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(HIC for FAIR) 1st Anniversary Colloquium on Thursday, July 2, 2009, 15:00 st

Welcome Address by the Scientific Director **Prof. Dr. Carsten Greiner**

Welcome Address by the Vice-President of the Goethe-Universität **Prof. Dr. Wolf Aßmus**

Welcome Address by the Vice-President of the Helmholtz-Gemeinschaft Deutscher Forschungszentren & Scientific Director of the GSI Helmholtzzentrum für Schwerionenforschung GmbH **Prof. Dr. Horst Stöcker**

Guest speaker: **Prof. Dr. Robert Pisarski** (Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, New York/USA)  
"Quarkyonic matter, and the triple point in the phase diagram of QCD"

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$T_c$

Triple Point

Quark-Gluon Plasma

Deconfinement

Chiral?

Hadronic

Quarkyonic

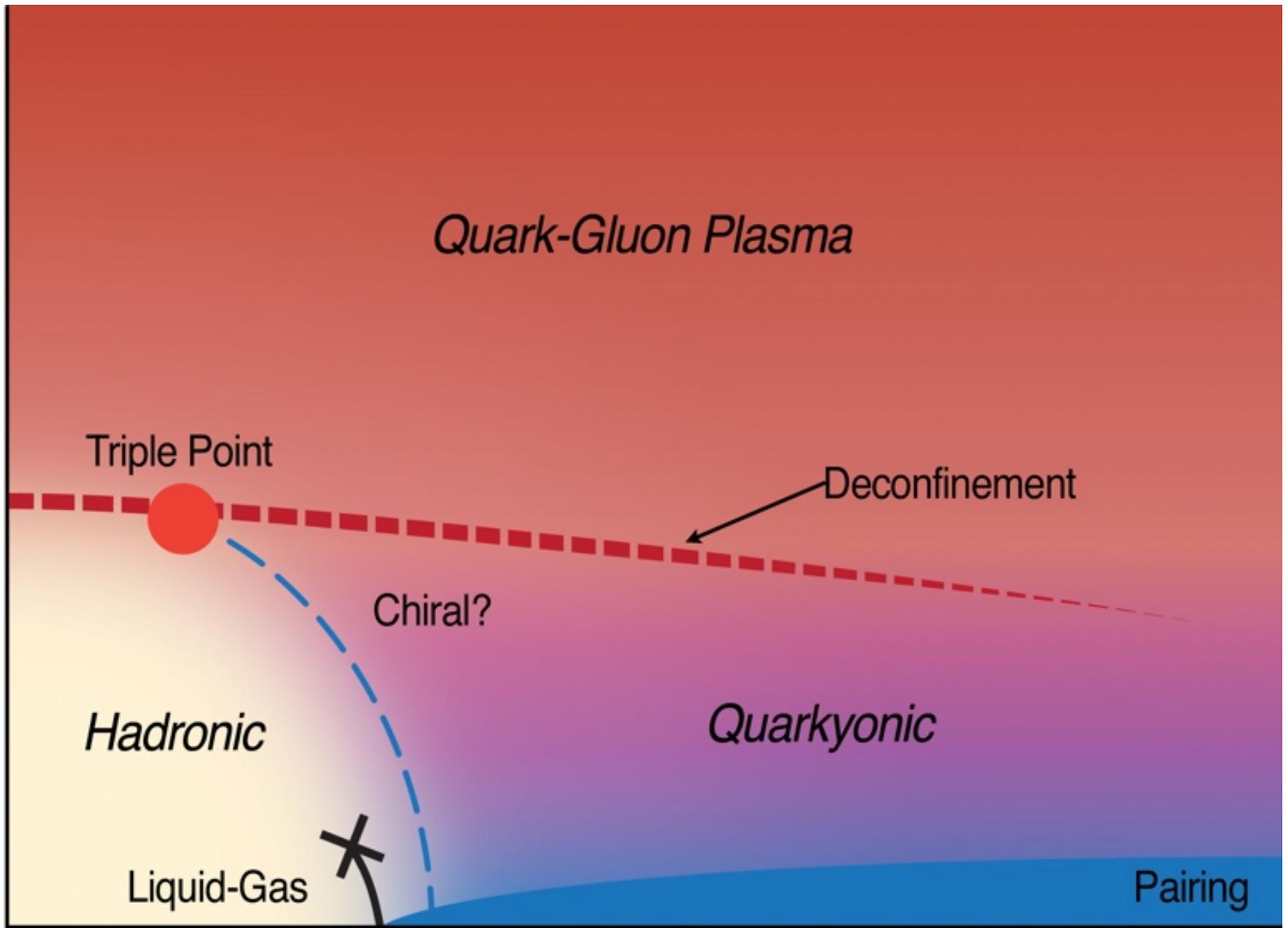
Liquid-Gas

Pairing

$M_N$

$\mu_B \longrightarrow$

$\mu_B \longrightarrow$



# A triple point in the QCD phase diagram? From SPS, to RHIC, & (down) to FAIR

1. Large  $N_c$ , small  $N_f$ :  
Quark-yonic matter - quark Fermi sea *plus* bar-yonic Fermi surface  
*Triple point. Deconfining critical end point at large  $\mu_{qk} \sim N_c^{1/2}$*
2. Large  $N_c$ , large  $N_f$ : baryon density as order parameter
3. New phase diagram for QCD
4. “Purely pionic” effective Lagrangians and nuclear matter:  
The unbearable lightness of being (nuclear matter)?

## Gazdzicki's Strange “MatterHorn” $\approx$ Triple Point?

McLerran & RDP, 0706.2191. Hidaka, McLerran, & RDP 0803.0279

McLerran, Redlich & Sasaki 0812.3585

Hidaka, Kojo, McLerran, & RDP 09.....

Blaizot, Nowak, McLerran & RDP 09.....

Blaschke, Braun-Munzinger, Cleymans, Fukushima, Oeschler,  
RDP, McLerran, Redlich, Sasaki, Stachel (BBMCFOPMRSS) '09....

Brief summary of what is to come

# The “usual” phase diagram of QCD

**Cabibbo and Parisi '75:** Hagedorn spectrum not limiting temperature, but transition to “unconfined” phase.

Semi-circle in the  $\mu - T$  plane ( $\mu =$  quark chemical potential,  $T =$  temperature)

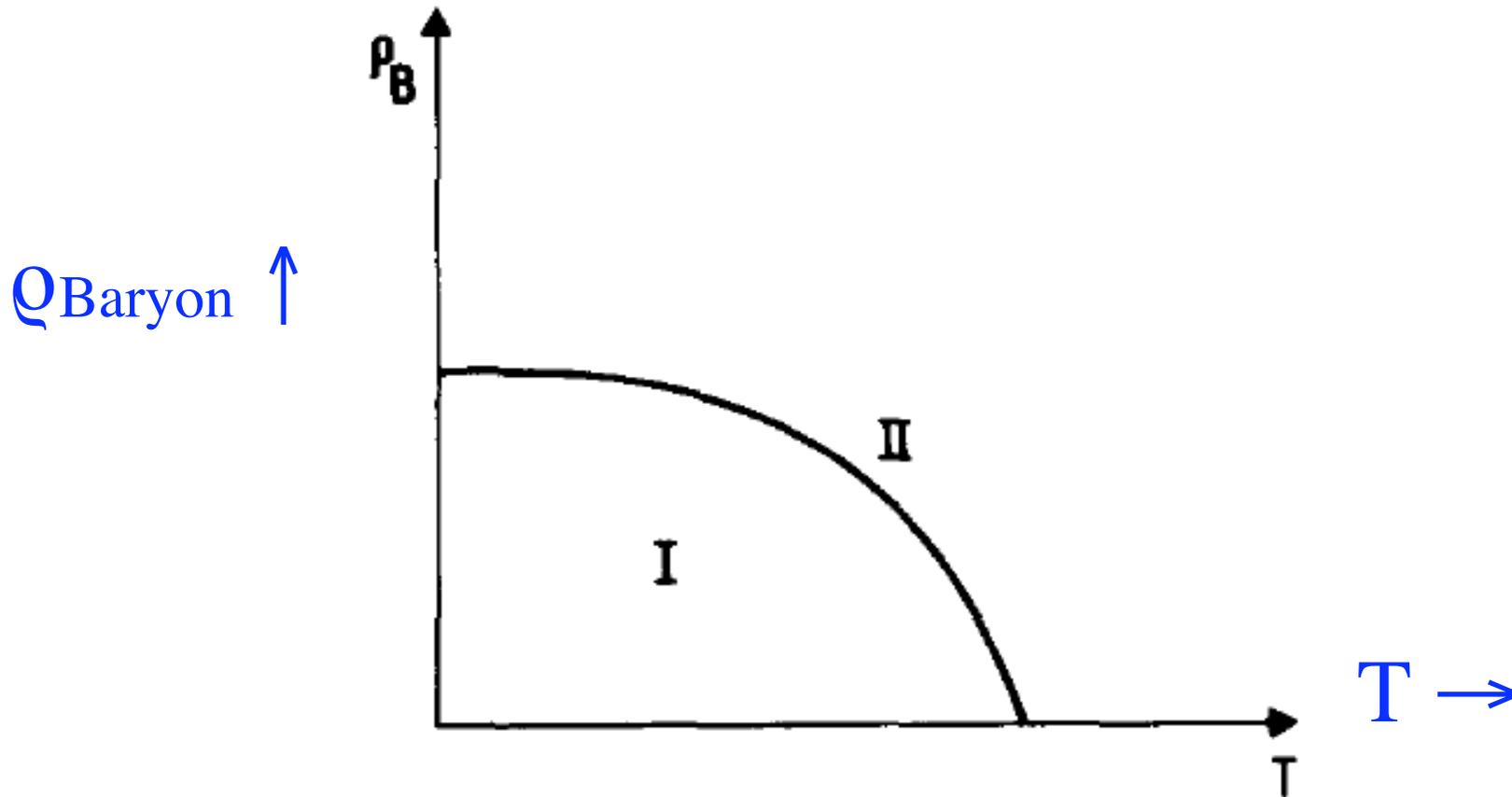
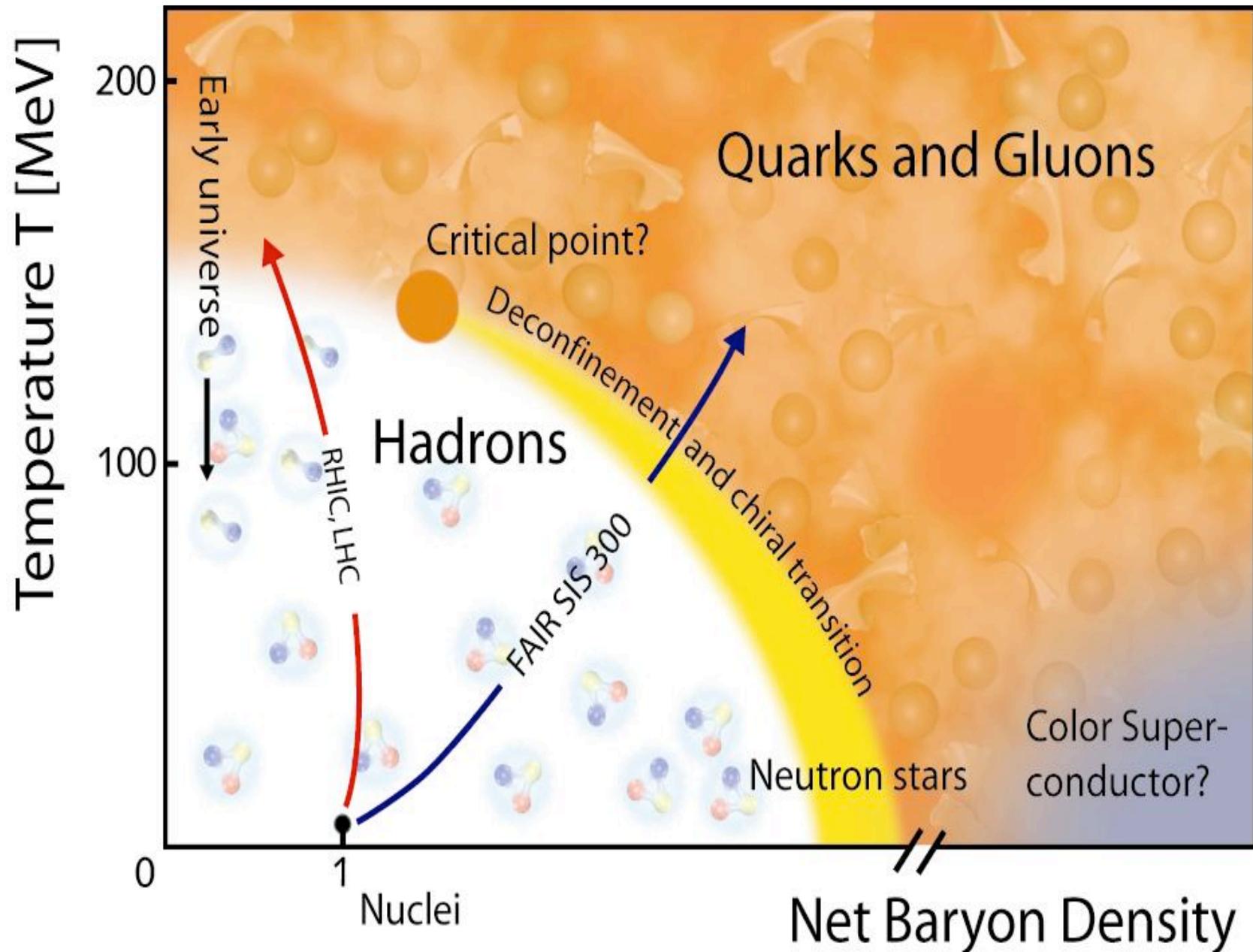


Fig. 1. Schematic phase diagram of hadronic matter.  $\rho_B$  is the density of baryonic number. Quarks are confined in phase I and unconfined in phase II.

# The “usual” phase diagram, updated

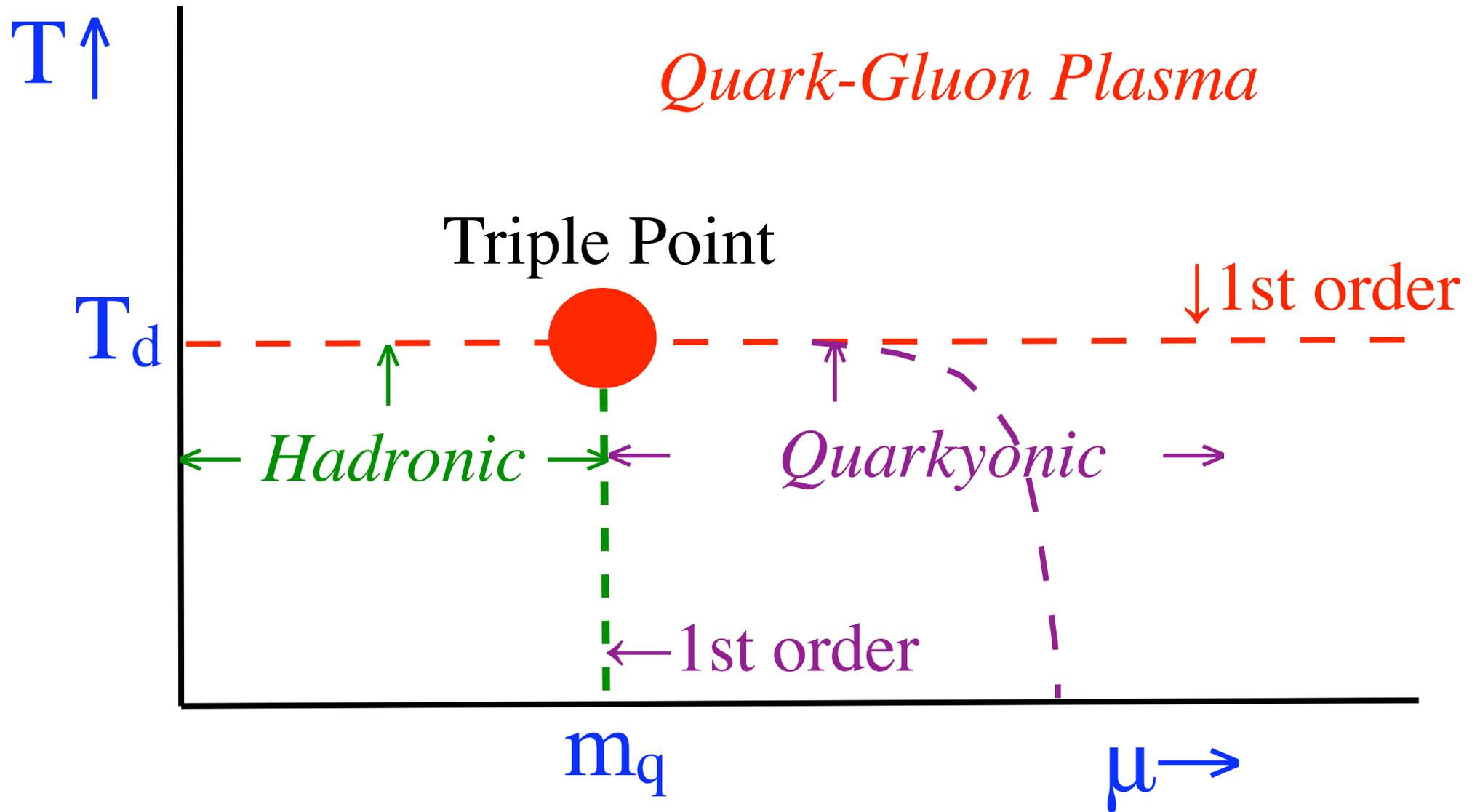
In plane of  $\mu$  -  $T$  plane: *critical end point?* Still semi-circle...

Rajagopal, Shuryak, Stephanov hep-ph/9806219, 9903292

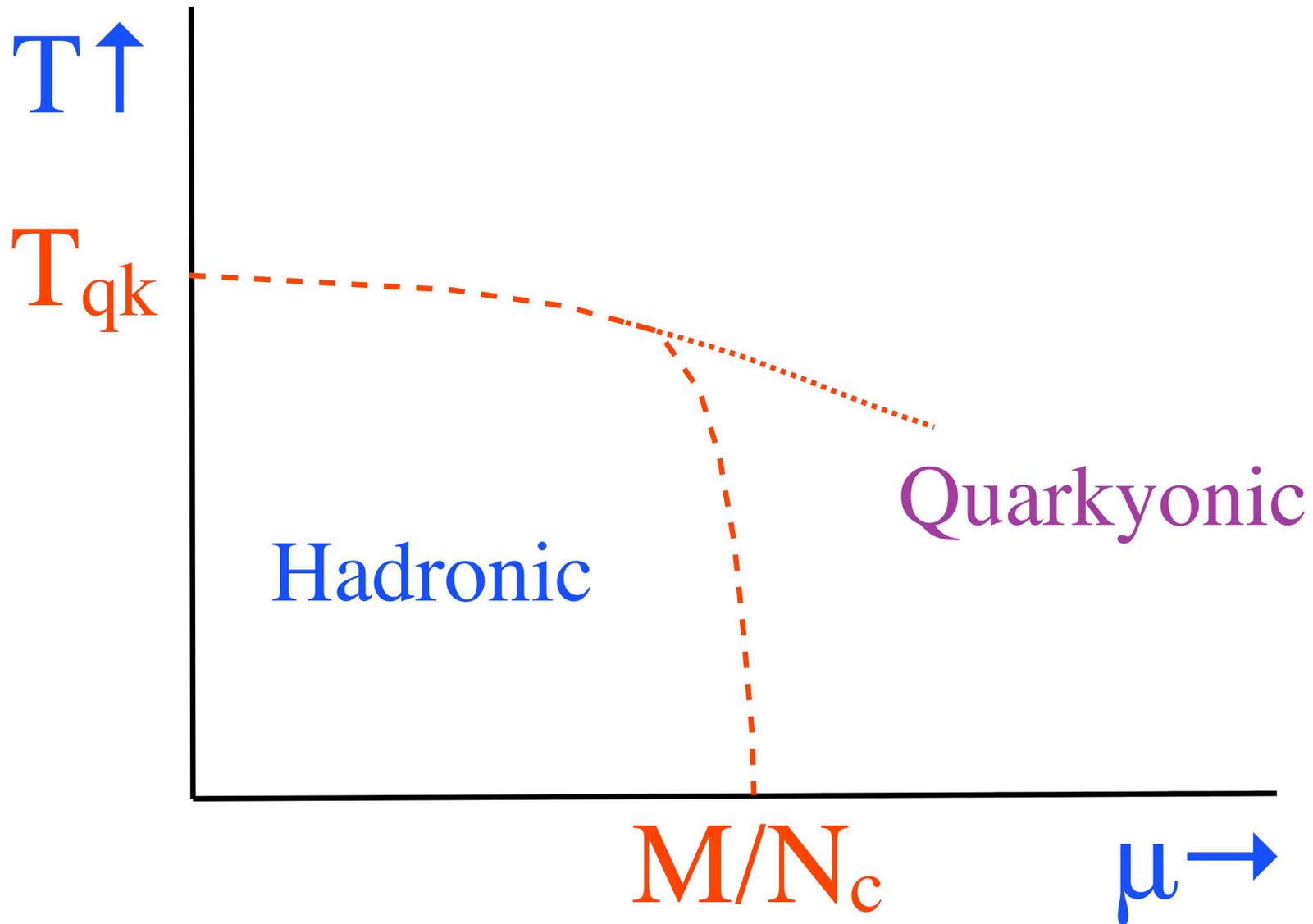


# Cartoon Physics:

If you take this... (large  $N_c$ , small  $N_f$ )

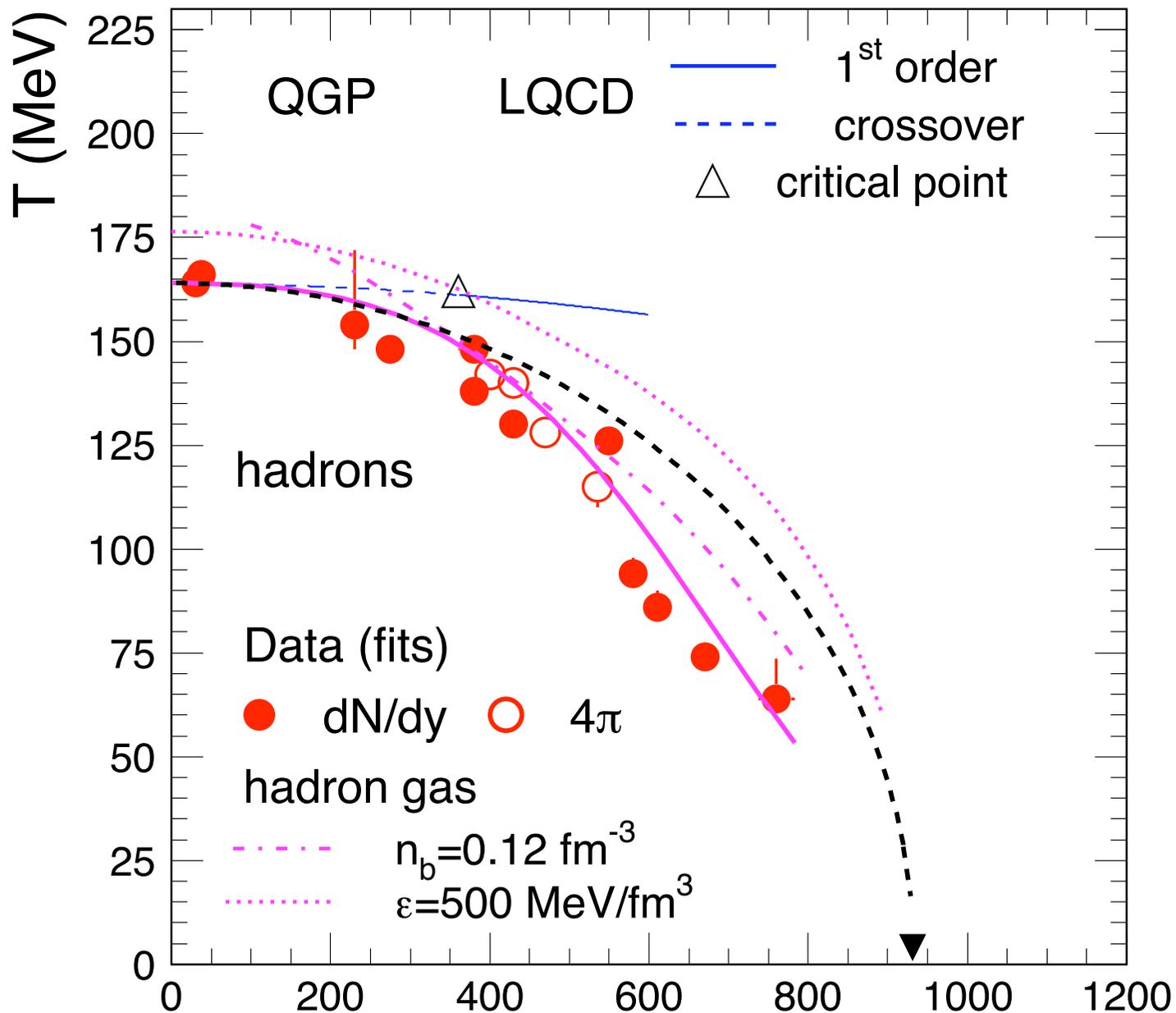


and then this...  
(large  $N_c$ , large  $N_f$ )

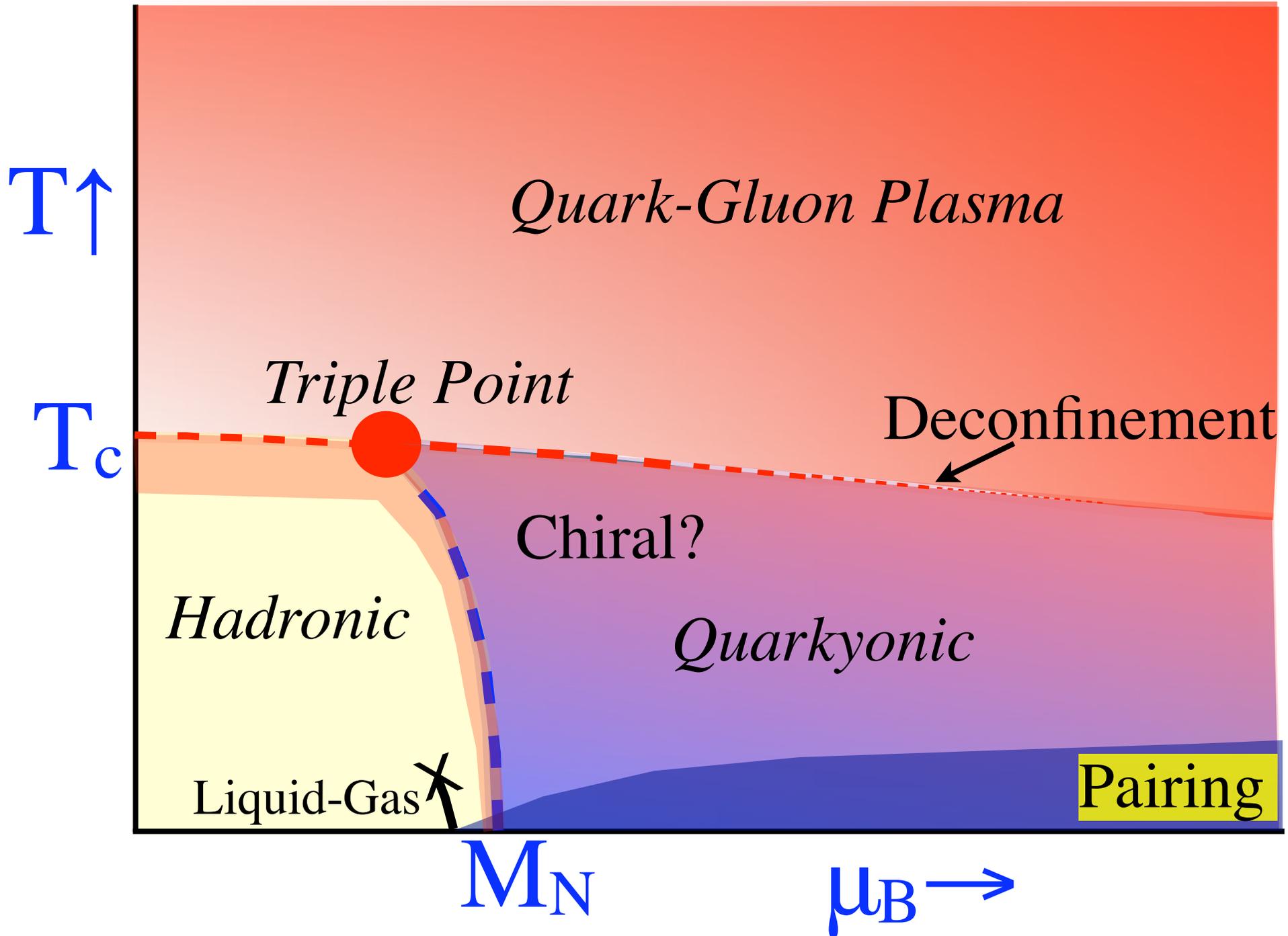


and look at this...

AGS & SPS: “just” baryonic to mesonic freezeout?



You might get...



So what really *is* Quarkyonic matter?

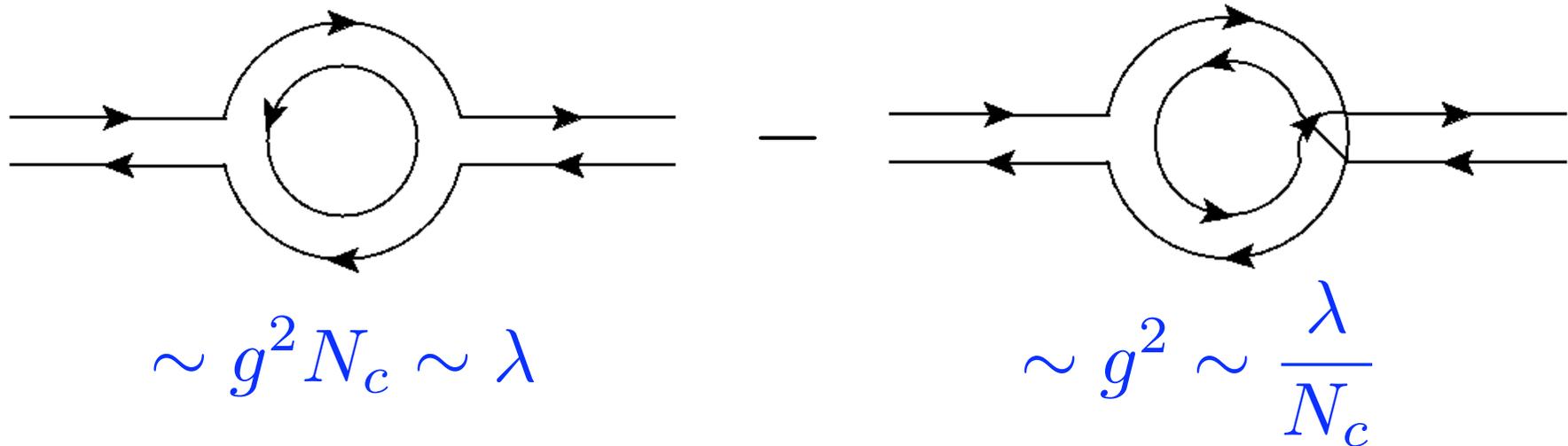
# QCD at large $N_c$ , small $N_f$

In  $SU(N_c)$ , gluons matrices,  $N_c \times N_c$ , quarks column vectors.

Denote fund. rep. by a line: quarks have one line, gluons have two.

't Hooft '74: let  $N_c = \# \text{ colors} \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\lambda = g^2 N_c$  fixed. Keep  $N_f = \# \text{ flavors}$  finite.

Consider gluon self energy at 1 loop order. For *any*  $N_c$ , color structure in all diagrams (3 gluon & 4 gluon vertices) reduces to (Hidaka & RDP 0906.1751)

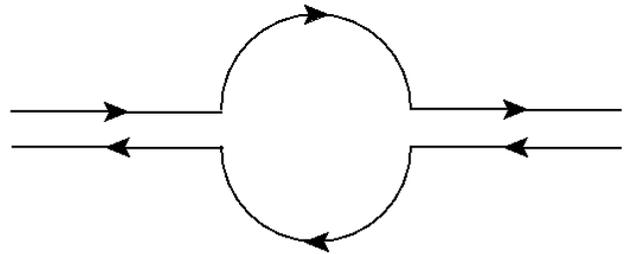


First diagram is “planar”. Second, involving trace, is not, is down by  $1/N_c$ .

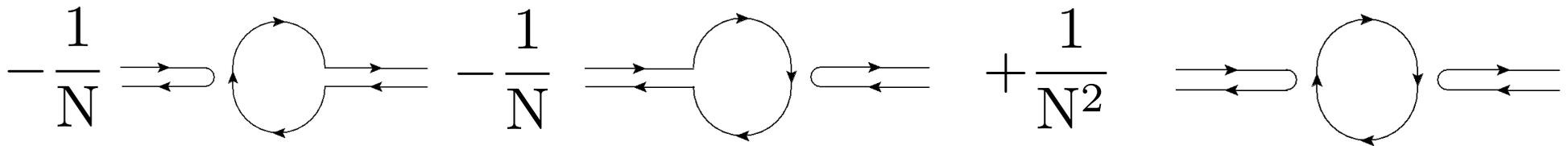
At large  $N_c$  and small  $N_f$ , planar diagrams dominate.

# Large $N_c$ and small $N_f$ : *glue* dominates

Contribution of the quarks to the gluon self energy at 1 loop order, any  $N_c$ :



$$\sim g^2 N_f \sim \frac{1}{N_c} N_f \lambda$$



$$-\frac{1}{N} \text{ (ghost loop)} - \frac{1}{N} \text{ (quark loop)} + \frac{1}{N^2} \text{ (ghost loop)}$$

If  $N_f/N_c \rightarrow 0$  as  $N_c \rightarrow \infty$ , loops *dominated* by gluons, *blind* to quarks.

Quarks act *something* like external sources, not quite.

N.B.: limit of large  $N_c$ , small  $N_f$  is *free* of the pathologies of  $N_f = 0$  (quenched)

No problems considering nonzero quark density,  $\mu_{qk}$ :

quarks do *not* affect gluons when  $\mu_{qk} \sim 1$ !

# Phases at large $N_c$ and small $N_f$

$T = \mu_{qk} = 0$ : confinement, only color singlets. Glueballs, meson masses  $\sim 1$ .  
Baryons *very* heavy, masses  $\sim N_c$ , so no virtual baryon anti-baryon pairs.

$T \neq 0, \mu_{qk} = 0$ :

$T < T_c$  : Hadrons.  $T_c \sim$  glueball/meson mass  $\sim 1$ .

Degeneracy of hadrons  $\sim N_c^0 \sim 1$ , so pressure =  $p \sim 1$ .

$T > T_c$  : Quark-Gluon Plasma. Deconfined gluons & quarks.

Degeneracy  $\sim N_c^2$ , so  $p \sim N_c^2$ , dominated by gluons.

$T \neq 0, \mu_{qk} \neq 0$ : baryons only for  $\mu_{qk} > M_N/N_c = m_{qk} \sim N_c^0 \sim 1$ .

$T < T_c, \mu_{qk} < m_{qk}$  : Hadronic “box” in  $T$ - $\mu_{qk}$  plane: *no* baryons.

$T > T_c$  any  $\mu_{qk}$  : Quark-Gluon Plasma. Some quarks, so what,  $p_{qk} \sim N_c$ .

$T < T_c, \mu_{qk} > m_{qk}$  : *Confined* with Fermi sea of quarks, “*quark-yonic*”

Degeneracy  $\sim N_c$ , so  $p \sim N_c$ . Quarks or (bar)ions?

*Dense* nuclear matter (*not* dilute)

# Lattice: (pure glue) SU(3) close to SU( $\infty$ )

Bringoltz & Teper, hep-lat/0506034 & 0508021:

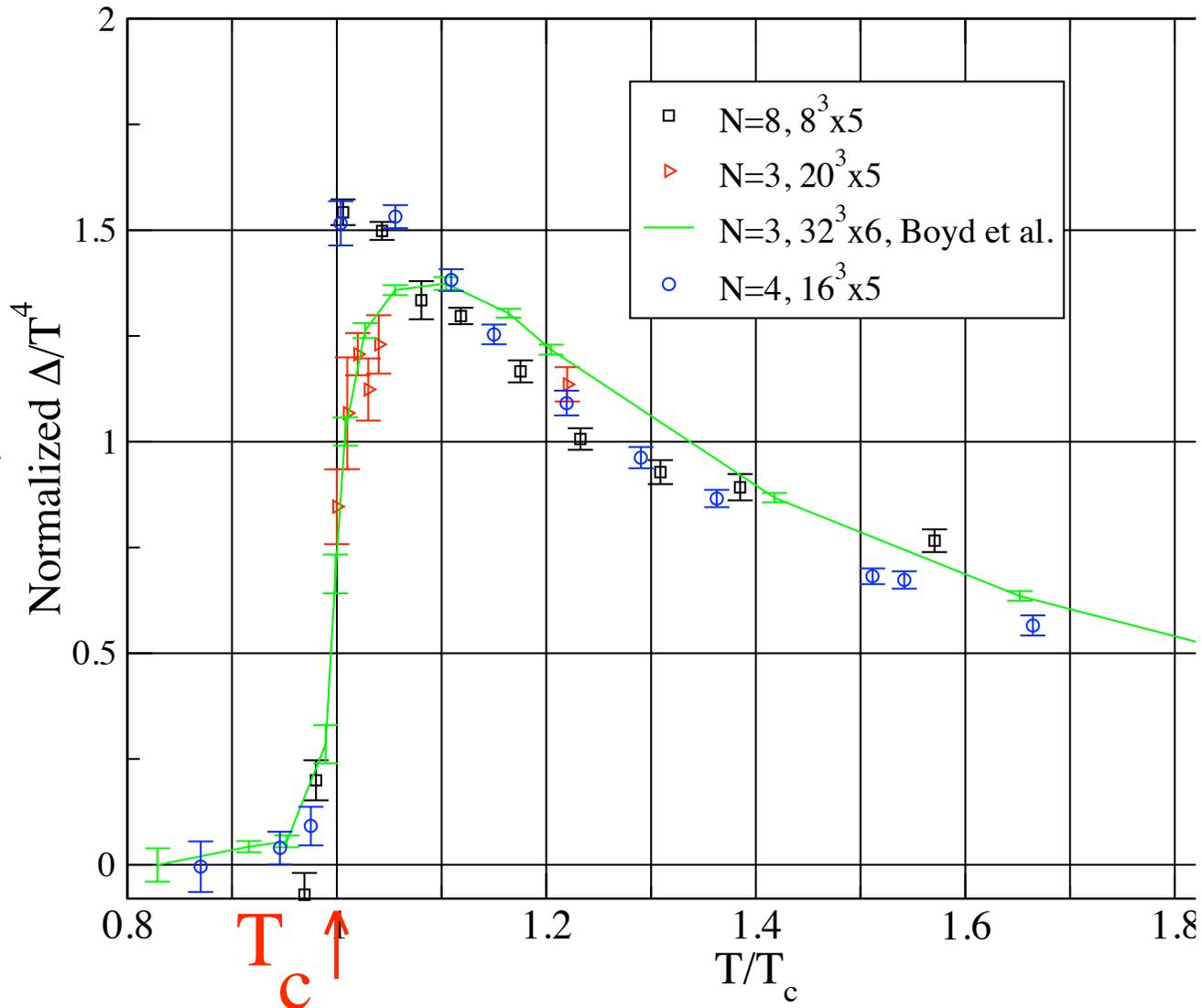
SU( $N_c$ ), *no quarks*,  $N_c = 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12$ .

Deconfining transition first order, latent heat  $\sim N_c^2$ .

Hagedorn temperature  $T_H \sim 1.116(9) T_c$  for  $N_c = \infty$

$$\frac{e - 3p}{N^2 T^4} \sim \text{const.}$$

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$T/T_c \rightarrow$

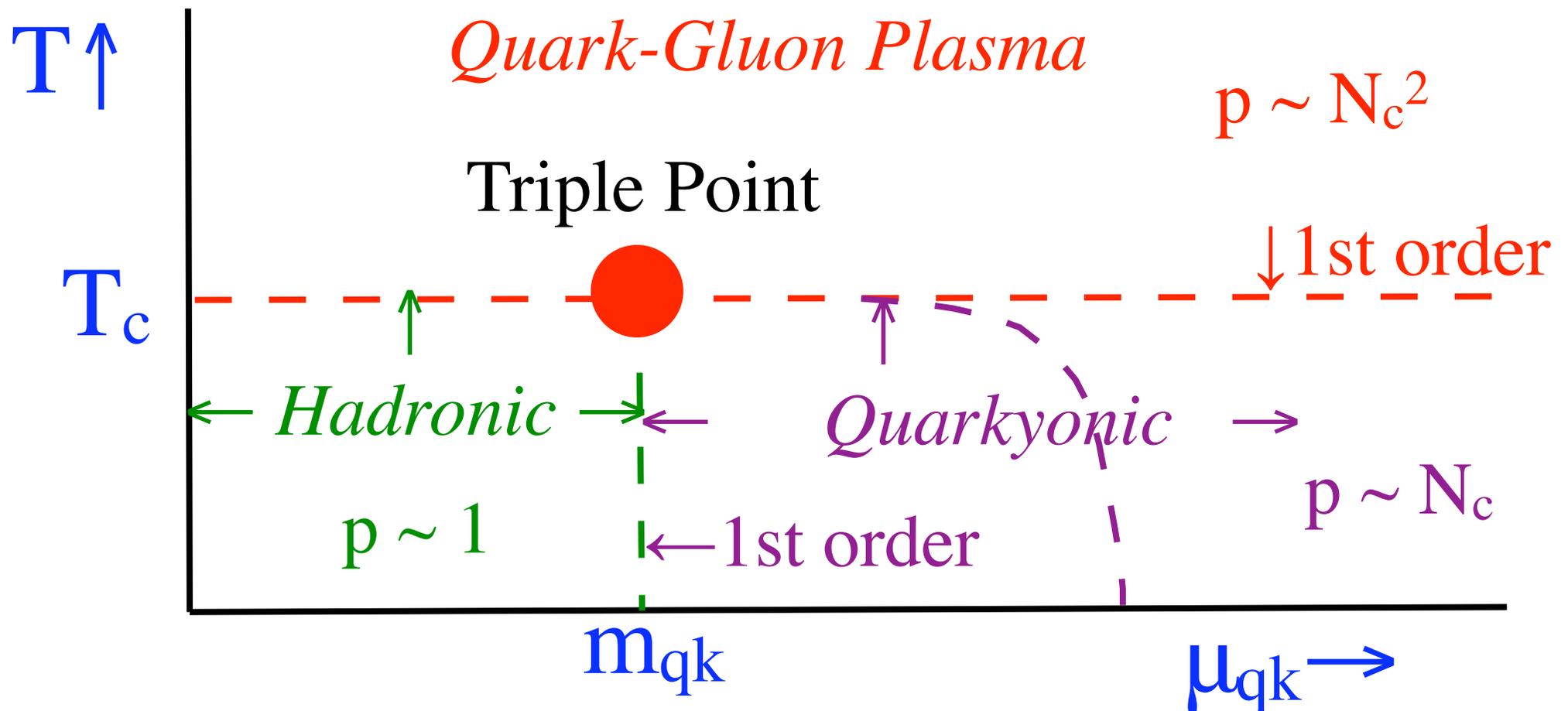
# Phase diagram at large $N_c$ and small $N_f$

Lattice (Teper, 0812.0085): deconfining transition 1st order at  $T \neq 0$ ,  $\mu_{qk} = 0$ .  
must remain so when  $\mu_{qk} \neq 0$ . *Straight* line in  $T - \mu_{qk}$  plane.

Hadronic/Quarkyonic transition: energy density jumps by  $N_c$ , 1st order?

Chiral transition: in Quarkyonic phase?

True triple point!



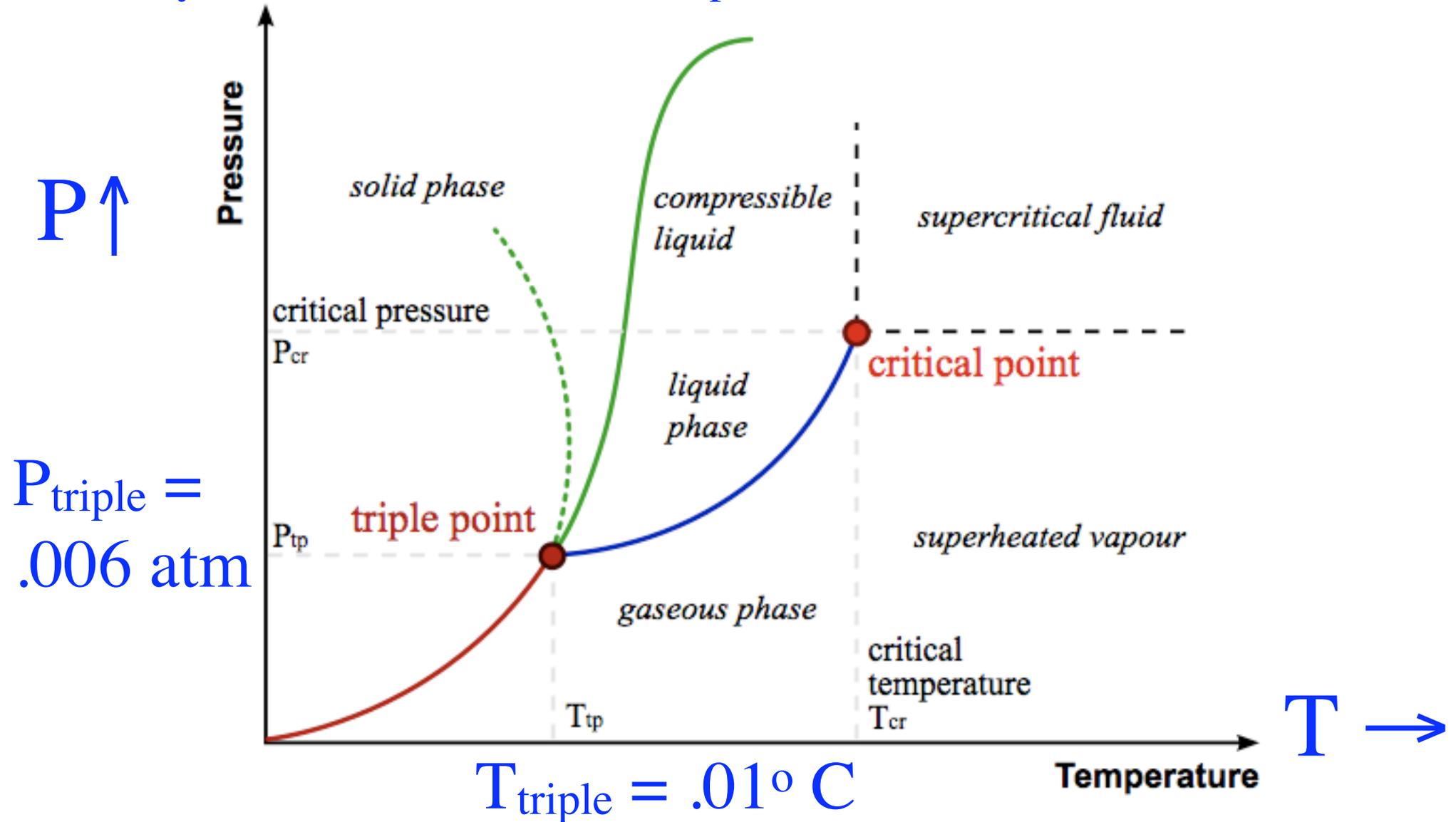
# Triple point for water

Triple point where three lines of first order transitions meet.

E.g., for ice/water/steam, in plane of temperature and pressure.

(Generalizes: four lines of first order transitions meeting is a quadruple point.)

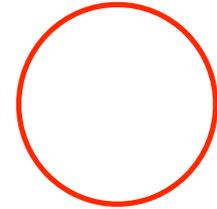
Generically, *distinct* from critical (end) point, where one first order line ends.



# Nuclear matter at large $N_c$ , no miracles

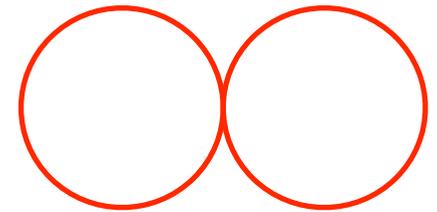
$\mu_{\text{Baryon}} = \sqrt{k_F^2 + M^2}$ ,  $k_F$  = baryon Fermi mom. Ideal pressure small,  $\sim 1/N_c$  :

$$P_{\text{ideal baryons}} \sim n(k_F) \frac{k_F^2}{M} \sim \frac{1}{N_c} \frac{k_F^5}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$$



Usual large  $N$  counting: two body int.'s *big*, contribute  $\sim N_c$  to pressure:

$$\delta P_{\text{two body int.'s}} \sim N_c \frac{n(k_F)^2}{\Lambda_{QCD}^2} \sim N_c \frac{k_F^6}{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}$$



At large  $N_c$ , (dilute) nuclear matter dominated by potential terms: crystal

Two body, three body... interactions *all* contribute  $\sim N_c$ .

Pressure ideal  $\sim$  two body interactions for small momenta,

$$k_F \sim \frac{1}{N_c^2} \Lambda_{QCD}$$

$$\mu - m_q = \frac{\mu_B - M}{N_c} = \frac{k_F^2}{2MN_c} \sim \frac{1}{N_c^2} k_F^2$$

Hence dilute nuclear matter only in a *very* narrow window.

# Quarkyonic phase at large $N_c$ , large $\mu$ ?

Let  $\mu \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  but  $\sim N_c^0$ . Coupling runs with  $\mu$ , so pressure  $\sim N_c$  is close to perturbative! How can the pressure be (nearly) perturbative in a confined theory?

Pressure: dominated by quarks far from Fermi surf.: *perturbative*,

$$p_{\text{qk}} \sim N_c \mu^4 (1 + g^2(\mu) + g^4(\mu) \log(\mu) + \dots)$$

Within  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  of Fermi surface: *confined states*.

$$p_{\text{qk}} \sim N_c \mu^4 (\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/\mu)^2, \text{ *non-perturbative*.}$$

Within skin, only confined states contribute.

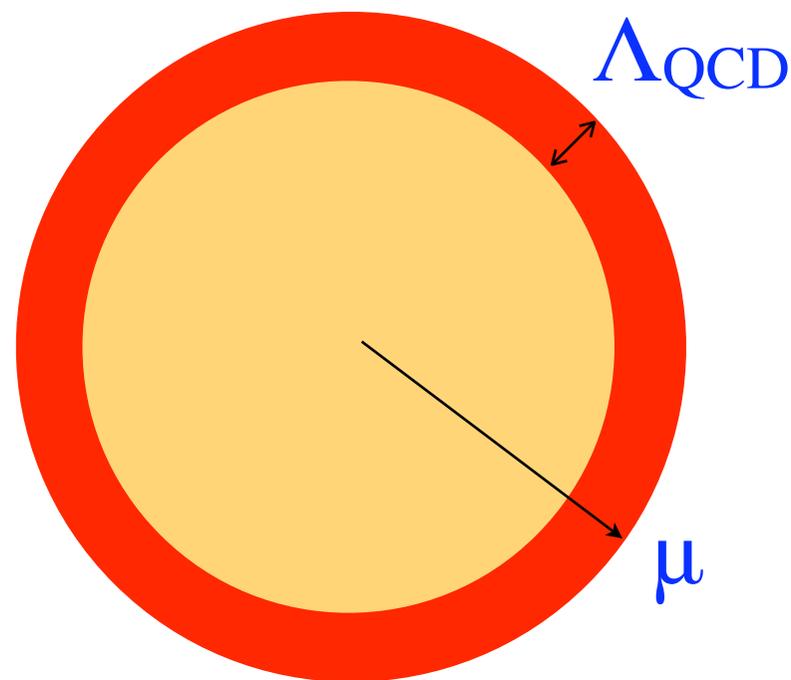
Fermi sea of quarks + Fermi surface of bar-yons  
= “quark-yonic”.  $N=3$ ?

Pressure dominated by quarks.

But transport properties *dominated* by confined states near Fermi surface!

For QCD: what is (cold) nuclear matter like at high density?

Just a quark NJL model?



# Deconfining critical end point at (large) $\mu_{qk} \sim N_c^{1/2}$

Semi-QGP theory of deconfinement: Hidaka & RDP 0803.0453

$$A_0 = \frac{T}{g} Q$$

For large  $\mu$ : compute one loop determinant in background field.

Korthals-Altes, Sinkovics, & RDP hep-ph/9904305

$$S_{qk} = \text{tr} (\mu + i T Q)^4, \quad T^2 \text{tr} (\mu + i T Q)^2, \quad N_c^2 T^4 V(Q)$$

RDP '09: for large  $\mu$ , expand:

$$S_{\mu \sim \sqrt{N_c}, T \sim 1}^{qk} \sim N_c \mu^4 - 6 \mu^2 T^2 \text{tr} Q^2 + \dots \sim N_c^3, \quad N_c^2 (\text{tr} Q^2 / N_c)$$

Consider  $\mu \sim N_c^{1/2}, T \sim 1$ : gluons *do* feel quarks.

Term  $\mu^4 \sim N_c^3$  dominates, but *independent* of  $Q$  and temperature.

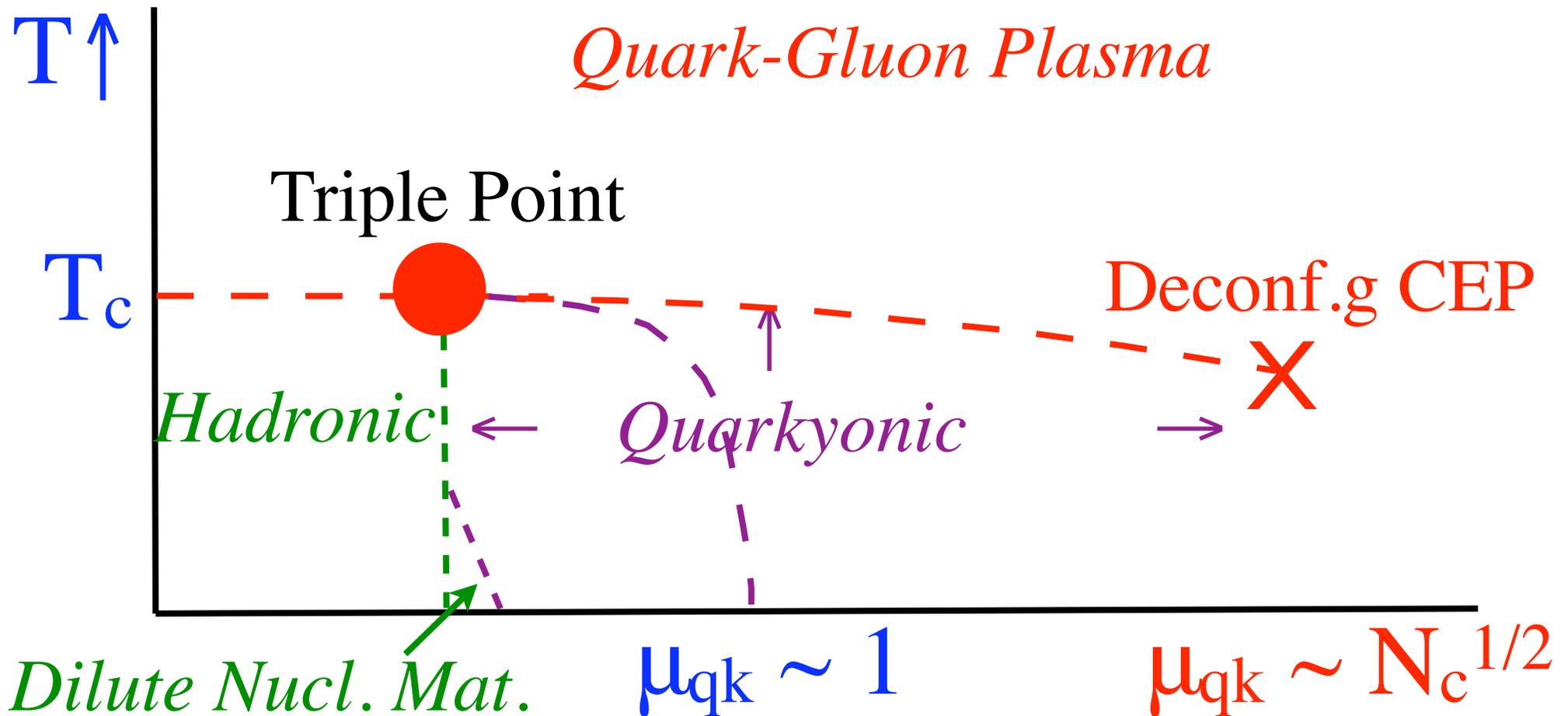
Term  $\mu^2 \sim N_c^2$   $Q$ -dependent. Breaks  $Z(N_c)$  symmetry, so washes out 1st order deconfining transition: **Deconfining Critical End Point (CEP)**

# Phase diagram at large $N_c$ and small $N_f$ , II

About deconfining Critical End Point (CEP), smooth transition between deconfined and quarkyonic phases.

Since gluons are sensitive to quarks for such large  $\mu$ , expect curvature in line. Triple point still well defined, as coincidence of three 1st order lines.

*Chiral transition?*



# Deconfining Critical End Point on a $N_c = \infty$ femto-sphere

Sundborg, hep-th/9908001; Aharony, Marsano, Minwalla, Papadodimas, & Van Raamsdonk, hep-th/0310285 & 0502149; Schnitzer, hep-th/0402219; Dumitru, Lenaghan, & RDP, hep-ph/0410294.

Consider (pure gauge)  $SU(N)$  on a *very* small sphere: radius  $R$ , with  $g^2(R) \ll 1$ .

(Sphere because constant modes simple, spherically symmetric)

At  $N = \infty$ , can have a phase transition even in a *finite* volume.

At  $g^2 = 0$ : *precisely* defined Hagedorn temperature,  $T_H$ . Density of states:

$$\rho(E \rightarrow \infty) \sim e^{E/T_H}, \quad T_H = \frac{1}{\log(2 + \sqrt{3})} \frac{1}{R}$$

$g^2 = 0$ : 1st order deconfining transition at  $T_d = T_H$ .  $T_d < T_H$  to  $\sim g^4$ .

At deconfining transition,  $\text{tr} L = \exp(i Q)/N$  (only) becomes massless.

Add quarks. Since  $\mu \gg 1/R$ , can use pressure in infinite volume.

Previous term dominates, acts like background field.

Washes out 1st order deconfining transition for any value of background field.

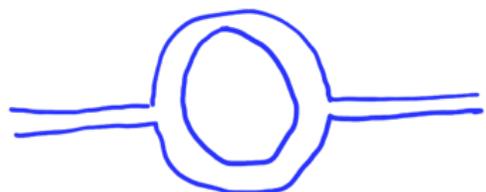
$N = \infty$  on a small sphere singular, deconf.'g CEP exists at any finite  $N$ .

# Baryons at large $N_c$ and large $N_f$

Veneziano '78: take *both*  $N_c$  and  $N_f$  large. Mesons  $M^{ij} : i, j = 1 \dots N_f$ .

Thus mesons interact weakly, but there are *many* mesons.

Thus in the hadronic phase, mesons interact *strongly*:



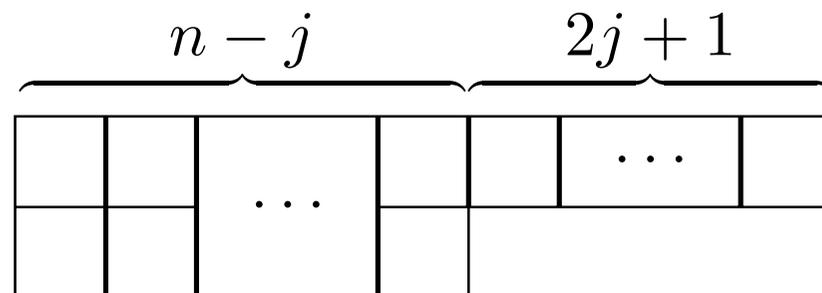
$$\Pi \sim N_f g_{3\pi}^2 \sim N_f / N_c$$

Pressure large in *both* phases:

$\sim N_f^2$  in hadronic phase,  $\sim N_c^2$ ,  $N_c N_f$  in “deconfined” phase.

Polyakov loop also nonzero in both phases.

Baryons: lowest state with spin  $j$   
has Young tableaux ( $N_c = 2n + 1$ ) =>



$$d_j = \frac{(2j + 2) (N_f + n + j)! (N_f + n - j - 2)!}{(N_f - 1)! (N_f - 2)! (n + j + 2)! (n - j)!}$$

# Baryons at Large $N_f$ : order parameters

Y. Hidaka, L. McLerran & RDP, 0803.0279: Use Sterling's formula,

$$d_j \sim e^{+N_c f(N_f/n)}, \quad f(x) = (1+x) \log(1+x) - x \log(x)$$

Degeneracy of baryons increases *exponentially*.

**Argument is heuristic:** baryons are strongly interacting.

Still, difficult to see how interactions can overwhelm exponentially growing spectrum, even for the lowest state.

Use *baryons* as order parameter. **At  $T=0$ , fluctuations in baryon number,**

$\langle B^2 \rangle \neq 0$  when  $N_c f(N_c/n) = m_B/T$ , or

$$T_{qk} = f(N_f/n) \frac{m_B}{N_c}$$

**At  $\mu \neq 0$ , baryon number itself:**

$\langle B \rangle \neq 0$  when  $N_c f(N_c/n) = (m_B - N_c \mu)/T$ :

$$T_{qk} = f(N_f/n) \left( \frac{m_B}{N_c} - \mu \right)$$

# Possible phase diagrams at large $N_f$

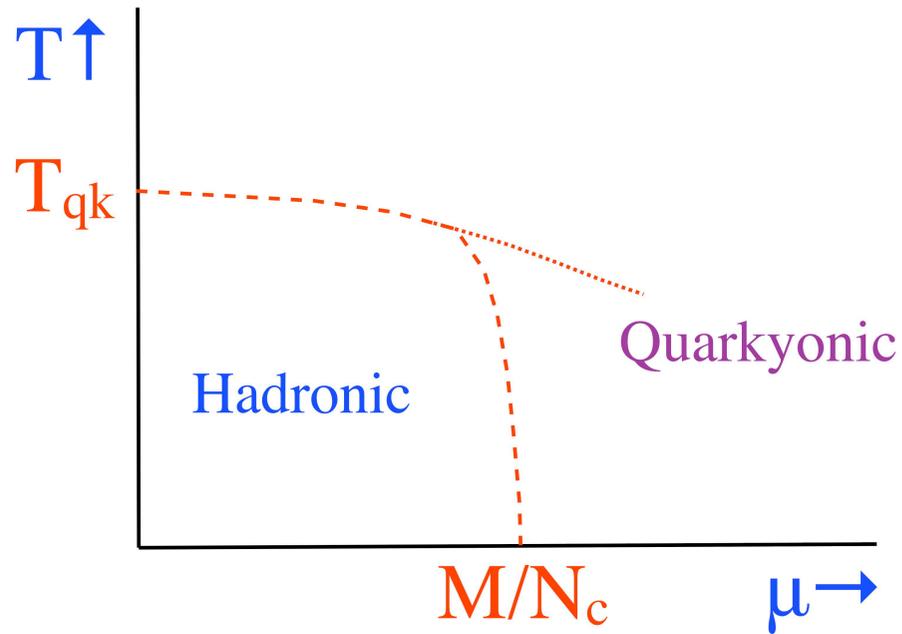
The “rectangle” for small  $N_f$  becomes smoothed.

Eventually, maybe the quarkyonic line merges with that for baryon condensation.

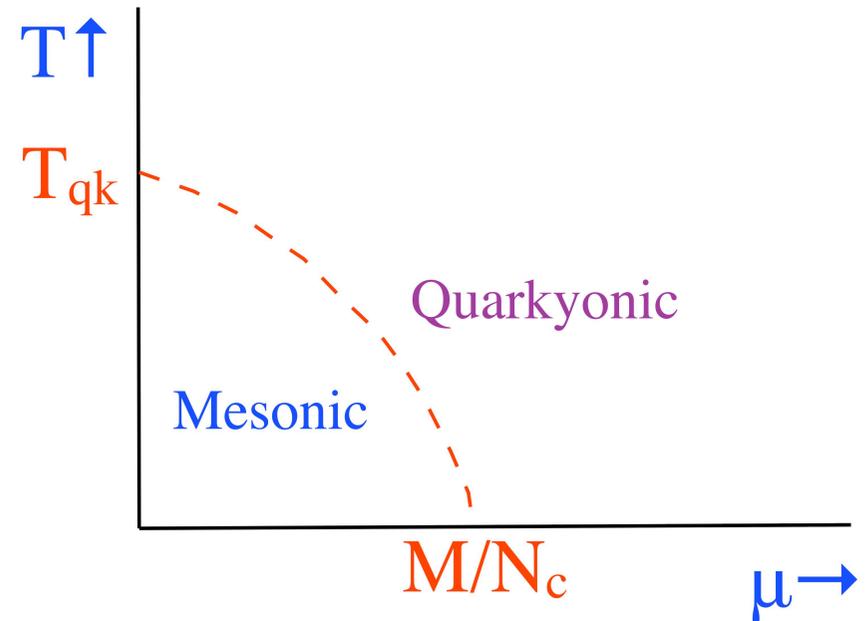
All *VERY* qualitative. Clearly many possible phase diagrams!

With SUSY: condensation of Higgs fields as well.

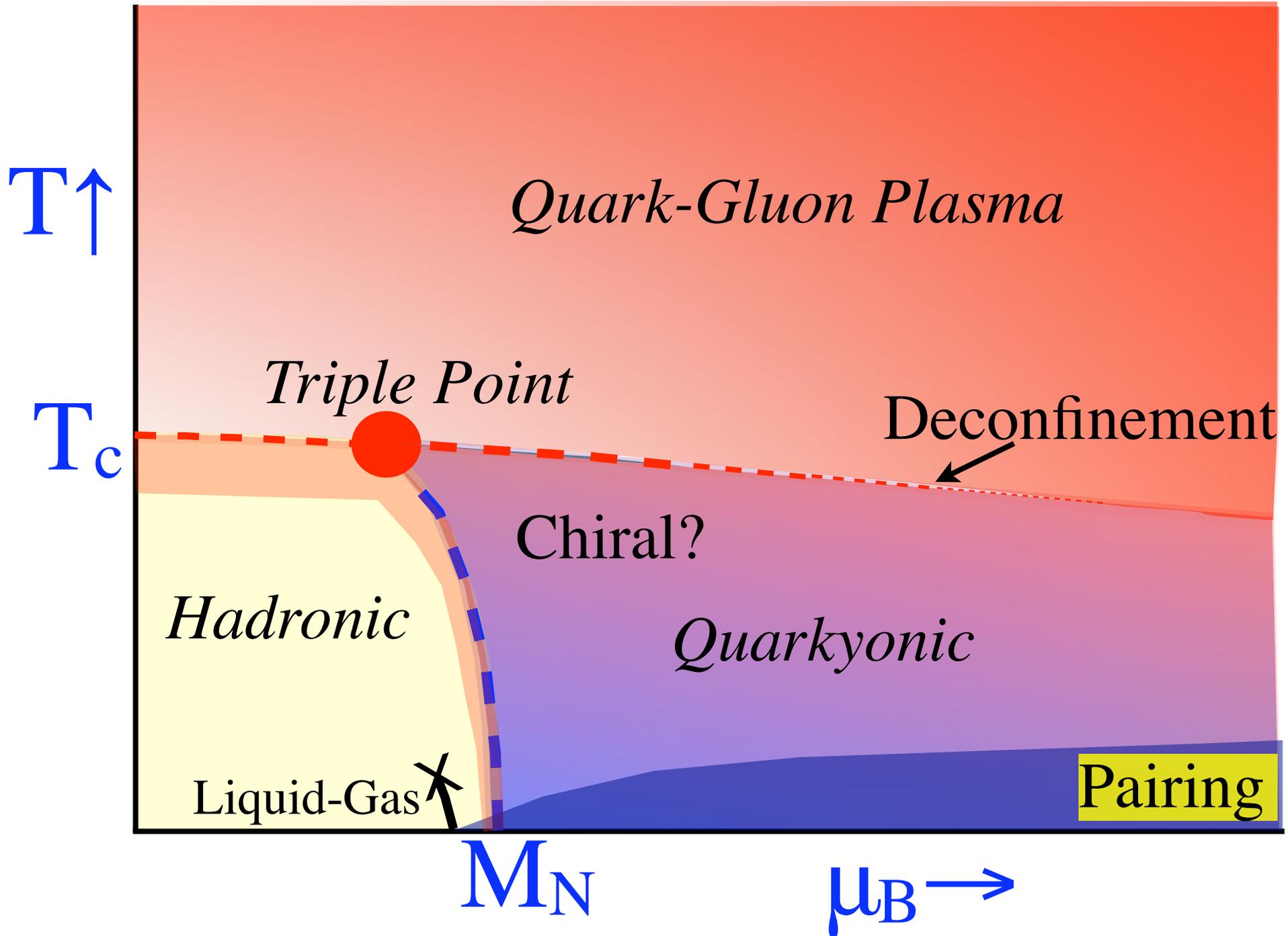
Small  $N_f$



Large  $N_f$



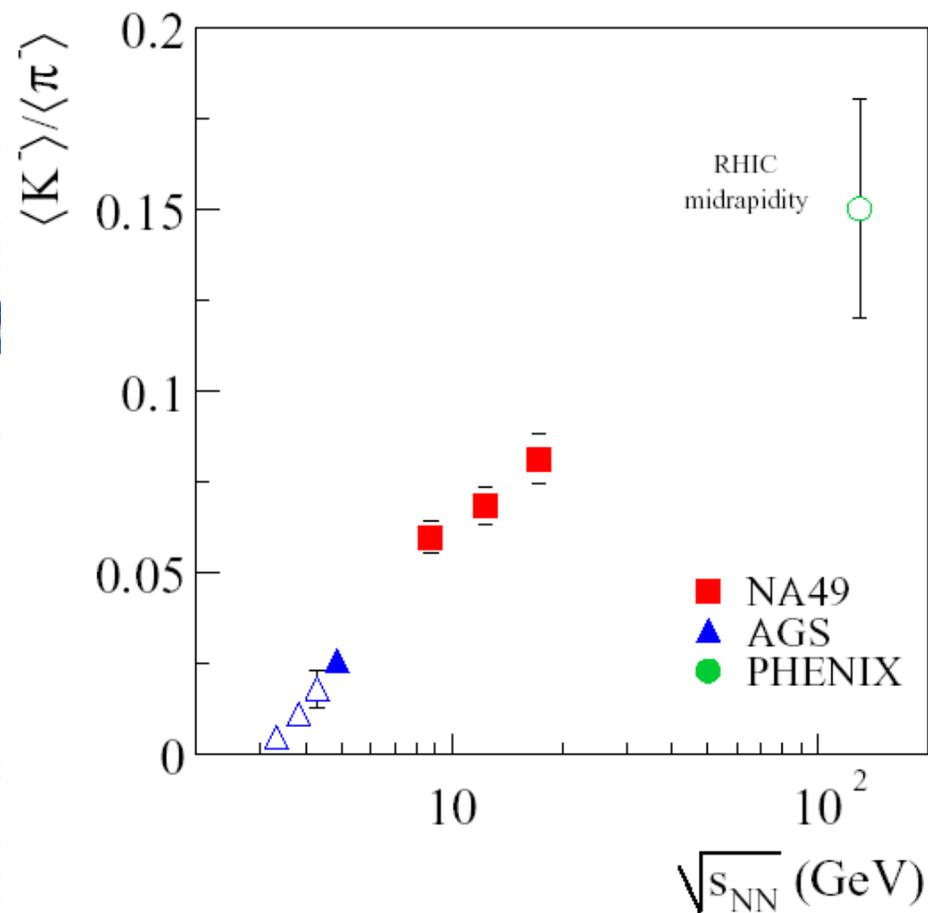
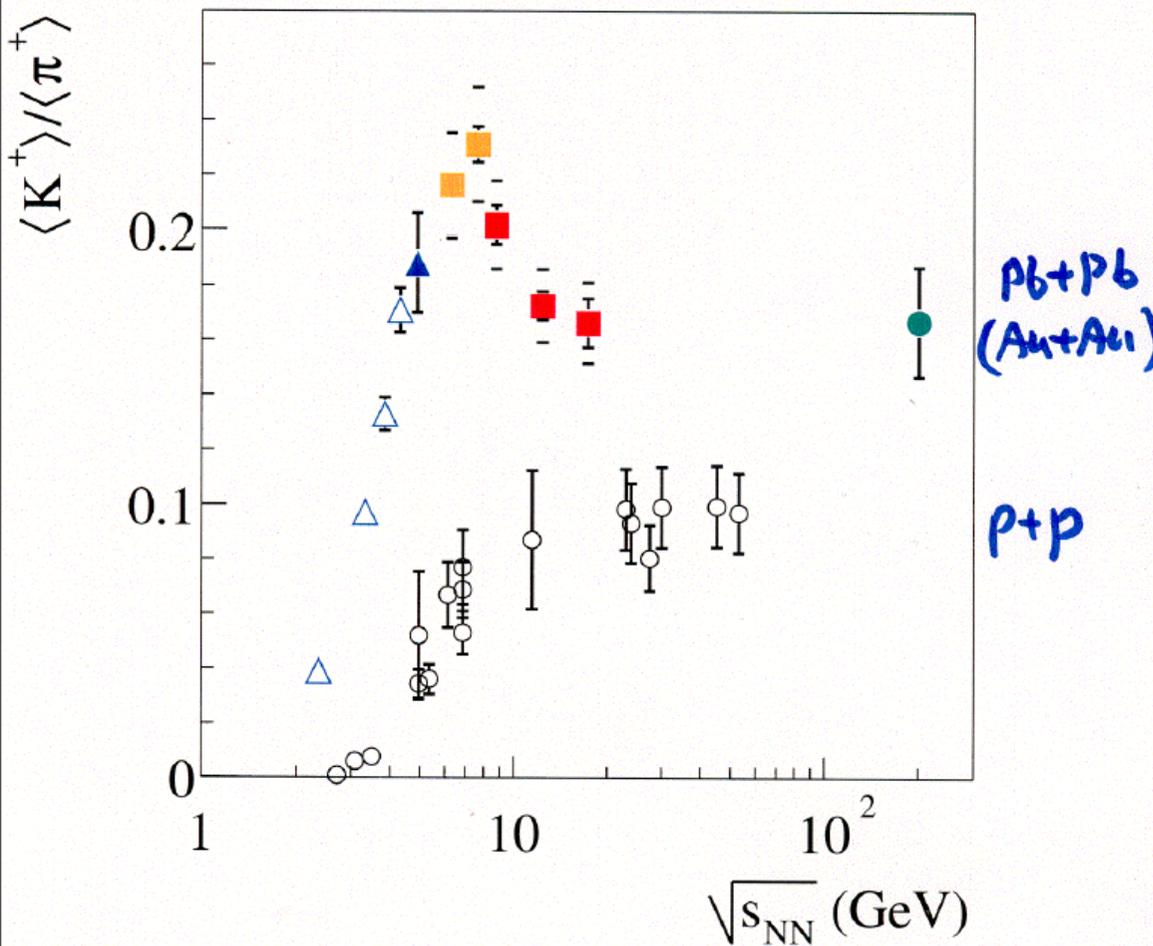
# Possible phase diagram for QCD



*So what does this have to do with experiment?*

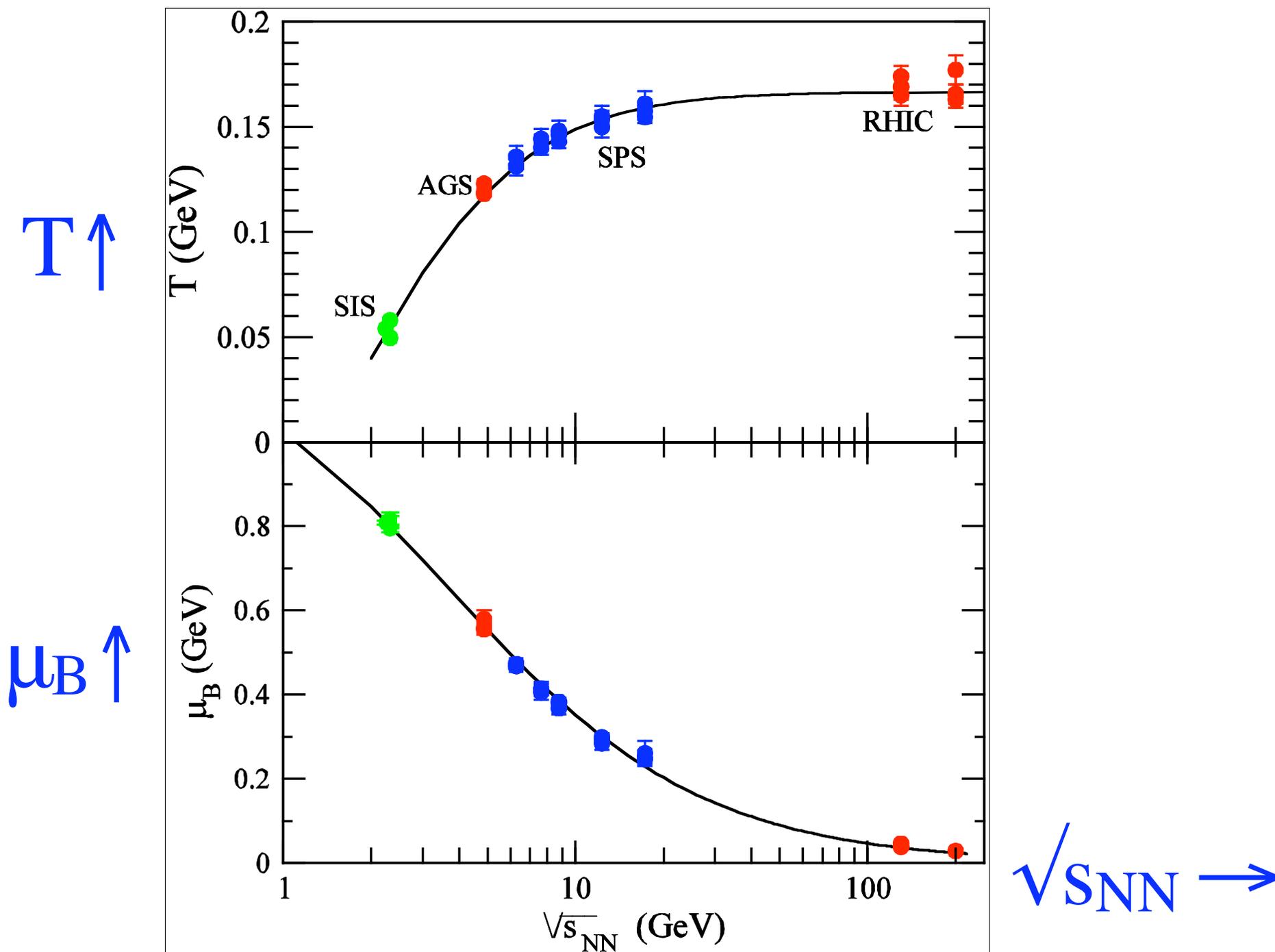
# RDP, Review of Quark Matter 2004:

Is this related to the *narrow peak* in  $K^+/\pi^+$  @ SPS?  
The “MatterHorn” of NA49 (Gazdzicki)

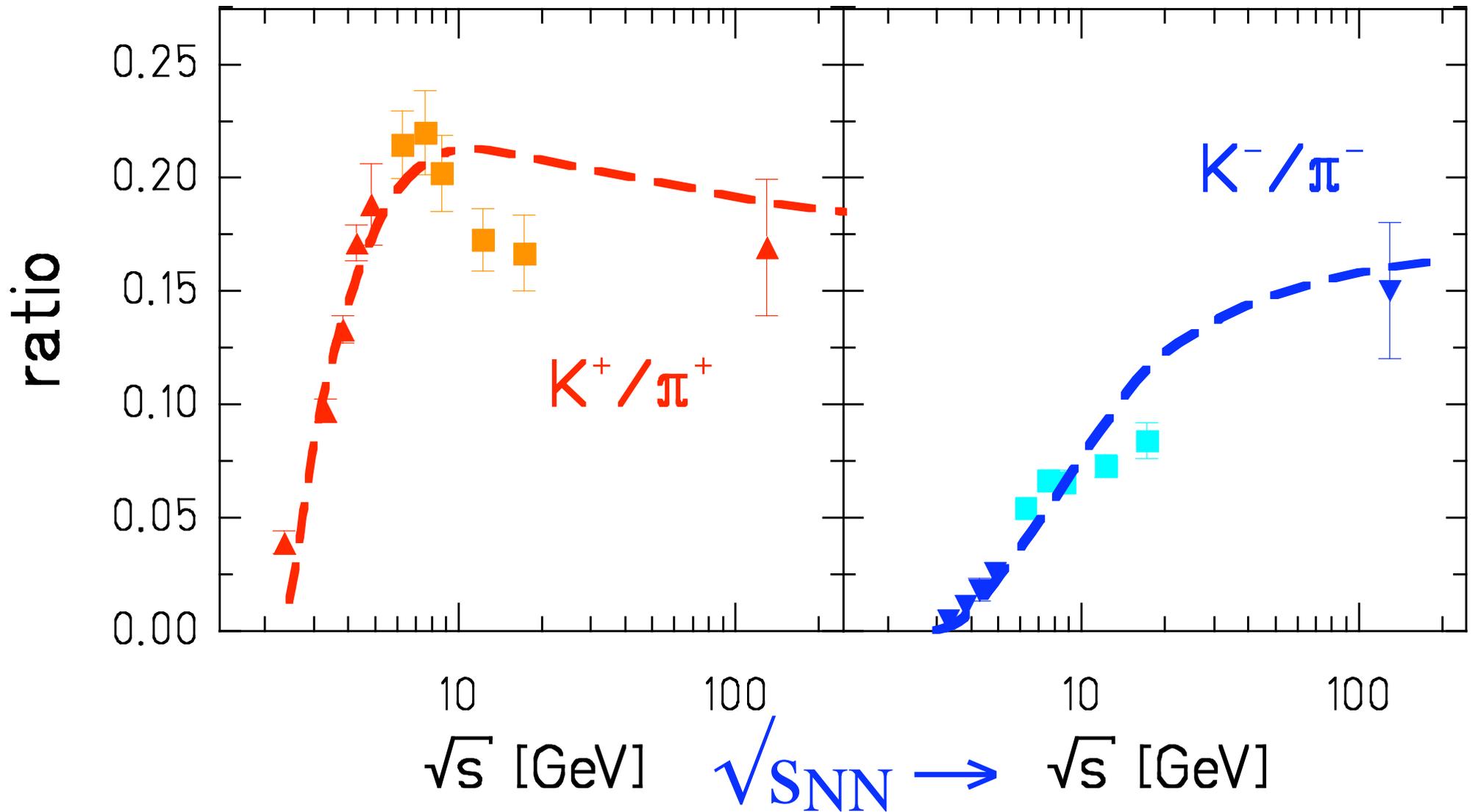


Peak not confirmed by other groups, not seen in other ratios...

# Smooth evolution in $T$ , $\mu_{\text{Baryon}}$ with $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}}$

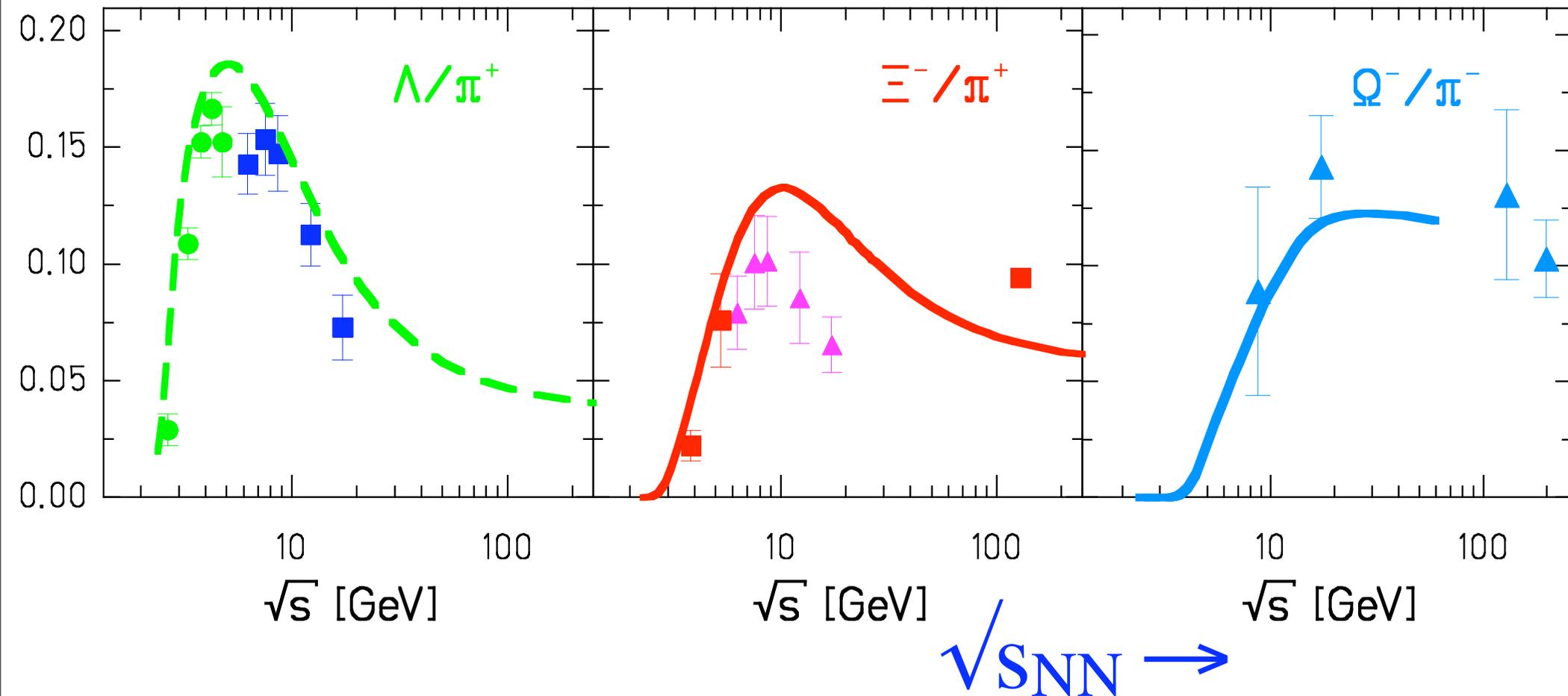


But strange MatterHorn: peak in  $K^+/\pi^+$ , *not*  $K^-/\pi^-$

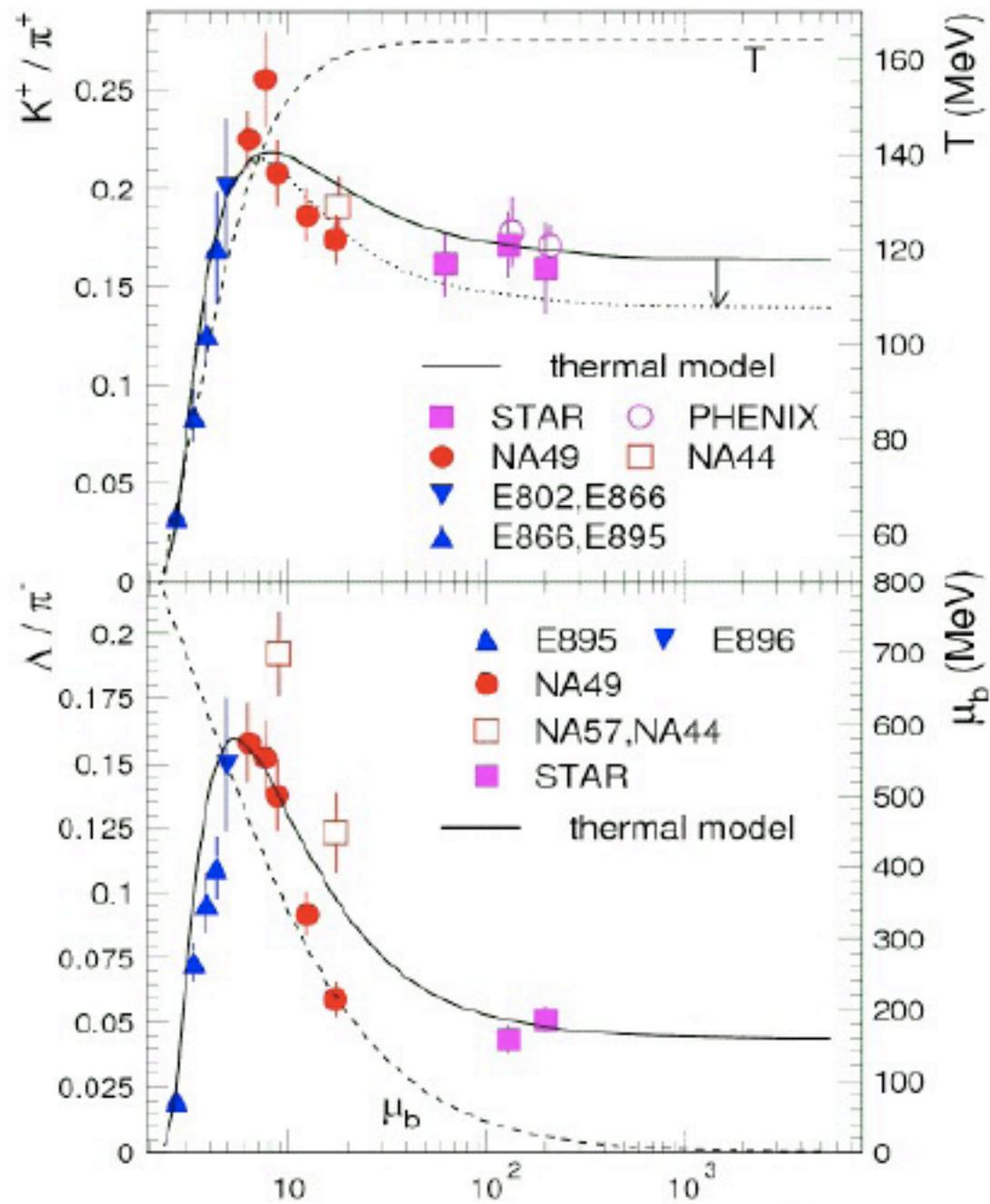


# Strange MatterHorn: also in baryons

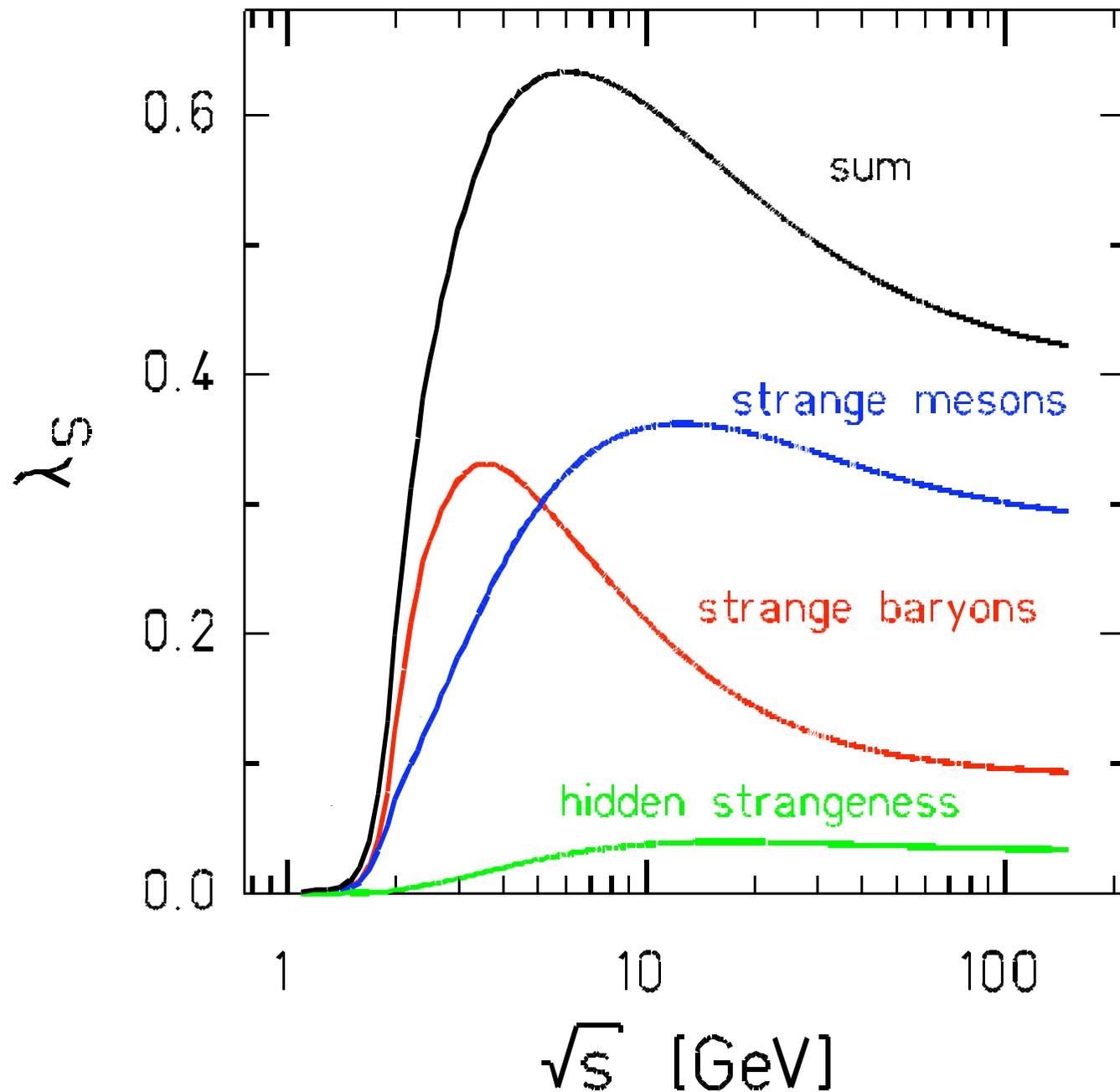
*Natural* to have peaks in  $K^+/\pi^+$ , strange baryons: start with (s s-bar) pairs.  
At  $\mu \neq 0$ , strange quarks combine into baryons, anti-strange into pions.  
For different baryons, peaks do not occur at same energy, but nearby, so not true phase transition, but approximate.



# Strange MatterHorn: confirmed up to RHIC



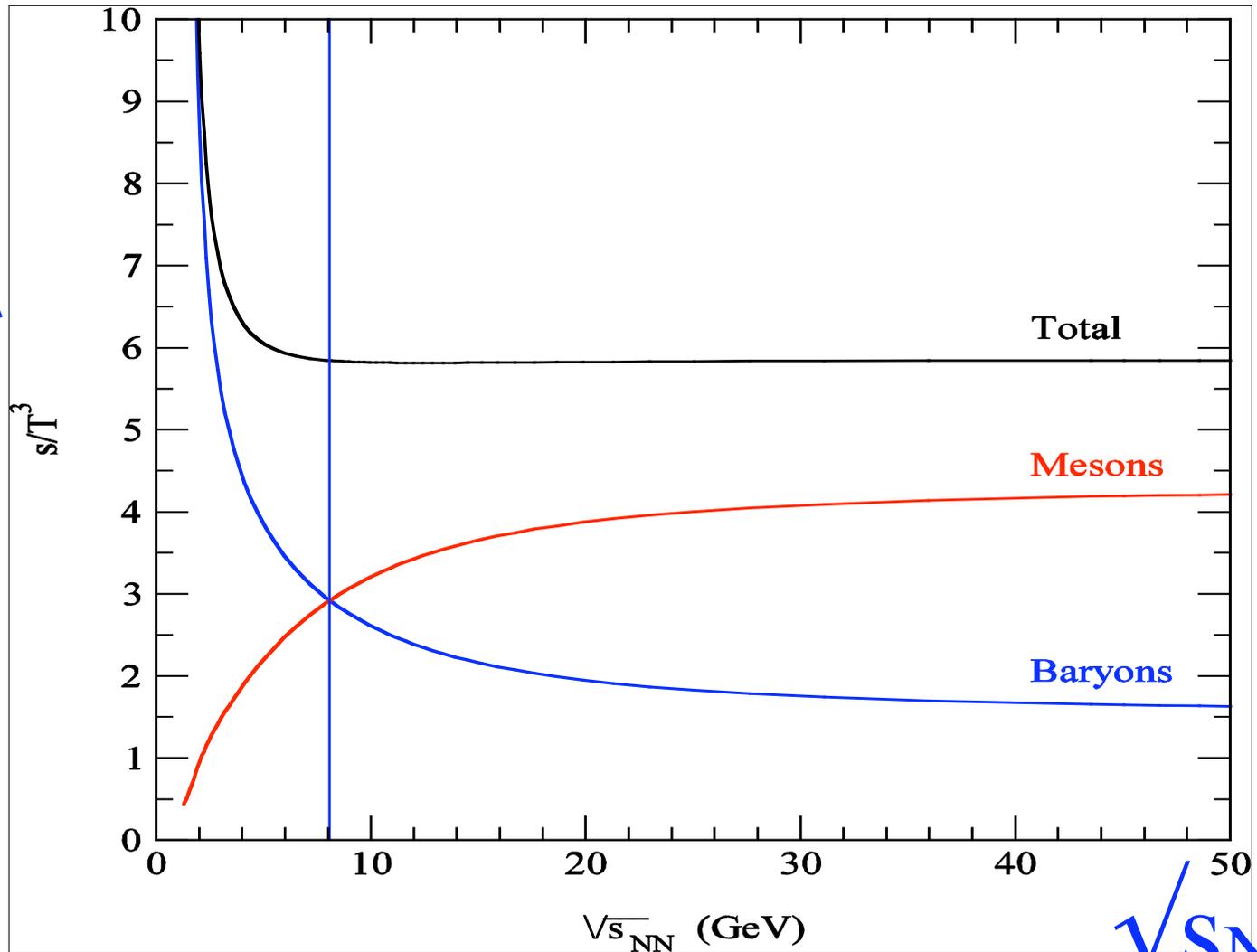
# Strange MatterHorn: different for mesons and baryons



# Strange MatterHorn and the triple point?

Usual explanation of MatterHorn: transition from baryons to mesons at freezeout  
Yes. But also natural if one goes from Quarkyonic line to Quark-Gluon Plasma line.

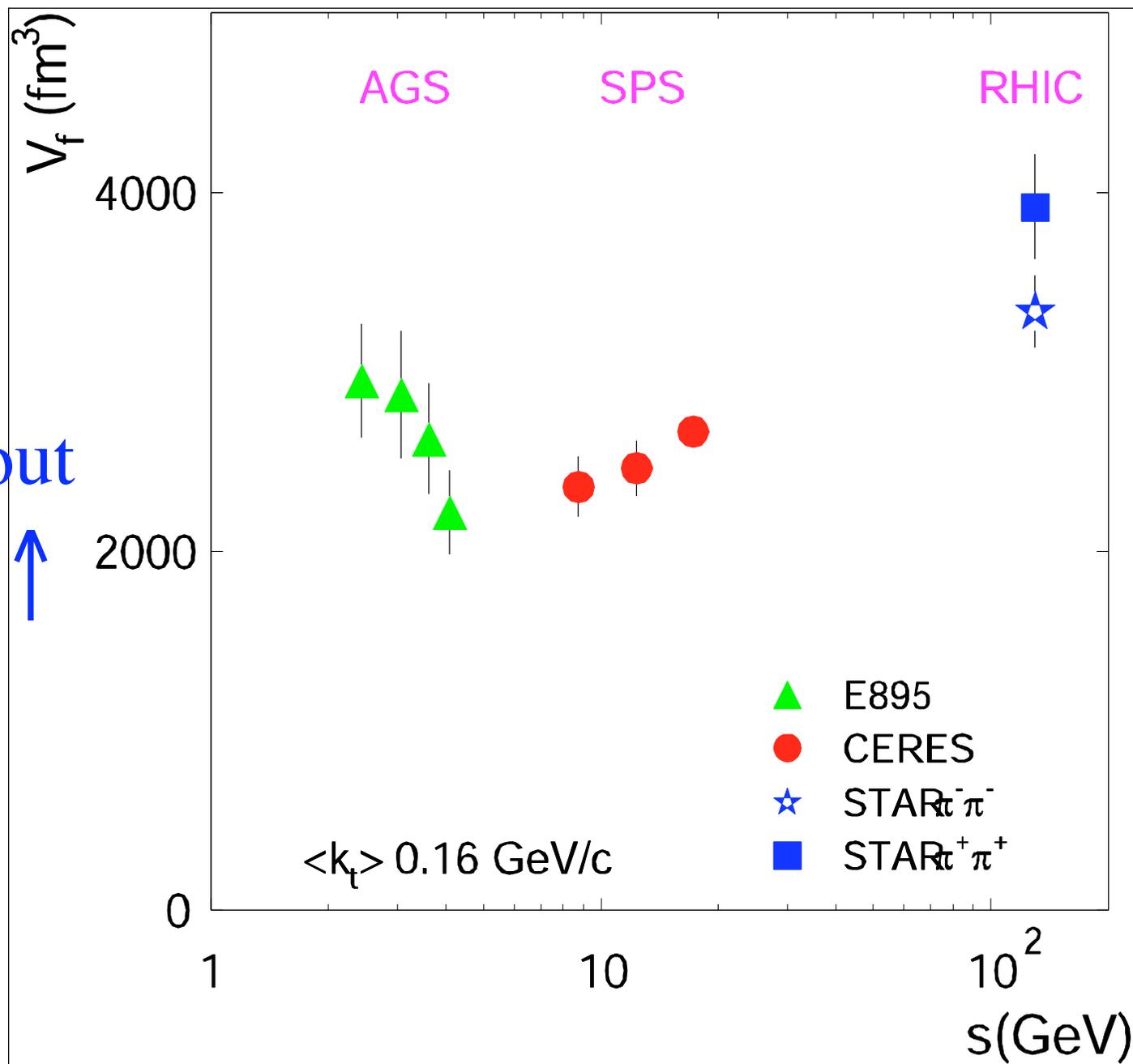
entropy  
density/ $T^3$  ↑



$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$  →

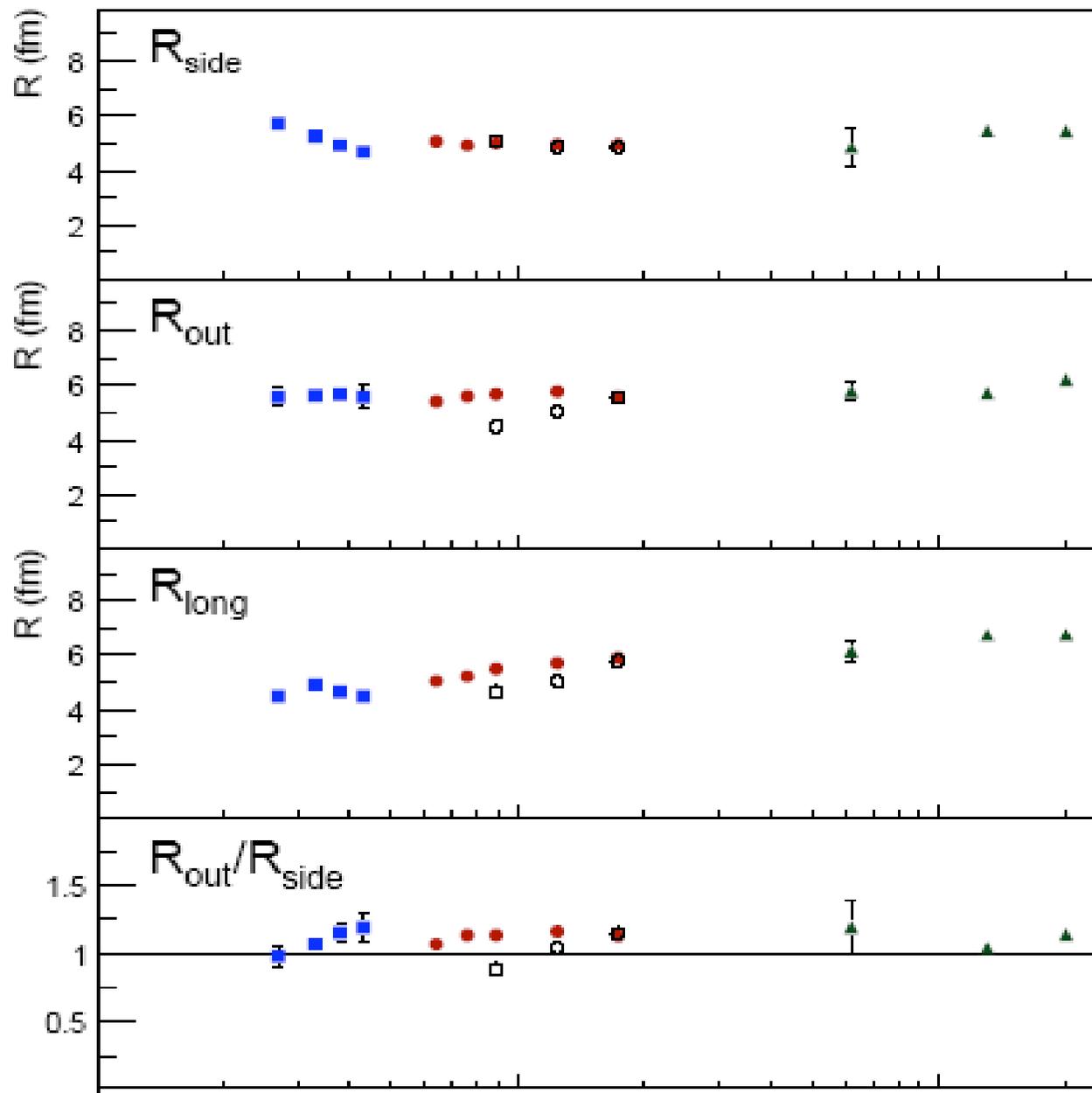
# HBT radii: minimum near strange MatterHorn?

freeze out  
volume ↑



$\sqrt{s_{NN}} \rightarrow$

# HBT radii: flat from NA49.



$\sqrt{S_{NN}} \rightarrow$

# Triple point versus Critical End Point

Critical endpoint: correlation lengths diverge.

Hence: HBT radii should *increase*.

Effects should be greatest on the lightest particles, *not* the heaviest:

$K^+/\pi^+$  should *decrease*, not *increase*. *Neither* seen in the data.

Assume that at triple point, chiral transition splits from deconfining.

Leading operator which couples the two transitions is

Mocsy, Sannino, & Tuominen, hep-ph/0301229, 0306069, 0308135, 0403160:

$$c_1 \ell \text{tr} \Phi^\dagger \Phi \sim c_1 \ell (\pi^2 + K^2 \dots)$$

If this coupling  $c_1$  flips sign, transitions diverge. Hence  $c_1 = 0$  at triple point?

If so, leading coupling then becomes

$$c_2 \ell \text{tr} M \Phi \sim c_2 \ell (m_\pi^2 \pi^2 + m_K^2 K^2 + \dots)$$

This coupling is proportional to mass squared: *bigger* for kaons than pions!

Enhancement of  $K^+/\pi^+$ , strange baryons due to dense environment.

What about chiral symmetry?

How can you *restore* chiral symmetry in a *confined* phase?

Best example? Skyrmions!

# Skyrmion crystals

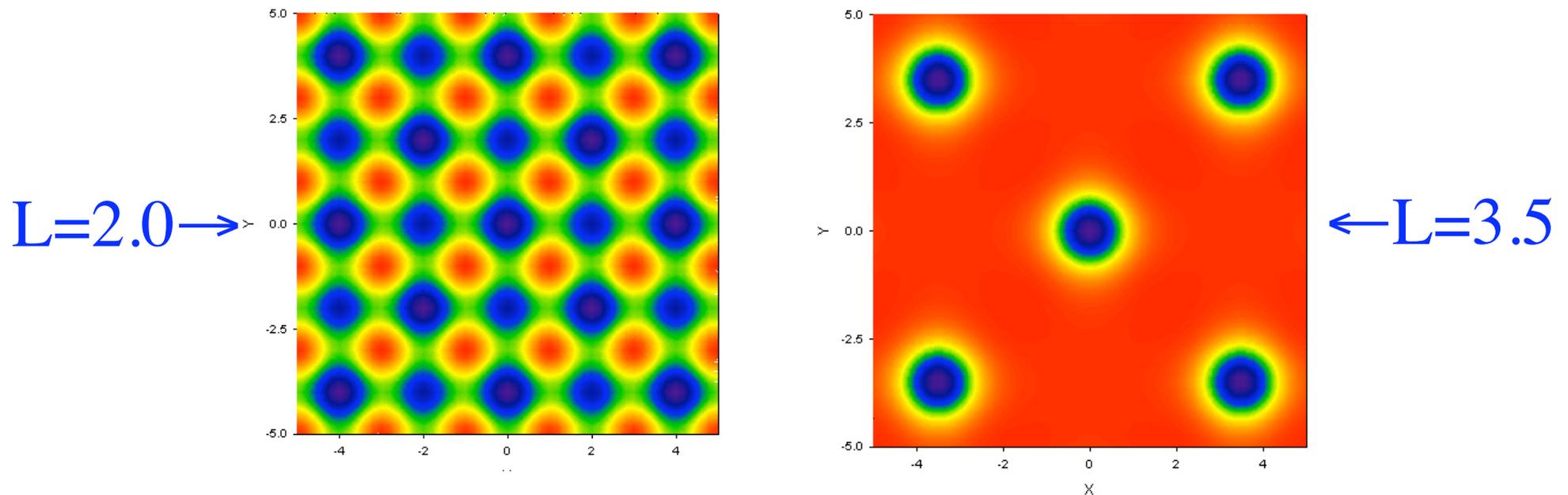
Kutschera, Pethick & Ravenhall (KPR) '84; Klebanov '85 + ...

Lee, Park, Min, Rho & Vento, hep-ph/0302019; Park, Lee, & Vento, 0811.3731:

At large  $N_c$ , baryons are heavy, so form a crystal.

Form Skyrmion crystal by taking periodic boundary conditions in a box.

LPMRV '03 : box of size  $L$ , in units of  $1/(\sqrt{\kappa} f_\pi)$ , plot baryon number density:



At low density, chiral symmetry broken by Skyrme crystal, as in vacuum.

But chiral symmetry *restored* at nonzero  $L$  (density):  $\langle U \rangle = 0$  in *each* cell.

# Skyrmion crystals as Quarkyonic matter

Why chiral symmetry restoration in a Skyrmion crystal?

Goldhaber & Manton '87: due to “half” Skyrmion symmetry in each cell.

Easiest to understand with “spherical” crystal: sphere instead of cube...

KPR '84, Ruback & Manton '86, Manton '87. Consider the “trivial” map:

$$U(r) = \exp(i f(r) \hat{r} \cdot \tau) ; f(r) = \pi \left(1 - \frac{r}{R}\right)$$

Solution has unit baryon number per unit sphere, and so is a crystal.

Solution is minimal when  $R < \sqrt{2}$  (\*  $1/(\sqrt{\kappa} f_\pi)$ ).

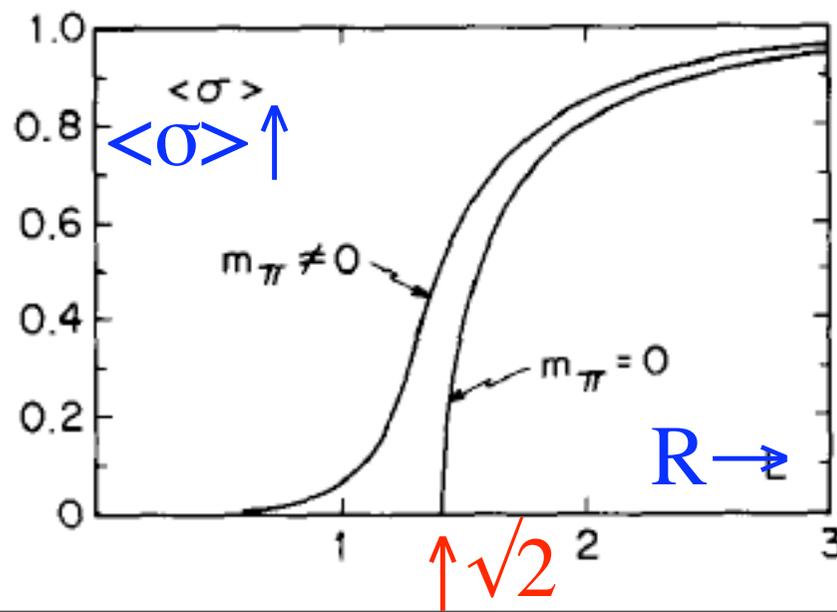
Forkel, Jackson, Rho, & Weiss '89 =>

looks like standard chiral transition!

Excitations *are* chirally symmetric.

But Skyrmions are *not* deconfined.

Example of Quarkyonic matter,  
chirally broken and chirally symmetric.



Examples of *quadruple* point in P-NJL models:

deconfining and chiral transitions split

# Quarkyonic matter in the Polyakov NJL model

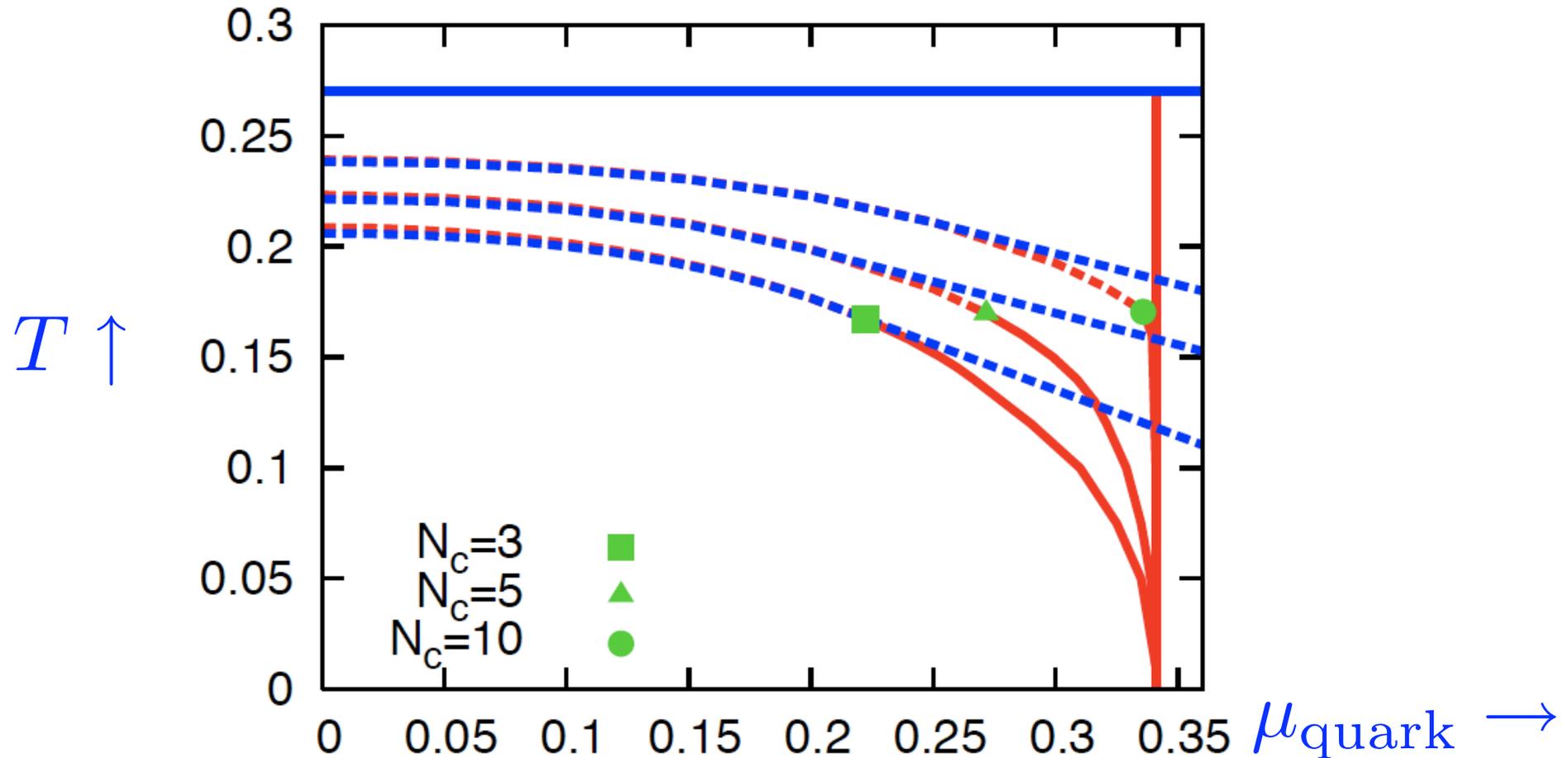
McLerran, Redlich, & Sasaki 0812.3585 Use Polyakov NJL model:

K. Fukushima hep-ph/0303225, hep-ph/0310121, 0803.3318, 0809.3080, 0901.4821

Ratti, Thaler, & Weise ph/0506234, nucl-th/0604025, ph/0609281, 0712.3152, 0810.1099

Sasaki, Friman, & Redlich, hep-ph/0611143, hep-ph/0611147, 0806.4745, 0811.4708

“Straightening” of the line for deconfinement as  $N_c$  increases:

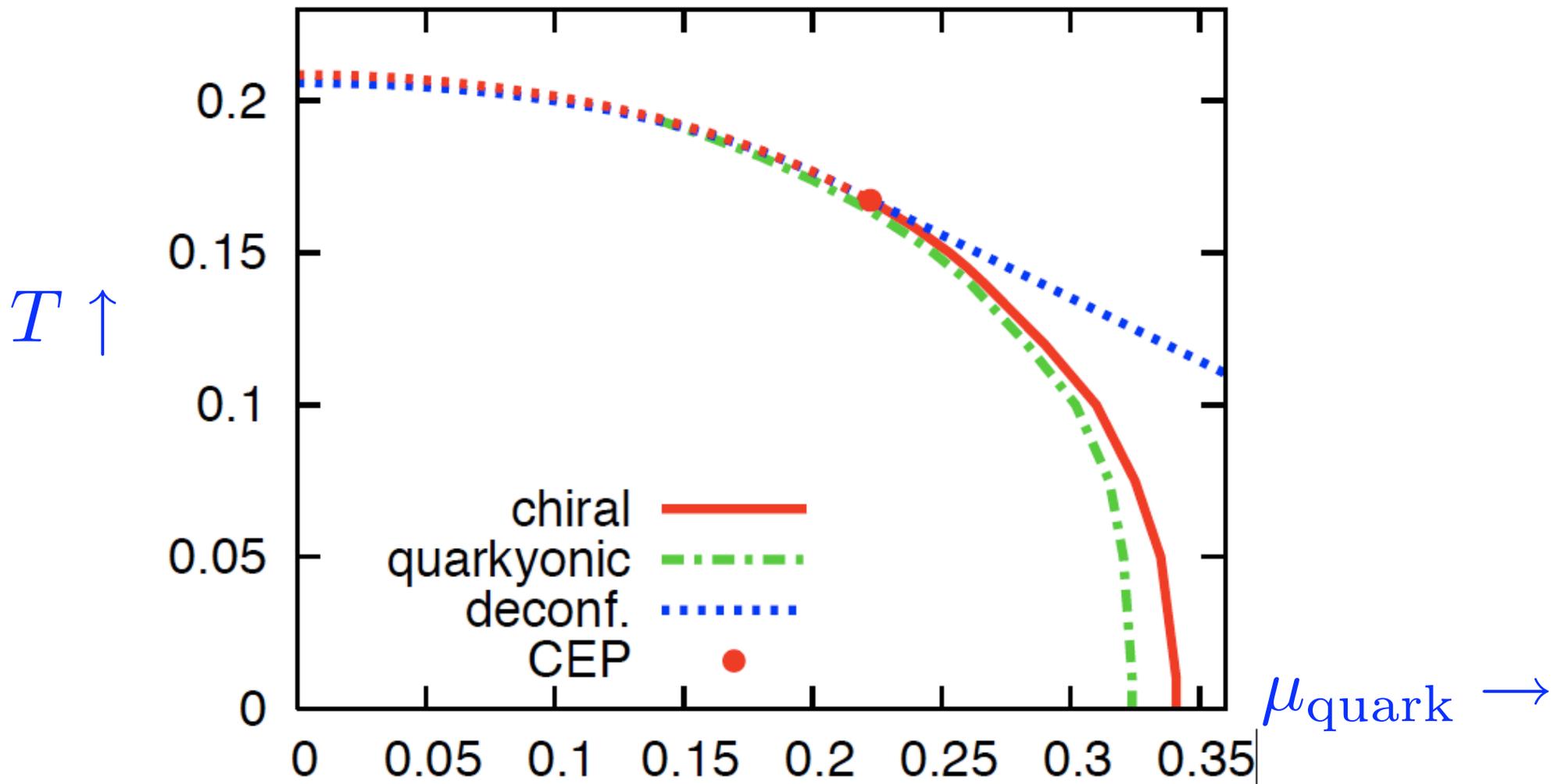


# Chiral transition and Quarkyonic matter in the P-NJL model

QCD: chiral Critical End Point (CEP), Shuryak, Stephanov, & Rajagopal '99 '00.

Chiral, quarkyonic, & deconfining transitions split at chiral CEP.

Deconfining CEP at larger densities?



*(Lunatic)* ideas about nuclear matter:

“The unbearable lightness of being (nuclear matter)”

# Nucleon-nucleon potentials from the lattice

Ishii, Aoki & Hatsuda, PACS-CS, 0903.5497

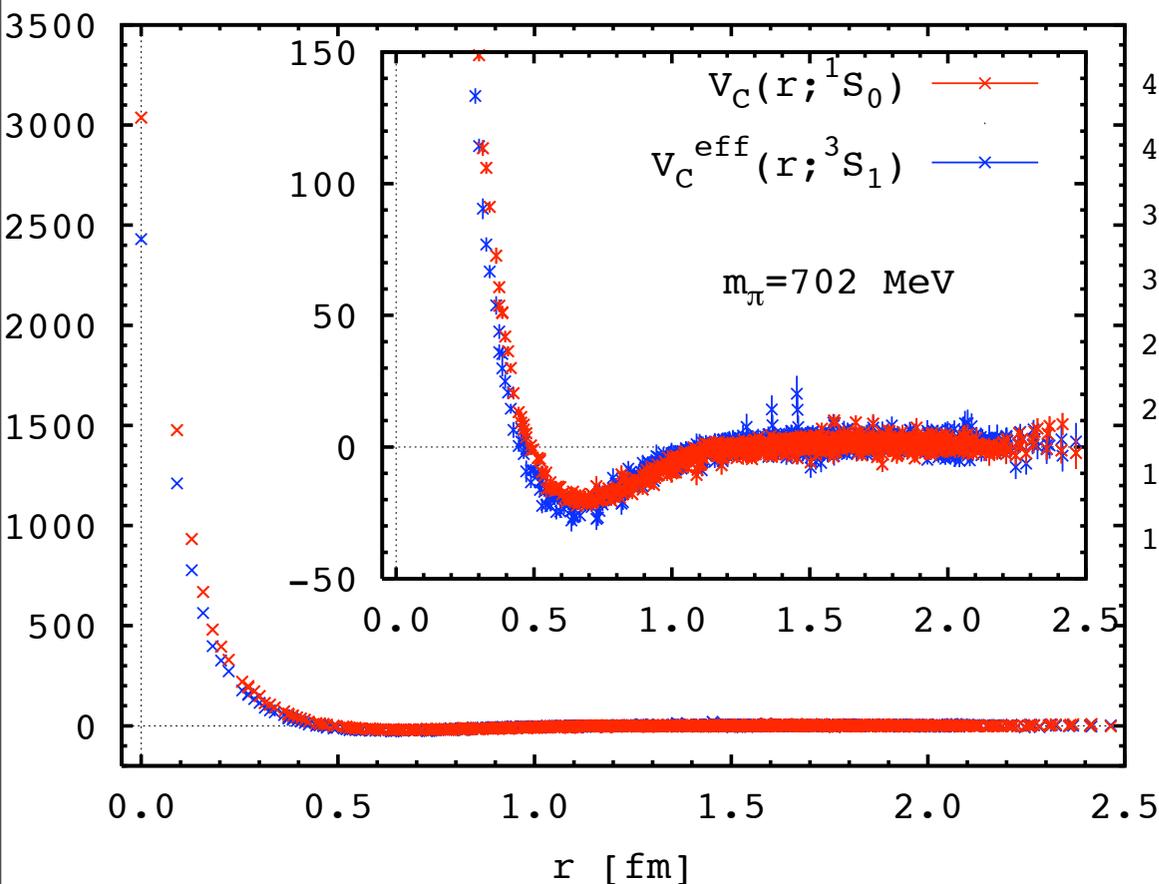
Nucleon-nucleon potentials from quenched and 2+1 flavors.

Pions heavy: 700 MeV (left) and 300 MeV (right)

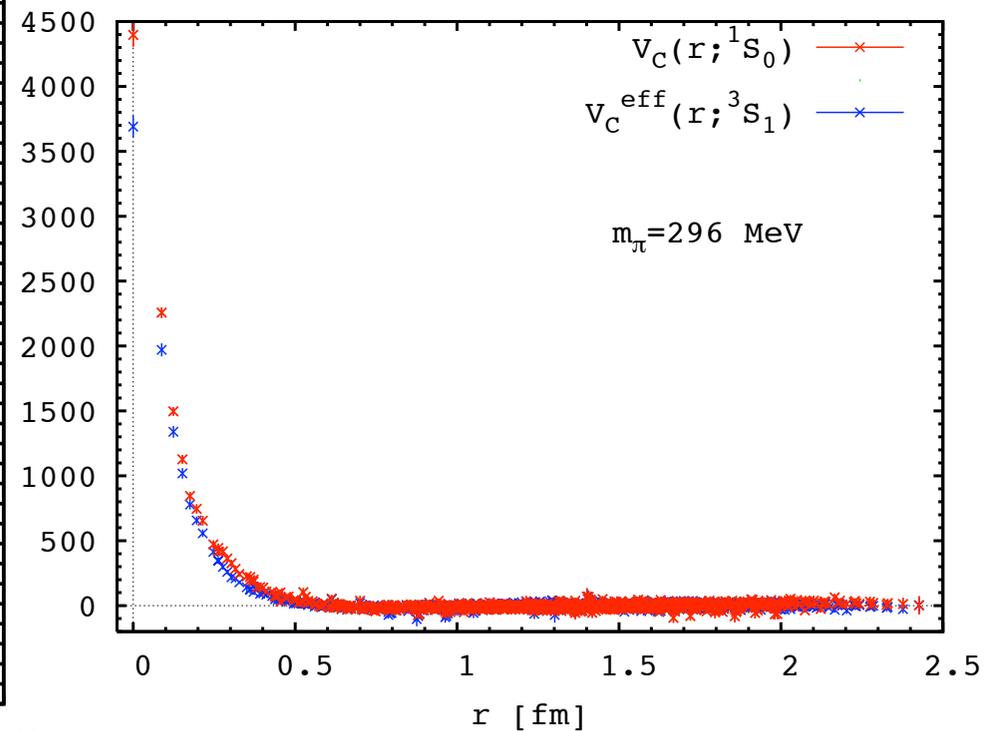
Standard lore: delicate cancellation. *So why independent of pion mass?*

Essentially zero potential plus strong hard core repulsion

$m_\pi = 702 \text{ MeV}$



$m_\pi = 296 \text{ MeV}$



# Purely pionic nuclear matter

J.-P. Blaizot, L. McLerran, M. Nowak, & RDP '09....

At infinite  $N_c$ , integrate out *all* degrees of freedom *except* pions:

Lagrangian power series in  $U = e^{i\pi/f_\pi}$ ,  $V_\mu = U^\dagger \partial_\mu U$

*Infinite # couplings*: Skyrme *plus* complete Gasser-Leutwyler expansion,

$$\mathcal{L}_\pi = f_\pi^2 V_\mu^2 + \kappa [V_\mu, V_\nu]^2 + c_1 (V_\mu^2)^2 + c_2 (V_\mu^2)^3 + \dots$$

All couplings  $\sim N_c$ , every mass scale  $\sim$  typical hadronic.

Need *infinite* series, but nothing (special) depends upon exact values

Valid for momenta  $< f_\pi$ , masses of sigma, omega, rho...

Useful in (entire?) phase with chiral symmetry breaking?

Higher time derivatives, but no acausality at low momenta.

# Purely pions give free baryons

From purely pionic Lagrangian, take baryon as stationary point.

Find baryon mass  $\sim N_c$ , some function of couplings.

Couplings of baryon dictated by chiral symmetry:

$$\bar{\psi} \left( i\not{\partial} + M_B e^{i\tau \cdot \pi \gamma_5 / f_\pi} \right) \psi$$

By chiral rotation,  $W = \exp(-i\pi\gamma_5/2f_\pi)$

$$\mathcal{L}_B = \bar{\psi} (iW^\dagger \not{\partial} W + M_B) \psi \sim \frac{1}{f_\pi} \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 \not{\partial} \pi \psi + \dots$$

At large  $\sim N_c$ ,  $f_\pi \sim N_c^{1/2}$  is *big*. Thus for momenta  $k <$  hadronic, interactions are *small*,  $\sim 1/f_\pi^2 \sim 1/N_c$ .

Thus: baryons from chiral Lag. free at large  $N_c$ , down to distances  $1/f_\pi$ .

Manifestly special to chiral baryons. True for u, d, s, but *not* charm?

# The Unbearable Lightness of Being (Nuclear Matter)

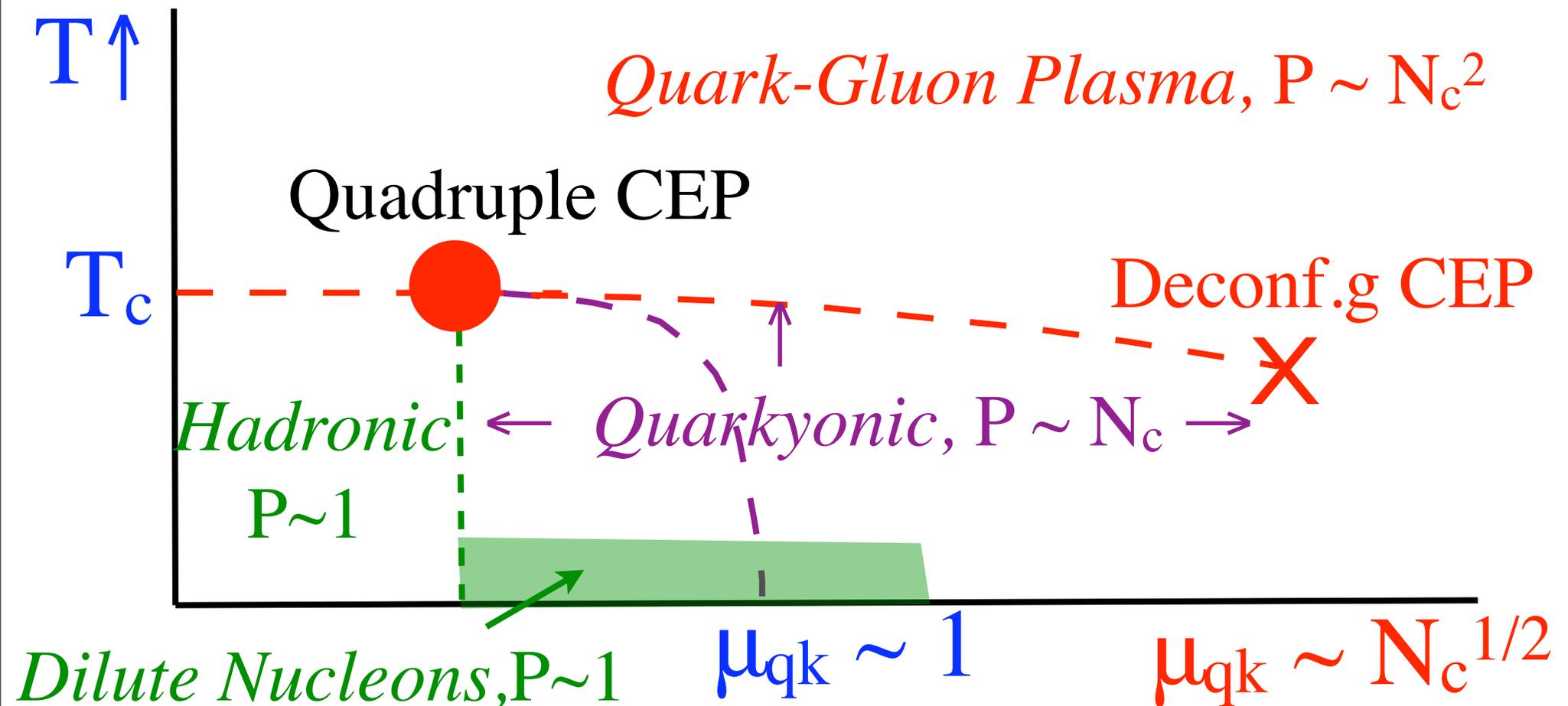
Nuclear matter: crystal of baryons.

Use purely pionic Lagrangian for all of nuclear matter?

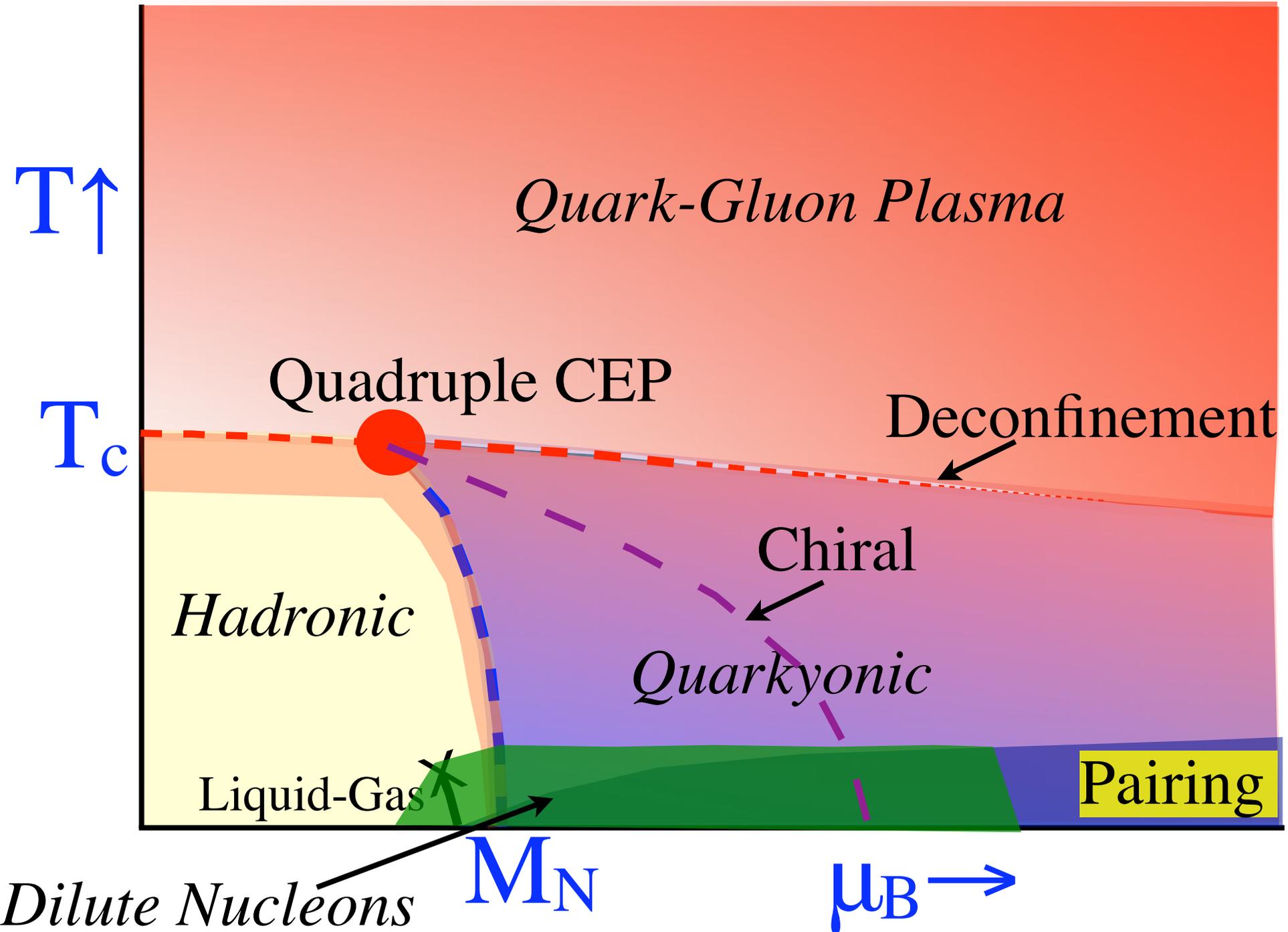
Then pressure  $\sim 1$ , and *not*  $N_c$ . Like hadronic phase, *not* quarkyonic.

Unlike standard lore, where pressure(nucl mat) grows quickly,  $\sim N_c$

Red line: 1st order. Green line: Baryons condense. Purple: chiral trans.



# An unbearably light phase diagram for QCD

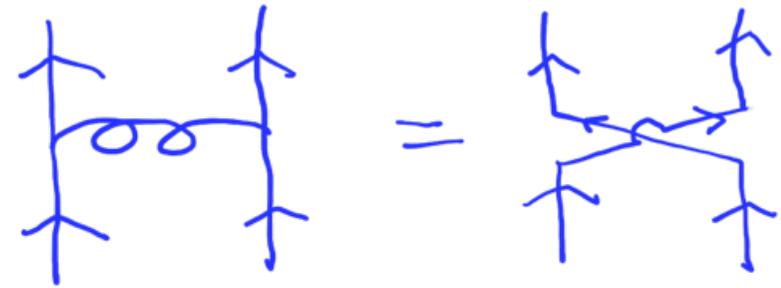


Large  $N_c$ : not color superconductivity,  
but chiral density waves (pion condensation)

# Chiral Density Waves (perturbative)

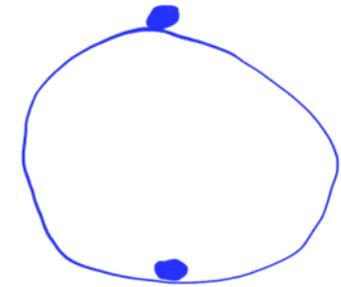
Excitations near the Fermi surface?

At large  $N_c$ , color superconductivity suppressed,  
 $\sim 1/N_c$ : pairing into two-index state:



Also possible to have “chiral density waves”, pairing of quark and anti-quark:  
Deryagin, Grigoriev, & Rubakov '92. Shuster & Son, hep-ph/9905448.  
Rapp, Shuryak, and Zahed, hep-ph/0008207.

Order parameter  $\langle \bar{\psi}(-\vec{p}_f) \psi(+\vec{p}_f) \rangle$   
Sum over color, so *not* suppressed by  $1/N_c$ .



Pair quark at  $+p_f$  with anti-quark at  $-p_f$ : for a *fixed* direction.  
Breaks chiral symmetry, with state varying  $\sim \exp(-2 p_f z)$ .

Wins over superconductivity in low dimensions. Loses in higher.

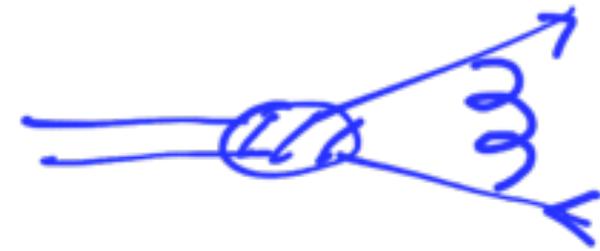
Shuster & Son '99: in perturbative regime, CDW only wins for  $N_c > 1000 N_f$

# Quarkyonic chiral density waves

Consider meson wave function, with kernel:

Confining potential in 3+1 dimensions like

Coulomb potential in 1+1 dim.s:



$$\int dk_0 dk_z \int d^2 k_{\perp} \frac{1}{(k_0^2 + k_z^2 + k_{\perp}^2)^2} \sim \int dk_0 dk_z \frac{1}{k_0^2 + k_z^2}$$

In 1+1 dim.'s, behavior of massless quarks near Fermi surface maps  $\sim \mu = 0!$

Mesons in vacuum naturally map into CDW mesons.

Witten '84: in 1+1 dim.'s, use non-Abelian bosonization for QCD.

a, b = 1...N<sub>c</sub>. i, j = 1... N<sub>f</sub>.

$$J_+^{ij} = \bar{\psi}^{a,i} \psi^{a,j} \sim g^{-1} \partial_+ g ; \quad J_+^{ab} = \bar{\psi}^{a,i} \psi^{b,i} \sim h^{-1} \partial_+ h .$$

Steinhardt '80. Affleck '86. Frishman & Sonnenschein, hep-th/920717...

Armoni, Frishman, Sonnenschein & Trittman, hep-th/9805155; AFS, hep-th/0011043..

Bringoltz 0901.4035; Galvez, Hietanan, & Narayanan, 0812.3449.

# Solution to dense QCD in 1+1 dimensions

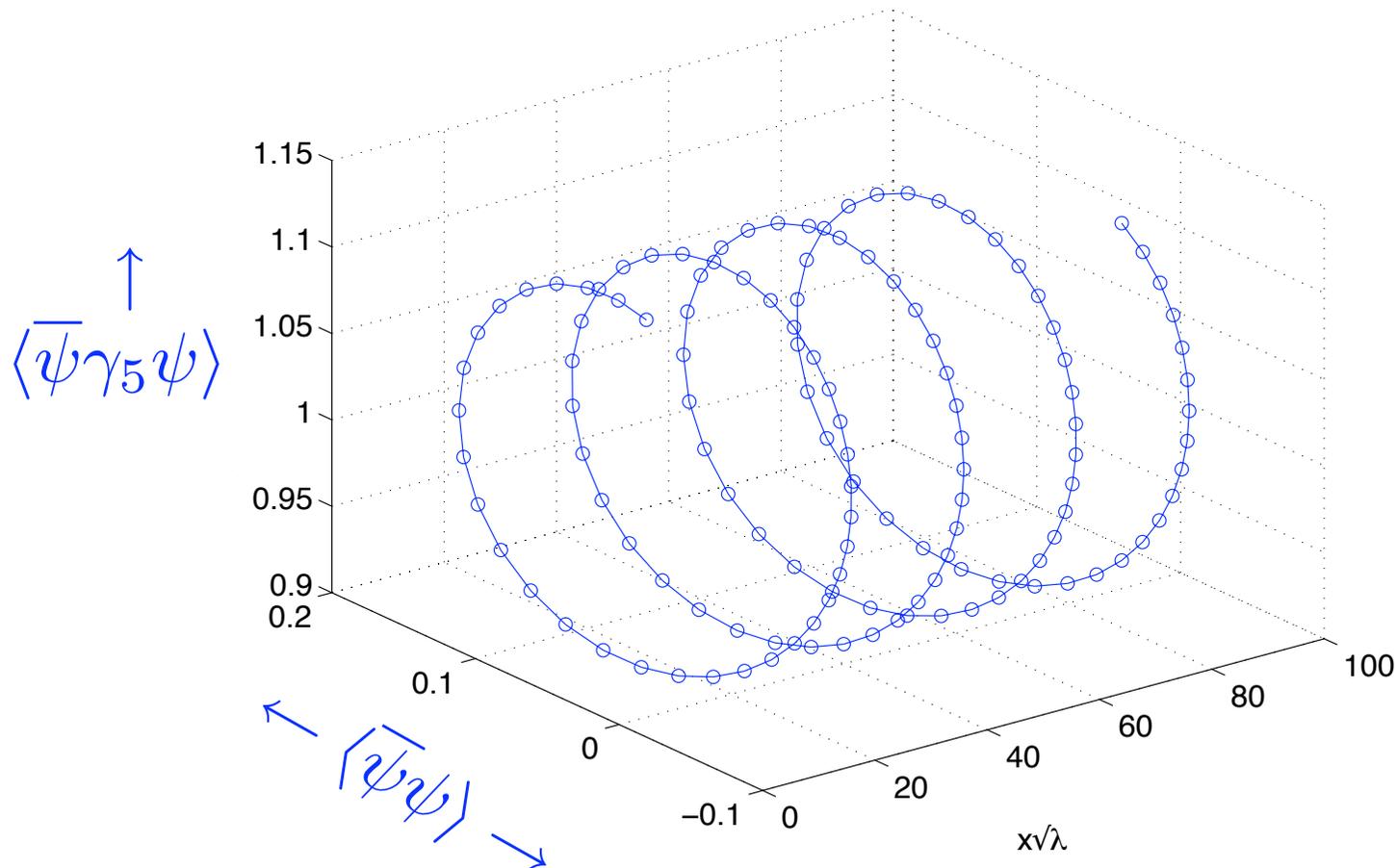
Bringoltz, 0901.4035: 't Hooft model, with massive quarks.

Works in Coulomb gauge, in *canonical* ensemble: fixed baryon number.

Solves numerically equations of motion under constraint of nonzero baryon #

Finds chiral density wave.

N.B.: for massive quarks, should have massless excitations, but with energy  $\sim 1/N_c$ .



Quarkyonic matter for *two* colors?

i.e., are large  $N_c$  arguments even ok for  $N_c = 2$ ?

# Quarkyonic matter for two colors?

*Hands*, Ilgenfritz, Kenny, Kim, Mueller-Preussker, Schubert, Sitch, & Skullerud, HIKKMPSSS 09....

$N_c = N_f = 2$ , Wilson fermions. *No* sign problem, measure real.

Mesons and baryons are both bosons. Baryon  $\mu_{qk}$  like isospin  $\mu_{qk}$  for 3 colors.

$\mu_{qk}$  only matters when  $> \mu_0 = m_\pi/2$  (not  $> m_{\text{Baryon}}$ ).

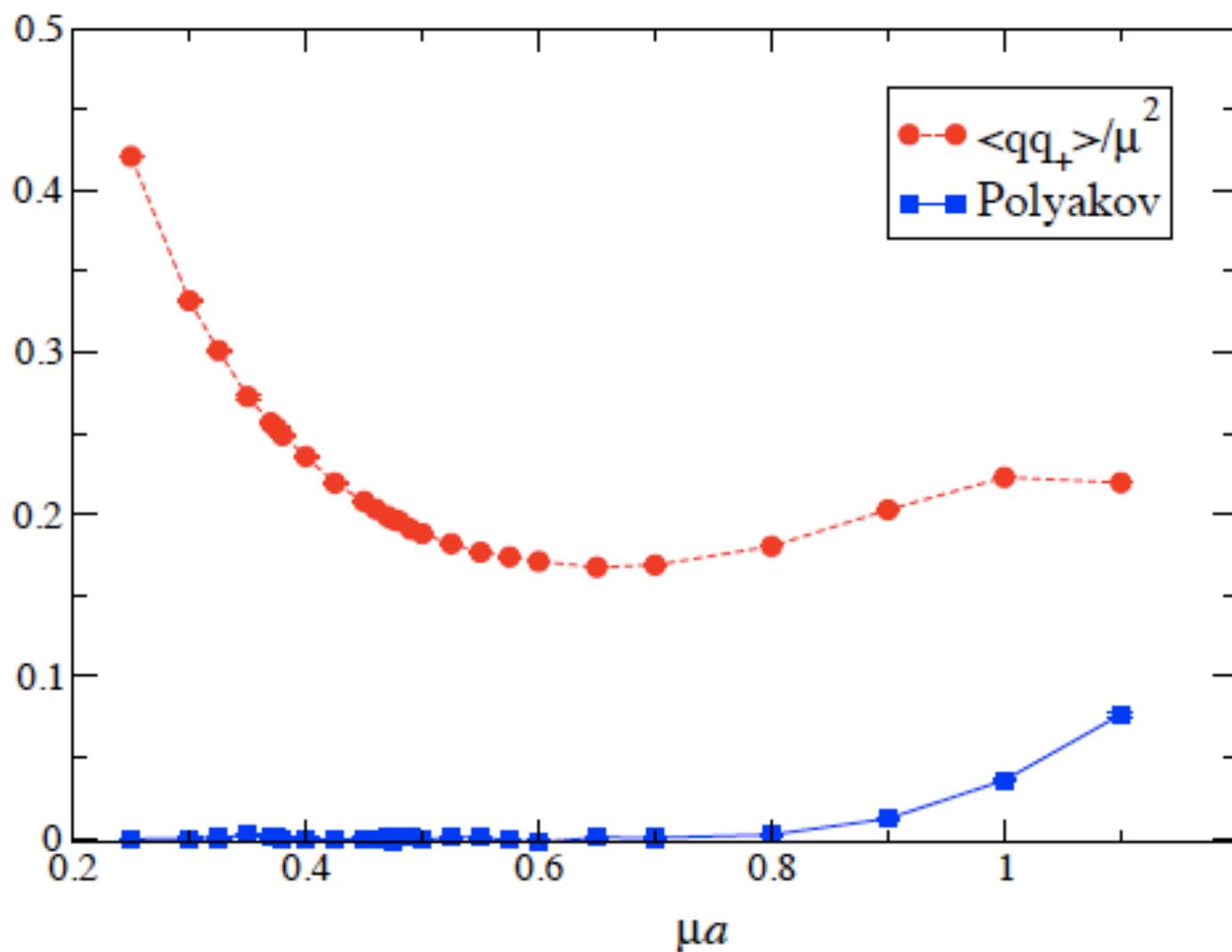
Expect Bose-Einstein condensate for  $\mu_{qk} > \mu_0$ , compare to Chiral Pert. Theory.

Find:  $\mu_0$   $a = 0.2$ : BEC turns on, good agreement with CPT only *very* near  $\mu_0$ .

$\mu_t$   $a = 0.4$ : *big jump in energy density - ?*

$\mu_d$   $a = 0.65$  : Polyakov loop nonzero, deconfined quarks,  
only at high density

Suggests: Quarkyonic matter for a large range, between  $\mu_0$  and  $\mu_d$ , for  $N_c = 2$ !



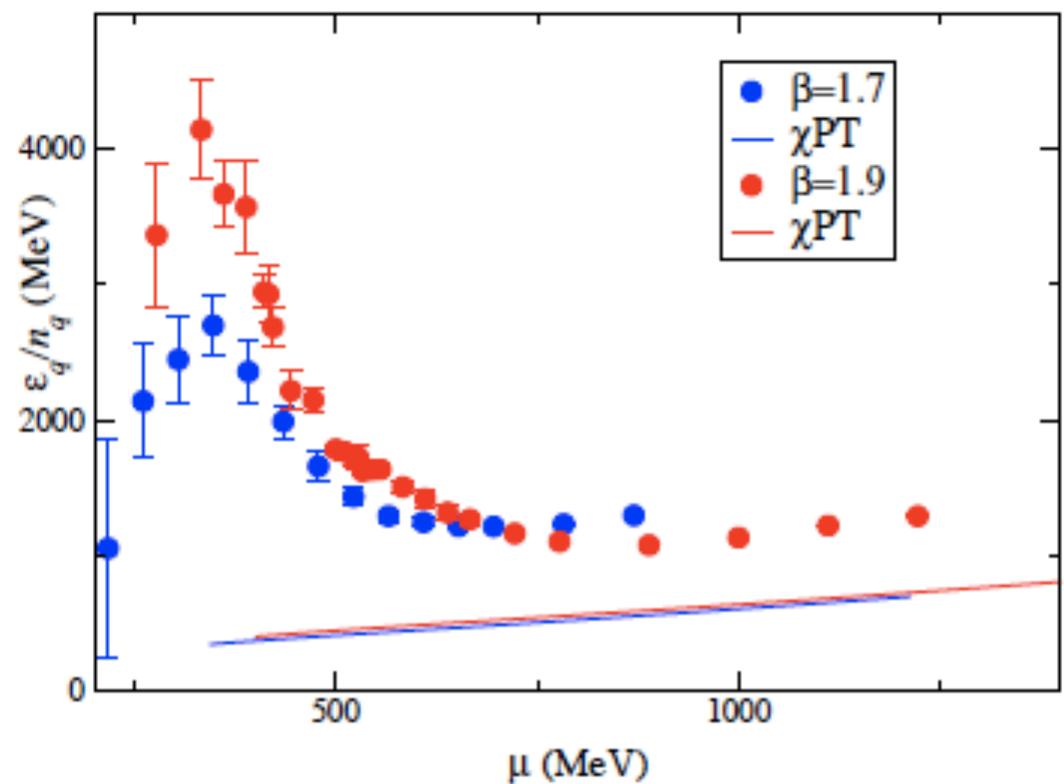
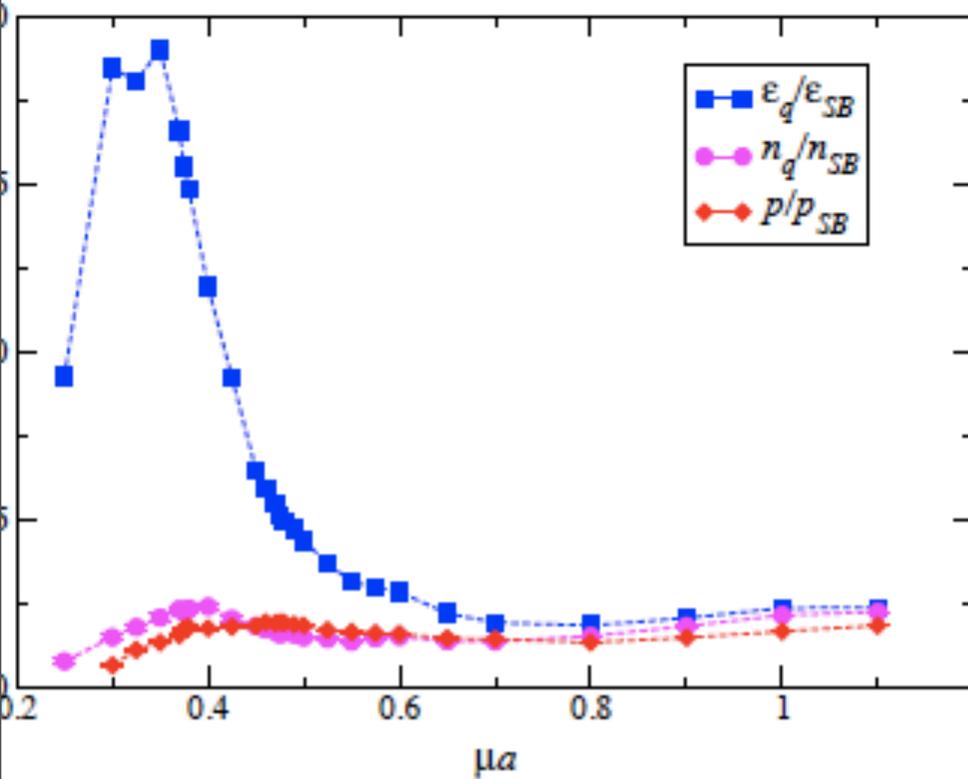
Superfluid condensate scaling  $\approx$  BCS for  $\mu_Q \lesssim \mu \lesssim \mu_d$

Polyakov loop  $\approx 0$  for  $\mu < \mu_d$ , but then rises from zero

$\Rightarrow$  Deconfinement at  $\mu \approx 900\text{MeV}$ ,  $n_q \approx 35\text{ fm}^{-3}$

# Quark Energy Density

HIKKMPSSS 09....



In contrast to  $\chi$ PT prediction, (unrenormalised) quark energy density  $\epsilon_q$  greatly exceeds SB value as  $\mu \searrow \mu_{0+}$

$\Rightarrow$

Energy per quark  $\epsilon_q/n_q$  has shallow minimum for  $\mu > \mu_Q$

Or maybe we're just full of it...

# Lattice: renormalized loop, with quarks

Cheng et al, 0710.0354: ~ QCD, 2+1 flavors.  $T_c \sim 190$  MeV, crossover.

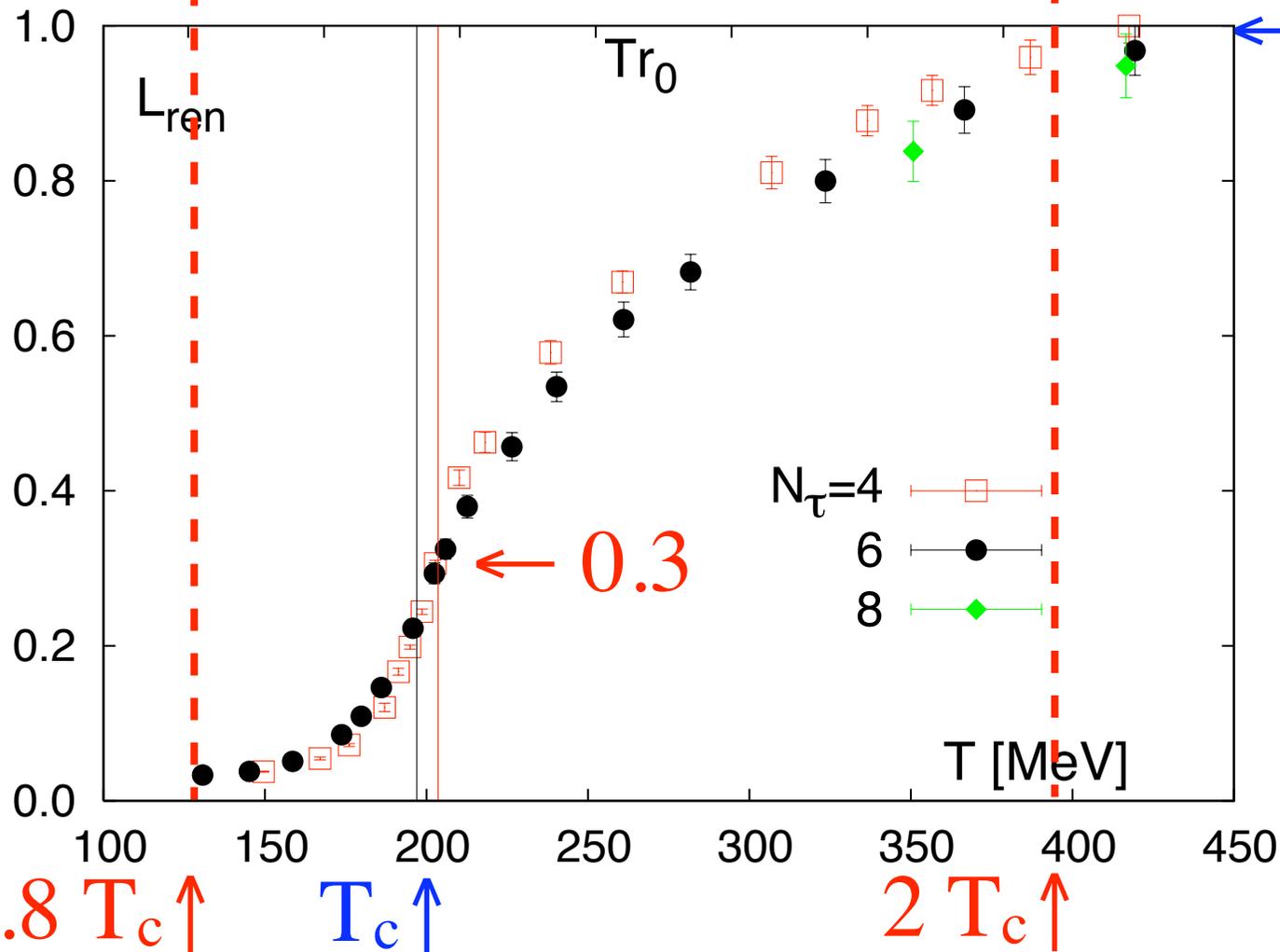
$\langle Polyakov\ loop \rangle$ : nonzero from  $\sim 0.8 T_c$ ;  $\sim 0.3$  at  $T_c$ ;  $\sim 1.0$  at  $2 T_c$ .

Deconfinement from  $\sim 0.8 T_c$ , below  $T_c$  (Semi-QGP starts from  $0.8 T_c$ )

← Confined → ← Semi-QGP → ← Complete QGP →

Ren.'d triplet loop ↑

← 1.0



# No quark Fermi-surface for even $N_c$ ?

Langfeld, Wellegehausen & Wipf, 0906.5554:

Baryons are bosons for even  $N_c$ , fermions for odd  $N_c$ . LWW say at nonzero T:

“...for even  $N_c$ , and in the confinement phase, the quark determinant is independent of the boundary conditions, periodic or anti-periodic ones”

But - there is *no* “confined” phase with *dynamical* quarks.

For any number of flavors, the Polyakov loop is *always* nonzero, even *below*  $T_c$ .

*With* dynamical quarks, the “semi”-QGP extends *below*  $T_c$ .

Above claim by LWW fails by - ? - .95  $T_c$ .

Quasiparticles are different, because baryons differ. Seen by LWW in eigenvalues  $\Rightarrow$

So? For large  $\mu_{qk}$ , baryons differ, still quarkyonic phase. *But down to  $N_c = 2$ ?*

