

# Recent results from lattice QCD on the phase diagram

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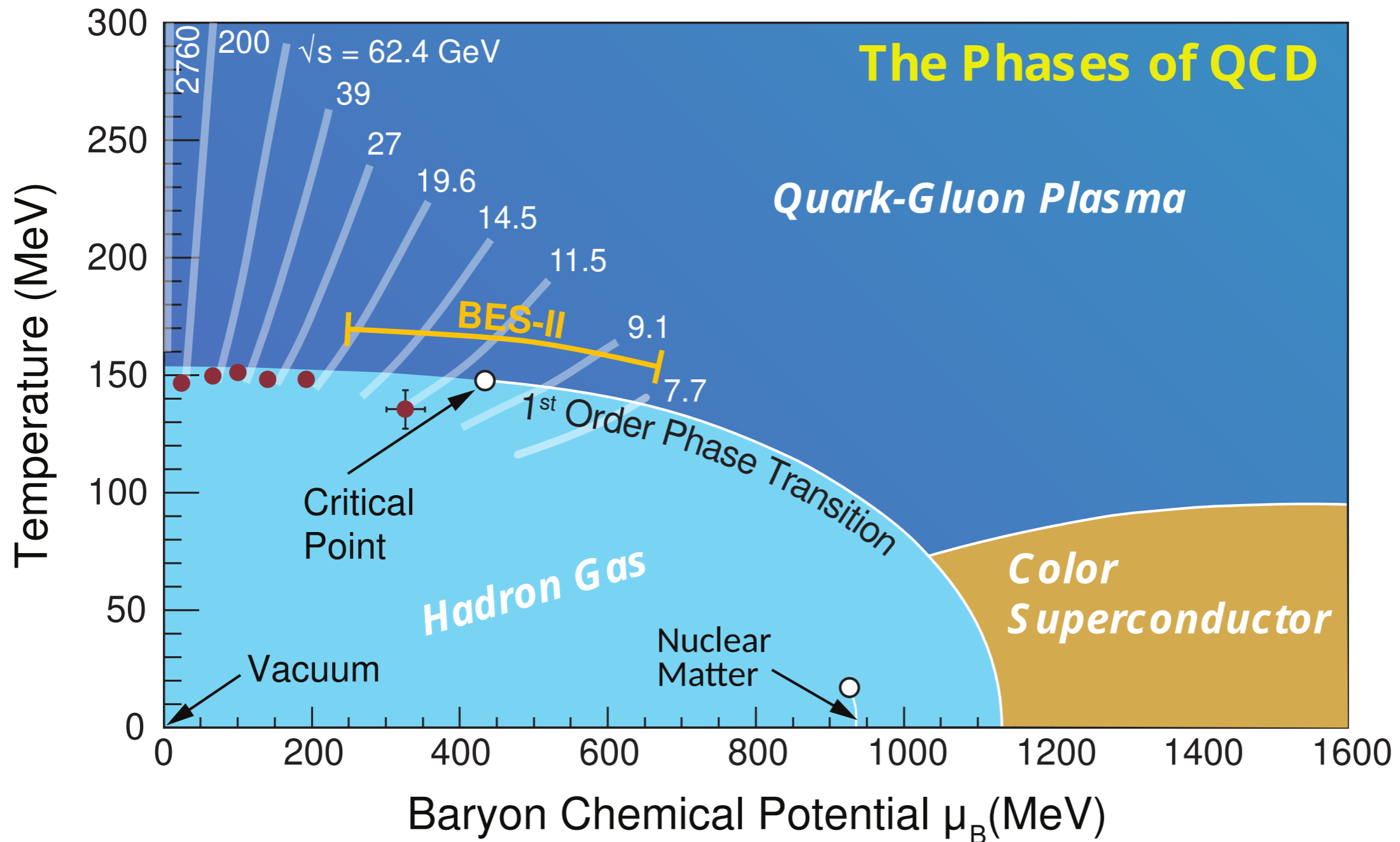


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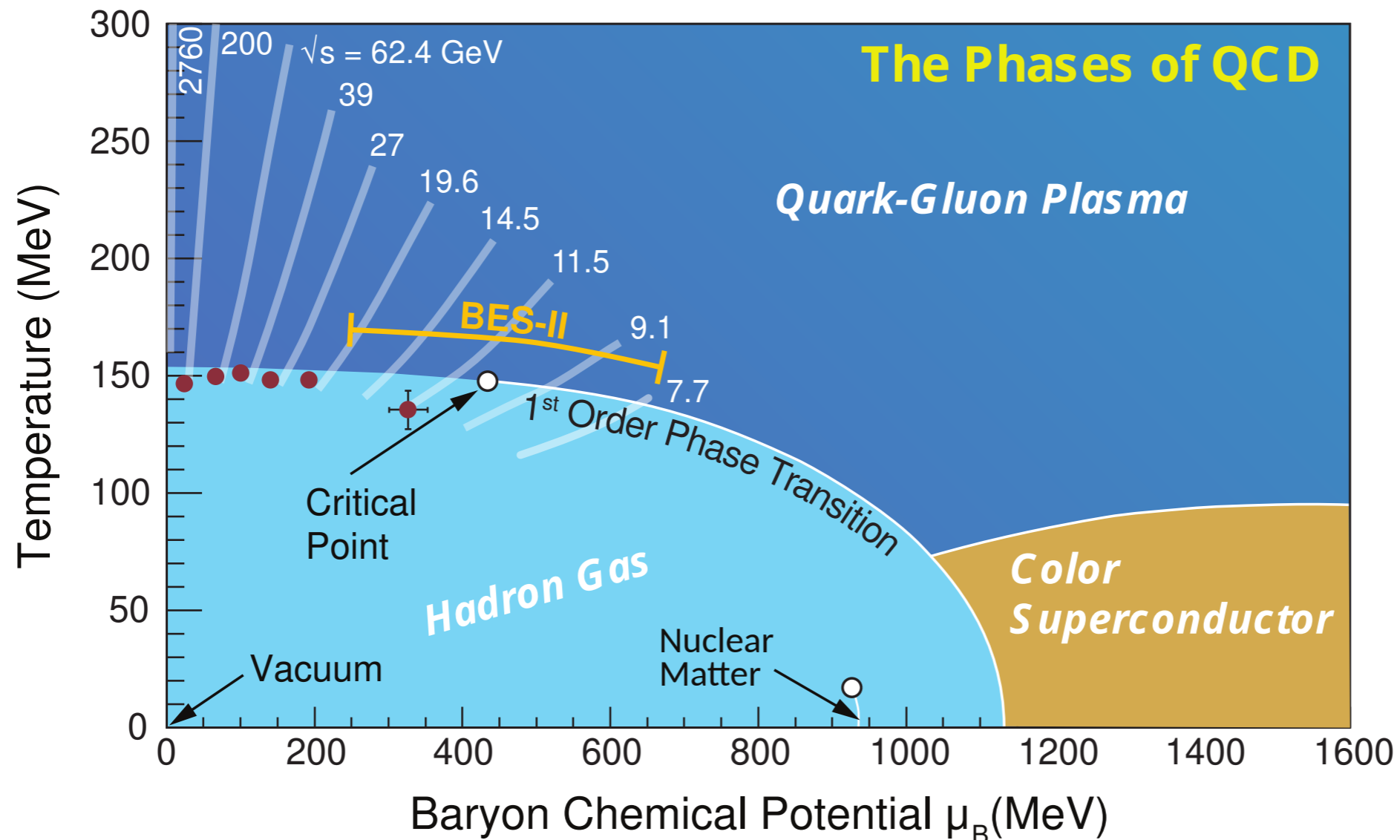
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**Motivation: Understand the thermodynamics at the QCD chiral transition and exploration of the QCD phase diagram with lattice QCD numerical simulation.**

# Chemical potential on the lattice

Partition function for (2+1)-flavor QCD,

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Continuum prescription, Divergence for the free fermion case in second order susceptibility:  $\chi_2 \sim 1/a^2$

The prescription for chemical potential on the lattice,

$$(1 \pm \gamma_4)U_{\pm 4}(x) \rightarrow (1 \pm \gamma_4)e^{\pm \hat{\mu}}U_{\pm 4}(x) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{P. Hasenfratz, F. Karsch, Phys.Lett.B 125 (1983) 308-310} \\ \text{R. V. Gavai, Phys. Rev. D 32, 519} \end{array}$$

No additional divergences appear in the interacting theory.

[Steven Gottlieb, W. Liu, D. Toussaint, R. L. Renken, and R. L. Sugar, Phys. Rev. Lett. 59, 2247.](#)  
[Rajiv V. Gavai, Sayantan Sharma, Phys.Lett.B 749 \(2015\) 8-13](#)

Sign problem for,  $\mu_f \neq 0$ ,  $f = \{u, d, s\}$ . We use Taylor expansions.

Rajiv V Gavai, Sourendu Gupta, Phys. Rev. D **71**, 114014

Saumen Datta, Rajiv V. Gavai, Sourendu Gupta, arXiv:1210.6784 **[hep-lat]**

# Quark number susceptibility and conserved charge fluctuations in (2+1)-flavor QCD

In QCD with two light ( $u, d$ ) and one strange flavor ( $s$ ), pressure is expressed via a Taylor expansion as,

$$\frac{P}{T^4} = \sum_{i,j,k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_{ijk}^{BQS}}{i!j!k!} \hat{\mu}_B^i \hat{\mu}_Q^j \hat{\mu}_S^k.$$

Generalized susceptibilities at zero chemical potential

In the context of heavy ion collision experiments there are 3 **conserved charges, B, Q and S** that couples to  $\mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S$ ,

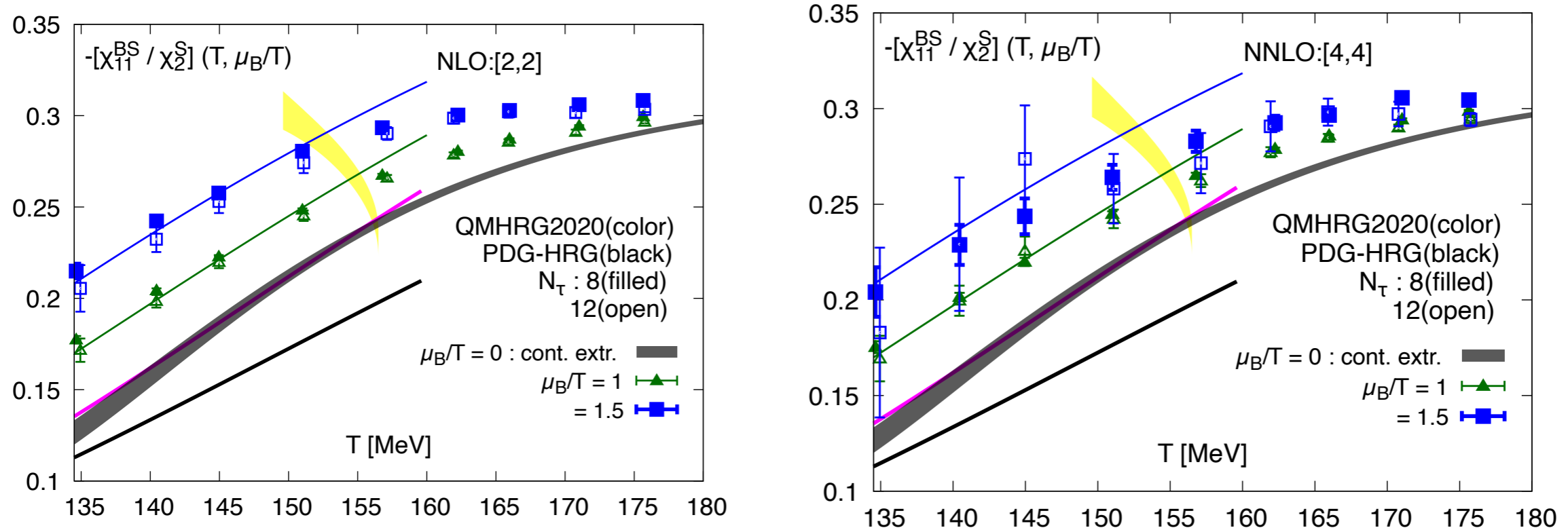
The condition satisfy :  $n_S = 0$  (strangeness neutral) and  $n_Q/n_B = 0.4$

We satisfy this two conditions order by order:

$$\mu_S = s_1 \mu_B + s_3 \mu_B^3 + \dots$$

$$\mu_Q = q_1 \mu_B + q_3 \mu_B^3 + \dots$$

# Baryon strangeness correlations in (2+1)- flavor QCD with HISQ fermions



D. Bollweg et al, Phys.Rev.D 110 (2024) 5, 054519

The pseudo critical line from lattice QCD,

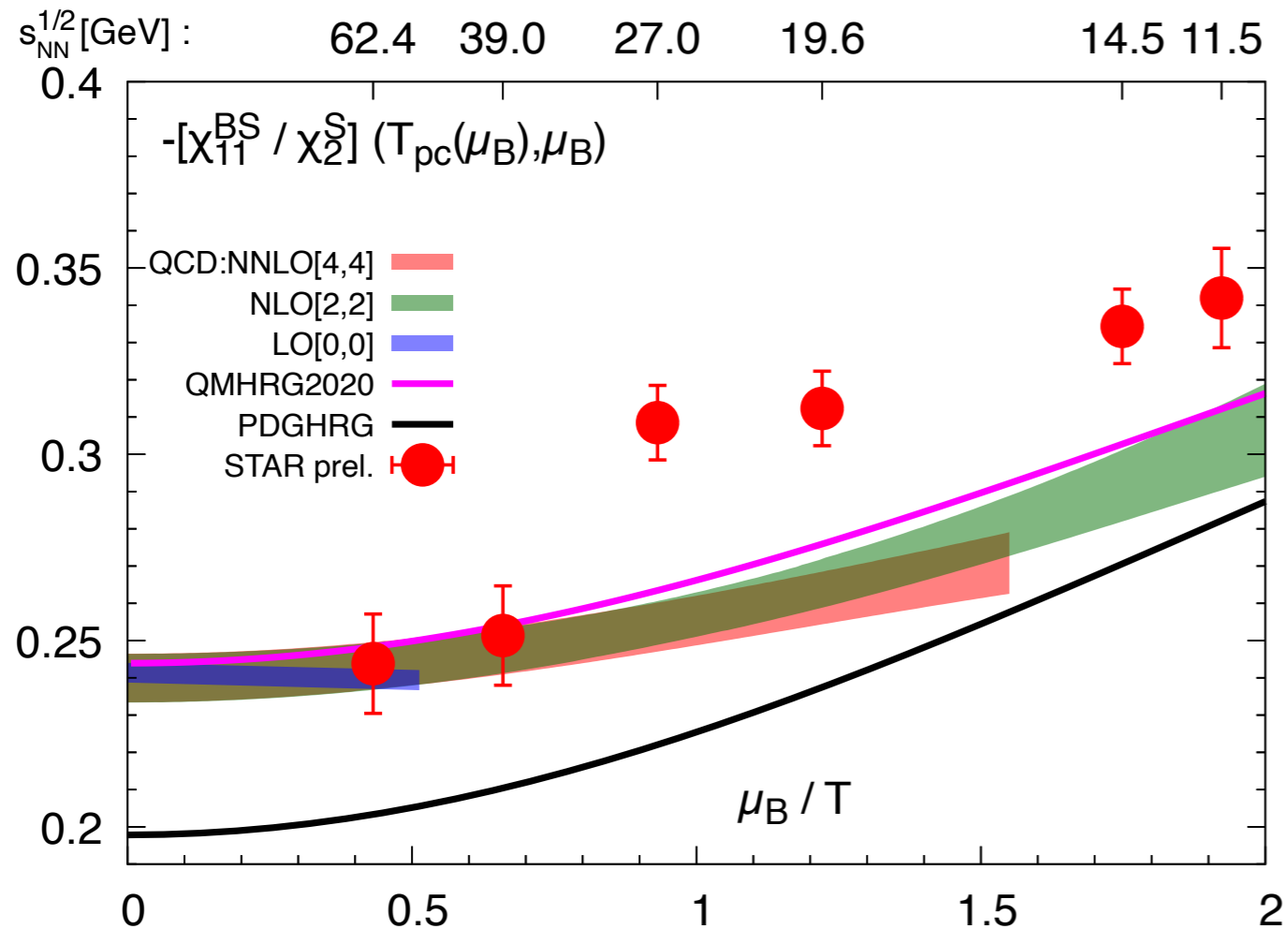
$$T_{pc}(\mu_B) = T_{pc,0} \left[ 1 - \kappa_2 \hat{\mu}_B^2 + \kappa_4 \hat{\mu}_B^4 \right]$$

A. Bazavov et al. (HotQCD), Phys. Lett. B 795, 15 (2019);  
B. S. Borsanyi et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 052001 (2020)

$$T_{pc,0} = (156.5 \pm 1.5) \text{ MeV} \quad \text{and} \quad \kappa_2 = 0.012(4)$$

$$\frac{\chi_{11}^{BS}(T, \mu_B/T)}{\chi_2^S(T, \mu_B/T)} = \frac{\chi_{11}^{BS}(T, 0) + \langle \rangle \hat{\mu}_B^2 + \langle \rangle \hat{\mu}_B^4 + \dots}{\chi_2^S(T, 0) + \langle \rangle \hat{\mu}_B^2 + \langle \rangle \hat{\mu}_B^4 + \dots}$$

# Baryon-strangeness correlations



QCD and STAR results are in good agreement for  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \geq 39$  GeV.

Significant differences between QCD and STAR results for  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \leq 27$  GeV.

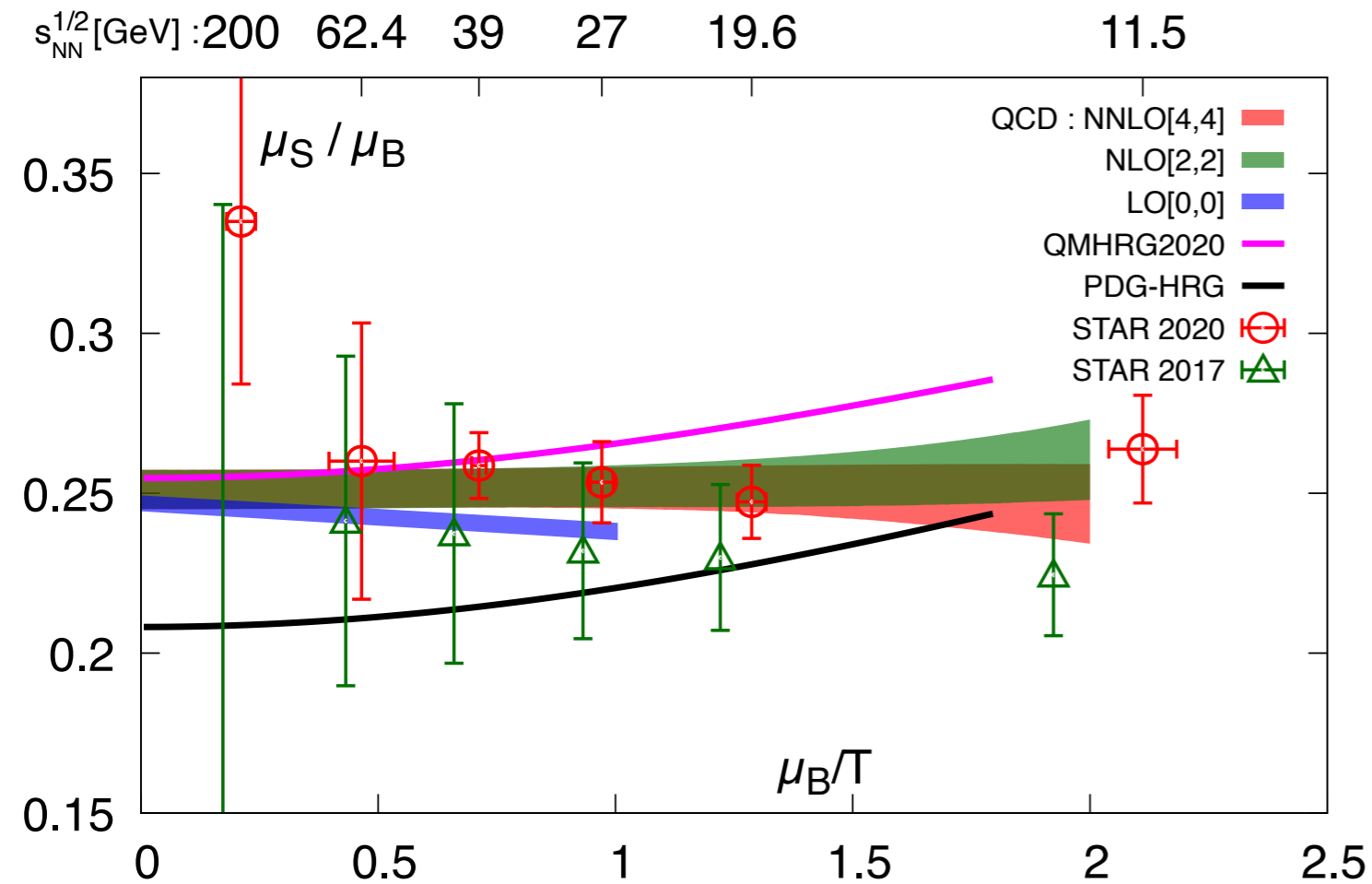
The Lattice results agree more closely with the QMHRG2020 predictions.

**HotQCD 2024 : *Phys.Rev.D* 110 (2024);**

**STAR results : CPOD2024**



# Ratio of $\mu_S/\mu_B$



J. Adam et al. (STAR), Phys. Rev. C 102, 034909 (2020);  
L. Adamczyk et al. (STAR), Phys. Rev. C 96, 044904 (2017)

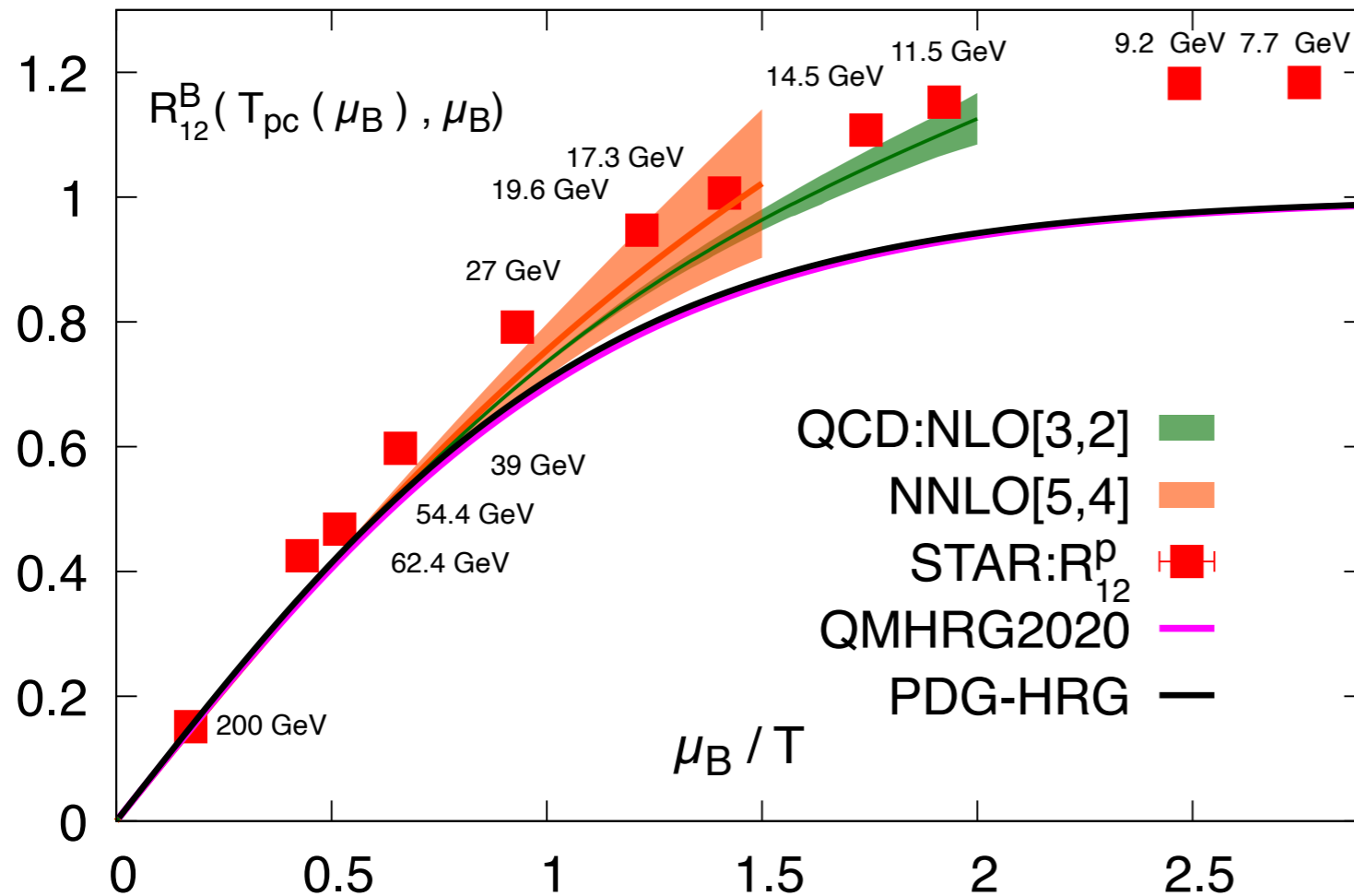
QCD and STAR results are in good agreement for almost all the beam energies.

Significant differences between QCD and STAR results for  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$  GeV.

The Lattice results agree more closely with the QMHRG2020 predictions.



# Baryon number fluctuations



In good agreement with the STAR data down to

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} \simeq 11.5 \text{ GeV}.$$

$R_{12}^p$  becomes larger than

$$\text{unity for } \sqrt{s_{NN}} \simeq 17.3 \text{ GeV}.$$

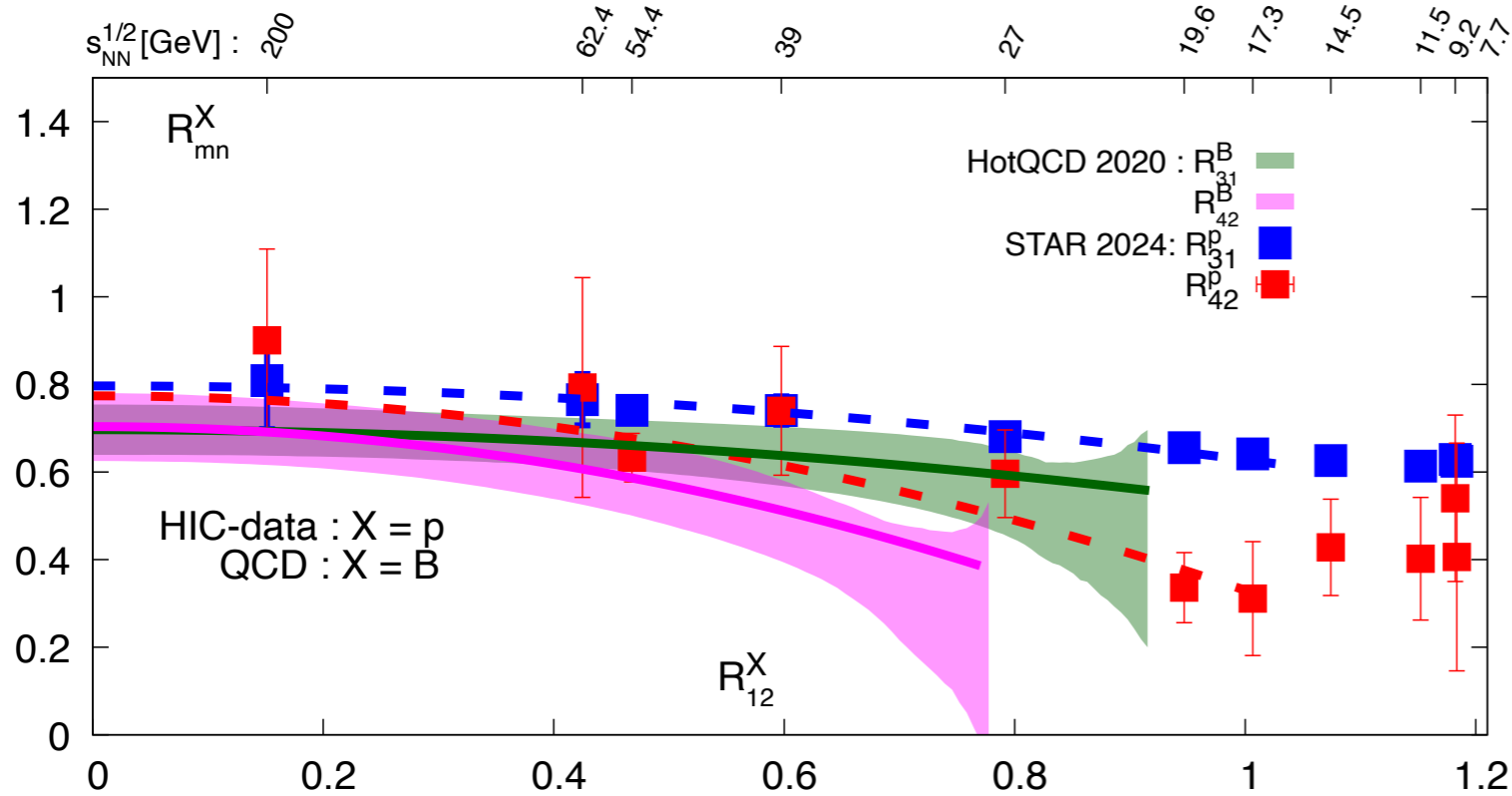
Consistent with QCD but not consistent with non interacting HRG.

$$R_{12}^B = M_B / \sigma_B^2 = \frac{\chi_1^B}{\chi_2^B}$$

HotQCD 2017, 2020 : PRD; Goswami, Karsch , XQCD 2024

STAR results : CPOD2024

# Higher order baryon number fluctuation



$$R_{31}^X = S_0^X + S_2^X (R_{12}^X)^2$$

$$R_{42}^X = K_0^X + K_2 (R_{12}^X)^2$$

QCD and STAR results are in good agreement for  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \geq 19.6$  GeV.

$\mathcal{O}((R_{12}^B)^2)$  QCD results and quadratic fit to STAR results for  $R_{31}^P$  and  $R_{42}^P$  agree well on curvature coefficient.

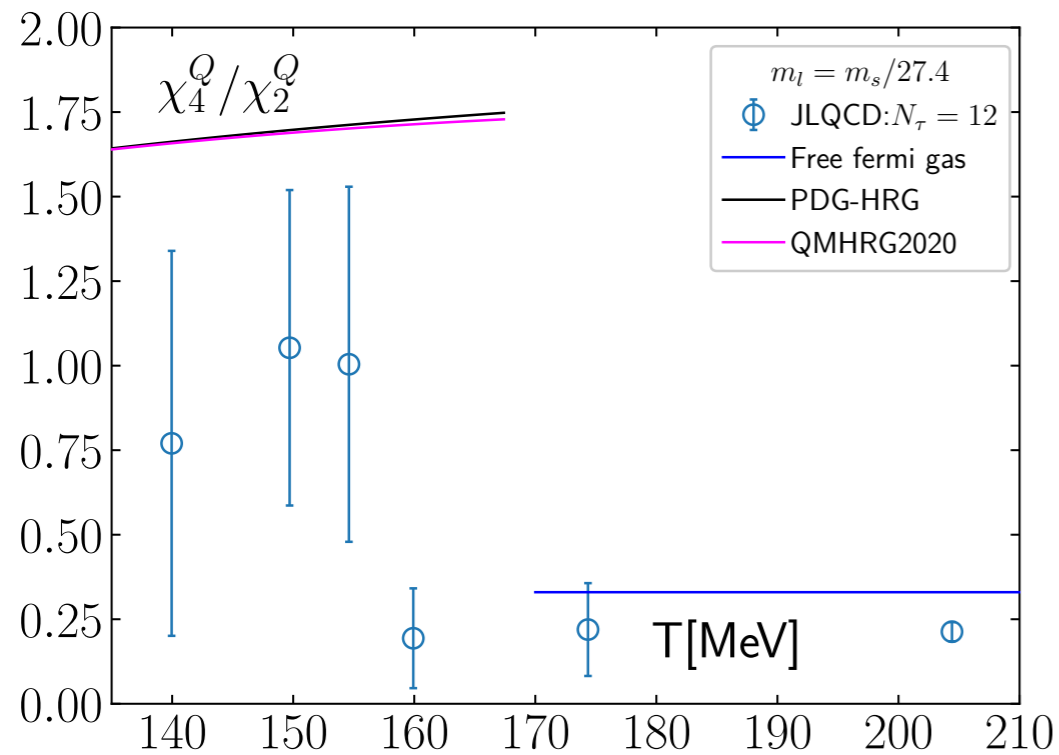
$$R_{31}^B = S_B \sigma_B^3 = \frac{\chi_3^B}{\chi_1^B} \quad R_{42}^B = \kappa_B \sigma_B^2 = \frac{\chi_4^B}{\chi_2^B}$$

$$S_0^P = 0.80(1), S_0^B = 0.70(1), K_0^P = 0.77(6); K_0^B = 0.705(1)$$

May suggest  $T_{pc}$  is slightly smaller than  $T_f$

HotQCD 2017, 2020 : PRD; Goswami, Karsch, XQCD 2024  
STAR results : CPOD2024

# LO Kurtosis of electric charge and strangeness correlations



Jishnu Goswami et al, arXiv:2501.03509

Calculations with a chiral symmetric fermions, Möbius Domain Wall fermions.

$$R_{42}^Q = 1 \pm 0.53, \quad \text{for } T = 154.6 \text{ MeV.}$$

$$R_{42}^Q = 1.05 \pm 0.49, \quad \text{for } T = 149.7 \text{ MeV}$$

The results are preliminary and not continuum extrapolated.

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# Searching for the QCD CEP with LYE singularities

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Padé approximant : Possible extension of the Taylor series for exploring the low temperature and high density part of the QCD phase diagram.

**EoS** : D. Bollweg et al(HotQCD coll.), *Phys.Rev.D* 108 (2023),  
JG (HotQCD coll.), *PoS LATTICE2022* (2023) 149,  
JG QM2022

# Searching for CEP using Padé approximants

We only have finite number of Taylor coefficients.

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n c_i x^i$$

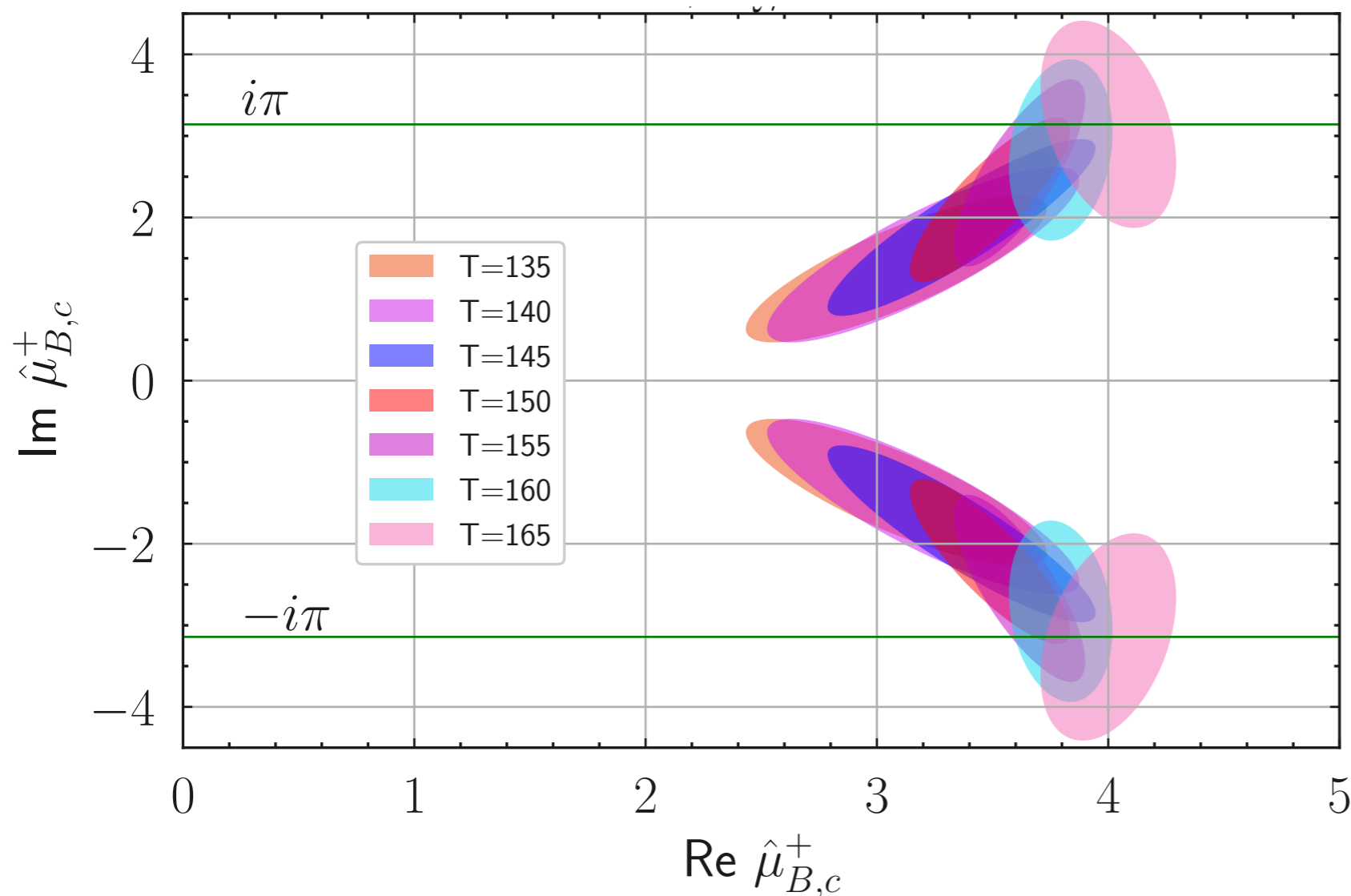
- **Lee Yang** : Phase transitions are related to singularities of the Taylor series on the real axis.
- Padé approximants : Rational functions of the form,  $f(x) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^a c_i x^i}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^b d_j x^j}$ ,
- Singularities : Solving the denominators.
- Furthermore, LYE singularities exhibit universal scaling behavior near a critical point

Complex zeros of the partition function



Investigate the universal scaling of the zeros of the partition function.

# Location of the critical point at finite $\mu_B$ ??



Singularity of the pressure series using a [4,4] padè constructed from 8th order Taylor series

Expectation :  
 $T_{CEP} < T_{chiral}$   
 $(T_{chiral} \sim 130 \text{ MeV})$

H.T. Ding *et al*,  
*Phys.Rev.Lett.* **123** (2019) 6, 062002

**Bound for CEP :**

$$T^{CEP} < 135 \text{ MeV}, \hat{\mu}_B/T \geq 2.5$$

D. Bollweg *et. al* (HotQCD collaboration), *Phys.Rev.D* **105** (2022) 7, 074511,  
 J. G *et. al* (HotQCD collaboration), *Acta Phys.Polon.Supp.* **16** (2023) 1, 76

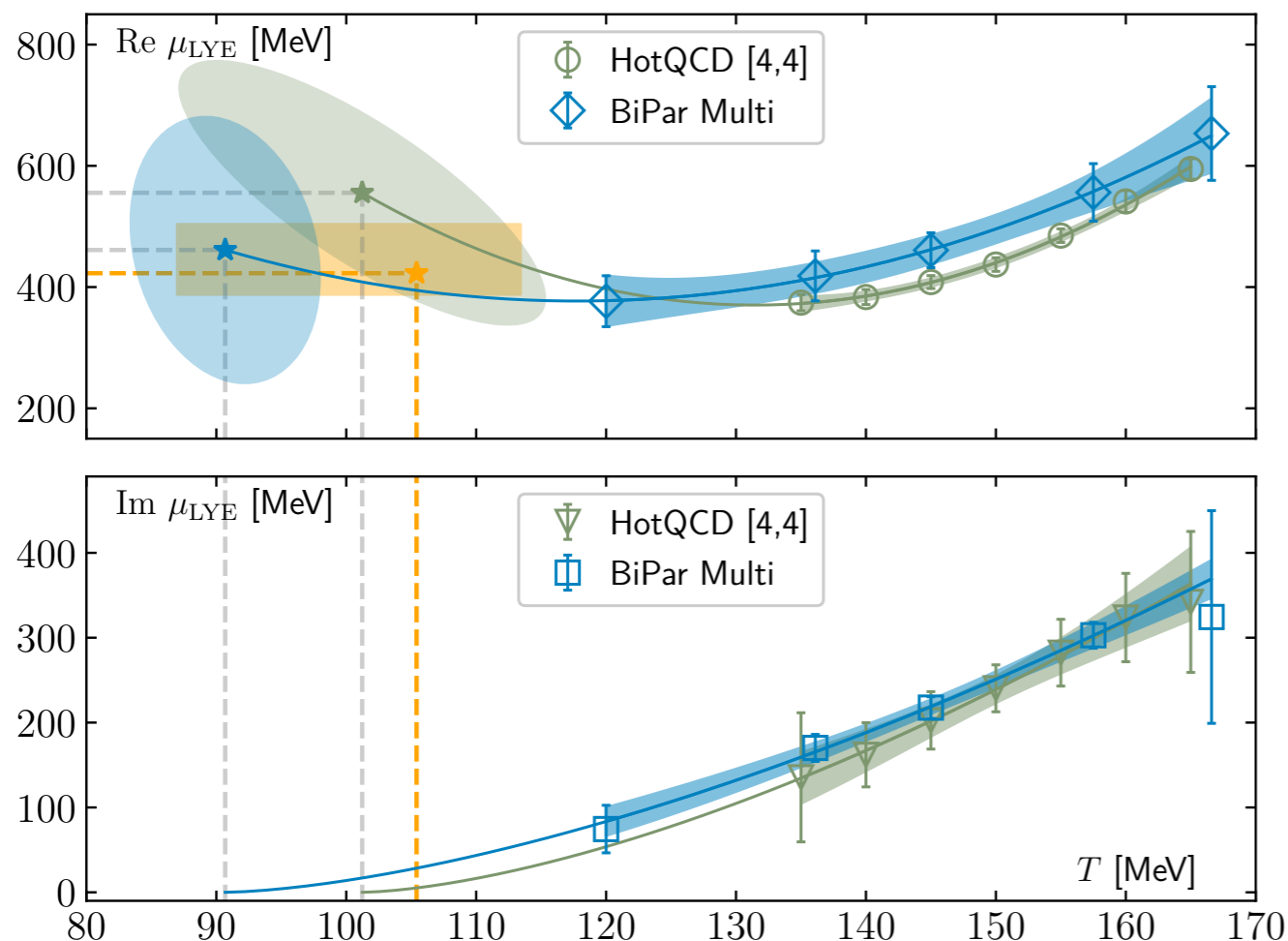
- **Lee-yang theorem**: Singularity in the real axis is a hint for a critical point.
- We find no indication of a CEP in almost the entire beam energy ( $\sqrt{s}$ ) range covered by BESII in collider mode.

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Sign problem for, real  $\mu_f$  however, one can do calculations with purely imaginary  $i\mu_f$ .



$$(T_{CEP}, \mu_{CEP}) = (105_{-18}^{+8}, 422_{-35}^{+80}) \text{ MeV}$$

David A. Clarke et al, arXiv:2405.10196 [hep-lat]

Caution :This results are not continuum extrapolated!!



# Summary and Conclusions

- We present comparisons of conserved charge fluctuations using (2+1)-flavor lattice QCD and STAR results.
- We also present estimation of QCD CEP from LYE.

***Thank you for your attention !!***