

# Freeze-out temperature from net-Kaon fluctuations at RHIC

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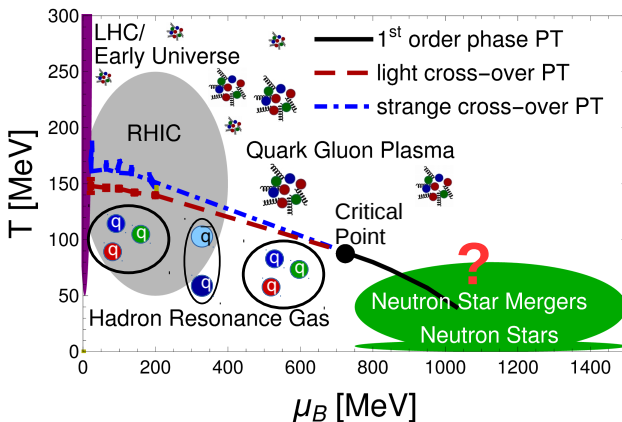


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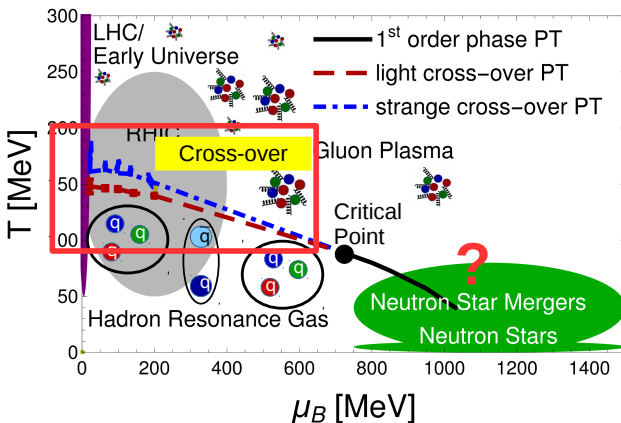
# Current Cartoon of the QCD Phase Diagram



## References

**Light transition** Phys.Lett. B738 (2014) 305-310; **Strange Transition** Bellwied, JNH, Parotto, Vazquez, Ratti, Stafford, arXiv:1805.00088 ; **Neutron Star (mergers)** V. Dexheimer arXiv:1708.08342; **Holography** Critelli, JNH, Israel Portillo Tues. 19:00 et al, Phys.Rev. D96 (2017) no.9, 096026

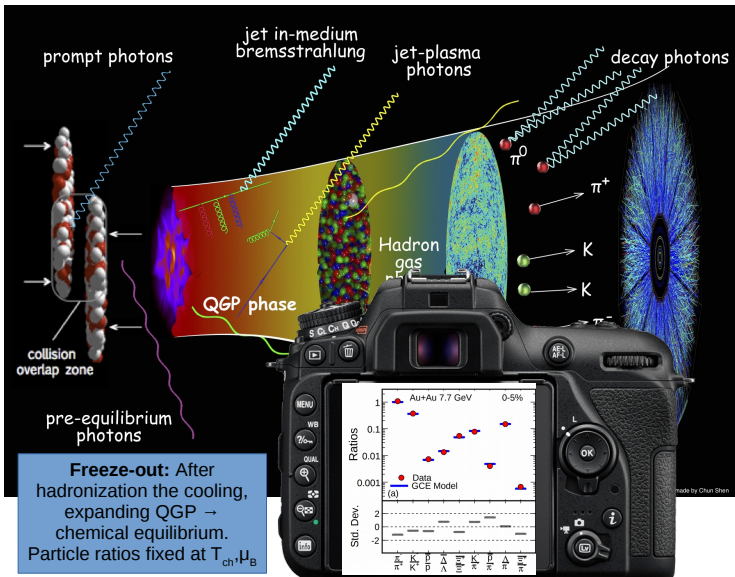
# Understanding the cross-over phase transition



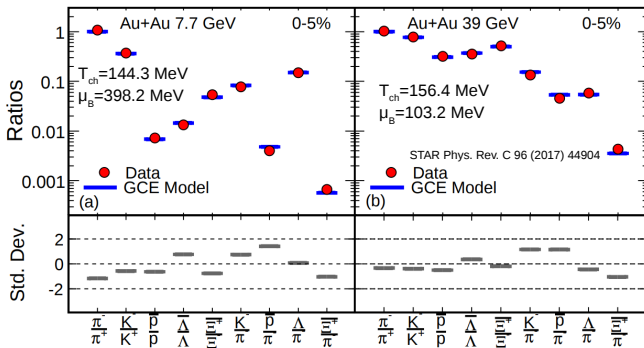
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# Freeze-out: finding the cross-over temperature

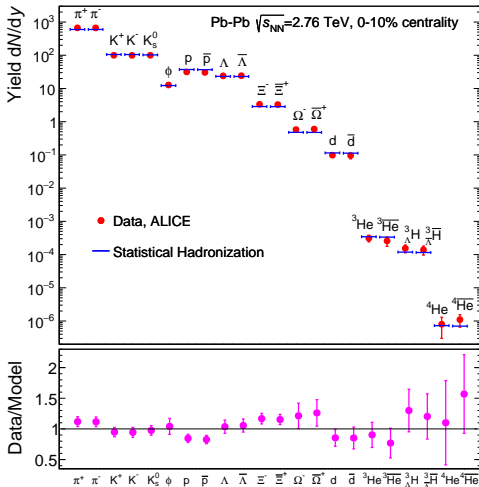


# Thermal fits: position on the phase diagram



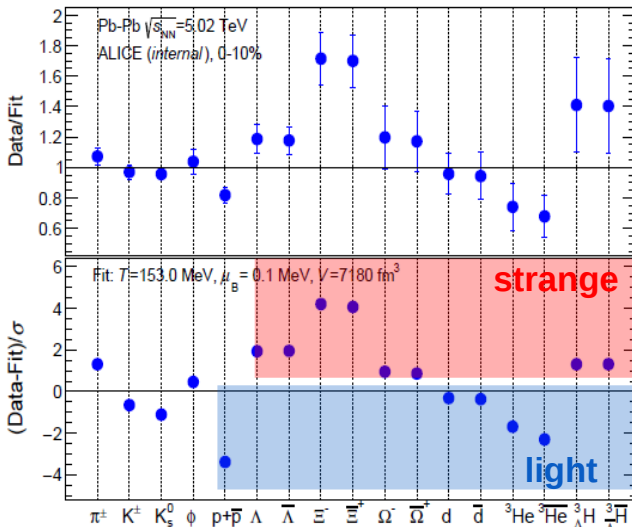
- Assume particles are in thermal and chemical equilibrium (Grand Canonical Ensemble)
- Calculate ratios of particles in HRG across  $T$  and  $\mu_B$  (volume cancels)
- Extract chemical equilibrium  $T$  &  $\mu_B$ ,  $\rightarrow$  shortly after hadronization
- Lower Beam Energies=Larger  $\mu_B$  **Beam Energy Scan**

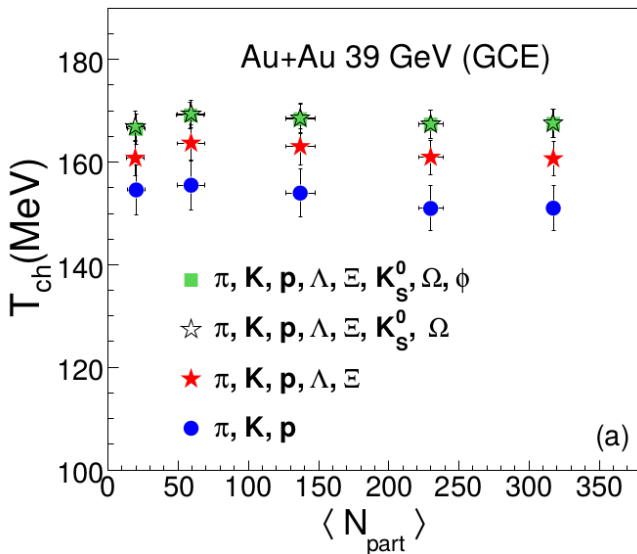
# Tension between protons and strange baryons



protons still  
overpredicted (prefer  
lower  $T_{FO}$ ) and strange  
baryons underpredicted  
(prefer higher  $T_{FO}$ )

# Consistent deviations for light vs. strange baryons



Strange baryons  $\uparrow T_{ch}$  by  $\sim 10$  MeV

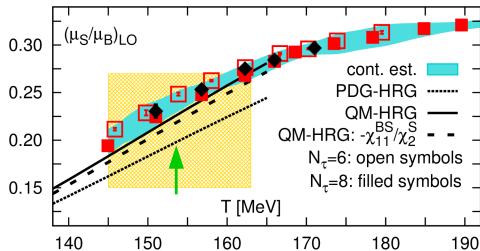




find missing resonances

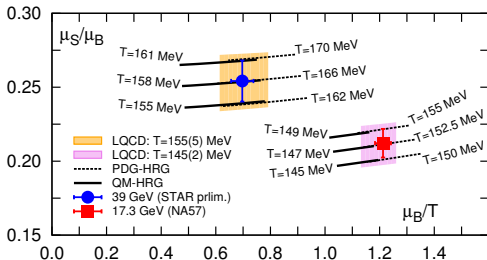


# Determining the Number of Hadronic States



Quark Model states (predicted, not yet measured)

$\mu_S/\mu_B$  from Hadron Resonance Gas matches Lattice QCD



↓ the freeze-out line\*\*

[HotQCD] Phys.Rev.Lett. 113 (2014) no.7, 072001  
 \*Quark Model States: Phys. Rev. D 34, 2809 (1986), Phys. Rev. D 79, 114029 (2009)  
 \*\*No decays included

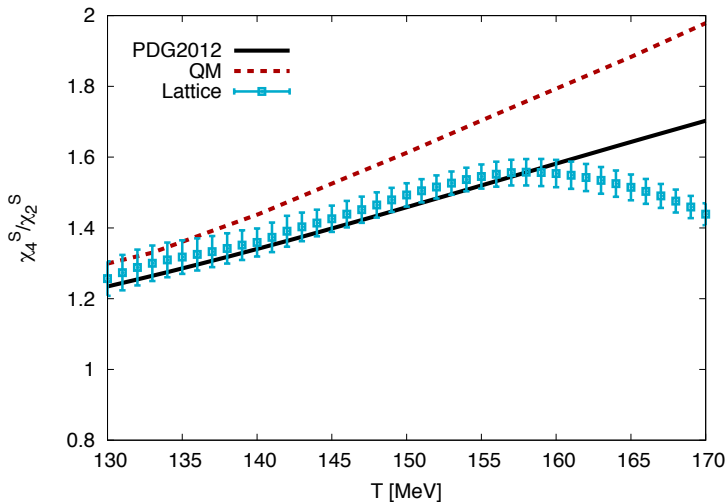
# Susceptibilities

Taking derivatives of the pressure gives further information

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

- For instance, taking partial derivatives respect to Strangeness selects on only strange hadrons.
- The chemical potentials are constrained by experiments  $\langle \rho_S \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle \rho_Q \rangle = 0.4 \langle \rho_B \rangle$
- Higher-order susceptibilities more sensitive to critical behavior

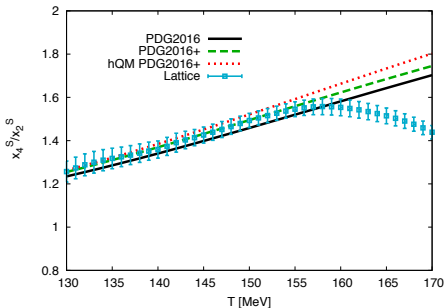
# Quark Model states overpredict $\chi_4^S/\chi_2^S$



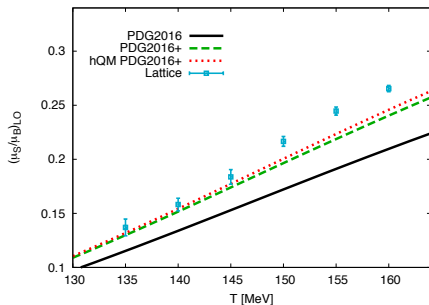
# PDG16+ all measured states

PDG16 includes \* and \*\* states, measured but little information known about these states

PDG16+ matches  $\chi_4\chi_2$



Partial pressure closer to Lattice QCD data



[WB collaboration] Alba, JNH et al Phys.Rev. D96 (2017) no.3, 034517

# Pressure by Baryon Number, Strangeness, Charge

Can separate pressure by quantum numbers e.g. for strange hadrons (can separate by any BSQ, though)

$$P_S(\hat{\mu}_B, \hat{\mu}_S) = P_{0|1|} \cosh(\hat{\mu}_S) + P_{1|1|} \cosh(\hat{\mu}_B - \hat{\mu}_S) \\ + P_{1|2|} \cosh(\hat{\mu}_B - 2\hat{\mu}_S) + P_{1|3|} \cosh(\hat{\mu}_B - 3\hat{\mu}_S)$$

$$P_{0|1|} = \chi_2^S - \chi_{22}^{BS}$$

$$P_{1|1|} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \chi_4^S - \chi_2^S + 5\chi_{13}^{BS} + 7\chi_{22}^{BS} \right)$$

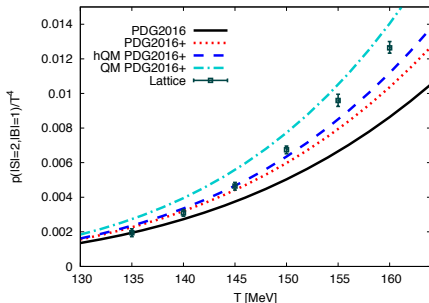
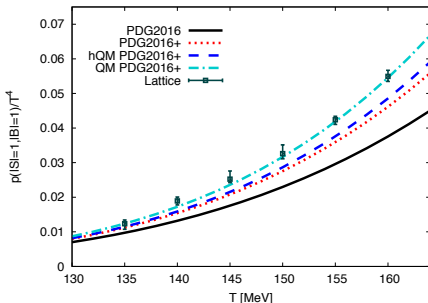
$$P_{1|2|} = -\frac{1}{4} \left( \chi_4^S - \chi_2^S + 4\chi_{13}^{BS} + 4\chi_{22}^{BS} \right)$$

$$P_{1|3|} = \frac{1}{18} \left( \chi_4^S - \chi_2^S + 3\chi_{13}^{BS} + 3\chi_{22}^{BS} \right)$$

Note all  $P_{B|S|}$  taken at the limit of  $\mu_B = 0$

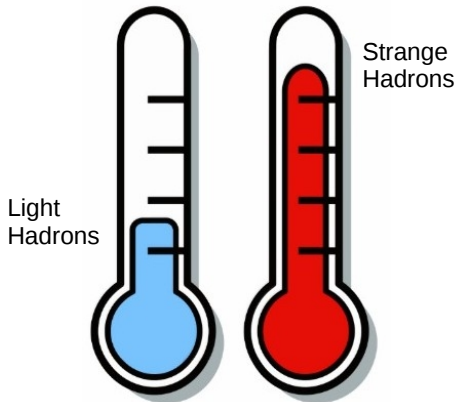
# Partial pressure closer to Lattice QCD data

PDG16+ and hQM+PDG16+ closest to Lattice QCD data. Use PDG16+ since the most information is known about these states.



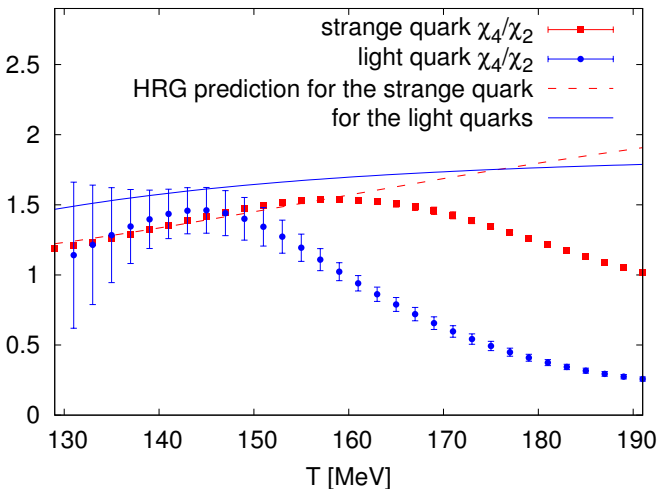
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# Should light freeze-out = strange hadrons freeze-out?



Look to fluctuations of conserved charges



Flavor hierarchy in  $\chi_4^S/\chi_2^S$ 

Bellwied et al, Phys.Rev.Lett. 111 (2013) 202302



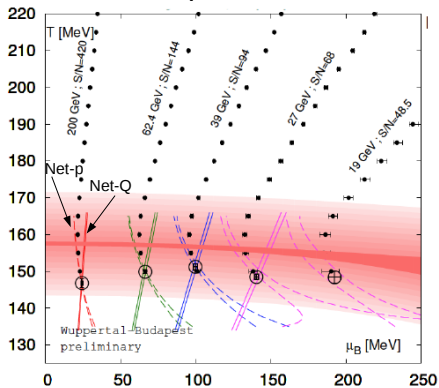
# Acceptance cuts in the Hadron Resonance Gas

$$\tilde{\chi}_n^{K^\pm} = \sum_i^{N_{HRG}} (Pr_{i \rightarrow K^\pm} S_j)^n \frac{d_i}{4\pi^2} \cdot \frac{\partial^{n-1}}{\partial \mu_S^{n-1}} \left\{ \int_{-0.5}^{0.5} dy \int_{0.2}^{1.6} dp_T \times \frac{p_T E_T \text{Cosh}[y]}{(-1)^{B_k+1} + \exp((\text{Cosh}[y] E_T - \mu_i/T))} \right\}$$

where  $E_T = \sqrt{p_T^2 + m_k^2}$  and  $\mu_i = (B_i \mu_b + S_i \mu_S + Q_i \mu_Q)$

# Comparison of HRG to Lattice QCD

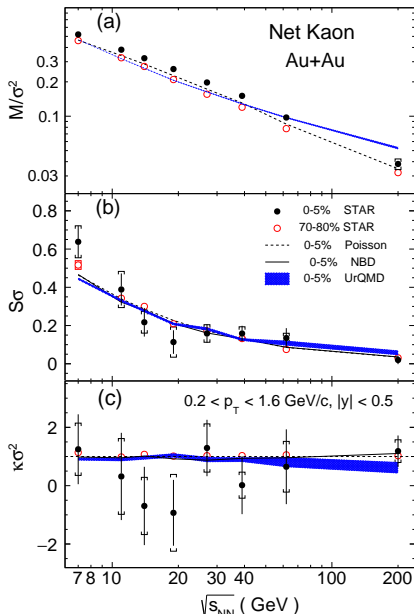
Isentrope lines  $S/N_B = \text{const}$  generated from Freeze-out point



[WB] Phys.Rev.Lett. 113 (2014) 052301

Caveats: effects from acceptance cuts, decays, finite size effects etc

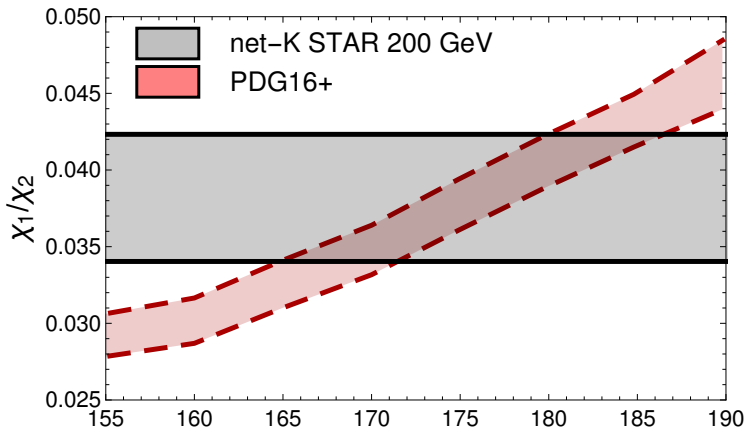
# Fluctuations of net-Kaons



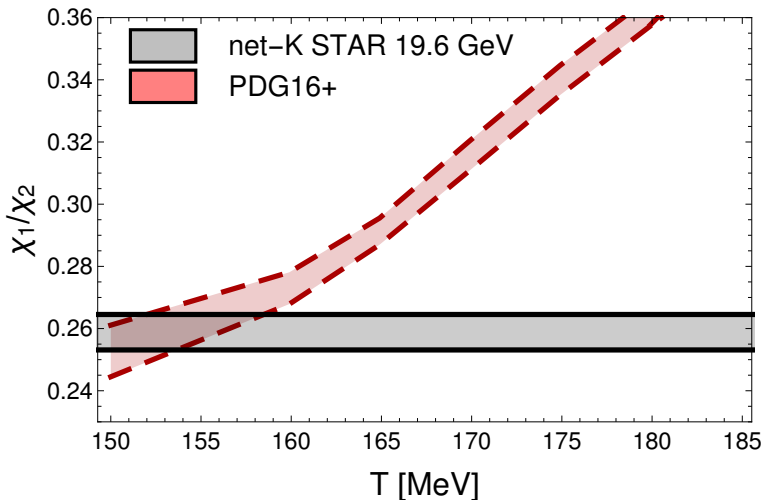
UrQMD fails to capture  
 $M/\sigma^2$  in 0 – 5%

[STAR] Phys. Lett. B  
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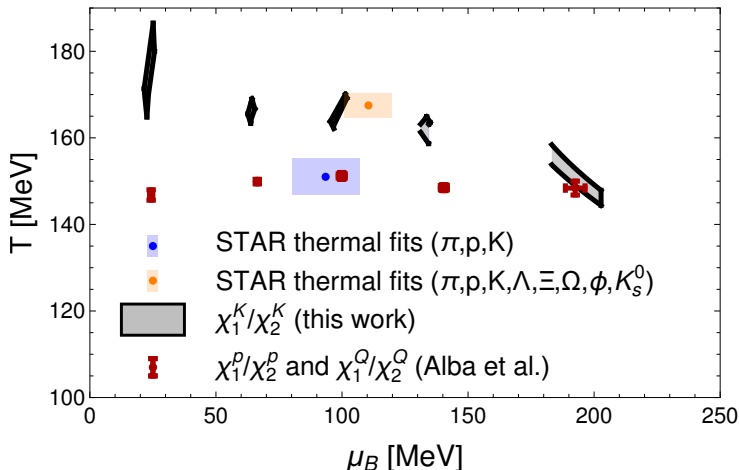
# Isentropes vs. STAR data at $s_{NN} = 200$ GeV



Bellwied, JNH, Parotto, Vazquez, Ratti, Stafford, arXiv:1805.00088

Isentropes vs. STAR data at  $s_{NN} = 19.6$  GeV

# Flavor hierarchy seen compared to STAR data at RHIC

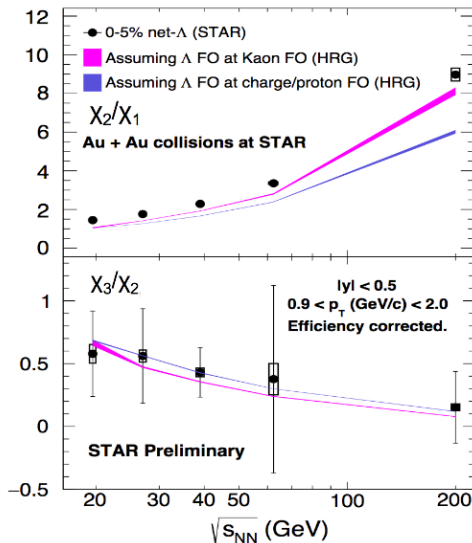


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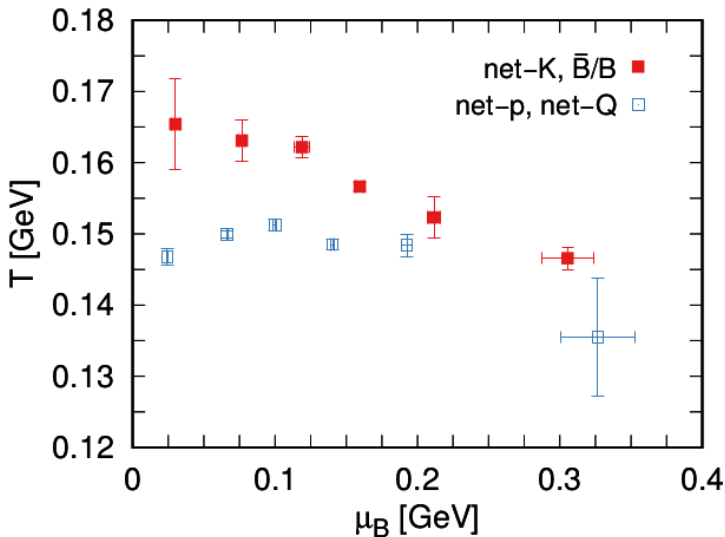
Thermal fits also see flavor hierarchy [STAR] Phys. Rev. C 96 (2017) 44904



# Predictions from net- $\Lambda$ 's



# Independent confirmation- net-K fluctuations and Hyperon yields



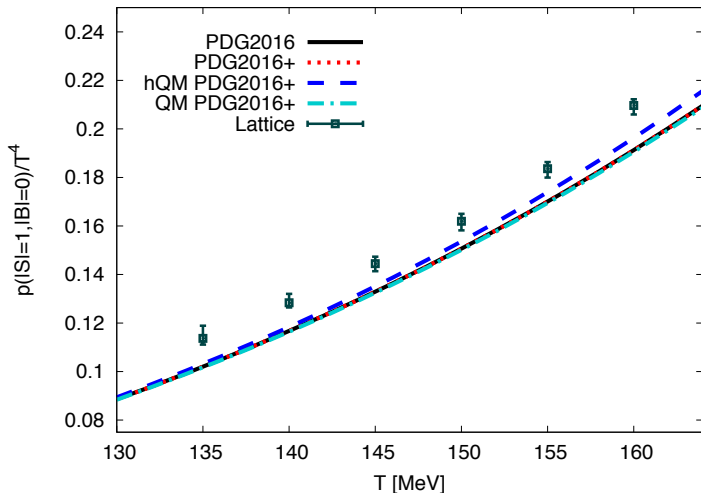
# Probabilistic decays

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_K^2 &= \langle (\Delta N_{K+}^*)^2 \rangle_T + \langle (\Delta N_{K-}^*)^2 \rangle_T \\
 &+ \sum_R \langle (\Delta N_R^*)^2 \rangle_T (\langle n_{K+} \rangle_R^2 + \langle n_{K-} \rangle_R^2) \\
 &- 2 \sum_R \langle (\Delta N_R^*)^2 \rangle_T \langle n_{K+} \rangle_R \langle n_{K-} \rangle_R \quad \text{Probabilistic contributions} \\
 &+ \sum_R \langle N_R^* \rangle_T (\langle (\Delta n_{K+})^2 \rangle_R + \langle (\Delta n_{K-})^2 \rangle_R) \quad \text{of decay process, } \uparrow T_{\text{FO}} \\
 &- 2 \sum_R \langle N_R^* \rangle_T \langle \Delta n_{K+} \Delta n_{K-} \rangle_R, \quad \sim 5\% \quad (3)
 \end{aligned}$$

Bluhm and Narhgang, arXiv:1806.04499

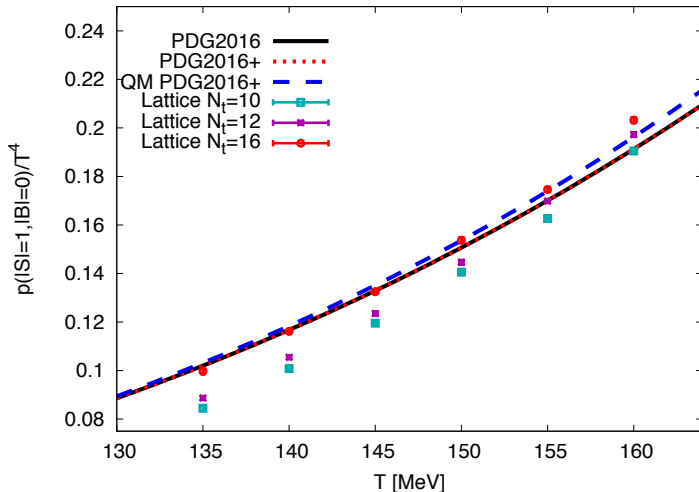


# Understand kaon resonances



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# Continuum extrapolation difficult



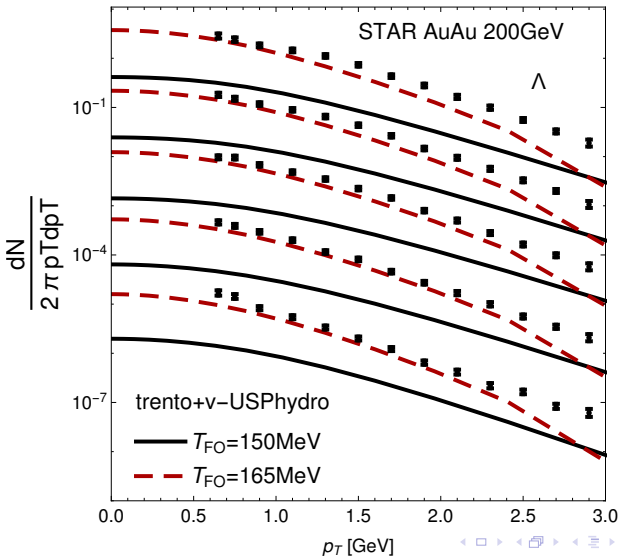
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# Hydrodynamics simulations

- New Equation of State with strange particles freezing out at a higher temperature
- Strangeness and baryon number conservation
- Strangeness and baryon number diffusion
- Initial conditions with a strange and baryon number distribution
- Hadronization that considers charge conservation

# Would it be worth it?

Check in oversimplified hydro





# Conclusions and Outlook

- PDG16+ best compromise with current Lattice QCD data
- $\{T_{ch}, \mu_B\}$  extracted from net-K's incompatible with net-p and net-Q
- net- $\Lambda$ 's also appear to favor a higher  $\{T_{ch}, \mu_B\}$
- Long way off from conclusive dynamical simulations

# Backup Slides

# Selecting only charged kaons in Lattice QCD

Experiments measure  $K^{+/-}$ , Lattice QCD includes  $K^0, \Lambda, \Xi, \Omega$

Partial pressure of  $K^{+/-}$ :

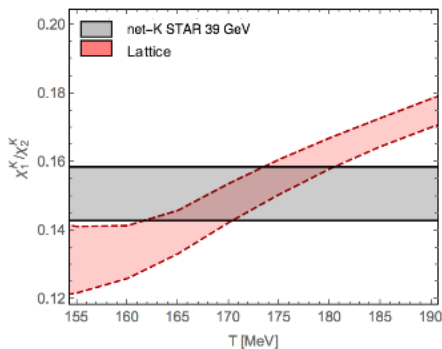
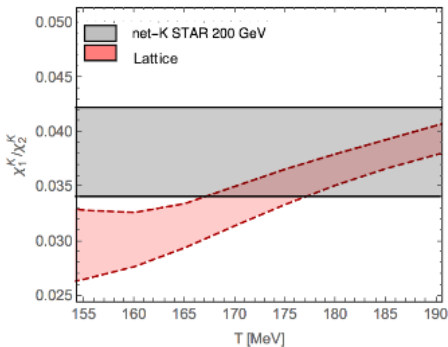
$$P_{K^{+/-}} = P_{0|1||1|} \cosh(\hat{\mu}_S + \hat{\mu}_Q) \text{ where } P_{0|1||1|} = \chi_2^S - \chi_{22}^{BS}$$

Taking derivatives:

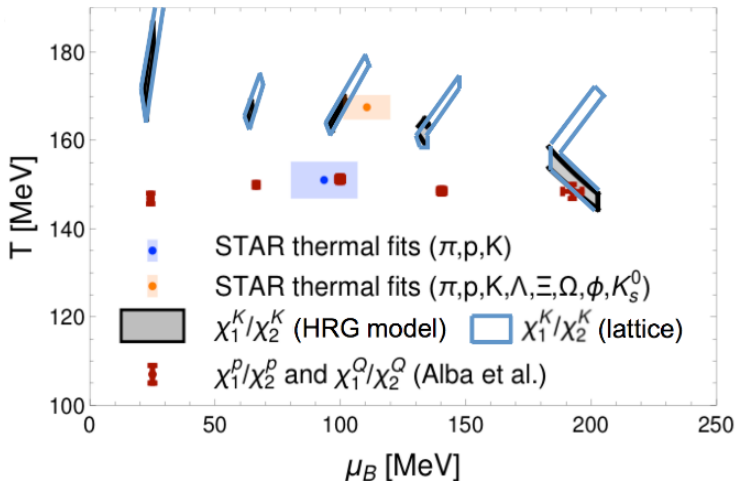
$$\frac{\chi_2^K}{\chi_1^K} = \frac{\cosh(\hat{\mu}_S + \hat{\mu}_Q)}{\sinh(\hat{\mu}_S + \hat{\mu}_Q)}$$

$$\frac{\chi_3^K}{\chi_2^K} = \frac{\sinh(\hat{\mu}_S + \hat{\mu}_Q)}{\cosh(\hat{\mu}_S + \hat{\mu}_Q)}$$

$$\frac{\chi_4^K}{\chi_2^K} = \frac{\chi_e^K}{\chi_e^K} = 1$$

Isentropes and net-Kaons constrain  $T_{FO}^S$ 

# Flavor hierarchy seen compared to STAR data at RHIC

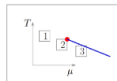
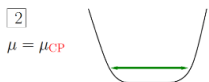
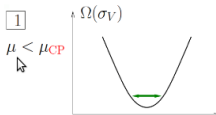


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# Fluctuations near a critical point

Feature of a critical point: divergence of the correlation length  $\xi$



The probability distribution for the order parameter (chiral condensate)

$$P[\sigma] \sim \exp\{-\Omega[\sigma]/T\}$$

$$\Omega = \int d^3x \left[ \frac{1}{2}(\nabla\sigma)^2 + \frac{m_\sigma^2}{2}\sigma^2 + \frac{\lambda_3}{3}\sigma^3 + \dots \right]$$

For electric Charge Fluctuation,  
the **correlation length** ( $\xi = m_\sigma^{-1}$ )

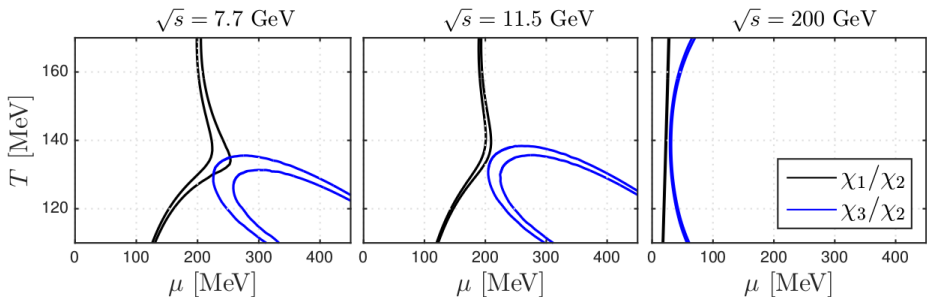
$$\xi \sim |T - T_c|^{-\nu} \text{ where } \nu > 0$$

$$\chi_2 = VT\xi^2$$

$$\chi_3 = 2VT^{3/2}\hat{\lambda}_3\xi^{9/2}$$

$$\chi_4 = 6VT^2[2\hat{\lambda}_3^2 - \hat{\lambda}_4]\xi^7$$

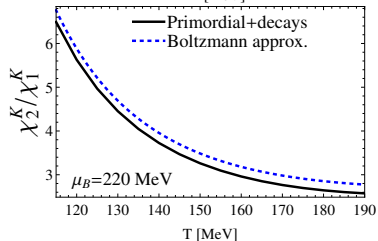
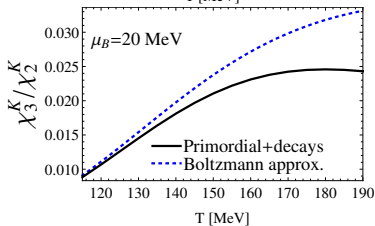
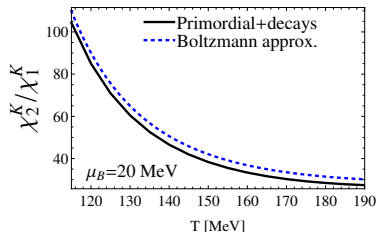
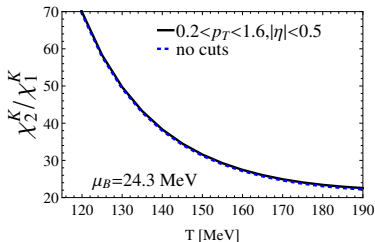
# Extraction of the freeze-out line from susceptibilities



- Freeze out points  $[T - \mu_B]$  are extracted from the line made by the closer points between  $\chi_1/\chi_2$  and  $\chi_3/\chi_2$

# Effects of decays, full statistics, acceptance cuts

Acceptance/decays small effect for  $\chi_2^K/\chi_2^K$  but higher order cumulants necessitate decays!





# Fermi-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

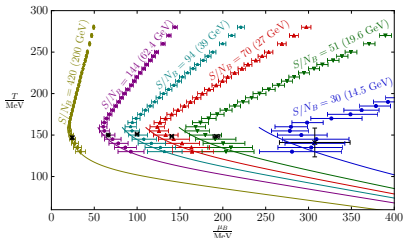
$$Z(\mu_B, T) = \text{Tr} \left( e^{-\frac{H_{\text{QCD}} - \mu_B N_B}{T}} \right) = \int \mathcal{D}U e^{-S_G[U]} \det M[U, \mu_B]$$

where for finite  $\mu_B$  then  $\det M[U, \mu_B] \rightarrow$  complex so Monte Carlo simulations are no longer possible

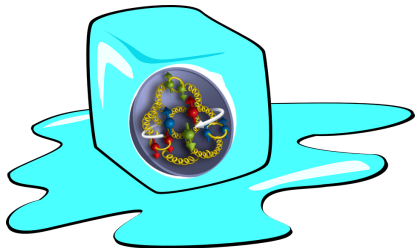
- Taylor expansion around  $\mu_B = 0$  (Bielefeld-Swansea collaboration 2002; R. Gai, S. Gupta 2003)
- Reweighting (complex phase moved from the measure to observables) (Barbour et al. 1998; Z. Fodor and S. Katz, 2002)
- Simulations at imaginary chemical potentials (plus analytic continuation) (Alford, Kapustin, Wilczek, 1999; de Forcrand, Philipsen, 2002; D'Elia, Lombardo 2003)

# Phase Diagram from Lattice QCD

Beam Energy Scan- vary  
center of mass energy



Trajectories of heavy-ion collisions  
assuming a constant entropy  
[ Wuppertal Budapest Collaboration ] arXiv:1607.02493



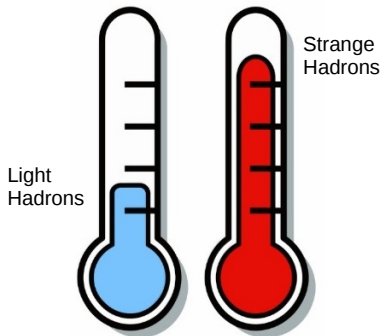
$$\chi_{lmn}^{BSQ} = \frac{\delta^{l+m+n} \rho / T^4}{\delta(\mu_B/T)^l \delta(\mu_S/T)^m \delta(\mu_Q/T)^n}$$

## Melting hadrons

Susceptibilities from Lattice QCD compared to particle numbers of conserved charges used to calculate the freeze-out line

# Are the freeze-out T's of light and strange equal?

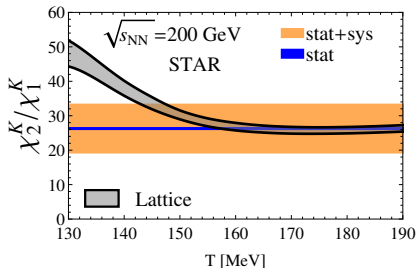
Connecting first principle Lattice QCD calculations to Beam Energy Scan data



Look to experimental data of  
Baryons vs. Kaons

Only can see a minimum  
 $T_{strange}^{min} > 148 \text{ MeV}$ .

$$M_K / \sigma_K^2 = \tanh^{-1}(\hat{\mu}_S + \hat{\mu}_Q)$$



Lattice QCD: [JNH, et al, arXiv:1607.02527](#)  
STAR data from Ji Xu Strangeness in Quark Matter 2016

# Quantum Chromodynamics

Describing interactions between quarks  $q$  and gluons  $g$

- **Quarks** described by Spin =  $\frac{1}{2}$  Dirac Fields  $\psi_{\alpha}^{i,q}(x)$ 
  - $\alpha$  Dirac spinor index
  - $i = (1, 2, 3)$   $SU(3)$  color index
  - $q = (u, d, s, c, b, t)$  flavor index
- **Gluons** described by Spin = 1 Vector Fields  $A_{\mu}^a(x)$ 
  - $\mu$  Lorentz vector index
  - $a = (1, 2, \dots, 8)$  color index
- Gell-Mann matrices in color space  $(\lambda^a)_{ij}$ 
  - $i, j = 1, 2, 3$
  - $SU(3)$ , naturally generalize the Pauli matrices for  $SU(2)$
  - $\left[ \frac{\lambda_a}{2}, \frac{\lambda_b}{2} \right] = if_{abc} \frac{\lambda_c}{2}$

# Quantum Chromodynamics Lagrangian

- Gauge Invariance

$$\psi(x) \rightarrow \psi'(x) = U(x)\psi(x) = e^{-i\theta_a(x)\lambda_k/2}\psi(x)$$

where  $U(x)$  is a 3x3 unitary matrix

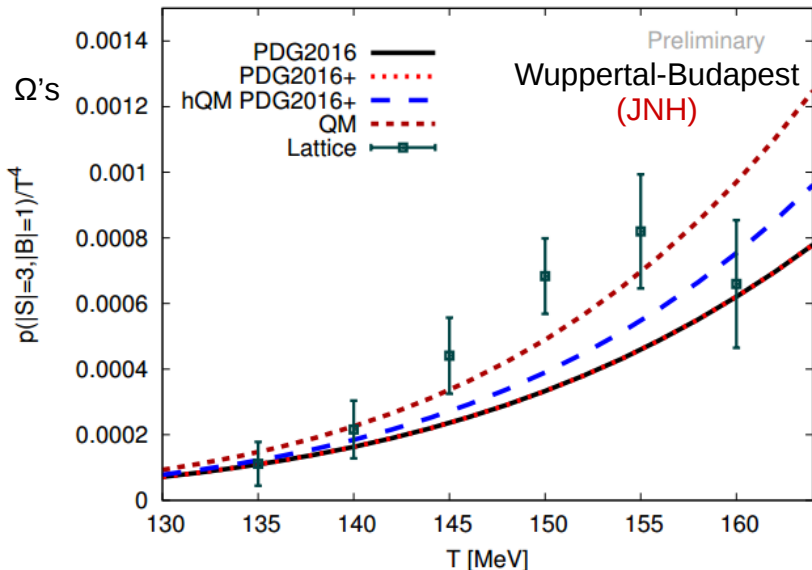
- QCD Lagrangian

$$L_{QCD} = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu}}_{\text{Gluon Fields}} + \underbrace{\bar{\psi}^q (i\gamma_\mu D^\mu - m_q) \psi^q}_{\text{Quark Fields}}$$

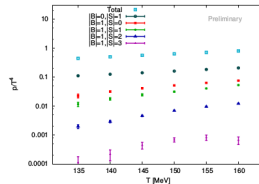
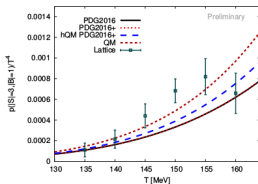
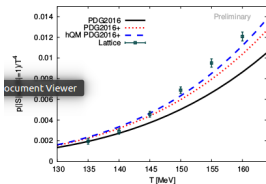
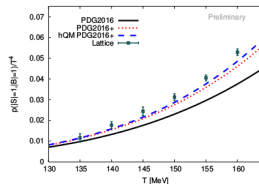
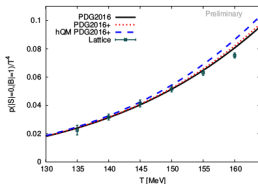
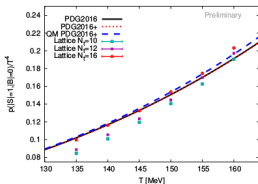
where gluon field  $F_{\mu\nu}^a = \underbrace{\partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a}_{\text{QED}} + \underbrace{gf^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c}_{\text{gauge invariance}}$

and  $D^\mu = \partial^\mu - igA^\mu(x)$ ,  $m_q$ =quark mass depending on the flavor, and the gauge coupling parameter  $g$  is  $g^2/(4\pi) = \alpha_s$

# Partial Pressure



# Partial Pressure



# Hadron Resonance Gas model

Pressure:

$$p^{HRG}/T^4 = \frac{1}{VT^3} \sum_i \ln Z_i(T, \mu)$$

Energy Density:

$$\varepsilon^{HRG}/T^4 = -\frac{1}{VT^3} \sum_i \frac{\partial \ln Z_i(T, \mu)}{\partial(1/T)}$$

Number Density:

$$n^{HRG}/T^3 = \frac{1}{VT^2} \sum_i \frac{\partial \ln Z_i(T, \mu)}{\partial \mu}$$

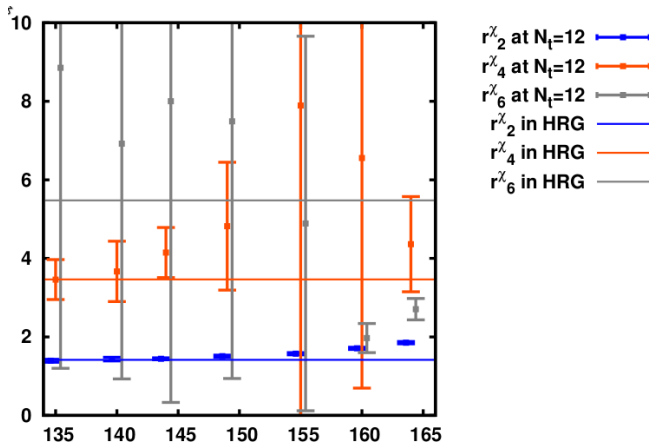
Entropy density:

$$s^{HRG}/T^3 = \frac{1}{VT^2} \sum_i \ln \frac{\partial \ln Z_i(T, \mu)}{\partial T} = \frac{\varepsilon + p - \sum_j^{BSQ} \mu_j \rho_j}{T}$$

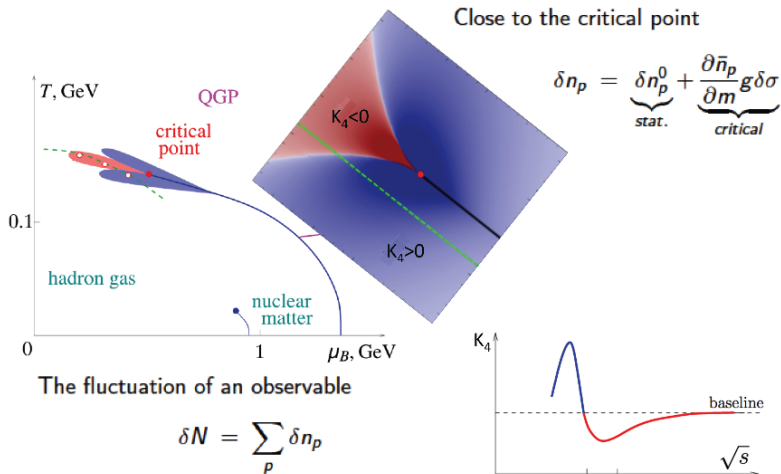


# Einstein-Maxwell-Dirac equations

static charged black hole backgrounds that are spatially isotropic and translationally invariant

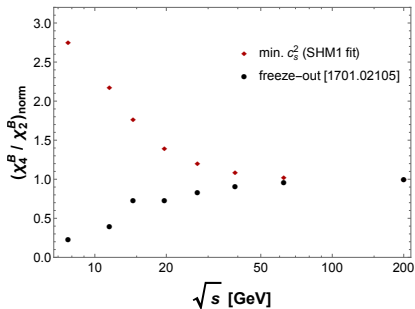
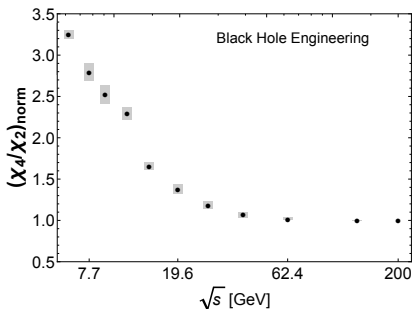


# Kurtosis at CP



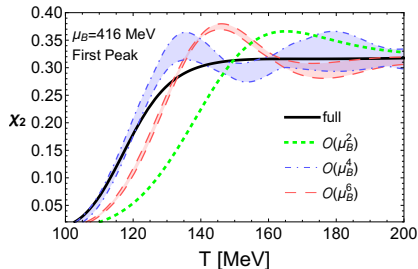
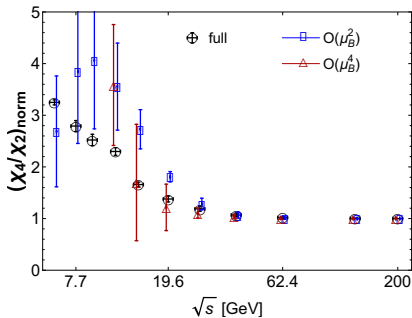
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# Kurtosis



kurtosis strongly depends on the freeze-out line

# Reconstructing Kurtosis



Looking for peaks in  $\chi_2$  may be easier than kurtosis