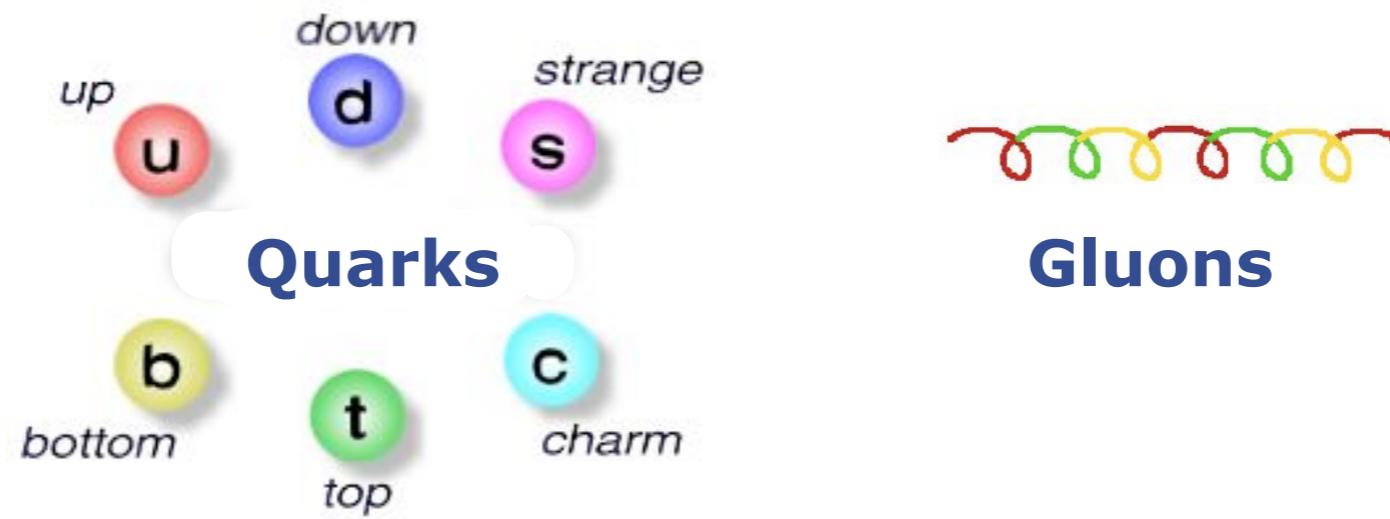
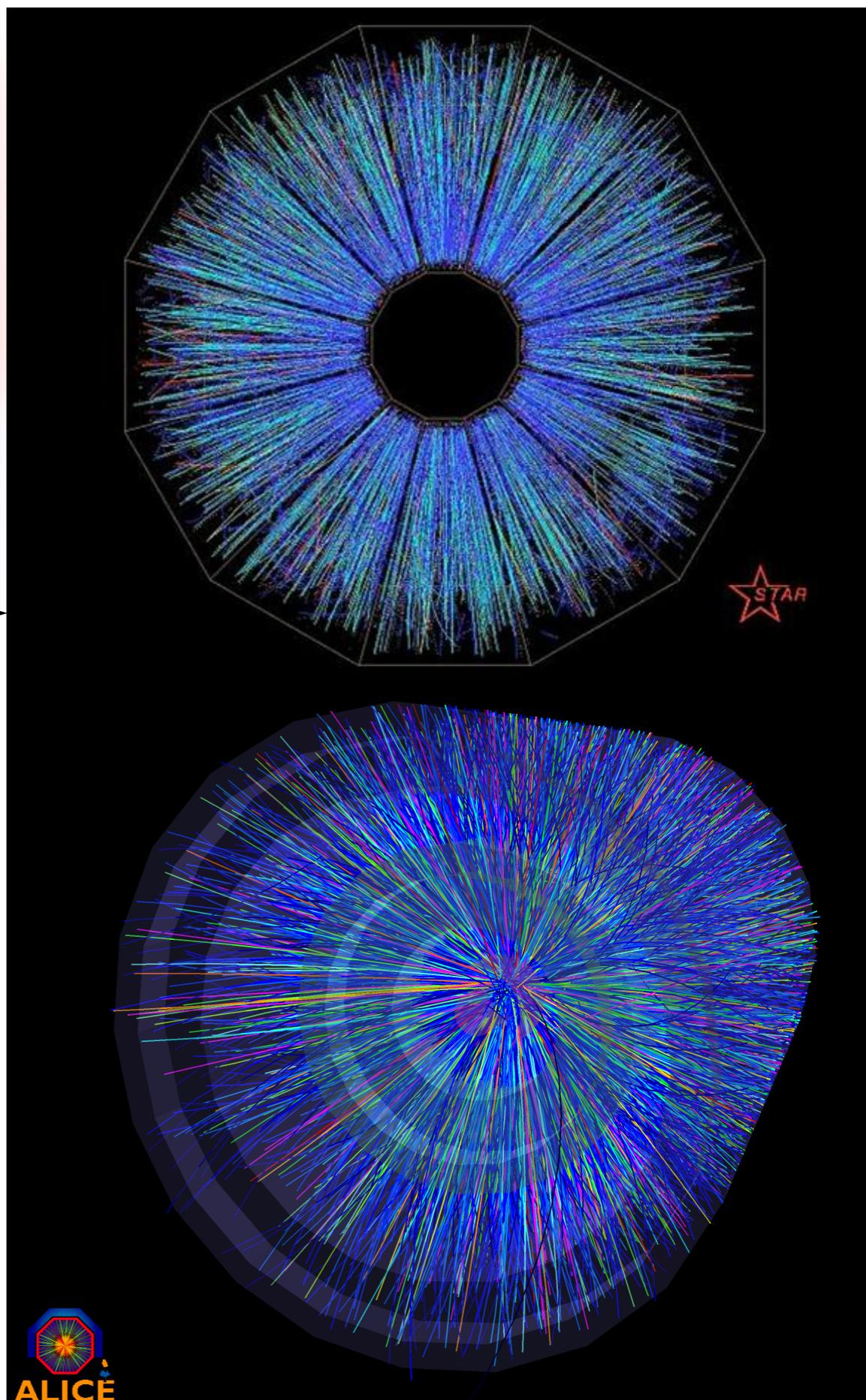
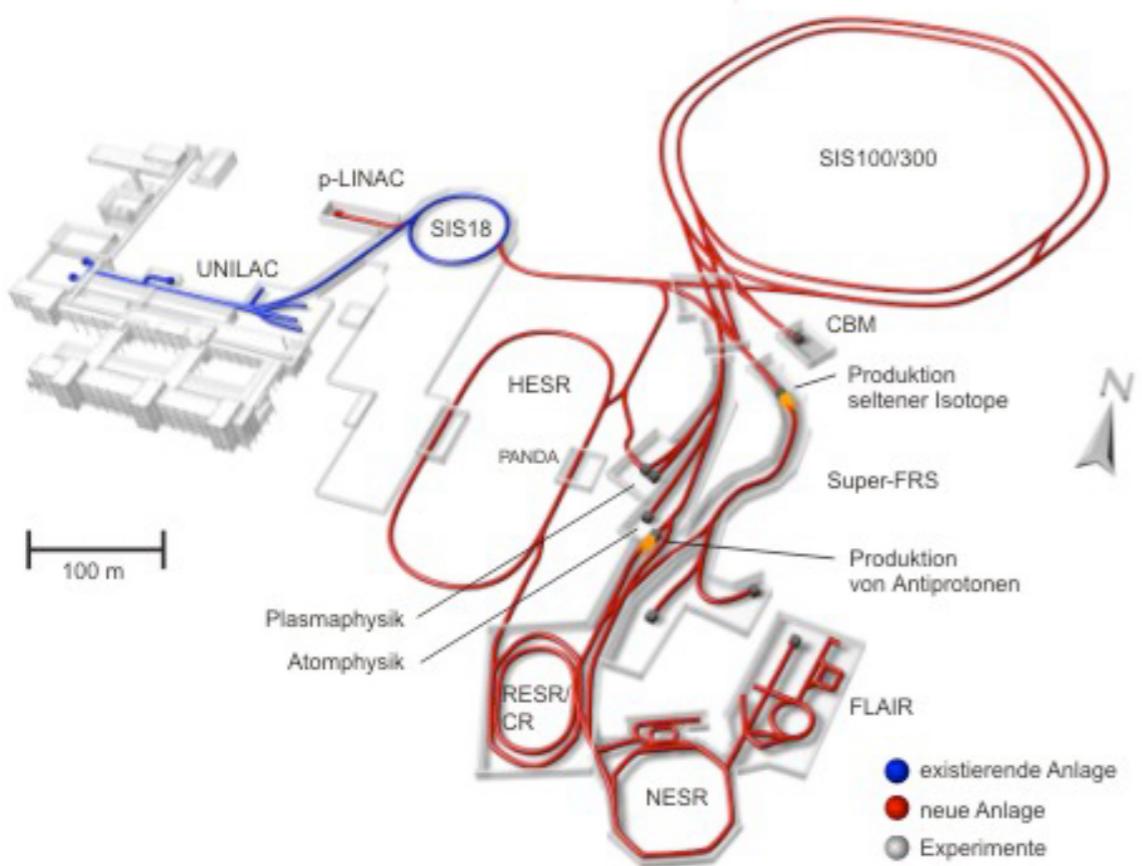
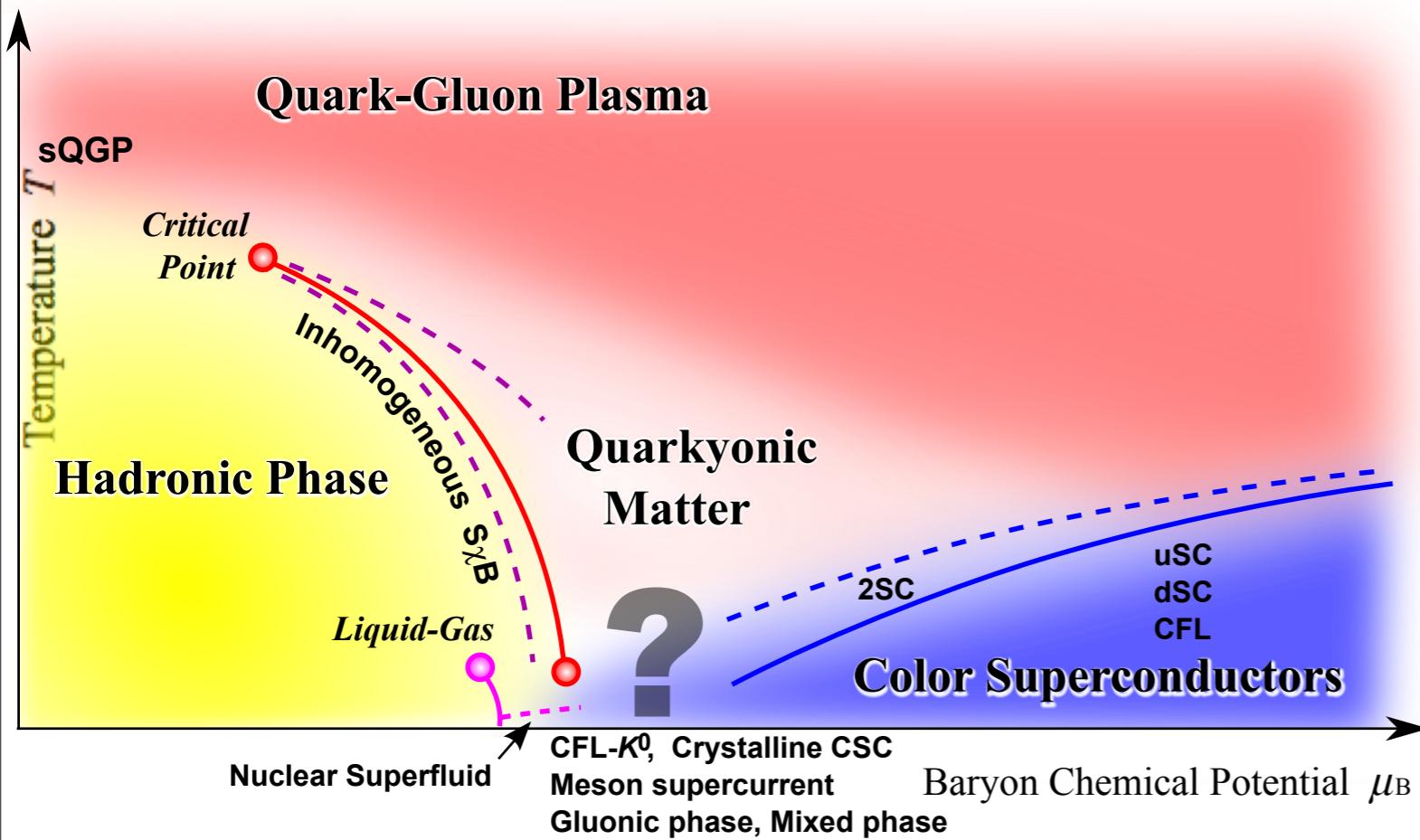


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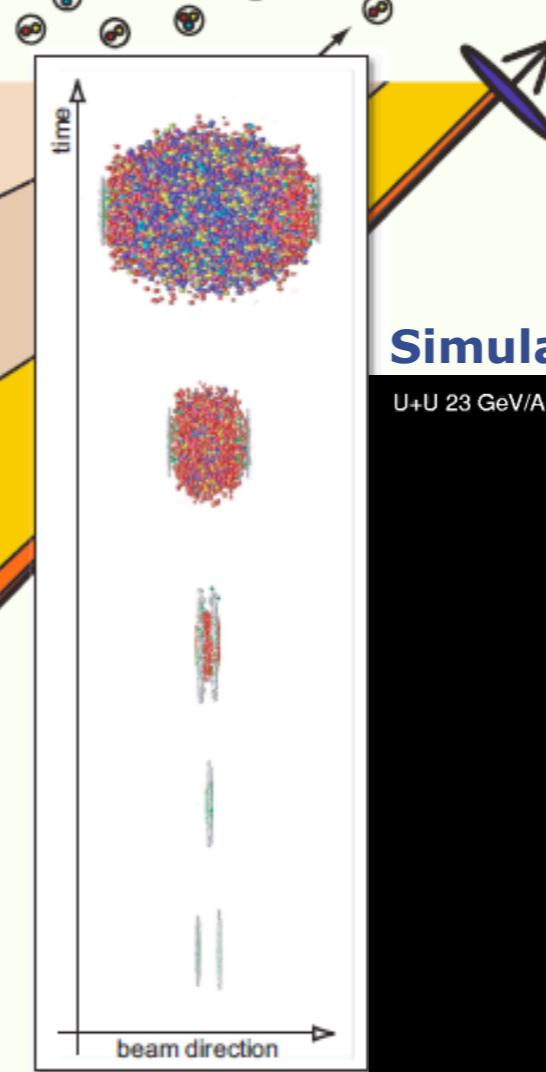
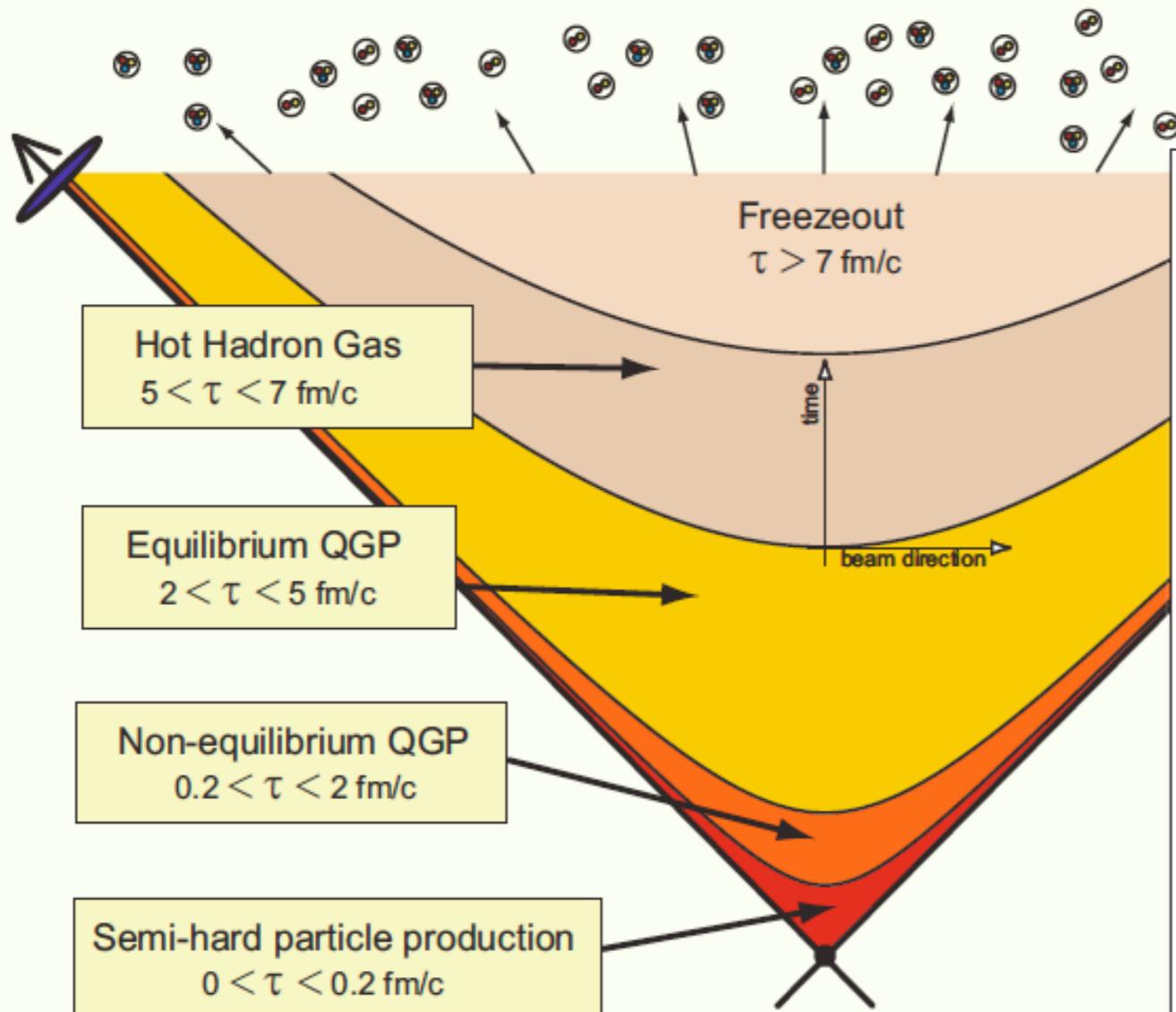


# Heavy ion collisions



# Heavy ion collisions

## Heavy-ion collision timescales and “epochs” @ RHIC



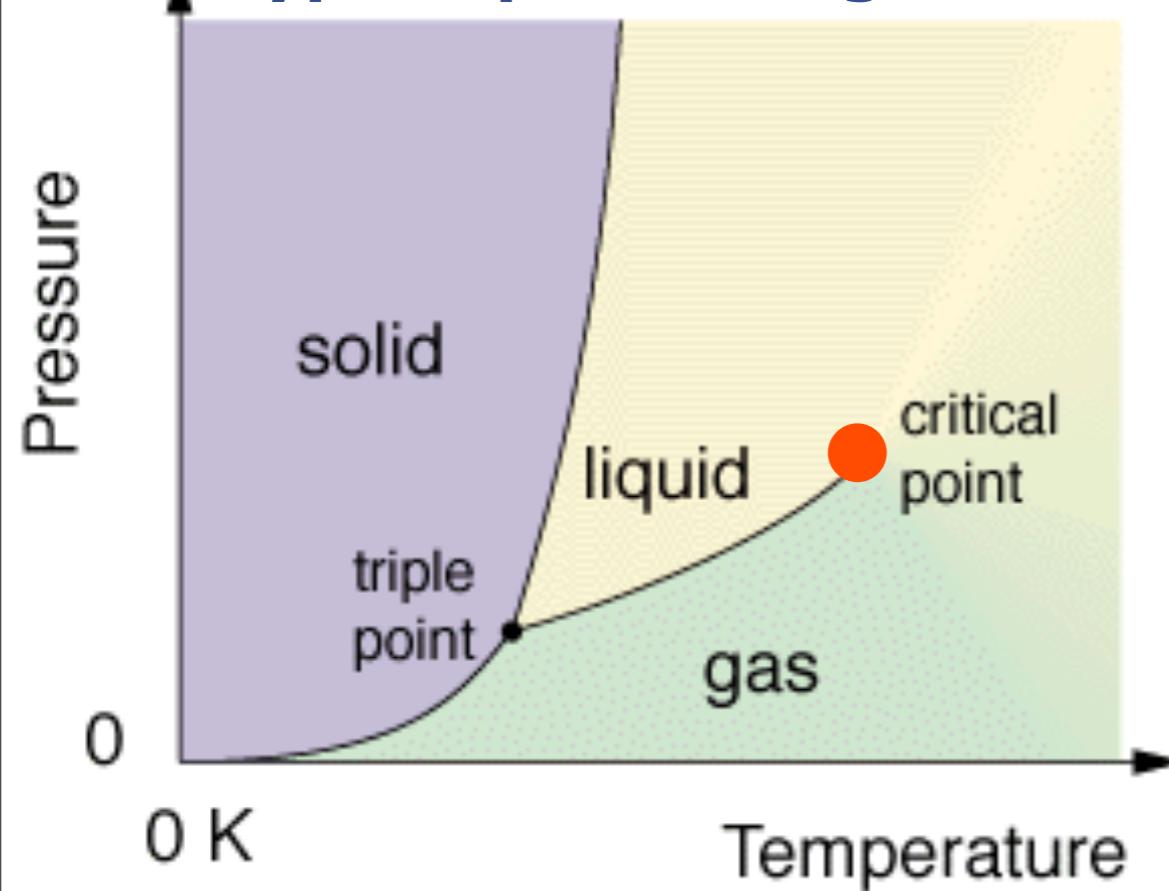
\* $1 \text{ fm/c} \simeq 3 \times 10^{-24} \text{ seconds}$

Strickland

UrQMD Frankfurt/M

# Phase diagrams & order parameters

typical phase diagram



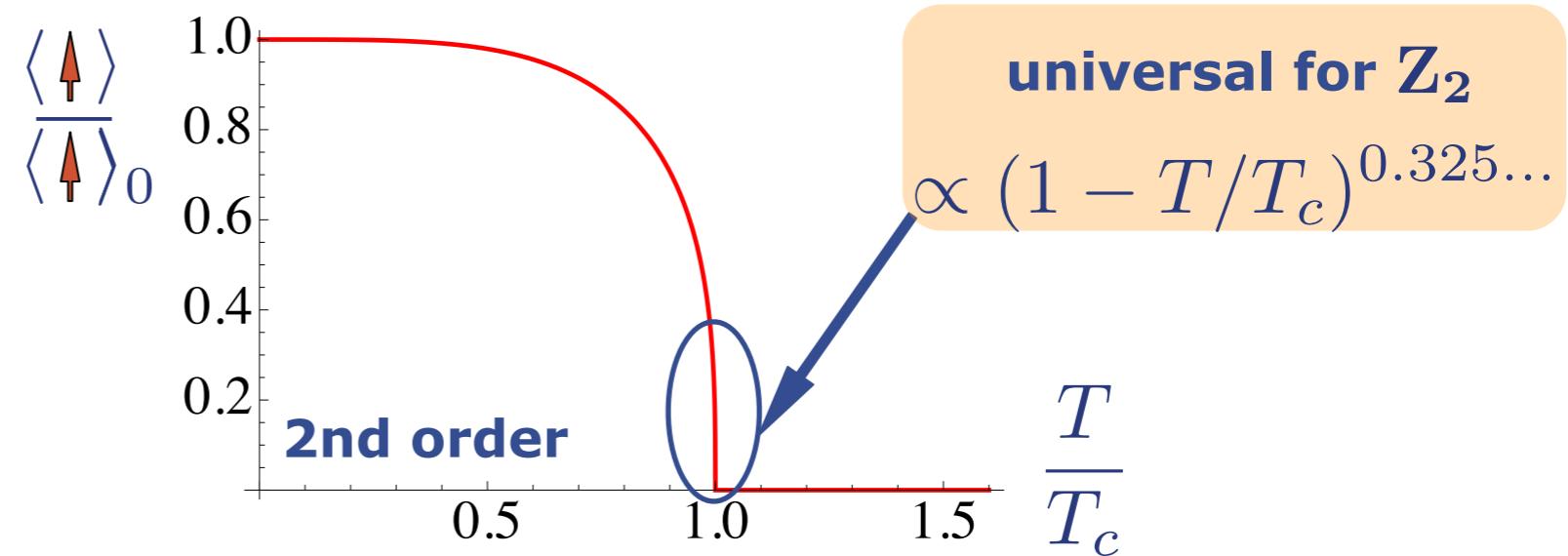
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Order parameter: density

density jumps	1st order phase transition
derivative of density jumps	2nd order phase transition
density smooth	cross-over

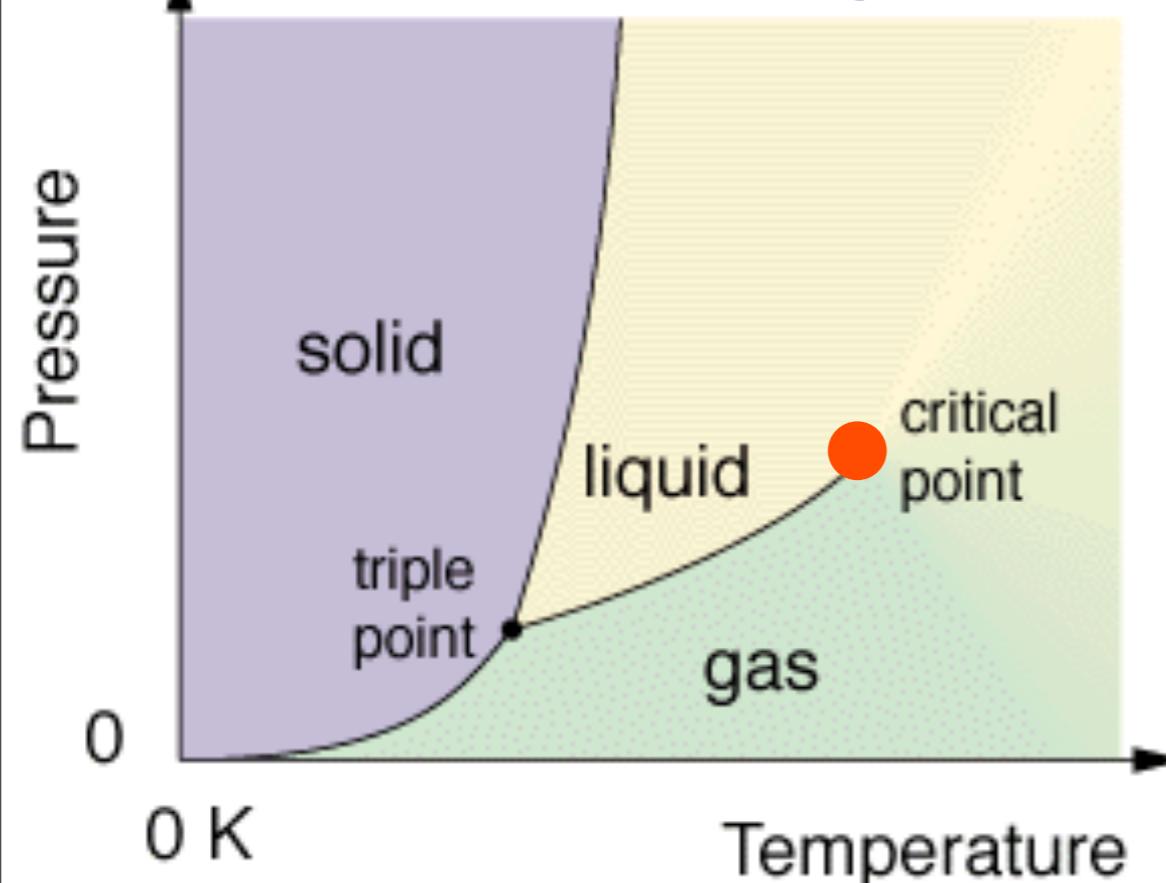
Ising model in 3d:  $(\downarrow \uparrow)$ -spin system

Order parameter:  $\langle \uparrow \rangle$



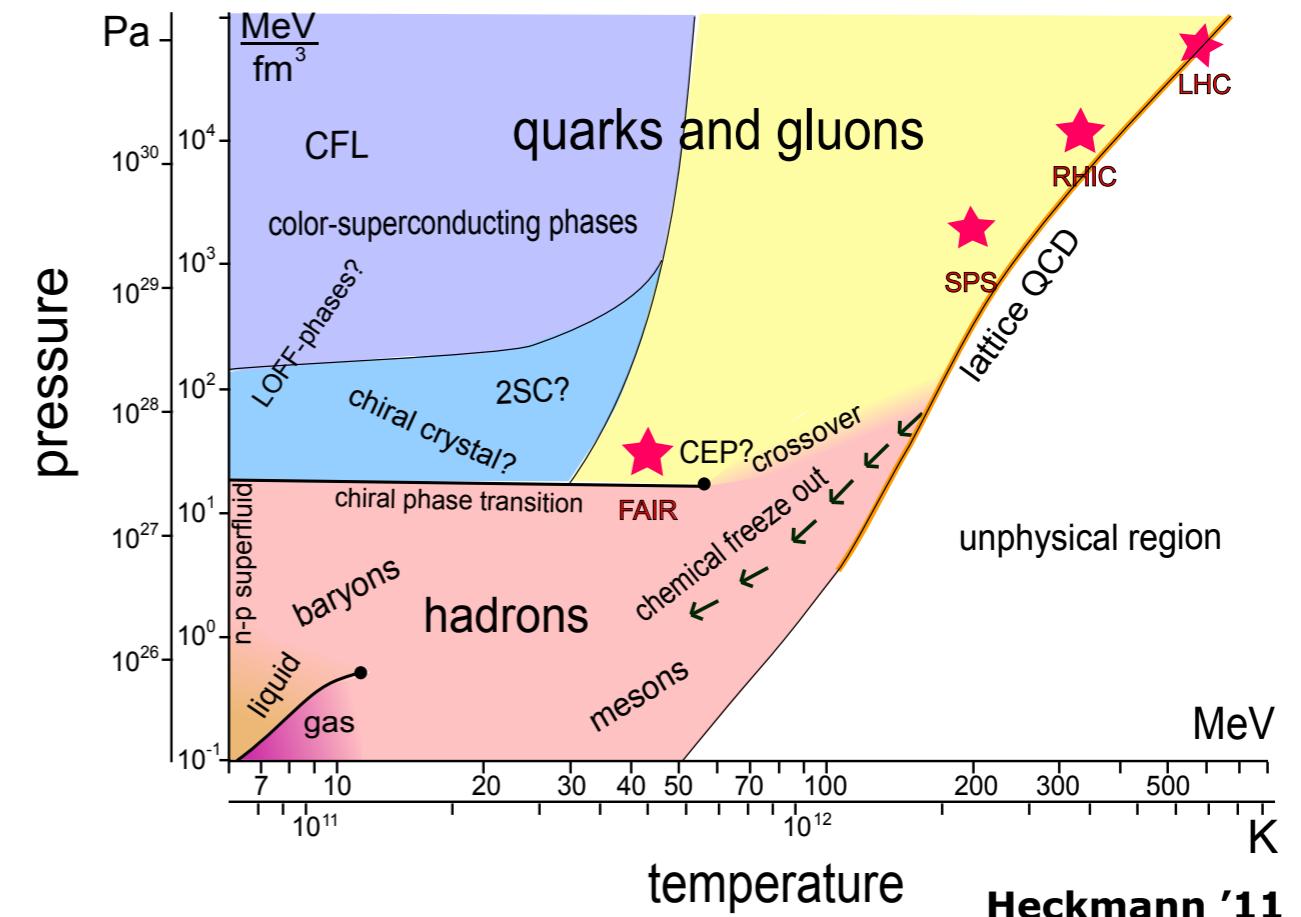
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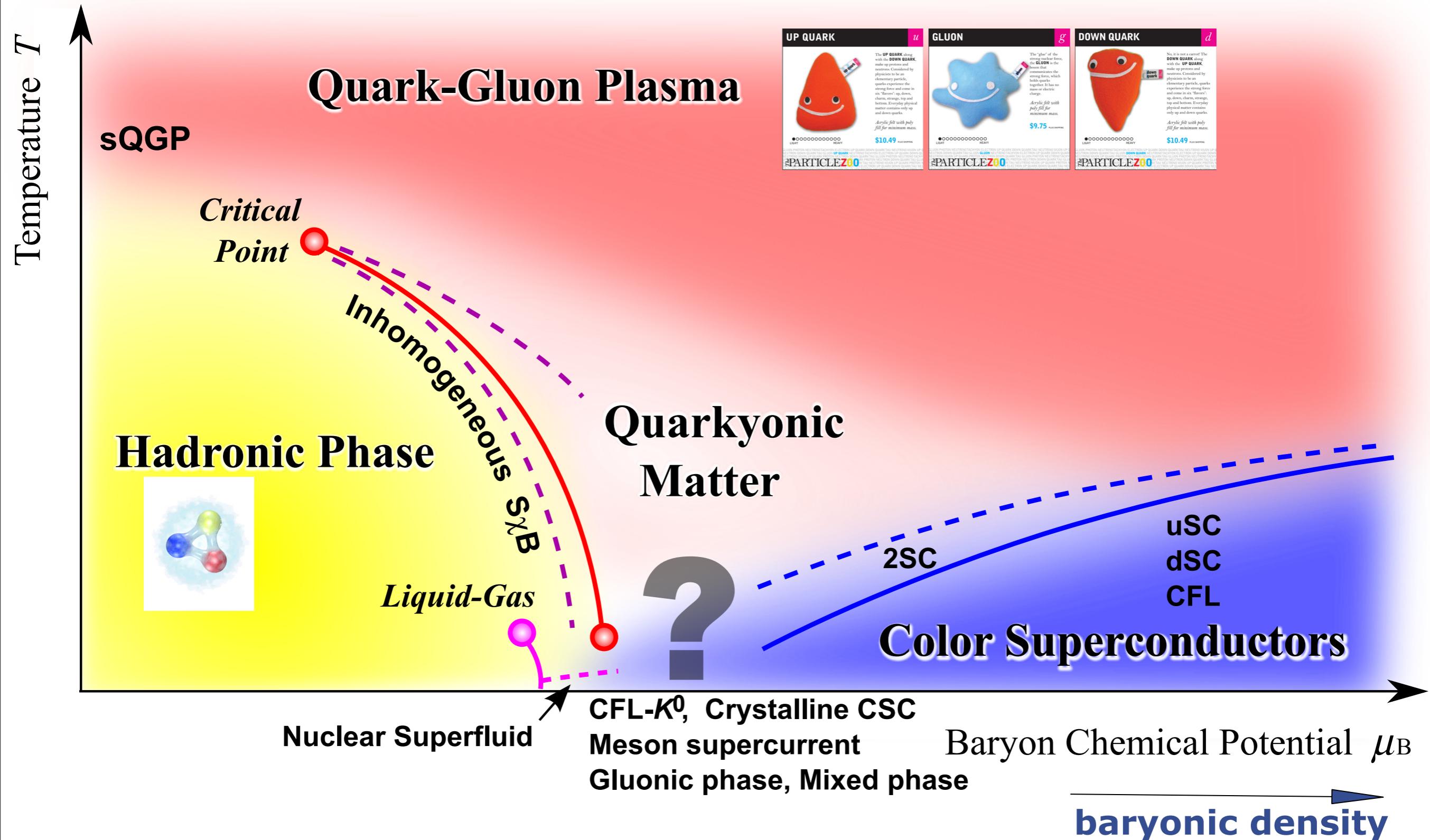


## Phases of QCD

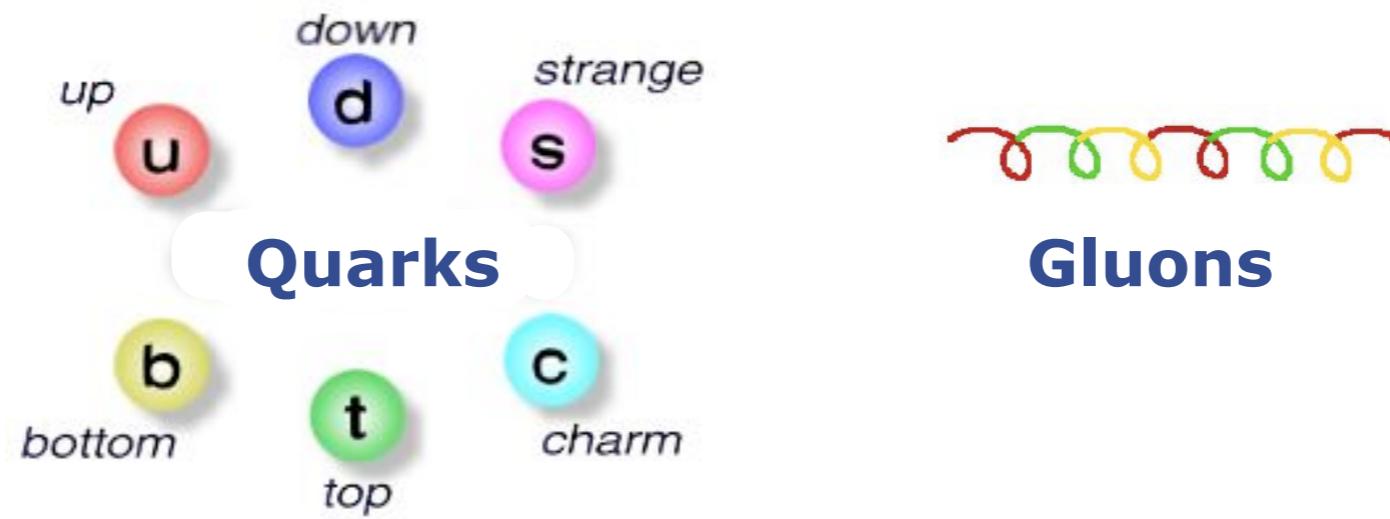
quarks massless - massive

quarks confined - deconfined

# Phase diagram of QCD



# QCD, asymptotic freedom and all that



# **QCD, asymptotic freedom and all that**

## Action and interactions

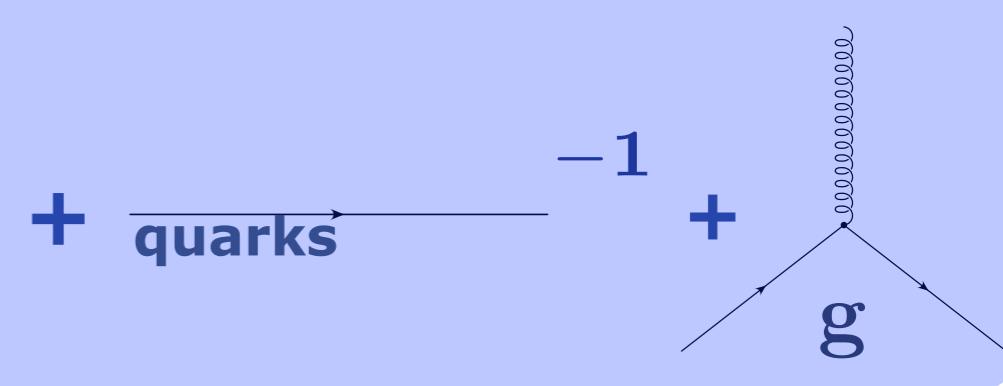
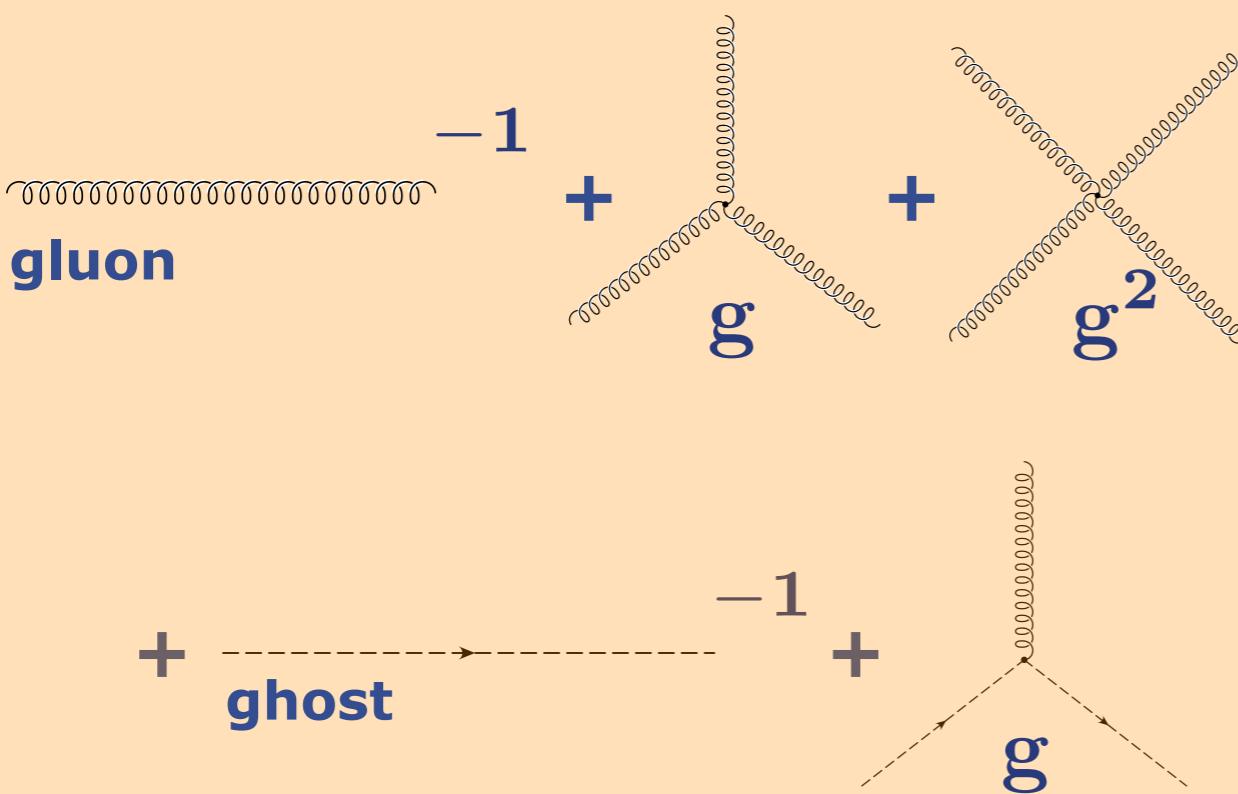
# **QCD action** $S_{\text{QCD}}$

# Yang-Mills

# gauge fixing

# Pure gauge theory

# matter sector



$$N_f = 6$$

**Quarks**

- up (**u**)
- down (**d**)
- strange (**s**)
- bottom (**b**)
- top (**t**)
- charm (**c**)

# **QCD, asymptotic freedom and all that**

## Action and interactions

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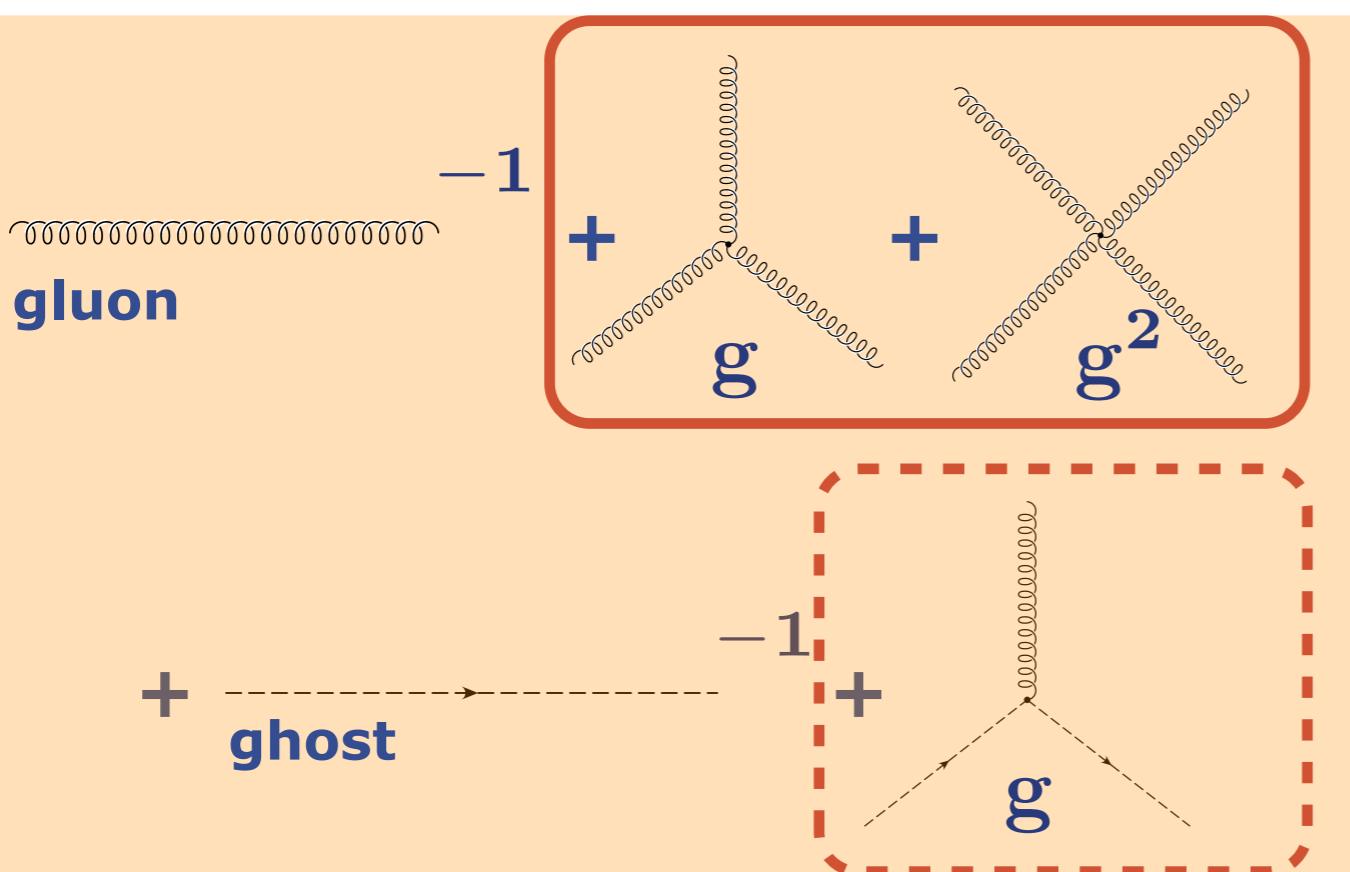
# gauge fixing

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**gluon**                            **ghost**                            **quarks**

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# purely non-Abelian

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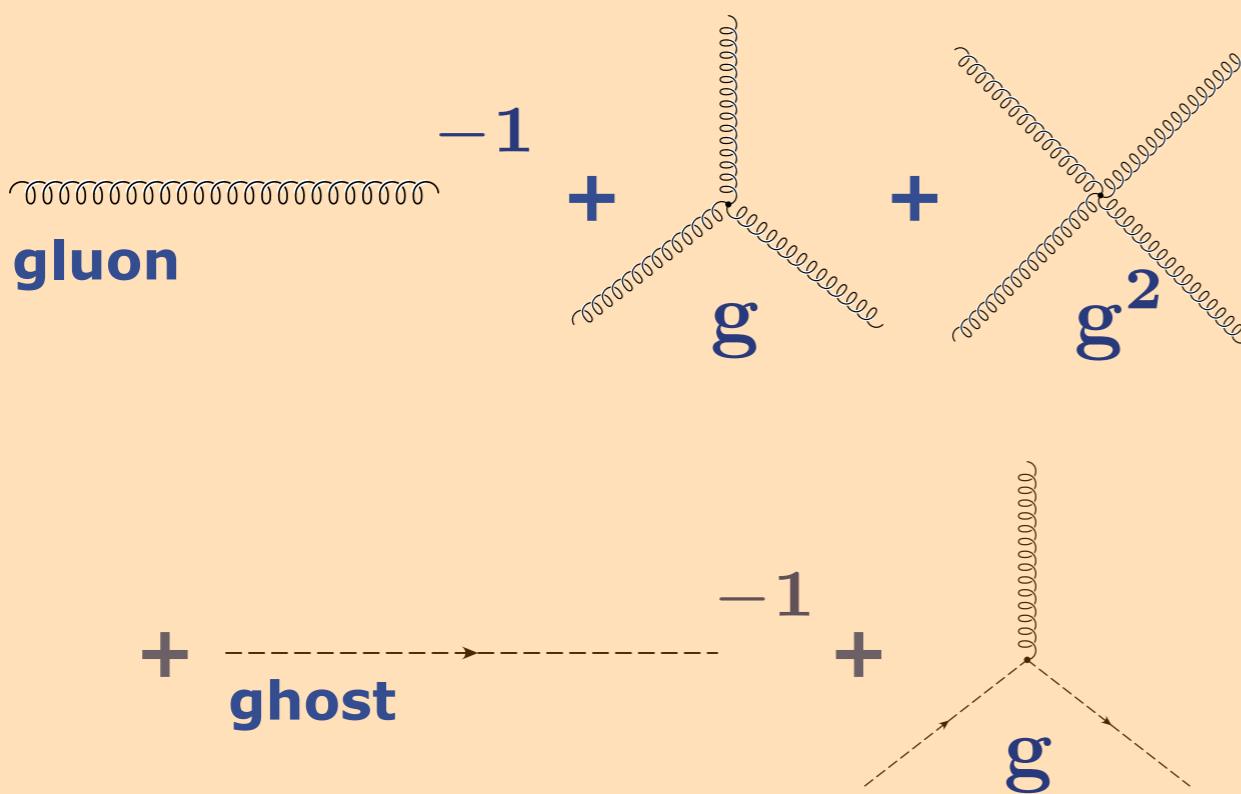
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## **matter sector**

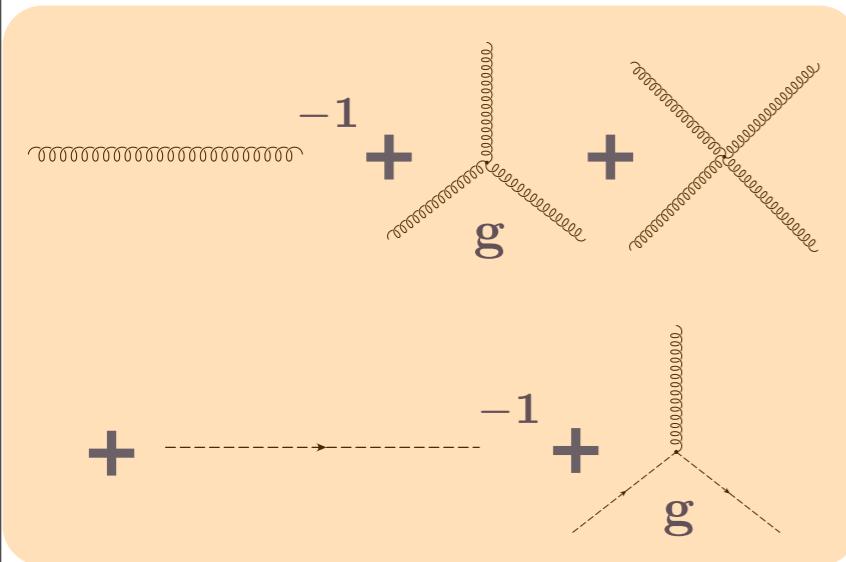


# parameters

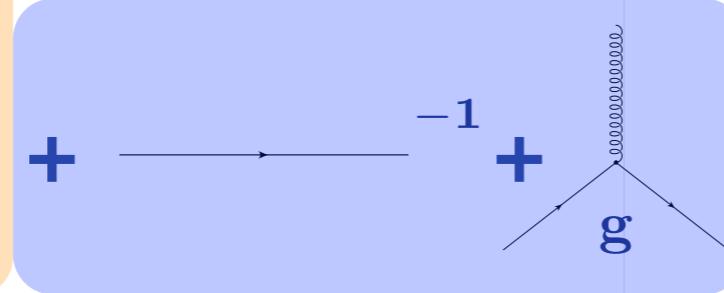
- 1 coupling  $g$
  - mass matrix  $m_\psi$   $N_f \times N_f$

# QCD, asymptotic freedom and all that

## Running coupling at low and high energies



Pure gauge theory

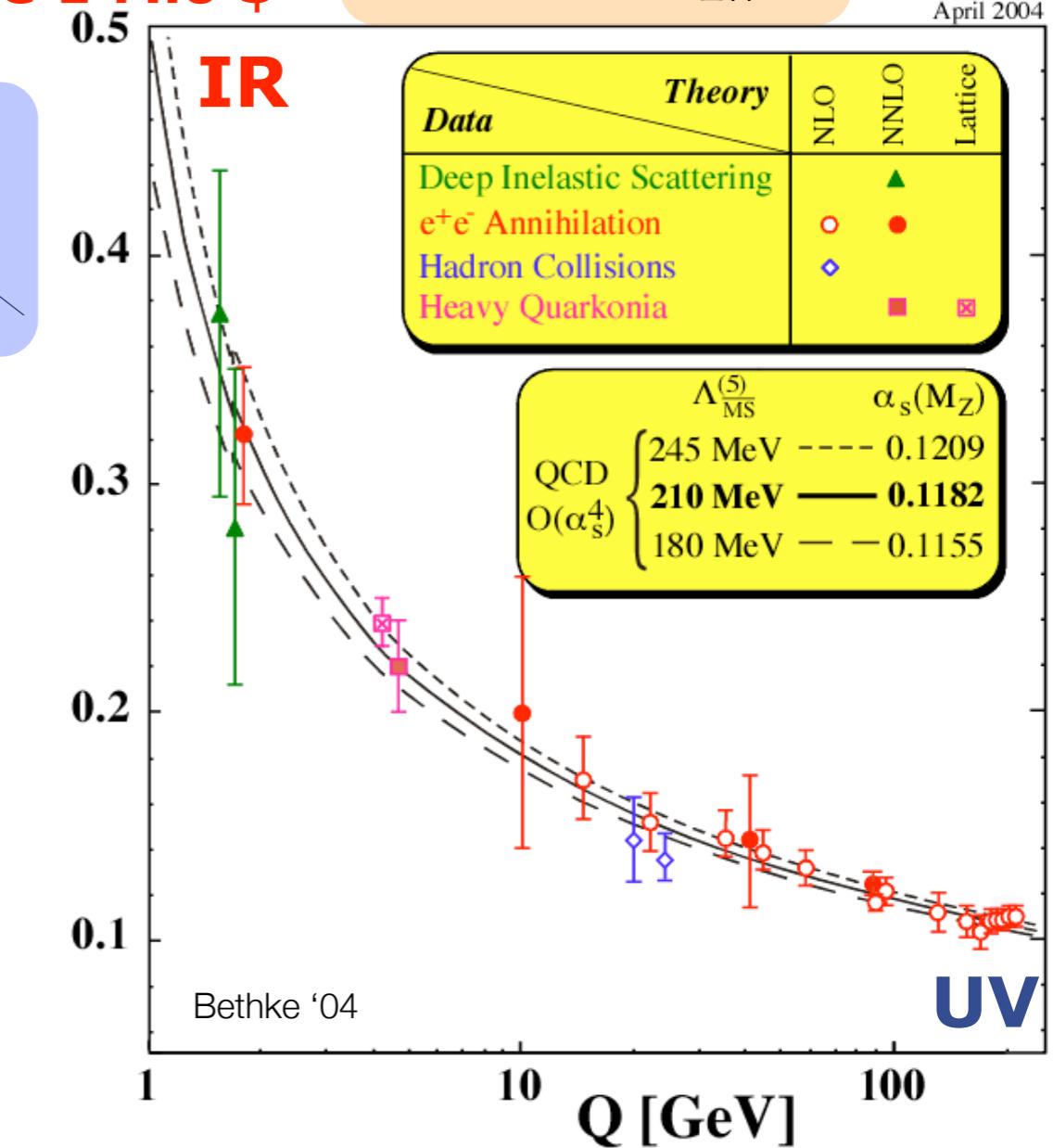


matter sector

Millenium Prize 1 Mio \$

$$\alpha_s(Q) = \frac{g^2(Q)}{4\pi}$$

April 2004

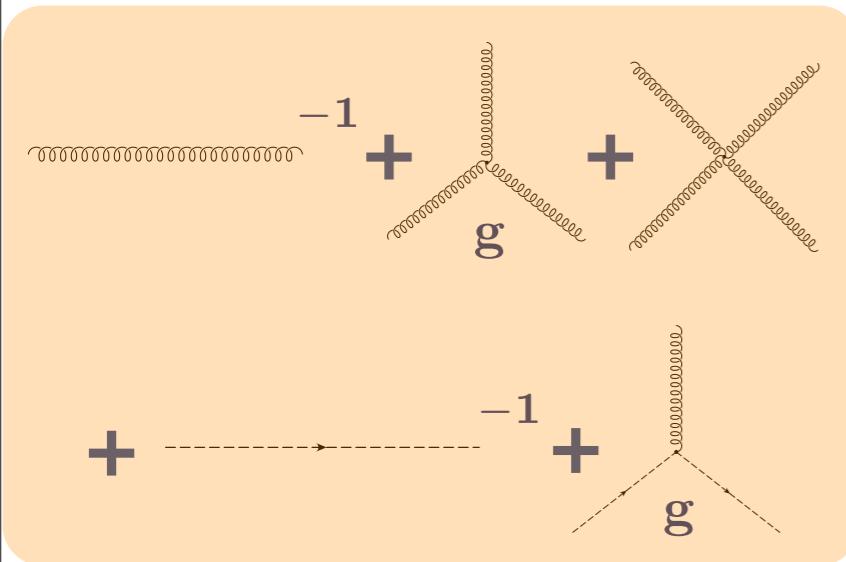


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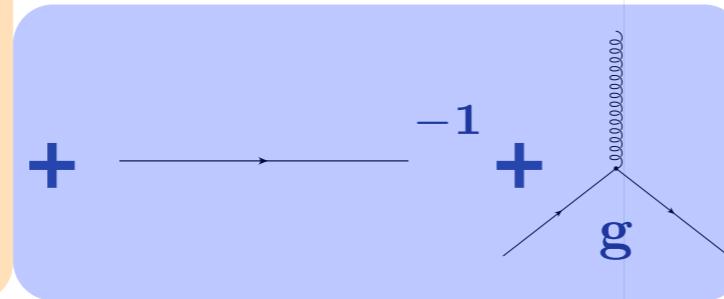
Gross, Politzer, Wilczek

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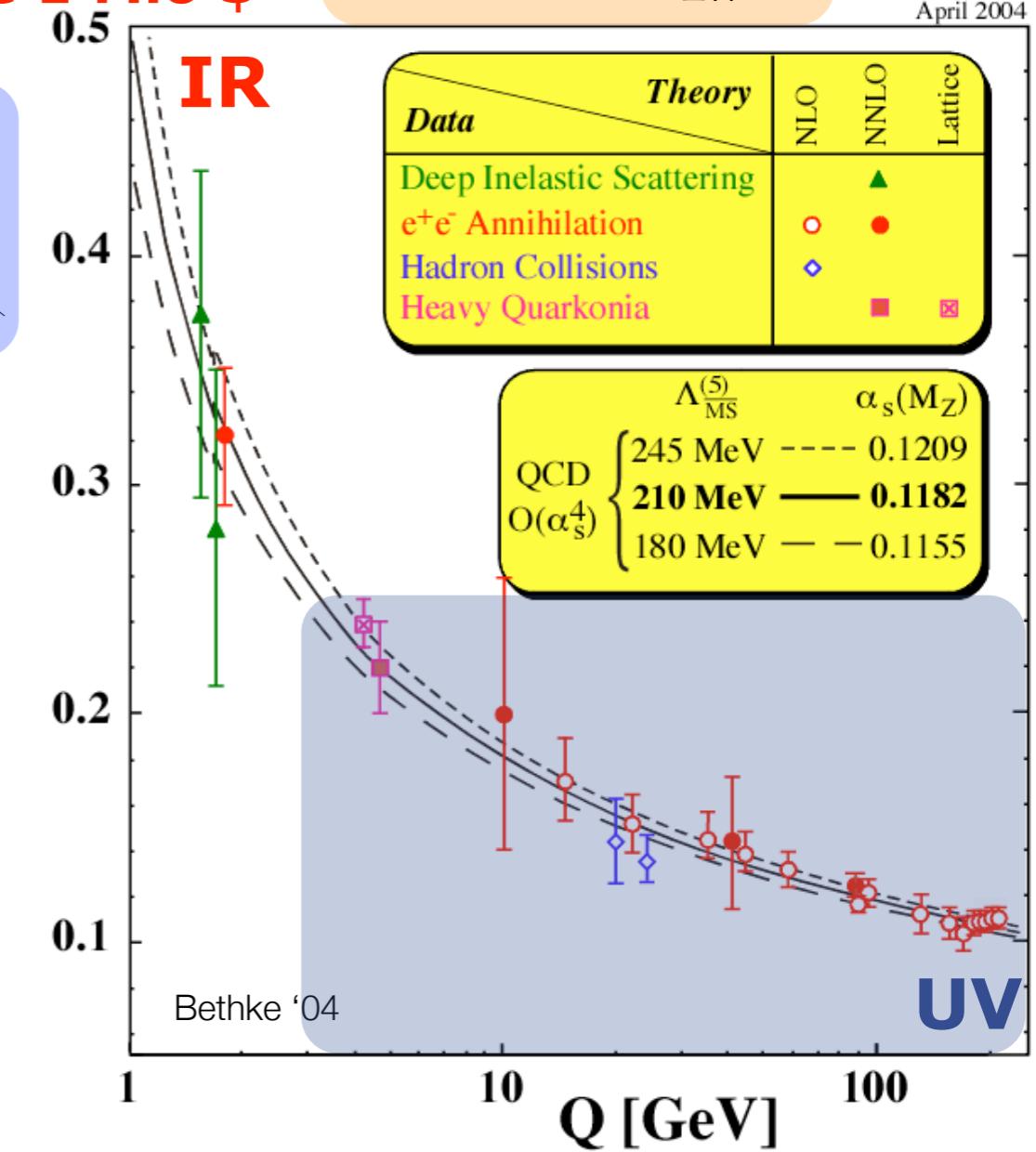


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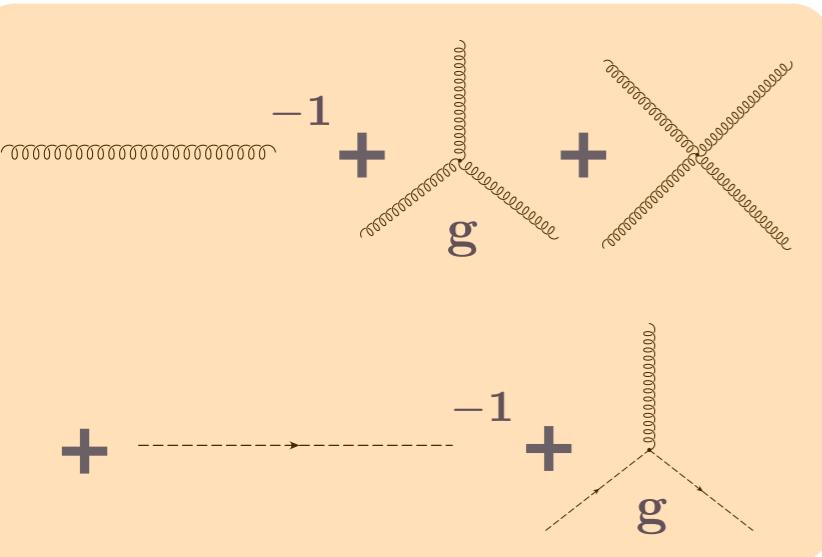
- UV: asymptotic freedom

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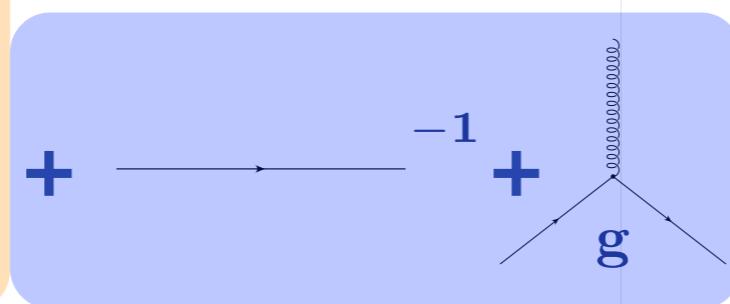
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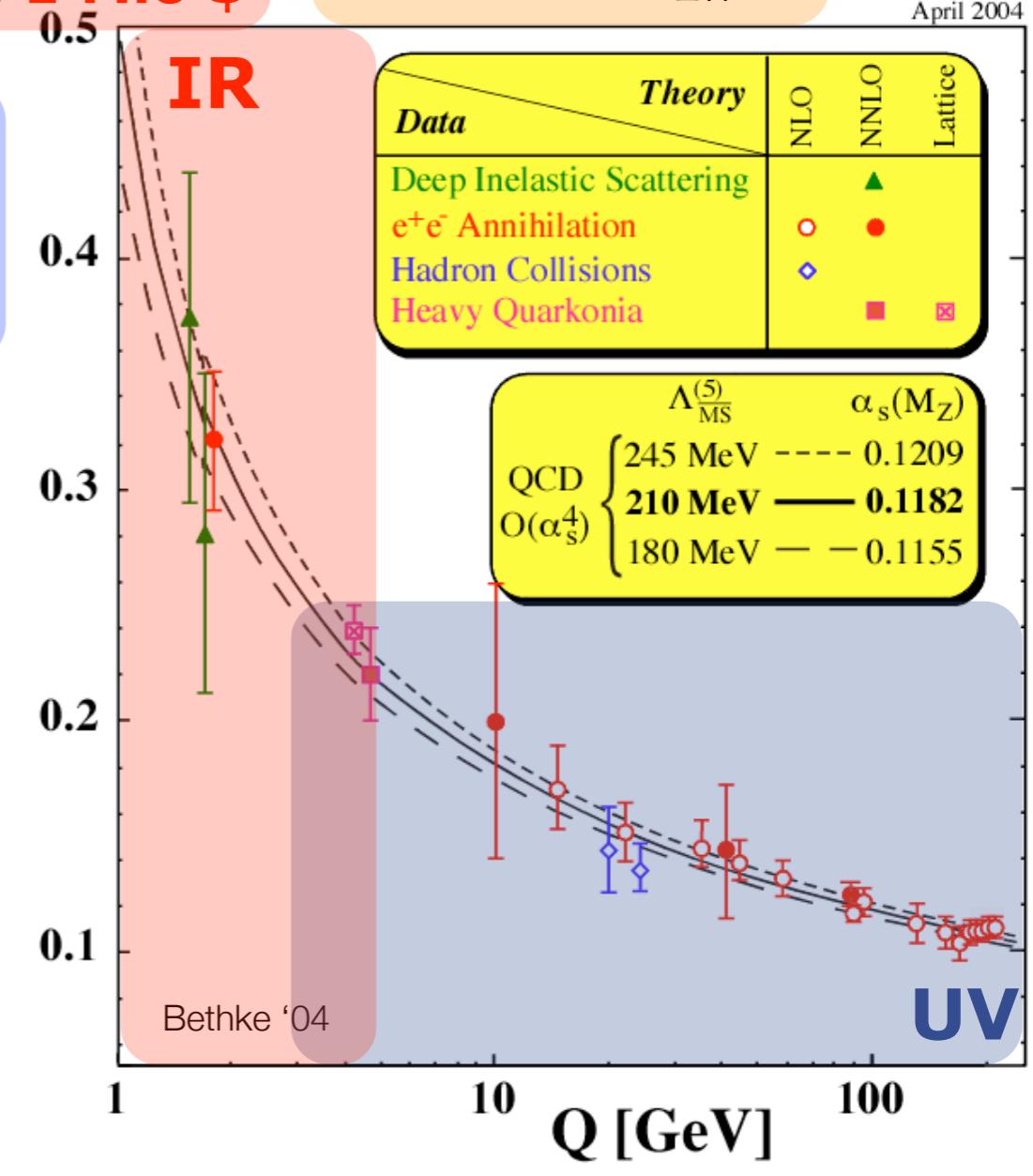


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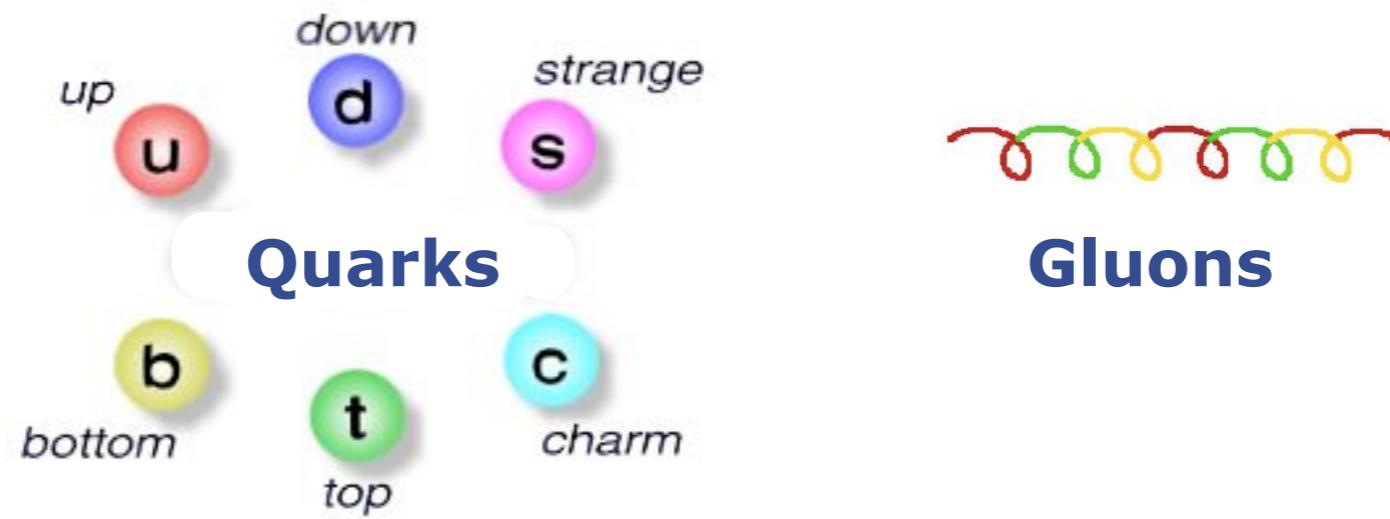
- IR: failure of perturbation theory

$$\alpha_s(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2) = \infty$$

at  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 217^{+25}_{-23} \text{ MeV}$

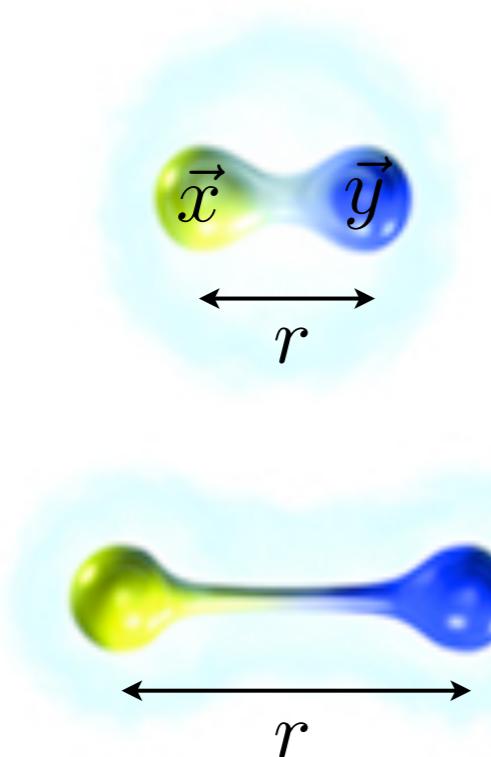
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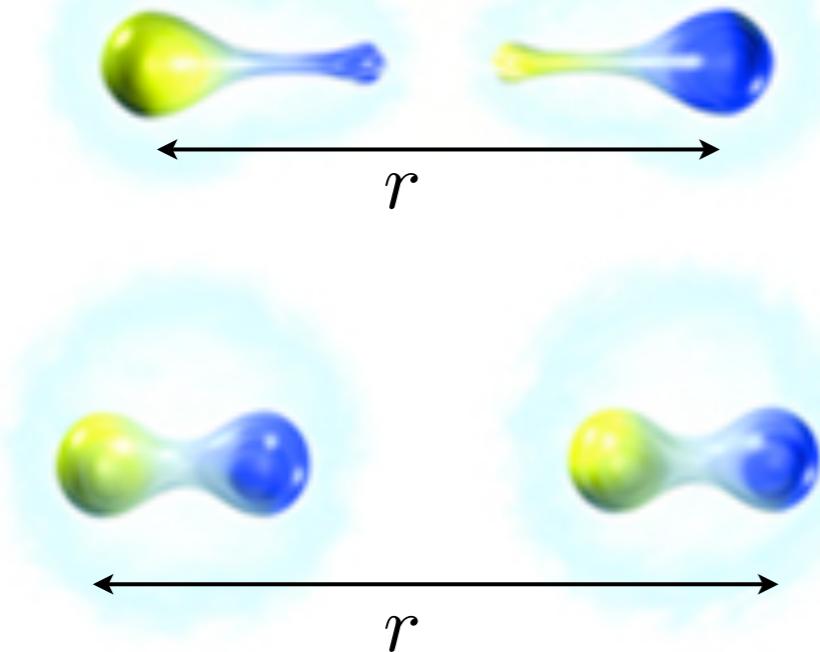
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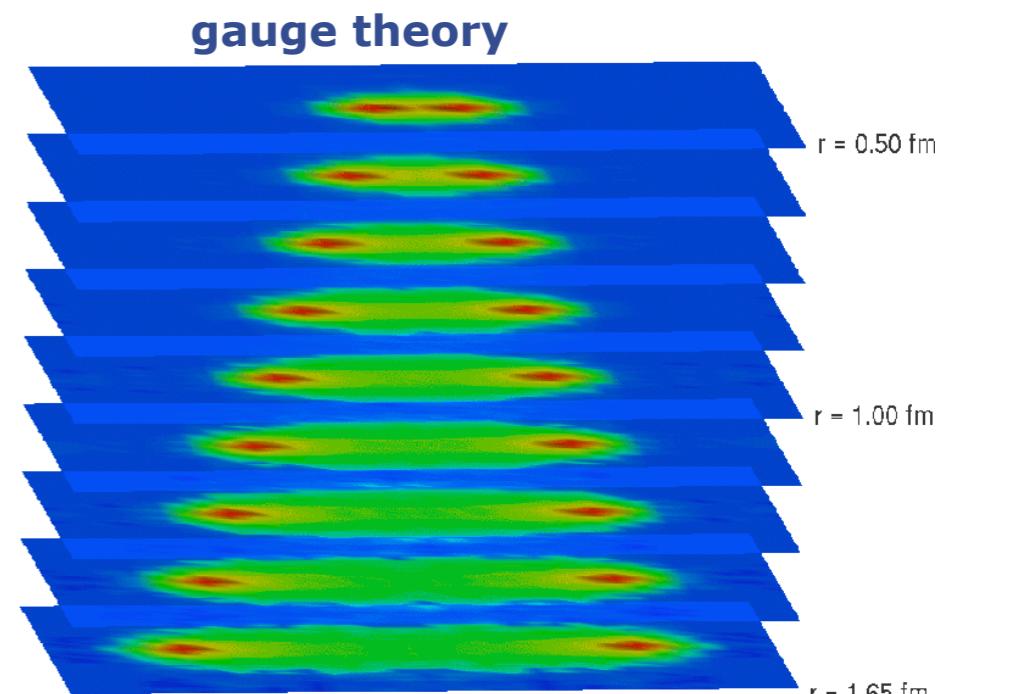
$$F_{q\bar{q}} \simeq -\frac{1}{r}$$

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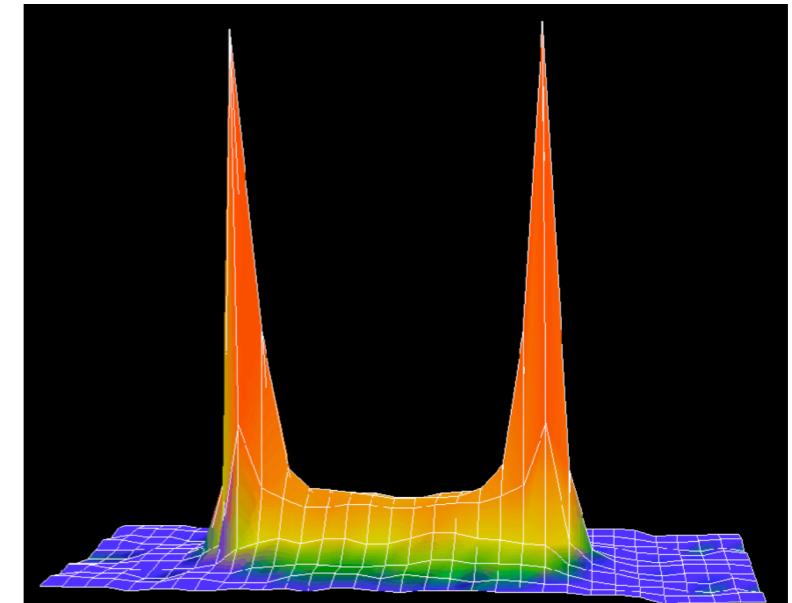
string breaking at  $r \approx 1\text{fm}$



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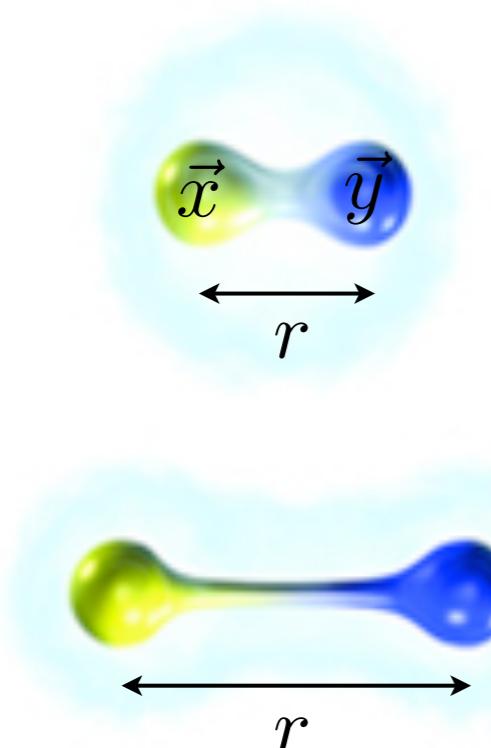


Energy density      Bali et al. '94



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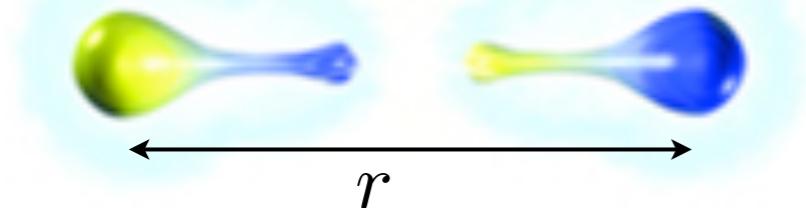
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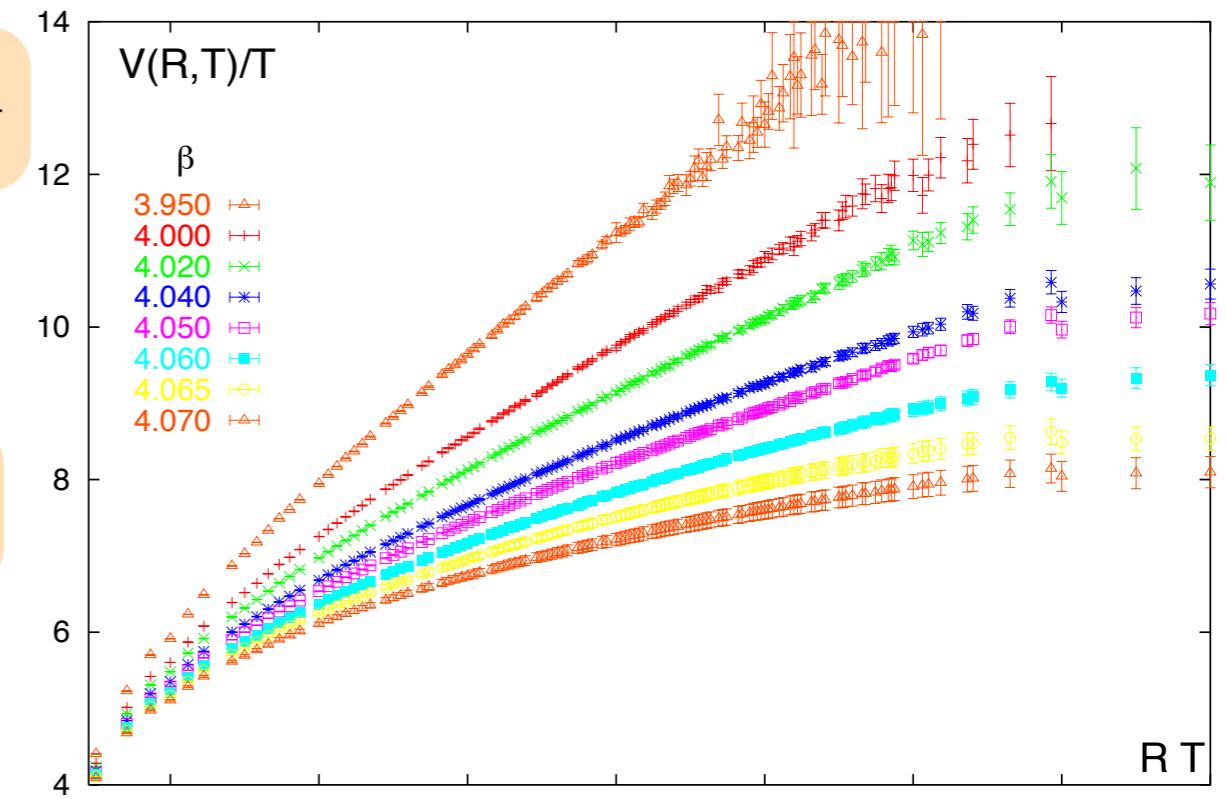
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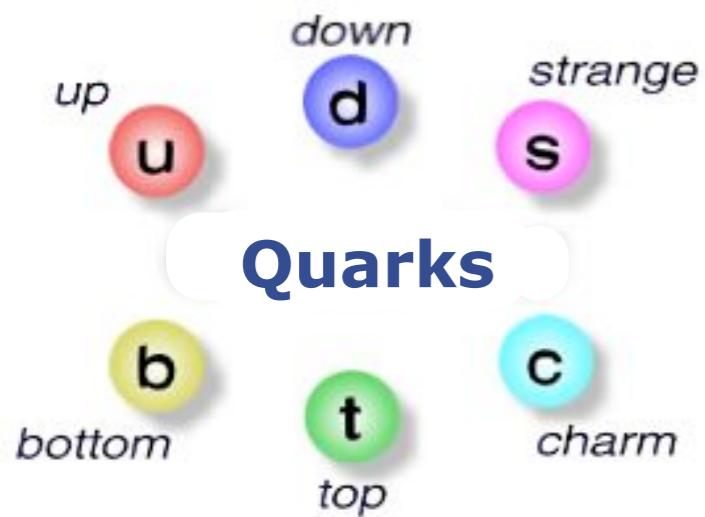
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pure gauge theory



Kaczmarek et al '99

# Chiral symmetry breaking $\Delta m_{\chi SB} \approx 400 \text{ MeV}$



$$N_f = 2 + 1$$

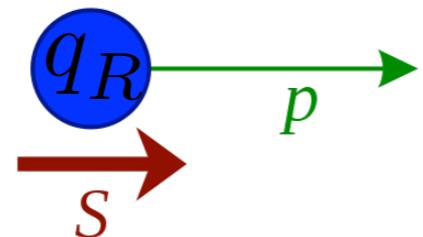
Generation	first	second	third	Charge
Mass [MeV]	1.5-4	1150-1350	$170 \times 10^3$	
Quark	u	c	t	$\frac{2}{3}$
Quark	d	s	b	$-\frac{1}{3}$
Mass [MeV]	4-8	80-130	$(4.1-4.4) \times 10^3$	

$$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 217^{+25}_{-23} \text{ MeV}$$

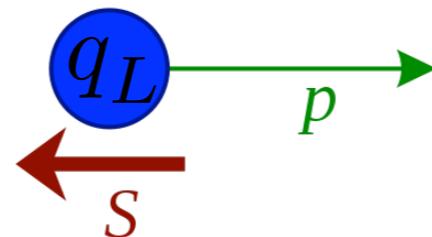
# Chiral symmetry breaking

- Chirality for massless particles

Right-handed:



Left-handed:



- Order parameter

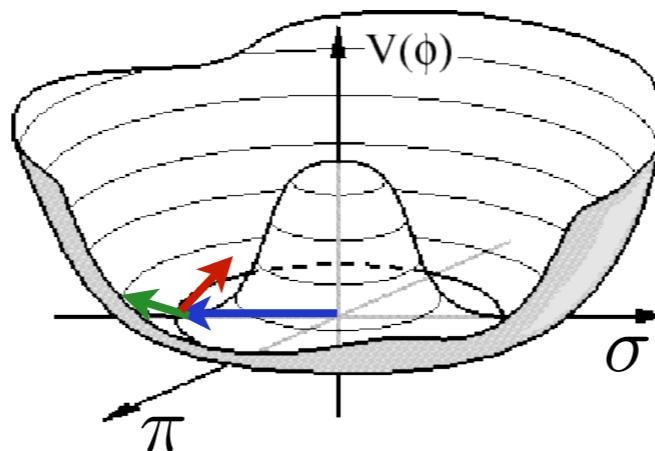


$$\sigma = \langle \bar{q}q \rangle_{\text{chiral condensate}}$$

- Chiral symmetry  $\sigma = 0$

- Symmetry broken  $\sigma \neq 0$

- Meson potential



# Chiral symmetry breaking

## physical masses

chiral symmetry breaking:  $\Delta m_{\chi SB} \approx 400 \text{ MeV}$



up



charm



top



down



strange

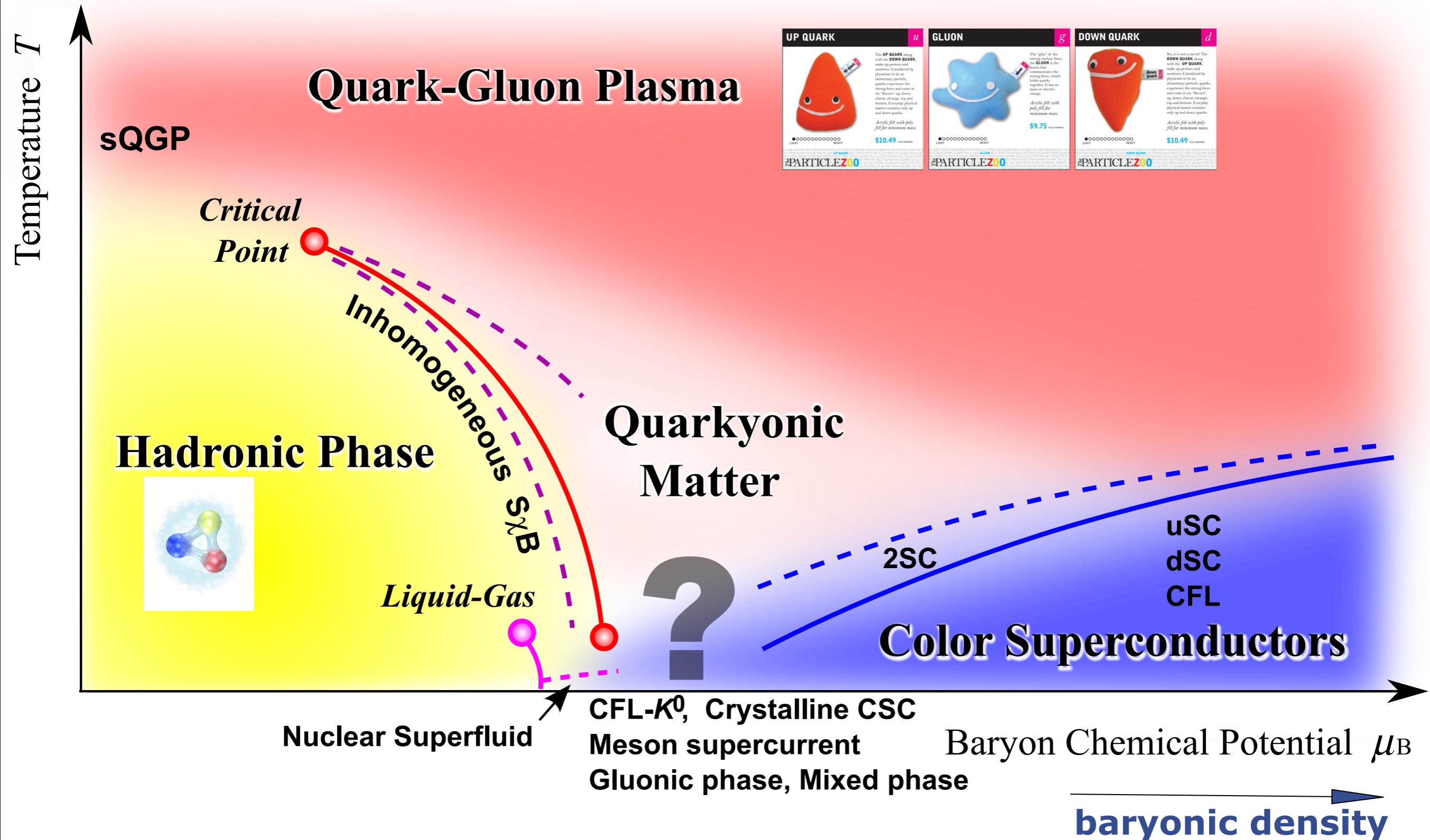


bottom



2 light flavours, one heavy flavour 2+1

# Phase diagram of QCD



Fukushima