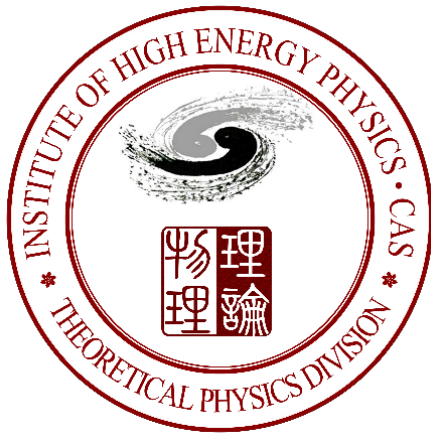


Locating the CEP

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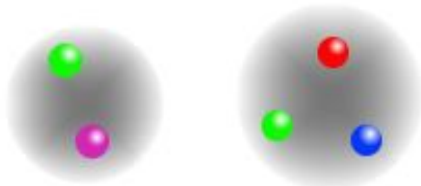
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I. Introduction

QCD

Strong coupling

- Confinement
- Spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking

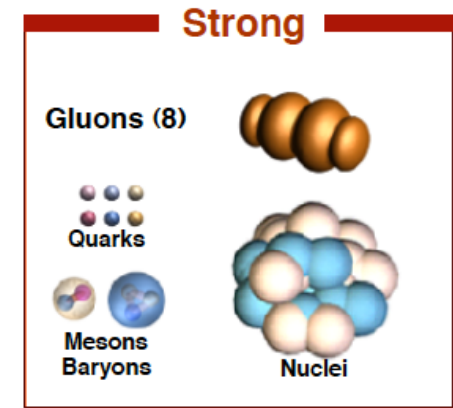
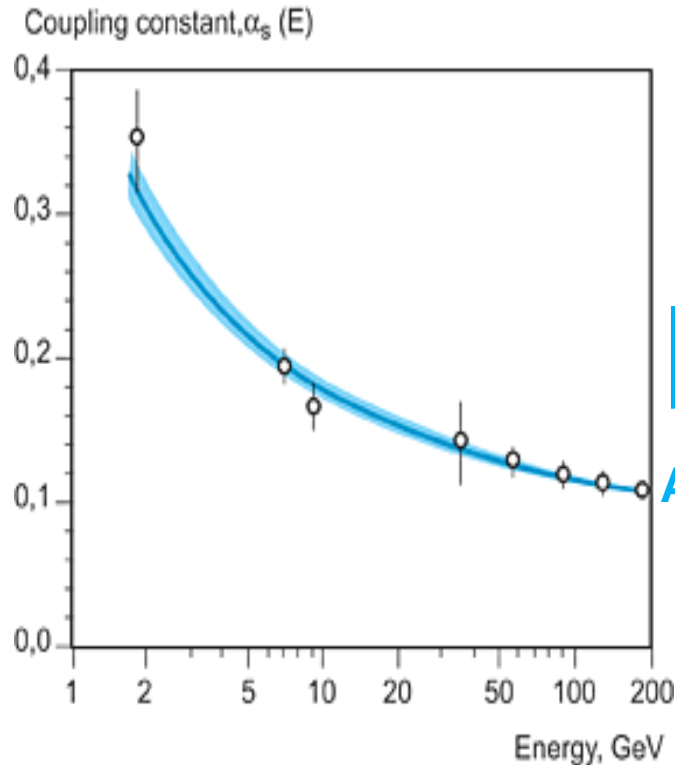
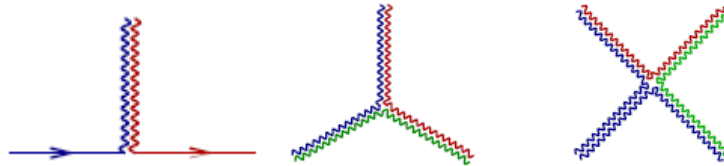


99.9% origin of mass for visible universe



"for the discovery of the mechanism of spontaneous broken symmetry in subatomic physics"

Nobel prize 2008



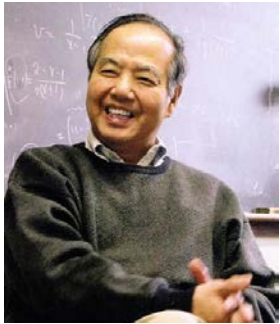
Weak coupling

Asymptotic Freedom

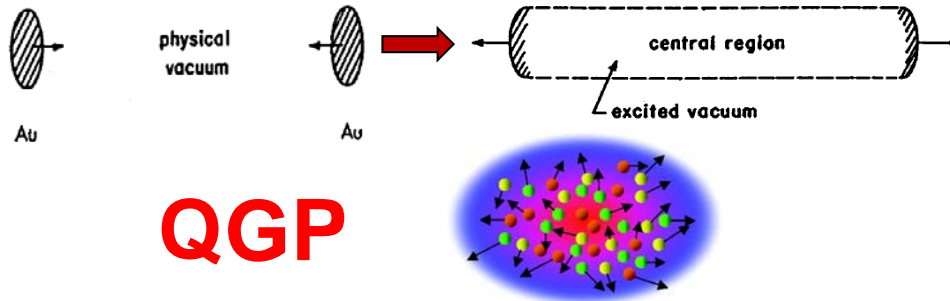


Nobel Prize 2004

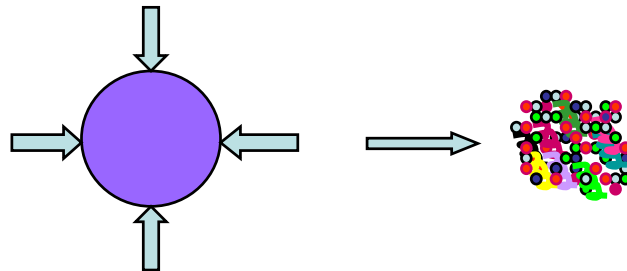
Explore QCD phase structure by HIC



excite QCD vacuum

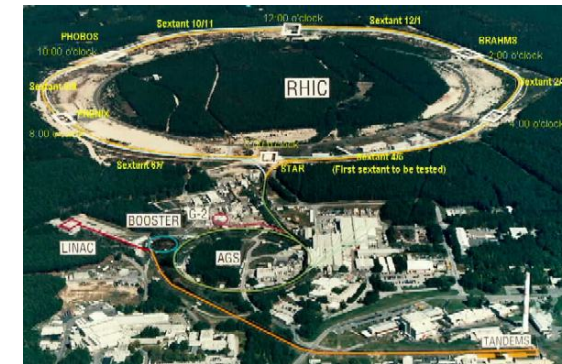


squeeze matter

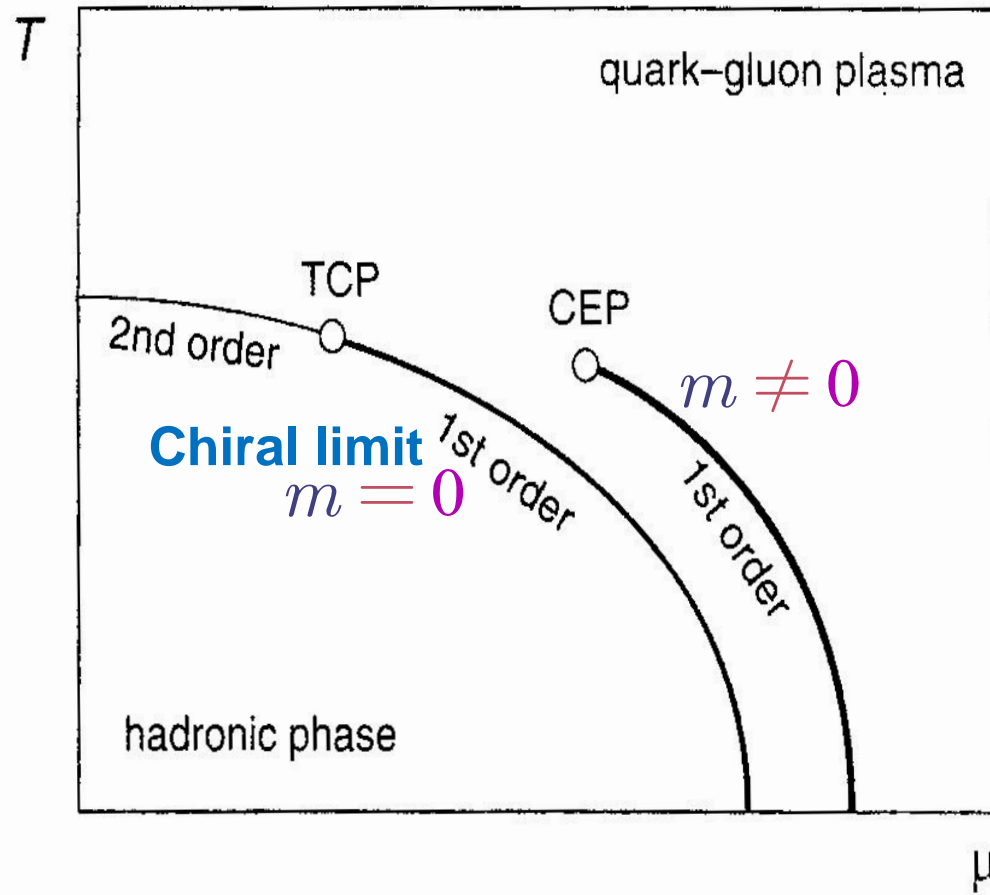


HIC (High T & High mu) :

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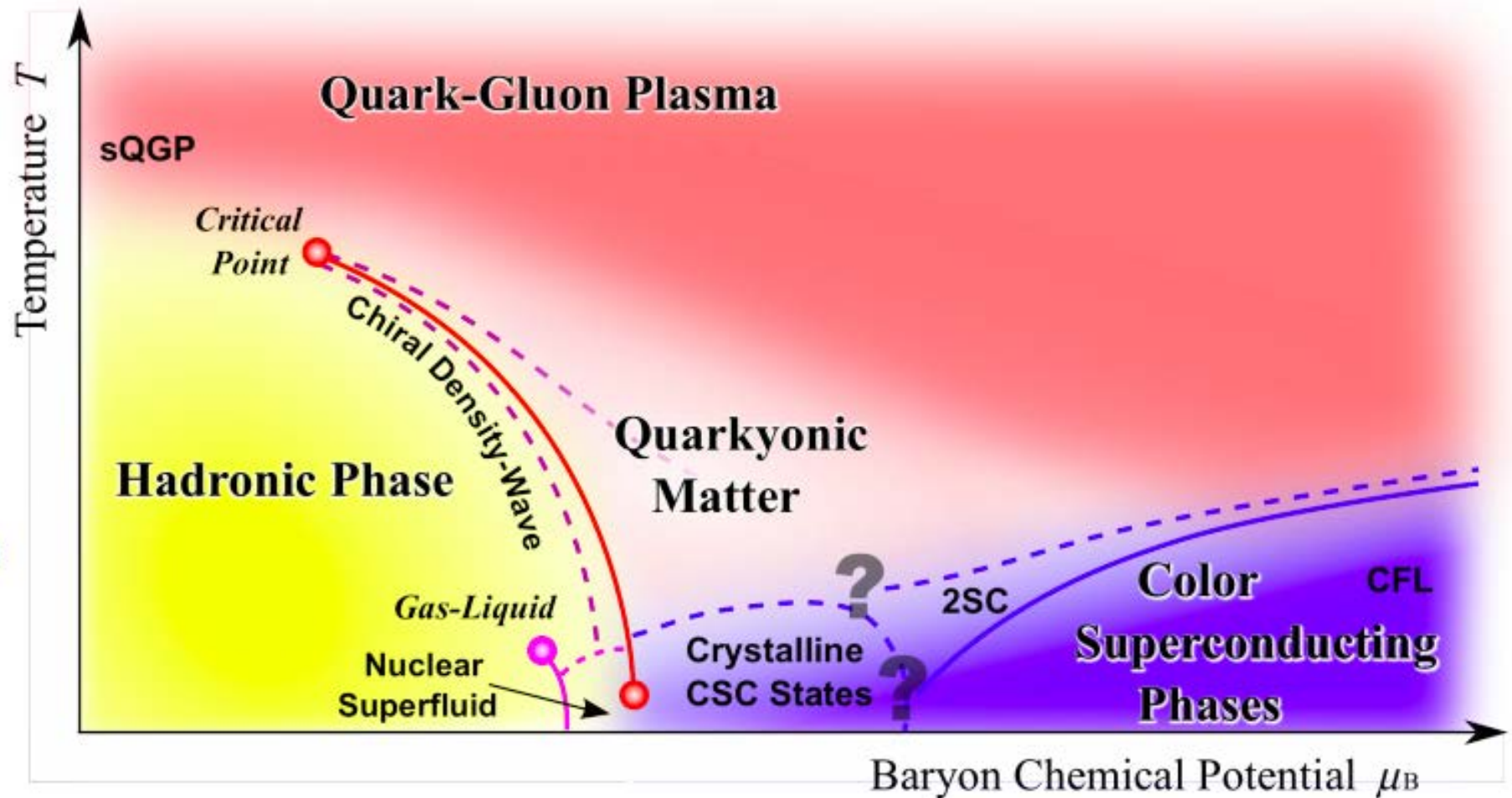


Explored QCD phase diagram 20 years ago *by theorists*



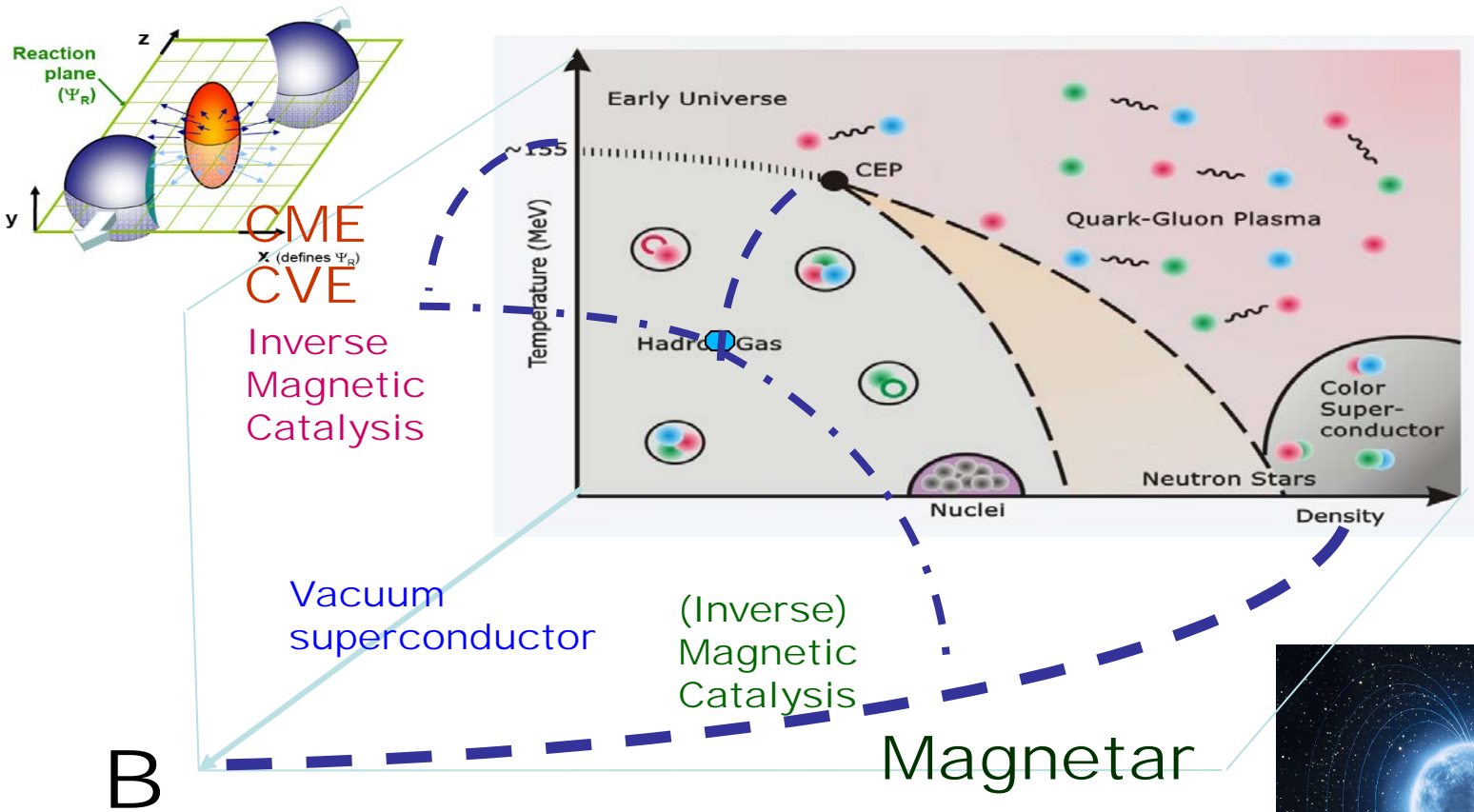
Mainly based on chiral phase transition

Explored QCD phase diagram 10 years ago *by theorists*



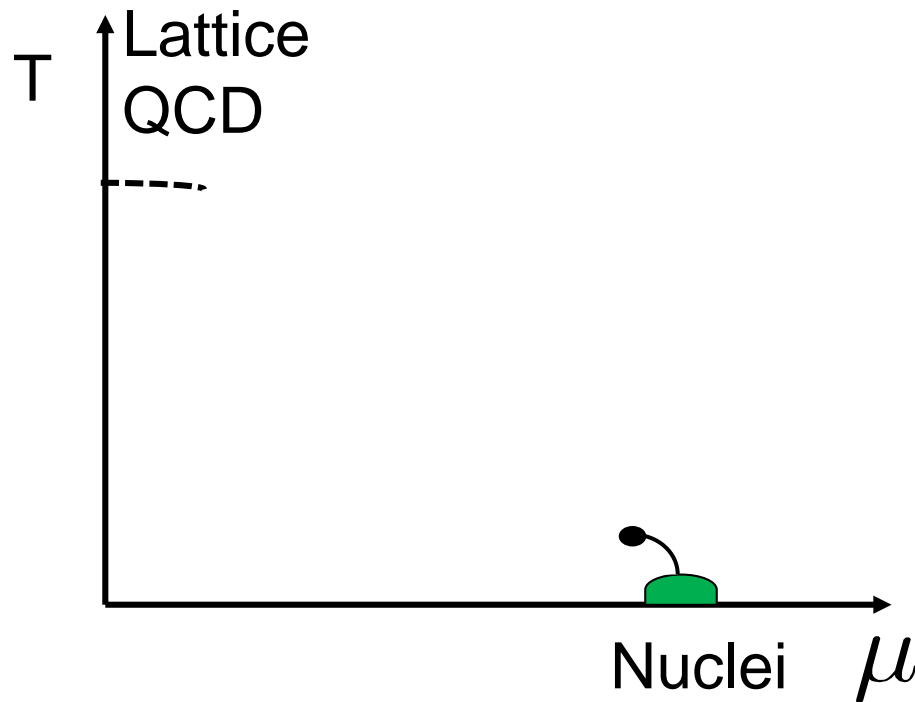
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Explored QCD phase diagram now *by theorists*



Confirmed QCD phase diagram

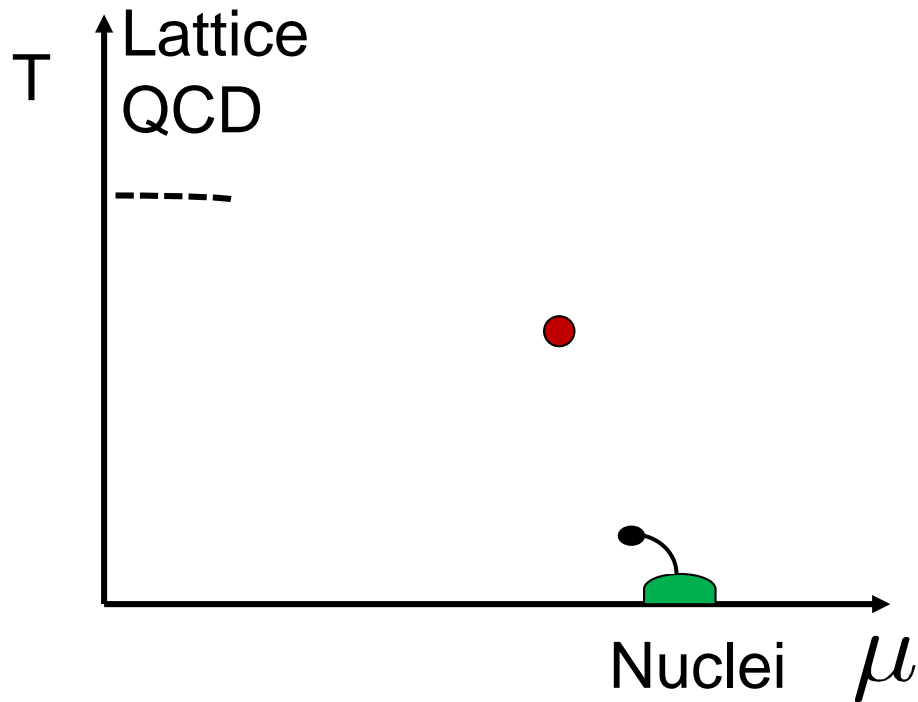
PQCD: QGP @ High T



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Searching for the QCD CEP

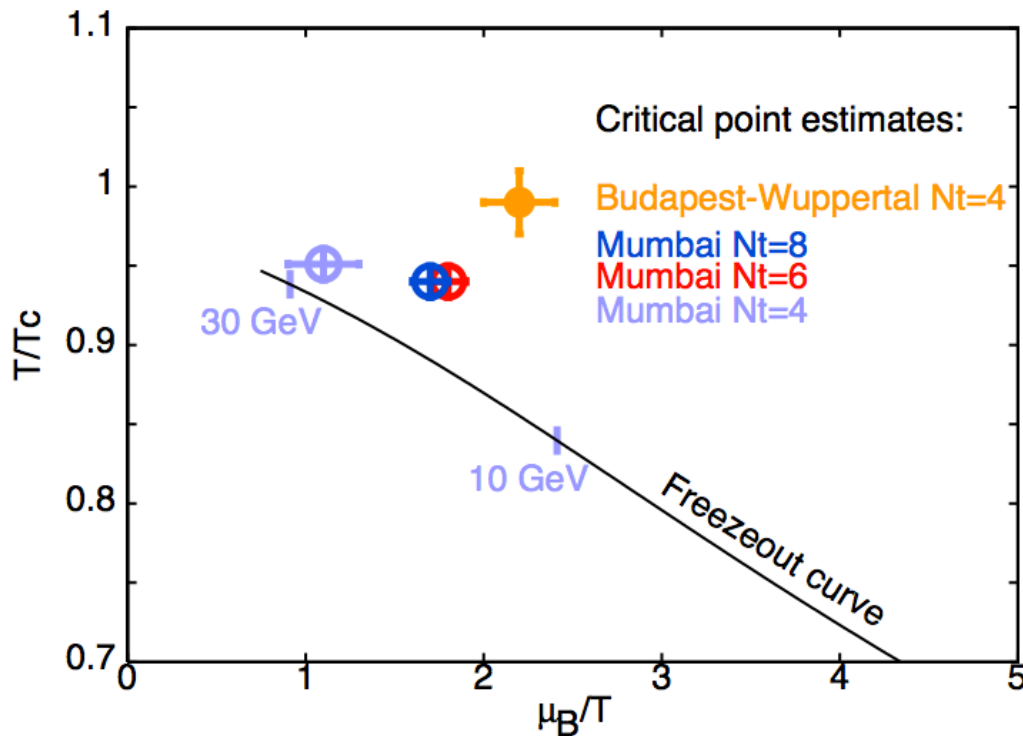
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II. The QCD CEP

Location of CEP: Lattice QCD



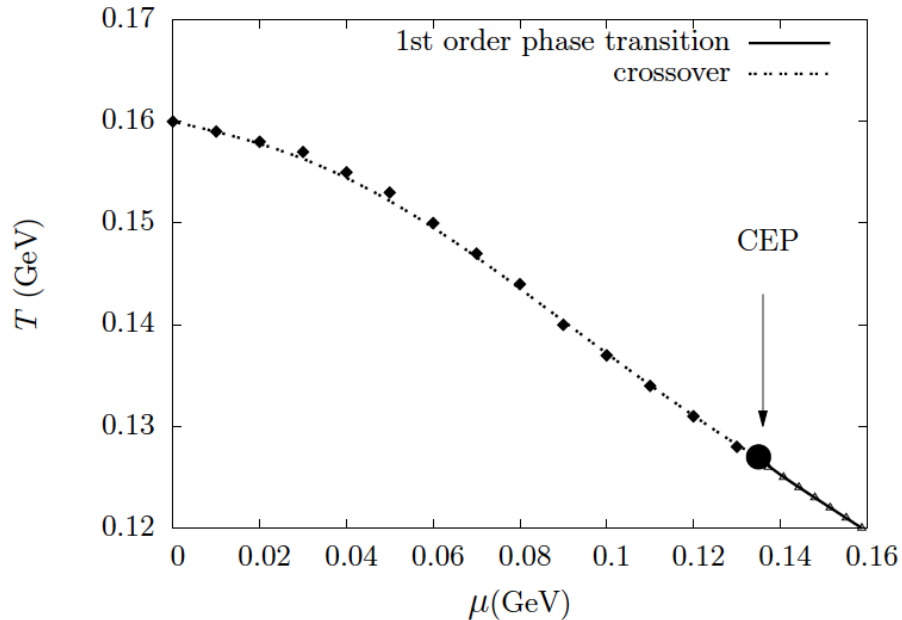
1): Fodor&Katz, JHEP 0404,050 (2004).
 $(\mu_B^E, T_E) = (360, 162)$ MeV

2): Gavai&Gupta, NPA 904, 883c (2013)
 $(\mu_B^E, T_E) = (279, 155)$ MeV

3): F. Karsch ($\mu_B^E / T_E > 2$, CPOD2016)

Small baryon number density region

Location of CEP: DSE



1): Y. X. Liu, et al., PRD90, 076006 (2014).
 $(\mu_B^E, T^E) = (372, 129) \text{ MeV}$

2): Hong-shi Zong et al., JHEP 07, 014 (2014).
 $(\mu_B^E, T^E) = (405, 127) \text{ MeV}$

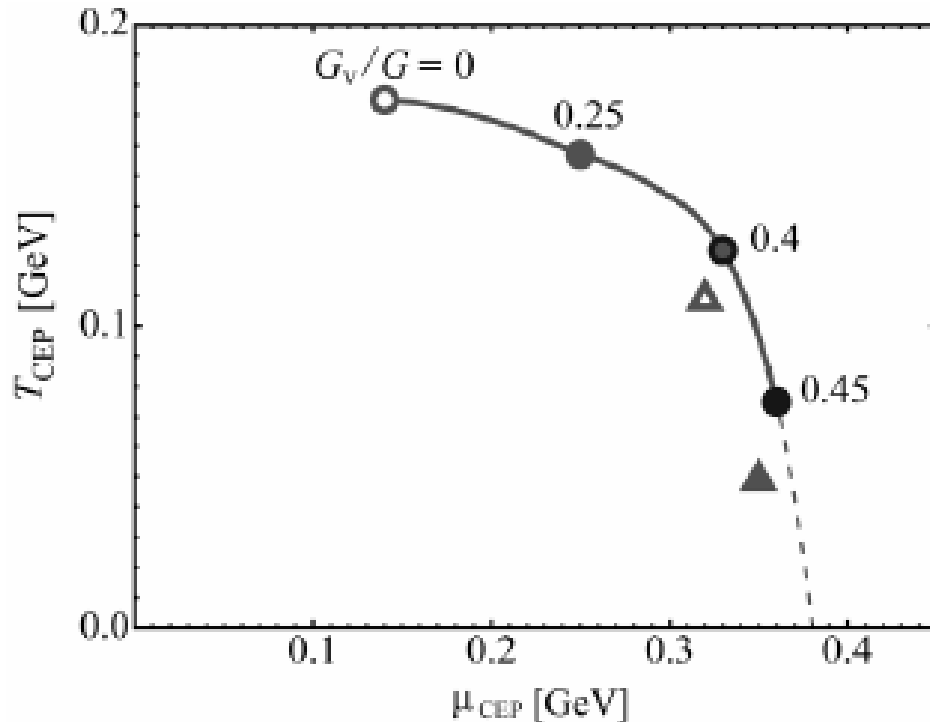
3): C. S. Fischer et al., PRD90, 034022 (2014).
 $(\mu_B^E, T^E) = (504, 115) \text{ MeV}$

$$\mu_B = 3 \mu_q$$

Rather small baryon number density region

Location of CEP: NJL

NJL, PNJL, Nonlocal NJL,



P.F Zhuang, M.Huang,
Y.X.Liu, W.J.Fu, Z.Zhang
H.S.Zong, X.Luo, G.Y.Shao.....
J.Deng, J.W.Chen,

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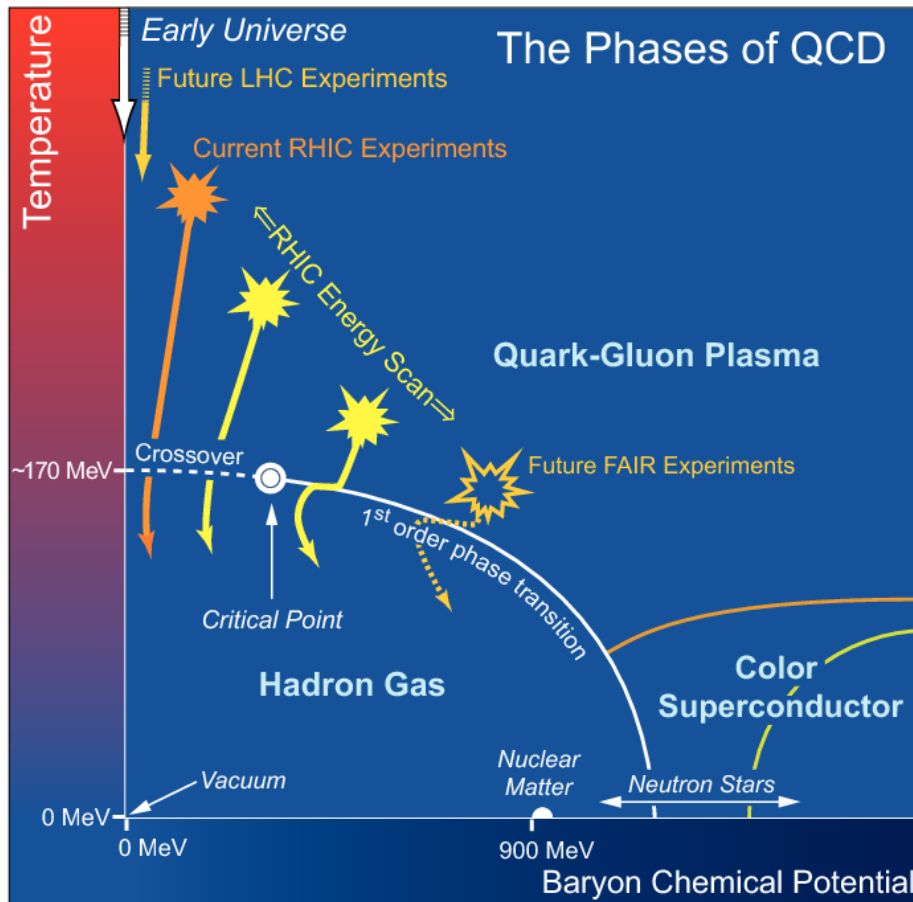
$$\mu_B = 3 \mu_q$$

Hell, Kashiwa, Weise

Journal of Modern Physics, 2013, 4, 644-650

from small to high baryon number density region

Searching for the QCD CEP



BES Phase-I

$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)	Events (10^6)	Year	* μ_B (MeV)	* T_{CH} (MeV)
200	350	2010	25	166
62.4	67	2010	73	165
39	39	2010	112	164
27	70	2011	156	162
19.6	36	2011	206	160
14.5	20	2014	264	156
11.5	12	2010	316	152
7.7	4	2010	422	140

Higher Order Fluctuations of Conserved Quantities

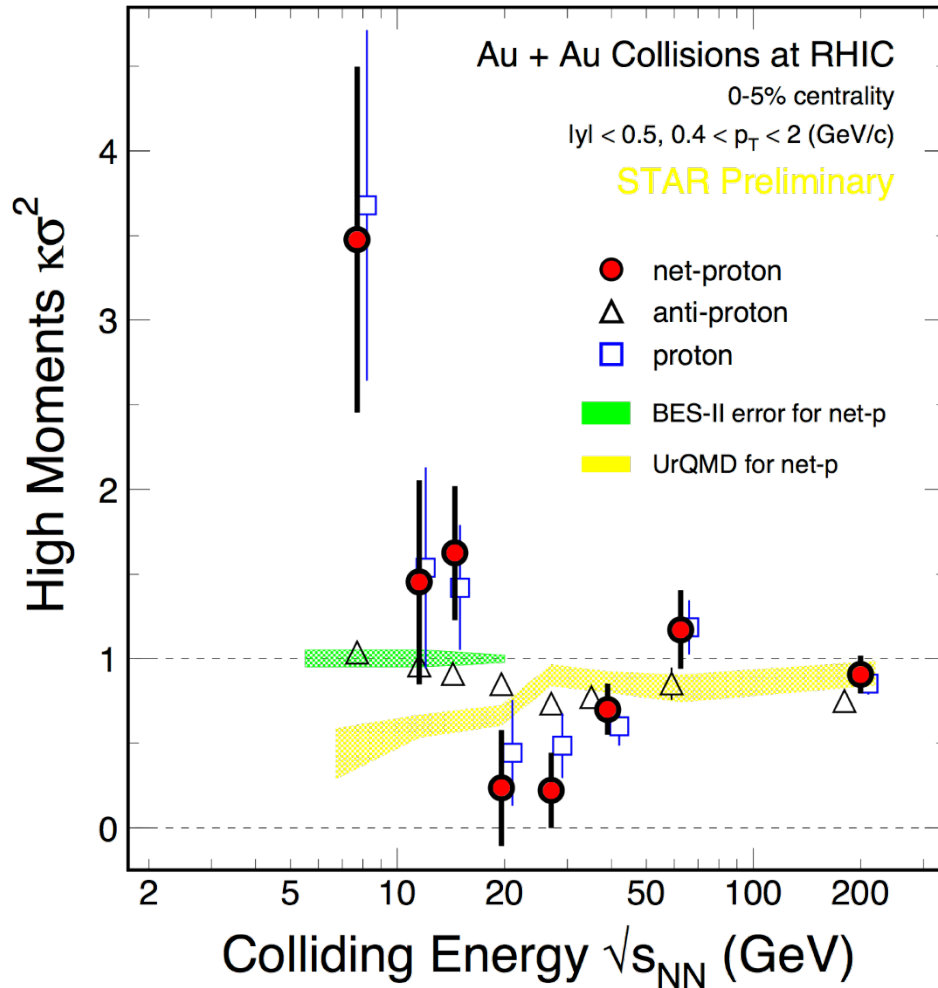
$$\chi_n^B = \frac{\partial^n [P/T^4]}{\partial [\mu_B/T]^n} \quad B \rightarrow Q, s$$

$$C_n^B = VT^3 \chi_n^B$$

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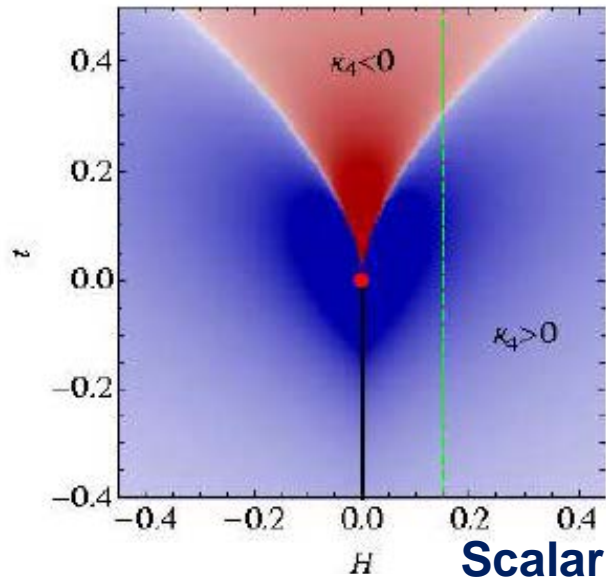
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Measurement of Higher Order Fluctuations of Conserved Quantities

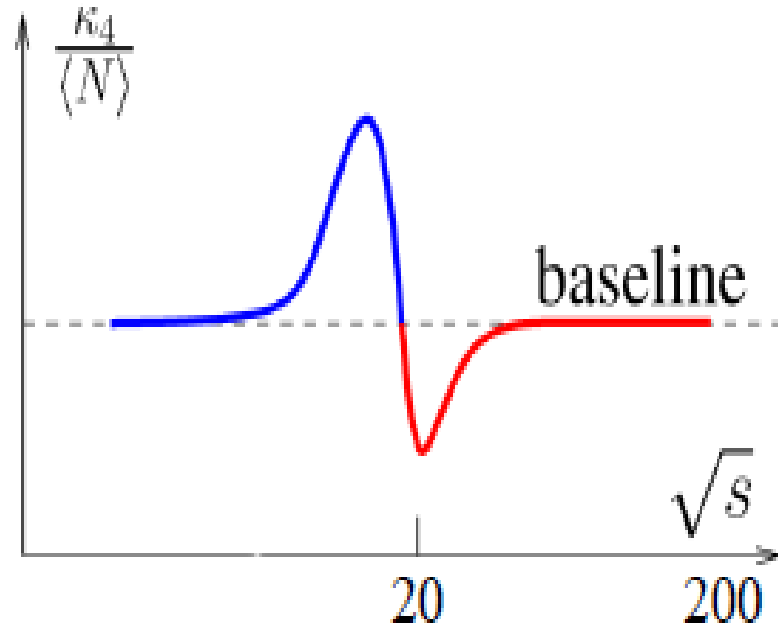
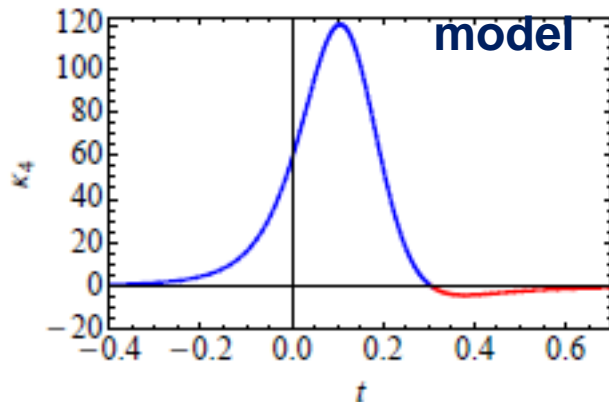


Non-monotonic trend is observed for the 0-5% most central Au+Au collisions. Dip structure is observed around 19.6 GeV.

How to determine the location of CEP?



Scalar model



- Characteristic "Oscillating pattern" is expected for the QCD critical point but *the exact shape depends on the location of freeze-out with respect to the location of CP*
- Critical Region (CR)

What we are not going to answer:

Predict the location of CEP from theory

Different models give different locations of CEP, even the same model with different parameters give different locations of CEP.

What we are willing to answer:

- 1. What's the universal feature of CEP?**
- 2. What information of the CEP can be read from experimental measurement?**

III. Locating the CEP

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Strong QCD

Lagrangian of Quarks
& Gluons at UV

Lattice QCD

Effective field
theories and
models

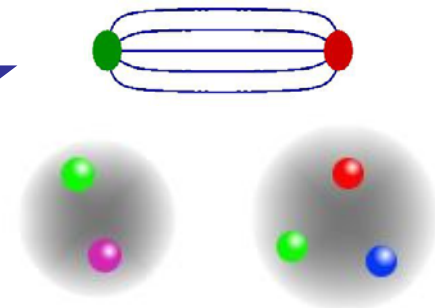
DSE

FRG

QM, NJL, SM, HLS,
CHPT, NRQCD.....
color flux tube
Dual superconductivity

Holographic
QCD (hQCD)

Vacuum (IR)



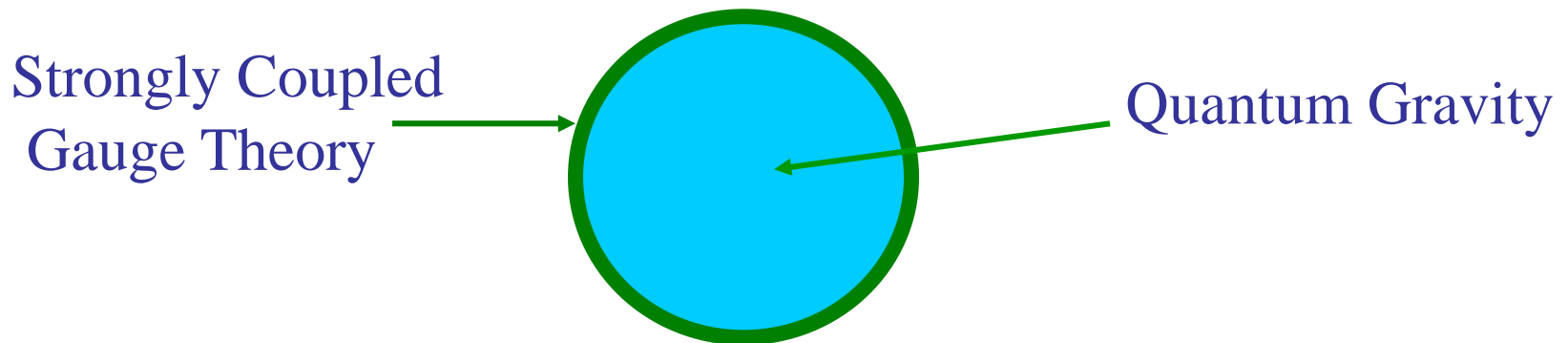
Holographic Duality: Gravity/QFT

AdS/CFT : Original discovery of duality

J. M. Maldacena, Adv. Theor. Math. Phys. **2**, 231 (1998)

Supersymmetry and conformality are required for AdS/CFT.

Holographic Duality: $(d+1)$ -Gravity/ (d) -QFT

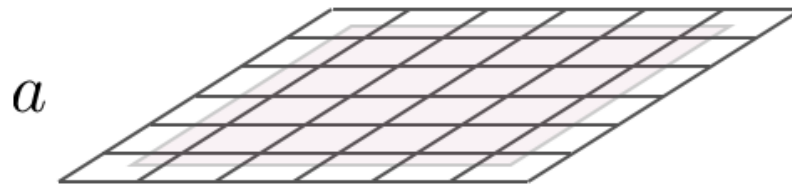


Holographic Duality & RG flow

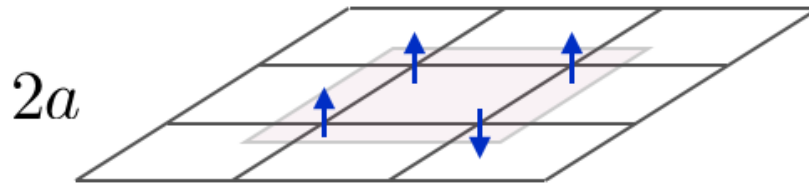
Coarse graining spins on a lattice: Kadanoff and Wilson

$$H = \sum_{x,i} J_i(x) \mathcal{O}^i(x)$$

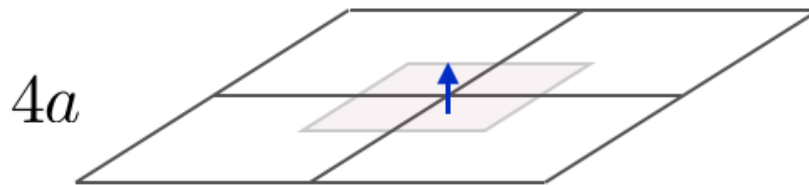
$J(x)$: coupling constant or source for the operator



$$H = \sum_i J_i(x, a) \mathcal{O}^i(x)$$



$$H = \sum_i J_i(x, 2a) \mathcal{O}^i(x)$$



$$H = \sum_i J_i(x, 4a) \mathcal{O}^i(x)$$

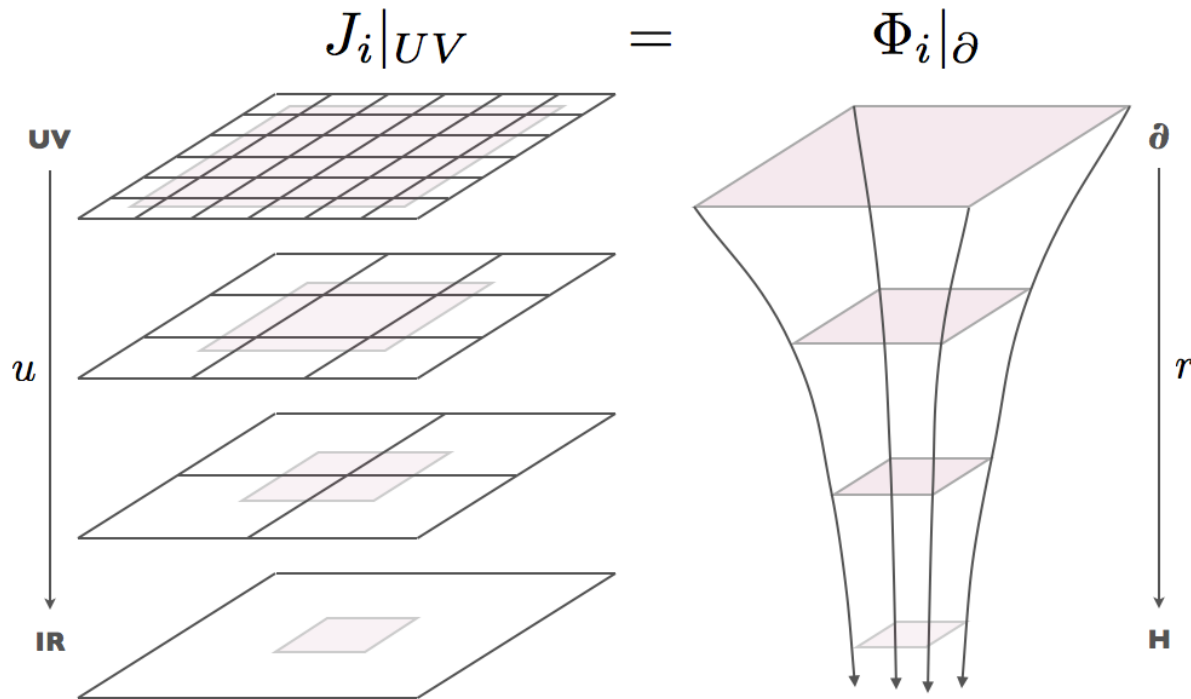
$$u \frac{\partial}{\partial u} J_i(x, u) = \beta_i(J_j(x, u), u)$$

[arXiv:1205.5180](https://arxiv.org/abs/1205.5180)

Holographic Duality & RG flow

QFT on lattice equivalent to GR problem from Gravity
RG scale \rightarrow an extra spatial dimension
Coupling constant \rightarrow dynamical field

arXiv:1205.5180



The extra dimension plays the role of energy scale in QFT, with motion along the extra dimension representing a change of scale, or renormalization group (RG) flow.

A systematic framework: Graviton-dilaton system

$$S_G = \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \int d^5x \sqrt{g_s} e^{-2\Phi} (R_s + 4\partial_M \Phi \partial^M \Phi - V_G^s(\Phi))$$

N=4 Super YM
conformal

AdS₅

$$ds^2 = \frac{L^2}{z^2} (dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + dz^2)$$

$$V_E(\phi) = -\frac{12}{L^2}$$

QCD

nonconformal

deformed AdS₅

$$ds^2 = \frac{h(z)L^2}{z^2} (dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + dz^2)$$

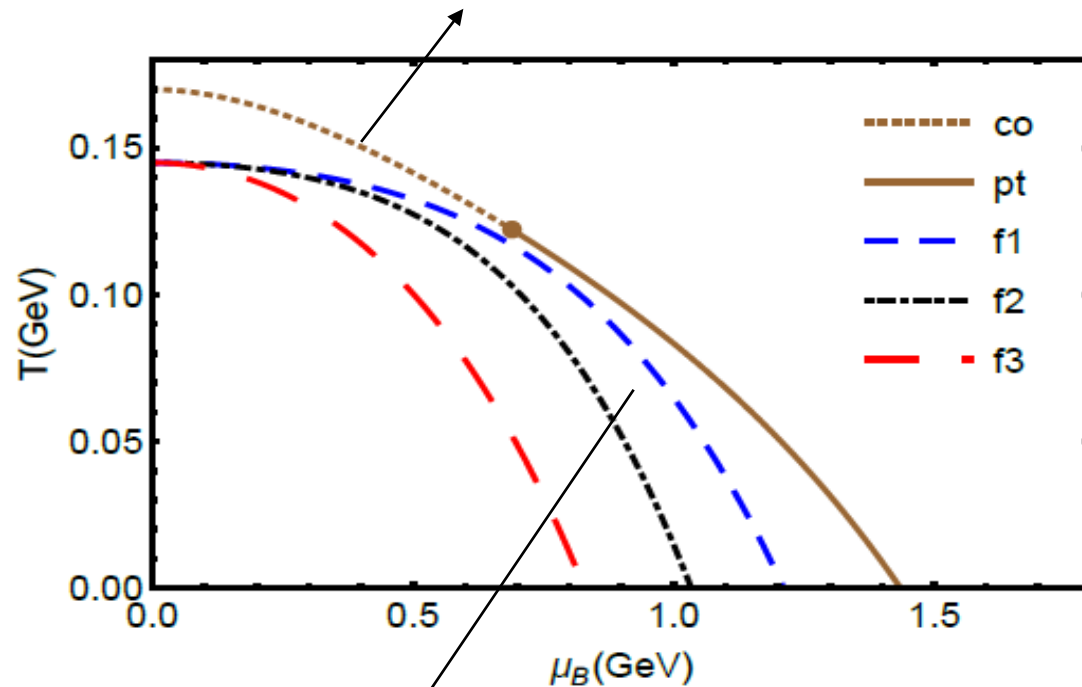
Dilaton field breaks conformal symmetry

Input: QCD dynamics (gluon condensate & chiral condensate) at IR

Solve: Metric structure, dilaton potential

CEP: $(T^c, \mu_B^c) = (0.121\text{GeV}, 0.693\text{GeV})$

Phase transition line



Three chemical freezeout lines

Higher Order Fluctuations of baryon number

$$\chi_n^B = \frac{\partial^n [P/T^4]}{\partial [\mu_B/T]^n}$$

$$C_n^B = VT^3 \chi_n^B$$

Experiment measurement
of baryon number fluctuations
is along freeze-out line

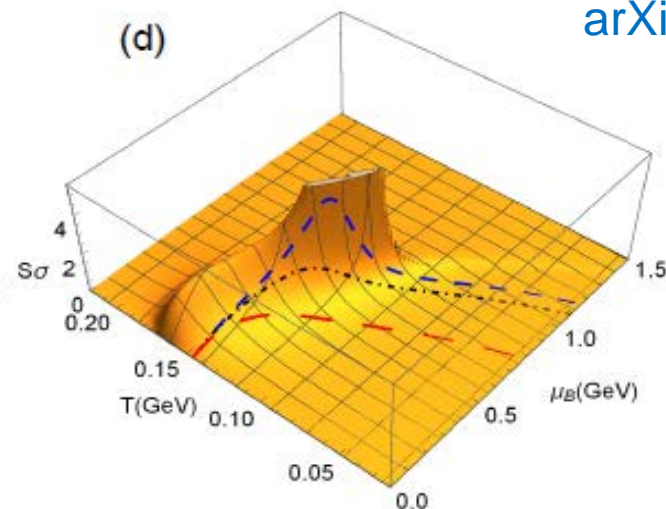
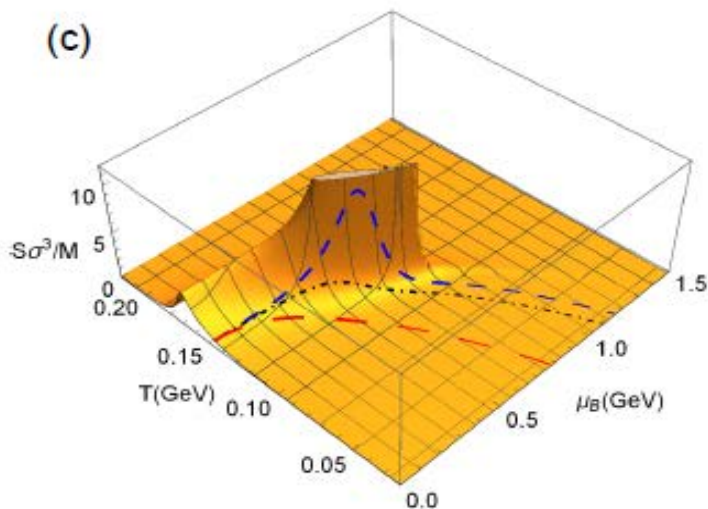
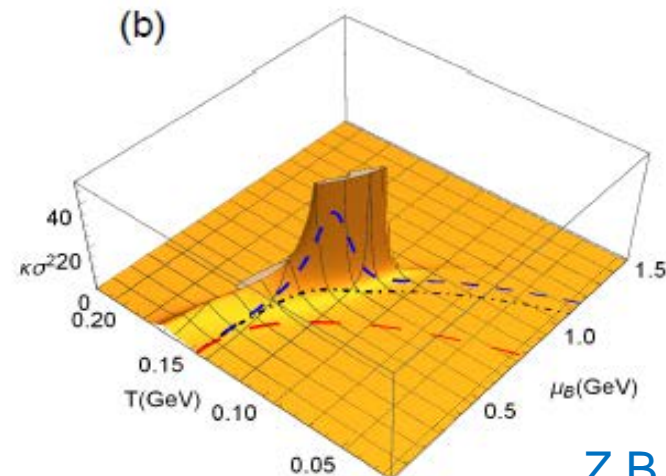
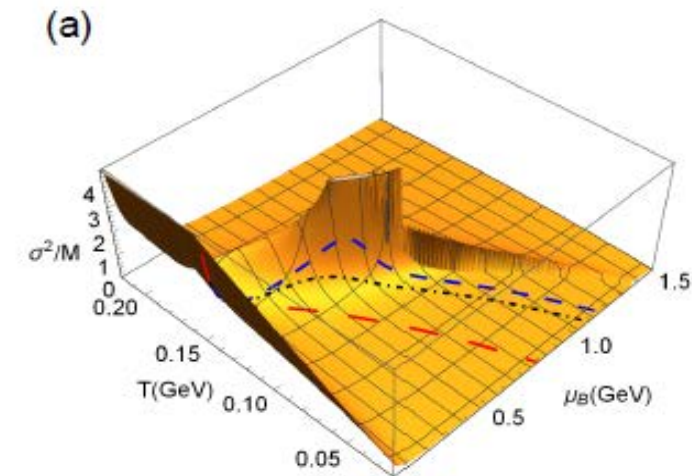
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Universal feature:

Phase transition: Ridge + hallow sword shape mountain at CEP

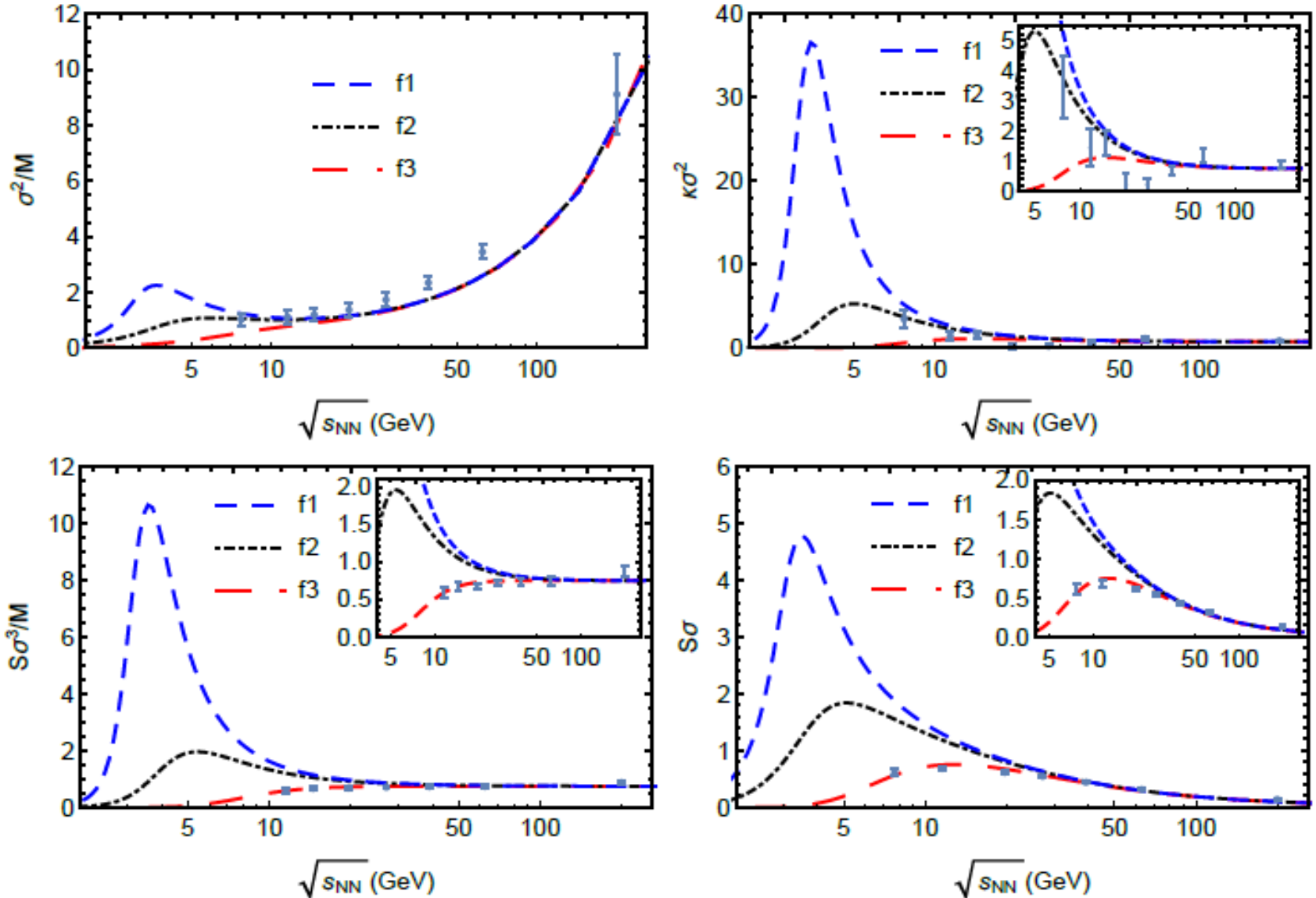
Freezeout: foot of the mountain



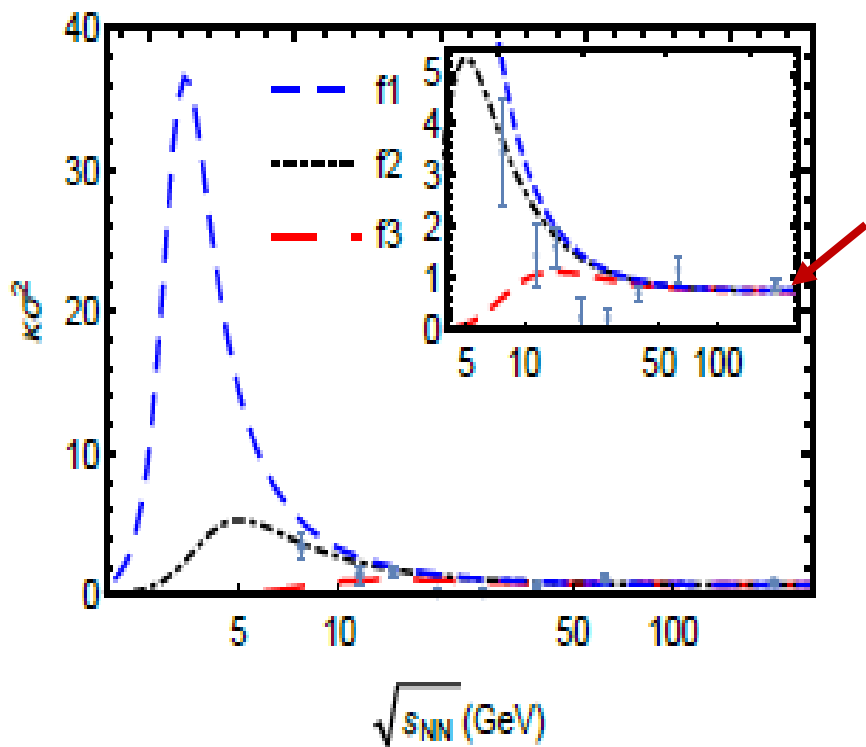
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BES Phase-I measurement indicates a peak may show up around 5 GeV, CEP is located around 3 GeV

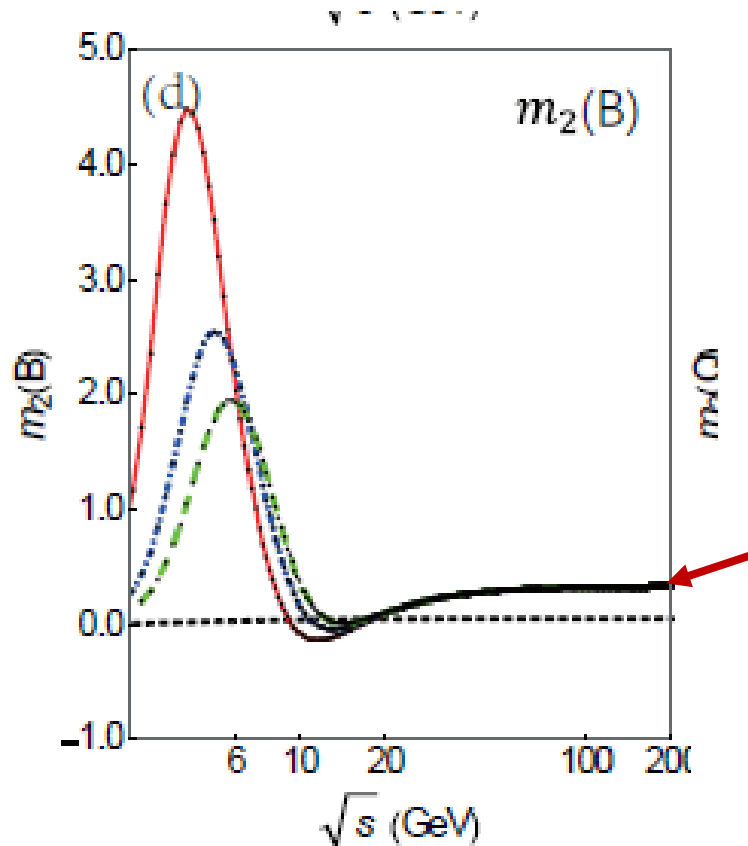
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Comparing with NJL model



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Dominant contribution from gluon-dynamics at low baryon density?

V. Conclusion and Outlook

Which results are model dependent?

- The location of the CEP

Which results are model independent?

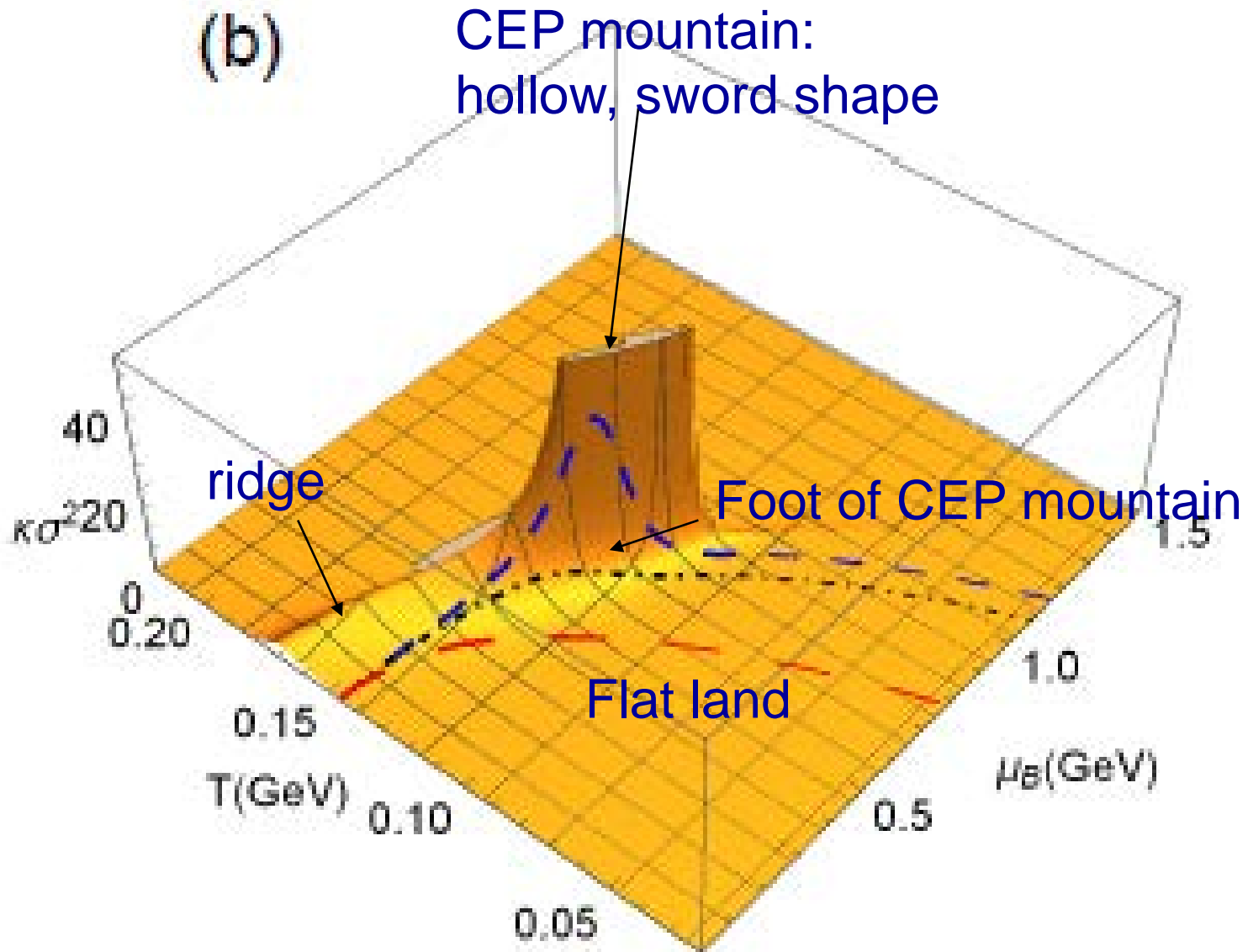
- Universal feature along phase transition with CEP

Phase transition:

- Ridge
- Sword shape mountain at CEP
- Hollow inside the CEP mountain

Freezeout:

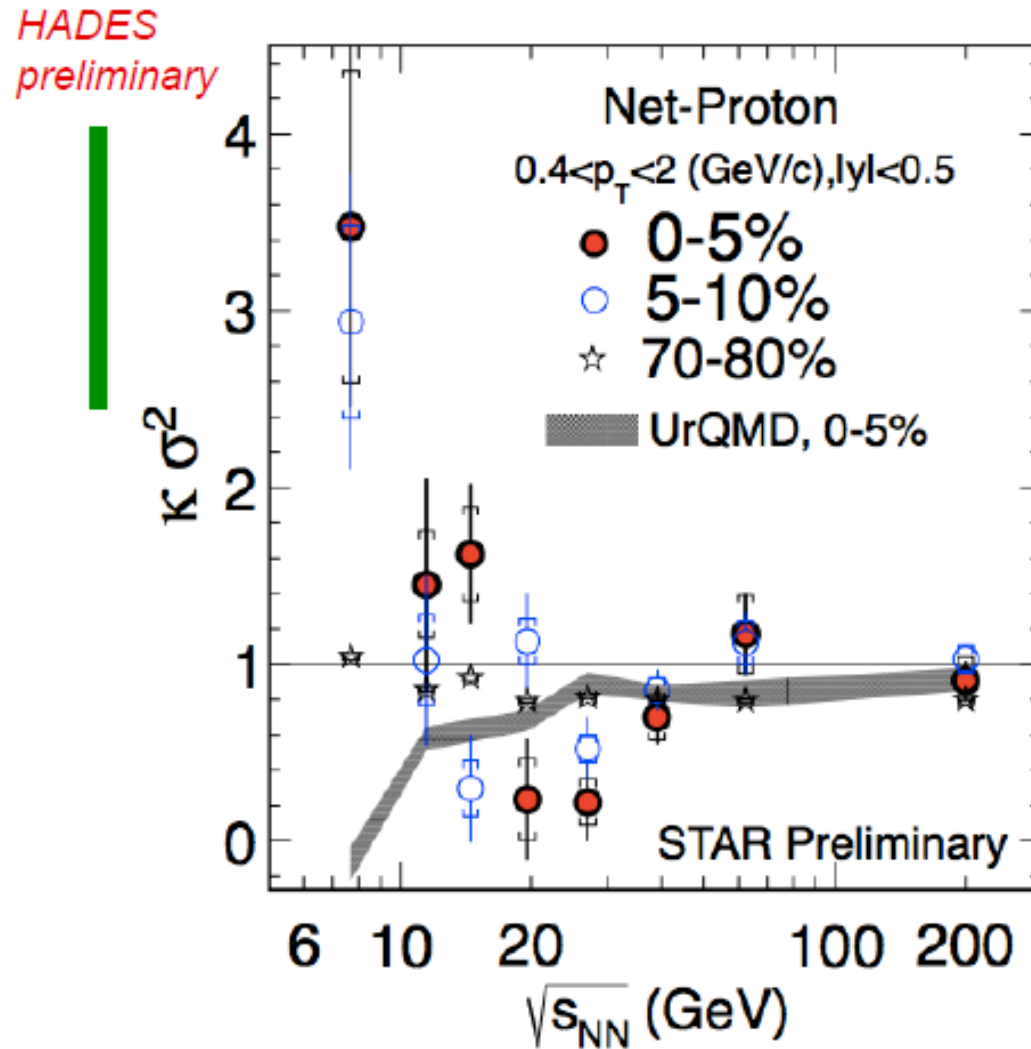
- crosses the foot of the mountain or the flat land



Which results can we conclude from Exp.?

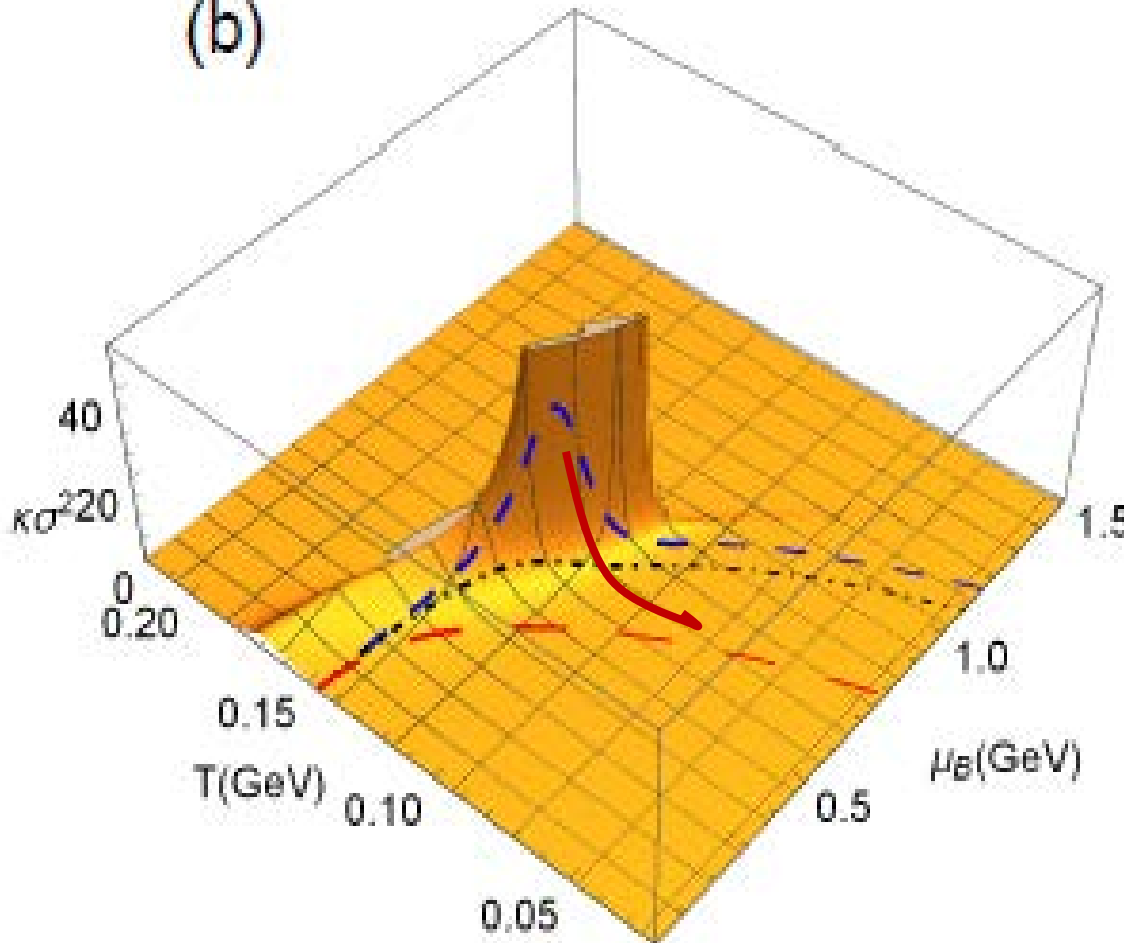
- Measurement of higher order baryon number fluctuations is along the freezeout line, which is below the phase transition line;
- The measurement of higher order baryon number fluctuations can tell us how far the freezeout line is away from the phase transition line;
- The measurement tells us that CEP is not located at small baryon number density region;
- The show-up of a peak of higher order baryon number fluctuations along freezeout line is due to the existence of the CEP mountain nearby **(Lucky!!!)**.

BES Phase-I measurement indicates a peak may show up around 5 GeV, then CEP is located around



How does the system evolve from phase transition line to the freeze-out line ?

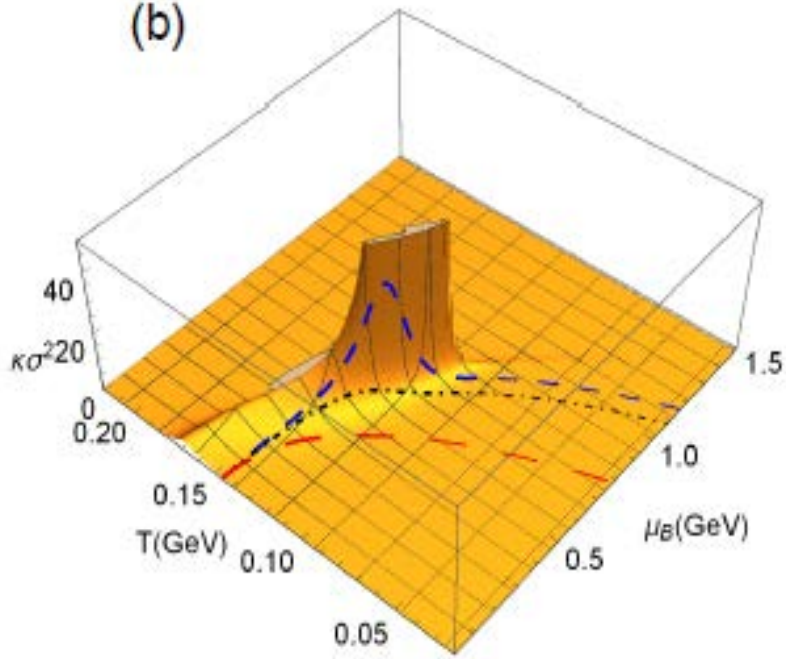
(b)



I. Along the surface of the mountain, which is determined by stability condition

-> No sign change

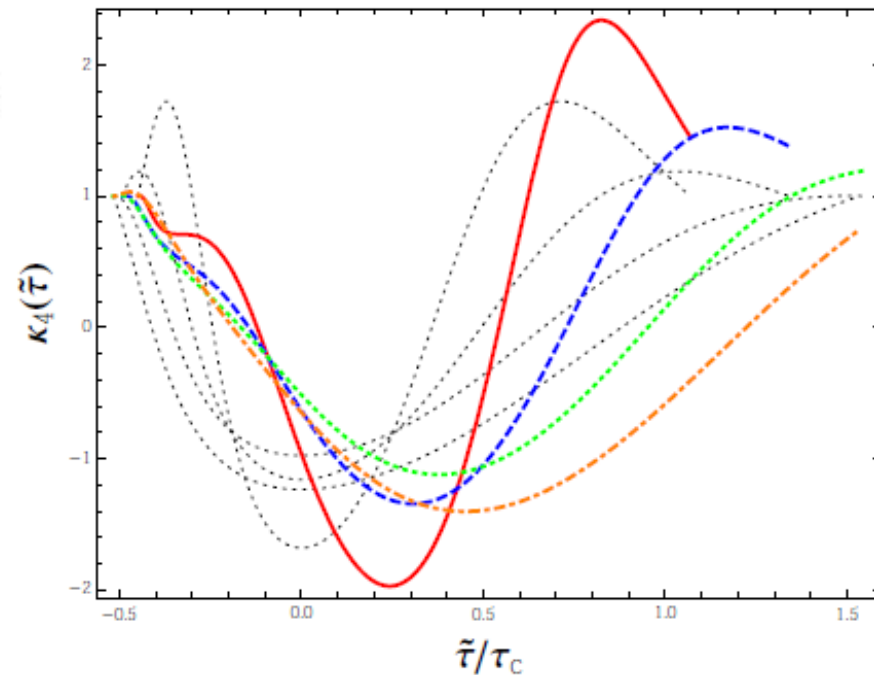
(b)



II. Out-of equilibrium,
without the constraint of
stability condition

-> Sign change ?

The sign and magnitude
at freeze-out
is most important!



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Phys.Rev.Lett. 117 (2016) no.22, 222301

Warning: The CEP measured might not be the same as real QCD predicted

Finite size effect, freeze out, these effects may shift the location of CEP, but the CEP mountain might be broadened (more chances for Exp.)

Thanks for your attention!