

# QCD at finite density with Dyson-Schwinger equations

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## Quark Gluon Plasma meets Cold Atoms Episode III

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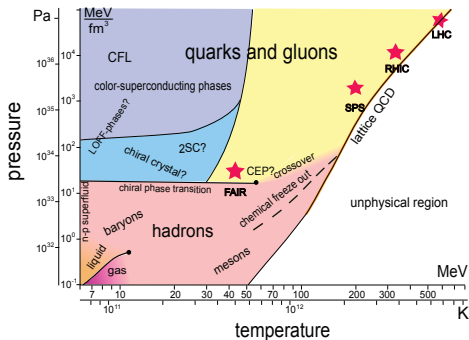
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# Motivation



K. Heckmann (2011)

What happens at high densities?

- ▶ color superconducting phases?  
→ weak coupling, effective models  
→ Dyson-Schwinger equations at  $T = 0$  (Nickel, Wambach, Alkofer (2006))
- ▶ inhomogeneous phases?  
→ S. Carignano's talk
- ▶ our aim: investigate phases with Dyson-Schwinger equations at finite  $T$  and  $\mu$

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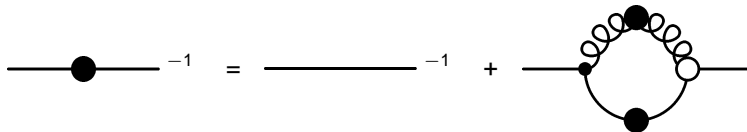
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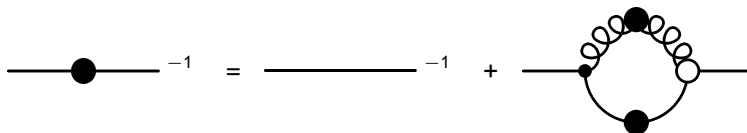
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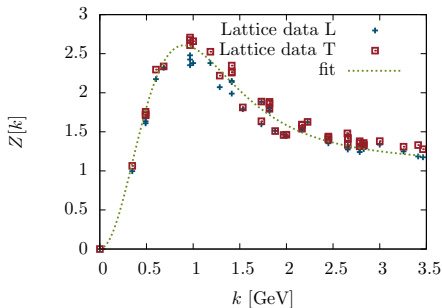


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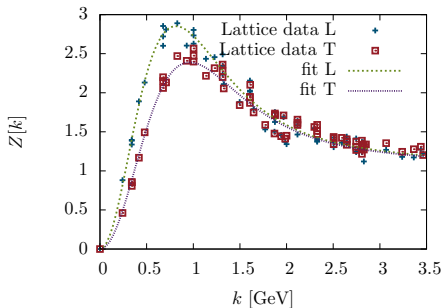
- ▶ exact QCD equation
- ▶ need: gluon propagator and dressed quark gluon vertex  
→ gluon DSE, vertex DSE
- ▶ infinite tower of equations → truncation

Gluon propagator (Landau gauge) (data and fit from Fischer, Maas, Müller (2010)):

$$D_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(k) = \delta^{ab} \left( \frac{Z_T(k^2)}{k^2} P_{\mu\nu}^T(k) + \frac{Z_L(k^2)}{k^2} P_{\mu\nu}^L(k) \right)$$



$T = 0$  MeV



$T = 125$  MeV

## Gluon DSE (truncated)

Effects of quark on the gluon propagator:


$$\text{Gluon propagator with black dot}^{-1} = \text{Gluon propagator with hatched loop}^{-1} + \text{Gluon propagator with quark loop}$$

$$D_{\mu\nu}^{-1,ab}(k) = D_{\mu\nu,YM}^{-1,ab}(k) + \Pi_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(k)$$

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- ▶ calculation with fully dressed quarks or
- ▶ HDL / HTL - like approximation:
  - ▶ bare quark propagators
  - ▶ large Temperatures or chemical potentials  $T, \mu \gg k$
  - ▶ (constant) vacuum parts absorbed in renormalization

$$F(k_4, |\vec{k}|) = 2m_g^2(k) \cdot \dots, \quad G(k_4, |\vec{k}|) = \frac{\pi}{2} m_g^2(k) \frac{k_4}{|\vec{k}|} \cdot \dots$$

$$m_g^2 = \alpha_s(k^2) \left( \frac{N_f \mu^2}{\pi} + \frac{N_f T^2 \pi}{3} \right)$$

- ▶ exact vertex: vertex DSE  $\rightarrow$  4 point functions, non-abelian terms,...  
(complicated)

## Simplifications

- ▶ abelian vertex construction:

$$\Gamma_{\mu}^a(p, q; k) \rightarrow \Gamma(p, q) \gamma_{\mu} \frac{\lambda^a}{2}$$

- ▶ Ansatz for the dressing function  $\Gamma(p, q)$
- ▶ perturbative QCD UV behaviour + phenomenological infrared strength

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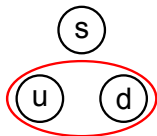
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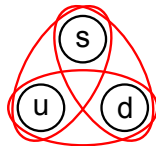
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## Cooper instability

- ▶ fermionic system + attractive force  $\rightarrow$  Cooper pairs
- ▶ in QCD: diquarks  $\langle q^T C O q \rangle$
- ▶ most important phases:



2SC phase  
high  $m_s$  / low  $\mu$



CFL (-like) phase  
low  $m_s$  / high  $\mu$

## Nambu Gor'kov formalism

- ▶ define bispinors  $\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi \\ C\bar{\psi}^T \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\bar{\Psi} = (\bar{\psi} \quad \psi^T C)$
- ▶  $S_0 = \begin{pmatrix} S_0^+ & 0 \\ 0 & S_0^- \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $S = \begin{pmatrix} S^+ & T^- \\ T^+ & S^- \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma^+ & \Phi^- \\ \Phi^+ & \Sigma^- \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\Gamma = \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma^+ & \Delta^- \\ \Delta^+ & \Gamma^- \end{pmatrix}$
- ▶  $T, \Phi$ : anomalous propagators / self energies, representing color superconducting phases

## Properties of the gluon polarization

- ▶ Debye and Meissner masses:

$$m_{D,ab}^2 = \lim_{\vec{p} \rightarrow 0} \Pi_{TL}^{ab}(\omega_m = 0, \vec{p})$$

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- ▶ transversality:  $k_\mu k_\nu D_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(k) = 0$
- ▶ ensured by regularization and truncation
- ▶ requires off-diagonal (in Nambu Gor'kov space) contributions to the quark-gluon vertex

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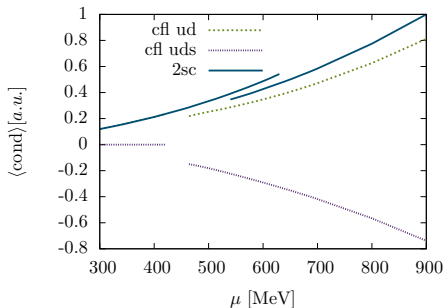
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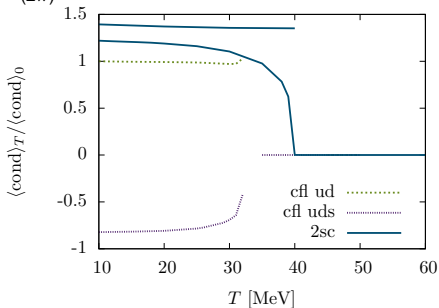
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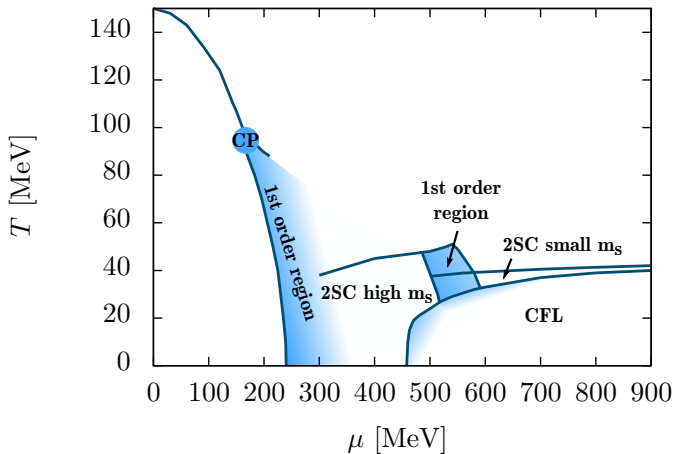
$$\langle q^T C O q \rangle = -Z_2 \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{Tr} [O T^+]$$



dependence of csc condensates on chemical potential ( $T = 10$  MeV)

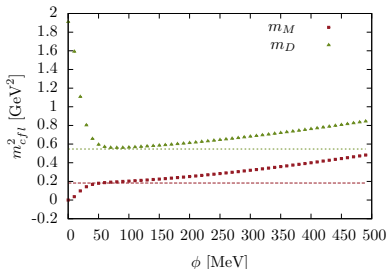


dependence of csc condensates on temperature ( $\mu = 580$  MeV)

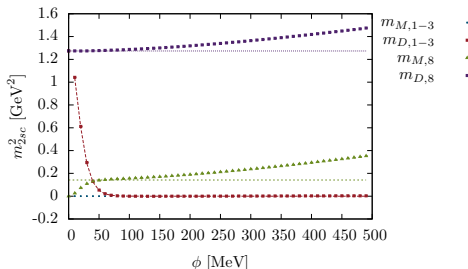


# Gluon masses in the weak coupling limit

Self energy ansatz:  $\Phi^+(\rho) = \phi_i \gamma_5 M_{2SC} / CFL,i$



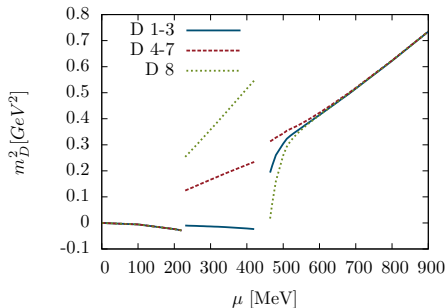
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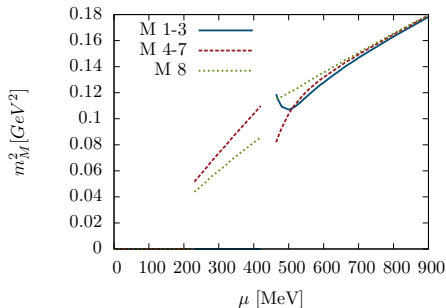
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(weak coupling results from Rischke (2000))

# Gluon masses - full calculation



Debye masses ( $T = 10$  MeV)



Meissner masses ( $T = 10$  MeV)

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## General remarks

- ▶ till now: spatially homogeneous matter
- ▶ chiral 1st order transition possibly covered by inhomogeneous condensates  
→ see S. Carignano's talk (NJL model)
- ▶  $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle = \langle \bar{q}q \rangle(x)$

## Dyson-Schwinger equations - approximations

- ▶ need some simplifications:
- ▶ HDL / HTL truncation
- ▶ 1-dimensional modulations
- ▶ chiral density wave (chiral spiral):  $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle(x) = \langle \bar{q}q \rangle e^{iQx}$

- ▶ non-diagonal structure in momentum space
- ▶ Dirac decomposition requires 10 components

Structure in  $p - p'$  space

$$S^{-1} = \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc|cc} 0 & \square & \diamond & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \square & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & \square & \diamond & 0 \\ 0 & \diamond & \square & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \square \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \diamond & \square & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

## Effective action (HDL / HTL truncations)

$$\Gamma = \text{Tr} \ln S^{-1} - \text{Tr} (1 - S_0^{-1} S) + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} S(p) \Gamma_{\mu,0}^a D_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(p - q) S(q) \Gamma_{\nu}^b$$

## Gap equations

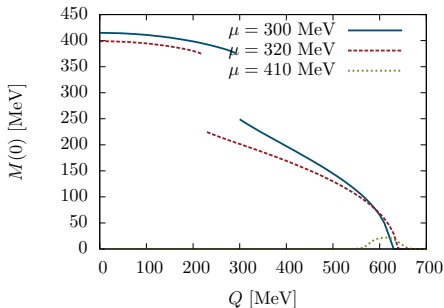
$$\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial S(p)} = 0 \rightarrow S^{-1}(p) = S_0^{-1}(p) + \Sigma(p)$$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dQ} = 0$$

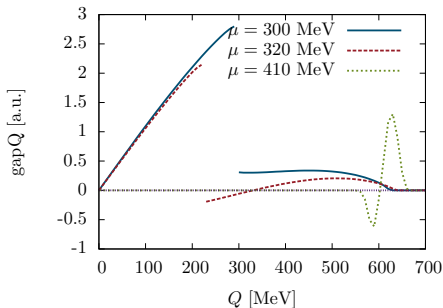
Solve both equations simultaneously!



# Mass and gap equation

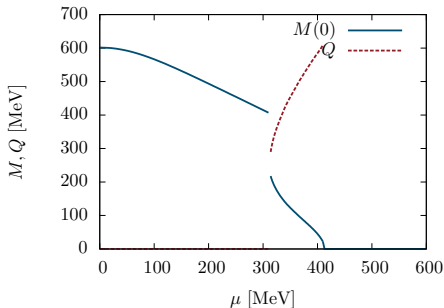


solution for the mass function for given  $Q$   
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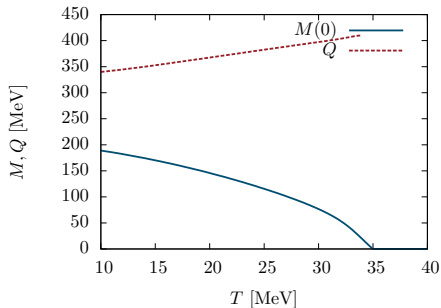


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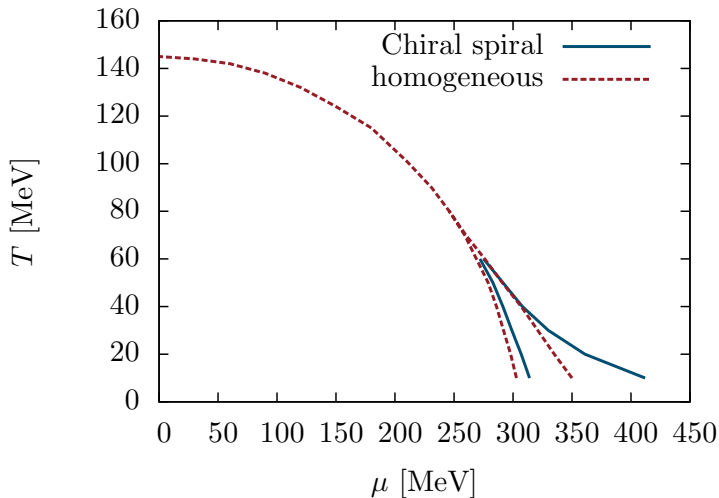


dependence of the mass and wave vector  
on chemical potential ( $T = 10$  MeV)



dependence of the mass and wave vector  
on temperature ( $\mu = 320$  MeV)

# Phase diagram



## Summary

- ▶ Color superconductivity with Dyson-Schwinger equations
- ▶ CFL-phase for  $\mu > 500$  MeV
- ▶ 2SC phase at low densities and at finite T
- ▶ strange quark phase transition visible in 2SC condensates
- ▶ inhomogeneous phases: chiral spiral covers 1st order area

## Outlook

- ▶ improvement of the vertex
- ▶ inhomogeneous color superconducting phases
- ▶ ...

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