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Signals for Chiral Symmetry Restoration

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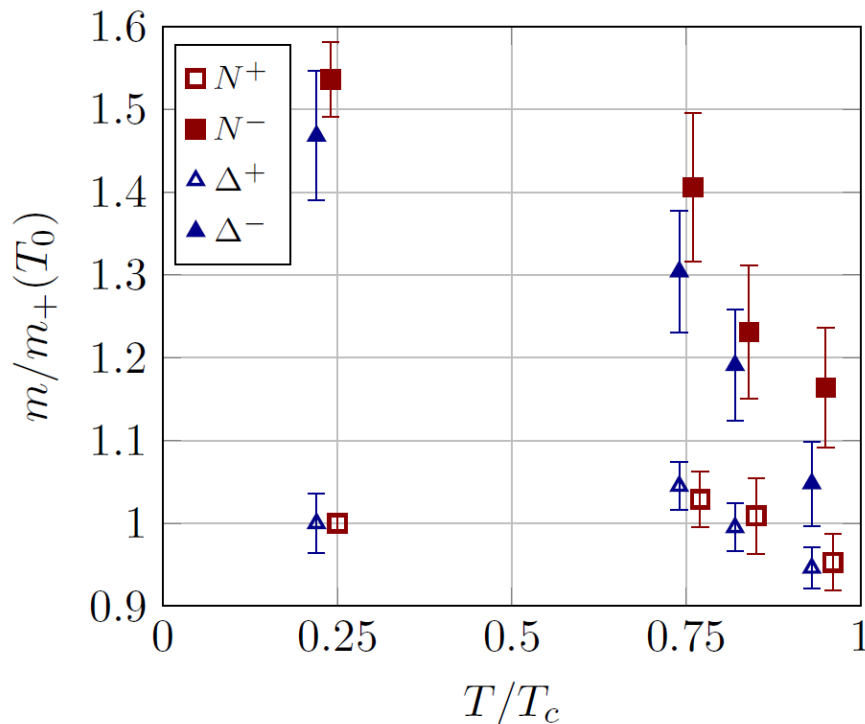
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Fate of hadrons in matter

Unbroken chiral symmetry \rightarrow **parity doubling**

❑ In reality, the mass difference is huge.

❑ Degenerate parity partners at high T/ρ_B as signatures of chiral symmetry restoration!



Temporal masses from LQCD at zero density, FASTSUM Collab. (Aarts et al.), 2017-19

Refs. Marczenko, Redlich, CS, Phys.Rev.D (2023); Koch, Marczenko, Redlich, CS, arXiv:2308.15794

BARYON NUMBER FLUCTUATIONS

Net proton vs. baryon number fluct.

χ_2^B sensitive to the QCD phase transition

→ Net proton fluctuations as a good proxy for net baryon fluctuations: **folklore**

✓ Nucleon parity doublet: N(939) & N*(1535)

- Mean: $\langle N_B \rangle \equiv \kappa_1^B = \kappa_1^+ + \kappa_1^-$

- Variance: $\langle \delta N_B \delta N_B \rangle \equiv \kappa_2^B = \kappa_2^{++} + \kappa_2^{--} + 2\kappa_2^{+-}$

- Cumulants → susceptibilities:

$$\kappa_n^B = VT^3 \chi_n^B \quad \chi_2^B = \chi_2^{++} + \chi_2^{--} + 2\chi_2^{+-}$$

- Sign and strength of χ_2^{+-} ?

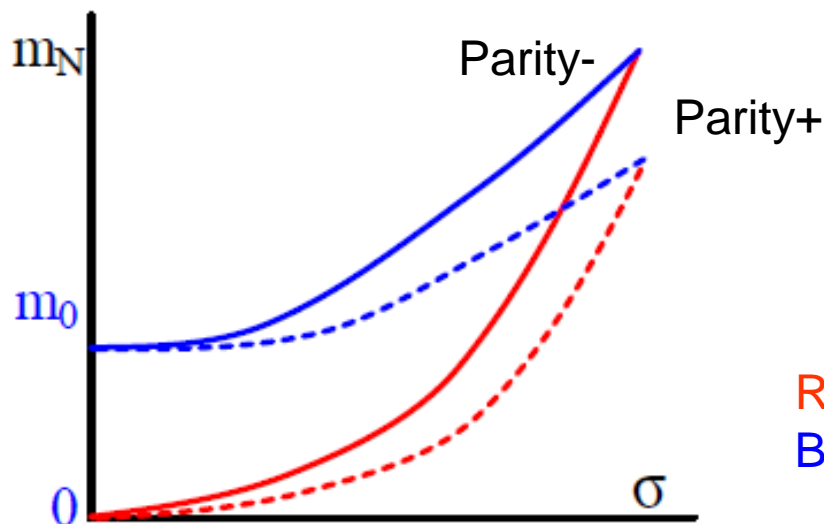
DeTar-Kunihiro/Parity doublet model

□ SU(2) chiral transformation of 2 nucleons

→ how to assign 2 indep. rotation to them?

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{1L} &\rightarrow g_l \psi_{1L}, & \psi_{1R} &\rightarrow g_r \psi_{1R} \sim \psi_{1L} : (1/2, 0) & \psi_{1R} &: (0, 1/2) \\ \psi_{2L} &\rightarrow g_r \psi_{2L}, & \psi_{2R} &\rightarrow g_l \psi_{2R} \sim \psi_{2L} : (0, 1/2) & \psi_{2R} &: (1/2, 0) \end{aligned}$$

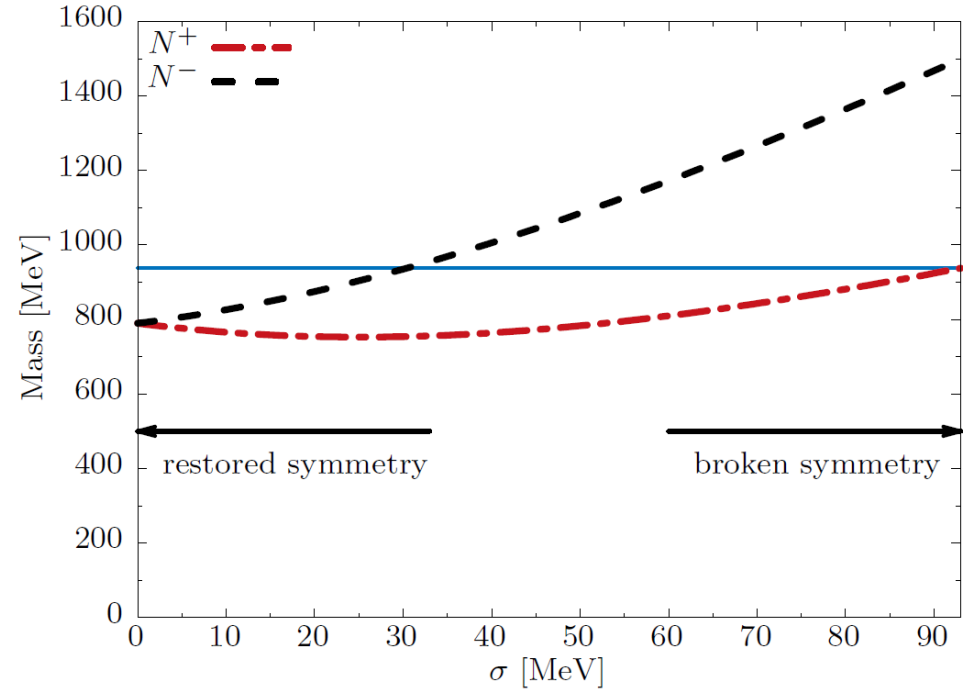
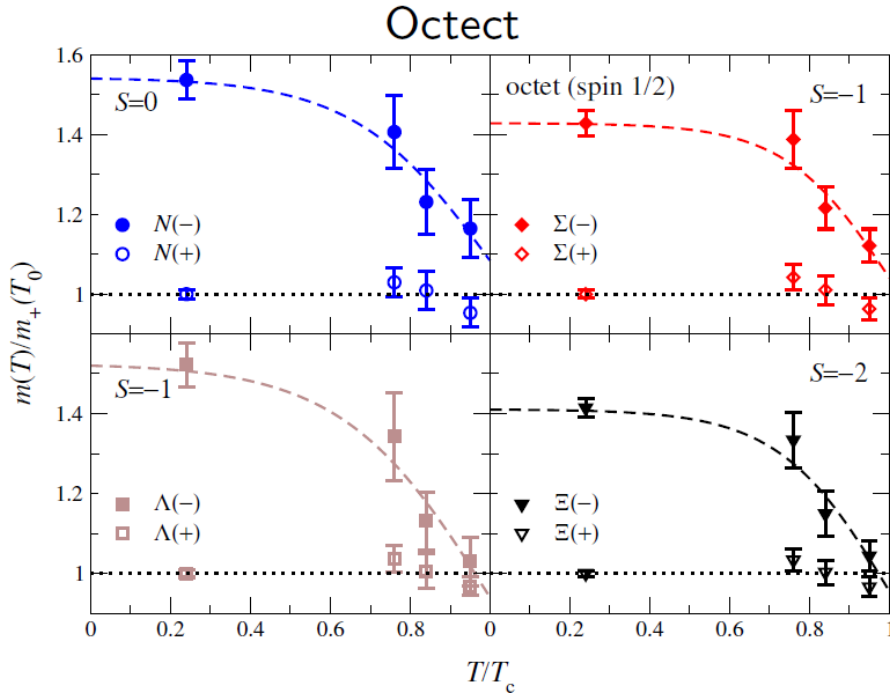
$$\mathcal{L}_m = m_0 (\bar{\psi}_2 \gamma_5 \psi_1 - \bar{\psi}_1 \gamma_5 \psi_2) \Rightarrow m_{N_{\pm}} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\sqrt{c_1 \sigma^2 + 4m_0^2} \mp c_2 \sigma \right]$$



[DeTar-Kunihiro, 1989]

Red: standard
Blue: Mirror

Parity doubling of baryons



❑ Lattice QCD at zero μ

❑ Survival mass $m_N \approx m_0 \neq 0$

[Aarts et al., 2016]

[DeTar, Kunihiro, 1989]

$$M_{\pm} = \sqrt{m_0^2 + c_1^2 \sigma^2} \mp c_2 \sigma \xrightarrow{\sigma \rightarrow 0} m_0$$

Thermodynamics of parity doubler

Linear sigma model for (σ, π) , ω , (N, N^*) & MF

□ New chemical potentials $\mu_{+,-}$ for N, N^*

□ Set at the end $\mu_{\pm} = \mu_N = \mu_B - g_{\omega}\omega$

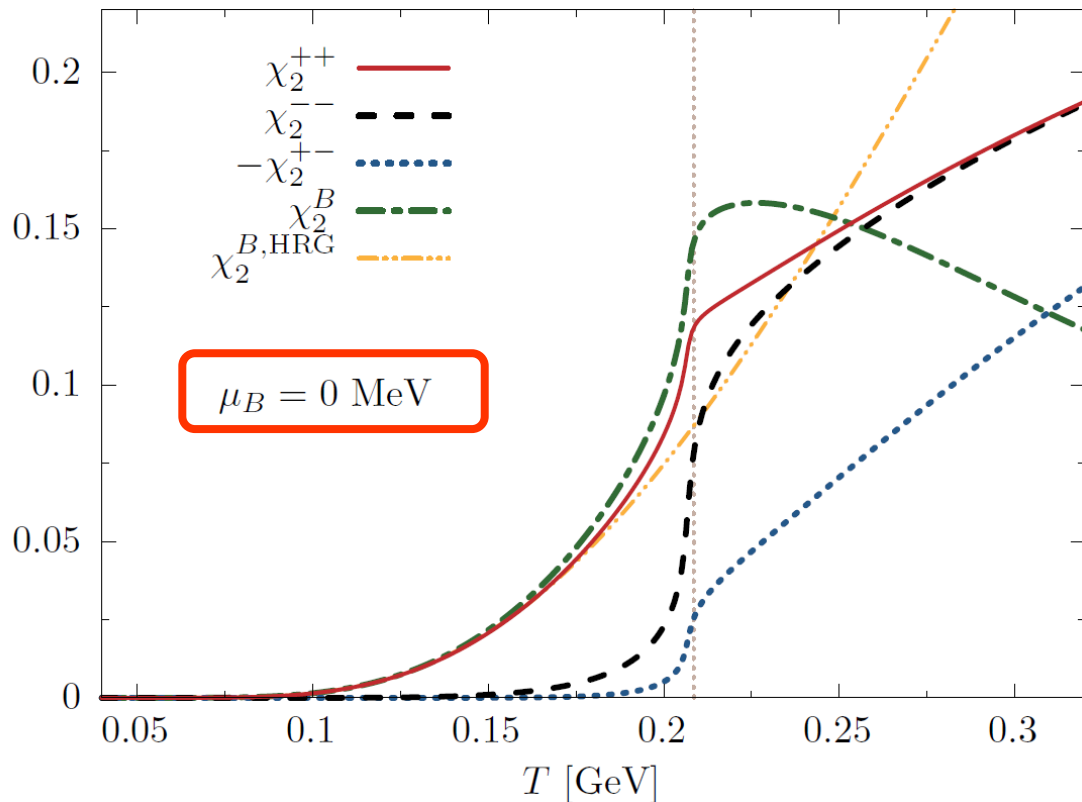
□ Susceptibilities from thermodynamics pot.

$$\Omega = \Omega_{+} + \Omega_{-} + V_{\sigma} + V_{\omega}$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \sigma}$$
$$0 = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \omega}$$

$$\chi_2^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{VT^3} \kappa_2^{\alpha\beta} = - \left. \frac{d^2 \hat{\Omega}}{d\hat{\mu}_{\alpha} d\hat{\mu}_{\beta}} \right|_{T, \mu_{\alpha} = \mu_{\beta} = \mu_N}$$
$$\chi_2^B = \chi_2^{++} + \chi_2^{--} + 2\chi_2^{+-}$$

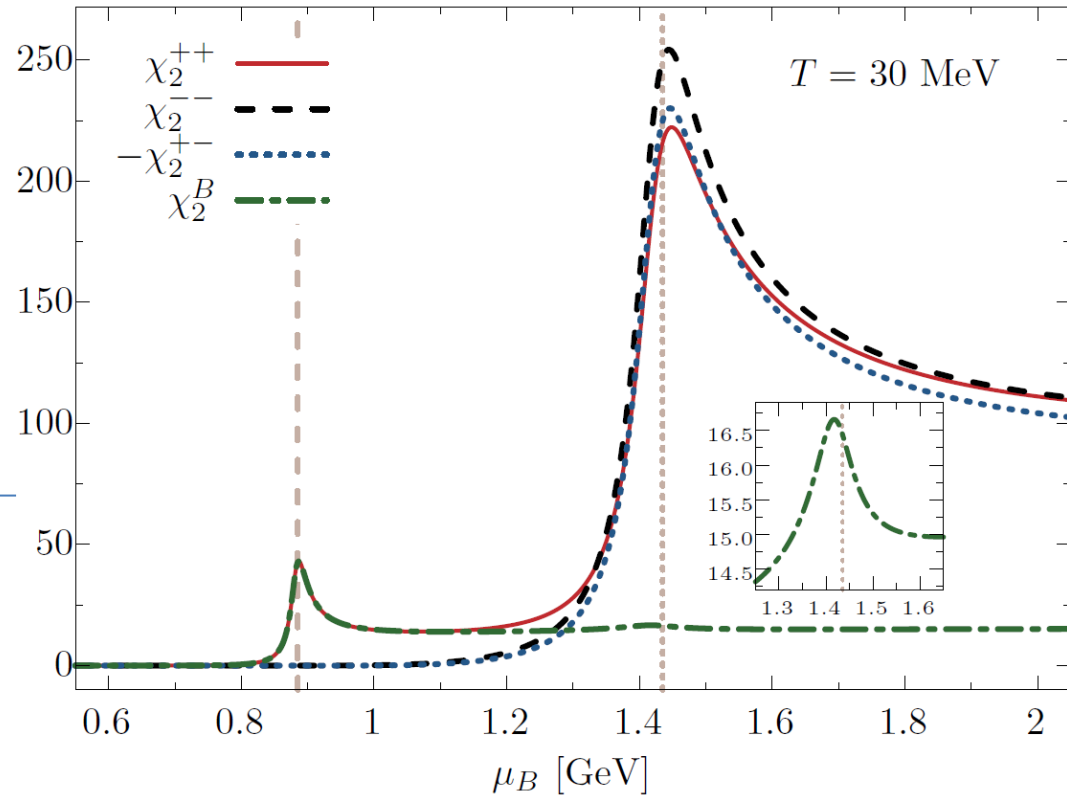
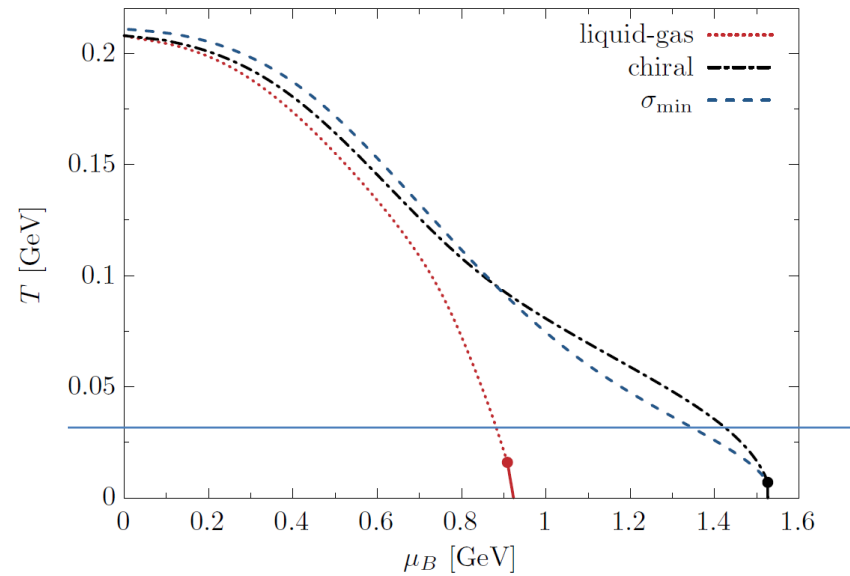
Correlations between N & N*



- χ_2^B dominated by positive-parity fluct.
- N* being relevant only near T_c
- χ_2^{+-} sets in only near T_c , and it's **negative**.
- χ_2^{+-} becomes more negative with repulsive int.

Linear sigma model & nucleon parity doubler

Liquid-gas vs. chiral

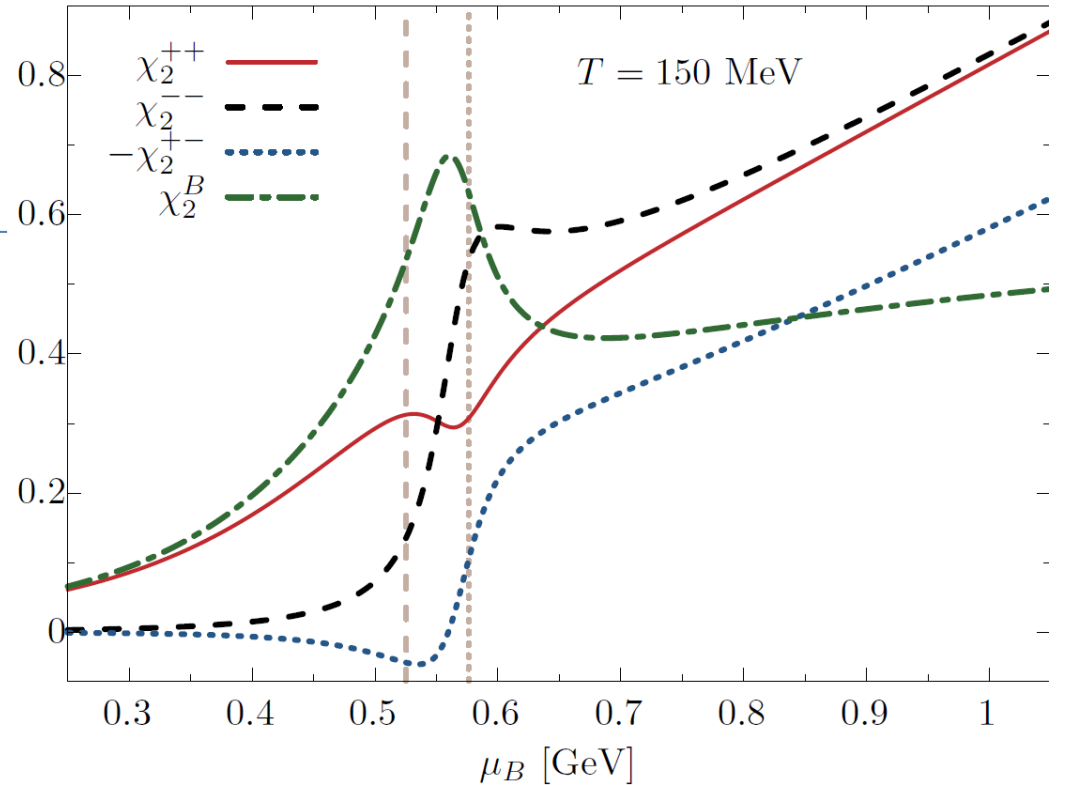
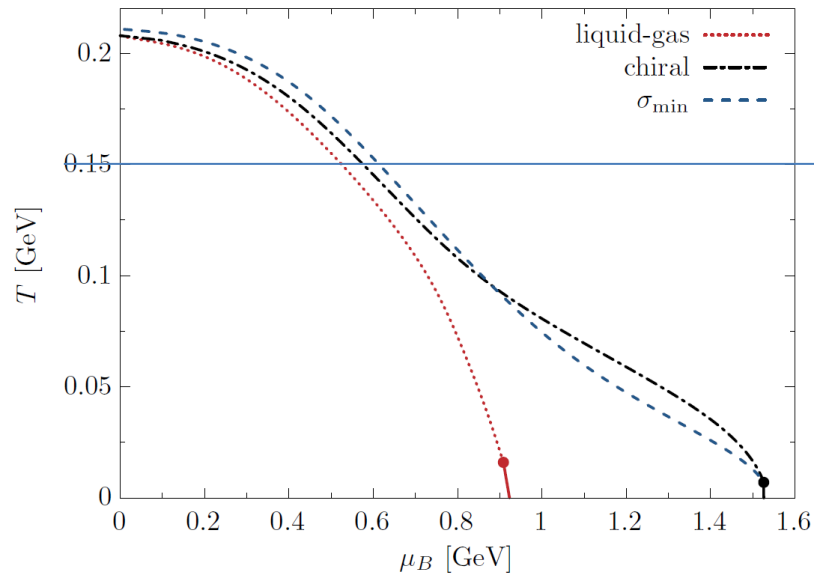


❑ LG dominated by χ_2^{++}

❑ Chiral dominated by both, but $\chi_2^{--} > \chi_2^{++}$

❑ Peaks diminished by $\chi_2^{+-} \rightarrow$ weak signal in χ_2^B

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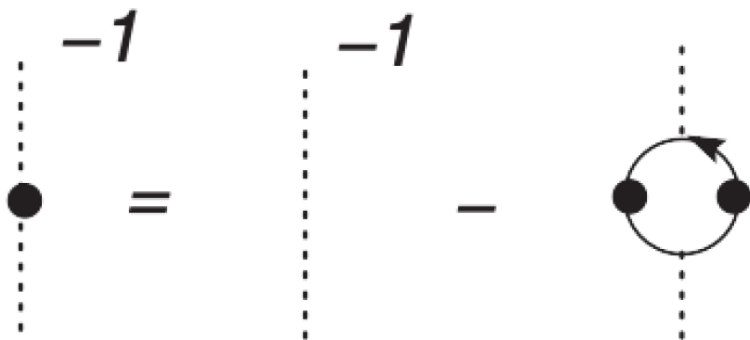
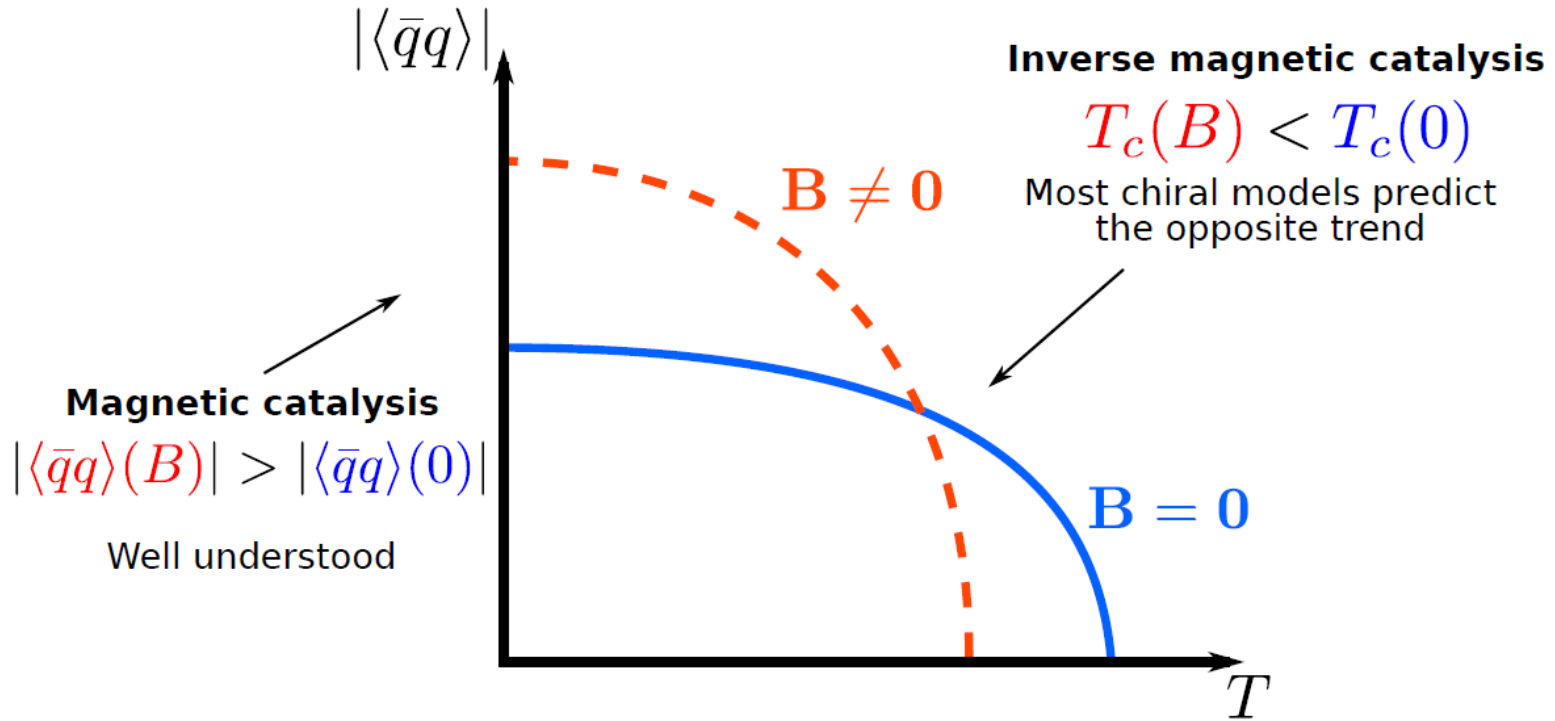


- ❑ Increasing $T \rightarrow$ 2 peaks getting closer
- ❑ Qualitative difference of χ_2^{++} from χ_2^{--}
- ❑ Stronger signal left in χ_2^B

Refs. Lo, Szymanski, Redlich, CS, EPJA (2022); Szymanski, Lo, Redlich, CS, arXiv:2309.03124.

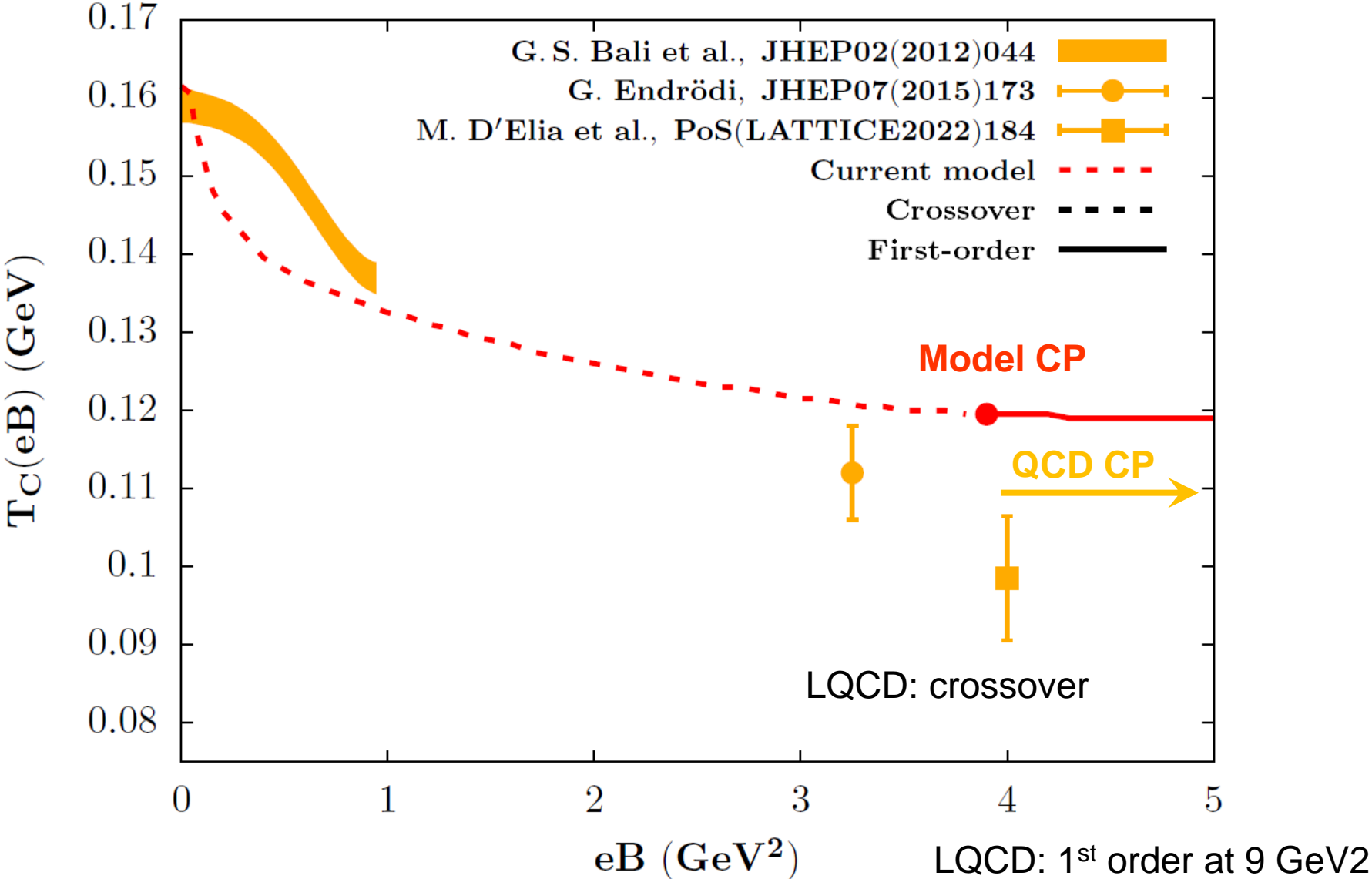
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The model

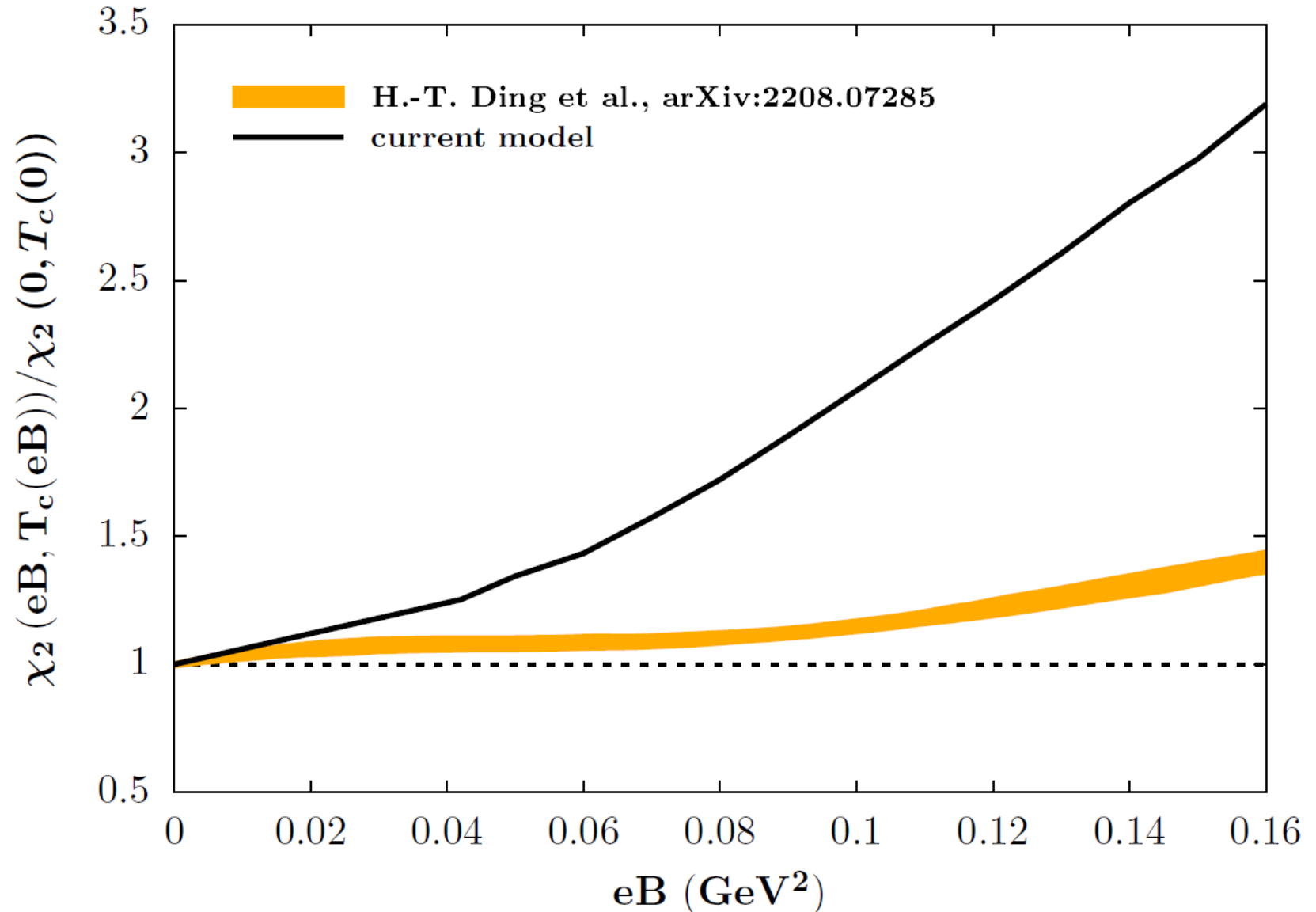


- Screening of 4-fermi interaction; $G \rightarrow G(T,B)$
- Can capture both MC and inverse-MC.

Chiral crossover \rightarrow CP



Net-baryon number susceptibility



Ref. Marczenko, Redlich, CS, to appear on arXiv

BARYON NUMBER FLUCTUATIONS IN NEUTRON STARS

Speed of sound

Method: the piecewise-linear parametrization of the speed of sound [Annala et al., Nature, 2020]

$$c_s^2(\mu) = \frac{(\mu_{i+1} - \mu) c_{s,i}^2 + (\mu - \mu_i) c_{s,i+1}^2}{\mu_{i+1} - \mu_i}$$

- Construct an ensemble of EoSs in agreement with χ EFT and pQCD.
- Related also to net-baryon number sus. via

$$c_s^2 \equiv \frac{dp}{d\epsilon} = \frac{n}{\mu} \frac{1}{\chi}$$

Curvature of the energy per particle

Trace anomaly, max. in c_s^2 [Fujimoto et al., 2022]

$$\Delta \equiv \frac{\epsilon - 3p}{3\epsilon} = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{p}{\epsilon} \quad c_s^2 = \frac{1}{3} - \Delta - \epsilon \frac{d\Delta}{d\epsilon}$$

□ New decomposition

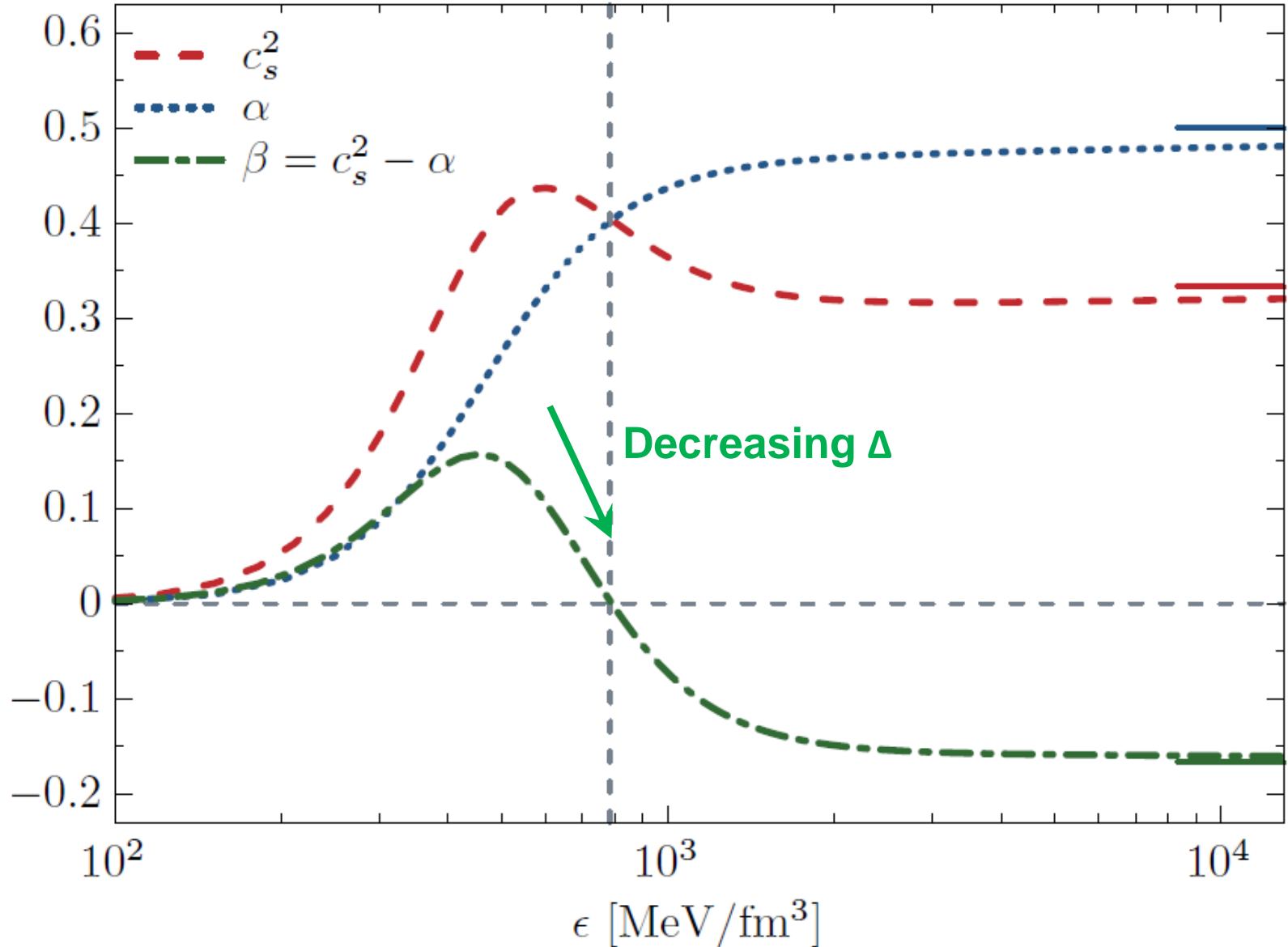
$$c_s^2 = \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{dp}{dn} = \underbrace{2 \frac{n}{\mu} \frac{d\epsilon/n}{dn}}_{\text{Slope}} + \underbrace{\frac{n^2}{\mu} \frac{d^2\epsilon/n}{dn^2}}_{\text{Curvature of energy per particle}} = \alpha + \beta$$

$$\alpha = 2 \frac{\frac{1}{3} - \Delta}{\frac{4}{3} - \Delta},$$

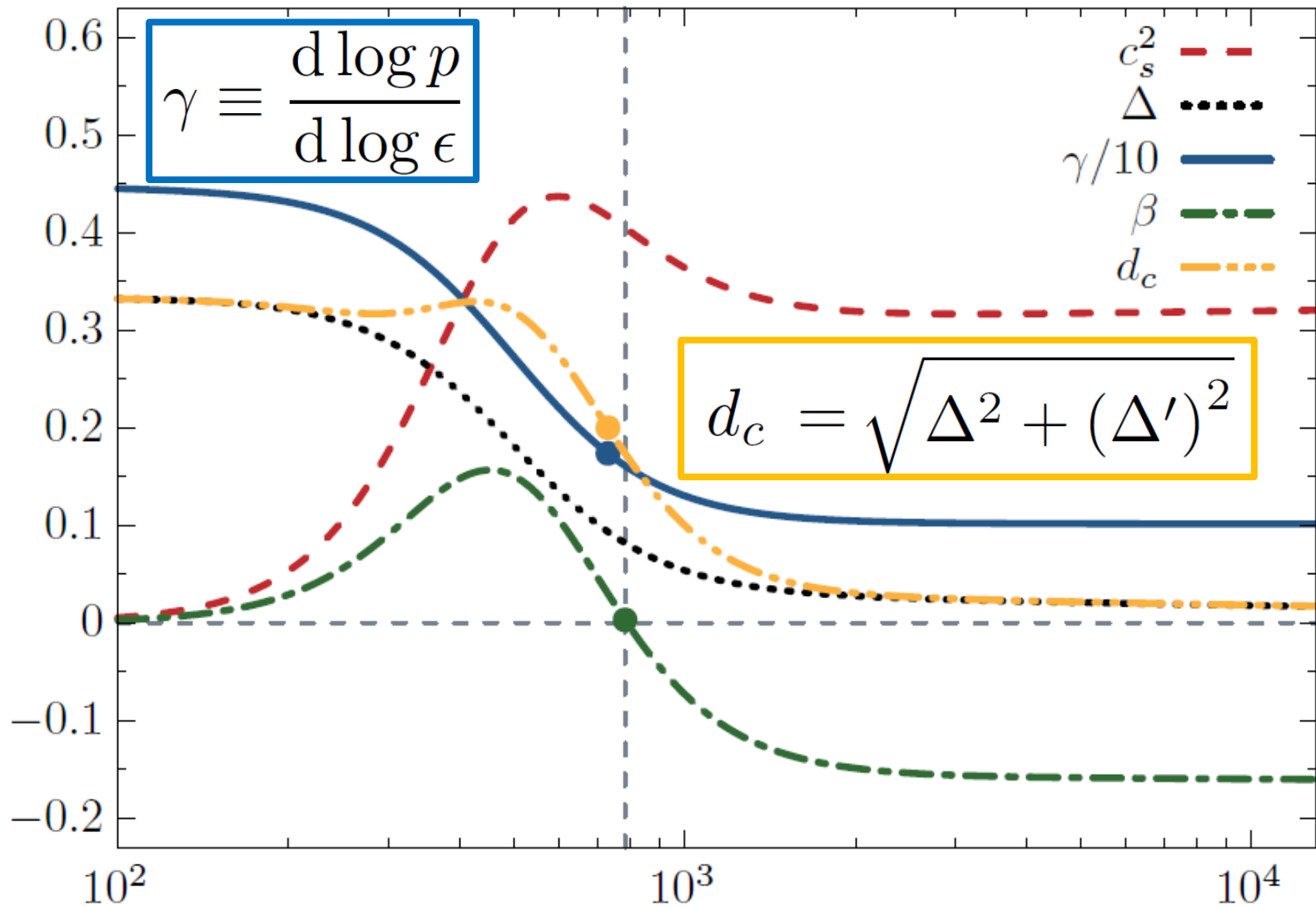
$$\beta = c_s^2 - \alpha$$

$$\alpha \in [0, 1] \quad \text{and} \quad \beta \in [-1, 1]$$

A new criterion of conformality



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$\gamma \rightarrow 1.75$ [Annala et al. (2020)]

ϵ [MeV/fm³]

$d_c \rightarrow 0.2$ [Annala et al. (2023)]

SUMMARY

Concluding remarks

□ Negative correlation between N and N*

- $\chi_2^{++} \approx \text{proton}$ may not reflect χ_2^B .
- χ_2^{proton} is able to identify the QCD CP.
- Proposition: $\chi_2^{++,--,+-}$ in Lattice QCD and other approaches.

□ 4-Fermi interaction dressed by quark loops

- MC & inverse MC, $T_c(B)$, $\chi_2(B)$

□ Curvature of energy per particle in NSs