

# BULK PROPERTIES OF QCD MATTER FROM LATTICE SIMULATIONS

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# Lattice QCD

- Best first principle-tool to extract predictions for the theory of strong interactions in the non-perturbative regime
- Uncertainties:
  - ▣ Statistical: finite sample, error  $\sim 1/\sqrt{\text{sample size}}$
  - ▣ Systematic: finite box size, unphysical quark masses
- Given enough computer power, uncertainties can be kept under control
- Results from different groups, adopting different discretizations, converge to consistent results
- Unprecedented level of accuracy in lattice data

# Low temperature phase: HRG model

Dashen, Ma, Bernstein; Prakash, Venugopalan, Karsch, Tawfik, Redlich

- **Interacting** hadronic matter in the **ground state** can be well approximated by a **non-interacting** resonance gas
- The pressure can be written as:

$$p^{HRG}/T^4 = \frac{1}{VT^3} \sum_{i \in \text{mesons}} \ln Z_{m_i}^M(T, V, \mu_{X^a}) + \frac{1}{VT^3} \sum_{i \in \text{baryons}} \ln Z_{m_i}^B(T, V, \mu_{X^a})$$

where

$$\ln Z_{m_i}^{M/B} = \mp \frac{V d_i}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dk k^2 \ln(1 \mp z_i e^{-\varepsilon_i/T}) ,$$

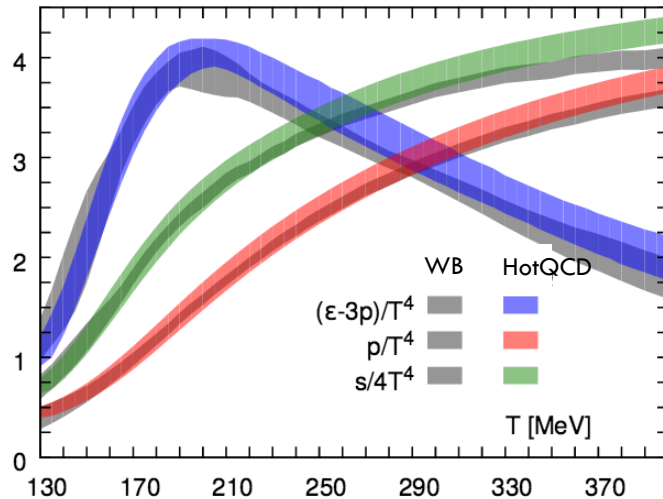
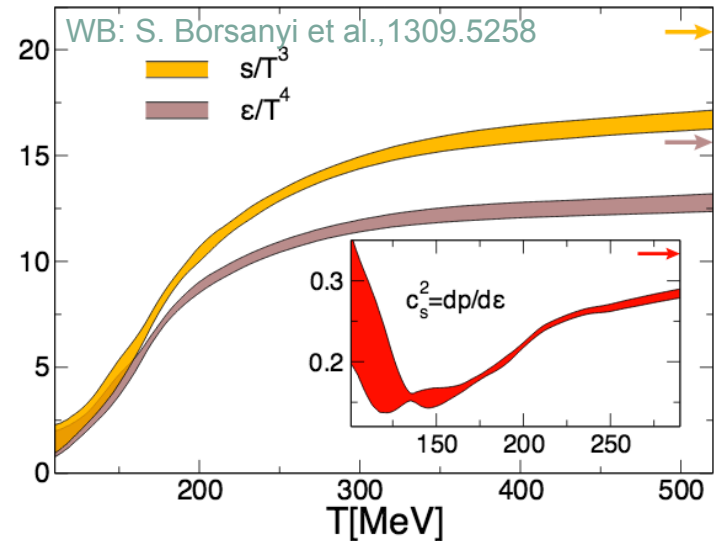
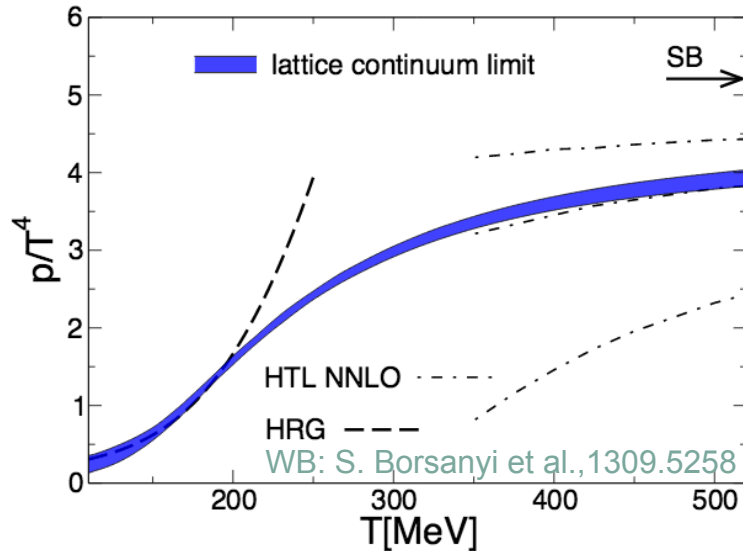
with energies  $\varepsilon_i = \sqrt{k^2 + m_i^2}$ , degeneracy factors  $d_i$  and fugacities

$$z_i = \exp \left( \left( \sum_a X_i^a \mu_{X^a} \right) / T \right) .$$

$X^a$ : all possible conserved charges, including the baryon number  $B$ , electric charge  $Q$ , strangeness  $S$ .

- Needs knowledge of the hadronic spectrum

# QCD Equation of state at $\mu_B=0$



- EoS available in the **continuum limit**, with realistic quark masses
- **Agreement** between **stout** and **HISQ** action for all quantities

WB: S. Borsanyi et al., 1309.5258, PLB (2014)  
 HotQCD: A. Bazavov et al., 1407.6387, PRD (2014)

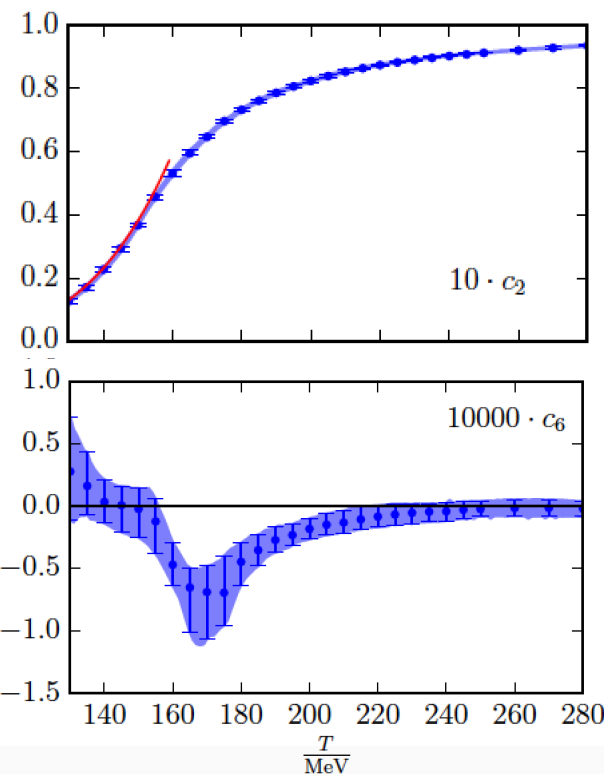
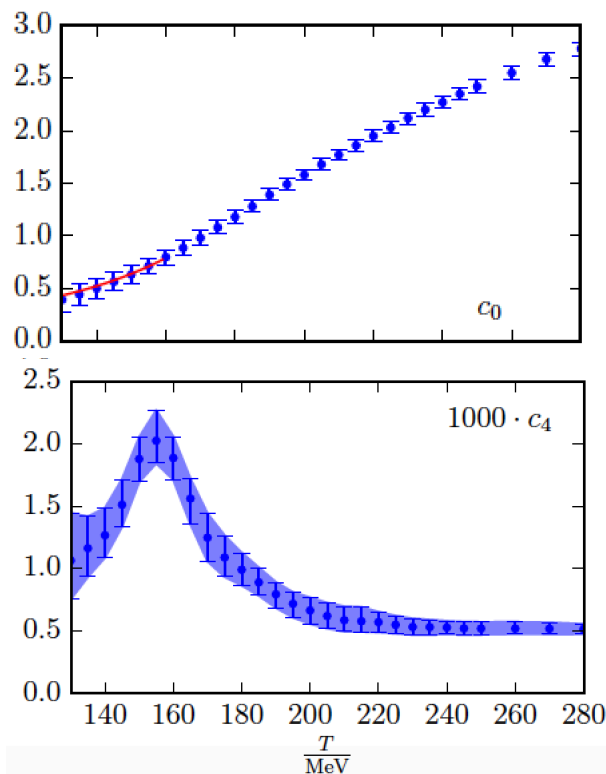
# Sign problem

- The QCD path integral is computed by Monte Carlo algorithms which samples field configurations with a weight proportional to the exponential of the action

$$Z(\mu_B, T) = \text{Tr} \left( e^{-\frac{H_{\text{QCD}} - \mu_B N_B}{T}} \right) = \int \mathcal{D}U e^{-S_G[U]} \det M[U, \mu_B]$$

- $\det M[\mu_B]$  complex  $\rightarrow$  Monte Carlo simulations are not feasible
- We can rely on a few approximate methods, viable for small  $\mu_B/T$ :
  - Taylor expansion of physical quantities around  $\mu_B=0$  (Bielefeld-Swansea collaboration 2002; R. Gai, S. Gupta 2003)
  - Reweighting (complex phase moved from the measure to observables) (Barbour et al. 1998; Z. Fodor and S. Katz, 2002)
  - Simulations at imaginary chemical potentials (plus analytic continuation) (Alford, Kapustin, Wilczek, 1999; de Forcrand, Philipsen, 2002; D'Elia, Lombardo 2003)

# Equation of state at $\mu_B > 0$



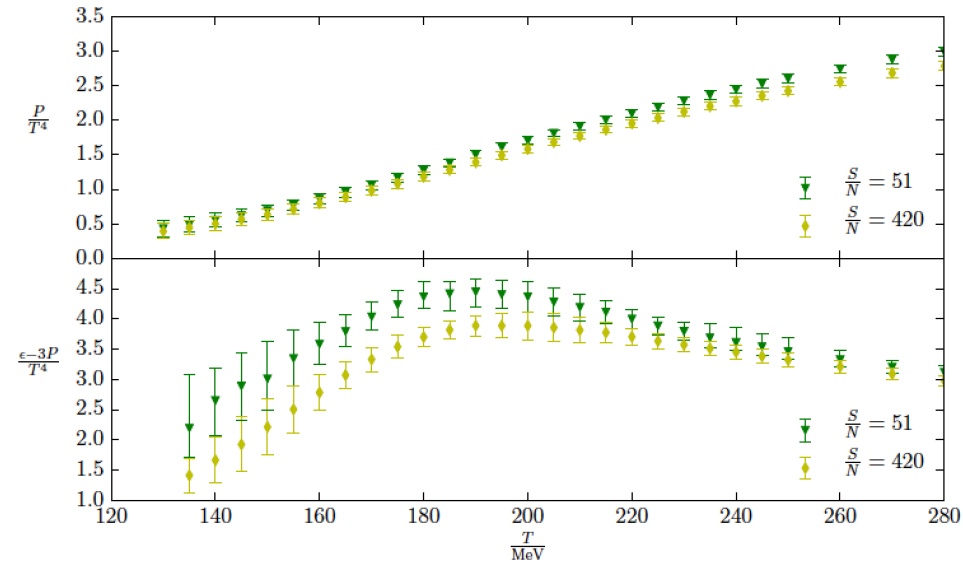
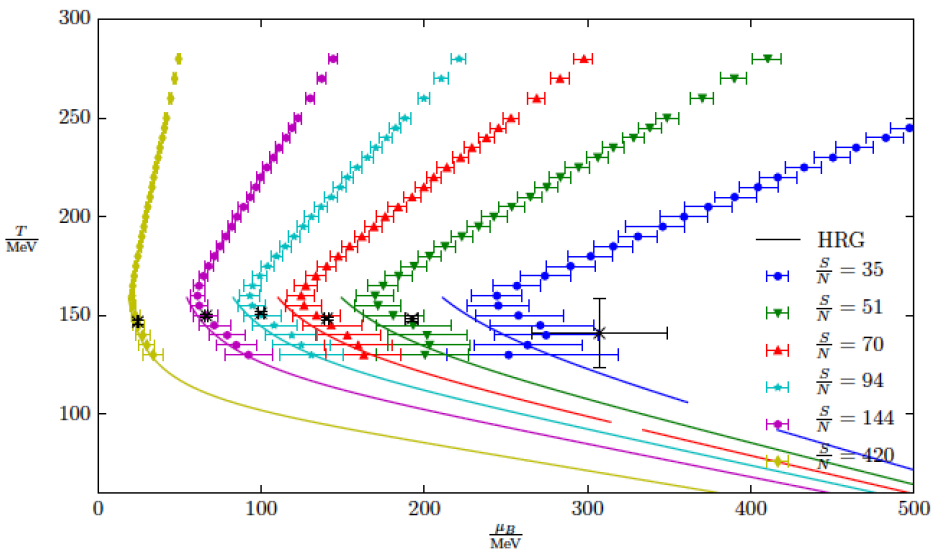
- Expand the pressure in powers of  $\mu_B$

$$\frac{p(\mu_B)}{T^4} = c_0 + c_2 \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^2 + c_4 \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^4 + c_6 \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^6 + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^8)$$

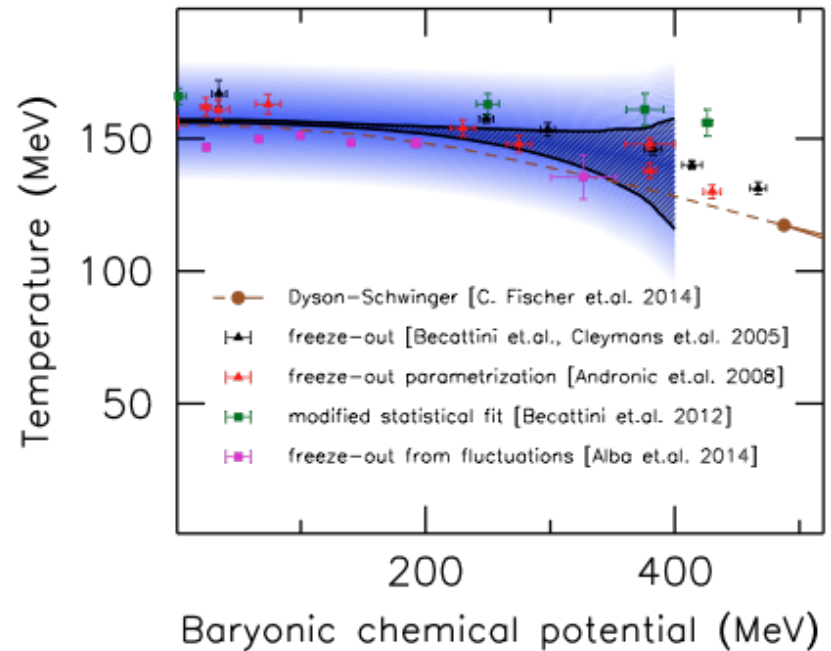
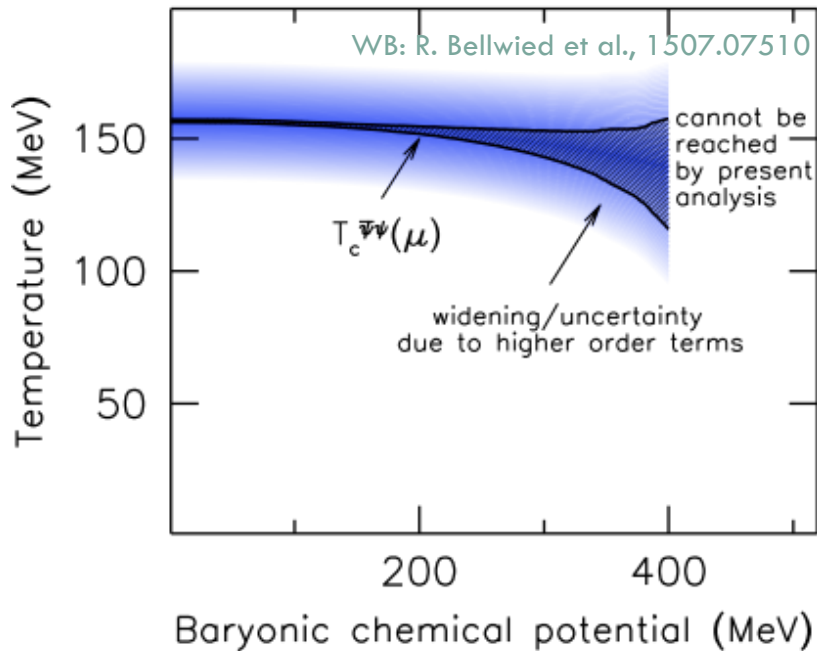
- Continuum extrapolated results for  $c_2$ ,  $c_4$ ,  $c_6$  at the physical mass
- Enables us to reach  $\mu_B/T \sim 2.5$

# Equation of state at $\mu_B > 0$

- Extract the isentropic trajectory that the system follows in the absence of dissipation
- Calculate the EoS along these constant S/N trajectories



# QCD phase diagram



Curvature  $\kappa$  defined as:

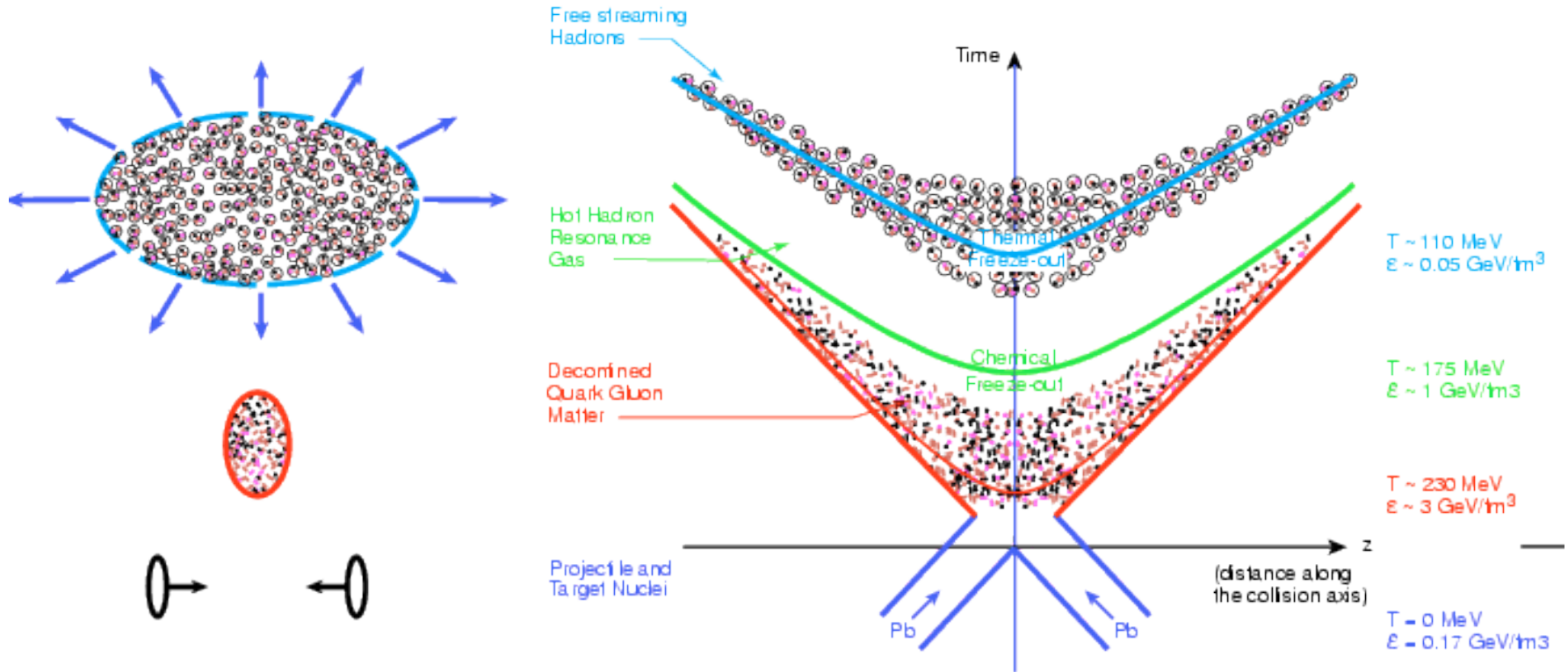
$$\frac{T_c(\mu_B)}{T_c(\mu = 0)} = 1 - \kappa \left( \frac{\mu_B}{T_c(\mu_B)} \right)^2 + \lambda \left( \frac{\mu_B}{T_c(\mu_B)} \right)^4 \dots$$

Recent results:

$$\kappa = 0.0149 \pm 0.0021$$



# Evolution of a Heavy Ion Collision

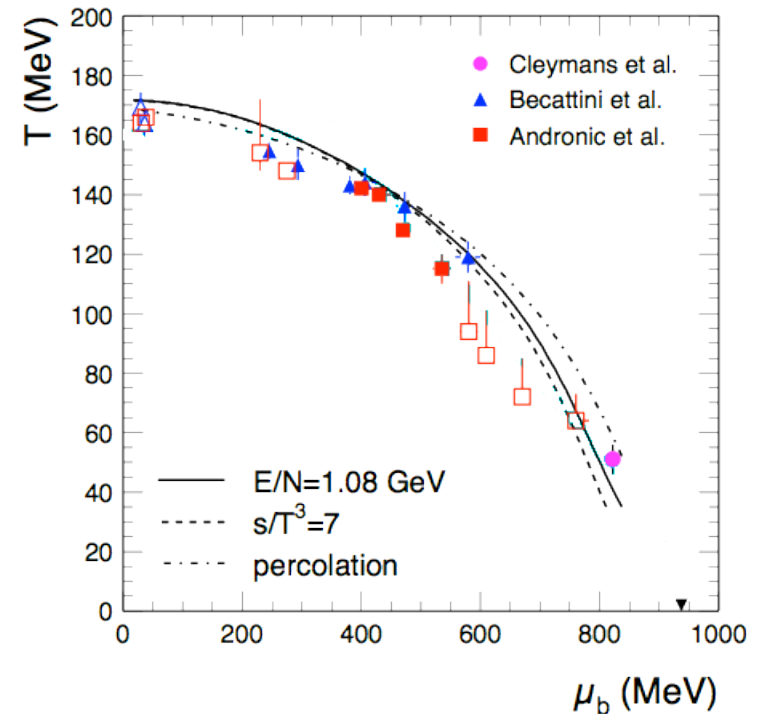


- **Chemical freeze-out:** inelastic reactions cease: the chemical composition of the system is fixed (particle yields and fluctuations)
- **Kinetic freeze-out:** elastic reactions cease: spectra and correlations are frozen (free streaming of hadrons)
- Hadrons reach the detector

# The thermal fits

See talk by A. Andronic on Wednesday Morning

- $E=mc^2$ : lots of particles are created
- **Particle counting** (average over many events)
- Take into account:
  - detector inefficiency
  - missing particles at low  $p_T$
  - decays



- **HRG model**: test hypothesis of hadron abundancies in equilibrium

$$N_i = -T \frac{\partial \ln Z_i}{\partial \mu} = \frac{g_i V}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{p^2 dp}{\exp[(E_i - \mu_i)/T] \pm 1}$$

# Fluctuations of conserved charges

- Definition:

$$\chi_{lmn}^{BSQ} = \frac{\partial^{l+m+n} p / T^4}{\partial(\mu_B/T)^l \partial(\mu_S/T)^m \partial(\mu_Q/T)^n}.$$

- Relationship between chemical potentials:

$$\mu_u = \frac{1}{3}\mu_B + \frac{2}{3}\mu_Q;$$

$$\mu_d = \frac{1}{3}\mu_B - \frac{1}{3}\mu_Q;$$

$$\mu_s = \frac{1}{3}\mu_B - \frac{1}{3}\mu_Q - \mu_S.$$

- They can be calculated on the lattice and compared to experiment

# Connection to experiment

- **Fluctuations** of conserved charges are the **cumulants** of their event-by-event distribution

$$\text{mean : } M = \chi_1$$

$$\text{variance : } \sigma^2 = \chi_2$$

$$\text{skewness : } S = \chi_3/\chi_2^{3/2}$$

$$\text{kurtosis : } \kappa = \chi_4/\chi_2^2$$

$$S\sigma = \chi_3/\chi_1$$

$$\kappa\sigma^2 = \chi_4/\chi_2$$

$$M/\sigma^2 = \chi_1/\chi_2$$

$$S\sigma^3/M = \chi_3/\chi_1$$

- Lattice QCD results are functions of **temperature** and **chemical potential**
  - By comparing lattice results and experimental measurement we can **extract the freeze-out parameters** from first principles

# “Baryometer and Thermometer”

Let us look at the Taylor expansion of  $R_{31}^B$

$$R_{31}^B(T, \mu_B) = \frac{\chi_3^B(T, \mu_B)}{\chi_1^B(T, \mu_B)} = \frac{\chi_4^B(T, 0) + \chi_{31}^{BQ}(T, 0)q_1(T) + \chi_{31}^{BS}(T, 0)s_1(T)}{\chi_2^B(T, 0) + \chi_{11}^{BQ}(T, 0)q_1(T) + \chi_{11}^{BS}(T, 0)s_1(T)} + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^2)$$

- To order  $\mu_B^2$  it is independent of  $\mu_B$ : it can be used as a **thermometer**
- Let us look at the Taylor expansion of  $R_{12}^B$

$$R_{12}^B(T, \mu_B) = \frac{\chi_1^B(T, \mu_B)}{\chi_2^B(T, \mu_B)} = \frac{\chi_2^B(T, 0) + \chi_{11}^{BQ}(T, 0)q_1(T) + \chi_{11}^{BS}(T, 0)s_1(T)}{\chi_2^B(T, 0)} \frac{\mu_B}{T} + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^3)$$

- Once we extract T from  $R_{31}^B$ , we can use  $R_{12}^B$  to extract  $\mu_B$

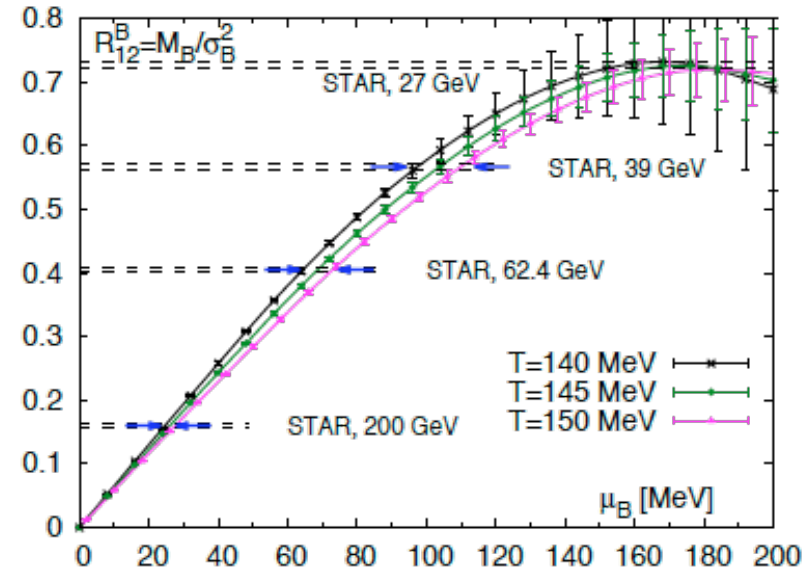
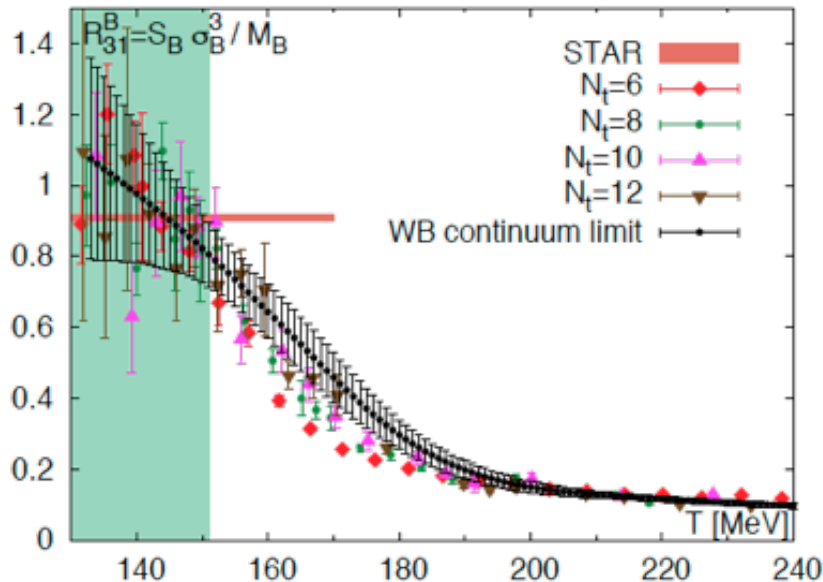
# Things to keep in mind

- Effects due to volume variation because of finite centrality bin width
  - ▣ Experimentally corrected by centrality-bin-width correction method  
V. Skokov et al., PRC (2013)
- Finite reconstruction efficiency
  - ▣ Experimentally corrected based on binomial distribution A.Bzdak,V.Koch, PRC (2012)
- Spallation protons
  - ▣ Experimentally removed with proper cuts in  $p_T$
- Canonical vs Grand Canonical ensemble
  - ▣ Experimental cuts in the kinematics and acceptance V. Koch, S. Jeon, PRL (2000)
- Proton multiplicity distributions vs baryon number fluctuations
  - ▣ Recipes for treating proton fluctuations  
M. Asakawa and M. Kitazawa, PRC(2012), M. Nahrgang et al., 1402.1238
- Final-state interactions in the hadronic phase
  - ▣ Consistency between different charges = fundamental test  
J.Steinheimer et al., PRL (2013)

# Freeze-out parameters from B fluctuations

Thermometer:  $\frac{\chi_3^B(T, \mu_B)}{\chi_1^B(T, \mu_B)} = S_B \sigma_B^3 / M_B$

Baryometer:  $\frac{\chi_1^B(T, \mu_B)}{\chi_2^B(T, \mu_B)} = \sigma_B^2 / M_B$



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STAR collaboration, PRL (2014)

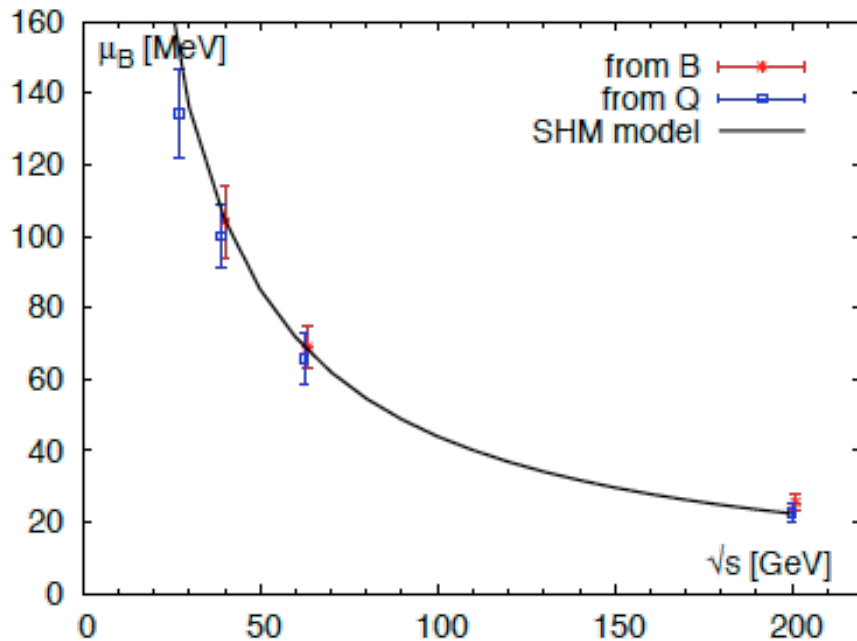
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$\sqrt{s} [GeV]$	$\mu_B^f [MeV]$ (from B)	$\mu_B^f [MeV]$ (from Q)
200	$25.8 \pm 2.7$	$22.8 \pm 2.6$
62.4	$69.7 \pm 6.4$	$66.6 \pm 7.9$
39	$105 \pm 11$	$101 \pm 10$
27	-	$136 \pm 13.8$

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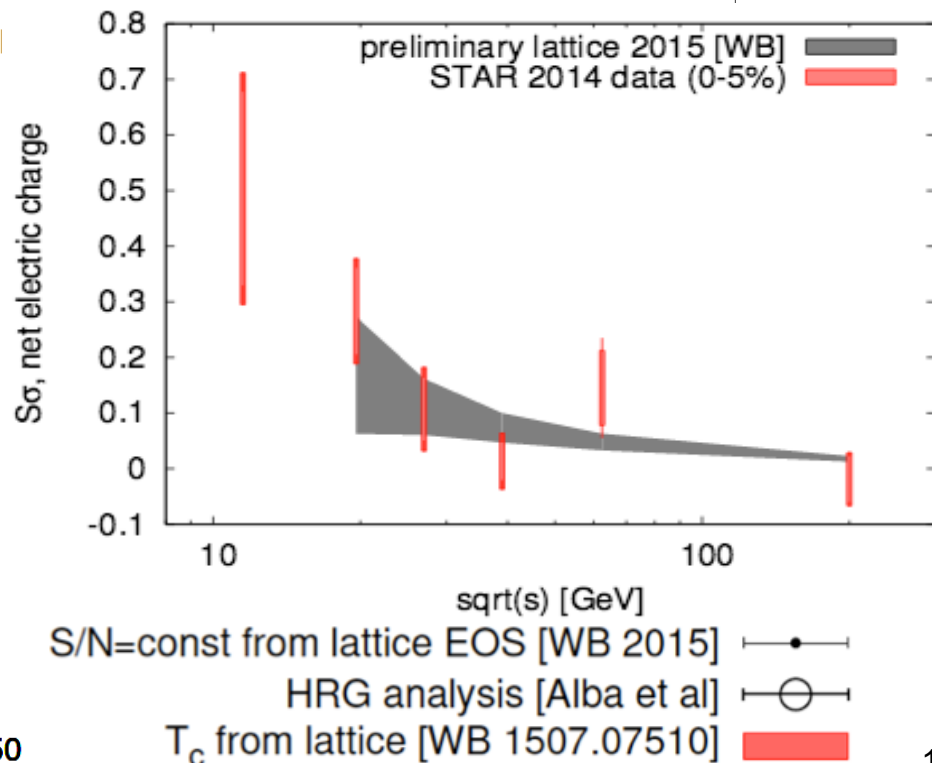
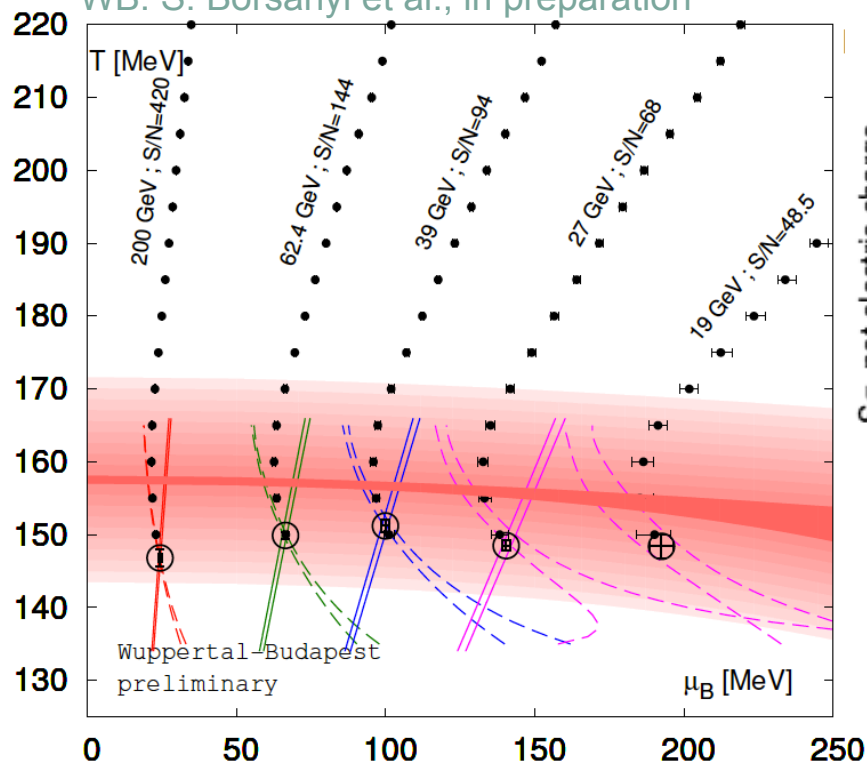
# Freeze-out line from first principles

- Use  $T$ - and  $\mu_B$ -dependence of  $R_{12}^Q$  and  $R_{12}^B$  for a combined fit:

$$R_{12}^Q(T, \mu_B) = \frac{\chi_1^Q(T, \mu_B)}{\chi_2^Q(T, \mu_B)} = \frac{\chi_{11}^{QB}(T, 0) + \chi_2^Q(T, 0)q_1(T) + \chi_{11}^{QS}(T, 0)s_1(T)}{\chi_2^Q(T, 0)} \frac{\mu_B}{T} + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^3).$$

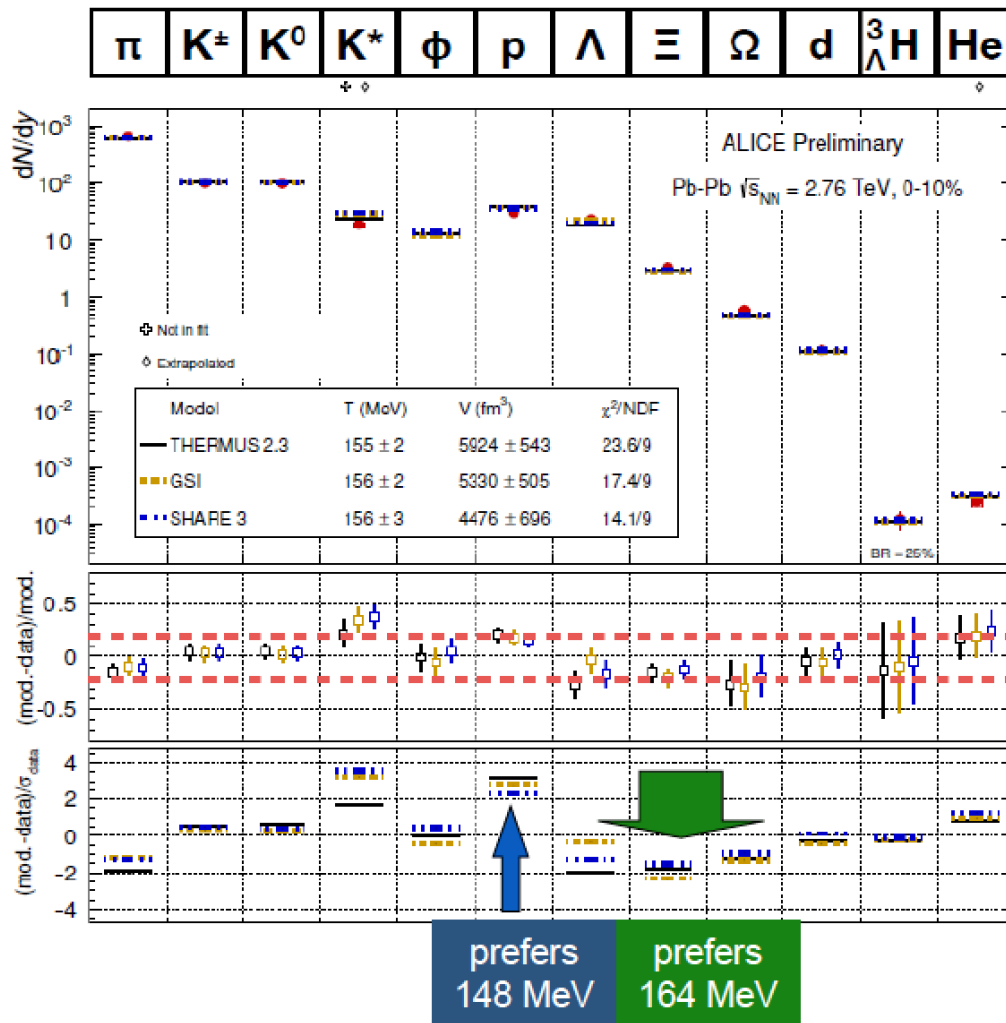
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WB: S. Borsanyi et al., in preparation



# What about strangeness freeze-out?

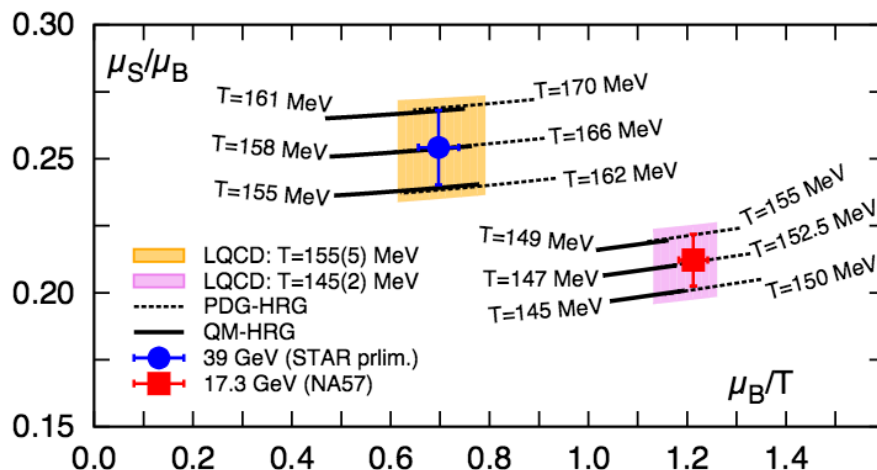
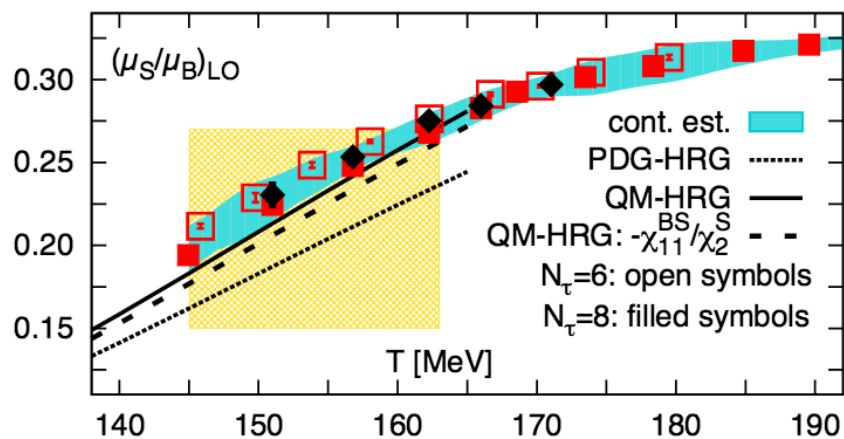
- Yield fits seem to hint at a higher temperature for strange particles



M. Floris: QM 2014

# Missing strange states?

- Quark Model predicts not-yet-detected (multi-)strange hadrons



- QM-HRG improves the agreement with lattice results for the baryon-strangeness correlator:

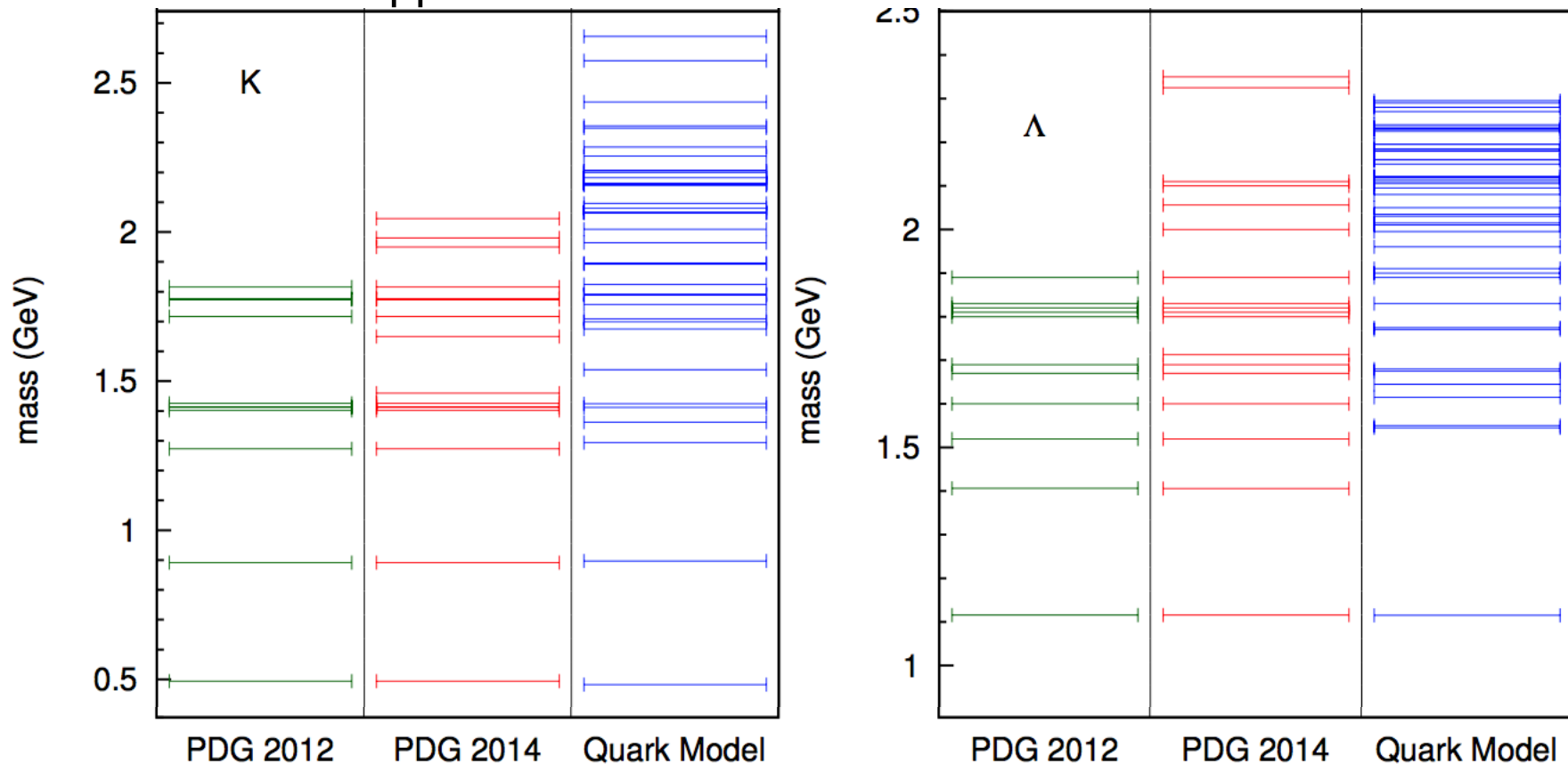
$$(\mu_S/\mu_B)_{LO} = -\chi_{11}^{BS}/\chi_2^S + \chi_{11}^{QS} \mu_Q/\mu_B$$

- The effect is only relevant at finite  $\mu_B$
- Feed-down from resonance decays not included

A. Bazavov et al., PRL (2014)

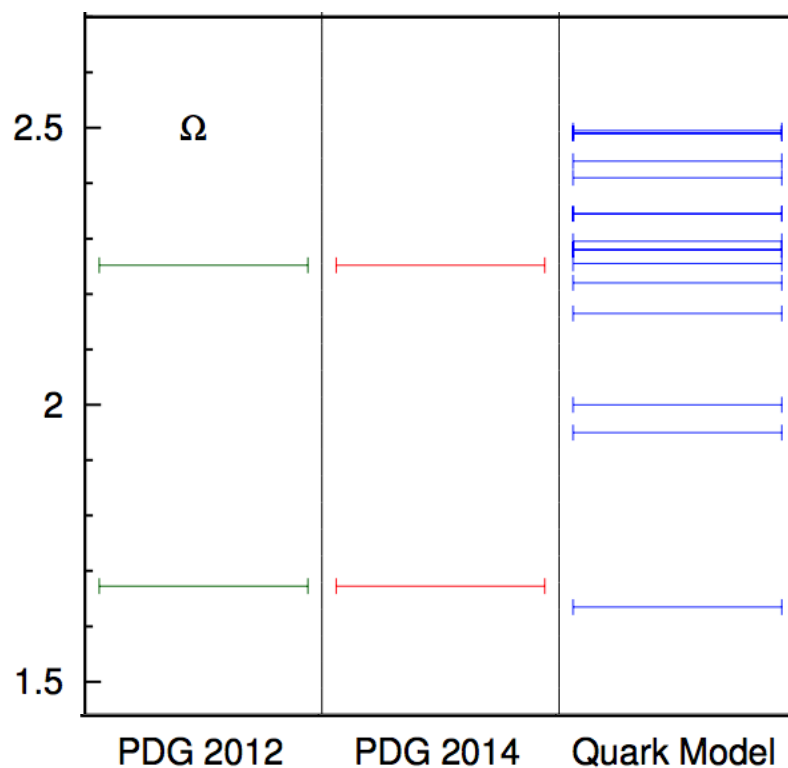
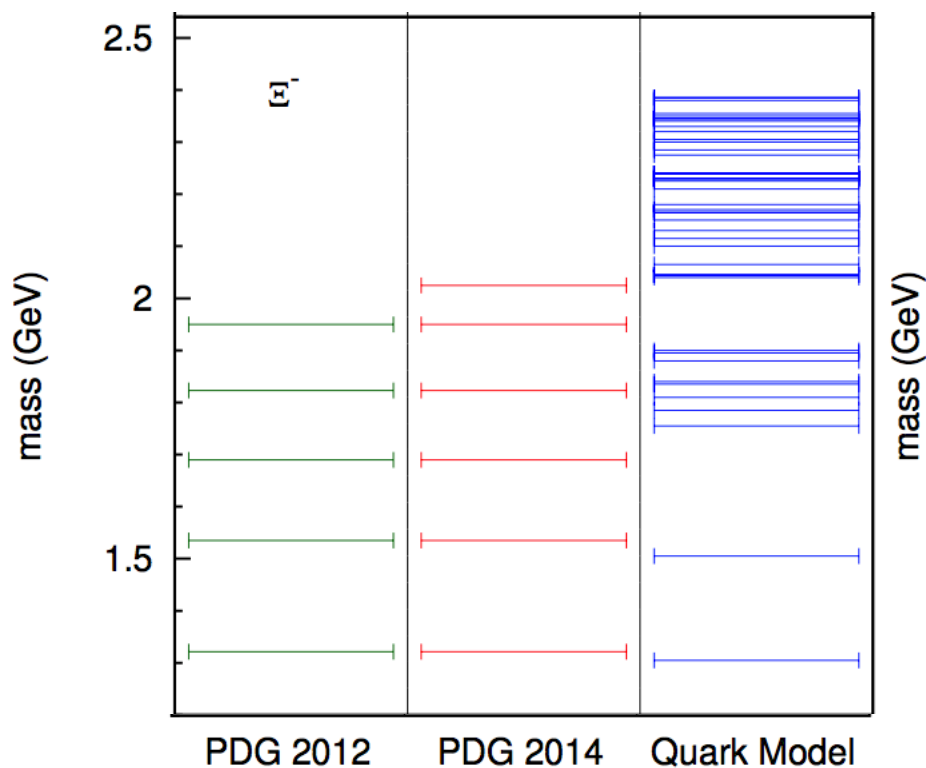
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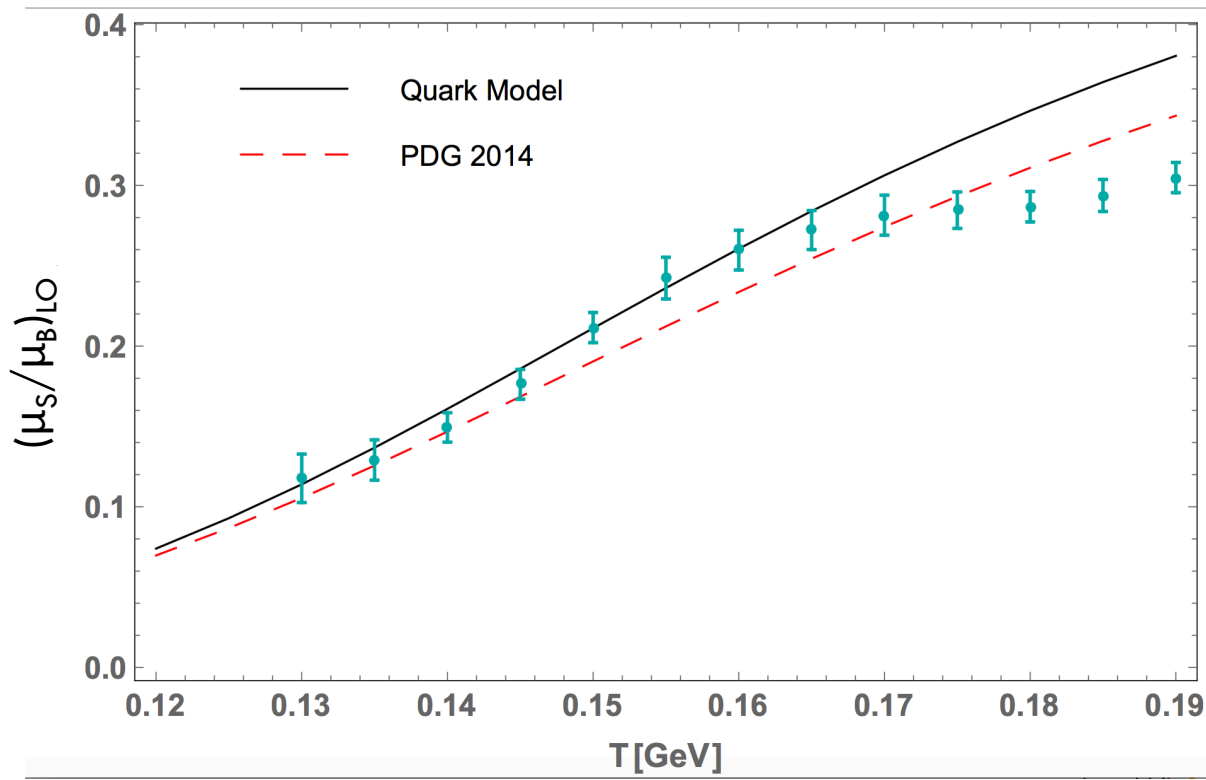
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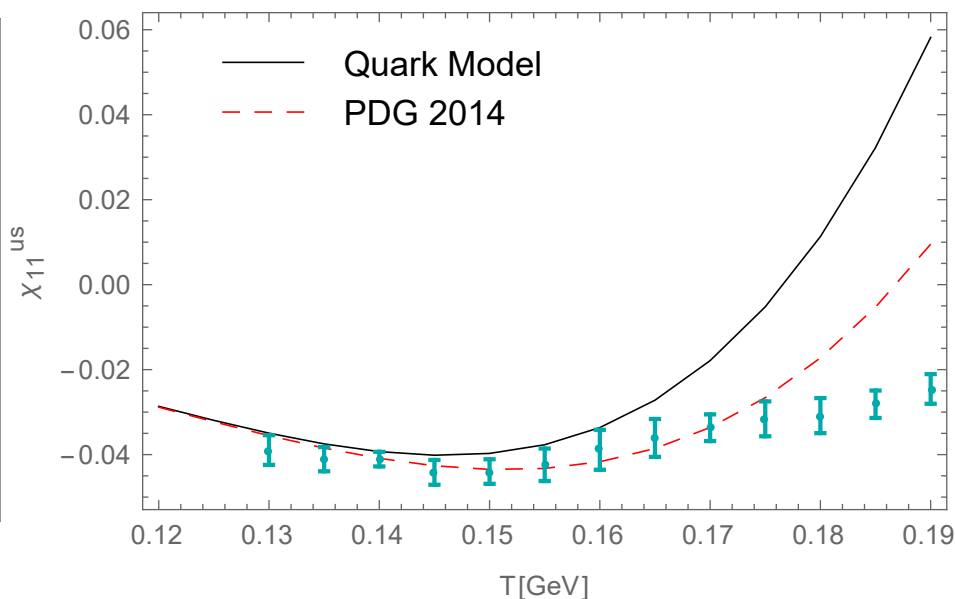
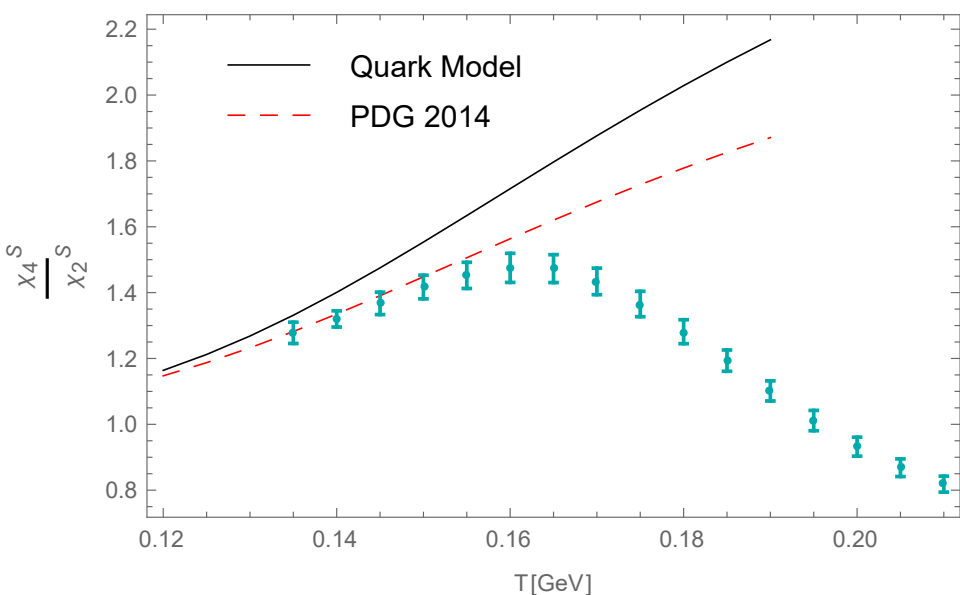
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- The comparison with the lattice is improved for the baryon-strangeness correlator:



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- Some observables are in agreement with the PDG 2014 but not with the Quark Model:



- $\chi_4^S/\chi_2^S$  is proportional to  $\langle S^2 \rangle$  in the system
- It seems to indicate that the quark model predicts too many multi-strange states

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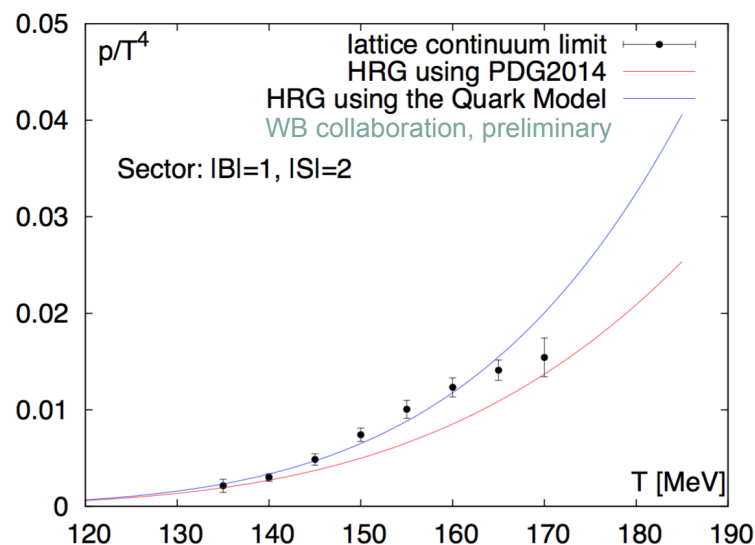
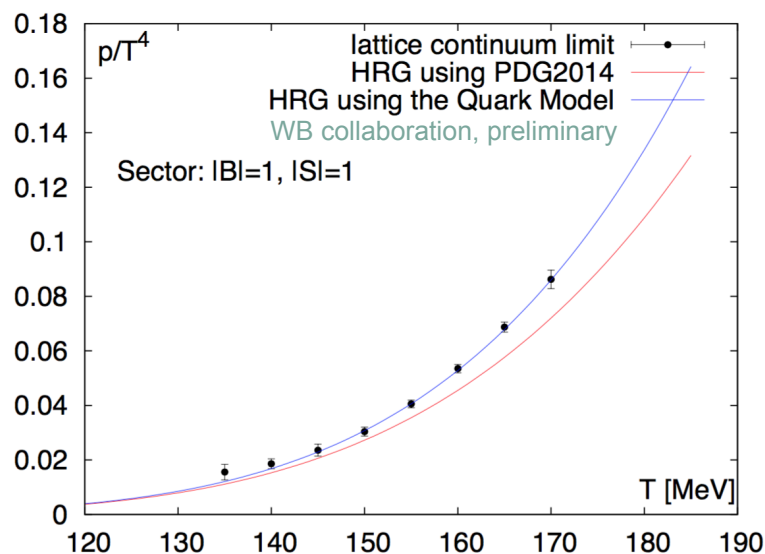
See Talk by J. Noronha-Hostler on Thursday afternoon

- Idea: define linear combinations of correlators which receive contributions only from particles with a given quantum number
- They allow to compare PDG and QM prediction for each sector separately

$$\begin{aligned} P_S(\hat{\mu}_B, \hat{\mu}_S) &= P_{0|1|} \cosh(\hat{\mu}_S) \\ &+ P_{1|1|} \cosh(\hat{\mu}_B - \hat{\mu}_S) \\ &+ P_{1|2|} \cosh(\hat{\mu}_B - 2\hat{\mu}_S) \\ &+ P_{1|3|} \cosh(\hat{\mu}_B - 3\hat{\mu}_S) \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} P_{0|1|} &= \chi_2^S - \chi_{22}^{BS} \\ P_{1|1|} &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \chi_4^S - \chi_2^S + 5\chi_{13}^{BS} + 7\chi_{22}^{BS} \right) \\ P_{1|2|} &= -\frac{1}{4} \left( \chi_4^S - \chi_2^S + 4\chi_{13}^{BS} + 4\chi_{22}^{BS} \right) \\ P_{1|3|} &= \frac{1}{18} \left( \chi_4^S - \chi_2^S + 3\chi_{13}^{BS} + 3\chi_{22}^{BS} \right) \end{aligned}$$

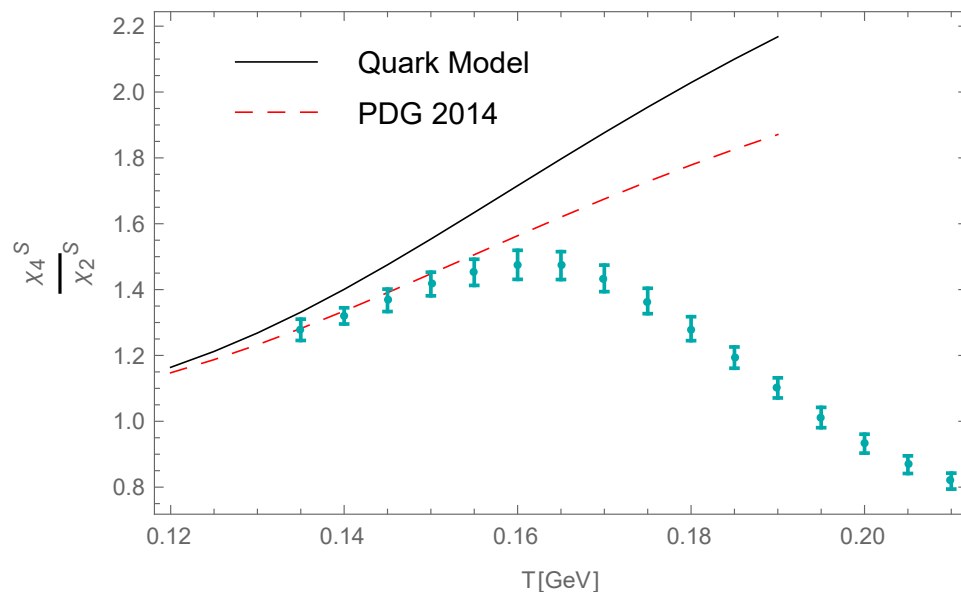
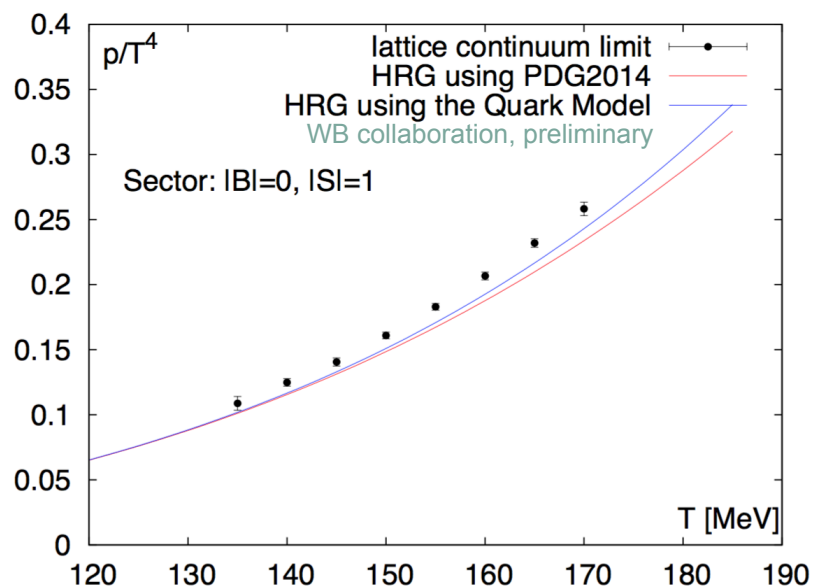


# Missing strange states?



- The precision in the lattice results can allow to distinguish between the two scenarios
- Quark model yields better agreement with the data for the strange baryons

# Not enough strange mesons

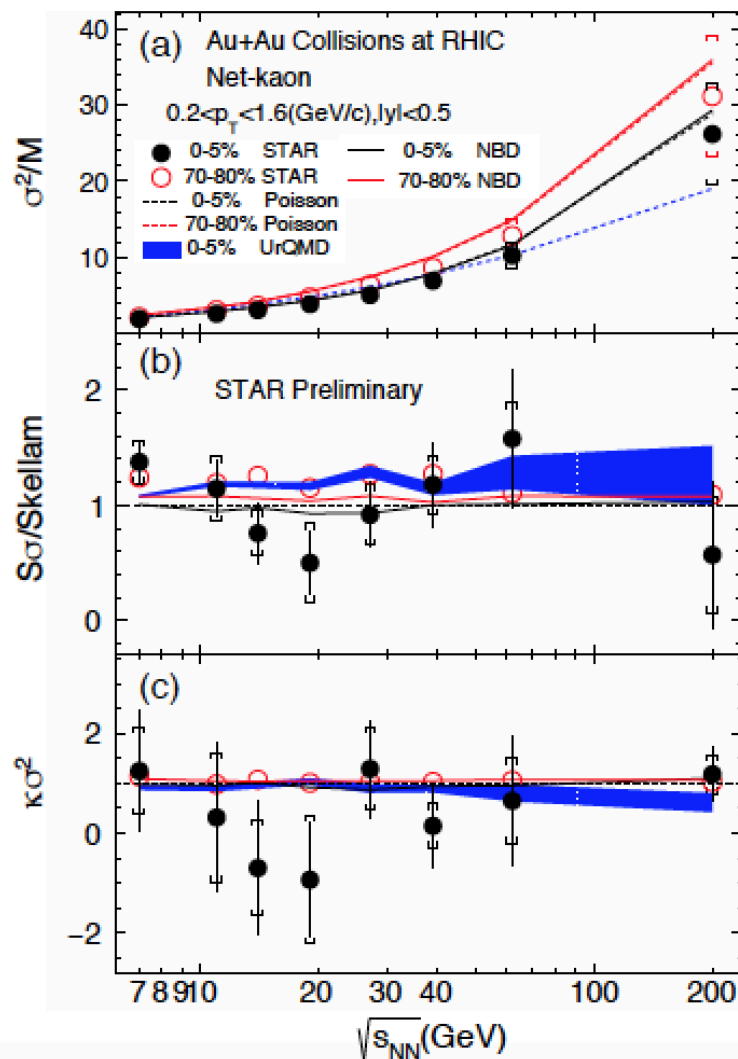


- Both Quark Model and PDG 2014 underestimate the partial pressure due to strange mesons
- This explains why the QM overestimates  $\chi_4^S / \chi_2^S$ : more strange mesons would bring the curve down

# Kaon fluctuations

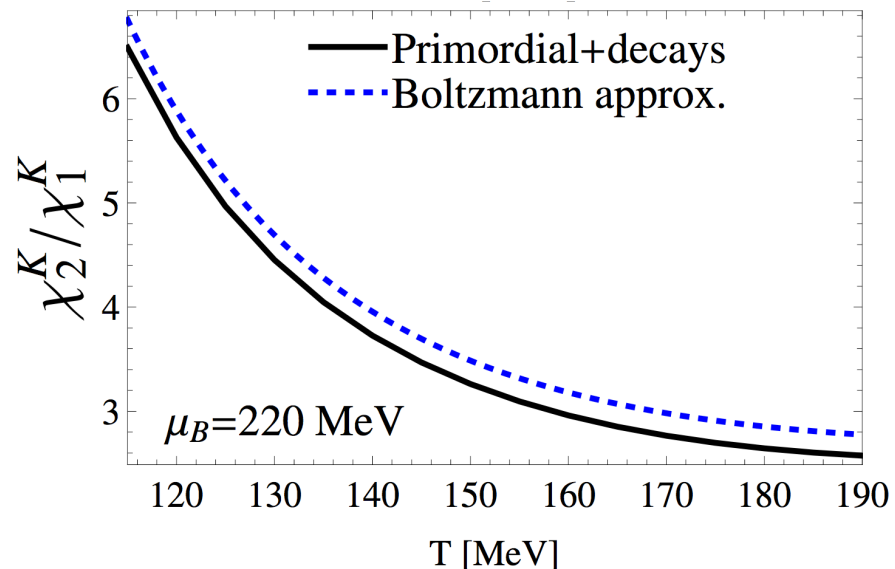
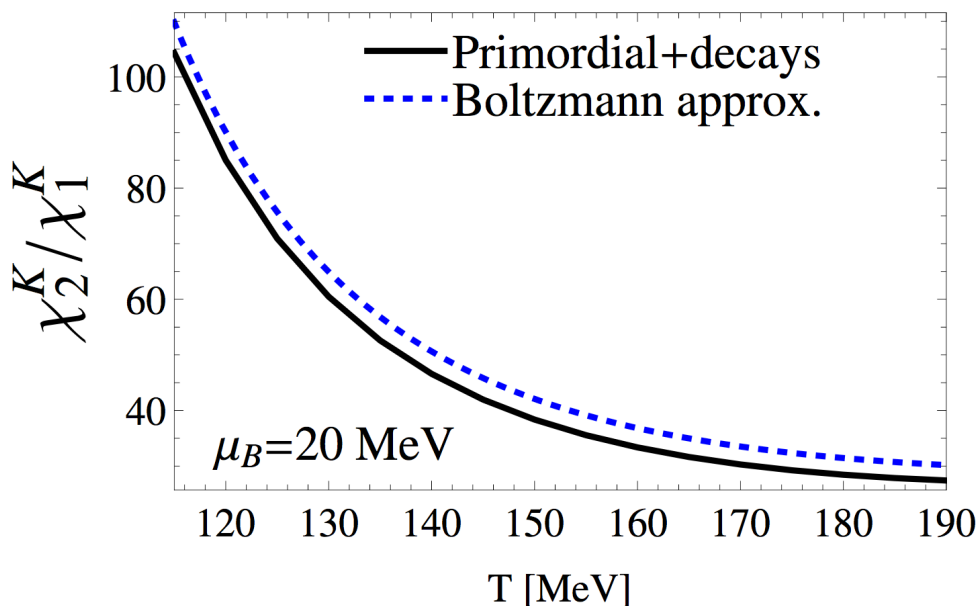
Talk by Ji XU on Tuesday

- Experimental data are becoming available.
- Exciting result but presently hampered by systematic errors
- BES-II will help
- Kaon fluctuations from HRG model will be affected by the hadronic spectrum and decays



# Kaon fluctuations on the lattice?

J. Noronha-Hostler, C.R. et al. (2016)



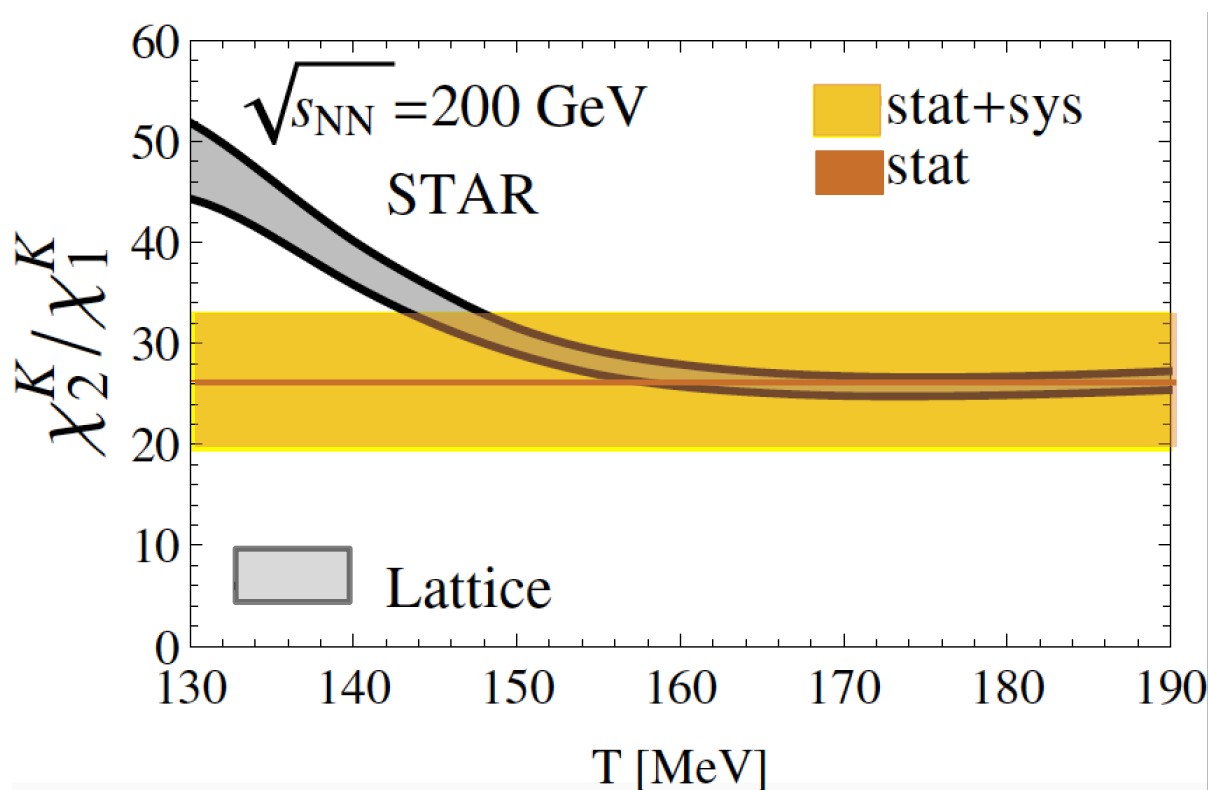
- Boltzmann approximation works well for lower order kaon fluctuations

$$\frac{\chi_2^K}{\chi_1^K} = \frac{\cosh(\hat{\mu}_S + \hat{\mu}_Q)}{\sinh(\hat{\mu}_S + \hat{\mu}_Q)}$$

- $\chi_2^K / \chi_1^K$  from primordial kaons + decays is very close to the one in the Boltzmann approximation

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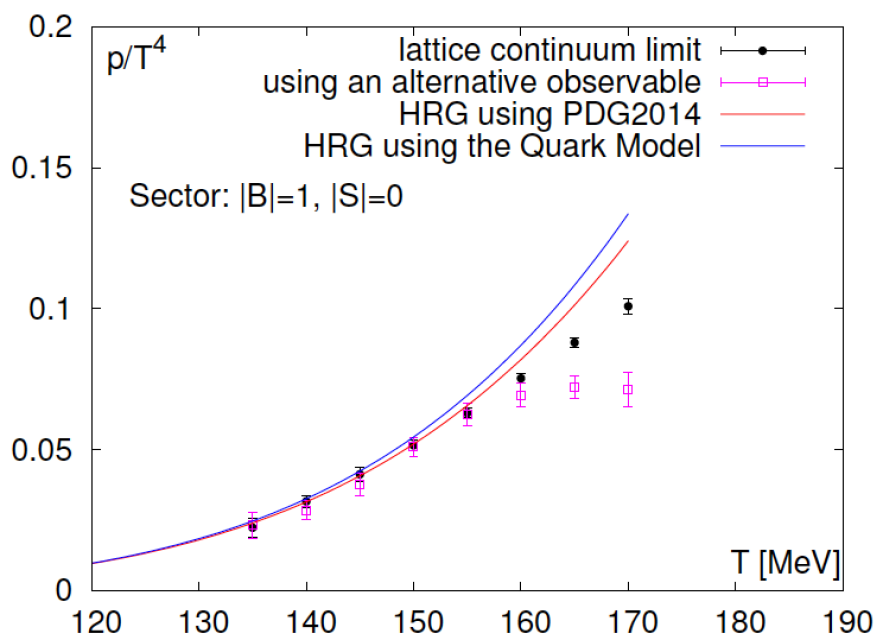
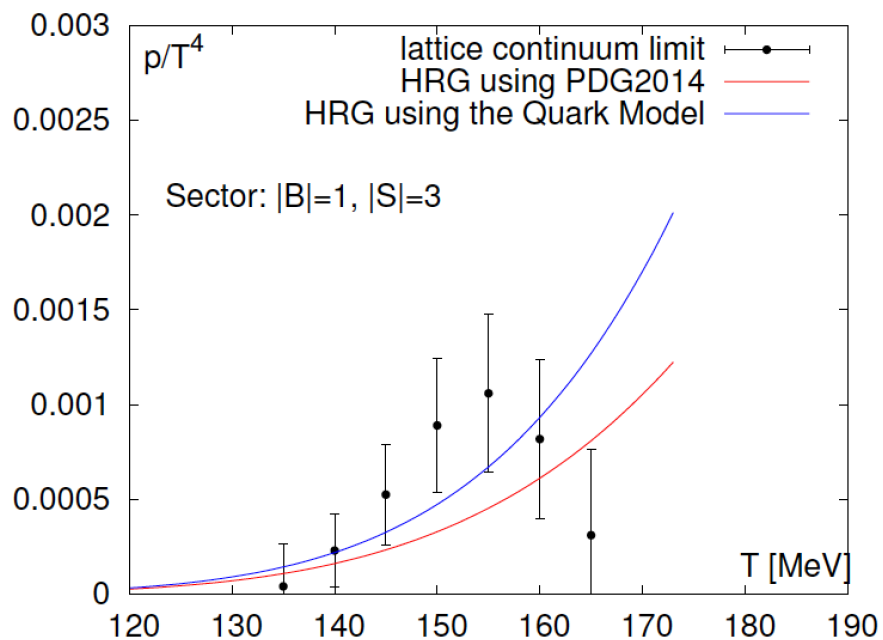


- Experimental uncertainty does not allow a precise determination of  $T_f^K$

# Conclusions

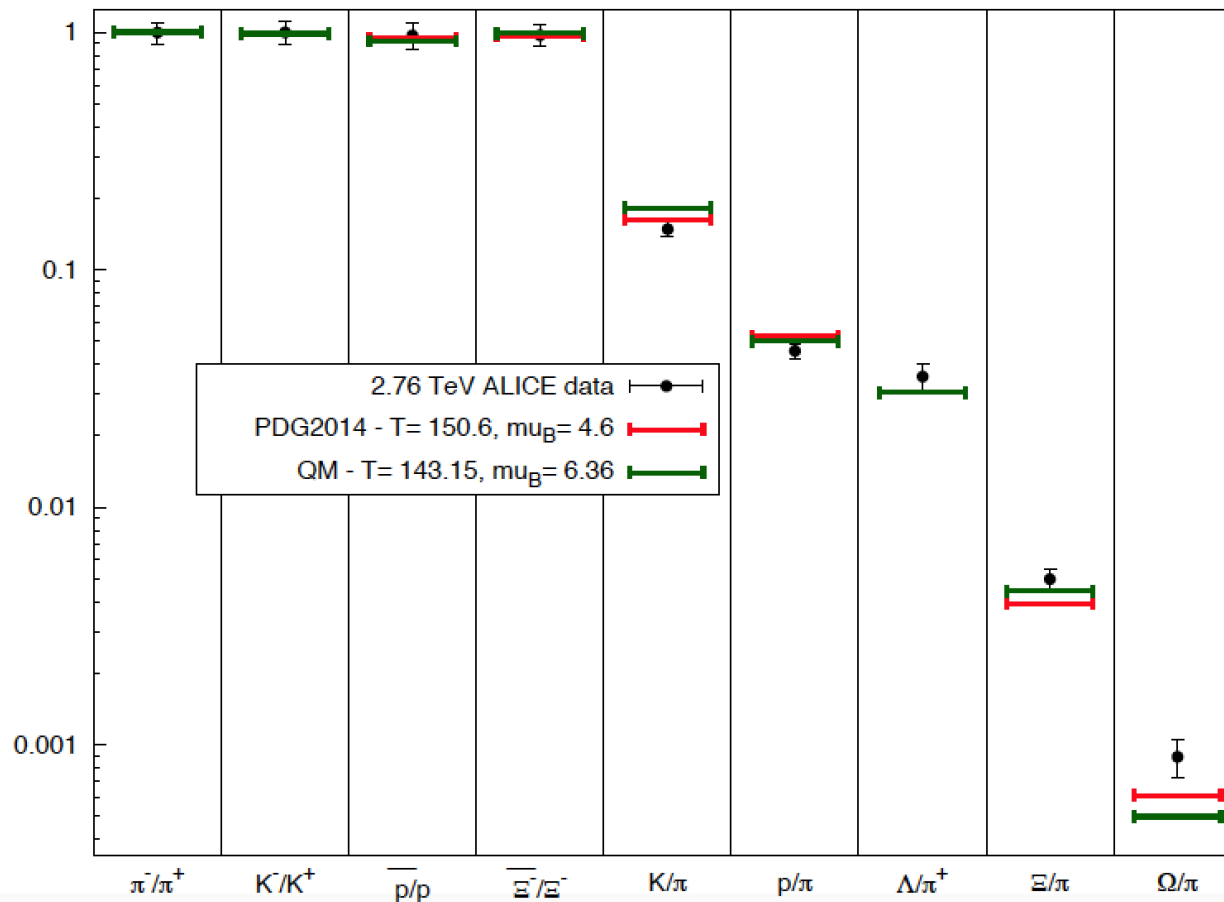
- Unprecedented precision in lattice QCD data allows a direct comparison to experiment for the first time
- QCD thermodynamics at  $\mu_B=0$  can be simulated with high accuracy
- Extensions to finite density are under control up to  $O(\mu_B^6)$
- Quark Model states are needed for all particle families
- Effect of decays on freeze-out parameters from yields under investigation
- Kaon  $T_f$  can be determined from lattice QCD

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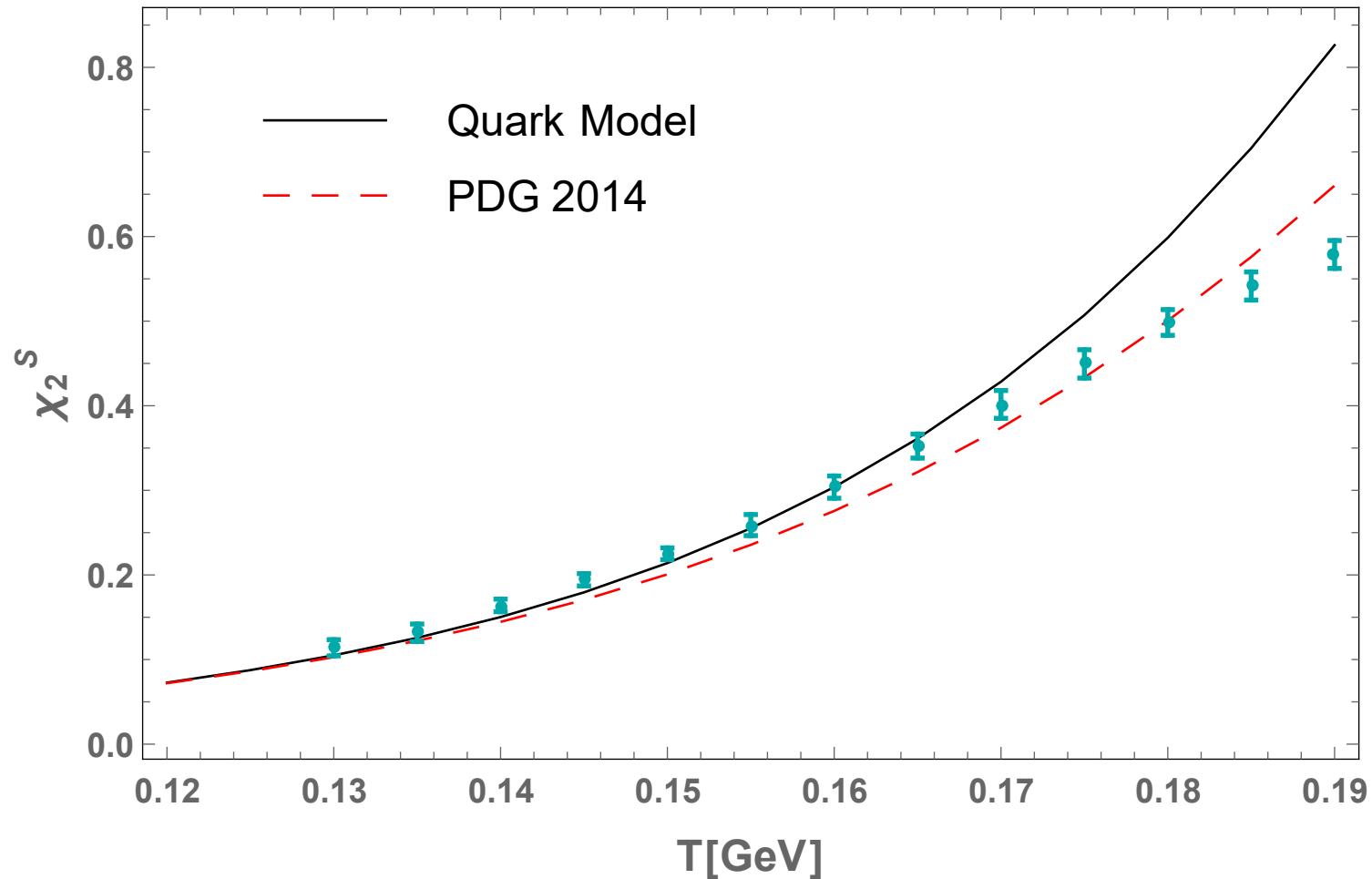
# Effect of resonance decays

- The decays have a big effect on the freeze-out parameters

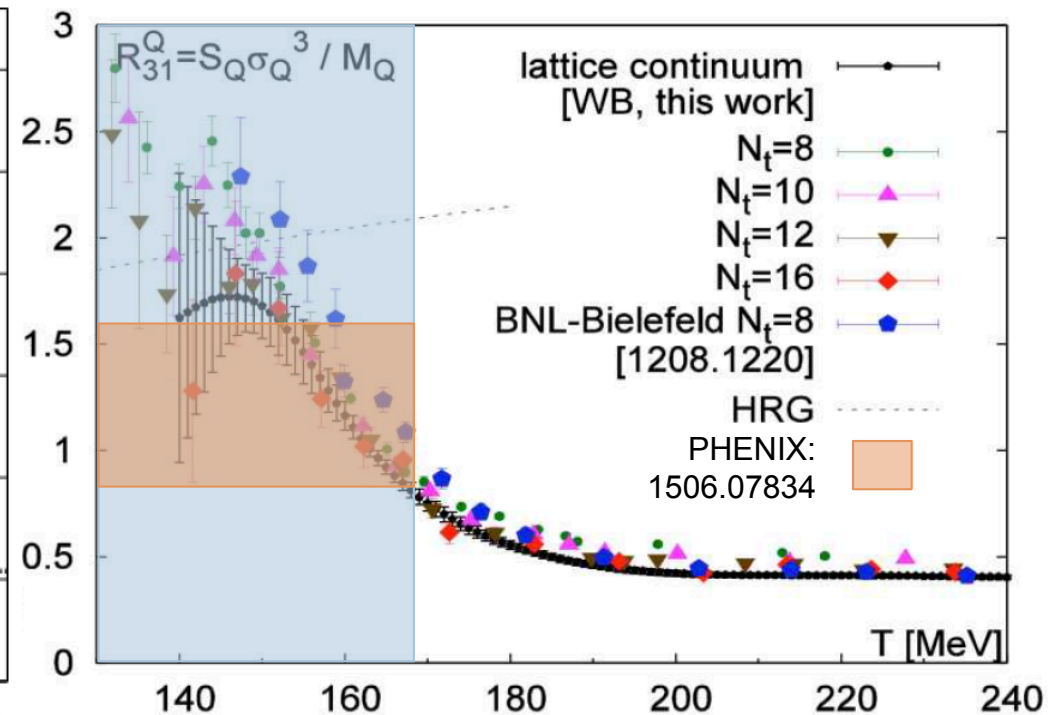
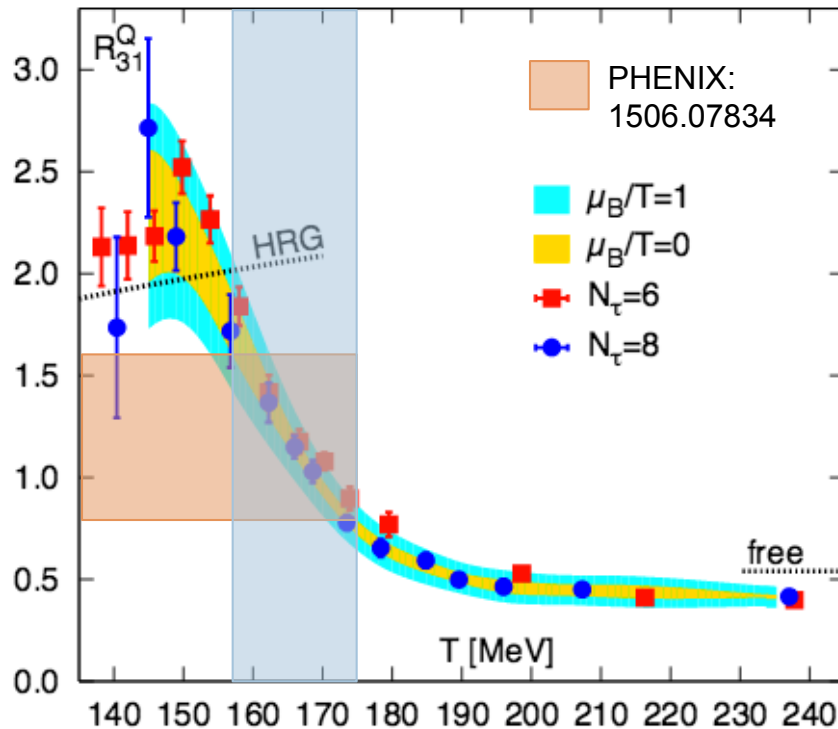




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# Freeze-out parameters from Q fluctuations



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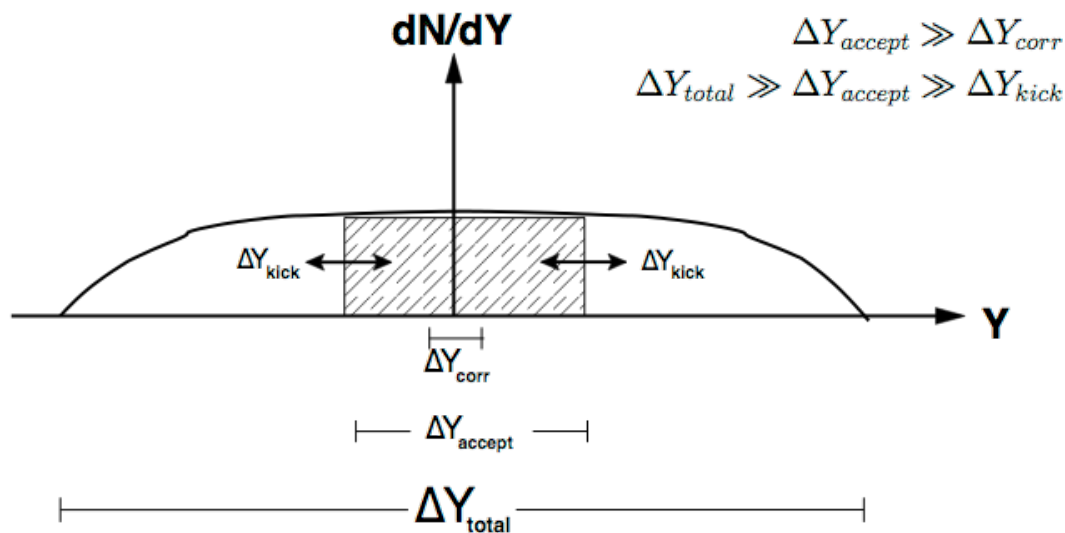
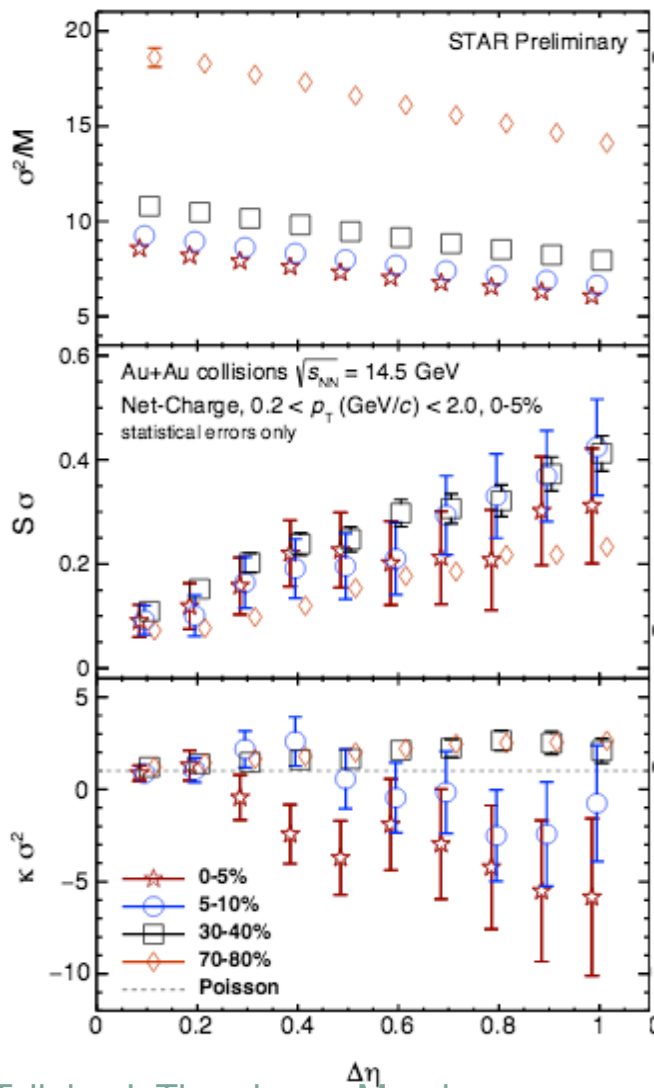
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F. Karsch et al., 1508.02614

□ Studies in HRG model: the different momentum cuts between STAR and PHENIX are responsible for more than 30% of their difference

□ Using continuum extrapolated lattice data, lower values for  $T_f$  are found

# Effects of kinematic cuts



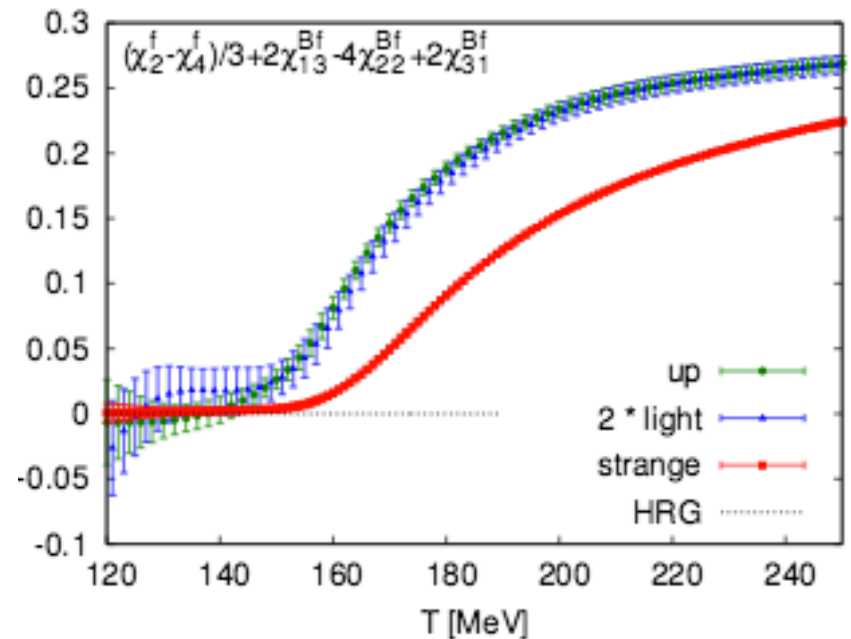
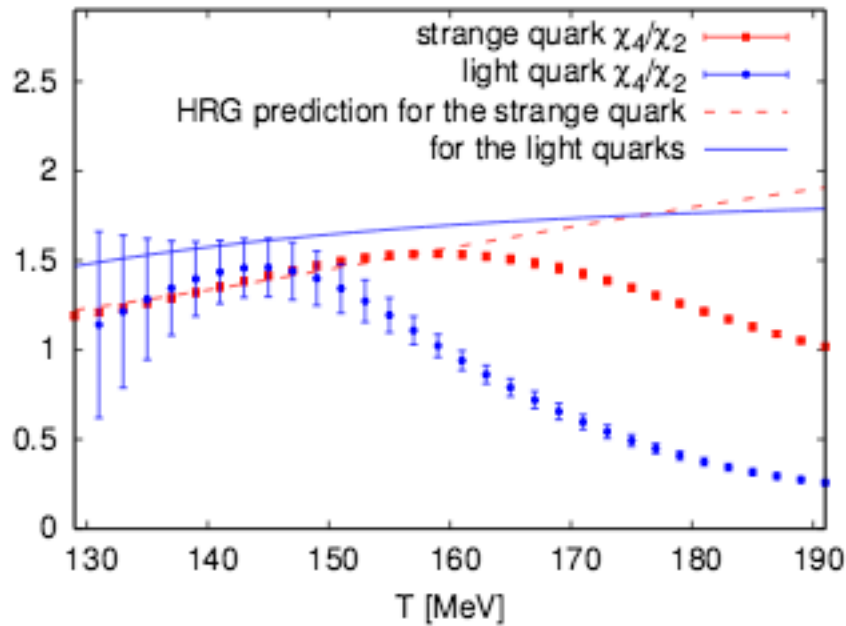
V. Koch, 0810.2520

- Rapidity dependence of moments needs to be studied for  $1 < \Delta\eta < 2$
- Difference in kinematic cuts between STAR and PHENIX leads to a 5% difference in  $T_f$

Talk by F. Karsch on Monday

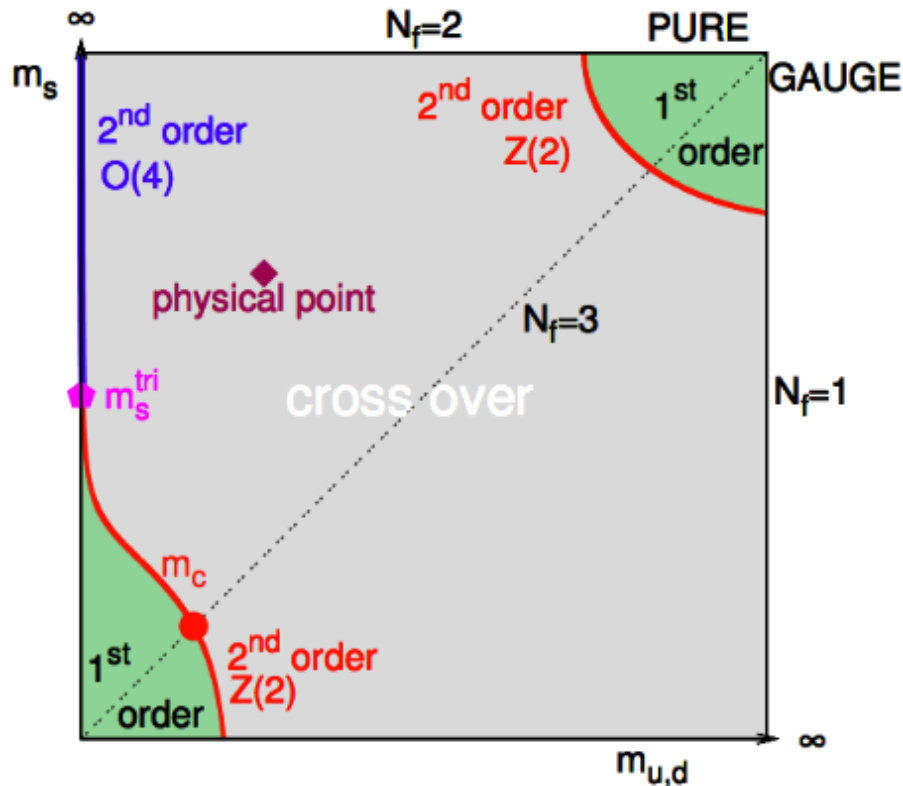
# Strangeness fluctuations

WB: R. Bellwied et al, PRL (2013)



- Lattice data hint at possible flavor-dependence in transition temperature
- Possibility of strange bound-states above  $T_c$ ?

# Columbia plot



- Pure gauge theory:  $T_c=294(2)$  MeV

Francis et al., 1503.05652

- $N_f=2$  QCD at  $m_{\pi} > m_{\pi}^{phys}$ :

- $O(a)$  improved Wilson,  $N_t=16$

-  $m_{\pi}=295$  MeV     $T_c=211(5)$  MeV

-  $m_{\pi}=220$  MeV     $T_c=193(7)$  MeV

Brandt et al., 1310.8326

- Twisted-mass QCD

-  $m_{\pi}=333$  MeV     $T_c=180(12)$  MeV

Burger et al., 1412.6748

- $N_f=2+1$   $O(a)$  improved Wilson

- Continuum results

Borsanyi et al., 1504.03676

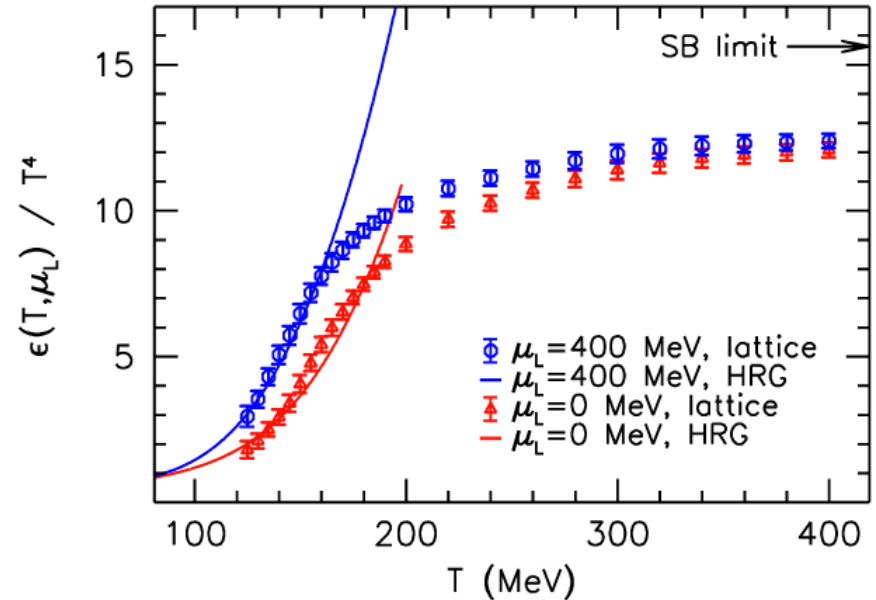
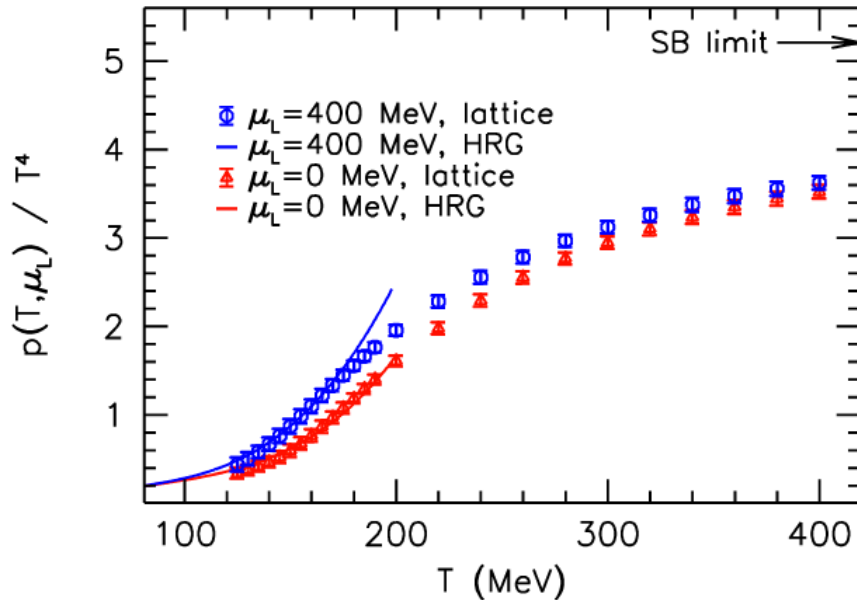
- HISQ action,  $N_t=6$ , no sign of 1<sup>st</sup> order phase transition at  $m_{\pi}=80$  MeV

HotQCD, 1312.0119, 1302.5740

# Equation of state at $\mu_B > 0$

- Expand the pressure in powers of  $\mu_B$  (or  $\mu_L = 3/2(\mu_u + \mu_d)$ )

$$\frac{p(T, \{\mu_i\})}{T^4} = \frac{p(T, \{0\})}{T^4} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \frac{\mu_i \mu_j}{T^2} \chi_2^{ij} \quad \text{with} \quad \chi_2^{ij} \equiv \frac{T}{V} \frac{1}{T^2} \frac{\partial^2 \log \mathcal{Z}}{\partial \mu_i \partial \mu_j} \Big|_{\mu_i = \mu_j = 0}$$



S. Borsanyi et al., JHEP (2012)

- Continuum extrapolated results at the physical mass

# Effect of resonance decays

- We used the PDG2014 to estimate the effect of resonance decays on the fit to proton and charge fluctuations
- The results agree with the ones obtained with the PDG2012 within errorbars

