

# On baryons and the QCD phase structure

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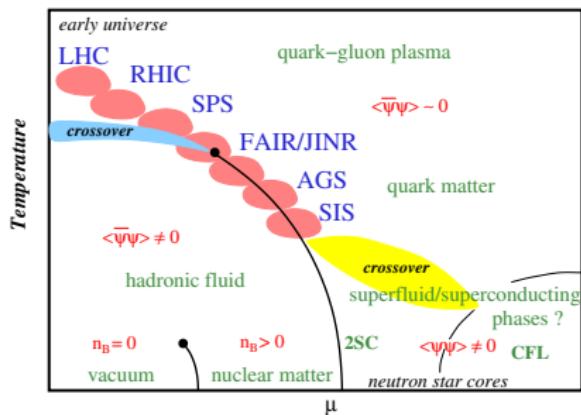
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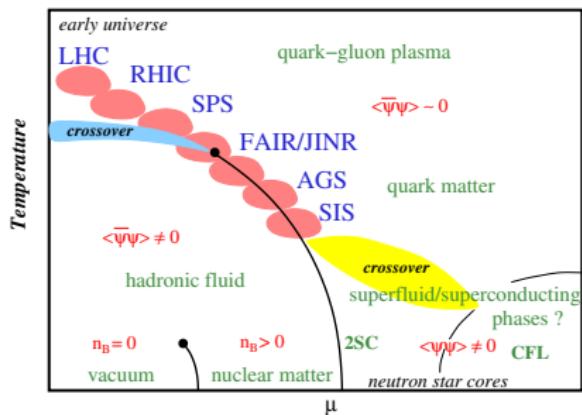
- no sign problem  $\mu > 0$
- chiral symmetry/fermions (small masses/chiral limit) etc...

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Method of choice: **Functional Renormalization Group Method (FRG)**  
one needs a truncation: e.g. (Polyakov)-quark-meson model

- good description for chiral sector
- implementation of gauge dynamics (deconfinement sector)

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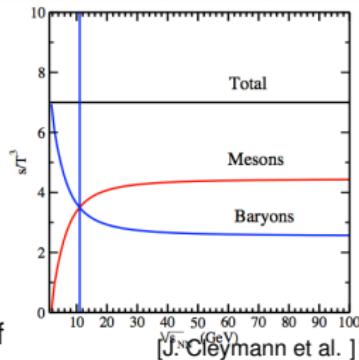
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# Outline

- Why QCD for  $N_c = 2$ ?
- (Polyakov-)Quark-Meson-Diquark ((P)QMD) Model
- RG versus Mean-field approximation
- Results: Phase diagrams etc.

# Why deforming QCD to $N_c = 2$ ?

- ▷ QC<sub>2</sub>D becomes simpler: no sign problem  
lattice simulations  $\iff$  functional methods
- ▷ baryonic d.o.f. more and more important for  $\mu > 0$   
**for  $N_c = 2$**  inclusion of baryonic dof simpler:  
scalar diquarks play a dual role as **bosonic baryons**
- ▷ QC<sub>2</sub>D: playground for a deeper understanding of baryonic dof
- ▷ Relativistic analog of models for ultracold quantum gases



## Properties of QC<sub>2</sub>D

- fund. rep. of  $SU(2)$  pseudoreal ( $\mathbf{2} = \mathbf{2}^*$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Dirac op.  $D$  has antiunitary symmetry  
 $\Rightarrow$  color-neutral bound states of two quarks (**bosonic (anti)diquarks**)  
 $\Rightarrow$  enlarged flavor symmetry:  $SU(4) \cong SO(6)$  ( $\mu = 0$ ) here  $N_f = 2$   
(not  $U(4)$  due to axial anomaly)  
replaces usual chiral  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_B$
- Symmetry breaking:  $SU(2N_f) \rightarrow Sp(N_f)$  [or  $SO(6) \rightarrow SO(5)$ ]  
 $\rightarrow$  5 Goldstone bosons: 3 pions and 2 (anti)diquarks

# Quark-Meson-Diquark (QMD) Model

Chiral effective model:

- quarks:  $\psi$
- mesons:  $\sigma, \vec{\pi}$
- diquarks (baryons):  $\text{Re}\Delta, \text{Im}\Delta$
- gauge fields:  $A_\mu^a$  in  $D_\mu = \partial_\mu + iA_\mu \rightarrow$  Polyakov-loop extended (PQMD) model

QMD Lagrangian:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{QMD}} = & \bar{\psi} \left( \not{D} + g(\sigma + i\gamma^5 \vec{\pi} \cdot \vec{\tau}) - \mu \gamma^0 \right) \psi \\ & + \frac{g}{2} \left( \Delta^* (\psi^T C \gamma^5 \tau_2 S \psi) + \Delta (\psi^\dagger C \gamma^5 \tau_2 S \psi^*) \right) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \vec{\pi})^2 + V(\vec{\phi}) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} ((\partial_\mu - 2\mu \delta_\mu^0) \Delta) (\partial_\mu + 2\mu \delta_\mu^0) \Delta^*\end{aligned}$$

[N. Strodthoff, BJS, L. von Smekal; 2012]

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# Mean-Field Approximation (MFA)

- Integration of quarks, neglect bosonic fluctuations:

## Grand potential

$$\Omega(T, \mu; \sigma, d^2 \equiv |\Delta|^2) = \Omega_{\text{vac}} + \Omega_T + V_{\text{MF}}(\sigma, d^2) \quad (+\mathcal{U}_{\text{Poly}}(\Phi))$$

vacuum term: sharp three-momentum cutoff  $\Lambda$

$$\Omega_{\text{vac}}(\Lambda) = -4 \int_{-\Lambda}^{\Lambda} \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \{E_p^- + E_p^+\}$$

$$E_p^\pm = \sqrt{g^2 d^2 + (\epsilon_p \pm \mu)^2}$$

$$\epsilon_p = \sqrt{\vec{p}^2 + g^2 \sigma^2}$$

for each  $\Lambda$ : adjust model parameters  $f_\pi, m_\sigma, m_\pi$

role of vacuum term: example for (P)QM models [BJS, M. Wagner, 2012]

[Skokov et al. 2010]

# Role of vacuum term in (P)QM models

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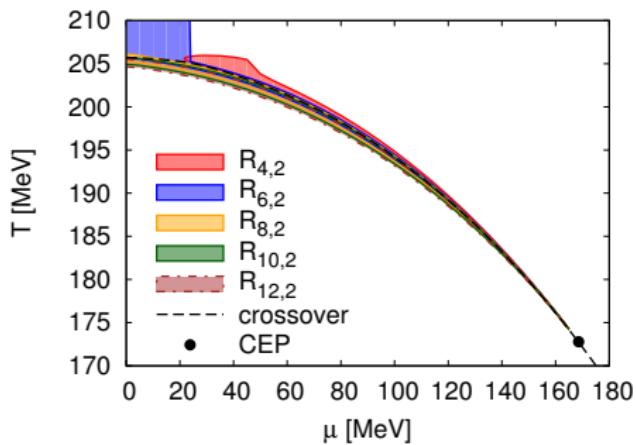
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[Karsch, Redlich, Friman et al.; 2011]

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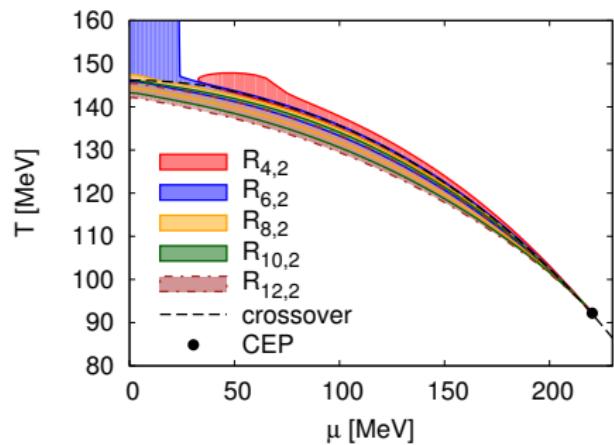
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QM model

MFA w/o vacuum



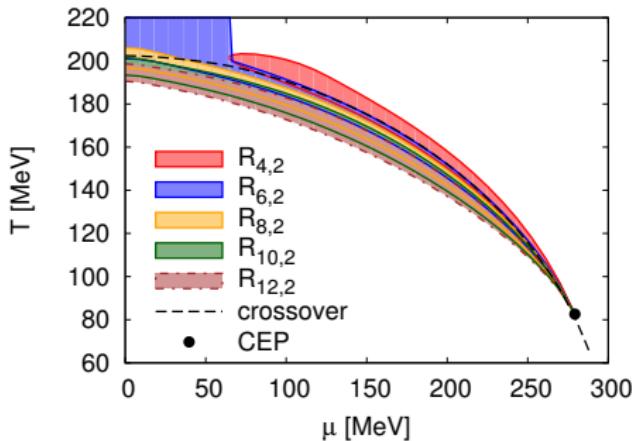
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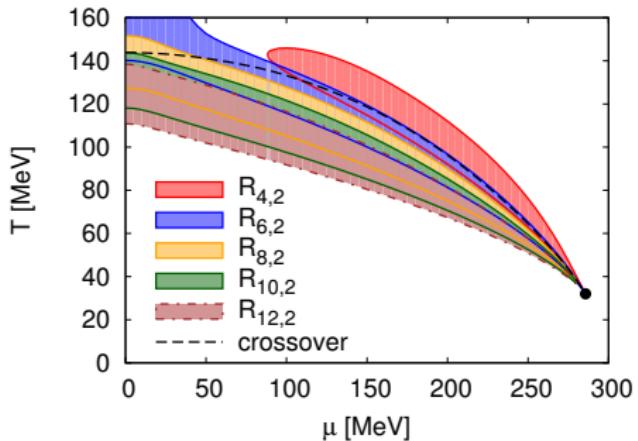
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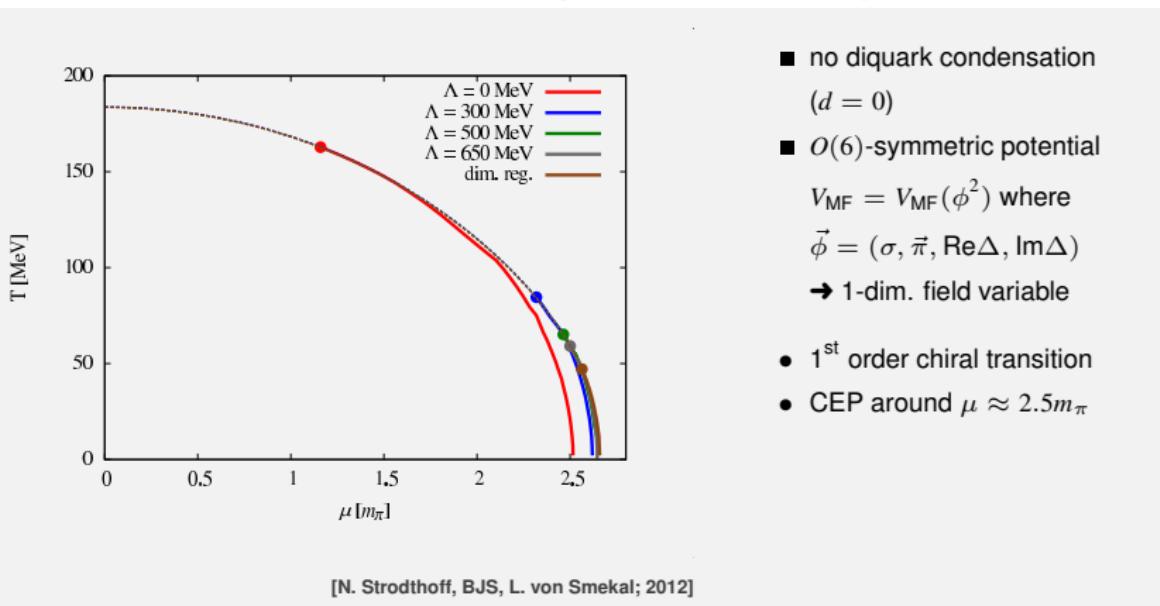
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# Phase diagram in MFA

Influence of  $\Omega_{\text{vac}}$  on CEP for various  $\Lambda$ 's compared to dimensional regularization



[N. Strodthoff, BJS, L. von Smekal; 2012]

# Functional RG Approach

$\Gamma_k[\phi]$  scale dependent effective action ;  $t = \ln(k/\Lambda)$  ;  $R_k$  regulators

## FRG (average effective action)

Wetterich 1993

$$\partial_t \Gamma_k[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \partial_t R_k \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma_k^{(2)} + R_k} \right) ; \quad \Gamma_k^{(2)} = \frac{\delta^2 \Gamma_k}{\delta \phi \delta \phi}$$

$$k \partial_k \Gamma_k[\phi] \sim \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{Diagram: A circle with a dot at the bottom and a cross symbol at the top.}$$

- Quark-meson model ansatz for  $\Gamma_k$ : (LO derivative expansion  $\rightarrow$  arbitrary potential  $V_k$ )

$$\Gamma_k = \int d^4x \bar{q} [i\gamma_\mu \partial^\mu - g(\sigma + i\vec{\pi}\vec{\gamma}_5)] q + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \vec{\pi})^2 + V_k(\phi^2)$$

$$V_{k=\Lambda}(\phi^2) = \frac{\lambda}{4}(\sigma^2 + \vec{\pi}^2 - v^2)^2 - c\sigma$$

# FRG and QCD

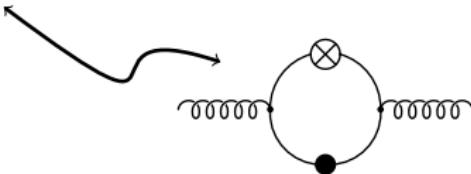
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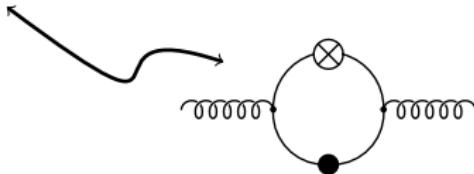
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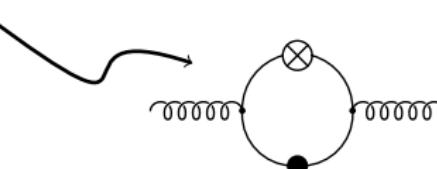
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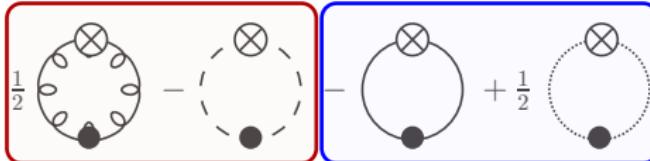
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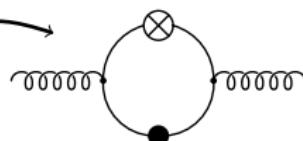
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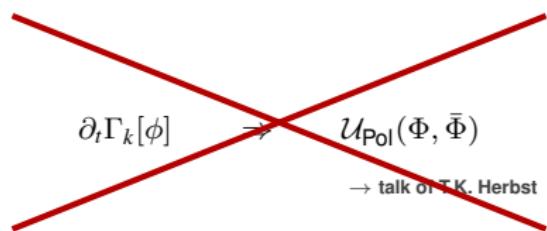


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# Flow for the QMD model truncation

2 condensates: Chiral and diquark

[Strodthoff, BJS, von Smekal; 2012]

$$\partial_t U_k(\sigma, d^2) = \frac{k^5}{12\pi^2} \left\{ \frac{3}{E_k^\pi} \coth \left( \frac{E_k^\pi}{2T} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{\alpha_2 z_i^4 - \alpha_1 z_i^2 + \alpha_0}{(z_{i+1}^2 - z_i^2)(z_{i+2}^2 - z_i^2)} \frac{1}{z_i} \coth \left( \frac{z_i}{2T} \right) \right. \\ \left. - \sum_{\pm} \frac{8}{E_k^\pm} \left( 1 \pm \frac{\mu}{\sqrt{k^2 + g^2 \rho^2}} \right) \left( 1 - 2N_q(E_k^\pm; T) \right) \right\}$$

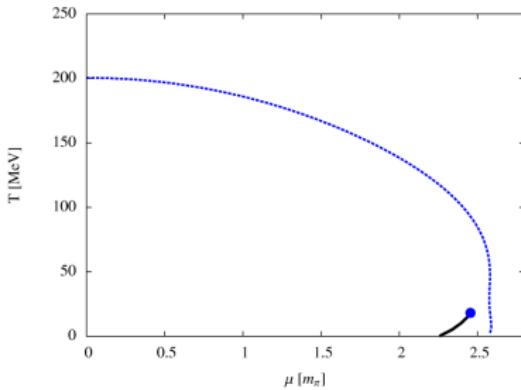
$$E_k^\pi = \sqrt{k^2 + 2U_{k,\rho}}; \quad \alpha_i, z_i : \text{diquarks-sigma mixing}; \quad N_q : \text{quark occupation numbers}$$

Chiral condensate only ( $SO(6)$ -symmetric flow)

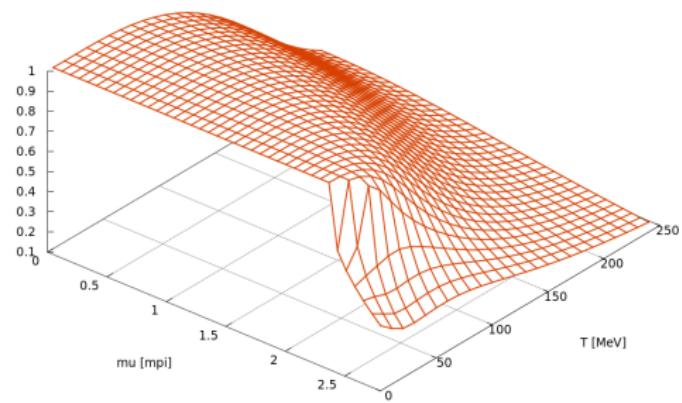
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# Phase diagram with FRG

- no diquark condensation:
- $O(6)$ -symmetric potential  $U_k = U_k(\phi^2)$



- chiral condensate  $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle / \langle \bar{q}q \rangle_0$

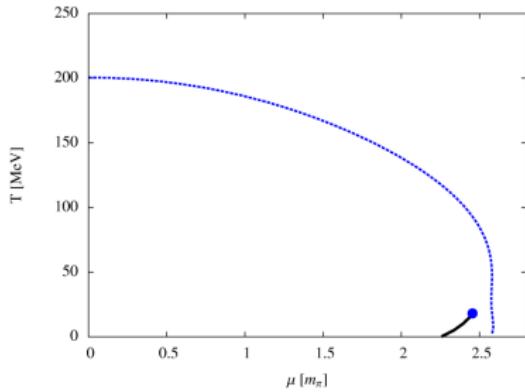


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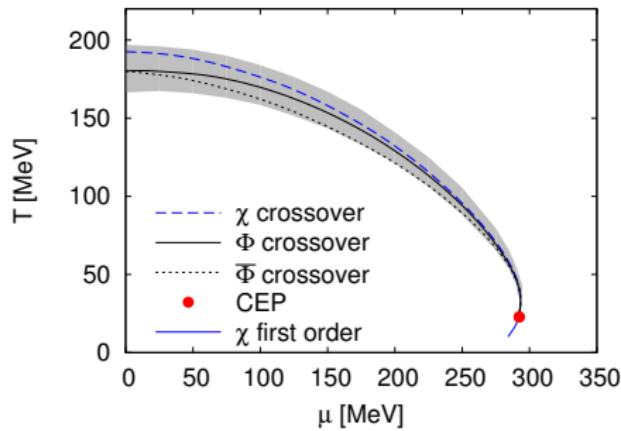
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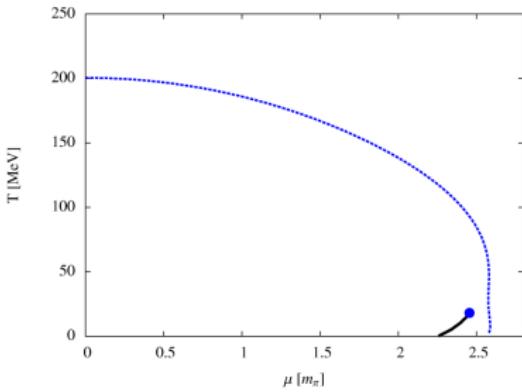
Polyakov-Quark-Meson model **with** matter back-reaction to YM system



[Herbst, Pawlowski, BJS; 2010]

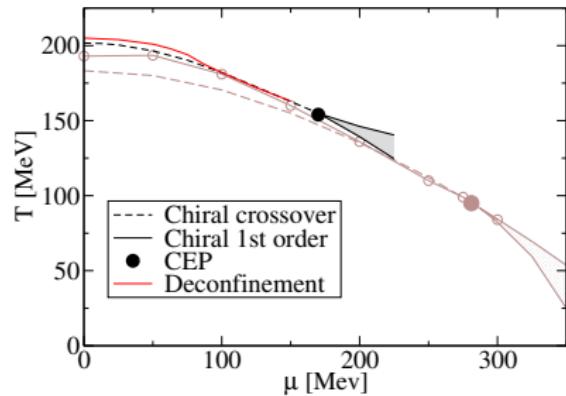
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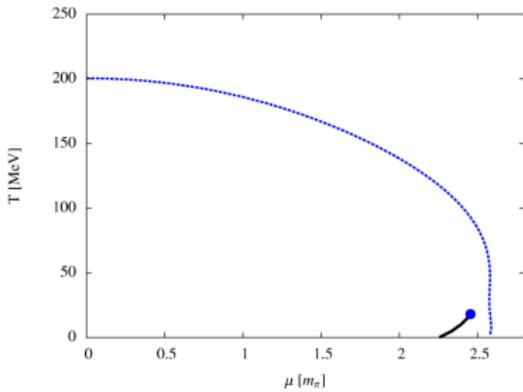
- DSE phase diagram → talk of C.S. Fischer  
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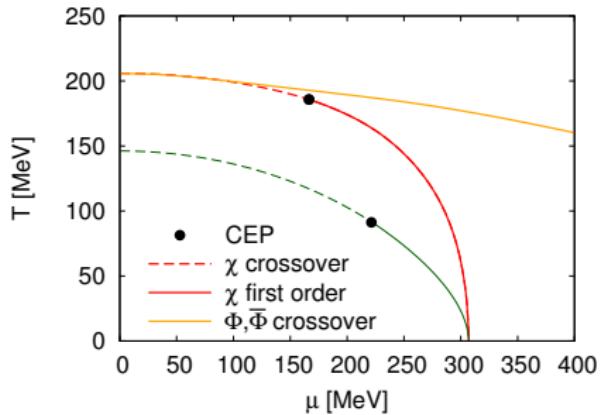
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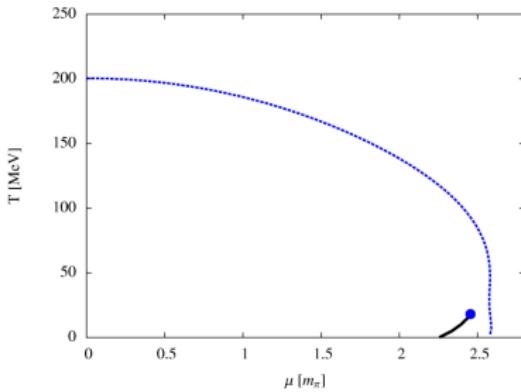


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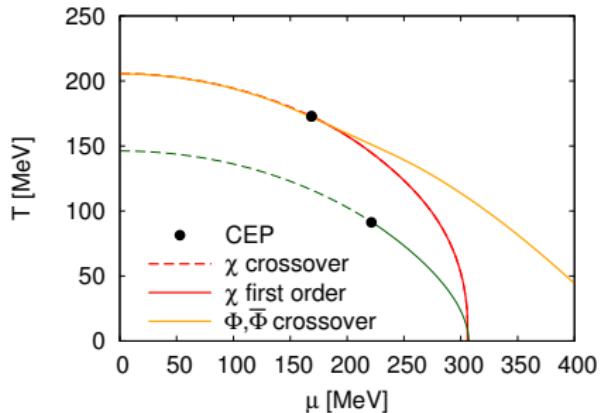
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## Including diquarks

Symmetry breaking patterns for  $N_f = 2$ :

	$\mu = 0$	$\mu > 0$
$m_q = 0$	$SU(4) \cong SO(6)$	$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_B$ $\cong$ $SO(4) \times SO(2)$
$m_q > 0$	$Sp(2) \cong SO(5)$	$SO(3) \times SO(2)$

⇒ need 2 condensates:

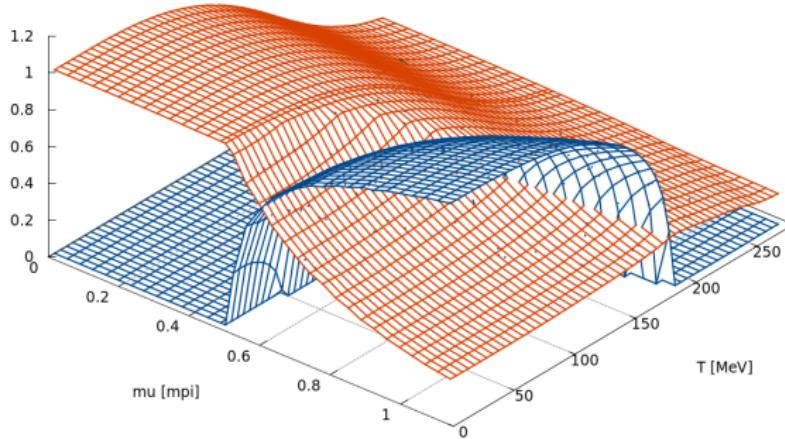
chiral condensate  $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle (\equiv \sigma)$  and diquark condensate  $d^2 = |\Delta|^2$

⇒ effective potential  $U_k = U_k(\rho^2, d^2)$  with  $\rho^2 = \sigma^2 + \vec{\pi}^2$

⇒ solution of flow eqs on **2-dim grid in field space** (first time!)

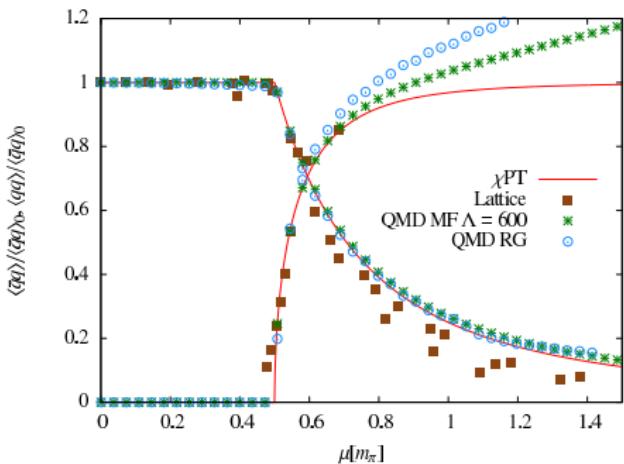
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# Diquark condensation at T = 0

RG and MFA



lattice data: [Hands et al. '00]

LO  $\chi$ PT [Kogut, Stephanov et al. '00]

→ diquark condensation:  $\mu_c = m_B/N_c$   
model independent result

→  $\langle q\bar{q} \rangle$  in  $\chi$ PT:

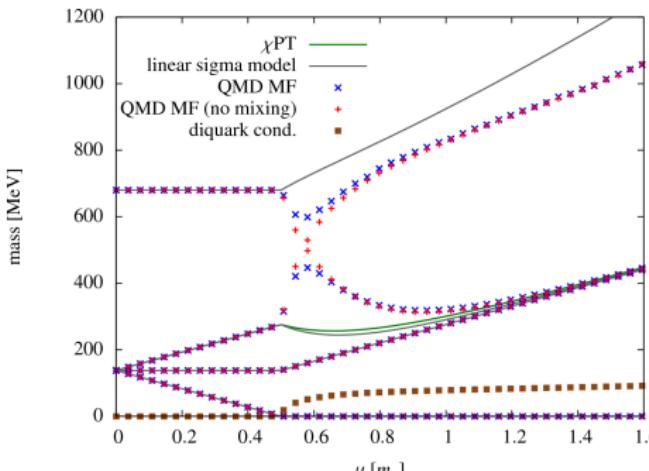
$$\langle q\bar{q} \rangle = \sqrt{1 - 1/x^4} \text{ with } x = 2\mu/m_\pi$$

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[Strodthoff, BJS, von Smekal; 2012]

# Diquark condensation at T = 0

(pole) mass spectrum



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PNJL model: [Brauner, Fukushima, Hidaka, '09]

(LO) $\chi$ PT: [Kogut, Stephanov et al. '00]

→ diquark condensation:  $\mu_c = m_B/N_c$

→ distinguish between pole and screening masses

pole masses:

$T = 0$ :  $m_{\pm} = m_\pi \pm 2\mu$

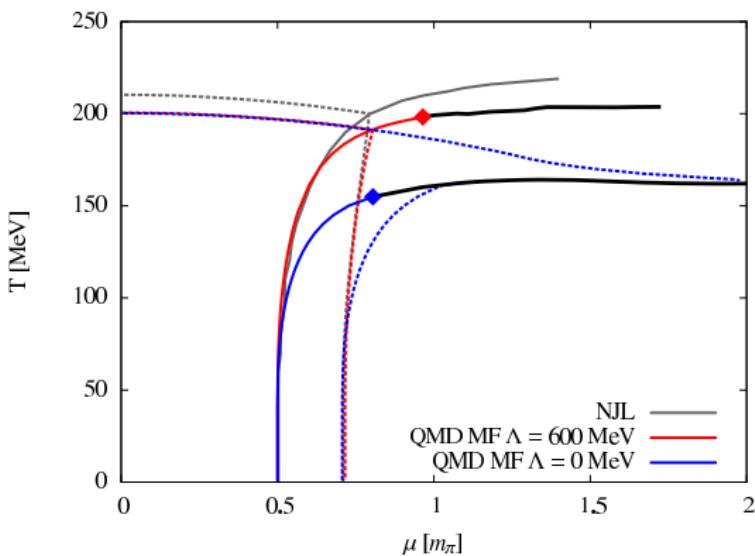
(according to  $B = \pm 1$ )

pion:  $B = 0 \Rightarrow \mu$ -indep.

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## NJL and QMD model phase diagrams

MFA with & w/o vacuum term



Findings:

NJL: continuous  $\langle qq \rangle$  condensation

QMD: MFA 2<sup>nd</sup> order and TCP

→ (NLO) $\chi$ PT predicts also TCP

[Splittorff, Toublan, Verbaarschot; '02]

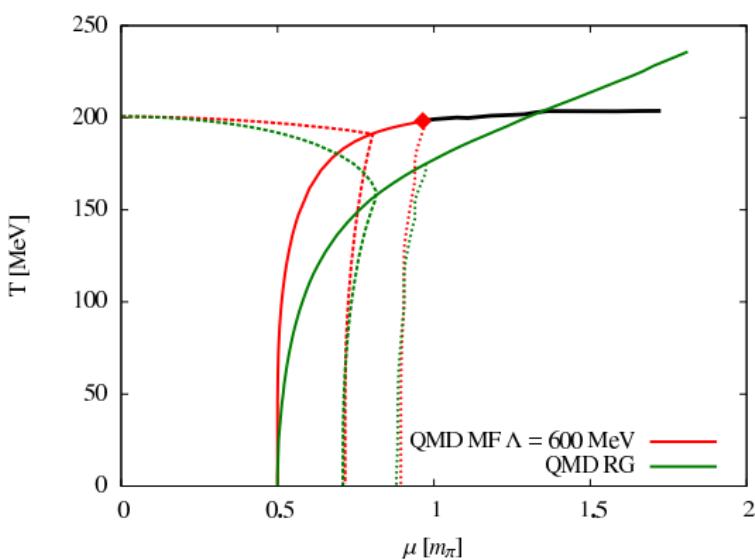
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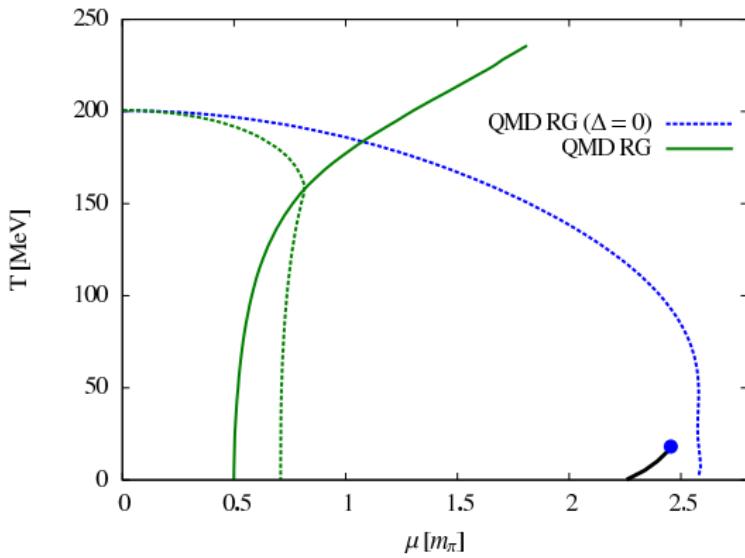
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## QMD phase diagrams

comparison with and  
without baryonic fluctuations ( $\Delta = 0$ )

Findings:



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- No 1<sup>st</sup> order low  $T$ !
- No CEP  $\mu \approx 2.5m_\pi$
- more tests are needed
- first step towards covariant quark-diquark description with a quark-meson-baryon model for QCD

[Strodthoff, BJS, von Smekal; 2012]

## Summary and Outlook

- chiral (Polyakov)-quark-meson-diquarks ((P)QMD model study (two flavor)
  - QC<sub>2</sub>D as playground for  $N_c = 3$  QCD
  - towards understanding of baryons
  - influence of baryonic dof's and fluctuations on existence of the CEP
    - no endpoint found with FRG
  - $N_c = 2$  importance of baryonic dof's

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functional approaches (such as the FRG) are suitable and controllable tools  
to investigate the QCD phase diagram and its phase boundaries

→ FunMethods guide the way towards full QCD