

# Four-dimensional QCD equation of state at finite chemical potentials

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# Introduction

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- Exploring the QCD Phase diagram

QCD has a rich phase structure depending on the temperature and chemical potentials

Quark-gluon plasma (QGP) phase



(Critical point)

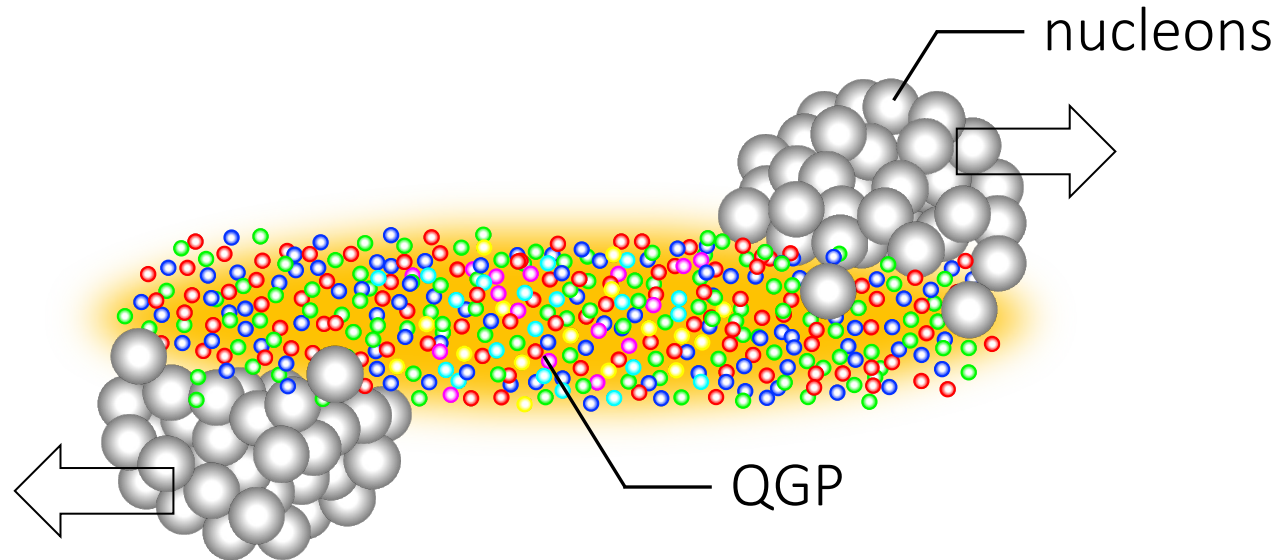
Hadronic phase

(Color superconductor)

# Introduction

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- How to make the **quark-gluon plasma** (QGP)



The QGP can be created in nuclear collisions at relativistic energies

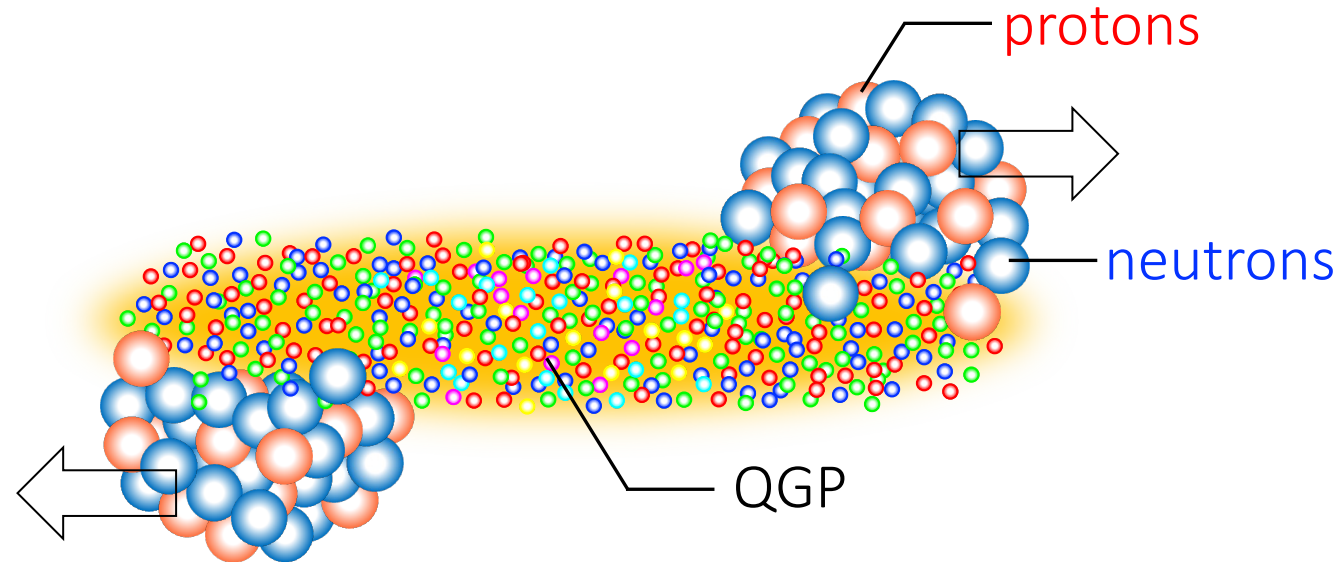
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- A more precise view of nuclear collisions



Protons and neutrons should be distinguished for precision analyses

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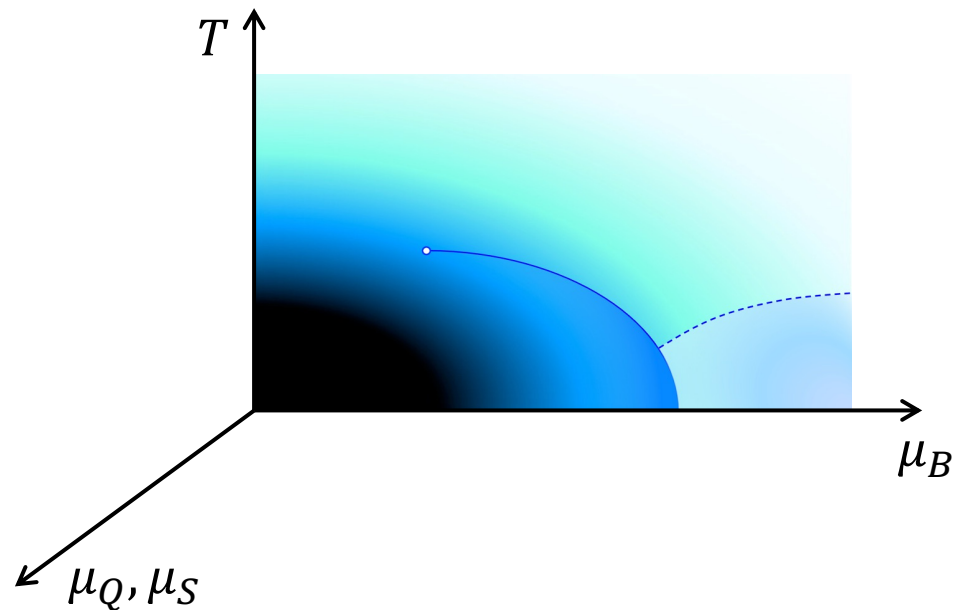


# Nuclear collisions

## ■ Conserved charges

The QGP in nuclear collisions are made of light quarks (u, d, s) ( $T \sim 200$  MeV)

**Baryon (B)** **Electric charge (Q)** **Strangeness (S)** are conserved



The QCD phase diagram has to be extended to 4 dimensions

$T$ : Temperature

$\mu_B$ : Baryon chemical potential

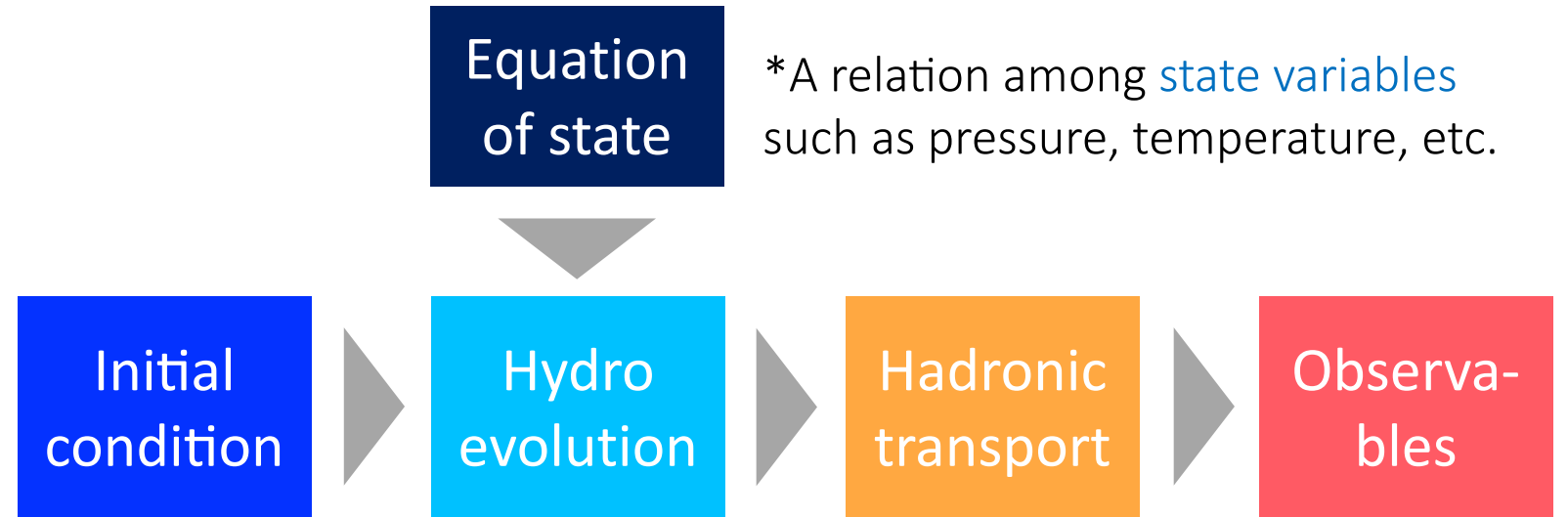
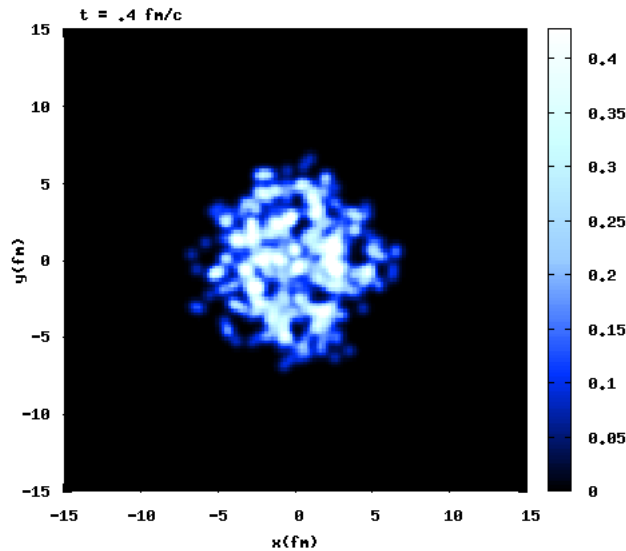
$\mu_Q$ : Charge chemical potential

$\mu_S$ : Strangeness chemical potential



# Nuclear collisions

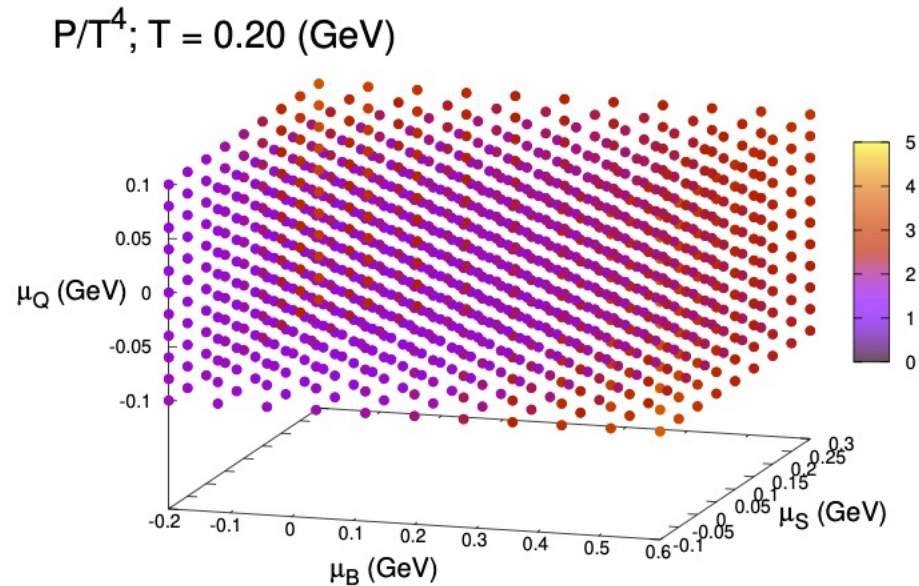
## ■ Relativistic hydrodynamic model



We construct a 4-dimensional QCD equation of state at finite chemical potentials for nuclear collisions

# NEOS-4D

- A Lattice QCD-based equation of state model



- It has **B**, **Q**, **S** charges without constraint, *i.e.*, it is fully 4-dimensional
- Generalization of NEOS BQS, which is tuned to  $n_Q = 0.4 n_B, n_S = 0$  for heavy nuclei ( $^{197}\text{Au}, ^{208}\text{Pb}$ , etc.) [Phys. Rev. C 100, 024907 \(2019\)](#)
- Protons and neutrons can be distinguished

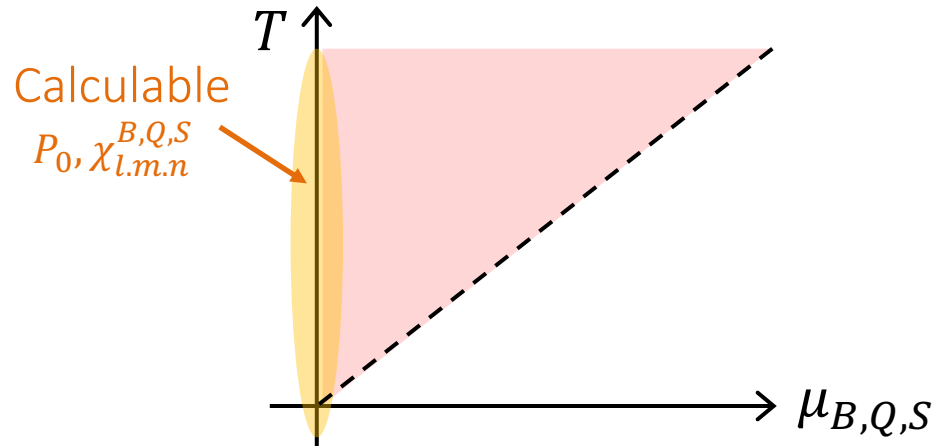
Another approach to the 4D EoS: C. Plumberg et al., arXiv:2405.09648 [nucl-th]

# Construction

- QGP phase: Taylor expansion method of Lattice QCD

$$\frac{P_{\text{lat}}}{T^4} = \frac{P_0}{T^4} + \sum_{l,m,n} \frac{\chi_{l,m,n}^{B,Q,S}}{l! m! n!} \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^l \left(\frac{\mu_Q}{T}\right)^m \left(\frac{\mu_S}{T}\right)^n$$

HotQCD Collaboration, PRD 86, 034509 (2012);  
PRD 90, 094503 (2014); PRD 92, 074043 (2015);  
PRD 95, 054504 (2017)



Pro: Ab initio calculation

Con: not reliable when  $\frac{\mu}{T}$  is too large

- Susceptibilities up to the 4<sup>th</sup> order from Lattice QCD
- $\chi_6^B, \chi_{5,1}^{B,Q}, \chi_{5,1}^{B,S}$  parametrized as required by thermodynamic conditions



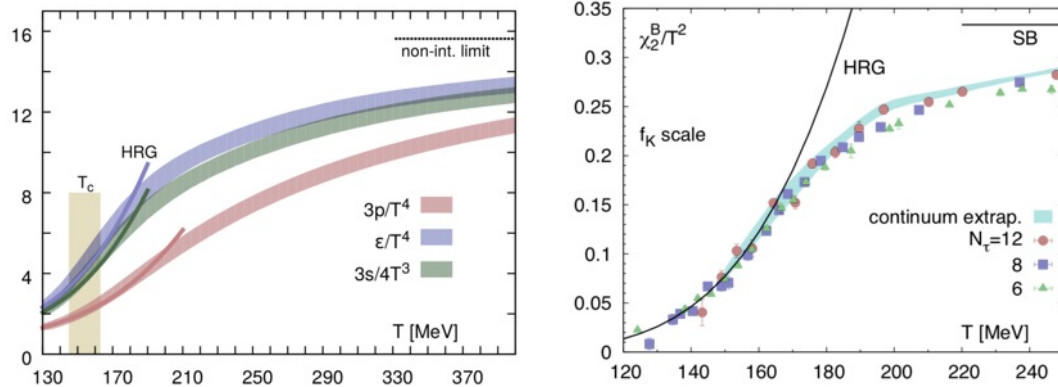
# Construction

- Hadronic phase: [Hadron resonance gas model](#)

$$P_{\text{had}} = \pm T \sum_i \frac{g_i d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln[1 \pm e^{-(E_i - \mu_i)/T}]$$

Particle Data Group: PRD 98, 030001 (2018)

- Hadrons and resonances with u, d, s components with the mass below 2 GeV are used

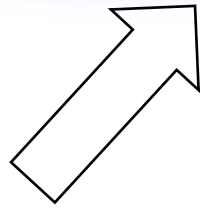


Pro: Consistent with Lattice QCD  
 Con: Describes only the hadronic phase

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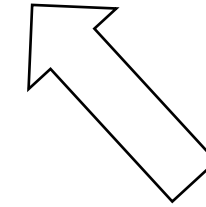
- The crossover-type EoS is obtained by smoothly connect the two EoS

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \tanh \frac{T - T_c}{\Delta T_c} \right) P_{\text{had}} + \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \tanh \frac{T - T_c}{\Delta T_c} \right) P_{\text{lat}}$$



Hadron resonance gas model

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Lattice QCD with Taylor expansion

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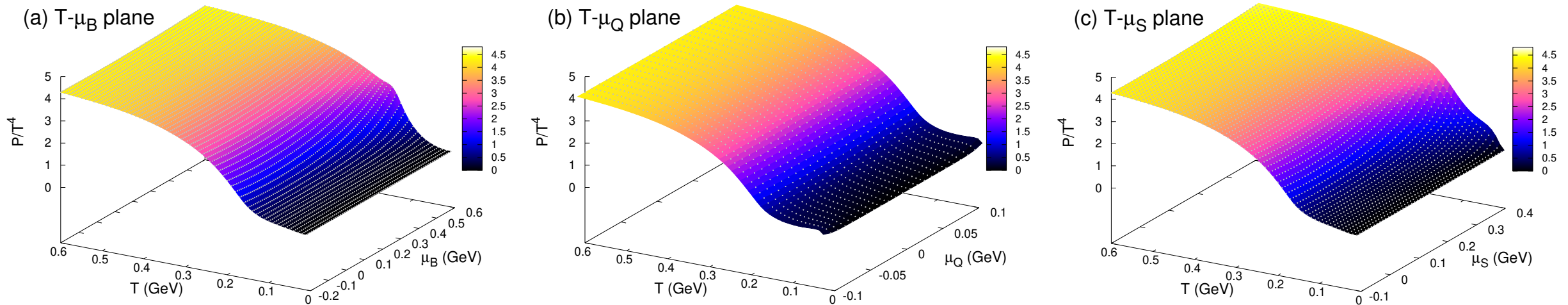
$$\left( T_c(\mu_B) = 0.16 - 0.4(0.139\mu_B^2 + 0.053\mu_B^4) \text{ GeV}, \quad \Delta T_c = 0.1T_c(0) \quad \text{J. Cleymans et. al., PRC 73, 034905 (2006)} \right)$$

# Numerical results

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# Results

## ■ Pressure



The dimensionless pressure on 2D slices of the temperature and chemical potentials in the 4D phase space

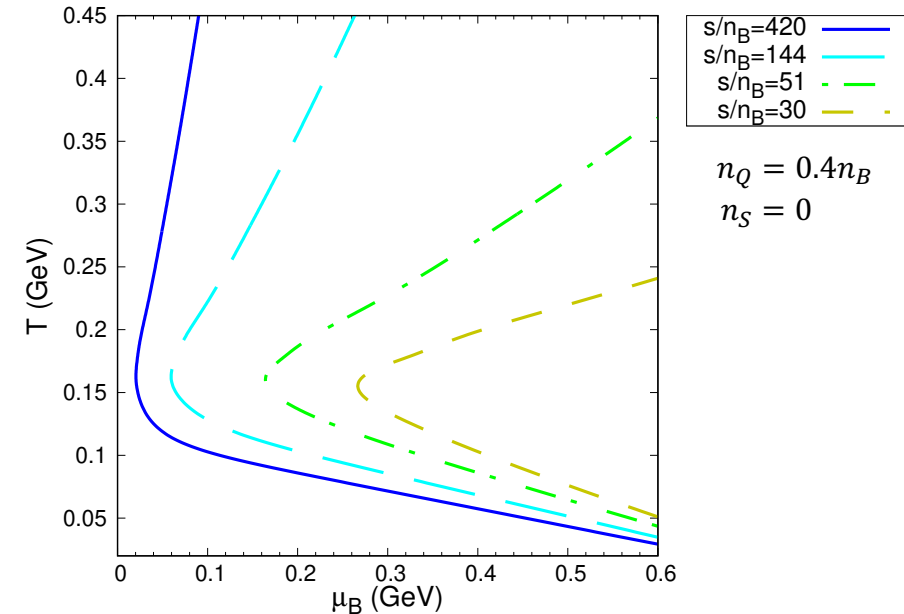
# Phase diagram

## ■ Regions explored in nuclear collisions

$s/n_B$  is constant when **entropy** and **net baryon number** are conserved

$s/n_B = 420$		$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$
$s/n_B = 144$		$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 62.4 \text{ GeV}$
$s/n_B = 51$		$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 19.6 \text{ GeV}$
$s/n_B = 30$		$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 14.5 \text{ GeV}$

J. Gunther et. al., Nucl. Phys. A 967, 720 (2017)

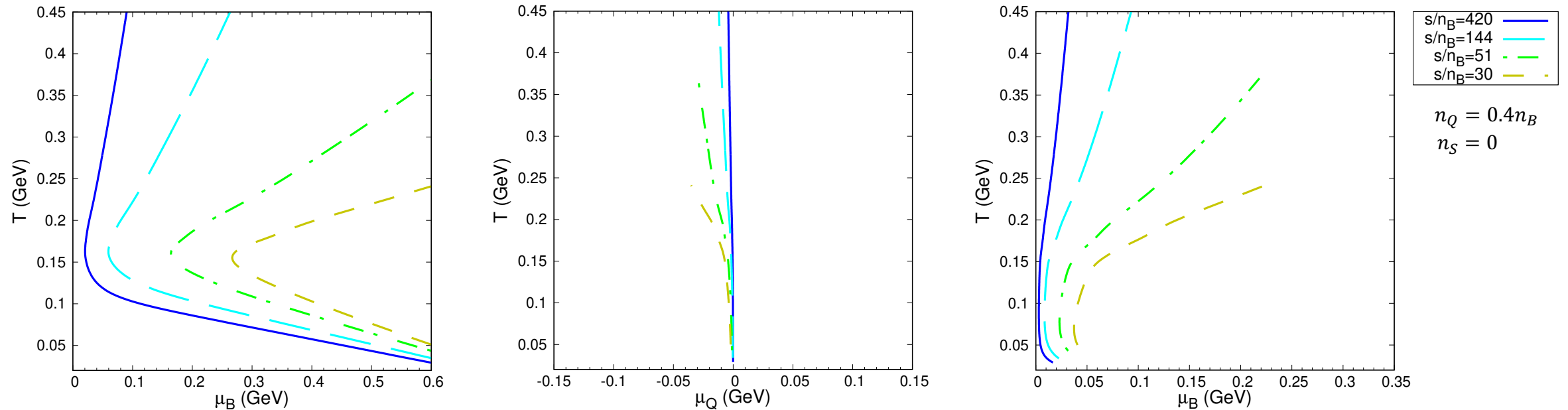


The QGP phase has straight lines because  $s/n_B \approx T/\mu_B$

Larger  $\mu_B$  is required in hadronic phase because protons are heavy

# Results

## ■ Trajectories in the phase diagram

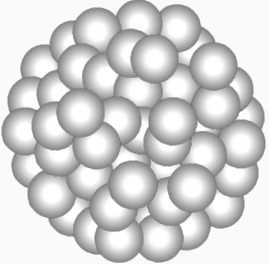


The estimated region explored in nuclear collisions is narrow in  $\mu_Q$  with the “nucleon” approximation of  $n_Q/n_B = 0.4$

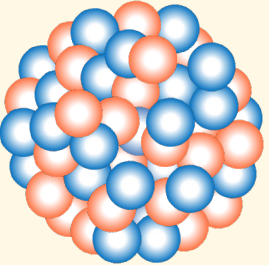
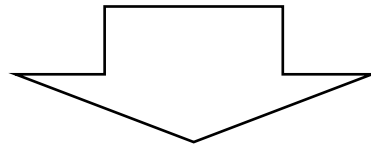


# Nuclear collisions

- The charge-to-baryon ratio in nuclear collisions



$\frac{n_Q}{n_B} \approx 0.4$  on average for heavy nuclei ( $^{197}\text{Au}$ ,  $^{208}\text{Pb}$ ) and  $n_S = 0$

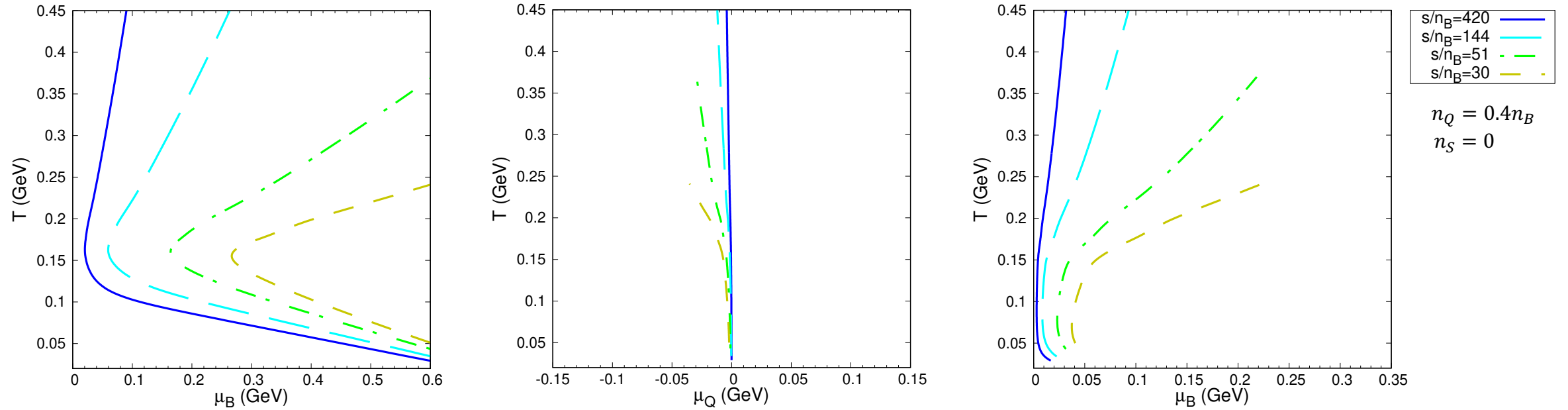


$\frac{n_Q}{n_B} = 1$  in proton-rich regions and  $\frac{n_Q}{n_B} = 0$  in neutron-rich regions

⚠ Additional dynamics (e.g. fluctuation, diffusion) can lead to  $\frac{n_Q}{n_B} > 1$  or  $\frac{n_Q}{n_B} < 0$

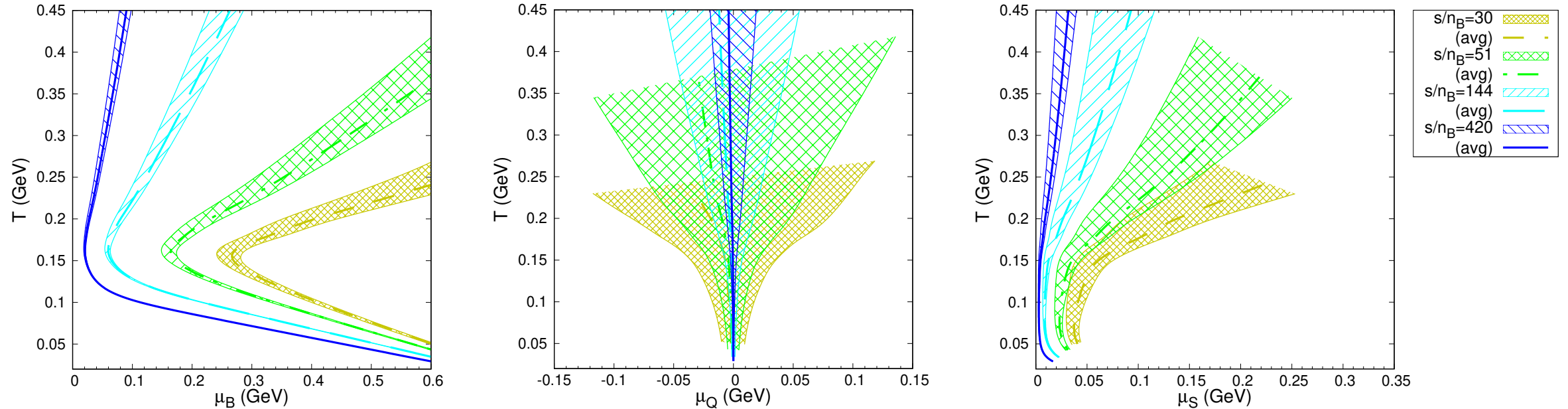
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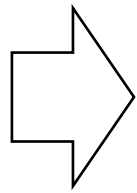


Bands denote the regions between  $n_Q/n_B = 1$  and 0; Wide regions of the phase diagram will be explored in colliders

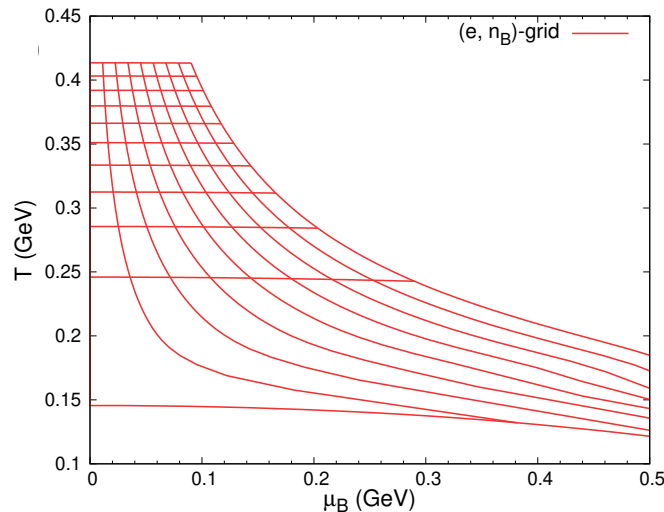
# Application to hydrodynamic model

- Hydrodynamic model require  $P, T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S$  as functions of  $e, n_B, n_Q, n_S$

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0, \quad \partial_\mu N_B^\mu = 0, \quad \partial_\mu N_Q^\mu = 0, \quad \partial_\mu N_S^\mu = 0$$



One often prepares **pre-calculated tables of the EoS** for efficient numerical simulations



However, a grid with equal spacing in  $e, n_B, n_Q, n_S$  results in a warped grid in  $T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S$

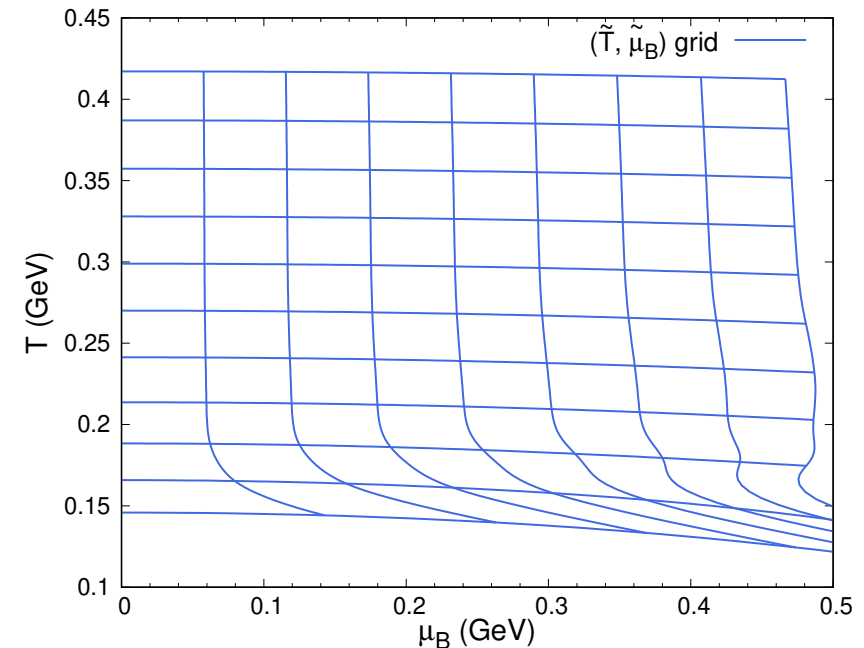
Covering it leads to a **huge redundancy in the 4D case**, making hydro simulations difficult



# Application

- We introduce  $\tilde{T}$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}_B$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}_Q$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}_S$ , defined as the temperature and chemical potentials of a parton gas with the given  $e$ ,  $n_B$ ,  $n_Q$ ,  $n_S$ , for tabulation

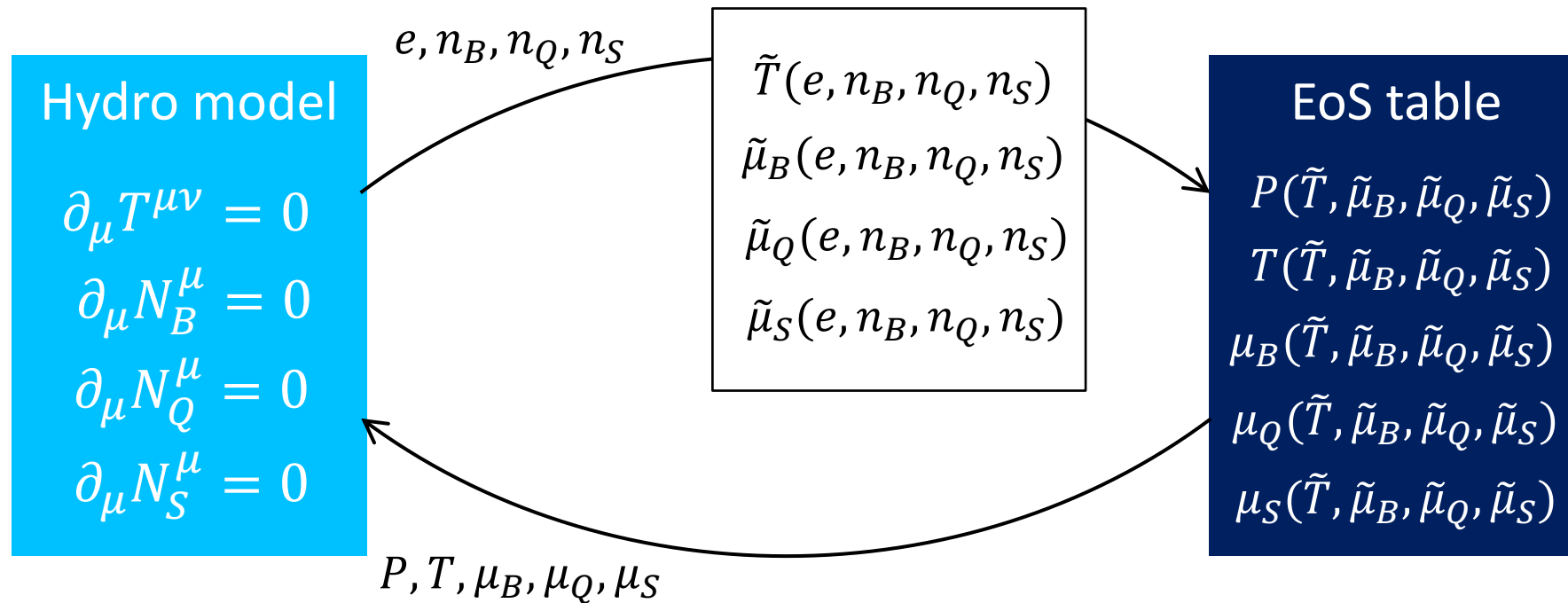
$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{T}(e, n_B, n_Q, n_S) &= \left( \frac{12}{19\pi^2} e \right)^{1/4} \\ \tilde{\mu}_B(e, n_B, n_Q, n_S) &= \frac{5n_B - n_Q + 2n_S}{\tilde{T}^2} \\ \tilde{\mu}_Q(e, n_B, n_Q, n_S) &= \frac{-n_B + 2n_Q - n_S}{\tilde{T}^2} \\ \tilde{\mu}_S(e, n_B, n_Q, n_S) &= \frac{2n_B - n_Q + 2n_S}{\tilde{T}^2}\end{aligned}$$



A grids with equal spacing in  $\tilde{T}$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}_B$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}_Q$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}_S$  is relatively straight in  $T$ ,  $\mu_B$ ,  $\mu_Q$ ,  $\mu_S$

# Application

- Schematic of EoS implementation to hydrodynamic model of nuclear collisions



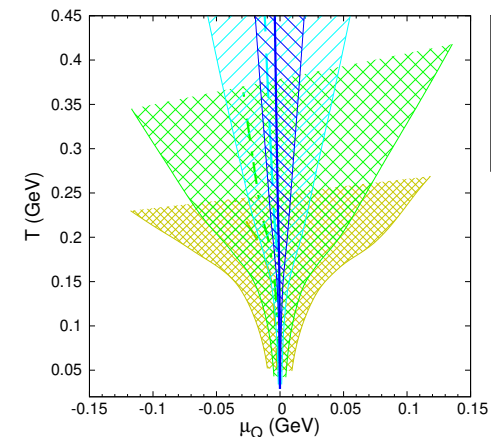
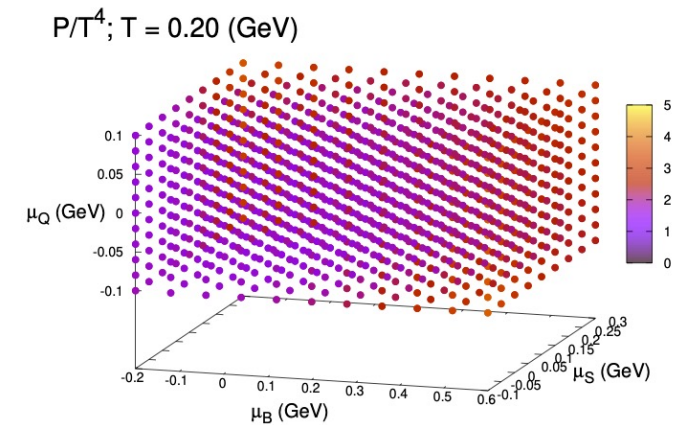
Calculations become efficient; see our recent analyses of isobar collisions for a successful application [G. Pihan, AM, B. Schenke, C. Shen, arXiv:2405.19439 \[nucl-th\]](#)



# Summary and outlook

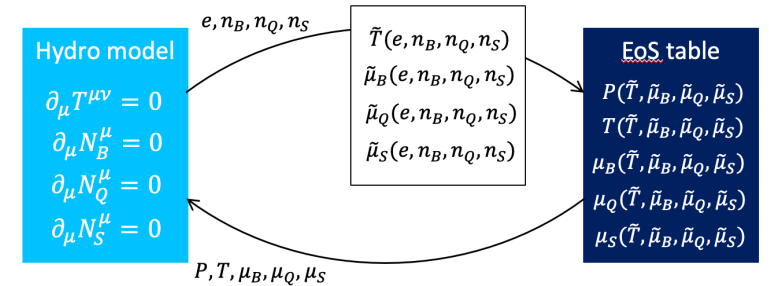
- We have constructed a crossover-type QCD EoS model, **NEOS-4D**, with net baryon (**B**), electric charge (**Q**) and strangeness (**S**)

- ▶ **Lattice QCD** results from Taylor expansion method is utilized
- ▶ It is smoothly matched to the **hadron resonance gas** model at lower temperatures
- ▶ One can distinguish protons and neutrons; **wide ranges in the  $T-\mu_B-\mu_Q-\mu_S$  space** are explored



# Summary and outlook

- ▶ An efficient method of numerical implementation of a 4D EoS to the hydrodynamic model is developed using  $\tilde{T}$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}_B$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}_Q$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}_S$  variables



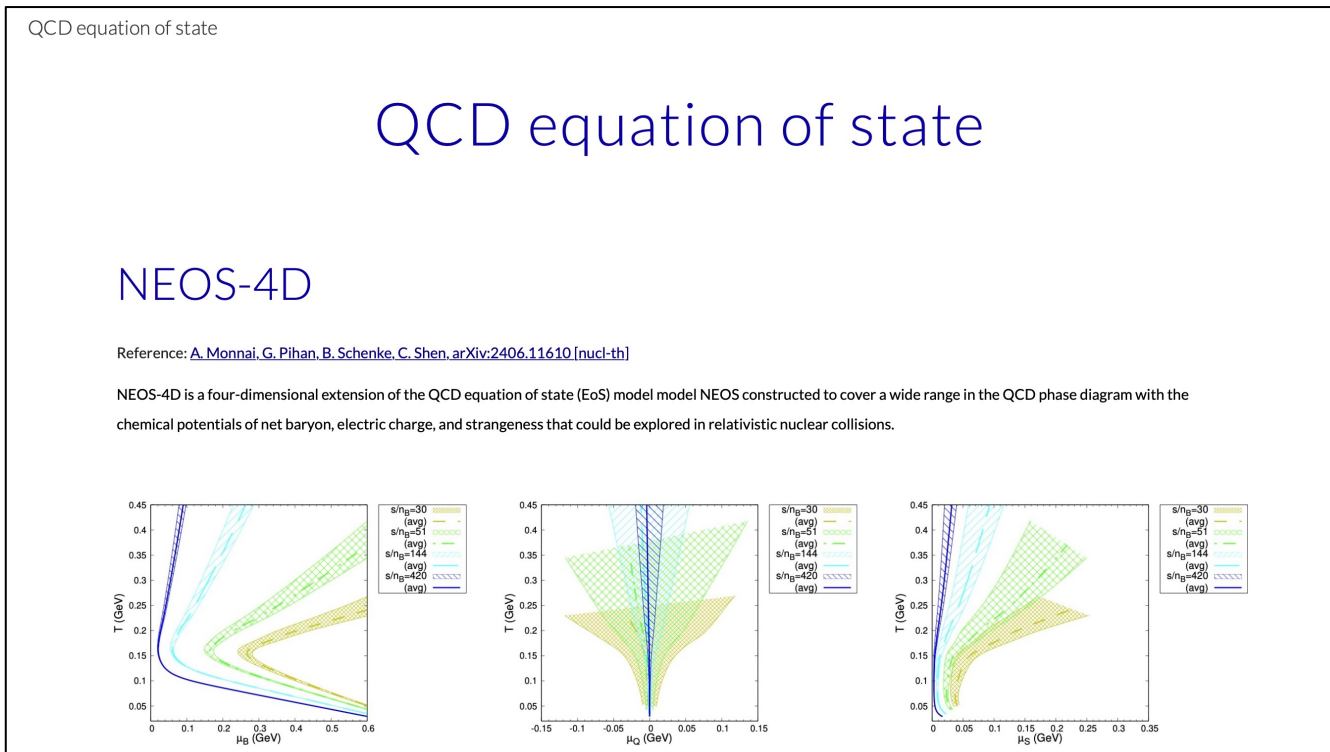
## ■ Outlook

- ▶ Introduction of **higher order susceptibilities** from Lattice QCD
- ▶ Application to the hydrodynamic analyses of nuclear collisions at **beam energy scan energies** and of **different nuclear species**
- ▶ Estimation of the effects of **fluctuations** and **diffusions**

# Summary and outlook

- The results of our equation of state model NEOS-4D are publicly available:

<https://sites.google.com/view/qcdneos4d/home>



*Thank you for listening!*