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Dynamical critical fluctuations near the QCD critical point

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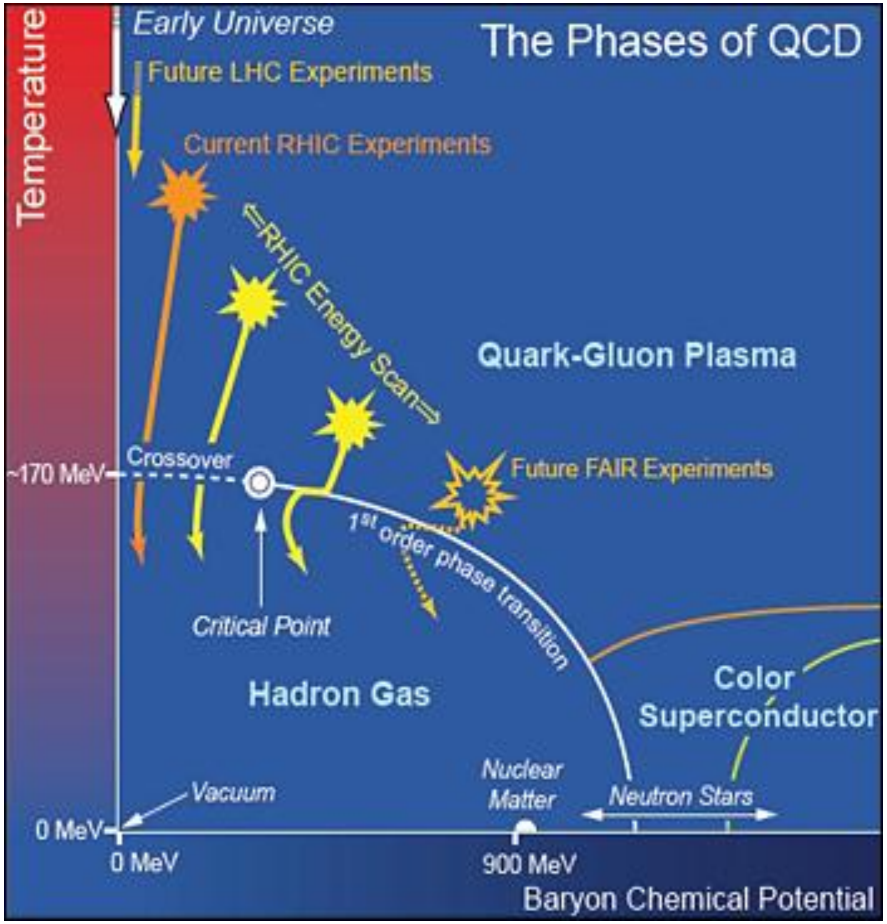
QCD phase transition & CP

Critical Point --- the landmark of the QCD phase diagram.



- **Theoretical analysis, CP is predicted.**
- **Lattice simulation :**
  - small μ, finite T
  - **crossover**
- **Effective theories**
  - (P)NJL, QM, FRG, DSE, etc)
  - finite T and large μ
  - **1st order**
- **Experimental facilities:**
  - RHIC (BES)
  - FAIR, NICA

➢ **The location of CP? The signals?**

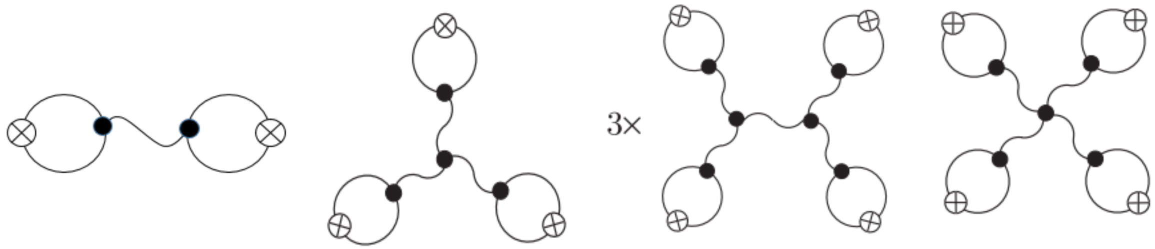
M. Stephanov, PRL 102, 032301(2009)

$$P[\sigma] \sim \exp\{-\Omega[\sigma]/T\}, \qquad \Omega = \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2}(\nabla\sigma)^2 + \frac{m_\sigma^2}{2}\sigma^2 + \frac{\lambda_3}{3}\sigma^3 + \frac{\lambda_4}{4}\sigma^4 + \cdots\right].$$

$$\langle\sigma_0^2\rangle = \frac{T}{V}\xi^2 \qquad \langle\sigma_0^3\rangle = \frac{2\lambda_3 T}{V}\xi^6; \qquad \langle\sigma_0^4\rangle_c = \frac{6T}{V}[2(\lambda_3\xi)^2 - \lambda_4]\xi^8$$

- Non-gaussian fluctuations:

$$\left\langle(\delta N)^2\right\rangle \sim \xi^2$$
$$\left\langle(\delta N)^3\right\rangle \sim \xi^{4.5}$$
$$\left\langle(\delta N)^4\right\rangle \sim \xi^7$$

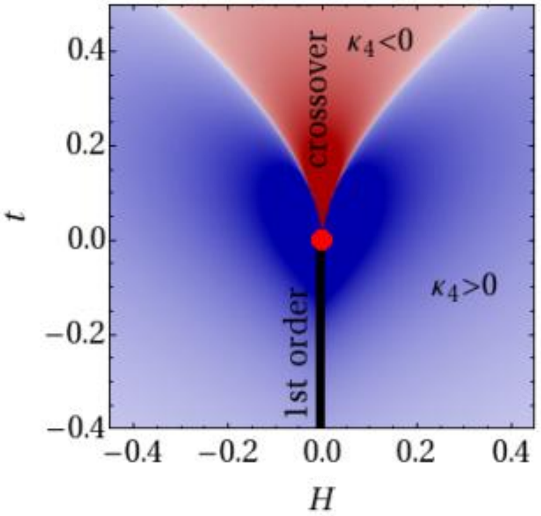


- **kurtosis:**

$\kappa_4 < 0$, from the crossover side

$\kappa_4 > 0$, from the 1st order side

Nonmonotonic in the vicinity of CP



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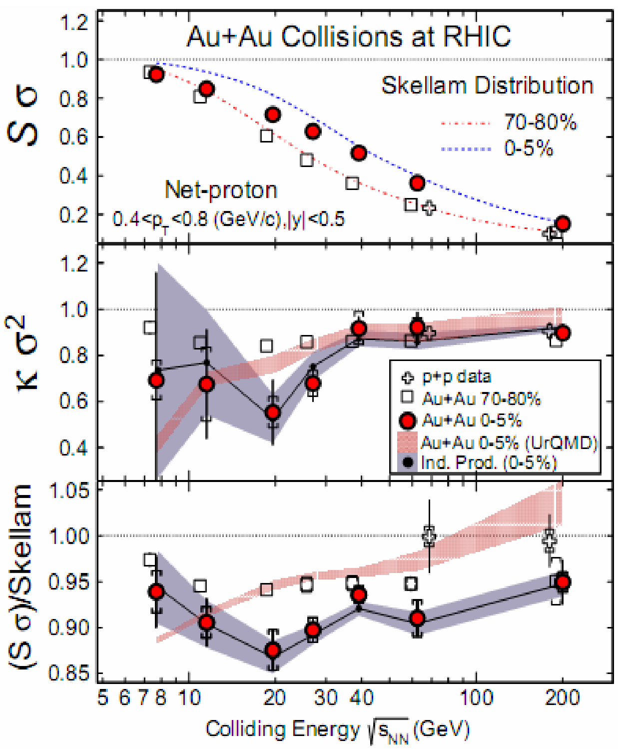
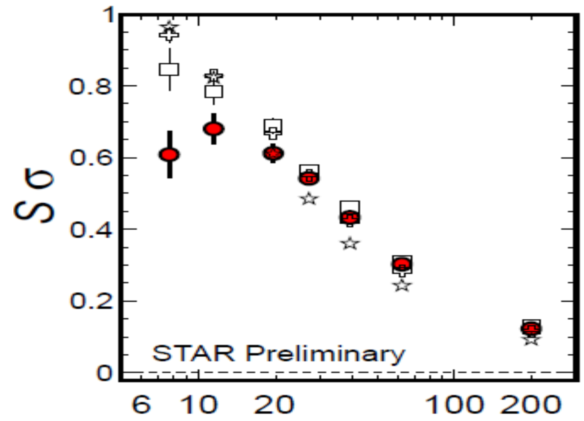
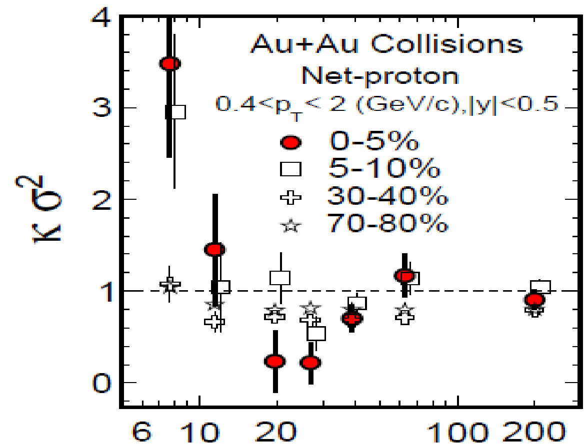
STAR BES: cumulants ratios



STAR Collaboration, PRL, 112, 032302 (2013)





$$S\,\sigma = \frac{C_3}{C_2} \sim \chi_B^{(3)}/\chi_B^{(2)}$$

$$\kappa\sigma^2 = \frac{C_4}{C_2} \sim \chi_B^{(4)}/\chi_B^{(2)}$$

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Indications from experimental data:

- **Deviations from statistical baselines.**
- **Nonmonotonic at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} \sim 20\ GeV$.**

Equilibrium critical fluctuations?

Dynamical critical fluctuations?

Equilibrium critical fluctuations

Equilibrium critical fluctuations along the freeze out surface

The basic idea

Particle emissions in HIC near Critical Point, Cooper-Frye formula: Jiang, Li & Song , PRC, 94, 024918

$$E\frac{dN}{d^3p} = \int_\Sigma \frac{p_\mu d\sigma^\mu}{2\pi^3} f(x,p) \xrightarrow{M \to g(\bar{\sigma}+\sigma(x))} \begin{aligned} f(x,p) &= f_0(x,p)\left[1 - g\sigma(x)/(\gamma T)\right] \\ &= f_0 + \delta f \end{aligned}$$

Critical fluctuations for particles on the freeze-out surface

$$\langle(\delta N)^n\rangle_c = \left(\frac{g_i}{(2\pi)^3}\right)^n \left(\prod_{i=1,\dots,n} \int \frac{1}{E_i} d^3p_i \int_{\Sigma_i} p_{i\mu} d\sigma_i^\mu\right) \left(-\frac{g}{T}\right)^n \frac{f_{01}\cdots f_{0n}}{\gamma_1\cdots\gamma_n} \langle\sigma_1\dots\sigma_n\rangle_c$$

with n=2,3,4, the spatial correlators of sigma are written as

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle\sigma_1\sigma_2\rangle_c &= TD(x_1-x_2)\,, \\
\langle\sigma_1\sigma_2\sigma_3\rangle_c &= -2T^2\lambda_3 \int d^3z D(x_1-z)\,D(x_2-z)\,D(x_3-z)\,, \\
\langle\sigma_1\sigma_2\sigma_3\sigma_4\rangle_c &= -6T^3\lambda_4 \int d^3z D(x_1-z)\,D(x_2-z)\,D(x_3-z)\,D(x_4-z) \\
&\quad +12T^3\lambda_3^2 \int d^3u \int d^3v D(x_1-u)\,D(x_2-u)\,D(x_3-v)\,D(x_4-v)\,D(u-v)\,.
\end{aligned}$$

In an isothermal and equilibrated system, integrate over coordinate space, the results in Stephanov's PRL09 are reproduced.

Acceptance dependence of BES data

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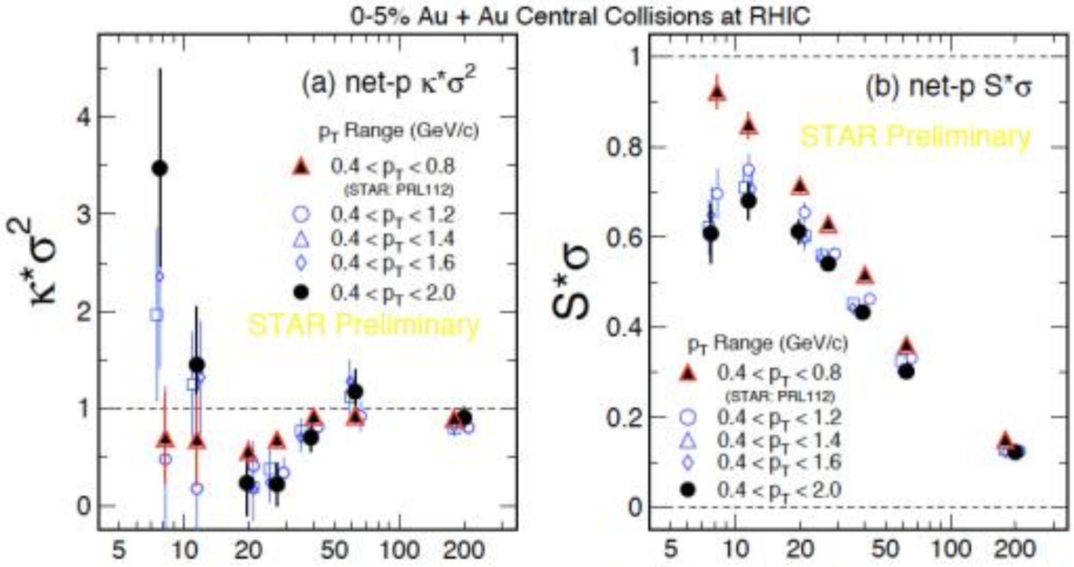

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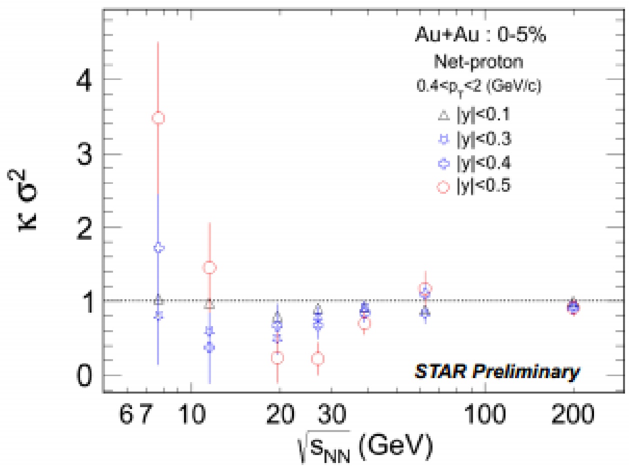

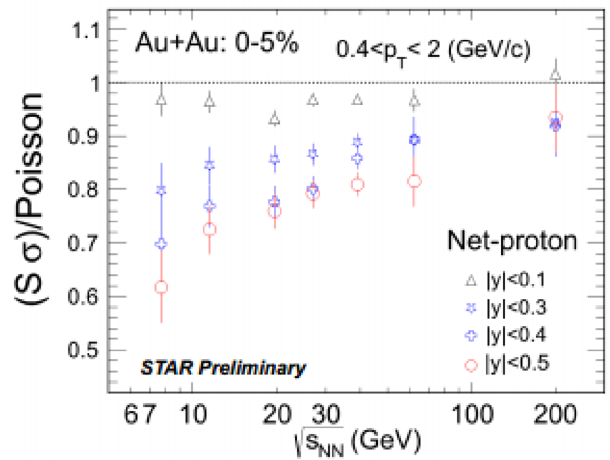

The signals are significantly enhanced when the pt and y acceptance are increased.

Acceptance dependence of critical fluctuations

p_T dependence:

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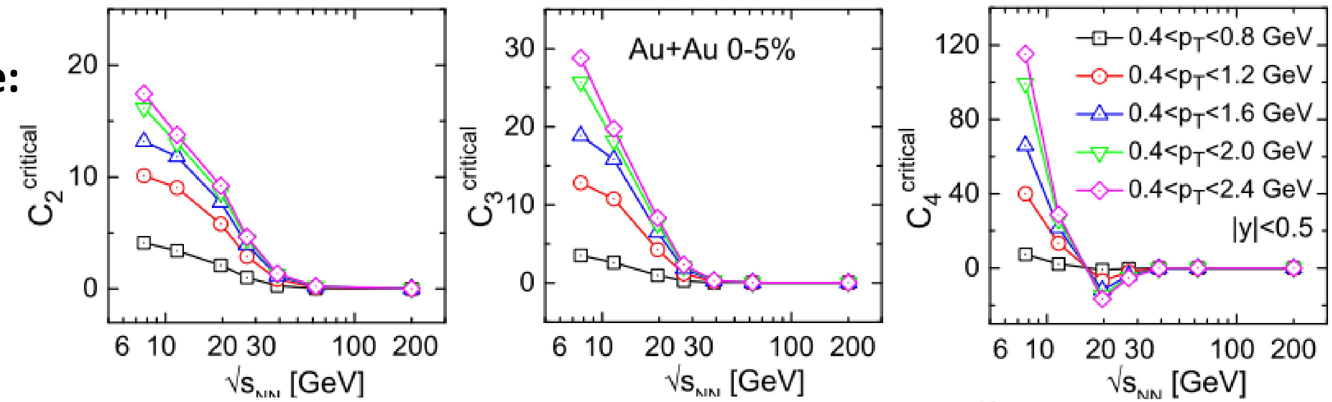

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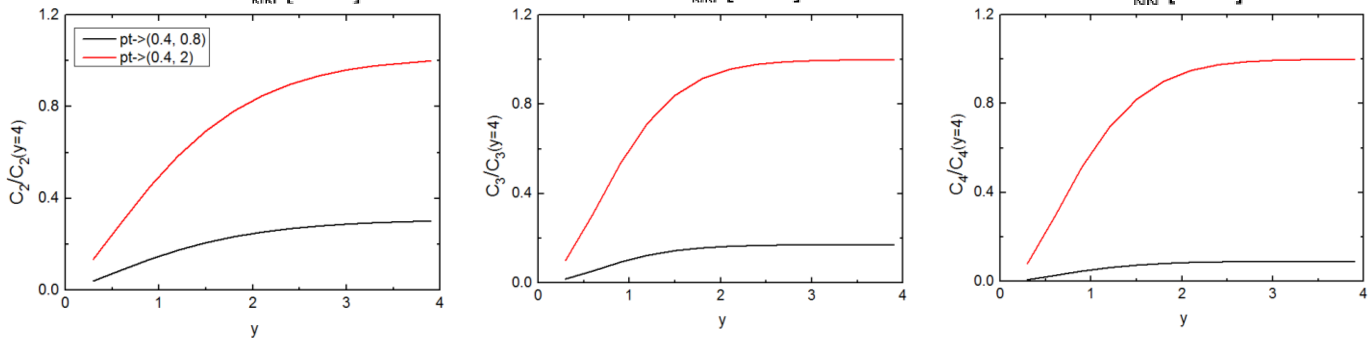
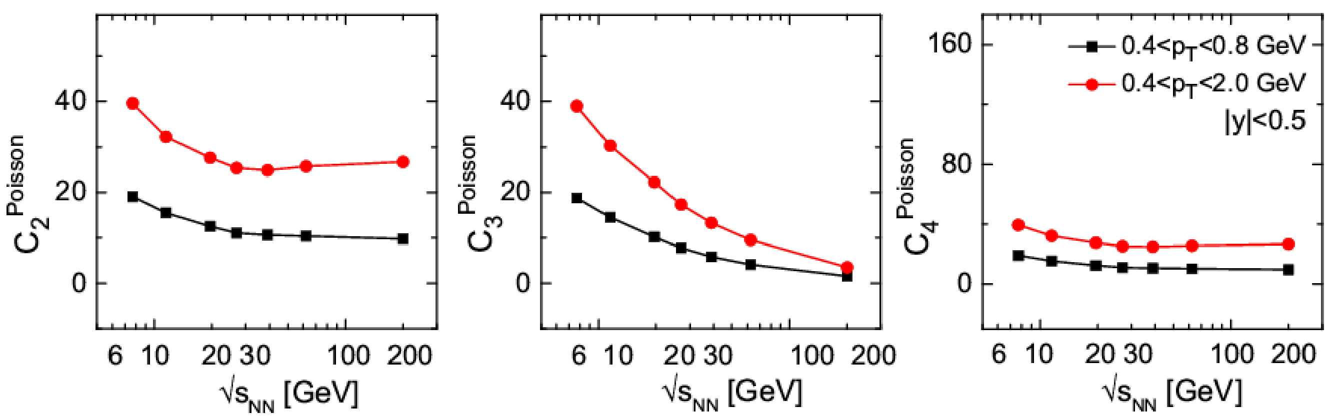


Notes from Jiang & Song

baselines:



Similar behaviors for critical fluctuations with blast wave model. [Ling & Stephanov PRC 93, 034915]

Cumulants and cumulants ratios

Net Protons 0-5%

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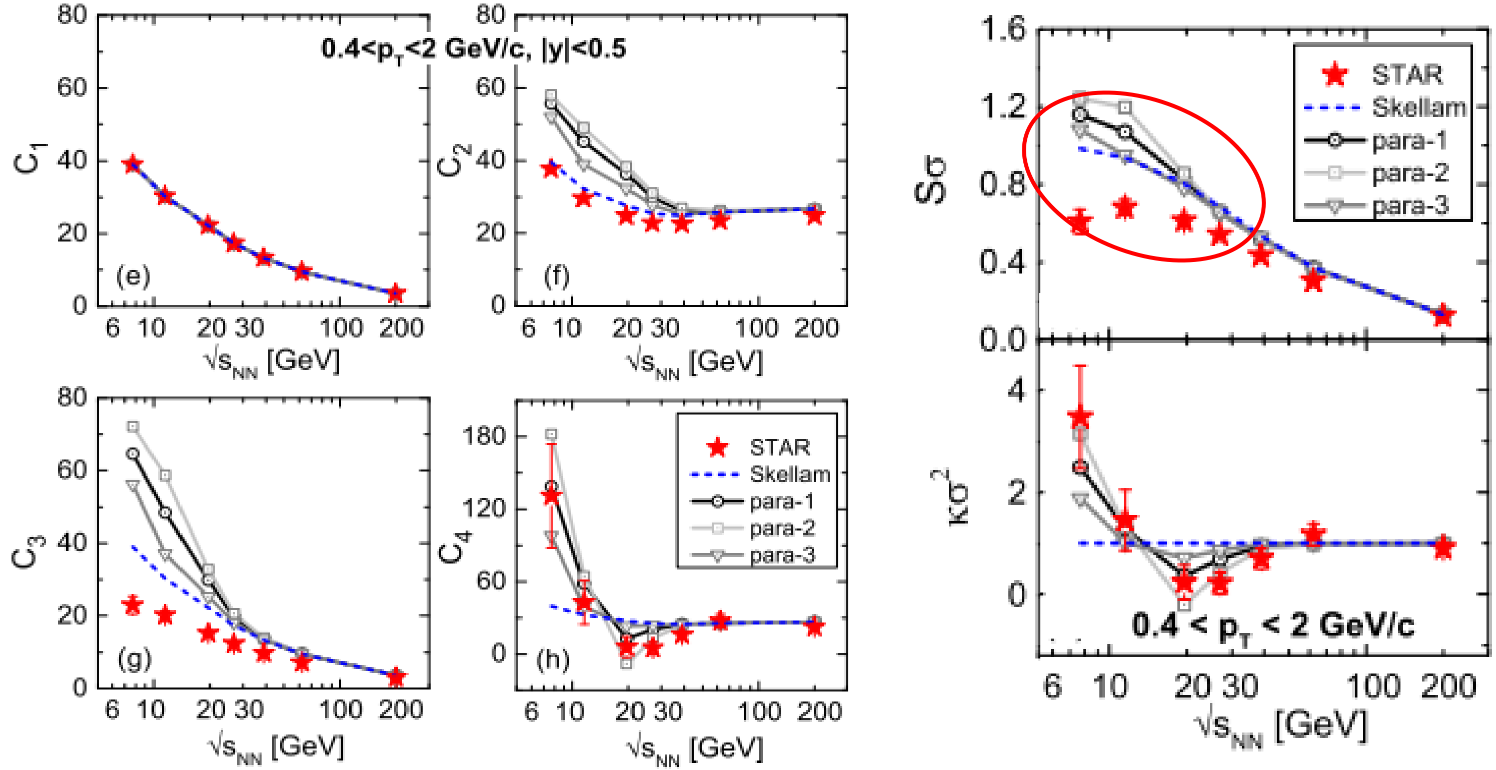

- **adding statistical baselines to critical fluctuations.**
- **The C4 and $\kappa\sigma^2$ are approximately described.**
- **over predict C2 and C3 due to positive contribution of critical fluctuations.**

Possible issues

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- **the relation between the critical fluctuations and statistical fluctuations**
- **contributions from other non-critical fluctuations**
  the volume fluctuations, participant fluctuations, etc
  [P. Braun-Munzinger, A. Rustamov, J. Stachel, Nucl. Phys. A 960 (2017) 114-130]
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▪ **dynamical** critical fluctuations?

Real time evolution from Fokker-Plank equation

The Fokker-Plank equation

Mukherjee, Venugopalan & Yin PRC 2015

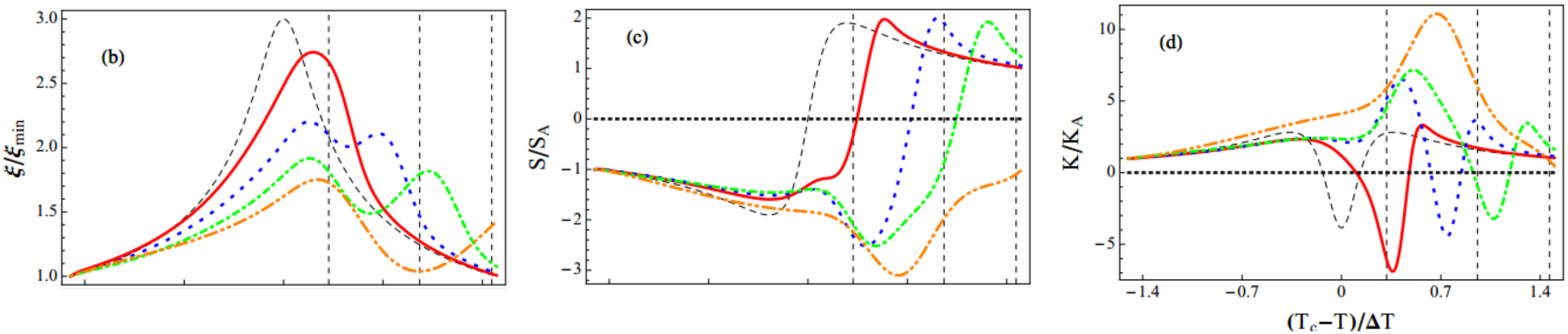
$$\partial_\tau P(\sigma;\tau) = \frac{1}{(m_\sigma^2 \tau_{\rm eff})}\left\{\partial_\sigma \left[\partial_\sigma \Omega_0(\sigma) + V_4^{-1}\partial_\sigma\right] P(\sigma;\tau)\right\},$$

The higher order cumulants

$$\partial_\tau \kappa_2(\tau) = -2\,\tau_{\rm eff}^{-1}\,(b^2)\left[\left(\frac{\kappa_2}{b^2}\right)F_2(M) - 1\right]\left[1+\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)\right],$$

$$\partial_\tau \kappa_3(\tau) = -3\,\tau_{\rm eff}^{-1}\,(\epsilon\, b^3)\left[\left(\frac{\kappa_3}{\epsilon\, b^3}\right)F_2(M) + \left(\frac{\kappa_2}{b^2}\right)^2 F_3(M)\right]\times\left[1+\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)\right],$$

$$\partial_\tau \kappa_4(\tau) = -4\,\tau_{\rm eff}^{-1}\,(\epsilon^2\, b^4)\left\{\left(\frac{\kappa_4}{\epsilon^2\, b^4}\right)F_2(M) + 3\left(\frac{\kappa_2}{b^2}\right)\left(\frac{\kappa_3}{\epsilon\, b^3}\right)F_3(M) + \left(\frac{\kappa_2}{b^2}\right)^3 F_4\right\}\times\left[1+\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)\right].$$



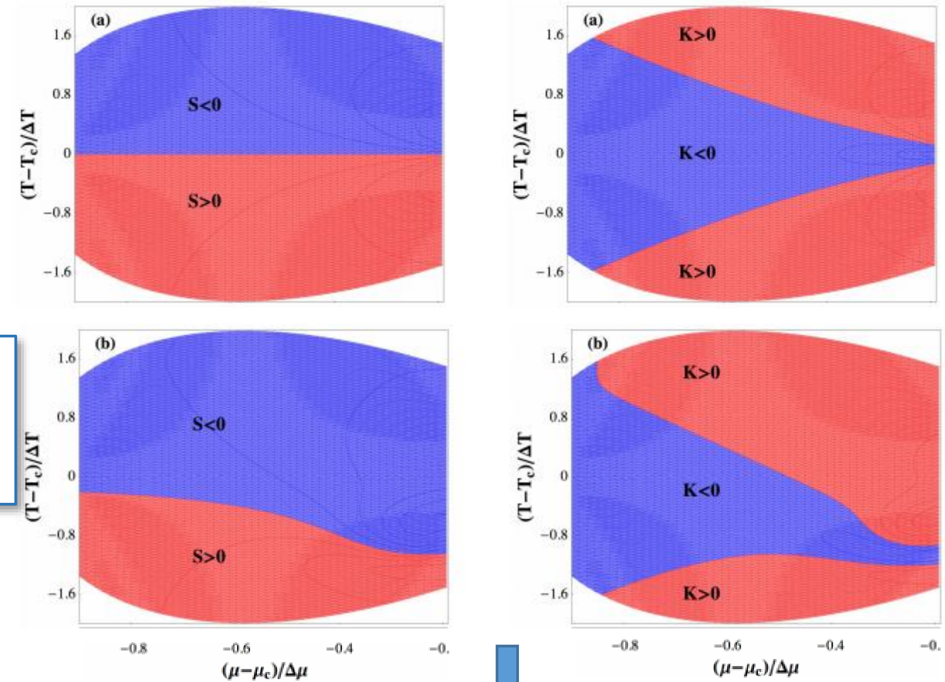
- **Memory effects from dynamical evolution**
- **The sign and value of Skewness and Kurtosis can be different from equilibrated ones.**

Different dynamical equations

Mukherjee, Venugopalan & Yin PRC 2015

- **Fokker-Plank equation:**

$$\frac{d\kappa_n}{d\tau} = L[\kappa_n, \kappa_{n-1}, \ldots]$$



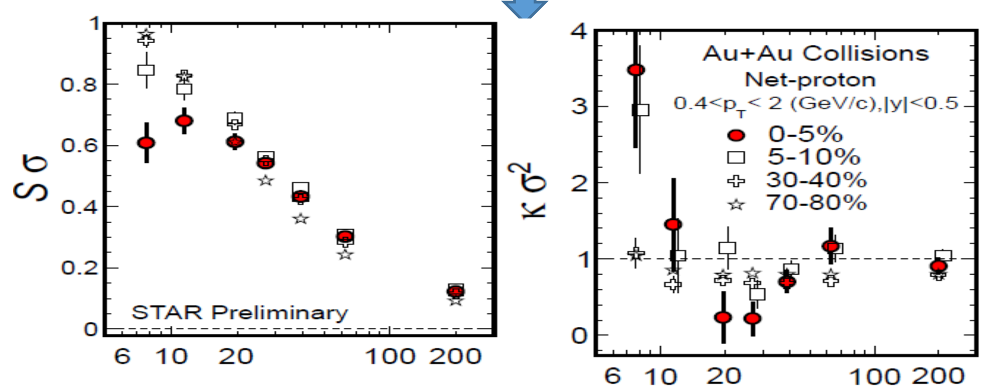
A realistic dynamical evolution in (t, x) space?

spatial and events information averaged out.

- **Langevin equation:**

$$\partial^\mu \partial_\mu \sigma\,(t,x) + \eta \partial_t \sigma\,(t,x) + V'_{eff}\,(\sigma) = \xi\,(t,x)$$

- event-by-event simulation
- spatial time information recorded



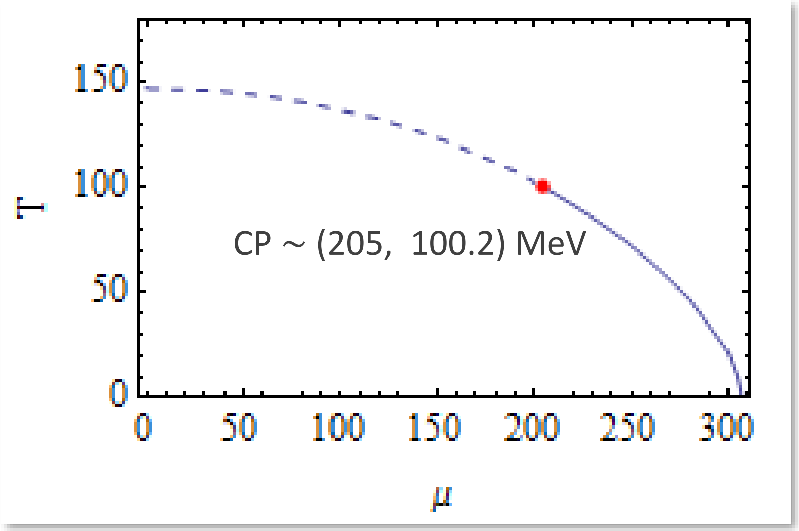
Dynamical critical fluctuations from Langevin dynamics

e-b-e Langevin dynamics

Jiang, Wu, Song, arXiv:1704.04765; in preparation

- **The Lagrangian of linear sigma model**

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{q}\left[i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - g\left(\sigma + i\gamma_5\vec{\tau}\cdot\vec{\pi}\right) + \gamma_0\mu\right]q + \frac{1}{2}\left(\partial_{\mu}\sigma\partial^{\mu}\sigma + \partial_{\mu}\vec{\pi}\partial^{\mu}\vec{\pi}\right) - U\left(\sigma,\vec{\pi}\right)$$



- **Effective potential:** ($<\vec{\pi}>=0$)

$$V_{eff}\left(\sigma\right) = U\left(\sigma\right) + \Omega_{q\bar{q}}\left(\sigma;T,\mu\right)$$

$$U\left(\sigma\right) = \frac{1}{4}\lambda^2\left(\sigma^2 - v^2\right)^2 - h\sigma - U_0$$

$$\Omega_{q\bar{q}}\left(\sigma;T,\mu\right) = -d_q\int\frac{d^3p}{\left(2\pi\right)^3}\left\{E + T\ln\left[1 + e^{-(E-\mu)/T}\right] + T\ln\left(1 + e^{-(E+\mu)/T}\right)\right\}$$

- **Langevin equation:** $\partial^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\sigma\left(t,x\right) + \eta\partial_t\sigma\left(t,x\right) + V'_{eff}\left(\sigma\right) = \xi\left(t,x\right)$

- **Isothermal system, with the decreasing of temperature**

$$\frac{T\left(t\right)}{T_0} = \left(\frac{t}{t_0}\right)^{-0.45}$$ (Hubble like)

- **Chiral hydrodynamics, refer to**

K. Peach et al, PRC68 (2003), M. Nahrgang et al, PRC84 (2011), C. Herold et al, PRC93 (2016),

Dynamical evolution of sigma's cumulants

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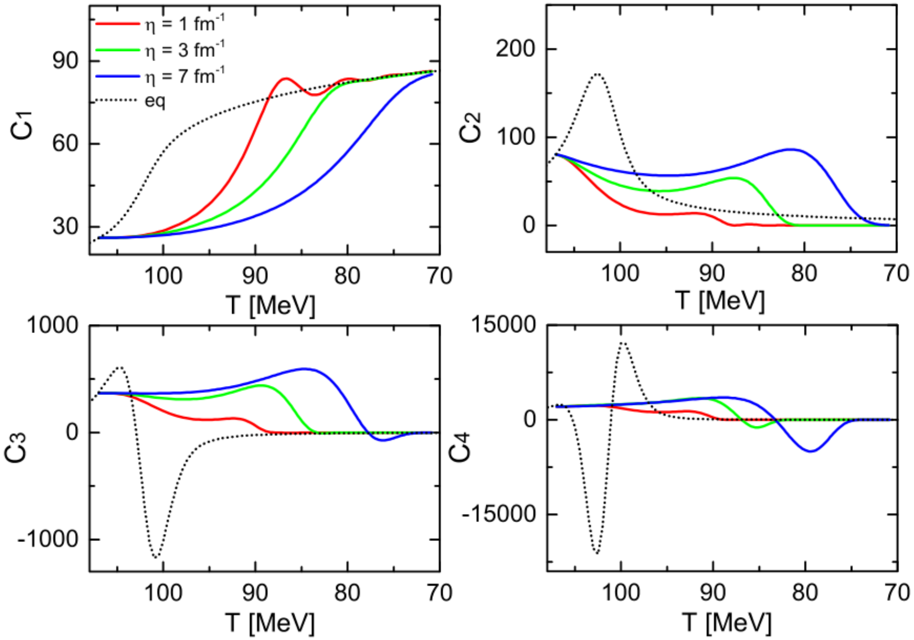

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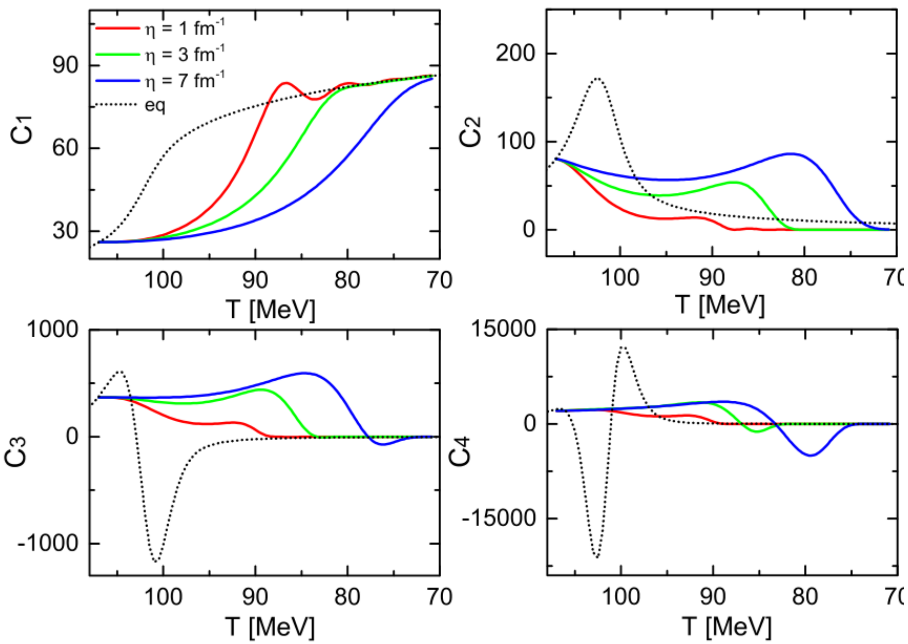
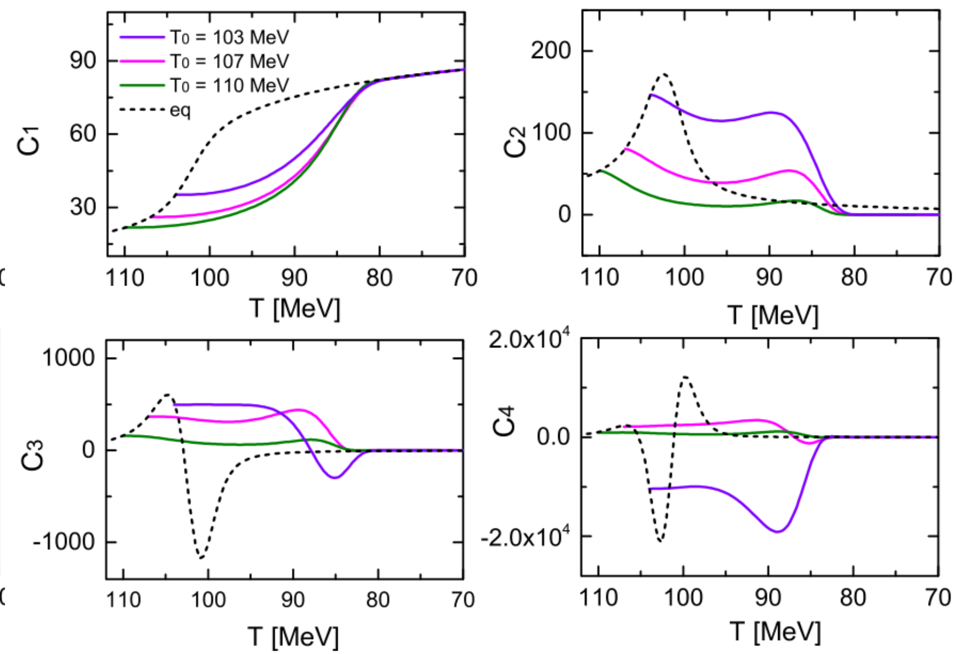


2. $\eta = 3\ fm^{-1}$, different T_0 (ξ_0)



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Super cooling in 1st order phase transition

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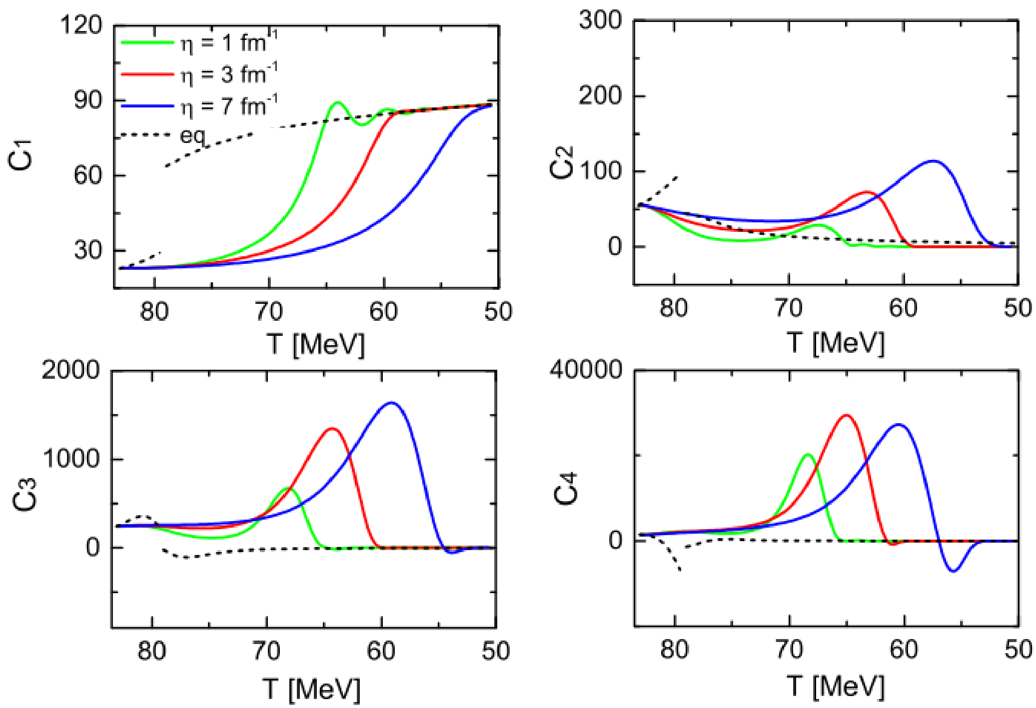
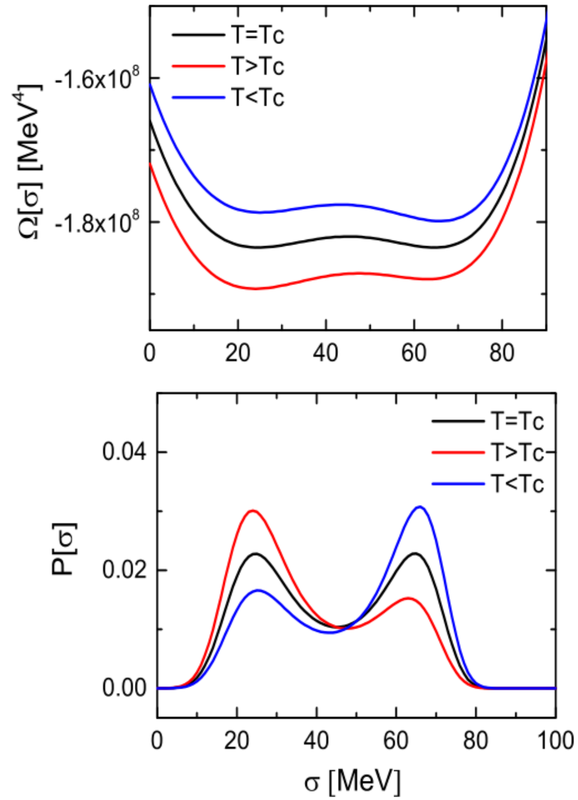
- **On the 1st order side ($\mu = 240\ MeV$)**





Super cooling — Dynamical critical fluctuations much larger than equilibrium fluctuations

Sigma's cumulants at freeze-out

Jiang, Wu, Song, arXiv:1704.04765; in preparation

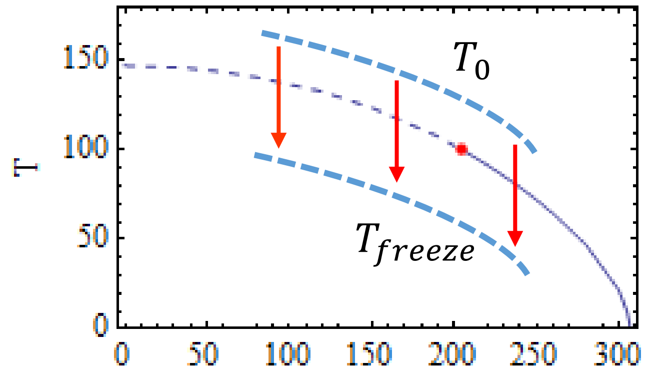
- **Freeze-out**

The starting points:

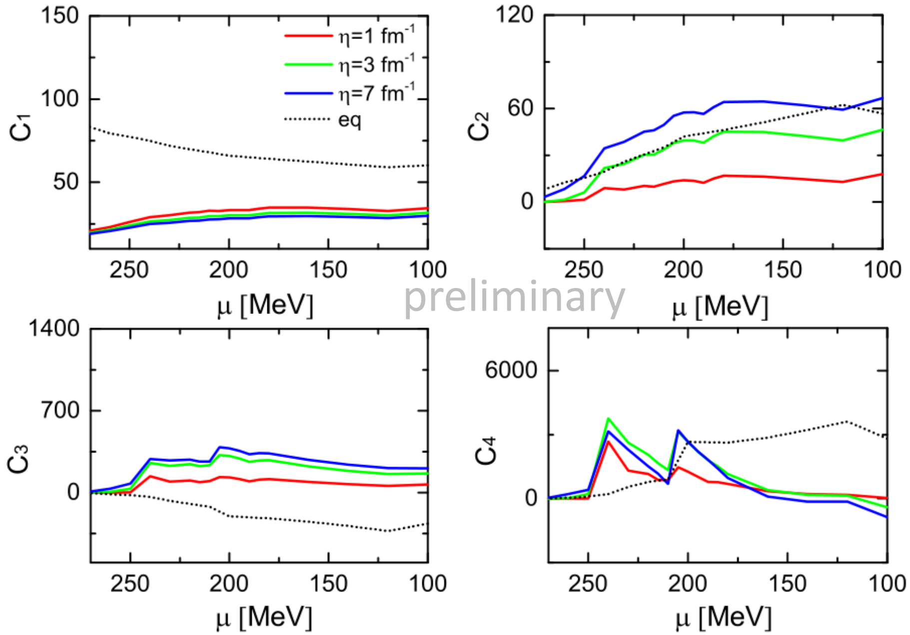
$T_0 = T_c + 4\ MeV$, where $m_\sigma \sim 1\ fm$.

The assumed freeze-out line:

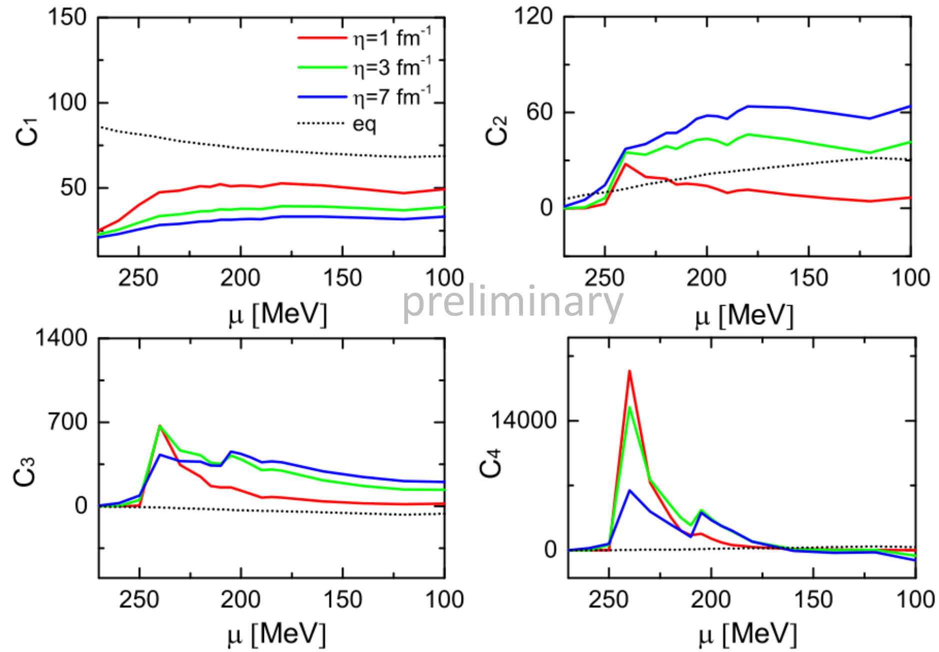
$T_{freeze} < T_c$

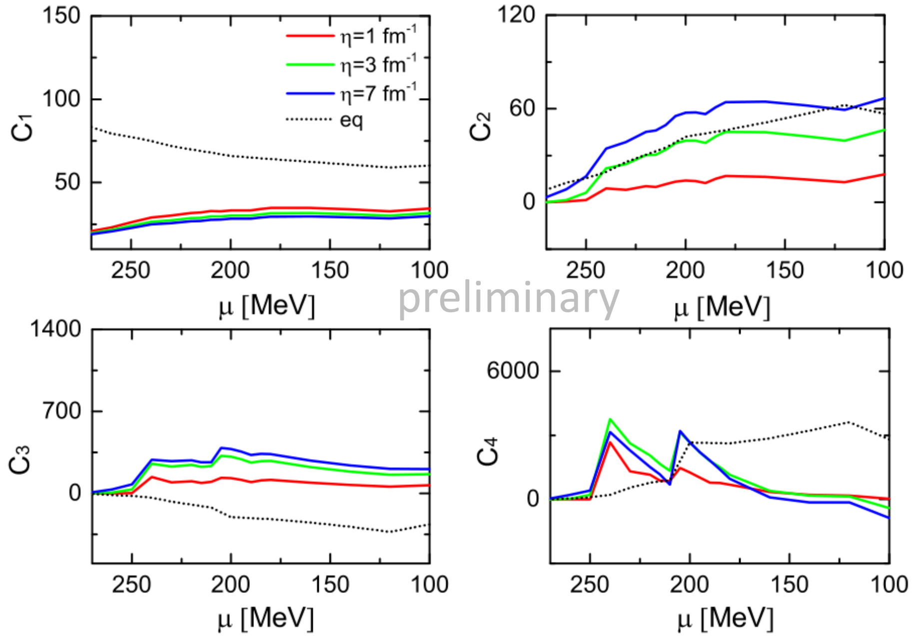


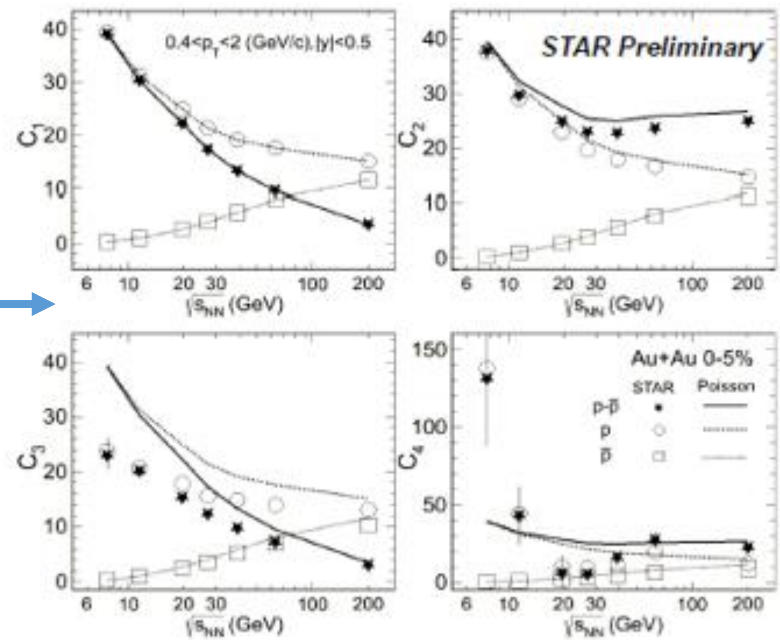
$T_{freeze} = T_0 - 10$ MeV

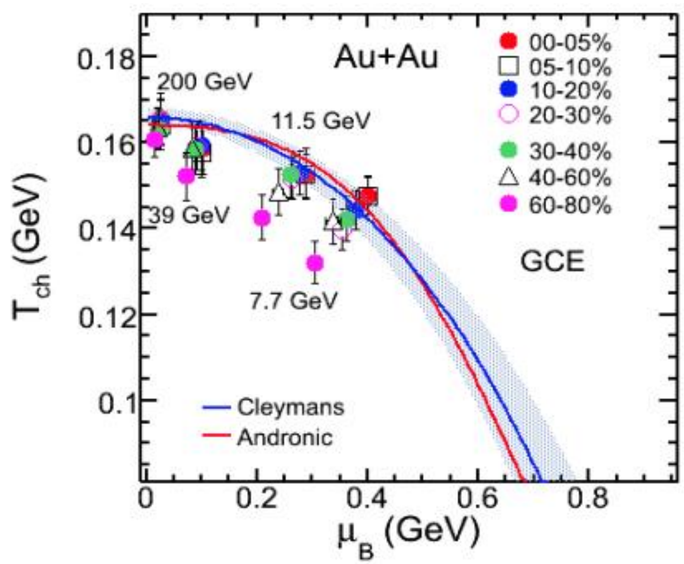


$T_{freeze} = T_0 - 15$ MeV









Towards the comparison with ex-data:

- **Location of the critical point**
  the current model: $(\mu_c, T_c) \sim (205,\ 100.2)$ MeV
  3D Ising mapping
- **critical region: T_0 and T_{freeze}?**
- **Damping coefficient $\eta(T)$**
- **Realistic evolution of the system**

Summary and outlook

- STAR BES provided exciting measurements on cumulants for net protons.

- Equilibrium critical fluctuations on the freeze-out surface,
  - qualitatively describe the acceptance dependence.
  - C_4 and $\kappa\sigma^2$ can be approximately described, over predict C_2 and C_3.

- Dynamical critical fluctuations from Langevin dynamics
  - Memory effects on crossover side and 1st order phase transition side
  - Dynamical critical fluctuations on possible freeze out line present different sign and values from the equilibrium ones.

- Future work
  - a realistic micro/macroscopic evolution in the critical regime.
  - the relations among different source of fluctuations.
  - ...

Thank you!