



QCD at finite temperature and density

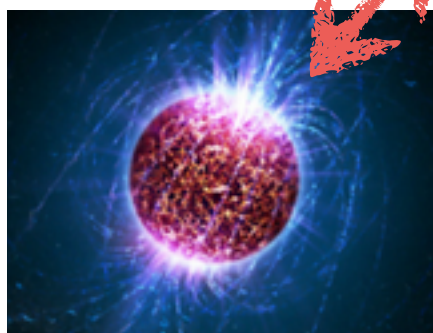
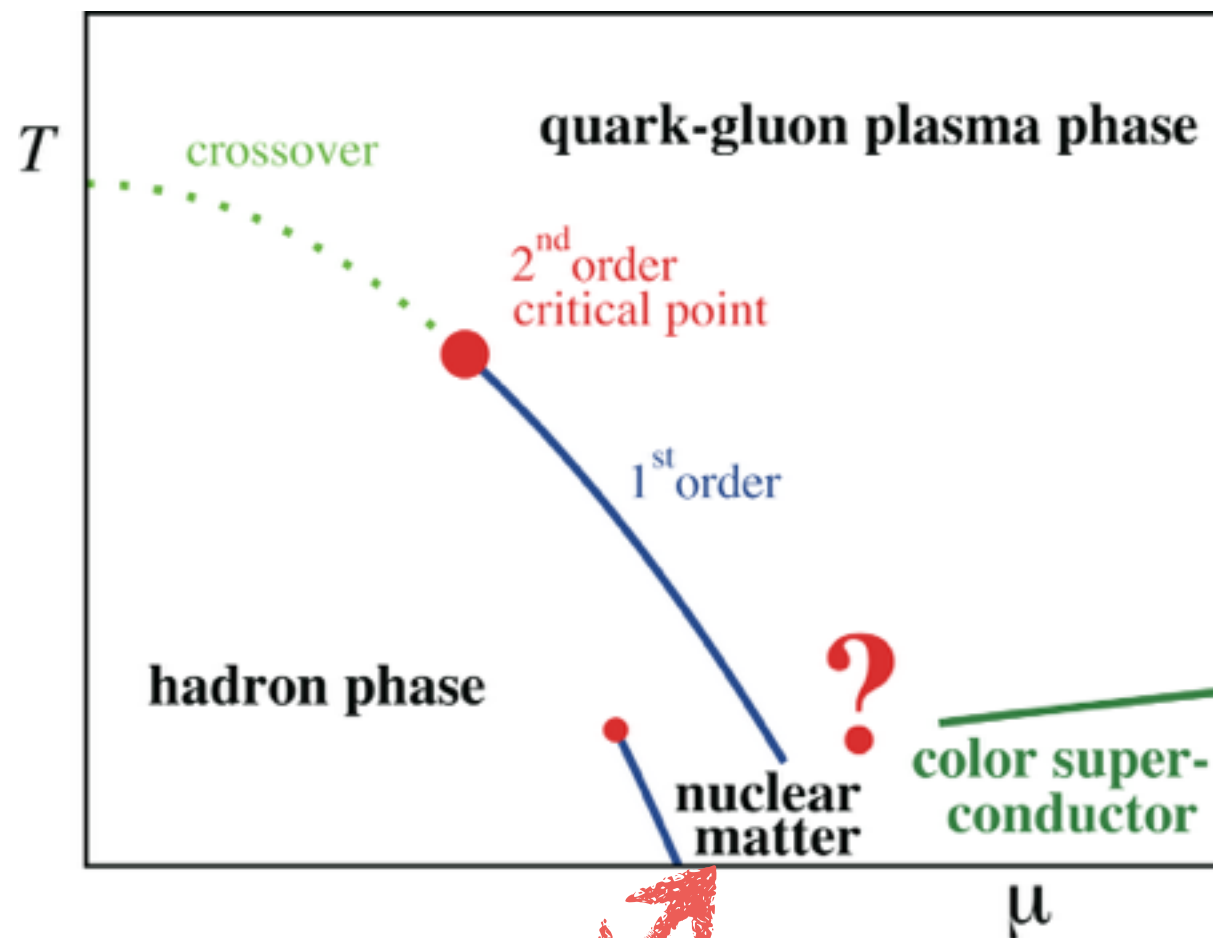
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Phase structure of QCD

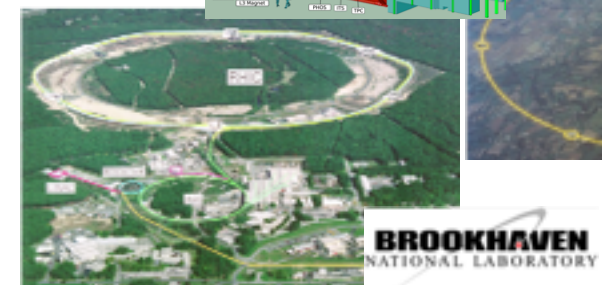
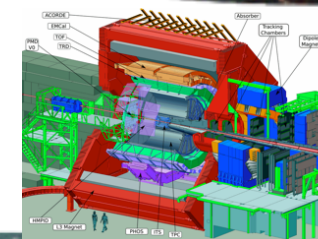
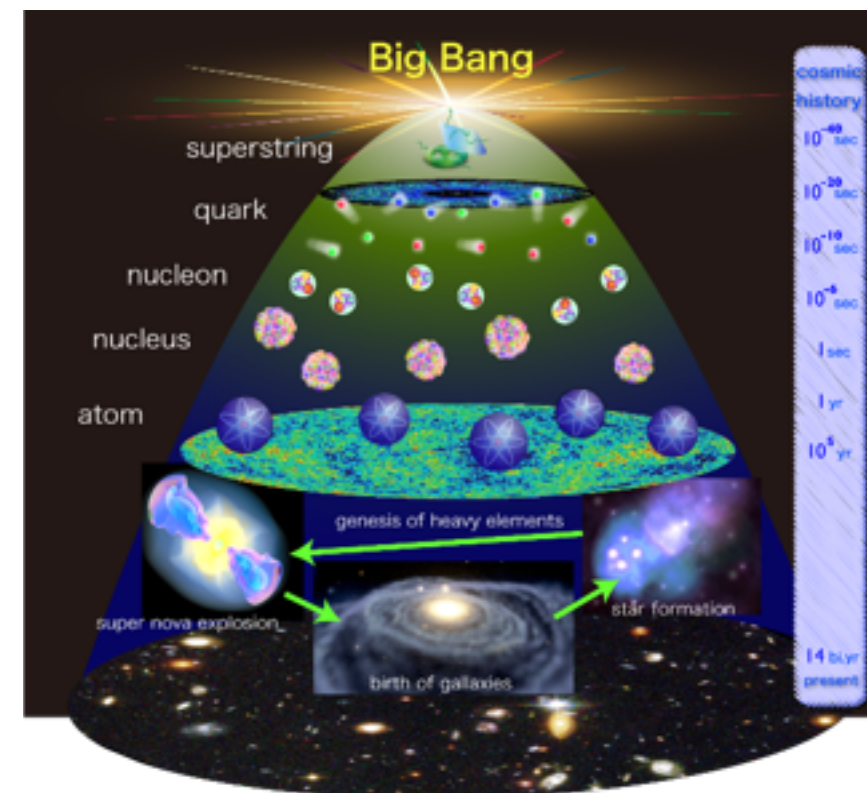
QCD expected to have a rich phase structure at finite T 's and μ 's.



inner structure of neutron and quark stars

early evolution of the Universe, genesis of the matter, ...

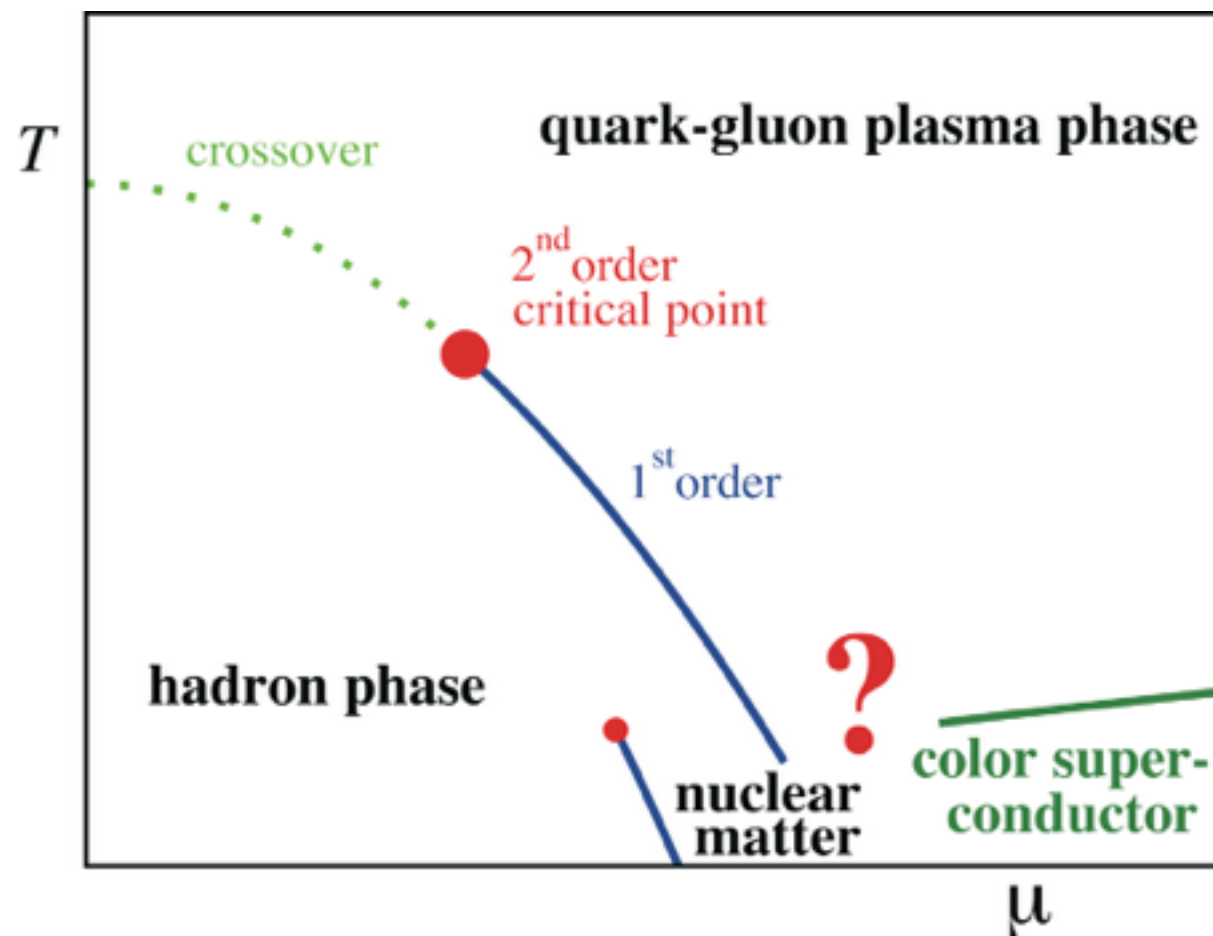
high en. heavy ion experiments at RHIC/LHC/...



\Leftarrow Theoretical inputs directly from the 1st principles of QCD important.

Our motivations

Theoretical inputs directly from the 1st principles of QCD important.



- properties of the matter in each phase:
screening length, susceptibilities, ...
- precise
lines / critical points / ...

We study them using improved **Wilson quarks**, which are guaranteed to have the correct continuum limit.

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Our main results since 2008

- EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with dynamical Wilson quarks

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- EOS with fixed-scale approach

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- Search for the critical point with histogram method

Phys. Rev. D 84 (2011) ref.054502, “Phase structure of finite temperature QCD in the heavy quark region”, H. Saito, S. Ejiri, S. Aoki, T. Hatsuda, K. Kanaya, Y. Maezawa, H. Ohno, T. Umeda

Phys. Rev. D (2014) in press, “Histograms in heavy-quark QCD at finite temperature and density”, H. Saito, S. Ejiri, S. Aoki, K. Kanaya, Y. Nakagawa, H. Ohno, K. Okuno, T. Umeda

- $Q-\bar{Q}$ interaction and screening masses at finite T and μ

Phys. Rev. D 81 (2010) ref.091501(R), “Electric and Magnetic Screening Masses at Finite Temperature from Generalized Polyakov-Line Correlations in Two-flavor Lattice QCD”, Y. Maezawa, S. Aoki, S. Ejiri, T. Hatsuda, N. Ishii, K. Kanaya, N. Ukita and T. Umeda

Prog. Theor. Phys. 128 (2012), “Application of fixed scale approach to static quark free energies in quenched and 2 + 1 flavor lattice QCD with improved Wilson quark action”, Y. Maezawa, T. Umeda, S. Aoki, S. Ejiri, T. Hatsuda, K. Kanaya and H. Ohno

- Charmonium dissociation with variational method

Phys. Rev. D 84 (2011) ref.094504, “Charmonium spectral functions with the variational method in zero and finite temperature lattice QCD”, H. Ohno, S. Aoki, S. Ejiri, K. Kanaya, Y. Maezawa, H. Saito and T. Umeda

Lattice QCD at $\mu \neq 0$

● LQCD at $\mu \neq 0$ $U_4 \longrightarrow \begin{cases} U_4 e^{\mu a} & \dots & \text{positive } t \text{ direction} \\ U_4 e^{-\mu a} & \dots & \text{negative } t \text{ direction} \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow [\det M(\mu)]^* = \det M(-\mu^*) \neq \det M(\mu)$

\Rightarrow MC based on importance sampling with $\det M$ not justified

● Sign problem (complex phase problem)

phase-quenched simulation by $\det M \rightarrow |\det M|$, and handling the phase in the measurement

“reweighting”
$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle &= \frac{\int d\Phi \mathcal{O} e^{-S}}{\int d\Phi e^{-S}} \\ &= \frac{\int d\Phi \mathcal{O} e^{-\Delta S} e^{-S+\Delta S}}{\int d\Phi e^{-\Delta S} e^{-S+\Delta S}} = \frac{\langle \mathcal{O} e^{-\Delta S} \rangle_{S-\Delta S}}{\langle e^{-\Delta S} \rangle_{S-\Delta S}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int DU \mathcal{O} [\det M]^{N_F} e^{-S_g} = \frac{\langle \mathcal{O} e^{i N_F \theta} \rangle_{\text{p.q.}}}{\langle e^{i N_F \theta} \rangle_{\text{p.q.}}}, \quad \det M = |\det M| e^{i\theta}$$

\Rightarrow Exponentially high statistic required when θ fluctuates a lot (\propto large μ).

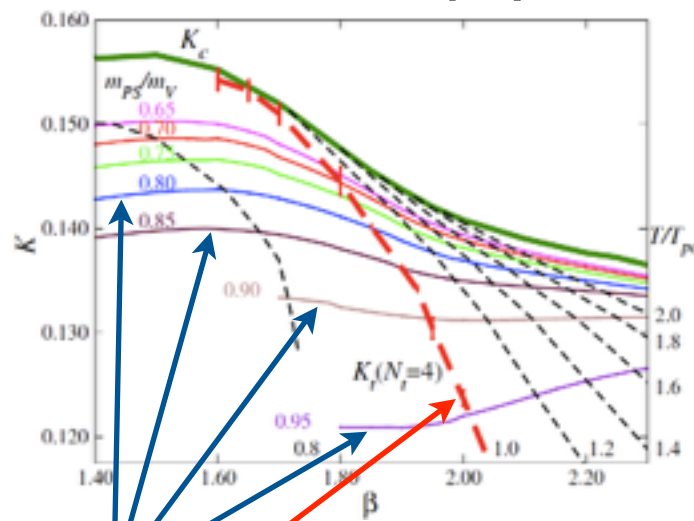
Lattice QCD at $\mu \neq 0$

- Techniques for small μ/T
 - ◆ Taylor expansion around $\mu = 0$
 - ◆ multi-parameter reweighting
 - ◆ imaginary μ (analytic continuation to real μ)
 - ◆ canonical ensemble
 - ◆ complex Langevin
 - ◆ Lefschetz thimble etc. etc.
 - ◆ combination of them & other techniques
to extend the range of applicability

EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with Wilson quarks

Our previous study at $\mu=0$: $N_F = 2$ QCD, $N_t=4, (6)$ PRD 63, 034502 (2001);
PRD 64, 074510 (2001);
PRD 75, 074501 (2007)

Lines of constant physics

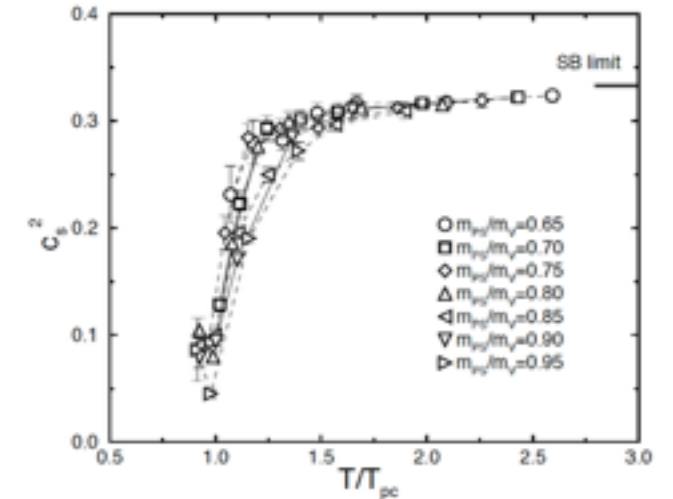
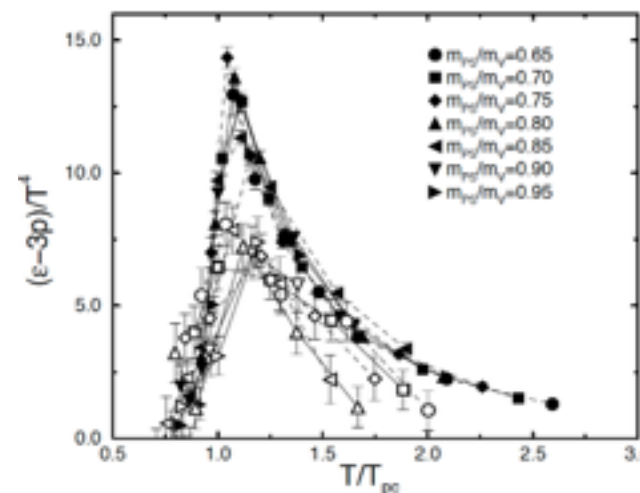


LCP's defined by m_π/m_ρ at $T=0$
Finite T crossover for $N_t=4$.

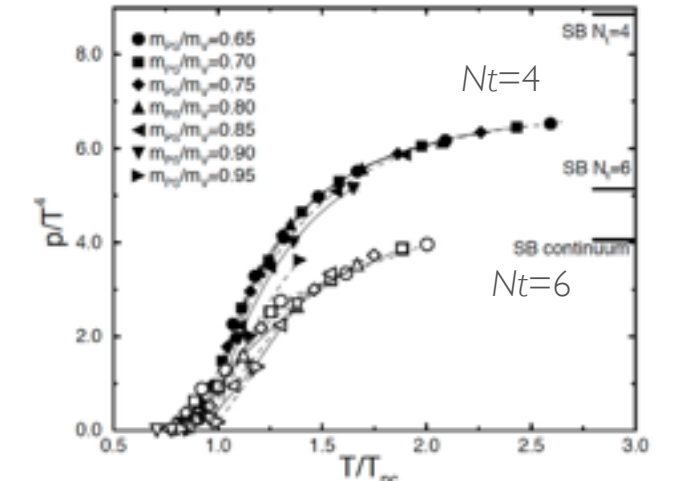
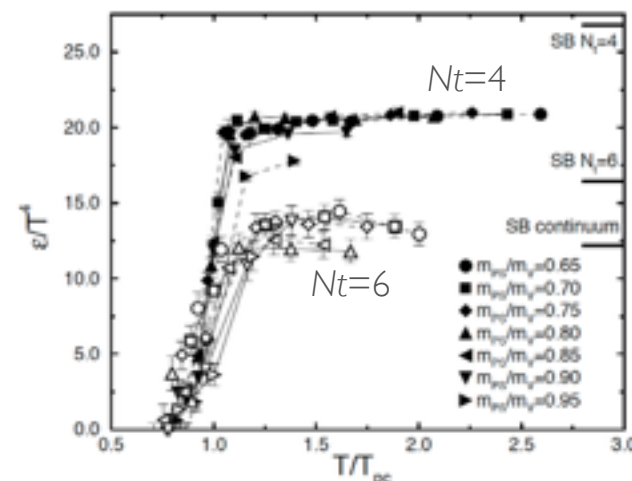
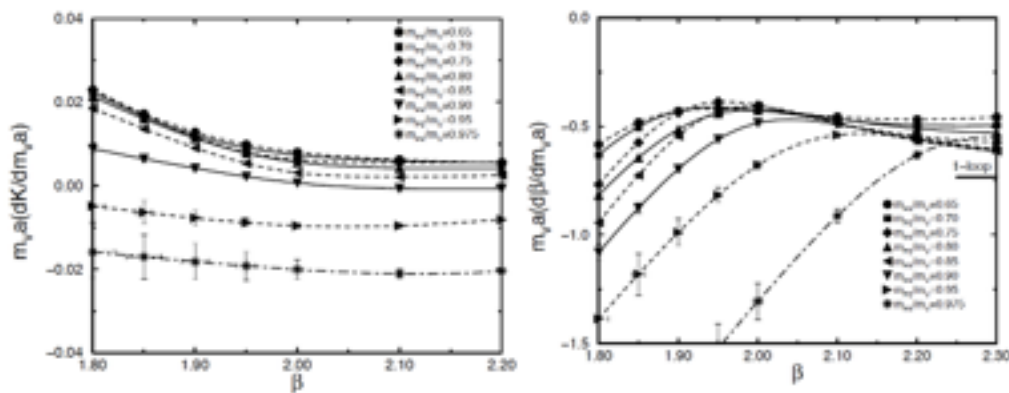
Equation of state by integration method

$$\frac{\epsilon - 3p}{T^4} = N_t^4 \left\{ \left\langle a \frac{dS}{da} \right\rangle - \left\langle a \frac{dS}{da} \right\rangle_{T=0} \right\} = \frac{N_t^3}{N_s^3} \sum_i a \frac{db_i}{da} \left\{ \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial b_i} \right\rangle - \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial b_i} \right\rangle_{T=0} \right\}$$

$$p = \frac{T}{V} \int_{b_0}^b db \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial Z}{\partial b} = -\frac{T}{V} \int_{b_0}^b \sum_i db_i \left\{ \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial b_i} \right\rangle - \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial b_i} \right\rangle_{T=0} \right\}$$



Beta functions by inverse matrix method



EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with Wilson quarks

$\mu \neq 0$ by the Taylor expansion method:

► Observables

$$\frac{p}{T^4} = \frac{1}{VT^3} \ln \mathcal{Z} \equiv \omega, \quad \frac{n_f}{T^3} = \frac{1}{VT^3} \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{Z}}{\partial (\mu_f/T)} = \frac{\partial (p/T^4)}{\partial (\mu_f/T)}, \quad (f = u, d)$$

$$\frac{\chi_q}{T^2} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial (\mu_u/T)} + \frac{\partial}{\partial (\mu_d/T)} \right) \frac{n_u + n_d}{T^3} \quad \frac{\chi_I}{T^2} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial (\mu_u/T)} - \frac{\partial}{\partial (\mu_d/T)} \right) \frac{n_u - n_d}{T^3}$$

► **Taylor expansion** in $\mu_u = \mu_d (= \mu_q)$ at $\mu_u = \mu_d = 0$

$$\frac{p}{T^4} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(T) \left(\frac{\mu_q}{T} \right)^n, \quad c_n(T) = \frac{1}{n!} \frac{N_t^3}{N_s^3} \frac{\partial^n \ln \mathcal{Z}}{\partial (\mu_q/T)^n} \Big|_{\mu_q=0}$$

$$\frac{\chi_q(T, \mu_q)}{T^2} = 2c_2 + 12c_4 \left(\frac{\mu_q}{T} \right)^2 + \dots \quad c_2 = \frac{N_t}{2N_s^3} \mathcal{A}_2, \quad c_4 = \frac{1}{4! N_s^3 N_t} (\mathcal{A}_4 - 3\mathcal{A}_2^2)$$

$$\mathcal{A}_2 = \langle \mathcal{D}_2 \rangle + \langle \mathcal{D}_1^2 \rangle, \quad \mathcal{A}_4 = \langle \mathcal{D}_4 \rangle + 4 \langle \mathcal{D}_3 \mathcal{D}_1 \rangle + 3 \langle \mathcal{D}_2^2 \rangle + 6 \langle \mathcal{D}_2 \mathcal{D}_1^2 \rangle + \langle \mathcal{D}_1^4 \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{D}_n = N_f \frac{\partial^n \ln \det M}{\partial \mu^n}, \quad \mu \equiv \mu_q a, \quad \mathcal{D}_1 = N_f \text{tr} \left(M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{D}_2 = N_f \left[\text{tr} \left(M^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial \mu^2} \right) - \text{tr} \left(M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} \right) \right]$$

EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with Wilson quarks

- Noise method for traces in the Taylor coefficients

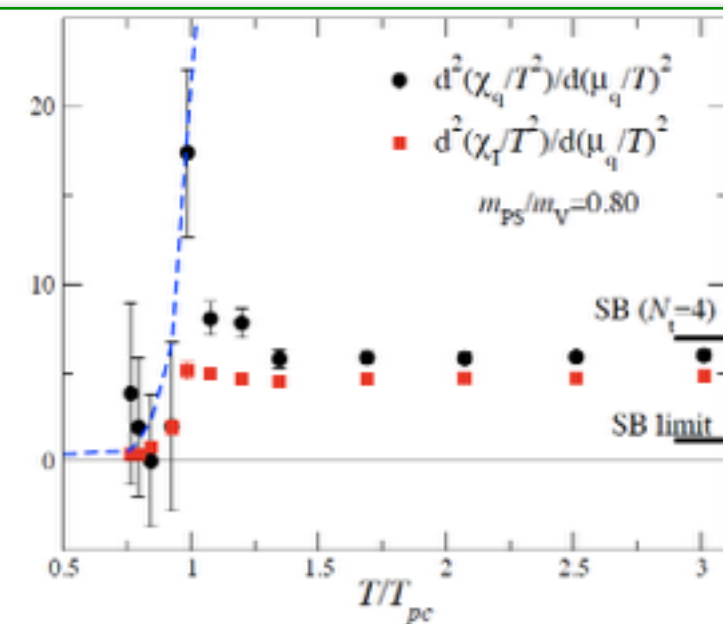
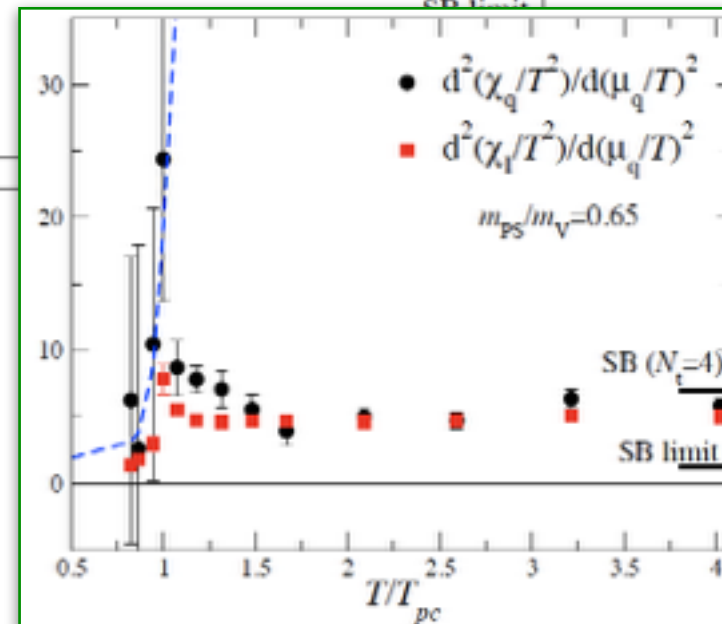
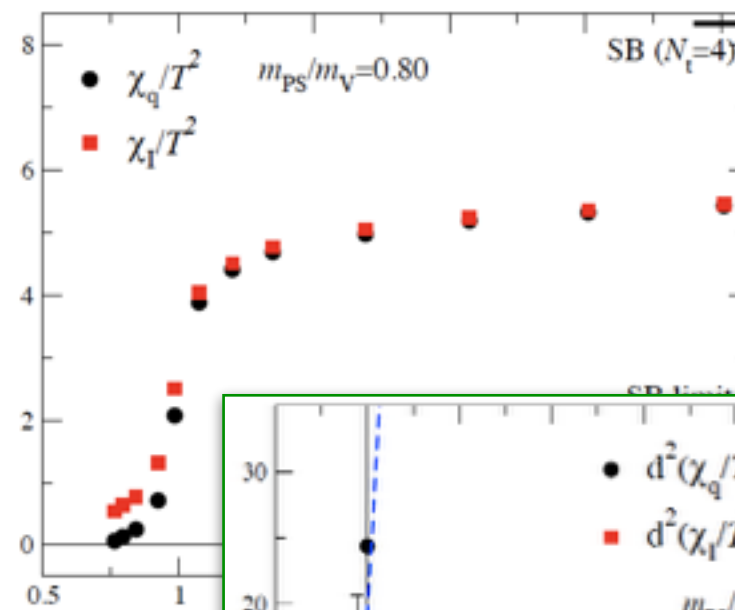
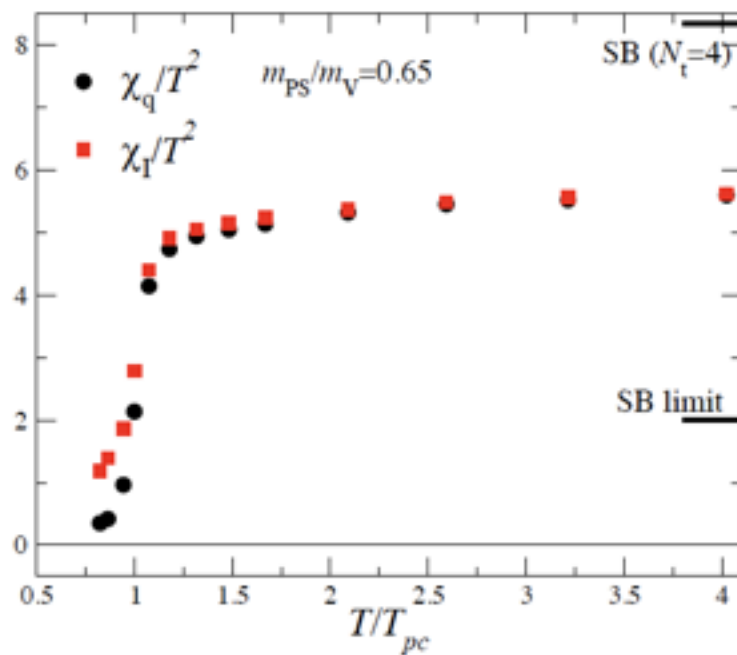
$$\frac{1}{N_{\text{noise}}} \sum_i \eta_{i,\alpha} \eta_{i,\beta}^* \approx \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \quad \text{tr} \left(\frac{\partial^n M}{\partial^n \mu} M^{-1} \right) \approx \frac{1}{N_{\text{noise}}} \sum_i \eta_i^\dagger \frac{\partial^n M}{\partial^n \mu} X_i; \quad X_i = M^{-1} \eta_i$$

For Wilson quarks, we generate independent $\mathbf{\eta}$ for each color and spin.

Error from D_1 turned out to be dominating in the results. \Rightarrow about 100 times larger N_{noise} for D_1 .

- Quark number susceptibilities at $\mu=0$

$$N_F = 2 \text{ QCD}, \quad N_t=4$$



- Lowest order Taylor coeff.

EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with Wilson quarks

► χ_q

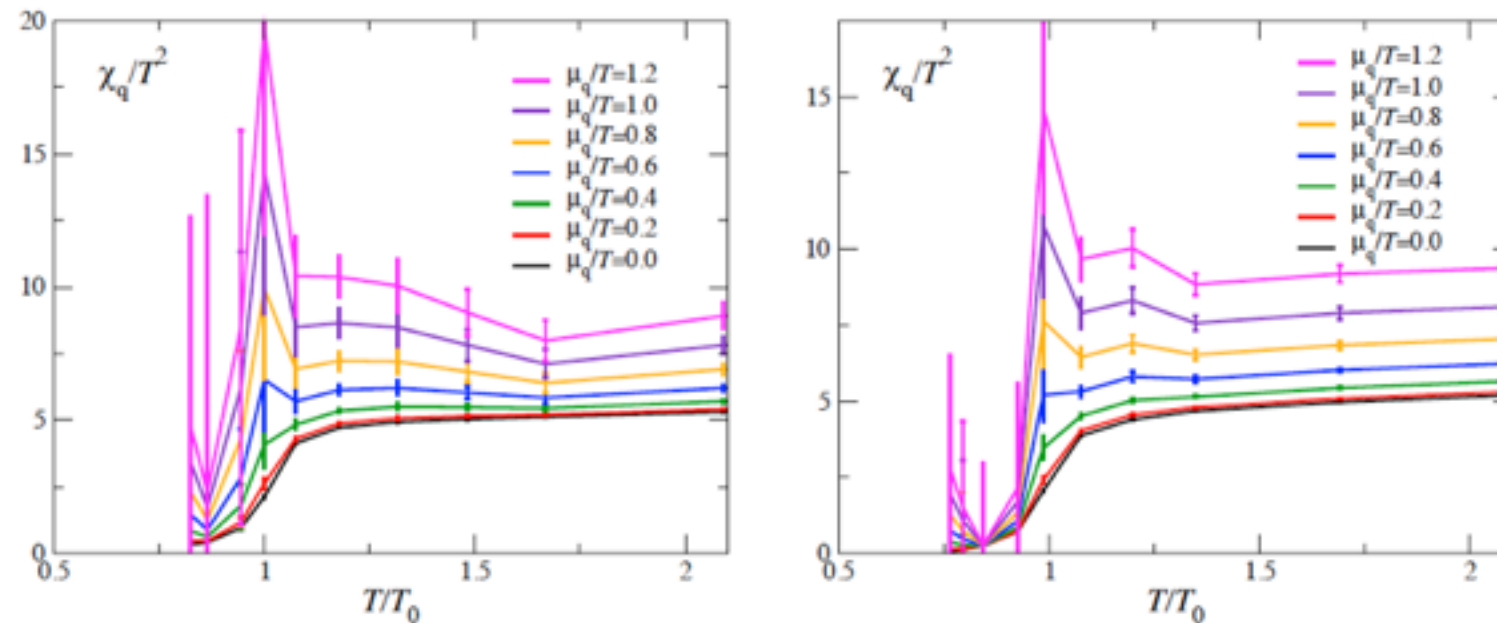


FIG. 14: Quark number susceptibility at finite μ_q for $m_{PS}/m_V = 0.65$ (left) and 0.80 (right).

► χ_I

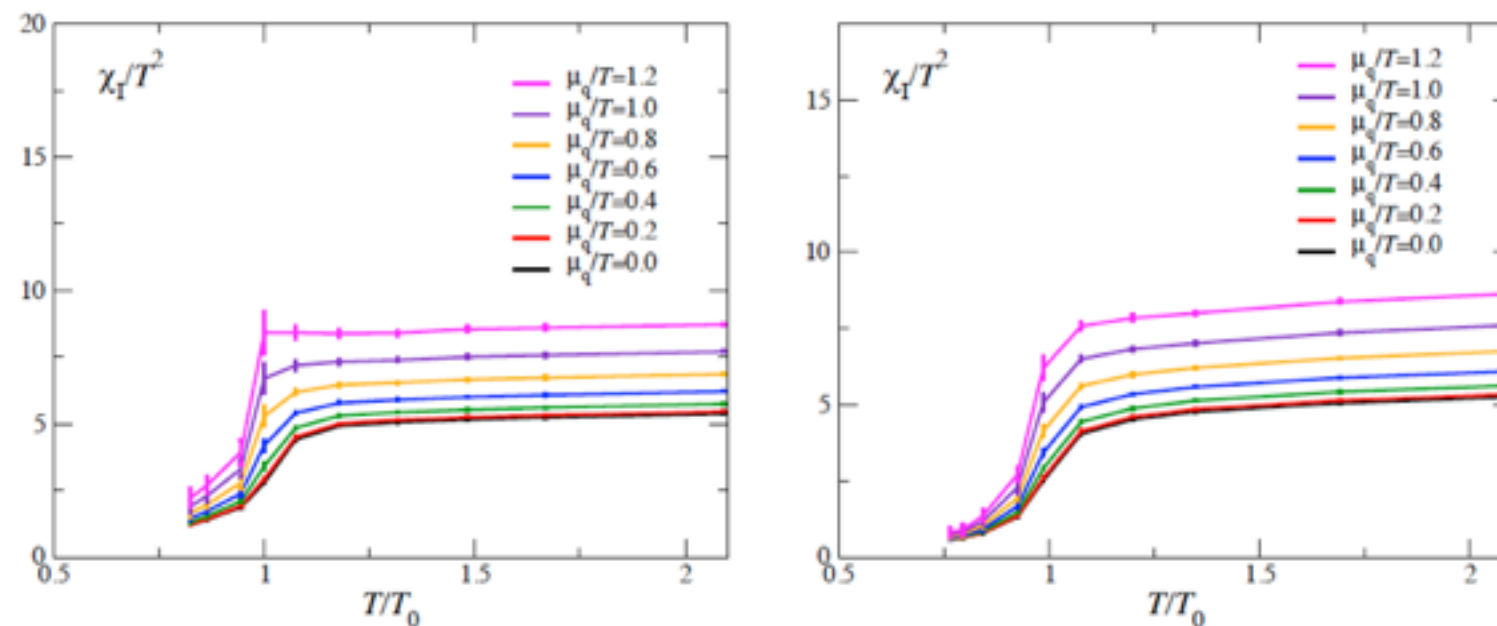


FIG. 15: Isospin susceptibility at finite μ_q for $m_{PS}/m_V = 0.65$ (left) and 0.80 (right).

Suggest critical pt. at finite μ , which is insensitive to the iso-spin number.

EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with Wilson quarks

To further improve the calculation

Allton et al., PRD 66, 074507 ('02)

Ejiri, PRD 77, 014508 ('08)

► A hybrid Taylor+reweighting method

Reweight the grand canonical partition function from $\mu=0$:

$$\mathcal{Z}(T, \mu_q) = \mathcal{Z}(T, 0) \left\langle \left(\frac{\det M(\mu)}{\det M(0)} \right)^{N_f} \right\rangle_{(\mu_q=0)} \equiv \mathcal{Z}(T, 0) \left\langle e^{F(\mu)} e^{i\theta(\mu)} \right\rangle_{(\mu_q=0)}$$

and Taylor-expand the terms in exp:

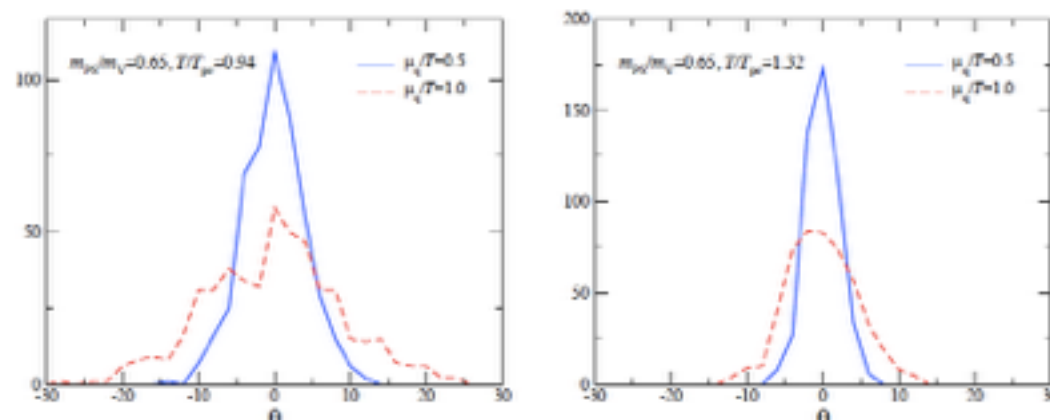
$$\begin{aligned} F(\mu) &\equiv N_f \text{Re} \left[\ln \left(\frac{\det M(\mu)}{\det M(0)} \right) \right] \\ &= N_f \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} \text{Re} \left[\frac{\partial^{2n} (\ln \det M)}{\partial \mu^{2n}} \right]_{(\mu=0)} \mu^{2n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} \text{Re} \mathcal{D}_{2n} \mu^{2n}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(\mu) &= N_f \text{Im} [\ln \det M(\mu)] \\ &= N_f \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} \text{Im} \left[\frac{\partial^{2n+1} (\ln \det M(\mu))}{\partial \mu^{2n+1}} \right]_{(\mu=0)} \mu^{2n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} \text{Im} \mathcal{D}_{2n+1} \mu^{2n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Truncate the expansions up to D_4

- * Identical to the truncated Taylor expansion up to the 4th order, but contain a part of higher orders through the exponential function.
- * Exact for free QGP, in which $D_n=0$ for $n>4$, \Rightarrow The truncation will be OK at high T .

► Gaussian approximation for θ distribution at small μ

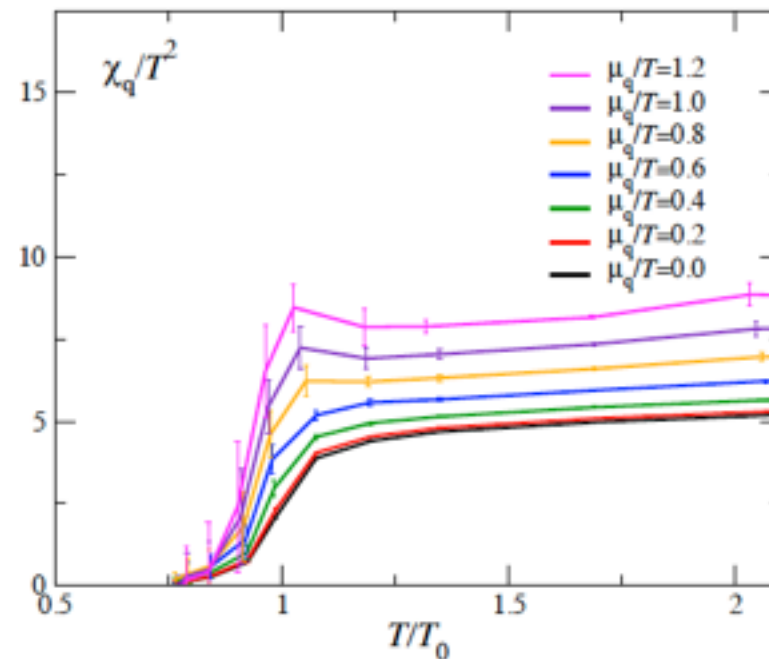
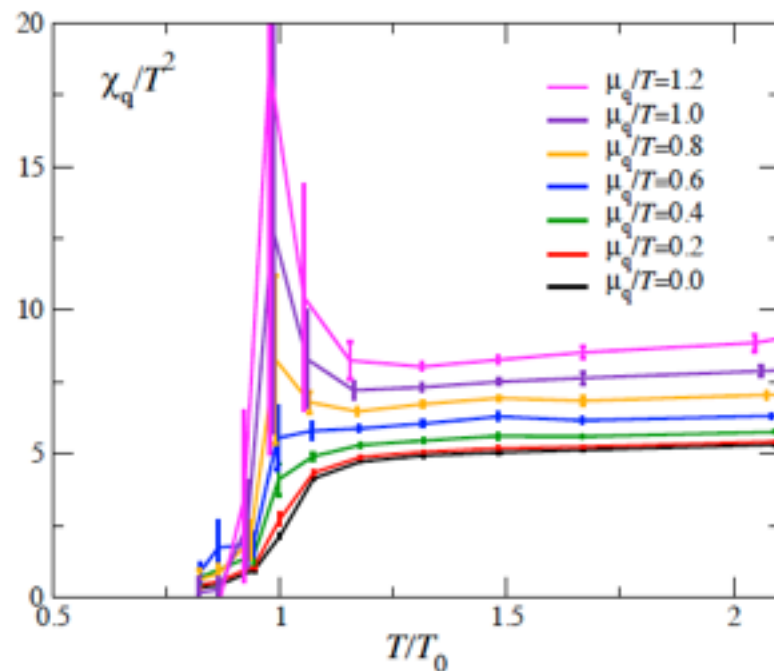


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Sign problem avoided at small μ
 \Rightarrow See discussions later.

EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with Wilson quarks

► χ_q

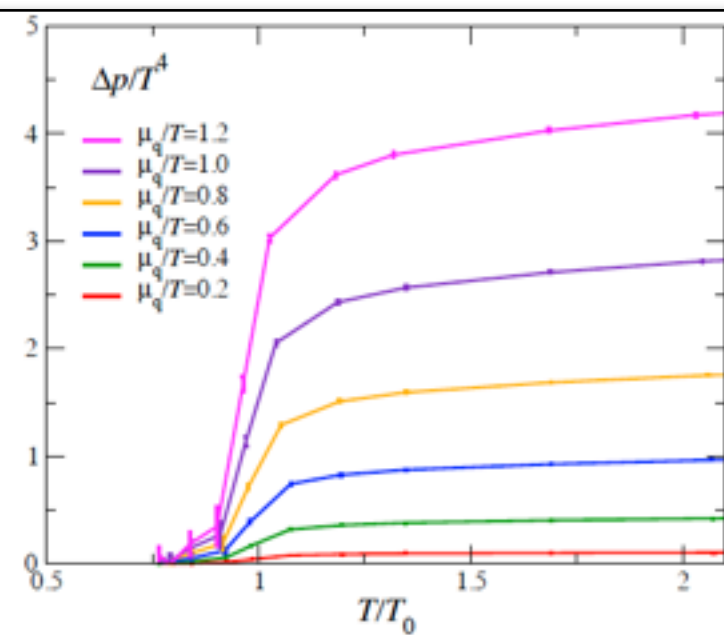
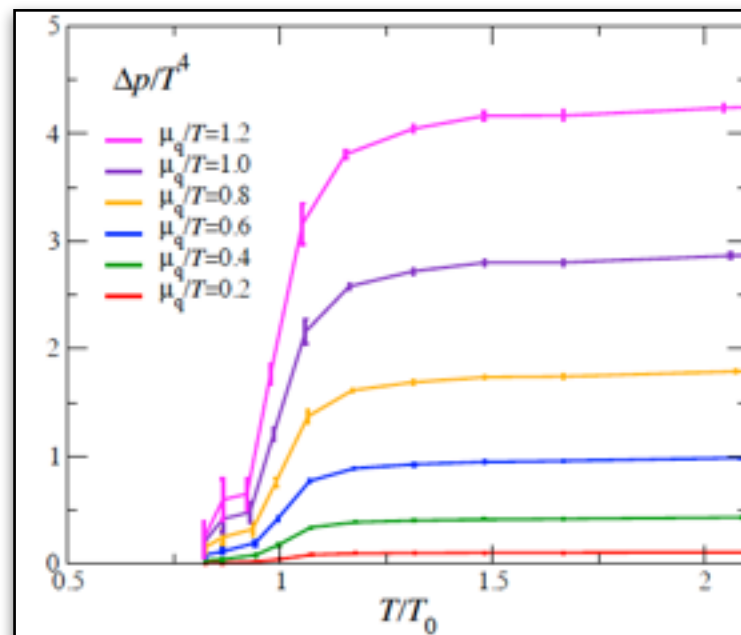


The signal became less noisy.

Suggesting more clearly
critical point at finite μ .

FIG. 24: Quark number susceptibility for each μ_q/T at $m_{PS}/m_V = 0.65$ (left) and 0.80 (right).

► $p(\mu) - p(0)$



The first EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with Wilson-type quarks.

EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with Wilson quarks

- heavy quark free energies at $\mu \neq 0$

$$V^R(r, T, \mu_q) = v_0^R + v_1^R \left(\frac{\mu_q}{T} \right) + v_2^R \left(\frac{\mu_q}{T} \right)^2 + O(\mu^3)$$

$$R = \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{8}, \mathbf{6}, \mathbf{3}^*$$

$$\Omega^{\mathbf{1}}(r) = \frac{1}{3} \text{tr} \Omega^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) \Omega(\mathbf{y}),$$

$$\Omega^{\mathbf{8}}(r) = \frac{1}{8} \text{tr} \Omega^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) \text{tr} \Omega(\mathbf{y}) - \frac{1}{24} \text{tr} \Omega^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) \Omega(\mathbf{y}),$$

$$\Omega^{\mathbf{6}}(r) = \frac{1}{12} \text{tr} \Omega(\mathbf{x}) \text{tr} \Omega(\mathbf{y}) + \frac{1}{12} \text{tr} \Omega(\mathbf{x}) \Omega(\mathbf{y}),$$

$$\Omega^{\mathbf{3}^*}(r) = \frac{1}{6} \text{tr} \Omega(\mathbf{x}) \text{tr} \Omega(\mathbf{y}) - \frac{1}{6} \text{tr} \Omega(\mathbf{x}) \Omega(\mathbf{y}),$$

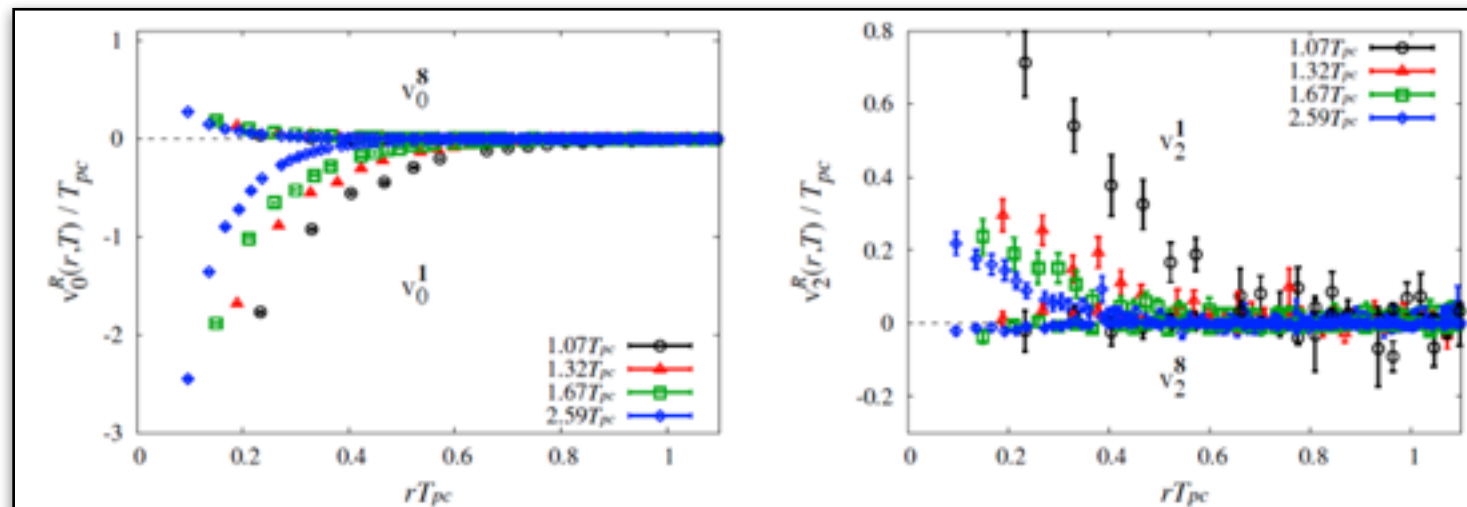


FIG. 25: v_0^R (left) and v_2^R (right) for color-singlet and octet $Q\bar{Q}$ channels above T_{pc} at $m_{PS}/m_V = 0.65$.

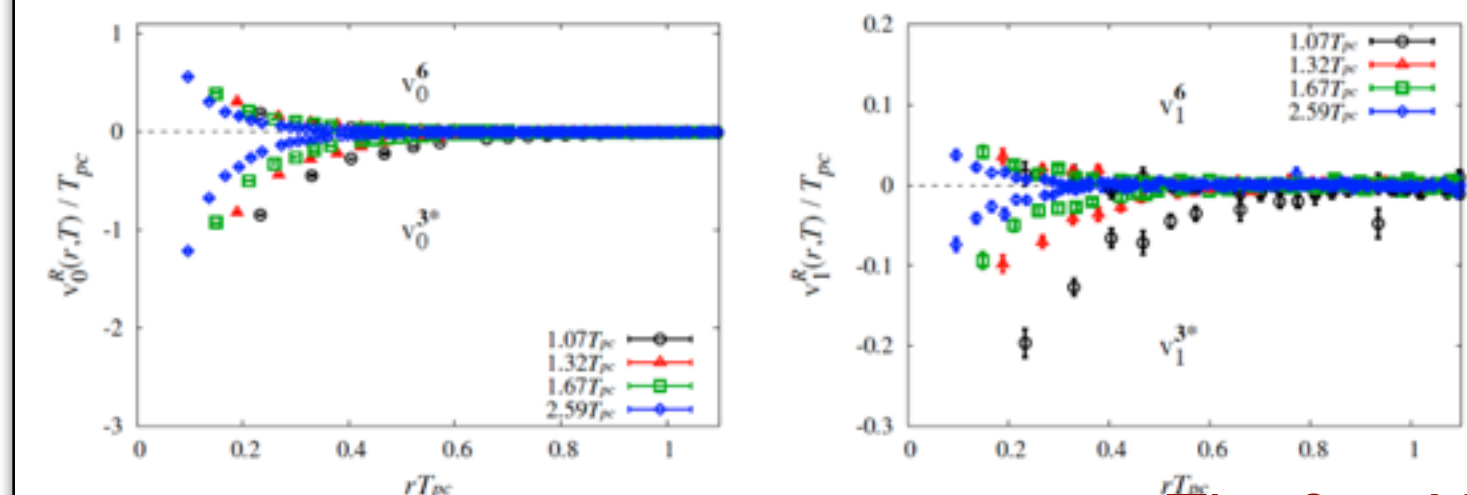


FIG. 26: v_0^R (left) and v_1^R (right) for color-sextet and antitriplet $Q\bar{Q}$ channels above T_{pc} at $m_{PS}/m_V = 0.65$.

$Q\bar{Q}$ interaction:
weaker at $\mu \neq 0$

QQ interaction:
stronger at $\mu \neq 0$

(leading order in μ)

The first HQFE at $\mu \neq 0$ with Wilson-type quarks.

EOS with fixed-scale approach

We want to extend the studies to $N_F=2+1$, larger N_t , and smaller m_q
 More improvements / developments of the method needed.

We note: a large fraction of the cost due to $T = 0$ simulations



- Determination of LCP, scale, beta functions, etc.
- $T = 0$ subtractions for renormalization (needed at all the simulation points!)

Fixed scale approach with a **T-integration method**.

Vary $T = \frac{1}{N_t a}$ by varying N_t with all coupling params. fixed.

$$\frac{p}{T^4} = \int_{T_0}^T dT \frac{\epsilon - 3p}{T^5}$$

Conventional integration method not applicable (integration in the coupl. param. space).



$$T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left(\frac{p}{T^4} \right) = \frac{\epsilon - 3p}{T^4}$$

Pros and cons: $T=0$ simulation costs largely removable

- A common $T=0$ simulation enough for all $T=0$ subtractions. We can even borrow publicly available configurations on ILDG.
- Automatically on a LCP w/o fine tuning.

Limited resolution in $T \Rightarrow$ need to check if it works on isotropic lattices.

Other properties are complementary to the fixed- N_t approach.

Roughly speaking

fixed N_t

fixed scale

$T \approx T_c$



$T > (2-3) * T_c$



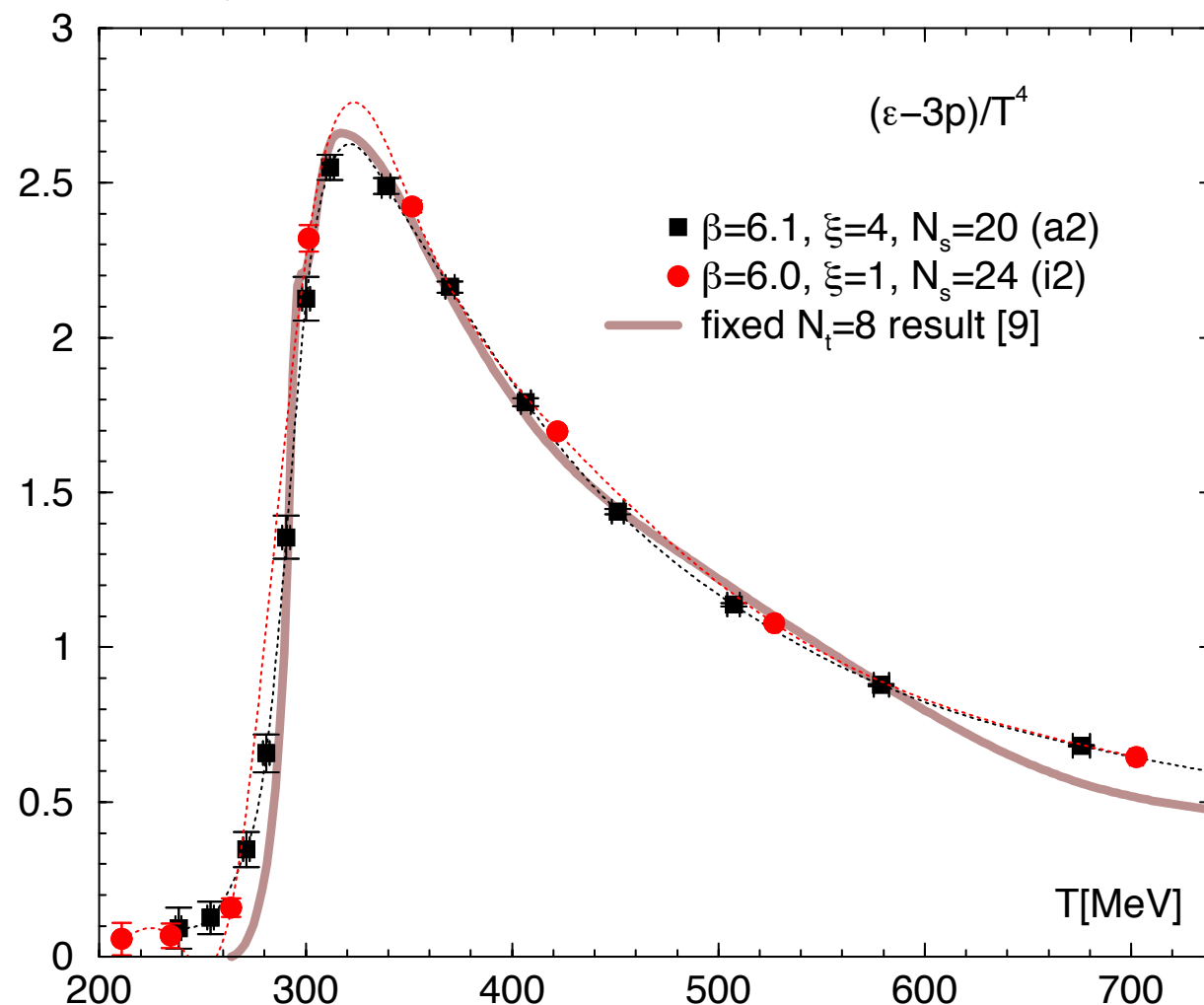
- Keep the lattice spacing small
- More costs due to larger N_t .

- N_t too small
- Keep the lattice volume large.

EOS with fixed-scale approach

A test in quenched QCD \Rightarrow looks fine.

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Results compared among

★ **fixed-scale on isotropic lattice**

($a_s \sim 0.095\text{fm}$, $N_t=3-10 \Rightarrow T=200-700\text{MeV}$,
 $L_s \sim 1.5\text{fm}$)

★ **fixed-scale on anisotropic lattice**

($\xi=4$, i.e. 4-times smaller $a_t \Rightarrow$ 4-times
finer T -resolution)

★ **fixed- N_t approach**

($N_t=8$ by Boyd et al. NPB469(96): $N_s=32$
 $\Rightarrow L_s \sim 2.7\text{fm}$ around T_c)

Note: effects due to small L_s are physical finite volume effects,
i.e not due to the algorithm.

Besides understandable deviations, results consistent with each other

➡ T-interpolation under control on the isotropic lattice

➡ computation costs much reduced

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Study in $N_f=2+1$ QCD

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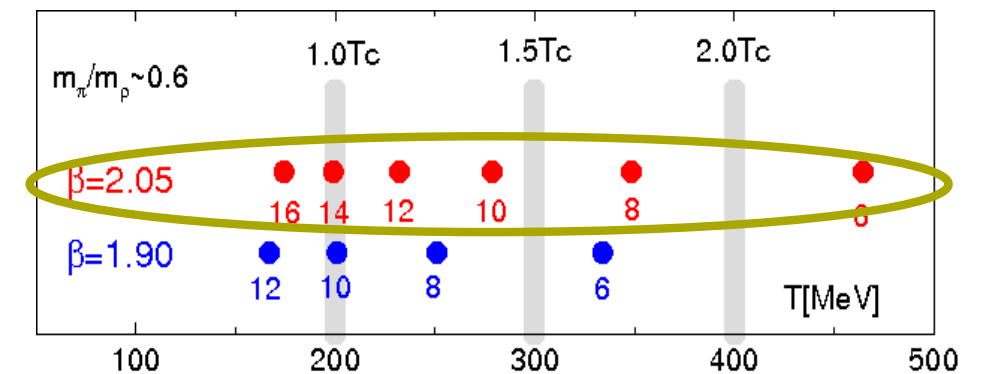
■ **T=0 simulation:** on $28^3 \times 56$ by CP-PACS/JLQCD *Phys. Rev. D78 (2008) 011502*

- RG-improved Iwasaki glue + NP-improved Wilson quarks
- $\beta=2.05$, $\kappa_{ud}=0.1356$, $\kappa_s=0.1351$
- $V \sim (2 \text{ fm})^3$, $a \sim 0.07 \text{ fm}$,
- configurations available on the ILDG/JLDG

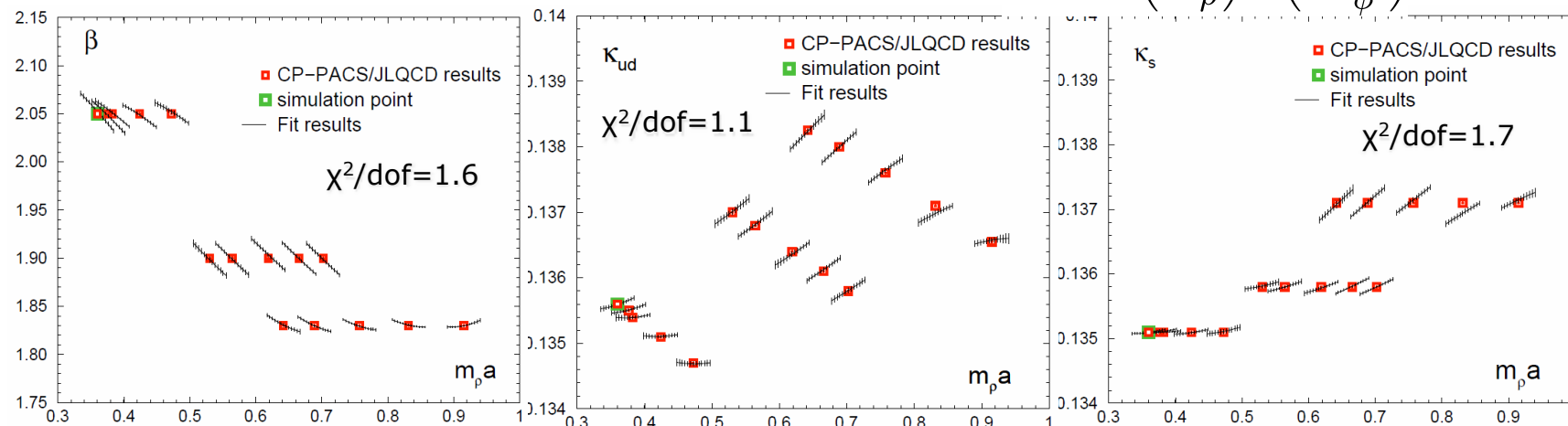
■ **T>0 simulations:** on $32^3 \times N_t$ ($N_t=4, 6, \dots, 14, 16$) lattices

RHMC algorithm, same parameters as T=0 simulation

At the lightest point on the finest lattice among 30 simulation points of CP-PACS/JLQCD.



Beta functions by fitting $\beta, \kappa_{ud}, \kappa_s$ as functions of $(am_\rho), \left(\frac{m_\pi}{m_\rho}\right), \left(\frac{m_{\eta_{ss}}}{m_\phi}\right)$ [direct fit method]

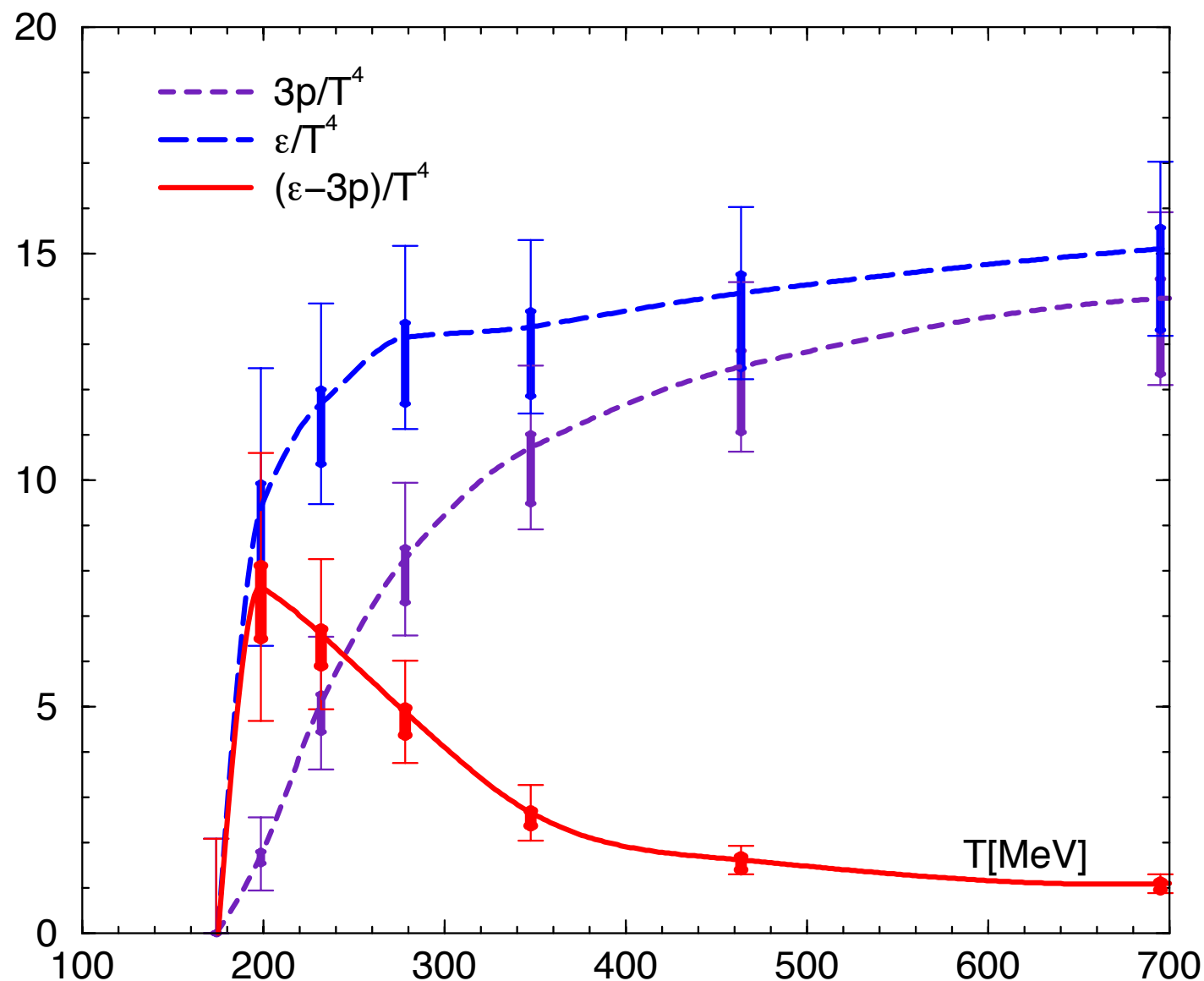


$$\left(a \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial a}, a \frac{\partial \kappa_{ud}}{\partial a}, a \frac{\partial \kappa_s}{\partial a} \right)_{\text{simulation point}} = \left(-0.279(24) \left({}^{+40}_{-64} \right), 0.00123(41) \left({}^{+56}_{-68} \right), 0.00046(26) \left({}^{+42}_{-44} \right) \right)$$

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roughly consistent with EOS from highly improved stag. quarks

FIG. 8 (color online). Trace anomaly $(\epsilon - 3p)/T^4$, energy density ϵ/T^4 , and pressure $3p/T^4$ in 2 + 1 flavor QCD. The thin and thick vertical bars represent statistic and systematic errors, respectively. The curves are drawn by the Akima spline interpolation.

The first $N_f=2+1$ EOS with Wilson-type quarks.

Search for the critical point with histogram method

To extend the study to $\mu \neq 0$, we first have to clarify the phase structure. To efficiently detect the phase, we developed a method based on the histogram.

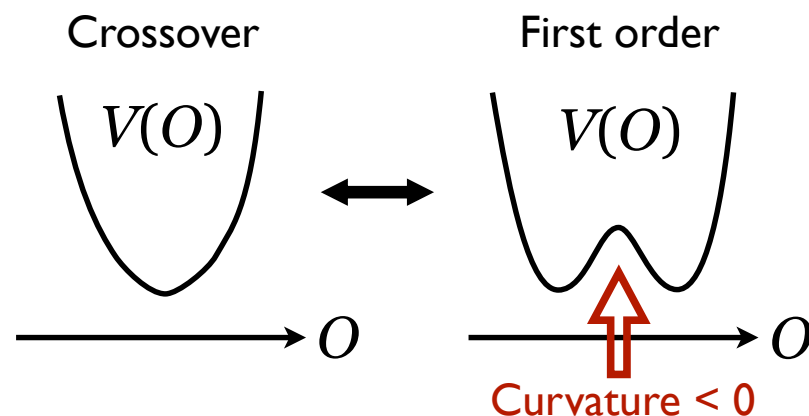
Histogram and effective potential of observables

$$w(\mathcal{O}_1, \mathcal{O}_2, \dots; \beta, m, \mu) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \int DU \prod_i \delta(\hat{\mathcal{O}}_i[U] - \mathcal{O}_i) [\det M(m, \mu)]^{N_F} e^{-S_g(\beta)}$$

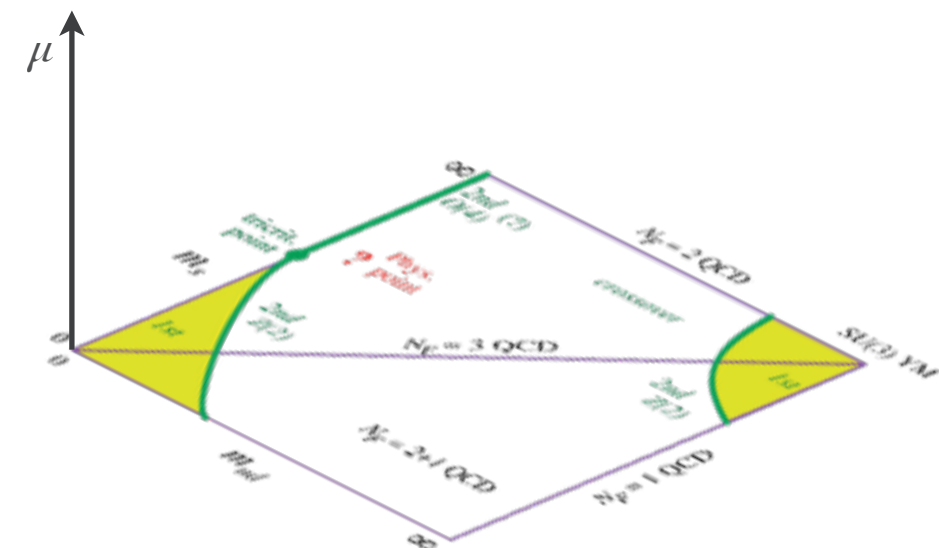
$$Z_{(\beta, m, \mu)} = \int w(\mathcal{O}_1, \dots; \beta, m, \mu) \prod_i d\mathcal{O}_i \quad \langle f(\hat{\mathcal{O}}_1, \dots) \rangle_{(\beta, m, \mu)} = \frac{1}{Z_{(\beta, m, \mu)}} \int f(\mathcal{O}_1, \dots) w(\mathcal{O}_1, \dots; \beta, m, \mu) \prod_i d\mathcal{O}_i$$

$$V_{\text{eff}}(\hat{\mathcal{O}}_1, \dots; \beta, m, \mu) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} -\ln w(\mathcal{O}_1, \dots; \beta, m, \mu)$$

Choosing
we can detect the phase transition through



Critical boundary of 1st order region



Search for the critical point with histogram method

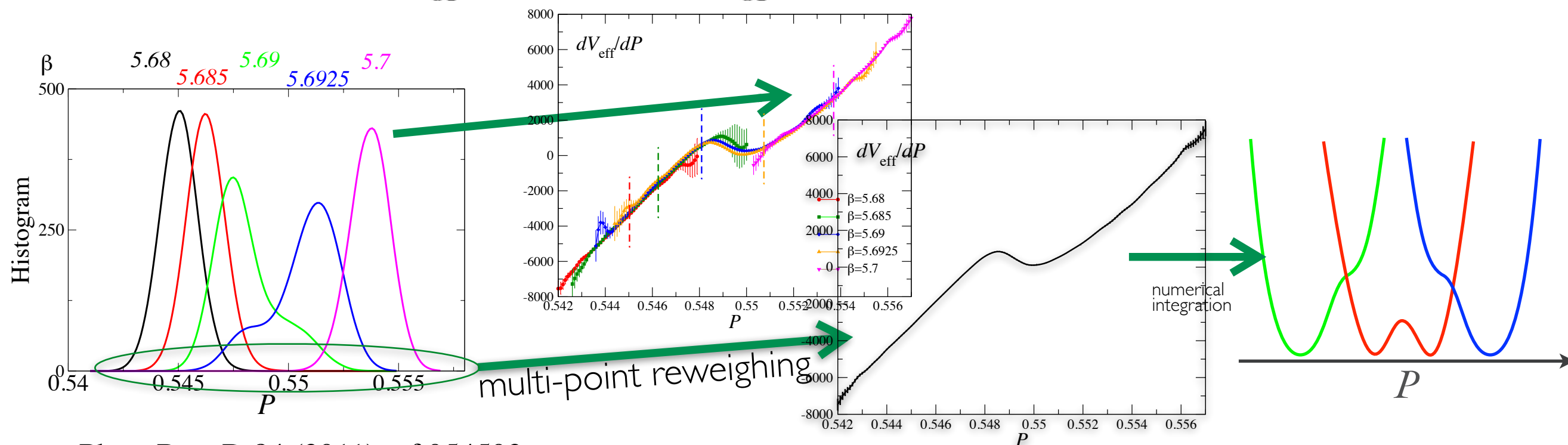
We need reliable V_{eff} in a wide range of \mathcal{O} around the transition pt.

\Leftarrow reweighing technique & appropriate choice of \mathcal{O}

Pure gauge theory

$$w(P, \dots; \beta, m, \mu) = \int DU \delta(\hat{P}[U] - P) \dots [\det M(m, \mu)]^{N_F} e^{6\beta N_{\text{site}} P}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} V_{\text{eff}}(P, \dots; \beta', m, \mu) = V_{\text{eff}}(P, \dots; \beta, m, \mu) - 6(\beta' - \beta) N_{\text{site}} P \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial P} V_{\text{eff}}(P, \dots; \beta', m, \mu) = \frac{\partial}{\partial P} V_{\text{eff}}(P, \dots; \beta, m, \mu) - \underbrace{6(\beta' - \beta) N_{\text{site}}}_{\text{constant, known shift}} \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial P^2} V_{\text{eff}}(P, \dots; \beta', m, \mu) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial P^2} V_{\text{eff}}(P, \dots; \beta, m, \mu) \end{array} \right.$$

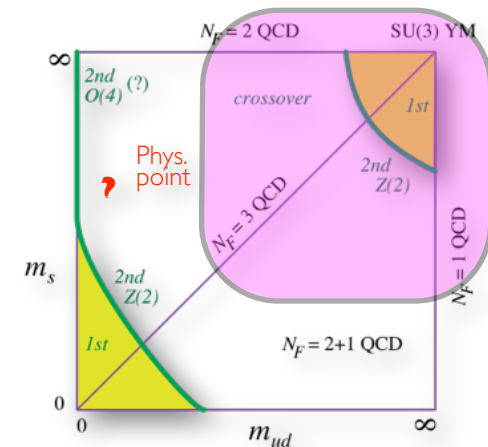


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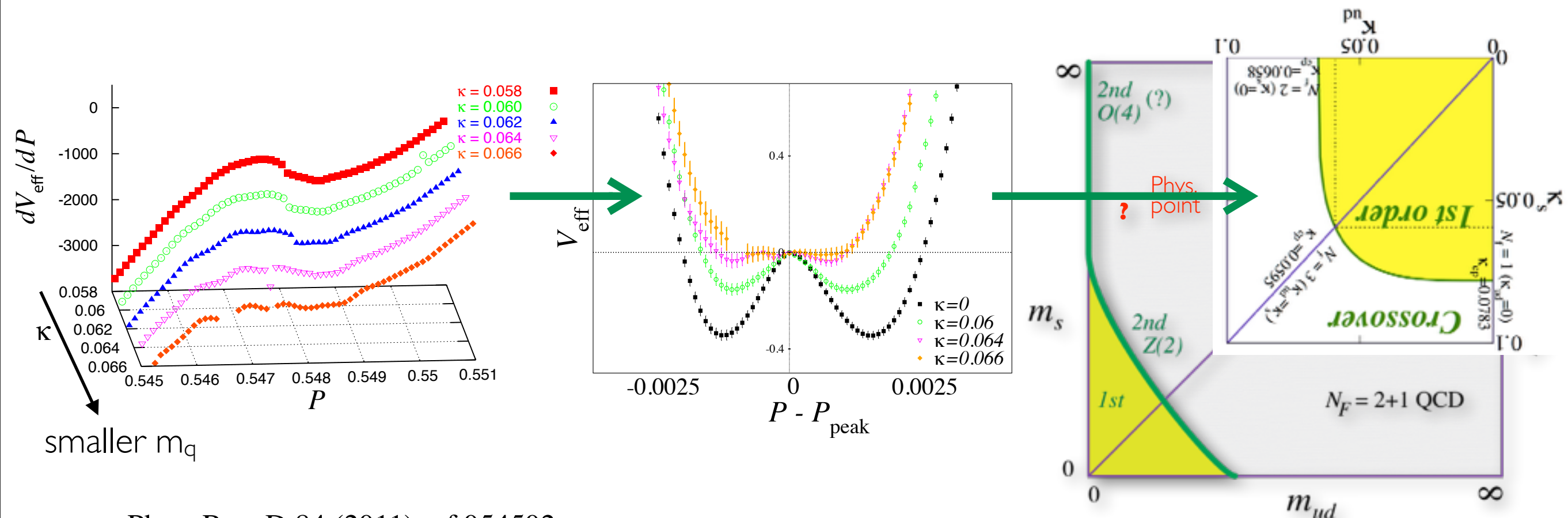
Heavy quark QCD at $\mu=0$:

Heavy quark limit = SU(3) YM theory with 1st order deconf. trans.

Reweight from the heavy quark limit, using the hopping param. expansion.



$$\left[\frac{\det M(\kappa, \mu)}{\det M(0, 0)} \right]^{N_F} = \exp \left[N_F \left\{ 288 N_{\text{site}} \kappa^4 \hat{P} + 12 \cdot 2^{N_t} N_s^3 \kappa^{N_t} \left(\cosh(\mu/T) \hat{\Omega}_R + i \sinh(\mu/T) \hat{\Omega}_I \right) + \dots \right\} \right]$$



Search for the critical point with histogram method

Heavy quark QCD at $\mu \neq 0$:

Reweight to $\mu \neq 0$

$$V_{\text{eff}}(\mathcal{O}; \beta, \kappa, \mu) = V_{\text{eff}}(\mathcal{O}; \beta, 0, 0) - \ln \left\langle \left[\frac{\det M(\kappa, \mu)}{\det M(0, 0)} \right]^{N_F} \right\rangle_{\mathcal{O}; \beta, 0, 0}$$

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Choose

$$V_{\text{eff}}(\Omega_R; \beta, \kappa, \mu) = \boxed{V_{\text{eff}}(\Omega_R; \beta^*, 0, 0) - 12 \cdot 2^{N_t} N_F N_s^3 \kappa^{N_t} \cosh(\mu/T) \Omega_R} - \ln \langle e^{i\hat{\theta}} \rangle_{\Omega_R; \beta, 0, 0}$$

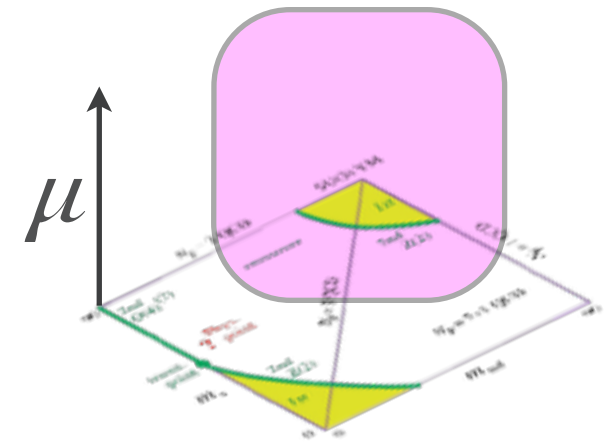
Phase-quenched QCD

$$\hat{\theta} = 12 \cdot 2^{N_t} N_F N_s^3 \kappa^{N_t} \sinh(\mu/T) \hat{\Omega}_I$$

Phase-quenched QCD is simple:

Critical line in the phase-quenched QCD is just given by

$$\kappa_{\text{cp}}^{\text{p.q.}}(\mu) = \kappa_{\text{cp}}(\mu=0) \cdot [\cosh(\mu/T)]^{-1/N_t}$$



Search for the critical point with histogram method

$$V_{\text{eff}}(\Omega_R; \beta, \kappa, \mu) = V_{\text{eff}}(\Omega_R; \beta^*, 0, 0) - 12 \cdot 2^{N_t} N_F N_s^3 \kappa^{N_t} \cosh(\mu/T) \Omega_R - \ln \langle e^{i\hat{\theta}} \rangle_{\Omega_R; \beta, 0, 0}$$

To study the effects of the phase term,

Cumulant expansion

S. Ejiri, PRD 77, 014508 ('08); WHOT, PRD 82, 014508 ('10)

$$\langle e^{i\hat{\theta}} \rangle = \exp \left[\cancel{i\langle \hat{\theta} \rangle_c} - \frac{1}{2!} \langle \hat{\theta}^2 \rangle_c - \cancel{\frac{i}{3!} \langle \hat{\theta}^3 \rangle_c} + \frac{1}{4!} \langle \hat{\theta}^4 \rangle_c + \dots \right]$$

$$\langle \hat{\theta} \rangle_c = \langle \hat{\theta} \rangle, \quad \langle \hat{\theta}^2 \rangle_c = \langle \hat{\theta}^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{\theta} \rangle^2, \quad \langle \hat{\theta}^3 \rangle_c = \langle \hat{\theta}^3 \rangle - 3\langle \hat{\theta}^2 \rangle \langle \hat{\theta} \rangle + 2\langle \hat{\theta} \rangle^3, \quad \dots$$

☞ Odd terms vanish due to the symmetry under μ

$\Rightarrow \langle e^{i\hat{\theta}} \rangle$ positive definite. \Rightarrow **Sign problem resolved if the expansion converges.**

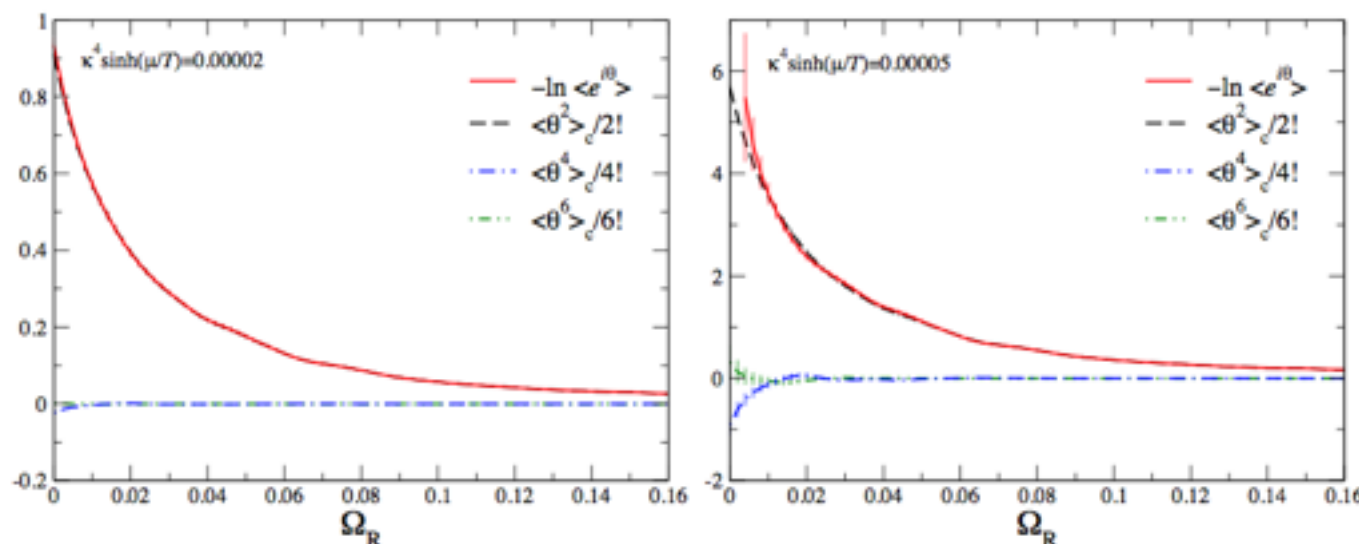


FIG. 9: Exponent of the average phase factor, $-\ln \langle e^{i\hat{\theta}} \rangle$, compared with the contributions from the 2nd, 4th and 6th order cumulants. The expectation values are calculated at $\beta^* = 5.69$ and $\kappa^4 \sinh(\mu/T) \approx 0.00002$ (left) or 0.00005 (right) in $N_f = 2$ QCD with fixed Ω_R . In both cases, $-\ln \langle e^{i\hat{\theta}} \rangle$ is almost indistinguishable with $\langle \hat{\theta}^2 \rangle_c / 2!$.

We find,
around the critical line,
Gaussian term dominates in $\langle e^{i\hat{\theta}} \rangle$
i.e. most convergent!

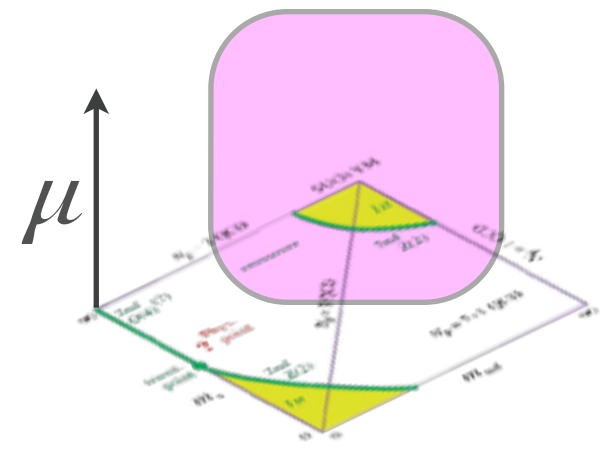
Search for the critical point with histogram method

Heavy quark QCD at $\mu \neq 0$:

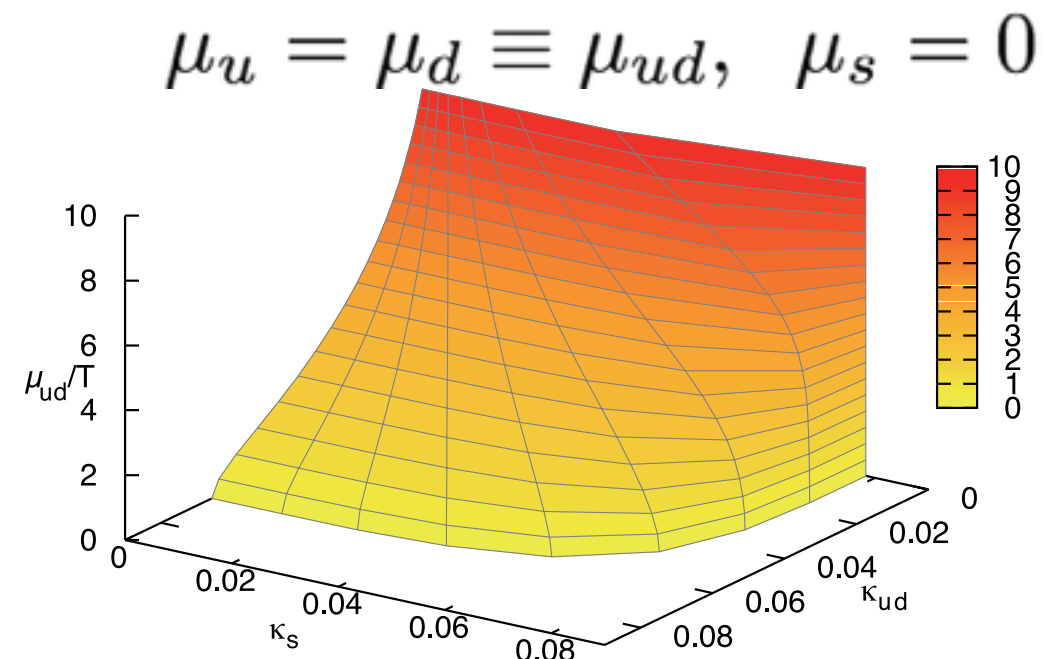
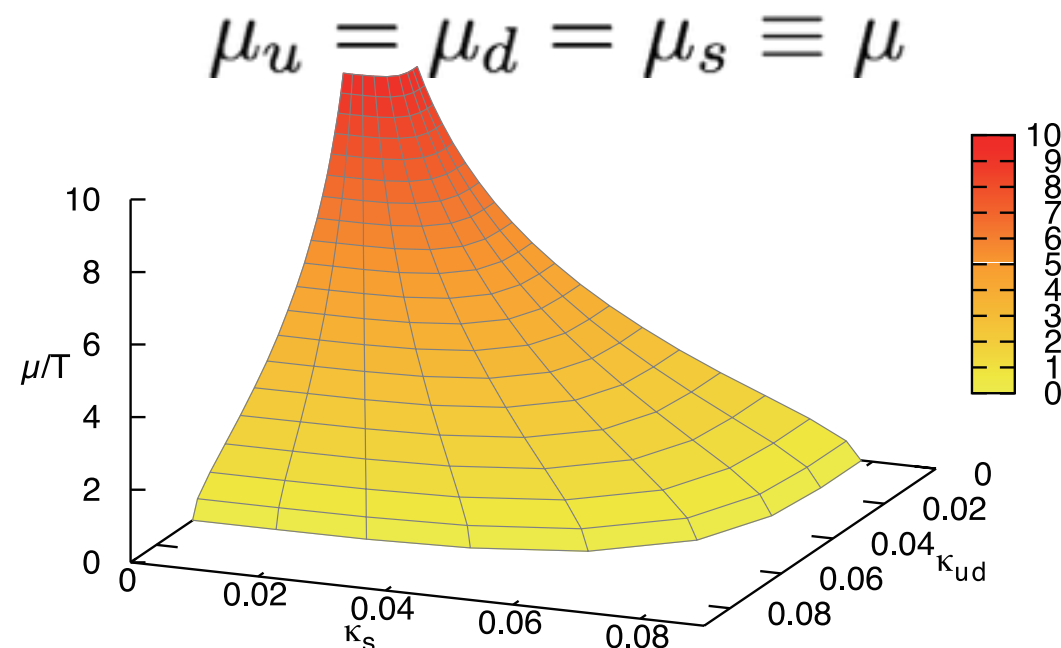
We can now reliably evaluate $\langle e^{i\hat{\theta}} \rangle$ by the cumulant expansion around the crit. line.

=> The effects turned out to be quite small on the crit. line at all μ .

=> **The critical line well estimated by the phase-quenched approx.**



❧ Critical surface in heavy quark QCD



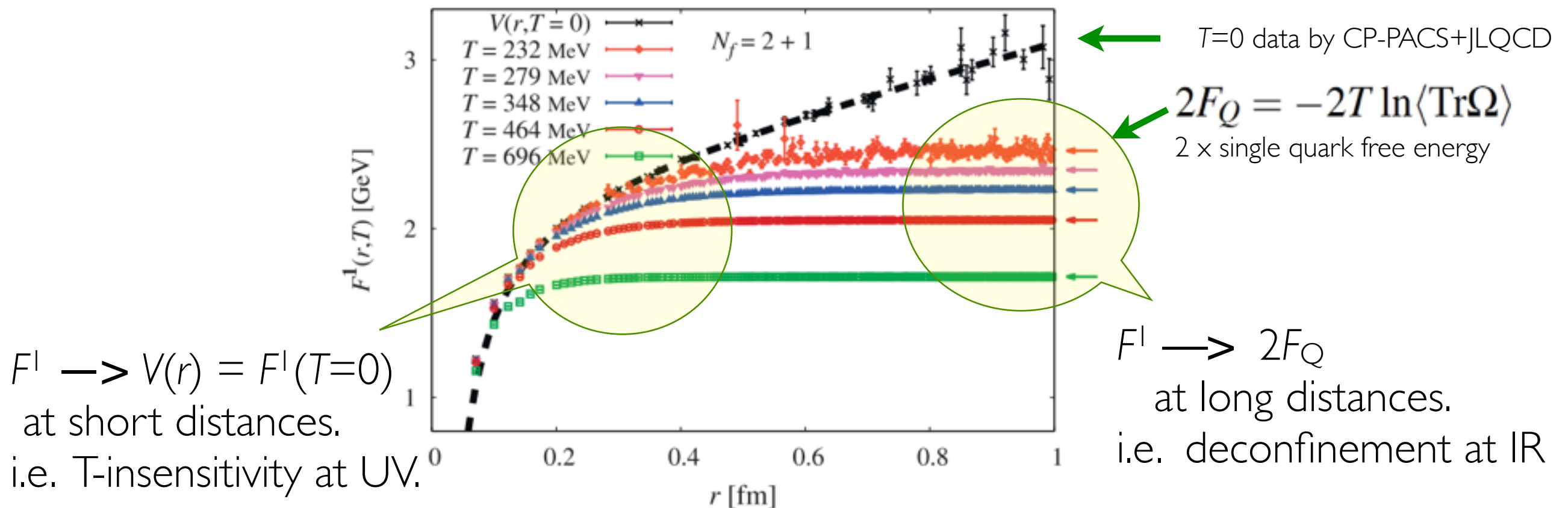
Q-Q⁽⁻⁾ interaction and screening masses at finite T and μ

Phys. Rev. D 81 (2010) ref.091501(R), “Electric and Magnetic Screening Masses at Finite Temperature from Generalized Polyakov-Line Correlations in Two-flavor Lattice QCD”, Y. Maezawa, S. Aoki, S. Ejiri, T. Hatsuda, N. Ishii, K. Kanaya, N. Ukita and T. Umeda

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Prog. Theor. Phys. 128 (2012), “Application of fixed scale approach to static quark free energies in quenched and 2 + 1 flavor lattice QCD with improved Wilson quark action”, Y. Maezawa, T. Umeda, S. Aoki, S. Ejiri, T. Hatsuda, K. Kanaya and H. Ohno

► Heavy quark free energy at $T > T_c$ $F^1(r, T) = -T \ln \langle \text{Tr} \Omega^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) \Omega(\mathbf{y}) \rangle$ in the Coulomb gauge



■ **No vertical adjustment needed in the fixed scale approach.**

(cf.) In the fixed- N_t approach, $F^1 \rightarrow V(r)$ is used as an input to adjust the constant term of F^1 .

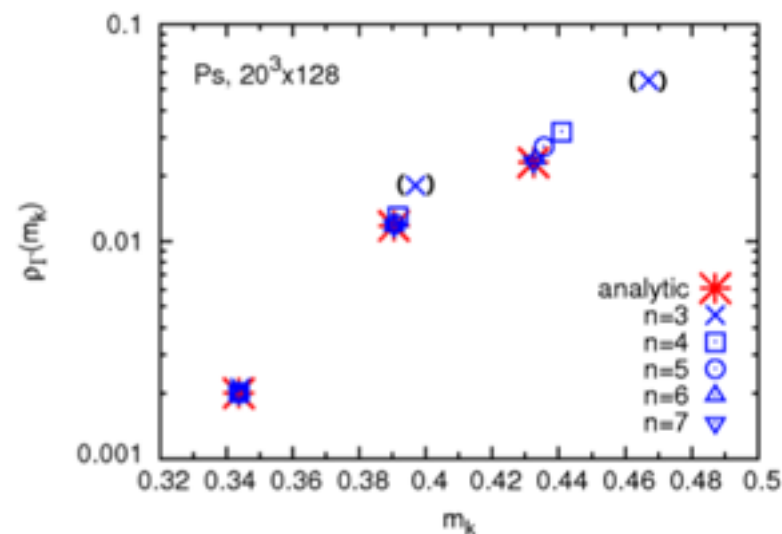
Charmonium dissociation with variational method

Phys. Rev. D 84 (2011) ref.094504, “Charmonium spectral functions with the variational method in zero and finite temperature lattice QCD”, H. Ohno, S. Aoki, S. Ejiri, K. Kanaya, Y. Maezawa, H. Saito and T. Umeda

Computation of the spectral function (SpF) on the lattice is an ill-posed problem. Conventional estimation using MEM is always heuristic.

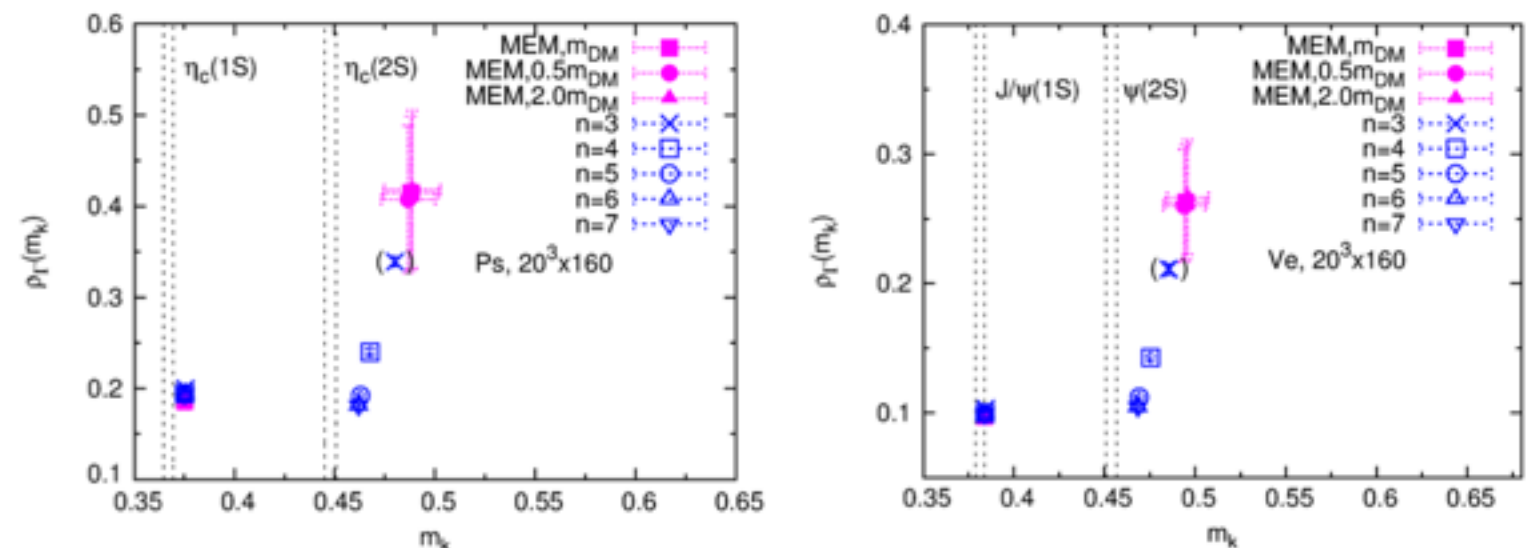
We define an effective SpF in terms of the correlation matrix between a series of smeared operators. This eff. SpF tends to the correct SpF on the lattice at large distances, and the systematic error due to finite distance can be reduced by increasing the number of operators and by a judicious choice of the set of operators.

A test with free quarks



Analytic results for low-lying poles and their width well reproduced by increasing # of sources.

With dynamical quarks



Ground state consistent with experiment as well as the MEM result. 1st excited state deviates from the MEM estimation and gets closer to the experiment with increasing # of sources.

Our main results since 2008

- EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with dynamical Wilson quarks
Cumulant expansion useful at small μ .
The first EOS at $\mu \neq 0$ with Wilson-type quarks.
- EOS with fixed-scale approach
Fixed-scale approach with T-integration method works.
The first $N_f=2+1$ EOS with Wilson-type quarks.
- Search for the critical point with histogram method
Histogram + reweighting powerful for the phase structure.
Test in heavy quark QCD.
- $Q-\bar{Q}$ interaction and screening masses at finite T and μ
 $Q-\bar{Q}$ int. weaker at $\mu \neq 0$, $Q-Q$ int. stronger at $\mu \neq 0$.
Fixed-scale approach allows us a direct test of T-dependence.
- Charmonium dissociation with variational method
A solid method to compute spectral function on the lattice.
Works well for low-lying states (pole position and width).

Plans for the next stage

Nf=2+1 EOS at the physical point

Extend the EOS study at $\mu=0$ towards the physical point on a fine lattice.

- * Fixed-scale approach making use of $T=0$ PACS-CS or HAL configurations.
- * Need beta functions \leq reweighting technique?

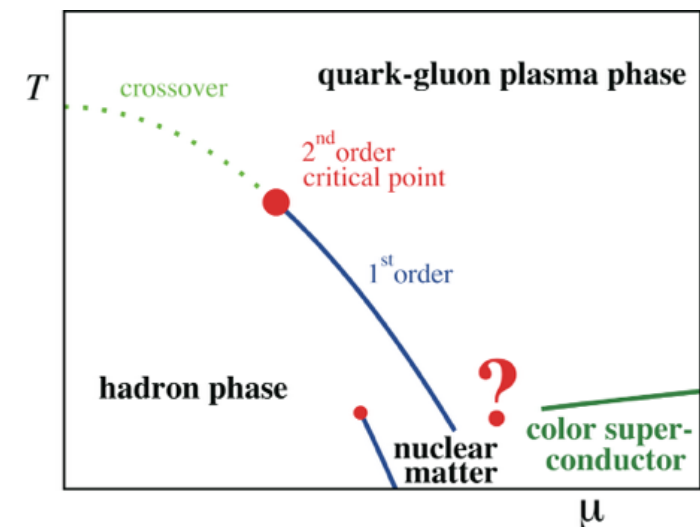
Critical point at $\mu \neq 0$

Extend the phase structure study to light quark QCD.

- * Histogram method with dynamical quarks.
- * Can detect the critical point?
 \Rightarrow See below.

Scaling properties at $\mu=0$ and $\neq 0$

- * Tricritical point, curvature of the pseudo critical line, ...
- * $O(4)$? or something else?

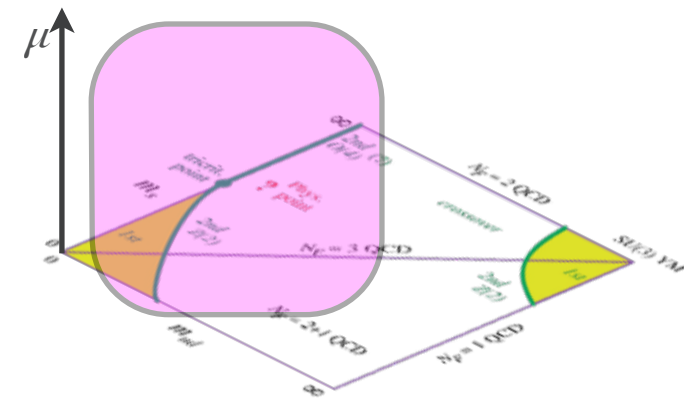
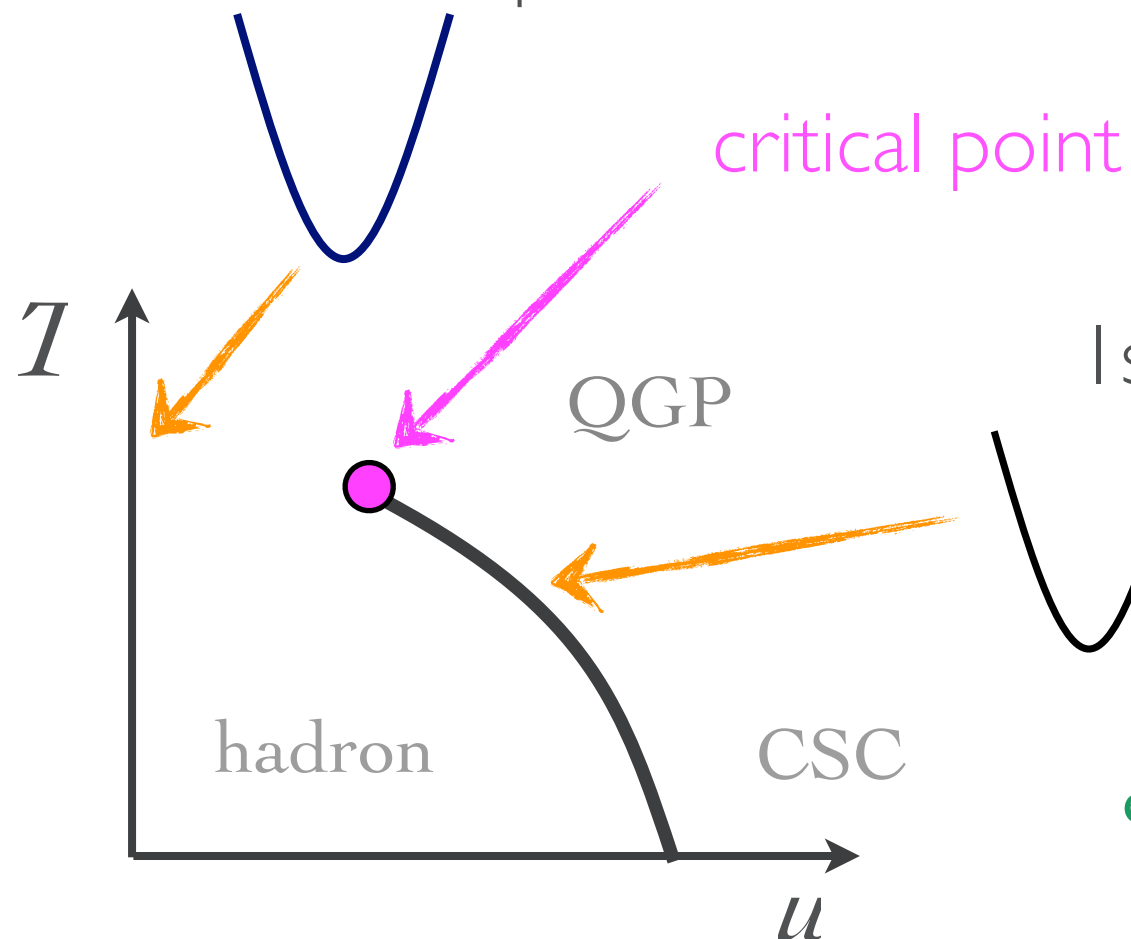


Search for the critical point with histogram method

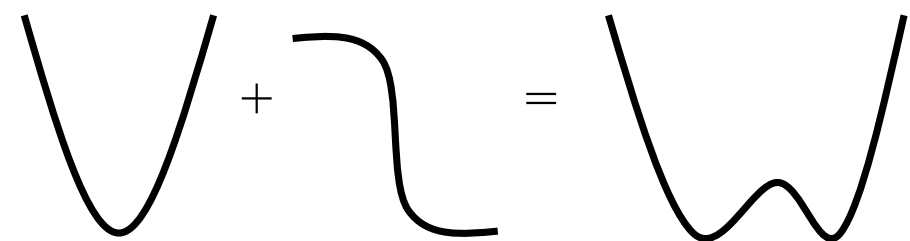
QCD with light quarks:

We expect for 2-flavor QCD with

crossover at $\mu=0$



1st order at large μ



effect of the phase factor

$$\frac{1}{2}\langle\theta^2\rangle_c$$

We try to find the crit. pt. through negative curvature in V

Search for the critical point with histogram method

QCD with light quarks:

Our strategy:

- * Phase-quenched simulation with $|\det M|^{N_f} e^{-S_g}$
- * Cumulant expansion for the phase $e^{i\theta}$ with $\theta(\mu) = N_f \int_0^{\mu/T} \Im \left[\frac{\partial(\ln \det M(\mu))}{\partial(\mu/T)} \right]_{\bar{\mu}} d\left(\frac{\bar{\mu}}{T}\right)$
- * To cover a wide range of V_{eff} by another reweighting, we choose

$$P = -S_g/6\beta N_{\text{site}} \approx \text{glue energy}$$

$$F = N_f \ln |\det M(\mu)/\det M(0)| \approx \text{quark energy}$$

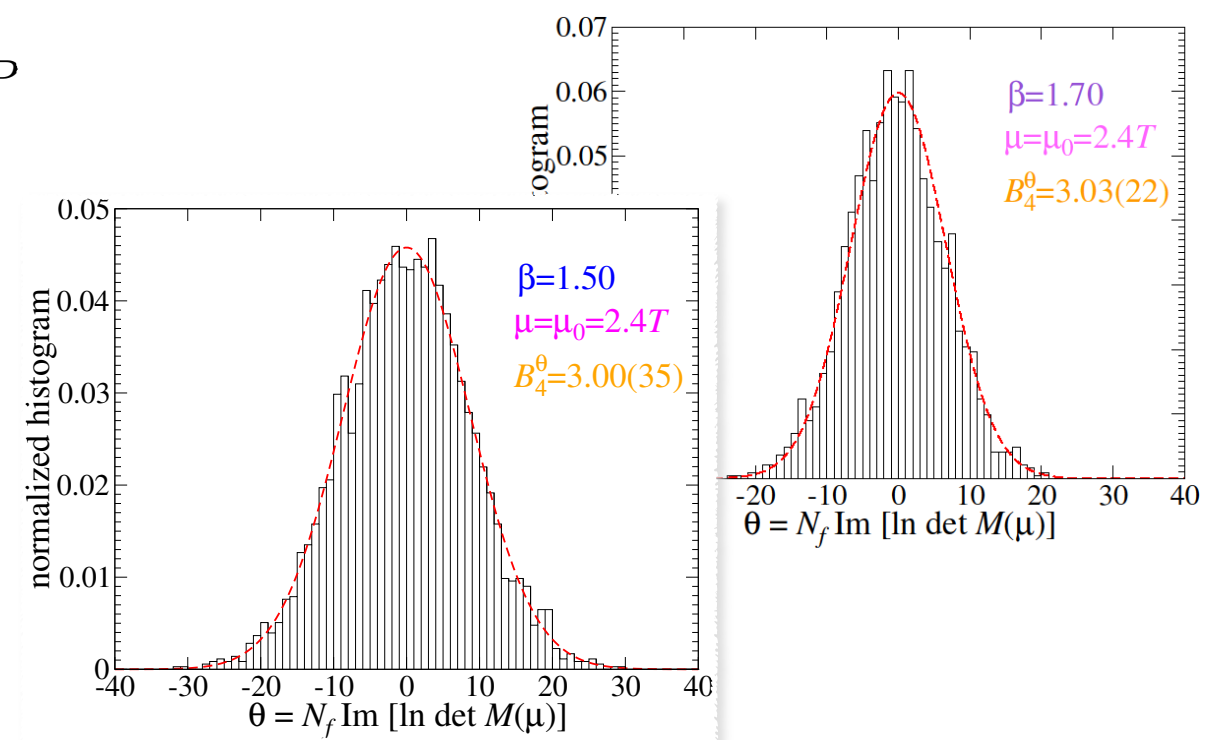
as O's for V_{eff}

$$Z(\beta, \mu) = \int \mathcal{D}U e^{i\theta(\mu)} |\det M(\mu)|^{N_f} e^{6\beta N_{\text{site}} P}$$

We again find Gaussian dominance at small μ/T .

$$\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F} \approx \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle \right]$$

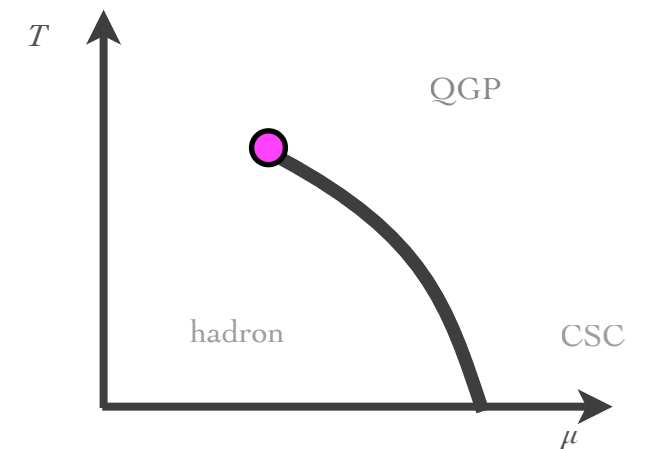
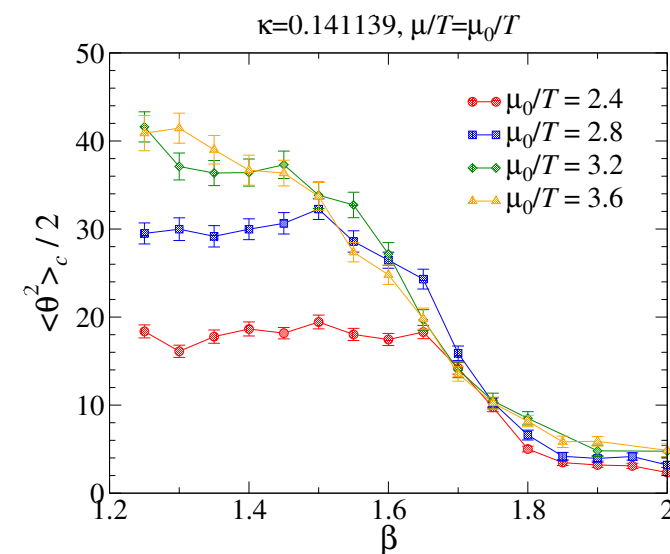
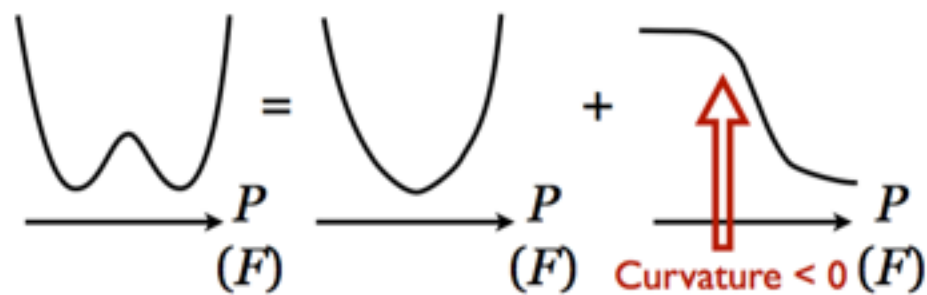
Can we reach the crit. point?



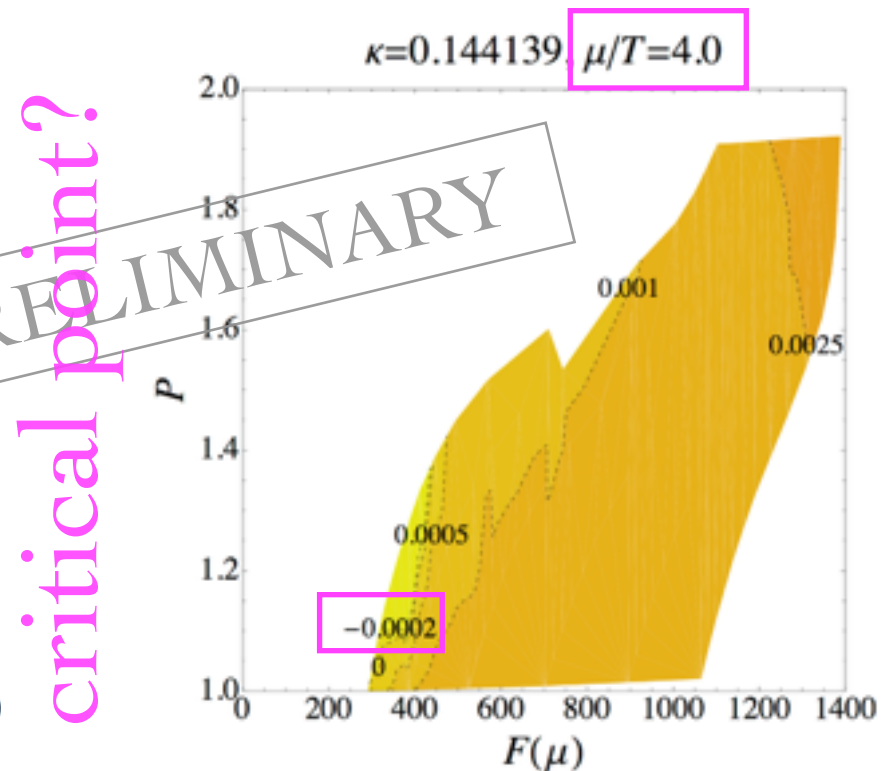
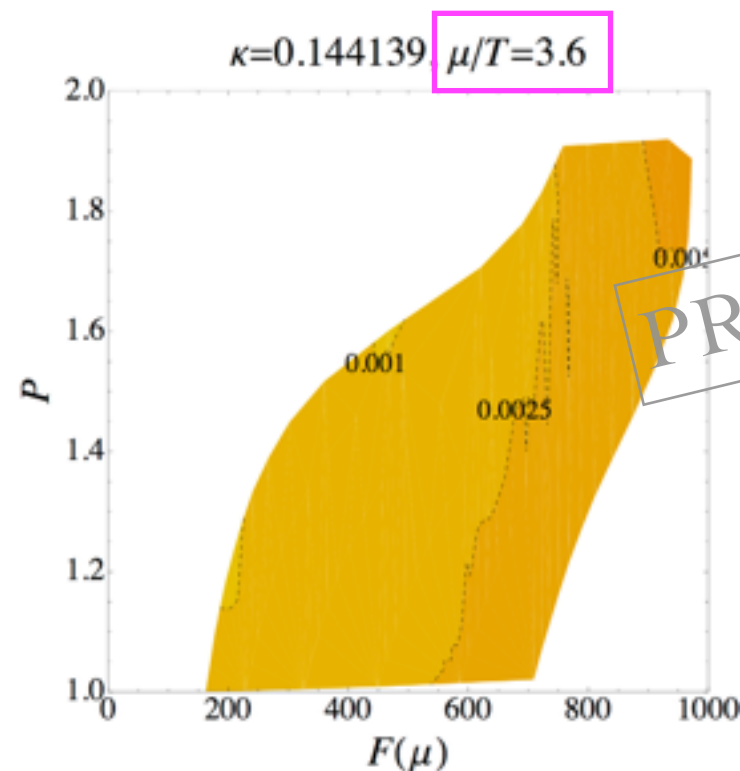
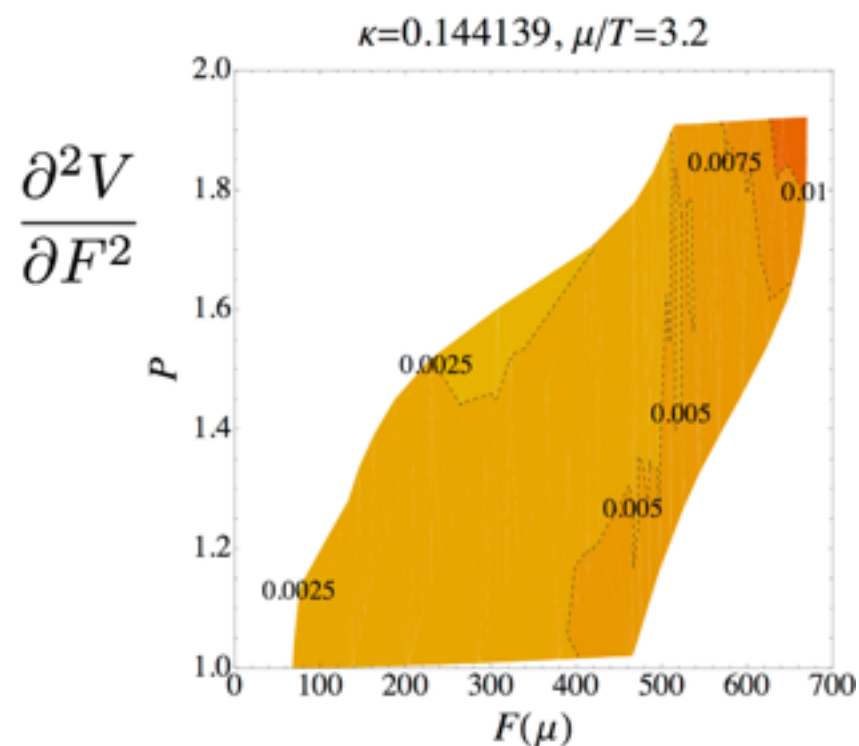
Search for the critical point with histogram method

QCD with light quarks:

$$V(P, F; \beta, \mu) = -\ln w(P, F; \beta, \mu_0) + \frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle_c(P, F; \beta, \mu, \mu_0)$$



Curvature in the F-direction:



critical point?

thank you