

# ***QCD Phase Structure at High Baryon Density***

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(2) Yamamoto, Tachibana, Baym & T.H., Phys. Rev. D 76 (2007) 074001.

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# Quantum Chromo Dynamics

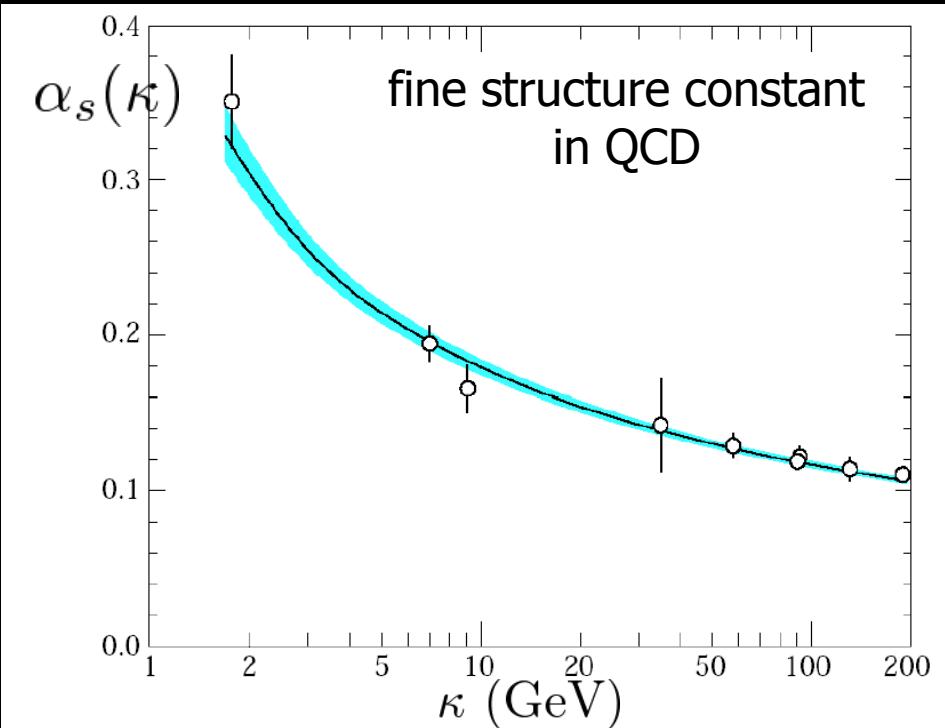
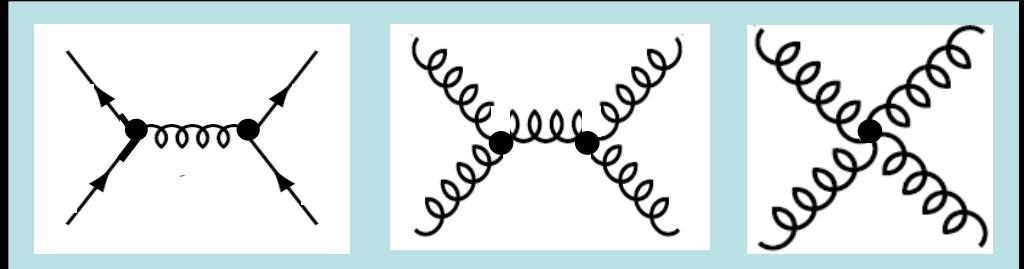
$$L = -\frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu} + \bar{q} \gamma^\mu (i \partial_\mu - g t^a A_\mu^a) q - m \bar{q} q$$

QCD: SU(3) gauge theory for color charge



Y. Nambu

- SU(3) YM for strong interaction  
(Nambu '66)
- Asymptotic freedom  
(Gross, Wilczek & Politzer '73)
- Confinement criterion  
(Wilson '74)



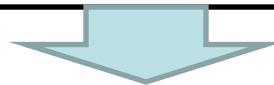
# *QCD vacuum and its symmetry*

**Chiral basis :**  $q_L = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5)q, \quad q_R = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_5)q$

**QCD Lagrangian :**  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{cl}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{cl}}(q_L, A) + \mathcal{L}_{\text{cl}}(q_R, A)$

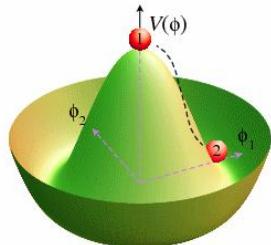
**classical QCD symmetry (m=0)**

$$\mathcal{G} = SU(3)_C \times [SU(N_f)_L \times SU(N_f)_R] \times U(1)_B \times U(1)_A$$



**Quantum QCD vacuum (m=0)**

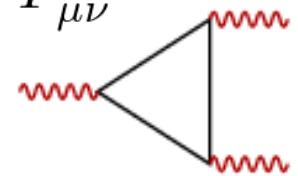
**Chiral condensate :**  
**spontaneous mass generation**



$$\langle \bar{q}_R q_L \rangle \neq 0$$

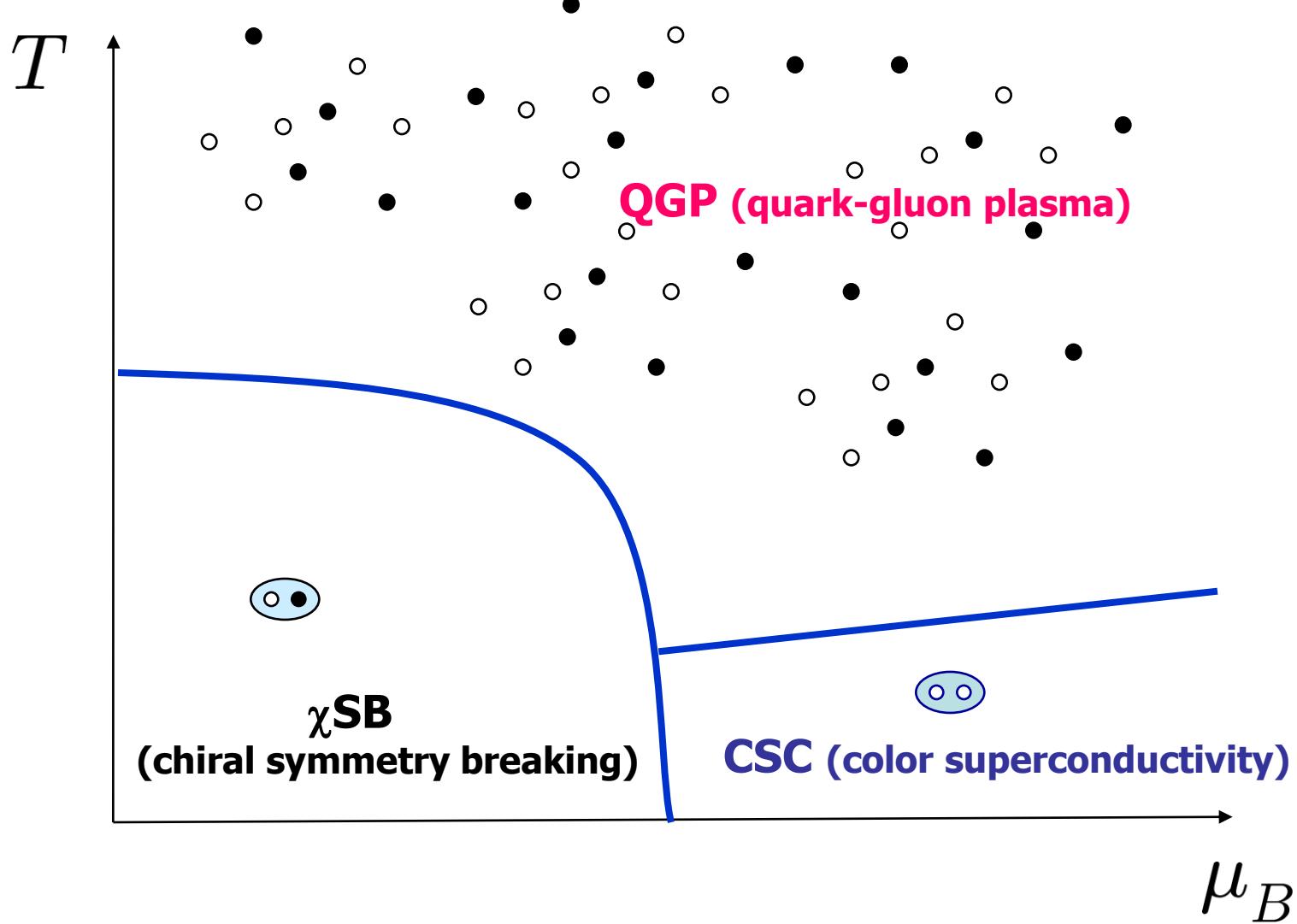
**Axial anomaly :**  
**quantum violation of U(1)<sub>A</sub>**

$$\partial_\mu J_A^\mu = -2N_f \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} F_a^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}^a$$



$$SU(3)_C \times SU(N_f)_{L+R} \times U(1)_B$$

# *Phases in QCD*



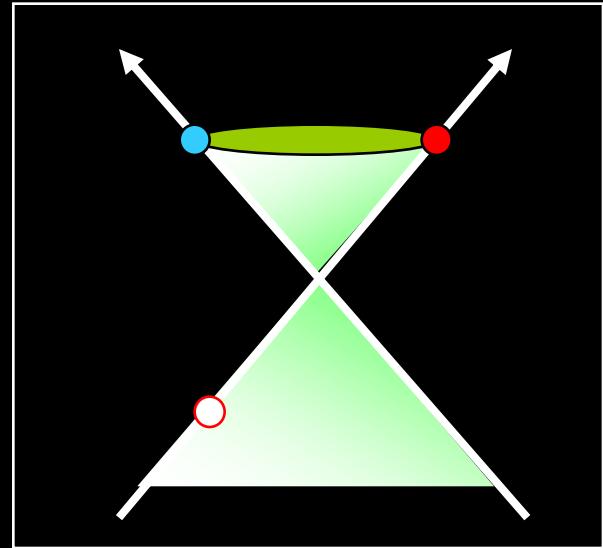
## Dirac mass vs. Majorana mass

$$\Psi = (q, q^C)^t$$

$$L_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Psi} \begin{pmatrix} i\gamma \cdot \partial - \Phi & \bar{\Delta} \\ \Delta & i\gamma \cdot \bar{\partial} - \Phi \end{pmatrix} \Psi$$

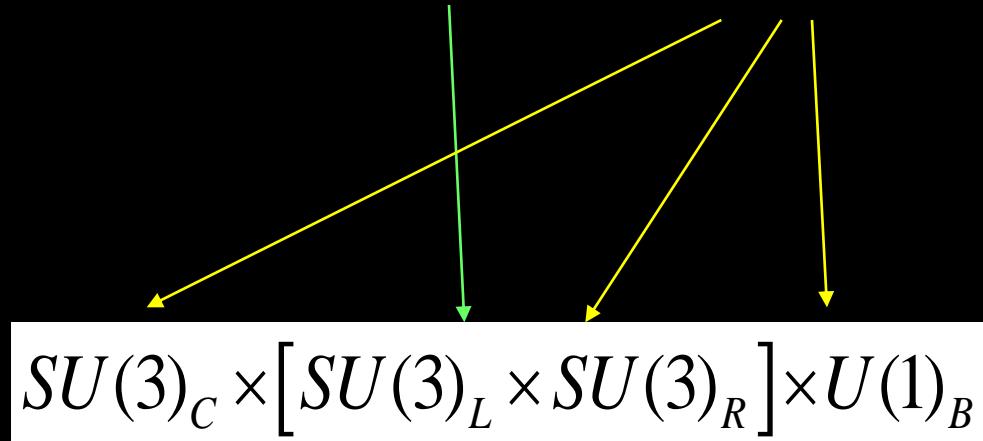
Nambu-Gor'kov  
 = Hartree-Fock-Bogoliubov  
 = Dirac-Majorana

(cond-mat)  
 (nucl-th)  
 (hep-ph)



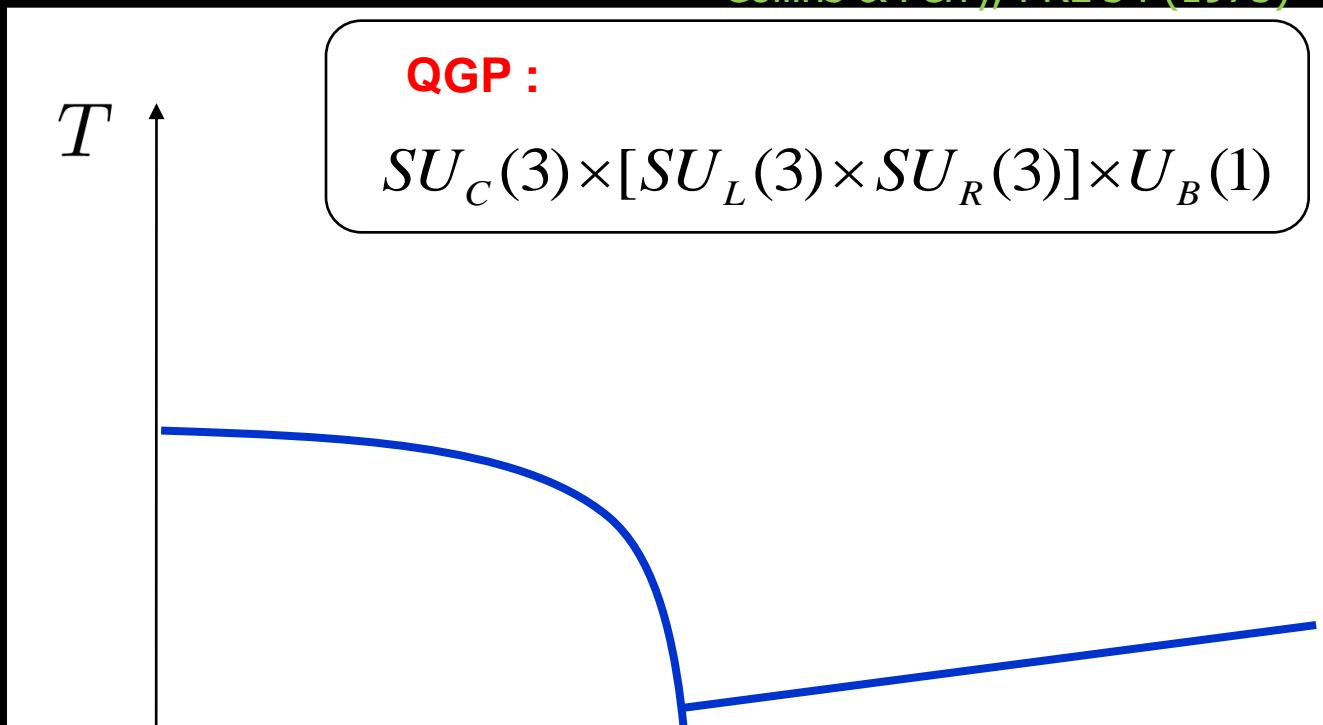
$$\Phi_{ij} \sim \left\langle \bar{q}_j q_i \right\rangle, \quad \Delta_{ij}^{ab} \sim \left\langle q_i^a C q_j^b \right\rangle$$

Dirac mass      Majorana mass



# Symmetry realization in hot/dense QCD (for $m_{u,d,s}=0$ case)

Collins & Perry, PRL 34 (1975)



**QGP :**

$$SU_C(3) \times [SU_L(3) \times SU_R(3)] \times U_B(1)$$

**xSB :**  $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \neq 0$

$$SU_C(3) \times SU_{L+R}(3) \times U_B(1)$$

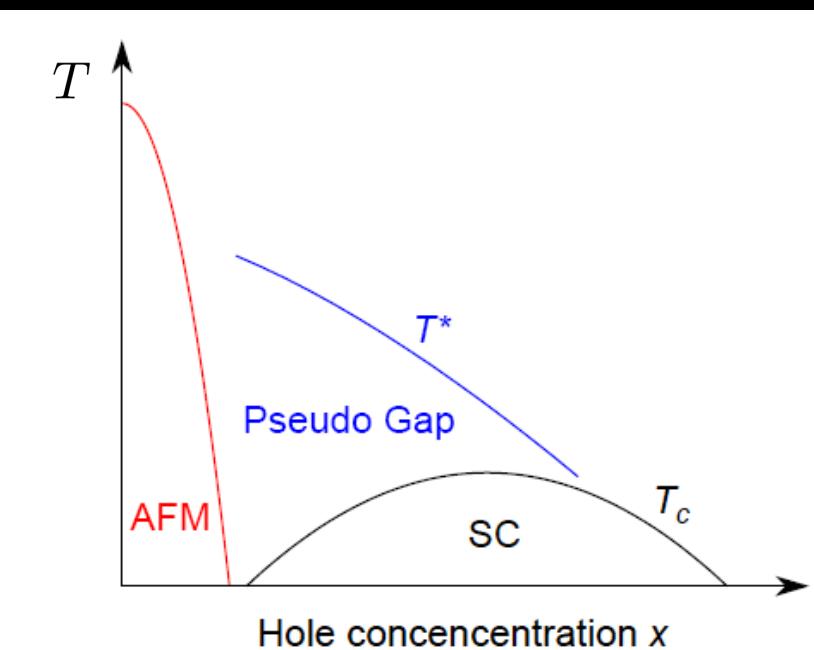
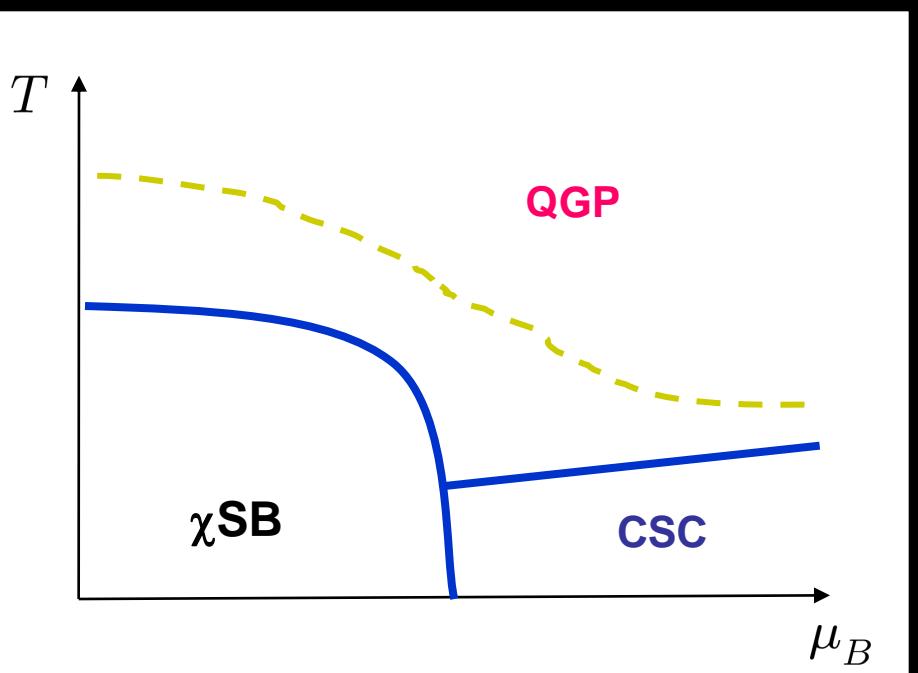
**csc :**  $\langle qq \rangle \neq 0$

$$SU_{C+L+R}(3) \times Z(2)$$

Nambu, PRL 4 (1960)

Alford, Rajagopal &  
Wilczek, NP B537 (1999)

# *QCD and high temperature superconductivity (HTS)*



## Common features in QCD, HTS, and cold atoms

1. Competition between different orders
2. Strong coupling

- Babaev, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A16 ('01)
- Kitazawa, Nemoto, Kunihiro, PTP ('02)
- Abuki, Itakura & Hatsuda, PRD ('02)
- Chen, Stajic, Tan & Levin, Phys. Rep. ('05)
- Baym, Hatsuda, Tachibana & Yamamoto (2008)

## New Critical Point Induced By the Axial Anomaly in Dense QCD

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We study the interplay between chiral and diquark condensates within the framework of the Ginzburg-Landau free energy, and classify possible phase structures of two and three-flavor massless QCD. The QCD axial anomaly acts as an external field applied to the chiral condensate in a color superconductor and leads to a crossover between the broken chiral symmetry and the color superconducting phase, and, in particular, to a new critical point in the QCD phase diagram.

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## Superfluidity and Magnetism in Multicomponent Ultracold Fermions

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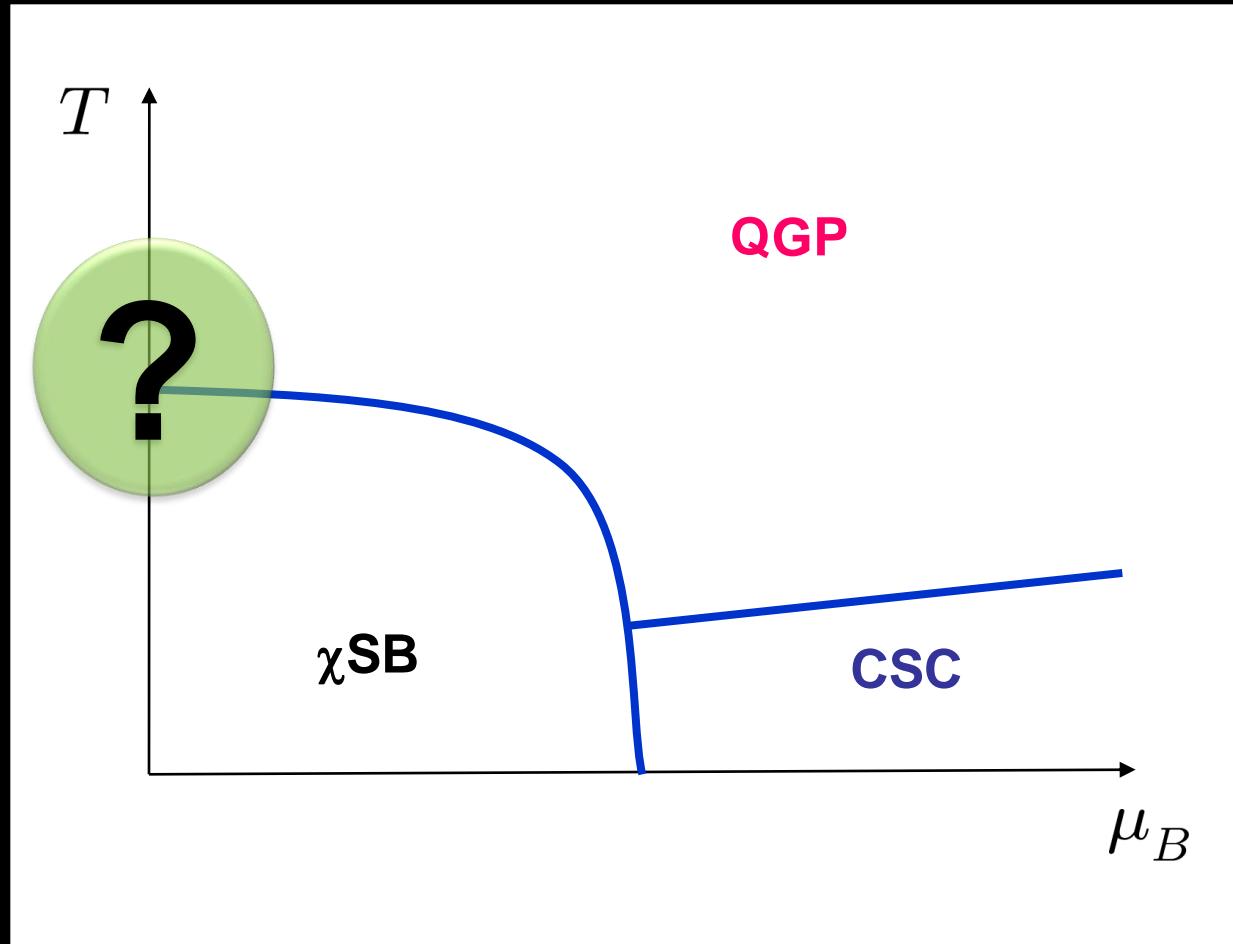
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We study the interplay between superfluidity and magnetism in a multicomponent gas of ultracold fermions. Ward-Takahashi identities constrain possible mean-field states describing order parameters for both pairing and magnetization. The structure of global phase diagrams arises from competition among these states as functions of anisotropies in chemical potential, density, or interactions. They exhibit first and second order phase transition as well as multicritical points, metastability regions, and phase separation. We comment on experimental signatures in ultracold atoms.

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# *Chiral Transition at Finite $T$*



# How to study QCD phase transition ?

Ginzburg-Landau-Wilson (GLW) approach : model independent, analytic

1. Topological structure of the phase diagram
2. Order of the phase transition
3. Critical properties

## Recipe

$$Z = \int [d\sigma] \exp \left( - \int d\mathbf{x} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}(\sigma(\mathbf{x}); K) \right)$$

$\sigma(\mathbf{x})$  : Order parameter field

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla\sigma)^2 + \sum_n a_n(K)\sigma^n$$

Same symmetry with underlying theory  
 $K = \{T, m, \mu, \dots\}$  : External parameters

Ginzburg-Landau = Saddle point approximation  
Wilson = Fluctuations in renormalization group method

## Caution

- Valid for continuous or weak 1<sup>st</sup> order transitions
- Choice of  $\sigma(\mathbf{x})$  is an “art”
- Results should be eventually checked by lattice QCD

## Some examples of GL potential

- 2nd order phase transition

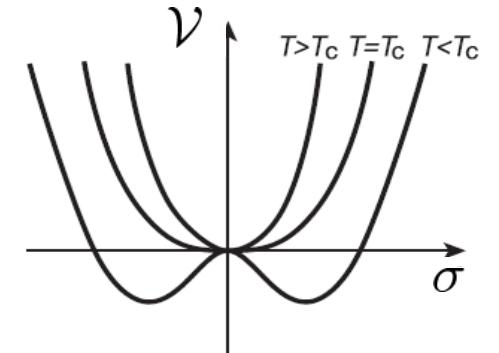
$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{1}{2}a\sigma^2 + \frac{1}{4}b\sigma^4$$

Z(2) Ising model  
N<sub>f</sub>=2 QCD

- 1st order phase transition

$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{1}{2}a\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{3}c\sigma^3 + \frac{1}{4}b\sigma^4$$

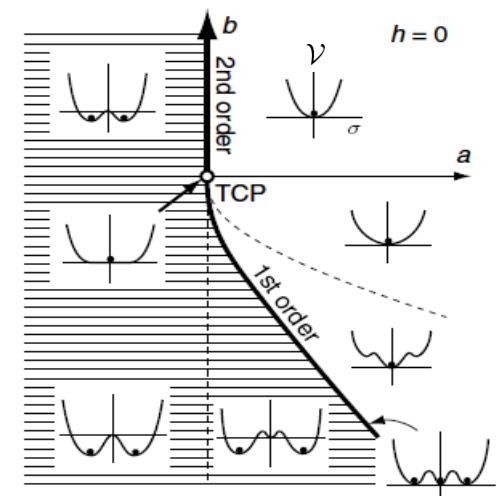
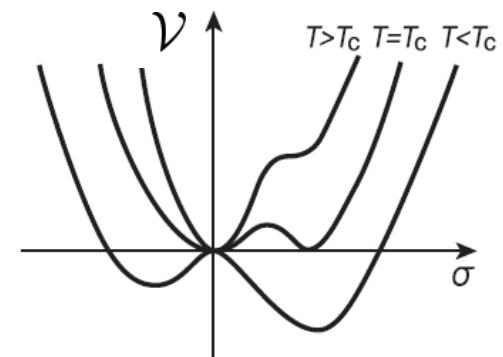
Z(3) Potts model  
N<sub>f</sub>=3 QCD



- Tri-critical behavior

$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{1}{2}a\sigma^2 + \frac{1}{4}b\sigma^4 + \frac{1}{6}c\sigma^6$$

Meta-magnet  
N<sub>f</sub>=2+1 QCD



Symmetry:  $SU(3)_C \times [SU(N_f)_L \times SU(N_f)_R] \times U(1)_B \times \cancel{U(1)_A}$

Chiral field:  $\Phi_{ij} \sim \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j (1 - \gamma_5) q^i = \bar{q}_{\text{R}}^j q_{\text{L}}^i$

Chiral transformation:  $\Phi \rightarrow e^{-2i\alpha_A} V_L \Phi V_R^\dagger$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = & \frac{1}{2} \text{tr } \partial\Phi^\dagger \partial\Phi + \frac{a}{2} \text{tr } \Phi^\dagger \Phi \\ & + \frac{b_1}{4!} (\text{tr } \Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2 + \frac{b_2}{4!} \text{tr } (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2 \\ & - \frac{c}{2} (\det\Phi + \det\Phi^\dagger) \\ & - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr } h(\Phi + \Phi^\dagger). \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{SU}(N_f)_L \times \text{SU}(N_f)_R \times U(1)_A \\ \text{SU}(N_f)_L \times \text{SU}(N_f)_R \\ \text{quark mass term} \end{array} \right\}$$

Axial anomaly

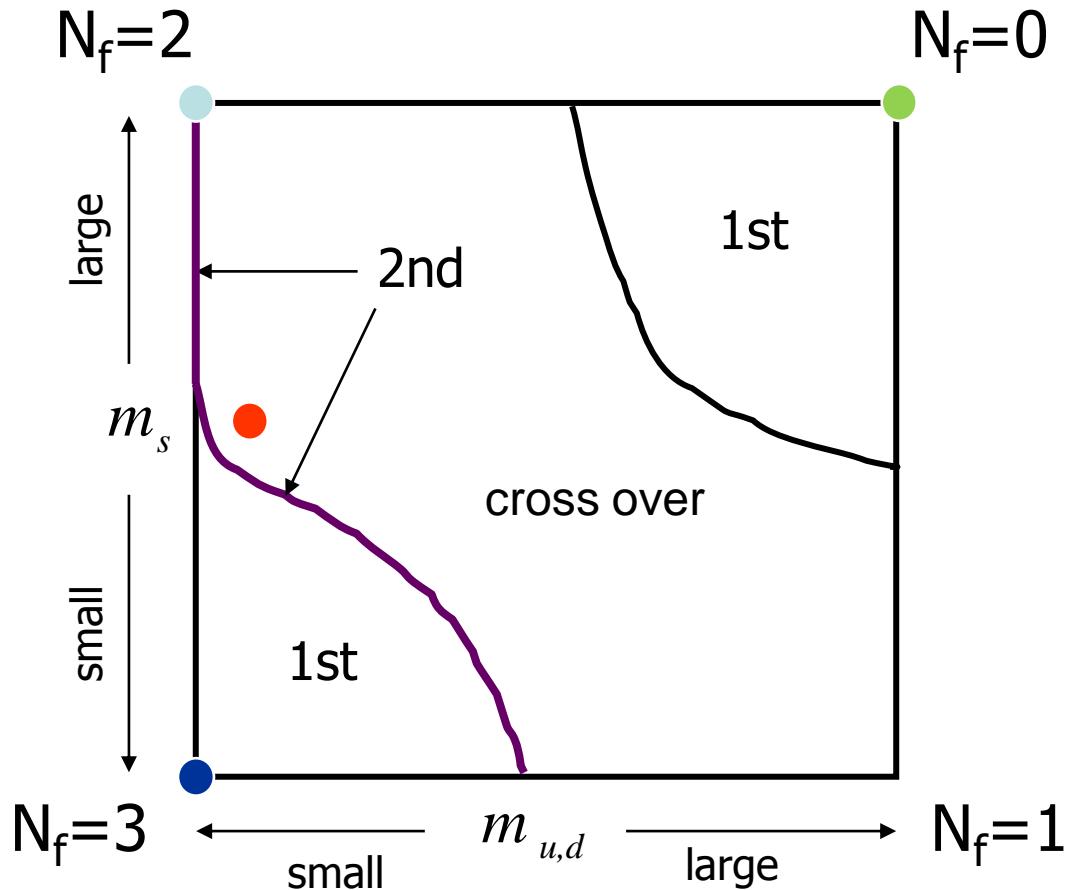
# Order of the thermal QCD transition ( $\mu=0$ )

Svetitsky & Yaffe, NPB210 ('82)

Pisarski and Wilczek, PRD29 ('84)

$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{a}{2}\phi^2 + \frac{b}{4}\phi^4 - h\phi$$

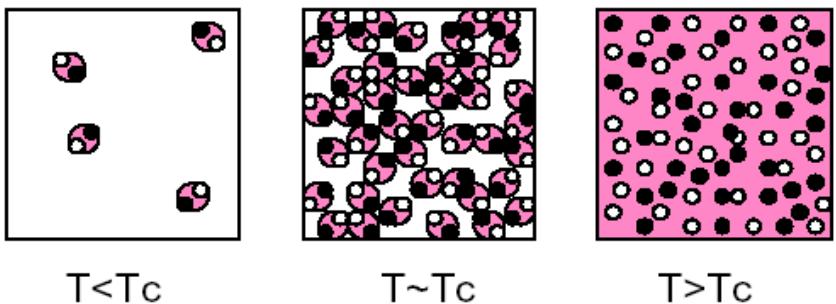
$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{a}{2}L^2 - \frac{c}{3}L^3 + \frac{b}{4}L^4 - hL$$



$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{a}{2}\sigma^2 - \frac{c}{3}\sigma^3 + \frac{b}{4}\sigma^4 - h\sigma$$

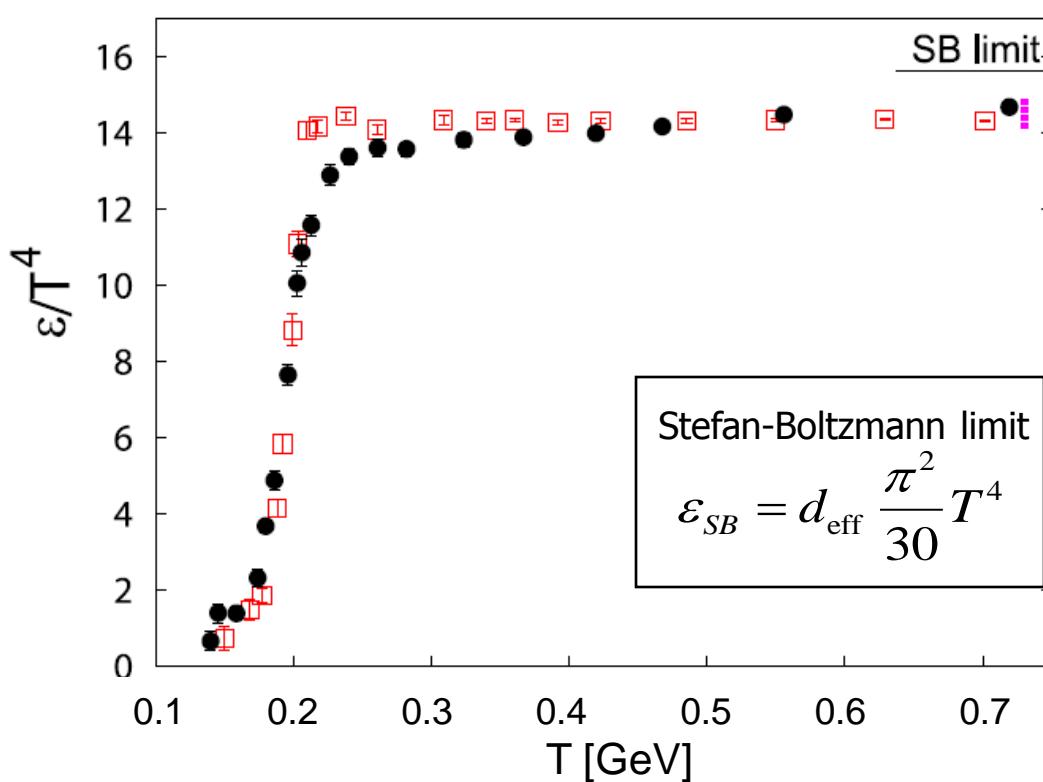
$$\mathcal{V} = -A\chi + \frac{a}{2}\chi^2 + \frac{b}{4}\chi^4$$

# Thermal Transition on the Lattice: (2+1)-flavor, KS fermion, $m_\pi=220$ MeV



## Critical Temperature

$T_c : 150 - 200$  MeV  
 $\sim 10^{12}$  [K]



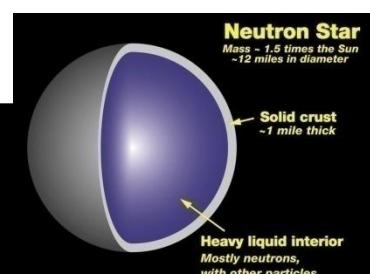
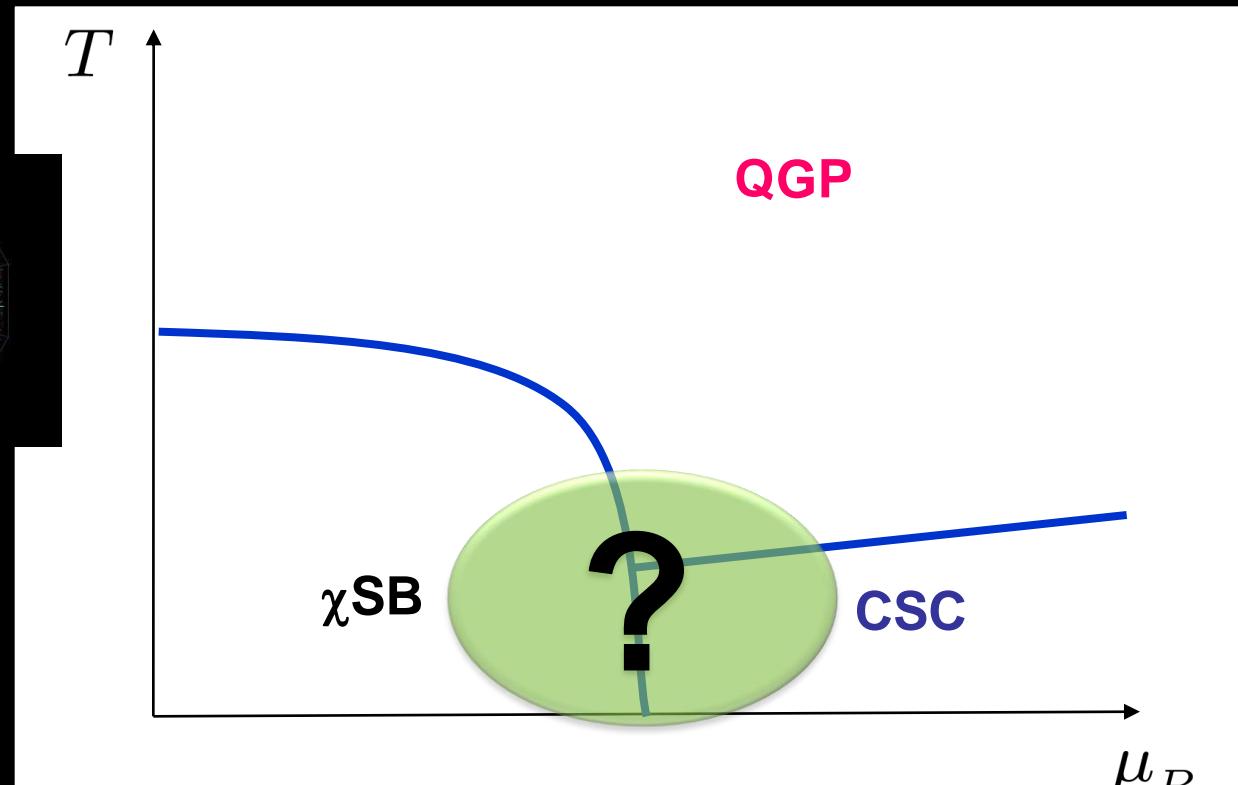
## Critical Energy Density

$\epsilon_c : \sim 2$  GeV/fm<sup>3</sup>  
 $\sim 10 \epsilon_{nm}$

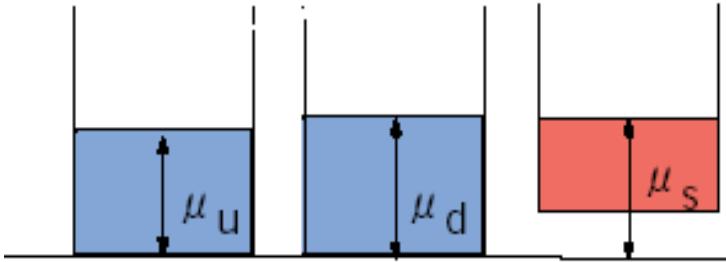
## Order of Phase Transition

2 <sup>nd</sup> order	(u,d; m=0)
1 <sup>st</sup> order	(u,d,s; m=0)
crossover	(real world)

# Chiral-super interplay at finite $\mu$



# Color superconductivity at high density



$$(d_L)_{ia} \sim \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{abc} (q_L)_b^j C (q_L)_c^k$$

$$(d_R)_{ia} \sim \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{abc} (q_R)_b^j C (q_R)_c^k$$

flavor color



## major differences from the standard BCS superconductor

1. Relativistic fermi system  
color-magnetic int. dominant

Son, PRD59 ('99),  
Schafer & Wilczek, PRD60 ('99)  
Pisarski & Rischke, PRD61 ('00)

→  $|d| \sim \varepsilon_F e^{-c/\sqrt{\alpha_s}}$

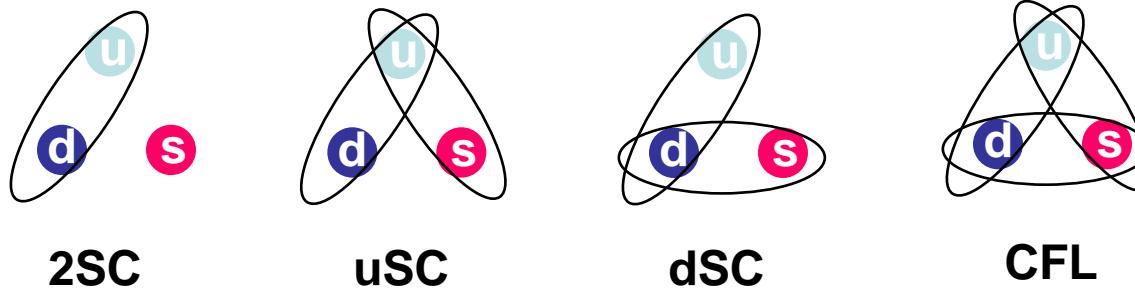
$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{High } T_c : \quad T_c/\varepsilon_F \sim 0.1 \\ \text{Compact pair : } r \sim 1-10 \text{ fm} \end{array} \right.$

2. Color-flavor entanglement

$$d_{ia}$$

→ Various phases (c.f. Ice,  ${}^3\text{He}$ )  
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# *GL analysis for chiral-super interplay in QCD ( $N_f=3$ )*

Symmetry:  $SU(3)_C \times [SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R] \times U(1)_B \times U(1)_A$

## Chiral field:

$$\Phi_{ij} \sim (\bar{q}_R)_a^j (q_L)_a^i$$

$$\Phi \rightarrow e^{-2i\alpha_A} V_L \Phi V_R^\dagger$$

## diquark field:

$$(d_L)_{ia} \sim \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{abc} (q_L)_b^j C (q_L)_c^k$$

$$d_L \rightarrow e^{2i\alpha_A} e^{2i\alpha_B} V_L d_L V_C^\dagger$$

$$\mathcal{V}(\Phi, d) = \mathcal{V}_\chi(\Phi) + \mathcal{V}_d(d_L, d_R) + \mathcal{V}_{\chi d}(\Phi, d_L, d_R)$$

Pisarski & Wilczek,  
PRD29 ('84)

- Iida & Baym, PRD63 ('01)
- Iida, Matsuura, Tachibana  
& TH, PRD71 ('05)

Yamamoto, TH, Tachibana &  
Baym, PRL97 ('06)

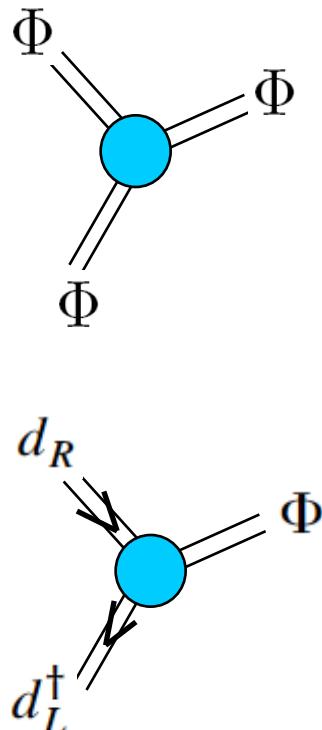
## Complete classification of the GL potential ( $m=0$ )

$$\mathcal{V}_\chi = \frac{a_0}{2} \text{tr } \Phi^\dagger \Phi + \frac{b_1}{4!} (\text{tr } \Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2 + \frac{b_2}{4!} \text{tr } (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2 - \frac{c_0}{2} (\det \Phi + \det \Phi^\dagger),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}_d = & \alpha_0 \text{tr}[d_L d_L^\dagger + d_R d_R^\dagger] \\ & + \beta_1 \left( [\text{tr}(d_L d_L^\dagger)]^2 + [\text{tr}(d_R d_R^\dagger)]^2 \right) \\ & + \beta_2 \left( \text{tr}[(d_L d_L^\dagger)^2] + \text{tr}[(d_R d_R^\dagger)^2] \right) \\ & + \beta_3 \text{tr}[(d_R d_L^\dagger)(d_L d_R^\dagger)] + \beta_4 \text{tr}(d_L d_L^\dagger) \text{tr}(d_R d_R^\dagger) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}_{\chi d} = & \boxed{\gamma_1 \text{tr}[(d_R d_L^\dagger)\Phi + (d_L d_R^\dagger)\Phi^\dagger]} \\ & + \lambda_1 \text{tr}[(d_L d_L^\dagger)\Phi\Phi^\dagger + (d_R d_R^\dagger)\Phi^\dagger\Phi] \\ & + \lambda_2 \text{tr}[d_L d_L^\dagger + d_R d_R^\dagger] \cdot \text{tr}[\Phi^\dagger\Phi] \\ & + \lambda_3 (\det \Phi \cdot \text{tr}[(d_L d_R^\dagger)\Phi^{-1}] + h.c) \end{aligned}$$

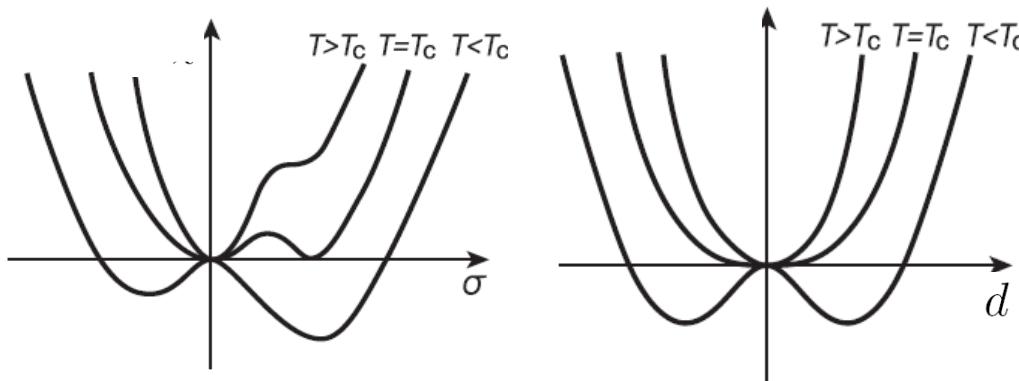
Axial anomaly



## Chiral-CFL interplay in $N_f=3$

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma & & \\ & \sigma & \\ & & \sigma \end{pmatrix} \quad d_L = -d_R = \begin{pmatrix} d & & \\ & d & \\ & & d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{V} = \left( \frac{a}{2}\sigma^2 - \frac{c}{3}\sigma^3 + \frac{b}{4}\sigma^4 \right) + \left( \frac{\alpha}{2}d^2 + \frac{\beta}{4}d^4 \right) - \gamma d^2\sigma + \lambda d^2\sigma^2$$

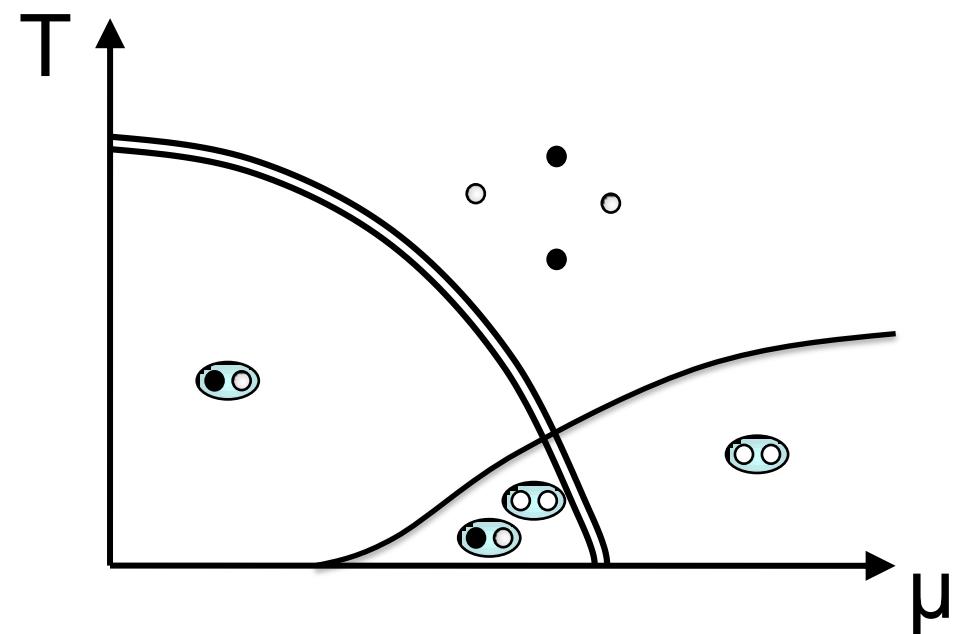
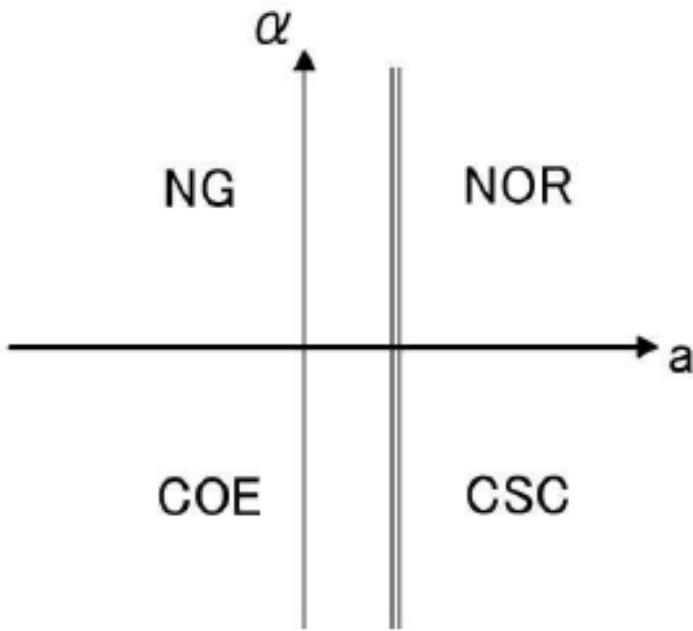


Natural parameter relations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \beta > 0, \ b > 0 \\ \gamma \sim c > 0 \\ 1 \gg \lambda/\beta > 0 \end{array} \right.$$

## phase diagram (without $d\text{-}\sigma$ coupling)

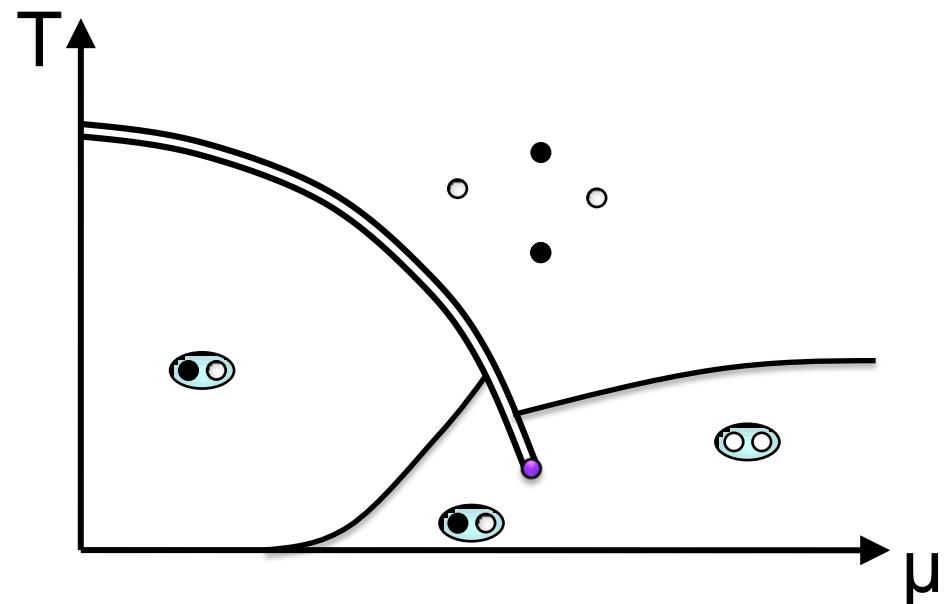
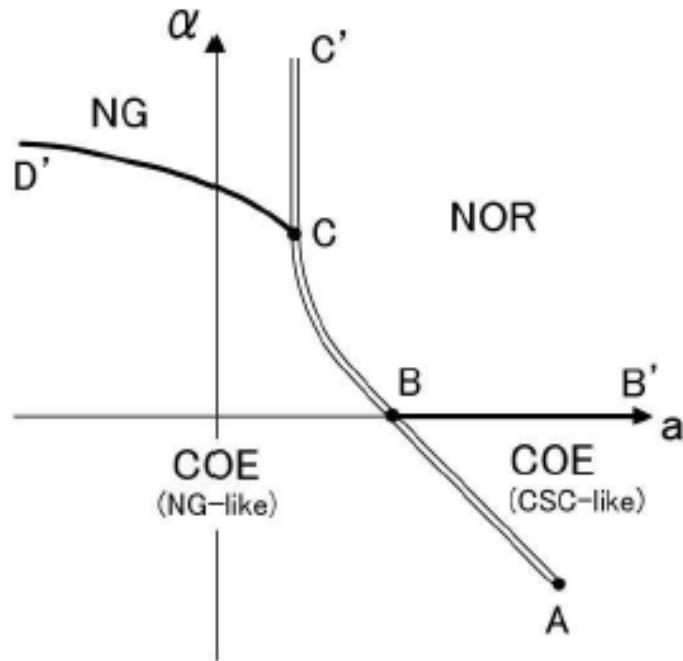
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— : 1<sup>st</sup> order  
— : 2<sup>nd</sup> order

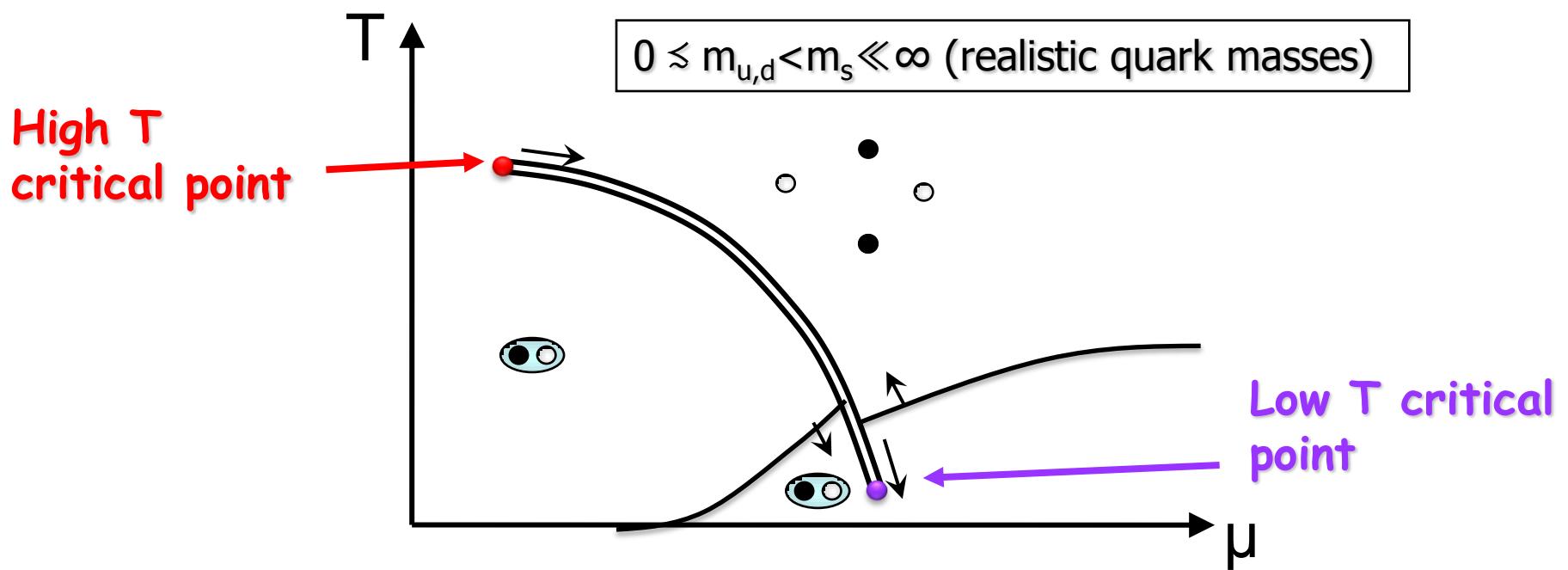
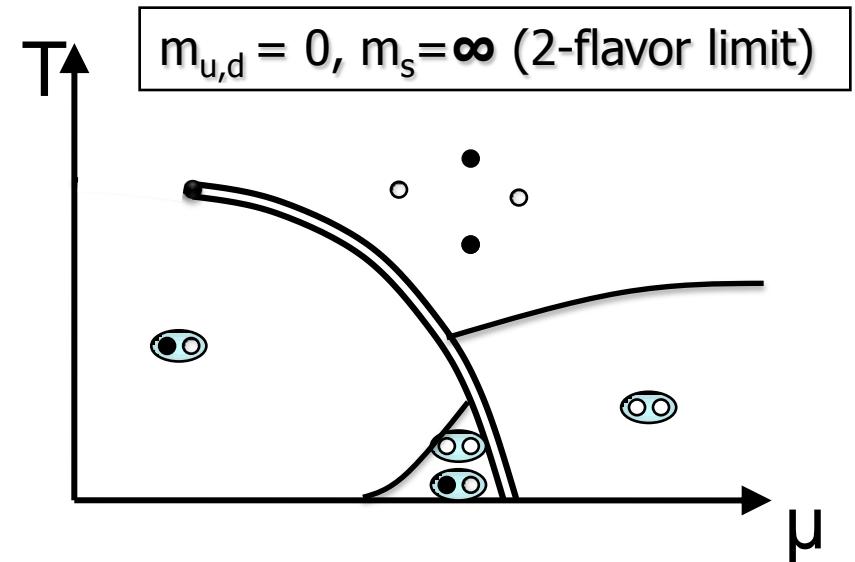
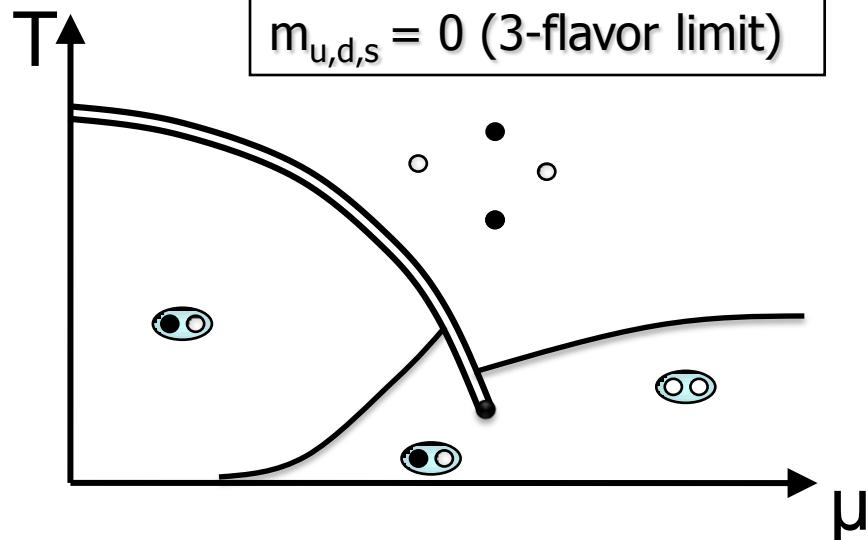
## phase diagram (with $d$ - $\sigma$ coupling)

$$\mathcal{V} = \left( \frac{a}{2}\sigma^2 - \frac{c}{3}\sigma^3 + \frac{b}{4}\sigma^4 \right) + \left( \frac{\alpha}{2}d^2 + \frac{\beta}{4}d^4 \right) - \gamma d^2 \sigma$$



A new critical point driven by the axial anomaly

# Realistic phase diagram in $N_f=2+1$ ?



# Frequently asked questions

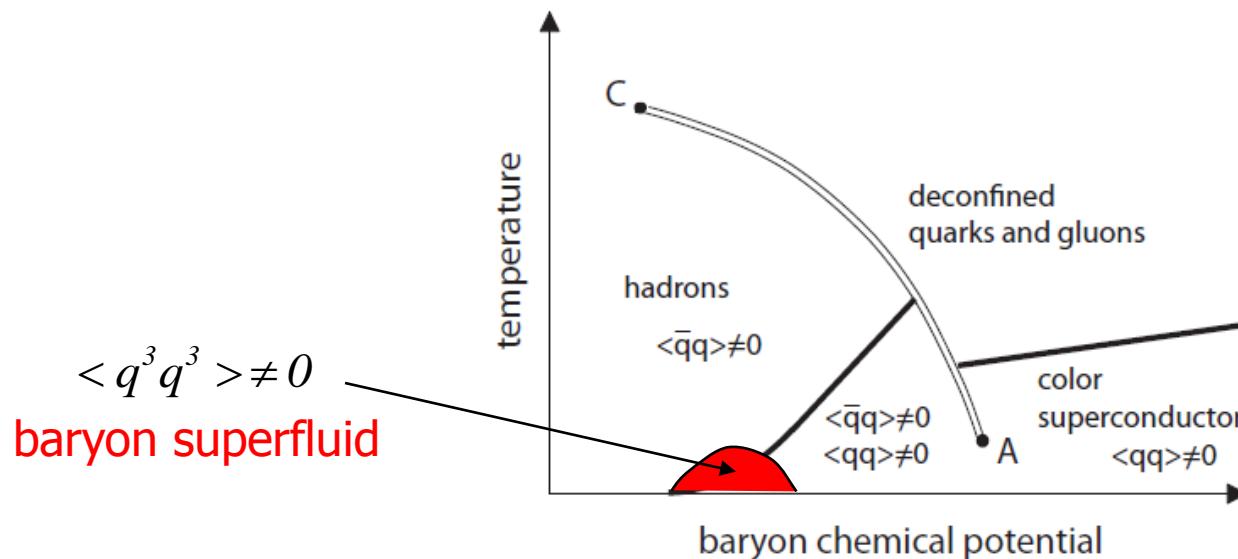
## 1. Location of the new critical point in physical unit ?

- No definite answer at present
- NJL & PNJL model calculation underway

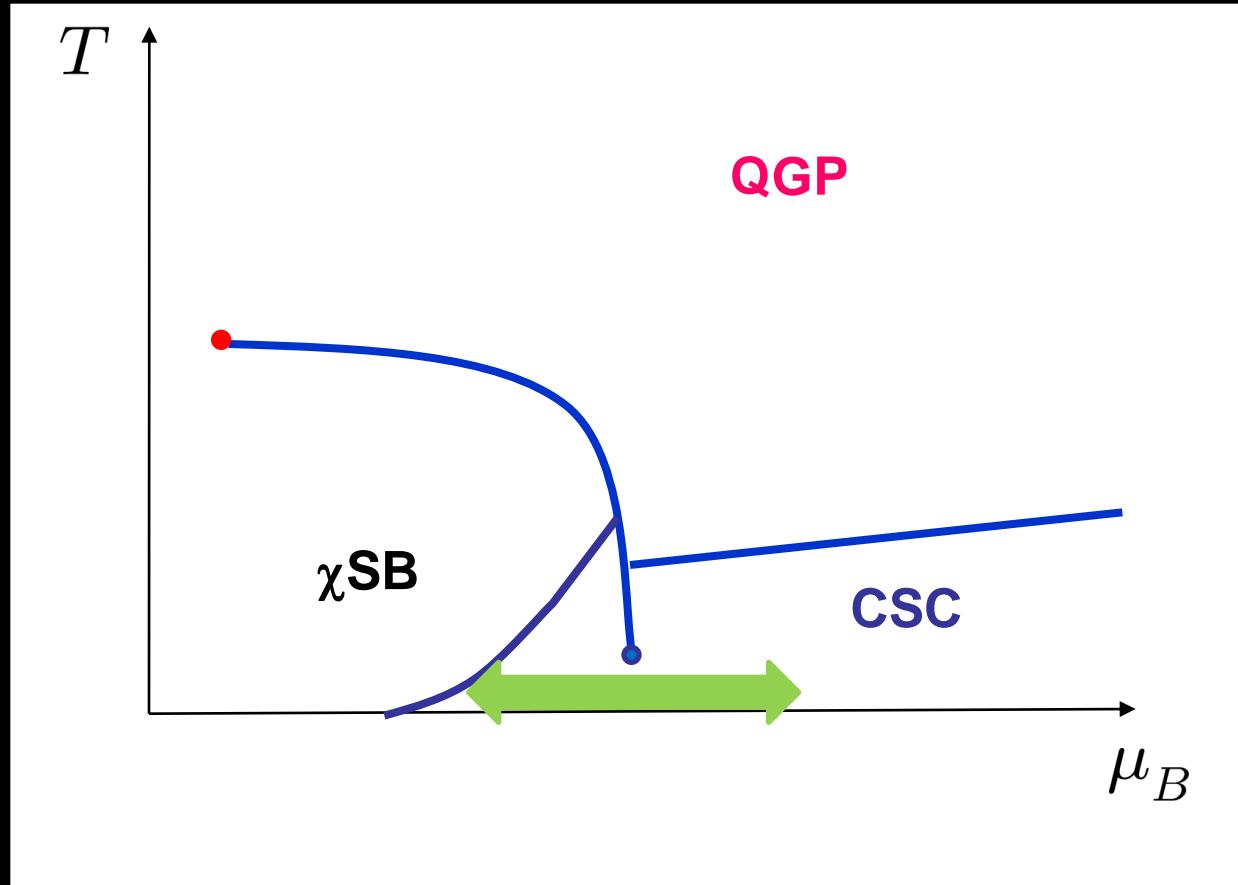
## 2. Connection to baryon superfluidity at low $\mu$ ?

- Mechanism for the crossover from  $\langle q^2 \rangle$  to  $\langle q^3 q^3 \rangle$   
similar to bose-fermi mixture in cold atoms

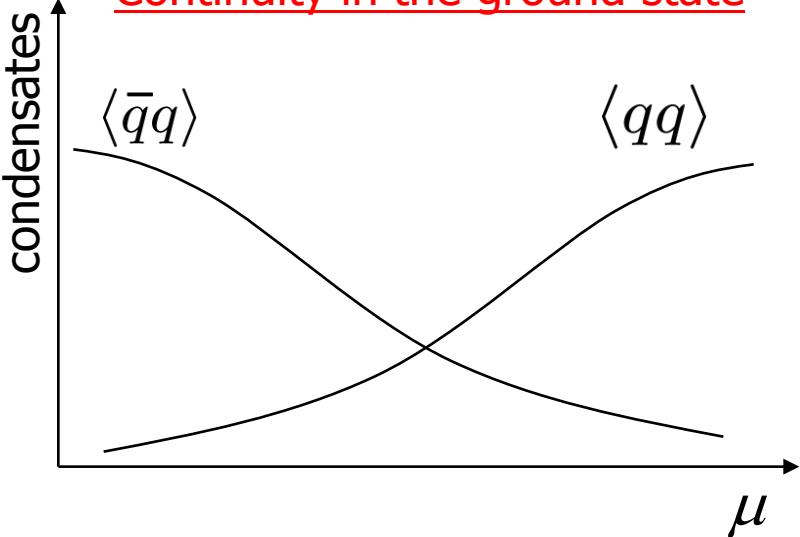
(Maeda, Baym & TH)



# *Spectral continuity at finite $\mu$*



## Continuity in the ground state



## Continuity in the excited state??

excitation	Low $\mu$	High $\mu$
NGs	$\pi(8)$ & H	$\pi'(8)$ & H
Vectors	V (9)	gluons (8)
Fermions	baryons (8)	Quarks (9)

Schafer and Wilczek, PRL 82 (1999)

## Explicit realization of spectral continuity

- Generalized Gell-Mann-Oakes-Renner relation :

$$m_{\tilde{\pi}}^2 \simeq \frac{m_q}{f_\pi^2 + f_{\pi'}^2} [\alpha \langle \bar{q}q \rangle + \beta \langle qq \rangle^2]$$

Yamamoto, Tachibana,  
Baym + T.H., PR D76 ('07)

- Gauge invariant method to show the continuity of vector mesons

In-medium QCD sum rules

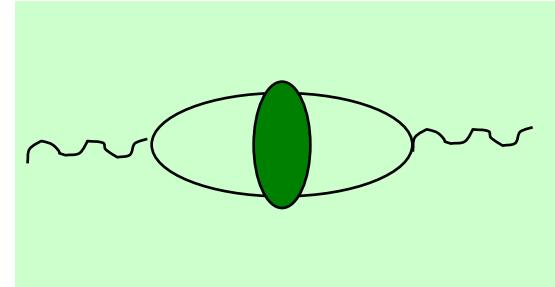
T.H., Tachibana  
and Yamamoto, PRD78 (2008)

## *QCD sum rules in the superconducting medium*

➤ **Vector current:**  $J_\mu^{(8)} = \bar{q}\tau^a\gamma_\mu q$ ,  $J_\mu^{(1)} = \bar{q}\tau^0\gamma_\mu q$

➤ **Current correlation function:**

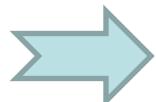
$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}(q) = i \int d^4x e^{iqx} \langle R J_\mu(x) J_\nu(0) \rangle$$



➤ **Operator Product Expansion (OPE) up to  $\mathcal{O}(1/Q^6)$ :**

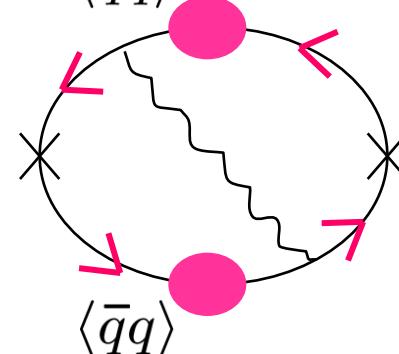
4-quark condensate

$$\langle (\bar{q}\Gamma q)(\bar{q}\Gamma q) \rangle$$



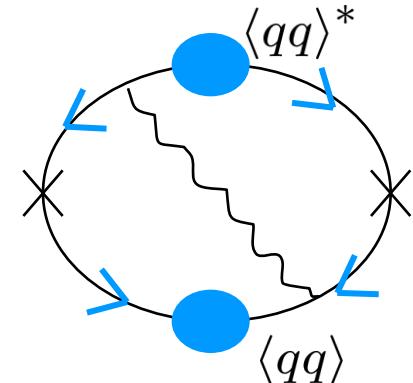
Chiral condensate

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle$$



Diquark condensate

$$\langle qq \rangle^*$$



## *Mass formula from Finite Energy Sum Rules*

At low density:

$$\left(m_V\right)^2 \rightarrow \left(\frac{448\pi^3\alpha_s}{27}\langle\bar{q}q\rangle^2\right)^{1/3}$$

At intermediate density:

$$\left(m_V^{(8)}\right)^2 \simeq \frac{56\pi^3\alpha_s}{81\mu^4} \left(\langle\bar{q}q\rangle^2 + \frac{15}{7}\langle qq\rangle^2\right)$$

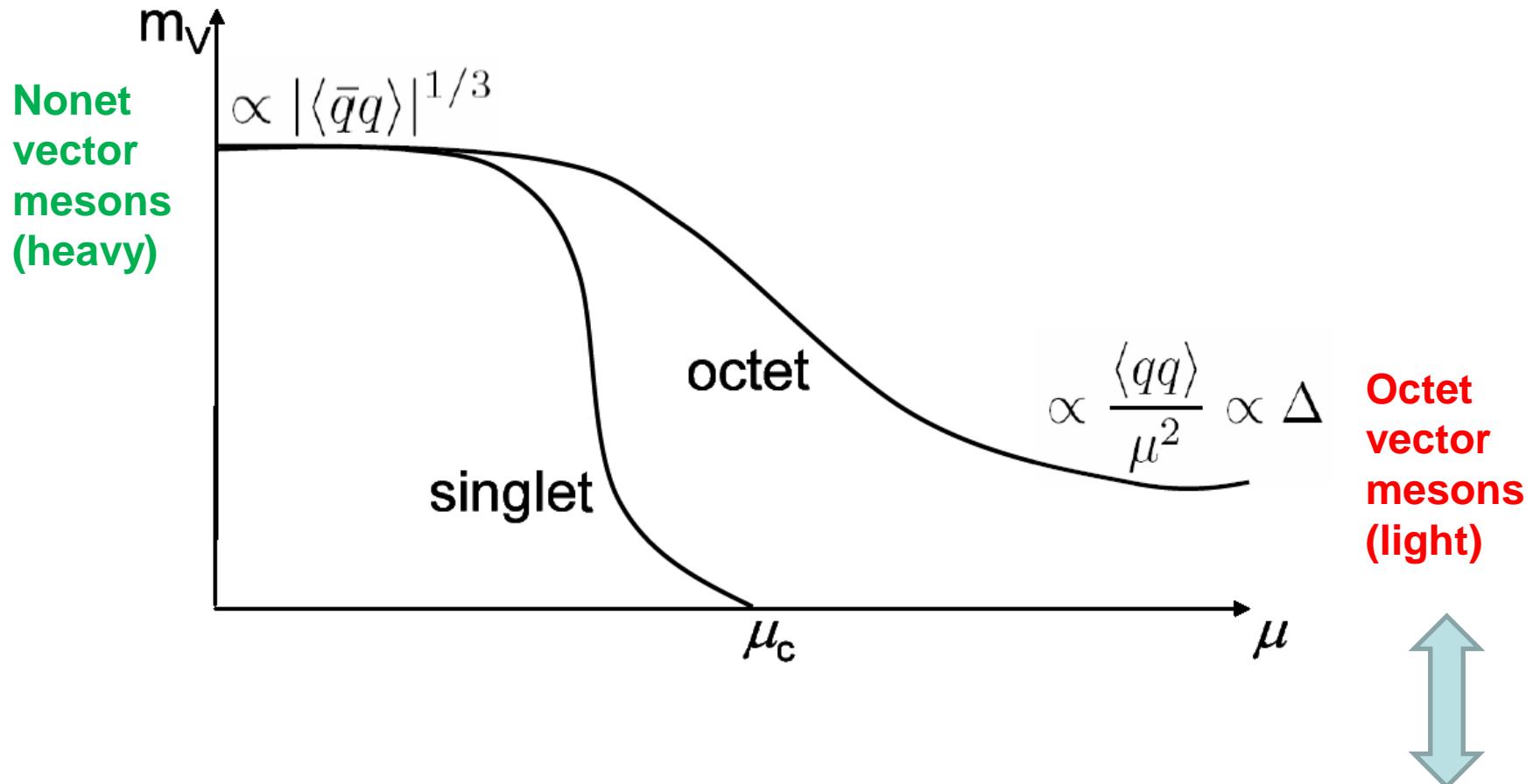
At high density:

$$\left(m_V^{(1)}\right)^2 \simeq \frac{1}{f} \frac{56\pi^3\alpha_s}{81\mu^4} \left(\langle\bar{q}q\rangle^2 - \frac{66}{7}\langle qq\rangle^2\right)$$

$$m_V^{(8)} \rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{20}{3}} \Delta \simeq 2.6\Delta$$

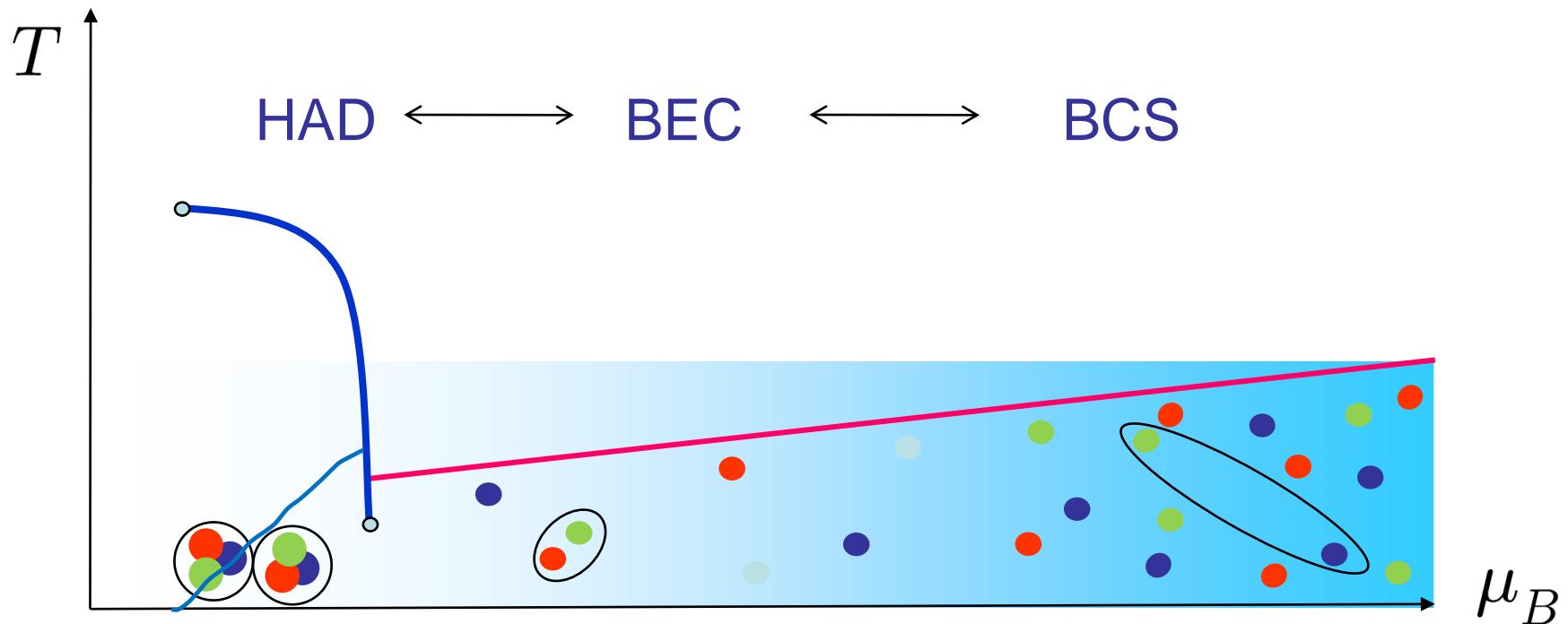
# Spectral continuity of vector mesons

T.H., Tachibana and Yamamoto,  
PRD78 (2008)

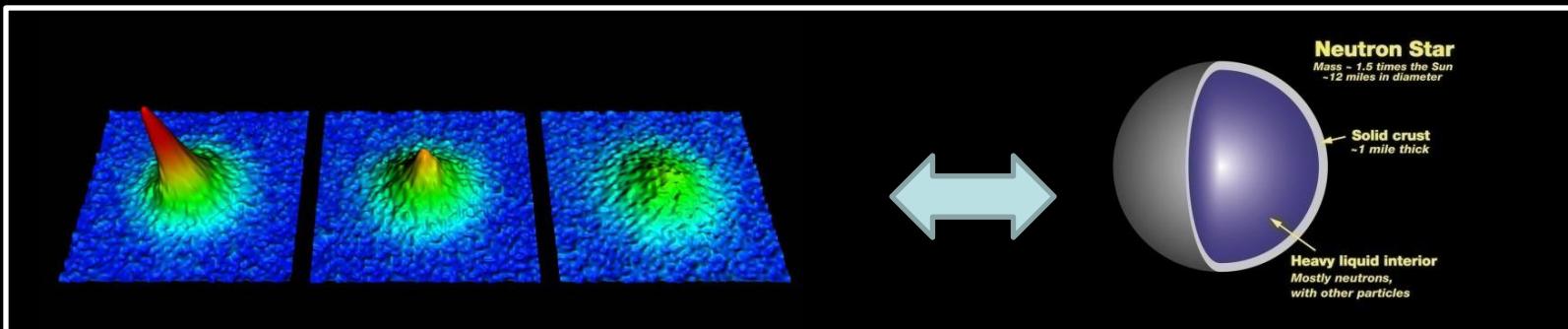


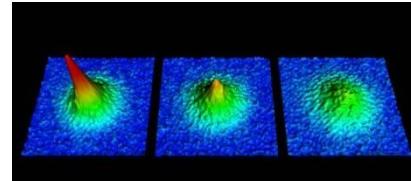
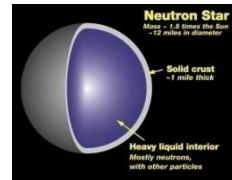
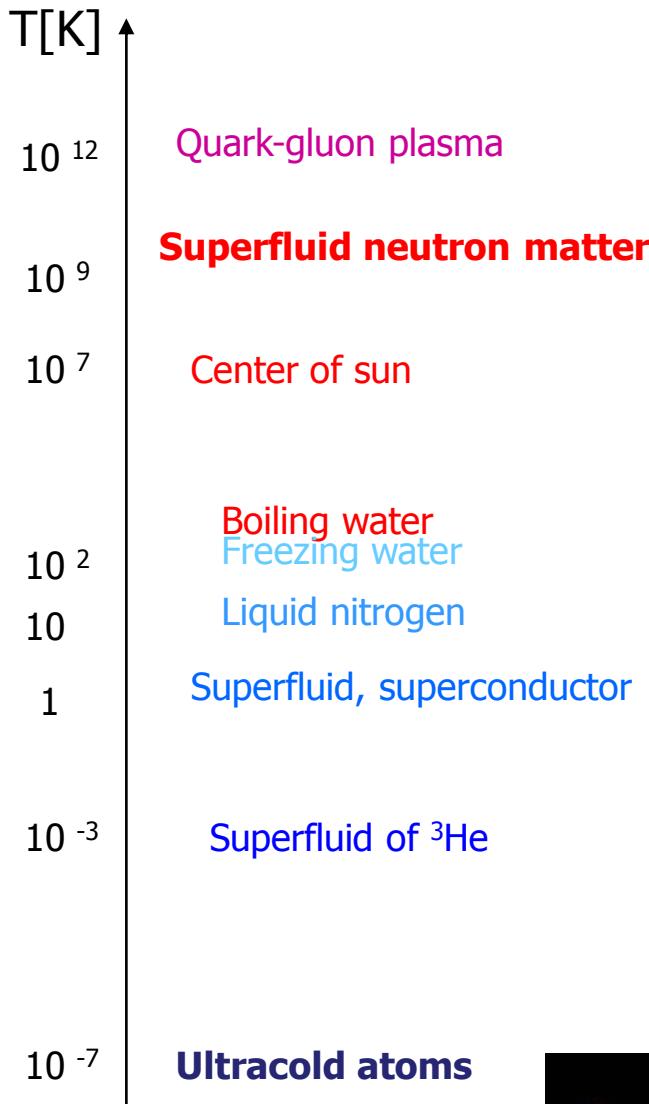
Octet gluons in CFL:  $m_g = 1.362\Delta$   
Gusynin & Shovkovy, NPA700 (2002)  
Malekzadeh & Rischke, PRD73 (2006)

# *UCA/QCD correspondence*



Possibility to simulate BCS-BEC-HAD crossover  
using boson-fermion mixture or fermion with three species in cold atoms ?





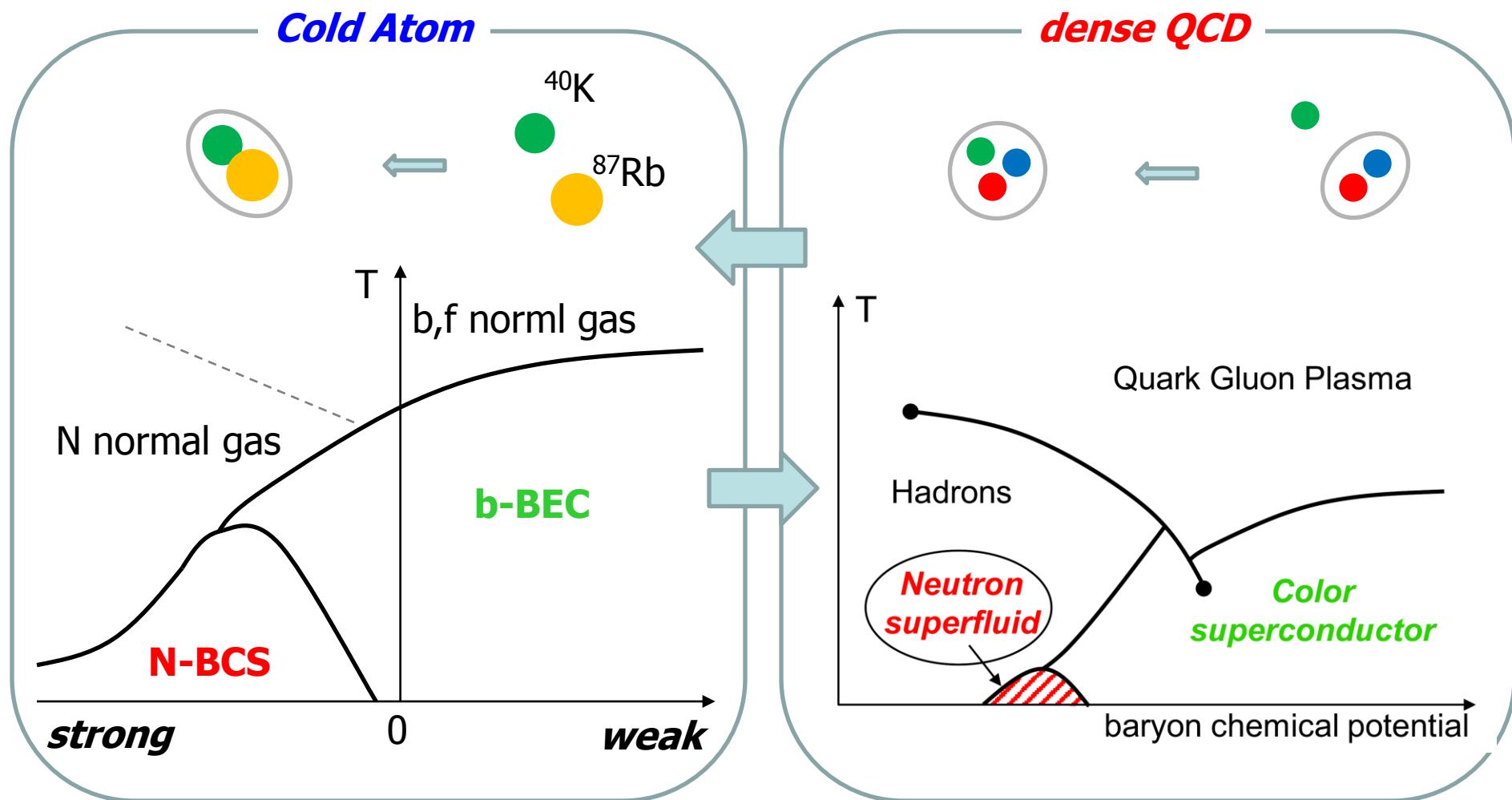
- Ultracold Atoms (UcA)**
- $T \sim 10^{-7}$  K
  - *hyperfine states*  
*magnetically controllable*
  - density  $10^{14} - 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$   
(cf. Air  $\sim 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ )

# Bose-Fermi mixture in Ultracold Atoms and Dense QCD

-- Induced superfluidity of composite-fermions --

$$a_{NN}^{\text{Born}} = -\frac{m_N}{2m_R} a_{bf}$$

Maeda, Baym & Hatsuda ('09)



# Phases of attractively interacting boson-fermion mixtures

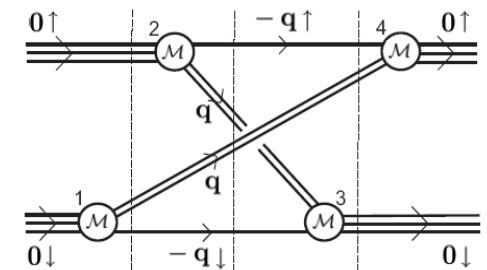
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We study a many-body mixture of an equal number of bosons (b) and fermions (f) in two hyperfine states, and having a tunable boson-fermion (b-f) attraction. For weak b-f attraction, the system is a mixture of a Bose condensate and degenerate fermions interacting through density fluctuations, while for strong b-f attraction, the system forms degenerate composite fermions,  $N=(bf)$ , which are superfluid due to the N-N attraction in the spin singlet channel. We delineate the possible phase structure of the mixture and its symmetry breaking pattern at finite temperature as a function of the b-f coupling strength. The relevance of the results to cold atomic systems and the dense quark matter is also discussed.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H} = & \frac{1}{2m_b} \nabla \phi^*(x) \cdot \nabla \phi(x) - \mu_b \phi^*(x) \phi(x) + \frac{1}{2} g_{bb} |\phi(x)|^4 \\ & + \frac{1}{2m_f} \nabla \psi_\sigma^\dagger(x) \cdot \nabla \psi_\sigma(x) - \mu_f \psi_\sigma^\dagger(x) \psi_\sigma(x) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} g_{ff} \psi_\sigma^\dagger(x) \psi_\sigma(x) \psi_{-\sigma}^\dagger(x) \psi_{-\sigma}(x) \\ & + g_{bf} |\phi(x)|^2 \psi_\sigma^\dagger(x) \psi_\sigma(x) . \end{aligned}$$



$$a_{NN}^{\text{Born}} = \frac{m_N}{4\pi} T_N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}) = -\frac{m_N}{2m_R} a_{bf} .$$

$$T_c(\text{N-BCS}) = \frac{\gamma}{\pi} \left( \frac{2}{e} \right)^{7/3} \varepsilon_N \exp \left( \frac{\pi}{2k_F a_{NN}} \right) .$$

## Hierarchical spontaneous symmetry breaking

Y. Nambu, *Masses as a problem and as a clue*, May 2004

*The BCS mechanism is most relevant to the mass problem because it introduces an energy (mass) gap for fermions, and the Goldstone and Higgs modes as low-lying bosonic states. An interesting feature of the SSB is the possibility of hierarchical SSB or “tumbling”. Namely an SSB can be a cause for another SSB at lower energy scale.*

*... [examples are]*

- 1. the chain crystal–phonon–superconductivity. ... Its NG mode is the phonon which then induces the Cooper pairing of electrons to cause superconductivity.*
- 2. the chain QCD–chiral SSB of quarks and hadrons– $\pi$  and  $\sigma$  mesons–nuclei formation and nucleon pairing–nuclear  $\pi$  and  $\sigma$  modes–nuclear collective modes.*

### 1. QCD phase structure

- Three major phases in QCD: *xSB*, *QGP* and *CSC*
- Axial anomaly plays crucial roles everywhere
- Close similarity with high  $T_c$  supercond. & multi-comp. cold atoms

### 2. Chiral-super interplay driven by axial anomaly

- A new critical point at low  $T$  and high  $\mu$
- Continuity of *xSB* phase and *CSC* phase

### 3. Spectral continuity in high density QCD

- Pions are pions.
- Vector mesons are gluons.

### 4. Future

- Real location of the new critical point ?
- How to detect critical lines and points in lab. experiment ?
- Tabletop simulations of high density QCD using cold atoms ?

