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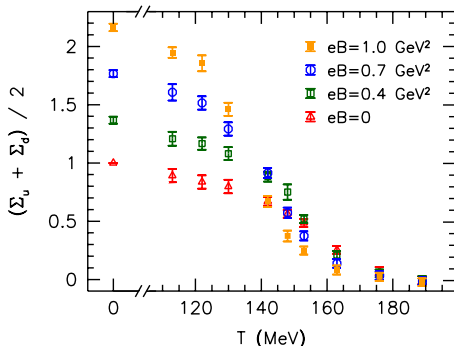
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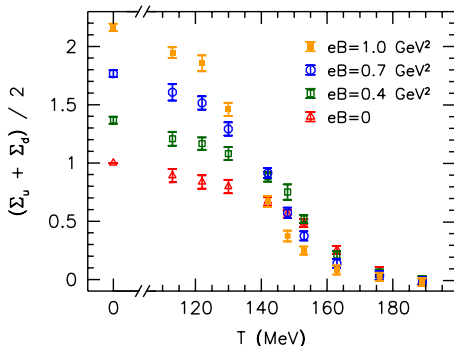


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Inverse Magnetic Catalysis:  $T_c(B) \searrow$

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- Important: Masses of Current quarks

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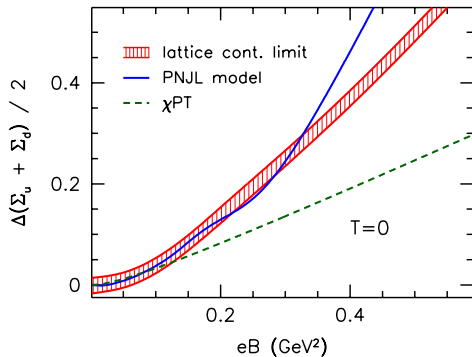
- Investigate Monte Carlo configurations!

⇒ sea and valence effects

# Magnetic catalysis

- change of condensate  $[\langle \bar{\psi}\psi_{u,d} \rangle(B) - \langle \bar{\psi}\psi_{u,d} \rangle(0)] m_{u=d} \sim \Delta \Sigma_{u,d}$   
cont. limit of  $N_f = 1 + 1 + 1$  (staggered) quarks at physical masses

Bali, FB, Endrődi et al. 11



chiral perturbation theory  
& NJL model

Cohen, McGady, Werbos 07, Andersen 12

Gatto, Ruggieri 10

$\Rightarrow$  well approximated unless  $eB > \begin{matrix} 0.1 \\ 0.3 \end{matrix} \text{ GeV}^2$  (approaches valid there?)

# Magnetic Catalysis: picture

NJL model

Müller, Schramm<sup>2</sup> 92, Gusynin, Miransky, Shovkovy 96

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}[B] \psi + G O(\psi^4)$$

- chiral condensate in mean field:

$$\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle \equiv \text{tr} \frac{1}{\mathcal{D}[B] + m} \quad \dots \text{just } B, \text{ otherwise free}$$

$$= m_0 qB \int_{1/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds}{s} e^{-m_0^2 s} \coth(sqB) \quad \dots \text{proper time (Mellin trafo)}$$

↑ degeneracy

Schwinger 51

$$= m_0 \left[ \Lambda^2 + qB \log \frac{qB}{m_0^2} \right] \quad \dots \text{for small } m_0, \text{ large } B$$

- dynamical mass  $m$  from gap equation:

$$m = G \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle = mG \left[ \Lambda^2 + qB \log \frac{qB}{m^2} \right]$$

- always trivial solution  $m = 0$  preserving chiral symmetry
- nontrivial solution  $m > 0$  breaking chiral symmetry

$$m = \sqrt{qB} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{G qB}\right) \exp\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{qB}\right)$$

for arbitrarily small magnetic fields & small couplings  $G$   
nonperturbative

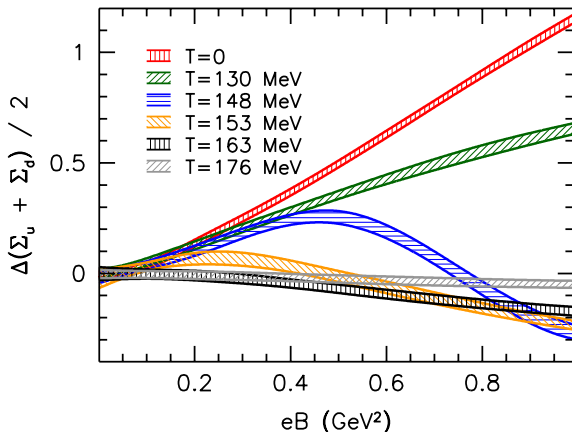
magn. field catalyzes condensate and dyn. mass

- in contrast vanishing magnetic field:  
nontrivial solution only for strong couplings  $G$

# Inverse magnetic catalysis

- again change of condensate, for finite  $T$ :

Bali, FB, Endrődi et al. 12



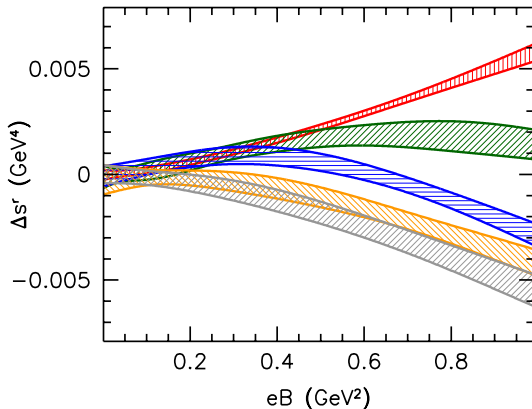
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# Inverse magnetic catalysis for gluons

- change of gluonic action, for finite  $T$ :

Bali, FB, Endródi et al. in prep.

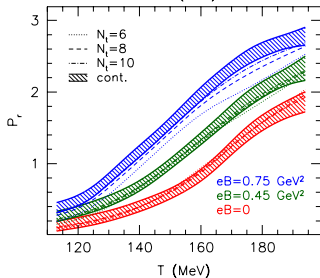
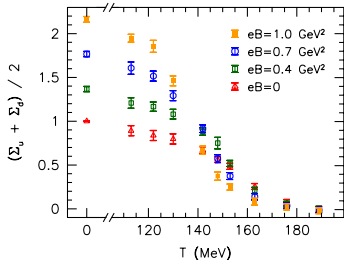


non-monotonic behaviour: **MC** turns into **IMC** around  $T_c$   
related to condensates via trace anomaly!

▶ details

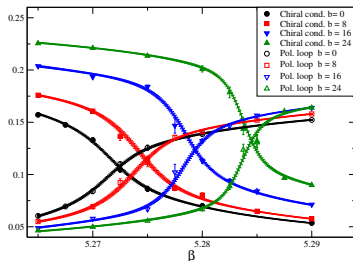
# Inverse magnetic catalysis: mass dependence

1 + 1 + 1 (staggered, smeared) us  
at phys. masses



1 + 1 (staggered)  
at higher-than-phys. masses

D'Elia et al. 10



similar in  $SU(2)$

Ilgenfritz et al. 12

!  $T_c(B)$  different

! monotonicities different

rationale: continuum limit,

light quark masses!

▶ cross-checked

# Inverse magnetic catalysis: mechanism

$$\bar{\psi}\psi^{\text{full}} \simeq \frac{\int DAe^{-S_g} \det(\not{D}[B] + m) \text{tr}(\not{D}[B] + m)^{-1}}{\int DAe^{-S_g} \det(\not{D}[B] + m)}$$

D'Elia, Negro 11

$$\bar{\psi}\psi^{\text{val}} = \frac{\int DAe^{-S_g} \det(\not{D}[0] + m) \text{tr}(\not{D}[B] + m)^{-1}}{\int DAe^{-S_g} \det(\not{D}[0] + m)}$$

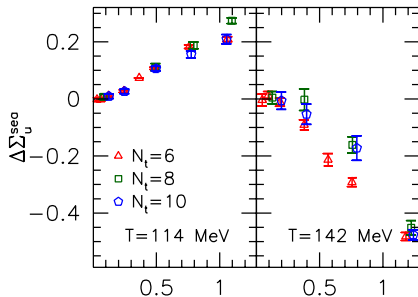
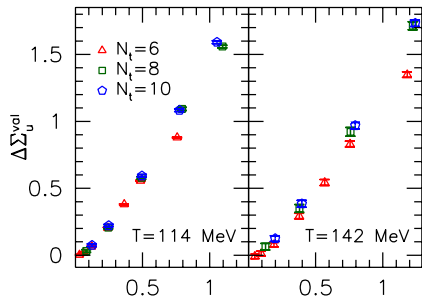
$B$  in observable

$$\bar{\psi}\psi^{\text{sea}} = \frac{\int DAe^{-S_g} \det(\not{D}[B] + m) \text{tr}(\not{D}[0] + m)^{-1}}{\int DAe^{-S_g} \det(\not{D}[B] + m)}$$

$B$  in config. generation

● at low  $T$  and around  $T_c$ :

FB, Endrődi, Kovács (in prep.)



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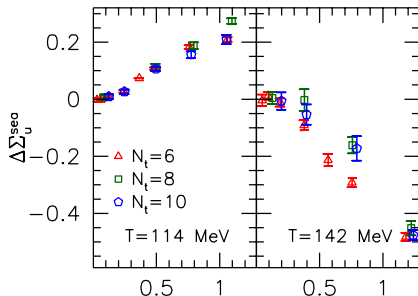
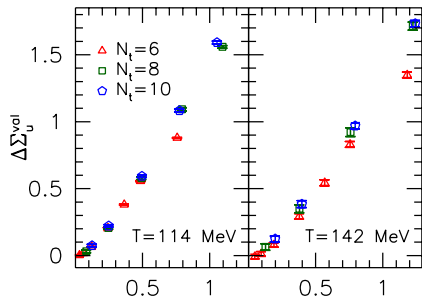
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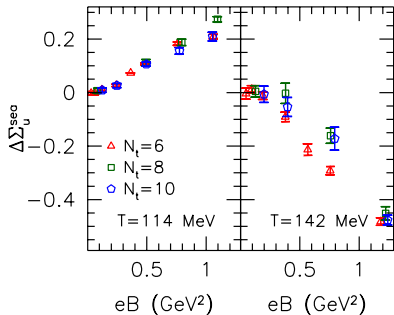
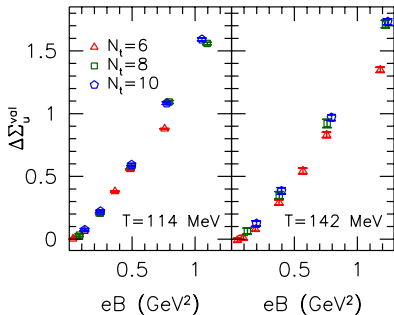
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- around  $T_c$ :  $\bar{\psi}\psi^{\text{sea}} < 0$  and competing with  $\bar{\psi}\psi^{\text{disfavorval}} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{IMC}$





$\mathcal{D}[B]$  has small eigenvalues with degeneracy  $B$

⇓ in valence trace

generates condensate

= statement about the  
change of the spectrum

(even quenched)

⇓ in sea determinant

avoided: low probability

= statement about the typical  
gauge field

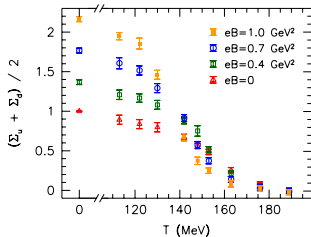
= feedback of quarks

sea effect is particularly effective near  $T_c$ ! why increasing at low  $T$ ?  
washed out for heavy quarks

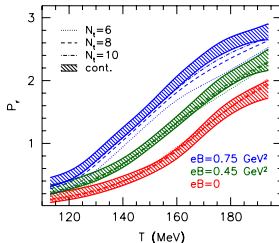
# Inverse magnetic catalysis: role of Polyakov loop

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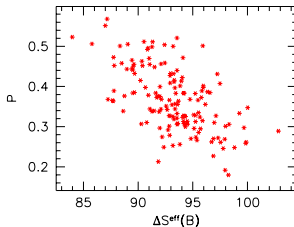
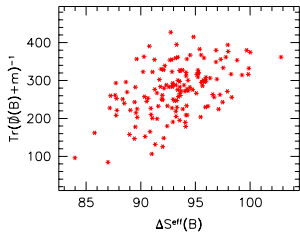
condensate



Polyakov loop



- reweighting from  $B = 0$  with eff. ferm. action  $-\Delta S^{\text{eff}} = \log \frac{\det \mathcal{D}[B] + m}{\det \mathcal{D}[0] + m}$



near  $T_C$

$\Rightarrow$  small action prefers smaller condensate and larger Polyakov loop

# Inverse magnetic catalysis: picture

Polyakov loop = effectively part of fermionic boundary conditions

large Polyakov loop  $\Leftrightarrow$  few small eigenvalues

- high  $T$ : large eff. Matsubara frequency

- small  $T$ :  $\text{tr } P \simeq 0 \Leftrightarrow$  many small eigenvalues, condensate

with  $B$ : larger Polyakov loop  $\Leftrightarrow$  smaller sea condensate

particularly sensitive at the transition and for small quark masses

# Free case

free quarks with magn. field  $B$  and constant Polyakov loops

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} e^{2\pi i\varphi} & & \\ & e^{-2\pi i\varphi} & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{cases} \varphi = 1/3 : & \text{tr}P = 0 & \text{'conf. phase'} \\ \varphi \rightarrow 0 : & \text{tr}P \rightarrow 1 & \text{'deconf. phase'} \end{cases}$$

'confined' minus 'deconfined' free energy (eff. action):

$$\begin{aligned} f(B, \varphi) - f(B, 0) &\sim -\log \det(\not{D}[B, \varphi] + m) + \log \det(\not{D}[B, 0] + m) \quad \text{sea!} \\ &= \frac{qB}{\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s^2} e^{-m^2 s} \coth(qBs) [\theta_3((\varphi + \frac{1}{2})\pi, e^{-1/4sT^2}) - \theta_3(\dots\varphi = 0\dots)] \end{aligned}$$

integrand positive and

✓ grows with smaller  $m \Rightarrow$  light quarks prefer deconfinement,  $T_c(m) \searrow$

(✓ would decrease with imag.  $\mu \Rightarrow$  prefers confinement,  $T_c(i\mu) \nearrow$ )

! grows with  $B \Rightarrow$  prefers deconfinement,  $T_c(B) \searrow$



# Summary

- magnetic catalysis:  $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle(B) \nearrow$  at  $T = 0$
- inv. magnetic catalysis:  $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle(B) \searrow$  at  $T \simeq T_c$ 
  - only for light (phys.) quark masses
  - sea quark back reaction, in other approaches!?
  - role of Polyakov loop: in line with fewer small eigenvalues
- QCD crossover:  $T_c(B)$  decreases slightly

# Backup: Strong Magnetic fields

early universe

$$\sqrt{eB} \simeq 2 \text{ GeV}$$

RHIC/LHC

0.1.. 0.5 GeV    QCD scale!

non-central collisions

charged spectators

$B$  perp. to reaction plane

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cf. strongest field in lab		$10^5 \text{ G}$ ( $10^7 \text{ G}$ unstable)
refrigerator magnet		100 G
earths magn. field		0.6 G



as for transition studies at  $B = 0$

Budapest-Wuppertal

- tree-level improved gauge action
- stout smeared staggered fermions (rooting trick)
- 2 light quarks + strange quark, charges  $(q_u, q_d, q_s) = (\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{3})e$
- lattice spacing set at  $T = 0, B = 0$   
physical pion masses  
set by  $f_K, f_K/m_\pi$  and  $f_K/m_K$
- $T = 0$ :  $24^3 \times 32, 32^3 \times 48$  and  $40^3 \times 48$  lattices
- $T > 0$ :  $N_t = 6, 8, 10$  meaning  $a = 0.2, 0.15, 0.12$  fm  
 $N_s = 16, 24, 32$  for finite volumes
- condensates from stochastic estimator method with 40 vectors
- magn. flux quanta:  $N_B \leq 70 < \frac{N_x N_y}{4} = 144$



# Backup: Trace anomaly/interaction measure

definition:

$$I = \epsilon - 3p = -T^5 \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \frac{\log f}{T^4}$$
$$\stackrel{\text{lattice}}{=} -\frac{1}{V^4} \frac{\partial \log Z}{\partial \log a} \quad V_4 = V/T$$

free/conformal system:  $f \sim T^4$  [SB],  $\log Z$  is scale-indep.  $\Rightarrow I = 0$

lattice:

$$-I = \frac{1}{V_4} \left( \frac{-\partial \log Z}{\partial \beta} \frac{-\partial \beta}{\partial \log a} + \sum_f \frac{\partial \log Z}{\partial m_f} \frac{\partial m_f}{\partial \log a} \right)$$
$$= \underbrace{\langle \mathbf{s} \rangle}_{>0} \frac{-\partial \beta}{\partial \log a} + \sum_f \underbrace{\langle \bar{\psi}_f \psi_f \rangle m_f}_{\text{mult. renorm.}} \underbrace{\frac{\partial \log m_f}{\partial \log a}}_{\text{from LCP}}$$

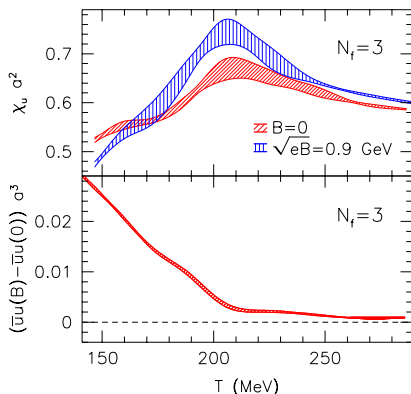
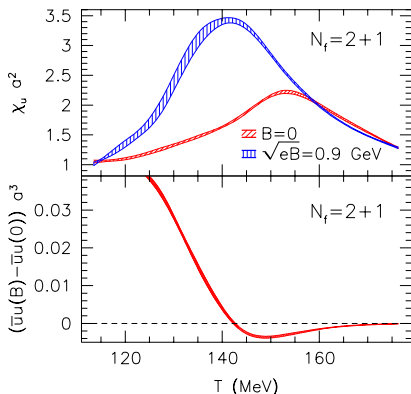
prescription for mult. renorm. of action density

(all add. renorms. removed via differences in  $B$ )



# Backup: Mass sensitivity

- what if we put  $(m_{\text{light}}, m_{\text{light}}, m_{\text{strange}}) \rightarrow (m_{\text{strange}}, m_{\text{strange}}, m_{\text{strange}})$ ?



- $T$ -dep. of  $u$ -susceptibility (top) and change of  $u$ -condensate (bottom)  
 $\Rightarrow$  effects of decreasing  $T_c$  & inverse magn. catalysis disappear  
light quark masses are important

