

Fluctuations of conserved charges at zero and finite density

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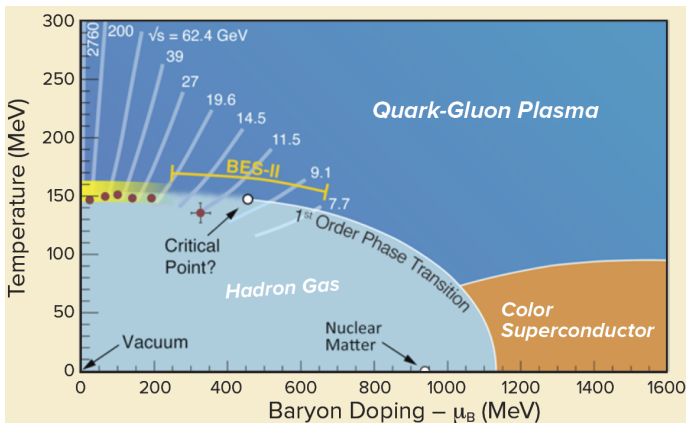
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Challenge: extend $\mu_B = 0$ lattice thermodynamics results to finite densities.



T_C : [[hep-lat/0611014](#),[hep-lat/0609068](#),[0903.4155](#),[1005.3508](#)], [[1111.1710](#)]

Equation of state: [[1005.3508](#),[1309.5258](#),[1606.07494](#)], [[1407.6387](#)]

Fluctuations: [[1112.4416](#),[1507.04627](#)], [[1203.0784](#),[1701.04325](#)]

Fluctuations in a grand canonical ensemble

The expectation value of a conserved charge is a derivative with respect to the chemical potential.

$$\langle N_q \rangle = T \frac{\partial \log Z(T, V, \{\mu_q\})}{\partial \mu_q}$$

The response of the system to the thermodynamic force μ_q is proportional to the fluctuation of the conserved charge:

$$\frac{\partial \langle N_i \rangle}{\partial \mu_j} = T \frac{\partial^2 \log Z(T, V, \{\mu_q\})}{\partial \mu_j \partial \mu_i} = \frac{1}{T} (\langle N_i N_j \rangle - \langle N_i \rangle \langle N_j \rangle)$$

The higher derivatives are the generalized quark number susceptibilities:

$$\chi_{i,j,k,l}^{u,d,s,c} = \frac{\partial^{i+j+k+l} (p/T^4)}{(\partial \hat{\mu}_u)^i (\partial \hat{\mu}_d)^j (\partial \hat{\mu}_s)^k (\partial \hat{\mu}_c)^l}$$

with $\hat{\mu}_q = \mu_q/T$.

We have to calculate $\mu_Q(\mu_B)$ and $\mu_S(\mu_B)$ that are defined by the constraints of the experimental setup:

$$\langle S \rangle = 0 \quad \langle Q \rangle / \langle B \rangle = Z^{Au} / A^{Au} \approx 0.4$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_Q &= V \chi_1^Q(\mu_B) = V \mu_B \left[\chi_{11}^{BQ} + \chi_{11}^{QS} \frac{d\mu_S}{d\mu_B} + \chi_2^Q \frac{d\mu_Q}{d\mu_B} \right] + \mathcal{O}(V \mu_B^3) \\ \sigma_Q^2 &= V \chi_2^Q(\mu_B) = V \chi_B^Q + \mathcal{O}(V \mu_B^2) \\ S_Q \sigma_Q^3 &= V \chi_3^Q(\mu_B) = V \mu_B \left[\chi_{13}^{BQ} + \chi_{31}^{QS} \frac{d\mu_S}{d\mu_B} + \chi_4^Q \frac{d\mu_Q}{d\mu_B} \right] + \mathcal{O}(V \mu_B^3) \\ \kappa \sigma_Q^4 &= V \chi_4^Q(\mu_B) = V \chi_B^Q + \mathcal{O}(V \mu_B^2) \end{aligned}$$

To leading order, at infinitesimal μ_B :

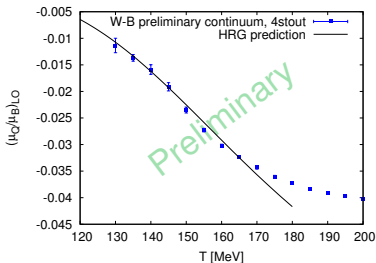
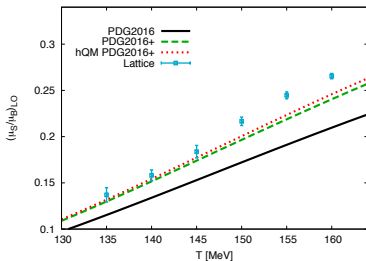
$$\frac{M_Q}{\mu_B \sigma_Q^2} = \frac{\chi_{11}^{BQ} + \chi_{11}^{QS} \frac{d\mu_S}{d\mu_B} + \chi_2^Q \frac{d\mu_Q}{d\mu_B}}{\chi_2^Q}; \quad \frac{S_Q \sigma_Q^3}{M_Q} = \frac{\chi_{13}^{BQ} + \chi_{31}^{QS} \frac{d\mu_S}{d\mu_B} + \chi_4^Q \frac{d\mu_Q}{d\mu_B}}{\chi_{11}^{BQ} + \chi_{11}^{QS} \frac{d\mu_S}{d\mu_B} + \chi_2^Q \frac{d\mu_Q}{d\mu_B}}$$

Strangeness and electric charge chemical potential

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Our latest continuum extrapolations with up to $N_\tau = 24$:



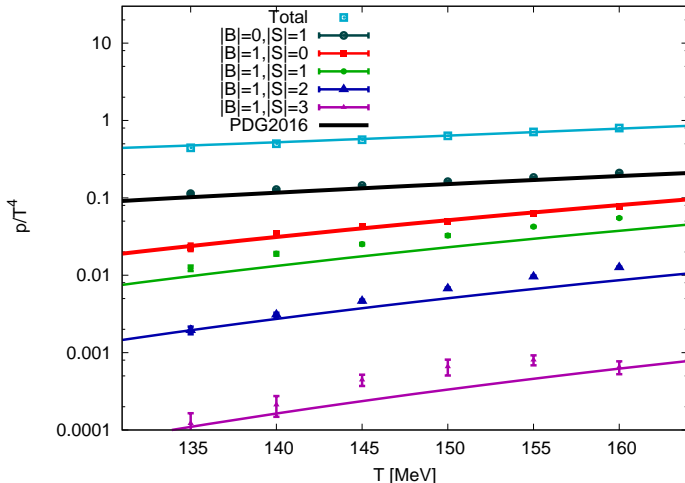
See also:

HotQCD: [\[1208.1220,1404.6511\]](#)

Wuppertal-Budapest: [\[1305.5161\]](#)

Strangeness sectors from the lattice

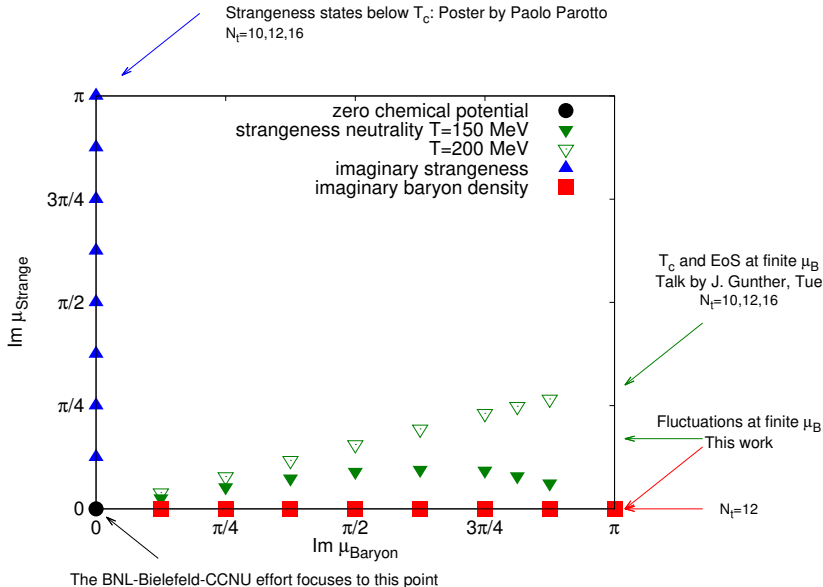
Lattice can calculate the partial pressure sector by sector.



Discrepancy to HRG: *indication for undiscovered resonances?*

poster by Paolo Parotto **G19** [1702.01113]

Simulation landscape with imaginary μ

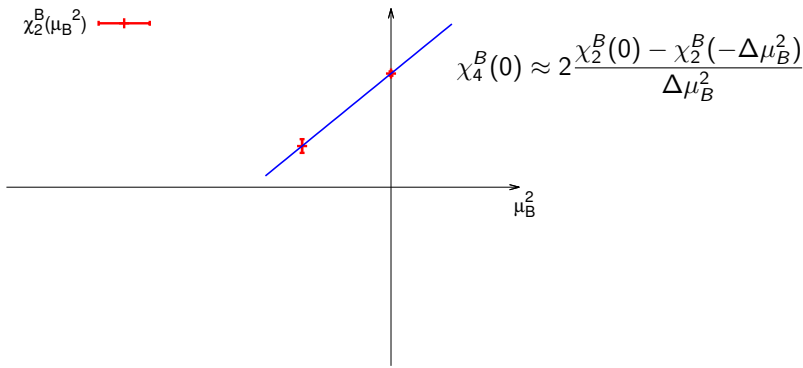


The imaginary μ_B approach

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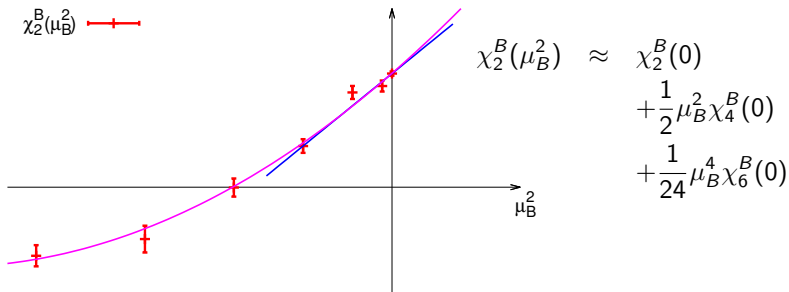


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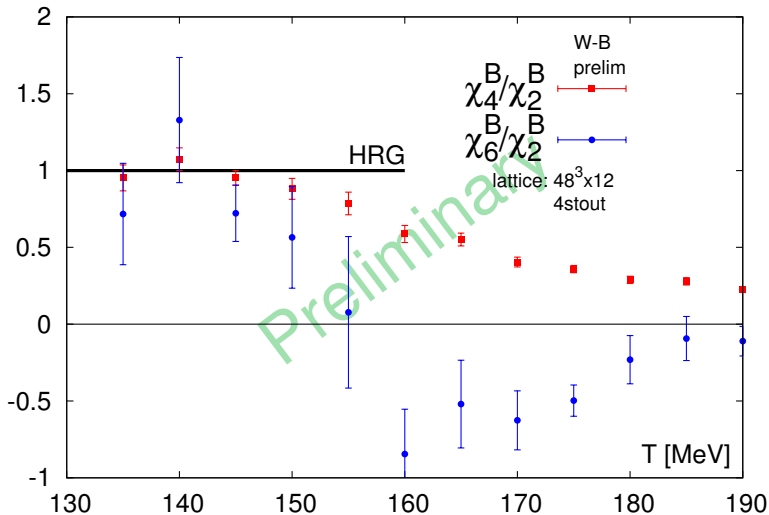
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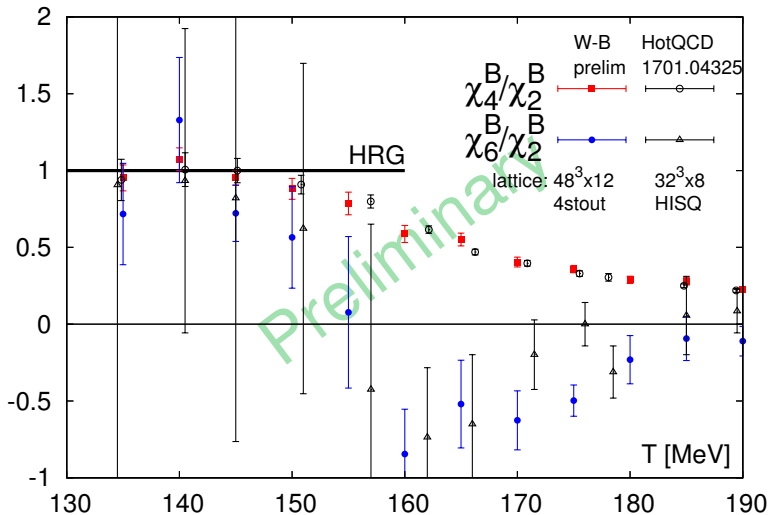
See also: [Wuppertal-Budapest 1607.02493, D'Elia et al 1611.08285]

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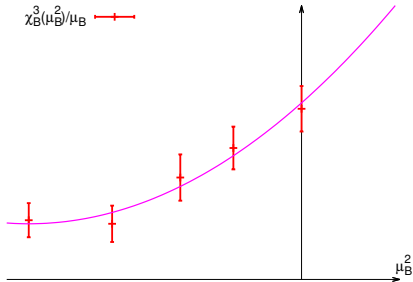
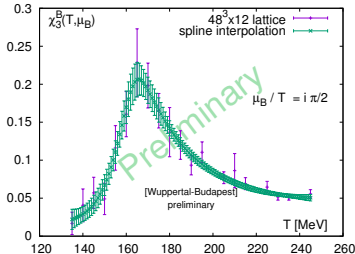


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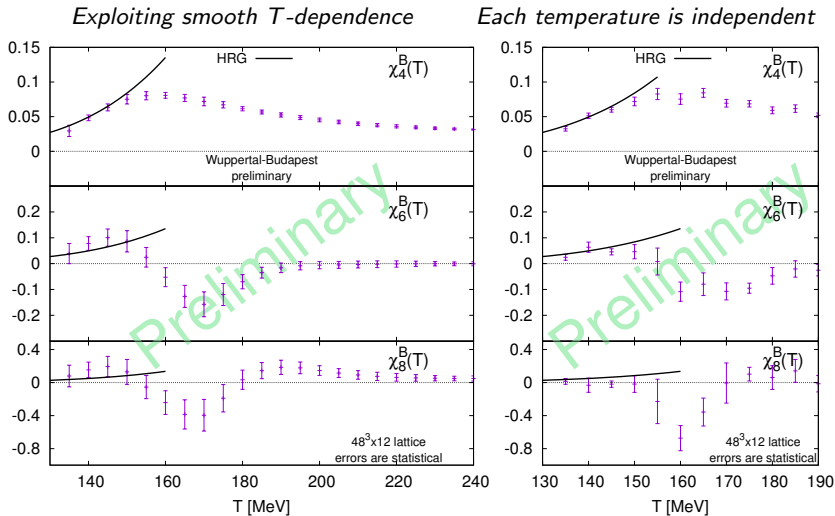
A spline interpolation of independent lattice results reduces statistical errors, *but might introduce systematic errors*.

We assume that there is no phase transition at imaginary the studied part of the imaginary- μ_B phase diagram. [Bonati et al 1602.01426]



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\chi_3^B(\mu_B^2)}{\mu_B} &\approx \chi_4^B(0) \\ &+ \frac{1}{6} \mu_B^2 \chi_6^B(0) \\ &+ \frac{1}{120} \mu_B^4 \chi_8^B(0) \end{aligned}$$

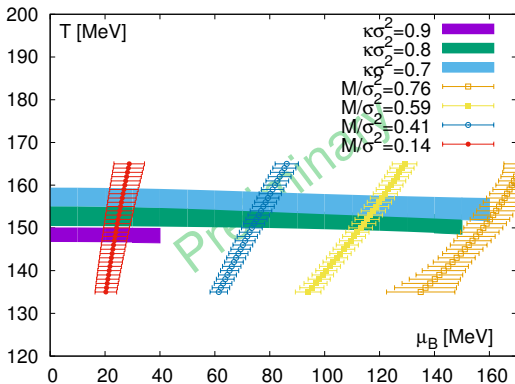
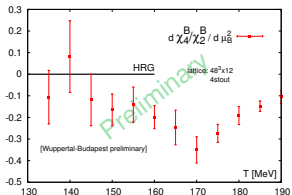
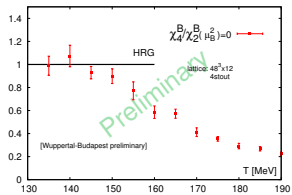
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Systematic errors are not shown

Baryon kurtosis extrapolated

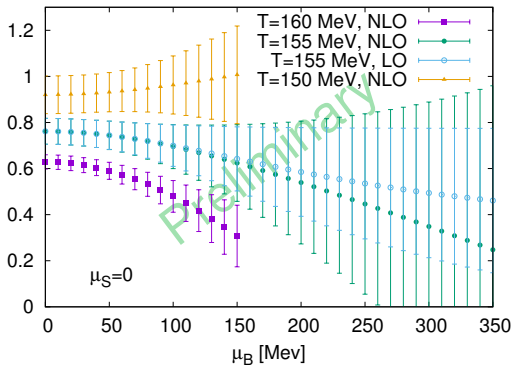
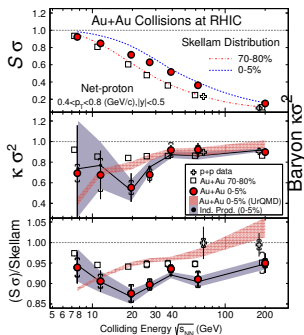
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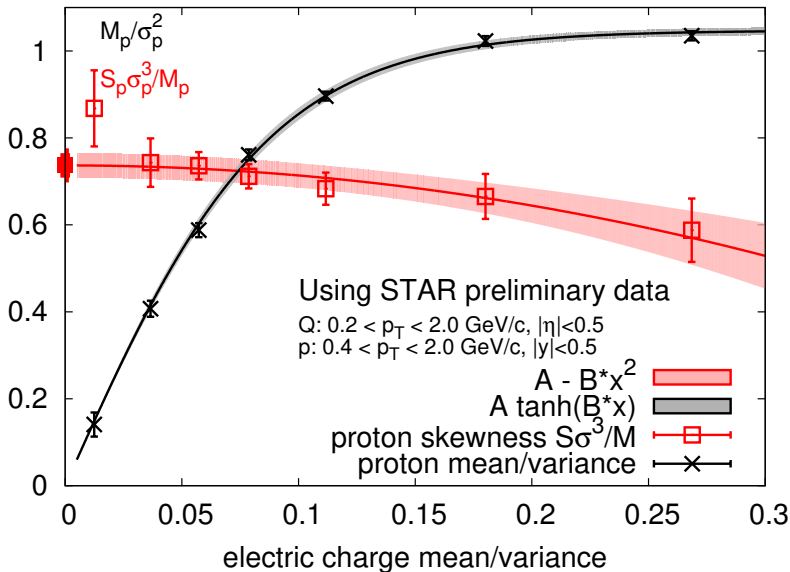
Baryon kurtosis extrapolated

Using the $48^3 \times 12$ data set with spline interpolation we can make use of the $\chi_2^B \dots \chi_8^B$ fit to extrapolate the kurtosis to finite μ_B .

Here we simply used the parameters $\mu_S = \mu_Q = 0$.



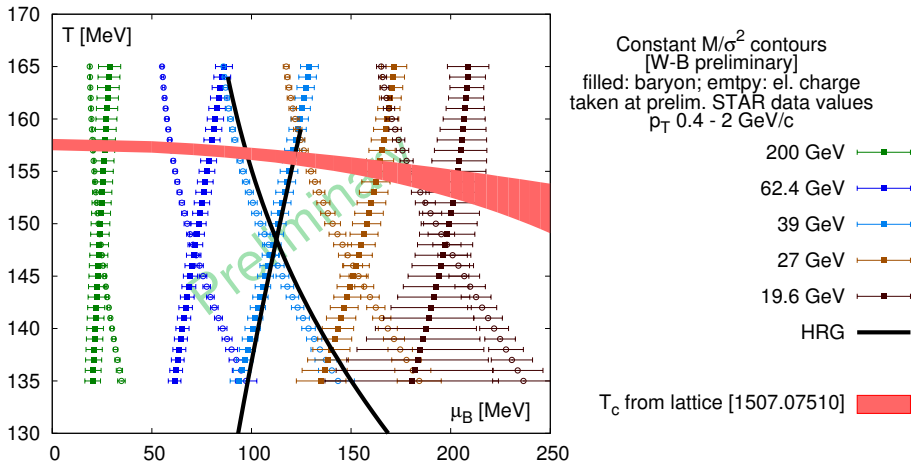
Fluctuations by the STAR experiment



Contours of constant fluctuations on the phase diagram

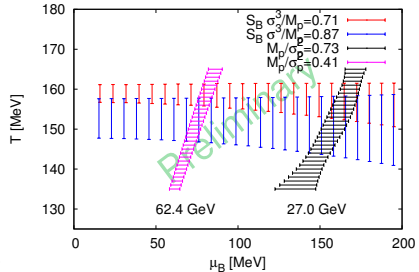
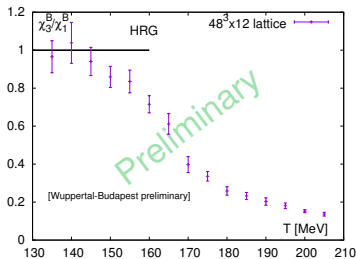
As a realistic example we take the preliminary STAR proton and electric charge fluctuation data [1309.5681,1402.1558].

$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ [GeV]	200	62.4	39	27	19.6
σ_p^2/M_p	7.10(1)(138)	2.46(0)(11)	1.70(0)(5)	1.31(0)(2)	1.12(0)(1)
σ_Q^2/M_Q	80.2(2)(1)	27.32(7)(3)	17.46(3)(1)	12.71(3)(1)	8.95(3)(1)



Baryon skewness extrapolated

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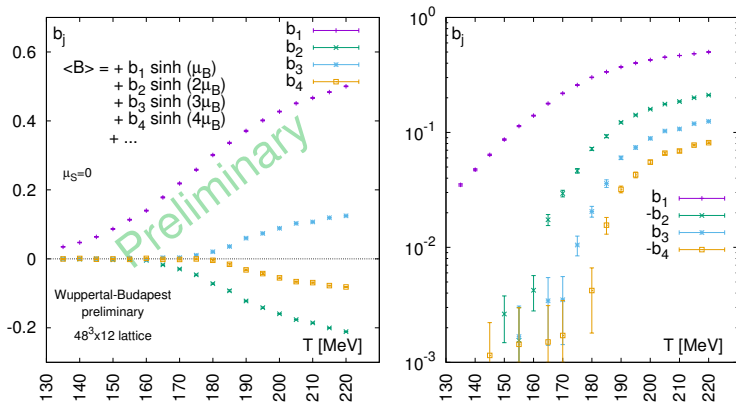
In a direct comparison STAR's new fluctuation data would correspond to temperatures where the HRG result is no longer trustworthy.

A Fourier analysis of the imaginary density

HRG prediction (*Boltzmann approximation*):

$$\langle B \rangle \sim VT^3 \chi_2^B(T) \sinh(\mu_B/T)$$

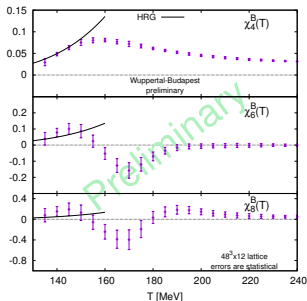
Using imaginary μ_B we represent $\langle B \rangle = i \sum_{j=1} b_j \sin(\text{Im}\mu_B/T)$



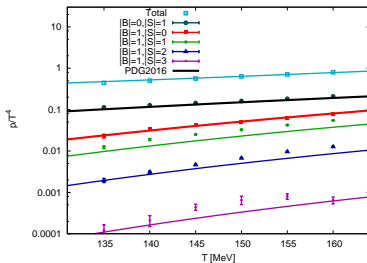
The emergence of a negative $\sinh(2\mu_B/t)$ contribution signals deconfinement.

- Lattice QCD is making good progress in exploring thermodynamics.
 - Low order fluctuations are well established in the continuum limit, even at small μ_B , higher order fluctuations are subject of current research.
 - Higher order fluctuations can be explored with large statistics $\mu_B = 0$ simulations (BNL-Bielefeld way) or with studying the response to imaginary chemical potential (Wuppertal-Budapest strategy).
- Two applications:

High net-baryon moments:



The pressure contribution of $|S|=0,1,2,3$ mesons and baryons.



The sign problem

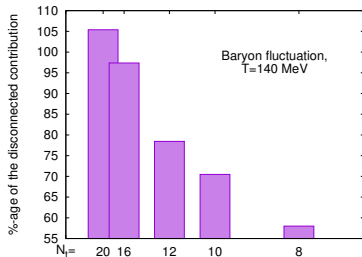
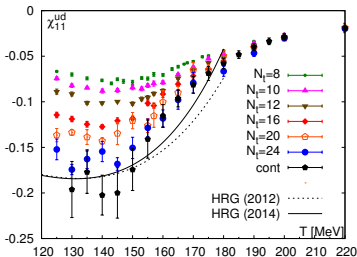
The partition function of the lattice gauge theory with staggered fermions is

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}U e^{-S_g} (\det M_u(\mu_u))^{1/4} (\det M_d(\mu_d))^{1/4} (\det M_s(\mu_s))^{1/4} = \int \mathcal{D}U e^{-S_{\text{eff}}}$$

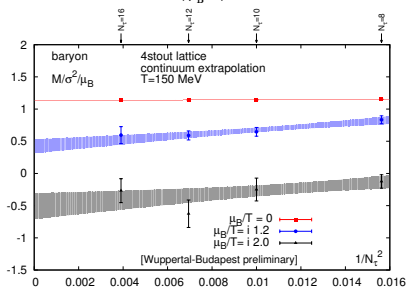
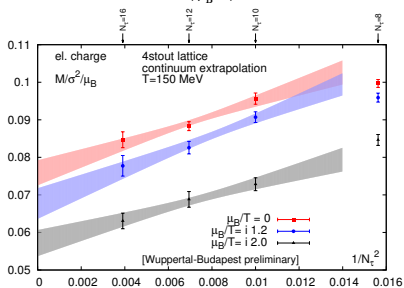
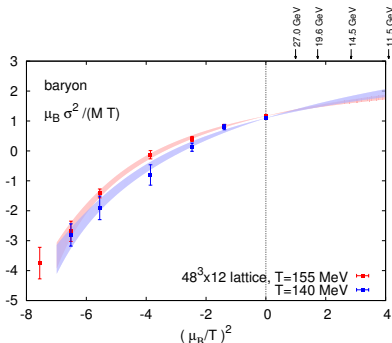
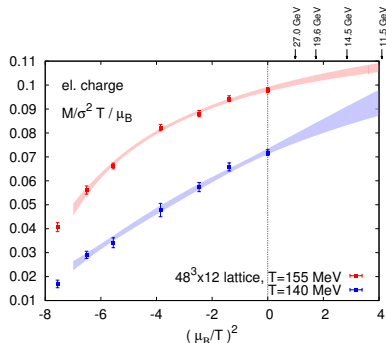
where S_g is the gauge action. For $\mu > 0$ the determinant becomes complex. The fermion determinant $\det M = |\det M| e^{i\theta}$ has a fluctuating phase at small $\mu > 0$: [Allton hep-lat/02040130, Wuppertal-Budapest 1507.04627]

$$\langle \theta^2 \rangle = -\frac{1}{9} \mu_B^2 L^3 T N_f^2 \chi_{11}^{ud}$$

(~ 1 at $\mu_B \approx 100$ MeV, with $T = T_c$ and $LT = 3$.)



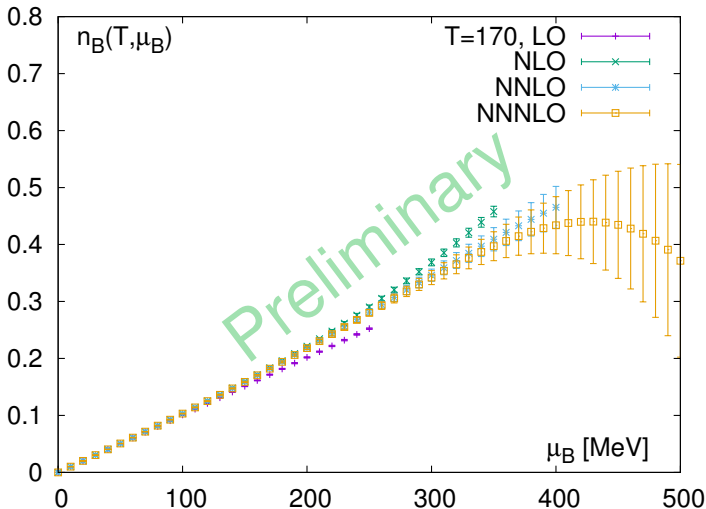
Extending to imaginary μ_B



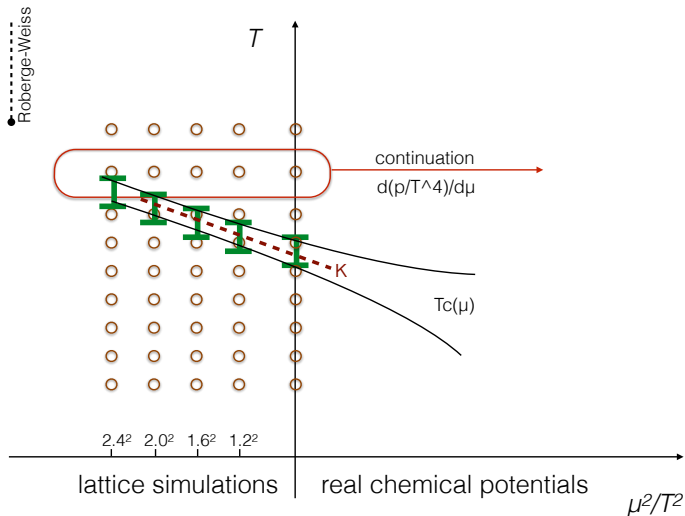
Baryon density at various orders

Slightly above T_c $\chi_6^B(T)$ and $\chi_8^B(T)$ show negative peaks.

How does this affect the extrapolation of the baryon density?



Analytic continuation



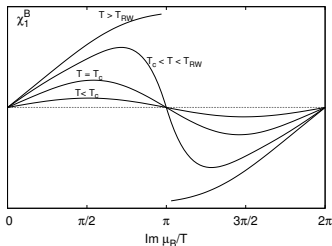
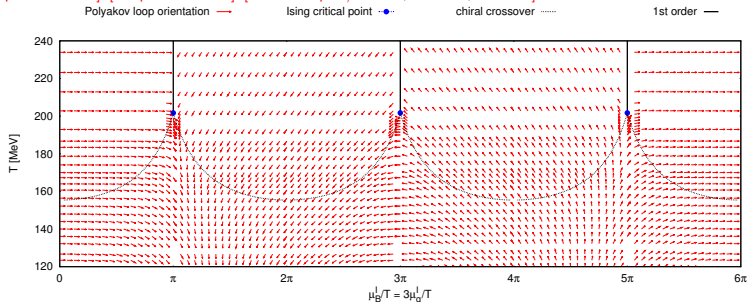
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At low T only B states contribute:

$$\chi_1^B \sim \sin(\mu_B/T)$$

Then $\chi_4^B/\chi_2^B = 1$ as we find in simulations.

At high T fractional charges are required to make a first order transition at $\mu_B = \pi T$:

$$\chi_1^B \sim \sin(\mu_B/T/3)$$