

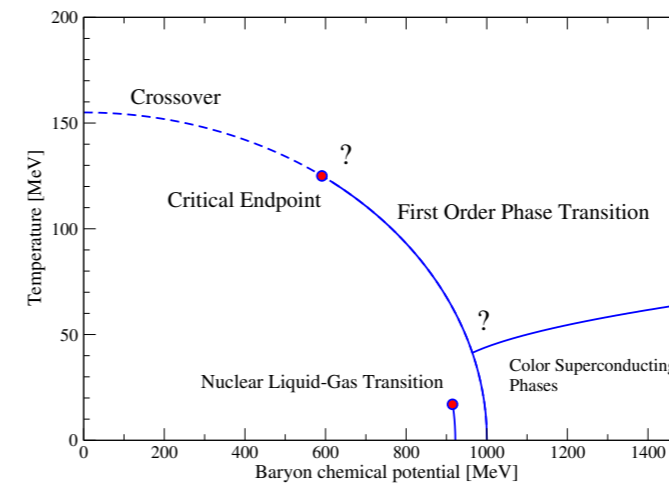


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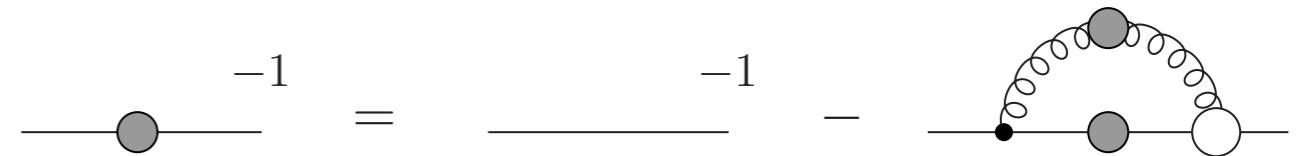
The QCD phase diagram with functional methods

Review: CF, PPNP 105 (2019) [1810.12938]

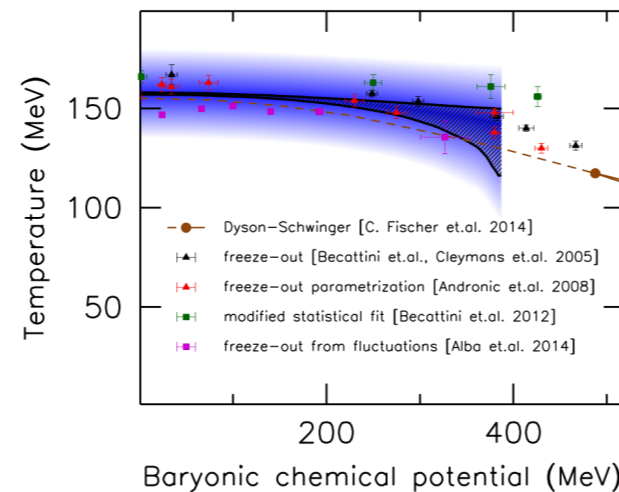
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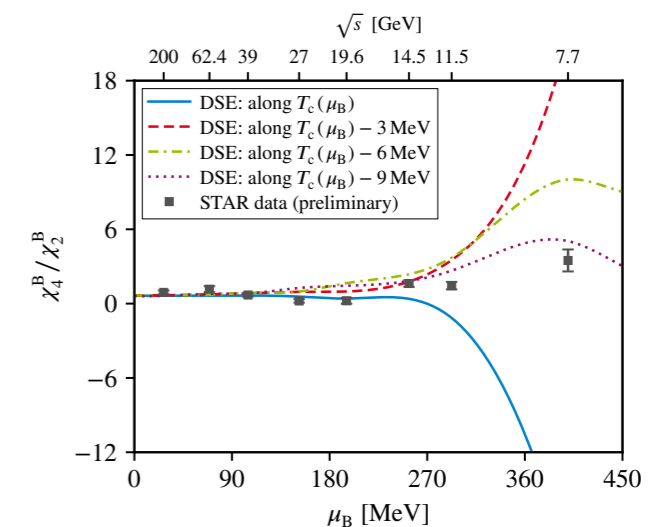
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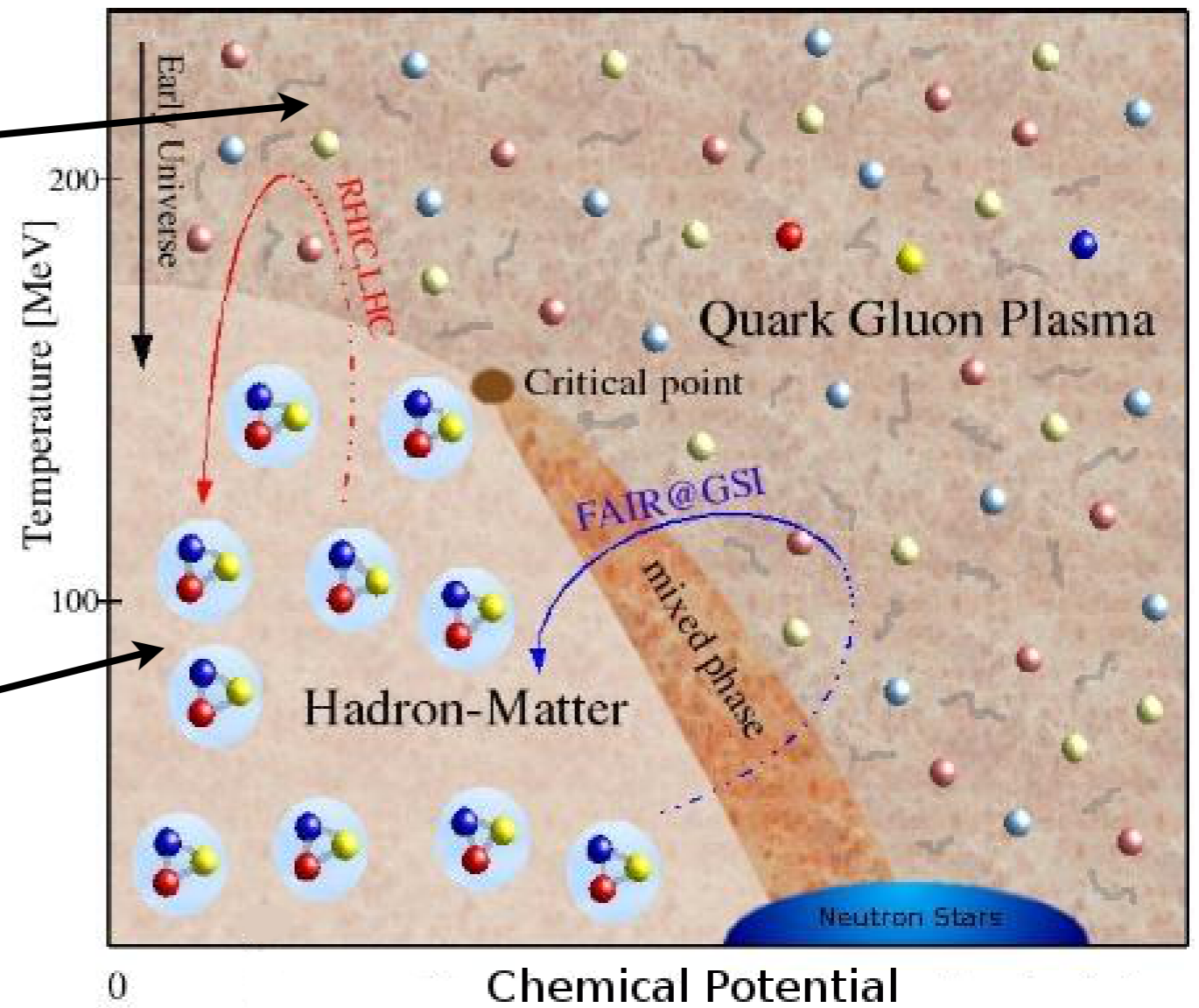
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QCD phase diagram

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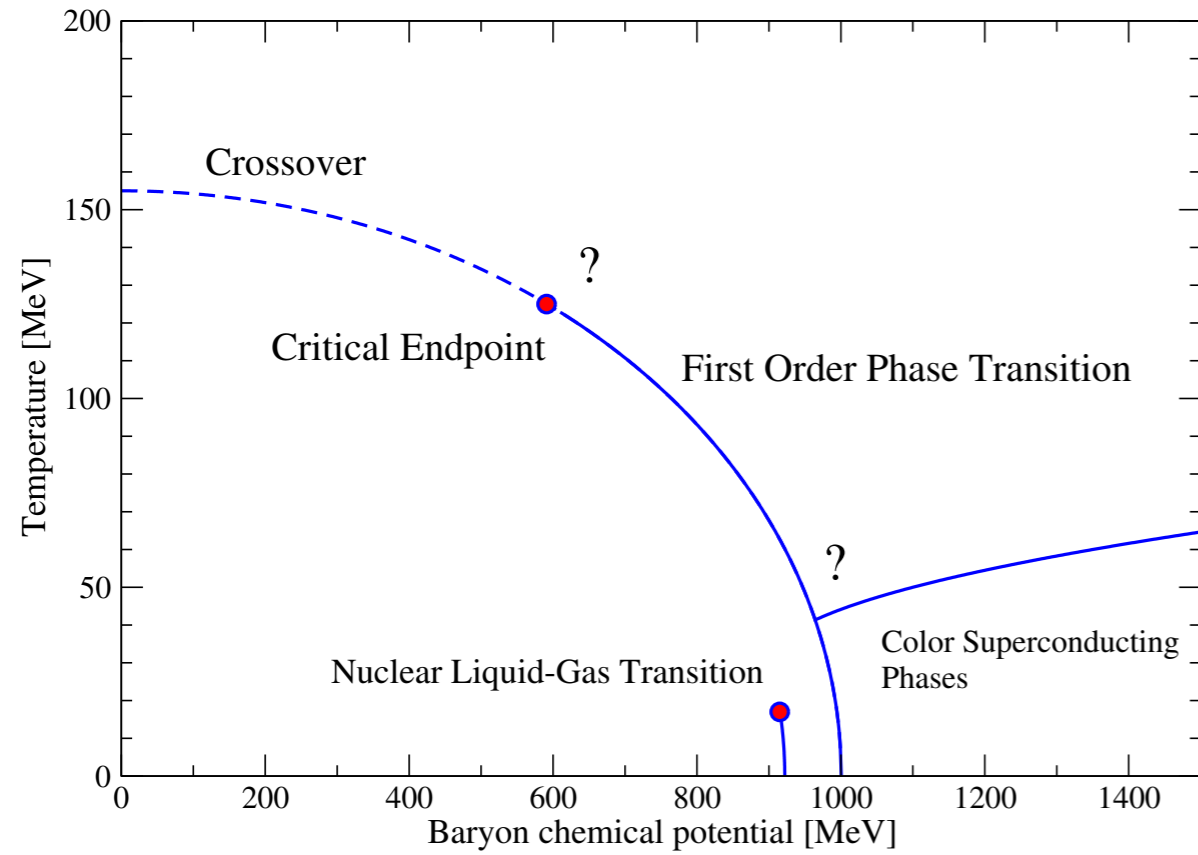
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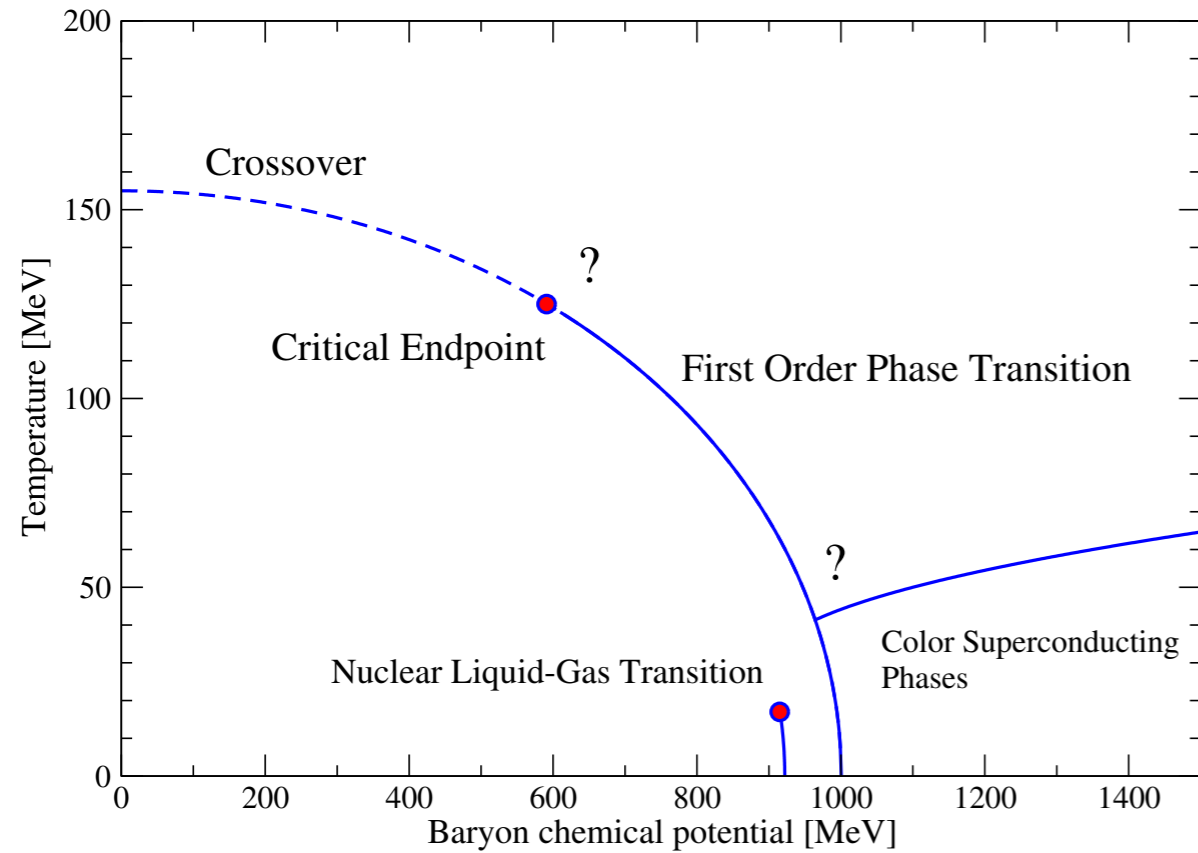
Many interesting open questions:

- Existence and location of critical point ?
- Details of phase transitions ??
- Consequences for early universe and physics of neutron stars

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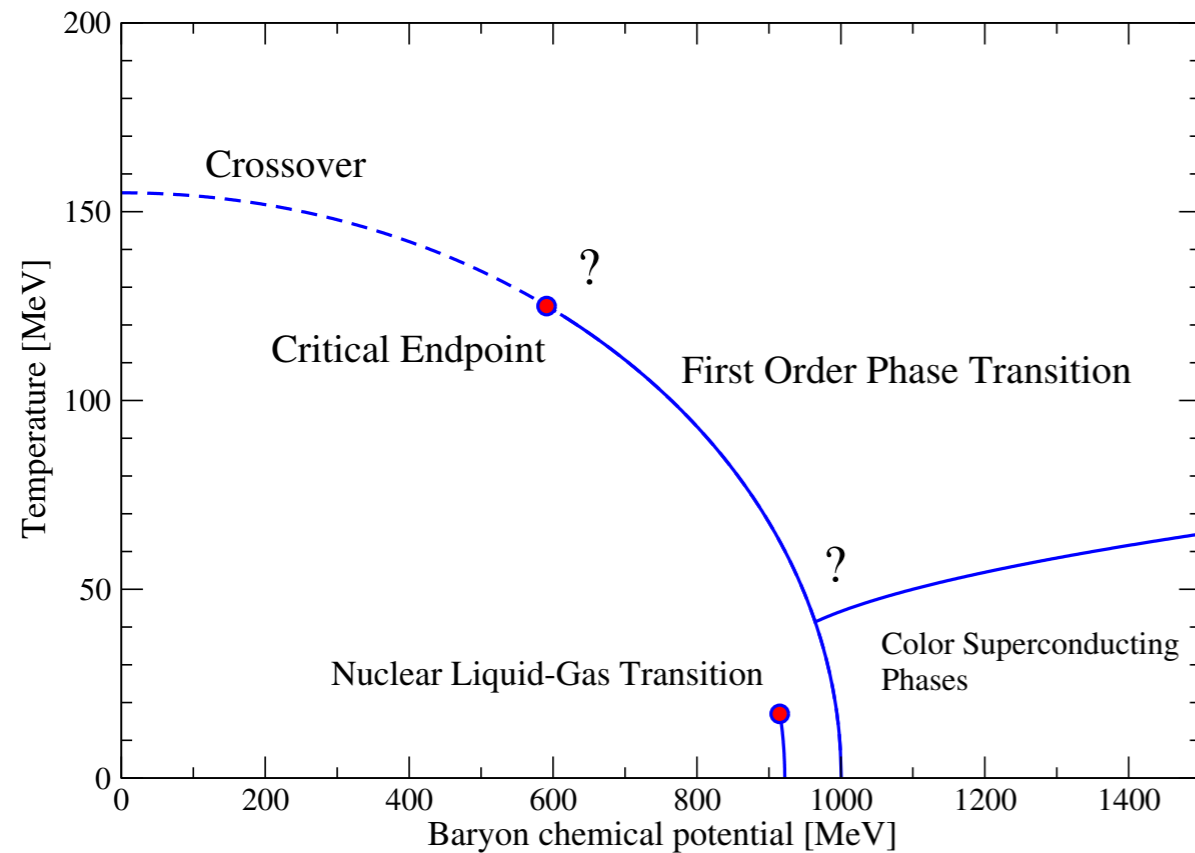


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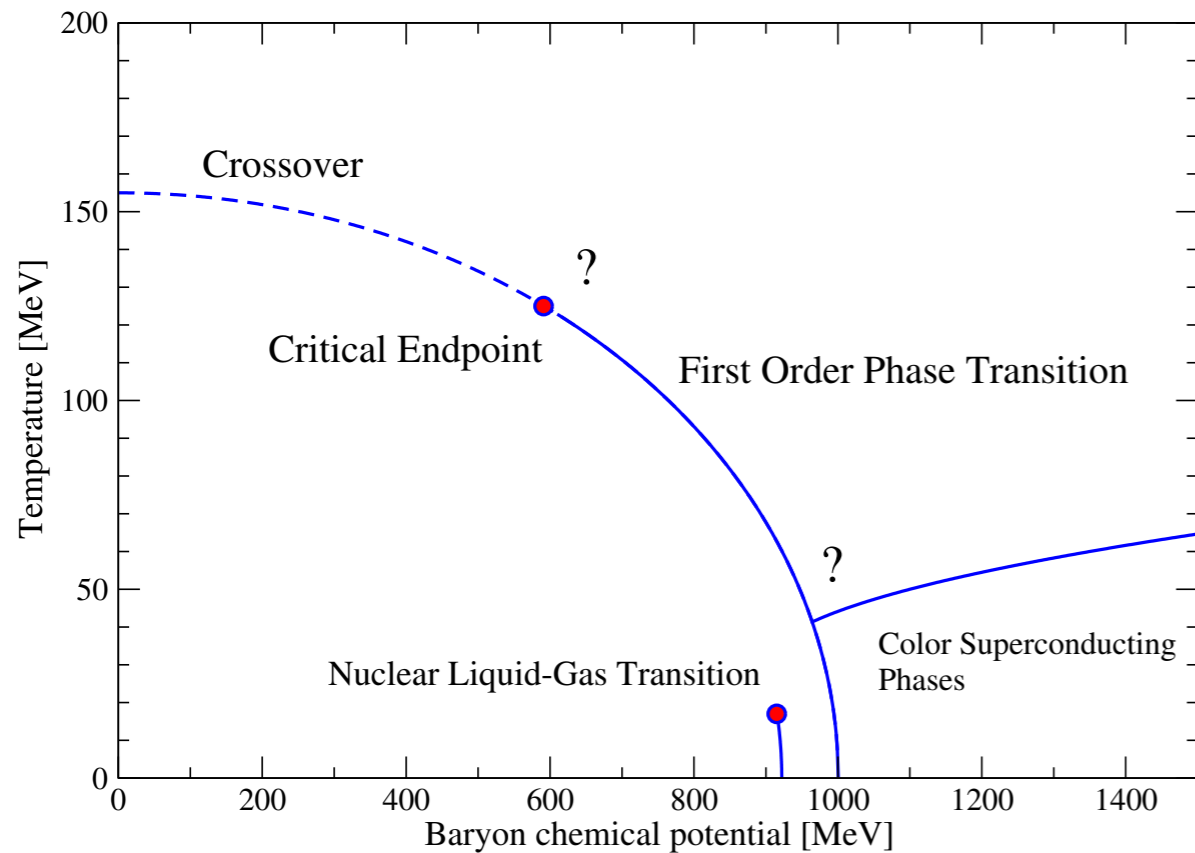
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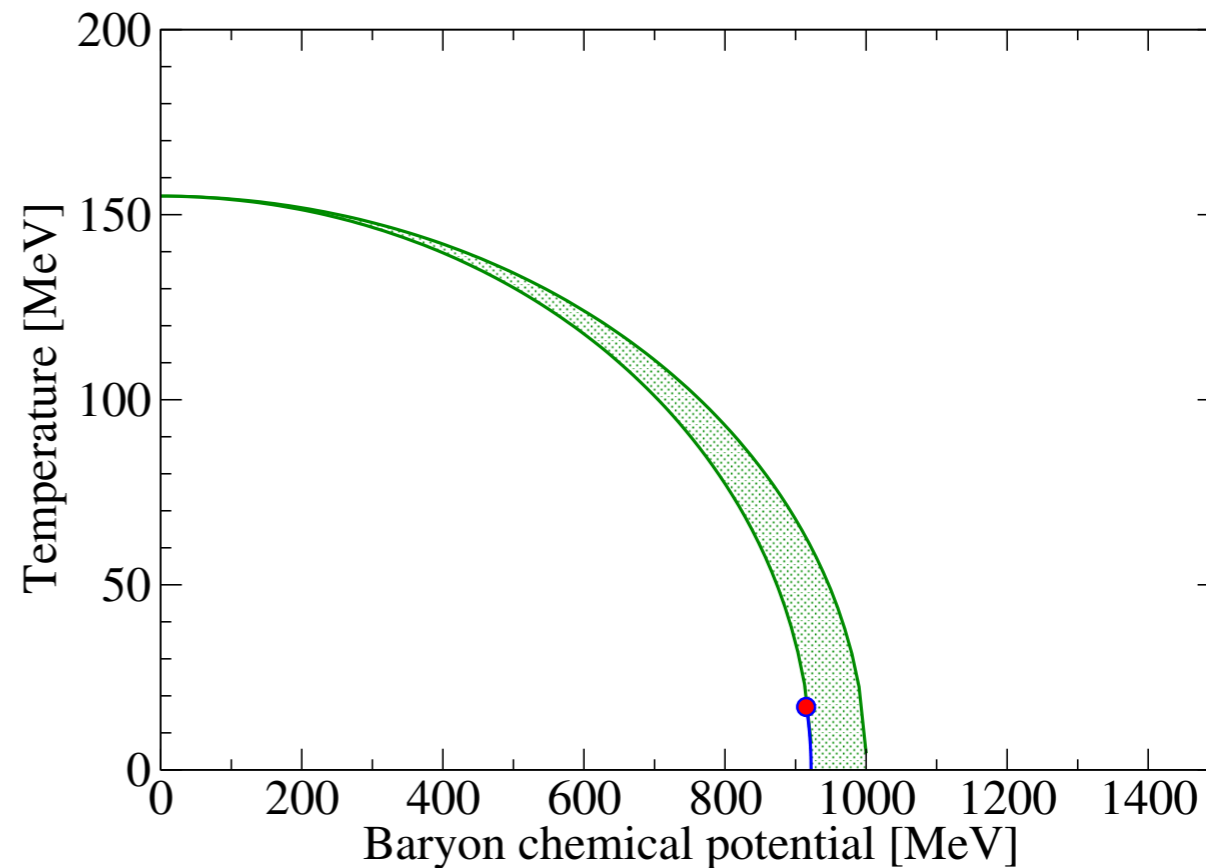
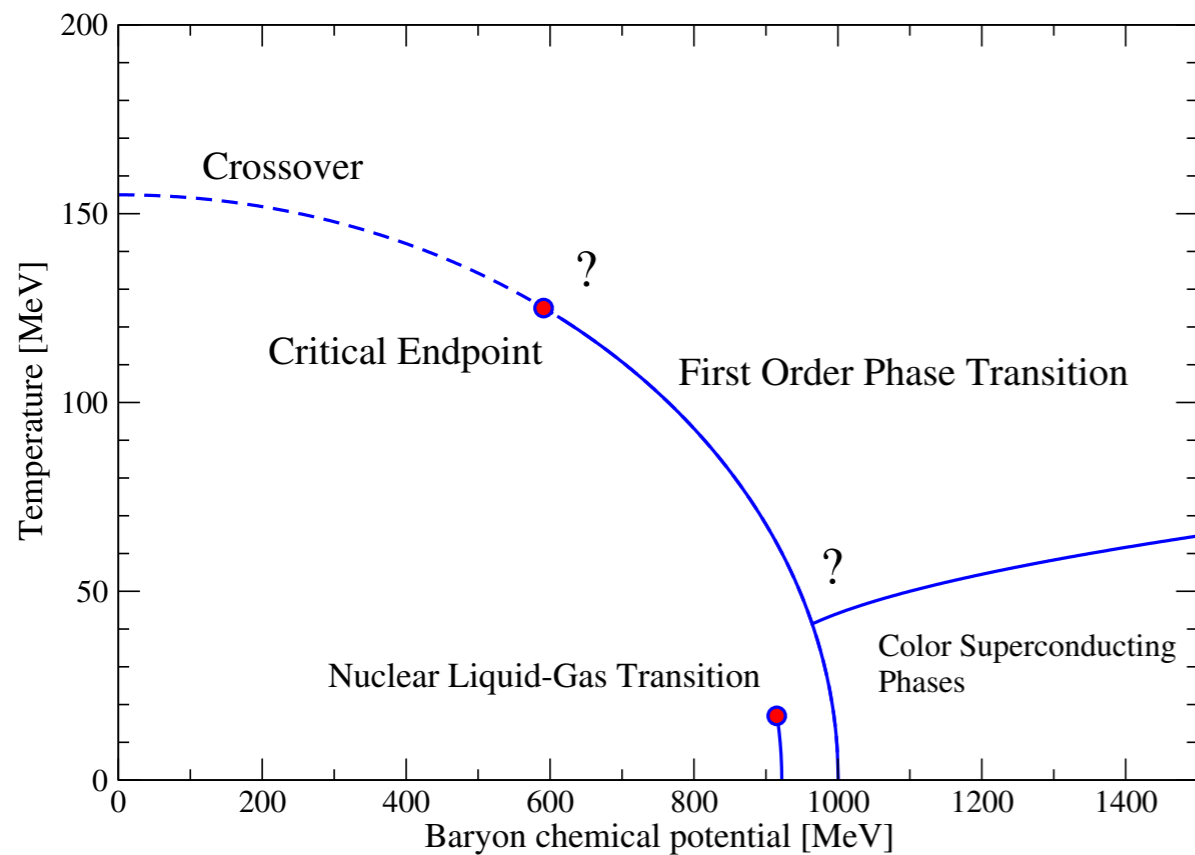


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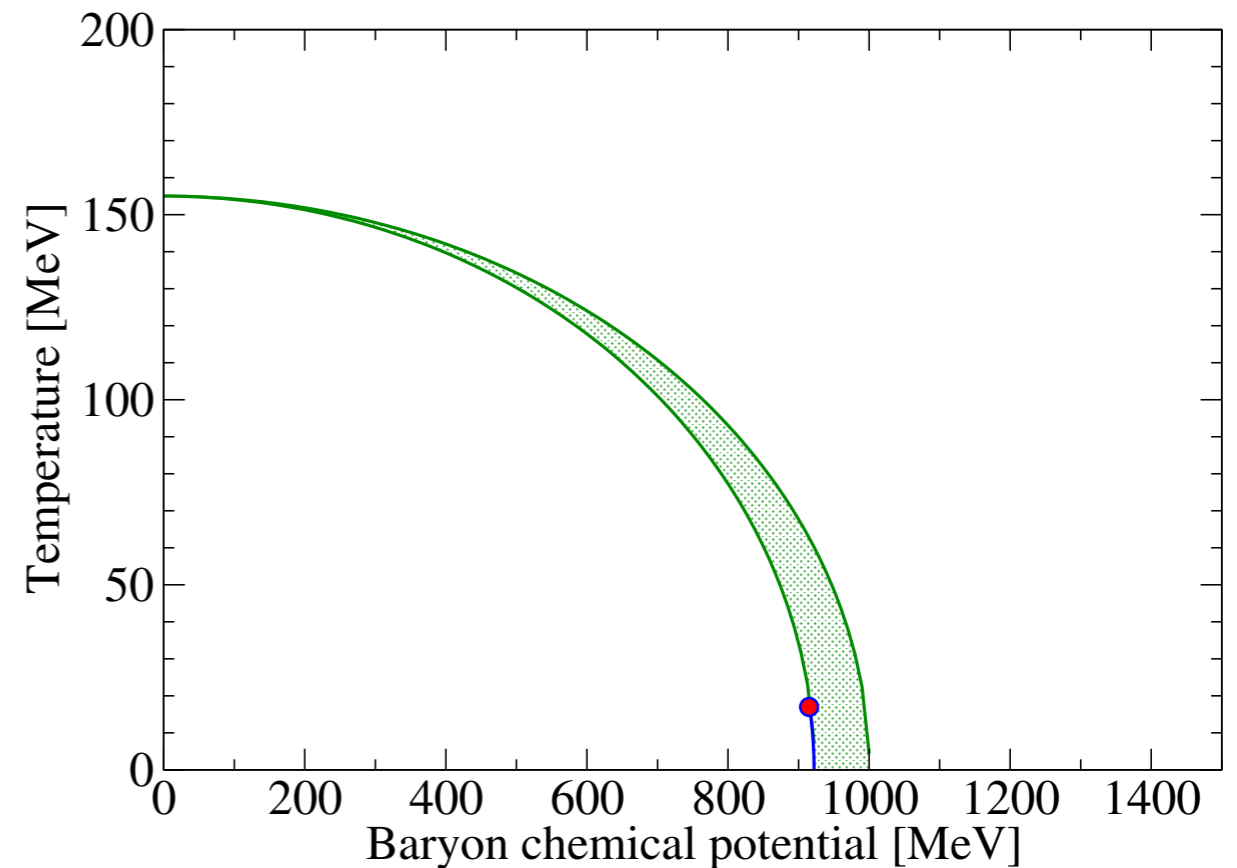
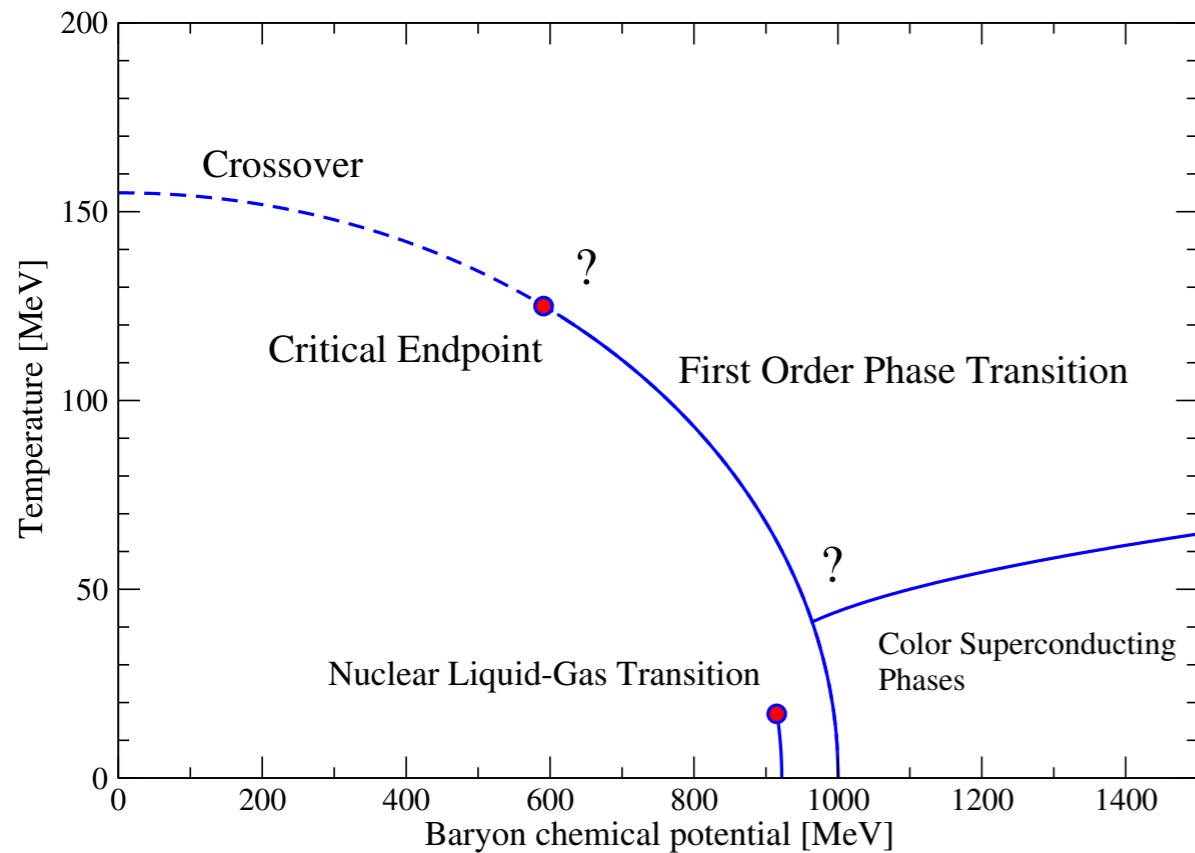


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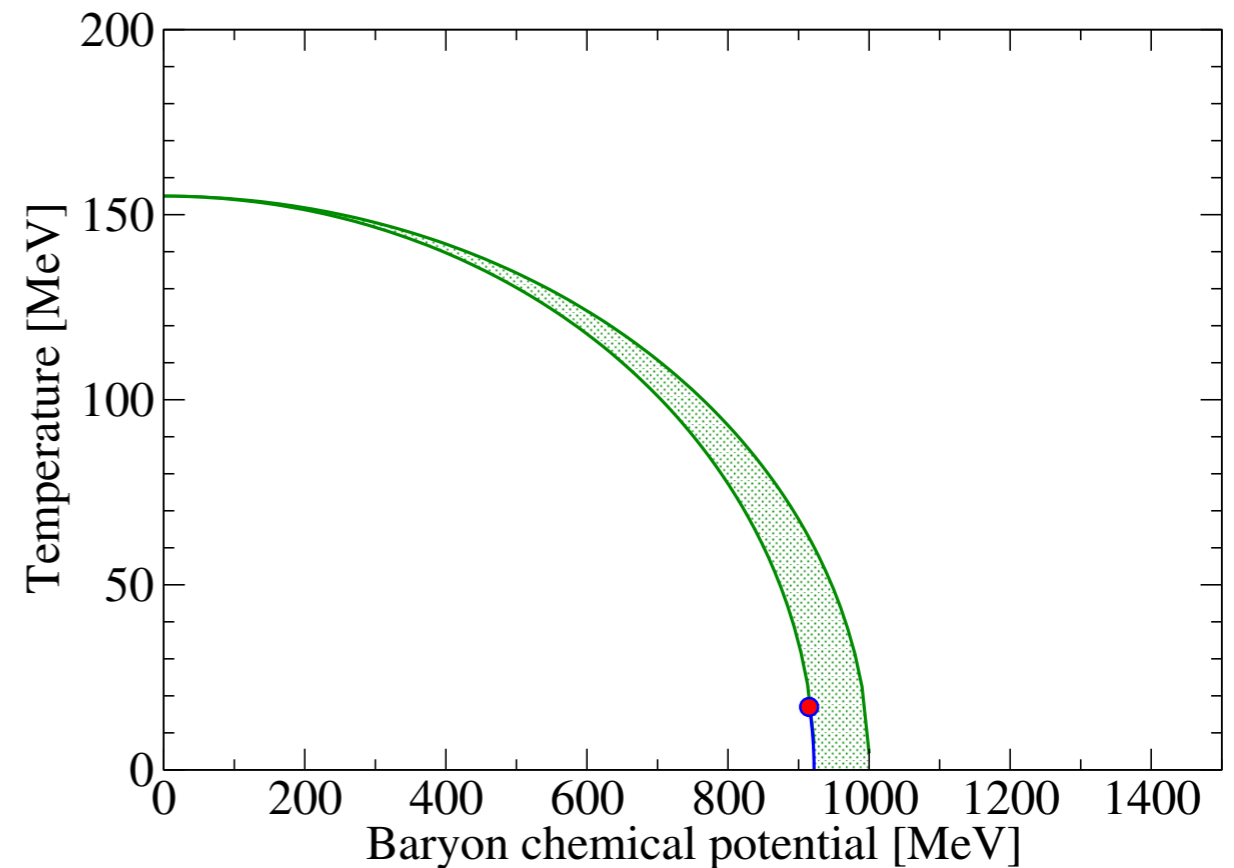
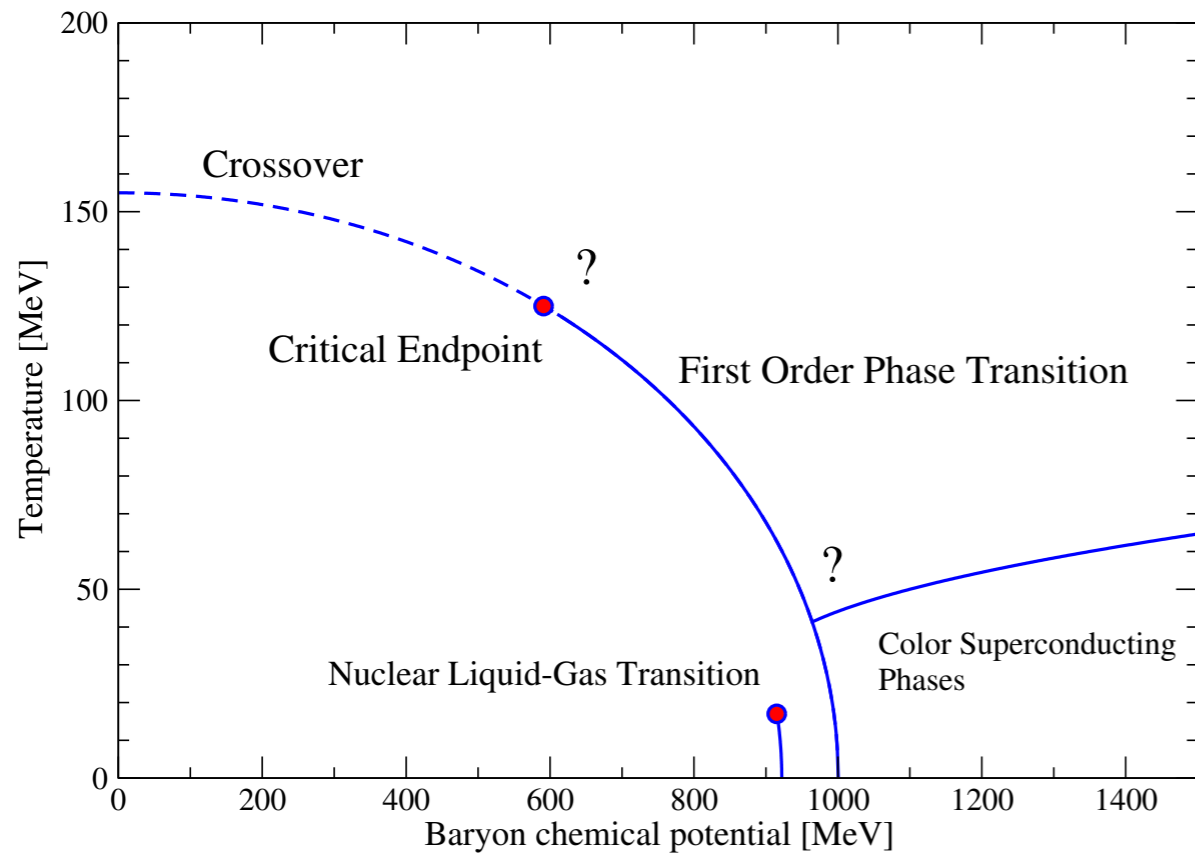
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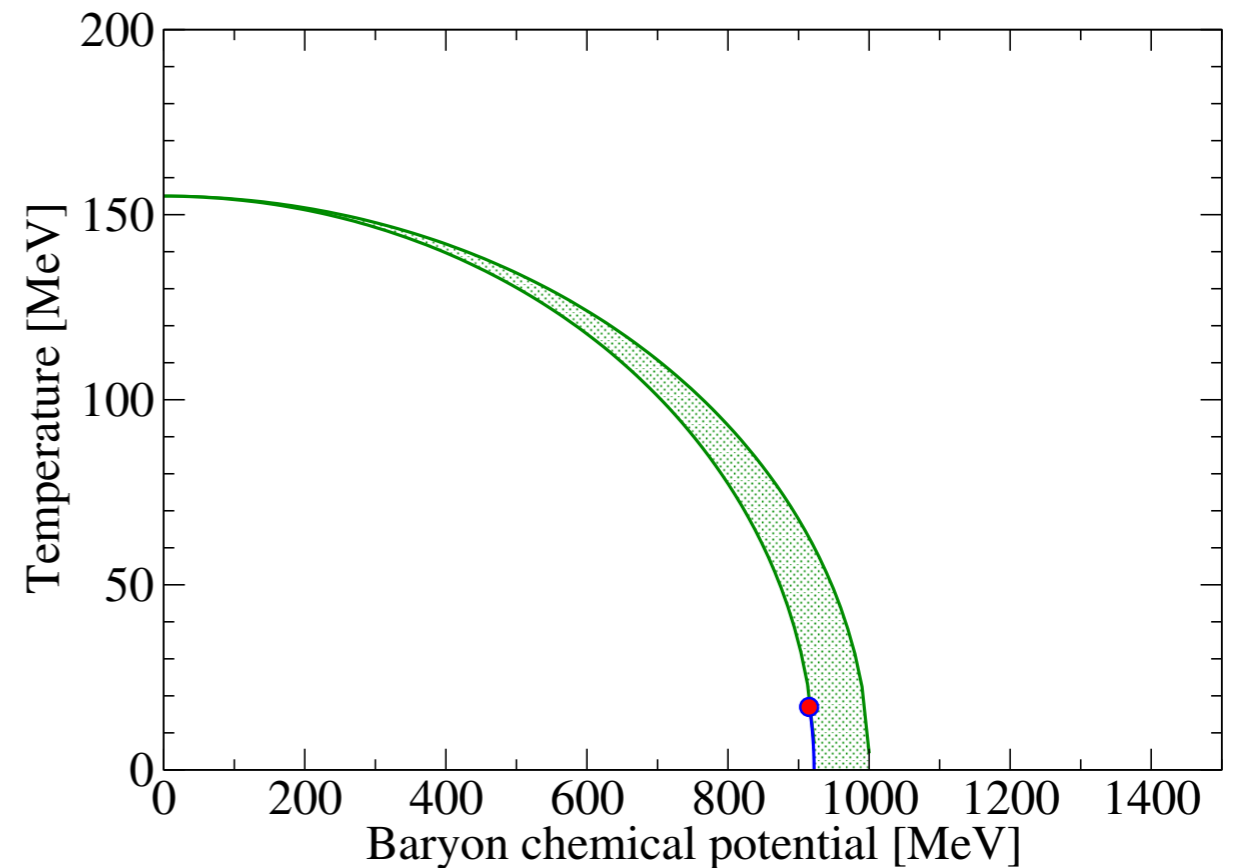
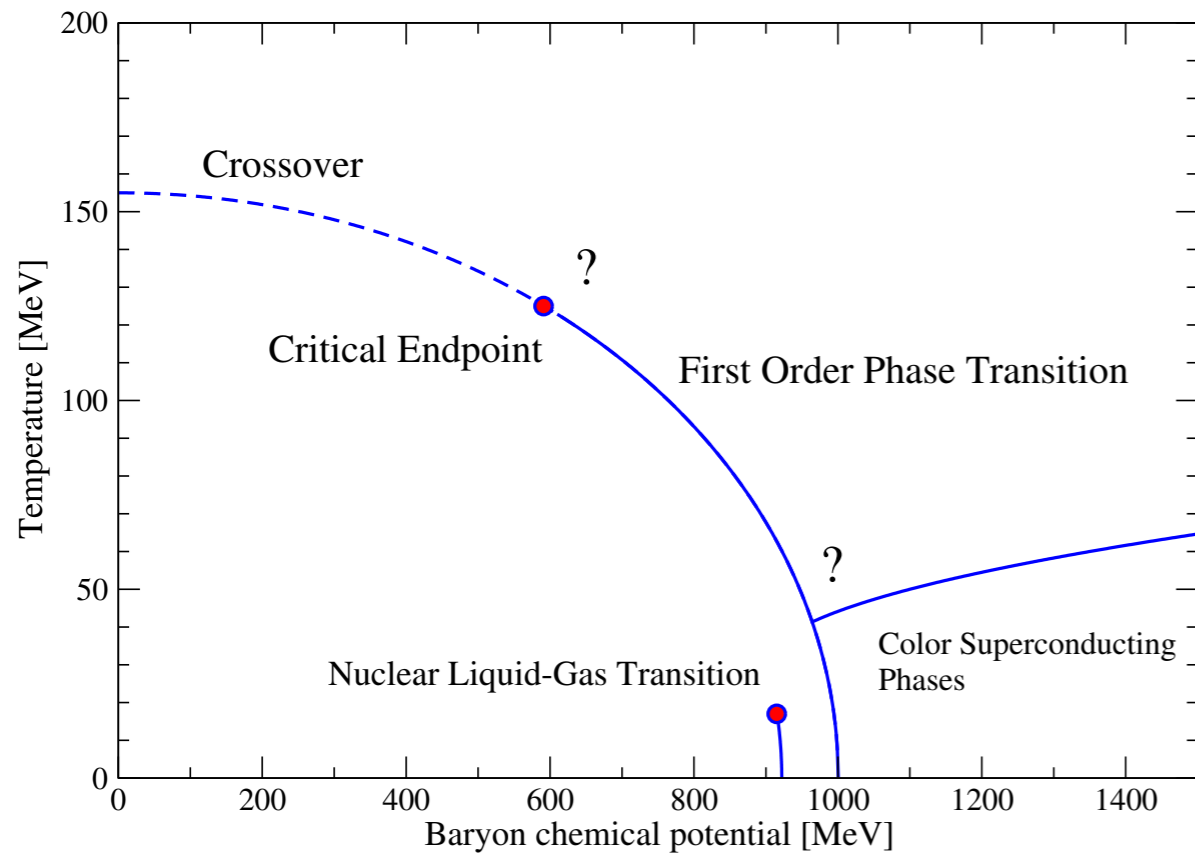
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The QCD generating functional

$$\mathcal{Z}_{QCD} = \int \mathcal{D}[\Psi, A] \exp \left\{ - \int d^4x \left(\bar{\Psi} (i\not{D} - m) \Psi - \frac{1}{4} (F_{\mu\nu}^a)^2 + \text{gauge fixing} \right) \right\}$$

$$S_{QCD} = \int d^4x \left(\text{fermion line}^{-1} + \text{fermion line with gluon vertex} + \text{gluon line}^{-1} + \text{gluon line with ghost vertex} + \text{gluon self-energy} \right)$$

- Euclidean space

cf. talk by Jana

- $F_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a - g f^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$

- $D_\mu = \partial_\mu + i g t^a A_\mu^a$

- Temperature:

see talk by Jana

- Landau gauge: $\partial_\mu A_\mu^a = 0$

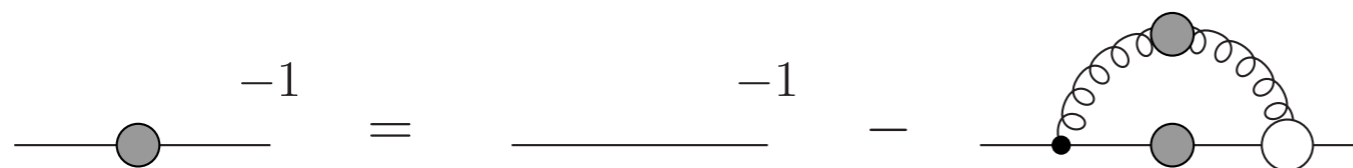
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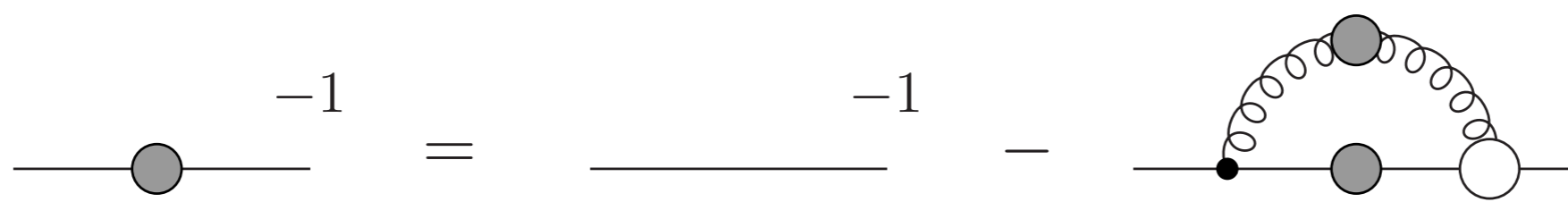
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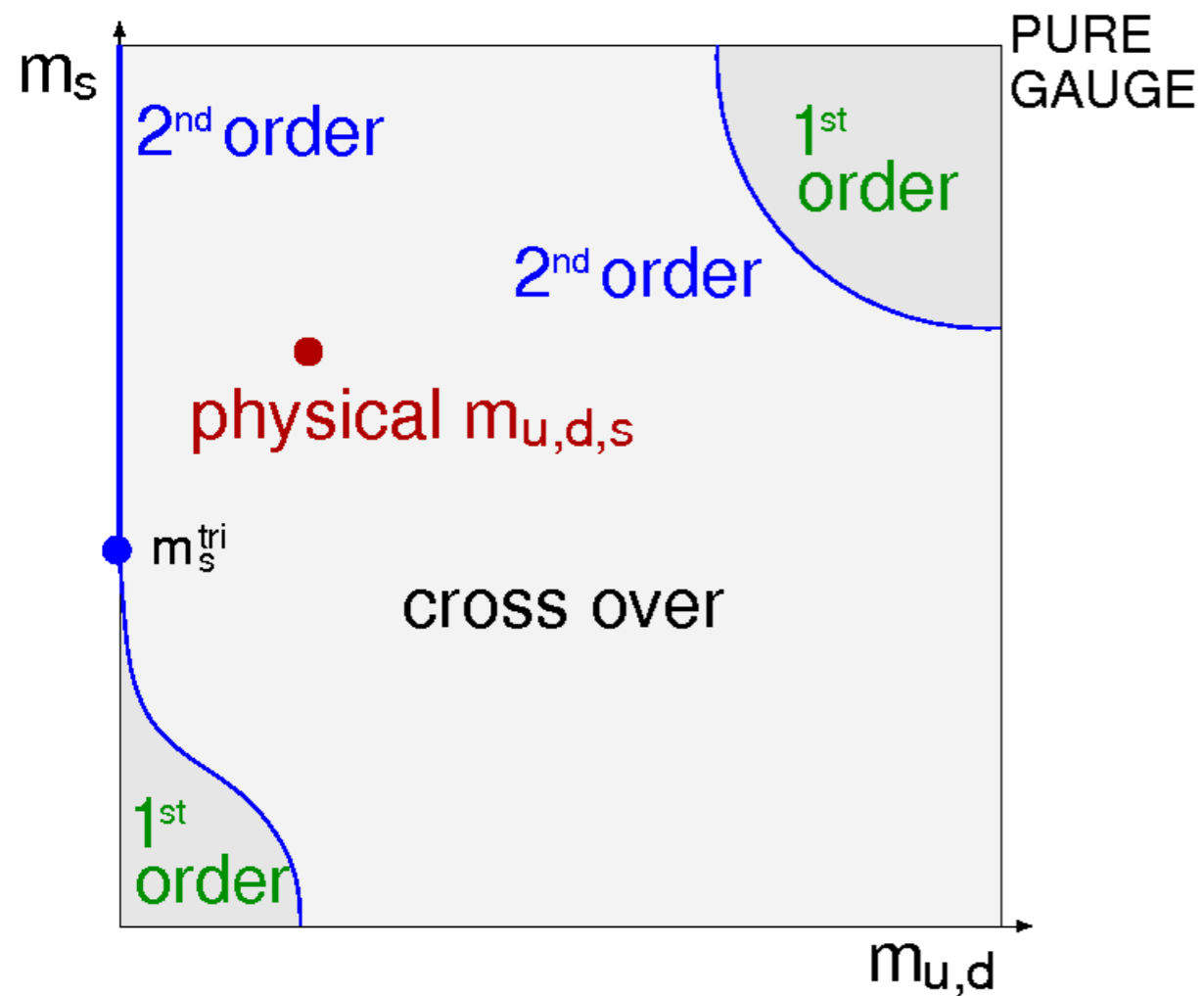
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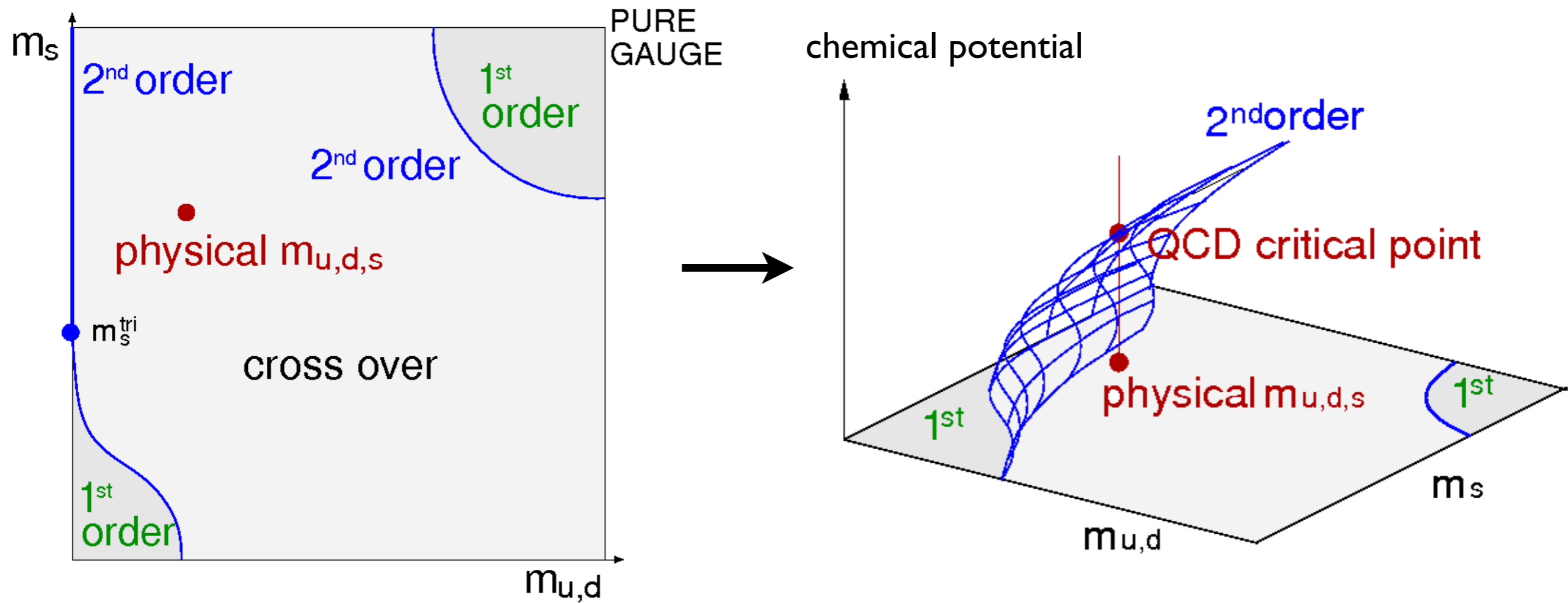
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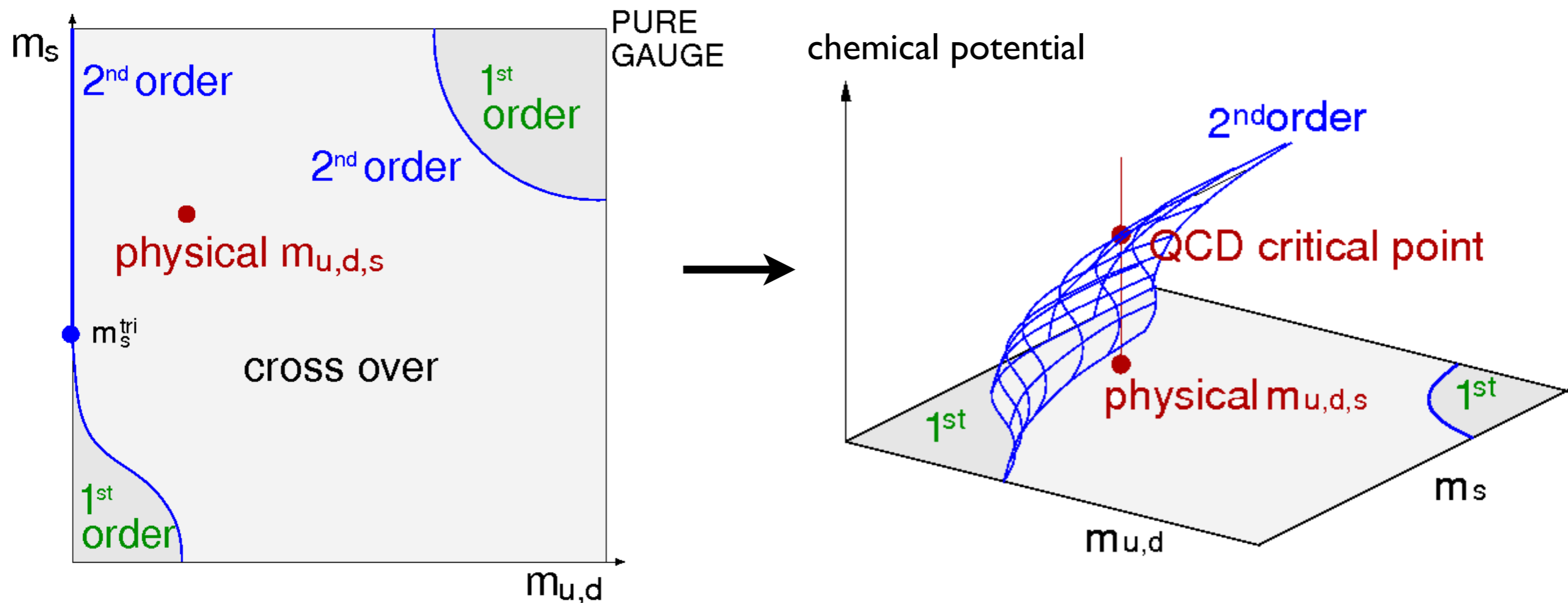
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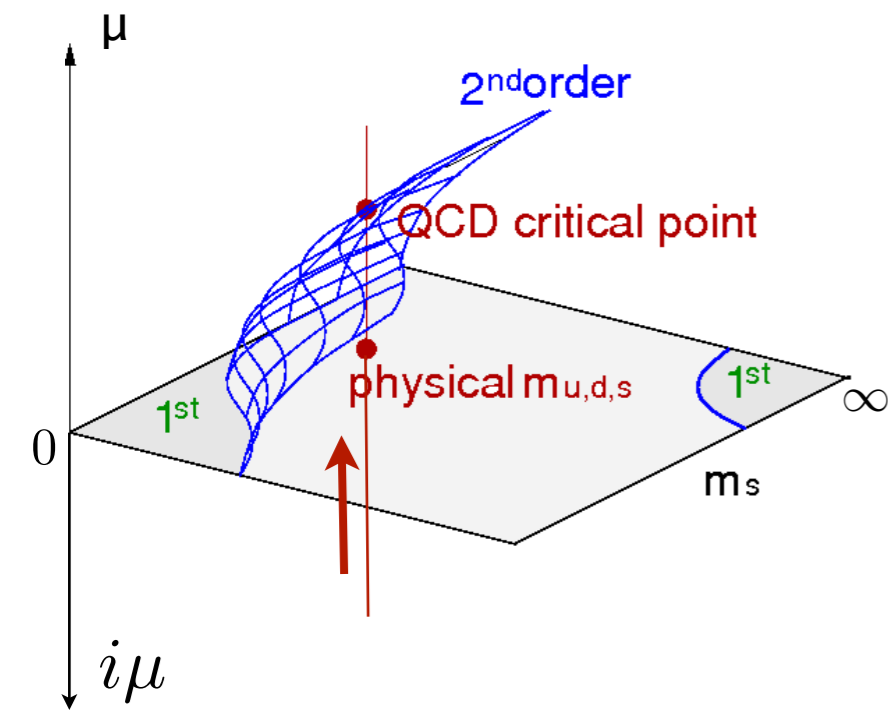


- Lattice-QCD
 - present: extrapolation
 - future: exact methods ?
- DSE/FRG
 - can do ! but typical errors 5-30%

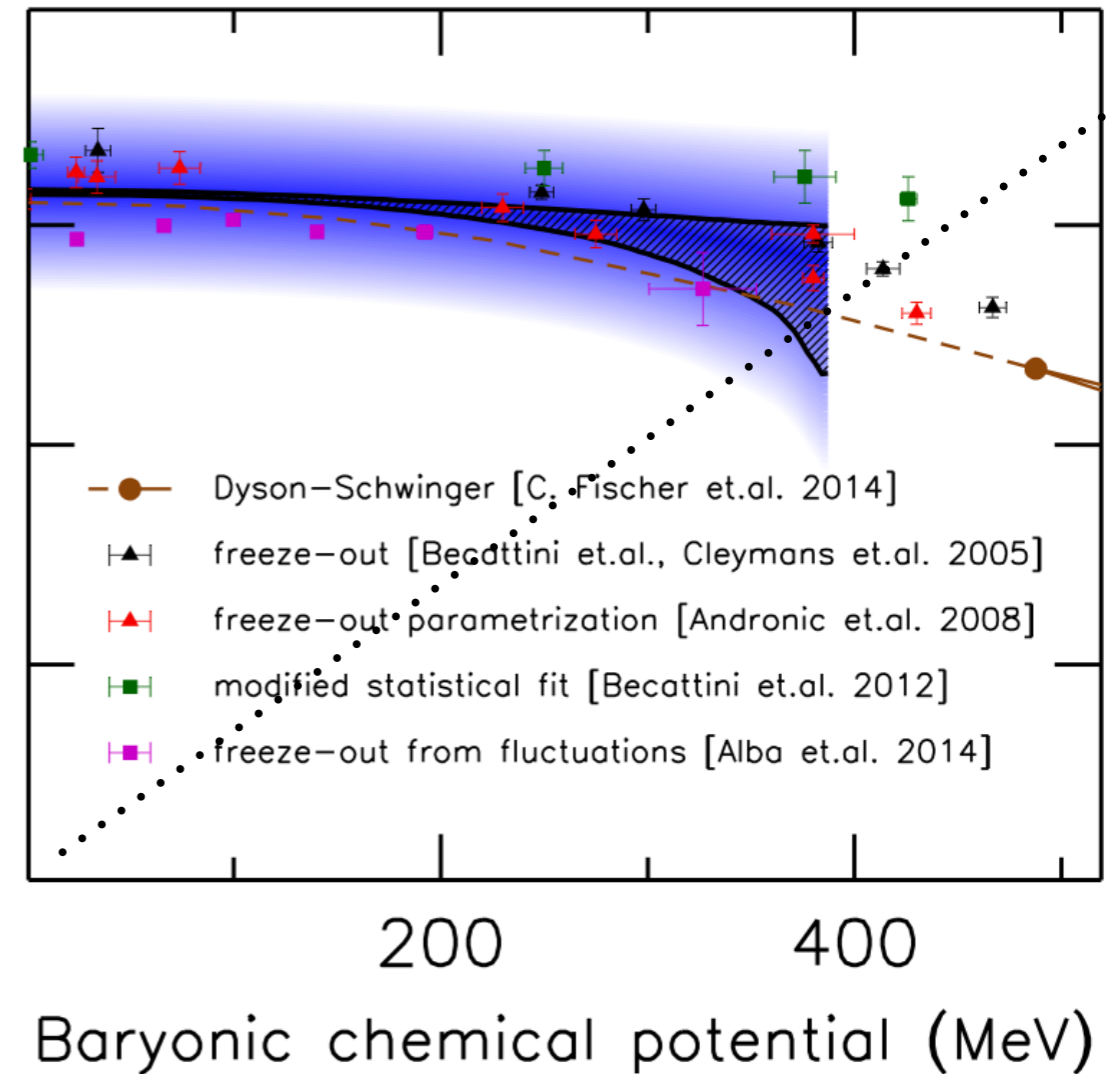
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Chiral transition line from analytic continuation



Temperature (MeV)



Bellwied, Borsanyi, Fodor, Günther,
Katz, Ratti and Szabo, PLB 751 (2015) 559

HOT-QCD: similar results

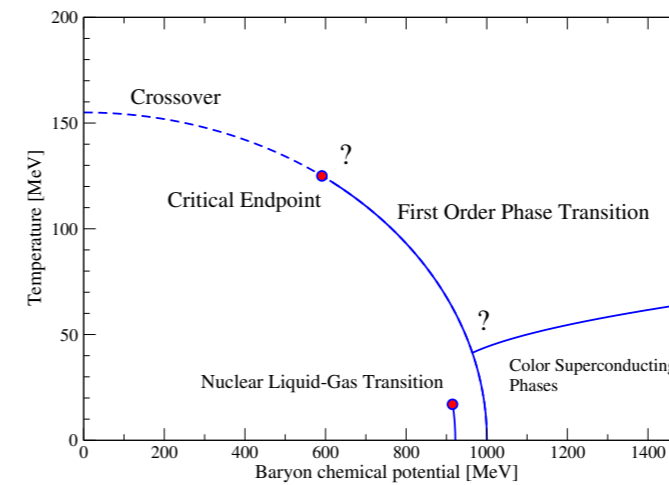
Lattice method:

- Det. crossover at imaginary μ and extrapolate to real μ
- Control systematics

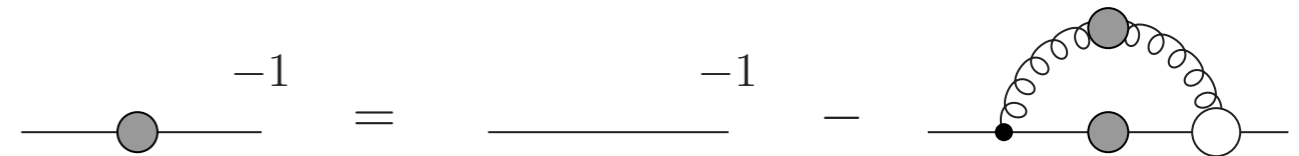
Main result:

- No transition for $\mu_B/T < 2-3$

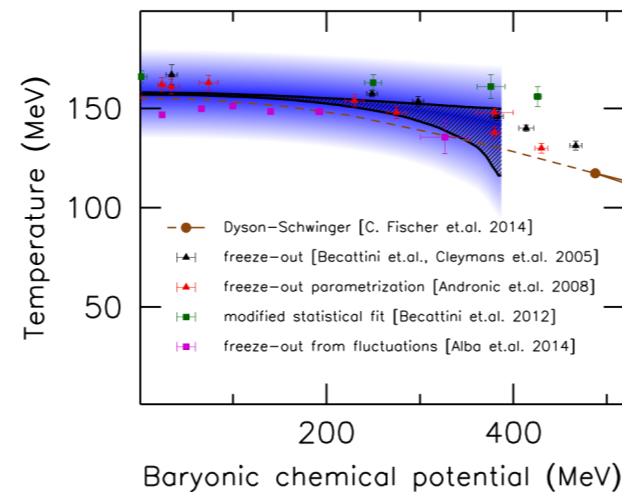
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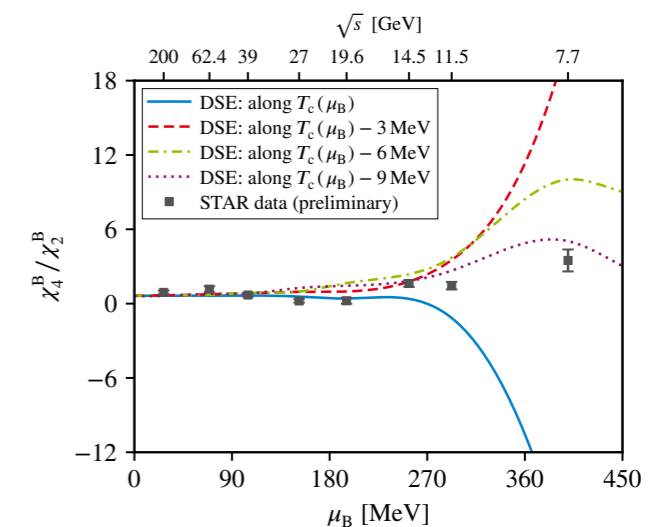
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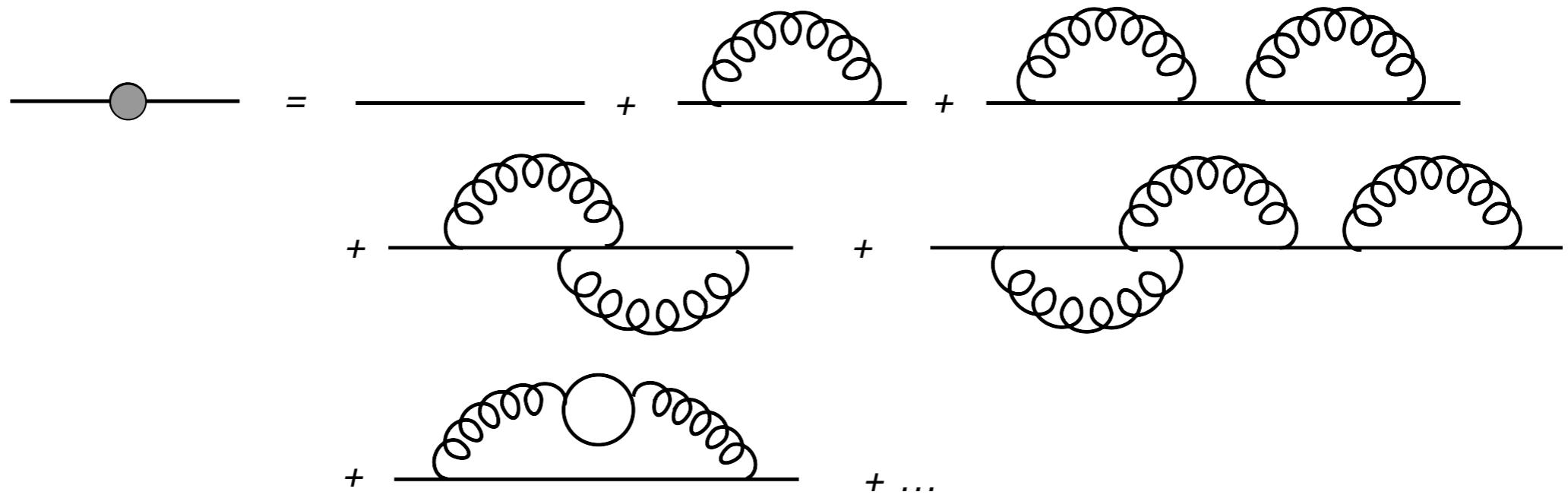


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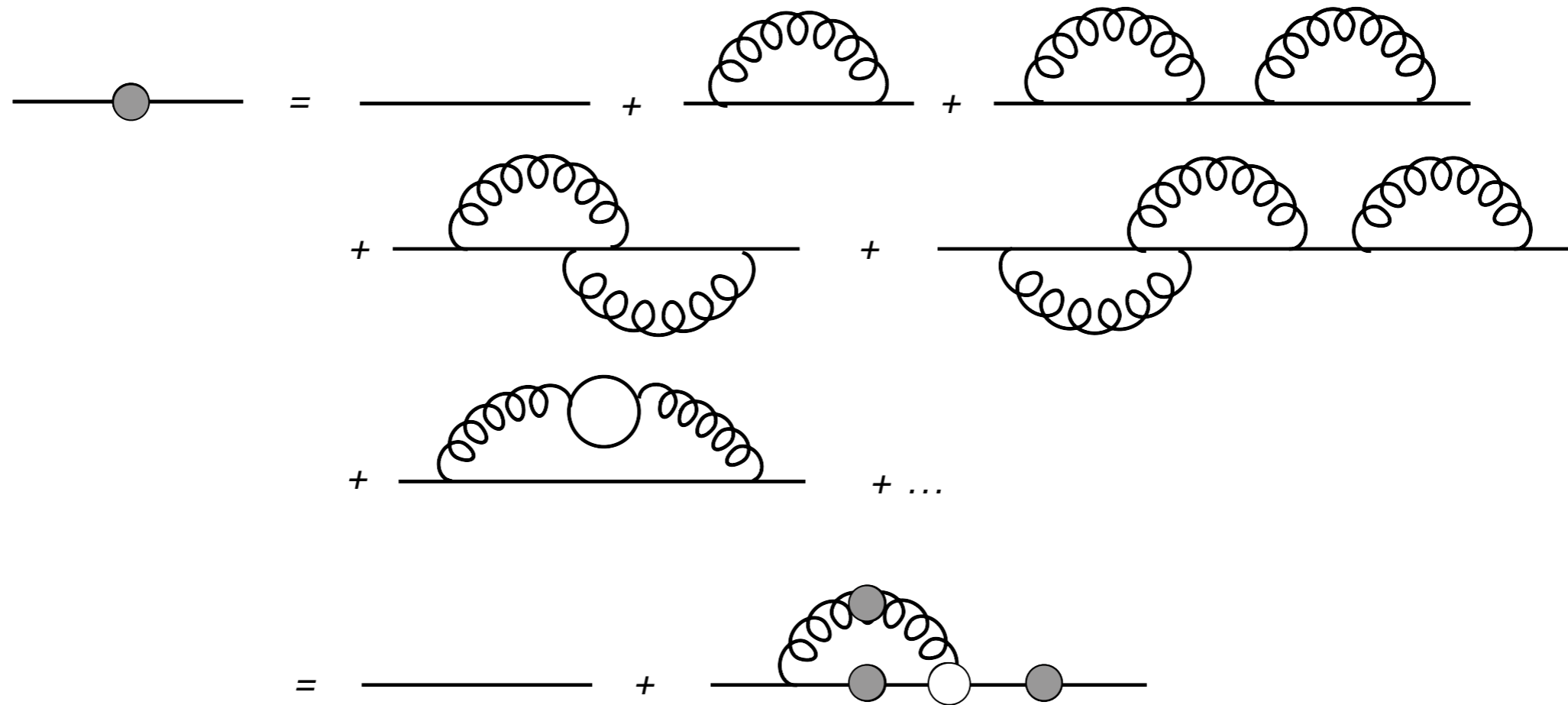
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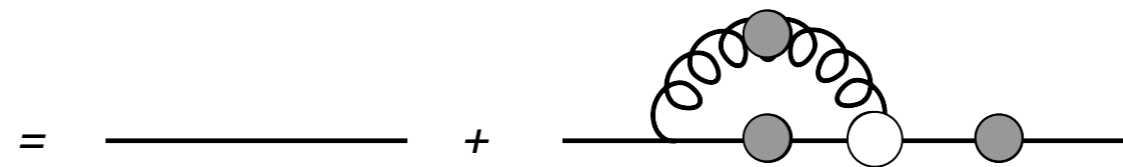
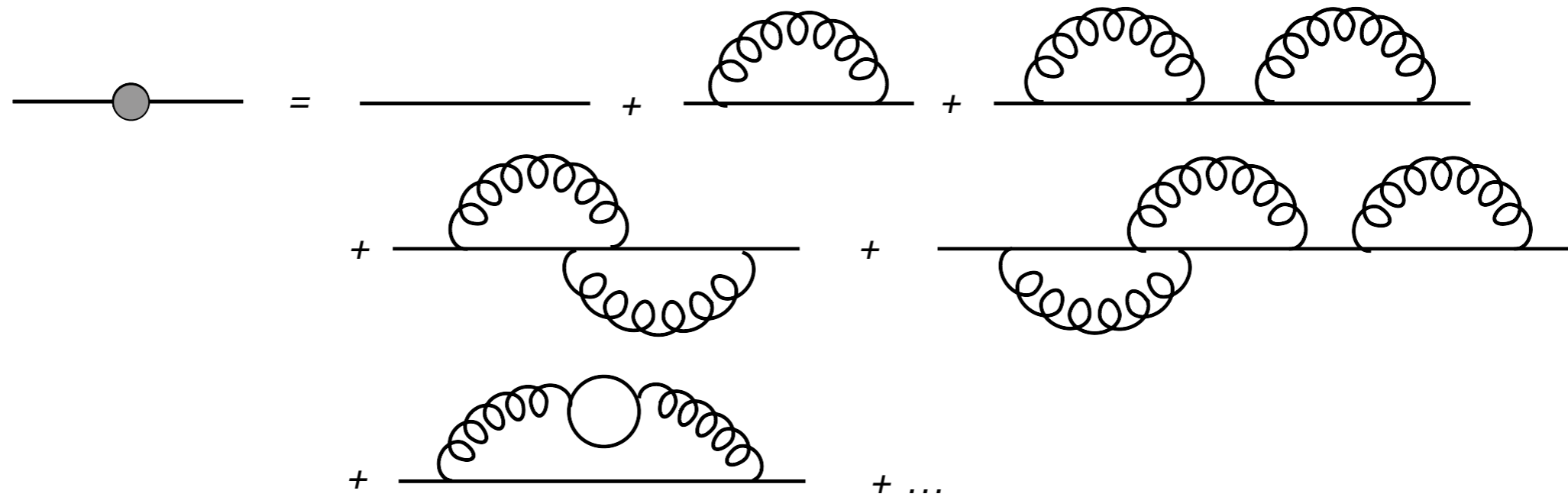
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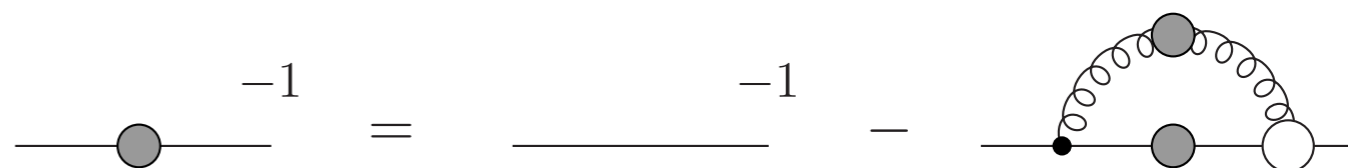
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Chiral order parameter:

$$\langle \bar{\Psi} \Psi \rangle = Z_2 N_c \text{Tr}_D \frac{1}{T} \sum_{\omega} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} S(\vec{p}, \omega)$$

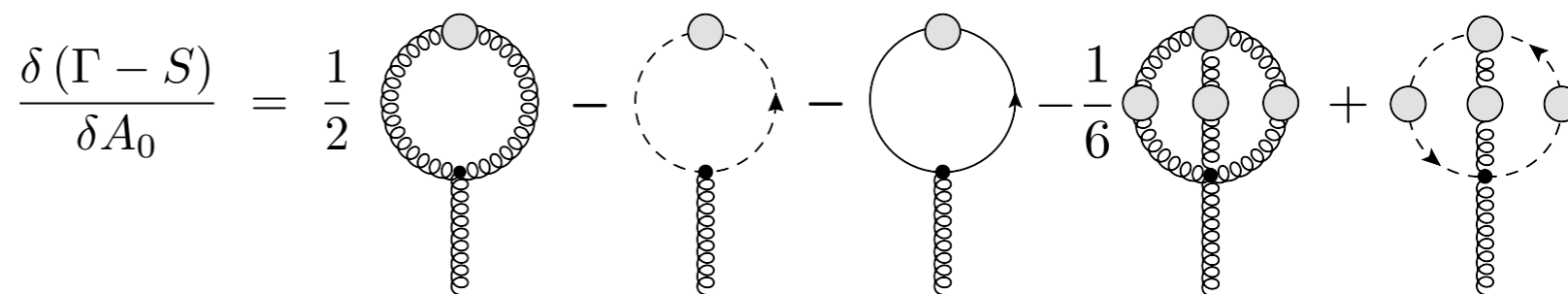


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Deconfinement:

- Polyakov loop potential

$$L = \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr} e^{ig\beta A_0}$$



$$\frac{\delta(\Gamma - S)}{\delta A_0} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\text{---} \bullet \text{---} - \text{---} \bullet \text{---} - \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \right) - \frac{1}{6} \left(\text{---} \bullet \text{---} + \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \right)$$

Braun, Gies, Pawłowski, PLB 684, 262 (2010)
 Braun, Haas, Marhauser, Pawłowski, PRL 106 (2011)
 Fister, Pawłowski, PRD 88 045010 (2013)
 CF, Fister, Luecker, Pawłowski, PLB 732 (2013)

The DSE for the quark propagator

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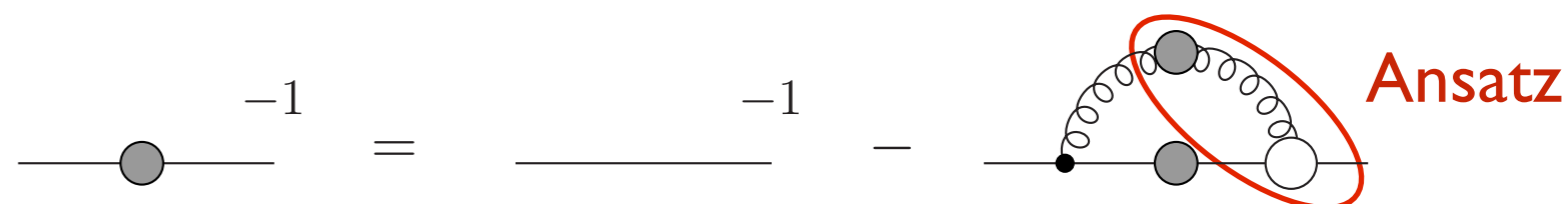

Approximations:

I) NJL/contact model:

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Buballa, Phys. Rept., 2005, 407, 205-376

II) Rainbow-ladder:

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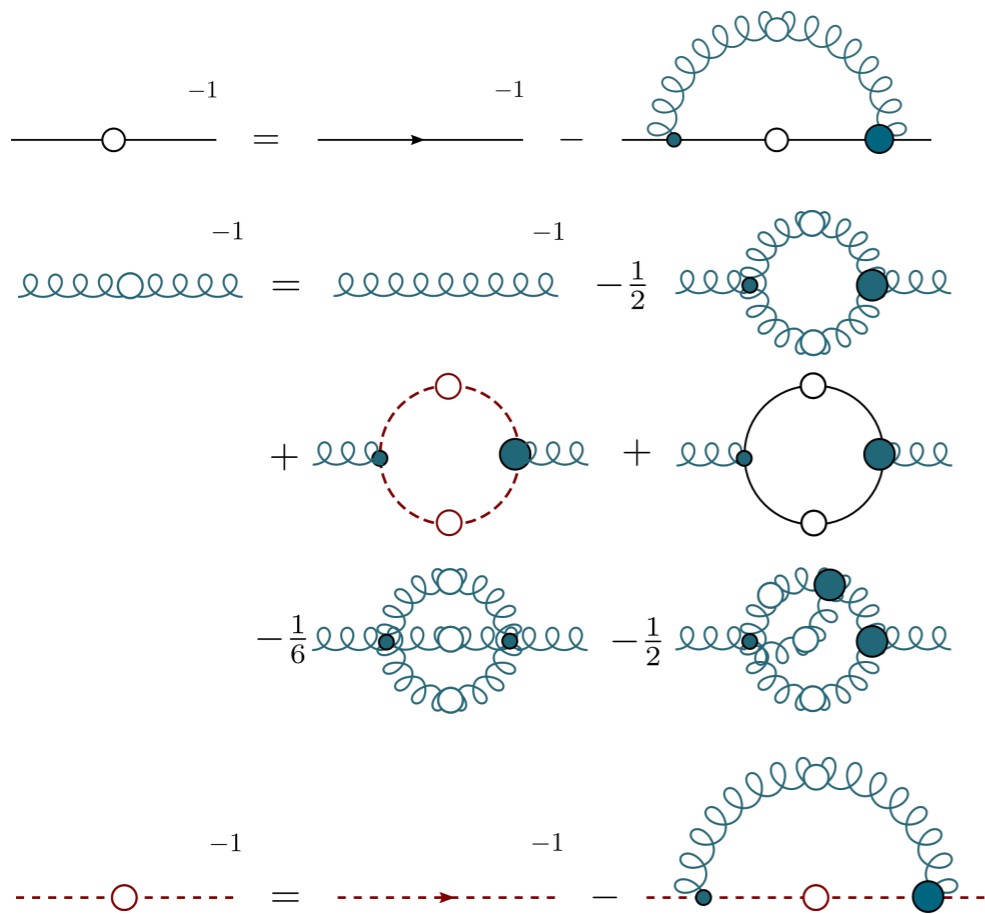
- valuable for exploratory studies
- not good enough for quantitative and/or systematic studies at finite T, μ

III) Solve tower of DSEs: (next slide)

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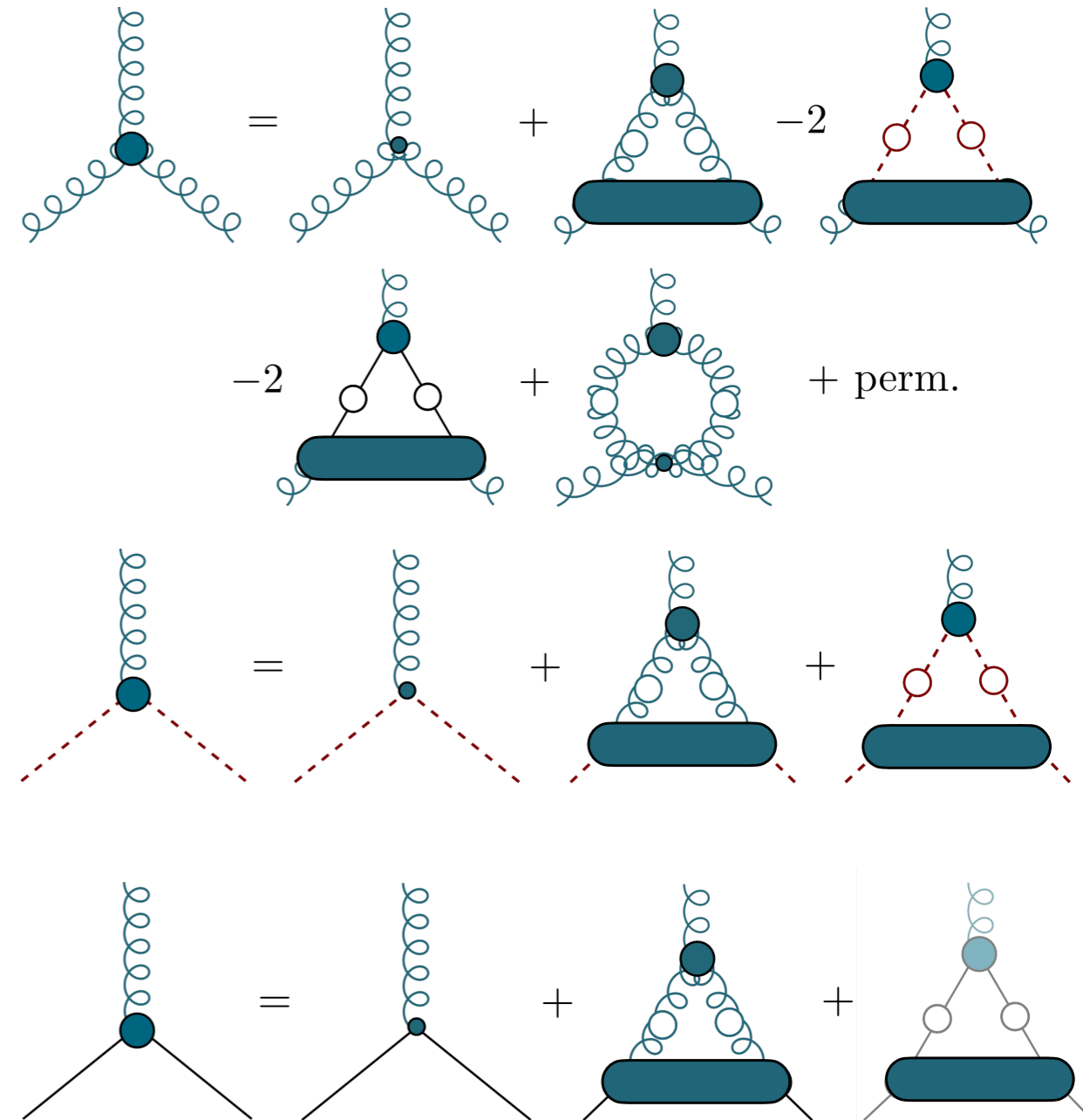
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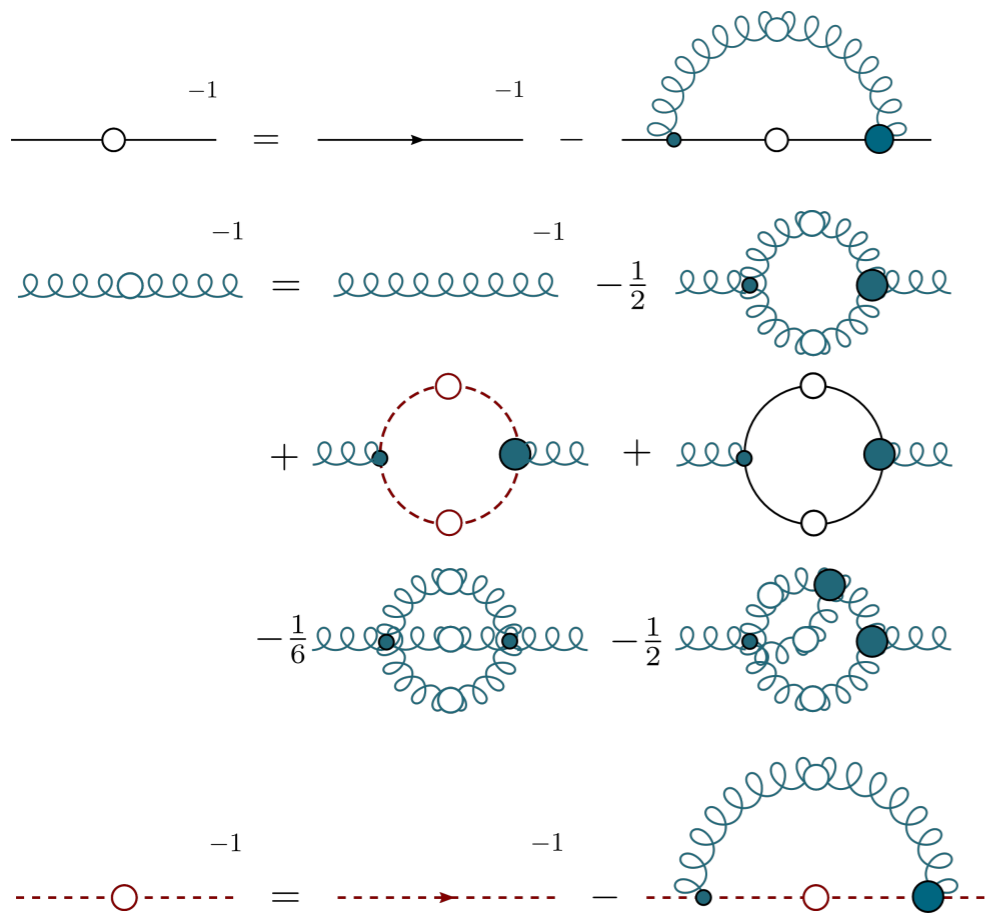


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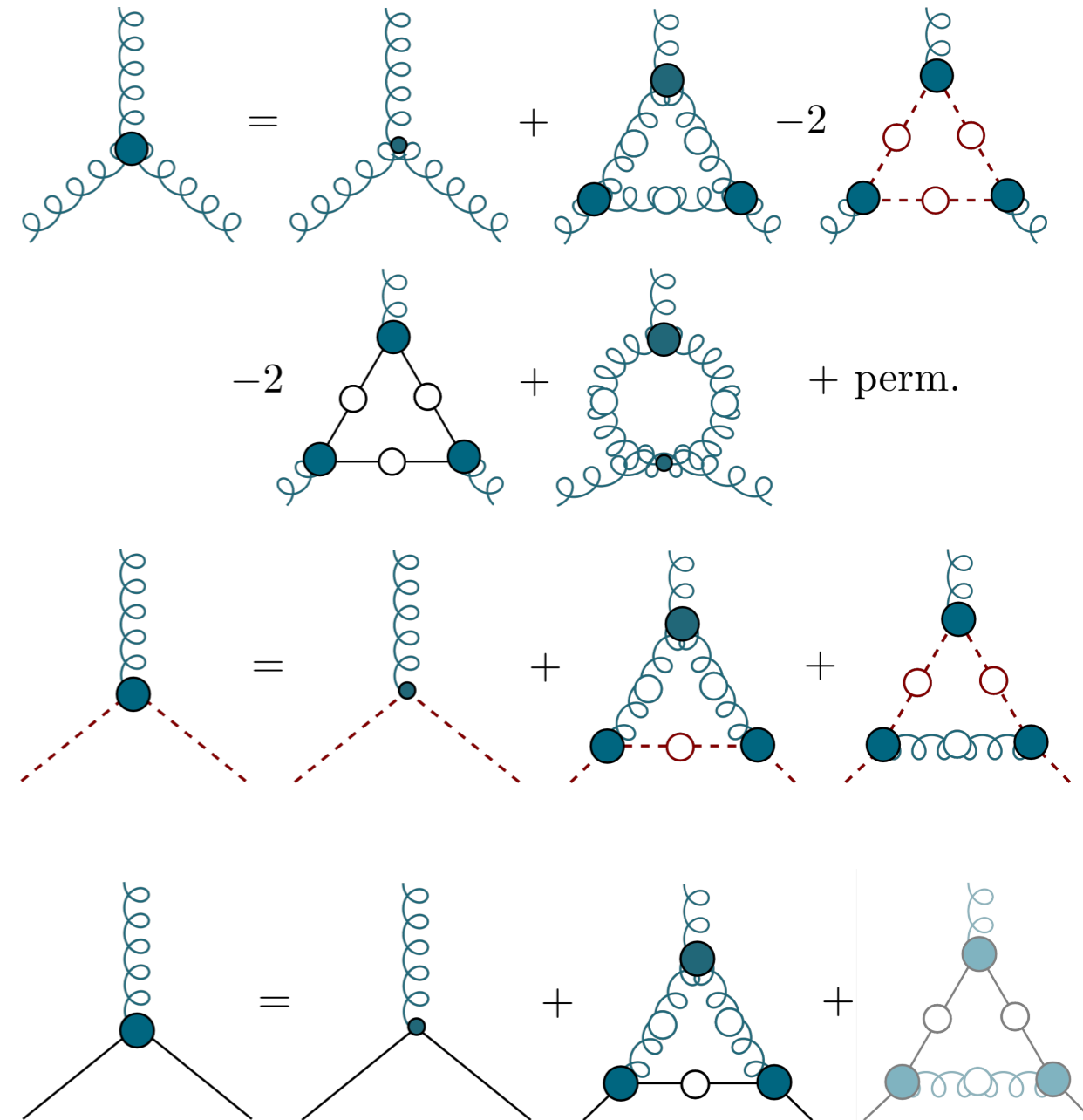
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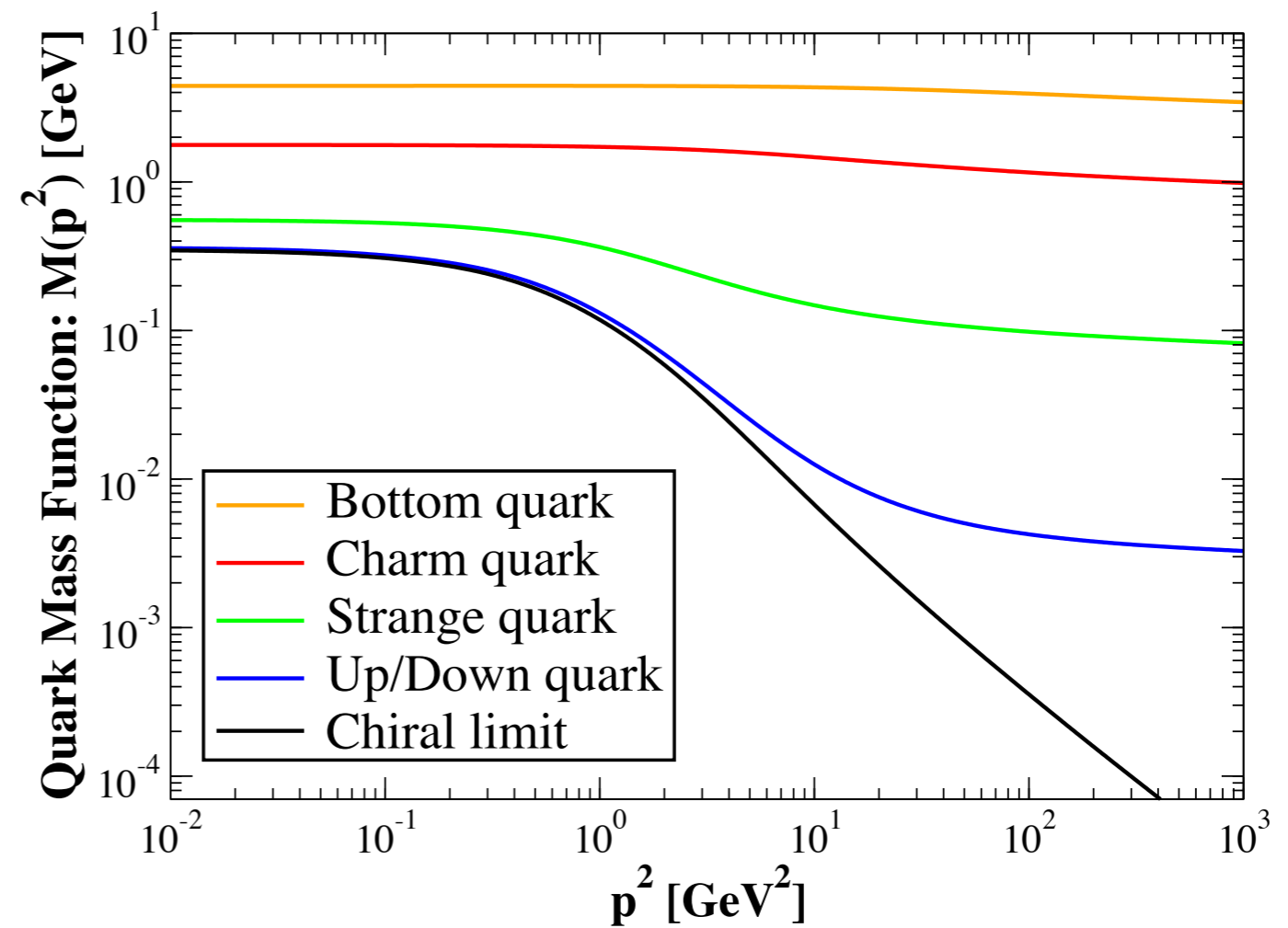
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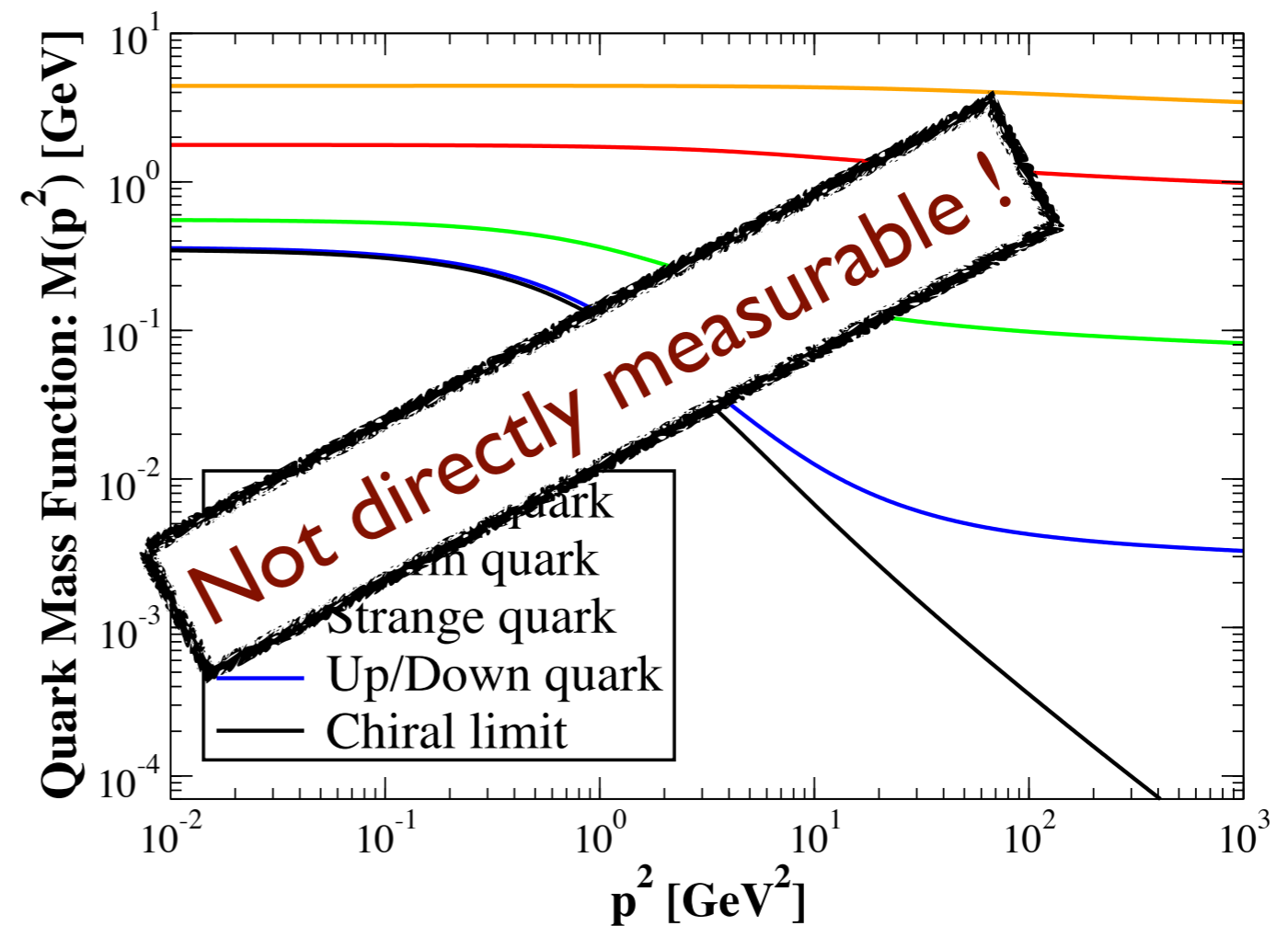
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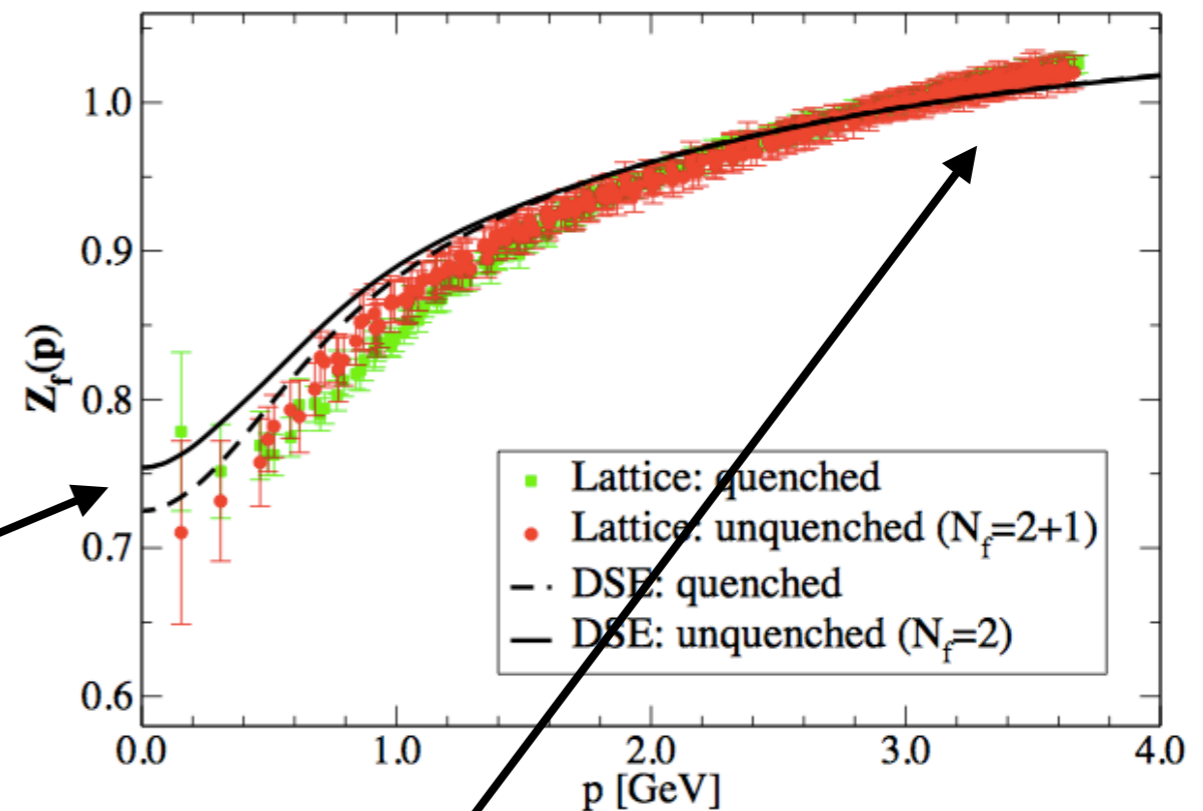
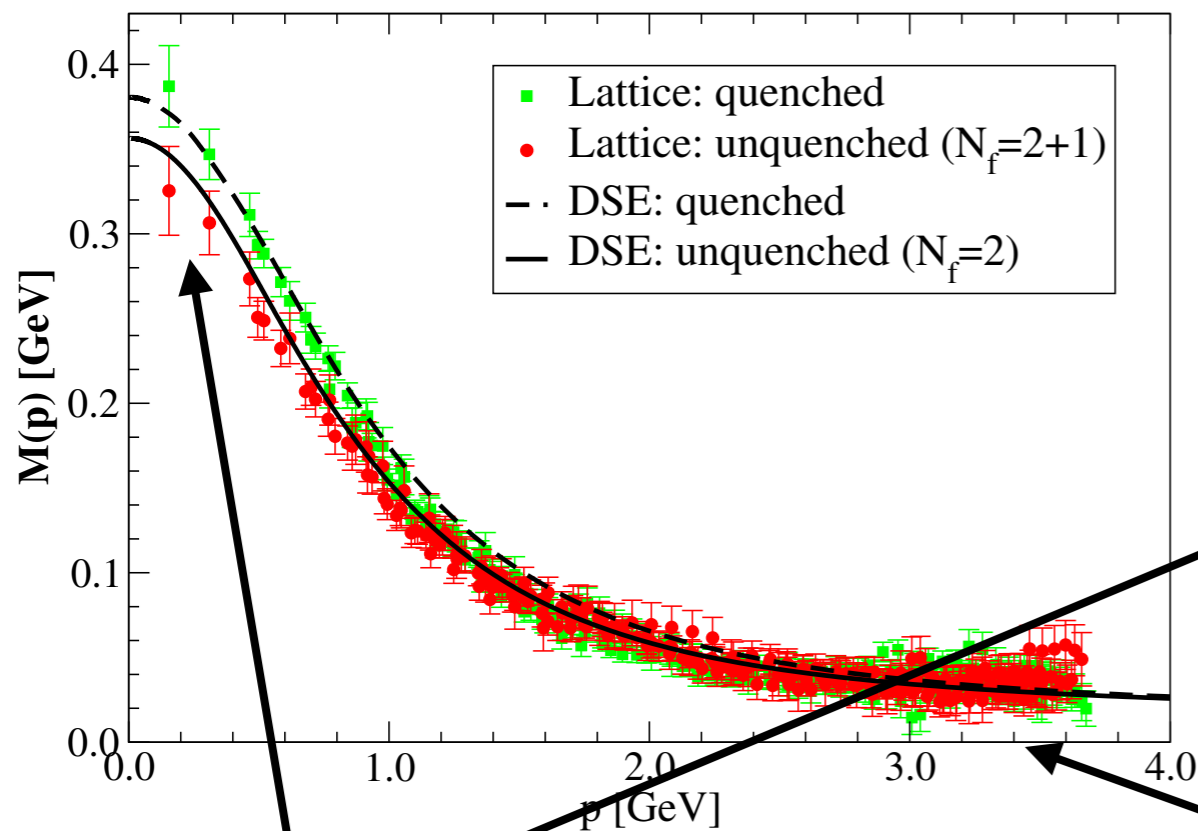
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Quark dressing - comparison with lattice

Beyond rainbow-ladder:

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DSE: CF, Nickel, Williams, EPJ C 60 (2009) 47
Lattice: P. O. Bowman, et al PRD 71 (2005) 054507

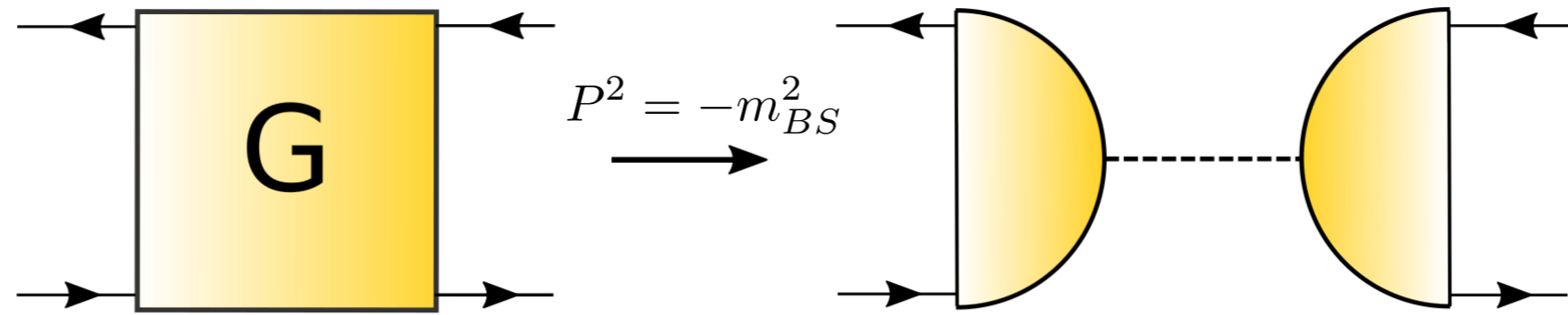


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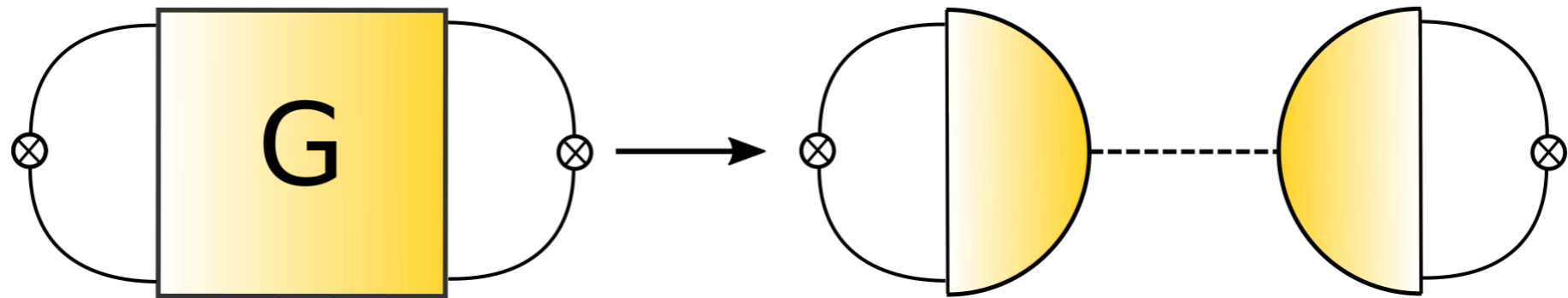
‘current quark’:
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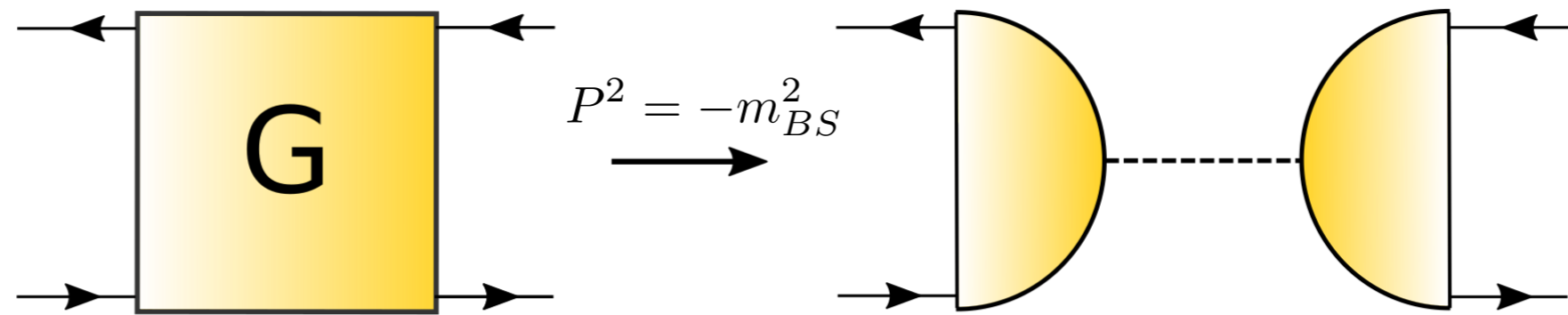


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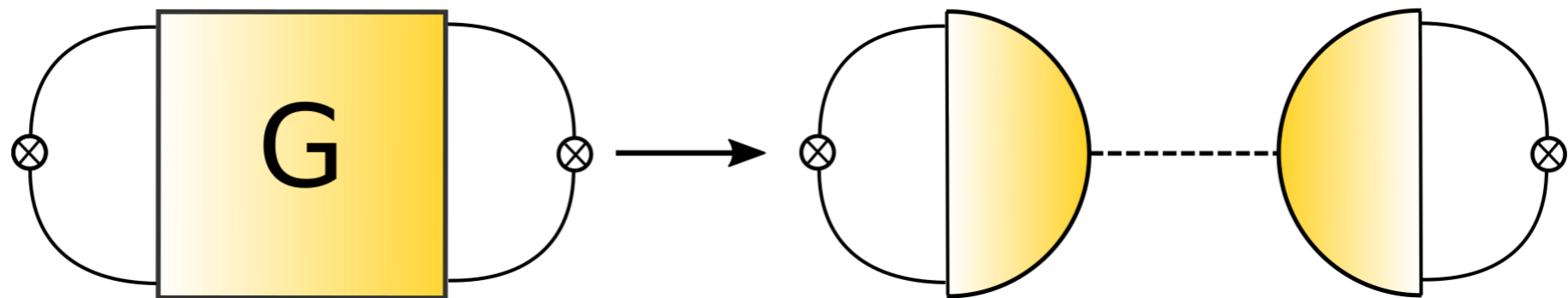


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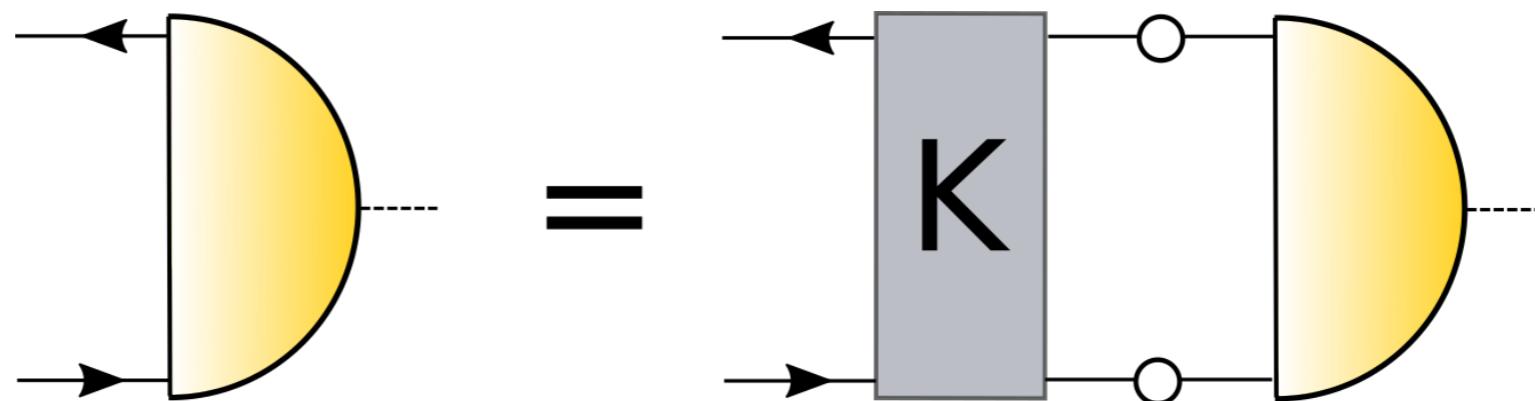
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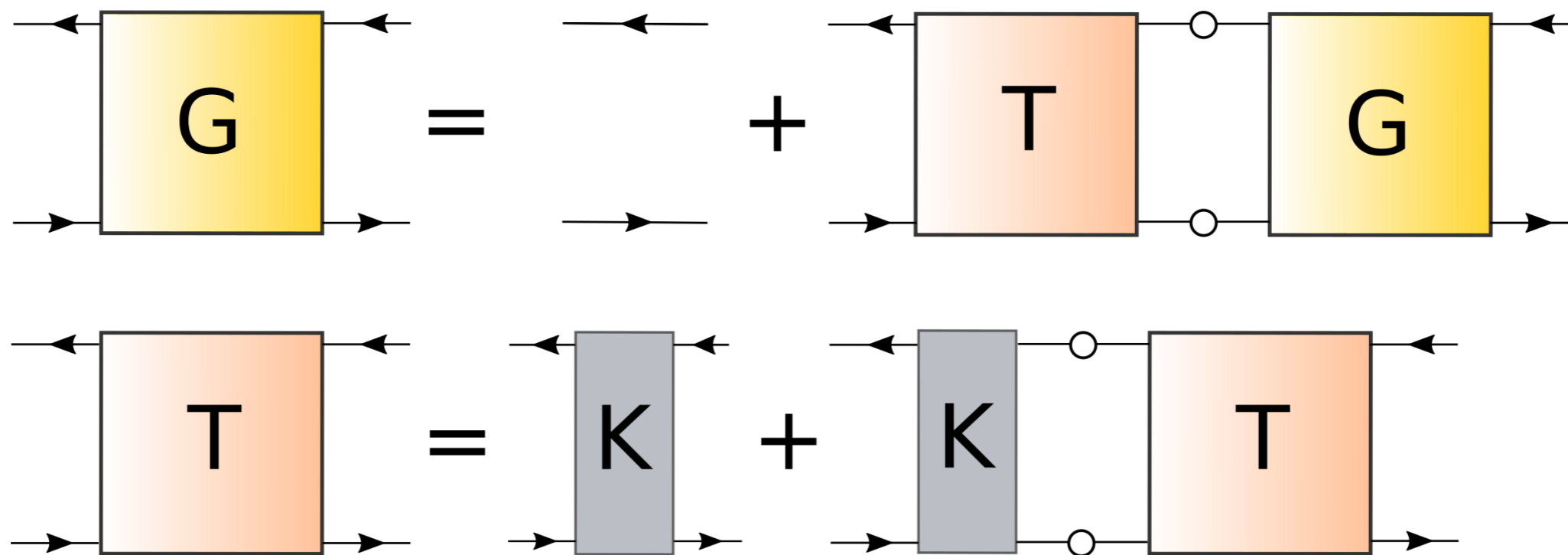
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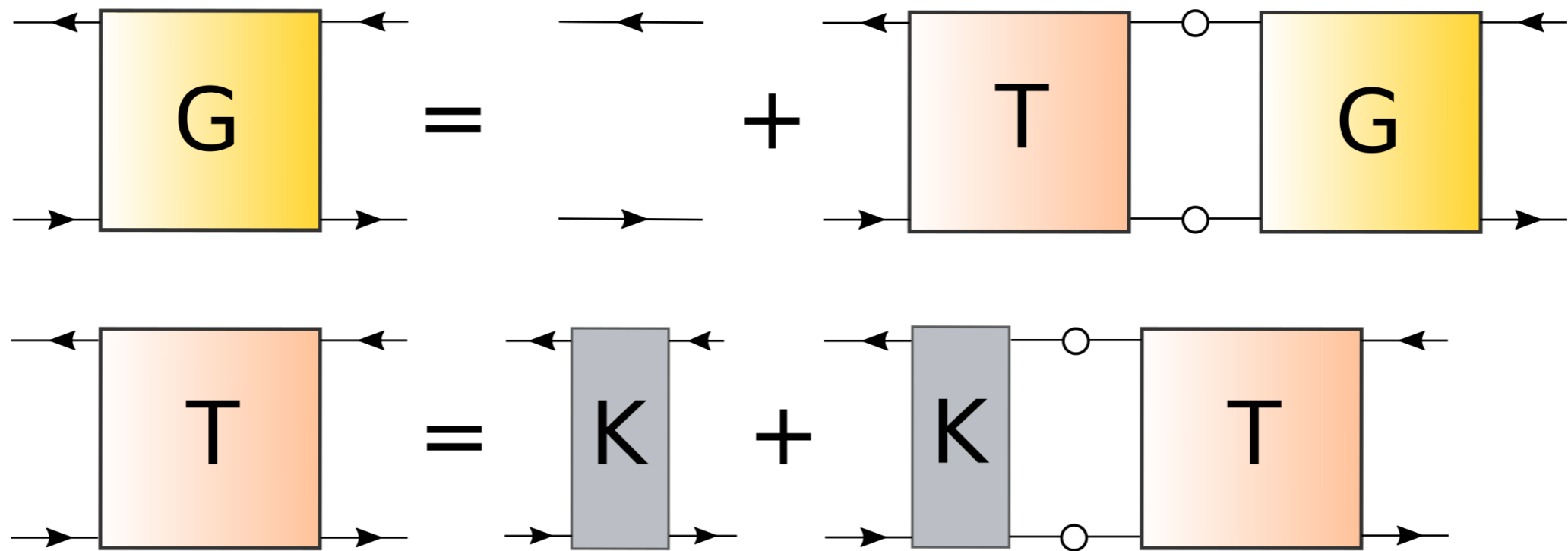
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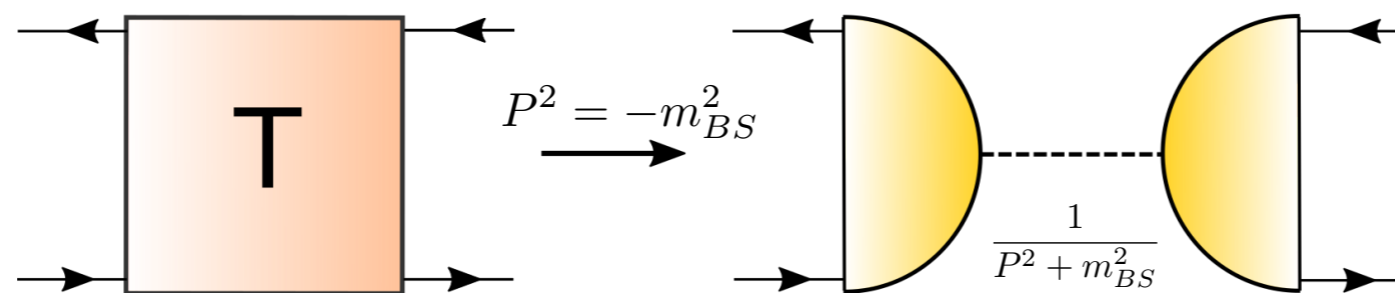
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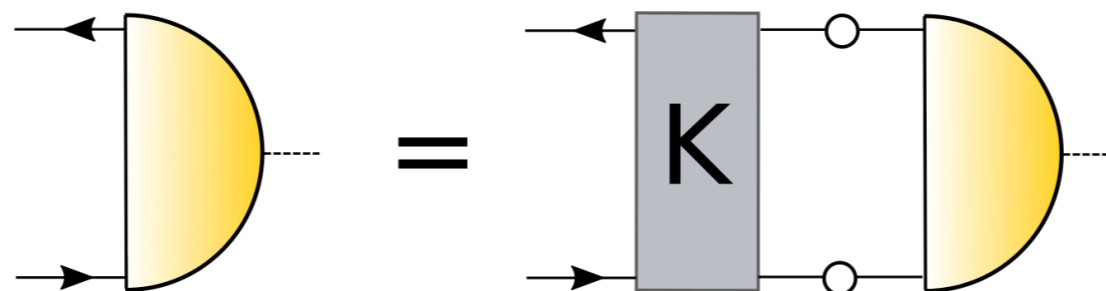
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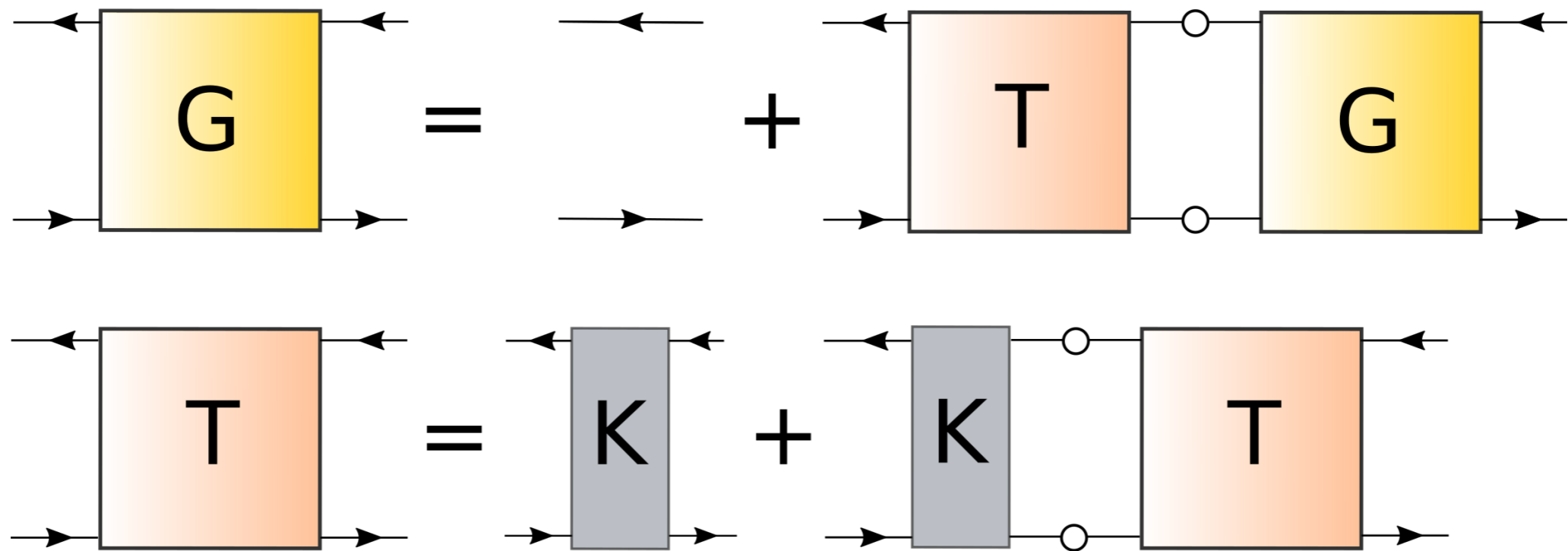
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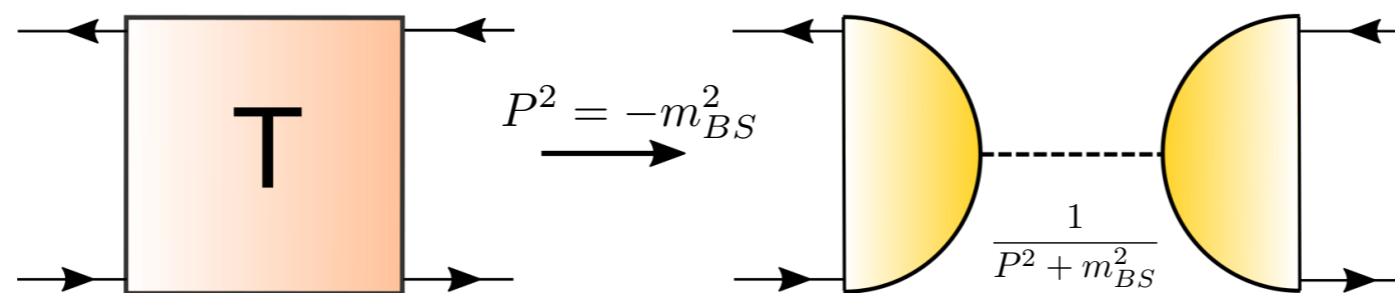
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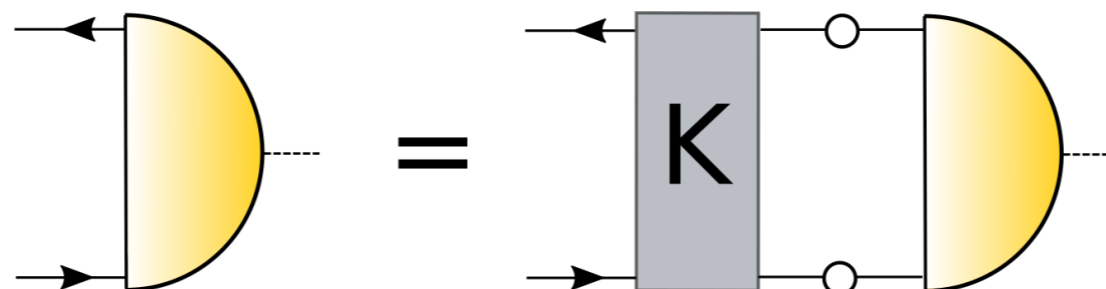


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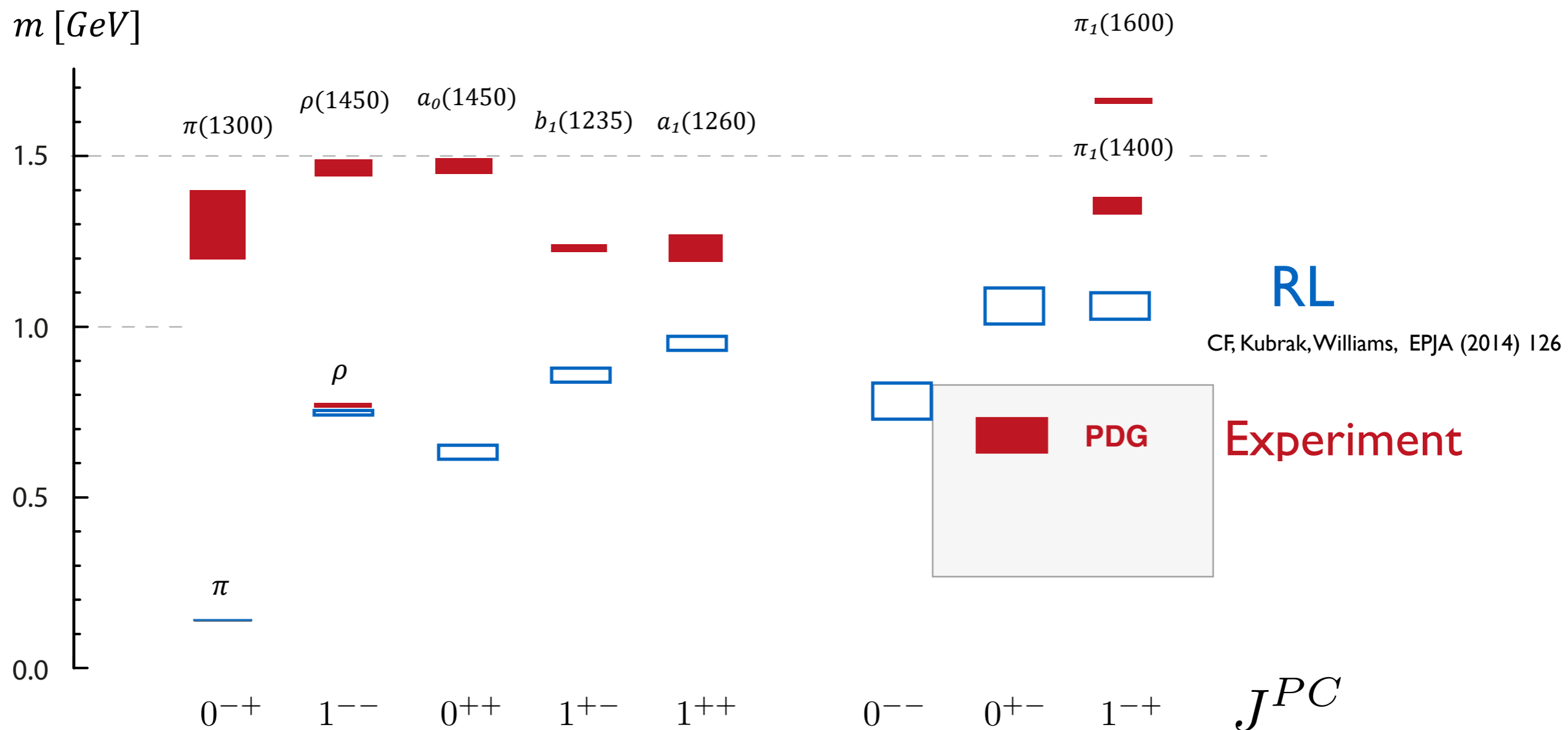


BS-wave functions = residue of bound state pole

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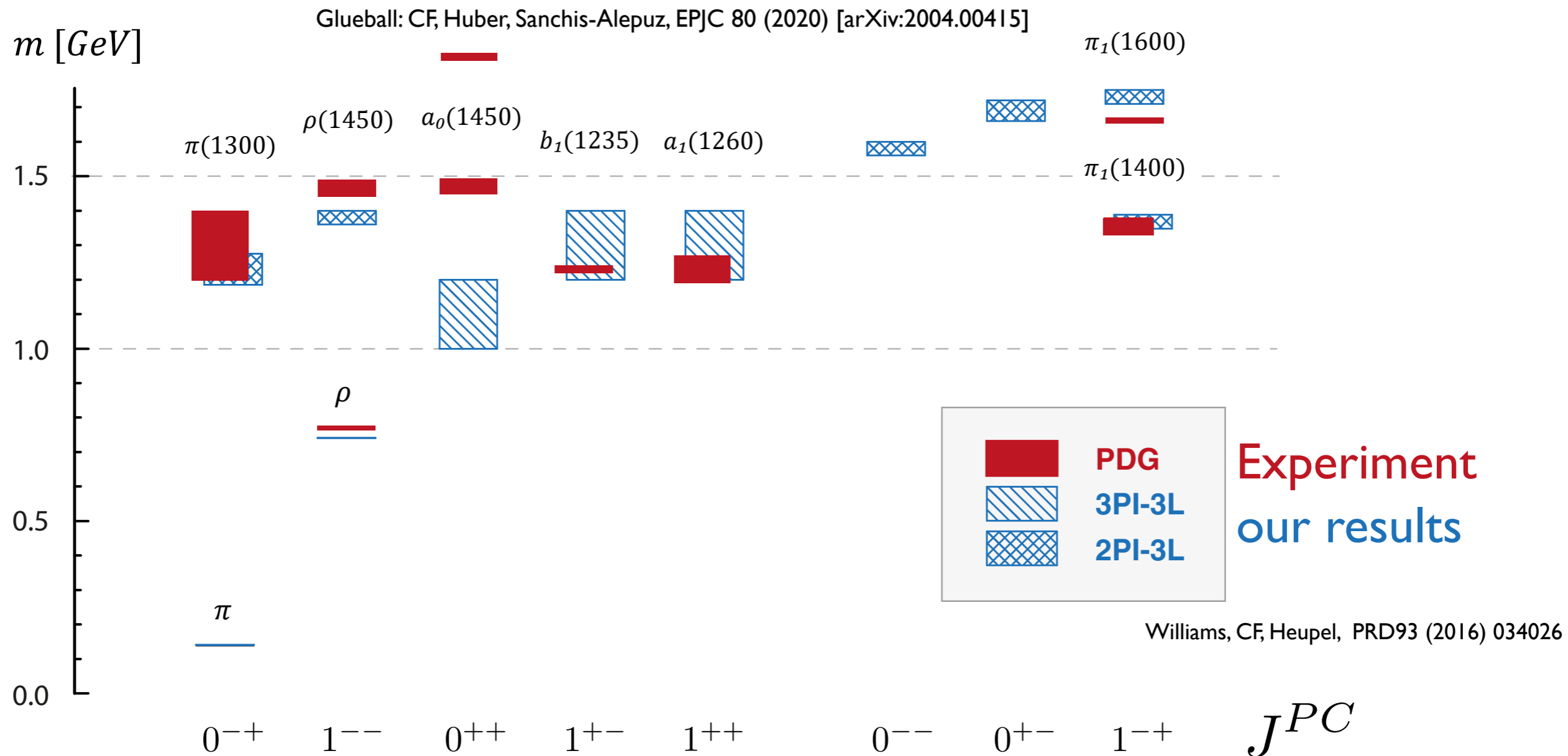


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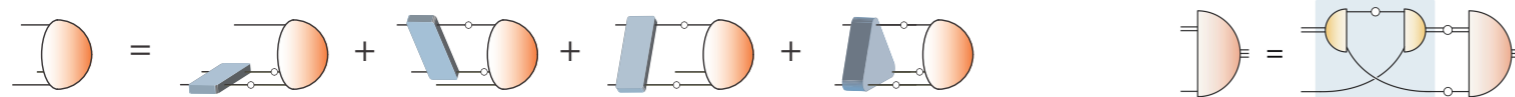
- good channels (ground state): 0^{-+} , 1^{-}
- acceptable channels (ground state) : 2^{++} , 3^{-} , ...
- clear deficiencies in other channels and excited states

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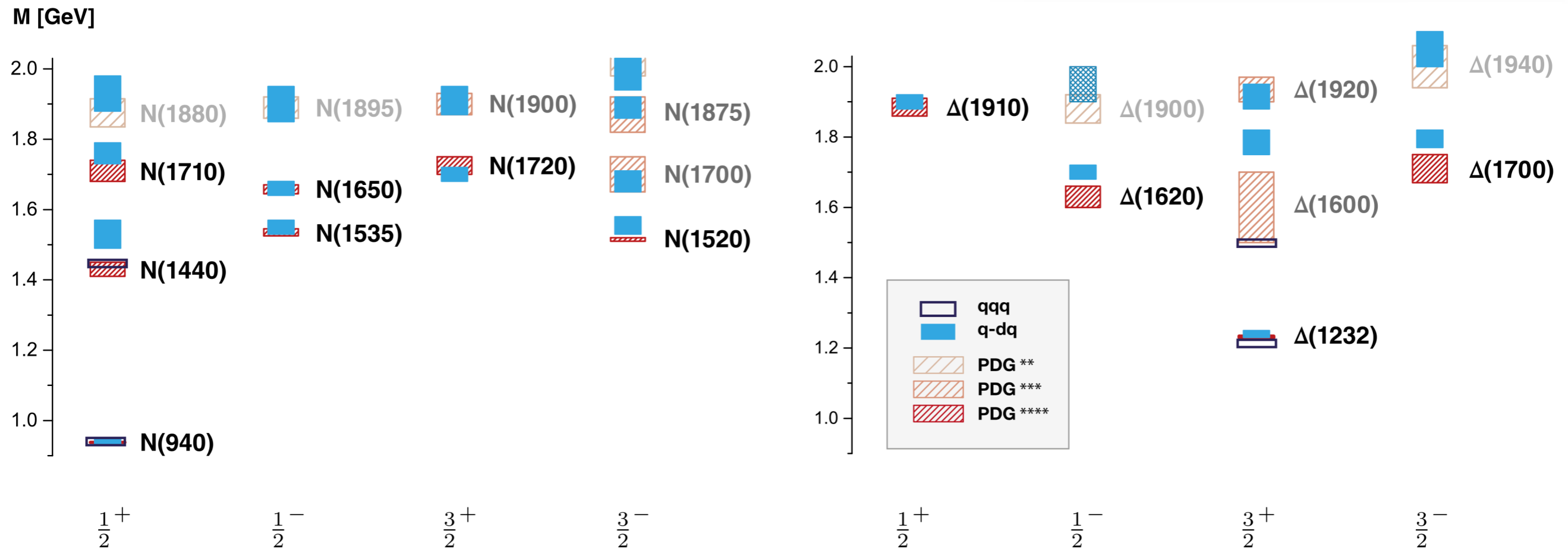


- good agreement with experiment in most channels
- special channels:
 - pseudoscalar 0^{-+} : (pseudo-) Goldstone bosons
 - scalar 0^{++} : complicated channel...

Light baryon spectrum:



3 parameters + $m_{u,d,s}$
(all fixed in meson sector)



Eichmann, CF, Sanchis-Alepuz, PRD 94 (2016) [1607.05748]
Eichmann, CF, Few Body Syst. 60 (2019) no.1, 2

- spectrum in one to one agreement with experiment
- correct level ordering (without coupled channel effects...)

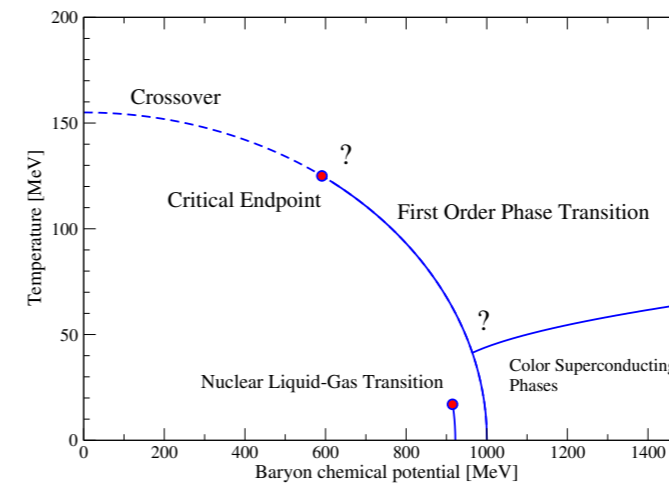


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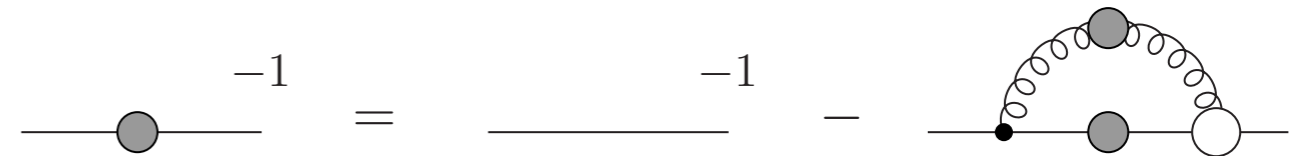
The QCD phase diagram with functional methods (part 2)

Review: CF, PPNP 105 (2019) [1810.12938]

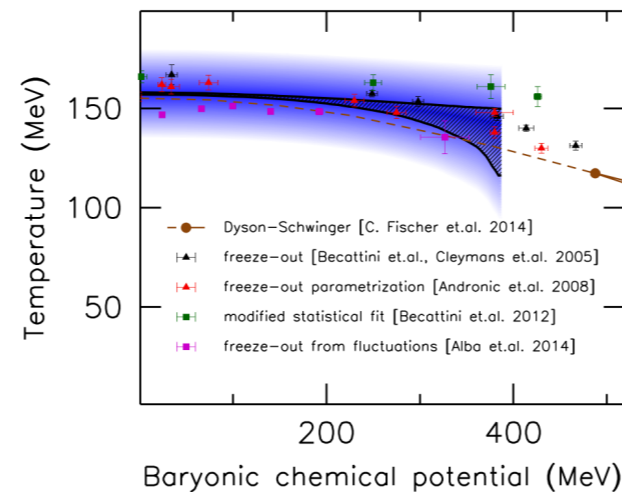
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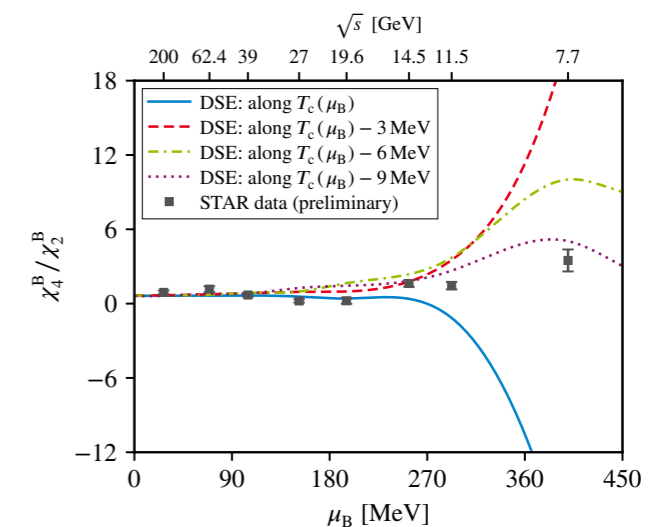
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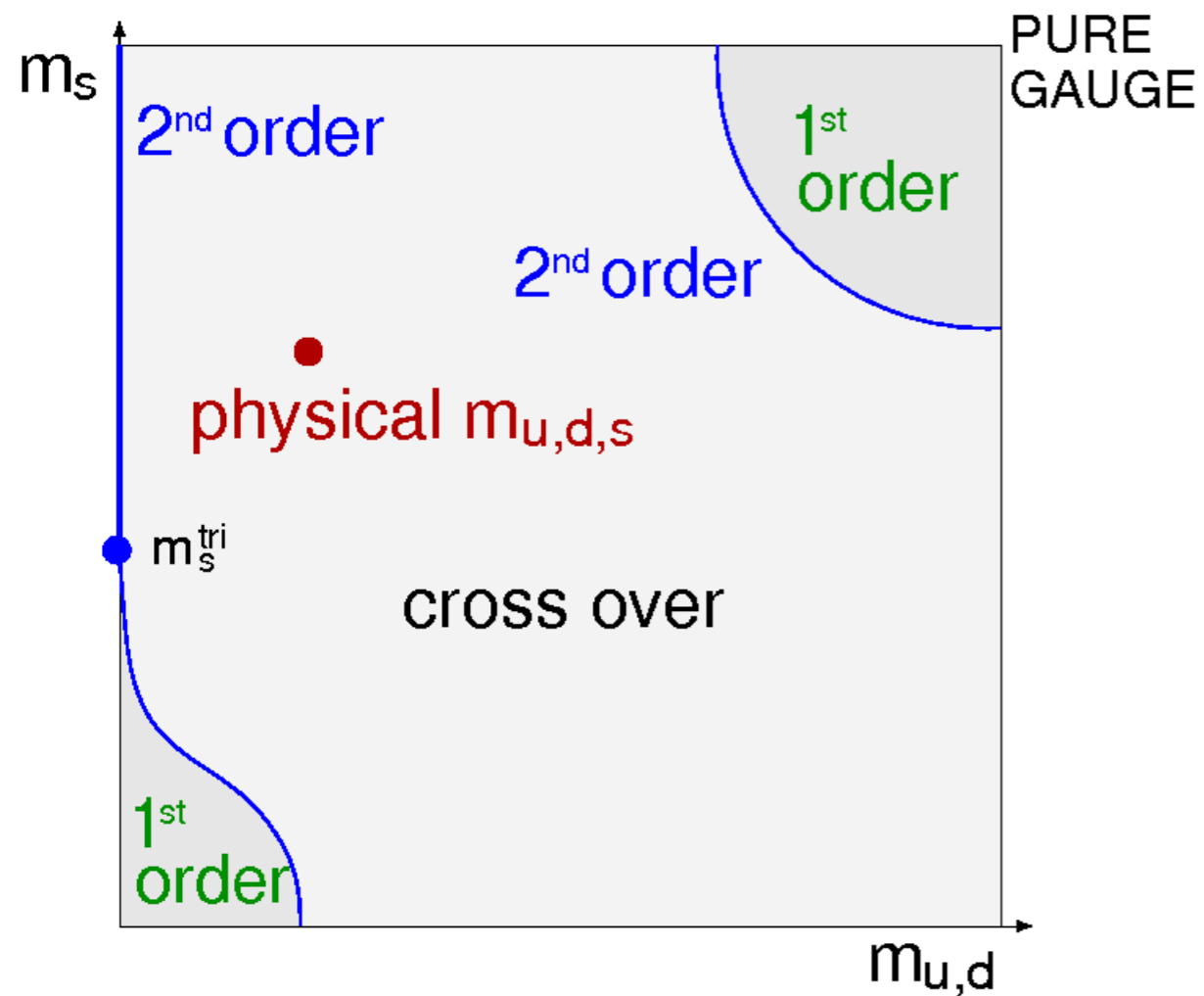
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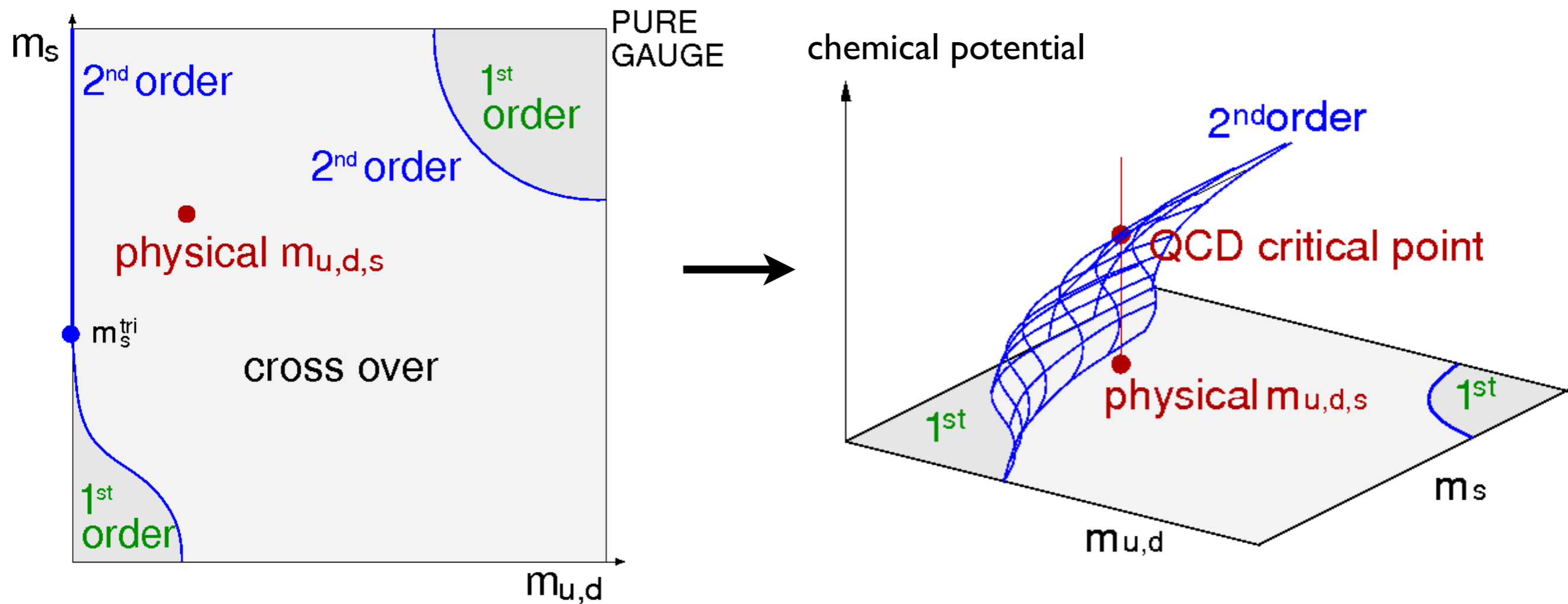
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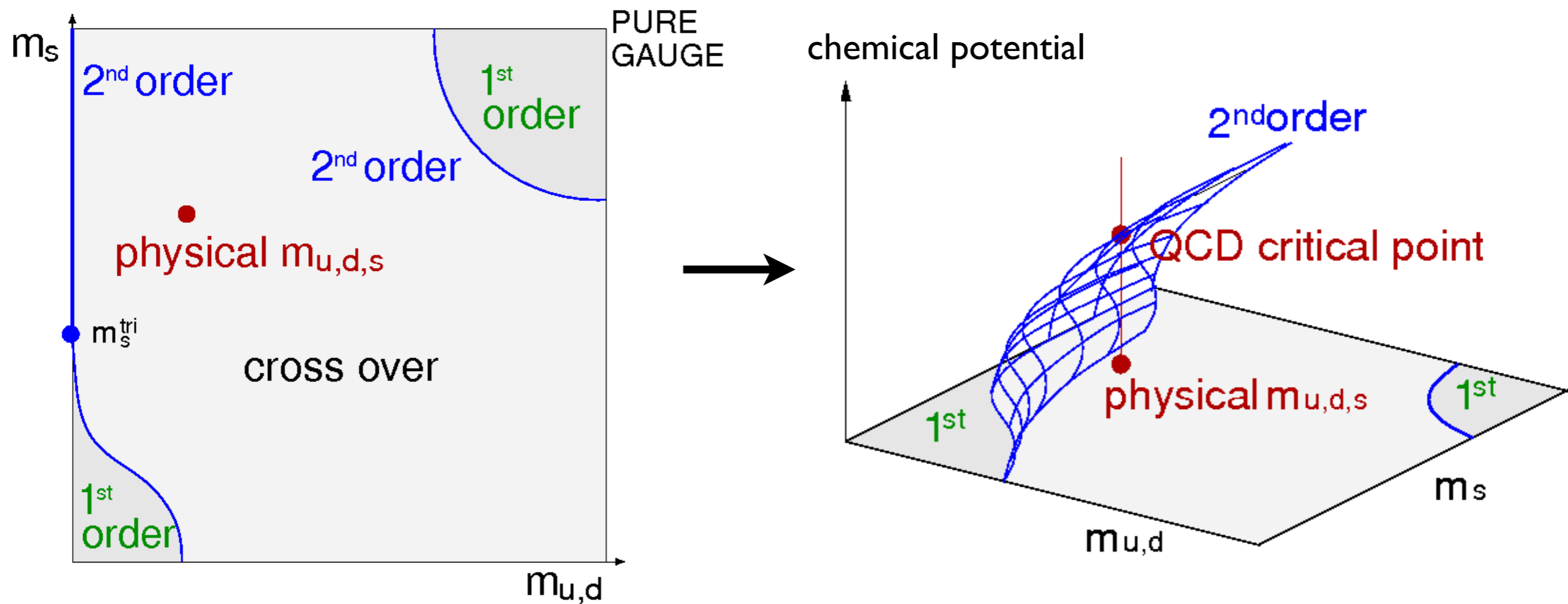
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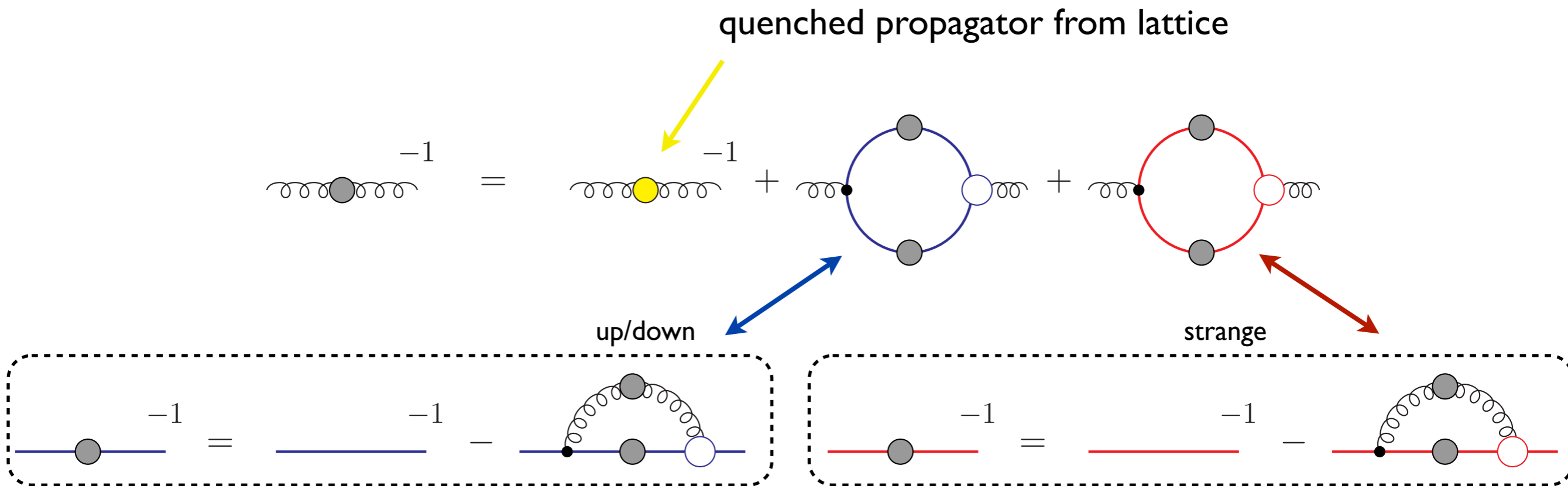


- Lattice-QCD
 - present: extrapolation
 - future: exact methods ?
- DSE/FRG
 - hardly high precision; typical errors 5-10%

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$N_f=2+1$ -QCD with DSEs

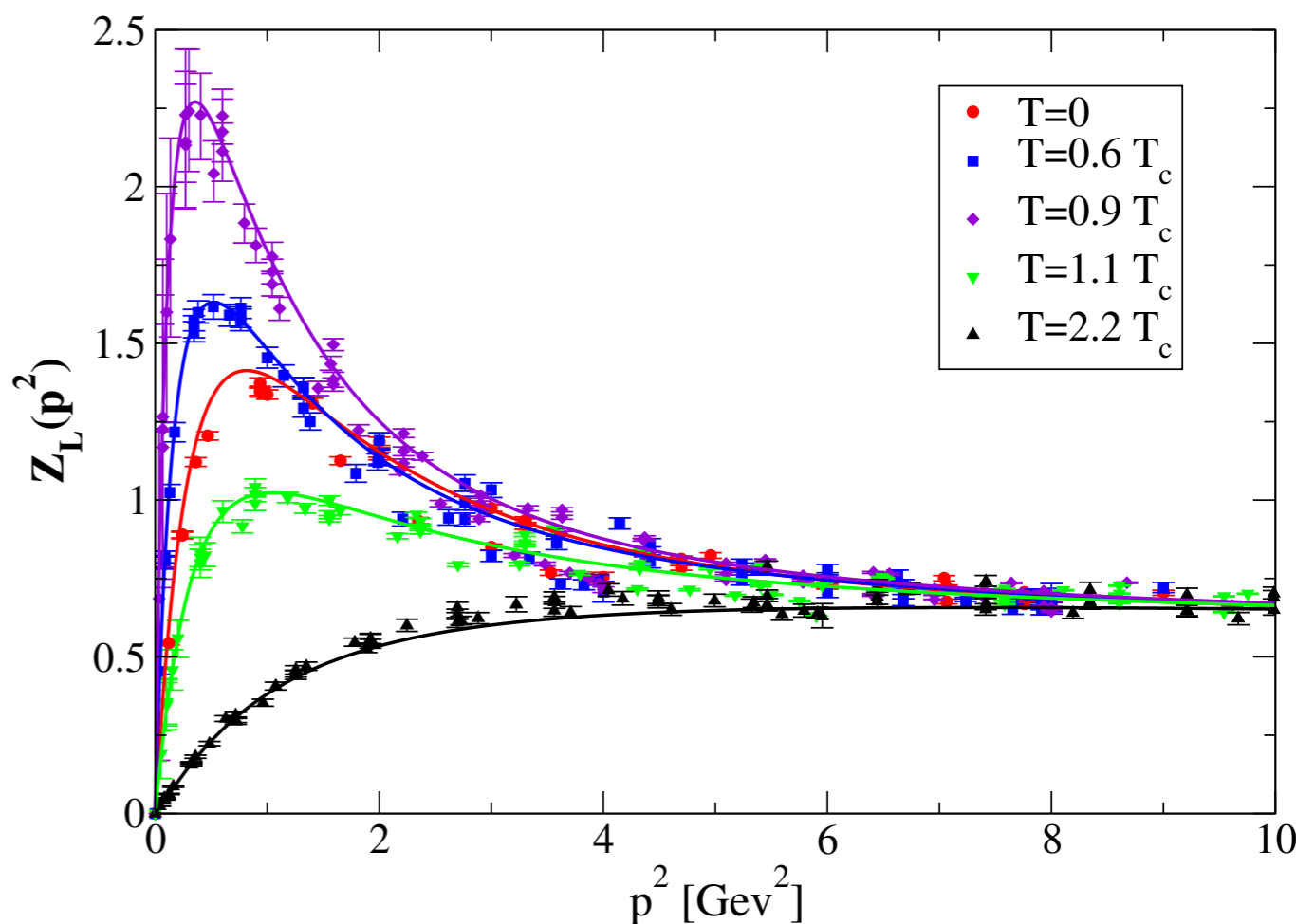
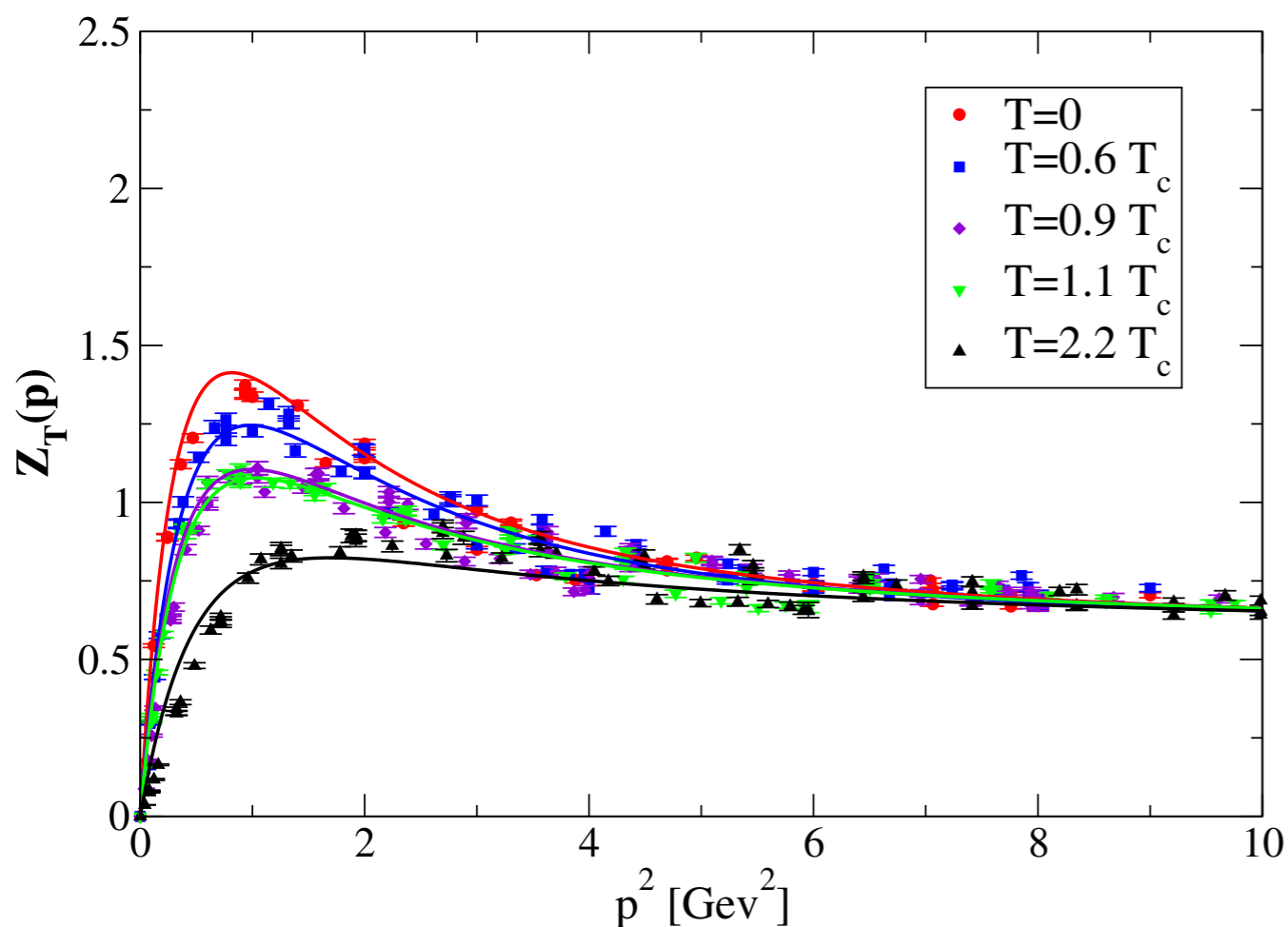


$$S^{-1}(\omega_p, \vec{p}) = i\vec{p} A(\omega_p, \vec{p}) + i\gamma_4 \omega_p C(\omega_p, \vec{p}) + B(\omega_p, \vec{p})$$

- quenched: without quark-loop
- $N_f=2$: isospin symmetry $m_{u/d}$ fixed by m_π
- $N_f=2+1$: coupled system of 2+3+3 equations
- Vertex: ansatz built along STI and known UV/IR behavior
→ T, μ, m -dependent

Glue at finite temperature ($T \neq 0$)

T-dependent gluon propagator from quenched lattice simulations:



- Crucial difference between magnetic and electric gluon
- Maximum of electric gluon near T_c

Cucchieri, Maas, Mendes, PRD 75 (2007)

CF, Maas, Mueller, EPJC 68 (2010)

Cucchieri, Mendes, PoS FACESQCD 007 (2010)

Aouane, Bornyakov, Ilgenfritz, Mitrjushkin, Muller-Preussker and Sternbeck, PRD 85 (2012) 034501

Silva, Oliveira, Bicudo, Cardoso, PRD 89 (2014) 074503

FRG: Fister, Pawłowski, arXiv:1112.5440

Approximation for Quark-Gluon interaction

- Lattice input for vertex: not yet available...
- Diagrammatics: vertex-DSE (see later...)

explicit solutions at T=0: Mitter, Pawłowski and Strodthoff, PRD 91 (2015) 054035
Williams, CF, Heupel, PRD PRD 93 (2016) 034026

- Slavnov-Taylor identity: T, μ , m-dependent vertex

$$\Gamma_\nu(q, k, p) = \tilde{Z}_3 \left(\delta_{4\nu} \gamma_4 \frac{C(k) + C(p)}{2} + \delta_{j\nu} \gamma_j \frac{A(k) + A(p)}{2} \right) \times$$
$$\times \left(\frac{d_1}{d_2 + q^2} + \frac{q^2}{\Lambda^2 + q^2} \left(\frac{\beta_0 \alpha(\mu) \ln[q^2 / \Lambda^2 + 1]}{4\pi} \right)^{2\delta} \right)$$

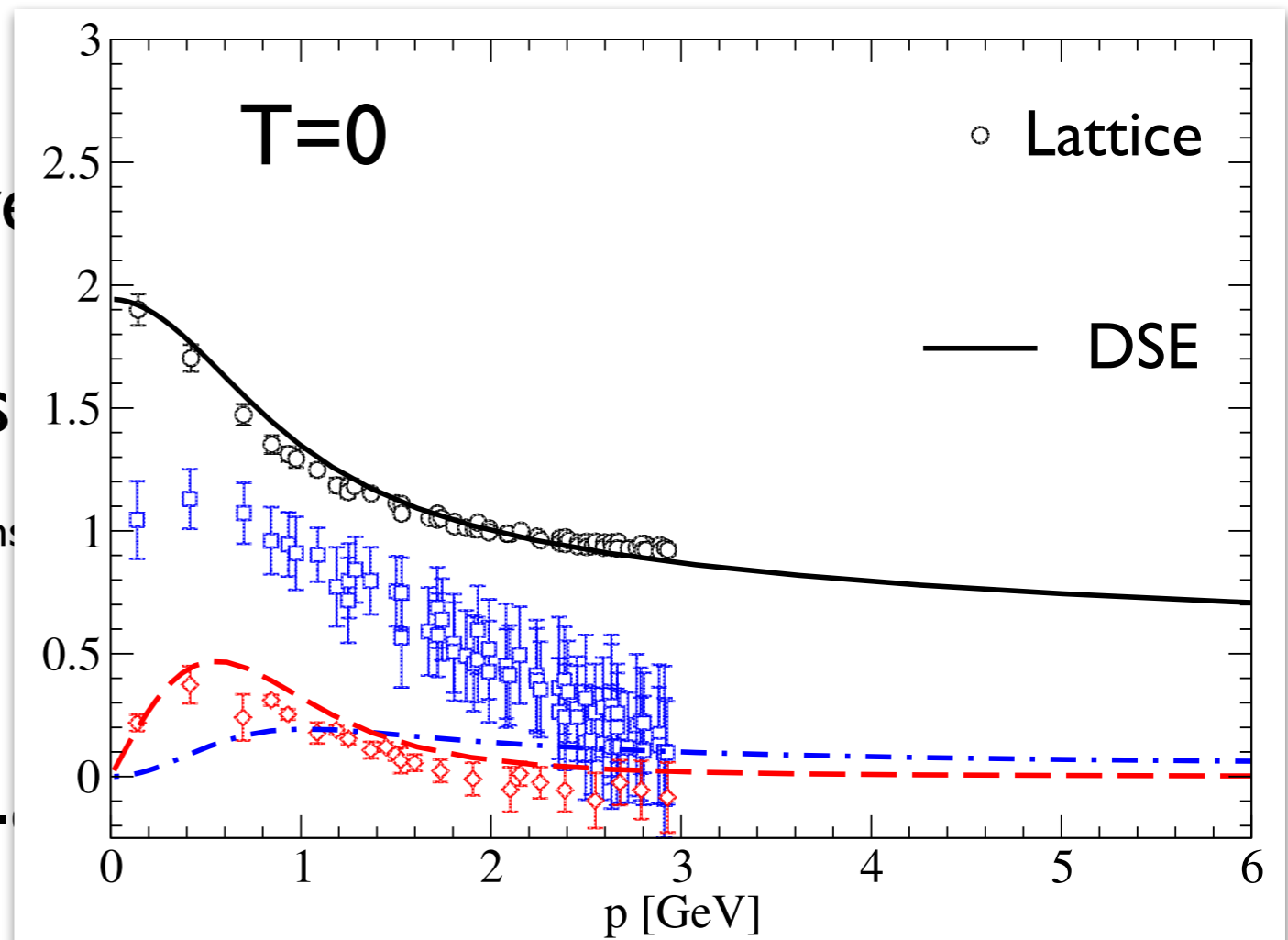
STI

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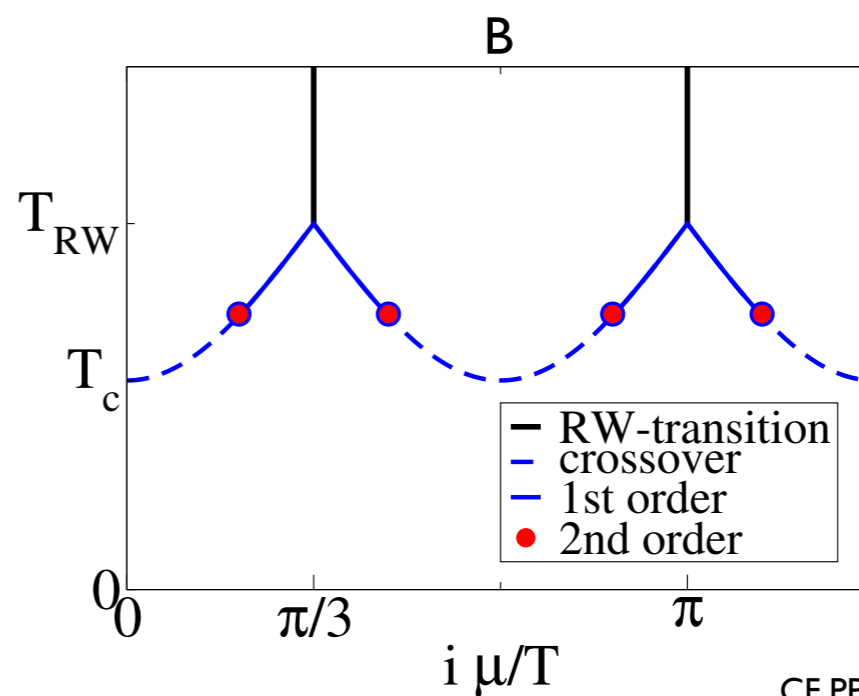
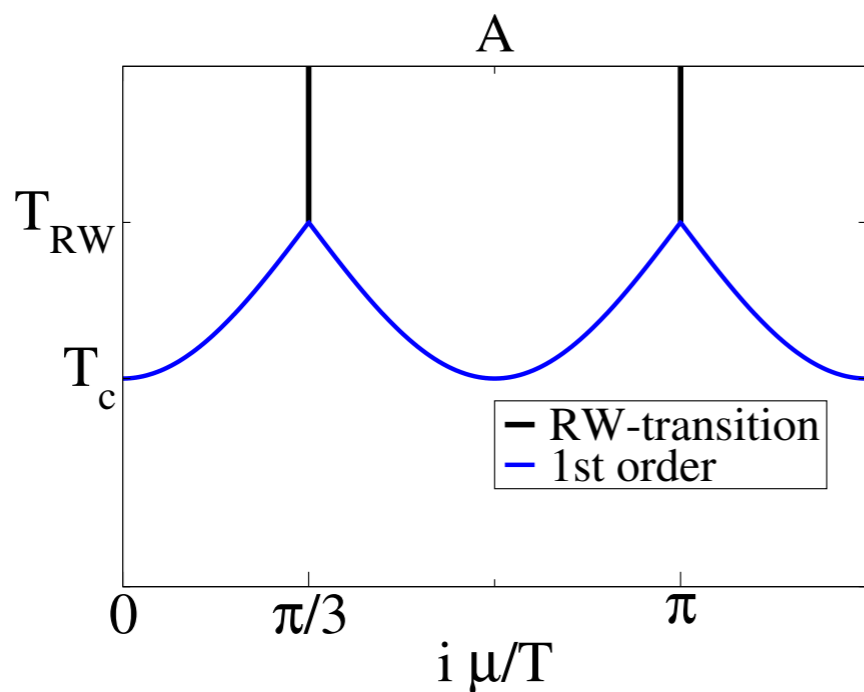
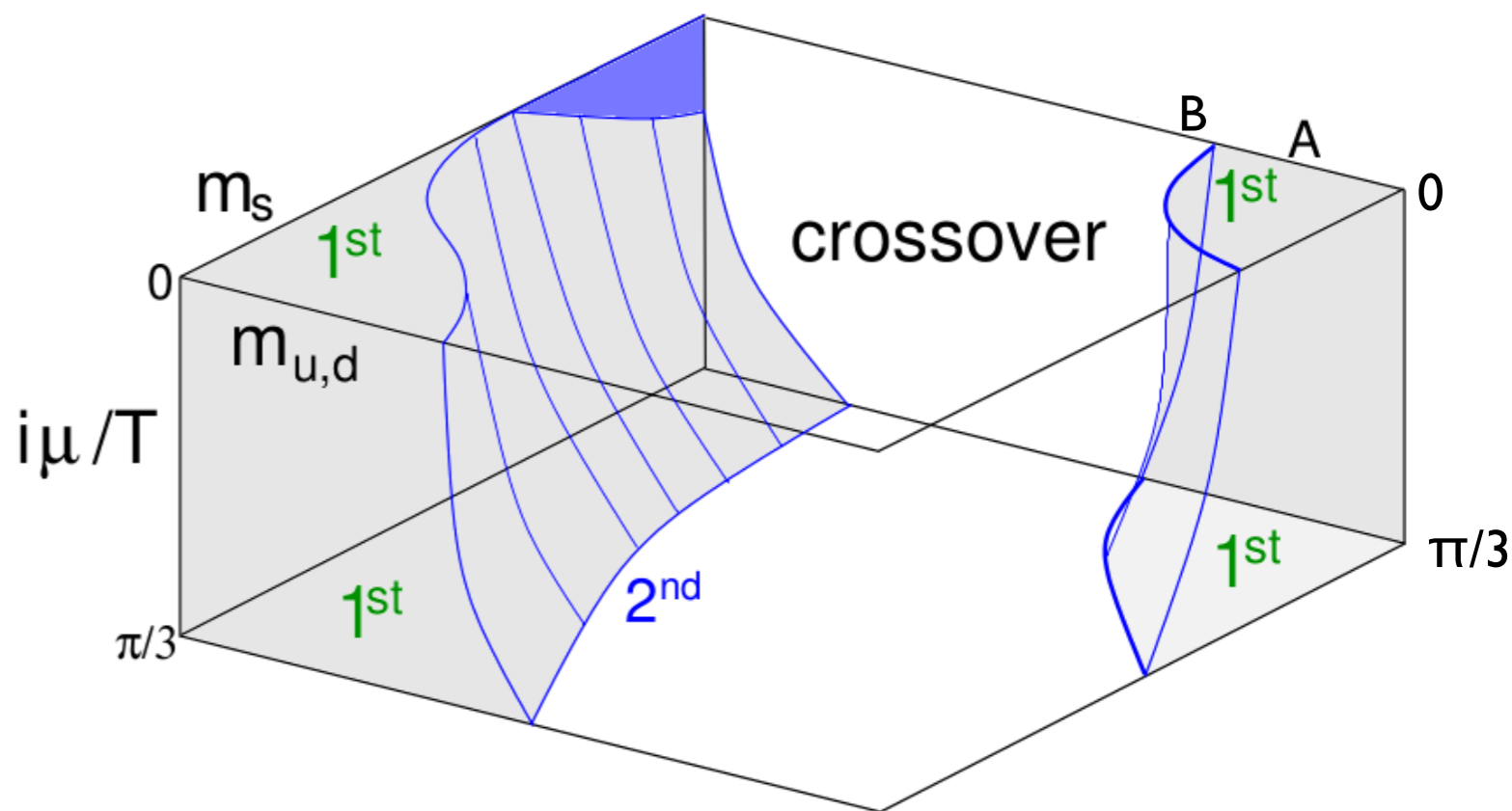
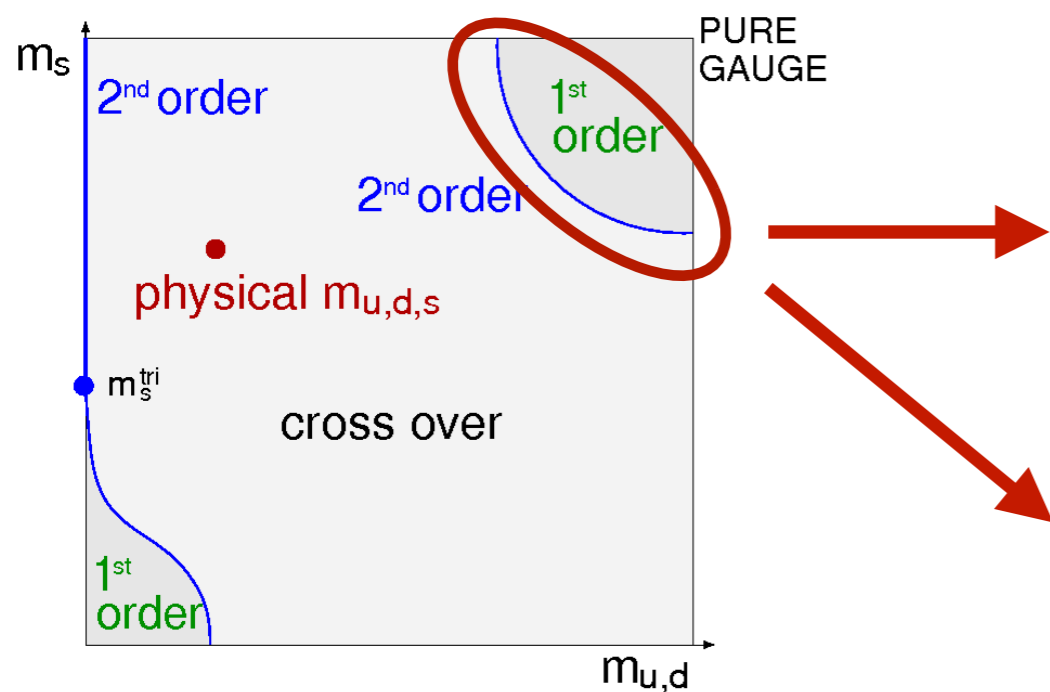


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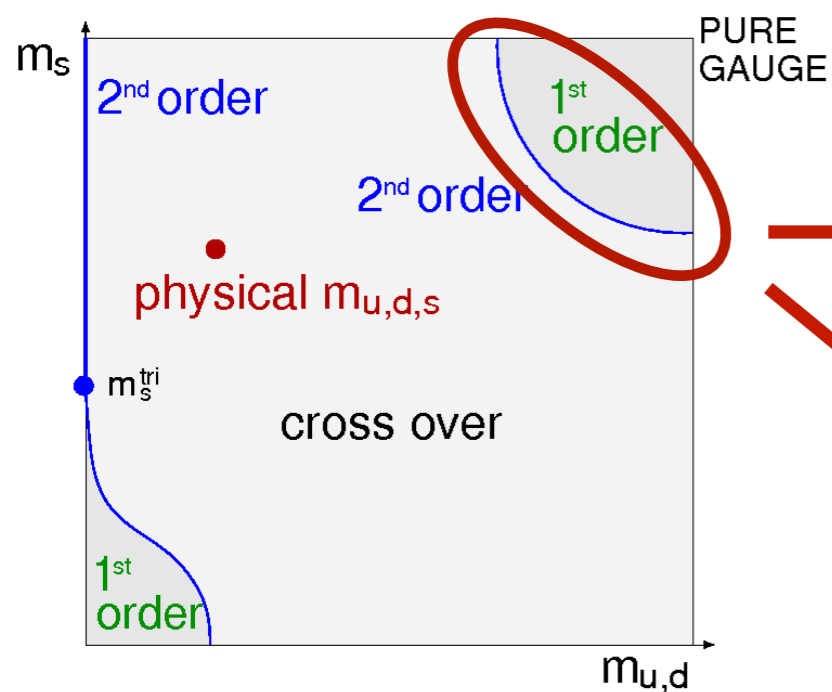
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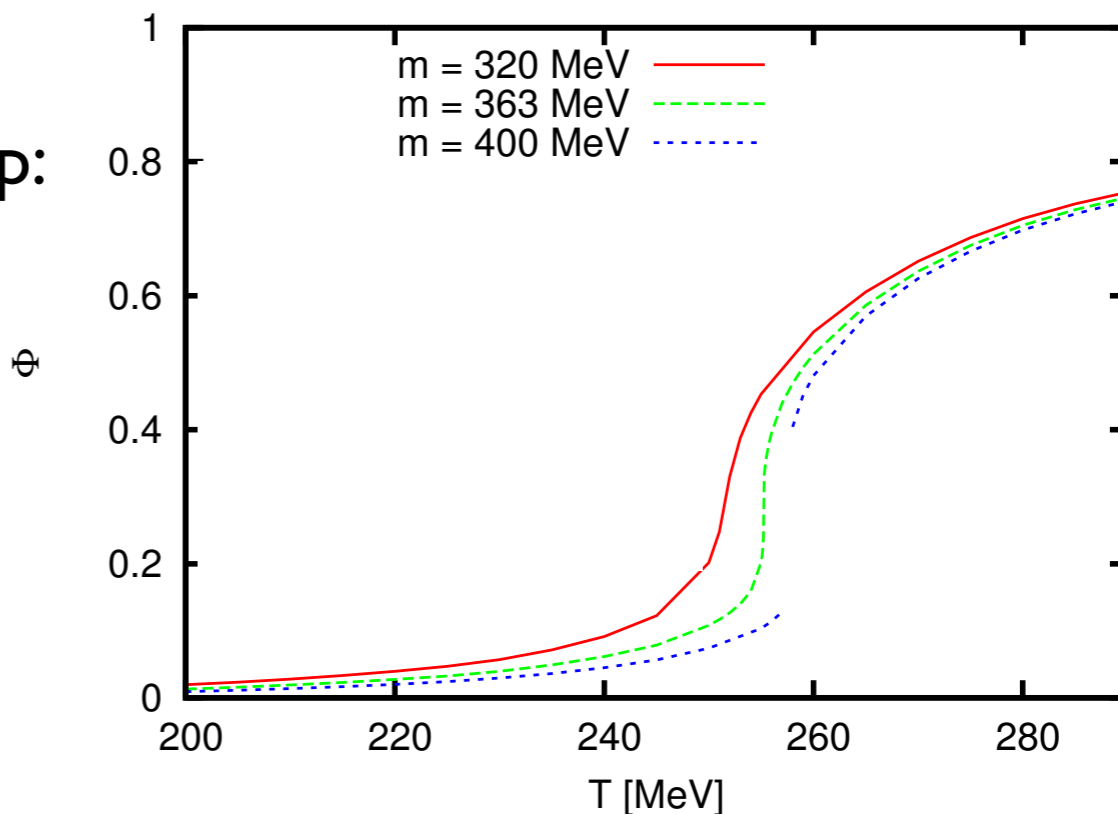


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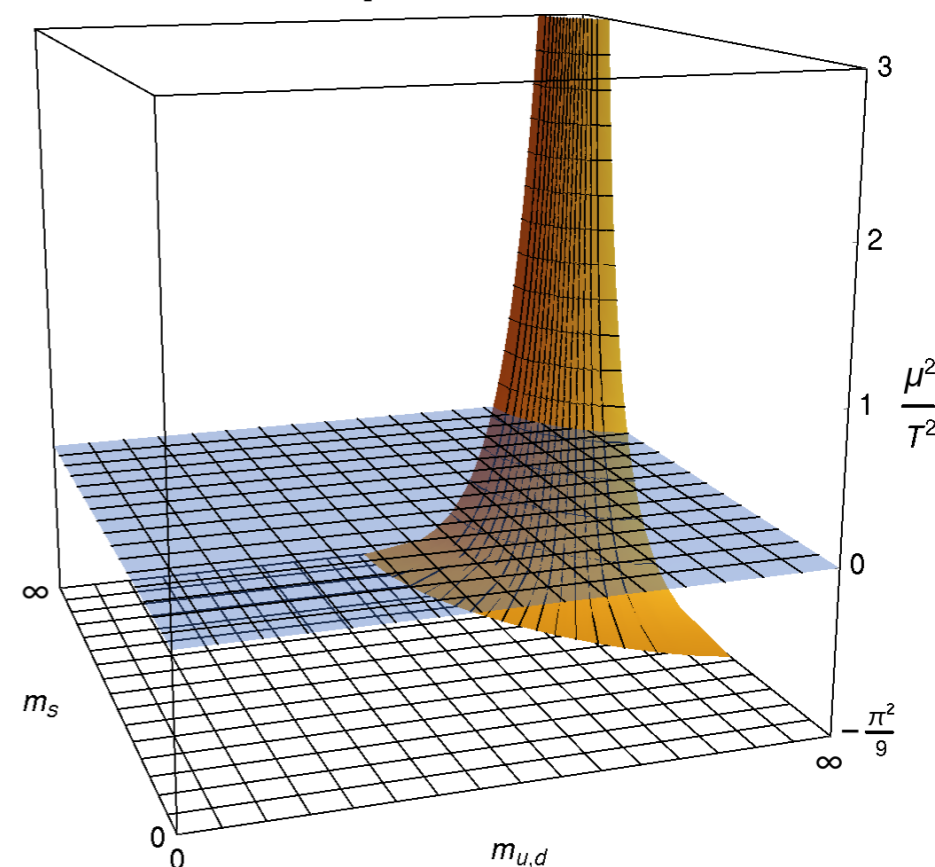
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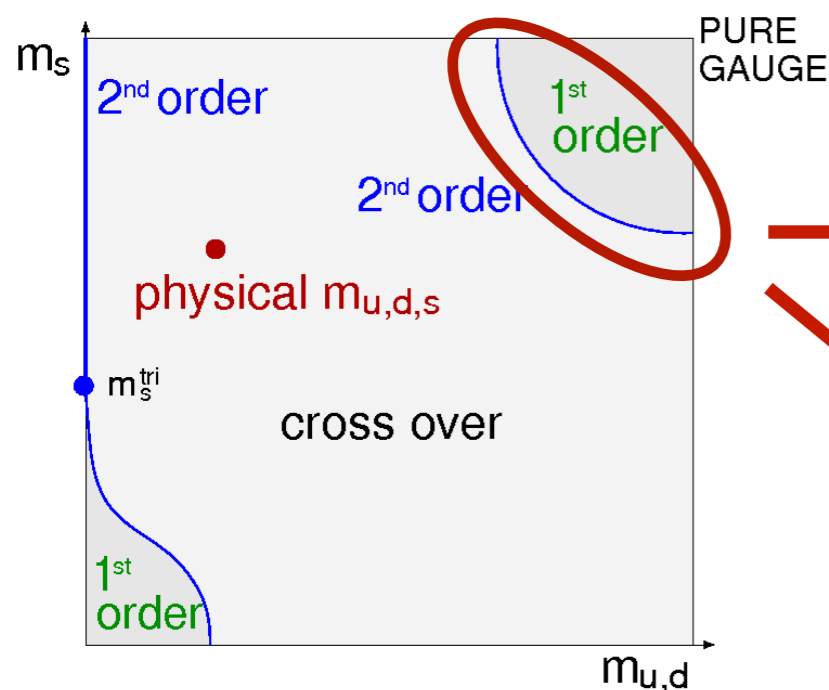
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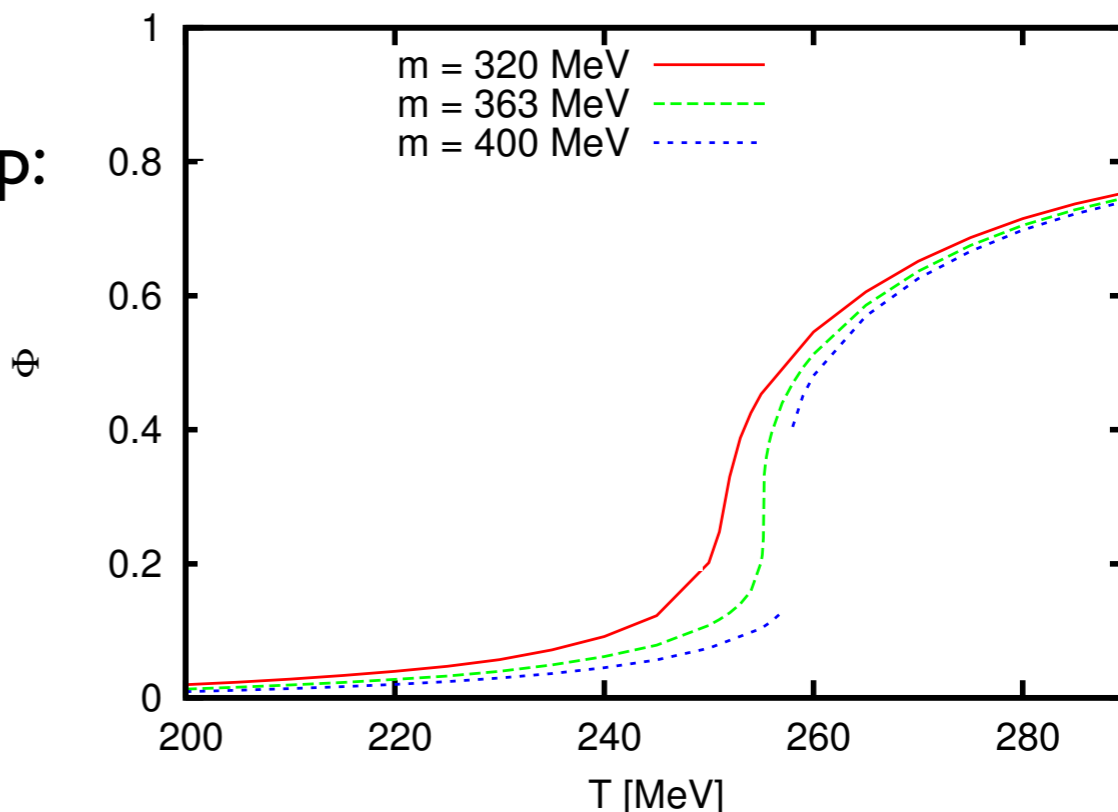
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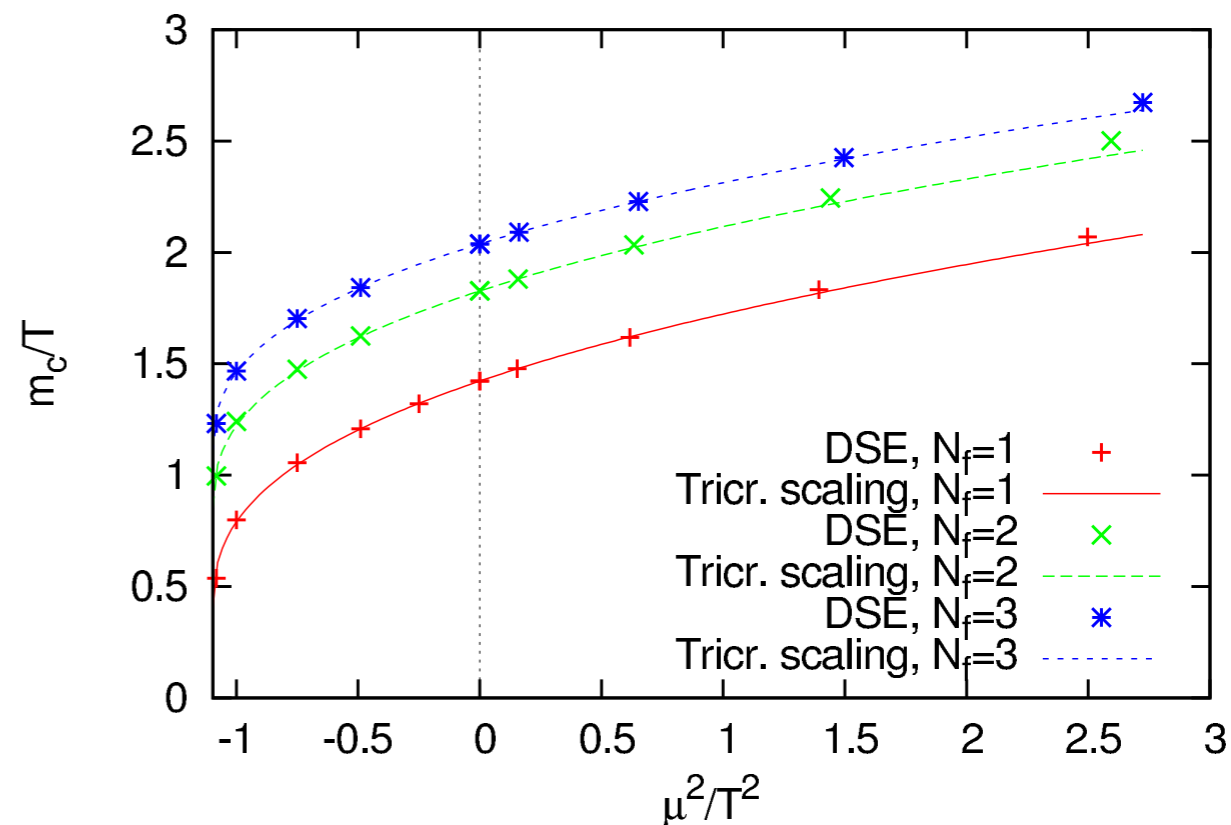
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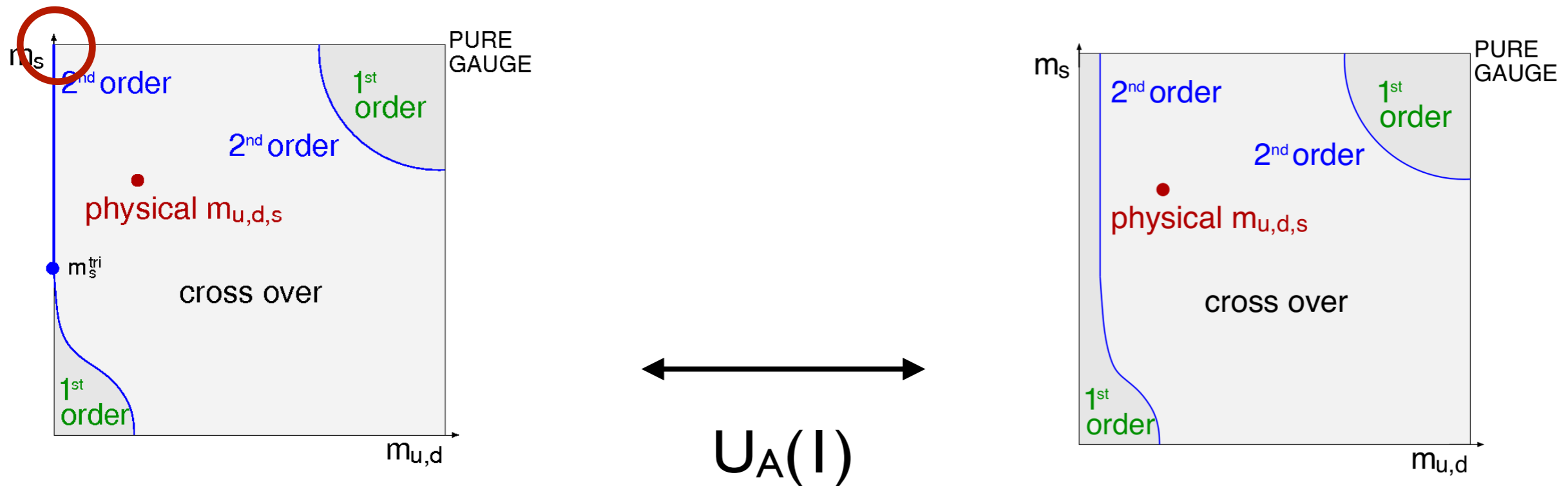
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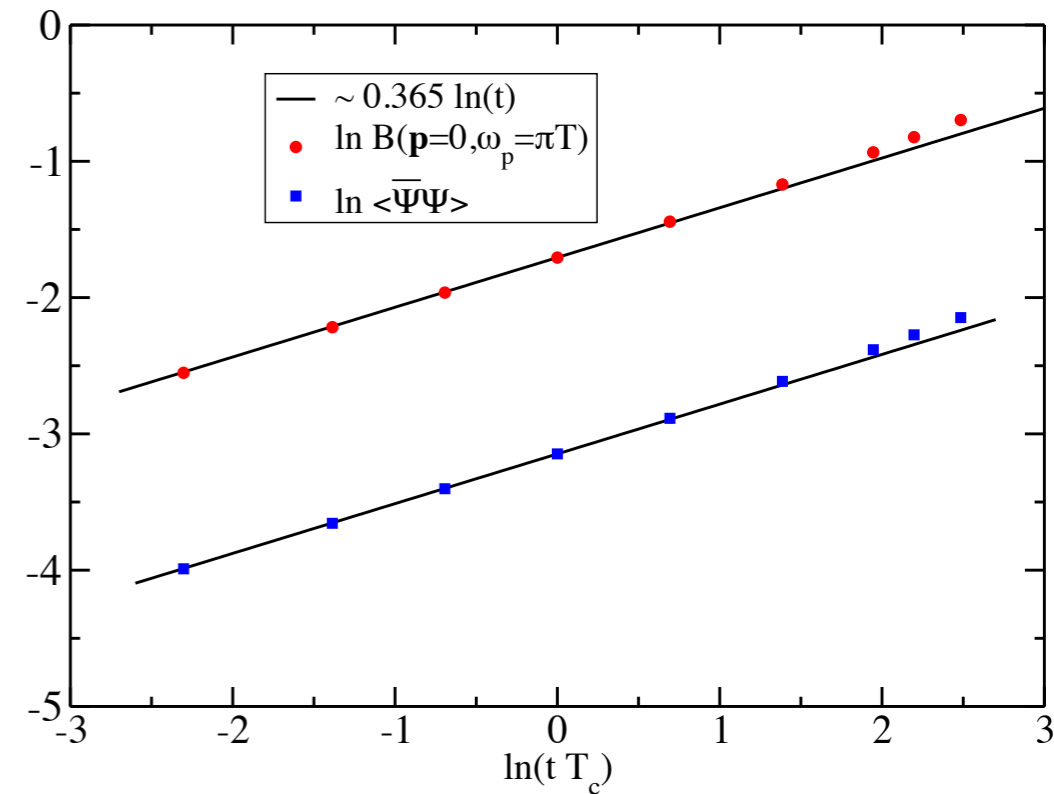
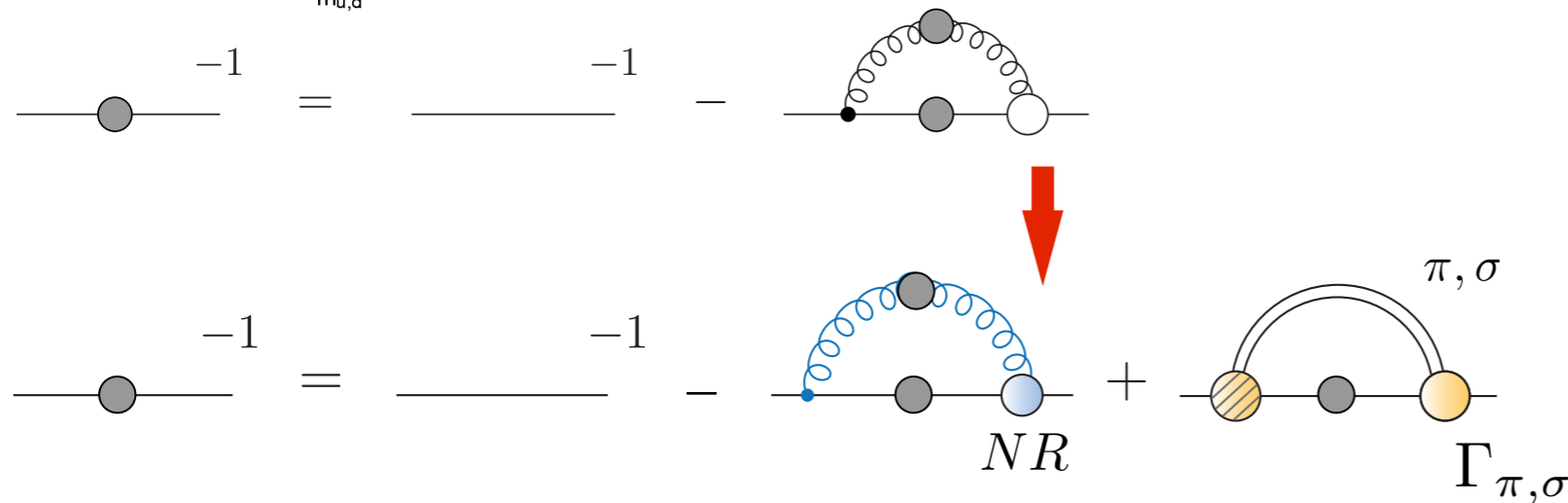
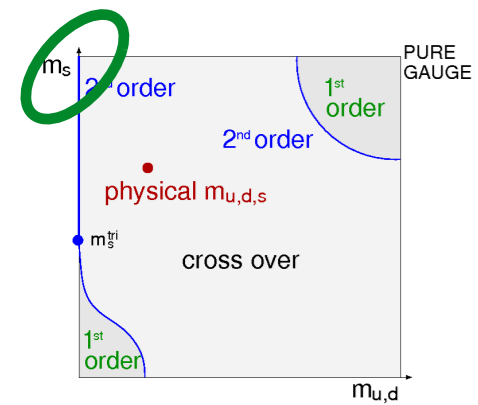
$N_f=2$ chiral limit



see e.g. Resch, Rennecke, Schaefer, PRD 99 (2019) 7

- $N_f=2$, chiral limit: phase transition dominated by Goldstone boson physics \rightarrow (P)-Quark-Meson (QM) model
- $N_f=3$, chiral limit: don't know !

Critical scaling from DSEs: $N_f=2$, chiral limit



- $T=0$: meson contributions of order of 10-20 %

CF, Nickel, Williams EPJC 60 1434 (2008); CF, Williams, PRD 78 (2008) 074006

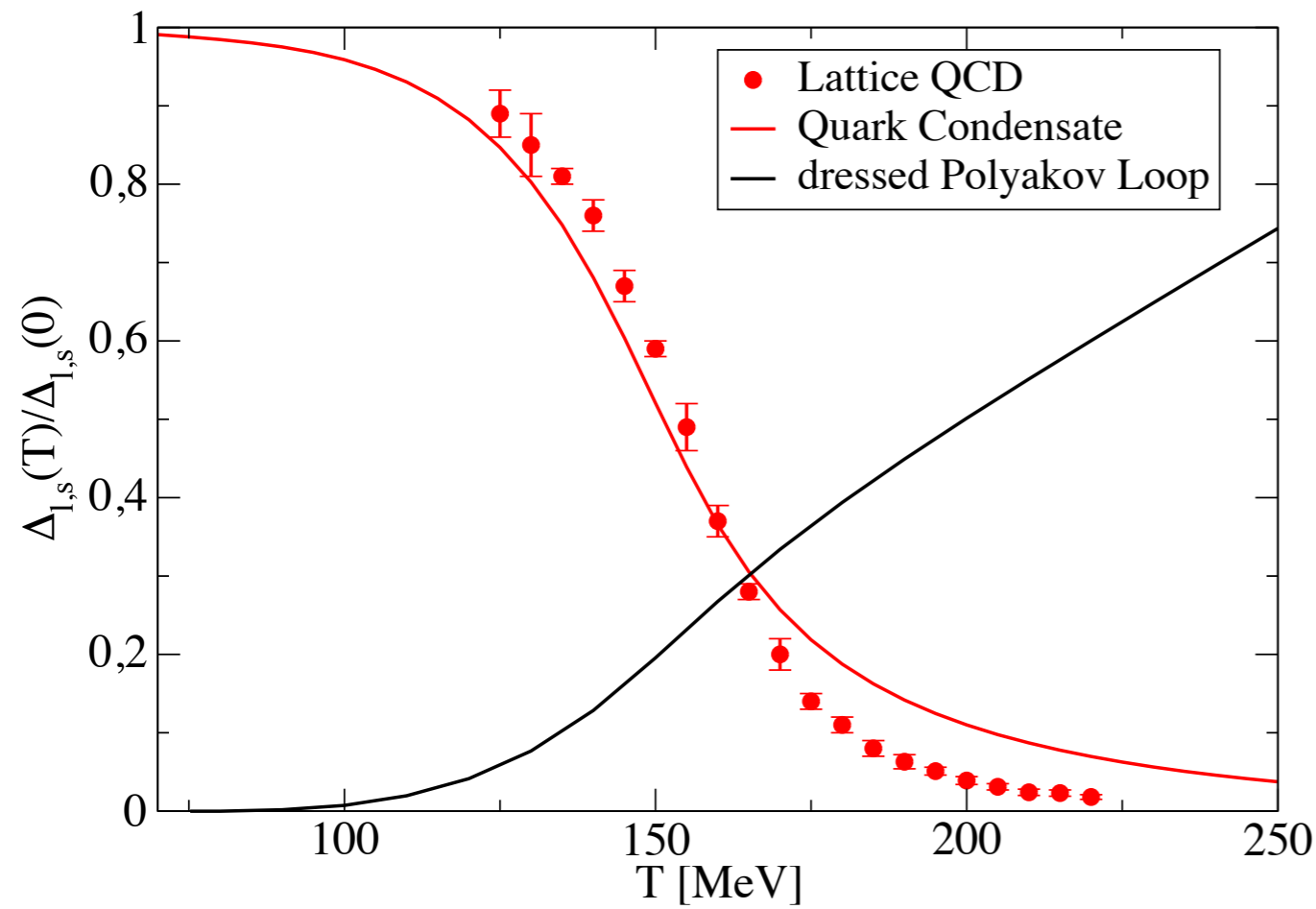
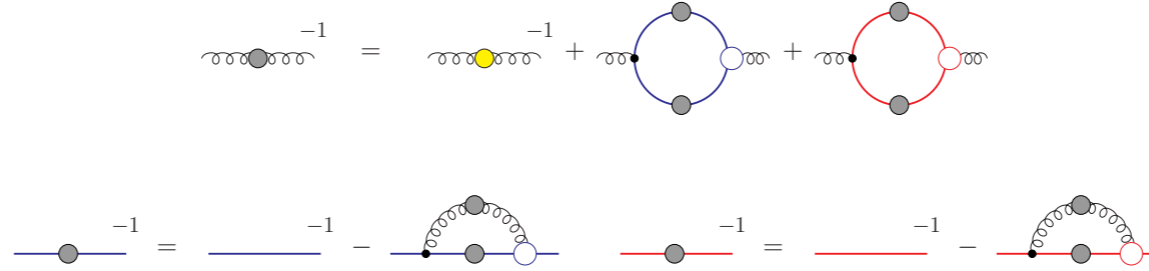
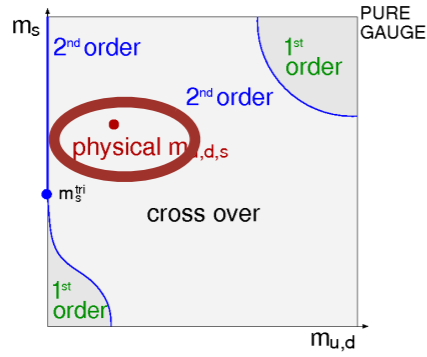
- $T=T_c$: meson contributions are dominant - universality !

- Critical scaling: $\langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle(t) \sim B(t) \sim t^{\nu/2}$
 $f_{\pi,s}^2 \sim t^{\nu}$

$$t := \frac{T_c - T}{T_c}$$

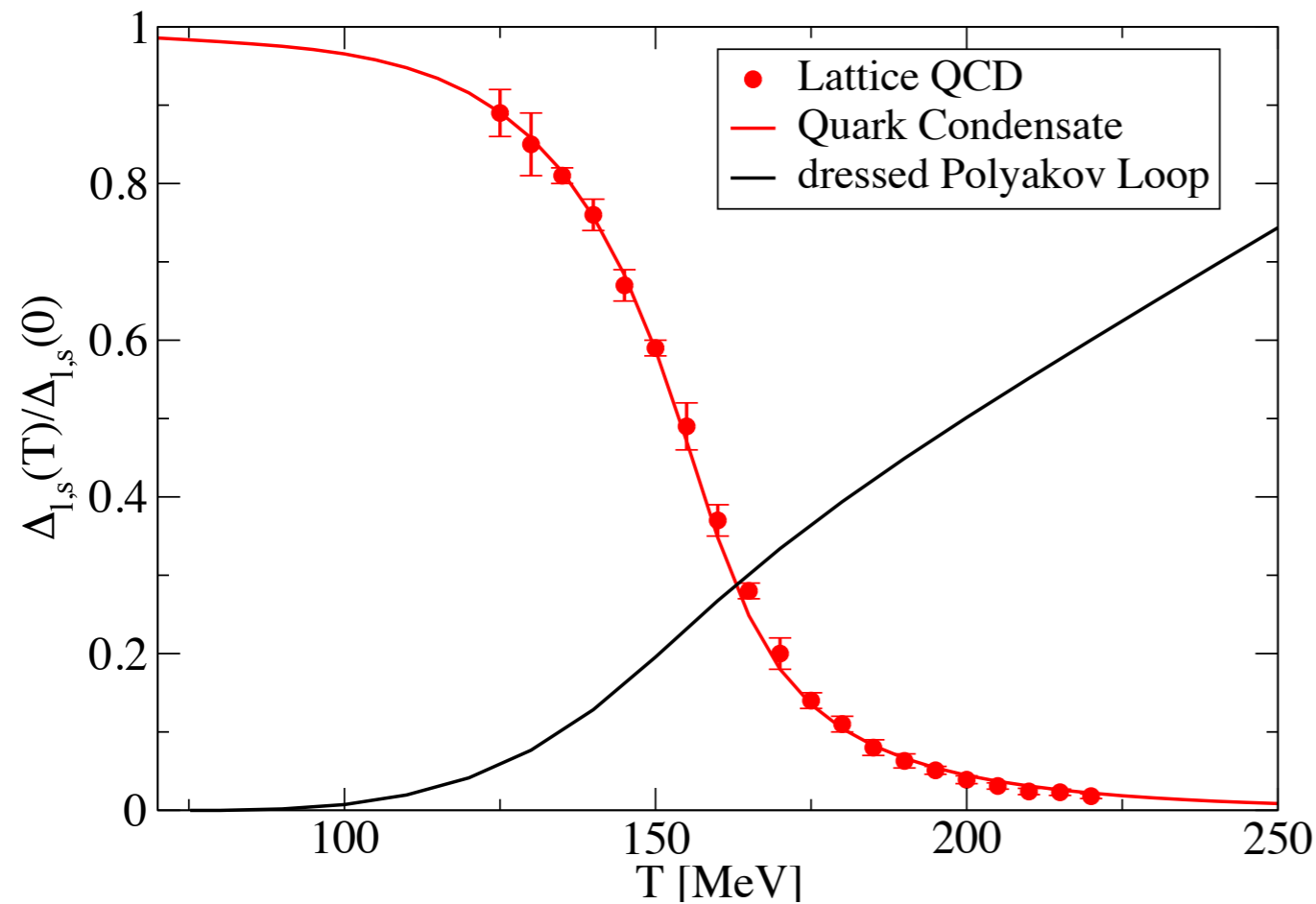
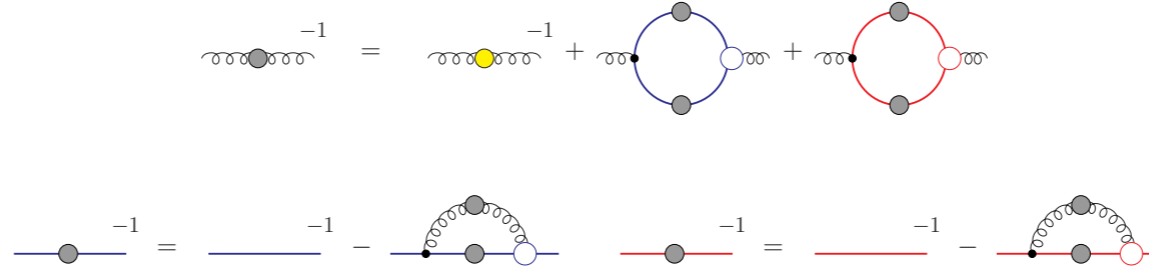
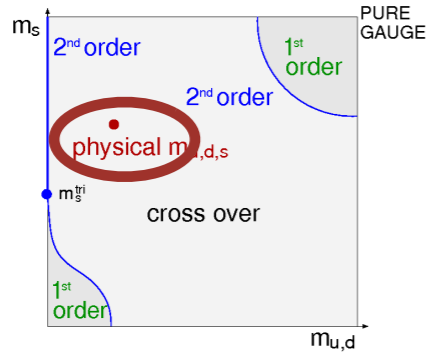
CF and Mueller, PRD 84 (2011) 054013

$N_f=2+1, \mu=0$, physical point



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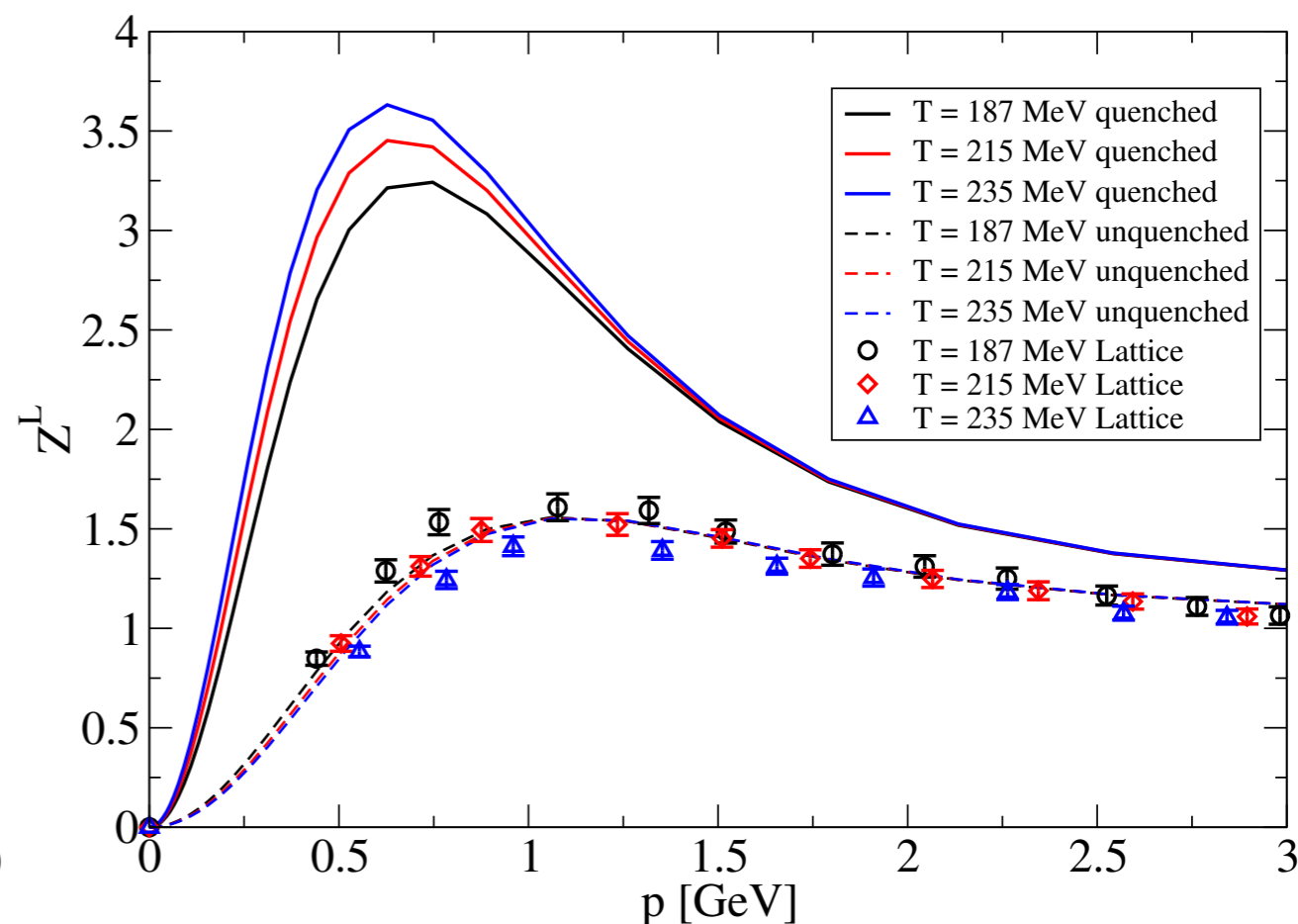
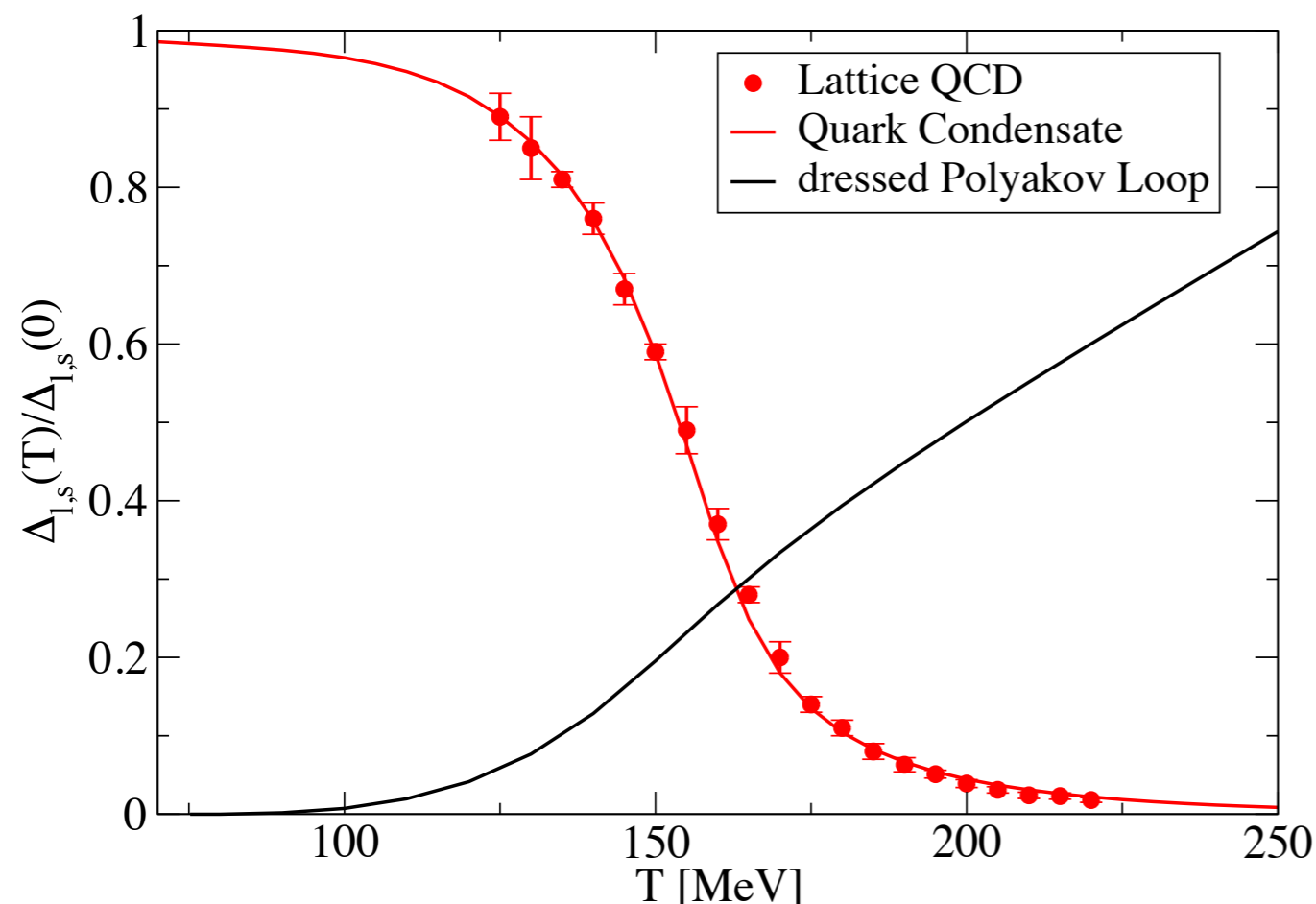
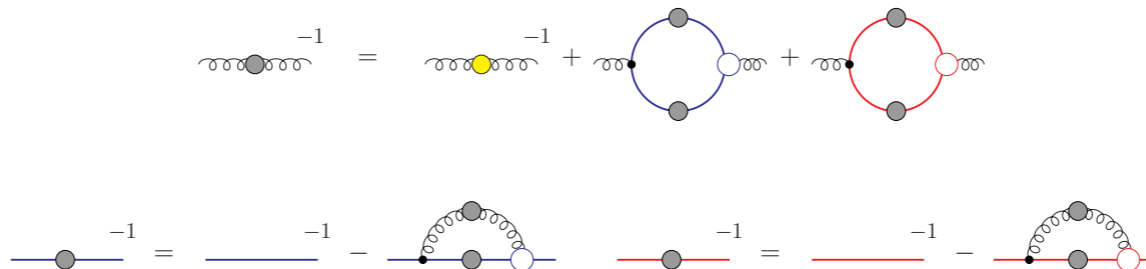
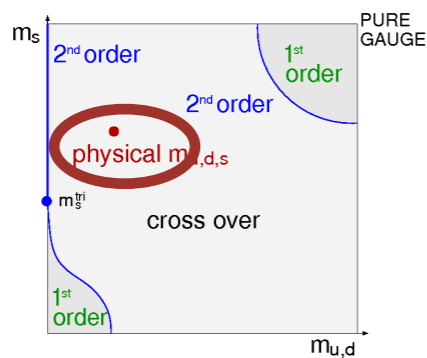
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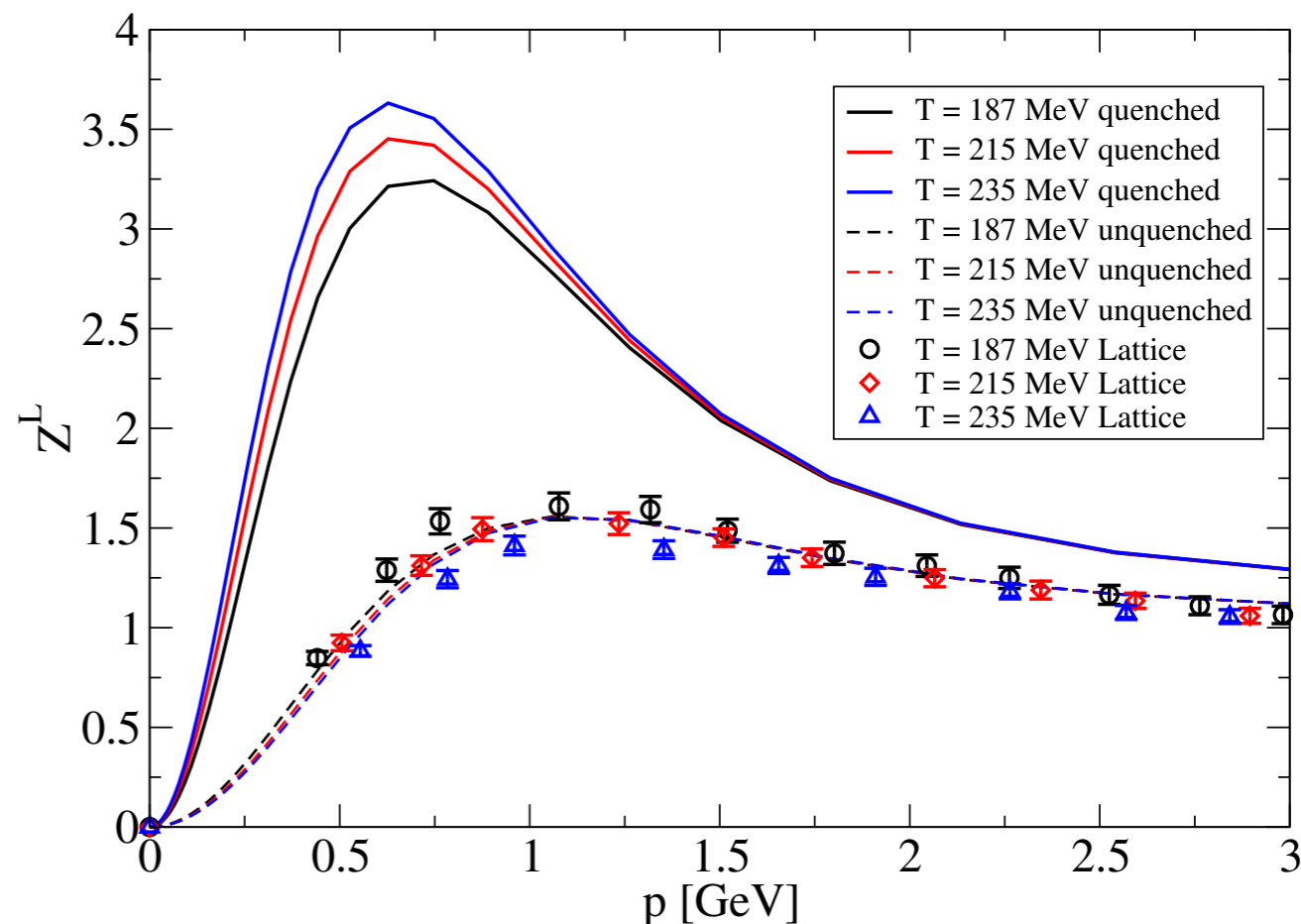
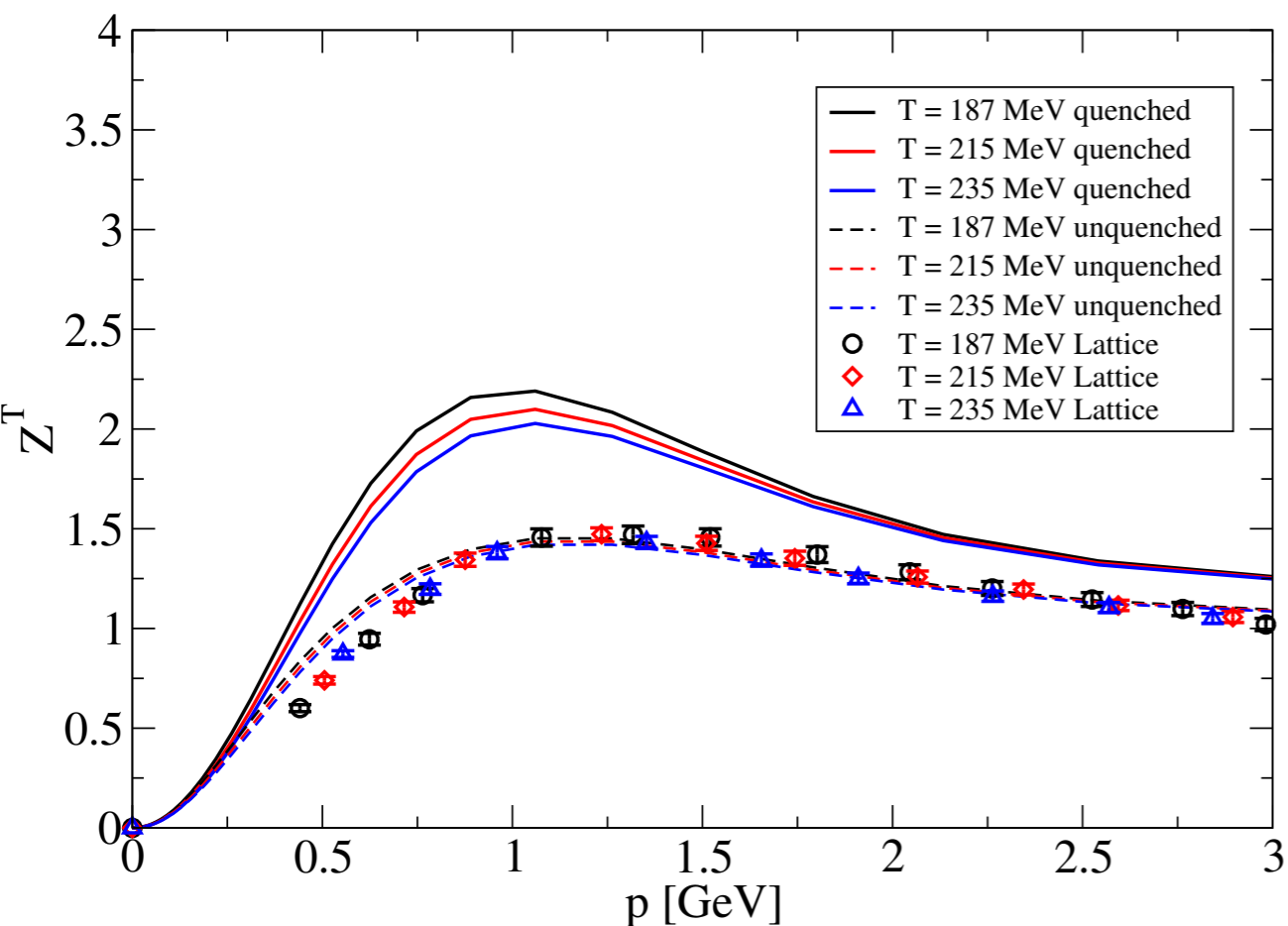
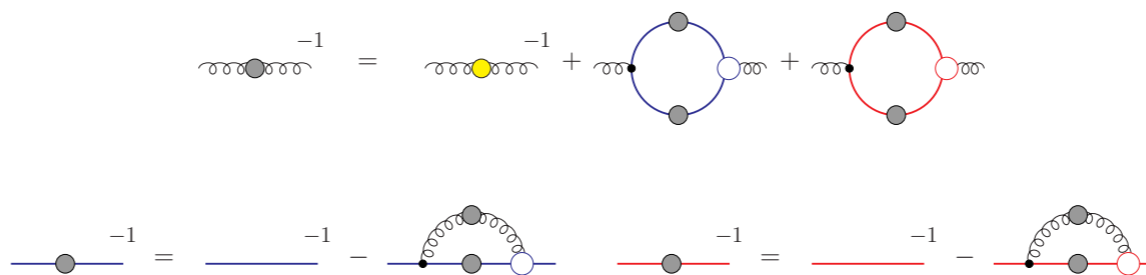
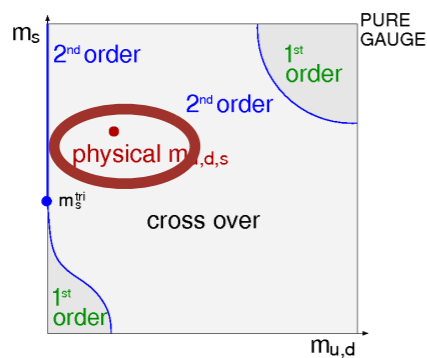


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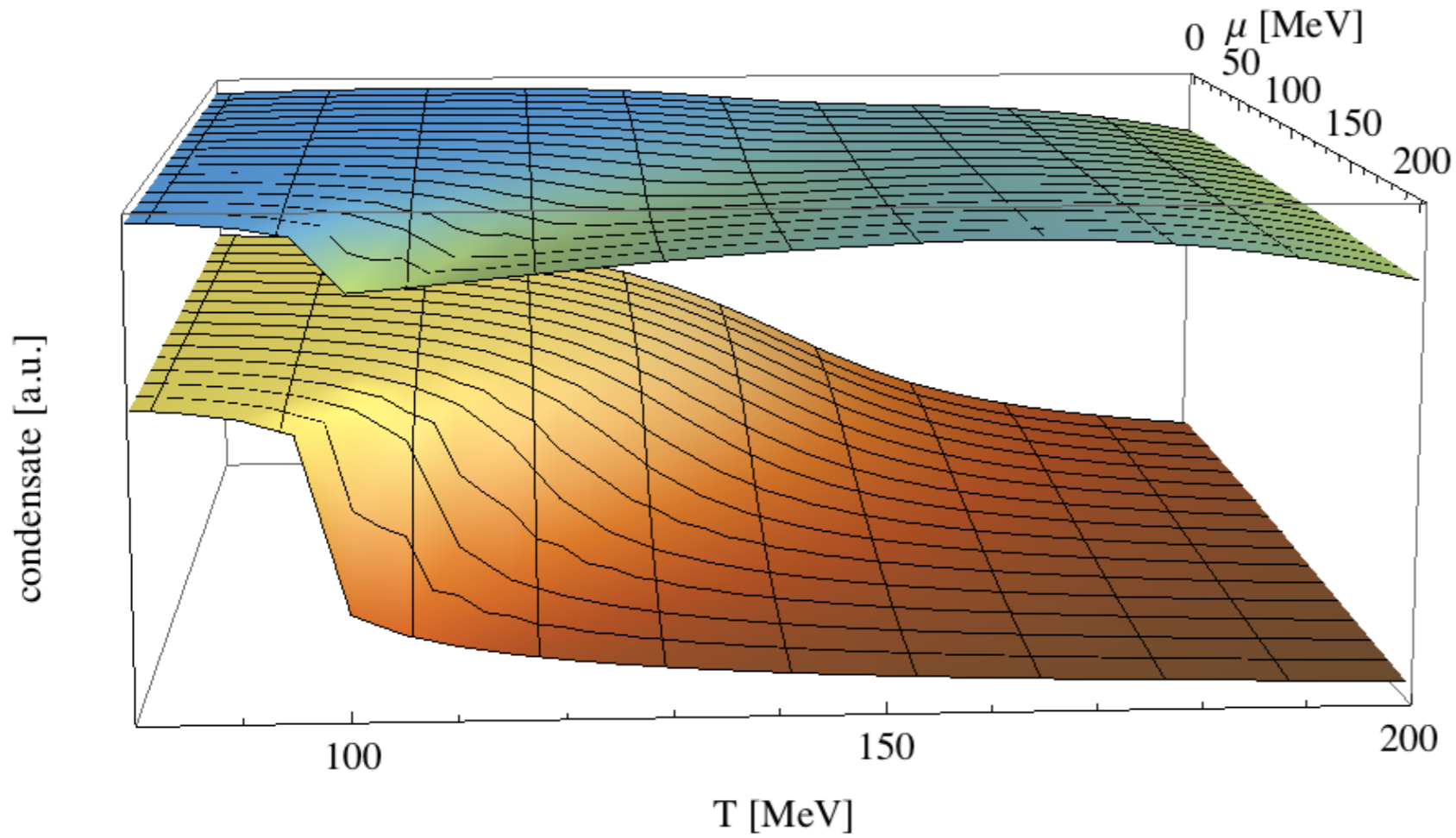
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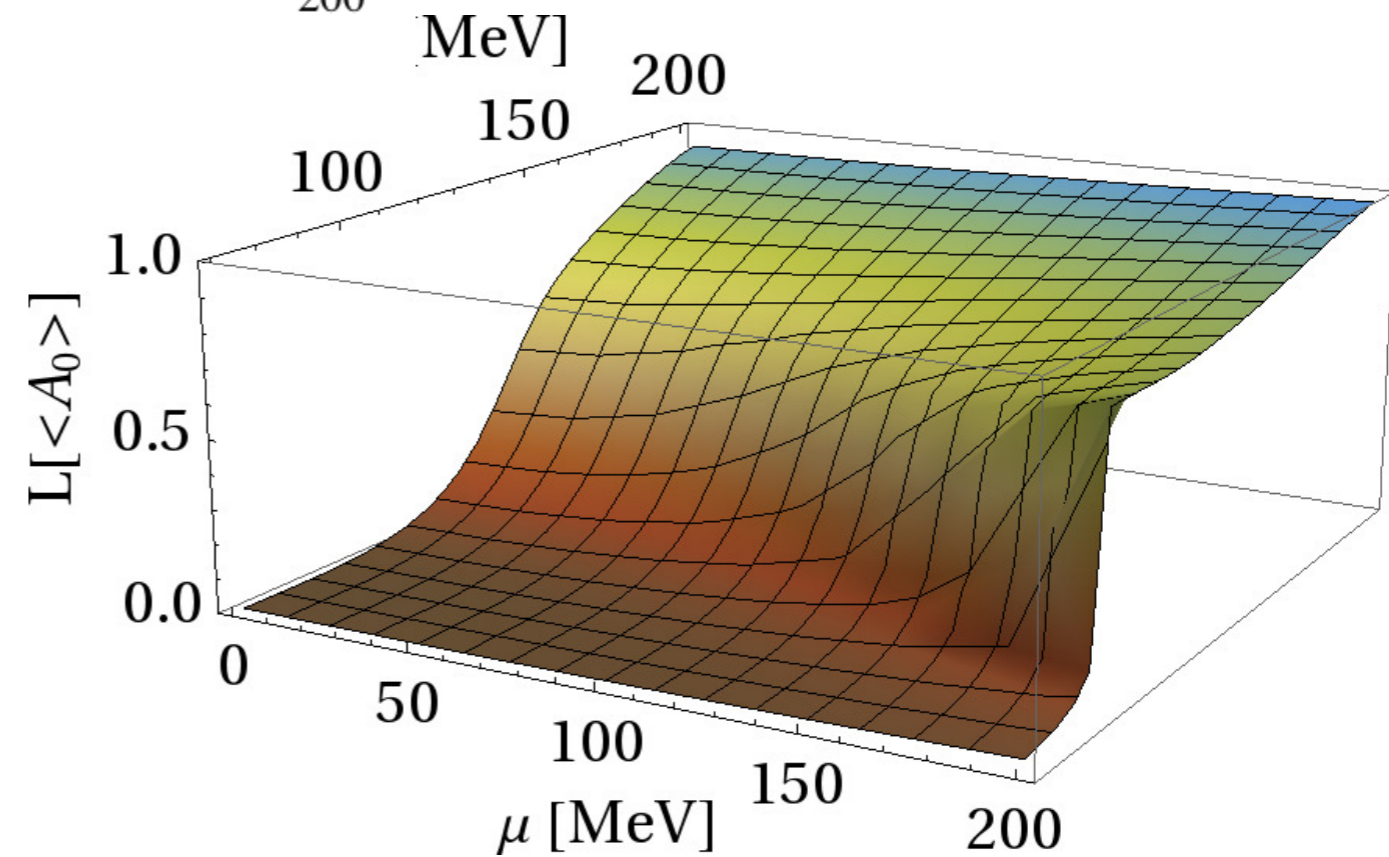
Nf=2+1: Condensate and dressed Polyakov Loop



Quark condensate

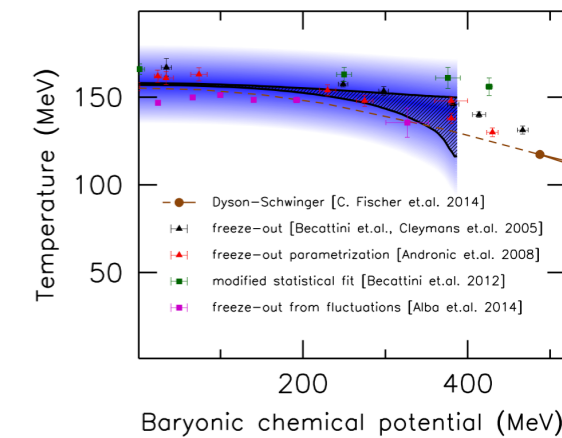
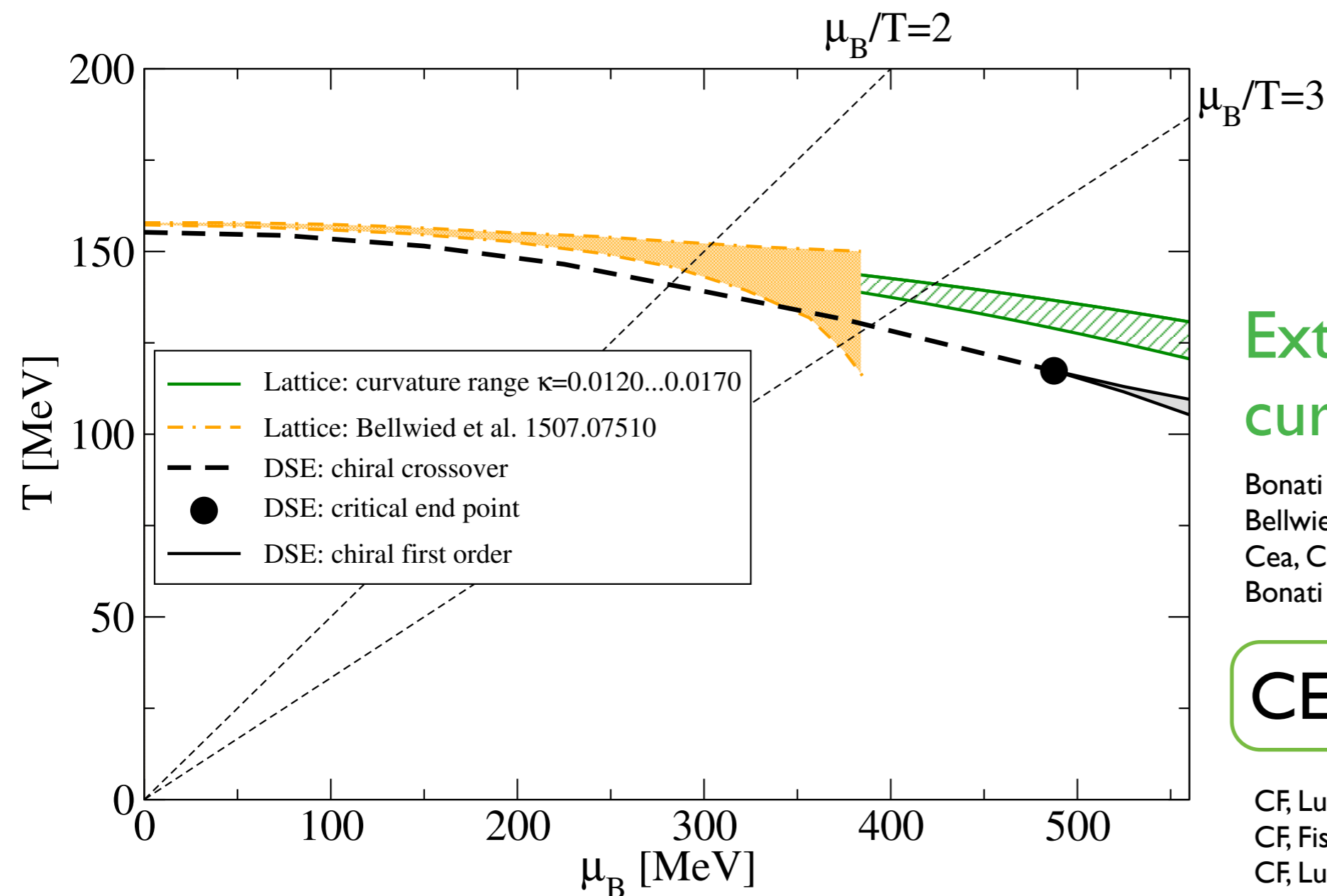
Polyakov-Loop

$$L = \frac{1}{N_c} \text{tr} e^{ig \int A_0}$$



CF, Fister, Luecker, Pawłowski, PLB 732 (2014) 273

$N_f=2+1$: phase diagram



Extrapolated
curvature from lattice

Bonati et al., PRD 92 (2015) 054503
Bellwied et al. PLB 751 (2015) 559
Cea, Cosmai, Papa, PRD 89 (2014), PRD 93 (2016)
Bonati et al., arXiv:1805.02960

CEP at large μ

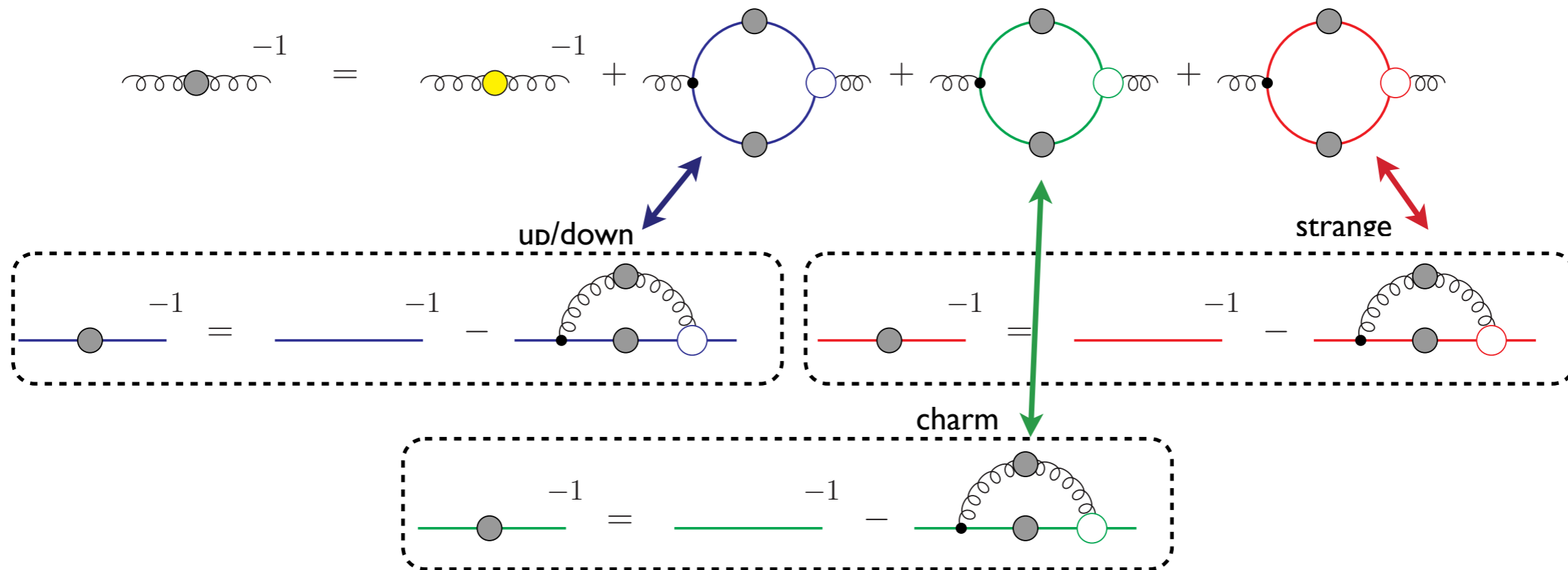
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● what about truncation error ? how stable is this result ??

- ✱ $N_f=2+1+1$
- ✱ baryon and meson effects ?
- ✱ crosscheck with FRG

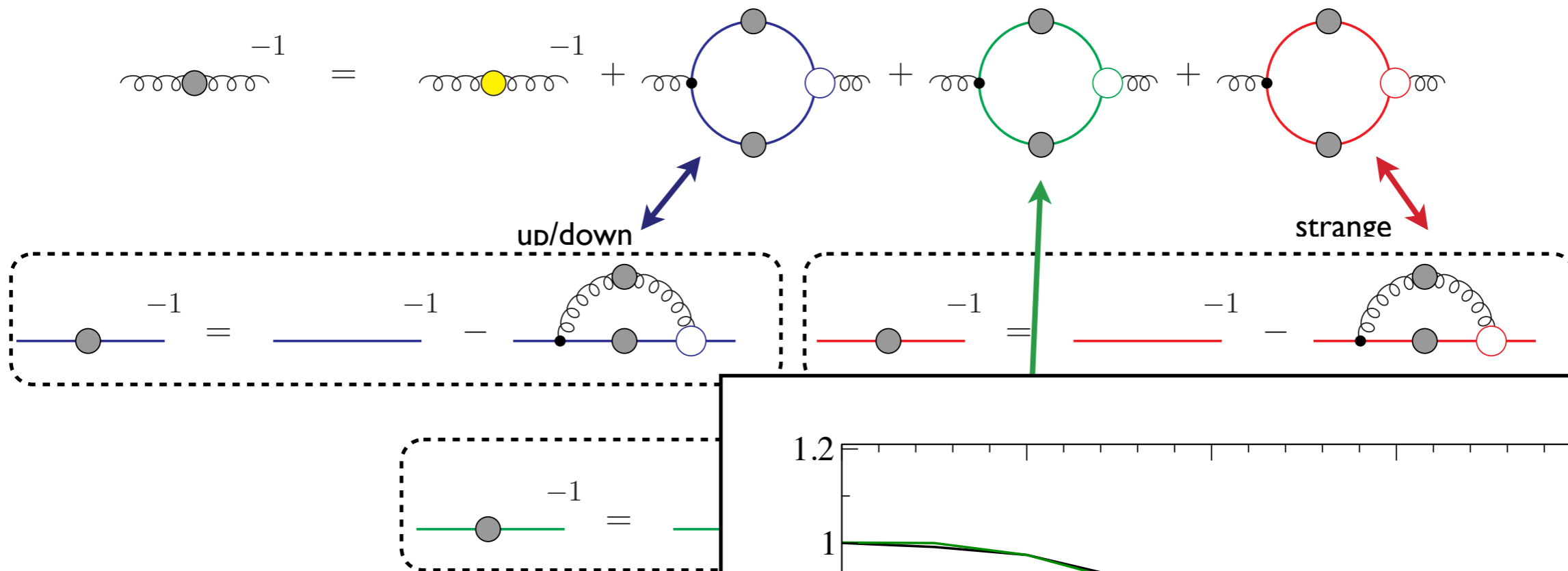
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$N_f=2+1+1$: effects of charm

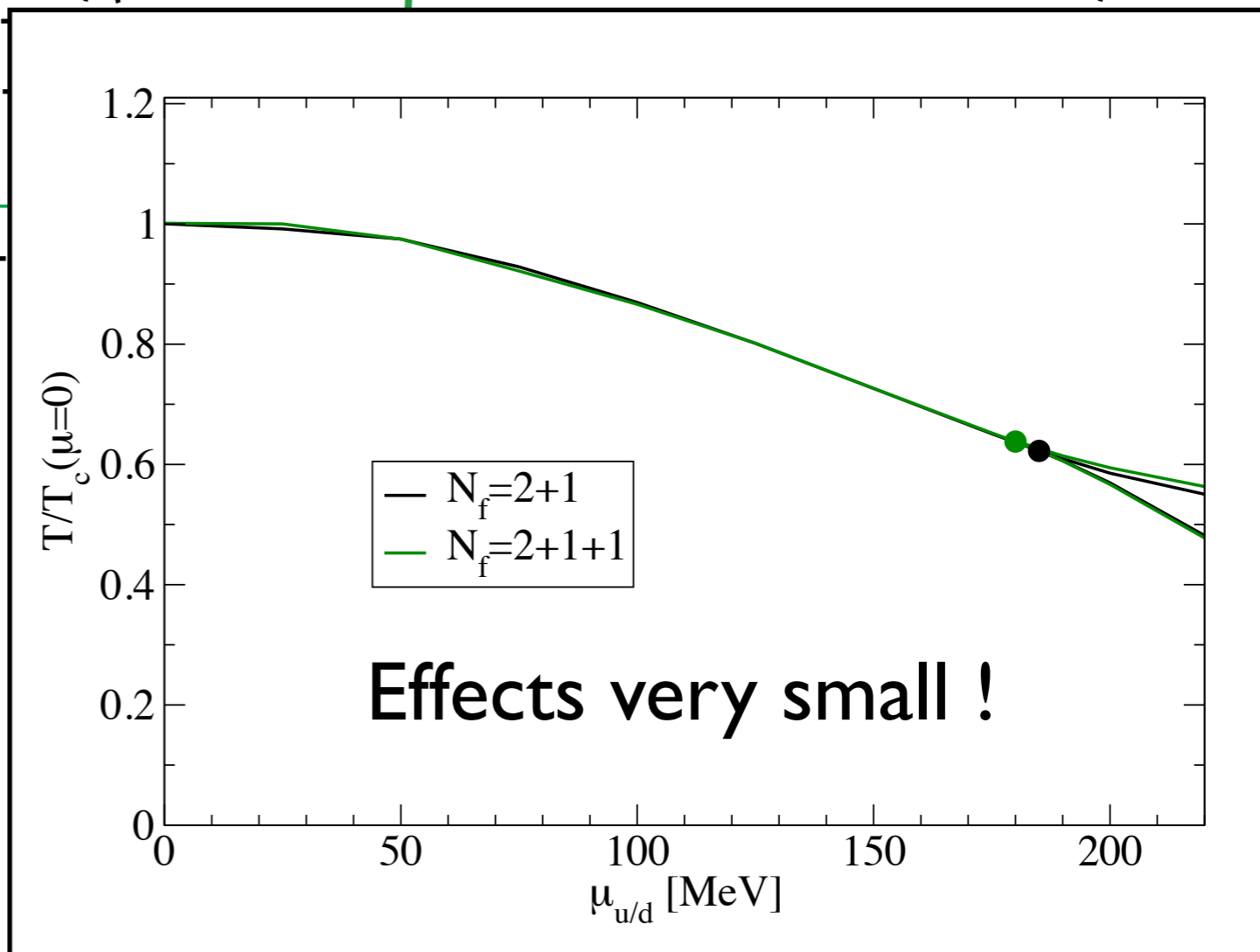


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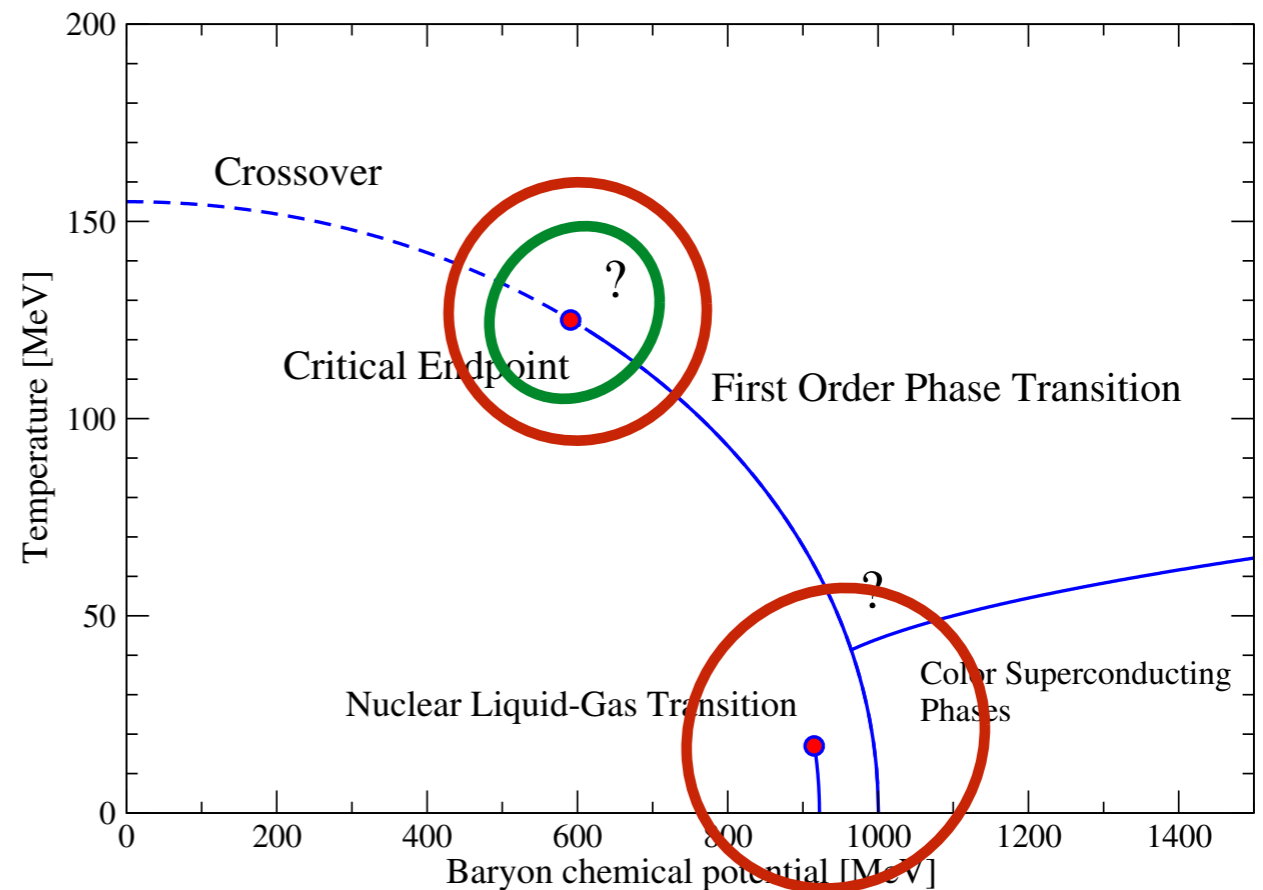
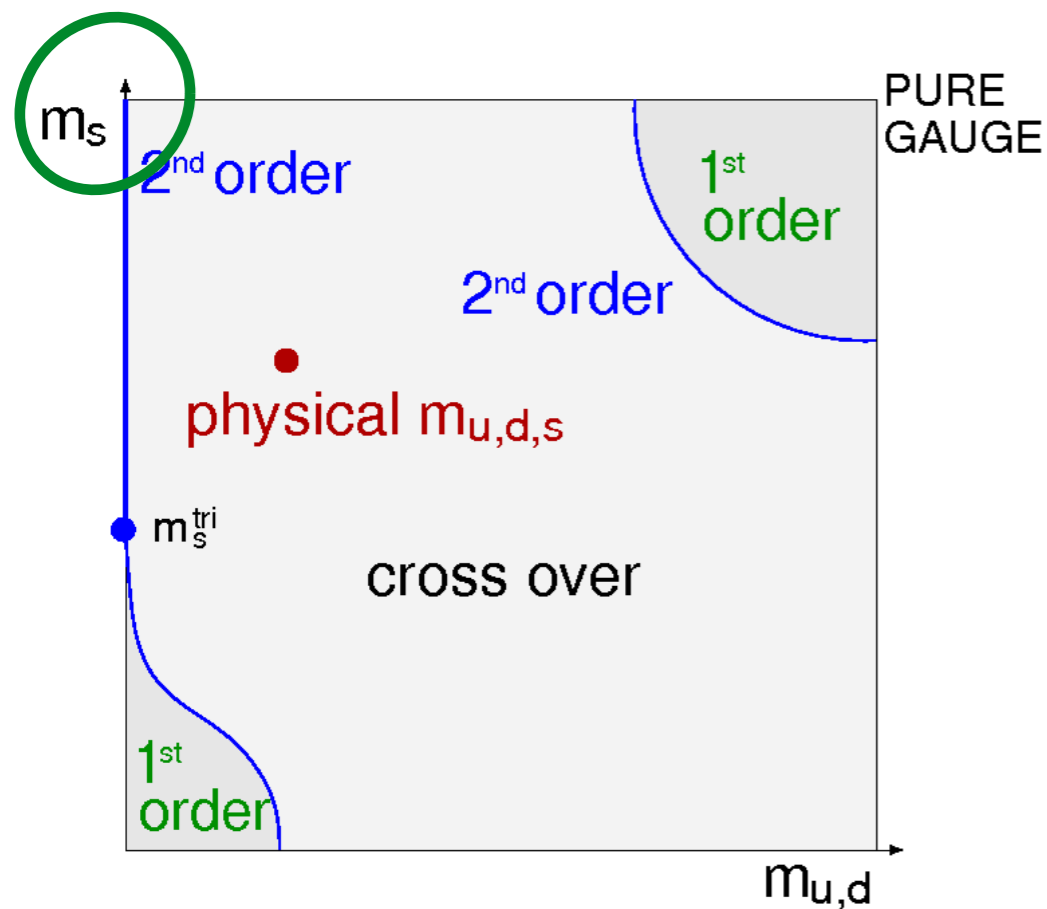


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Hadron effects in the QCD phase diagram



- **Meson effects:** critical chiral physics, ...

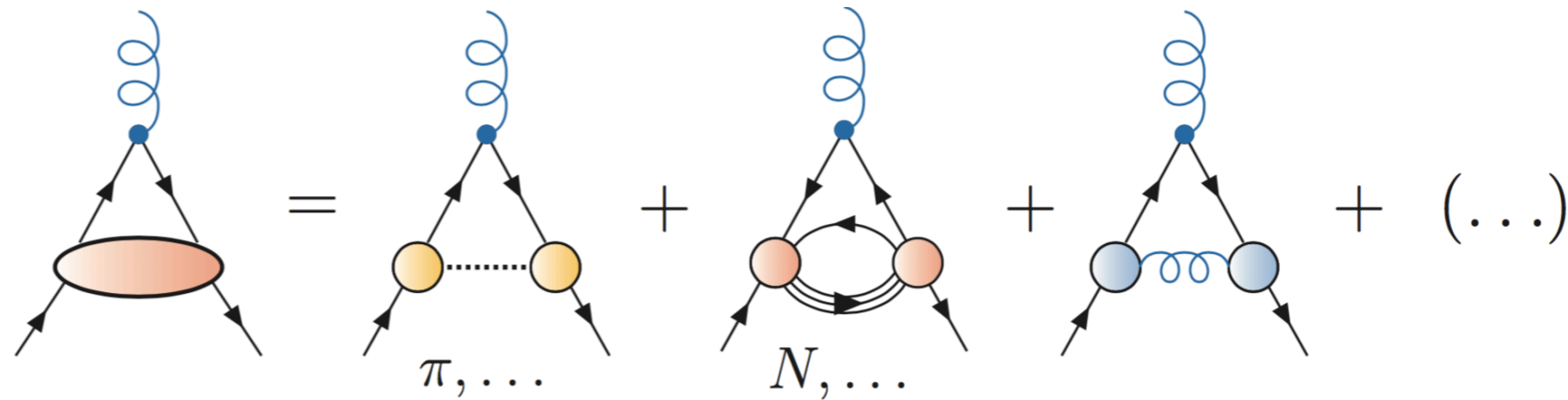
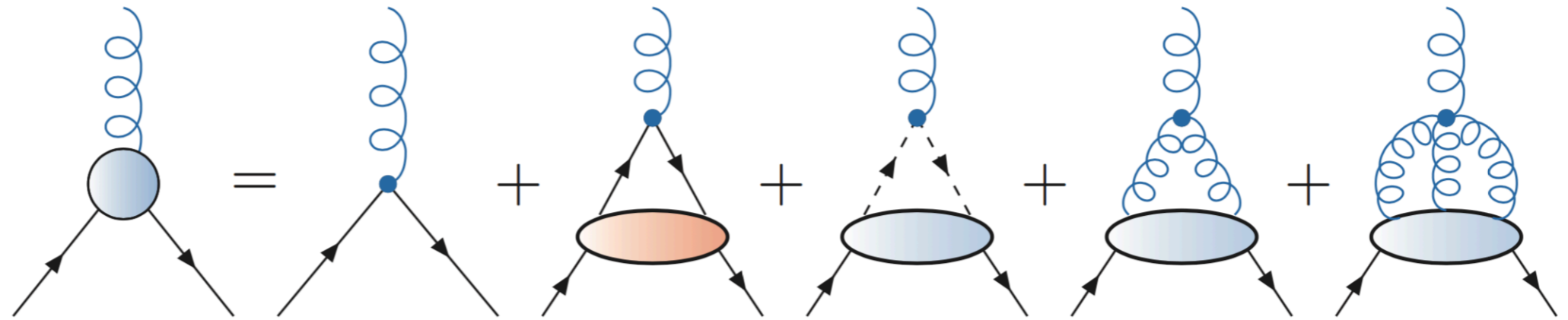
- **Baryon effects**

Chiral mirror model: Weyrich, Strodthoff and von Smekal, PRC 92 (2015) no.1, 015214

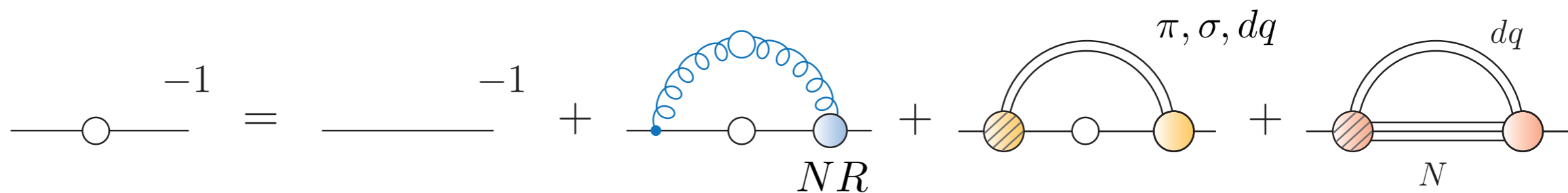
→ truncation of DSEs good enough to include these effects ?

Hadron effects in quark-gluon interaction

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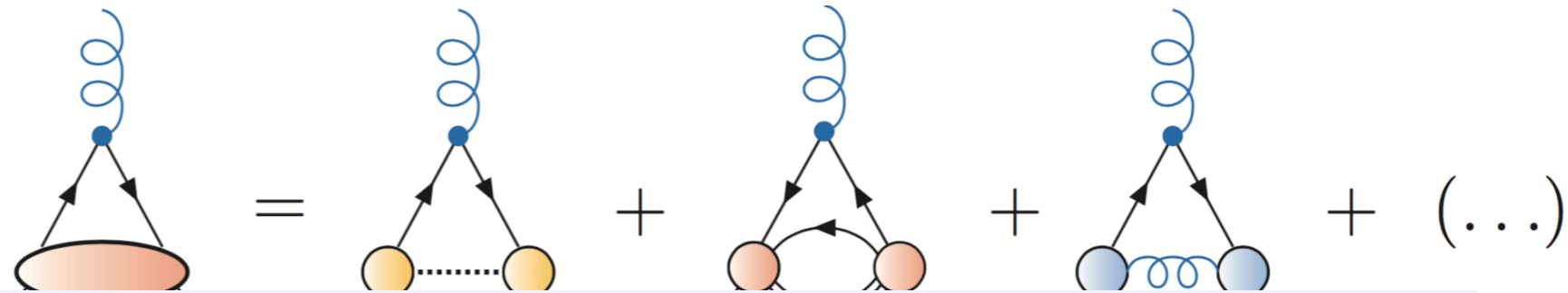
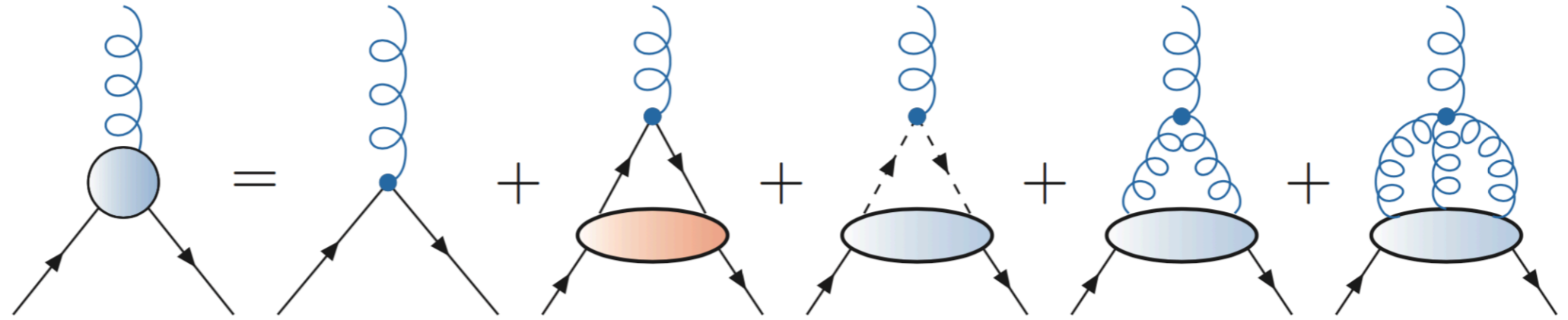
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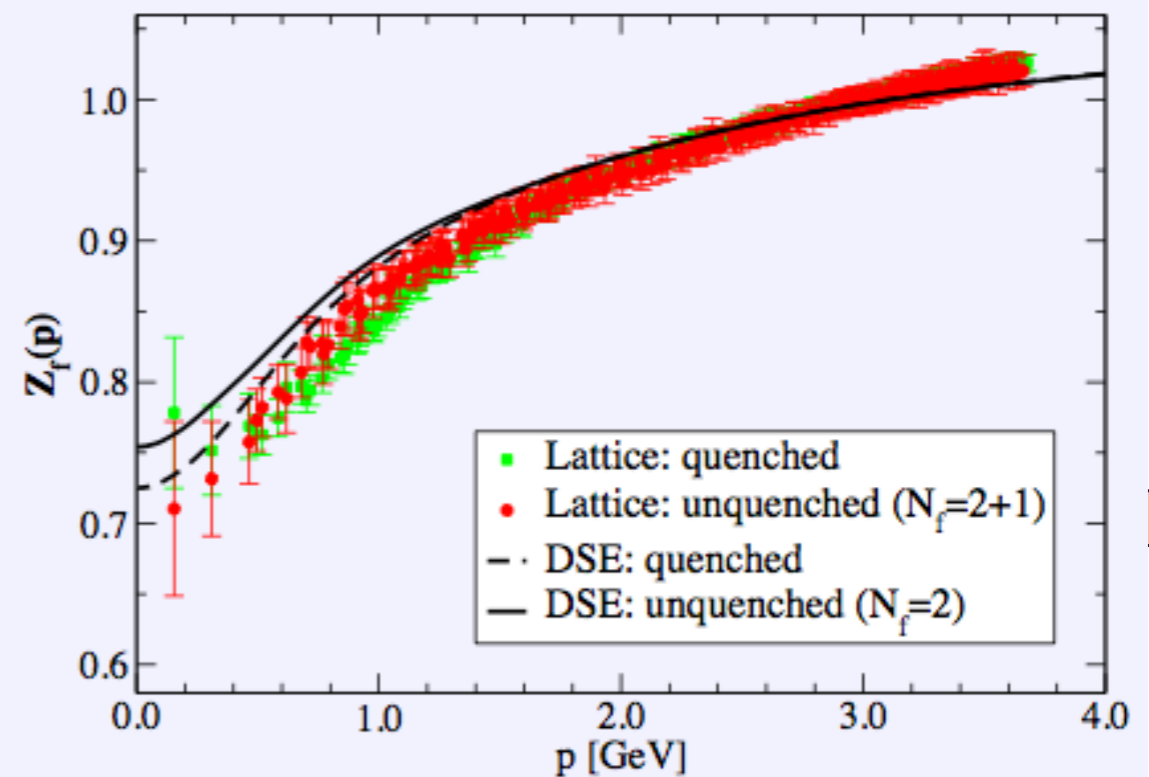
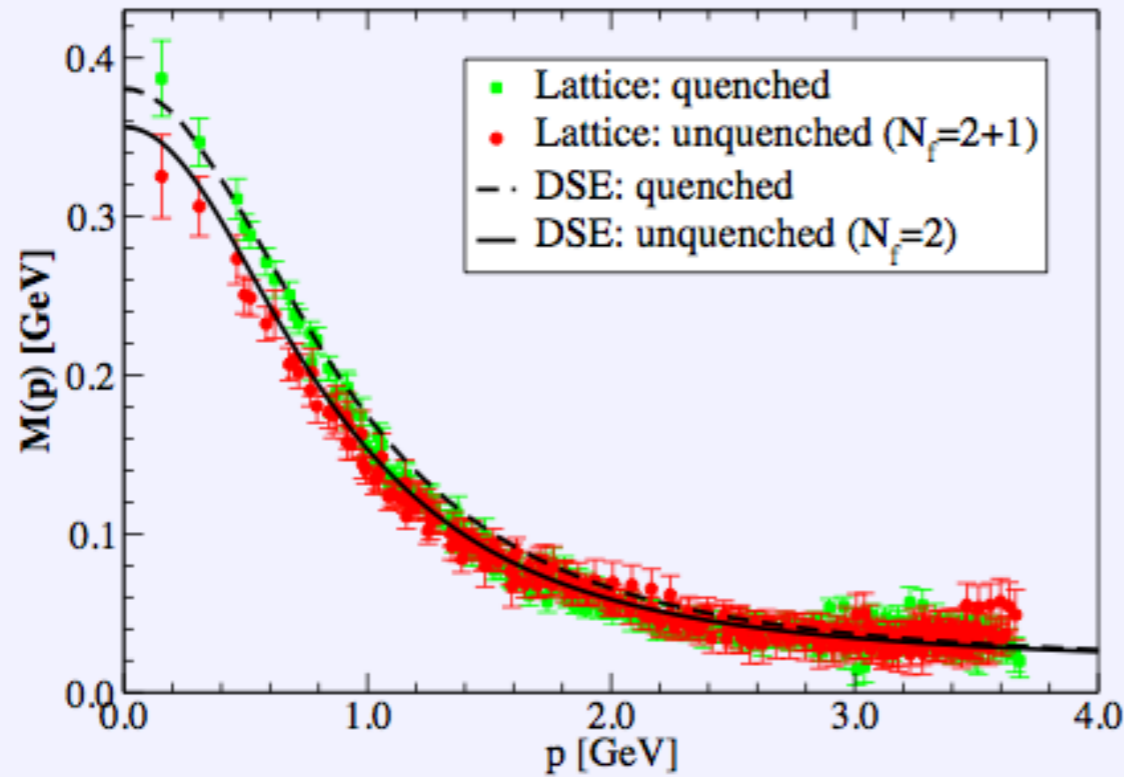
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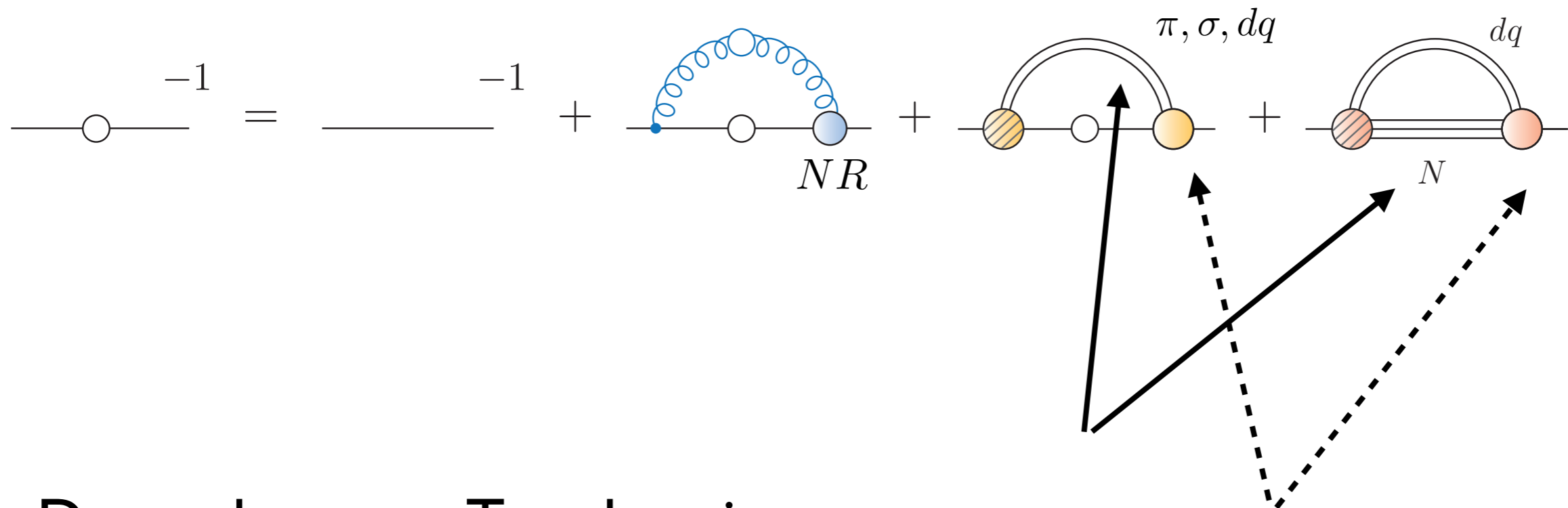
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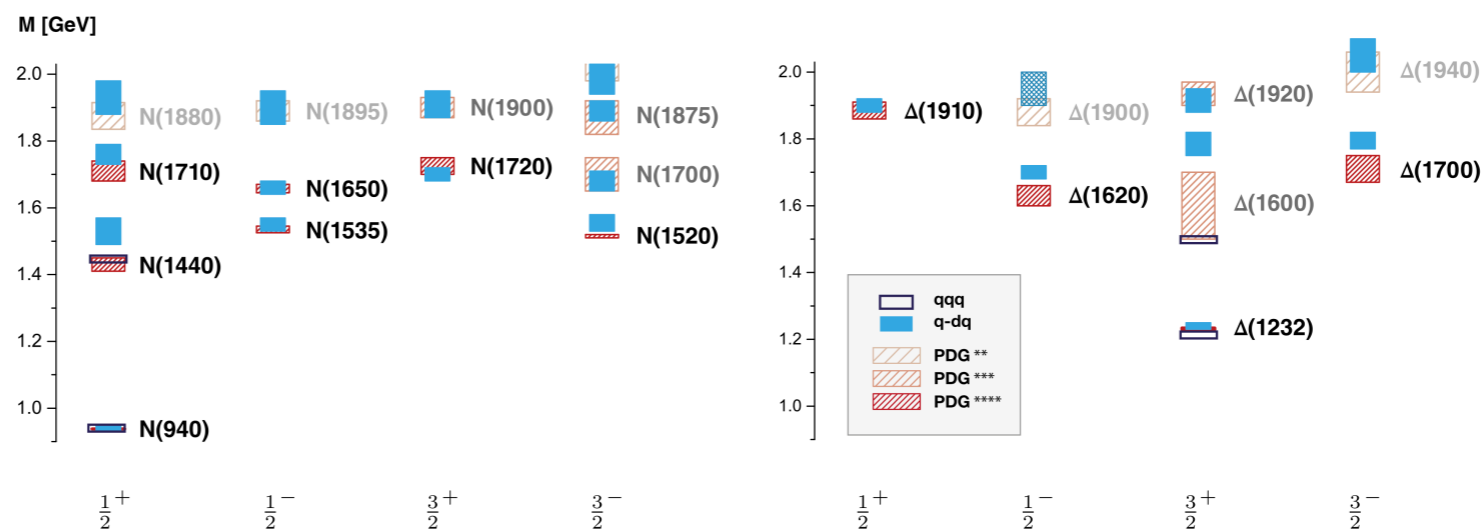
CF, D. Nickel and R. Williams, EPJC **60**, 1434 (2008)

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Hadron effects onto quark

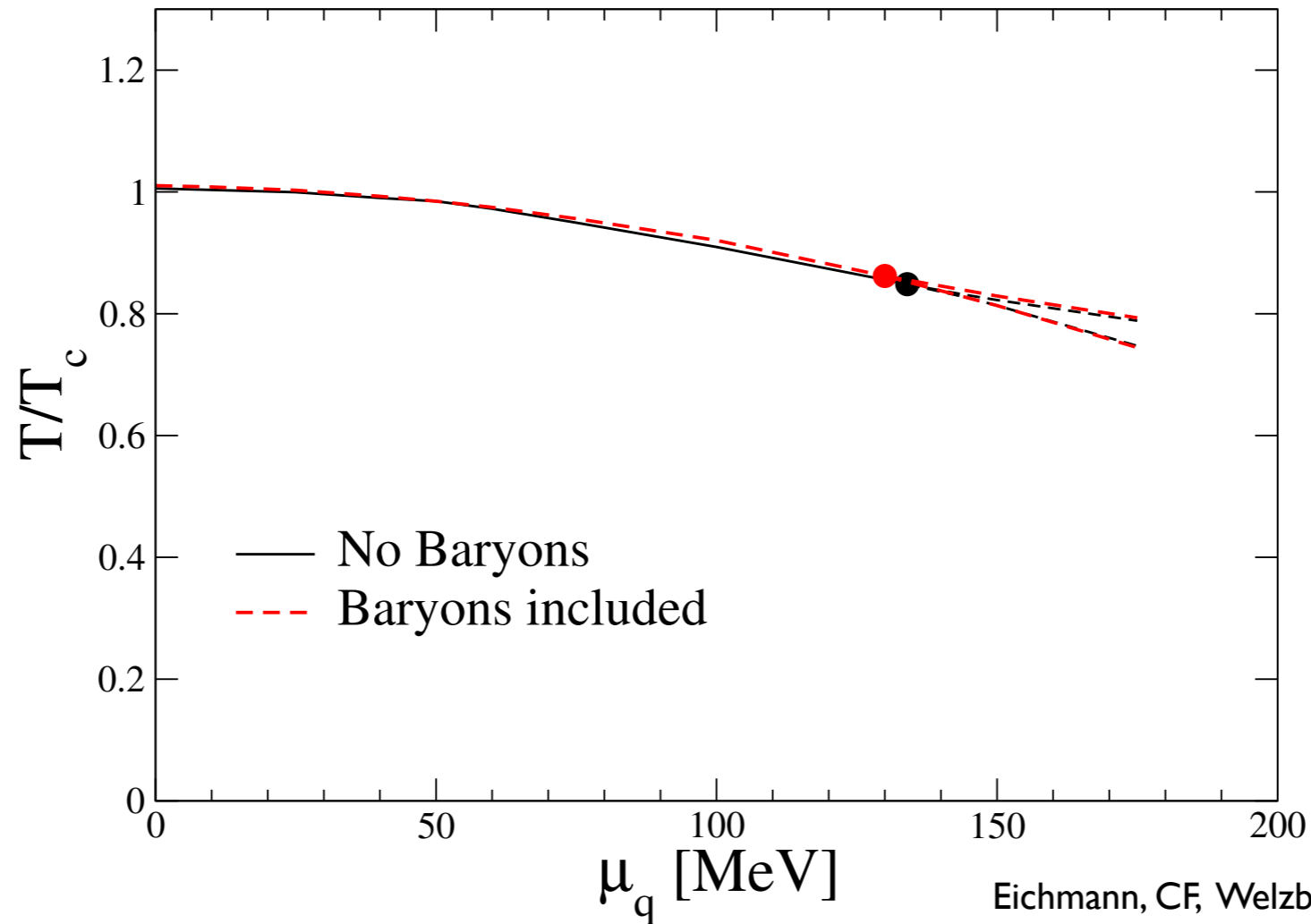
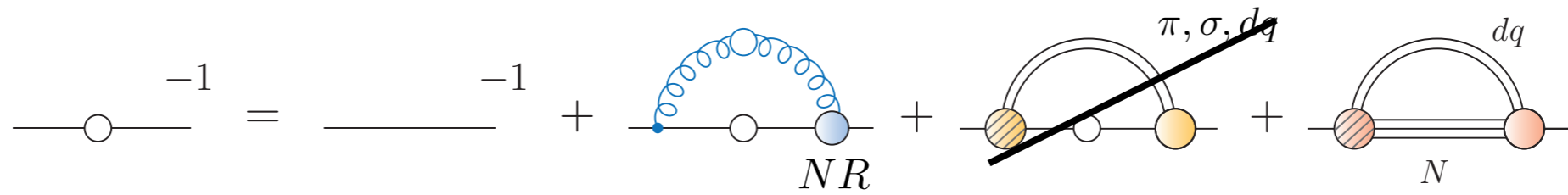


- Dependence on T and μ via $-$ propagators
-wave functions
- Baryons: exploratory calculation: use wave functions from $T=\mu=0$



Eichmann, CF, Sanchis-Alepuz, PRD 94 (2016) [1607.05748]
Eichmann, CF, Few Body Syst. 60 (2019) no.1, 2

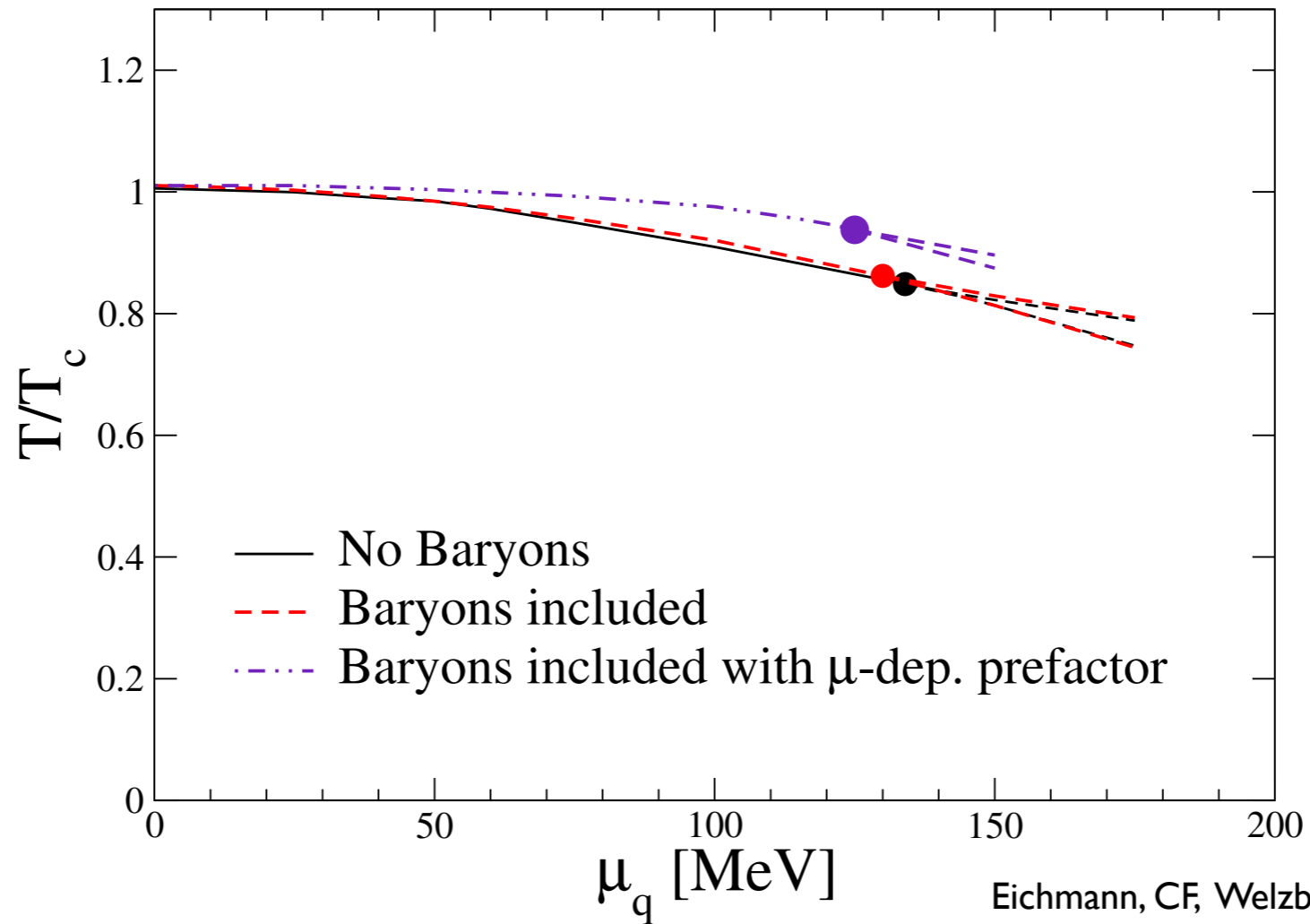
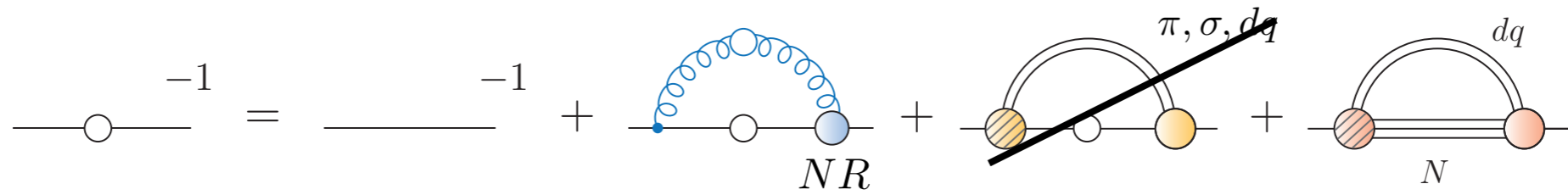
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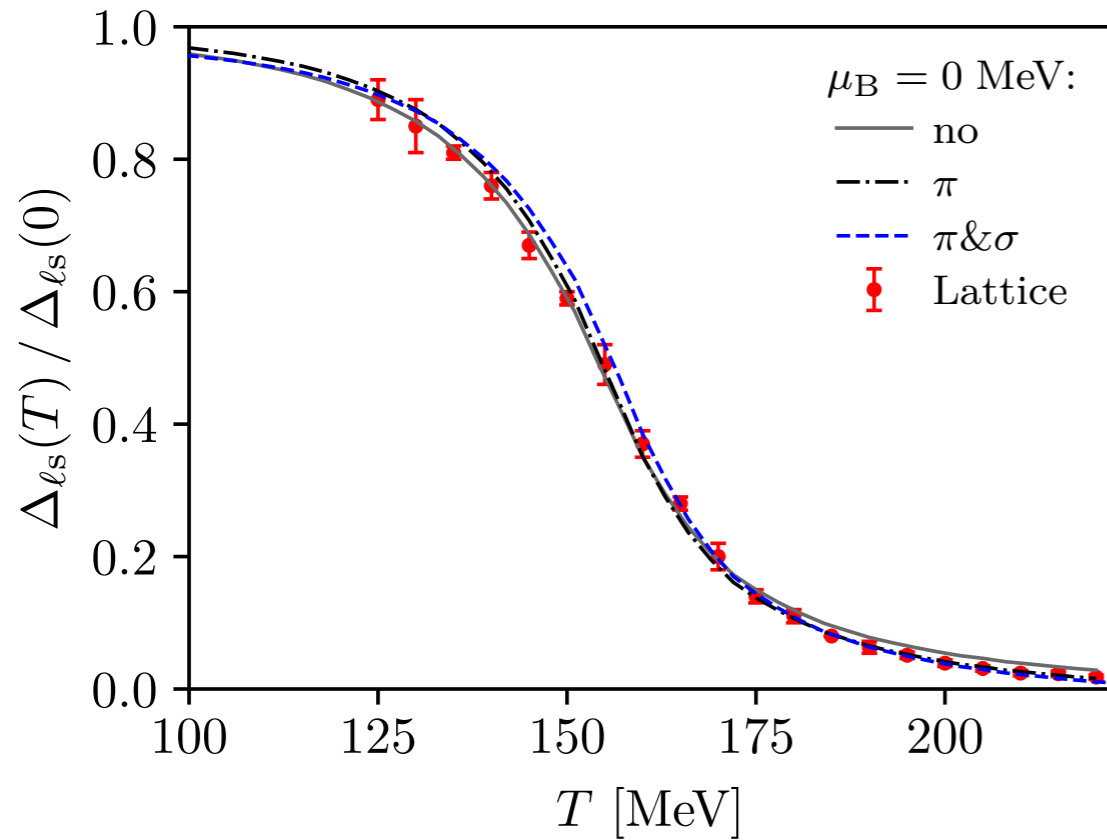
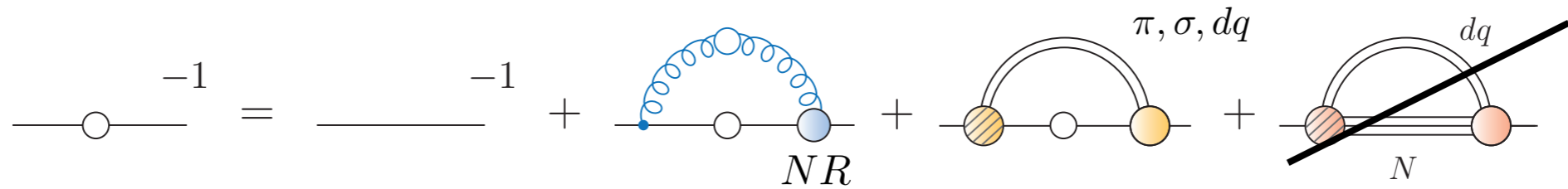
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- But: strong μ -dependence of baryon wave function may change situation...

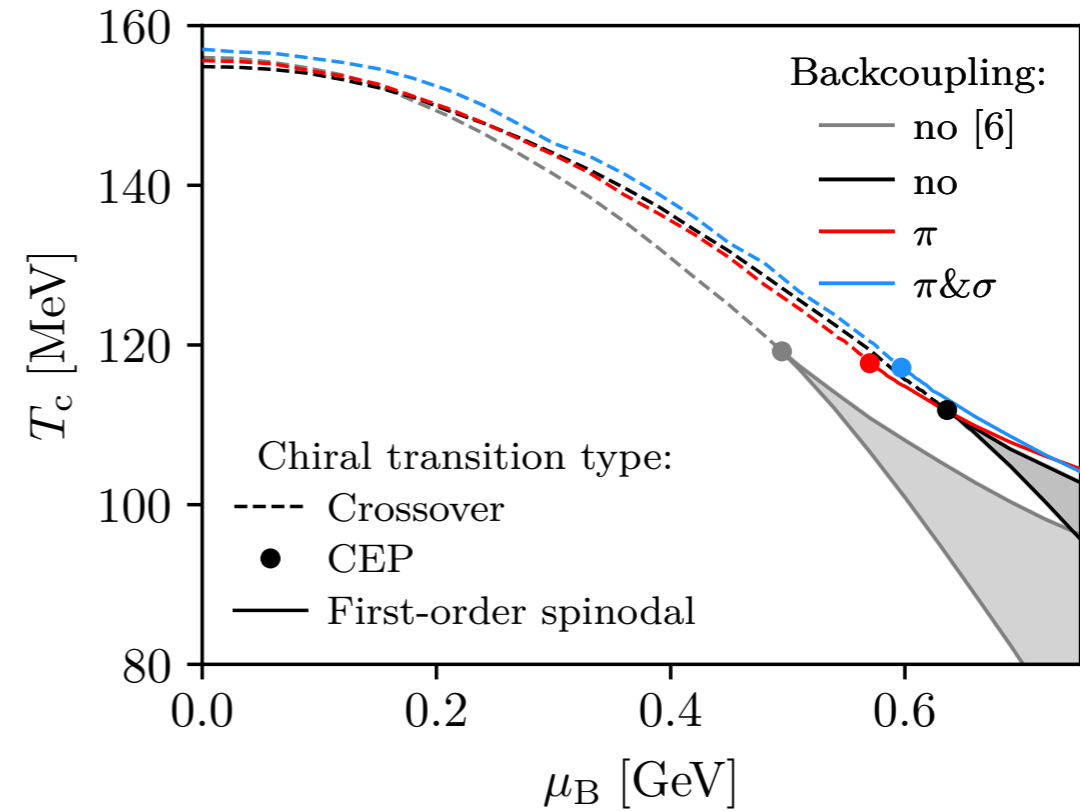
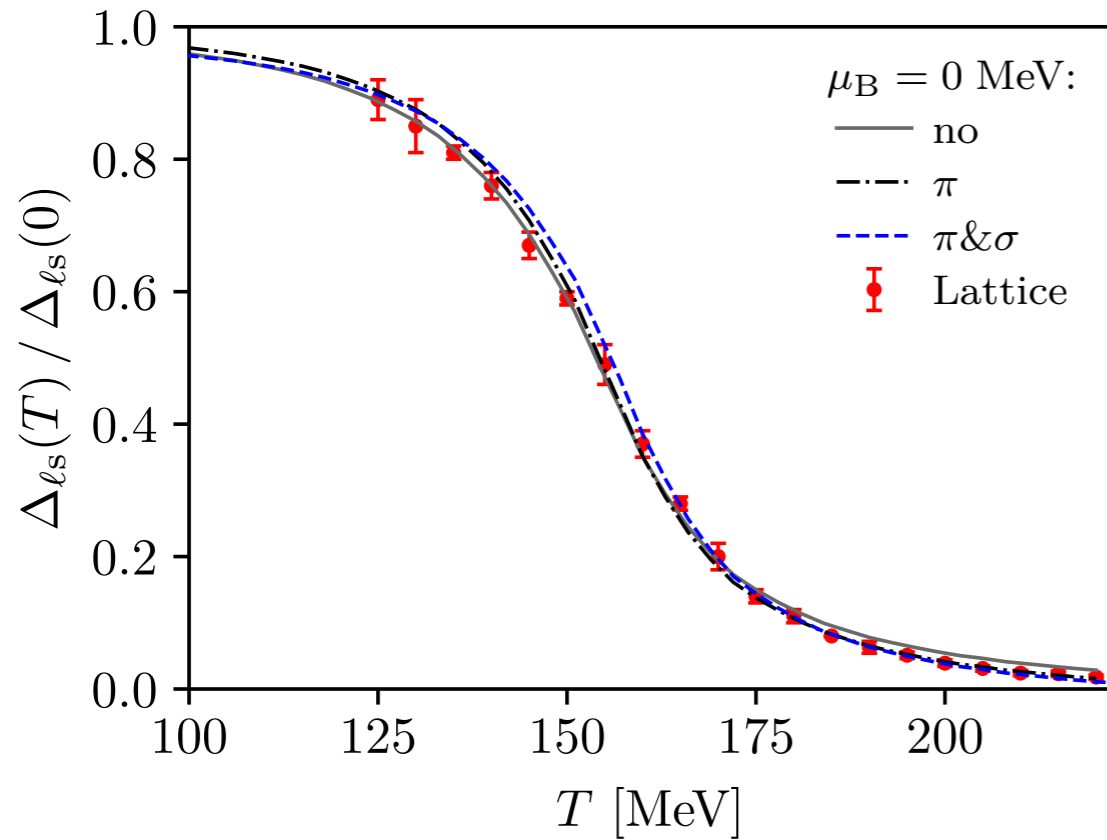
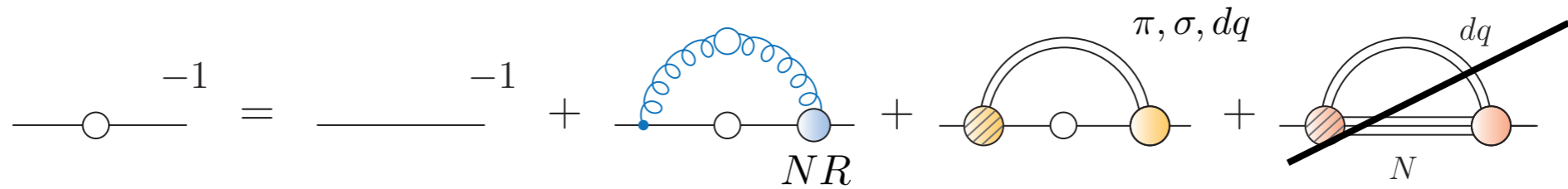
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Gunkel, CF, PRD 104 (2021) [2106.08356]

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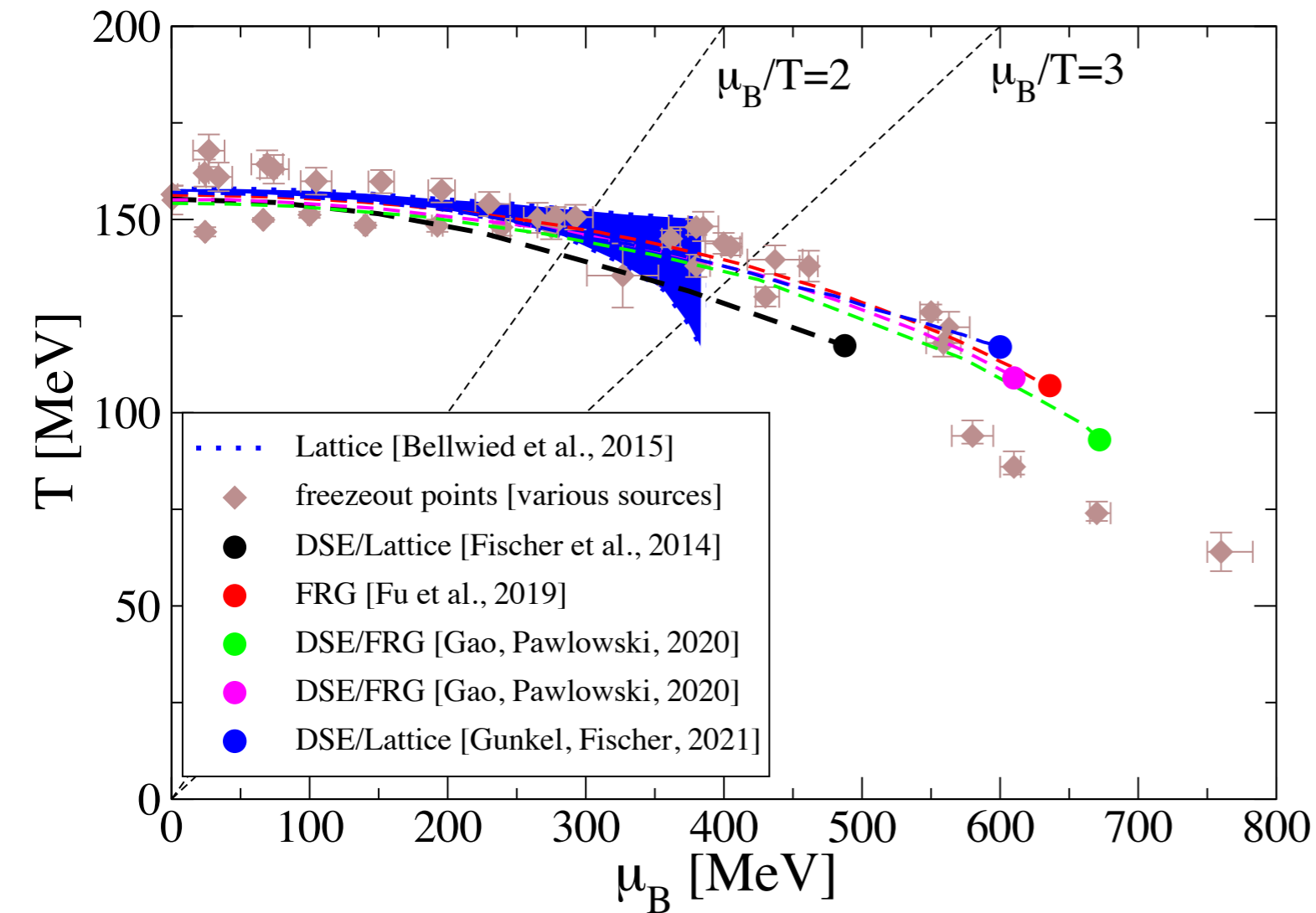
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Gunkel, CF, PRD 104 (2021) [2106.08356]

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- small effects on location of CEP
- μ -dependence of meson wave function taken into account

Location of CEP in freeze-out landscape



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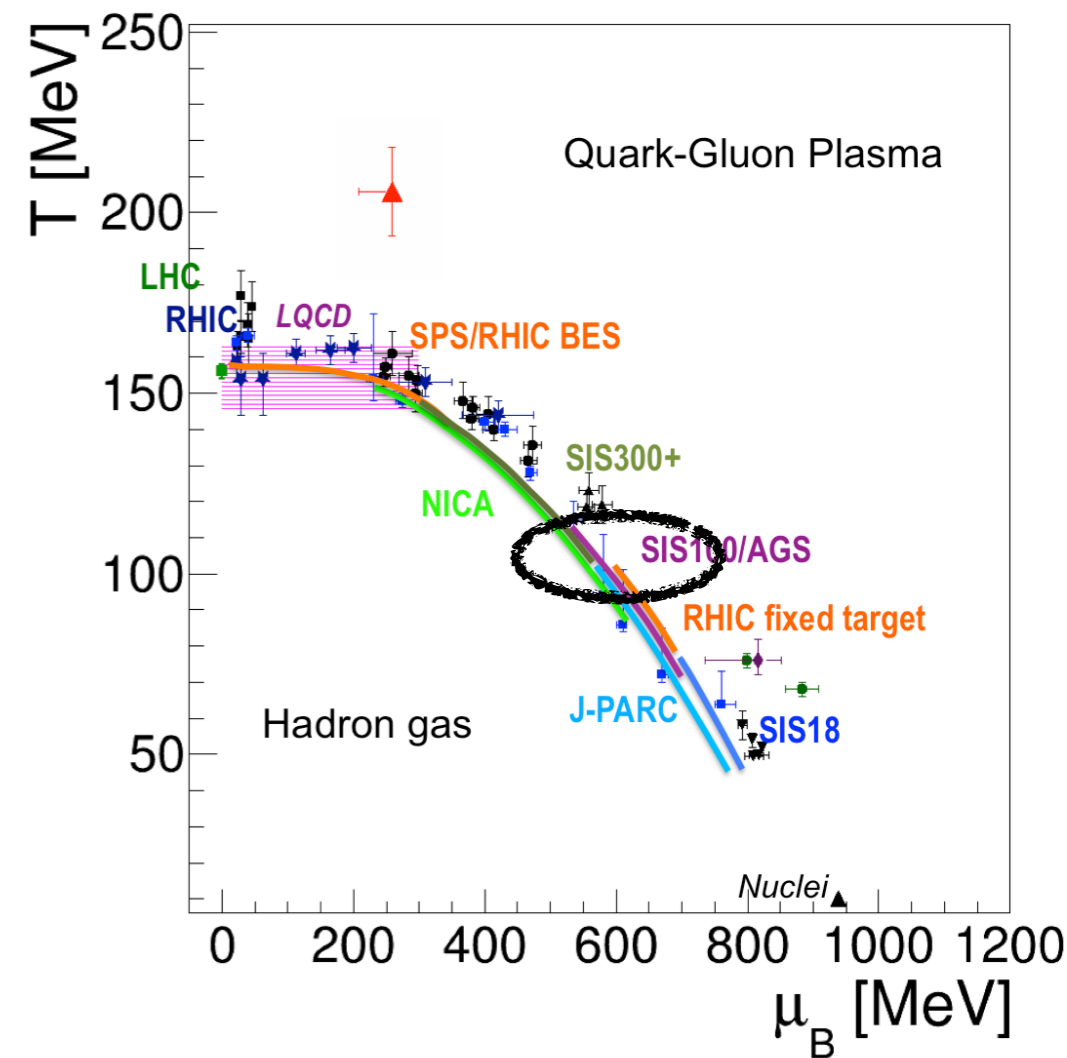
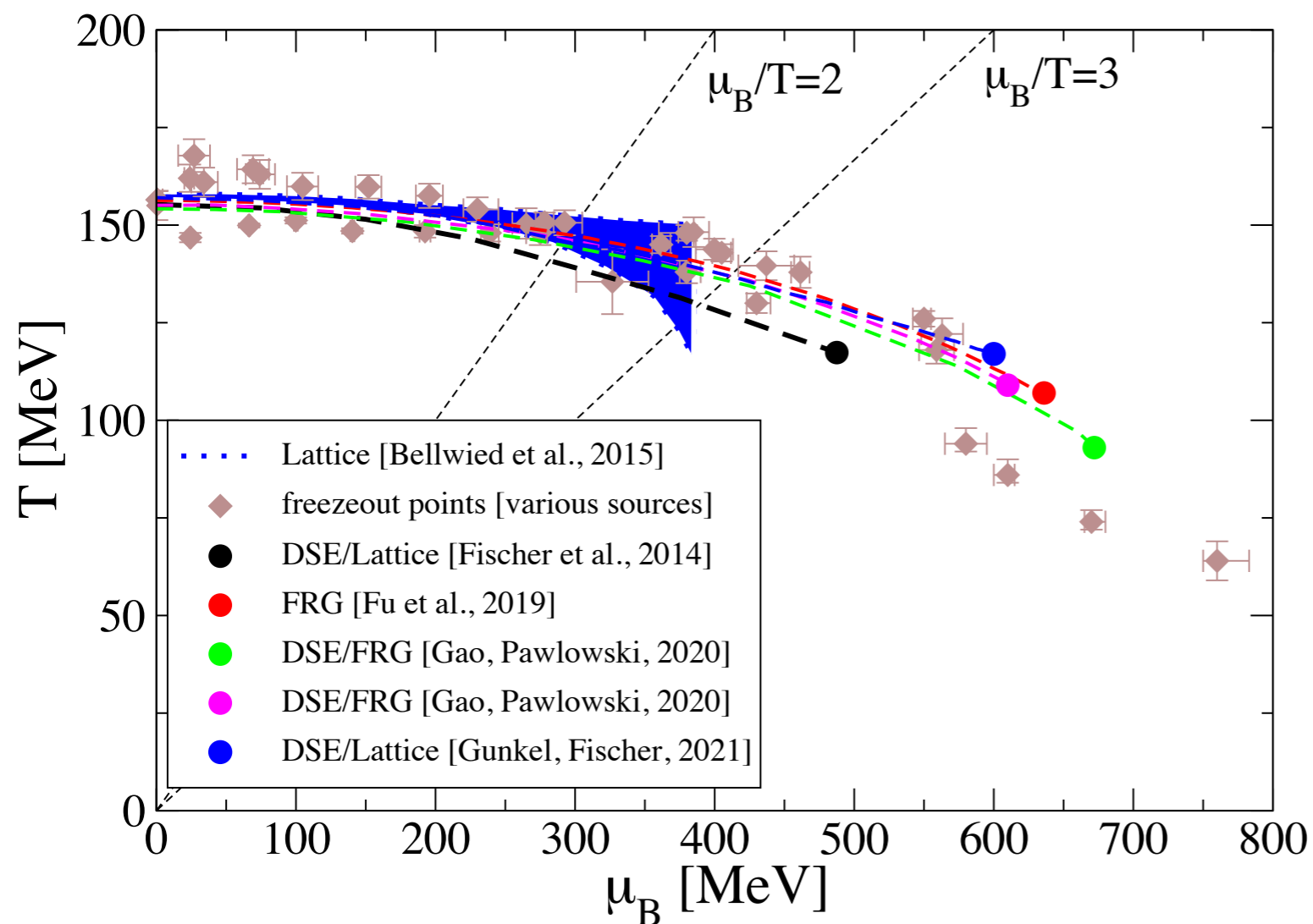


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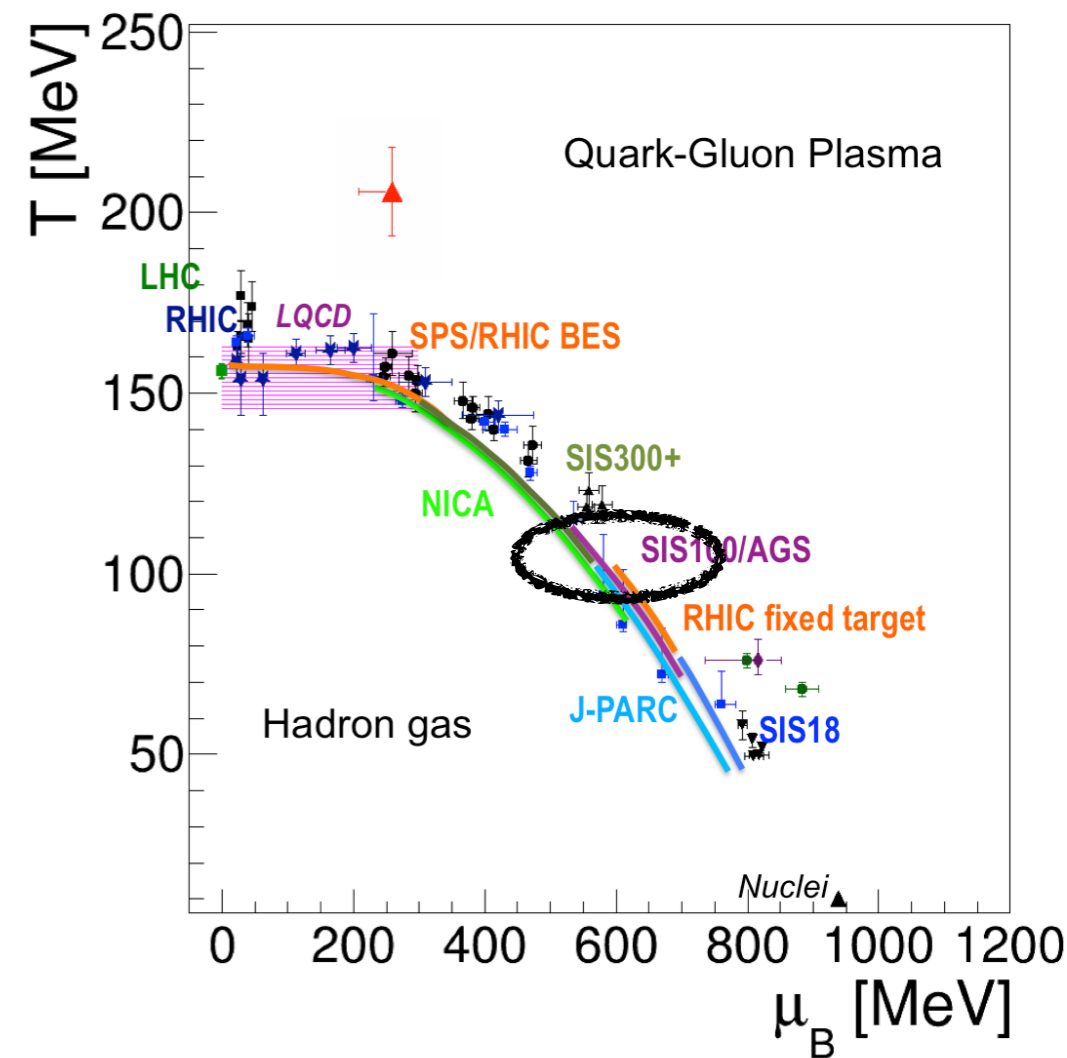
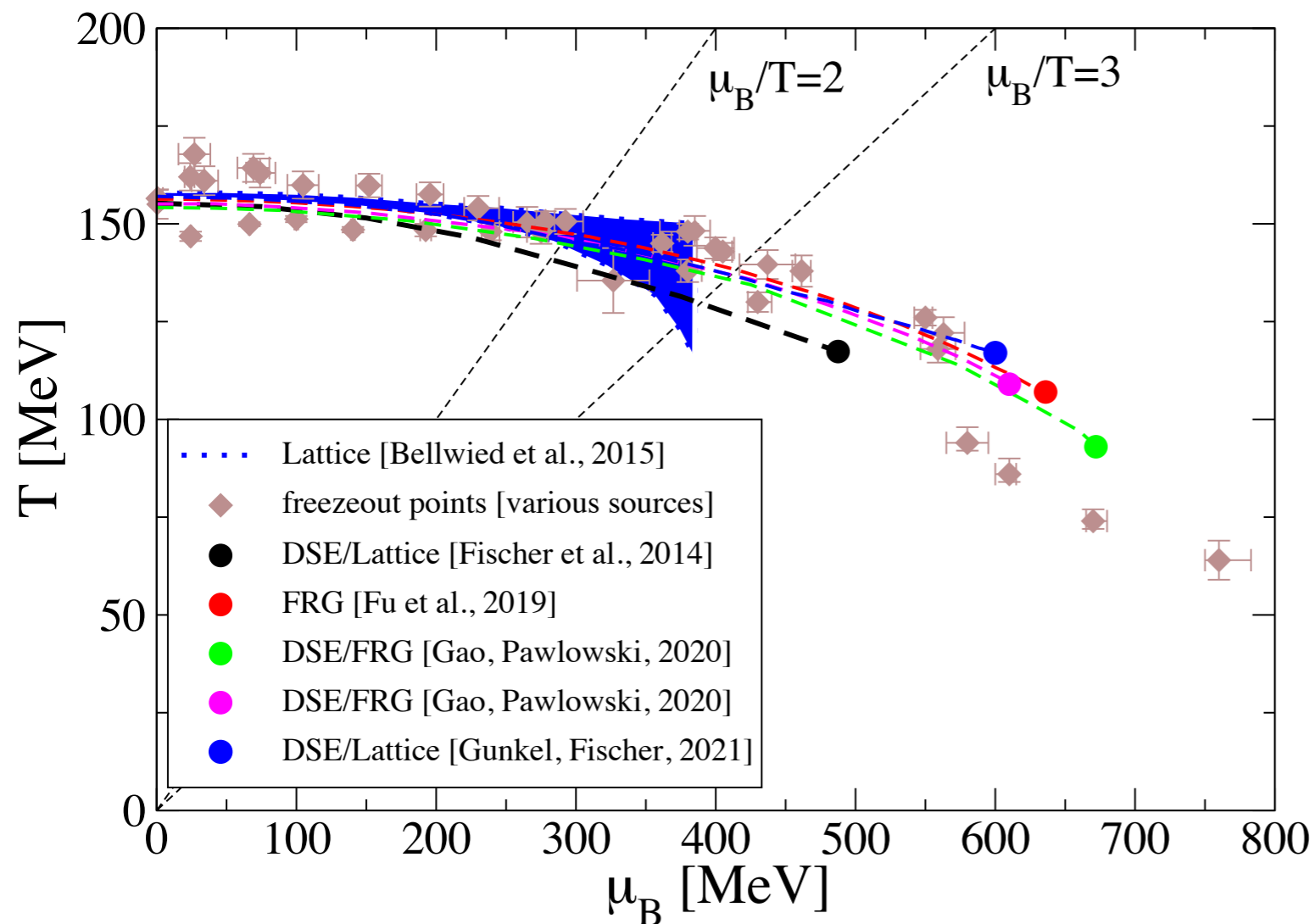


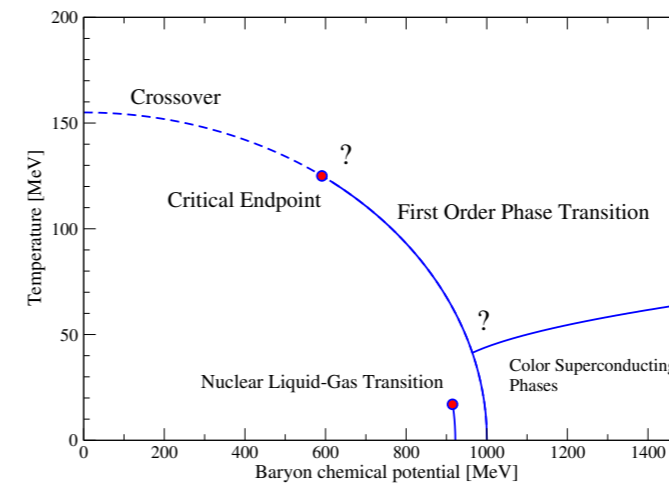
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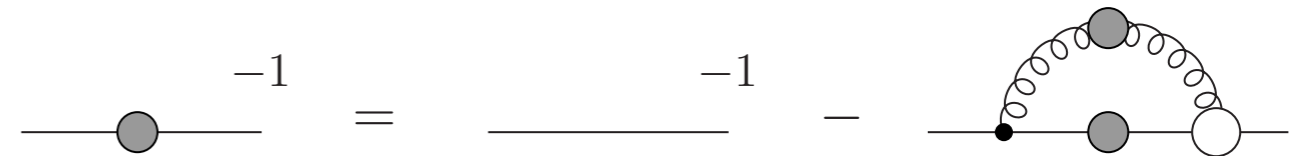
- inhomogeneous phases
- ...

Buballa and Carignano, PPNP 81 (2015) 39

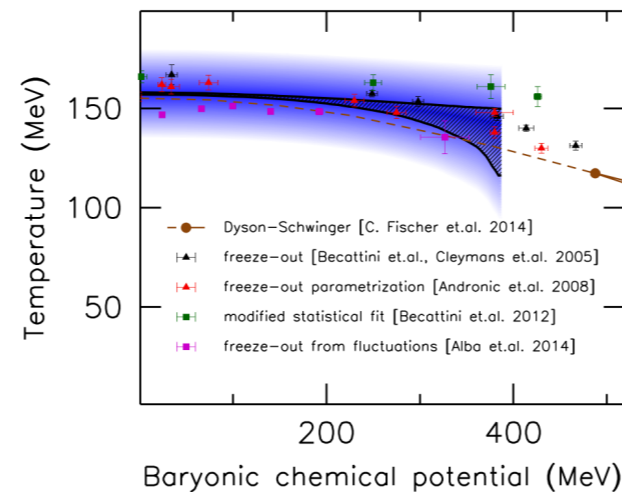
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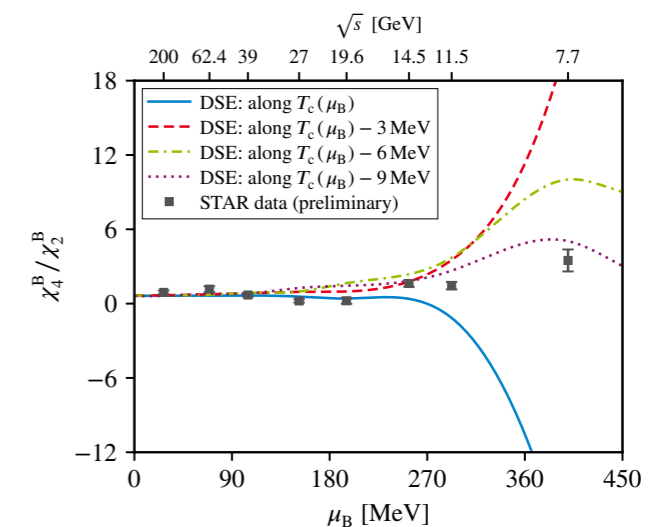
2. Gluons, quarks and DSEs



3. The CEP



4. Fluctuations and large densities



Quark chemical potentials related to those of conserved charges:

$$\mu_u = \mu_B/3 + 2\mu_Q/3$$

$$\mu_d = \mu_B/3 - \mu_Q/3$$

$$\mu_s = \mu_B/3 - \mu_Q/3 - \mu_S$$

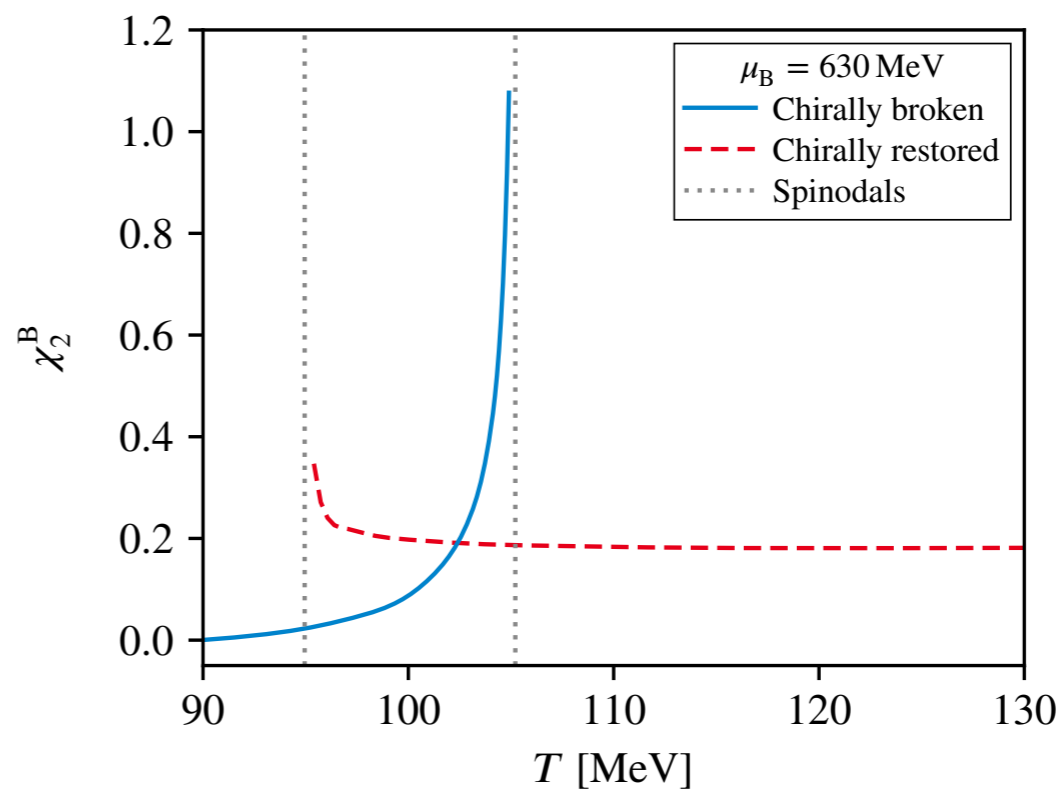
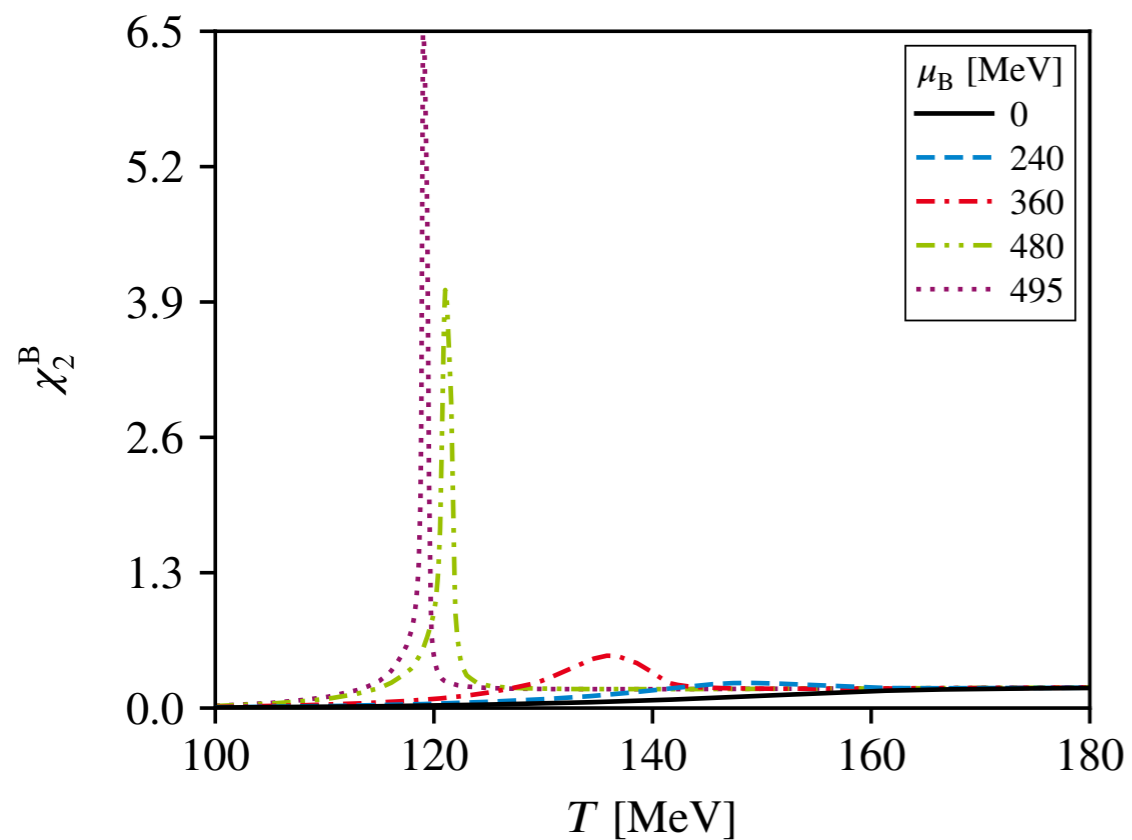
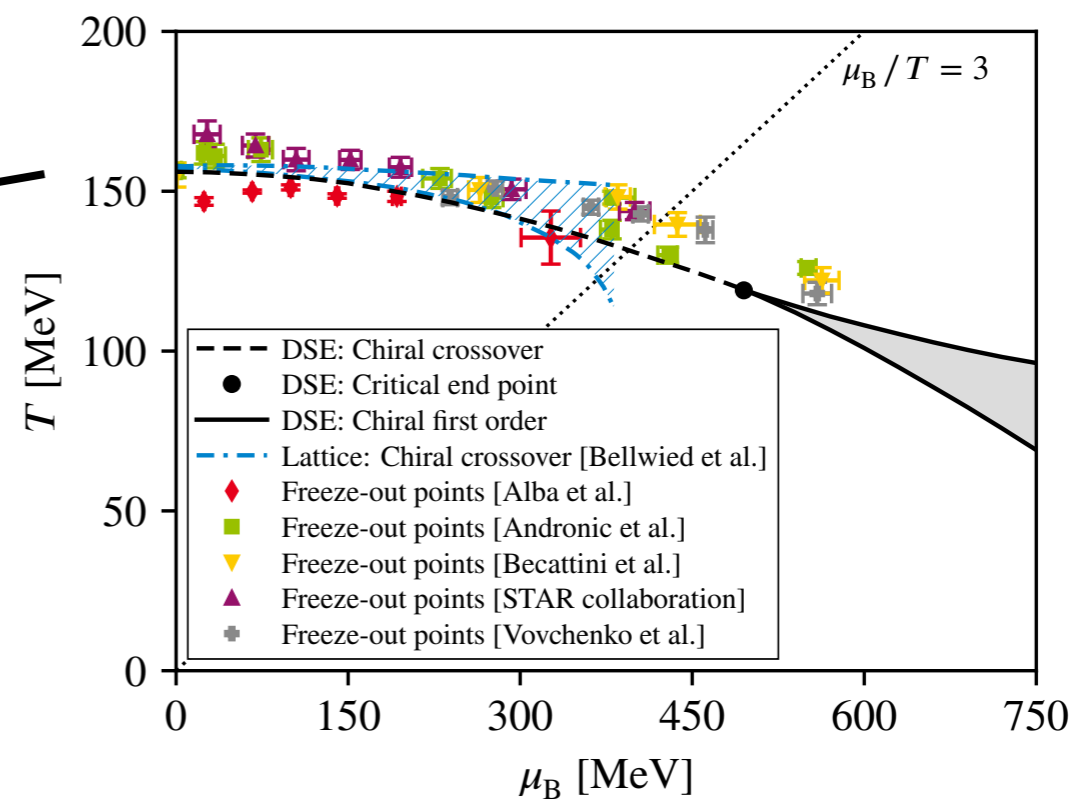
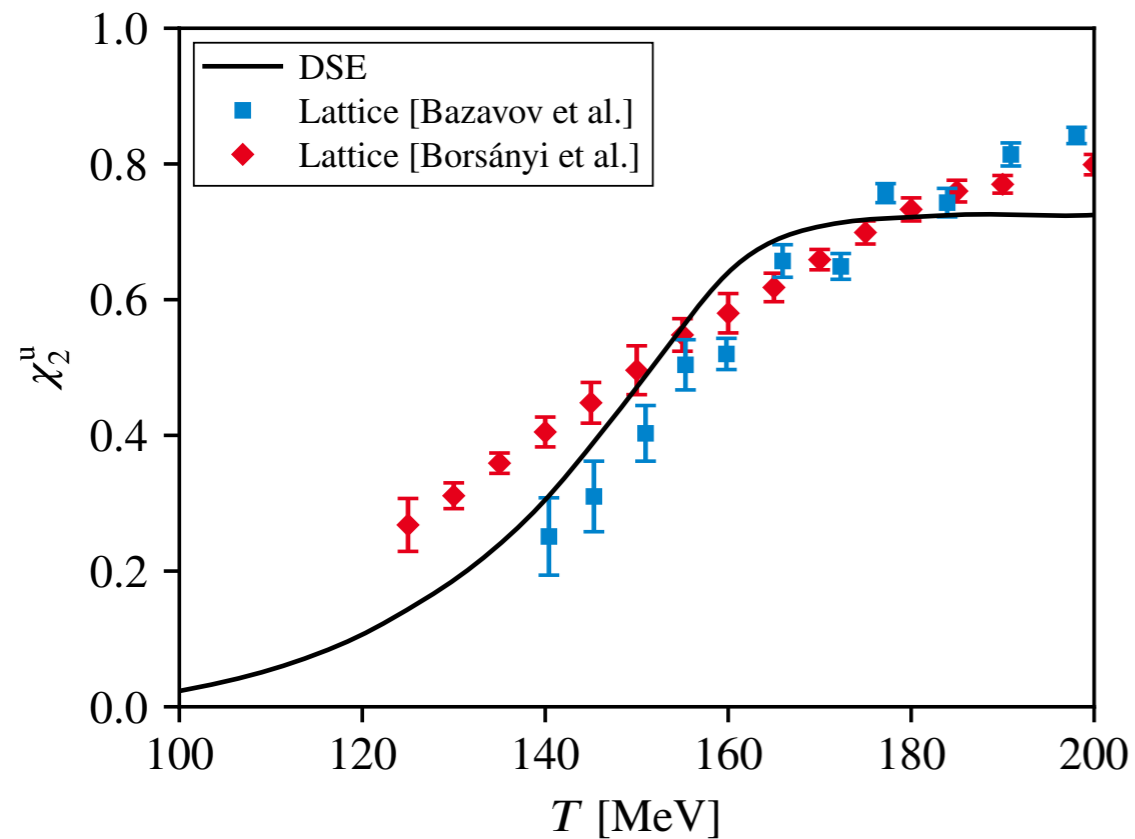
Serve to calculate susceptibilities:

$$\chi_{lmn}^{BSQ} = \frac{\partial^{l+m+n} (p/T^4)}{\partial(\mu_B/T)^l \partial(\mu_S/T)^m \partial(\mu_Q/T)^n}$$

Related to cumulants, which can be extracted from experiment:

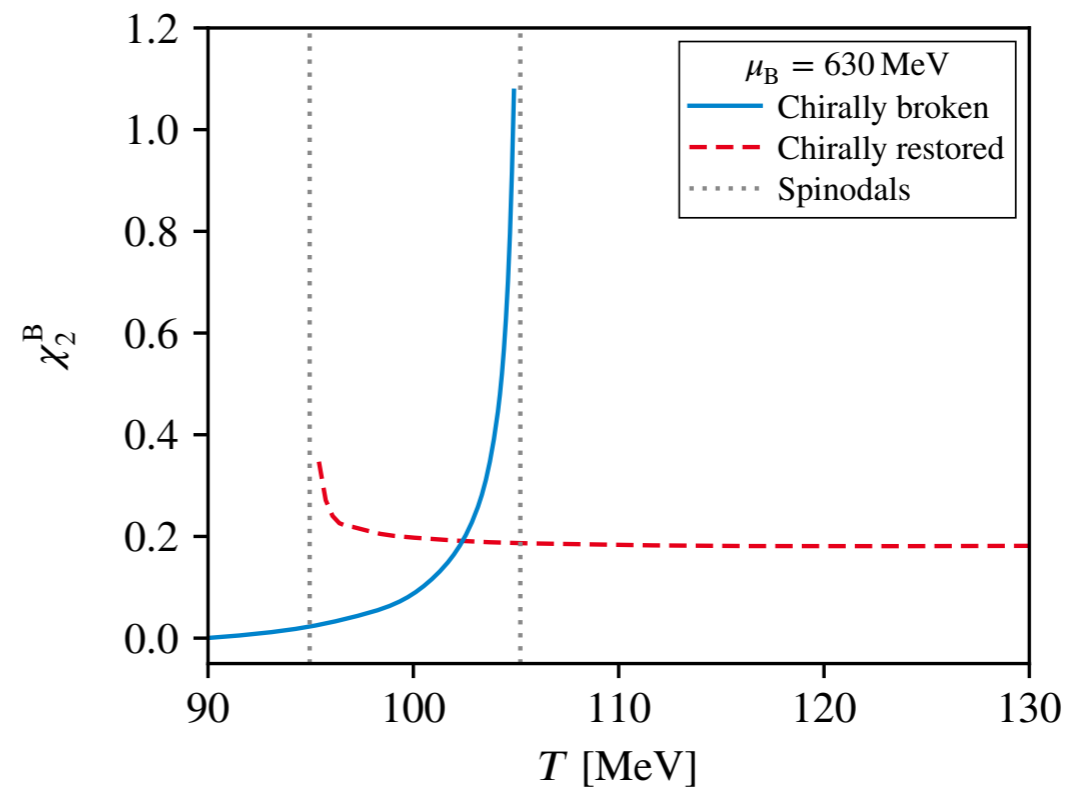
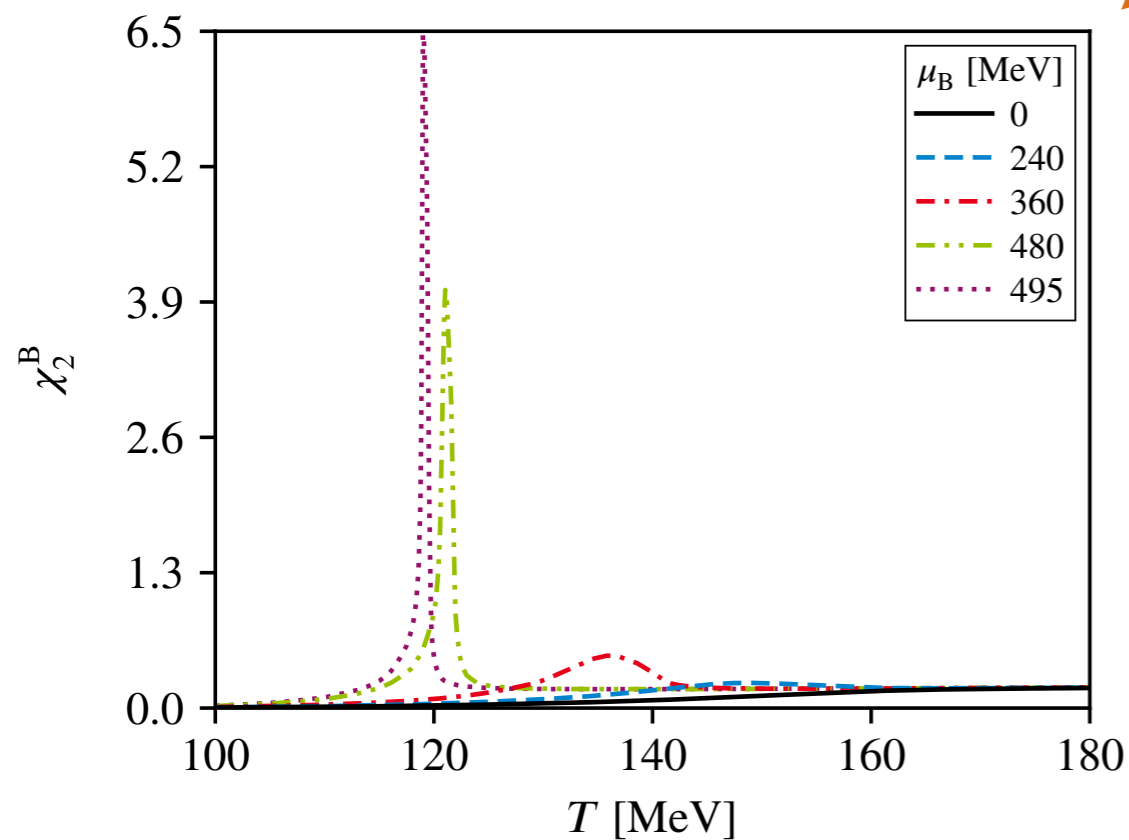
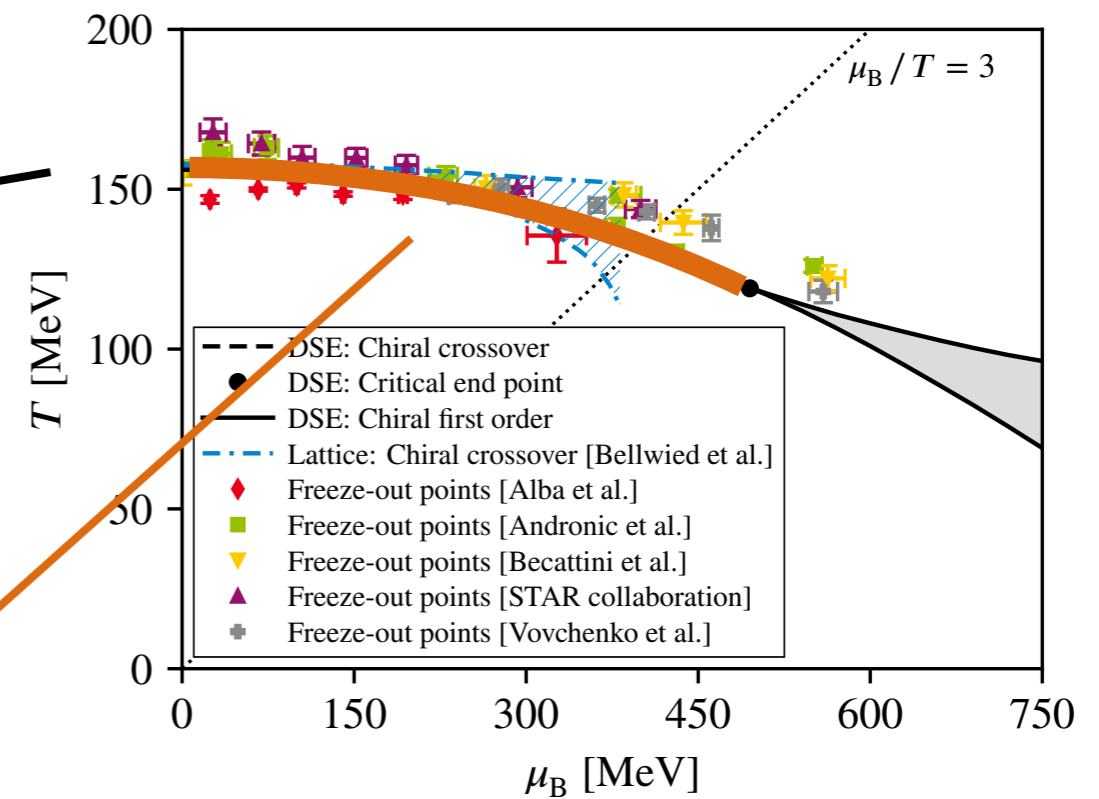
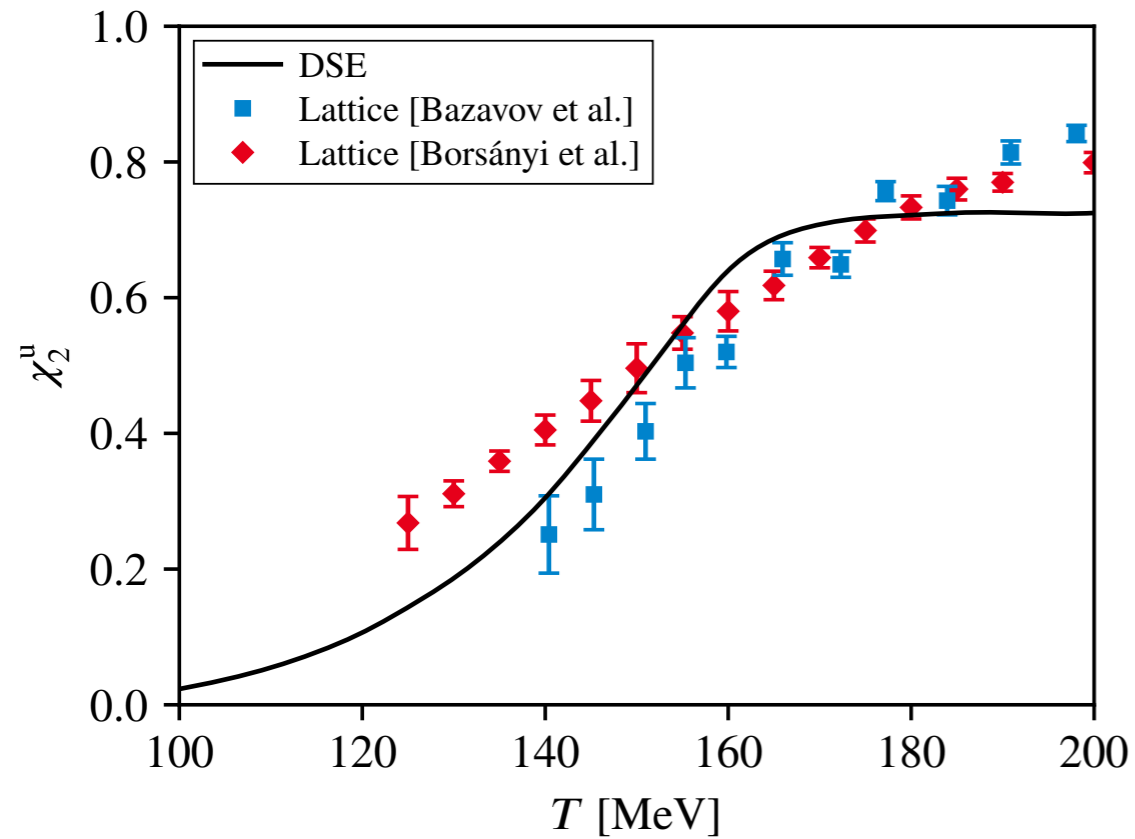
$$C_{lmn}^{BSQ} = VT^3 \chi_{lmn}^{BSQ}$$

Results for fluctuations



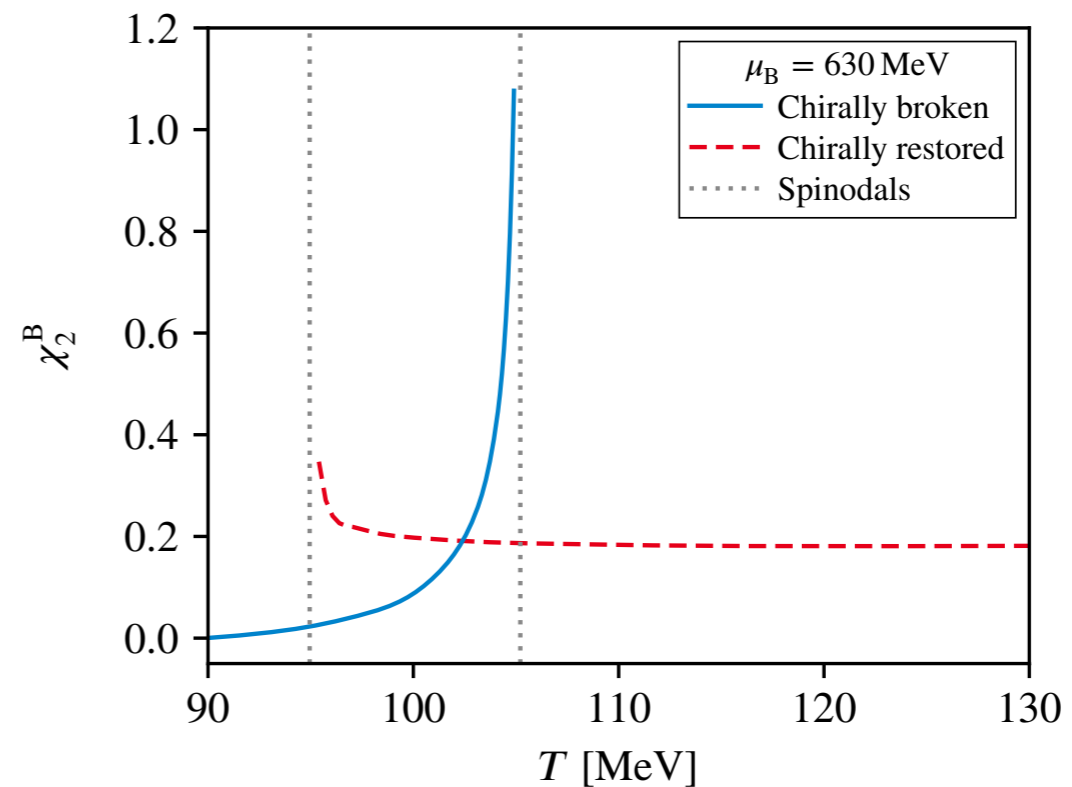
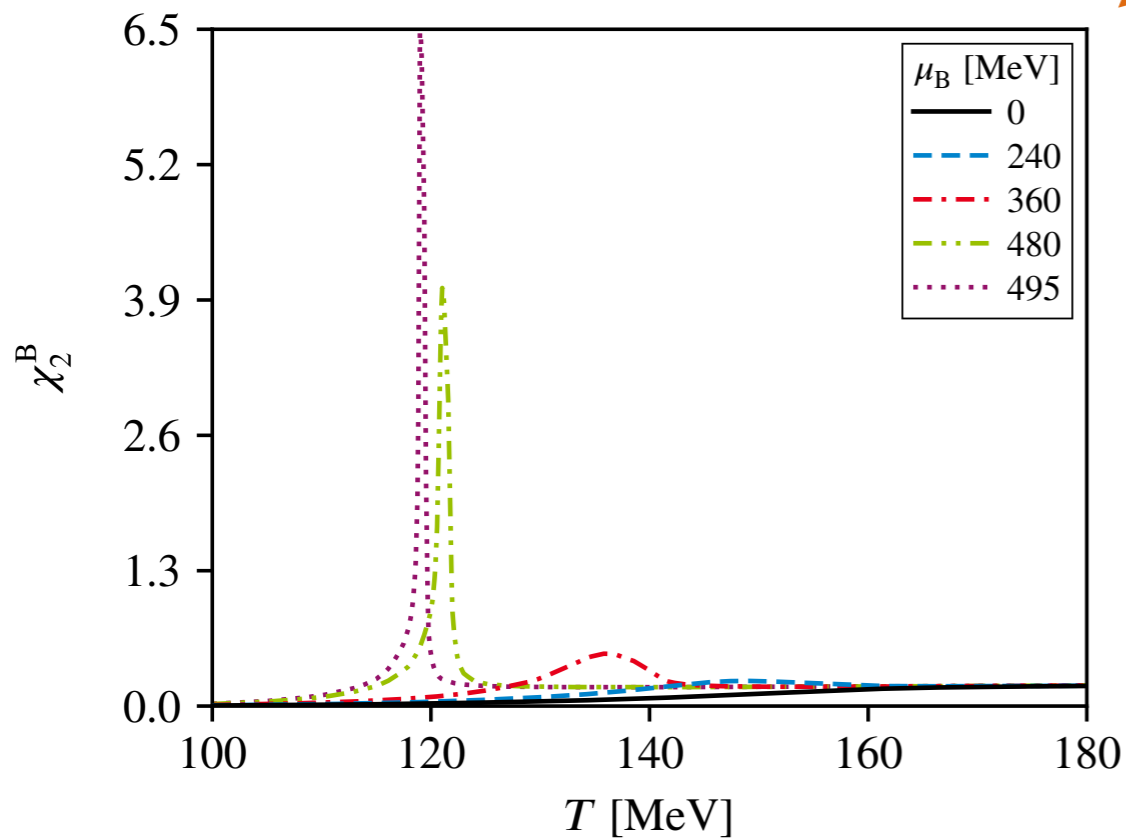
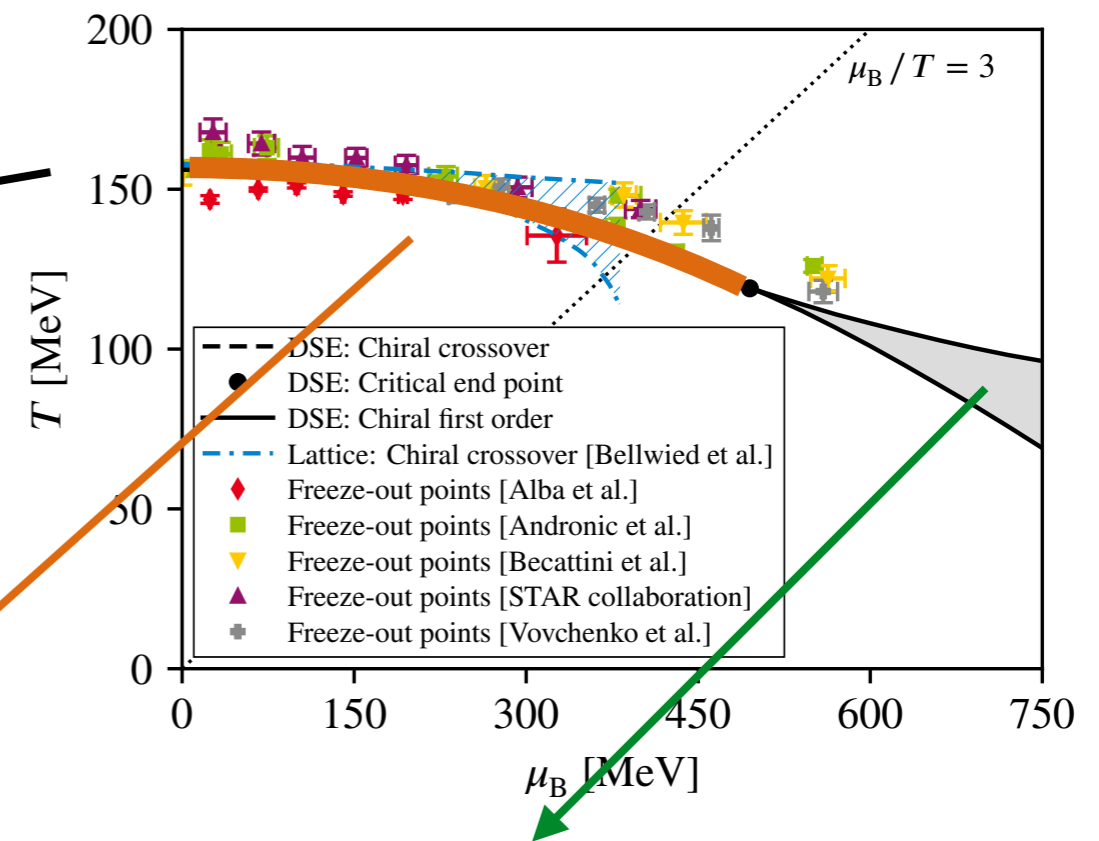
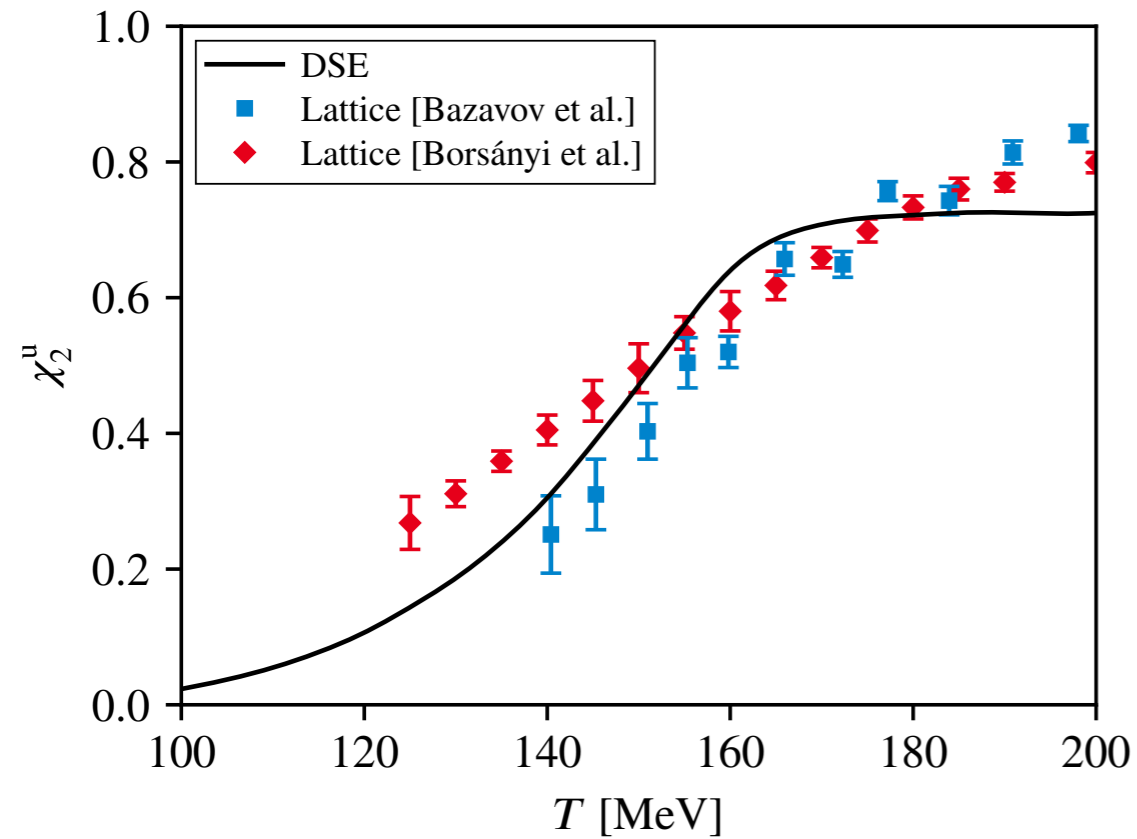
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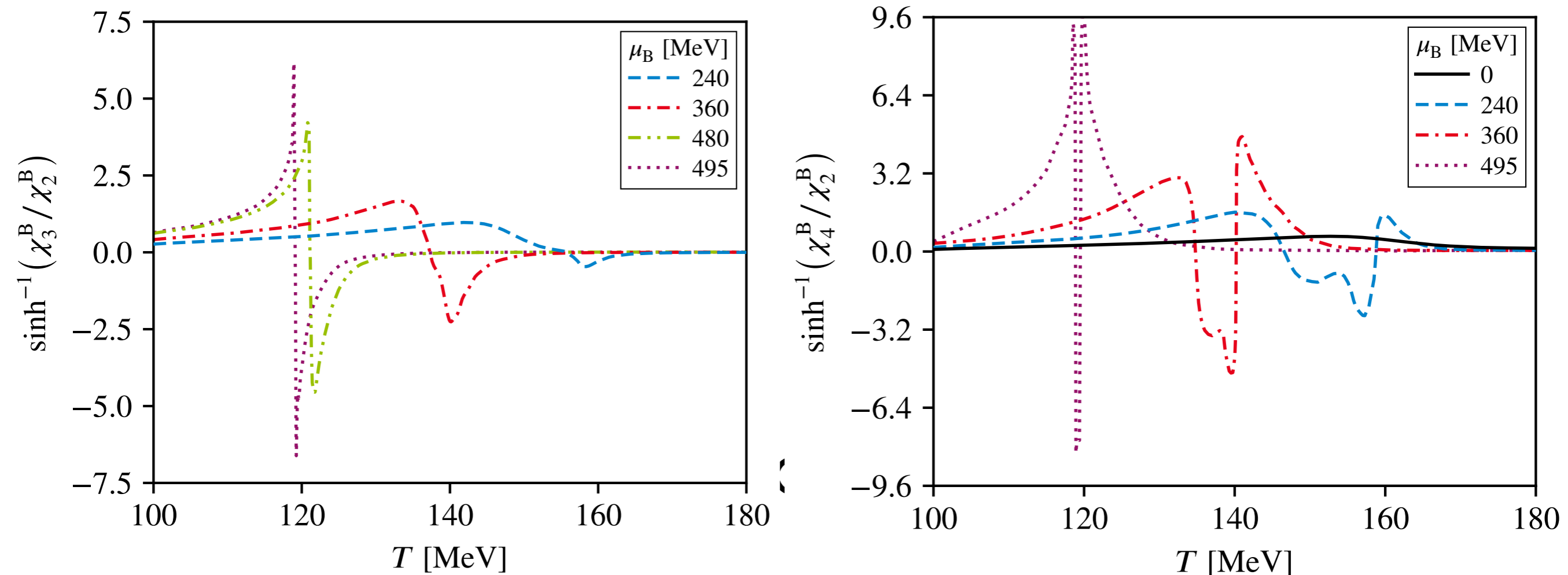
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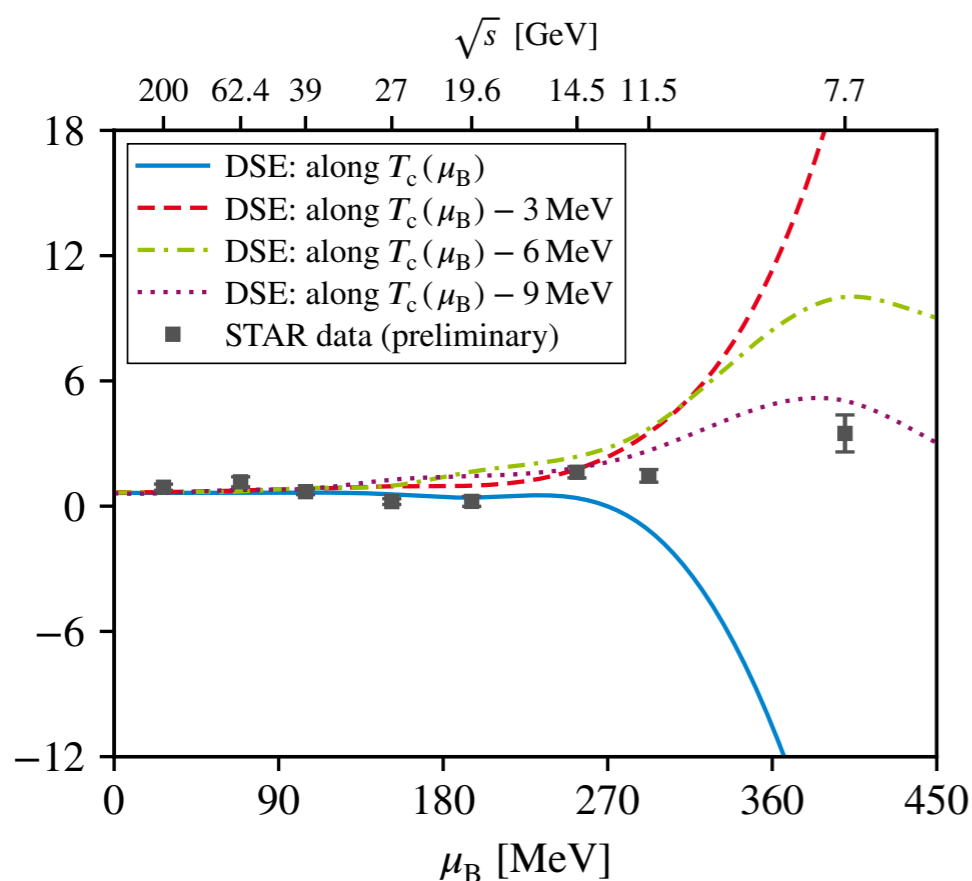
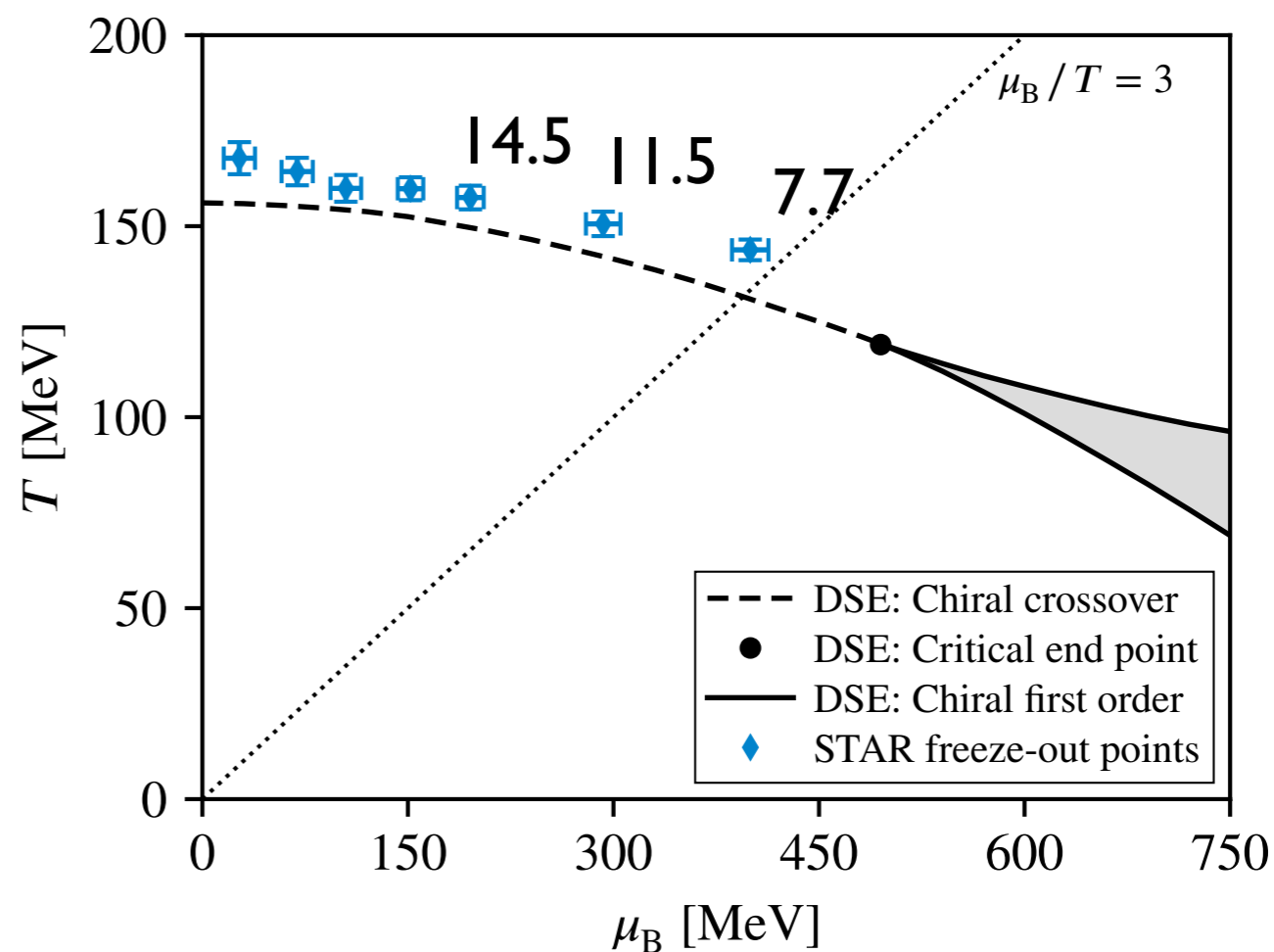
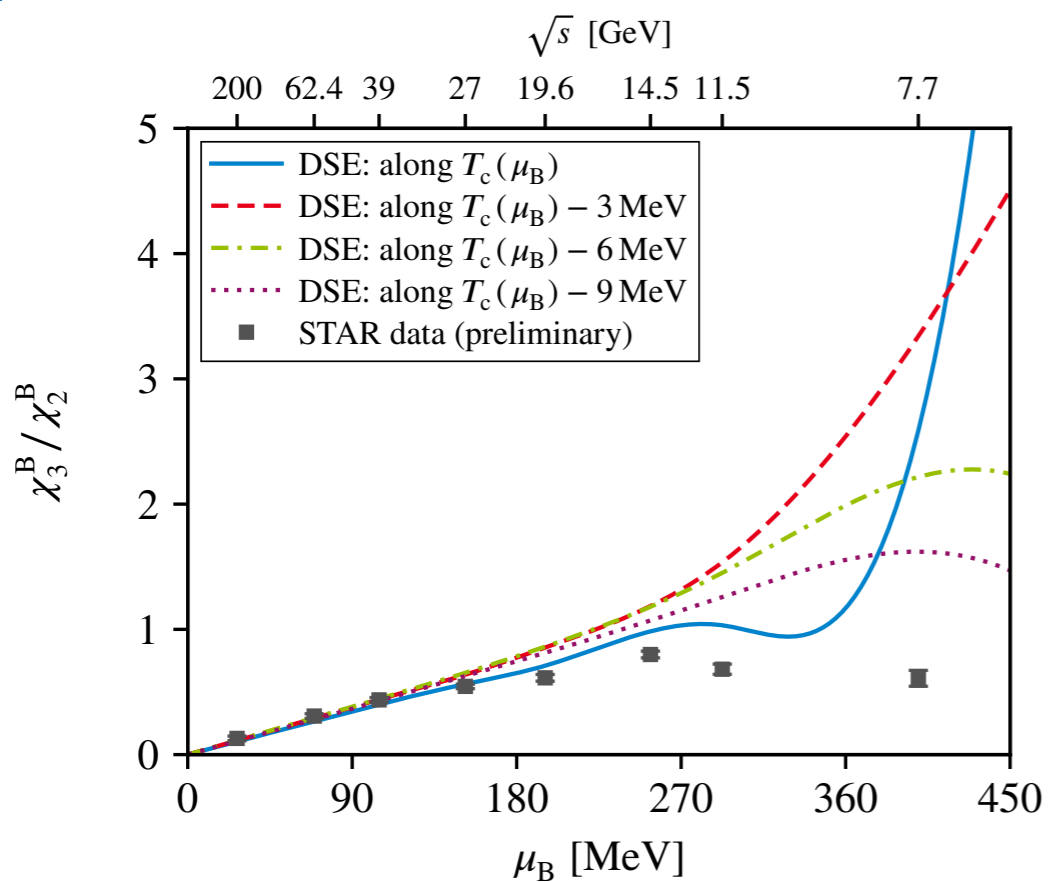


Caveats when comparing with experiment:

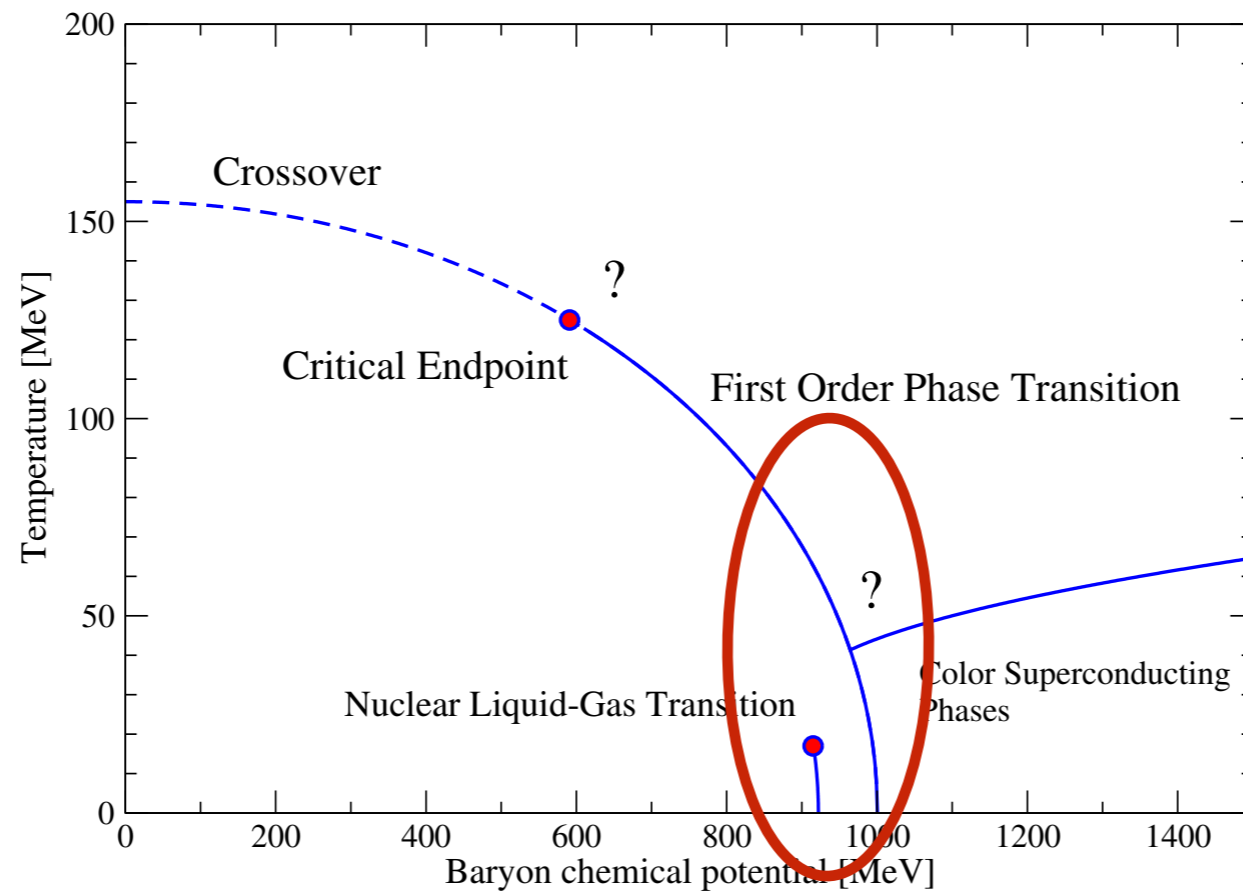
- so far only flavor-diagonal elements taken into account
- critical region may be too large...
- experimental extraction not without problems

Schaefer and Wambach, PRD 75 (2007) 085015

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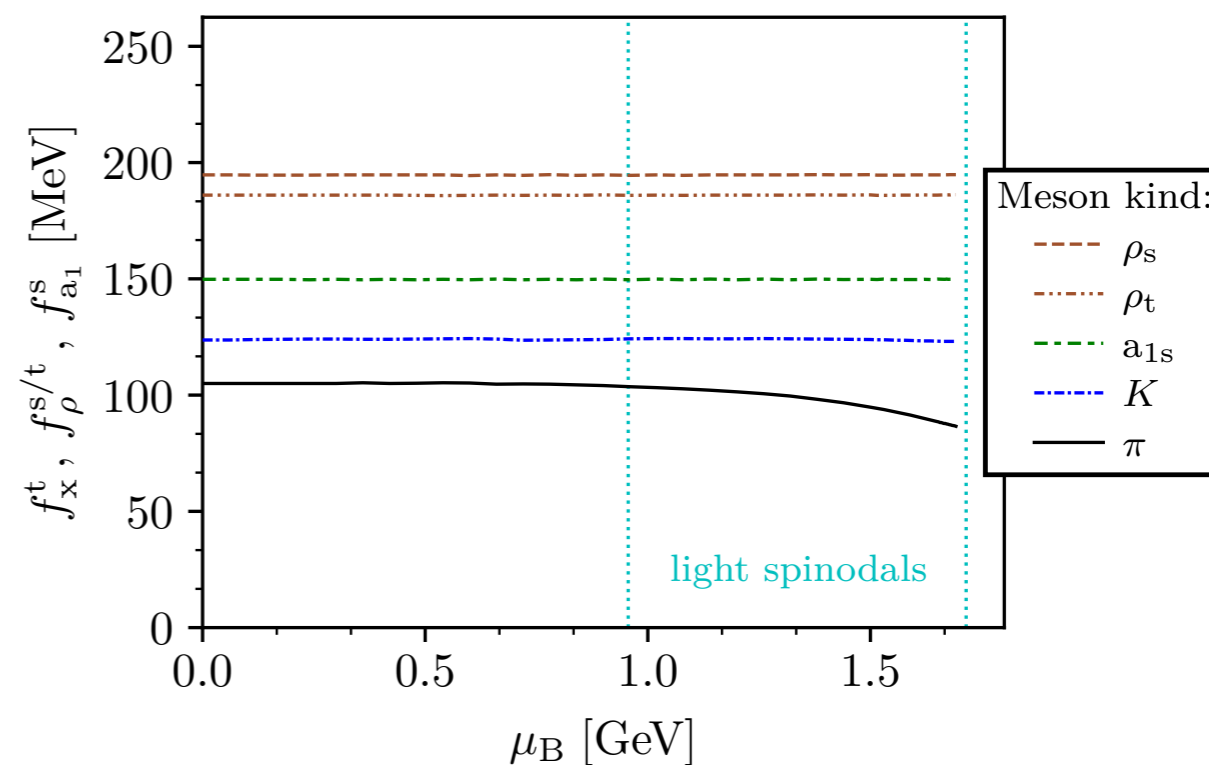
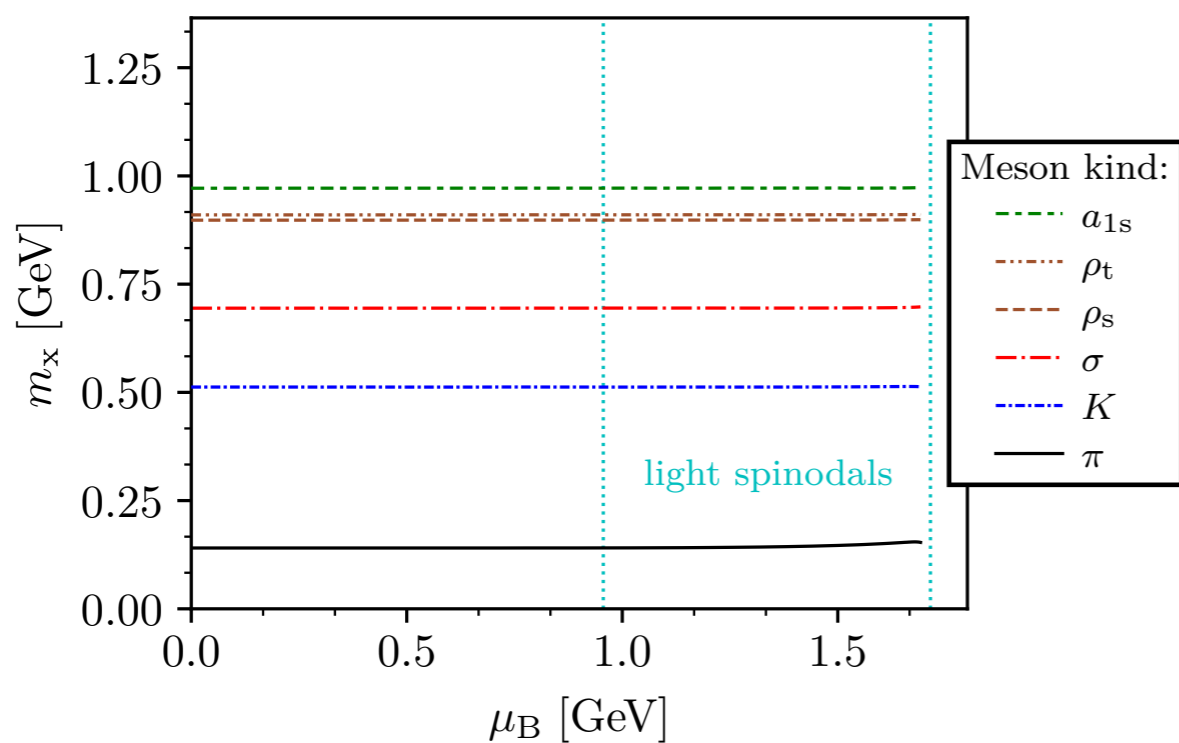
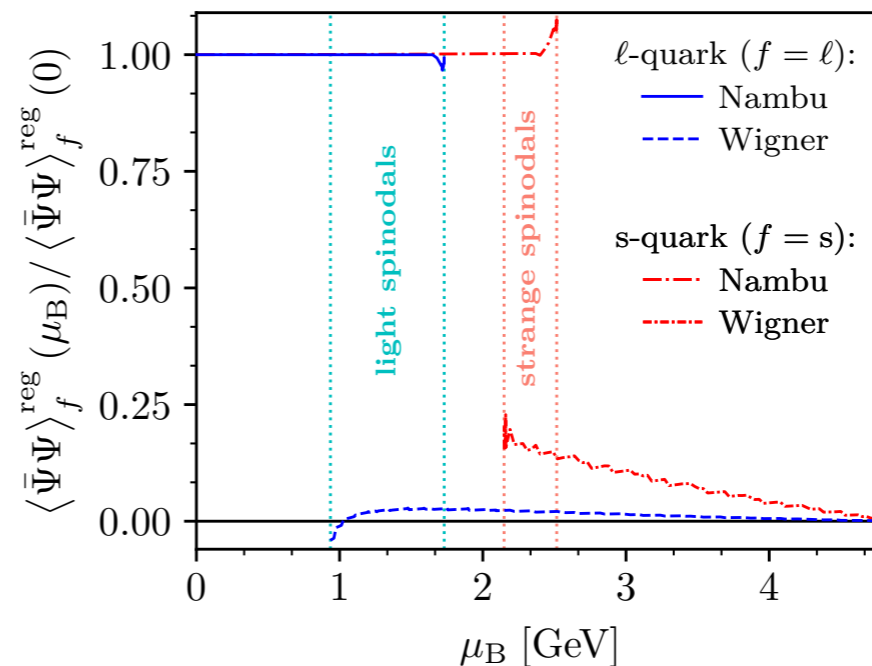
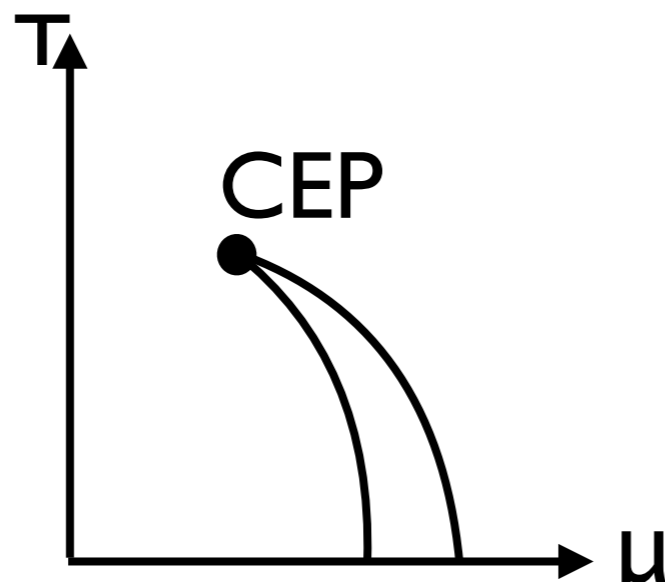


$\sqrt{s} \geq 14.5$: good agreement
 $\sqrt{s} = 11.5$: trend ok!
 $\sqrt{s} \leq 7.7$: freezeout line \neq transition line ?!



- Relevant for physics of neutron stars/mergers
- Second CEP ?

Meson properties at finite chemical potential



● Silver blaze satisfied

T. D. Cohen, PRL 91, 222001 (2003)

● But quarks/meson wave functions do change !

Gunkel, CF, Isserstedt, EPJ A 55 (2019) no.9, 169
Gunkel, CF, EPJ A 57 (2021) no. 4, 147

Summary: QCD with functional methods

Main goals:

- **one** framework for all areas of hadron physics: mesons, baryons, 'exotic states', form factors, hadronic contributions to precision observables ($g-2$)
- **same** framework for QCD phase diagram

Main challenge:

- systematic control over error budget: intrinsic, cp with FRG, cp with lattice QCD

Main results:

- not high precision physics but competitive contributions in many areas
- QCD-based tool to explore phase diagram at large μ at physical quark masses

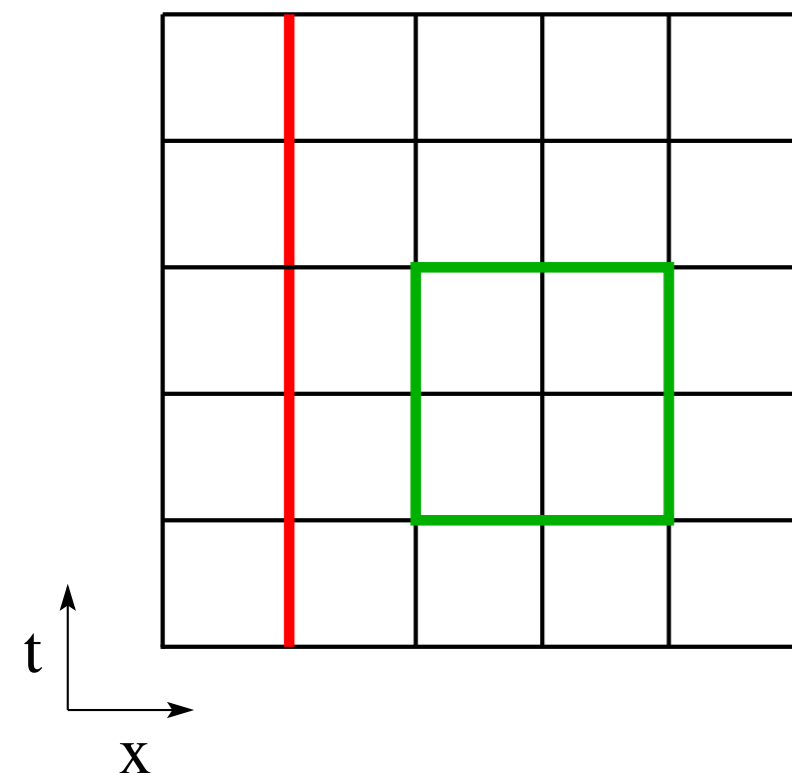
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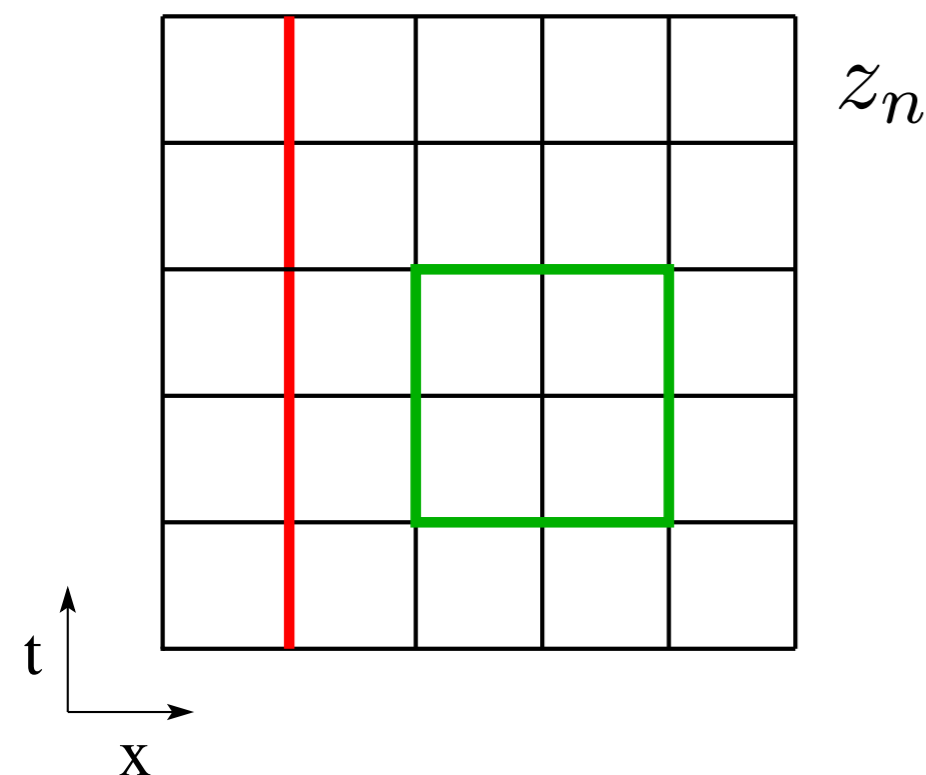
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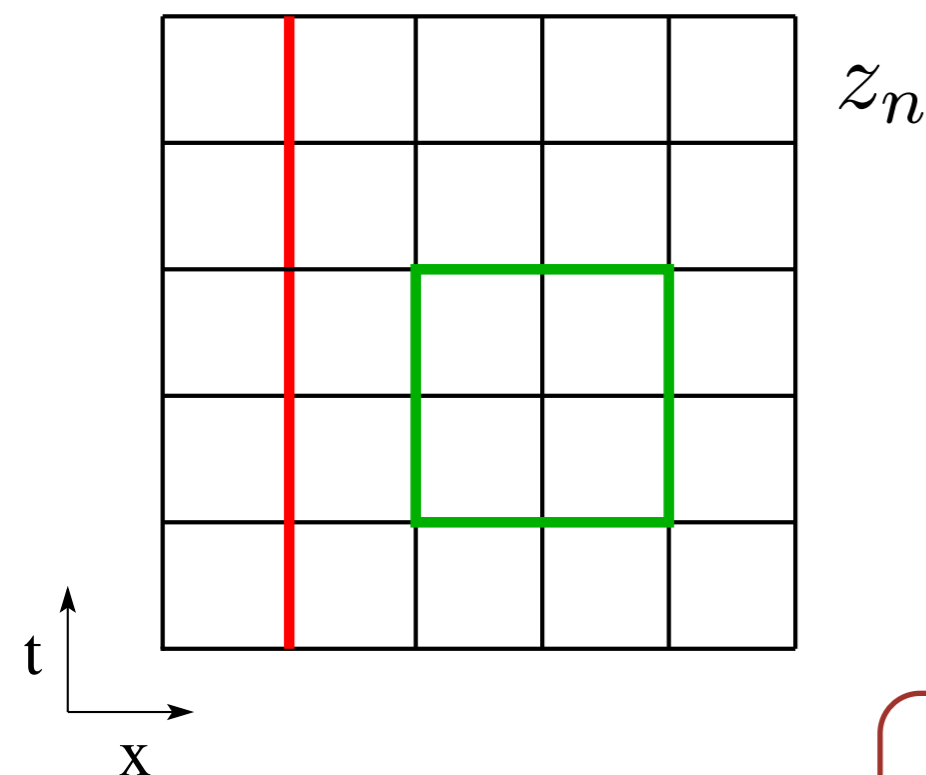
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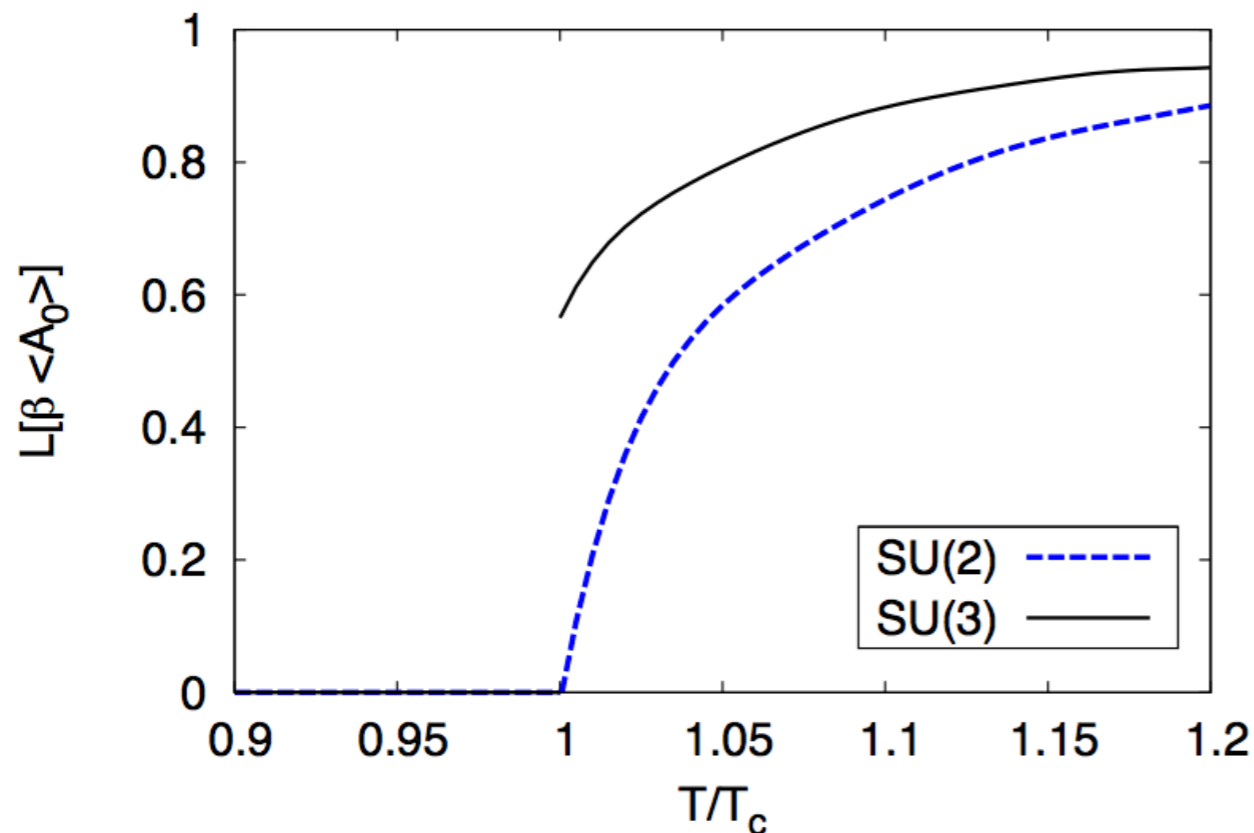
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Energy of an isolated quark

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$$\langle \text{Tr } \Phi \rangle \sim e^{-F_q/T} \quad F_q = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{unbroken } z_n \text{ symmetry} \\ \text{finite} & \text{broken } z_n \text{ symmetry} \end{cases}$$

F_q : free energy of heavy quark



Braun, Gies, Pawłowski, PLB684 (2010)

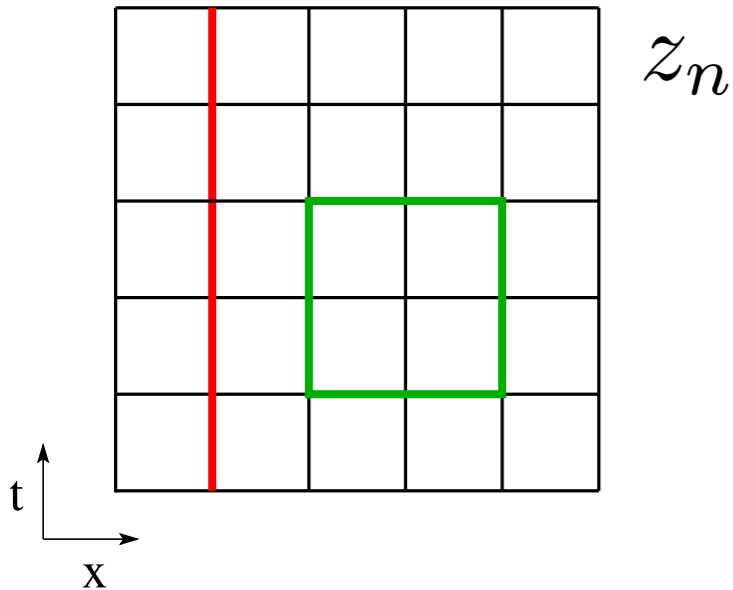
Order parameter!

- SU(2): second order
- SU(3): first order

Order parameter: the dressed Polyakov-loop

ordinary Polyakov-loop:

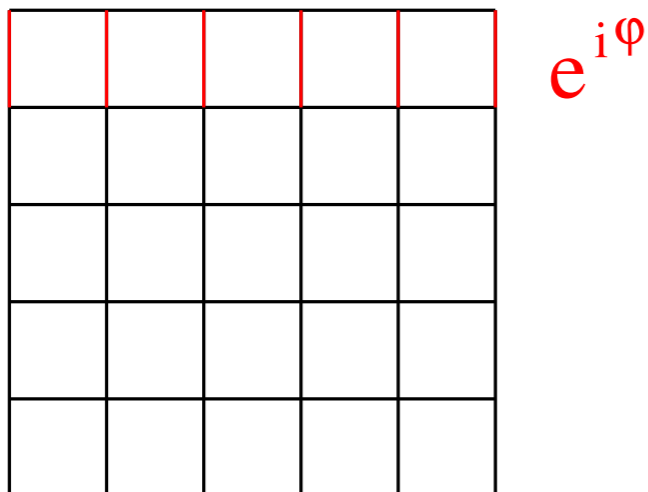
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sensitive to center transformation

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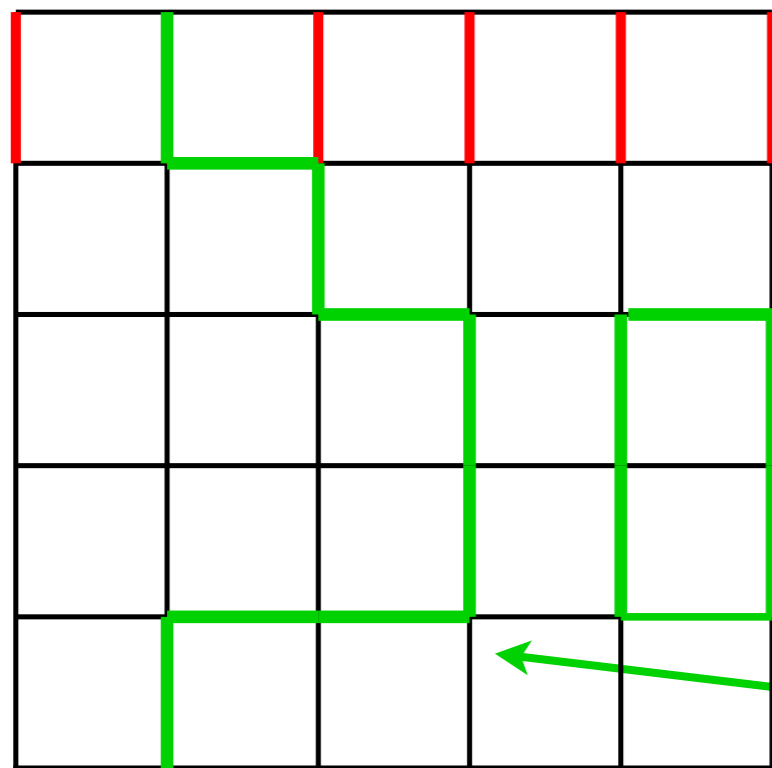
Now consider general U(1)-valued boundary conditions in temporal direction for quark fields:



$$\psi(\vec{x}, 1/T) = e^{i\varphi} \psi(\vec{x}, 0)$$

$$\omega(n_t) = (2\pi T)(n_t + \varphi/2\pi)$$

Order parameter: the dressed Polyakov-loop II



$e^{i\varphi}$

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{\varphi} = \frac{1}{Vm} \sum_l \frac{e^{i\varphi n(l)}}{(2am)^{|l|}} \text{Tr}_c U(l)$$

closed loops

m : explicit quark mass

a : lattice spacing

V : volume

$|l|$: Loop length

F. Synatschke, A. Wipf and C. Wozar, PRD **75**, 114003 (2007).

E. Bilgici, F. Bruckmann, C. Gattringer and C. Hagen, PRD **77** (2008) 094007.

Order parameter: the dressed Polyakov-loop III

Define dual condensate:

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- $n=1$ projects out all loops winding once around the torus: **dressed Polyakov-loop**
- Σ_1 transforms under center transformations exactly like ordinary Polyakov-loop:

$$\begin{aligned} z \Sigma_n &= - \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\varphi}{2\pi} e^{-i\varphi n} \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{\varphi+2\pi k/N_c} \\ &= - \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\varphi}{2\pi} e^{-i(\varphi+2\pi k/N_c)n} \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_\varphi \\ &= - z^n \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\varphi}{2\pi} e^{-i\varphi n} \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_\varphi \end{aligned}$$

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- Σ_1 is accessible with Dyson-Schwinger equations or the functional renormalization group

C. Gattringer, PRL 97, 032002 (2006)

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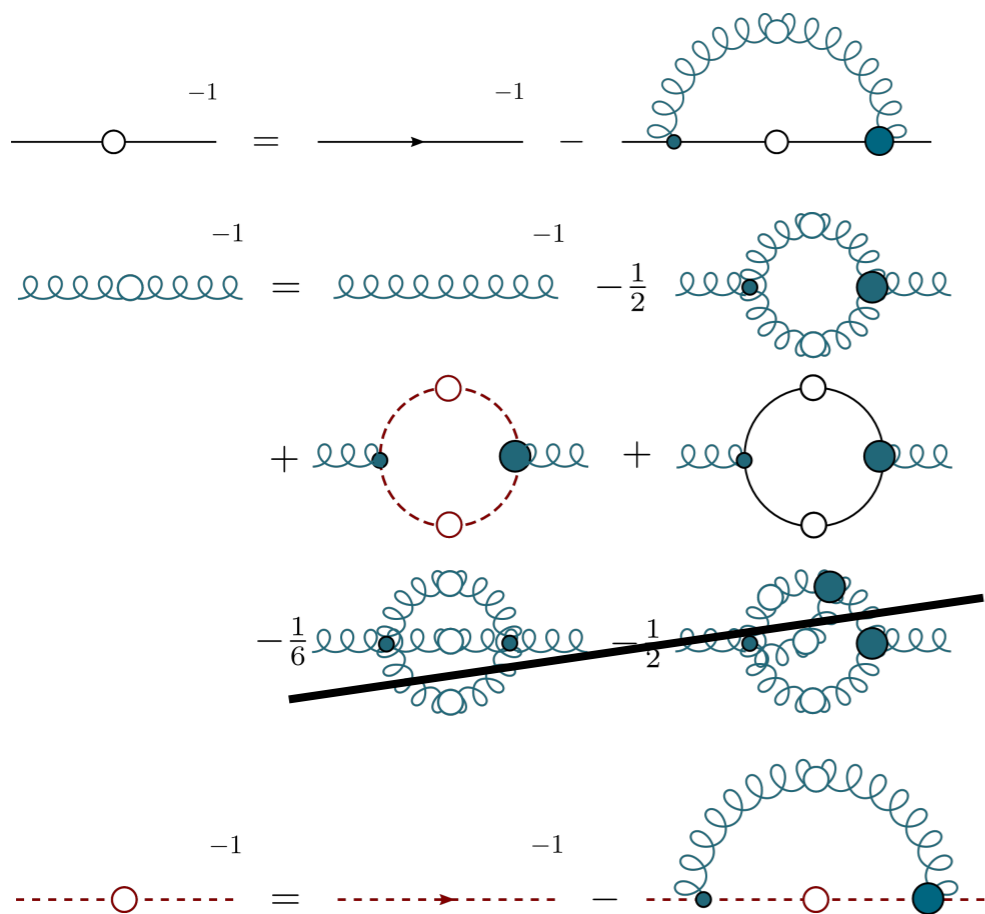
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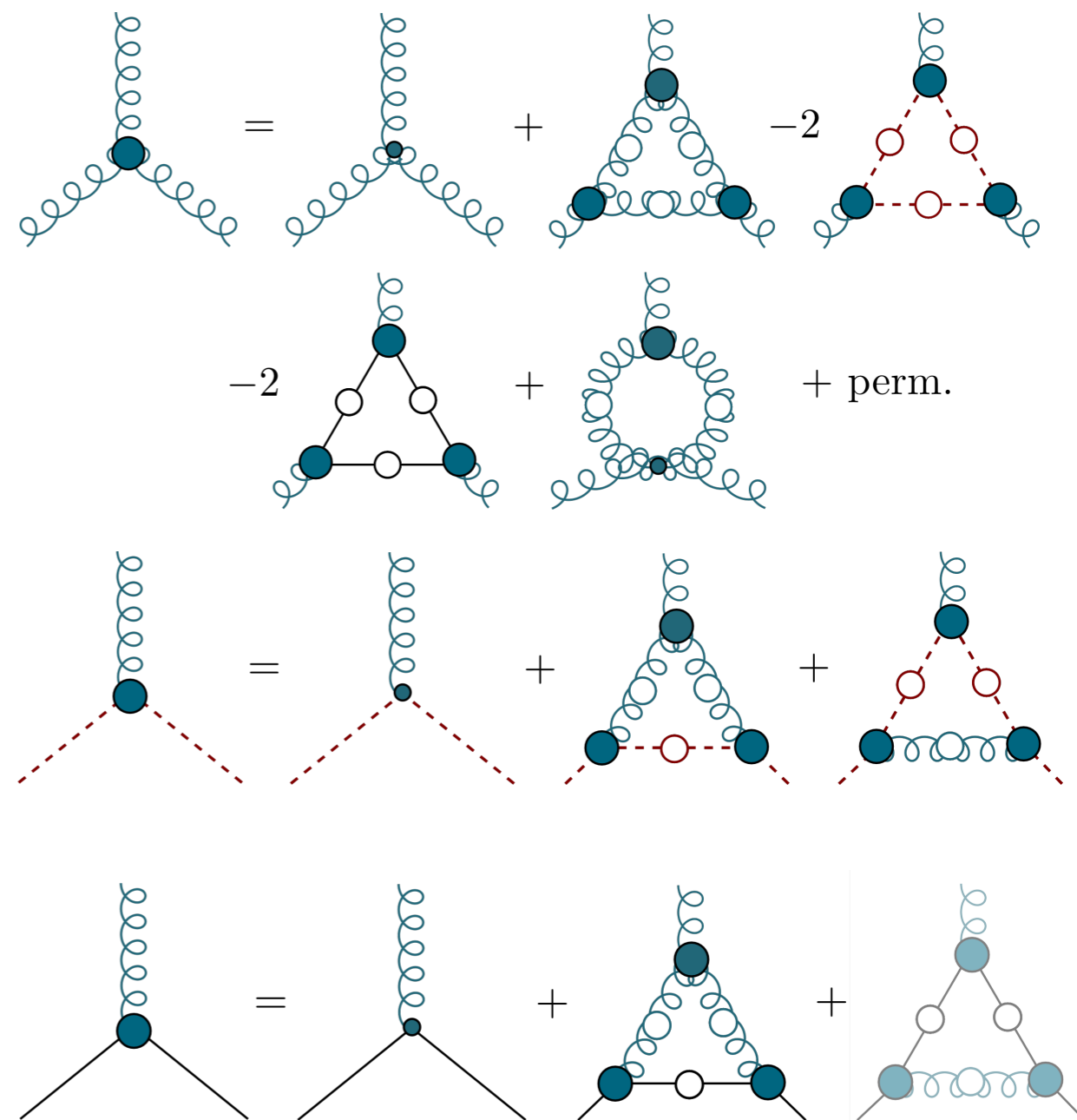
J. Braun, L. Haas, F. Marhauser, J.M. Pawłowski, PRL 106 022002 (2011)

3PI-truncation

propagators



vertices



for different BRL approaches see work of
 Aguilar, Alkofer, Binosi, Blum, Chang, Cyrol, Eichmann, Fister,
 Huber, Maas, Mitter, Papavassiliou, Pawłowski, Roberts, Smekal,
 Strodthoff, Vujanovic, Watson, Williams...

Williams, CF, Heupel, PRD 93 (2016) 034026
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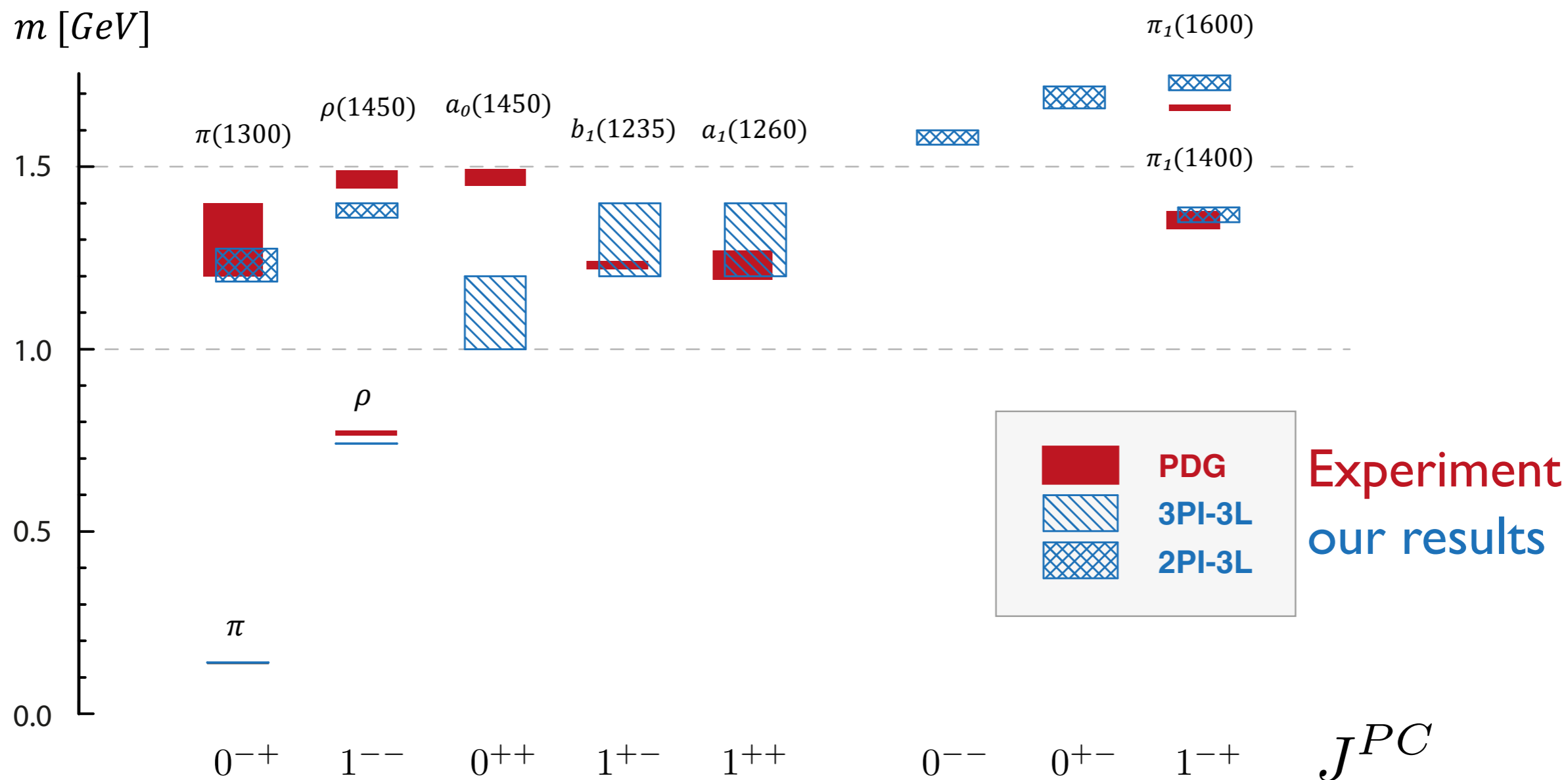
Experiment
our results

$$J^{PC}$$

Williams, CF, Heupel, PRD93 (2016) 034026

- good agreement with experiment in most channels
- special channels:
 - pseudoscalar 0^{++} : (pseudo-) Goldstone bosons
 - scalar 0^{-+} : complicated channel... tetraquarks !

Light meson spectrum



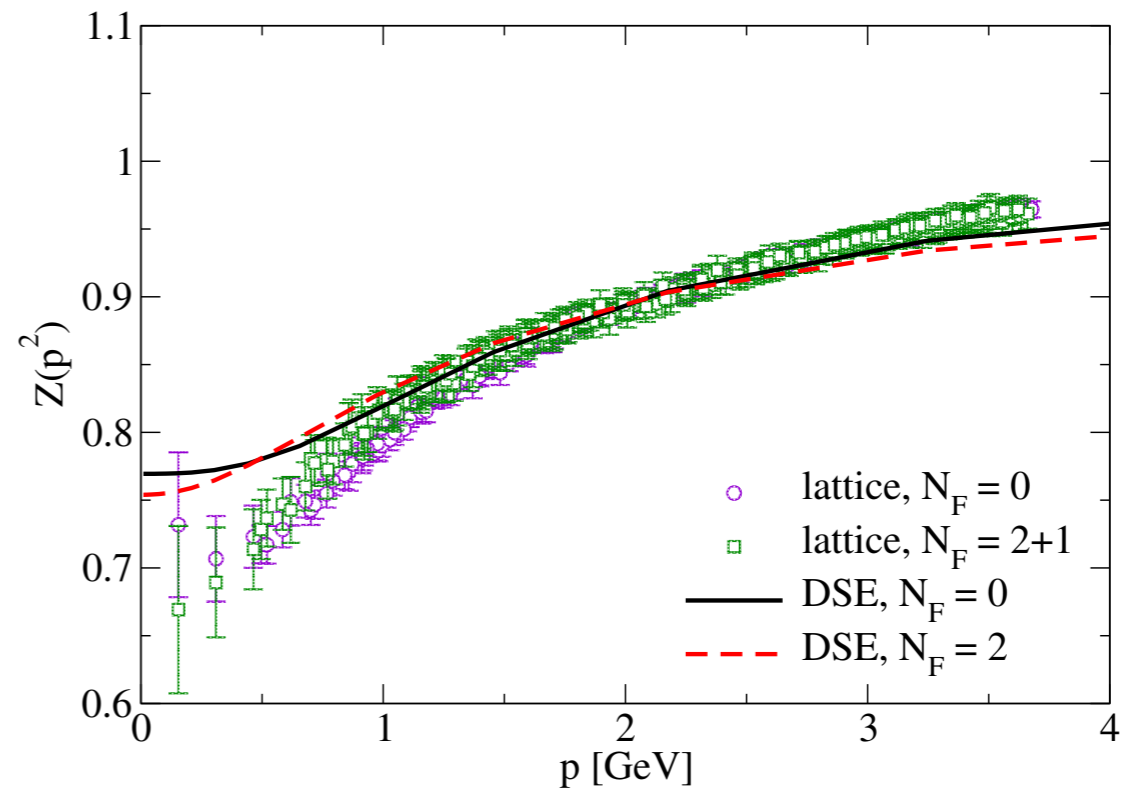
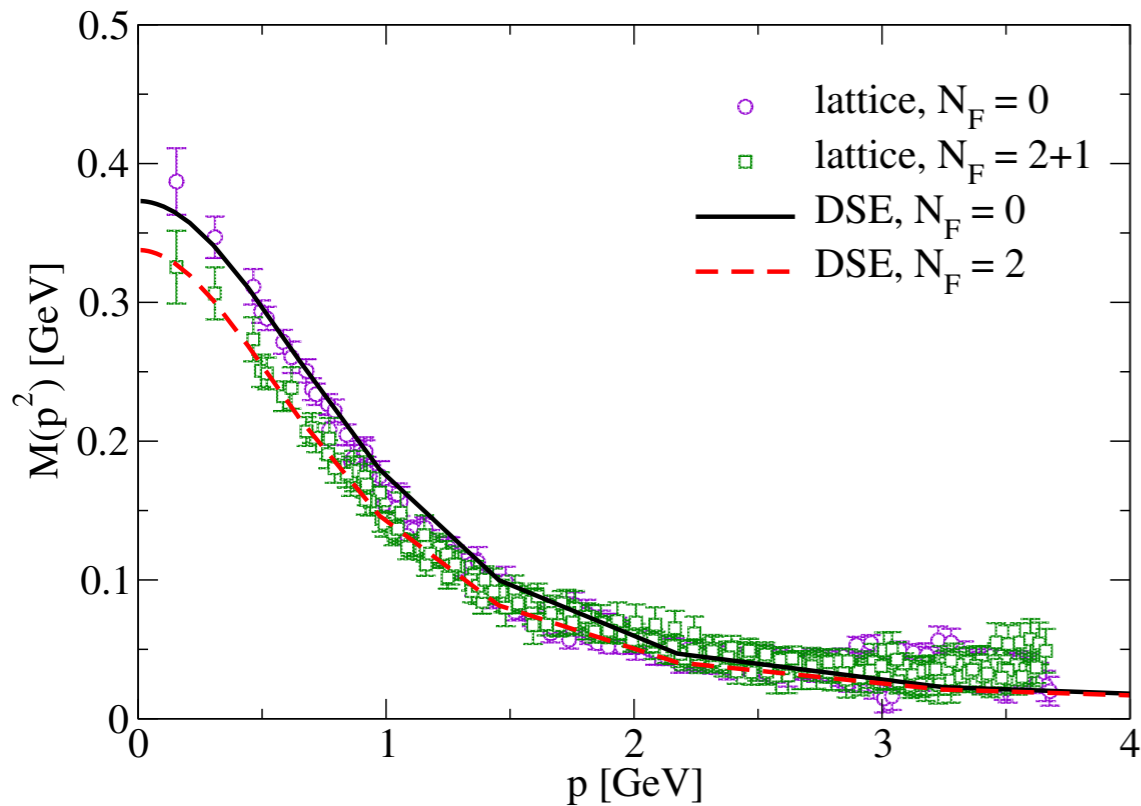
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 - scalar 0^{-+} : complicated channel... tetraquarks !

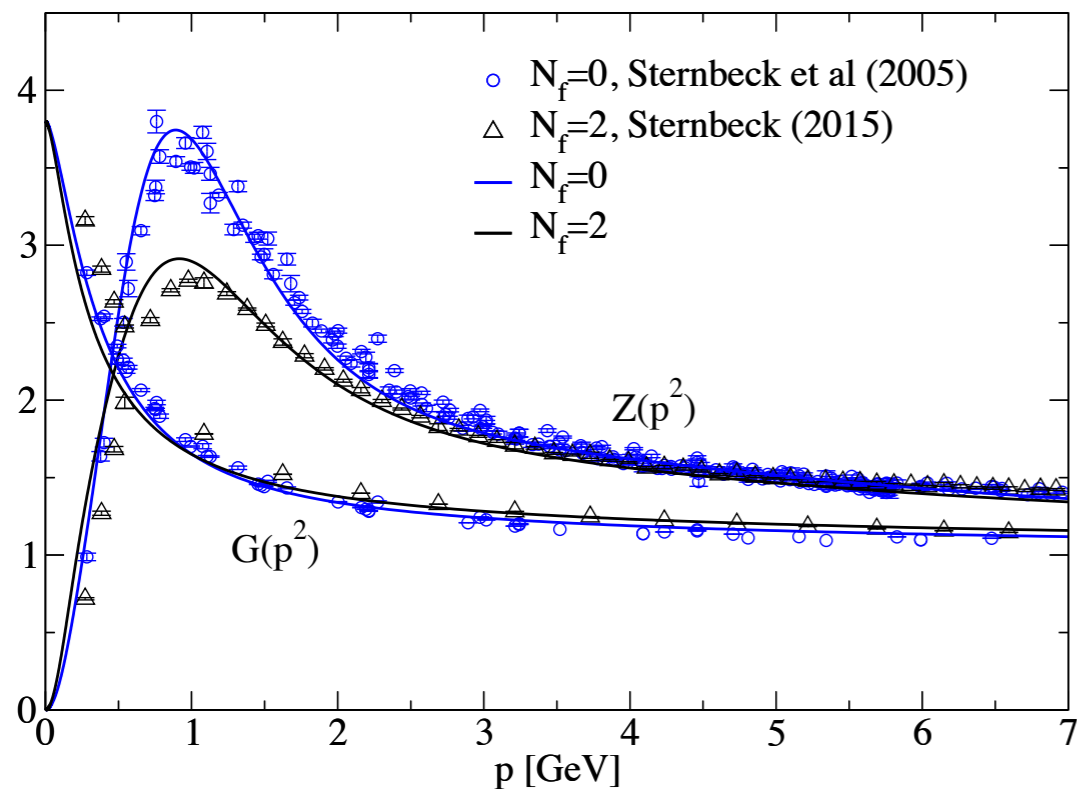
Selected results for Green's functions

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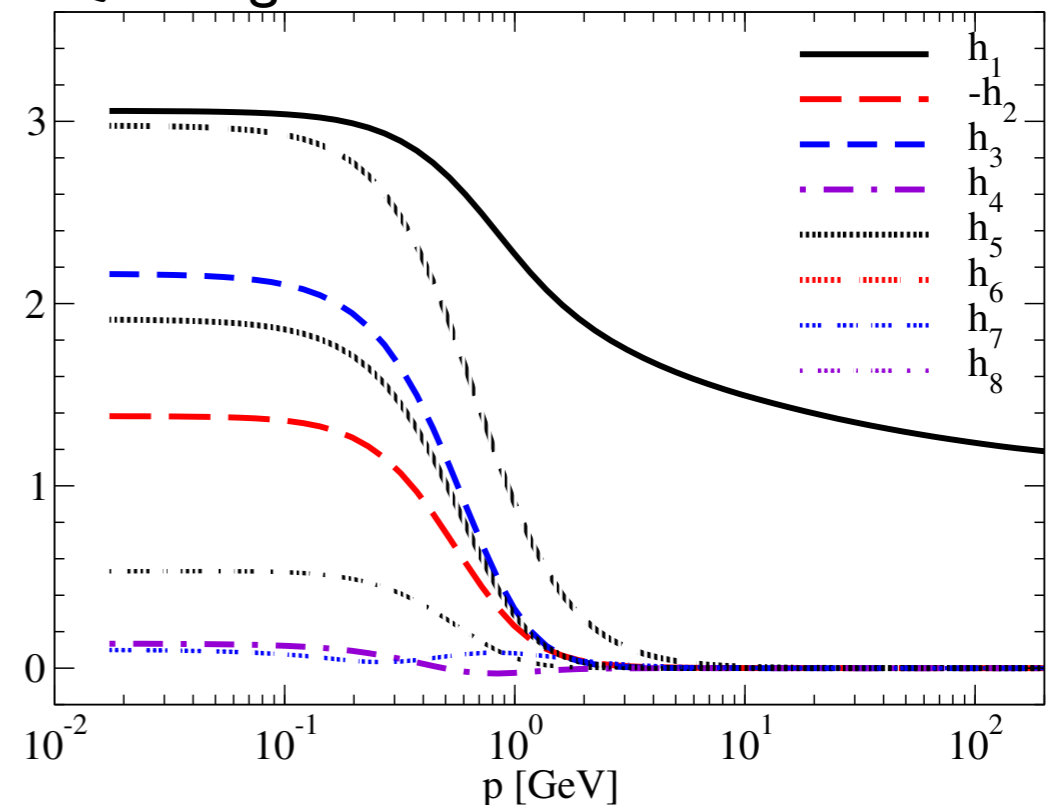
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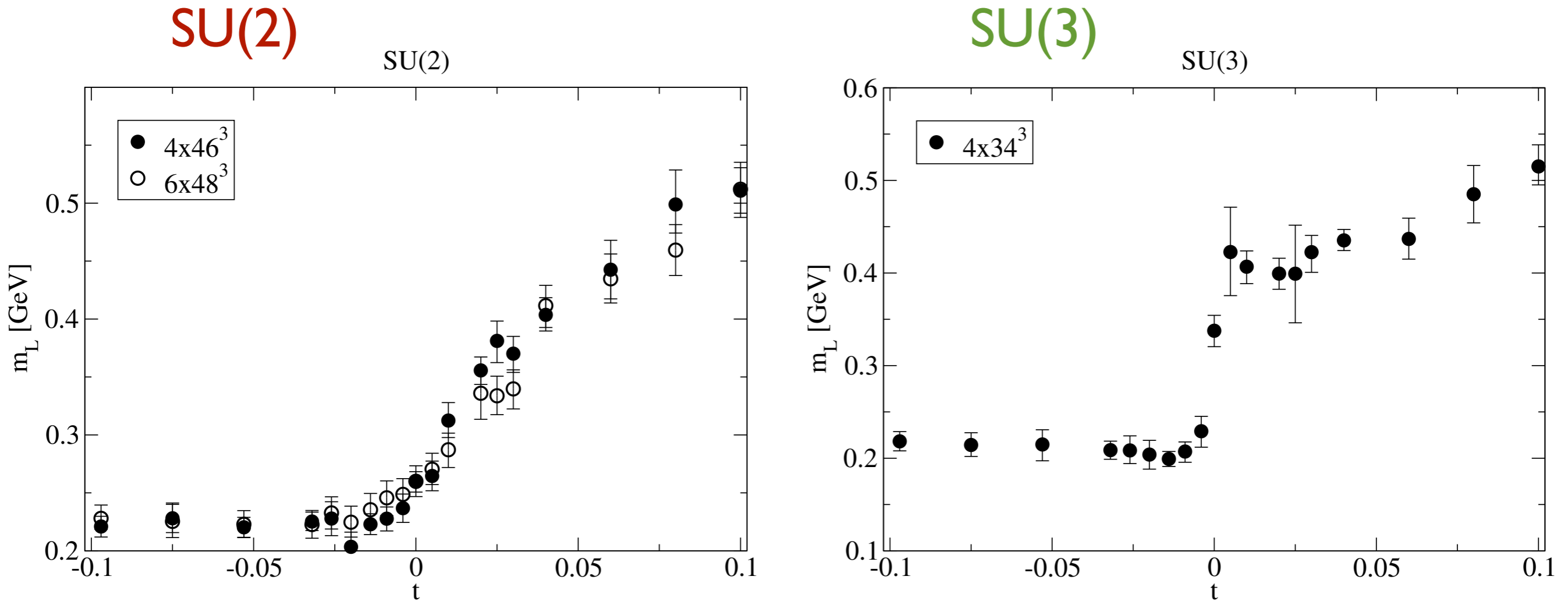
Gluon



Quark-gluon-vertex



Gluon electric screening mass: SU(2) vs. SU(3)

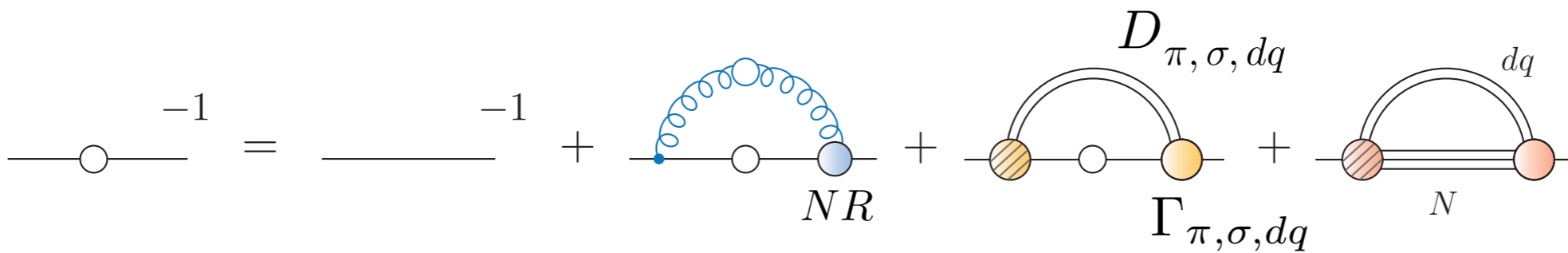


Maas, Pawłowski, Smekal, Spielmann, PRD 85 (2012) 034037
CF, Maas, Mueller, EPJC 68 (2010)

$$t = (T-T_c)/T_c$$

- phase transition of **second** and **first** order visible in electric screening mass

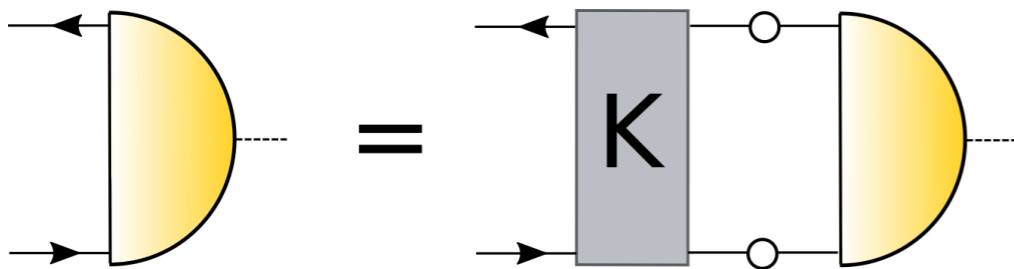
Meson effects at finite T and μ



$$D_\pi(p) = \frac{1}{p_4^2 + u^2(\vec{p}^2 + m_\pi(T, \mu)^2)}$$

$$u = \frac{f_s}{f_t}$$

Son, Stephanov, PRD 66 (2002) 7

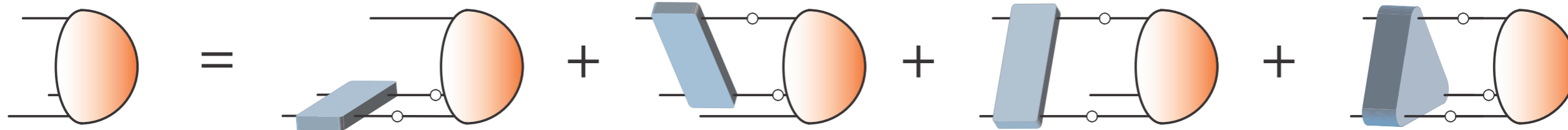


$$\Gamma_\pi(P, q) = \gamma_5 E(P, q, T, \mu) + \dots$$

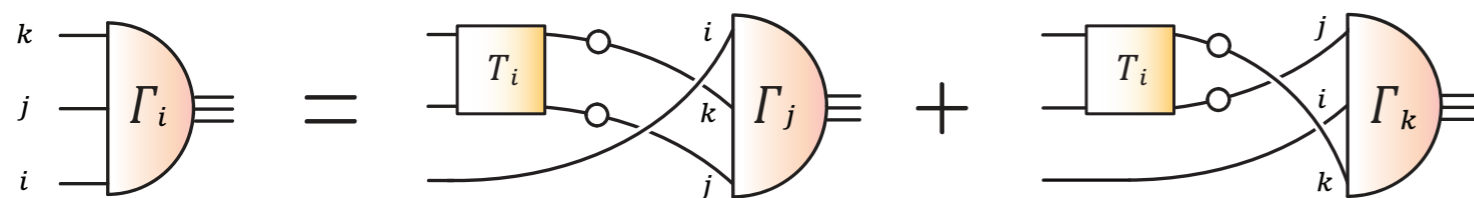
chiral limit: $\Gamma_\pi = \gamma_5 \frac{B}{f_t}$

Vacuum: Baryons from BSEs

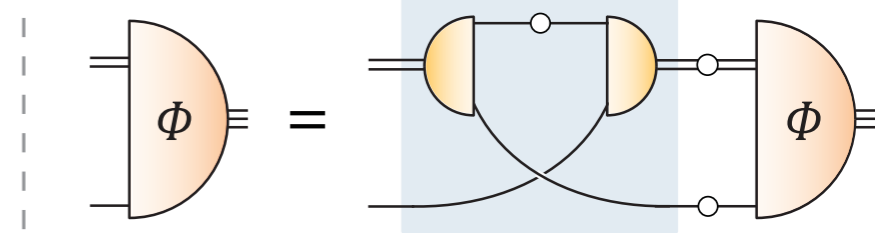
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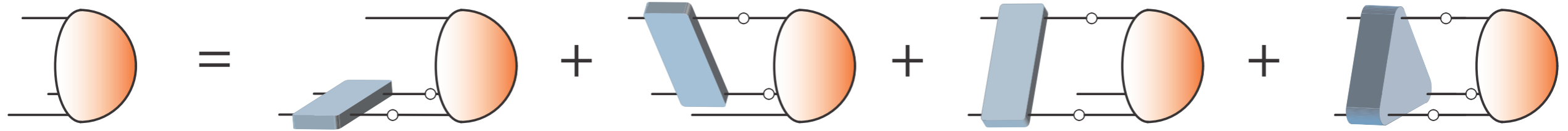


Diquark-quark



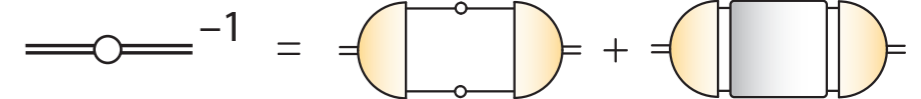
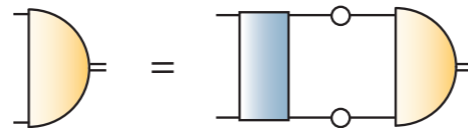
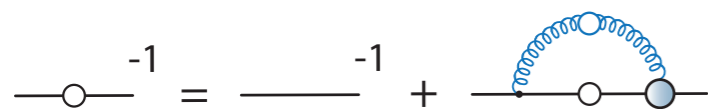
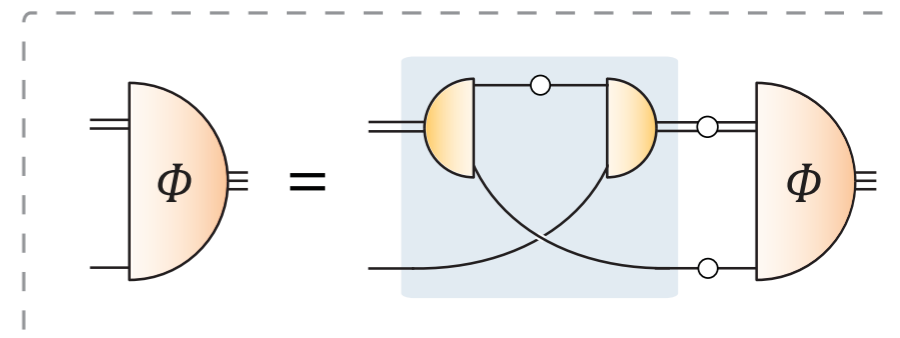
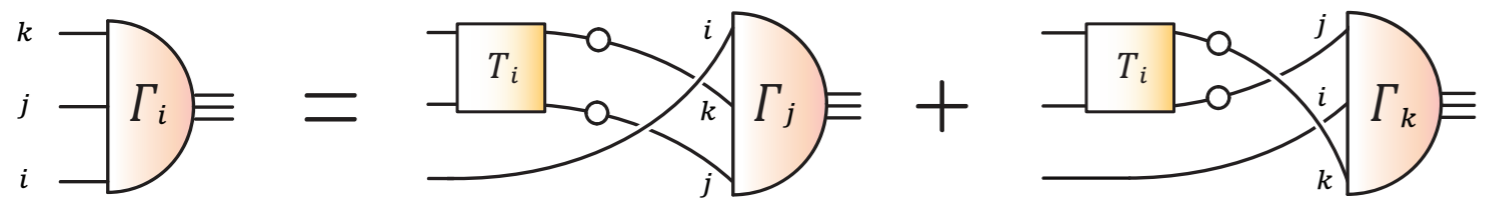
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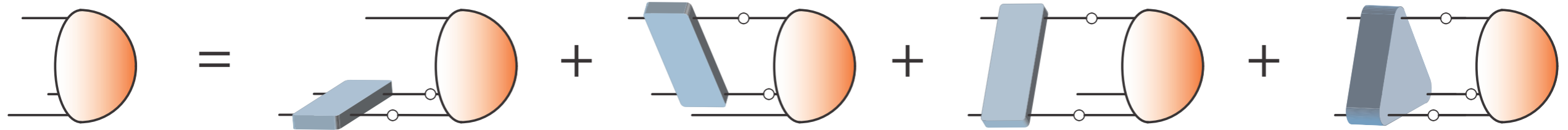
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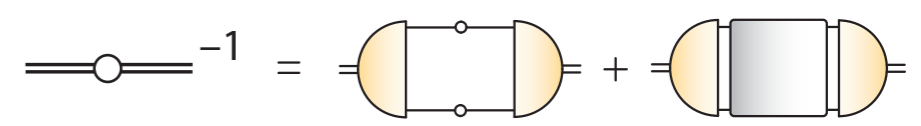
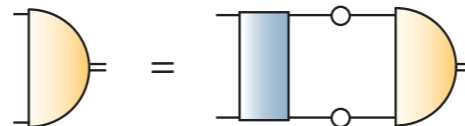
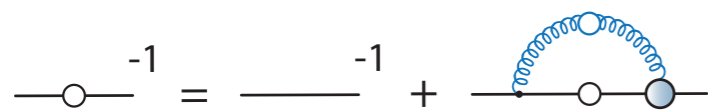
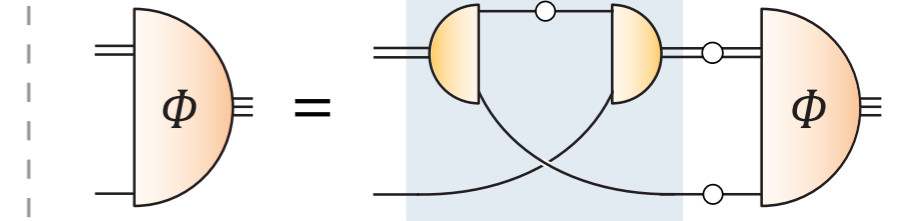
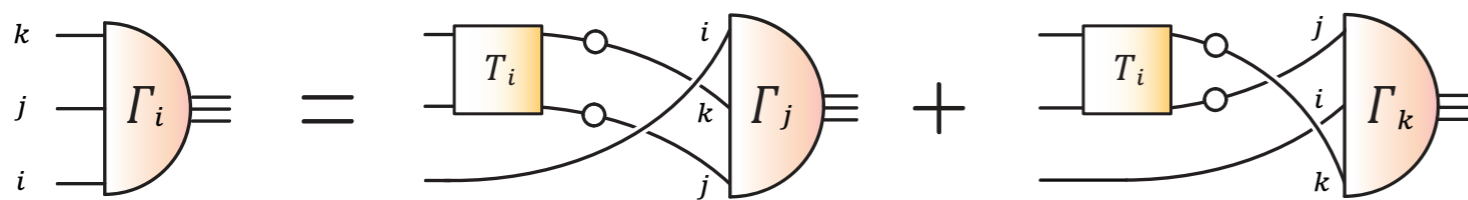
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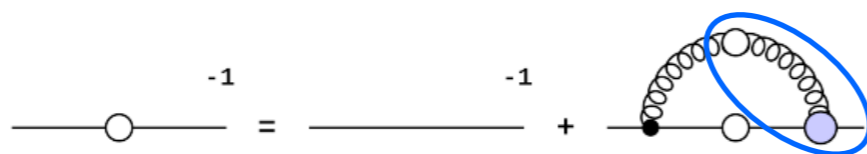


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Diquark-quark



- **Input: Non-perturbative quark, quark-gluon interaction (RL)**



$$\alpha(k^2) = \pi\eta^7 \left(\frac{k^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) e^{-\eta^2 \left(\frac{k^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)} + \alpha_{UV}(k^2)$$

Vacuum: DSE/Faddeev landscape

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|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------|-----|----------|
| | Contact interaction | QCD-based model | DSE (RL) | RL | bRL | bRL + 3q |
| N, Δ masses | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ... |
| N, Δ em. FFs | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | |
| $N \rightarrow \Delta \gamma$ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ... | | |
| Roper | ✓ | ✓ | | ... | | |
| $N \rightarrow N^* \gamma$ | ✓ | ✓ | | ... | | |
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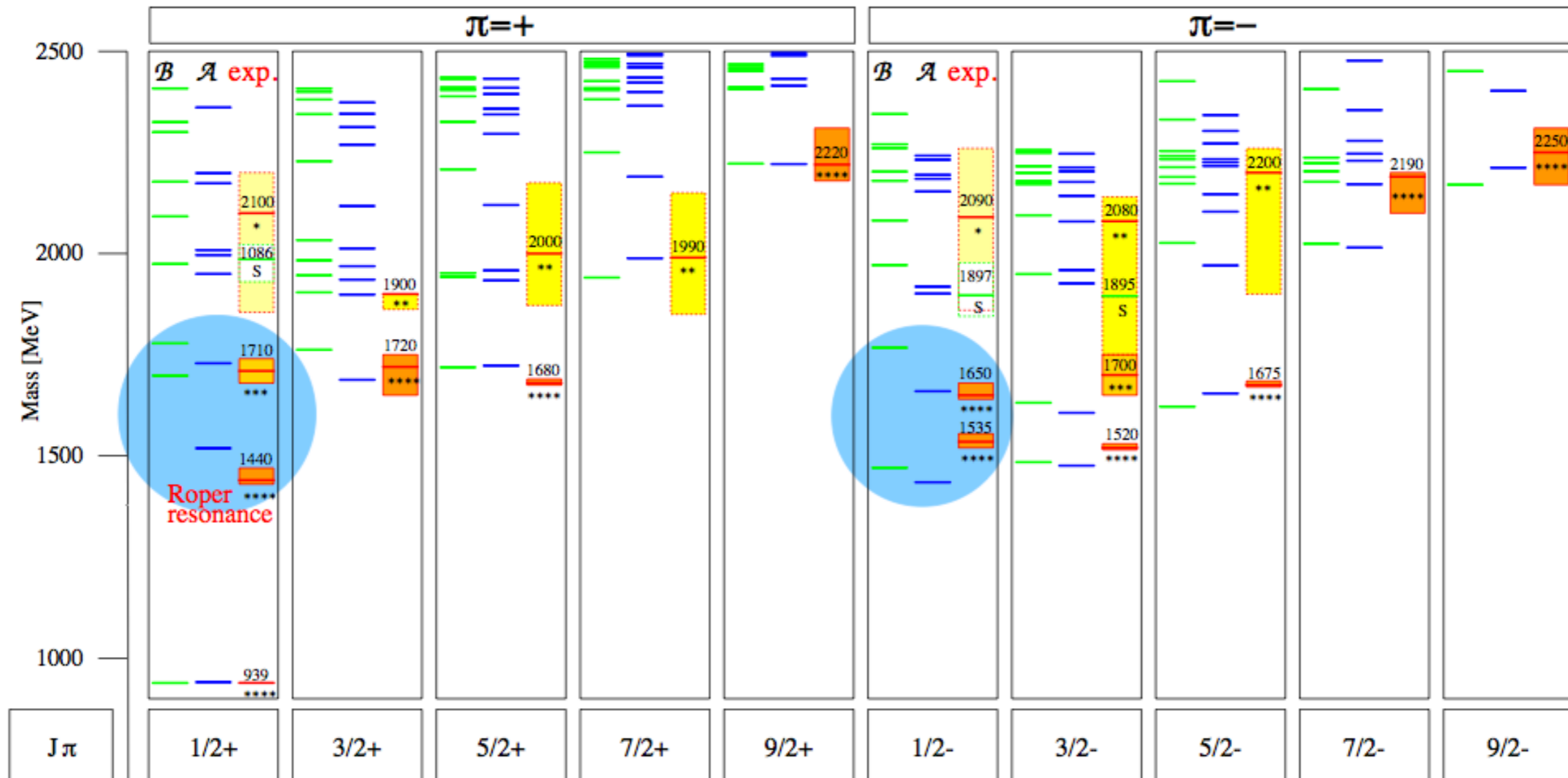
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Baryons: Quark model



Loring, Metsch, Petry, EPJA 10 (2001) 395

- ‘missing resonances’ - **three-body vs. quark-diquark**

- level ordering: $N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\pm}$ vs. $\Lambda_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\pm}$