

Types of Mixed Nuclear Matter

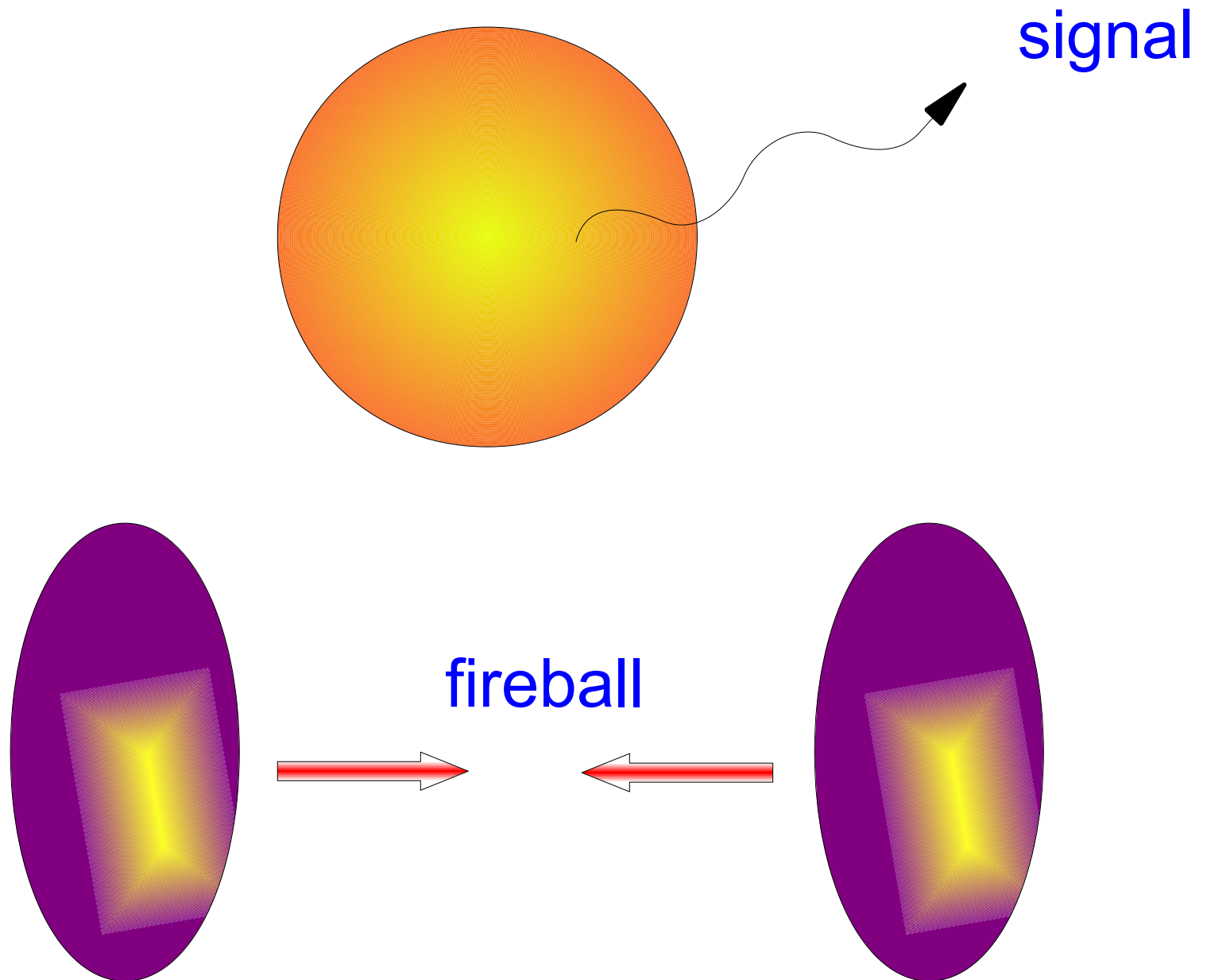
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Mixtures

1. Nuclear matter with multiquark clusters
2. Multicomponent quark – hadron matter
3. Stratified quark – hadron mixture
4. Stratified hadron – hadron mixture
5. Heterophase quark – hadron matter

What is the state?



Typical scales

Characteristic distance

$$a \sim \frac{1}{\rho^{1/3}} \sim 1 \text{ fm} = 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$$

Fireball radius

$$R \sim 10 \text{ fm} = 10^{-12} \text{ cm}$$

Local equilibration time

$$t_{loc} \sim \frac{a}{v} \sim 10^{-23} \text{ s}$$

Total equilibration time

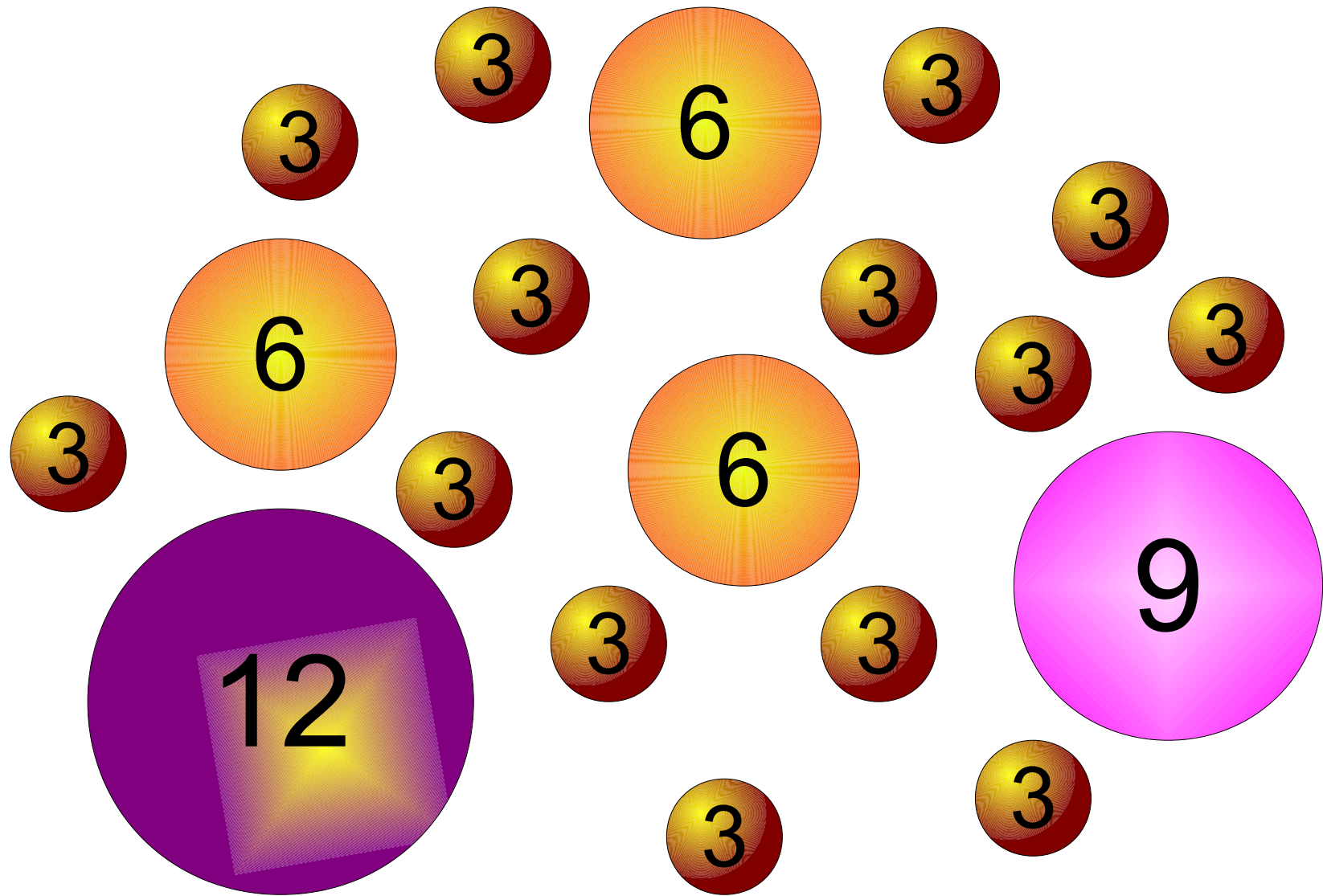
$$t_{eq} \sim \frac{R}{v} \sim 10^{-22} \text{ s}$$

Fireball lifetime

$$t_{exp} \sim 10^{-22} \text{ s}$$

$$t_{loc} \ll t_{exp}, \quad t_{eq} \sim t_{exp}$$

Multiquark admixture



Neutrons, protons, six-quark clusters, ...

Cluster probability

Cluster compositeness number z_i
(number of quarks in a cluster)

Density of clusters $\rho_i = \frac{N_i}{V}$

Total number N of quarks in volume V

Average density of matter $\rho = \frac{N}{V} = \sum_i z_i \rho_i$

Cluster probability $w_i = \frac{z_i \rho_i}{\rho}$

Cluster interactions

Interaction strength

$$\Phi_{ij} = \int \Phi_{ij}(\vec{r}) d\vec{r} = 2\pi\hbar^2 \frac{a_{ij}}{m_{ij}}$$

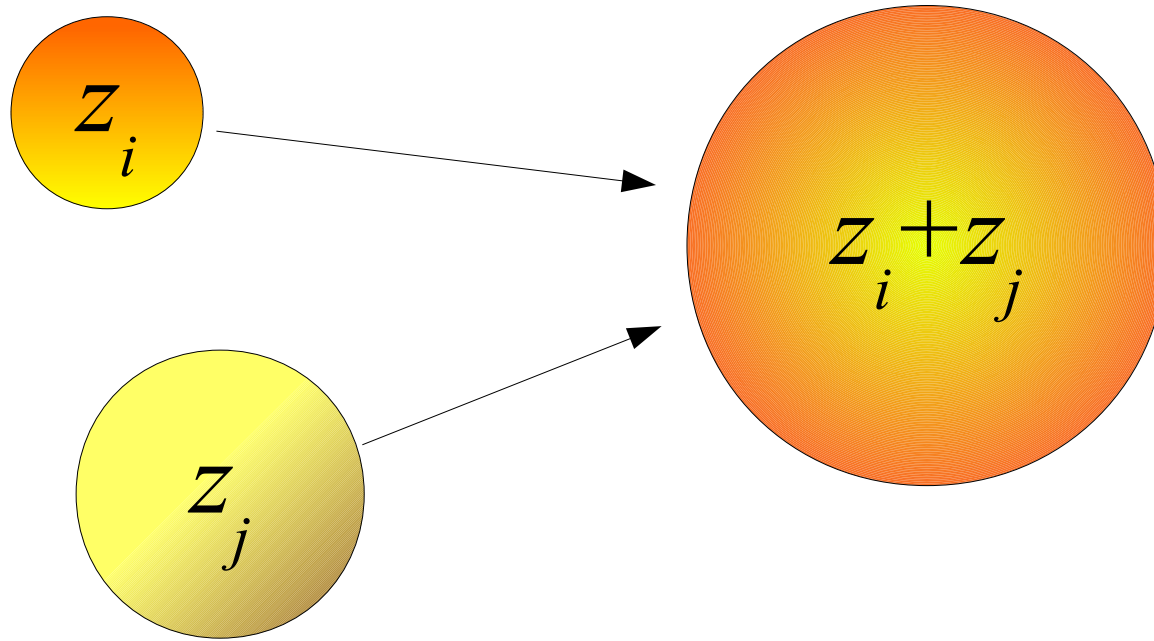
Scattering length

$$a_{ij}$$

Reduced mass

$$m_{ij} = \frac{m_i m_j}{m_i + m_j}$$

Reaction of fusion



Conservation of energy: $\sum_i E_i = \text{const}$

Conservation of compositeness number:

$$\sum_i z_i = \text{const}$$

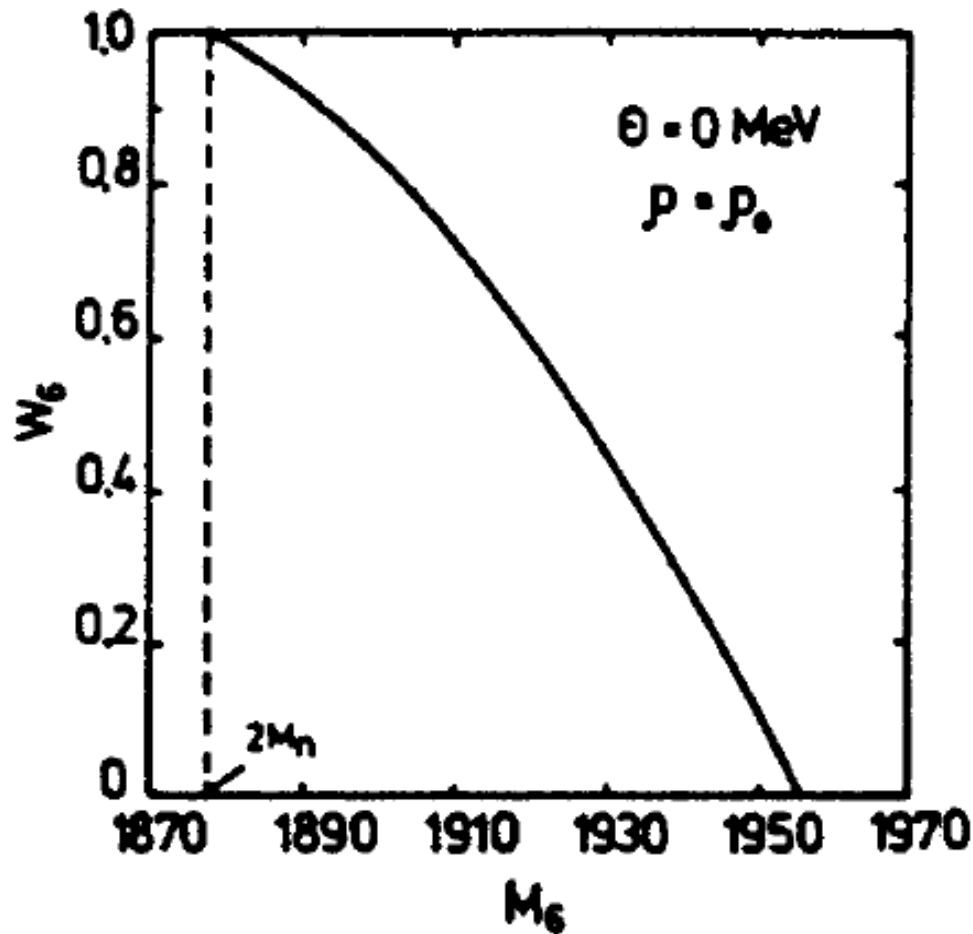
Interaction relations

$$\frac{\Phi_{ij}}{Z_i Z_j} = \frac{\Phi_{mn}}{Z_m Z_n}$$

All interactions can be expressed through a known nucleon – nucleon interactions

$$\frac{\Phi_{ij}}{Z_i Z_j} = \frac{\Phi_{33}}{9}$$

Φ_{33} Bonn potential

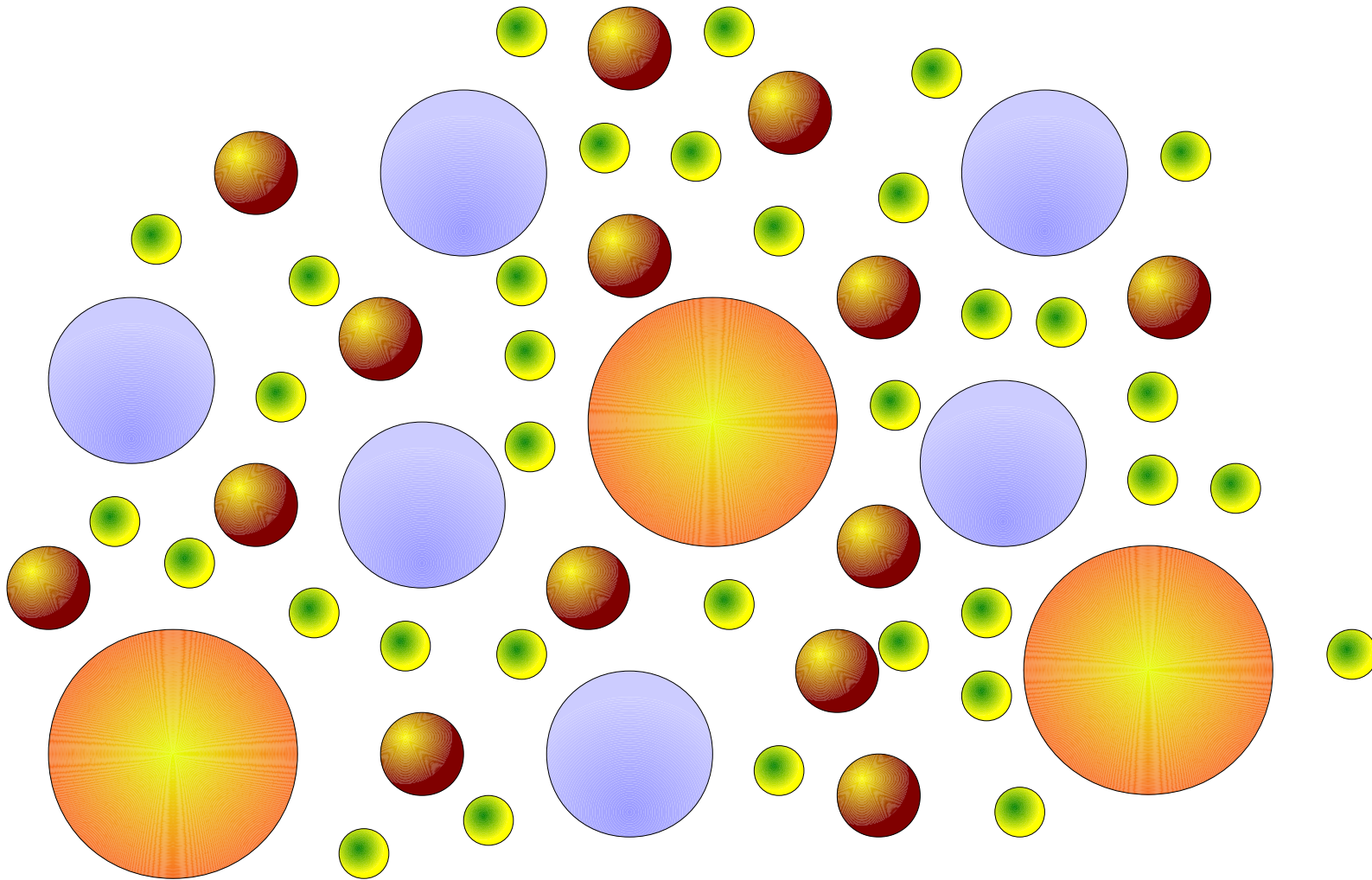


Probability of 6-quark cluster vs mass at $T = 0$ and

$$\rho = \rho_0 = 3\rho_{oB} = 0.5/\text{fm}^{-3}$$

(normal quark density nuclear matter)

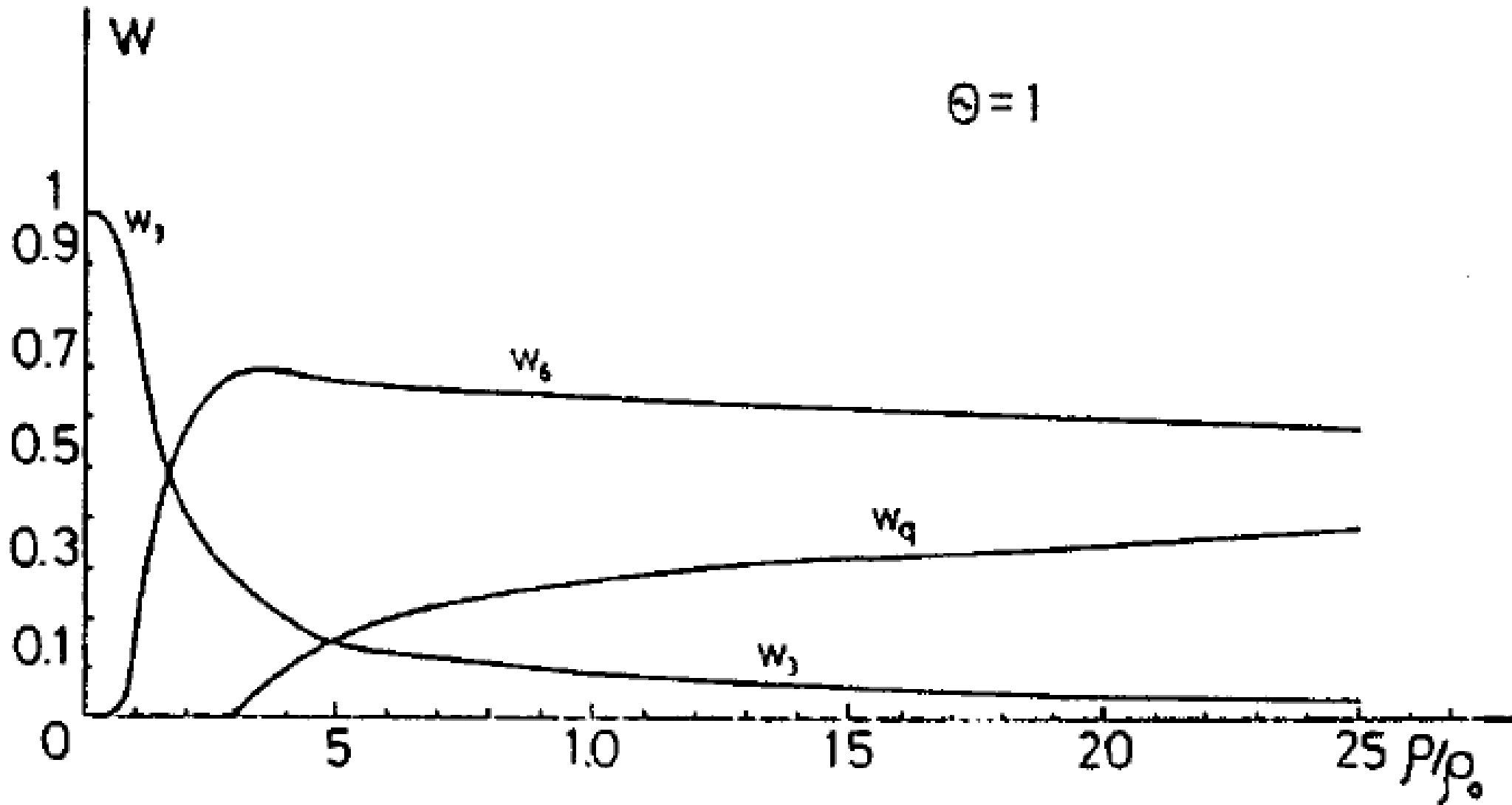
Multicomponent quark-hadron matter



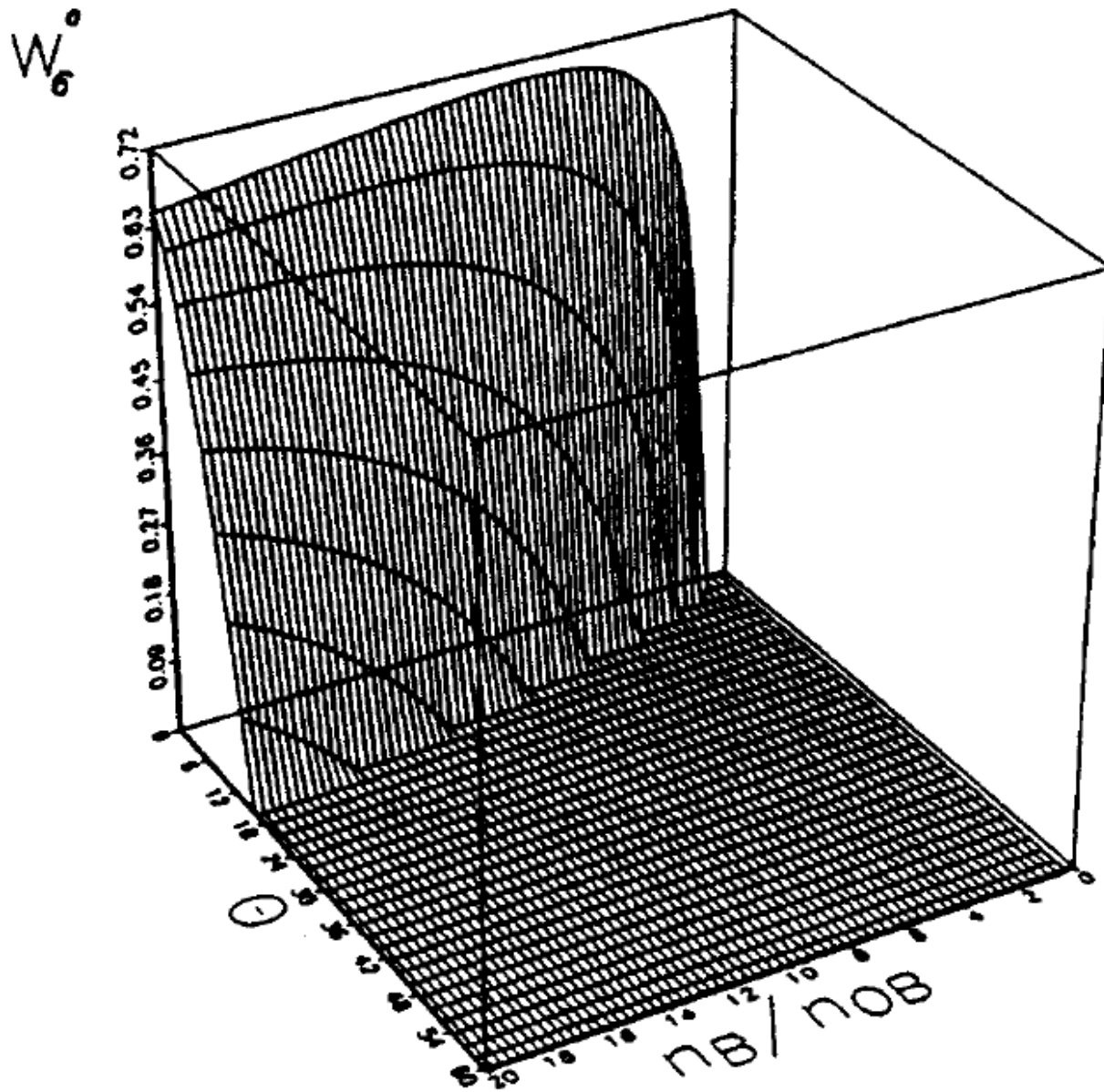
Quarks, gluons, mesons, nucleons, multiquarks

Constituents taken into account

| Particles | Mass m_i (MeV) | Compositeness number z_i | Baryon number B_i | Degeneracy factor ζ_i |
|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Gluons | | | | |
| g | 0 | 1 | 0 | 16 |
| Quarks | | | | |
| u | 4 | 1 | 1/3 | 6 |
| \bar{u} | 4 | 1 | -1/3 | 6 |
| d | 7 | 1 | 1/3 | 6 |
| \bar{d} | 7 | 1 | -1/3 | 6 |
| Mesons | | | | |
| π^+ | 140 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| π^- | 140 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| π^0 | 135 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| η | 548 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| ρ^+ | 770 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| ρ^- | 770 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| ρ^0 | 770 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| ω | 782 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| Nucleons | | | | |
| n | 939 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| \bar{n} | 939 | 3 | -1 | 2 |
| p | 938 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| \bar{p} | 938 | 3 | -1 | 2 |
| Multiquarks | | | | |
| $6q$ | 1944 | 6 | 2 | 9 |
| $6\bar{q}$ | 1944 | 6 | -2 | 9 |
| $9q$ | 3521 | 9 | 3 | 4 |
| $9\bar{q}$ | 3521 | 9 | -3 | 4 |
| $12q$ | 4932 | 12 | 4 | 1 |
| $12\bar{q}$ | 4932 | 12 | -4 | 1 |



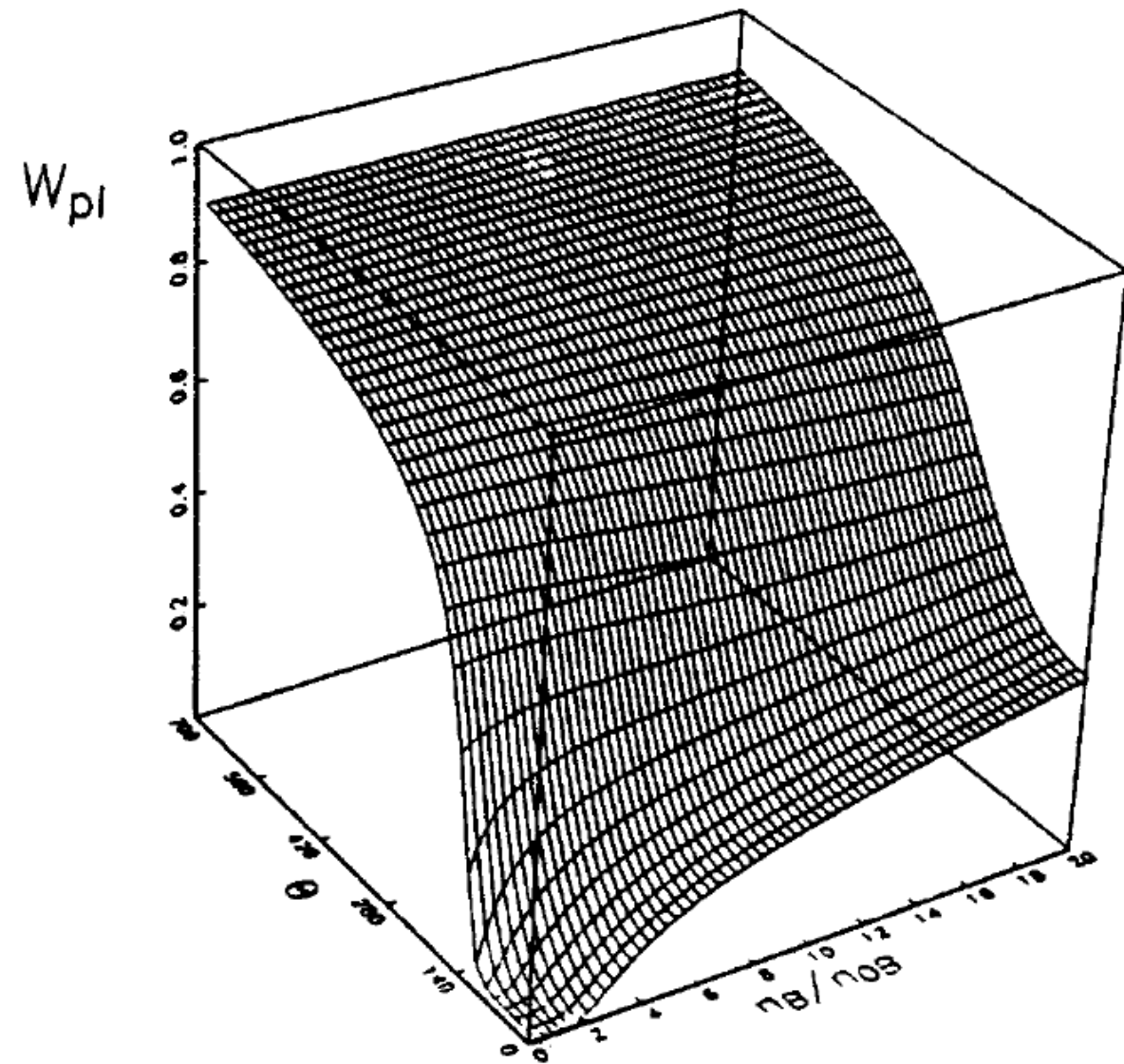
Nucleon, 6-quark cluster, and quark probabilities as functions of the relative density at $T = 0$



Probability of Bose-condensed 6-quark clusters as a function of temperature and reduced density.

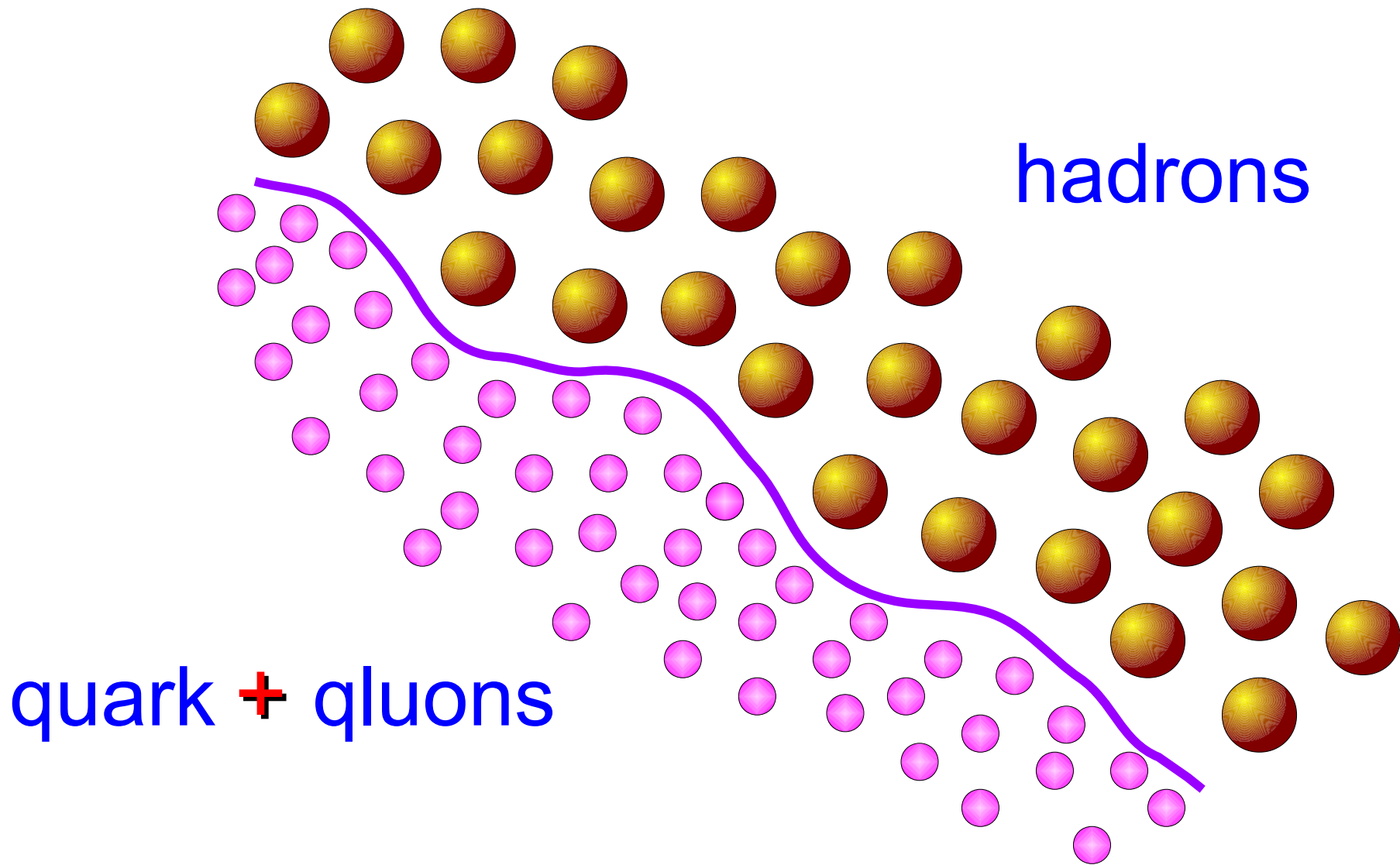
Quark-gluon probability

$$w_{qg} = \frac{1}{\bar{\rho}} \left(\rho_g + \rho_u + \rho_d + \bar{\rho}_u + \bar{\rho}_d \right)$$



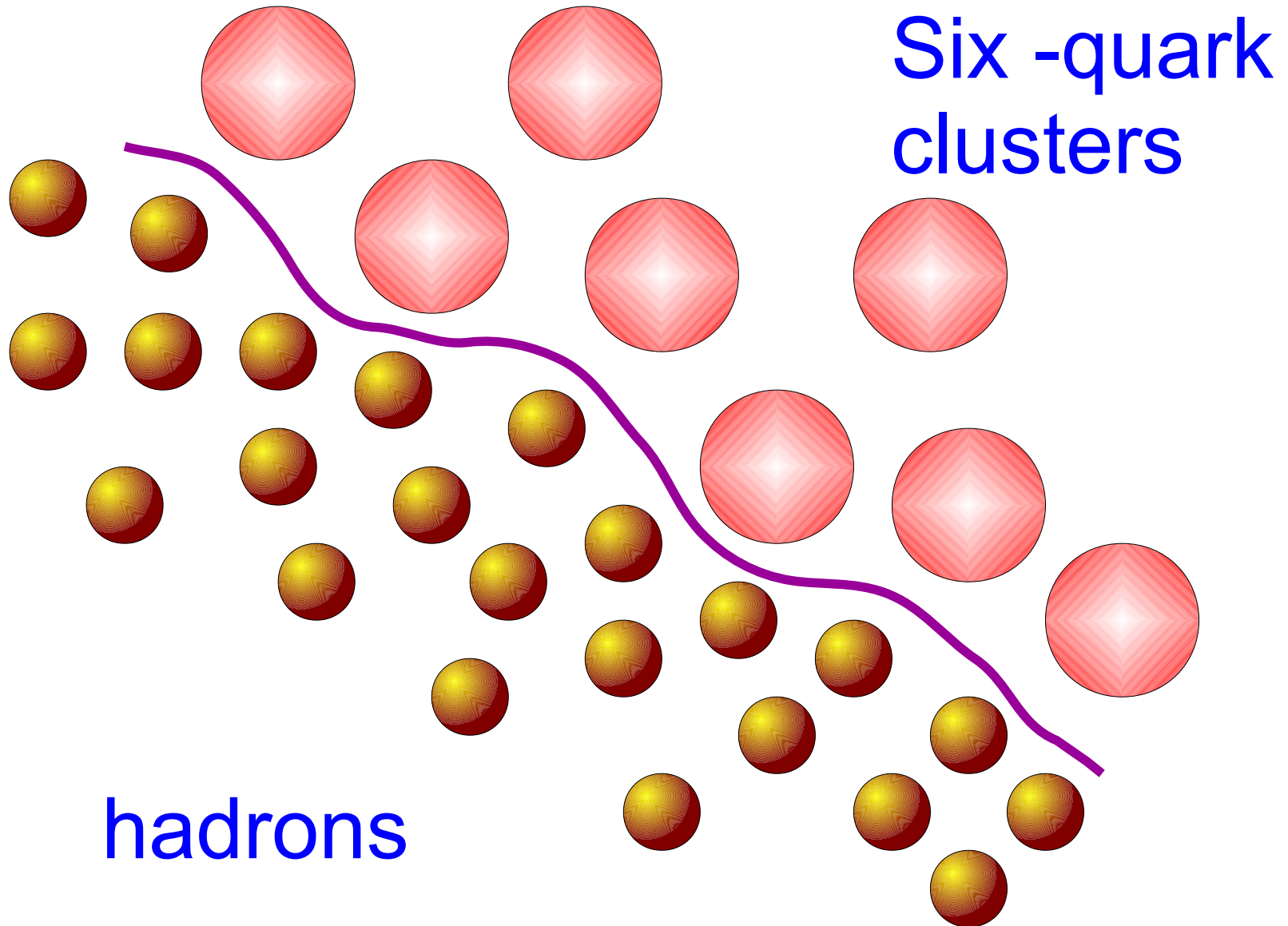
Deconfinement-gradual
crossover

Stratified quark-hadron mixture

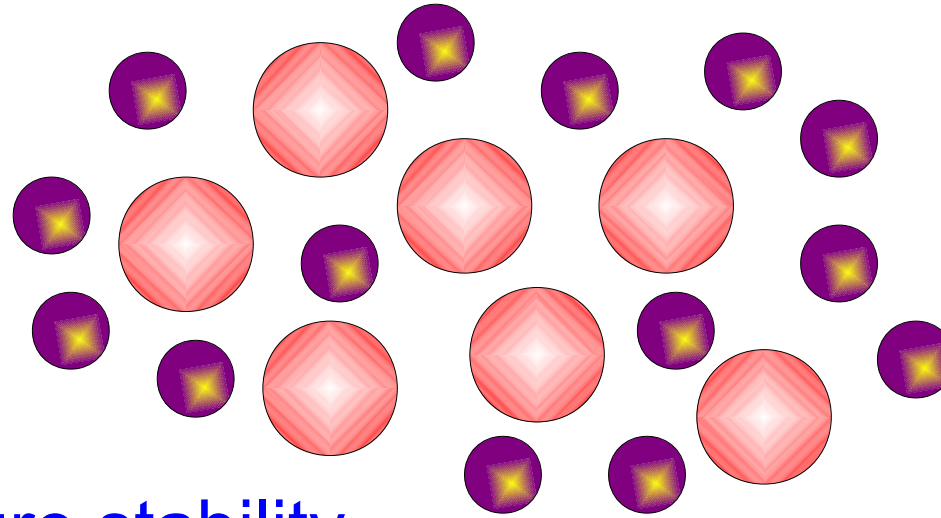


First – order phase transition

Stratified hadron-hadron mixture



Mixture of different clusters



Condition of mixture stability

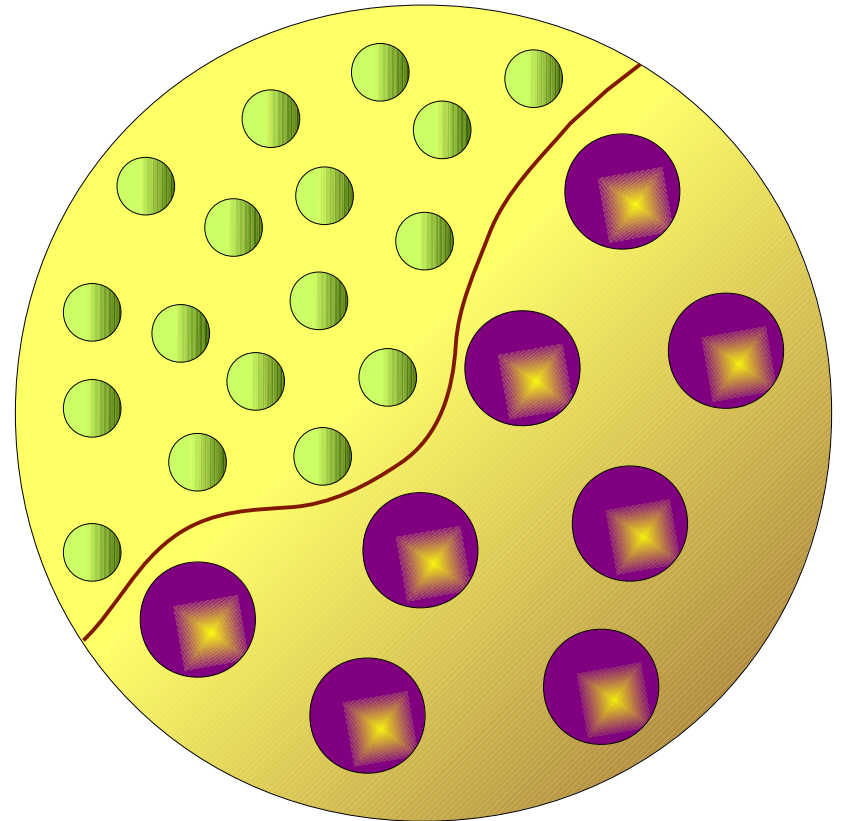
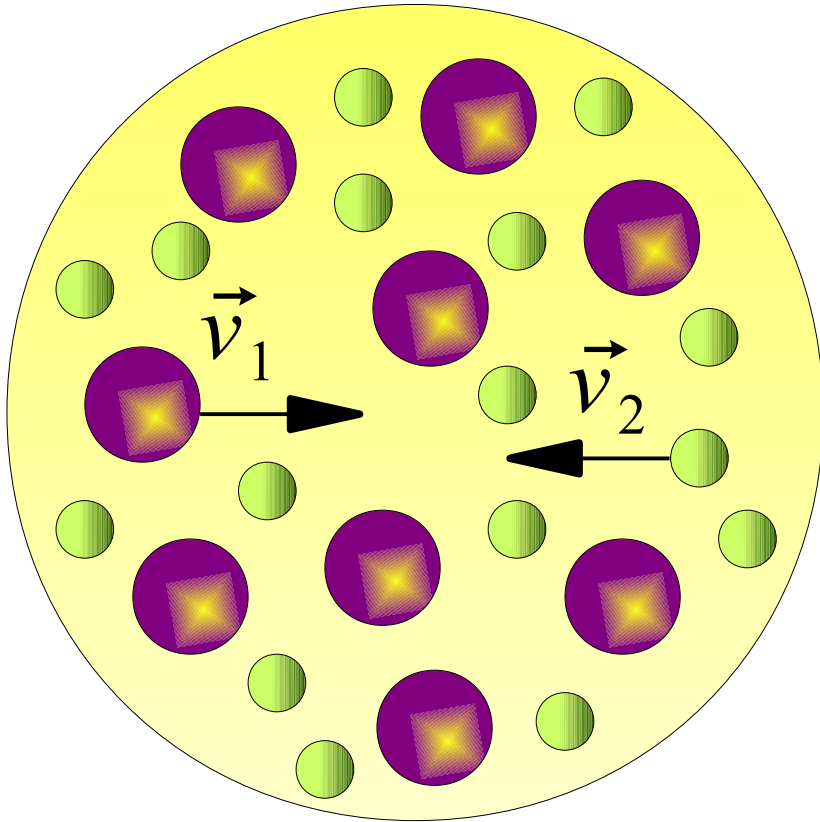
$$\Phi_{ij} - \sqrt{\Phi_{ii} \Phi_{jj}} < -\frac{2T}{\rho} \sum_i n_i \ln n_i$$

Cluster fraction

$$n_i = \frac{N_i}{N}$$

No stratification!

Counterflow instability



Relative velocity:

$$\vec{v} = \vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2$$

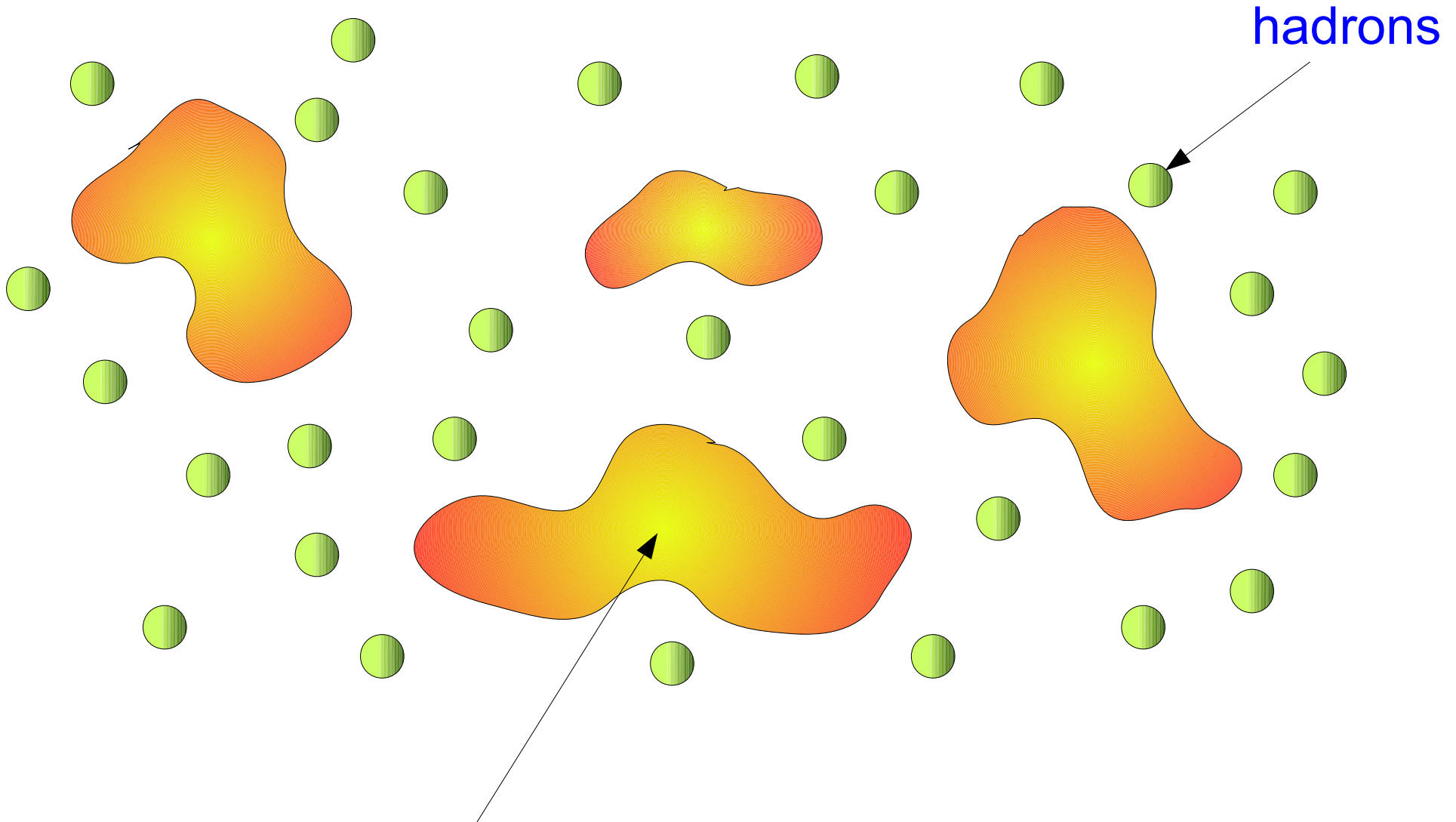
Stability conditions

$$\Phi_{12}^2 < \left(\Phi_{11} - \frac{m_1}{\rho_1} v_1^2 \right) \left(\Phi_2 - \frac{m_2}{\rho_2} v_2^2 \right)$$

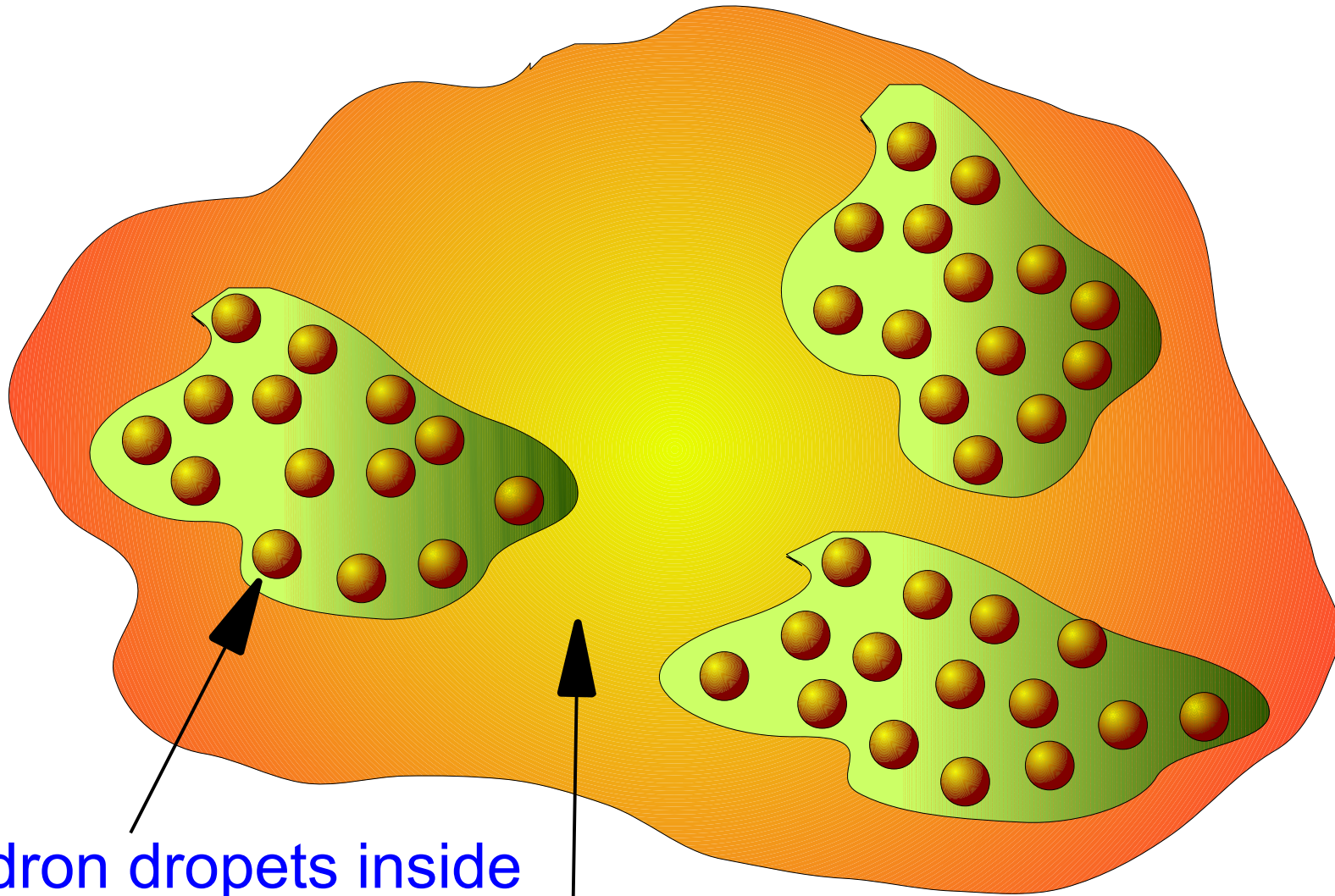
Mixture is not stratified!

$$\Phi_{ij} = 2\pi \hbar^2 \frac{a_{ij}}{m_{ij}}$$

Heterophase quark – hadron matter



droplets of quark-gluon plasma inside hadron sea



Hadron dropets inside

quark- gluon plasma

Mesoscopic size of heterophase droplets

Mean interparticle distance a

Typical size of a droplet l

Fireball radius R

$$a \ll l \ll R$$

Mesososcopic lifetime of heterophase droplets

Local equilibration time t_{loc}

Lifetime of a heterophase droplet t_{het}

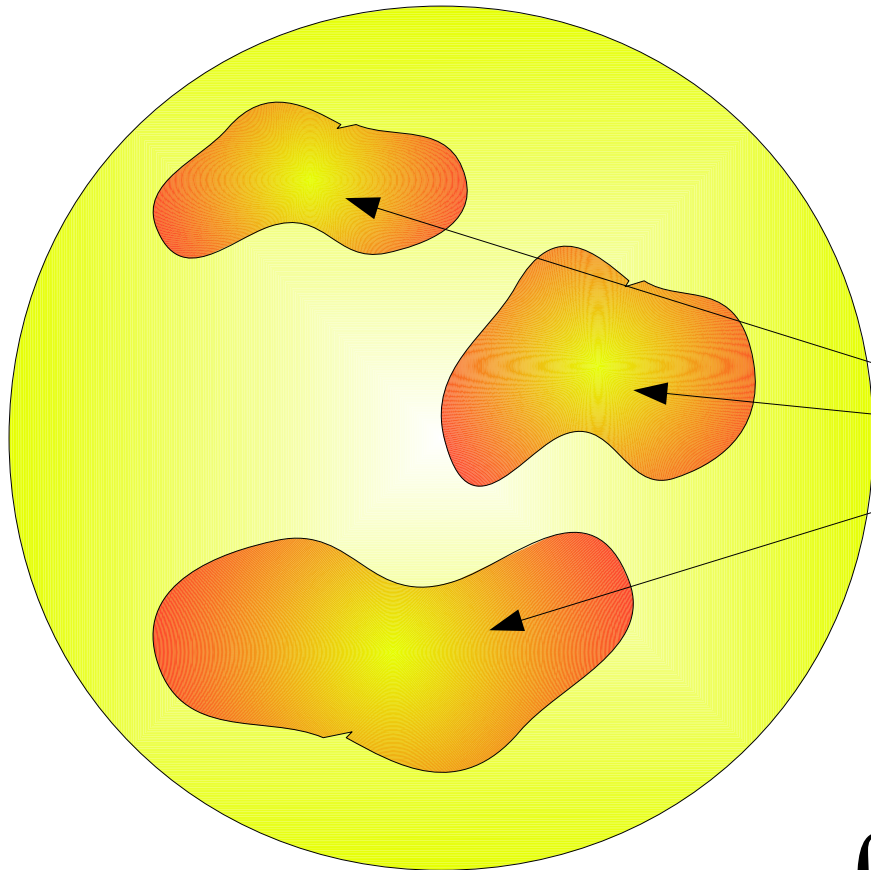
Lifetime of a fireball t_{exp}

$$t_{loc} \ll t_{het} \ll t_{exp}$$

Phase probability

Manifold indicator function

$$\xi_f(\vec{r}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \vec{r} \in V_f \\ 0, & \vec{r} \notin V_f \end{cases}$$



V_f
location of f -th phase

$$w_f = \int \xi_f(\vec{r}) D\xi$$

Averaging over phase configurations

Hamiltonian $H(\xi)$

Partition function

$$Z = \text{Tr} \int \exp\{-\beta H(\xi)\} D\xi$$

Effective Hamiltonian \tilde{H}

$$\exp(-\beta \tilde{H}) = \int \exp\{-\beta H(\xi)\} D\xi$$

$$Z = \text{Tr} e^{-\beta \tilde{H}}, \quad \Omega = -T \ln Z$$

$$\min_{\{w_f\}} \Omega \longrightarrow w_f$$

Conclusion: Life is not easy

- Experimentally measured signals can be essentially different for different states.
- Nuclear matter can form principally different mixed phases, including quark-hadron matter.
- The most stable of the states is the most probable.

Thank you for attention!

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Models of mixed matter.