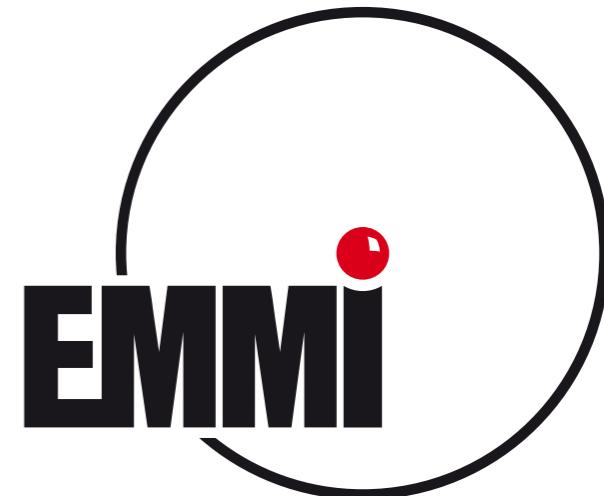


# On the thermodynamics and phase structure of QCD

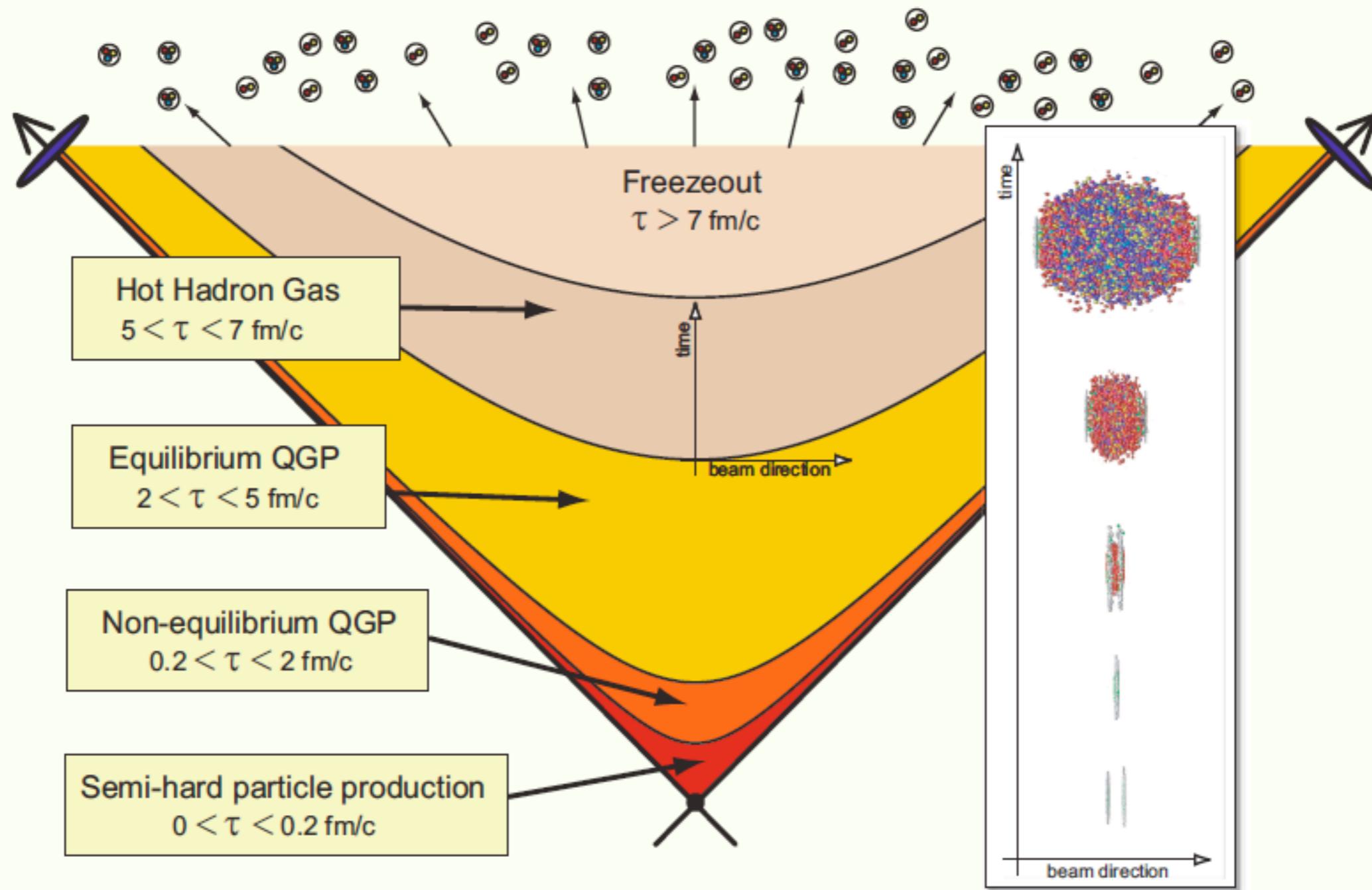
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Hirschegg, January 17th 2012



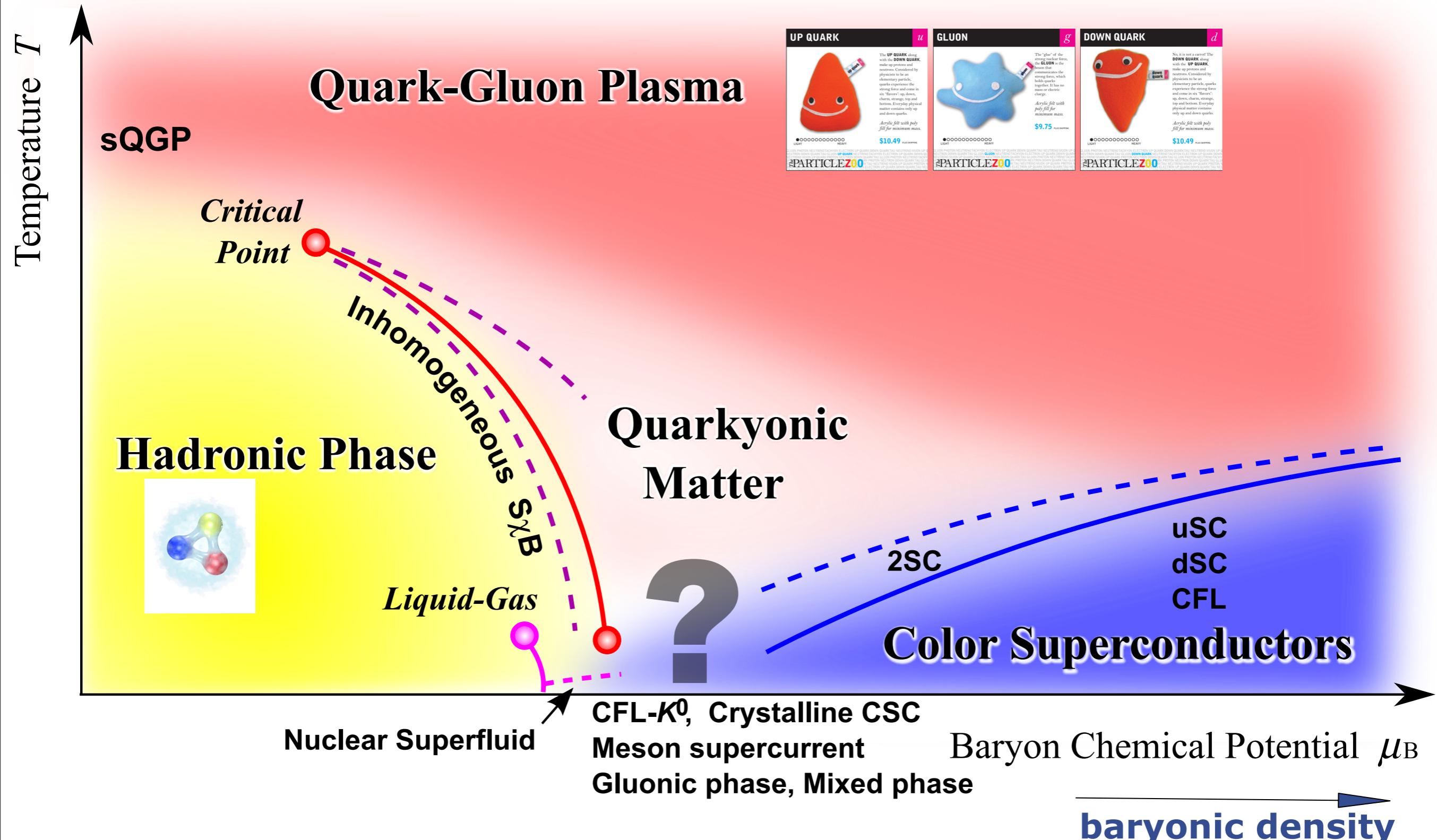
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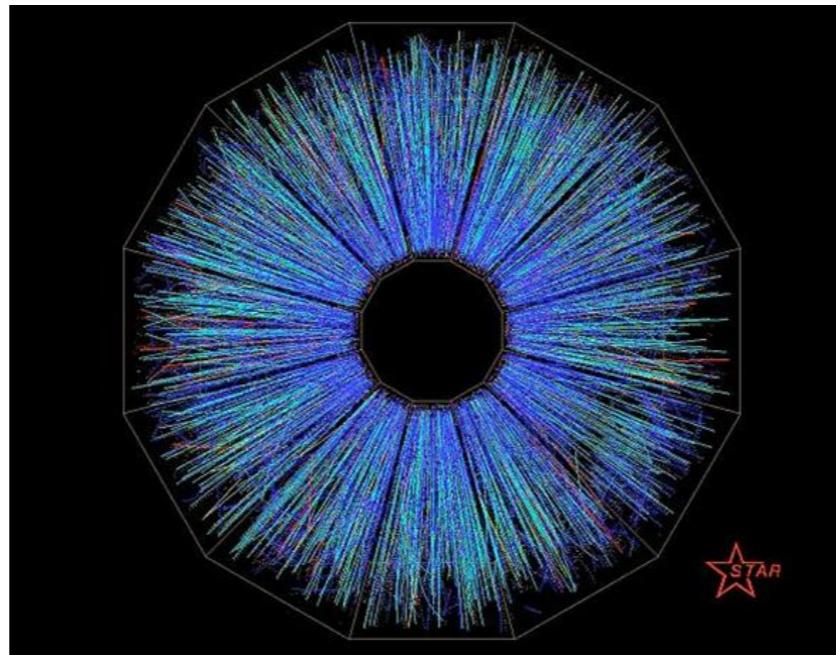
## Heavy-ion collision timescales and “epochs” @ RHIC



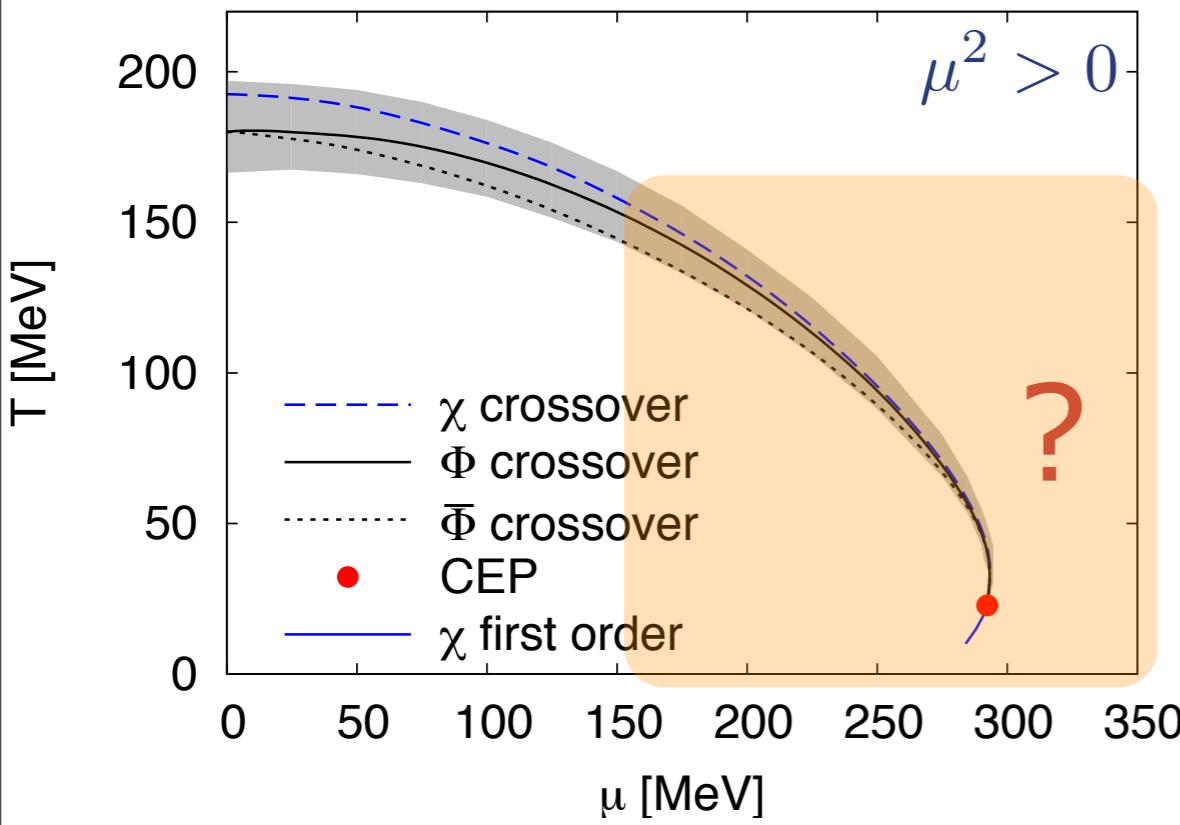
\* $1 \text{ fm/c} \simeq 3 \times 10^{-24} \text{ seconds}$

# Phase diagram of QCD

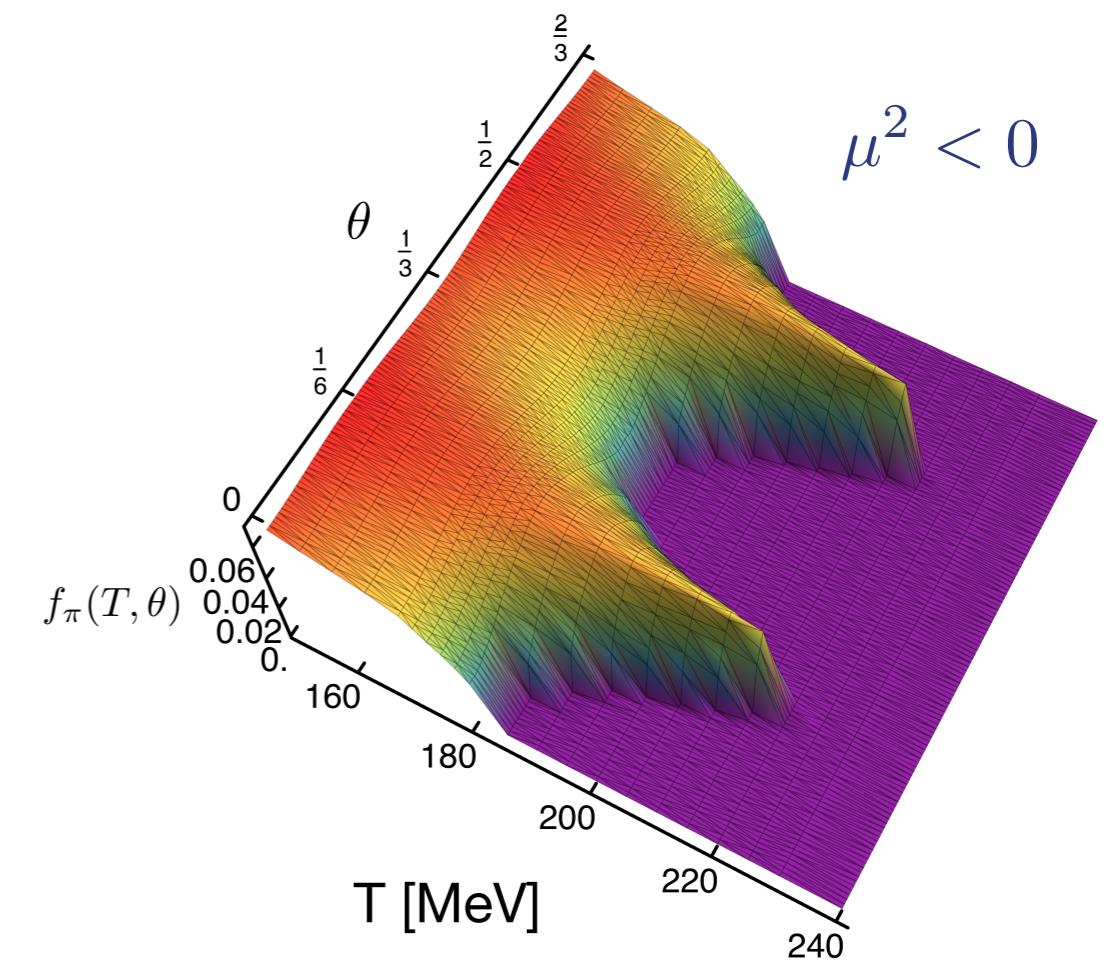




# From the quark-gluon plasma to the hadron gas

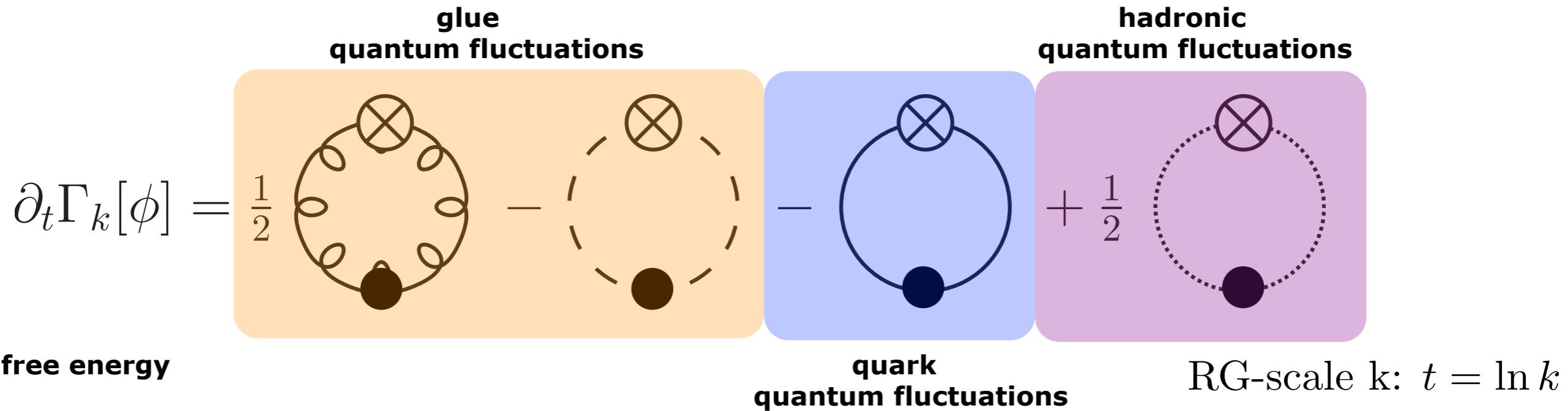


## Results



# Functional Methods for QCD

for a short review see JMP, arXiv:1012.5075



▪ **Gluons have cost us decades**

▪ **Fermions are straightforward** though 'physically' complicated

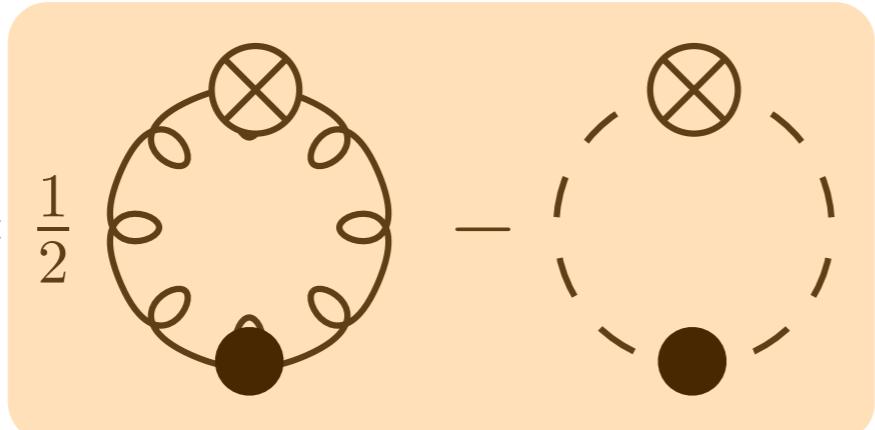
- no sign problem
- chiral fermions

▪ **bound states via dynamical hadronisation**

**Complementary to lattice!**

# Functional Methods for QCD

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$$\partial_t \Gamma_k[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \text{glue quantum fluctuations} - \text{free energy}$$


The diagram illustrates the functional method for QCD. It shows the free energy as a dashed circle with a central dot and an external cross, minus the glue quantum fluctuations, represented by a solid circle with a central dot and an external cross.

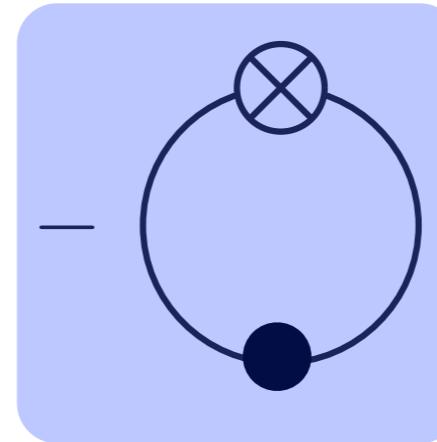
**Yang-Mills theory**

# Functional Methods for QCD

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$$\partial_t \Gamma_k[\phi] =$$

**free energy**



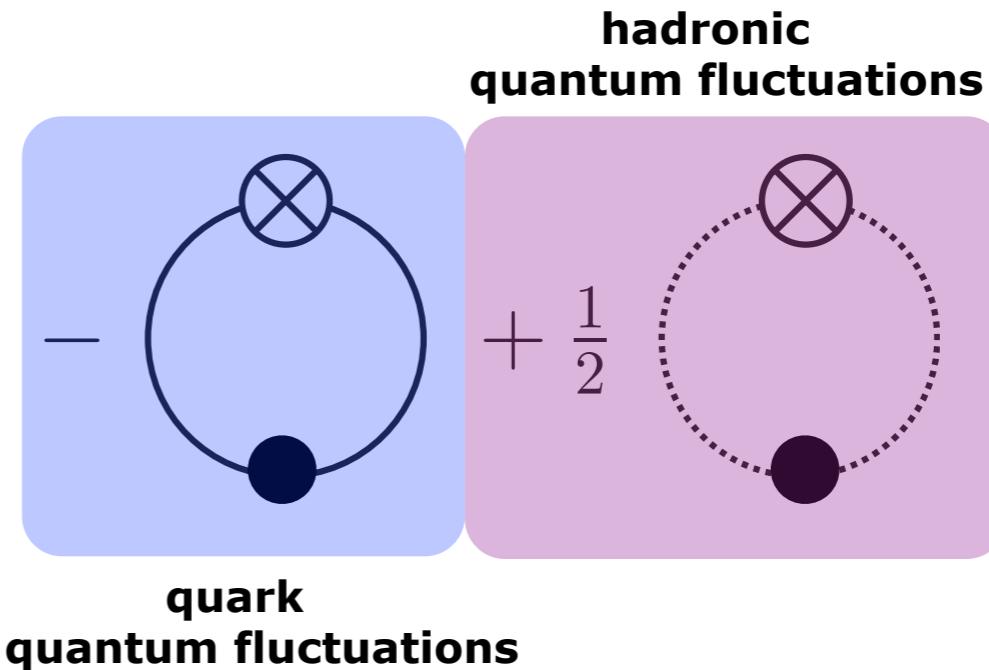
**quark  
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**NJL/PNJL model**

# Functional Methods for QCD

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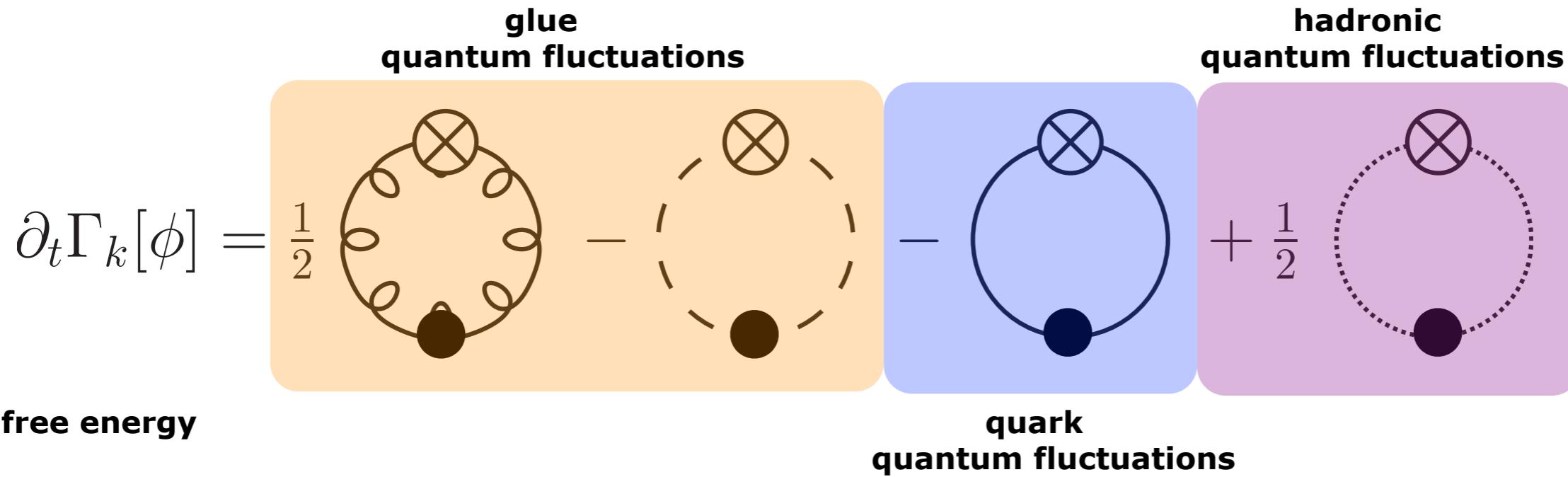
**free energy**



**Quark-hadron/PQH models**

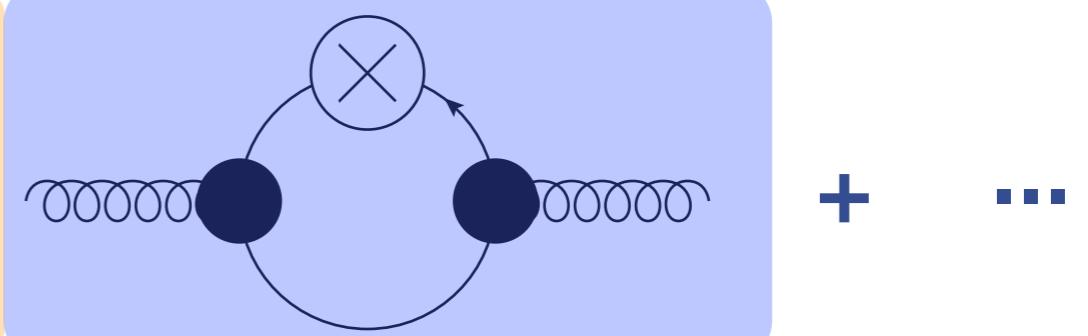
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# Functional Methods for QCD



flow of gluon propagator

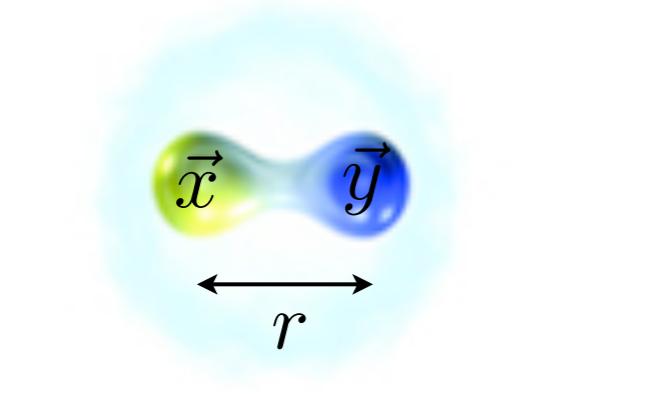
pure gauge theory flow +



Naturally incorporates PQM/PNJL models as specific low order truncations

# Confinement

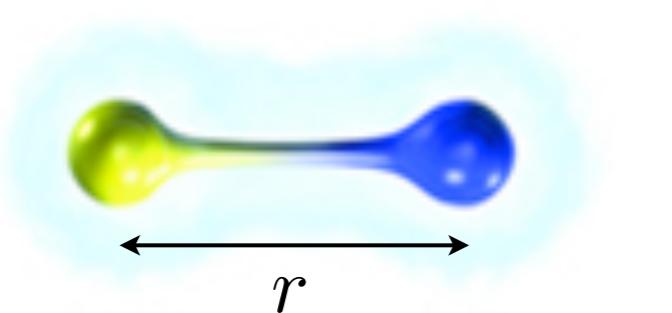
Free energy  $F_{q\bar{q}}$  of a quark - antiquark pair



$$F_{q\bar{q}} \simeq -\frac{1}{r}$$

Order parameter  $\sim \langle q \rangle'$

$$\Phi = e^{-\frac{1}{2T} F_{q\bar{q}}(\infty)}$$

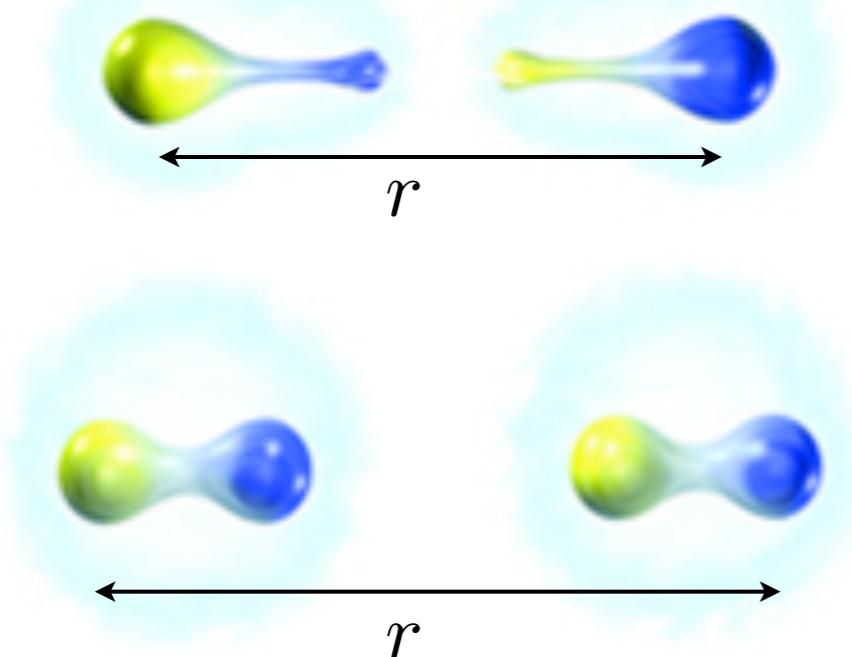


$$F_{q\bar{q}} \simeq \sigma r$$

▪ Confinement  $\Phi = 0$

▪ Deconfinement  $\Phi \neq 0$

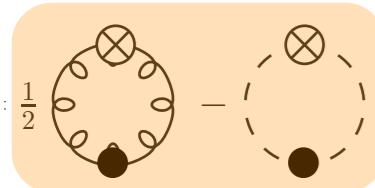
string breaking at  $r \approx 1\text{fm}$



$$F_{q\bar{q}} \simeq \text{const.}$$

Polyakov loop

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{3} \langle \text{Tr } \mathcal{P} \exp\{ig \int_0^{1/T} dx_0 A_0\} \rangle$$



# Confinement

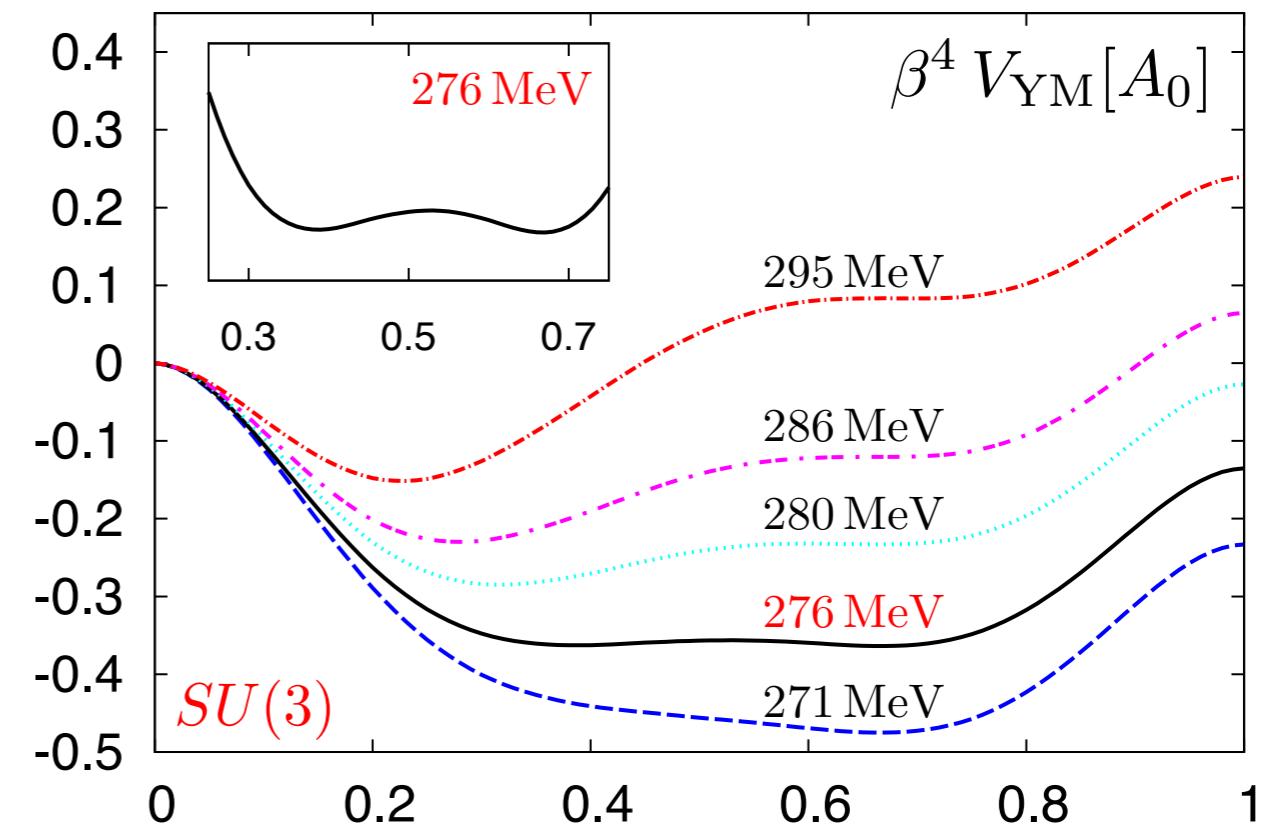
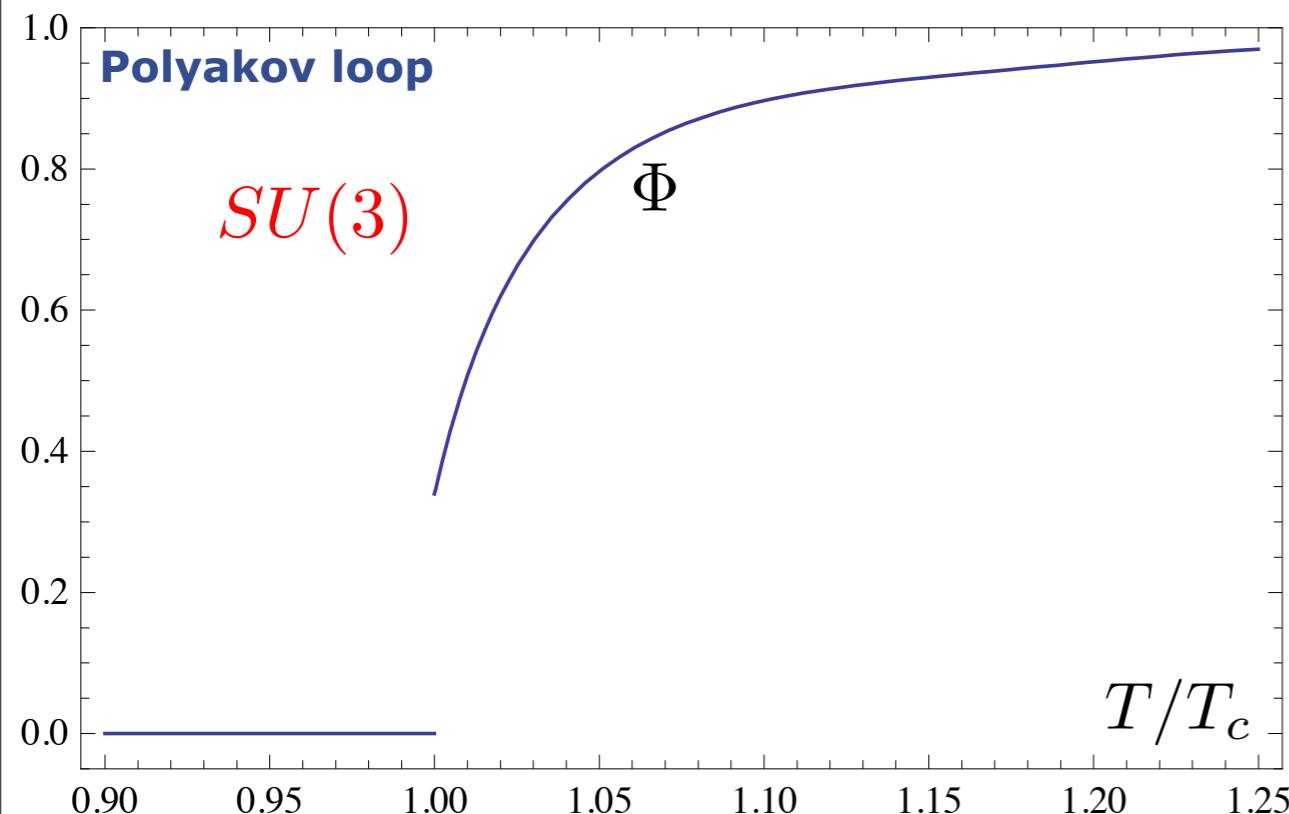
## Order parameter

$$T_c = 276 \pm 10 \text{ MeV}$$

$$T_c/\sqrt{\sigma} = 0.658 \pm 0.023$$

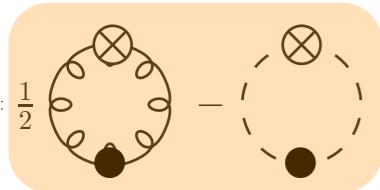
Braun, Gies, JMP '07

$$\text{lattice : } T_c/\sqrt{\sigma} = 0.646$$



$$\Phi[A_0] = \frac{1}{3}(1 + 2 \cos \frac{1}{2}\beta g A_0)$$

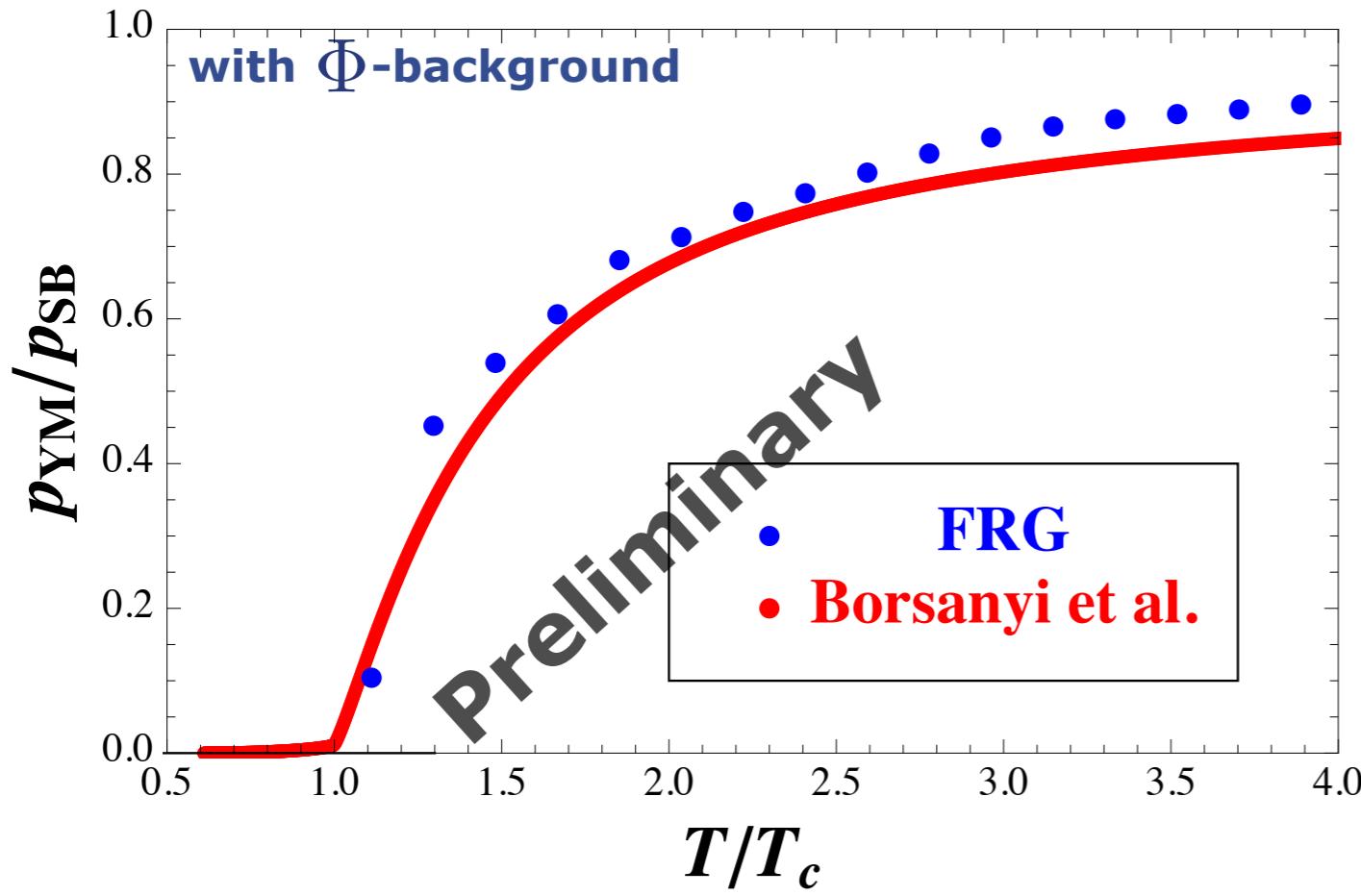
$$\Phi\left[\frac{4}{3}\pi \frac{1}{\beta g}\right] = 0 \quad \frac{\beta g A_0}{2\pi}$$



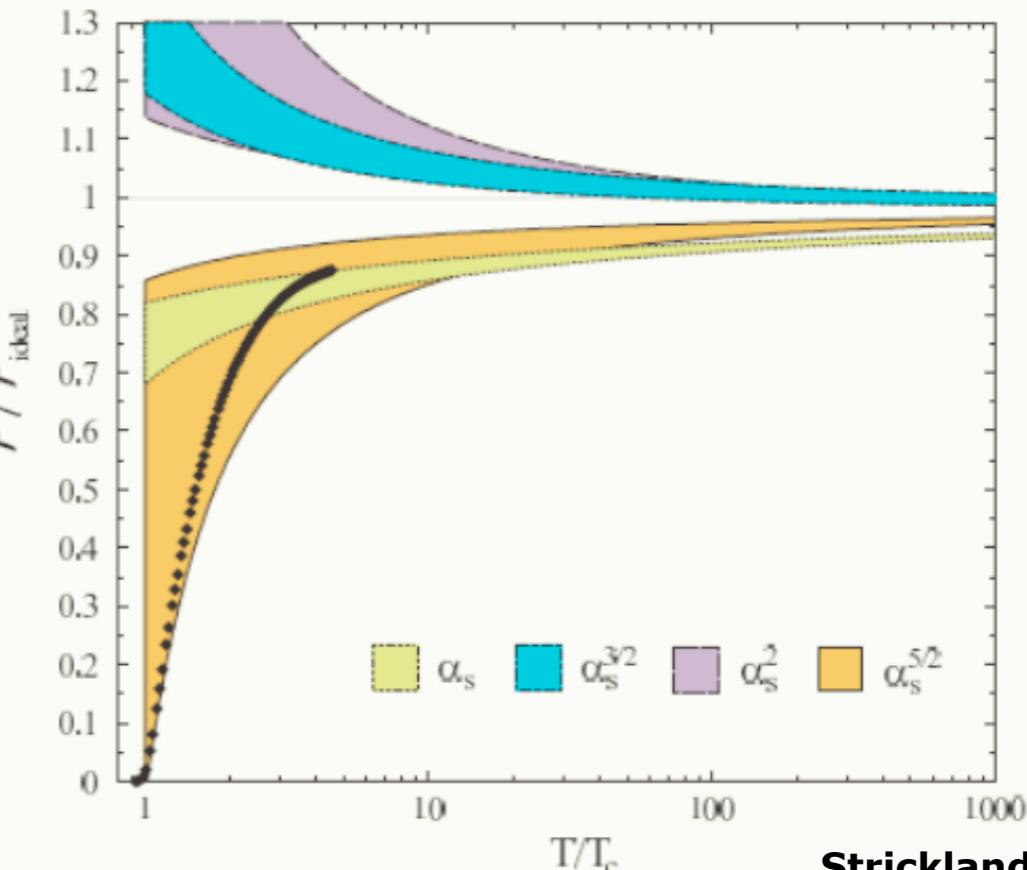
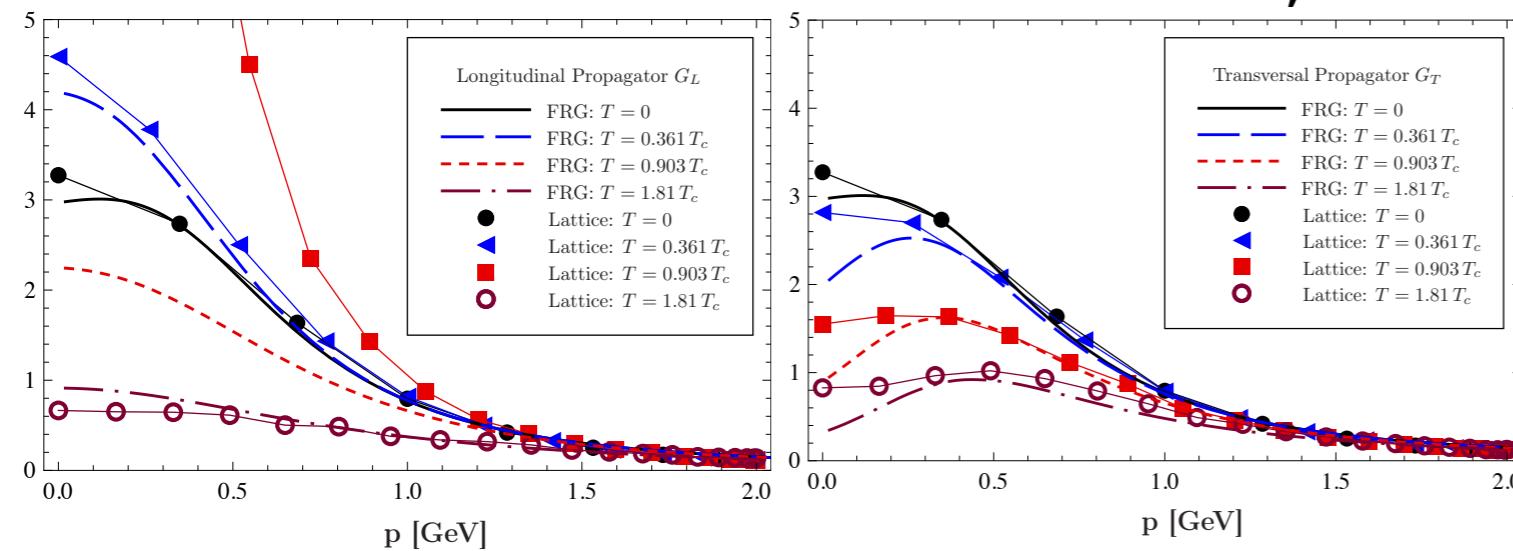
# thermodynamics

## Yang-Mills pressure

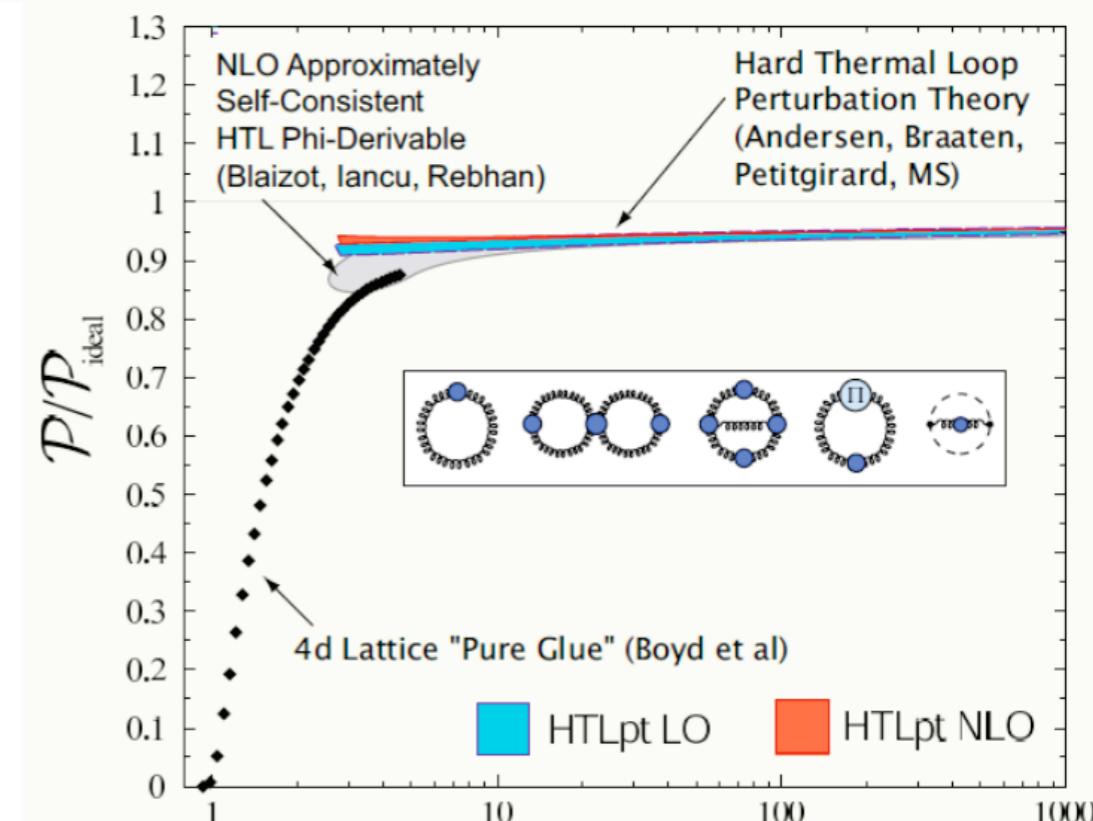
Fister, JMP



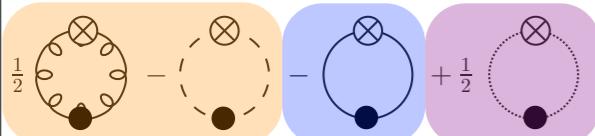
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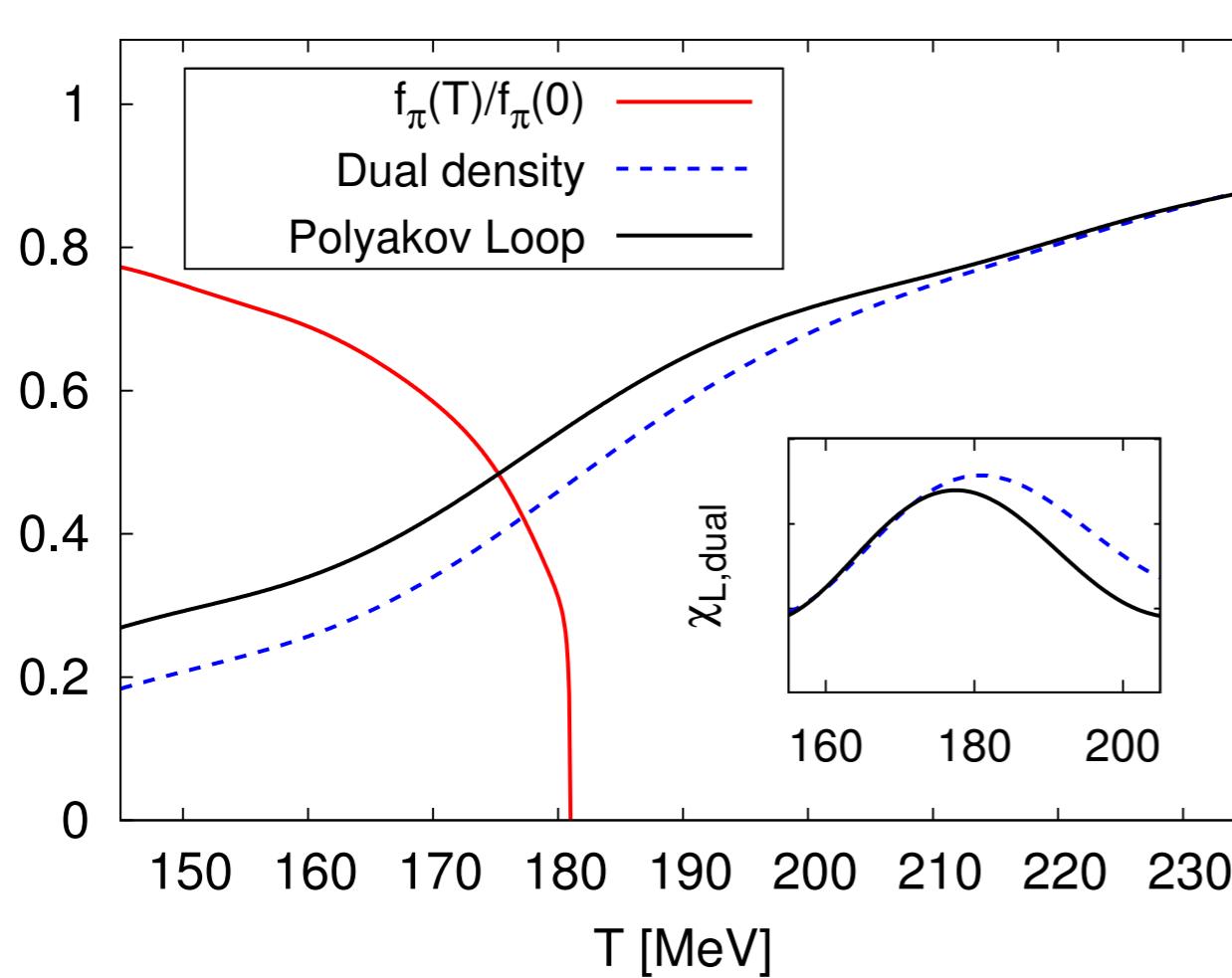
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# Full dynamical QCD: $N_f = 2$ & chiral limit



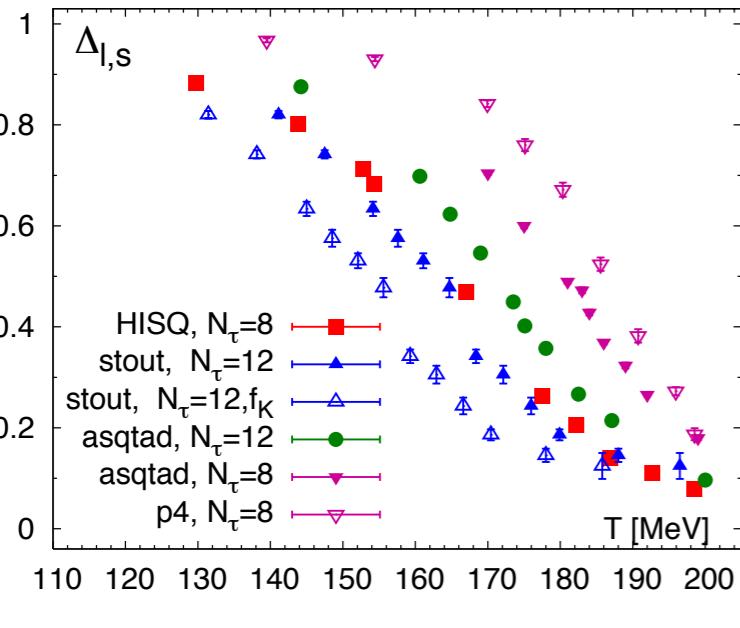
## Phase structure



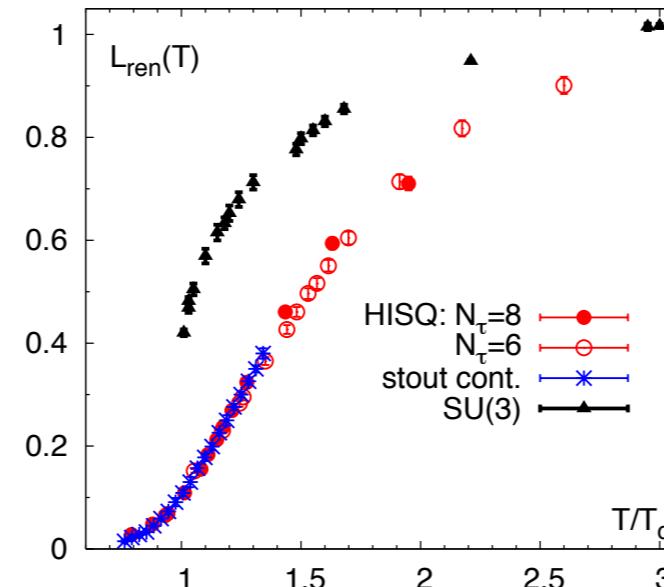
Braun, Haas, Marhauser, JMP '09

- $T_\chi \simeq T_{\text{conf}} \simeq 180 \text{ MeV}$
- **Width**  $\Delta T_{\text{conf}} \simeq \pm 20 \text{ MeV}$
- $T_{\text{conf,FRG}} \lesssim T_{\text{conf,lattice}}$

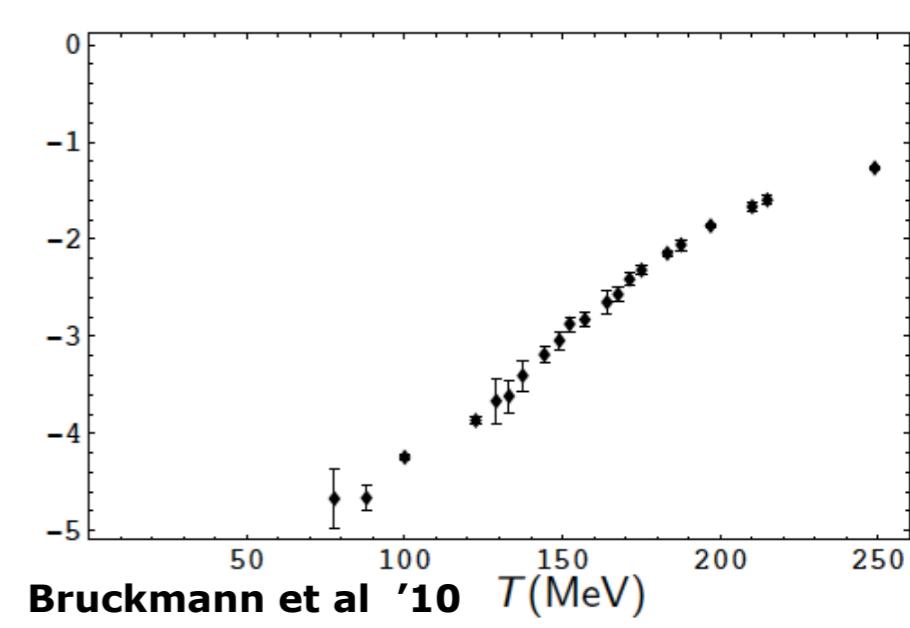
## Chiral condensate



## Polyakov loop

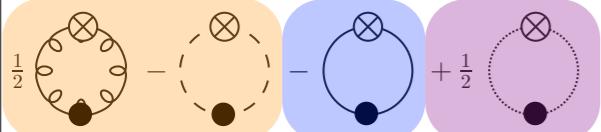


## Log of dual condensate, m=60 MeV

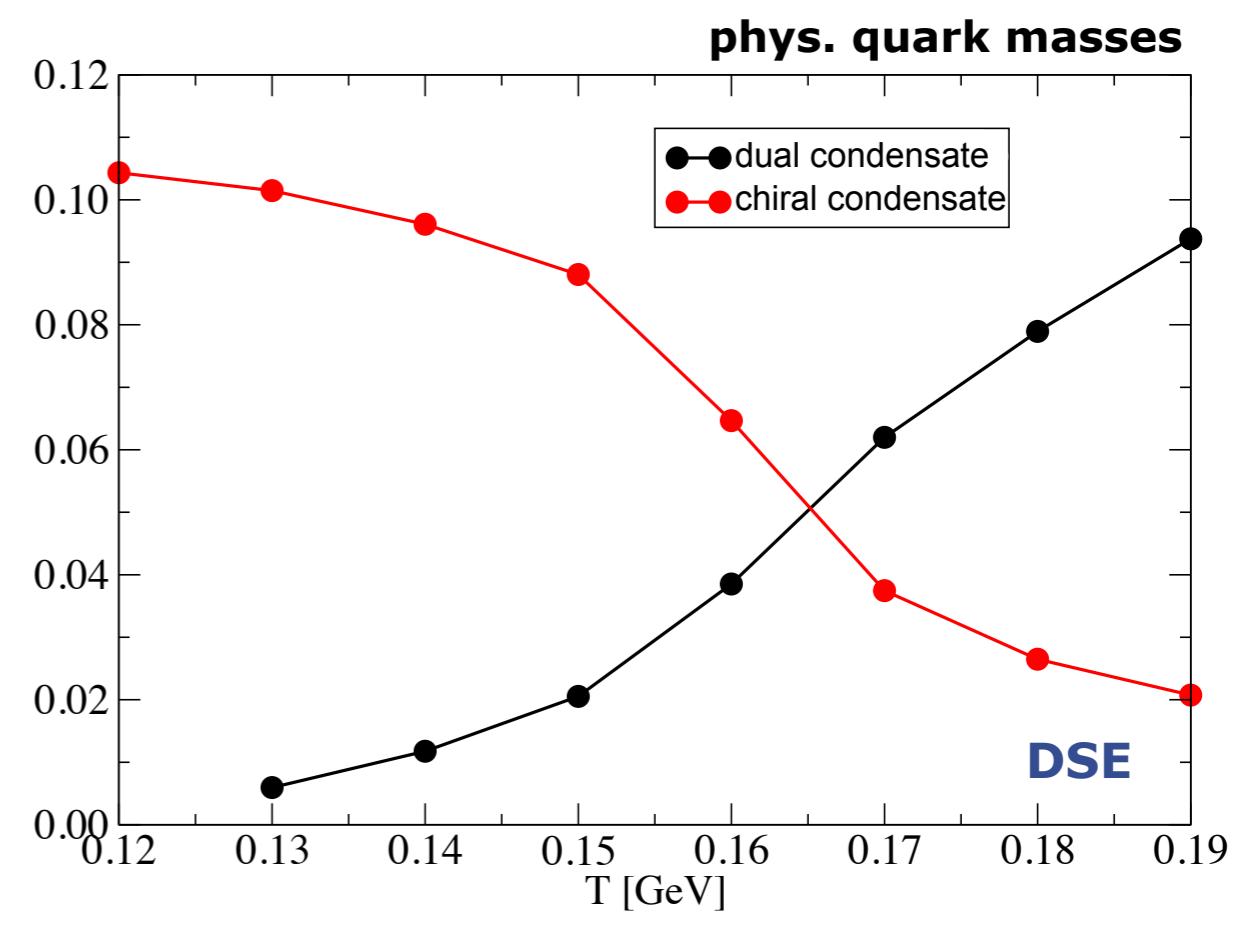
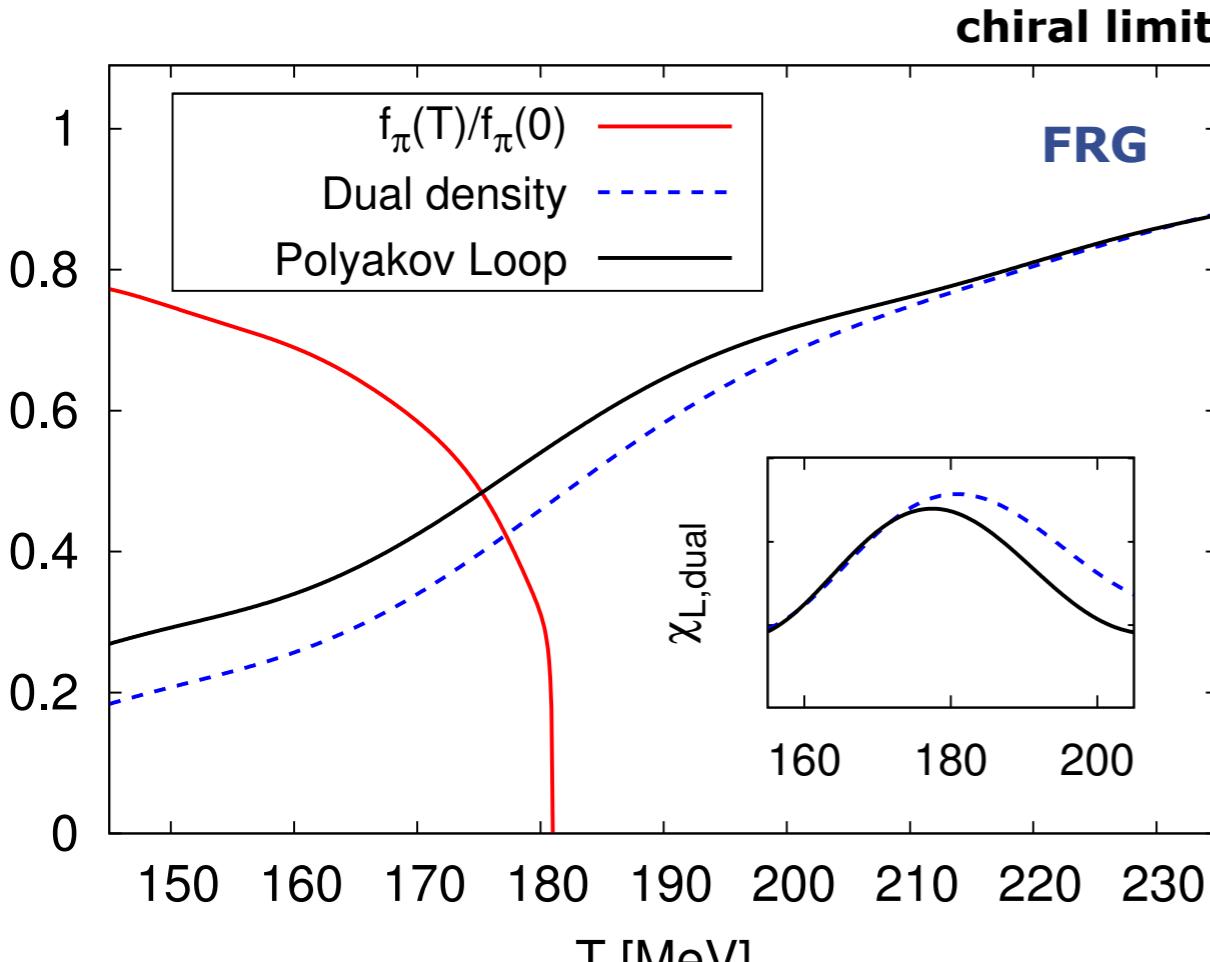


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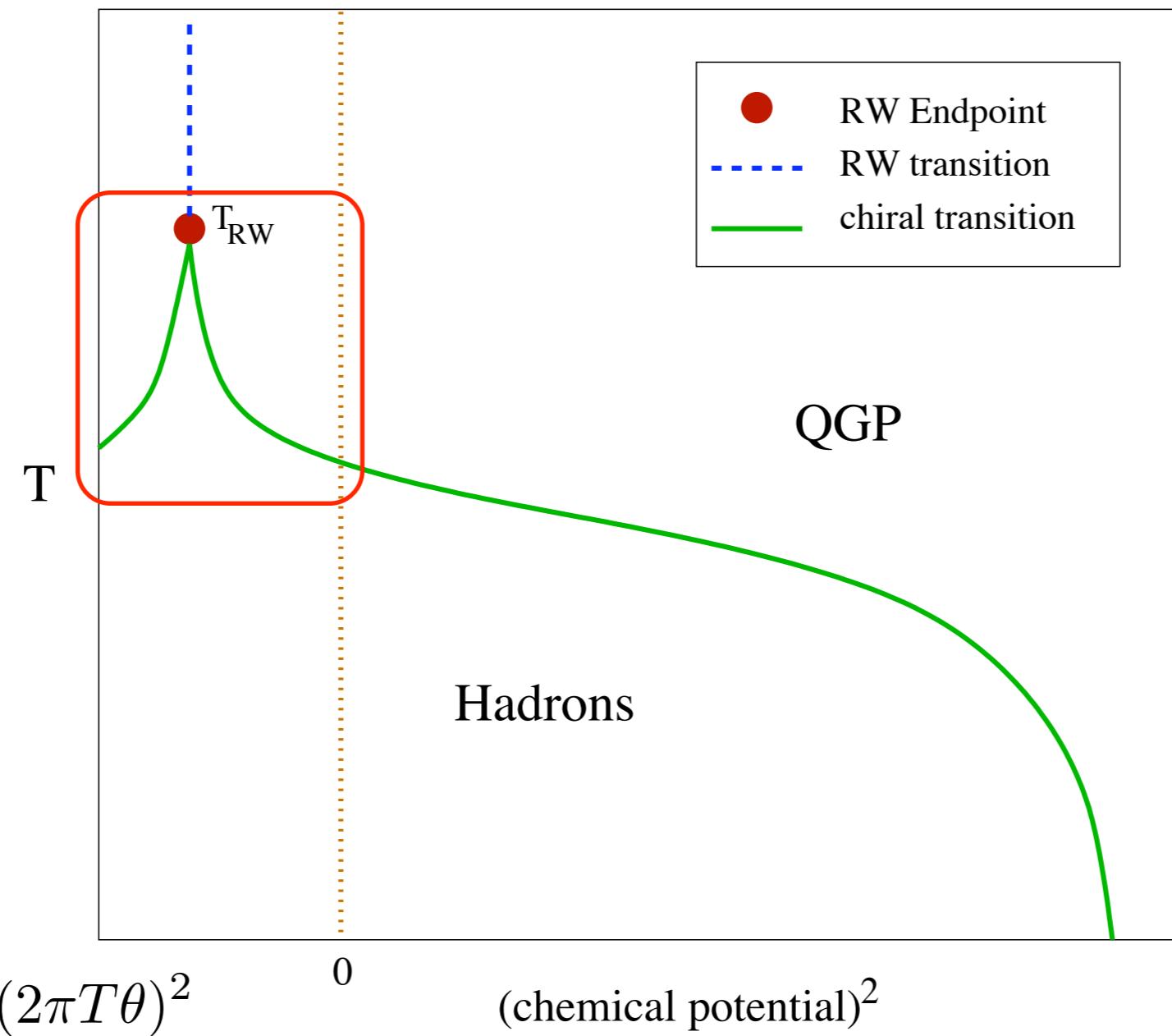
## Phase structure



Fischer, Lücker, Mueller '11

# Imaginary chemical potential

$$\psi_\theta(t + \beta, \vec{x}) = -e^{2\pi i \theta} \psi_\theta(t, x) \quad \text{with} \quad \mu = 2\pi i T \theta$$



**Roberge-Weiss symmetry:**  $\theta \rightarrow \theta + 1/3$

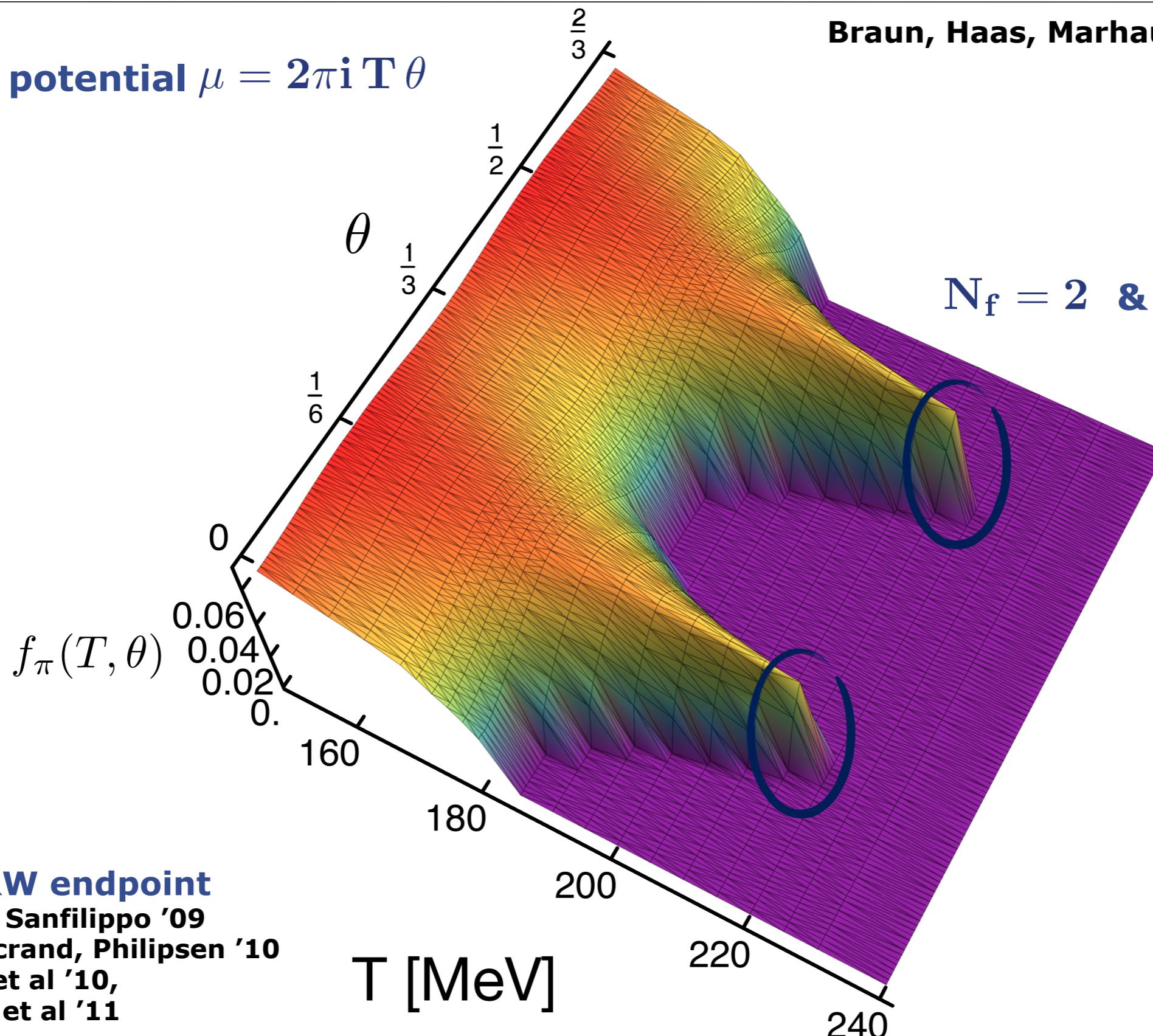
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chemical potential  $\mu = 2\pi i T \theta$

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### Nature of RW endpoint

lattice: D'Elia, Sanfilippo '09

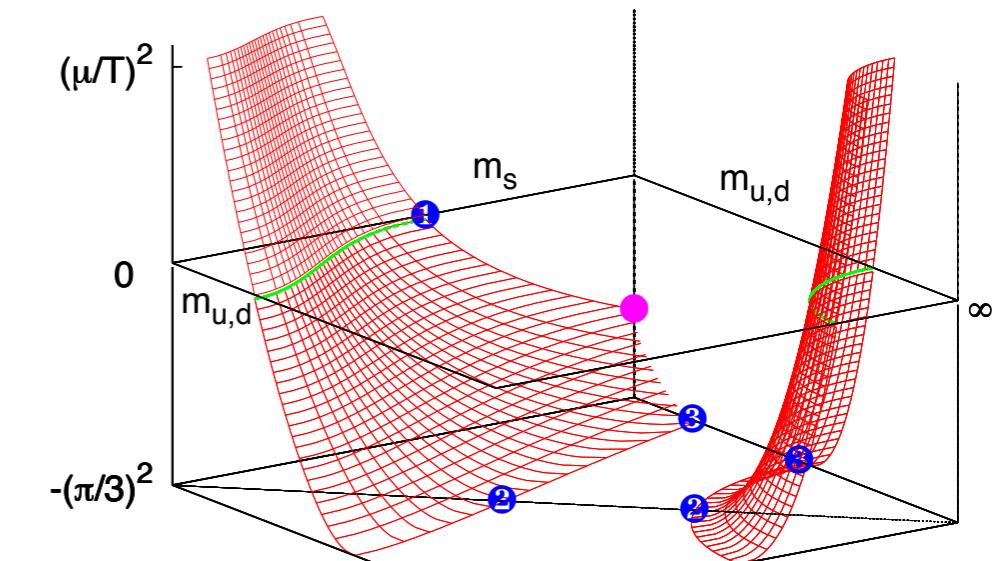
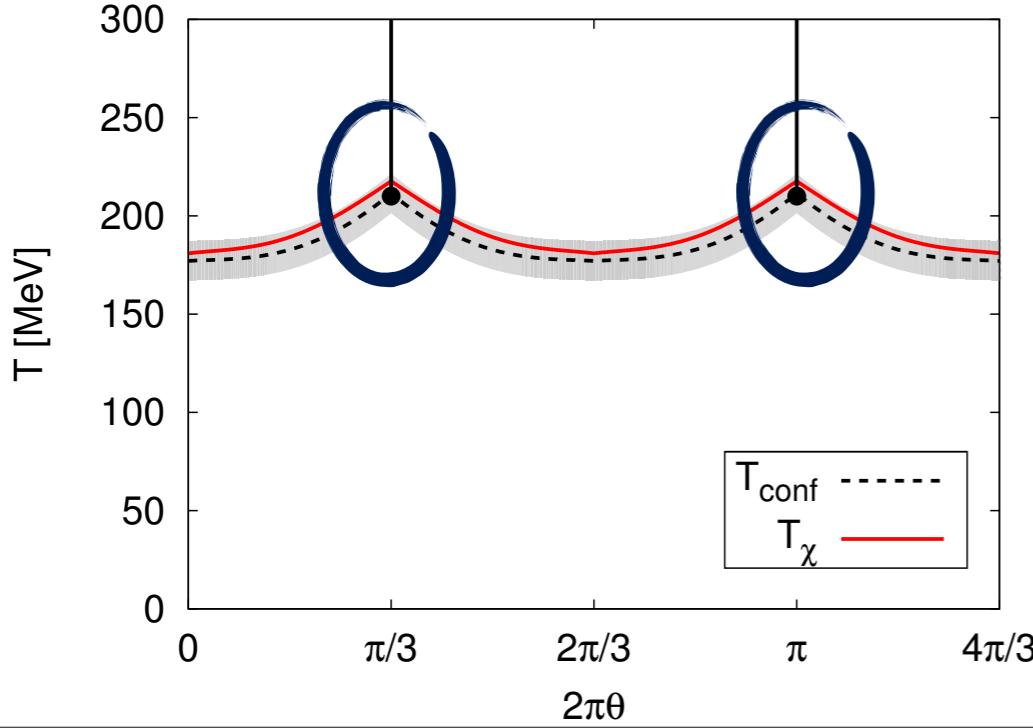
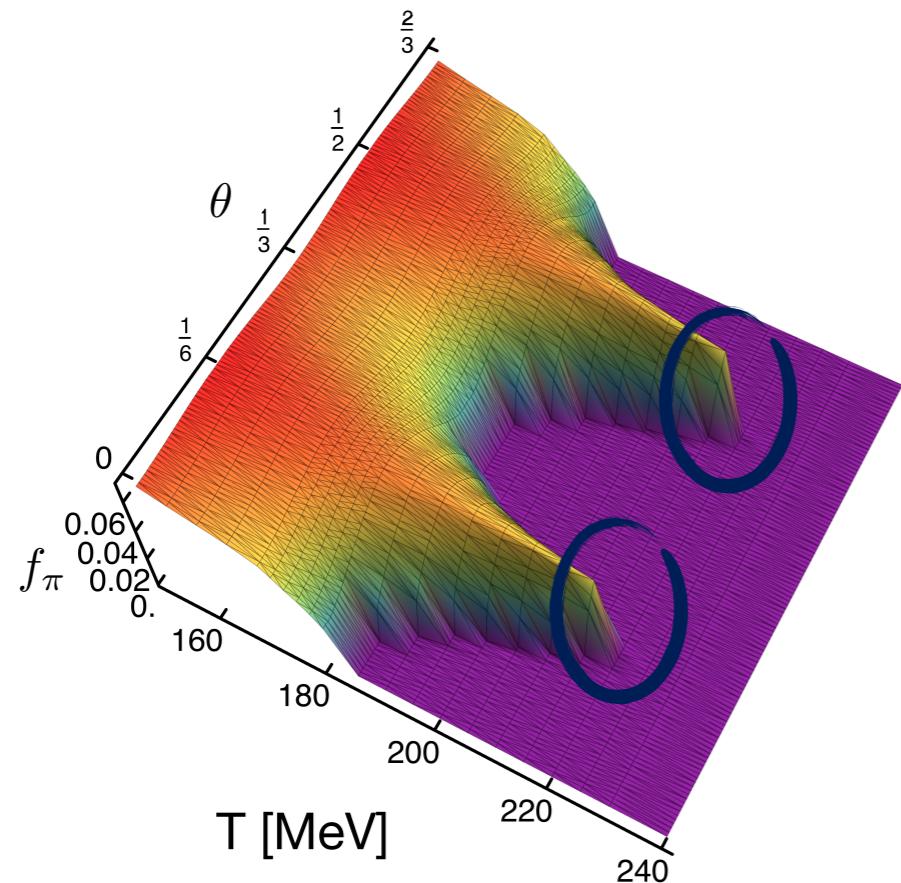
de Forcrand, Philipsen '10

PNJL: Sakai et al '10,  
Morita et al '11

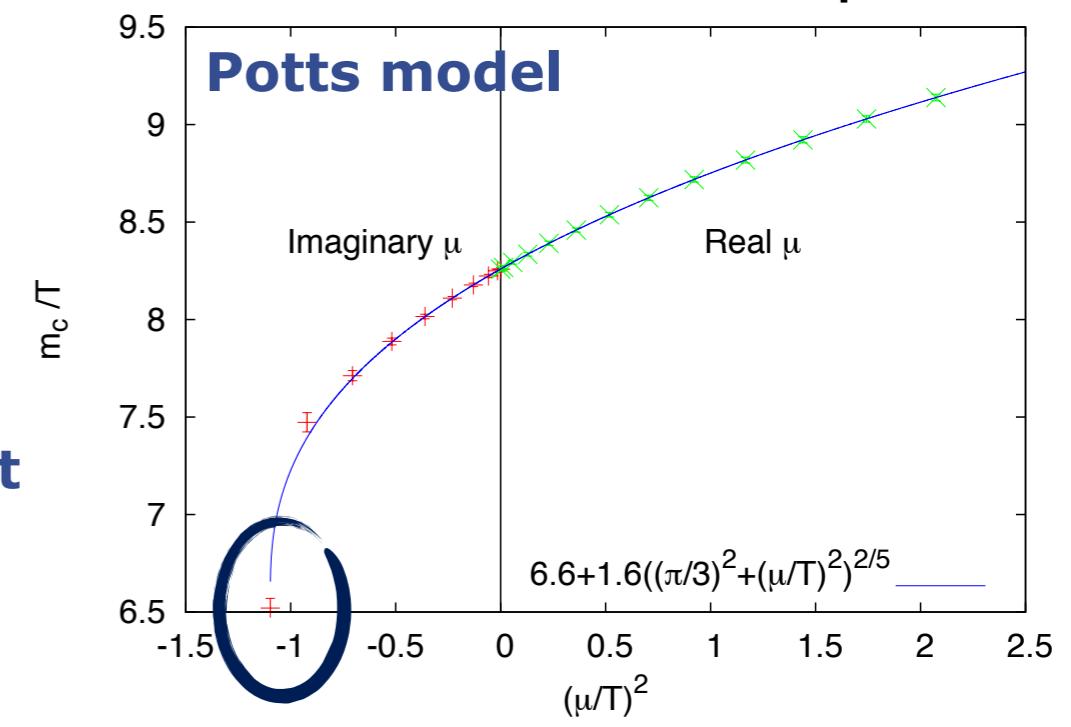
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## Nature of the RW endpoint

chemical potential  $\mu = 2\pi i T \theta$



RW endpoint



Potts model

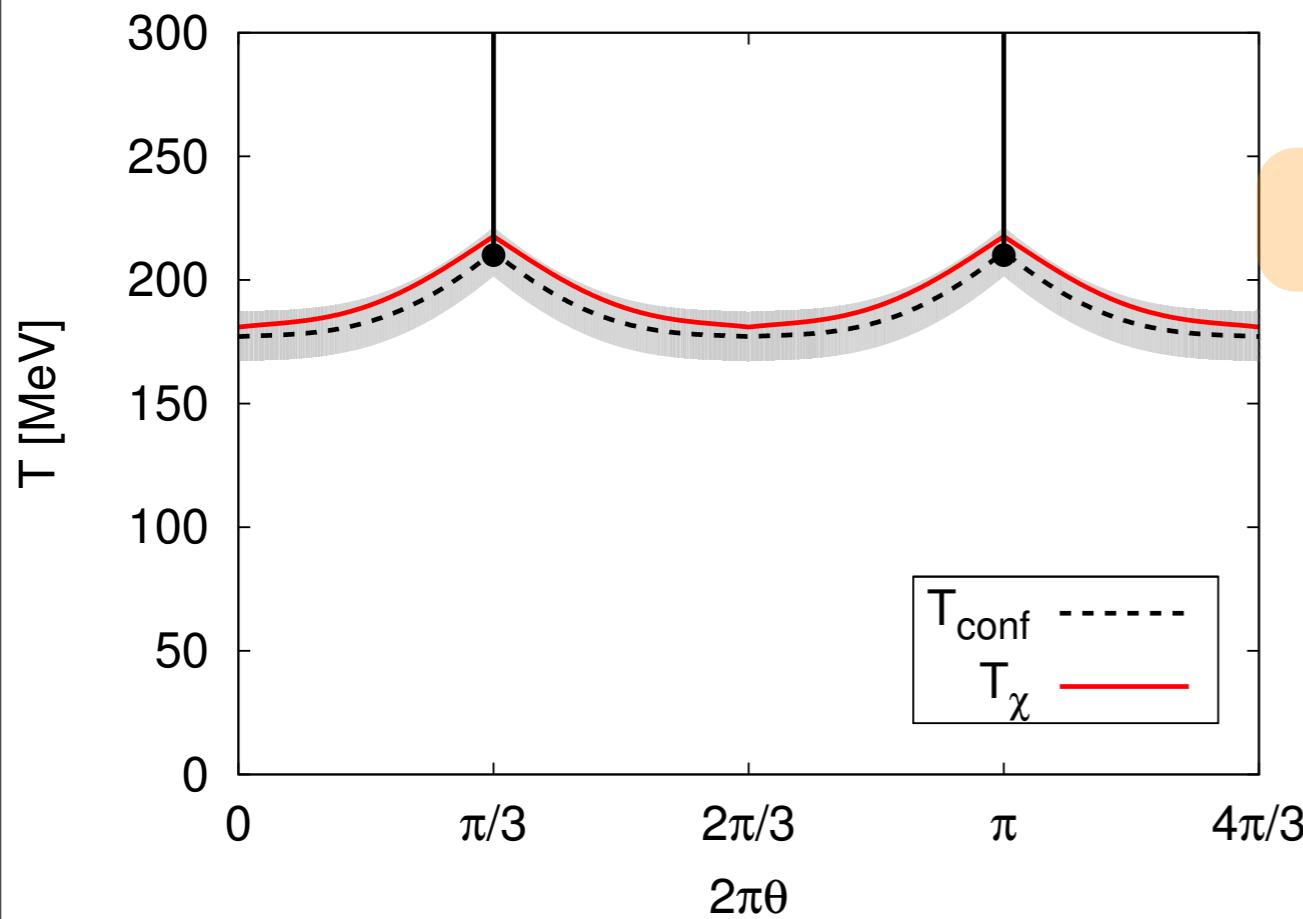
$$6.6 + 1.6((\pi/3)^2 + (\mu/T)^2)^{2/5}$$

# Imaginary chemical potential

## Phase structure

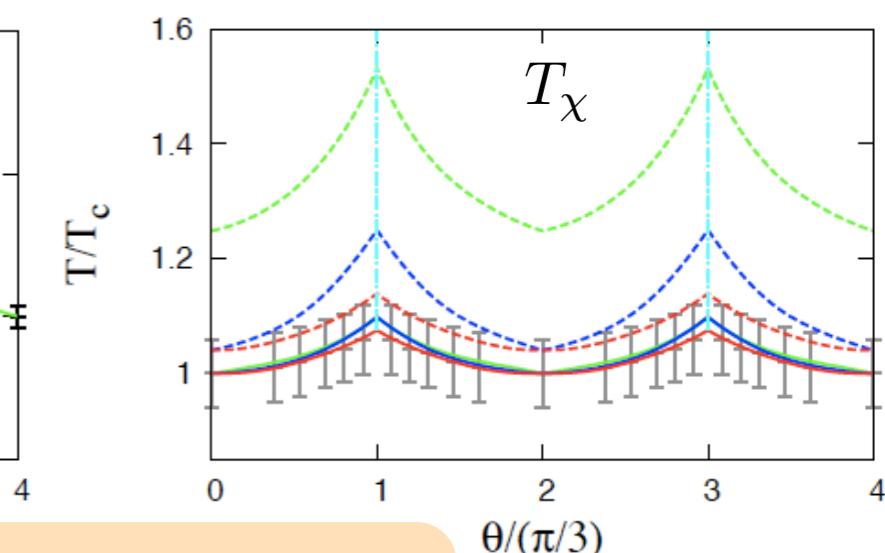
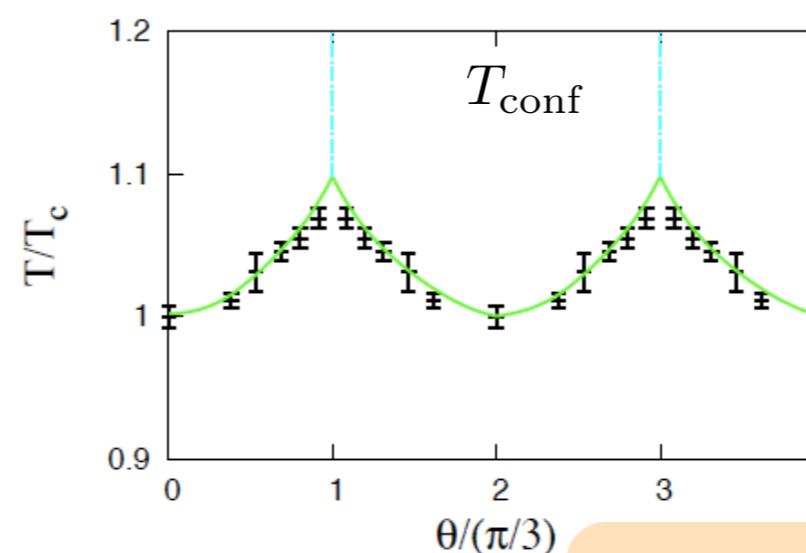
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lattice results, e.g.  
Kratochvila et al '06,  
Wu et al '06,  
D'Elia et al '07, ....

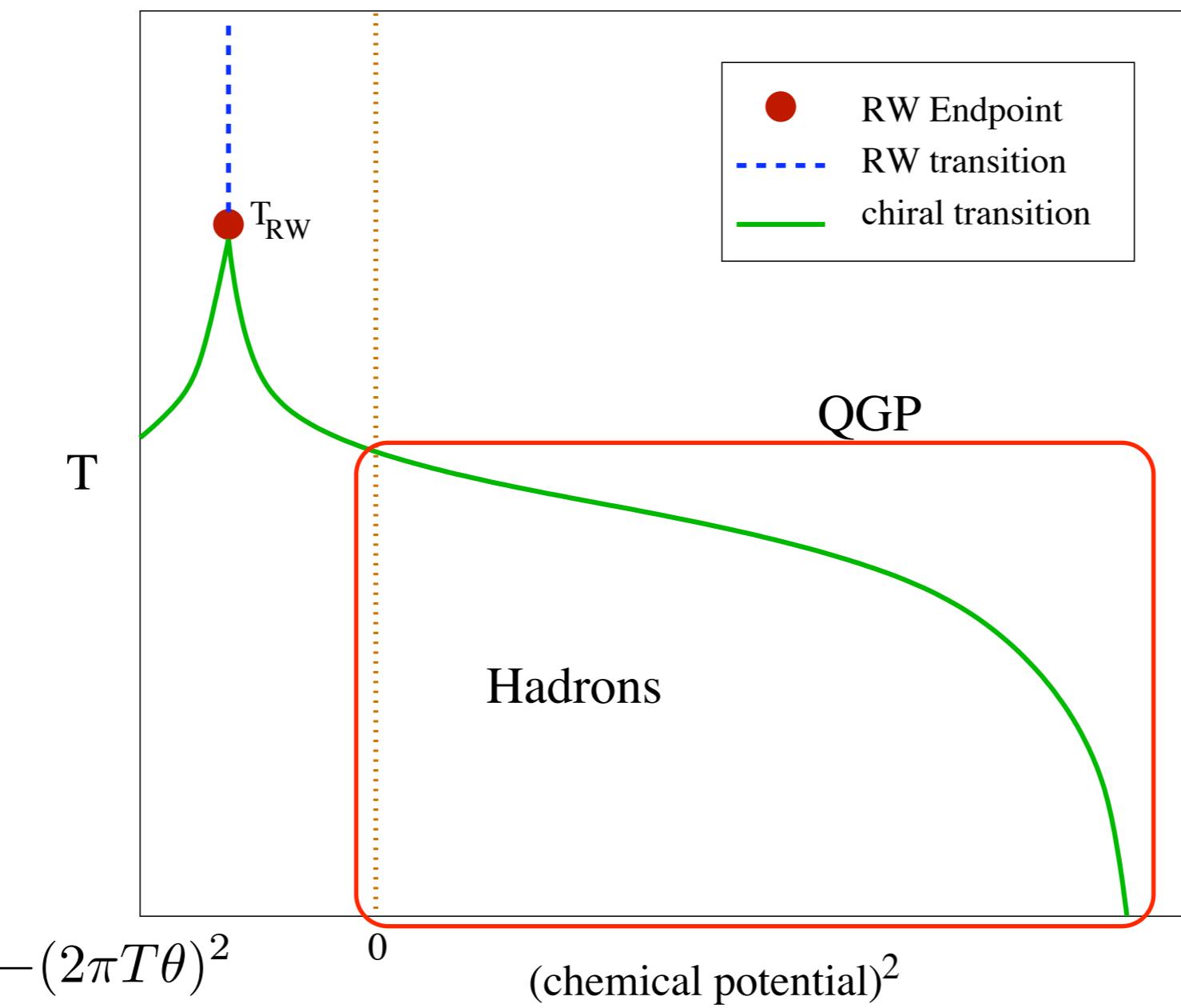
Polyakov-NJL model  
Sakai et al '09, ...



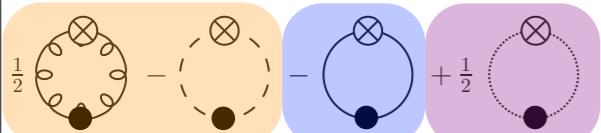
adjust 8-fermi interaction

# Real chemical potential

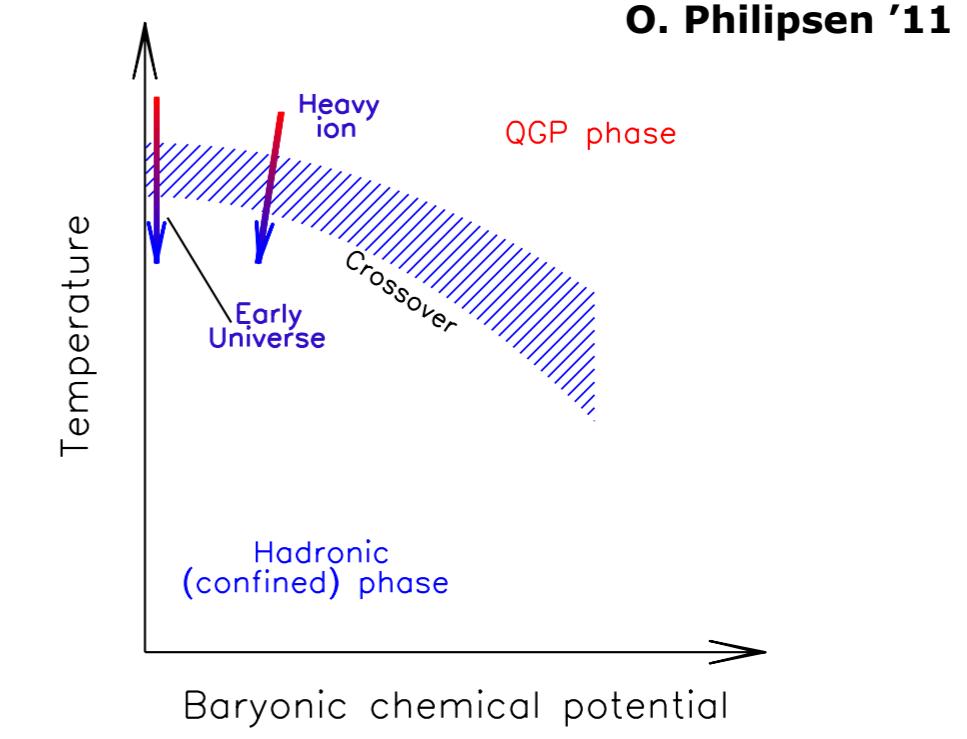
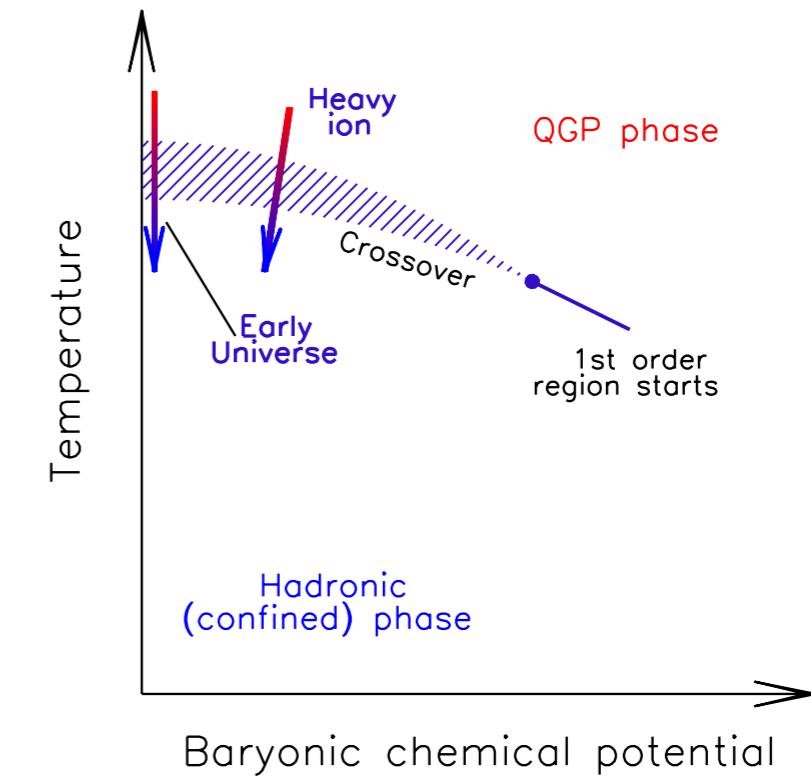
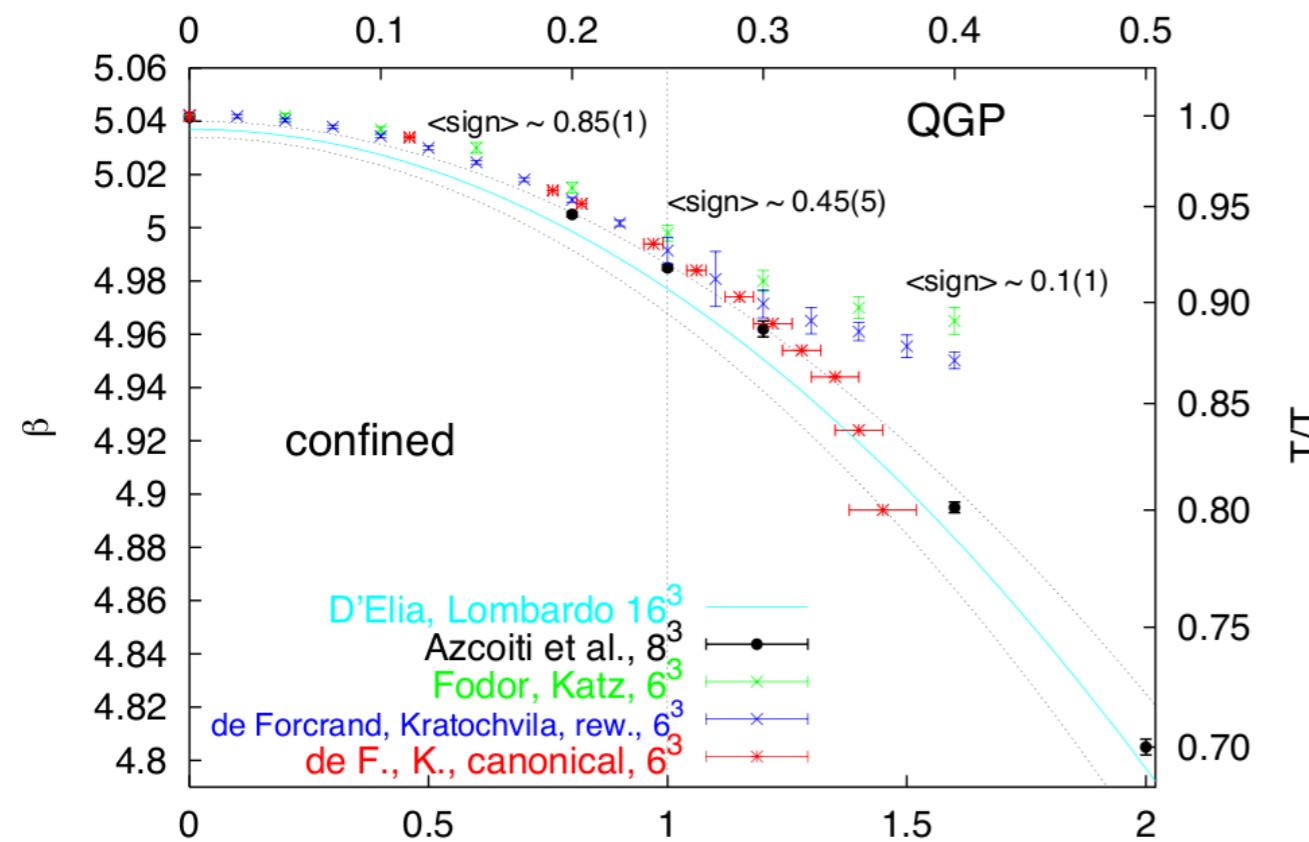
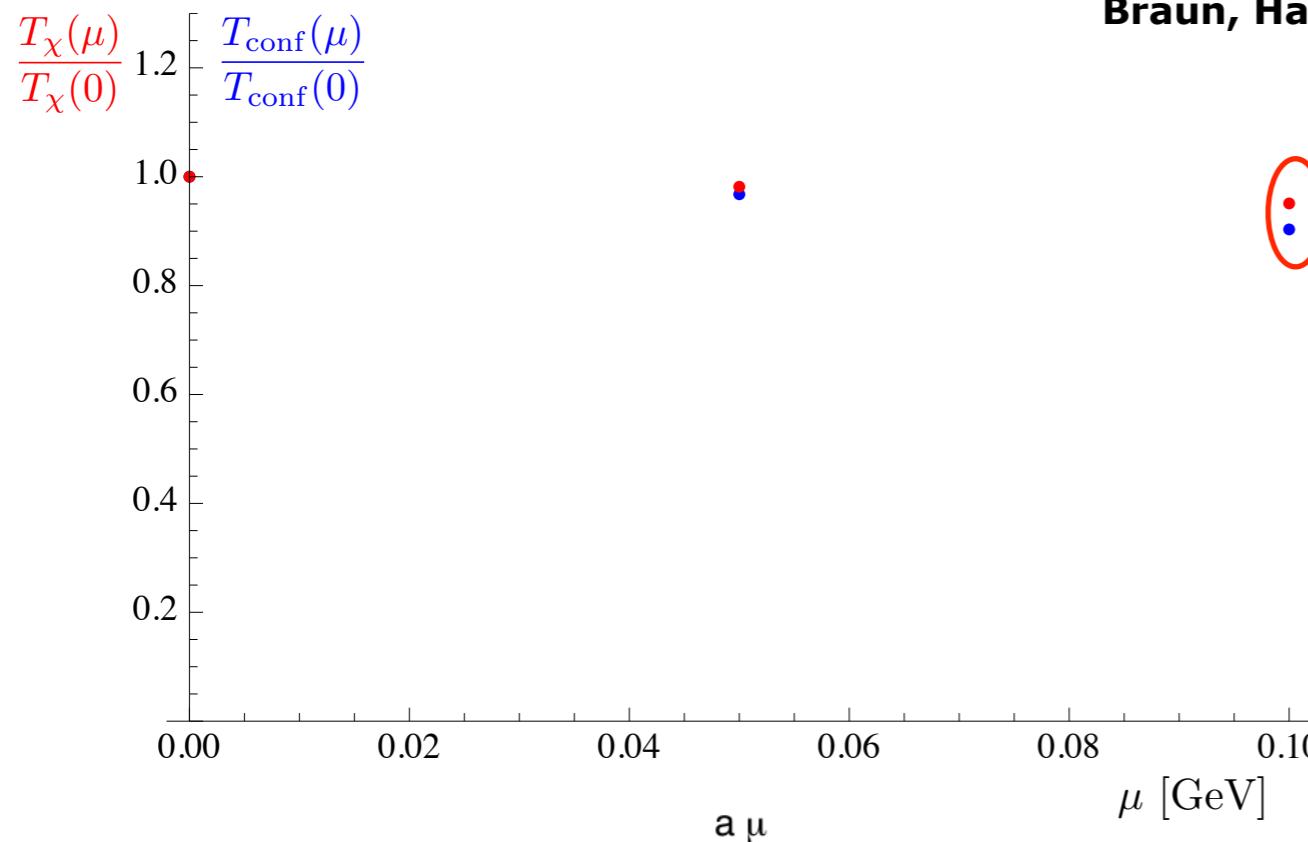
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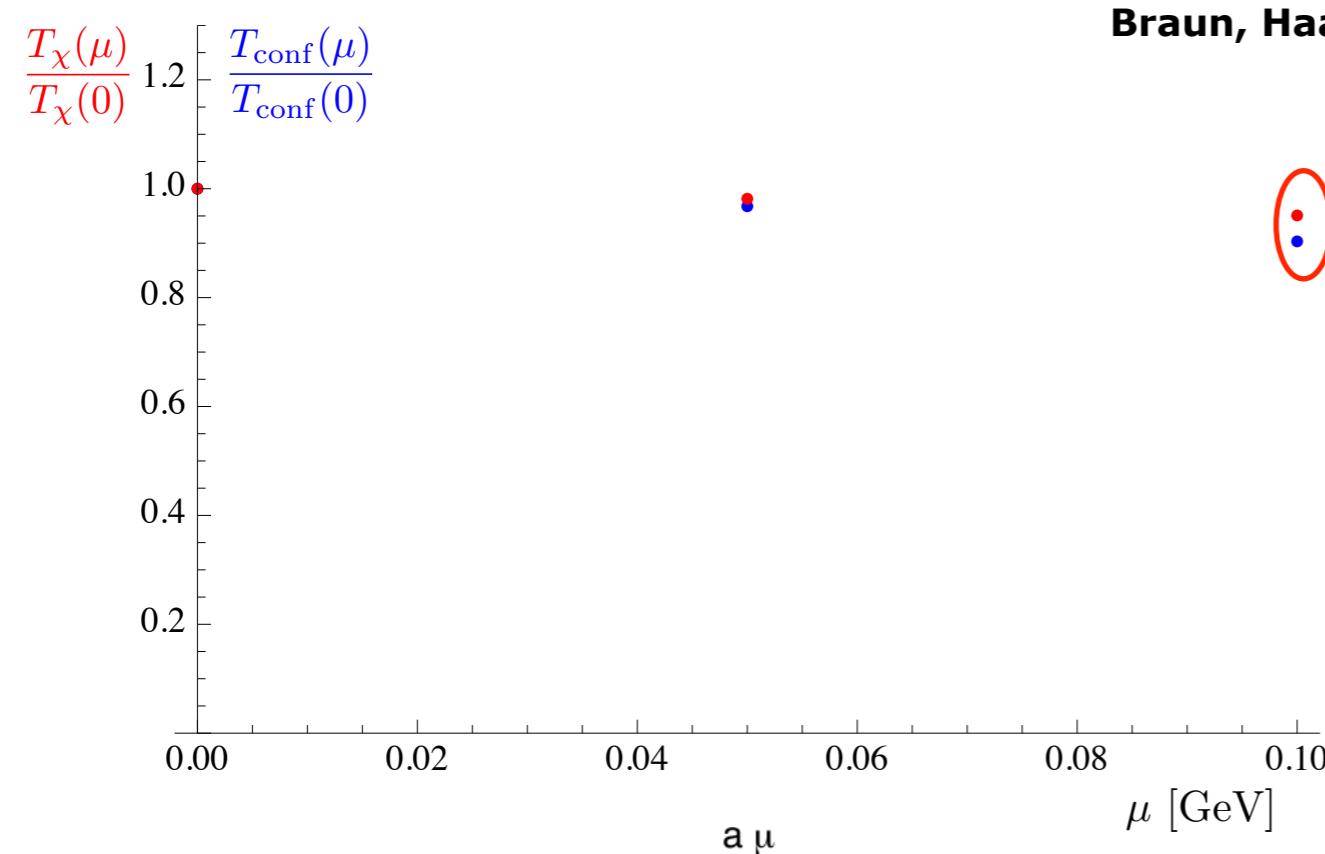


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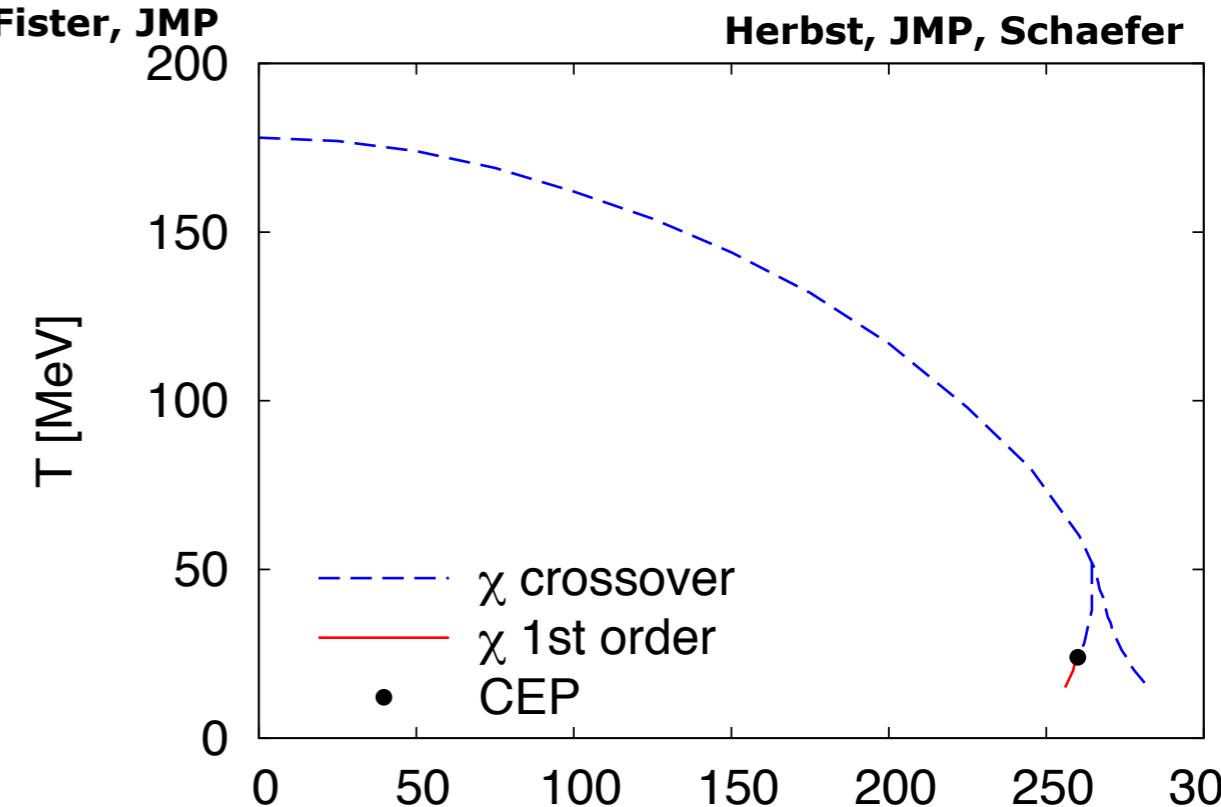


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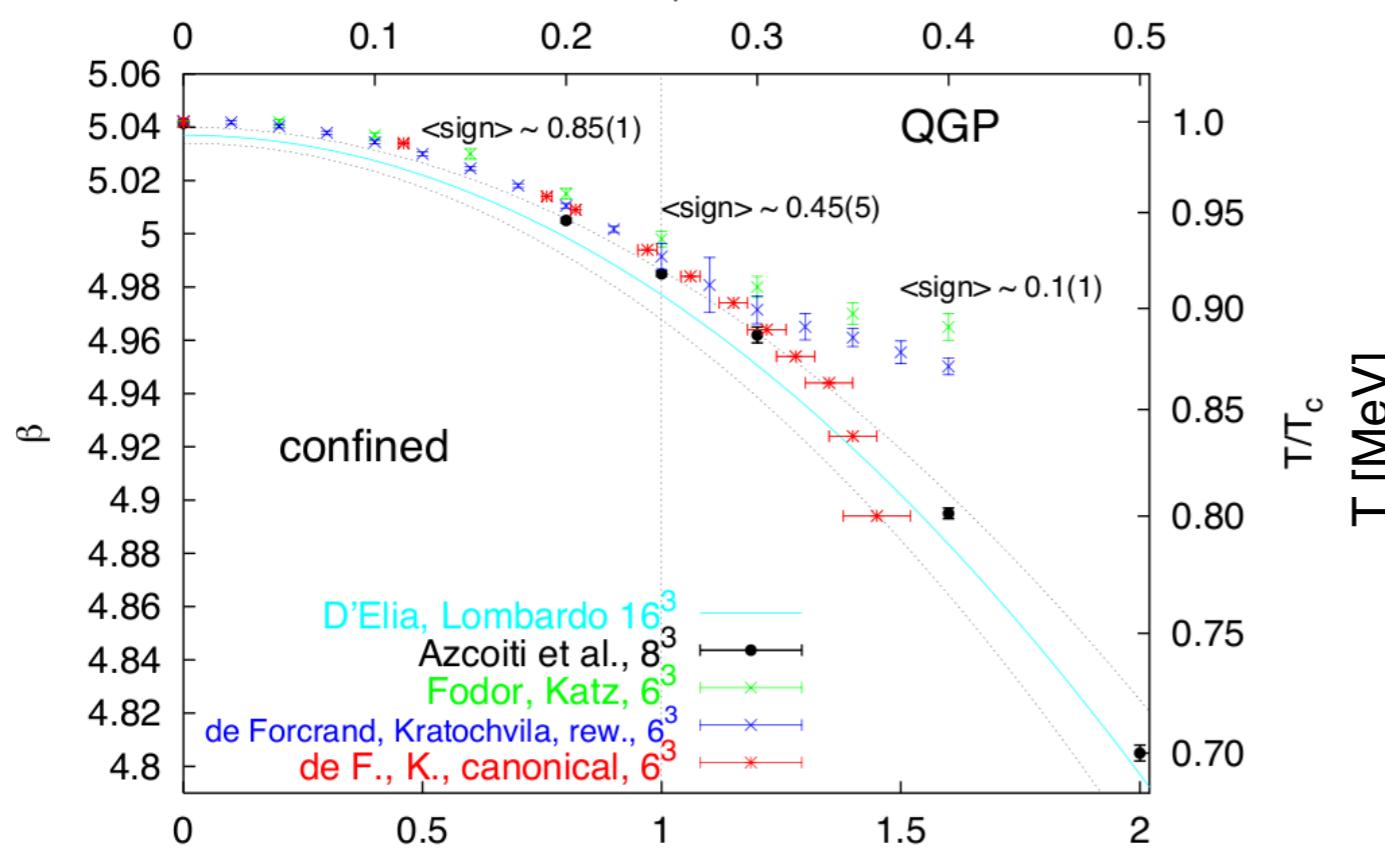
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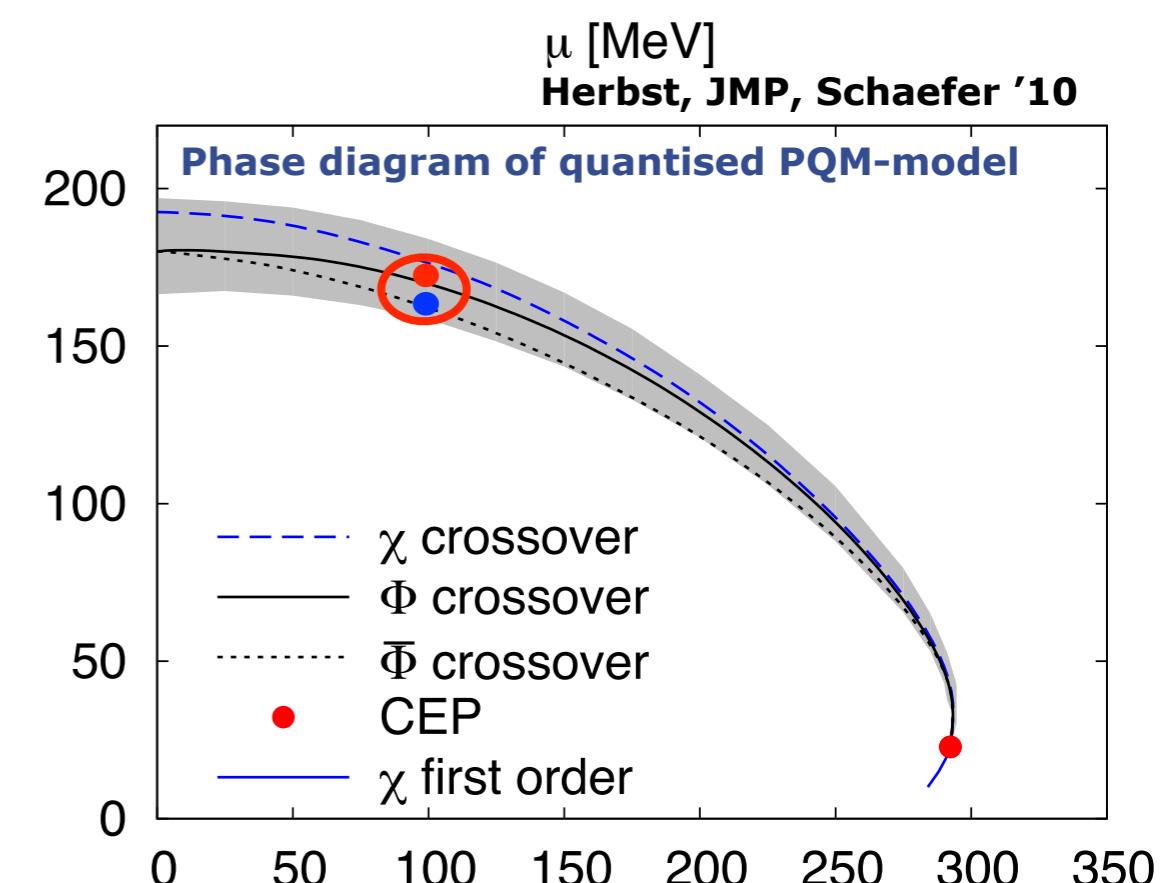
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QGP

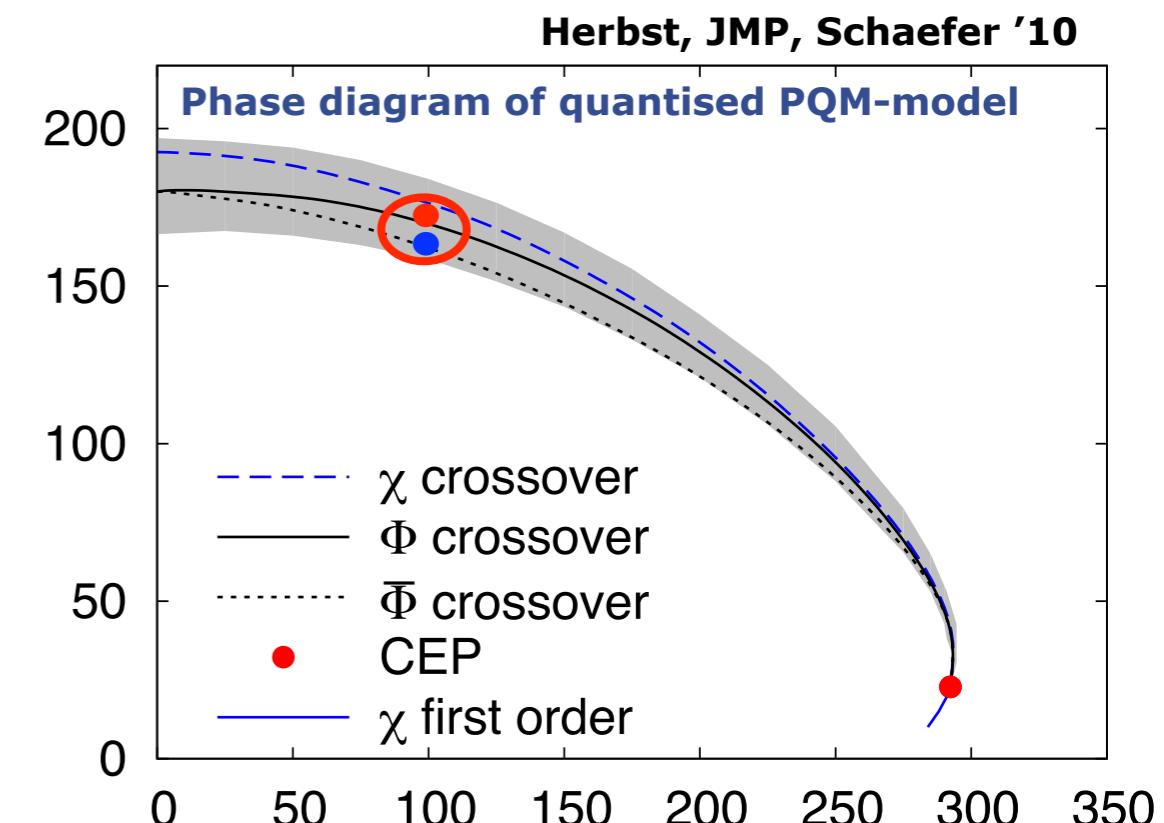
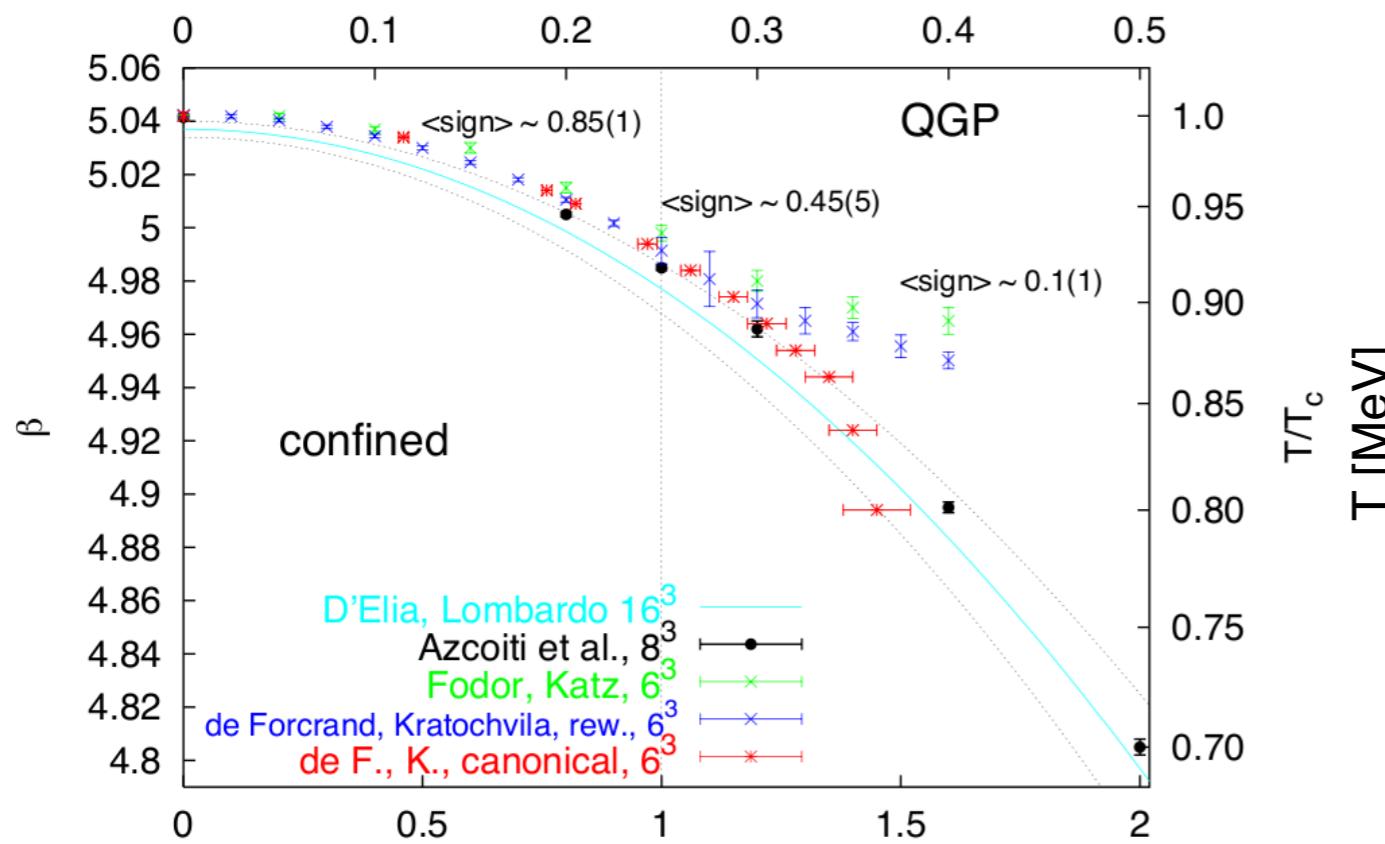
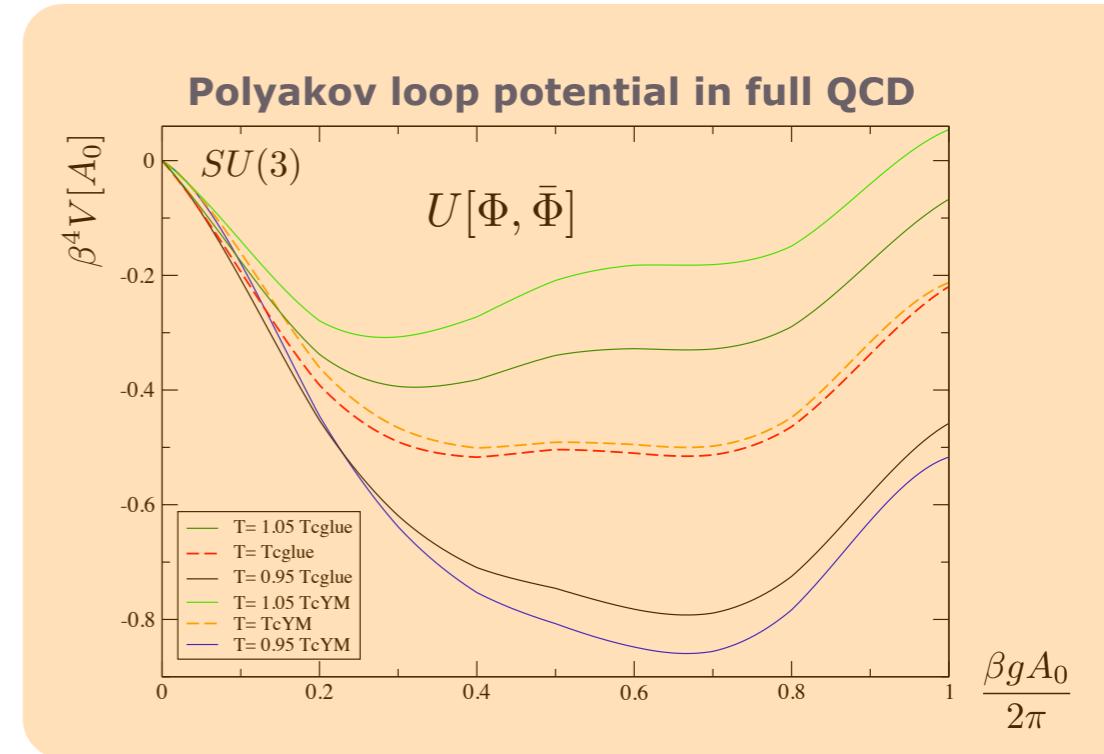
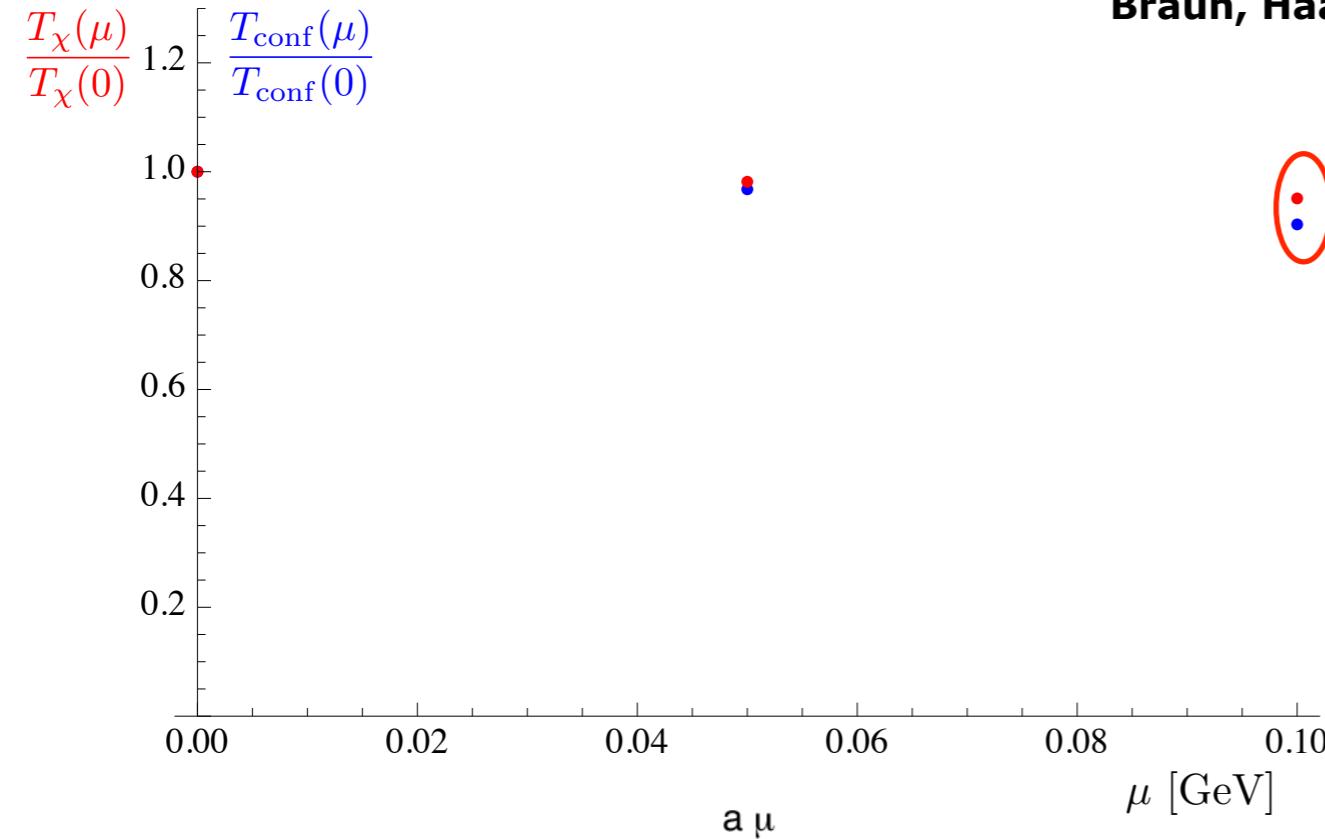


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Phase diagram of quantised PQM-model

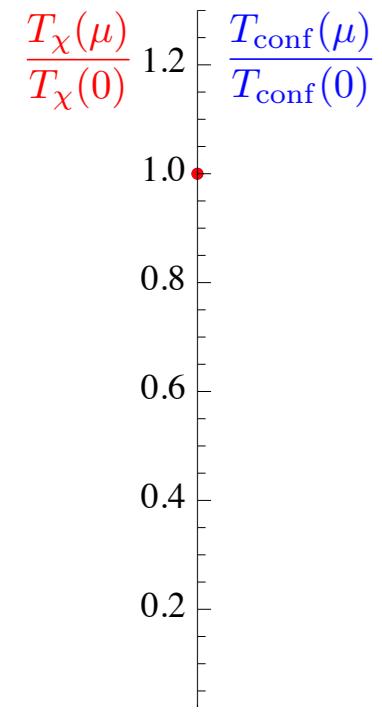
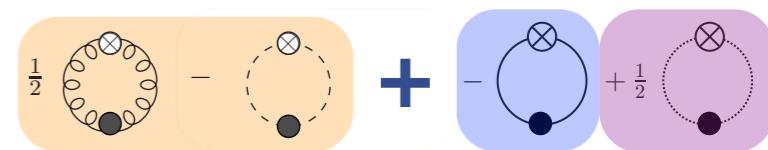
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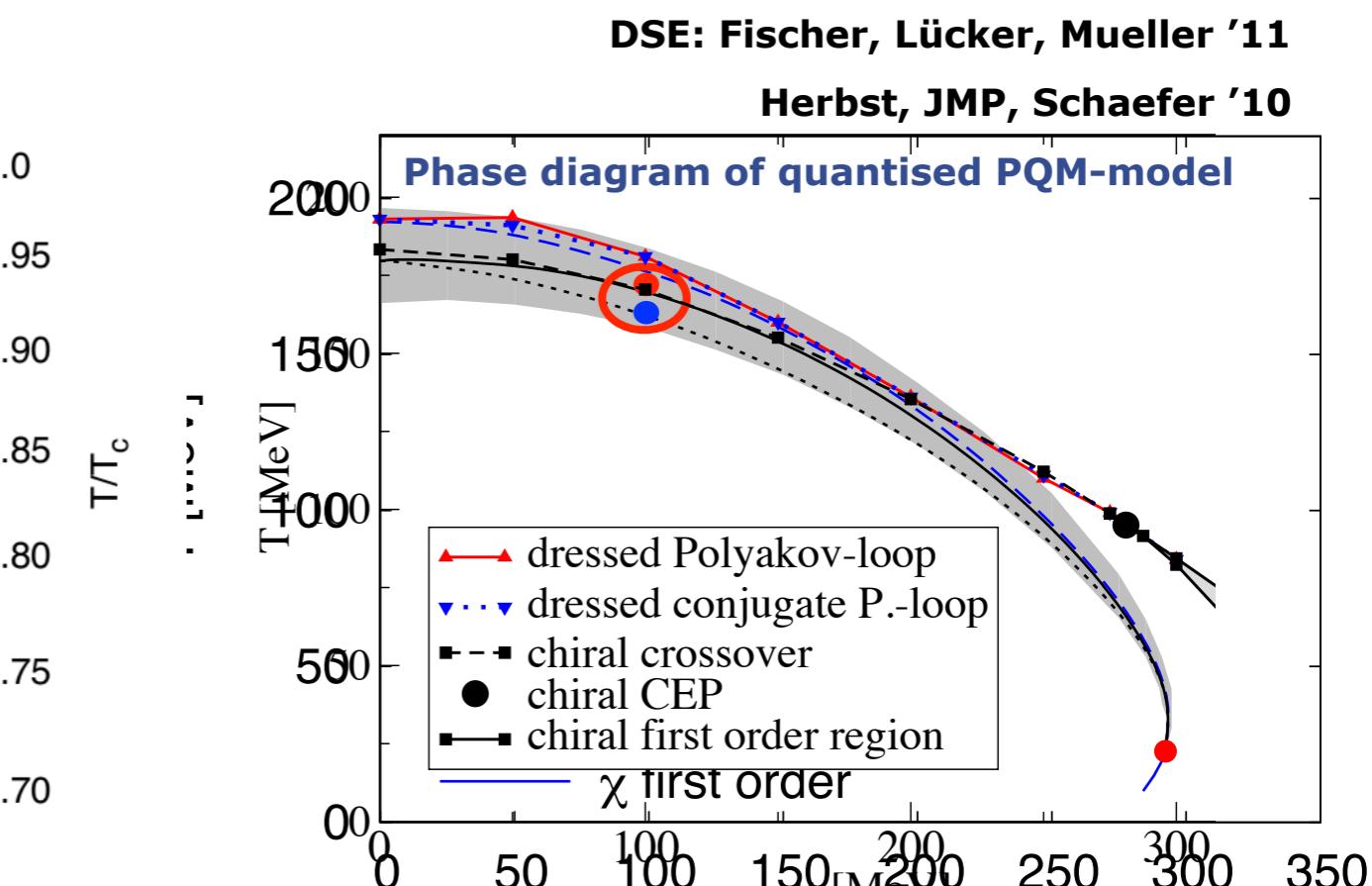
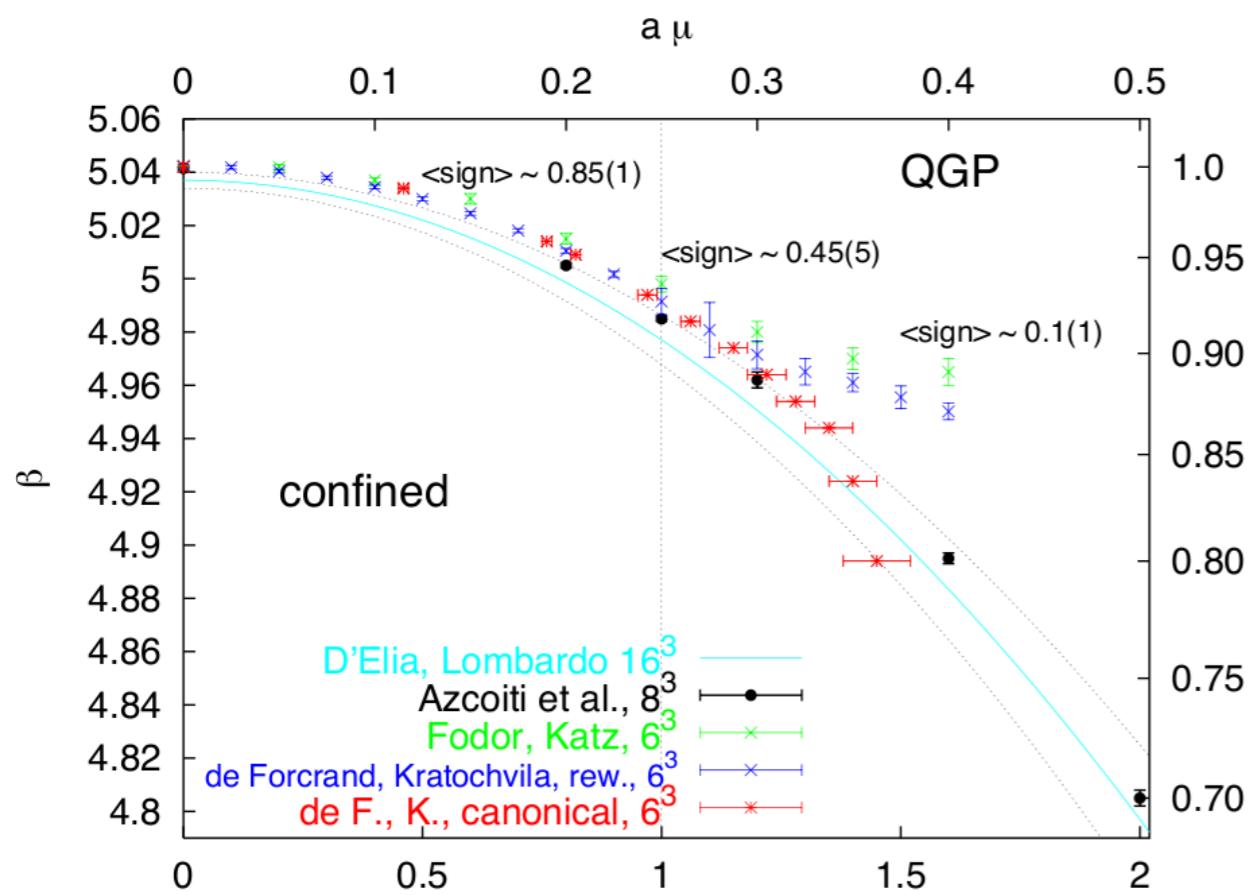
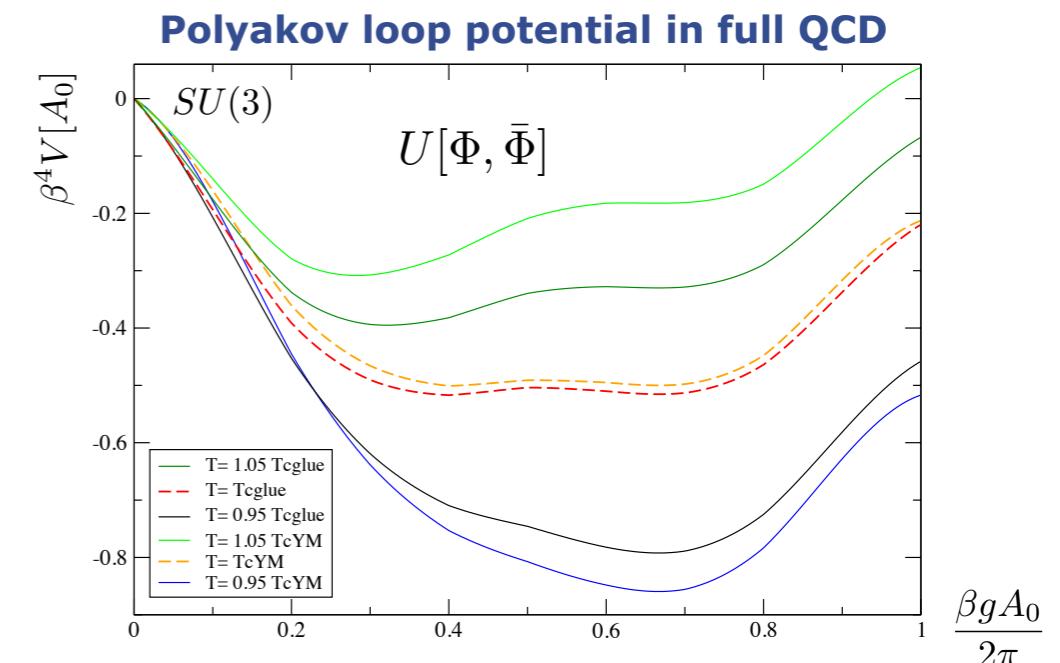


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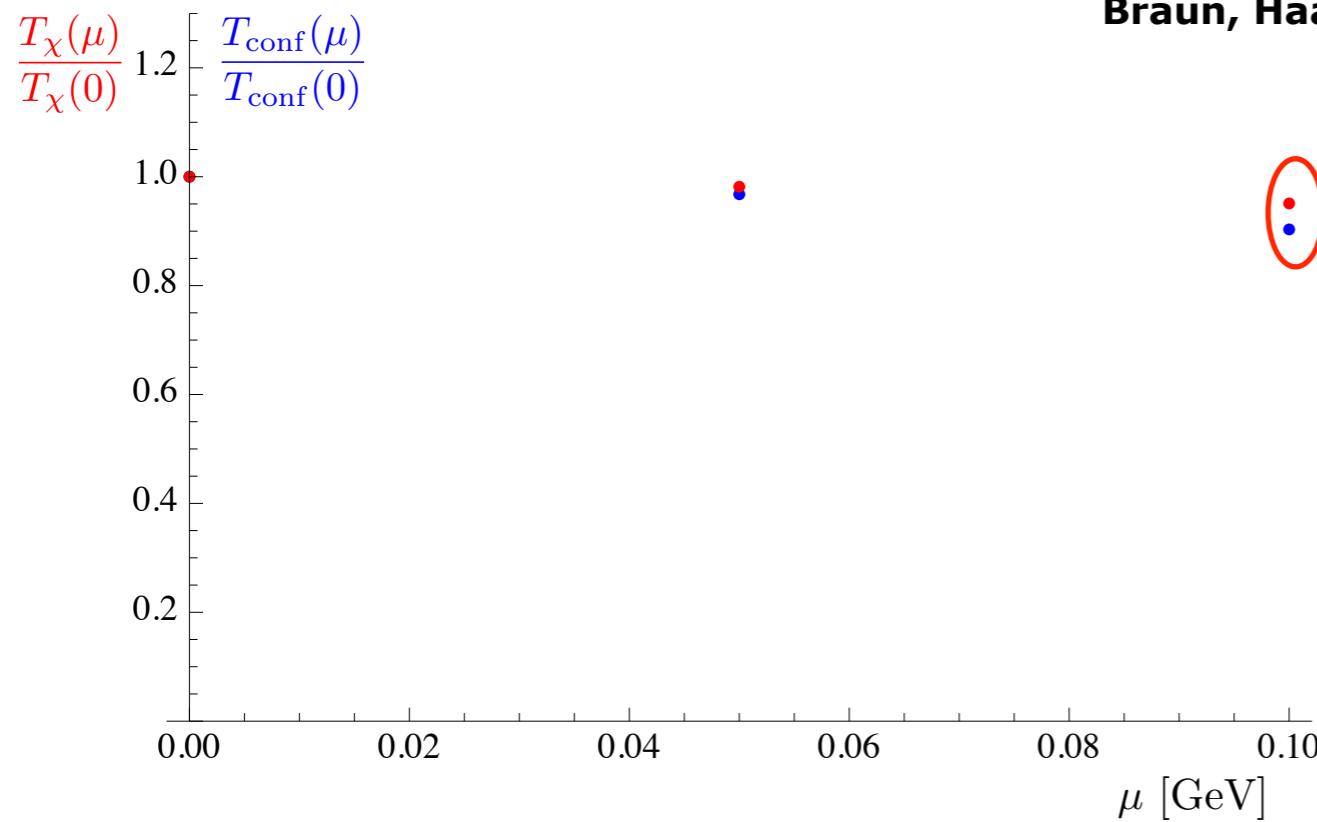


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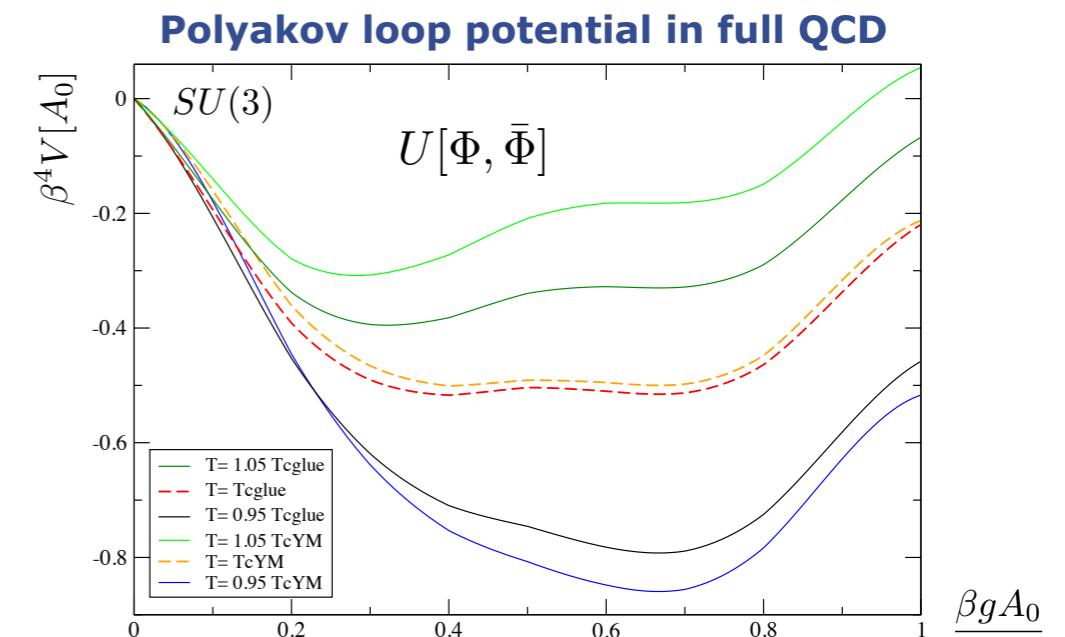


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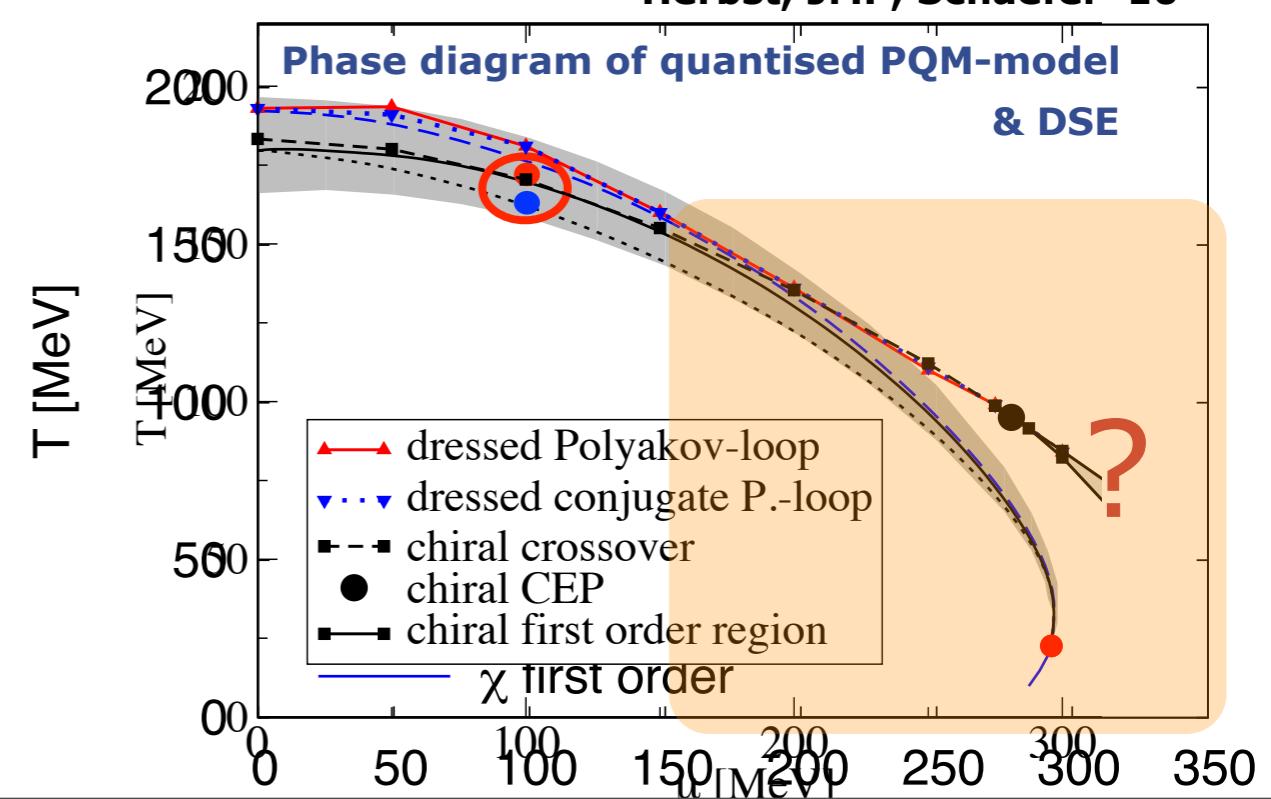


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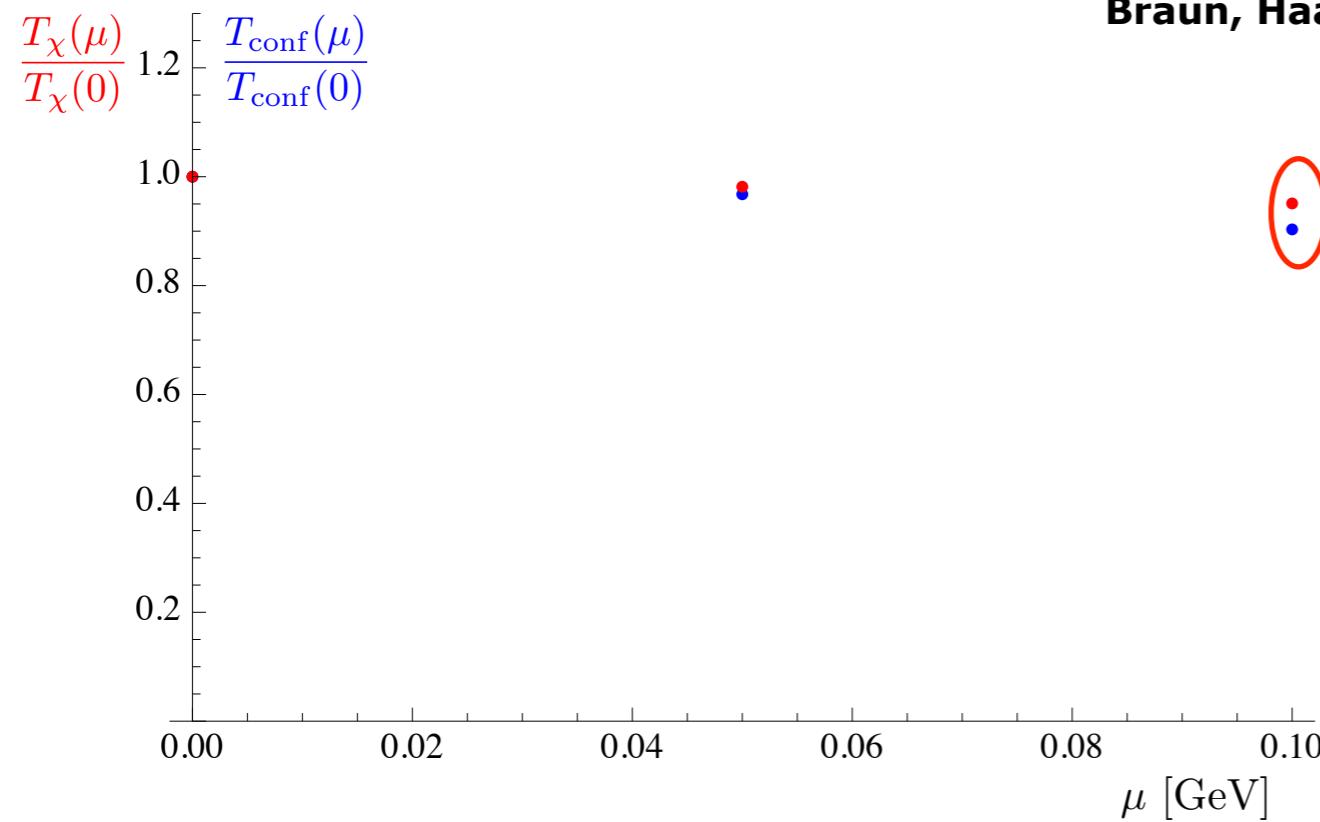
Critical point  
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$$\frac{\mu_B}{T} < 2$$

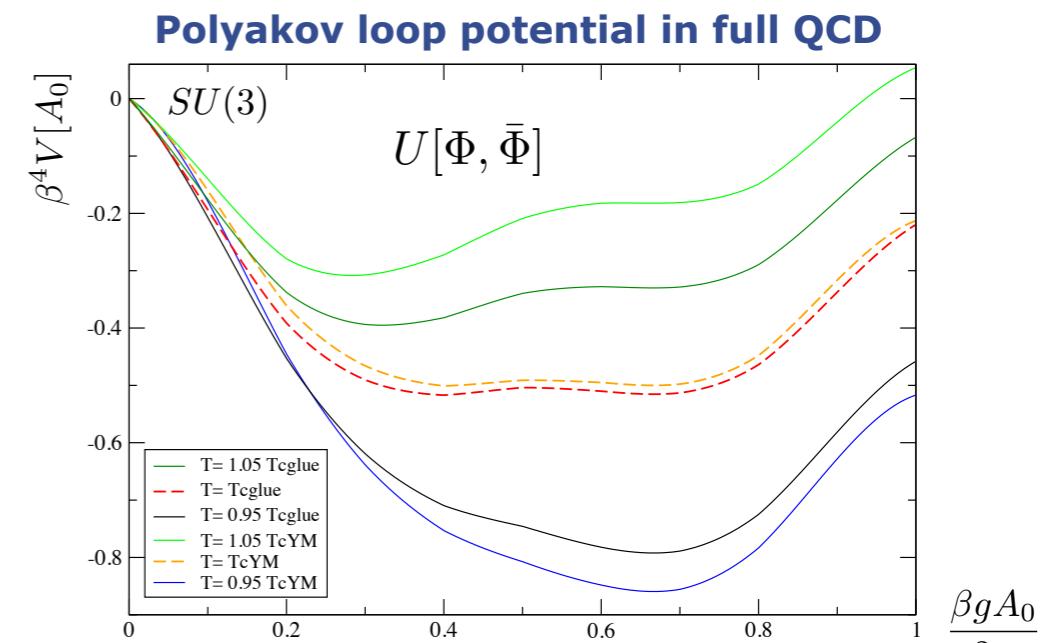


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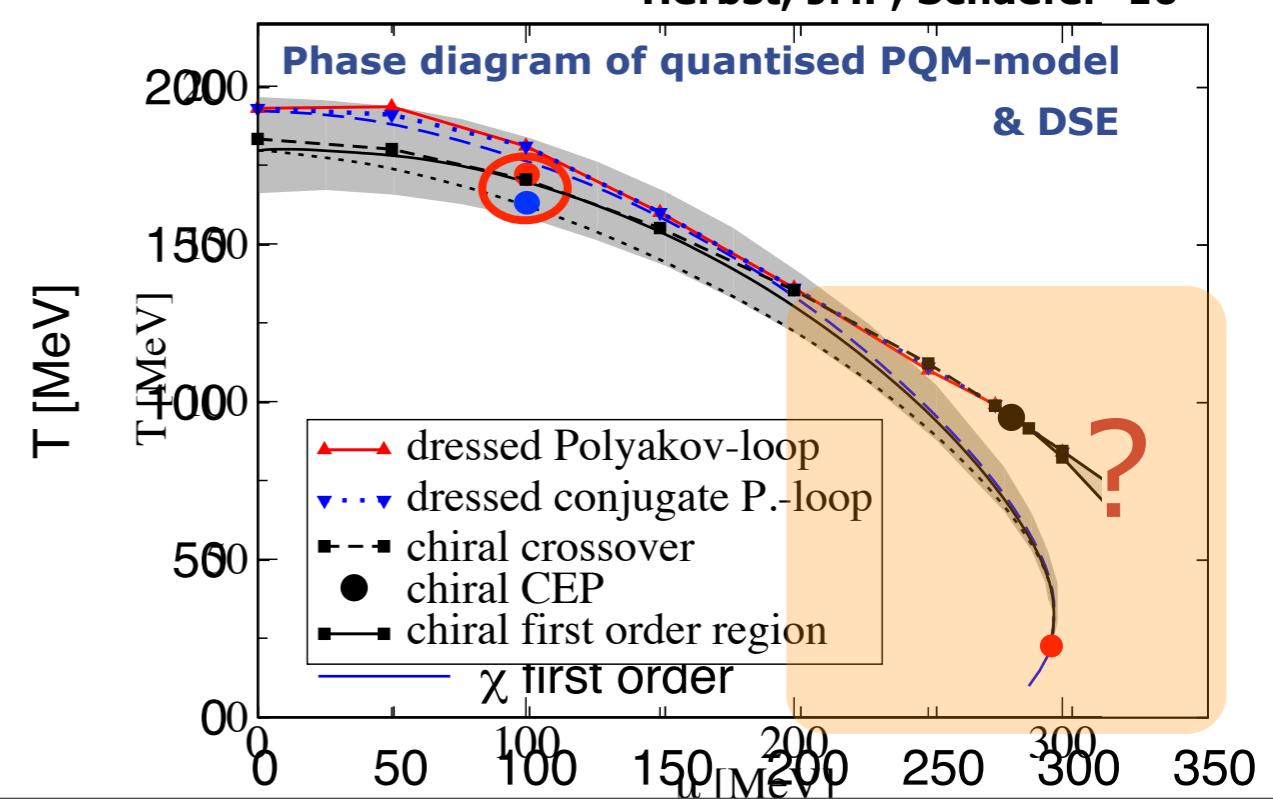


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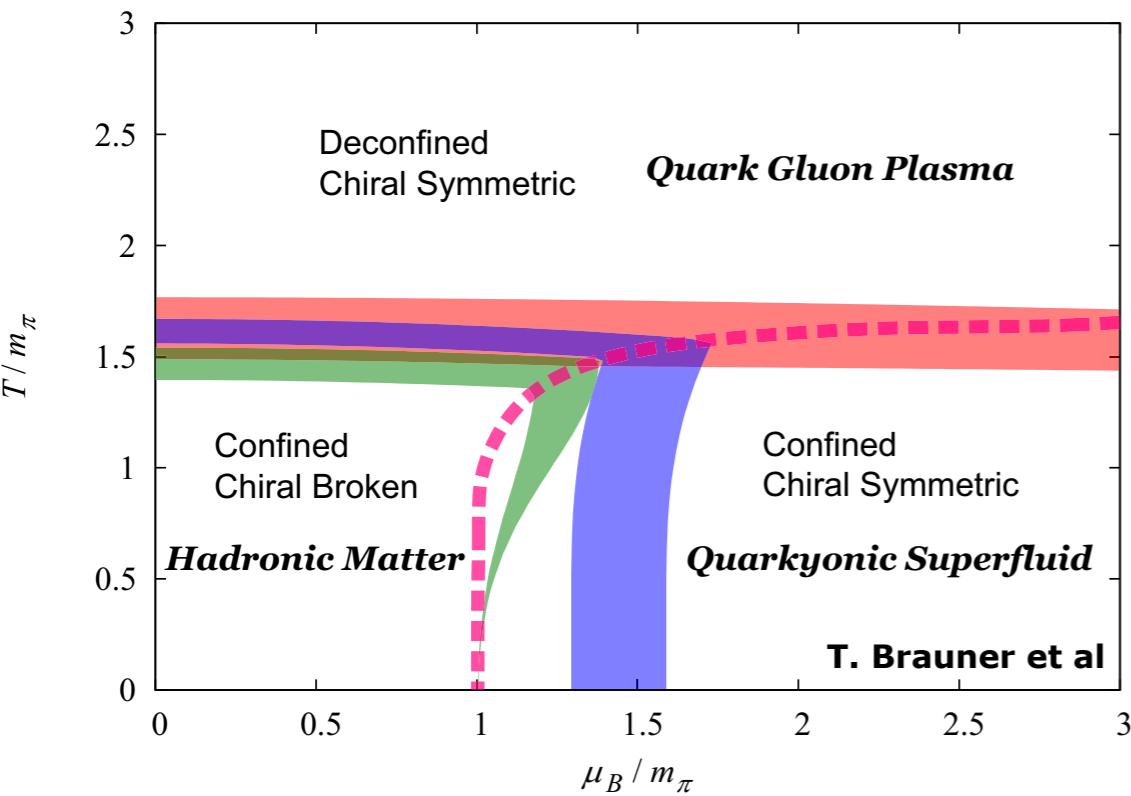
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## a glimpse at baryons

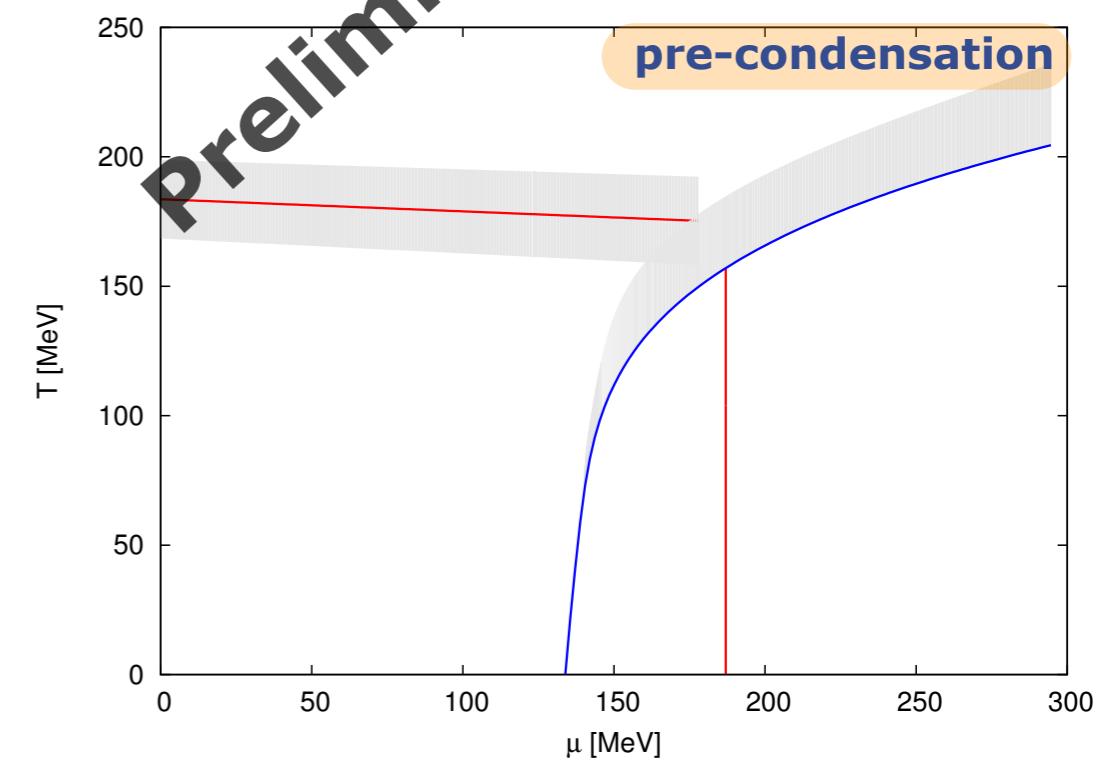
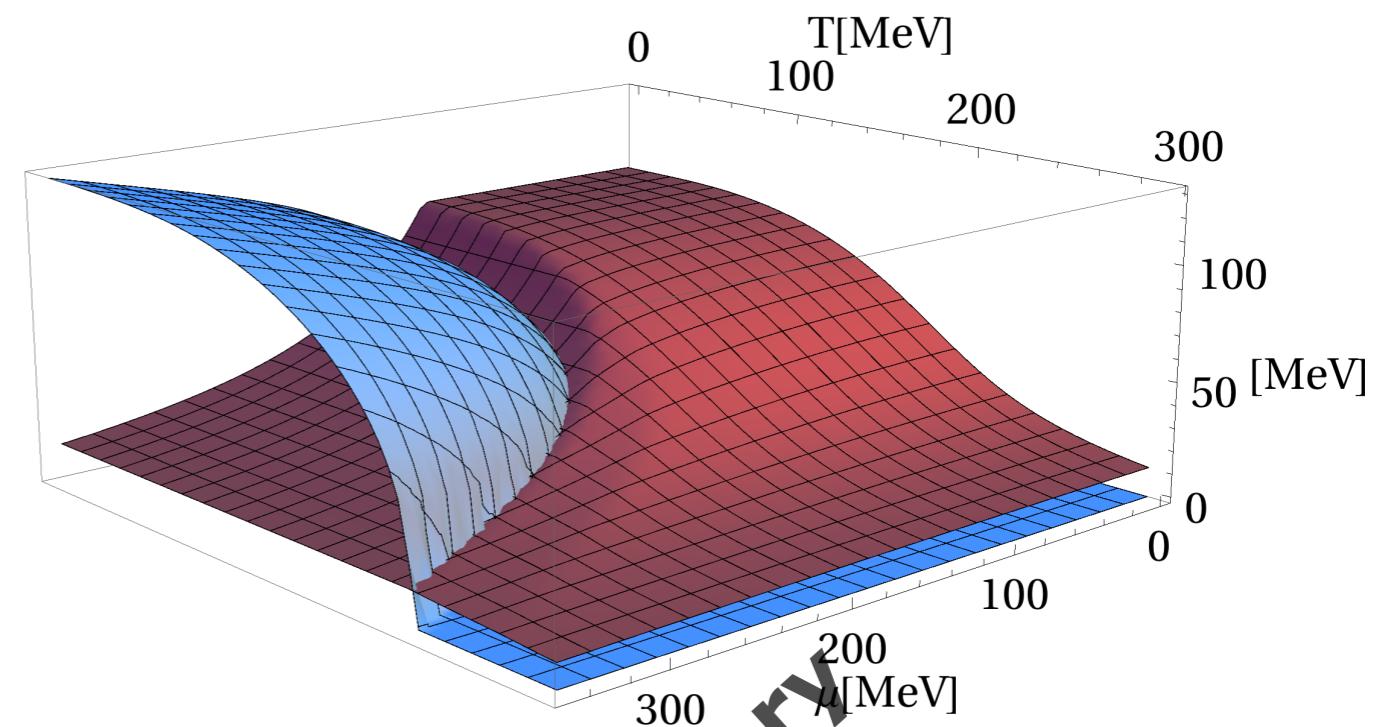
Haas, Khan, JMP, Rennecke, Scherer



two colour QCD

..., Ratti et al '04, ..., Brauner et al '08, ....

see talk of Lorenz von Smekal

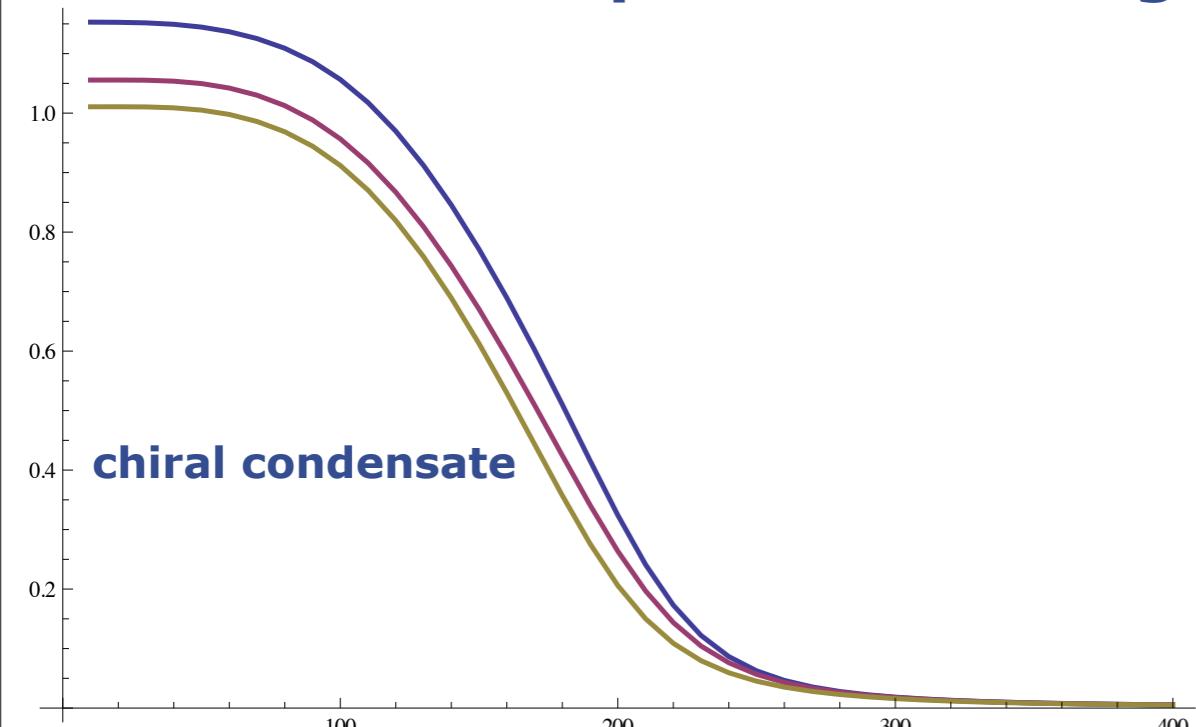


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## a glimpse at multi-scatterings

JMP, Rennecke

### Multi-meson-quark scatterings



PQM model

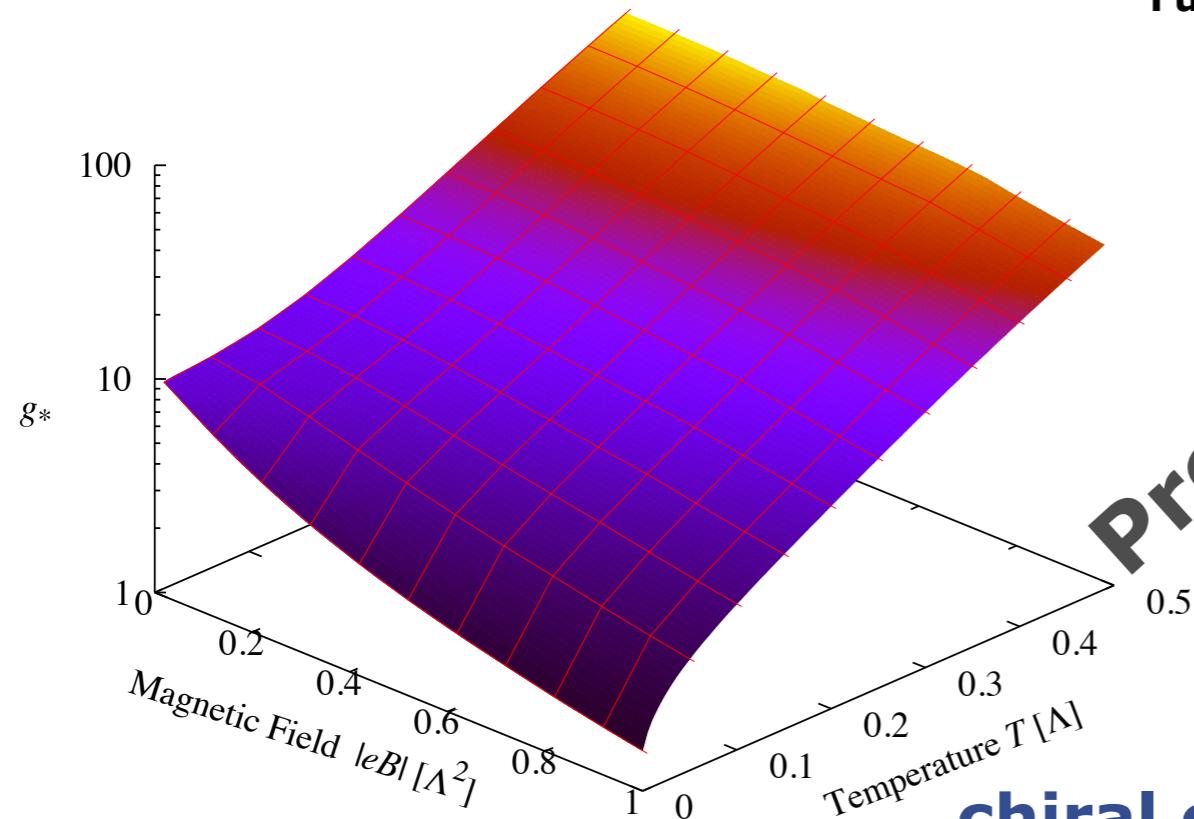


chiral condensate

# Real chemical potential

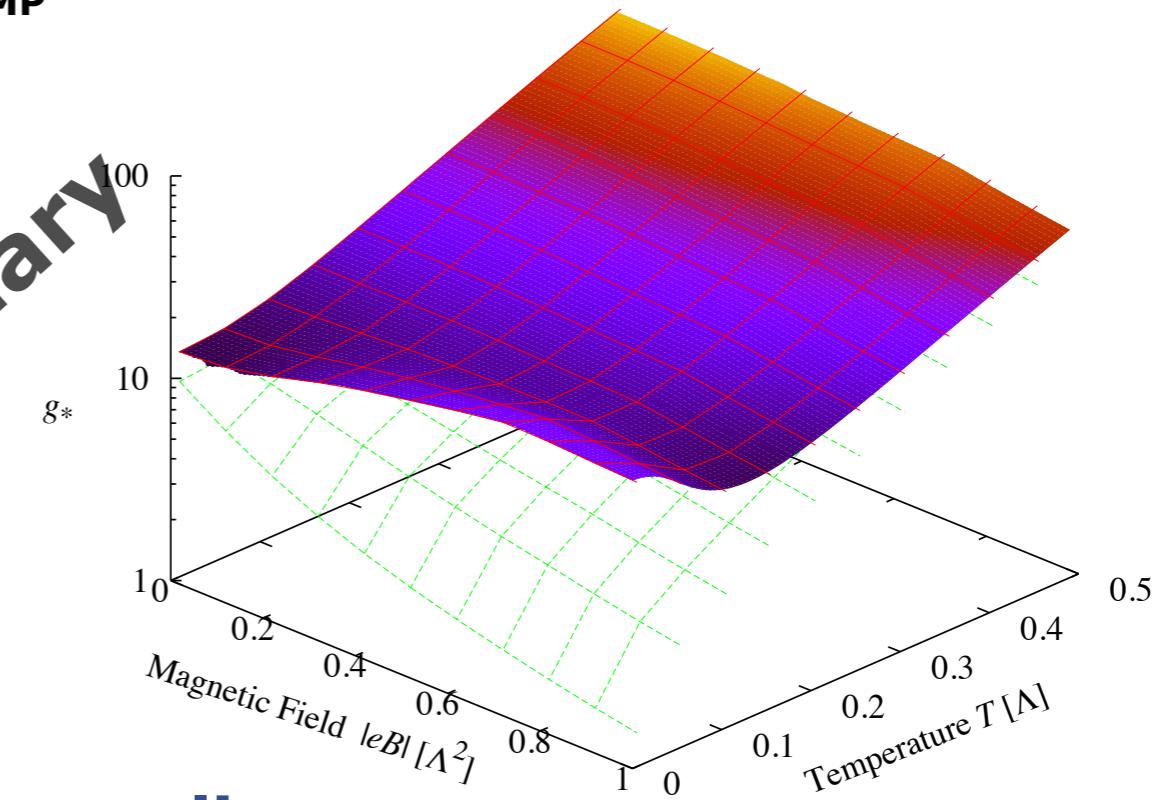
a glimpse at strong magnetic fields

Fukushima,JMP

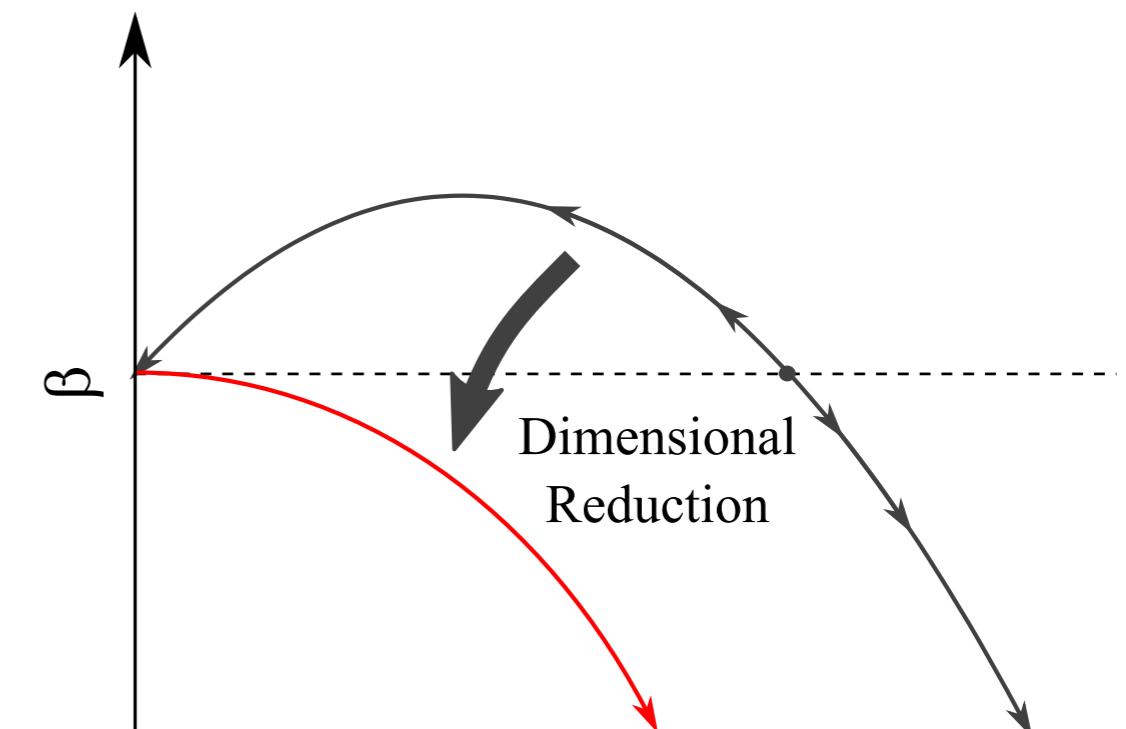


Preliminary

chiral critical coupling



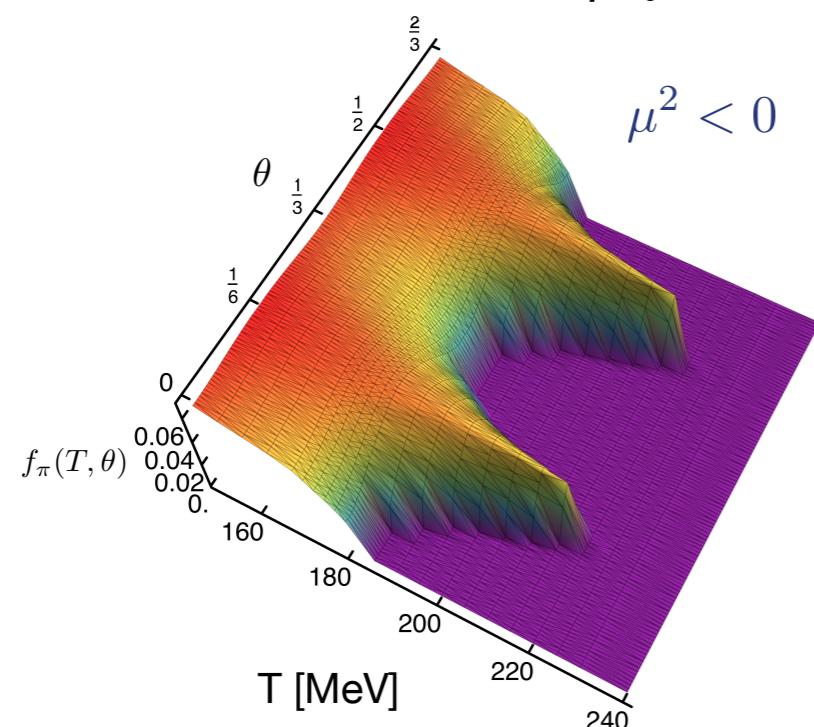
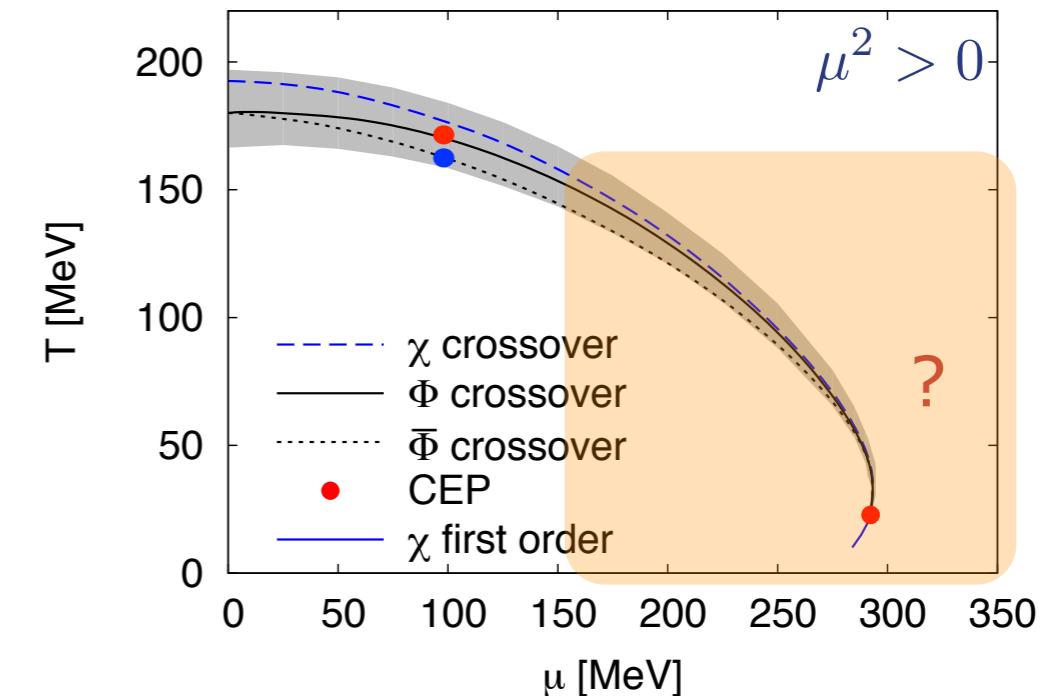
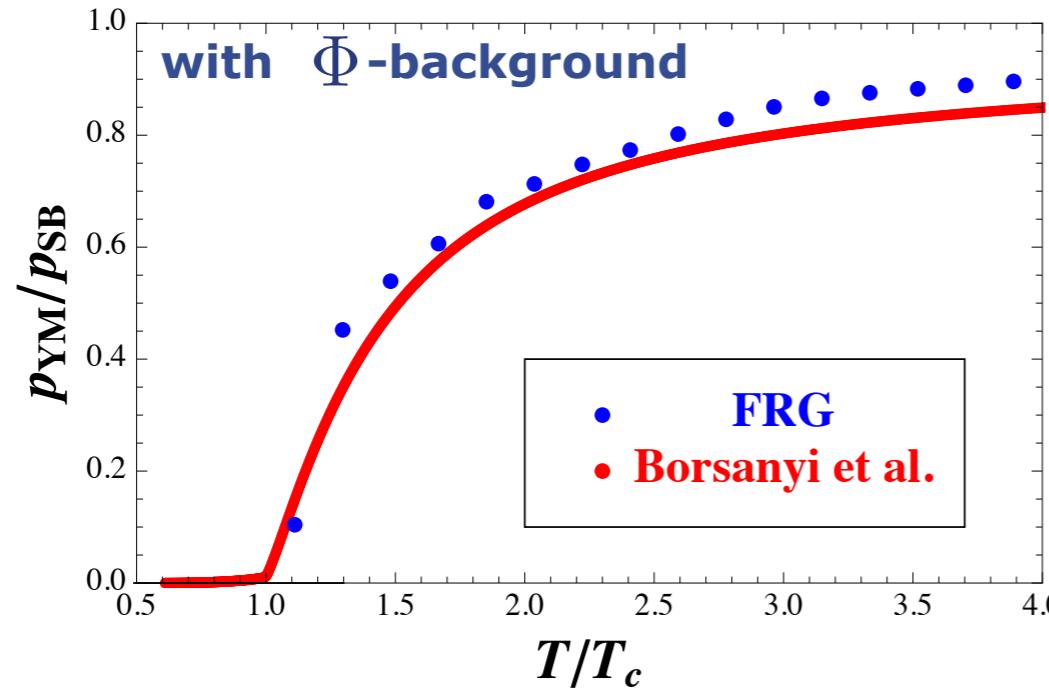
Matter sector



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Critical point  
unlikely for

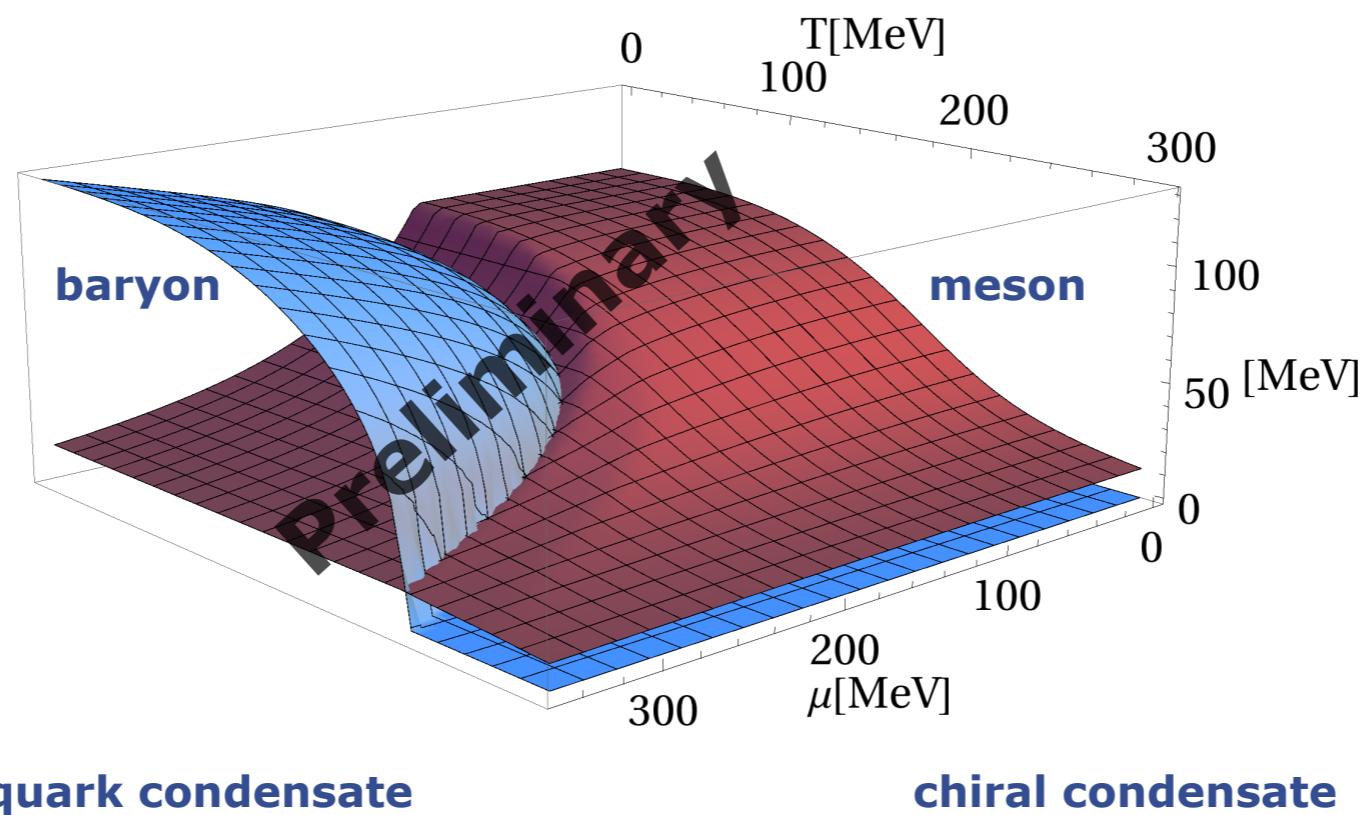
$$\frac{\mu_B}{T} < 2$$

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