

Investigations of the QCD phase diagram with Dyson-Schwinger equations

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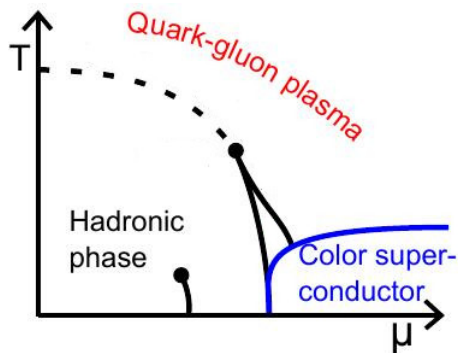
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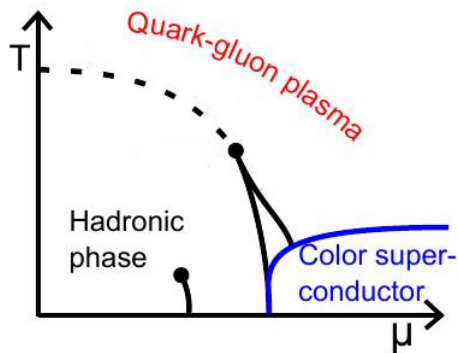
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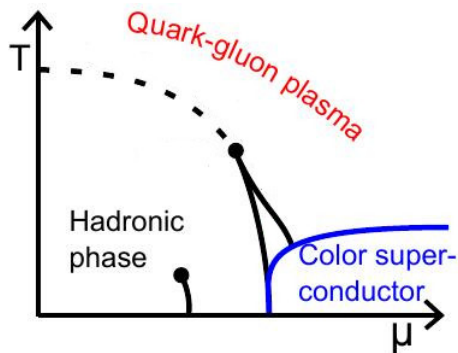
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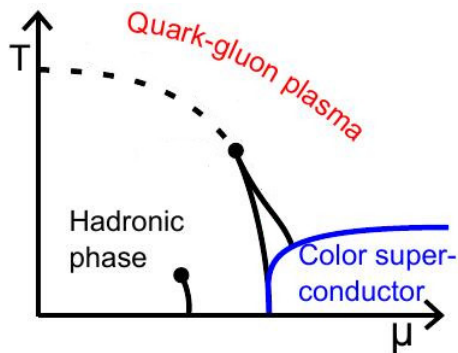
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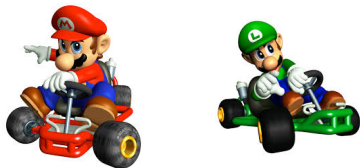
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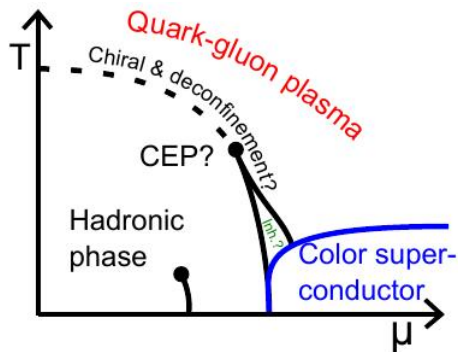
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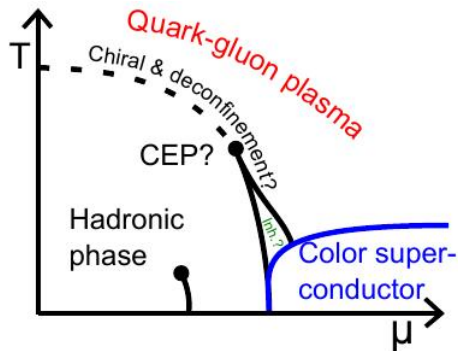
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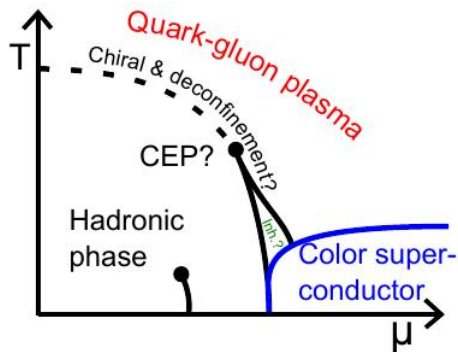
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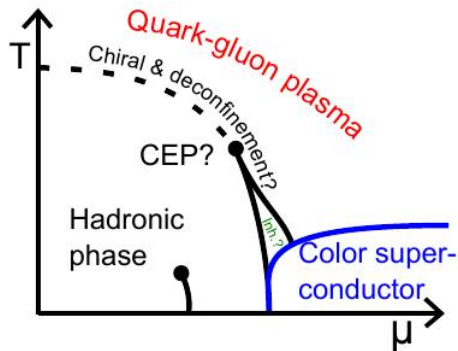
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Quark propagator in hot and dense matter

Bare quark propagator

$$S_0^{-1}(p) = i\vec{p}\vec{\gamma} + m_0$$

Bare quark propagator at finite T and μ

$$S_0^{-1}(p) = i\vec{p}\vec{\gamma} + i(\omega_n + i\mu)\gamma_4 + m_0$$

Dressed quark propagator at finite T and μ

$$S^{-1}(p) = i\vec{p}\vec{\gamma}A(p) + i(\omega_n + i\mu)\gamma_4C(p) + B(p)$$



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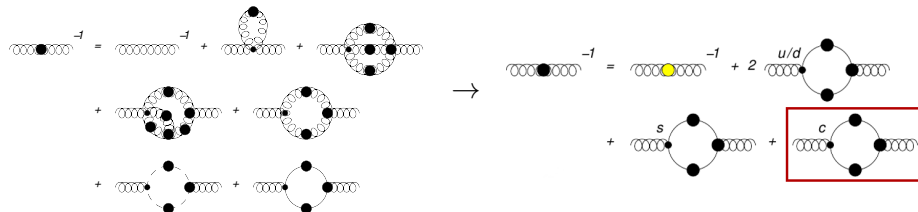
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Gluon propagator and gluon DSE I

Gluon propagator at finite T (and μ)

$$D_{\mu\nu}(p) = P_{\mu\nu}^L(p) \frac{Z^L(p)}{p^2} + P_{\mu\nu}^T(p) \frac{Z^T(p)}{p^2}$$



Gluon DSE

$$D_{\mu\nu}^{-1}(p) = [D_{\mu\nu}^{que.}(p)]^{-1} + \sum_f \Pi_{\mu\nu}^f(p)$$

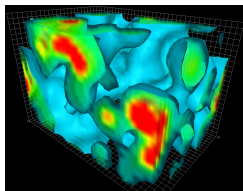
- Use input from lattice QCD for quenched gluon propagator $D_{\mu\nu}^{que.}(p)$
- Calculate quark loop for each flavor
- Finite temperature gluon fully determined by dressing functions $Z^L(p)$ and $Z^T(p)$

Quark-gluon vertex ansatz

$$\Gamma_{\mu}(l, p; q) = \gamma_{\mu} \cdot \Gamma_{[d_1]}(l^2, p^2, q^2) \cdot \left(\delta_{\mu,4} \frac{C(l) + C(p)}{2} + \delta_{\mu,i} \frac{A(l) + A(p)}{2} \right)$$

- Designed along symmetries and constraints
- Depends on temperature, chemical potential and quark flavor via **first term of the Ball-Chiu-Vertex**
- **Vertex dressing function** depends on parameter d_1 (interaction strength small momenta)
→ d_1 becomes important when including the charm quark

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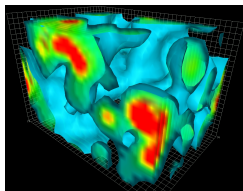
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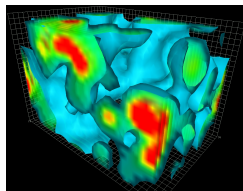
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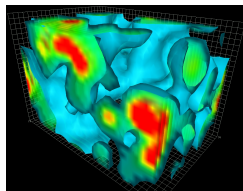
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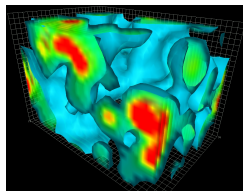
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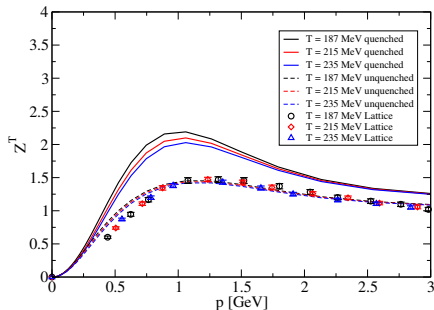
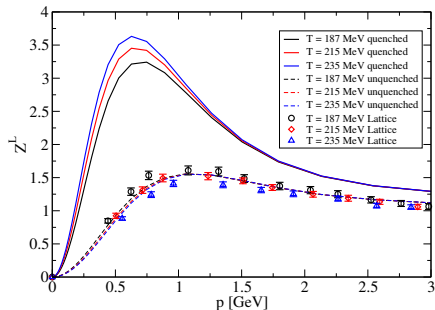
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Unquenched gluon propagator $N_f=2$



- Gluon propagators for $N_f=2$ with $m_\pi=316$ MeV
- DSE results calculated before lattice results
- Lattice results from [R. Aouane et al., Phys.Rev. D87 \(2013\) 11, 114502](#)

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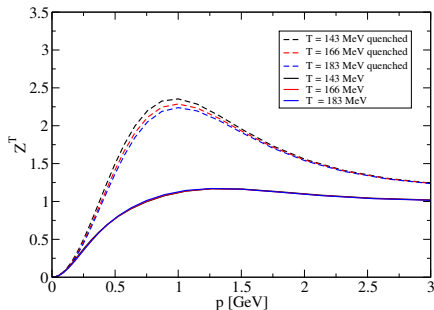
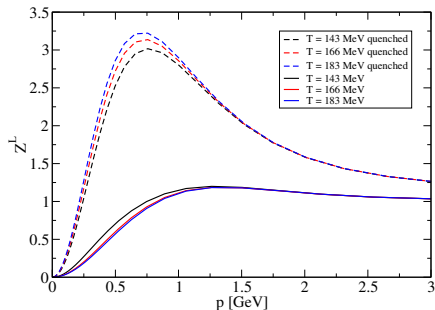
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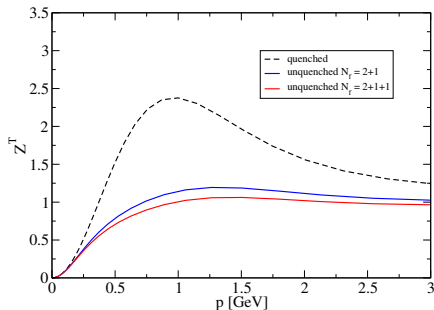
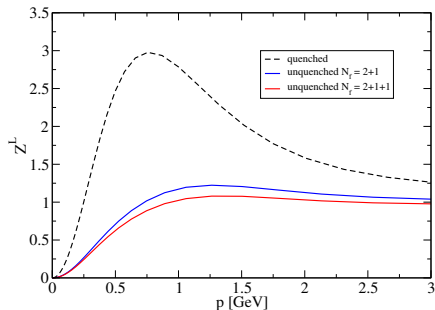
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→ Sets B

Unquenched gluon propagator $N_f=2+1$



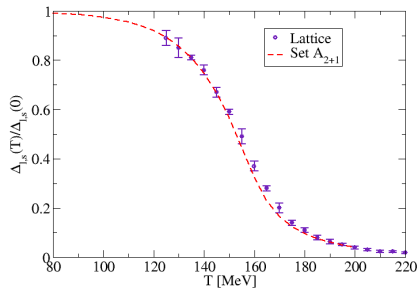
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- Prediction for unquenched propagators on the lattice

Unquenched gluon propagator $N_f=2+1$ and $N_f=2+1+1$



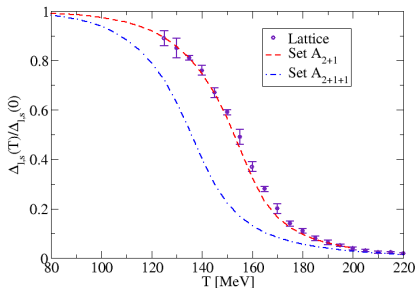
- Gluon propagators for $N_f=2+1$ and $N_f=2+1+1$ for Sets B close to the critical temperature
- *Influence of the charm quark on 10 percent level*

Results at $\mu = 0$ MeV I



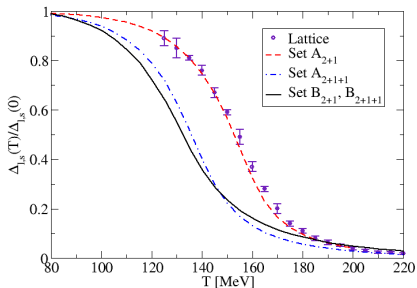
- Tuned d_1 to get good agreement with lattice data [Borsanyi et al. JHEP 1009 073](#)
- *Nontrivial result: perfect agreement for steepness*

Results at $\mu = 0$ MeV II



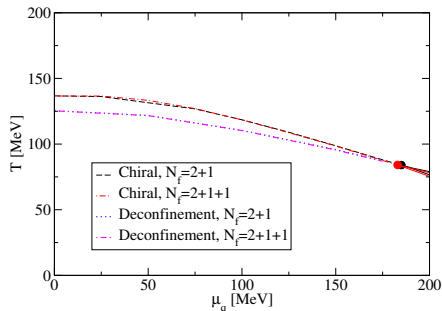
- Steepness is conserved
- *Merely adding the charm quark shifts the curve to lower temperatures*

Results at $\mu = 0$ MeV III



- Shape of the curve changed slightly
- *Chiral condensate for Sets B does not differ for $N_f=2+1$ and $N_f=2+1+1$*

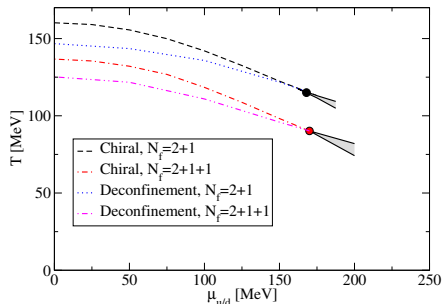
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|-------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| B_{2+1} | (185,85) | 136.7 | 132.0 |
| B_{2+1+1} | (181,86,5) | 136.8 | 131.6 |

- Difference $\Delta T \approx -23$ MeV compared to lattice results at $\mu = 0$ MeV [Borsanyi et al. JHEP 1009 073](#)
→ systematical error of truncation
- *Physics fixed in vacuum* → *no influence of charm quark within numerical resolution*

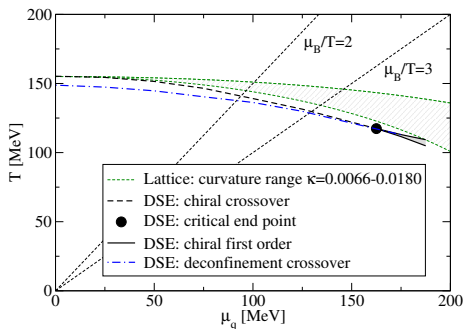
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| A_{2+1} | (168, 115) | 160.2 | 155.6 |
| A_{2+1+1} | (172, 93.5) | 142.6 | 137.2 |

- Disagreement of chiral and deconfinement transition: partly from definition of T_C
- *Merely adding the charm quark results in a shift of $\Delta T \approx -18$ MeV*

Phase diagram - prediction



- Chiral crossover defined via inflection point
- Curvature (μ_B):
 - 1 $\kappa_{DSE, chiral} = 0.0275$
 - 2 $\kappa_{DSE, deconf} = 0.0253$
- Curvature lattice from [G. Endrodi et al., JHEP 1104, 001 \(2011\)](#), [O. Kaczmarek et al., Phys.Rev. D83, 014504 \(2011\)](#) and [P. Cea et al., Phys.Rev. D89, 074512 \(2014\)](#)
- Baryonic and mesonic effects

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- Prediction for the phase diagram for $N_f=2+1$ holds also for $N_f=2+1+1$

Outlook

- Baryonic (future: mesonic) effects under investigation
- Spectral properties of the quark and gluon

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*"I hear, I know.
I see, I remember.
I do, I understand."*

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Quark DSE at finite T and μ

$$\left[S^f(p)\right]^{-1} = Z_2^f \left[S_0^f(p)\right]^{-1} + \Pi_{self}^f(p)$$

$$\Pi_{self}^f(p) = C_F Z_{1F}^f g^2 T \sum_n \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\gamma_\mu S^f(l) \Gamma_\nu^f(l, p; q) D_{\mu\nu}(q) \right]$$

Gluon propagator at finite T (and μ)

$$D_{\mu\nu}(p) = P_{\mu\nu}^L(p) \frac{Z^L(p)}{p^2} + P_{\mu\nu}^T(p) \frac{Z^T(p)}{p^2}$$

$$P_{\mu\nu}^T = (1 - \delta_{\mu 4})(1 - \delta_{\nu 4}) \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{\vec{p}^2} \right)$$

$$P_{\mu\nu}^L = P_{\mu\nu} - P_{\mu\nu}^T$$

$$P_{\mu\nu} = \delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^2}$$

Gluon DSE

$$D_{\mu\nu}^{-1}(p) = [D_{\mu\nu}^{que.}(p)]^{-1} + \sum_f^{N_f} \Pi_{\mu\nu}^f(p)$$

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}^f(p) = -Z_2^f \frac{g^2}{2} T \sum_n \int \frac{d^3l}{(2\pi)^3} \text{Tr} \left[\gamma_\mu S^f(l) \Gamma_\nu^f(l, q; p) S^f(q) \right]$$

Quark-Gluon vertex ansatz

$$\Gamma_{\mu}^f(l, p; q) = \gamma_{\mu} \cdot \Gamma(l^2, p^2, q^2) \cdot \left(\delta_{\mu,4} \frac{C^f(l) + C^f(p)}{2} + \delta_{\mu,i} \frac{A^f(l) + A^f(p)}{2} \right)$$
$$\Gamma(l^2, p^2, q^2) = \frac{d_1}{d_2 + x} + \frac{x}{\Lambda^2 + x} \left(\frac{\beta_0 \alpha(\mu) \ln[x/\Lambda^2 + 1]}{4\pi} \right)^{2\delta}$$

- Λ and d_2 fixed by YM sector
- Renormalized coupling $\alpha(\zeta)=0.3$
- Variable x : gluon momentum q^2 in qDSE, sum of quark momenta $l^2 + p^2$ in quark loop (multiplicative renormalizability)
- d_1 only open parameter which sets interaction strength in IR

Backup - Parameter for different sets I

| Set | m_l | m_s | d_1 | m_π | m_K | f_π |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|---------|
| A_{2+1} | 0.8 | 21.6 | 8.05 | 107 | 405 | 107 |
| B_{2+1} | 1.32 | 34.1 | 6.8 | 135 | 497 | 94 |

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|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|--------------|---------|
| A_{2+1+1} | 0.8 | 21.6 | 300.0 | 8.05 | 109 | 412 | 2,364 | 95 |
| B_{2+1+1} | 1.23 | 31.6 | 440.0 | 7.6 | 135 | 497 | 2,982 | 94 |

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$$\begin{aligned}\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_f &= Z_2 Z_m N_c T \sum_n \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \text{Tr}_D [S^f(p)] \\ &\approx \text{const.} + m_0^f \cdot \Lambda^2\end{aligned}$$

Backup - DSE for background field I

$$\frac{\delta(\Gamma - S)}{\delta A_0} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\text{Diagram 1} - \text{Diagram 2} - \text{Diagram 3} - \frac{1}{6} \text{Diagram 4} + \text{Diagram 5} \right]$$

- Gives (up to integration) background field potential
- Neglect two-loop contributions \rightarrow given by QCD propagators
- Minimum of potential is $\bar{A}_0 = \langle A_0 \rangle$