Critical behavior of light quark and baryon number fluctuations

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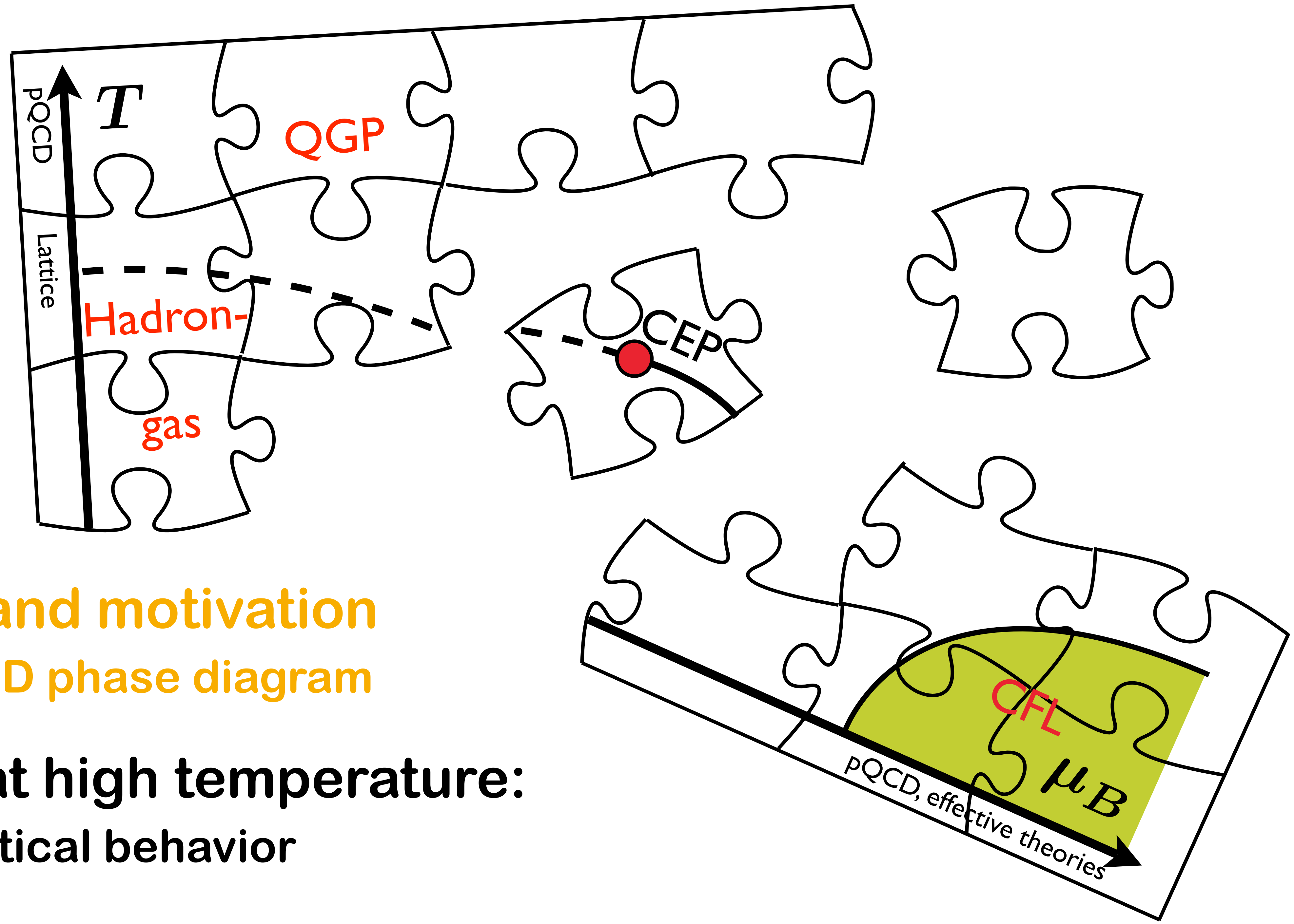
Literature:

- A. Bazavov et al. [hotQCD], PRD 80 (2009) 014504 „EoS at $\mu_B = 0\,(N_\tau = 8)$“
- M.Cheng et al [RBC-Bielefeld] arXiv:0911.2215 „physical masses“
- S. Ejiri [RBC-Bielefeld], arXiv: 9090.5122 „critical behavior $\mu_B = 0\ (N_\tau = 4)$“
- M. Cheng et al. [RBC-Bielefeld], PRD 79 (2009) 074505 „fluctuations at $\mu_B = 0\,(N_\tau = 4, 6)$“
- C. Schmidt, EPJ C61 (2009) 537 „EoS at $\mu_B > 0\ (N_\tau = 4, 6)$“



Overview:

- ★ **Introduction and motivation**
  the expected QCD phase diagram
- ★ **Lattice QCD at high temperature:**
  analyzing the critical behavior
- ★ **Lattice QCD at high temperature <u>and nonzero density</u>**
  Hadronic fluctuations and the critical point
- ★ **Summary**

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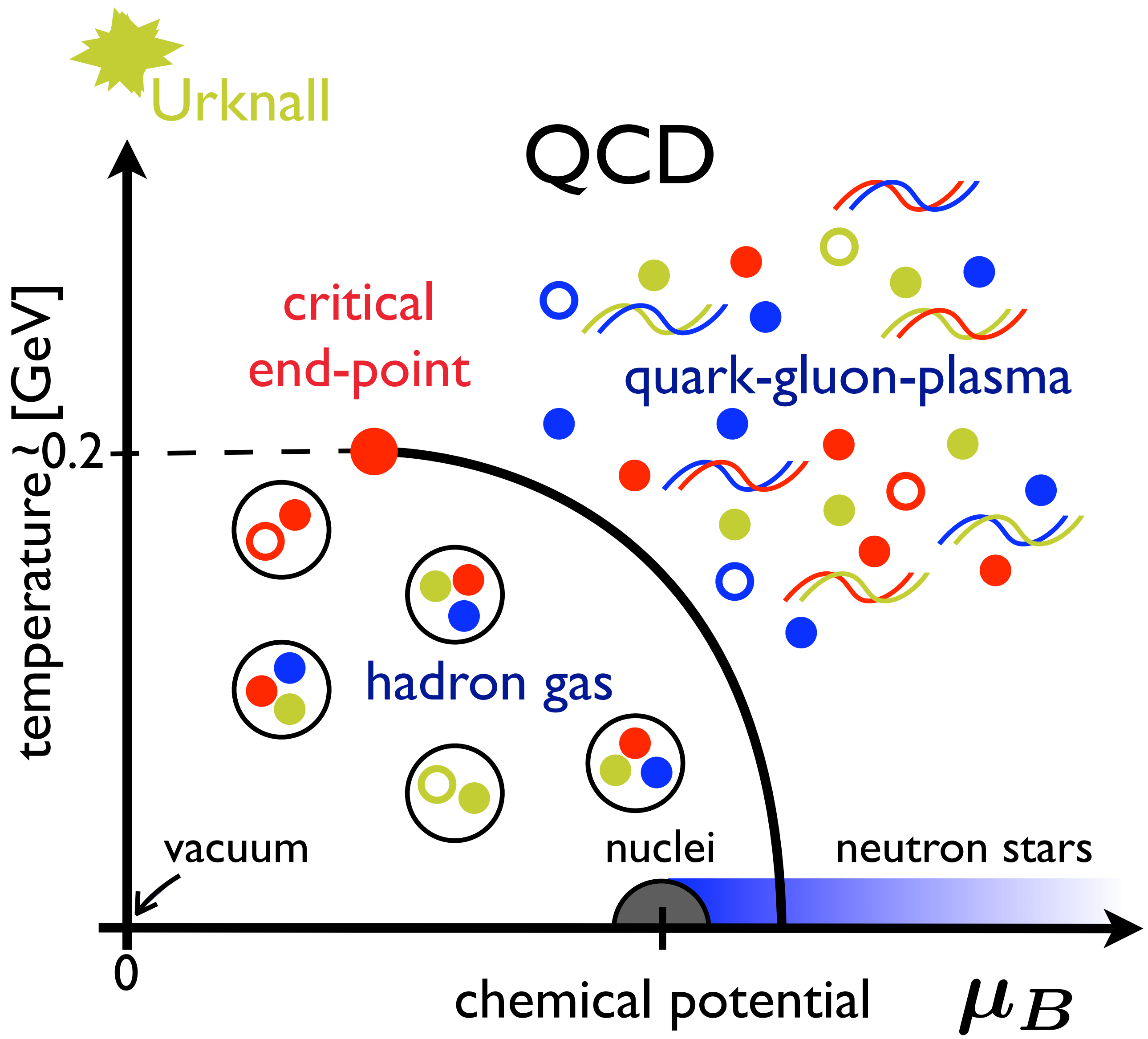

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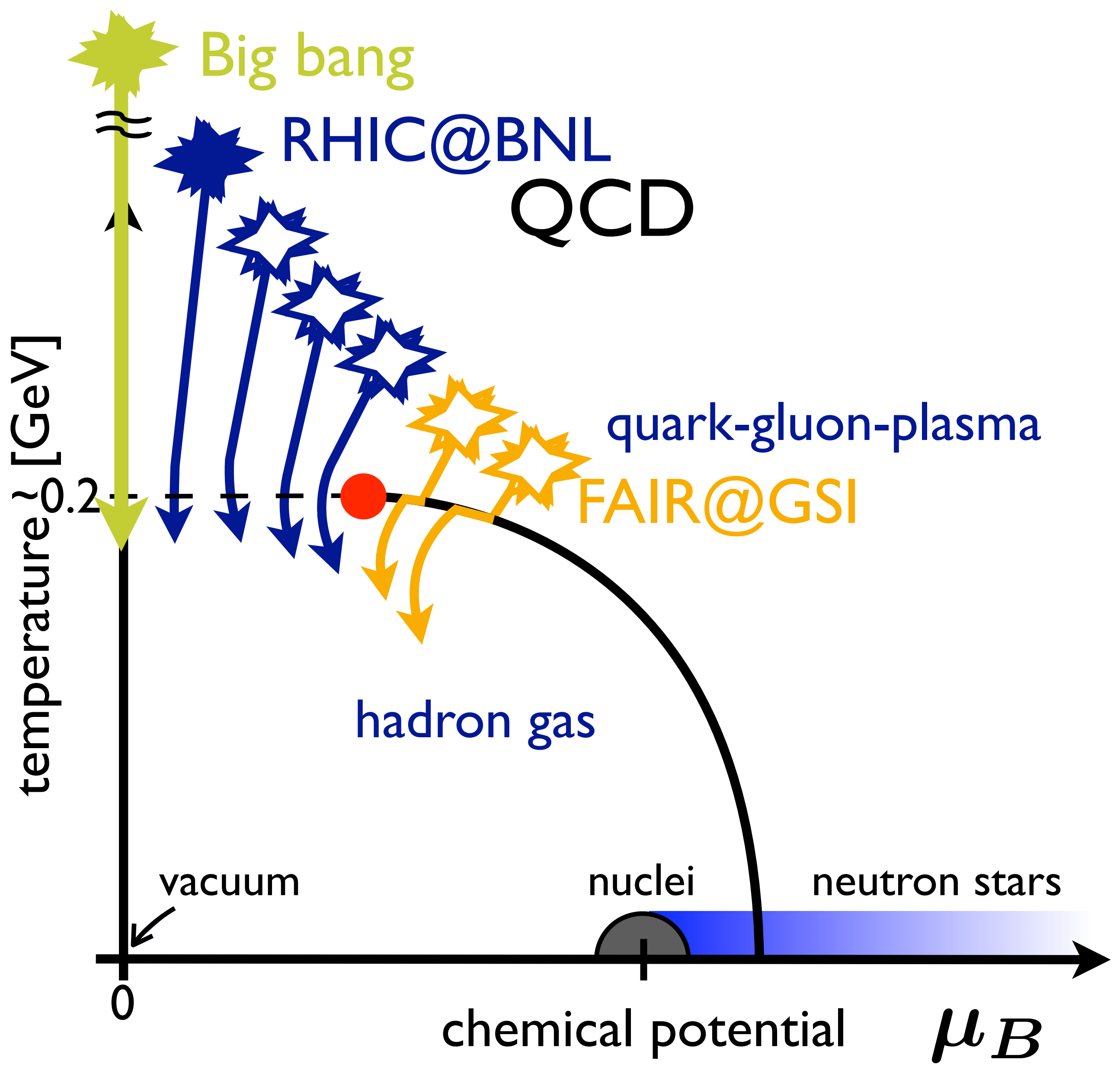


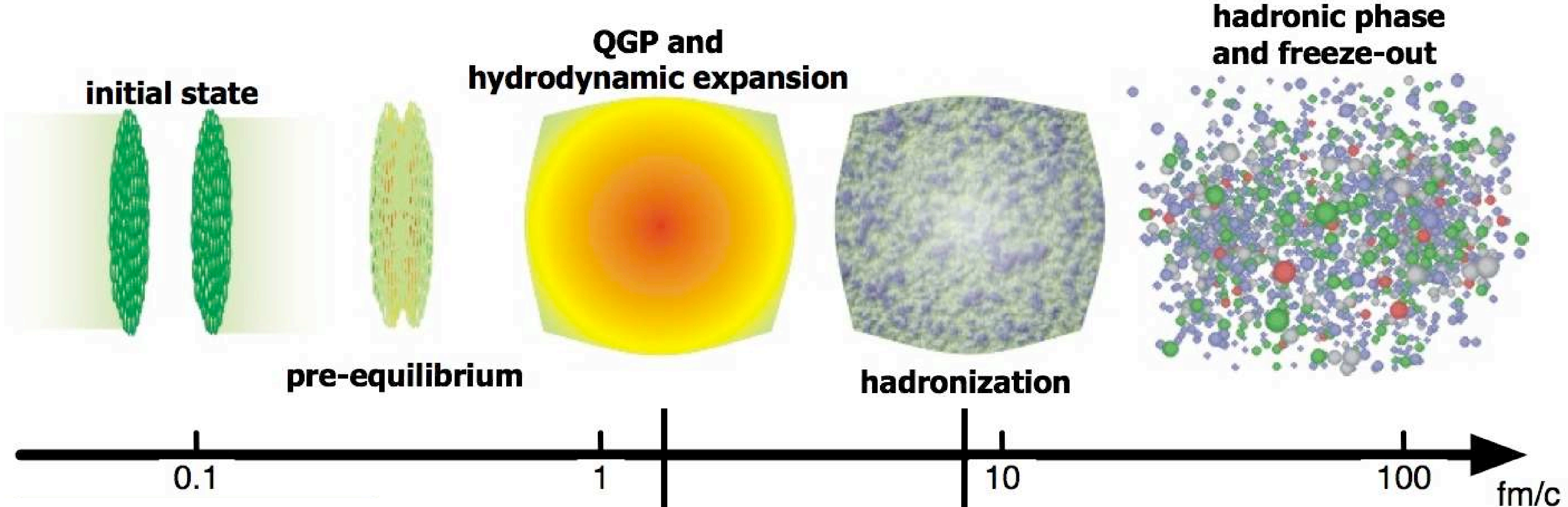
Places to find QGP ?

- In the early universe
- In the laboratory: RHIC, LHC, FAIR
- In the cores of neutron stars ?

Analyze critical behavior close to the critical end-point!

QGP and HIC

(schematic picture)



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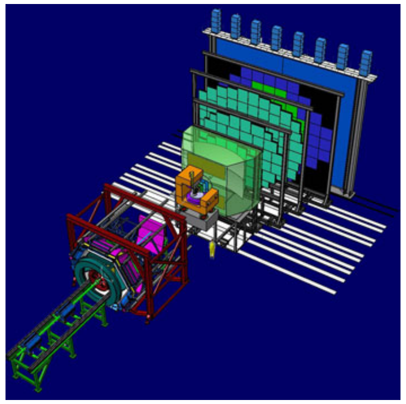

Expansion:
hydrodynamic description
needs equation of state

Hadronization:
dependent on details of the
equation of state and the nature
of the QCD transition

Goal:
understand the
observed tracks in the
detector

The little toolbox for puzzle fans

hadron resonance gas

$$\ln Z(T,V,\mu_B,\mu_S,\mu_Q) = \sum_{i\in hadrons} \ln Z_{m_i}(T,V,\mu_B,\mu_S,\mu_Q)$$

$$\sum_{i\in mesons} \ln Z^B_{m_i}(T,V,\mu_S,\mu_Q) + \sum_{i\in baryons} \ln Z^F_{m_i}(T,V,\mu_B,\mu_S,\mu_Q)$$

baryons:

$$\frac{p_i}{T^4} = \frac{d_i}{\pi^2}\left(\frac{m_i}{T}\right)^2 \sum_{l=1}^{\infty}(+1)^{l+1} l^{-2} K_2(lm_i/T) \cosh(lS_i\mu_S/T + lQ_i\mu_Q/T)$$

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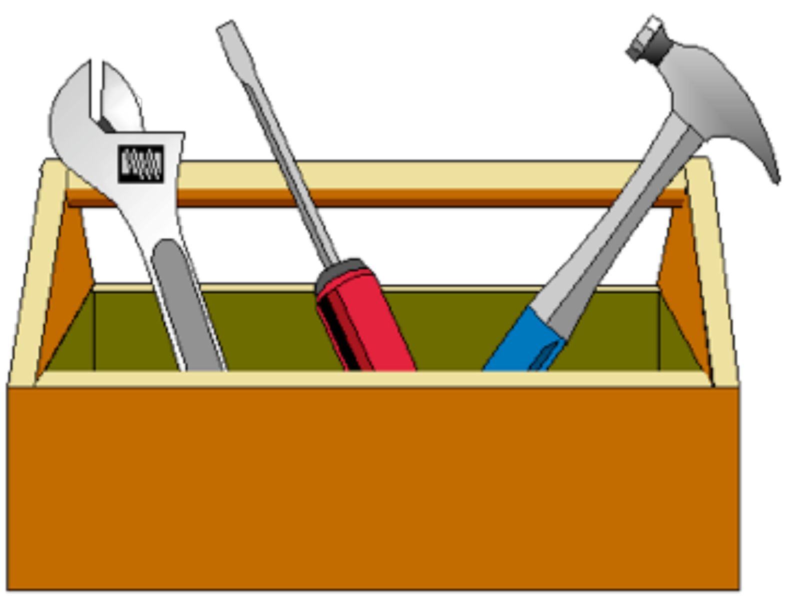
universal scaling

$$f_s(t,h,\dots) = b^{-d} f_s(b^{y_t}t, b^{y_h}h,\dots)$$



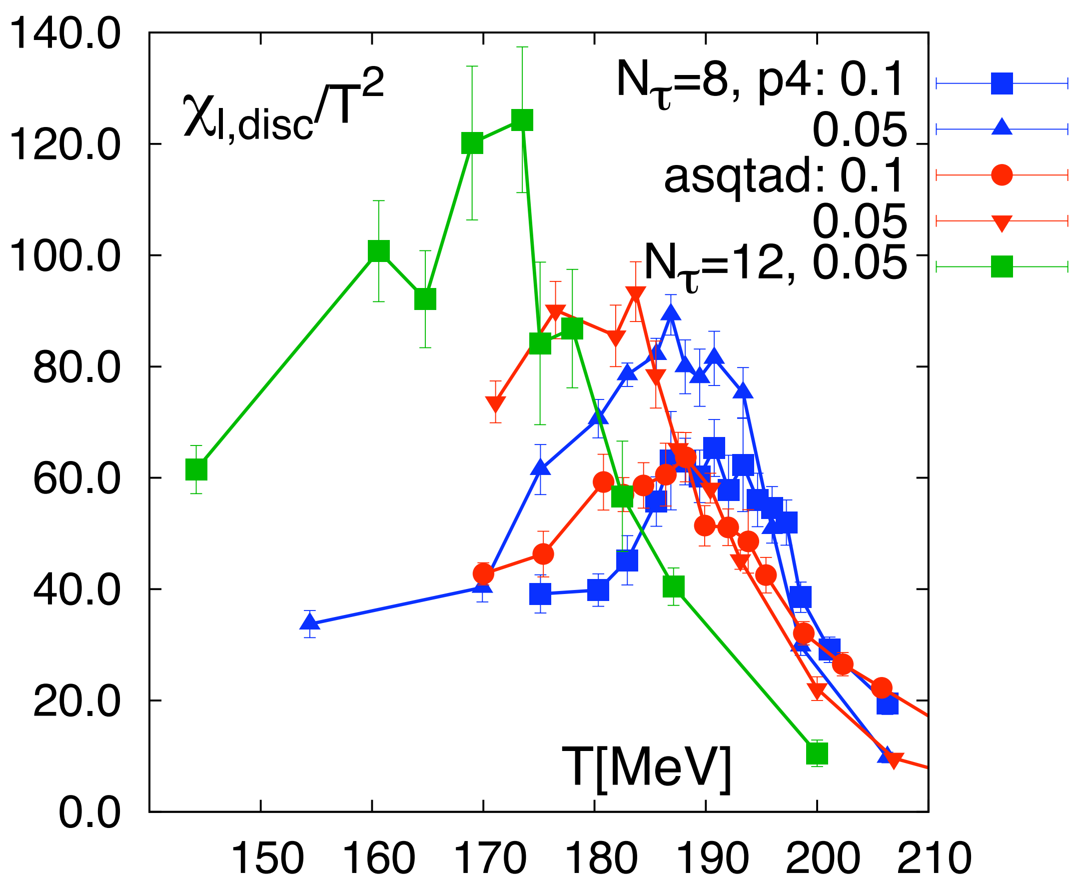
perturbation theory ($\mathcal{O}(g^6[\ln(1/g) + \mathrm{const.}])$)

free quark gas ($\mathcal{O}(g^0)$)

$$\frac{p}{T^4} = \frac{8\pi^2}{45} + \sum_{f=u,d,\cdots}\left[\frac{7\pi^2}{60} + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\mu_f}{T}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{4\pi^2}\left(\frac{\mu_f}{T}\right)^4\right]$$

The critical temperature at $\mu_B = 0$

disconnected chiral susceptibility



HotQCD preliminary

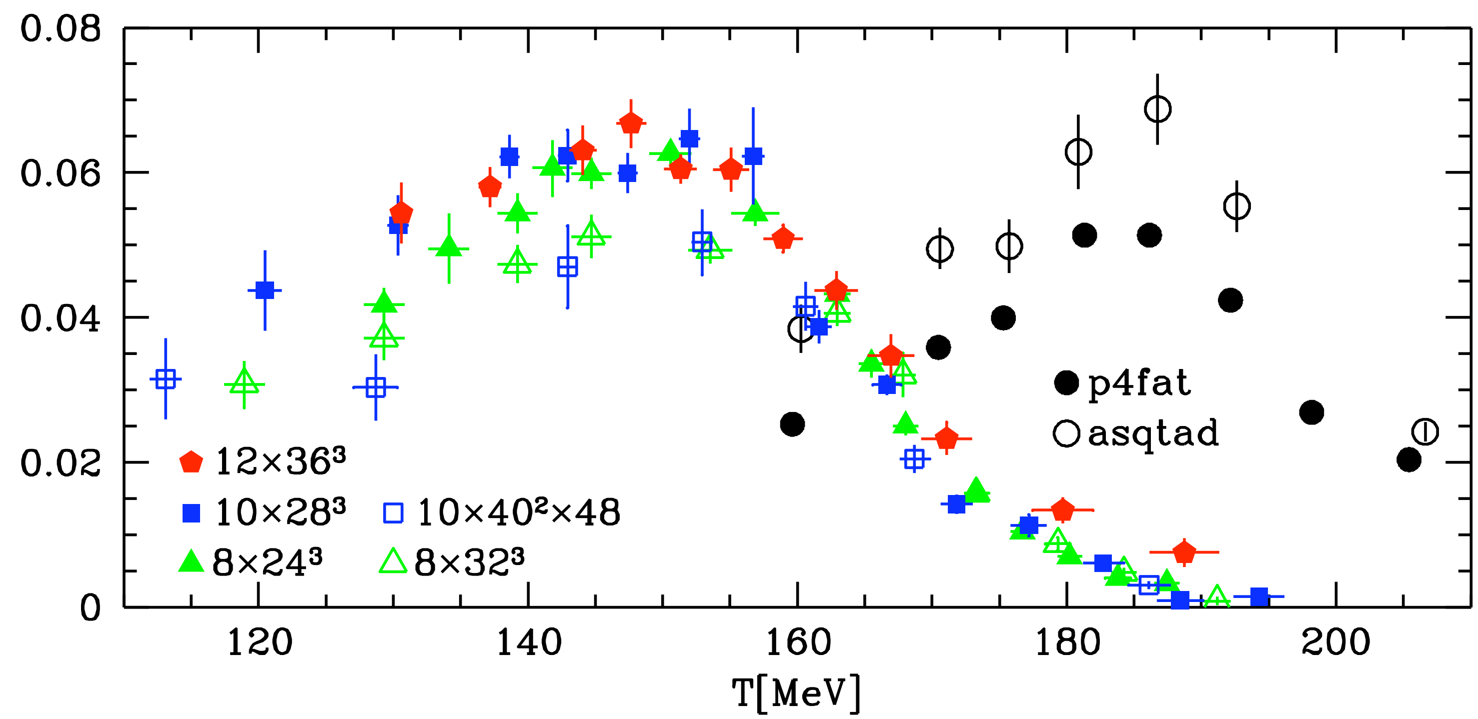
$N_\tau = 8, m_l/m_s = 1/20$:

$T_c \approx (180 - 190)$ MeV

comparing „apples and oranges“

f_K-scale $m_l/m_s = 1/26$

r_0-scale $m_l/m_s = 1/10$



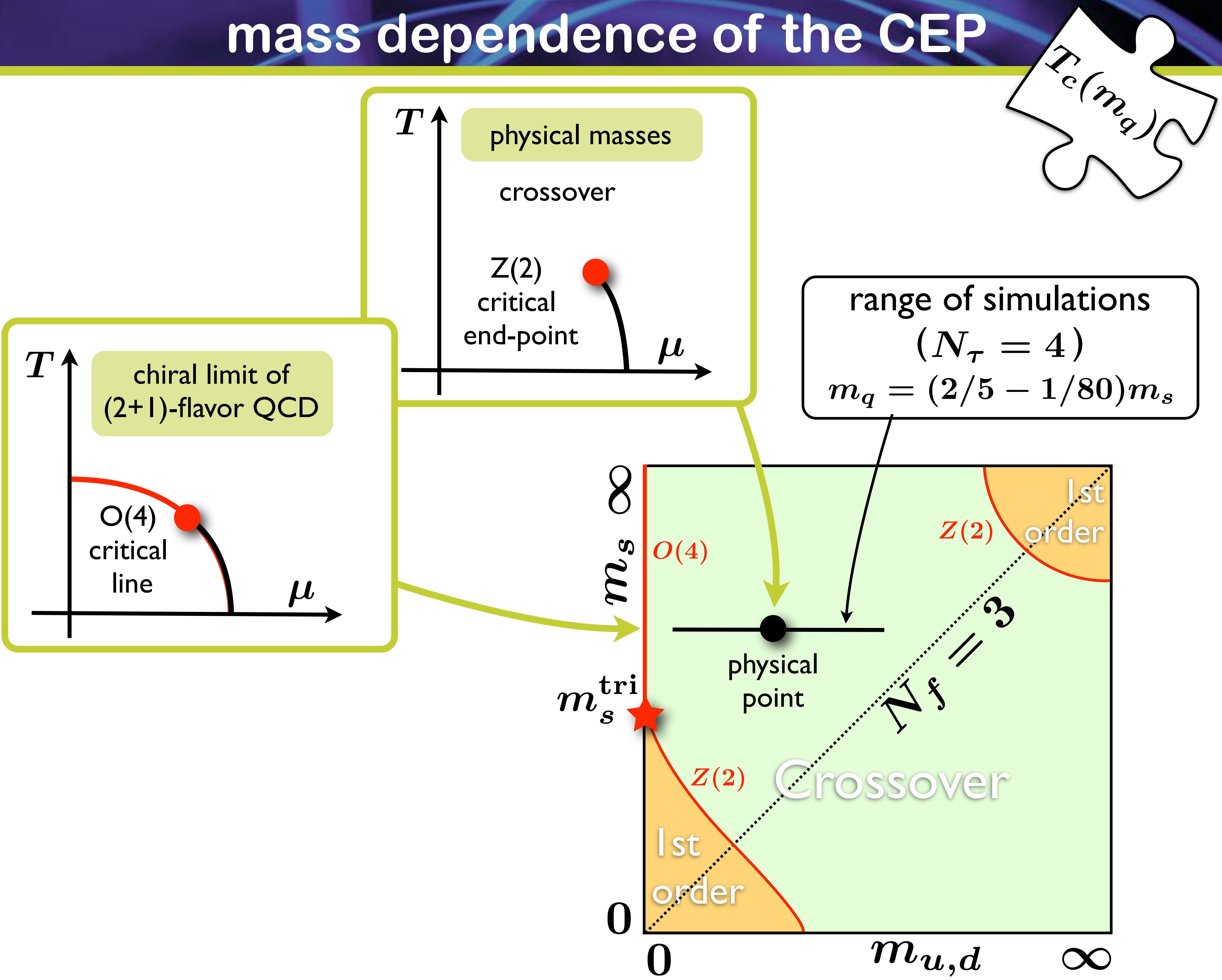
Y.Aoki et al., JHEP 0906 (2009) 088

$T_c \approx 146(2)(3)$

→ suggests continuum extrapolated value < 170 MeV

→ need even finer lattices or more improved actions (HISQ-fermions)

mass dependence of the CEP



Universal scaling in QCD (Nt=4)

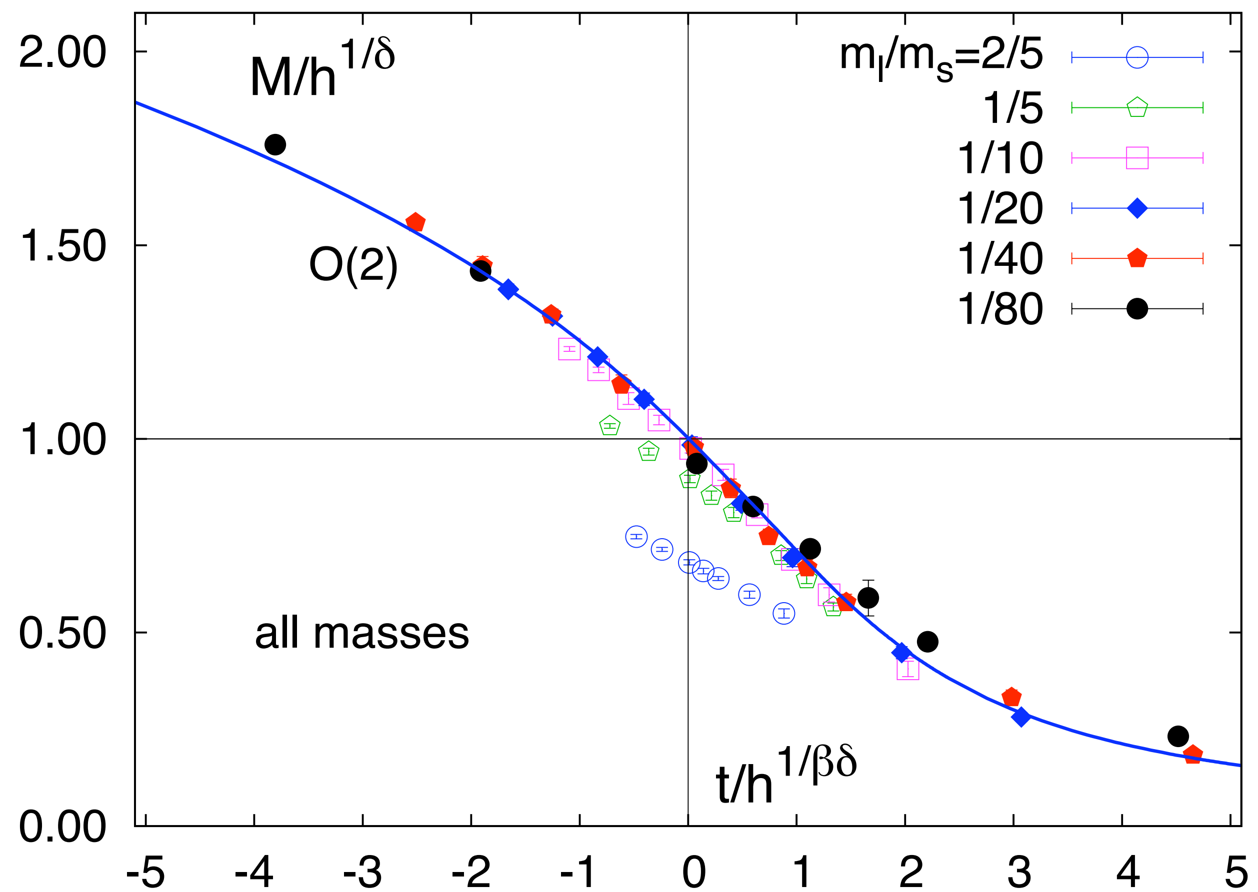
Order parameter: $M = m_s \left(\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_l - \frac{m_l}{m_s} \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_s \right) N_\tau^4$

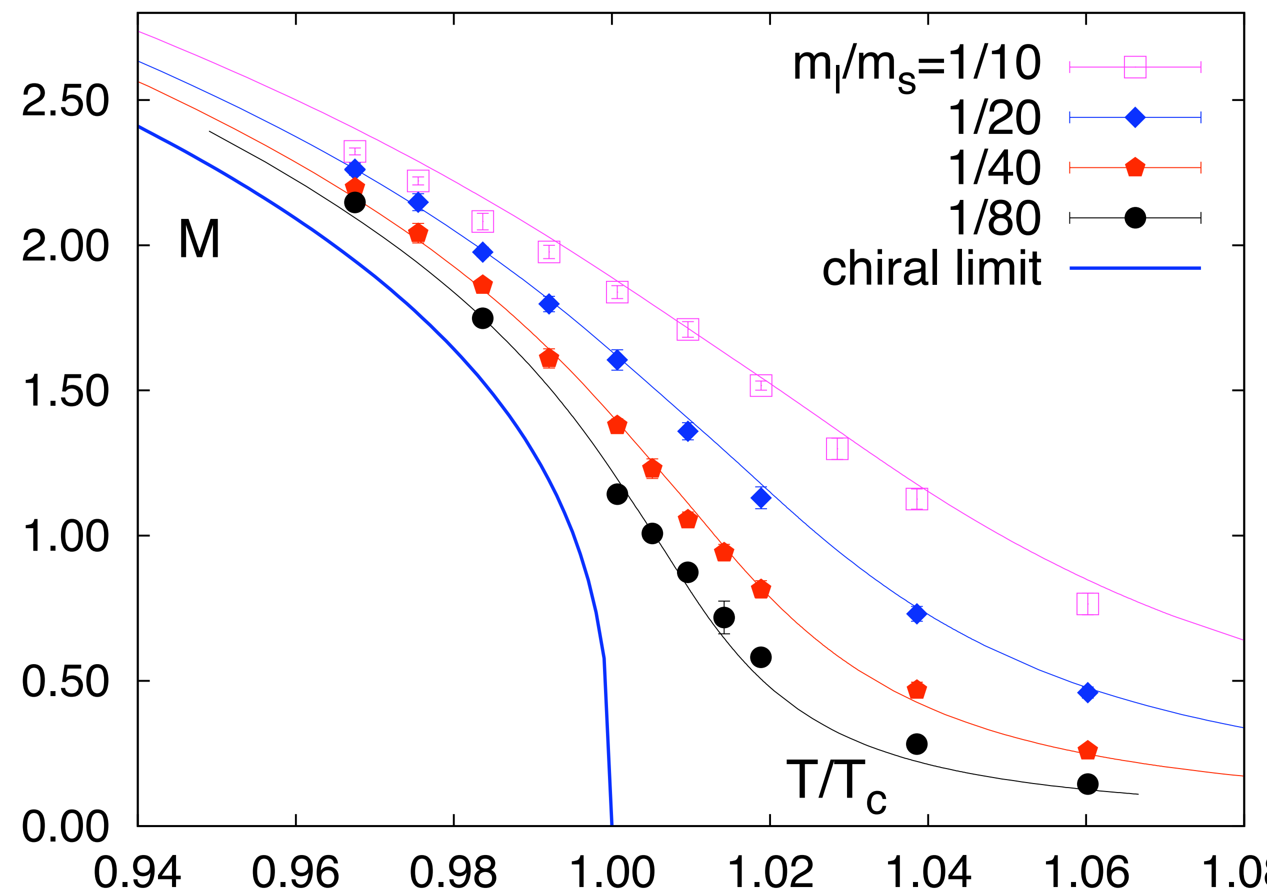
scaling fields: $t = \frac{1}{t_0} \frac{T - T_c}{T_c} \qquad h = \frac{1}{h_0} \frac{m_l}{m_s}$

non-universal constants, determined by fits to the data

magnetic EoS: $M = h^{1/\delta} f_G(t/h^{1/\beta\delta})$

universal scaling function





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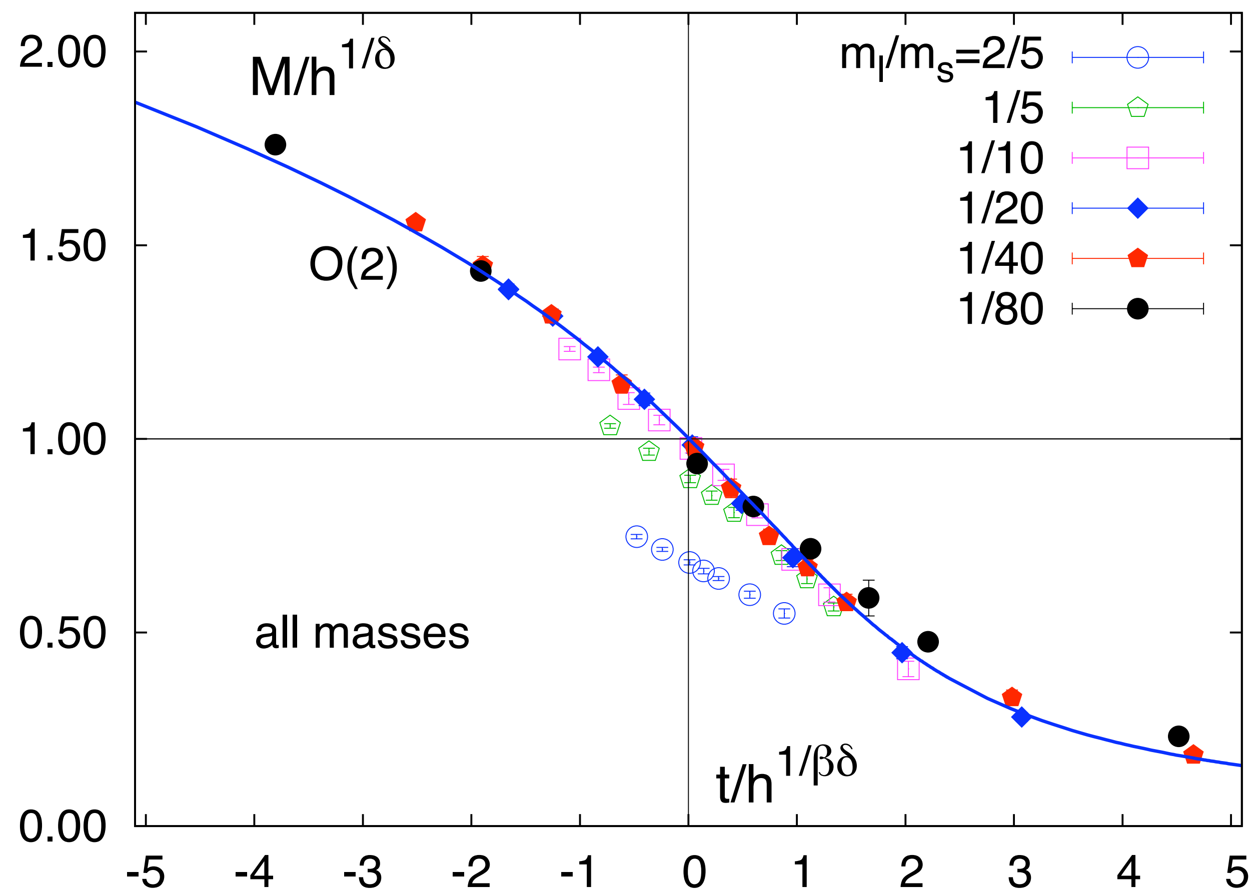

$$z_0 = h_0^{1/\beta\delta}/t_0 \approx 8.0(8)$$

unique combination

$$\frac{T_p(m_l/m_s) - T_c}{T_c} = \frac{z_p}{z_0} (m_l/m_s)^{1/\beta\delta}$$

mass dependence of the transition temperature

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Lattice QCD at nonzero density (I)

- direct MC-simulations for $\mu > 0$ not possible

$$Z(V,T,\mu) = \int \mathcal{D}A\mathcal{D}\psi\mathcal{D}\bar{\psi}\ \exp\{S_F(A,\psi,\bar{\psi}) - \beta S_G(A)\}$$

$$= \int \mathcal{D}A\ \det[M](A,\mu)\exp\{-\beta S_G(A)\}$$

complex for $\mu > 0$

Interpretation as probability is necessary for MC-Integration

$\longrightarrow$ perform a Taylor expansion around $\mu = 0$

Lattice QCD at nonzero density (I)

- Taylor-expansion of the pressure

$$\frac{p}{T^4} = \frac{1}{VT^3}\ln Z(V,T,\mu_u,\mu_d,\mu_s) = \sum_{i,j,k} c^{u,d,s}_{i,j,k}\left(\frac{\mu_u}{T}\right)^i\left(\frac{\mu_d}{T}\right)^j\left(\frac{\mu_s}{T}\right)^k$$

- calculate Taylor coefficients at fixed temperature

- no sign-problem: all simulations at $\mu = 0$

$$c^{u,d,s}_{i,j,k} \equiv \frac{1}{i!j!k!}\frac{1}{VT^3} \cdot \left.\frac{\partial^i\partial^j\partial^k \ln Z}{\partial(\frac{\mu_u}{T})^i\partial(\frac{\mu_d}{T})^j\partial(\frac{\mu_s}{T})^k}\right|_{\mu_{u,d,s}=0}$$

- method is conceptually easy

Allton *et al.*, PRD66:074507,2002;
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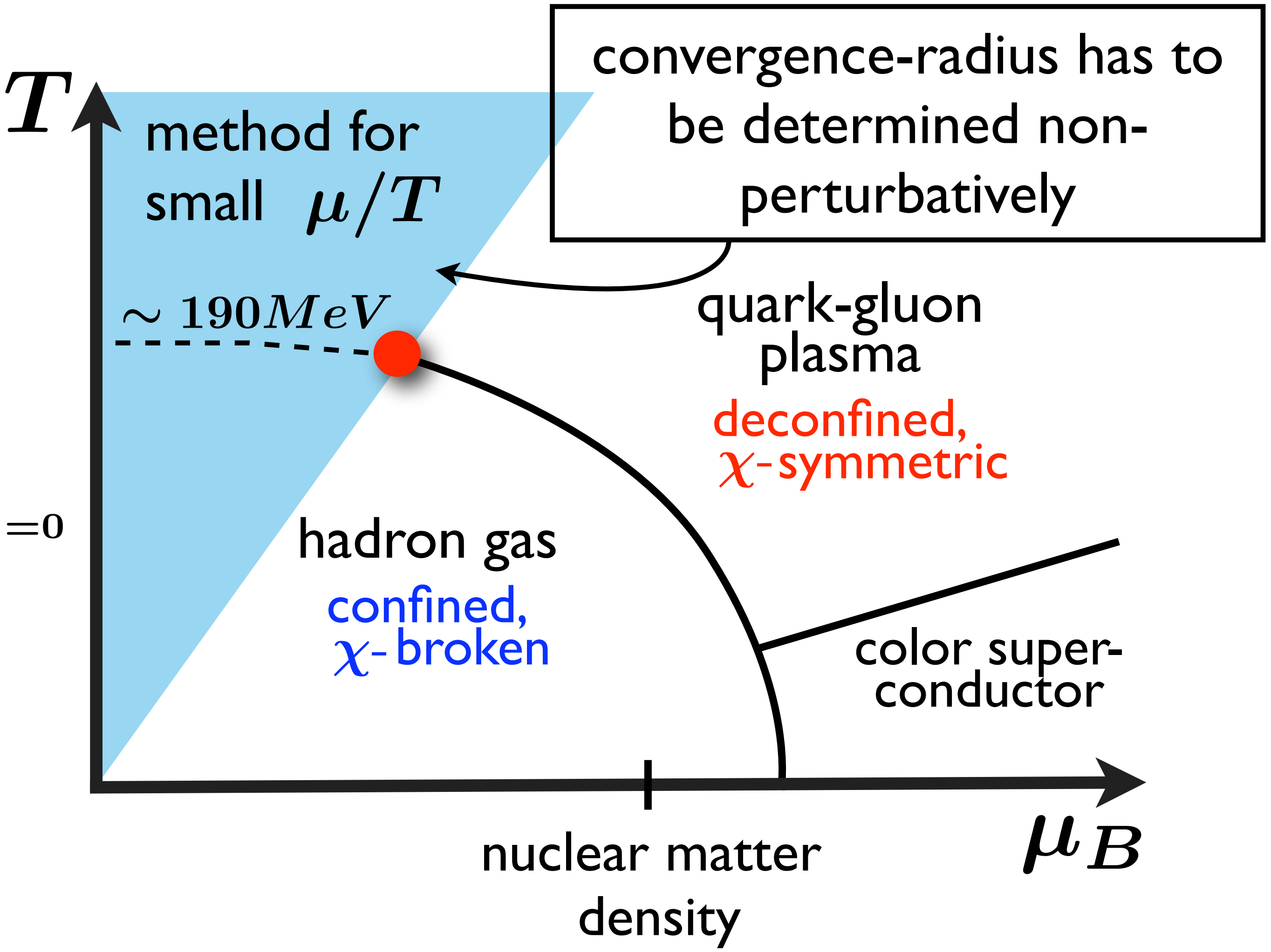

Hadronic fluktuations (I)

Quadratic fluctuations (c_2)

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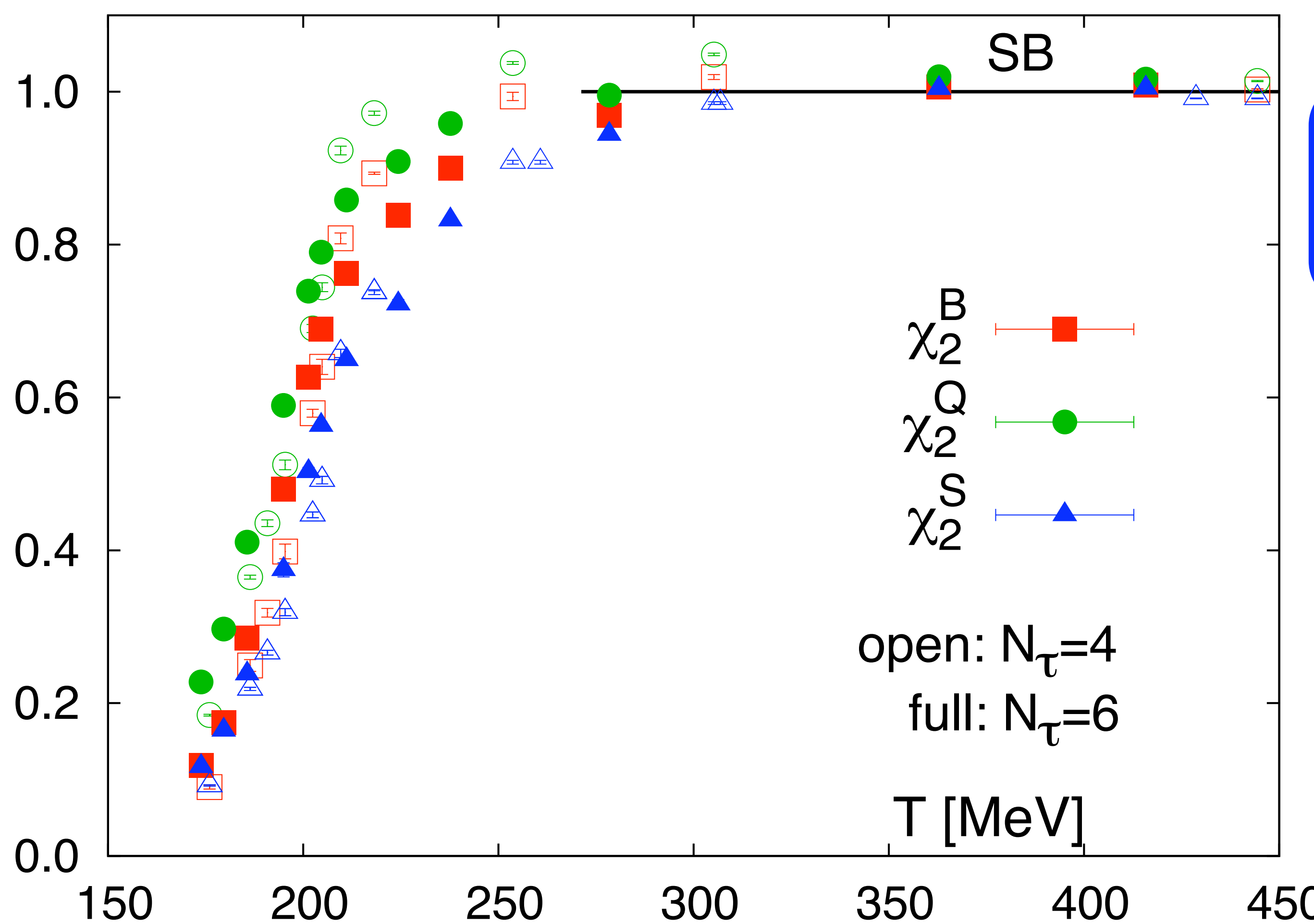
$$X = B, Q, S$$



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conserved charges carried by light quarks

- lattice effects are small
- agreement with the free quark gas for $T > 1.5T_c$

$T \approx T_c$

temperature dependence dominated by the regular part of the free energy: **similar to energy density**

$$\chi^2_X \propto |T - T_c|^{1-\alpha} + \text{regular}$$

$$\alpha \approx -0.25$$

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Quartic fluctuations (c_4)

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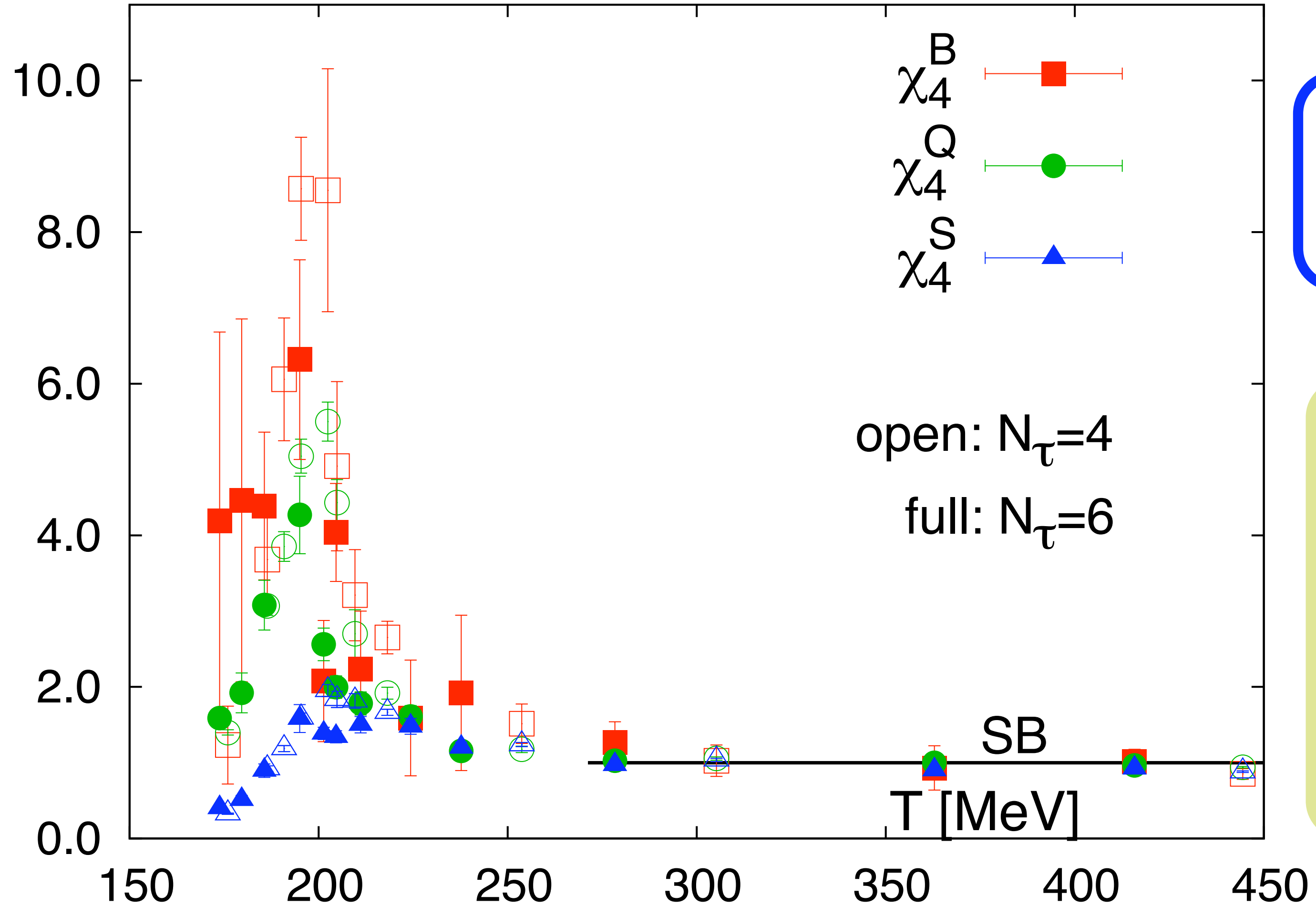

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critical behavior:
similar to specific heat

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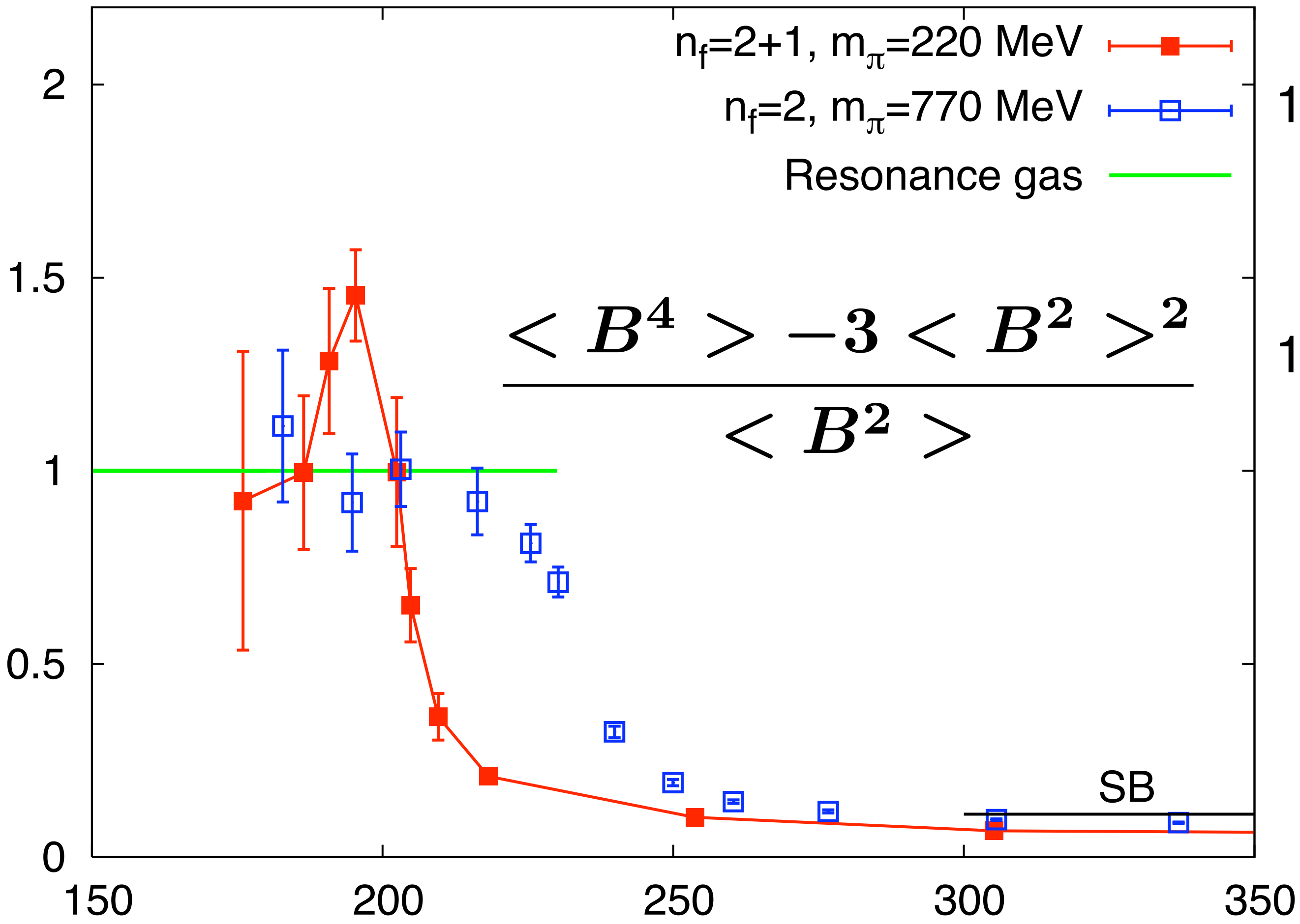
Hadronic fluctuations (II)

B-Kurtosis (c_4/c_2)

Lattice



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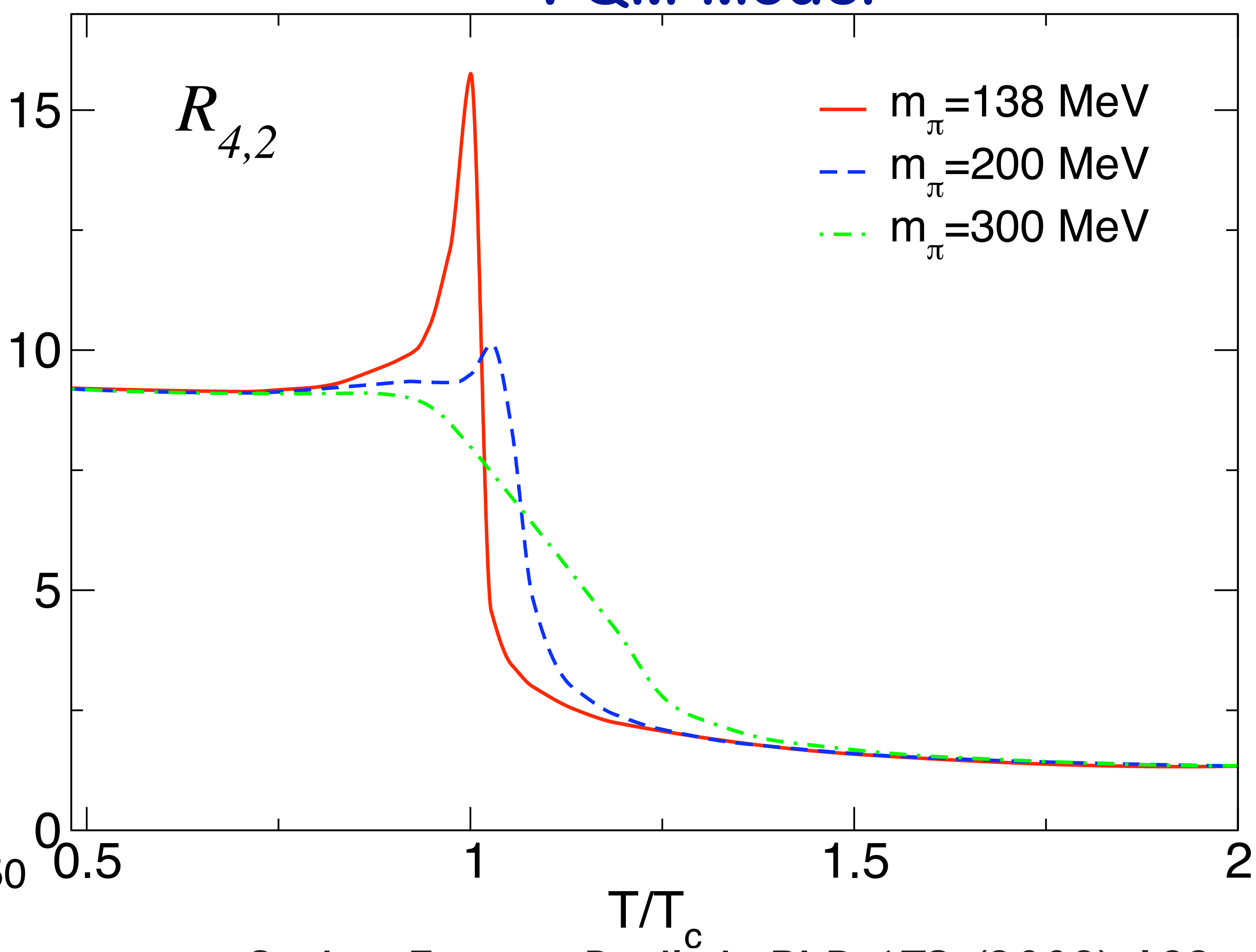
PQM-Model



Stokic, Friman, Redlich, PLB 673 (2009) 192.

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$\longrightarrow$ **good experimental observable?**

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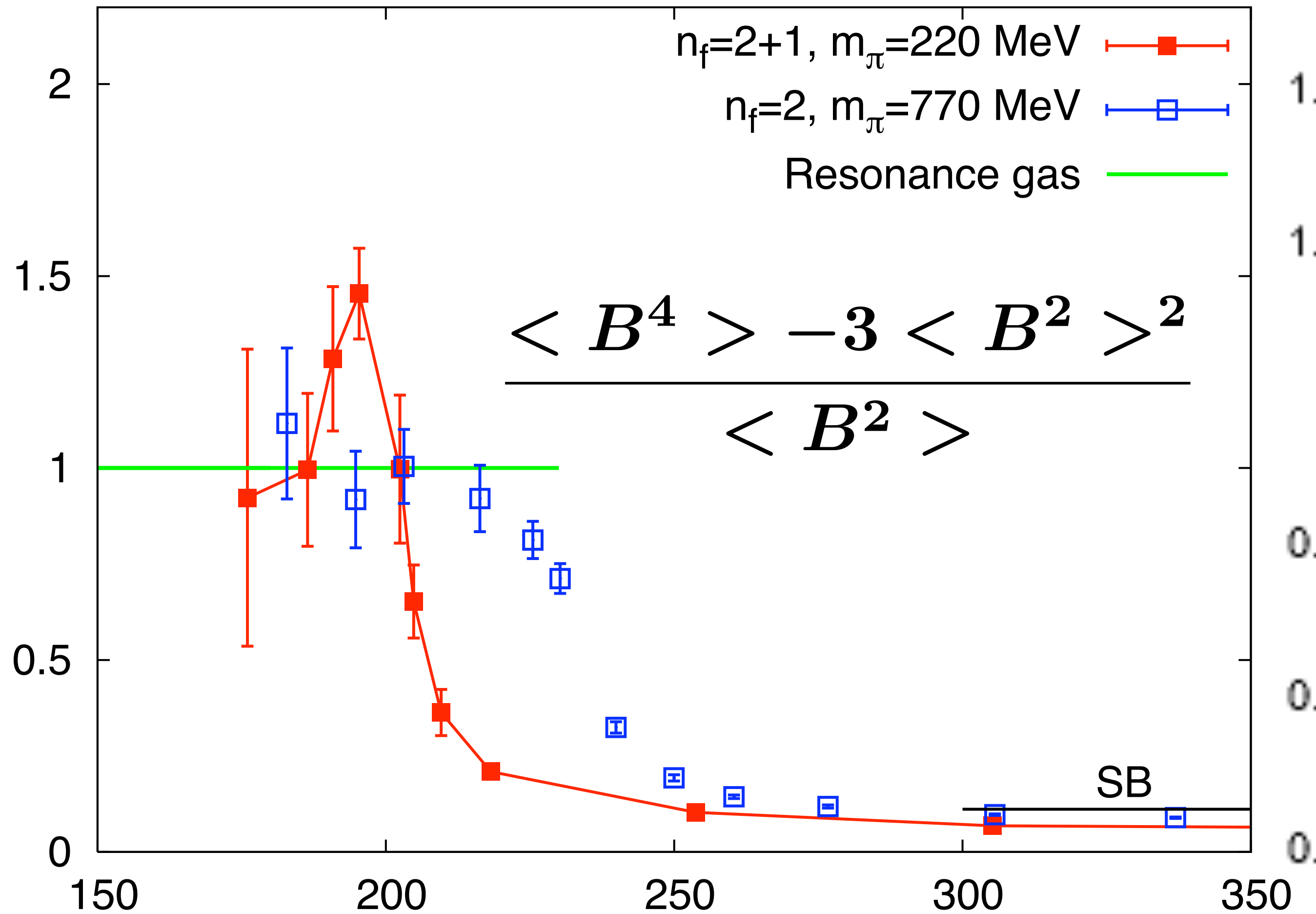

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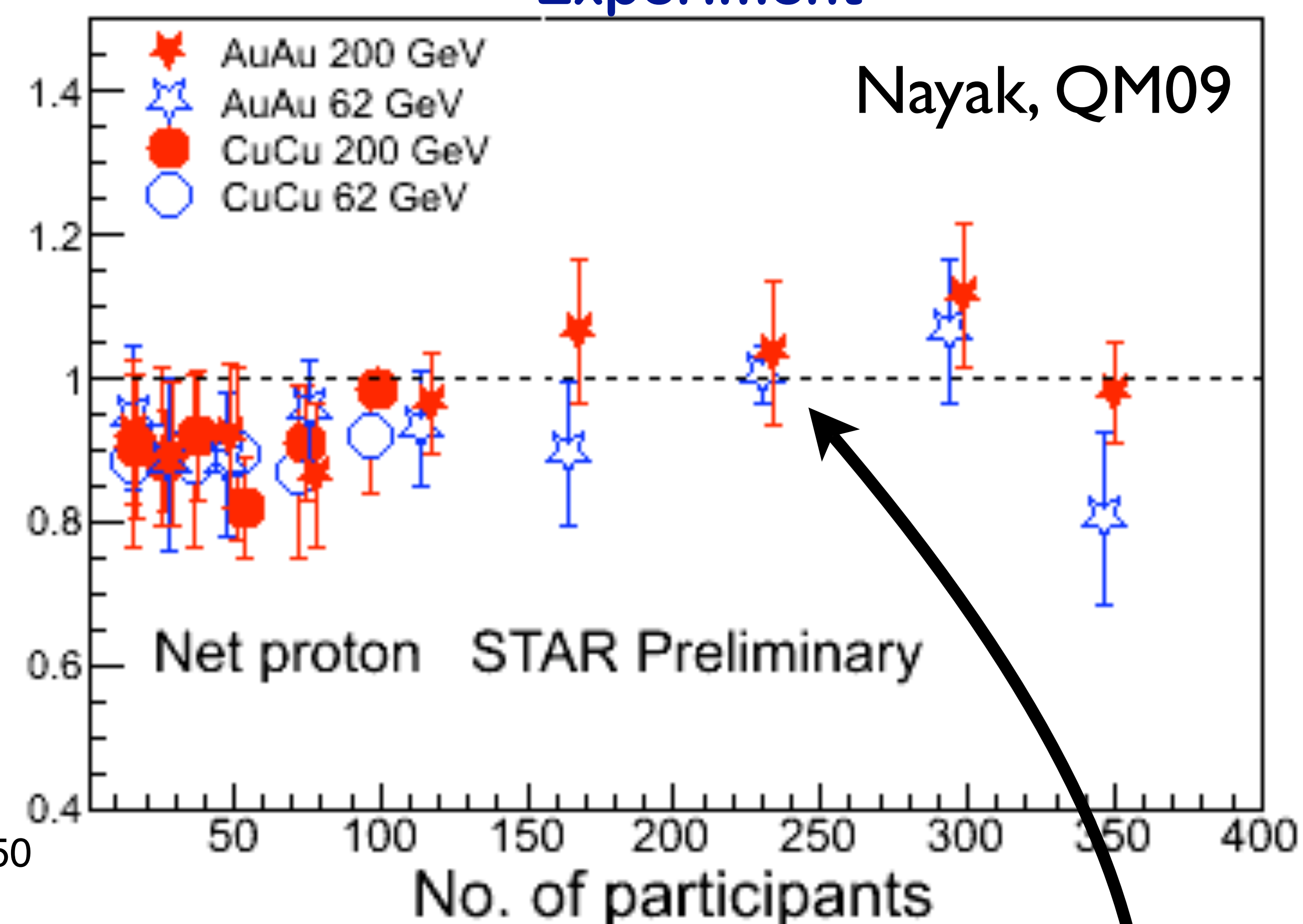
Experiment



→ fluctuations increase over resonance gas level?

→ **good experimental observable?**

only Gaussian fluctuations in protons observed

chiraler Limes:

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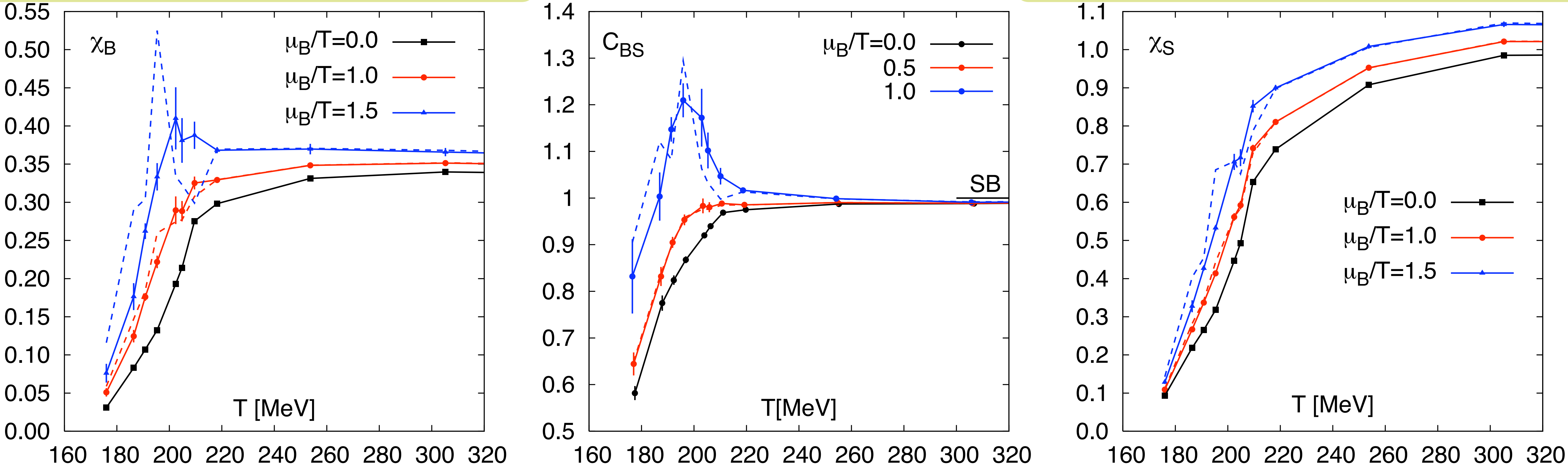
Hadronic fluctuations (III)

at $\mu_B > 0 \ (\mu_S = \mu_Q = 0)$

baryon number fluctuations | baryon number - strangeness correlations | strangeness fluctuations

$$\chi_B = 2c_2^B + 12c_4^B\left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^2 + \cdots$$

$$\chi_S = 2c_{0,2}^{B,S} + 2c_{2,2}^{B,S}\left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^2 + \cdots$$



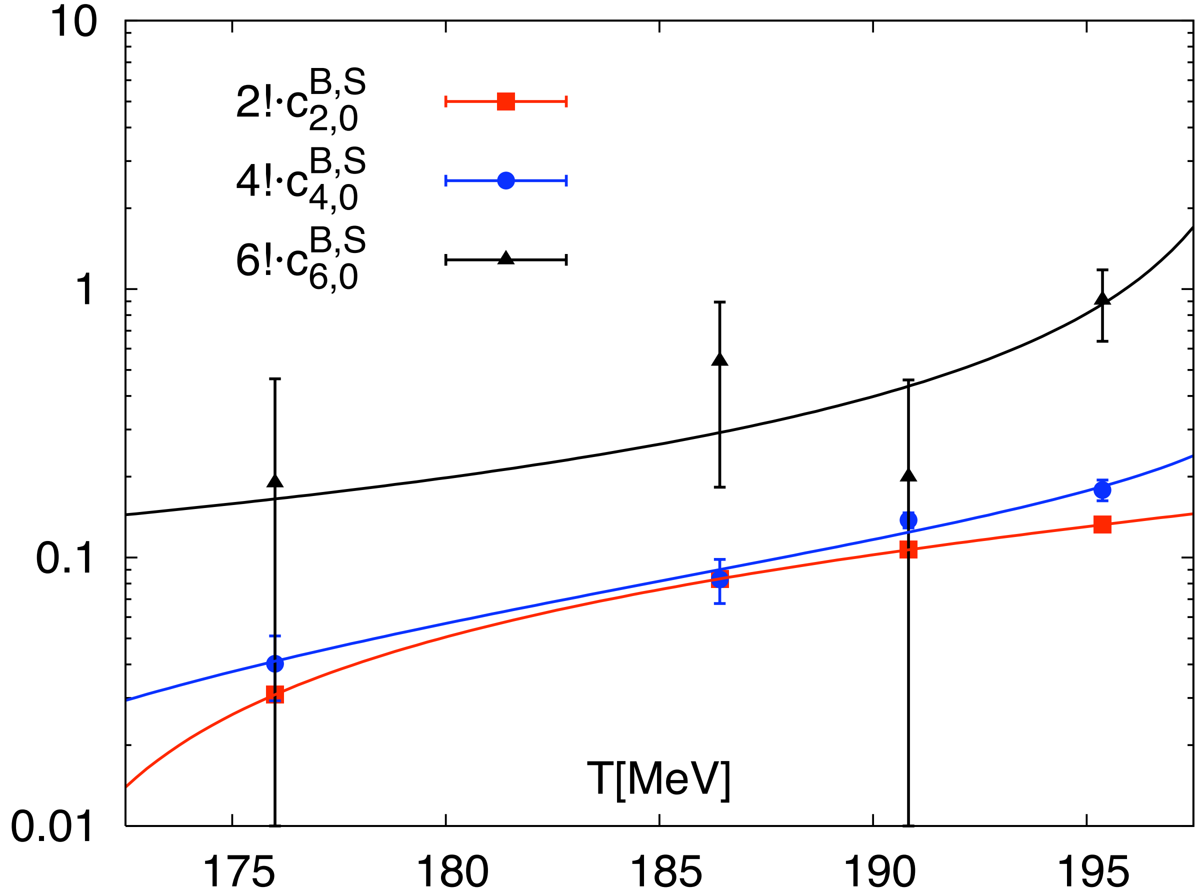
$$C_{BS} = \frac{c_{1,1}^{B,S} + 3c_{3,1}^{B,S}\left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^2 + \cdots}{\chi_S\left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)}$$

→ LO introduces a peak in the fluctuations/correlations, NLO shifts the peak towards smaller temperatures

→ truncation errors become large at $\mu_B/T \gtrsim 1.5$

The critical line (chiral limit)

combined fit to c_2, c_4, c_6



scaling field (chiral limit):

$$t = \frac{T - T_c}{T_c} + \kappa \mu_B^2$$

free energy:

$$f = A_\pm |t|^{2-\alpha} + \text{regular}$$

critical line:

$$\frac{T_c(\mu_B)}{T_c(0)} = 1 - \kappa \mu_B^2$$

$$2! \cdot c^{2,0}_{B,S} \sim \mp 2A_\pm(2-\alpha)\kappa|t|^{1-\alpha} + b_2 t + c_2 \,;$$

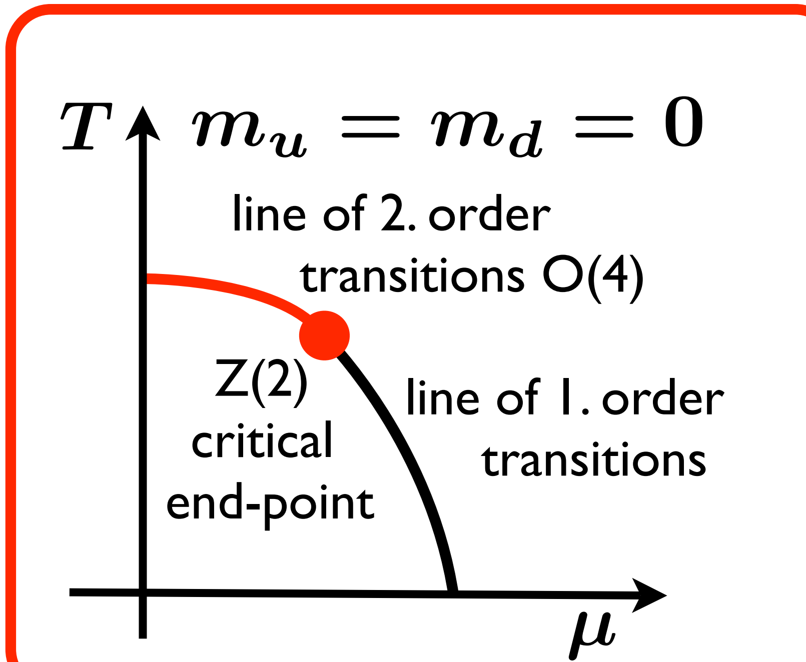
$$4! \cdot c^{4,0}_{B,S} \sim -12A_\pm(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)\kappa^2|t|^{-\alpha} + b_4 t + c_4 \,;$$

$$6! \cdot c^{6,0}_{B,S} \sim \pm 120A_\pm(2-\alpha)(1-\alpha)(-\alpha)\kappa^3|t|^{-1-\alpha} \,.$$

$\longrightarrow$ coefficients c_2, c_4 dominated by regular part

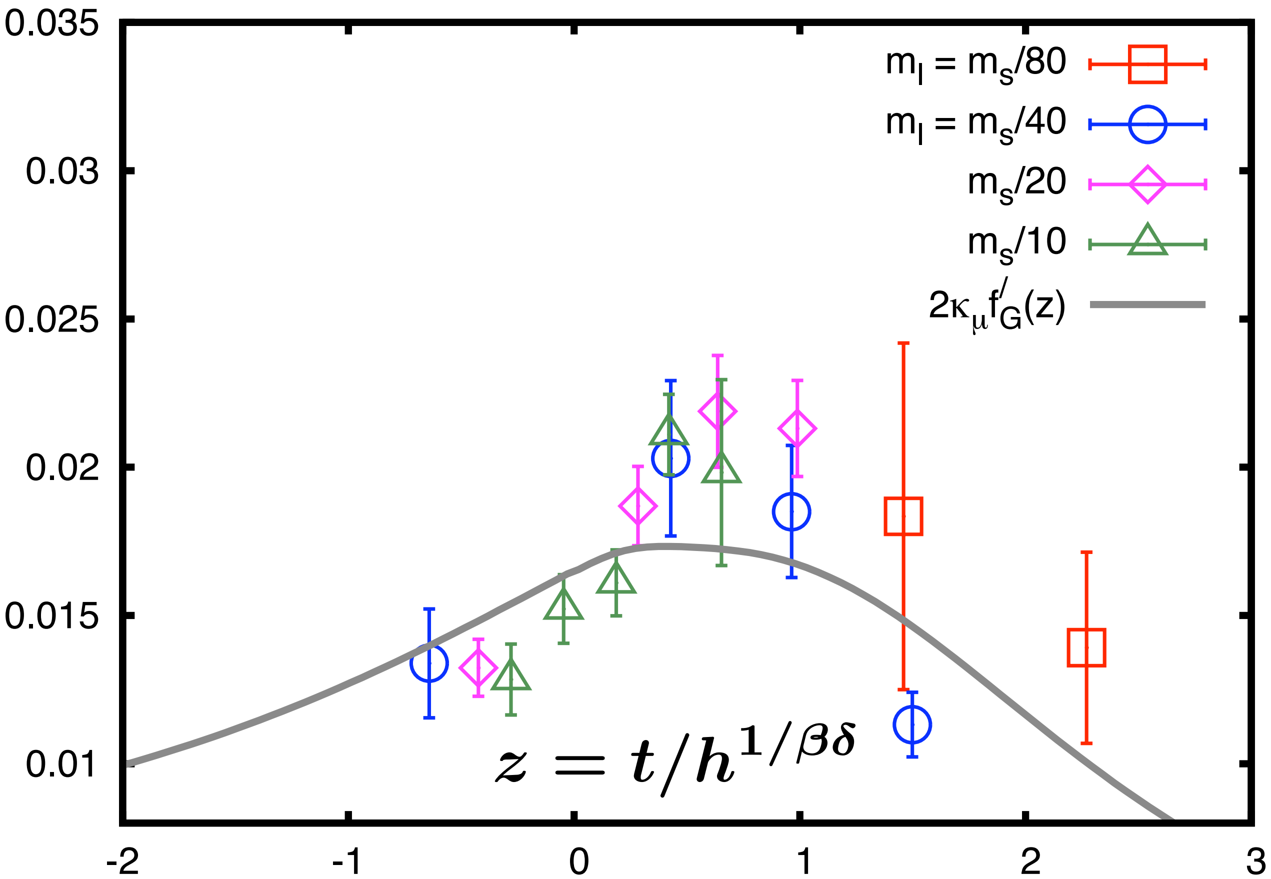
$\longrightarrow$ will work better with $c_2^{\psi\bar\psi}, \ldots$

expected phase diagram



The critical line (chiral limit)

fit to $c_2^{\bar{\psi}\psi}$



courtesy S.Mukherjee

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$$-h^{(1-\beta)/\beta\delta} c_2^{\bar{\psi}\psi} t_0 m_s T^{-1} = 2\kappa f'_G(z)$$

only one fit-parameter

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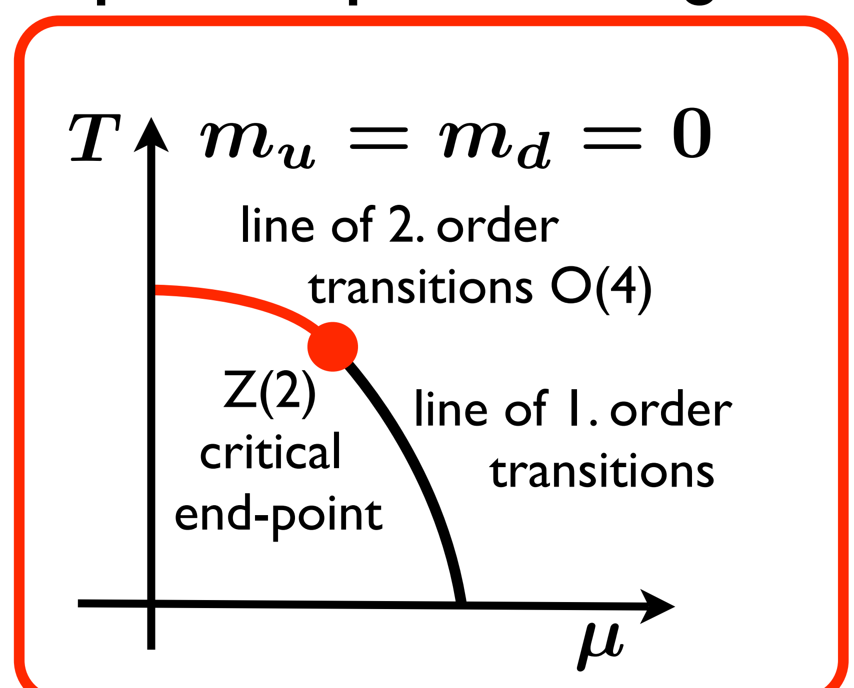


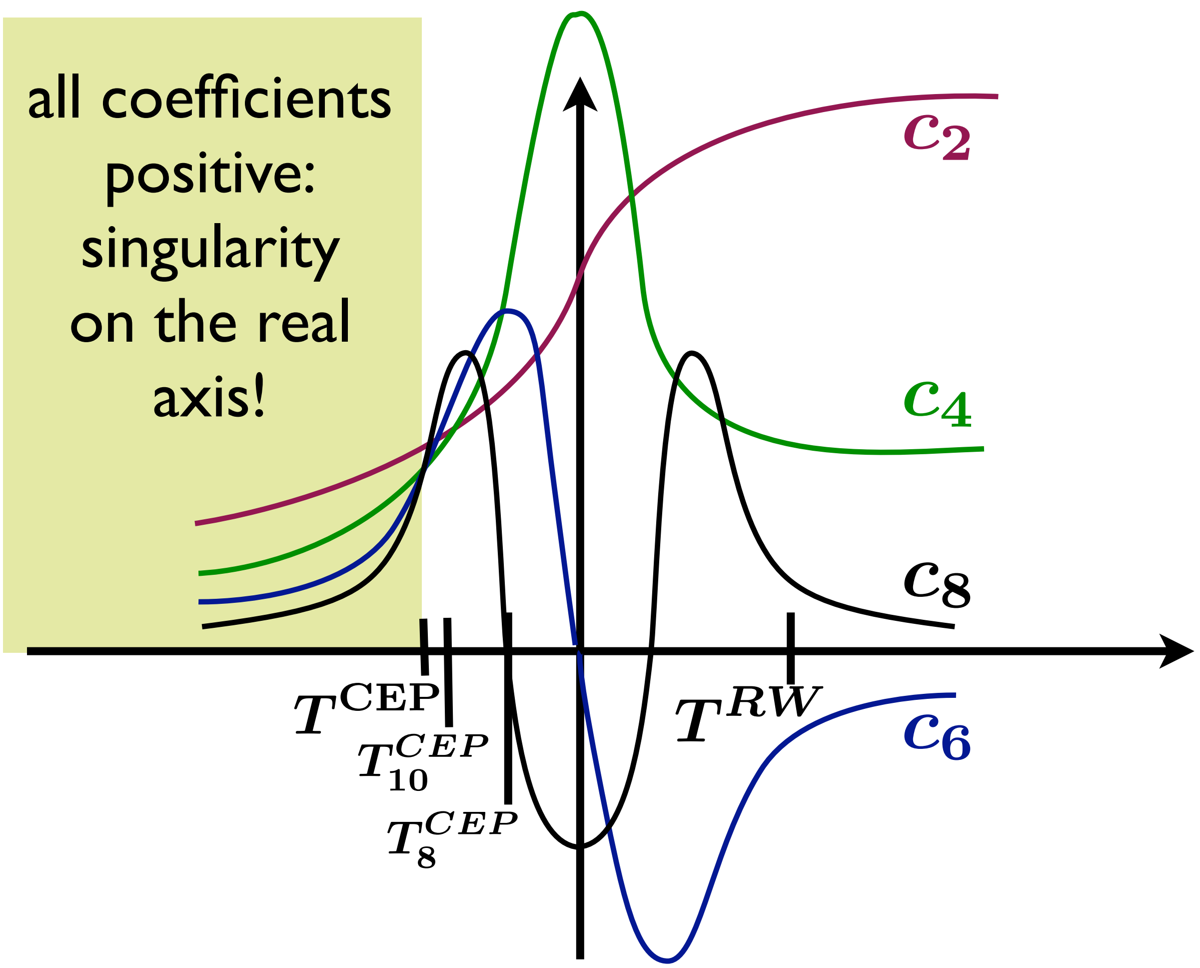
The critical endpoint (I)

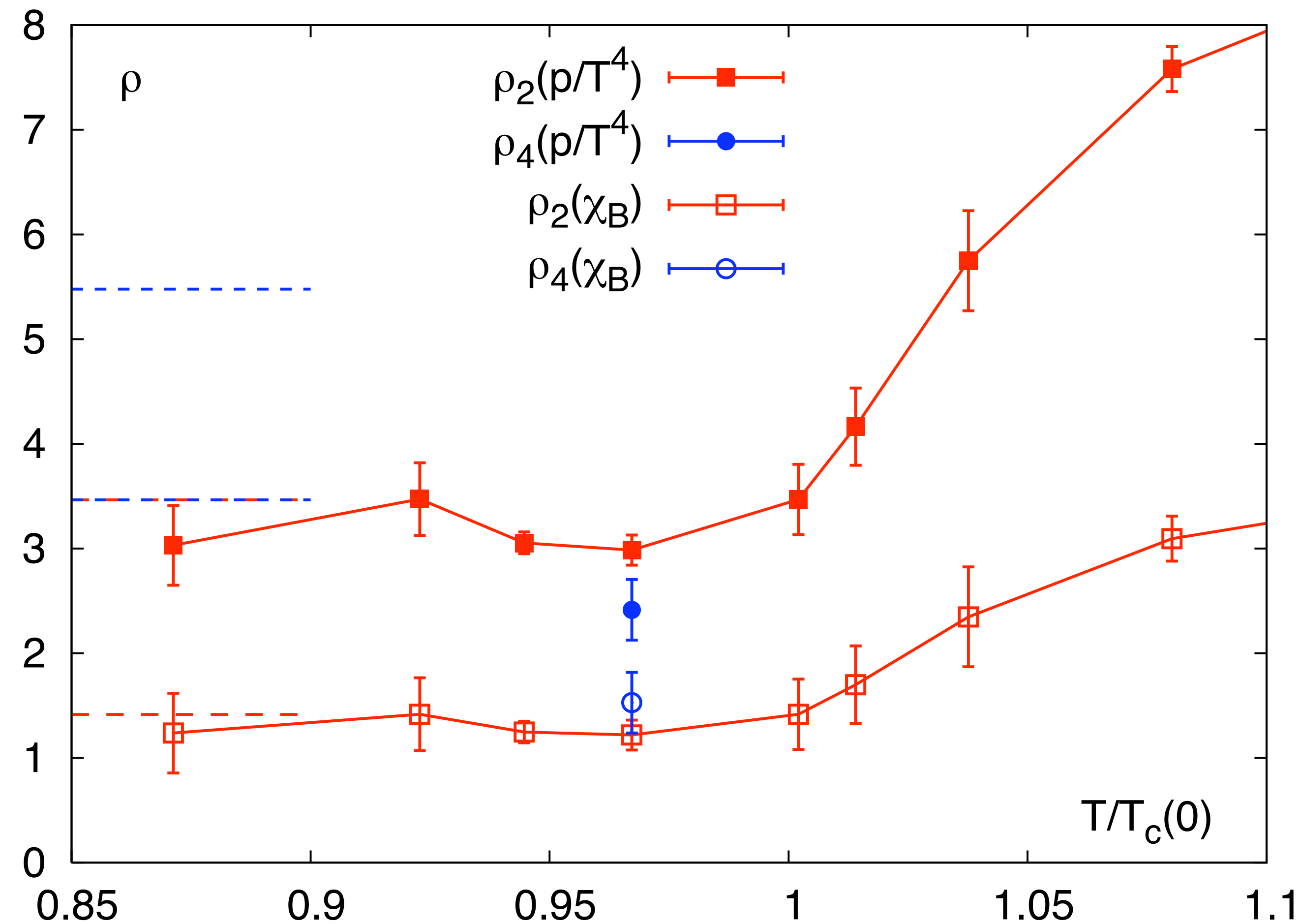
<u>method for locating of the CEP:</u>

- determine largest temperature where all coefficients are positive $\rightarrow T^{\mathrm{CEP}}$
- determine the radius of convergence at this temperature $\rightarrow \mu^{\mathrm{CEP}}$

$$p = c_0 + c_2 \left(\mu_B/T\right)^2 + c_4 \left(\mu_B/T\right)^4 + \cdots$$

$$\chi_B = 2c_2 + 12c_4 \left(\mu_B/T\right)^2 + 30c_6 \left(\mu_B/T\right)^4 + \cdots$$





first non-trivial estimate of T^{CEP} by c_8
second non-trivial estimate of T^{CEP} by c_{10}

$$\rho_n(p) = \sqrt{c_n/c_{n+2}}$$

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The critical endpoint (II)

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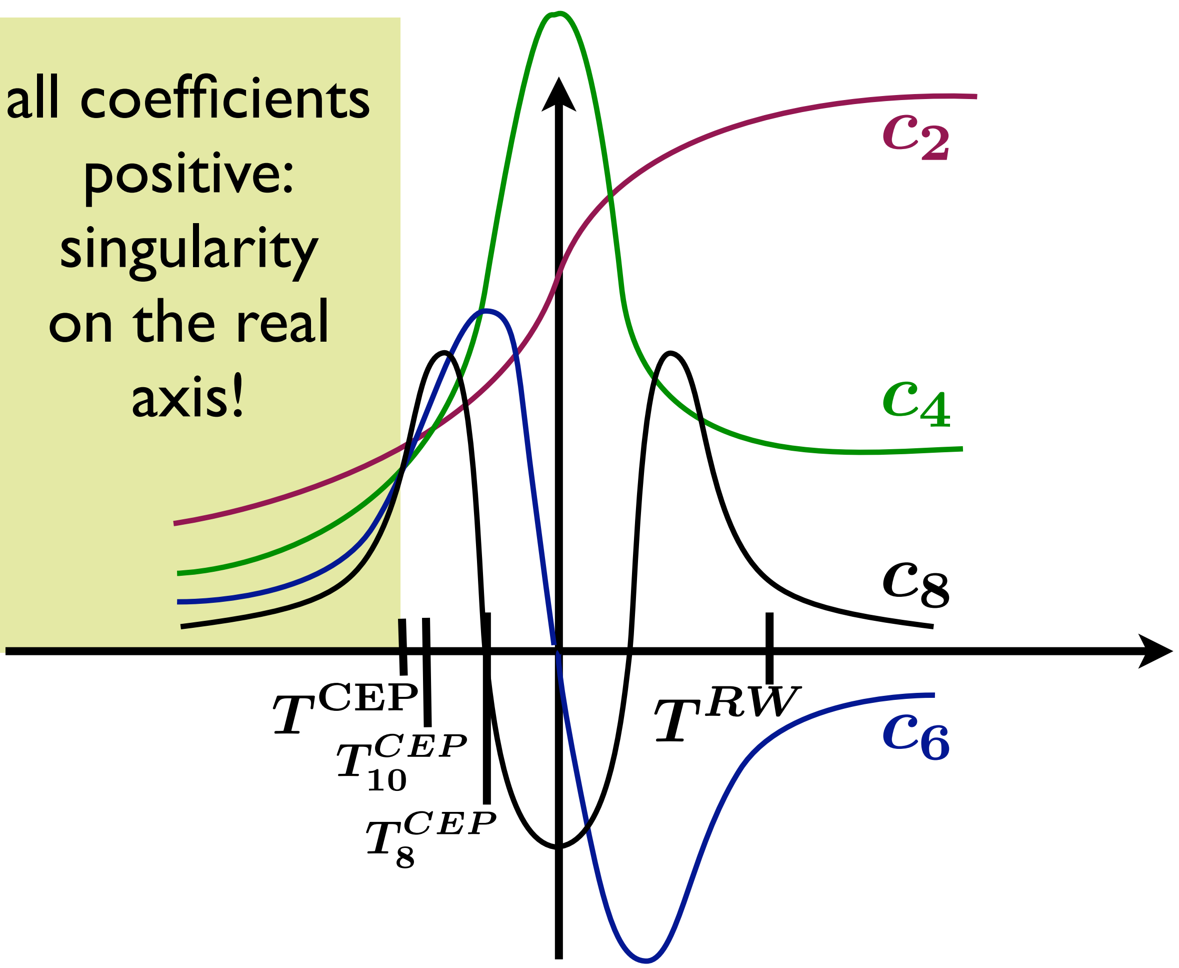
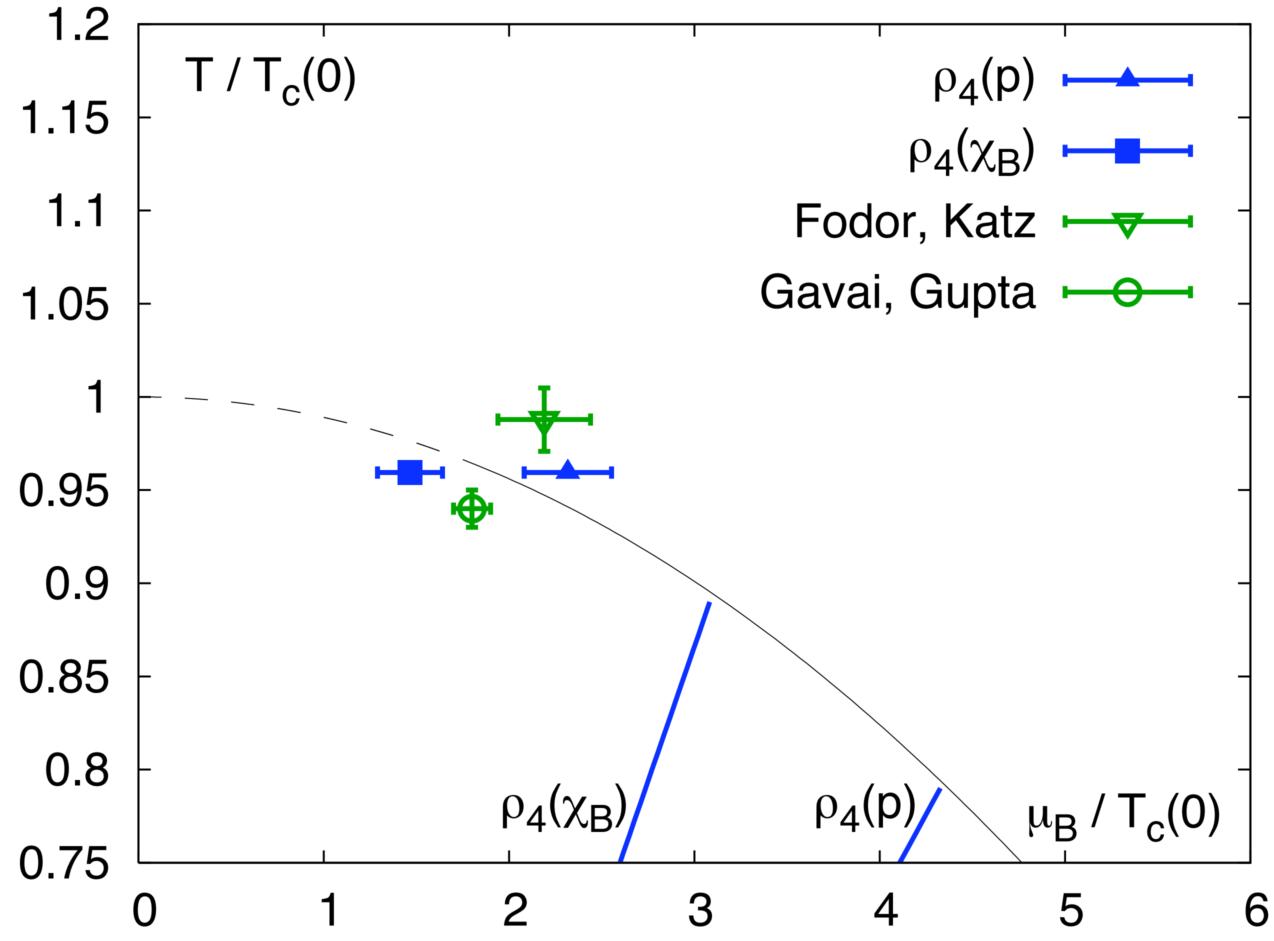
all coefficients positive: singularity on the real axis!





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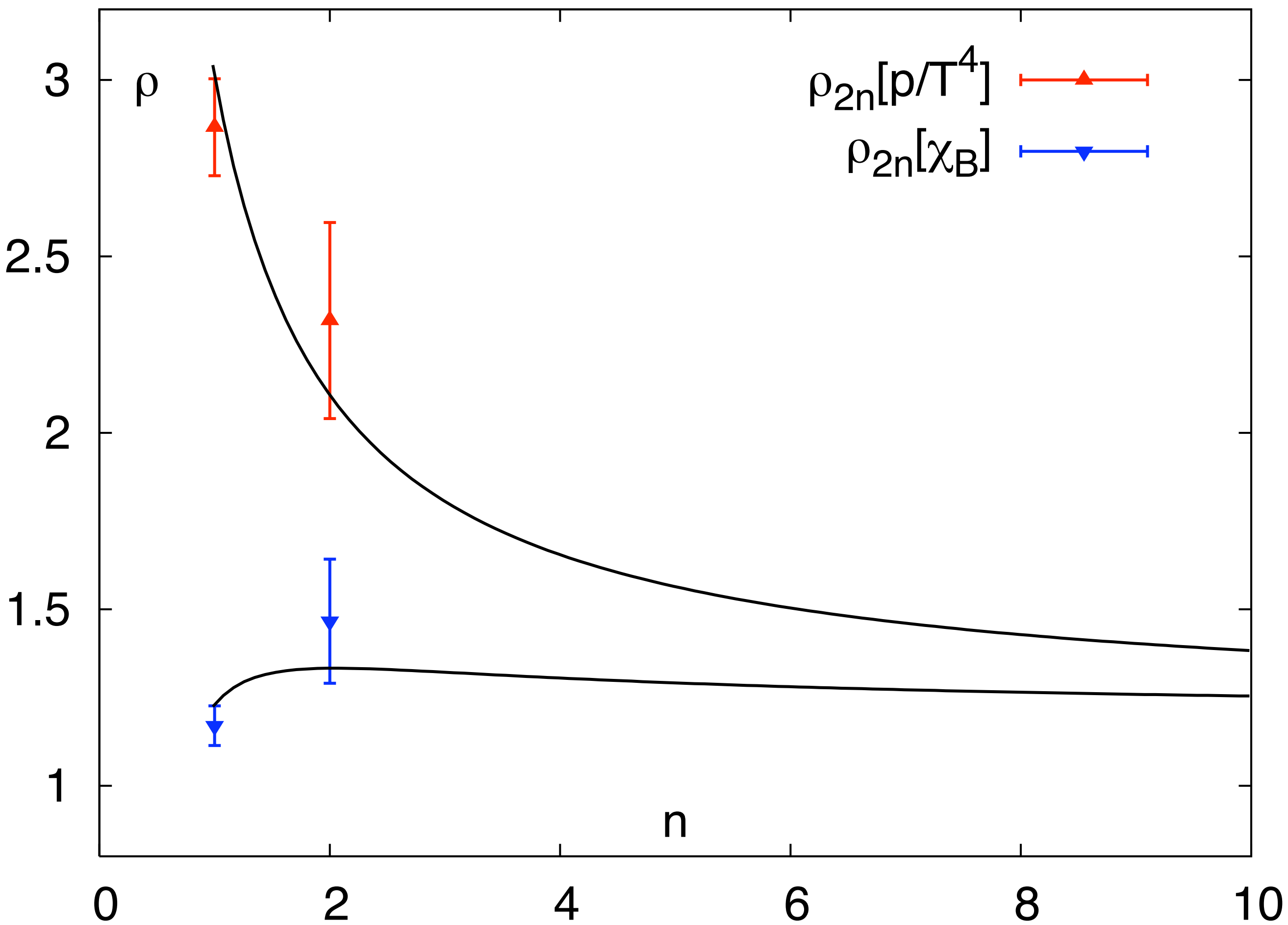
The critical endpoint (III)

What is the asymptotic behavior of ρ_n?



scaling field:

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free energy:

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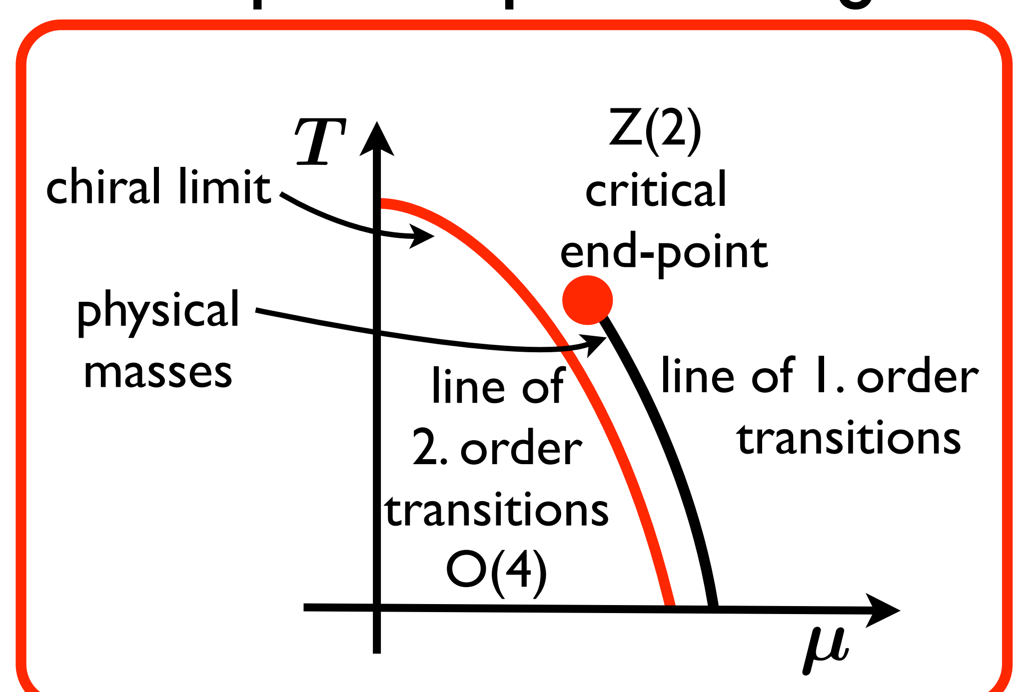
$$\rho_n(p) \sim \rho \left(1 + \frac{3-\alpha}{2n}\right)$$

$$\rho_n(\chi_B) \sim \rho \left(1 + \frac{1-\alpha}{2n}\right)$$

→ $\rho_n(\chi_B)$ more stable

→ still not the correct critical point!

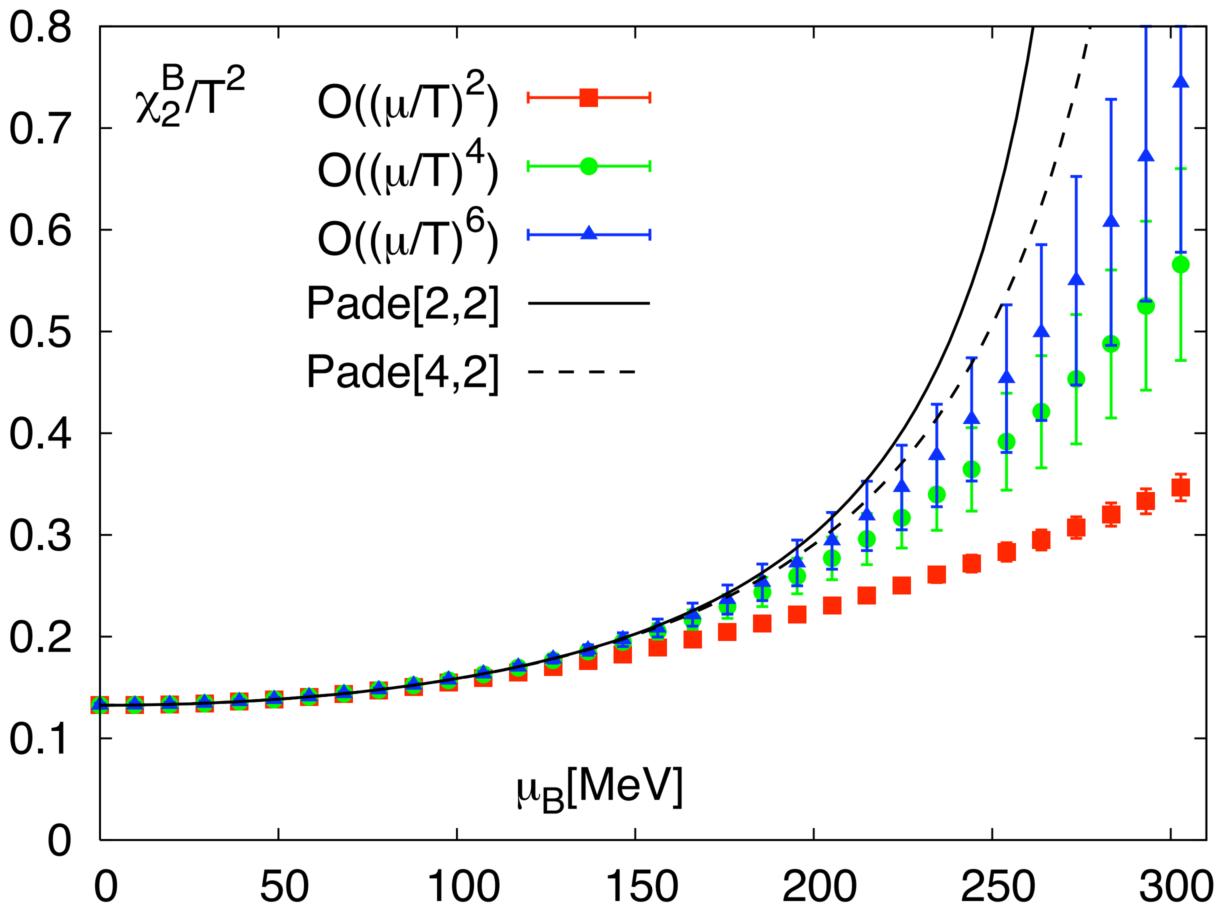
expected phase diagram

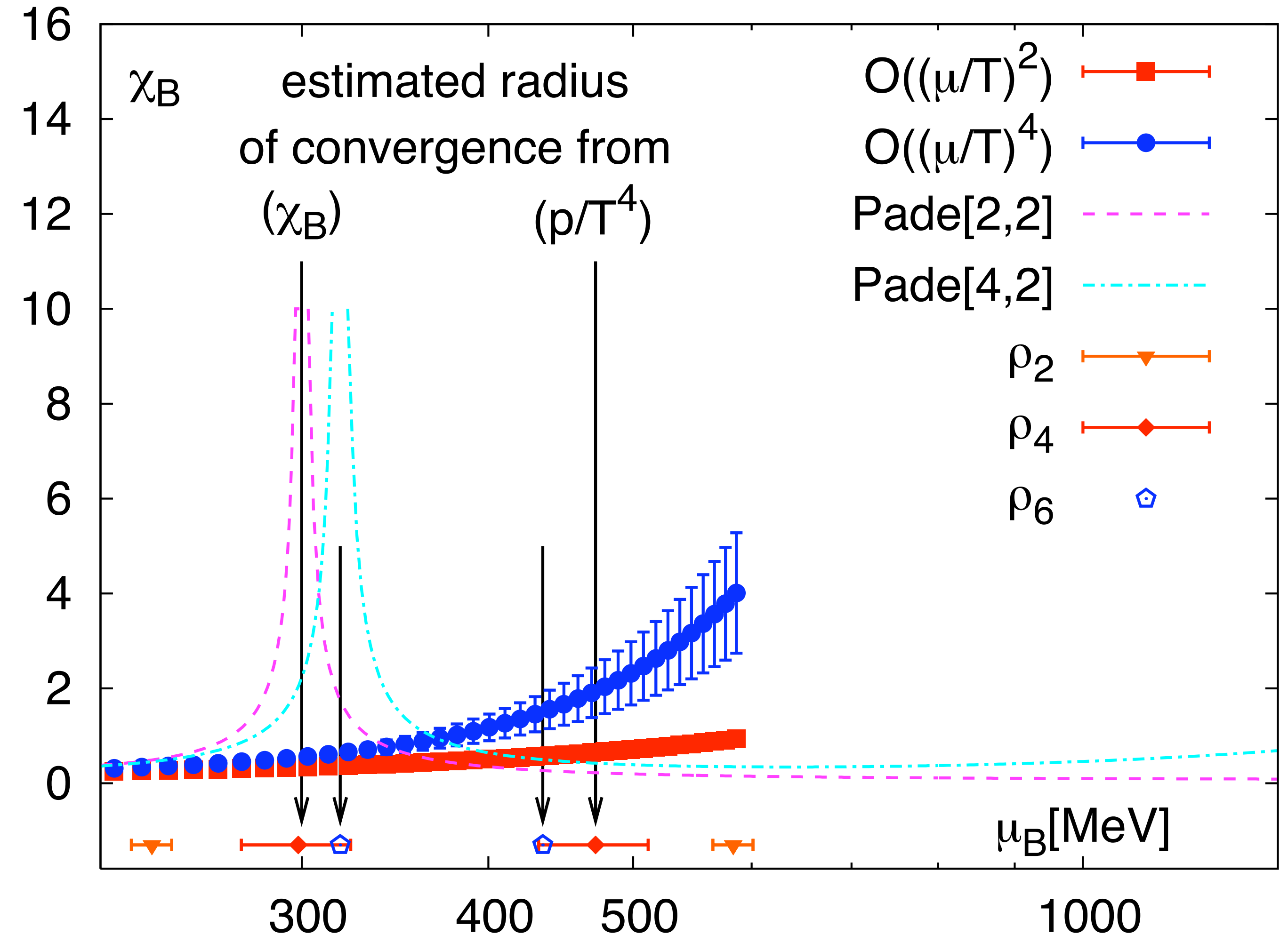


Taylor vs. Pade

Pade [2,2]:

$$\frac{\chi_B}{T^2} = \frac{2c_2c_4 + (12c_4^2 - 5c_2c_6)\left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^2}{c_4 - \frac{5}{2}c_6\left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^2}$$





→ good agreement of Taylor and Pade for $\mu_B/T \lesssim 1$

→ Pade approximants [2,2] and [4,2] have a pole at ρ_4 and ρ_6, respectively

fixing c_8 by the asymptotic behavior of Pade[4,2], demanding:

$$\lim_{\mu_B\to\infty} \chi_B \approx \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{9\pi^2}\left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^2$$

Summary

- Universal scaling behavior is observed near the chiral limit of (2+1)-flavor QCD
- A Taylor expansion of the pressure is used to obtain lattice QCD results at nonzero density and, in addition, provides a method to locate the CEP.
- Fluctuations and correlations are well described by a free gas of quarks above T>(1.5-1.7)Tc and by a resonance gas for T<Tc.
- Truncation errors of the Taylor series becomes large for $\mu_B/T \gtrsim (1-1.5)$
- The Taylor expansion method will provide valuable input for HIC phenomenology in the future.