

Revisiting Yang-Mills thermodynamics: role of the Polyakov loop

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Why QCD matter under extreme conditions?

- **the origin of hadron masses**

- disentangle the mechanism of the mass generation by reversing the process! \Rightarrow dynamical “disappearance” of the mass
- **heated**: going backward in time in the evolution of **the Universe**
- **compressed**: several times of the nuclear matter density
 ~ **interior of compact stars**

- **interplay between chiral dynamics and color confinement**

- **Lattice QCD at small μ/T** : no true phase transition but **crossover**
- which takes place first? **at $\mu \neq 0$ LQCD is not accessible.**

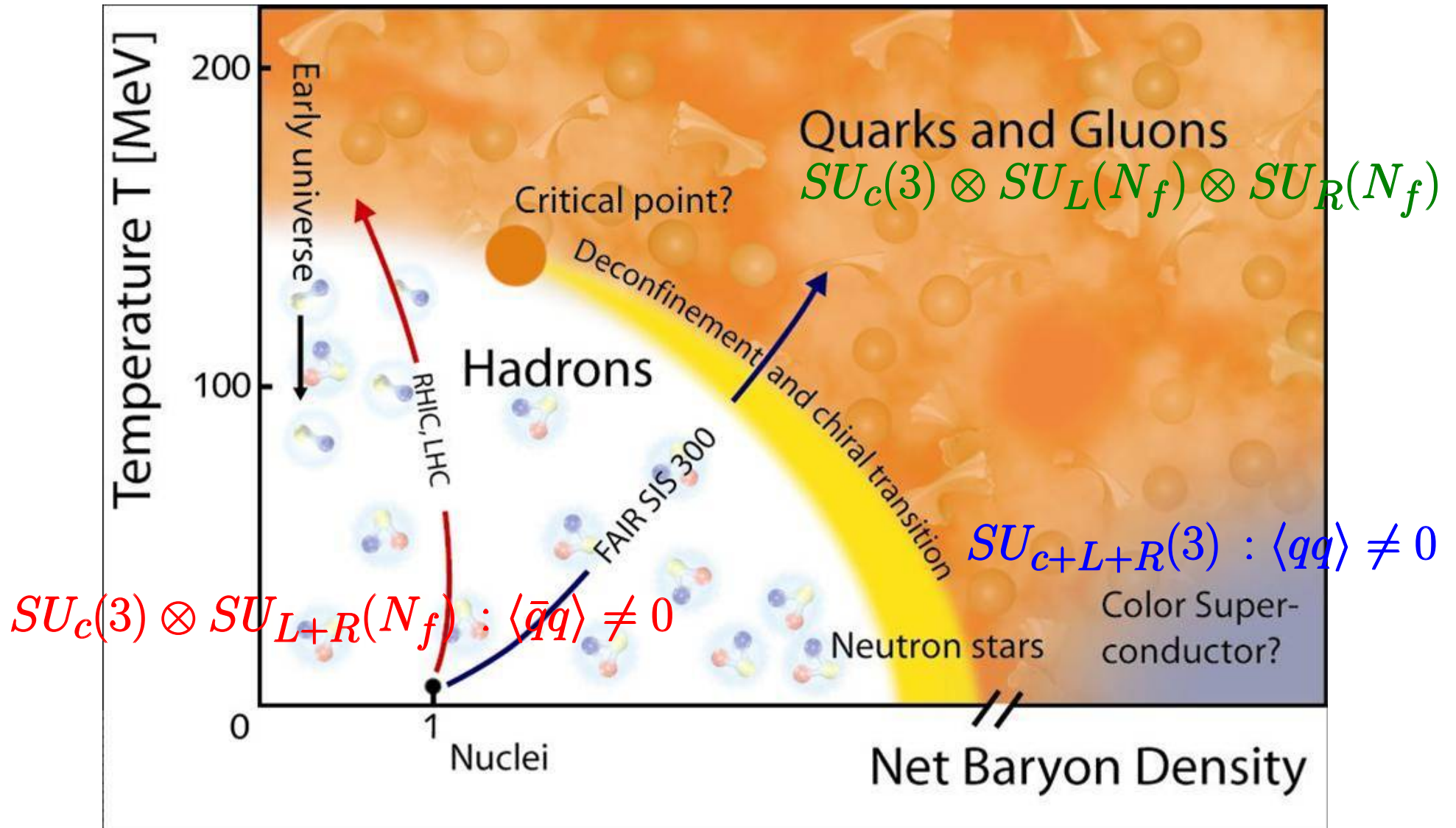
- **compact stars and EoS**

- hadronic vs. quark matter in their interior? — hadron physics territory!

- **accessible in current and future experiments**

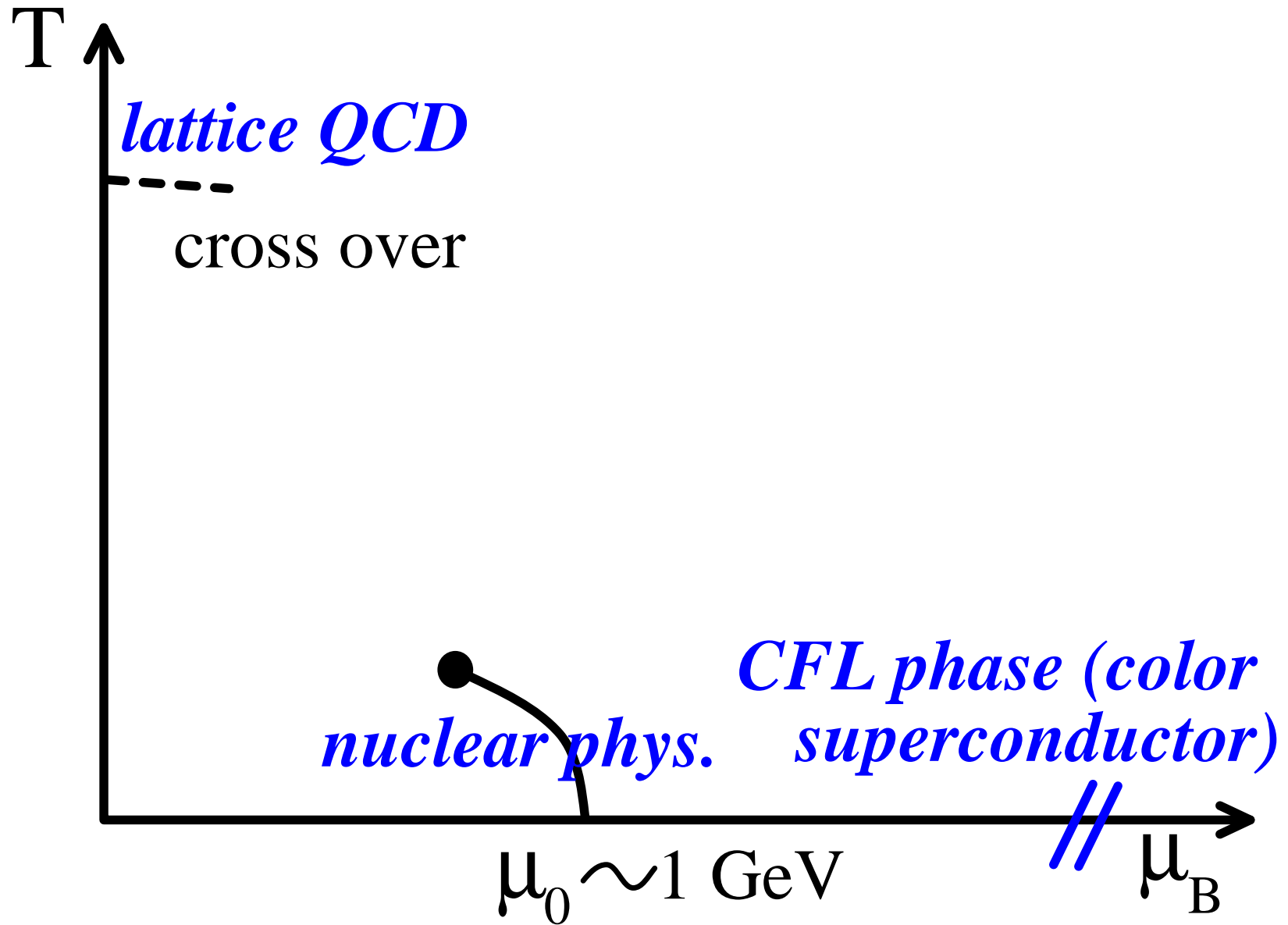
- hot matter: RHIC (BNL), SPS, LHC (CERN)
- dense matter: FAIR (GSI), NICA (Dubna), J-PARC (Tokai)

- the QCD phase diagram...?



from <http://www.gsi.de/fair/overview/research/>

- ... but actually what we know is



Outline

- Introduction: modeling YM/QCD thermodynamics
 - quasi-particle approach
 - Nambu–Jona-Lasinio/quark-meson models with Polyakov loops
- How do gluons and Polyakov-loops live together?
- A hybrid approach: dilatons as glueballs
- Issues:
 - non-perturbative effect above T_c :
 - * interaction measure, effective gluon mass
 - * electric vs. magnetic gluons \Leftrightarrow Polyakov loops vs. dilatons
 - introducing fermions

I. Introduction

Model approaches for QCD thermodynamics

- **quasi-particle model** [Peshier et al., (96), Levai-Heinz (97)]

– “dressed” gluons and quarks following the dispersion relation:

$$\omega^2 = \vec{k}^2 + m^2(T)$$

entropy density (ideal-gas form):

$$s = \frac{d}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dk f_B \frac{k^2}{E} \left(\frac{4}{3} k^2 + m^2 \right)$$

pressure and energy density:

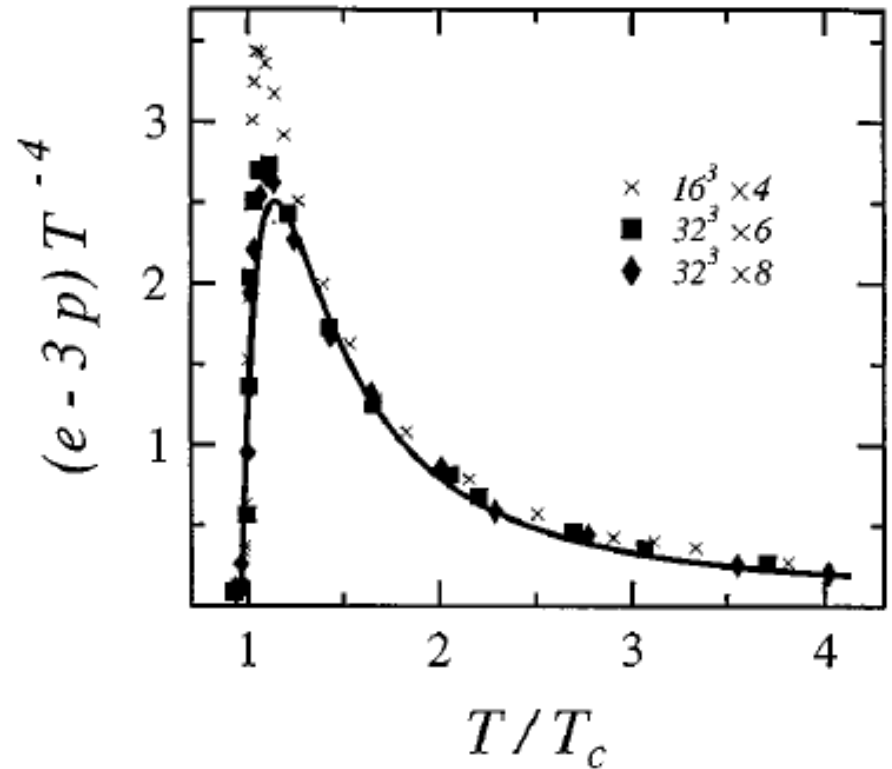
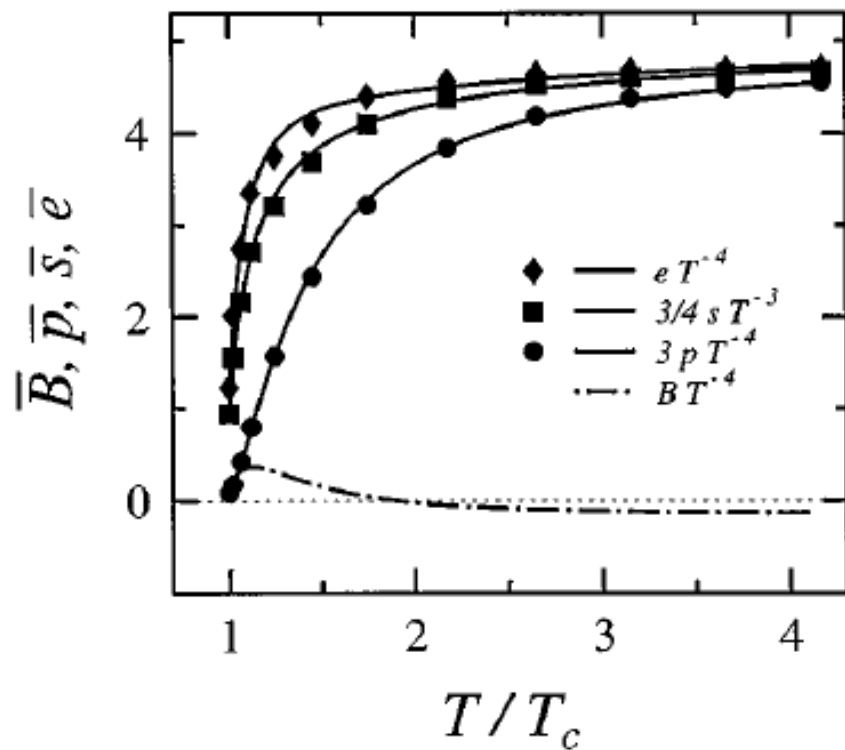
$$p = \frac{d}{6\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dk f_B \frac{k^4}{E} - B(T),$$
$$\epsilon = \frac{d}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dk f_B k^2 E + B(T).$$

thus thermodynamic law $\epsilon + p = Ts$ fulfilled.

$$B(T) = B_0 - \frac{d}{4\pi^2} \int_{T_0}^T d\tau \frac{dm^2(\tau)}{d\tau} \int_0^\infty \frac{dk k^2 f_B}{E}.$$

$$m^2(T) = \frac{N_c}{6} G^2(T) T^2, \quad G(T) \sim 1/\ln(T/T_c).$$

– fitting lattice EOS



– confinement?

● **Polyakov-loop model** [Pisarski (00)]

– $Z(N_c)$ symmetries

$$\Omega_c = e^{i\phi} \mathbf{1}, \quad \text{and} \quad \det \Omega_c = 1$$

$$\phi = \frac{2\pi j}{N_c}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, (N_c - 1) : Z(N_c) \text{ symmetry}$$

Note: quark breaks $Z(N_c)$ explicitly.

– Polyakov loop ($A_4 = iA_0$)

$$\hat{L}(\vec{x}) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left[i \int_0^{1/T} d\tau A_4(\vec{x}, \tau) \right]$$

$$\Phi = \text{Tr} \hat{L} / N_c, \quad \bar{\Phi} = \text{Tr} \hat{L}^\dagger / N_c$$

* $\Phi \rightarrow e^{i\frac{2\pi j}{N_c}} \Phi$: its VEV is an order parameter of $Z(N_c)$ breaking

* heavy-quark potential [McLerran-Svetitsky (81)]

$$\langle \Phi(\vec{x}) \rangle \sim e^{-F_q(\vec{x})/T} \begin{cases} = 0 & \text{confined phase} \\ \neq 0 & \text{deconfined phase} \end{cases}$$

– effective potential: $\frac{\mathcal{U}}{T^4} = a\bar{\Phi}\Phi + b(\bar{\Phi}^3 + \Phi^3) + c(\bar{\Phi}\Phi)^2 + \dots$

• **NJL with Polyakov loops** [Meisinger-Ogilvie (96), Fukushima (03), Ratti et al. (06)]

– embedding Φ in a chiral framework

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{q} (i\cancel{\partial} - \cancel{A}) q + G (\bar{q}q)^2 - \mathcal{U}(\bar{\Phi}, \Phi), \quad A_\mu = \delta_{\mu 0} A^0$$

– constant background $A_0 \Rightarrow$ “chemical potential”

$$\mu \rightarrow \mu + iA_4$$

$$\Omega_q = -d_q T \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \text{Tr} \ln \left[1 + \hat{L}_F e^{-(E_q - \mu)/T} \right]$$

$$\hat{L}_F = \text{diag} \left(e^{i\phi_1}, e^{i\phi_2}, e^{-i(\phi_1 + \phi_2)} \right)$$

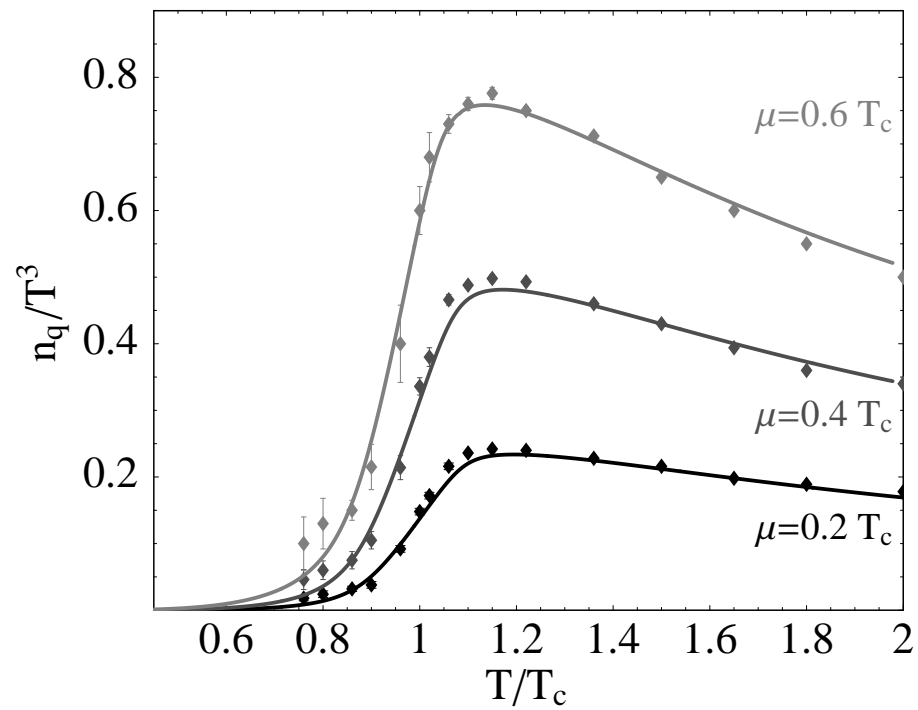
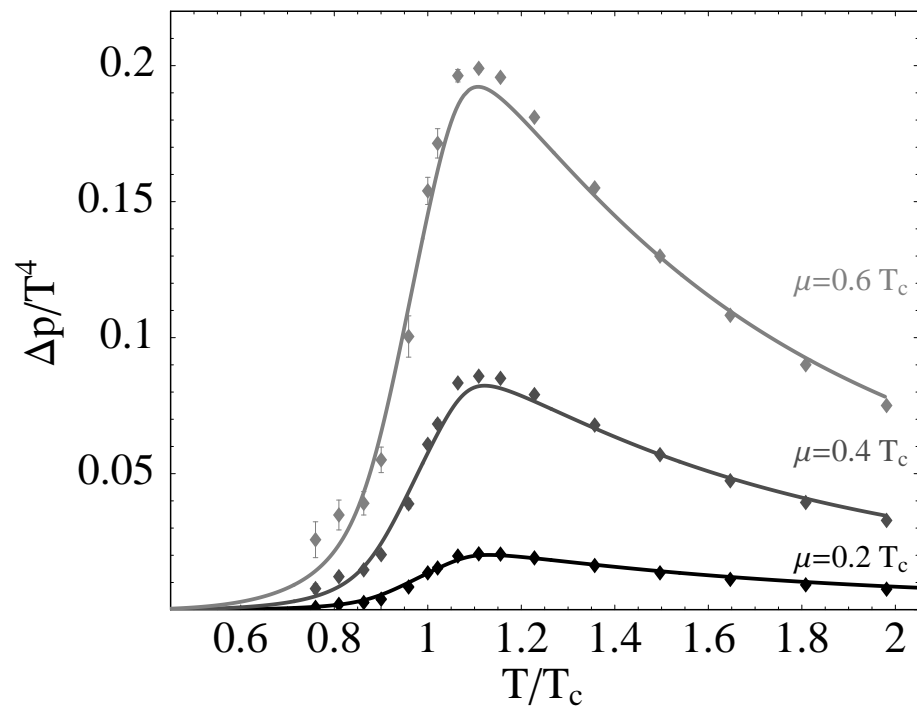
thus

$$\Omega_q = -d_q T \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left[1 + 3\Phi e^{-E_+/T} + 3\bar{\Phi} e^{-2E_+/T} + e^{-3E_+/T} \right]$$

– full thermodynamic potential

$$\Omega = \Omega_{q+\bar{q}}(M, \Phi, \bar{\Phi}; T, \mu) + V_{4F}(M) + \mathcal{U}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}; T)$$

[Ratti et al. (06)]



“Confinement” in PNJL/PQM models

- NJL/QM under a constant background A_0

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} = \bar{q} (i\cancel{D} - A_0) q \quad [\text{Meisinger-Ogilvie (96), Fukushima (03), Ratti-Thaler-Weise (06)}]$$
$$\Rightarrow \Omega_q = d_q T \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left[1 + 3\Phi e^{-E/T} + 3\Phi e^{-2E/T} + e^{-3E/T} \right]$$

$\langle \Phi \rangle \simeq 0$ at low T : 1- and 2-quark states thermodynamically irrelevant
 \Rightarrow mimicking confinement

- **pure gauge sector** of PNJL/PQM: $\Omega_g = T^4 \mathcal{U}(\Phi; T)$

– made based on $Z(3)$ symmetry:

$$\mathcal{U} = a(T) \bar{\Phi} \Phi + b(T) \left(\bar{\Phi}^3 + \Phi^3 \right) + c(T) \left(\bar{\Phi} \Phi \right)^2 + \dots$$

– T -dep. of coefficients \Leftrightarrow Lattice EoS **“bottom-up”**

– Polyakov-loop susceptibility from LQCD [Karsch-Laermann (94), Allton et al. (02)]

\Rightarrow insufficient \mathcal{U} for fluctuations [CS-Friman-Redlich (06)]

– where T -dep. comes from? \dots thermal gluon excitations $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}}$

- revisit pure SU(3) YM theory

closer contact with the underlying theory “top-down”

⇒ better low-energy effective theory, thus better thermodynamics

Q. How can gluons and Φ live together?

Gluon thermodynamics in low-T phase?

Similar mechanism to quark sector?

II. Effective Gluon Potential

Deriving partition function from YM Lagrangian

- background field method, a constant uniform background \bar{A}_0

$$A_\mu = \bar{A}_\mu + g\check{A}_\mu$$

$$\bar{A}_\mu^a = \bar{A}_0^a \delta_{\mu 0}, \quad \bar{A}_0 = \bar{A}_0^3 T^3 + \bar{A}_0^8 T^8$$

$$\sum_n \ln \det \left(D^{-1} \right) = \ln \det \left(1 - \hat{L}_A e^{-|\vec{p}|/T} \right)$$

[Gross-Pisarski-Yaffe (81)]

- Polyakov loop matrix in adjoint representation (8x8 matrix)

$$\hat{L}_A = \text{diag} \left(1, 1, e^{i(\phi_1 - \phi_2)}, e^{-i(\phi_1 - \phi_2)}, e^{i(2\phi_1 + \phi_2)}, e^{-i(2\phi_1 + \phi_2)}, e^{i(\phi_1 + 2\phi_2)}, e^{-i(\phi_1 + 2\phi_2)} \right)$$

rank of SU(3) group = 2 \Rightarrow elements expressed in 2 variables

- express in terms of

$$\Phi = \text{tr} \hat{L}_F / 3, \quad \bar{\Phi} = \text{tr} \hat{L}_F^\dagger / 3$$

- full thermodynamics potential:

$$\Omega = \underbrace{\Omega_g}_{\sim a(T) \bar{\Phi} \Phi?} + \underbrace{\Omega_{\text{Haar}}}_{\text{responsible for } Z(3) \text{ breaking}}$$

- Haar measure: Jacobian associated with $L \Leftrightarrow A_0$

$$M(\phi_1, \phi_2) = \frac{8}{9\pi^2} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\phi_1 - \phi_2}{2} \right) \sin^2 \left(\frac{2\phi_1 + \phi_2}{2} \right) \\ \times \sin^2 \left(\frac{\phi_1 + 2\phi_2}{2} \right),$$

normalization:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_1 d\phi_2 M(\phi_1, \phi_2) = 1$$

partition function:

$$Z = \int d\phi_1 d\phi_2 M(\phi_1, \phi_2) e^{S(\phi_1, \phi_2)} = \int d\phi_1 d\phi_2 e^{S_{\text{eff}}(\phi_1, \phi_2)}, \\ S_{\text{eff}} = S(\phi_1, \phi_2) + \ln M(\phi_1, \phi_2)$$

$$M(\phi_1, \phi_2) = \frac{8}{9\pi^2} \left[1 - 6\bar{\Phi}\Phi + 4 \left(\Phi^3 + \bar{\Phi}^3 \right) - 3 (\bar{\Phi}\Phi)^2 \right]$$

\Rightarrow restricts the (ϕ_1, ϕ_2) target space

$\Rightarrow \Phi$ never exceeds unity.

- full thermodynamics potential: $\Omega = \Omega_g + \Omega_{\text{Haar}}$

$$\Omega_g = 2T \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^8 C_n(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}) e^{-n|\vec{p}|/T} \right),$$

$$\Omega_{\text{Haar}} = -a_0 T \ln \left[1 - 6\bar{\Phi}\Phi + 4 \left(\Phi^3 + \bar{\Phi}^3 \right) - 3 (\bar{\Phi}\Phi)^2 \right],$$

$$C_1 = C_7 = 1 - 9\bar{\Phi}\Phi, \quad C_2 = C_6 = 1 - 27\bar{\Phi}\Phi + 27 \left(\bar{\Phi}^3 + \Phi^3 \right),$$

$$C_3 = C_5 = -2 + 27\bar{\Phi}\Phi - 81 (\bar{\Phi}\Phi)^2,$$

$$C_4 = 2 \left[-1 + 9\bar{\Phi}\Phi - 27 \left(\bar{\Phi}^3 + \Phi^3 \right) + 81 (\bar{\Phi}\Phi)^2 \right], \quad C_8 = 1$$

⇒ energy distributions solely determined by group characters of SU(3)

– no free parameter in Ω_g

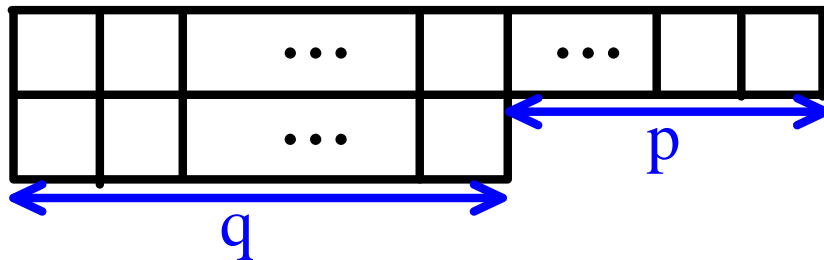
– one parameter in Ω_{Haar} : $a_0 \Leftrightarrow T_c^{\text{lat}} = 270 \text{ MeV}$

Character expansion of Ω_g

- effective action in the strong coupling exp. [Wozar-Kaestner-Wipf-Heinzl-Pozsgay (06)]

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{eff}}^{(\text{SC})} = \lambda_{10} S_{10} + \lambda_{20} S_{20} + \lambda_{11} S_{11} + \lambda_{21} S_{21}$$

S_{pq} : products of SU(3) characters \sim a series of $Z(3)$ -inv. operators



$$C_{1,7} = S_{10}, \quad C_{2,6} = S_{21}, \\ C_{3,5} = S_{11}, \quad C_4 = S_{20}$$

- a “minimal” model: $\mathcal{S}_{\text{eff}} = \lambda S_{10} \sim \lambda \bar{\Phi} \Phi$ plus $\mathcal{S}_{\text{Haar}}$
 \Rightarrow 1st-order phase transition
- coefficient λ can be deduced from $\Omega_g!$ $\Omega_g \simeq \mathcal{F}(T) \bar{\Phi} \Phi$
- cf. “phenomenological” potentials used in PNJL/PQM
 $\Omega = a(T) T^4 \bar{\Phi} \Phi + \Omega_{\text{Haar}}$: unknown $a(T)$ fixed by fitting Lattice EoS

III. Thermodynamics

Thermodynamics

- high temperature limit: $\Phi \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow$ non-int. gluon gas

$$\Omega_g(\Phi = \bar{\Phi} = 1) = 16T \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left(1 - e^{-|\vec{p}|/T} \right)$$

- any finite temperature in confined phase: $\Phi = 0$ thus $\Omega_{\text{Haar}} = 0$

$$\Omega_g(\Phi = \bar{\Phi} = 0) \sim 2T \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left(1 + e^{-|\vec{p}|/T} \right)$$

wrong sign! \Rightarrow unphysical EoS $s, \epsilon < 0$

Gluons are NOT correct dynamical variables below T_c !

cf. PNJL/PQM: quarks are suppressed but exist at any T.

- **higher representations of Polyakov loop**
 - non-vanishing in confined phase *within mean field approx.*
 - do not condense when energy distributions are expressed in fund. rep.
- \Rightarrow the correct physics restored!

A hybrid approach for Yang-Mills thermodynamics

- below T_c : no gluons but **glueballs**
⇒ introduce scalar glueballs as dilatons χ

- **QCD trace anomaly:**

$T_\mu^\mu \sim \langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \rangle$ scale symmetry breaking due to gluon condensate

⇒ this is encoded with dilaton potential such that $T_\mu^\mu \sim \chi^4$ [Schechter (80)]

$$V_\chi = \frac{B}{4} \left(\frac{\chi}{\chi_0} \right)^4 \left[\ln \left(\frac{\chi}{\chi_0} \right)^4 - 1 \right]$$

- thermodynamics of glueballs

$$\Omega = \Omega_\chi + V_\chi + \frac{B}{4},$$
$$\Omega_\chi = T \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left(1 - e^{-E_\chi/T} \right),$$
$$E_\chi = \sqrt{|\vec{p}|^2 + M_\chi^2}, \quad M_\chi^2 = \frac{\partial^2 V_\chi}{\partial \chi^2},$$

- below T_c : no gluons but glueballs
 \Rightarrow switching dynamical variables at T_c

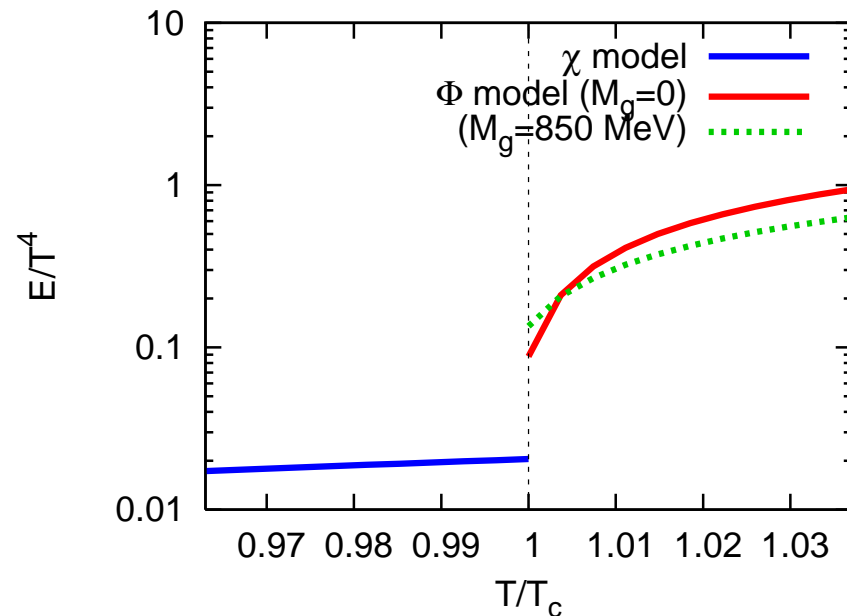
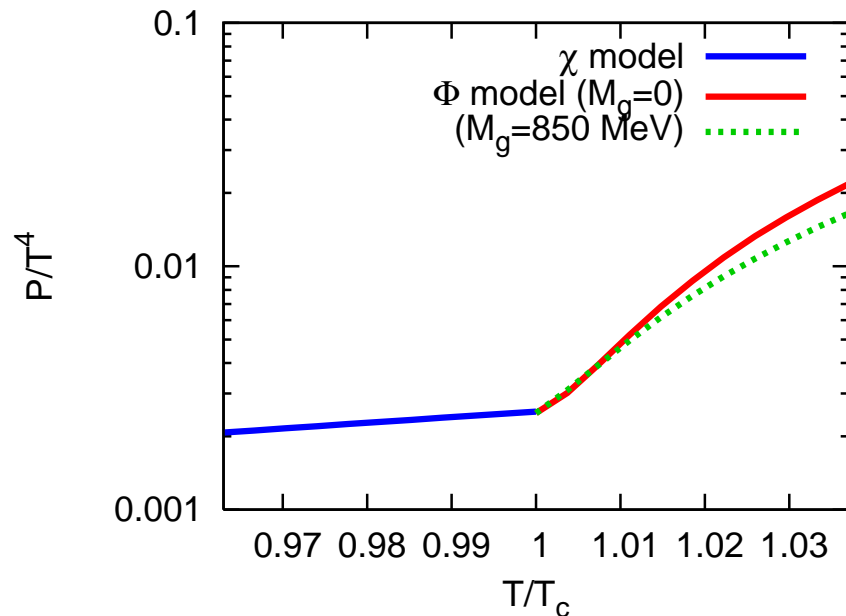
$$\Omega = \Theta(T_c - T) \Omega(\chi) + \Theta(T - T_c) \Omega(\Phi),$$

$$\Omega(\chi) = \Omega_\chi + V_\chi + B/4, \quad \Omega(\Phi) = \Omega_g + \Omega_{\text{Haar}} + c_0$$

- $\epsilon_0 = 0.6 \text{ GeV fm}^{-3}$, $M_G = 1.7 \text{ GeV}$, $T_c = 0.27 \text{ GeV}$, $P(\chi; T_c) = P(\Phi; T_c)$

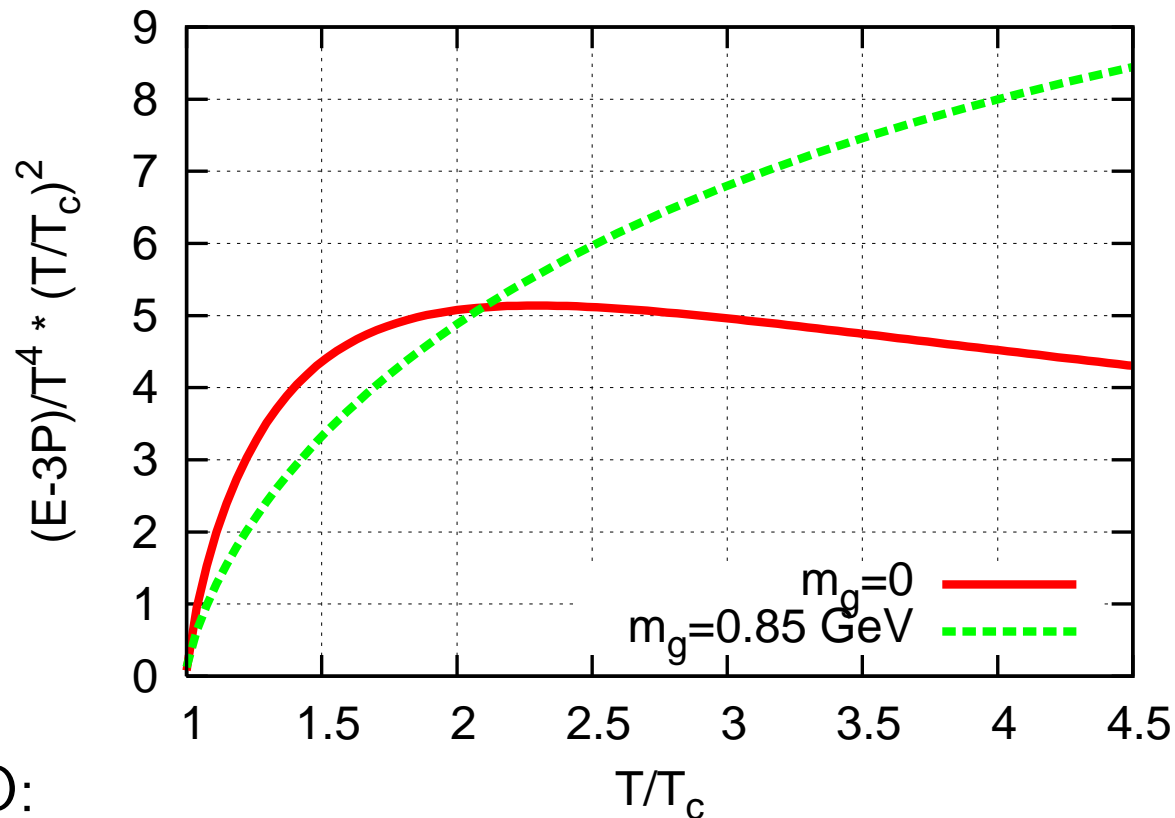
$$B = (0.368 \text{ GeV})^4, \quad \chi_0 = 0.16 \text{ GeV}$$

$$a_0 = (0.197 \text{ GeV})^3, \quad c_0 = -(0.180 \text{ GeV})^4$$



IV. Issues

Interaction measure: massive gluon?



- Lattice QCD:

- $I(T)/T^4 \sim A/T^2 + B/T^3 + C/T^4$ [Borsanyi et al. (12)]

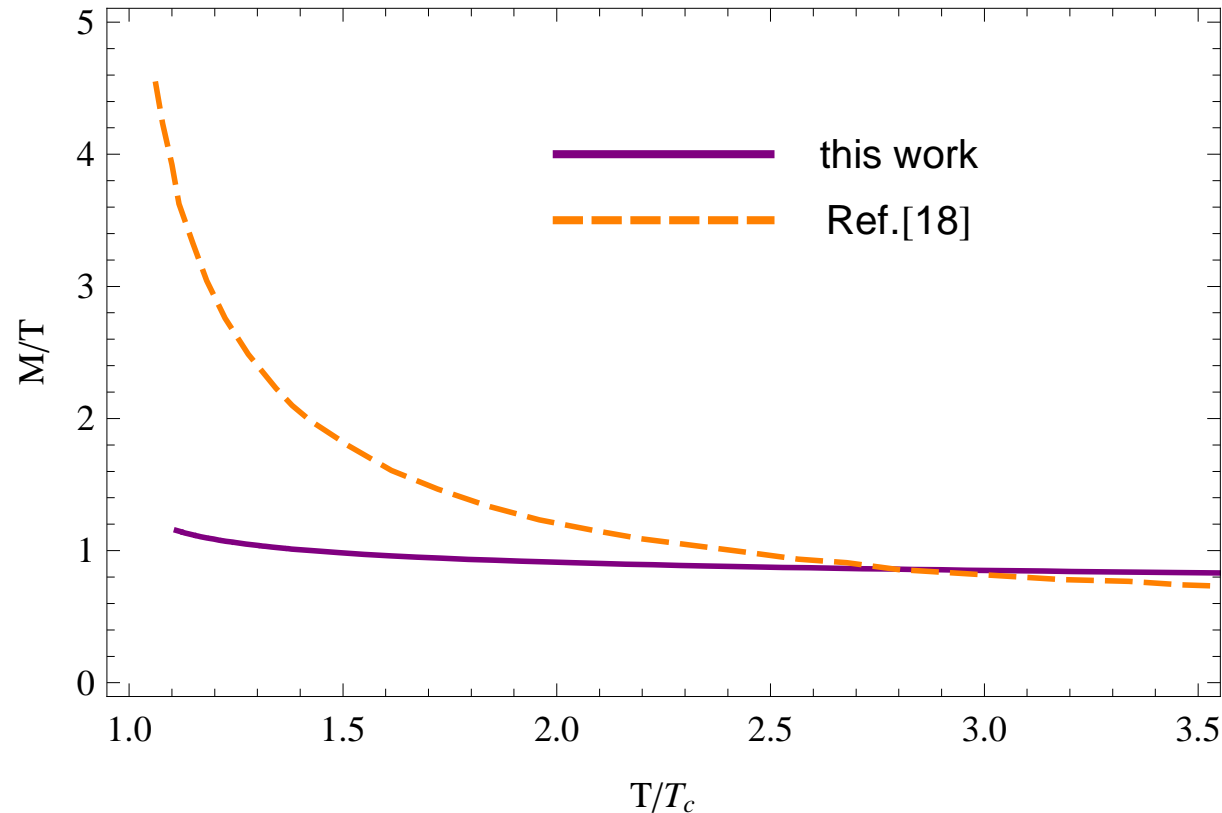
- $T/T_c < 3-4$: $I/T^2 \sim \text{const.}$ due to “residual interaction”

- model: $E_g^2 = p^2 + M_g^2$

- massless gluons: $I \sim T^2$, high T?

- massive gluons: $I \sim T^3$, condensate of dilaton? resummed $g(T)T$?

- effective gluon mass extracted from lattice EoS [Ruggieri et al. (12)]



- based on quasi-gluon models w/ Polyakov loops vs. w/o Polyakov loops
- role of Polyakov loop: $M/T \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$!
- cf. QPM w/o Polyakov loop: $M \gg T_c$
- standard dispersion $E_g = \sqrt{p^2 + M_g^2}$? or modified in hot medium?
 \Rightarrow non-trivial p-dep. would come in. cf. pQCD

Electric vs. magnetic sector

- chromoelectric sector changes qualitatively with T : **electric screening**
deconfinement phase transition driven by electric gluons
- chromomagnetic sector unaffected: **no magnetic screening**
string tension non-vanishing at any $T \Rightarrow$ confined, non-trivial above T_c

• Polyakov loops vs. dilatons

- $\Phi \Leftrightarrow A_0$: electric
- $\chi \Leftrightarrow G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$: electric plus magnetic
- effective theory above T_c : Φ and χ

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_\Phi + \mathcal{L}_\chi + \underbrace{\mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}}}_{\sim \chi^4 (a\bar{\Phi}\Phi + b(\bar{\Phi}^3 + \Phi^3) + \dots)}$$

- effective gluon mass? $\sim G^2 \chi^2 A_\mu A^\mu$ would appear when hard modes integrated out $\dots m_g \sim \langle B^2 \rangle$ in deconfined phase

how to transmute $\langle E^2 \rangle$ - $\langle B^2 \rangle$ interaction into Φ - χ interaction?

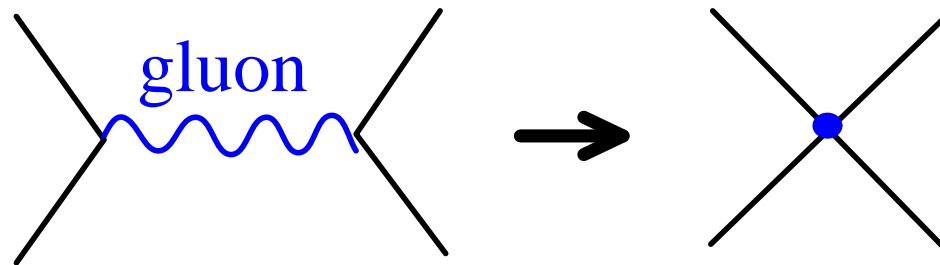
How to introduce quarks?

- pert. part ($T < T_c, \Phi \sim 0$)

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_{g+q} &\sim 2T \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left(1 + e^{-E_g/T} \right) - 4N_f T \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left(1 + e^{-3E_q/T} \right) \\ &\sim \frac{T^2}{\pi^2} \left[M_g^2 K_2 \left(\frac{M_g}{T} \right) - \frac{2N_f}{3} K_2 \left(\frac{3M_q}{T} \right) \right] \\ &\quad \text{with effective masses: } M_g \equiv M_{\text{gluball}}/2, \quad M_q \equiv M_{\text{nucleon}}/3\end{aligned}$$

therefore $s = -\partial\Omega/\partial T \stackrel{?}{\sim} -\partial\Omega_{g+q}/\partial T < 0$

- non-pert. part \sim **effective 4-fermi interaction**



- \dots non-local interaction: $T, \Phi, p \Rightarrow$ crossover at $\mu = 0$
- interaction to dilatons:
interplay between chiral and scale symmetry breaking

Summary

- **role of Polyakov loops in quasi-particle approaches**
- **derivation of gluon partition function from YM Lagrangian**
 - Polyakov loops naturally appear representing group character.
 - gluons are forbidden below T_c dynamically.
 - a hybrid approach.
- **higher representations of Polyakov loop**
 - non-vanishing even in confined phase: mean field artifact
 - do not condense when energy distributions are expressed in fund. rep.
- **Polyakov-loop susceptibilities vs. LQCD** [Lo-Friman-Kaczmarek-Redlich-CS]
- **effective theory of magnetic sector** [CS-Mishustin-Redlich]
- **introducing quarks**