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Strong coupling

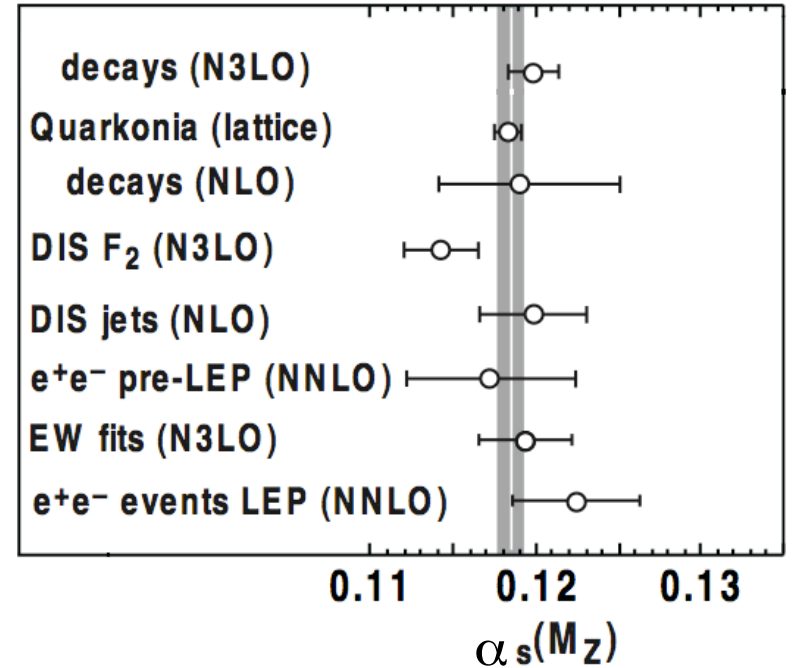
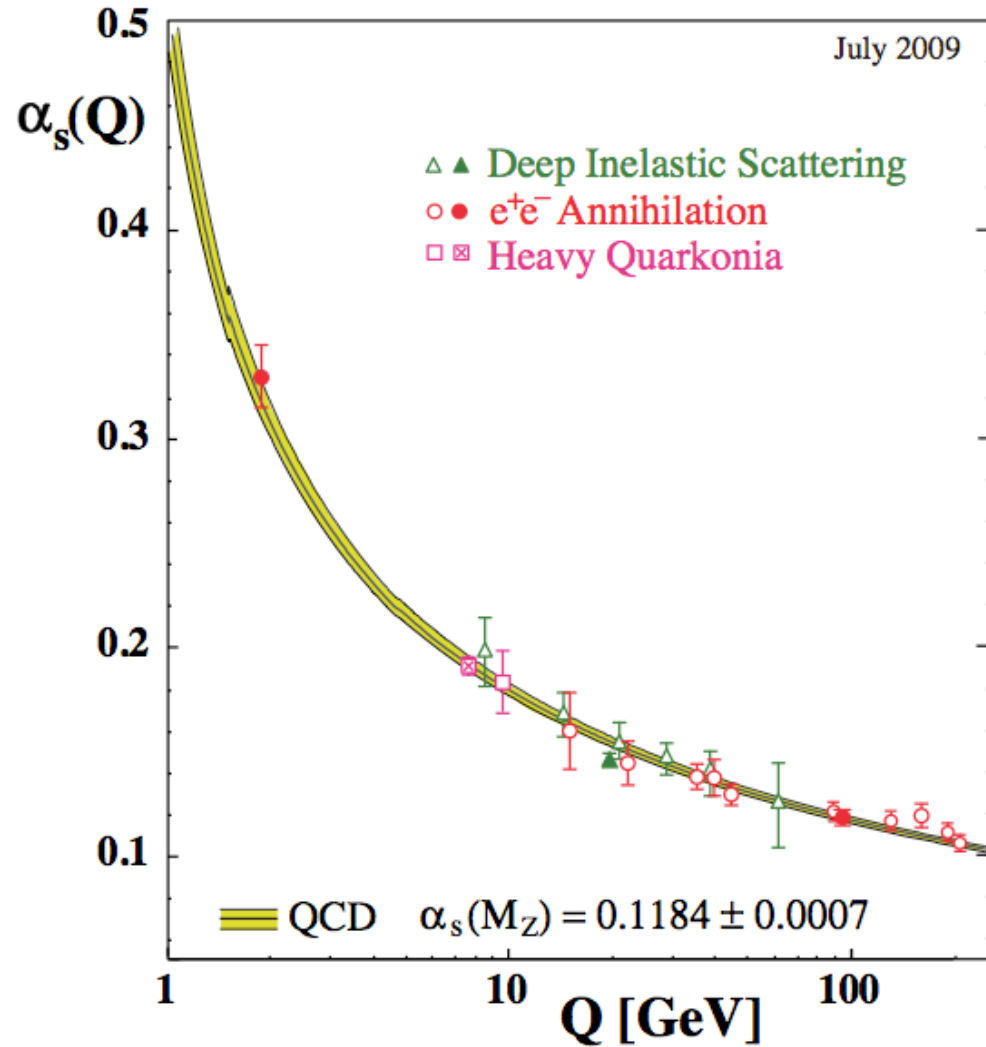
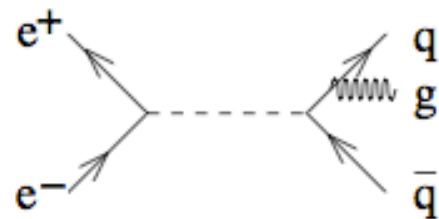
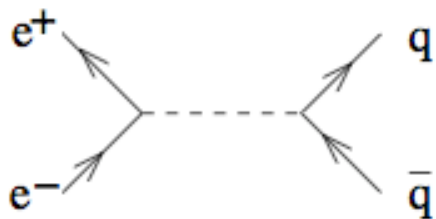
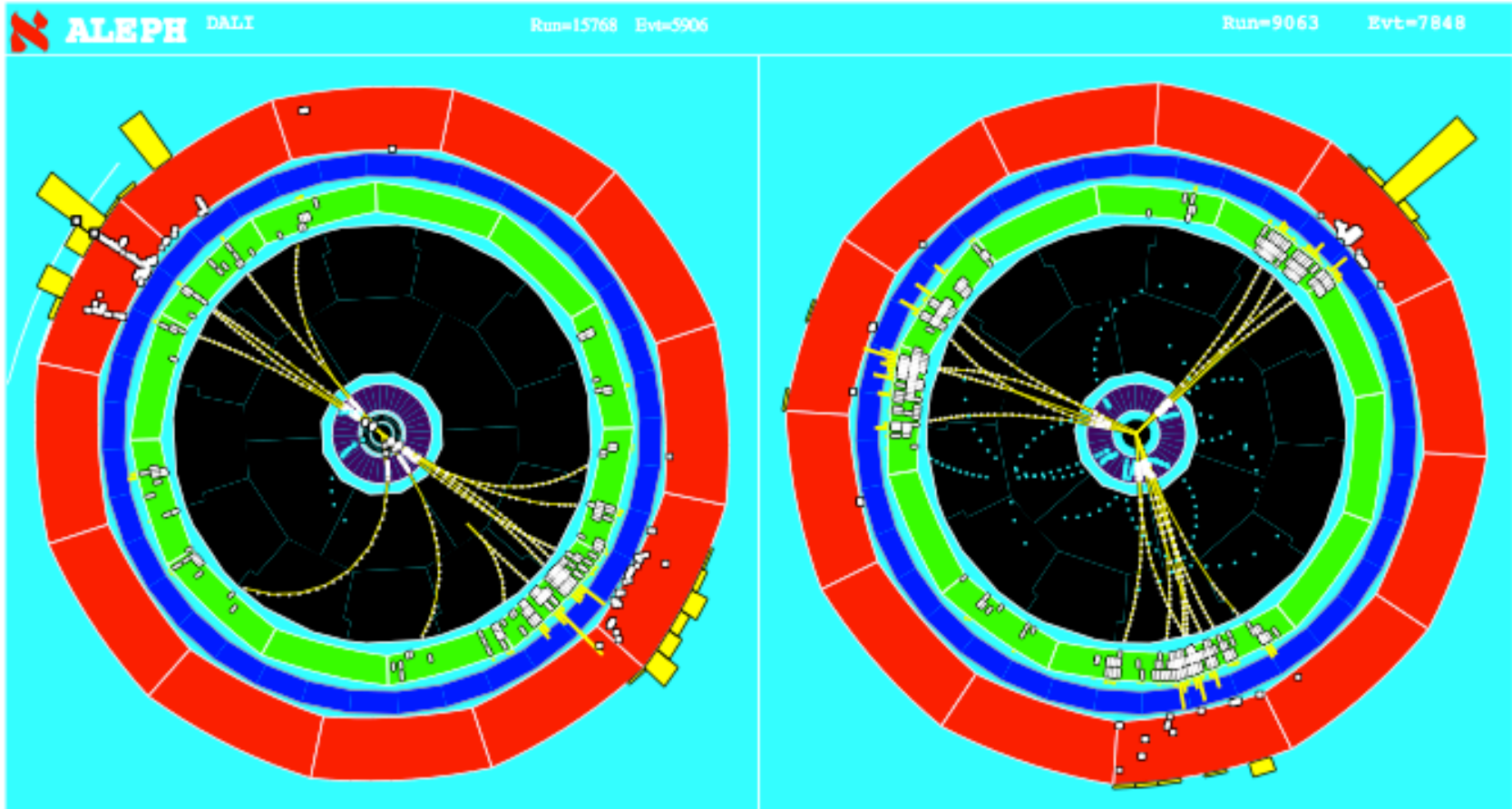


FIG. 4: Determinations of $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ from several processes. In most cases, the value measured at a scale μ has been evolved to $\mu = M_Z$. Error bars include the theoretical uncertainties. Adapted from Ref. [284].

“Seeing” quark and gluons through jets



slide from T. Schaefer

Potential energy between quarks

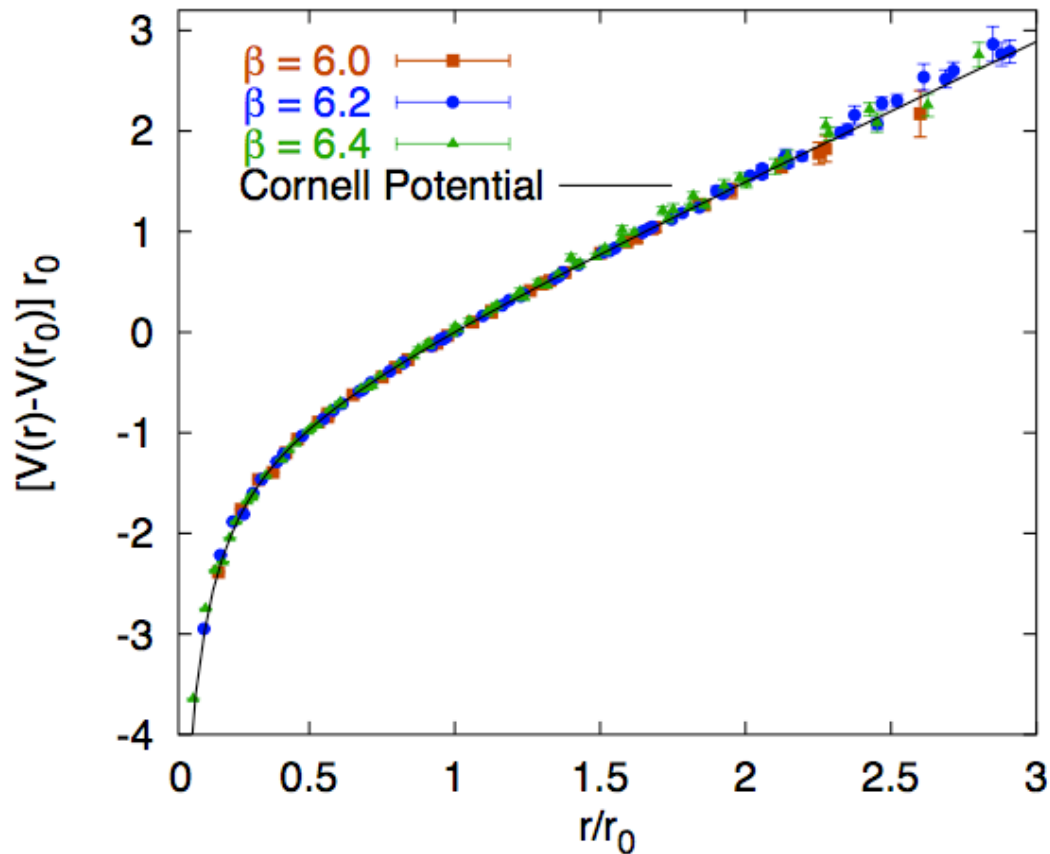


FIG. 2: The potential energy $V(r)$ between static sources of color (in an approximation without sea quarks). The zero of energy and the units are set by a conventional distance r_0 , defined by $r_0^2 dV/dr = 1.65$. The data points are from lattice QCD, generated at several values of $\beta = 6/g^2$, which—via dimensional transmutation—corresponds to varying the spacing between lattice sites. The black curve is a fit of these data to the potential model of Refs. [109][110]. From Ref. [250].

Meson and baryon masses from lattice QCD BMW collaboration (2010)

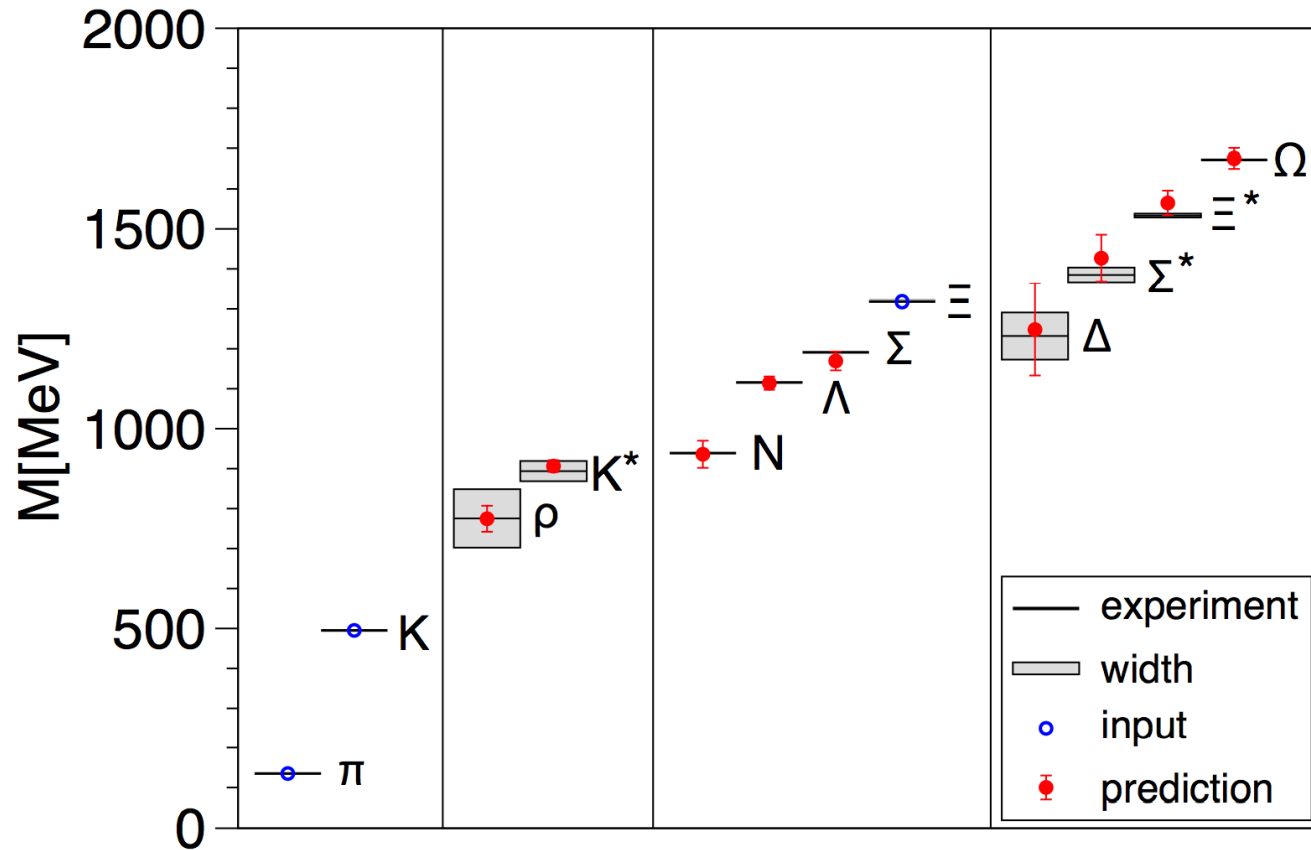
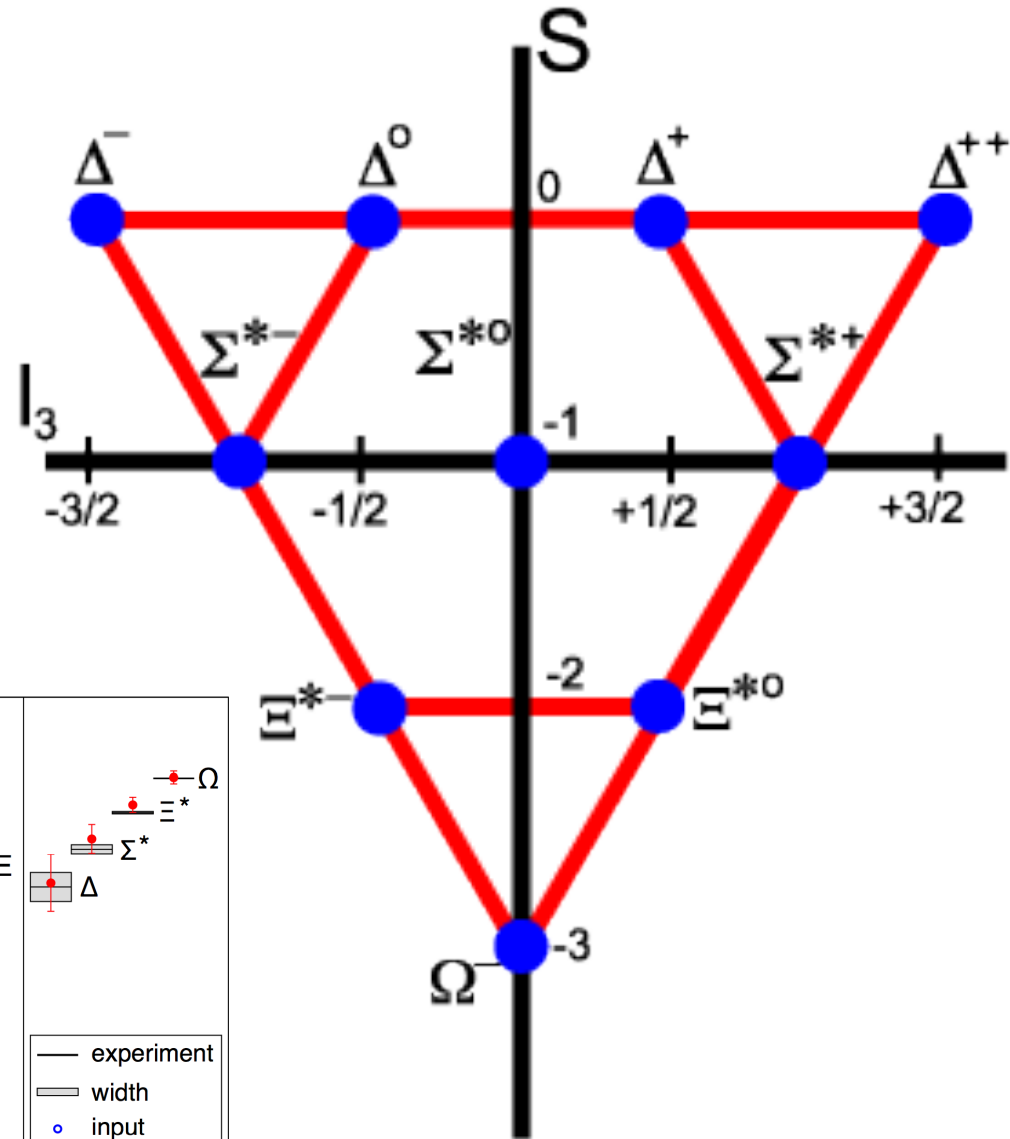
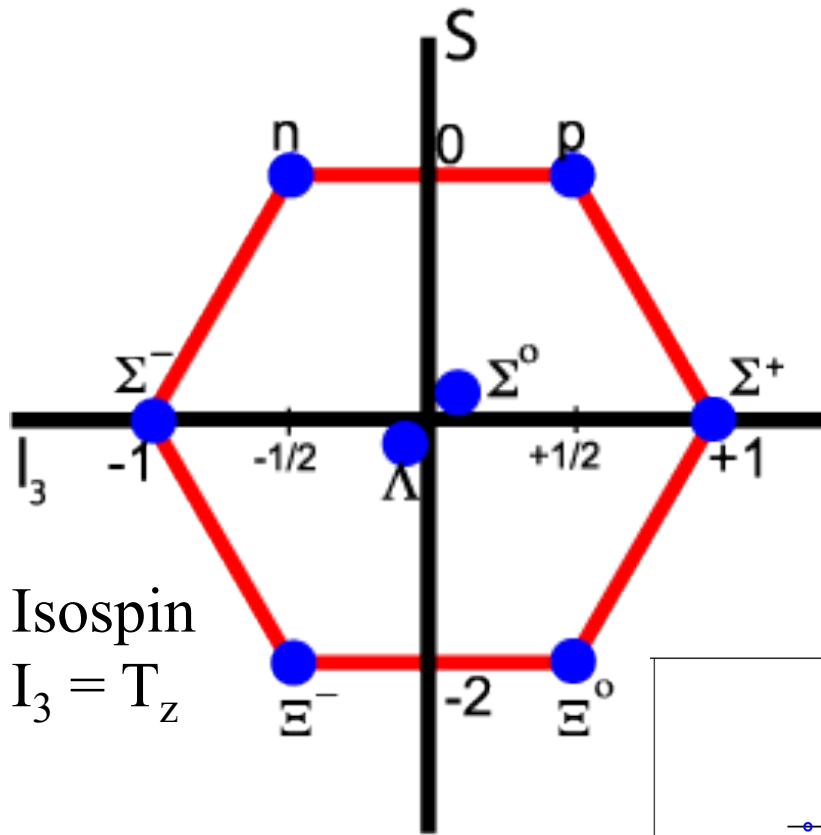


FIG. 22 Prediction of the light hadron spectrum in full $N_f = 2 + 1$ QCD according to (Durr *et al.*, 2008). Open circles are input quantities while filled circles are predictions. Experimental masses of hadrons that are stable in QCD are given with a vertical bar while for resonant states the box indicates the decay width. Experimental numbers are from (Amsler *et al.*, 2008).

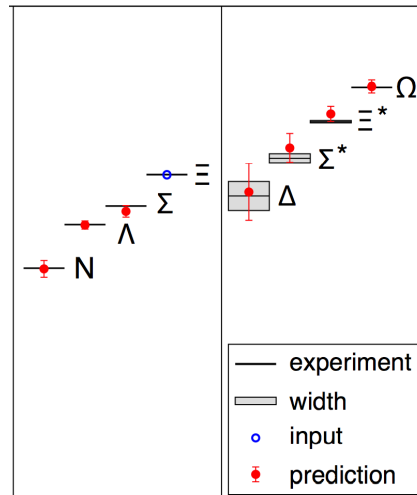
Baryons

$J=1/2$ ($S=1/2, L=0$)

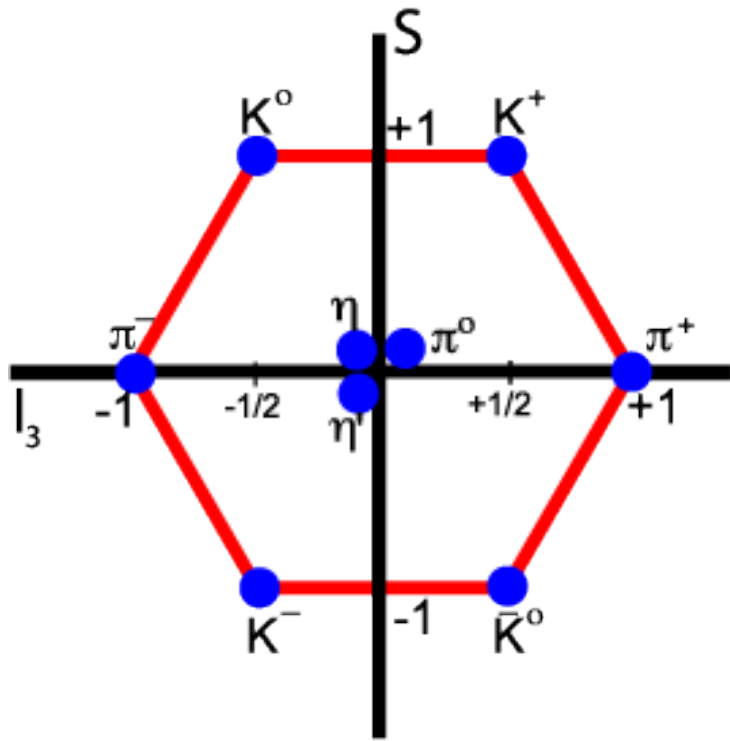
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Isospin
 $I_3 = T_z$

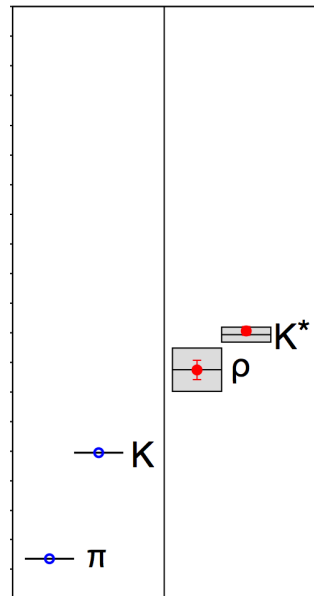
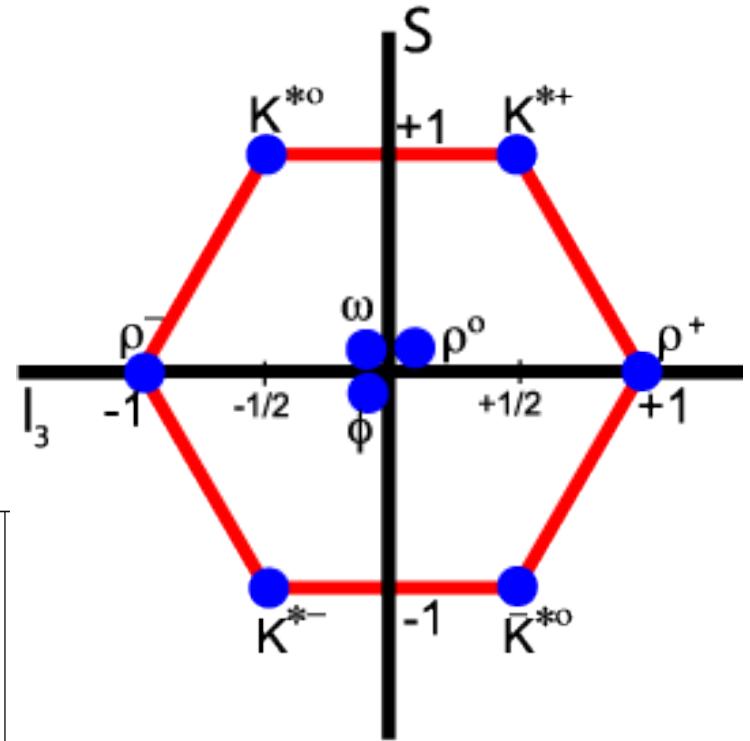


Pseudoscalar
 $J=0$ ($S=0, L=0$)



and

Vector Mesons
 $J=1$ ($S=1, L=0$)



QCD phase diagram

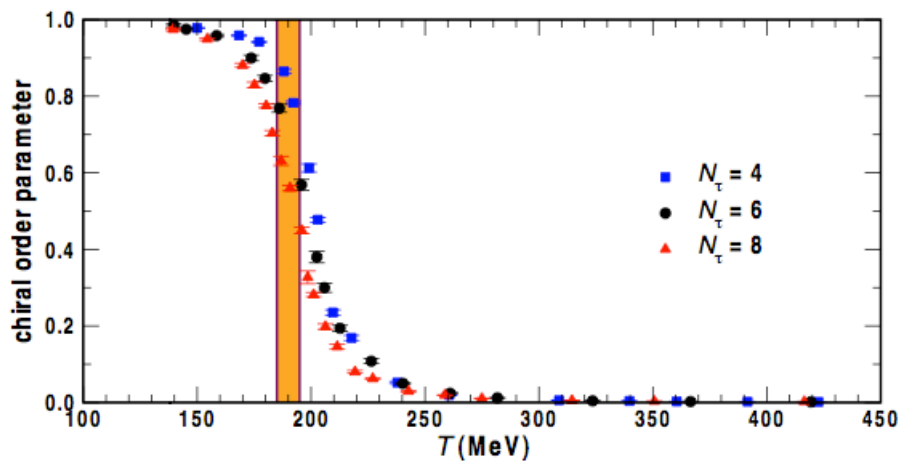
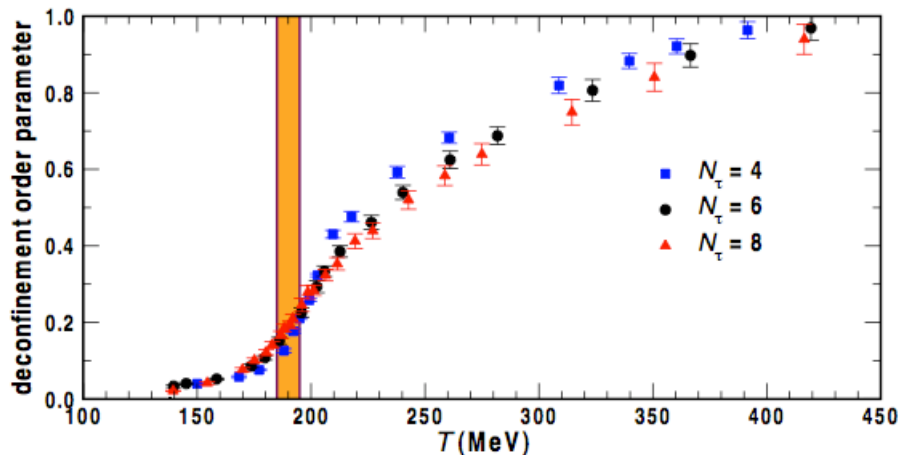


FIG. 11: Order parameters for deconfinement (top) and chiral symmetry restoration (bottom), as a function of temperature. The physical temperature $T = a/N_\tau$, where a is the lattice spacing. Agreement for several values of N_τ thus indicates that discretization effects from the lattice are under control. From Refs. [477,478].

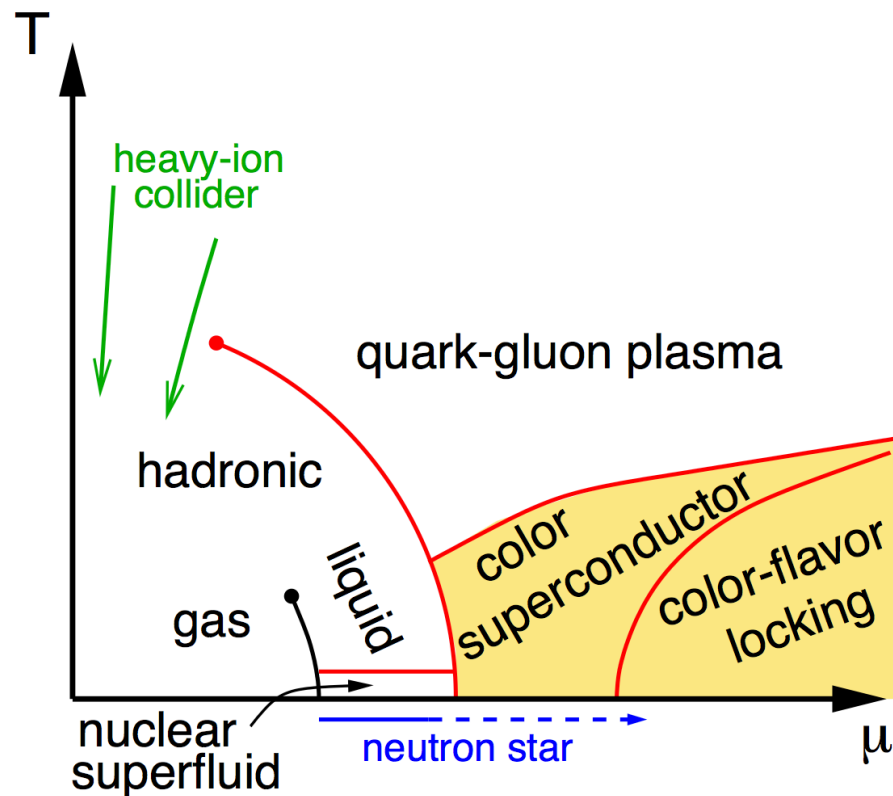


FIG. 10: Phase diagram of QCD in the μ - T plane. Here μ denotes baryon chemical potential and T temperature. At low μ , there is a smooth transition with varying T , probed by heavy-ion collisions and lattice-QCD calculations. At higher μ the phases are informed by models and other theoretical considerations. Hadronic matter denser than neutron stars is thought to exhibit “color superconductivity,” first without and eventually with “color-flavor locking.” Adapted from Ref. [465].