

Exploring the phase structure and dynamics of QCD

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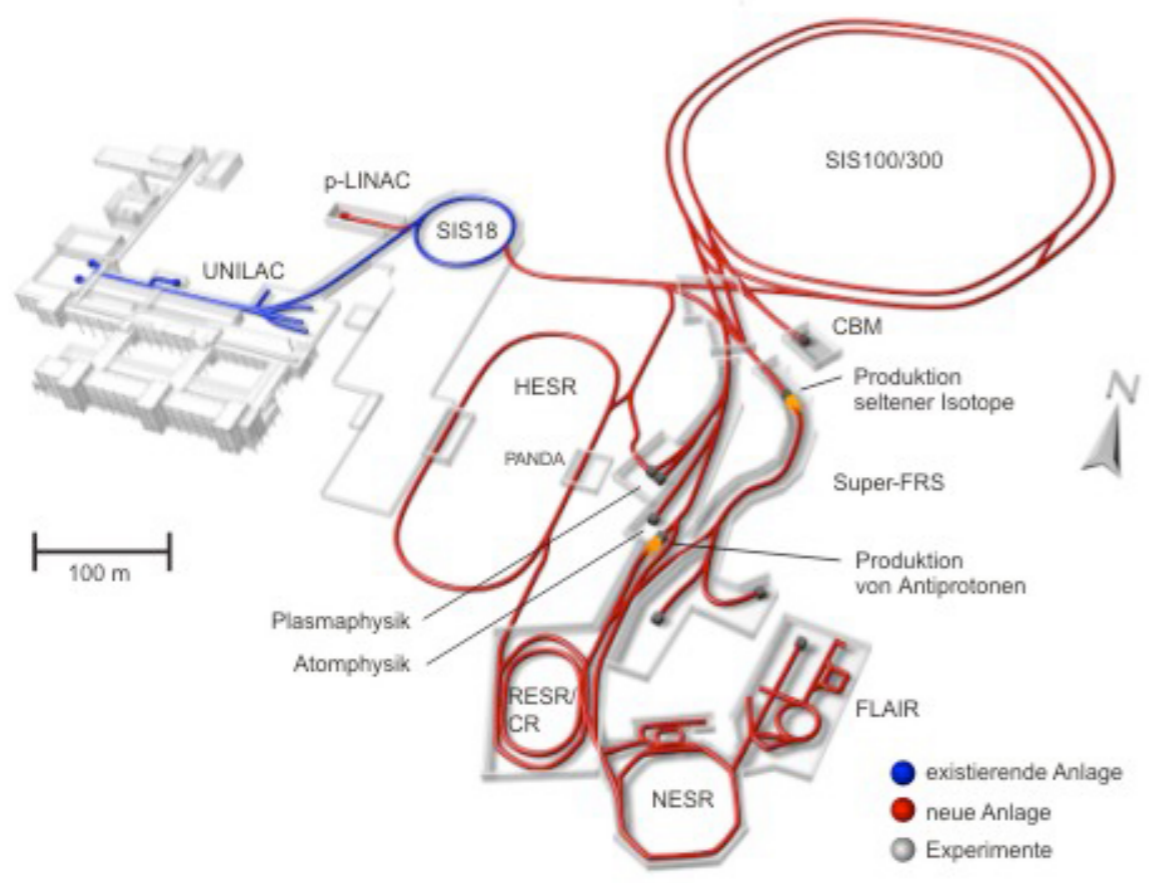
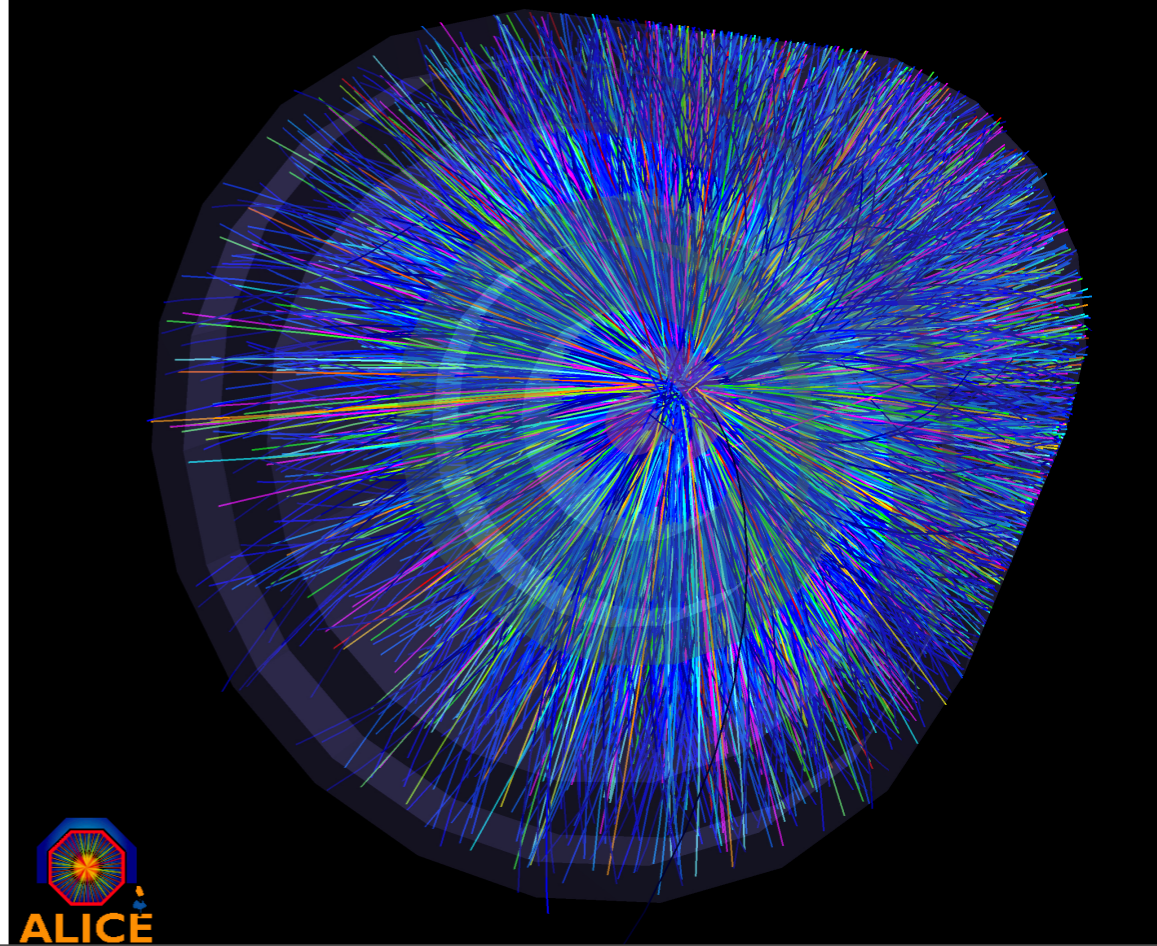
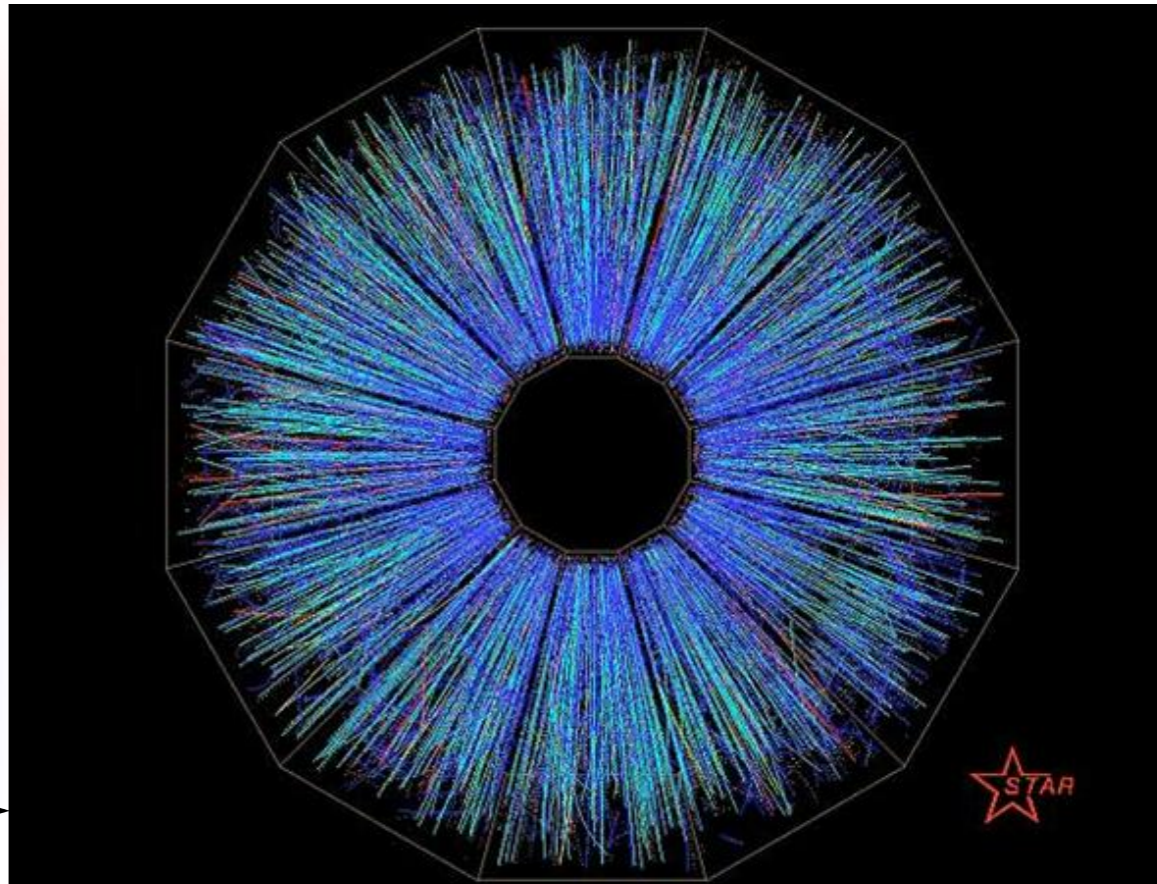
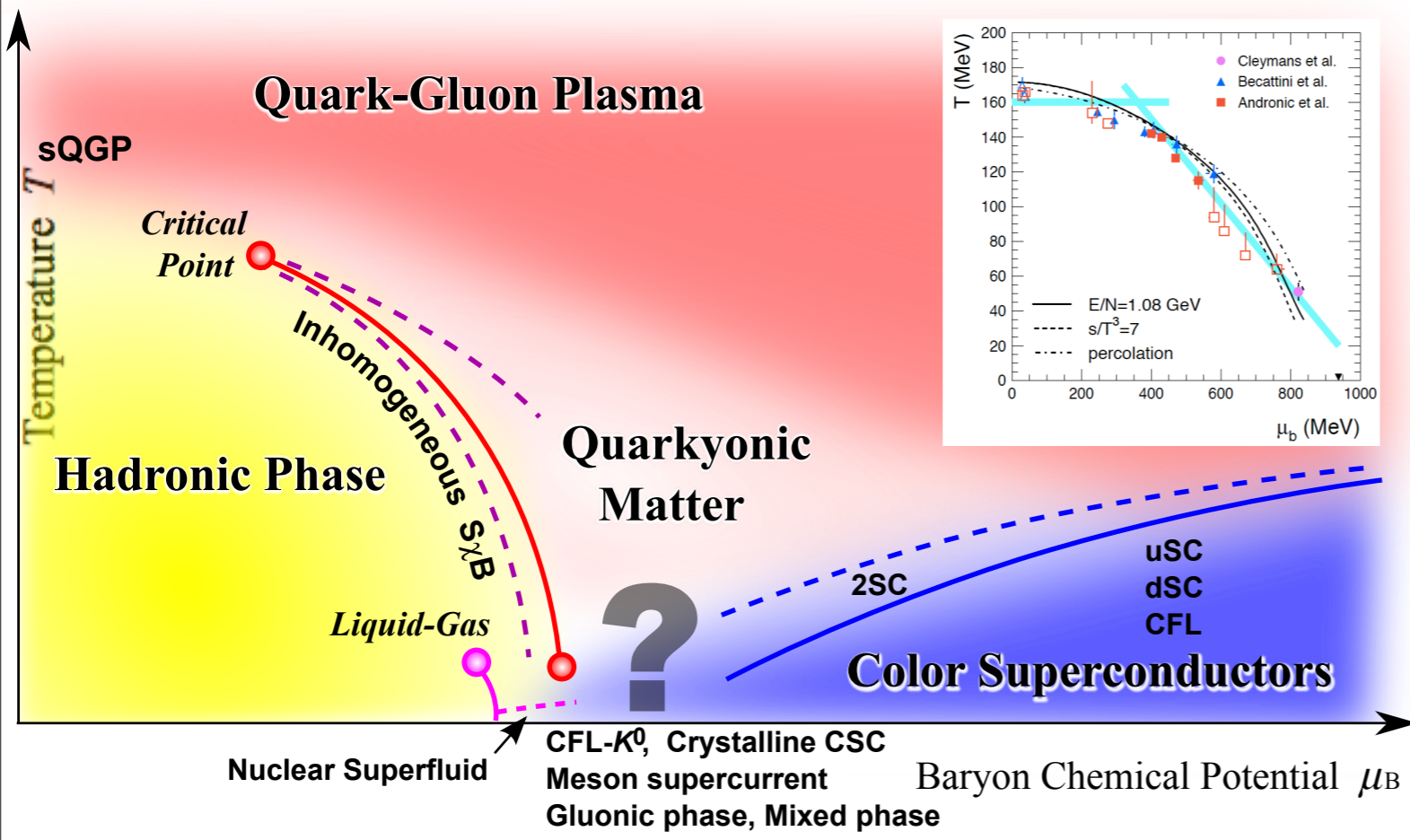
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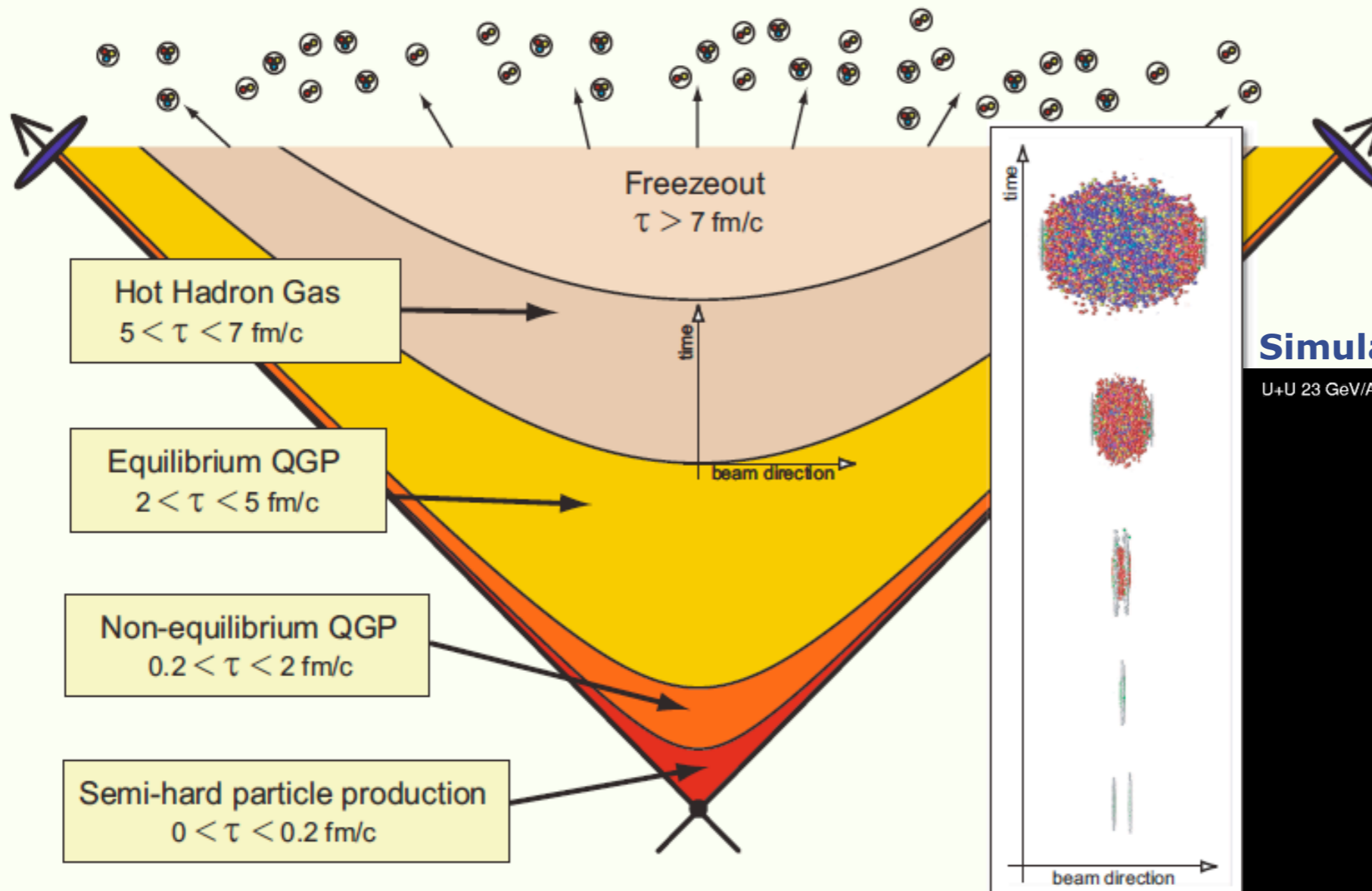
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Heavy ion collisions



Heavy ion collisions

Heavy-ion collision timescales and “epochs” @ RHIC



Simulation of a heavy ion collision

U+U 23 GeV/A

$t = -17.14 \text{ fm/c}$

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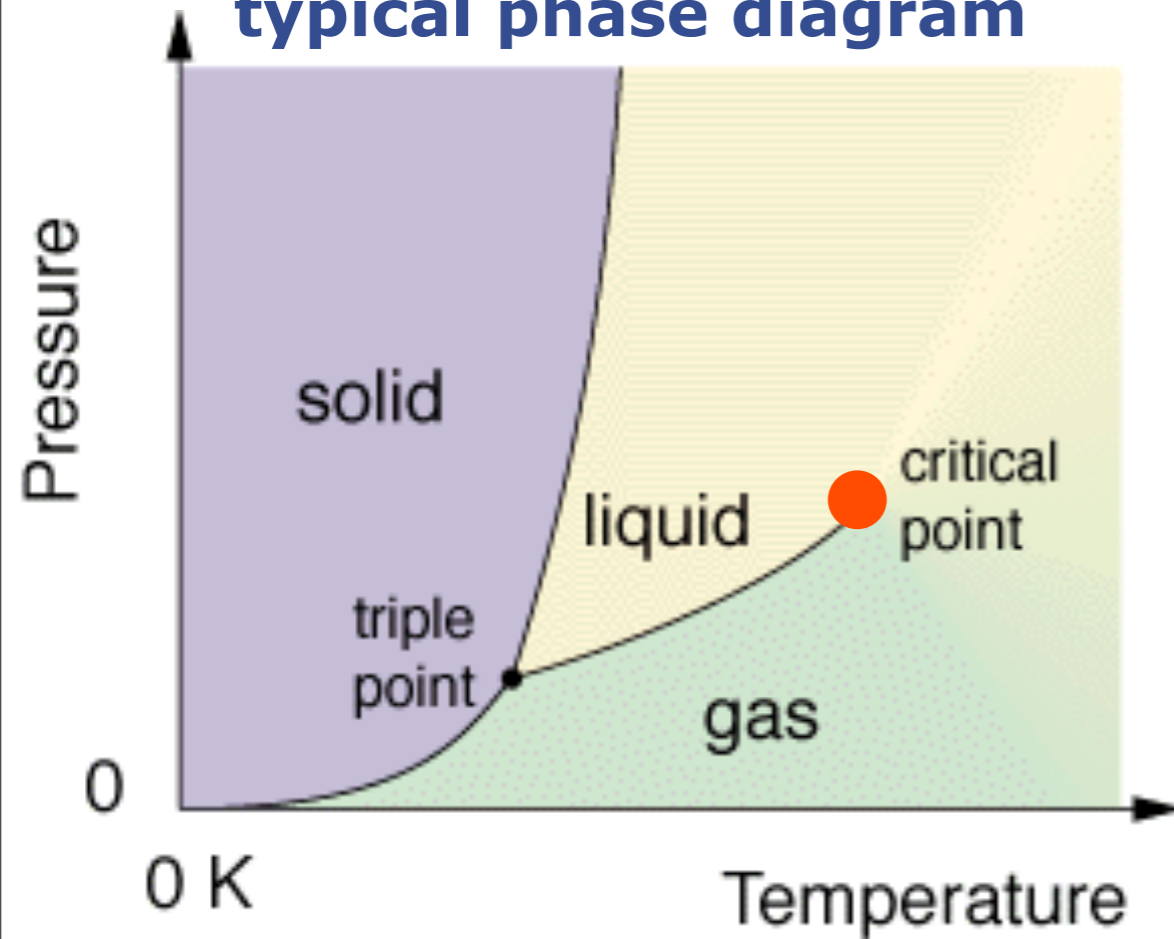
* $1 \text{ fm/c} \simeq 3 \times 10^{-24} \text{ seconds}$

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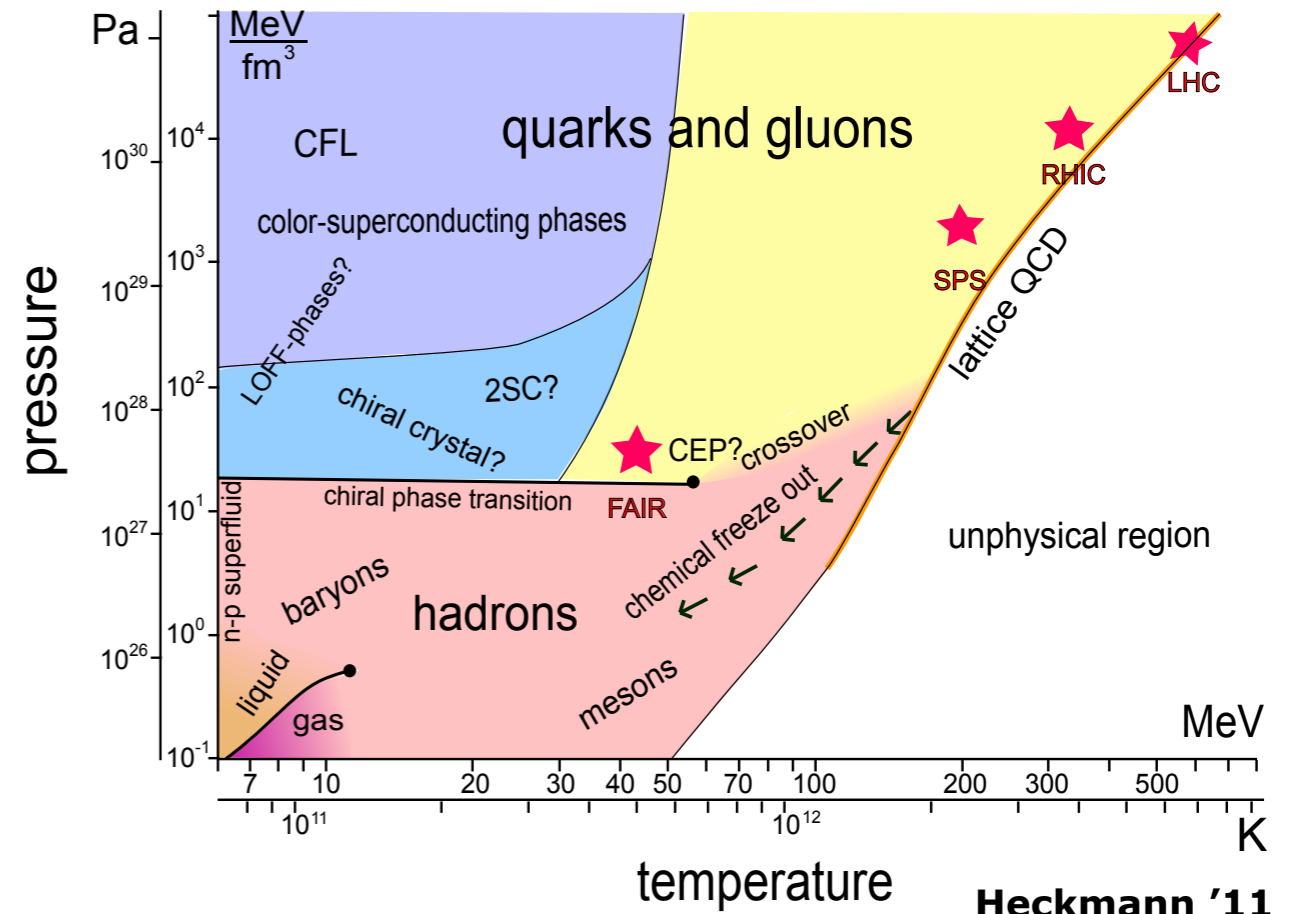
Phase diagrams & order parameters

typical phase diagram



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Phases in QCD

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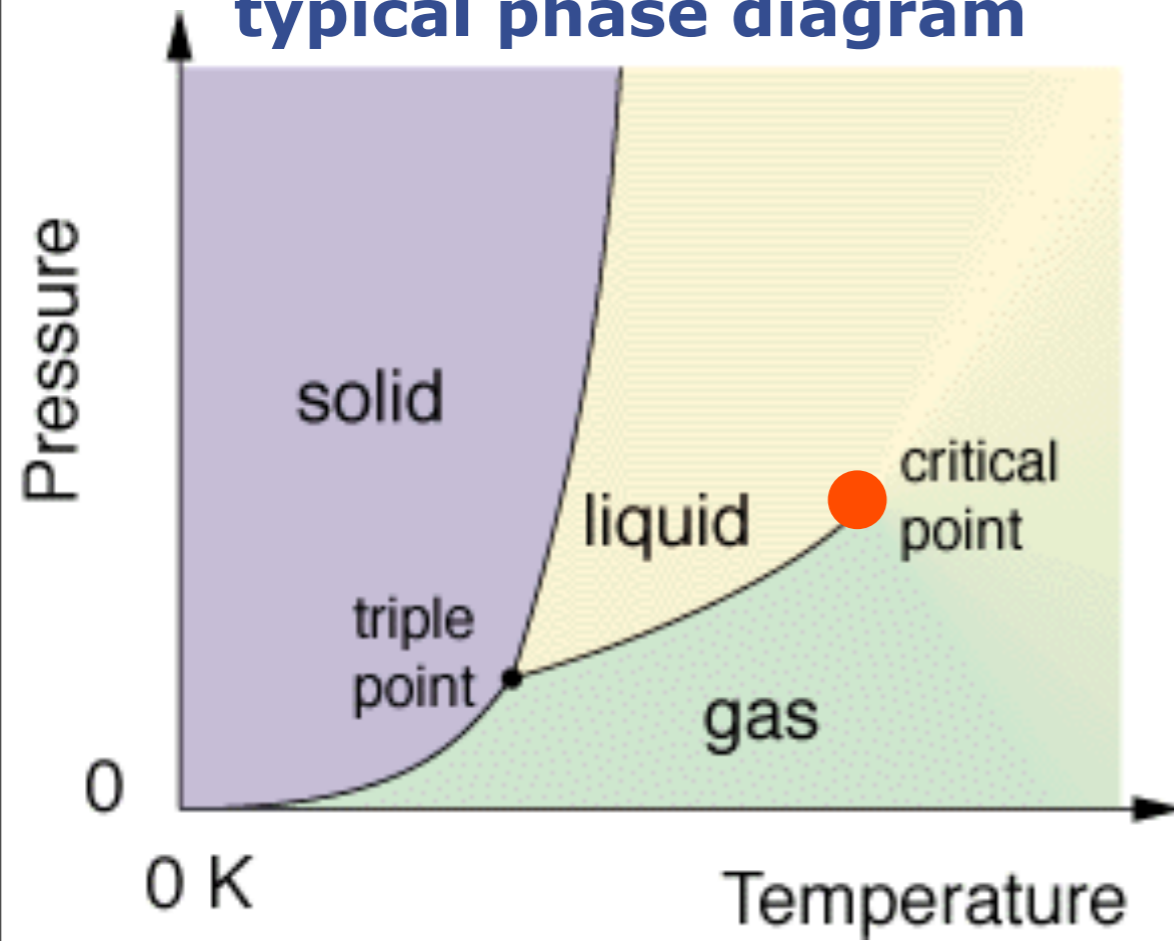
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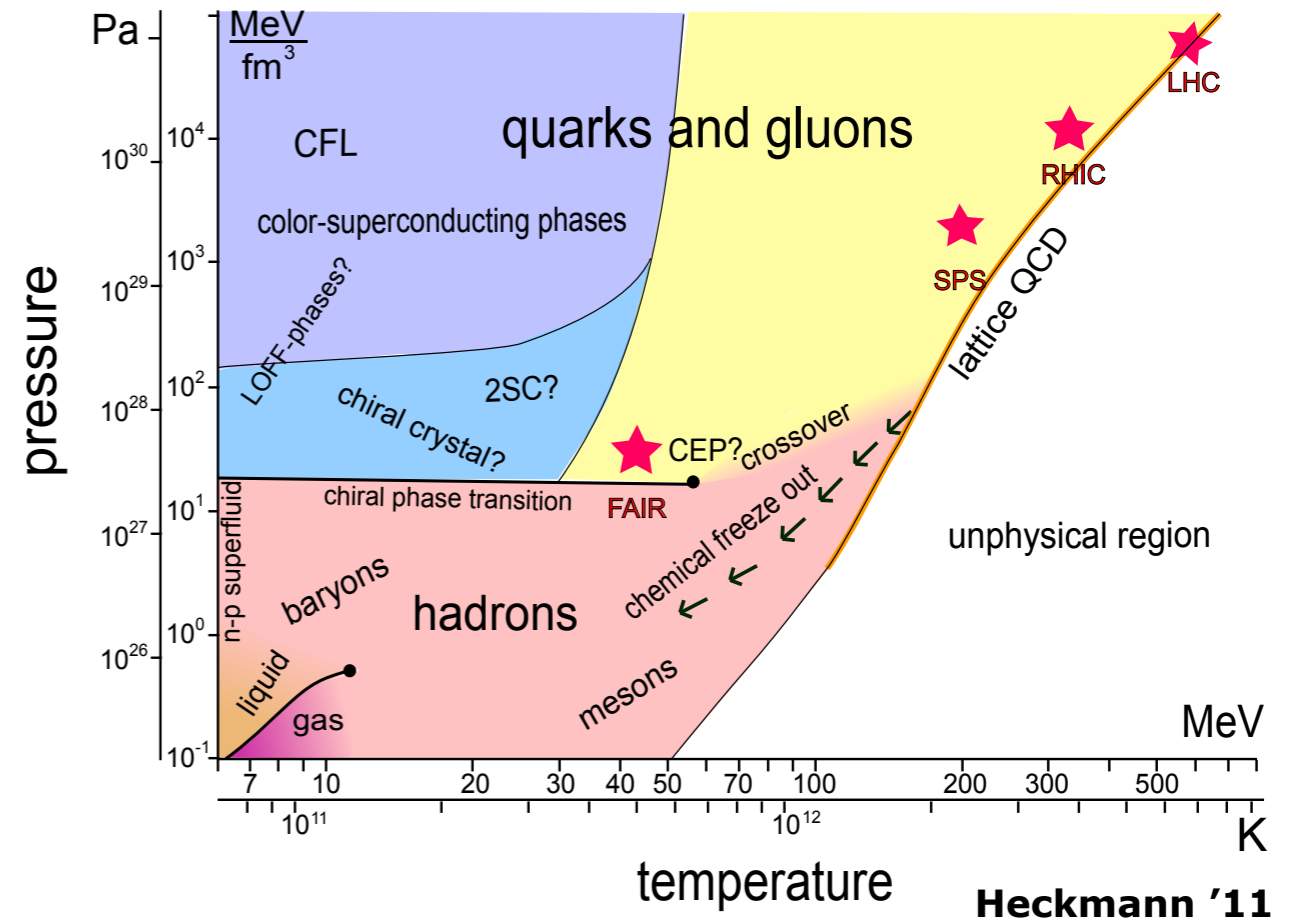
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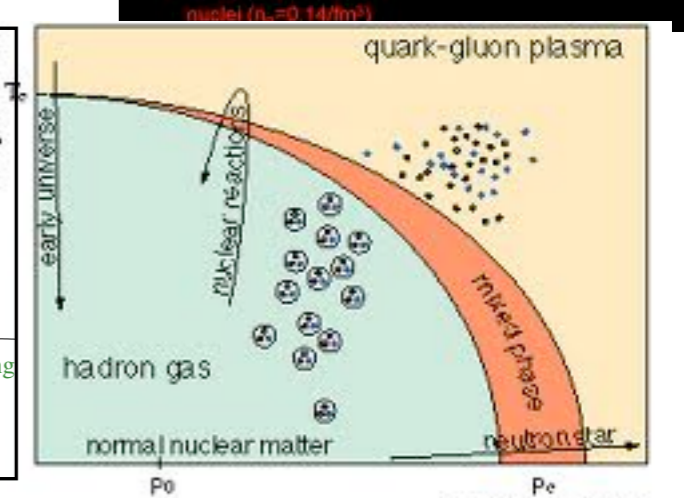
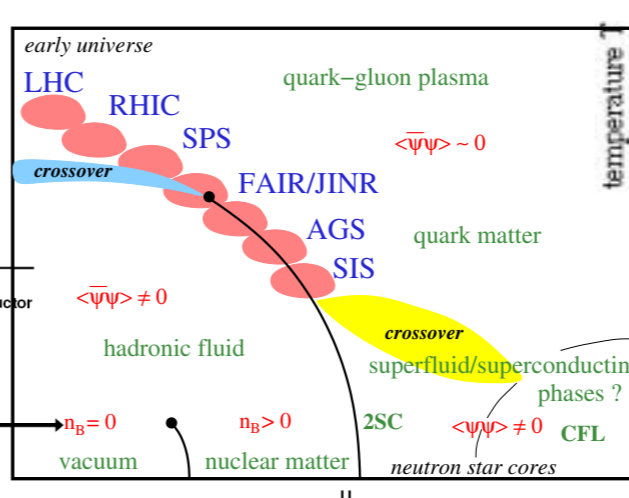
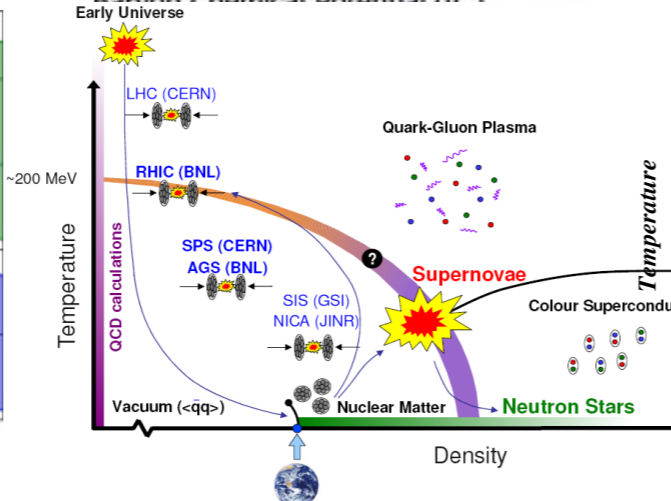
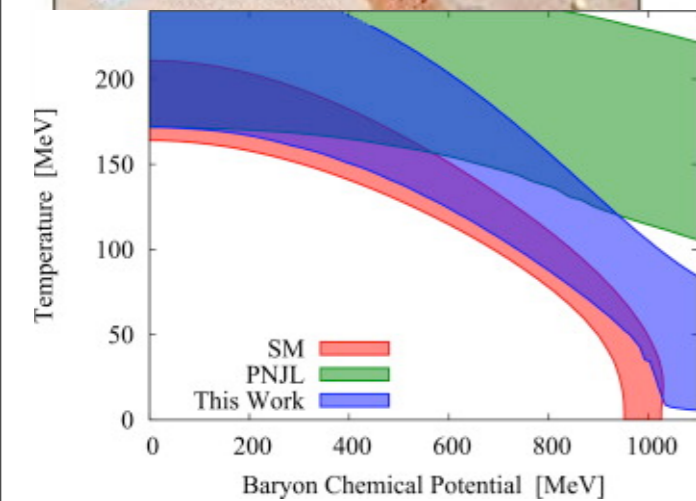
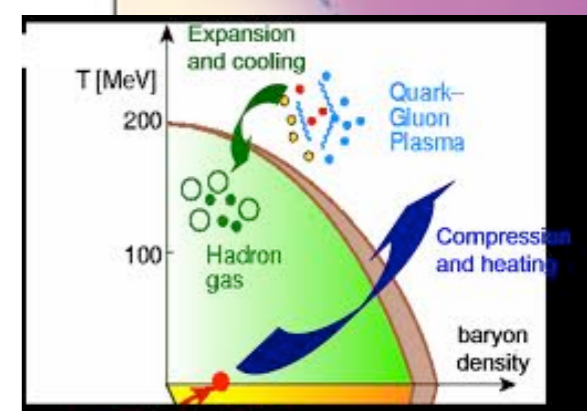
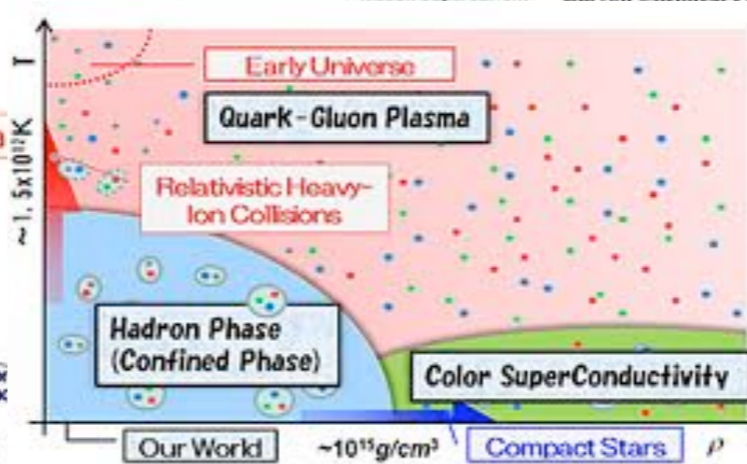
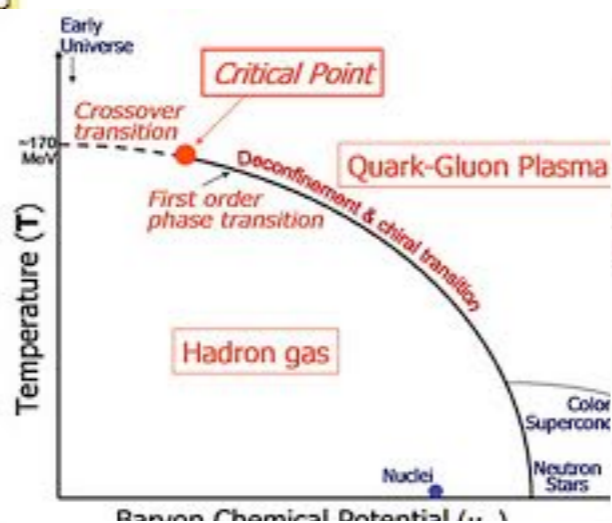
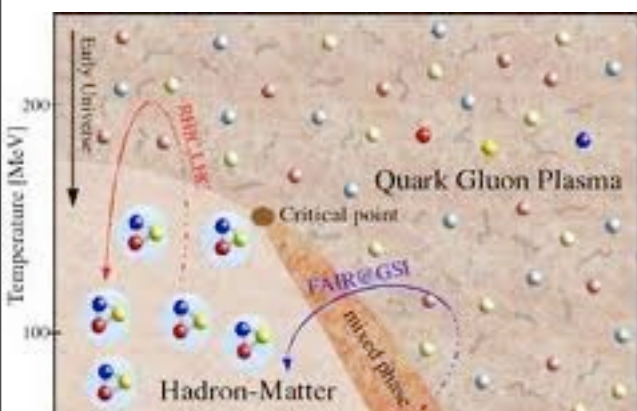
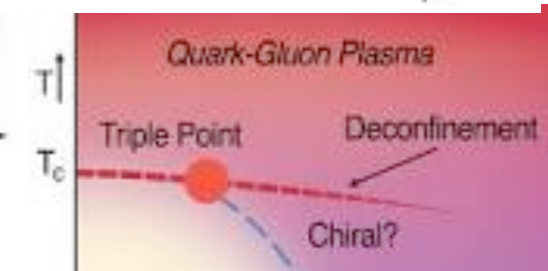
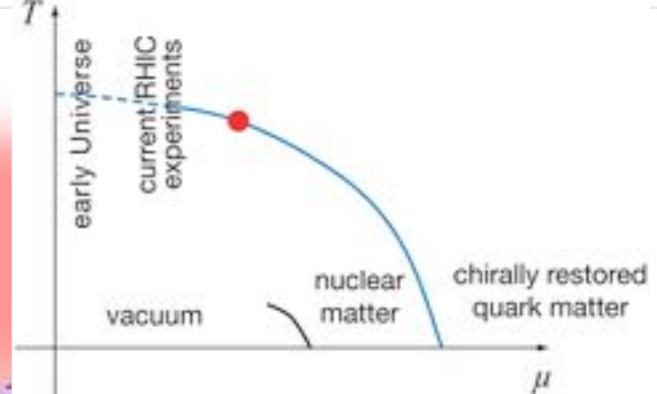
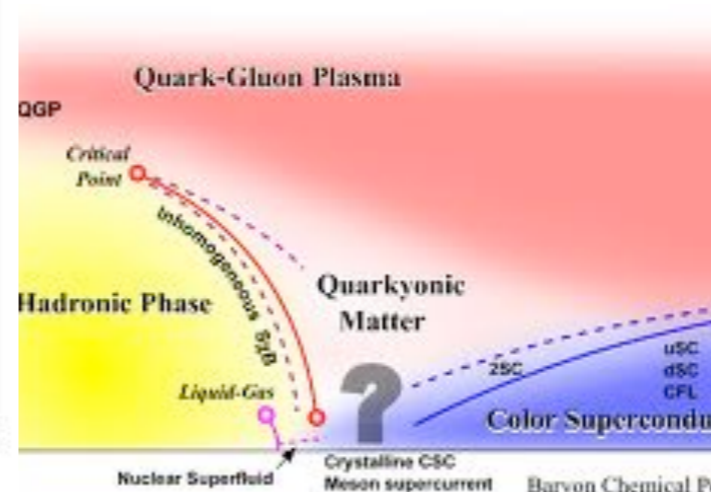
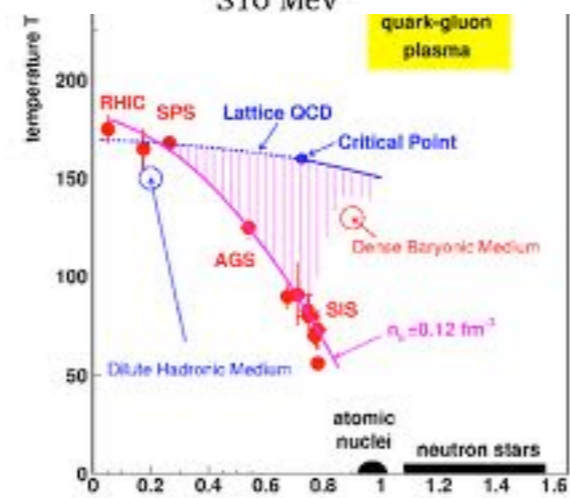
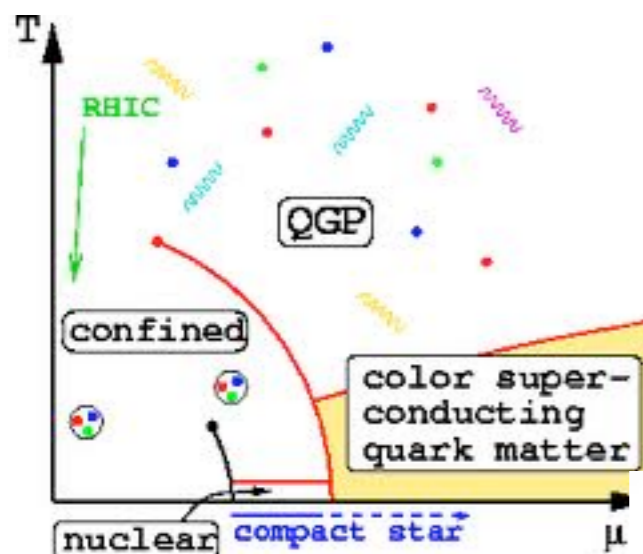
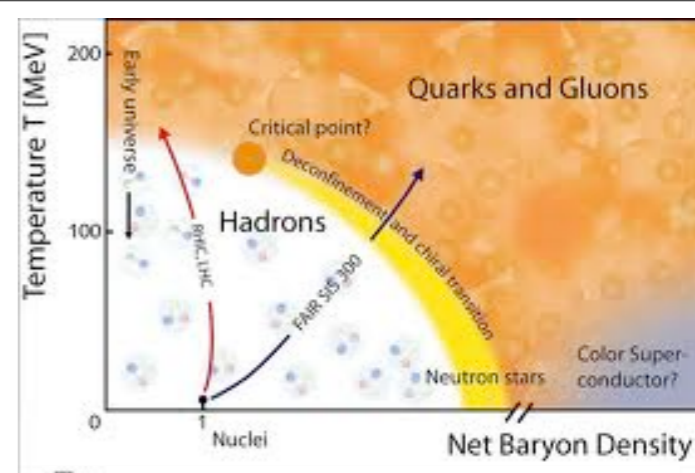
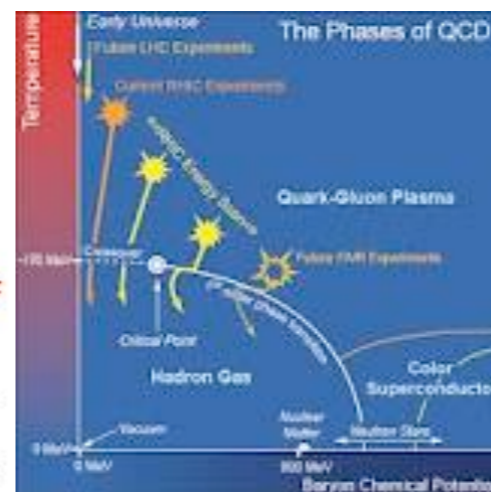
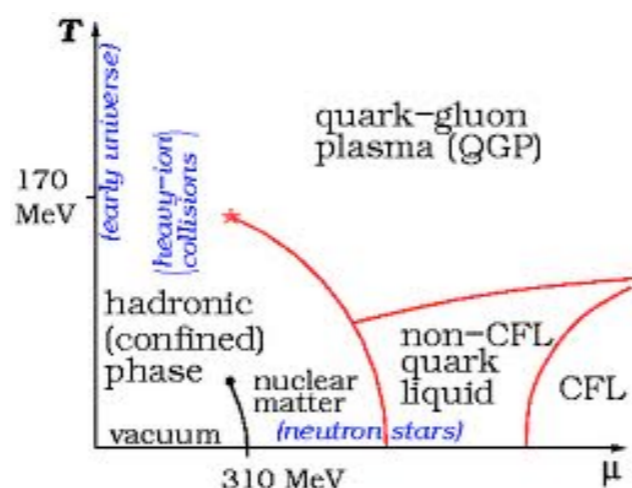
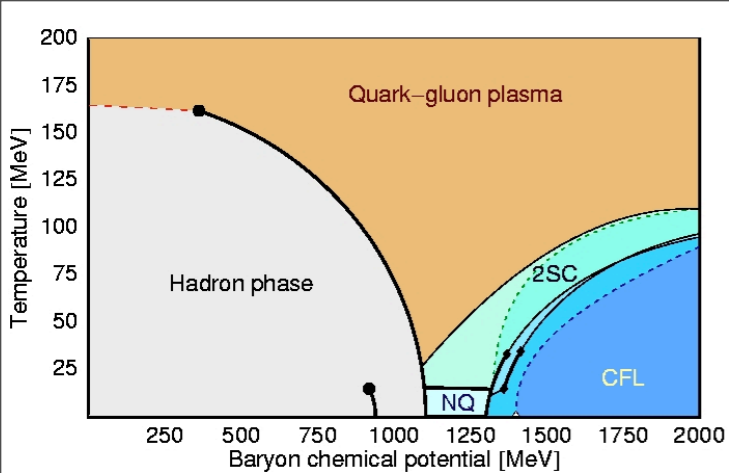
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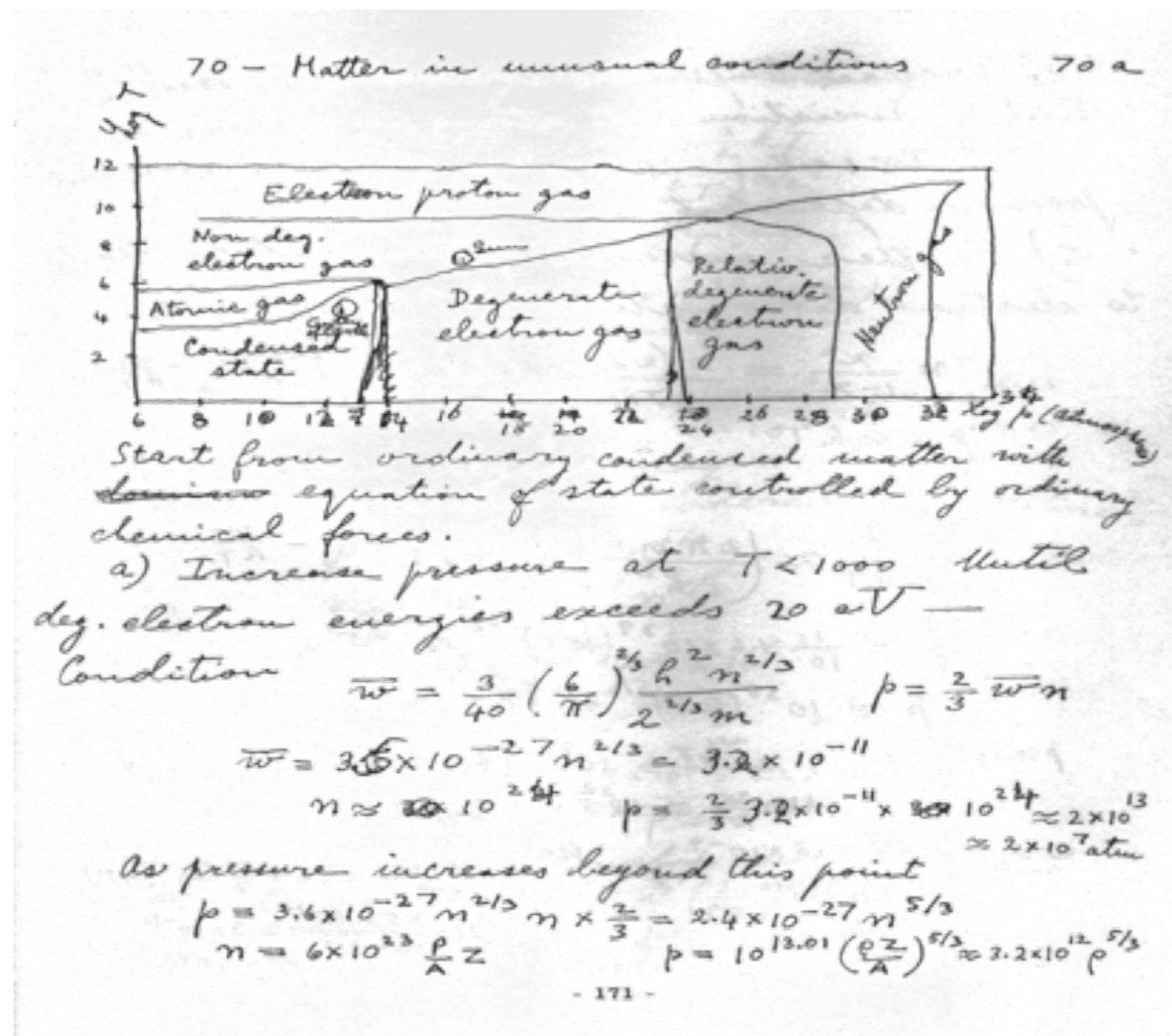
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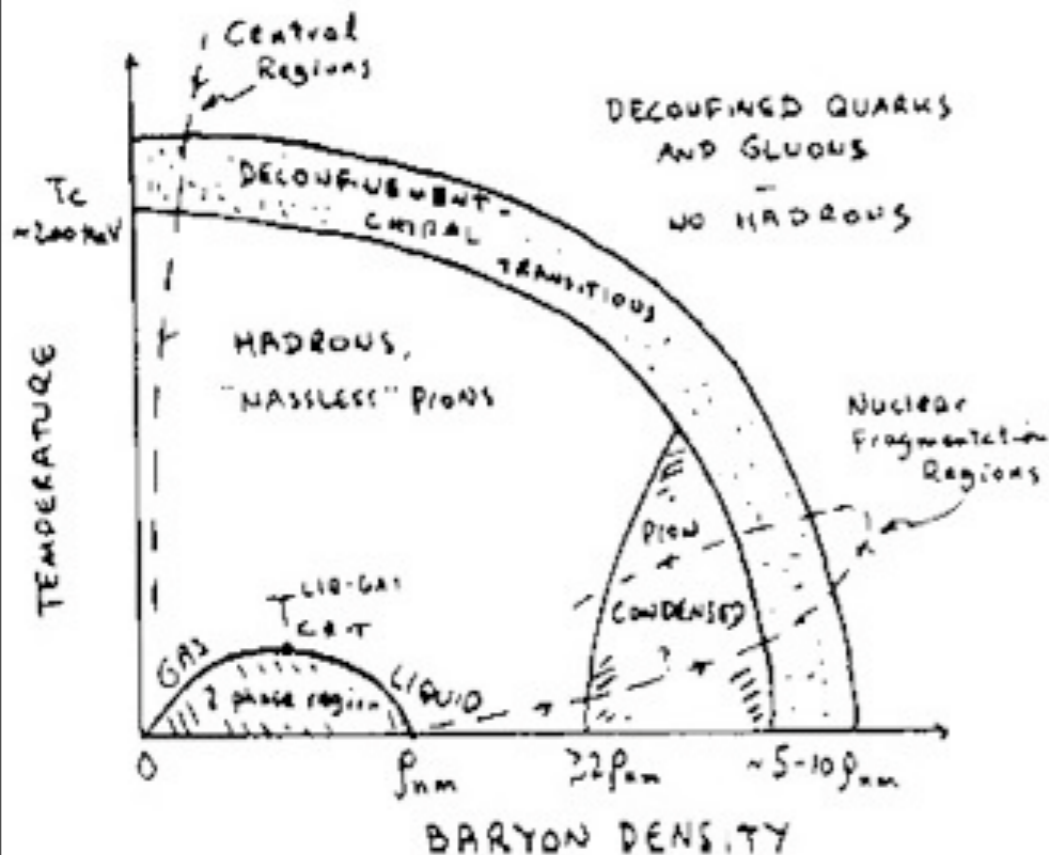
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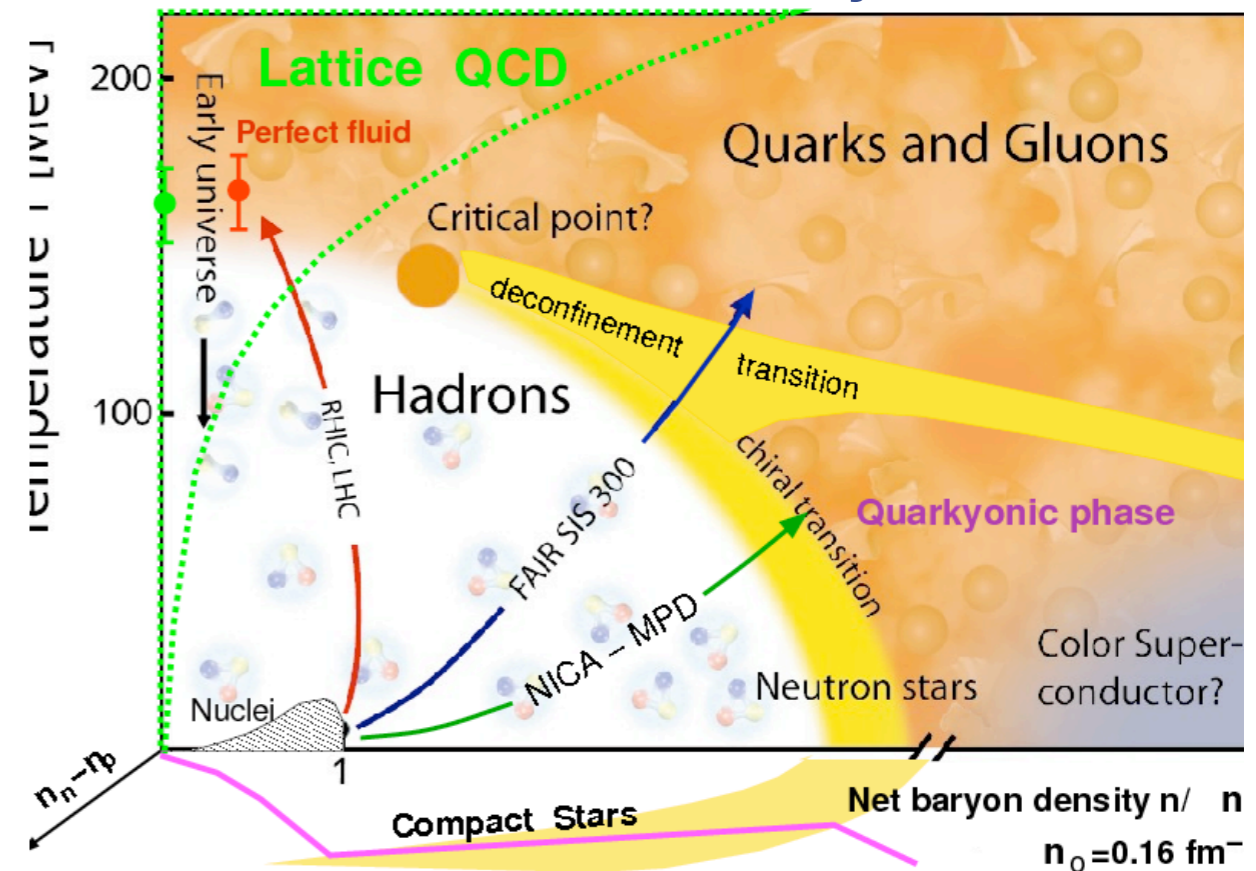


1953 Enrico Fermi

1983 US long range plan, Gordon Baym



Larry McLerran '09



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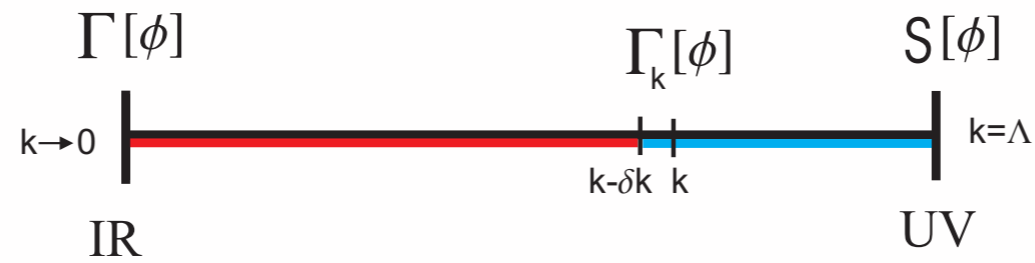
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Phase diagram survey

JMP, Schladming '13

ab initio

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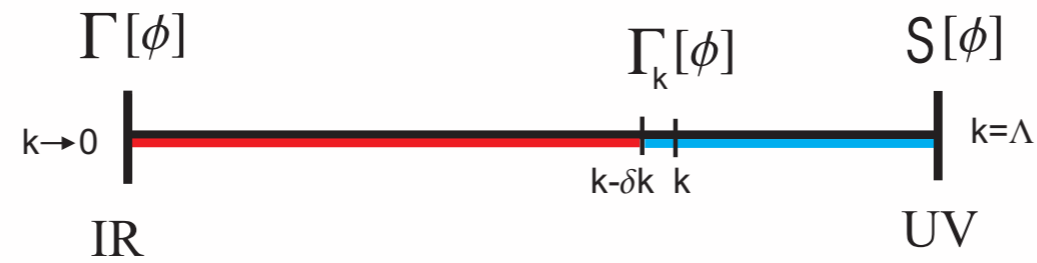
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A_0 : background field

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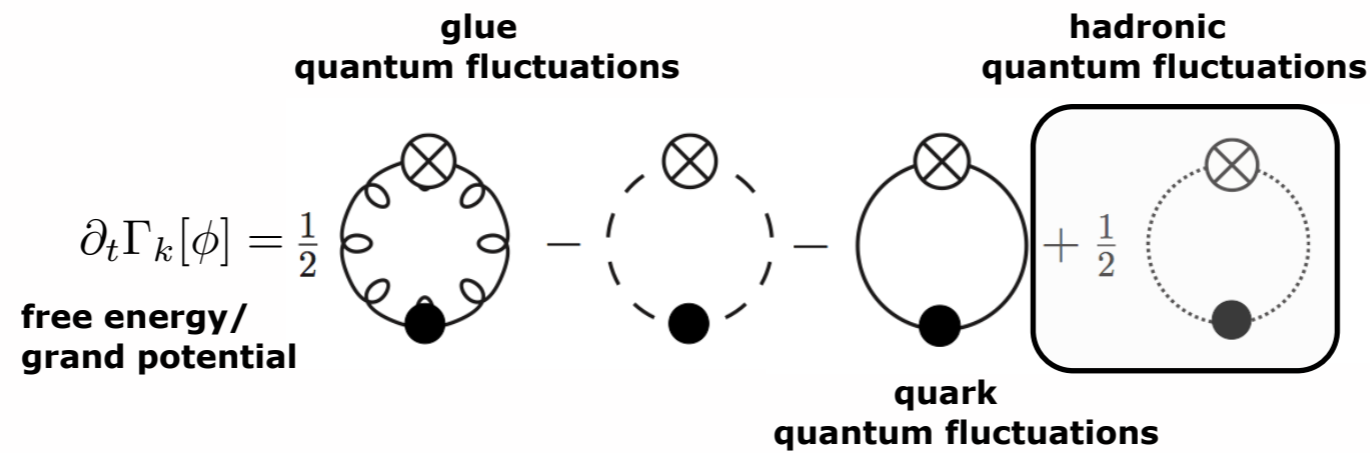
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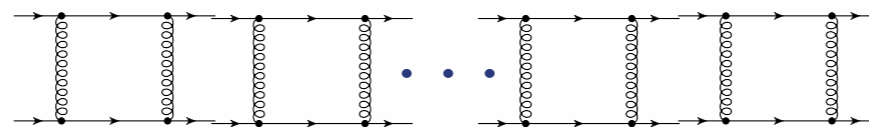
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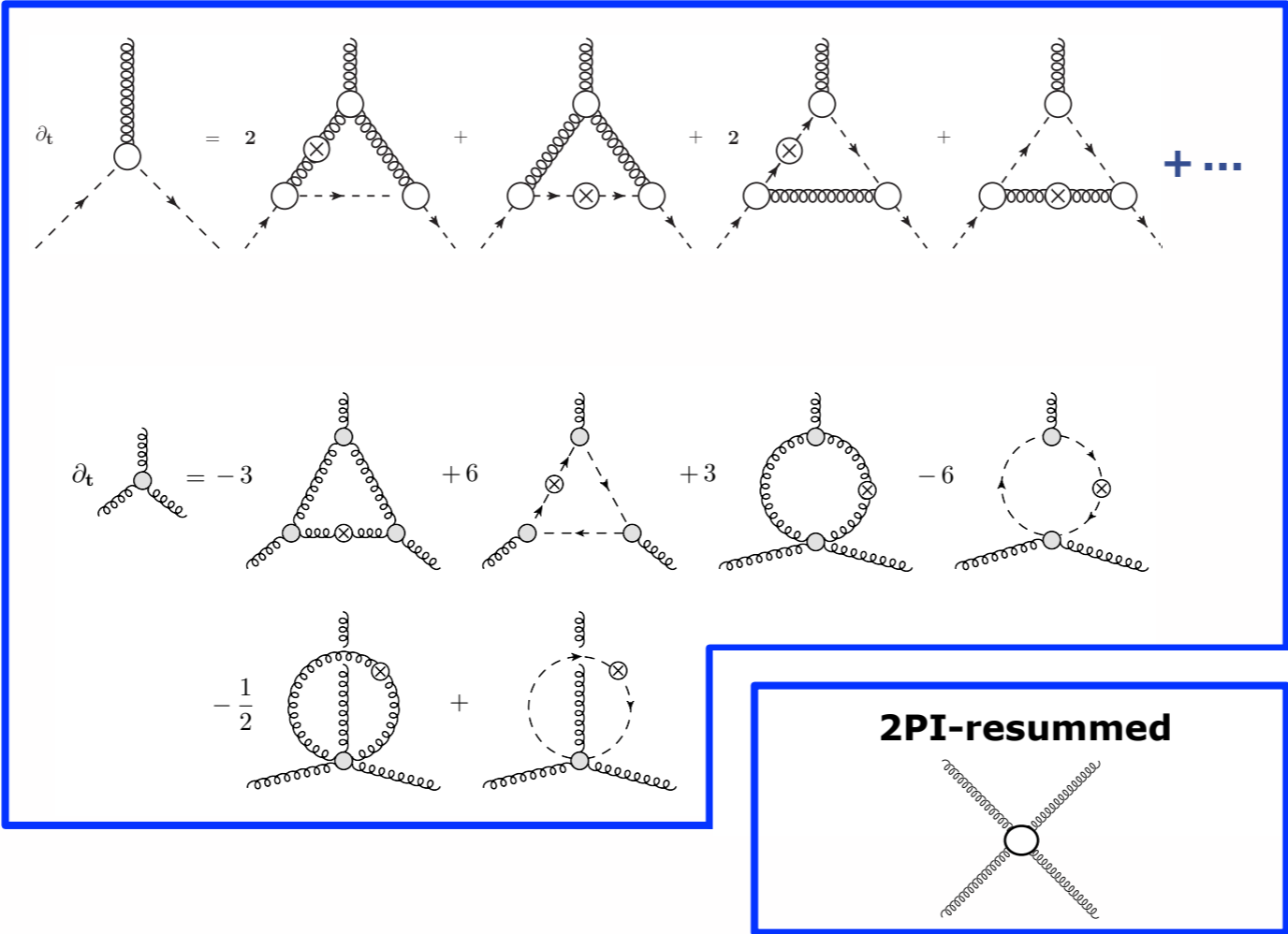
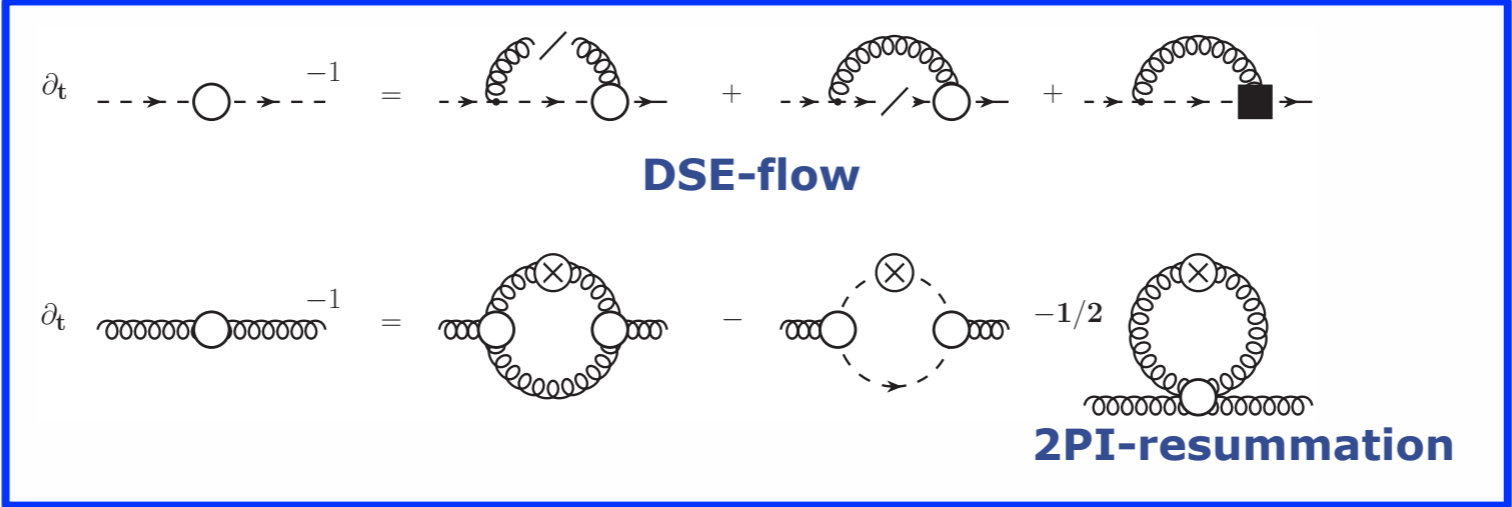


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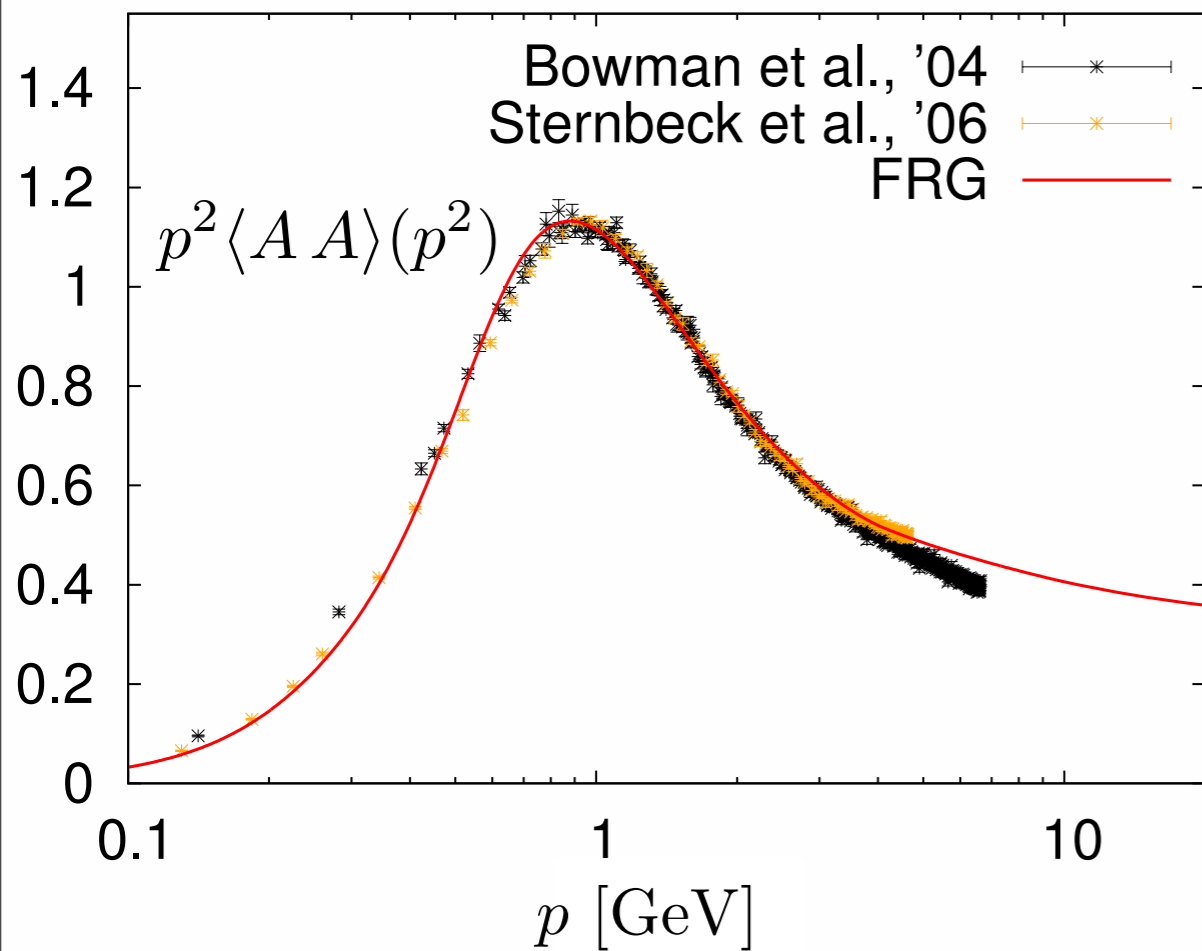
Dynamical hadronisation \rightarrow **dynamical**
Gies, Wetterich '01
JMP '05
Flörchinger, Wetterich '09

Glue sector



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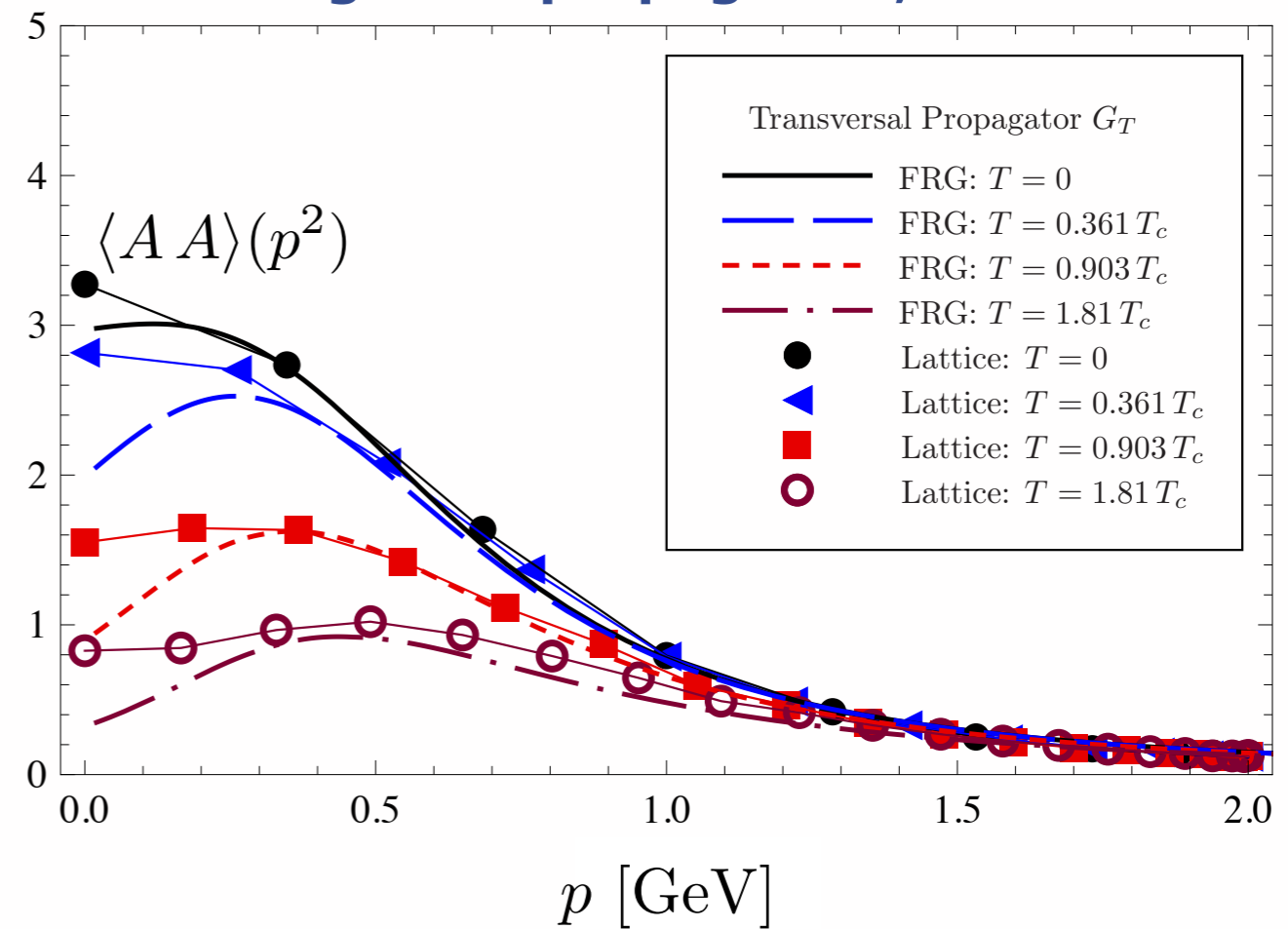
Yang-Mills propagators, $T=0$



Fischer, Maas, JMP, Annals Phys. 324 (2009) 2408

Fister, JMP '14

Yang-Mills propagators, finite T

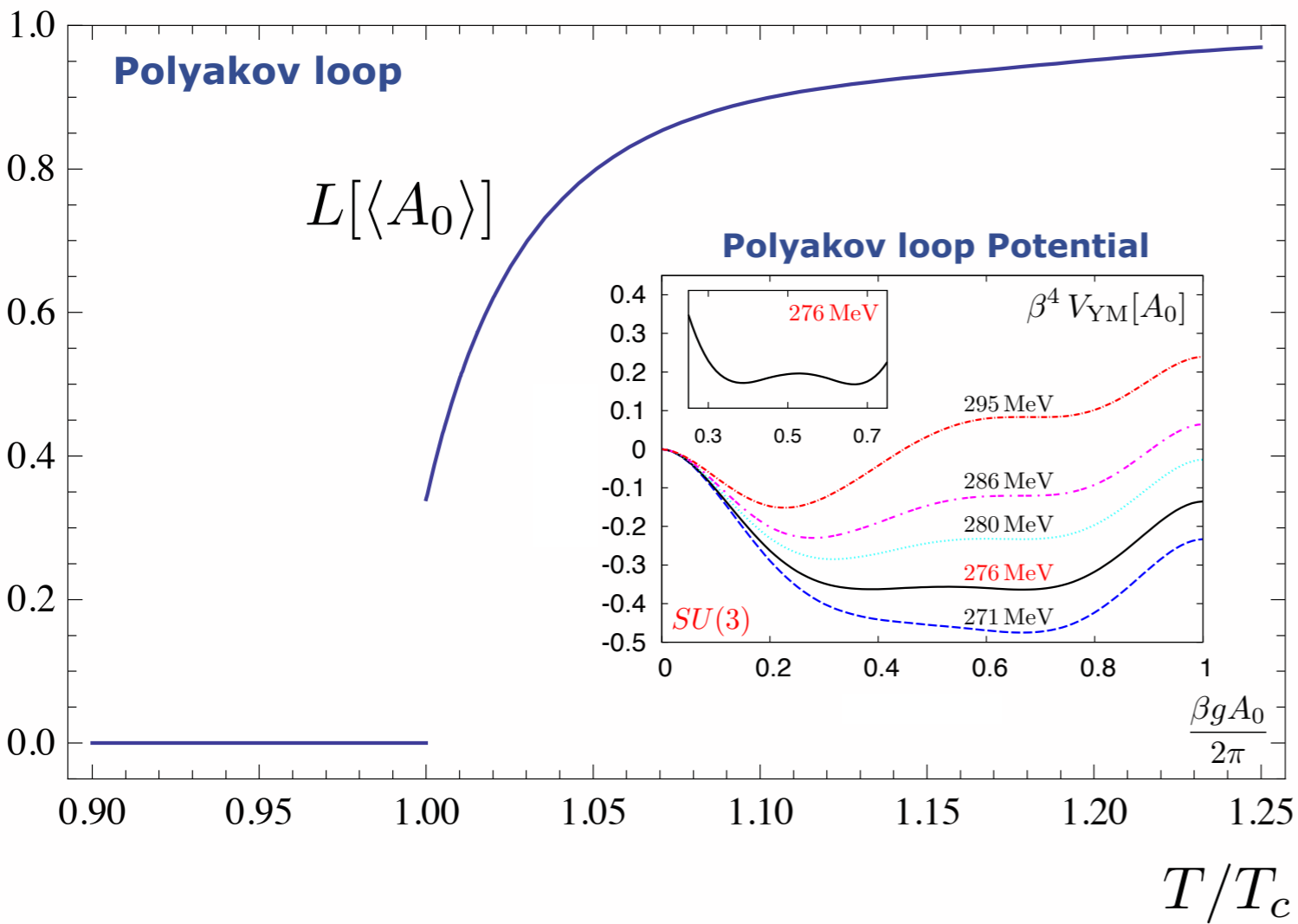


Fister, JMP, arXiv:1112.5440

Confinement

FRG: Braun, Gies, JMP, PLB 684 (2010) 262

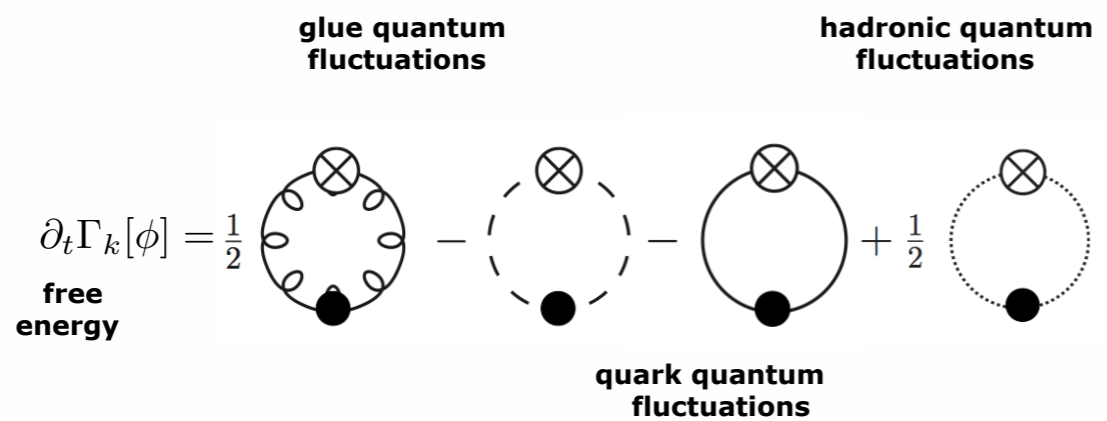
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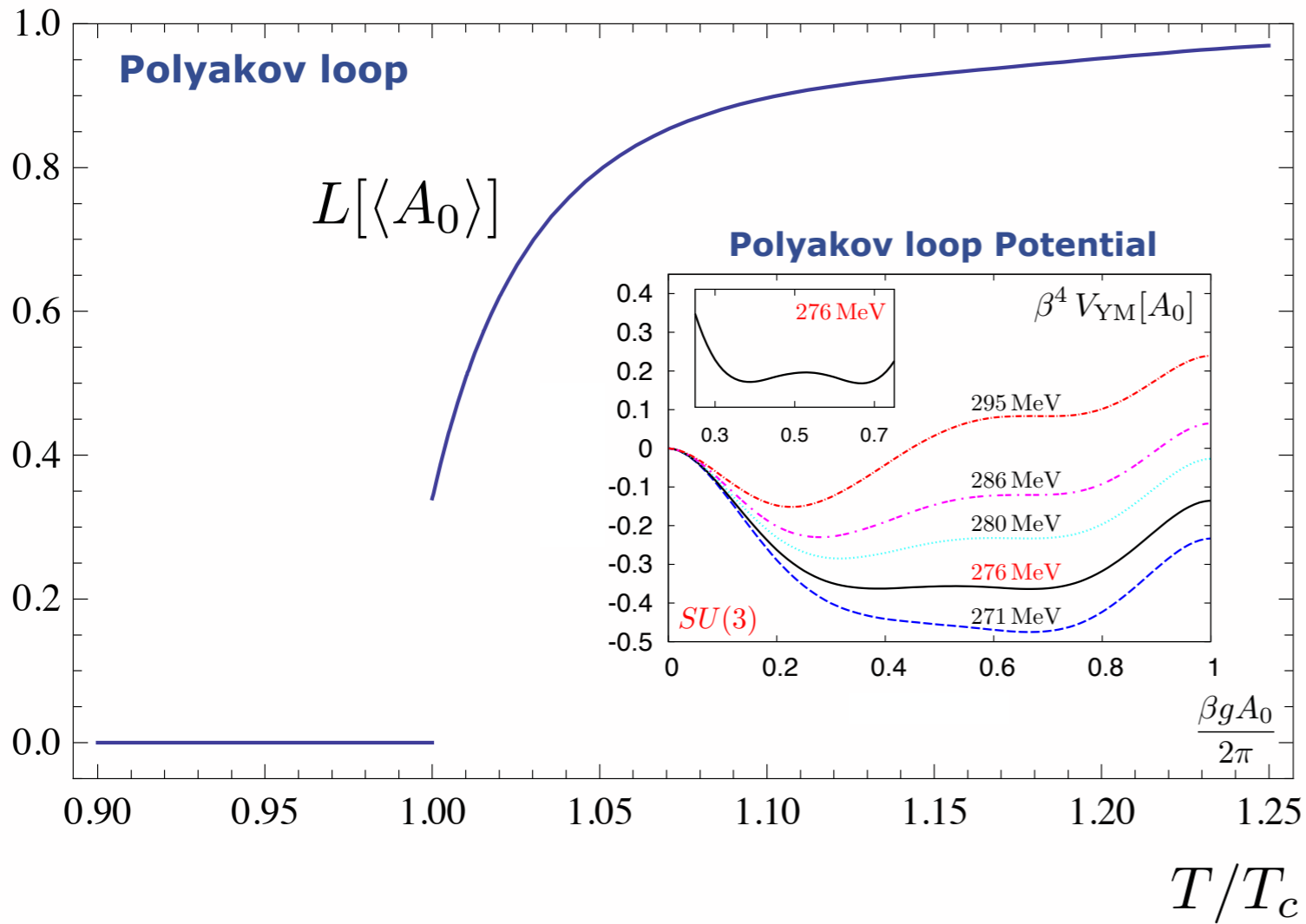
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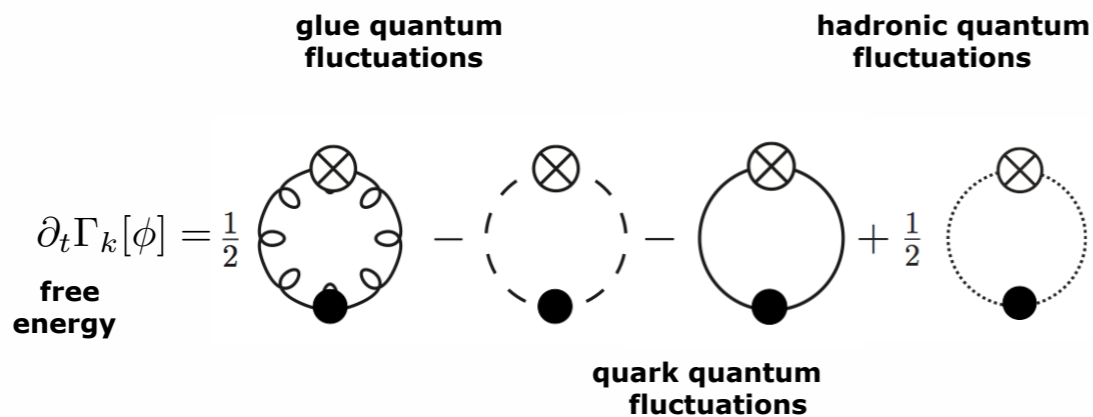


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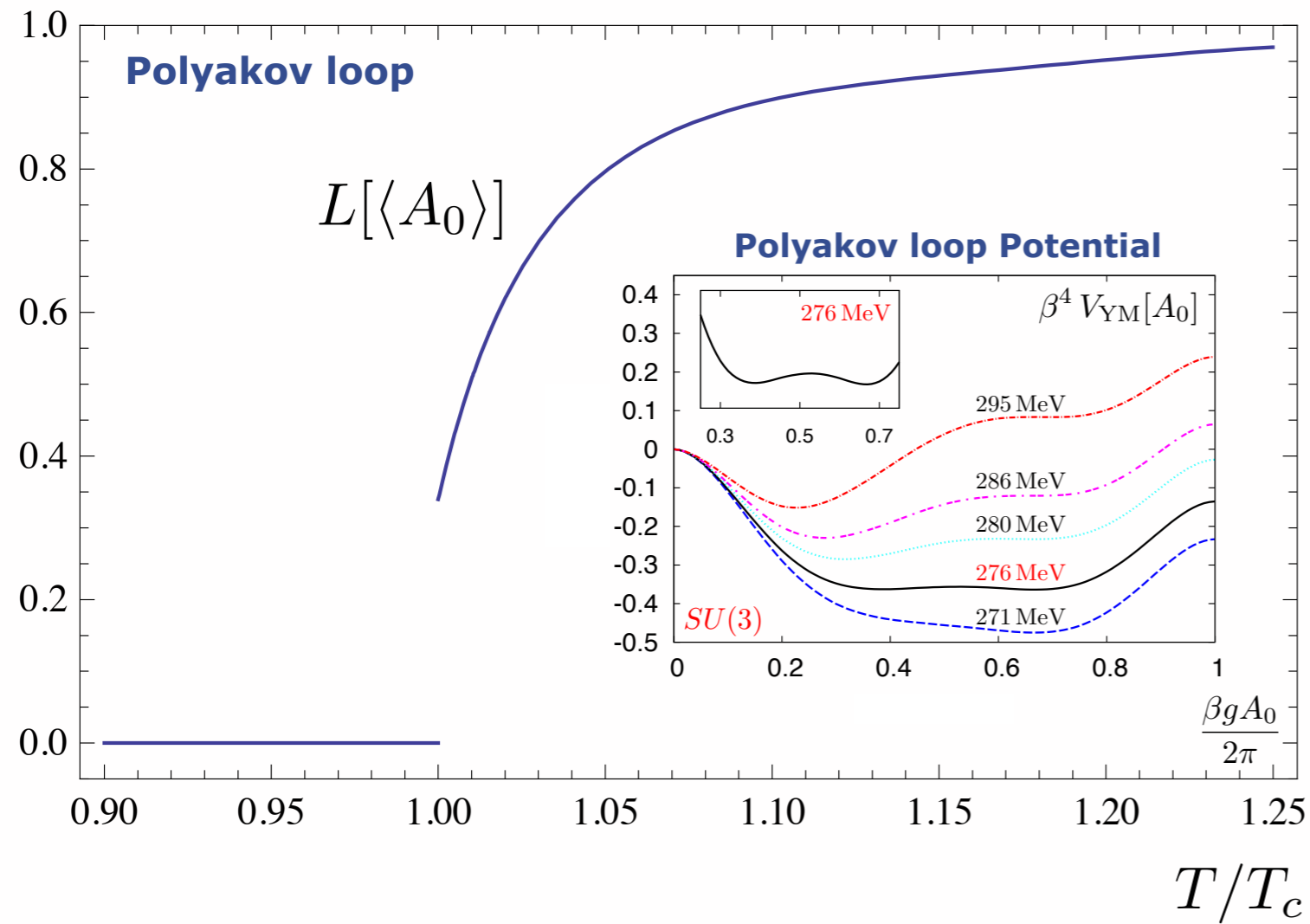


Braun, Gies, JMP '07
 Marhauser, JMP '08
 Fister, JMP '13

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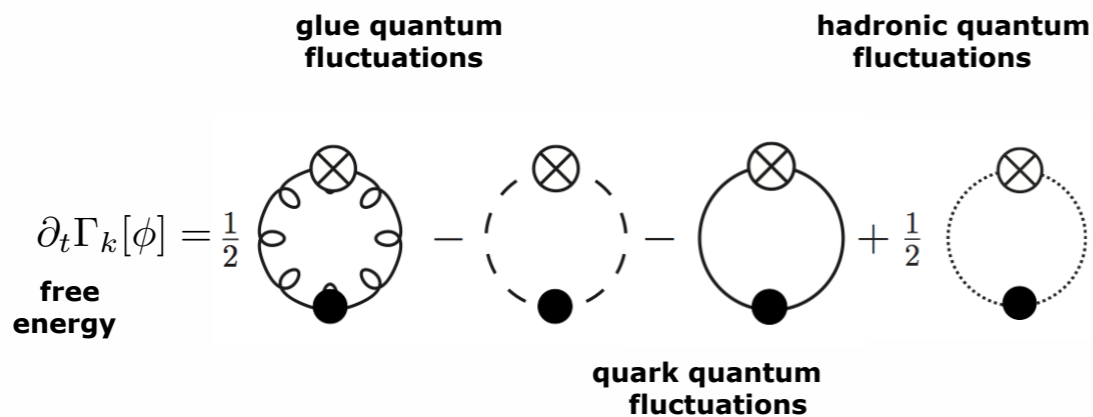
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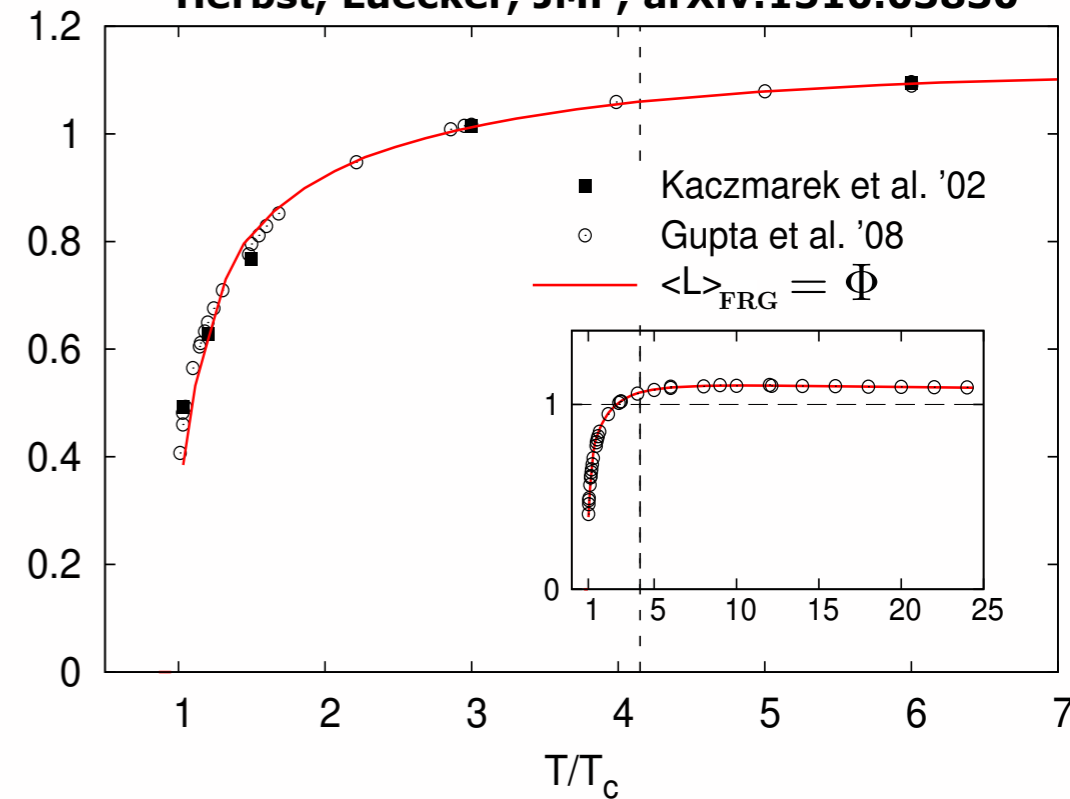


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Herbst, Luecker, JMP, arXiv:1510.03830



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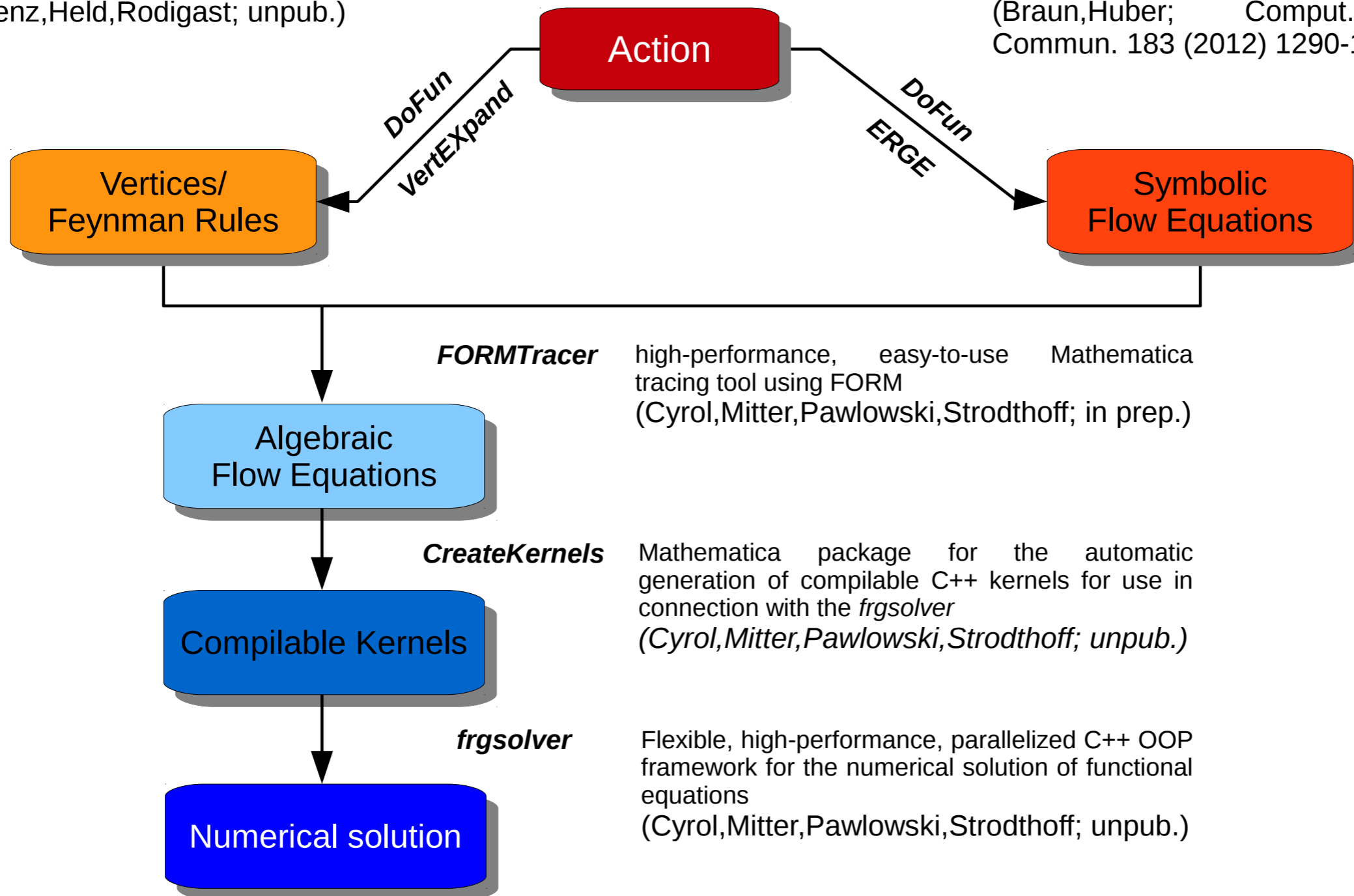
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FORMTracer

high-performance, easy-to-use Mathematica tracing tool using FORM (Cyrol,Mitter,Pawlowski,Strodthoff; in prep.)

CreateKernels

Mathematica package for the automatic generation of compilable C++ kernels for use in connection with the *frgsolver* (Cyrol,Mitter,Pawlowski,Strodthoff; unpub.)

frgsolver

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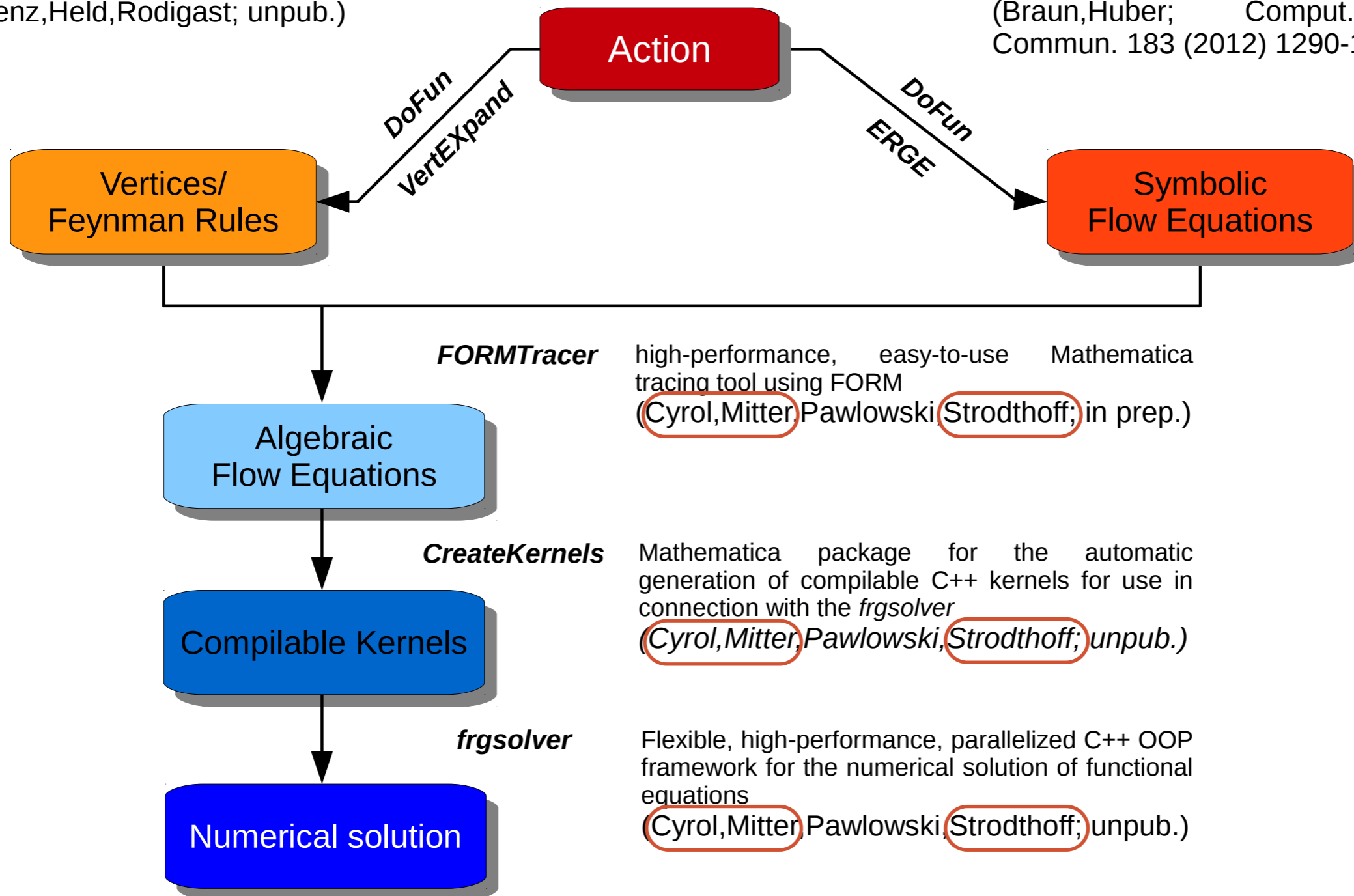
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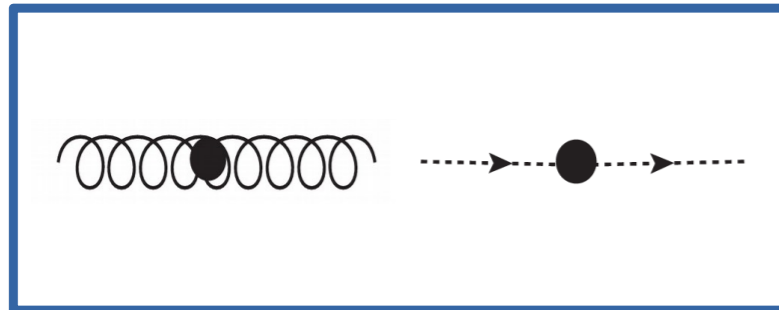
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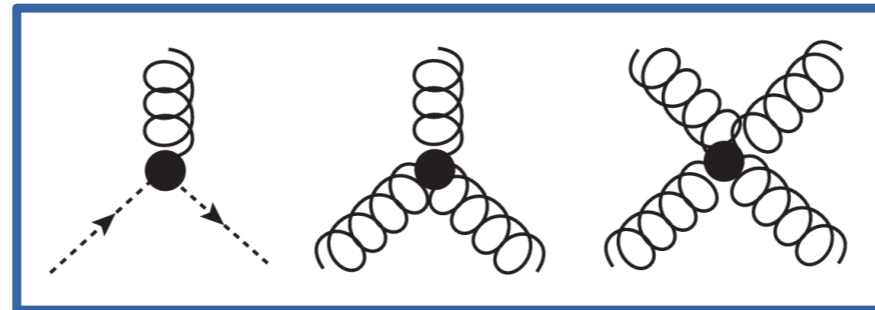
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Chiral symmetry breaking

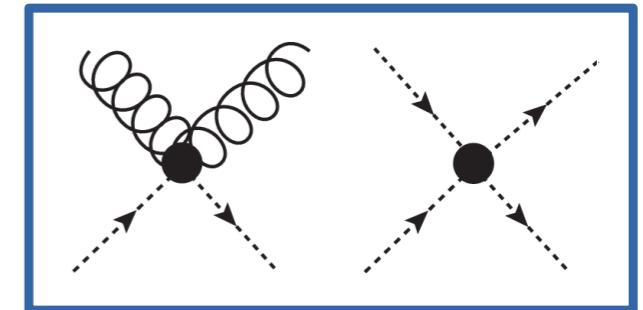
Expansion of effective action in 1PI correlators



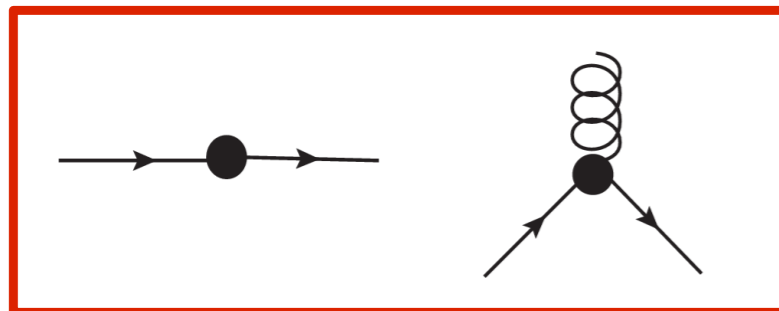
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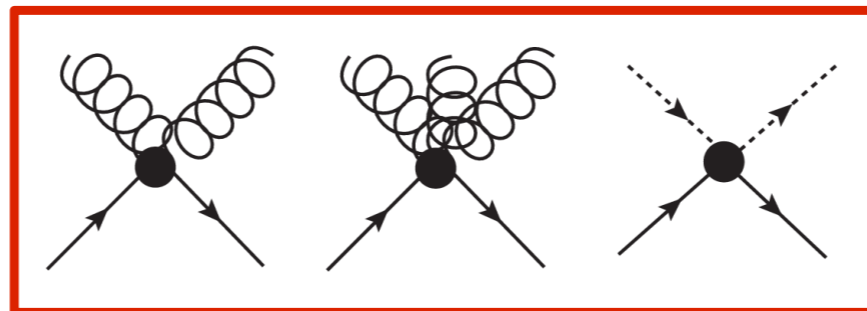
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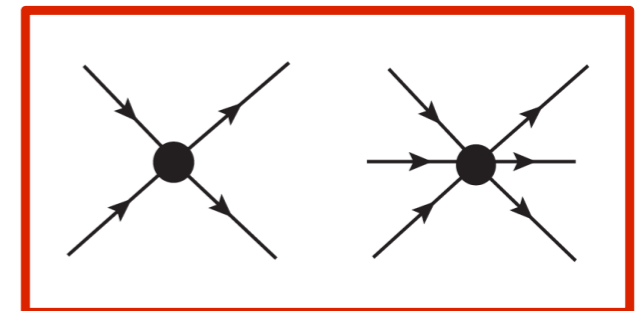
- under investigation:
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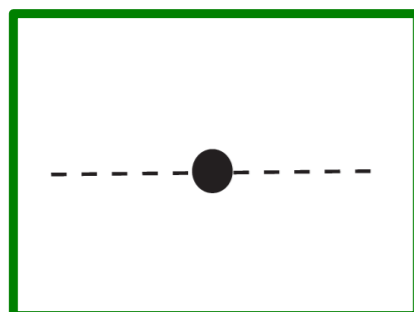
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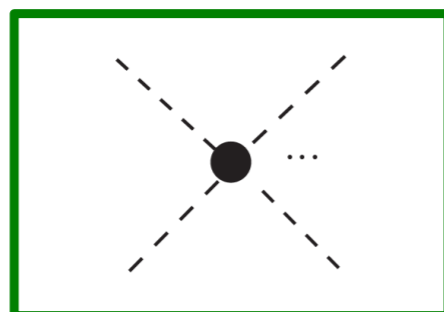
- partial tensor structure
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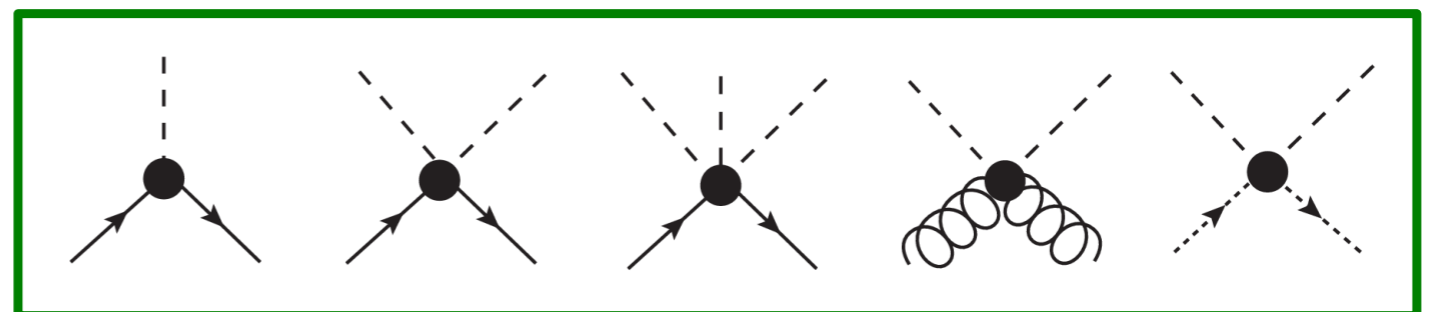
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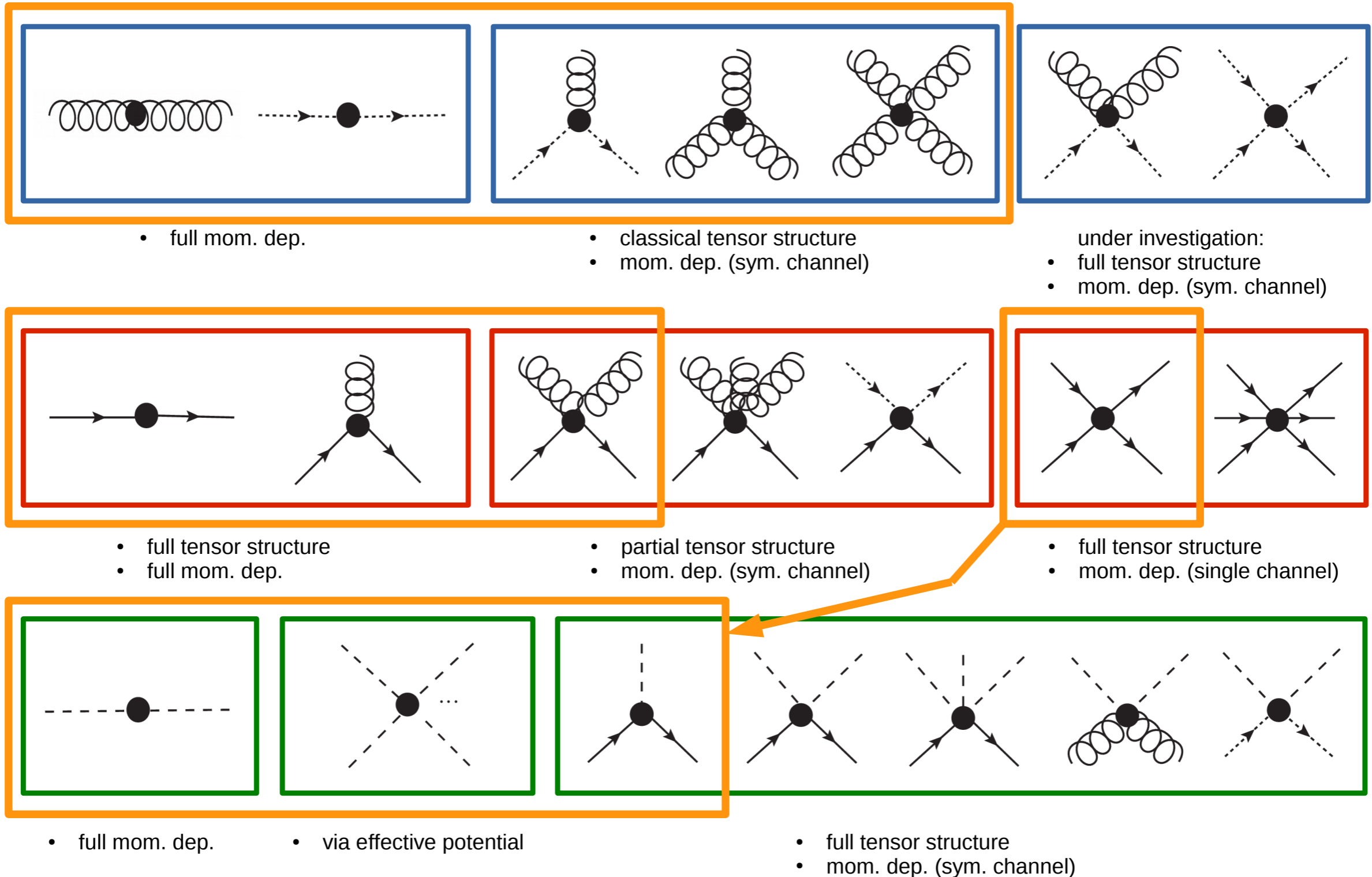
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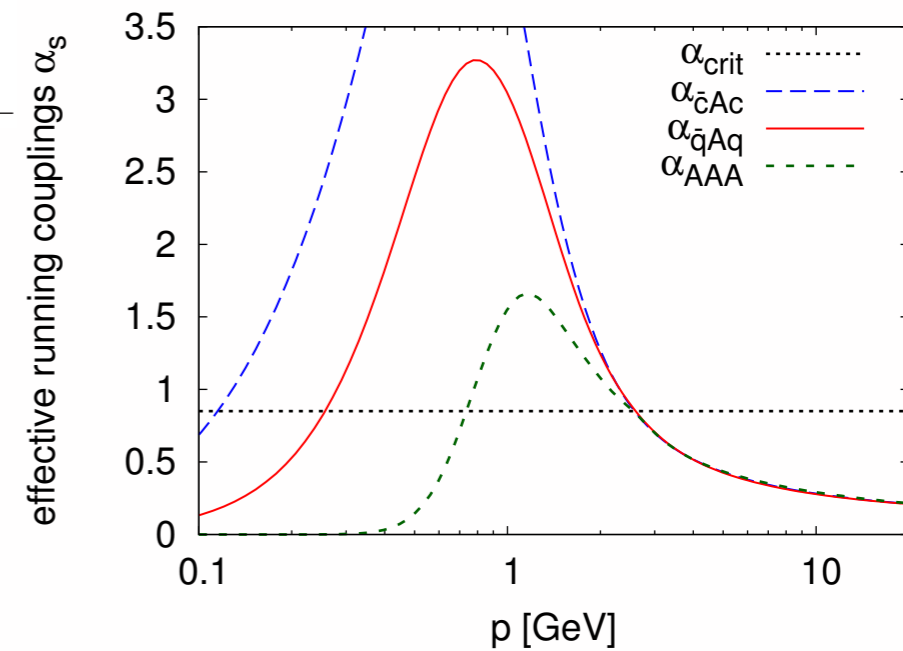
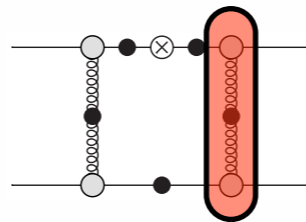
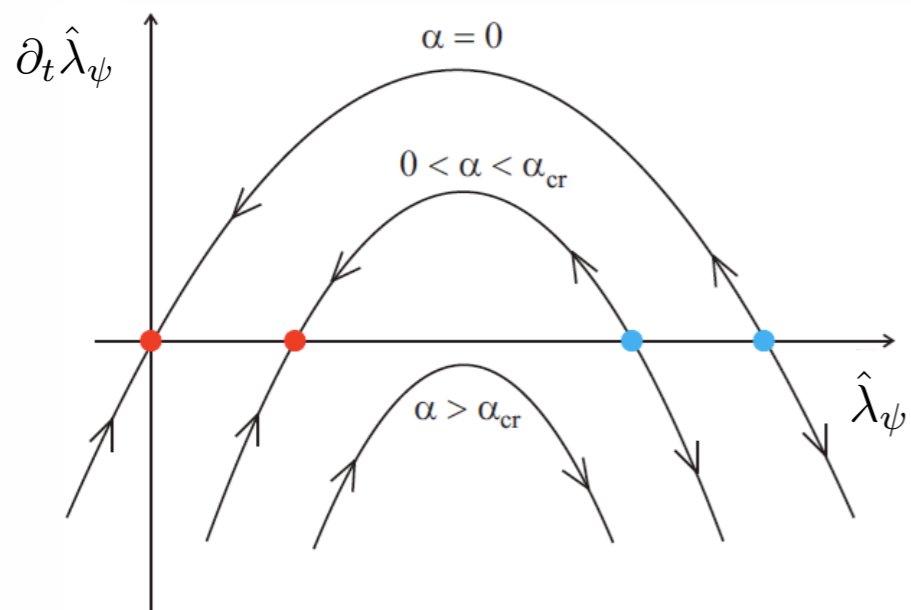
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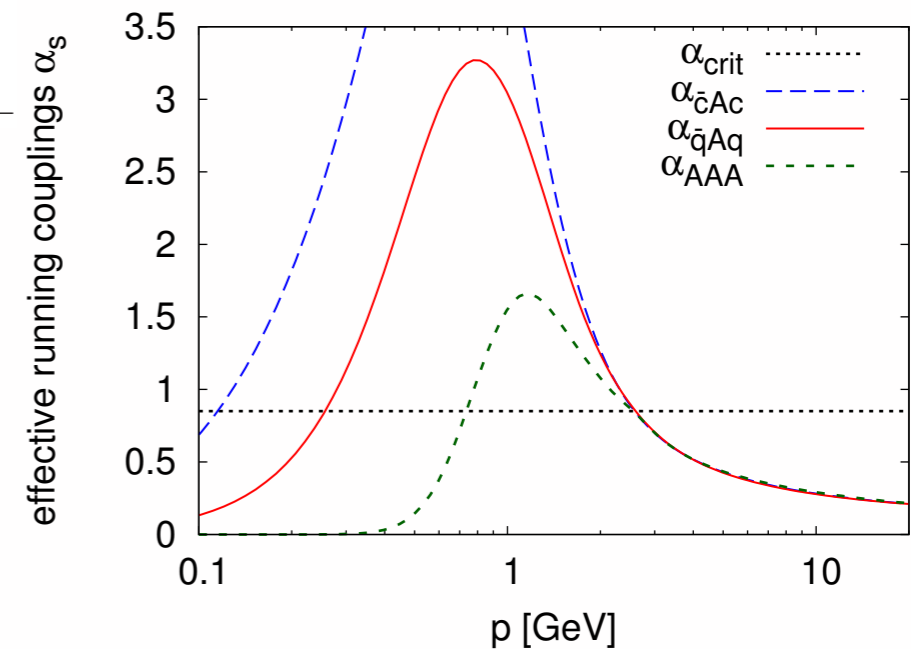
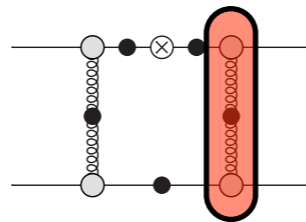
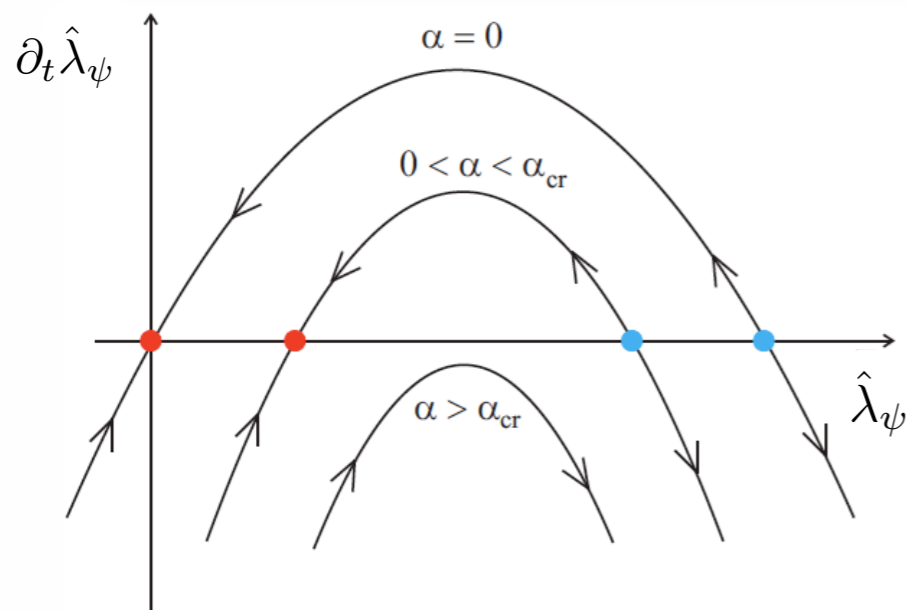
Mitter, JMP, Strodthoff '14

Braun, Fister, Haas, JMP, Rennecke '14

$$k\partial_k \hat{\lambda}_\psi = 2\hat{\lambda}_\psi + \text{[diagrams]}$$

The equation shows the beta function for the ghost coupling. The first term is $2\hat{\lambda}_\psi$. The subsequent terms are Feynman diagrams representing various loop corrections to the ghost self-energy and ghost-gluon vertex. The diagrams include a ghost loop, a ghost loop with a cross, a ghost loop with a red oval, and a ghost loop with a cross and a red oval. The diagrams are summed together, with an ellipsis indicating higher-order terms.

Confinement & symmetry breaking



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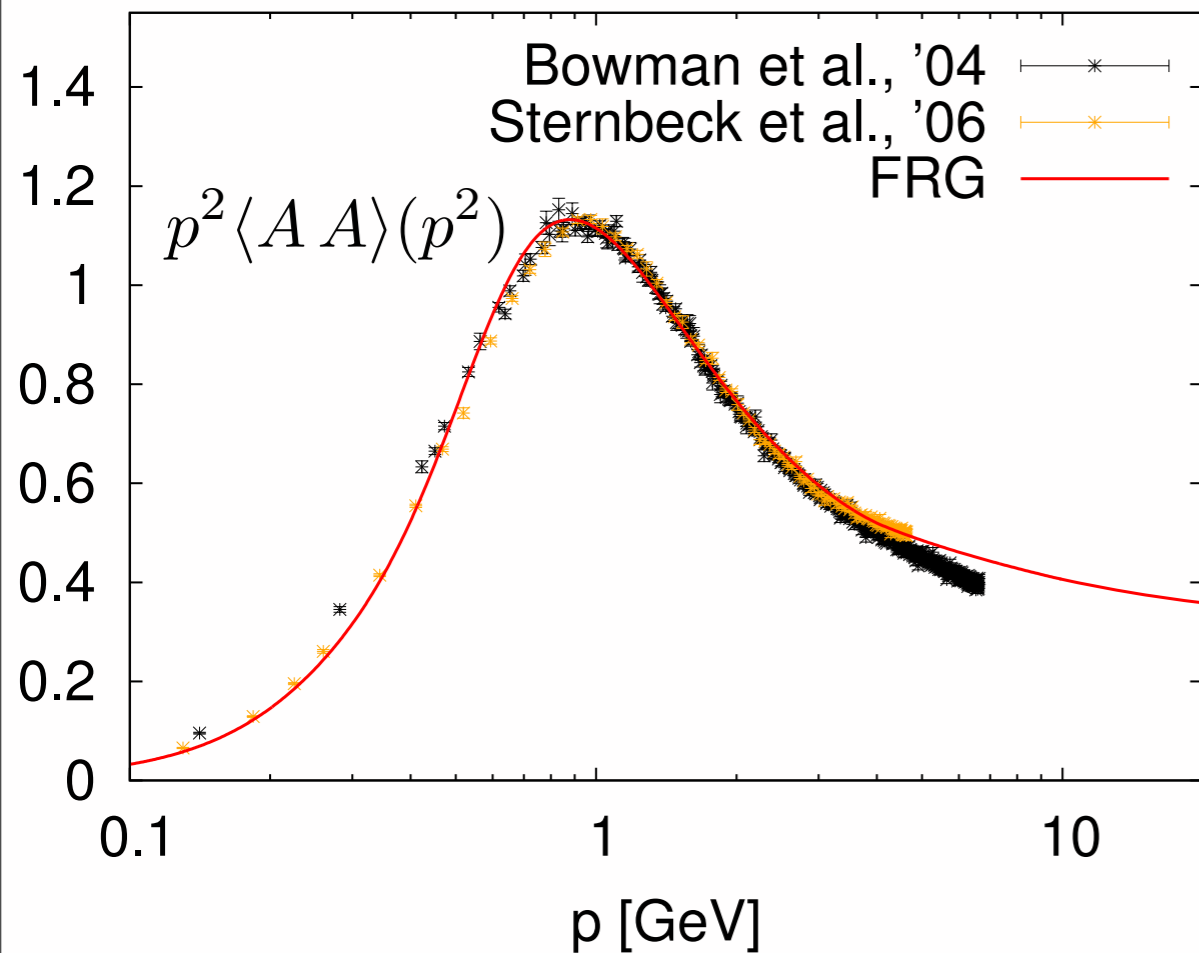
**gluon propagator
not gapped too much**

Cyrol, Fister, Mitter, JMP, Strodthoff, in prep

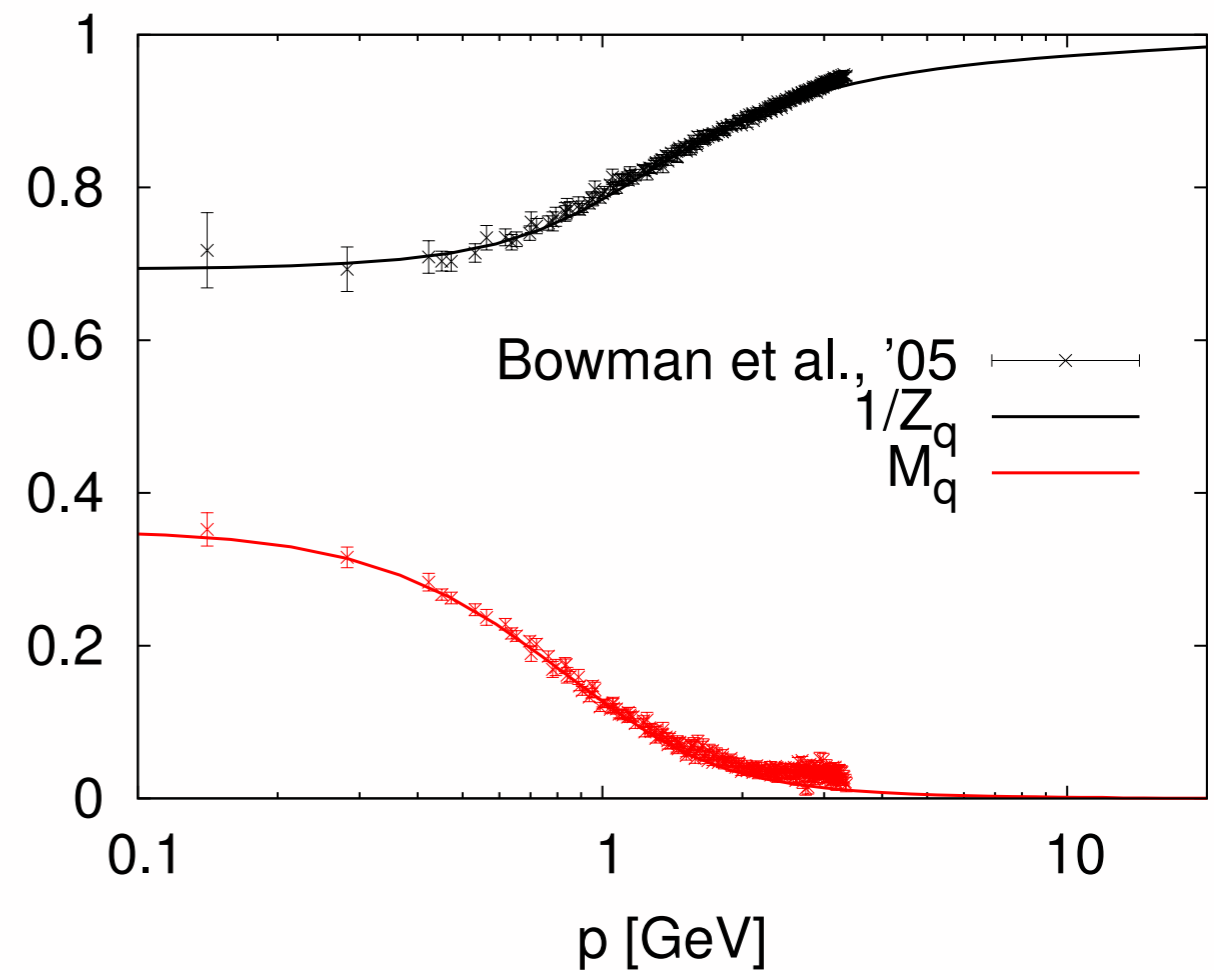
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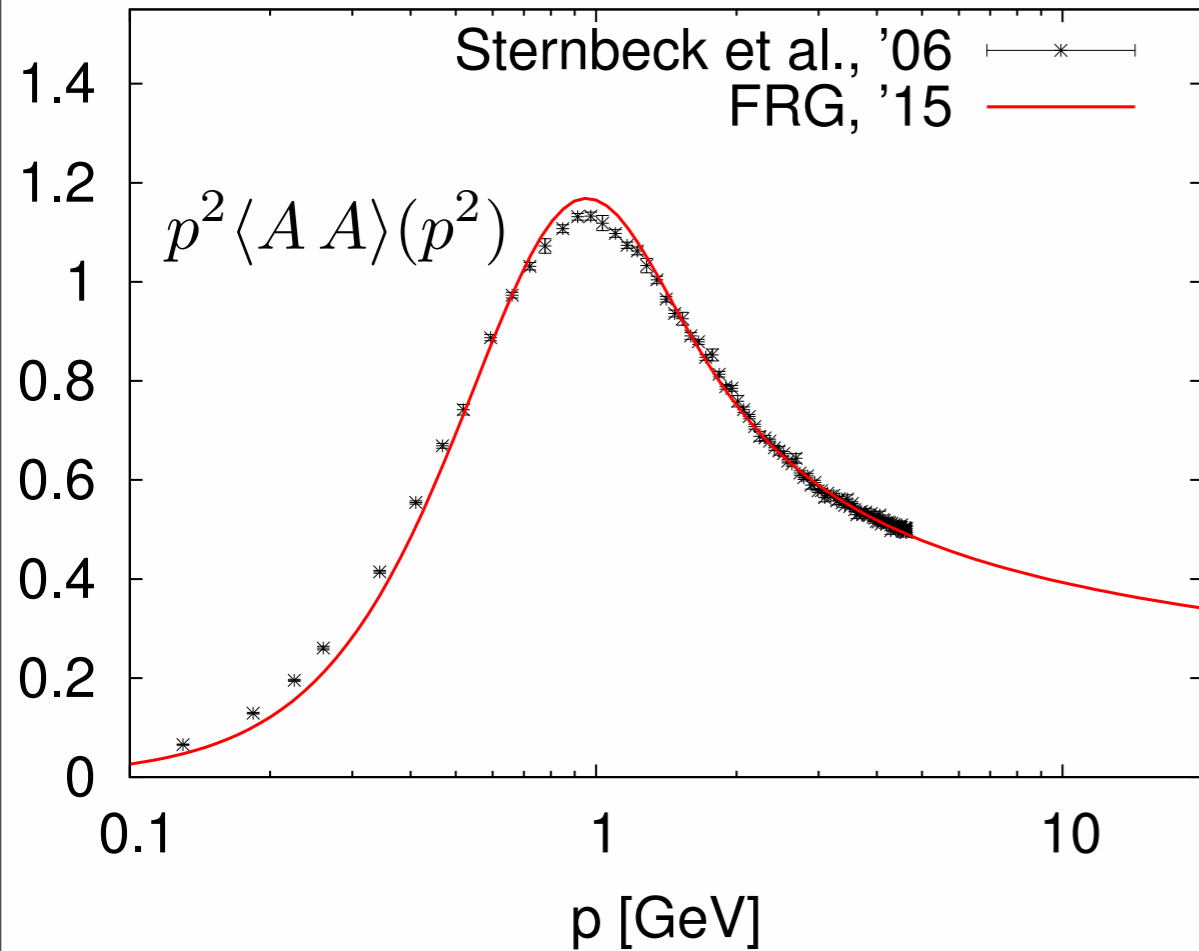
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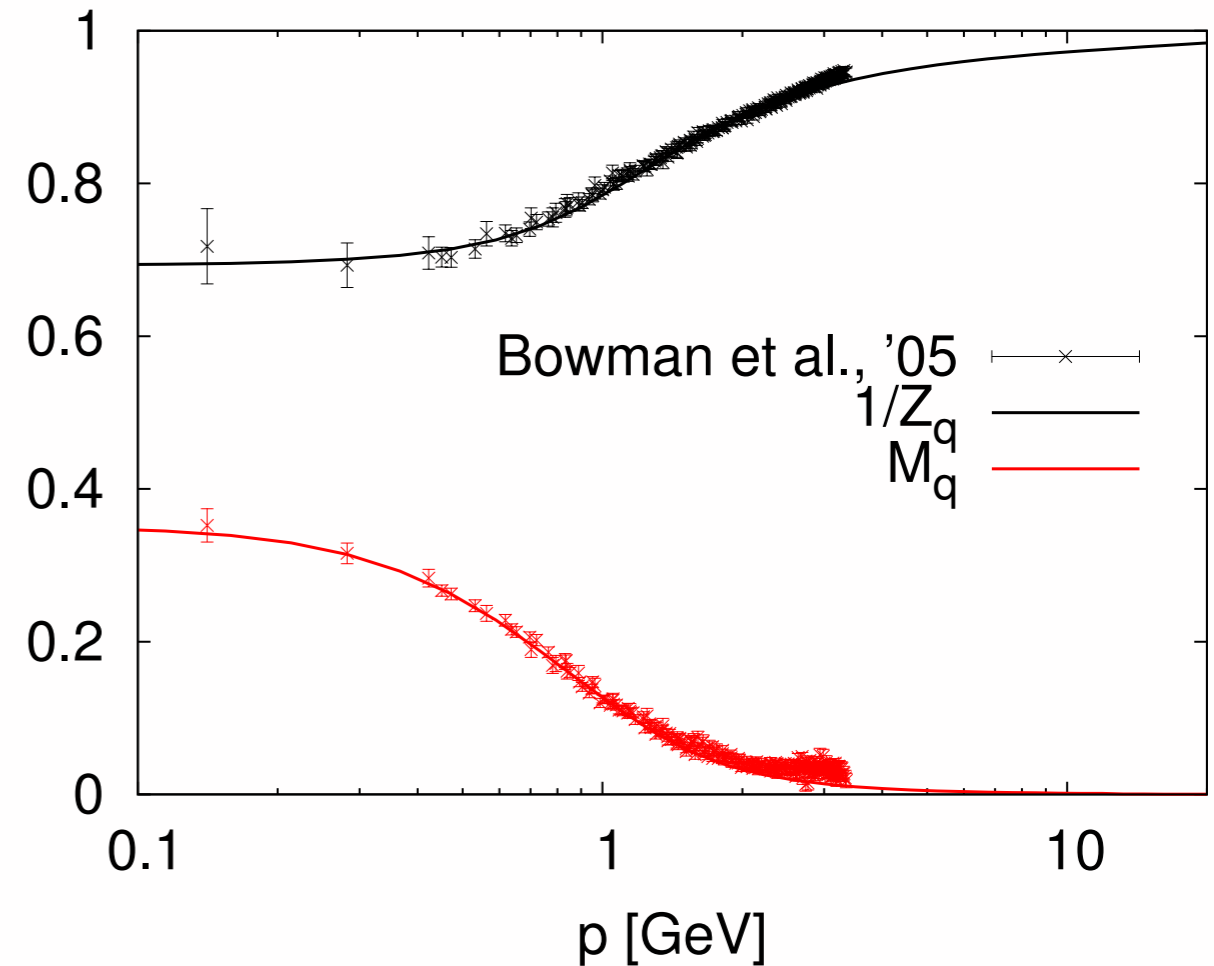
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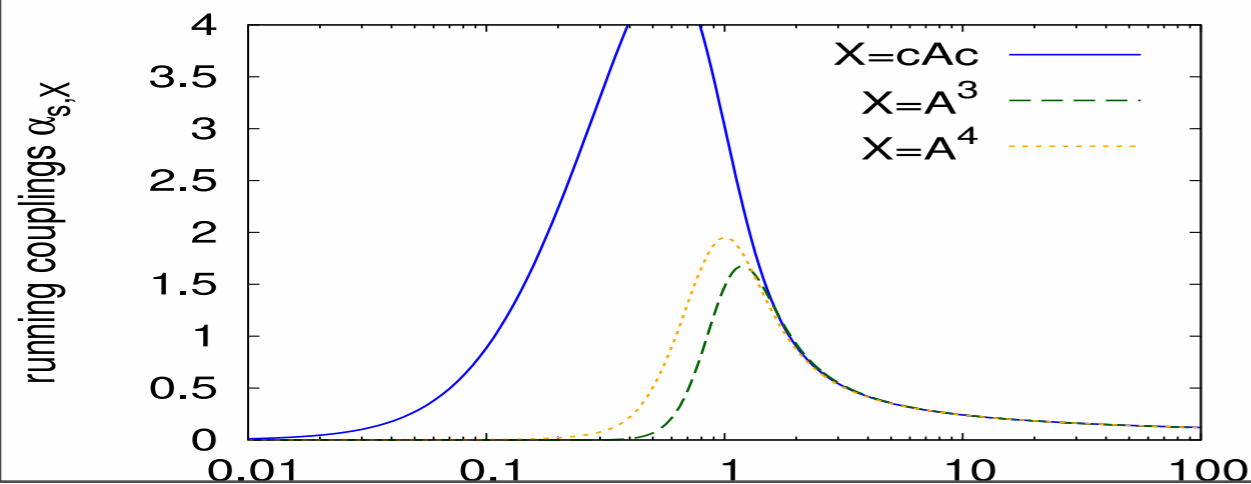
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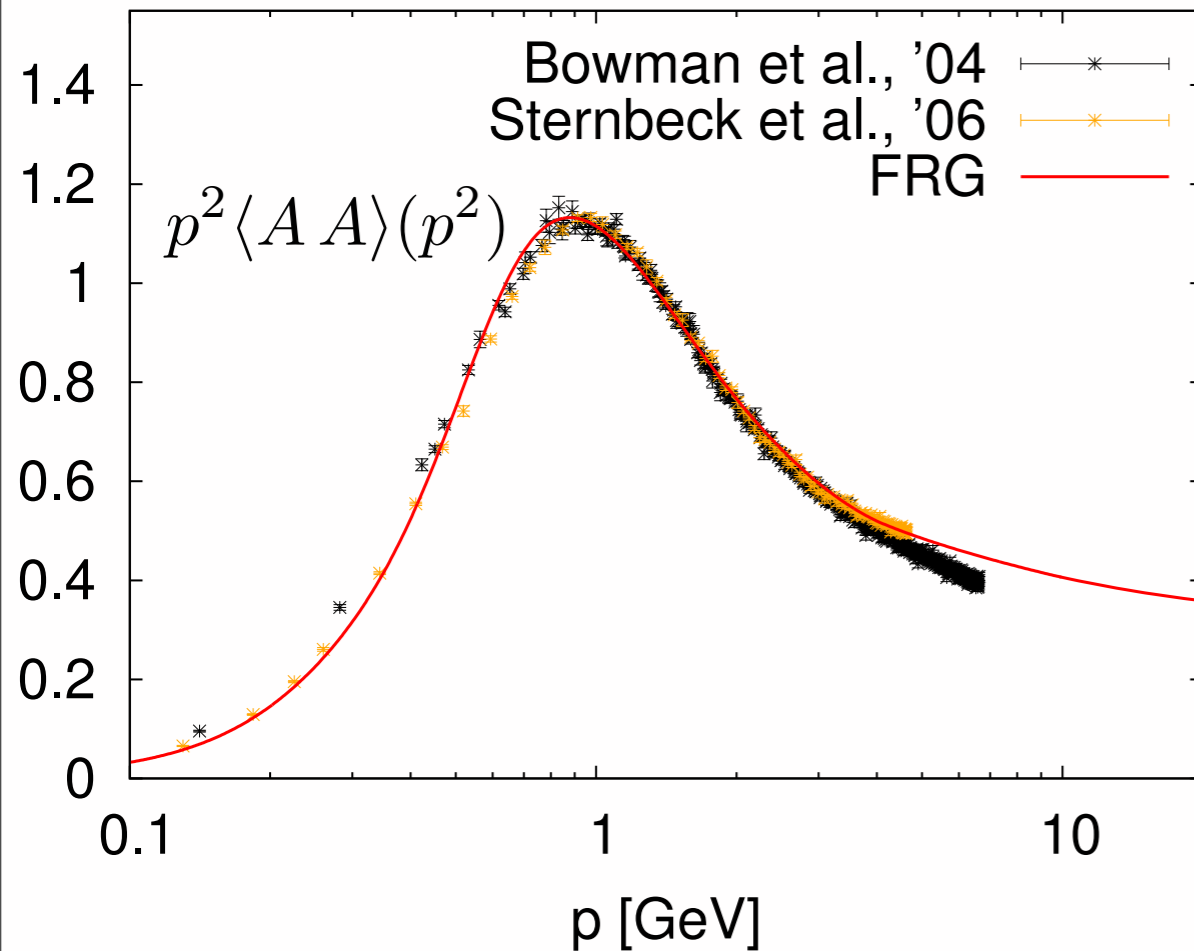
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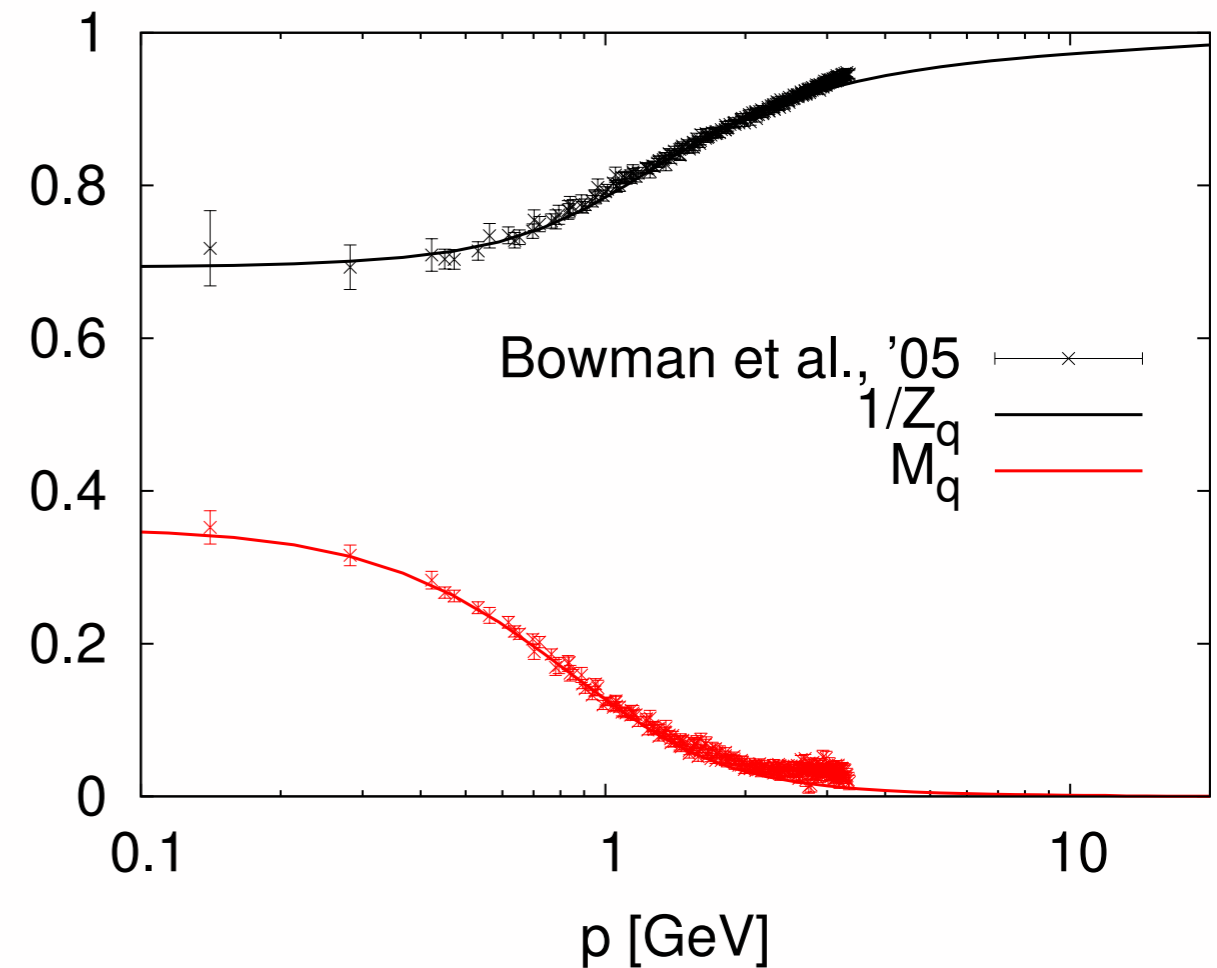
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JMP, Rennecke, PRD 90, 076002

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systematic error estimate: $\sim 10\%$

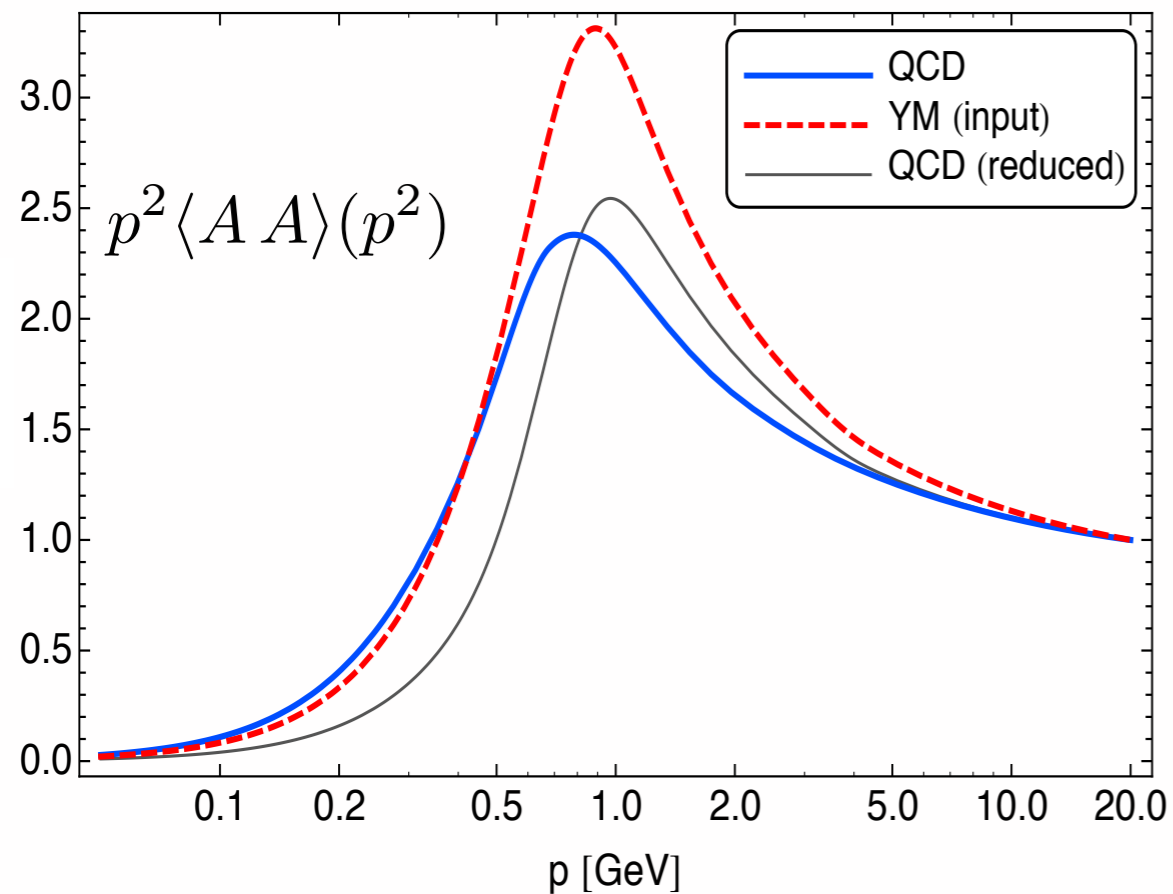
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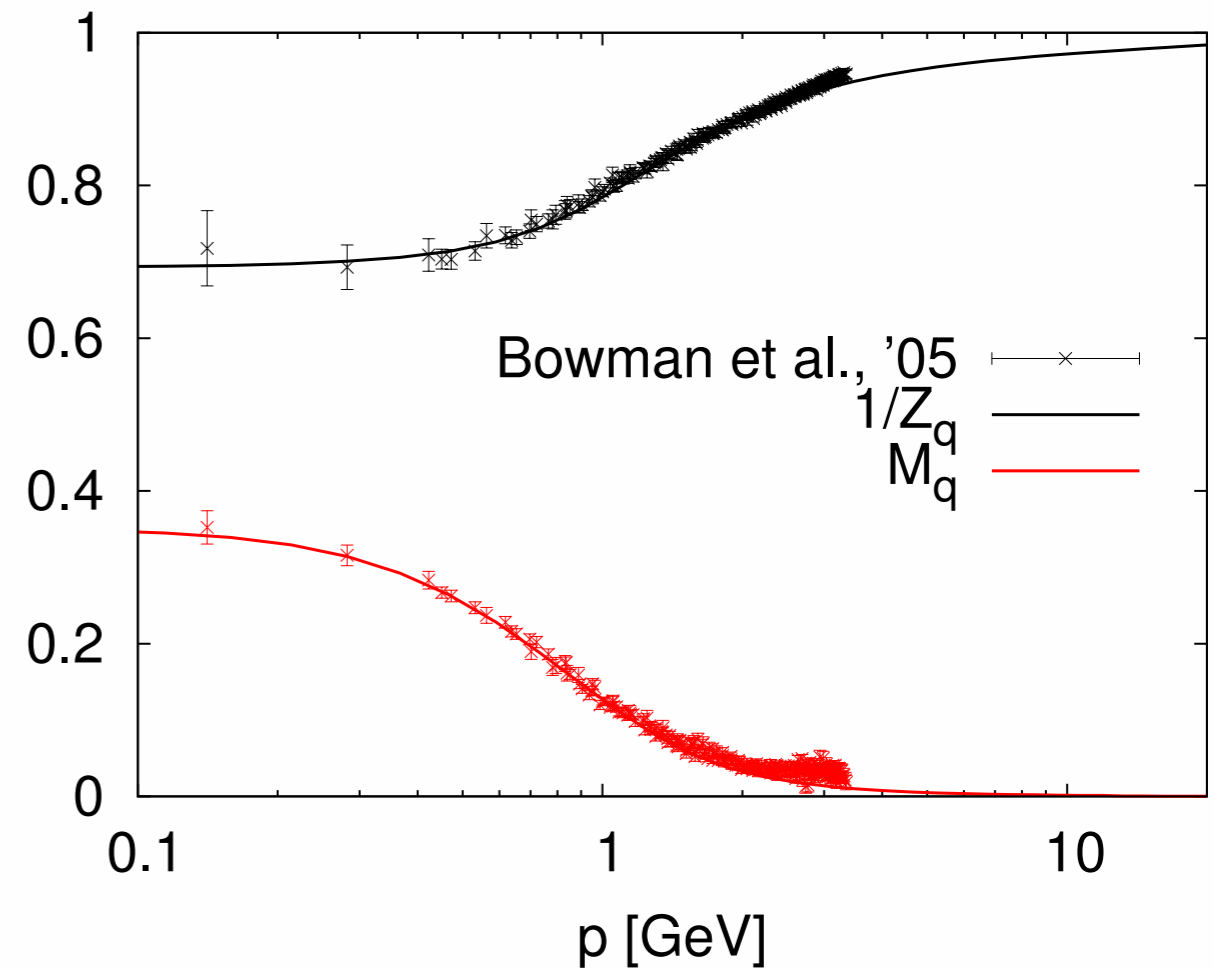
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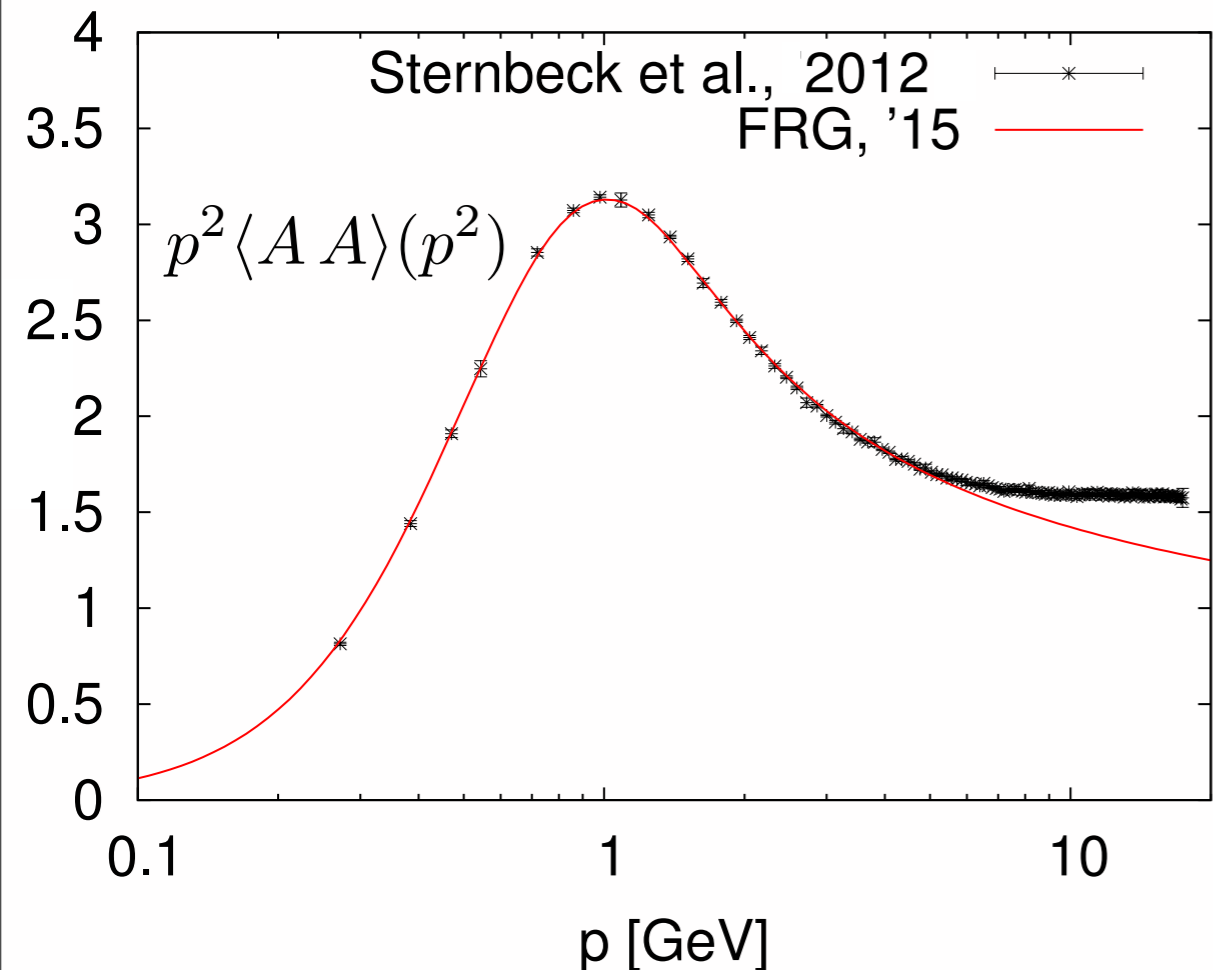
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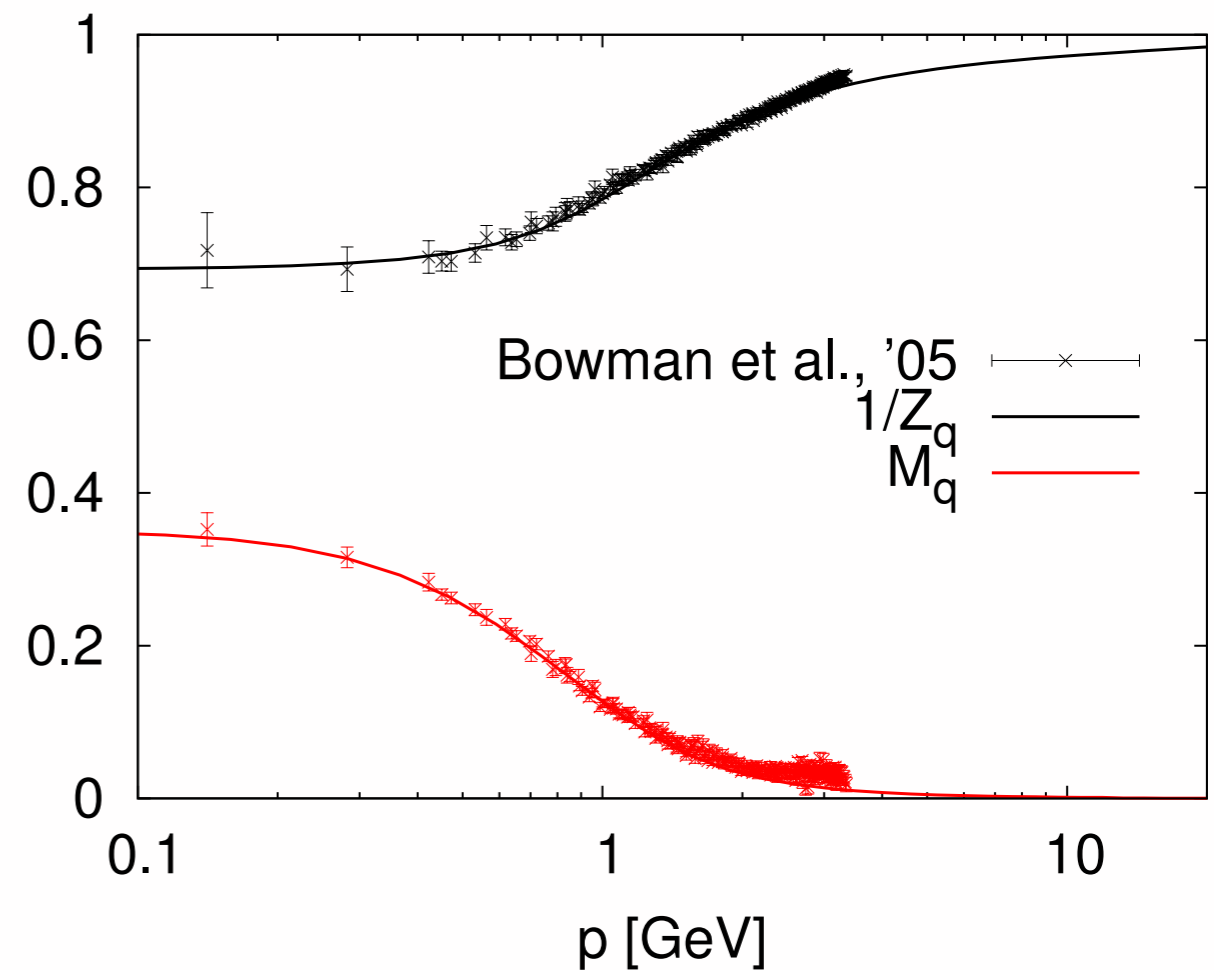
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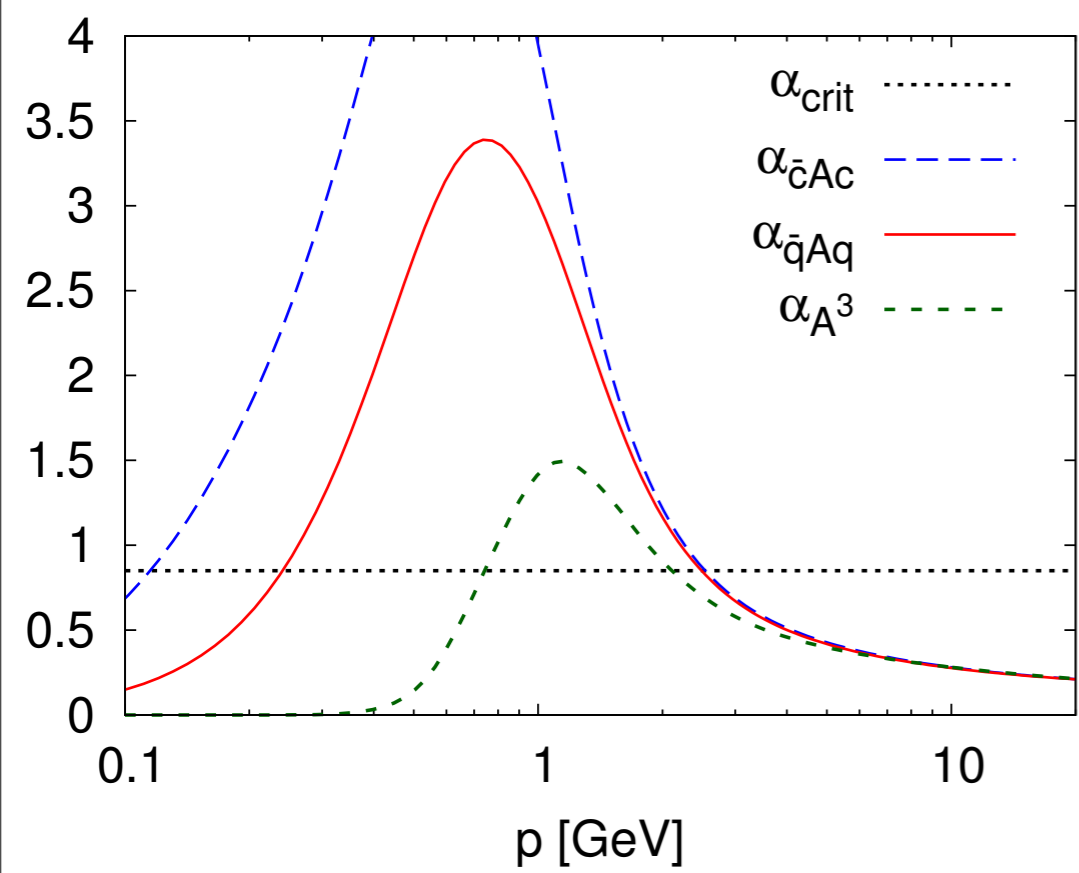
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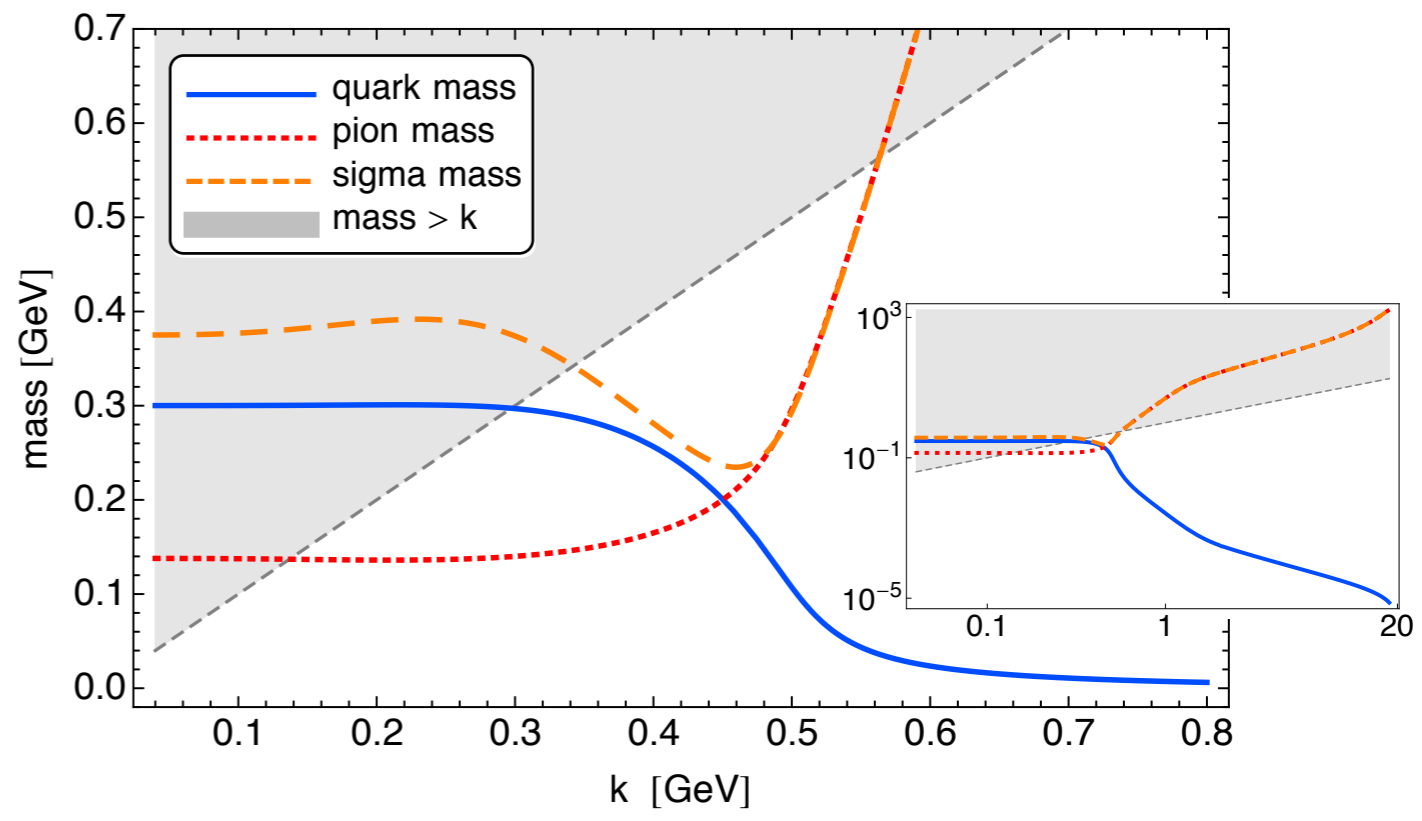
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Sequential decoupling of gluon, quark, sigma, pion fluctuations



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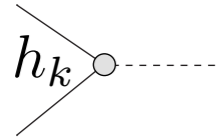


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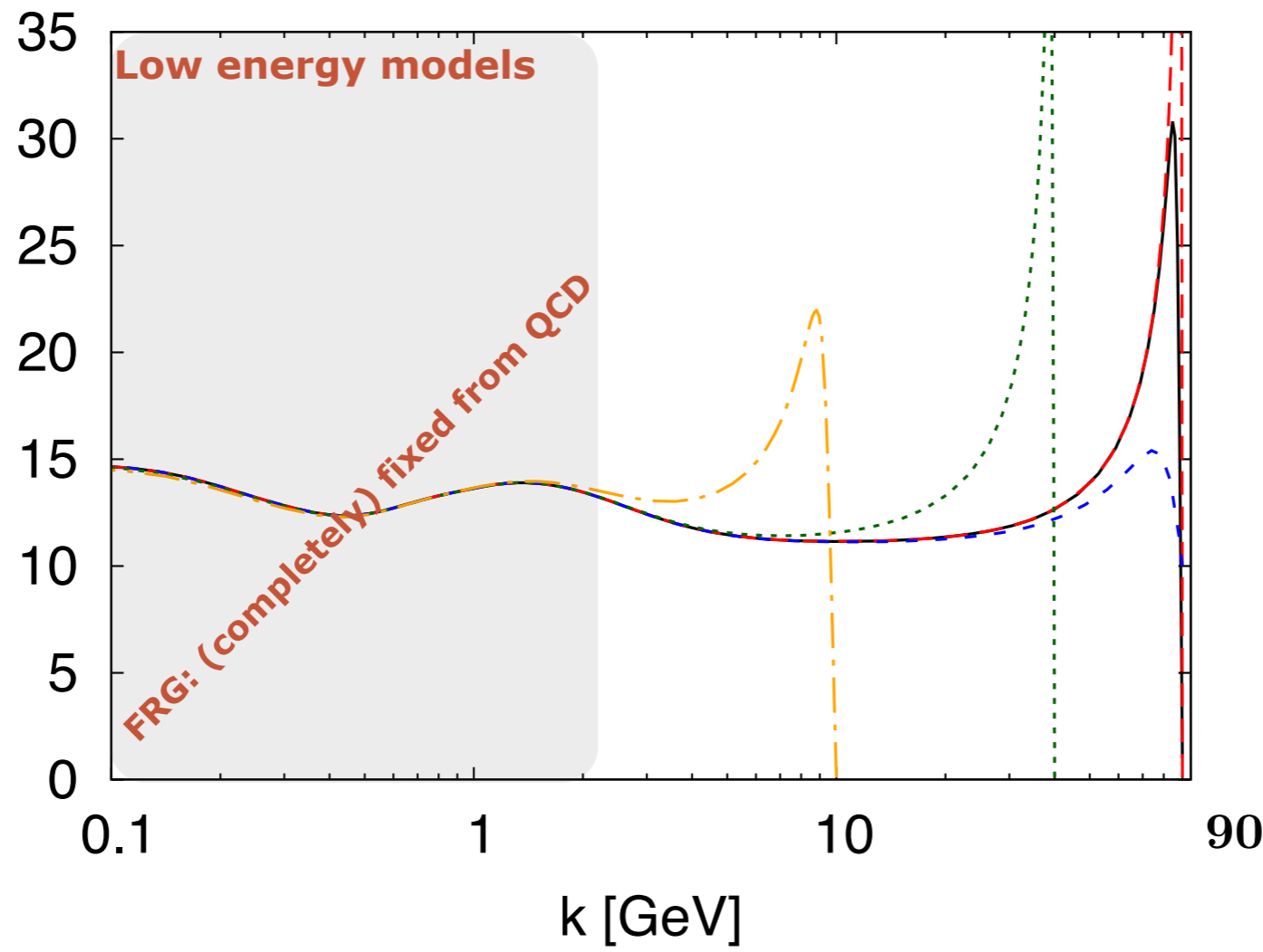
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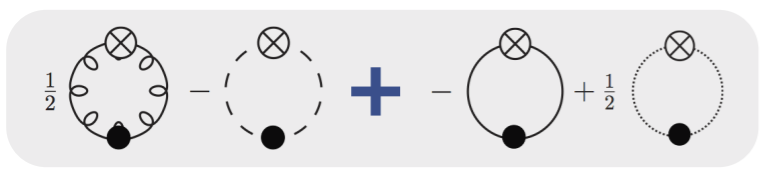
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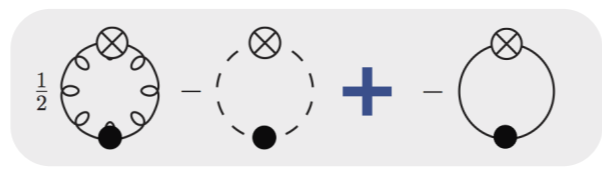
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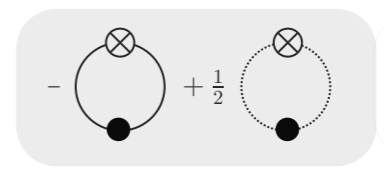
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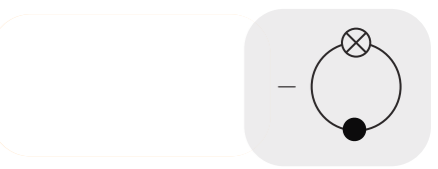
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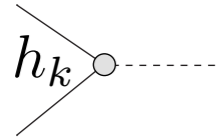


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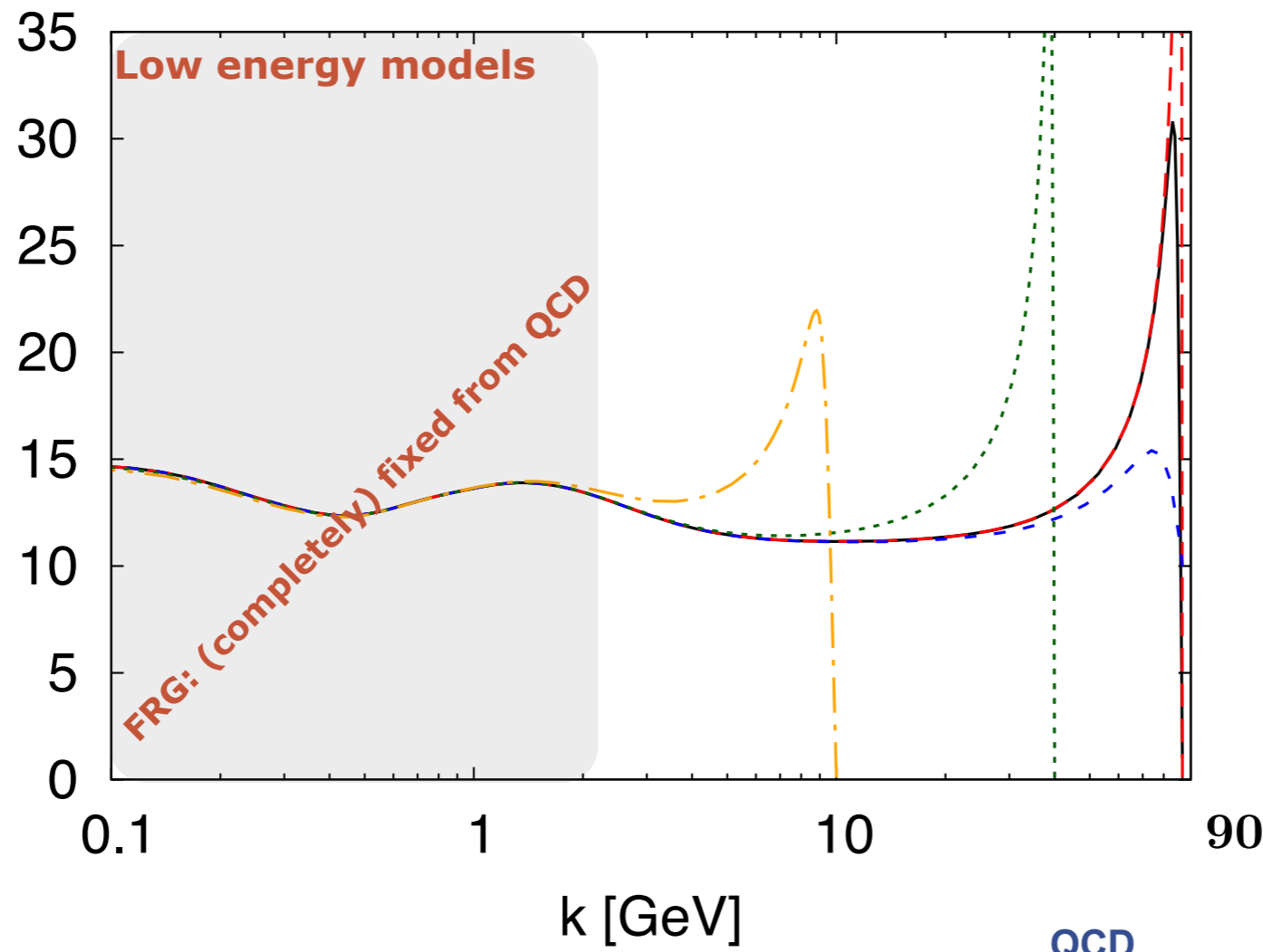


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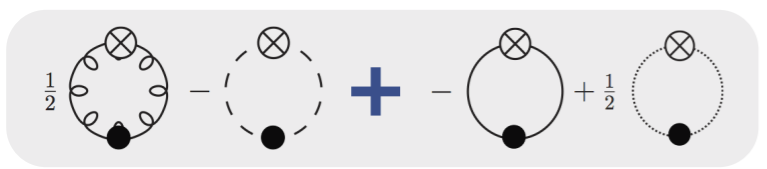
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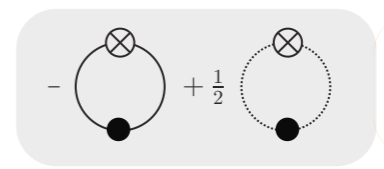
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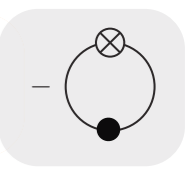
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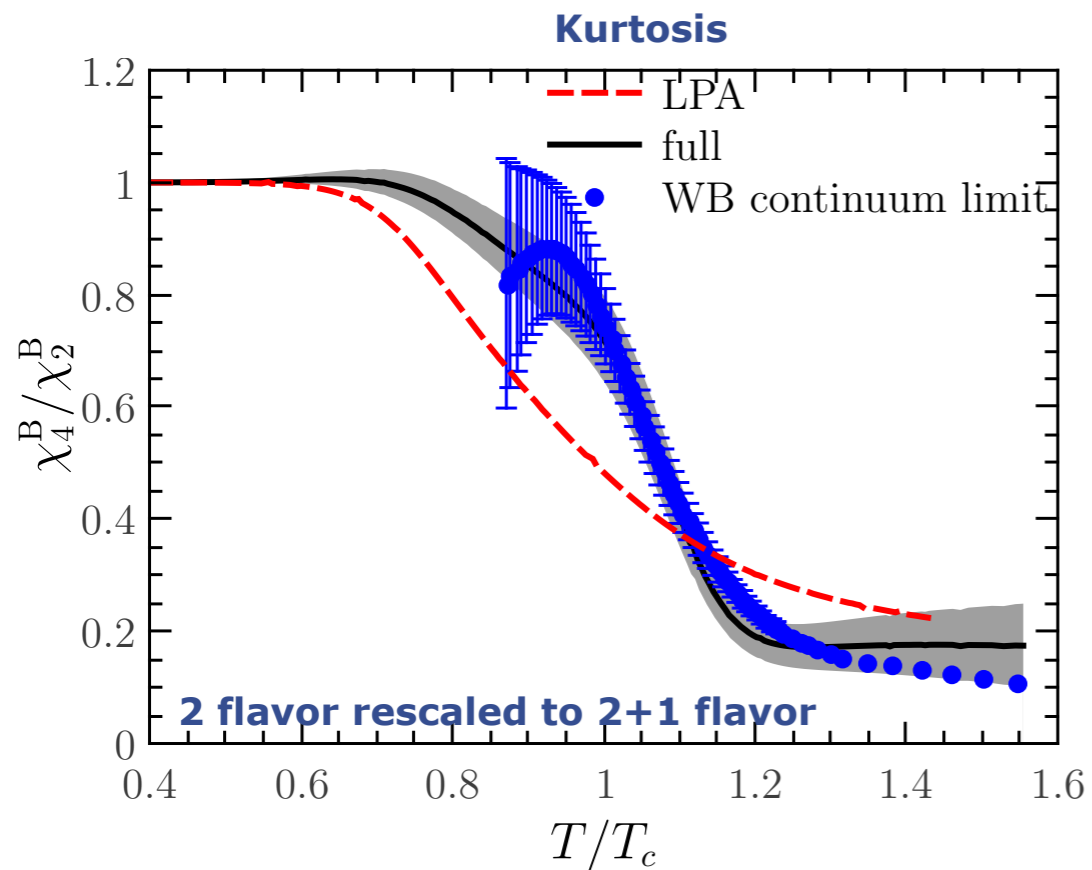


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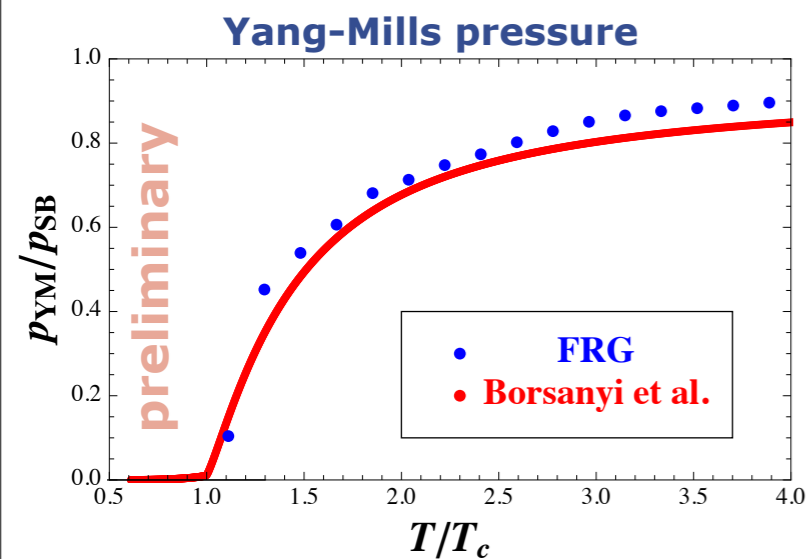
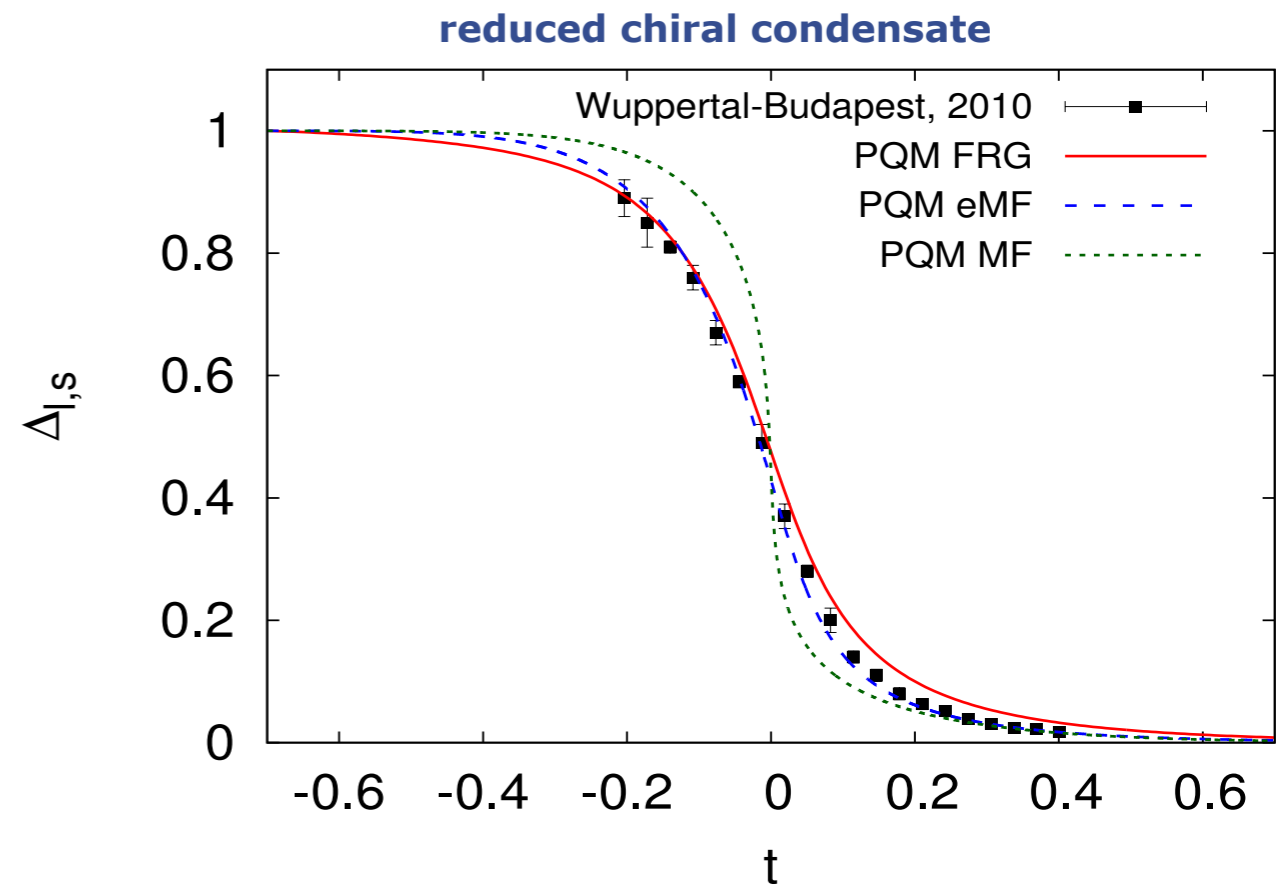


Thermodynamics

2+1 flavor QCD - enhanced PQM-model

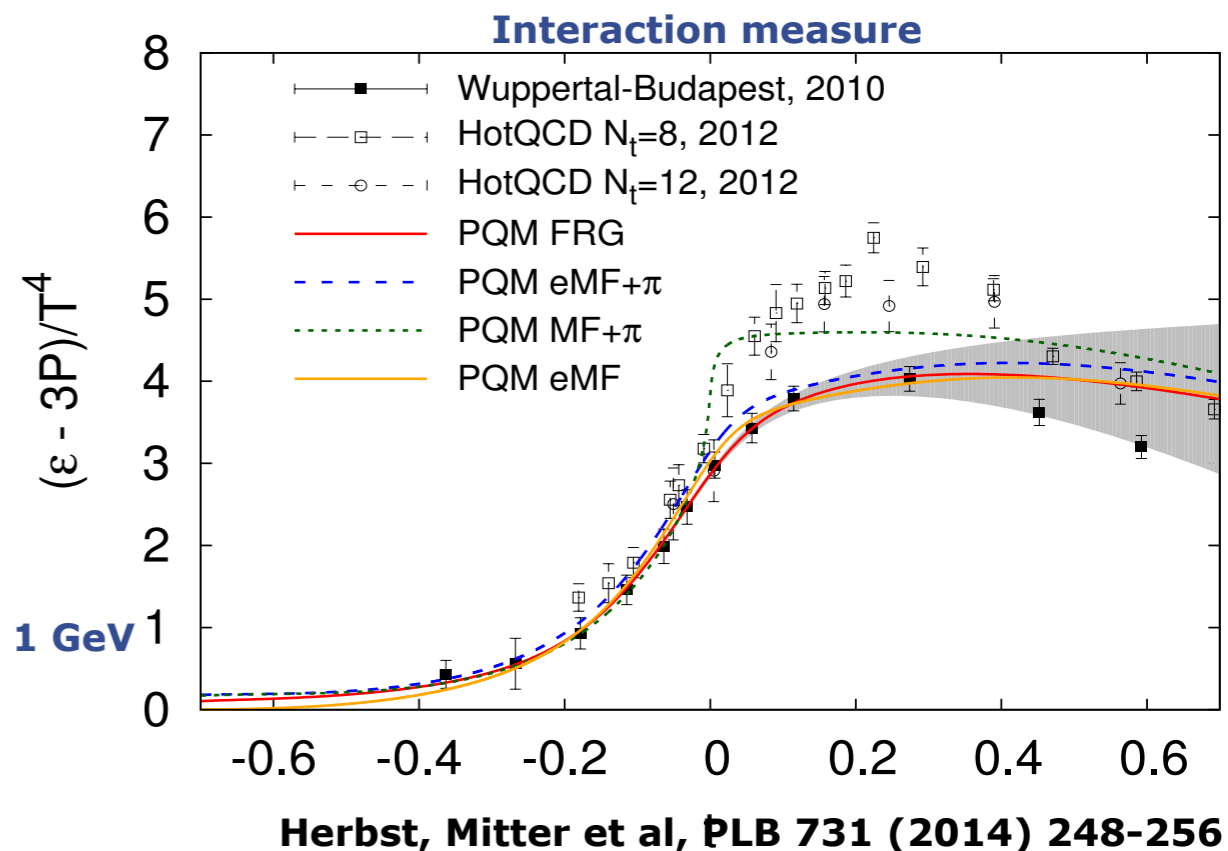


Fu, JMP, arXiv:1508.06504, accepted at PRD



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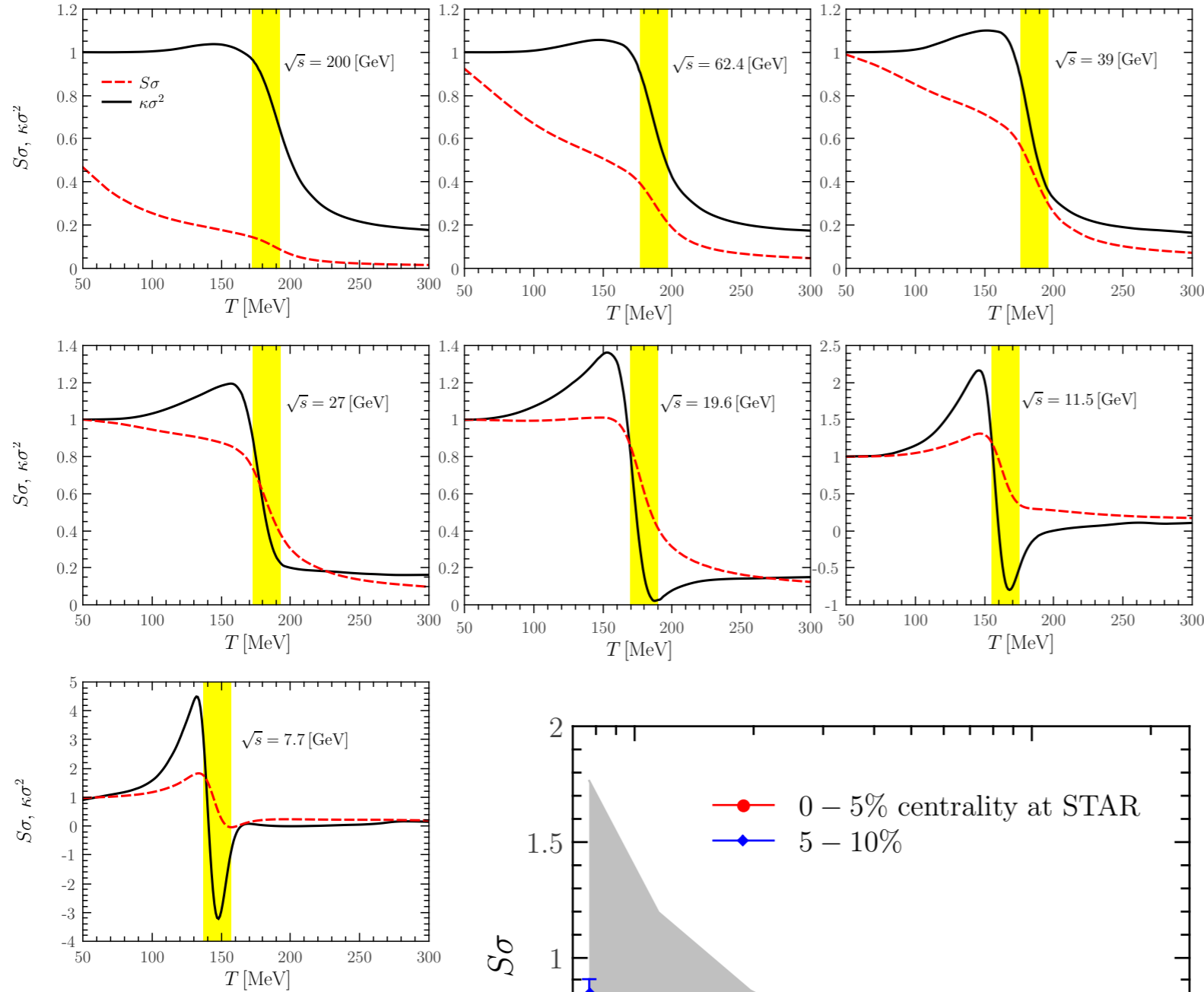
Shaded area:
systematic error estimate
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Herbst, Mitter et al, PLB 731 (2014) 248-256

Fluctuations

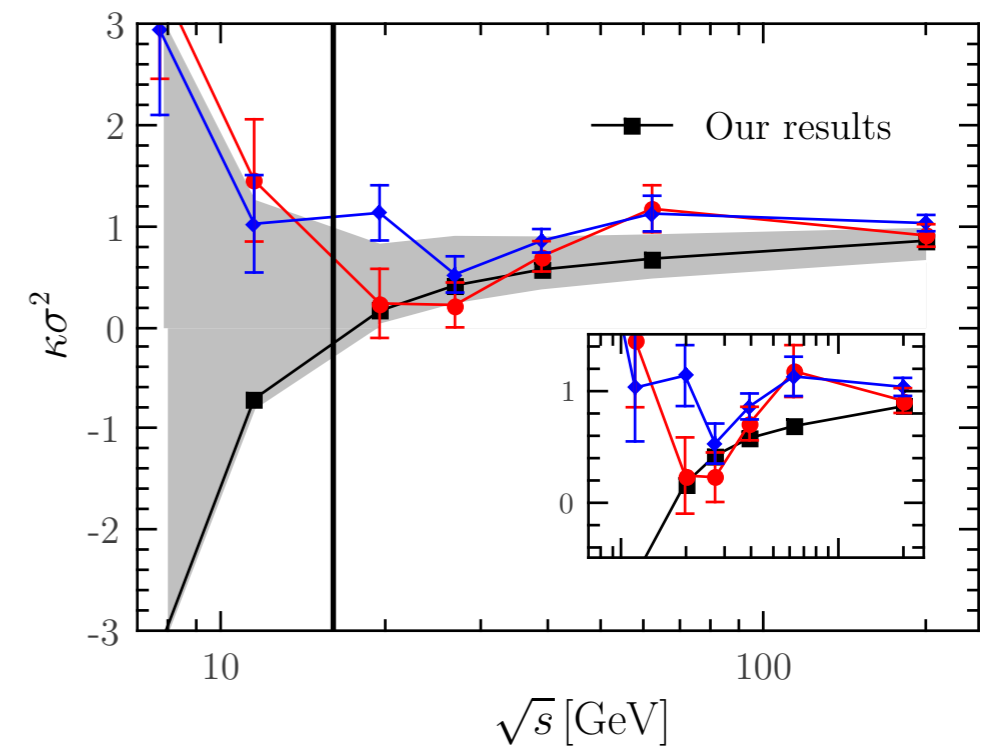
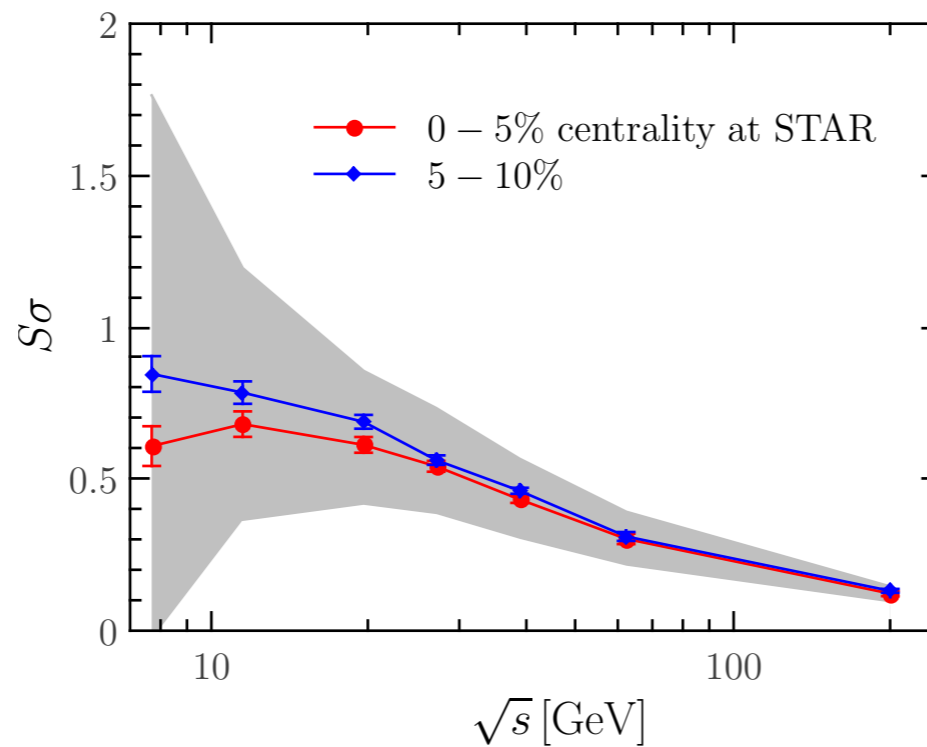
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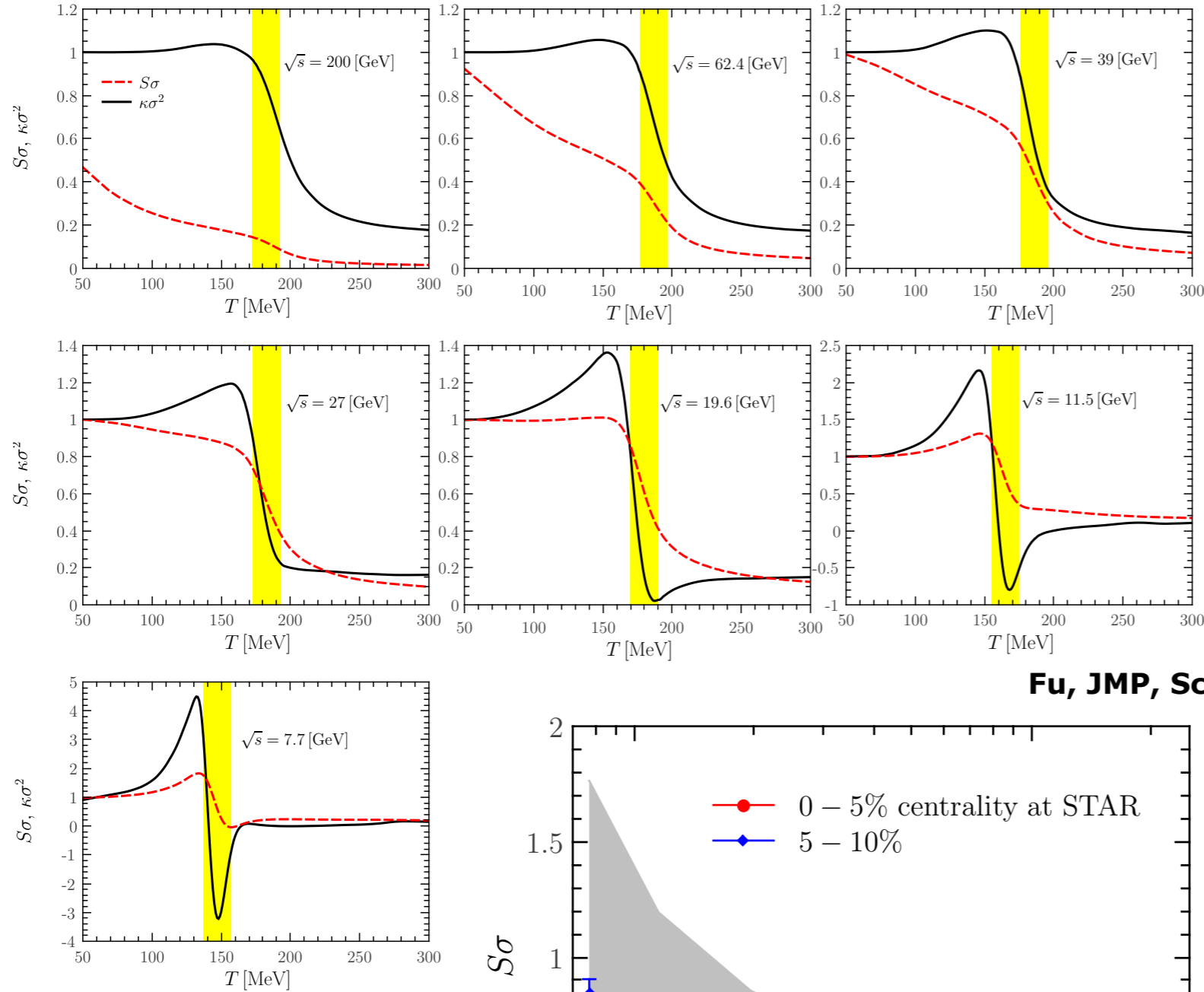
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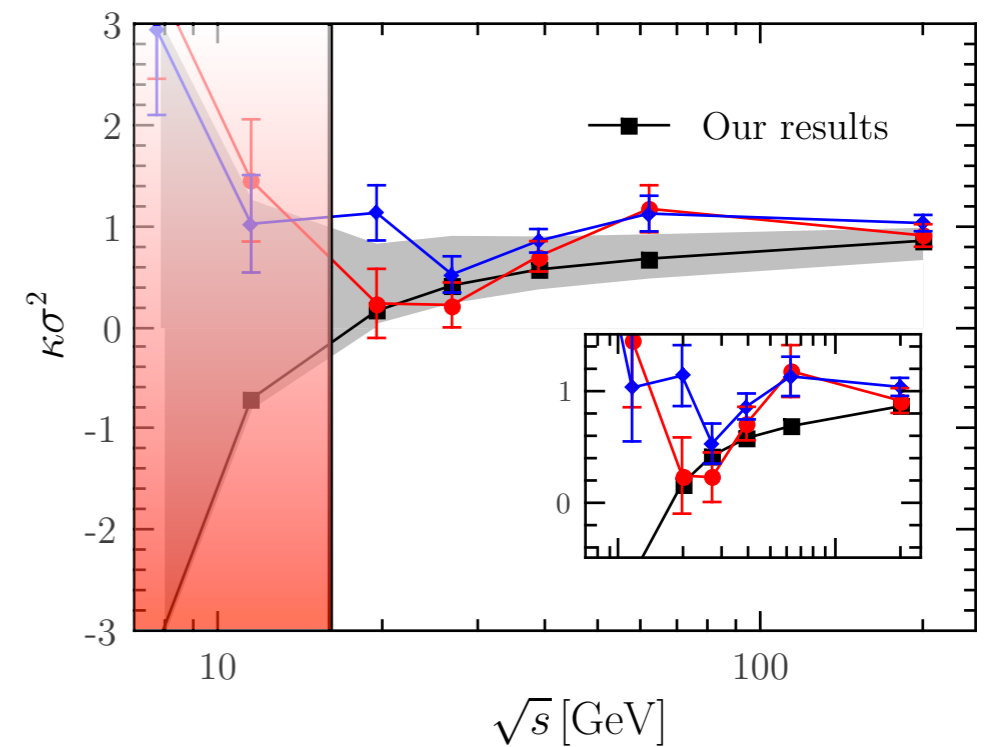
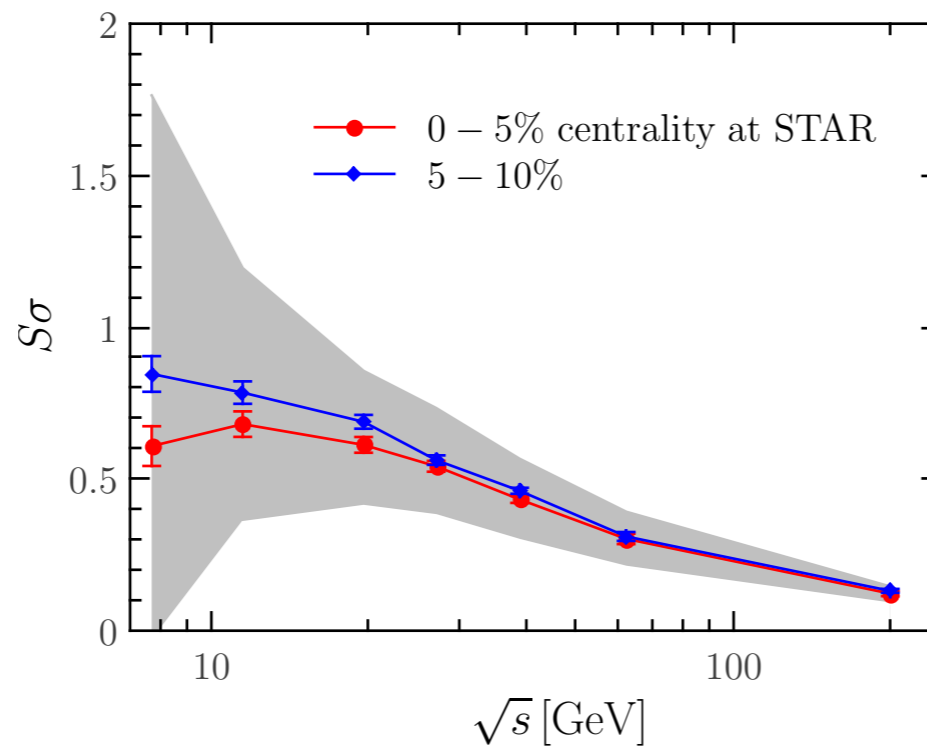


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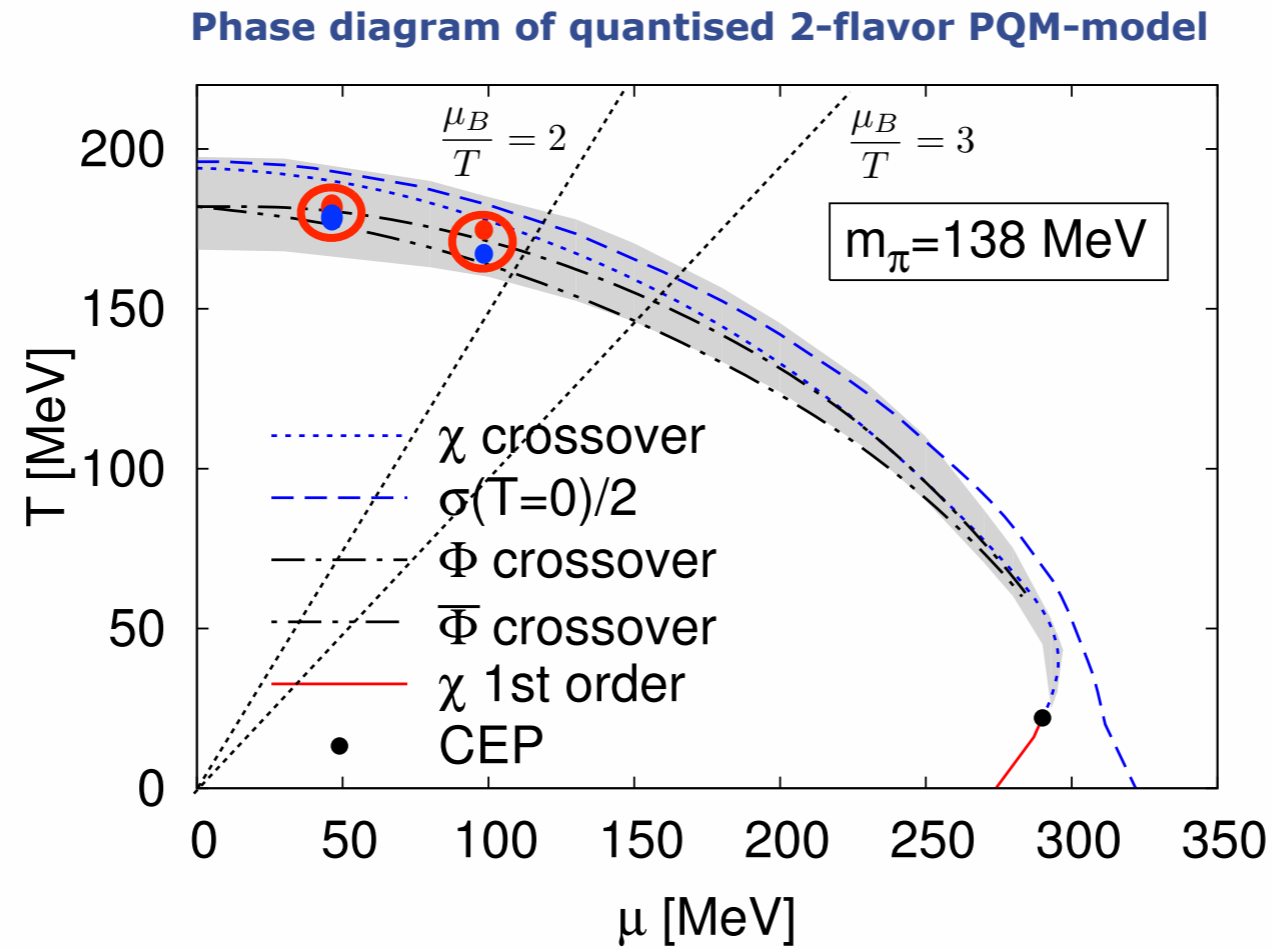
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Fu, JMP, Schaefer, Rennecke, work in progress



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Phase structure at finite density



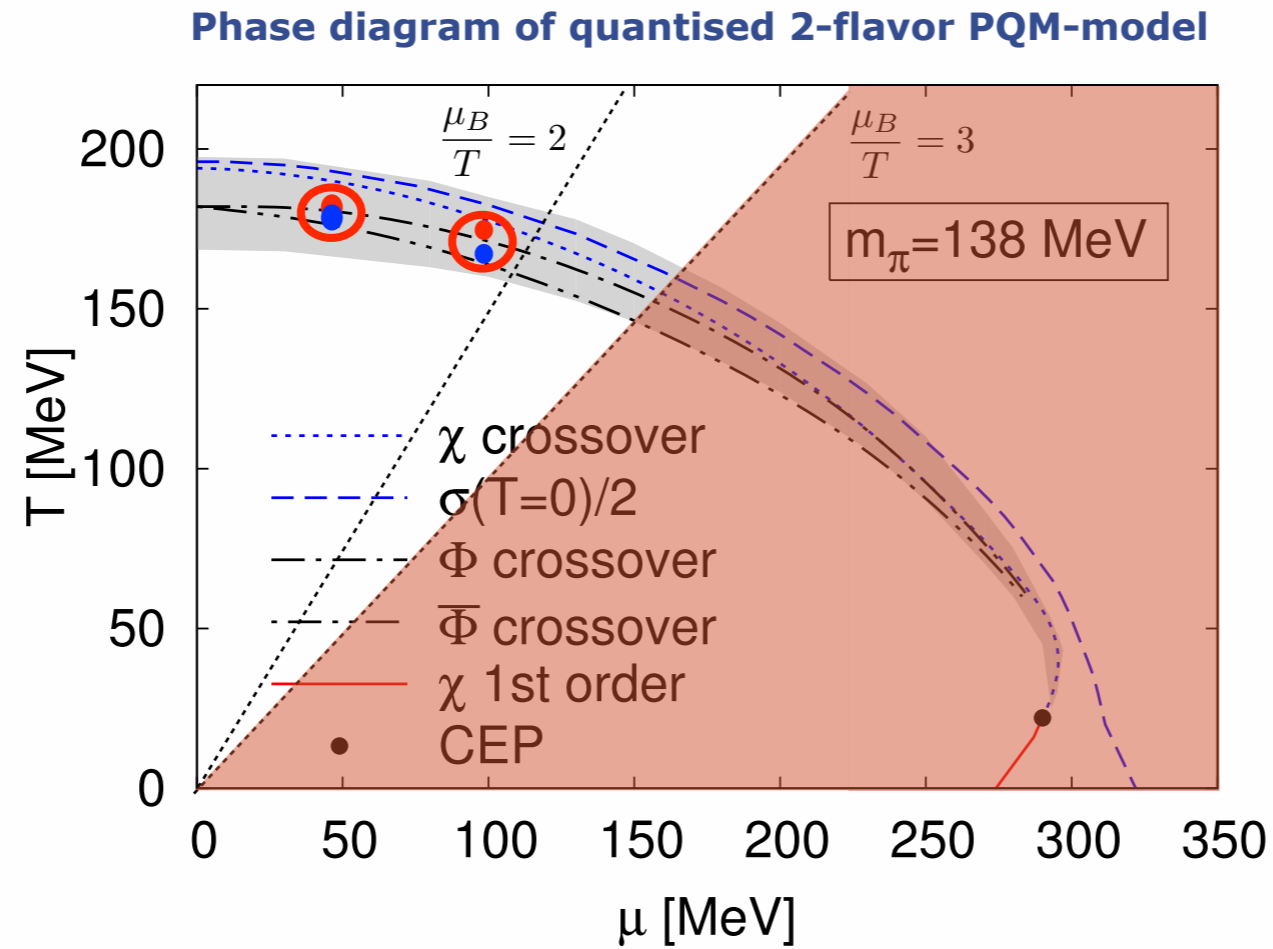
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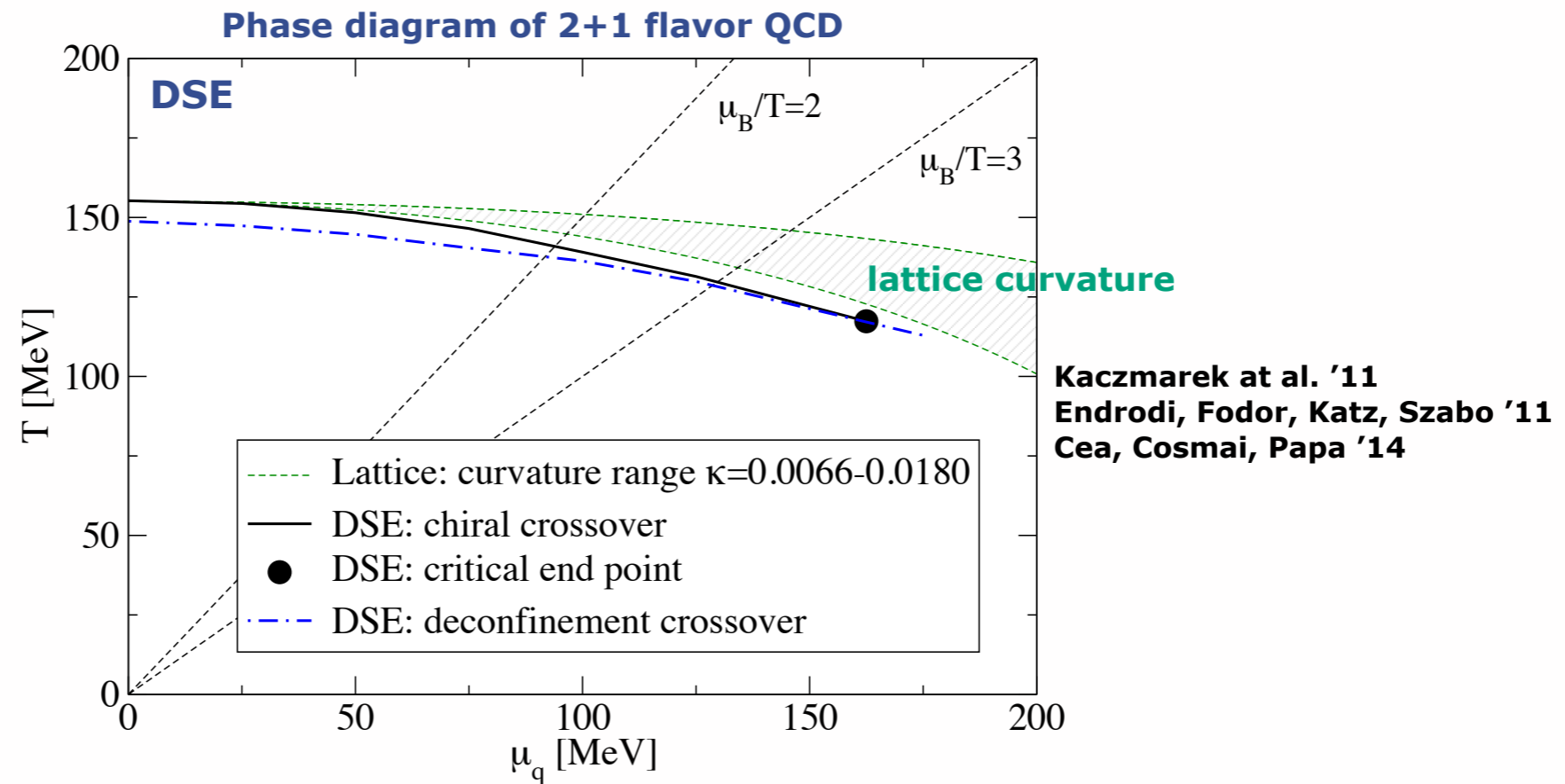
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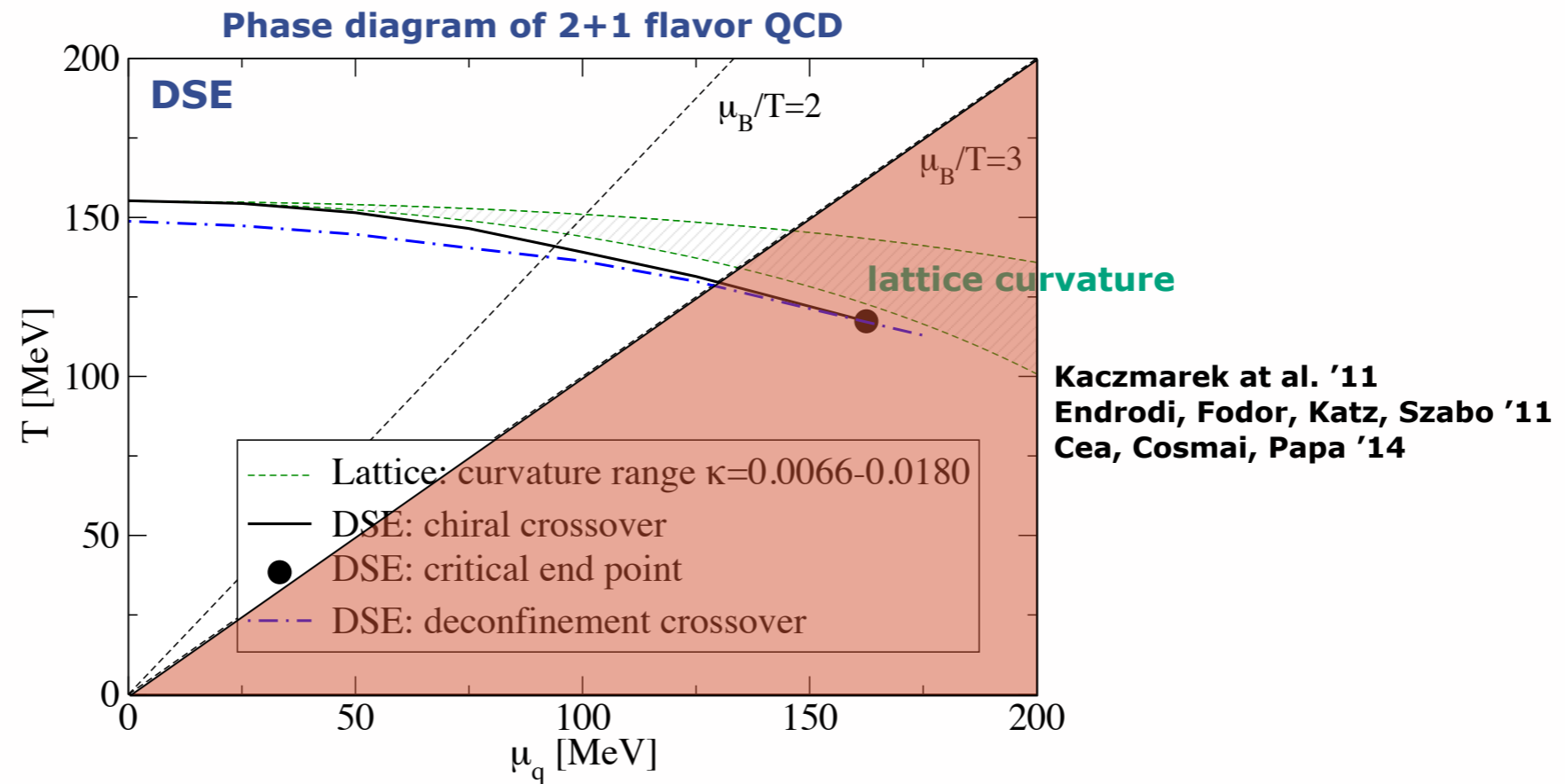
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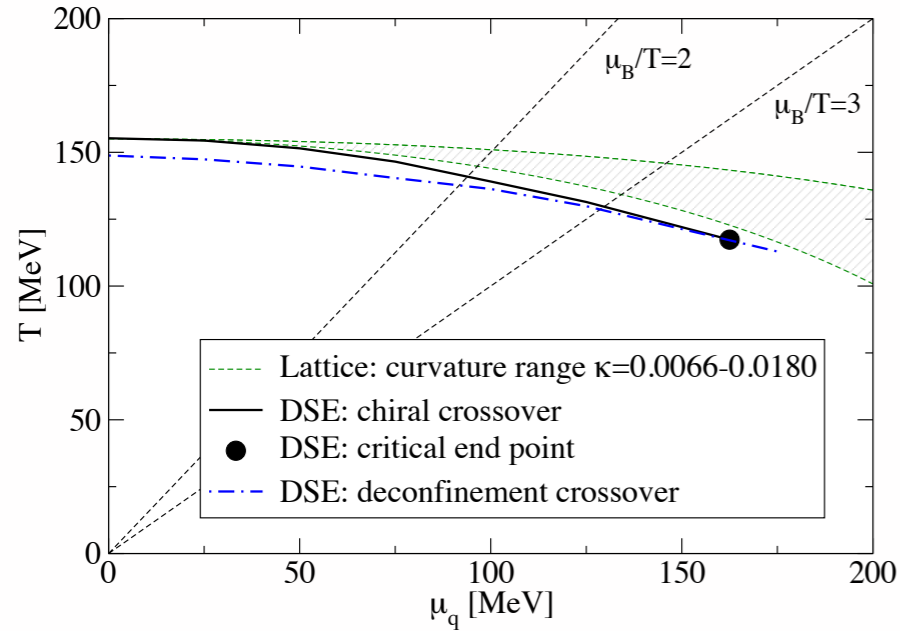
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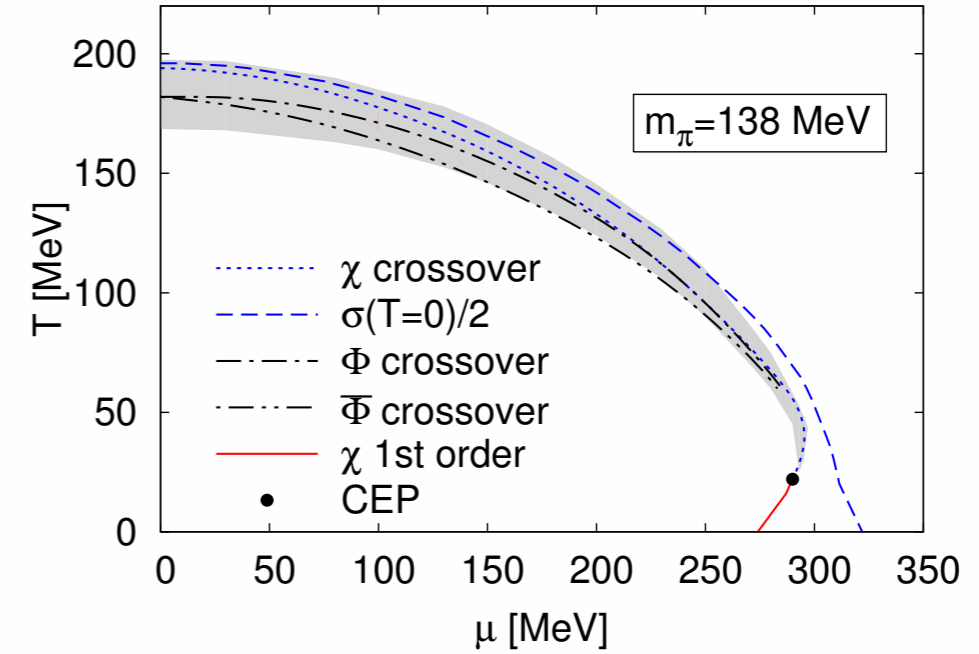
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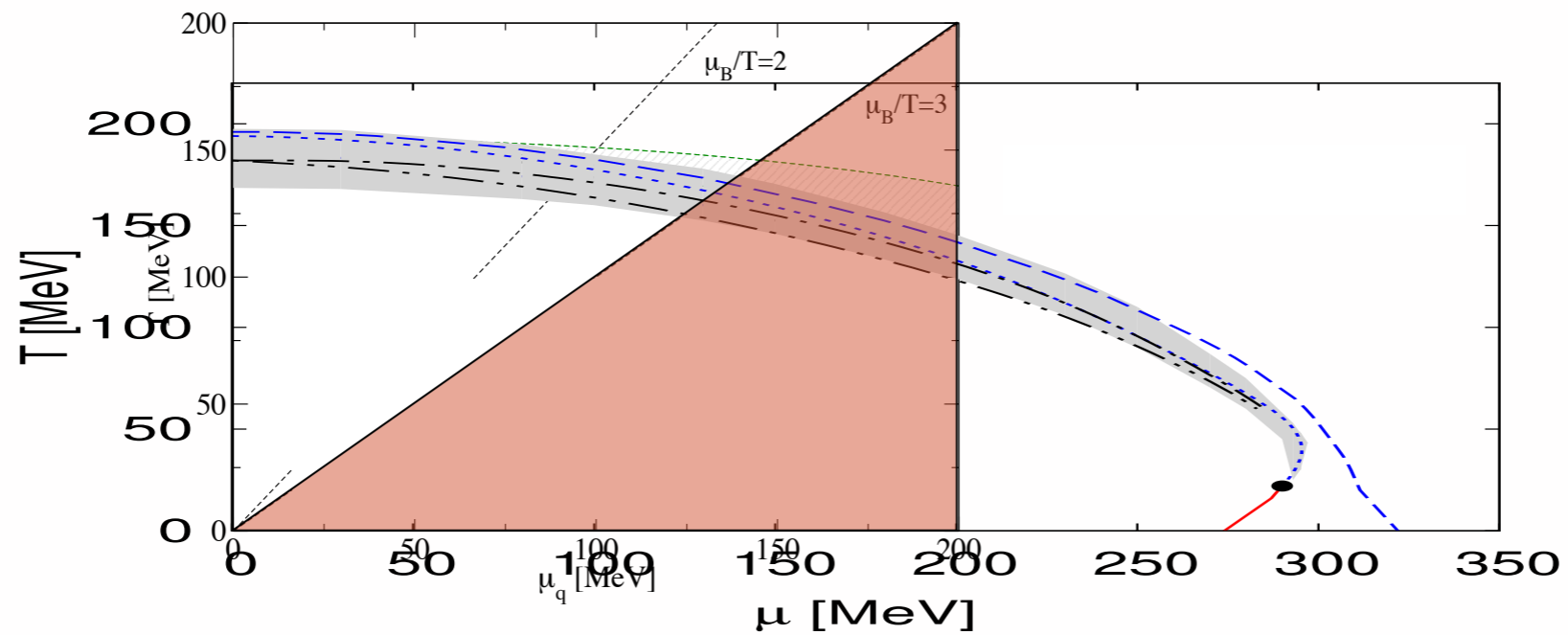
Phase diagram of 2+1 flavor QCD



Phase diagram of quantised 2-flavor PQM-model



Comparison with 2 flavor vs 2+1 flavor scale matching of T_c



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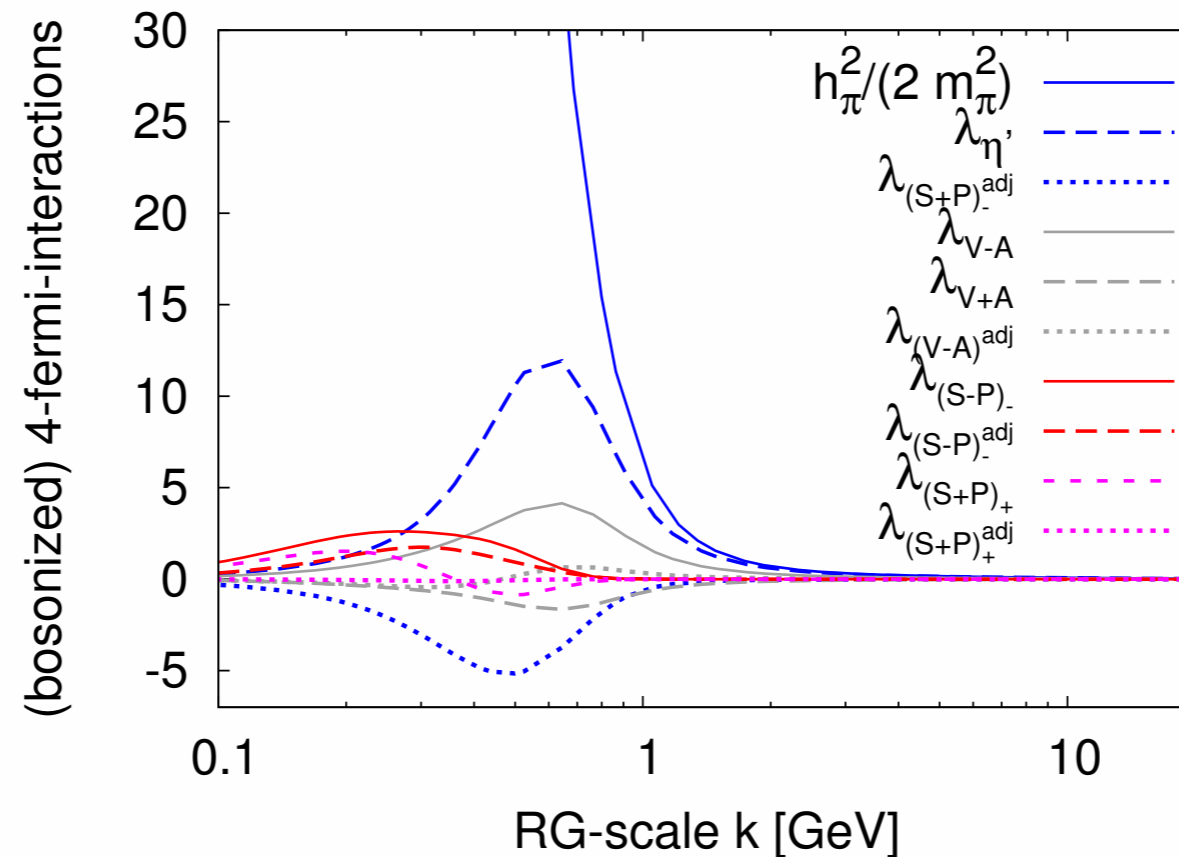
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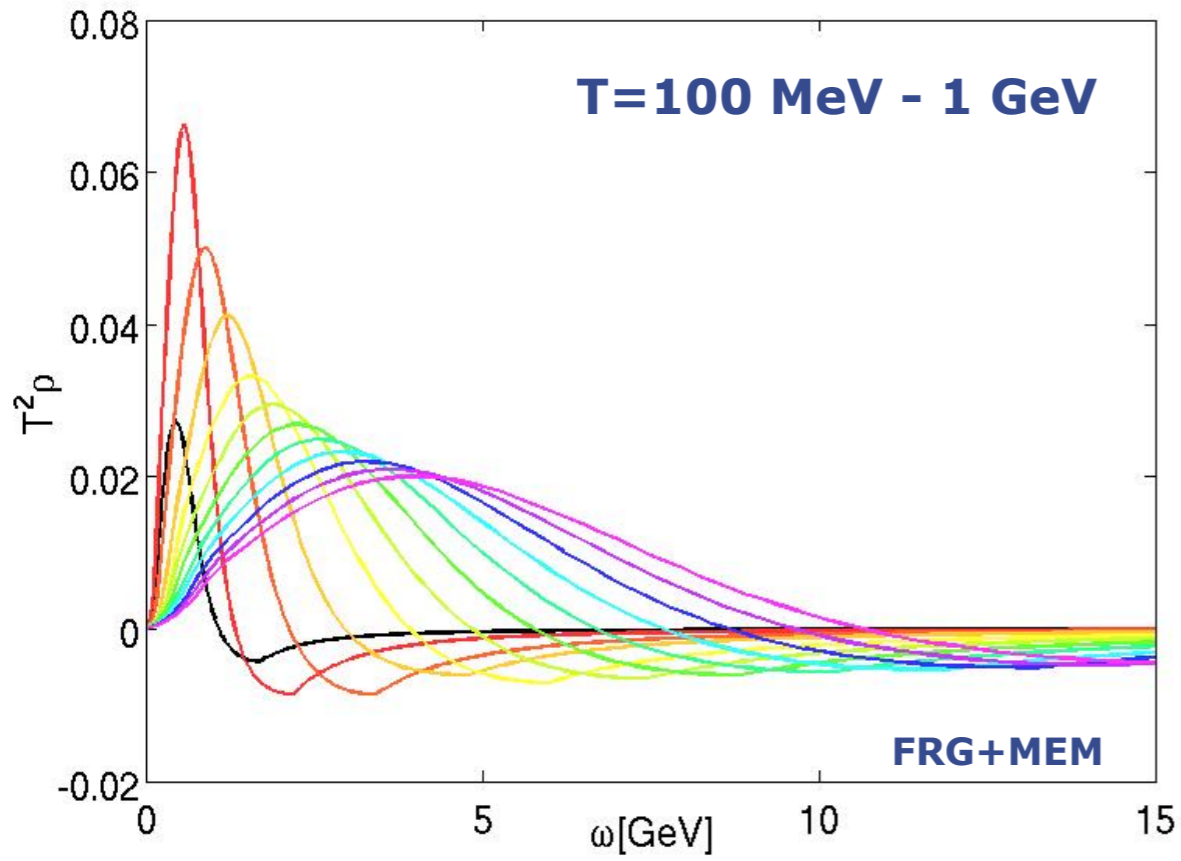


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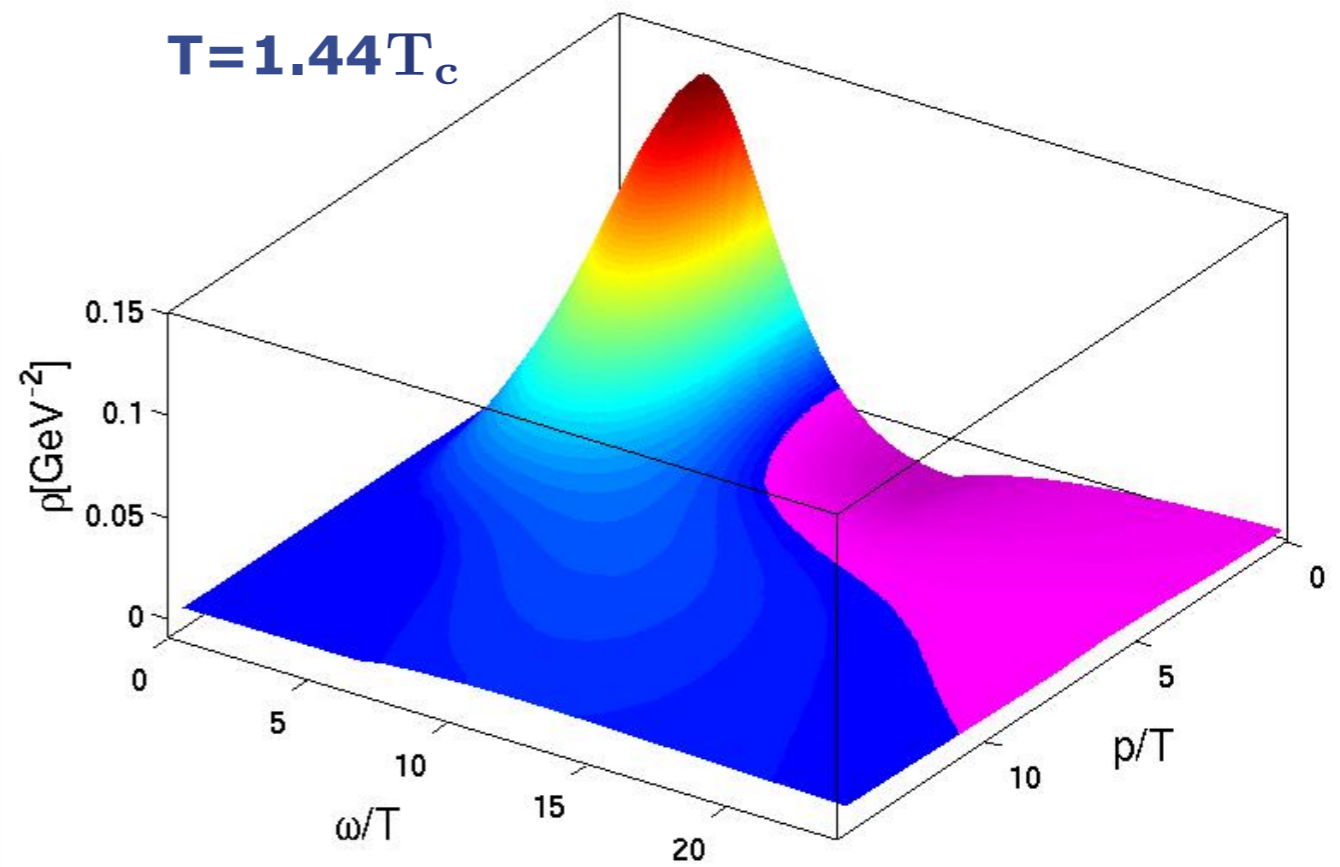
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Real time correlation functions & transport

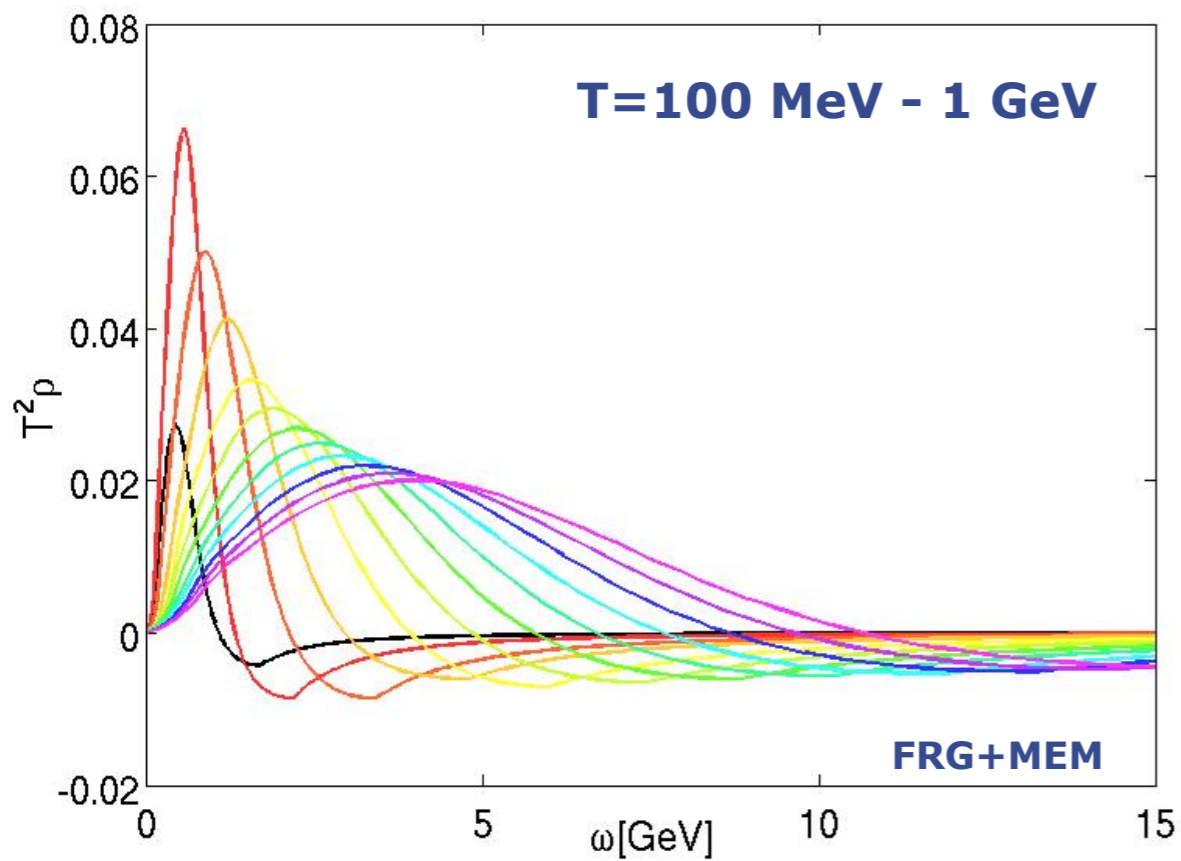
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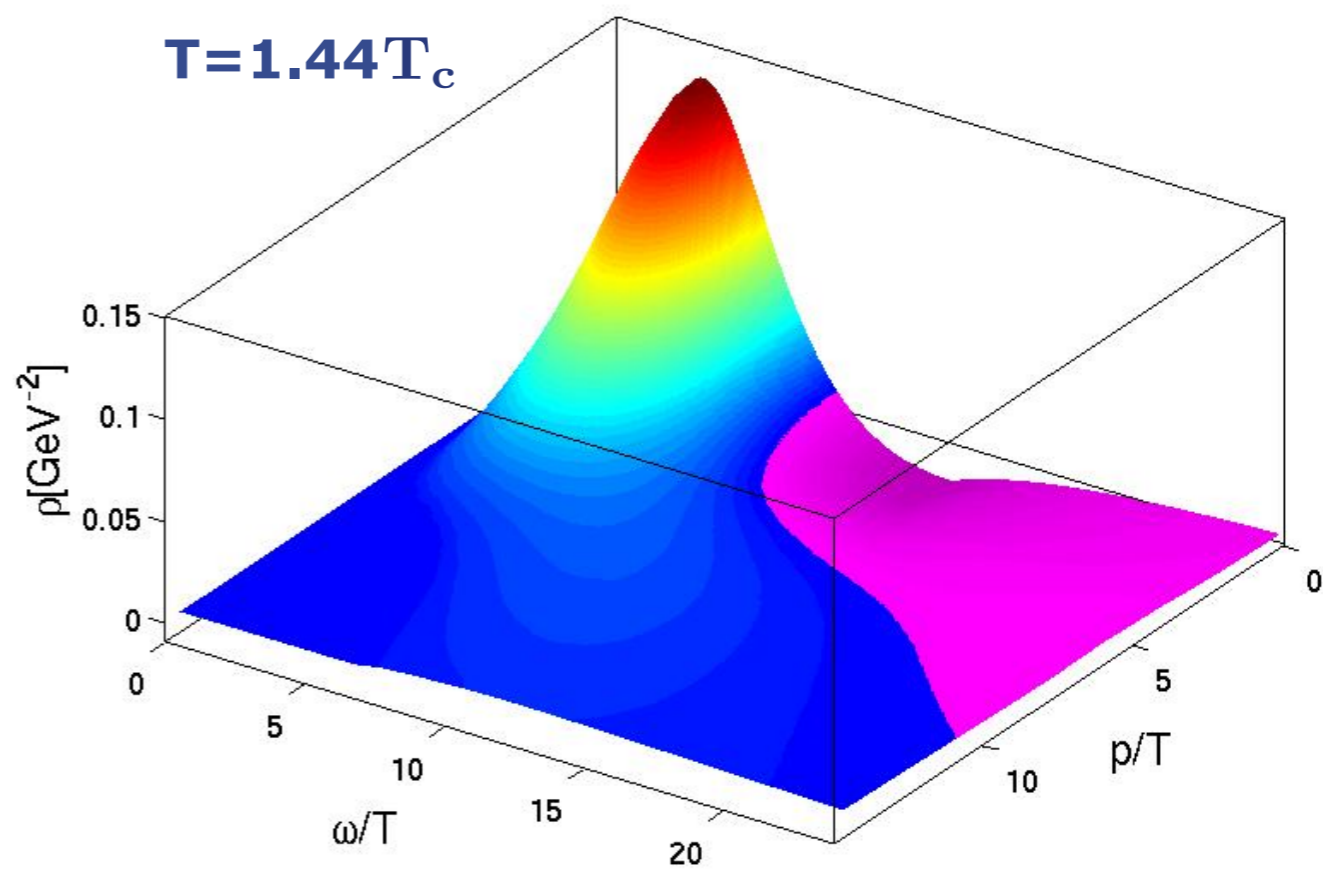
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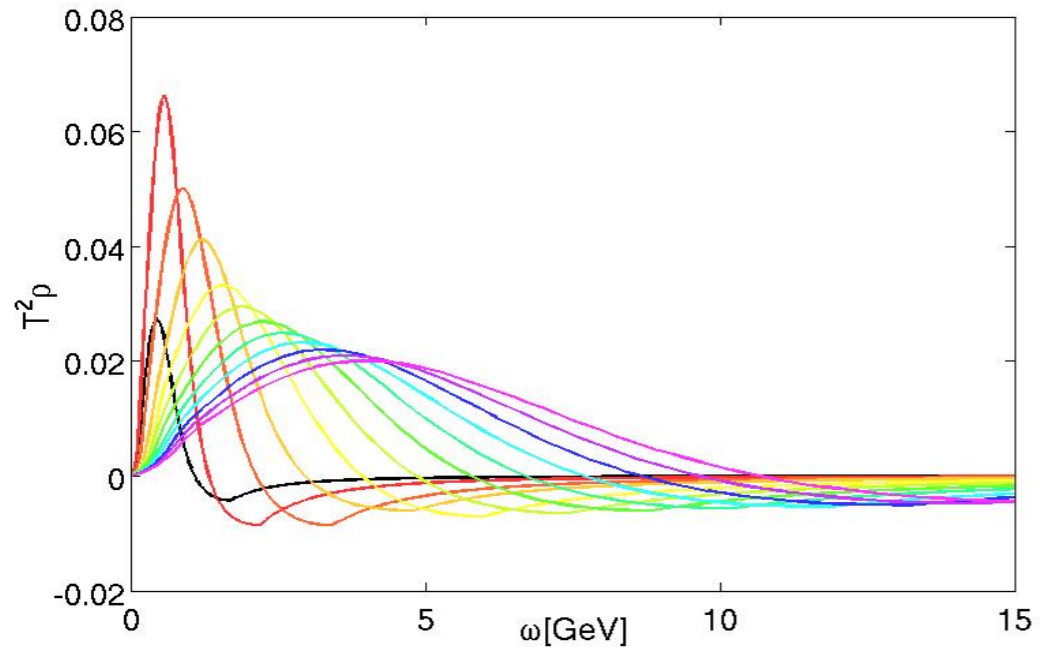
'Those are my methods (principles), and if you don't like them...well, I have others'
direct computation **Groucho Marx**



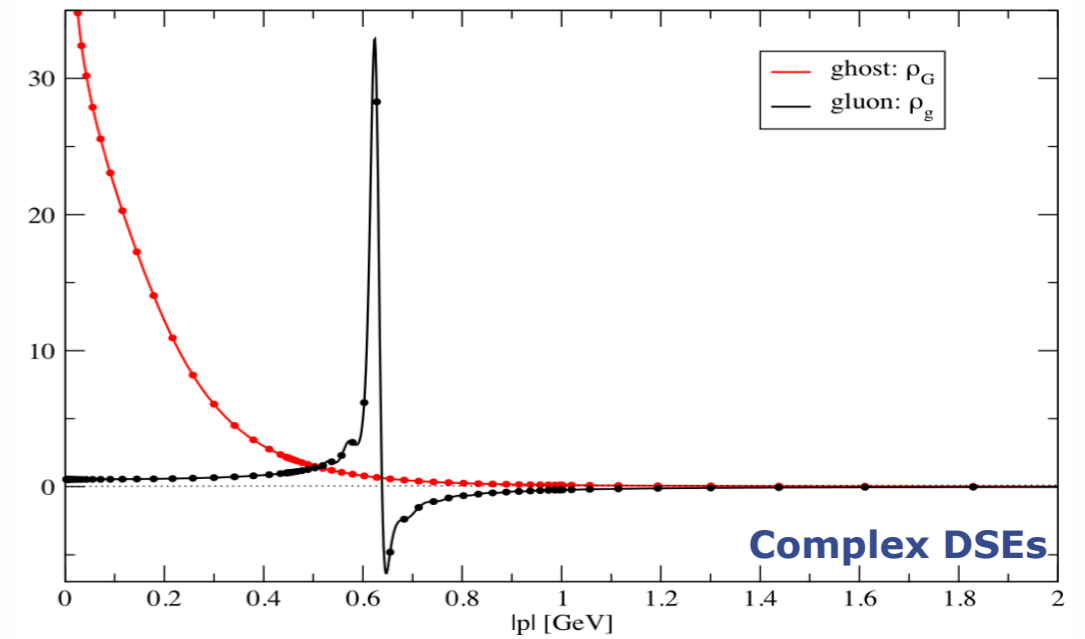
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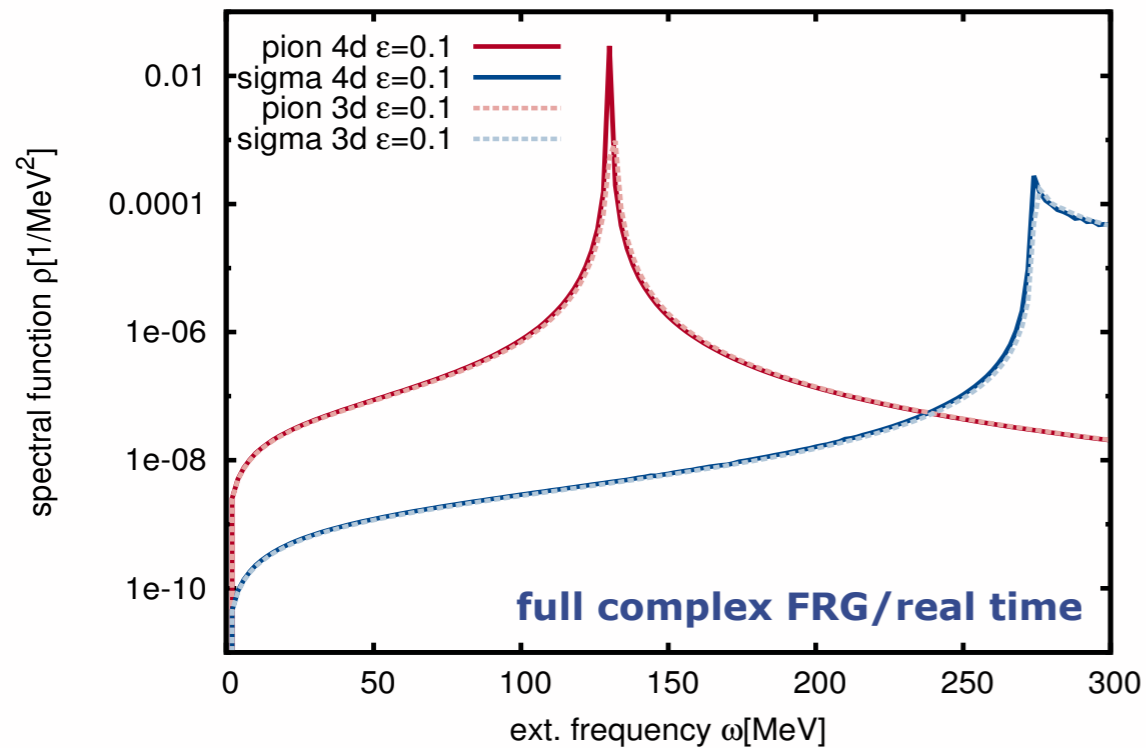


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pion and sigma spectral functions



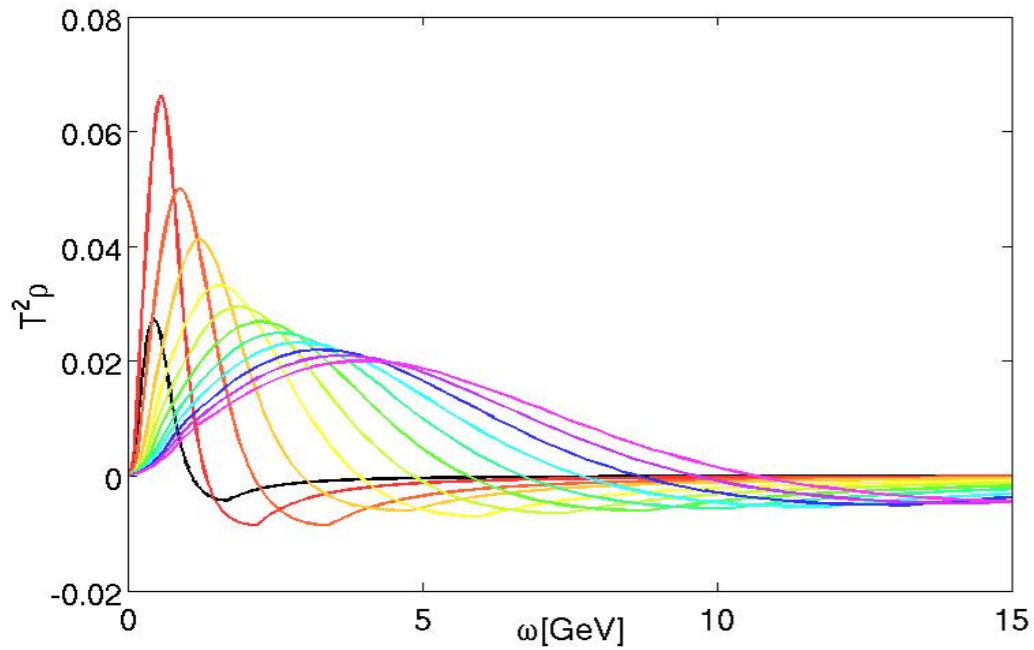
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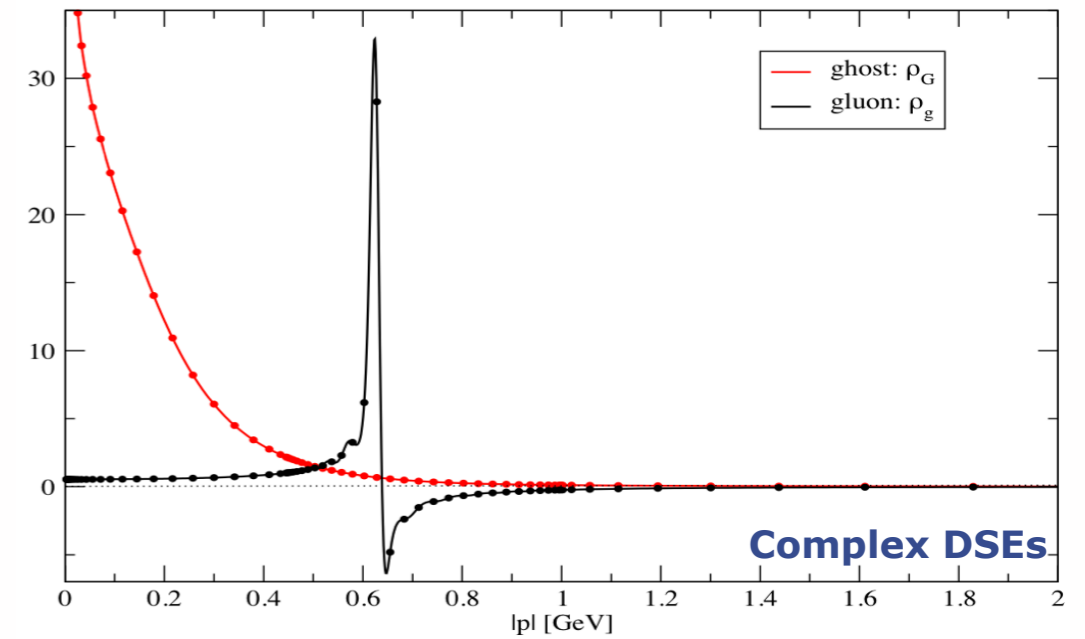
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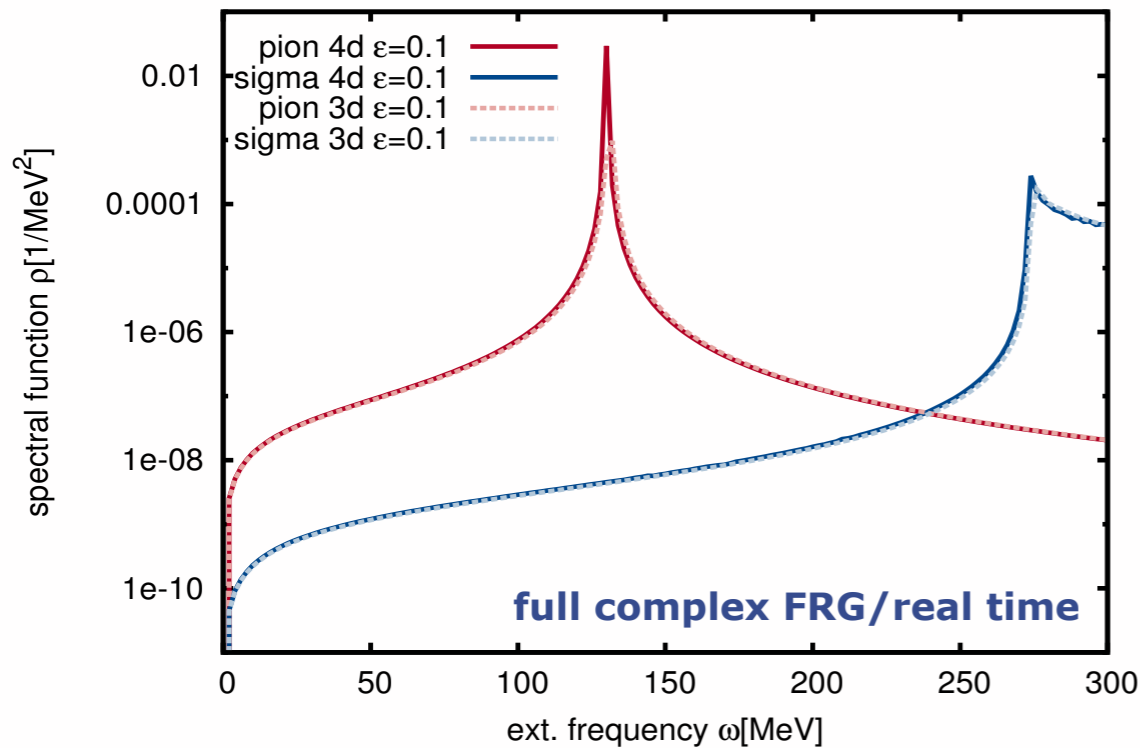


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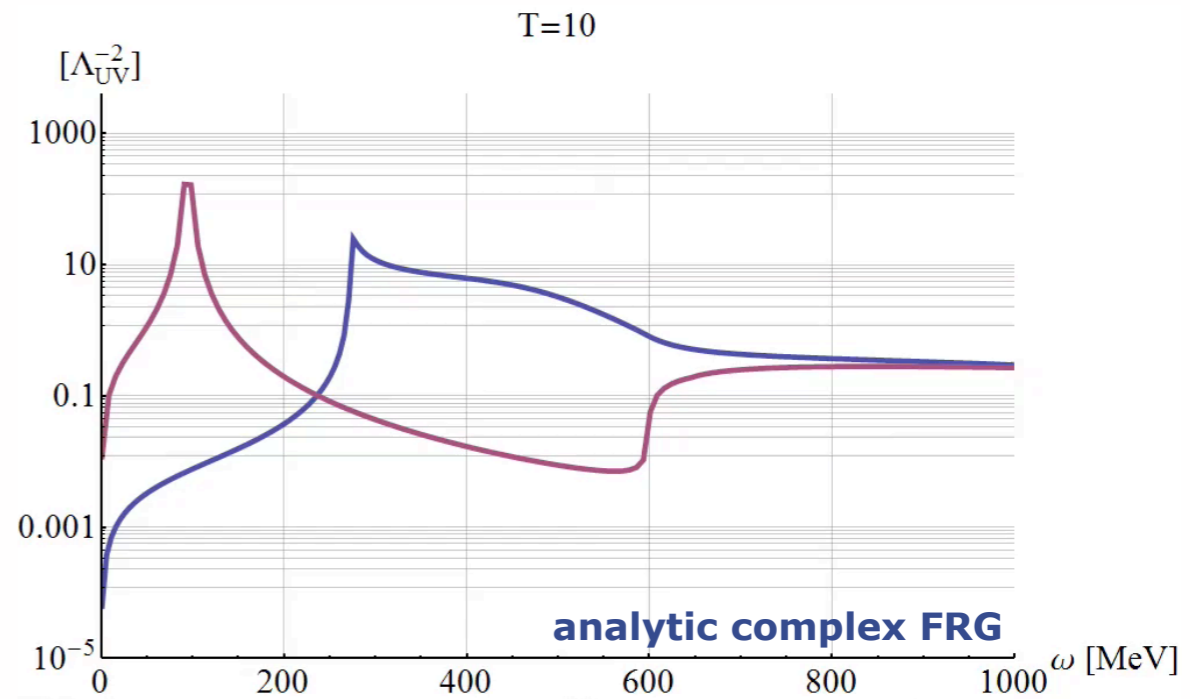


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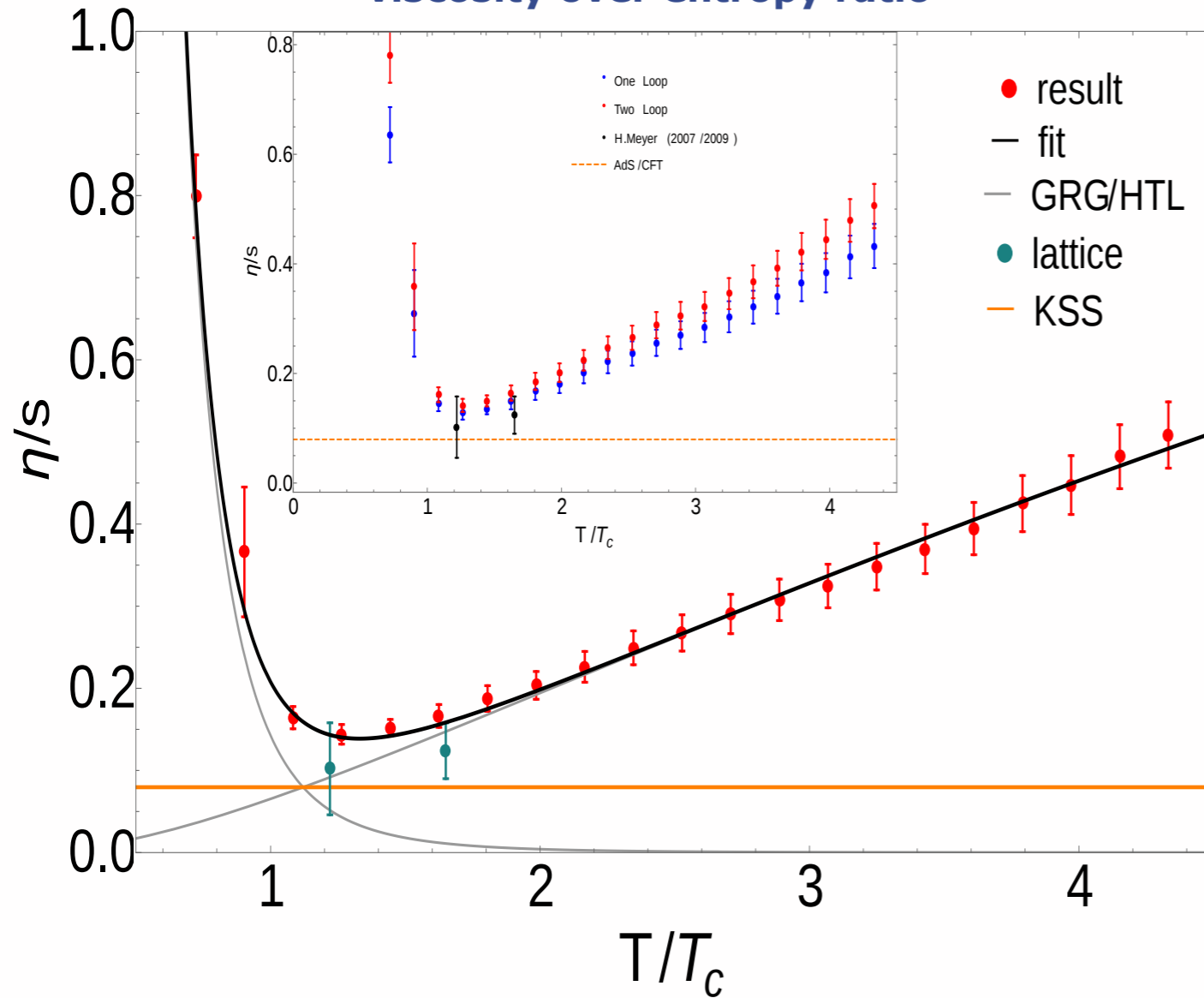
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transport coefficients

viscosity over entropy ratio

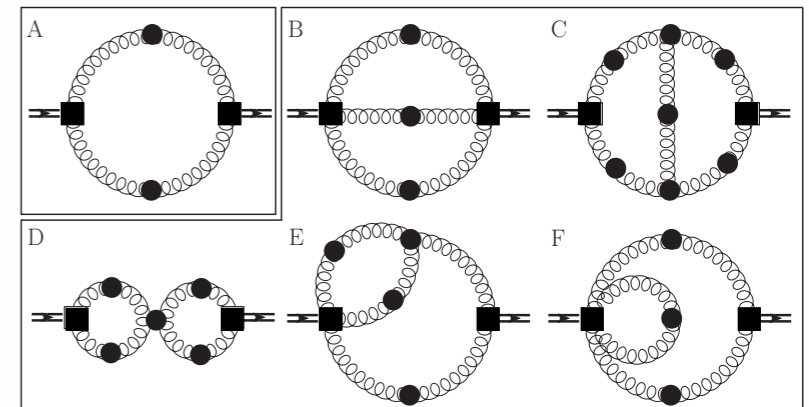


Kubo relation

$$\eta = \frac{1}{20} \left. \frac{d}{d\omega} \right|_{\omega=0} \rho_{\pi\pi}(\omega, 0)$$

'3-loop' exact functional relation for $\rho_{\pi\pi}$

1 & 2-loop terms



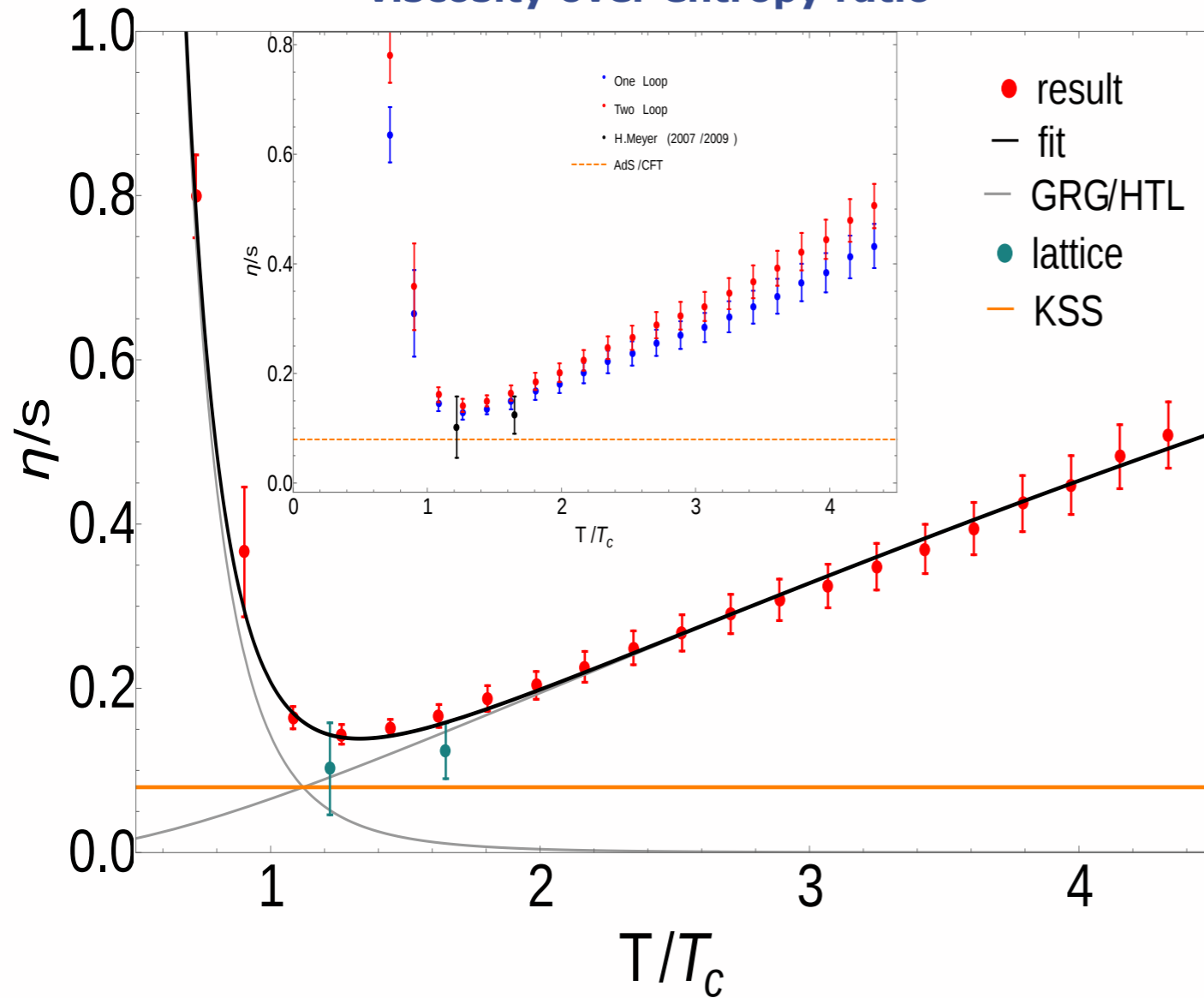
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Dynamics

QCD - estimate for viscosity over entropy ratio

viscosity over entropy ratio



$$\gamma_{\text{grg}} \approx 5$$

$$\gamma_{\text{qgp}} \approx 1.6$$

pure glue

$$a_{\text{qgp}} \approx 0.15$$

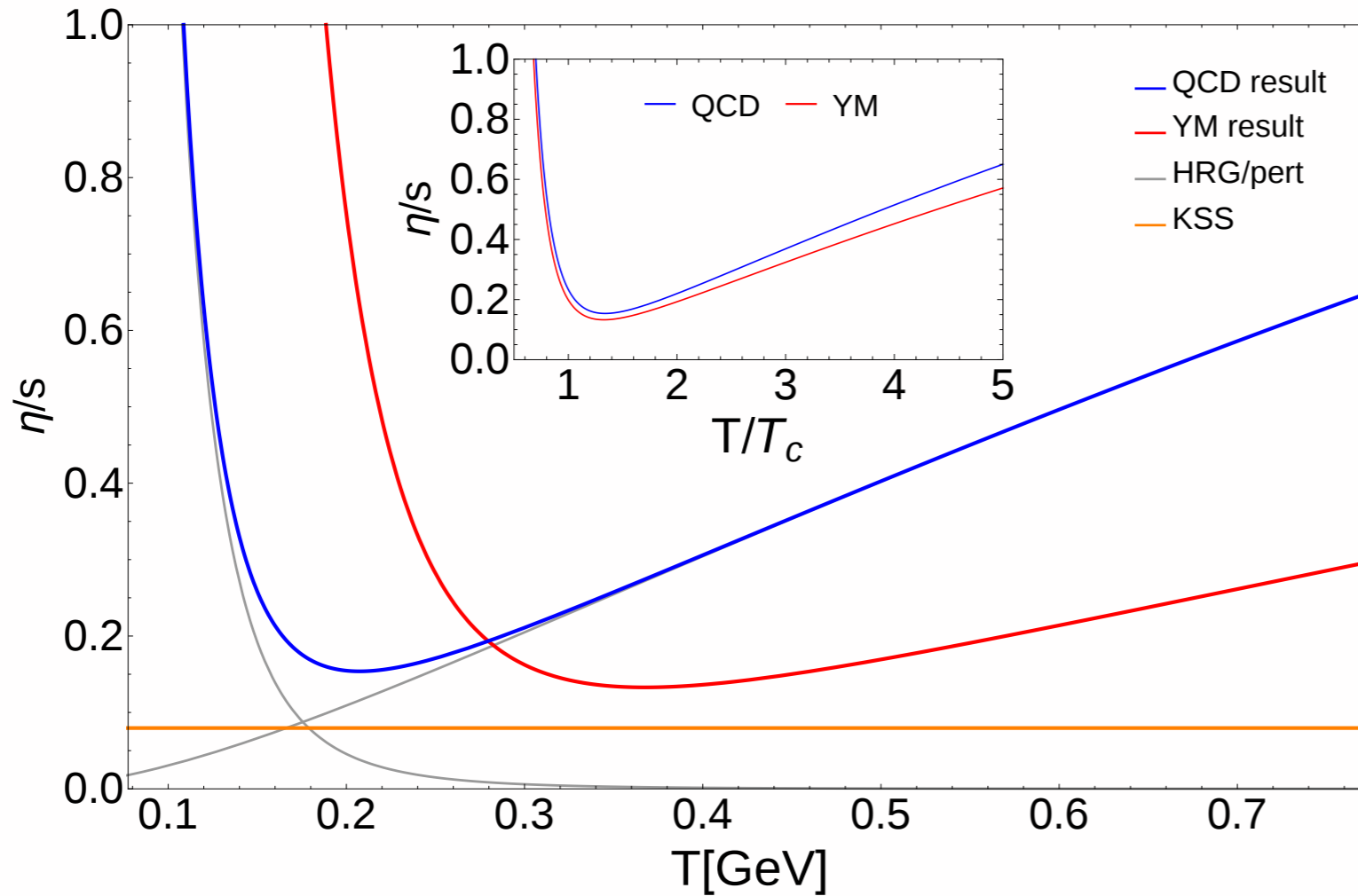
$$a_{\text{hrg}} \approx 0.14$$

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Dynamics

QCD - estimate for viscosity over entropy ratio



$$a_{\text{qgp}} \approx 0.2$$

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$$c \approx 0.79$$

QCD

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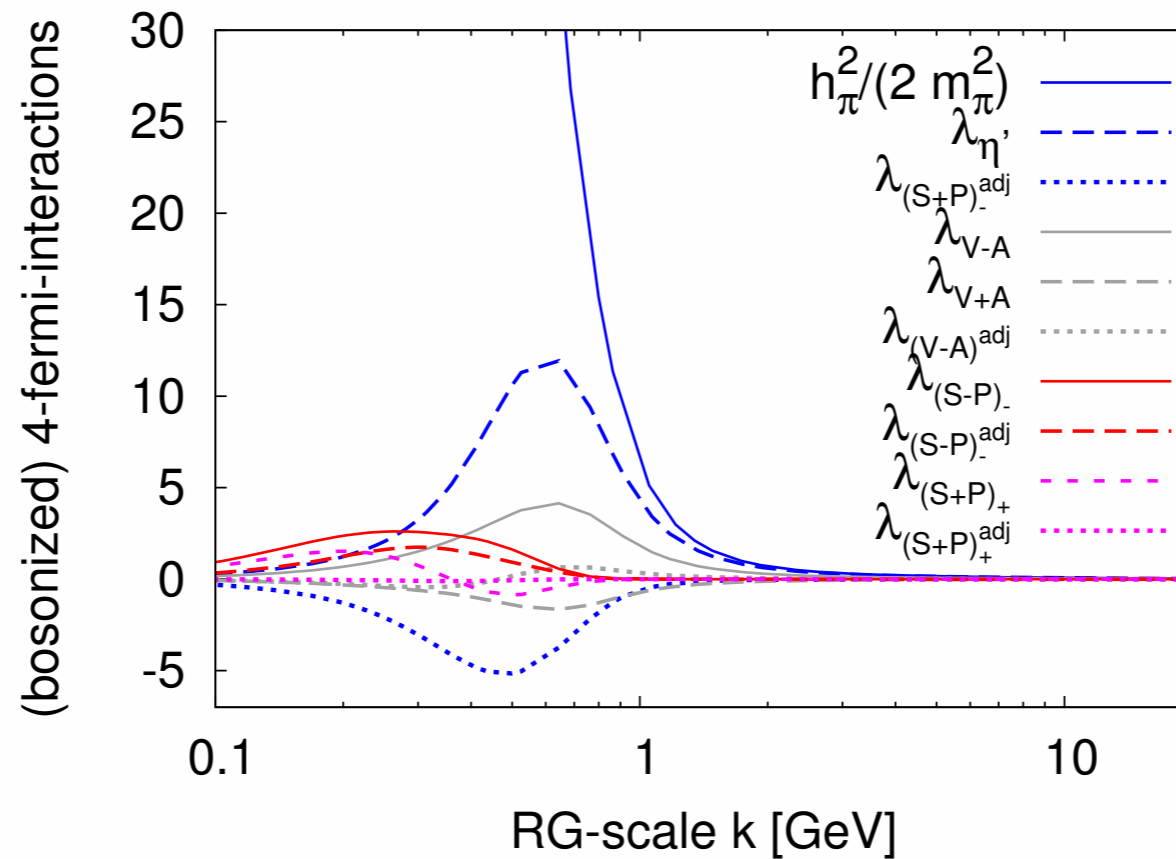
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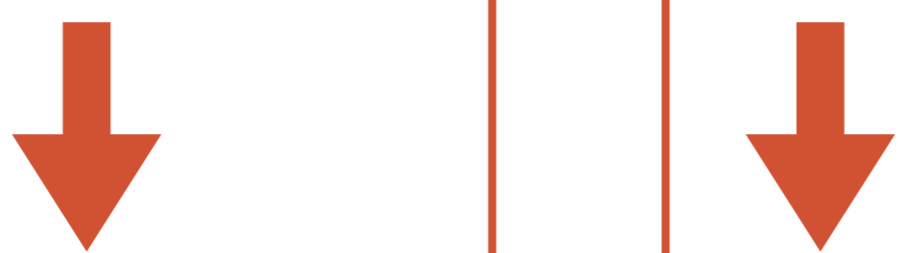
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pion decay constant f_π via normalisation of $\Gamma_{\bar{q}\pi q}^{(3)}$

aka BSE wave function


recent mini-review on DSE-BSE
Sanchis-Alepuz, Williams, arXiv:1503.05896

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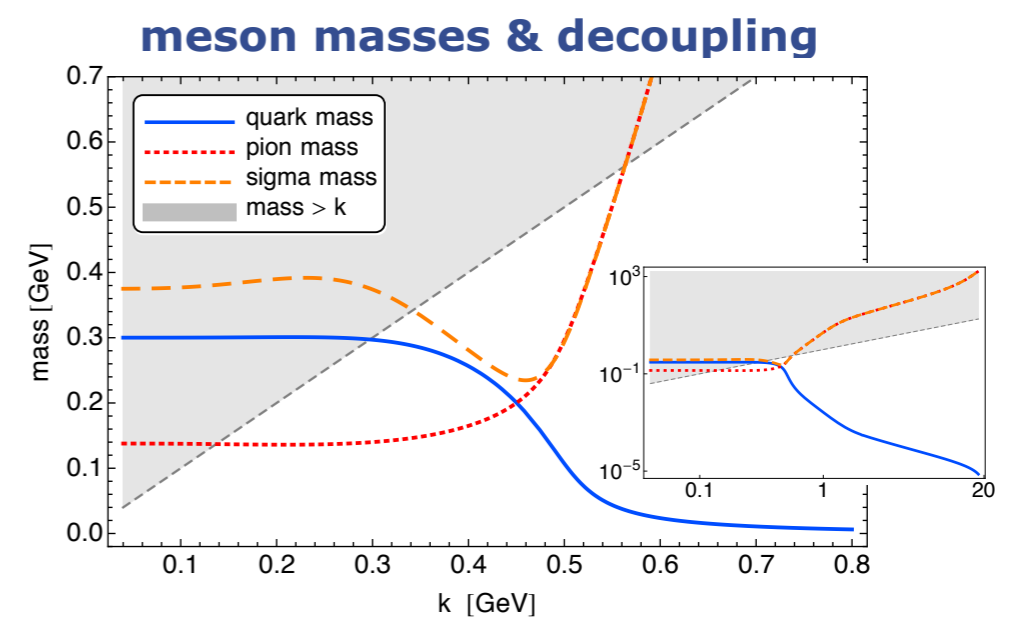
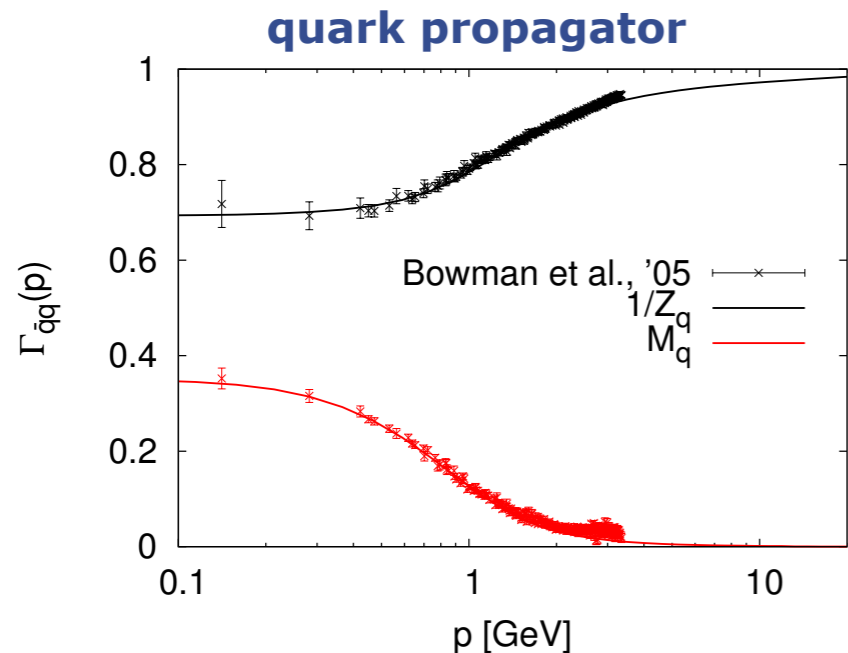
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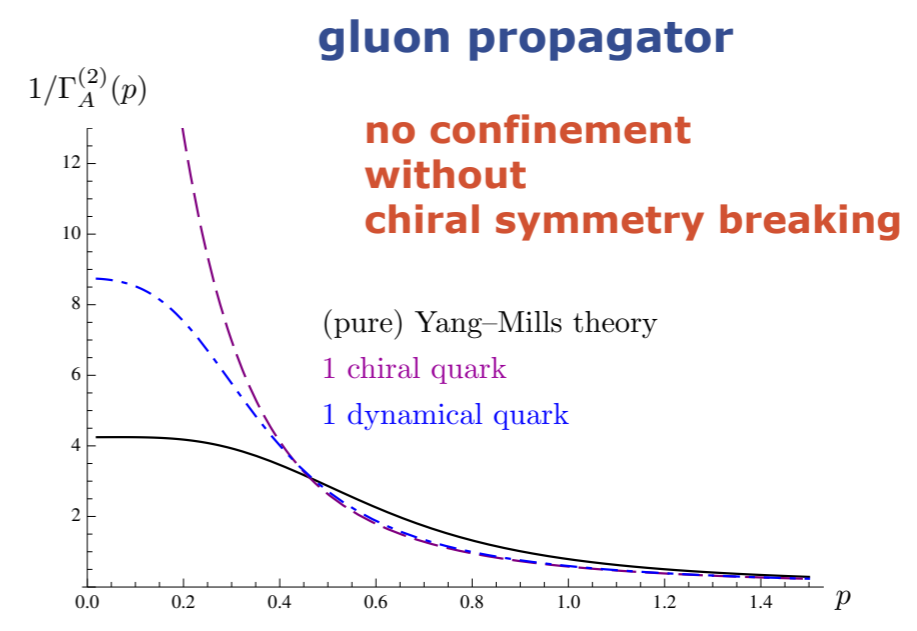
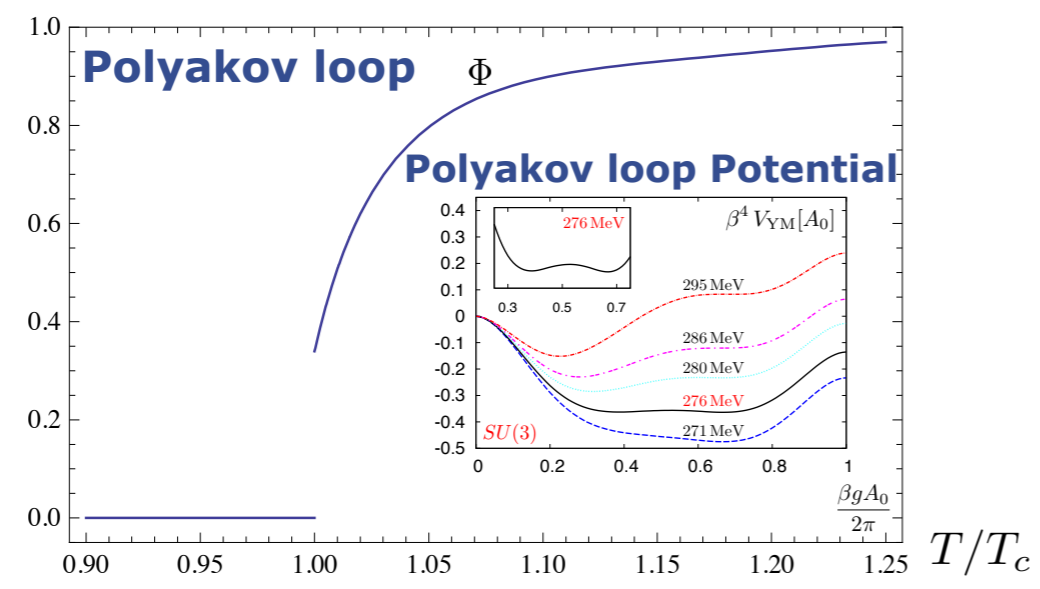
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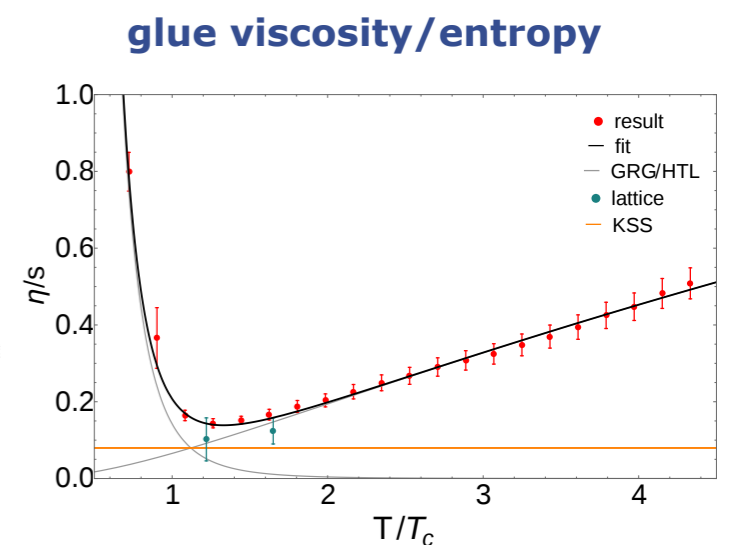
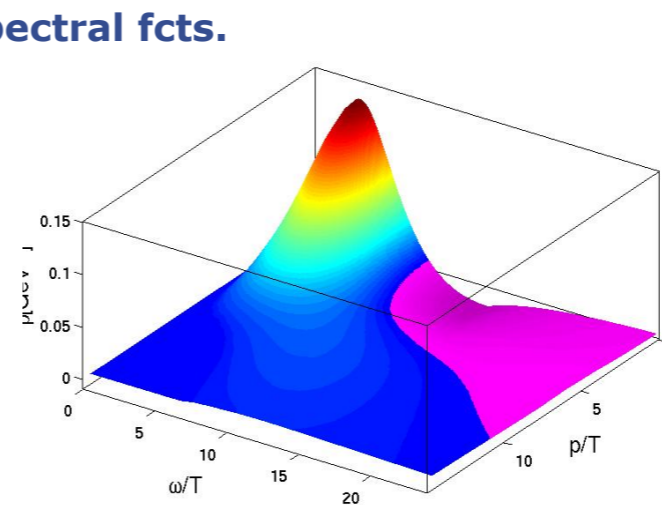
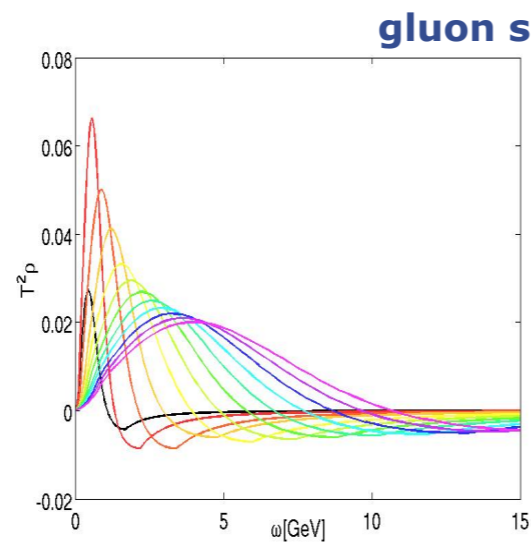
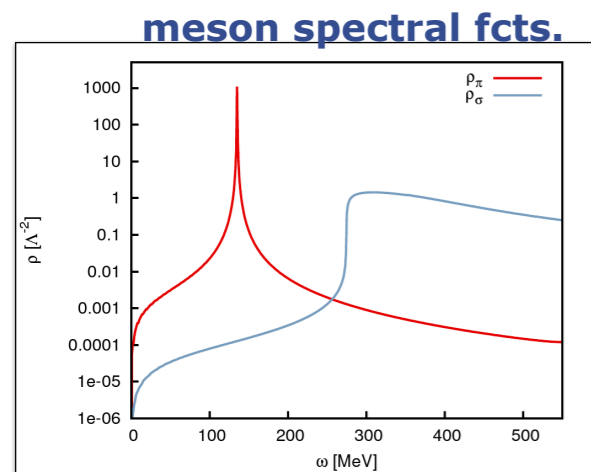
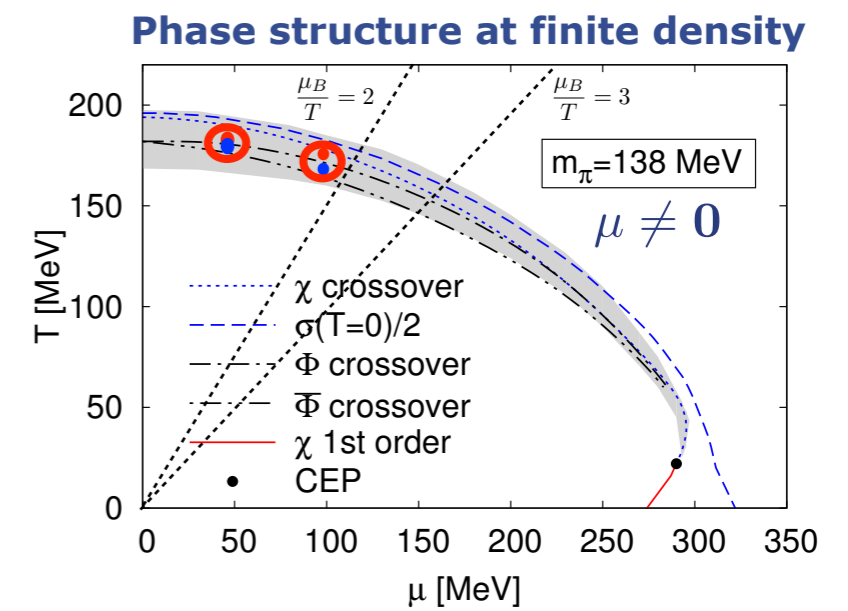
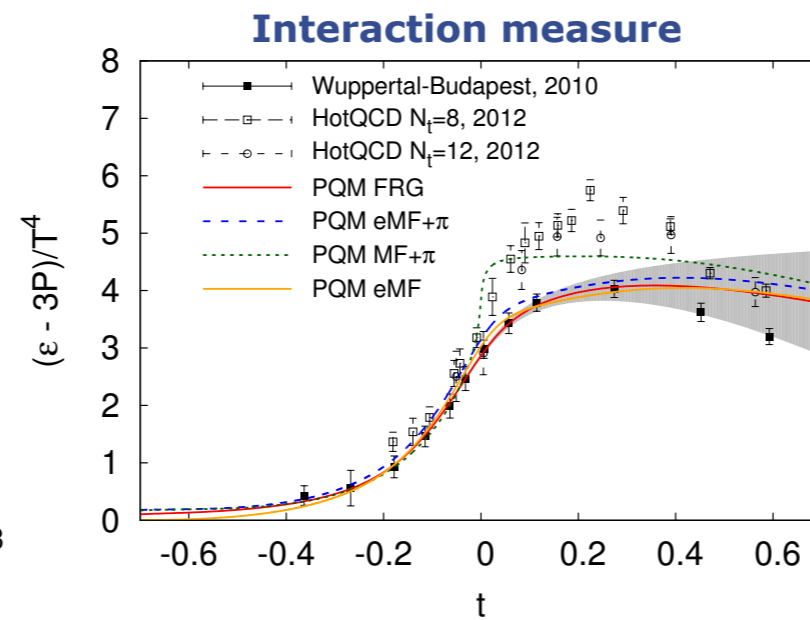
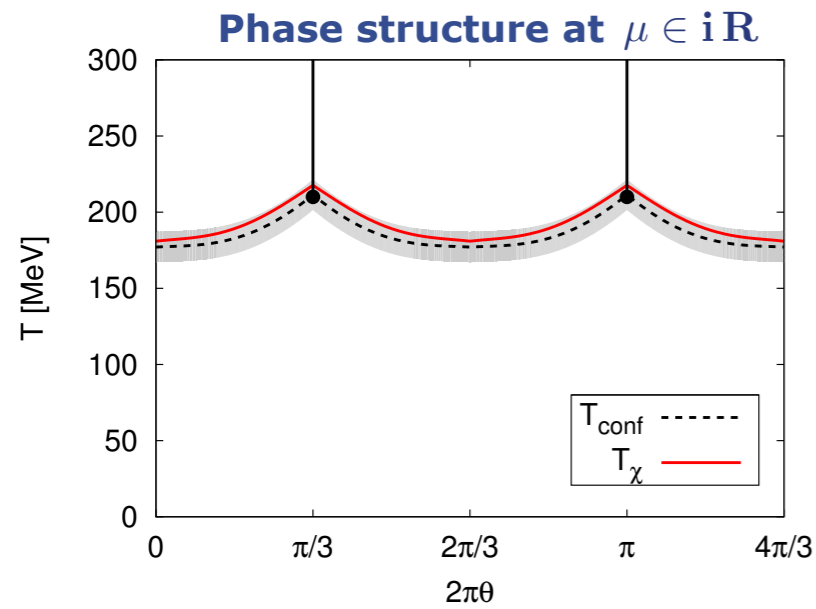


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