

# QCD Chiral phase transition from a vector/axial vector meson extended PQM model

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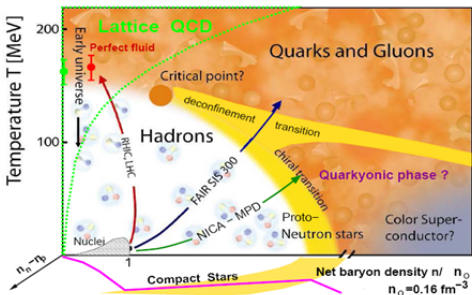
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# QCD phase diagram

Phase diagram in the  $T - \mu_B - \mu_I$  space



- At  $\mu_B = 0$   
 $T_C = 151(3) \text{ MeV}$   
*Y. Aoki, et al., PLB 643, 46 (2006)*
- Is there a CEP?
- At  $T = 0$  in  $\mu_B$  where is the phase boundary?
- Behavior as a function of  $\mu_I/\mu_S$ ?

Details of the phase diagram are heavily studied theoretically (Lattice, EFT), and experimentally (RHIC, LHC, FAIR, NICA)

# Chiral symmetry, chiral models

If the quark masses are zero (chiral limit)  $\implies$  QCD invariant under the following global transformation (**chiral symmetry**):

$$U(3)_L \times U(3)_R \simeq U(3)_V \times U(3)_A = SU(3)_V \times SU(3)_A \times U(1)_V \times U(1)_A$$

$U(1)_V$  term  $\longrightarrow$  baryon number conservation

$U(1)_A$  term  $\longrightarrow$  broken through axial anomaly

$SU(3)_A$  term  $\longrightarrow$  broken down by any quark mass

$SU(3)_V$  term  $\longrightarrow$  broken down to  $SU(2)_V$  if  $m_u = m_d \neq m_s$

$\longrightarrow$  totally broken if  $m_u \neq m_d \neq m_s$  (**realized in nature**)

Since QCD is very hard to solve  $\longrightarrow$  **low energy effective models**  $\longrightarrow$

**reflecting the global symmetries of QCD**  $\longrightarrow$  **degrees of freedom:**

**observable particles** instead of quarks and gluons

Linear realization of the symmetry  $\longrightarrow$  linear sigma model

# Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L} = & \text{Tr}[(D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger (D_\mu \Phi)] - m_0^2 \text{Tr}(\Phi^\dagger \Phi) - \lambda_1 [\text{Tr}(\Phi^\dagger \Phi)]^2 - \lambda_2 \text{Tr}(\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2 \\
 & + c_1 (\det \Phi + \det \Phi^\dagger) + \text{Tr}[H(\Phi + \Phi^\dagger)] - \frac{1}{4} \text{Tr}(L_{\mu\nu}^2 + R_{\mu\nu}^2) \\
 & + \text{Tr} \left[ \left( \frac{m_1^2}{2} \mathbb{1} + \Delta \right) (L_\mu^2 + R_\mu^2) \right] + i \frac{g_2}{2} (\text{Tr}\{L_{\mu\nu}[L^\mu, L^\nu]\} + \text{Tr}\{R_{\mu\nu}[R^\mu, R^\nu]\}) \\
 & + \frac{h_1}{2} \text{Tr}(\Phi^\dagger \Phi) \text{Tr}(L_\mu^2 + R_\mu^2) + h_2 \text{Tr}[(L_\mu \Phi)^2 + (\Phi R_\mu)^2] + 2h_3 \text{Tr}(L_\mu \Phi R^\mu \Phi^\dagger) \\
 & + \bar{\Psi} i \gamma_\mu D^\mu \Psi - g_F \bar{\Psi} (\Phi_S + i \gamma_5 \Phi_{PS}) \Psi,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$D^\mu \Phi = \partial^\mu \Phi - ig_1 (L^\mu \Phi - \Phi R^\mu) - ie A_e^\mu [T_3, \Phi],$$

$$L^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu L^\nu - ie A_e^\mu [T_3, L^\nu] - \{\partial^\nu L^\mu - ie A_e^\nu [T_3, L^\mu]\},$$

$$R^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu R^\nu - ie A_e^\mu [T_3, R^\nu] - \{\partial^\nu R^\mu - ie A_e^\nu [T_3, R^\mu]\},$$

$$D^\mu \Psi = \partial^\mu \Psi - i G^\mu \Psi, \quad \text{with} \quad G^\mu = g_s G_a^\mu T_a.$$

+ Polyakov loop potential

## Included fields - pseudoscalar and scalar meson nonets

$$\Phi_{PS} = \sum_{i=0}^8 \pi_i T_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\eta_N + \pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} & \pi^+ & K^+ \\ \pi^- & \frac{\eta_N - \pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} & K^0 \\ K^- & K^0 & \eta_S \end{pmatrix} (\sim \bar{q}_i \gamma_5 q_j)$$

$$\Phi_S = \sum_{i=0}^8 \sigma_i T_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sigma_N + a_0^0}{\sqrt{2}} & a_0^+ & K_S^+ \\ a_0^- & \frac{\sigma_N - a_0^0}{\sqrt{2}} & K_S^0 \\ K_S^- & K_S^0 & \sigma_S \end{pmatrix} (\sim \bar{q}_i q_j)$$

## Particle content:

Pseudoscalars:  $\pi(138)$ ,  $K(495)$ ,  $\eta(548)$ ,  $\eta'(958)$

Scalars:  $a_0(980 \text{ or } 1450)$ ,  $K_S(800 \text{ or } 1430)$ ,

2 of  $f_0(500, 980, 1370, 1500, 1710)$

# Structure of scalar mesons

	Mass (MeV)	width (MeV)	decays
$a_0(980)$	$980 \pm 20$	50 – 100	$\pi\pi$ dominant
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Possible scalar states:  $\bar{q}q$ , tetraquarks, glueballs

scalar  $\bar{q}q$  nonet content: 1  $a_0$ , 1  $K_s$ , and 2  $f_0$ :  $a_0^{\bar{q}q} \rightarrow a_0(1450)$ ,  
 $K_s^{\bar{q}q} \rightarrow K_s(1430)$ ,  $f_0^{L,\bar{q}q} \rightarrow f_0(1370)$ ,  $f_0^{L,\bar{q}q} \rightarrow f_0(1710)$

Parganlija et al., PRD87, 014011

tetraquarks:  $f_0(500)$ ,  $f_0(980)$ ,  $a_0(980)$ ,  $K_s(800)$  ?

glueballs:  $f_0(1500)$  ?

## Included fields - vector meson nonets

$$V^\mu = \sum_{i=0}^8 \rho_i^\mu T_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\omega_N + \rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} & \rho^+ & K^{*+} \\ \rho^- & \frac{\omega_N - \rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} & K^{*0} \\ K^{*-} & K^{*0} & \omega_S \end{pmatrix}^\mu$$

$$A^\mu = \sum_{i=0}^8 b_i^\mu T_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{f_{1N} + a_1^0}{\sqrt{2}} & a_1^+ & K_1^+ \\ a_1^- & \frac{f_{1N} - a_1^0}{\sqrt{2}} & K_1^0 \\ K_1^- & K_1^0 & f_{1S} \end{pmatrix}^\mu$$

## Particle content:

Vector mesons:  $\rho(770)$ ,  $K^*(894)$ ,  $\omega_N = \omega(782)$ ,  $\omega_S = \phi(1020)$

Axial vectors:  $a_1(1230)$ ,  $K_1(1270)$ ,  $f_{1N}(1280)$ ,  $f_{1S}(1426)$



# Spontaneous symmetry breaking

Interaction is approximately chiral symmetric, spectra is not  
 → SSB:

$$\sigma_{N/S} \rightarrow \sigma_{N/S} + \bar{\sigma}_{N/S} \quad \bar{\sigma}_{N/S} \equiv \langle \sigma_{N/S} \rangle$$

For tree level masses we have to select all terms quadratic in the new fields. Some of the terms include mixings arising from terms like  $\text{Tr}[(D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger (D_\mu \Phi)]$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \eta_N - f_{1N}^\mu &: -g_1 \bar{\sigma}_N f_{1N}^\mu \partial_\mu \eta_N, \\
 \pi - a_1^\mu &: -g_1 \bar{\sigma}_N (a_1^{\mu+} \partial_\mu \pi^- + a_1^{\mu 0} \partial_\mu \pi^0) + \text{h.c.}, \\
 \eta_S - f_{1S}^\mu &: -\sqrt{2} g_1 \bar{\sigma}_S f_{1S}^\mu \partial_\mu \eta_S, \\
 K_S - K_\mu^* &: \frac{ig_1}{2} (\sqrt{2} \bar{\sigma}_S - \bar{\sigma}_N) (\bar{K}_\mu^{*0} \partial^\mu K_S^0 + K_\mu^{*-} \partial^\mu K_S^+) + \text{h.c.}, \\
 K - K_1^\mu &: -\frac{g_1}{2} (\bar{\sigma}_N + \sqrt{2} \bar{\sigma}_S) (K_1^{\mu 0} \partial_\mu \bar{K}^0 + K_1^{\mu+} \partial_\mu K^-) + \text{h.c.}
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

# Polyakov loops in Polyakov gauge

**Polyakov loop variables:**  $\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{\text{Tr}_c L(\vec{x})}{N_c}$  and  $\bar{\Phi}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\text{Tr}_c \bar{L}(\vec{x})}{N_c}$  with

$$L(x) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left[ i \int_0^\beta d\tau G_4(\vec{x}, \tau) \right]$$

↔ signals center symmetry ( $\mathbb{Z}_3$ ) breaking at the deconfinement transition

low  $T$ : confined phase,  $\langle \Phi(\vec{x}) \rangle, \langle \bar{\Phi}(\vec{x}) \rangle = 0$

high  $T$ : deconfined phase,  $\langle \Phi(\vec{x}) \rangle, \langle \bar{\Phi}(\vec{x}) \rangle \neq 0$

- **Polyakov gauge:**  $G_4(\vec{x}, \tau) = G_4(\vec{x})$ , plus gauge rotation to diagonal form in color space
- further simplification:  $\vec{x}$ -independence

$$\hookrightarrow L = e^{i\beta G_4} = \text{diag}(a, b, c) \left( \overset{!}{\in} SU(N_c) \right); \quad a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$$

↔ use this to calculate partition function of free quarks on constant gluon background

# Polyakov loop potential

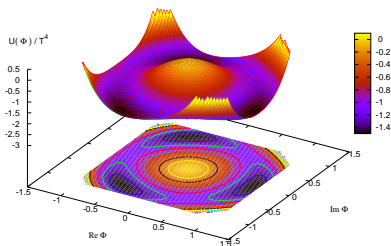
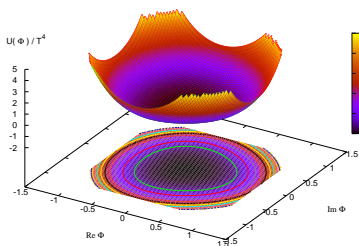
“Color confinement”

$\langle \Phi \rangle = 0 \rightarrow$  no breaking of  $\mathbb{Z}_3$

“Color deconfinement”

$\langle \Phi \rangle \neq 0 \rightarrow$  spontaneous breaking of  $\mathbb{Z}_3$

H. Hansen et al., PRD75, 065004 (2007)



Form of the potential:

- Polynomial:  $U_{YM}^{\text{Poly}}$
- Logarithmic:  $U_{YM}$
- Improved Polyakov loop potential (logarithmic):  $U_{\text{glue}}$

# Field equations for the order parameters

**Hybrid approach:** fermions at one-loop, mesons at tree-level  
→ calculate  $\Omega$  the **grand canonical potential**

$$\Omega(T, \mu_q) = U_{\text{meson}}^{\text{tree}}(\langle\phi\rangle) + \Omega_{\bar{q}q}^{\text{vac}} + \Omega_{\bar{q}q}^T(T, \mu_q) + \mathcal{U}^{\text{glue}}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}, t_{\text{glue}}(T))$$

$$i.) \quad \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \bar{\sigma}_N} = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \bar{\sigma}_S} \Big|_{\bar{\sigma}_N = \phi_N, \bar{\sigma}_S = \phi_S} = 0$$

$$ii.) \quad \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \Phi} = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \bar{\Phi}} \Big|_{\bar{\sigma}_N = \phi_N, \bar{\sigma}_S = \phi_S} = 0,$$

# Curvature masses

$$\mathcal{M}_{i,ab}^2 = \left. \frac{\partial^2 \Omega(T, \mu_f)}{\partial \varphi_{i,a} \partial \varphi_{i,b}} \right|_{\min} = m_{i,ab}^2 + \Delta_0 m_{i,ab}^2 + \Delta_T m_{i,ab}^2,$$

$m_{i,ab}^2 \longrightarrow$  tree-level mass matrix,

$\Delta_0/\Delta_T m_{i,ab}^2 \longrightarrow$  fermion vacuum/thermal fluctuation,

$$\Delta_0 m_{i,ab}^2 = \left. \frac{\partial^2 \Omega_{q\bar{q}}^{\text{vac}}}{\partial \varphi_{i,a} \partial \varphi_{i,b}} \right|_{\min} = -\frac{3}{8\pi^2} \sum_{f=u,d,s} \left[ \left( \frac{3}{2} + \log \frac{m_f^2}{M^2} \right) m_{f,a}^{2(i)} m_{f,b}^{2(i)} + m_f^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} + \log \frac{m_f^2}{M^2} \right) m_{f,ab}^{2(i)} \right],$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_T m_{i,ab}^2 = \left. \frac{\partial^2 \Omega_{q\bar{q}}^{\text{th}}}{\partial \varphi_{i,a} \partial \varphi_{i,b}} \right|_{\min} &= 6 \sum_{f=u,d,s} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_f(p)} \left[ (f_f^+(p) + f_f^-(p)) \left( m_{f,ab}^{2(i)} - \frac{m_{f,a}^{2(i)} m_{f,b}^{2(i)}}{2E_f^2(p)} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (B_f^+(p) + B_f^-(p)) \frac{m_{f,a}^{2(i)} m_{f,b}^{2(i)}}{2TE_f(p)} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where  $m_{f,a}^{2(i)} \equiv \partial m_f^2 / \partial \varphi_{i,a}$ ,  $m_{f,ab}^{2(i)} \equiv \partial^2 m_f^2 / \partial \varphi_{i,a} \partial \varphi_{i,b}$

# Determination of the parameters

14 unknown parameters ( $m_0, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, c_1, m_1, g_1, g_2, h_1, h_2, h_3, \delta_S, \Phi_N, \Phi_S, \mathbf{g}F$ )  $\rightarrow$  determined by the **min. of  $\chi^2$** :

$$\chi^2(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \sum_{i=1}^M \left[ \frac{Q_i(x_1, \dots, x_N) - Q_i^{\text{exp}}}{\delta Q_i} \right]^2,$$

$(x_1, \dots, x_N) = (m_0, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots)$ ,  $Q_i(x_1, \dots, x_N) \rightarrow$  from the model,  $Q_i^{\text{exp}} \rightarrow$  PDG value,  $\delta Q_i = \max\{5\%, \text{PDG value}\}$

multiparametric minimalization  $\rightarrow$  **MINUIT**

- PCAC  $\rightarrow$  2 physical quantities:  $f_\pi, f_K$

- Curvature masses  $\rightarrow$  16 physical quantities:

$m_{u/d}, m_s, m_\pi, m_\eta, m_{\eta'}, m_K, m_\rho, m_\Phi, m_{K^*}, m_{a_1}, m_{f_1^H}, m_{K_1}, m_{a_0}, m_{K_s}, m_{f_0^L}, m_{f_0^H}$

- Decay widths  $\rightarrow$  12 physical quantities:

$\Gamma_{\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi}, \Gamma_{\Phi \rightarrow KK}, \Gamma_{K^* \rightarrow K\pi}, \Gamma_{a_1 \rightarrow \pi\gamma}, \Gamma_{a_1 \rightarrow \rho\pi}, \Gamma_{f_1 \rightarrow KK^*}, \Gamma_{a_0}, \Gamma_{K_S \rightarrow K\pi}, \Gamma_{f_0^L \rightarrow \pi\pi}, \Gamma_{f_0^L \rightarrow KK}, \Gamma_{f_0^H \rightarrow \pi\pi}, \Gamma_{f_0^H \rightarrow KK}$

# Features of our approach

- D.O.F's: scalar, pseudoscalar, vector, axial vector nonets,
- Polyakov loop variables with  $\mathcal{U}^{\text{YM}}$  or  $\mathcal{U}^{\text{glue}}$
- constituent quarks
- Four order parameters  $(\phi_N, \phi_S, \Phi, \bar{\Phi}) \longrightarrow$   
four coupled  $T/\mu_B$ -dependent equations
- Fermion **vacuum** fluctuations
- Fermion **thermal** fluctuations
- Fermion contributions to the tree-level meson masses  $\longrightarrow$   
curvature masses
- + **Thermal pion fluctuations for the pressure and other thermodynamical quantities**

# Consequence of scalar mesons sector

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↔ We have 40 assignment possibilities!

Different parameterizations can give different thermodynamical behavior



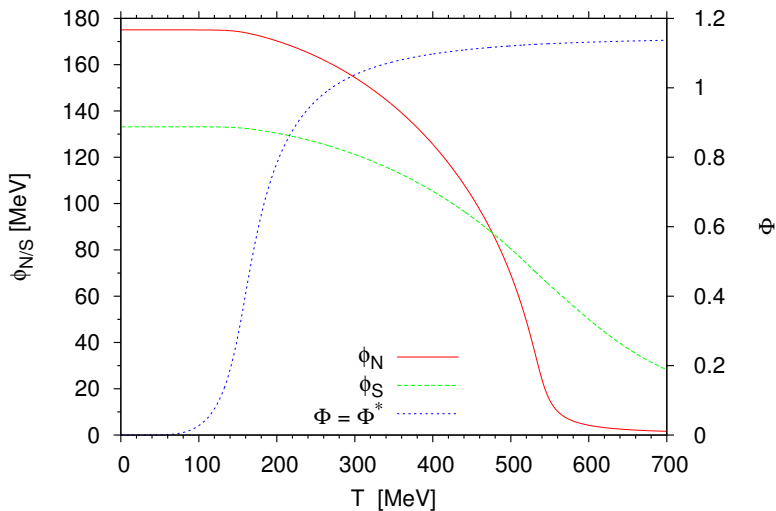
## Remarks and consequences of the parameterization

- In all 40 cases the best  $\chi^2$  solution was chosen
- Only parameterizations, which produced  $m_{f_0^L} \lesssim 800$  MeV can have  $T_c \approx 151$  MeV (lattice data)
- Only parameterizations, which produced  $m_{f_0^L} \lesssim 400$  MeV can have 1<sup>st</sup> order transition in  $\mu_B \implies$  there is CEP
- If  $T_c \approx 150$  MeV and the CEP exists  $\implies m_{a_0}$  and  $m_{K_S}$  are also below 1 GeV
- Important note: **scale dependence**  $\longrightarrow$  can **change the numbers**

$T$  dependence of the order parameters

With high mass scalars,  $m_{f_0^L} = 1326$  MeV

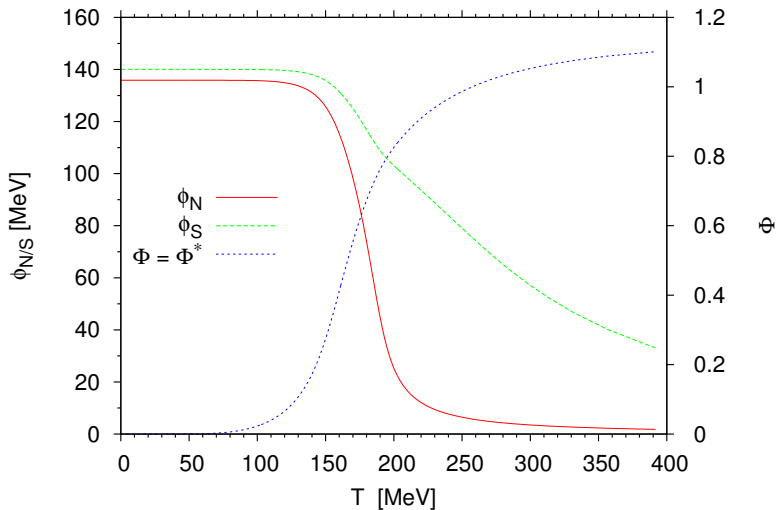
Condensates and Polyakov loop variables with vacuum fluctuations



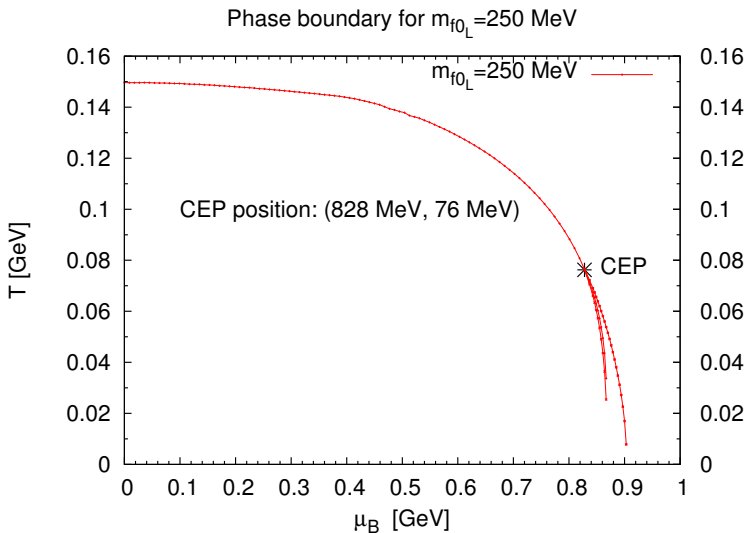
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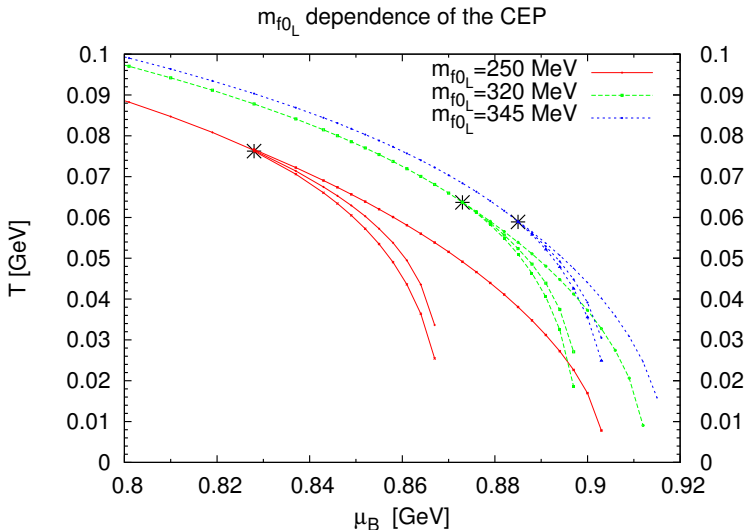
With low mass scalars,  $m_{f_0^L} = 402 \text{ MeV}$

Condensates and Polyakov loop variables with vacuum fluctuations



# The phase boundary



CEP for different  $f_0^L$  masses

Subtracted condensate, pressure, energy density, etc...

## Calculation of thermodynamical quantities

$$\text{pressure: } p = \frac{\partial(T \ln Z)}{\partial V} = -\Omega$$

$$\text{entropy density: } s = \frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial(T \ln Z)}{\partial T} = \frac{\partial p}{\partial T}$$

$$\text{energy density } (\mu_B = 0): \epsilon = -p + Ts$$

mesonic thermal 1-loop contribution to the pressure:

$$p_{\text{meson}} = -\Omega_{\text{meson}}^{1\text{-loop}, T} = -NT \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left( 1 - e^{-\beta \omega(p)} \right)$$

$$\text{where, } \omega(p) = \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}$$

to compare with the lattice  $\rightarrow$

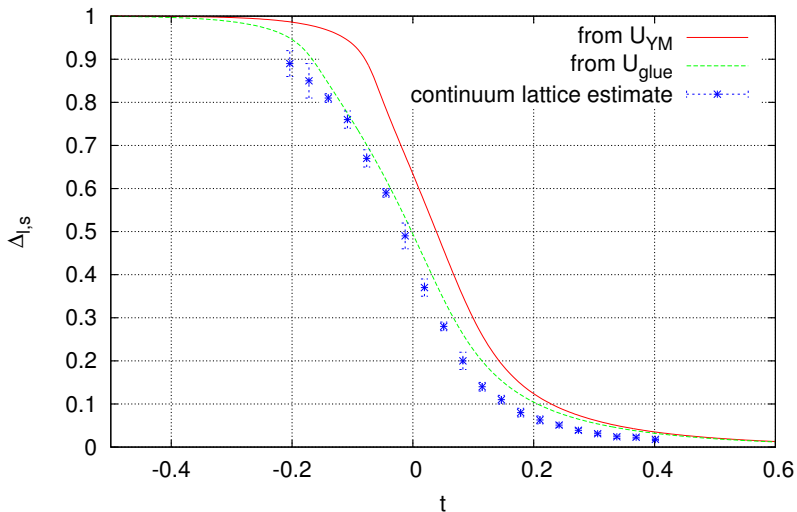
$$\text{subtracted condensate: } \Delta_{l,s} = \frac{\Phi_N - \frac{\hbar_N}{\hbar_S} \cdot \Phi_S|_T}{\Phi_N - \frac{\hbar_N}{\hbar_S} \cdot \Phi_S|_{T=0}}$$

$$\text{interaction measure: } I/T^4 = (\epsilon - 3p)/T^4$$

Subtracted condensate, pressure, energy density, etc...

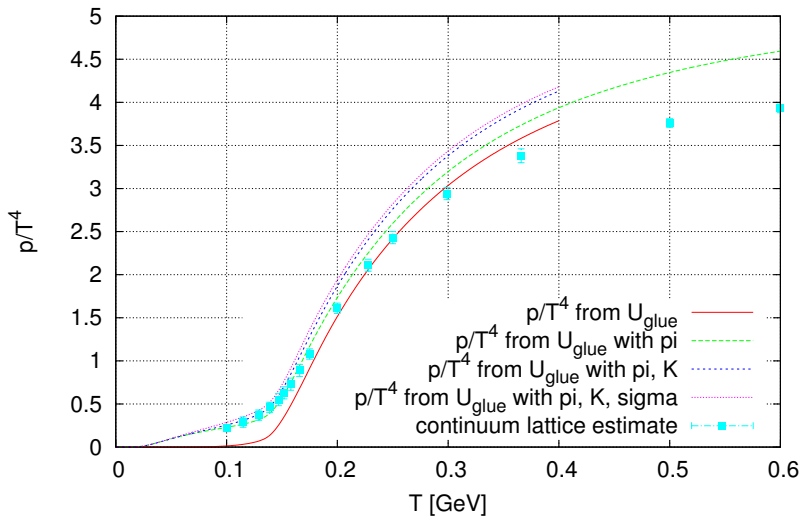
# The subtracted condensate

t dependence of subtracted condensate



Subtracted condensate, pressure, energy density, etc...

# The normalized pressure

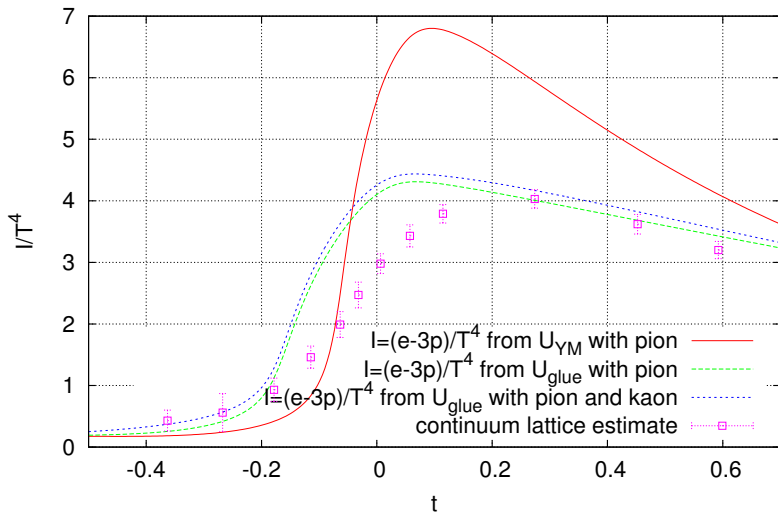
Influence of the mesonic thermal fluctuations on  $p(T)$ 



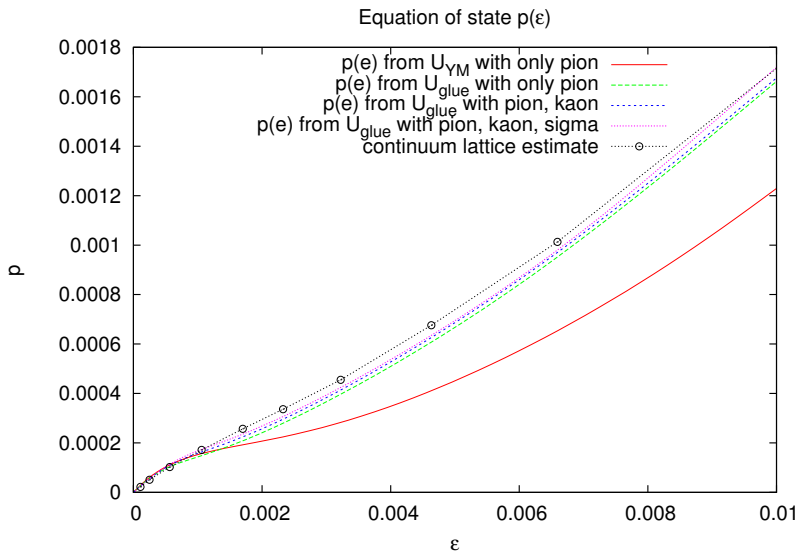
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## Interaction measure or trace anomaly

Influence of the mesonic thermal fluctuations on the trace anomaly

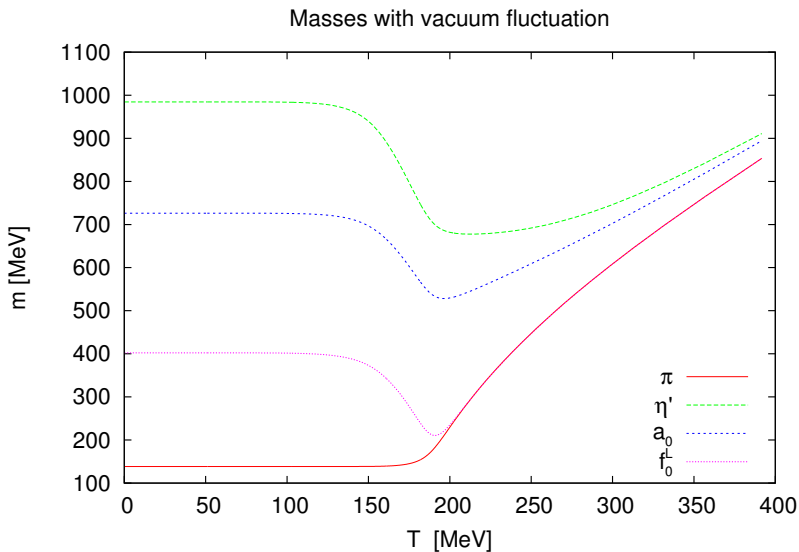


Subtracted condensate, pressure, energy density, etc...

Equation of state at  $\mu_B = 0$ 

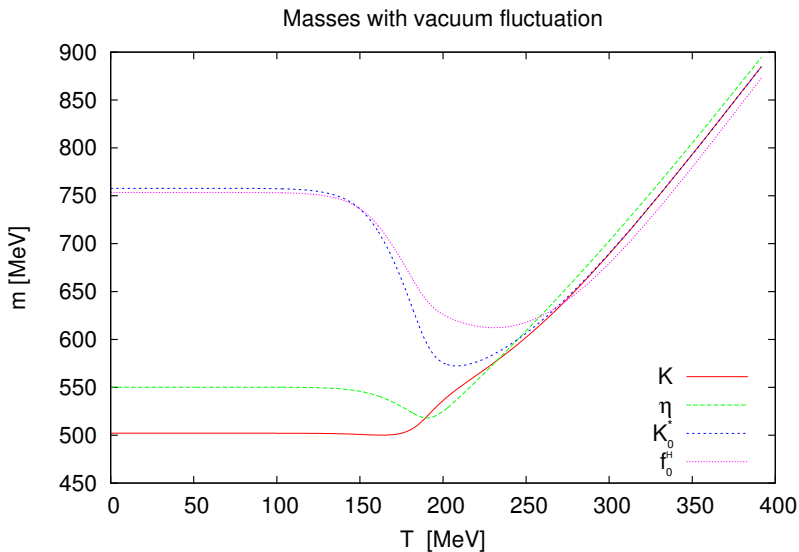
$T$  dependence of the (pseudo)scalar masses

$\pi, \eta', a_0, f_0^L$  masses



$T$  dependence of the (pseudo)scalar masses

$K, \eta, K^*, f_0^H$  masses



# Summary

- Thermodynamics of a vector meson extended Polyakov quark meson was investigated
- We used a hybrid approach: fermion vacuum/thermal fluctuations (has the largest contribution), bosons at tree-level (except in pressure and such)
- We investigated the 40 possible scalar parameterization scenarios
- At finite  $T/\mu_B$  there was 4 coupled equations for the 4 order parameters
- Various thermodynamical quantities were calculated, which show quiet good agreement with lattice results, if we use the improved Polyakov potential
- Model can be used to give predictions at finite densities (masses, decay widths, thermodynamical quantities)

Thank you for your attention!

$\mu_B$  dependence of the  $\pi, \eta, \eta', K$  masses