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# Two types of glitches in a solid quark star model

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# Outline

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- Challenges to the theories on pulsar glitches

## The model

- Bulk-variable starquake
- Bulk-invariable starquake

## The result

- Two types of starquakes corresponds to two types of glitches in observation

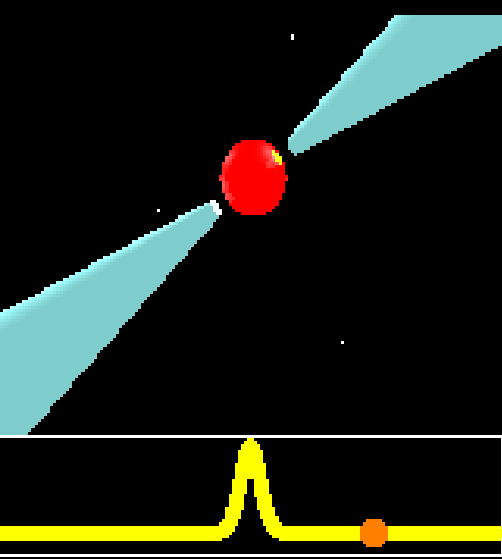
## D & C

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# Pulsar = Neutron Star??

- Wiki tells us “Pulsar is highly magnetized rotating Neutron star”. But not exactly!

MPIfR-Bonn Pulsar Group



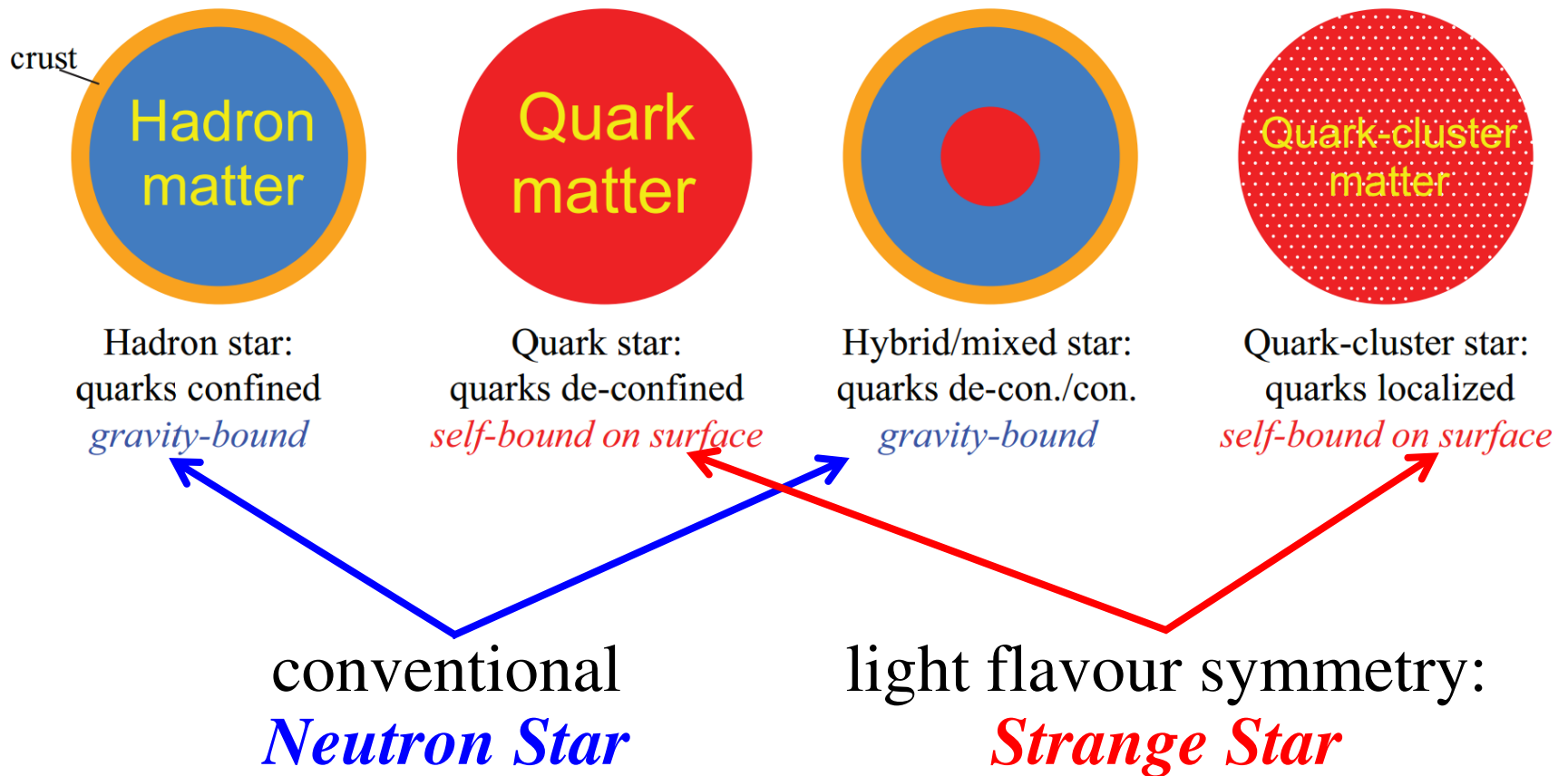
Up: An imaginary model of magnetized rotator model for ‘pulsar’

Twinkle, twinkle, **little star**  
How I wonder **what you are**

Down: An observed profile in the radio telescope, which is ‘a pulsar’.

# Pulsar $\neq$ Neutron star

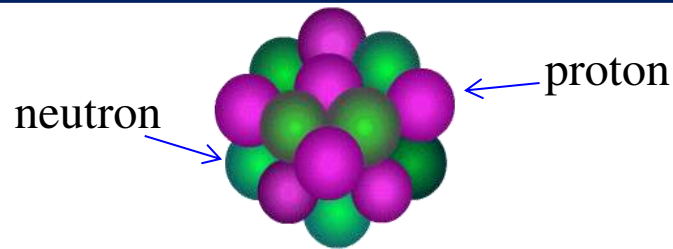
- Different EoS models for pulsars (Xu 2014)



# Puzzling Pulsar Inside: EoS...

- Nucleus and Quark-cluster star:

*differences* and *similarities*



**Self-bound:** by strong int.

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$l \sim \text{fm}$ : electrons outside

$l > \lambda_e$ : electrons inside

2-flavour symmetry: **isospin**

3-flavour symmetry: **strangeness**

light clusters: **p(uud), n(udd)**

heavy clusters: **6(H), 9, 12, 18**

quantum **gas/liquid**

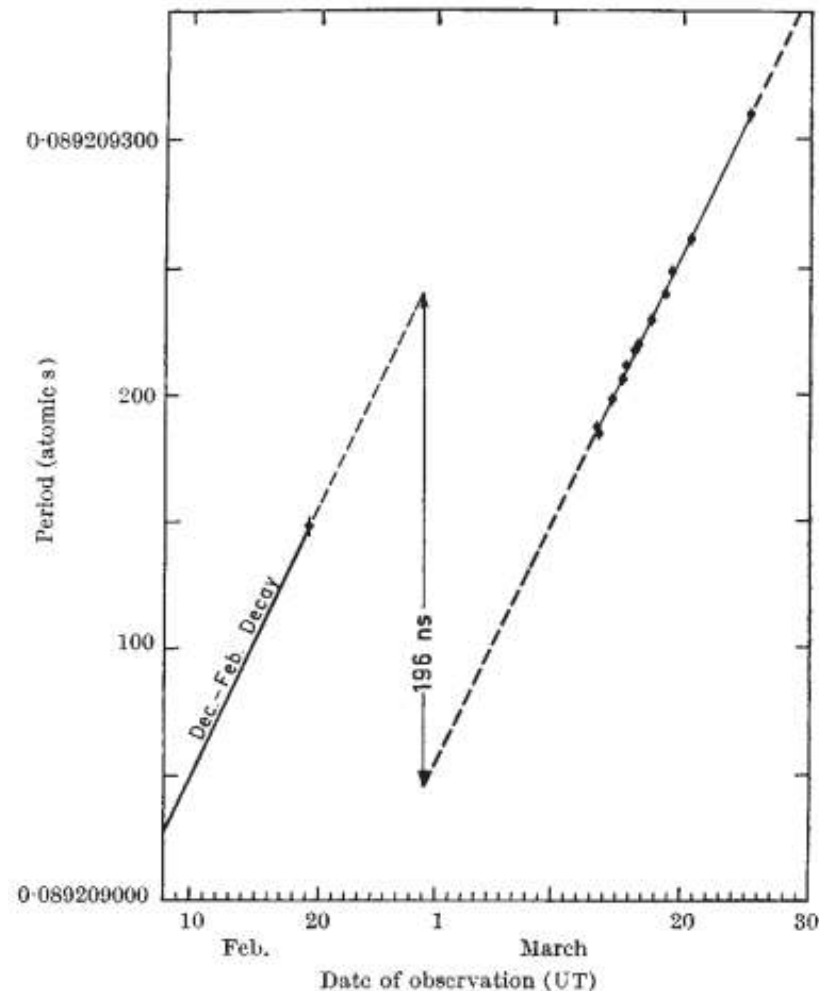
**solid** condensed matter at low-T

# Neutron Star .vs. Quark Star

- From observational point of views:
  - **The absence of spectrum lines in pulsar spectrums**  
Neutron Star : crust with mostly iron atoms. remark: 1E 1207.4-5209 😞  
Quark Star: bare, no atomic structure 😞
  - **The binding energy**  
Neutron Star: gravity/em bound on the surface 😞  
Quark Star: self bound on the surface 😞
  - **The iron core collapse model of Type II supernova**  
Neutron Star: optically thick remark: [arXiv:1501.01961](https://arxiv.org/abs/1501.01961) 😞  
Quark Star: optically thin for neutrino 😞
  - **Glitches**  
to be discussed today...

# Pulsar glitch

- An important phenomenon to help us understand the EoS of dense matter.
- Normal glitch / Slow glitch / Anti glitch ...
- The mechanism is still a matter of debate.

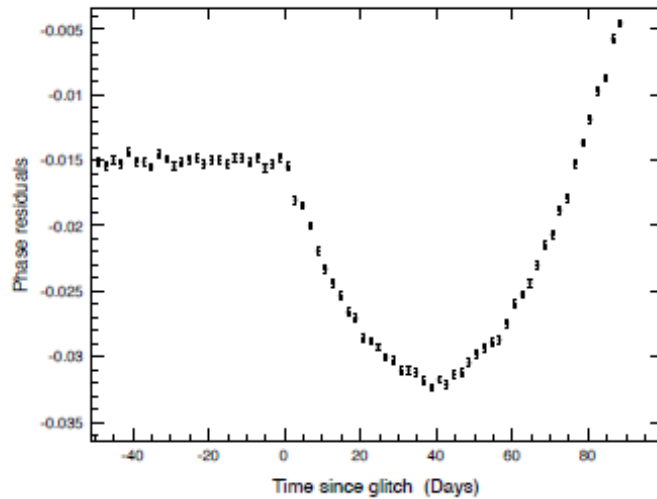


Glitch: sudden **spin up** of pulsars.

First observed on Vela pulsar (1969)

A 195ns decrease in the spin period was detected by Radhakrishnan & Manchester

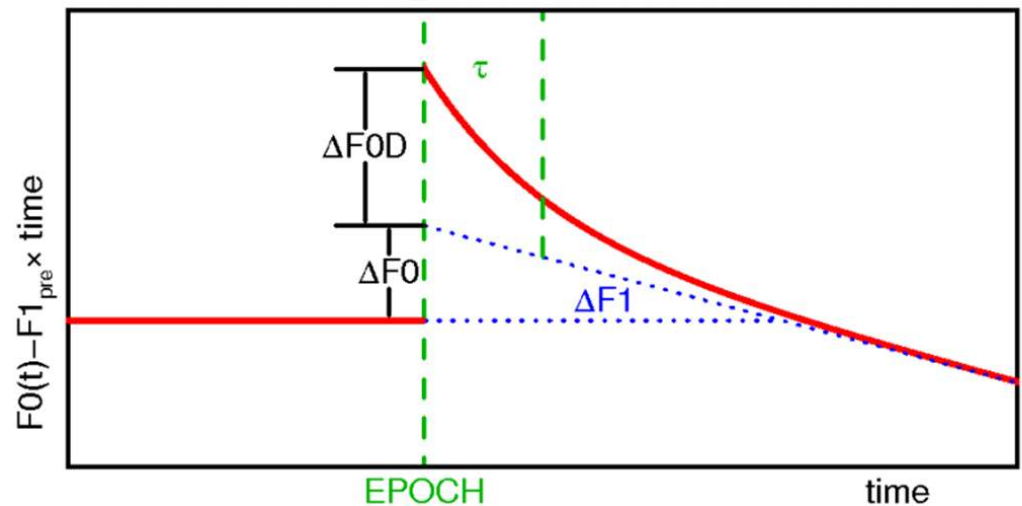
# Pulsar Glitch



The quadratic signature of the timing residuals during the glitch (glitch detectors)

Espinoza et al. 2012

Observational parameters of pulsar glitch





# Pulsar glitch

Pin&unpin model

Coupling and  
decoupling between  
the differential  
rotating crusts

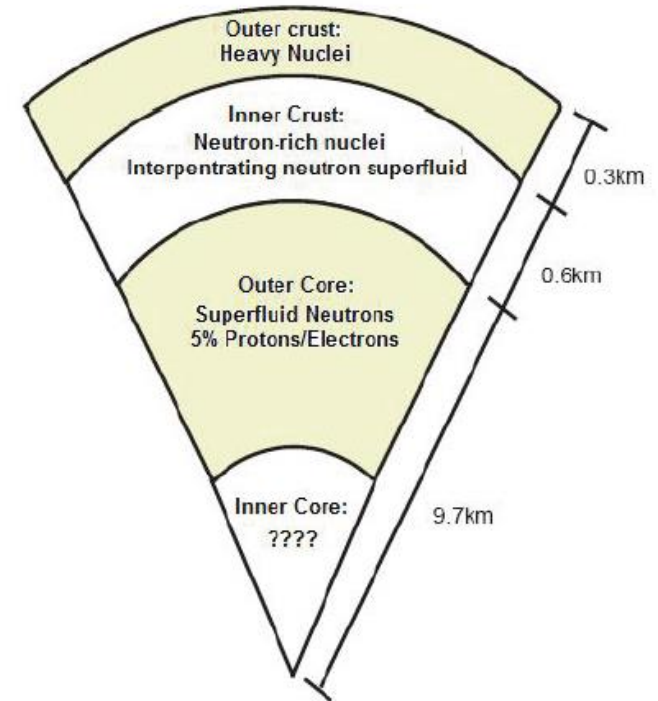
Solid crust cracking model

Starquake induced  
moment of inertia  
change

As the development of glitch observations, more and more challenges to the previous theories remain to be solved.

## Challenge 1

Radiative quiet glitches of Vela pulsar  
 $\delta\nu/\nu \sim 10^{-6}$   
negligible energy release in observations  
(Helfand et al. 2001)



## Challenge 2

Radiative loud glitches of AXP/SGRs  
 $\sim < \delta\nu/\nu \sim 10^{-6}$   
X-ray bursts & radiative anomaly  
(Dip & Kaspi 2014)

# Starquake models in Solid quark stars

## Quakes in solid quark stars

*Zhou A Z, et al.*      2004   Astro-Particle Journal

## Pulsar slow glitches in a solid quark star model

*Peng & Xu*              2008   MNRAS

## Two types of glitches in a solid quark star model

*Zhou E P, et al.*      2014   MNRAS

# The model – bulk variable starquake

## The M-R relation for solid quark stars

Physical scenario

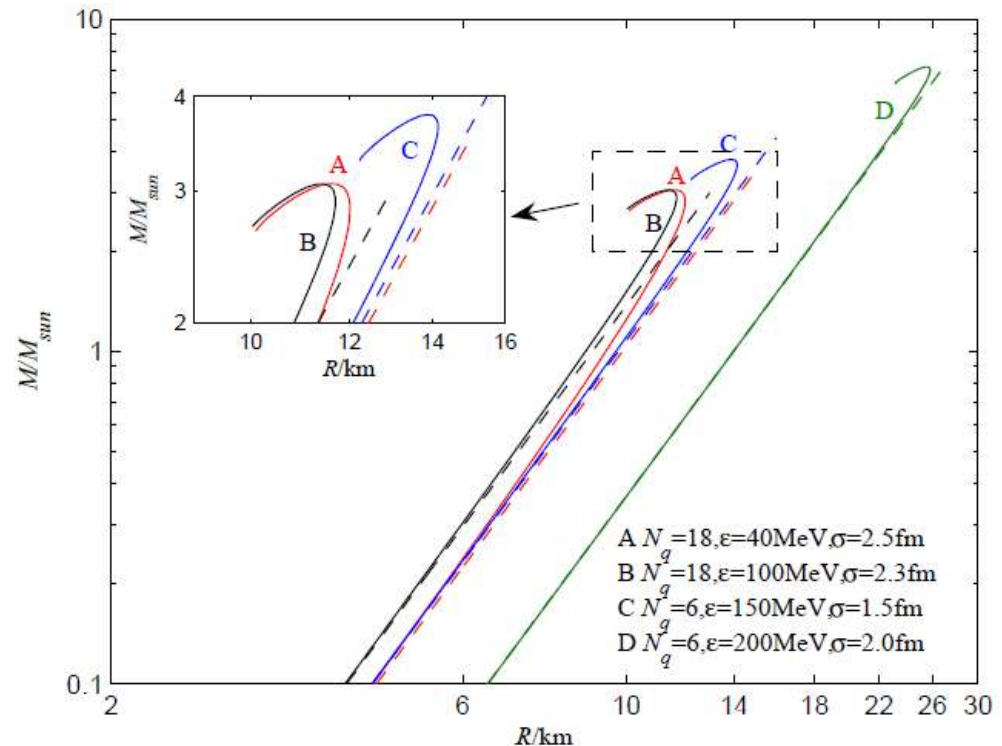
Self-bound (low mass)  $M \sim R^3$



Gravity-bound (high mass)  $M \nearrow R \searrow$

**Exceeding the  $R_m$  by accretion will make a solid star accumulate elastic energy and induce a starquake which can be seen as a global reduce of the radius**

Simulation

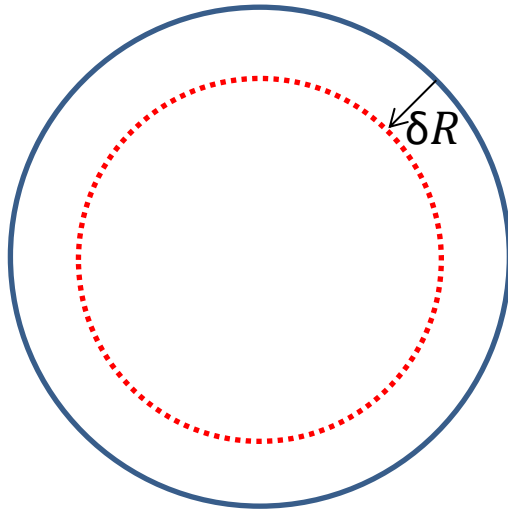


Guo et al. 2014

# Bulk variable starquake

Type II starquake can be treated as a global decrease in  $R$ .

The main parameter in a Type II starquake:  $\delta R$



$\delta E$  w.r.t  $\delta R$

$$\delta E = \left( \frac{3GM^2}{5R} - \frac{L^2}{I} \right) \frac{\delta R}{R}$$

- Gravitational energy of a spheroid + kinetic energy
- Conservation of the angular momentum

$\delta \nu / \nu$  w.r.t  $\delta R$

$$\frac{\delta \omega}{\omega} = -\frac{\delta I}{I} = -\frac{2\delta R}{R}.$$

- The moment of inertia of a spheroid

Result

$$|\delta E| = \frac{3GM^2}{10R} \frac{\delta \nu}{\nu} \sim 10^{47} \text{ erg} \left( \frac{M}{1.4 M_{\odot}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{R}{10^6 \text{ cm}} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{\delta \nu}{\nu} / 10^{-6} \right)$$

- The gravitational energy is much larger than the kinetic energy

# The model – bulk invariable starquake

The stable shape of a rotating star will be ellipsoid instead of spheroid.

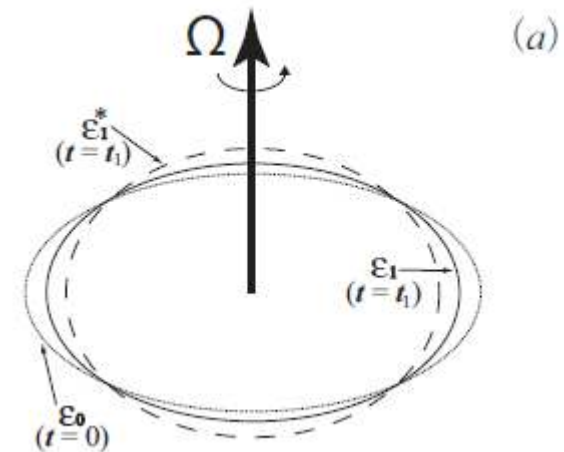
$$E_{total} = E_k + E_g + E_{el} = E_0 + \frac{L^2}{2I} + A\varepsilon^2 + B(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_0)^2$$

The key parameter in a Type I starquake:  $\varepsilon = (I - I_0)/I_0$

For a rotating star with certain density  $\rho$ , the relation between ellipticity and angular velocity is

$$\Omega^2 = 2\pi G\rho \left[ \frac{\sqrt{1-e^2}}{e^3} (3-2e^2) \sin^{-1} e - \frac{3(1-e^2)}{e^2} \right]$$

Remark: Jacobi ellipsoid for extremely fast spinning pulsars



# The model – bulk invariable starquake

## The evolution between two glitches

$t=0$  Solidification or the end of previous glitch

- No elastic energy

$t=0 \sim t=t_1$  Normal spin down phase

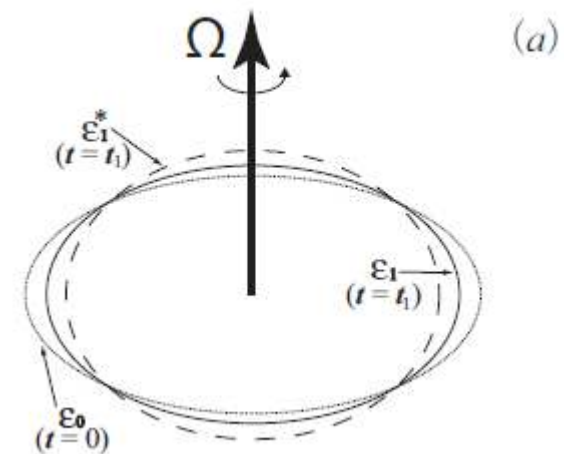
- The difference between  $\varepsilon$  and  $\varepsilon_{mac}$
- Elastic energy accumulated

$t=t_1-0$  The glitch epoch

- Elastic energy reaches the critical value

$t=t_1+0$  Glitch

- The elastic energy is released and the pulsar can be treated as fluid
- The shape changes and a new equilibrium is set up at the end of the glitch



# The model – bulk invariable starquake

$$\delta E \text{ w.r.t } \delta \varepsilon \quad E_{\text{ela}} < \frac{B}{2(A+B)} |\delta E_k| (\varepsilon_0 - \varepsilon_1)$$

- The condition of quasi-equilibria during the normal spin down:  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial \varepsilon} = 0$

$$\delta \nu / \nu \text{ w.r.t } \delta \varepsilon \quad \frac{\delta \Omega}{\Omega} = -\frac{\delta I}{I} = -\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{1 + \varepsilon}$$

- Conservation of angular momentum

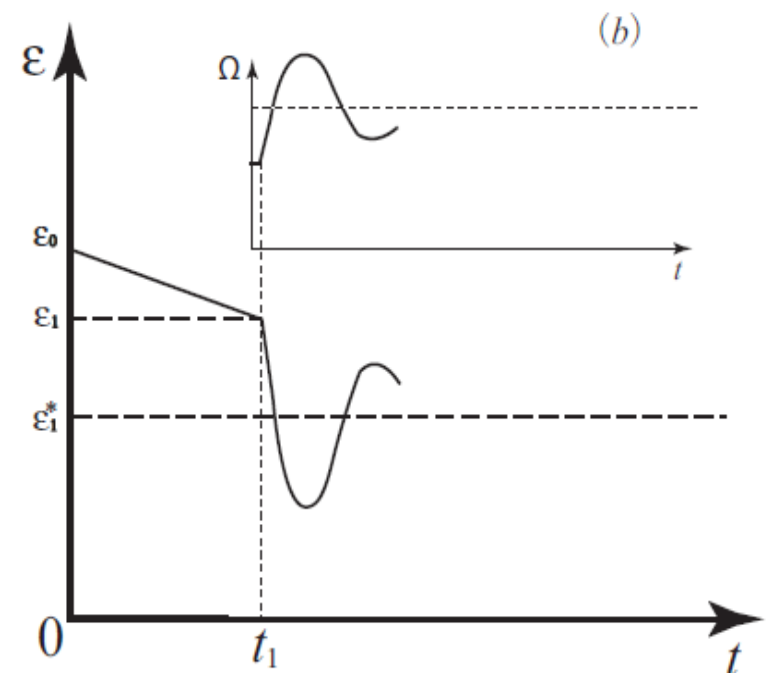
$$\delta \varepsilon \ll \varepsilon \ll 1$$

- The evolution of  $\varepsilon$   $\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_0 = -\frac{A}{B} \frac{\delta \Omega}{\Omega}$

result

$$\delta E \sim 4 \times 10^{36} \text{ erg} \left( \frac{t}{10^6 \text{ s}} \right) \left( \frac{\delta \nu}{\nu} / 10^{-6} \right)$$

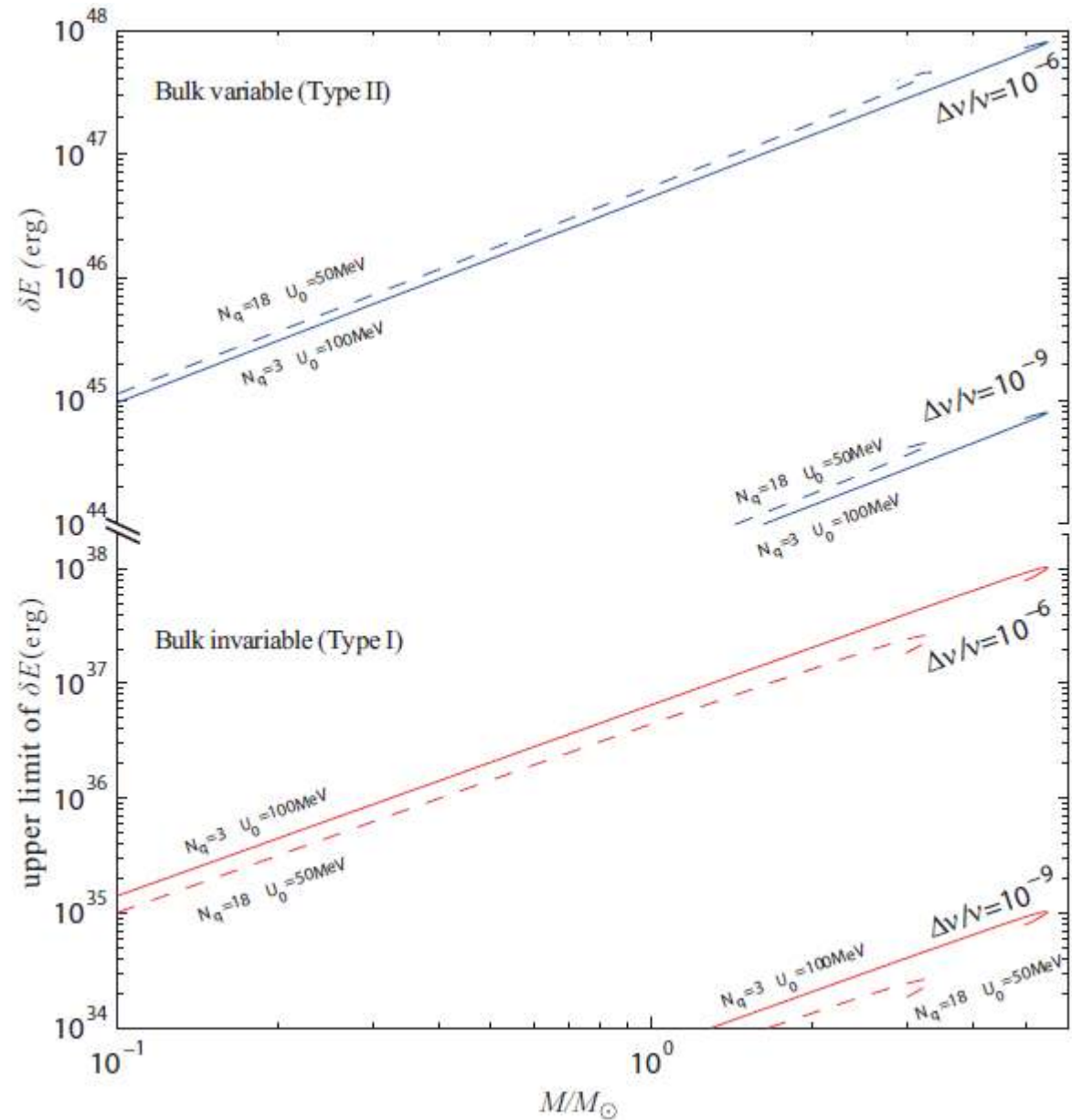
- Note that the spin down power and interval between two glitches also affect the energy released
- The observational data of Vela is applied



# The result

EoS by  
Lai & Xu 2009

Parameters set to fit the  
observation of Vela





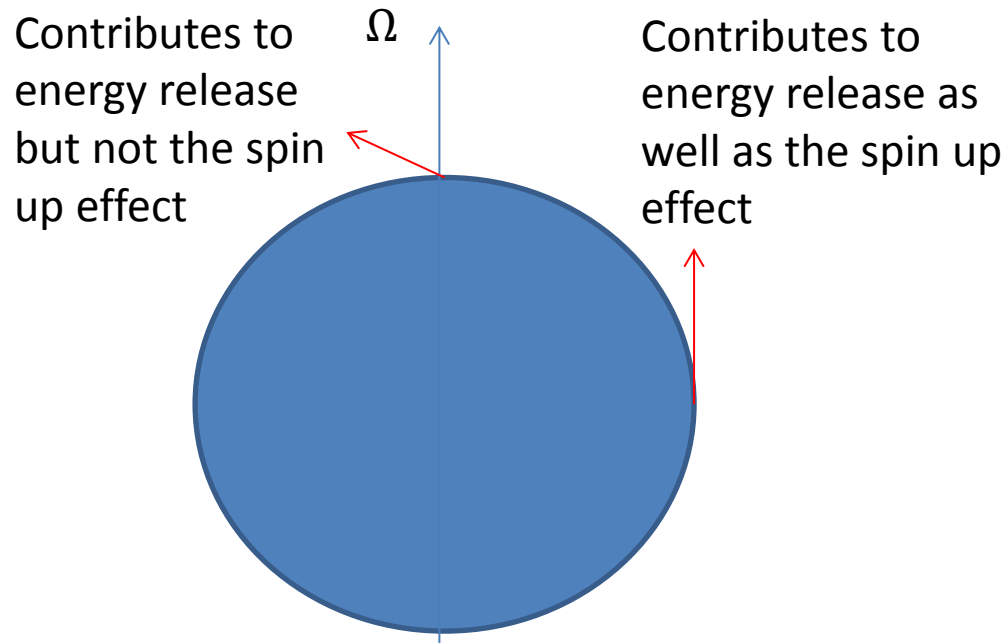
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fainter than the first). Thus, the  $3\sigma$  limit on any increase in the pulsar luminosity in response to energy input from the glitch is less than  $1.2 \times 10^{30} \text{ ergs s}^{-1}$  or  $\Delta T \sim 0.2\%$ , 35 days ( $3 \times 10^6 \text{ s}$ ) after the event.<sup>2</sup> The lower half of Figure 5

$$4 \times 10^{36} / (3 \times 10^6) = 1.3 \times 10^{30} \text{ erg/s}$$

Zhou et al. 2014

Helfand et al. 2001



# Discussion

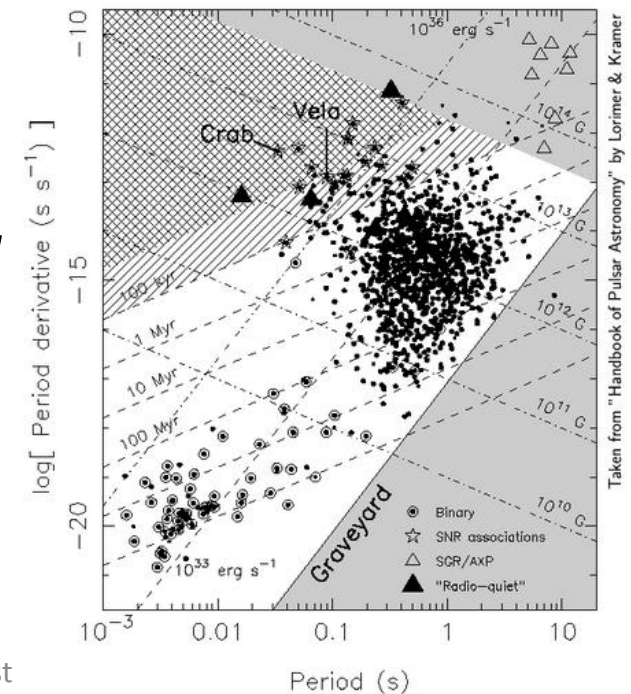
- AXP/SGRs: observational hints of accretion (Wang et al. 2006)  
slow rotators ( $\sim 10\text{s}$ )  
fall back disc + quark star model (Tong & Xu 2011)

*implies* **Type II**

- Vela like pulsars: no hints for accretion  
fast rotators ( $\sim < 1\text{s}$ )

*implies* **Type I**

- Possible mechanism for Anti-glitches?



# Discussion

- The neutron star crust cracking model (Baym & Pines 1976) failed to explain the glitch on Vela because of the short intervals ( $\sim 1$  month, for largest glitches  $\sim 1$  year)

$$t_{\text{interval}} = \frac{2(A + B) \left(\frac{A}{B}\right) \left(\frac{\Delta\Omega}{\Omega}\right)}{I\Omega\dot{\Omega}}.$$

For quark stars it's no longer a problem because the entire star is in solid state, what matters is the initial ellipticity when the pulsar became solid.

Suggesting that the initial ellipticity for Vela is 0.01 ( $P \sim 4\text{ms}$ ), there could be  $10^4$  glitches with  $\Delta\Omega/\Omega \sim 10^{-6}$  during the lifetime of Vela, which is coincident with the observation.

# Conclusion

- There should be two types of **starquakes** in a solid quark star model : Type I (bulk invariable) & Type II (bulk variable)
- We figure out the **energy release** of the two types of starquakes, and find out that Type II starquake is much more energetic than Type I.
- Considering other observational features, we think that the two types of **glitches** in a solid quark star model can account for the two types of glitches in observation.

- Thanks!