

# P- and CP-odd effects in heavy ion collisions



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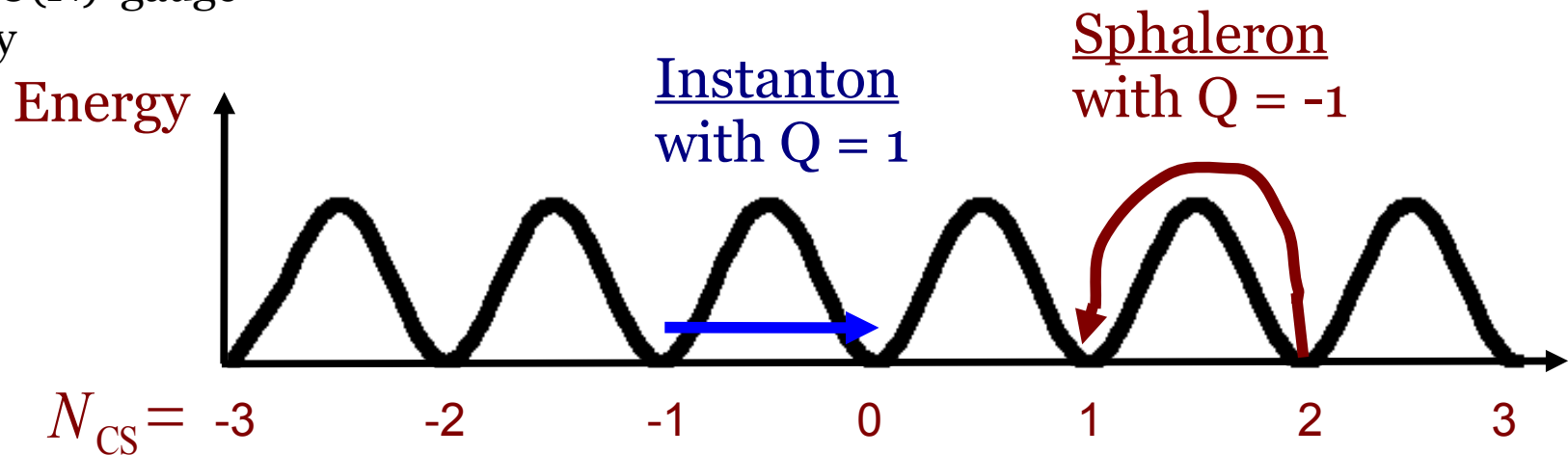
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The nontrivial vacuum structure of a SU(N) gauge theory



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$\langle Q^2 \rangle \neq 0$  Mass of eta-prime meson. ('t Hooft, Witten, Veneziano)

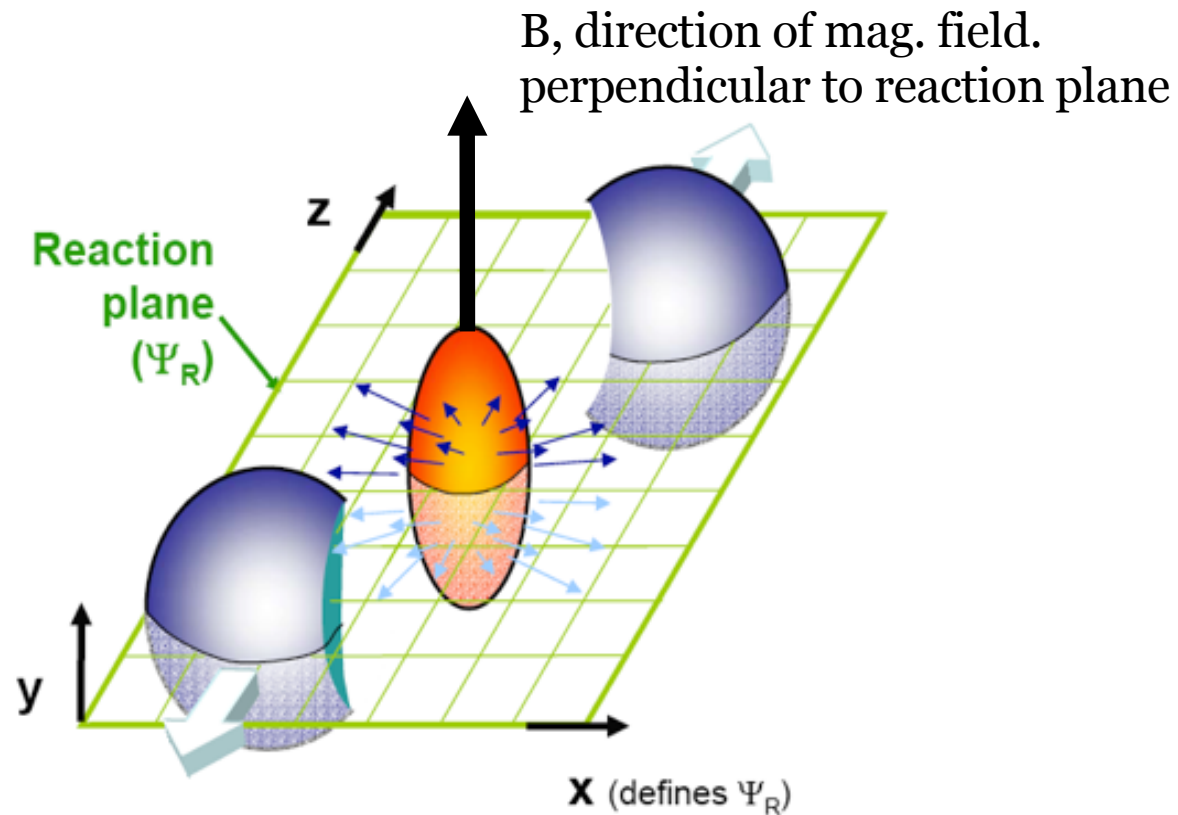
$$\frac{2N_f}{f_\pi^2 V_4} \langle Q^2 \rangle = m_{\eta'}^2 + m_\eta^2 - 2m_K^2$$

$\langle Q \rangle = 0$  Neutron electric dipole moment (Baker et.al. ('06))

$|\theta| < 10^{-10}$  No P- and CP-violation in QCD!  
But Q can induce P- and CP-odd effects.

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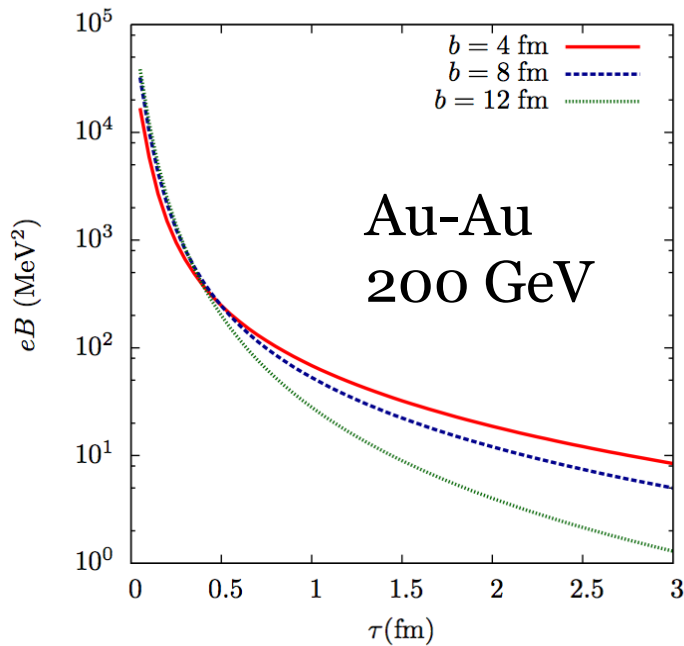
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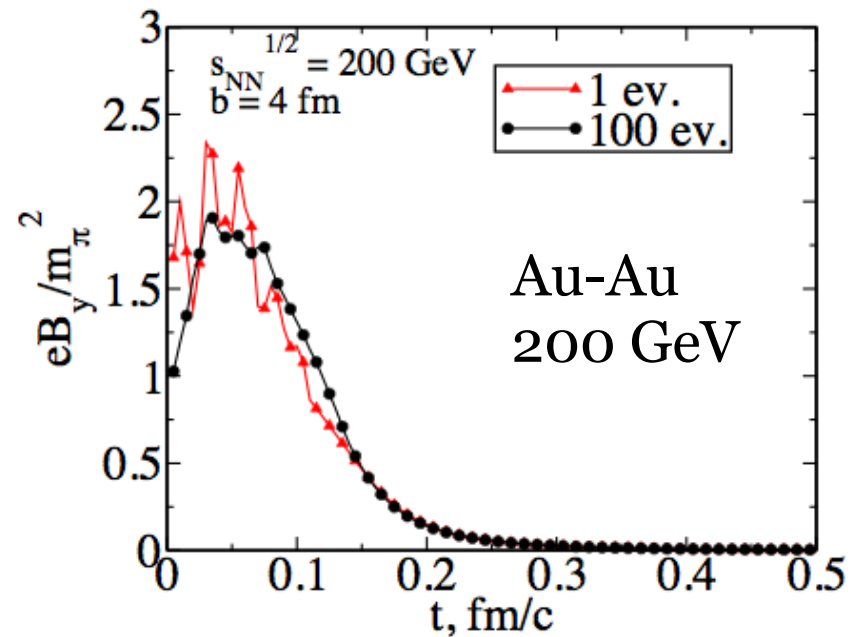
Gold – Gold collision: two currents which carry 79 charges each

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Pancake approximation  
Kharzeev, McLerran & HJW ('08)



URQMD calculation  
Skokov, Illarionov, Toneev ('09)

$$eB(\tau = 0.2 \text{ fm/c}) \approx 10^3 \sim 10^4 \text{ MeV}^2 \approx 10^{17} \text{ G}$$

See also Minakata and Müller ('96)

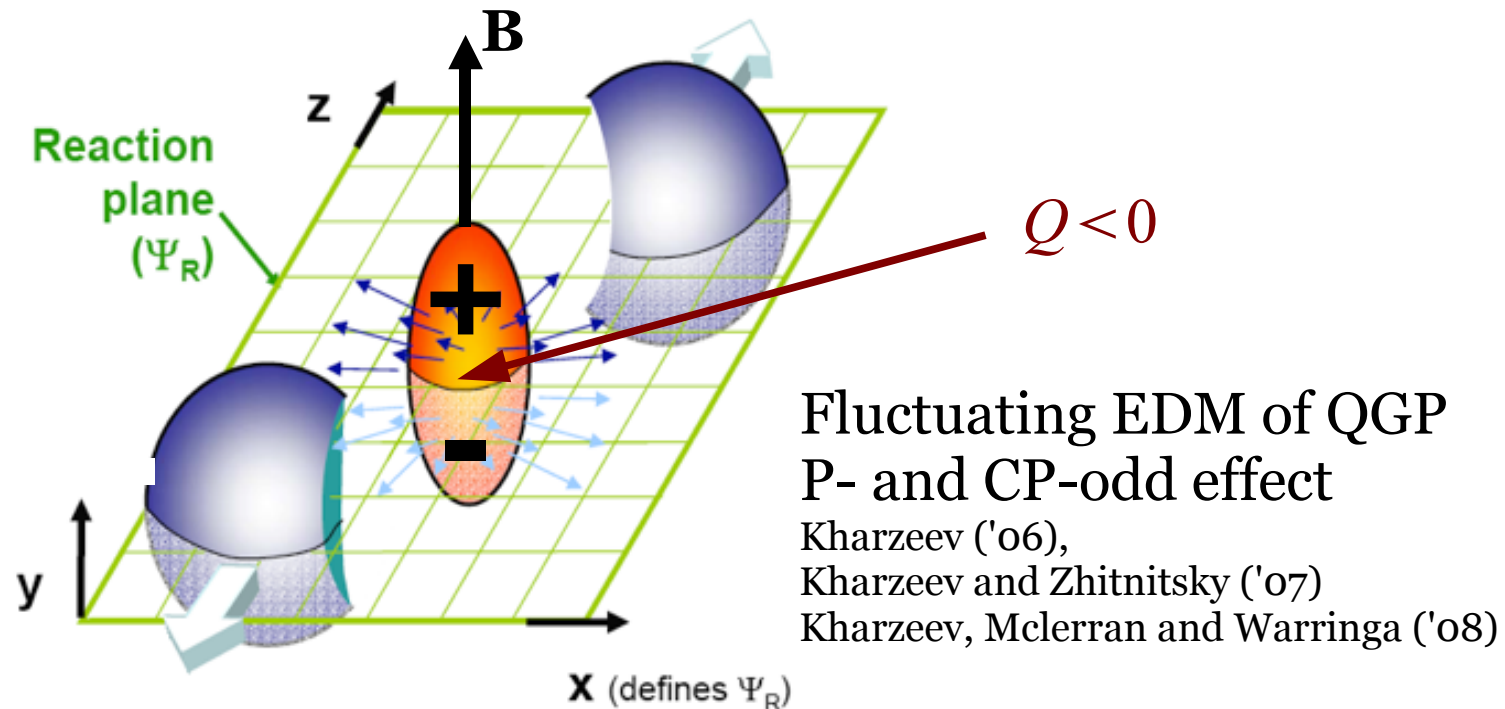
# Outline

To explain you that

Topological charge + Magnetic Field =

$$\langle Q \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle Q^2 \rangle \neq 0$$



## Charge separation

This can potentially be observed in experiment by charge correlation study [Voloshin ('04)]

# Topological charge induces chirality

This is the P- and CP-odd effect

Chirality: difference between number of quarks + antiquarks with right- and left-handed helicity



momentum

$$N_5 = \# \begin{matrix} \text{spin} \\ \nearrow \\ \text{q}_R \\ \searrow \end{matrix} + \# \begin{matrix} \text{spin} \\ \nearrow \\ \bar{\text{q}}_R \\ \searrow \end{matrix} - \# \begin{matrix} \text{spin} \\ \nwarrow \\ \text{q}_L \\ \searrow \\ \text{momentum} \end{matrix} - \# \begin{matrix} \text{spin} \\ \nwarrow \\ \bar{\text{q}}_L \\ \searrow \\ \text{momentum} \end{matrix}$$

Relativistic fermions

Axial anomaly: topological charge induces chirality

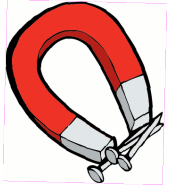
Steinberger ('49), Schwinger ('51), Adler ('69), Bell and Jackiw ('69)

$$\partial_\mu \langle \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi \rangle_A = 2m \langle \bar{\psi} i \gamma^5 \psi \rangle_A - 2 \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} F_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu a} \quad \text{Exact equation}$$

Change in chirality over time for each flavor = - 2 x Topological charge

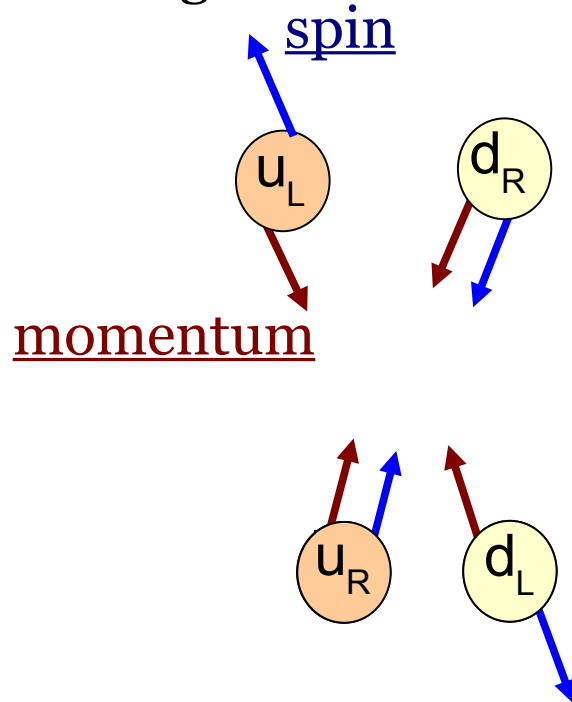
$$\Delta N_5 = -2Q$$

# Magnetic field induces polarization

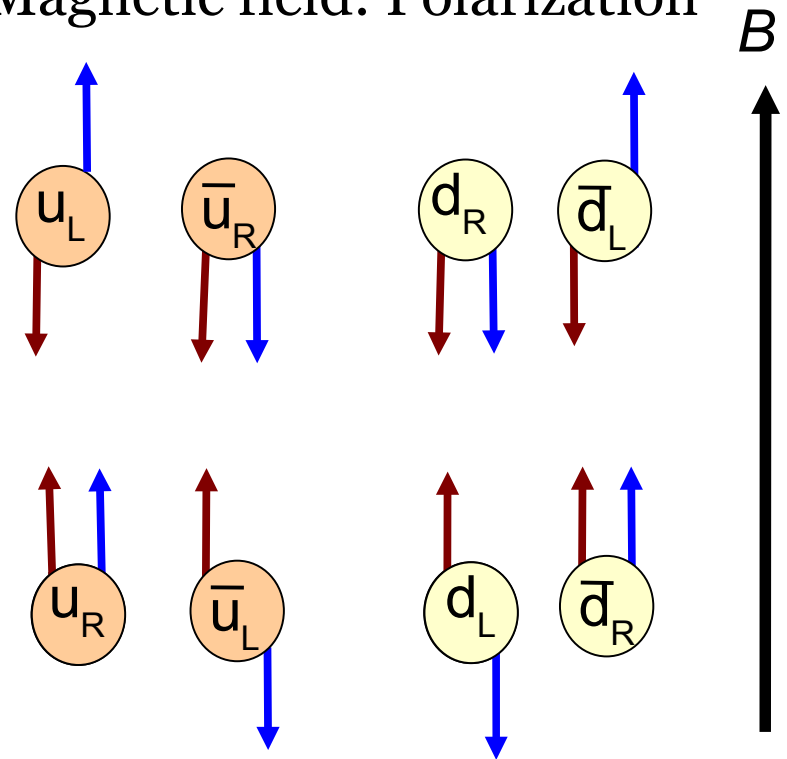


Magnetic field aligns spins, depending on electric charge

No Magnetic Field: No polarization



Magnetic field: Polarization



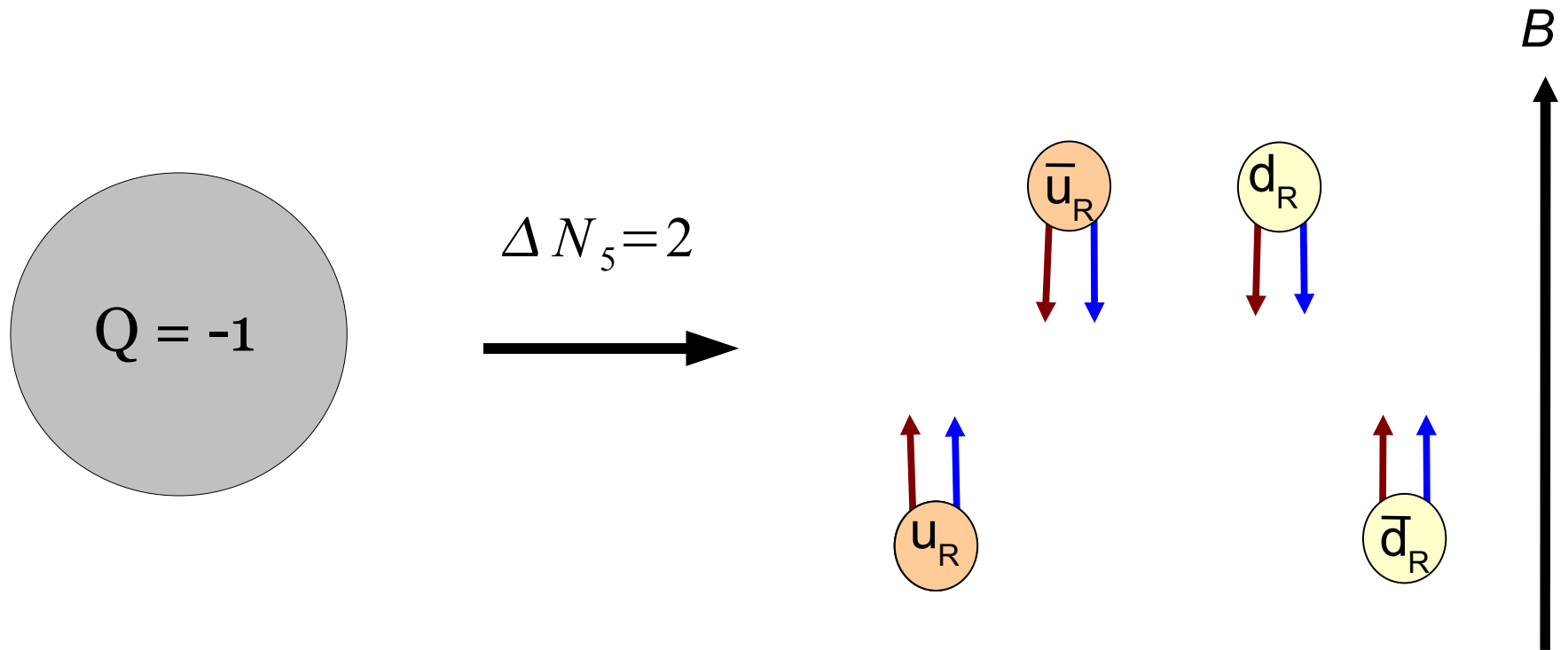
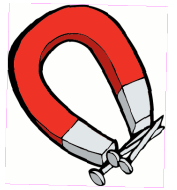
The momenta of the quarks align along the magnetic field

Quark with R-helicity obtains momentum opposite to one with L-helicity

Hence magnetic field distinguishes between right and left



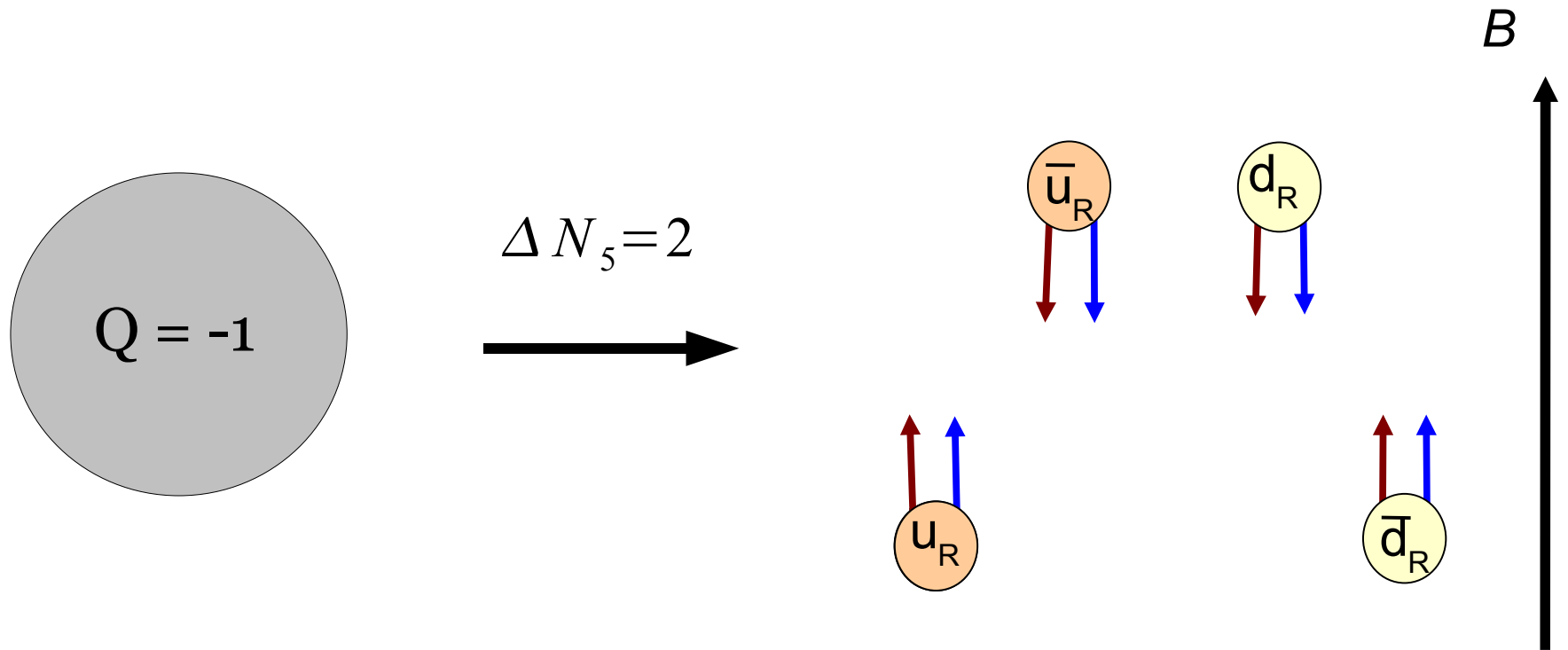
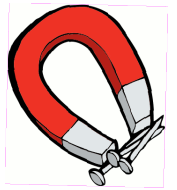
Topological Charge + Magnetic field =  
Chirality + Polarization =



$Q < -1$ : Positively charged particles move parallel to magnetic field,  
negatively charged antiparallel

... = Electromagnetic Current

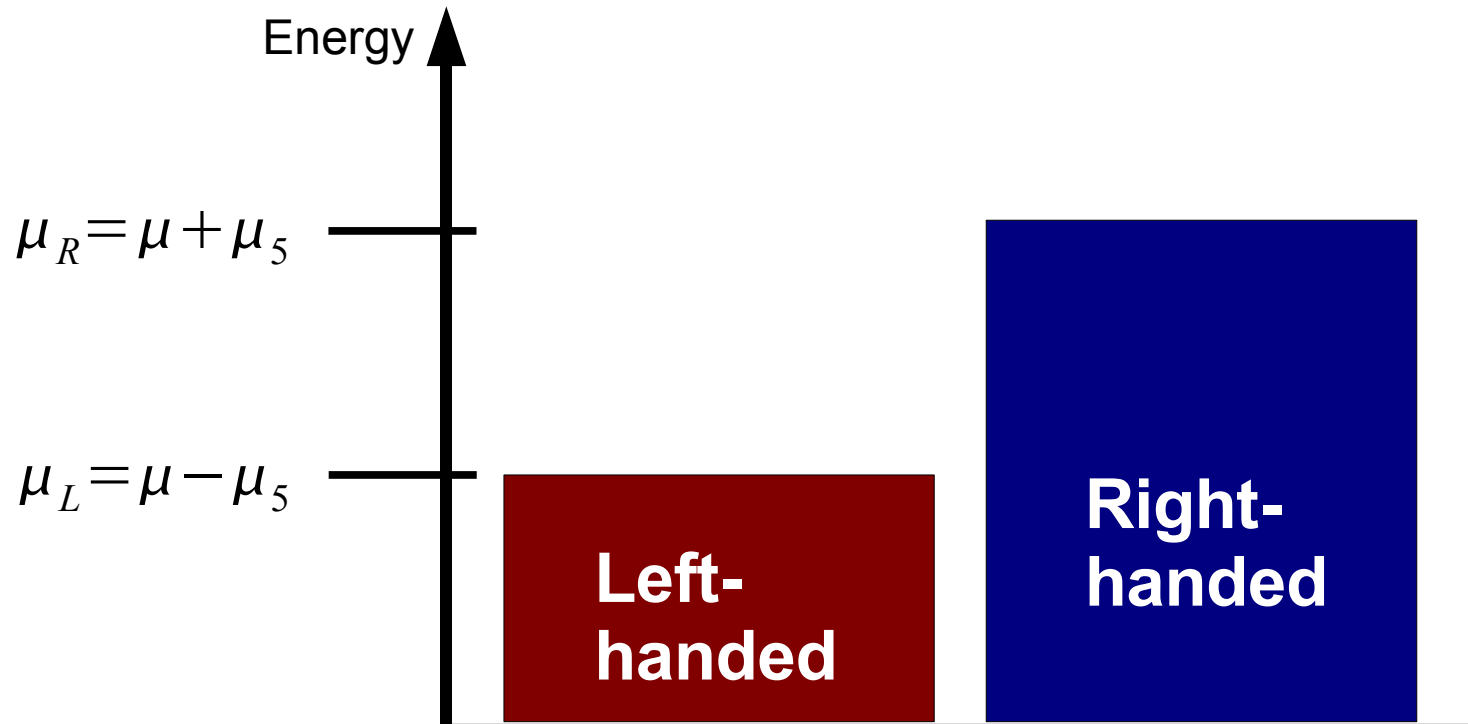
# Topological Charge + Magnetic field = Chirality + Polarization =



**Size of Current:**  $J = \int d^3 x \langle \bar{\psi} \gamma^3 \psi \rangle = -2Q \sum_f |q_f|$

Valid for full polarization, what about smaller fields?

# How chirality reacts to magnetic field



Nonzero Chirality: Nonzero chiral chemical potential  $\mu_5$

$$H \rightarrow H - \mu_5 \int d^3 x \bar{\psi} \gamma^0 \gamma^5 \psi$$

Compute induced current in magnetic field

# Magnitude of the induced current

Alekseev, Cheianov, Fröhlich ('98), Fukushima, Kharzeev and HJW ('08)

1. Energy conservation  $j = \frac{N_c \sum_f q_f^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5 B$   
Nielsen and Ninomiya ('83)

2. Density in Lowest Landau Level  $j = \frac{N_c \sum_f q_f^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5 B$   
See also Metlitsky and Zhitnitsky ('06)

3. Chern-Simons term  $j = \frac{N_c \sum_f q_f^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5 B$

4. Thermodynamic potential  $j = \frac{N_c \sum_f q_f^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5 B$

5. Linear response  $j = \frac{N_c \sum_f q_f^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5 B$

6. Propagator in magnetic field  $j = \frac{N_c \sum_f q_f^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5 B$

Result follows from EM axial anomaly. Therefore exact and independent of coupling strength.  
Anomaly induced currents: c.f. Goldstone and Wilczek ('81)

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$$j = \frac{N_c \sum_f q_f^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5 B$$

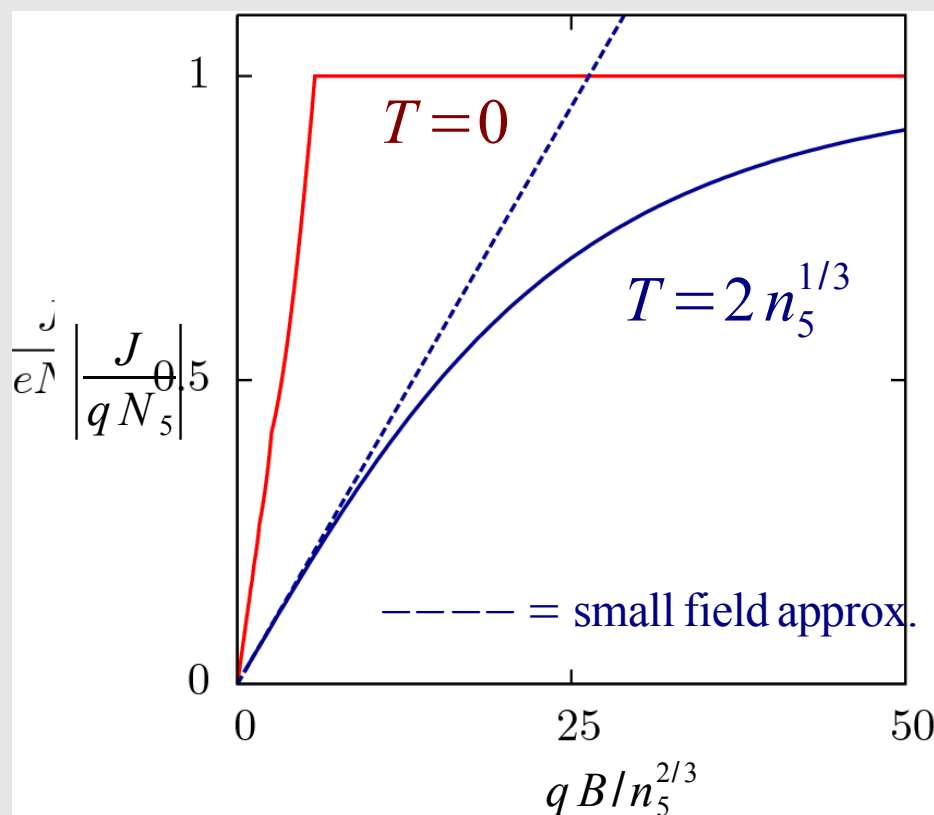
But what is  $\mu_5$  ?

$$n_5 = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mu_5}$$

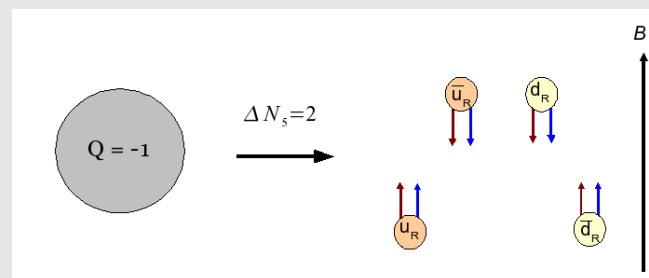
$$N_5 = -2Q$$

Computed at high T (lo. pert. QCD)

Current as a function of magnetic field



Strong fields:



$$J = -2Q \sum_f |q_f|$$

----- = small field approx. :

$$J = -\frac{3}{\pi^2} \frac{Q}{T^2 + \mu^2 / \pi^2} B \sum_f q_f^2$$

# Chiral Magnetic Effect in time-dep. field

Kharzeev and HJW ('09)

$$\vec{j} = \sigma_E \vec{E} \quad \sigma_E = \text{electrical conductivity}$$

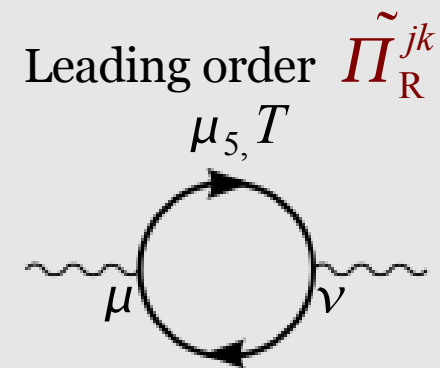
$$\vec{j} = \sigma_\chi \vec{B} \quad \sigma_\chi = \text{chiral magnetic conductivity}$$

Compute induced current using linear response

$$\langle j^\mu(x) \rangle = \int d^4 x' \Pi_R^{\mu\nu}(x-x') A_\nu(x') + o(A_\mu^2)$$

$$\sigma_\chi(\omega) = \lim_{p^i \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2i p^i} \epsilon^{ijk} \tilde{\Pi}_R^{jk}(\omega, p)$$

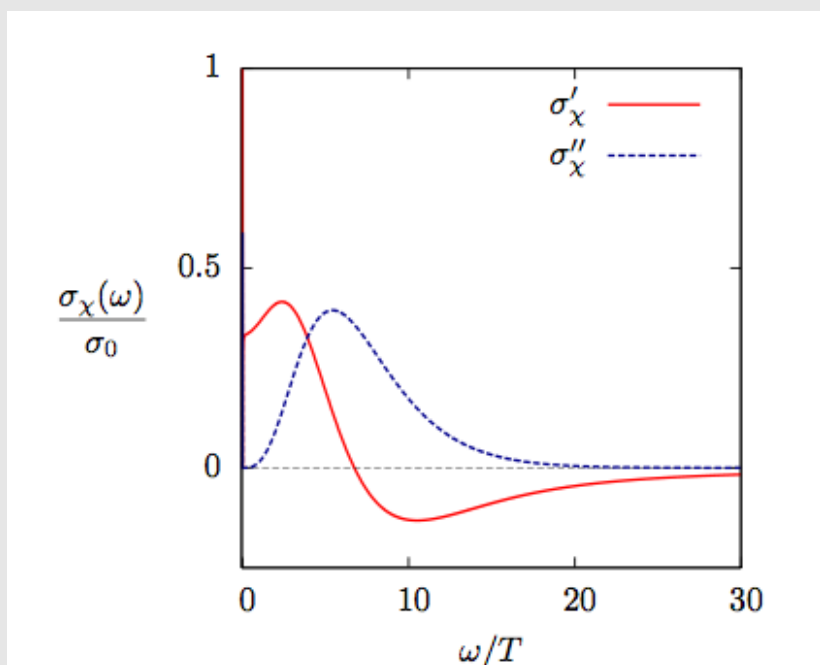
Off diagonal, antisymmetric part of  
photon polarization tensor. Nonzero with  $\mu_5$



# CM conductivity: weak vs. strong coupling

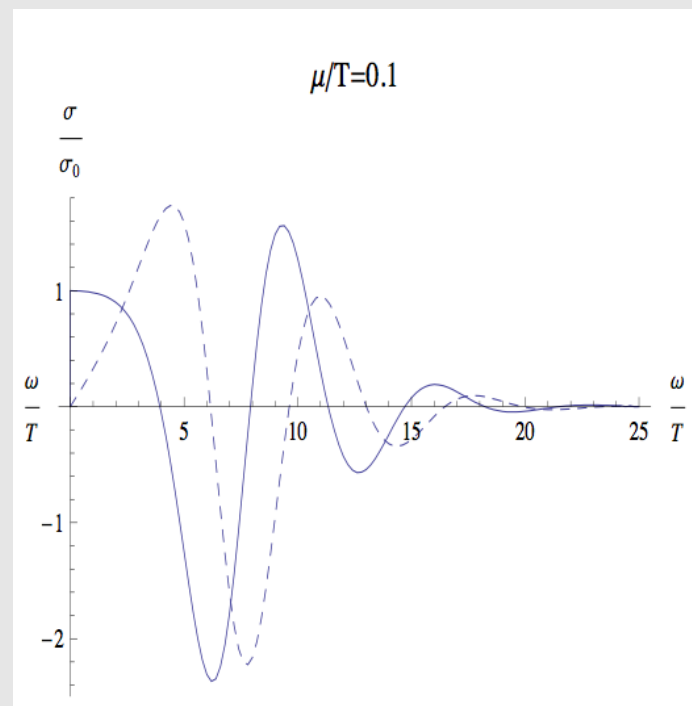
Displayed: normalized conductivity as a function of frequency.  $\sigma_0 = \frac{N_c \sum_f q_f^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5$

Weak coupling  
(1 loop pert. QCD)



Kharzeev and HJW ('09)

Strong coupling  
(holographic model of QCD)



Ho-Ung Yee ('09)

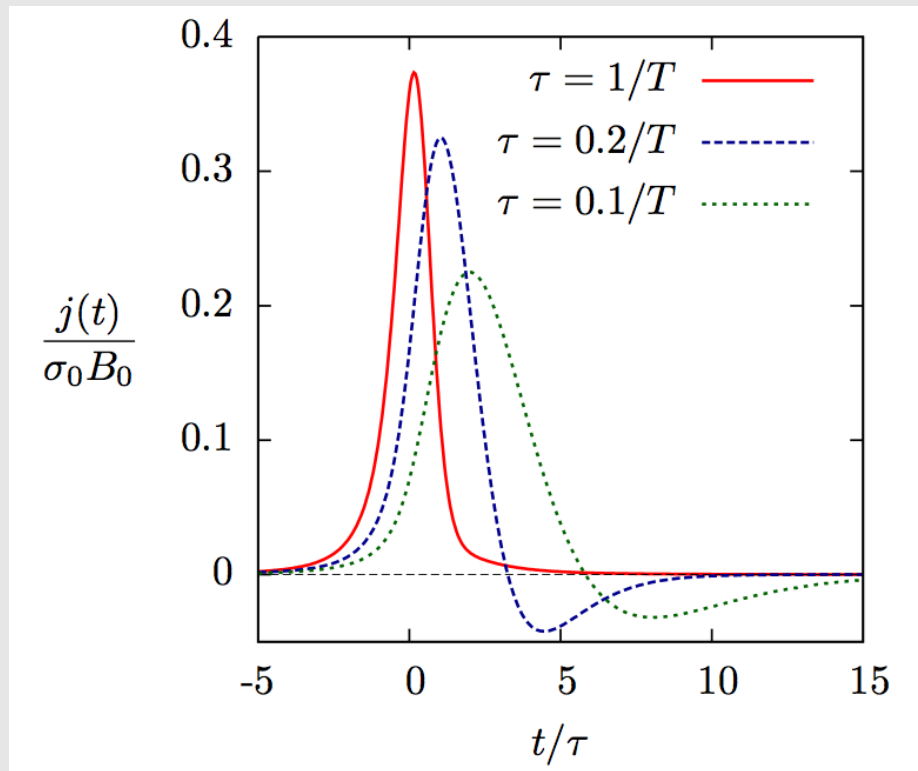
Real part: in-phase response, imaginary part: 90 degrees out of phase response

# Chiral Magnetic Effect in time-dep. field

Kharzeev and HJW ('09)

$$j(t) = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{\pi} [\sigma'_x(\omega) \cos(\omega t) + \sigma''_x(\omega) \sin(\omega t)] \tilde{B}(\omega)$$

Current: const. chirality + time dep. mag. field  $B(t) = \frac{B_0}{[1 + (t/\tau)^2]^{3/2}}$



Red: current in slowly changing fields, adiabatic appr. = ok

Blue and green curves, faster changing mag field, but still induced current.

Even stronger response in strongly coupled regime.

Conclusion: also sizable current in fast changing magnetic field



# Chiral Magnetic Effect: other methods

## Lattice QCD:

Buividovich, Chernodub, Luschevskaya and Polikarpov ('09)  
Abramczyk, Blum, Petropoulos and Zhou ('09)

## AdS/CFT:

H.U. Yee ('09)  
Rebhan, Schmitt and Stricker ('09)

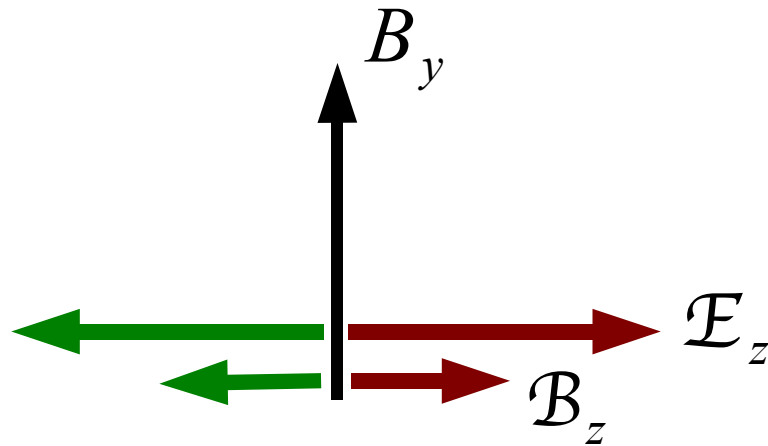
## Instanton:

S. Nam ('09)

# Induced current in color-flux tube

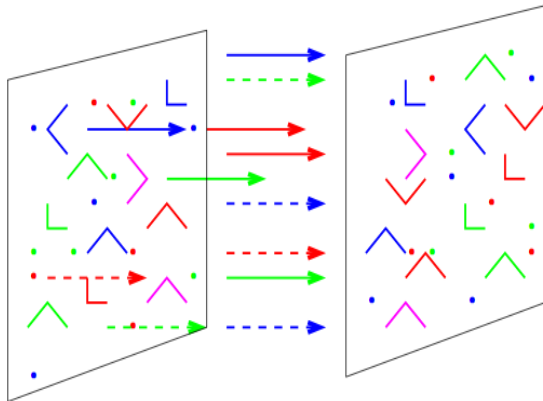
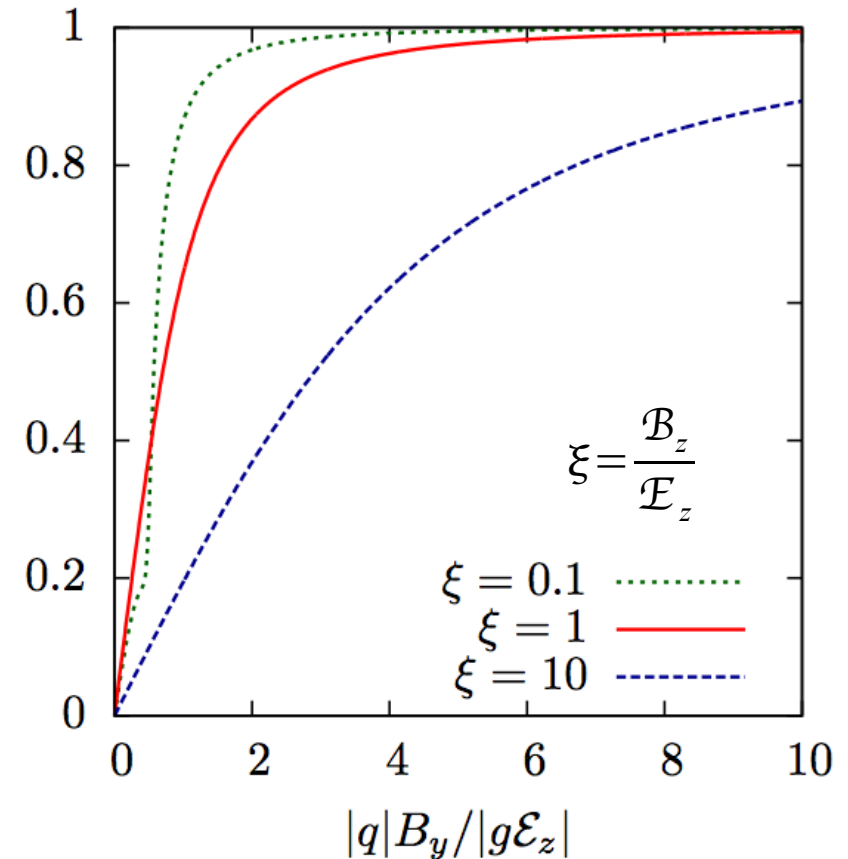
Fukushima, Kharzeev and HJW (to appear)

Perpendicular magnetic field to color flux tube



Flux tube generates chirality dynamically

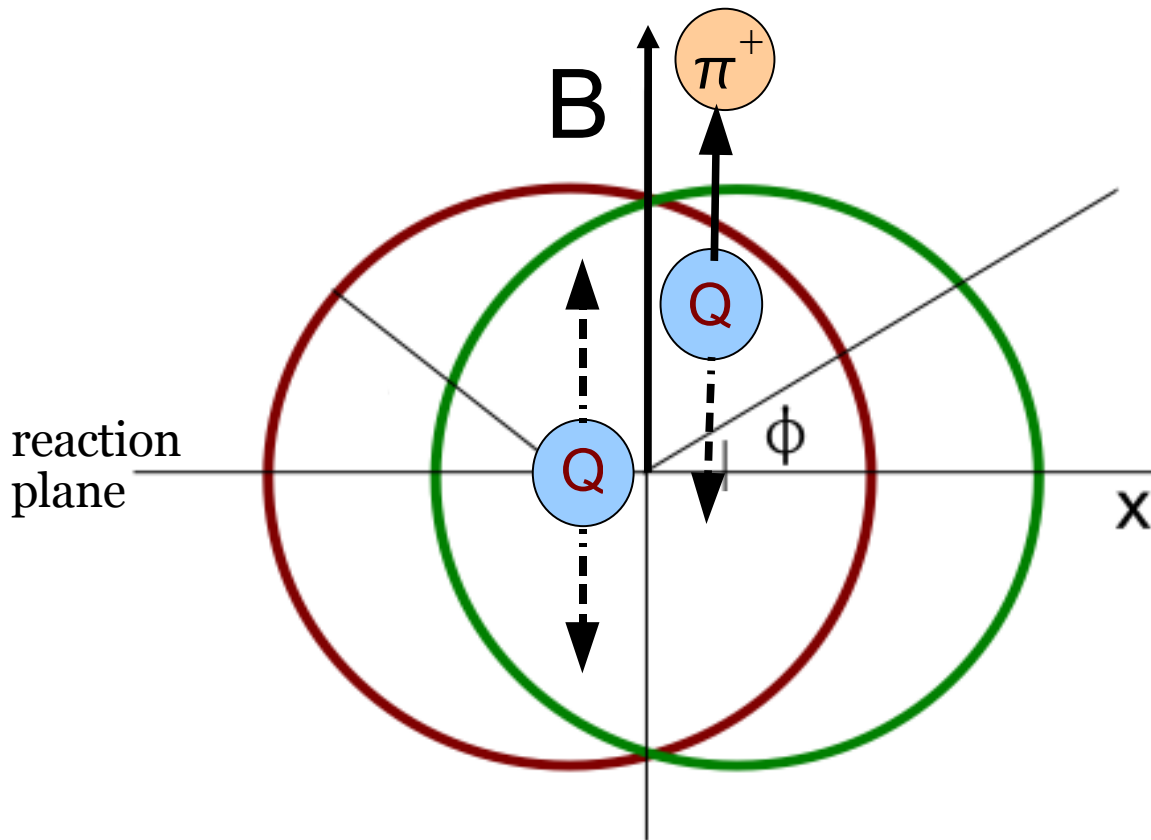
$$\frac{1}{|q|} \frac{\partial_t j_y}{\partial_t n_5}$$



Flux tubes naturally arise in glasma

Krasnitz et al. ('02), Lappi & McLerran, ('06)

# P- and CP-odd effects in Heavy Ion Collisions



Topological charge  $Q$  fluctuates anywhere in the QGP

Measure: variances = nonzero

Medium causes screening

Variance of charge difference between upper and lower side reaction plane:

$$\langle \Delta_{\pm}^2 \rangle = 2 \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt \int_V d^3x \Gamma [\xi_+^2(x_{\perp}) + \xi_-^2(x_{\perp})] \left( \sum_f \frac{3q_f^2 e B}{\pi^2 T^2} \right)^2$$

Time & Volume integral  
Overlap region

Rate of creation  
Topological charge

Screening  
Functions

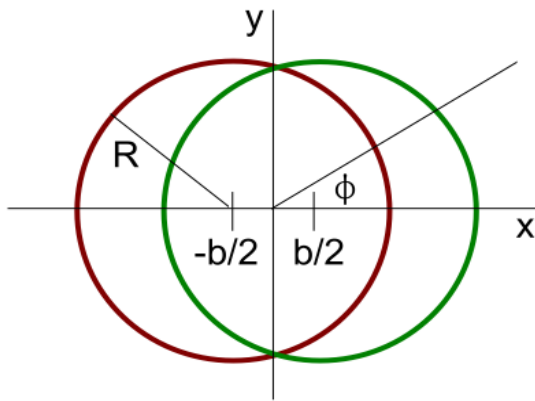
Square of Charge  
Charge difference

Estimate magnitude relative asymmetry for large impact parameter  $10^{-4}$  with 1-2 orders of magnitude uncertainty.

# Experimental observables

Voloshin ('04)

Correlations in azimuthal angle of charged particles



$$a_{++} = \left\langle \frac{1}{N_+ N_+} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_+, N_+} \cos(\phi_i + \phi_j - 2\Psi_{RP}) \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle \frac{1}{N_+^2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N_+} \cos(\phi_i - \Psi_{RP}) \right]^2 \right\rangle$$

Charge fluctuations in x-direction

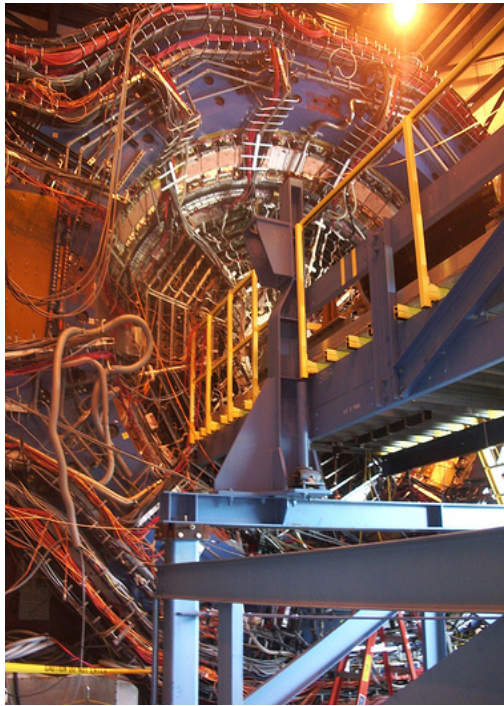
$$- \left\langle \frac{1}{N_+^2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{N_+} \sin(\phi_i - \Psi_{RP}) \right]^2 \right\rangle$$

Minus fluctuations in y direction

Average is over many similar minimum bias events

Take symmetric interval around zero rapidity

Analysis (and problems) similar to elliptic flow.  
See also talks by Jean-Yves Ollitrault and  
Raimond Snellings



STAR detector  
Full azimuthal coverage

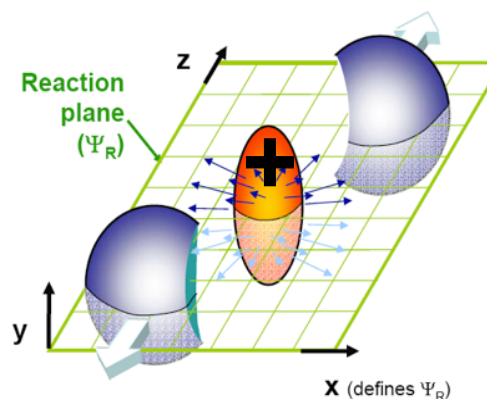
# Charge correlations at RHIC

Au-Au and Cu-Cu @ 200 GeV

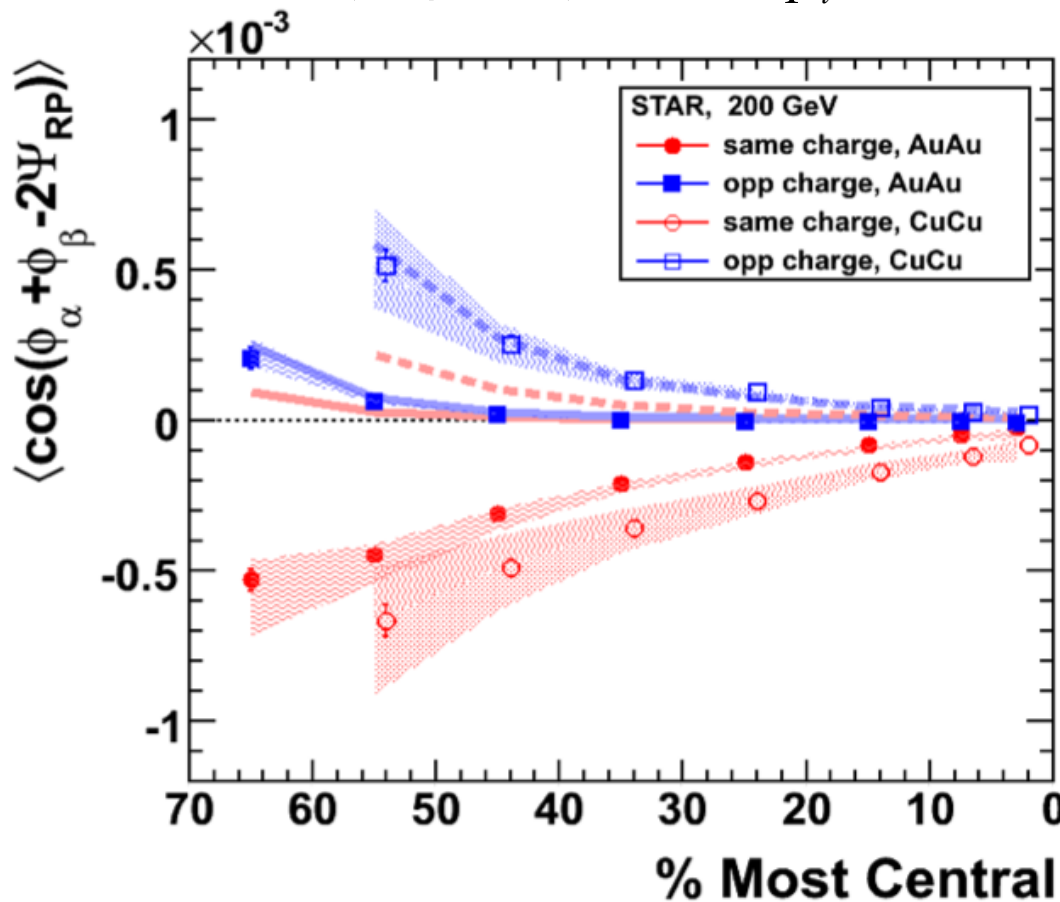
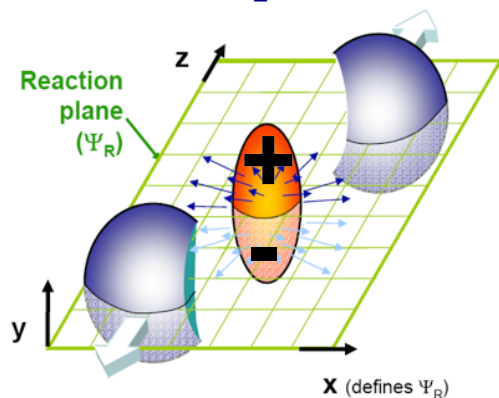
min. bias,  $|\eta| < 1.0$ ,  $0.15 < p_t < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$



Red points:



Blue points:



Data cannot be explained by

HIJING  
HIJING+v2,  
MeVSIM,  
UrQMD

STAR, Phys.Rev.Lett. **103**, 251601 (2009) and arXiv:0909.1717

See also B. Müller, Physics 2, 104 (2009)

Strong charge correlations observed at RHIC  
is it due to P- and CP-odd effects or something else?

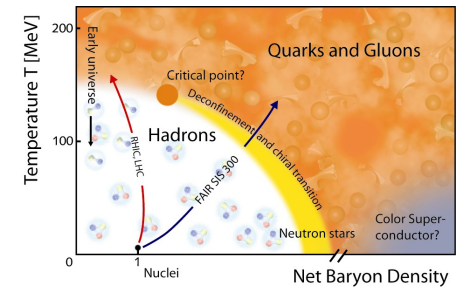
# STAR data due to P- and CP-odd effects?

Deconfinement necessary to separate quarks

Chiral Symmetry restoration necessary to induce chirality

Hence no Chiral Magnetic Effect at low energies.

Test energy scan. Also test at LHC



Magnetic field the correlators proportional to  $Z^2$ .

Test: compare collisions with same A and different Z, isobars

Argon-40 (Z=18), vs. Calcium-40 (Z=20), 23% increase in signal

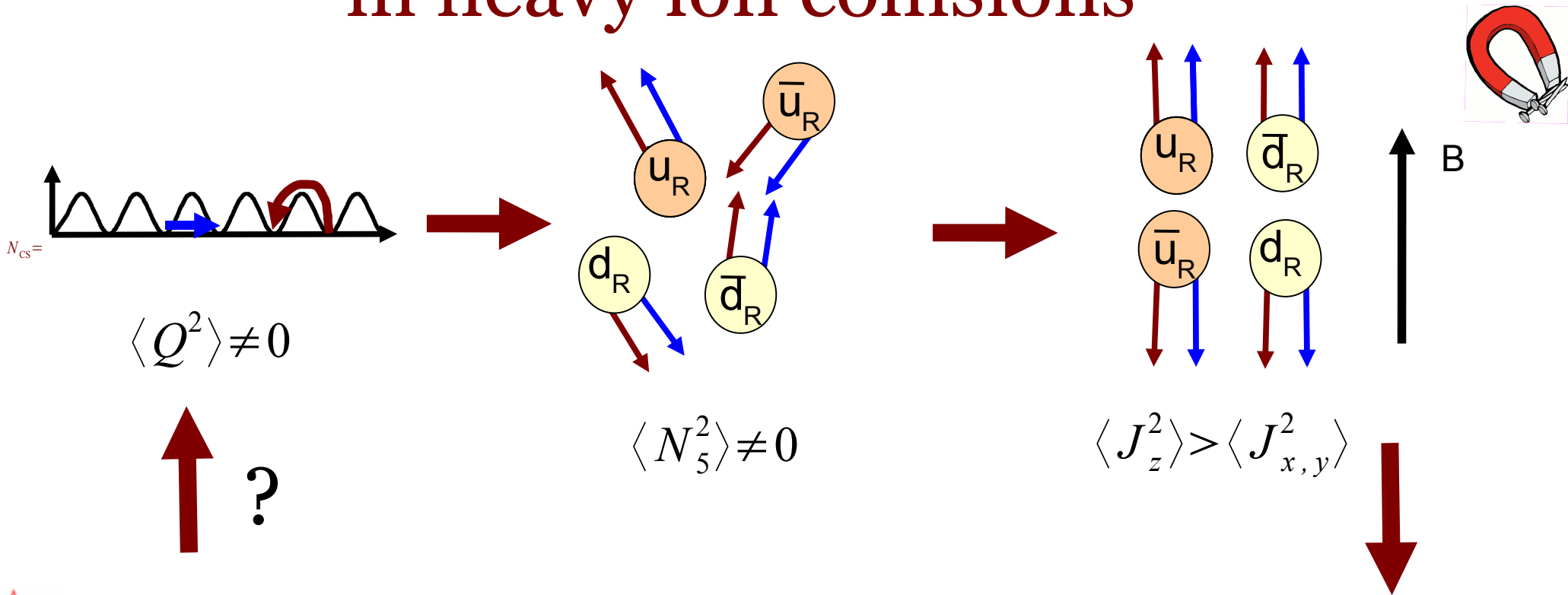
More quantitative phenomenology really necessary

More data also possible: individual charged particle correlations

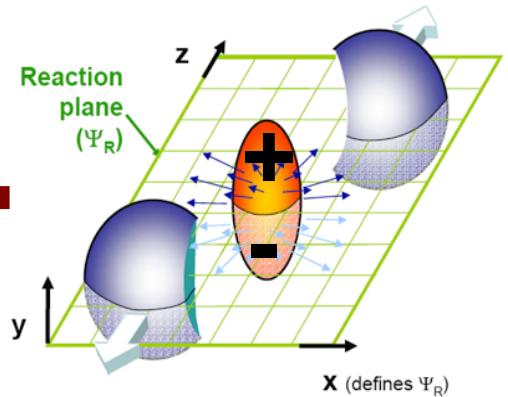
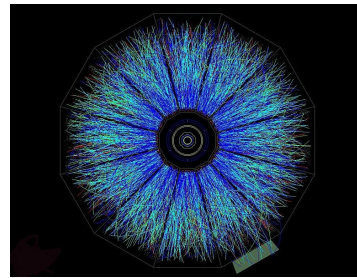
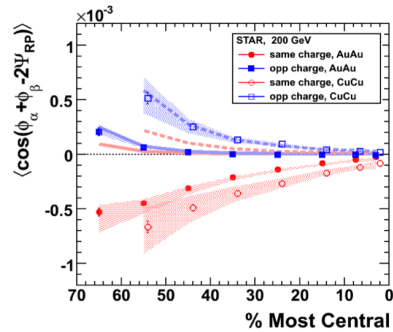
Think of other explanations

Cluster model of F. Wang ('09), ... ???

# Conclusions: P- and CP-odd effects in heavy ion collisions



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$\langle \cos(\phi_i^\pm + \phi_j^{\pm, \mp} - 2\Psi_{RP}) \rangle \neq 0$

$\langle \Delta_\pm^2 \rangle > 0, \quad \langle \Delta_+ \Delta_- \rangle < 0$

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