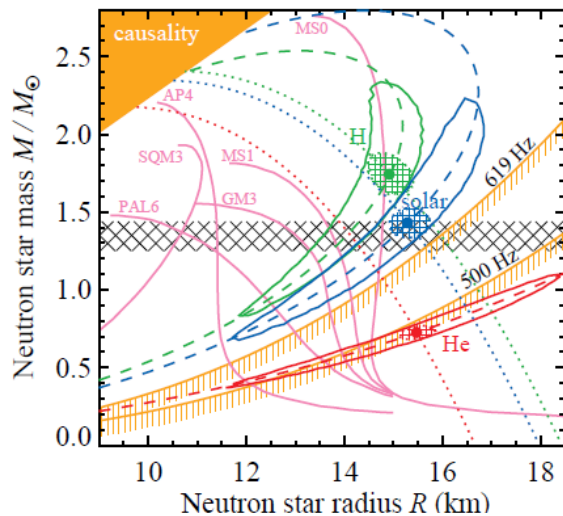
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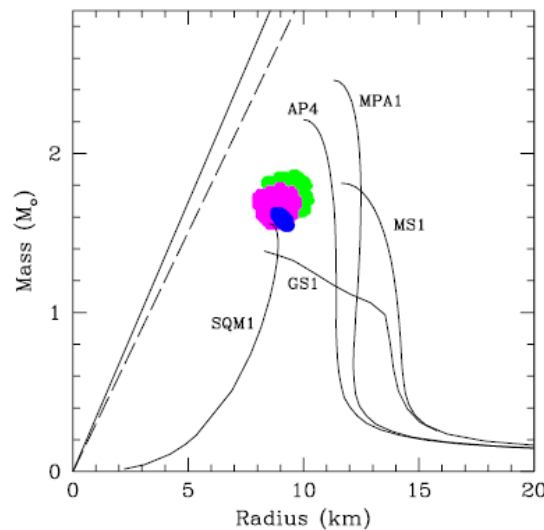


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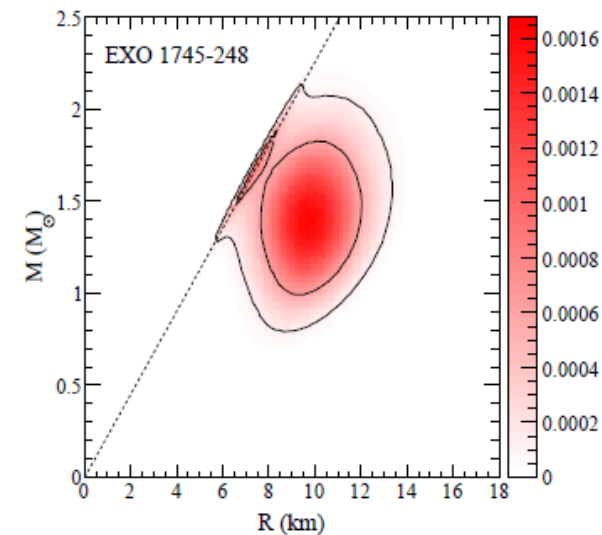
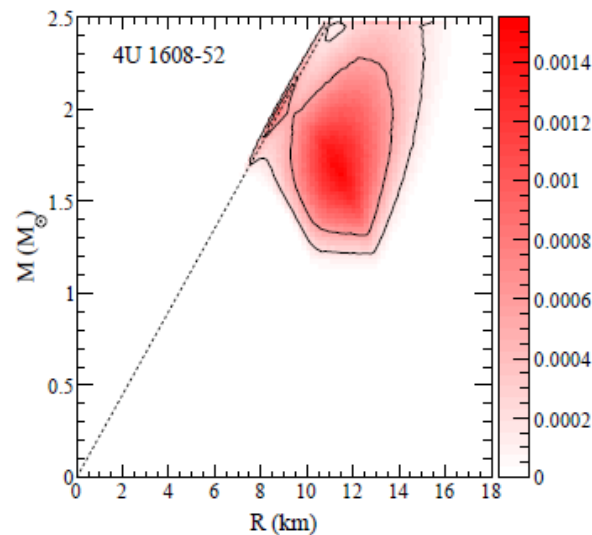
Pessimistic estimates



1004.4871



1005.0811



It seems that Ozel et al. underestimate different uncertainties and make additional assumptions.

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Radius measurement

Fitting X-ray spectrum of a low-mass X-ray binary in quiescent state.

Mostly sources in globular clusters.

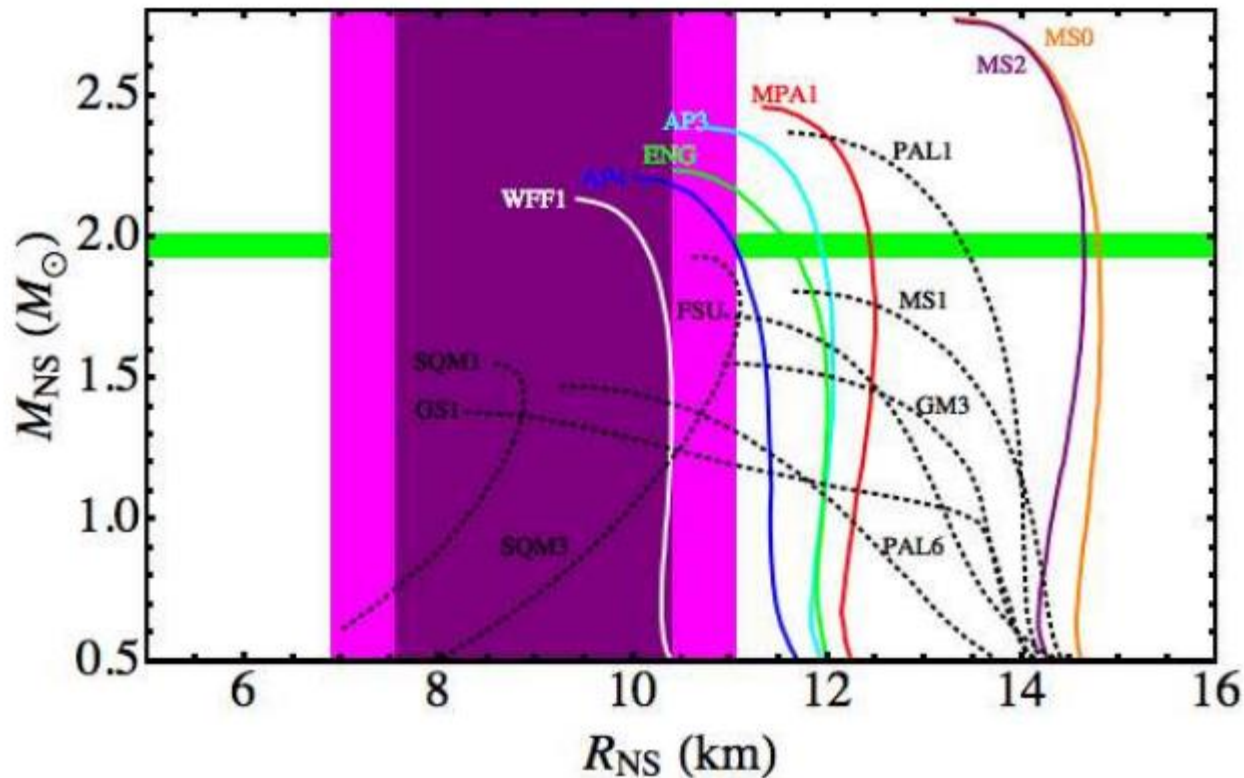
For 4 objects $\sim 10\%$ precision. But this is for fixed mass.

For U24 in NGC 6397 $R_{\text{NS}} = 8.9^{+0.9}_{-0.6}$ km for 1.4 solar masses.

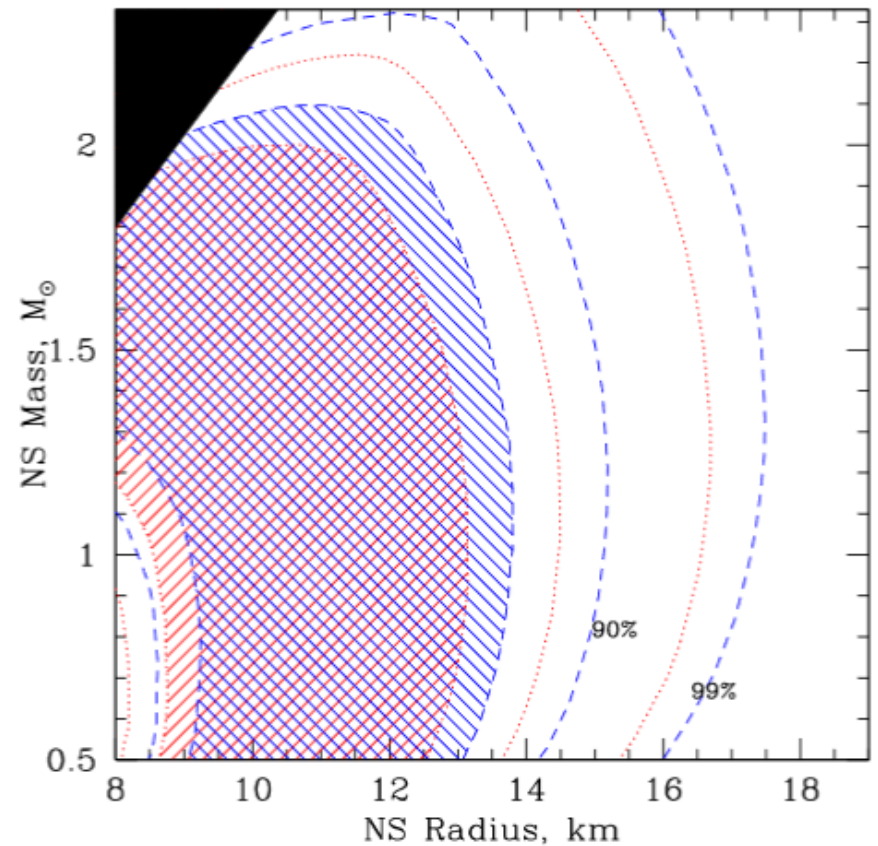
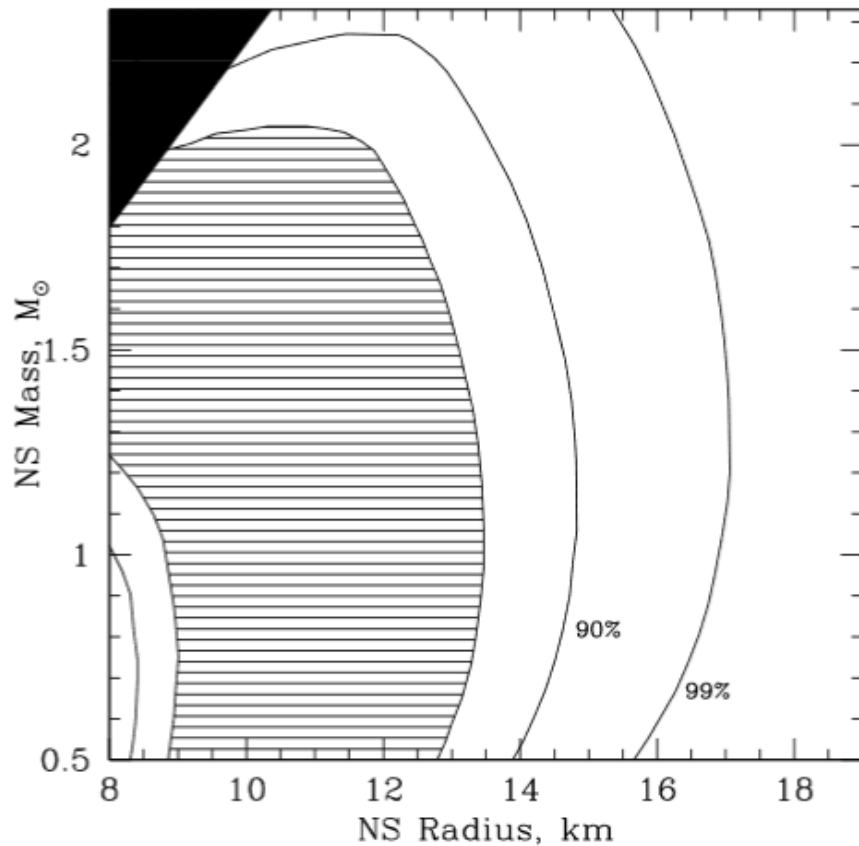
For the radius observed from infinity: $11.9^{+2.2}_{-2.5}$ km

Radii measurements for qLMXBs in GCs

5 sources

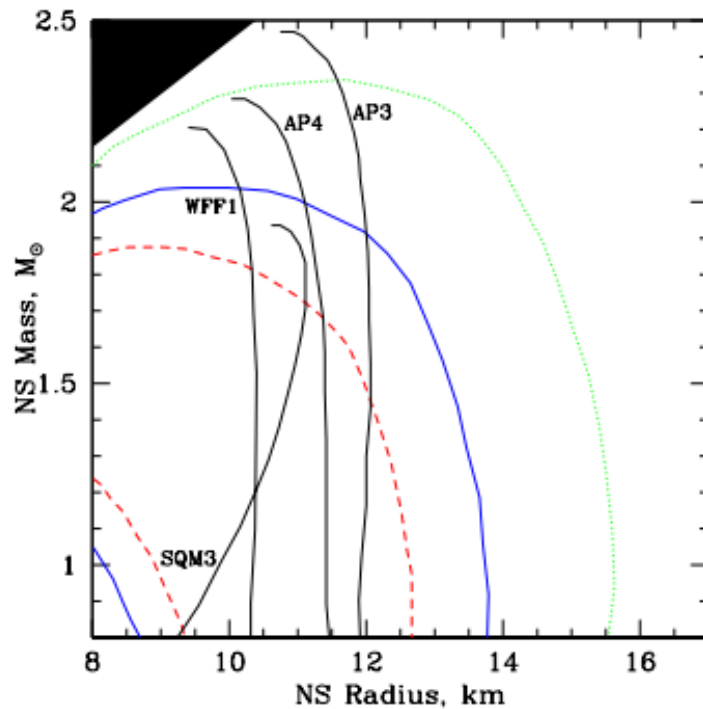


Distance uncertainty

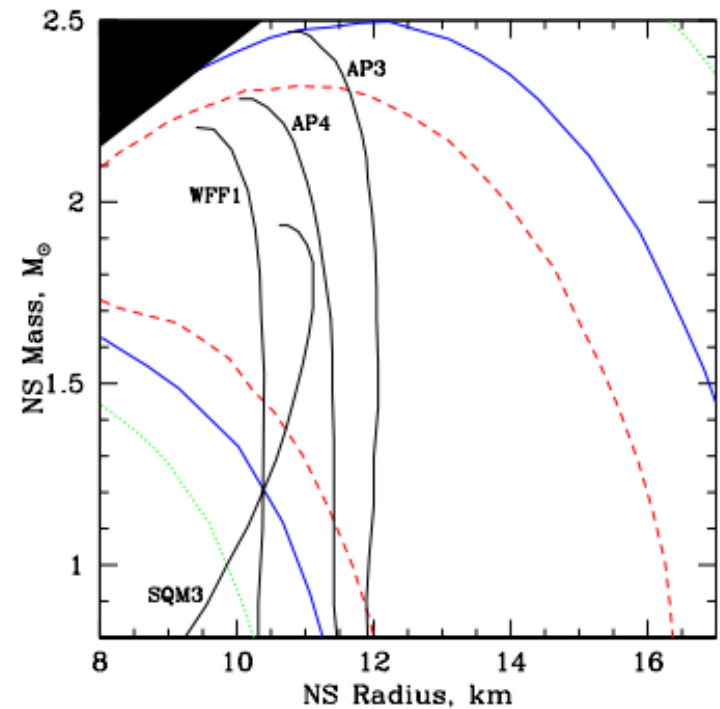


Atmospheric uncertainties

qLMXB in M13

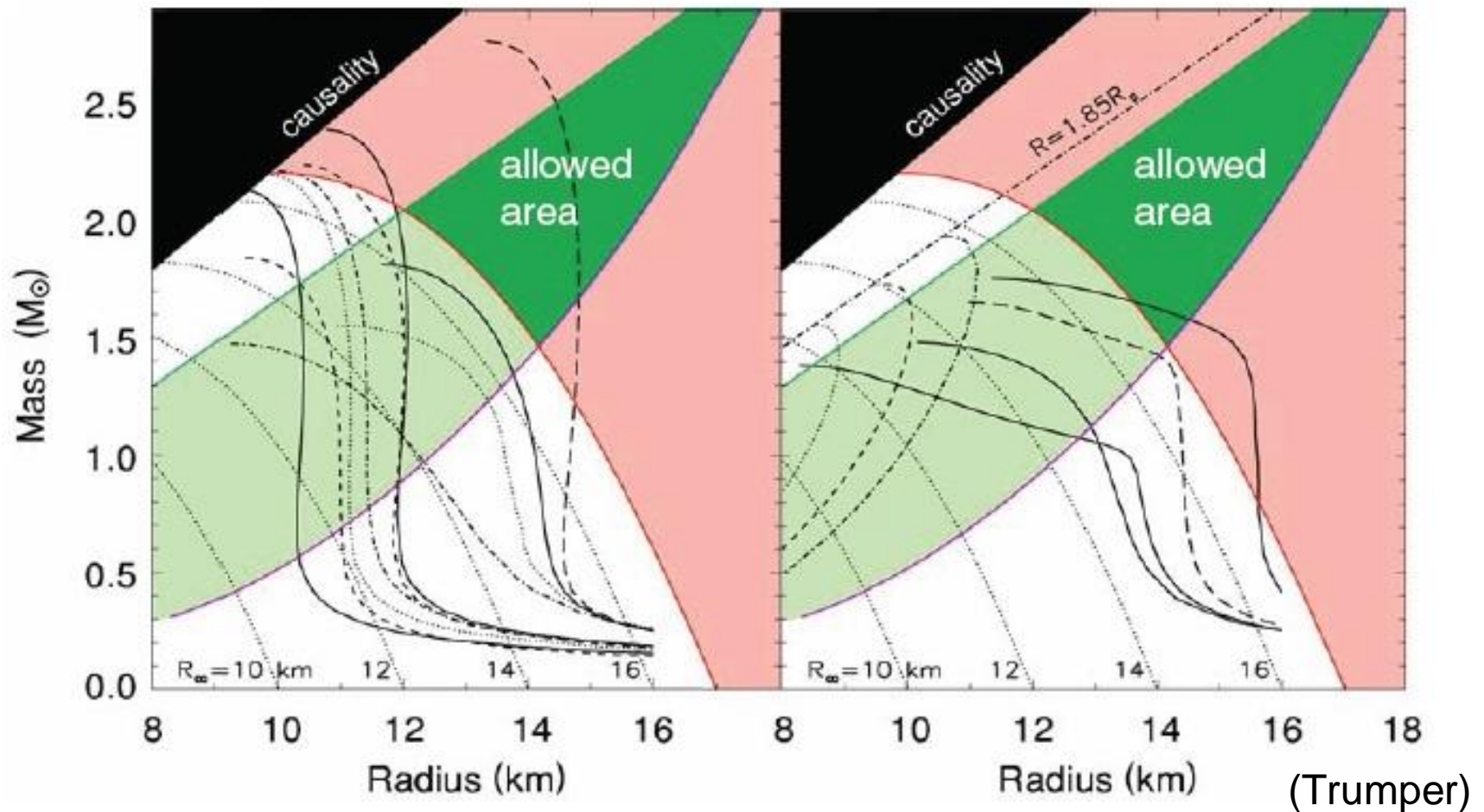


Hydrogene



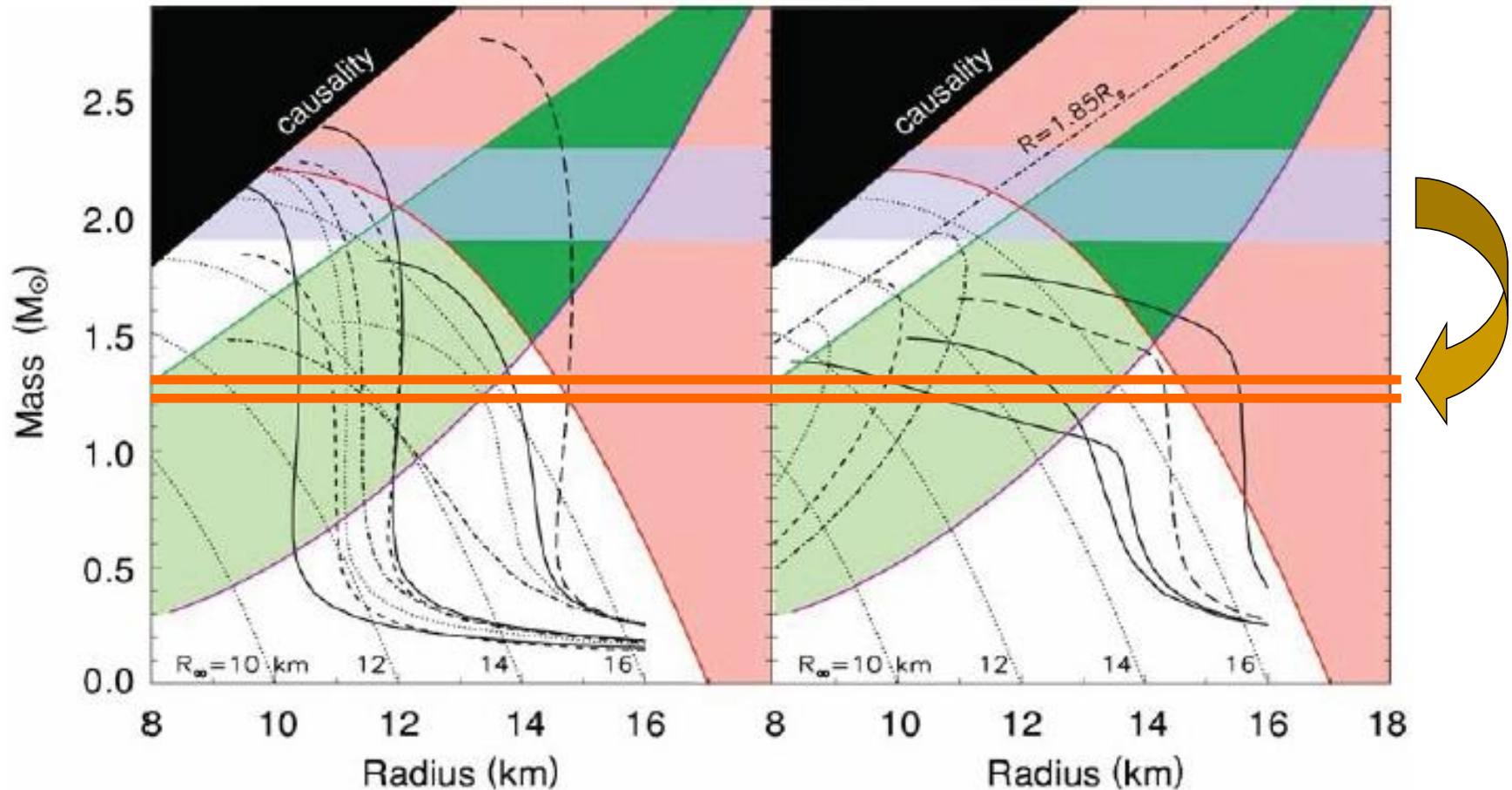
Helium

Limits from RX J1856



About M7 for constraints on the EoS see 1111.0447

PSR 0751+1807



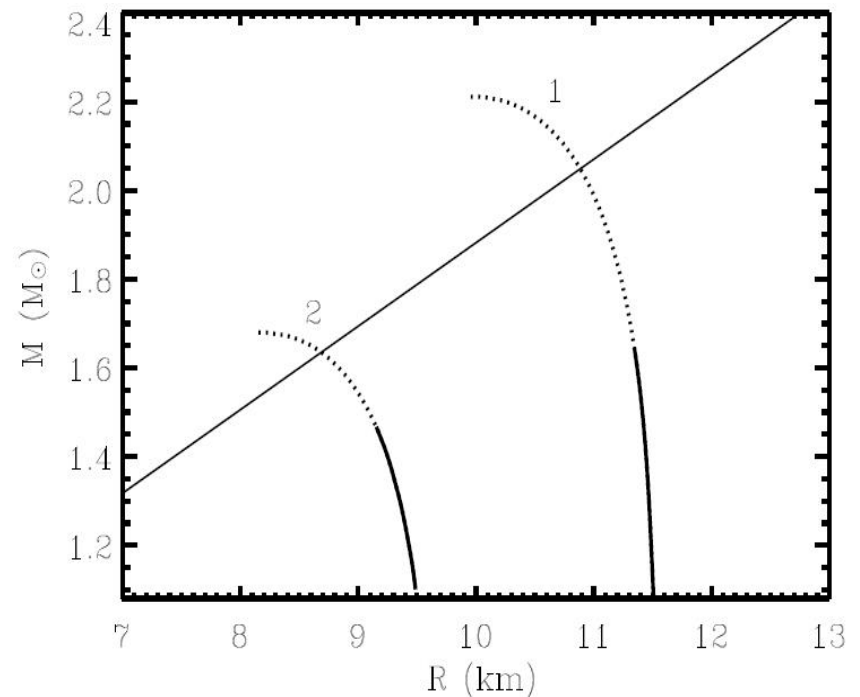
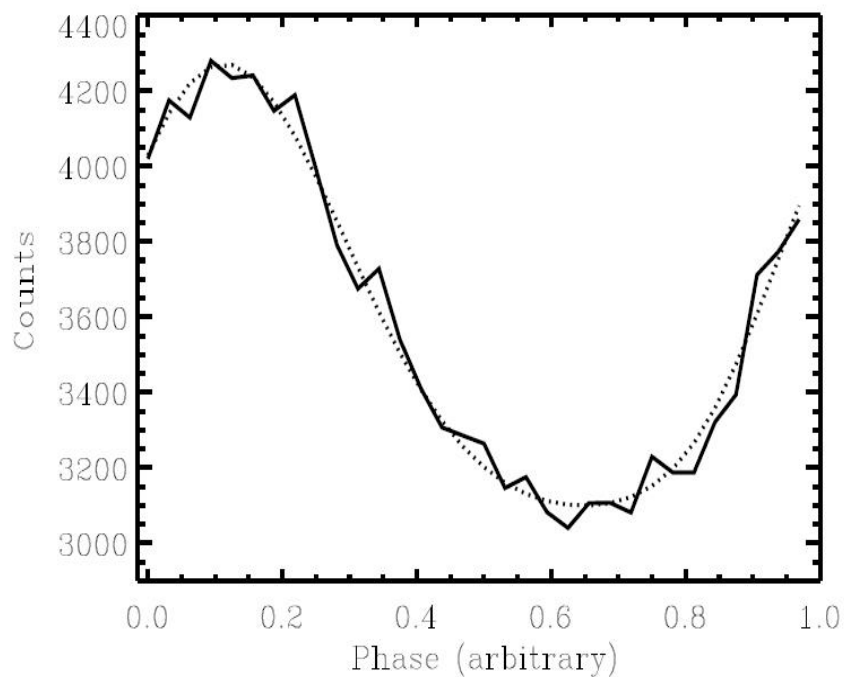
Massive NS: 2.1 ± 0.3 solar masses – Now shown to be wrong (!)
[see Nice et al. 2008]

(Trumper)

Burst oscillations

Fitting light curves of X-ray bursts.

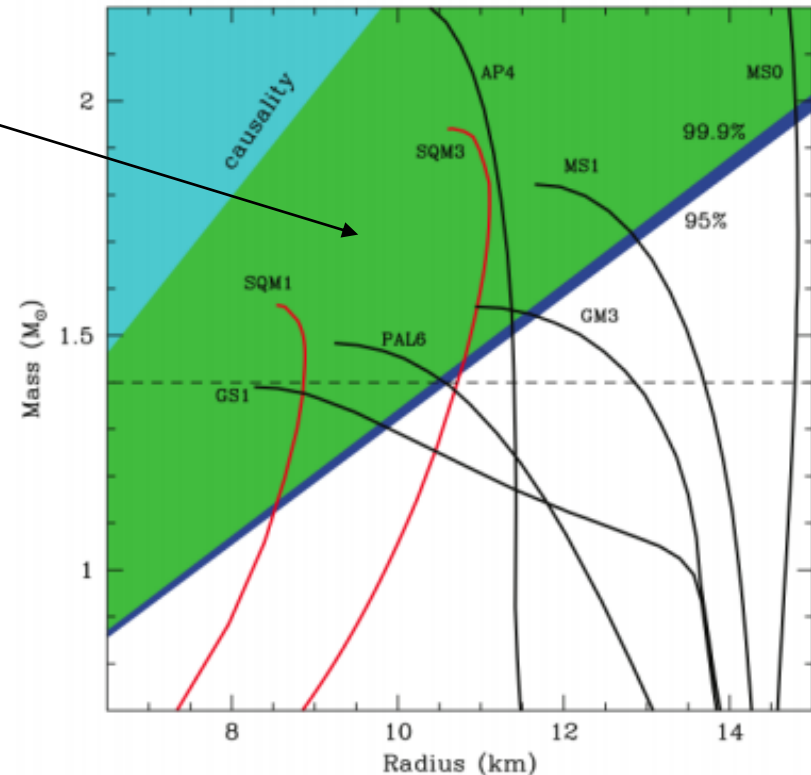
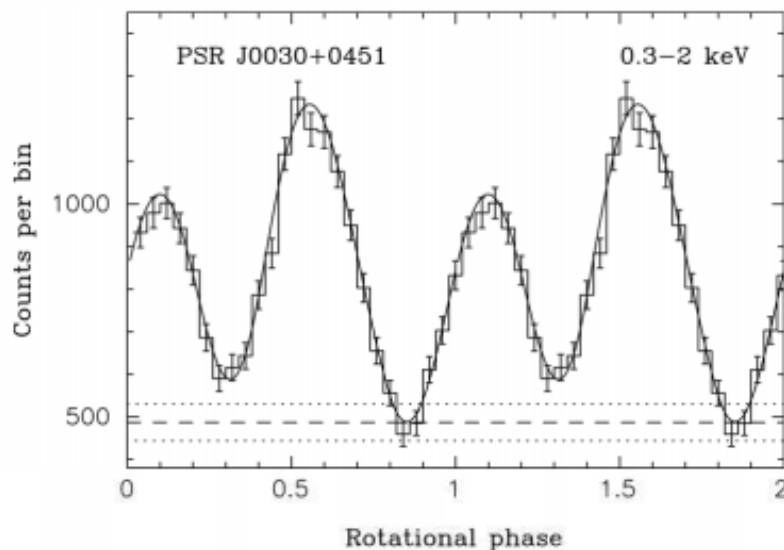
$Rc^2/GM > 4.2$ for the neutron star in XTE J1814-338



Pulse profile constraints

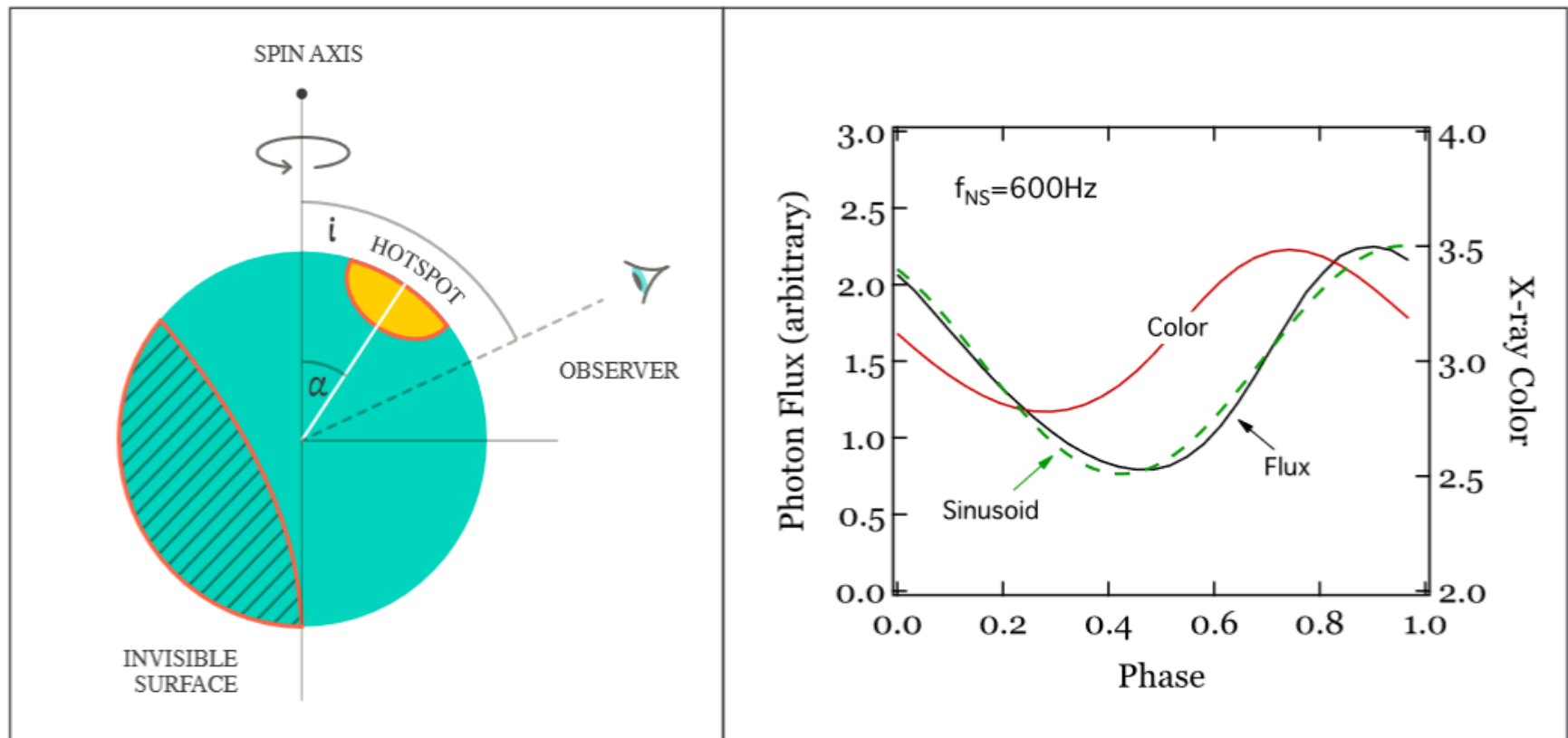
The idea is that: sharp pulses are possible only in the case of a large star

Green – excluded region



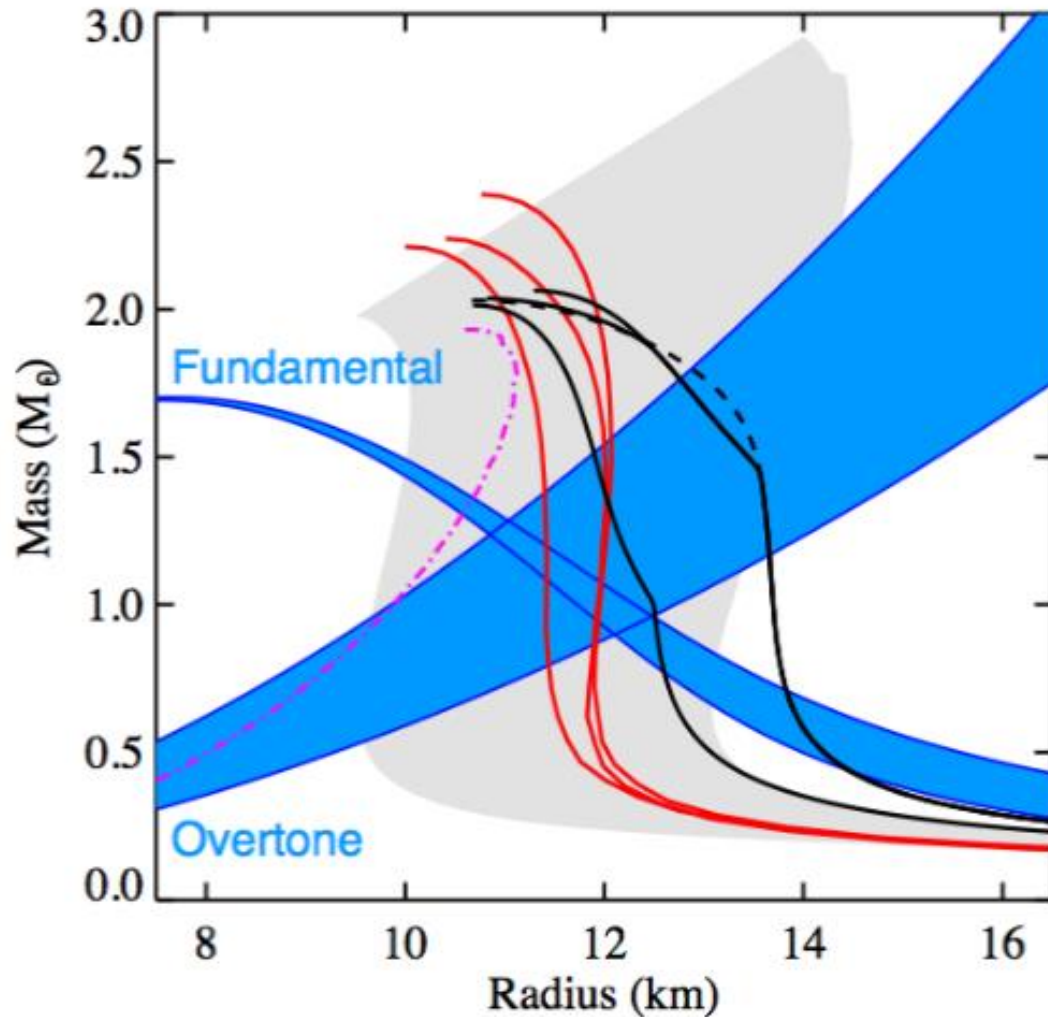
Based on Bogdanov, Grindlay 2009

Hot spots and pulse profiles



As the neutron star rotates, emission from a surface hotspot generates a pulsation. The figure shows observer inclination i , and hotspot inclination α . The invisible surface is smaller than a hemisphere due to relativistic light-bending.

Astroseismology

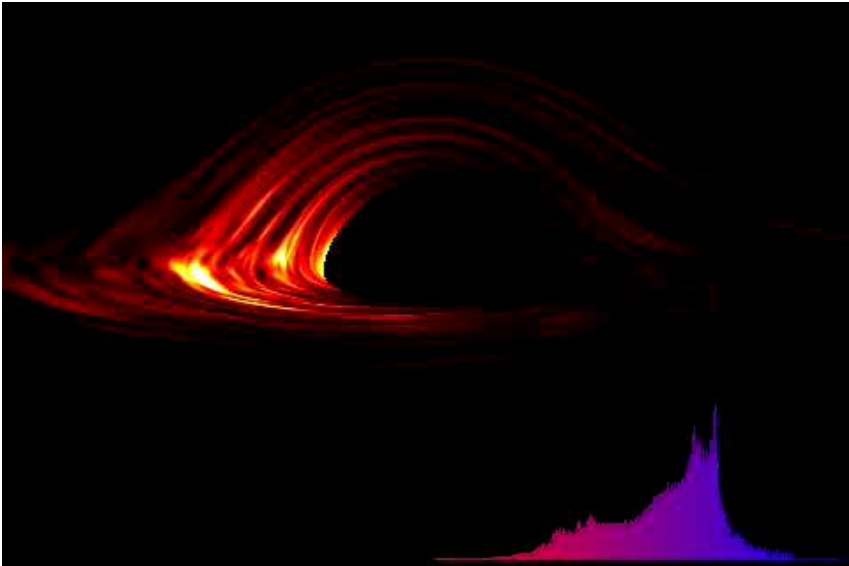


M – R diagram showing the seismological constraints for the soft gamma-ray repeater SGR 1806–20 using the relativistic torsional crust oscillation model of Samuelsson and Andersson (2007), in which the 29 Hz QPO is identified as the fundamental and the 625 Hz QPO as the first radial overtone. The neutron star lies in the box where the constraints from the two frequency bands overlap.

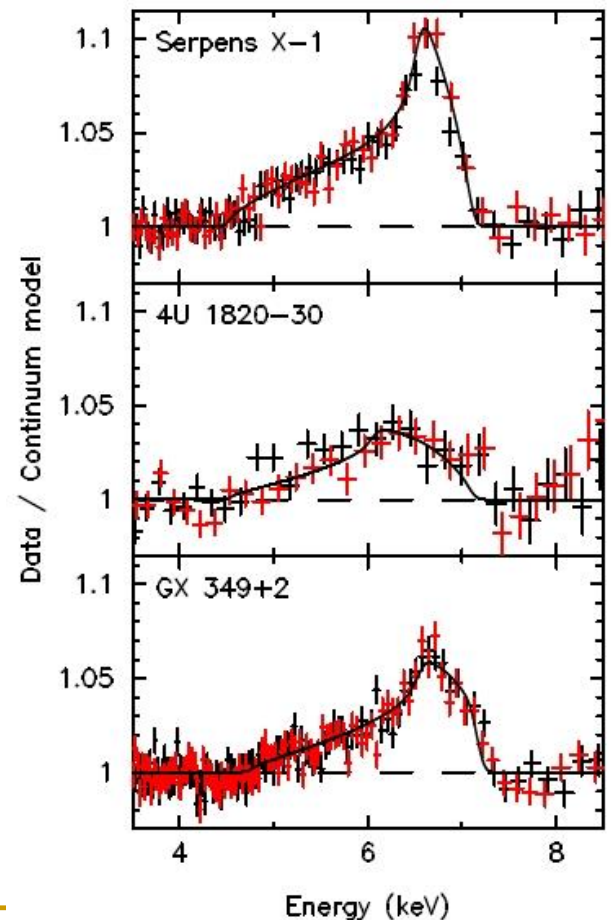
This is a simplified model. More detailed are in progress.

Fe K lines from accretion discs

Measurements of the inner disc radius provide upper limits on the NS radius.



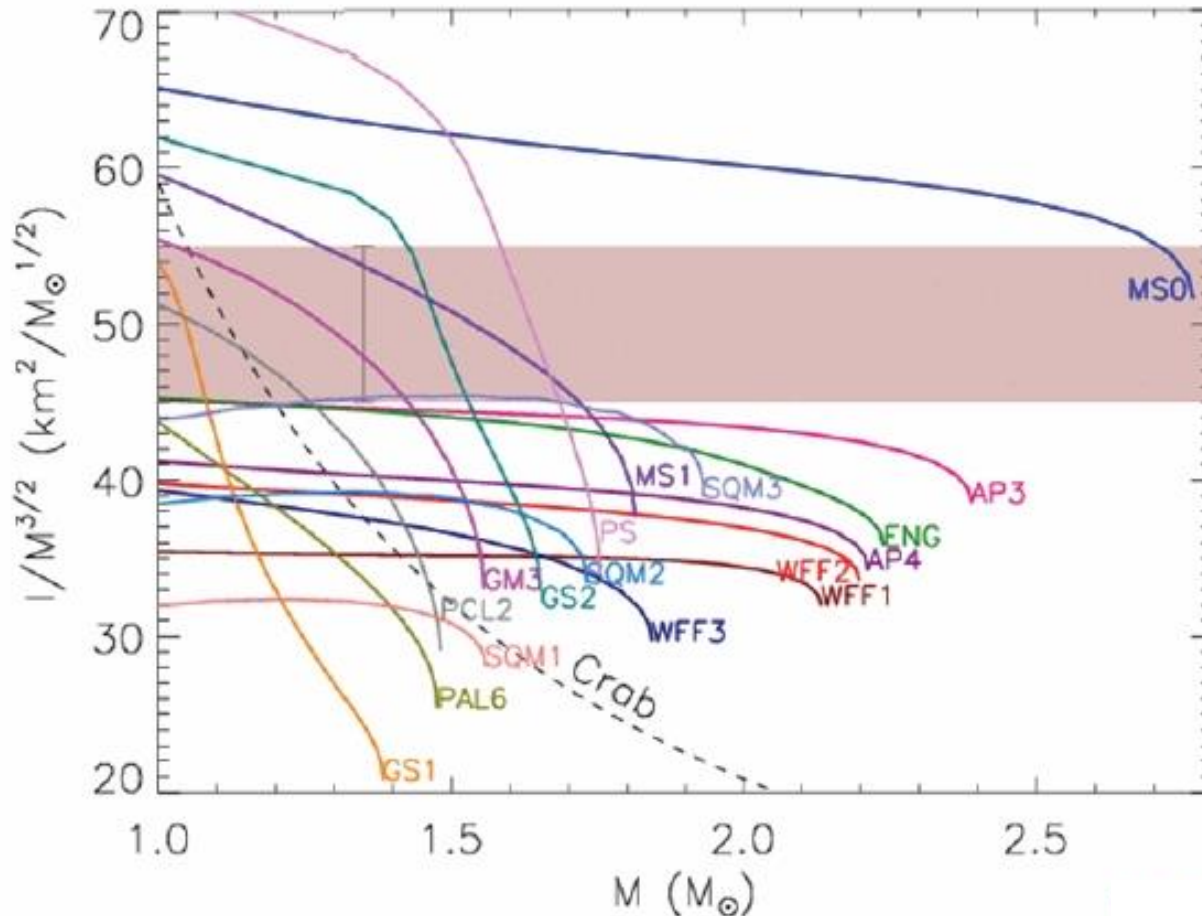
Ser X-1 $<15.9 \pm 1$
4U 1820-30 $<13.8^{+2.9}_{-1.4}$
GX 349+2 $<16.5 \pm 0.8$
(all estimates for 1.4 solar mass NS)
[Cackett et al. arXiv: 0708.3615]



Suzaku observations

See also Papitto et al. arXiv: 0812.1149,
a review in Cackett et al. 0908.1098, and theory in 1109.2068.

Limits on the moment of inertia



Spin-orbital interaction

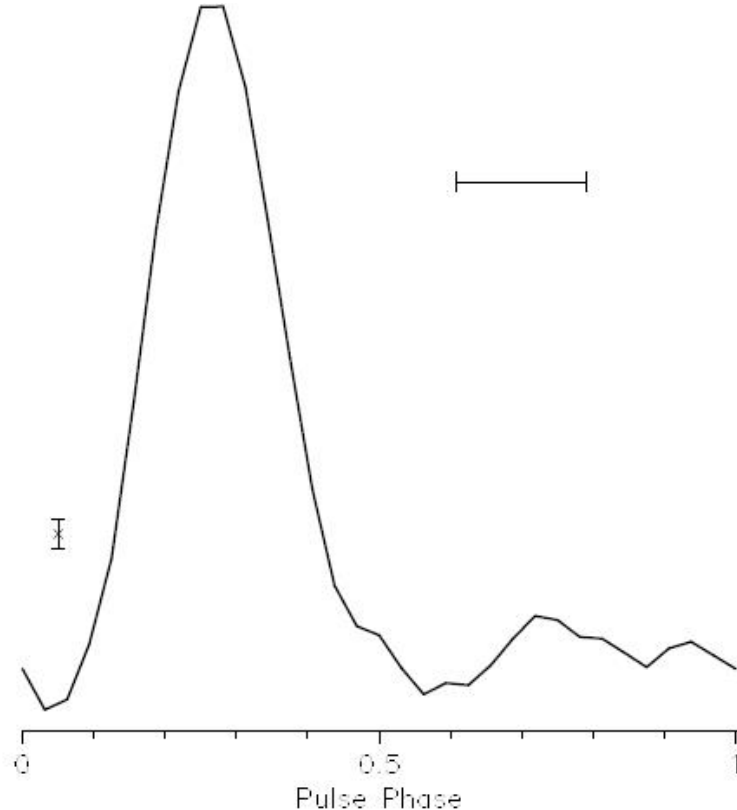
PSR J0737-3039
(see Lattimer, Schutz
astro-ph/0411470)

The band refers to a
hypothetical 10% error.
This limit, hopefully,
can be reached in
several years of observ.

See a more detailed
discussion in 1006.3758

Most rapidly rotating PSR

716-Hz eclipsing binary radio pulsar in the globular cluster Terzan 5



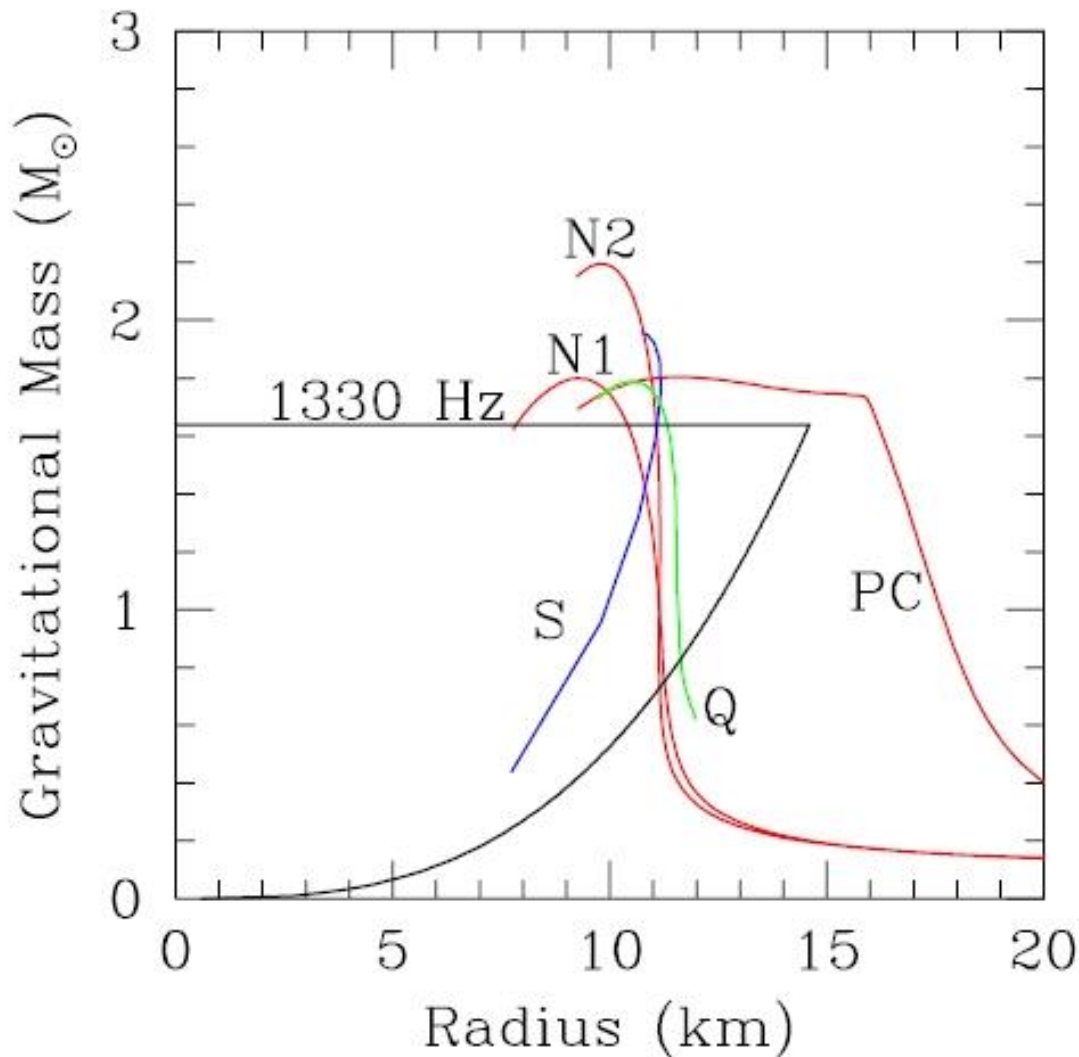
Previous record
(642-Hz pulsar B1937+21)
survived for more than 20 years.

**Interesting calculations
for rotating NS have been
performed recently by Krastev et al.
arXiv: 0709.3621**

Rotation starts to be important
from periods ~ 3 msec.

([Jason W.T. Hessels](#) et al. astro-ph/0601337)

QPO and rapid rotation



XTE J1739-285

1122 Hz

[P. Kaaret](#) et al.

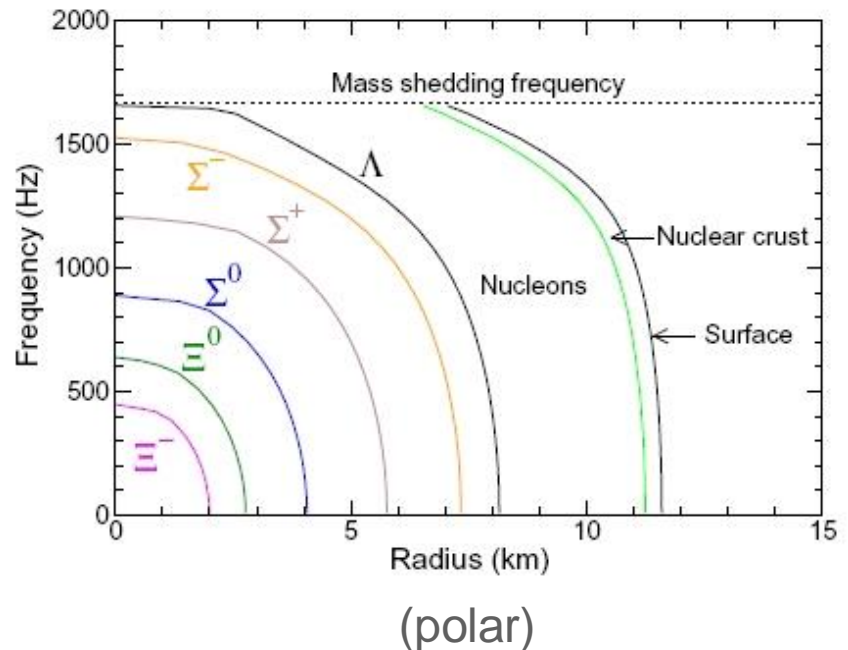
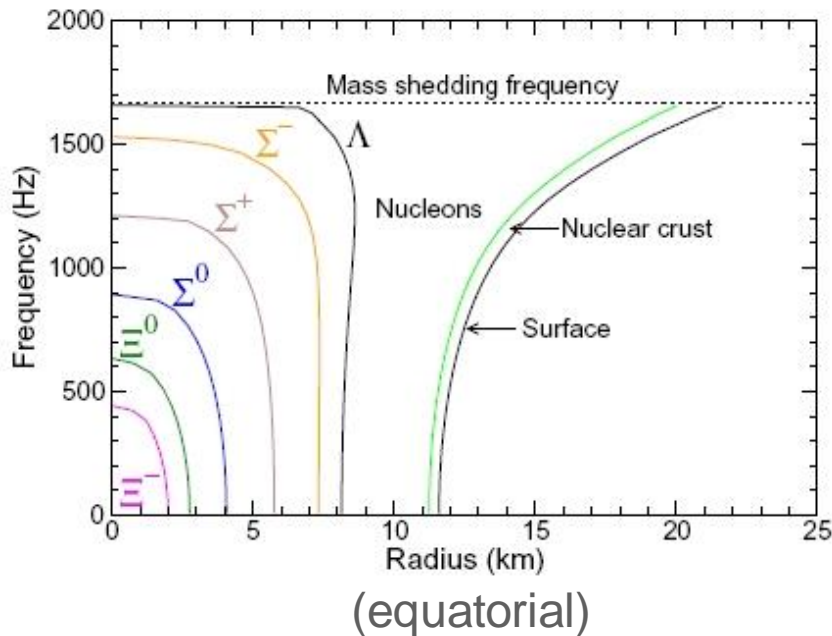
[astro-ph/0611716](#)

1330 Hz – one of the highest QPO frequency

The line corresponds to the interpretation, that the frequency is that of the last stable orbit, $6GM/c^2$

(Miller [astro-ph/0312449](#))

Rotation and composition

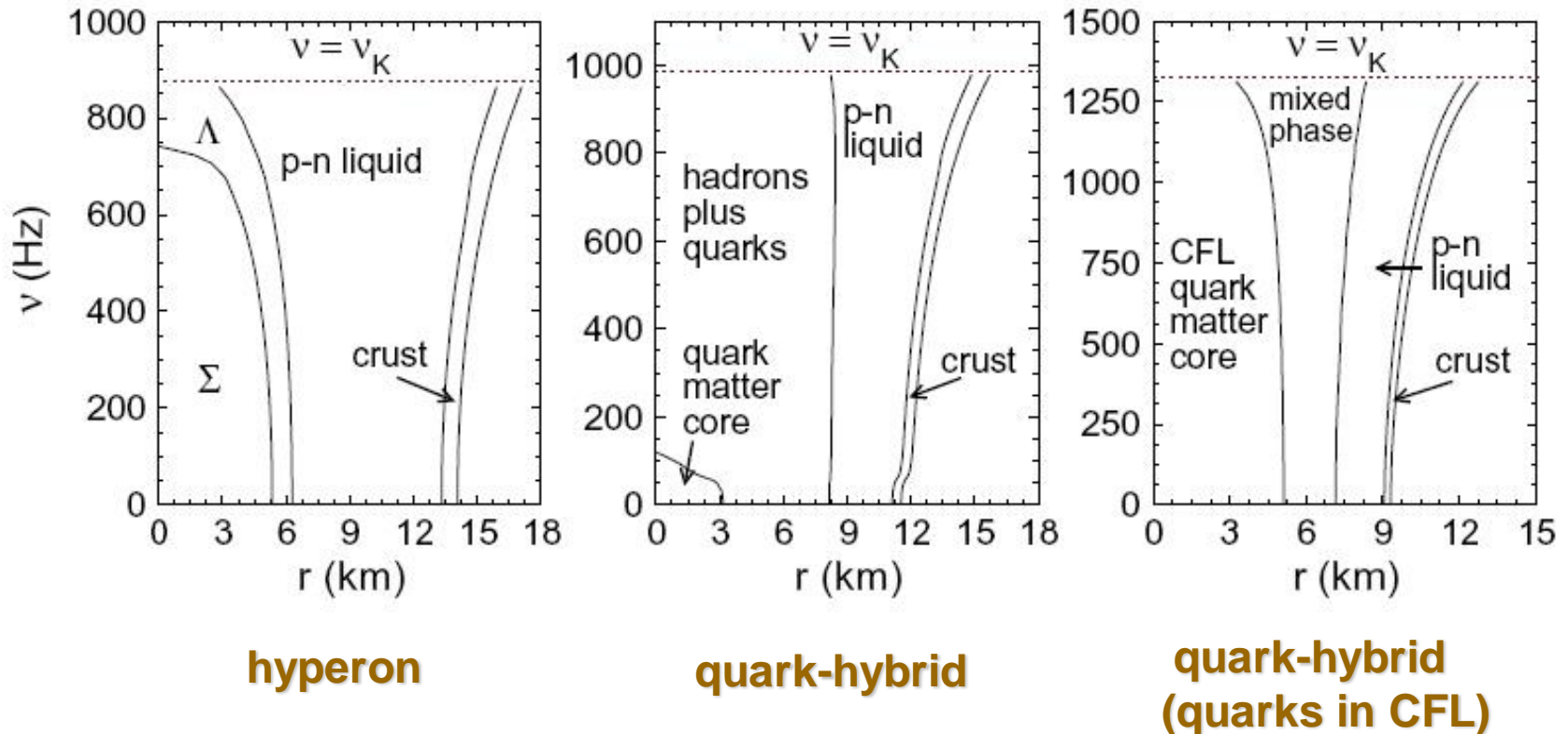


Computed for a particular model:
density dependent relativistic Brueckner-Hartree-Fock (DD-RBHF)

(Weber et al. arXiv: 0705.2708)

Detailed study of the influence of rotation onto structure and composition is given in 1307.1103

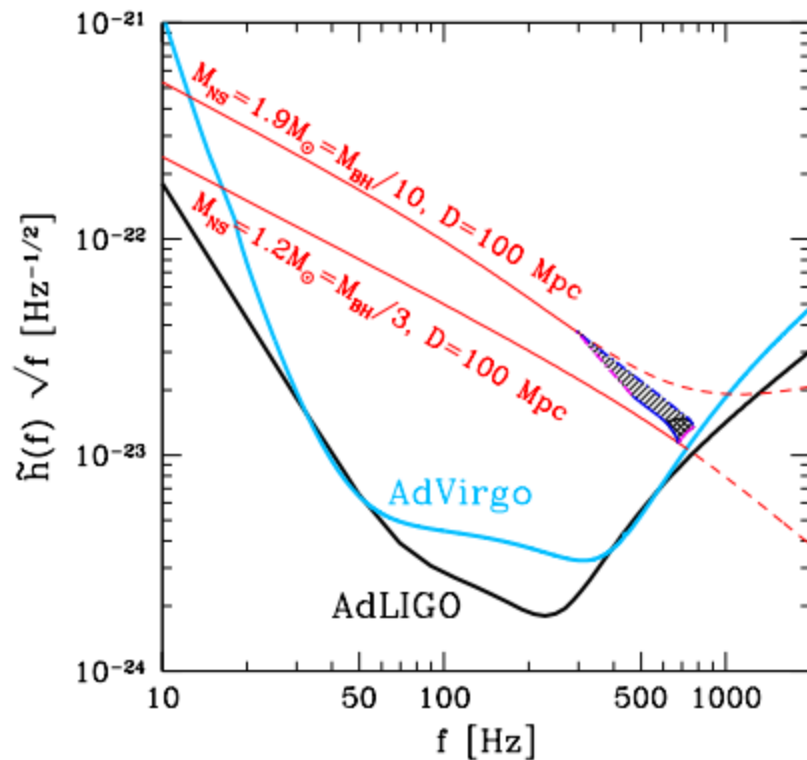
Rotation and composition



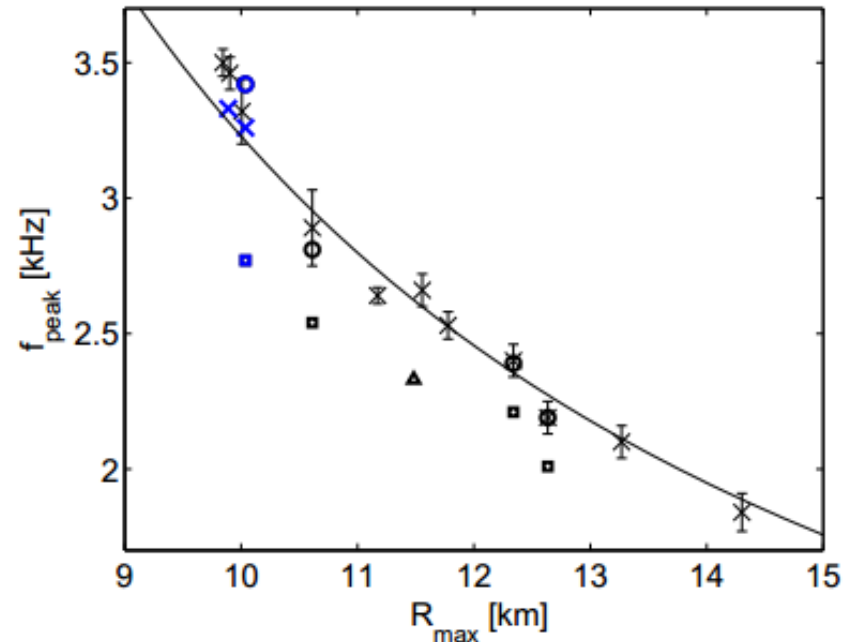
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1.4 solar mass NS (when non-rotating)

Limits on the EoS from GW observations



For stiff EoS AdLIGO and AdVIRGO can detect signatures in the GW signal during BH-NS mergers.

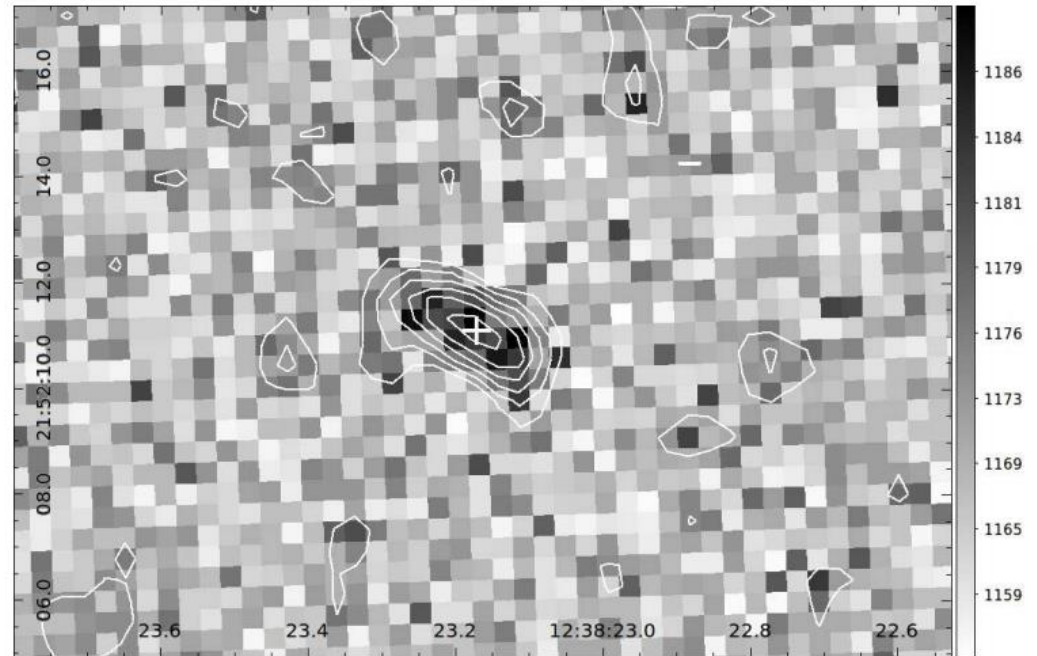


Measuring NS-NS mergers one can better constraint the EoS.

Microlensing and weak lensing

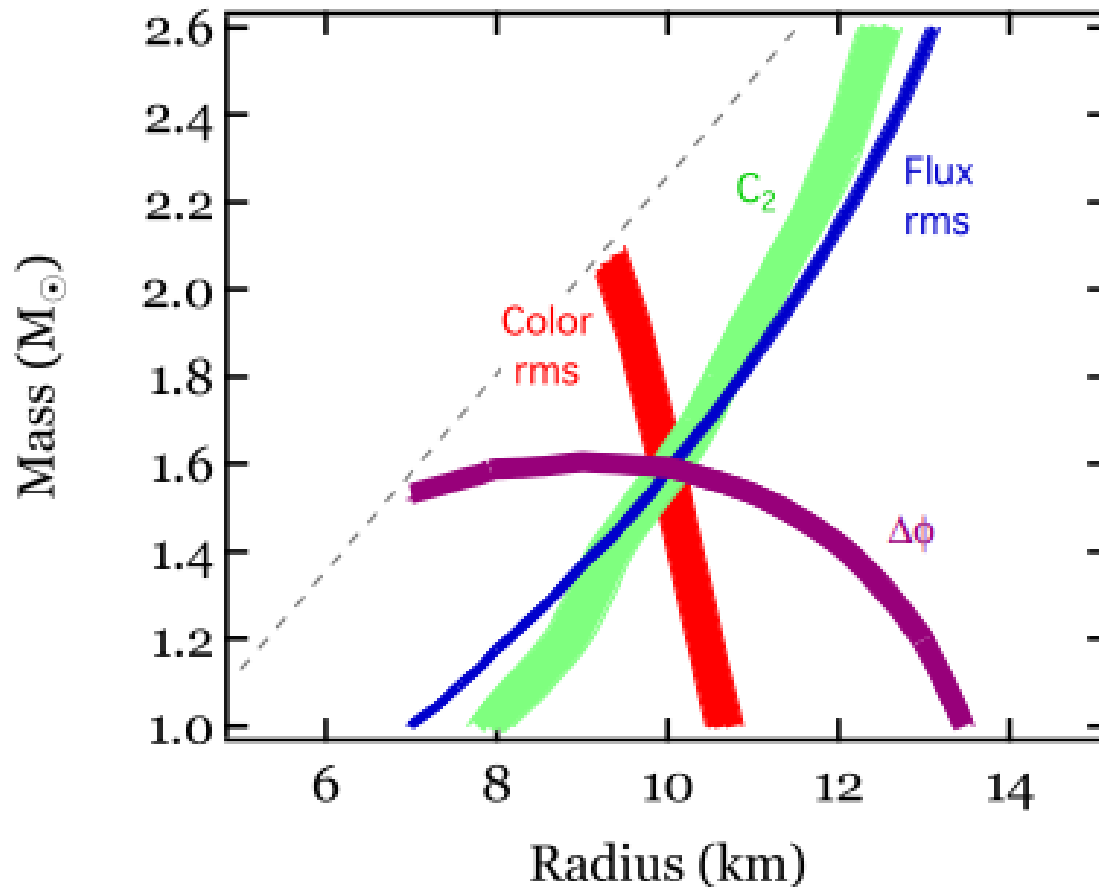
In the future (maybe already with Gaia)
it can possible to determine NS mass with lensing.

Different techniques can be discussed:
photometric (normal) microlensing (1009.0005),
astrometric microlensing, weak lensing (1209.2249).



1209.2249

Future X-ray measurements



Valid for future observations aboard NICER and LOFT space projects.

Data based on pulse profile.

The idea is to observe X-ray pulsars with spin periods ~few msec and to collect about 10^6 counts.

It allows to derive from the pulse profile a lot of info about a NS.

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The review about different kinds of measurements, including radio pulsars.
Recent lists of mass measurements for different NSs.
 - Measuring the neutron star equation of state using X-ray timing 1602.01081
The review about EoS and X-ray measurements
 - The masses and spins of neutron stars and stellar-mass black holes 1408.4145
The review covers several topics. Good brief description of radio pulsar mass measurements.
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