

# Strange baryons below and above the deconfinement transition

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# Introduction

from hadronic to quark-gluon plasma

- thermodynamics: pressure, entropy, fluctuations
- symmetries: confinement, chiral symmetry

spectroscopy

- quarkonia
- light mesons
- **BARYONS**

real time

- transport
- far from equilibrium

# Mesons in a medium

mesons in a medium very well studied

- hadronic phase: thermal broadening, mass shift
- QGP: deconfinement/dissolution/melting
- quarkonia survival as thermometer
- transport: conductivity/dileptons from vector current
- chiral symmetry restoration

relatively easy on the lattice

- high-precision correlators

what about baryons?

# Baryons in a medium

lattice studies of baryons at finite temperature very limited

- screening masses De Tar and Kogut 1987
- ... with a small chemical potential QCD-TARO: Pushkina, de Forcrand, Kim, Nakamura, Stamatescu et al 2005
- temporal correlators Datta, Gupta, Mathur et al 2013

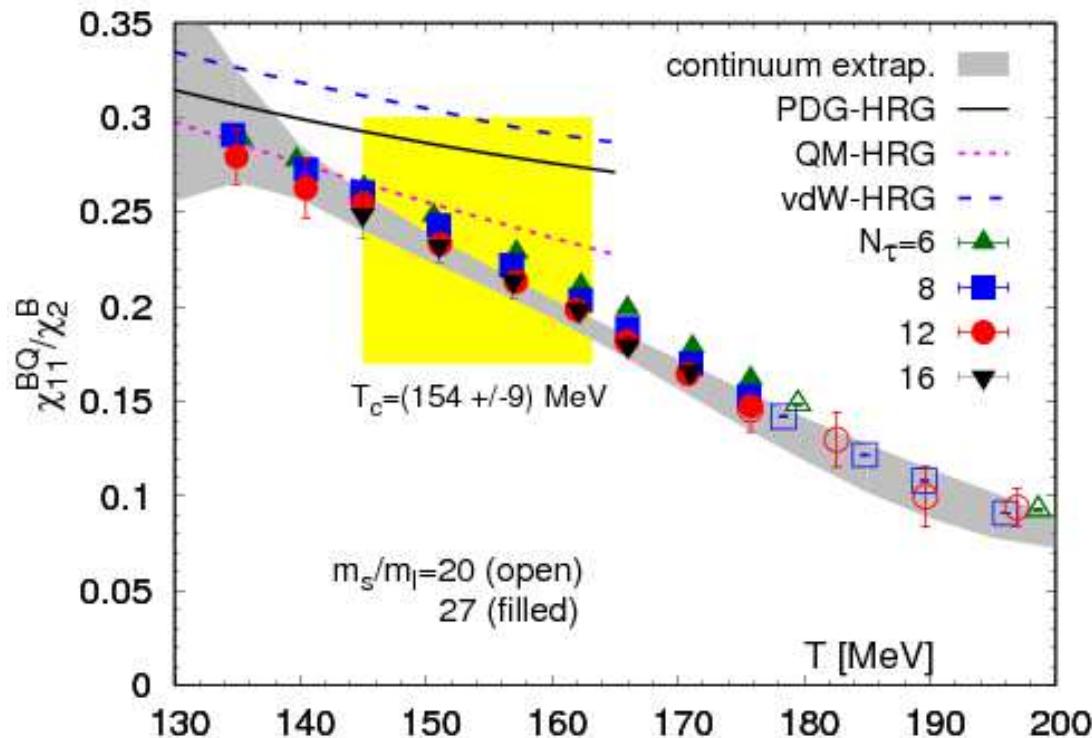
not much more ...

- effective models, mostly at  $T \sim 0$  and nuclear density  
⇒ parity doubling models De Tar and Kunihiro 1989

but understanding highly relevant for e.g. hadron resonance gas (HRG) descriptions in confined phase

# Baryons and HRG

ratio of fluctuations:  $\langle BQ \rangle / \langle BB \rangle$   
fluctuations of charged baryons / fluctuations of all baryons



Karsch (HotQCD)  
arXiv:1706.01620

standard HRG  
is somewhat off

- what is the source of this discrepancy?
- more states? residual interactions? in-medium effects?

# Outline

baryons across the deconfinement transition:

- lattice QCD – FASTSUM collaboration
- baryon correlators
- in-medium effects below  $T_c$
- implications for HRG
- parity doubling above  $T_c$

# FASTSUM

- anisotropic  $N_f = 2 + 1$  Wilson-clover ensembles

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# FASTSUM ensembles

- $N_f = 2 + 1$  dynamical quark flavours, Wilson-clover
- many temperatures, below and above  $T_c$
- anisotropic lattice,  $a_s/a_\tau = 3.5$ , many time slices
- strange quark: physical value
- two light flavours: somewhat heavy  $m_\pi = 384(4)$  MeV

$N_s$	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
$N_\tau$	128	40	36	32	28	24	20	16
$T/T_c$	0.24	0.76	0.84	0.95	1.09	1.27	1.52	1.90
$N_{\text{cfg}}$	139	501	501	1000	1001	1001	1000	1000
$N_{\text{src}}$	16	4	4	2	2	2	2	2

- tuning and  $N_\tau = 128$  data from HadSpec collaboration

# Baryon correlators

computed all octet and decuplet baryon correlators

	$S = 0:$	$N$	$\Delta$	
	$S = -1:$	$\Lambda$	$\Sigma$	$\Sigma^*$
	$S = -2:$	$\Xi$	$\Xi^*$	
	$S = -3:$		$\Omega$	

for each baryon: positive and negative parity channels

technical remarks

- studied various interpolation operators
- Gaussian smearing for multiple sources and sinks
- same smearing parameters at all temperatures

# Parity and baryons

example: nucleon

- operator  $O^\alpha = \epsilon_{abc} u_a^\alpha \left( d_b^T C \gamma_5 u_c \right)$
- role of parity:

$$\mathcal{P} O(\tau, \mathbf{x}) \mathcal{P}^{-1} = \gamma_4 O(\tau, -\mathbf{x})$$

- pos/neg parity operators:

$$O_\pm(x) = P_\pm O(x) \quad P_\pm = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \gamma_4)$$

- no parity doubling in Nature: nucleon ground state

positive parity:  $m_+ = m_N = 0.939 \text{ GeV}$

negative parity:  $m_- = m_{N^*} = 1.535 \text{ GeV}$

# Parity and chiral symmetry

however, if chiral symmetry is unbroken ( $m_q = 0$  and no SSB)

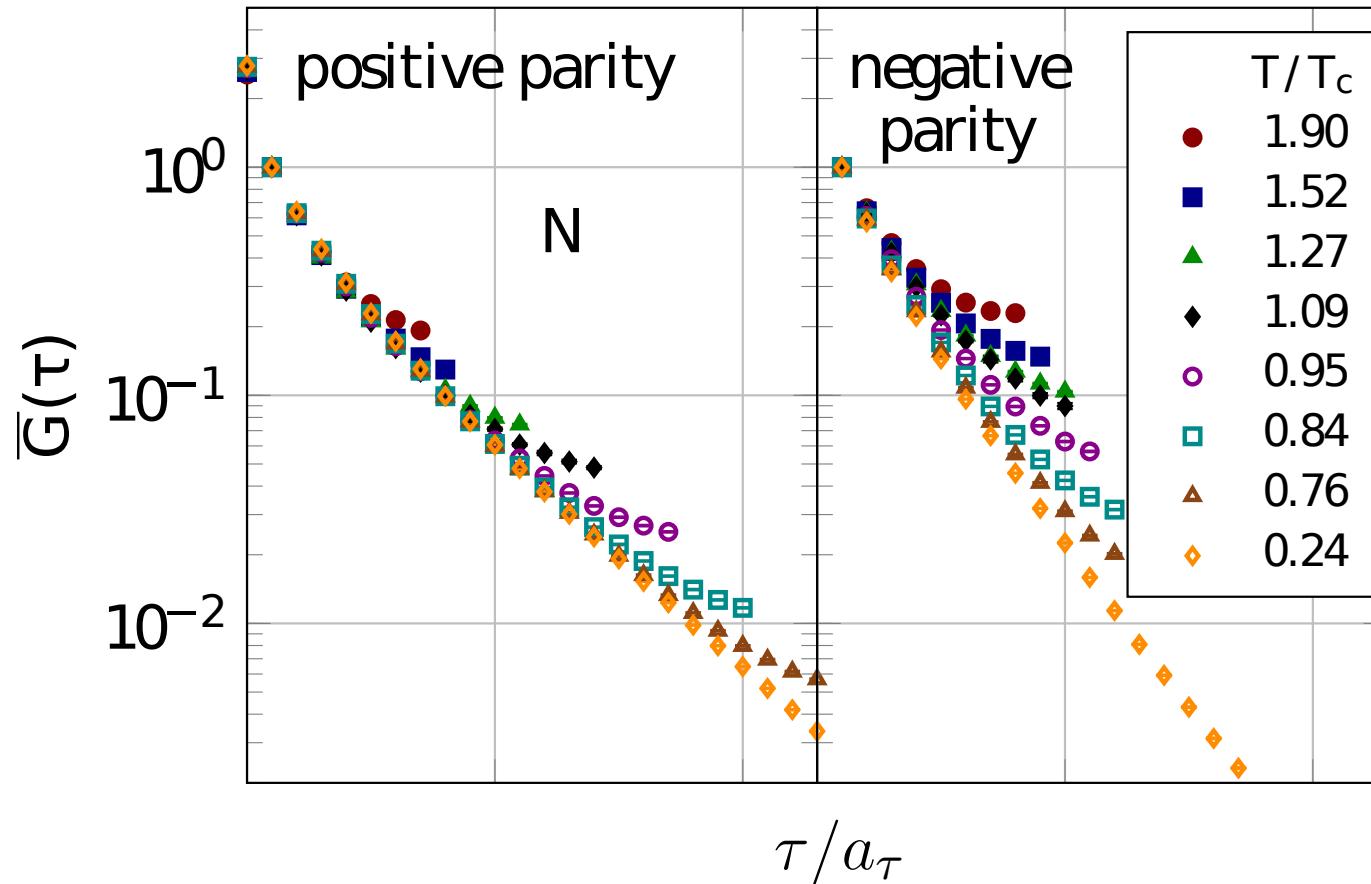
- degeneracy between pos/neg parity channels already at the level of the correlators

what happens at the confinement/deconfinement transition?

- $SU(2)_A$  chiral symmetry restored
- expect degeneracies to emerge
- how does this affect mass spectrum?
- role of  $m_s > m_{u,d}$ ?

# Lattice correlators

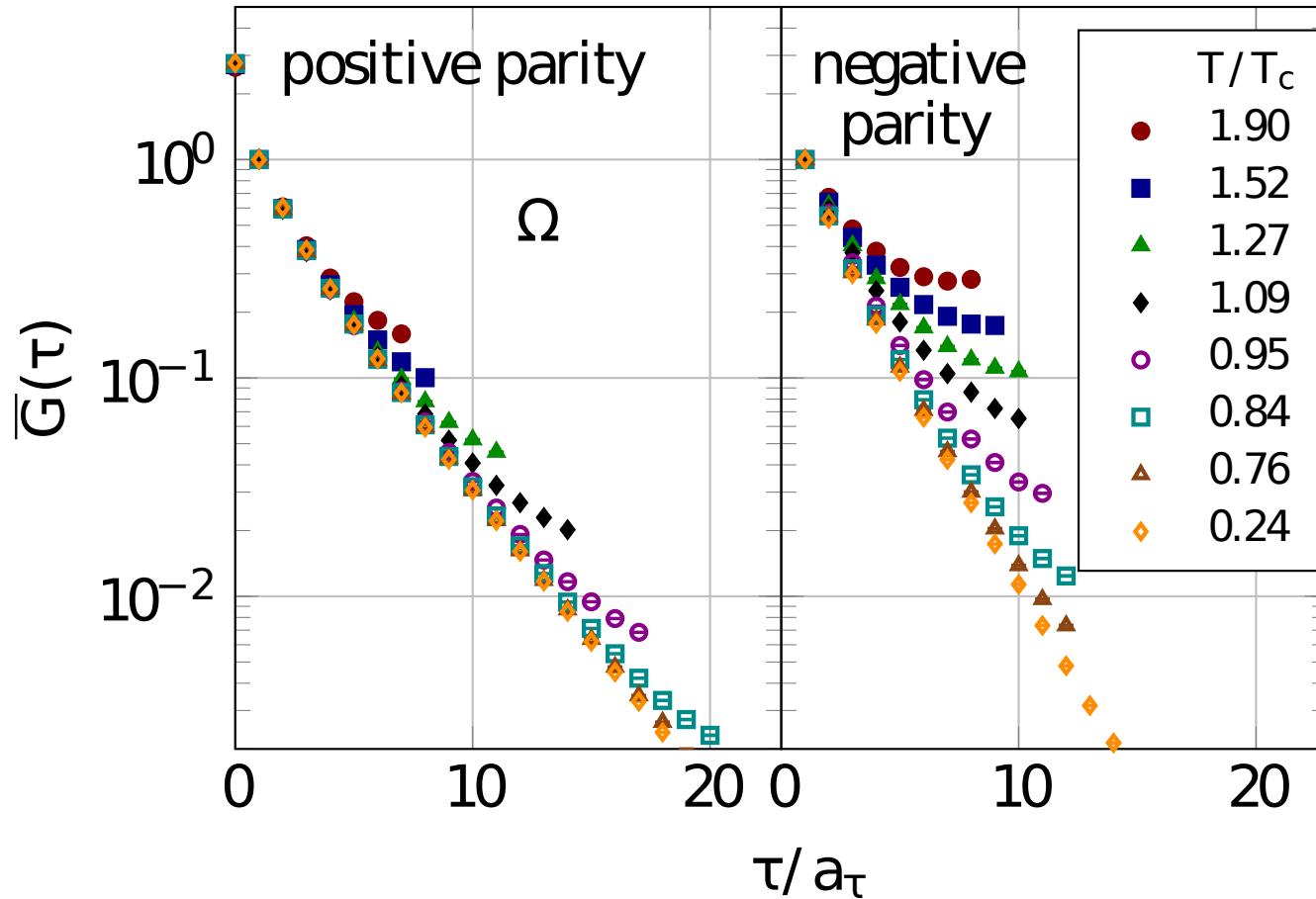
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# Baryons in the hadronic phase

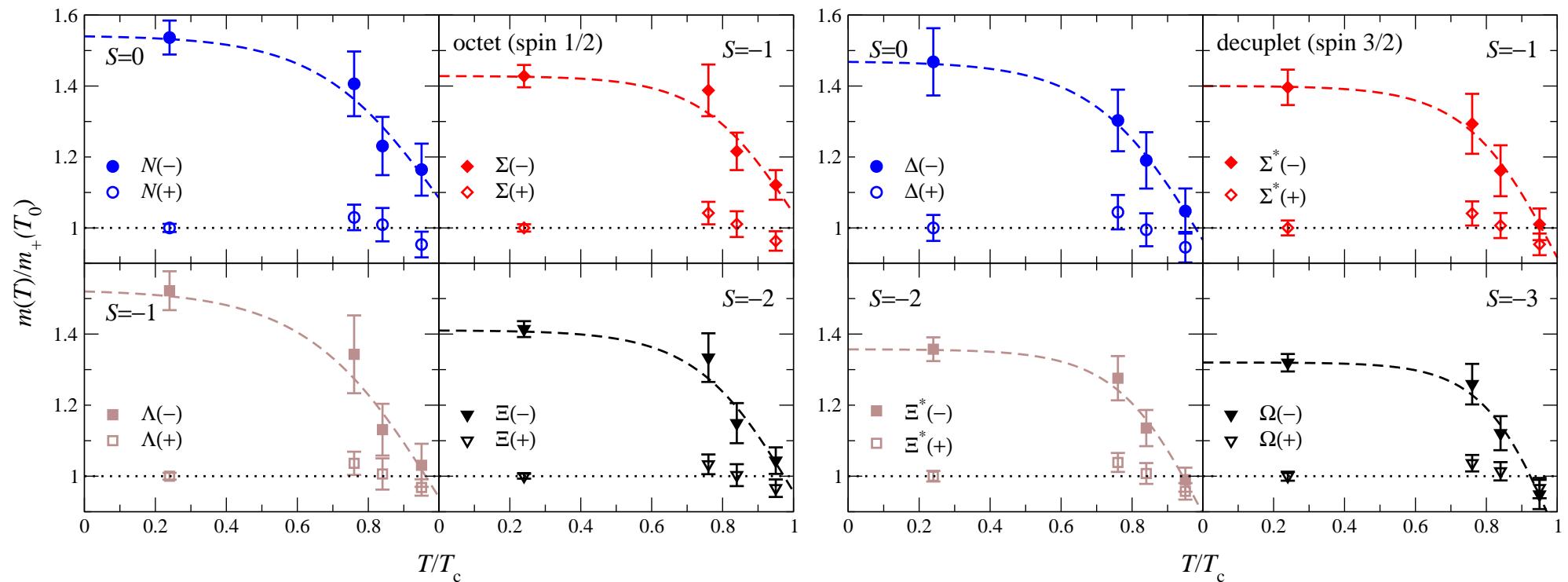
- determine masses of pos/neg parity groundstates
- in-medium effects
- implications for HRG

## Masses of pos/neg parity groundstates (in MeV)

$S$	$T/T_c$	0.24	0.76	0.84	0.95	PDG ( $T = 0$ )
0	$m_+^N$	1158(13)	1192(39)	1169(53)	1104(40)	939
	$m_-^N$	1779(52)	1628(104)	1425(94)	1348(83)	1535
	$m_+^\Delta$	1456(53)	1521(43)	1449(42)	1377(37)	1232
	$m_-^\Delta$	2138(114)	1898(106)	1734(97)	1526(74)	1700
-1	$m_+^\Sigma$	1277(13)	1330(38)	1290(44)	1230(33)	1193
	$m_-^\Sigma$	1823(35)	1772(91)	1552(65)	1431(51)	1750
	$m_+^\Lambda$	1248(12)	1293(39)	1256(54)	1208(26)	1116
	$m_-^\Lambda$	1899(66)	1676(136)	1411(90)	1286(75)	1405–1670
	$m_+^{\Sigma^*}$	1526(32)	1588(40)	1536(43)	1455(35)	1385
	$m_-^{\Sigma^*}$	2131(62)	1974(122)	1772(103)	1542(60)	1670–1940
-2	$m_+^{\Xi}$	1355(9)	1401(36)	1359(41)	1310(32)	1318
	$m_-^{\Xi}$	1917(27)	1808(92)	1558(76)	1415(50)	1690–1950
	$m_+^{\Xi^*}$	1594(24)	1656(35)	1606(40)	1526(29)	1530
	$m_-^{\Xi^*}$	2164(42)	2034(95)	1810(77)	1578(48)	1820
-3	$m_+^\Omega$	1661(21)	1723(32)	1685(37)	1606(43)	1672
	$m_-^\Omega$	2193(30)	2092(91)	1863(76)	1576(66)	2250

# Baryons in the hadronic phase

masses  $m_{\pm}(T)$ , normalised with  $m_+$  at lowest temperature



in each channel:

- emerging degeneracy around  $T_c$
- negative-parity masses reduced as  $T$  increases
- positive-parity masses nearly  $T$  independent

# Baryons in the hadronic phase

findings

- positive-parity masses nearly  $T$  independent
- negative-parity masses reduced as  $T$  increases
- characteristic behaviour

$$m_-(T) = w(T, \gamma)m_-(0) + [1 - w(T, \gamma)]m_-(T_c)$$

with one-parameter transition function

$$w(T, \gamma) = \tanh[(1 - T/T_c)/\gamma] / \tanh(1/\gamma)$$

- small (large)  $\gamma \Leftrightarrow$  narrow (broad) transition region

fits in each  
channel

- $0.22 \lesssim \gamma \lesssim 0.35$ , mean  $\gamma = 0.27(1)$
- $0.85 \lesssim m_-(T_c)/m_+(0) \lesssim 1.1$

# Baryons and parity partners

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- relevant for heavy-ion phenomenology?

implement in HRG: in-medium baryon masses

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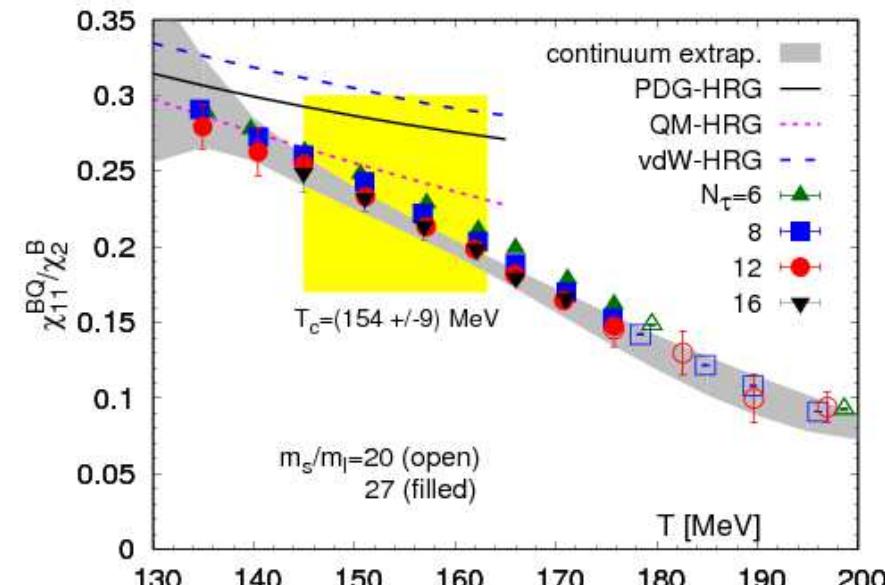
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implement in HRG: in-medium baryon masses

- keep pos parity masses fixed
- reduce neg parity groundstate masses according to

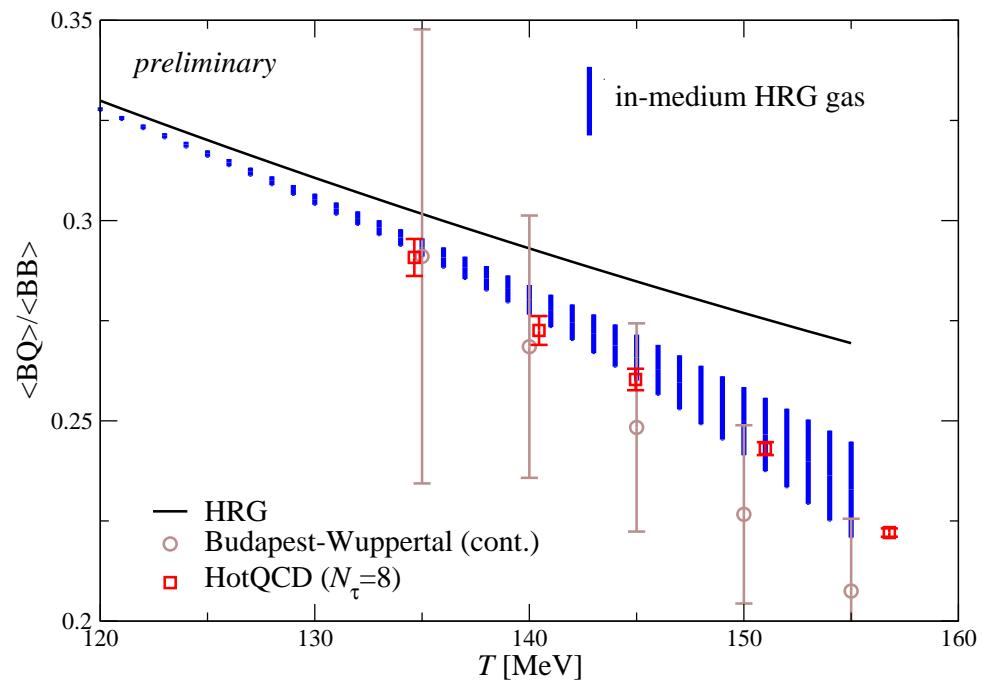
$$m_-(T) = w(T, \gamma)m_-(0) + [1 - w(T, \gamma)]m_-(T_c)$$

- use PDG masses at  $T = 0$
- strength of crossover: vary  $\gamma$
- biggest uncertainty:  $m_-(T_c)$

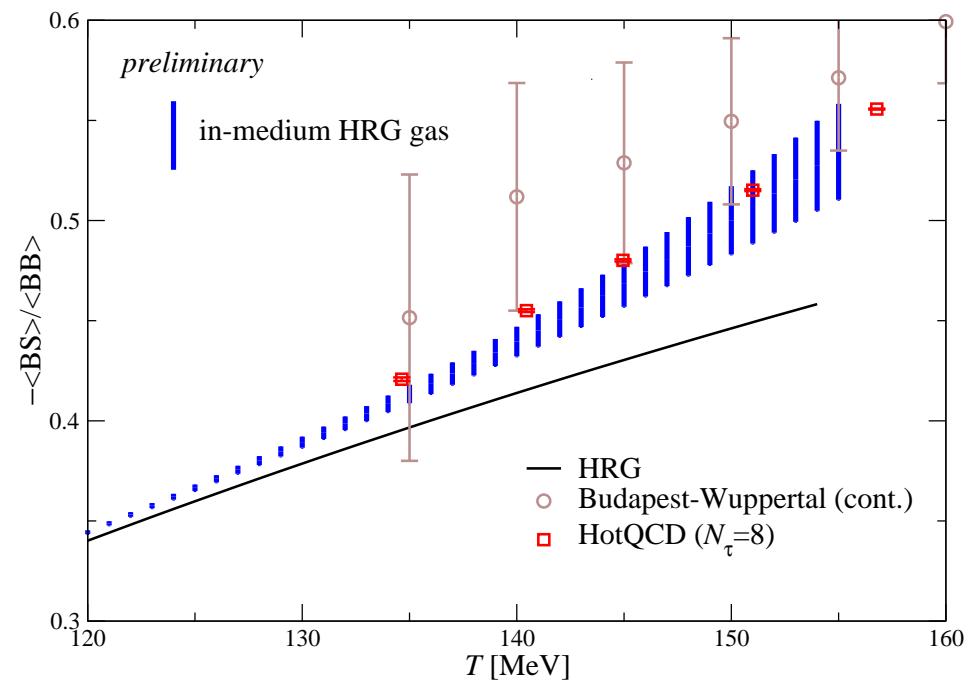


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# In-medium hadron resonance gas



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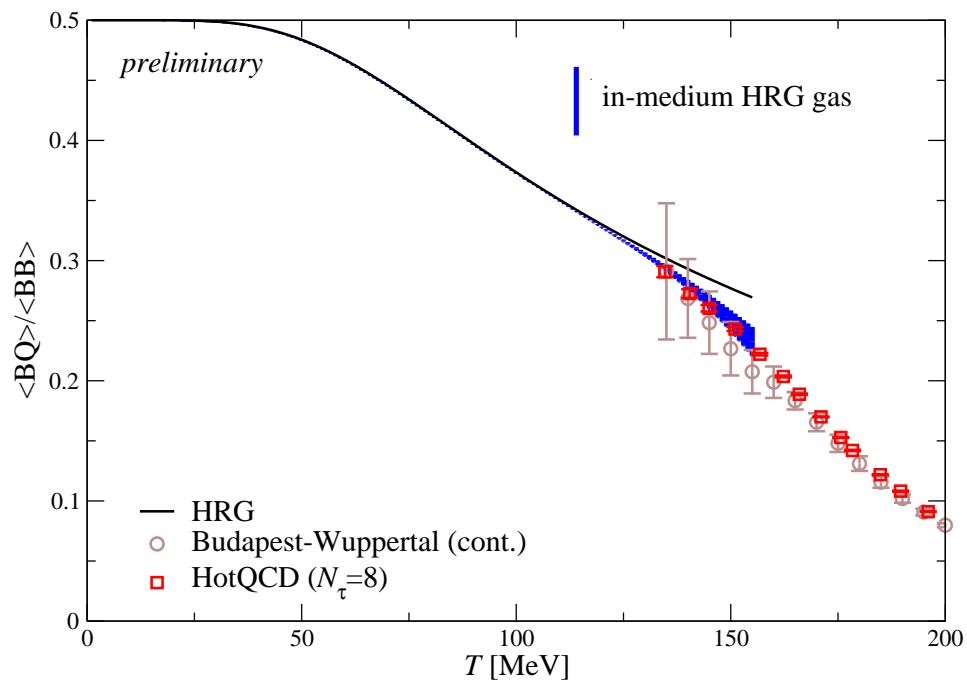


$$- \langle BS \rangle / \langle BB \rangle$$

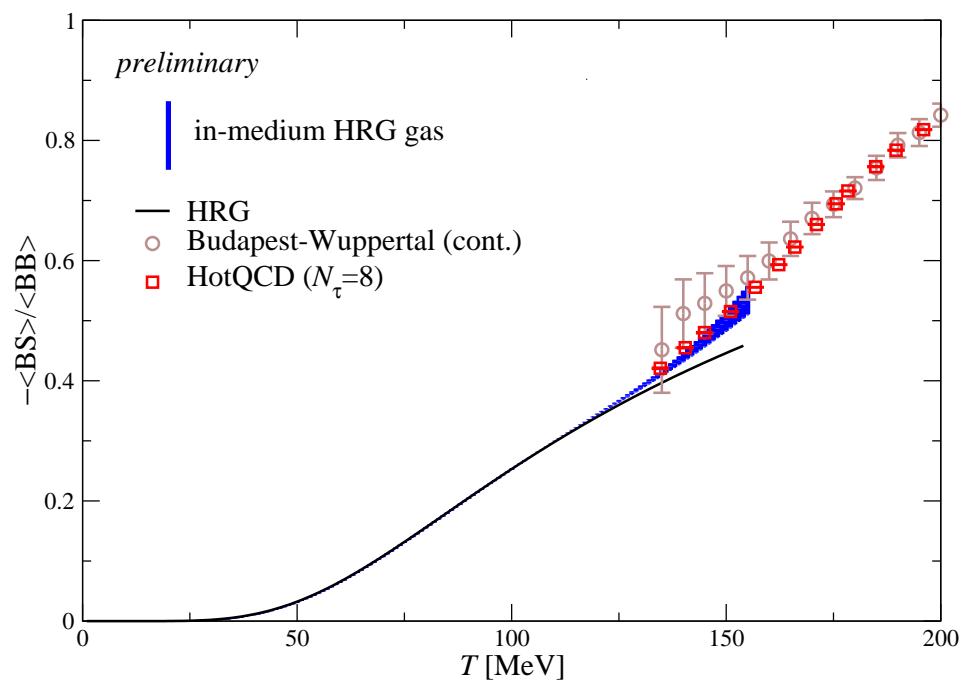
- comparison with conventional HRG and lattice data
- bands indicate uncertainty in width of transition  $\gamma$  (minor effect) and  $m_-(T_c)$

thanks to Szabolcs Borsanyi and Frithjof Karsch for lattice data

# In-medium hadron resonance gas



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$$-\langle BS \rangle / \langle BB \rangle$$

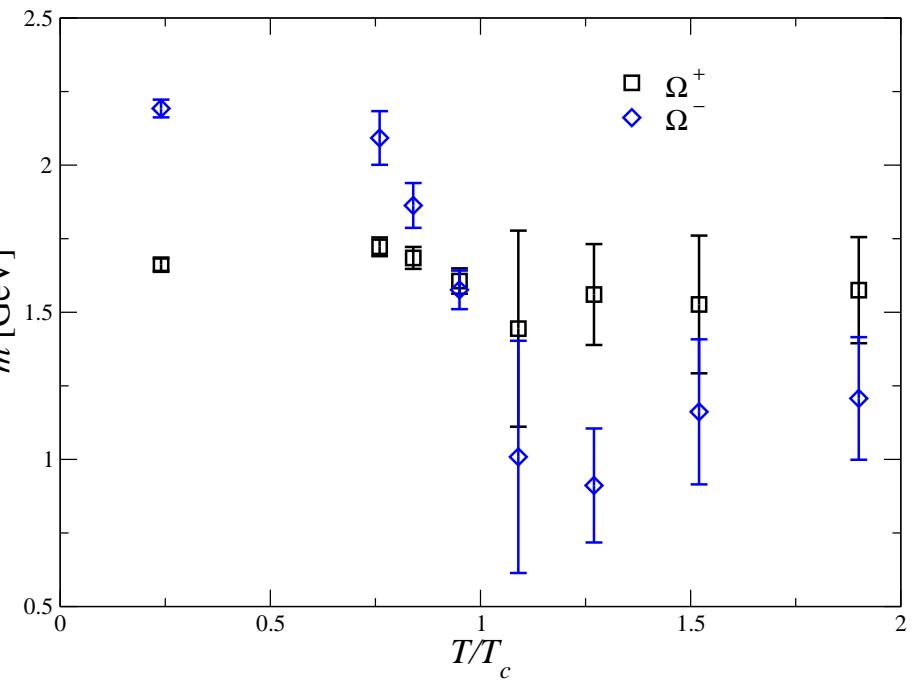
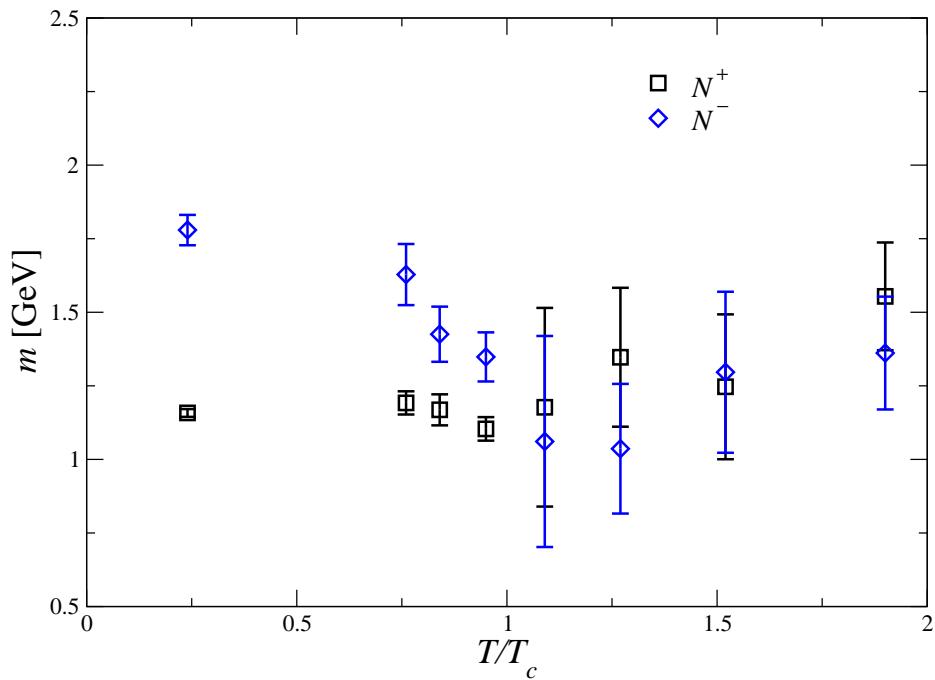
- entire temperature range: striking effect
- improvement on conventional HRG
- combine with other suggestions (quark model states)?

# QGP: fate of light baryons

consider now the quark-gluon plasma

- no clearly identifiable groundstates: baryons dissolved

example: use conventional exponential fits



no clearly defined groundstates above  $T_c$

# QGP: fate of light baryons

- no clearly identifiable groundstates: baryons dissolved
- chiral symmetry restoration  $\Leftrightarrow$  parity doubling
- study correlator ratio

Datta, Gupta, Mathur et al 2013

$$R(\tau) = \frac{G_+(\tau) - G_-(\tau)}{G_+(\tau) + G_-(\tau)}$$

- no parity doubling and  $m_- \gg m_+$ :  $R(\tau) = 1$
- parity doubling:  $R(\tau) = 0$

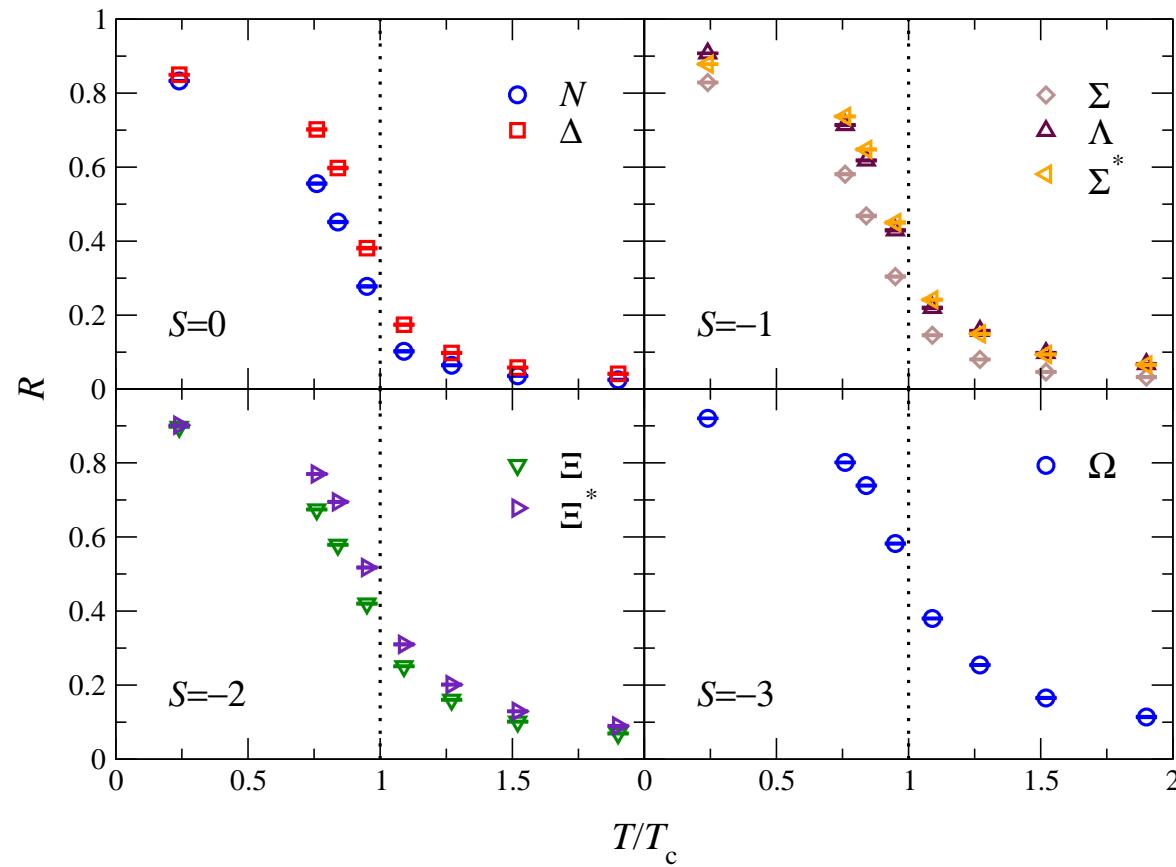
by construction:  $R(1/T - \tau) = -R(\tau)$  and  $R(1/2T) = 0$

- integrated ratio
- $\Rightarrow$  quasi-order parameter

$$R = \frac{\sum_n R(\tau_n)/\sigma^2(\tau_n)}{\sum_n 1/\sigma^2(\tau_n)}$$

# Quasi-order parameter

parity doubling in the QGP:  $R \sim 1 \rightarrow 0$



- crossover behaviour, tied with deconfinement transition and hence chiral transition – note:  $m_q \neq 0$
- effect of heavier  $s$  quark visible

# Summary: baryons in medium

in hadronic phase

- pos parity groundstates mostly  $T$  independent
- $T$  dependence in neg-parity groundstates  
reduction in mass, near degeneracy close to  $T_c$
- relevant for heavy-ion phenomenology?
- application: in-medium HRG

in quark-gluon plasma

- pos/neg parity channels degenerate: parity doubling
- linked to deconfinement and chiral symmetry
- effect of heavier  $s$  quark noticeable

# Outlook

in hadronic phase

- further implications for heavy-ion phenomenology
- strangeness dependence

lattice

- dependence on lighter quark masses/pions
- strength of crossover: transition region
- chiral properties important: use chiral fermions?

model approaches

- holography
- parity doubling models