

QCD Thermodynamics from an Imaginary μ_B

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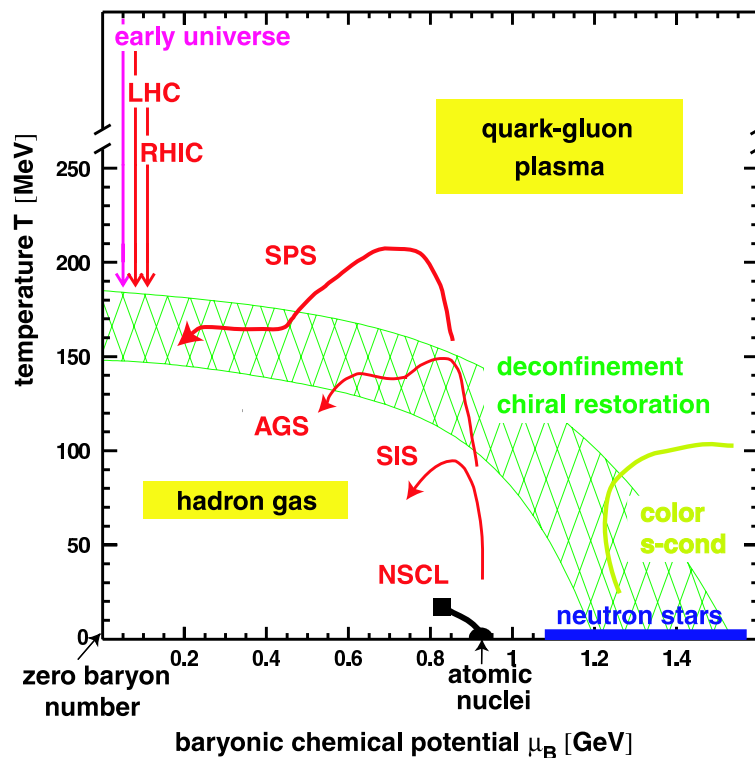
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QCD at nonzero baryon density is a twenty years old, and difficult problem. In the last four years a few lattice techniques proven successful for

$$\mu_B/T < 1.$$



$$\mathcal{Z}(T, \mu, U) = \int dU e^{-(S_{YM}(U) - \log(\det M))}$$

$\det M > 0 \rightarrow$ Importance Sampling

$$M^\dagger(\mu_B) = -M(-\mu_B)$$

$\mu = 0 \rightarrow \det M$ is **real**

Particles-antiparticles symmetry

Imaginary $\mu \neq 0 \rightarrow \det M$ is **real**

(Real) Particles-antiparticles symmetry

Real $\mu \neq 0$ Particles-antiparticles asymmetry

$\rightarrow \det M$ is **complex** in **QCD**

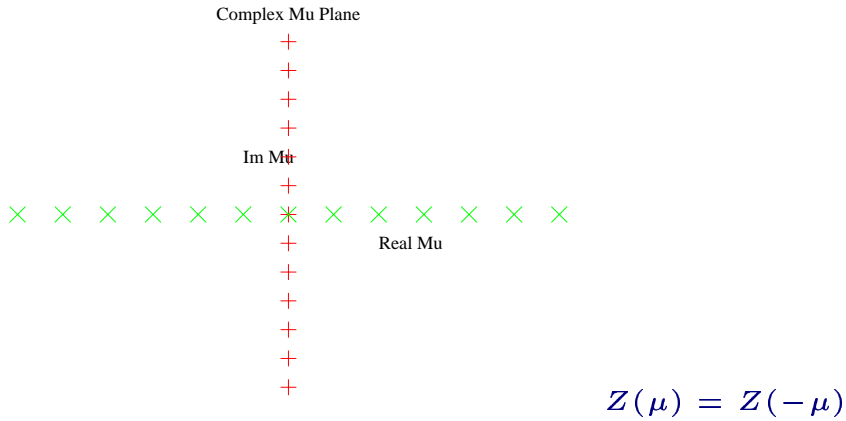
QCD with a real baryon chemical potential:

use information from the accessible region

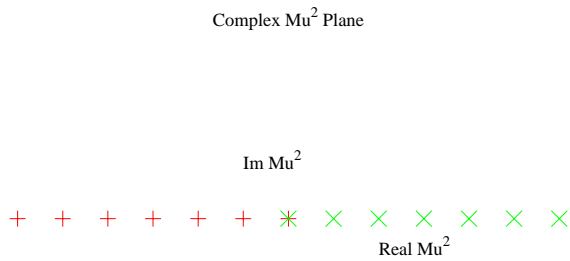
$$\text{Real} \mu = 0, \text{Im} \mu \leq 0$$

QCD and a Complex μ_B

Analytic continuation along one arc in the complex μ plane:



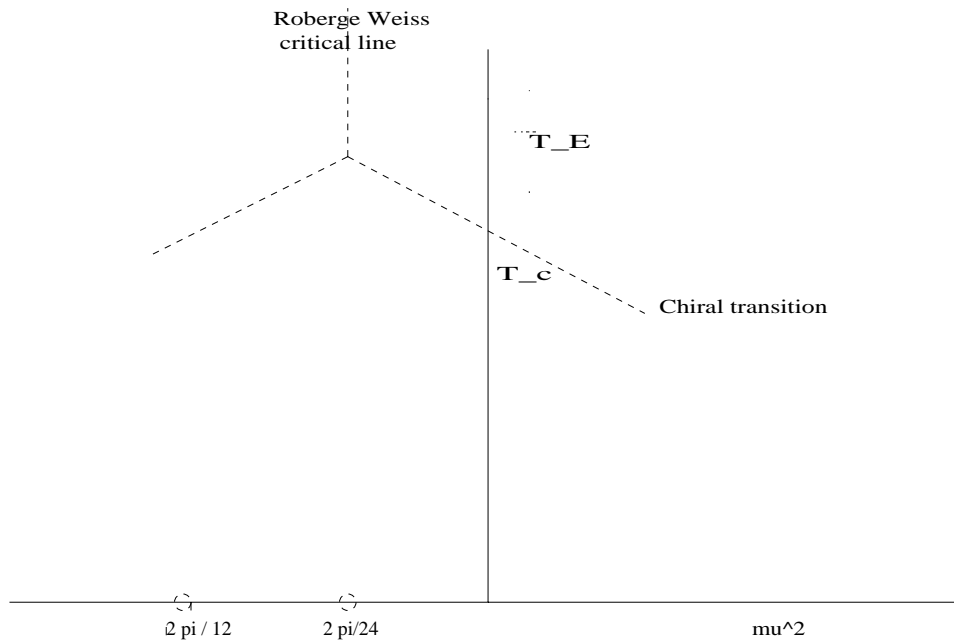
Can be mapped onto the complex μ^2 plane



**To define $\mathcal{Z}(\mu^2)$ which is
REAL VALUED FOR REAL μ^2**

Analogy with statistical models in external fields

The Phase Diagram in the T, μ_B^2 Plane



Region accessible to simulations: μ^2 real ≤ 0 .

Multiparameter Reweighting:

Fodor, Katz, Csikor, Egri, Szabo, Toth

Derivatives: Gupta, Gavai; MILC; QCD-Taro

Expanded Reweighting: Bielefeld-Swansea

Im μ : de Forcrand, Philipsen; D'Elia, MpL

Analytic continuation from an imaginary μ

The method

Strong Coupling MpL

Dimensionally reduced model Hart, Laine, Philipsen

Check: Two colors P. Giudice, A. Papa

QCD Results for

The critical line

2,3,2+1 flavor : Ph. de Forcrand O. Philipsen

4 Flavor: M. D'Elia, MpL *

Order parameter, Pressure, Baryon Density

4 Flavor: M. d'Elia, MpL *

* This Talk

Outline

I-QCD in the T, μ^2 plane

II-The critical line

III-The hadronic phase

IV-The QGP phase

The Critical Line

Analytic continuation of the critical line from an imaginary μ :

Ph. de Forcrand and O. Philipsen

Consideration of the T, μ^2 plane helps the analysis:

Model analysis suggests this parametrization confirmed by numerical results:

$$(T + aT_c)(T - T_c) + k\mu^2 = 0, k > 0$$

Gross Neveu Model

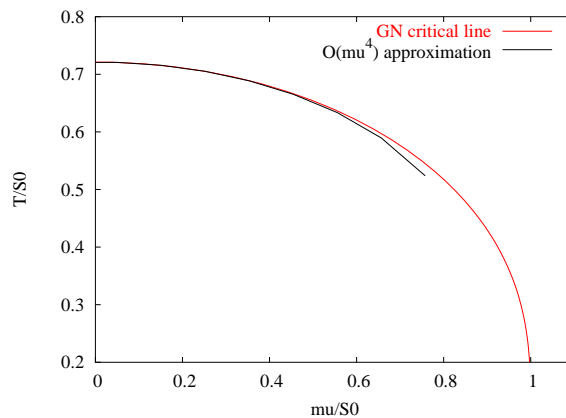
The critical line:

$$1 - \mu/\Sigma_0 = 2T/\Sigma_0 \ln(1 + e^{-\mu/T})$$

Reduces to:

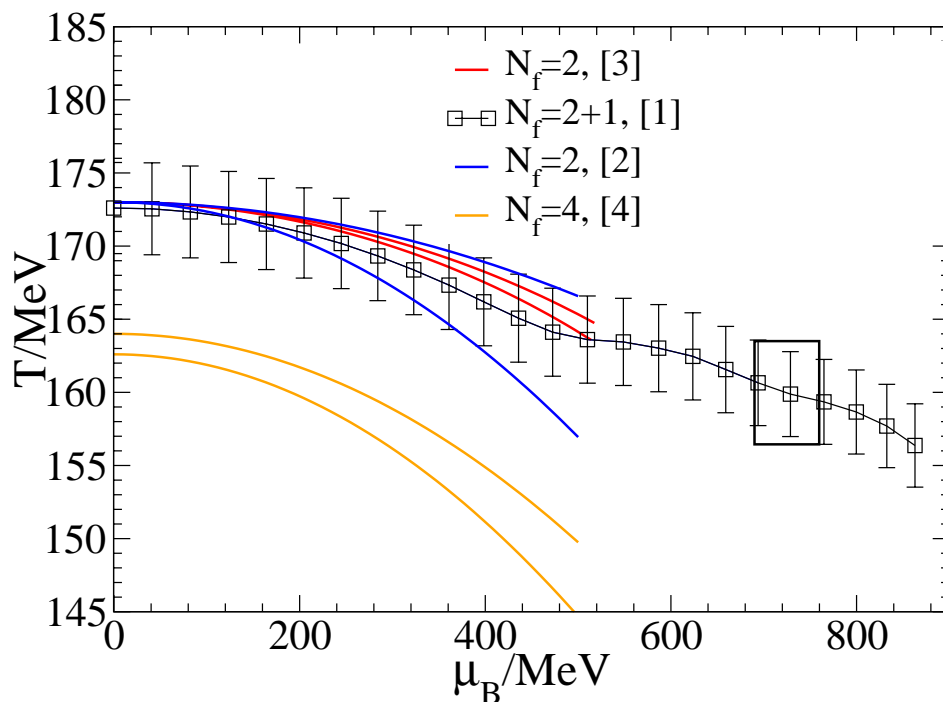
$$T(T - T_c) + \mu^2/(8\ln 2) = 0$$

Second order approximation good up to $\mu \simeq T_c$



From O. Philipsen and E. Laermann

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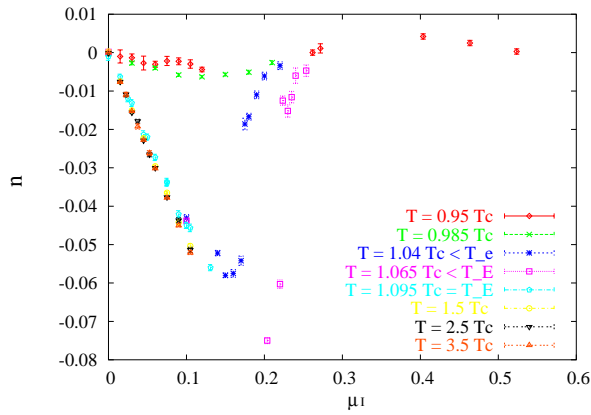


Method	N_f	m_q
reweighting [1]	2+1	$am = 0.025, m_s = 8m_u, (m_\pi \approx 300 \text{ MeV})$
rew. + Taylor [2]	2	$am = 0.1, (m_\pi \approx 600) \text{ MeV}$
imag. μ [3]	2	$am = 0.025, (m_\pi \approx 300) \text{ MeV}$
imag. μ [4]	4	$am = 0.05$

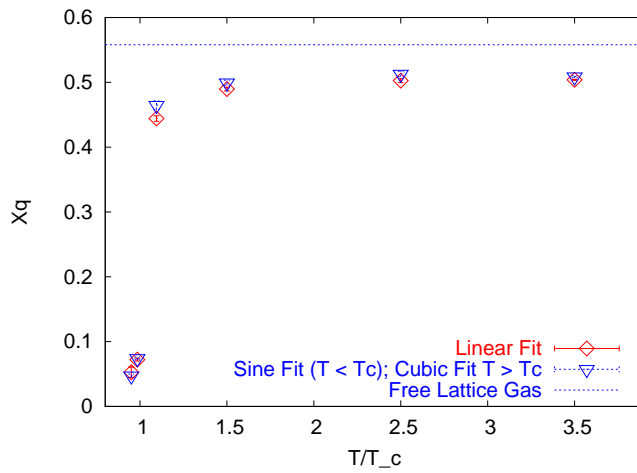
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Baryon Density

$$n(T, i\mu) = \frac{\partial \log(\mathcal{Z}(T, i\mu))}{V \partial \mu}$$

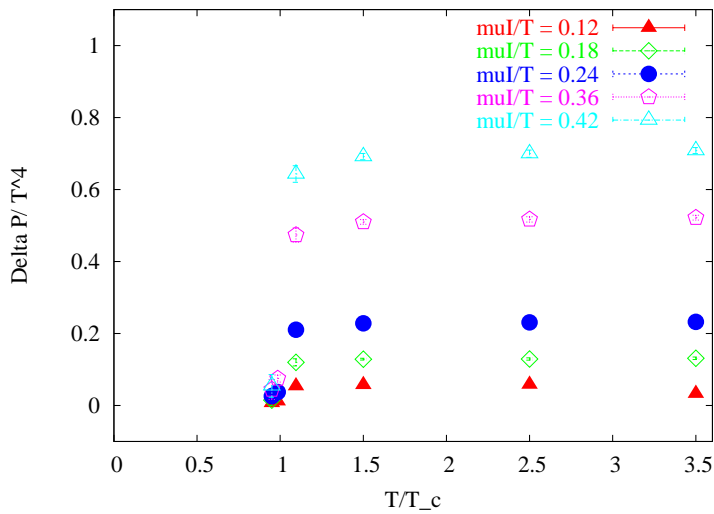
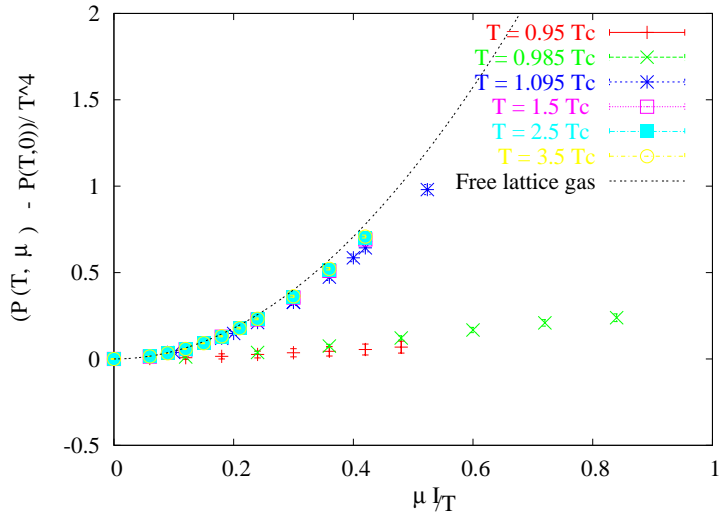


$$\chi_q(\mu = 0) = \left. \frac{i \partial n(i\mu)}{\partial \mu} \right|_{\mu=0}$$



Pressure: integral method

$$\frac{P(T, i\mu) - P(T, \mu=0)}{T^4} = N_t^4 \int d\mu n(i\mu)$$



Hadronic Phase: $T < T_c$

Observables are smooth , analytic continuation in the $\mu^2 > 0$ half plane possible, but interesting only when $\chi_q(\mu = 0, T) > 0$

Analytic continuation is valid till $\mu < \mu_c(T)$

Even and odd observables

For observables which are even/odd in the chemical potential O_e/O_o we consider two different parametrizations

- A Fourier serie

$$O_e = a_{eF} + \sum b_{eF} \cos(N_c N_t \mu)$$

$$O_o = a_{oF} + \sum b_{oF} \sin(N_c N_t \mu)$$

- A Taylor serie - useful to compare with $\mu = 0$ results: MILC; Bielefeld-Swansea; R. Gavai and S. Gupta.

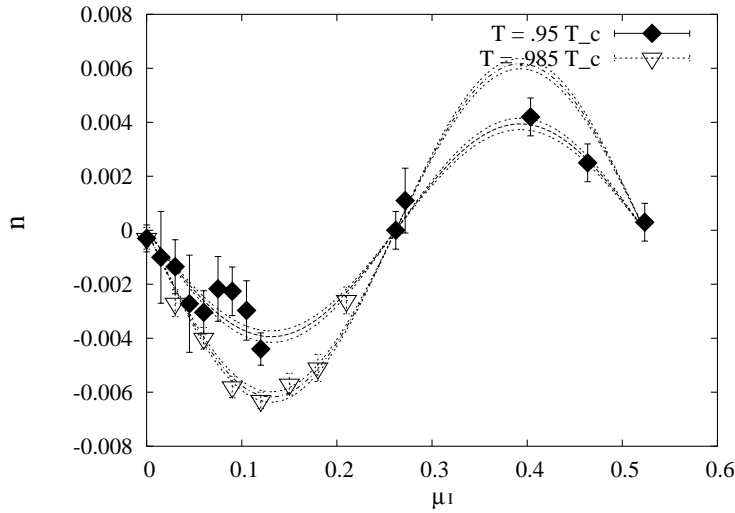
$$O_e = a_{eT} + b_{eT} \mu^2 + c_{eT} \mu^4$$

$$O_o = a_{oT} + b_{oT} \mu + c_{oT} \mu^3$$

Even/odd observables purely real/imaginary at imaginary chemical potential

Number density

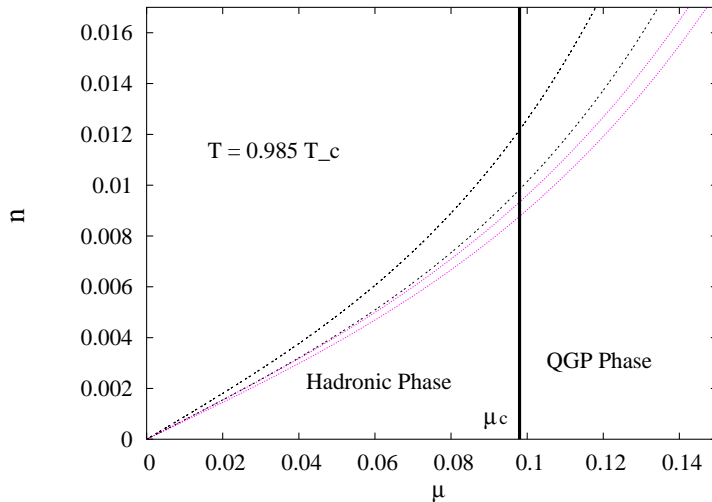
$$n(i\mu) = a_1 \sin(i\mu N_c N_T) + b_1 \sin(i2\mu N_c N_T) + b_2$$



Analytic continuation up to $\mu = \mu_c(T)$:

$$a_1 \sin(i\mu N_c N_T) + a_2 \sin(i2\mu N_c N_T)$$

$$\rightarrow a_1 \sinh(\mu N_c N_t) + a_2 \sinh(i2\mu N_c N_T)$$



critical density at $T = .985 T_c$ $n_c(\mu_c)/T^3 \simeq 0.5$

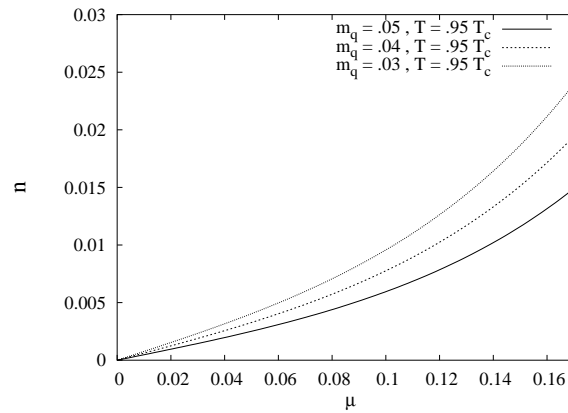
The errors from one and two Fourier coefficient fits are shown.

Mass dependence

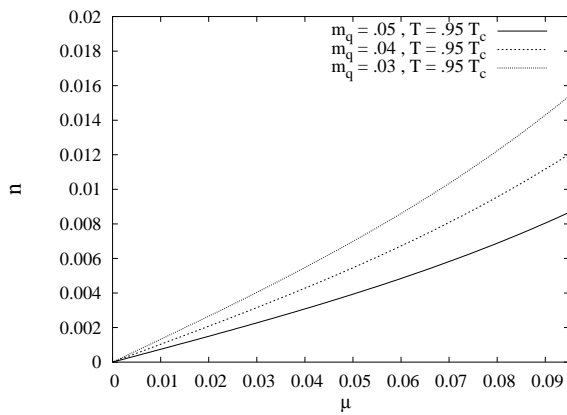
From derivatives: $\partial \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle / \partial \mu = \partial n(\mu) / \partial m$

When: $\bar{\psi} \psi(\mu, m_q) = a_C \cosh(3\mu N_T) + b_C$ and
 $n(\mu, m_q) = a_n \sinh(3\mu N_T)$

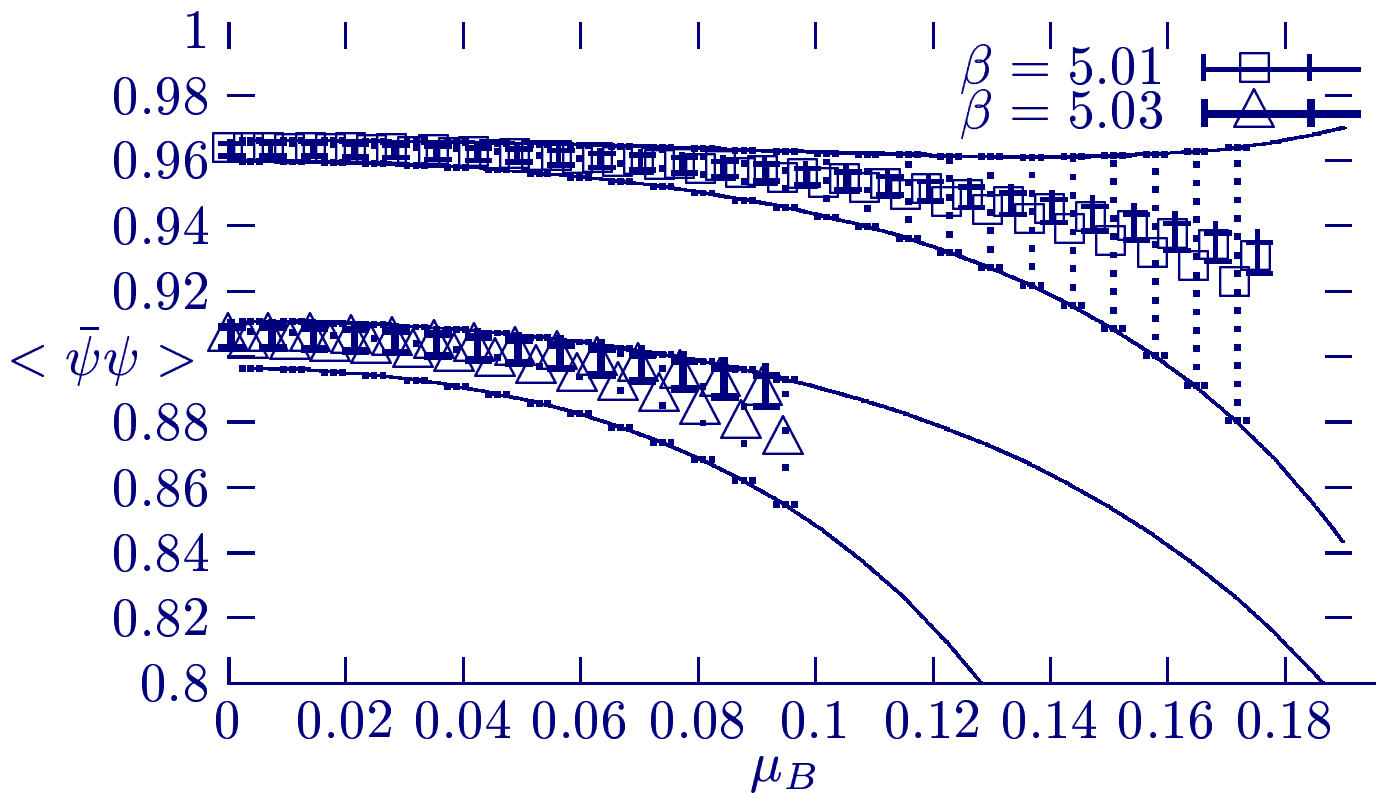
$$\frac{n(\mu, m_q + \Delta m_q) - n(\mu, m_q)}{n(\mu, m_q)} = 3 * N_T a_C / a_n \Delta m$$



$$\frac{\Delta n(\mu, m_q)}{n(\mu, m_q)} \simeq 2.53 \Delta m_q / T$$



$$\frac{\Delta n(\mu, m_q)}{n(\mu, m_q)} \simeq 4.03 \Delta m_q / T$$

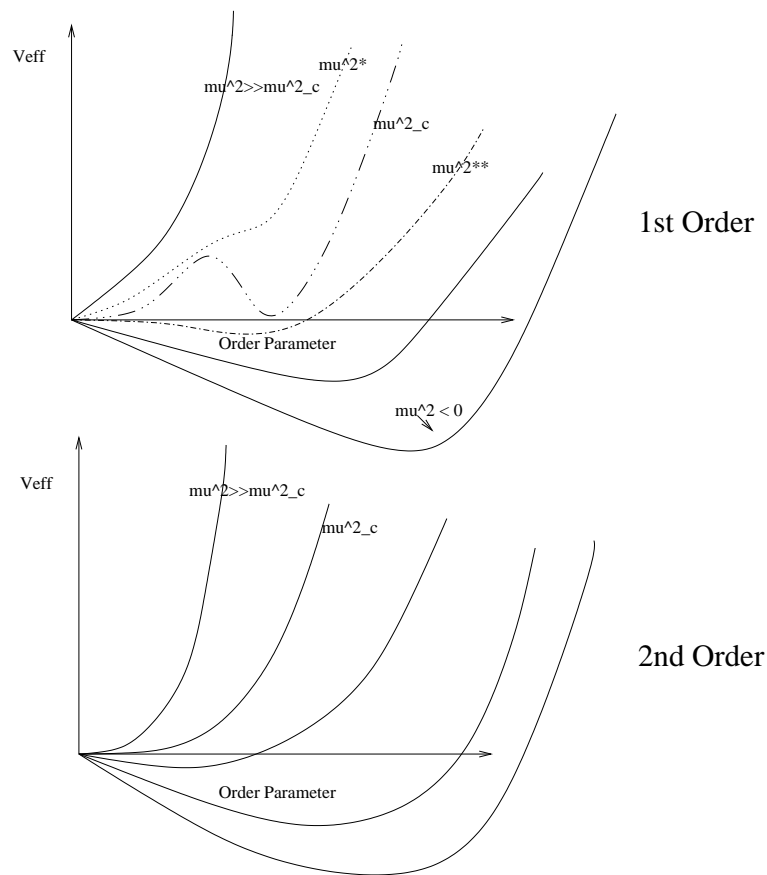


*The chiral condensate $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle (\mu_c) \neq 0$
: first order transition for four flavor
QCD, possibly weakening a bit with
temperature.*

The metastable branch

The analytic continuation is insensitive to a discontinuous phase transition since it lives on the metastable branch : it follows the secondary minimum and determines the spinodal point.

$$\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle = A(\mu - \mu^*)^\beta$$



The discontinuity can be related to $\mu - \mu^*$.

Both shrinks to zero at the **endpoint of a first order transition**

Hadron Resonance Gas Model

In general, when one Fourier component suffices

$$\frac{\partial \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle(\mu, m, T)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\partial (n(\mu, m, T))}{\partial m} = -kn(\mu, m, T)$$

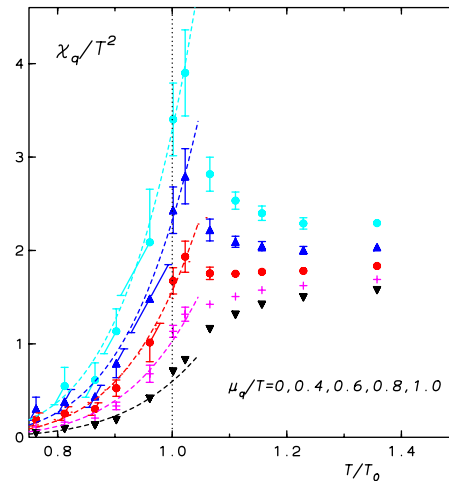
$$n(\mu, m, T) \propto A e^{-m/T} \sinh(3\mu/T)$$

The results can be contrasted with an Hadron Resonance Gas model

$$\ln \mathcal{Z}(T, \mu) = \sum_{mesons} \ln \mathcal{Z}^M(T, \mu) + \sum_{baryons} \ln \mathcal{Z}^B(T, \mu)$$

$$(m_N - \mu_B) > T \rightarrow \ln \mathcal{Z}(T, \mu) \simeq \frac{p_B}{T^4} \simeq F(T, m) \cosh(3\mu/T)$$

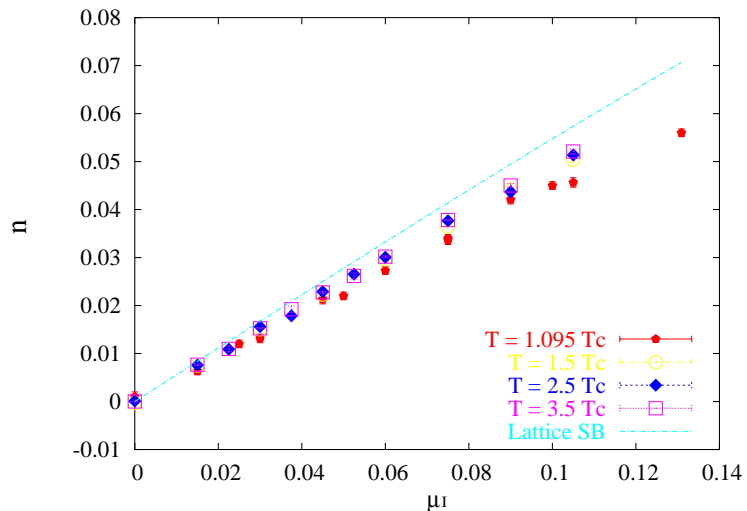
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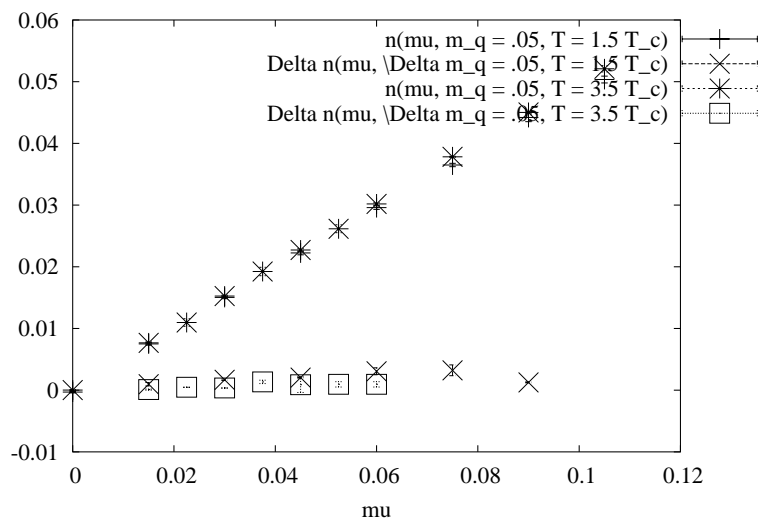
The Hot Phase $T > T_c$

Monitoring the approach to the SB (Lattice) behaviour:

analytic continuation from real to imaginary μ_B of the SB lattice result



Mass dependence from the derivative of the chiral condensate



Corrections to Free Field

A. Vuorinen 2004:

$$\Delta P(\mu) = AT^2\mu^2 + B\mu^4 + \dots$$

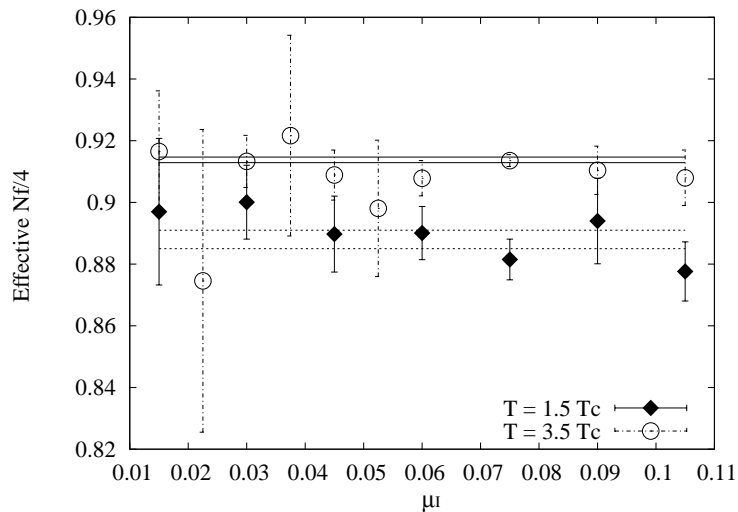
Alternatively (Rafelski, Letessier 2003, Quasiparticle models)

$$\Delta P = f(\mu)(AT^2\mu + B\mu^3)$$

Trivial possibility: $f(\mu)$: constant effective number of flavors

$$\Delta P = N_f^{eff} (AT^2\mu + B\mu^3)$$

Effective number of active flavors as estimated from the ratio of the lattice results to the lattice free field : appear to be constant for $T \geq 1.5T_c$

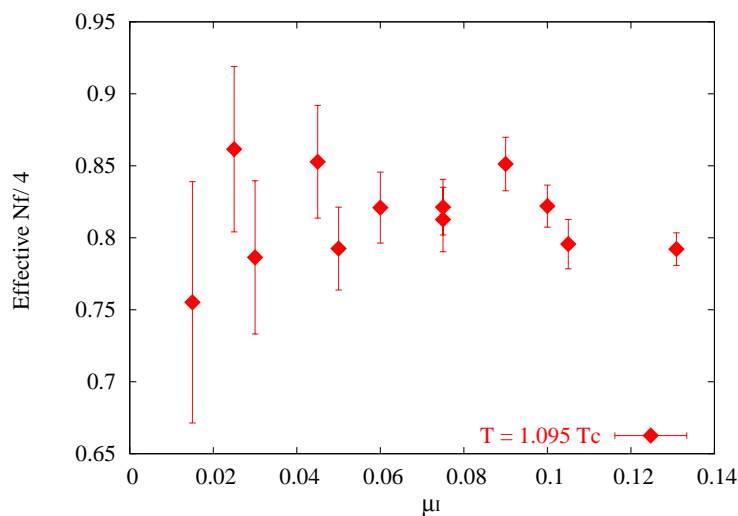
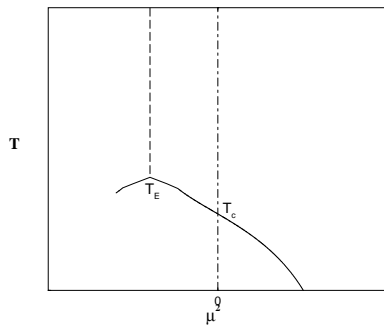


$$T_c < T < T_E$$

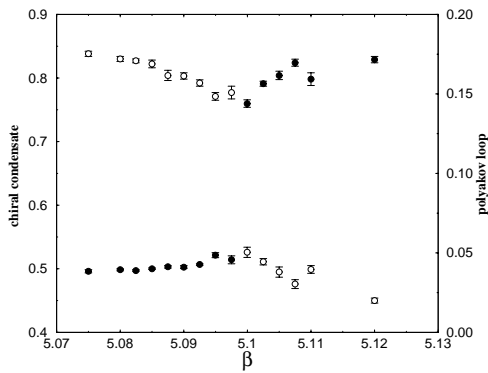
Interplay of thermodynamics and critical behaviour for $T_C < T < T_E \simeq 1.1T_c$

$$\log P(\mu, T) \propto (\mu - \mu_c)^\eta$$

Incompatible with a free field for continuous transitions, and for first order transitions of finite strength



Chiral Symmetry and Confinement



Correlation between $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle$ and Polyakov loop at $\mu_I = 0.15$, demonstrating the chiral and deconfining nature of the transition at nonzero *real* baryon density.

$$\beta_c(i\mu_I) - \beta_d(i\mu_I) = 0 \rightarrow \beta_c(\mu) - \beta_d(\mu) = 0$$

Summary

Strength of the method: not limited by volume; gives access to critical values of observables.

Results for Four flavor QCD thermodynamics for
 $.985T_c < T < 3.5T_c$

1. The critical line is of first order or a very sharp crossover

$$T/T_c^2 = 1 - 0.0021(2)(\mu/T)^2$$

$$\mu_B < 500 \text{ Mev}$$

2. Chiral and “deconfining” transition remain correlated at nonzero baryon density : $T_c^{chiral}(\mu) = T_c^{screening}(\mu)$
3. In the Hadronic Phase $\Delta P \propto \simeq \cosh(\mu_B/T)$
4. $n(\mu_c, T = .985T_c, m_q = .05)/T^3 \simeq 0.5$, and the mass corrections $\Delta n = -4.03\Delta m_q/T$.
5. For $T \geq 1.5$ the results are compatible with lattice Stefan Boltzmann with an active fixed number of flavor 0.92 for $T=3.5 T_c$ and 0.89 for $T = 2.5T_c$.
6. For $T \simeq 1.1T_c$ there is room for non trivial deviations fro free field, possibly connected with the chiral transition at $\mu^2 < 0$

Future possibilities for Im μ calculations

Hybrid Methods: combining the Im μ approach with derivatives/reweighting

Assessing the critical behaviour (tricritical point, endpoint) by monitoring the **discontinuities at the critical point**