

QCD phase diagram from lattice simulations

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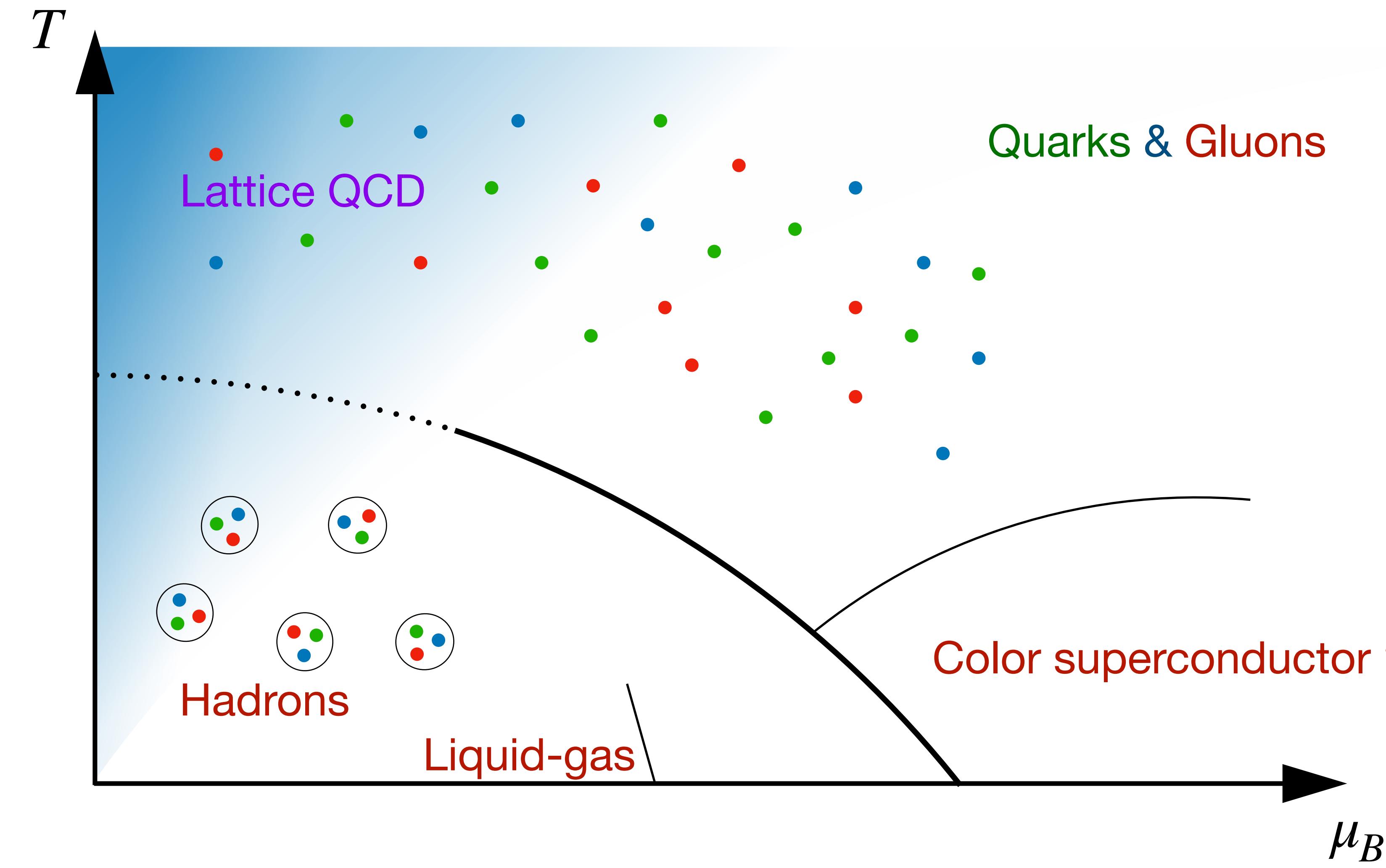
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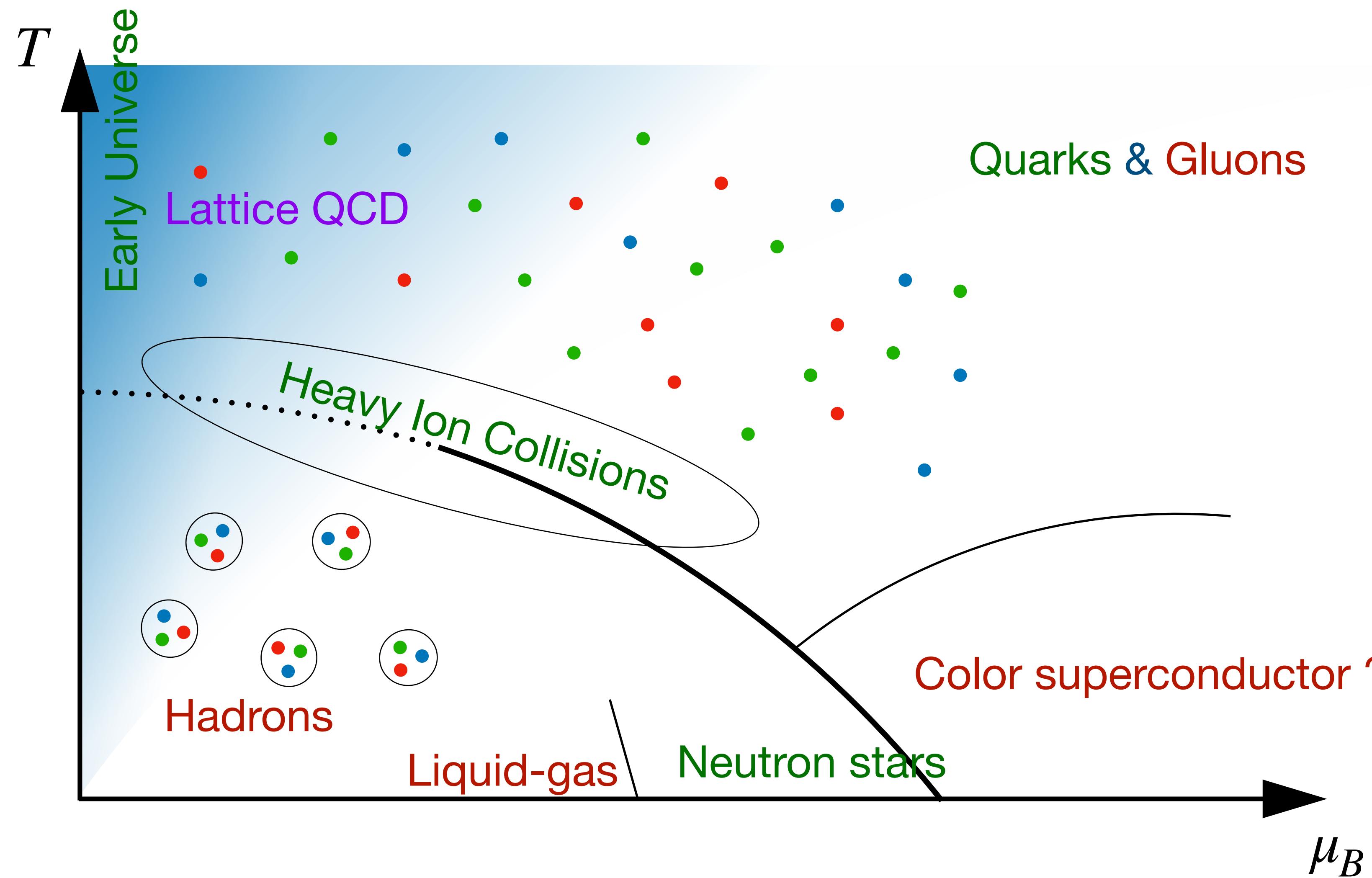
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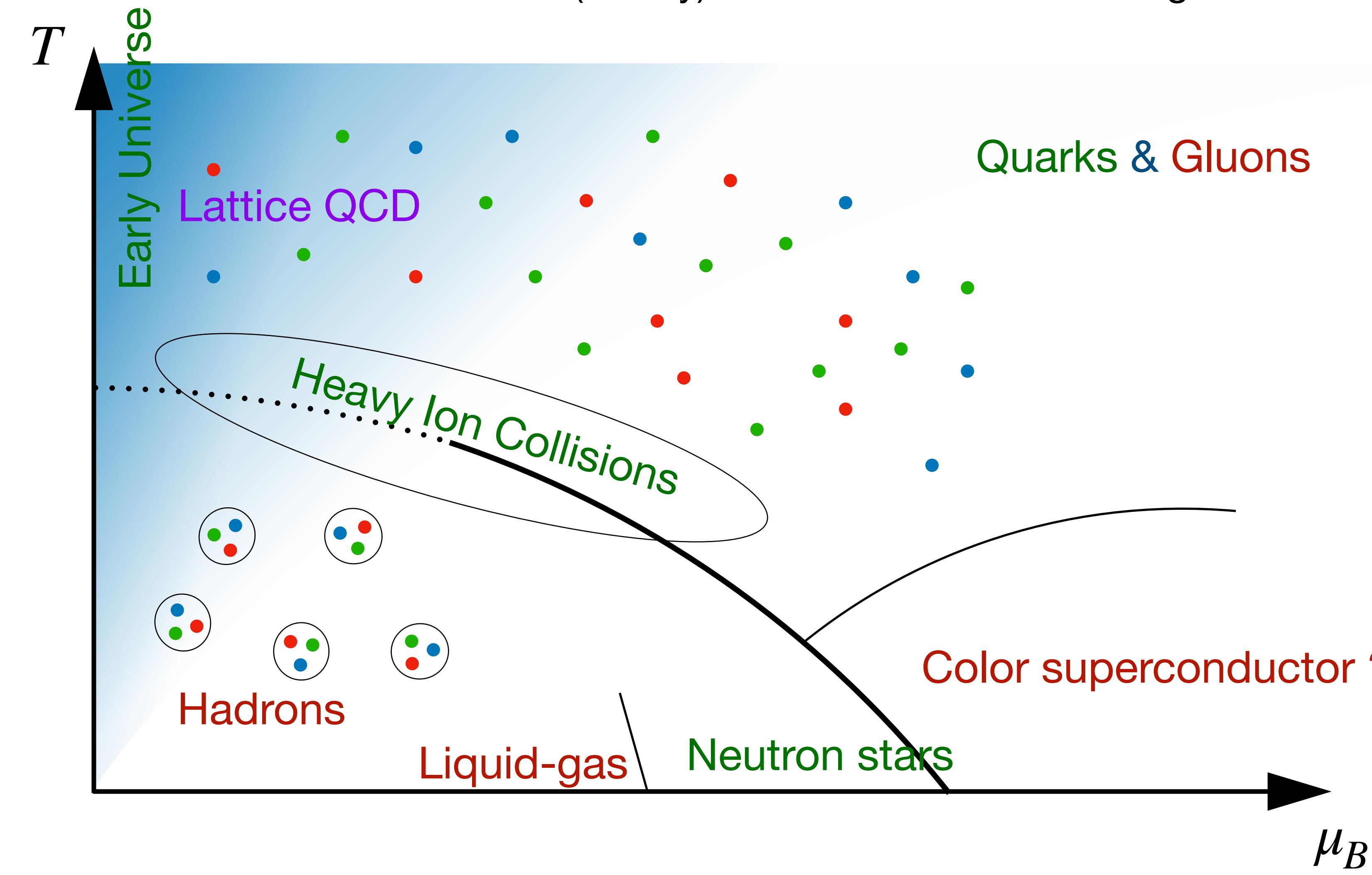
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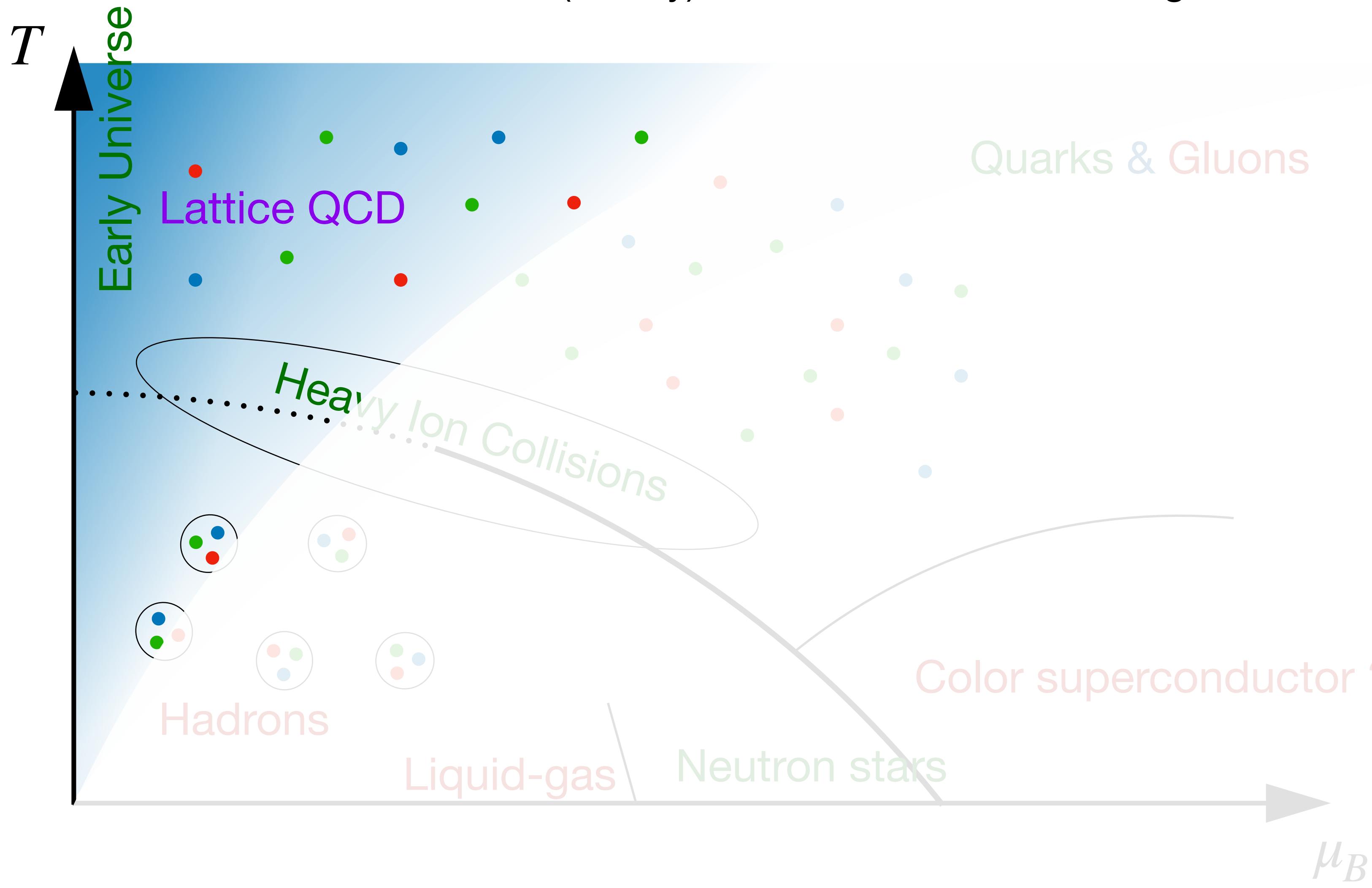
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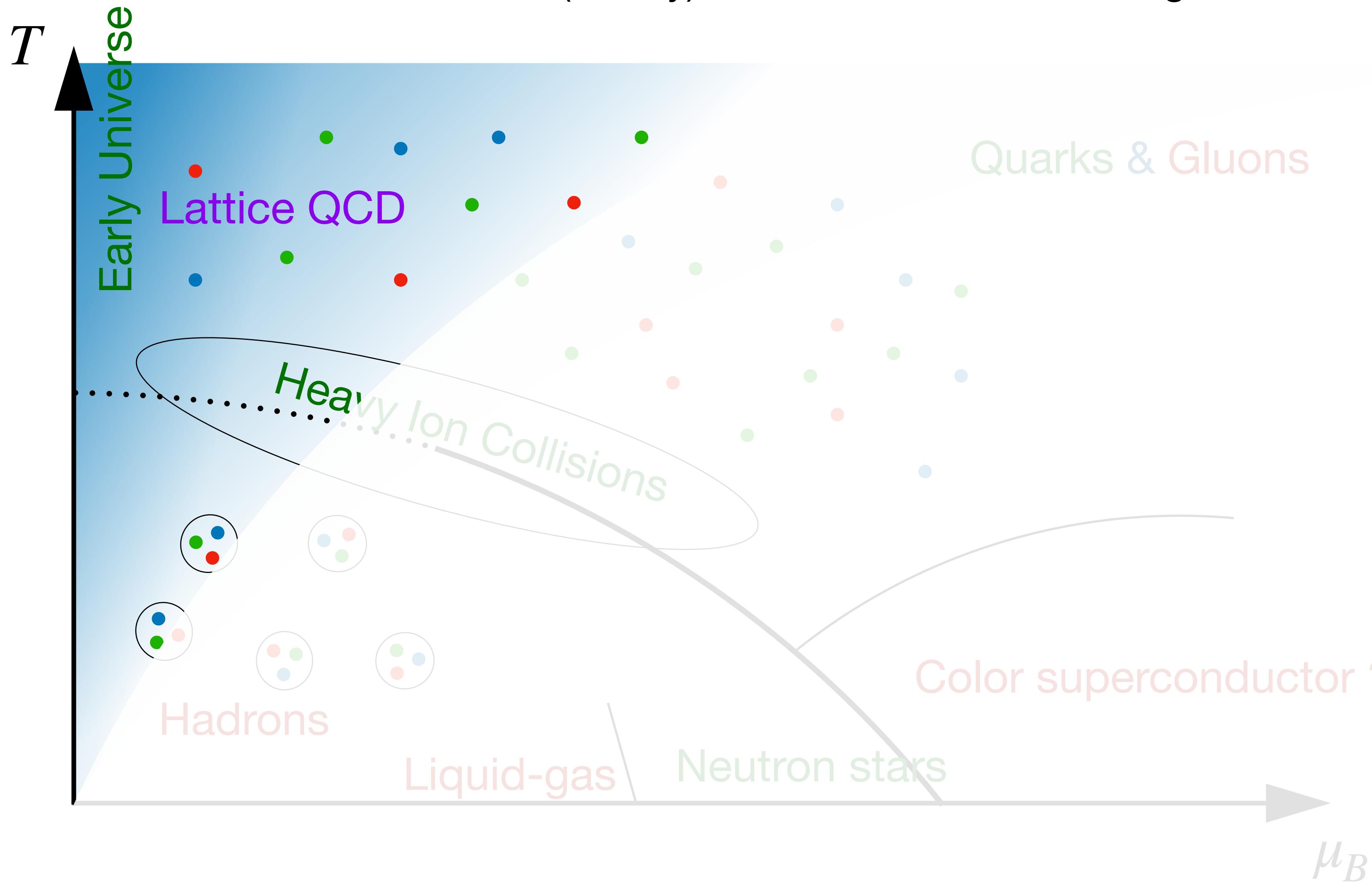
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- Phase diagram of QCD in (T, μ) plane
- Equation of State (EoS) and conserved charge fluctuations

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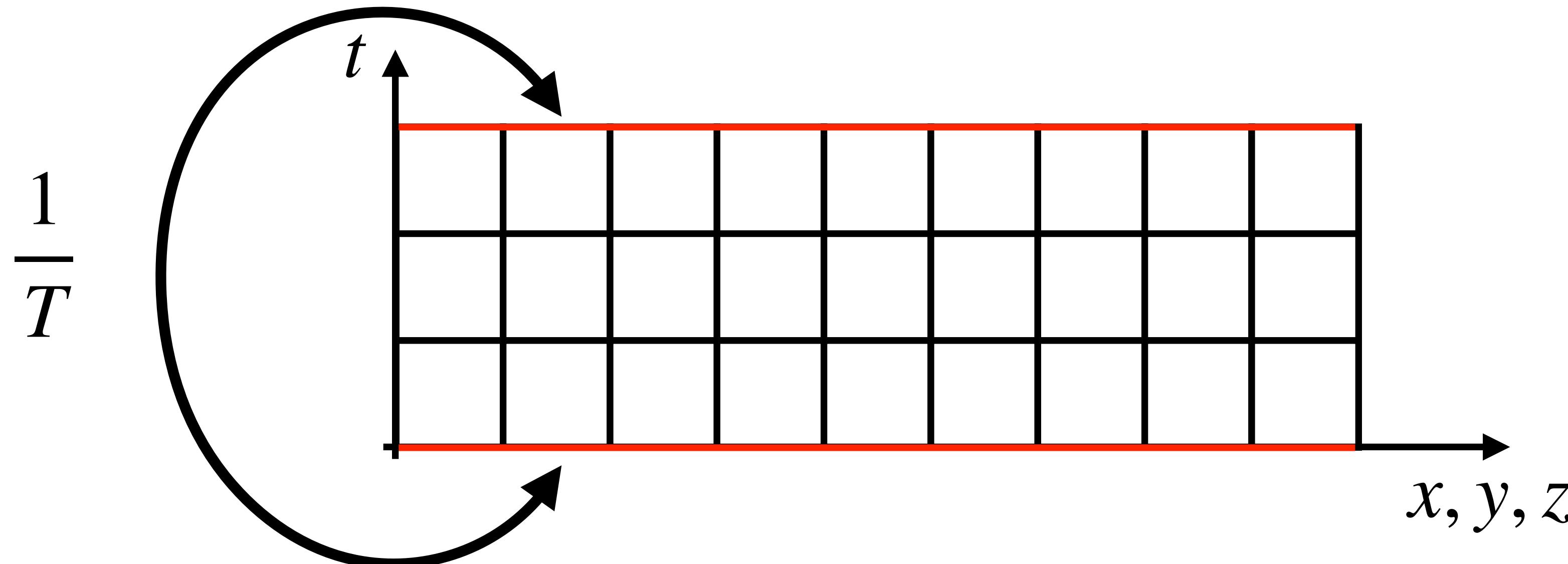
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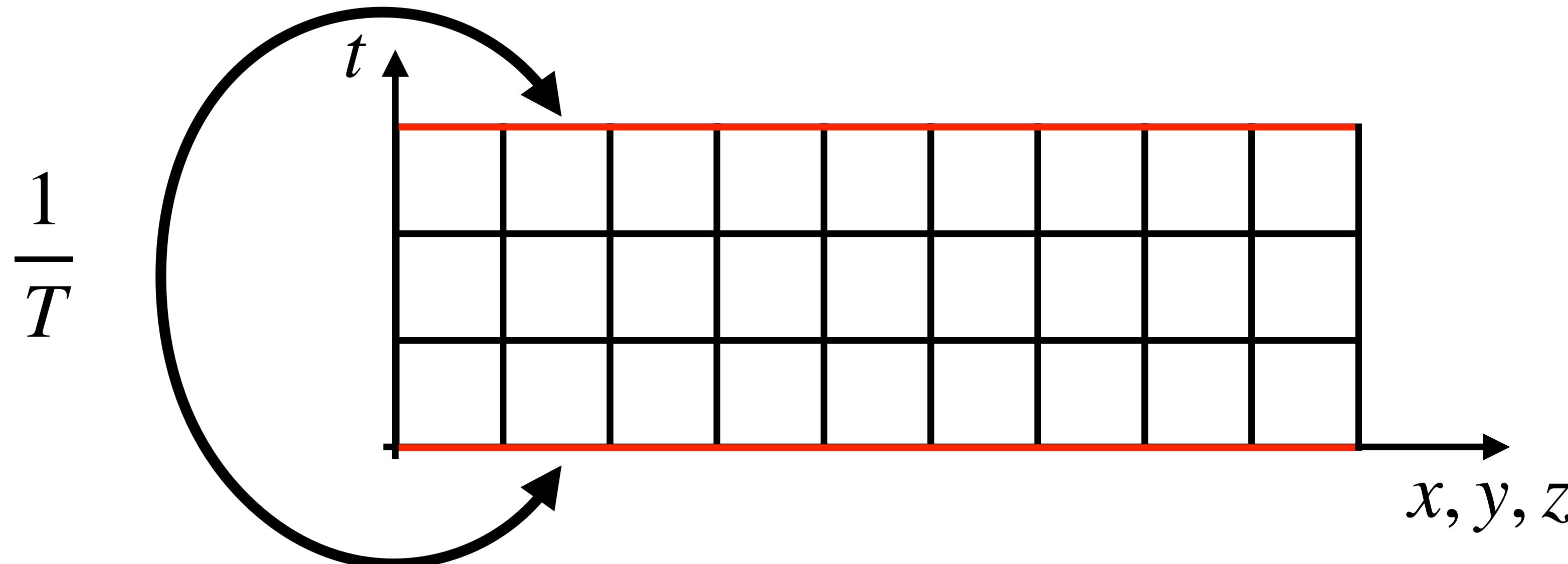
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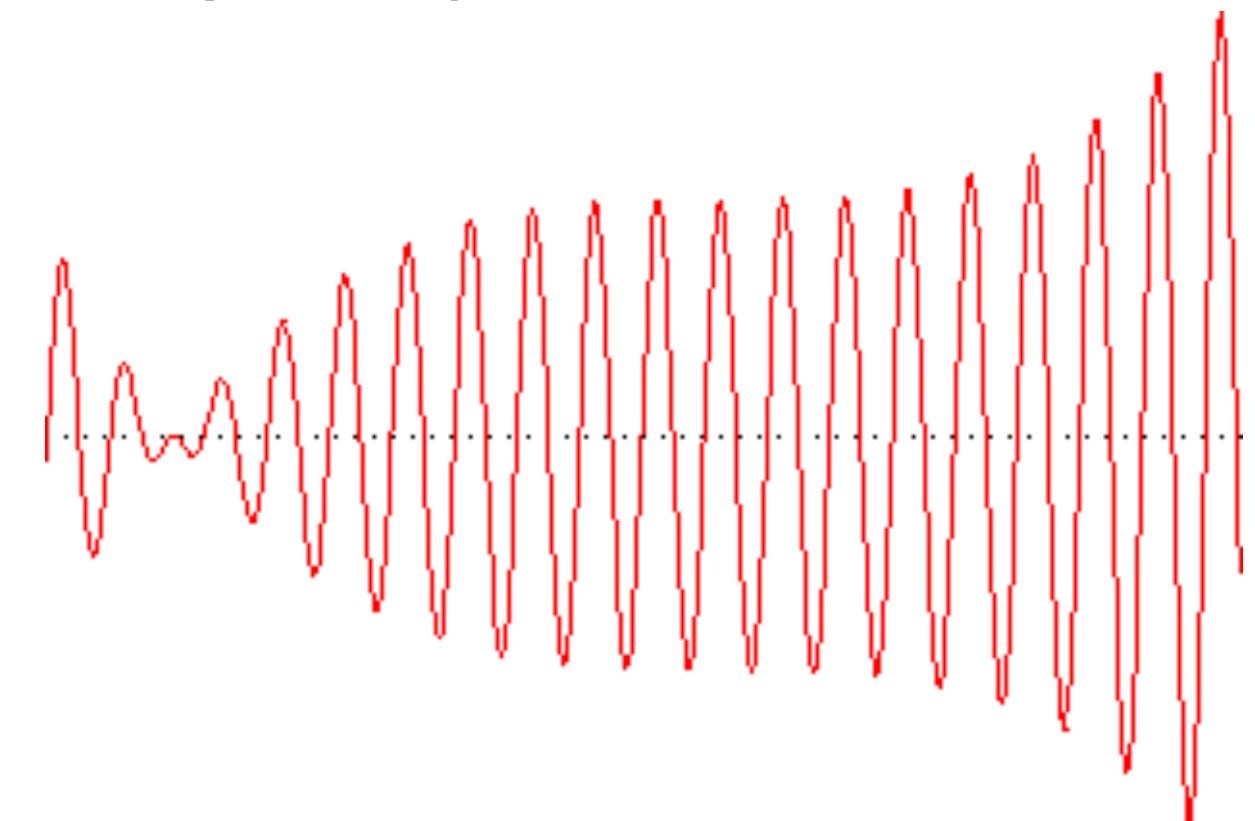
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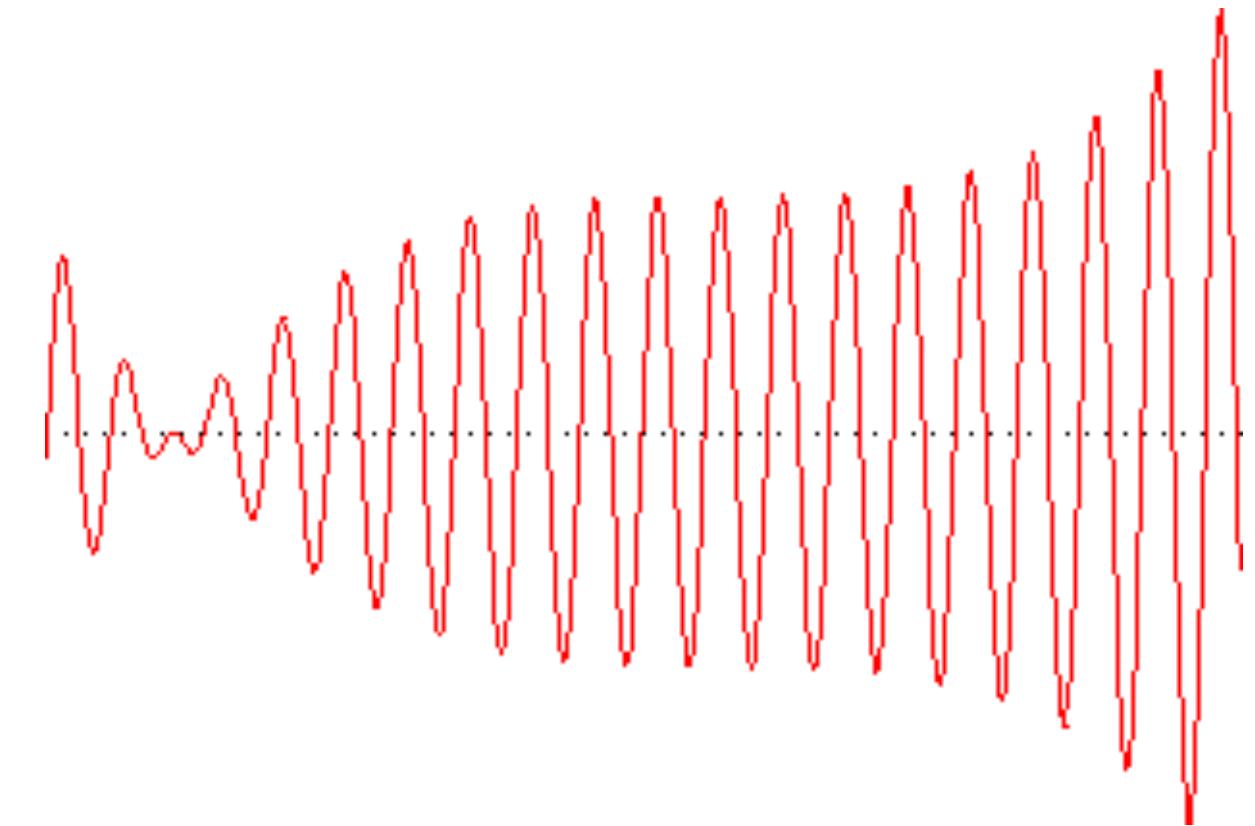
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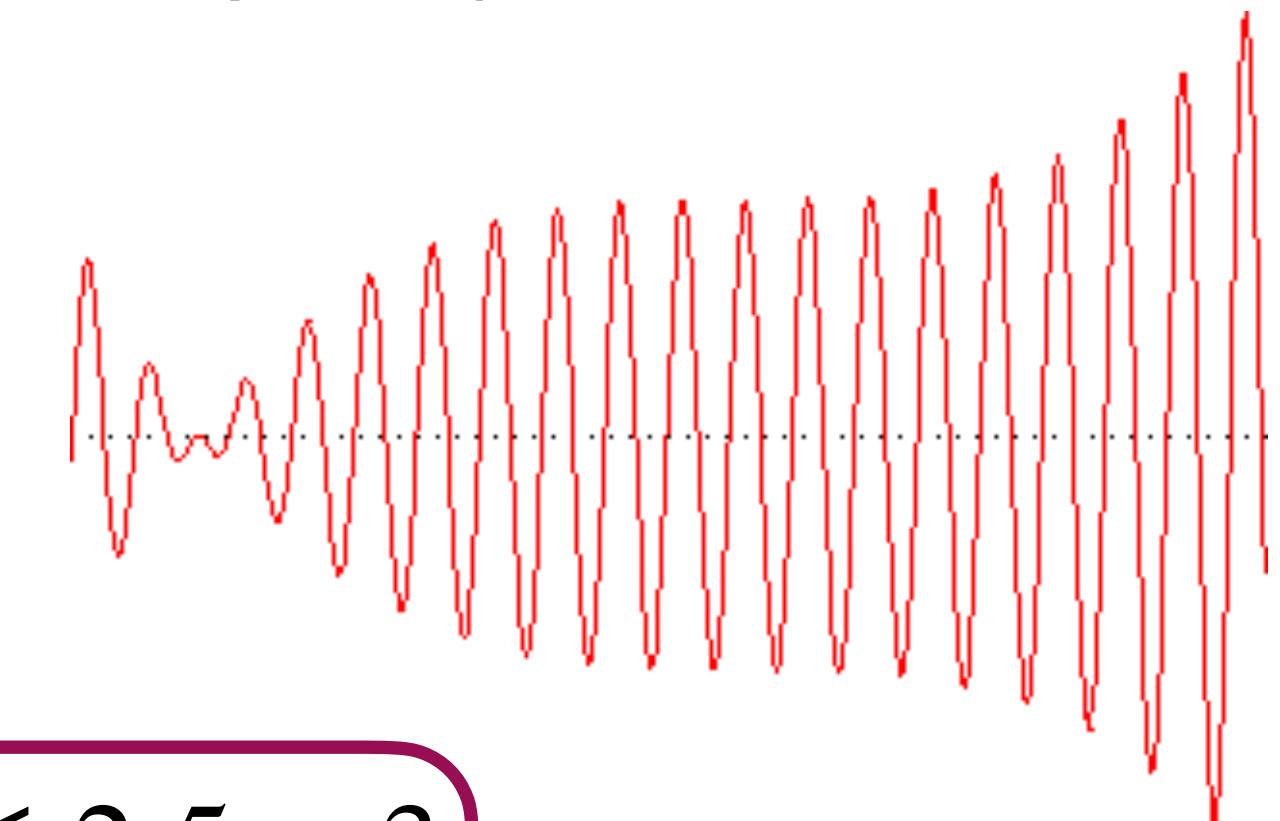
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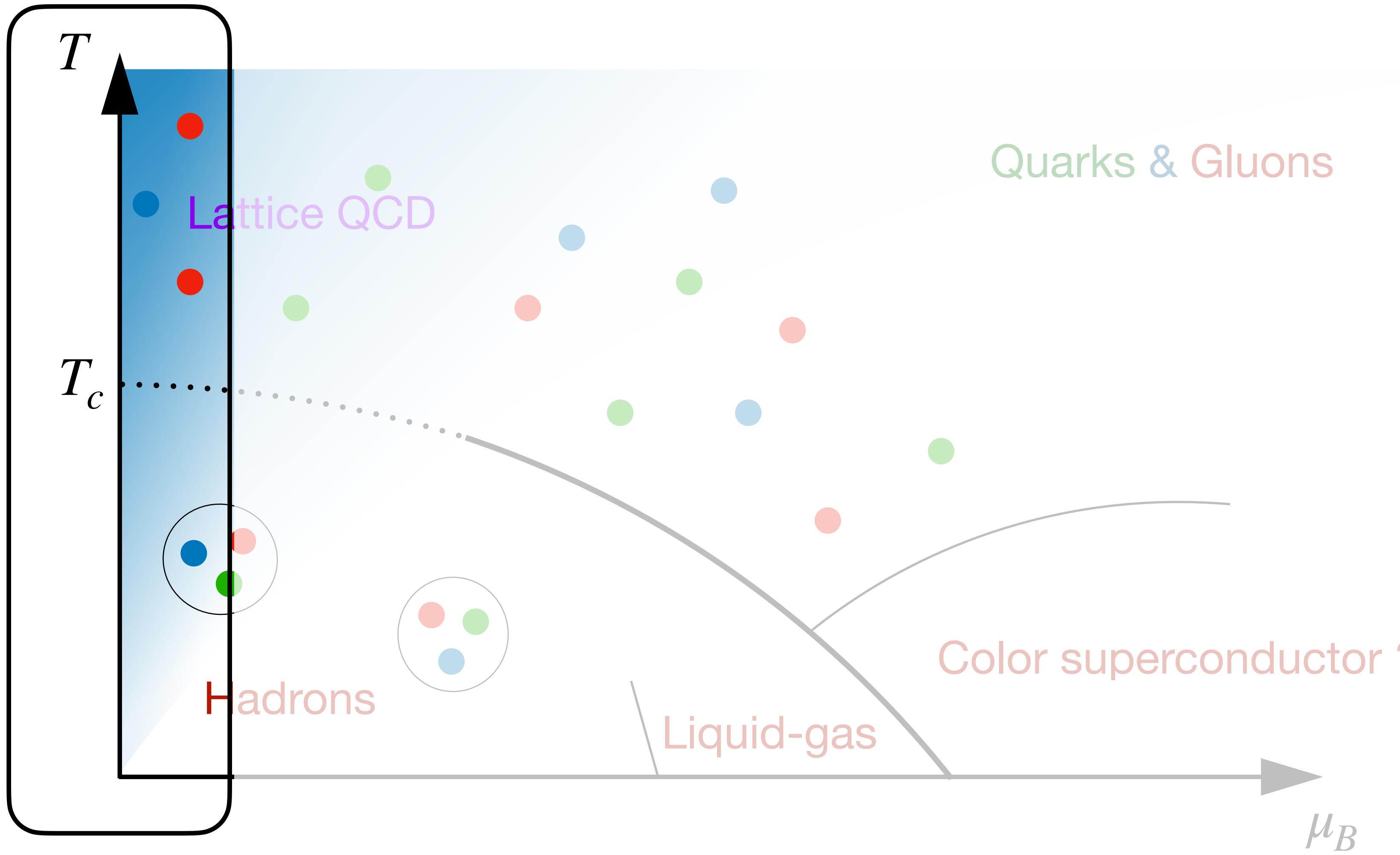
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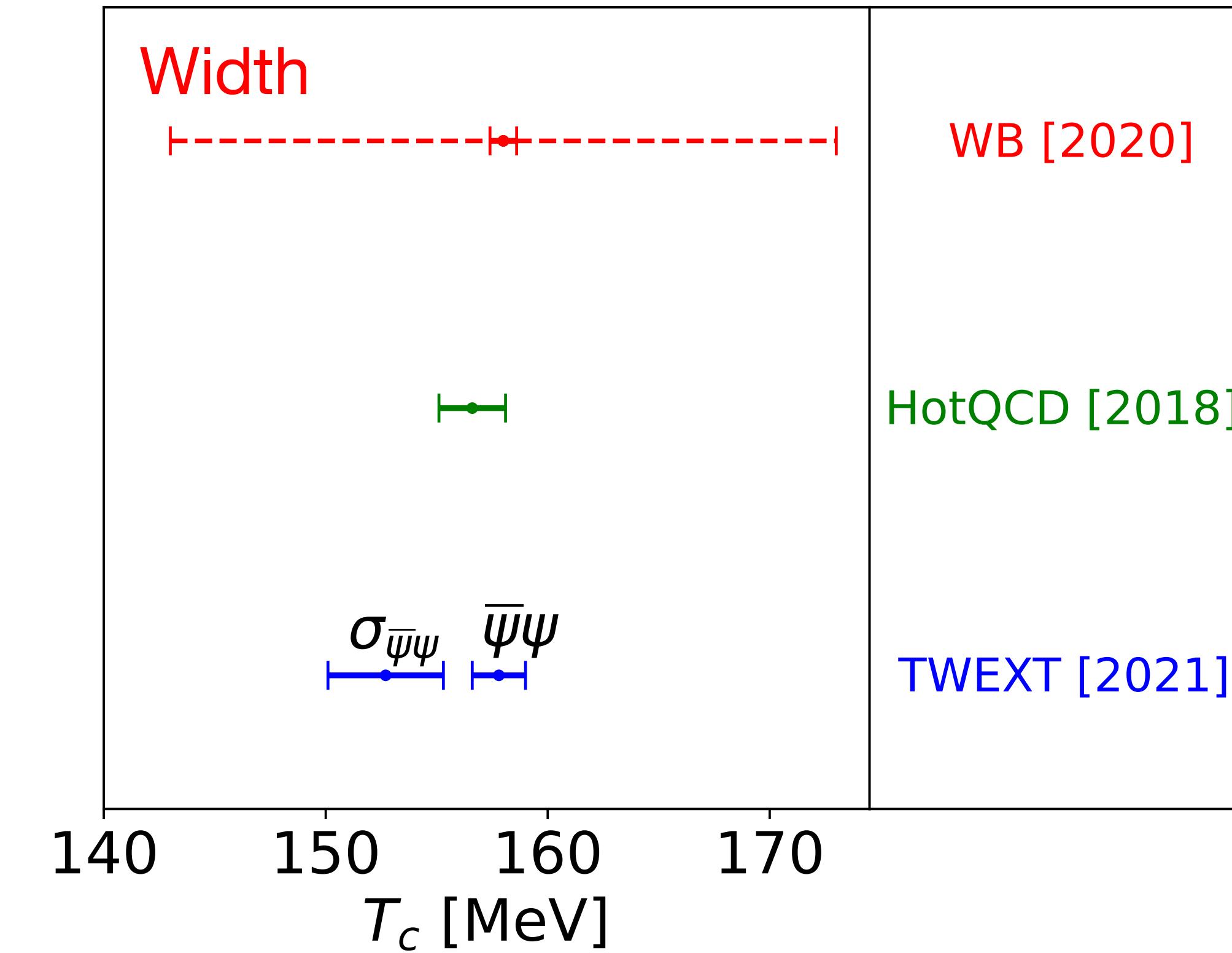
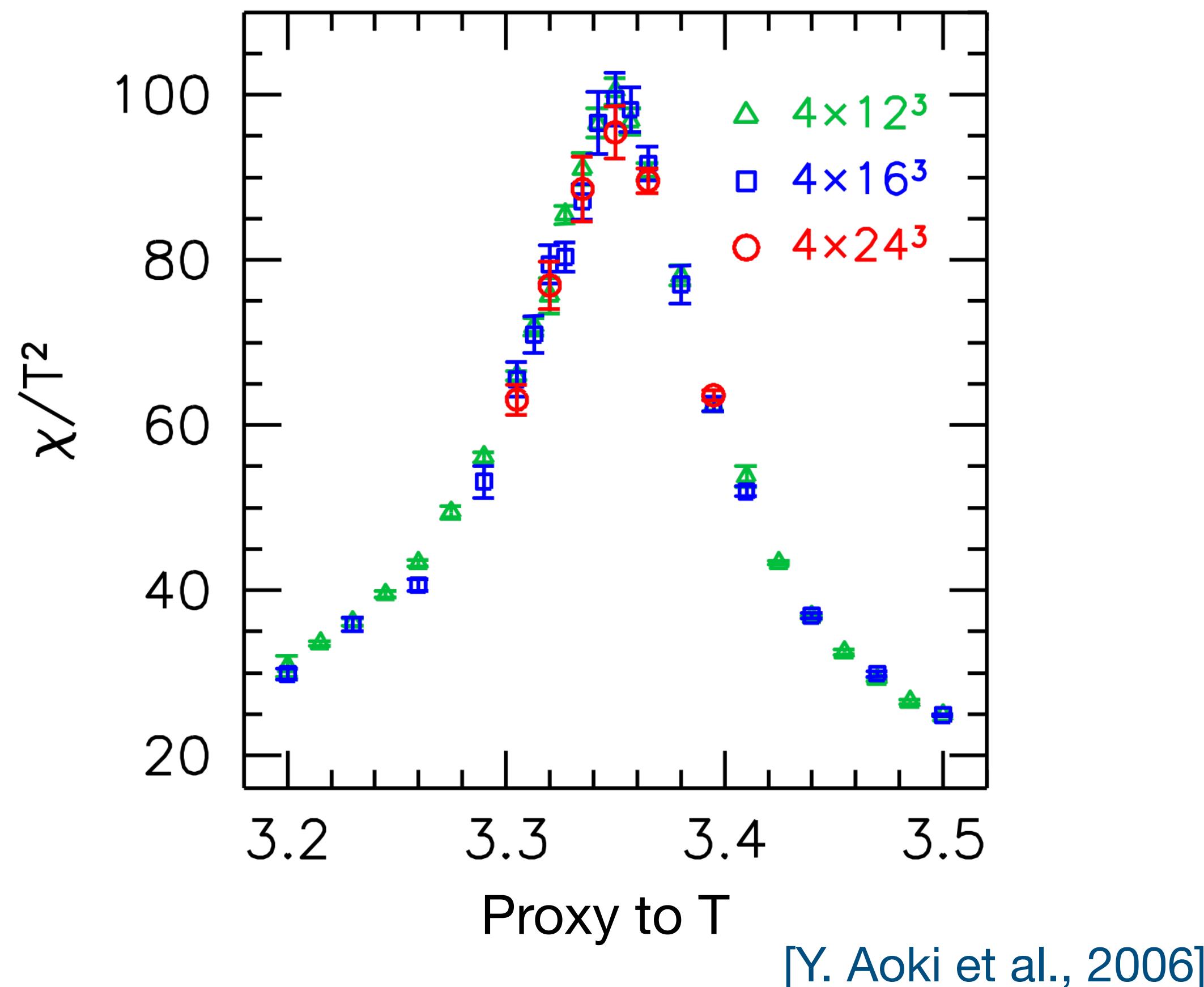
Only work for small $\mu_B/T \lesssim 2.5 - 3$

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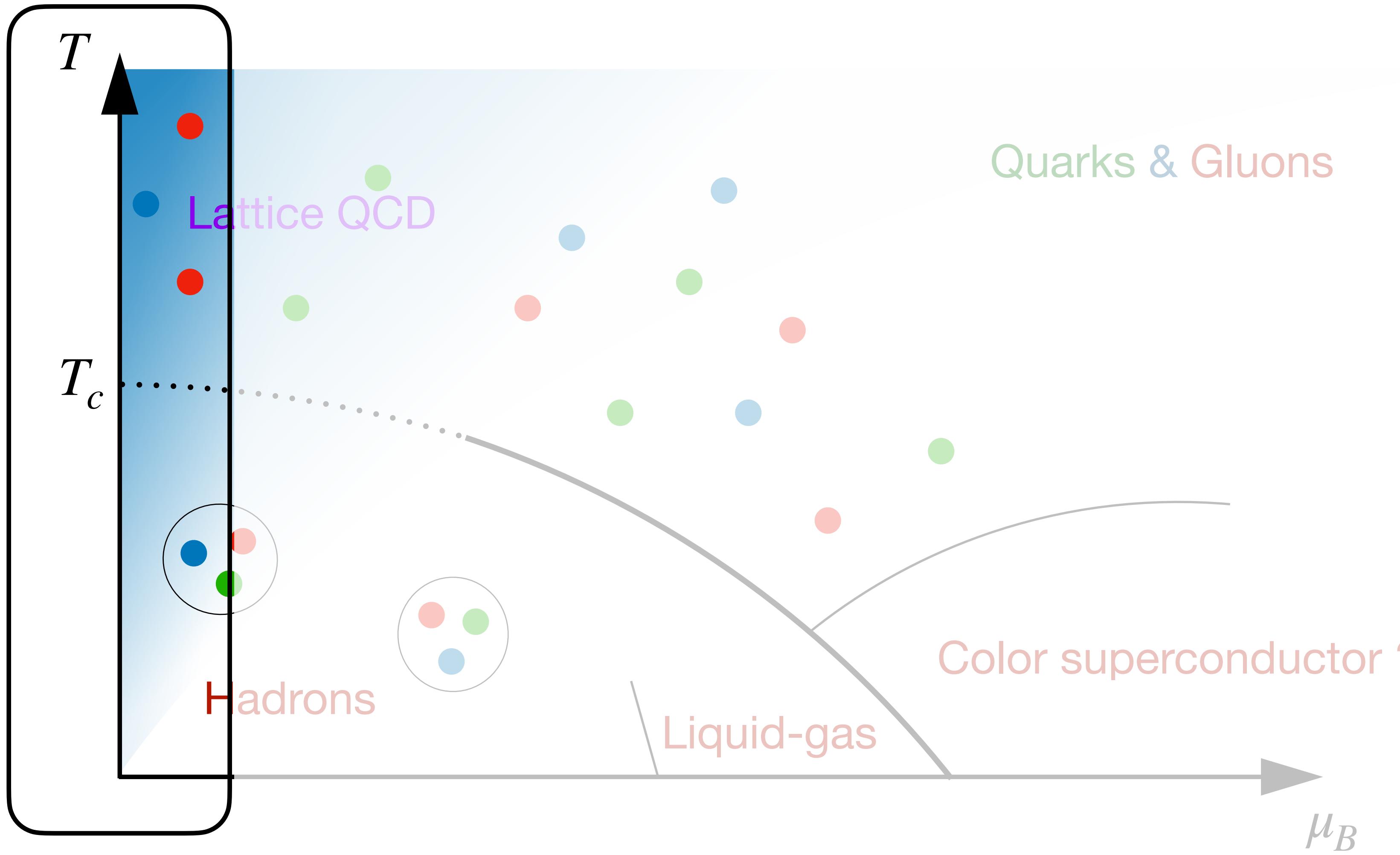
Nature of the chiral phase transition and (pseudo)-critical temperature T_c



Crossover: finite width

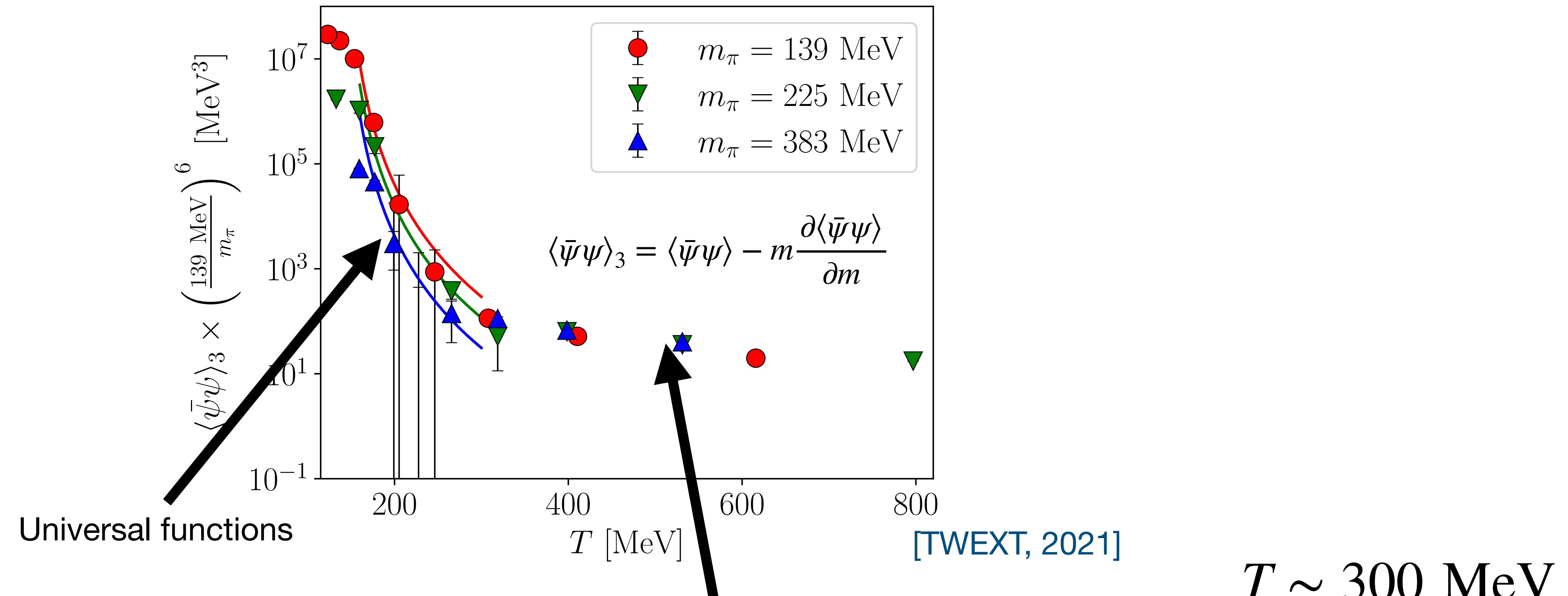
Different observables: different T_c

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Scaling window: region near the phase transition with universal behaviour

Same picture in the topological properties:
onset of DIGA behaviour

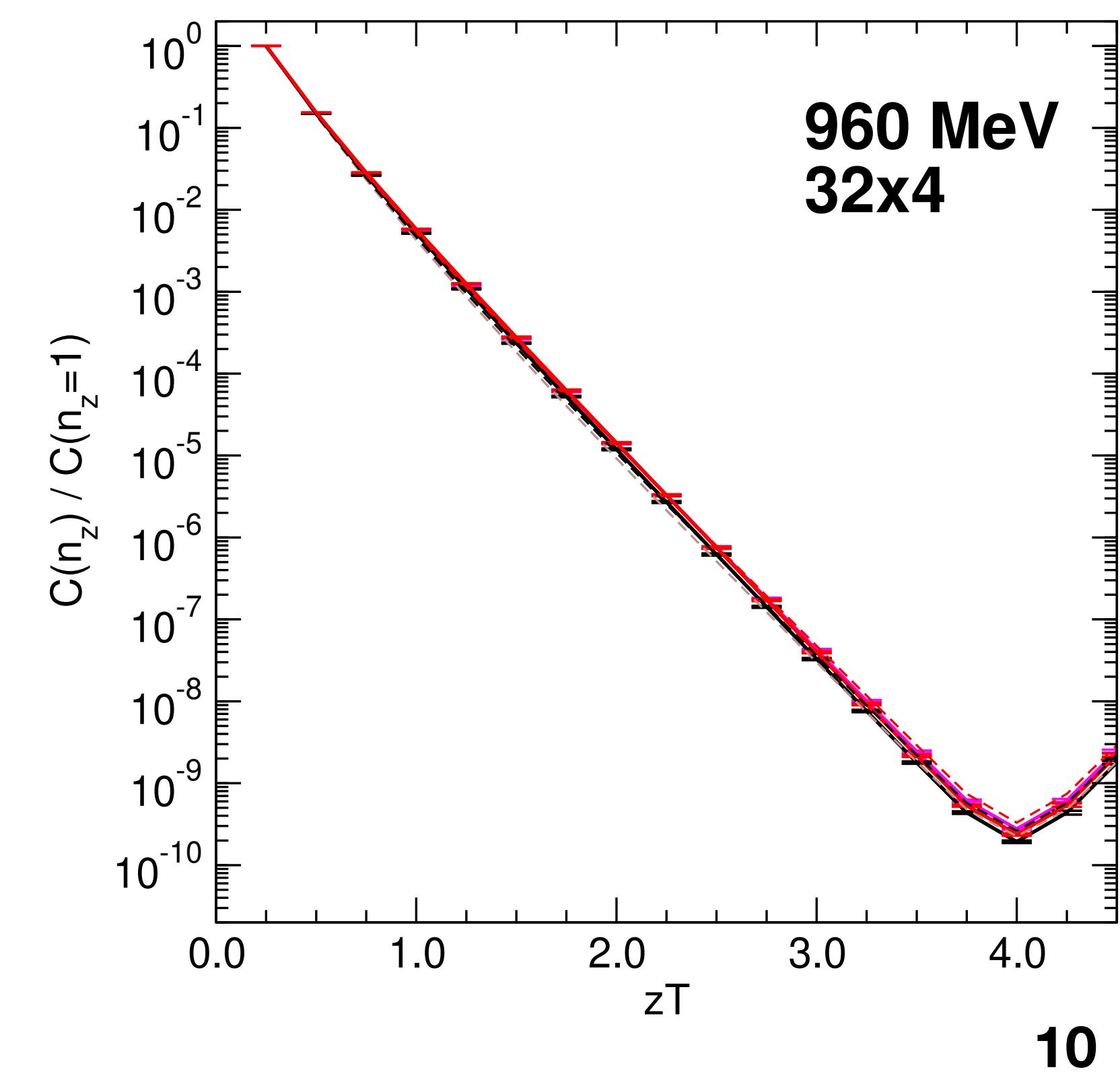
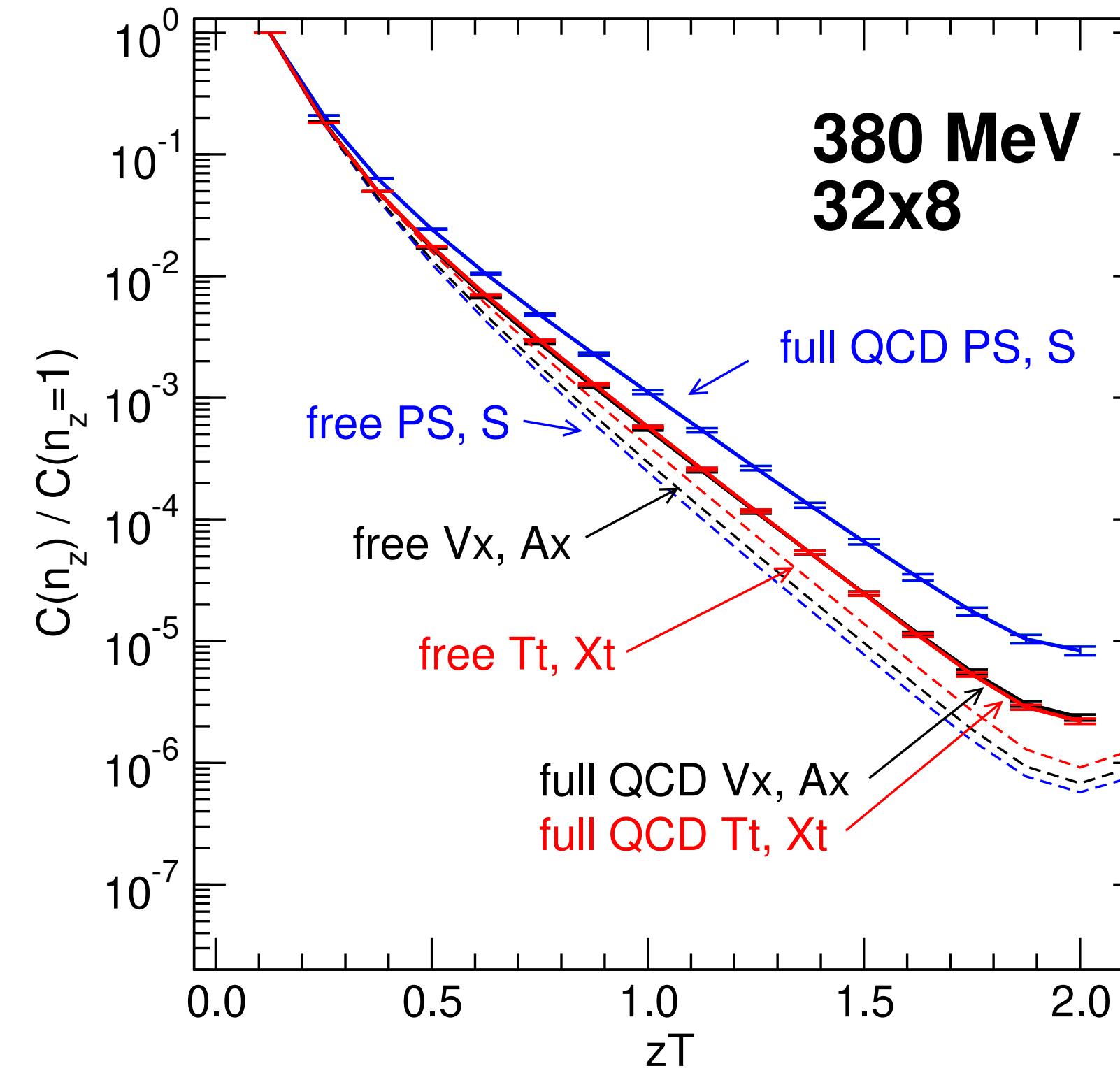
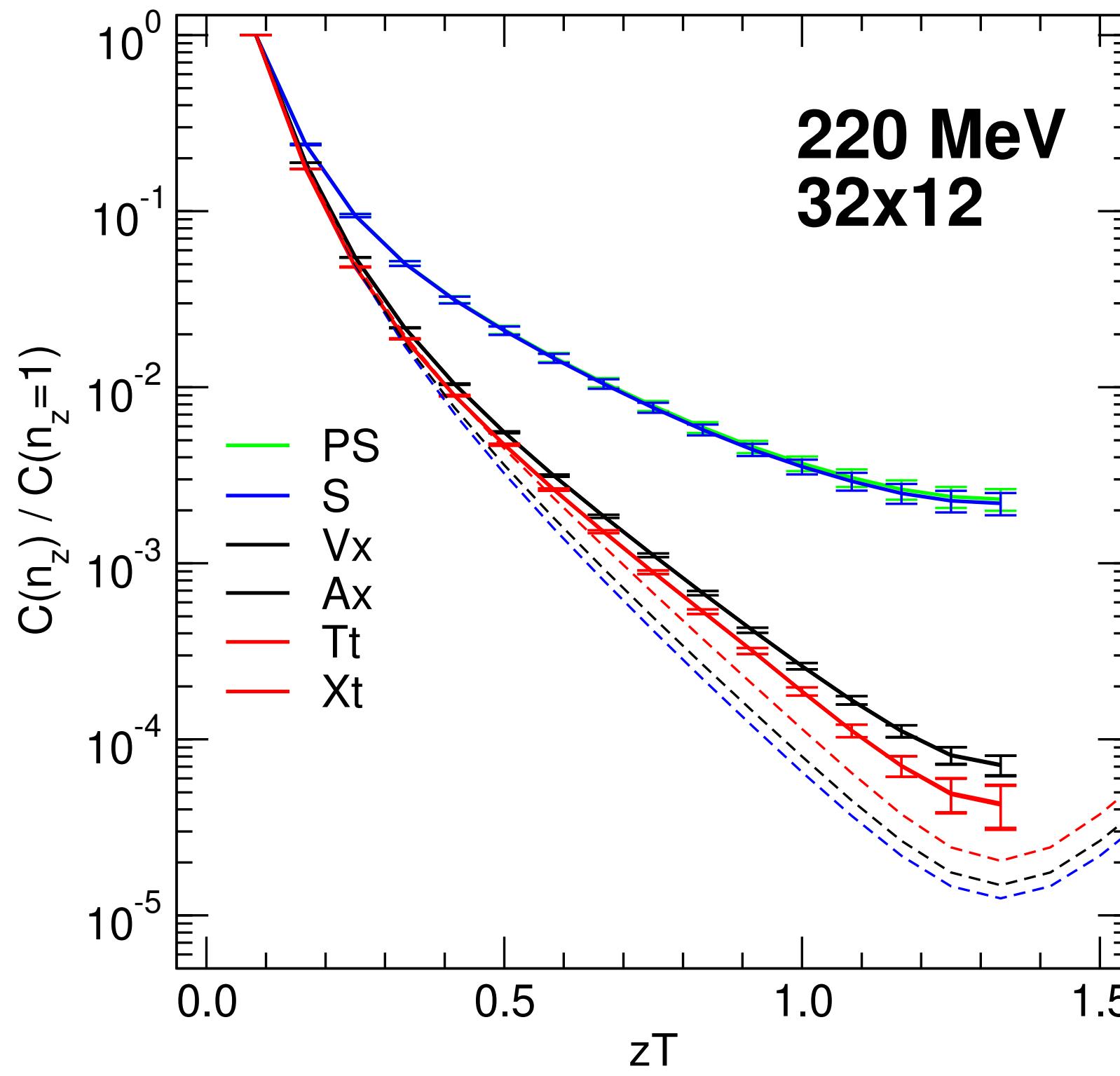
[TWEXT, 2021]

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New Chiral-Spin $SU(2)_{CS}$
symmetry: $T_{ch} \lesssim T \lesssim 3T_{ch}$

[Rohrhofer et al., 2020]



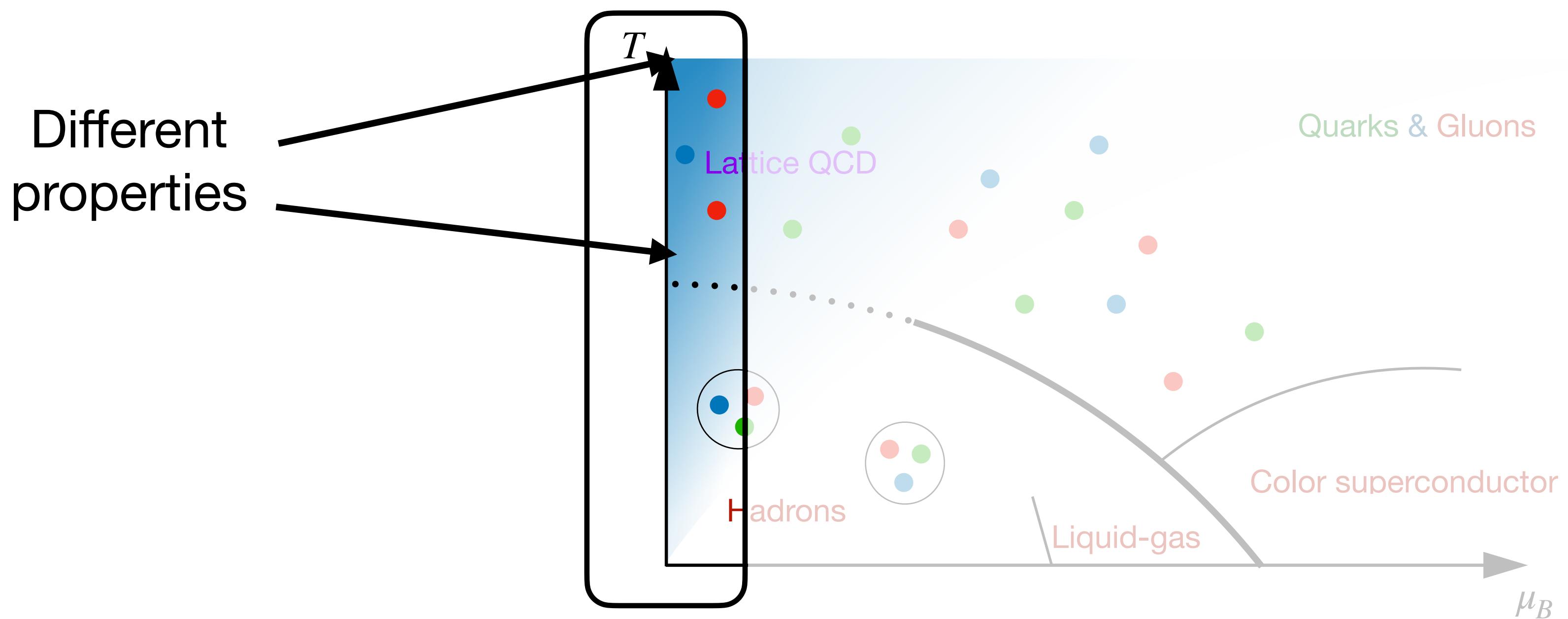
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- IR phase: $T \lesssim 250$ MeV [A.Alexandru and I. Horvath, 2019]
- Monopole condensation: $T \lesssim 275$ MeV [M.Cardinali, M.D'Elia, A. Pasqui, 2021]

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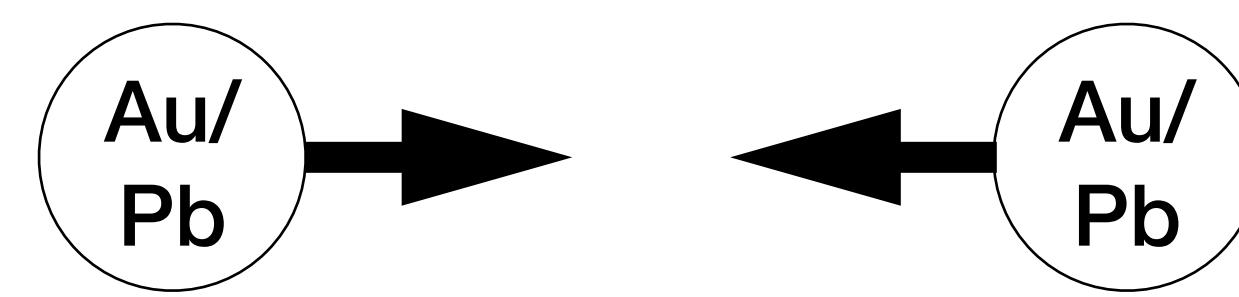
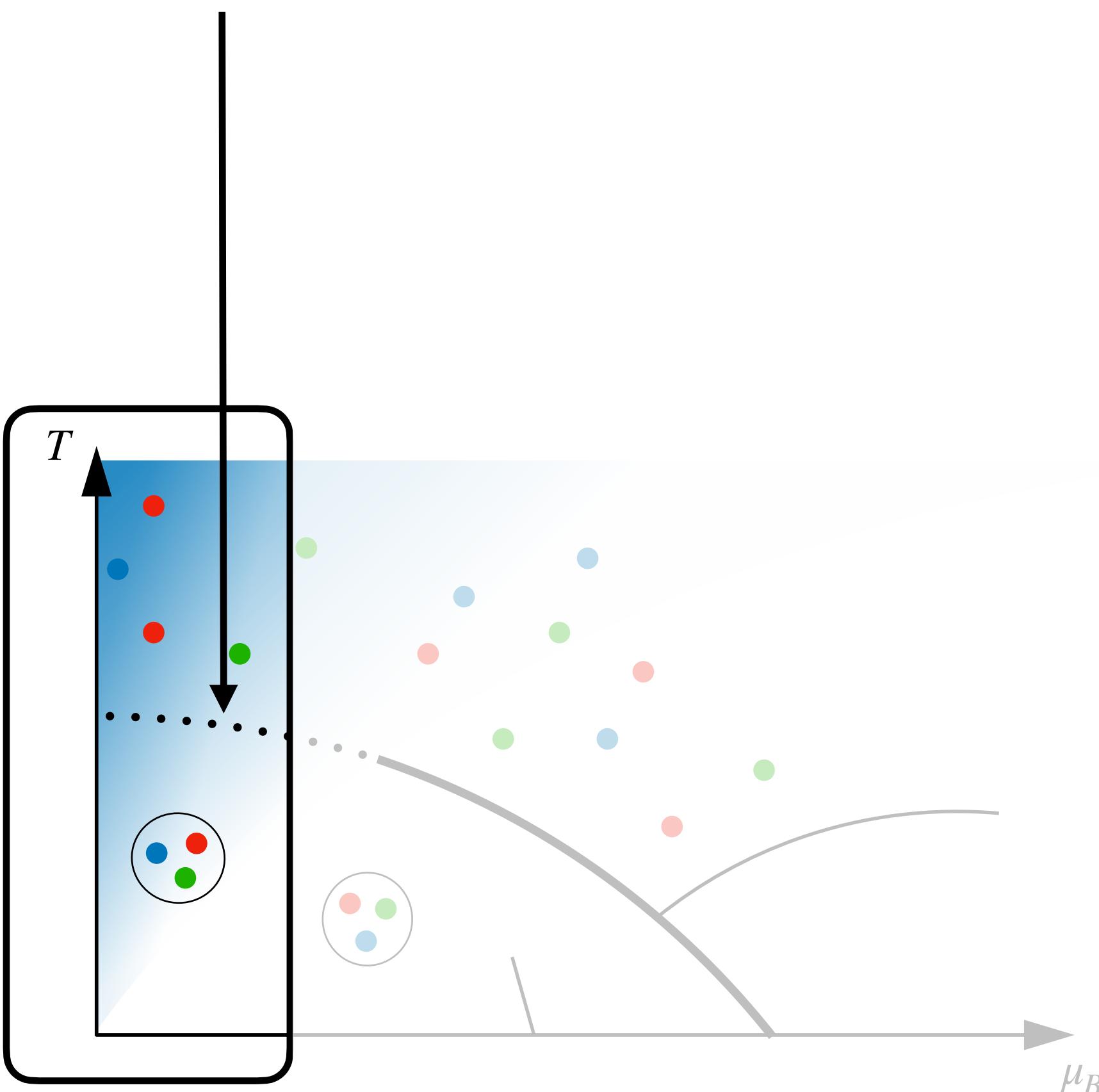
- Several (lattice) indications that regions $T \gtrsim T_c$ and $T \gg T_c$ are different



Possible transitions or thresholds: $T \sim 2 - 3 T_c$
No consensus or full understanding of the physics

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Heavy Ion Collisions:

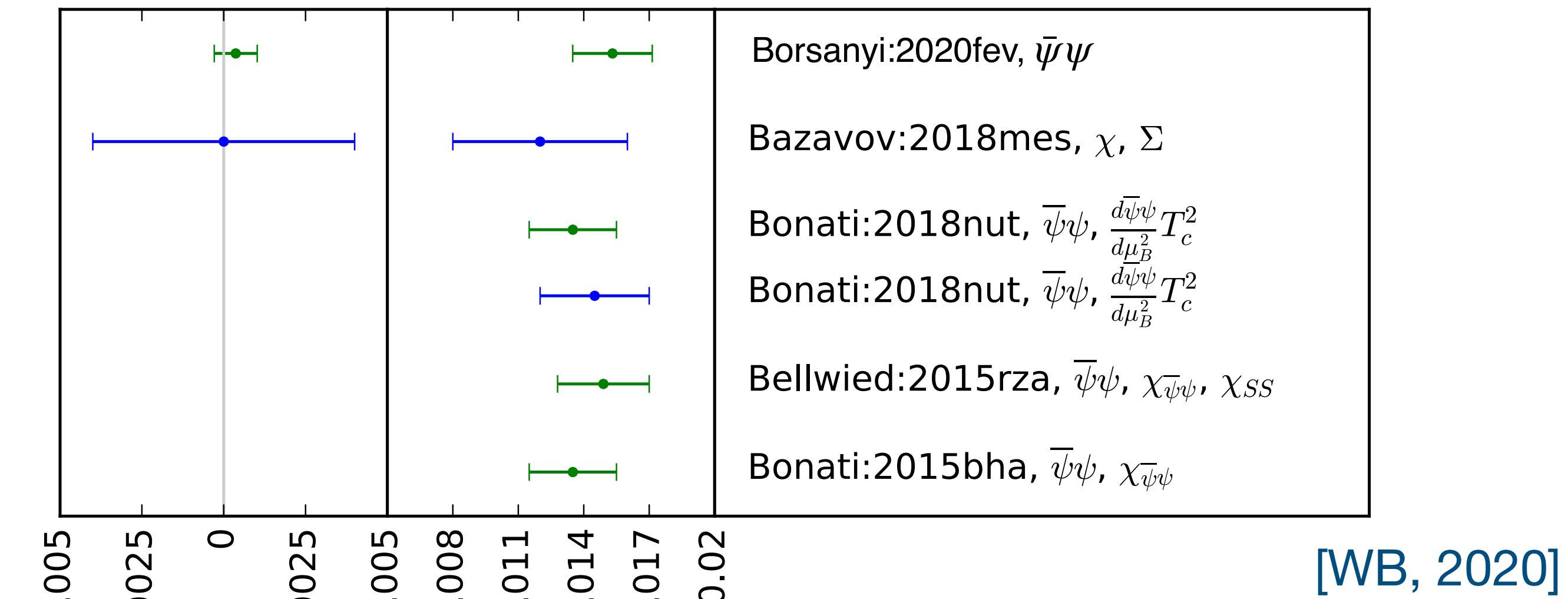
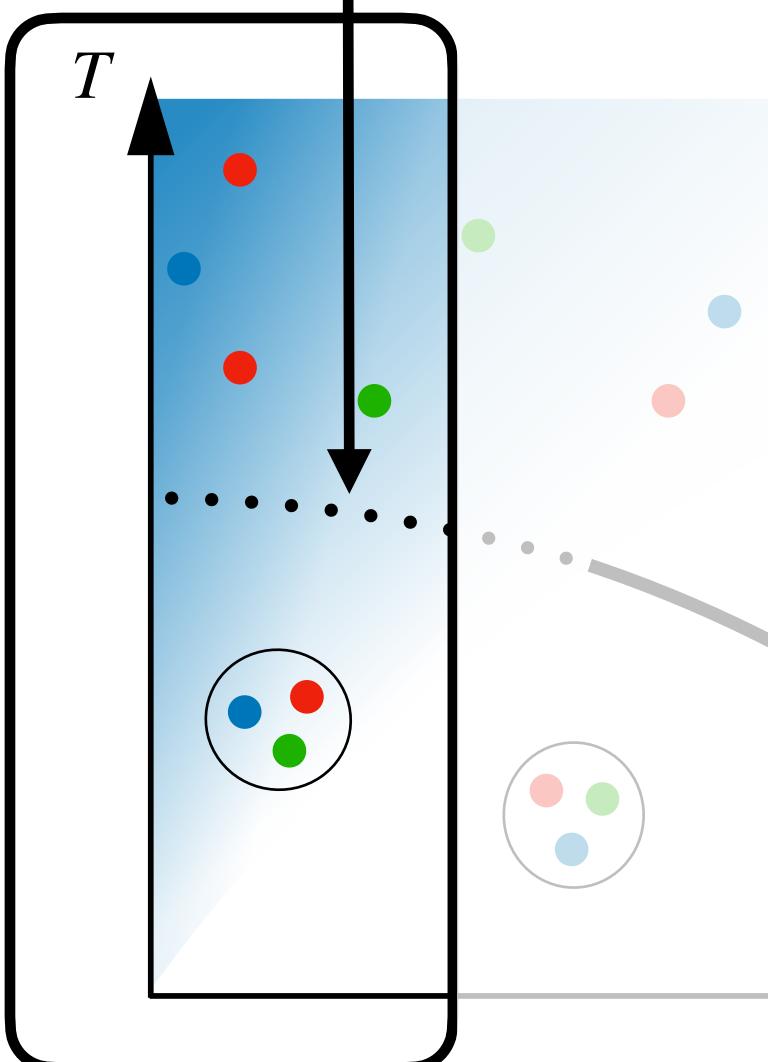
$$S = 0, \quad Q \approx 0.4B \longrightarrow \mu_{Q,S} \equiv \mu_{Q,S}(\mu_B)$$

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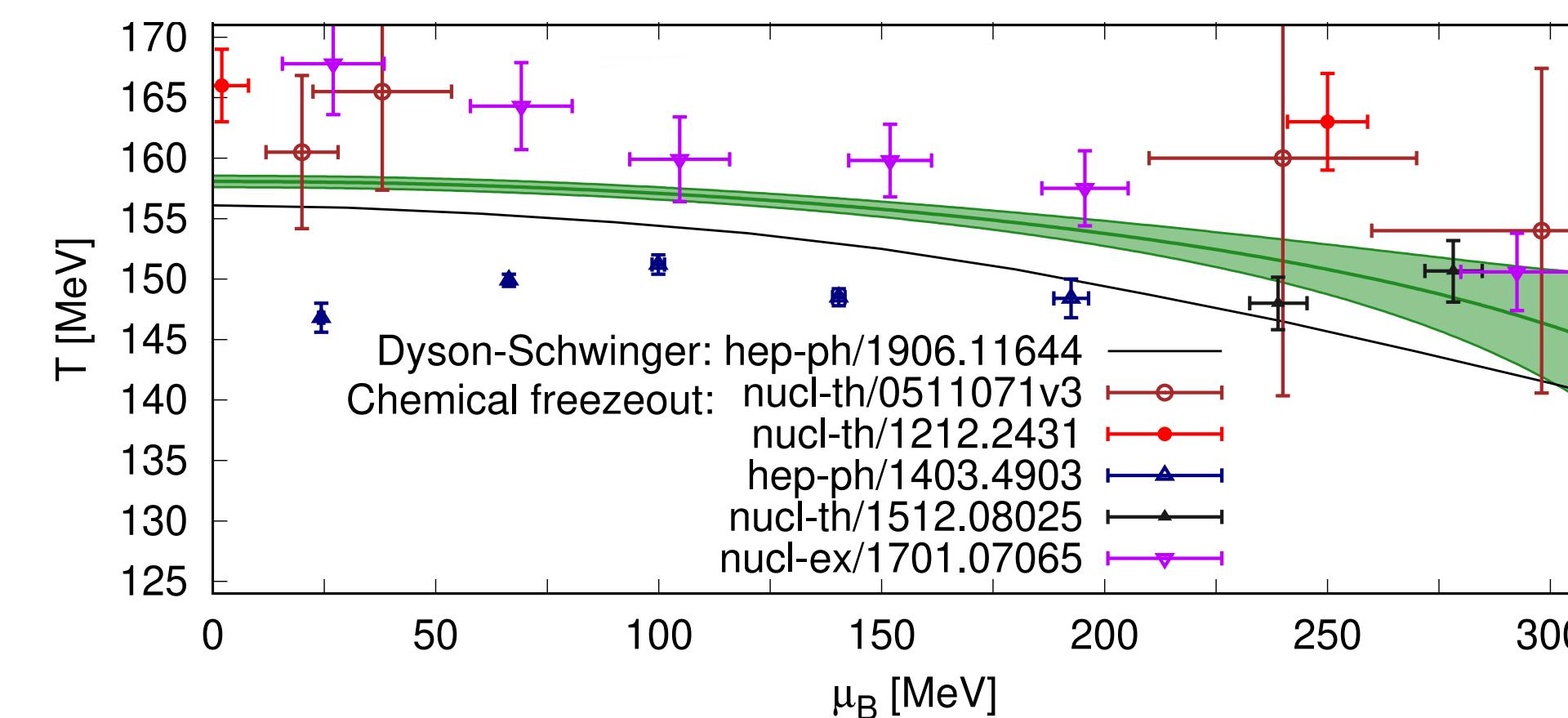
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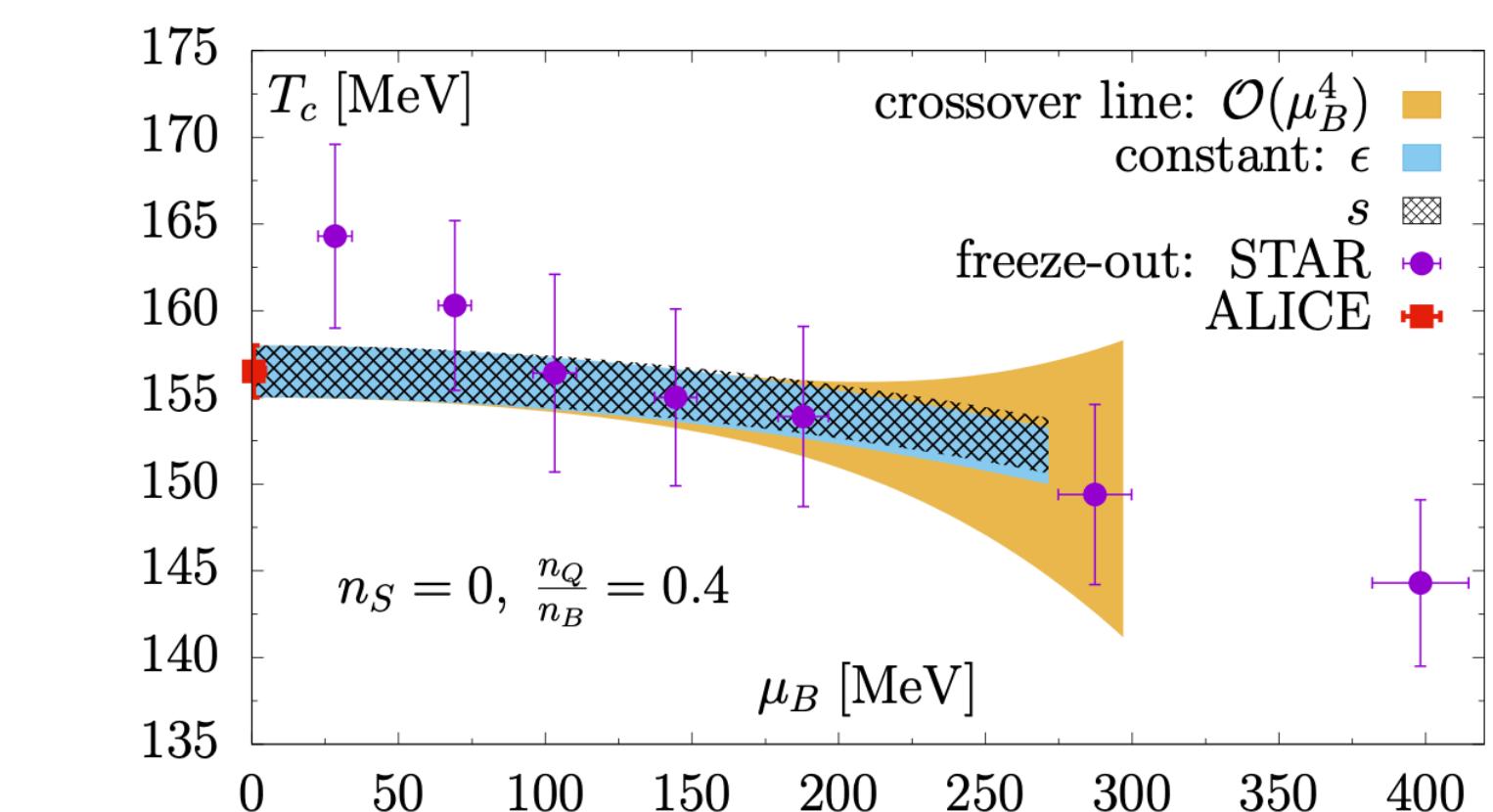
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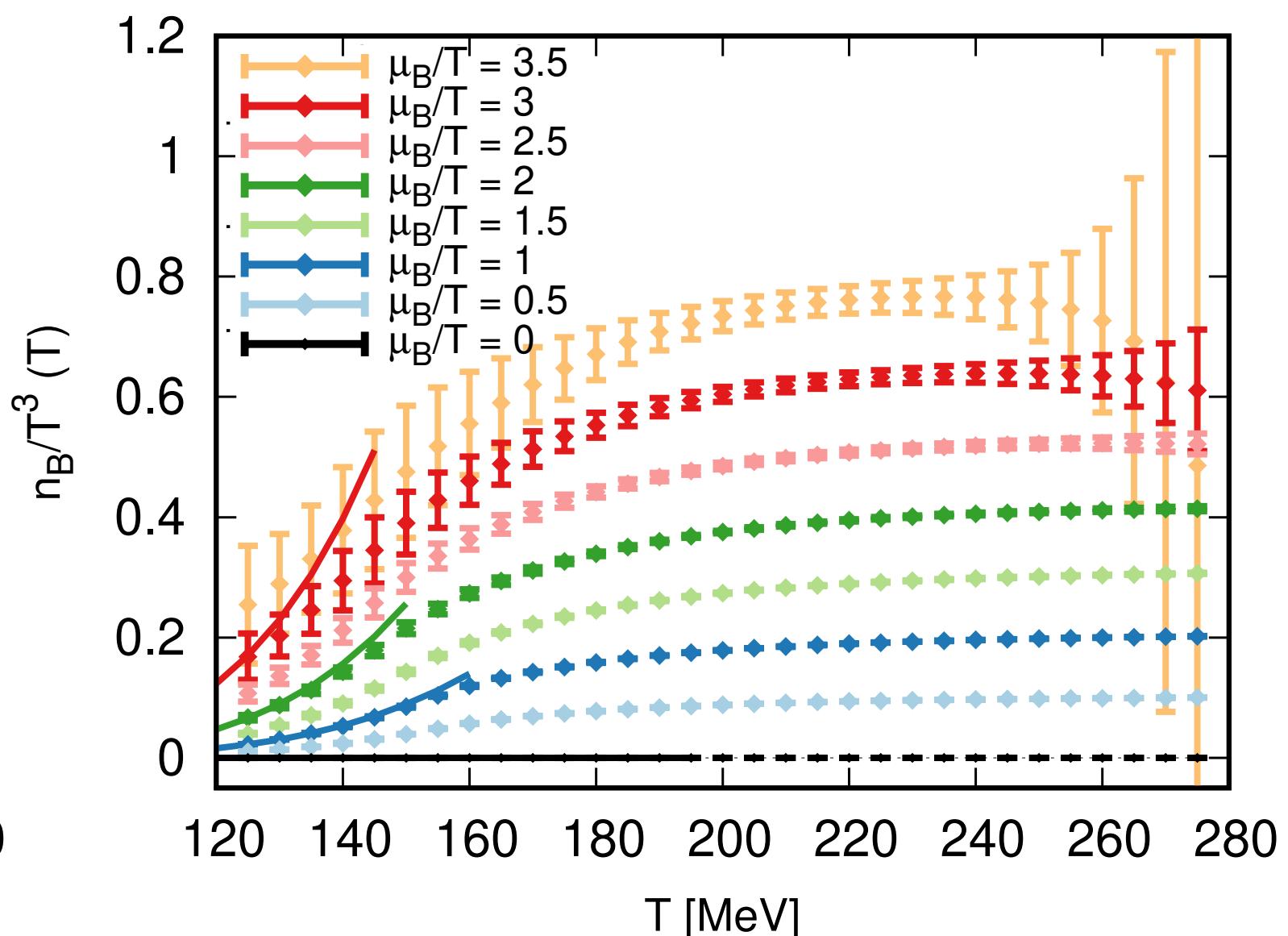
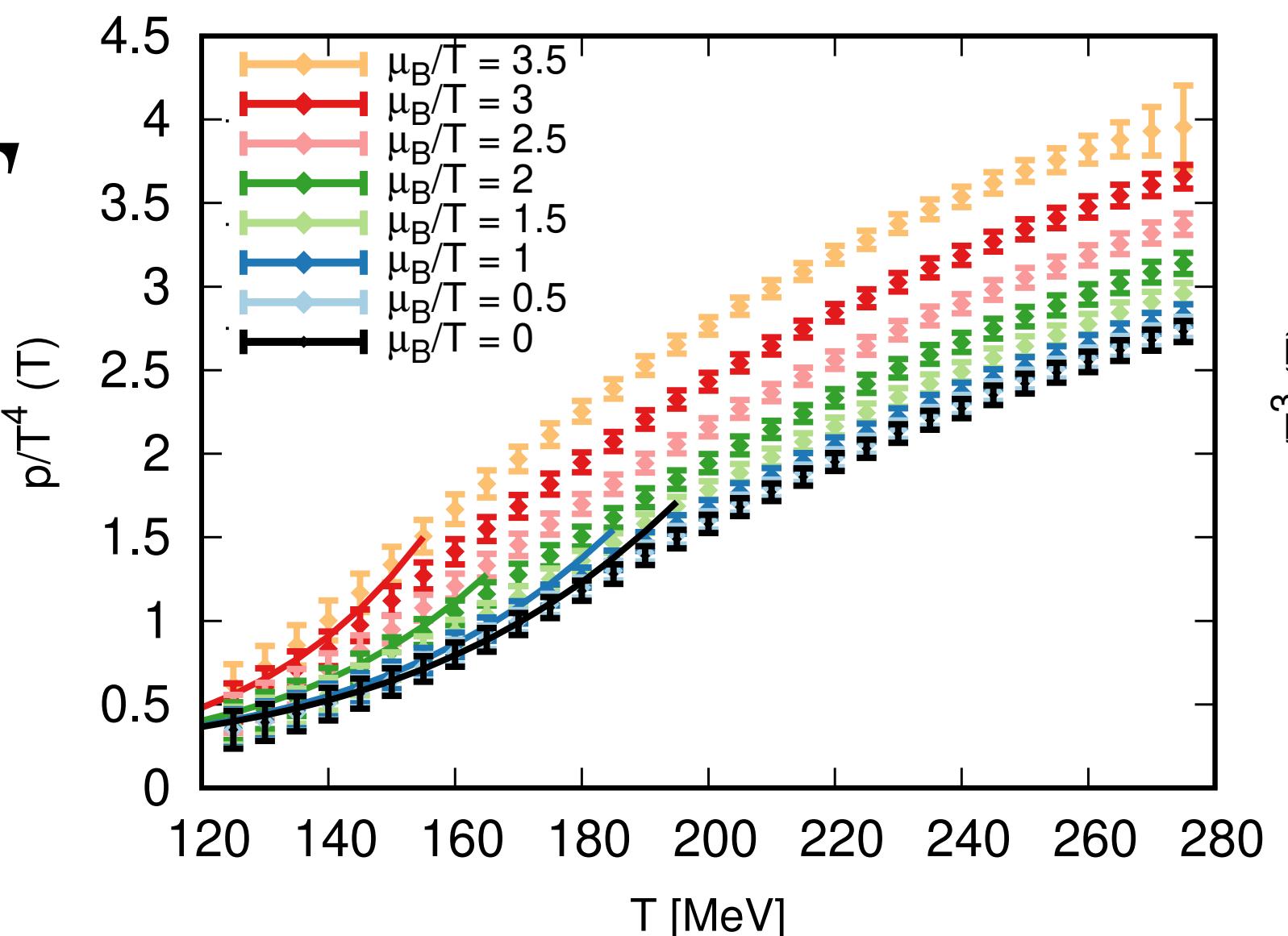
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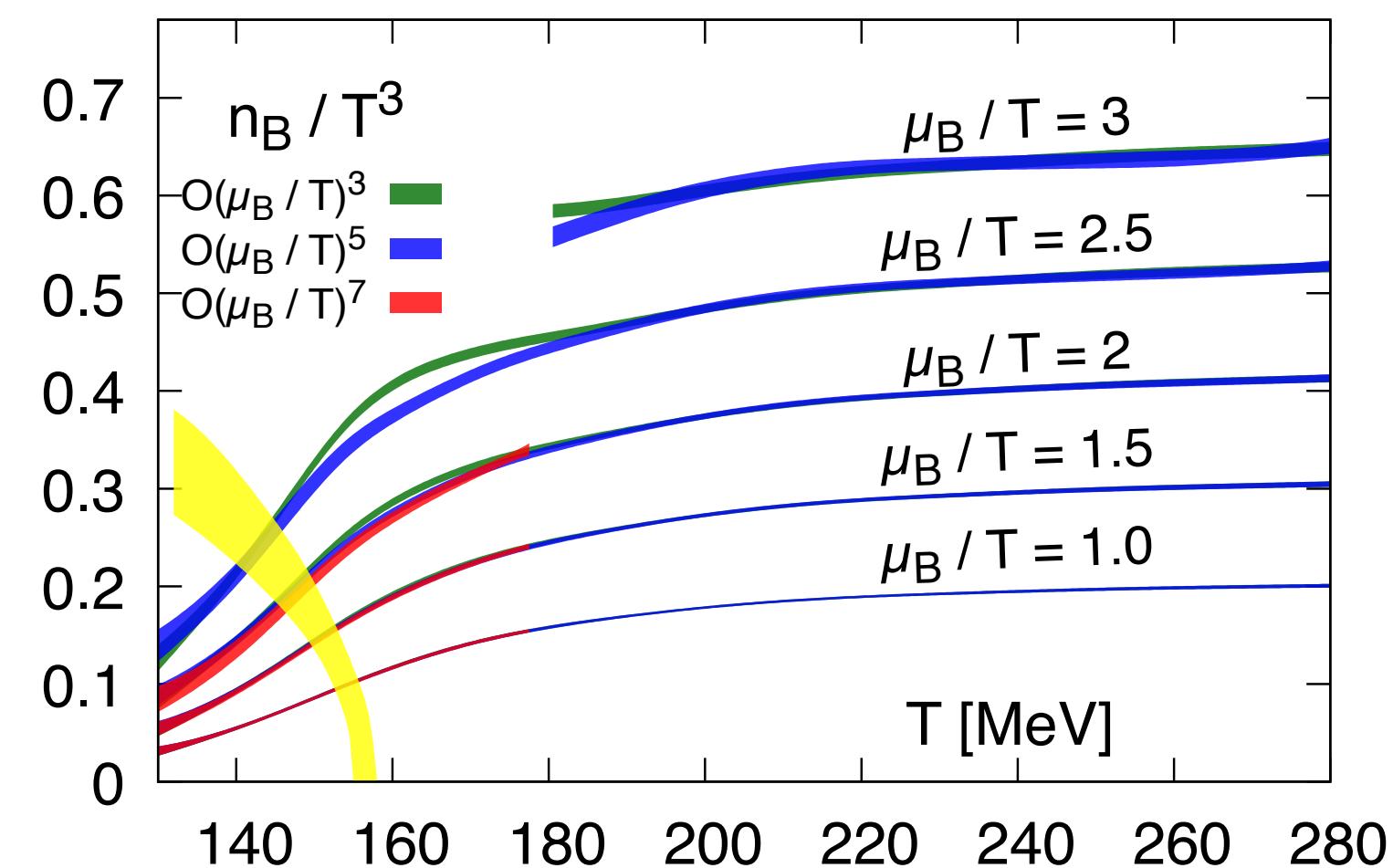
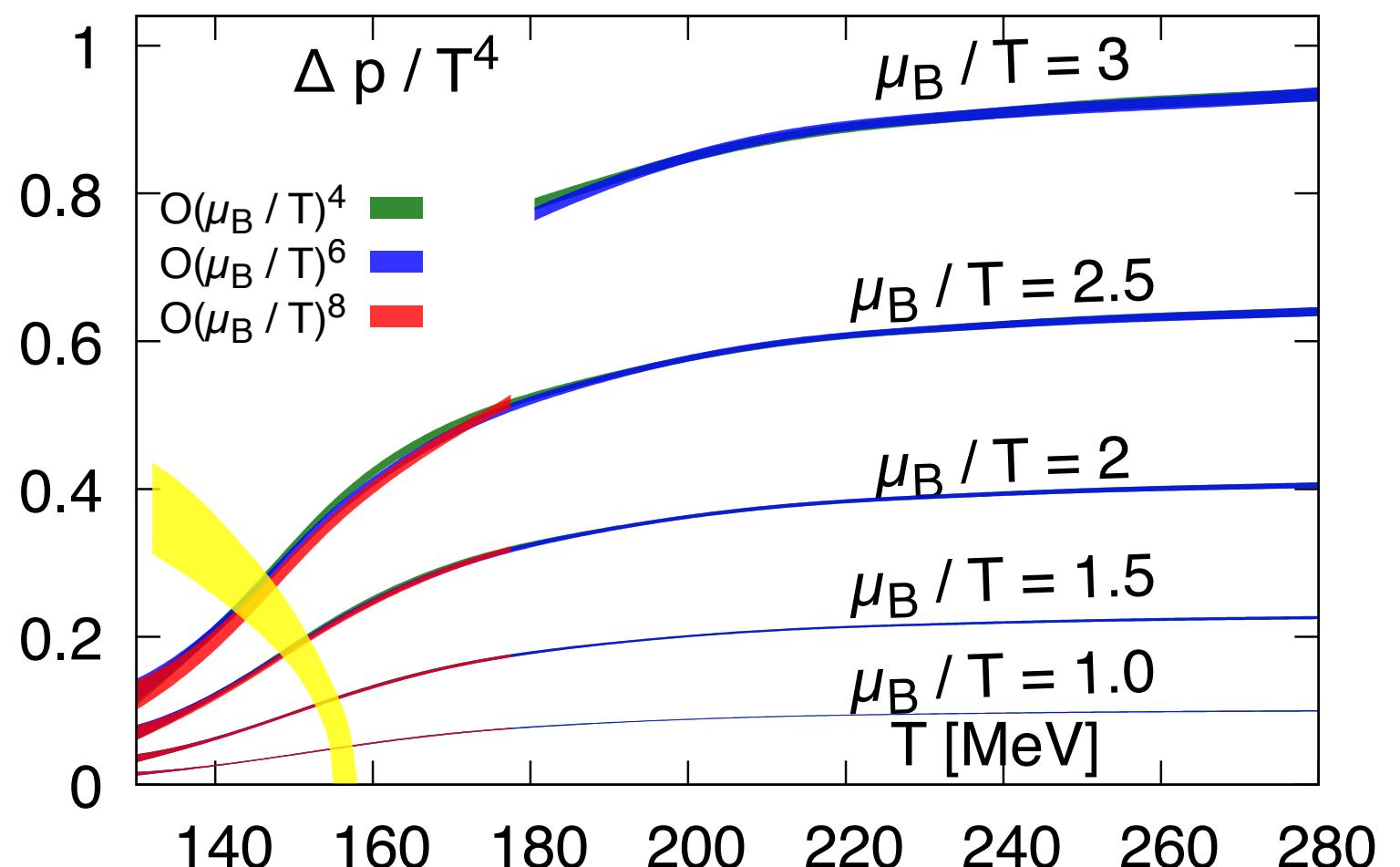
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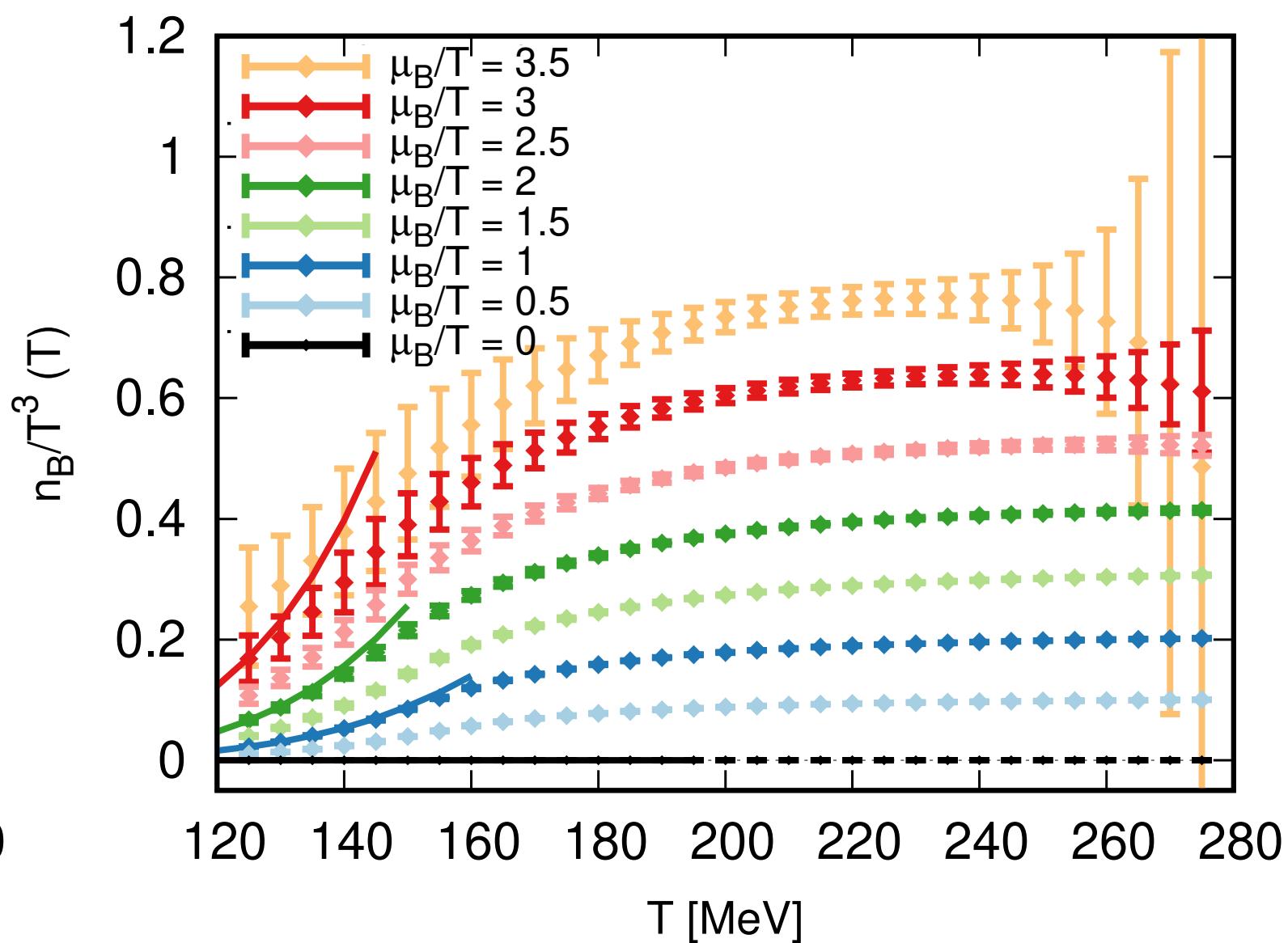
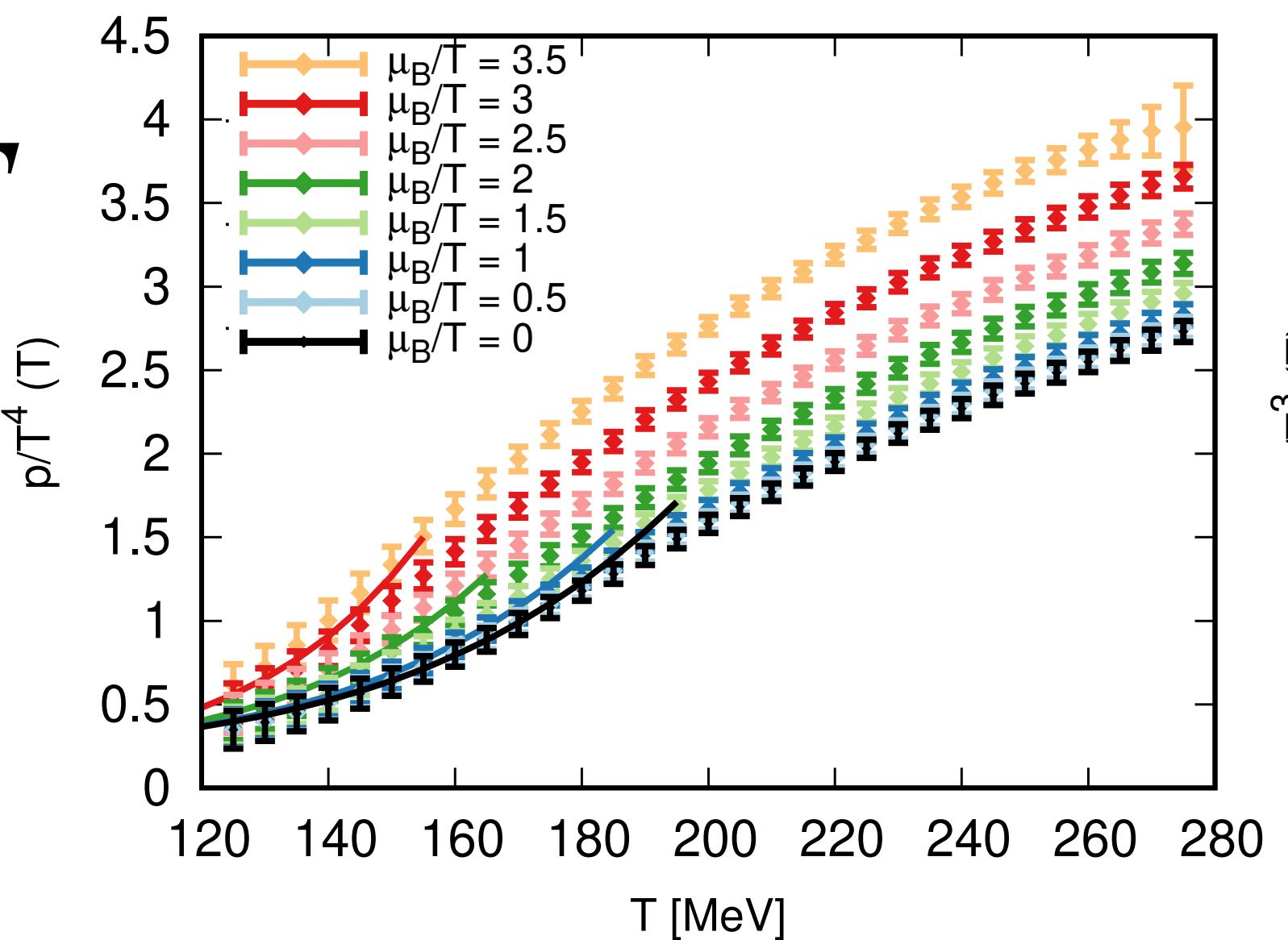
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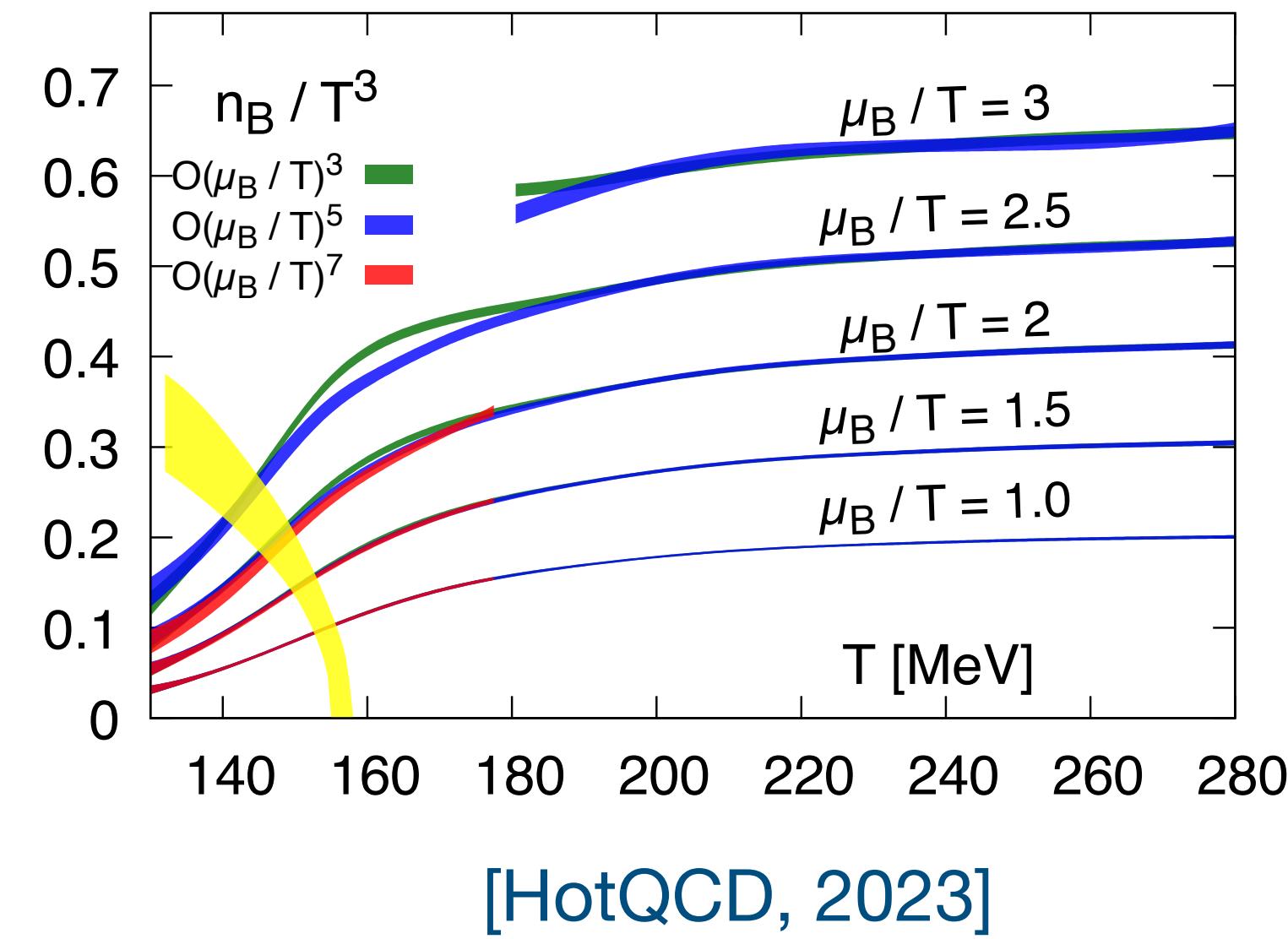
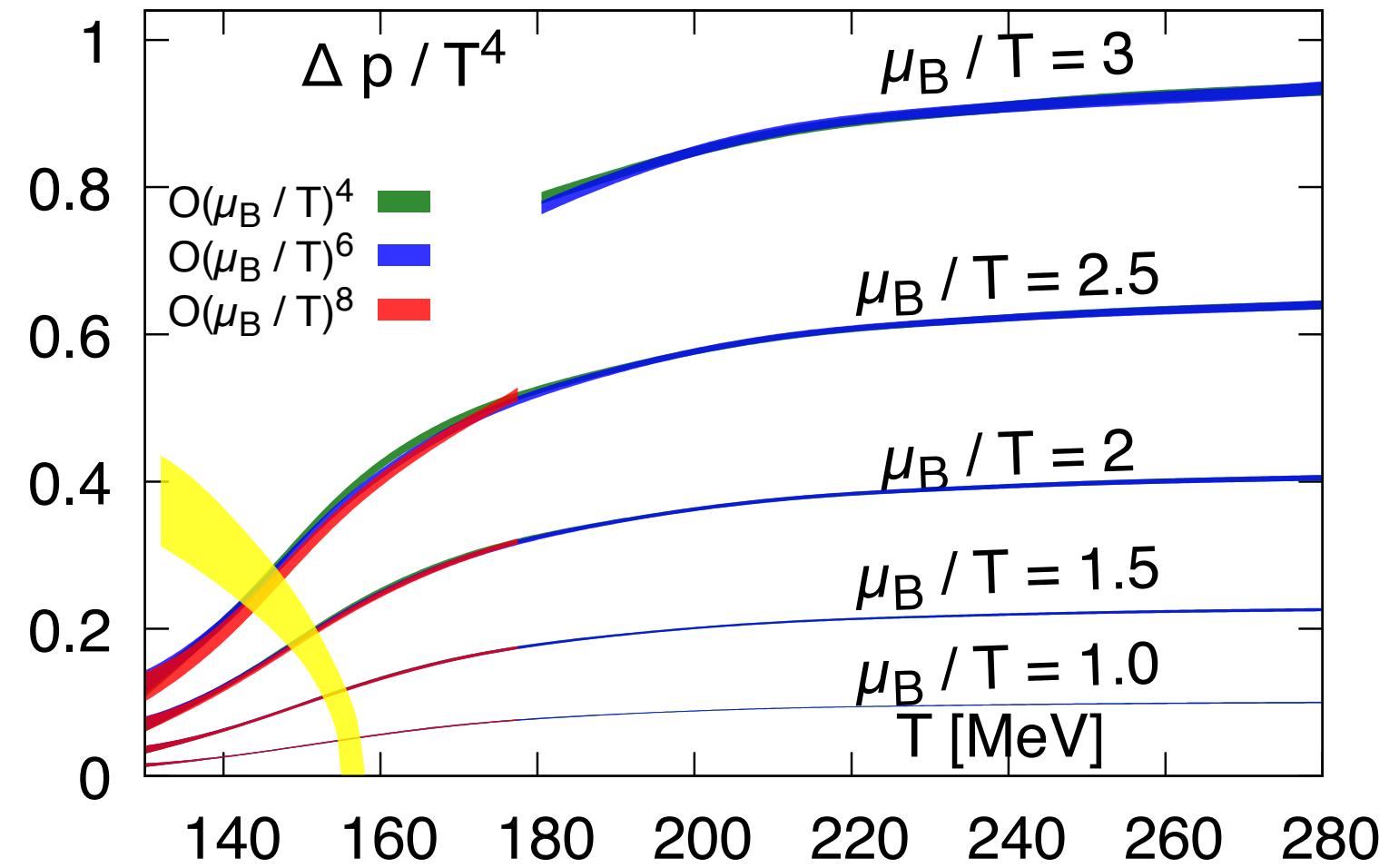
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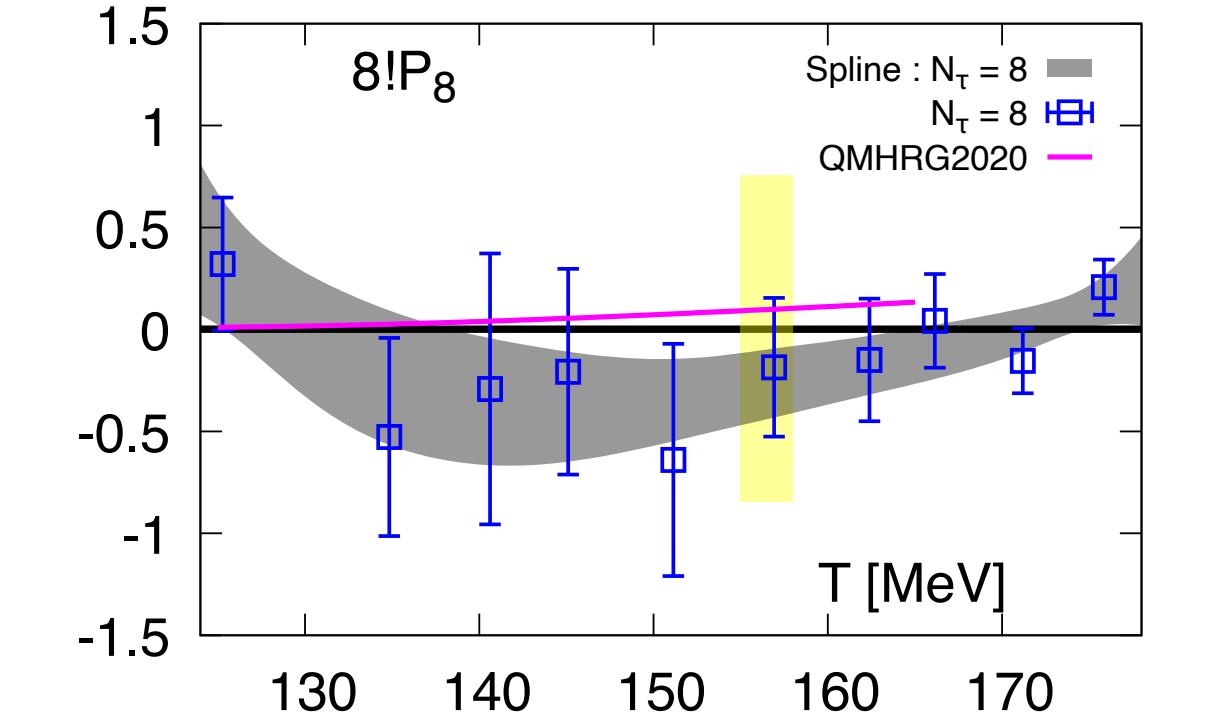
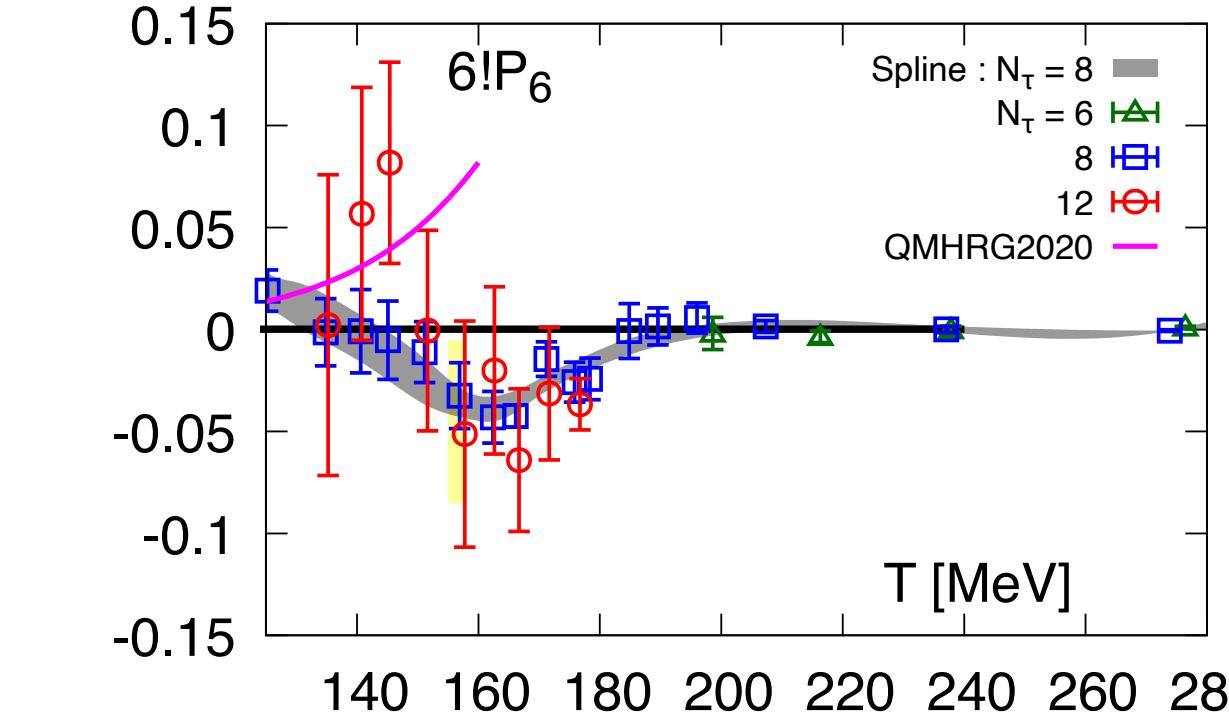
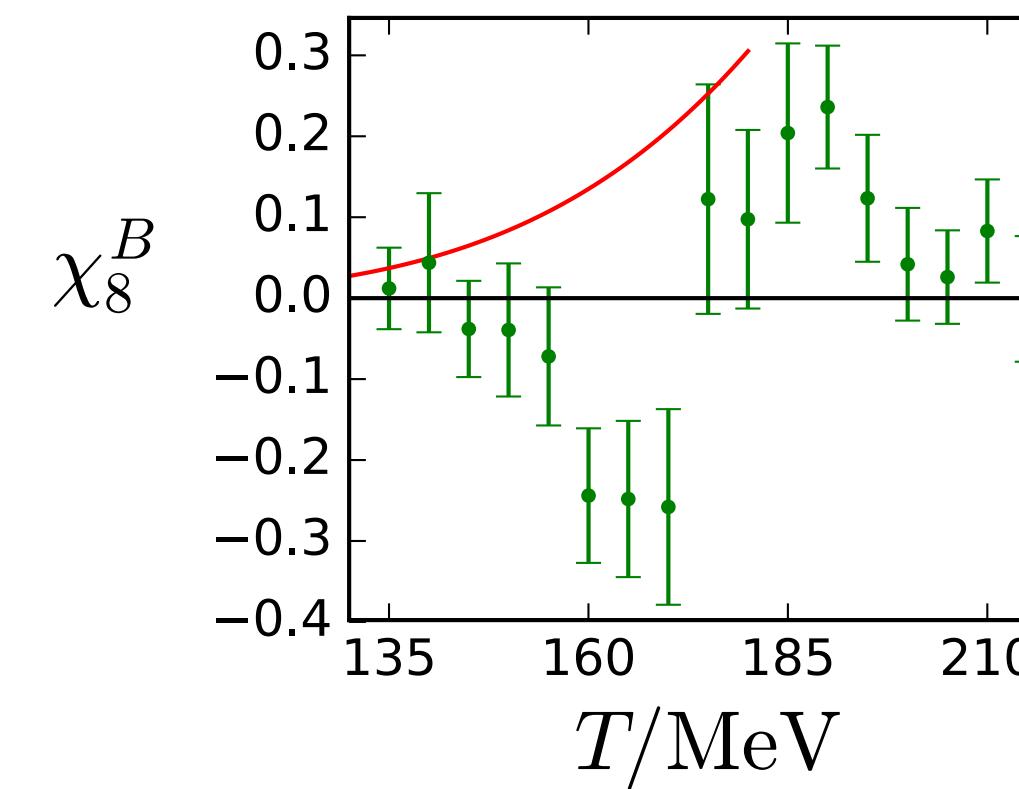
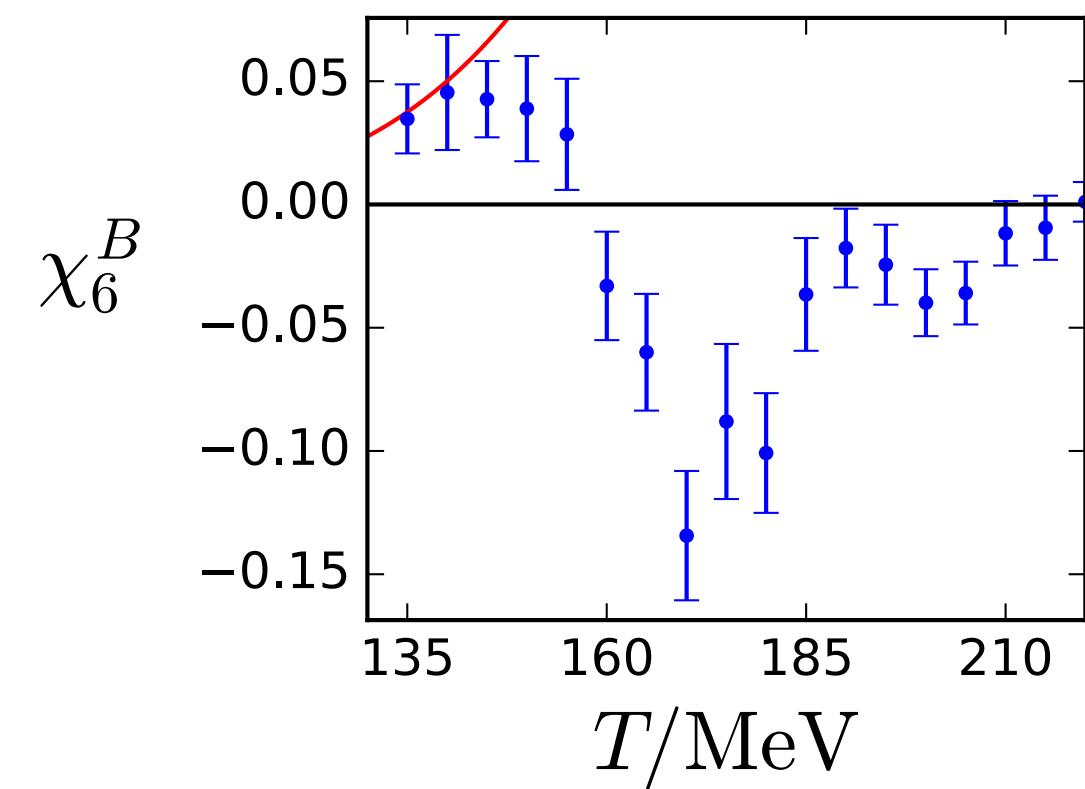
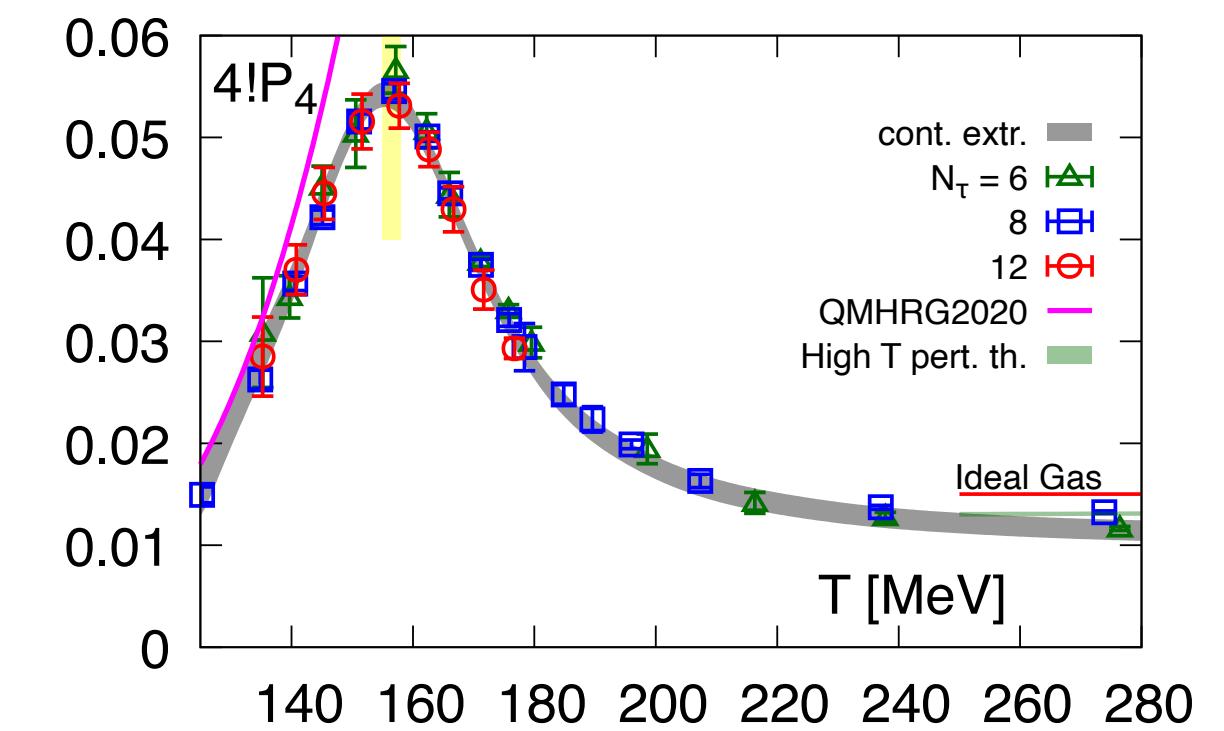
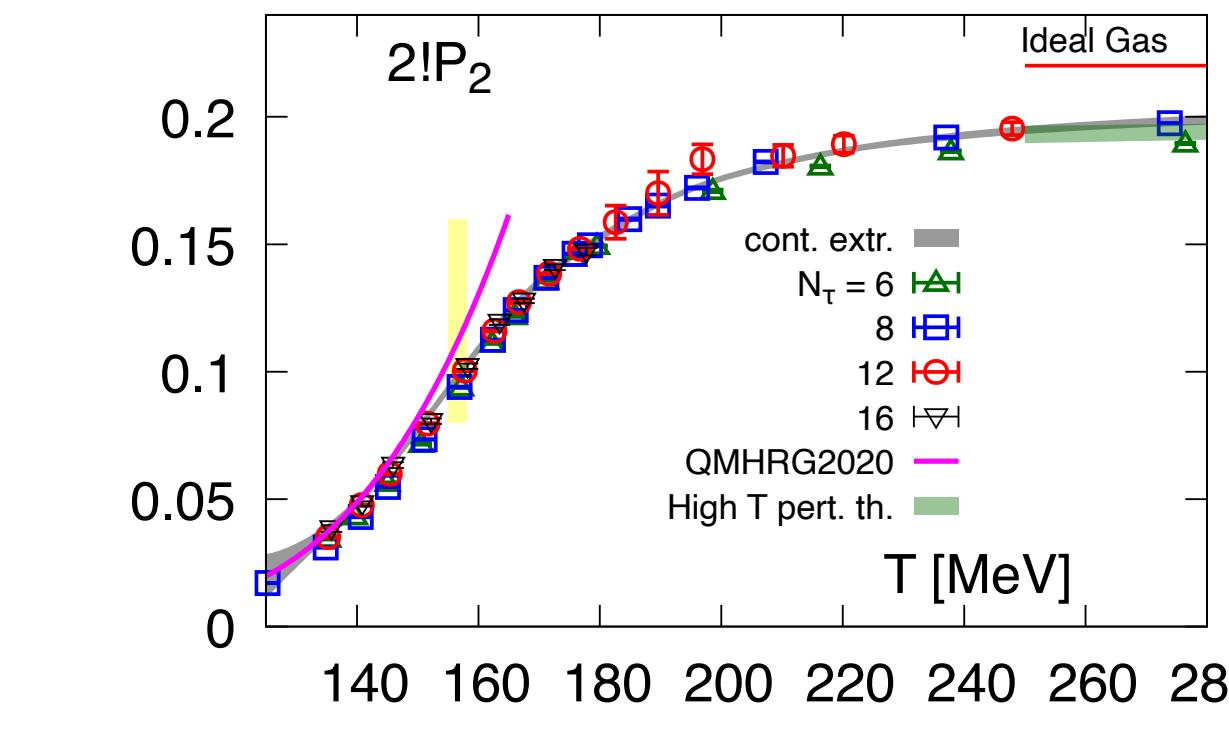
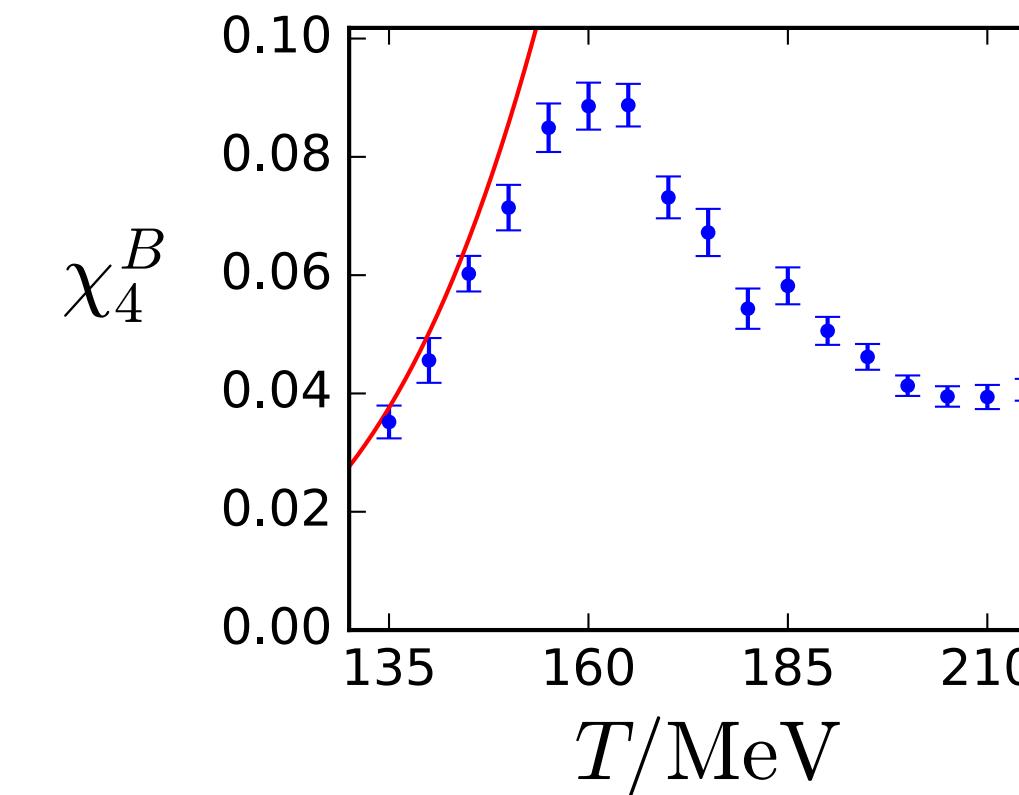
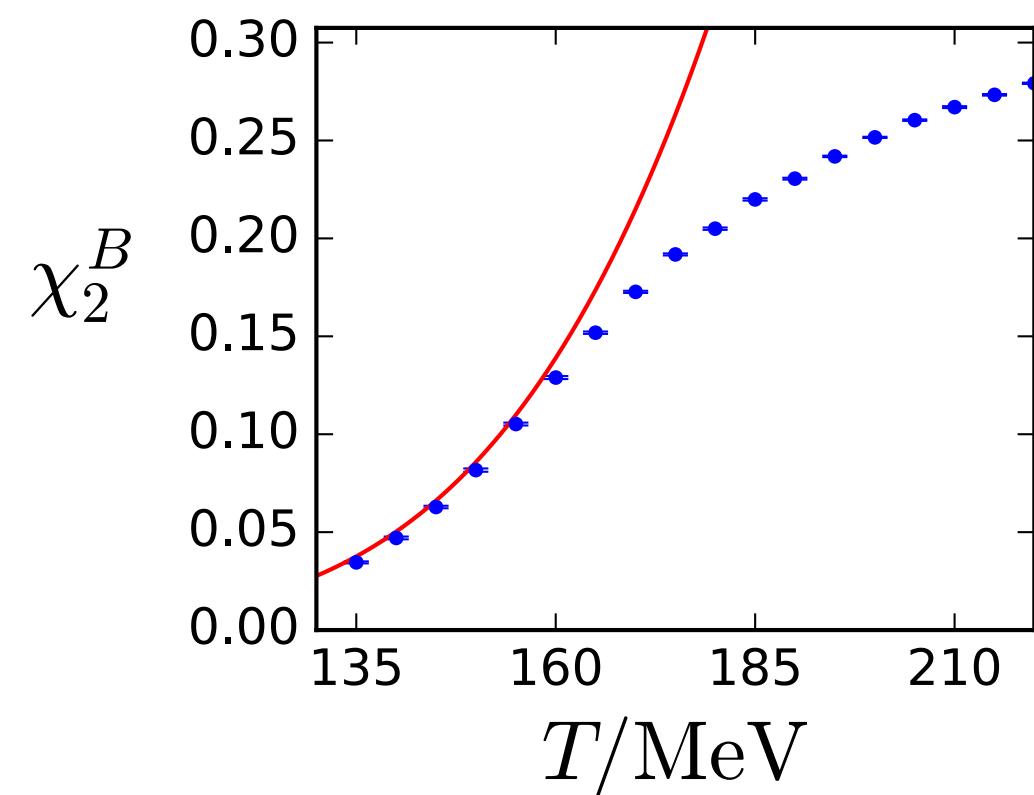
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Fluctuations of the conserved charges



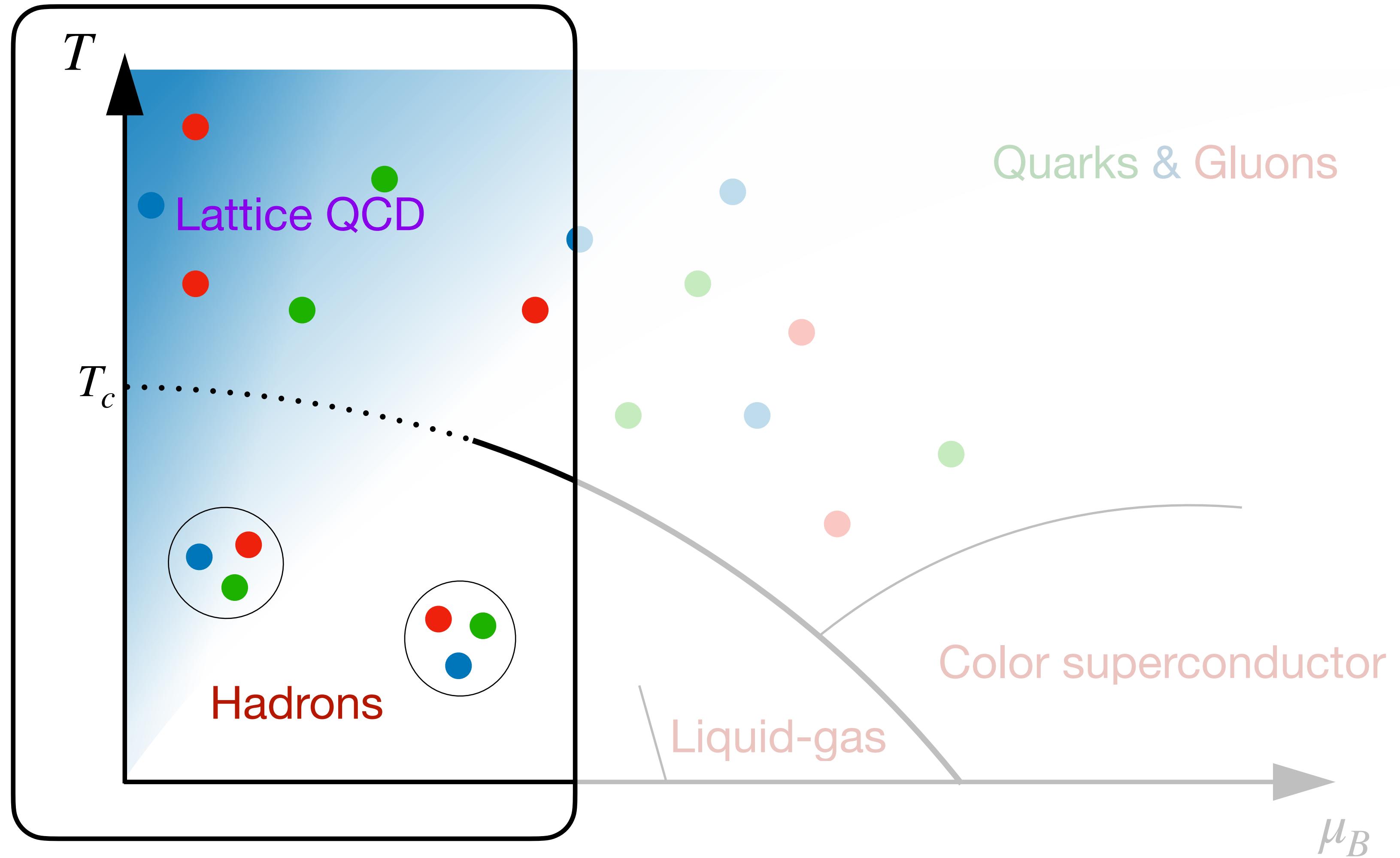
$\partial^{i+j+k}(p/T^4)$ [WB, 2021]

$$\chi_{i,j,k}^{B,Q,S} = \frac{\partial^{i+j+k}(p/T^4)}{\partial^i(\mu_B/T)\partial^j(\mu_Q/T)\partial^k(\mu_S/T)}$$

$$\chi_1^B \sim \langle B \rangle \quad \chi_2^B \sim \langle B^2 \rangle - \langle B \rangle^2$$

B,S: 2,4,6,8 order
Q: large artifacts

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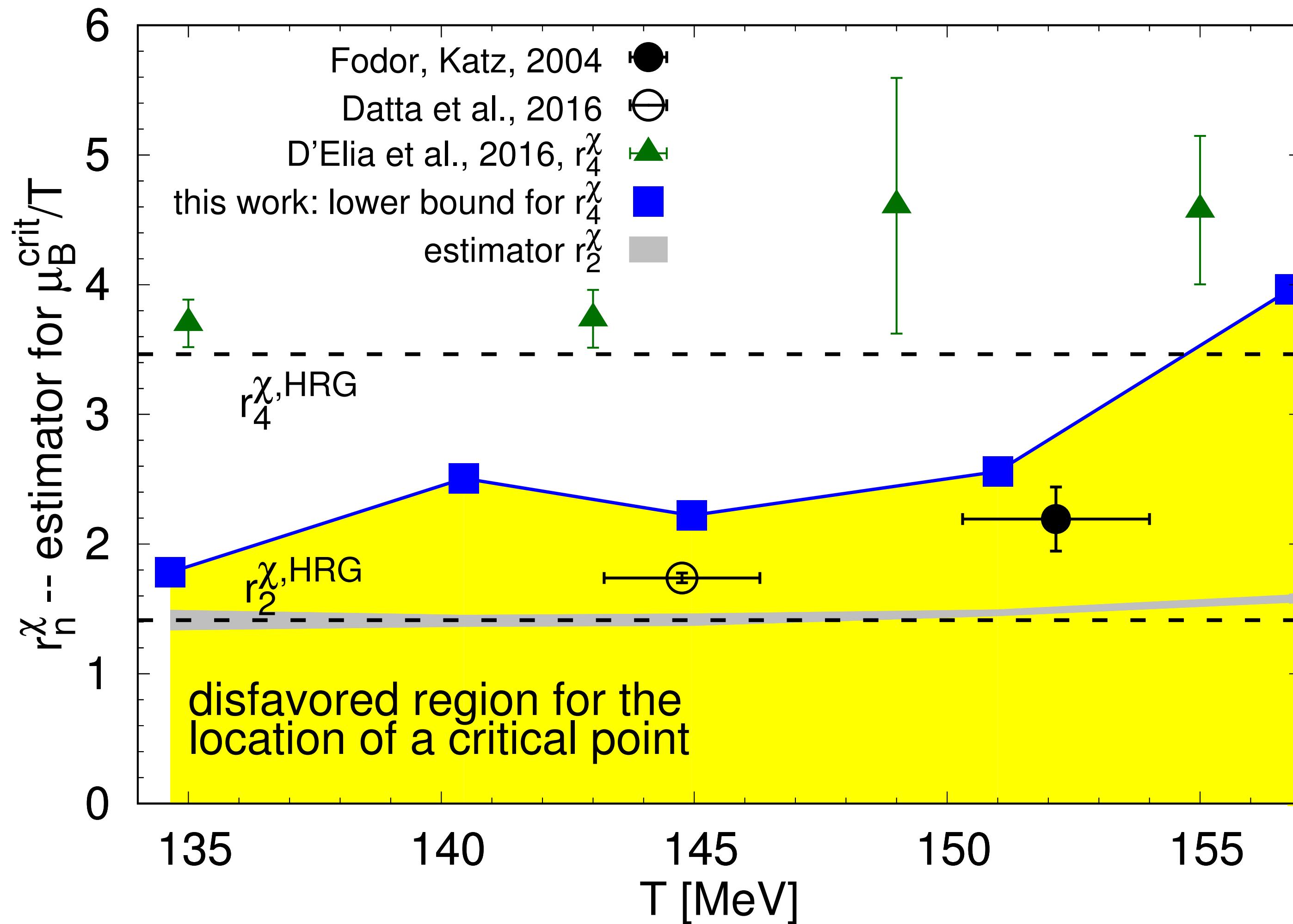
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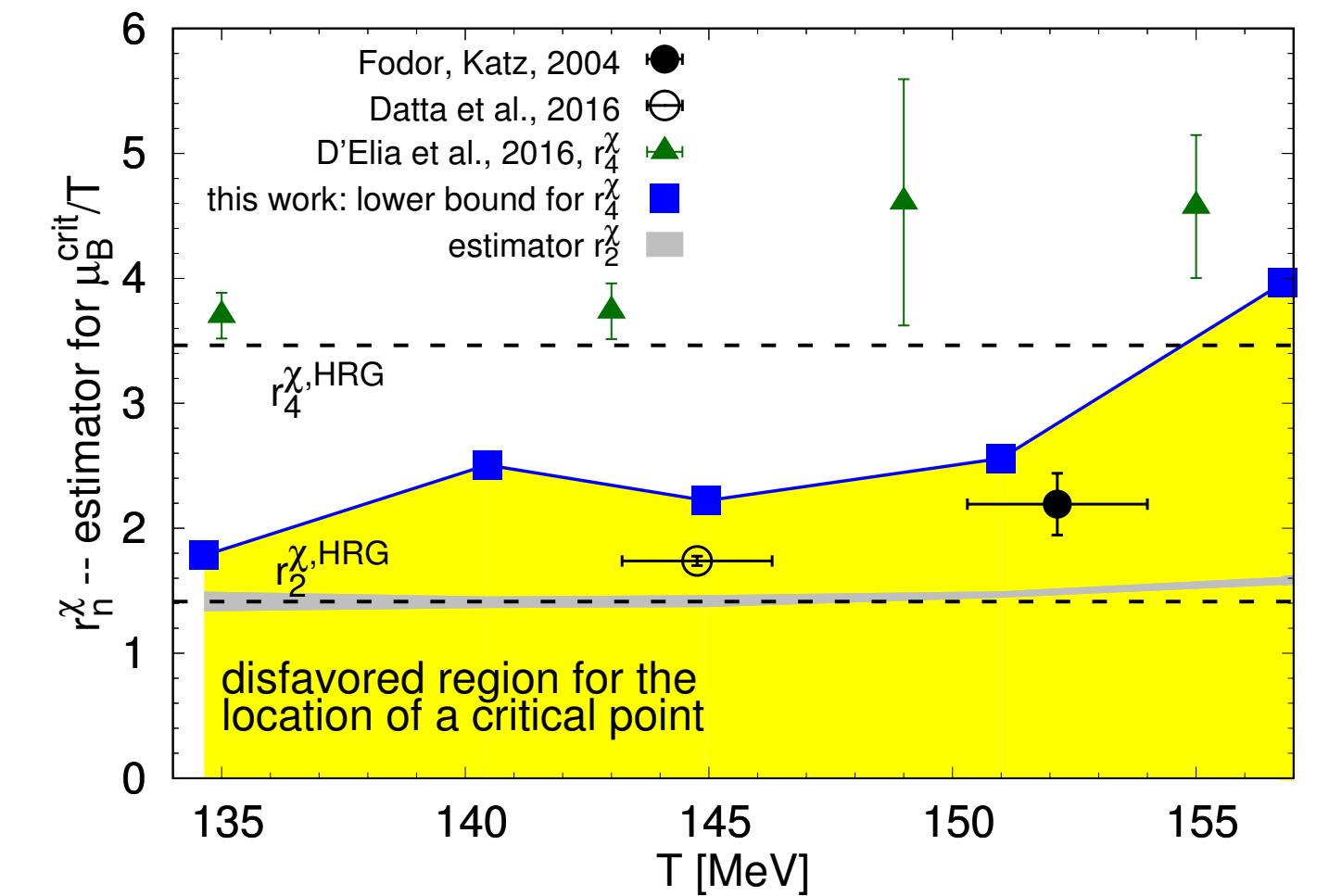
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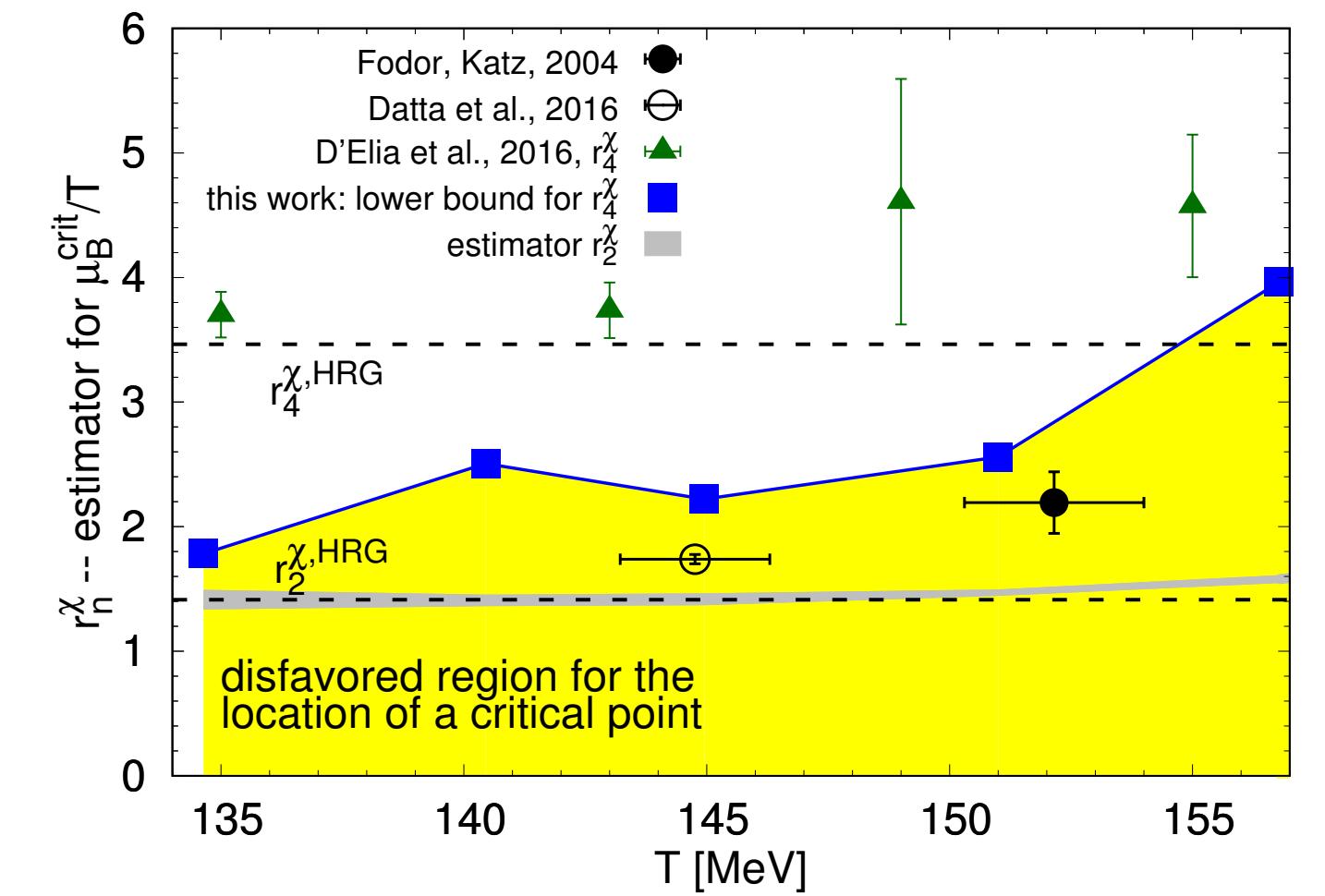


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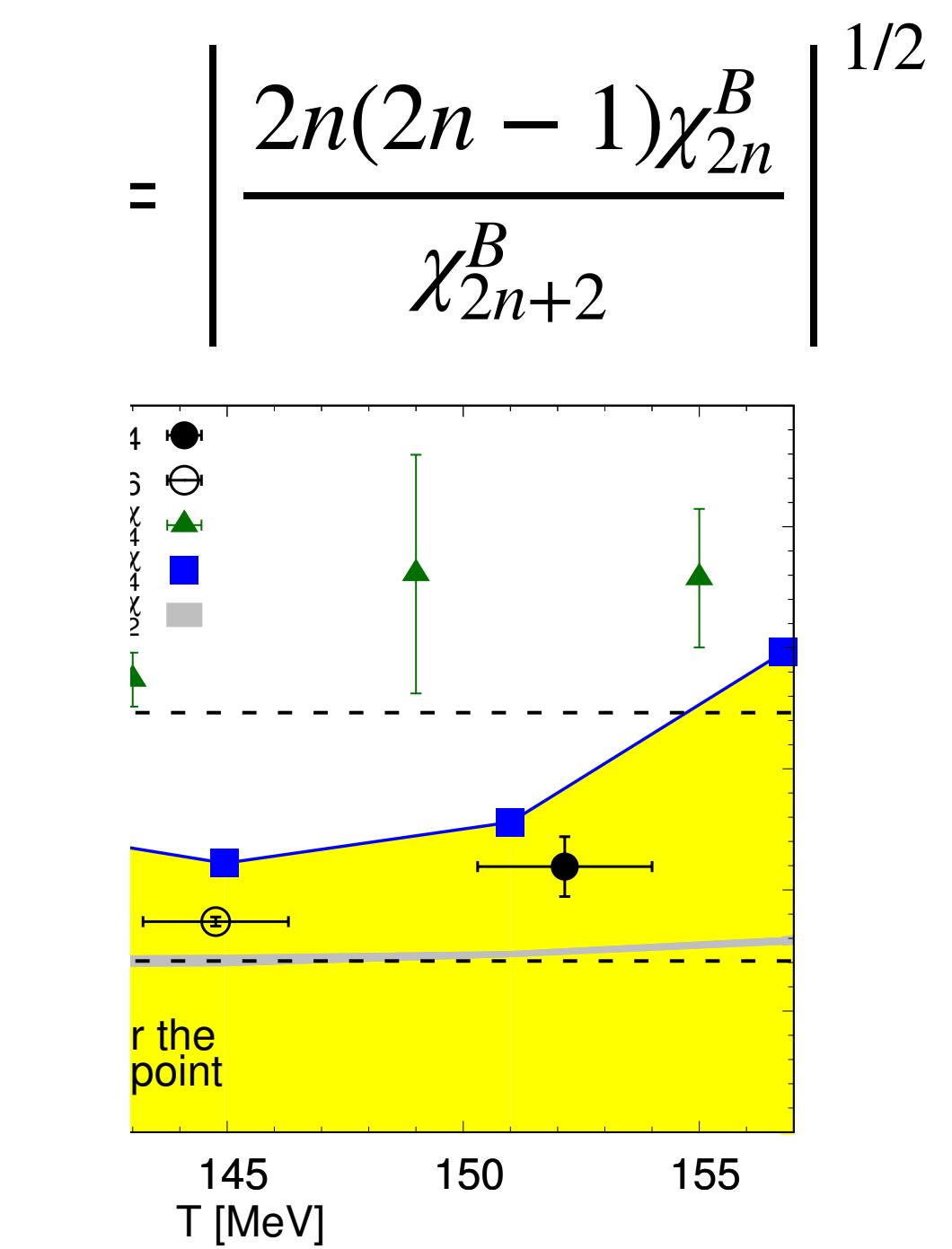
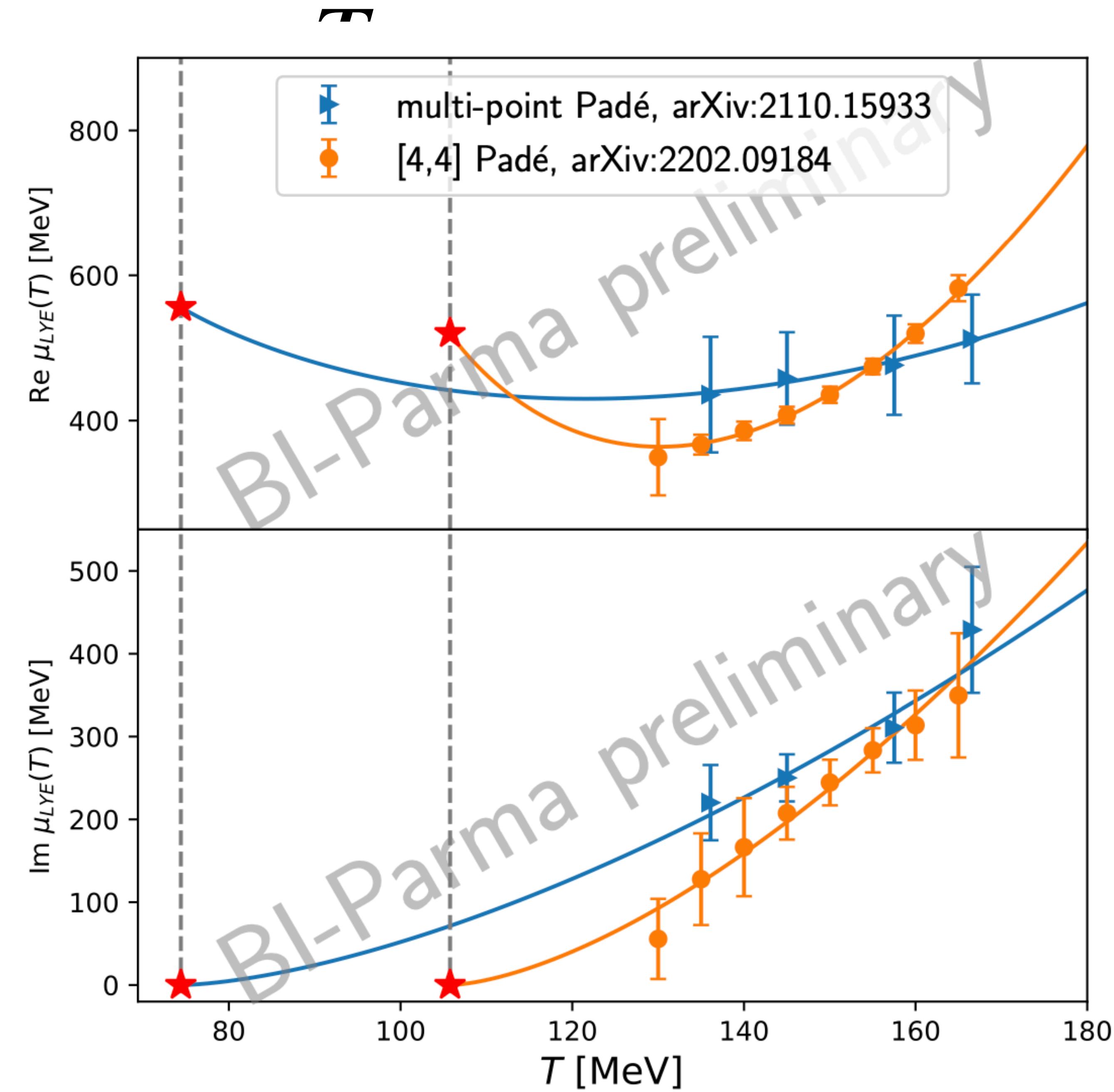
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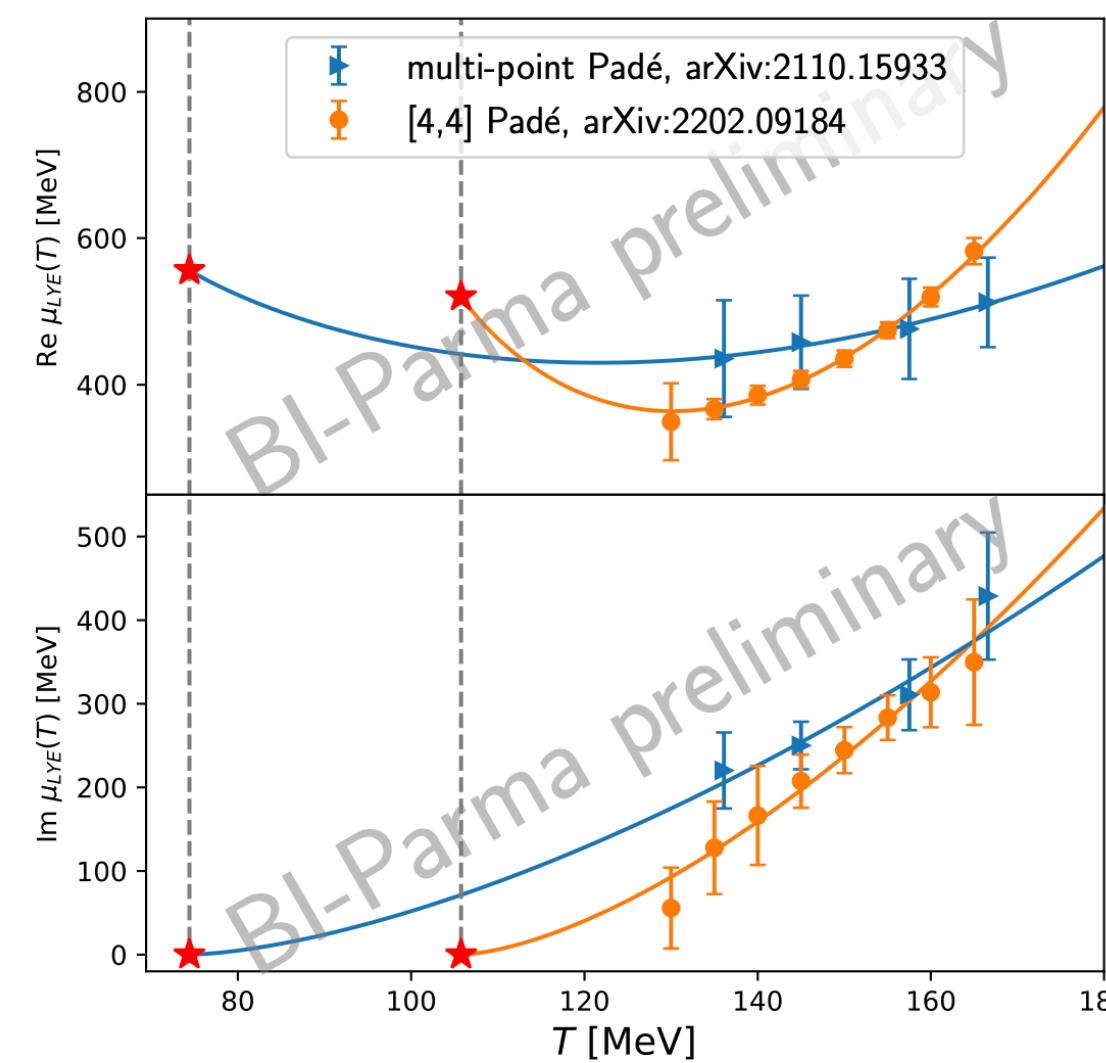
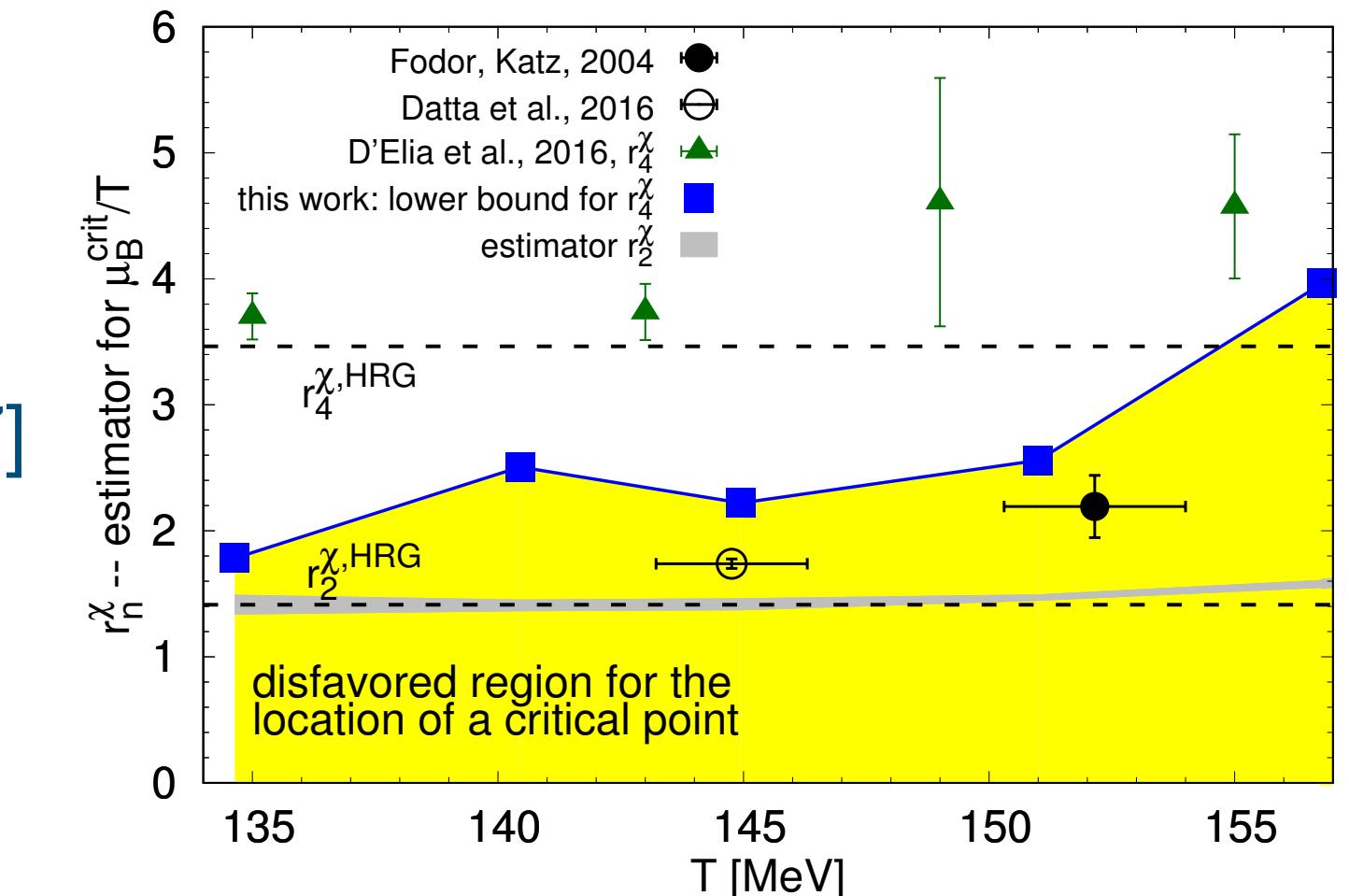
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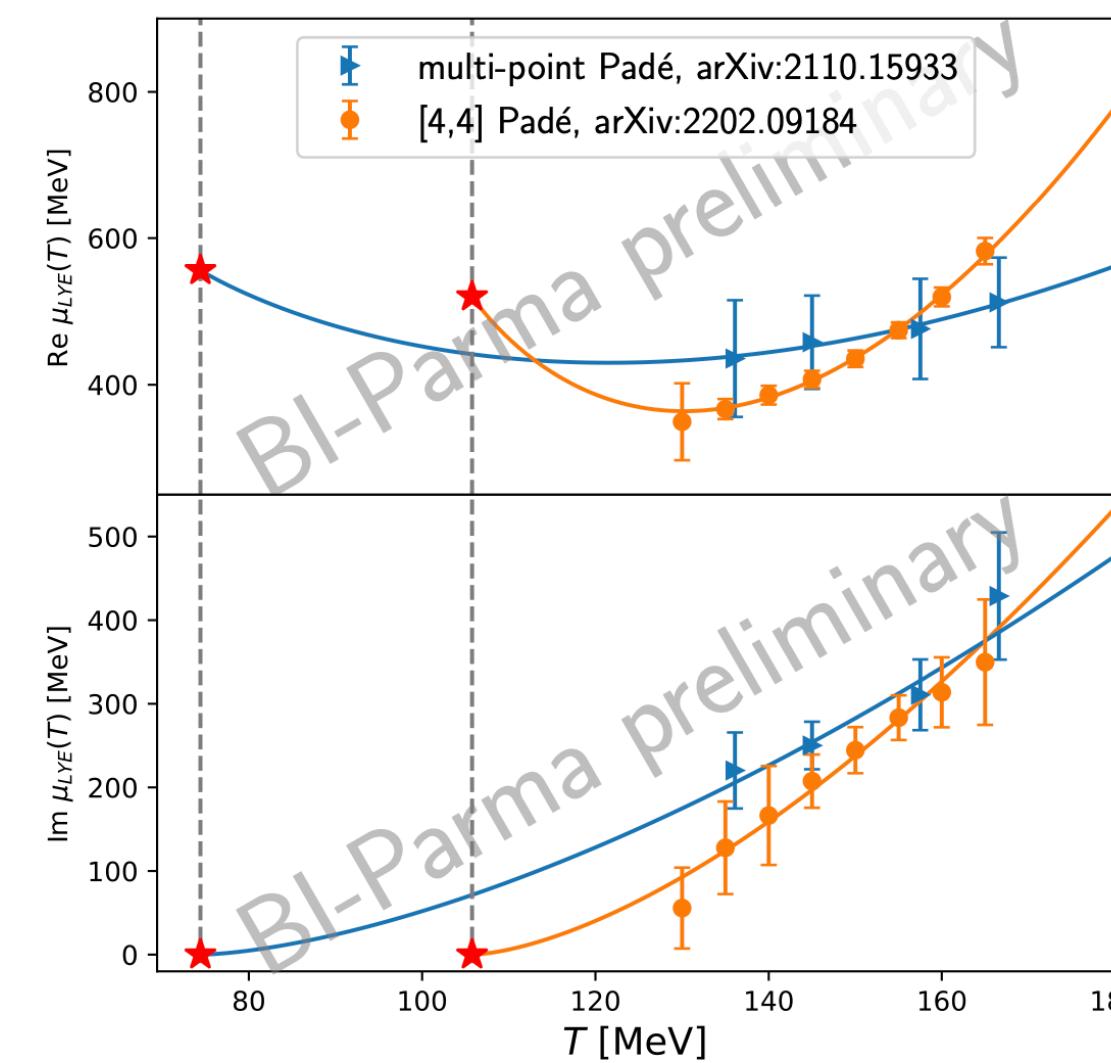
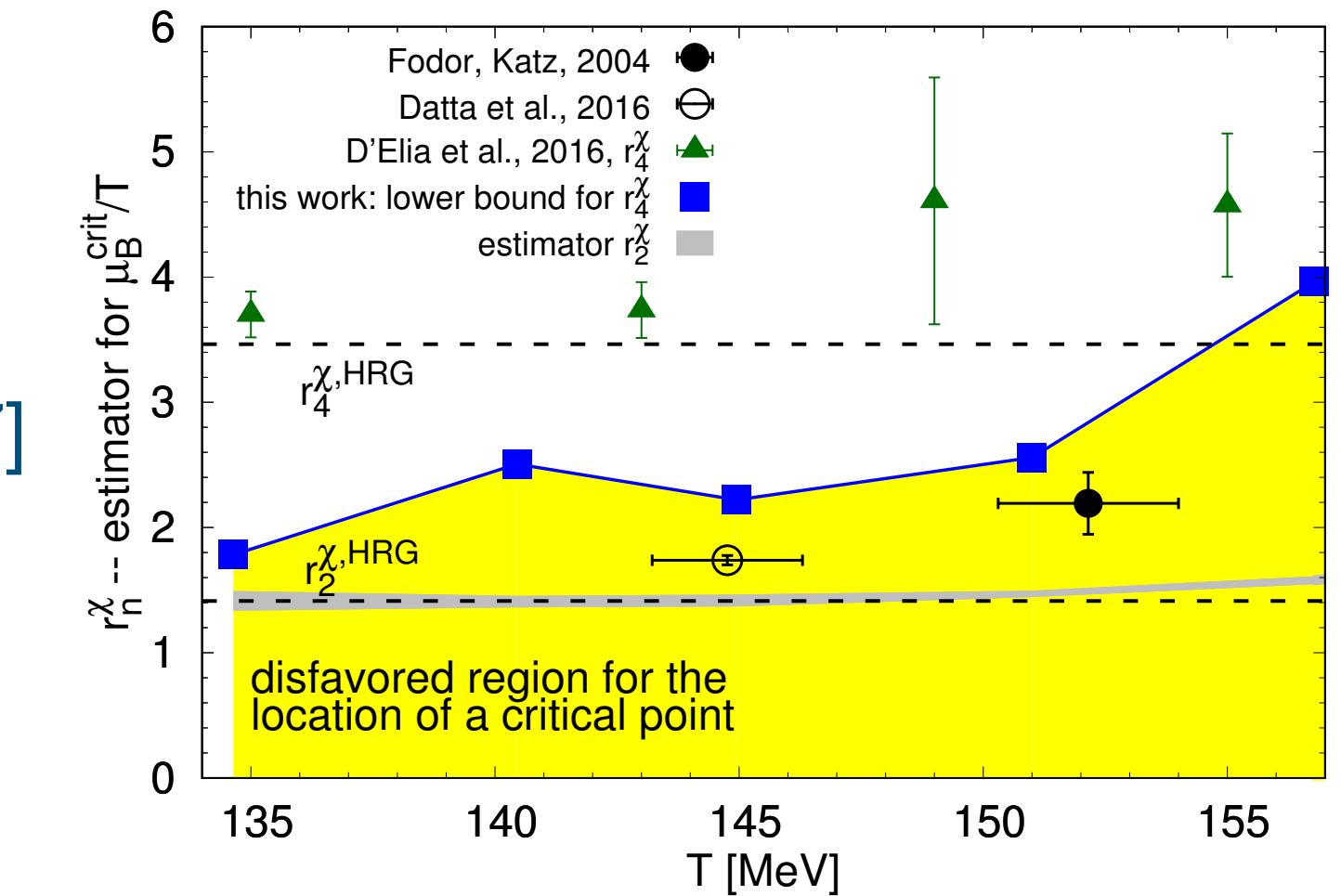
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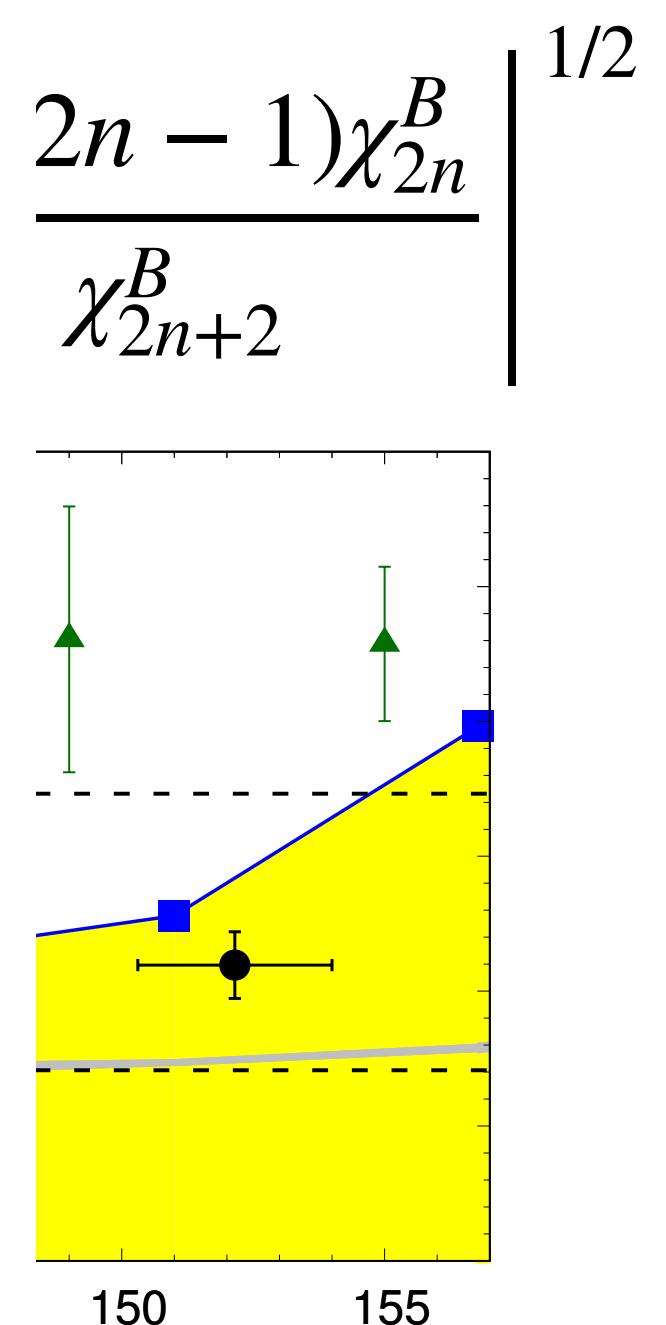
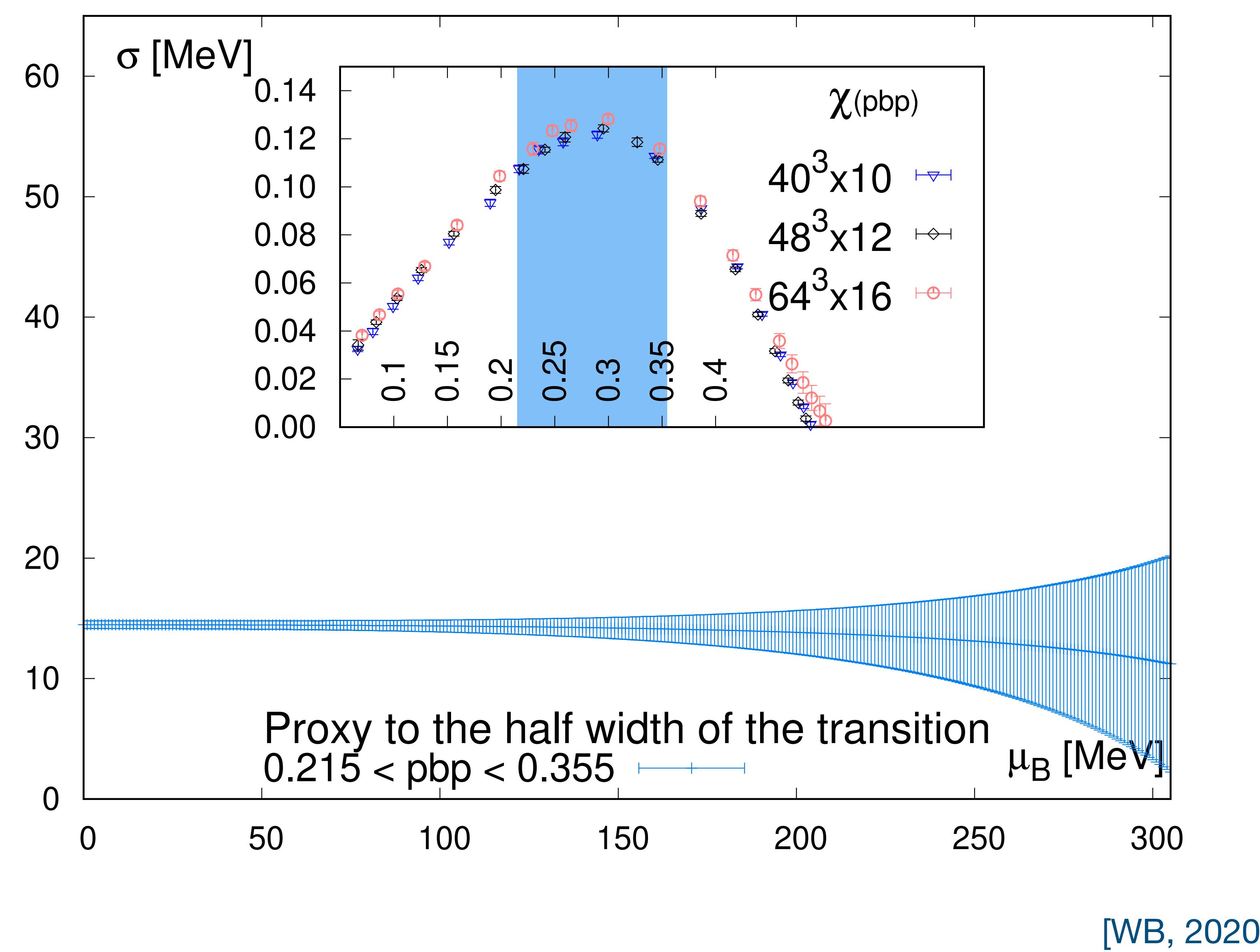
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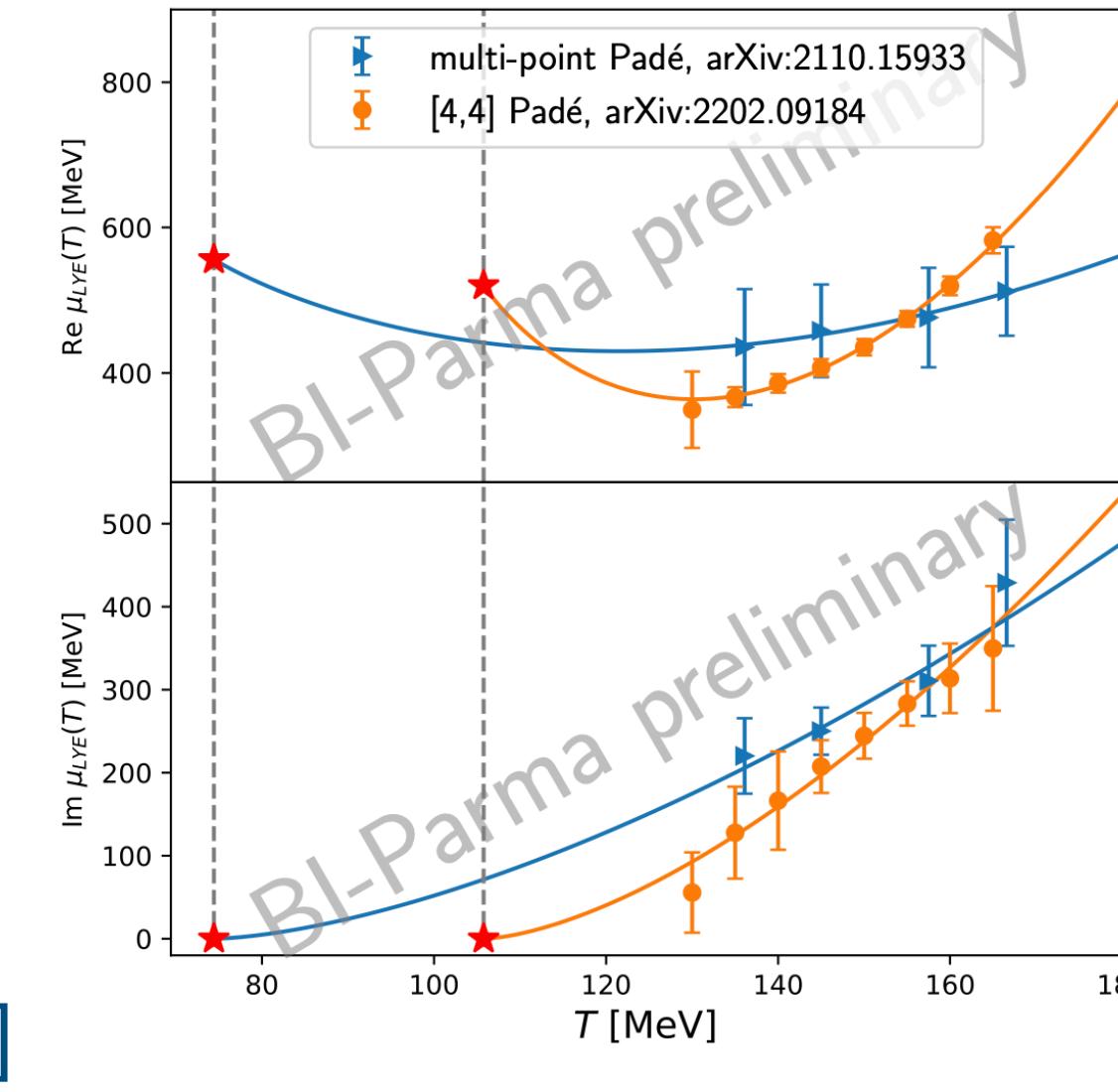
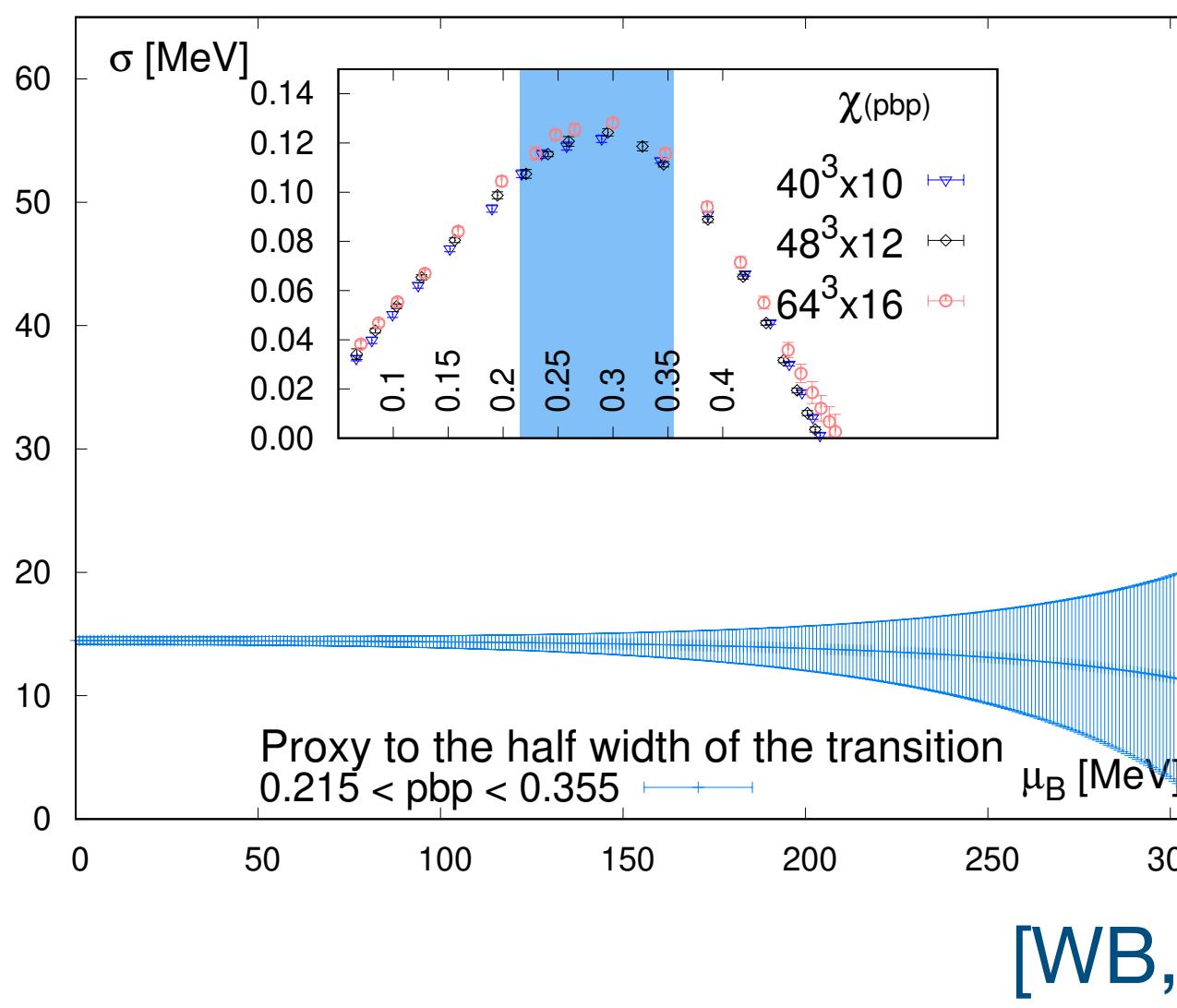
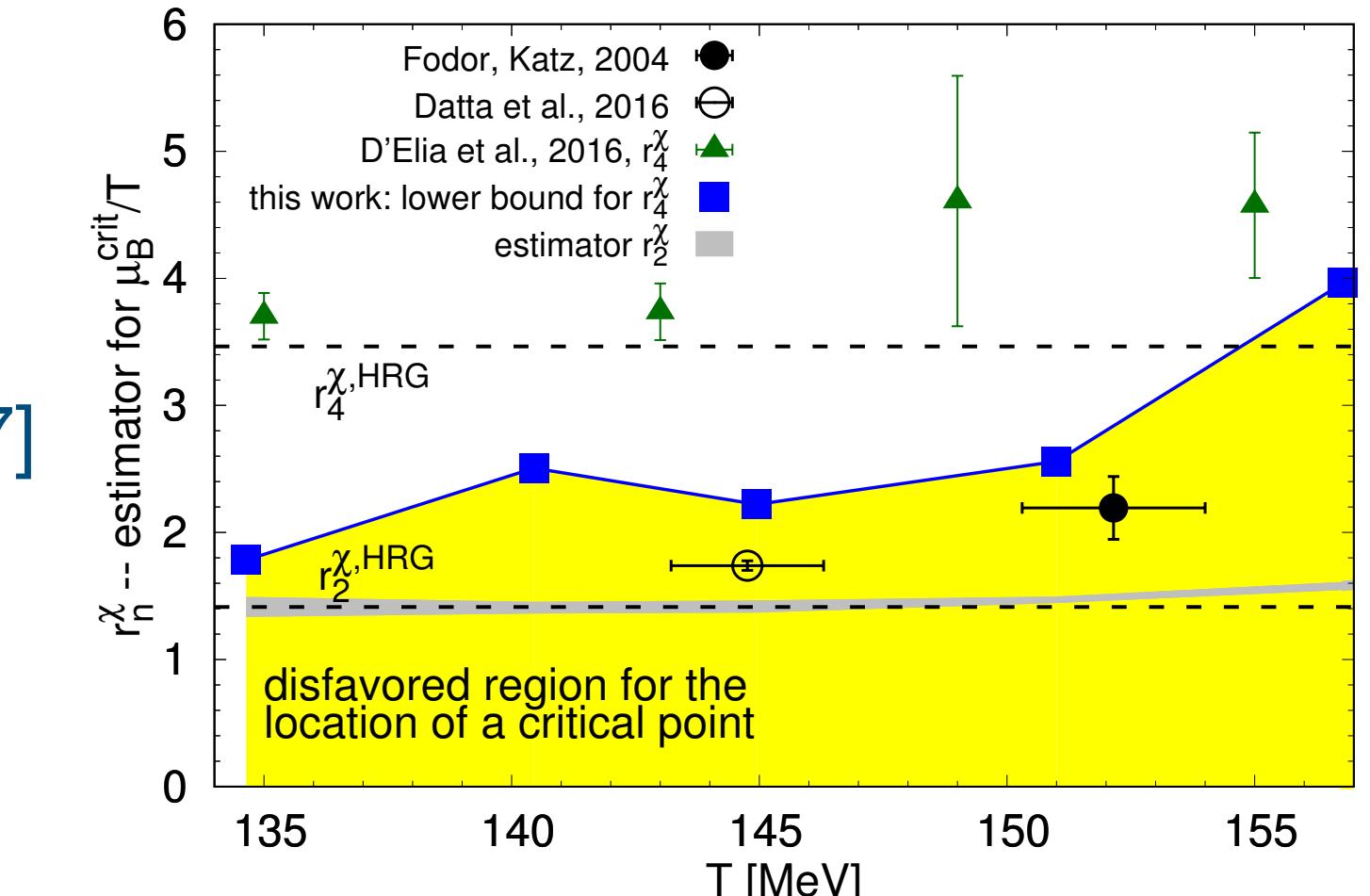
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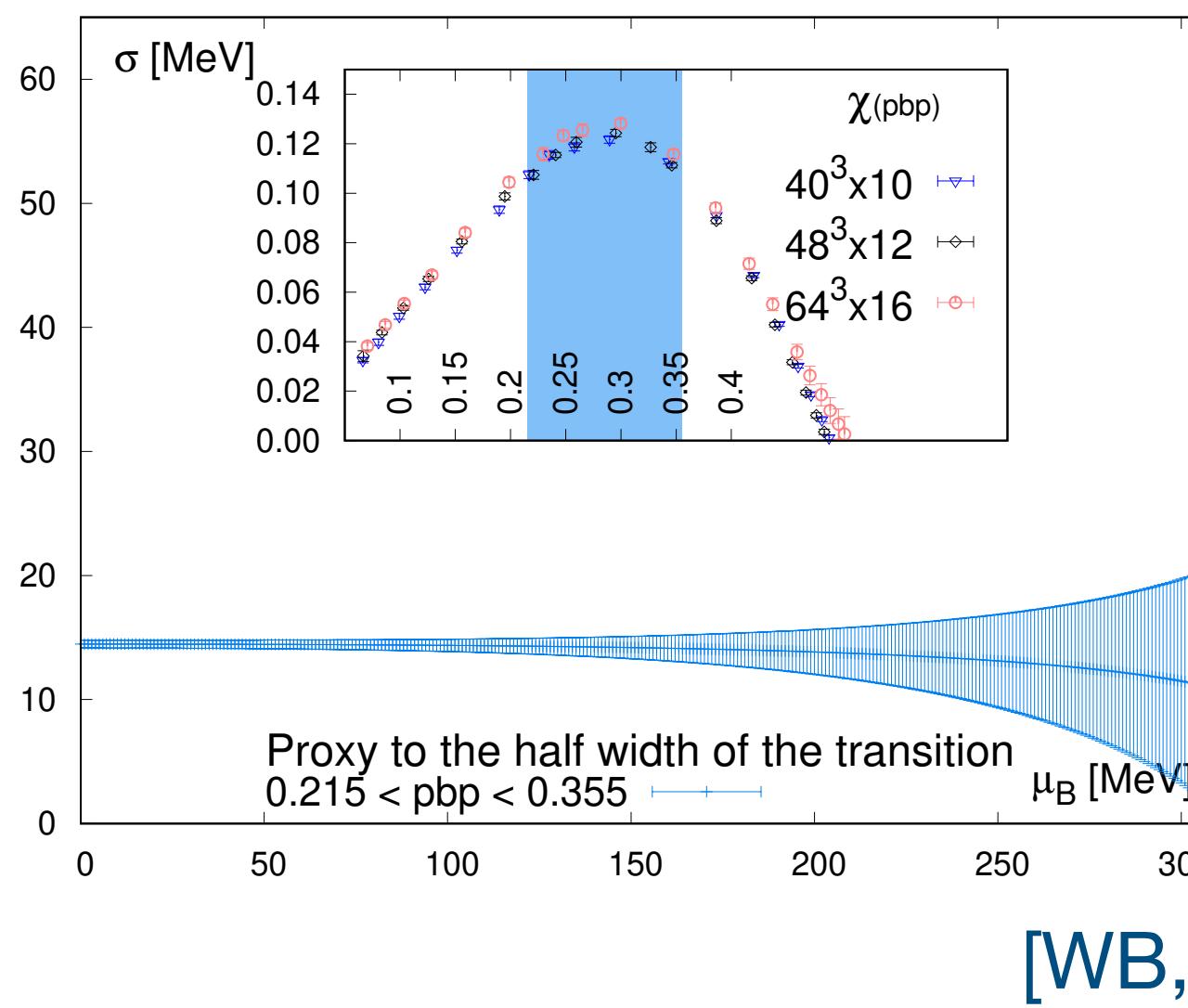
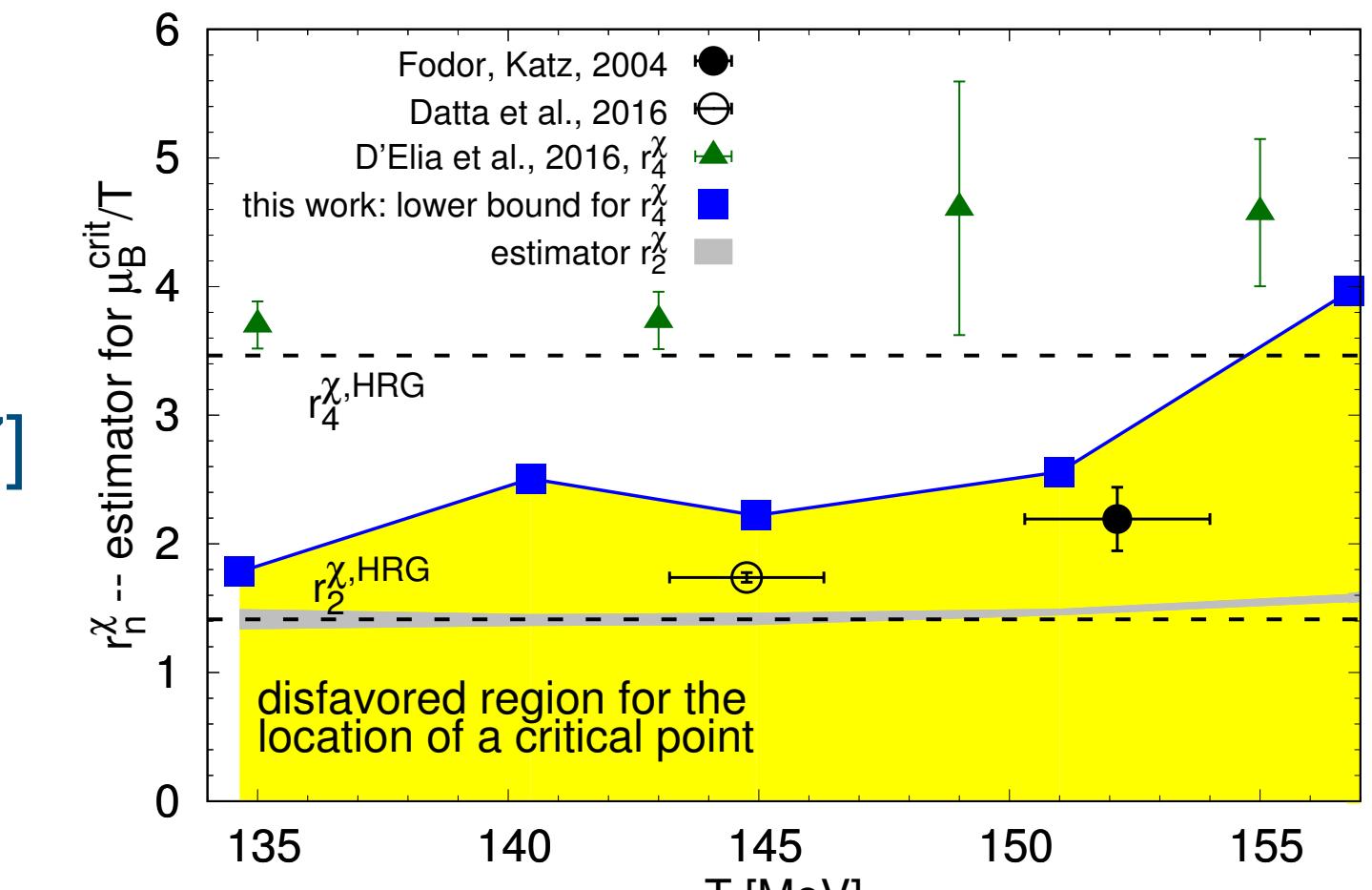
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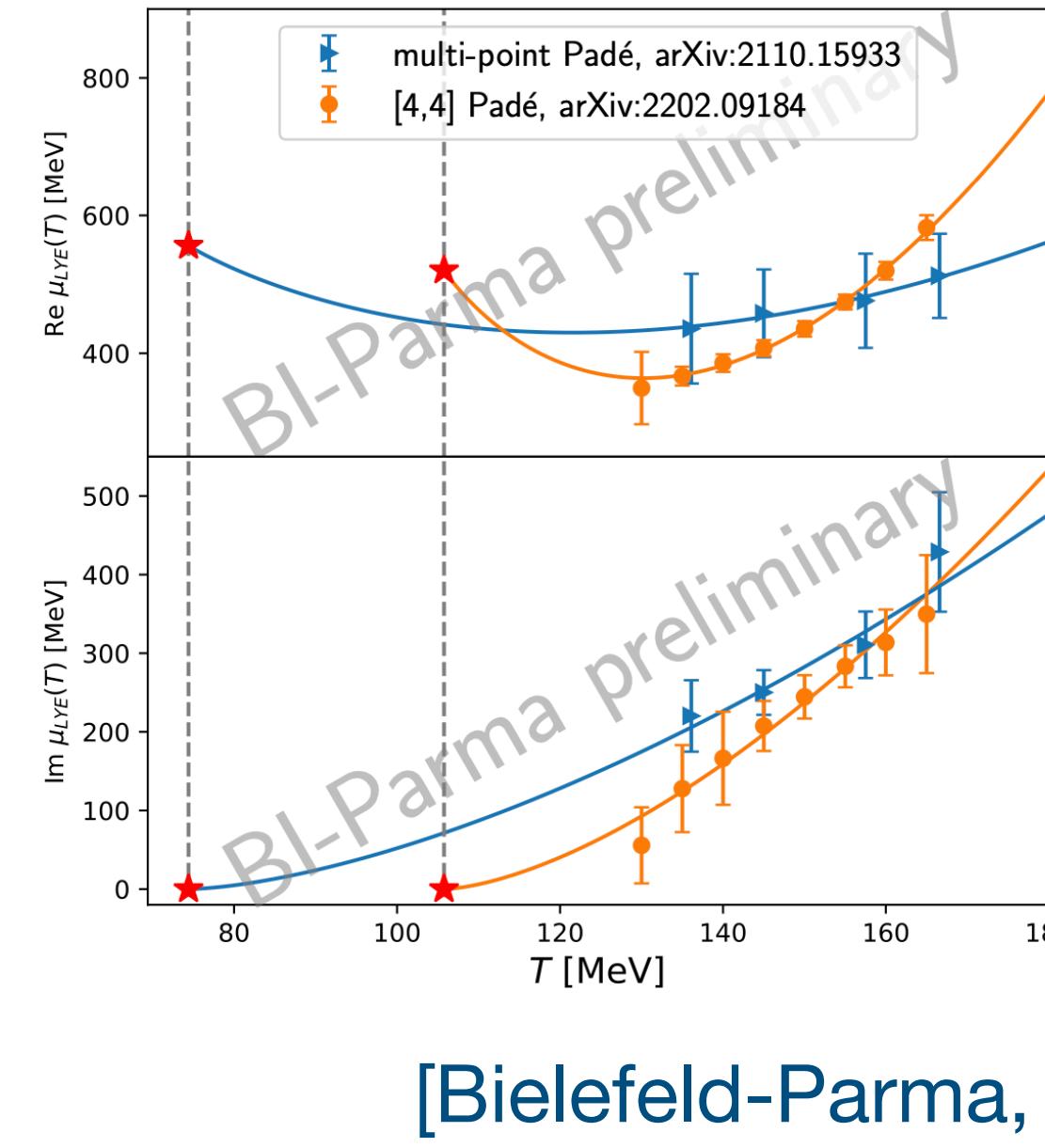
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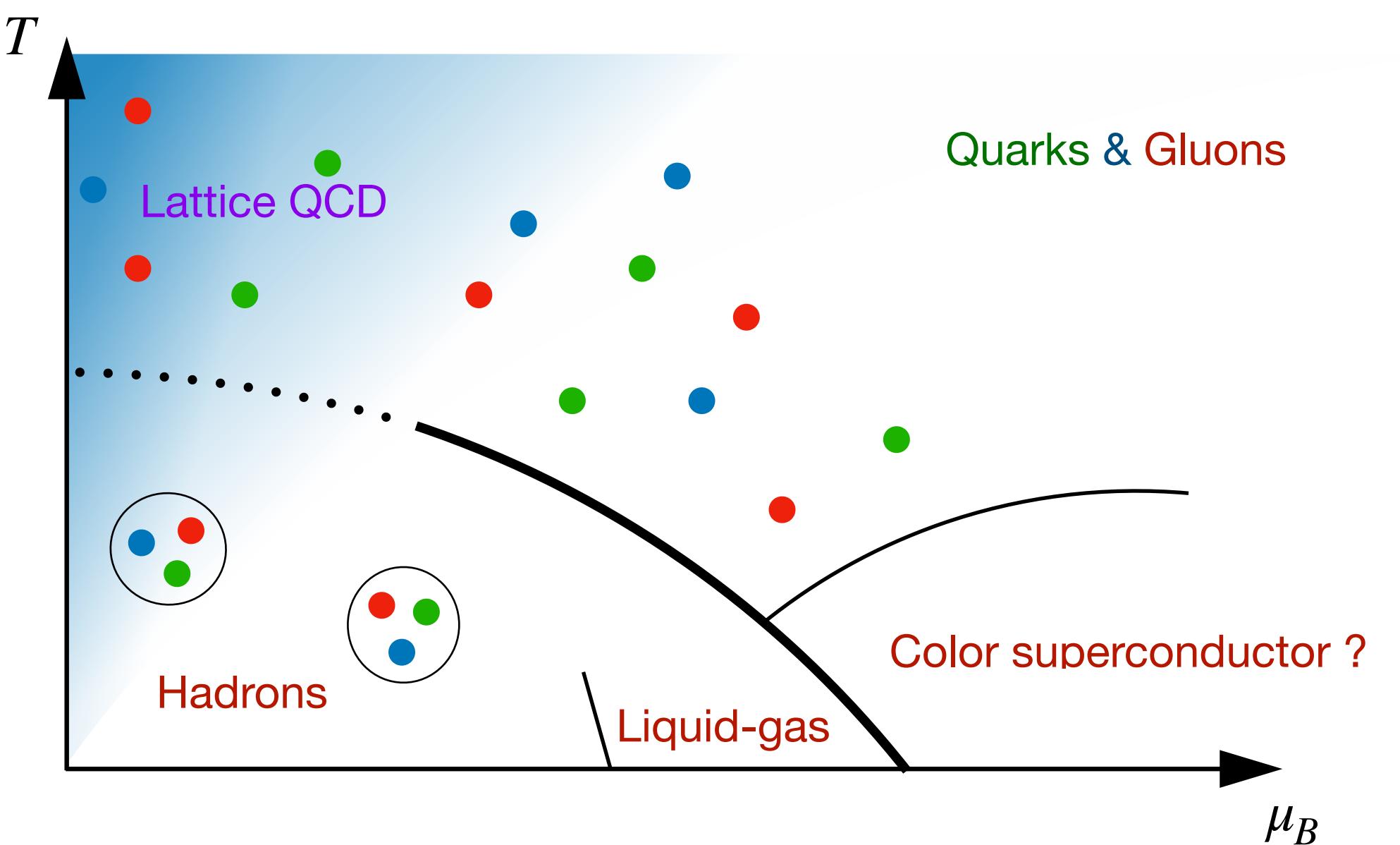
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FRG: $\mu_B^c \sim 600$ MeV
[Fu et al., 2019]

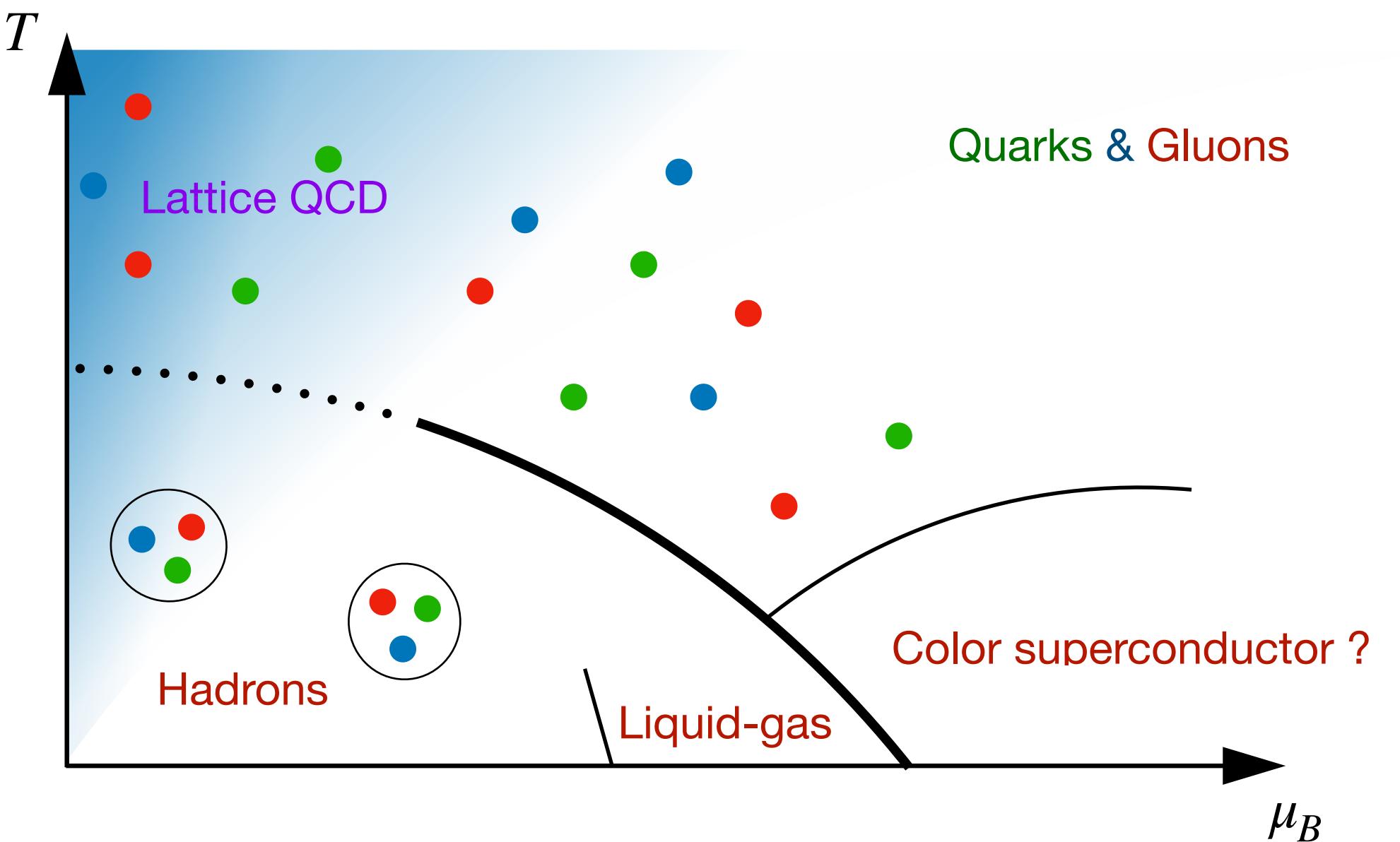
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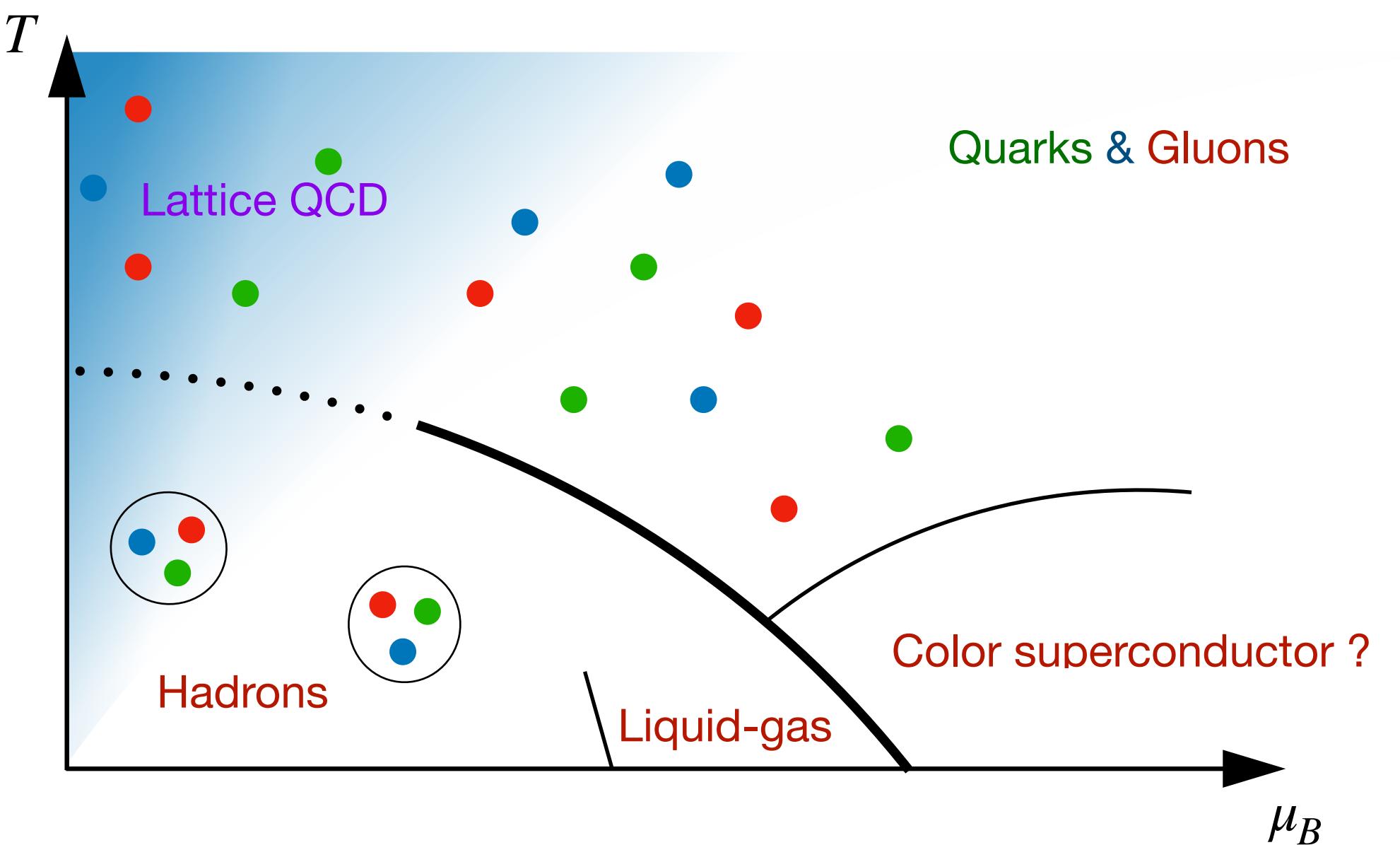
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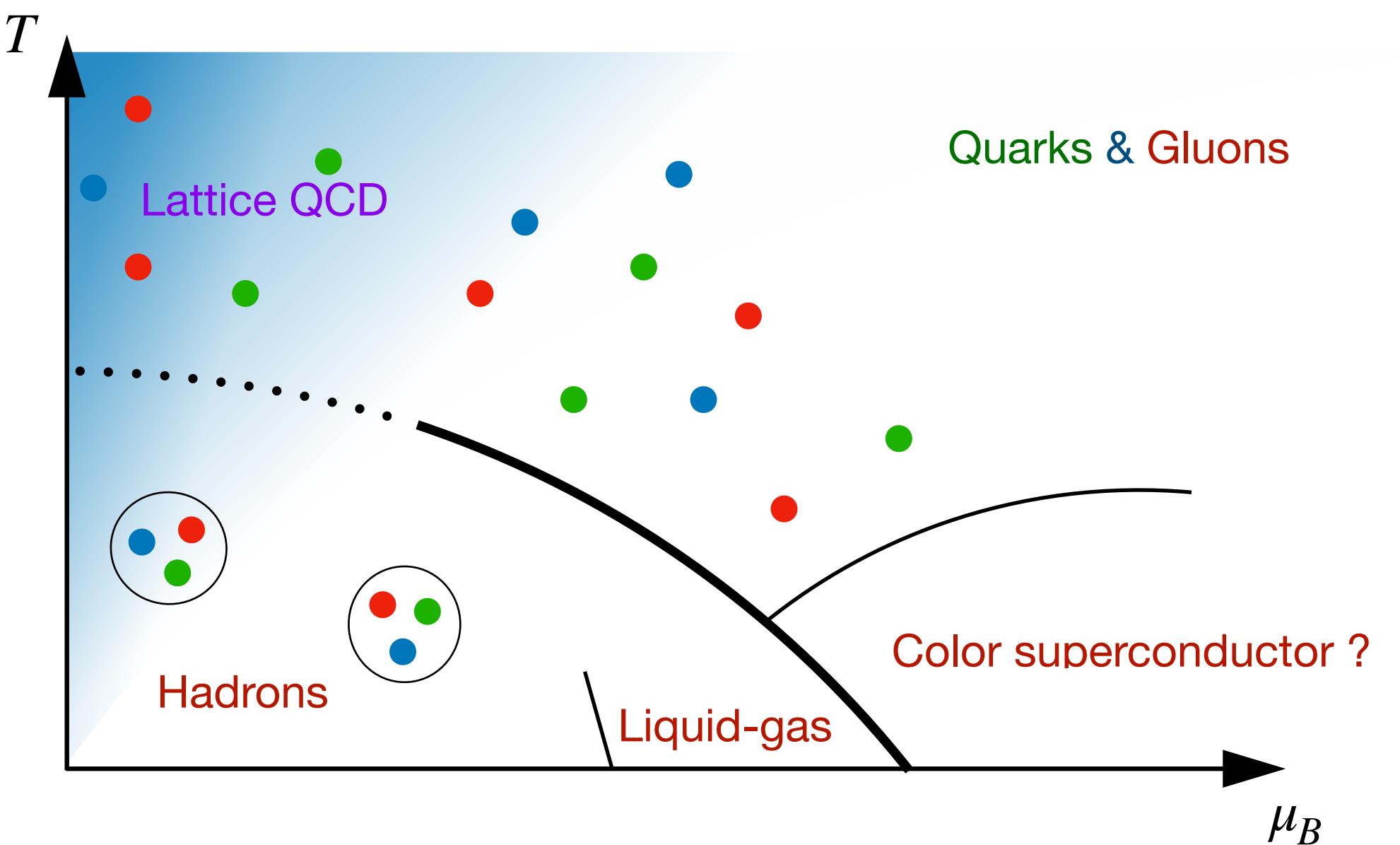
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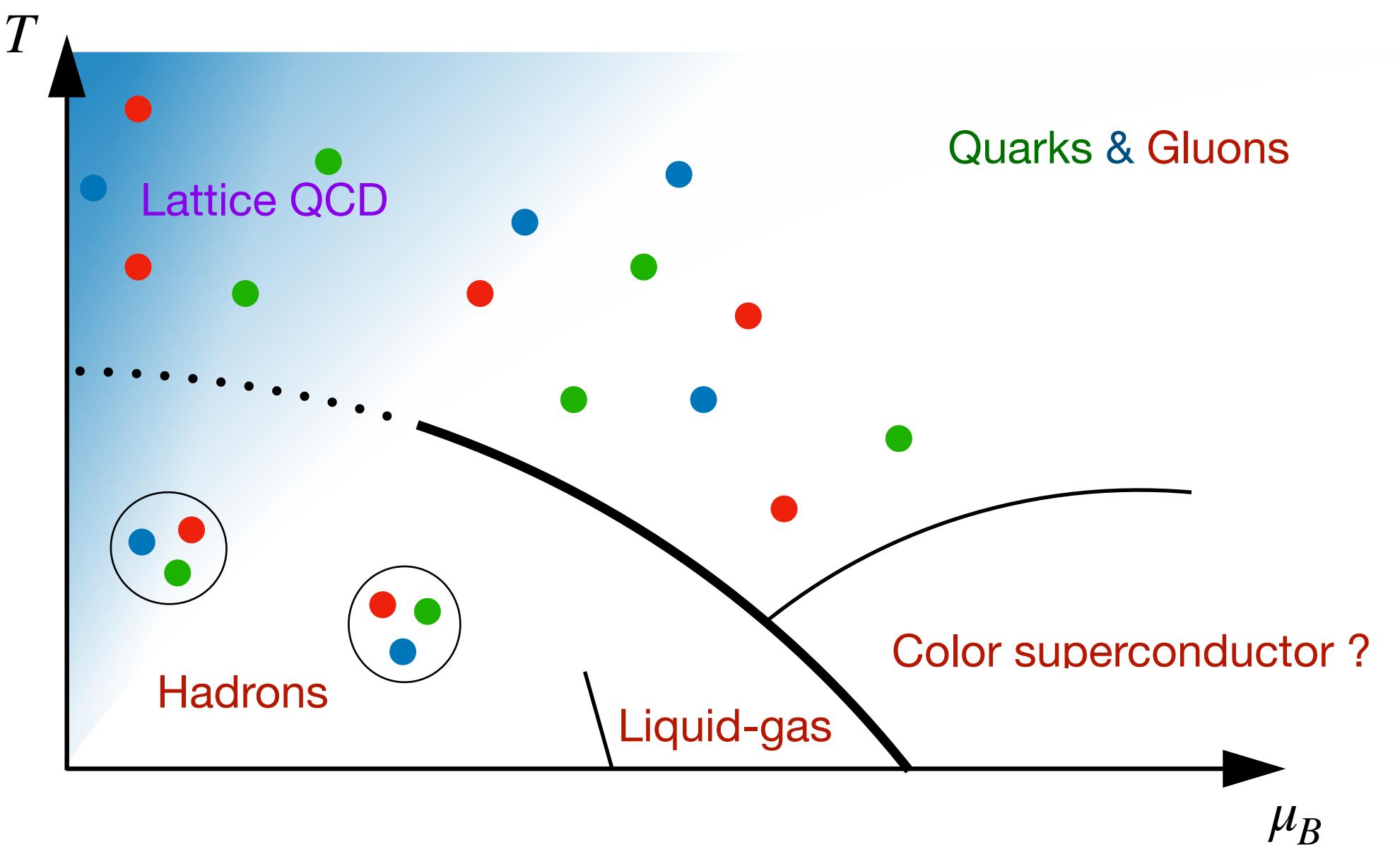
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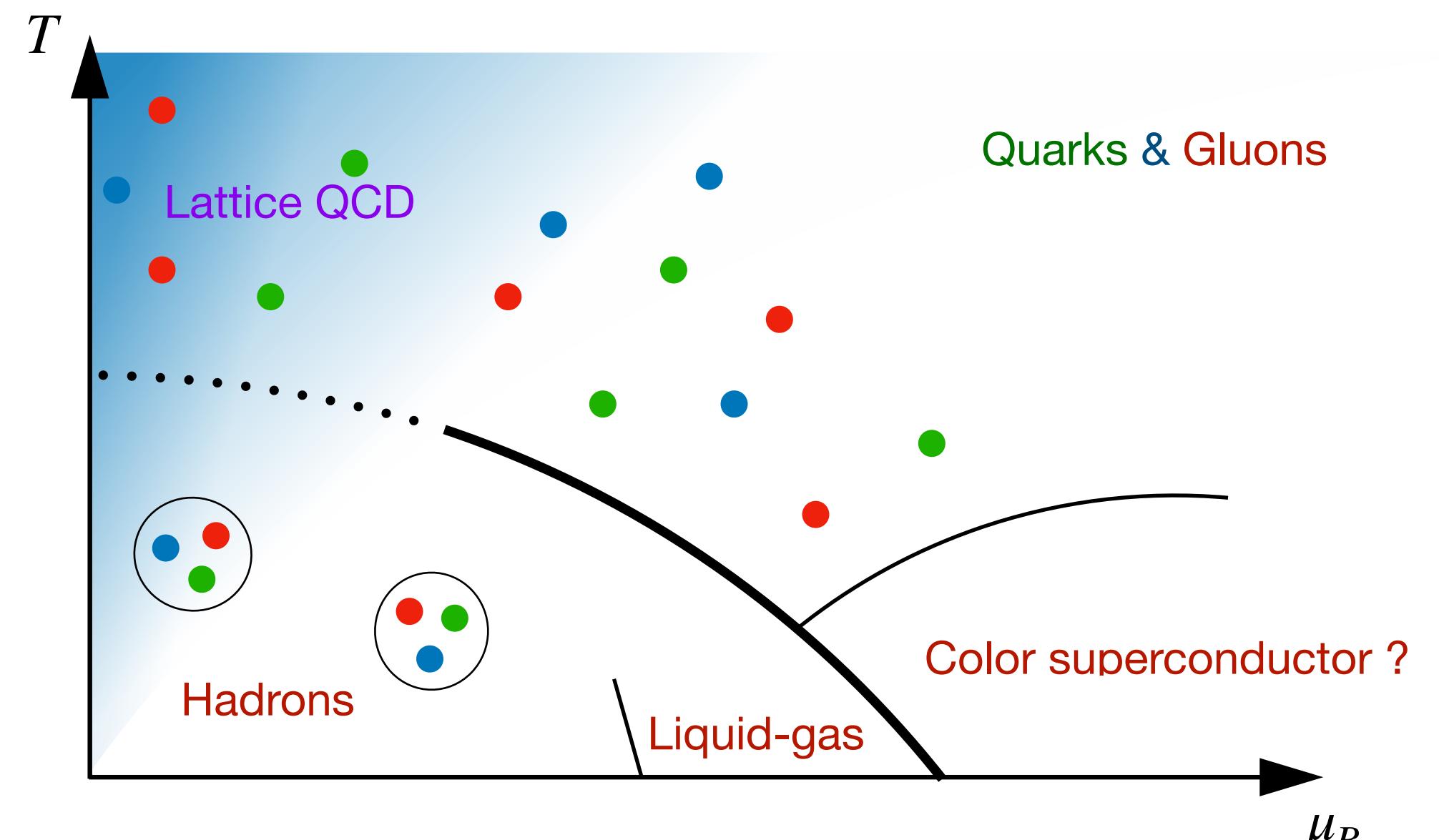
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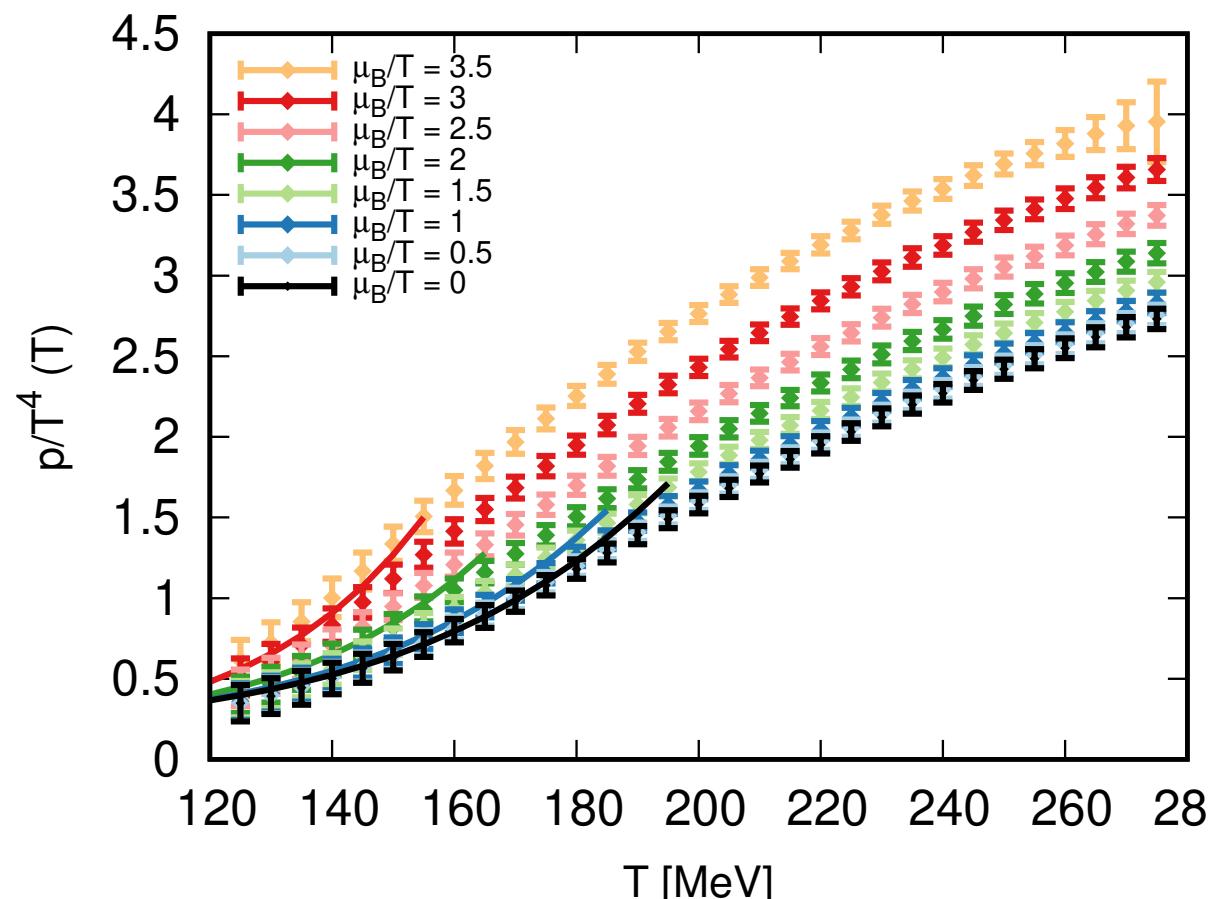
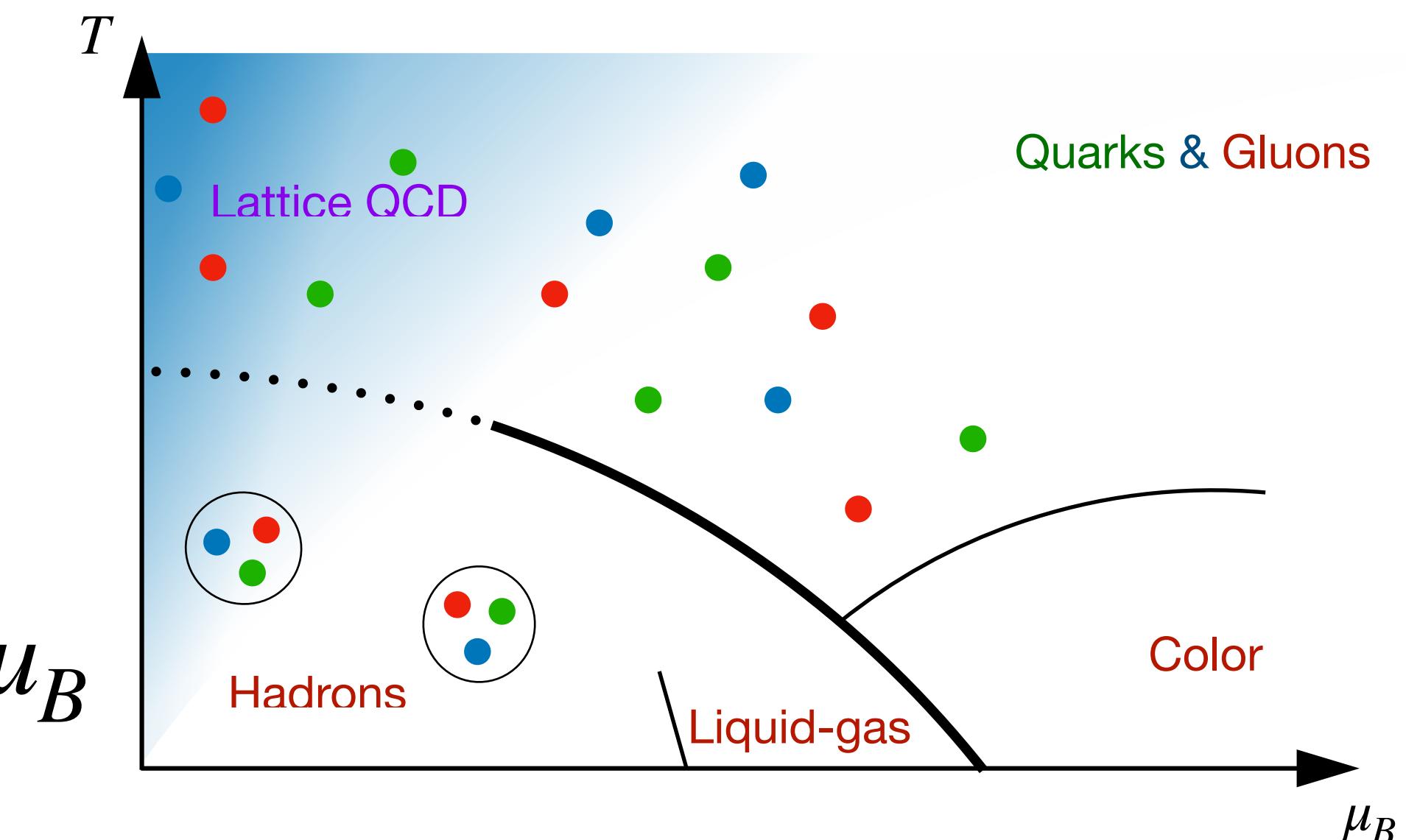
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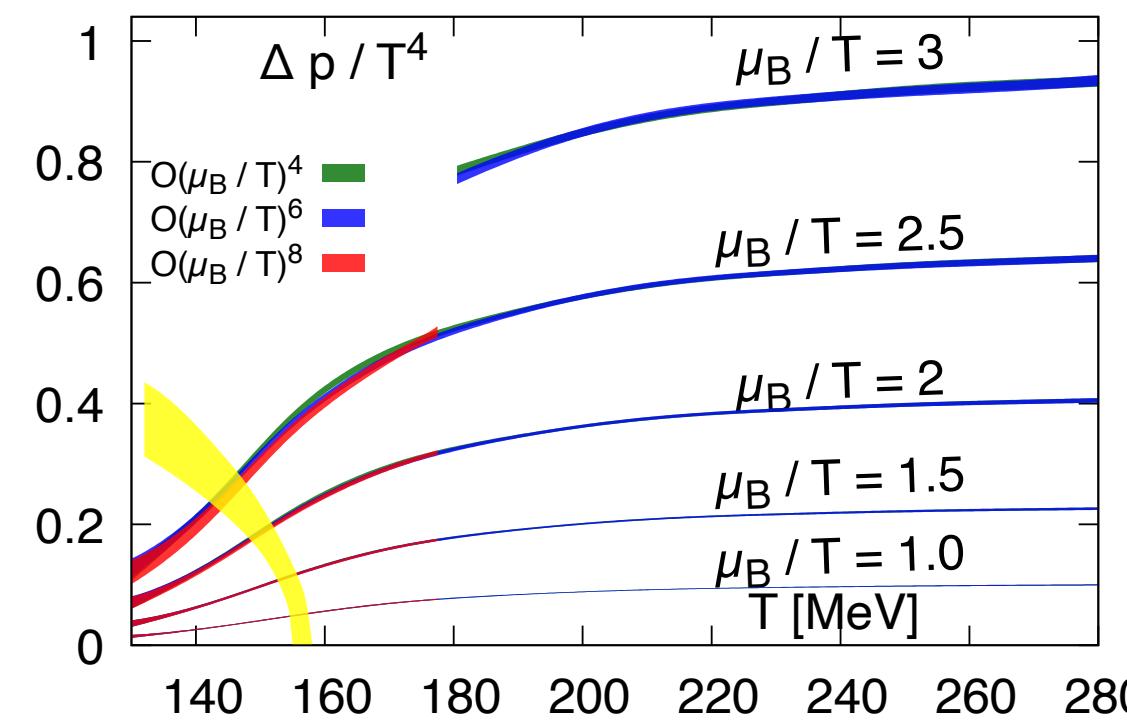
Conclusions

QCD phase diagram on the lattice

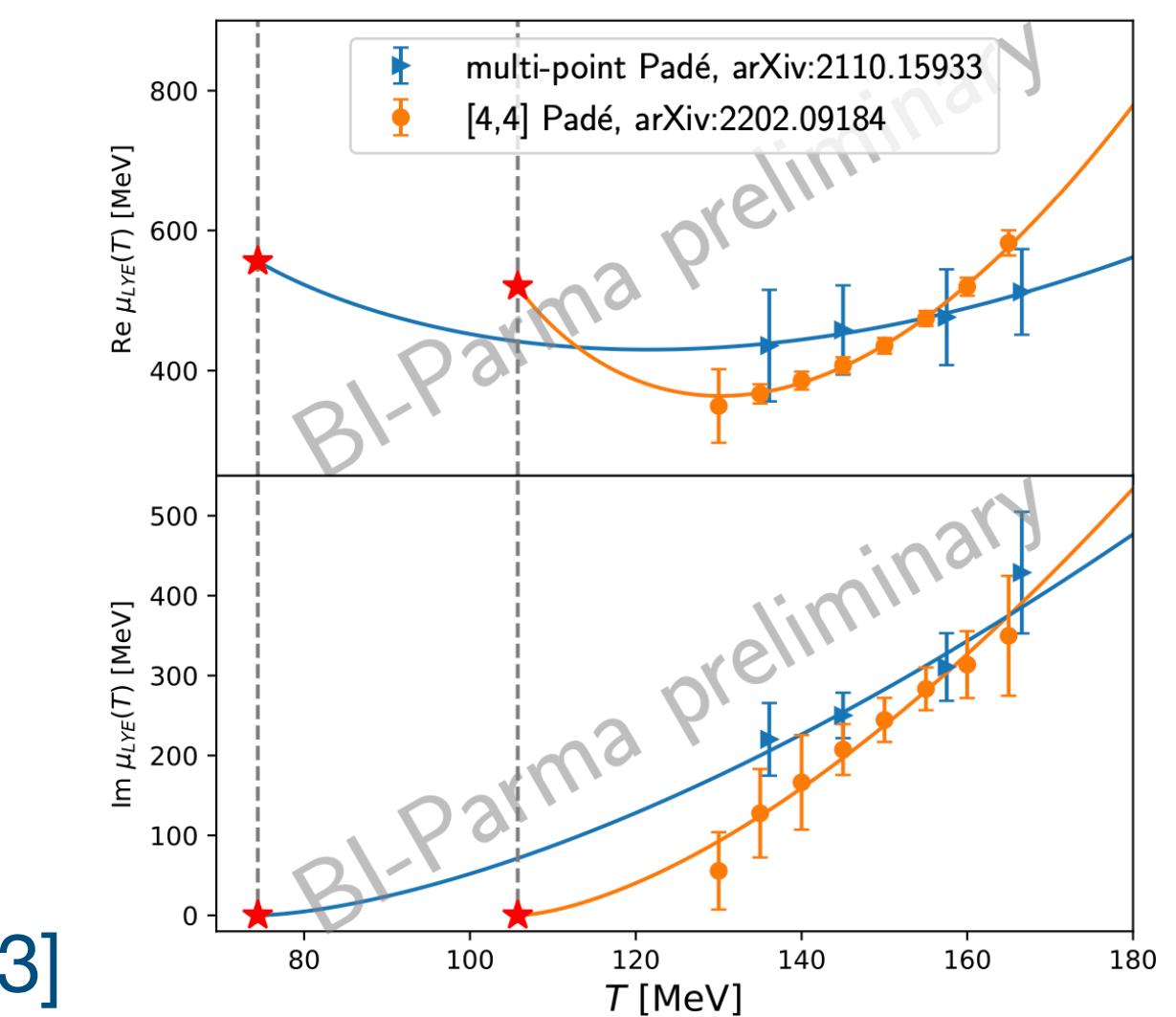
- Precise data on the crossover at zero and small μ_B
- Non-trivial properties (phases) of finite- T QCD
- EoS of QCD at $\mu_B/T \lesssim (2.5 - 3)$, conserved charge fluctuations at $\mu_B = 0$
- CEP, if exists, is most likely at very high μ_B



[WB, 2022]



[HotQCD, 2023]



BACKUP

Zero μ , nonzero T

Possible thresholds/phase transitions and other scenarios

Spectrum of the Dirac operator:

$$D|\lambda\rangle = \lambda|\lambda\rangle$$

Density $\rho(\lambda)$ contains a lot of information about the system and its symmetries

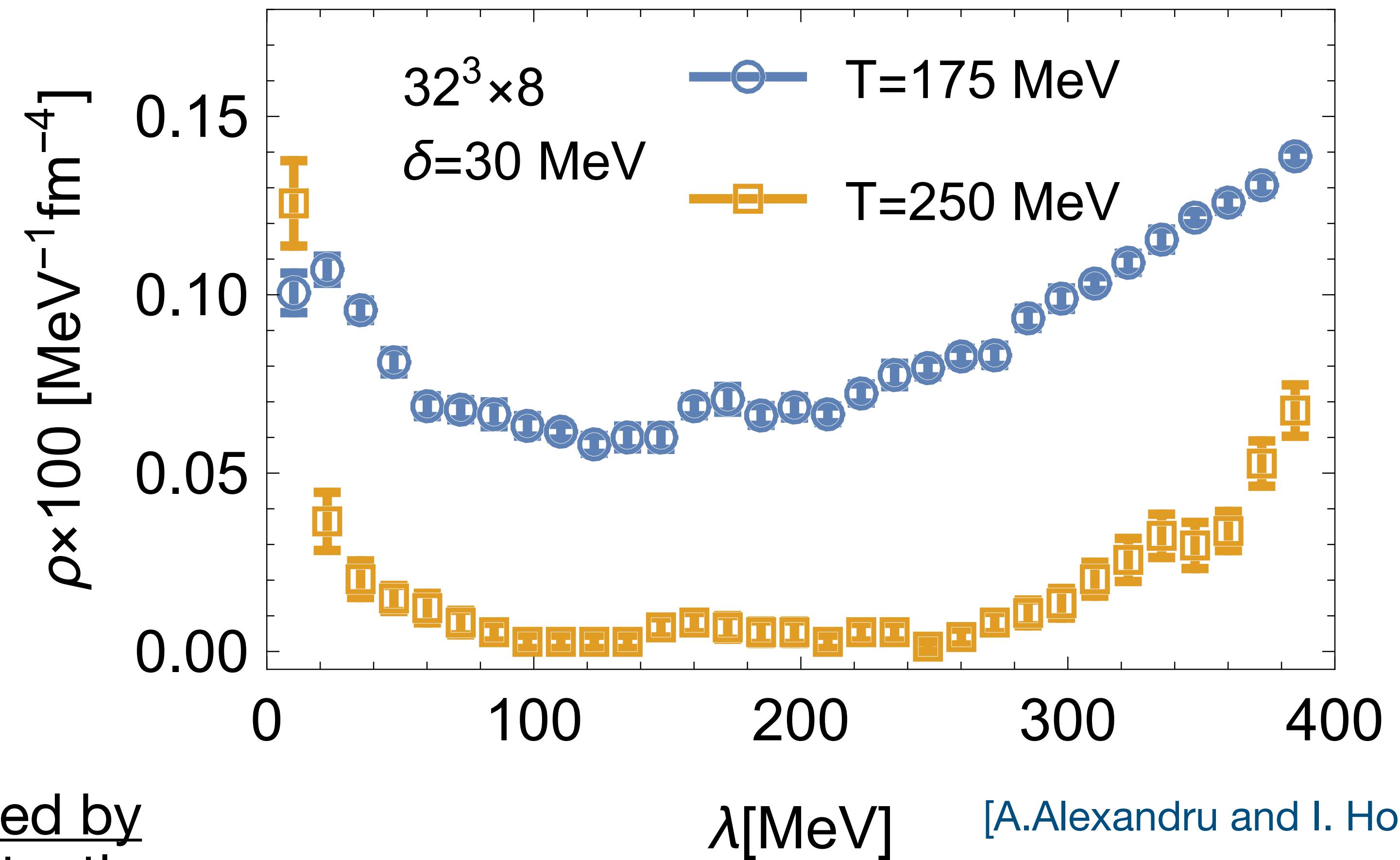
Banks-Casher relation:

$$\frac{1}{V}\langle\bar{\psi}\psi\rangle \rightarrow \int_0^\infty \rho(\lambda) \frac{m}{\lambda^2 + m^2} \rightarrow \pi\rho(0)$$

IR phase:

$$\rho(\lambda) \sim \lambda^{-1+\delta}$$

Can be described by topological fluctuations



Complex Langevin method and Lefschetz thimbles

$$Z = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-S(x)}$$

- Complexify: $x \rightarrow z \in \mathbb{C}$
- Complex Langevin: $\dot{z} = -\partial_z S(z) + \eta$
- Lefschetz thimbles: instead of integral along real axis $z = x \in \mathbb{R}$, deform a contour to get milder sign problem (Machine Learning)

Chiral-spin symmetry

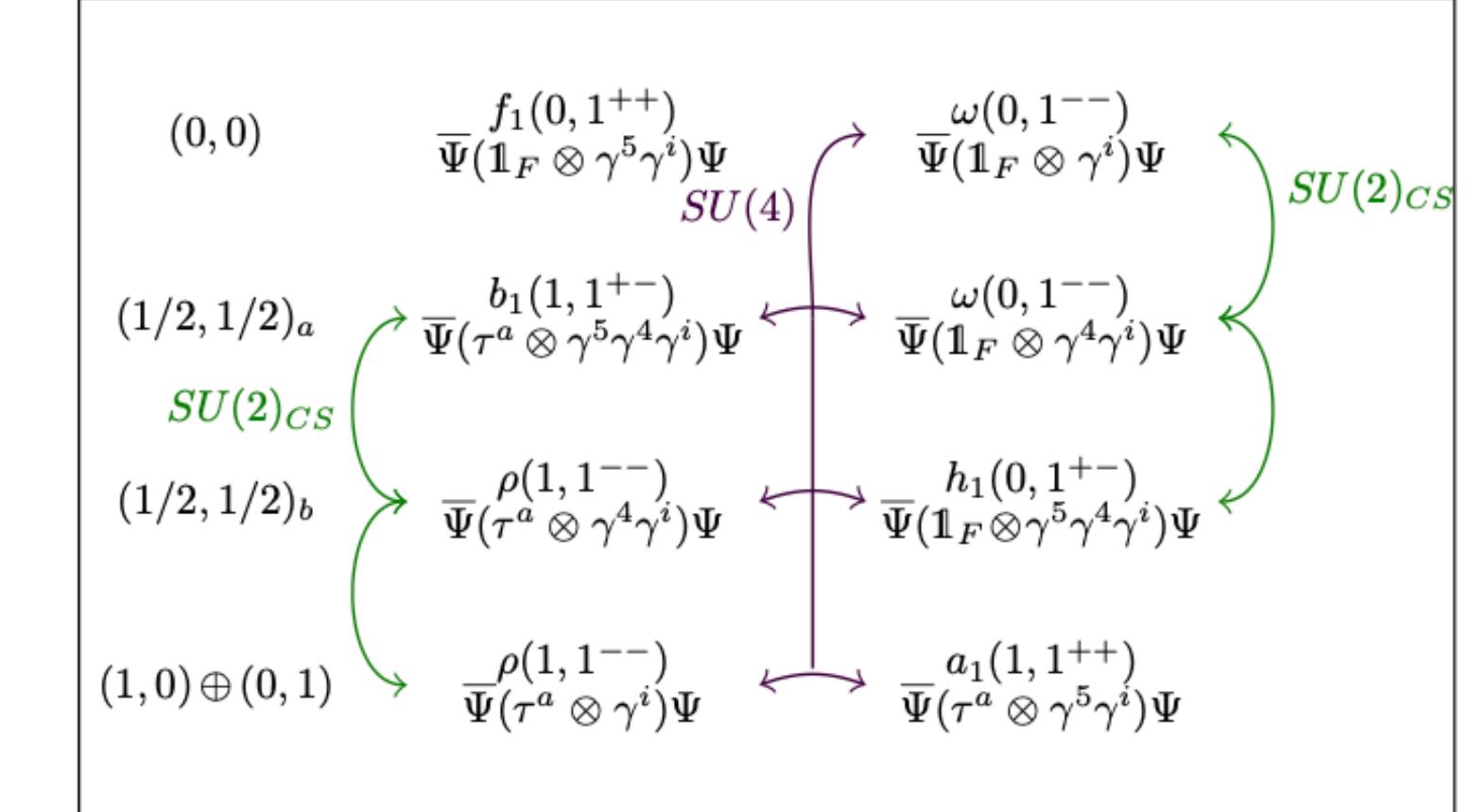
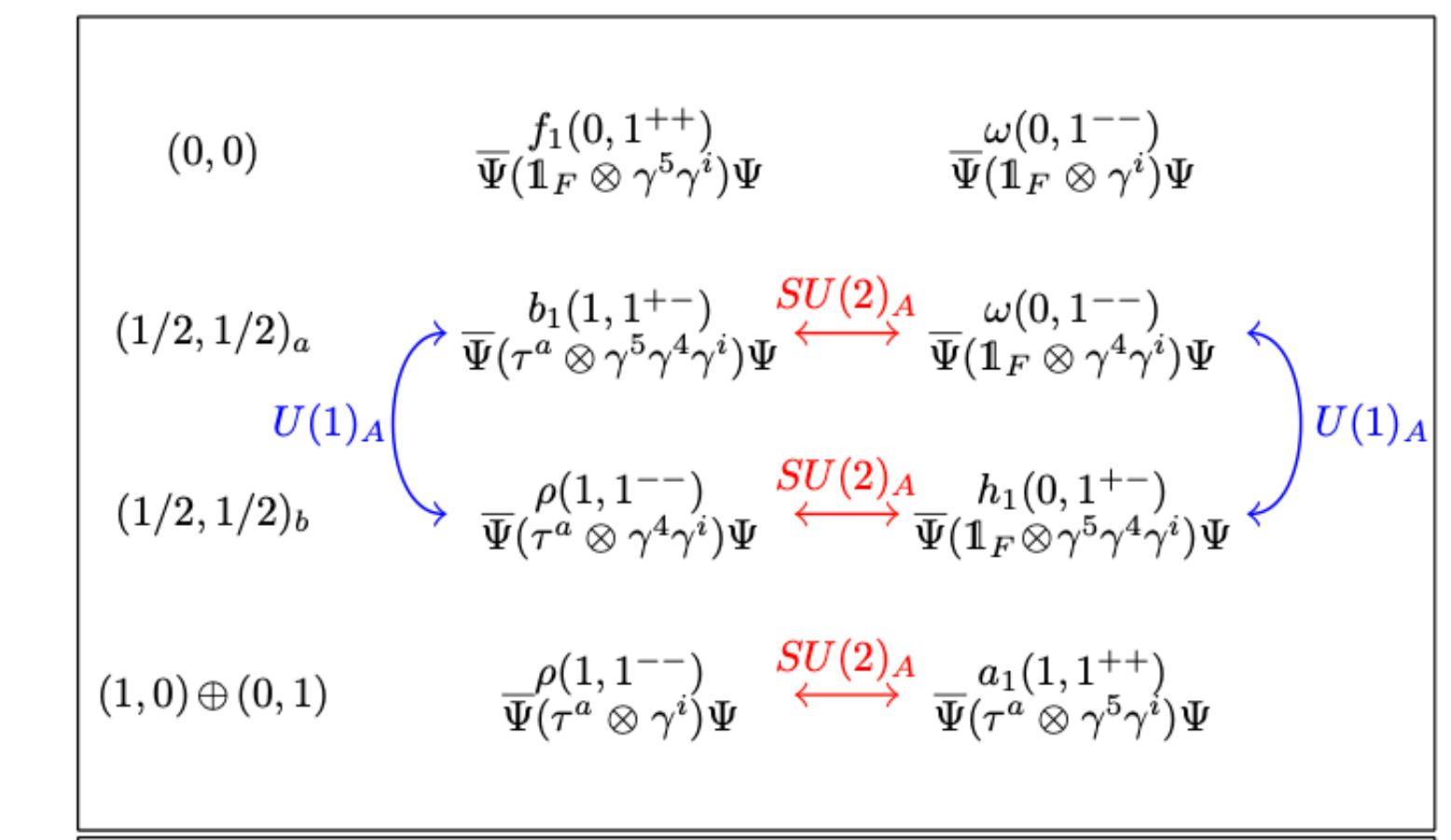
- $\psi \rightarrow \exp\left(i\frac{\epsilon^n \Sigma^n}{2}\right) \psi$ $\Sigma_n = \{\gamma_k, -i\gamma_5\gamma_k, \gamma_5\}$

[L. Glozman, 2014]

- Symmetry of the chromo-electric color charge

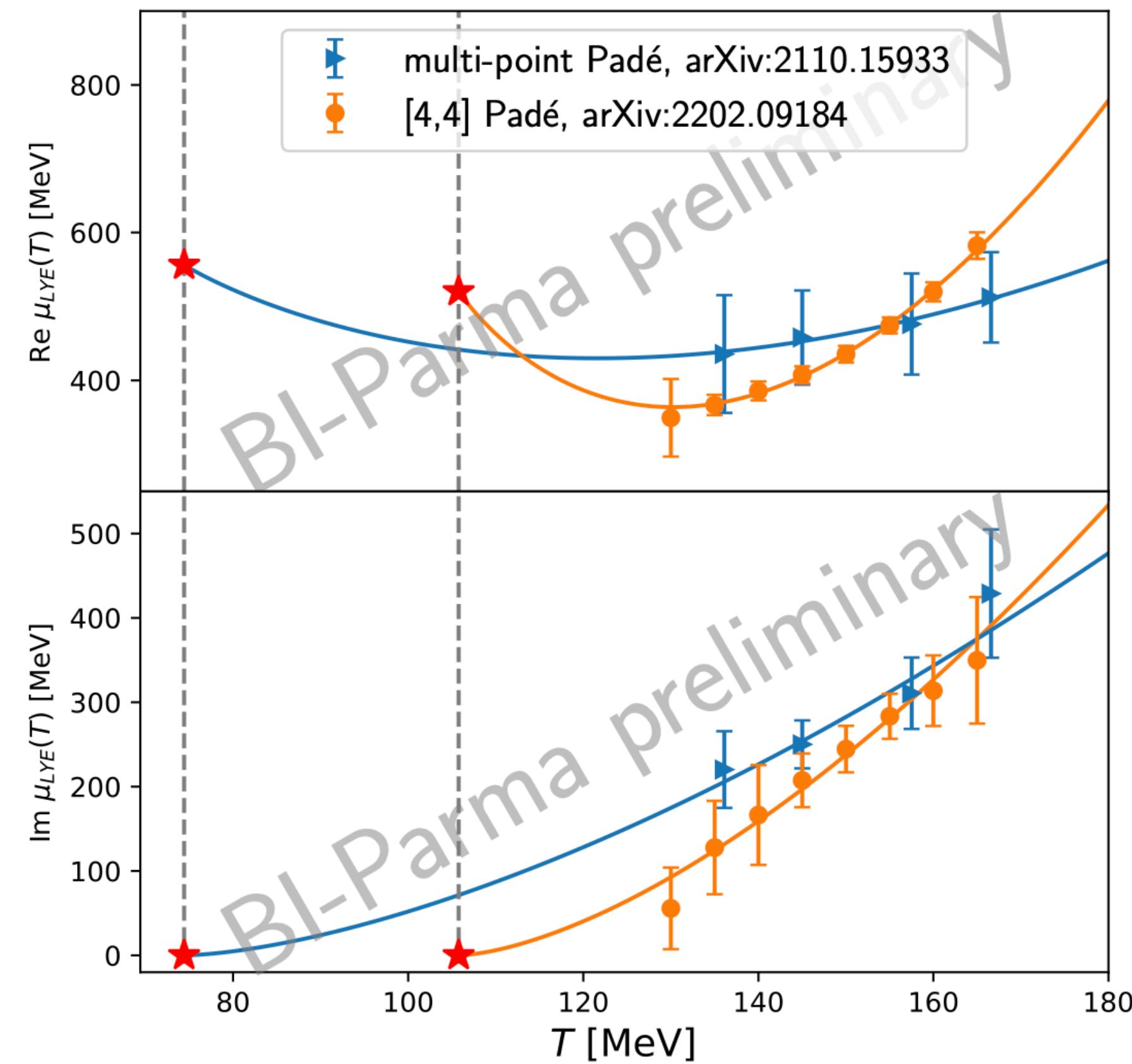
- $Q^a = \int d^3x q^\dagger(x) T^a q(x)$

- Larger symmetry then in the free theory(!)



Lee-Yang zeros

- $Z \equiv Z(V, T, \mu_B)$ is real for $\mu_B \in \mathbb{R}$
- $Z \equiv Z(V, T, \mu_B)$ can have complex μ_B^i roots
- Lee-Yang theorem: phase transition when $\mu_B^i \rightarrow \mu_B^c \in \mathbb{R}$
[Lee, Yang, 1952]
- Lattice data: $B(\mu_B) \sim \frac{\partial \log Z}{\partial \mu_B}$ at $-i\mu_B^0 \in \mathbb{R}$ or χ_n^B at $\mu_B = 0$
- Reconstruct Pade approximation of $B(\mu_B)$ for all μ_B
- Study its zeros and when they approach real axis



[Bielefeld-Parma, 2023]

Reweighting for the sign problem

- | Weight | Observable |
|--|------------|
| • $p \sim e^{-S_G} \det D = e^{-S_G} \det D e^{i\theta}$ | |
| • $p \sim e^{-S_G} \operatorname{Re} \det D = e^{-S_G} \operatorname{Re} \det D \operatorname{sign}(\operatorname{Re} \det D)$ | |

- $\int dU p[U] O[U] \rightarrow \int dU p_w[U] p_O[U] O[U]$
- Issues with staggered fermions

