

Hadronic fluctuations at freeze-out

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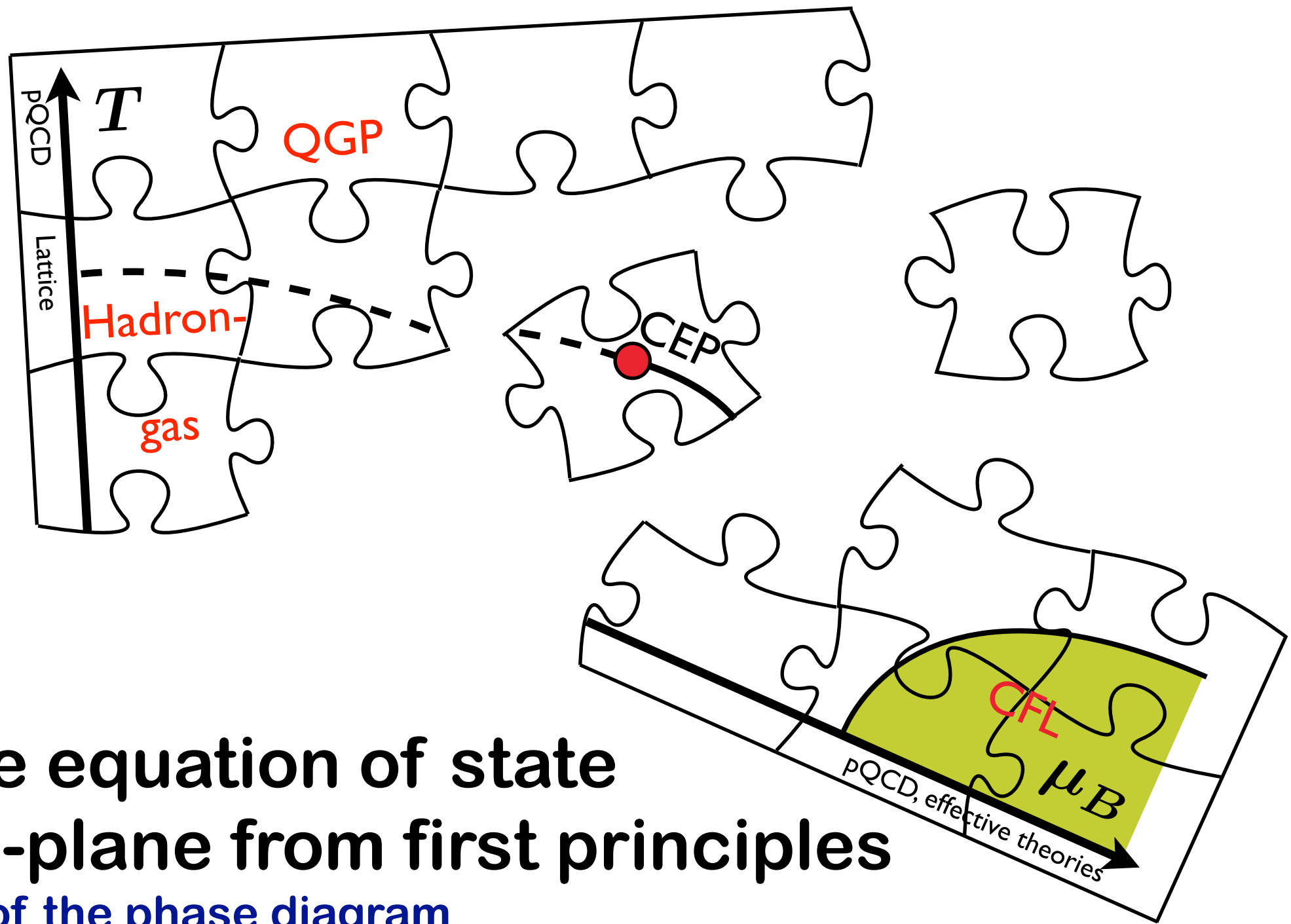
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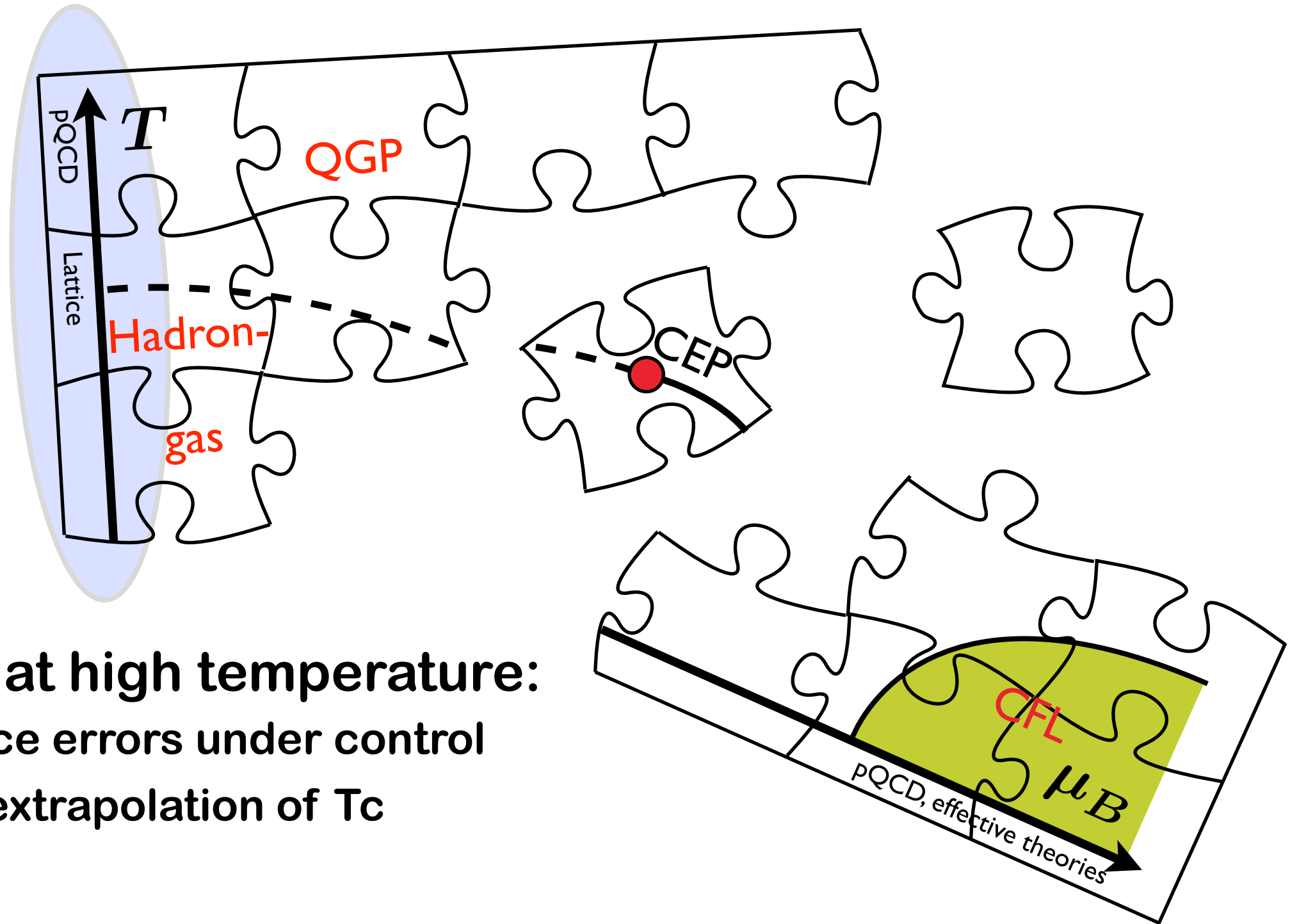


**Analyzing the equation of state
in the (T, μ_B) -plane from first principles**

→ **determination of the phase diagram**

→ **understanding underlying mechanism of the transition**

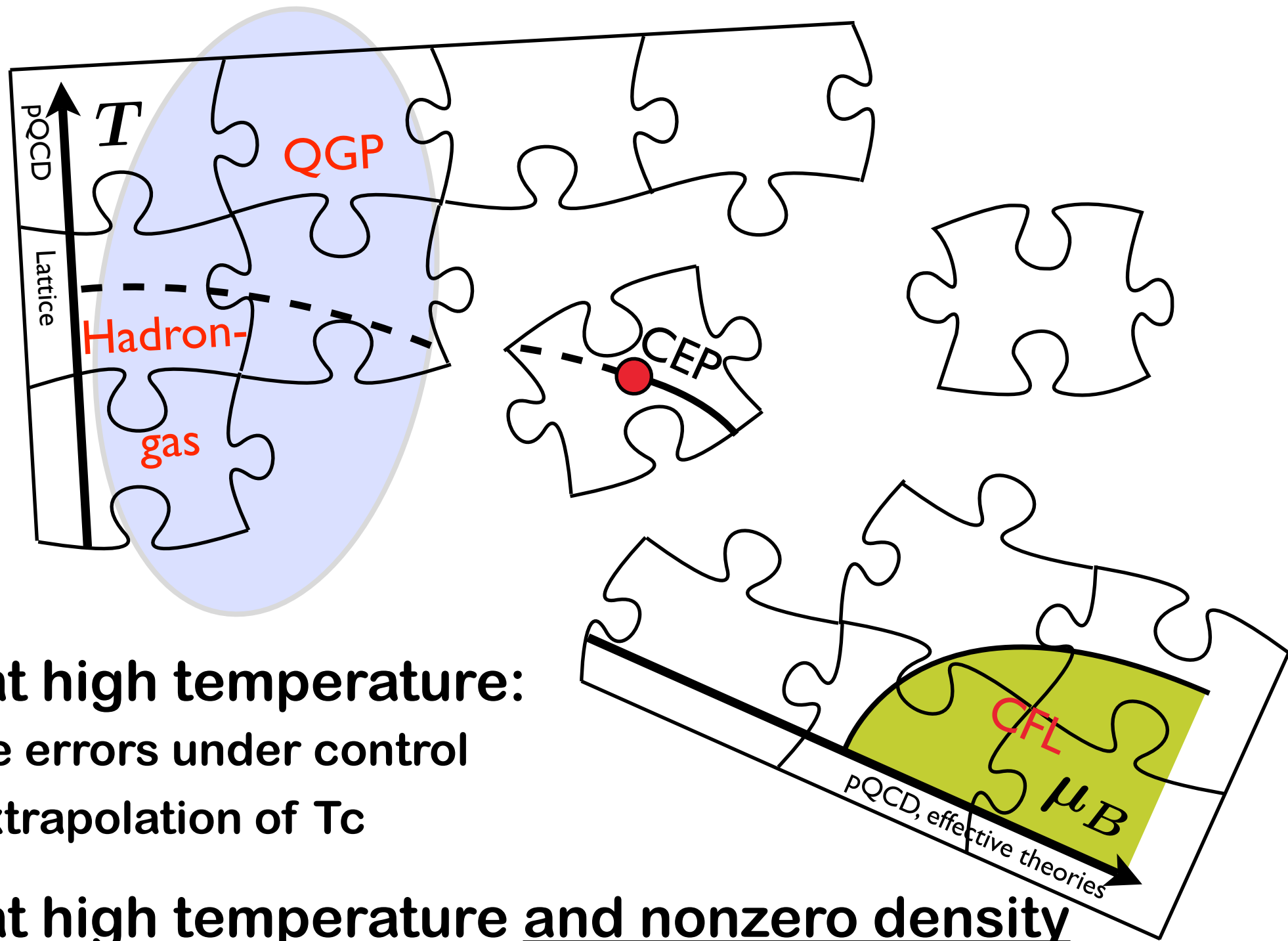
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★ Lattice QCD at high temperature and nonzero density

- ratios of moments of baryon number fluctuations
- baryon number fluctuations at freeze-out
- the radius of convergence

- Taylor-expansion of the pressure

$$\frac{p}{T^4} = \frac{1}{VT^3} \ln Z(V, T, \mu_u, \mu_d, \mu_s) = \sum_{i,j,k} c_{i,j,k}^{u,d,s} \left(\frac{\mu_u}{T} \right)^i \left(\frac{\mu_d}{T} \right)^j \left(\frac{\mu_s}{T} \right)^k$$

- calculate Taylor coefficients at fixed temperature

- no sign-problem:

all simulations at $\mu = 0$

$$c_{i,j,k}^{u,d,s} \equiv \frac{1}{i!j!k!} \frac{1}{VT^3} \cdot \left. \frac{\partial^i \partial^j \partial^k \ln Z}{\partial \left(\frac{\mu_u}{T} \right)^i \partial \left(\frac{\mu_d}{T} \right)^j \partial \left(\frac{\mu_s}{T} \right)^k} \right|_{\mu_{u,d,s}=0}$$

- expansion coefficients reflect fluctuations of various quantum numbers

generalized susceptibilities

$$2!c_2^X = \chi_2^X = \frac{1}{VT^3} \left(\langle X^2 \rangle - \langle X \rangle^2 \right) \quad \text{quadratic fluctuations}$$

$$4!c_4^X = \chi_4^X = \frac{1}{VT^3} \left(\langle X^4 \rangle - 3 \langle X^2 \rangle^2 \right) \quad \text{quartic fluctuations}$$

$$X = u, d, s, B, Q, S, \dots$$

- formulate all operators in terms of space-time, color (and spin) traces:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial(\ln \det M)}{\partial \mu} &= \mathcal{D}_1 = \text{Tr} \left(M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} \right) \\
 \frac{\partial^2(\ln \det M)}{\partial \mu^2} &= \mathcal{D}_2 = \text{Tr} \left(M^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial \mu^2} \right) - \text{Tr} \left(M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} \right) \\
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 &\quad + 2 \text{Tr} \left(M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} \right) \\
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 &\quad - 3 \text{Tr} \left(M^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial \mu^2} M^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial \mu^2} \right) + 12 \text{Tr} \left(M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} M^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial \mu^2} \right) \\
 &\quad - 6 \text{Tr} \left(M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \mu} \right)
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- evaluate all traces by noisy estimators:

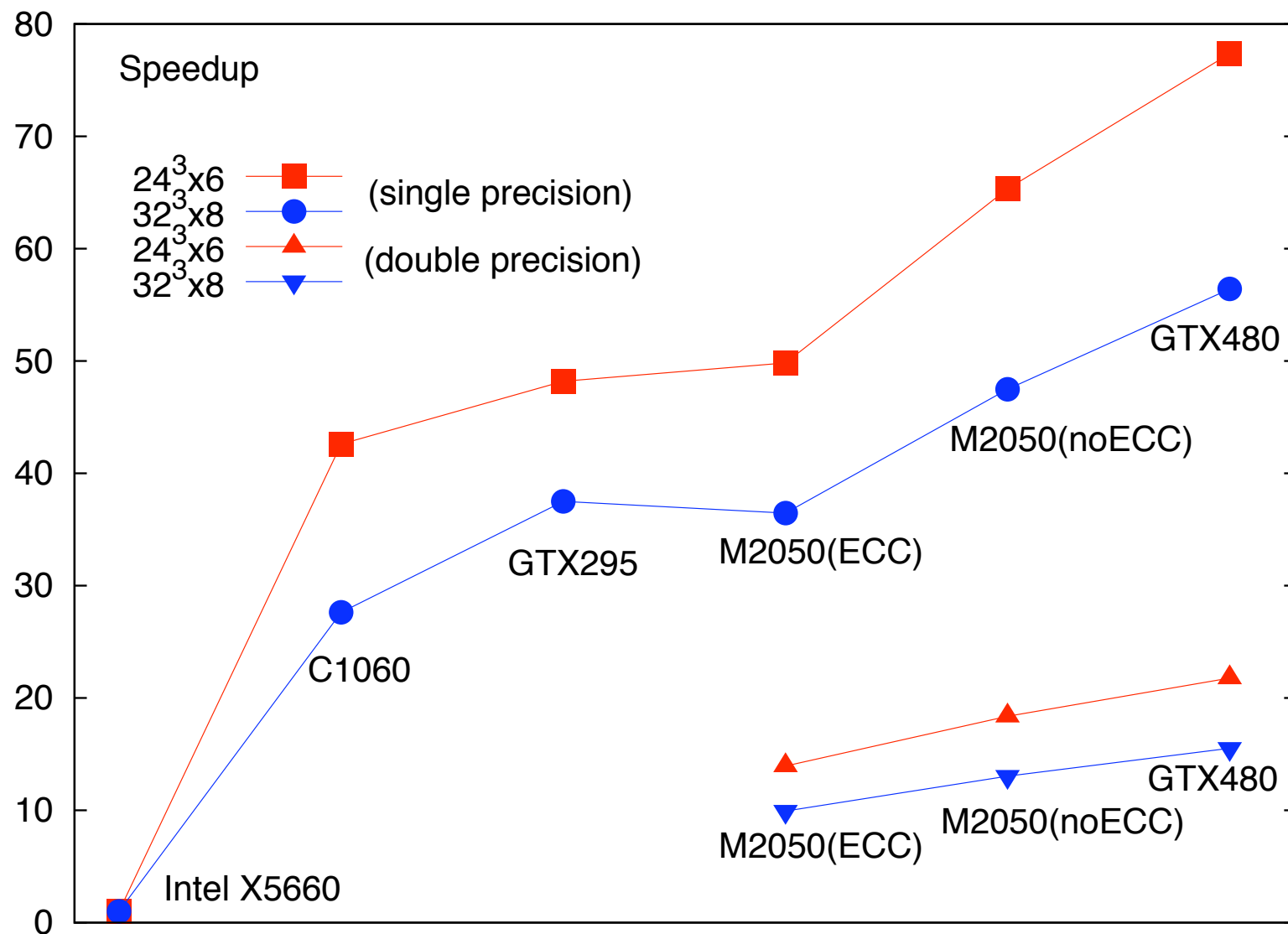
$$\text{Tr} \left(\frac{\partial^{n_1} M}{\partial \mu^{n_1}} M^{-1} \frac{\partial^{n_2} M}{\partial \mu^{n_2}} \cdots M^{-1} \right) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \eta_k^\dagger \frac{\partial^{n_1} M}{\partial \mu^{n_1}} M^{-1} \frac{\partial^{n_2} M}{\partial \mu^{n_2}} \cdots M^{-1} \eta_k$$

with N random vectors, satisfying $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \eta_{n,i}^* \eta_{n,j} = \delta_{i,j}$

- construct expansion coefficients from $\mathcal{D}_n^u, \mathcal{D}_n^d, \mathcal{D}_n^s$, with unbiased estimators

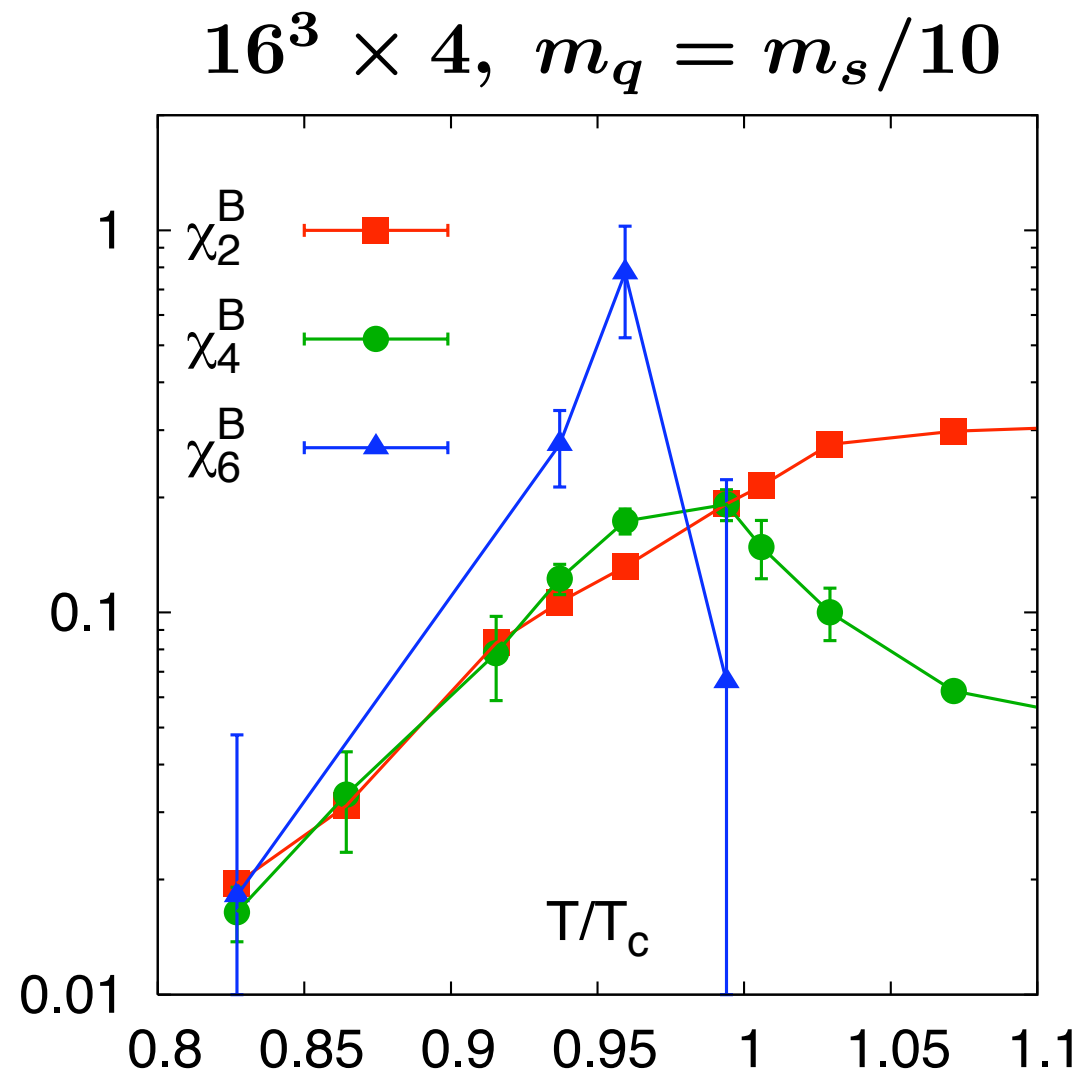
$$c_{2,0,0}^{u,d,s} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{N_\tau}{N_\sigma^3} \left(\langle \mathcal{D}_2^u \rangle + \langle (\mathcal{D}_1^u)^2 \rangle \right)$$

- use effective implementation of the CG-solver for p4-improved staggered fermions on GPU's



courtesy O. Kaczmarek

- use CUDA by NVIDIA
- most important optimization: obtain coalesced memory access by a spacial storage pattern of the fields (color index is the most outer index)
- see also:
 - Egri et al., Comput.Phys.Commun. 177:631-639,2007.
 - Clark, PoS LAT2009:003,2009.
 - Bonati et al., PoS(Lattice 2010)324



Analyzing the critical behavior:

scaling field (chiral limit):

$$t = \frac{1}{t_0} \left(\frac{T - T_c}{T_c} + \kappa \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T} \right)^2 \right)$$

free energy:

$$f = A_{\pm} |t|^{2-\alpha} + \text{regular}$$

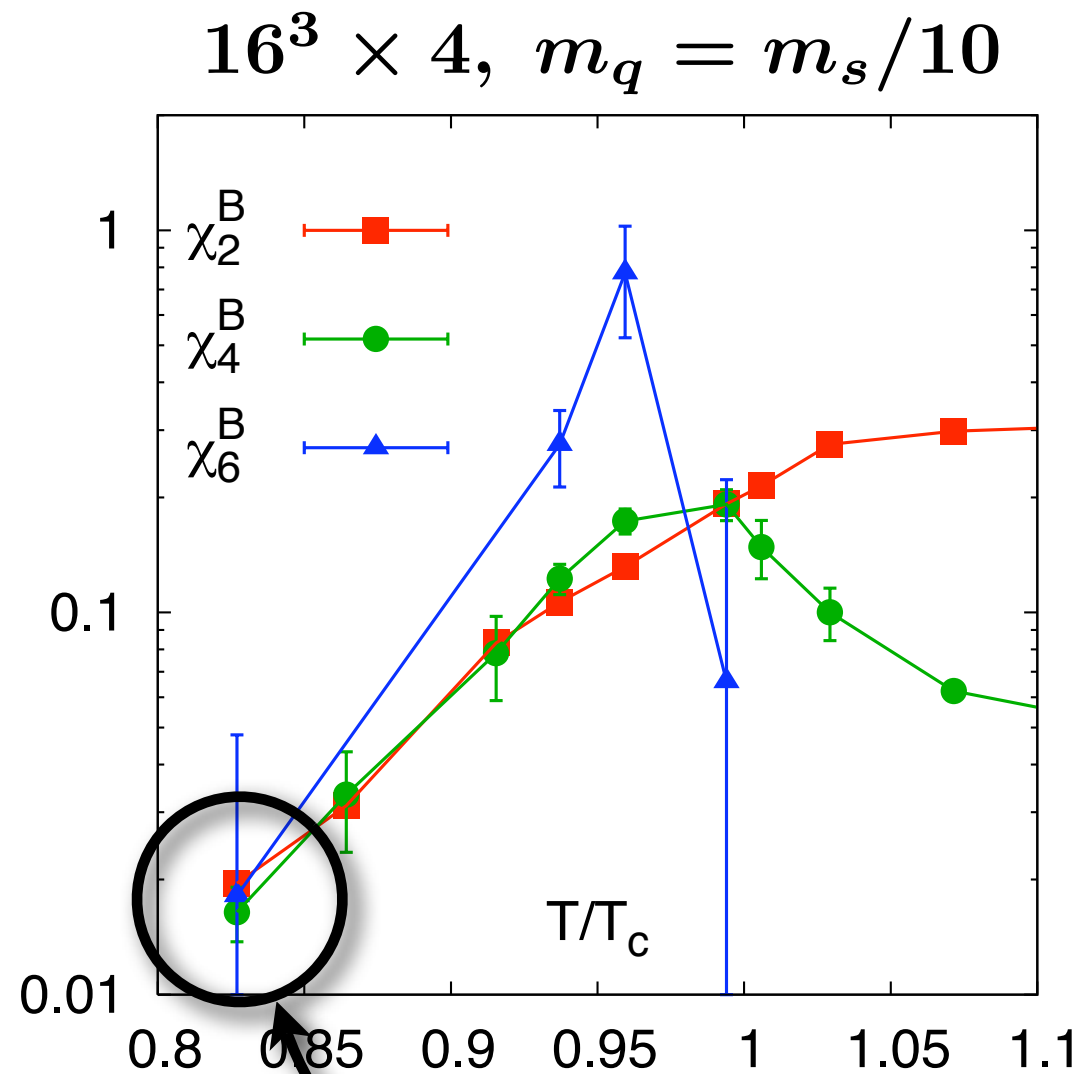
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hadron resonance gas

$$\ln Z(T, V, \mu_B, \mu_S, \mu_Q) = \sum_{i \in \text{hadrons}} \ln Z_{m_i}(T, V, \mu_B, \mu_S, \mu_Q) \\ + \sum_{i \in \text{mesons}} \ln Z_{m_i}^B(T, V, \mu_S, \mu_Q) + \sum_{i \in \text{baryons}} \ln Z_{m_i}^F(T, V, \mu_B, \mu_S, \mu_Q)$$

mesons:

$$\frac{p_i}{T^4} = \frac{d_i}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{m_i}{T} \right)^2 \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (+1)^{l+1} l^{-2} K_2(lm_i/T) \cosh(lS_i\mu_S/T + lQ_i\mu_Q/T)$$

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Boltzmann
approximation

ratios are
independent of
spectrum and
volume



possibly large
parts of cut-off
effects cancel

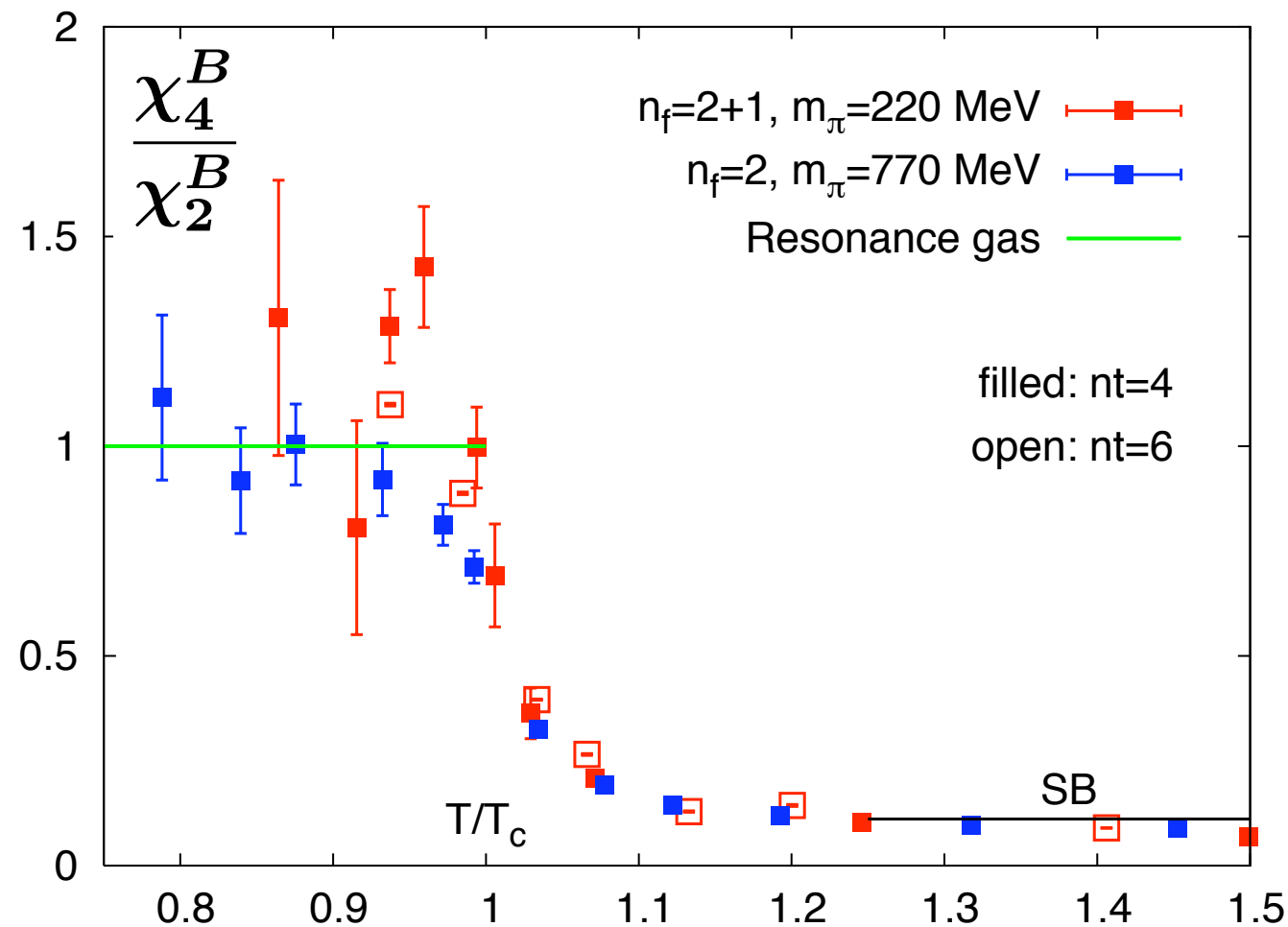
3 ratios:

$$\frac{\chi_4^B}{\chi_2^B} = \kappa \sigma^2 = \frac{B^4}{B^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{\chi_3^B}{\chi_2^B} = S \sigma = \frac{B^3}{B^2} \tanh(\mu_B/T)$$

$$\frac{\chi_2^B}{\chi_1^B} = \sigma^2 / N_B = \frac{B^2}{B^1} \coth(\mu_B/T)$$

- Kurtosis times variance

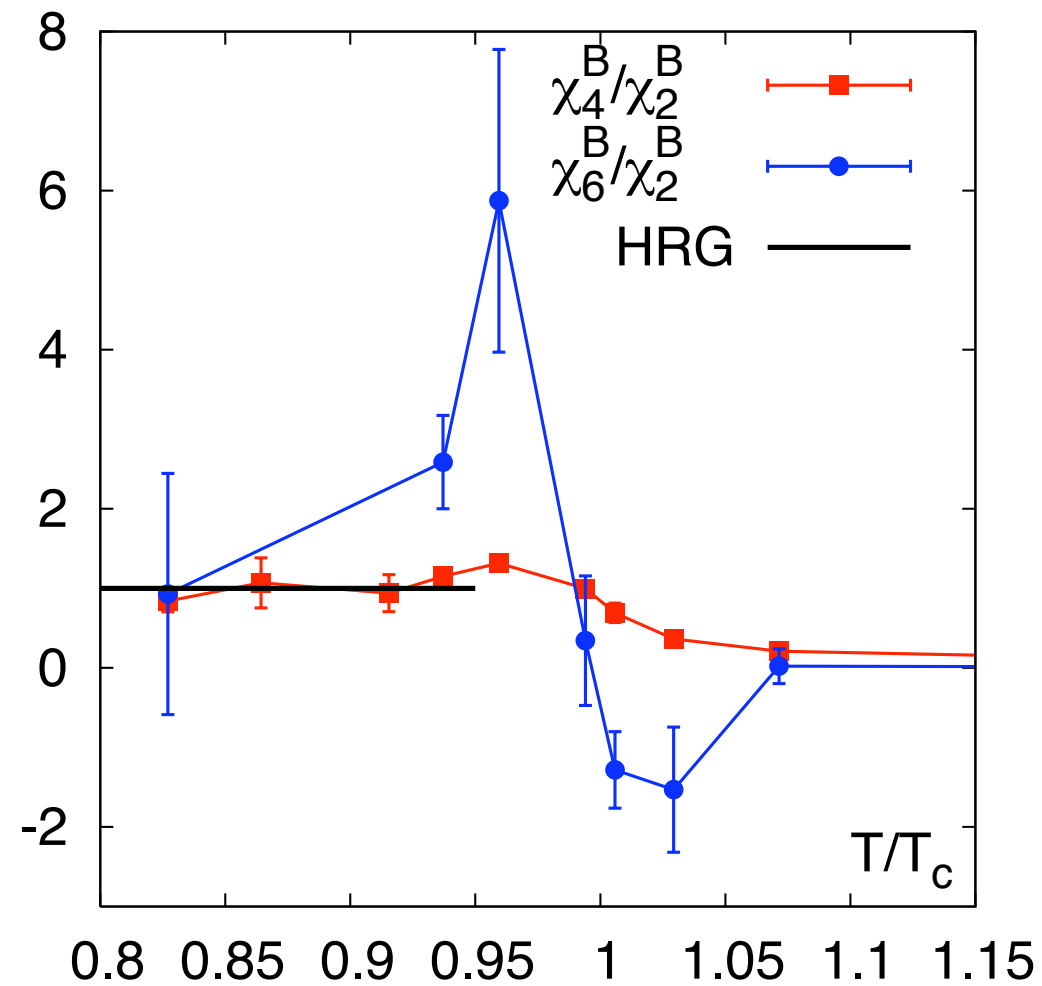


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- sensitive to relevant quantum numbers in the medium
- divergent at the critical point
($Z(2)$ Universality class: $\alpha > 0$)

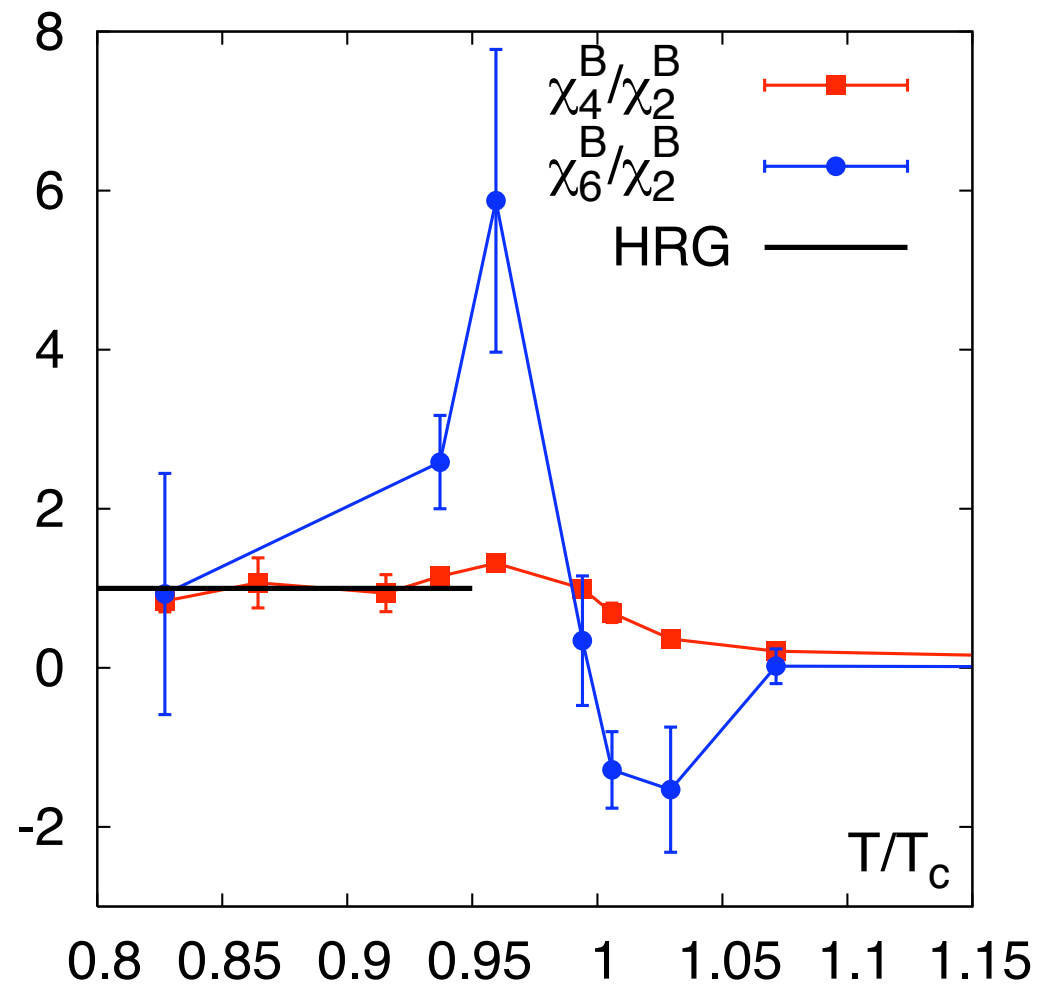
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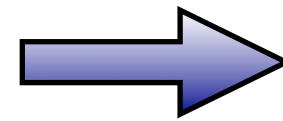
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Use parametrization of Freeze-out curve to connect to STAR measurements of net-proton number

$$T(\mu_B) = 0.166 \text{ GeV} - 0.139 \text{ GeV}^{-1} \mu_B^2 - 0.053 \text{ GeV}^{-3} \mu_B^4$$

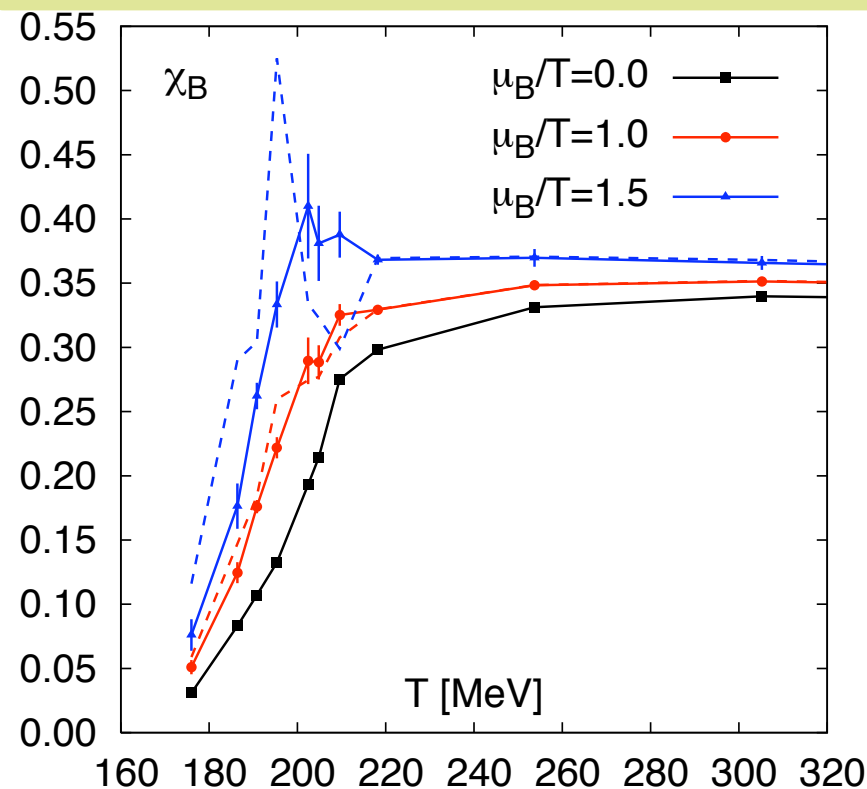
$$\mu_B(\sqrt{s}) = \frac{1.308 \text{ GeV}}{1 + 0.273 \text{ GeV}^{-1} \sqrt{s}}$$

[Cleymans et al., Phys. Rev. C 63 (2006) 034905]

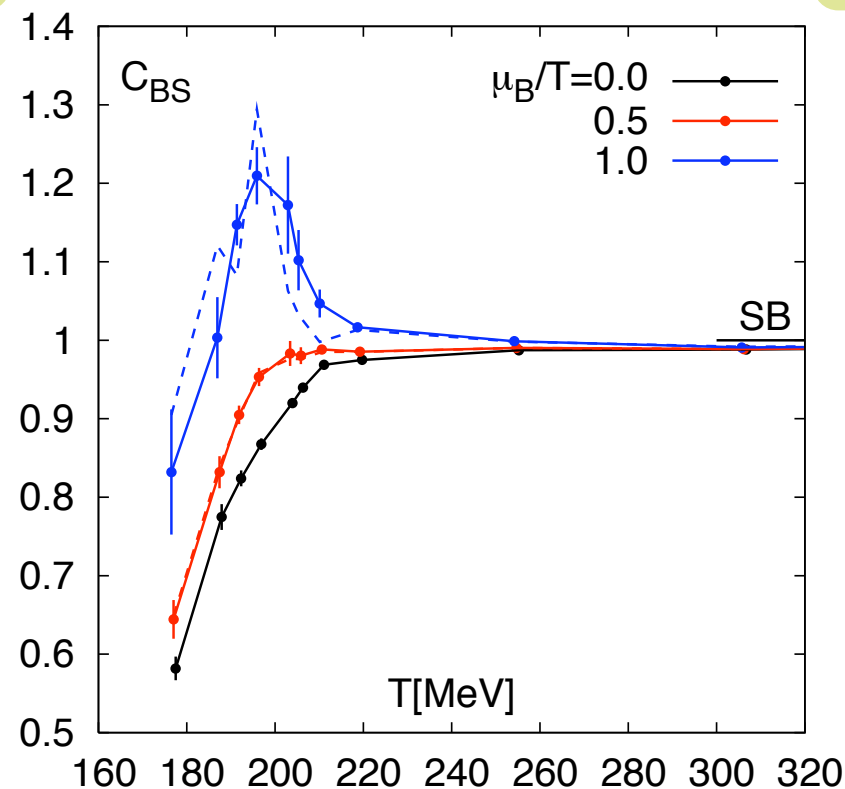
at $\mu_B > 0$ ($\mu_S = \mu_Q = 0$)

baryon number
fluctuations

$$\chi_B = 2c_2^B + 12c_4^B \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T} \right)^2 + \dots$$

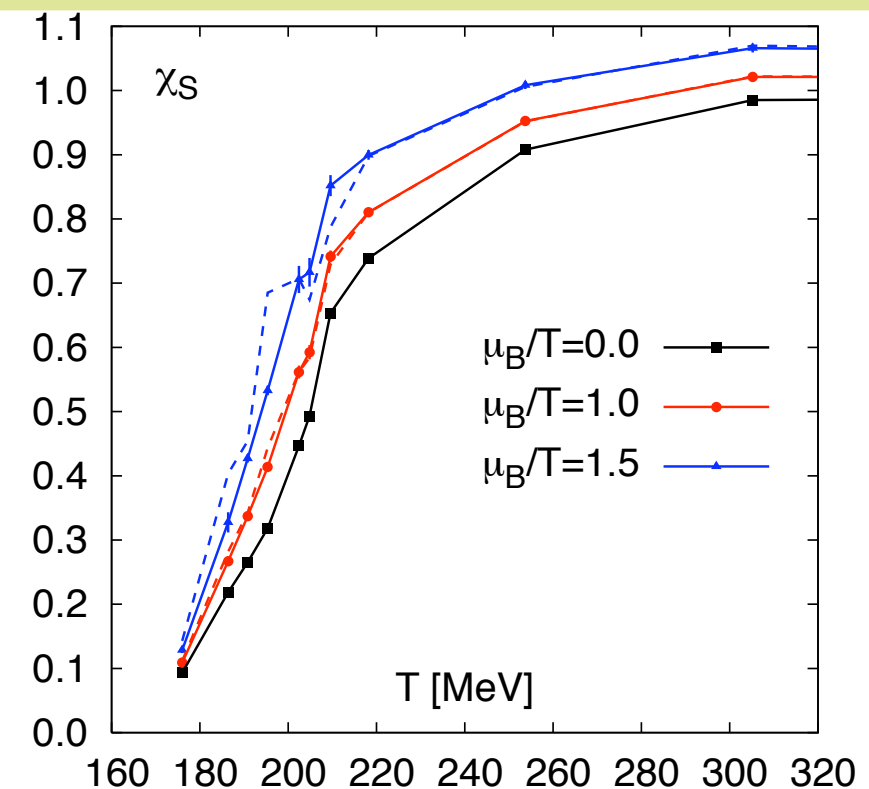


baryon number -
strangeness correlations



strangeness
fluctuations

$$\chi_S = 2c_{0,2}^{B,S} + 2c_{2,2}^{B,S} \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T} \right)^2 + \dots$$



$$C_{BS} = \frac{c_{1,1}^{B,S} + 3c_{3,1}^{B,S} \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T} \right)^2 + \dots}{\chi_S \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T} \right)}$$

→ LO introduces a peak in the fluctuations/correlations,
NLO shifts the peak towards smaller temperatures

→ truncation errors become large at $\mu_B/T \gtrsim 1.5$

at $\mu_B > 0$ ($\mu_S = \mu_Q = 0$)

Taylor expansion of ratios:

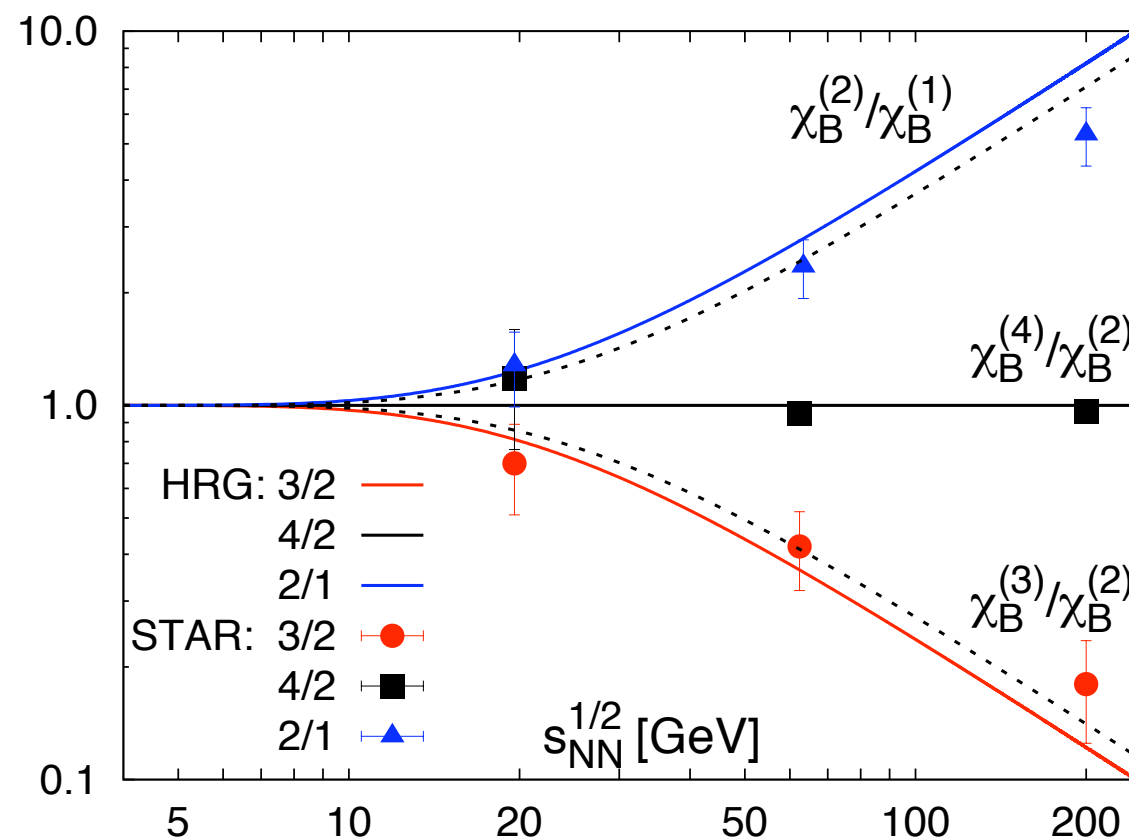
$$\frac{\chi_2}{\chi_1} = \left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right)^{-1} + \frac{4c_4}{c_2} \left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right)^1 + \left(-\frac{8c_4^2}{c_2^2} + \frac{12c_6}{c_2}\right) \left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right)^3 + \mathcal{O}\left[\left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right)^5\right]$$

$$\frac{\chi_3}{\chi_2} = \frac{12c_4}{c_2} \left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right)^1 + \left(-\frac{72c_4^2}{c_2^2} + \frac{60c_6}{c_2}\right) \left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right)^3 + \mathcal{O}\left[\left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right)^5\right]$$

$$\frac{\chi_4}{\chi_2} = \frac{12c_4}{c_2} + \left(-\frac{72c_4^2}{c_2^2} + \frac{180c_6}{c_2}\right) \left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}\left[\left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right)^4\right]$$

- use parametrization of the freeze-out line to obtain μ/T as function of $\sqrt{s}$
- use multi-histogram re-weighting to interpolate between temperatures
- **caution:** neglecting μ_Q, μ_S dependence

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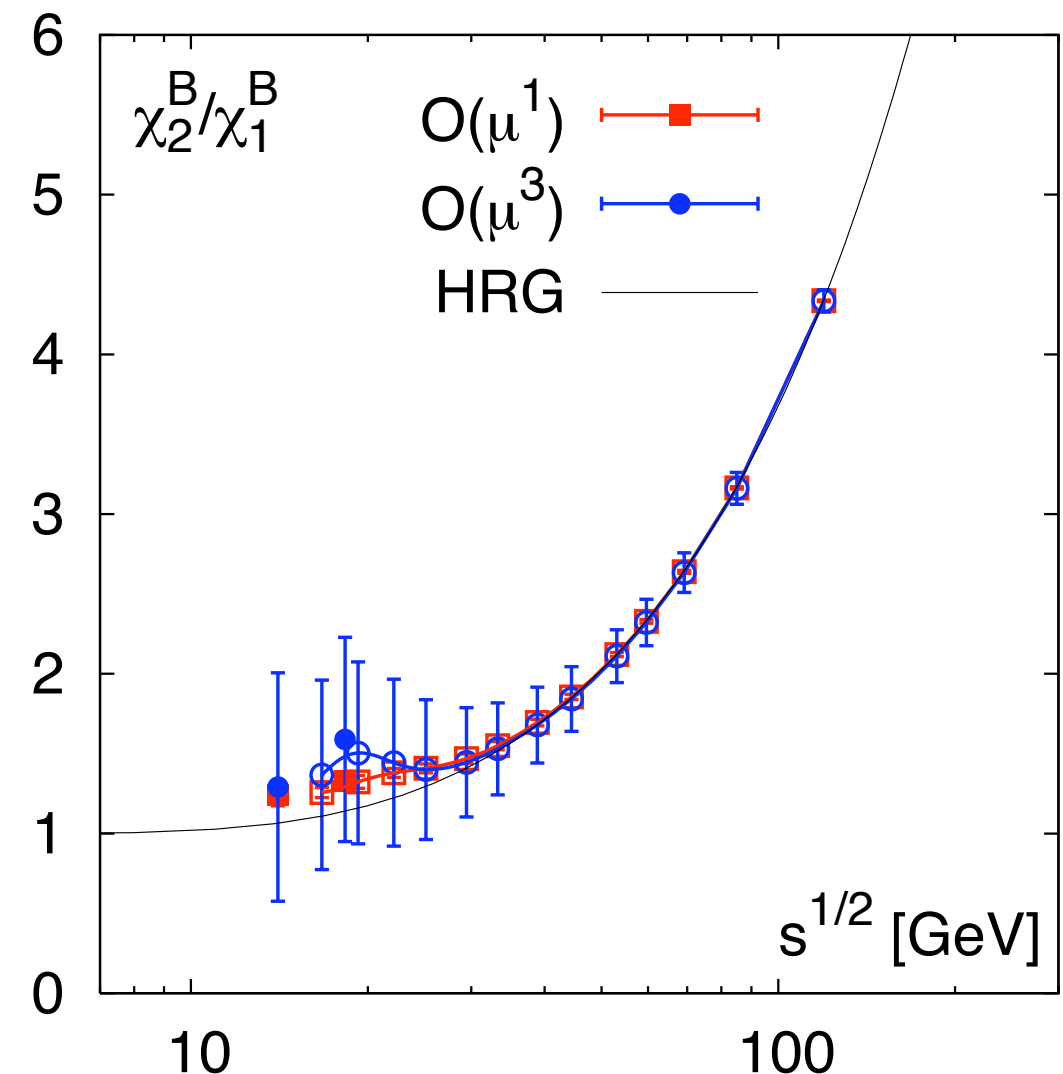


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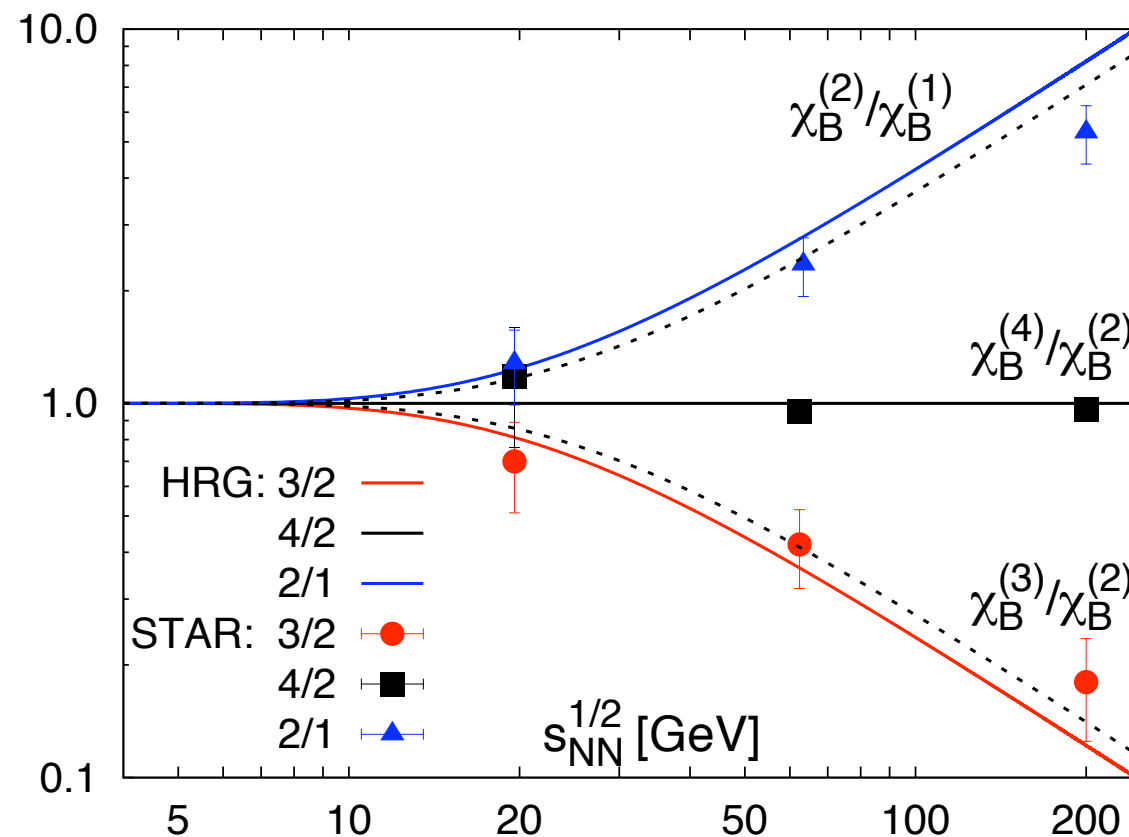
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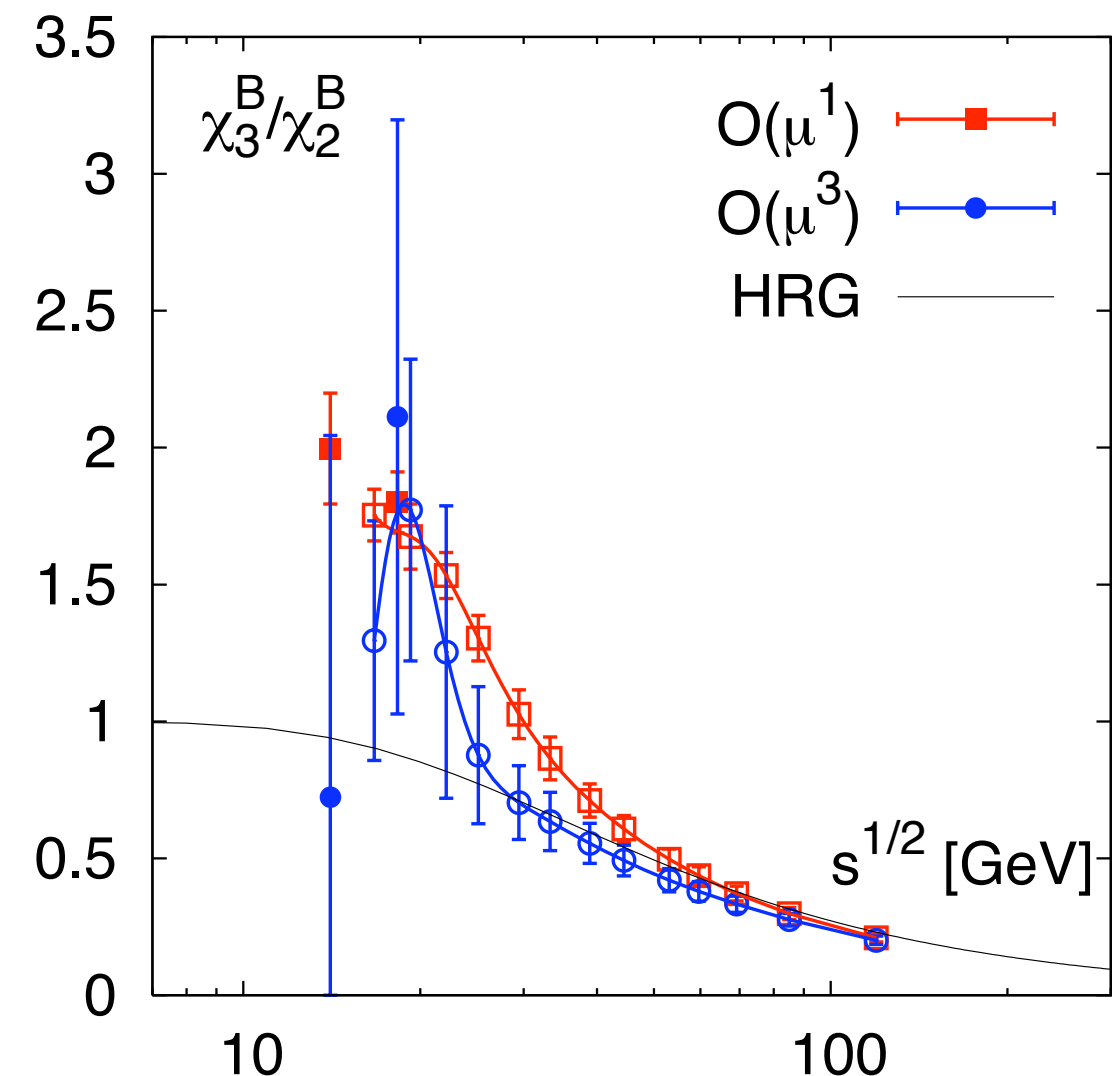


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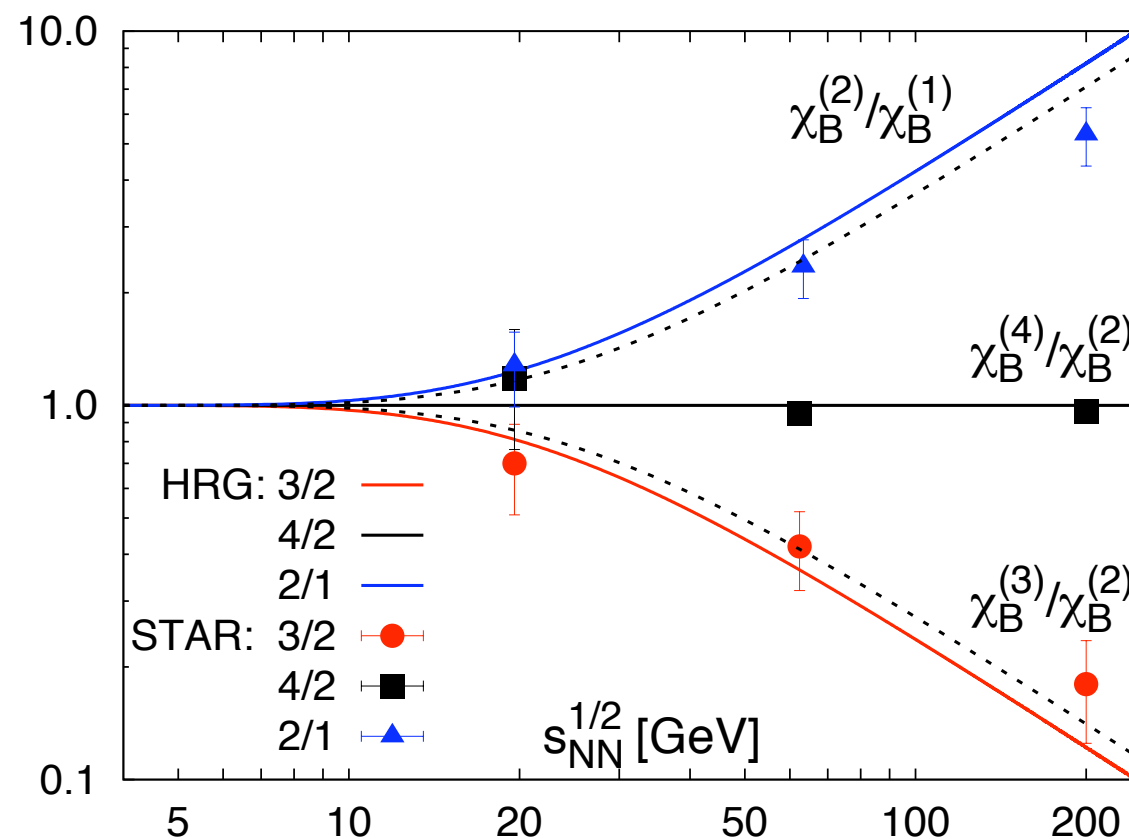
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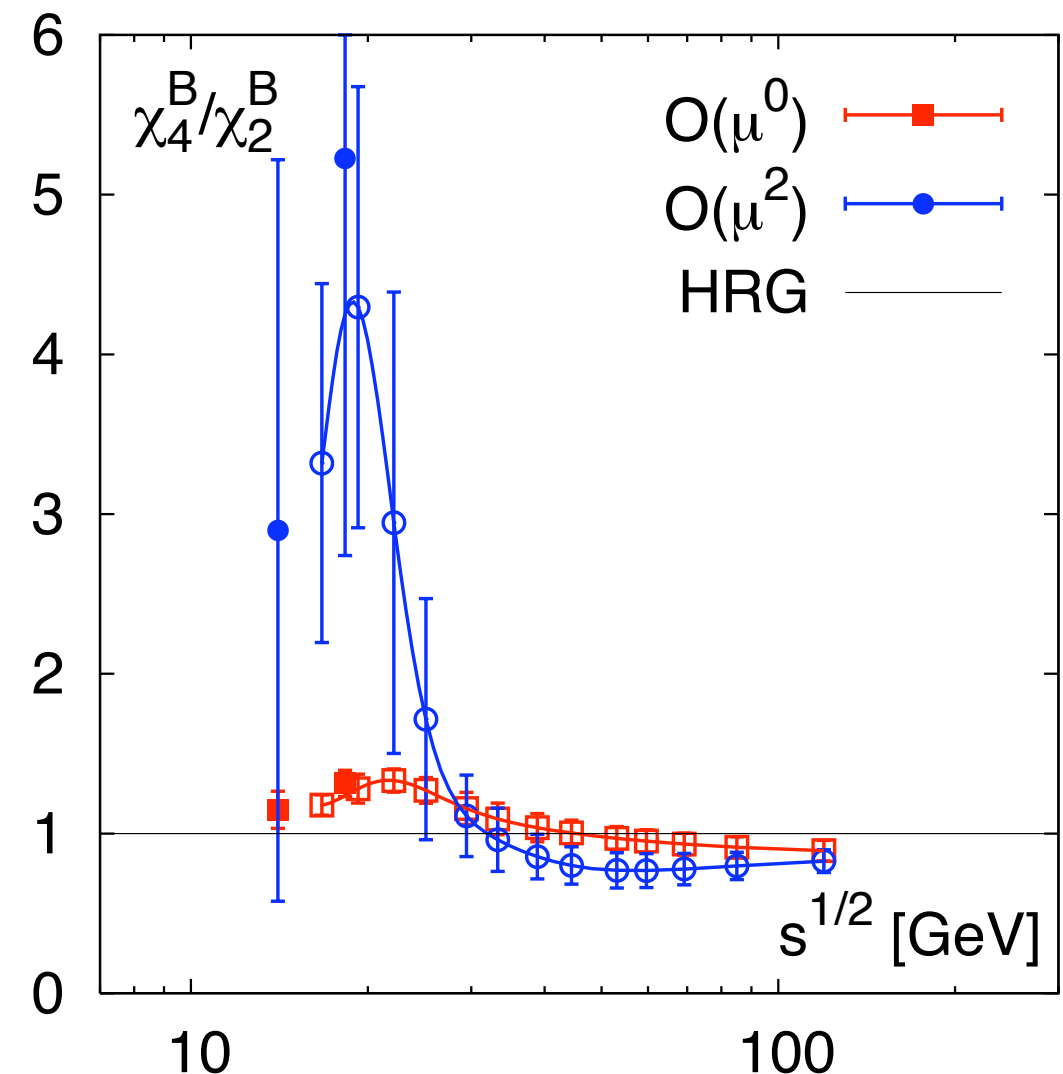


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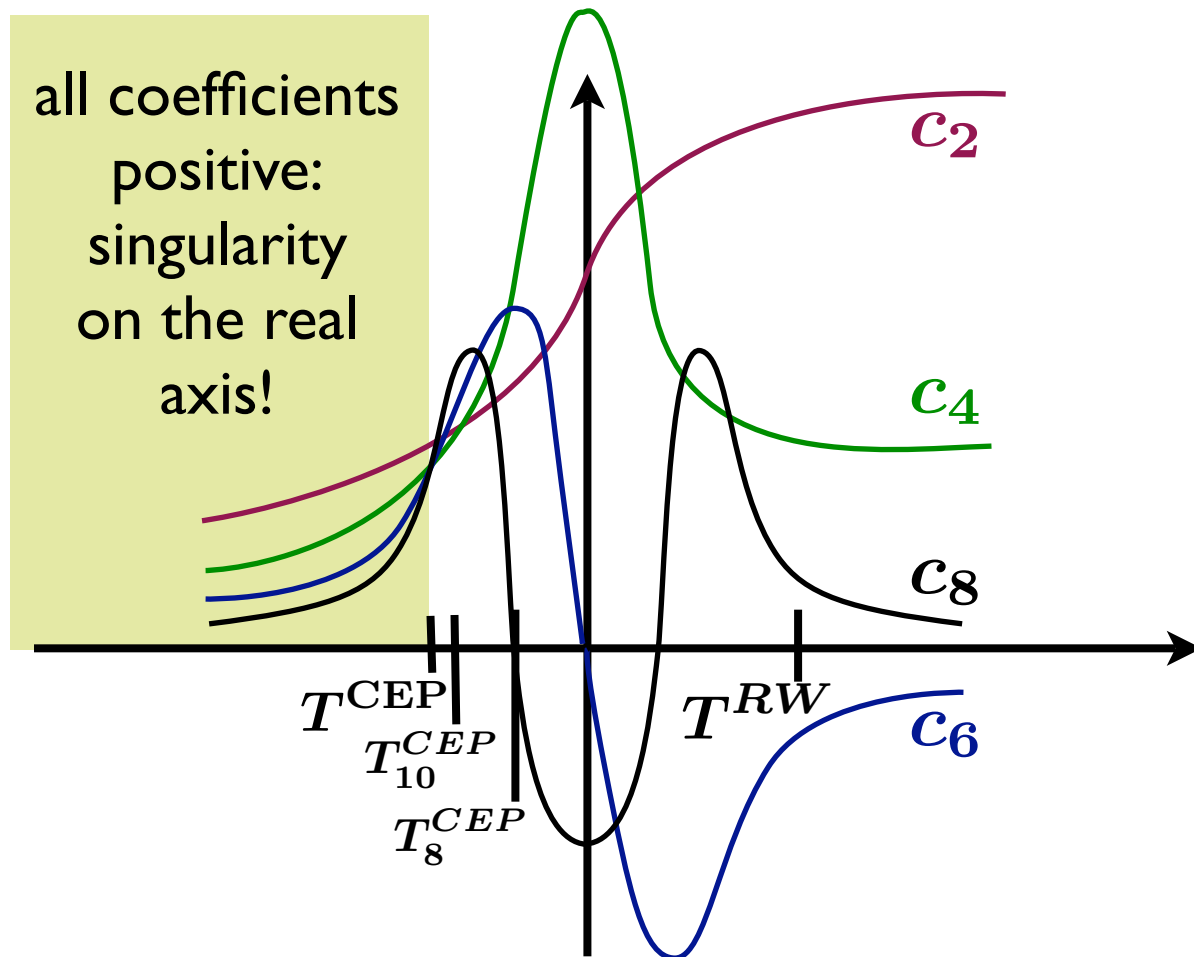
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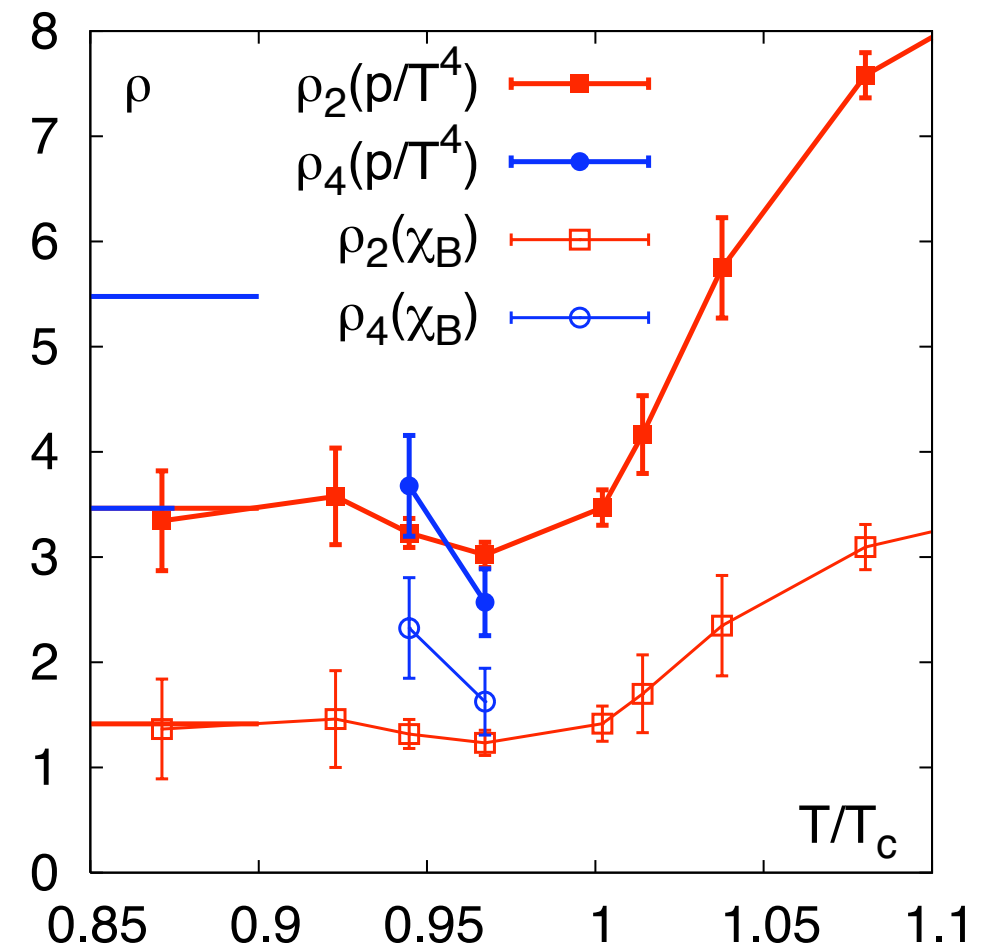
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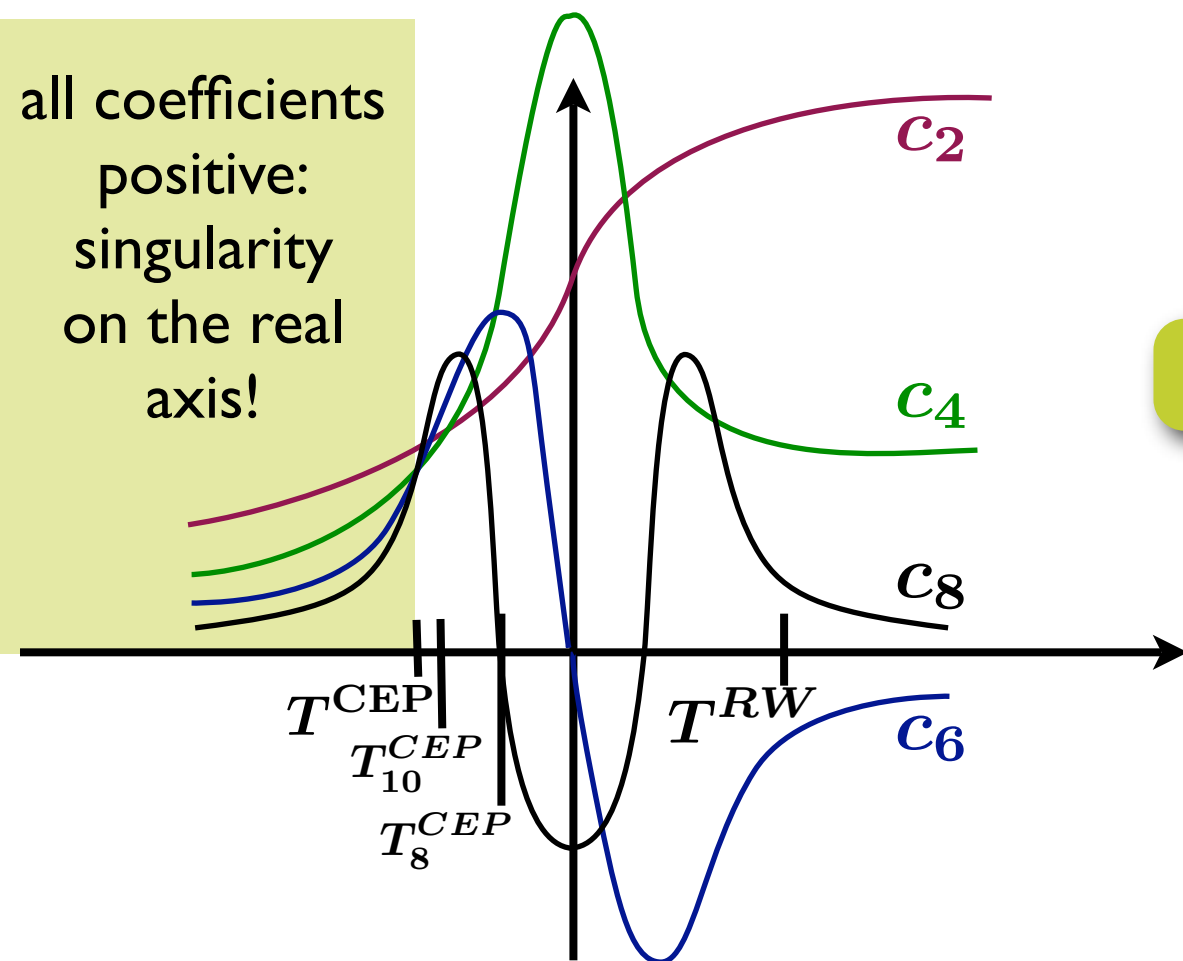
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all coefficients positive:
singularity on the real axis!

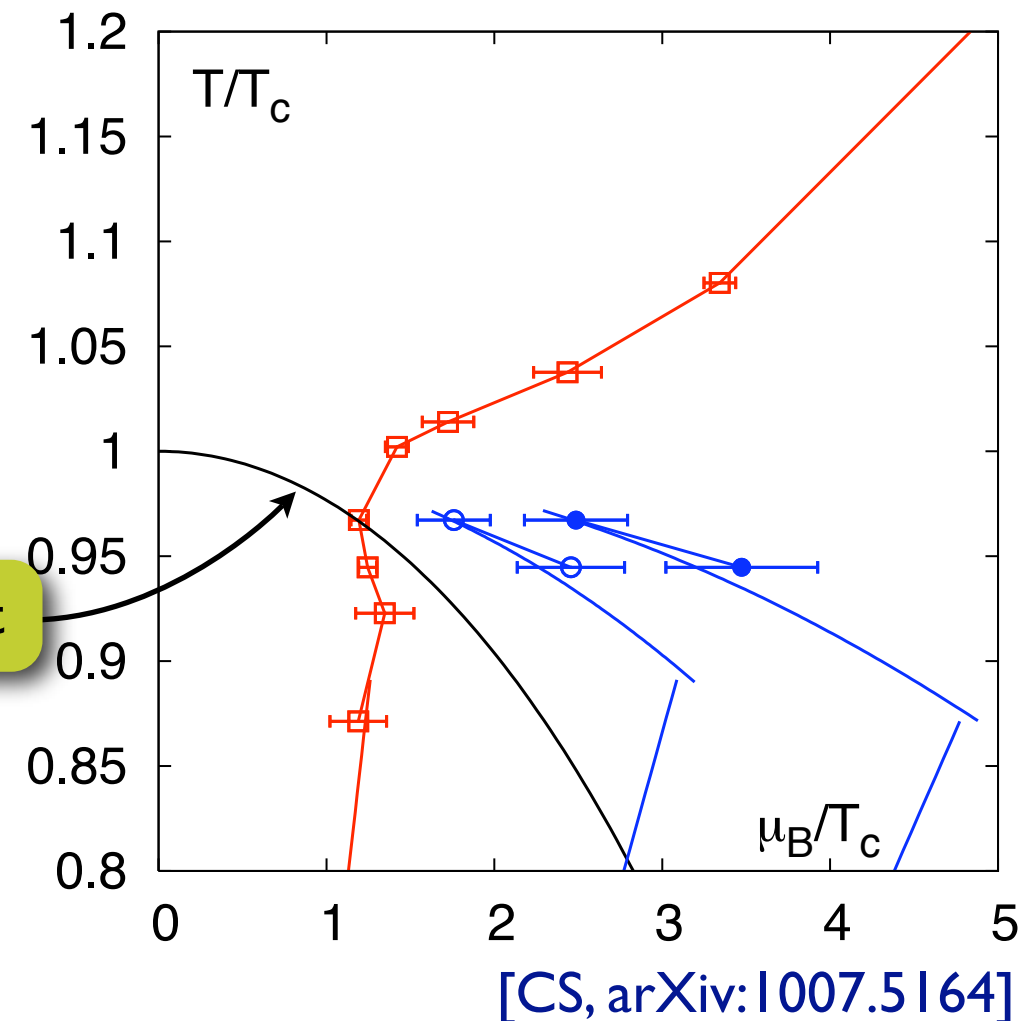


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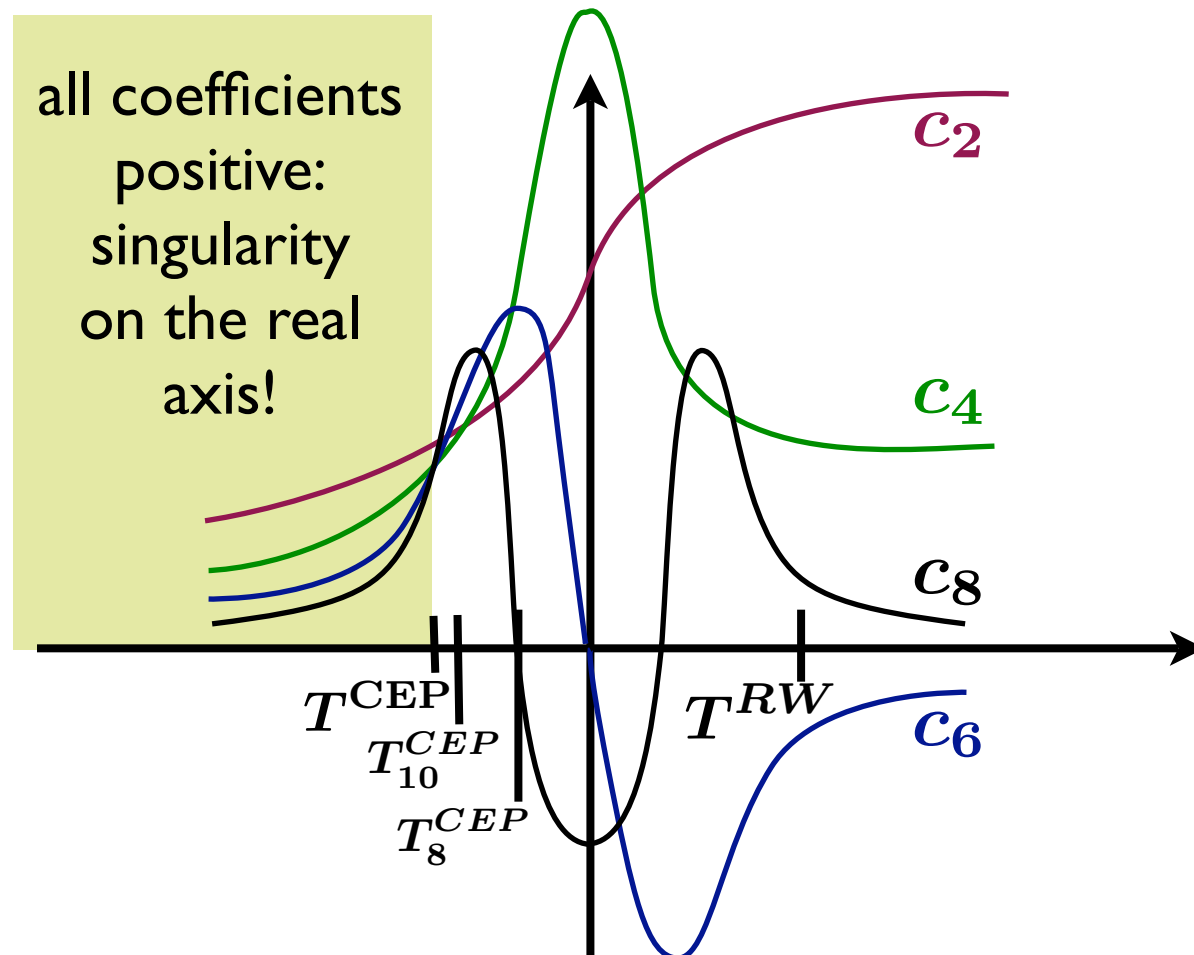
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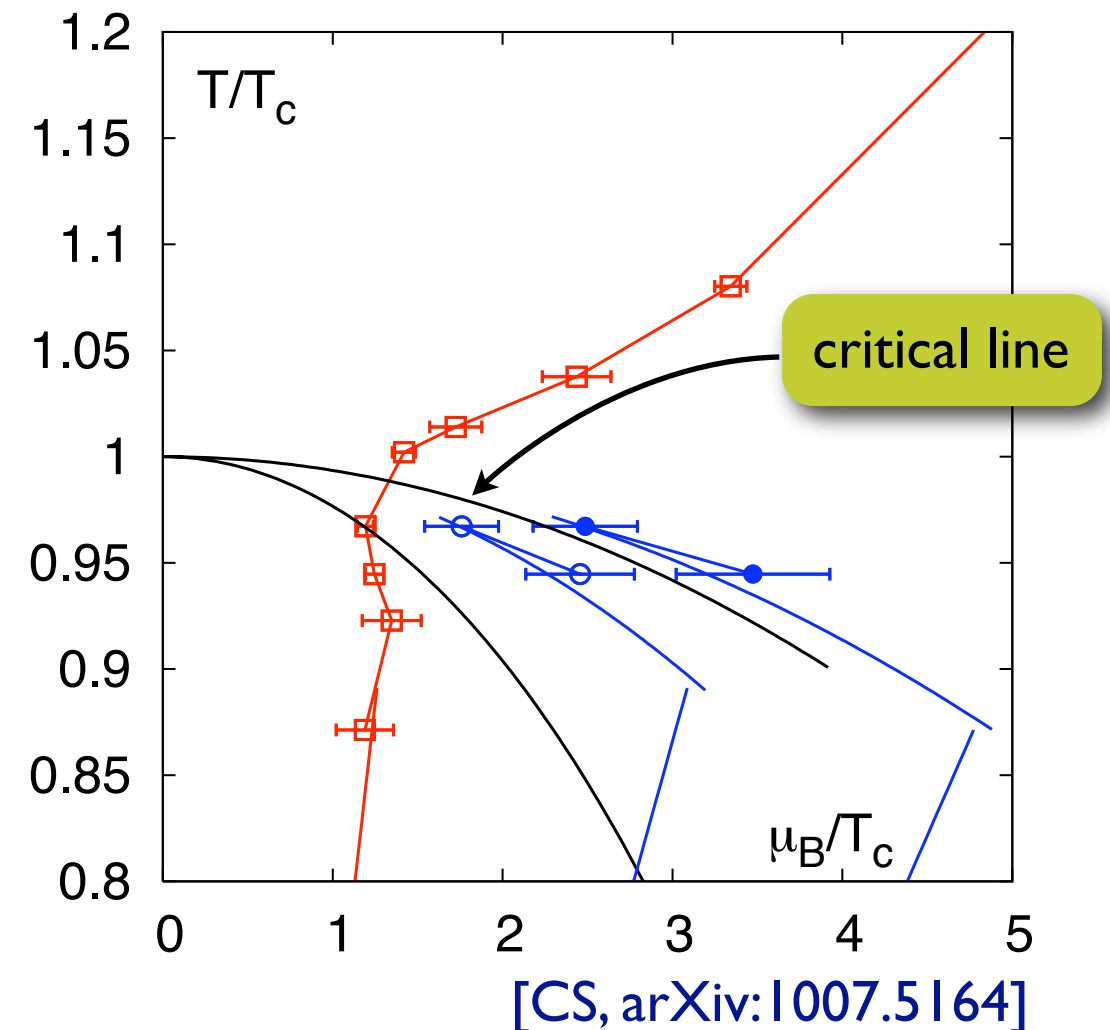
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- radius of convergence is consistent with critical line in the chiral limit (for determination of critical line see talk by F. Karsch)

- We have calculated higher order baryonic fluctuations, which are more and more sensitive to the critical behavior of QCD (in the chiral limit and close to the critical point)
- Ratios of baryonic susceptibilities are sensitive to the relevant degrees of freedom but are rather independent on the spectrum and volume. For Low temperatures the lattice data can be explained by the HRG model.

➡ results need to be confirmed in the continuum limit

- STAR data on net-proton fluctuations can be described the lattice data (and the HRG model) for $\sqrt{s} \gtrsim (10 - 20) \text{ GeV}$
- Estimates of the radius of convergence are consistent with the critical line in the chiral limit as determined from a fit of a mixed chiral and light quark susceptibility to the corresponding universal scaling function (see talk by F. Karsch).
- 8th order fluctuations are necessary to obtain a first nontrivial estimate of the critical point.