

# Quarks and pions at finite chemical potential

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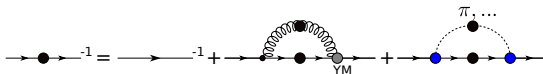
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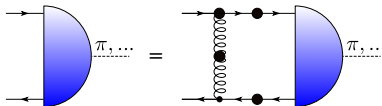
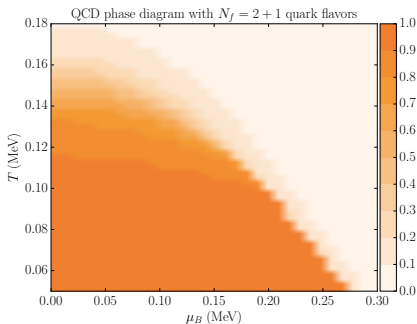
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# Phase structure of QCD

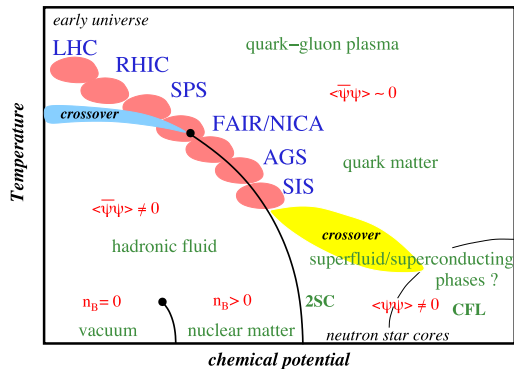


Figure: Schaefer and Wagner, Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys. 62 (2009) 381

## Previous DS studies:

### QCD phase diagram with $N_f = 2 + 1$ and $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ quark flavors:

► Luecker and Fischer, Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys. 67(2), 200–205 (2012)

► Fischer, Luecker and Welzbacher, Phys.Rev. D 90(3), 34022 (2014)

### Baryon effects on the location of QCD's CEP:

► Eichmann, Fischer and Welzbacher, Phys.Rev. D 93, 034013 (2016)

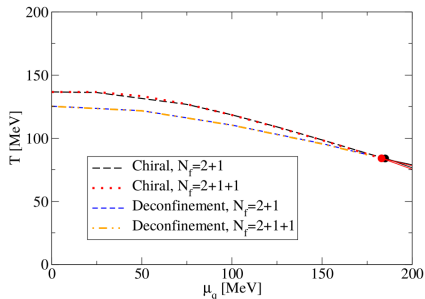
### Mesonic back-coupling effects in vacuum and finite T:

► Fischer, Nickel and Wambach Phys.Rev. D 76, 094009 (2007)

► Fischer and Williams Phys.Rev. D 78, 074006 (2008)

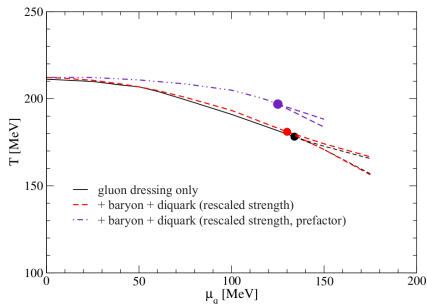
► Fischer and Mueller Phys.Rev. D 84, 054013 (2011)

## Including the charm quark:



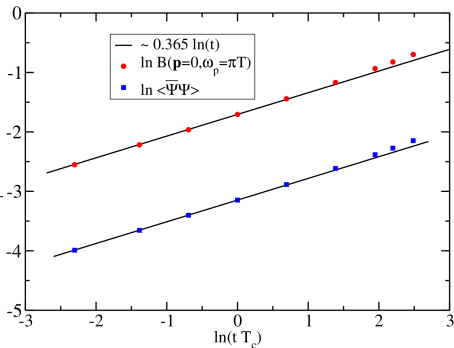
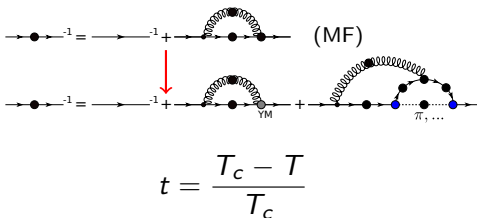
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## Modeling Baryon effects:



Eichmann, Fischer and Welzbacher, Phys.Rev. D 93, 034013 (2016)

Importance of mesonic back-coupling effects:



$T = 0$ : Meson corrections in order of  $\sim 10 - 20\%$

$T = T_c$ : Meson corrections dominant  $\rightarrow$  critical scaling ( $m_q \rightarrow 0$ ):

$$\langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle (t) \sim B(t) \sim t^{\nu/(2-\eta)} \sim t^{\nu/2} \sim t^{\beta} \quad \beta = 0.365, \nu = 0.73$$

$T = 0$ : Fischer, Williams, Phys.Rev. D 78, 074006 (2008)

$T = T_c$ : Fischer, Mueller, Phys.Rev. D 84, 054013 (2011)

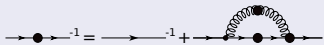
(Heisenberg class)



# Dyson-Schwinger approach

Coupled set of Dyson-Schwinger equations:

Quark DSE:



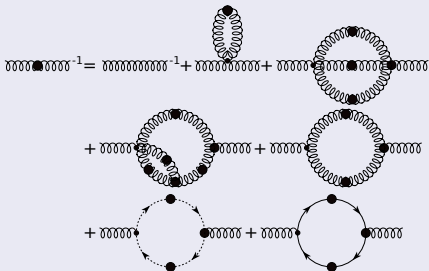
Quark-Gluon-Vertex DSE:



Further Vertex and Ghost DSEs:

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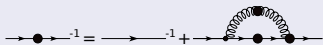
Gluon DSE:



# Truncation

Coupled set of **truncated** Dyson-Schwinger equations (Step I):

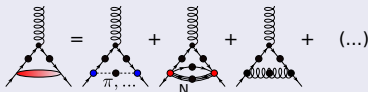
Quark DSE:


$$\text{quark}^{-1} = \text{quark}^{-1} + \text{quark}^{-1} \text{ gluon quark}$$

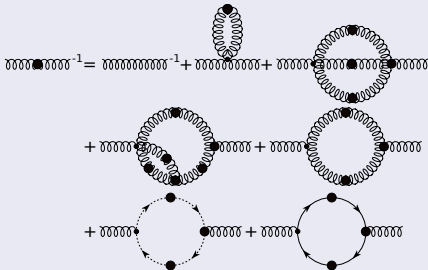
Quark-Gluon-Vertex DSE:


$$\text{quark-gluon vertex} = \text{bare vertex} + \text{red loop} + \text{blue loop} + \text{green loop} + \text{yellow loop} + \dots$$

Skeleton expansion:


$$\text{quark-gluon vertex} = \text{bare vertex} + \text{meson} + \text{nucleon} + \dots$$

Gluon DSE:

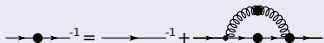

$$\text{gluon}^{-1} = \text{gluon}^{-1} + \text{gluon loop} + \text{ghost loop} + \text{quark loop} + \dots$$



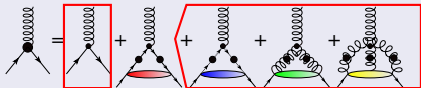
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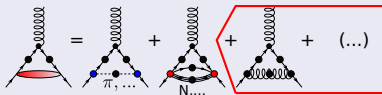
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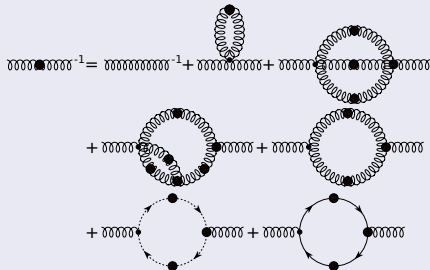
Quark-Gluon-Vertex DSE:



Skeleton expansion:



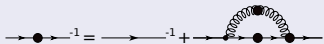
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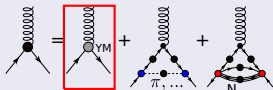
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Coupled set of **truncated** Dyson-Schwinger equations (Step II):

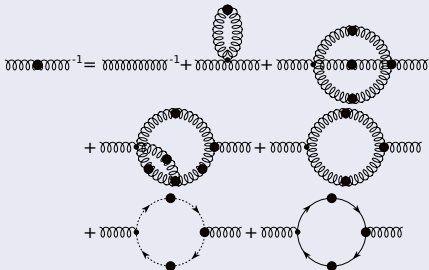
Quark DSE:



Quark-Gluon-Vertex DSE:



Gluon DSE:



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Coupled set of **truncated** Dyson-Schwinger equations (Step II):

Quark DSE:

$$\text{quark}^{-1} = \text{quark}^{-1} + \text{quark}^{-1} \text{ gluon loop} \text{ quark}$$

Quark-Gluon-Vertex DSE:

$$\text{quark-gluon vertex} = \text{quark-gluon vertex}^{\text{YM}} + \text{quark-gluon vertex}^{\pi, \dots} + \text{quark-gluon vertex}^{\text{N}, \dots}$$

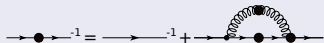
Gluon DSE:

$$\text{gluon}^{-1} = \text{gluon}^{-1} + \text{gluon}^{-1} \text{ ghost loop} \text{ gluon} + \text{gluon}^{-1} \text{ quark loop} \text{ gluon} + \text{gluon}^{-1} \text{ gluon loop} \text{ gluon}$$

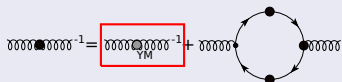
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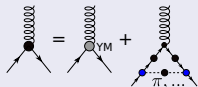
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Gluon DSE:



Quark-Gluon-Vertex DSE:



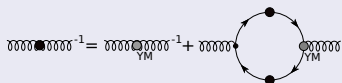
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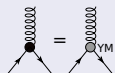
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Quark-Gluon-Vertex DSE:



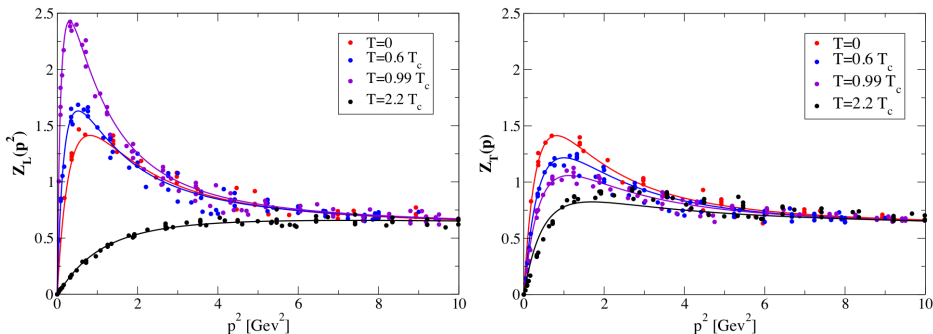
**Lattice data for quenched gluon:**

Fischer, Maas and Müller, Eur.Phys.J. C (2010) 68: 165

Fischer and Müller Phys.Rev. D 80, 074029 (2009)

# Truncation scheme properties

T-dependent gluon propagator from quenched lattice simulations:



Crucial difference between transversal and longitudinal gluon ( $T_c = 277$  MeV)

Cucchieri, Maas, Mendes, PRD 75 (2007)  
CF, Maas, Mueller, EPJC 68 (2010)  
Aouane et al., PRD 85 (2012) 034501

Cucchieri, Mendes, PoS FACESQCD 007 (2010)  
Silva, Oliveira, Bicudo, Cardoso, PRD 89 (2014) 074503  
FRG: Fister, Pawłowski, arXiv:1112.5440

# Truncation scheme properties

**Vertex truncation:** STI and perturbative behavior at large momenta constrain vertex

$$\Gamma_{\nu}^f(p, q, k) = \Gamma(k^2) \gamma_{\nu} (\delta_{\nu,5} \Sigma_A + \delta_{\nu,4} \Sigma_C)$$

$$\Gamma(k^2) = \frac{d_1}{d_2 + k^2} + \frac{k^2}{\Lambda^2 + k^2} \left( \frac{\beta_0 \alpha(\mu'') \ln[k^2/\Lambda^2 + 1]}{4\pi} \right)^{2\delta}$$

With first Ball-Chiu structure:  $\Sigma_X = \frac{X(\vec{p}^2, \omega_p) + X(\vec{q}^2, \omega_q)}{2}$ ,  $X \in \{A, C\}$

**Abelian WTI:** from approximated STI

**Perturbation theory**

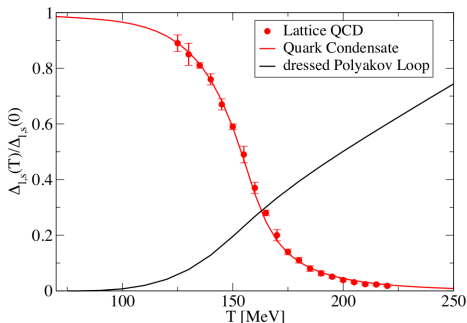
**Infrared ansatz:**  $d_2$  fixed to match gluon input,  $d_1$  fixed via quark condensate

Fischer and Mueller, Phys.Rev. D 80, 074029 (2009)

Fischer, Phys.Rev.Lett. 103, 052003 (2009)

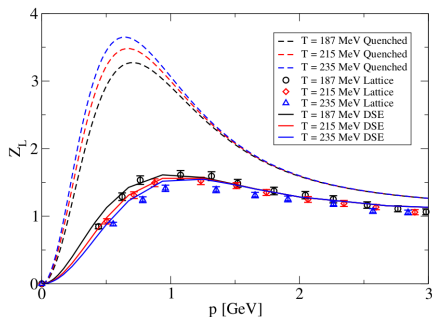
# Truncation scheme properties

Determination of  $d_1$  and prediction for unquenched gluon:



Lattice: Borsanyi et al. [Wuppertal-Budapest], JHEP 1009(2010) 073

DSE: CF, Luecker, PLB 718 (2013) 1036,  
CF, Luecker, Welzbacher, PRD 90 (2014) 034022



Lattice: Aouane, Burger, Ilgenfritz, Müller-Preussker, Sternbeck, PRD D87 (2013), [arXiv:1212.1102]  
DSE: CF, Luecker, PLB 718 (2013) 1036, [arXiv:1206.5191]

Quantitative agreement: DSE results verified by lattice



# Present QCD phase diagram

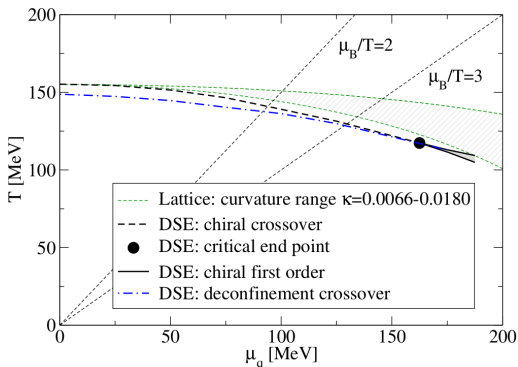
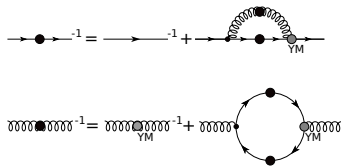


Figure: Fischer, Luecker, Welzbacher, PRD 90 (2014) 34022

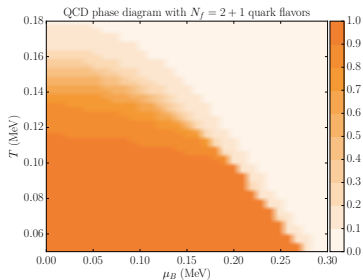
## Extrapolated curvature from lattice

- ▶ Kaczmarek et al. PRD 83 (2011) 014504,
- ▶ Endrodi, Fodor, Katz, Szabo, JHEP 1104 (2011) 001
- ▶ Cea, Cosmai, Papa, PRD 89 (2014), PRD 93 (2016)
- ▶ Bonati et al., PRD 92 (2015) 054503
- ▶ Bellwied et al. PLB 751 (2015) 559



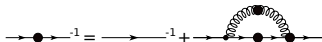
## CEP at large $\mu_q$

- ▶ CF, Luecker, PLB 718 (2013) 1036
- ▶ CF, Fister, Luecker, Pawłowski, PLB 732 (2014) 273
- ▶ CF, Luecker, Welzbacher, PRD 90 (2014) 034022



# Order parameter

## Chirality:



### Quark condensate

$$\langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle^f = -Z_m Z_2 \int_q \text{tr}_{DC} [S^f(p)]$$

### Regularized quark condensate

$$\Delta_{f'f} = \langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle^{f'} - \frac{m_B^{f'}}{m_B^f} \langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle^f$$

**Deconfinement:**  $\langle L[A] \rangle \propto e^{-\frac{F_q}{T}}$ , static quark free energy  $F_q$

### Dressed Polyakov loop<sup>1</sup>

$$\Sigma = - \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\varphi}{2\pi} e^{-i\varphi} \langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle_\varphi$$

### Polyakov loop potential<sup>2</sup>

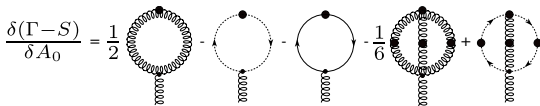
$$L[A] := \frac{1}{N_c} \text{tr}_C \left( \mathcal{P} e^{i \int d\tau A_0(\vec{x}, \tau)} \right)$$

1:

Synatschke, Wipf, Wozar, PRD 75, 114003 (2007)

Bilgici, Bruckmann, Gatttringer, Hagen, PRD 77 094007 (2008)

Fischer, PRL 103 052003 (2009)



2:

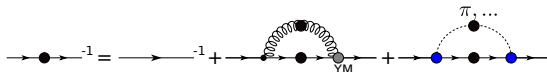
Braun, Gies, Pawłowski, PLB 684, 262 (2010)

Braun, Haas, Marhauser, Pawłowski, PRL 106 (2011)

Fister, Pawłowski, PRD 88 045010 (2013)

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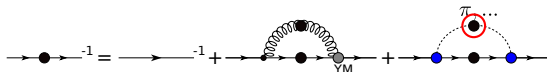


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Pion Bethe-Salpeter amplitude in medium

**First step:** Investigate Pion amplitudes at finite chemical potential

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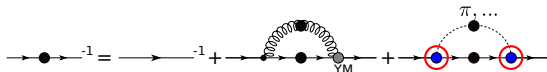
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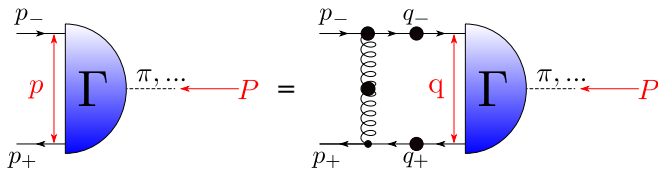
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# Bound states - Bethe-Salpether equations

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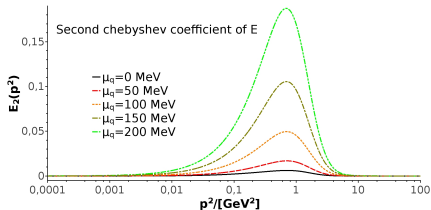
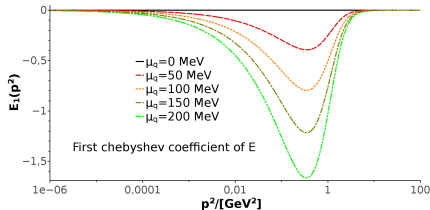
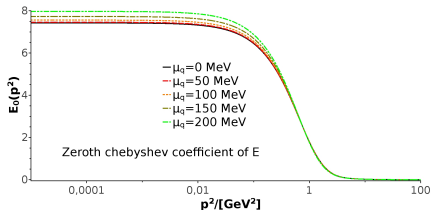
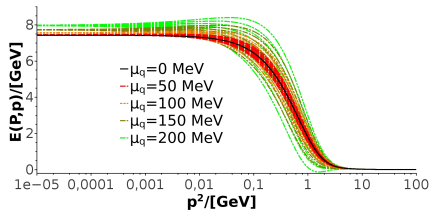
Pion amplitude in vacuum

$$\Gamma_\pi(P, p) = \gamma_5 \left[ -iE(P, p) + \not{p}F(P, p) + \not{p}(Pp)G(P, p) + [\not{p}, \not{p}] H(P, p) \right]$$

Pion amplitude in medium

$$\Gamma_\pi(P, p) = \gamma_5 \left[ -iE(P, p) + P_4 \gamma_4 F_l(P, p) + \vec{P} \vec{\gamma} F_t(P, p) + \dots \right]$$

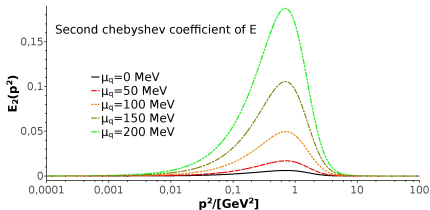
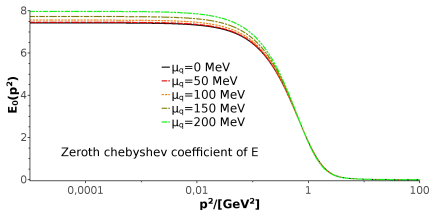
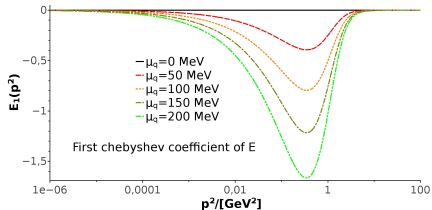
# Pion amplitude



## Chebyshev expansion:

$$E(P^2, p^2, \hat{P}\hat{p}) \approx$$

$$\sum_j E^j(P^2, p^2) T_j(\hat{P}\hat{p})$$

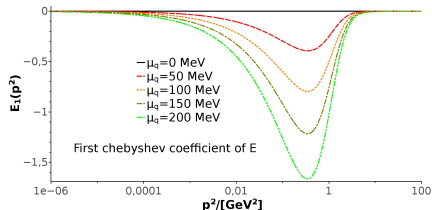




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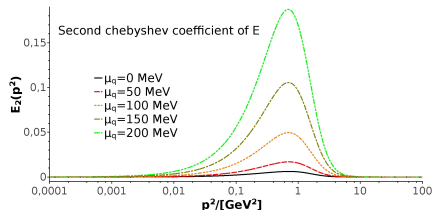
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**Charge-conjugated pion amplitude:**

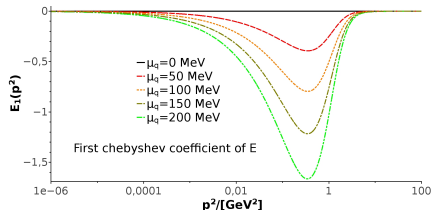
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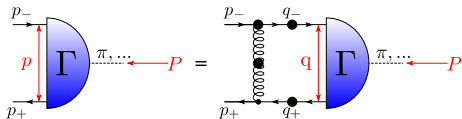
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**Pion:**  $J^{PC} = 0^{-+}$

→ odd Chebyshev coefficients vanish

→  $\mu_q$  breaks C-Parity

# Progress: Complex quark



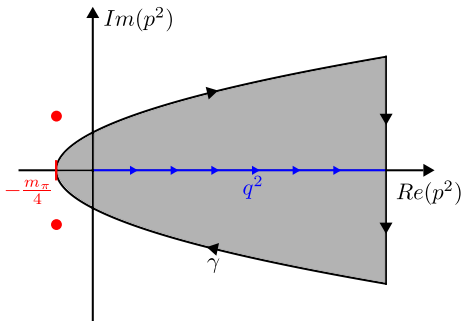
Momentum routing:

$$p_{\pm}^2 = \left( p \pm \frac{P}{2} \right)^2, \quad P = (\vec{0}, im_{\pi})$$

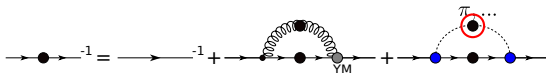
$$\rightarrow p_{\pm}^2 = p^2 - \frac{m_{\pi}^2}{4} \pm im_{\pi} \sqrt{p^2}$$

Cauchy method:

$$f(p_0^2) = \frac{\oint_{\gamma} \frac{f(p^2)}{p^2 - p_0^2} dp^2}{\oint_{\gamma} \frac{1}{p^2 - p_0^2} dp^2}$$



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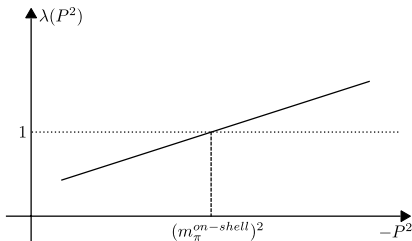
# Pion properties at finite chemical potential

Eigenvalue equation:

$$K(P^2)\Gamma(P^2, p^2) = \lambda(P^2)\Gamma(P^2, p^2)$$

On-shell condition:

$$P^2 = -M_j^2 \Rightarrow \lambda(P^2) = 1$$

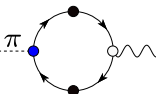


$\Rightarrow$  Pion mass  $m_\pi$   
extraction

Power method:

$$\hat{K}(P^2)\Gamma_n(P^2, p^2) = \lambda_n(P^2)\Gamma_{n+1}(P^2, p^2), \quad \lambda_n(P^2) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda(P^2)$$

# Pion properties at finite chemical potential

$$f_\pi P_\mu \propto \text{---}\pi \text{---}$$


## Pion decay constant in vacuum

$$f_\pi P^\mu = Z_2 N_c \int_q \text{tr}_D [\gamma_5 \gamma^\mu S(q_+) \Gamma_\pi(q, P) S(-q_-)]$$

From vacuum to finite chemical potential:

$$f_\pi P^\mu \xrightarrow{\mu_q > 0} \left( f_\pi^{\mathcal{L}} P_{\mu\nu}^{\mathcal{L}}(v) + f_\pi^{\mathcal{J}} P_{\mu\nu}^{\mathcal{J}}(v) \right) P^\nu$$

Long.  $P_{\mu\nu}^{\mathcal{L}}(v)$  and trans. proj.  $P_{\mu\nu}^{\mathcal{J}}(v)$  with assigned direction  $v = (\vec{0}, 1)$

# Pion propagator

## Pion velocity:

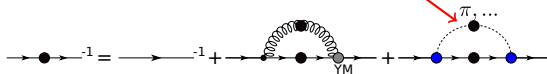
$$u = \frac{f_\pi^S}{f_\pi^T}$$

## Pion dispersion relation:

$$\omega^2 = u^2 \left( \vec{P}^2 + m_\pi^2 \right)$$

## Pion propagator:

$$D_\pi(P) = \frac{1}{P_4^2 + u^2 \left( \vec{P}^2 + m_\pi^2 \right)}$$



Son and Stephanov Phys.Rev. D, 66(7) (2002)  
Fischer and Mueller Phys.Rev. D 84, 054013 (2011)

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T. D. Cohen, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91 , 222001 (2003)

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# Silver Blaze property

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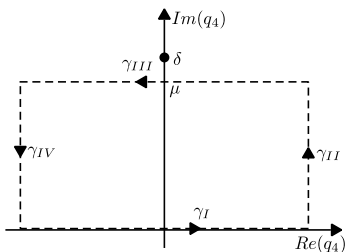
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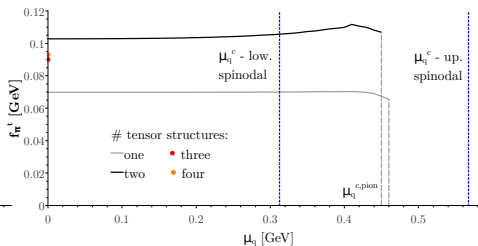
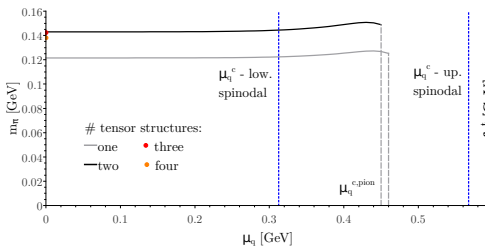
Substitution:

$$\langle \bar{\Psi} \Psi \rangle \sim \int_q S(\vec{q}^2, q_4 + i\mu_q)$$

$$q_4 \rightarrow q_4 + i\mu_q \quad \int_q S(\vec{q}^2, q_4) \sim \langle \bar{\Psi} \Psi \rangle_{\text{vac}}$$

Condition: No singularity in  $\gamma$

# Pion properties at finite chemical potential results



► Silver Blaze property fulfilled

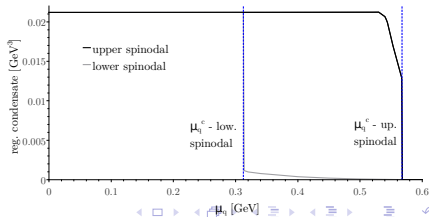
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## Qualitative agreement with (simpler) truncations:

Roberts, Phys.Part.Nucl. 30:223-257 (1999)

Roberts and Schmidt, Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys. 45(1) 1-103 (2000)

Liu, Chao, Chang and Wei, Chin. Phys. Lett., Vol 22, Nr 1



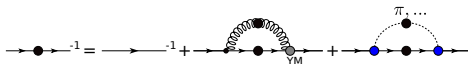
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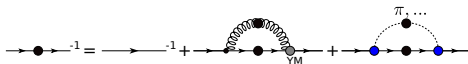
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# Backups

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# Quark propagator

$$\overrightarrow{\not{p}}^{-1} = S_{f,0}^{-1}(p)$$

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Bare quark propagator (vacuum)

$$S_0^{-1}(p) = Z_2(i\not{p} + \mathbb{1}Z_m m_r)$$

Dressed propagator (vacuum)

$$S^{-1}(p) = i\not{p}A(p) + \mathbb{1}B(p)$$

Scalar  $B$  and vector  $A$  dressing function

**Introducing the medium:**

**Heat bath:**  $T$  and  $\mu_q$  introduce assigned direction  $u = (\vec{0}, 1)$

- Quark vector dressing function splits up in spatial  $A$  and heat bath  $C$  part ( $\not{p} \rightarrow \vec{p}\vec{\gamma}, \tilde{\omega}_p\gamma_4$ ):

Dressed quark propagator (medium)

$$S^{-1}(p) = i\vec{p}\vec{\gamma}A(\omega_p, \vec{p}) + i\tilde{\omega}_p\gamma_4C(\omega_p, \vec{p}) + \mathbb{1}B(\omega_p, \vec{p}) + \cancel{\vec{p}\vec{\gamma}\tilde{\omega}_p\gamma_4D(\omega_p, \vec{p})}$$

Dressed gluon propagator (vacuum, Landau gauge)

$$D_{\sigma\nu}(k) = P_{\sigma\nu}^{\mathcal{J}}(k) \frac{Z(k)}{k^2}$$

**Projector:**

$$P_{\sigma\nu}^{\mathcal{J}}(k) = \left( \delta_{\sigma\nu} - \frac{k_\sigma k_\nu}{k^2} \right)$$

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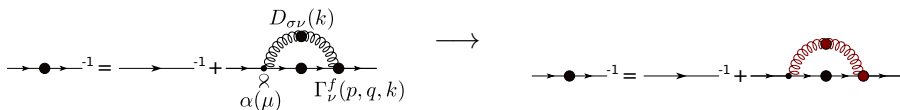
- Gluon splits up into a part **transversal** and a part **longitudinal** to heat bath ( $P_{\sigma\nu}^{\mathcal{J}}(k) \rightarrow P_{\sigma\nu}^T(k), P_{\sigma\nu}^L(k)$ )

Dressed gluon propagator (medium)

$$D_{\sigma\nu}(k; T) = \left( P_{\sigma\nu}^T(k) \frac{Z_T(k; T)}{k^2} + P_{\sigma\nu}^L(k) \frac{Z_L(k; T)}{k^2} \right)$$



# Effective interaction truncation



Combining vertex  $\Gamma$  and gluon  $Z$  to renormalization-group invariant effective coupling

$$\alpha(\mu) D_{\sigma\nu}(k) \Gamma_{\nu}^f(p, q, k) \propto \alpha(k^2) \frac{P_{\sigma\nu}^{\mathcal{J}}(k)}{k^2} \gamma_{\nu}$$

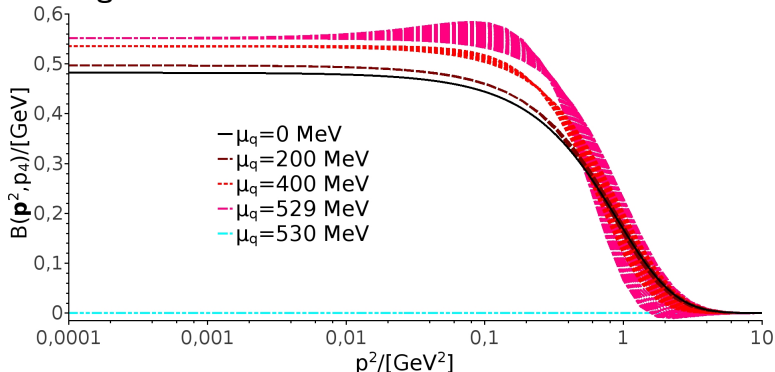
## Maris-Tandy ansatz:

Simple ansatz, quark flavor decouple

$$\alpha(k^2) = \alpha_{IR}(k^2) + \alpha_{UV}(k^2)$$

Maris and Tandy, Phys.Rev. C 60, 055214 (1999)

## Scalar dressing function:

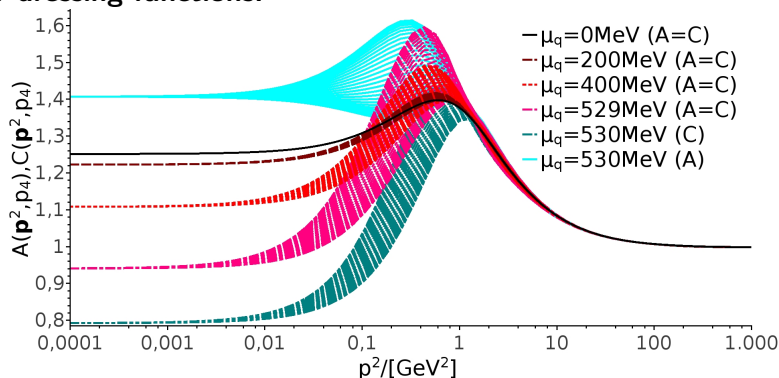


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$$\langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle \propto \int_q \frac{B(\vec{p}^2, p_4)}{D(\vec{p}^2, p_4)}$$

Chiral phase transition point  $\mu_q^c = 530 \text{ MeV}$

## Vector dressing functions:

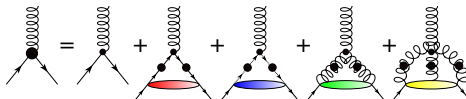


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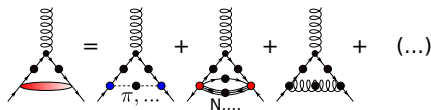
Degeneration of vector dressing function only in chiral limit

# Skeleton expansion

DSE of the fully dressed quark-gluon vertex:



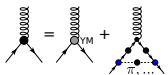
Skeleton expansion in terms of hadronic contributions:



→ Separation of hadronic terms and Yang-Mills terms

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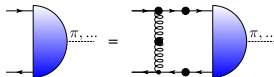
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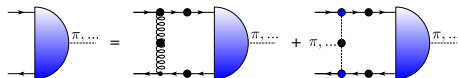
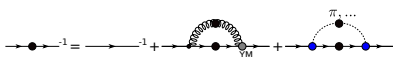
Inserting vertex into quark:



BSE:



**Assumption:** Only Yang-Mills part present in BSE  $\Rightarrow$  rewrite Quark DSE by inserting DSE into second diagram



Approximation justified if BSE vertex function with and without pion interaction term do not differ strongly

Fischer, Nickel and Wambach, Phys.Rev. D 76(9) (2007)

**Curvature**  $\kappa$  = first coefficient in Taylor series expansion of transition line in terms of  $\frac{\mu_q}{T}$

$$\frac{T^c(\mu_q)}{T_0^c} = 1 - \kappa \left( \frac{\mu_q}{T_0^c} \right)^2 + O \left[ \left( \frac{\mu_q}{T_0^c} \right)^4 \right]$$

$T_0^c$  = transition temperature for  $\mu_q = 0$

**Remark:** Curvature depends on choice of pseudo-critical temperature definition in crossover region