

A quarkyonic matter model

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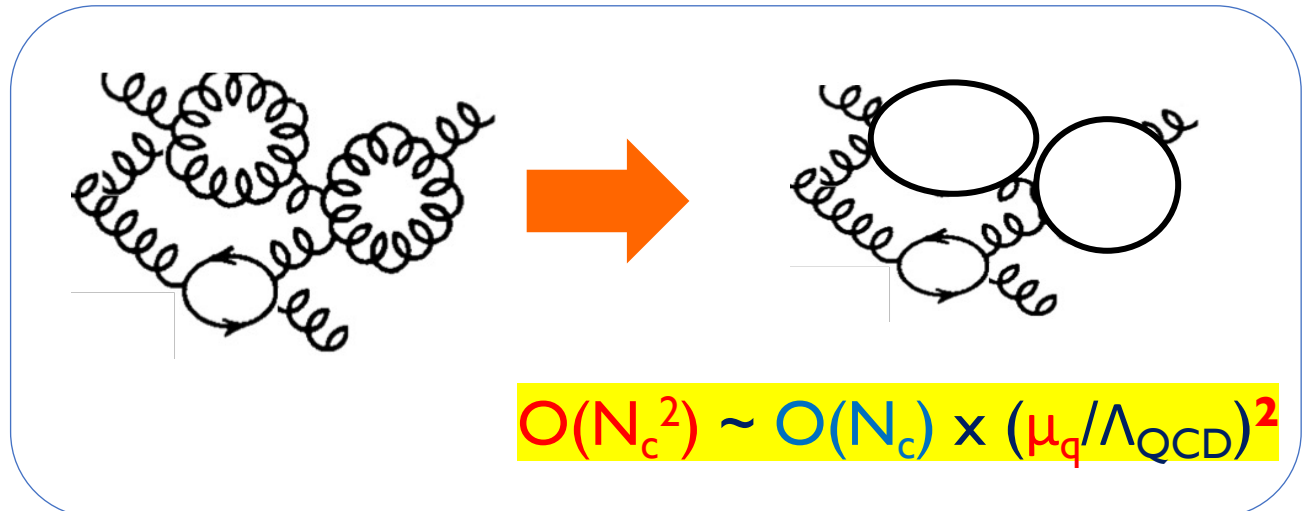
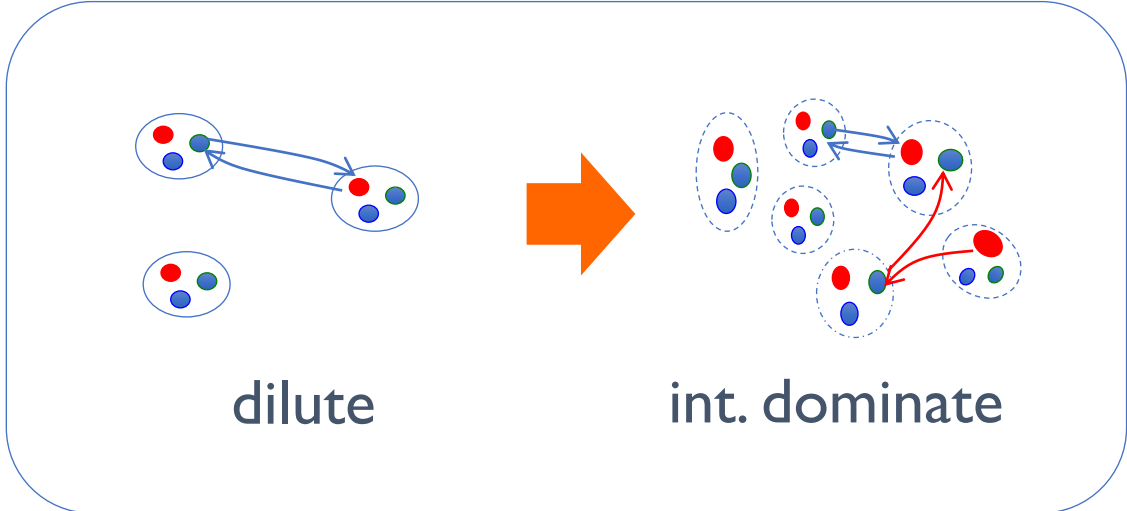
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Refs) Baym-Hatsuda-TK-Powell-Song-Takatsuka, "QHC", review on neutron stars (2018)

TK, "Stiffening of matter in quark-hadron continuity" PRD (2021)

Fujimoto-TK-McLerran, "IdylliQ matter model" PRL (2024)

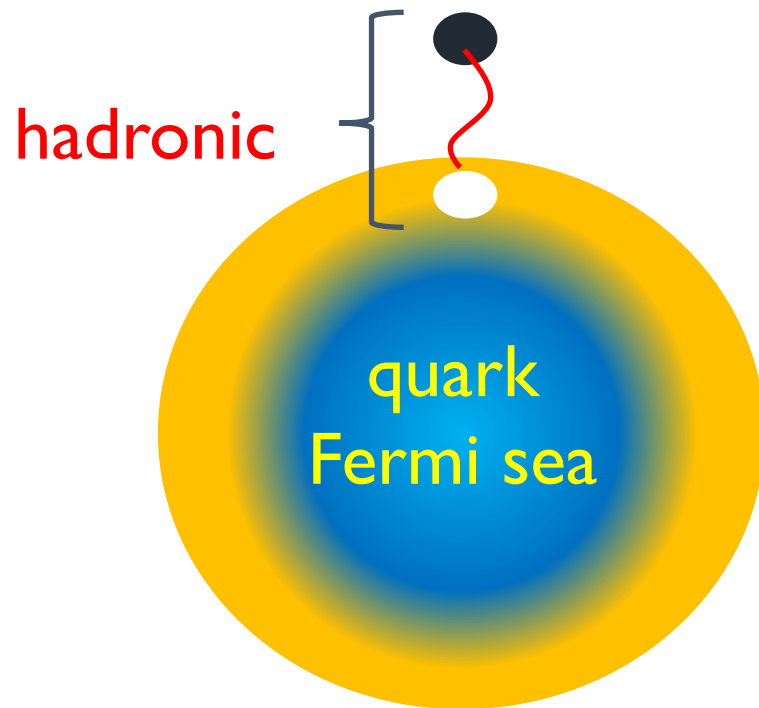
McLerran-Pisarski's "two-scale picture" [McLerran-Pisarski '07]



Quarkyonic matter

def

:= quark matter with **confining gluons**



impacts on

- e.g.)
- entropy & transport properties
 - gap **weakly** depending on μ
 - phase structures

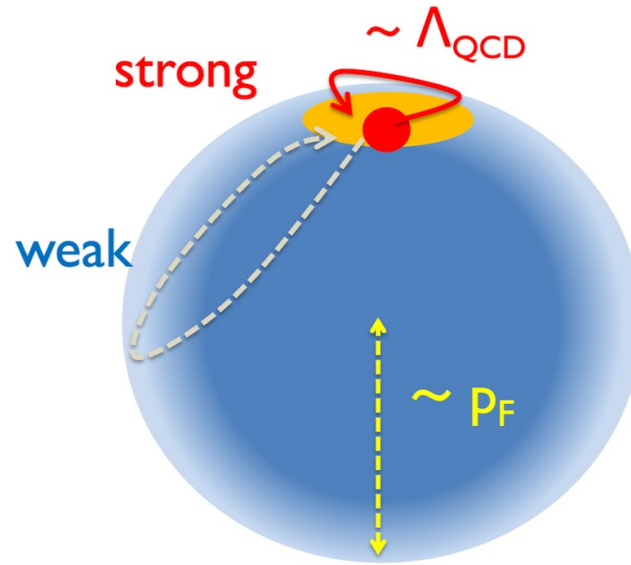
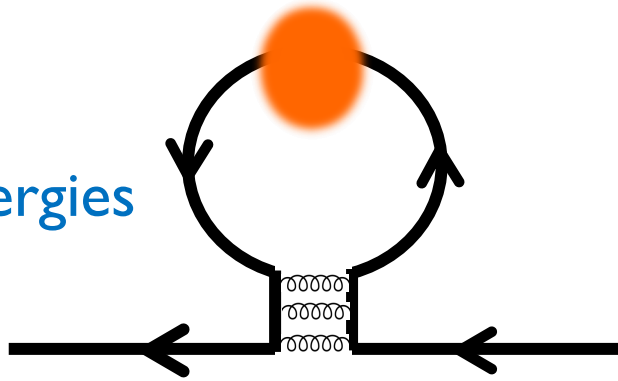
possible consequences (**NOT definitions**) :

- chiral symmetric but confining phase [Glozman+ '08]
- chiral spirals (inhomo. chiral) [TK+ '09, '10, '11]

& many other speculations

An application of concepts; gap-eq. & EOS

quark
self-energies



If IR gluons dominate

M or $\Delta \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} (!)$

(weak μ -dep.)

EOS

$$P(\mu) = c_0 \mu^4 + c_2 \Delta^2 \mu^2 + c_4 \Delta^4 + \dots$$

$$\sim c_0 \mu^4 + c'_2 \underline{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2} \mu^2 + c'_4 \underline{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4} + \dots$$

non-perturbative

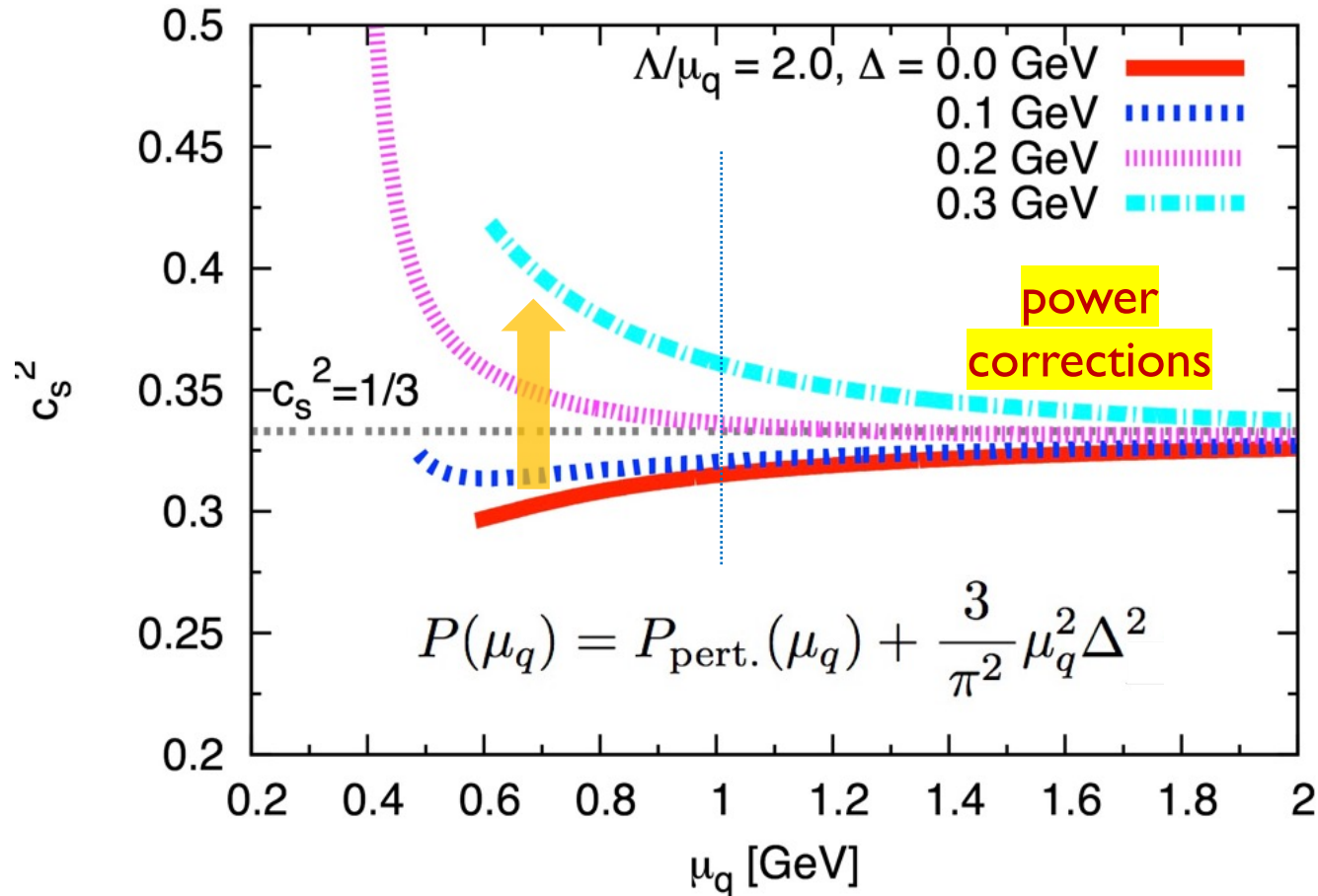
"power corrections"

[Shifman-Vainshtein-Zakharov, '78]

[TK-Powell-Song-Baym, '14]

An application of concepts; c_s^2 at high density

sound speed:
$$c_s^2 = \frac{\partial P}{\partial \varepsilon} = \frac{2c_0\mu^2 + \underline{c_2\Delta^2}}{6c_0\mu^2 + \underline{c_2\Delta^2}} \geq \frac{1}{3} \quad (\text{for } c_2 > 0)$$



e.g. diquark pairing (CFL) terms

For $\Delta \sim 0.2 \text{ GeV} \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

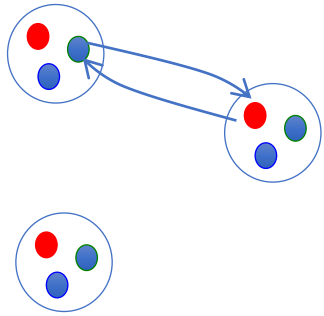
$(\Delta / \mu_q)^2 \sim 4\%$ at $\mu \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$

but qualitative trend changes

more important
toward lower density

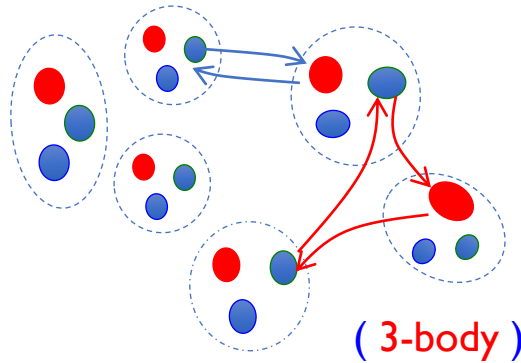
Neutron Star matter $(n_0 = 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3})$ [Masuda+ '12; TK+ '14]

- few meson exchange
- nucleons only



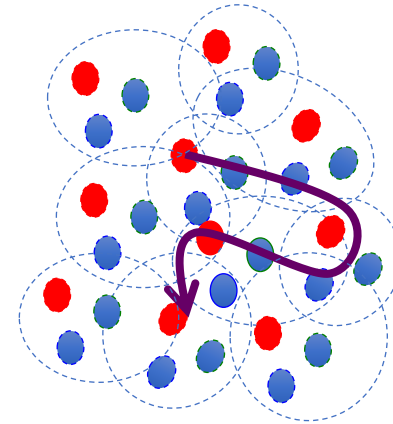
ab-initio nuclear cal.
laboratory experiments
steady progress

- many-quark exchange
- structural change,...
- hyperons, Δ , ...



most difficult
(d.o.f ??)

- Baryons overlap
- Quark Fermi sea



strongly correlated
(d.o.f : quasi-particles??)

not explored well



[Freedman-McLerran, Kurkela+, Fujimoto+...]

n_B

$\sim 1.4 M_\odot$

$\sim 2 M_\odot$

$\sim 2n_0$

Hints from NS

$\sim 5n_0$

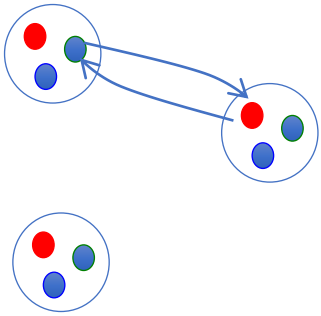
$\sim 40n_0$



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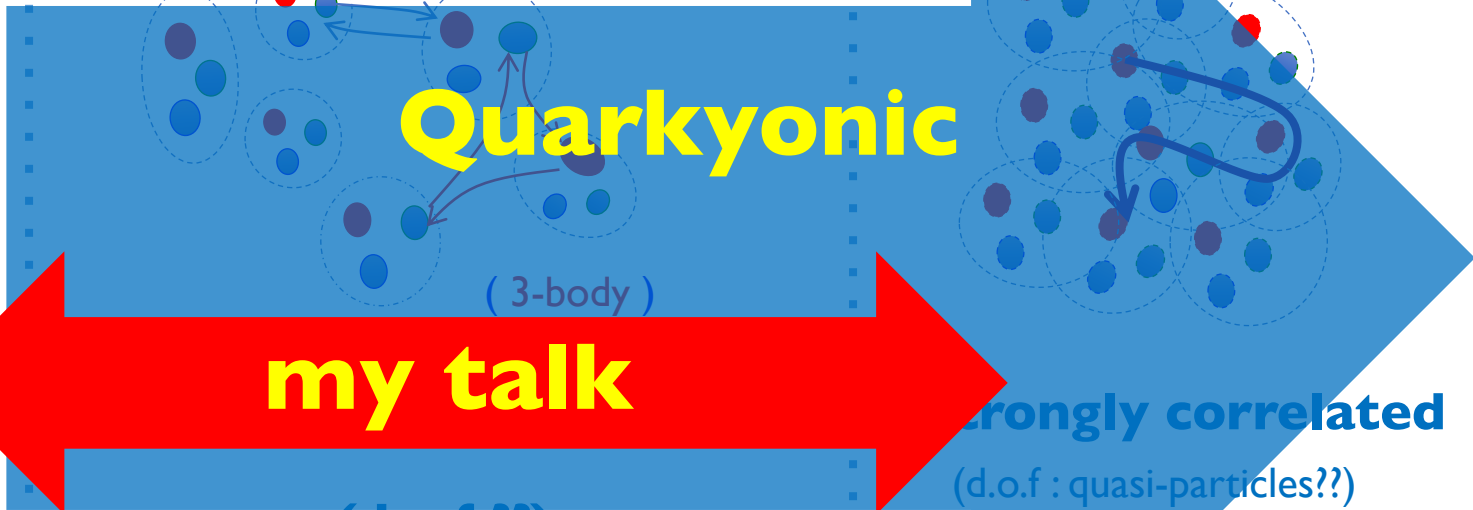
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pQCD(?)

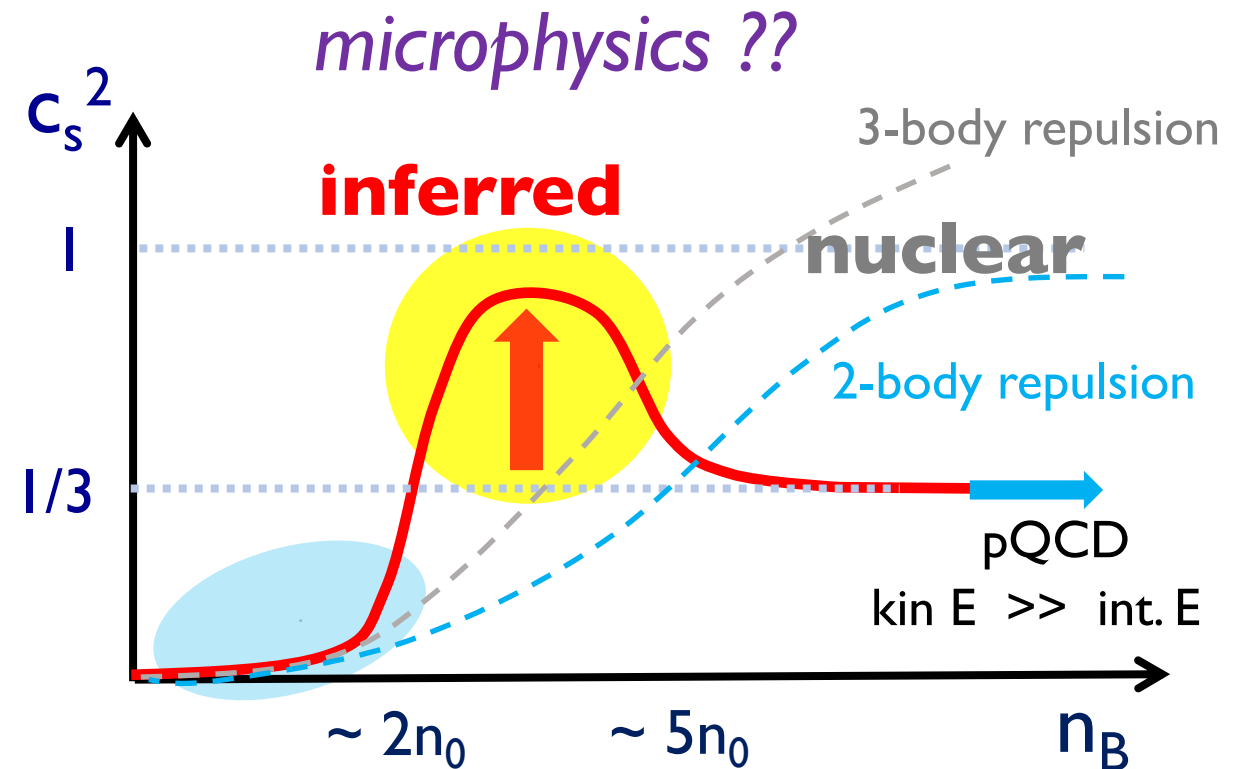
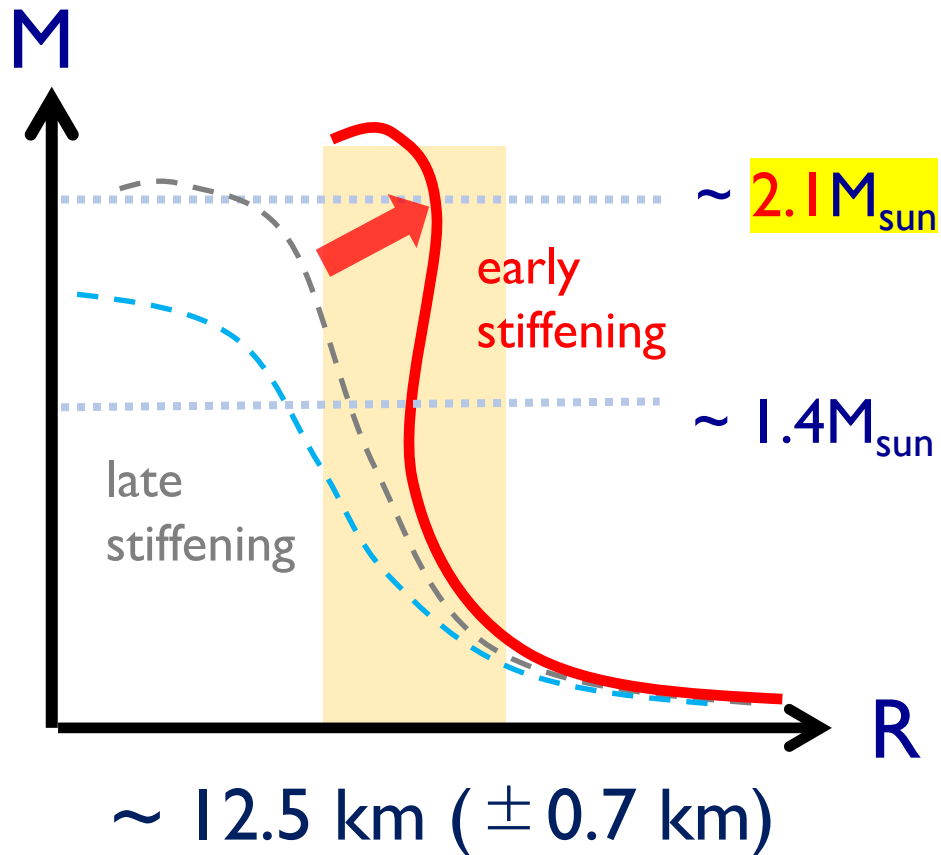
[Freedman-McLerran, Kurkela+, Fujimoto+...]

n_B

Implications from NS

NICER for 1.4 & 2.1 M_{sun} + **GW** + **nuclear** ($< \sim 1.5n_0$)

→ $R_{1.4} \sim R_{2.1} (!)$



IdylliQ model

= Ideal dual Quarkyonic model

Describe **single** physics in **two** languages (baryon/quark)

Powerful in transient regimes ($2-5n_0$)

Sum rules for occupation probabilities

cf) [TK '21]

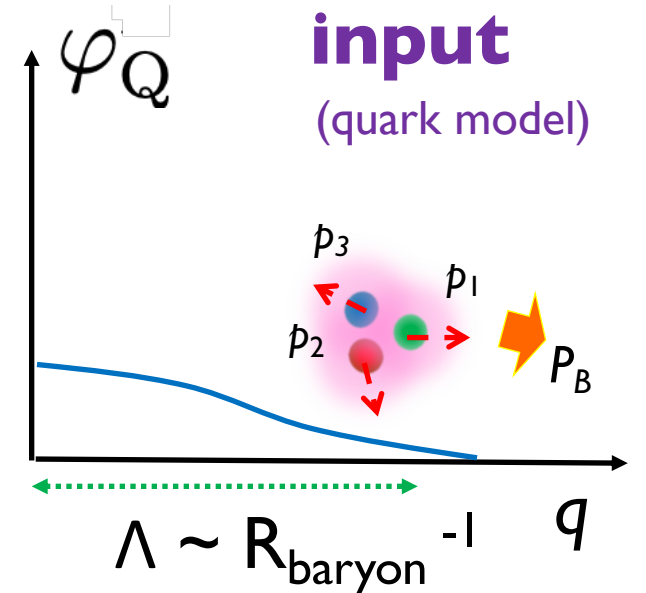
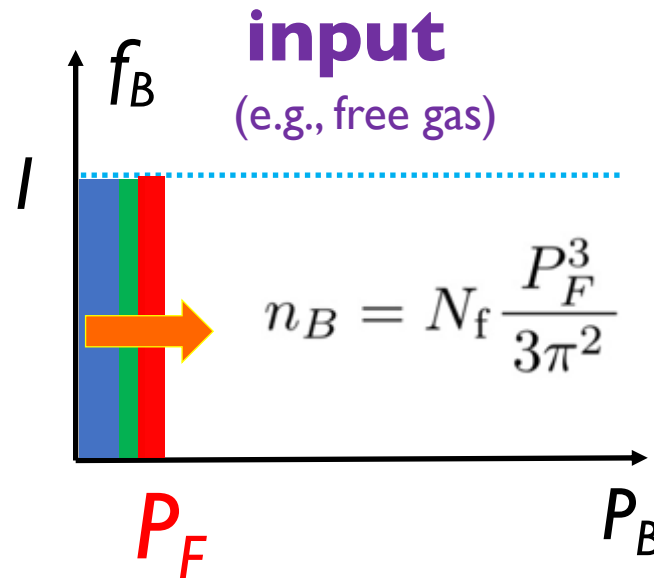
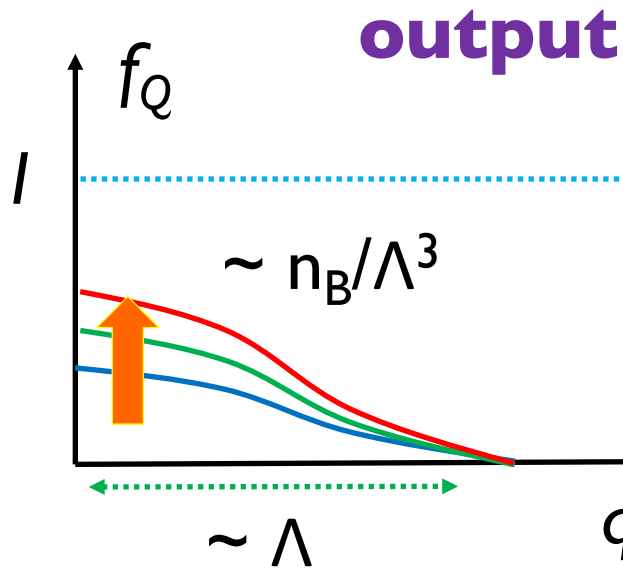
occupation **probability** of **quark** state with p

occupation **probability** of **baryon** state with P_B

quark mom. distribution **in a baryon**

$$\underline{f_Q(\mathbf{q})} = \int_{P_B} \underline{f_B(\mathbf{P}_B)} \underline{\varphi_Q^B(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{P}_B/N_c)}$$

e.g.) in **ideal** baryonic matter



An ideal model

[Fujimoto-TK-McLerran, PRL'24]

1) neglect interactions *except* confining forces

e.g.) 2-flavor hamiltonian:
$$\varepsilon_B[f_B] = 4 \int_k E_B(k) f_B(k)$$

2) keep using the same φ_Q (quarkyonic)

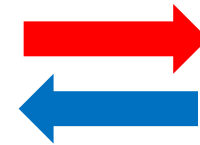
3) use a special quark distribution \rightarrow sum rules analytically **invertible**

$$\varphi_{3d}(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{2\pi^2}{\Lambda^3} \frac{e^{-q/\Lambda}}{q/\Lambda} \quad \hat{L} = -\nabla^2 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \quad \hat{L}[\varphi(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})] = \frac{(2\pi)^3}{\Lambda^2} \delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})$$

nontrivial output

$$f_Q(\mathbf{q}) = \int_{\mathbf{P}_B} f_B(\mathbf{P}_B) \varphi_Q^B(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{P}_B/N_c)$$

natural at **low** density



nontrivial output

$$f_B(N_c \mathbf{q}) = \frac{\Lambda^2}{N_c^3} \hat{L} [f_Q(\mathbf{q})]$$

natural at **high** density

Minimize energy **with** sum rule constraints

[Fujimoto-TK-McLerran, PRL'24]

$$\tilde{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon_B[f_B] - \lambda_B n_B$$

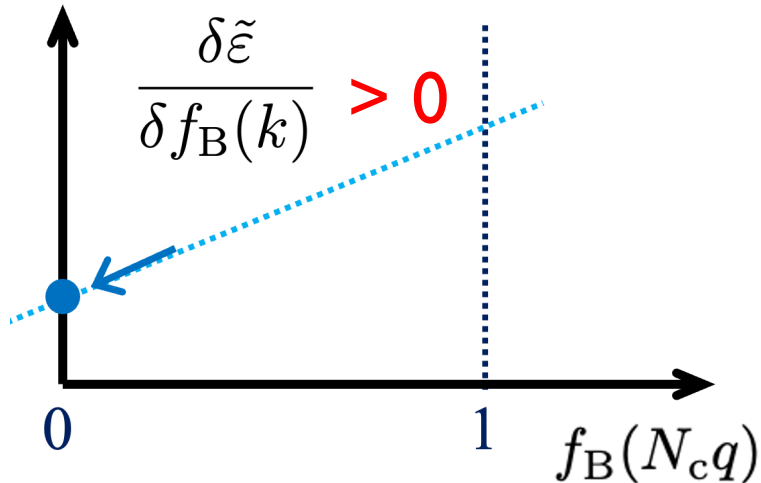
constraint to fix n_B

$$E_B(k) = \sqrt{M_B^2 + k^2}$$

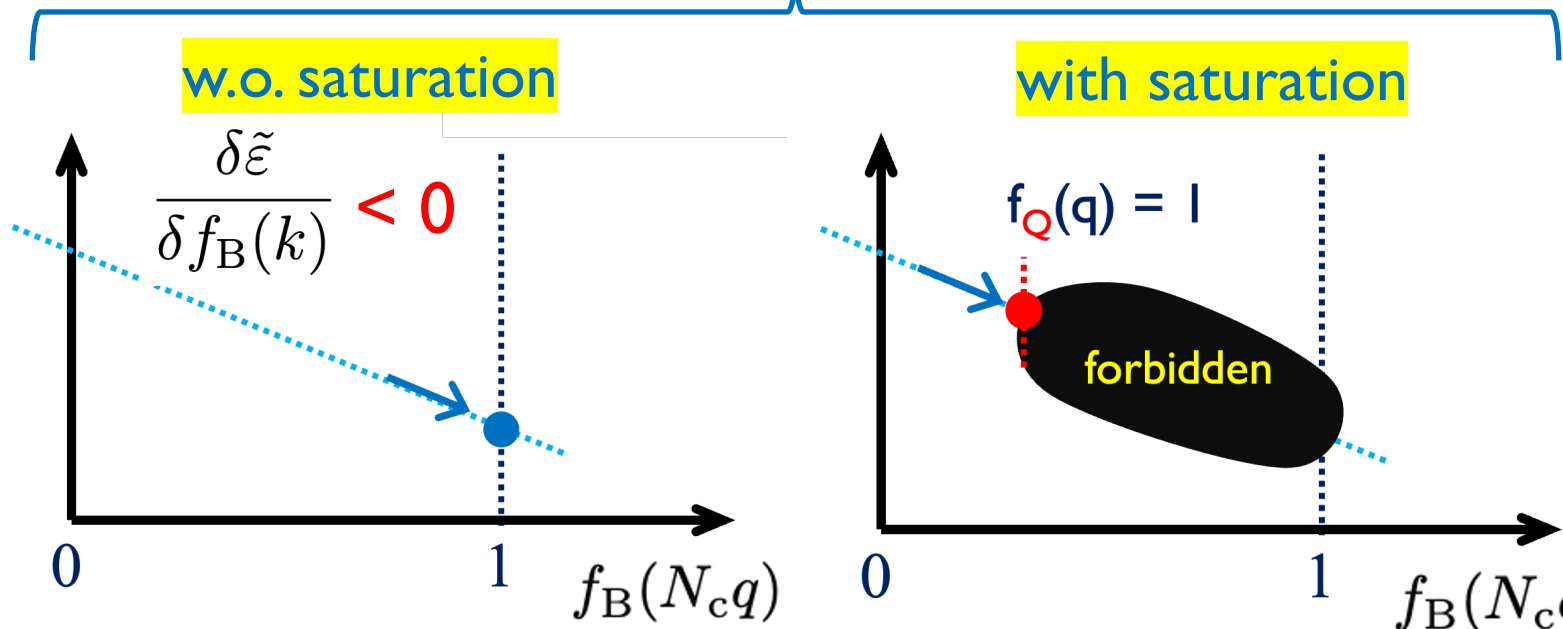
$$n_B = 4 \int_k f_B(k)$$

optimization: $\frac{\delta \tilde{\varepsilon}}{\delta f_B(k)} = E_B(k) - \lambda_B$ **at a given k**

$$E_B(k) > \lambda_B$$

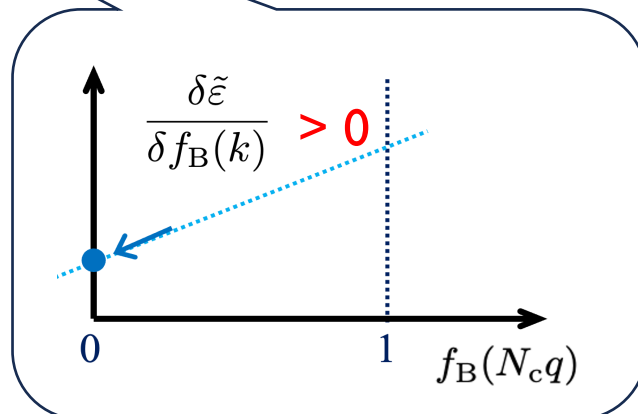
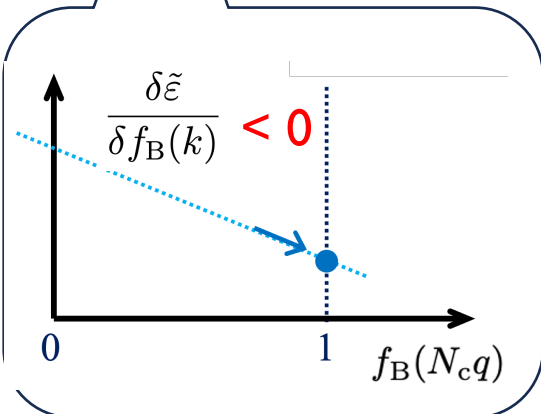
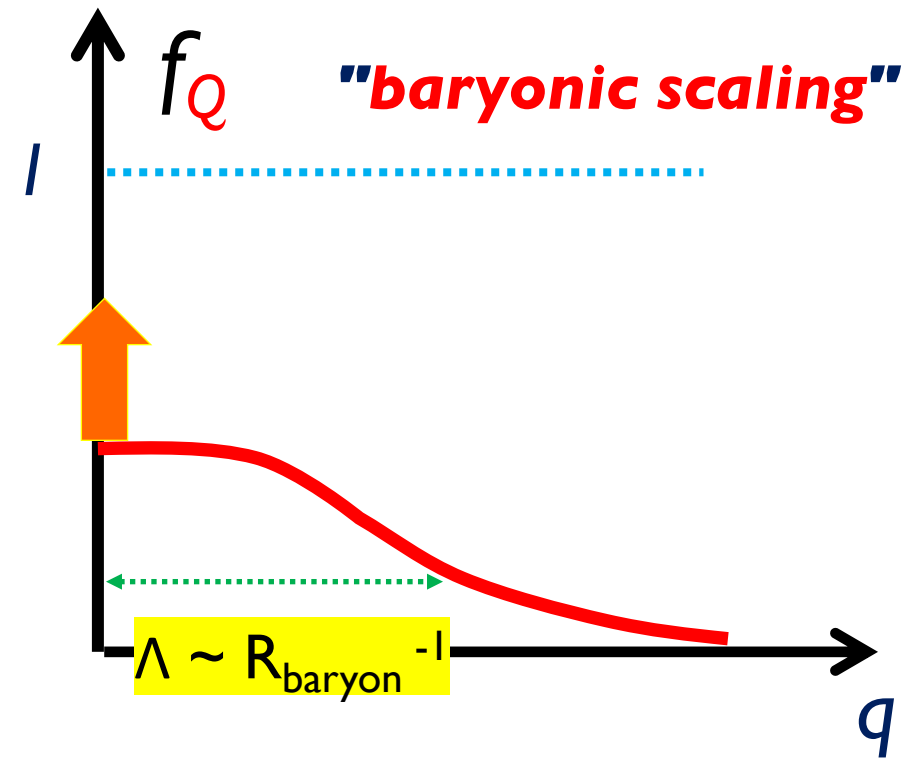
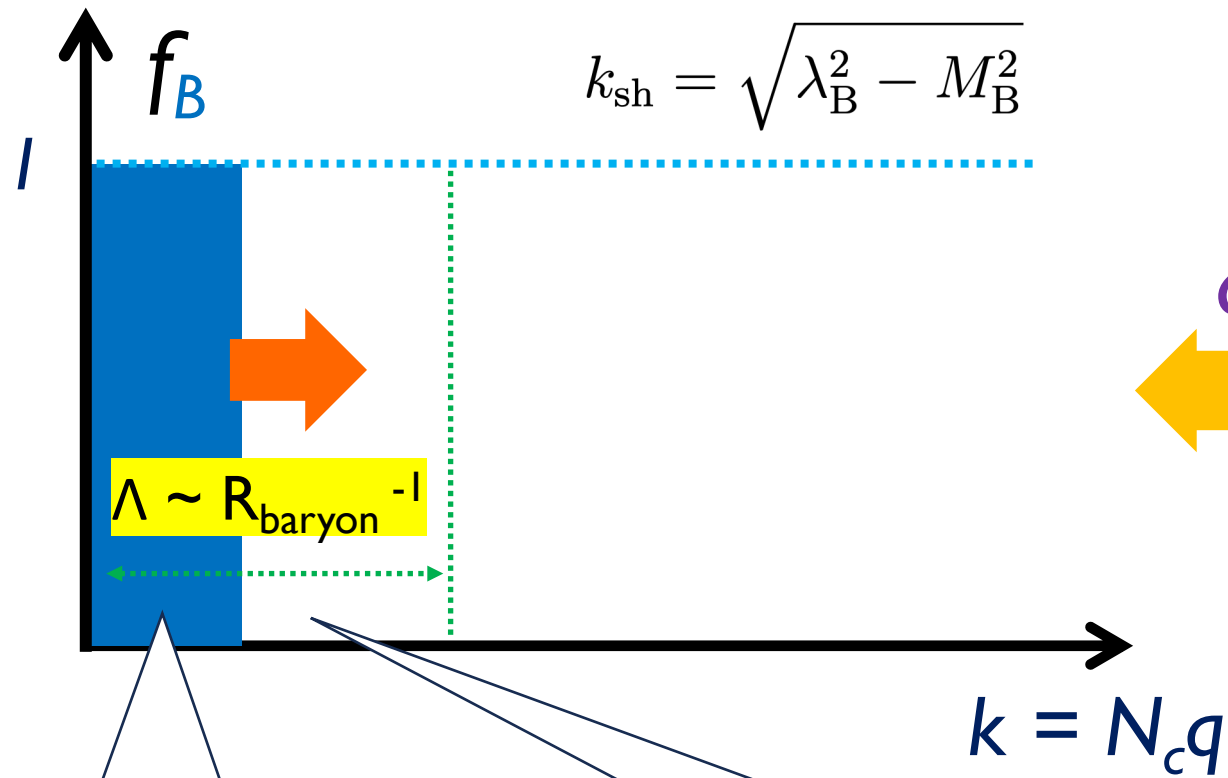


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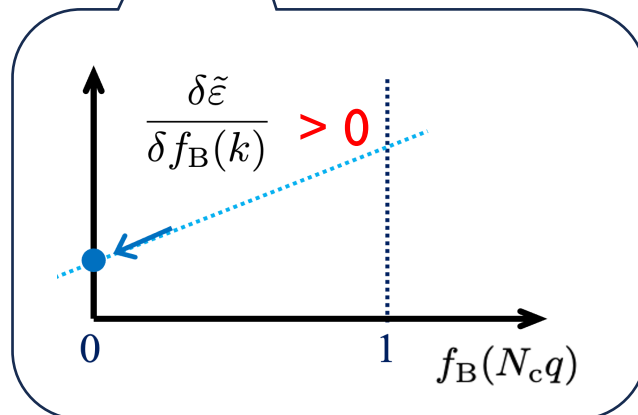
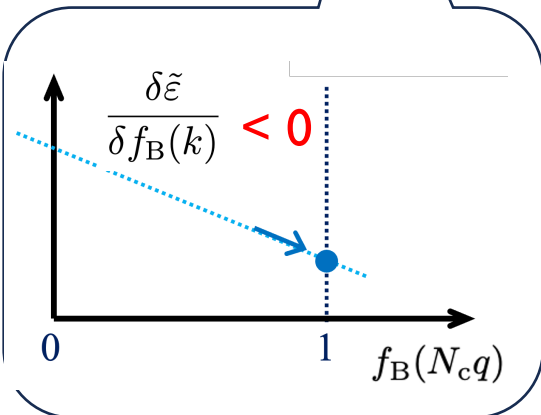
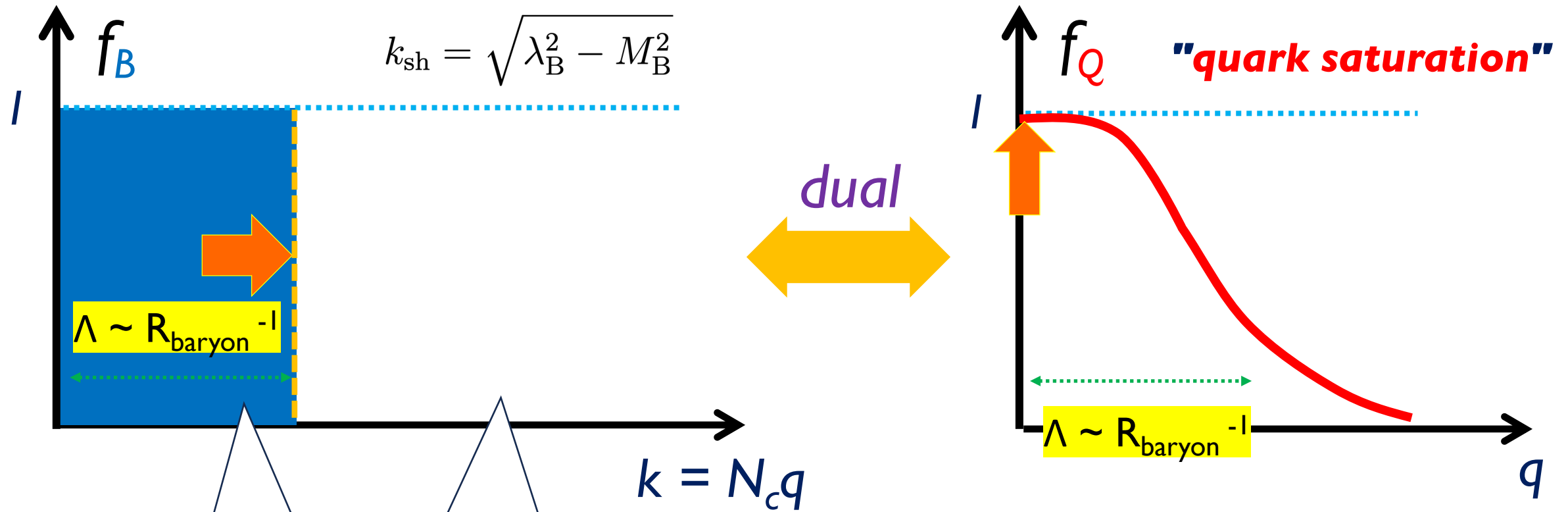
Solution (**dilute regime**)

[Fujimoto-TK-McLerran, PRL'24]



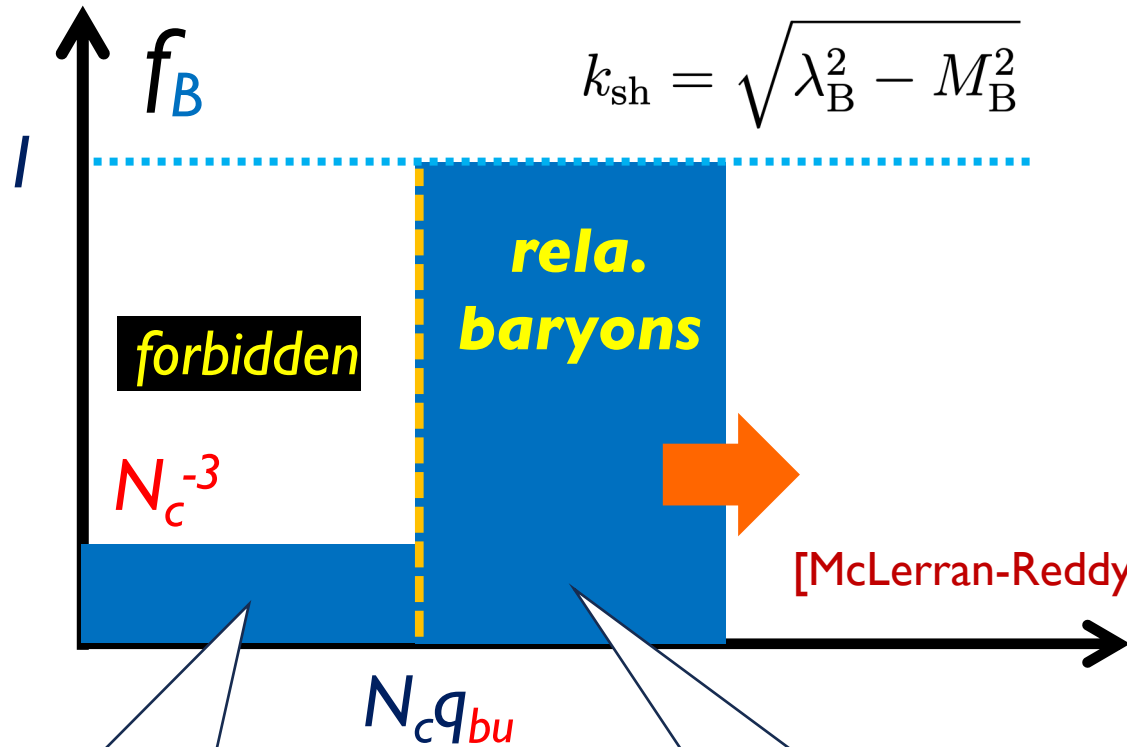
Solution (at **saturation**)

[Fujimoto-TK-McLerran, PRL'24]

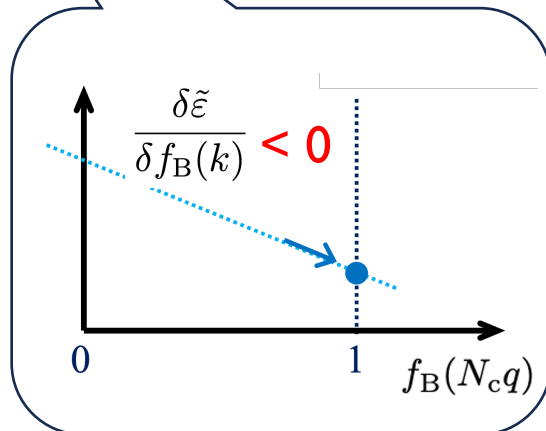
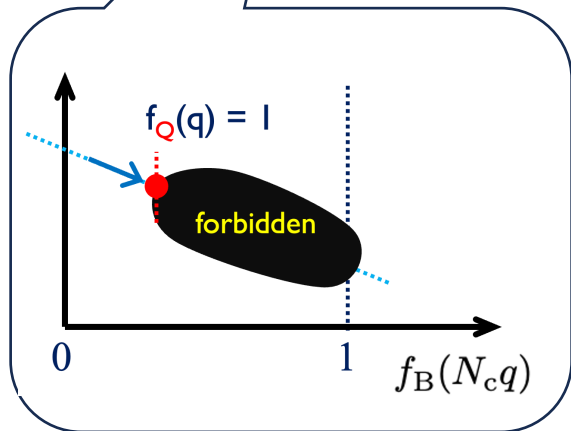
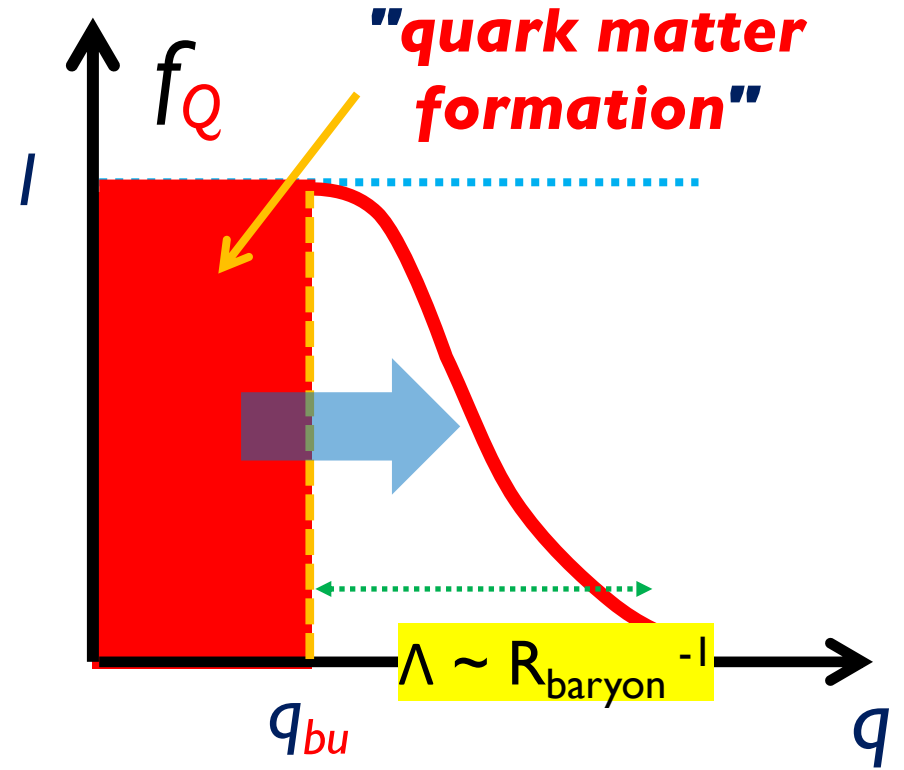


Solution (post saturation)

[Fujimoto-TK-McLerran, PRL'24]



dual



n_B moderate but
baryons relativistic



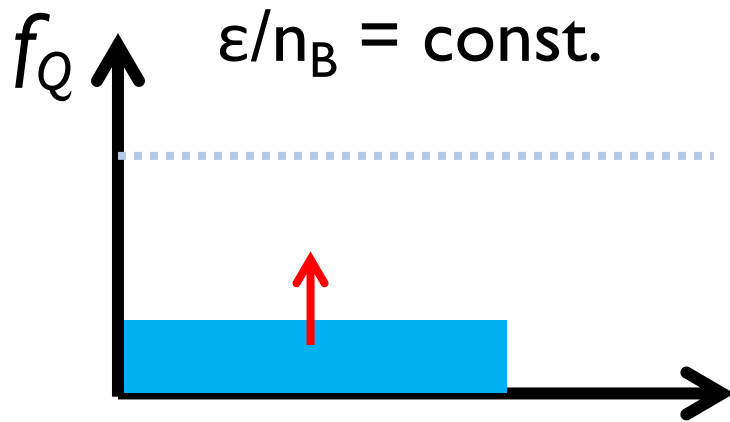
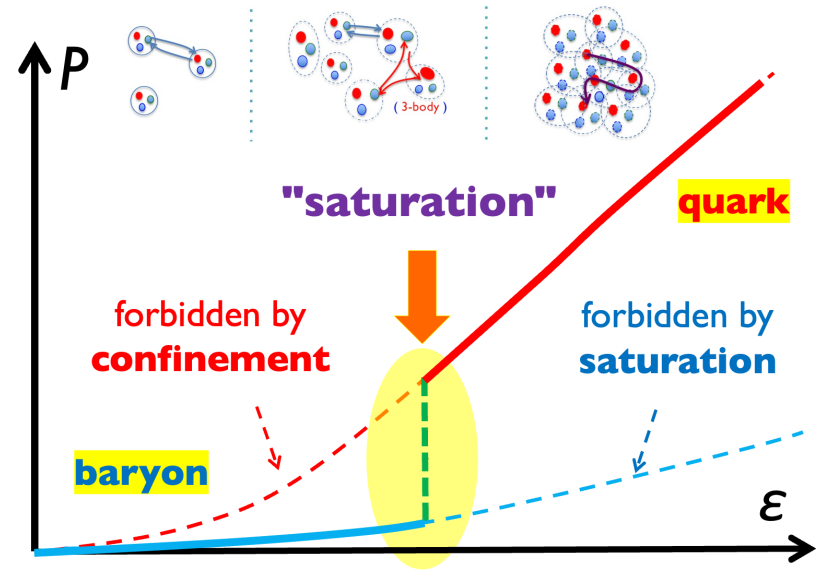
stiff EOS

Stiffening in quark picture

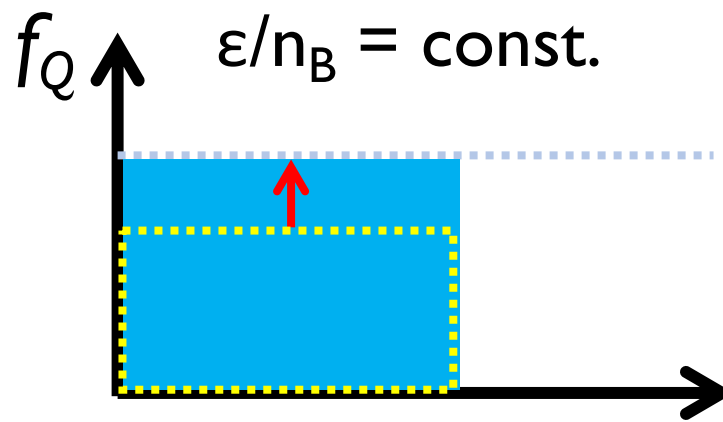
(very schematic)

$$\mathcal{P} = n_B^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial n_B} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{n_B} \right)$$

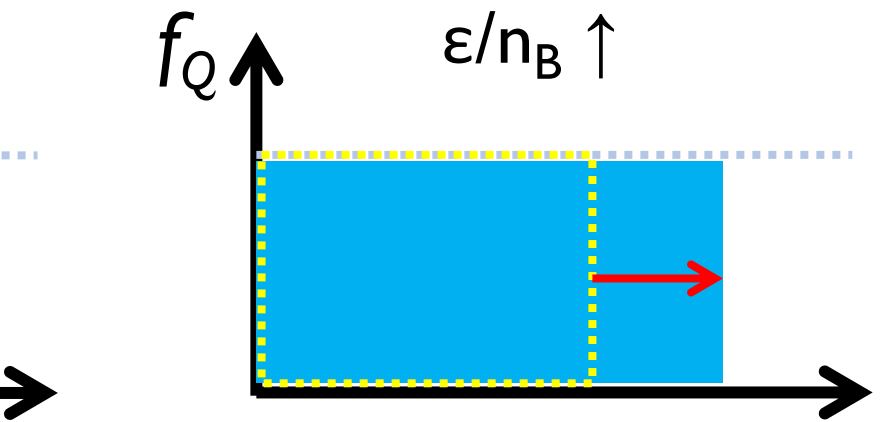
energy per particle



$P = 0$



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jump (!)

$P = \text{finite}$

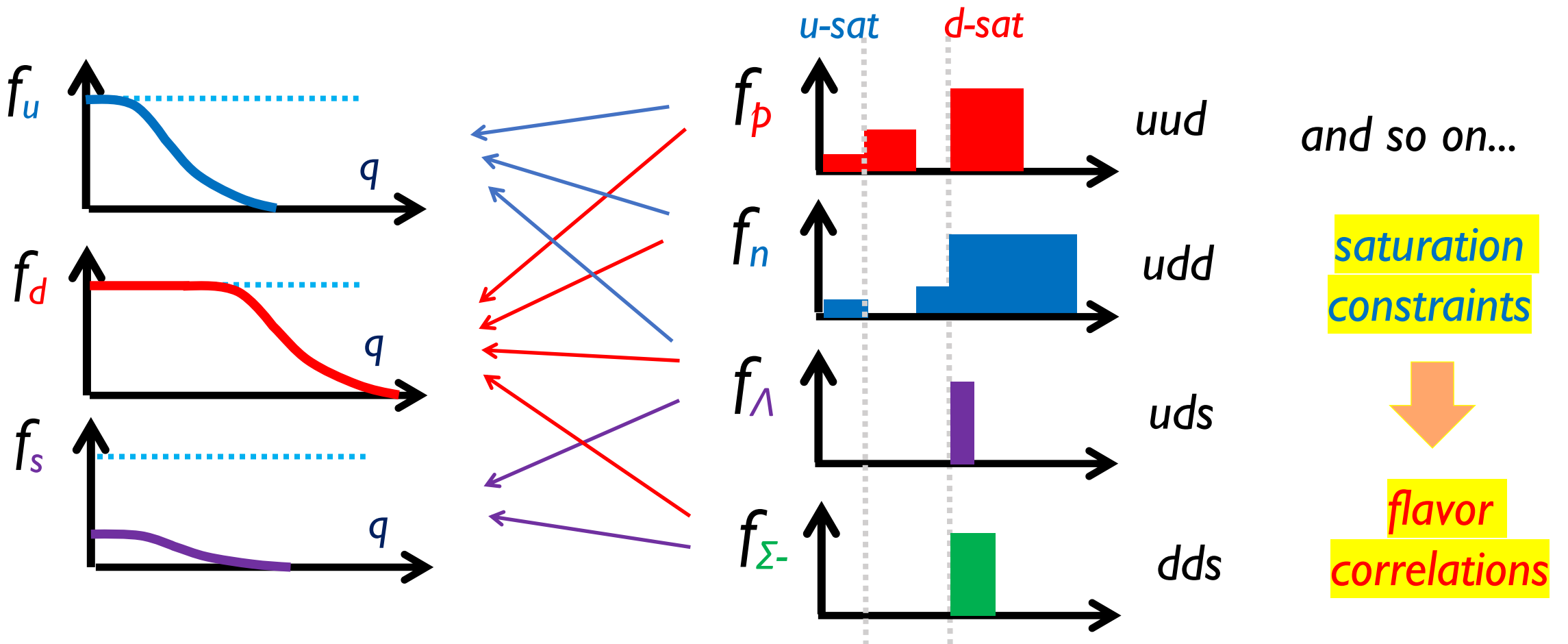


Multi-flavor extension

[Fujimoto-TK-McLerran, '24, in preparation]

$$f_Q(\mathbf{q}) = \sum_{B=p,n,\Sigma,\dots} N_Q^B \int_{\mathbf{k}} f_B(\mathbf{k}) \varphi\left(\mathbf{q} - \frac{\mathbf{k}}{N_c}\right)$$

$Q = u, d, s$

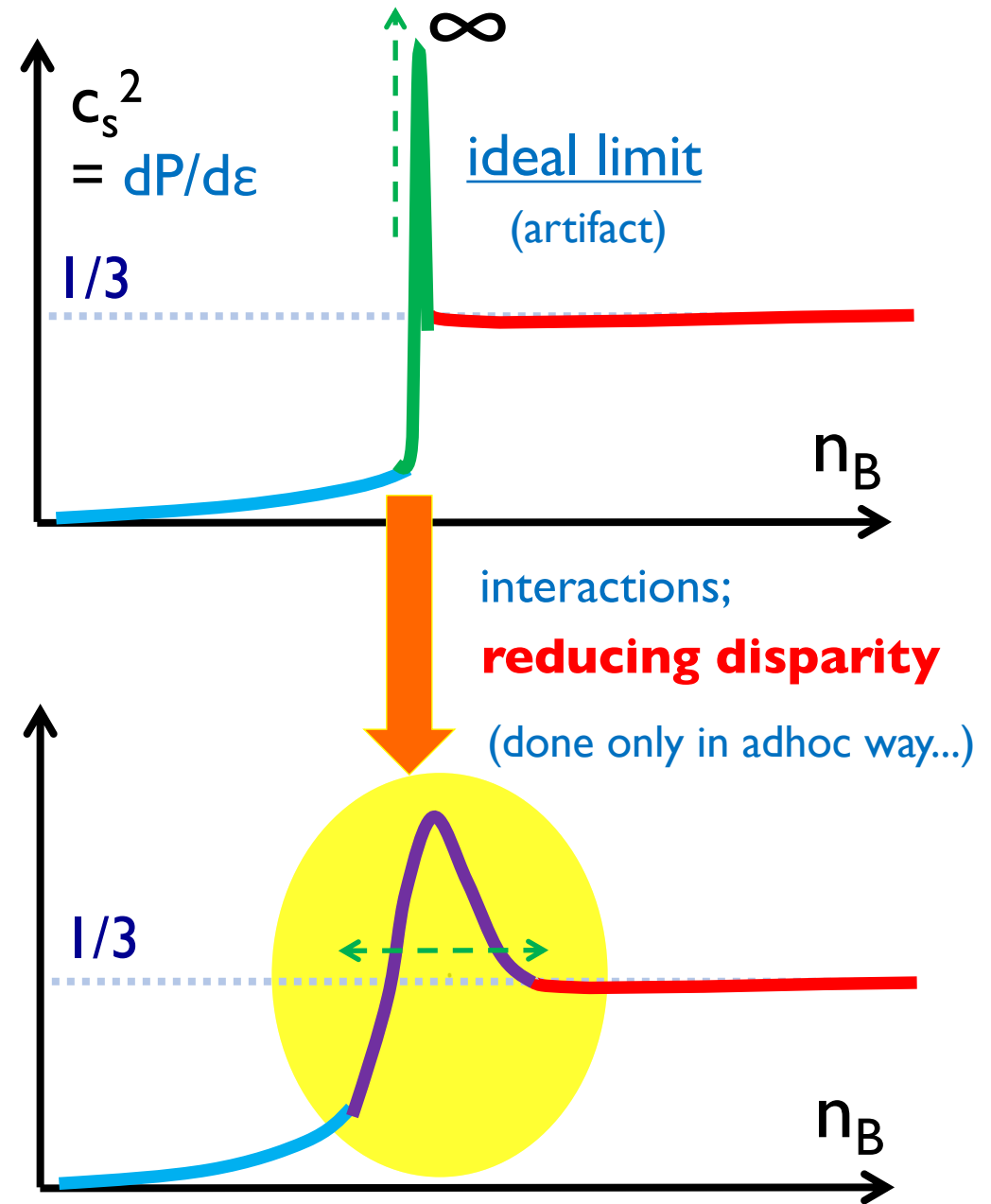
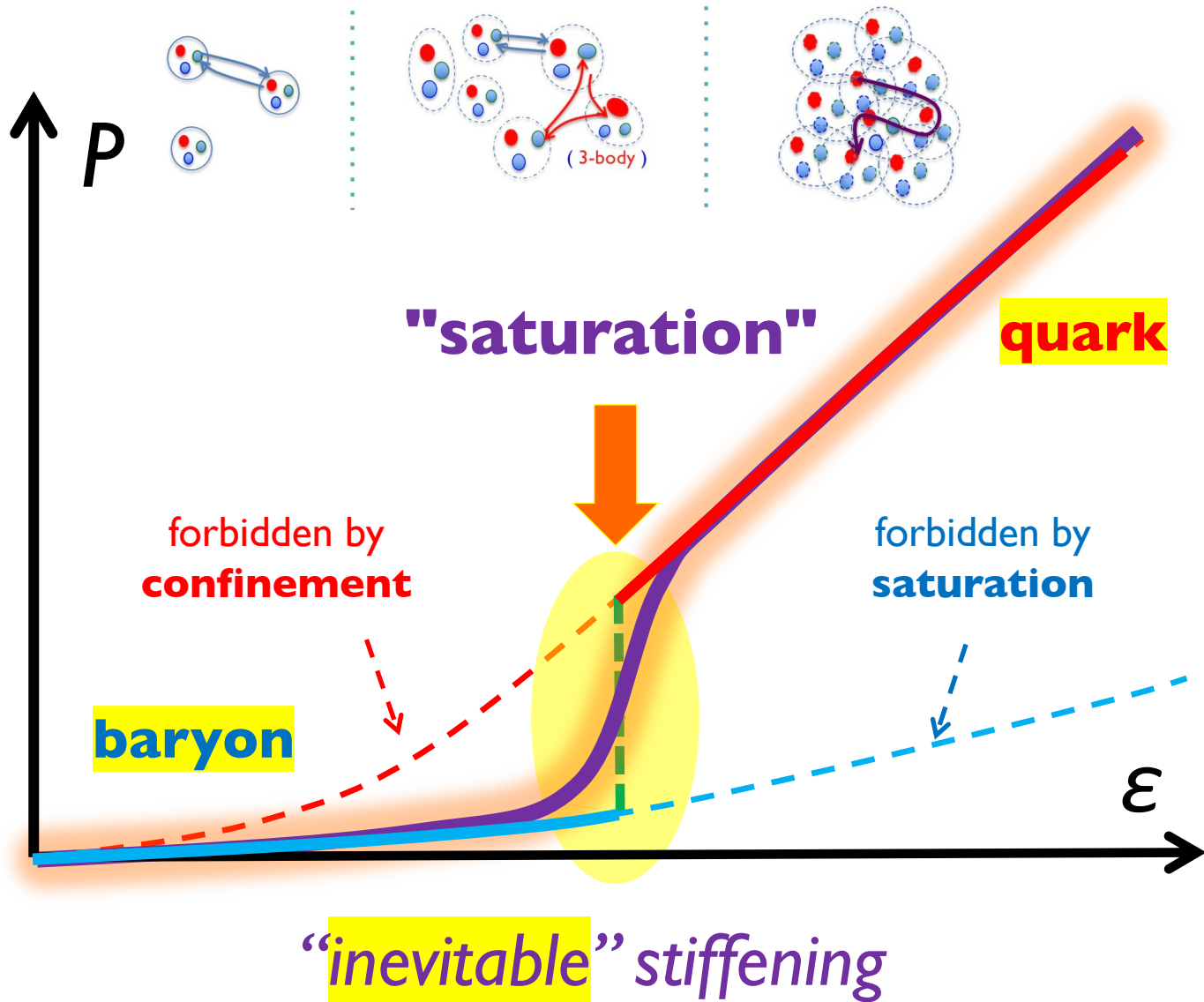


Summary & Outlook

- *Quarkyonic matter* = quark matter with confining gluons
- *quark saturation* → inevitable stiffening, c_s^2 peak
- the saturation occurs at $\sim 2-3n_0$ (!) ($< \sim 5n_0$ for baryon overlap)
- baryons are **NOT independent**; quark substructure constraint
 - ρ, n, Δ, cannot be freely put into the system **at the same time**
 - the hyperon puzzle to be solved [Fujimoto-TK-McLerran, in preparation]

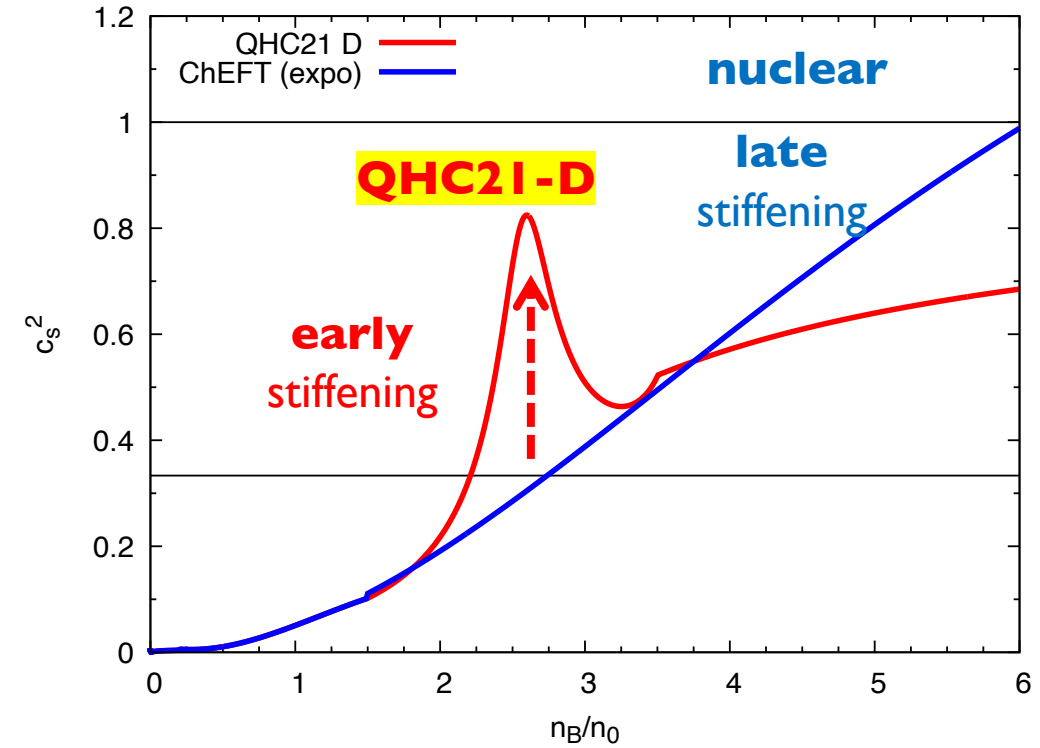
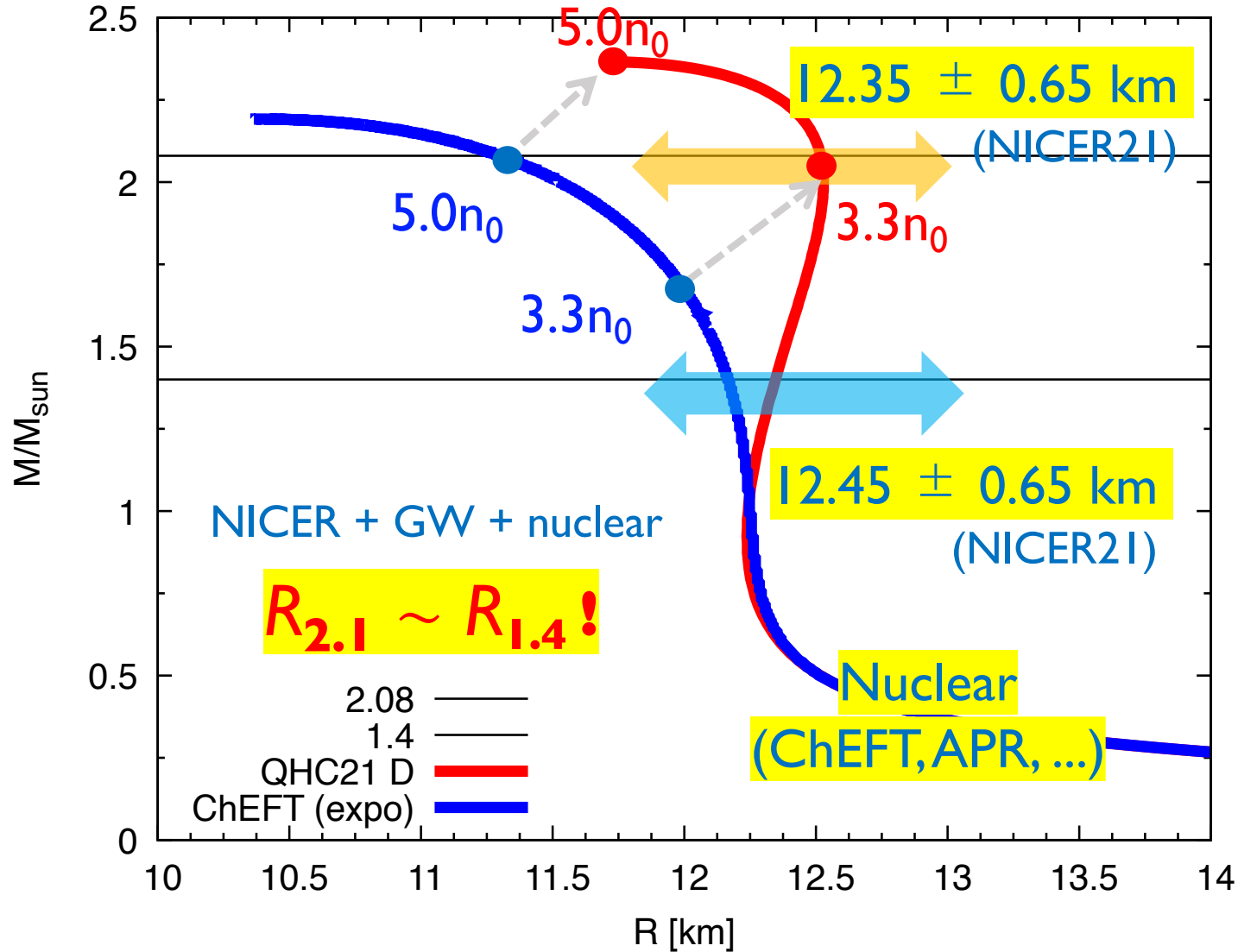
Back Up

Peak in sound velocity



Early vs late stiffening: QHC vs nucleonic

[TK-Hatsuda-Baym '21]



2-3 n_0 : already beyond purely nucleonic regime?

Nucleonic models & many-body forces

$$\varepsilon(n_B) = \underbrace{m_N n_B}_{\text{large (!)}} + \underbrace{a \frac{n_B^{5/3}}{m_N}}_{\text{small (!)}} + \underbrace{b n_B^\alpha}_{\text{small (!)}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad P = \underbrace{\frac{2}{3} a \frac{n_B^{5/3}}{m_N}}_{\text{small (!)}} + \underbrace{b(\alpha - 1) n_B^\alpha}_{\text{small (!)}}$$

$$\mathcal{P} = n_B^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial n_B} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{n_B} \right)$$

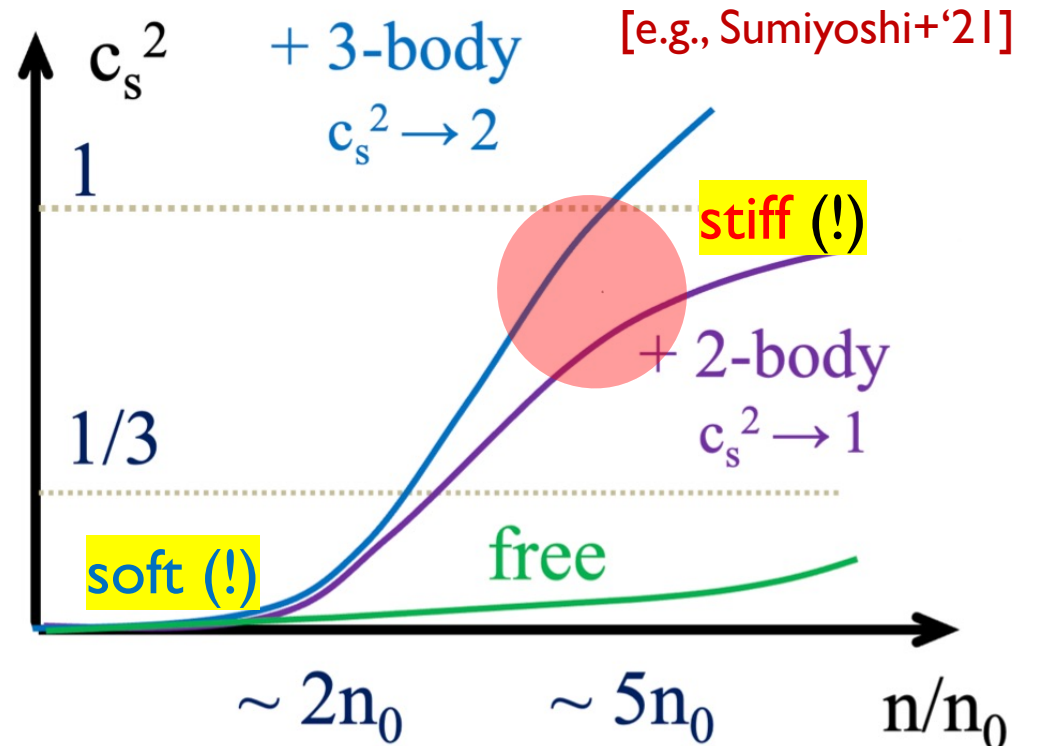
\longrightarrow $p \ll \varepsilon$ (at least in dilute regime)

If interactions dominate (at large n_B):

$$P \sim (\alpha - 1)\varepsilon \rightarrow c_s^2 \sim (\alpha - 1)$$

2-body int. $\rightarrow \alpha = 2$ 3-body int. $\rightarrow \alpha = 3$

- causality & convergence ??
- stiffening occurs *slowly* (power growth)

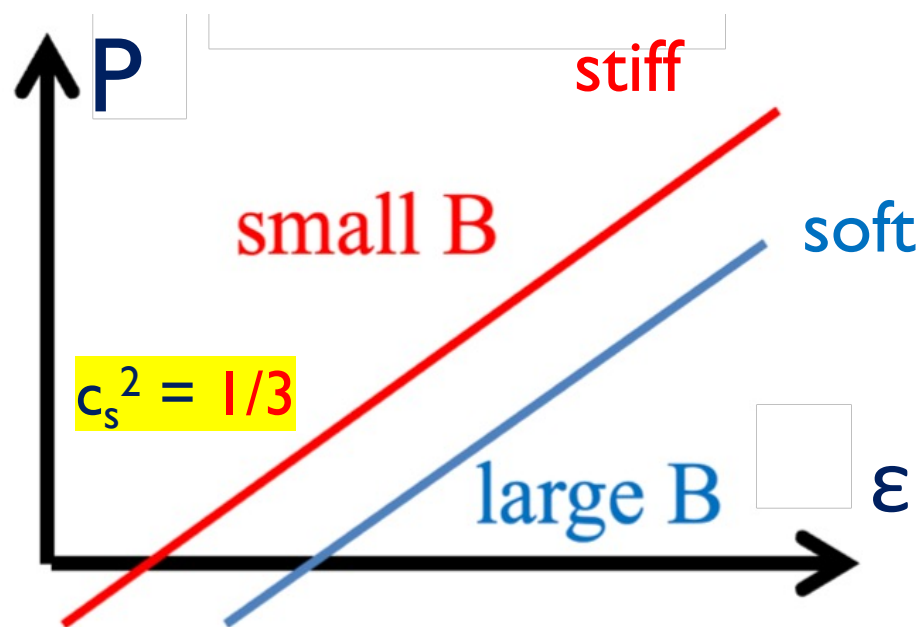


alternative: quark EOS

e.g.) free massless quarks

$$P = \frac{\epsilon}{3} - B'$$

normalization

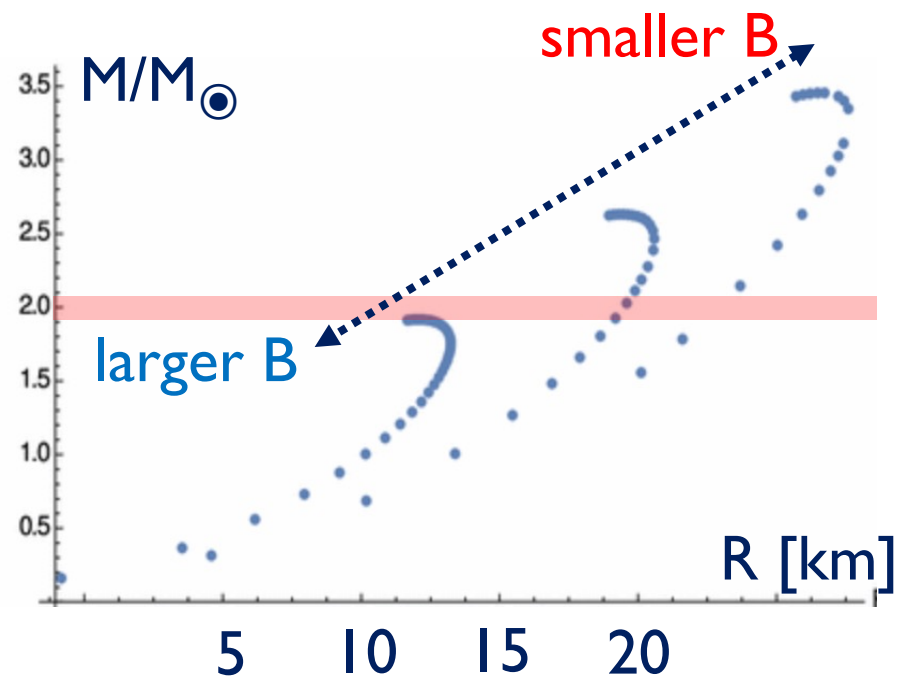


relativistic pressure \rightarrow stiff EOS ?

quark kin. pressure \gg baryon kin. pressure

$O(N_c)$

$O(1/N_c)$



depends on **where** to start...

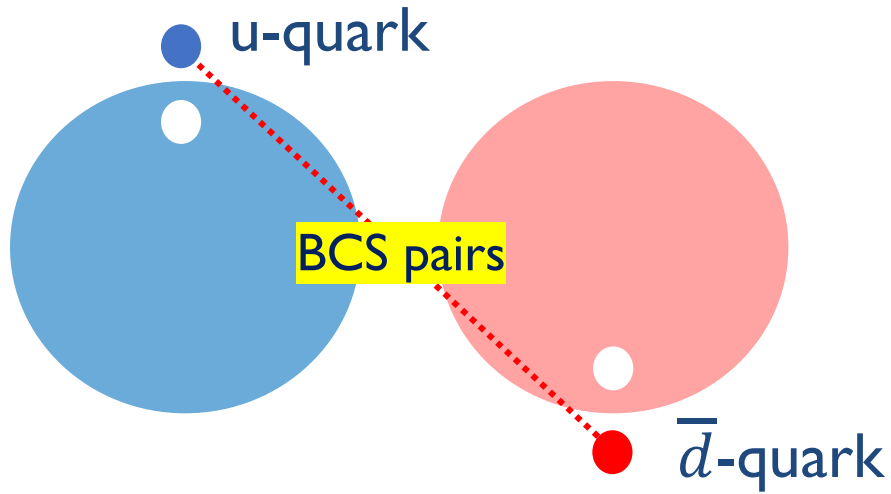
Isospin QCD

isospin chemical pot. $\mu_l = \mu_u = -\mu_d$

$n_0 = 0.16 \text{ fm}^{-3}$

- onset of finite density \rightarrow begin with pions (instead of nucleons)

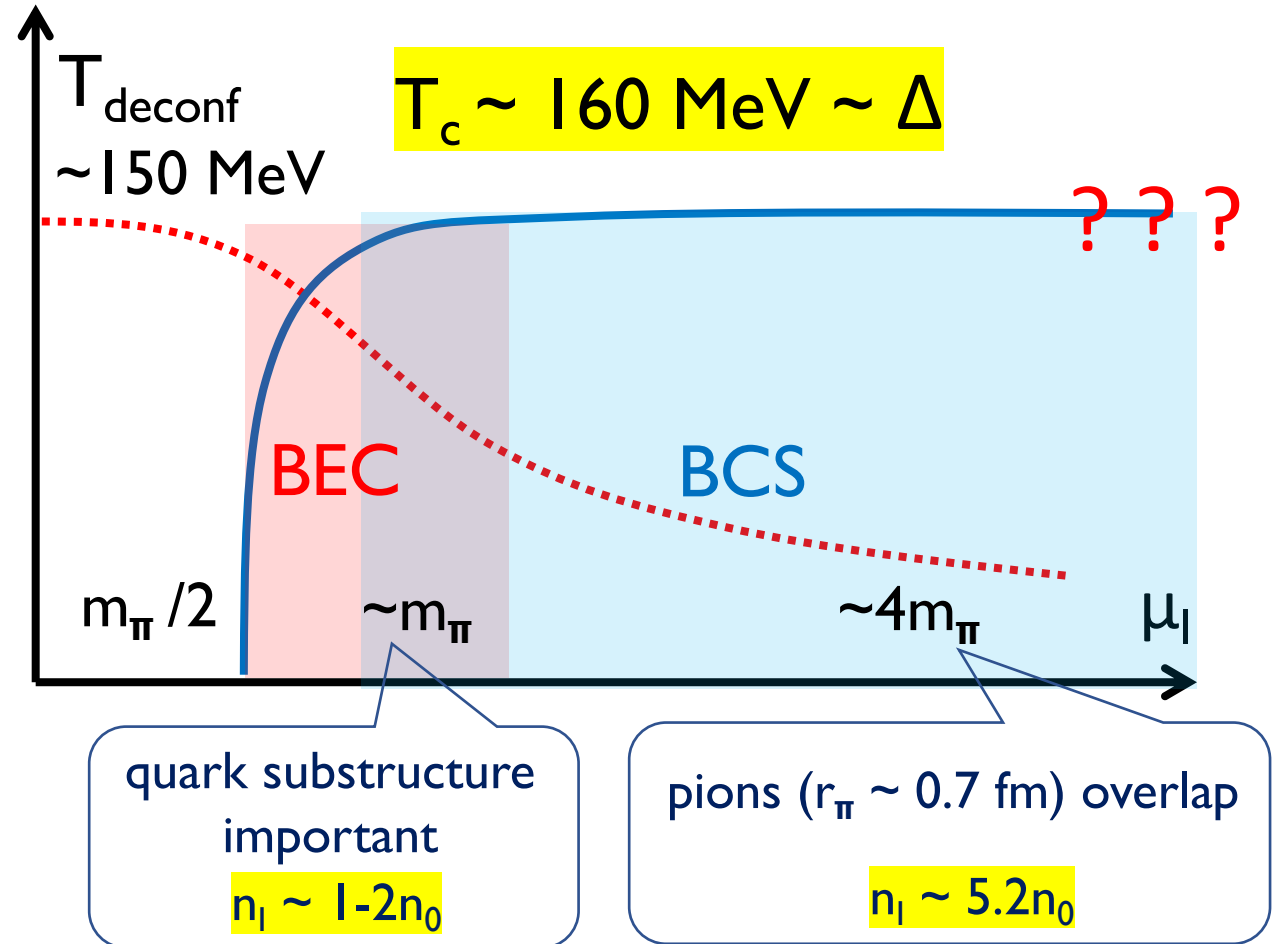
high density



pairing \rightarrow pion cond. π^+ (p-a) & π^- (h-ah)
 \rightarrow quark mass gap Δ

$\sim T_c / 0.57 \sim 280 \text{ MeV}$

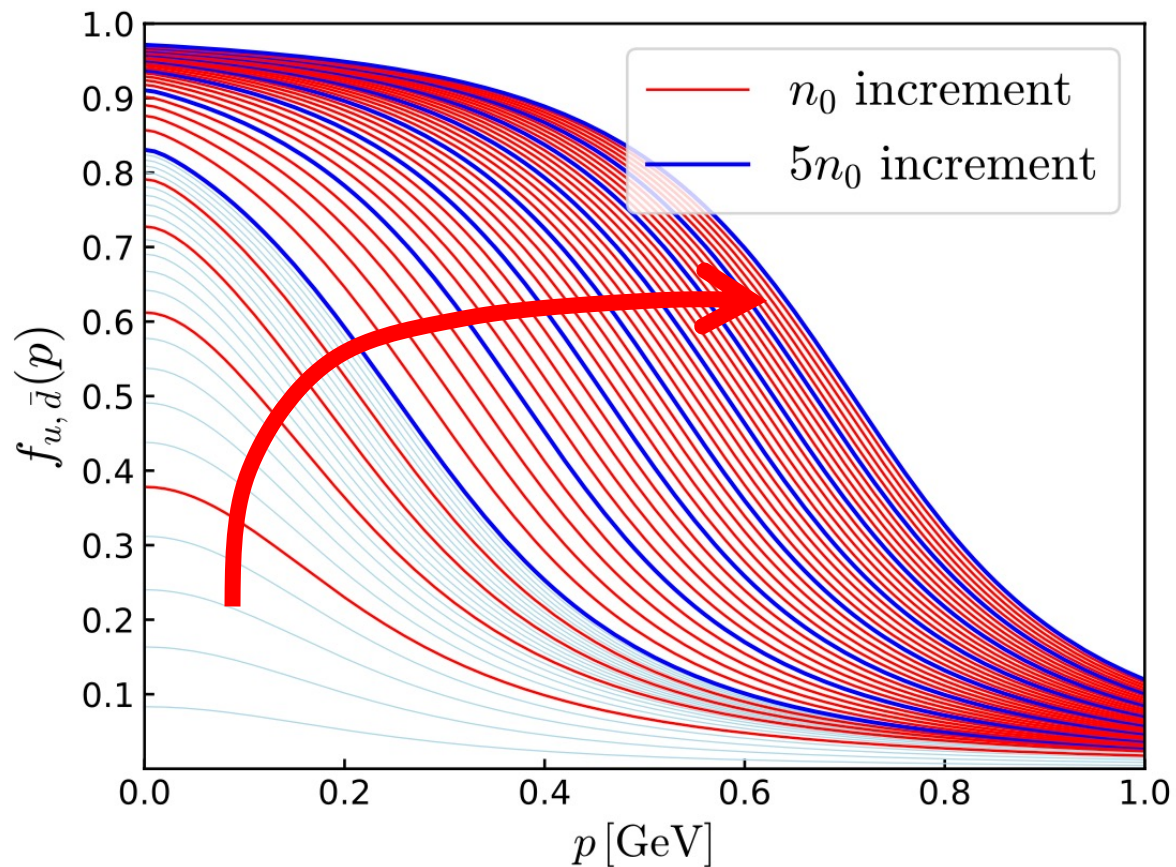
[see also Fujimoto '24]



Hints for new scale & saturation

- BCS occ. probability:

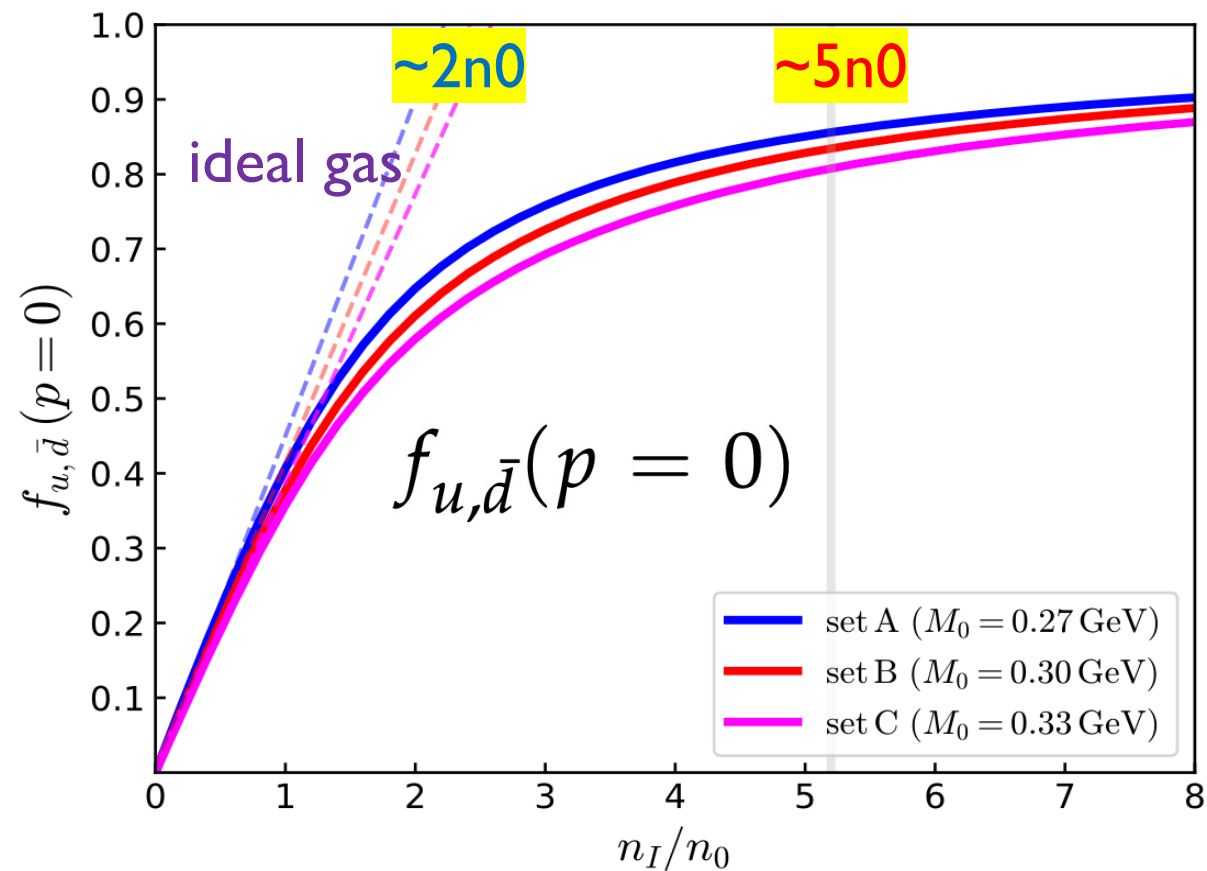
$$f_{u,\bar{d}}(p;n_I) = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{E_l - \mu_I}{\sqrt{(E_l - \mu_I)^2 + \Delta^2}} \right)$$



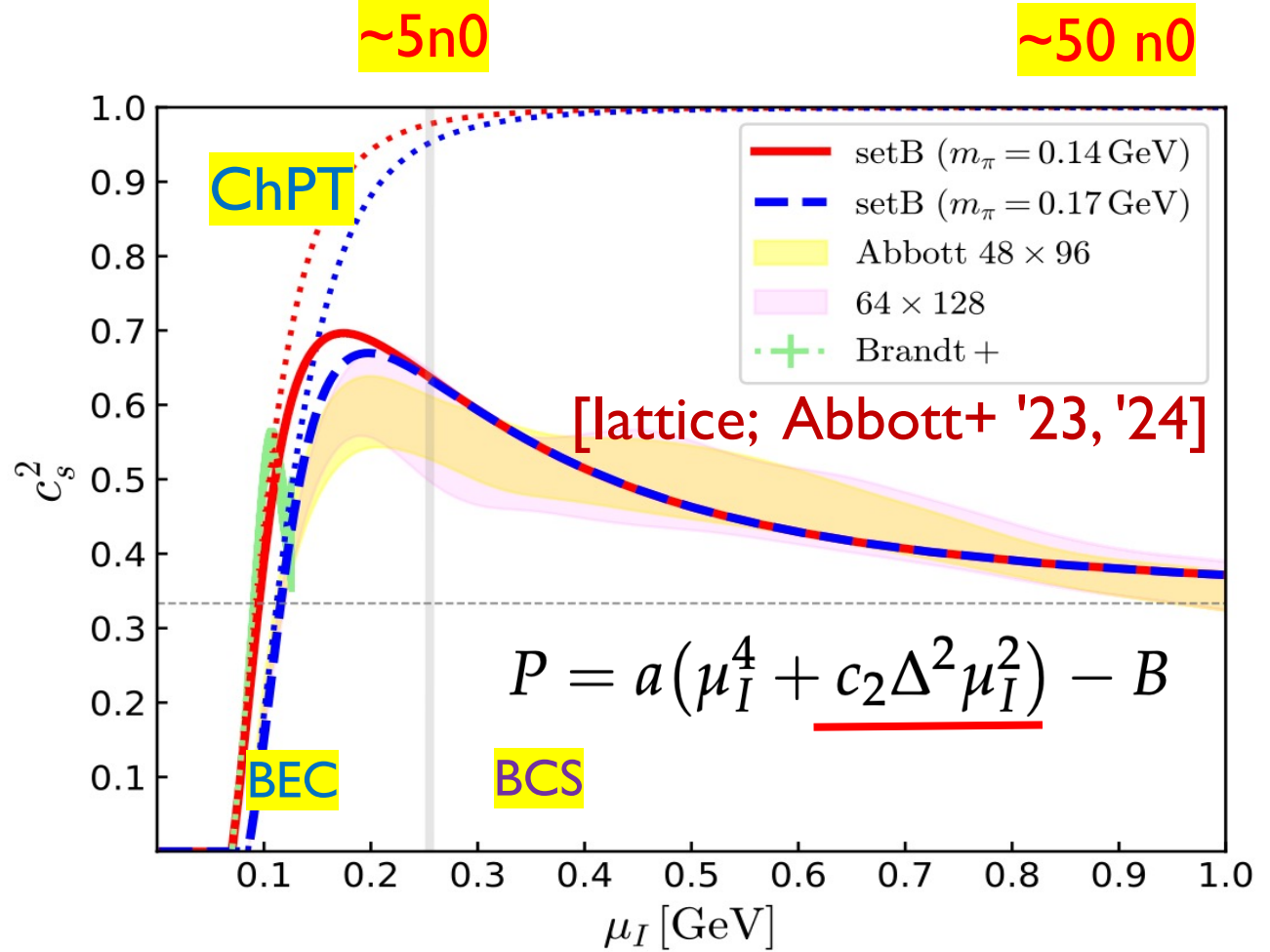
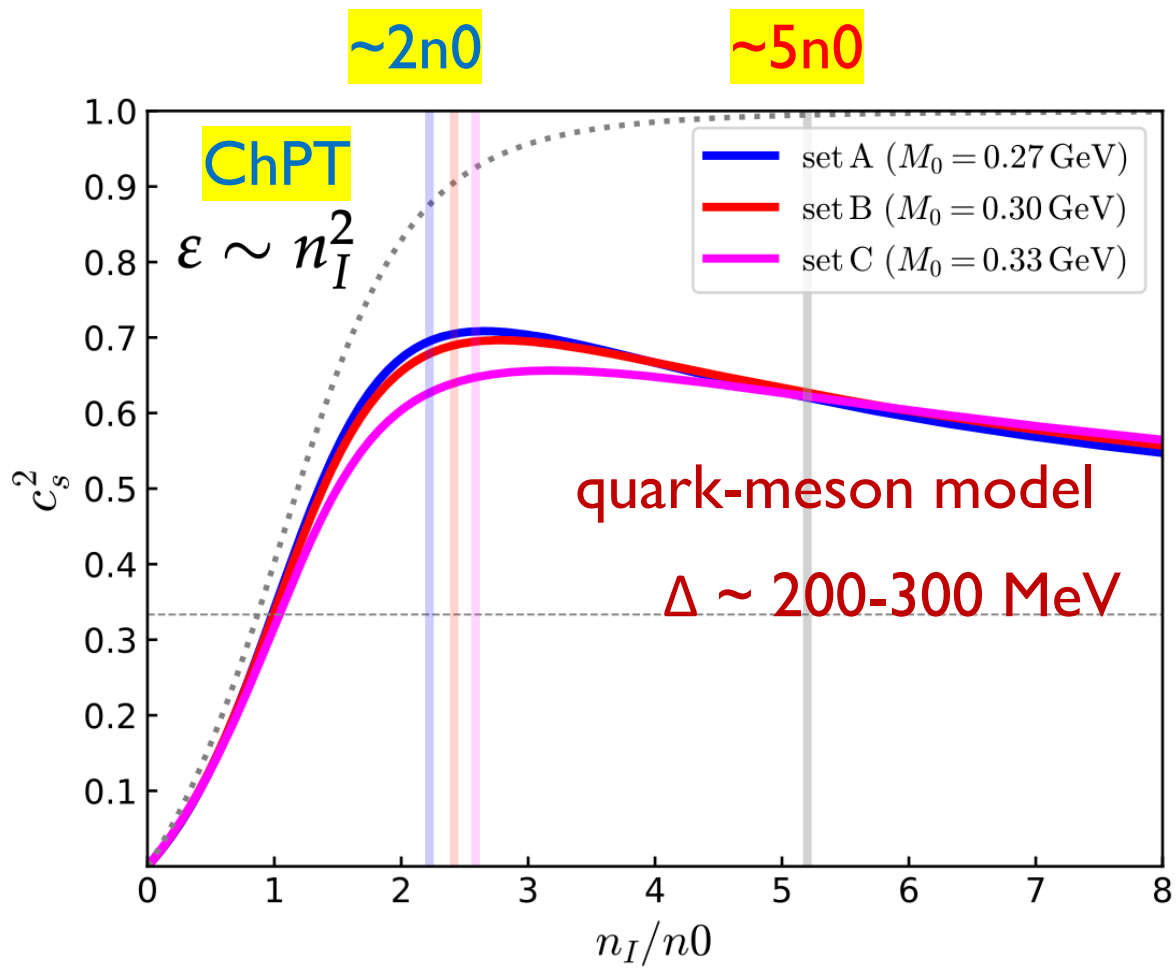
[quark-meson model study, Chiba+ '23; TK+ '24; ...]

ideal pion gas pic.
definitely violated

pions with
 $r \sim 0.66$ fm overlap



Sound speed: quark-meson model, ChPT, and Lattice



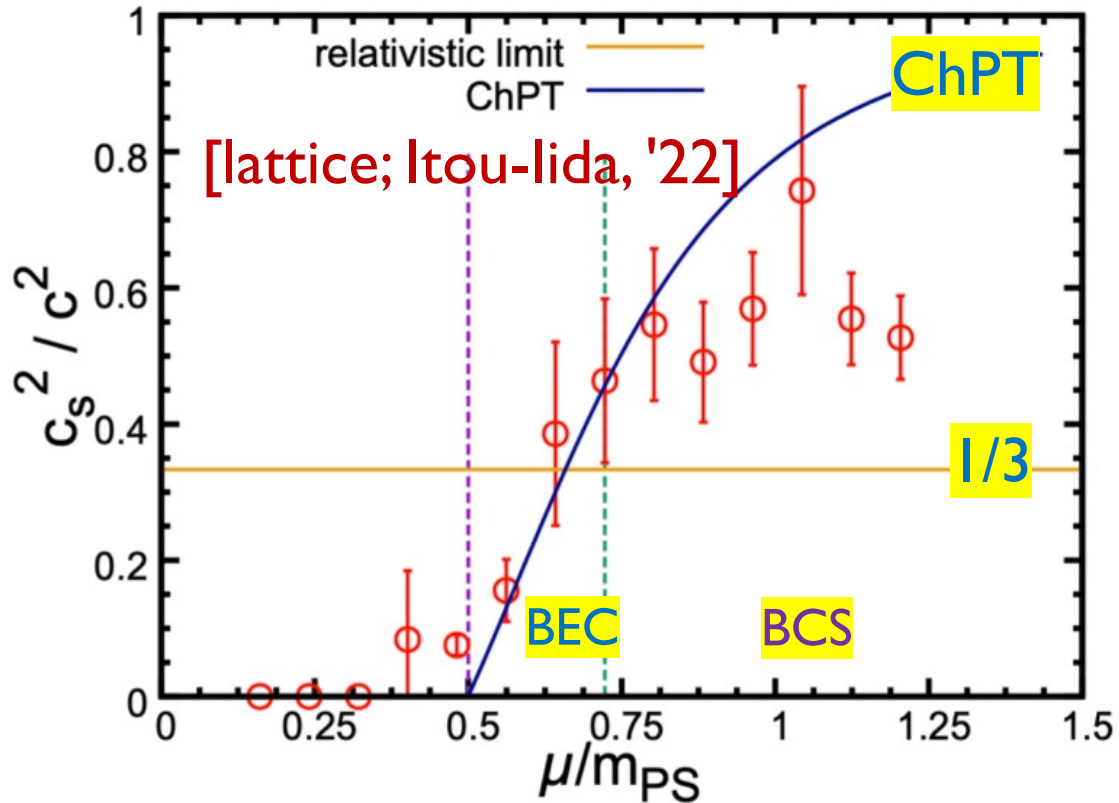
see also two-color QCD, Iida-Itou-Murakami-... ('22, '23, '24)

[model study; TK-Suenaga-Chiba '24]

Examples from QCD-like theories

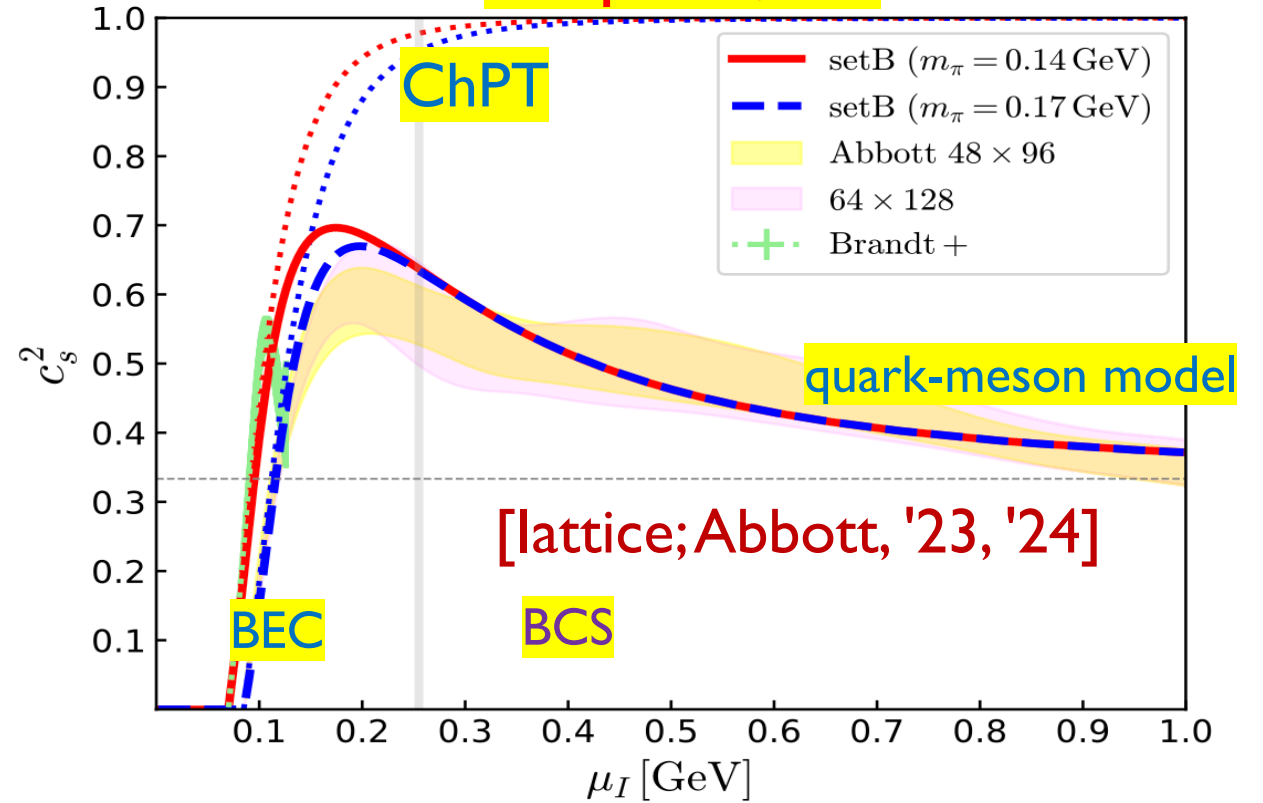
tests on the lattice

2-color QCD



[model study, TK-Suenaga '21]

isospin QCD



[model study, Chiba-TK '23; TK-Suenaga-Chiba '24]

Peak in the BEC-BCS type crossover

Stiff quark matter

The appearance of c_s^2 peak is **characteristic** in the QHC scenarios:

good baseline, but **NOT necessarily sufficient** for $\sim 2.1-2.3M_\odot$ NS.

(just after the crossover, quarks are **not fully relativistic**.)

Can the **chiral restoration** stiffens EOS by making quarks relativistic?

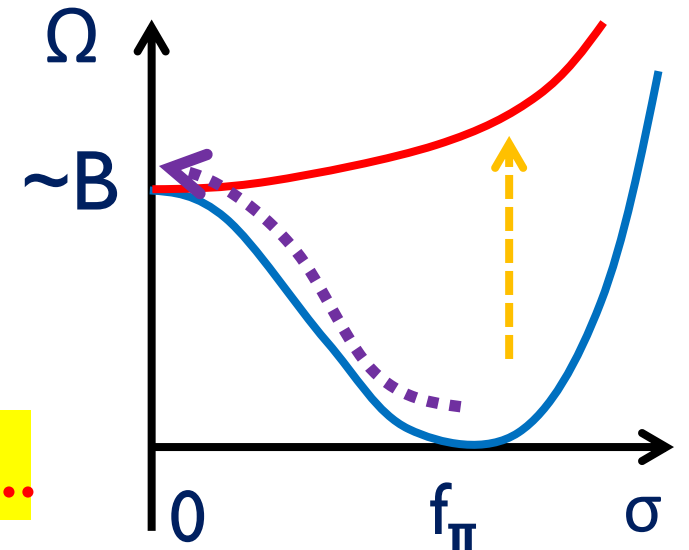
Unlikely: “the bag constant” from the Dirac sea

$$\varepsilon \rightarrow \varepsilon + B$$

$$P \rightarrow P - B$$

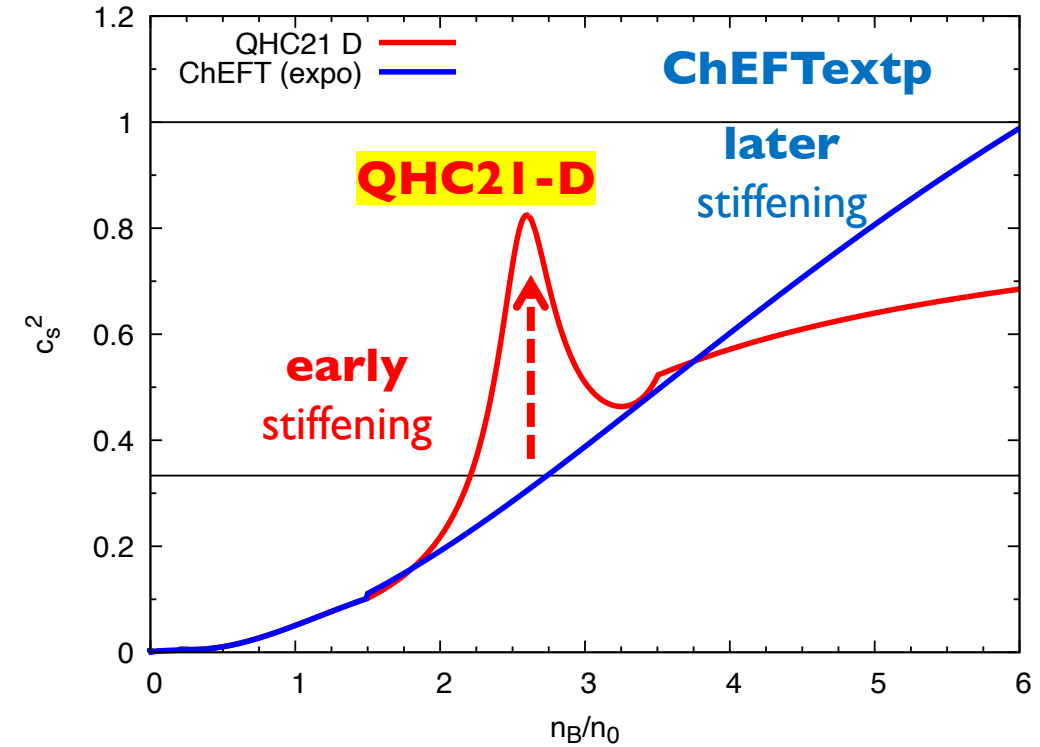
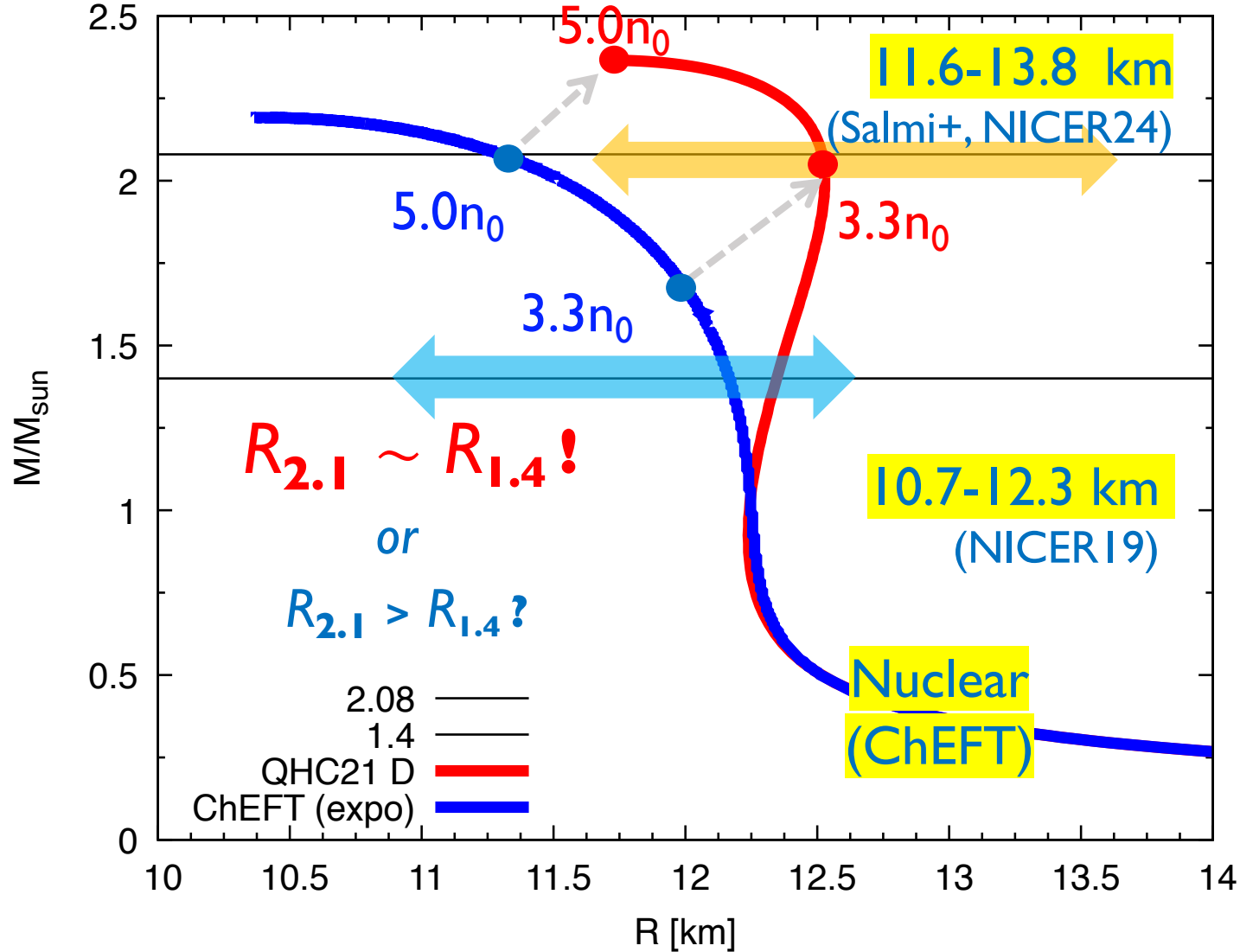
significant softening!

At this stage, we begin to discuss **interactions...**



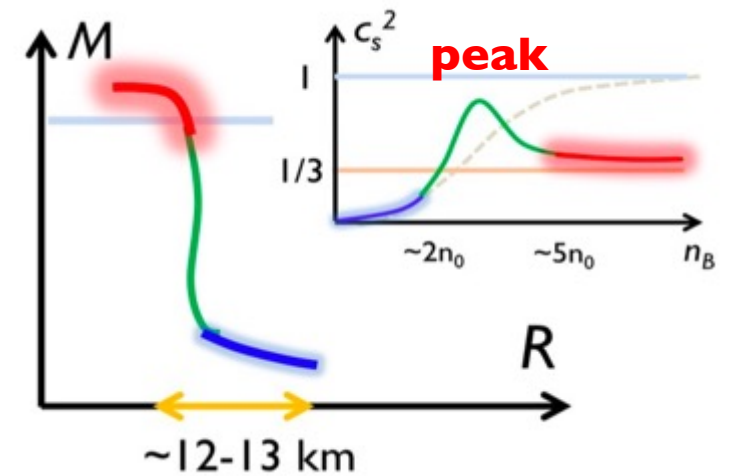
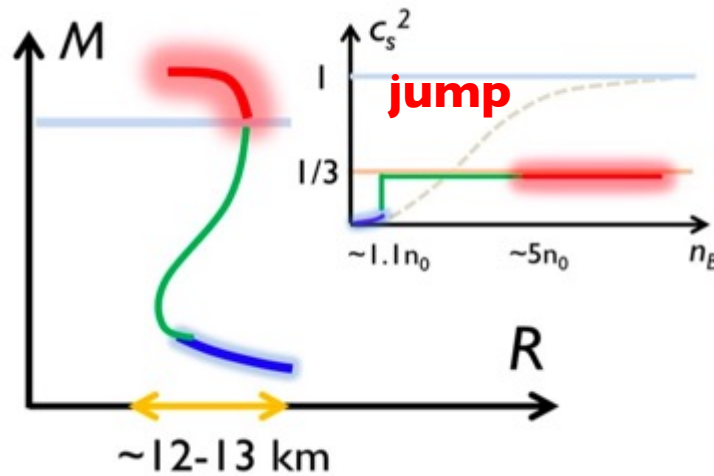
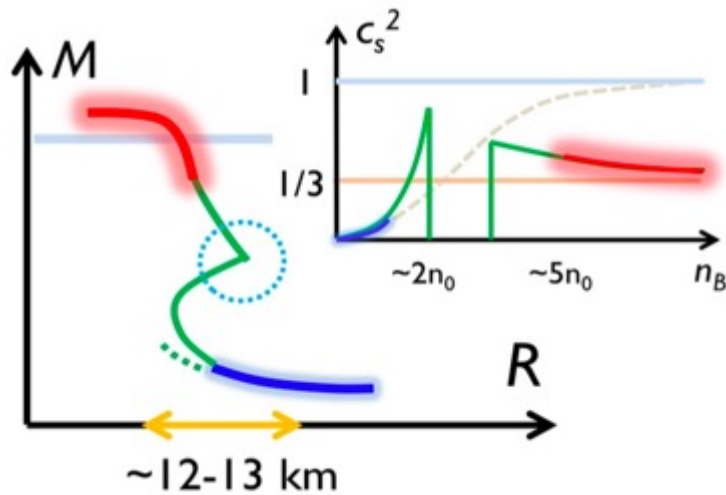
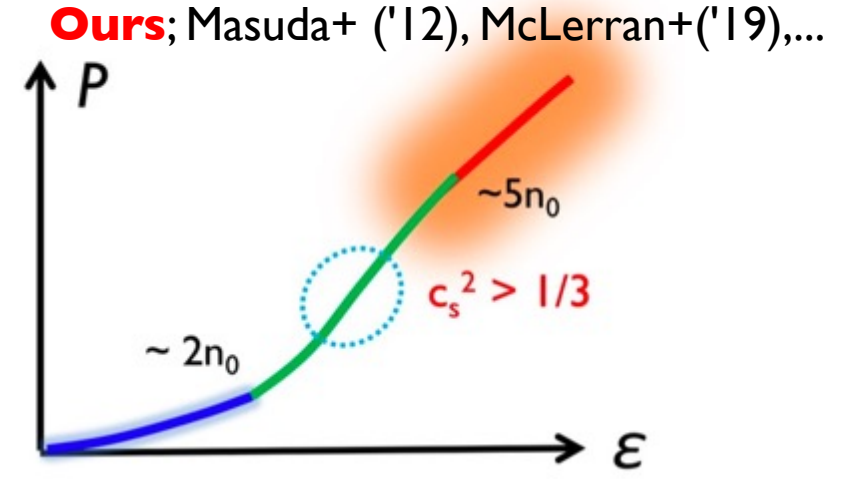
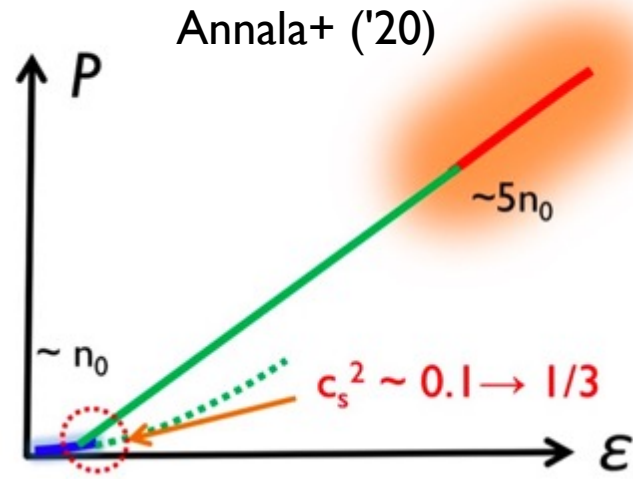
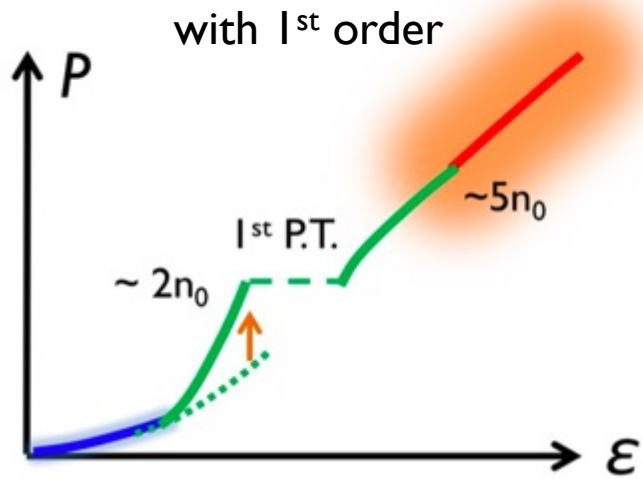
Early vs later stiffening: QHC21 vs ChEFTexp

[TK-Hatsuda-Baym '21]



2-3 n_0 : already beyond
 purely nucleonic regime?

Three possible scenarios



→ $R_{1.4}$ and $R_{2.1}$?

→ nuclear physics ?

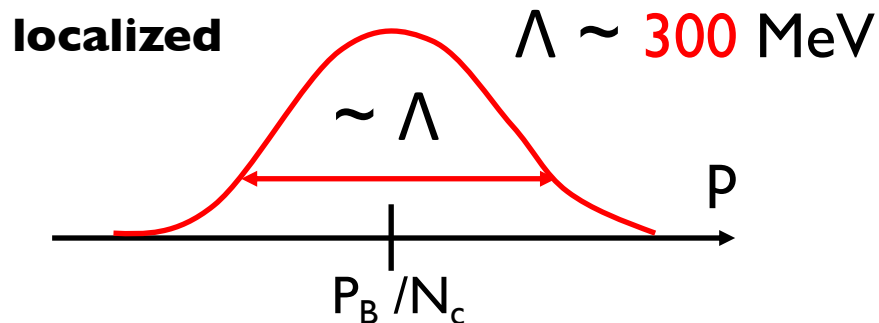
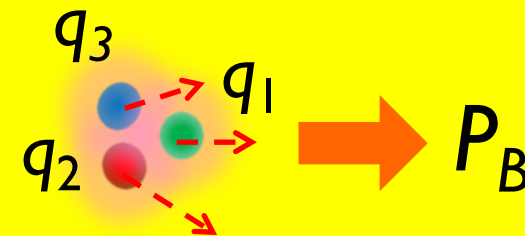
→ **my favorite**

Quarks in a baryon

$N_c (=3)$: number of colors

probability density:

$$\varphi(\mathbf{q}; \mathbf{P}_B) = \mathcal{N} e^{-\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \left(\mathbf{q} - \frac{\mathbf{P}_B}{N_c} \right)^2}$$



variance: $\left\langle \left(\mathbf{p} - \frac{\mathbf{P}_B}{N_c} \right)^2 \right\rangle \sim \Lambda^2$ **energetic !**

\rightarrow large **“mechanical”** pressure

$$\langle E_q(\mathbf{p}) \rangle_{\mathbf{P}_B} = \mathcal{N} \int_{\mathbf{p}} E_q(\mathbf{p}) e^{-\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \left(\mathbf{p} - \frac{\mathbf{P}_B}{N_c} \right)^2} \simeq \underbrace{\langle E_q(\mathbf{p}) \rangle_{\mathbf{P}_B=0}}_{\times N_c} + \frac{1}{6} \underbrace{\left\langle \frac{\partial^2 E_q}{\partial p_i \partial p_i} \right\rangle_{\mathbf{P}_B=0}}_{\times N_c} \left(\frac{\mathbf{P}_B}{N_c} \right)^2 + \dots$$

average energy (quark)

$\sim N_c (M_q + E_{\text{kin}})$

baryon mass

\gg

$\sim P_B^2 / (N_c E_q)$

baryon kin. energy

Quantum numbers ?

quark quantum numbers; N_c , N_f , 2-spins (for a given spatial w.f.)

how many **baryon species** are needed to saturate quark states?

→ need only **$2N_f = 6$** species for $N_f = 3$

(full members of singlet, octet, decuplet are **NOT** necessary)

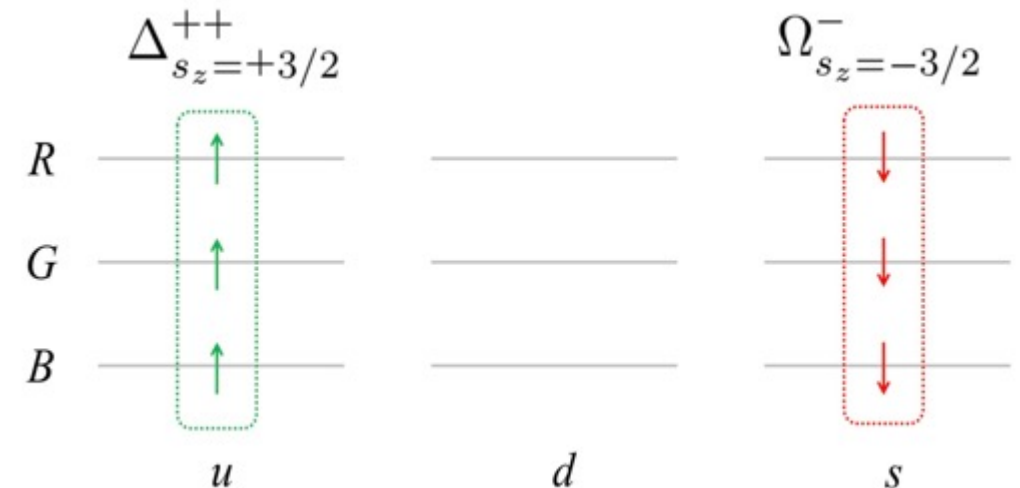
convenient **color-flavor-spin** bases

[neglect N- Δ splitting etc. for simplicity]

$$\Delta_{s_z=\pm 3/2}^{++} = [u_R \uparrow u_G \uparrow u_B \uparrow], [u_R \downarrow u_G \downarrow u_B \downarrow],$$

$$\Delta_{s_z=\pm 3/2}^- = [d_R \uparrow d_G \uparrow d_B \uparrow], [d_R \downarrow d_G \downarrow d_B \downarrow],$$

$$\Omega_{s_z=\pm 3/2}^- = [s_R \uparrow s_G \uparrow s_B \uparrow], [s_R \downarrow s_G \downarrow s_B \downarrow],$$



Color-magnetic interaction play **many** roles

1) **Coupling** \propto **velocity** $\sim p/E$

become important in **relativistic regime & high density**

2) **Pairing**: strongly channel dependent

hadron mass ordering: N- Δ , etc. [DeRujula+ (1975), Isgur-Karl (1978), ...]

color-super-conductivity [Alford, Wilczek, Rajagopal, Schafer, ... 1998-]

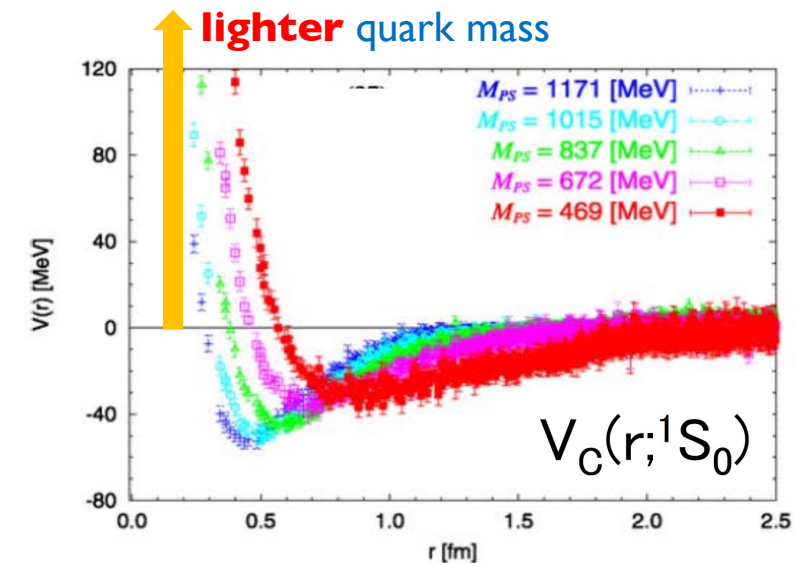
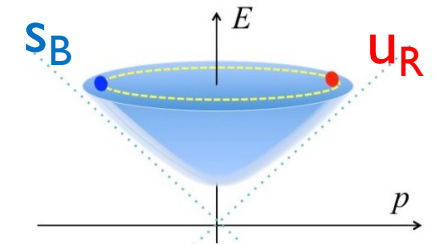
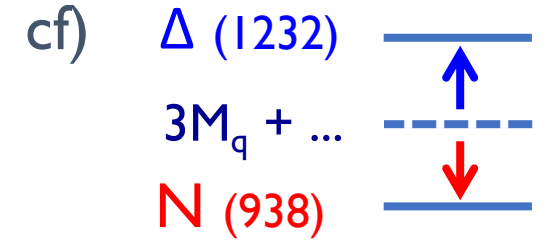
3) **Baryon-Baryon int.**: **short-range** correlation

(**Pauli + color-mag.**) [Oka-Yazaki (1980), ...]

channel dep. \rightarrow **non-universal** hard core (some are **attractive!**)

mass dep. \rightarrow **stronger** hard core in **relativistic** quarks

\rightarrow **consistent with the lattice QCD** [HAL-collaboration]

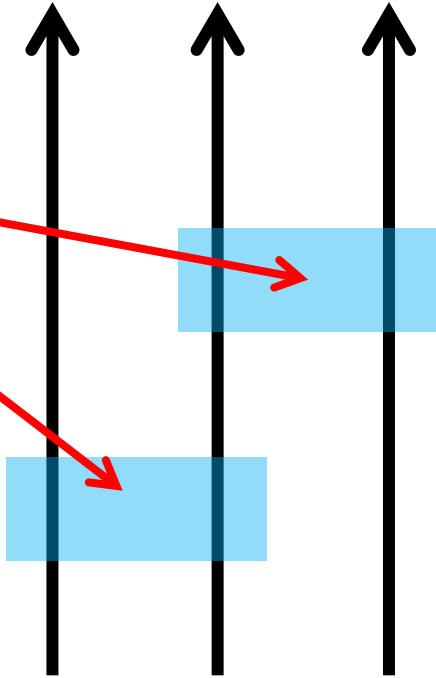


a baryon in dilute regime

(color-singlet)

(always) color-antisymmetric

(attractive electric int.)



e.g., nucleons

$$M_N \sim 3M_q + \underbrace{\text{kin.}} + \text{color-EM}$$

~ 940MeV

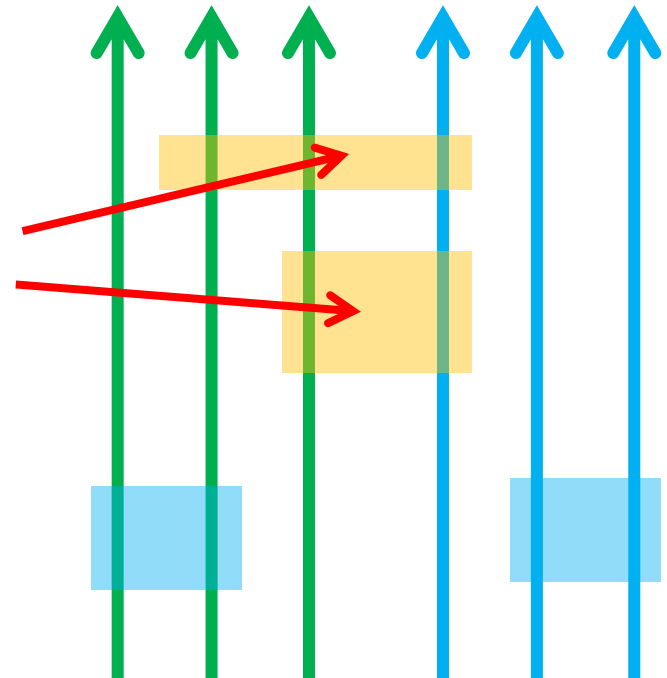
~ 1100MeV

~ -150-200MeV

in dense regime

sometimes color-symmetric

(repulsive)



more chances to feel repulsion

EoS with interactions

cf) [TK '21, TK-Suenaga '21]

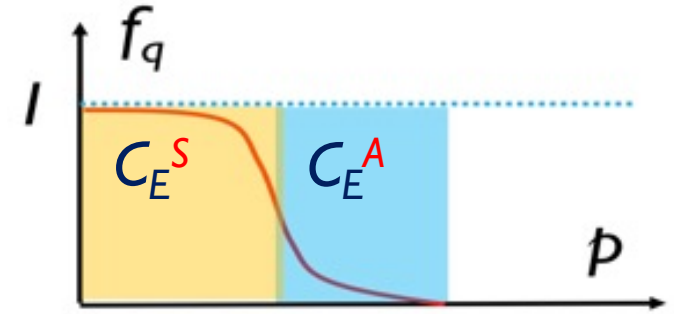
e.g.,
$$\mathcal{V}[f_Q] = -C_E^A [1 - (f_Q)^n] + C_E^S (f_Q)^n$$

→ 1 (dilute)

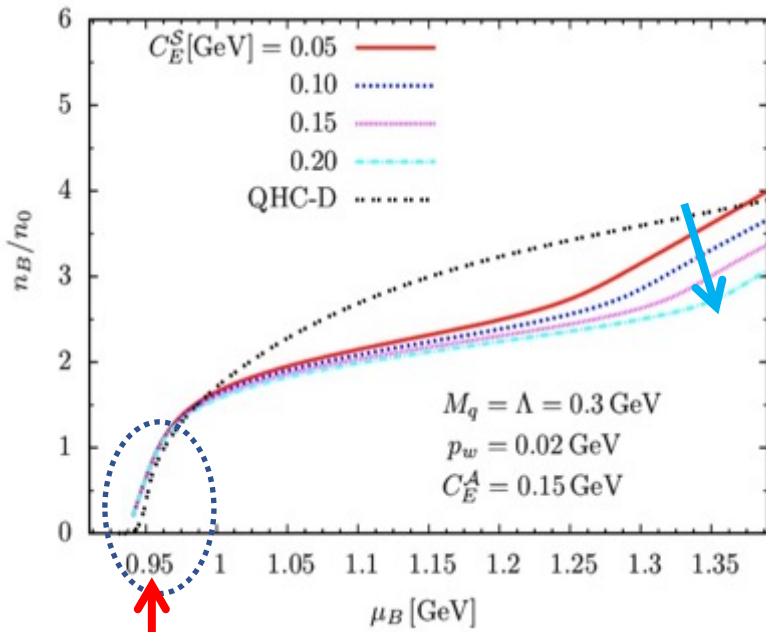
→ 0 (dilute)

→ 0 (dense)

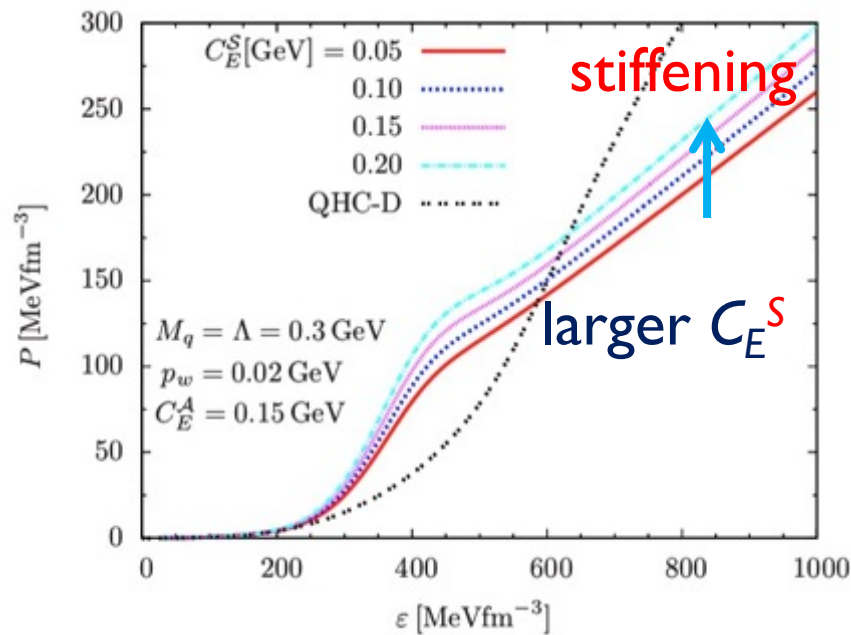
→ 1 (dense)



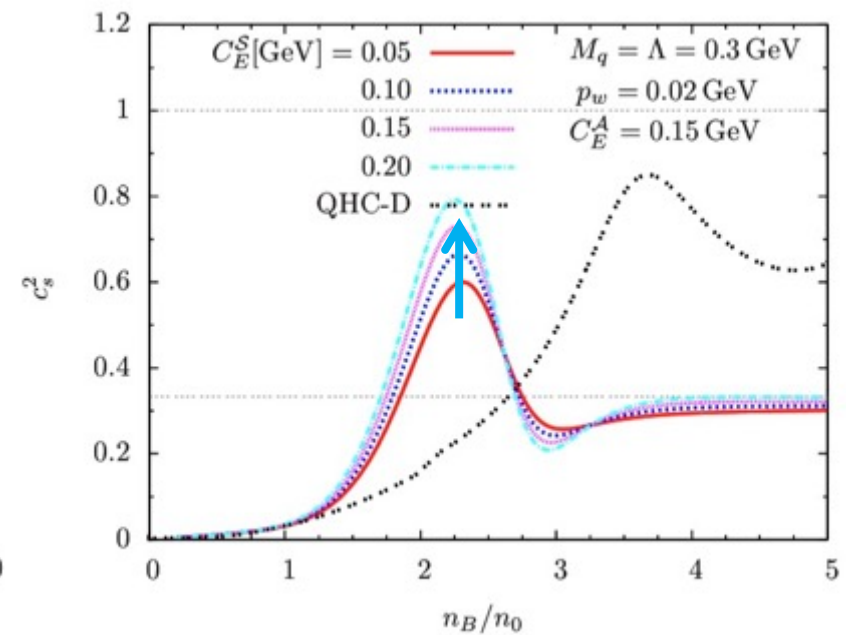
repulsive attractive



adjust C_E^A (fit $M_B = 939$ MeV)



high density stiffening



stronger peak in c_s

Important relations

sum rule single baryon contain single R- or G- or B- quark

$$n_q^{R,G,B} = \int_{\mathbf{p}} f_q(p) = \int_{\mathbf{p}} \left(\int_{\mathbf{P}_B} \mathcal{B}(P_B) \underline{Q_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{P}_B)} \right) = \int_{\mathbf{P}_B} \mathcal{B}(P_B) = n_B$$

energy density

$$E_B(P_B) \equiv N_c \int_{\mathbf{p}} E_q(\mathbf{p}) Q_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{P}_B)$$

$$\varepsilon = \int_{\mathbf{P}_B} \underline{E_B(P_B)} \mathcal{B}(P_B) = N_c \int_{\mathbf{P}_B} \left(\int_{\mathbf{p}} E_q(\mathbf{p}) \underline{Q_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{P}_B)} \right) \mathcal{B}(P_B) = N_c \int_{\mathbf{p}} E_q(\mathbf{p}) \underline{f_q(p)}$$

Dual expression: one can freely switch descriptions

No double counting

Finite-T model

Hadron Resonance Gas model for quark distribution

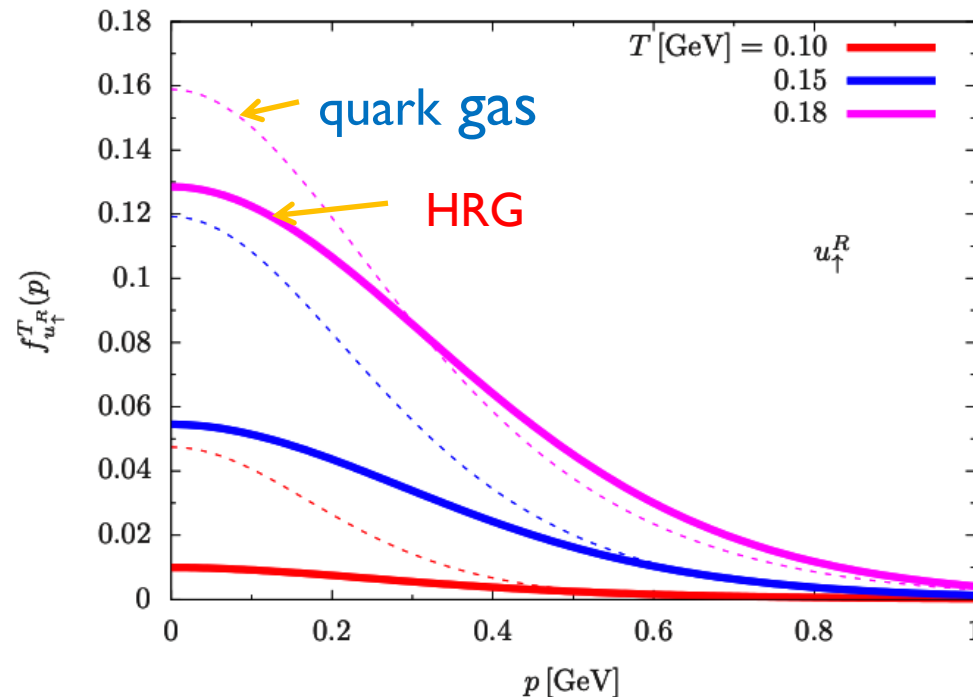
see [TK-Suenaga, '22]

$$f_{\mathbf{q}}^T(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_h \int_{\mathbf{P}_h} n_h^T(\mathbf{P}_h) Q_{\text{in}}^{hq}(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{P}_h)$$

$$n_h^T(\mathbf{P}_h) = [e^{E_h(\mathbf{P}_h)/T} - 1]^{-1}$$

- calculate quark w.f. for mesons up to $L = 3$, $n_r = 4$; $E < \sim 2.5$ GeV

	$n_r^{2S+1} L_J$	M_{exp}	M_{cal}	\bar{P}^2	$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle}$	f_S	α_s
π	$1^1 S_0$	0.14	0.16	0.47	0.50	0.70	0.80
	$2^1 S_0$	1.30	1.28	0.43	0.98		
	$3^1 S_0$	1.81	1.82	0.55	1.38		
	$4^1 S_0$	2.07**	2.22	0.67	1.66		
ρ	$1^3 S_1$	0.78	0.76	0.21	0.66	0.74	0.80
	$2^3 S_1$	1.47	1.44	0.35	1.17		
	$3^3 S_1$	1.91*	1.87	0.48	1.55		
	$4^1 S_1$	2.27**	2.22	0.61	1.83		
K	$1^1 S_0$	0.49	0.49	0.42	0.49	0.72	0.77
	$2^1 S_0$	1.46*	1.46	0.45	0.98		
K^*	$1^3 S_1$	0.89	0.91	0.24	0.63	0.75	0.77
	$2^3 S_1$	1.41	1.54	0.39	1.10		



quark gas \sim HRG

at ~ 0.15 - 0.18 GeV