

Constraining the Neutron Star Mass and Radius Relation

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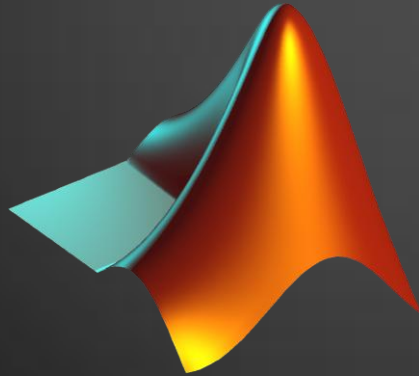


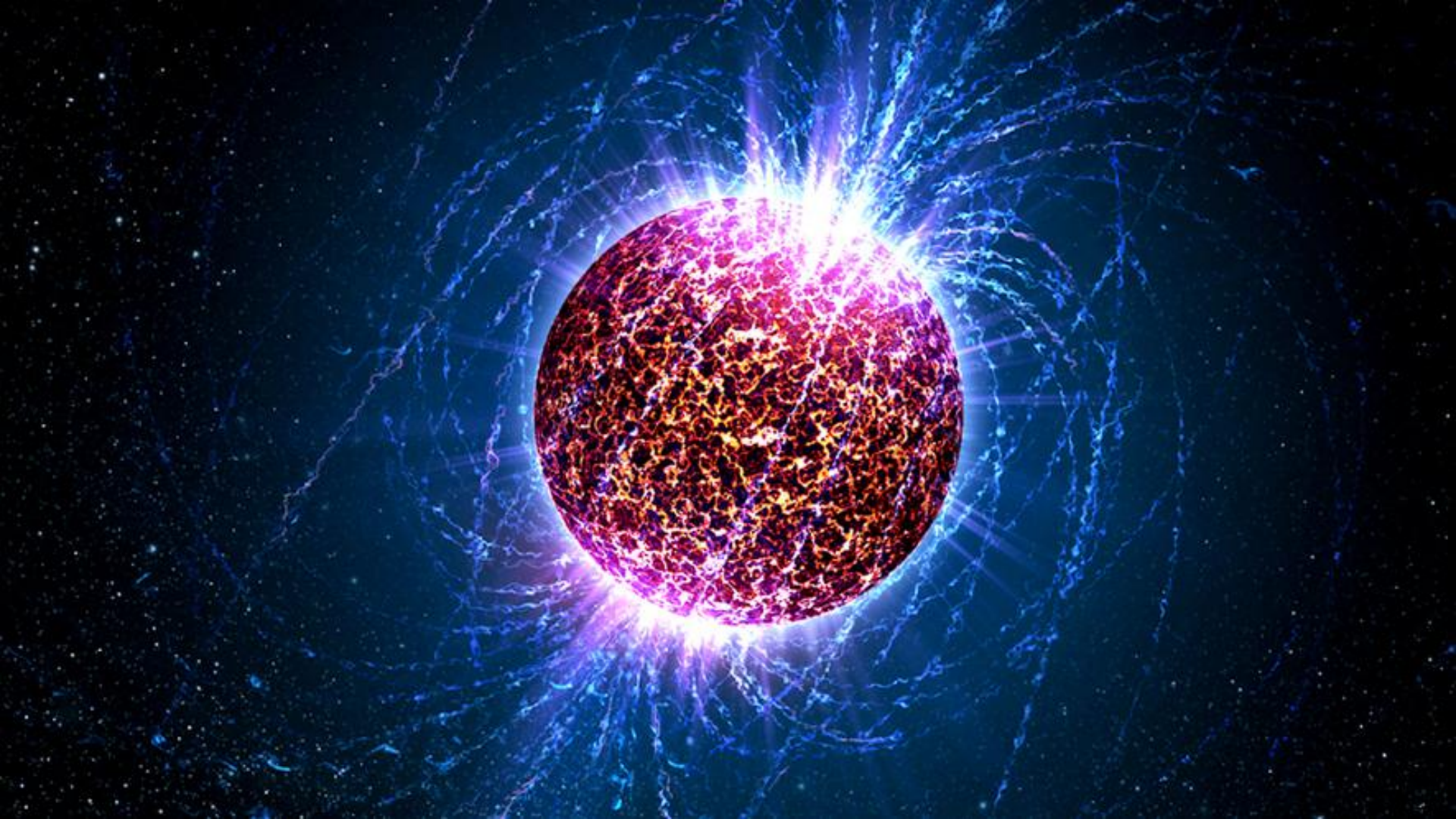
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Our Equipment





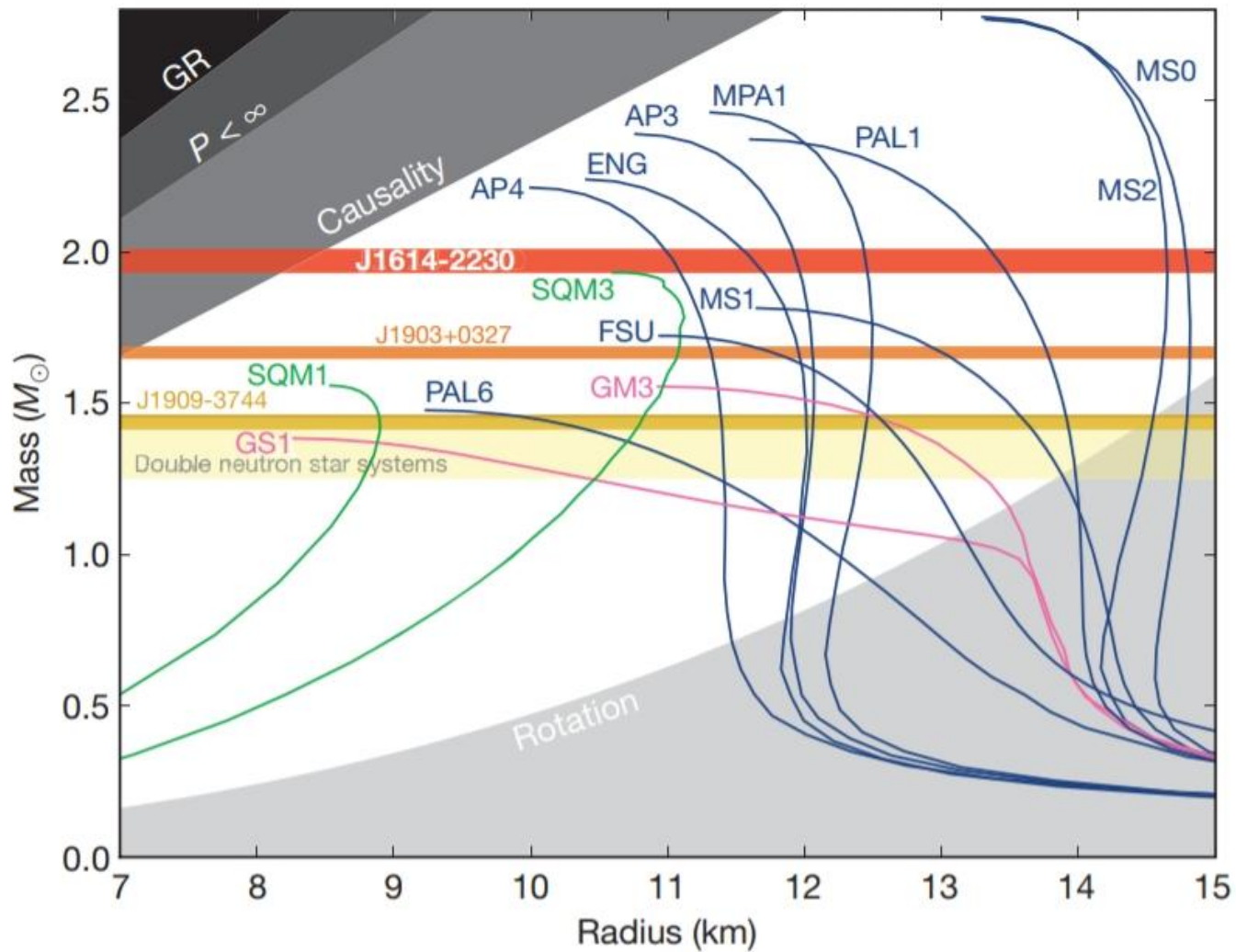
The TOV equations

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{G\epsilon(r)m(r)}{c^2r^2} \left(1 + \frac{P(r)}{\epsilon(r)}\right) \left(1 + \frac{4\pi r^3 P(r)}{m(r)c^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2Gm(r)}{c^2r}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\frac{dm}{dr} = \frac{4\pi r^2 \epsilon(r)}{c^2}$$

Two equations for 3 unknown functions - we need a third one:

$$P = P(\epsilon)$$



Where did we start ?

Symmetric nuclear matter:

$$\frac{\epsilon(n)}{n} = m_N + \frac{3 \hbar^2 k_F^2}{52 m_N} + \frac{A}{2} \left(\frac{n}{n_0} \right) + \frac{B}{\sigma + 1} \left(\frac{n}{n_0} \right)^\sigma$$

Where A , B and σ are free parameters and n_0 is the nuclear saturation density ($n_0 \cong 0.16 \text{ particles}/\text{fm}^3$)

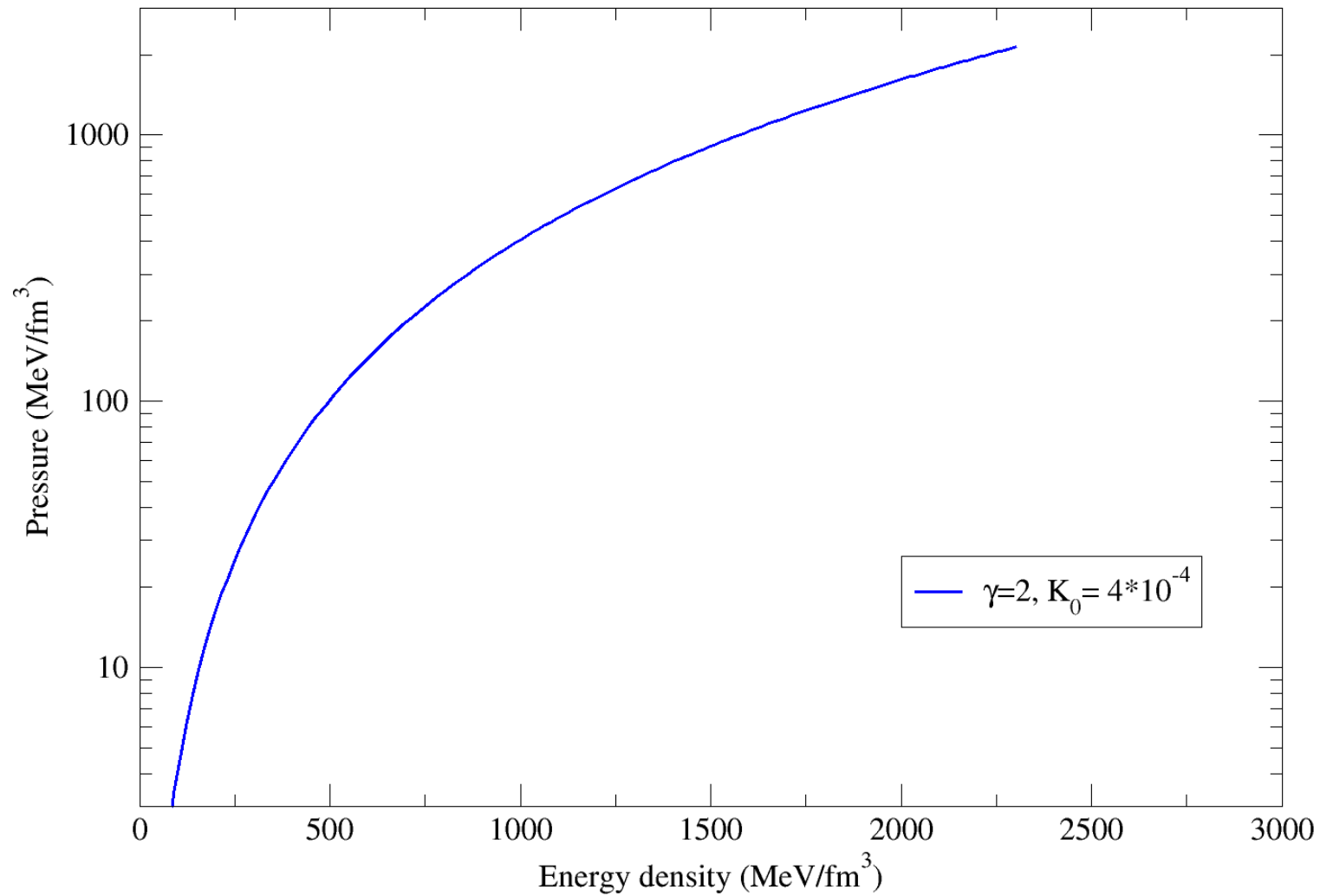
Nonsymmetric nuclear matter

$$n_n = \frac{1 + \alpha}{2}n \quad n_p = \frac{1 - \alpha}{2}n$$

Nonsymmetry parametrization

$$E(n, \alpha) = E(n, 0) + \alpha^2 S(n)$$

Where the function $S(n)$ is based on experimental data.



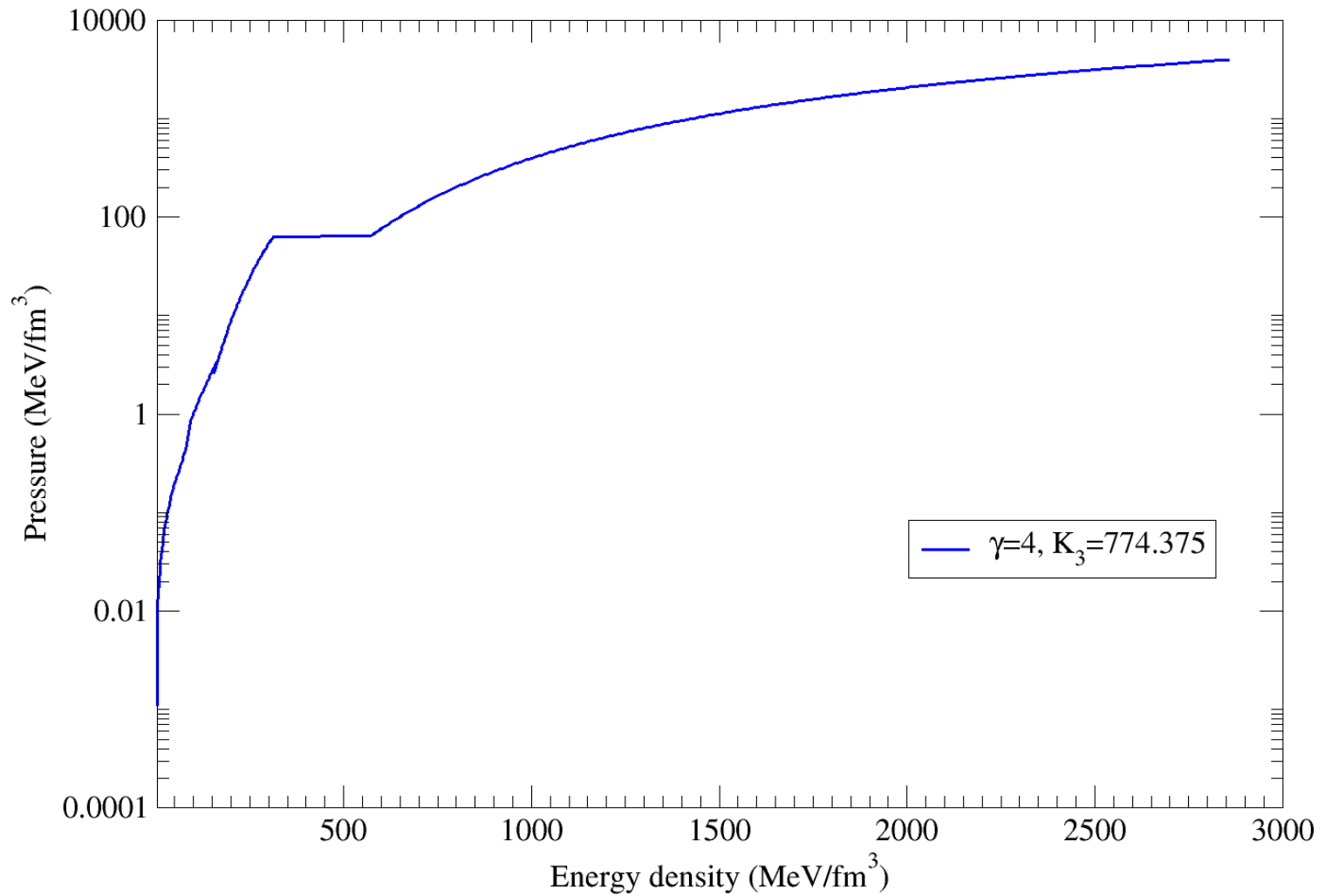
Polytropic fit

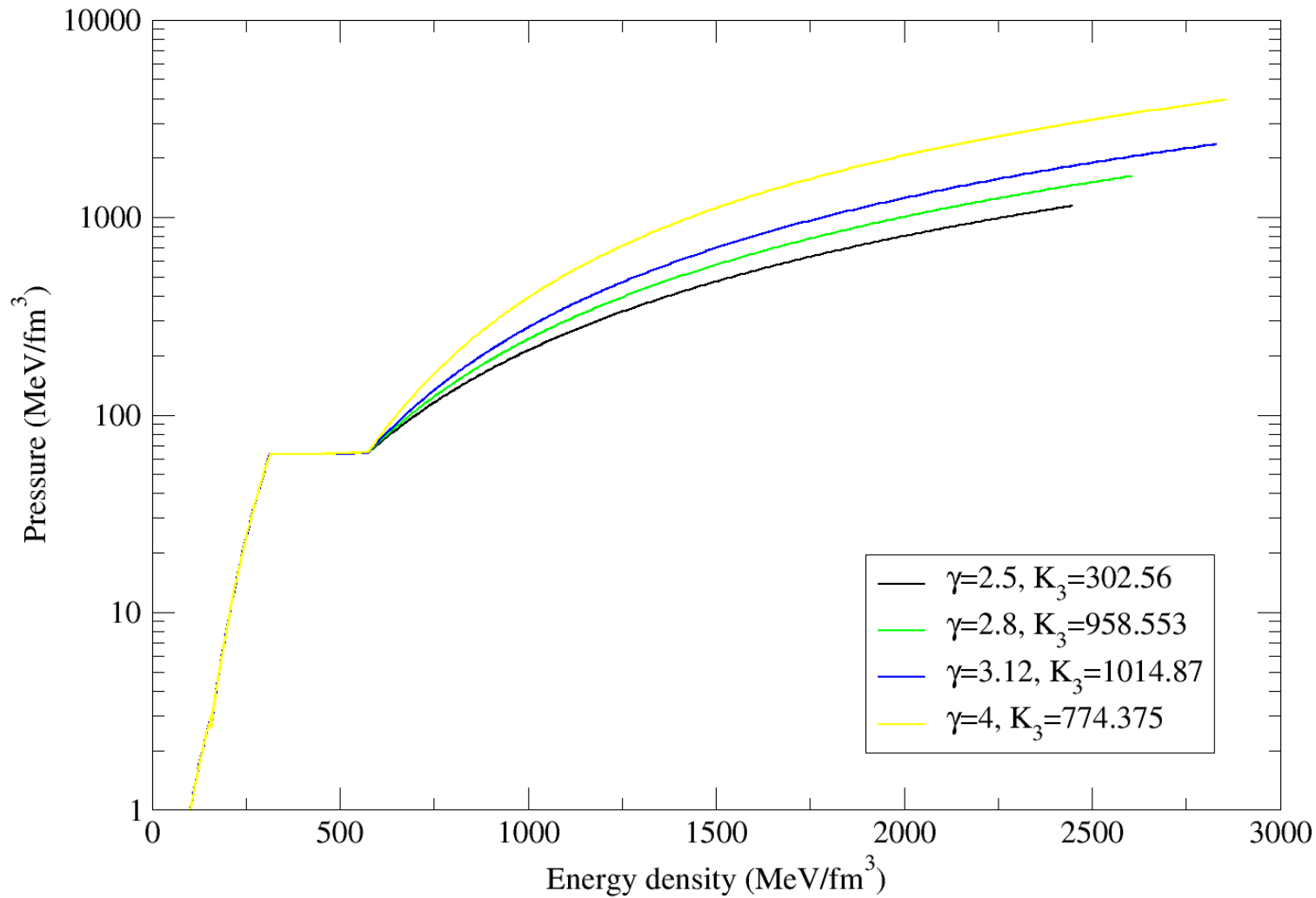
We are using multi-polytropic fit for the EoS where the constants γ_i and K_i are determined by the respective phase:

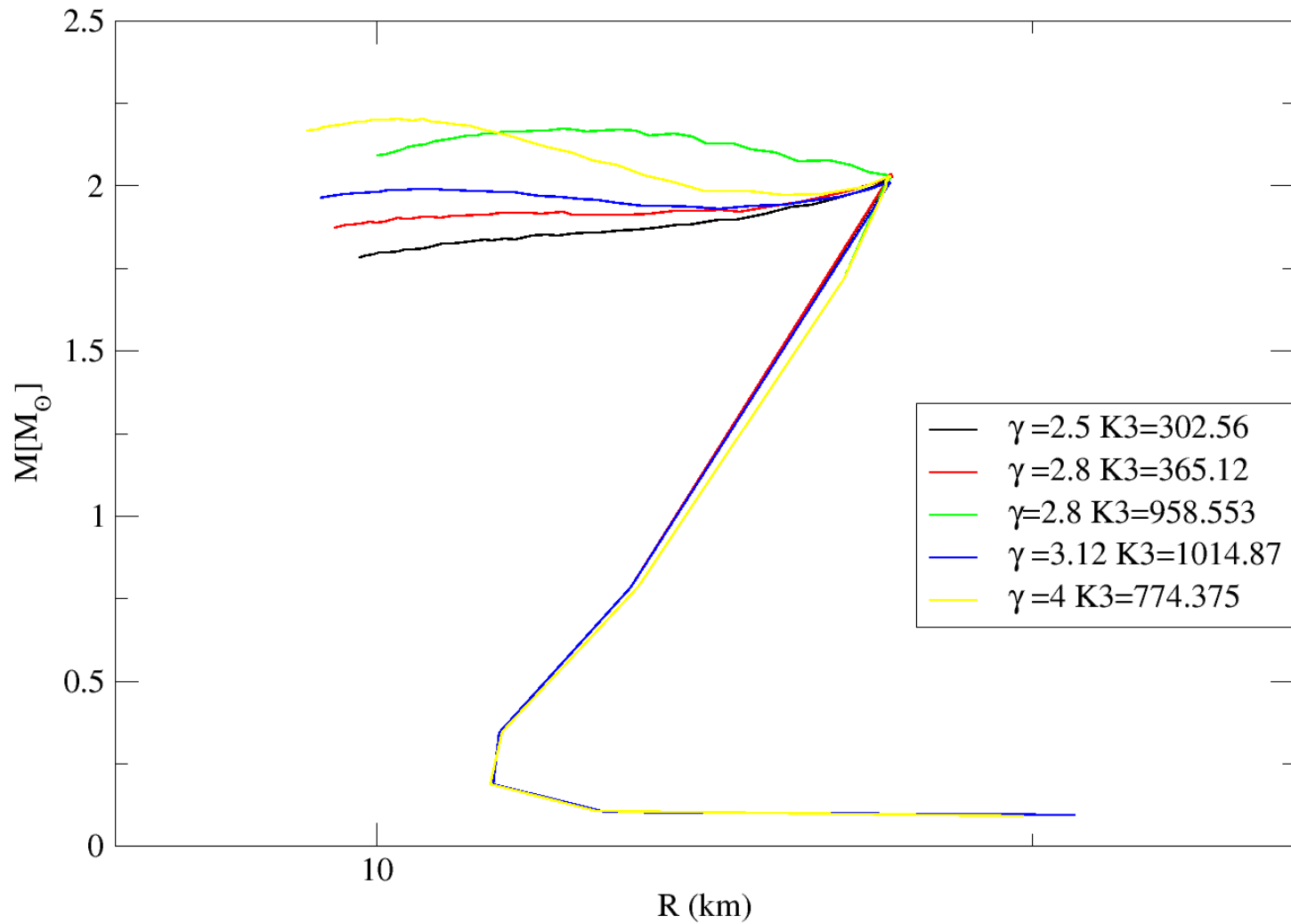
$$P(n) = K_i n^{\gamma_i}$$
$$\epsilon(n) = \frac{K_i n^{\gamma_i}}{\gamma_i - 1} + m_N n$$

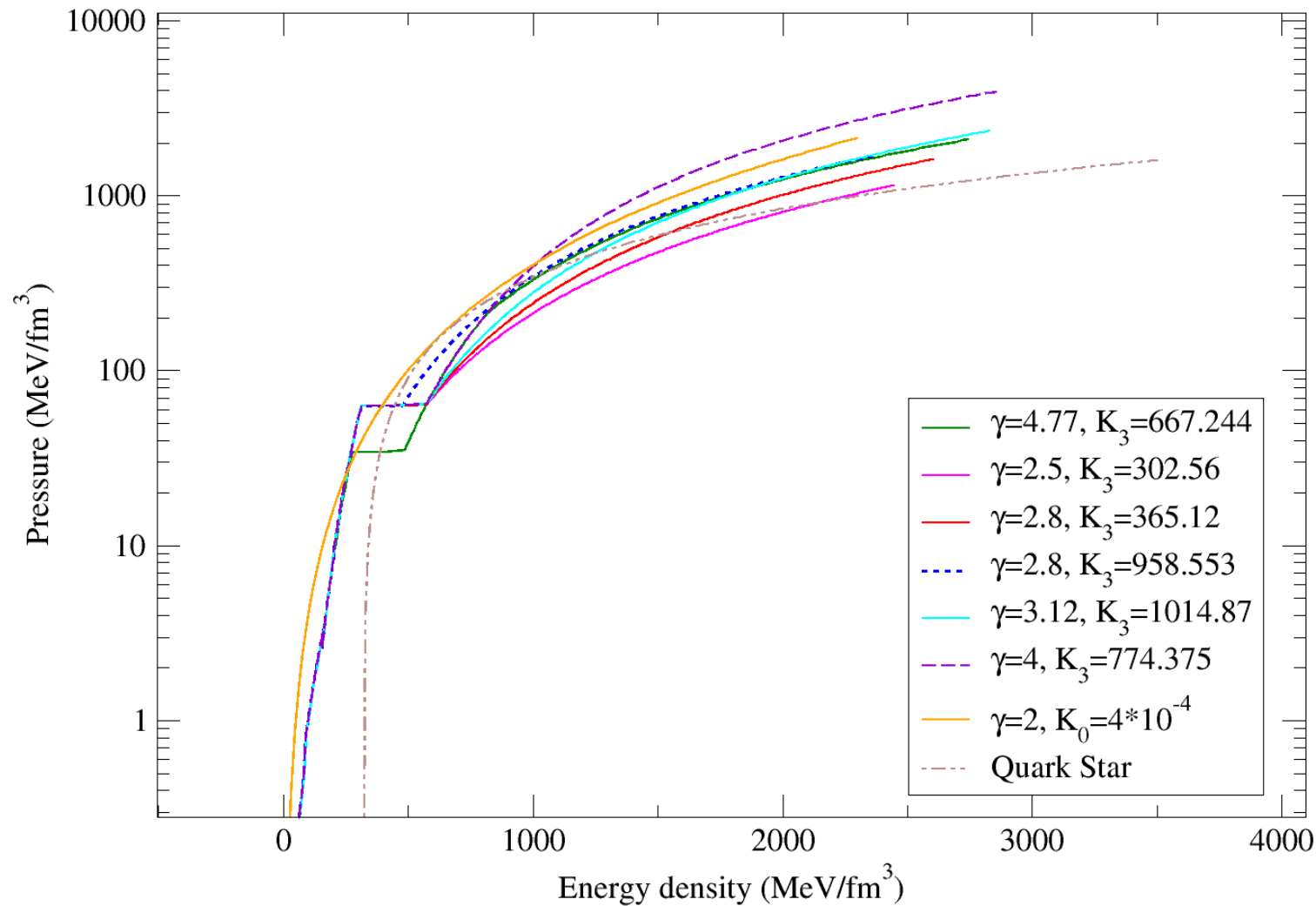
Hybrid parameters based on:

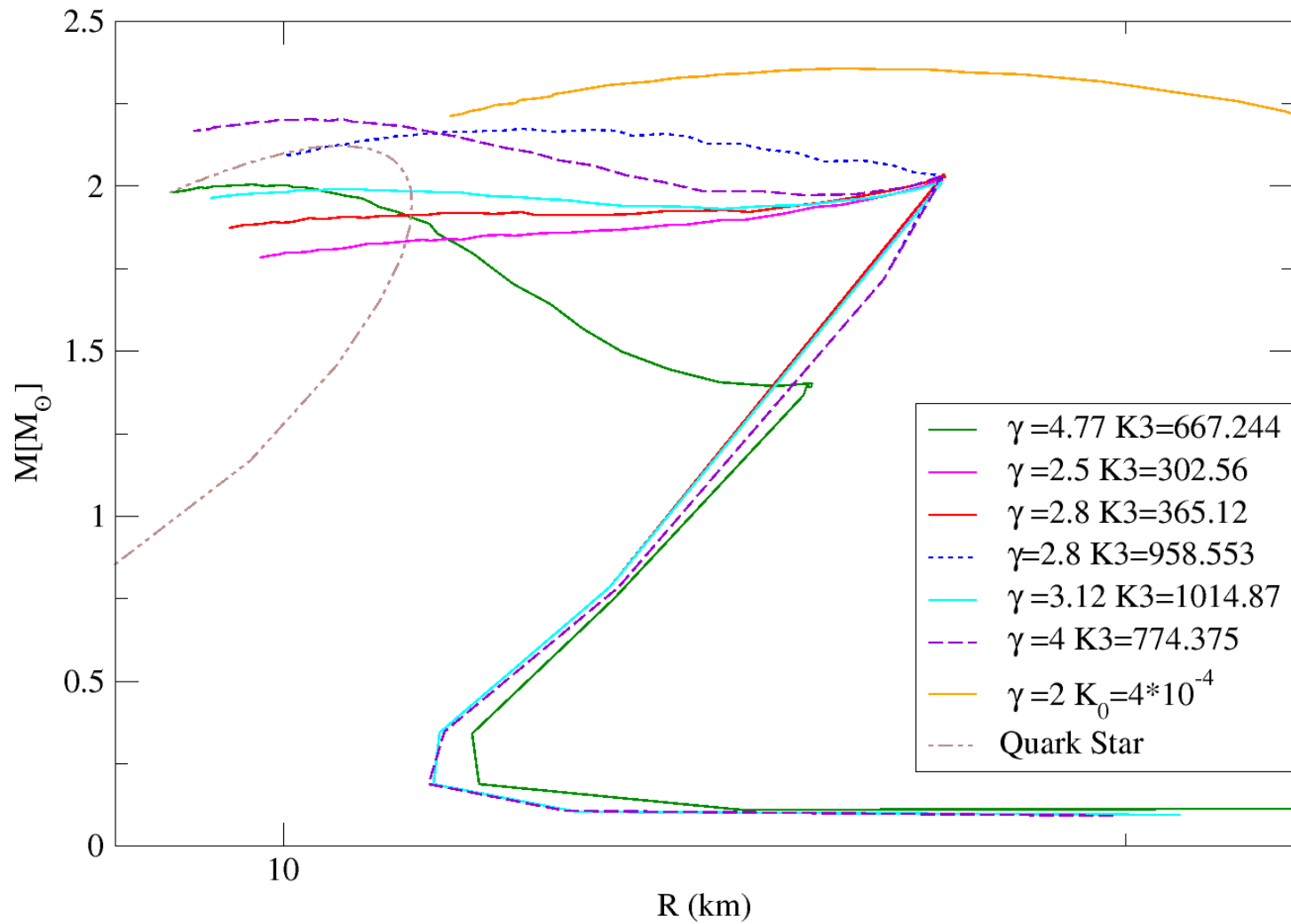
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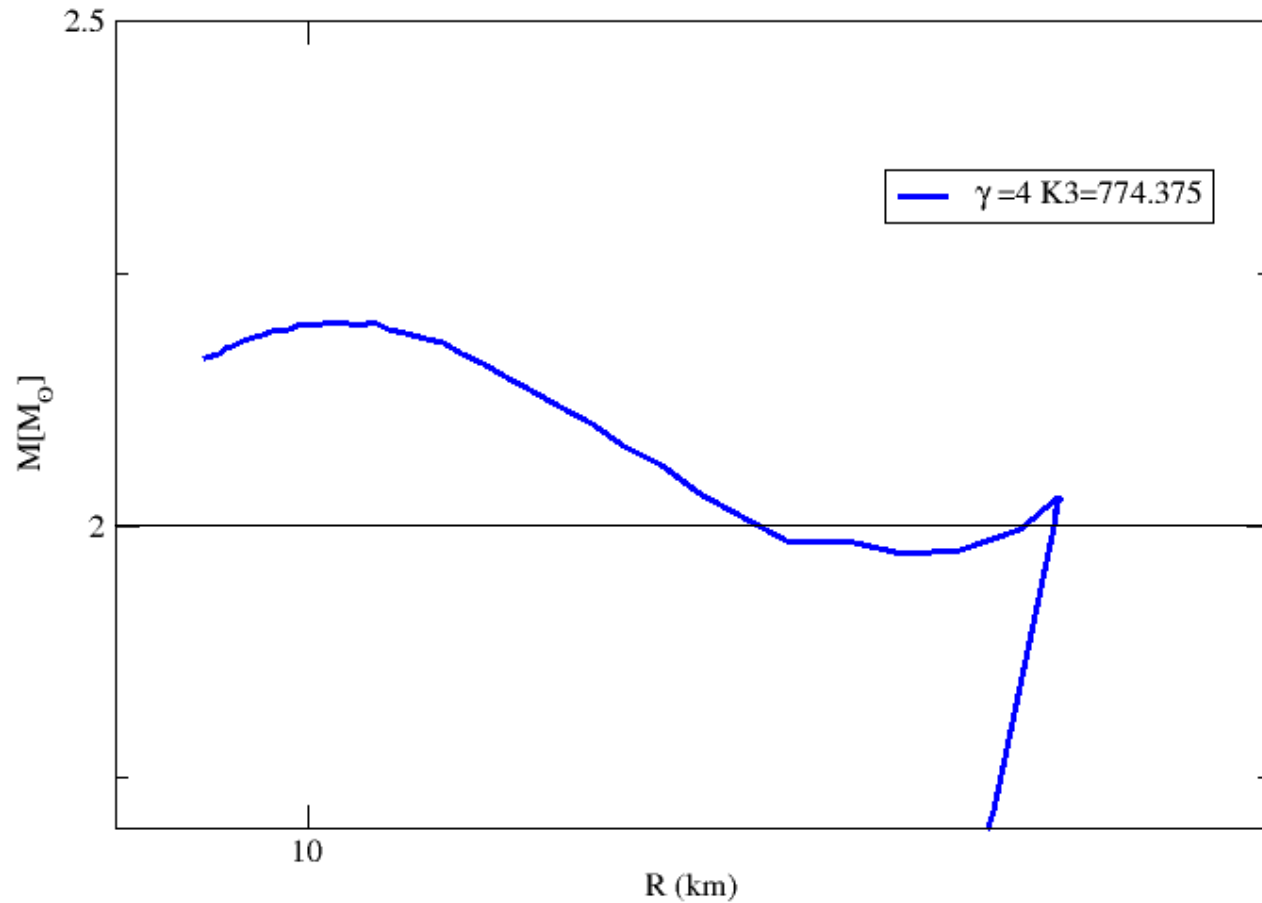


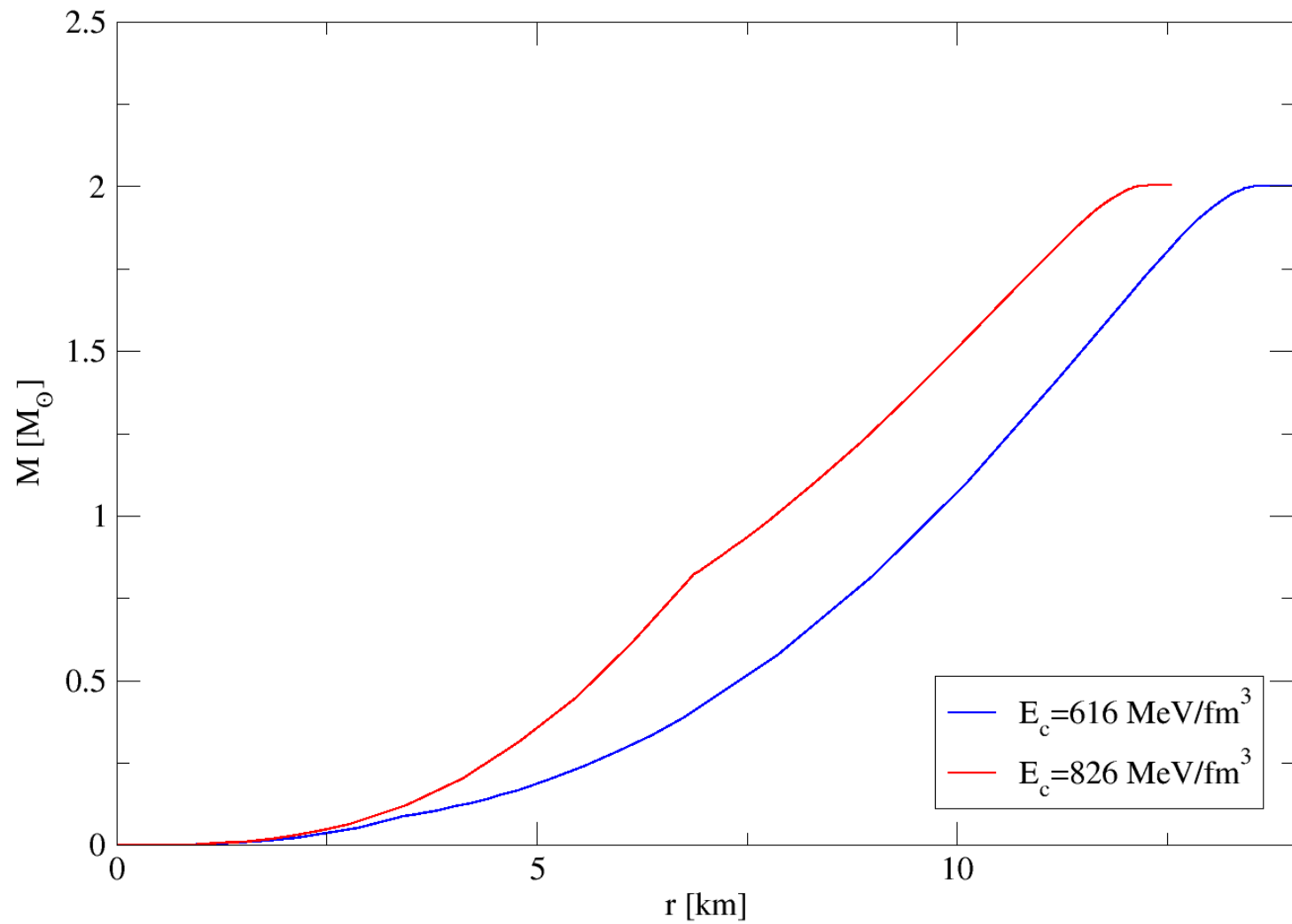


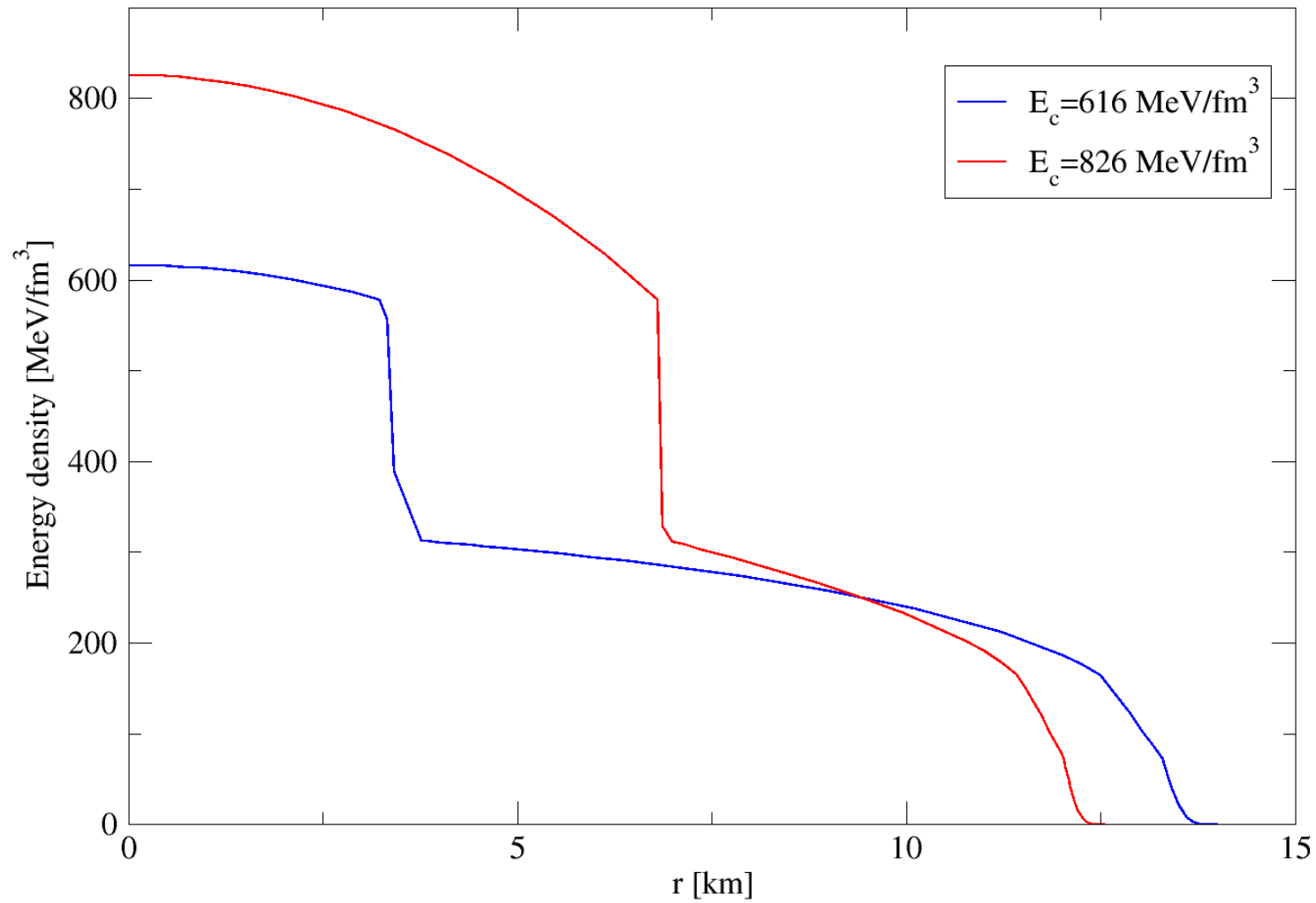


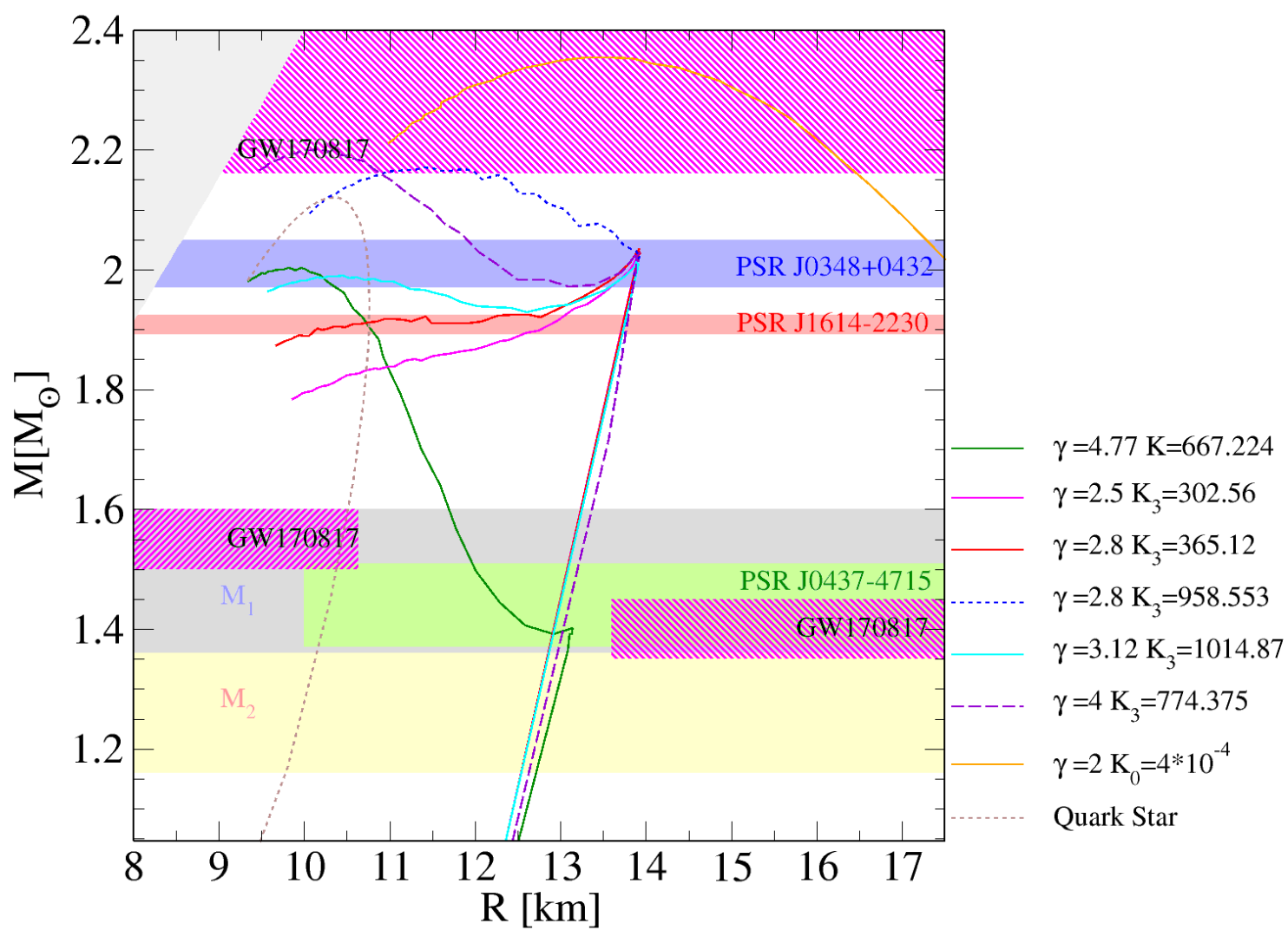


Twin Neutron Stars









Conclusions:

1. Neutron stars observations provide us with indirect constraints on nuclear structure, QGP and other exotic EoS
2. Indirect observations of neutron stars radii can provide us with direct evidence for the existence of twin neutron stars with different internal structure
3. The present constraints allow us to rule out certain EoS and provide us with a tool that can complement experiments such as NICA at studying high-density nuclear matter and QGP

Thank you!

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Questions?