

Lattice QCD results on soft and hard probes of strongly interacting matter

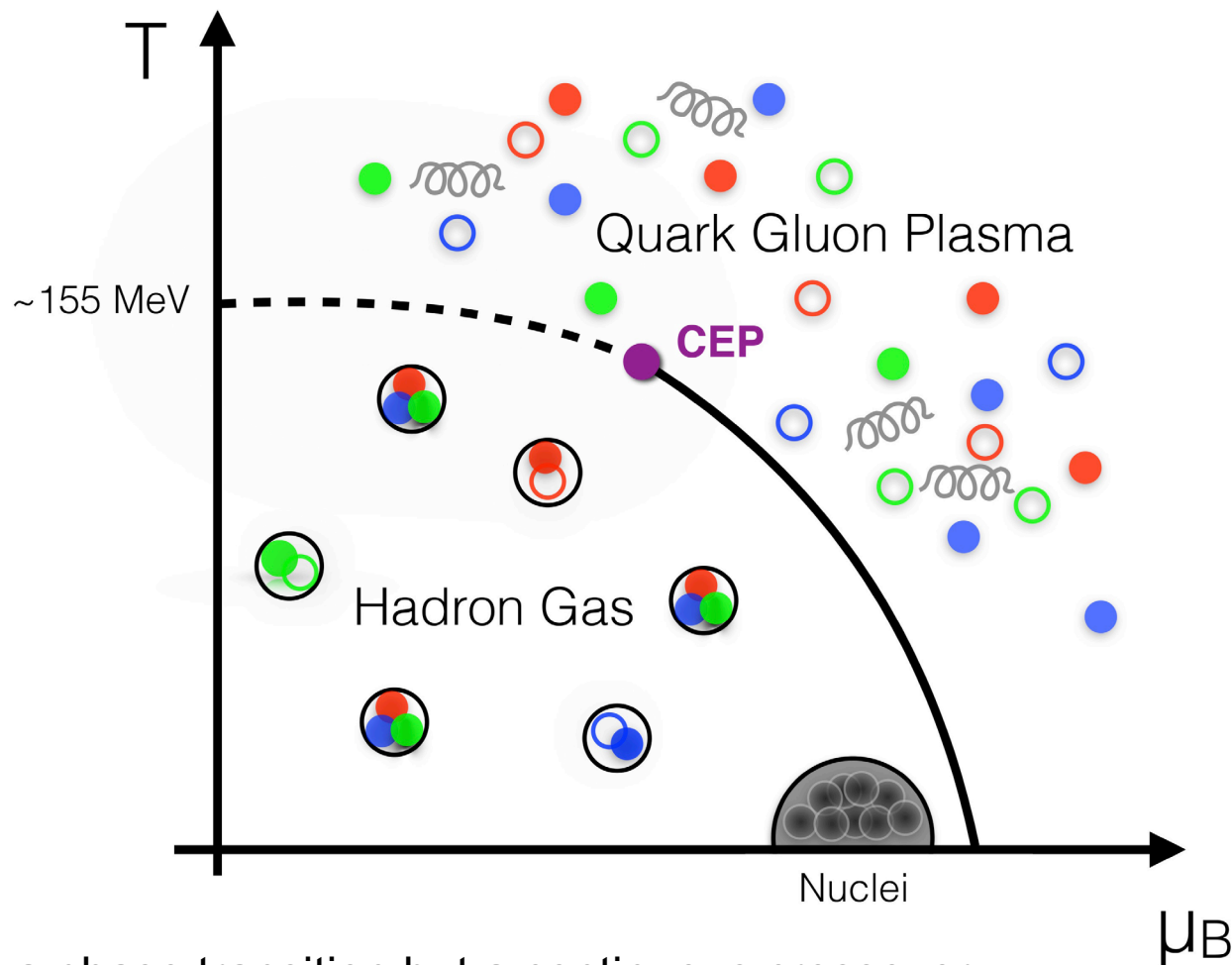
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- I) Equation of State at $\mu_B > 0$ and cumulants of conserved charges
 - thermal conditions at freeze-out
 - radius of convergence and critical point
 - skewness and kurtosis of net-baryon number
- II) Spectral and Transport properties in the QGP
 - thermal dilepton and photon rates
 - electrical conductivity and heavy-quark diffusion

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QCD phase diagram in the temperature (T) and baryon chemical potential (μ_B) plane



At small μ_B not a phase transition but a continuous crossover

→ **how does the physics change from Hadron Gas to QGP**

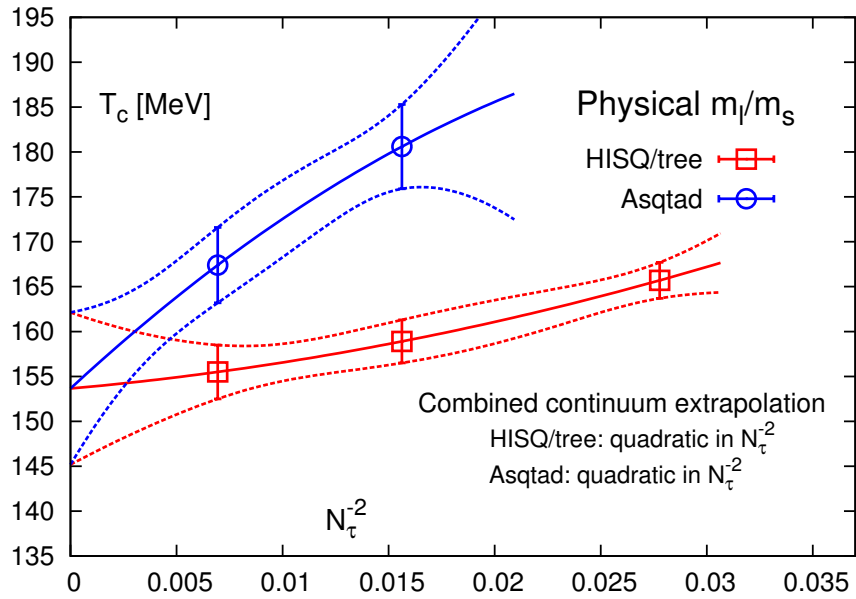
At $\mu_B > 0$ second order critical end point may exist, followed by line of 1st-order transitions

→ **location of the CEP? Critical behavior close to the CEP?**

Well defined pseudo-critical temperature

$$T_c = (154 \pm 9) \text{ MeV}$$

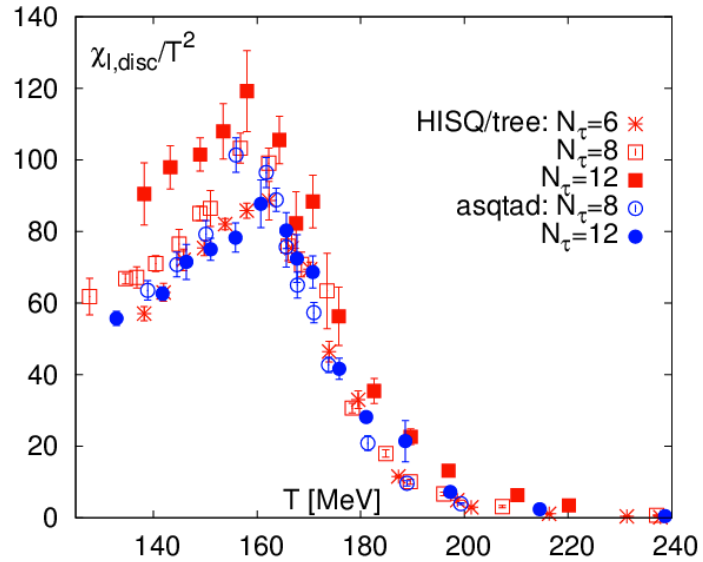
consistent results from continuum extrapolated results of different lattice discretizations



[A. Bazavov et al. (hotQCD), PRD85 (2012) 054503]

from location of the peak in the fluctuations of the chiral condensate

$$\chi_l = \frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial^2 \log Z}{\partial m_l^2}$$



thermodynamic quantities obtained from derivatives of the partition function

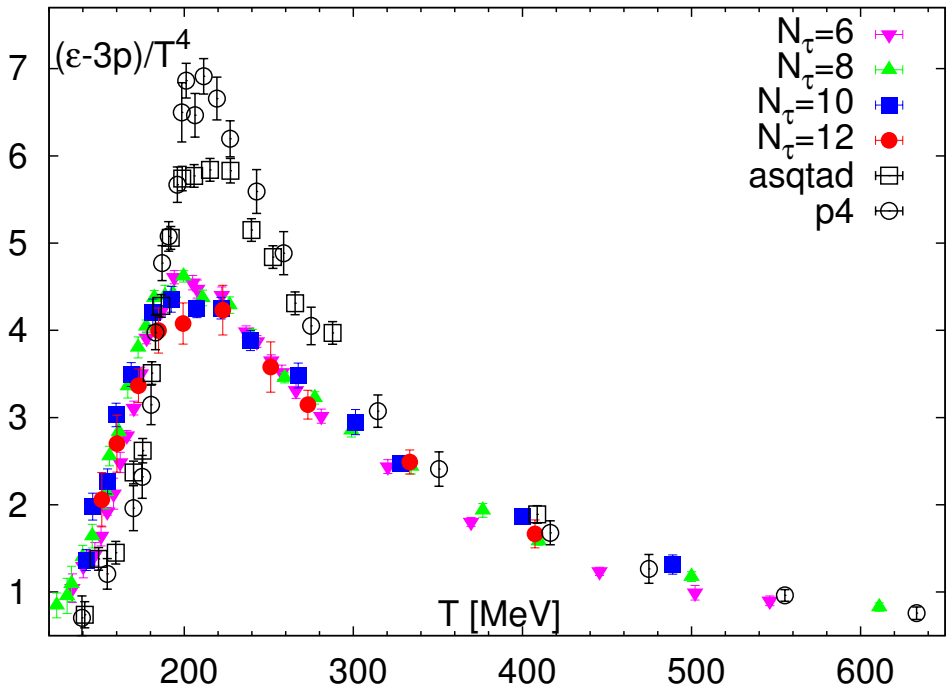
$$Z(\beta, N_\sigma, N_\tau) = \int \prod_{x,\mu} dU_{x,\mu} e^{-S(U)}$$

$$S(U) = \beta S_G(U) - S_F(U)$$

using trace of the energy momentum tensor:

$$\Theta^{\mu\mu} = \epsilon - 3p = -\frac{T}{V} \frac{d \ln Z}{d \ln a}$$

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pressure calculated using integral method:

$$\frac{\epsilon - 3p}{T^4} \equiv \frac{\Theta_G^{\mu\mu}(T)}{T^4} + \frac{\Theta_F^{\mu\mu}(T)}{T^4} ,$$

$$\frac{\Theta_G^{\mu\mu}(T)}{T^4} = R_\beta [\langle s_G \rangle_0 - \langle s_G \rangle_\tau] N_\tau^4 ,$$

$$\frac{\Theta_F^{\mu\mu}(T)}{T^4} = -R_\beta R_m [2m_l (\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle_{l,0} - \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle_{l,\tau}) + m_s (\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle_{s,0} - \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle_{s,\tau})] N_\tau^4 .$$

need the beta-function:
(on a line of constant physics)

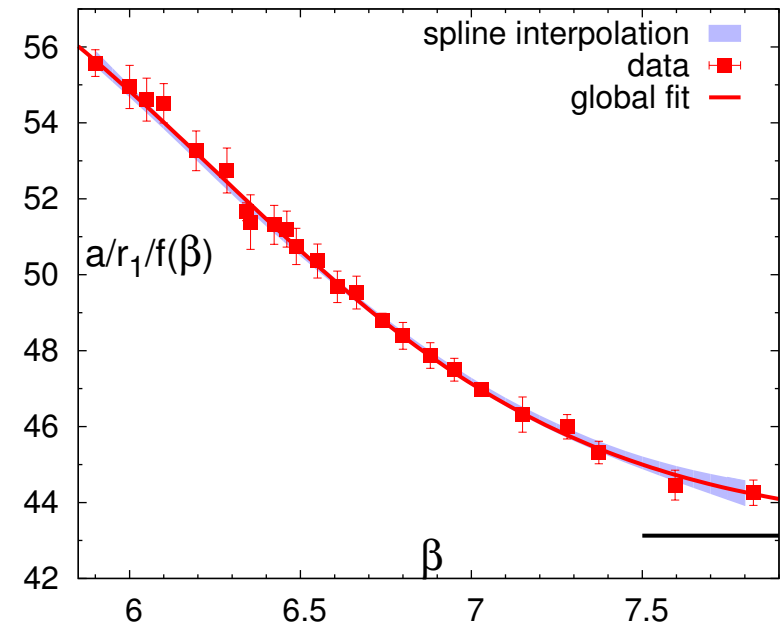
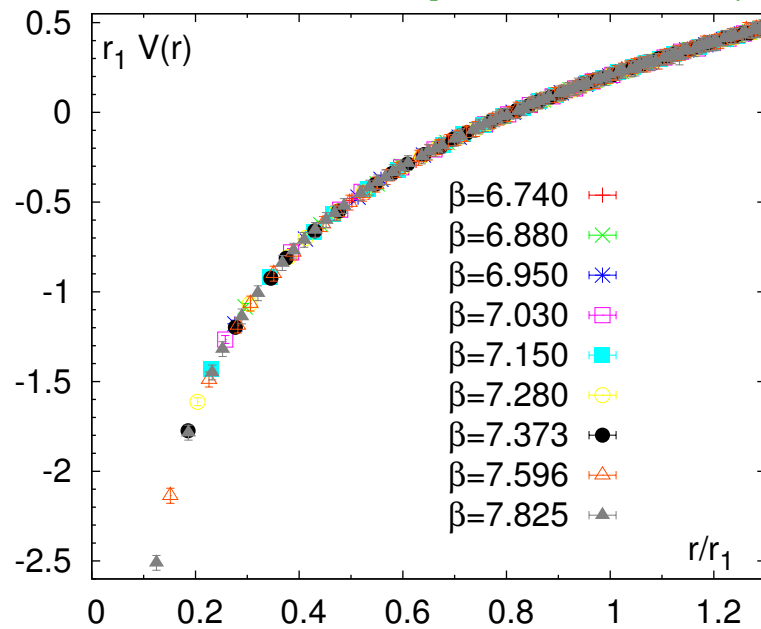
$$R_\beta(\beta) = a \frac{d\beta}{da} \qquad R_m(\beta) = \frac{1}{m_s(\beta)} \frac{dm_s(\beta)}{d\beta}$$

$$\frac{p(T)}{T^4} = \frac{p_0}{T_0^4} + \int_{T_0}^T dT' \frac{\Theta^{\mu\mu}}{T'^5}$$

Scale setting and the beta function

Sommer scale from heavy quark potential: $r^2 \frac{dV}{dr} \Big|_{r_1} = 1.0$

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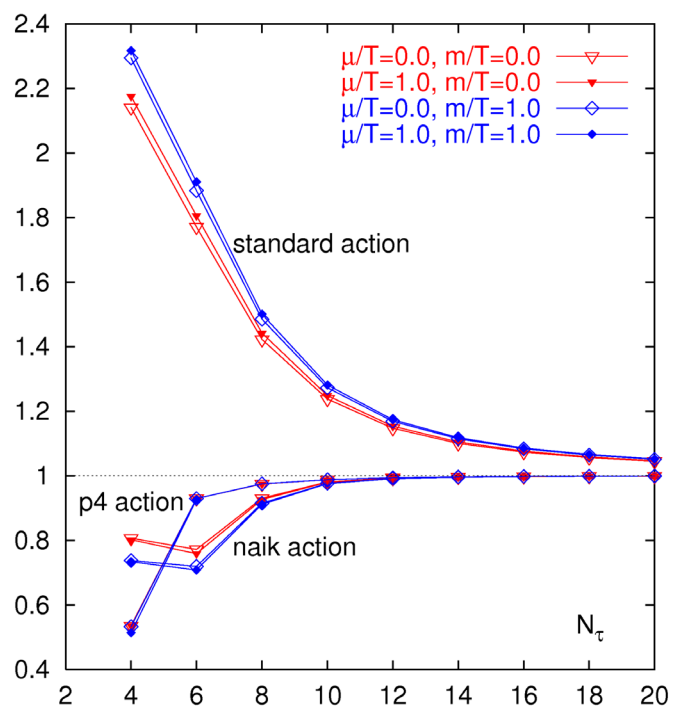
Interpolation of r_1 : $\frac{a}{r_1} = \frac{c_0 f(\beta) + c_2 (10/\beta) f^3(\beta)}{1 + d_2 (10/\beta) f^2(\beta)}$

$$f(\beta) = \left(\frac{10b_0}{\beta} \right)^{-b_1/(2b_0^2)} \exp(-\beta/(20b_0)) \quad b_0 = 9/(16\pi^2) \quad b_1 = 1/(4\pi^4)$$

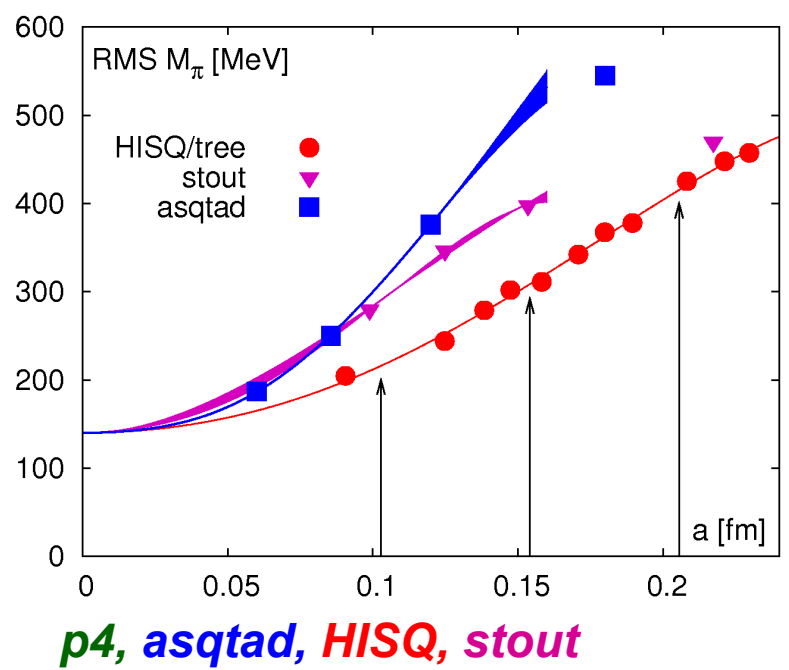
→ beta-function: $R_\beta(\beta) = \frac{r_1}{a} \left(\frac{d(r_1/a)}{d\beta} \right)^{-1}$

→ improve thermodynamics and flavor symmetry:

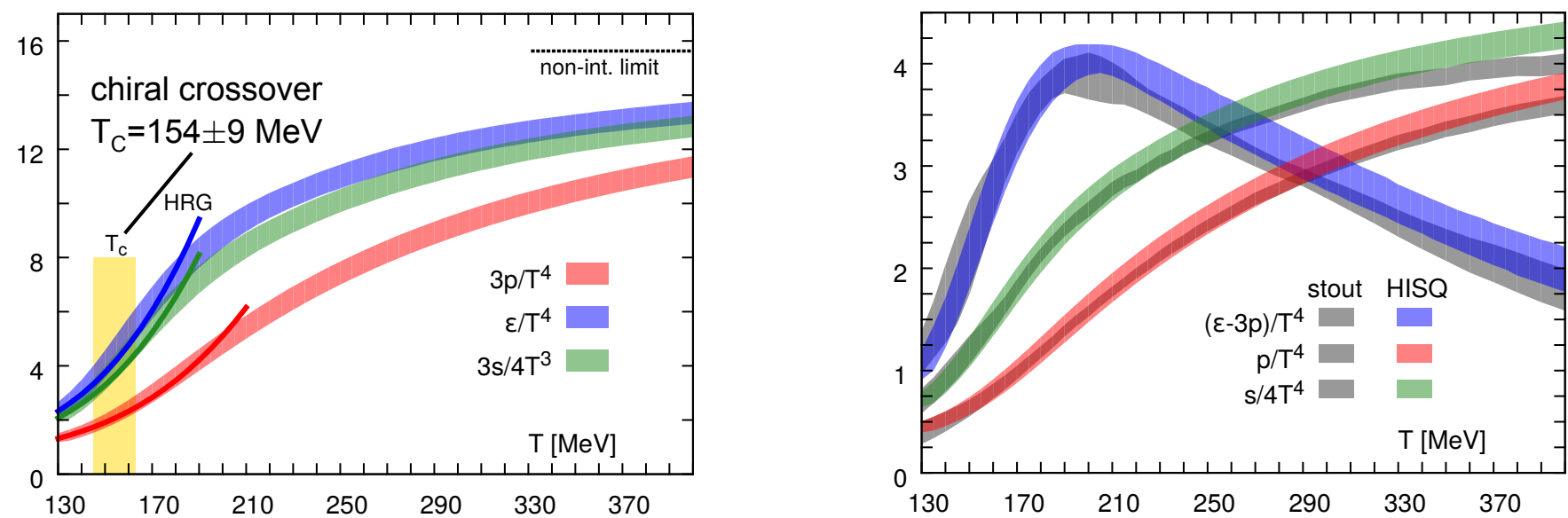
Pressure of the ideal quark gas



Root mean square mass



Continuum extrapolated results of **pressure** & **energy density** & **entropy density**



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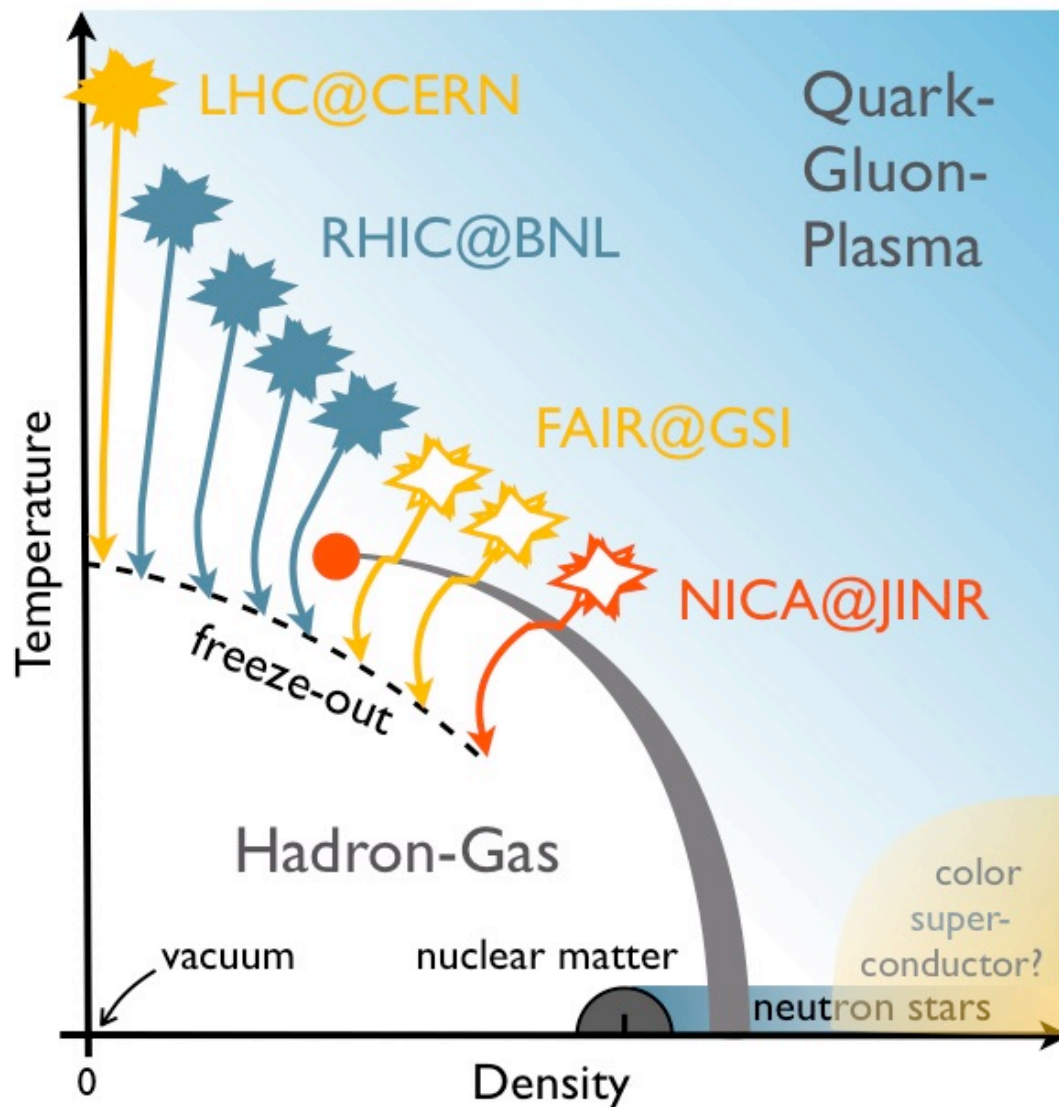
consistent results from hotQCD (HISQ) and Budapest-Wuppertal (stout)

Hadron resonance gas (HRG) model using all known hadronic resonances from PDG describes the EoS quite well up to cross-over region

QCD results systematically above HRG

QCD is quite different from HRG thermodynamics at $T > 160$ MeV

Experimental studies of the QCD phase diagram



Most quantities are measured at freeze-out

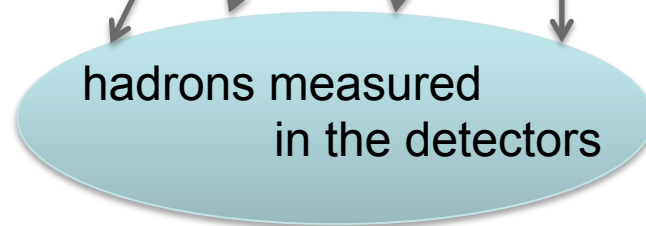
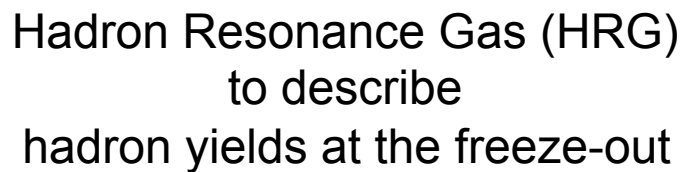
→ Hadronic fluctuations

→ Hadronic abundances

Hadron resonance gas (HRG)
a good description of the
hadronic phase?

Compare HRG to QCD

**Use QCD to describe
physics at freeze-out**

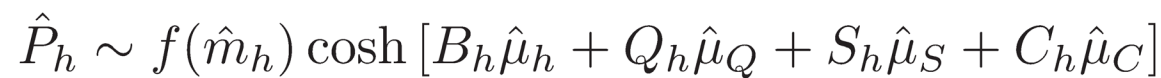


“observed” mainly at the **freeze-out stage** of the HIC

$$\mathbf{T}^f, \mu^f$$



HRG: thermal gas of uncorrelated hadrons


$$\hat{P}_{total} = \sum_{all\ hadrons} \hat{P}_h$$

→ use thermodynamics instead of HRG
to describe freeze-out



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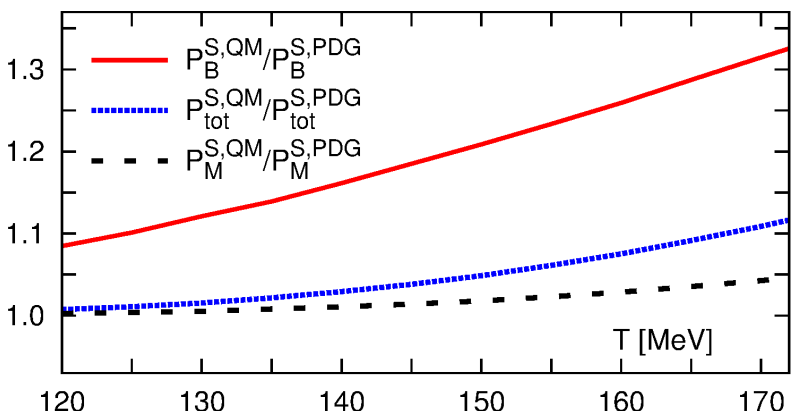
partial pressure of each hadron:

$$\hat{P}_h \sim f(\hat{m}_h) \cosh [B_h \hat{\mu}_h + Q_h \hat{\mu}_Q + S_h \hat{\mu}_S]$$

total pressure given by the sum over all (known) hadrons

$$\hat{P}_{total} = \sum_{all\ hadrons} \hat{P}_h$$

are we sensitive to this?



[Bielefeld-BNL-CCNU, PRL113(2014)072001]

large enhancement of the partial baryonic pressure from additional strange baryons

PDG-HRG uses states listed in the particle data tables

QM-HRG uses states calculated in the quark model

[see also P.Alba, R.Bellwied et al., PRD 96 (2017) 034517]

Quark Model predicts more strange baryons:



[Capstick-Isgur, PRD34 (1986) 2809]

$$P_{tot}^{S,X} = P_M^{S,X} + P_B^{S,X}$$

$$X = \begin{cases} \text{QM resonances} \\ \text{PDG resonances} \end{cases}$$

$$P_{M/B}^{S,X}(T, \vec{\mu}) = \frac{T^4}{2\pi^2}$$

$$\sum_{i \in X} g_i \left(\frac{m_i}{T} \right)^2 K_2(m_i/T) \times \cosh (B_i \hat{\mu}_B + Q_i \hat{\mu}_Q + S_i \hat{\mu}_S)$$

use QCD thermodynamics instead of HRG to describe physics at freeze-out

Taylor expansion of pressure in terms of chemical potentials related to conserved charges

$$\frac{P}{T^4} = \sum_{i,j,k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i!j!k!} \chi_{ijk}^{BQS}(T) \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^i \left(\frac{\mu_Q}{T}\right)^j \left(\frac{\mu_S}{T}\right)^k$$

defines generalized susceptibilities: $\chi_{ijk}^{BQS} = \left. \frac{\partial^{(i+j+k)} [P(T, \hat{\mu}_B, \hat{\mu}_Q, \hat{\mu}_S) / T^4]}{\partial \hat{\mu}_B^i \partial \hat{\mu}_Q^j \partial \hat{\mu}_S^k} \right|_{\vec{\mu}=0}$

**correlations of strangeness
with baryon number fluctuations:**

$$\chi_{11}^{BS} = \left. \frac{\partial^2 [P(T, \hat{\mu}_B, \hat{\mu}_Q, \hat{\mu}_S) / T^4]}{\partial \hat{\mu}_B \partial \hat{\mu}_S} \right|_{\vec{\mu}=0}$$

**second cumulant of net
strangeness fluctuations:**

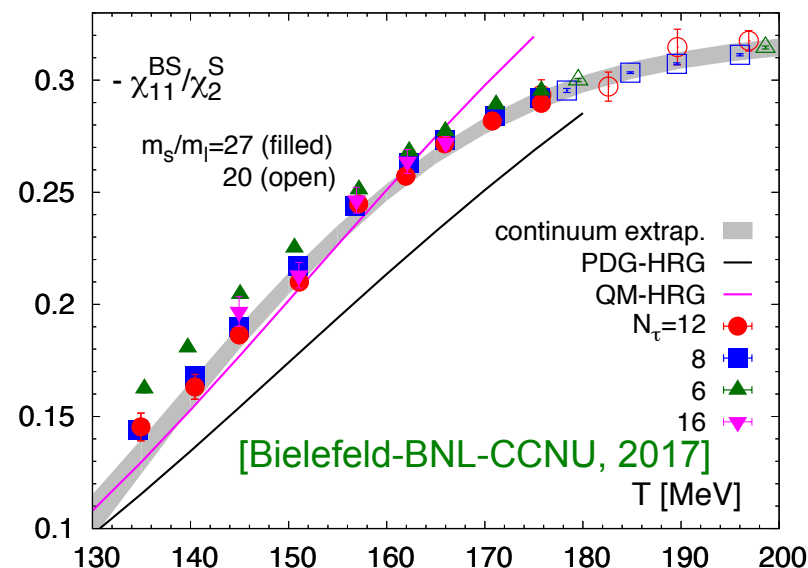
$$\chi_2^S = \left. \frac{\partial^2 [P(T, \hat{\mu}_B, \hat{\mu}_Q, \hat{\mu}_S) / T^4]}{\partial \hat{\mu}_S^2} \right|_{\vec{\mu}=0}$$

suitable ratios like

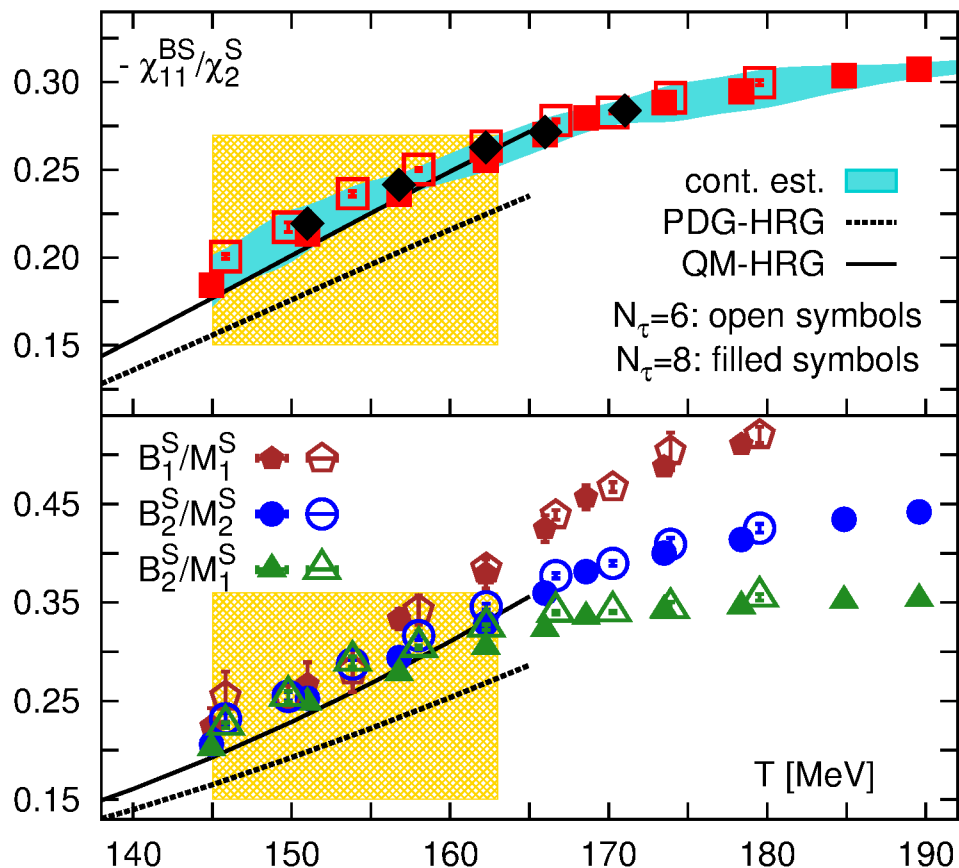
$$\frac{\chi_{11}^{BS}}{\chi_2^S} \begin{cases} \text{strange baryon density} \\ \text{(in a hadron gas)} \\ \text{dominated by strange mesons} \end{cases}$$

are sensitive probes of the strangeness
carrying degrees of freedom

$$\frac{\mu_S}{\mu_B} = -\frac{\chi_{11}^{BS}}{\chi_2^S} + \mathcal{O}(\mu^2)$$



$$\chi_{klm}^{BQS} = \frac{\partial^{(k+l+m)} [P(T, \hat{\mu}_B, \hat{\mu}_Q, \hat{\mu}_S) / T^4]}{\partial \hat{\mu}_B^k \partial \hat{\mu}_Q^l \partial \hat{\mu}_S^m} \bigg|_{\vec{\mu}=0}$$



individual pressure-observables

for open strange mesons (P_M^S in HRG):

$$M_1^S = \chi_2^S - \chi_{22}^{BS}$$

$$M_2^S = \frac{1}{12} (\chi_4^S + 11\chi_2^S) + \frac{1}{2} (\chi_{11}^{BS} + \chi_{13}^{BS})$$

for strange baryons (P_B^S in HRG):

$$B_1^S = -\frac{1}{6} (11\chi_{11}^{BS} + 6\chi_{22}^{BS} + \chi_{13}^{BS})$$

$$B_2^S = \frac{1}{12} (\chi_4^S - \chi_2^S) - \frac{1}{3} (4\chi_{11}^{BS} - \chi_{13}^{BS})$$

all give identical results in a gas of uncorrelated hadrons

yield widely different results when the degrees of freedom are quarks

→ QM-HRG model calculations are in good agreement with LQCD up to the chiral crossover region

→ evidence for the existence of additional strange baryons

and their thermodynamic importance below the QCD crossover

initial nuclei in a heavy ion collision are net strangeness free + iso-spin asymmetry

$$\langle n_Q \rangle = r \langle n_B \rangle$$

→ the HRG at the chemical freeze-out must also be strangeness neutral

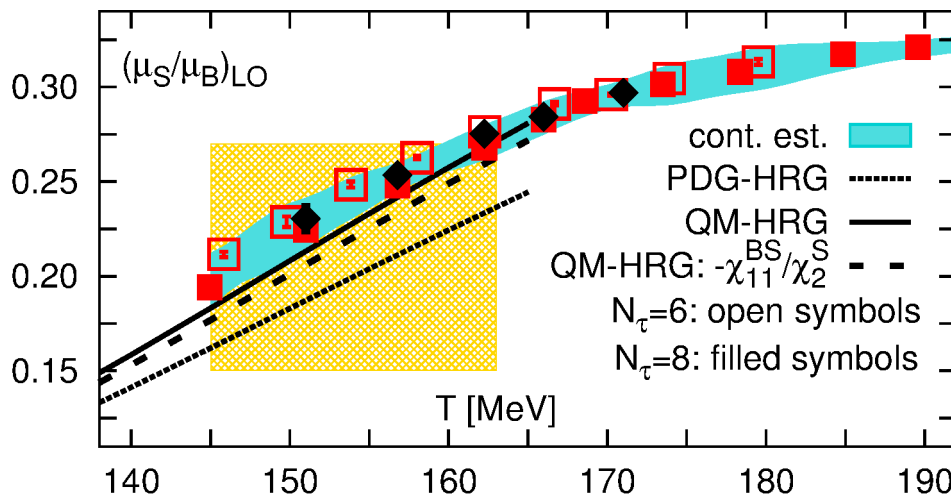
→ thermal parameters T , μ_B and μ_S are related

$$\frac{\mu_S}{\mu_B} = s_1(T) + s_3(T) \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T} \right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^4)$$

small for $\mu_B \lesssim 200 \text{ MeV}$

$$\left(\frac{\mu_S}{\mu_B} \right)_{\text{LO}} \equiv s_1(T) = -\frac{\chi_{11}^{BS}}{\chi_2^S} - \frac{\chi_{11}^{QS}}{\chi_2^S} \frac{\mu_Q}{\mu_B}$$

small correction from nonzero electric charge chemical potential



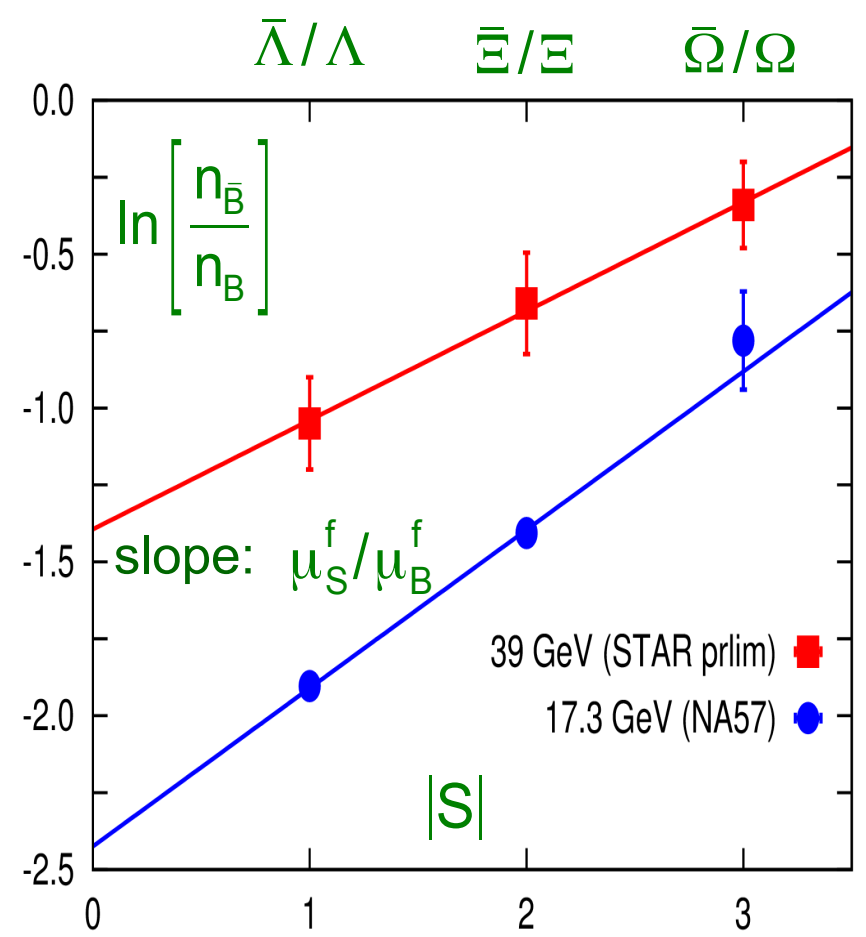
Lattice QCD results well reproduced
by QM-HRG in the crossover region

for a given μ_S/μ_B

QM-HRG would give a smaller
temperature compared to PDG-HRG

relative yields of strange anti-baryons ($\bar{H}_S$) to baryons (H_S) can be used to determine freeze-out parameters μ_B^f/T^f and μ_S^f/μ_B^f from experiment

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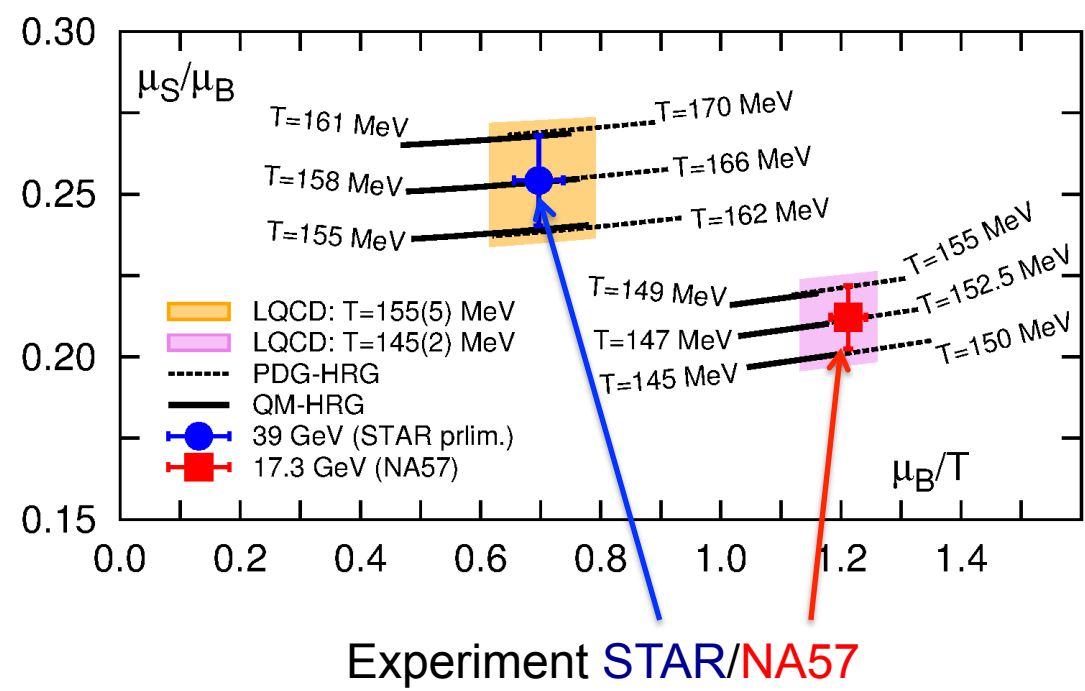
only assumes that
hadron yields are thermal

compare results for μ_B/T and μ_S/μ_B
to Lattice QCD
to obtain **freeze-out T**

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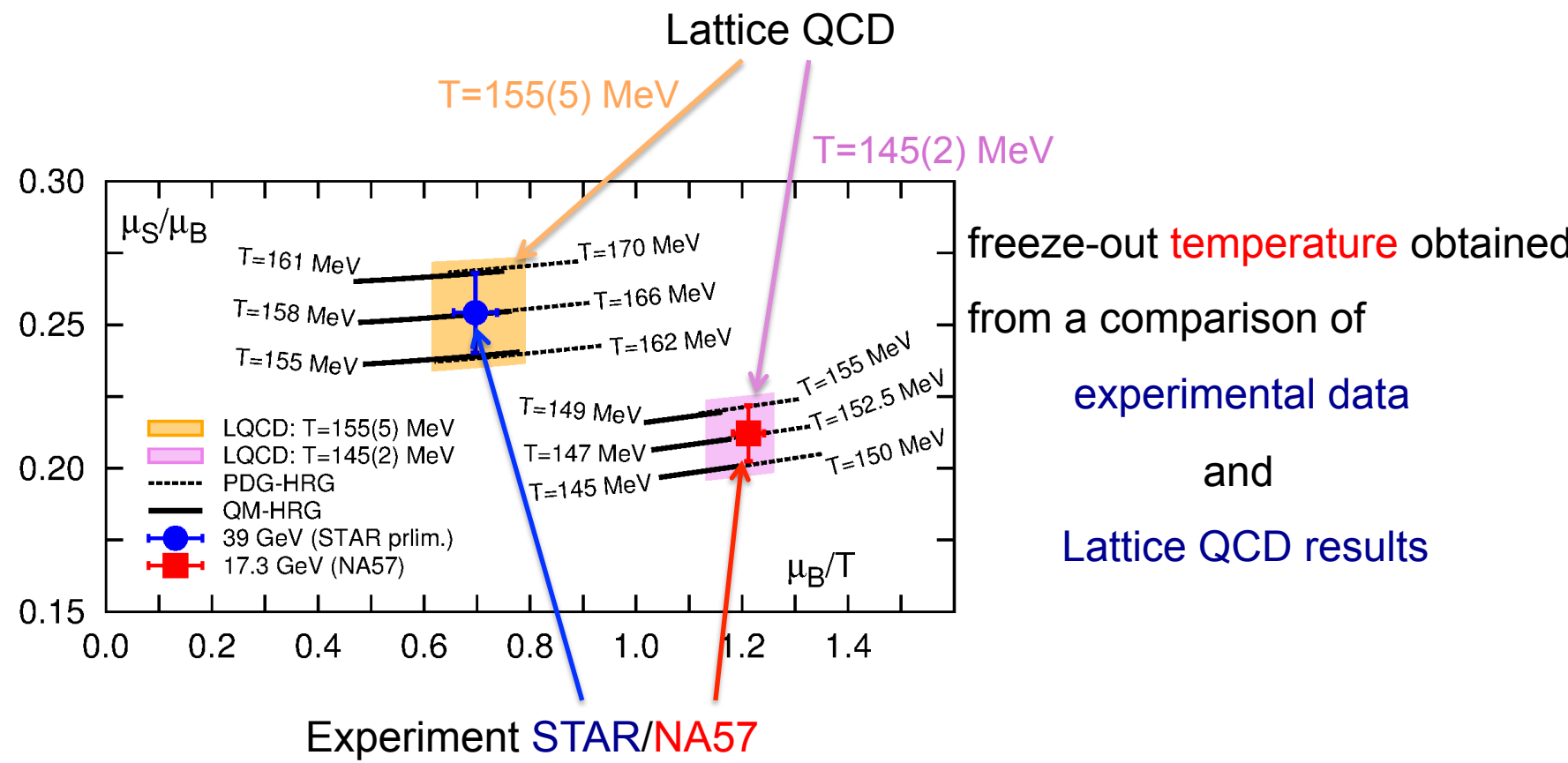
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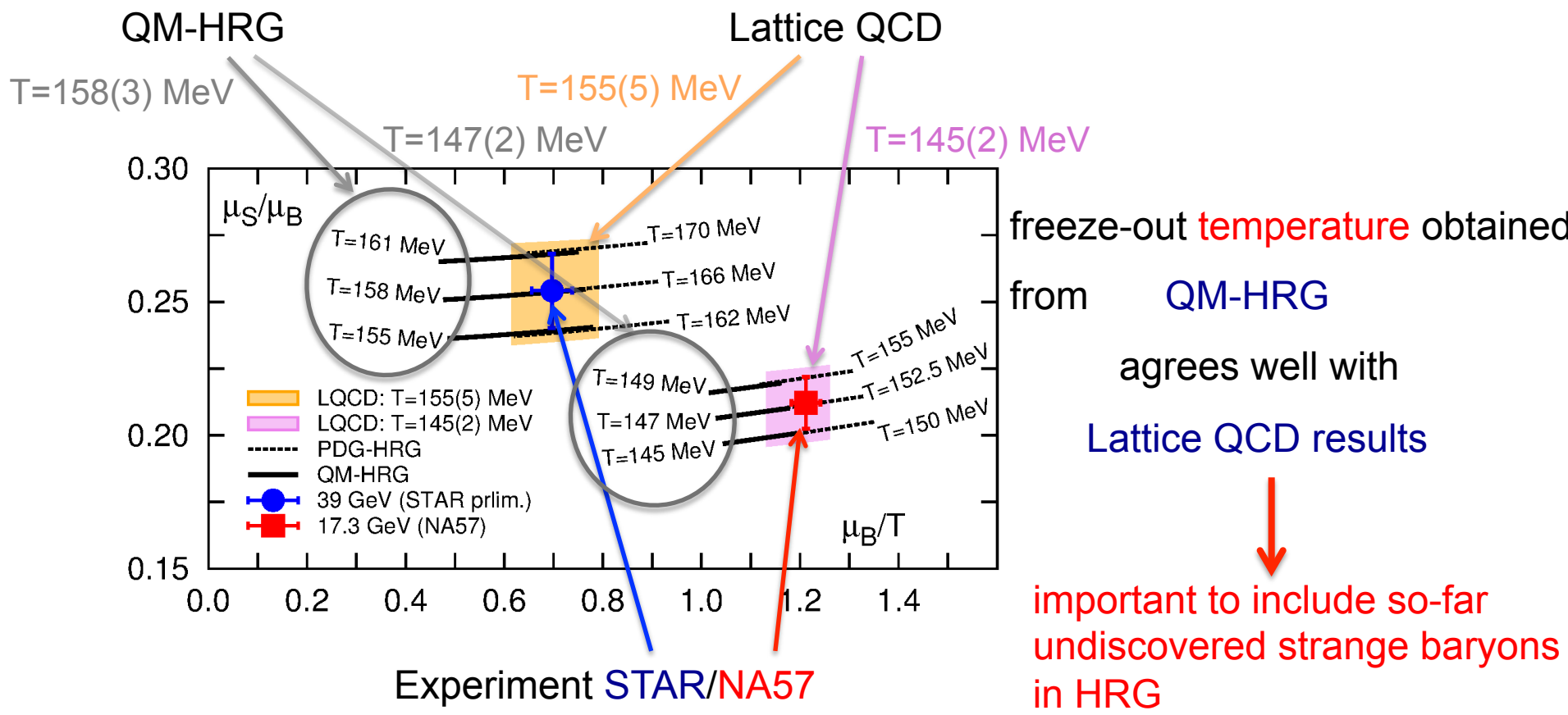
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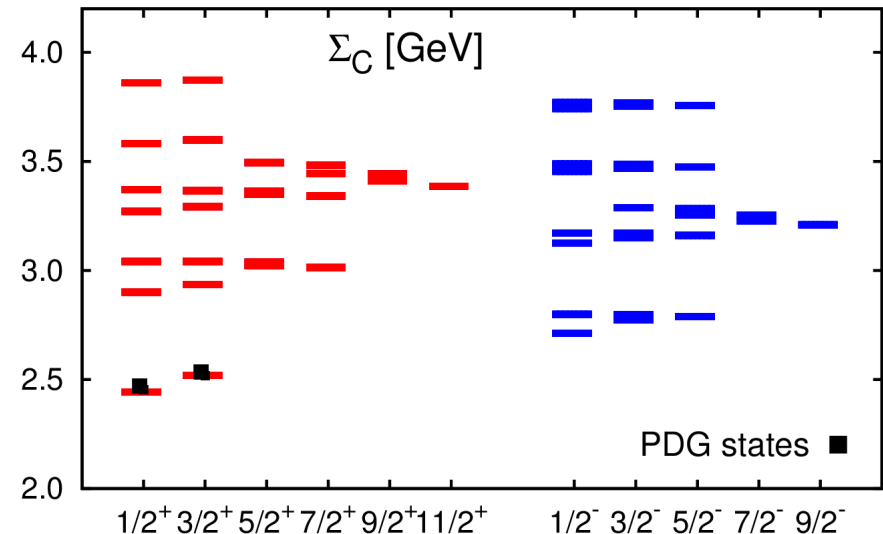
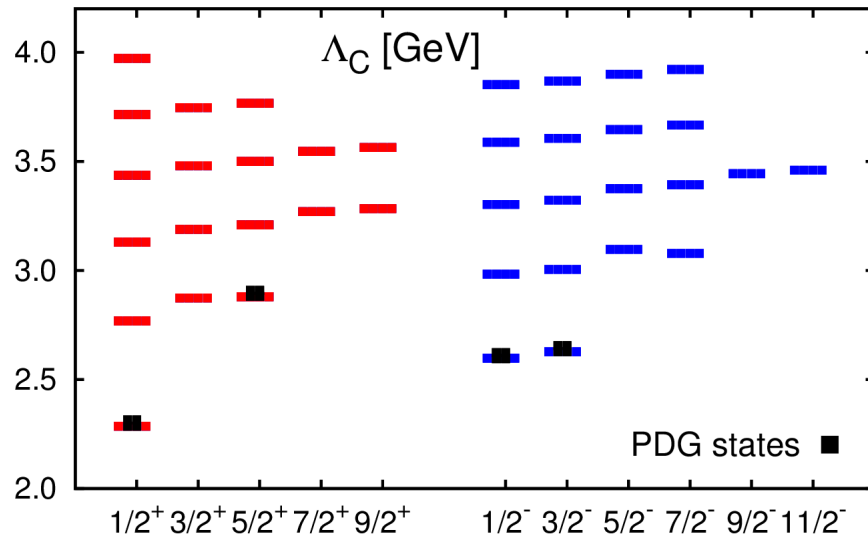
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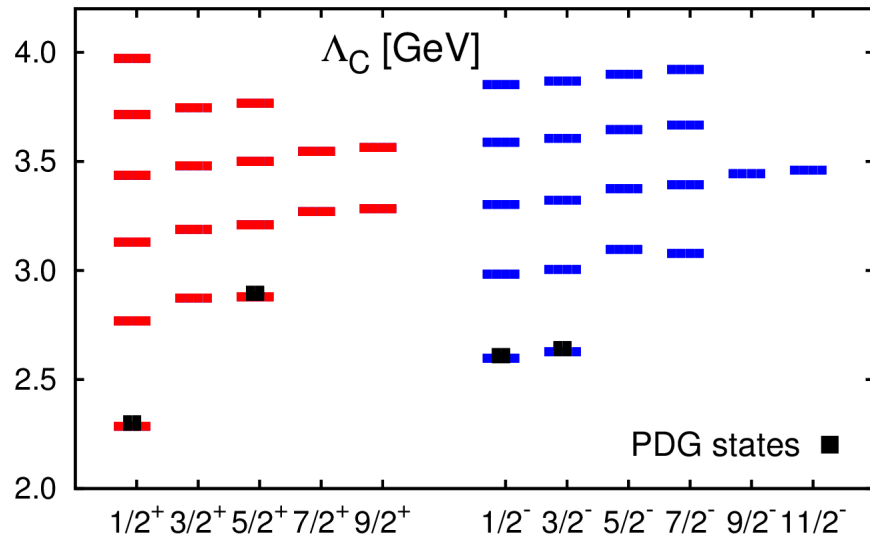
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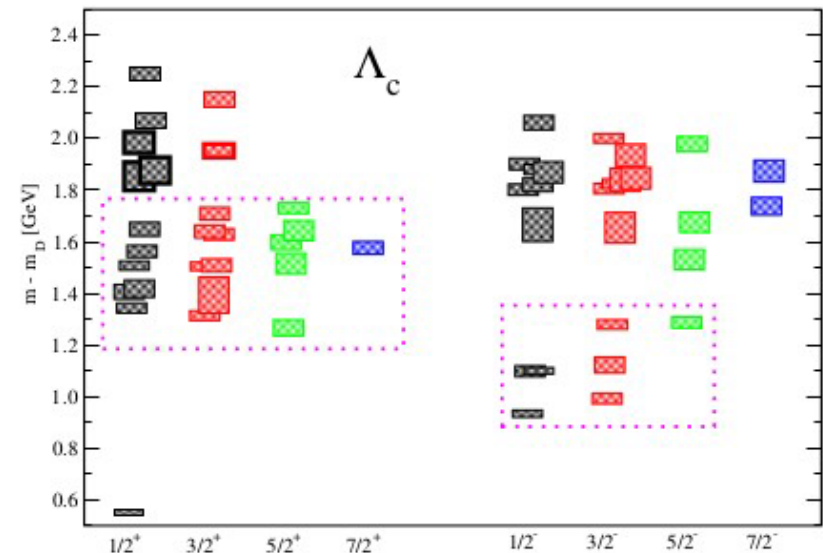
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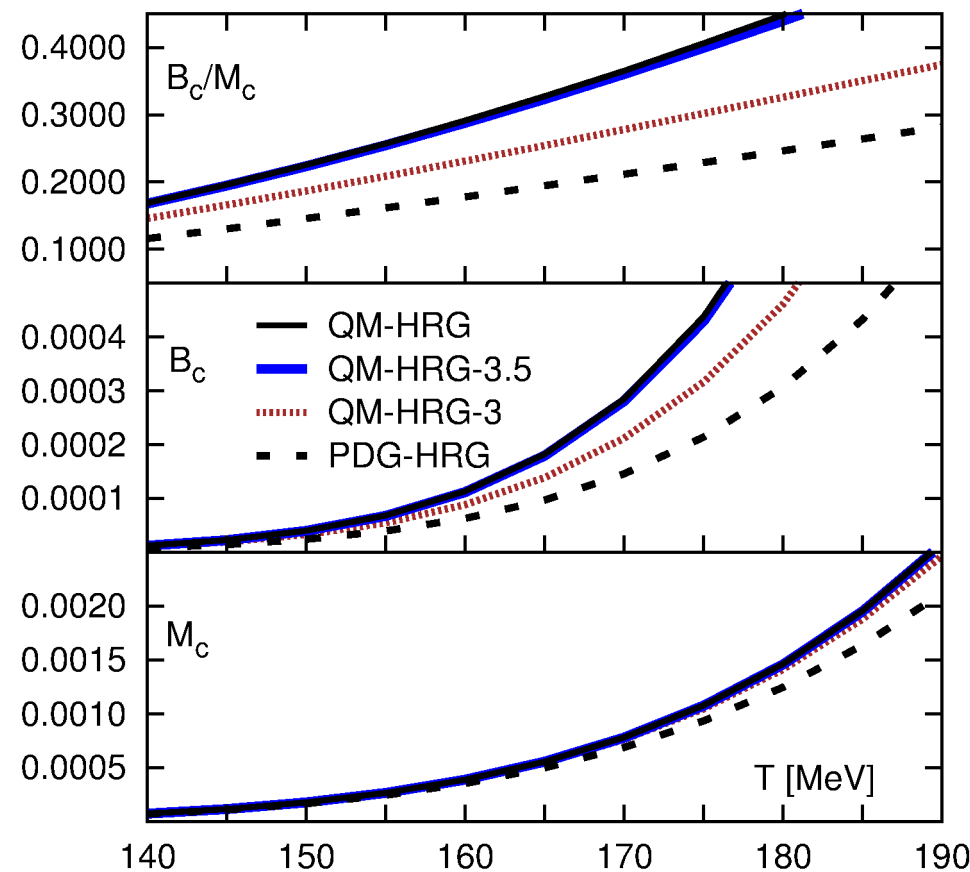
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partial pressure P of all open charm hadrons
can be separated into mesonic P_M and baryonic P_B components

$$P_{\text{tot}}^{C,X} = P_M^{C,X} + P_B^{C,X}$$

$$P_{M/B}^{C,X}(T, \vec{\mu}) = \frac{T^4}{2\pi^2} \sum_{i \in X} g_i \left(\frac{m_i}{T}\right)^2 K_2(m_i/T)$$

$$\times \cosh(B_i \hat{\mu}_B + Q_i \hat{\mu}_Q + S_i \hat{\mu}_S + C_i \hat{\mu}_C)$$



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Taylor expansion of pressure in terms of chemical potentials related to conserved charges

$$\frac{P}{T^4} = \sum_{k,l,m,n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!l!m!n!} \chi_{klmn}^{BQSC}(T) \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^k \left(\frac{\mu_Q}{T}\right)^l \left(\frac{\mu_S}{T}\right)^m \left(\frac{\mu_C}{T}\right)^n$$

generalized susceptibilities of conserved charges

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are sensitive to the underlying degrees of freedom

charm contributions to pressure in a hadron gas:

$$P^C = P_M^C \cosh(\hat{\mu}_C) + \sum_{k=1,2,3} P_B^{C=k} \cosh(B\hat{\mu}_B + k\hat{\mu}_C)$$

partial pressure of open-charm mesons and charmed baryons depends on hadron spectra

$$\chi_{mn}^{BC} = B^m P_B^{C=1} + B^m 2^n P_B^{C=2} + B^m 3^n P_B^{C=3} \simeq B^m P_B^{C=1}$$

relative contribution of C=2 and C=3 baryons negligible

ratios independent of the detailed spectrum and sensitive to special sectors:

charmed baryon sector	$\frac{\chi_{mn}^{BC}}{\chi_{m+1,n-1}^{BC}} = B^{-1}$	=1 when DoF are hadronic =3 when DoF are quarks	$\frac{\chi_{mn}^{BC}}{\chi_{m,n+2}^{BC}} = 1$ always
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[A.Bazavov, H.T.Ding, P.Hegde, OK et al., PLB737 (2014) 210]

2+1 flavor HISQ with almost physical quark masses

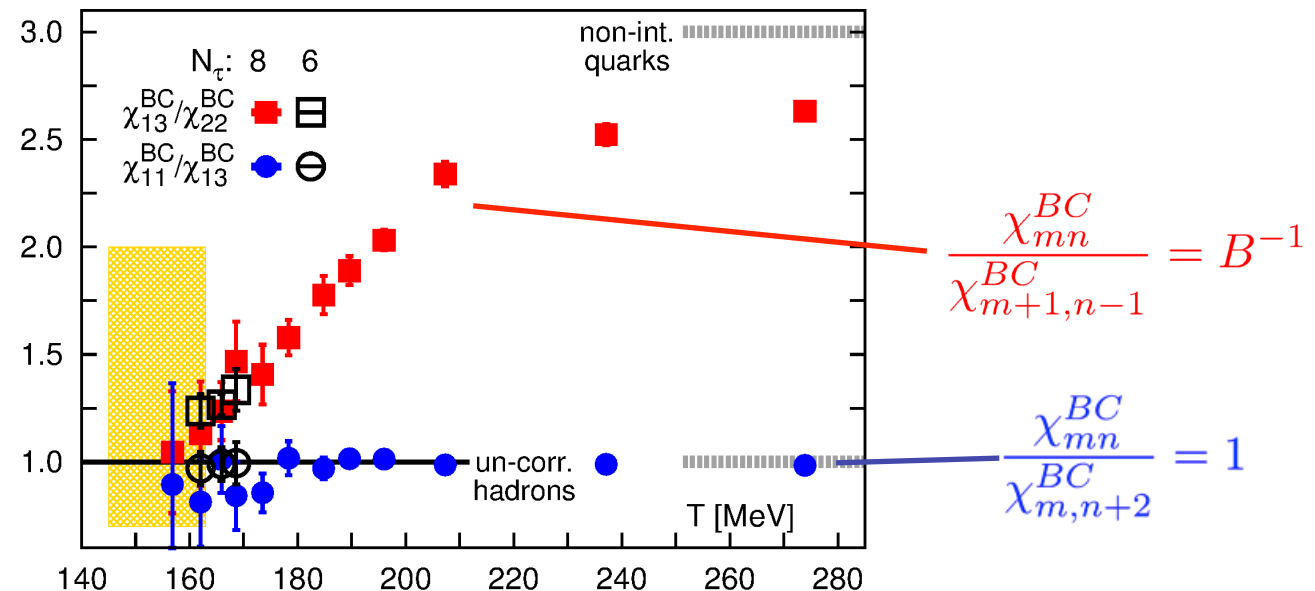
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charmed baryon sector



→ indications that charmed baryons start to dissolve already close to the chiral crossover

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$$\chi_k^C = P_M^C + 2^n P_B^{C=2} + 3^n P_B^{C=3} \simeq P_M^C + P_B^{C=1}$$

ratios independent of the detailed spectrum and sensitive to special sectors:

partial pressure of open-charm mesons:

open charm
meson sector

$$P_M^C = \chi_2^C - \chi_{22}^{BC} = \chi_4^C - \chi_{13}^{BC}$$

$$\frac{\chi_4^C}{\chi_2^C} = 1$$

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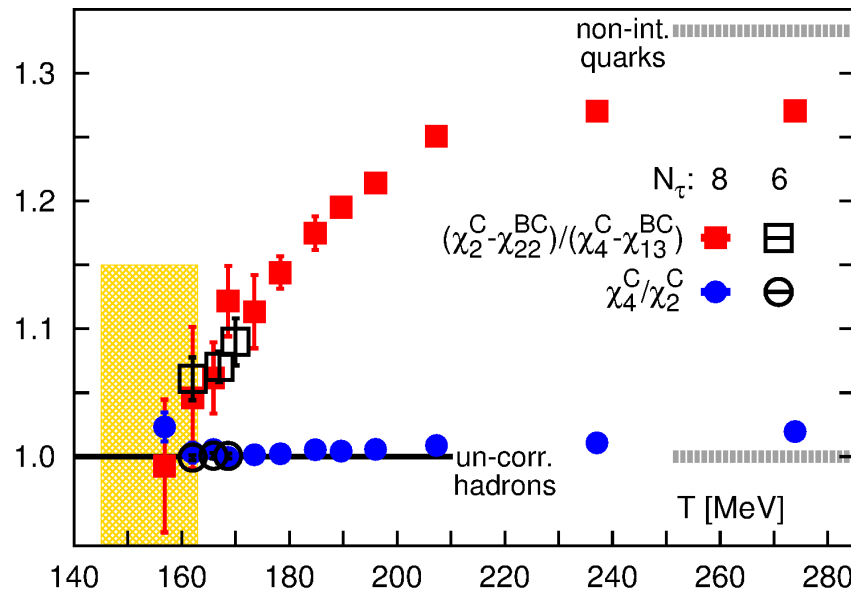
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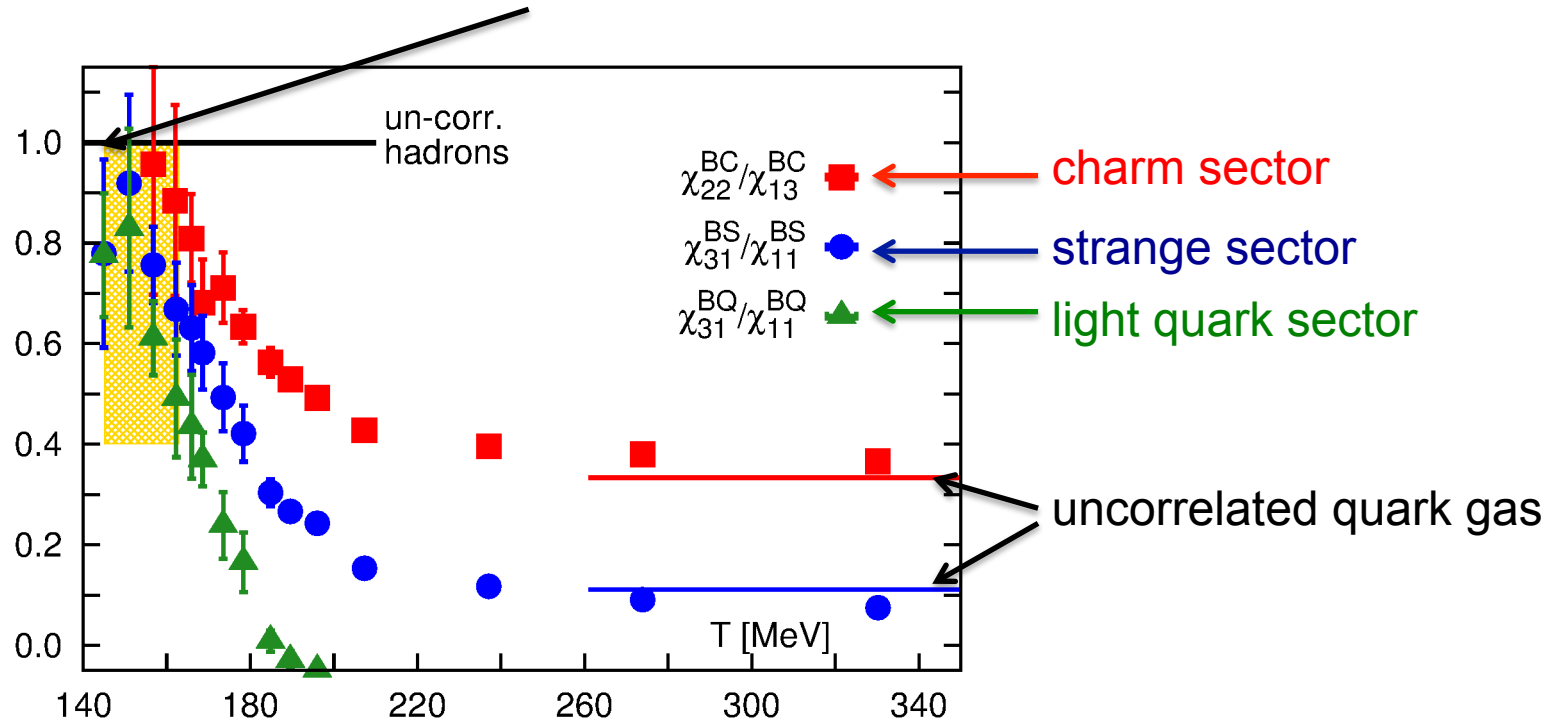
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ratios of BC, BS, and BQ correlations
unity in a gas of uncorrelated hadrons

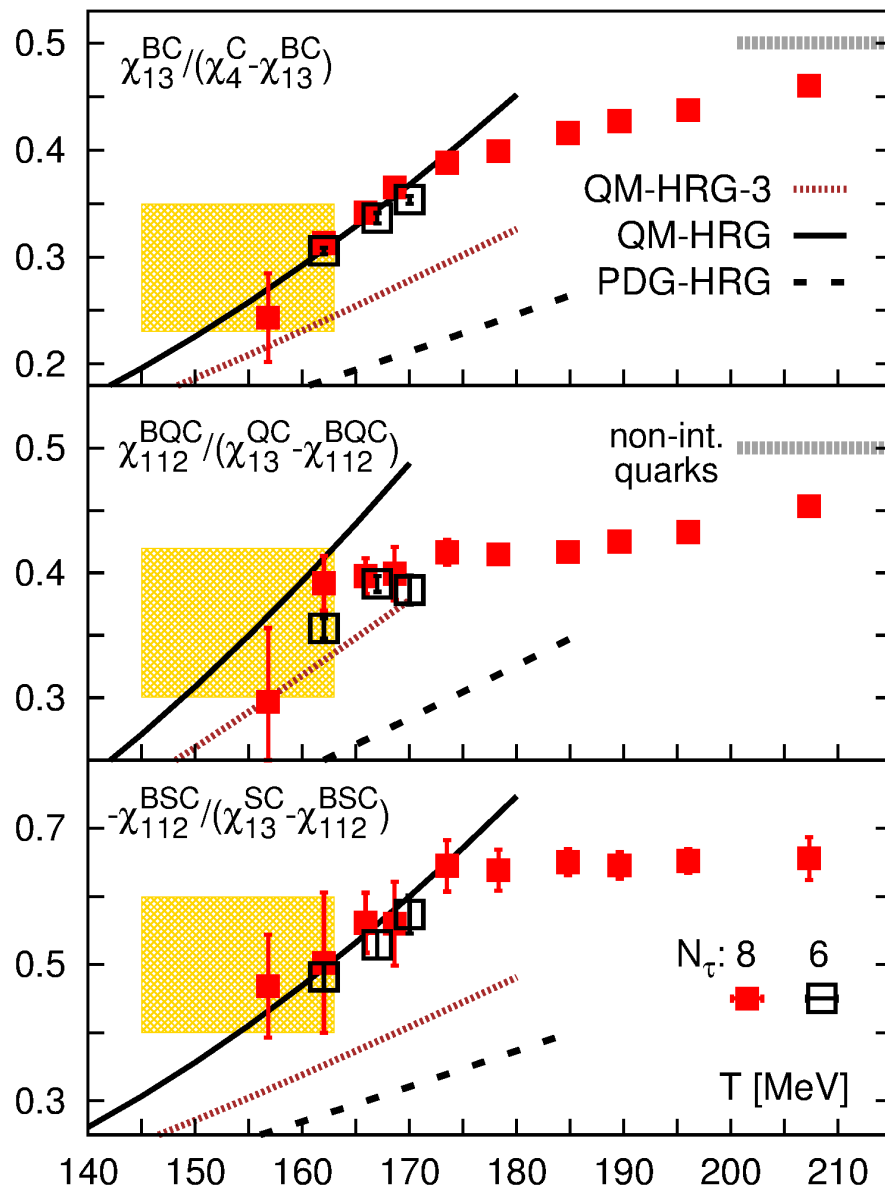


A. Bazavov et al., Phys.Lett.B 737 (2014) 210]

→ charmed hadrons start to deconfine around the chiral crossover region

→ strange hadrons start to deconfine around the chiral crossover region

charmed pressure ratios are sensitive to the charm hadron spectrum



charmed baryon to meson ratio

$$R_{13}^{BC} = \frac{\chi_{13}^{BC}}{M_C} = \frac{B_C}{M_C}$$

$$M_C \simeq \chi_4^C - \chi_{13}^{BC}$$

charged charmed baryon to meson ratio

$$R_{13}^{QC} = \frac{\chi_{112}^{BQC}}{M_{QC}}$$

$$M_{QC} \simeq \chi_{13}^{QC} - \chi_{112}^{BQC}$$

strange charmed baryon to meson ratio

$$R_{13}^{SC} = -\frac{\chi_{112}^{BSC}}{M_{SC}}$$

$$M_{SC} \simeq \chi_{13}^{SC} - \chi_{112}^{BSC}$$

→ important to include so-far undiscovered open charm hadrons in HRG

Taylor expansion of pressure in terms of chemical potentials related to conserved charges

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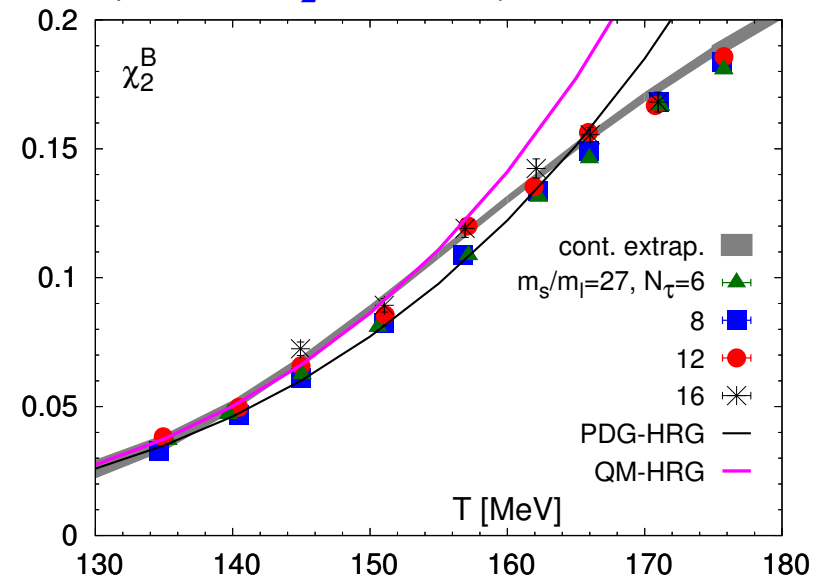
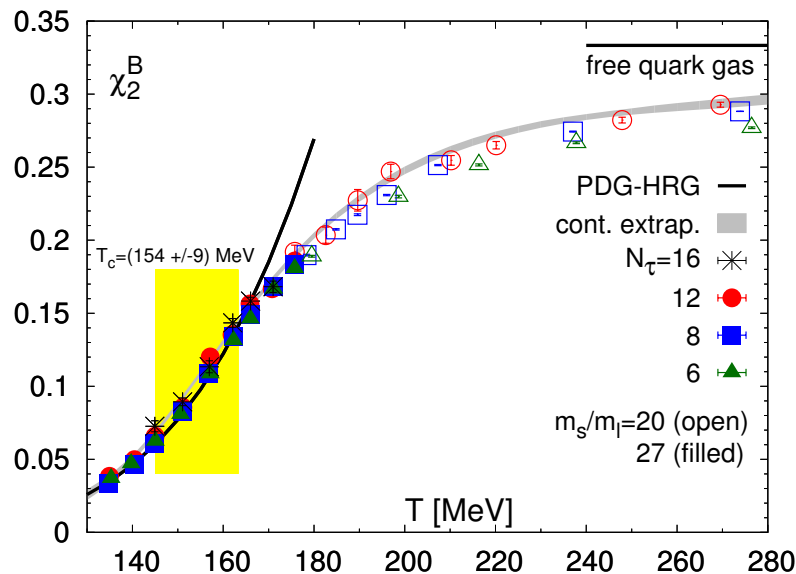
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variance of net-baryon
number distribution

kurtosis*variance $\kappa_B \sigma_B^2$

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[Bielefeld-BNL-CCNU, PRD 95 (2017) 054504]

good agreement with HRG in crossover region

using the extended QM-HRG model

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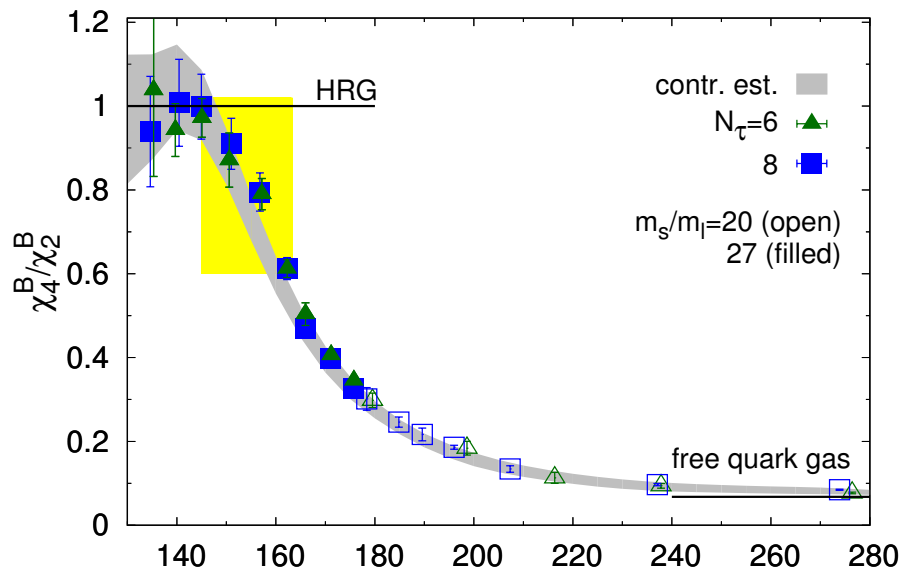
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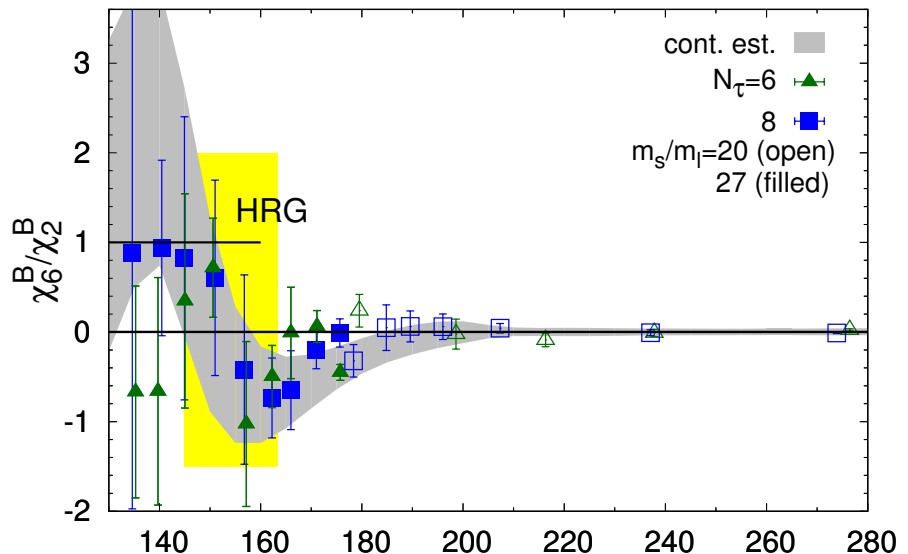
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T [MeV] [Bielefeld-BNL-CCNU, PRD 95 (2017) 054504] T [MeV]

good agreement with HRG up to crossover region



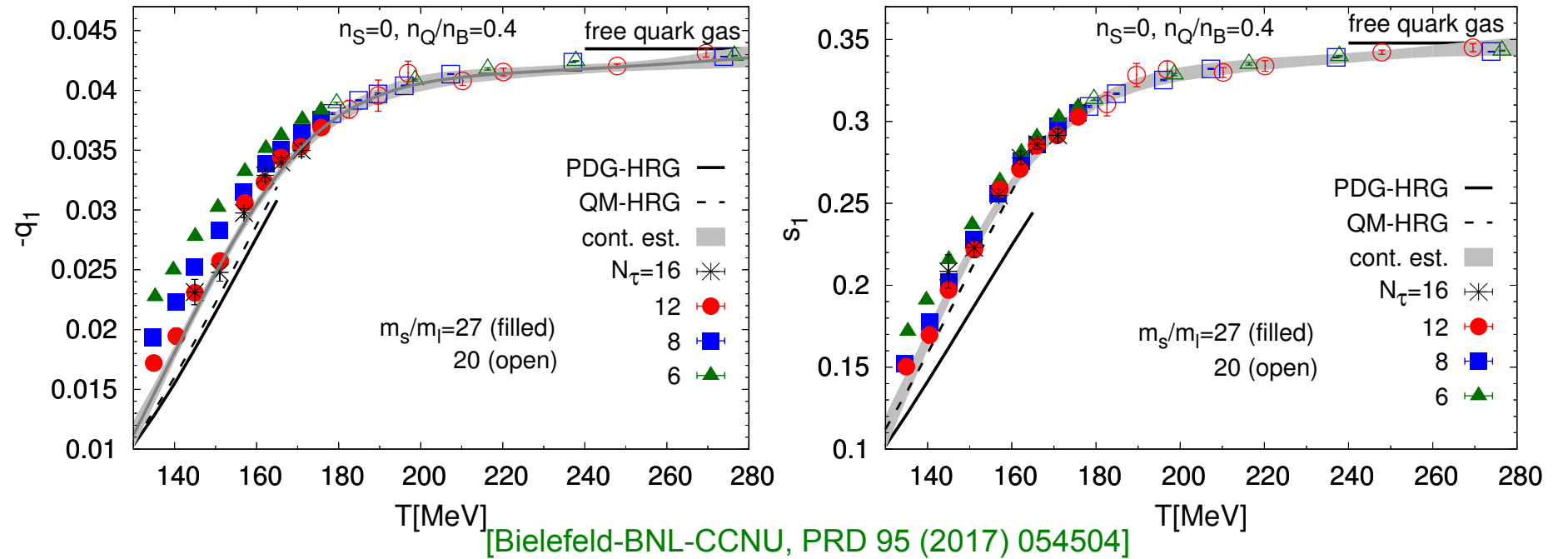
deviations from HRG in crossover region

Constraints in heavy-ion collisions: $n_S = 0$, $\frac{n_Q}{n_B} = r = 0.4$

strangeness neutrality and fixed **electric charge to baryon-number ratio**

→ constraints for the chemical potentials μ_Q , μ_S and μ_B

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mu}_Q(T, \mu_B) &= q_1(T)\hat{\mu}_B + q_3(T)\hat{\mu}_B^3 + q_5(T)\hat{\mu}_B^5 + \dots \\ \hat{\mu}_S(T, \mu_B) &= s_1(T)\hat{\mu}_B + s_3(T)\hat{\mu}_B^3 + s_5(T)\hat{\mu}_B^5 + \dots\end{aligned}$$

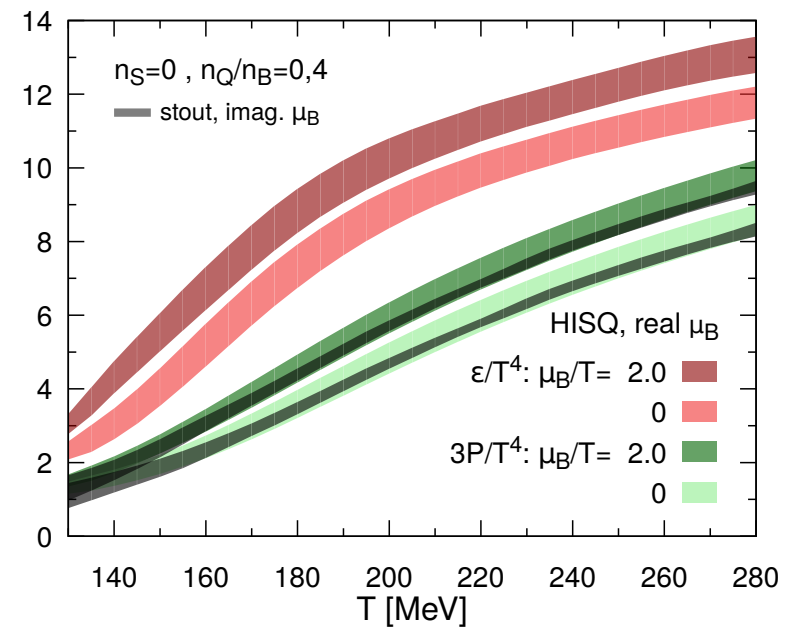
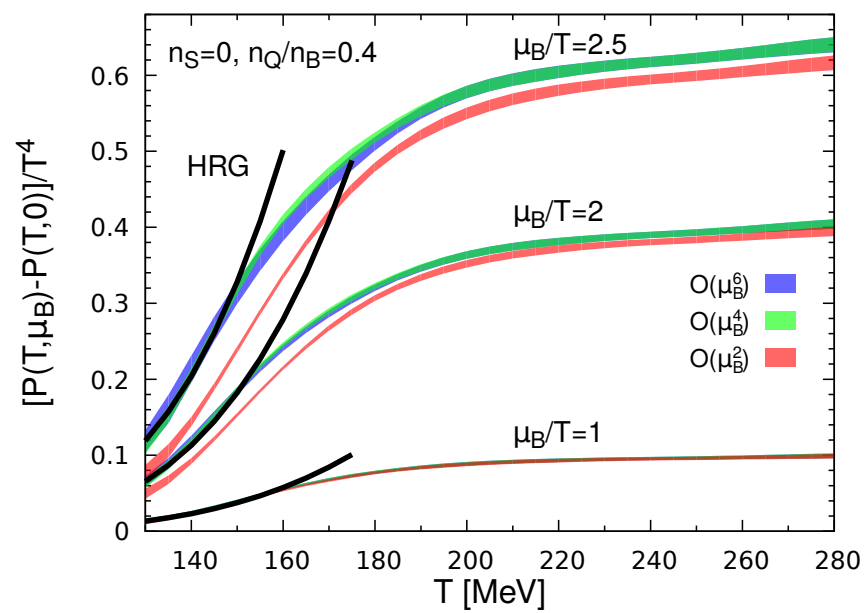


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& $\mu_B/T \geq 0$ in [Bielefeld-BNL-CCNU, PRD 95(2017)054504]

HISQ: [Bielefeld-BNL-CCNU, PRD95(2017)054504]
stout: [Wuppertal-Budapest, arXiv:1607.02493]

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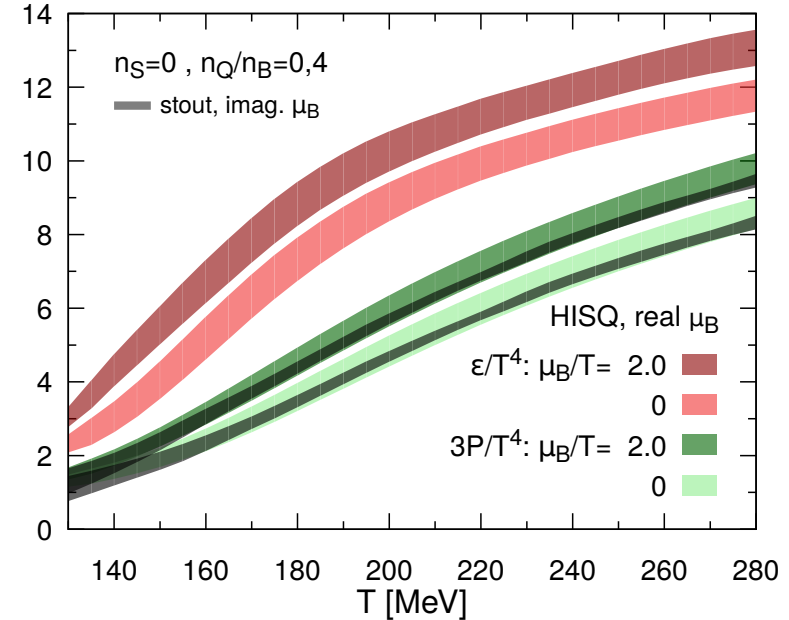
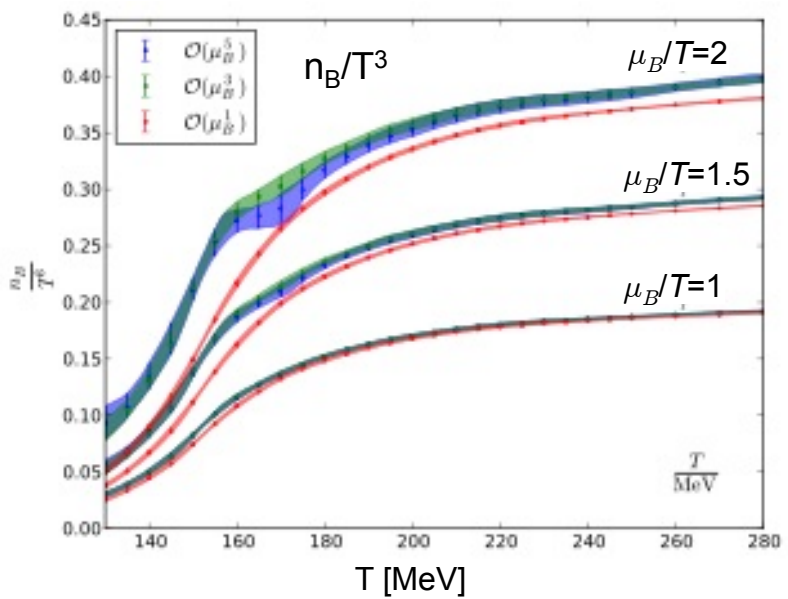
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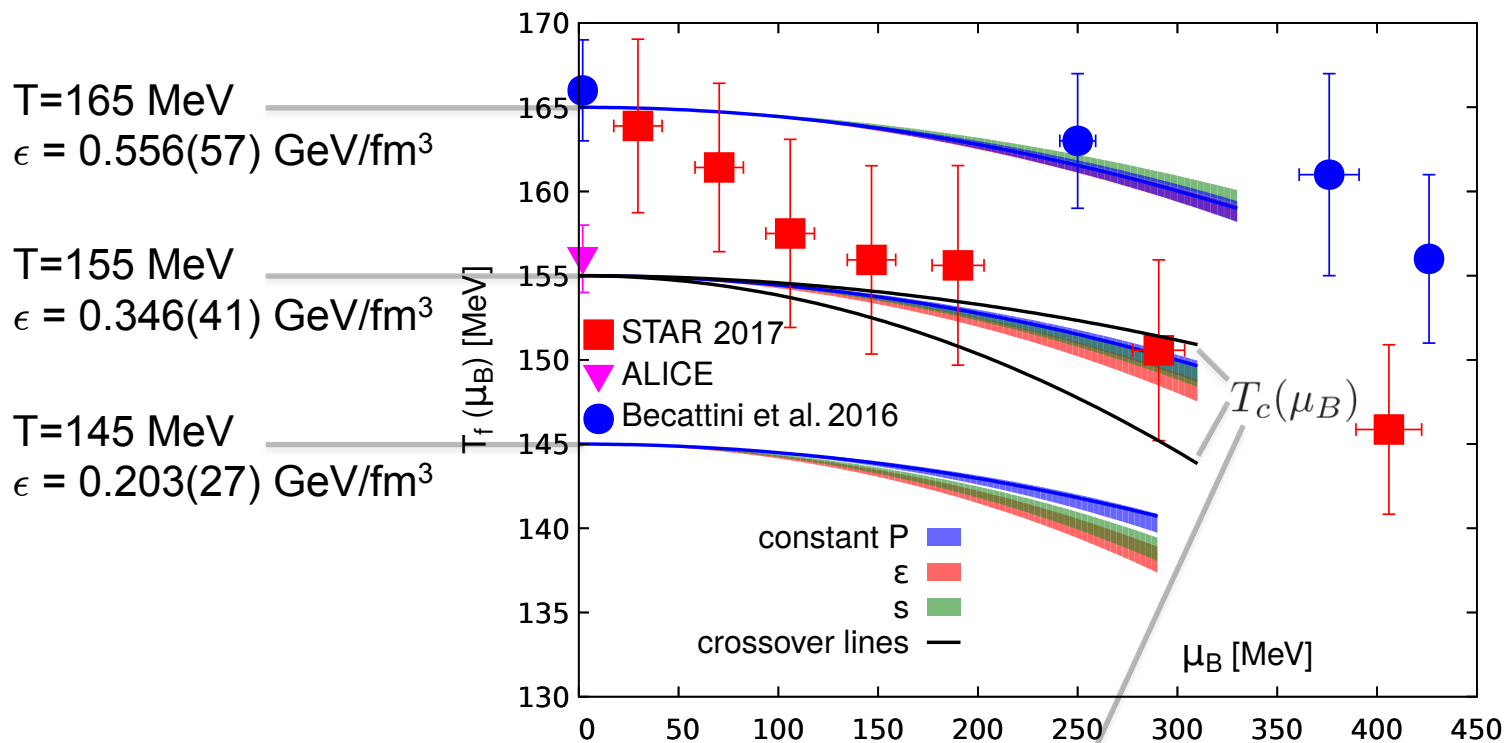
Thermal conditions at chemical freeze-out / hadronization characterized by lines of constant **pressure**, **energy** and **entropy** densities?

$$T_f(\mu_B) = T_0 \left(1 - \kappa_2^f \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T_0} \right)^2 - \kappa_4^f \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T_0} \right)^4 \right)$$

$$0.0064 \leq \kappa_2^P \leq 0.0101$$

$$0.0087 \leq \kappa_2^\epsilon \leq 0.012$$

$$0.0074 \leq \kappa_2^s \leq 0.011$$

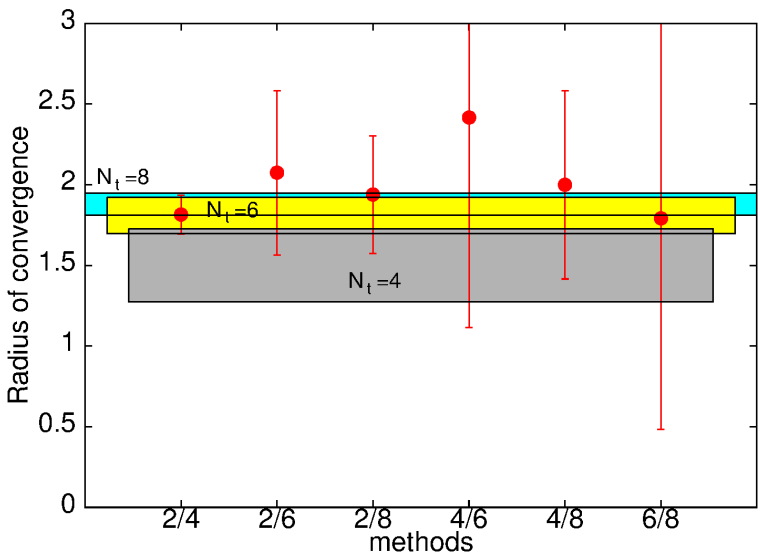


compare well with estimates of the crossover line: $T_c(\mu_B) = T_c(0) \left(1 - \kappa_2^c \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T_c(0)} \right)^2 \right)$

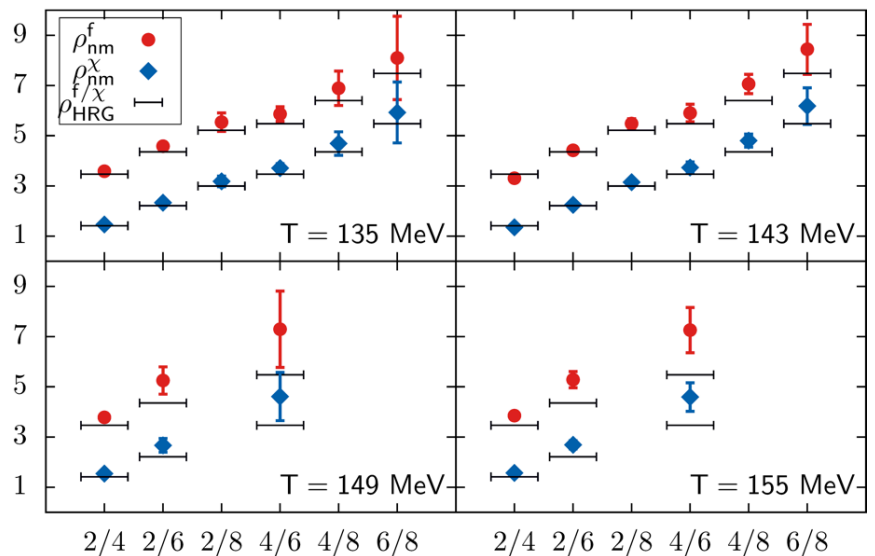
[Bielefeld-BNL-CCNU (2011), Endrodi et al. (2011),
Bellwied et al. (2015), Cea et al. (2016), Bonati et al. (2015)]

$$0.0066 \leq \kappa_2^c \leq 0.020$$

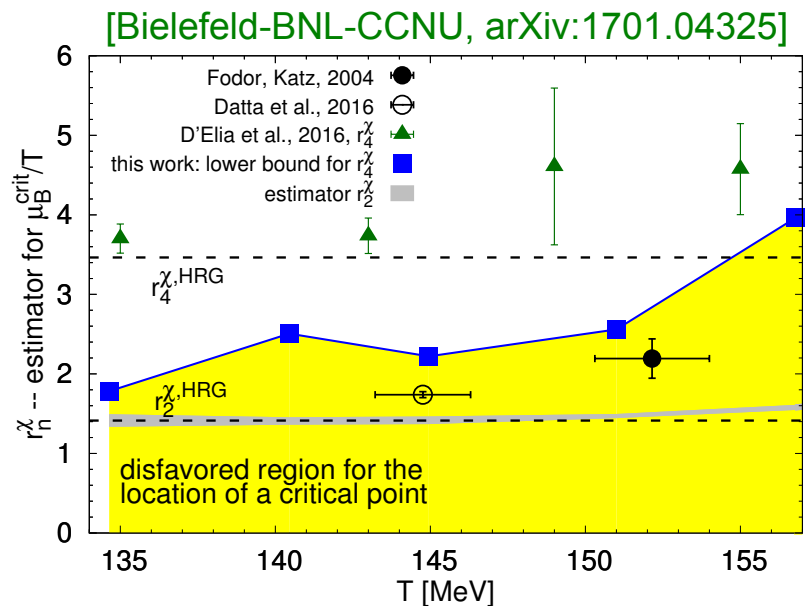
estimated from Taylor expansion of pressure or baryon-number susceptibility



[S.Datta, R.V. Gavai, S. Gupta, arXiv:1612.06673]



[M.D'Elia, G.Gagliardi, F.Sanfilippo, arXiv:1611.08285]



[Bielefeld-BNL-CCNU, arXiv:1701.04325]

$$r_{2n}^{\chi} = \left| \frac{2n(2n-1)\chi_{2n}^B}{\chi_{2n+2}^B} \right|^{1/2}$$

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with $\hat{\mu}_X = \mu_X / T$

generalized susceptibilities
calculated at zero μ

cumulants of net-charge fluctuations
measured at the freeze out

Lattice QCD

$$\begin{aligned} VT^3 \chi_2^X &= \langle (\delta N_X)^2 \rangle \\ VT^3 \chi_4^X &= \langle (\delta N_X)^4 \rangle - 3 \langle (\delta N_X)^2 \rangle^2 \\ VT^3 \chi_6^X &= \langle (\delta N_X)^6 \rangle \\ &\quad - 15 \langle (\delta N_X)^4 \rangle \langle (\delta N_X)^2 \rangle \\ &\quad + 30 \langle (\delta N_X)^2 \rangle^3 \end{aligned}$$

Experiment

$$\delta N_X \equiv N_X - \langle N_x \rangle$$

higher order cumulants characterize the shape of conserved charge distributions

$$S_q \sigma_q = \frac{\chi_3^q}{\chi_2^q}$$
$$\kappa_q \sigma_q^2 = \frac{\chi_4^q}{\chi_2^q}$$

$q = B, Q, S$

mean: $\langle \delta N_q \rangle \equiv \langle N_q - N_{\bar{q}} \rangle$

variance: $\sigma_q^2 \equiv \langle (\delta N_q)^2 \rangle - \langle \delta N_q \rangle^2$

skewness: $S_q \equiv \langle (\delta N_q)^3 \rangle / \sigma_q^3$

kurtosis: $\kappa_q \equiv \langle (\delta N_q)^4 \rangle / \sigma_q^4 - 3$

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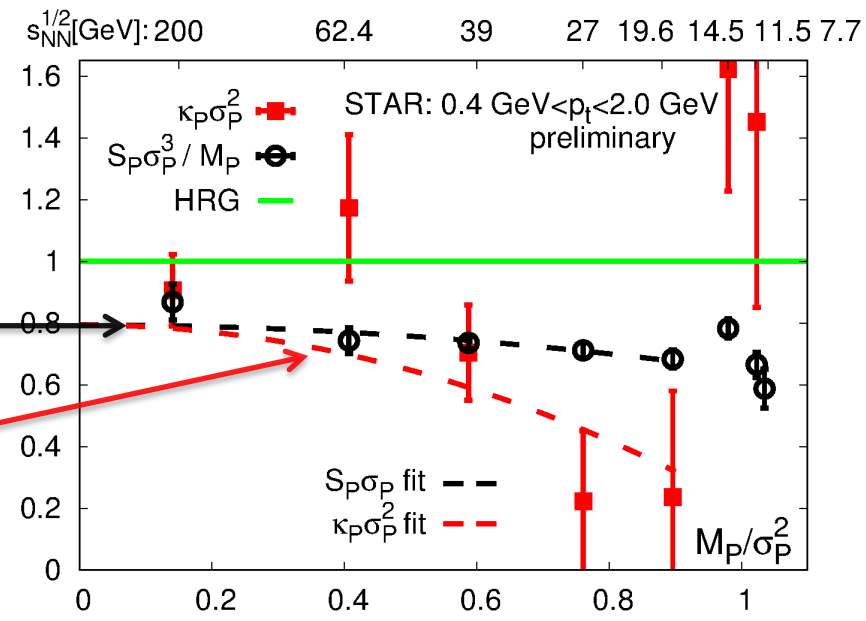
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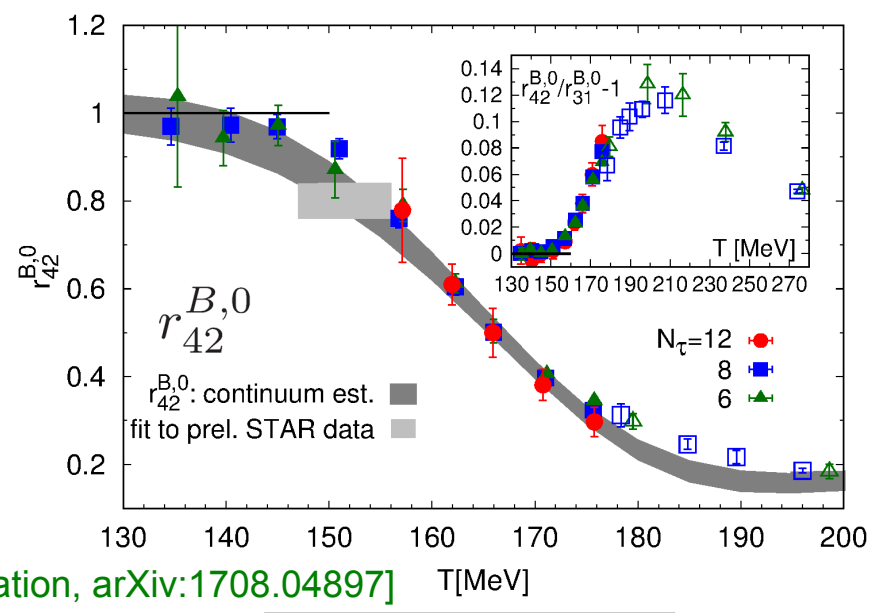
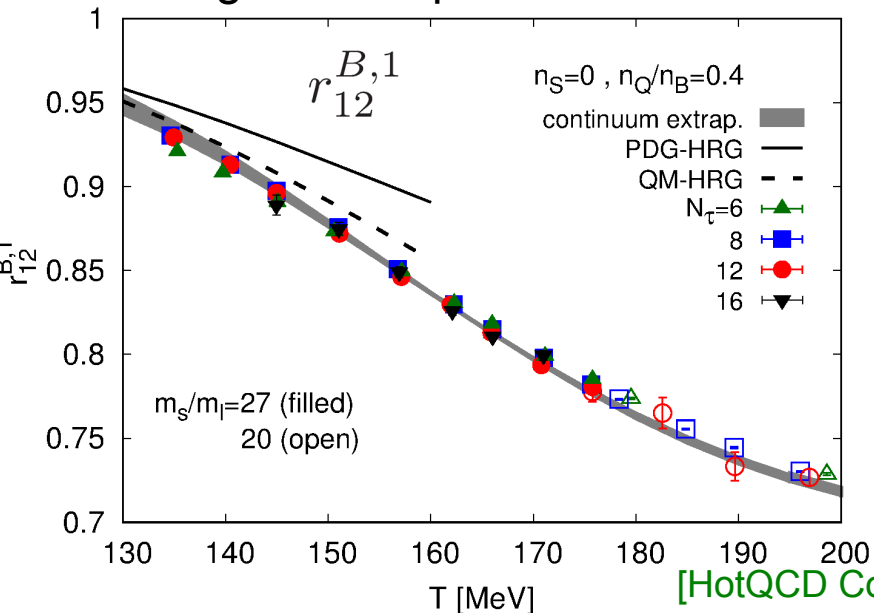
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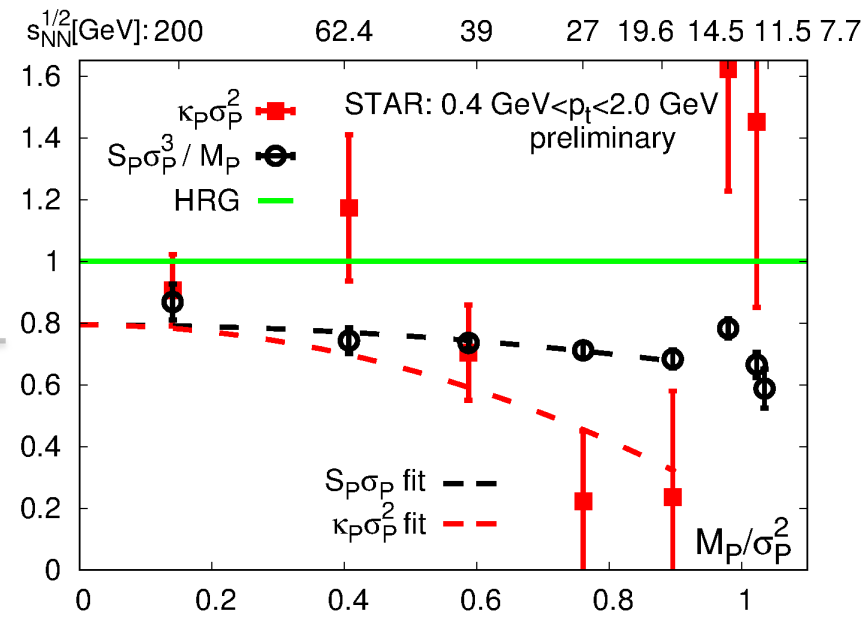
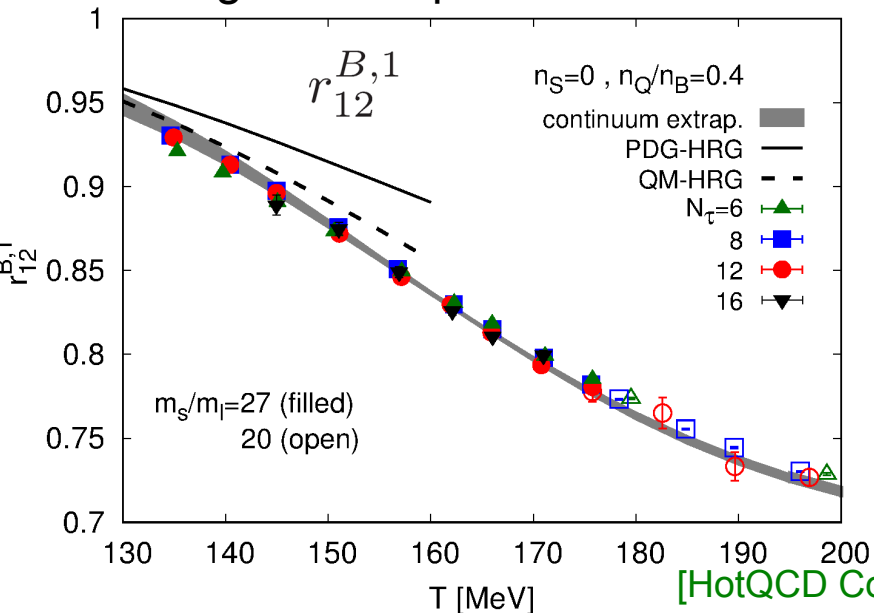
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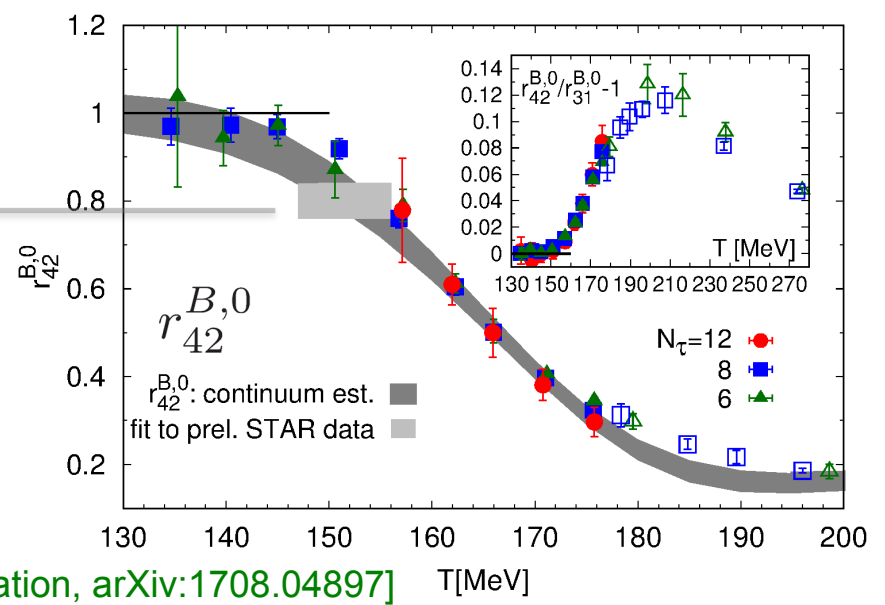
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for $\mu/T \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow T_{f,0} = 153(5) \text{ MeV}$



NLO expansion of ratios of cumulants
on lines of constant physics:

$$R_{12}^B(T, \mu_B) = r_{12}^{B,1} \hat{\mu}_B + r_{12,f}^{B,3} \hat{\mu}_B^3$$

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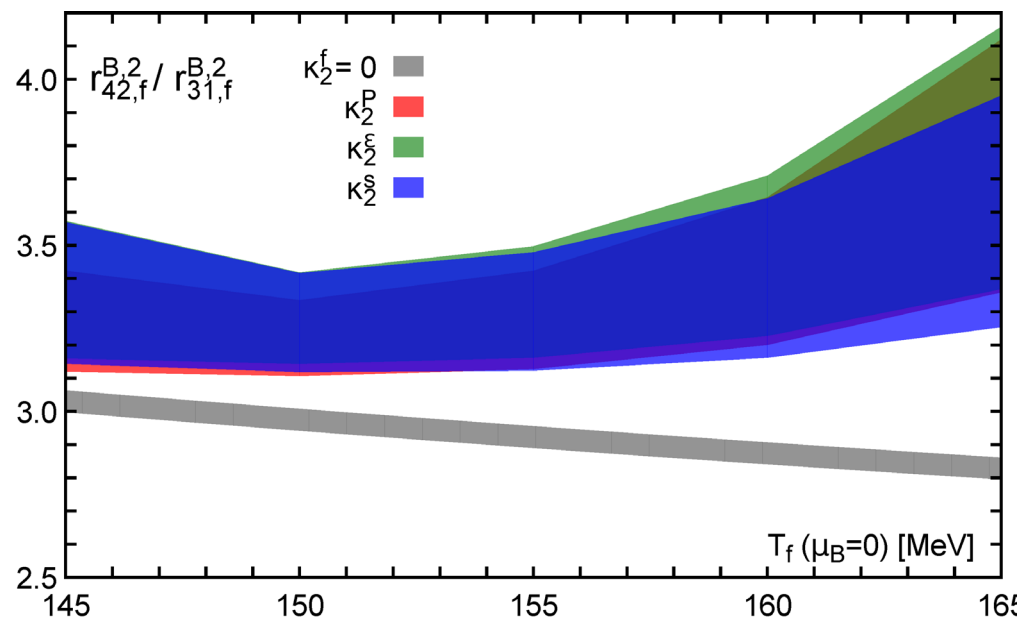
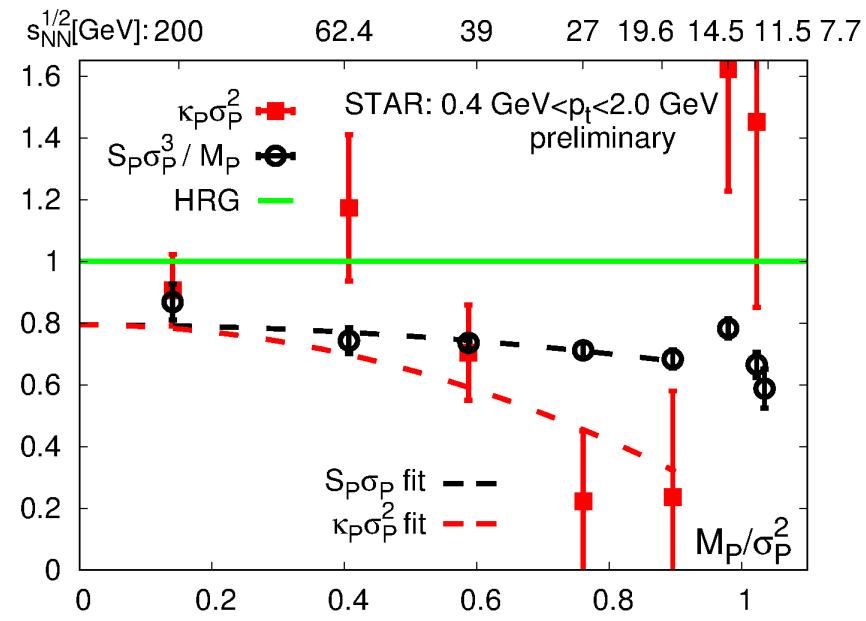
Ratio of slopes from STAR = 3.9(2.1)

compares well with QCD predictions

$$\frac{r_{42,f}^{B,2}}{r_{31,f}^{B,2}} = 3.1 - 4.1$$

on lines of constant physics

[HotQCD Collaboration, arXiv:1708.04897]



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in accordance with QCD
- Physics above 160 MeV much different from a hadron gas

Part II: Spectral and transport properties in the QGP

Thermal dilepton rate

$$\frac{dW}{d\omega d^3p} = \frac{5\alpha^2}{54\pi^3} \frac{1}{\omega^2 (e^{\omega/T} - 1)} \rho_V(\omega, \mathbf{T})$$

Thermal photon rate

$$\omega \frac{dN_\gamma}{d^4x d^3q} = \frac{5\alpha}{6\pi^2} \frac{1}{e^{\omega/T} - 1} \rho_V(\omega = |\vec{k}|, T)$$

Transport coefficients are encoded
in the same spectral function
→ Kubo formulae

Diffusion coefficients:

$$DT = \frac{T}{2\chi_q} \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho_{ii}(\omega)}{\omega}$$

Need to determine vector-meson spectral functions

On the lattice only correlation functions can be calculated

→ spectral reconstruction required

Dilepton rates

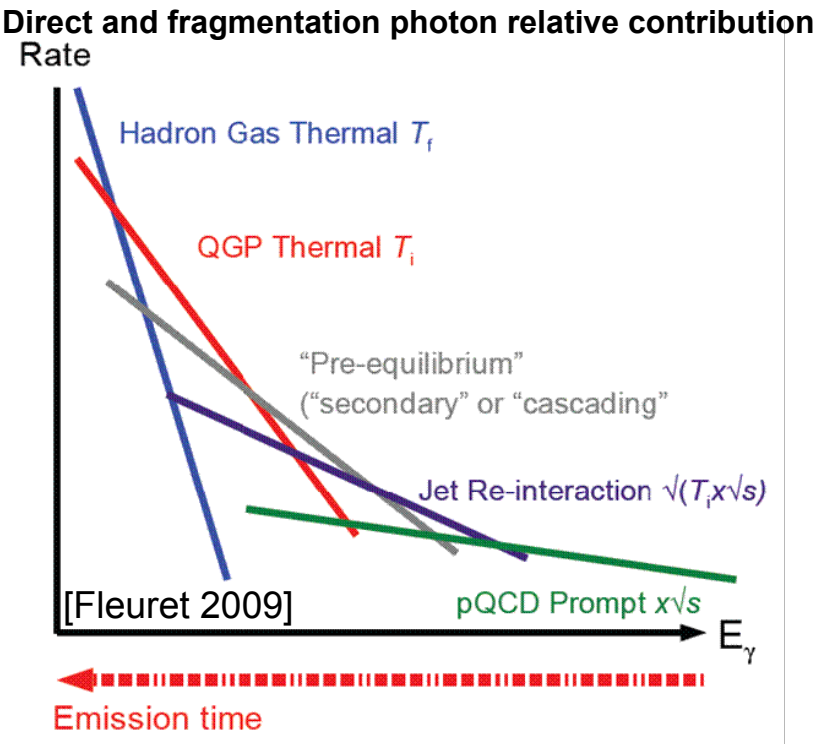
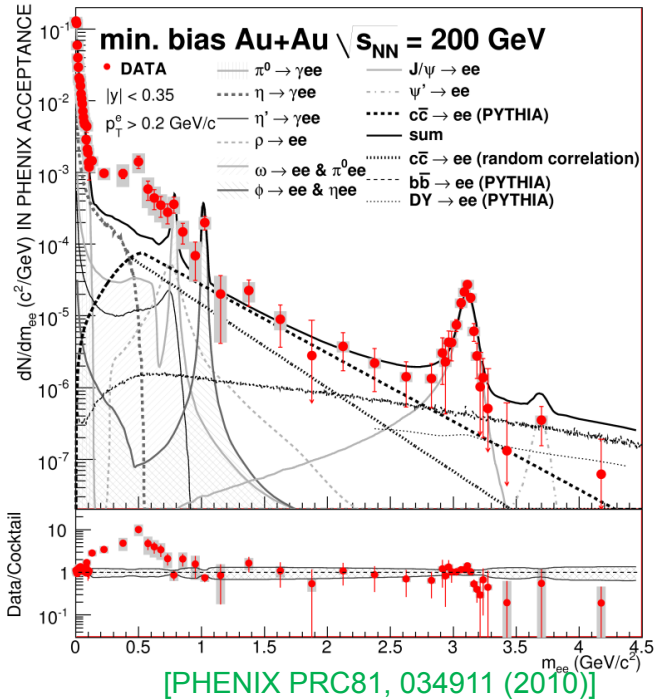
Photon rates

large enhancement between 150-750 MeV

possible window for photons from QGP

indications for thermal effects!?

Need to understand the contribution from QGP



both directly related to vector-meson spectral function:

$$\frac{dW}{d\omega d^3p} = \frac{5\alpha^2}{54\pi^3} \frac{1}{(\omega^2 - \vec{p}^2)(e^{\omega/T} - 1)} \rho_V(\omega, \vec{p}, T)$$

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Transport Coefficients are important ingredients into hydro/transport models for the evolution of the system.

Usually determined by matching to experiment (see right plot)

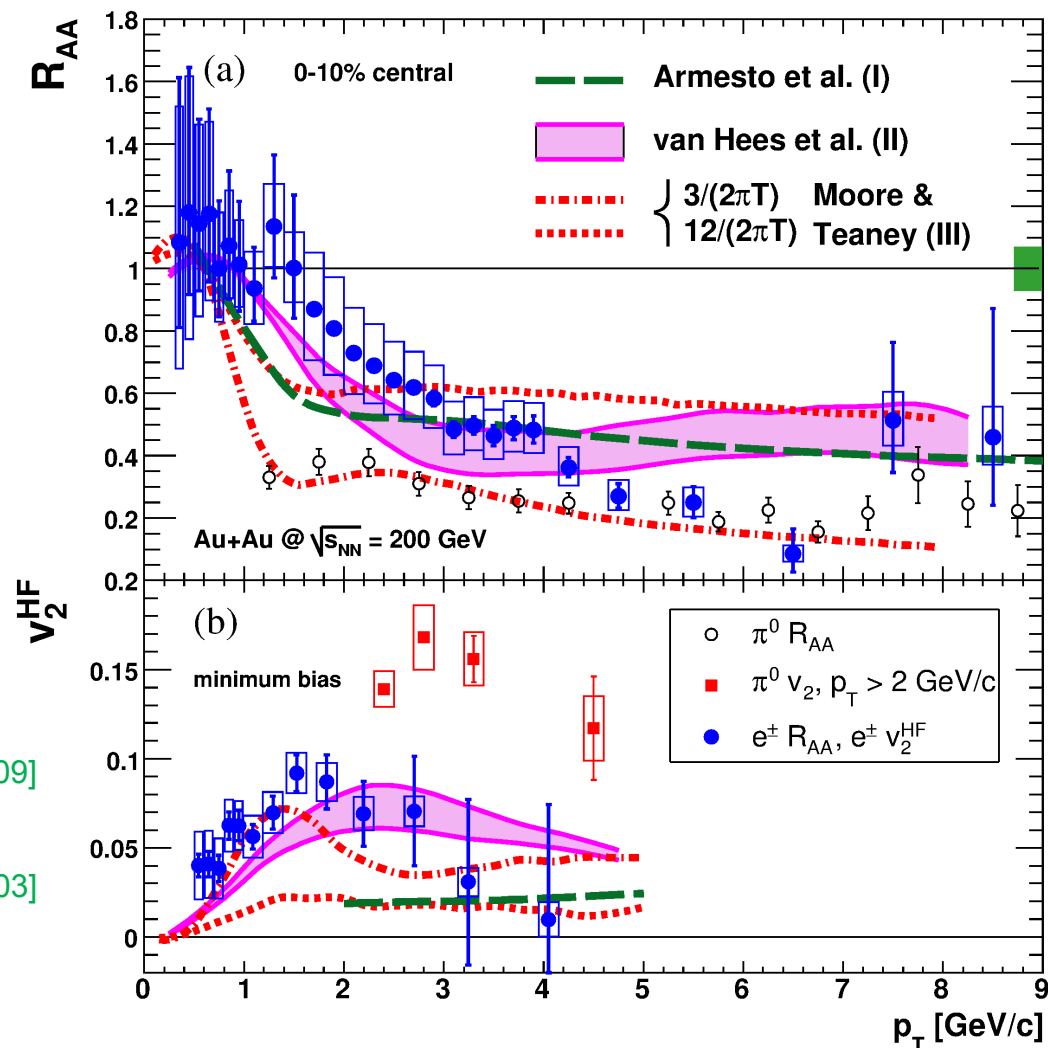
Need to be determined from QCD using first principle lattice calculations!

for heavy flavour:

- Heavy Quark Diffusion Constant D
[H.T.Ding, OK et al., PRD86(2012)014509]
- Heavy Quark Momentum Diffusion κ
[A.Francis, OK, et al., PRD92(2015)116003]

for light quarks:

- Light quark flavour diffusion /
- Electrical conductivity
[A.Francis, OK et al., PRD83(2011)034504
H-T.Ding, F.Meyer, OK, PRD94 (2016) 034504]



[PHENIX Collaboration, Adare et al., PRC84(2011)044905 & PRL98(2007)172301]

$$G(\tau, \vec{p}, T) = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \rho(\omega, \vec{p}, T) K(\tau, \omega, T)$$

$$K(\tau, \omega, T) = \frac{\cosh\left(\omega\left(\tau - \frac{1}{2T}\right)\right)}{\sinh\left(\frac{\omega}{2T}\right)}$$

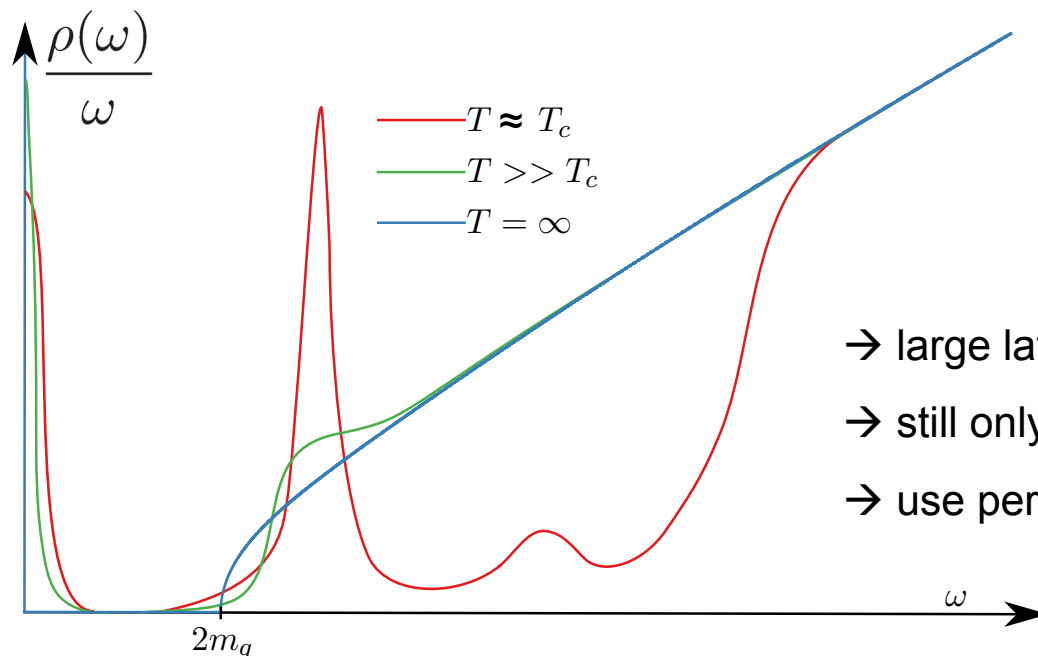
Different contributions and scales enter

in the spectral function

- **continuum at large frequencies**
- **possible bound states at intermediate frequencies**
- **transport contributions at small frequencies**
- **in addition cut-off effects on the lattice**

Spectral functions in the QGP

notoriously difficult to extract from correlation functions



$$G_{\mu\nu}(\tau, \vec{x}) = \langle J_\mu(\tau, \vec{x}) J_\nu^\dagger(0, \vec{0}) \rangle$$

$$J_\mu(\tau, \vec{x}) = 2\kappa Z_V \bar{\psi}(\tau, \vec{x}) \Gamma_\mu \psi(\tau, \vec{x})$$

- large lattices and continuum extrapolation needed
- still only possible in the quenched approximation
- use perturbation theory to constrain the UV behavior

(narrow) transport peak at small ω : $\rho(\omega \ll T) \simeq 2\chi_{00} \frac{T}{M} \frac{\omega\eta}{\omega^2 + \eta^2}, \quad \eta = \frac{T}{MD}$

Vector-meson correlation function for light quarks on large & fine lattices⁴⁵

[H.T.Ding, F.Meyer, OK, PRD94(2016)034504, H.T.Ding, A.Francis, OK et al., PRD83(2011)034504]

quenched SU(3) gauge configurations (separated by 500 updates)

non-perturbatively O(a) clover improved Wilson fermion valence quarks

non-perturbative renormalization constants and quark masses close to the chiral limit

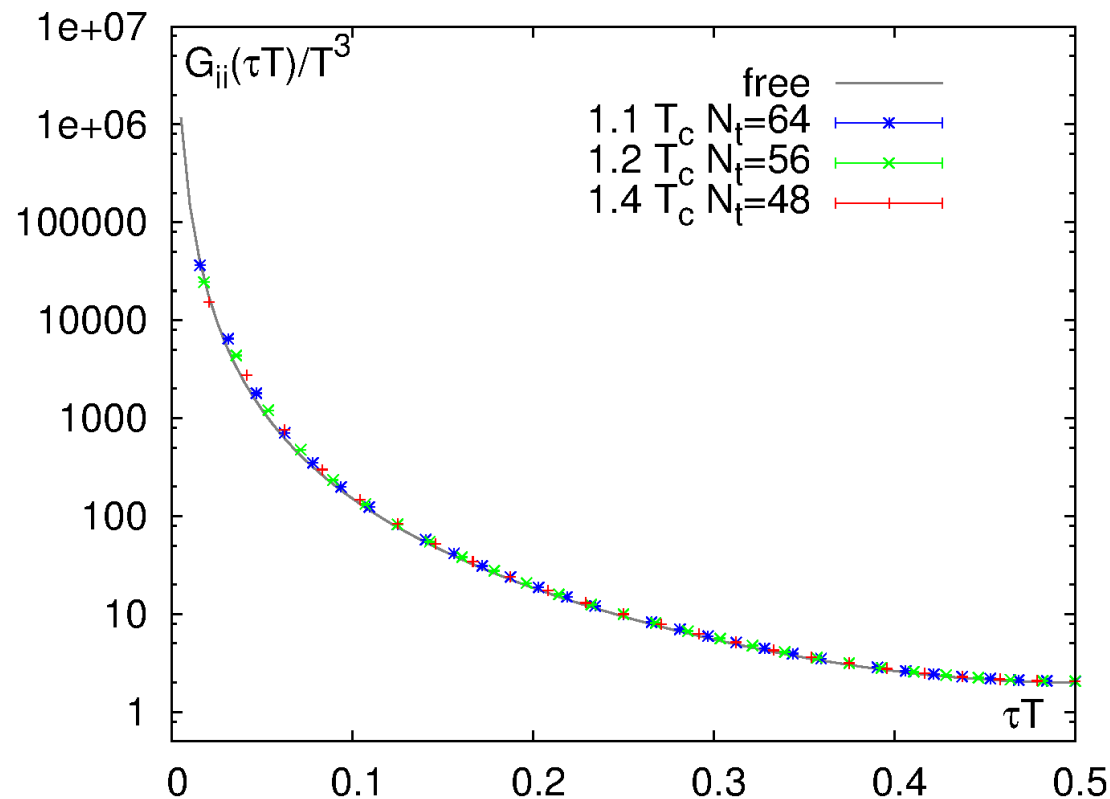
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1.1 T_c	32	96	7.192	0.13440	0.2796	1.12	0.8164	1.09	314
	48	144	7.544	0.13383	0.2843	1.14	0.8169	1.10	358
	64	192	7.793	0.13345	0.2862	1.15	0.8127	1.09	242
1.3 T_c	28	96	7.192	0.13440	0.3195	1.28	0.9330	1.25	232
	42	144	7.544	0.13383	0.3249	1.31	0.9336	1.25	417
	56	192	7.793	0.13345	0.3271	1.31	0.9288	1.25	273
1.5 T_c	24	128	7.192	0.13440	0.3728	1.50	1.0886	1.46	340
	32	128	7.457	0.13390	0.3846	1.55	1.1093	1.49	255
	48	128	7.793	0.13340	0.3817	1.53	1.0836	1.45	456

Scale setting using r_0 and t_0 [A.Francis, M.Laine, T.Neuhaus, H.Ohno PRD92(2015)116003]

fixed aspect ratio $N_\sigma/N_\tau = 3$ and 3.43 to allow continuum limit at finite momentum:

$$\frac{\vec{p}}{T} = 2\pi \vec{k} \frac{N_\tau}{N_\sigma}$$

constant physical volume (1.9fm)³

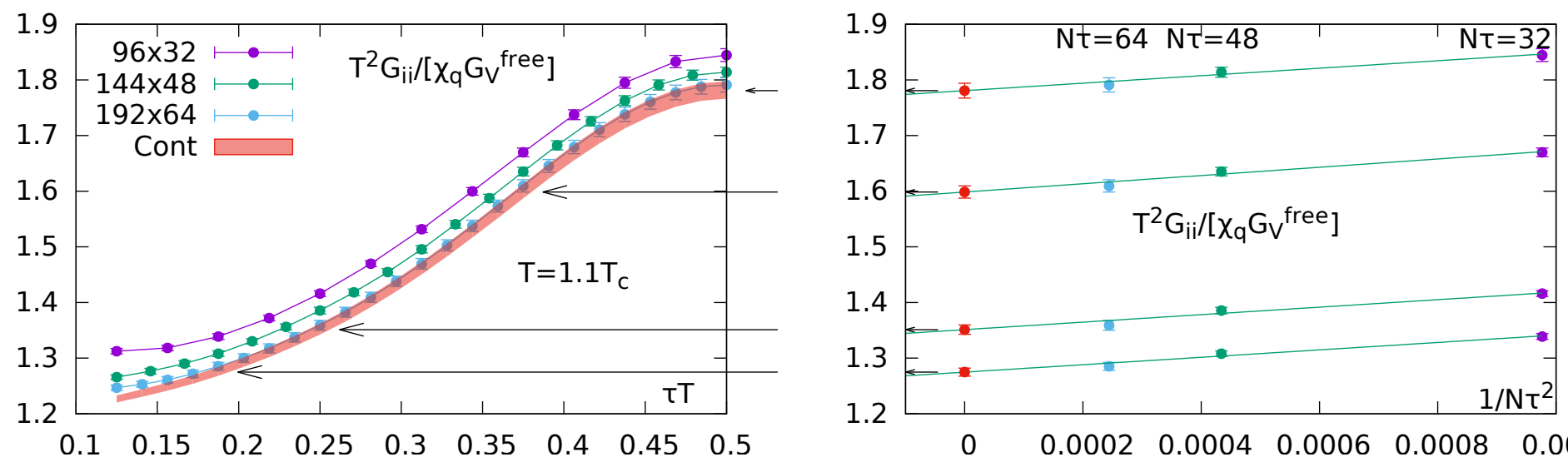


compared to free (non-interacting) correlator:

$$G_V^{free}(\tau) = 6T^2 \left(\pi(1 - 2\tau T) \frac{1 + \cos^2(2\pi\tau T)}{\sin^3(2\pi\tau T)} + 2 \frac{\cos(2\pi\tau T)}{\sin^2(2\pi\tau T)} \right)$$

hard to distinguish differences due to different orders of magnitude in the correlator

→ in the following we will use $G_V^{free}(\tau)$ as a normalization



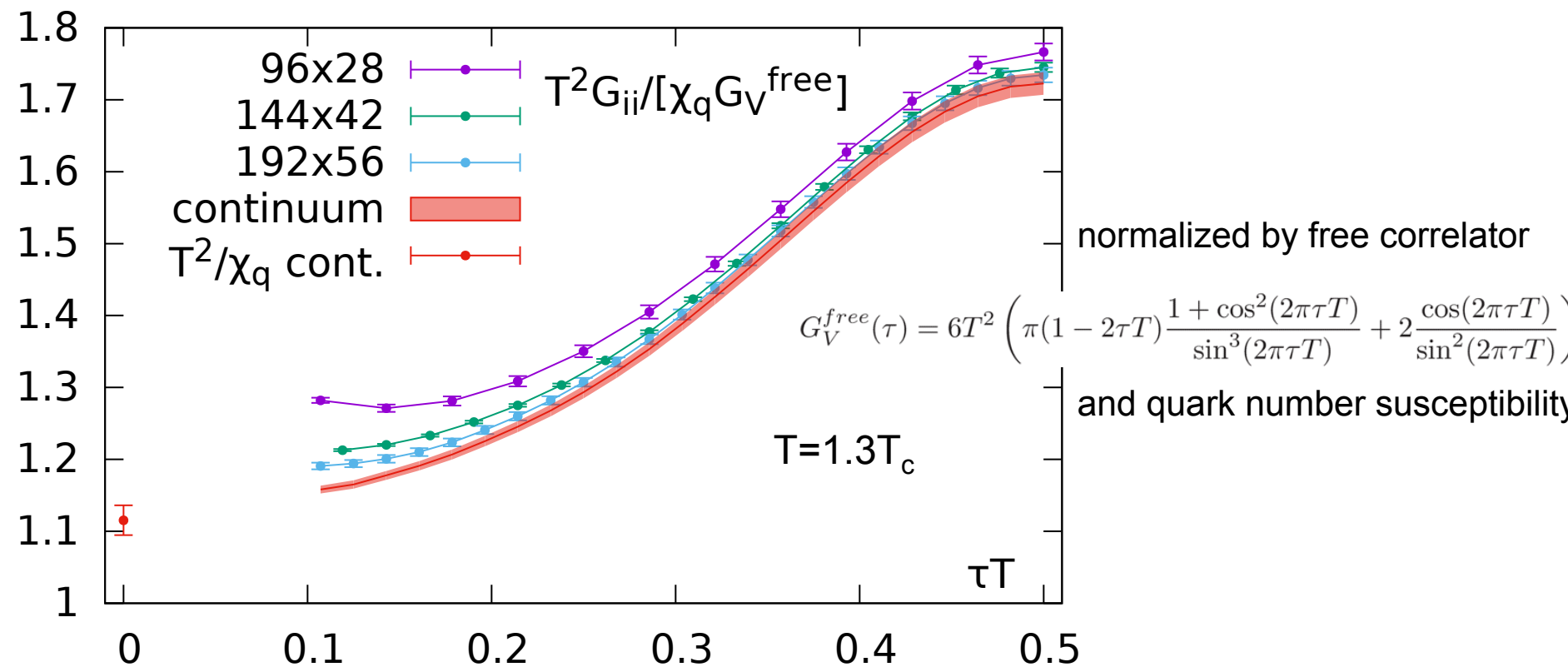
correlators normalized by quark number susceptibility χ_q independent of renormalization

and by the free non-interacting correlator $G_V^{free}(\tau)$

we interpolate the correlator for each lattice spacing

and perform the continuum limit $a \rightarrow 0$ at each distance τT

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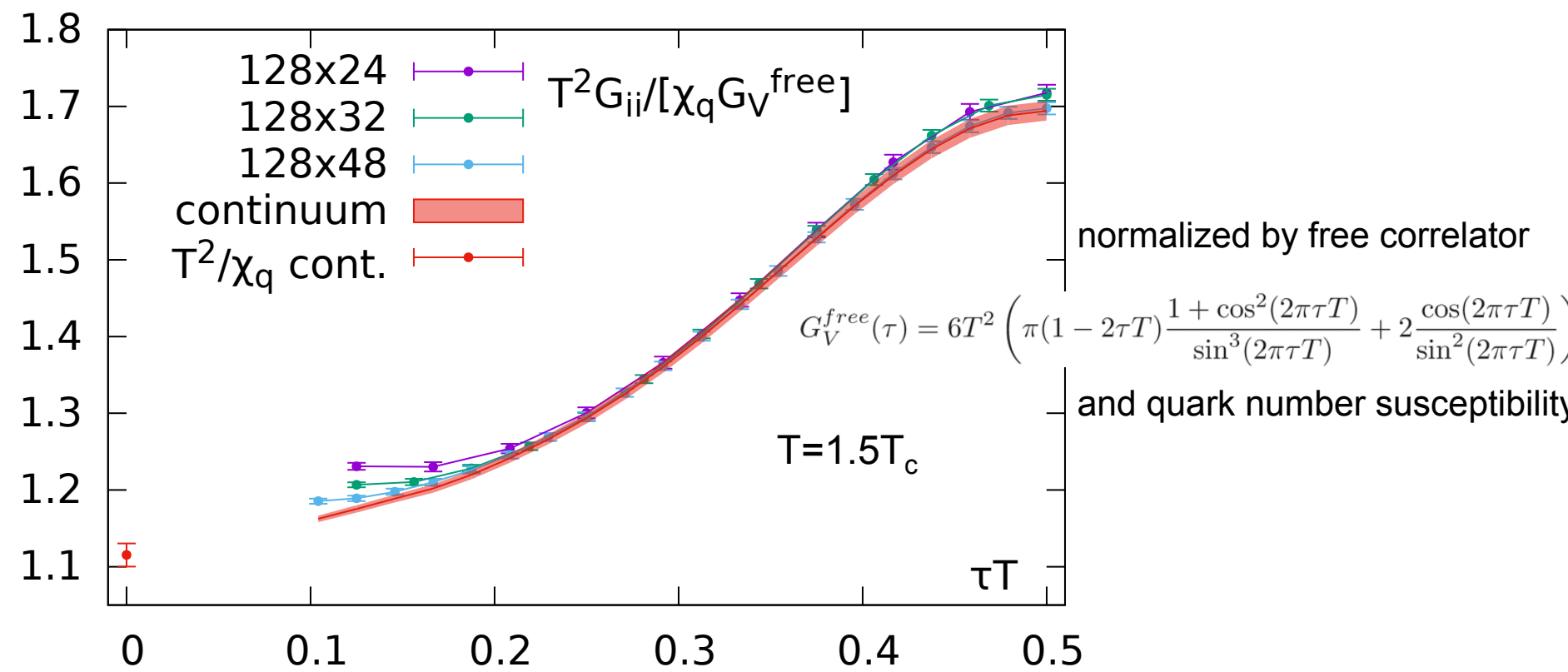


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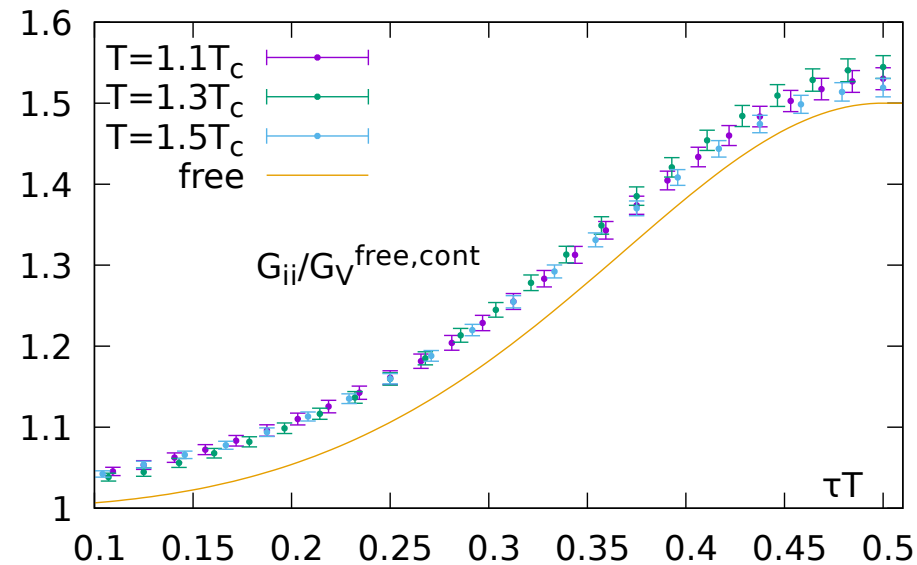
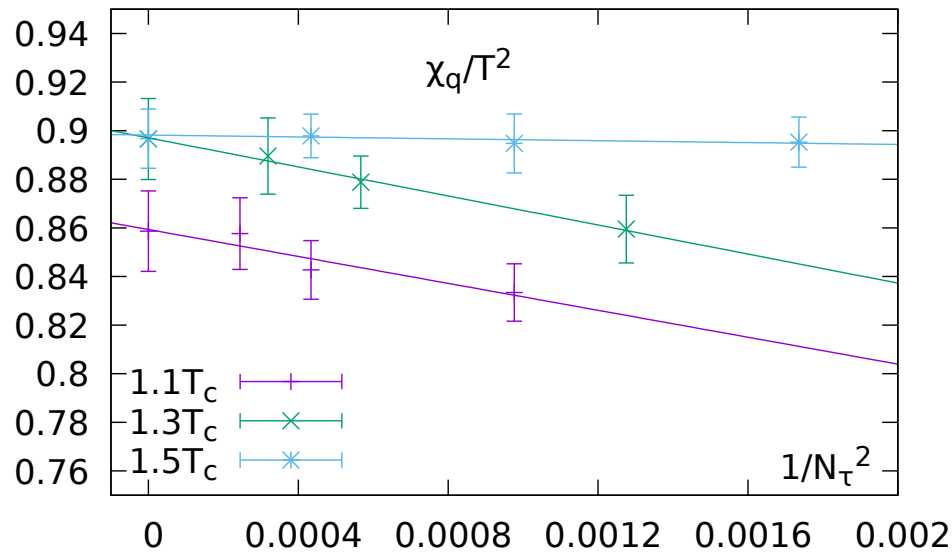
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continuum extrapolated results available for three temperatures in the QGP



similar behavior in this temperature region

main difference due to different quark number susceptibility χ_q/T^2

→ indications for a weak T-dependence of the temperature scaled

electrical conductivity and thermal dilepton rates

Free theory (massless case):

free non-interacting vector spectral function (infinite temperature):

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_{00}^{free}(\omega) &= 2\pi T^2 \omega \delta(\omega) \\ \rho_{ii}^{free}(\omega) &= 2\pi T^2 \omega \delta(\omega) + \frac{3}{2\pi} \omega^2 \tanh(\omega/4T)\end{aligned}$$

δ -functions exactly cancel in $\rho_V(\omega) = -\rho_{00}(\omega) + \rho_{ii}(\omega)$

With interactions (but without bound states):

while ρ_{00} is protected, the δ -function in ρ_{ii} gets smeared $\rightarrow$ transport peak:

Ansatz:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_{00}(\omega) &= 2\pi \chi_q \omega \delta(\omega) \\ \rho_{ii}(\omega) &= 2\chi_q c_{BW} \frac{\omega \Gamma/2}{\omega^2 + (\Gamma/2)^2} + \frac{3}{2\pi} (1 + \kappa) \omega^2 \tanh(\omega/4T)\end{aligned}$$

$\kappa = \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}$
at leading order

Ansatz with **3-4 parameters**: $(\chi_q), c_{BW}, \Gamma, \kappa$

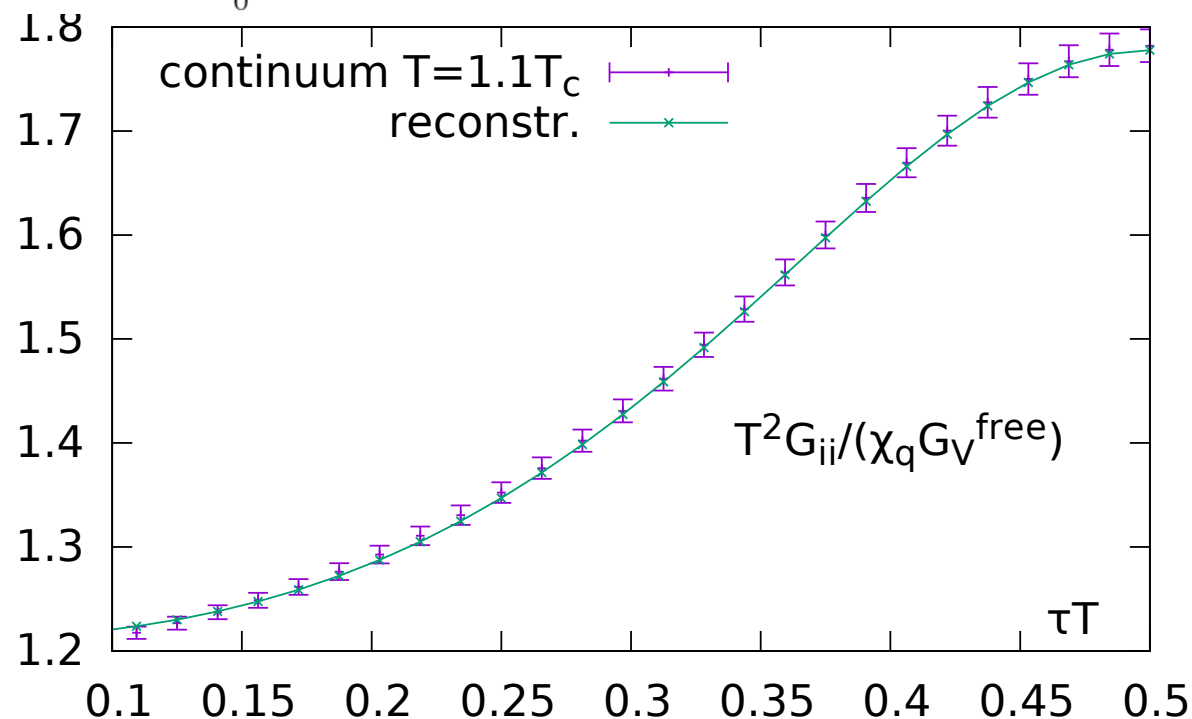
$\rightarrow$ electrical conductivity:
$$\frac{\sigma}{T} = \frac{C_{em}}{6} \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho_{ii}(\omega, \vec{p}=0, T)}{\omega T} \frac{\sigma}{T} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\chi_q}{T^2} \frac{T}{\Gamma} c_{BW} C_{em}$$

use our Ansatz for the spectral function and fit to the continuum extrapolated correlators

$$\rho_{00}(\omega) = 2\pi\chi_q\omega\delta(\omega)$$

$$\rho_{ii}(\omega) = 2\chi_q c_{BW} \frac{\omega\Gamma/2}{\omega^2 + (\Gamma/2)^2} + \frac{3}{2\pi}(1+\kappa)\omega^2 \tanh(\omega/4T)$$

$$G(\tau, \vec{p}, T) = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \rho(\omega, \vec{p}, T) K(\tau, \omega, T)$$



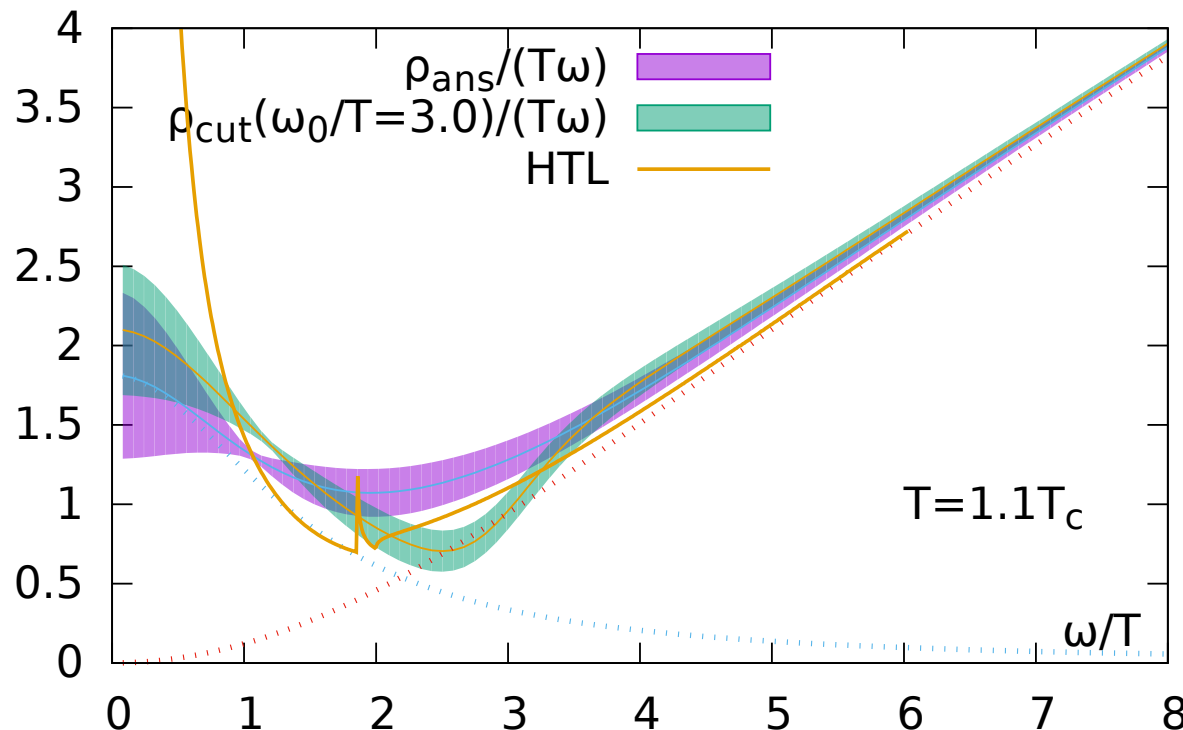
all three temperatures well described
by this rather simple Ansatz

T	$\sigma/(C_{\text{em}}T)$	Γ/T	$c_{BW}T/\Gamma$	k	χ^2/dof
$1.1T_c$	0.302(88)	2.86(1.16)	0.528(154)	0.038(8)	1.15
$1.3T_c$	0.254(51)	3.91(1.25)	0.425(85)	0.029(9)	0.52
$1.5T_c$	0.266(48)	3.33(89)	0.445(80)	0.040(7)	1.13

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Analysis of the systematic errors

using truncation of the large ω contribution

$$\Theta(\omega_0, \Delta_\omega) = \left(1 + e^{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)/\omega\Delta_\omega}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\sigma}{T} = \frac{C_{em}}{6} \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho_{ii}(\omega, \vec{p} = 0, T)}{\omega T}$$

electrical conductivity

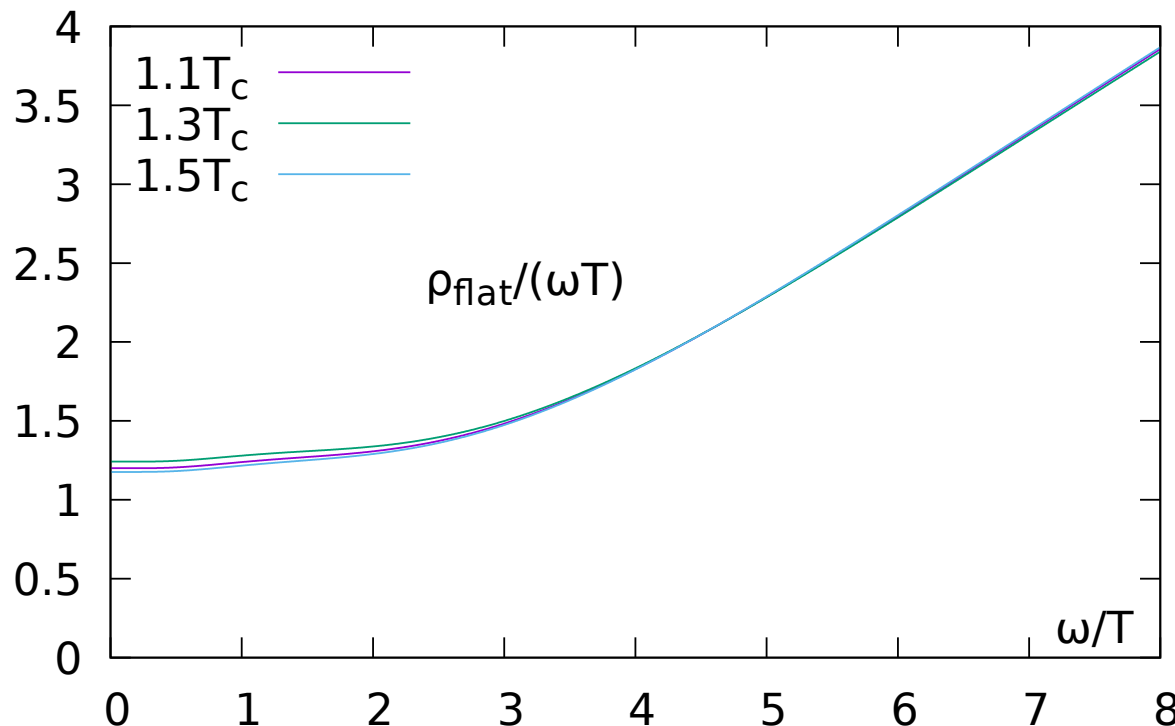
systematic uncertainties (within this Ansatz) estimated by varying the truncation

with similar $\chi^2/\text{dof} \sim 0.5\text{-}1.1$

Use a flat transport Ansatz for the spectral function

$$\rho_{\text{flat}}(\omega) = a\chi_q\omega \left(1 - \tilde{\Theta}(\omega_0, \Delta_0)\right) + (1+k)\rho_{\text{free}}(\omega)\tilde{\Theta}(\omega_1, \Delta_1)$$

$$\tilde{\Theta}(\omega, \omega_i, \Delta_i) = \left(1 + \exp\left(\frac{\omega_i^2 - \omega^2}{\omega\Delta_i}\right)\right)^{-1}$$



Analysis of the systematic errors

using a flat behavior at small ω

$$\frac{\sigma}{T} = \frac{C_{em}}{6} \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho_{ii}(\omega, \vec{p} = 0, T)}{\omega T}$$

electrical conductivity

systematic uncertainties (within this Ansatz) estimated by varying the truncation

with similar $\chi^2/\text{dof} \sim 0.5\text{-}1.1$ still consistent with our data $\rightarrow$ lower limit for σ/T

Improve the UV behavior of the spectral function using perturbation theory:

At very high energies, due to asymptotic freedom

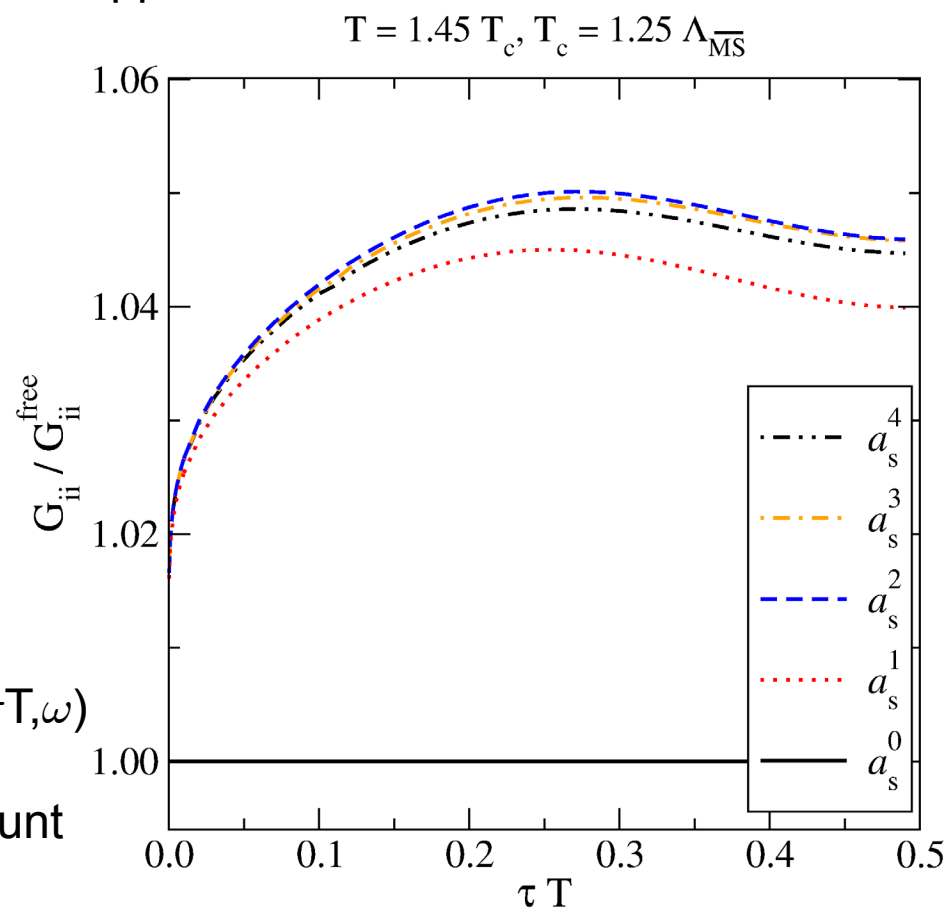
- perturbation should be working
- thermal effects should be suppressed
- “vacuum physics”

5-loop vacuum spectral function:

$$\rho_V(\omega) = \frac{3\omega^2}{4\pi} R(\omega^2)$$
$$R(\omega^2) = r_{0,0} + r_{1,0} a_s + (r_{2,0} + r_{2,1} \ell) a_s^2 + (r_{3,0} + r_{3,1} \ell + r_{3,2} \ell^2) a_s^3 + (r_{4,0} + r_{4,1} \ell + r_{4,2} \ell^2 + r_{4,3} \ell^3) a_s^4 + \mathcal{O}(a_s^5)$$

- using 3-loop α_s and $\ell = \log(\mu^2/\omega^2)$
- using a renormalization scale $\mu = (1..5) \max(\pi T, \omega)$
- taking leading order thermal effect into account

$$\rho_{ii}^{(T)}(\omega) \equiv \frac{3\omega^2}{4\pi} [1 - 2n_F(\frac{\omega}{2})] R(\omega^2) + \pi \chi_q^{\text{free}} \omega \delta(\omega)$$



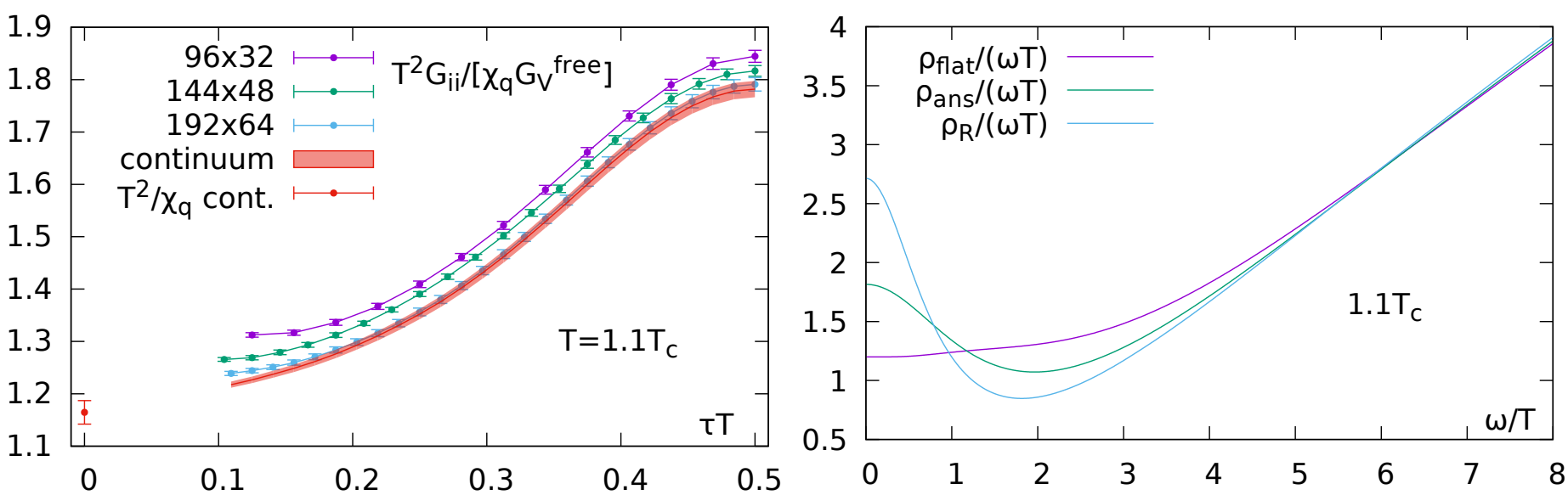
$$G(\tau, \vec{p}, T) = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \rho(\omega, \vec{p}, T) K(\tau, \omega, T) \qquad K(\tau, \omega, T) = \frac{\cosh\left(\omega\left(\tau - \frac{1}{2T}\right)\right)}{\sinh\left(\frac{\omega}{2T}\right)}$$

Ansatz for the (non-perturbative) transport contribution: $\rho_{BW}(\omega) = 2\chi_q c_{BW} \frac{\omega\Gamma/2}{\omega^2 + (\Gamma/2)^2}$

and perturbative constraints for the UV part of the spectral function

$$\rho_R(\omega) = \rho_{BW}(\omega) + \frac{3\omega^2}{4\pi} \left[1 - 2n_F\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right)\right] R(\omega^2) \qquad \text{(5-loop vacuum + LO thermal correction)}$$

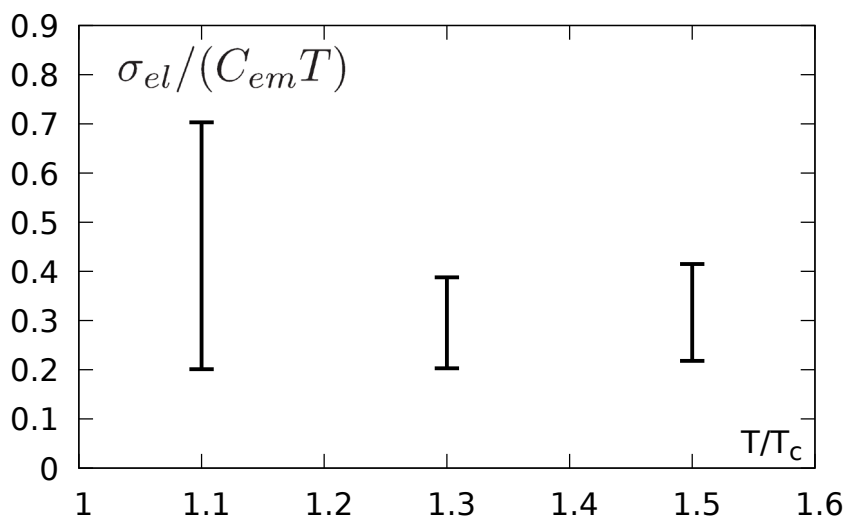
Fit to continuum extrapolated vector-meson correlation function $G_{ii}(\tau, T)$



continuum estimate for the
of the **electrical conductivity**

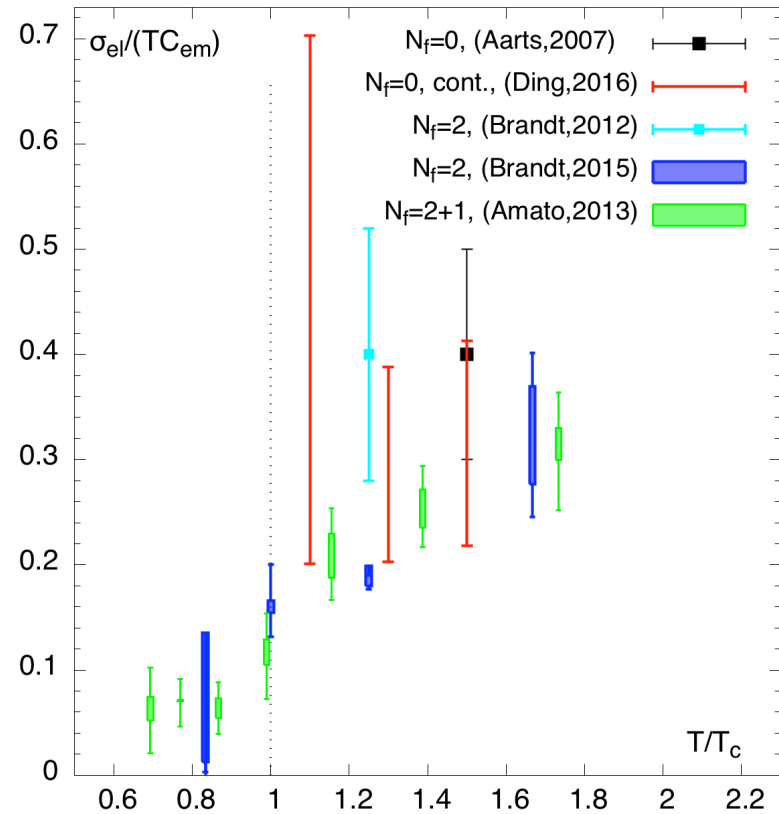
lower and upper limits from analysis of
different classes of spectral functions:

$$\frac{\sigma_{el}}{C_{em}T} = \frac{1}{6} \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho_{ii}(\omega, \vec{p} = 0, T)}{\omega T}$$



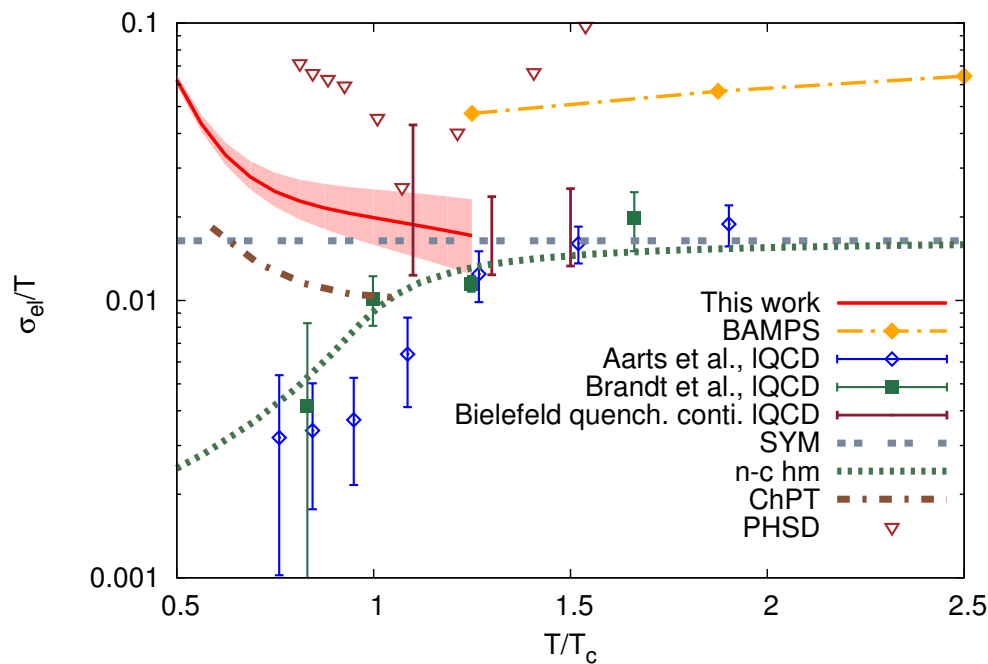
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comparison of different lattice results
(Plot courtesy of A.Francis)



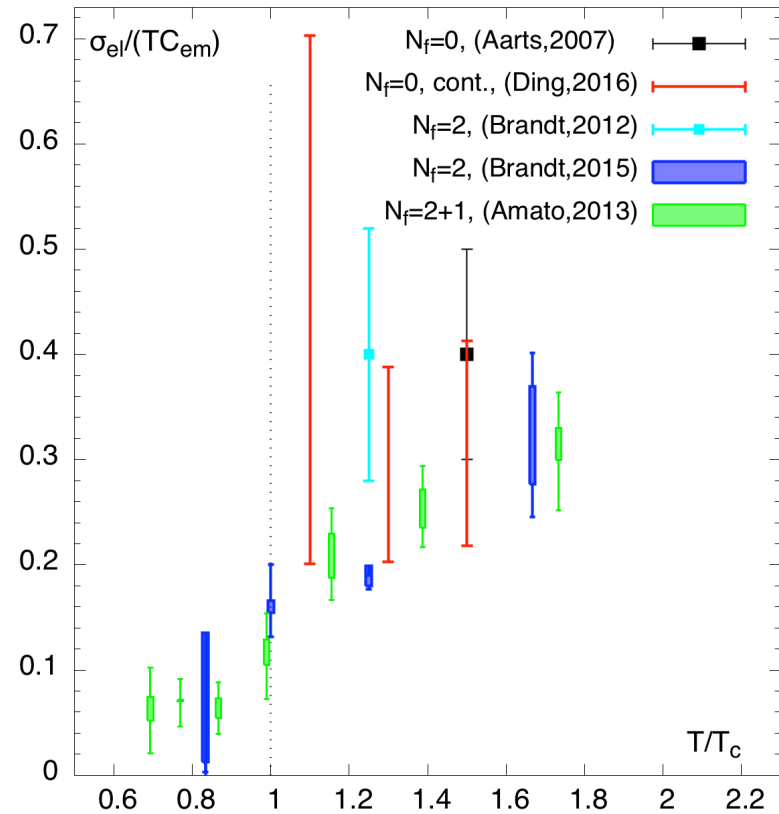
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compared to calculations in
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[M.Greif, C.Greiner, G.Denicol, PRD93 (2016) 096012]

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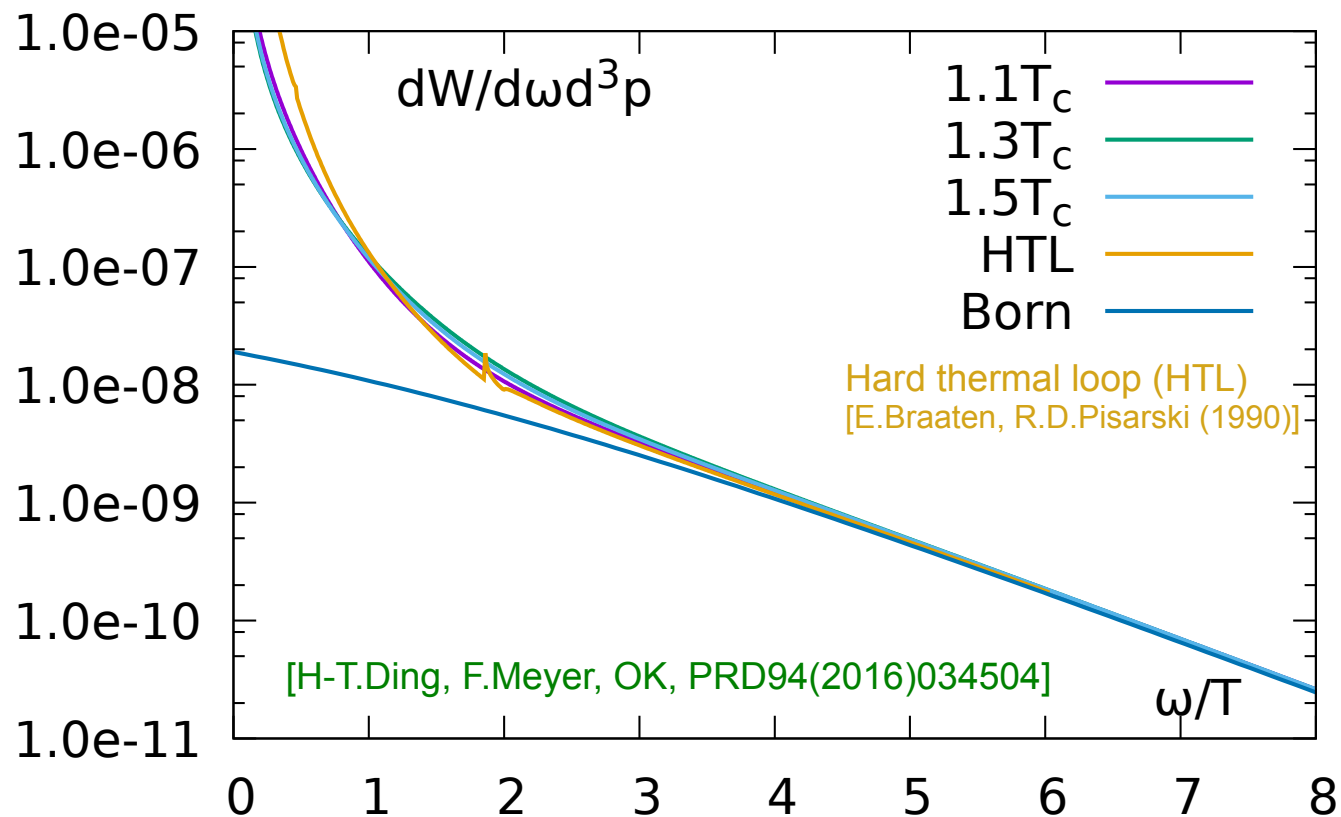


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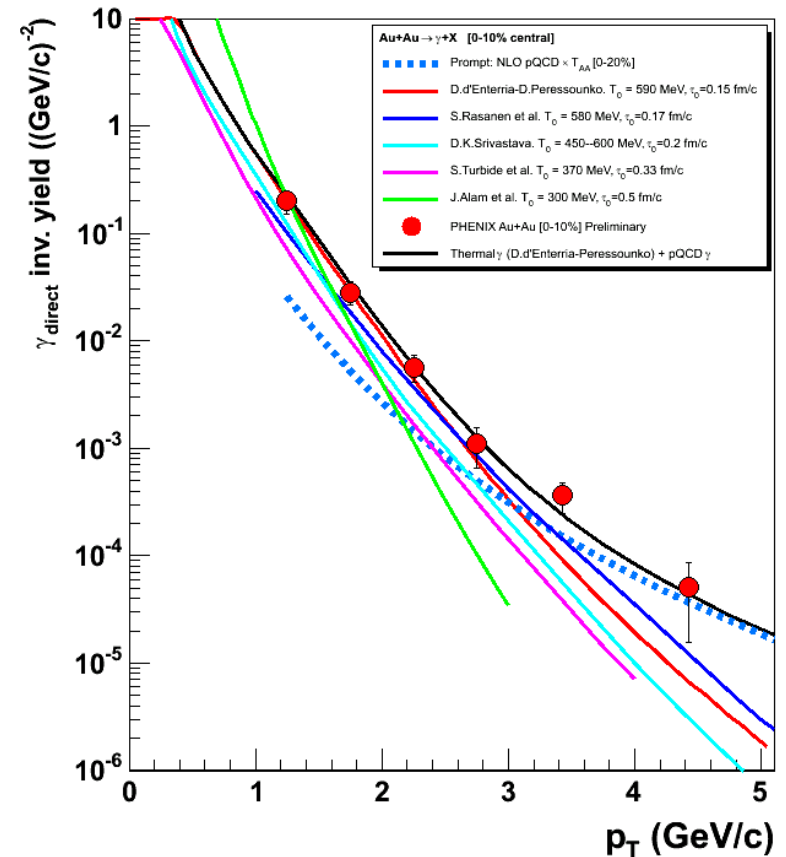
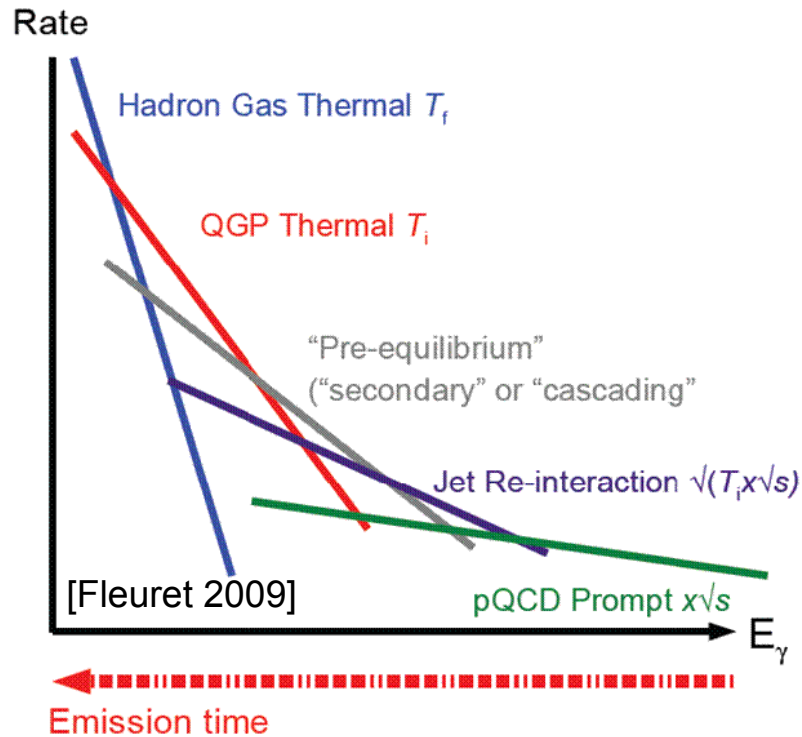
**Progress in determining transport
coefficients, although systematic
uncertainties still need to be reduced in the future.**

Dileptonrate directly related to vector spectral function:

$$\frac{dW}{d\omega d^3p} = \frac{5\alpha^2}{54\pi^3} \frac{1}{\omega^2(e^{\omega/T} - 1)} \rho_{\mathbf{V}}(\omega, \mathbf{T})$$



Direct and fragmentation photon relative contribution



Photonrate directly related to vector spectral function (at finite momentum):

$$\omega \frac{dN_\gamma}{d^4x d^3q} = \frac{5\alpha}{6\pi^2} \frac{1}{e^{\omega/T} - 1} \sigma_V(\omega = |\vec{k}|, T)$$

Non-interacting limit, “Born rate” for large invariant mass $M \gg \pi T$, with $M^2 = \omega^2 + k^2$

$$\rho_v(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{N_c T M^2}{2\pi k} \left\{ \ln \left[\frac{\cosh(\frac{\omega+k}{4T})}{\cosh(\frac{\omega-k}{4T})} \right] - \frac{\omega \theta(k - \omega)}{2T} \right\},$$

[G. Aarts and J.M. Martinez Resco, NPB 726 (2005) 93]

Leading-log order for invariant mass $M=0$: [J.I. Kapusta et al., PRD44 (1991) 2774, R. Baier et al. Z.Phys.C53 (1992) 433]

$$\rho_v(k, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{\alpha_s N_c C_F T^2}{4} \ln \left(\frac{1}{\alpha_s} \right) \left[1 - 2n_F(k) \right] + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s T^2),$$

Complete leading order for invariant mass $M=0$: [Arnold, Moore, Yaffe, JHEP11(2001)57 and JHEP12(2001)9]

NLO at $M = 0$: [J.Ghiglieri et al., JHEP 1305 (2013) 010]

NLO at $M \sim gT$: [J.Ghiglieri and G.D.Moore, JHEP 1412 (2014) 029]

NLO at $M \sim \pi T$: [M.Laine, JHEP 1311 (2013) 120]

N⁴LO at $M \gg \pi T$: [S. Caron-Huot, PRD79 (2009) 125009, P.A.Baikov et al. PRL101 (2008) 012002]

Vector spectral function in the hydrodynamic regime for $\omega, k \lesssim \alpha_s^2 T$:

$$\frac{\rho_v(\omega, \mathbf{k})}{\omega} = \left(\frac{\omega^2 - k^2}{\omega^2 + D^2 k^4} + 2 \right) \chi_q D$$

with the quark number susceptibility: $\chi_q \equiv \int_0^\beta d\tau \int_{\mathbf{x}} \langle V^0(\tau, \mathbf{x}) V^0(0) \rangle$

and the diffusion coefficient: $D \equiv \frac{1}{3\chi_q} \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0^+} \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{\rho^{ii}(\omega, \mathbf{0})}{\omega}$

which relate to the electric conductivity: $\sigma = e^2 \sum_{f=1}^{N_f} Q_f^2 \chi_q D$

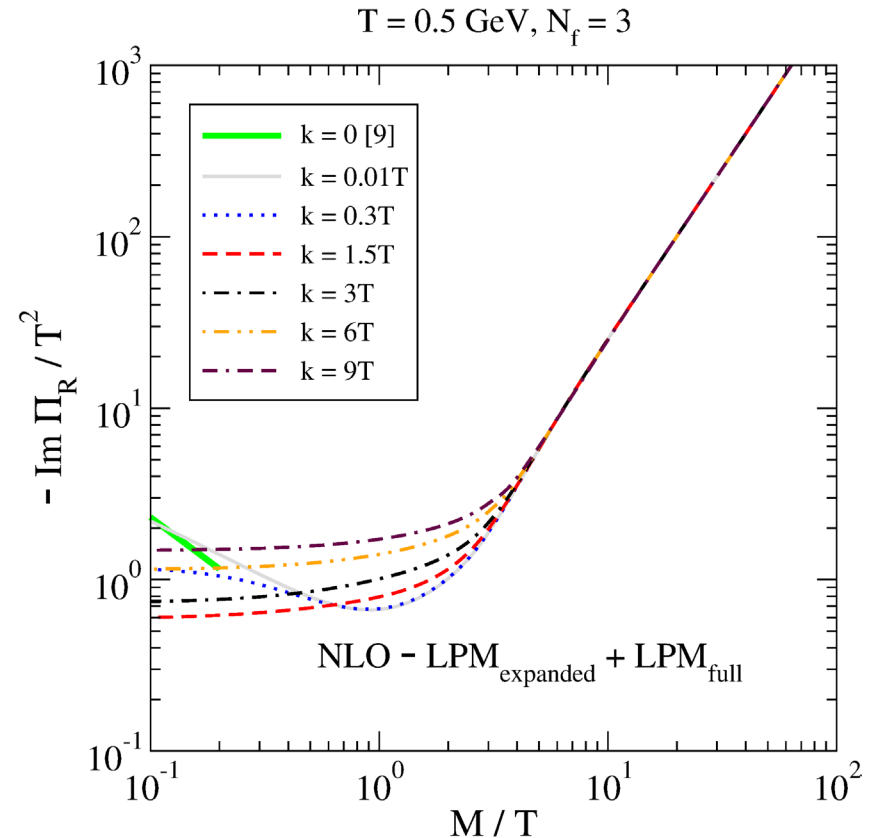
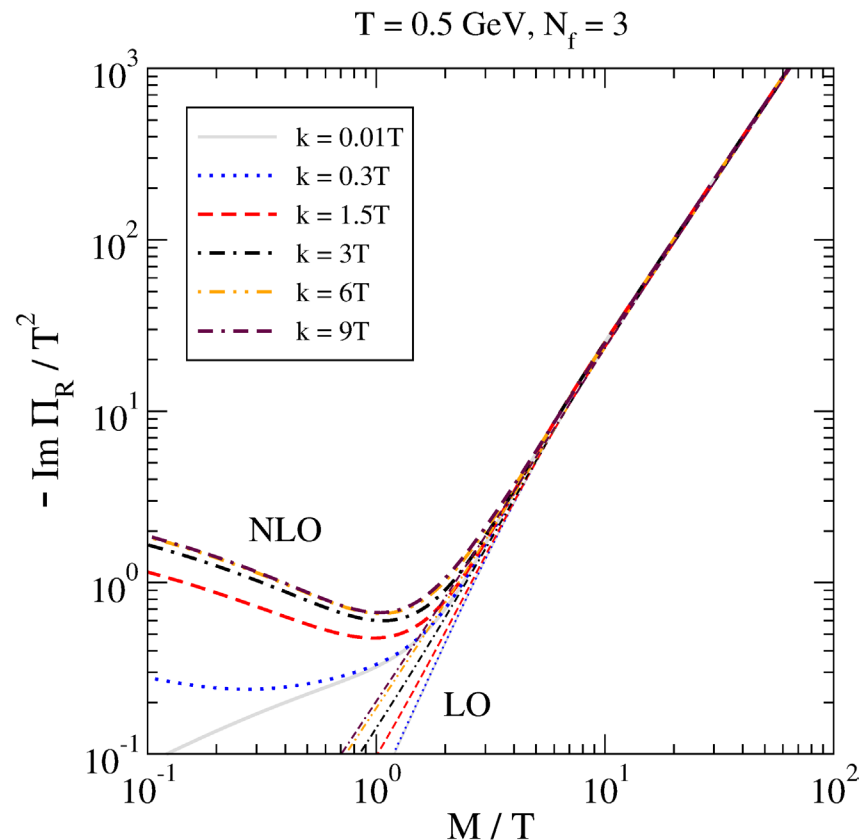
In this limit the (soft) photon rate becomes: $\frac{d\Gamma_\gamma(\mathbf{k})}{d^3\mathbf{k}} \stackrel{k \lesssim \alpha_s^2 T}{\approx} \frac{2T\sigma}{(2\pi)^3 k}$

In the AdS/CFT framework the vector spectral function has the same infrared structure and here numerical result can make predictions beyond the hydro regime

[S.Caron-Huot, JHEP12 (2006) 015]

Although not QCD, it may give qualitative insight into the structures at small ω and k

Thermal corrections in the intermediate frequency regime required [Altherr+Aurenche 1989]
and proper treatment of the small frequency regime [Ghiglieri+Moore 2014] [Moore+Robert 2006]



interpolation between different regimes [I. Ghisoiu and M.Laine, JHEP 10 (2014) 84, arXiv:1407.7955]

progress in perturbation theory in the past years → compare to lattice QCD results

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pQCD spectral function used to constrain the UV

interpolation between different (perturbative) regimes:

$3T < \omega < 10T$: [J.Ghiglieri, G.D.Moore, JHEP 1412 (2014) 029]

$\omega > 10T$: [I. Ghisoiu, M.Laine, JHEP 10 (2014) 84]

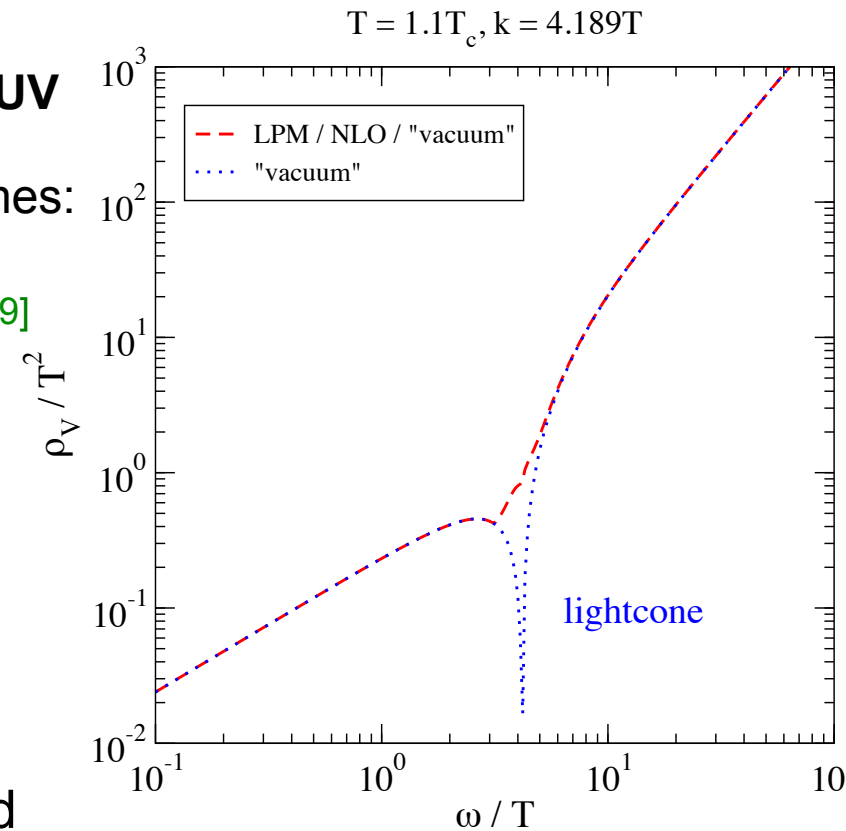
$\omega \gg 10T$: [M.Laine, JHEP 1311 (2013) 120]

to allow for non-perturbative effects

and to analyze how far pQCD can be trusted

we model the infrared behavior assuming smoothness at the light cone

and fit to continuum extrapolated lattice correlators



$(5+2 n_{\max})^{\text{th}}$ order polynomial Ansatz at small ω :

$$\rho_{\text{fit}} \equiv \frac{\beta \omega^3}{2\omega_0^3} \left(5 - \frac{3\omega^2}{\omega_0^2} \right) - \frac{\gamma \omega^3}{2\omega_0^2} \left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2} \right) + \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} \frac{\delta_n \omega^{1+2n}}{\omega_0^{1+2n}} \left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2} \right)^2$$

with the constraints to match smoothly with pQCD at ω_0

$$\rho_{\text{v}}(\omega_0, \mathbf{k}) \equiv \beta, \quad \rho'_{\text{v}}(\omega_0, \mathbf{k}) \equiv \gamma,$$

and $n_{\max}+1$ free parameters

starting with a linear behavior at $\omega \ll T$

smoothly matched to the perturbative spectral function at $\omega_0 \simeq \sqrt{k^2 + (\pi T)^2}$

In the following we will use $n_{\max} = 0$ and $n_{\max} = 1$ for the fits to the lattice data

and to estimate the systematic uncertainties

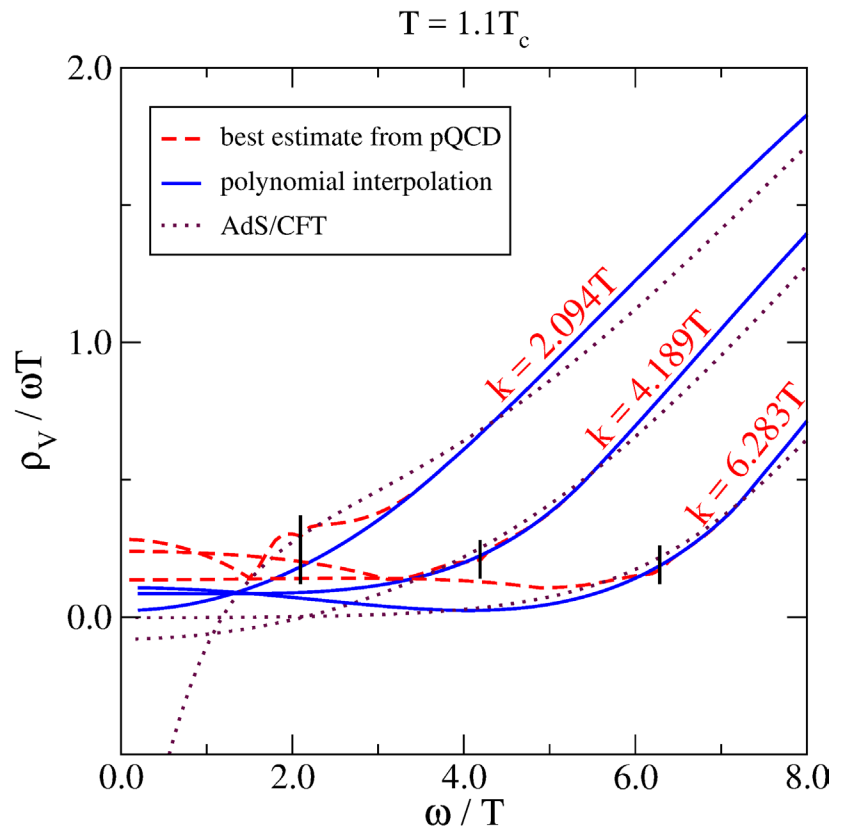
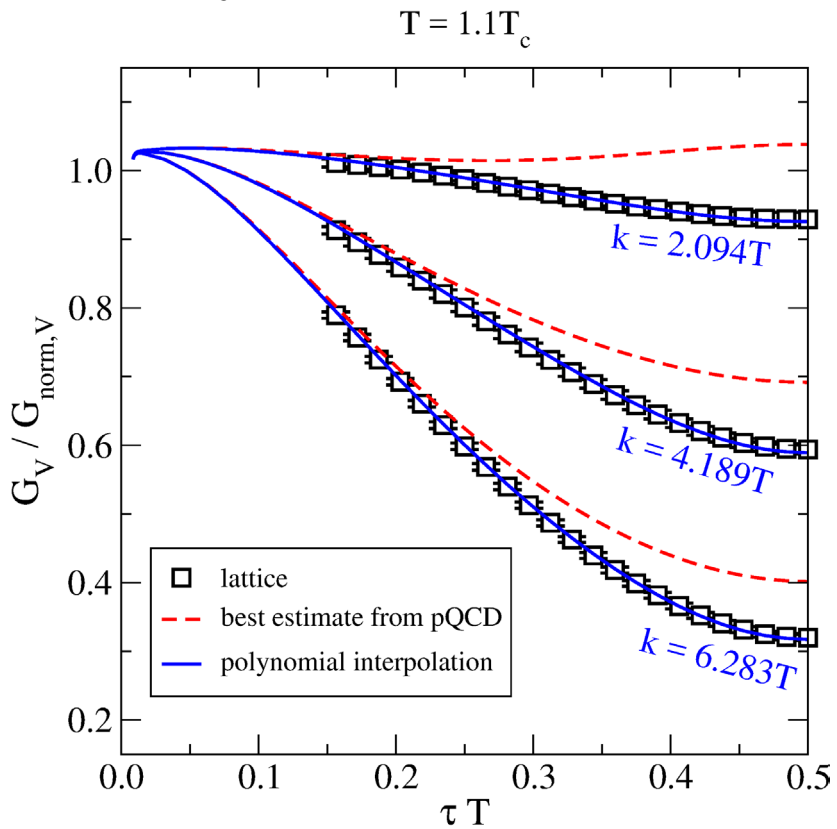
Fixed aspect ratio used to perform continuum extrapolation at finite p

$$\frac{\vec{p}}{T} = 2\pi \vec{k} \frac{N_\tau}{N_\sigma}$$

use perturbation theory at large ω
and fit a polynomial at small ω to extract the spectral function

[J.Ghiglieri, OK, M.Laine, F.Meyer, PRD94(2016)016005]

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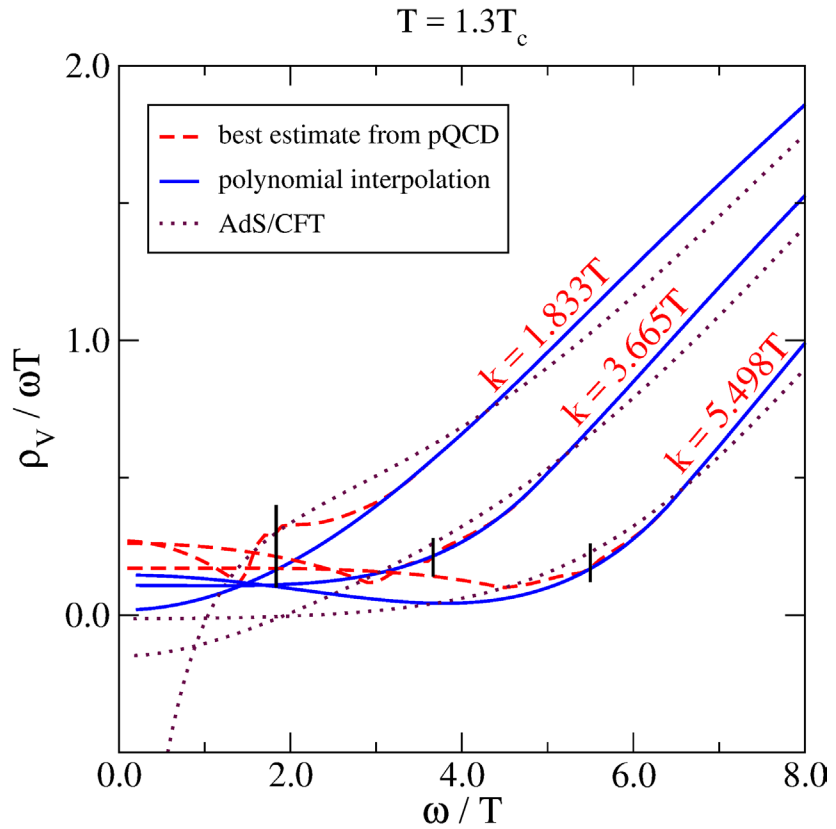
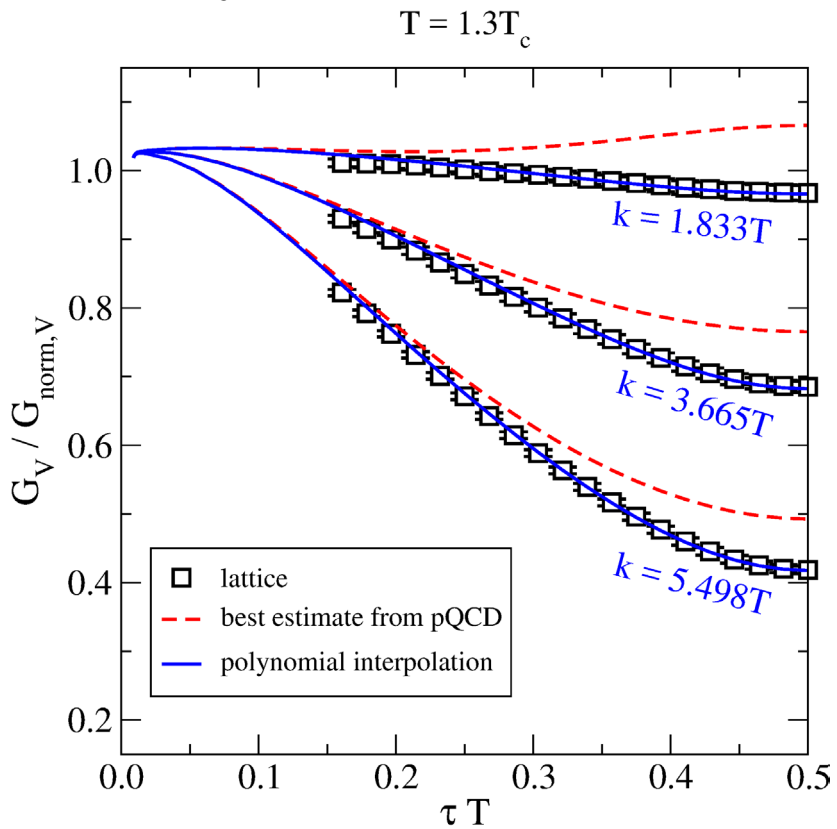
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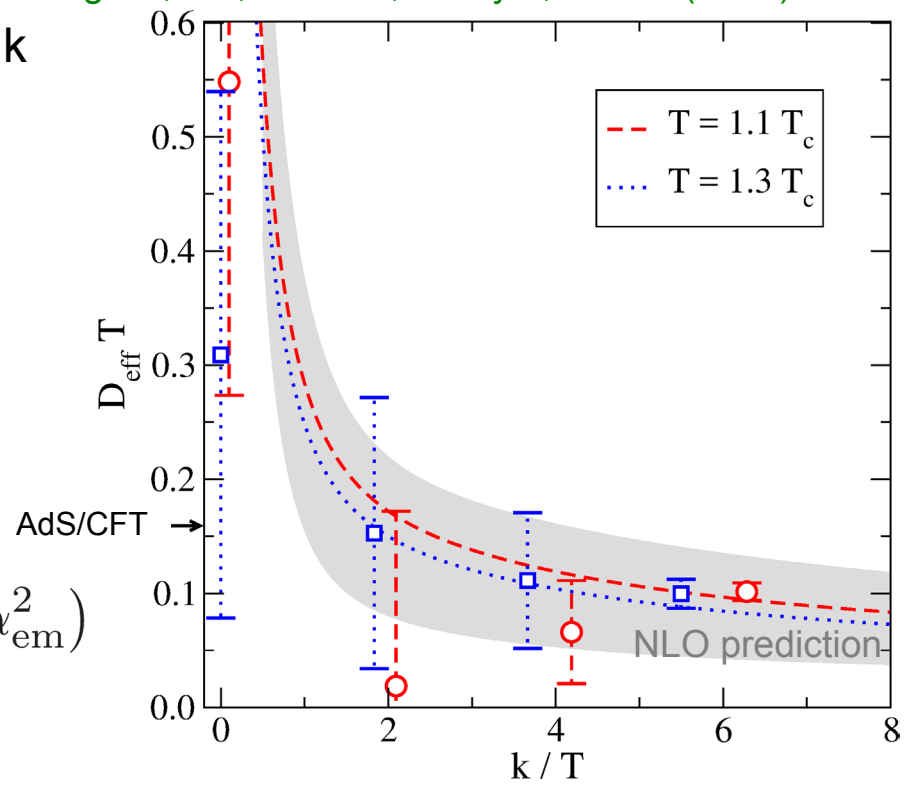
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The spectral function at the photon point $\omega = k$

$$D_{\text{eff}}(k) \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{\rho_v(k, \mathbf{k})}{2\chi_q k} & , \quad k > 0 \\ \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\rho^{ii}(\omega, \mathbf{0})}{3\chi_q \omega} & , \quad k = 0 \end{cases} .$$

can be used to calculate the photon rate

$$\frac{d\Gamma_\gamma(\mathbf{k})}{d^3\mathbf{k}} = \frac{2\alpha_{\text{em}}\chi_q}{3\pi^2} n_B(k) D_{\text{eff}}(k) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_{\text{em}}^2)$$



becomes more perturbative at larger k, approaching the NLO prediction (valid for $k \gg gT$)

[J. Ghiglieri, G.D. Moore, JHEP12 (2014) 029]

but non-perturbative for $k/T < 3$

Electrical conductivity obtained in the limit $k \rightarrow 0$ between the results from

AdS/CFT: $DT = \frac{1}{2\pi}$

[G.Policastro, D.T.Son,A.O.Starinets, JHEP09(2002)043]

LO perturbation theory [Arnold, Moore Yaffe, JHEP 05 (2003)]

using lattice value for χ_q/T^2 : $DT = 2.9 - 3.1$

Heavy Quark Effective Theory (HQET) in the large quark mass limit
for a single quark in medium

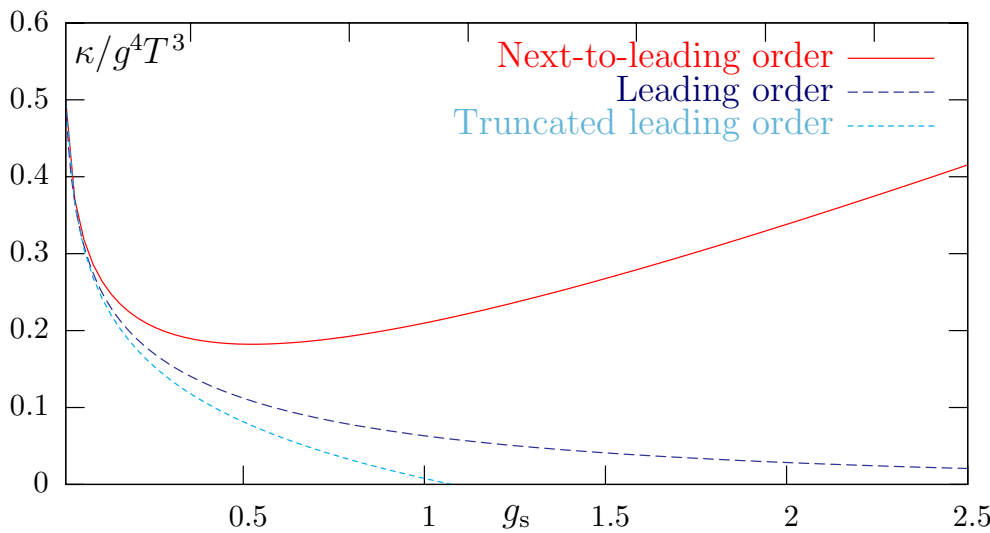
leads to a (pure gluonic) “color-electric correlator”

[J.Casalderrey-Solana, D.Teaney, PRD74(2006)085012,
S.Caron-Huot,M.Laine,G.D. Moore,JHEP04(2009)053]

$$G_E(\tau) \equiv -\frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{\left\langle \text{Re Tr} \left[U\left(\frac{1}{T}; \tau\right) g E_i(\tau, \mathbf{0}) U(\tau; 0) g E_i(0, \mathbf{0}) \right] \right\rangle}{\left\langle \text{Re Tr} \left[U\left(\frac{1}{T}; 0\right) \right] \right\rangle}$$

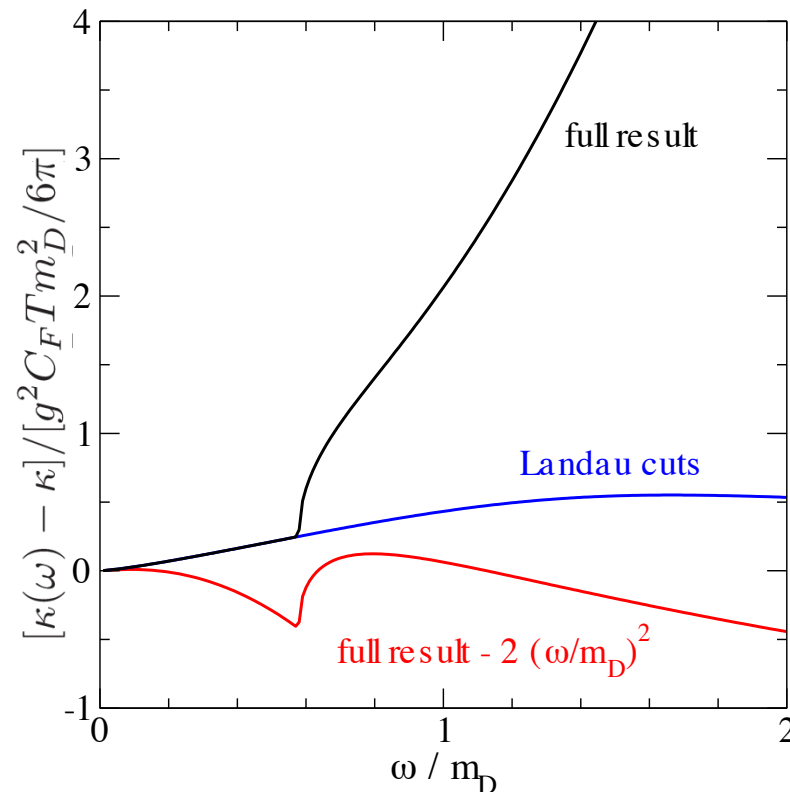
$$\kappa = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{2T \rho_E(\omega)}{\omega}$$

NLO perturbative calculation:
[Caron-Huot, G. Moore, JHEP 0802 (2008) 081]



- large correction towards strong interactions
- non-perturbative lattice methods required

NLO spectral function in perturbation theory: [Caron-Huot, M.Laine, G.Moore, JHEP 0904 (2009) 053]



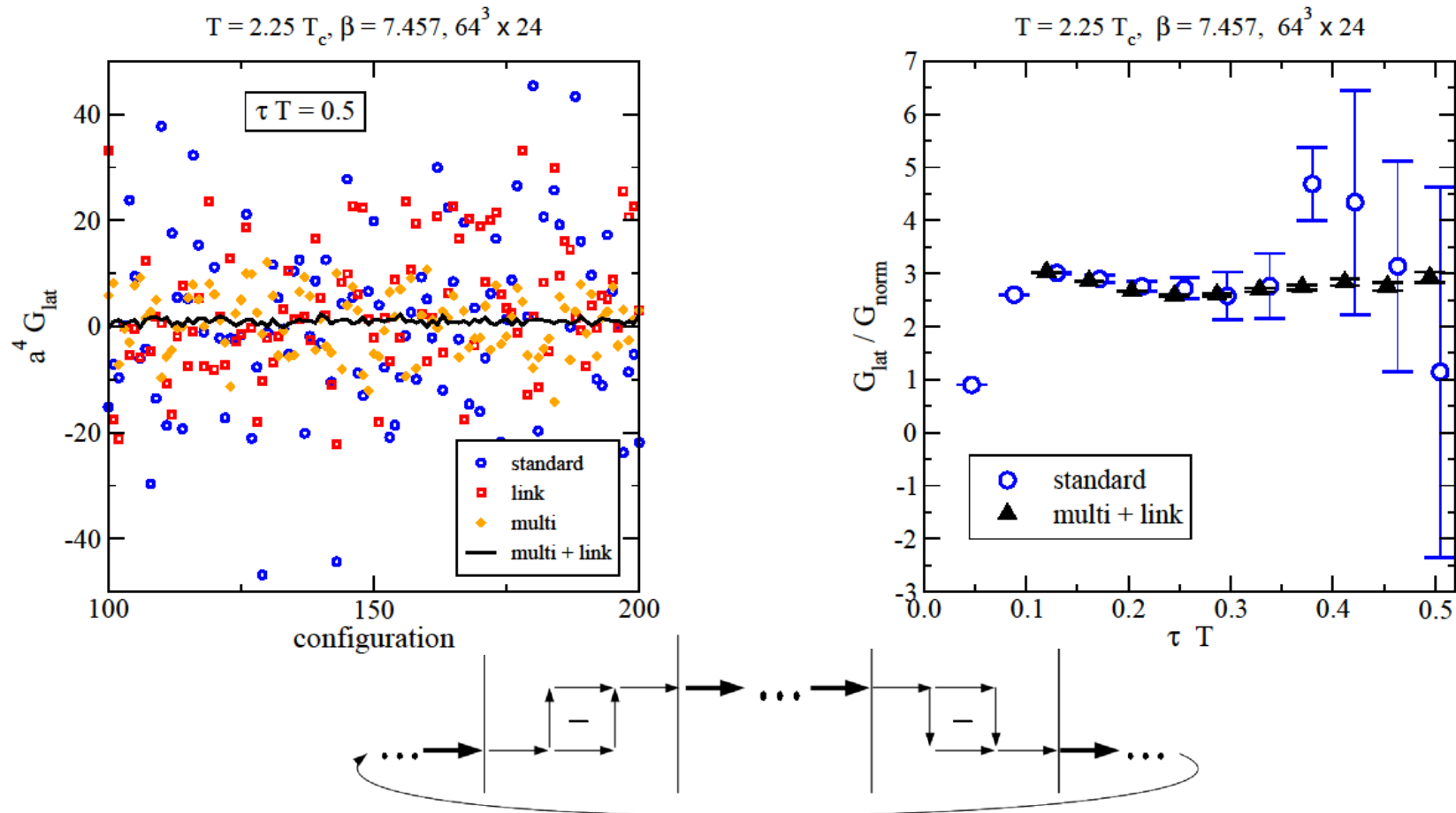
in contrast to a narrow transport peak, from this a smooth limit

$$\kappa/T^3 = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{2T \rho_E(\omega)}{\omega}$$

is expected

qualitatively similar behavior also found in AdS/CFT [S.Gubser, Nucl.Phys.B790 (2008)175]

[A.Francis,OK,M.Laine,J.Langelage, arXiv:1109.3941 and arXiv:1311.3759]

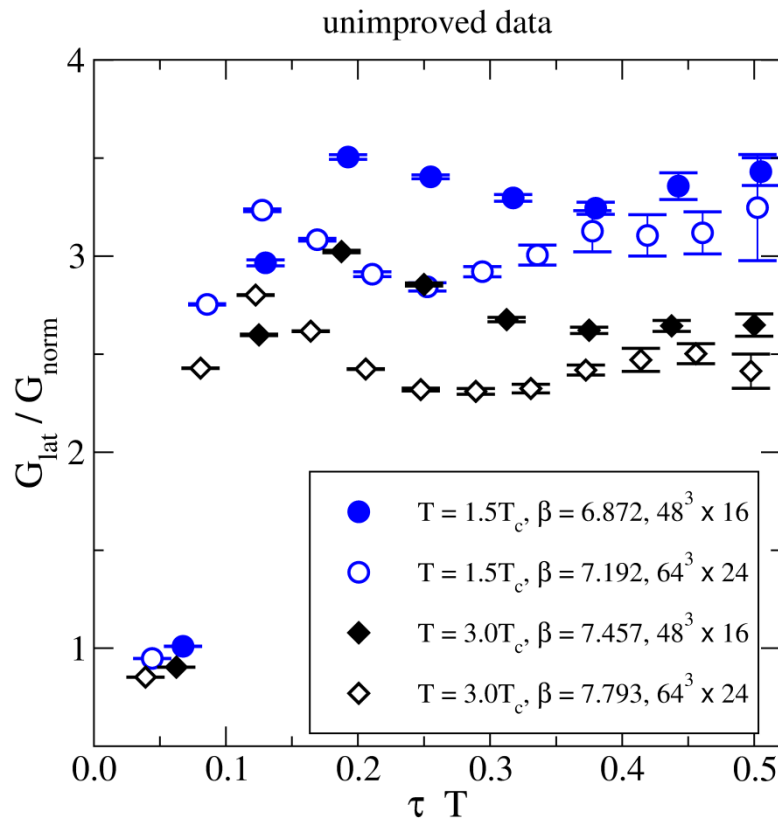


due to the gluonic nature of the operator, signal is extremely noisy

→ **multilevel** combined with **link-integration** techniques to improve the signal

[Lüscher,Weisz JHEP 0109 (2001)010
and H.B.Meyer PRD (2007) 101701]

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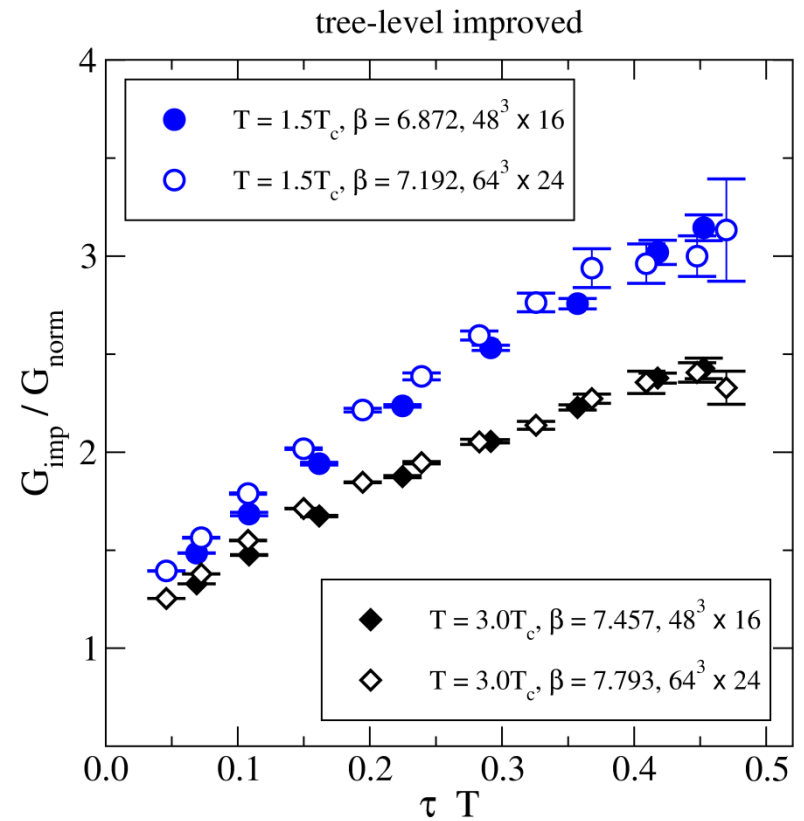
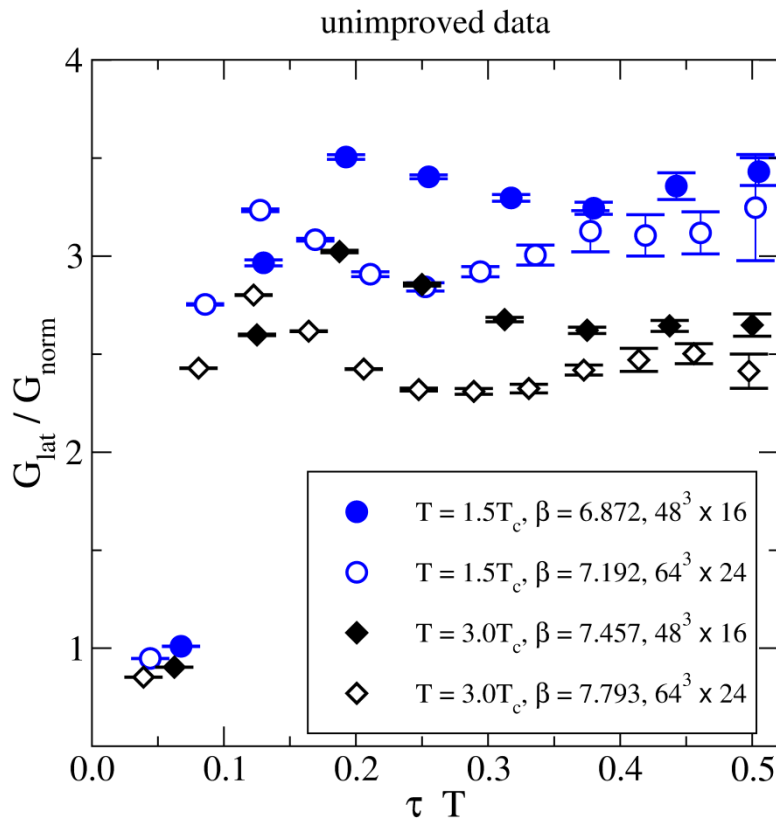
normalized by the LO-perturbative correlation function:

$$G_{\text{norm}}(\tau T) \equiv \frac{G_{\text{cont}}^{\text{LO}}(\tau T)}{g^2 C_F} = \pi^2 T^4 \left[\frac{\cos^2(\pi \tau T)}{\sin^4(\pi \tau T)} + \frac{1}{3 \sin^2(\pi \tau T)} \right] \quad C_F \equiv \frac{N_c^2 - 1}{2N_c}$$

and renormalized using NLO renormalization constants $Z(g^2)$

Heavy Quark Momentum Diffusion Constant – Tree-Level Improvement 73

[A.Francis,OK,M.Laine,J.Langelage, arXiv:1109.3941 and arXiv:1311.3759]



lattice cut-off effects visible at small separations (left figure)

→ **tree-level improvement** (right figure) to reduce discretization effects

$$G_{\text{cont}}^{\text{LO}}(\overline{\tau T}) = G_{\text{lat}}^{\text{LO}}(\tau T)$$

leads to an effective reduction of cut-off effect for all τT

[A.Francis, OK, M.Laine, T.Neuhaus, H.Ohno, PRD92(2015)116003]

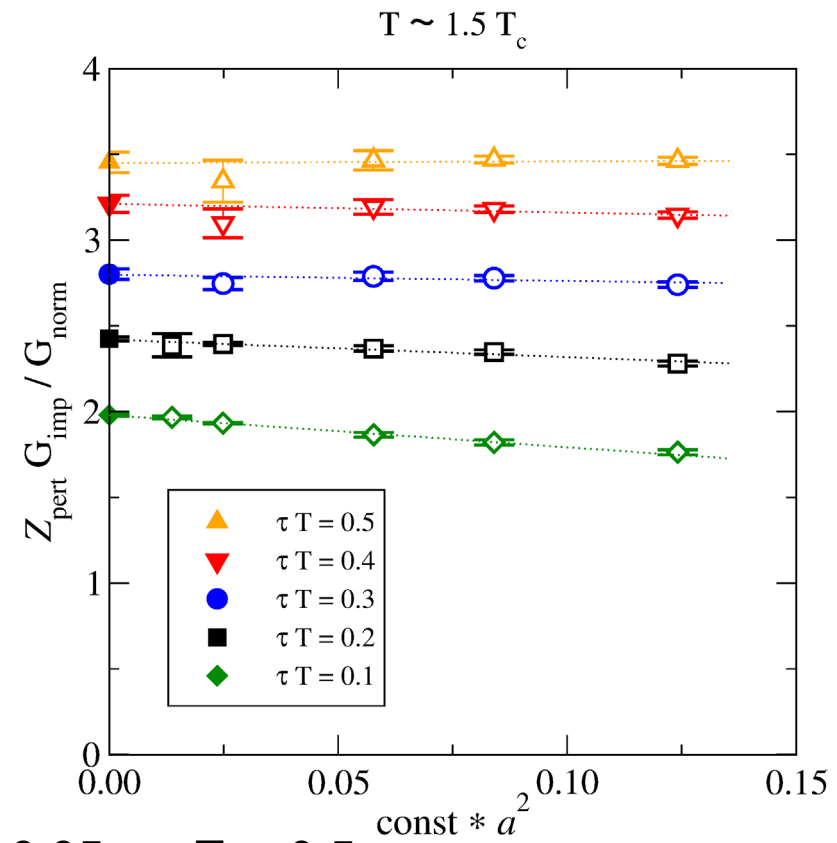
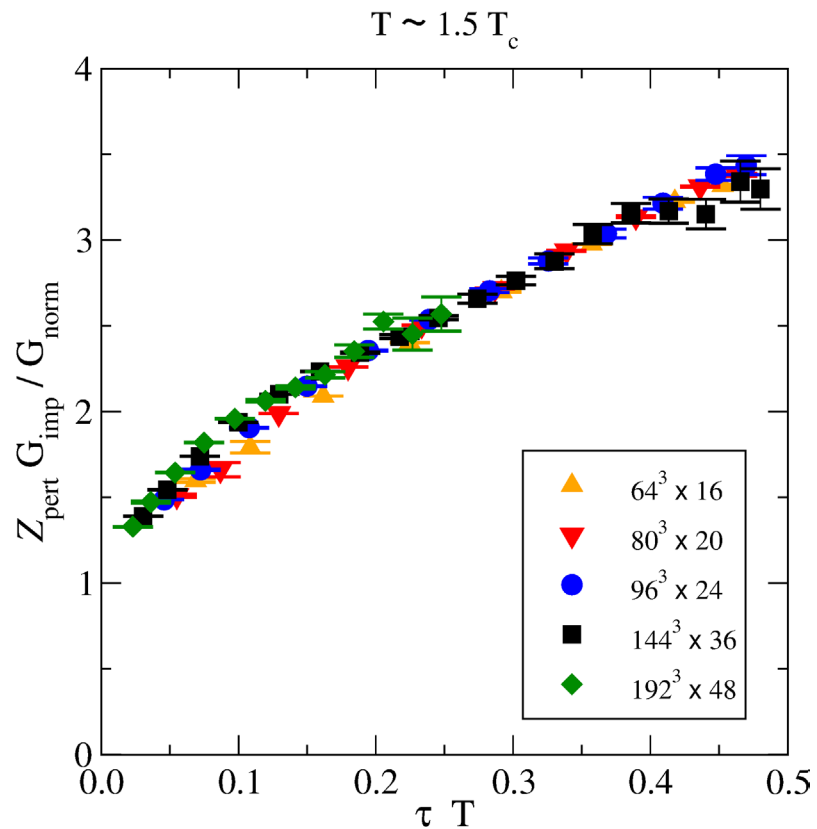
Quenched Lattice QCD on large and fine isotropic lattices at $T \simeq 1.5 T_c$

- standard Wilson gauge action
- algorithmic improvements to enhance signal/noise ratio
- fixed aspect ratio $N_s/N_t = 4$, i.e. fixed physical volume $(2\text{fm})^3$
- perform the continuum limit, $a \rightarrow 0 \leftrightarrow N_t \rightarrow \infty$
- determine κ in the continuum using an Ansatz for the spectral fct. $\rho(\omega)$
- scale setting using r_0 and t_0 scale [A.Francis,OK,M.Laine, T.Neuhaus, H.Ohno, PRD91(2015)096002]

β_0	$N_s^3 \times N_\tau$	confs	$T\sqrt{t_0}^{(\text{imp})}$	$T/T_c _{t_0}^{(\text{imp})}$	$T\sqrt{t_0}^{(\text{clov})}$	$T/T_c _{t_0}^{(\text{clov})}$	Tr_0	$T/T_c _{r_0}$
6.872	$64^3 \times 16$	172	0.3770	1.52	0.3805	1.53	1.116	1.50
7.035	$80^3 \times 20$	180	0.3693	1.48	0.3739	1.50	1.086	1.46
7.192	$96^3 \times 24$	160	0.3728	1.50	0.3790	1.52	1.089	1.46
7.544	$144^3 \times 36$	693	0.3791	1.52	0.3896	1.57	1.089	1.46
7.793	$192^3 \times 48$	223	0.3816	1.53	0.3955	1.59	1.084	1.45

similar studies by [Banerjee,Datta,Gavai,Majumdar, PRD85(2012)014510]
and [H.B.Meyer, New J.Phys.13(2011)035008]

we performed a continuum extrapolation, $a \rightarrow 0 \leftrightarrow N_t \rightarrow \infty$, at fixed $T = 1/a N_t$



well behaved continuum extrapolation for $0.05 \leq \tau T \leq 0.5$

finest lattice already close to the continuum

coarser lattices at larger τT show almost no cut-off effects

how to extract the spectral function from the correlator?

$\omega \ll T$: linear behavior motivated at small frequencies

$$\rho_{\text{IR}}(\omega) = \frac{\kappa\omega}{2T}$$

$\omega \gg T$: vacuum perturbative results and leading order thermal correction:

$$\rho_{\text{UV}}(\omega) = [\rho_{\text{UV}}(\omega)]_{T=0} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{g^4 T^4}{\omega}\right)$$

using a renormalization scale $\bar{\mu}_\omega = \omega$ for $\omega \gg \Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$ leading order becomes

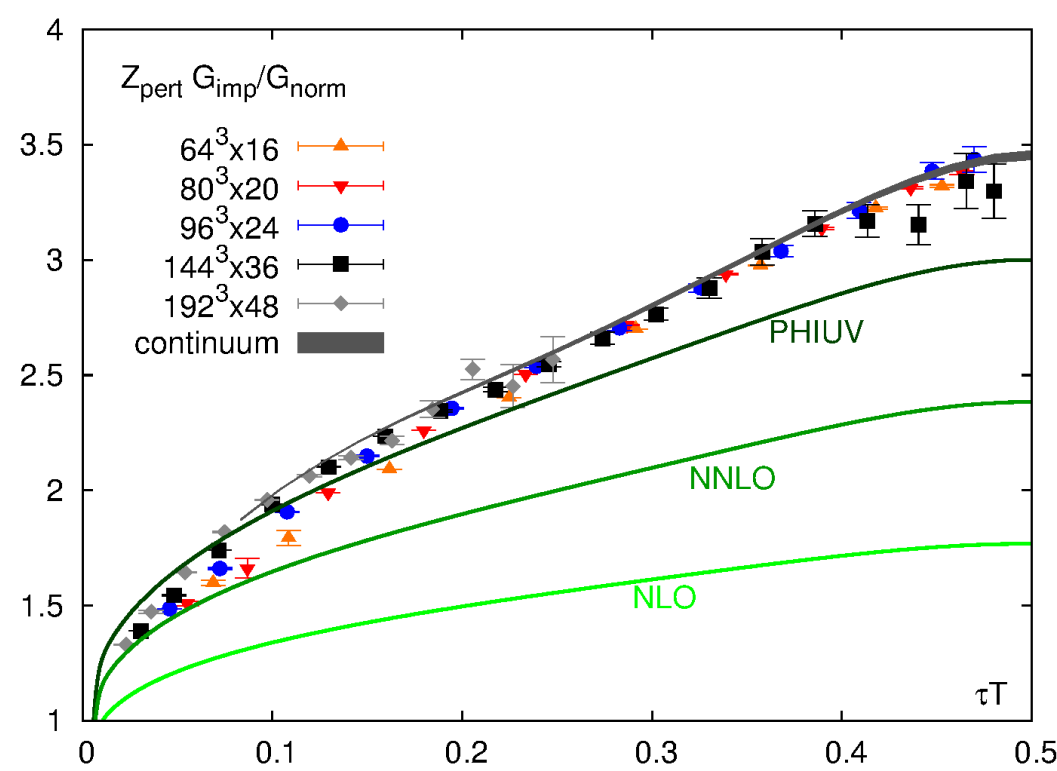
$$\rho_{\text{UV}}(\omega) = \Phi_{UV}(\omega) \left[1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\ln(\omega/\Lambda_{MS})}\right) \right]$$

$$\Phi_{\text{UV}}(\omega) = \frac{g^2(\bar{\mu}_\omega) C_F \omega^3}{6\pi} \quad , \quad \bar{\mu}_\omega \equiv \max(\omega, \pi T)$$

here we used 4-loop running of the coupling

model the spectral function using these asymptotics with two free parameters

$$\rho_{\text{model}}(\omega) \equiv \max\left\{ A\Phi_{\text{UV}}(\omega), \frac{\omega\kappa}{2T} \right\}$$



$$\rho_{UV}(\omega) = \frac{g^2(\bar{\mu}_\omega) C_F \omega^3}{6\pi}$$

already closer to the data

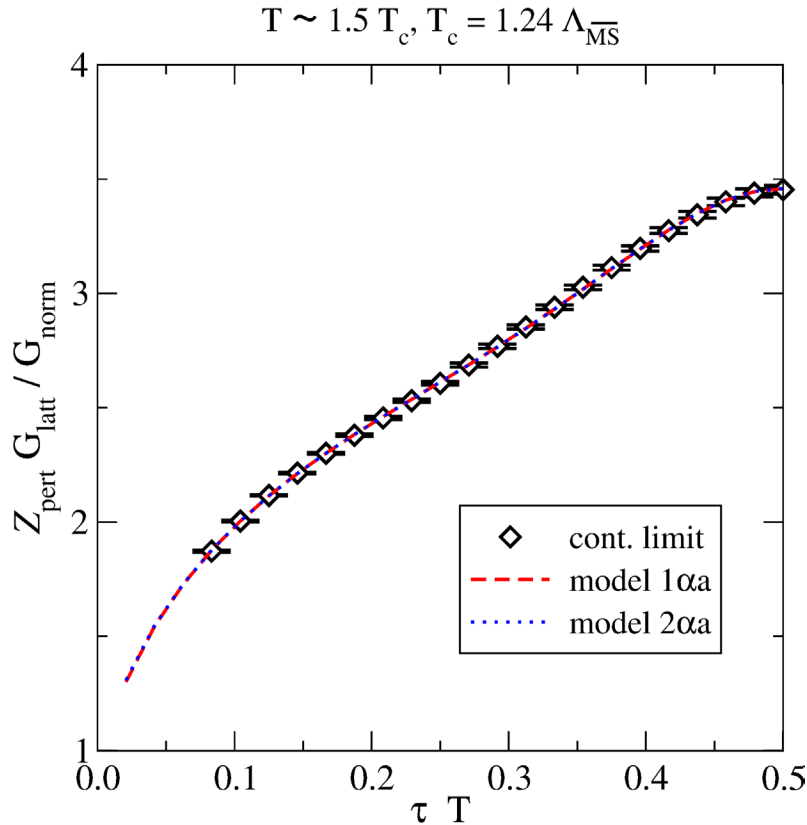
Model spectral function: transport contribution + UV-asymptotics

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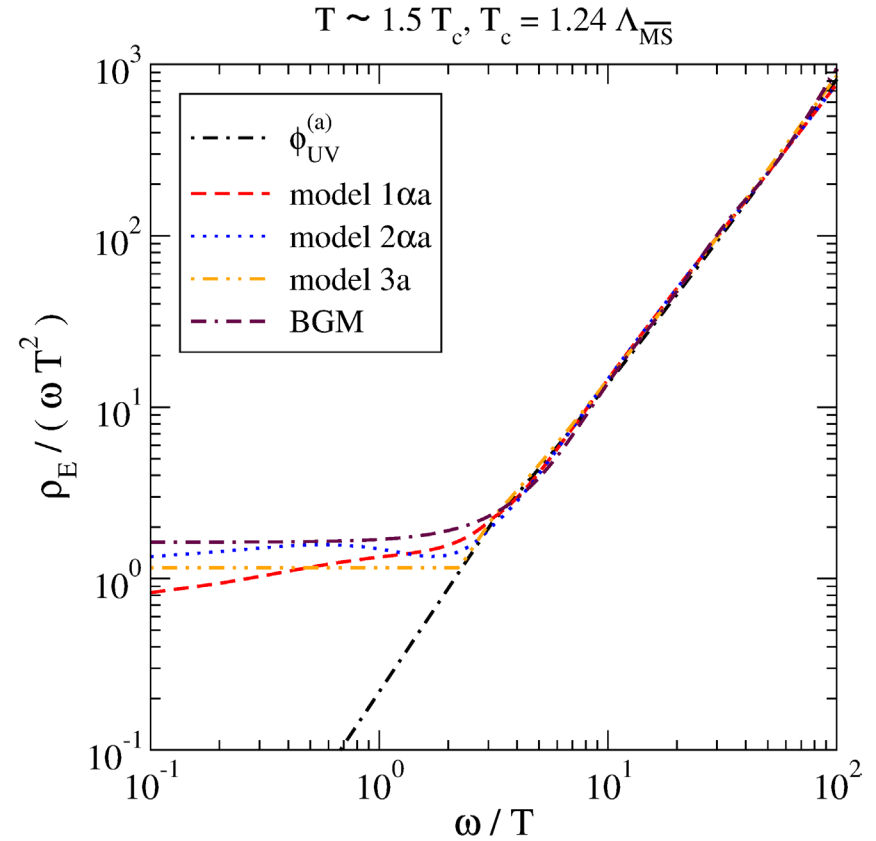
$$G_{\text{model}}(\tau) \equiv \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{\pi} \rho_{\text{model}}(\omega) \frac{\cosh\left(\frac{1}{2} - \tau T\right) \frac{\omega}{T}}{\sinh \frac{\omega}{2T}}$$

analysis of the systematic uncertainties by

modeling corrections to ρ_{IR} by a power series in ω



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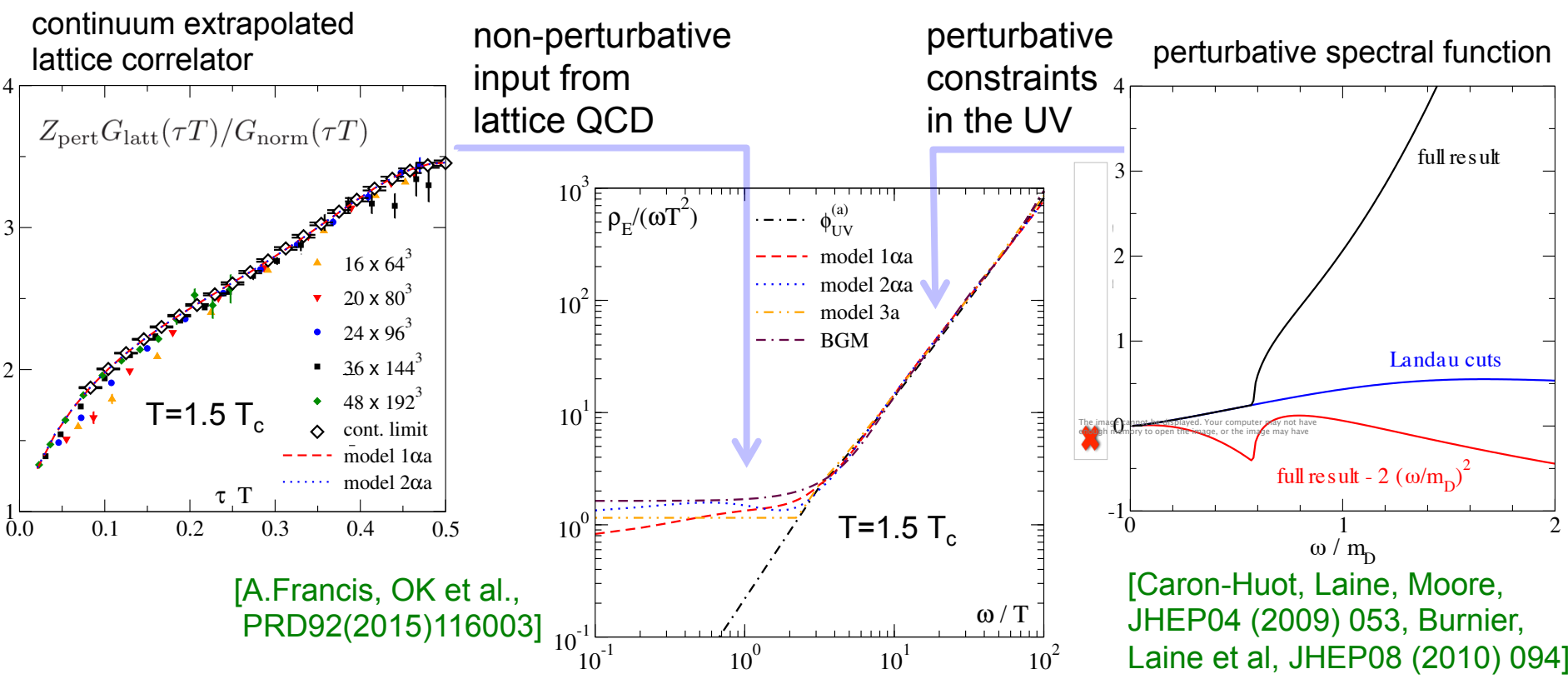
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Heavy-quark momentum diffusion κ

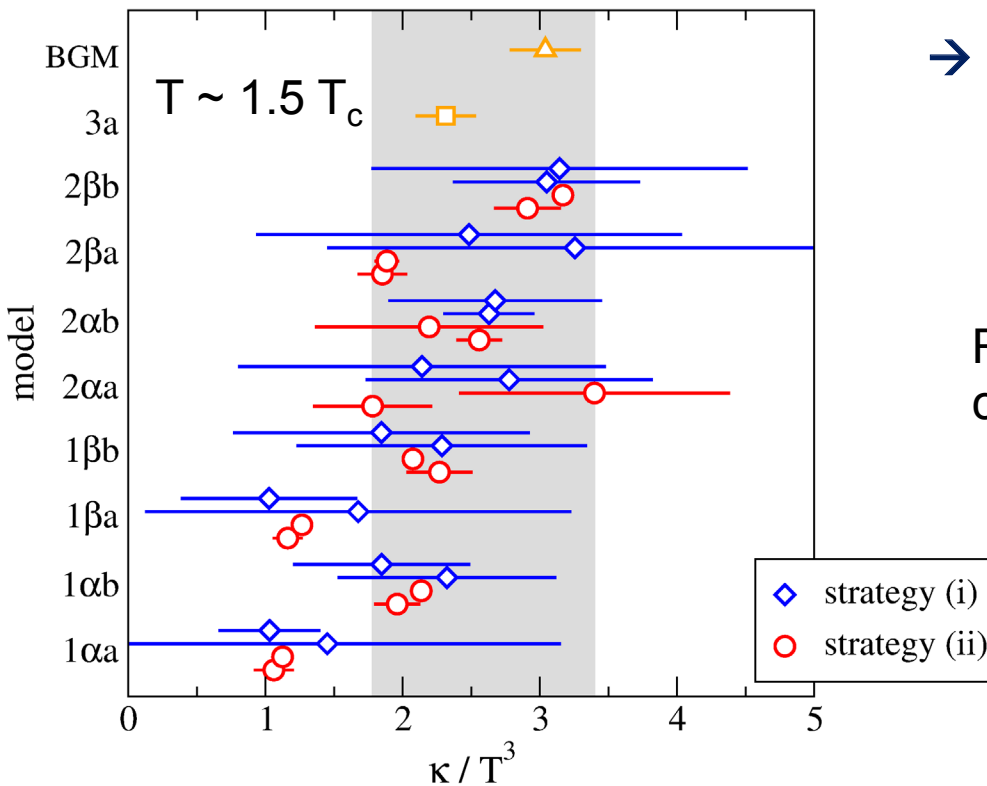
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$$\kappa = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{2T \rho_E(\omega)}{\omega}$$

Combine continuum-extrapolated lattice results and perturbative input at large ω and model corrections in the non-perturbative low- ω region by power series in ω



[A.Francis, OK et al., PRD92(2015)116003]



Detailed analysis of systematic uncertainties

→ **continuum estimate of κ** :

$$\kappa/T^3 = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{2T \rho_E(\omega)}{\omega} = 1.8 \dots 3.4$$

Related to diffusion coefficient D and drag coefficient η_D (in the non-relativistic limit)

$$2\pi T D = 4\pi \frac{T^3}{\kappa} = 3.7 \dots 7.0$$

$$\eta_D = \frac{\kappa}{2M_{kin}T} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{\alpha_s^{3/2}T}{M_{kin}}\right) \right)$$

time scale associated with the kinetic equilibration of heavy quarks:

$$\tau_{kin} = \frac{1}{\eta_D} = (1.8 \dots 3.4) \left(\frac{T_c}{T} \right)^2 \left(\frac{M}{1.5 \text{ GeV}} \right) \text{ fm/c}$$

→ close to T_c , $\tau_{kin} \simeq 1 \text{ fm/c}$ and therefore charm quark kinetic equilibration appears to be almost as fast as that of light partons.

using **continuum extrapolated correlation functions** from Lattice QCD and
using phenomenologically inspired and **perturbatively constrained Ansätze**
allows to extract **transport properties** and **spectral properties**

we obtained continuum estimates for

- **Electrical conductivity / Diffusion coefficients**
- **Thermal dilepton rates**
- **Thermal photon rates**

next goals: continuum extrapolation for charm and bottom correlators

- quark mass dependence of diffusion coefficient + sequential melting of quarkonia

The methodology developed in this studies within the quenched approximation
shall be extended to full QCD calculations for a realistic QGP medium
as close to T_c dynamical fermion degrees of freedom will become important