

Chiral and deconfinement transitions at non-zero temperature and QGP

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- Symmetries of QCD at $T > 0$: chiral and deconfinement transitions
- Universal aspects of the chiral transition and the transition temperature
- Deconfinement: color screening
- Deconfinement: Equation of State
- Deconfinement: fluctuations of conserved charges, the role of strangeness

Calculations with improved staggered quark action:

⇒ Highly Improved Staggered Quark (HISQ) action (HotQCD, BNL-Bielefeld)

⇒ Stout (Budapest-Wuppertal)

Progress using Domain Wall Fermions: effective restoration of $U_A(1)$ symmetry

For a recent review see P.P. J.Phys. G39 (2012) 093002

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Symmetries of QCD at T>0

- Chiral symmetry** : $m_{u,d} \ll \Lambda$

$SU_A(2)$ symmetry $\psi \rightarrow e^{i\phi T^a \gamma_5} \psi$ $\psi_{L,R} \rightarrow e^{i\phi_{L,R} T^a} \psi_{L,R}$

$$\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle = \langle \bar{\psi}_L \psi_R \rangle + \langle \bar{\psi}_R \psi_L \rangle \neq 0$$

$$\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle = 0$$

$U_A(1)$ is broken by anomaly

restored

- Center (Z3) symmetry** : invariance under global gauge transformation

$$A_\mu(0, \mathbf{x}) = e^{i2\pi N/3} A_\mu(1/T, \mathbf{x}), \quad N = 1, 2, 3$$

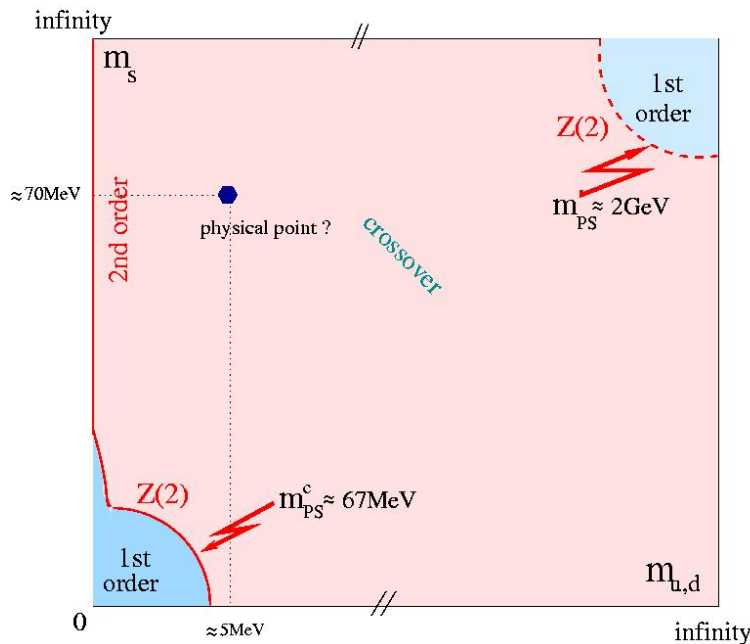
Exact symmetry for infinitely heavy quarks $\langle L \rangle = 0$

$$\langle L \rangle \neq 0$$

Polyakov loop :

$$L = \text{tr} \mathcal{P} e^{ig \int_0^{1/T} d\tau A_0(\tau, \vec{x})}$$

broken



LQCD calculations with staggered quarks suggest crossover, e.g. [Aoki et al, Nature 443 \(2006\) 675](#)

Evidence for 2nd order transition in the chiral limit
 \Rightarrow universal properties of QCD transition:

$$SU_A(2) \sim O(4)$$

relation to spin models

$U_A(1)$ restoration ?

Center symmetry does not seem to play any role in QCD

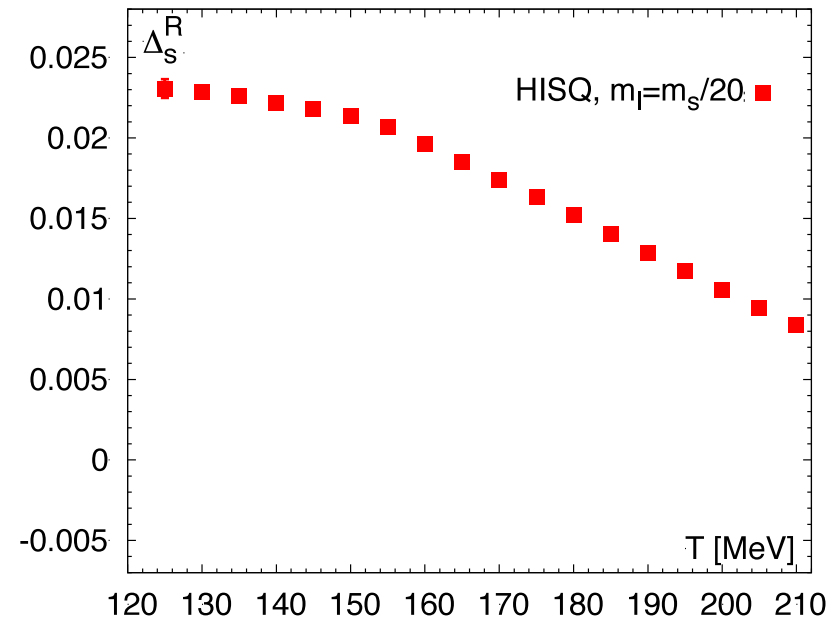
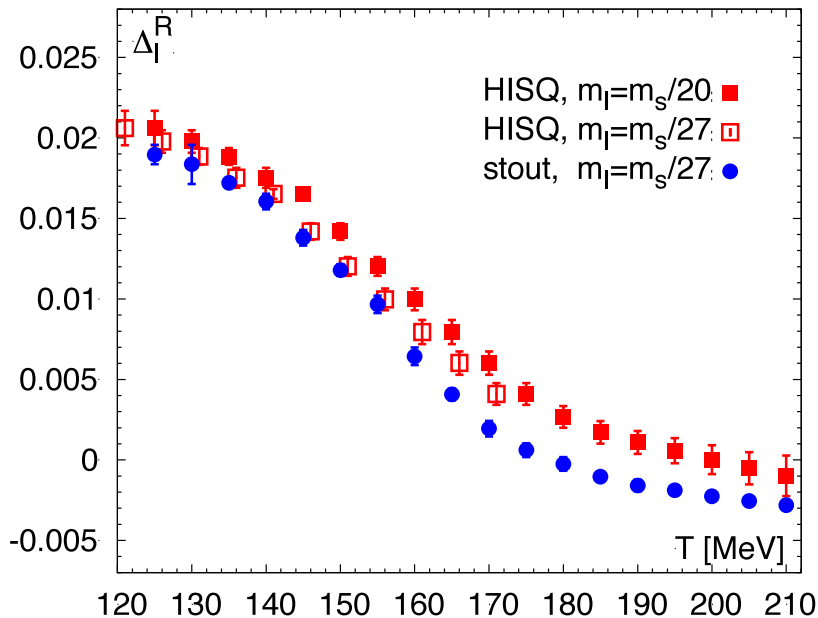
The temperature dependence of chiral condensate

Renormalized chiral condensate introduced by Budapest-Wuppertal collaboration

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_q \Rightarrow \Delta_q^R(T) = m_s r_1^4 \left(\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{q,T} - \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{q,T=0} \right) + d, \quad q = l, s$$

with our choice : $d = \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{m_q=0}^{T=0}$

HotQCD : Phys. Rev. D85 (2012) 054503;
Bazavov, PP, RRD 87(2013) 094505



- after extrapolation to the continuum limit and physical quark mass HISQ/tree calculation agree with stout results
- strange quark condensate does not show a rapid change at the chiral crossover => strange quark do not play a role in the chiral transition

O(N) scaling and the chiral transition temperature

For sufficiently small m_l and in the vicinity of the transition temperature:

$$f(T, m_l) = -\frac{T}{V} \ln Z = f_{reg}(T, m_l) + f_s(t, h), \quad t = \frac{1}{t_0} \left(\frac{T - T_c^0}{T_c^0} + \kappa \frac{\mu_q^2}{T^2} \right), \quad H = \frac{m_l}{m_s}, \quad h = \frac{H}{h_0}$$

governed by universal $O(4)$ scaling $M = -\frac{\partial f_s(t, h)}{\partial H} = h^{1/\delta} f_G(z), \quad z = t/h^{1/\beta\delta}$

T_c^0 is critical temperature in the mass-less limit, h_0 and t_0 are scale parameters

Pseudo-critical temperatures for non-zero quark mass are defined as peaks in the response functions (susceptibilities) :

$$\chi_{m,l} = \frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial^2 \ln Z}{\partial m_l^2} \sim m_l^{1/\delta-1} \quad \chi_{t,l} = \frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial^2 \ln Z}{\partial m_l \partial t} \sim m_l^{\frac{\beta-1}{\beta\delta}} \quad \chi_{t,t} = \frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial^2 \ln Z}{\partial t^2} \sim |t|^{-\alpha}$$

\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow
 $T_{m,l} = T_{t,l} = T_{t,t} = T_c^0$
in the zero quark mass limit

$$\frac{\chi_{l,m}}{T^2} = \frac{T^2}{m_s^2} \left(\frac{1}{h_0} h^{1/\delta-1} f_\chi(z) + reg. \right)$$

universal scaling function has a peak at $z=z_p$



$$T_c(H) = T_{m,l} = T_c^0 + T_c^0 \frac{z_p}{z_0} H^{1/(\beta\delta)} + \dots$$

Caveat : staggered fermions O(2)
 $m_l \rightarrow 0, a > 0,$
 proper limit $a \rightarrow 0,$ before $m_l \rightarrow 0$

O(N) scaling and the transition temperature

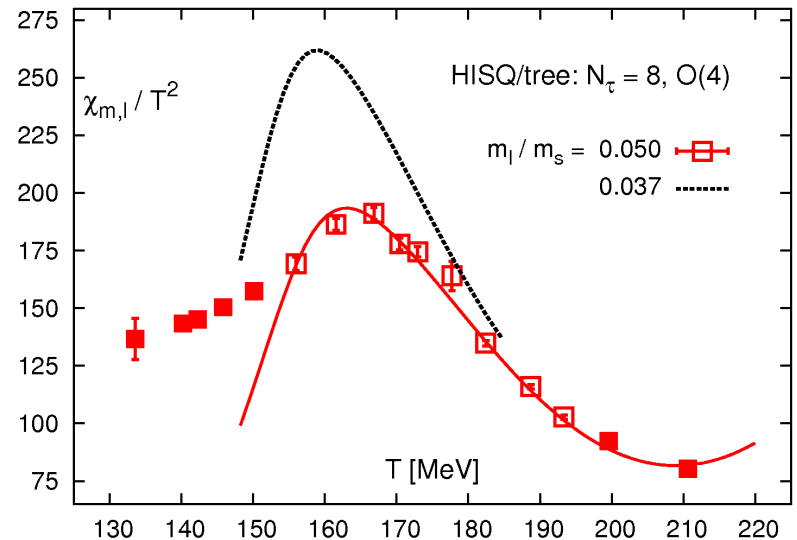
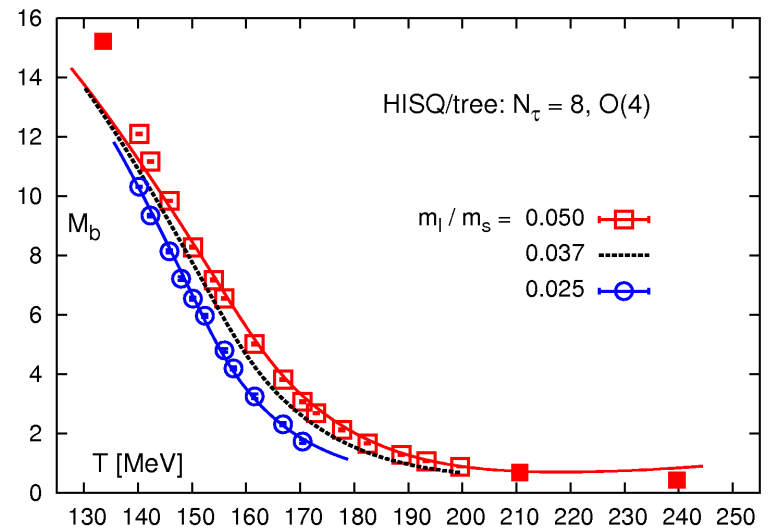
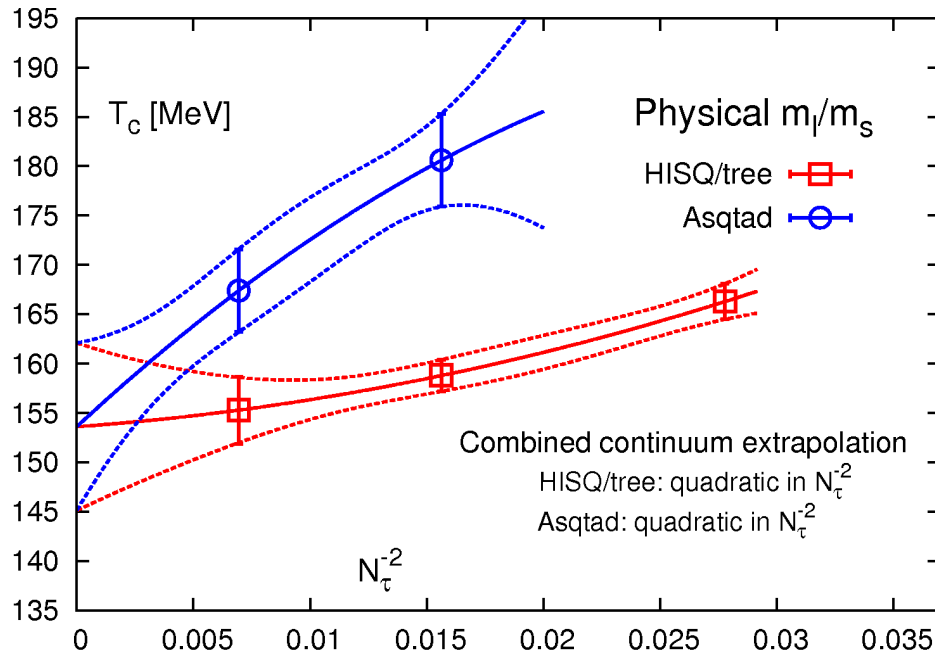
The notion of the transition temperature is only useful if it can be related to the critical temperature in the chiral limit : fit the lattice data on the chiral condensate with scaling form + simple Ansatz for the regular part

$$M_b = \frac{m_s \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle_l}{T^4} = h^{1/\delta} f_G(t/h^{1/\beta\delta}) + f_{M,reg}(T, H)$$

$$f_{reg}(T, H) = (a_1(T - T_c^0) + a_2(T - T_c^0)^2 + b_1)H$$

6 parameter fit : $T_c^0, t_0, h_0, a_1, a_2, b_1$

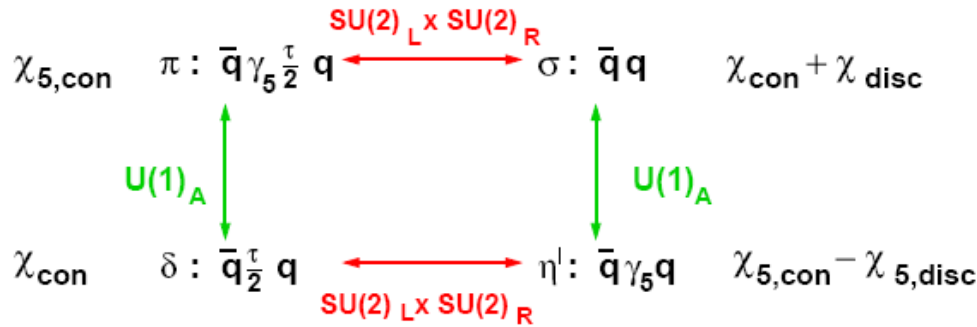
$$T_c = (154 \pm 8 \pm 1(\text{scale}))\text{MeV}$$



Domain wall Fermions and $U_A(1)$ symmetry restoration

Domain Wall Fermions, Bazavov et al (HotQCD), PRD86 (2012) 094503

$$\chi_i = \int d^4x G_i(x)$$



chiral:

$$\chi_\pi = \chi_\delta + \chi_{disc}$$

$$\chi_\delta = \chi_\pi - \chi_{5,disc}$$

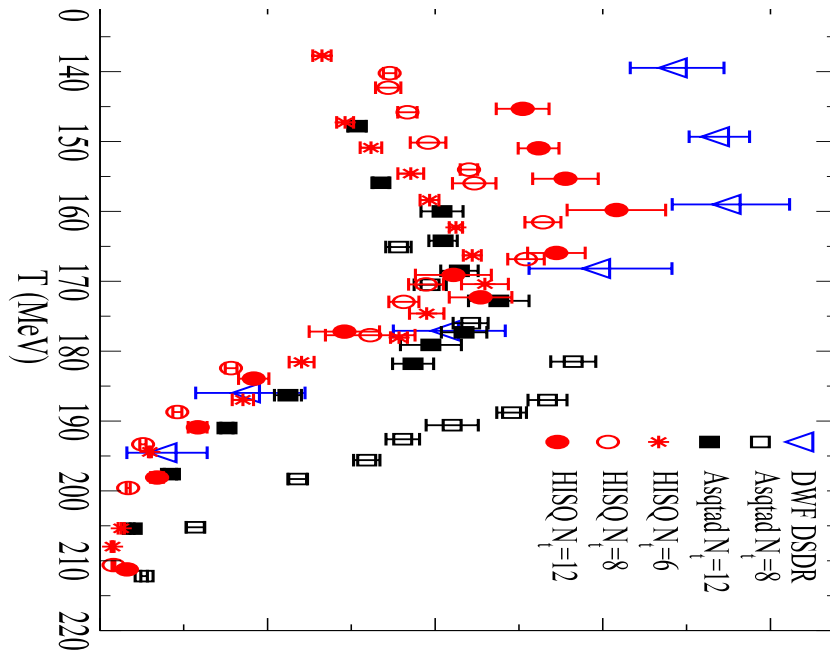
$$\chi_{disc} = \chi_{5,disc}$$

axial:

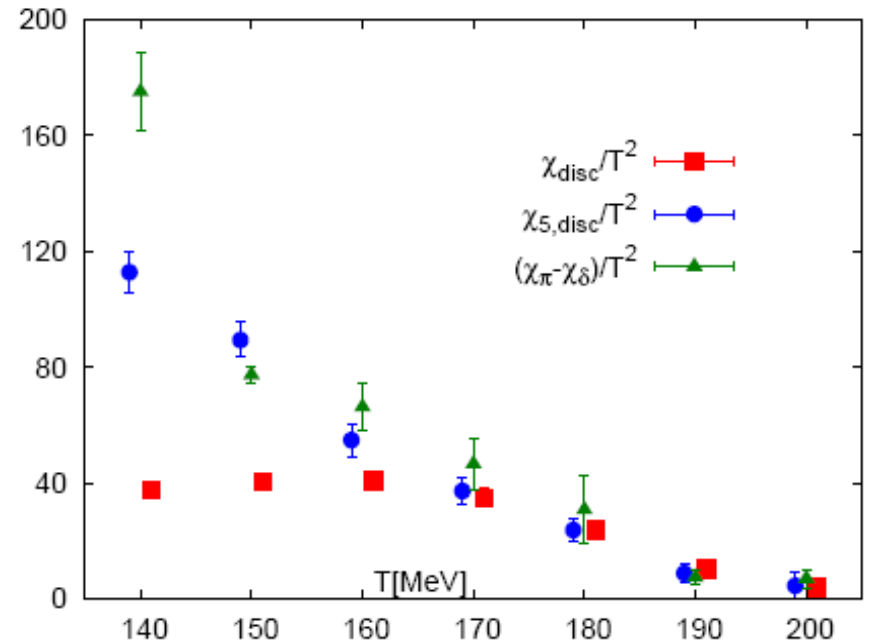
$$\chi_\pi = \chi_\delta$$

$$\chi_\delta + \chi_{disc} = \chi_\pi - \chi_{5,disc}$$

$$\chi_{disc} = -\chi_{5,disc}$$

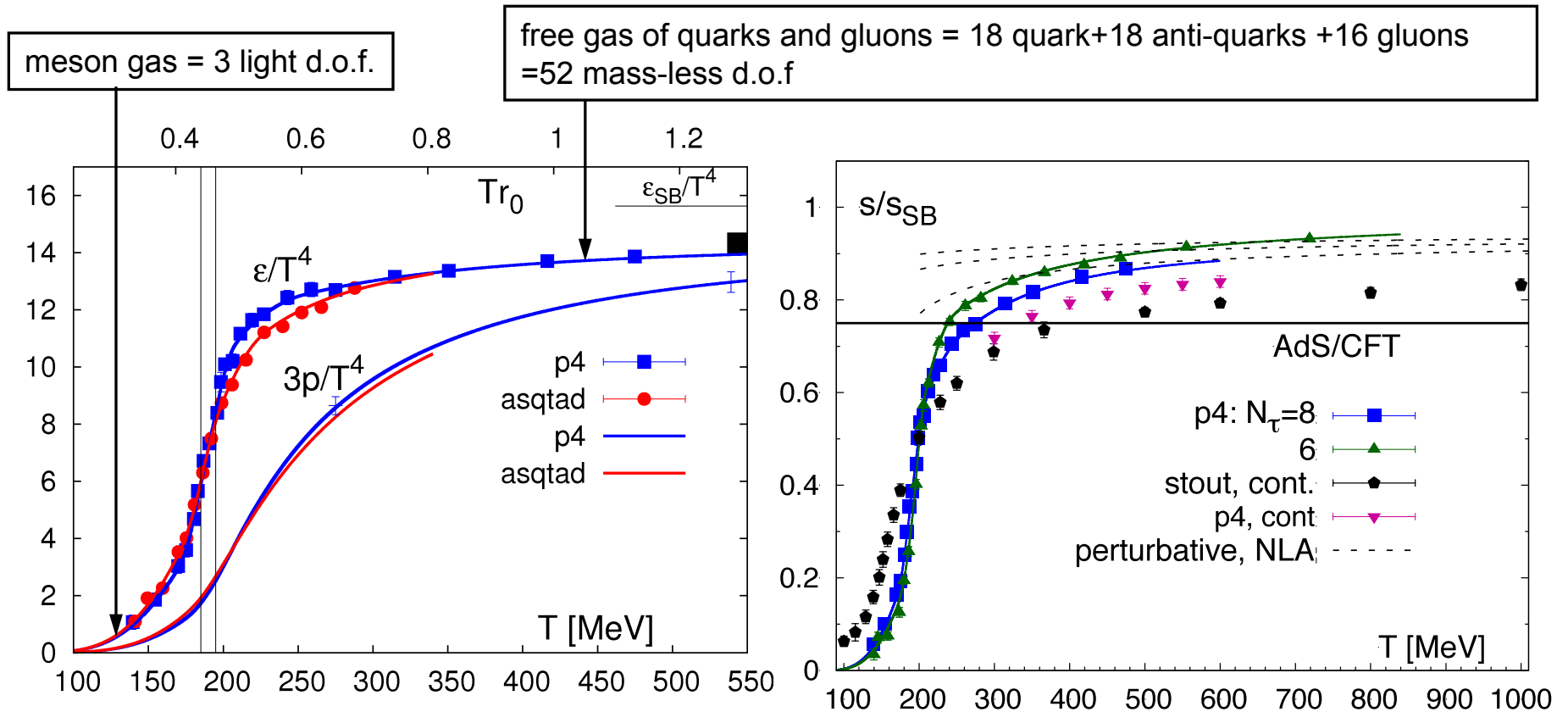


Peak position roughly agrees with previous staggered results



axial symmetry is till broken at $T=200$ MeV !

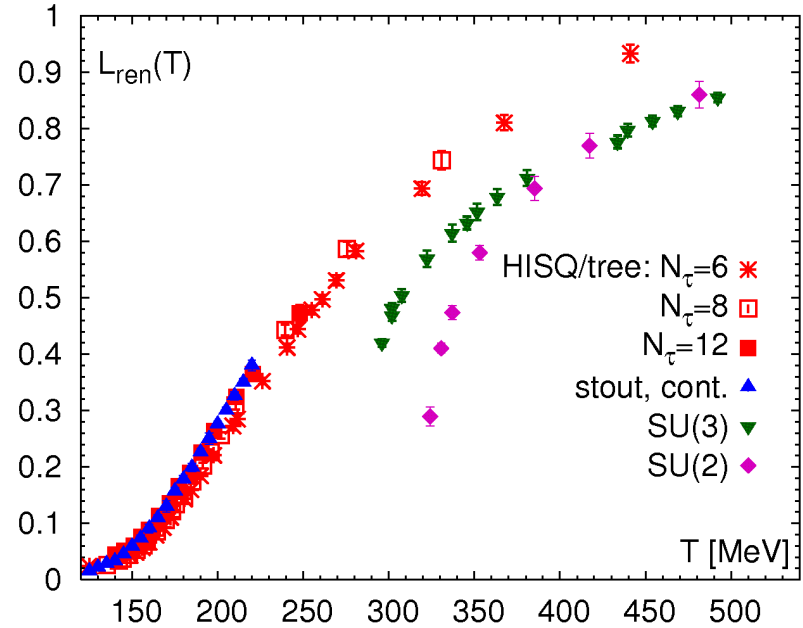
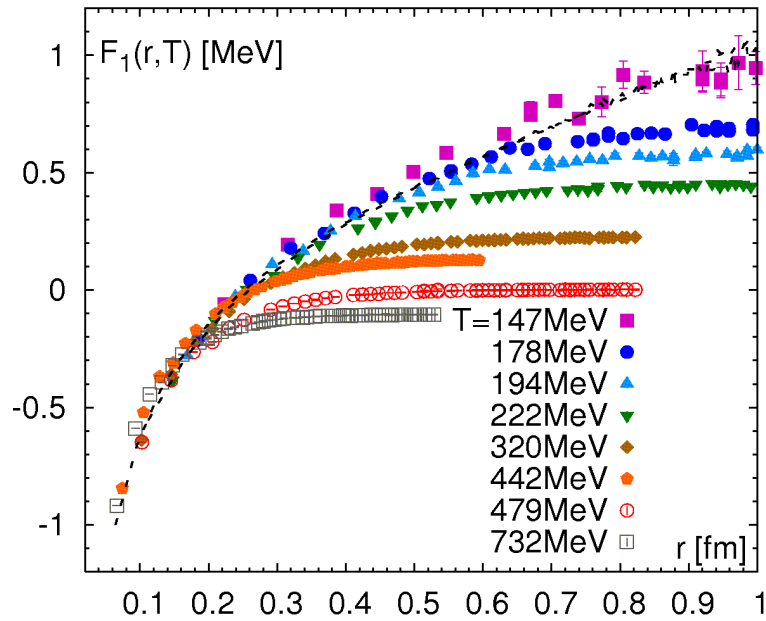
Equation of state



Bazavov et al (HotQCD), PRD 80 (09) 14504

- rapid change in the number of degrees of freedom at $T=160-200\text{MeV}$: **deconfinement**
- deviation from ideal gas limit is about **10-20%** at high T consistent with the perturbative result
- discrepancies between stout and $p4$ (asqtad) calculations
- energy density at the chiral transition temperature $\epsilon(T_c=154\text{MeV})=240 \text{ MeV}/\text{fm}^3$:

Deconfinement and color screening



free energy of static quark anti-quark pair shows Debye screening at high temperatures

$$L = \text{tr} \mathcal{P} e^{ig \int_0^{1/T} d\tau A_0(\tau, \vec{x})} \Rightarrow L_{ren} = \exp(-F_Q(T)/T)$$

Pure glue \neq QCD !

$$F_1(r) = -\frac{4\alpha_s}{3r} \exp(-m_D r) + 2F_Q(T), \quad m_D \sim T$$

$$F_Q(T) \simeq \Lambda_{QCD} - C_F \alpha_s m_D$$

infinite in the pure glue theory or large in the "hadronic" phase $\sim 600\text{MeV}$

melting of bound states of heavy quarks \Rightarrow quarkonium suppression at RHIC: $r_{bound} > 1/m_D$

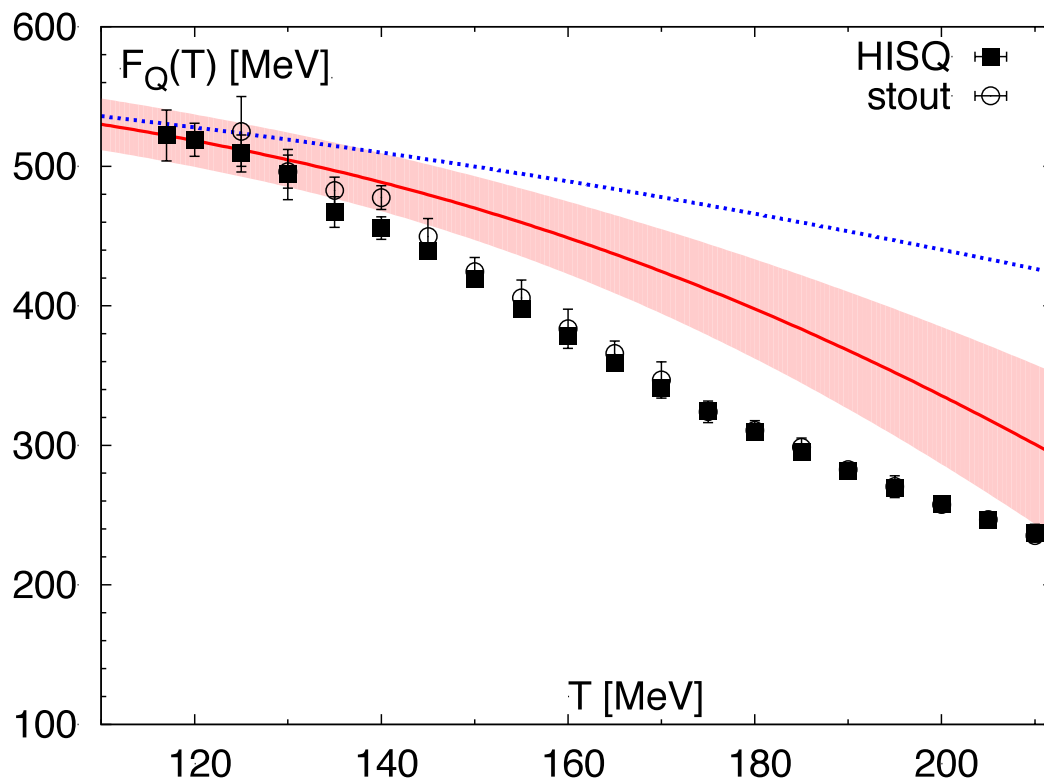
Decreases in the deconfined phase

Polyakov and gas of static-light hadrons

$$Z_{Q\bar{Q}}(T)/Z(T) = \sum_n \exp(-E_n^{Q\bar{Q}}(r \rightarrow \infty)/T)$$

Energies of static-light mesons: $E_n^{Q\bar{Q}}(r \rightarrow \infty) = M_n - m_Q$

Free energy of an isolated static quark: $F_Q(T) = -\frac{1}{2}(T \ln Z_{Q\bar{Q}}(T) - T \ln Z(T))$



Megias, Arriola, Salcedo,
PRL 109 (12) 151601

Bazavov, PP, PRD 87 (2013) 094505

Ground state and first excited states
are from lattice QCD

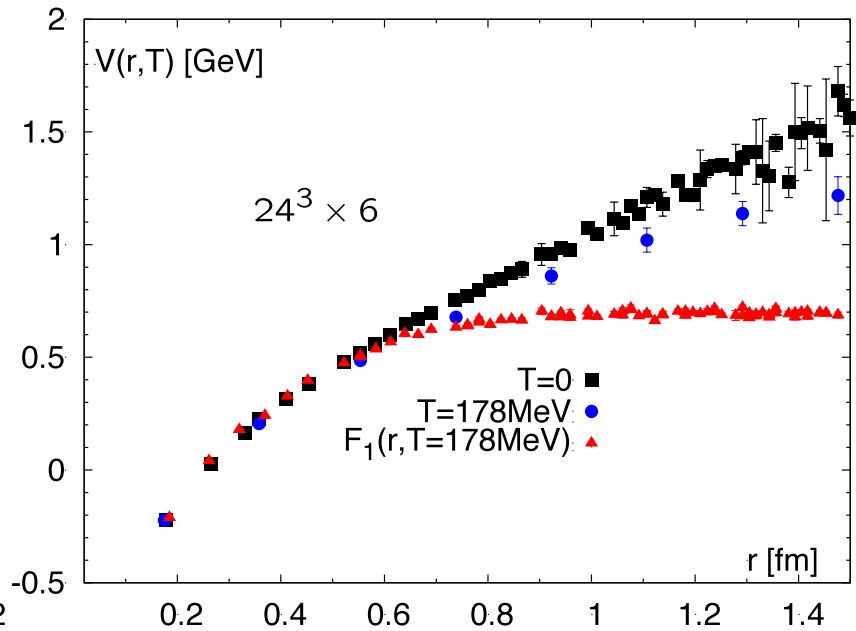
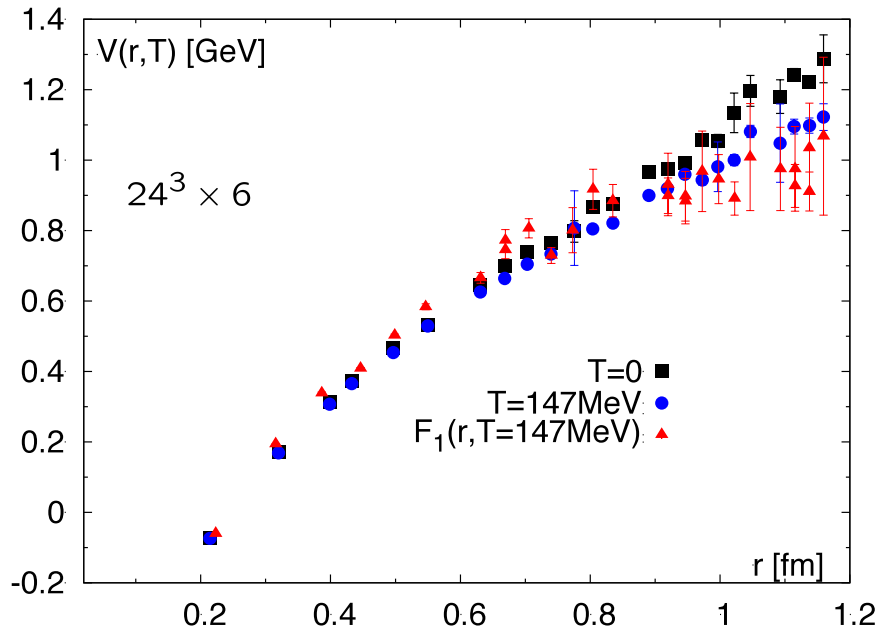
Michael, Shindler, Wagner,
arXiv1004.4235

Wagner, Wiese,
JHEP 1107 016,2011

Higher excited state energies
are estimated from potential model

**Gas of static-light mesons
only works for $T < 145$ MeV**

Extracting the potential at $T > 0$

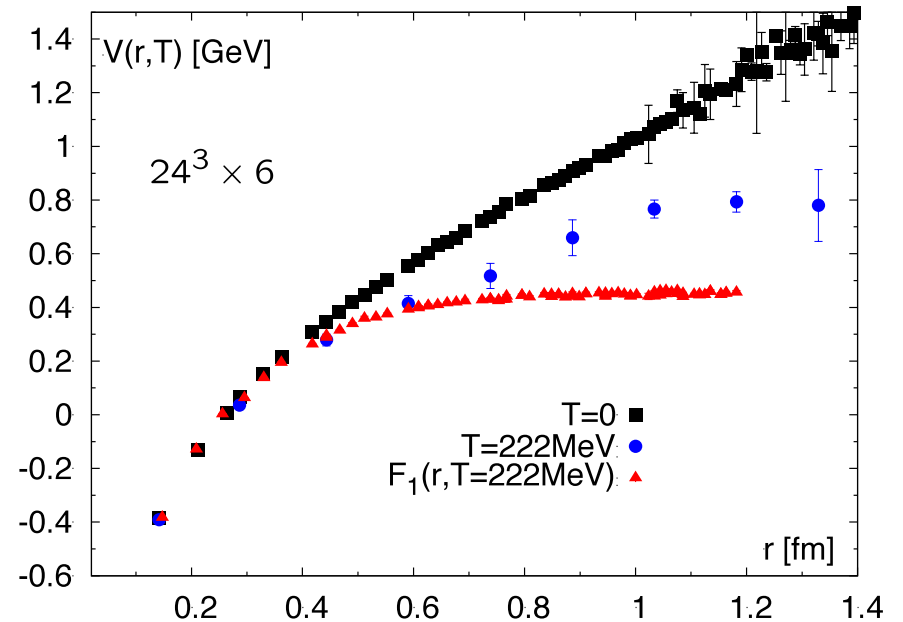


Bazavov, PP, arXiv:1210.6314

- Calculation of the Wilson loops at $T > 0$ + single state dominance \Rightarrow static quark potential $V(r,T)$

- for $T=147$ MeV the potential is the same as at $T=0$ and agrees with the singlet free energy

- for 150 MeV $< T < 200$ MeV the potential only slightly differs from the $T=0$ potential and much larger than the singlet free energy, only for $T > 200$ MeV it is screened



QCD thermodynamics at non-zero chemical potential

Taylor expansion :

$$\frac{p(T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S)}{T^4} = \sum_{i,j,k} \frac{1}{i!j!k!} \chi_{ijk}^{BQS} \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^i \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_Q}{T}\right)^j \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_S}{T}\right)^k \quad \text{hadronic}$$

$$\frac{p(T, \mu_u, \mu_d, \mu_s)}{T^4} = \sum_{i,j,k} \frac{1}{i!j!k!} \chi_{ijk}^{uds} \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_u}{T}\right)^i \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_d}{T}\right)^j \cdot \left(\frac{\mu_s}{T}\right)^k \quad \text{quark}$$

$$\chi_{ijk}^{abc} = T^{i+j+k} \frac{\partial^i}{\partial \mu_a^i} \frac{\partial^j}{\partial \mu_b^j} \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \mu_c^k} \frac{1}{VT^3} \ln Z(T, V, \mu_a, \mu_b, \mu_c) \Big|_{\mu_a=\mu_b=\mu_c=0}$$

Taylor expansion coefficients give the fluctuations and correlations of conserved charges, e.g.

$$\chi_2^X = \chi_X = \frac{1}{VT^3} (\langle X^2 \rangle - \langle X \rangle^2) \quad \chi_{11}^{XY} = \frac{1}{VT^3} (\langle XY \rangle - \langle X \rangle \langle Y \rangle)$$

Computation of Taylor expansion coefficients reduces to calculating the product of inverse fermion matrix with different source vectors => **can be done effectively on GPUs**

Deconfinement : fluctuations of conserved charges

$$\chi_B^{SB} = \frac{1}{VT^3} (\langle B^2 \rangle - \langle B \rangle^2)$$

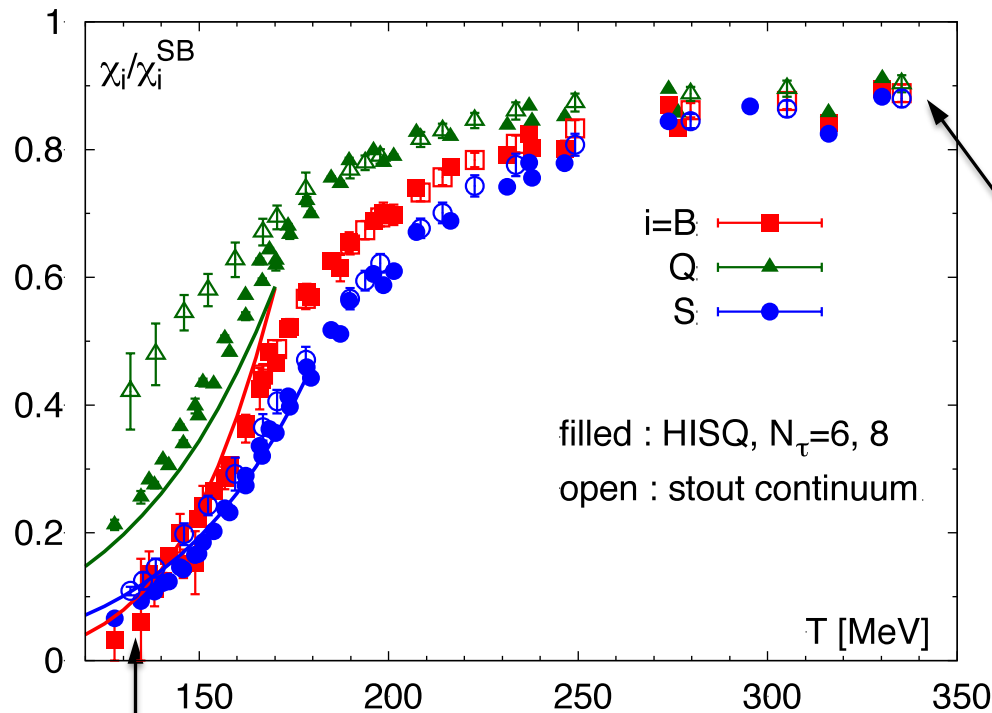
baryon number

$$\chi_Q^{SB} = \frac{1}{VT^3} (\langle Q^2 \rangle - \langle Q \rangle^2)$$

electric charge

$$\chi_S^{SB} = \frac{1}{VT^3} (\langle S^2 \rangle - \langle S \rangle^2)$$

strangeness



Ideal gas of massless quarks :

$$\chi_B^{SB} = \frac{1}{3} \quad \chi_Q^{SB} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\chi_S^{SB} = 1$$

conserved charges carried by light quarks

HotQCD: PRD86 (2012) 034509

BW: JHEP 1201 (2012) 138,

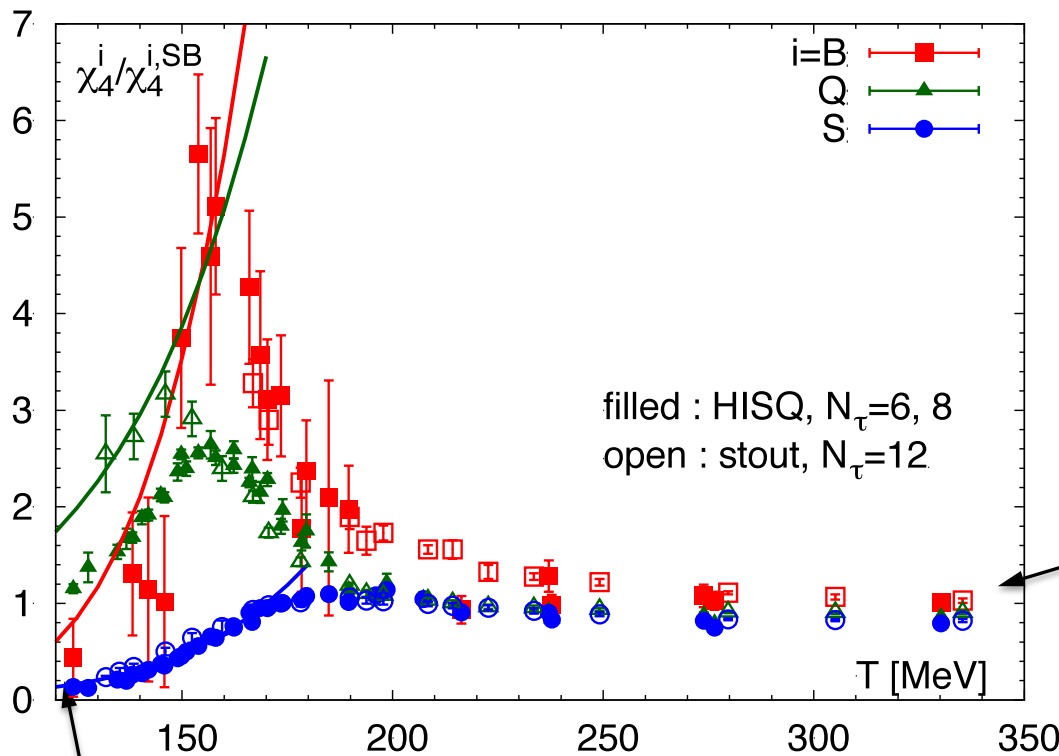
conserved charges are carried by massive hadrons

Deconfinement : fluctuations of conserved charges

$$\chi_4^B = \frac{1}{VT^3} (\langle B^4 \rangle - 3\langle B^2 \rangle^2) \quad \text{baryon number}$$

$$\chi_4^Q = \frac{1}{VT^3} (\langle Q^4 \rangle - 3\langle Q^2 \rangle^2) \quad \text{electric charge}$$

$$\chi_4^S = \frac{1}{VT^3} (\langle S^4 \rangle - 3\langle S^2 \rangle^2) \quad \text{strangeness}$$



Ideal gas of massless quarks :

$$\chi_{4 \text{ SB}}^B = \frac{2}{9\pi^2} \quad \chi_{4 \text{ SB}}^Q = \frac{4}{3\pi^2}$$

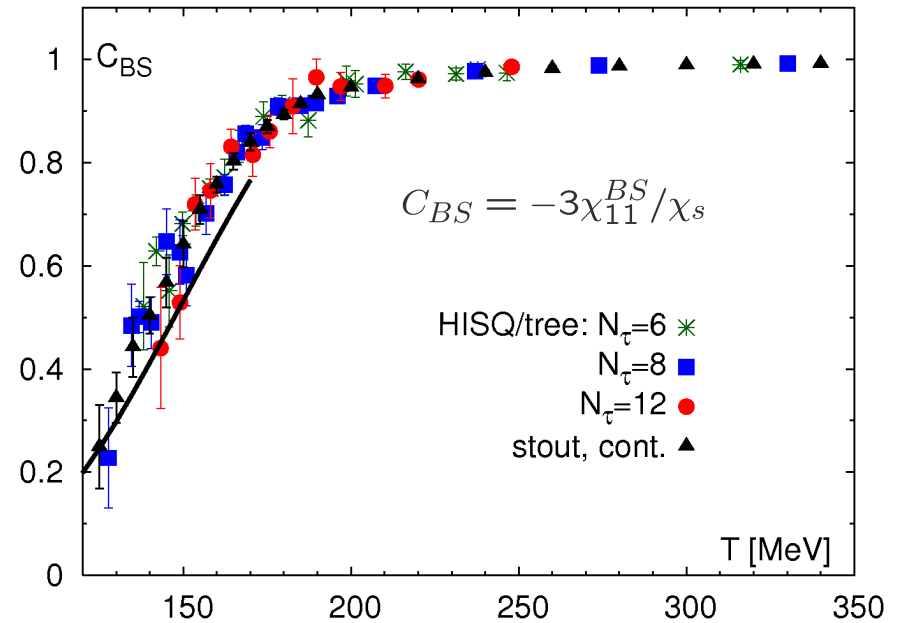
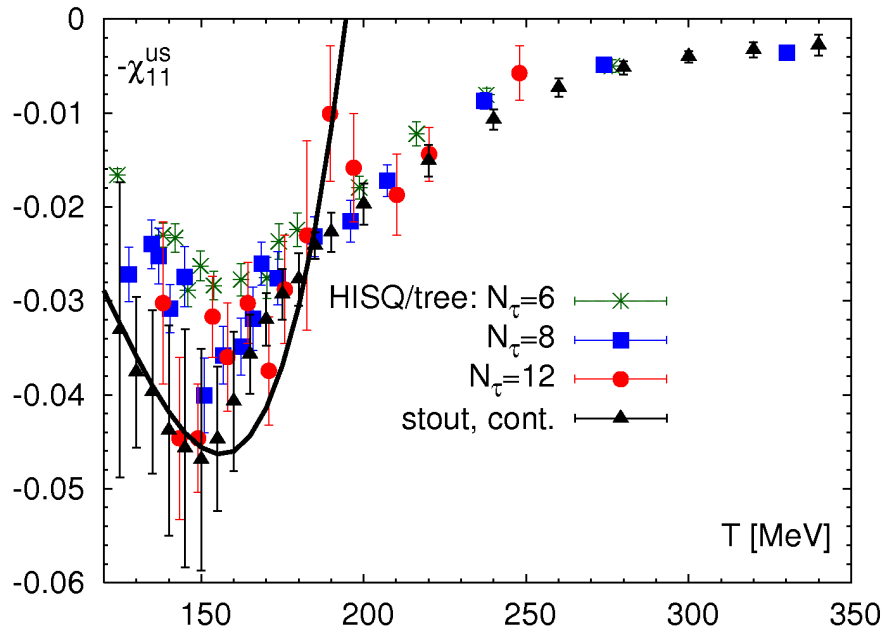
$$\chi_{4 \text{ SB}}^S = \frac{6}{\pi^2}$$

conserved charges carried by light quarks

BNL-Bielefeld : talk by C. Schmidt
 BW: talk by Borsanyi
 @ Confinement X conference

conserved charges are carried by massive hadrons

Correlations of conserved charges



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- Correlations between strange and light quarks at low T are due to the fact that strange hadrons contain both strange and light quarks but very small at high T (>250 MeV)
=> weakly interacting quark gas
- For baryon-strangeness correlations HISQ results are close to the physical HRG result, at $T>250$ MeV these correlations are very close to the ideal gas value
- The transition region where degrees of freedom change from hadronic to quark-like is broad $\sim (100-150)$ MeV

Deconfinement of strangeness

Partial pressure of strange hadrons in uncorrelated hadron gas:

$$P_S = \frac{p(T) - p_{S=0}(T)}{T^4} M(T) \cosh\left(\frac{\mu_S}{T}\right) + B_{S=1}(T) \cosh\left(\frac{\mu_B - \mu_S}{T}\right) + B_{S=2}(T) \cosh\left(\frac{\mu_B - 2\mu_S}{T}\right) + B_{S=3}(T) \cosh\left(\frac{\mu_B - 3\mu_S}{T}\right)$$



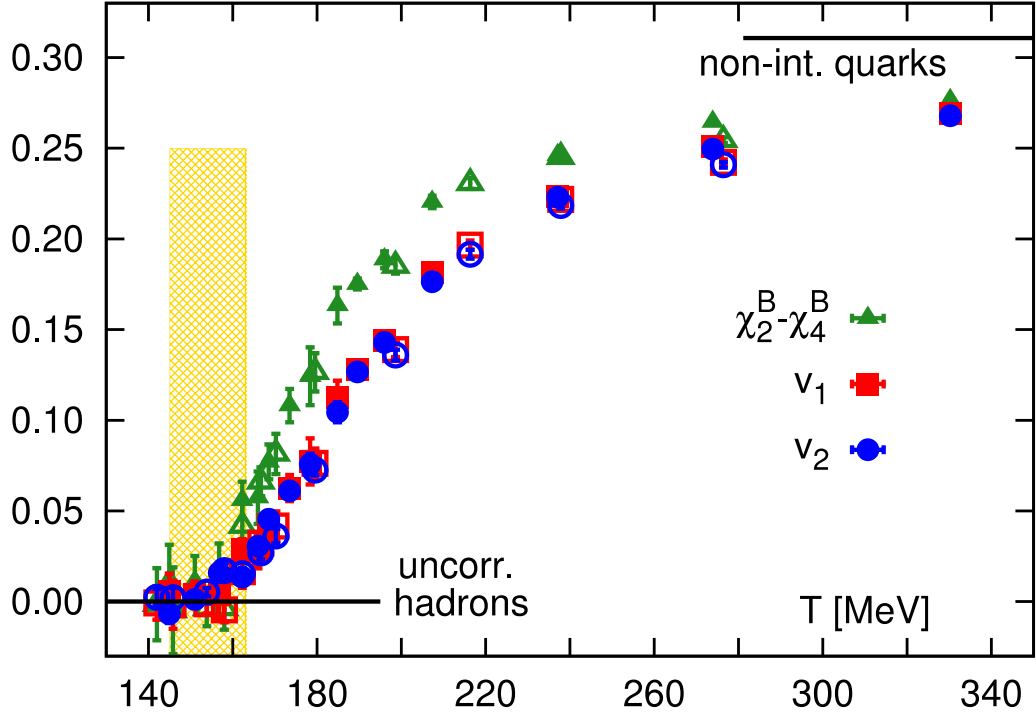
$$v_1 = \chi_{31}^{BS} - \chi_{11}^{BS}$$

$$v_2 = \frac{1}{3} (\chi_4^S - \chi_2^S) - 2\chi_{13}^{BS} - 4\chi_{22}^{BS} - 2\chi_{31}^{BS}$$

should vanish !

- v_1 and v_2 do vanish within errors at low T
- v_1 and v_2 rapidly increase above the transition region, eventually reaching non-interacting quark gas values

BNL-Bielefeld, arXiv:1304.7220



Deconfinement of strangeness (cont'd)

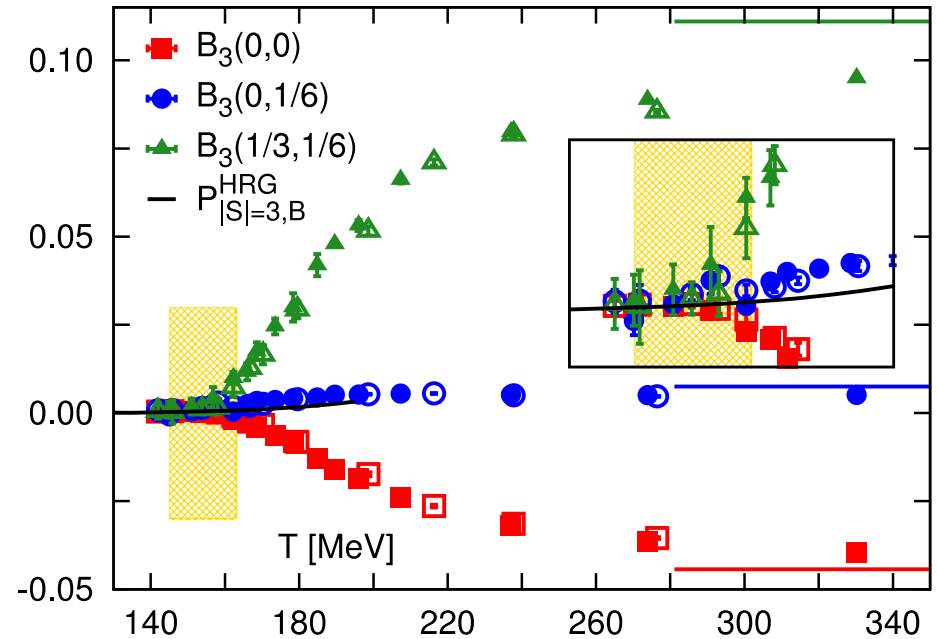
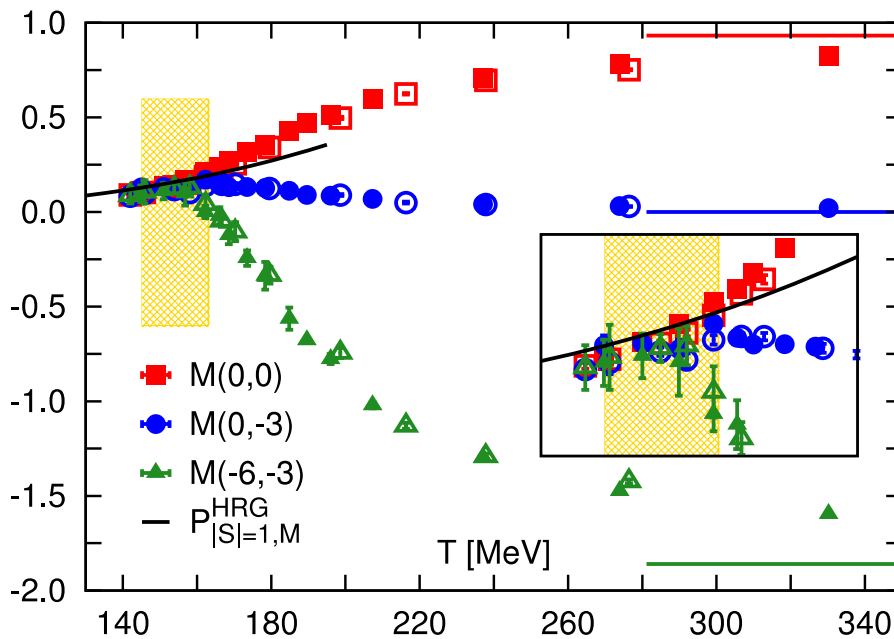
Using the six Taylor expansion coefficients related to strangeness

$$\chi_2^S, \chi_4^S, \chi_{13}^{BS}, \chi_{22}^{BS}, \chi_{31}^{BS}$$

it is possible to construct combinations that give

$$M(T), B_{S=1}(T), B_{S=2}(T), B_{S=3}(T)$$

up to terms $c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2$



Hadron resonance gas descriptions breaks down for all strangeness sectors above T_c

BNL-Bielefeld, arXiv:1304.7220

Quark number fluctuations at high T

At high temperatures quark number fluctuations can be described by weak coupling approach due to asymptotic freedom of QCD

2nd order quark number fluctuations

4th order quark number fluctuations

Andersen, Mogliacci, Su, Vuorinen, PRD87 (2013) 074003

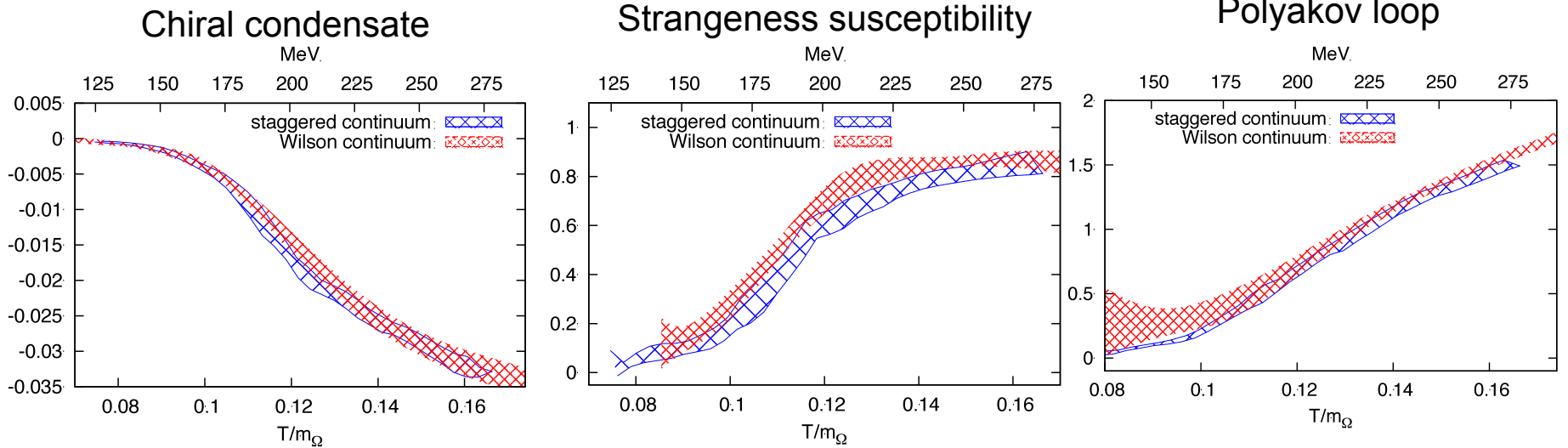
- Lattice results converge as the continuum limit is approached
- Good agreement between lattice and the weak coupling approach for 2nd order quark number fluctuations
- For 4th order the weak coupling results are in reasonable agreement with lattice

Summary

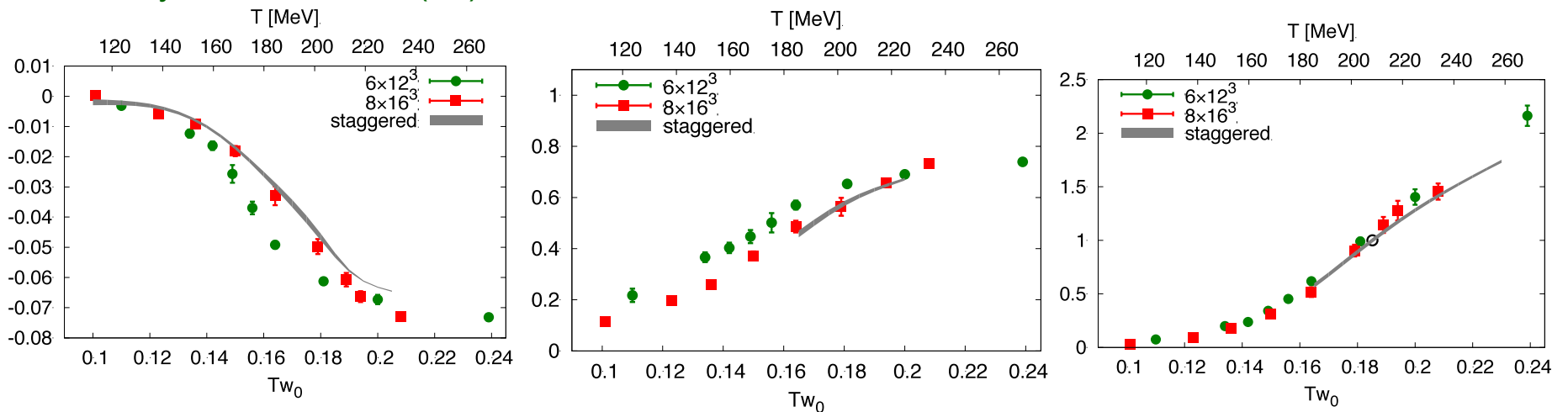
- Lattice QCD show that at high temperatures strongly interacting matter undergoes a transition to a new state **QGP** characterized by **deconfinement** and **chiral symmetry restoration**
- We see evidence that provide evidence that the relevant degrees of freedom are quarks and gluons; lattice results agree well with perturbative calculations, while at low T thermodynamics can be understood in terms of hadron resonance gas. The deconfinement transition can be understood as transition from hadron resonance gas to quark gluon gas, it starts at around the chiral crossover but it is very gradual, including for strangeness
- The chiral aspects of the transition are very similar to the transition in spin system in external magnetic fields: it is governed by universal scaling. Different calculations with improved staggered actions agree in the continuum limit resulting in a chiral transition temperature $(154 \pm 9) \text{ MeV}$
- The effective restoration of $U_A(1)$ symmetry happens for $T > 200 \text{ MeV}$ and thus does not affect the chiral transition
- Color screening can be seen at temperatures $T > 200 \text{ MeV}$

Staggered versus Wilson and Overlap Fermions

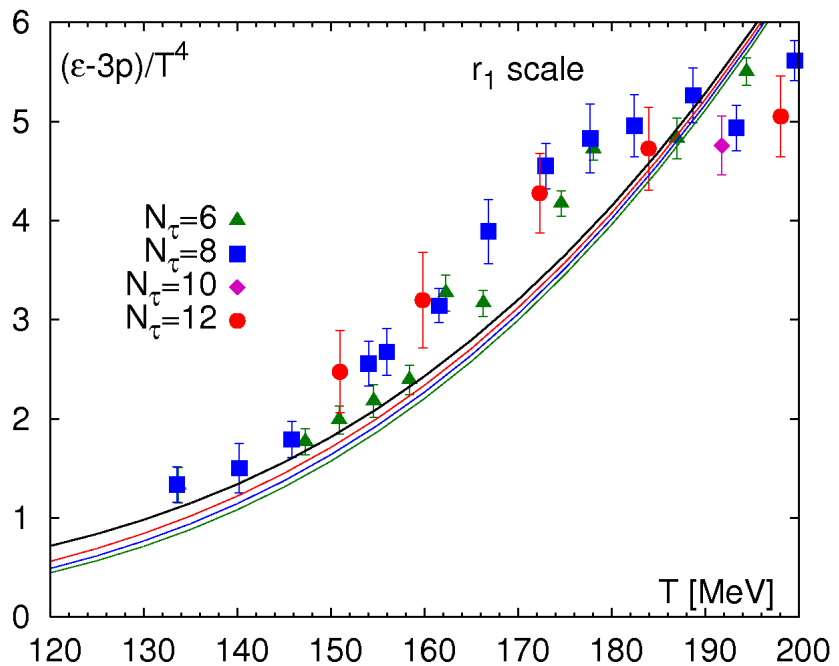
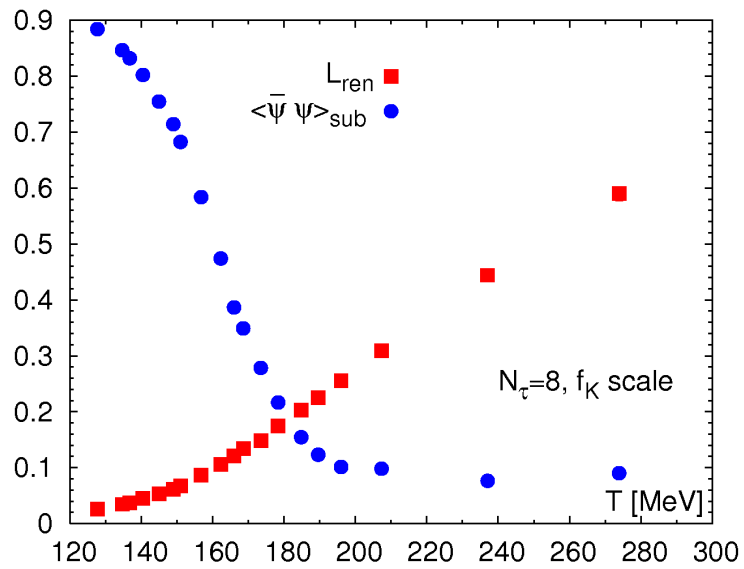
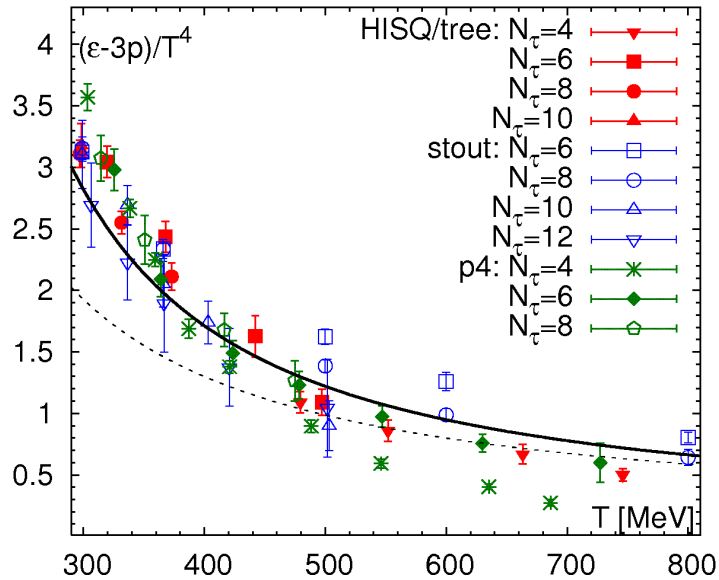
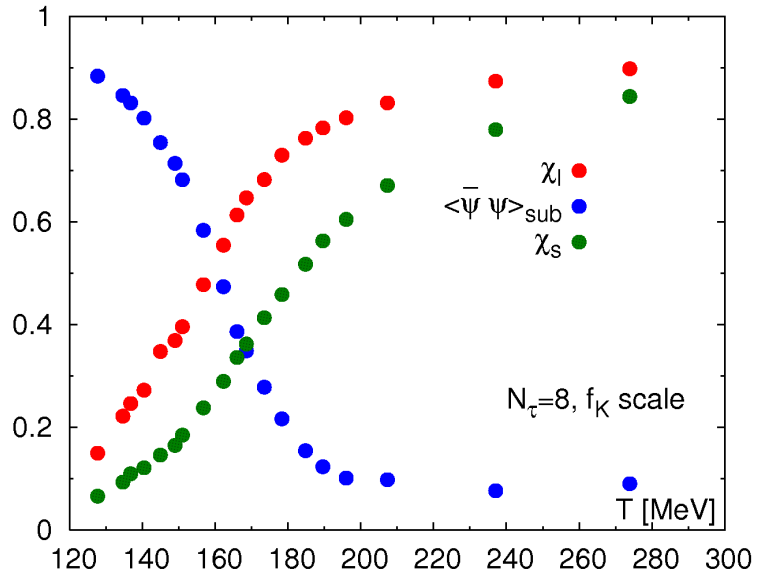
Comparison with Wilson Fermion calculations, $m_\pi \approx 500$ MeV,
 Borsányi et al, arXiv:1205.0440



Comparison with overlap Fermion calculations, $m_\pi \approx 350$ MeV
 Borsányi et al, PLB713 (12) 342



Back-up:



Improved staggered calculations at finite temperature

low T region
 $T < 200 \text{ MeV}$

$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^n (a\Lambda_{QCD})^2)$ errors

$a > 0.125 \text{ fm}$

hadronic degrees of freedom
 improvement of the flavor
 symmetry is \rightarrow fat links
 important

cutoff effects are different in :

$$a = 1/(TN_\tau)$$

$$N_\tau = 8$$

for #flavors < 4
 rooting trick

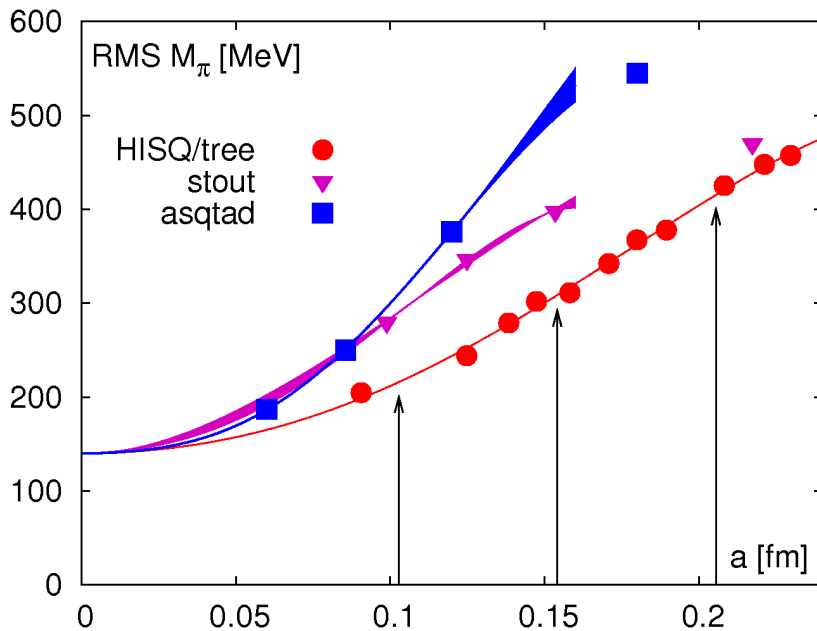
$$\det D \rightarrow (\det D)^{\frac{n_f}{4}}$$

high-T region
 $T > 200 \text{ MeV}$

$\mathcal{O}((aT)^2)$ errors

$a < 0.125 \text{ fm}$

quark degrees of freedom
 quark dispersion relation



p4, asqtad, HISQ, stout

