

Oscillations of BHs & Stars

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“The aim of this workshop is to bring together world experts in two extremely active and successful, but up to now essentially disjoint, research fields: numerical relativity and high energy physics. ...”

Stellar oscillations provide an examples of how general relativity, its numerical implementations, and some fundamental issues in high energy physics are parts of a problem which is, by its own nature, interdisciplinary.

I will investigate compact object oscillations using gravitational radiation as a probe.

Remind: some basic results of the theory of black hole perturbations

Perturbations of Schwarzschild black holes

$$\frac{d^2 Z_\ell^\pm}{dr_*^2} + [\omega^2 - V_\ell(r)] Z_\ell^\pm = 0$$

$$r_* = r + 2M \log(r/2M - 1)$$

$$V_\ell^-(r) = \frac{1}{r^3} \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r} \right) [\ell(\ell + 1)r - 6M]$$

Regge & Wheeler 1957

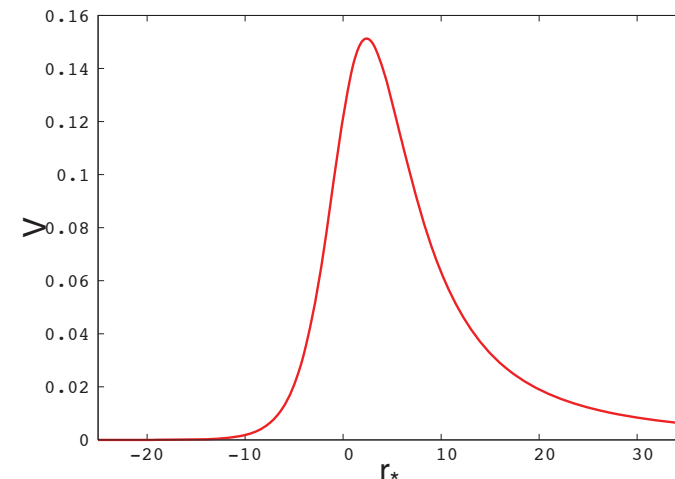
$$V_\ell^+(r) = \frac{2(r - 2M)}{r^4(nr + 3M)^2} [n^2(n + 1)r^3 + 3Mn^2r^2 + 9M^2nr + 9M^3]$$

F. Zerilli 1970

$$n = (\ell + 1)(\ell - 2)/2$$

Z_ℓ^\pm

- axial (odd) perturbations
+ polar (even) perturbations



A wave equation also for the perturbations of Kerr black holes

$$\Delta R_{lm,rr} + 2(s+1)(r-M)R_{lm,r} + V(\omega, r)R_{lm} = 0$$
$$\Delta = r^2 - 2Mr + a^2$$

S.Teukolsky 1972 Phys. Rev. Lett. 29, 1114

S.Teukolsky 1973 Ap. J. 185, 635

$$\psi_s(t, r, \theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int e^{-i\omega t} \sum_{l=|s|}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l e^{im\varphi} S_{lm}(\cos \theta) R_{lm}(r) d\omega$$

$S_{lm}(\cos \theta)$ satisfies the equations of the oblate spheroidal harmonics

s is the spin-weight parameter, $s=0, \pm 1, \pm 2$,
for scalar, electromagnetic and gravitational perturbations

the potential is complex and depends on m and on frequency

$$V(\omega, r) = \frac{1}{\Delta} [(r^2 + a^2)^2 \omega^2 - 4aMr m \omega + a^2 m^2 +$$
$$+ 2is(am(r - M) - M\omega(r^2 - a^2))] + [2is\omega r - a^2 \omega^2 - A_{lm}]$$

- ◆ Black hole perturbations are described by wave equations, with one-dimensional potential barrier generated by the spacetime curvature
- ◆ Black hole perturbations can be studied as a scattering problem.
- ◆ Black holes oscillate at some characteristic, complex frequencies: the **Quasi-Normal Mode frequencies**.

Standard methods used in quantum mechanics can be used to find the quasi-normal mode frequencies: they are the singularities of the scattering cross-section associated the wave equation

In quantum mechanics the equation which expresses the symmetry and unitarity of the S-matrix

$$|R|^2 + |T|^2 = 1$$

is an **energy conservation law**: if a wave of unitary amplitude is incident on one side of the potential barrier, it gives rise to a **reflected** and a **transmitted** wave such that the sum of the square of their amplitudes is still one.

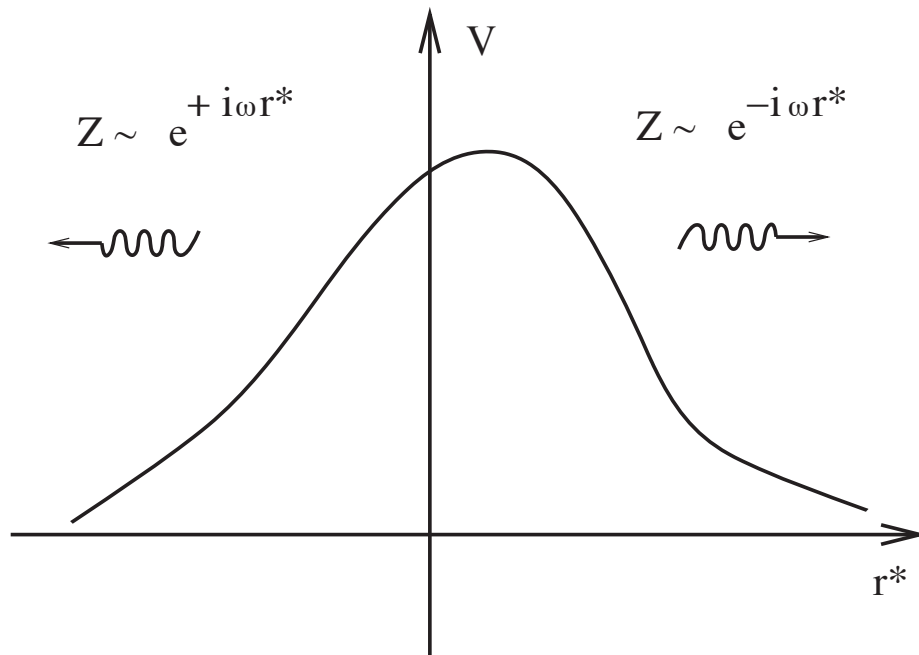
This conservation law is a consequence of the constancy of the Wronskian of pairs of independent solutions of the Schroedinger equation.

Same is for black holes: the constancy of the Wronskian of two independent solutions of the black holes wave equation, allows to write the same equation relating the reflection and transmission coefficients of the potential barrier.

Energy conservation also governs phenomena involving gravitational waves emitted by perturbed black holes.

Black hole Quasi-Normal modes

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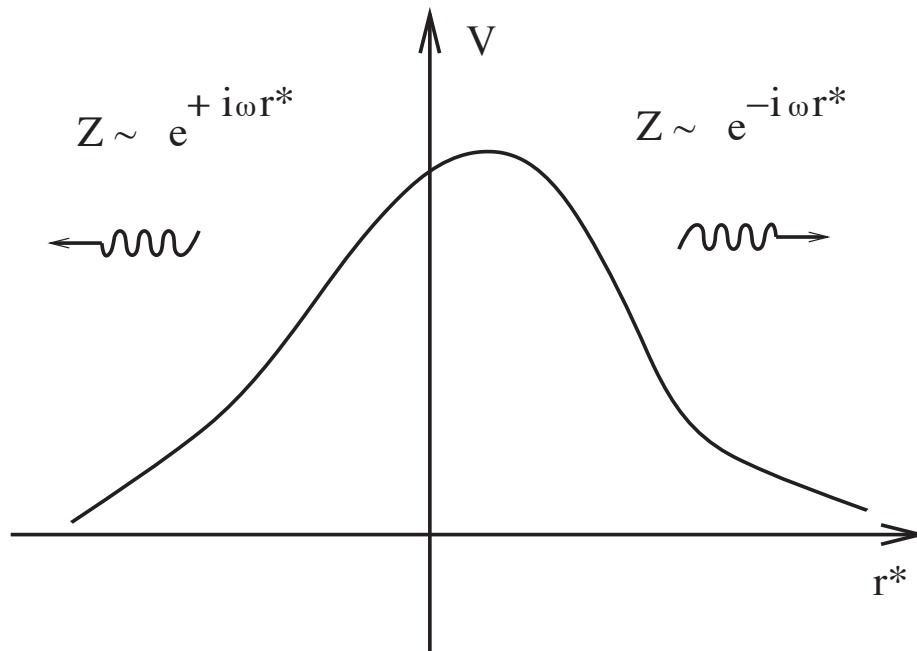
$$\omega_k + i 1/\tau_k$$

$Z_\ell^\pm \rightarrow e^{i\omega r_*}, \quad r_* \rightarrow -\infty, \quad (\text{pure ingoing wave at the black hole horizon})$

$Z_\ell^\pm \rightarrow e^{-i\omega r_*}, \quad r_* \rightarrow +\infty, \quad (\text{pure outgoing wave at infinity})$

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When the black hole oscillates in these modes, the solution at radial infinity is a **damped, outgoing wave**

$$Z_\ell^\pm \rightarrow A_\ell e^{i\omega_k(t-r_*)} \equiv A_\ell e^{-\frac{(t-r_*)}{\tau_k}} e^{i\omega_k(t-r_*)},$$

Firstly calculated by Chandrasekhar & Detweiler in 1975

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The frequencies and damping times of the axial and polar quasi normal modes are equal, i.e.

Axial and Polar Quasi-Normal modes of non rotating black holes are

isospectral

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Assuming that the BH mass is n times the mass of the Sun, converting to physical units we find

For the lowest mode

$$\nu = \frac{c \times (M\omega_k)}{2\pi n M_\odot} = \frac{32.26}{n} (M\omega_k) \text{ kHz}$$

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Do the QNM-frequencies of black holes fall in the bandwidth of gravitational wave detectors?

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Virgo/LIGO bandwidth: ~ [10 Hz - (1-2) kHz]

These detectors can detect BH oscillations if the BH mass is in the range

$$10 M_{\odot} < M < 10^3 M_{\odot}$$

corresponding to a frequency in the range

$$\nu \in [12 \text{ Hz}, 1.2 \text{ kHz}]$$

(provided the signal is sufficiently strong).

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LISA bandwidth: $\sim [10^{-4} - 10^{-1} \text{ Hz}]$

LISA will see oscillating black holes with mass in the range

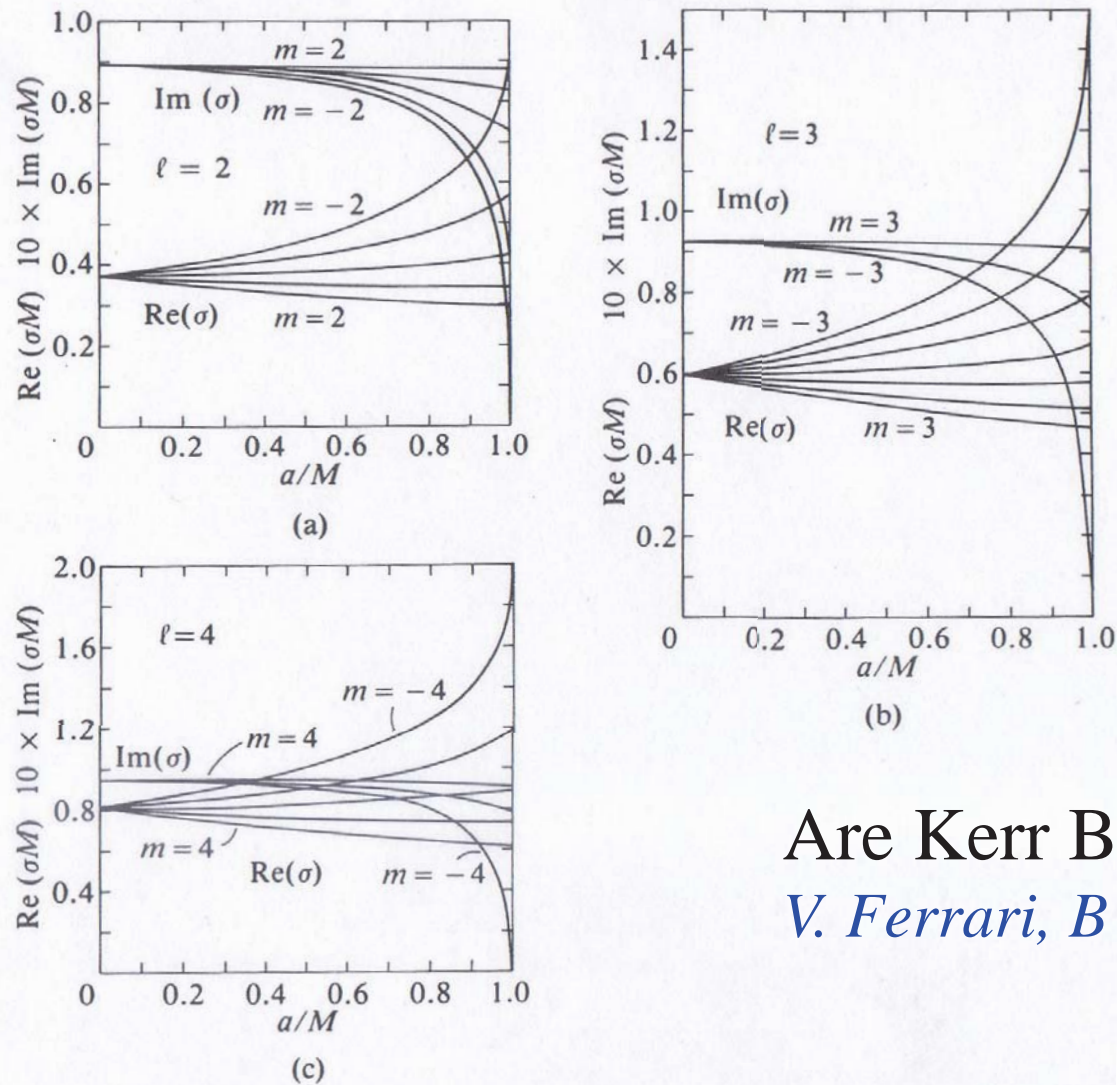
$$1.2 \cdot 10^5 M_{\odot} < M < 1.2 \cdot 10^8 M_{\odot}$$

For instance, LISA should detect signals emitted by the massive black hole at the center of our Galaxy SGR A*, whose mass is

$$M = (3.7 \pm 0.2) \cdot 10^6 M_{\odot}.$$

Kerr Quasi-Normal mode frequencies

from *S. Chandrasekhar The Mathematical Theory of Black Holes Oxford University Press 1983*



Are Kerr BH “marginally unstable”?

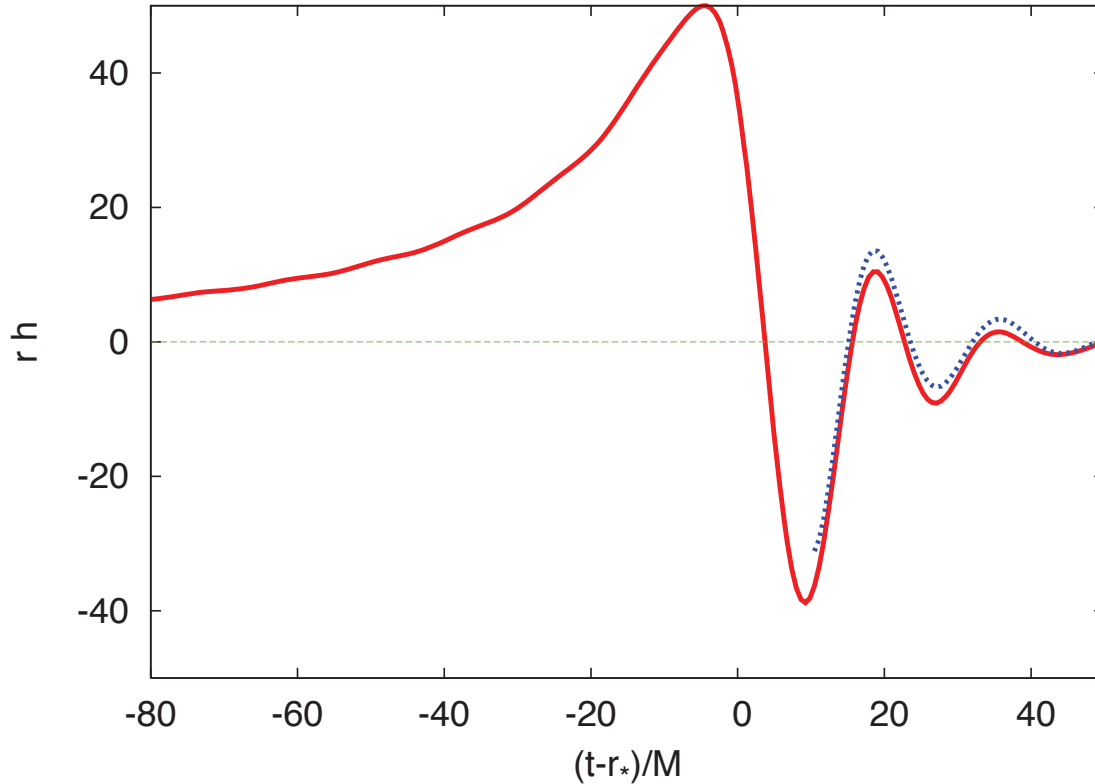
V. Ferrari, B Mashoon PRL 52, 1984,

Phys. Rev. D30 1984

FIG. 45. The real and imaginary parts of the resonant frequency of a Kerr black-hole as a function of the parameter, a , for various values of l and m . (a). The case $l=2$; for all values of m between -2 and 2 . (b). The case $l=3$; the imaginary part only for $m=-3, 0$, and 3 are illustrated. (c). The case $l=4$; the real part only for even values of m are illustrated; and the imaginary part only for $m=-4, 0$, and 4 are illustrated.

Can the QNMs be excited in astrophysical phenomena?

First numerical experiment: radial capture of a small, massive particle



The “ringing tail” appears to be a superposition of the first few QNMs

These modes are excited when the infalling mass is at distances smaller than $\sim 4 M_{\text{BH}}$

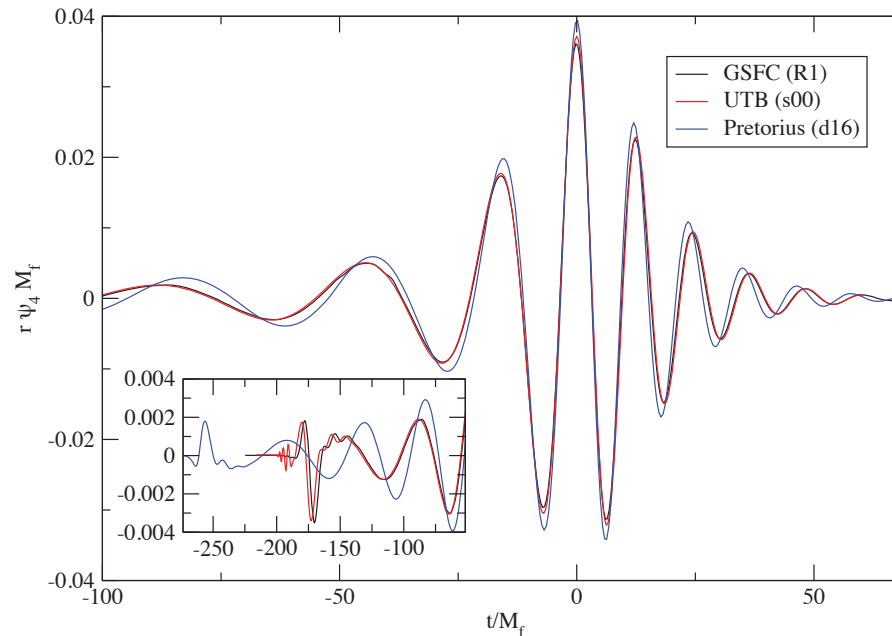
M.Davis, R.Ruffini, J.Tiomno Phys. Rev., D5, 2932 (1972)

V.Ferrari, R.Ruffini Phys. Lett. B98, 381 (1984)

The QNMs frequencies provide information on the BH spacetime in the strong field regime

NOWADAYS: Quasi-Normal Modes excitation is seen in numerical simulations of gravitational collapse to a black hole and of black hole coalescence.

Black hole coalescence



Gravitational radiation waveform emitted by two coalescing black holes

*Baker J.G., Campanelli M., Pretorius F. and Zlochower Y.,
Class. Quant. Grav., 24, S25 (2007)*

Recent developments of the theory of BH oscillations

In 2000 Horowitz and Hubeny proposed that the study of the black hole QNM's in anti-de Sitter spacetime could be useful to determine some properties of conformal field theories.

Horowitz G.T. and Hubeny V.E. 2000 Phys. Rev.D 62, 024027

Stimulated by this work, many authors computed the QNM eigenfrequencies in anti-de Sitter spacetime.

HoWang B., Lin C.Y. and Abdalla E. 2000 Phys. Lett. B 481, 79;

Wang B., Molina C. and Abdalla E. 2001 Phys. Rev. D 63, 084001;

Cardoso V. and Lemos J.P.S. 2001 Phys. Rev. D 63, 124015;

Cardoso V. and Lemos J.P.S. 2001 Phys. Rev.D 64, 084017;

Berti E. and Kokkotas K.D. 2003 Phys. Rev. D 67, 064020;

Cardoso V., Konoplya R. and Lemos J.P.S. 2003 Phys. Rev.D 68, 044024

It is worth reminding that the anti-de Sitter solution of Einstein's equations describes a universe with a negative cosmological constant; therefore these black holes should not be considered as astrophysical objects.

In 2003 Dreyer and Motl suggested that, in the asymptotic limit $n \rightarrow \infty$, black hole quasi-normal modes would allow to fix the value of the Immirzi parameter, a key parameter in loop quantum gravity.

Dreyer O. 2003 PRL 90, 081301;

Motl L. 2003 Adv. Theor. Math. Phys. 6, 1135

Following this proposal, studies of the asymptotic limit of QNM have further been developed.

Nollert H.-P. 1993 Phys. Rev. D 47, 5253;

Andersson N. 1993 Class. Quantum Grav. 10, L61;

Barreto A.S. and Zworski M. 1997 Math. Res. Lett. 4, 103;

Padmanabhan T. 2004 Class. Quantum Grav. 21, L1;

Motl L. and Neitzke A. 2003 Adv. Theor. Math. Phys. 7, 307;

Cardoso V., Natario J. and Schiappa R. 2004 J. Math. Phys. 45, 4698

*Berti E., Cardoso V., Kokkotas K.D. And Onozawa H. 2003
Phys. Rev. D 68, 124018;*

Berti E., Cardoso V. and Yoshida S. 2004 Phys. Rev. D 69, 124018

More generally, inspired by these consideration in the contexts of string theory and loop quantum gravity, in recent years many authors have computed the eigenfrequencies of black hole quasi-normal modes in various background spacetimes, both in four dimensions and for higher dimensional spacetimes

Cardoso V. and Lemos J.P.S. 2003 Phys. Rev. D 67, 084020;

Konoplya R.A. 2003 Phys. Rev. D 68, 024018;

Cardoso V., Lemos J.P.S. and Yoshida S. 2004 Phys. Rev. D 69, 044004

Stellar oscillations

As for black holes, they are studied in the framework of perturbation theory;

Einstein + hydrodynamics equations need to be perturbed

For non rotating stars the theory can be developed in analogy with the theory of Schwarzschild perturbations:

All perturbed quantities (metric functions+hydro variables) are expanded in spherical harmonics (scalar, vector and tensor), and the resulting equations split in two sets, **the axial and the polar**; and these equations are separable

REMINDE: for black hole, both the axial and the polar equations are reducible to a wave equation with a potential barrier, i.e. the Regge-Wheeler and the Zerilli equation.

Stellar oscillations

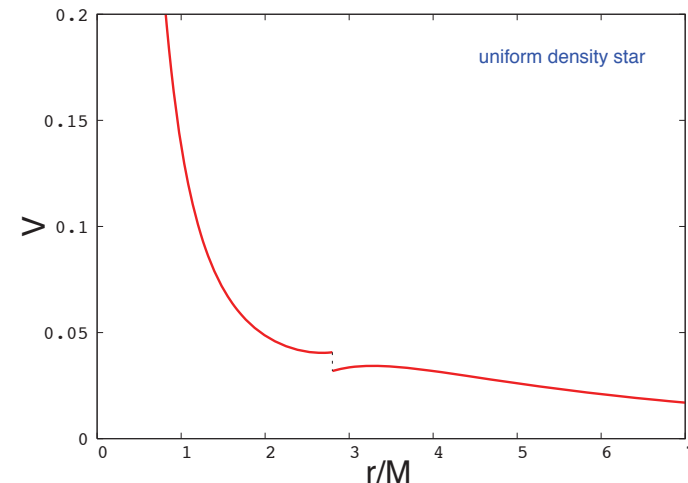
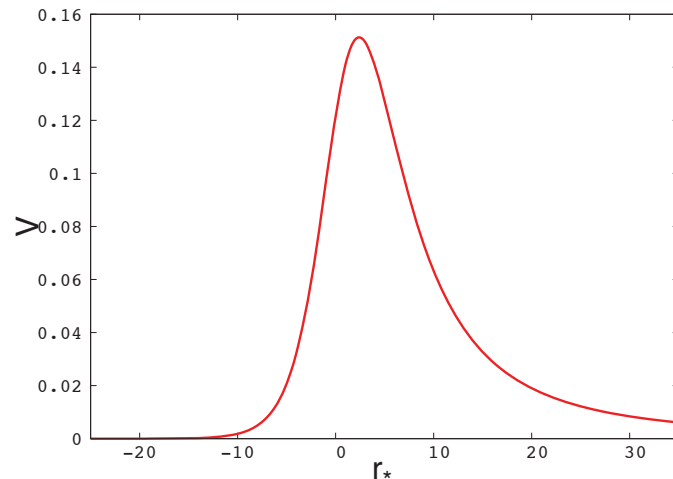
A wave equation for the axial perturbations: fluid motion is not excited

Chandrasekhar S. and Ferrari V. 1991, Proc. R. Soc. Lond. 434, 449

$$\frac{d^2 Z_\ell}{dr_*^2} + [\omega^2 - V_\ell(r)] Z_\ell = 0$$

$$V_\ell(r) = \frac{e^{2\nu}}{r^3} [\ell(\ell + 1)r + r^3(\epsilon - p) - 6m(r)], \quad \nu_{,r} = -\frac{p_{,r}}{\epsilon + p}$$

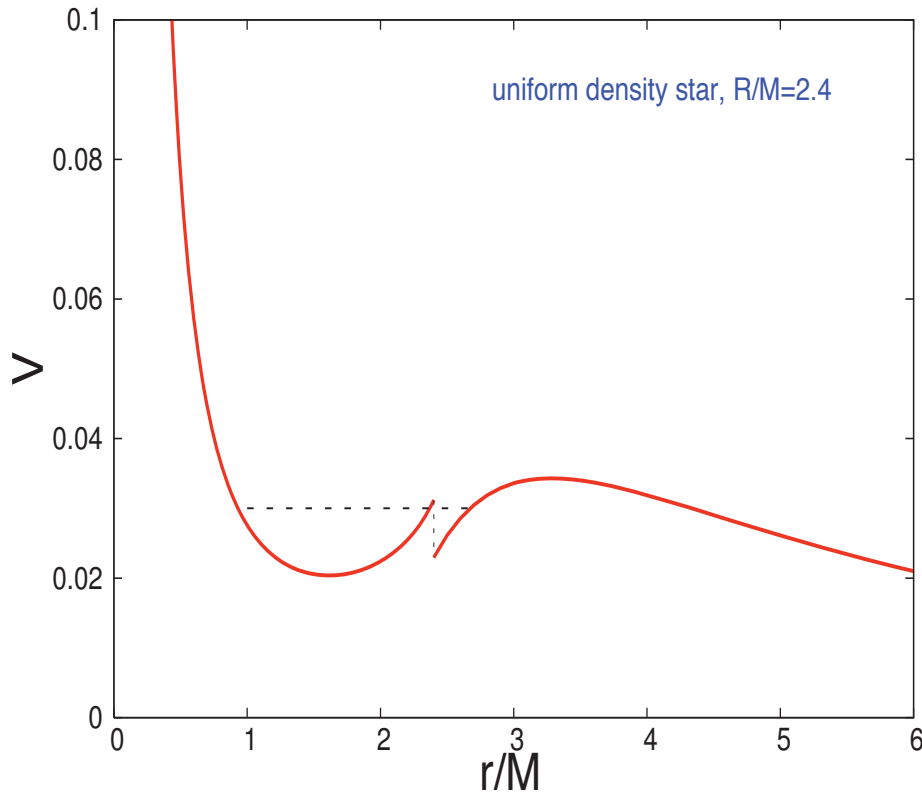
the potential barrier depends on how the energy-density and the pressure are distributed inside the star in its equilibrium configuration. For $r > R$ it reduces to the Regge-Wheeler potential



black holes: a one-dimensional potential barrier

stars: a central potential

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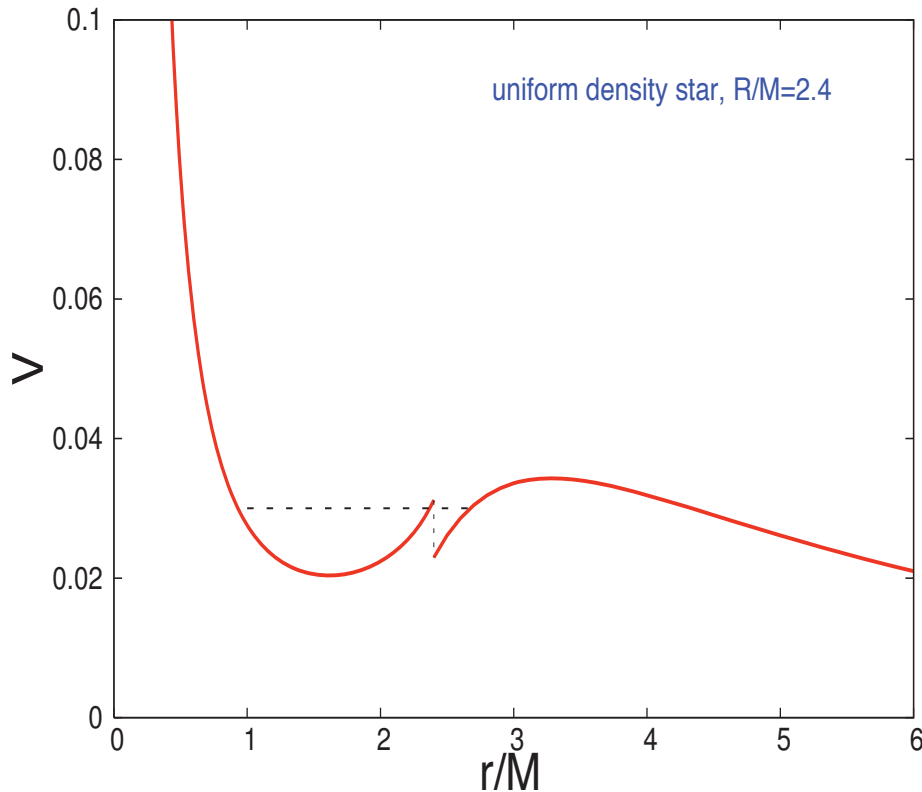
$$Z_\ell \rightarrow e^{-i\omega r_*}, \quad r_* \rightarrow \infty$$

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- another branch of modes are the *w-modes* they are associated to the scattering of GW- waves at the peaks of the barrier. They are *highly damped*

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$\frac{R}{M}$	s-modes		w-modes		black hole	
	ν_0 in kHz	τ in s	ν_0 in kHz	τ in s		
2.4	8.63	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	11.17	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$	8.93	$7.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	-	-	14.28	$8.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$	8.28	$2.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	-	-	18.22	$5.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$	7.20	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$
	-	-	22.67	$4.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$	6.01	$0.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$
2.3	5.62	0.54	11.11	$3.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
	7.56	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$	13.04	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
	9.33	$1.0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	15.15	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
	-	-	17.44	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
2.28	4.43	10.8	10.41	$5.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
	6.02	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-1}$	11.91	$2.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
	7.55	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-2}$	13.48	$2.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
	8.99	$1.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	15.14	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
2.26	2.60	$5.4 \cdot 10^3$	10.79	$7.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
	3.54	$1.7 \cdot 10^2$	11.69	$5.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
	4.48	$1.2 \cdot 10^1$	12.61	$4.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$		
	5.41	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-1}$	13.55	$3.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$		

Note that: $M = 1.35 M_{\odot} = 1.35 \times 1.477 = 1.99 \text{ km}$

$R = 2.4 \times 1.99 = 4.78 \text{ km}$
extremely small!

The characteristic frequencies and damping times of the first four $\ell = 2$, s and w axial modes of homogeneous stars, with $M = 1.35M_{\odot}$, and different values of R/M . The data are compared with the eigenfrequencies of a black hole with the same mass.

Until very recently, the common belief was that *w-modes* are unlikely to be excited in astrophysical processes. However in 2005 it has been shown that, they are excited in the collapse of a neutron star to a black hole, just before the black hole forms

Baiotti L., Hawke I., Rezzolla L. and Schnetter E. 2005, Phys. Rev. Lett. 94, 131101

We shall later see that the frequencies of the w-modes carry interesting information on the internal structure of the star.

POLAR MODES: fluid motion is excited.

different families of modes can be directly associated with different core physics.

f (fundamental)- **p** (pressure)- and **g** (gravity)- **r** –modes survive in the relativistic regime, but in GR they belong to **complex eigenfrequencies** since they are associated to GW emission

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The modes frequency depends on the **equation of state (EOS)** of matter in the interior, on the rotation rate, on the phase of life the star is going through, namely on whether it is **old and cold**, or **young and hot**.

Gravitational wave asteroseismology

Suppose that a gravitational signal emitted by a perturbed neutron star is detected and, by an appropriate data analysis, we are able to determine the frequency of one or more mode:

will this information allow to constraints the equation of state of matter in the stellar core?

The EOS in the inner core of a neutron star is unknown and the energies prevailing in the inner core of a NS are inaccessible to high energy experiments on Earth

**NEUTRON STARS ARE COSMIC LABORATORIES FOR
EXTREME PHYSICS**

The equation of state (EOS) in the interior of a neutron star is largely unknown

At densities larger than $\rho_0 = 2.67 \times 10^{14} \text{ g/cm}^3$ (equilibrium density of nuclear matter) the fluid is a gas of interacting nucleons

Available EOS have been obtained within models of strongly interacting matter, based on the theoretical knowledge of the underlying dynamics and constrained, as much as possible, by empirical data.

Two main, different approaches:

- nonrelativistic nuclear many-body theory **NMBT**
- relativistic mean field theory **RMFT**

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nuclear matter is viewed as a collection of pointlike protons and neutrons, whose dynamics is described by the nonrelativistic Hamiltonian:

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- The two- and three-nucleon interaction potentials are obtained from fits of existing scattering data.
- ground state energy is calculated using either variational techniques or G-matrix perturbation theory

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- based on the formalism of relativistic quantum field theory, nucleons are described as Dirac particles interacting through meson exchange. In the simplest implementation of this approach the dynamics is modeled in terms of a scalar and a vector field.
- equations of motion are solved in the mean field approximation, i.e. replacing the meson fields with their vacuum expectation values
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NMBT and RMFT can be both generalized to account for the appearance of hyperons

A useful way of classifying EOS's is through their **stiffness**, which can be quantified in terms of the speed of sound v_s :

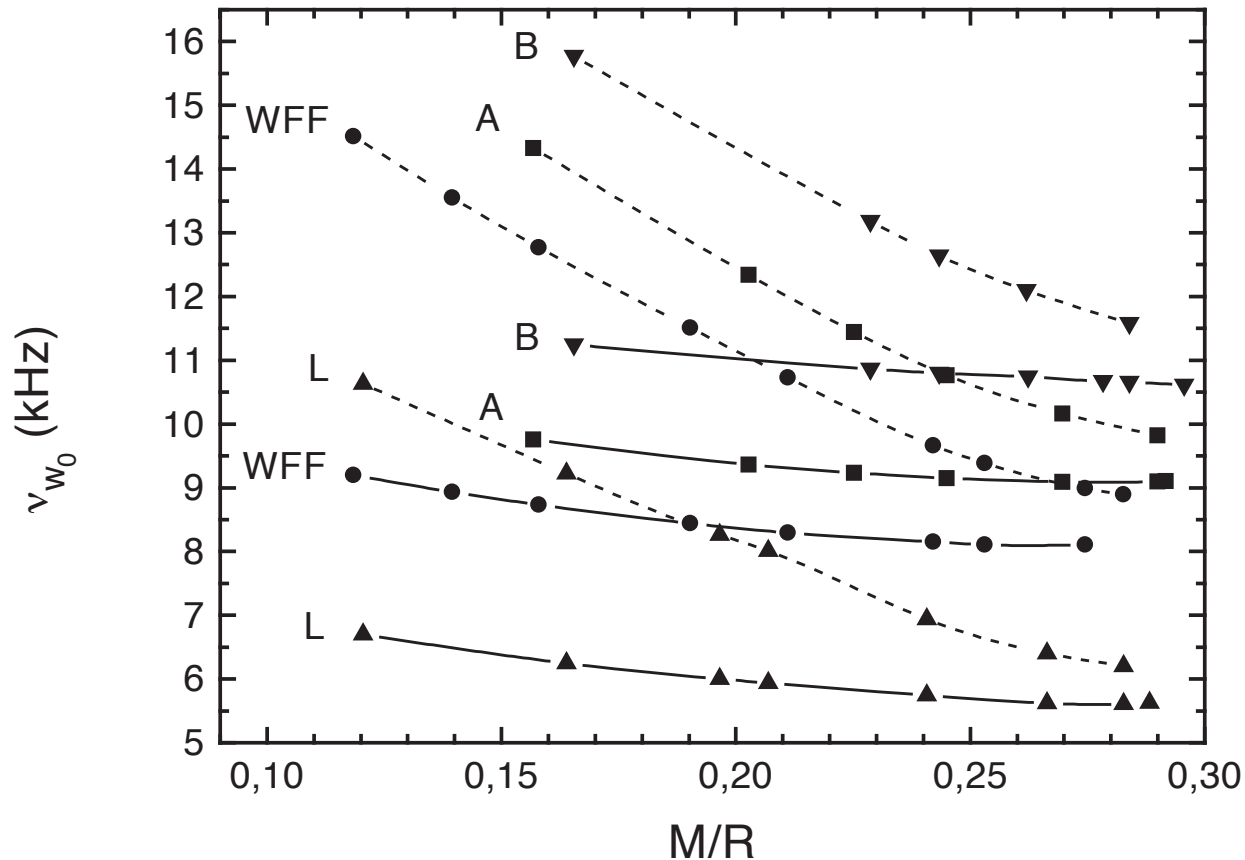
stiffer EOS's correspond to higher v_s .

stiffer EOS's correspond to less compressible matter.

Pure spacetime modes

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Andersson N., Kokkotas K.D, 1998 MNRAS 299
Benhar O., Berti E., Ferrari V. 1999 MNRAS 310

dashed lines: polar w-modes
continuous lines: axial w-modes

EOS A . Pandaripande 1971. Pure neutron matter, with dynamics governed by a nonrelativistic Hamiltonian containing a semi-phenomenological interaction potential.

EOS B. 1971 Generalization of EOS A, including protons, electrons and muons in β -equilibrium, as well as heavier barions (hyperons and nucleon resonances) at sufficiently high densities.

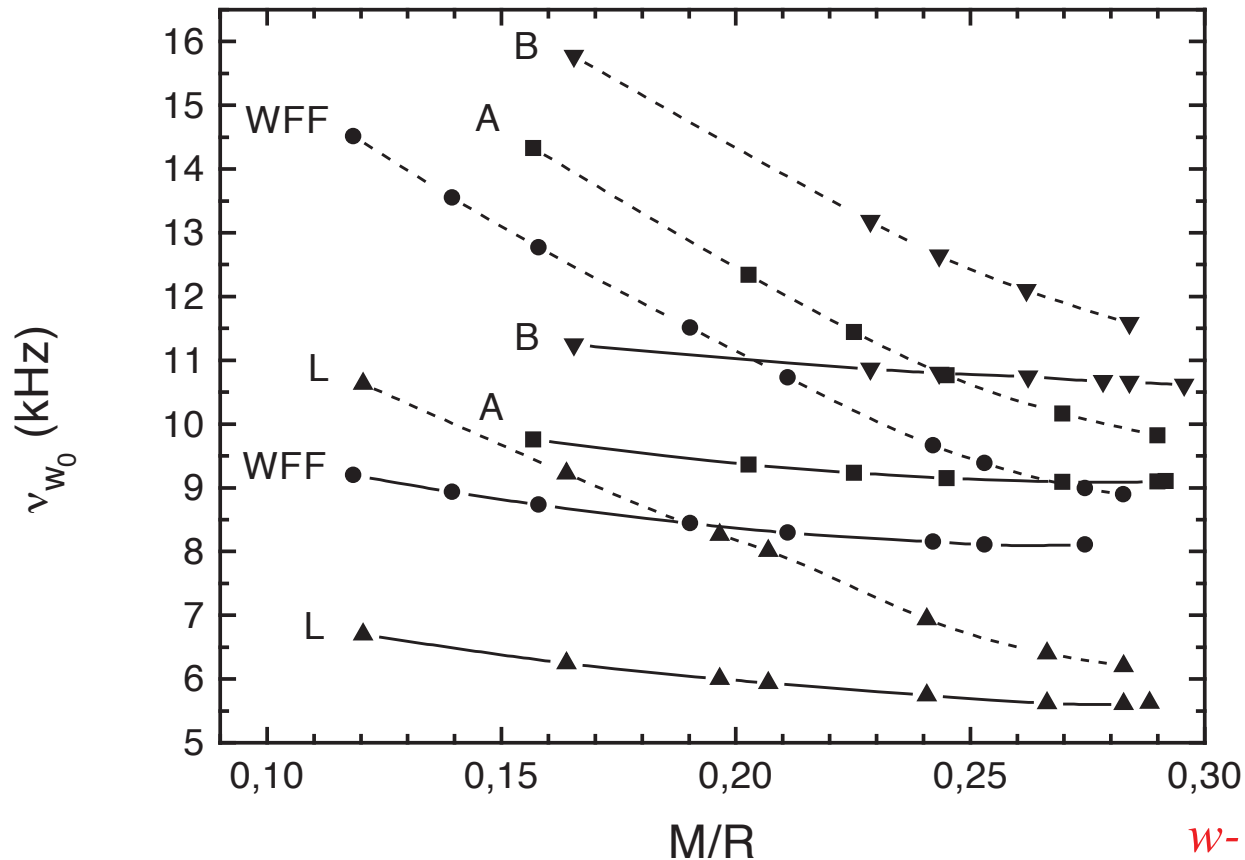
EOS WWF. Wiringa, Fiks, Fabrocini 1988. Neutrons, protons, electrons and muons in β -equilibrium. The Hamiltonian includes two- and three-body interaction potentials. The ground state energy is computed using a more sophisticated and accurate many body technique.

EOS L. Pandaripande & Smith 1975. Neutrons interact through exchange of mesons (ω, ρ, σ). The exchange of heavy particles (ω, ρ) is described in terms of nonrelativistic potentials, the effect of σ -meson is described using relativistic field theory and the mean-field approximation.

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about the EOS compressibility:

- B softest (more compressible)
- L stiffest

-axial and polar w-modes depends essentially on the stiffness of the equation of state.

-axial w-mode frequencies range within intervals that are separated; for each EOS is nearly independent of M/R

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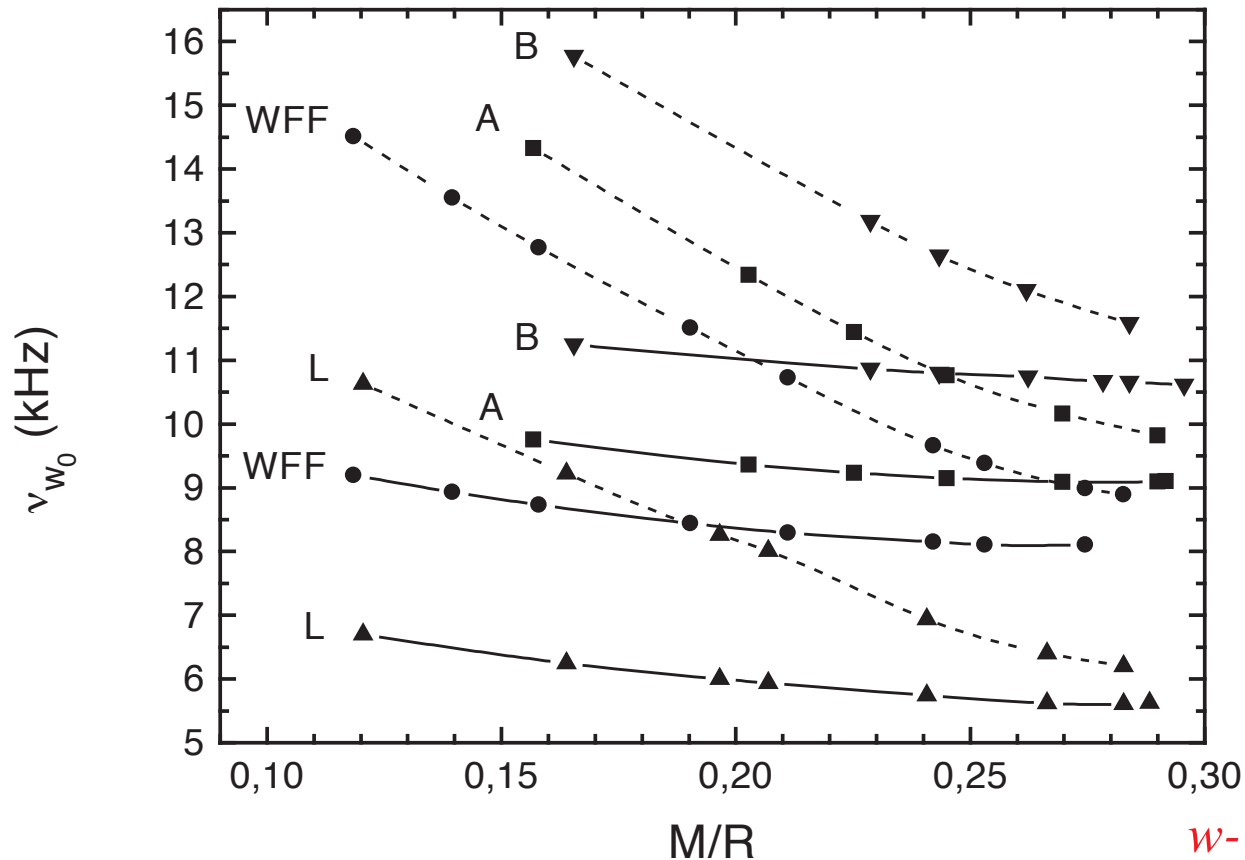
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Pure spacetime modes

w-modes have high frequency and very rapid damping.

They exist both for polar and axial perturbations



about the EOS compressibility:

- B softest (more compressible)
- L stiffest

-axial and polar w-modes depends essentially on the stiffness of the equation of state.

-axial w-mode frequencies range within intervals that are separated; for each EOS is nearly independent of M/R

Andersson N., Kokkotas K.D, 1998 MNRAS 299
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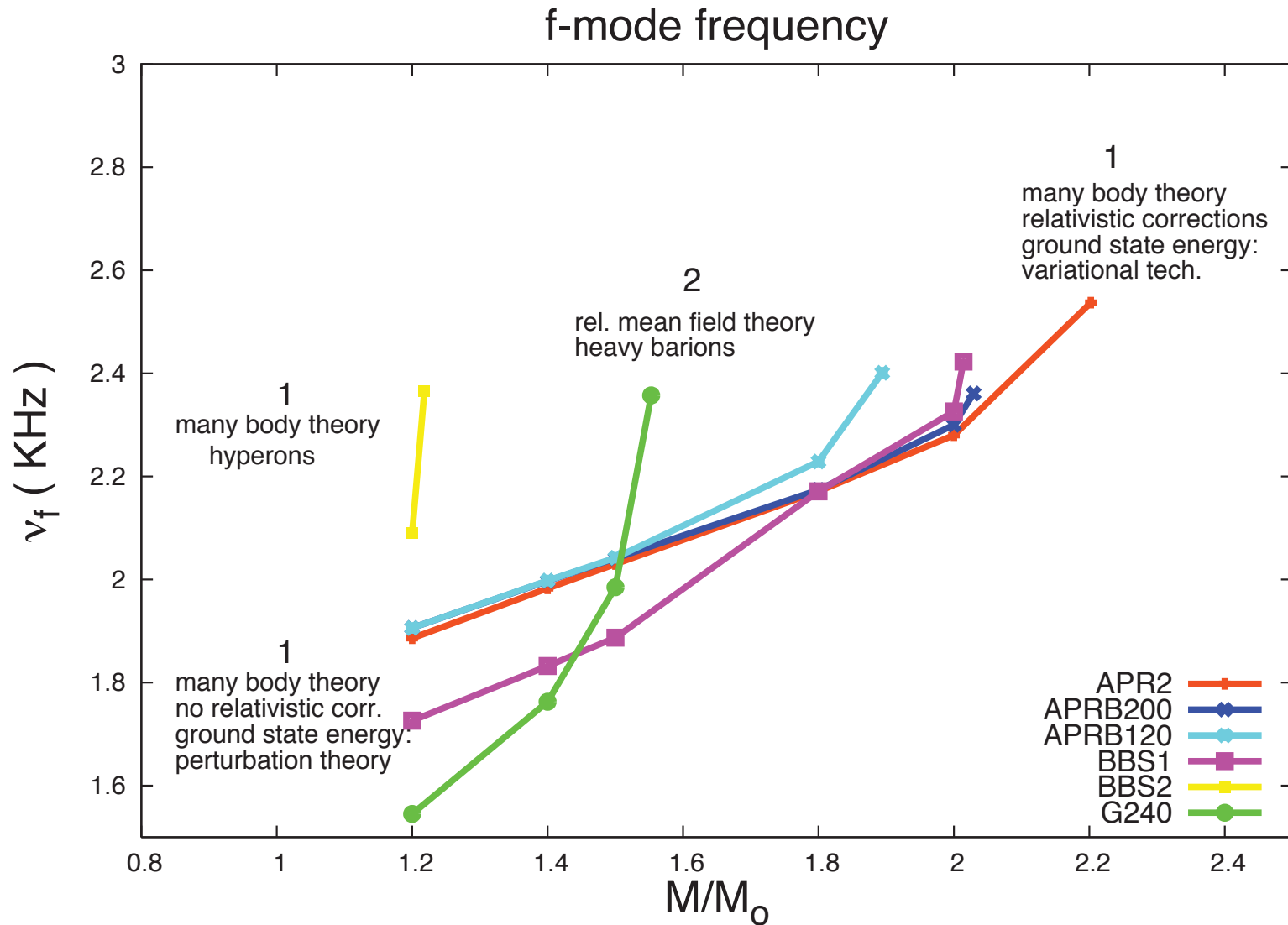
APRB120/200: APR2+ interacting quarks confined to a finite region (the bag)
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BBS2: same as BBS1+ **heavy barions** Σ^- and Λ^0 (no relativistic corrections)
Baldo M., Burgio G.F., Schulze H,J, Phys. Rev. C61, 2000

G240: e⁻ μ⁻ and the complete octet of baryons; mean field approximation is used to
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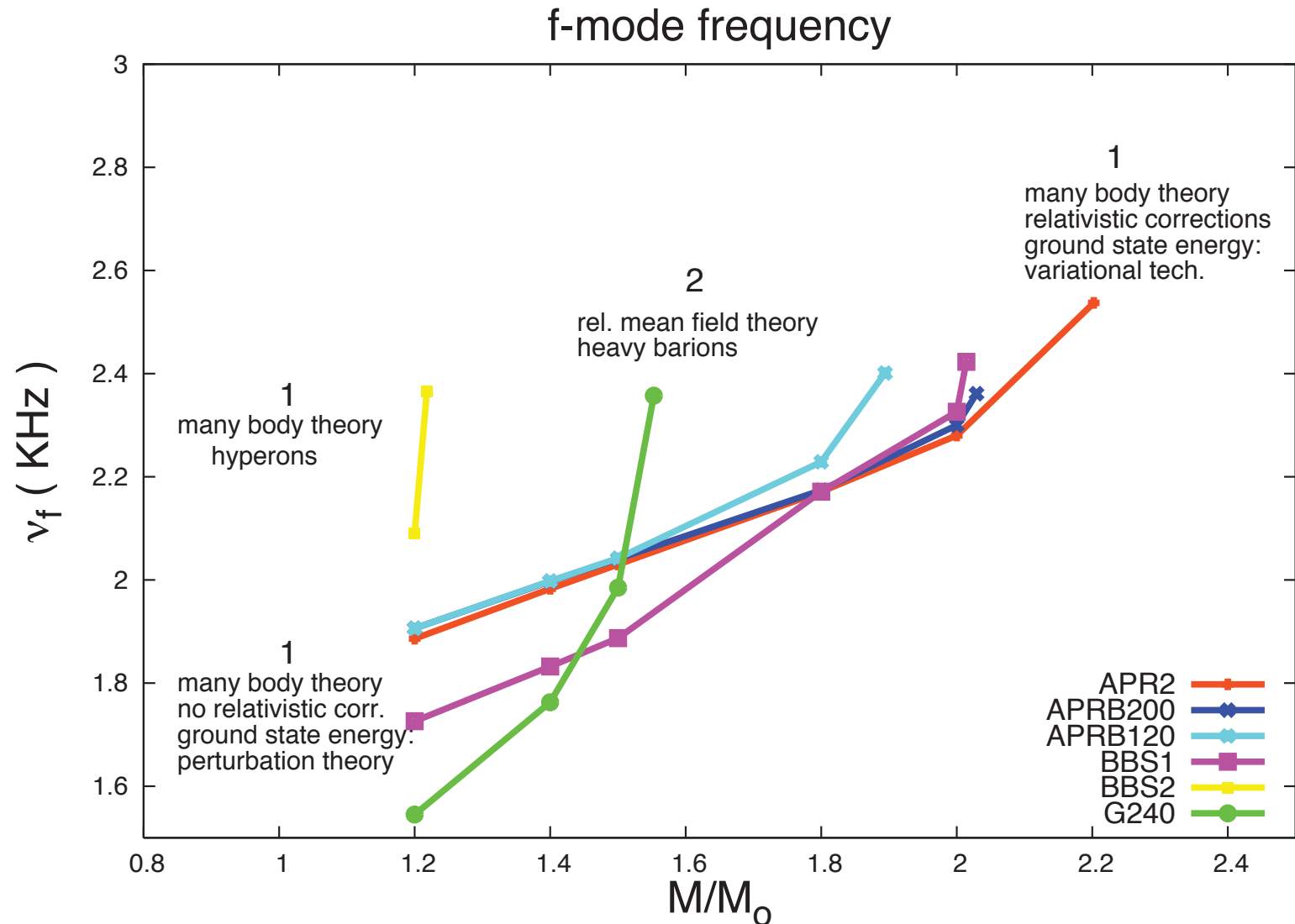
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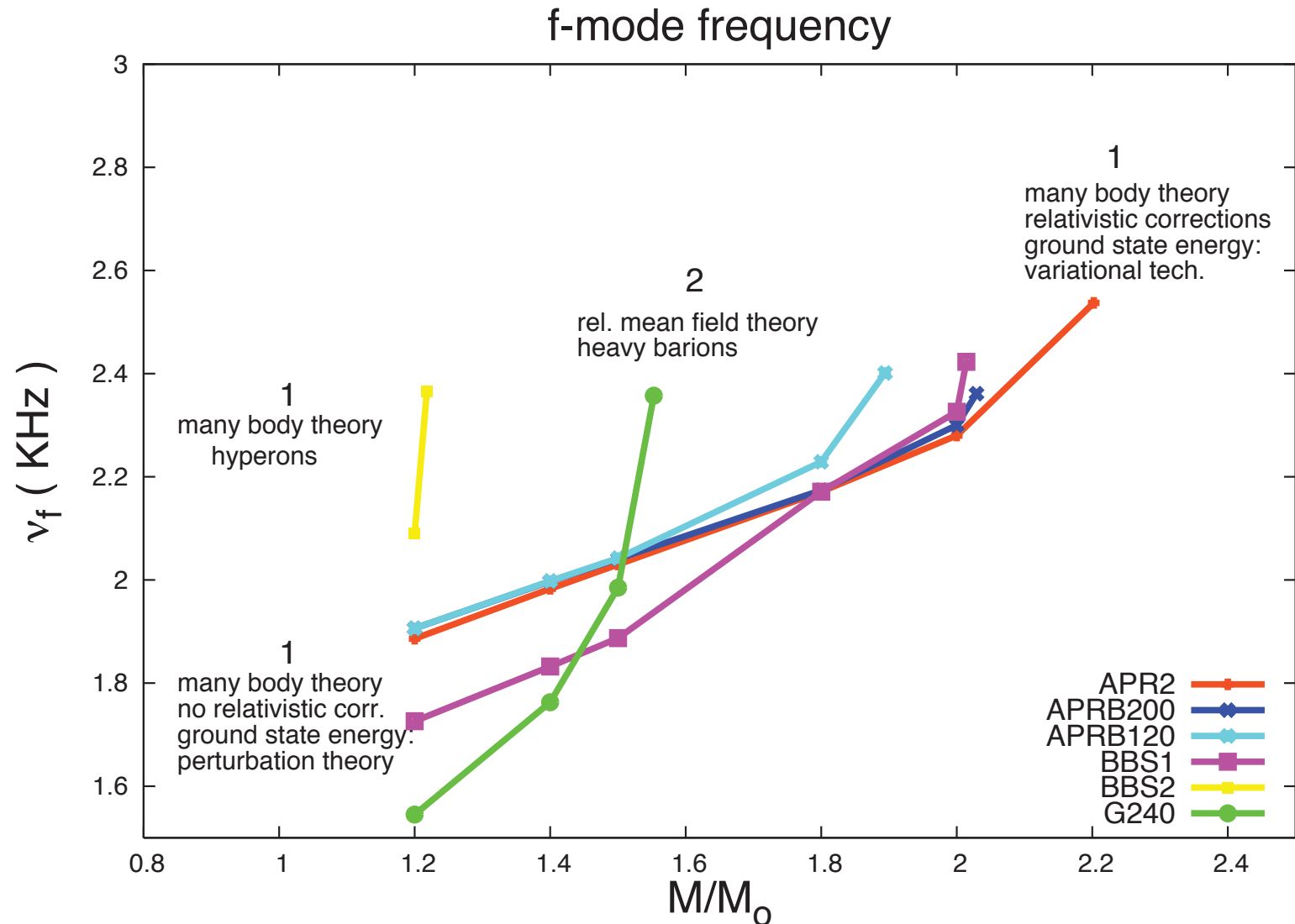
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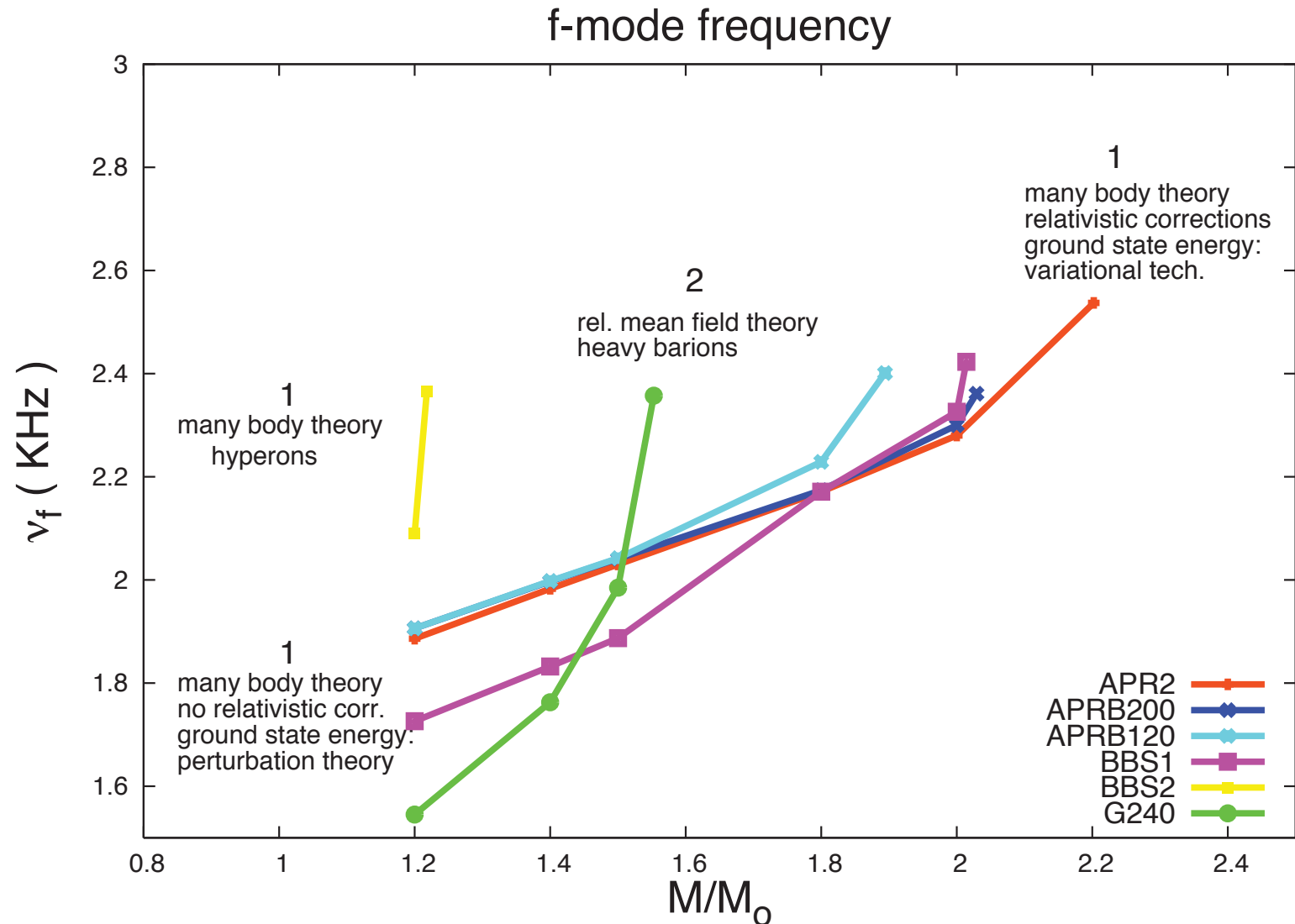
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Compare purple and yellow for $M=1.2$ solar mass: hyperons soften the EOS average density increases, ν_f increases

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Mean field EOS (green curve) has a completely different behaviour which reflects a different relation between mass and central density

Can stars be entirely made of quarks ? (**Bodmer 1971, Witten 1984**)

MIT Bag model :

Fermi gas of up, down, strange quarks confined in a region with volume determined by pressure = **Bag constant B**. The interactions between quarks are treated perturbatively at first order in the coupling constant α_s

From Particle Data Book

$$m_u \sim m_d \sim \text{few MeV} \quad m_s = (80-155) \text{ MeV}$$

3 parameters α_s, m_s, B

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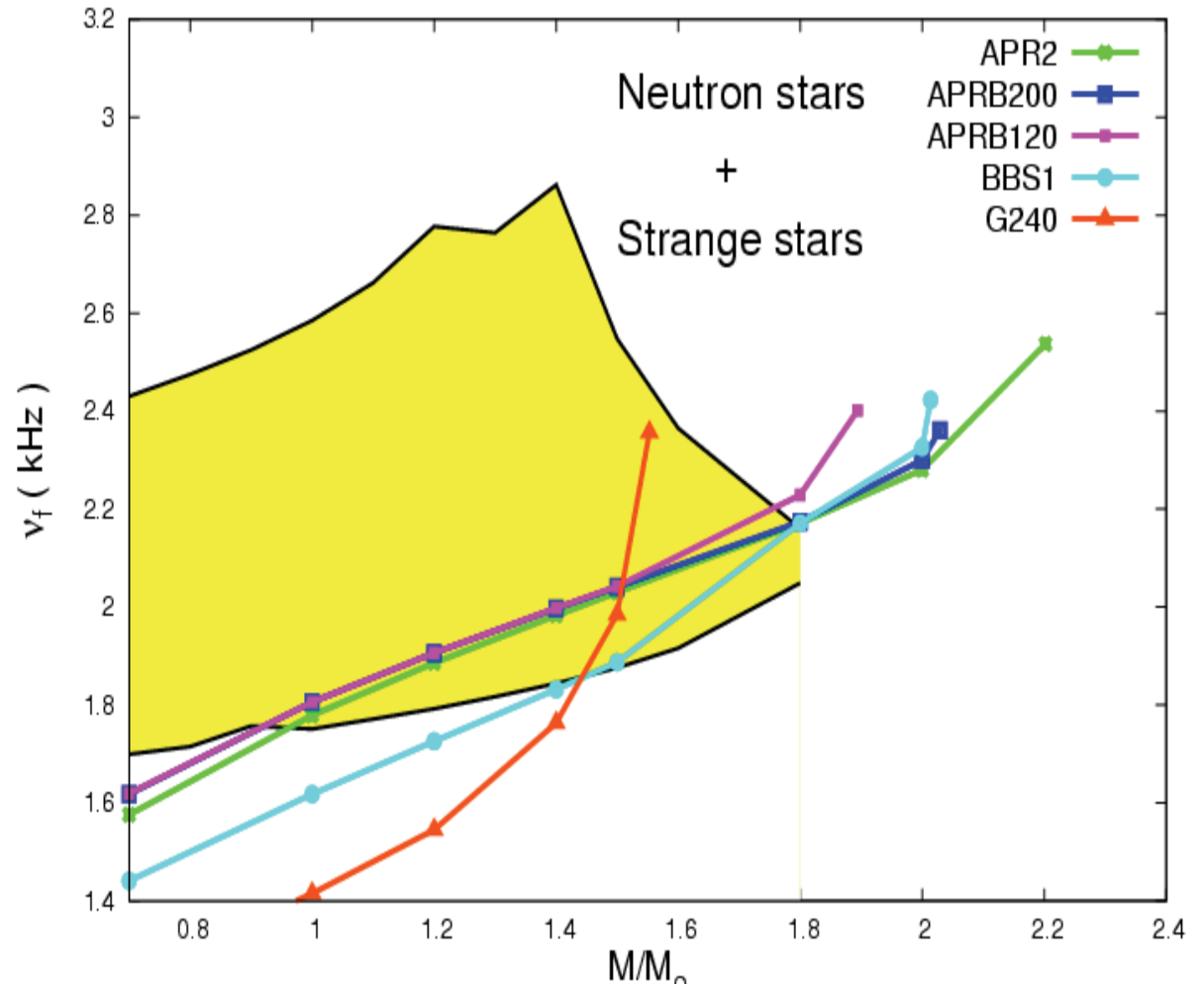
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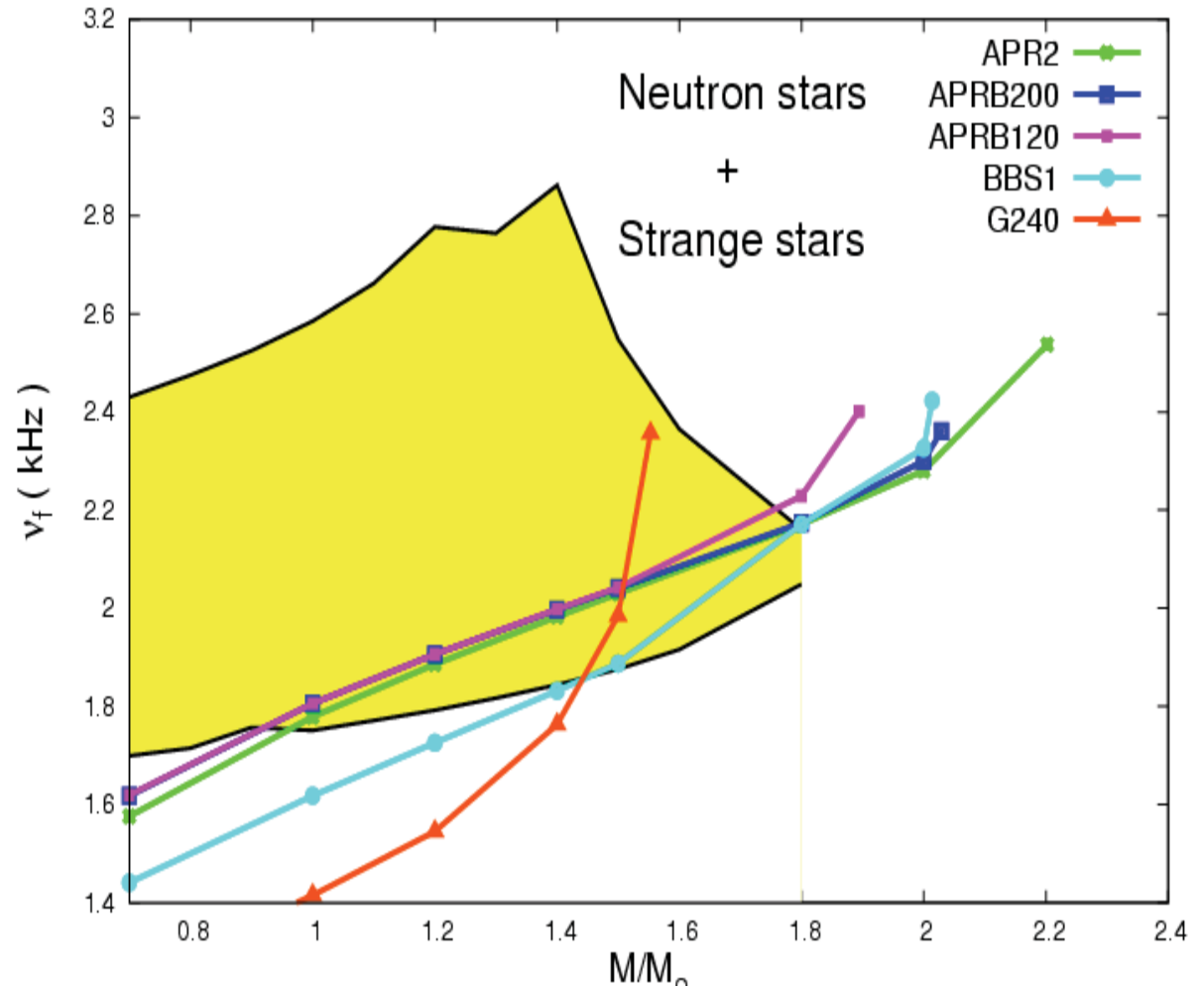
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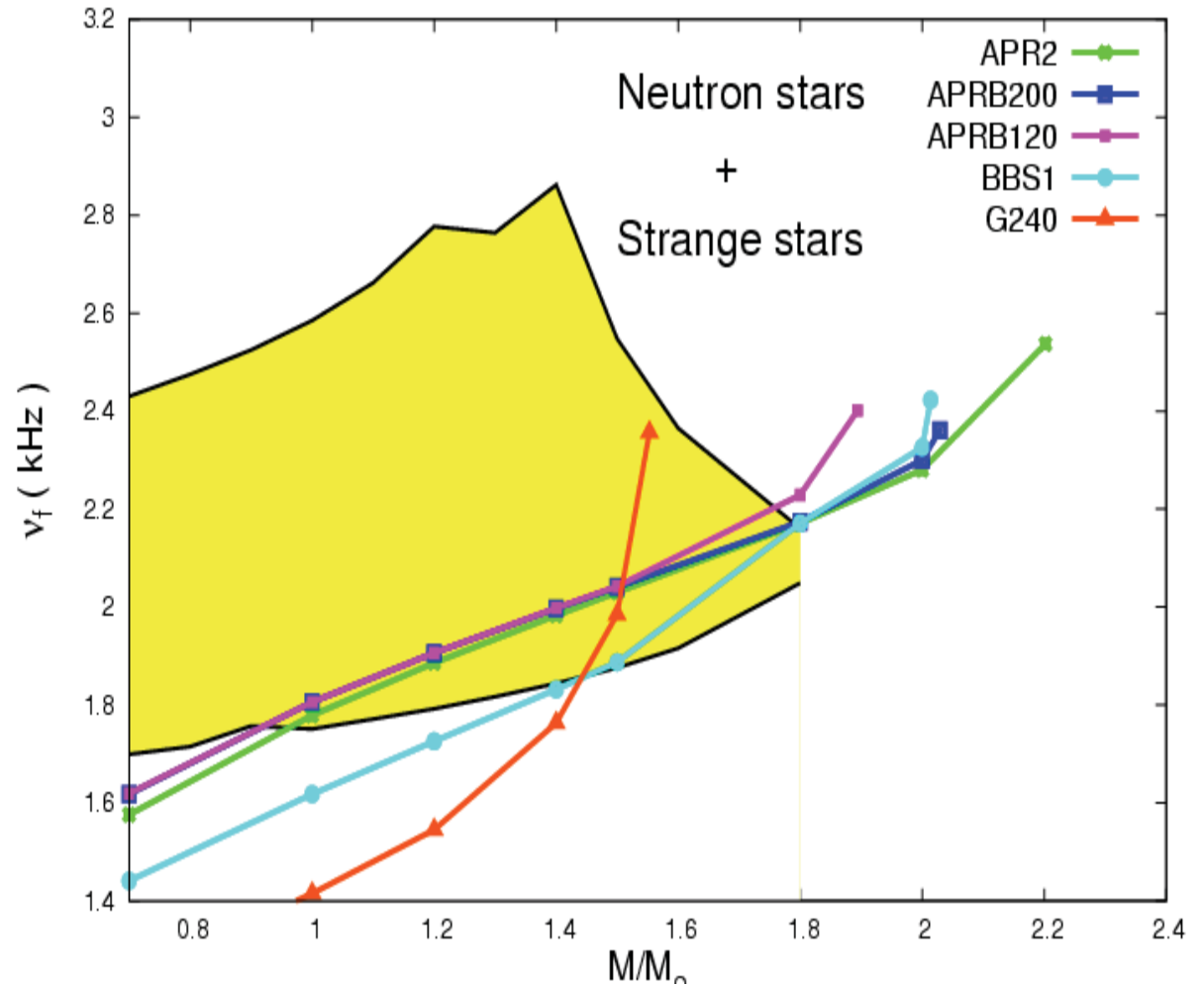
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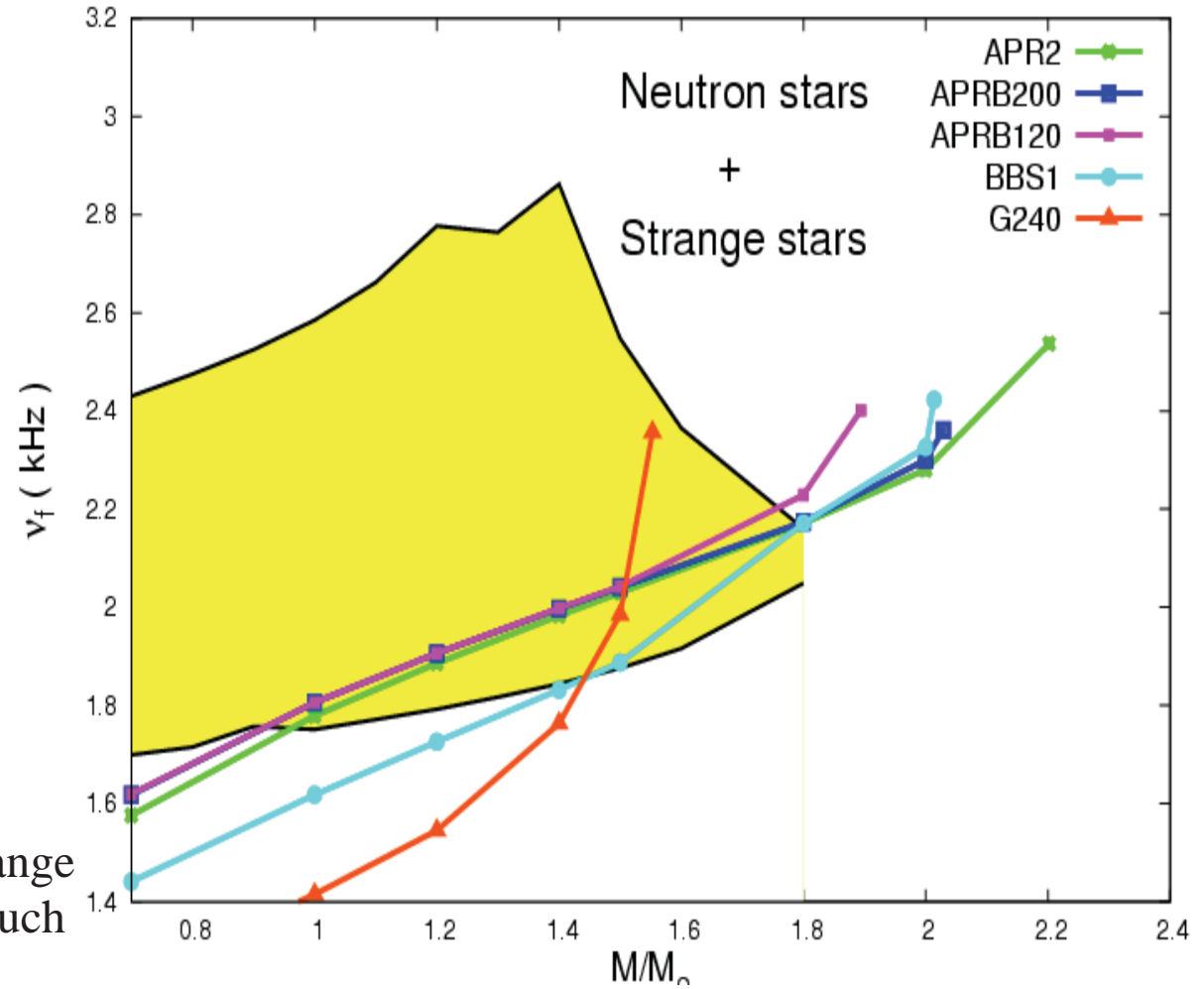


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Oscillations from newly-born neutron stars are more promising : more energy can be stored into the modes.

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♣ Neutrino processes dominate the first minute of the evolution: Neutrino diffusion deleptonizes the core on a time scale of 10-15 s: the star heats up and the core entropy increases, reaching a maximum at the end of the deleptonization epoch.

♦ For $t \gtrsim 15 \text{ s}$, the PNS becomes lepton poor, but it is still hot: the average neutrino energy decreases, and the neutrino mean free path increases. After approximately 50 s, the mean free path becomes comparable to R, and the star is finally transparent to neutrinos.

By this time, $T \sim 10^{10} \text{ K}$.



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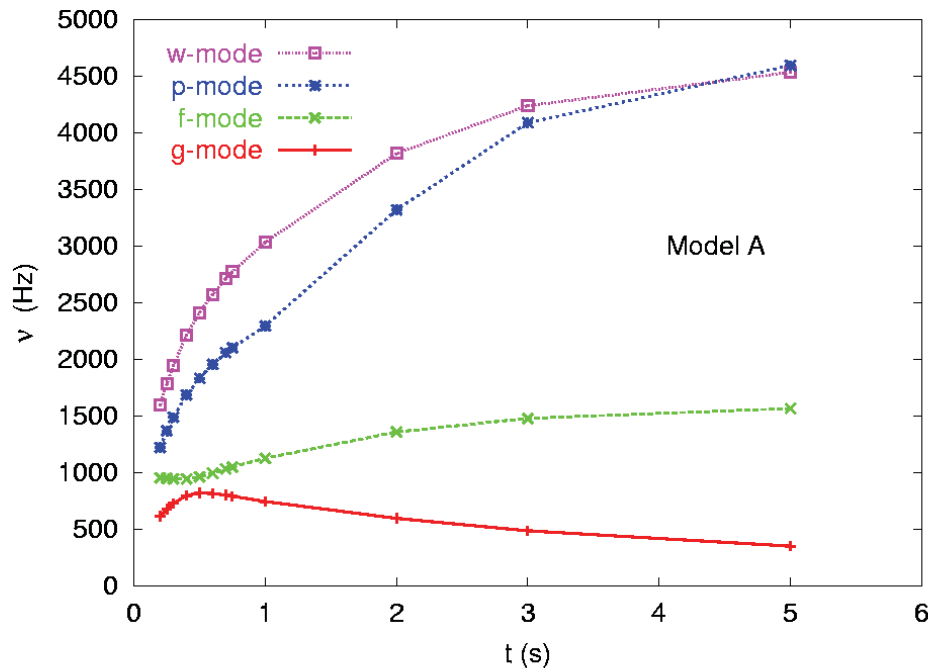
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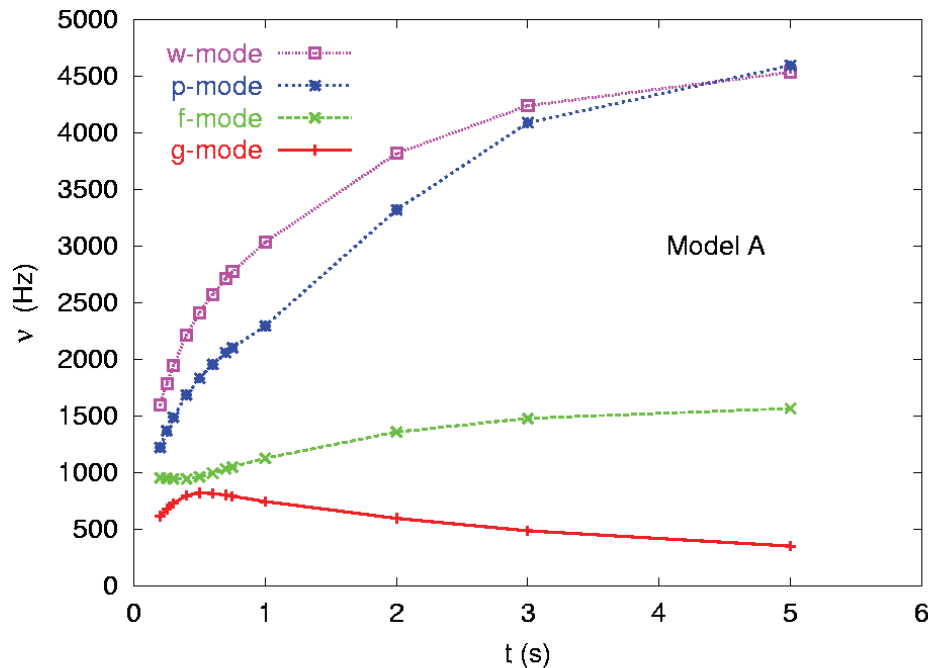
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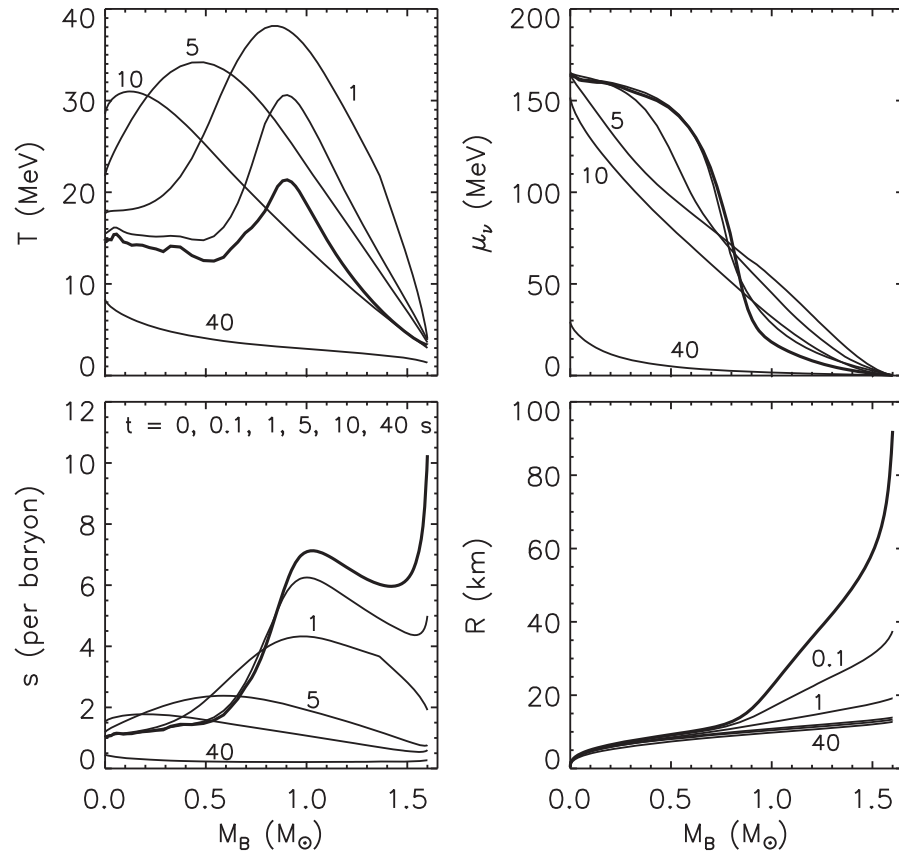
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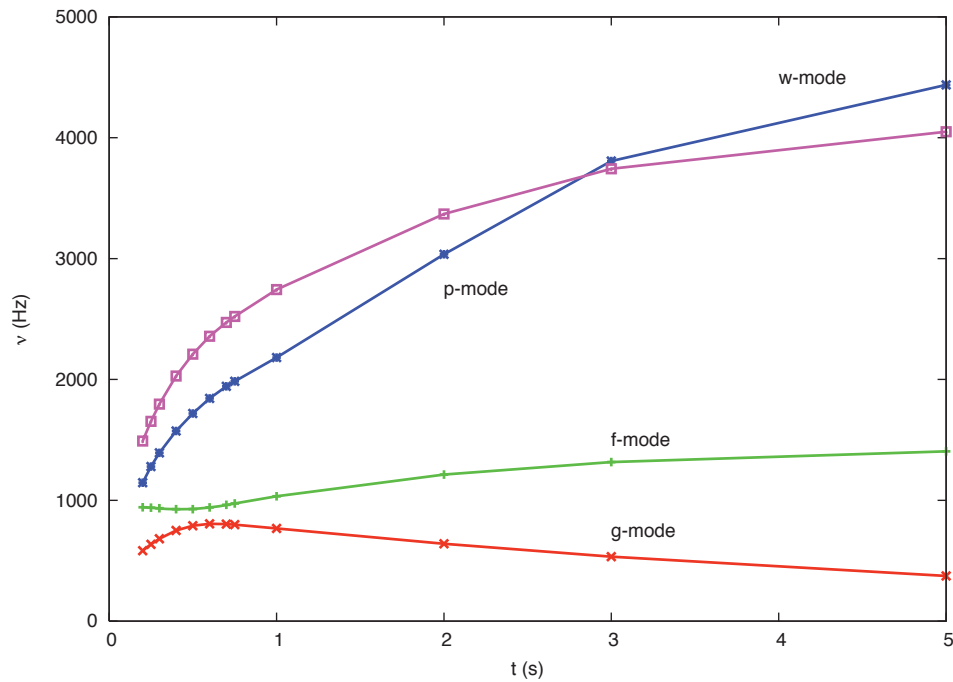
In a hot, proto-neutron star **g-modes** appear: **WHY?**

During the first minute of a PNS life, strong entropy gradients characterize the thermodynamical evolution : this is why g-modes appear



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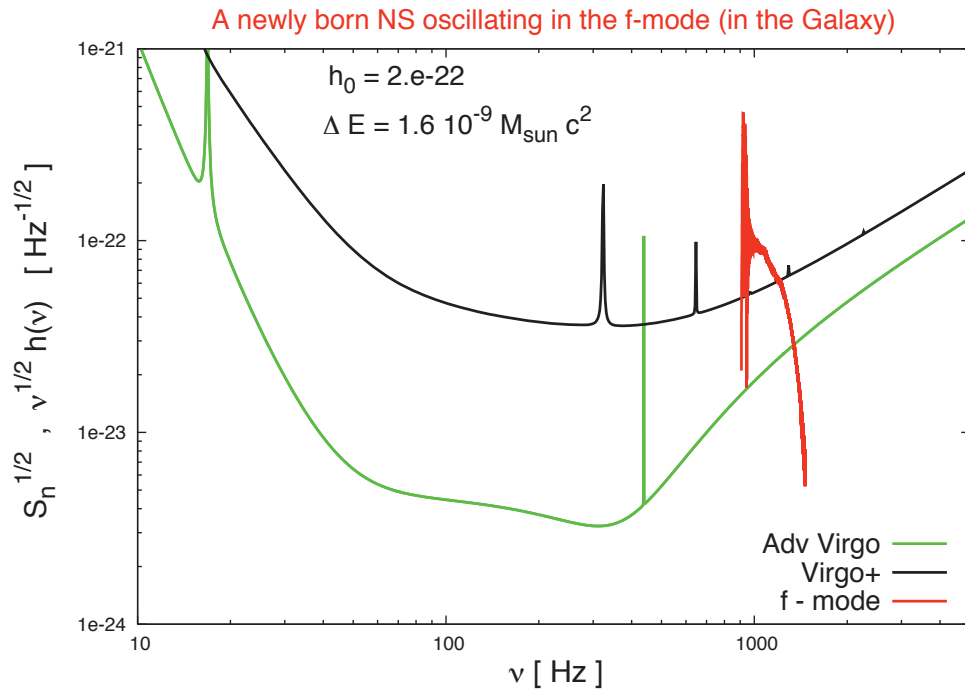


Having $\nu(t)$ and $\tau(t)$, we can estimate the amount of energy ΔE_{GW} that should be stored in a given mode for the signal to be detectable with an assigned SNR by a given detector.

*The frequencies of the **fundamental** mode, and of the first **g**-, **p**- and **w**- modes of an evolving proto--neutron star are plotted as functions of the time elapsed from the gravitational collapse, during the first 5 seconds.*

Ferrari ,Miniutti, Pons MNRAS, 342 2004

If the newly born star is oscillating in the f-mode:



If we assume that

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is stored into the f-mode

$$SNR = 2 \left[\int_0^{\infty} d\nu \frac{|\tilde{h}(\nu)|^2}{S_n(\nu)} \right]^{1/2},$$

SNR= 8

by Advanced Virgo/LIGO

CONCLUSIONS

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