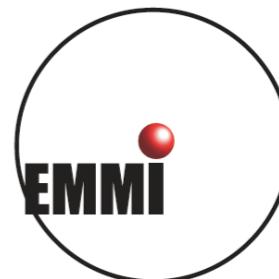


The QCD phase diagram with RG methods

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Outline

- QCD phase diagram
- Quark confinement & chiral symmetry breaking
- Chiral phase structure at finite density
- Summary and outlook

QCD phase diagram

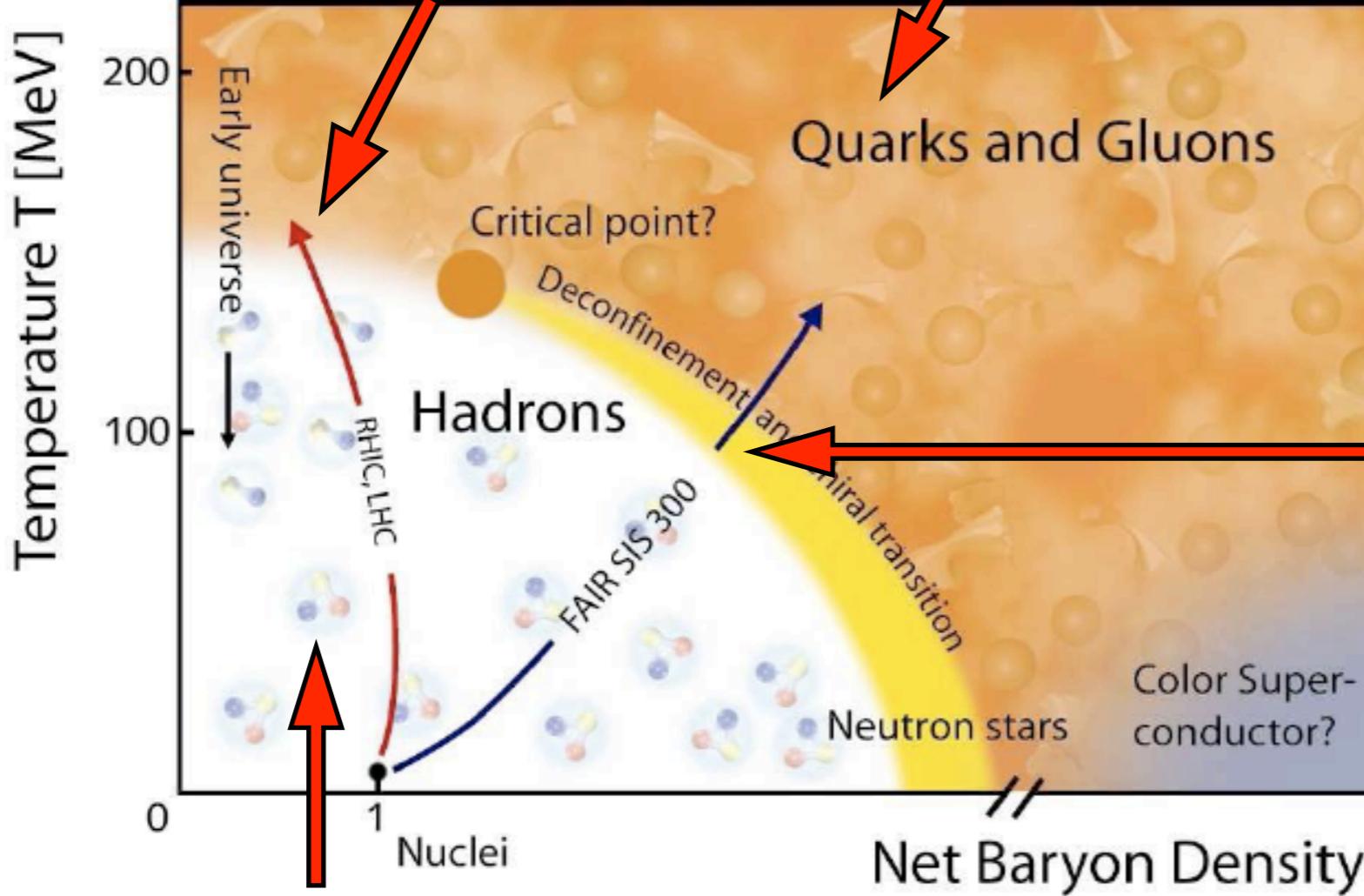
Phase diagram of QCD

Strongly correlated quark-gluon-plasma

'RHIC serves the perfect fluid'

massless quarks (chiral symmetry)

deconfinement



hadronic phase

confinement & chiral symmetry breaking

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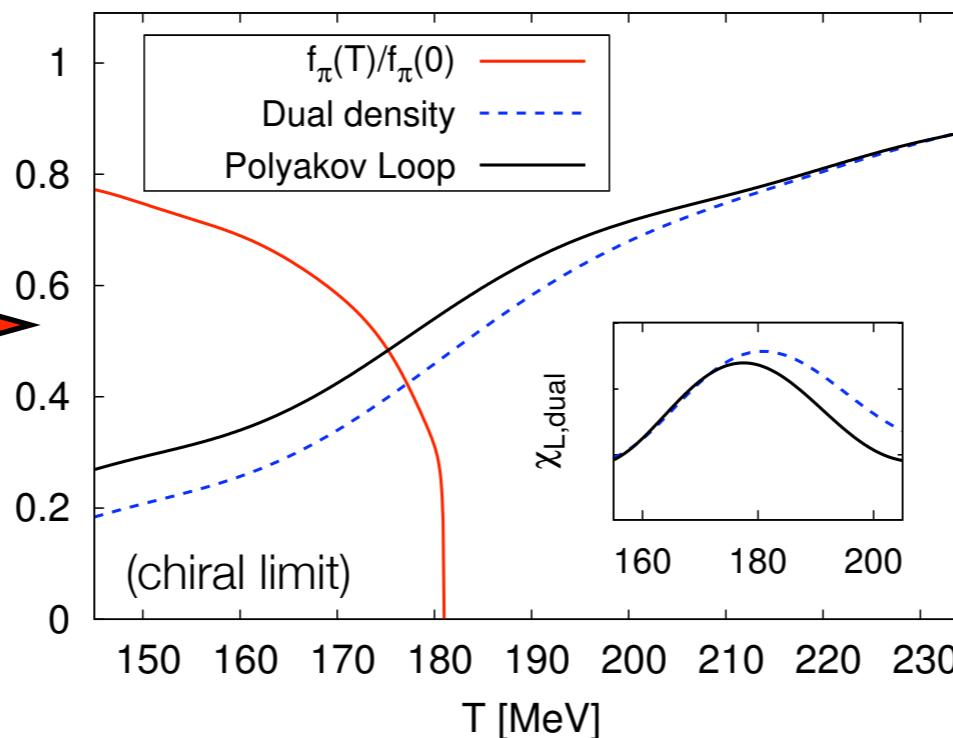
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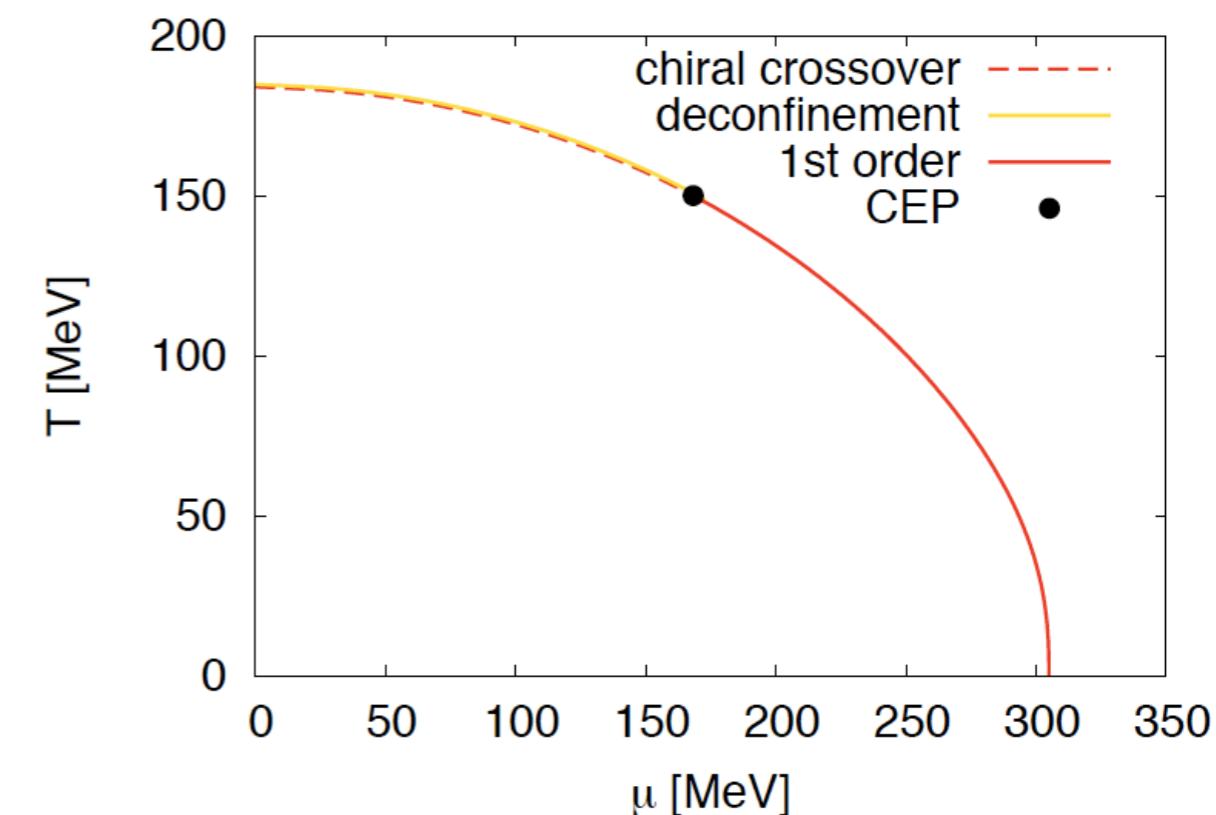
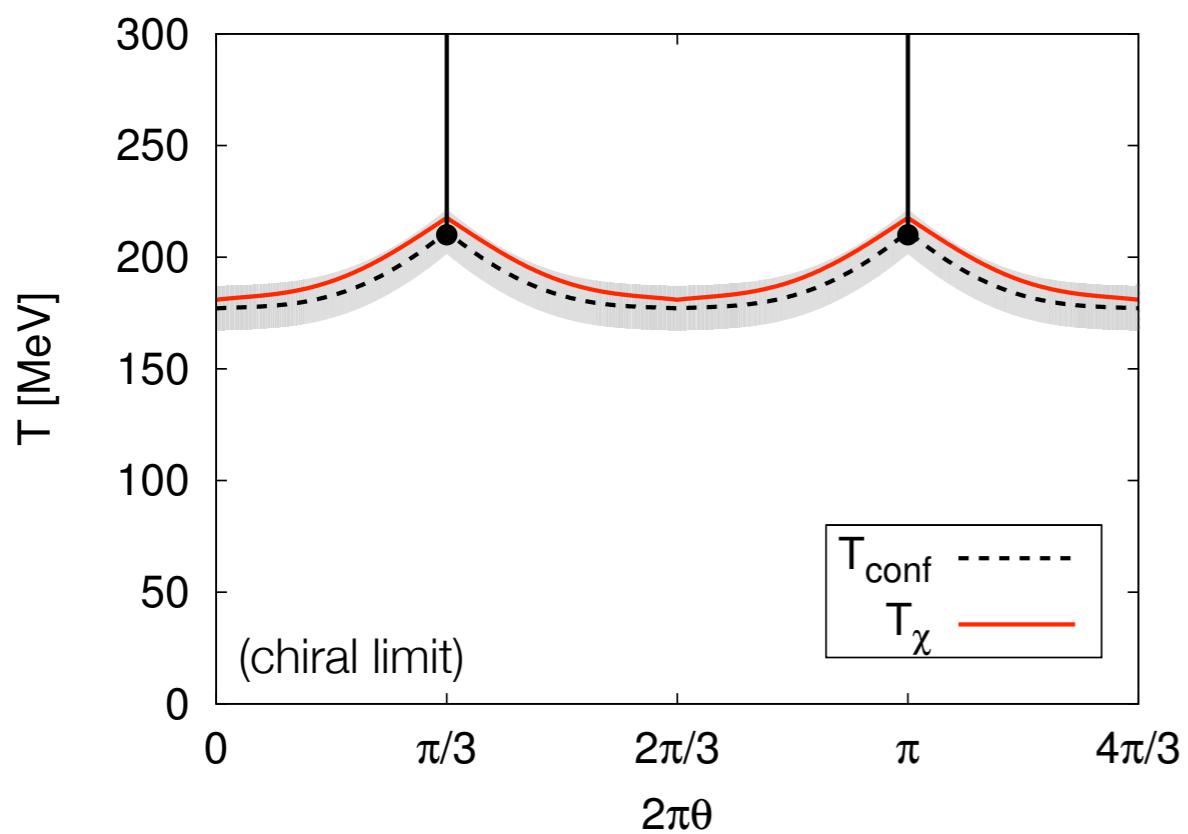
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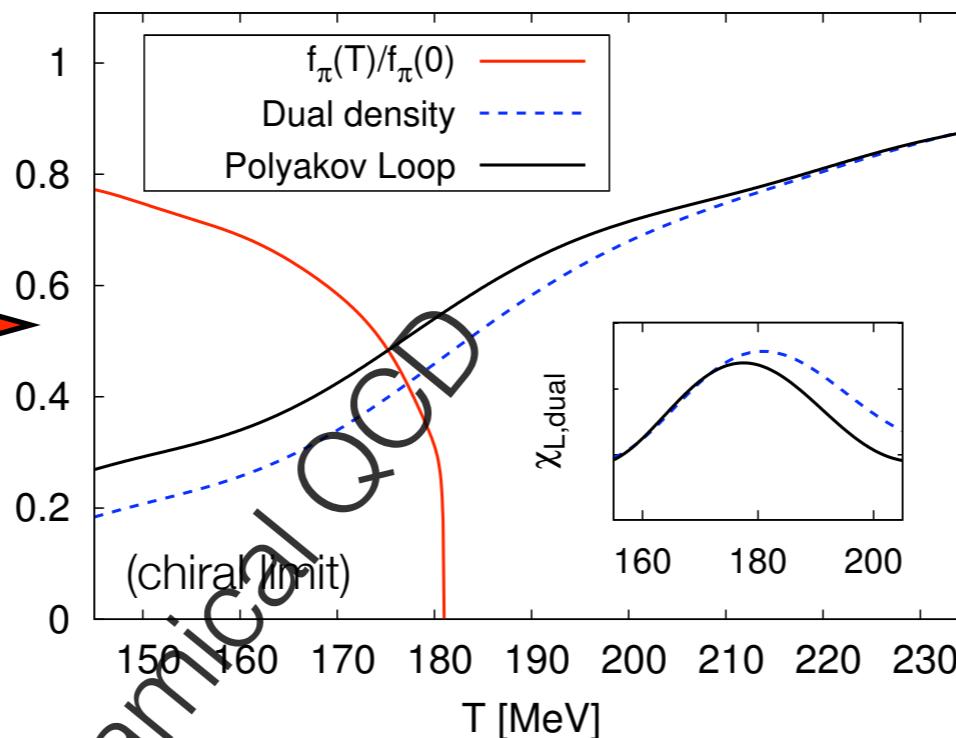


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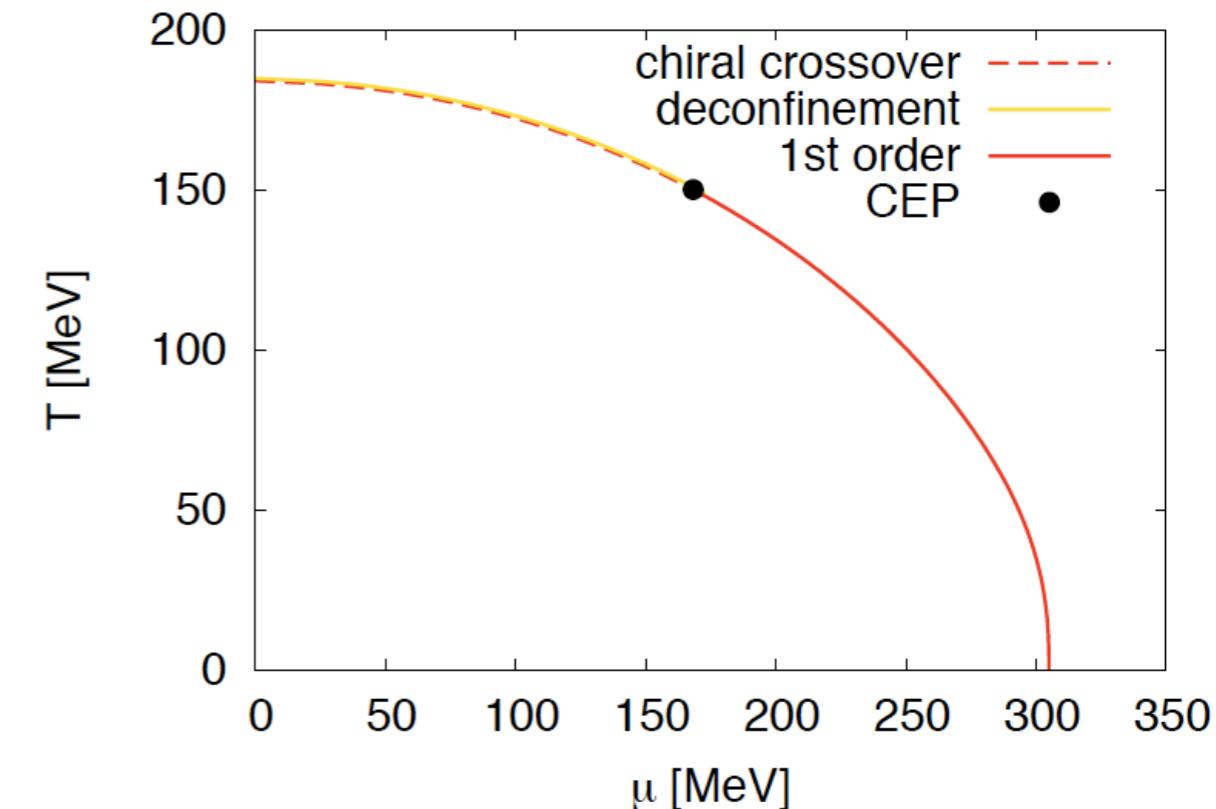
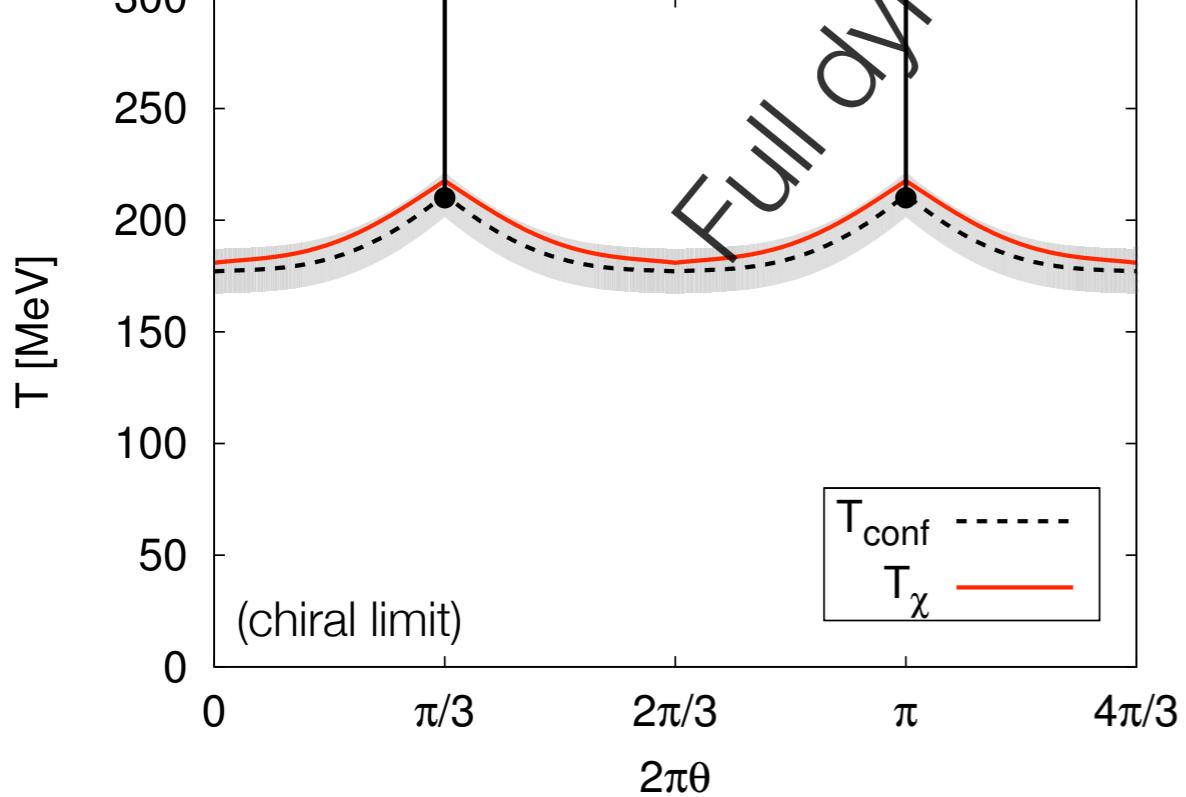
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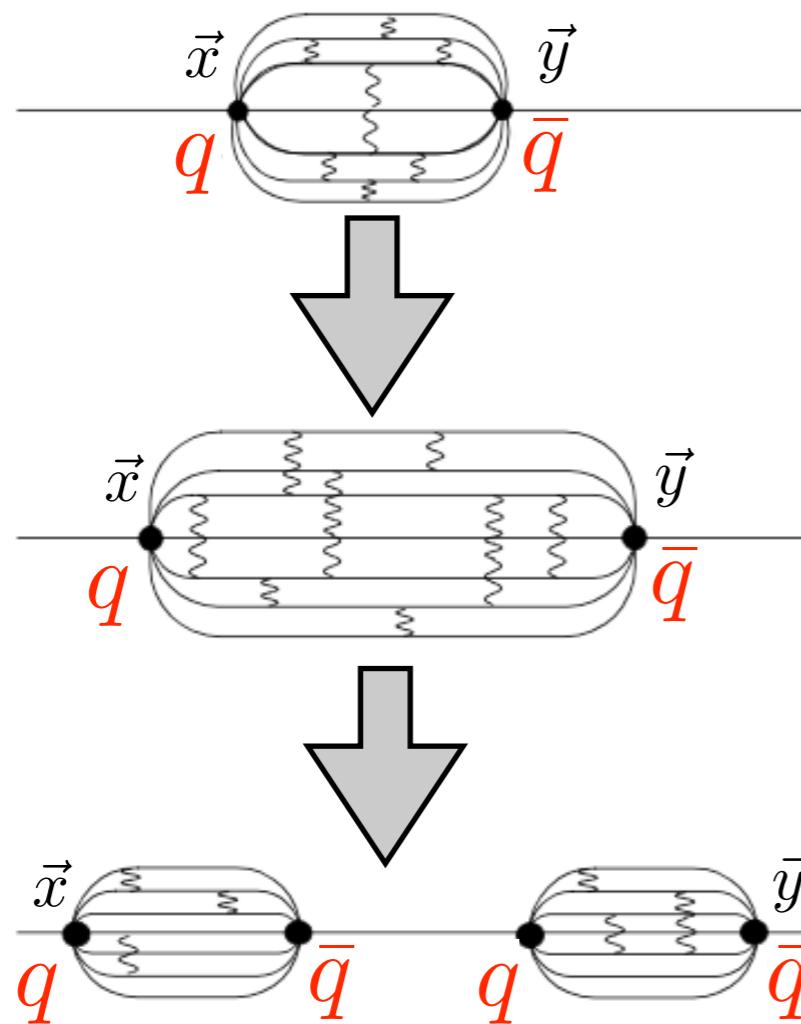
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Quark confinement & chiral symmetry breaking

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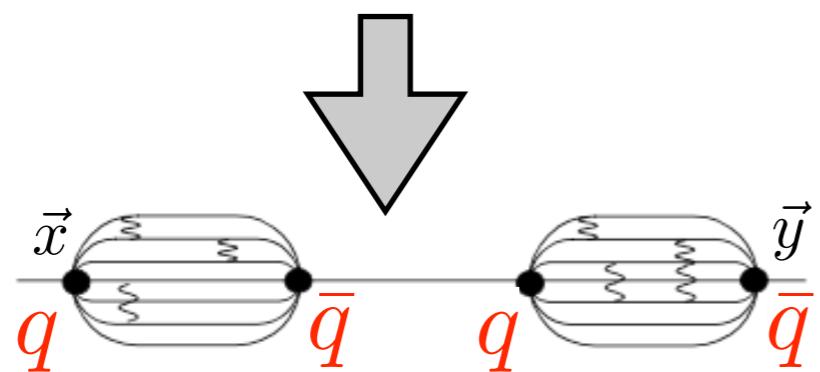
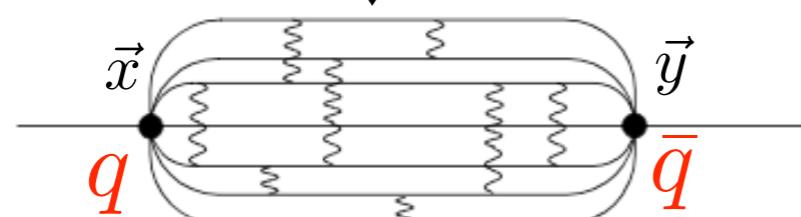
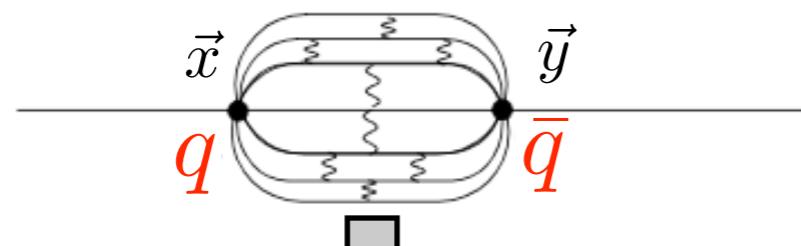
- Confinement: $\Phi = 0$
- Deconfinement: $\Phi \neq 0$

Φ Polyakov loop

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{3} \langle \text{Tr } \mathcal{P} \exp \left\{ ig \int_0^{1/T} dx_0 A_0 \right\} \rangle$$

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string breaking at $r \approx 1.1 fm$

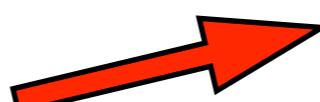
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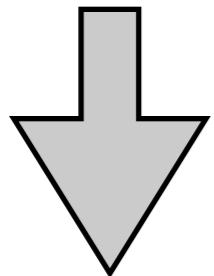
- Z_3 - symmetry: $q \rightarrow zq$
- broken by dynamical quarks



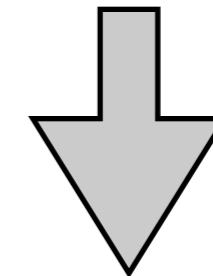
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chiral symmetry

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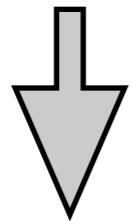
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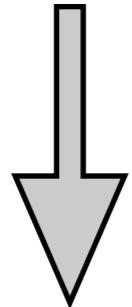


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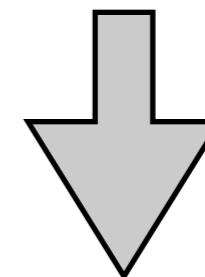
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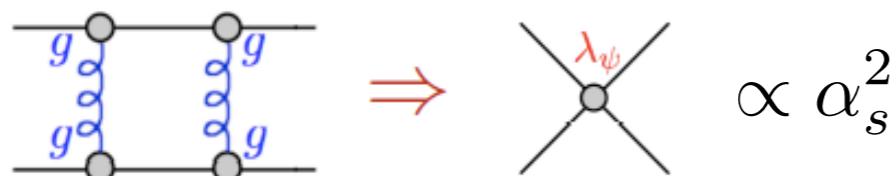
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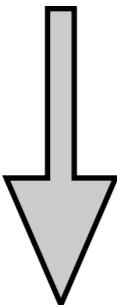
$$\sigma = \langle \bar{q}q \rangle$$

chiral condensate

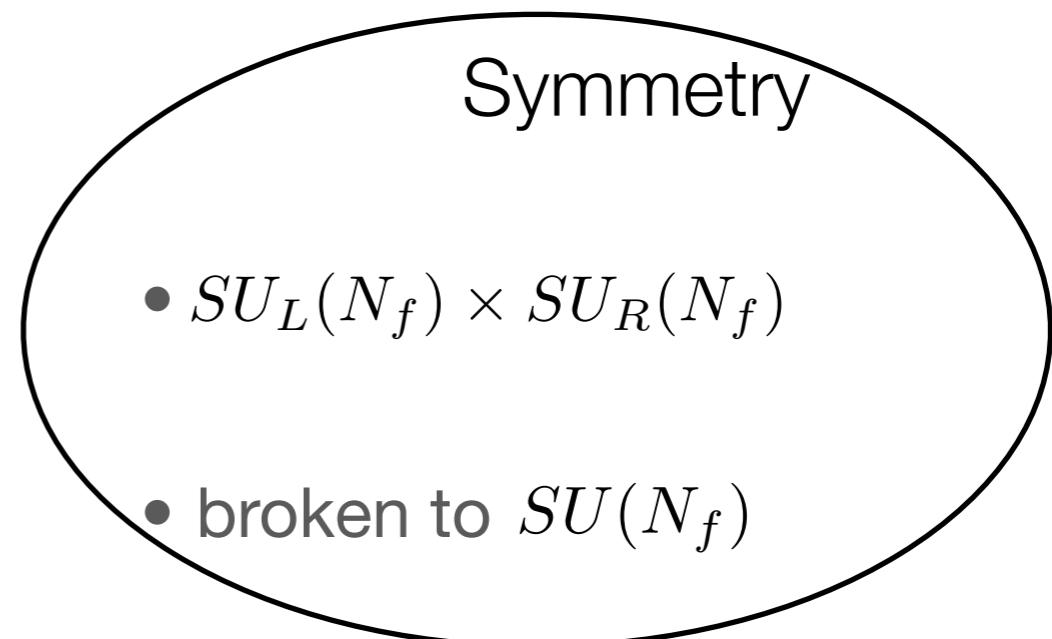
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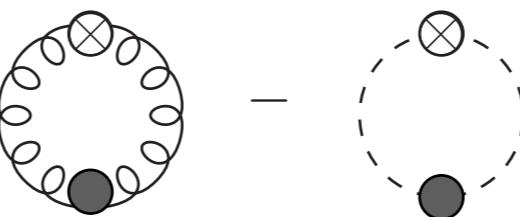
Functional RG

- Introduction to Functional RG flows & some results in QCD (talks & lit)
 - Integrals from differential equations: The FRG-idea in 0+0-dimensions
 - Confinement & chiral symmetry breaking from Functional Methods
 - On the phase diagram of QCD
 - Aspects of the Functional RG

Functional RG

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$$\partial_t \Gamma_k[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left[\text{---} \right]$$
The diagram consists of two circles. The left circle is solid and has a cross symbol at its top. The right circle is dashed and also has a cross symbol at its top. A horizontal line with a minus sign between them represents the trace operation.

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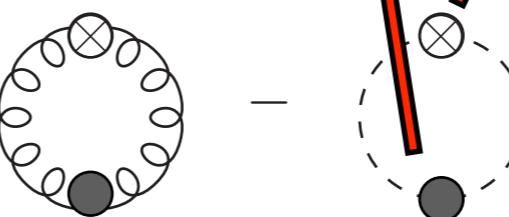
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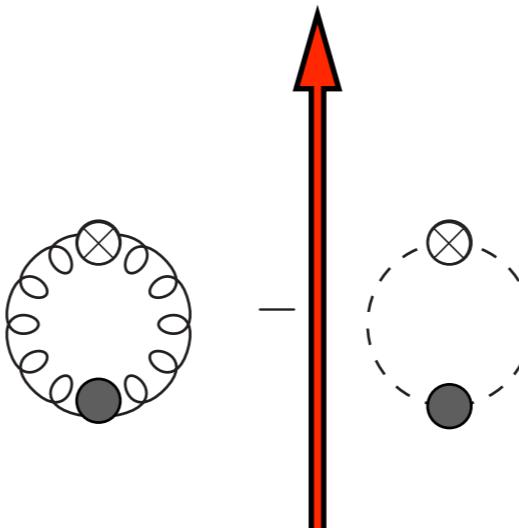
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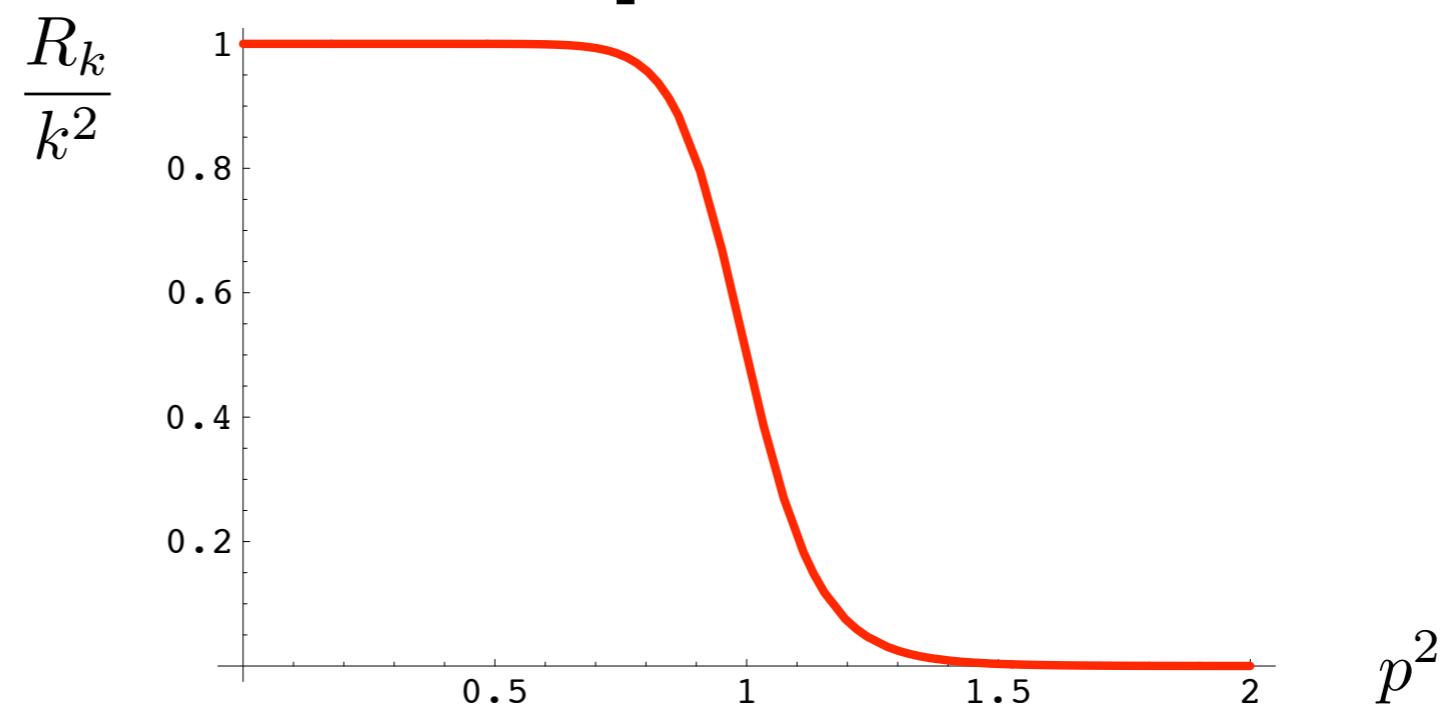
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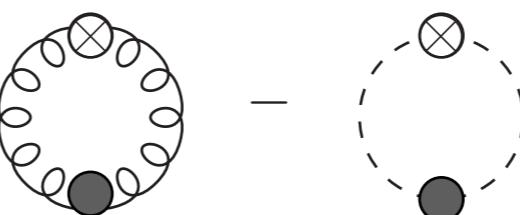
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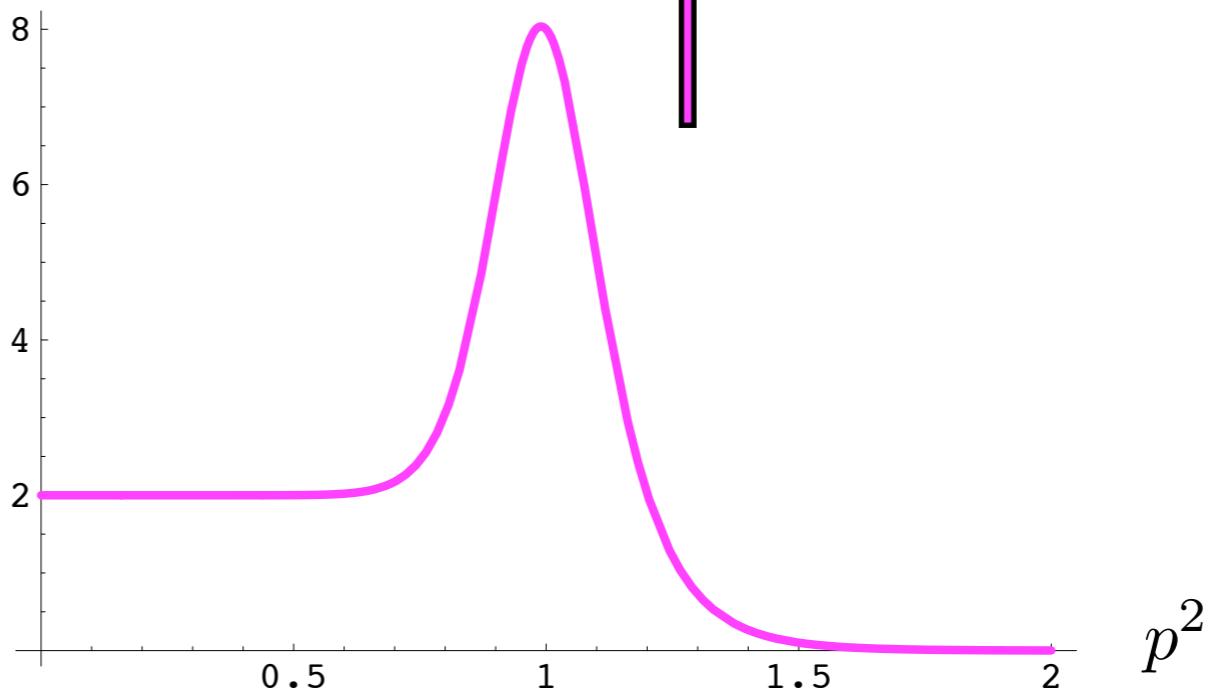
$$k\partial_k \Gamma_k[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \frac{1}{\Gamma_k^{(2)}[\phi] + R_k(p)} \quad k\partial_k R_k(p)$$

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$$\partial_t \Gamma_k[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$


- Flow **ultraviolet** finite

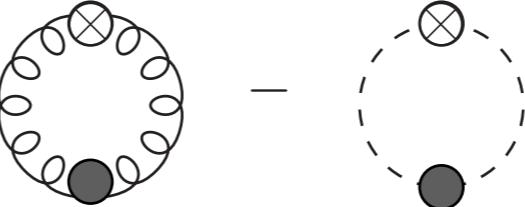
$$\frac{\partial_t R_k}{k^2}$$



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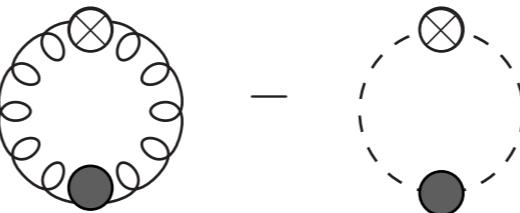
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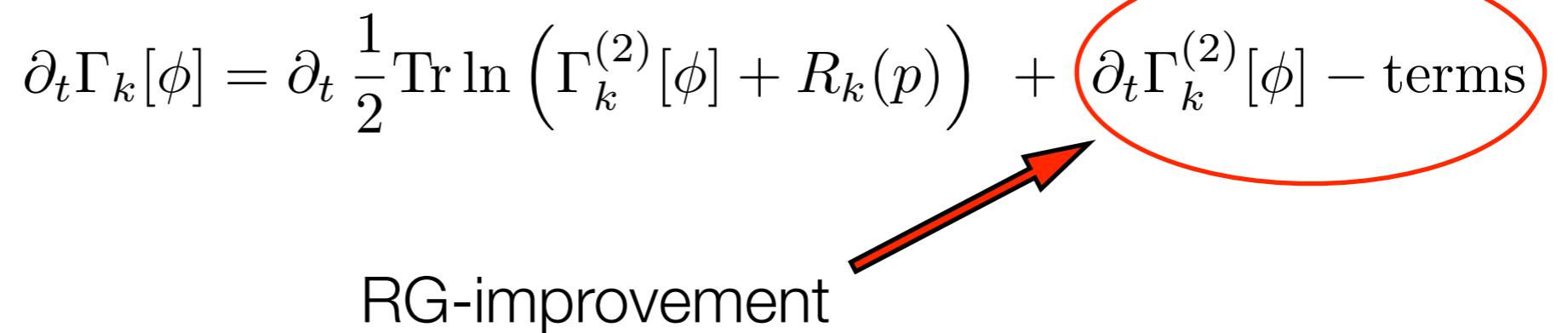
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RG-improvement

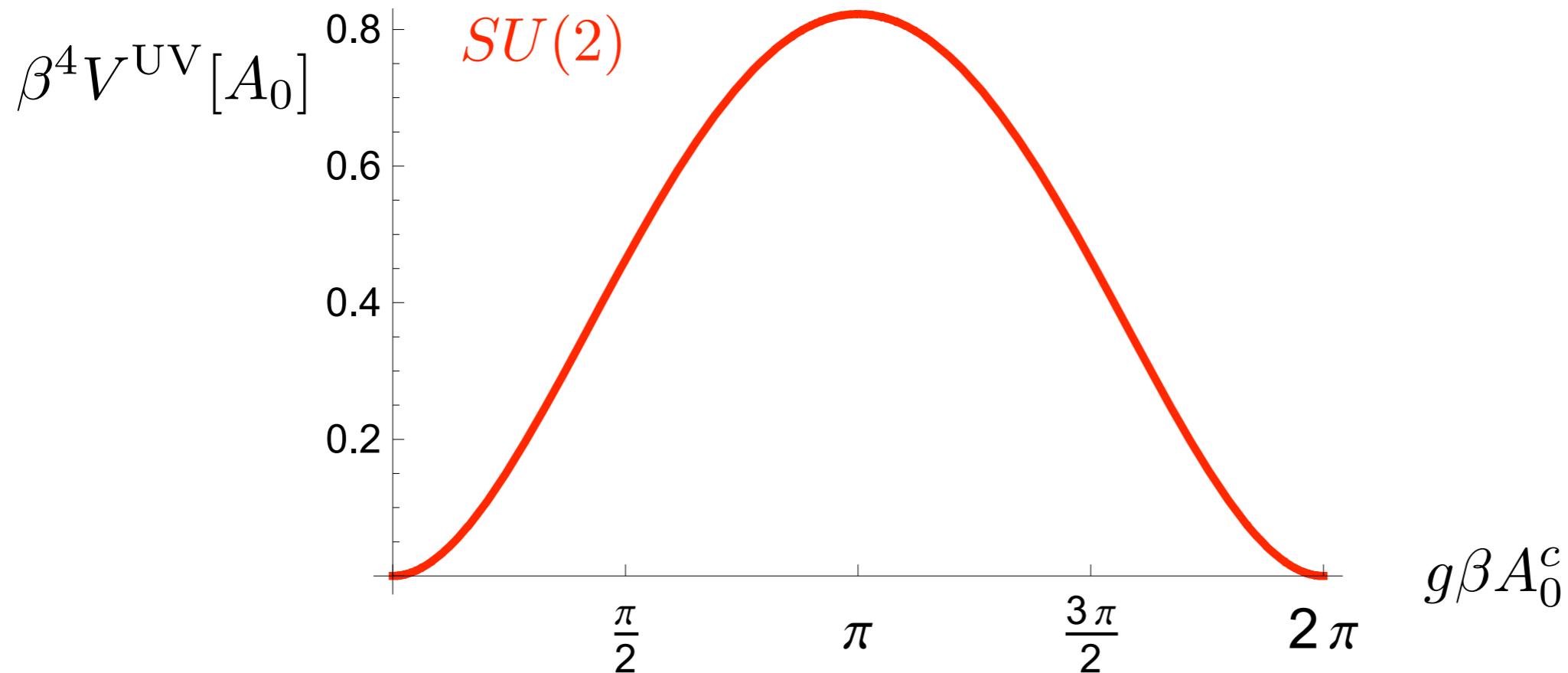


Confinement

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Perturbation theory

$$V^{\text{UV}}[A_0] = \frac{1}{2\Omega} \text{Tr} \ln S_{AA}^{(2)}[A_0] - \frac{1}{\Omega} \text{Tr} \ln S_{C\bar{C}}^{(2)}[A_0]$$



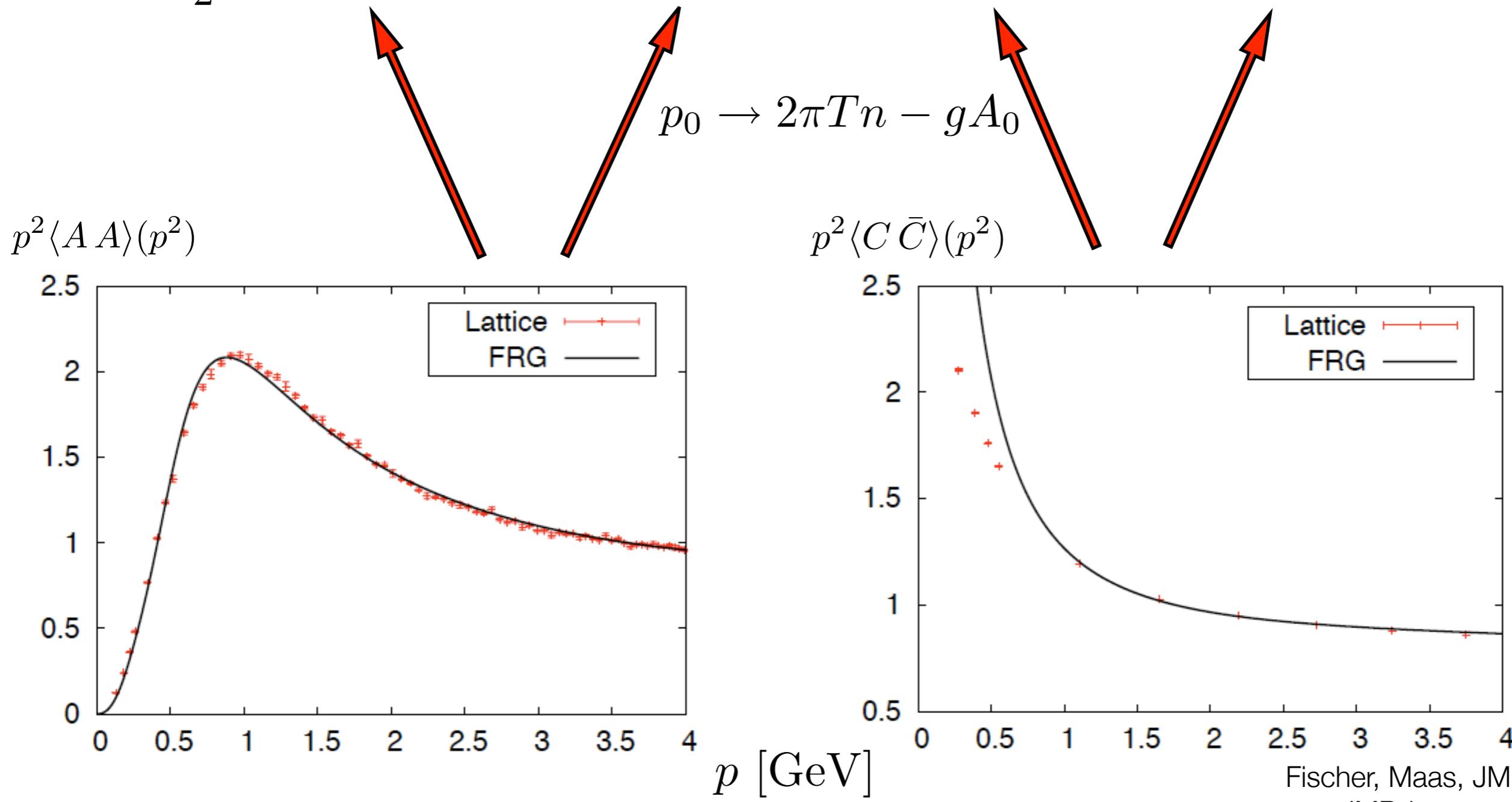
$$SU(2) : \Phi[A_0] = \cos \frac{1}{2}\beta g A_0^c \quad \text{with} \quad A_0 = A_0^c \frac{\sigma_3}{2}$$

Confinement

Continuum methods (Functional RG-flows)

Braun, Gies, JMP '07

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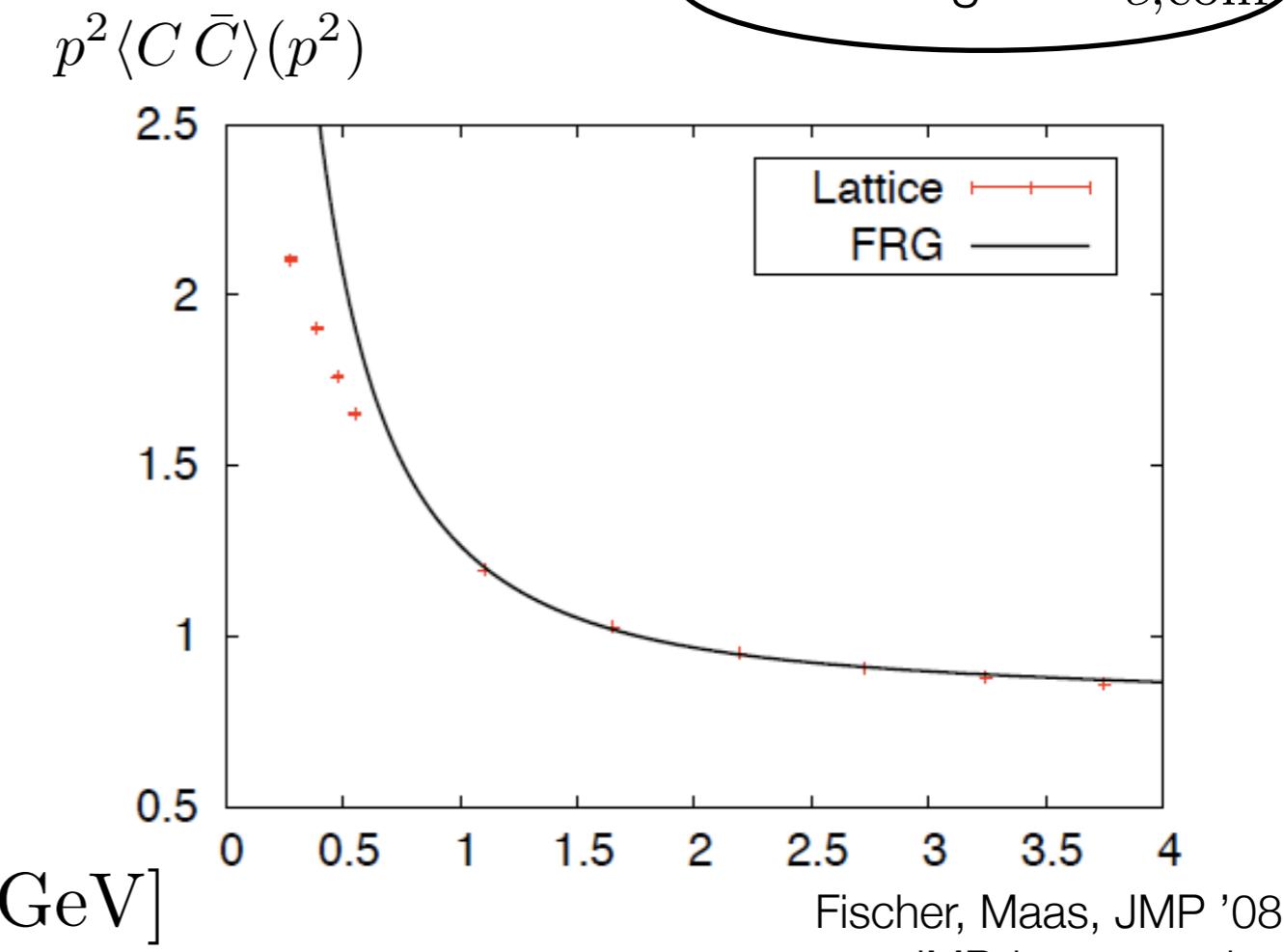
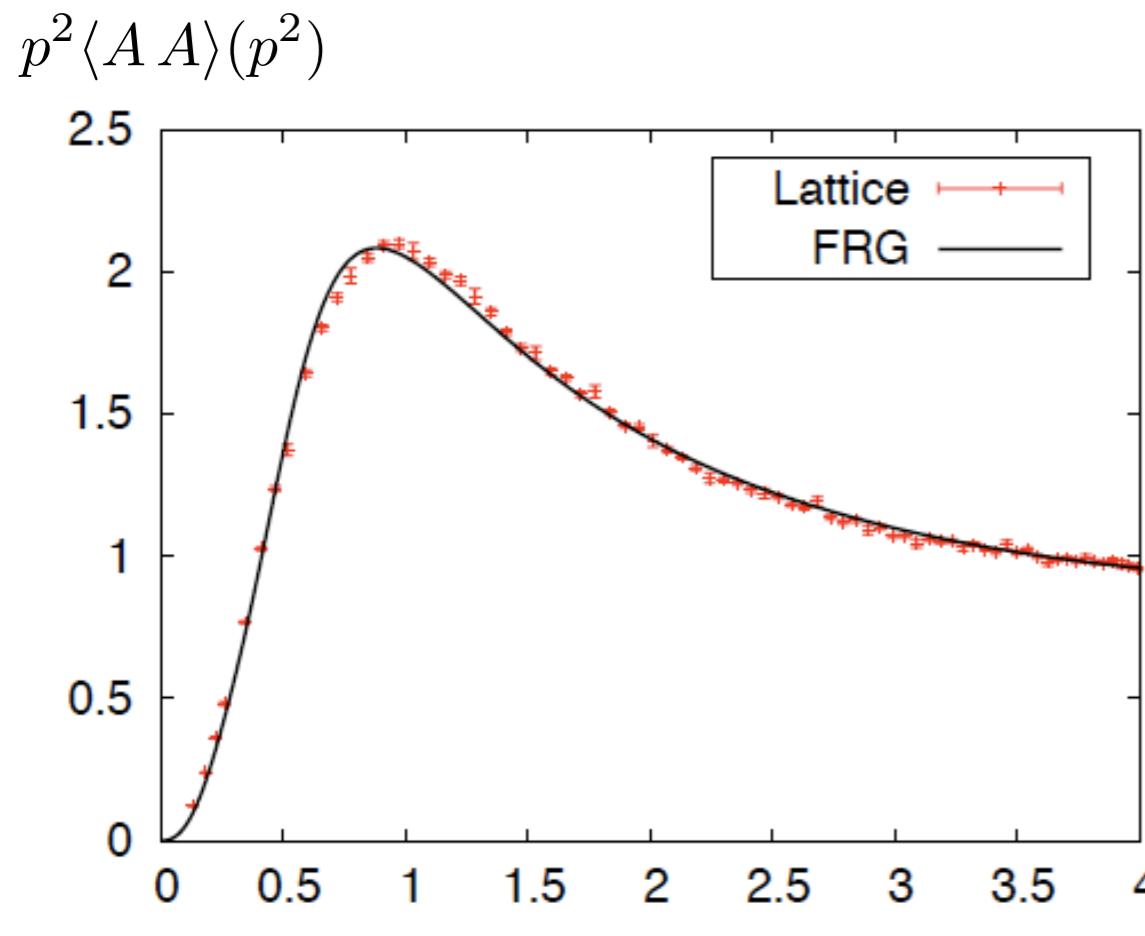
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‘Polyakov loop potential’



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- full momentum dependence of propagators
- vertices momentum-dependent RG-dressing
- functional optimisation JMP'05
- functional relations between diagrams: Flow=Flow(DSE)

$$\Rightarrow k\partial_k \langle A(p) A(-p) \rangle = \text{Flow}_A[\langle AA \rangle, \langle C\bar{C} \rangle]$$

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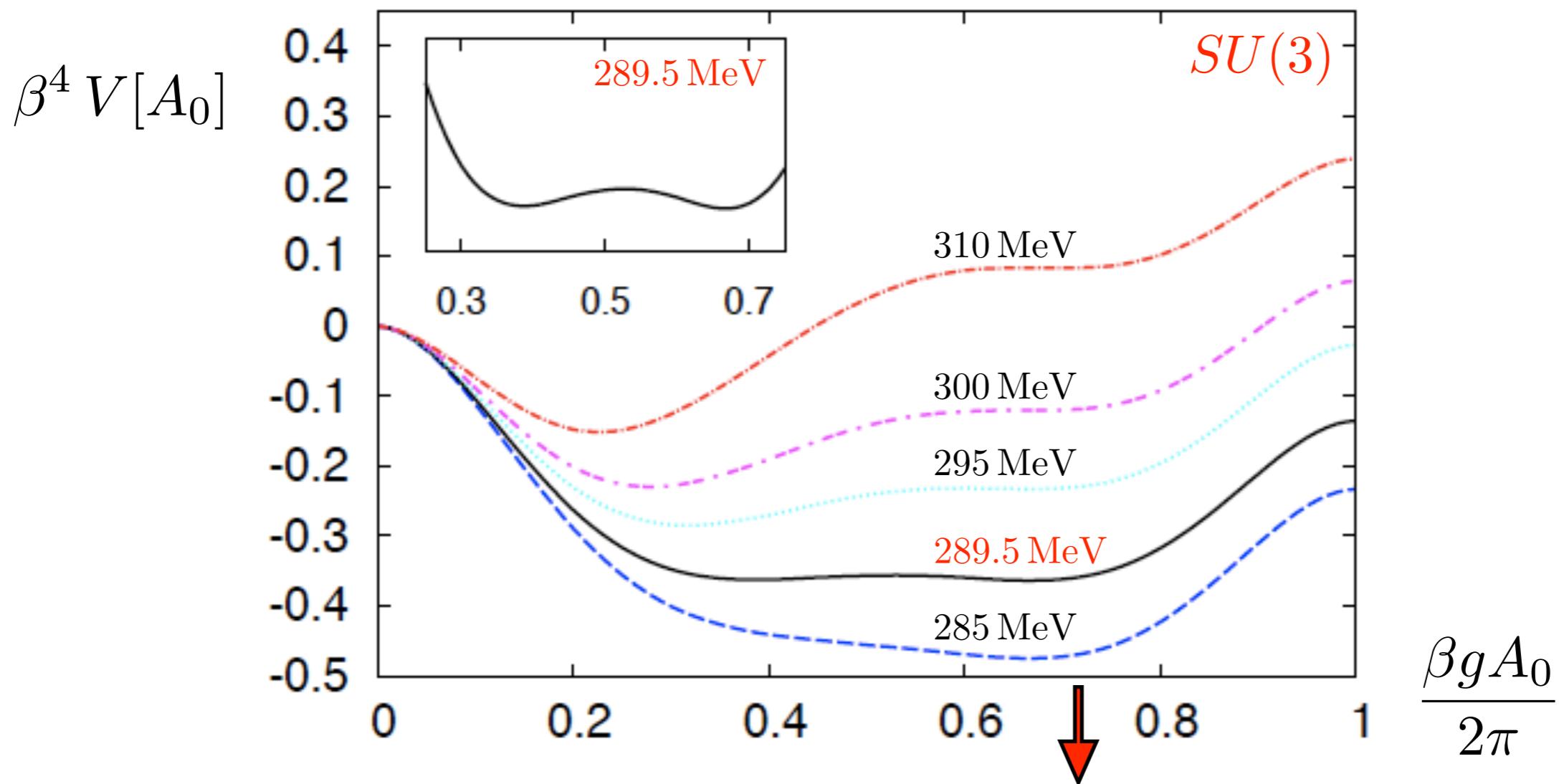
- scaling/decoupling via boundary conditions at $p^2 = 0$

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$$T_c/\sqrt{\sigma} = 0.658 \pm 0.023$$

lattice : $T_c/\sqrt{\sigma} = 0.646$



$$\Phi[A_0] = \frac{1}{3}(1 + 2 \cos \frac{1}{2}\beta g A_0) \xrightarrow{\text{red arrow}} \Phi[\frac{4}{3}\pi \frac{1}{\beta g}] = 0$$

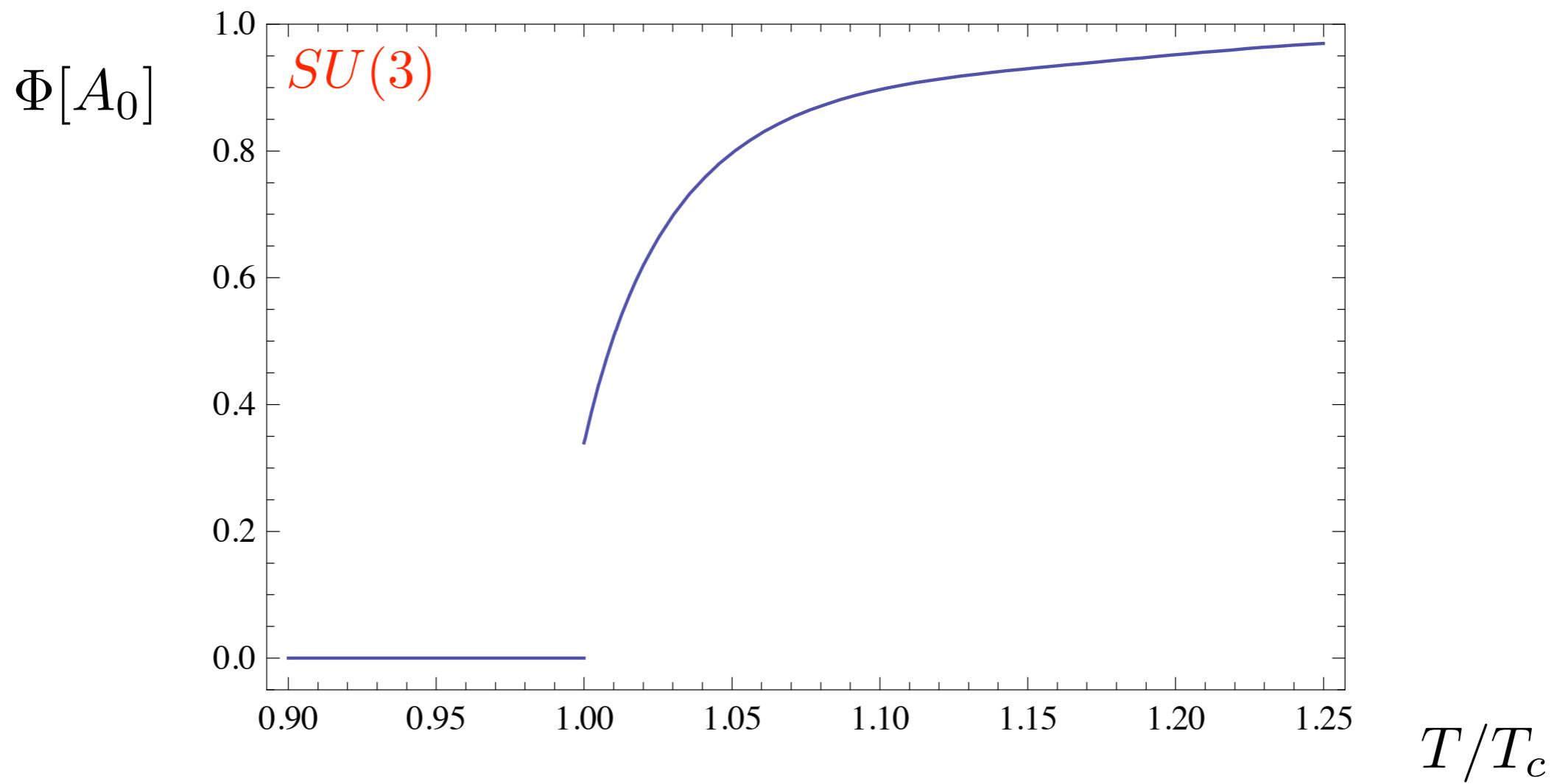
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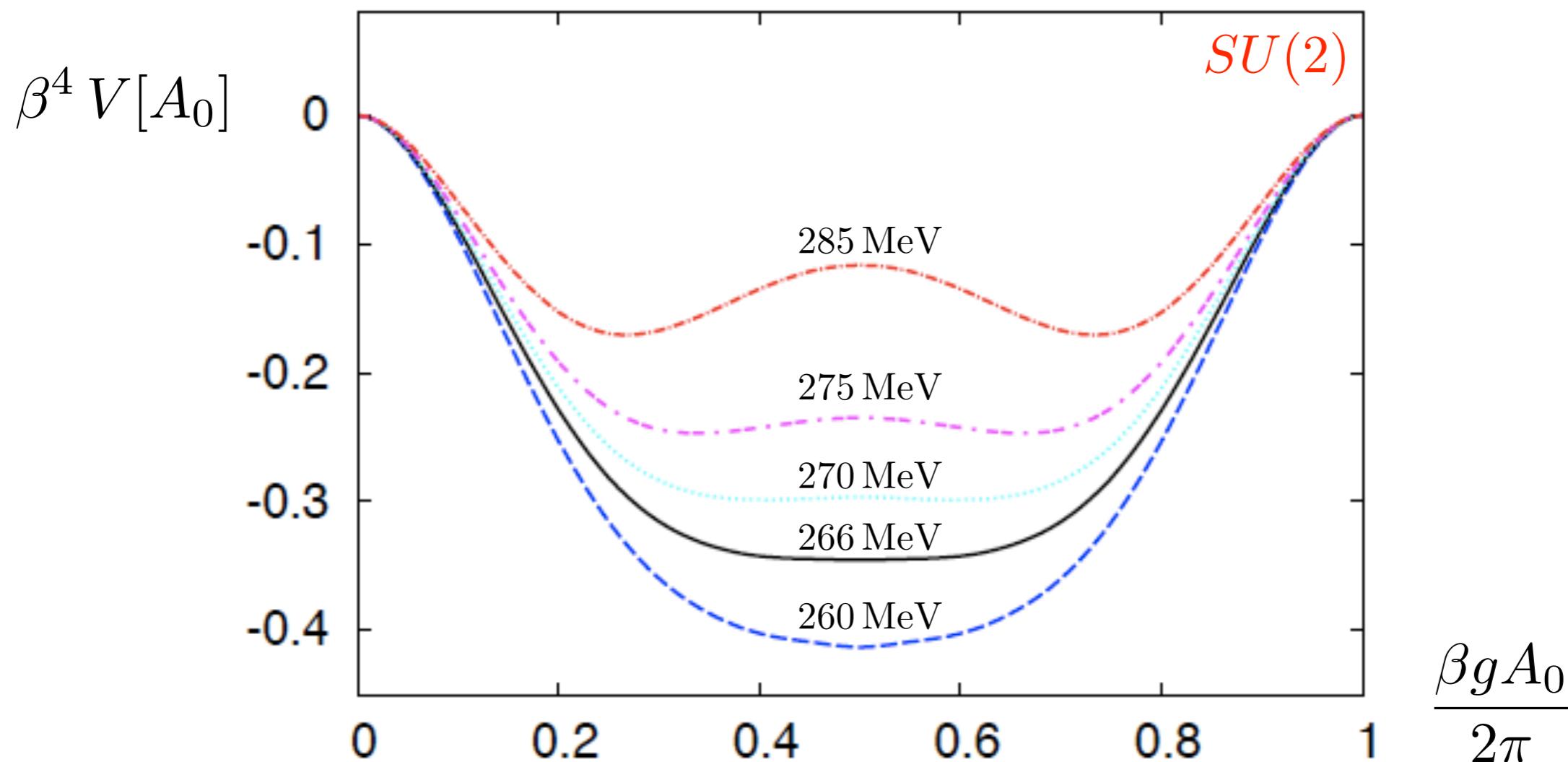
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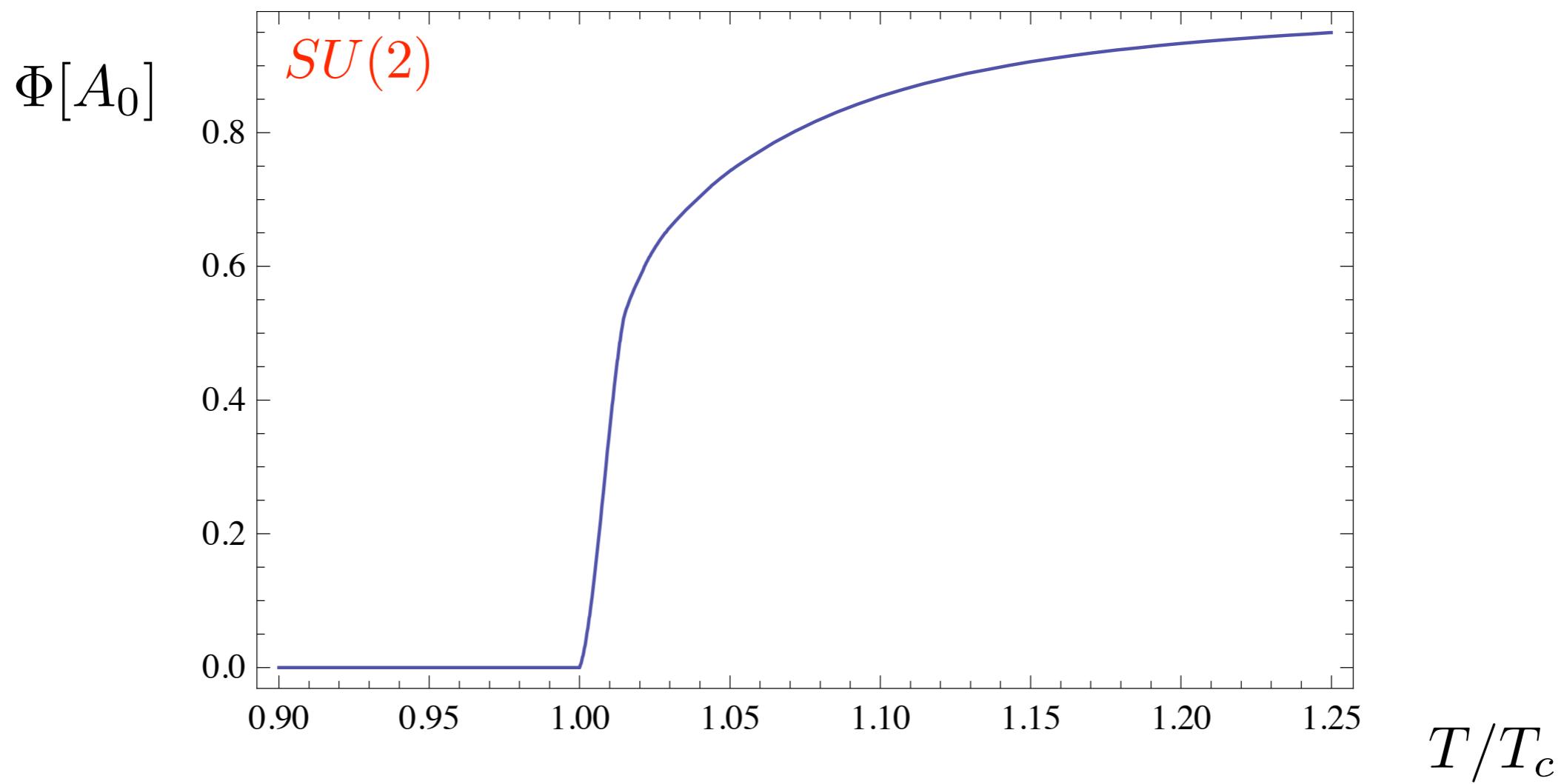
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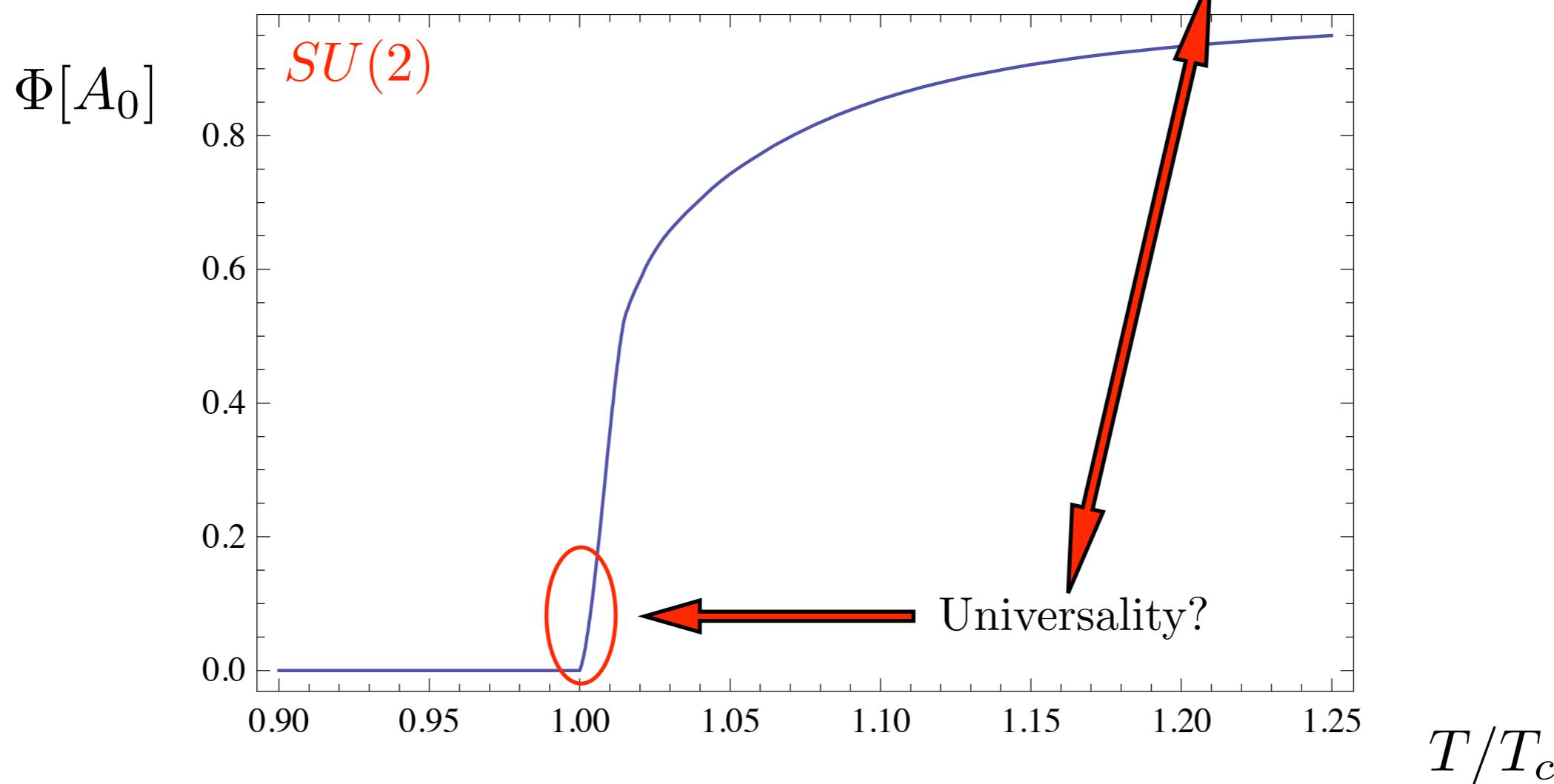
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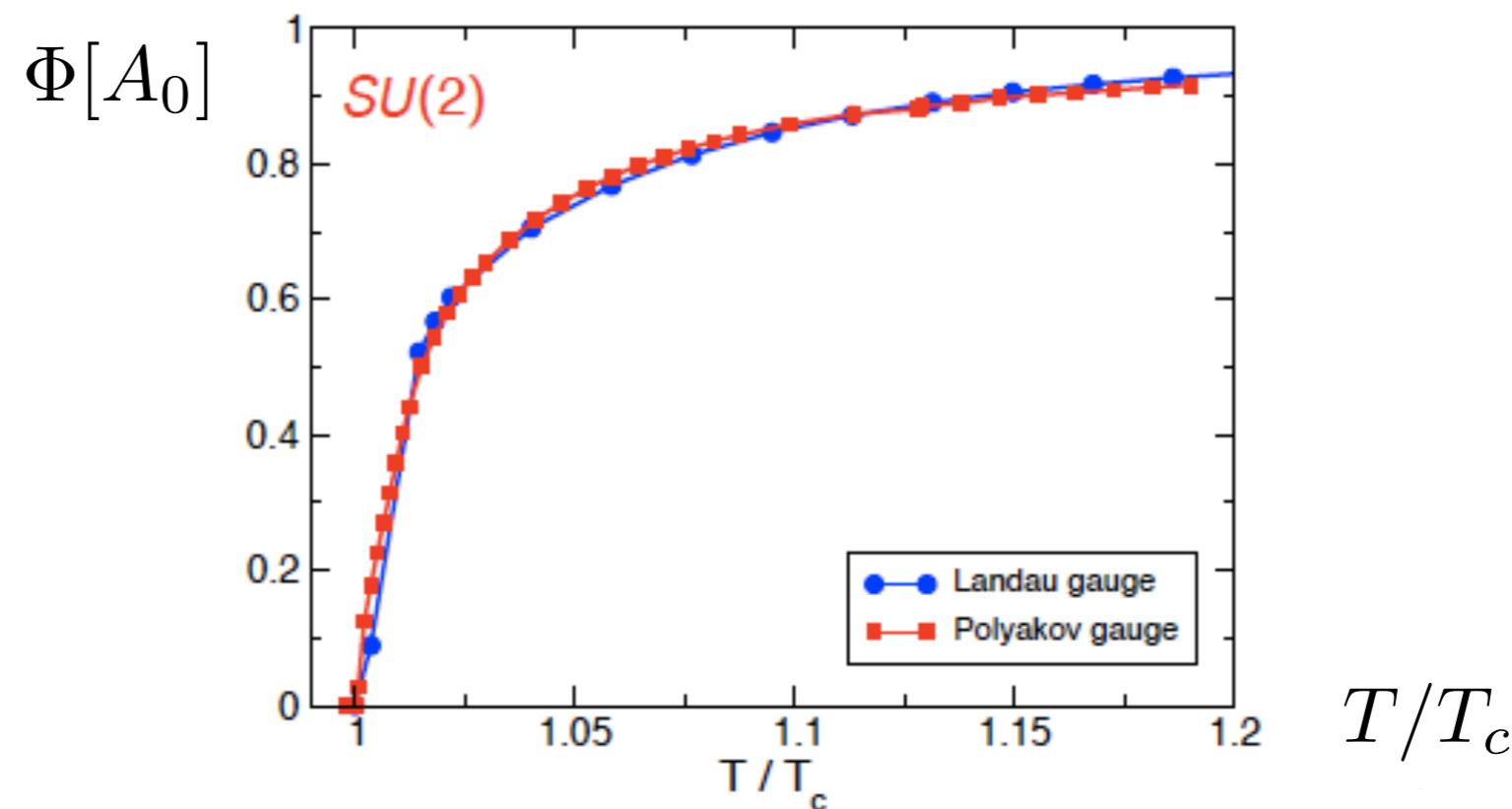
V'' - terms



Universal properties & gauge independence

Polyakov gauge: $A_0 = A_0^c(\vec{x})\sigma_3$

$$\text{RG-flow : } V[A_0] = - \int dt \text{ flow}[V''[A_0], \alpha_s]$$



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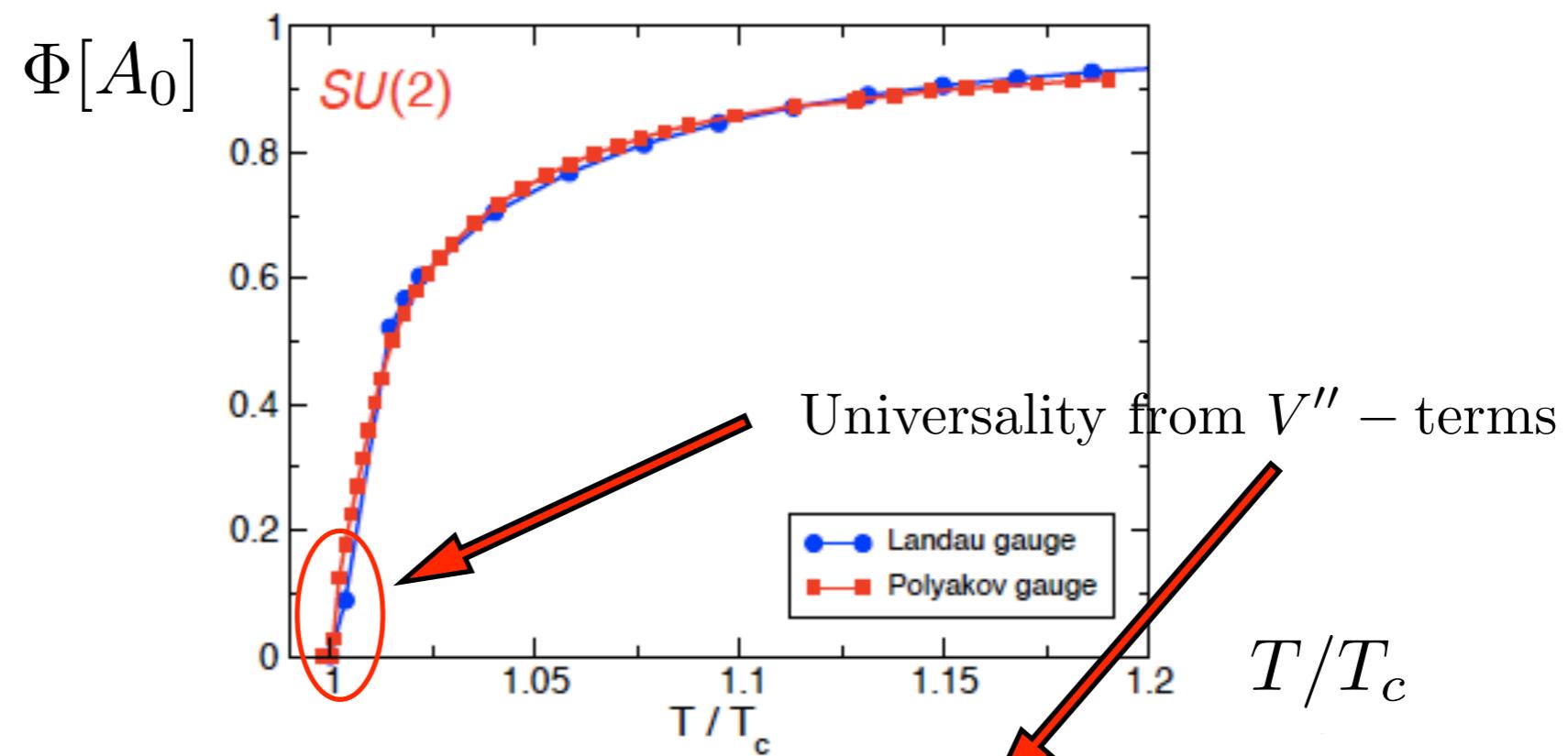
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JMP, Marhauser '08

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$$\text{RG-flow : } V[A_0] = - \int dt \text{ flow}[V''[A_0], \alpha_s]$$



- ——: Polyakov gauge: crit. exp. $\nu = 0.65$

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- ——: Landau gauge propagators

JMP, Marhauser '08

Phase structure at vanishing density

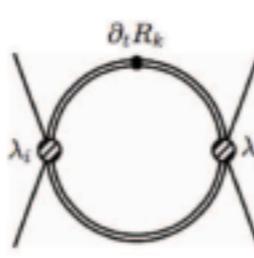
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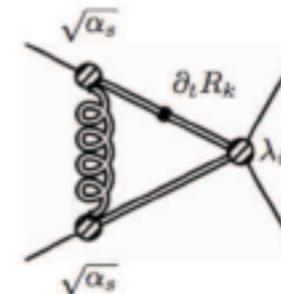
Flow of four-fermion coupling $\hat{\lambda}_\psi = \lambda_\psi k^2$ with infrared scale k

$$k \partial_k \hat{\lambda}_\psi = 2\hat{\lambda}_\psi - A\left(\frac{T}{k}\right) \hat{\lambda}_\psi^2 - B\left(\frac{T}{k}\right) \hat{\lambda}_\psi \alpha_s - C\left(\frac{T}{k}\right) \alpha_s^2$$

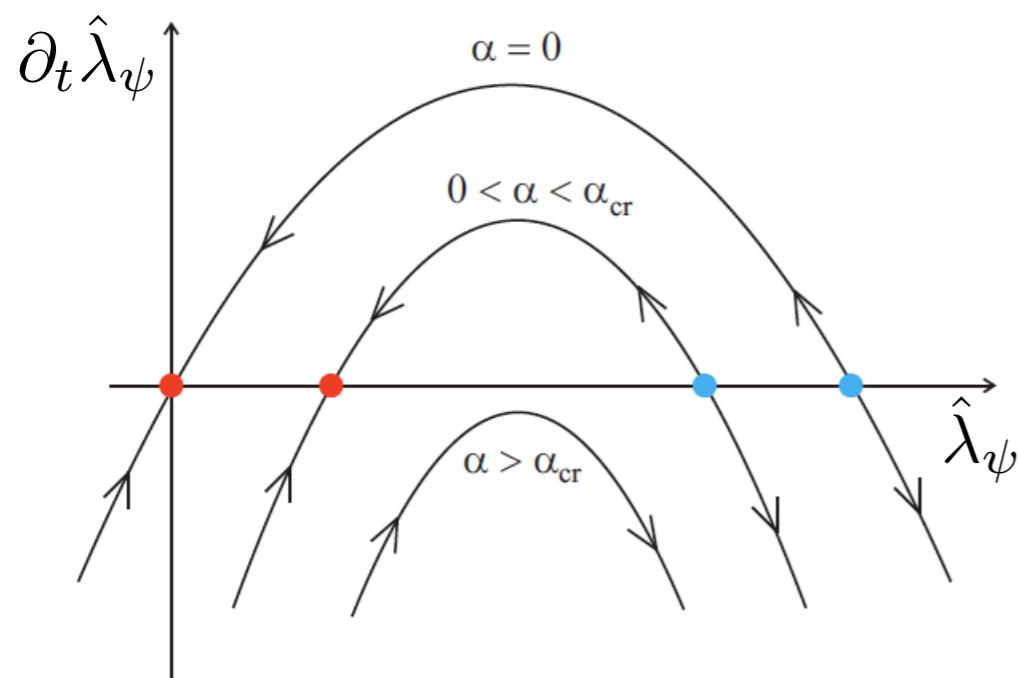
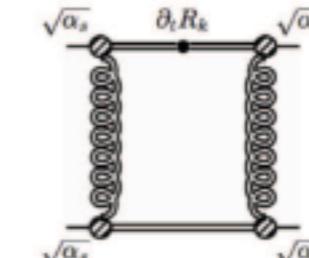
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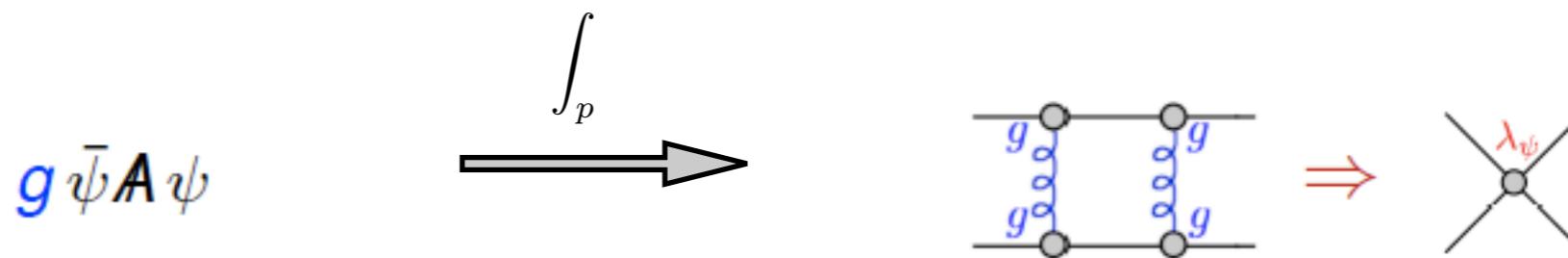


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$m^2 \propto \frac{1}{\lambda}$ $\alpha_s > \alpha_{s,crit}$: chiral symmetry breaking
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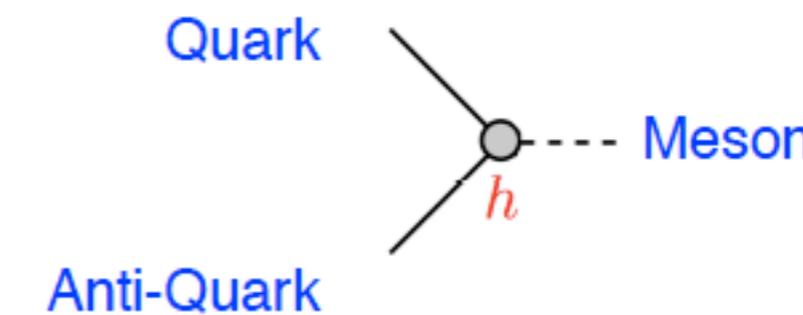
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Hubbard-Stratonovitch

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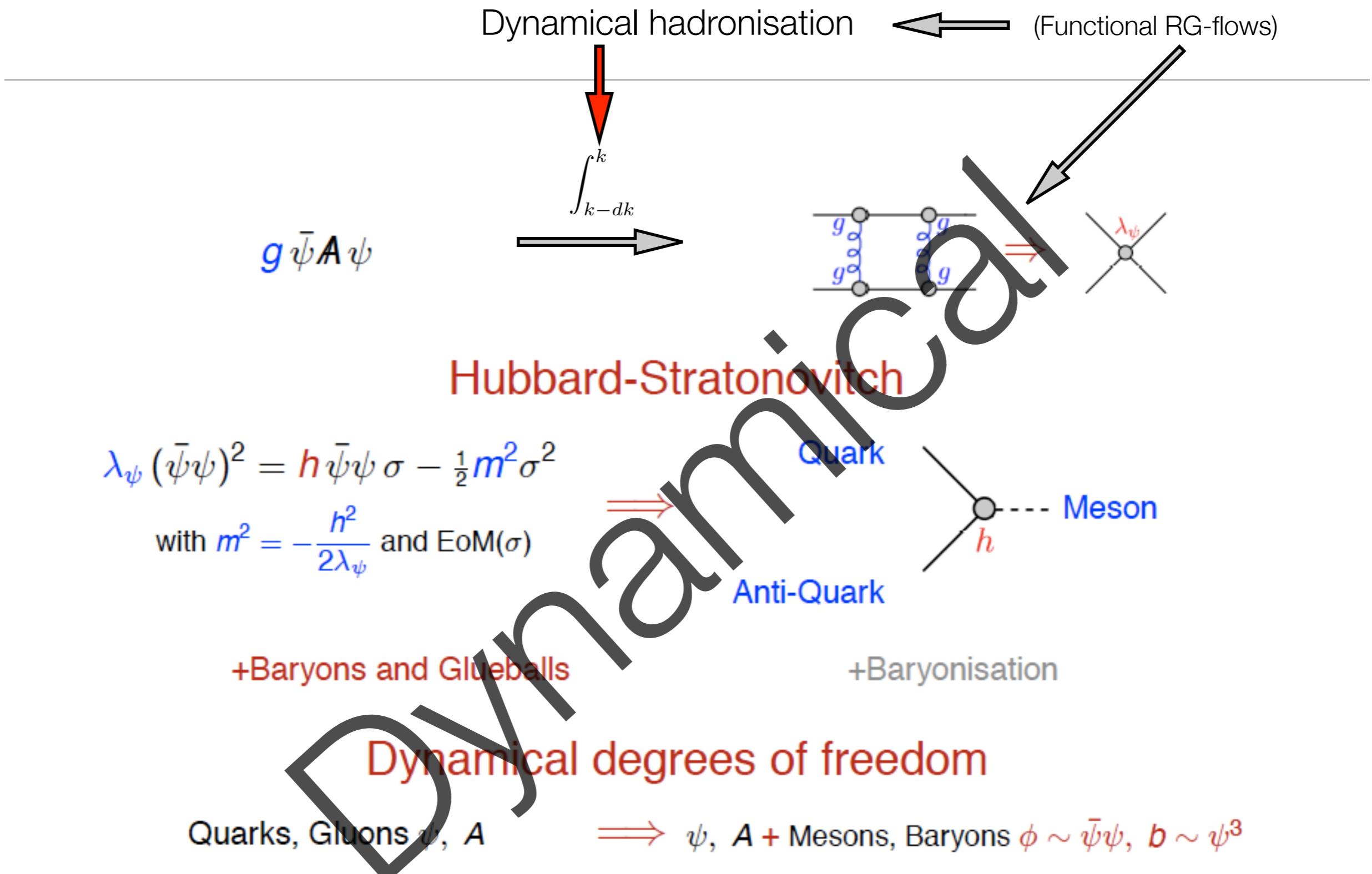
with $m^2 = -\frac{h^2}{2\lambda_\psi}$ and EoM(σ)



Dynamical degrees of freedom

$$\text{Quarks, Gluons } \psi, A \implies \psi, A + \text{Mesons, Baryons } \phi \sim \bar{\psi} \psi, b \sim \psi^3$$

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Gies, Wetterich '01

JMP '05

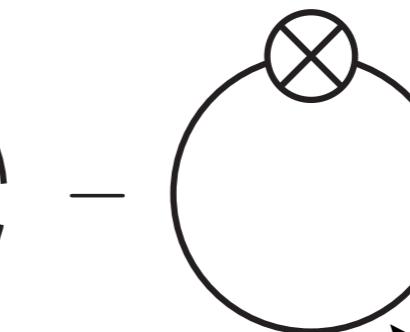
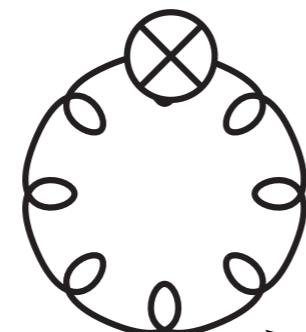
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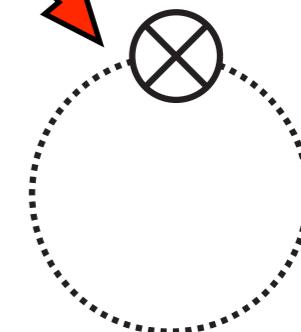
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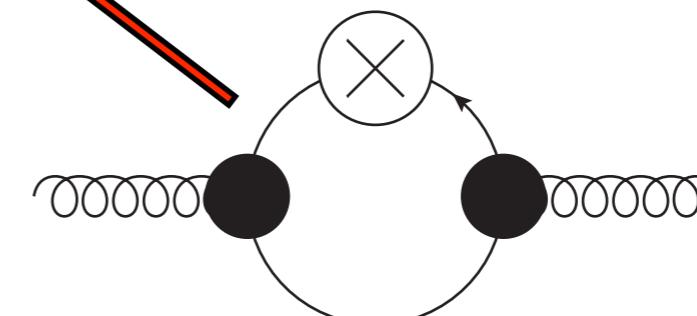
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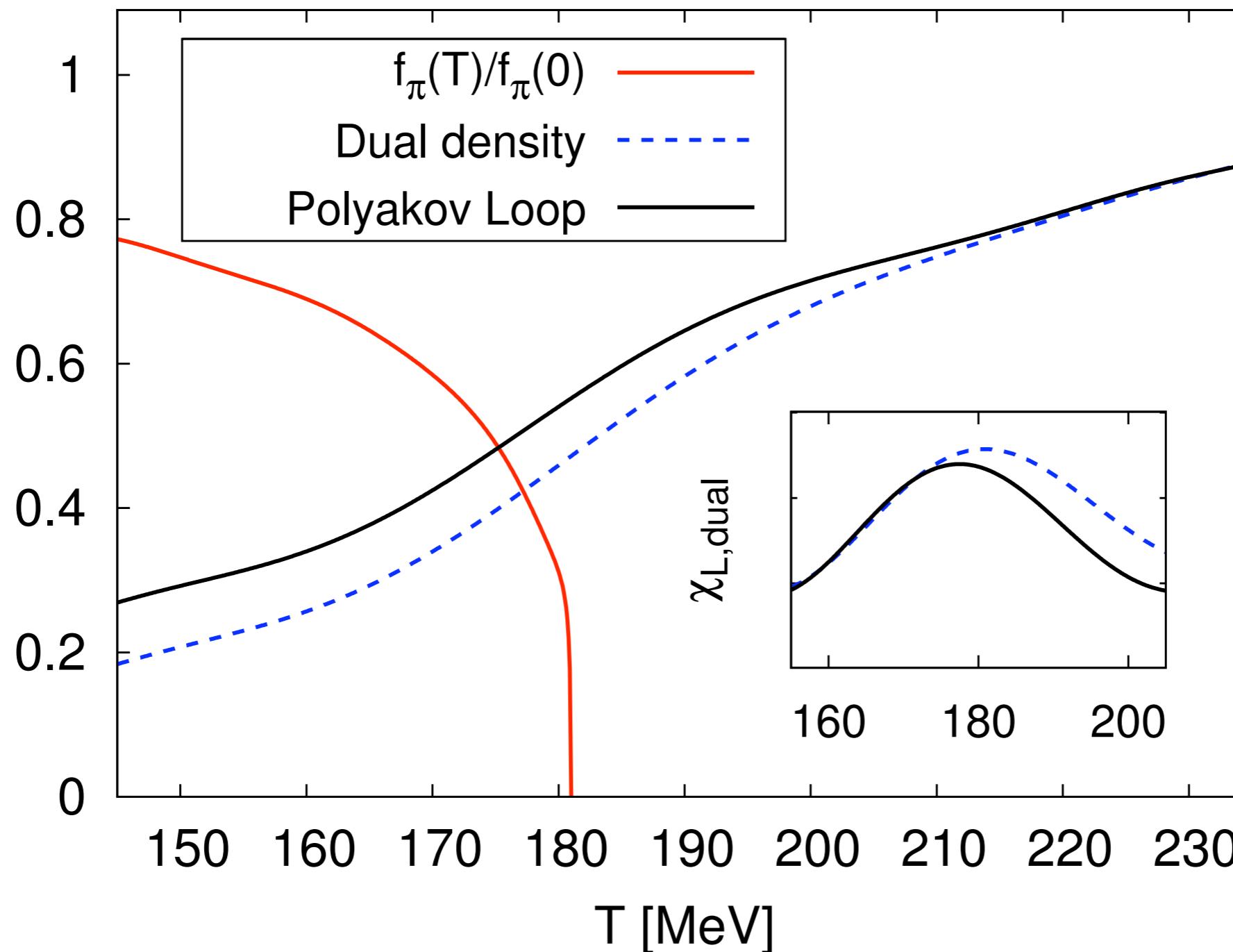


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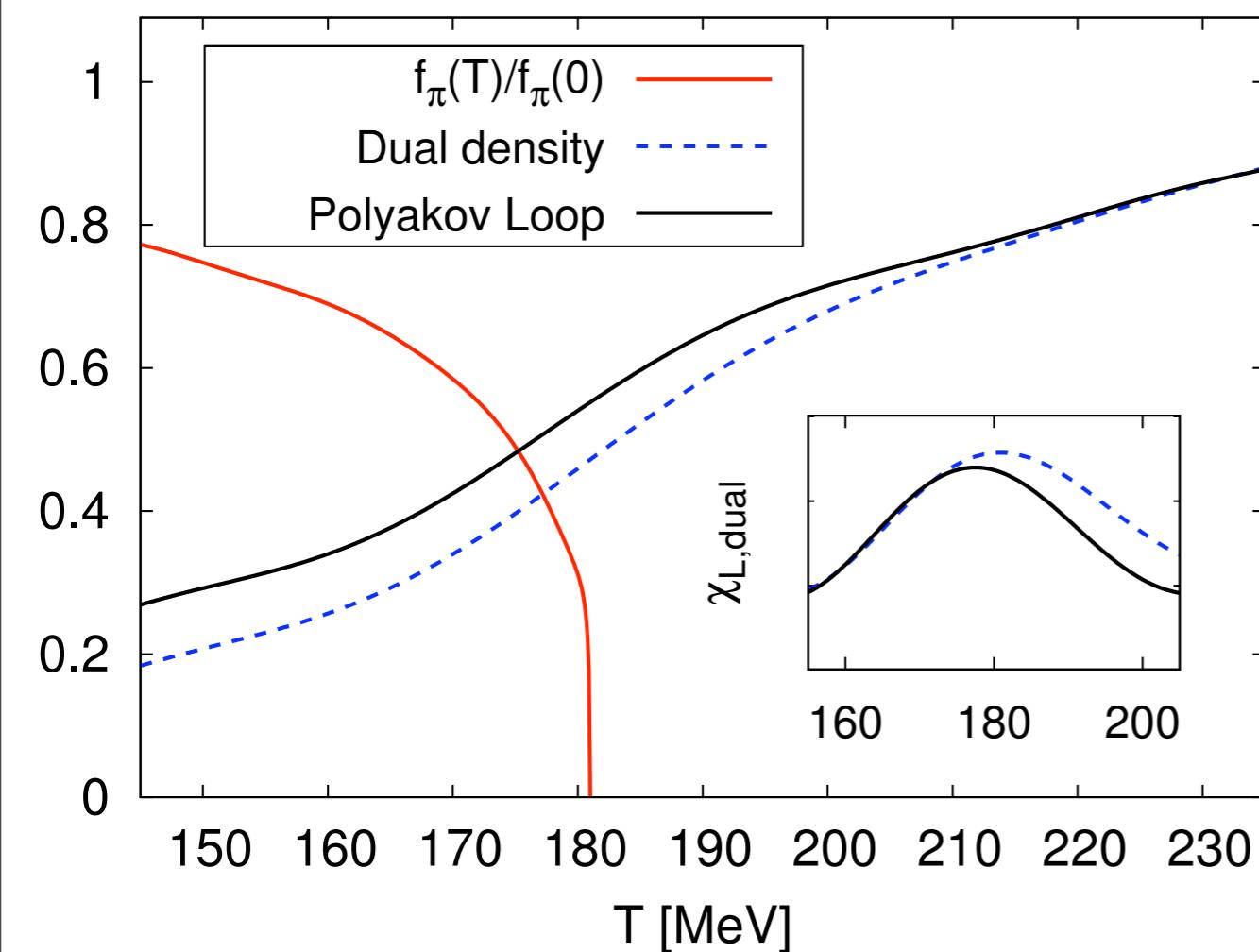
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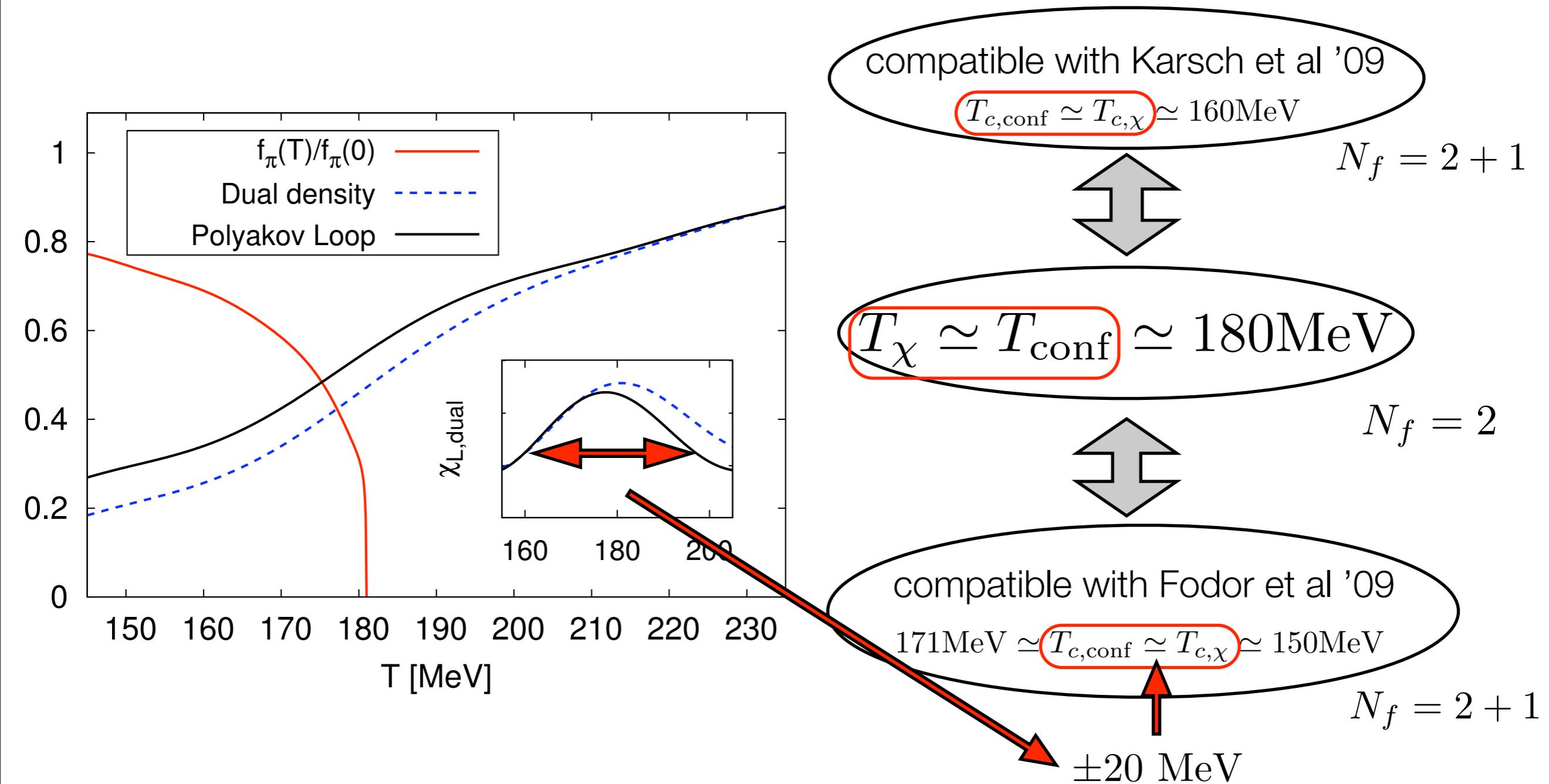
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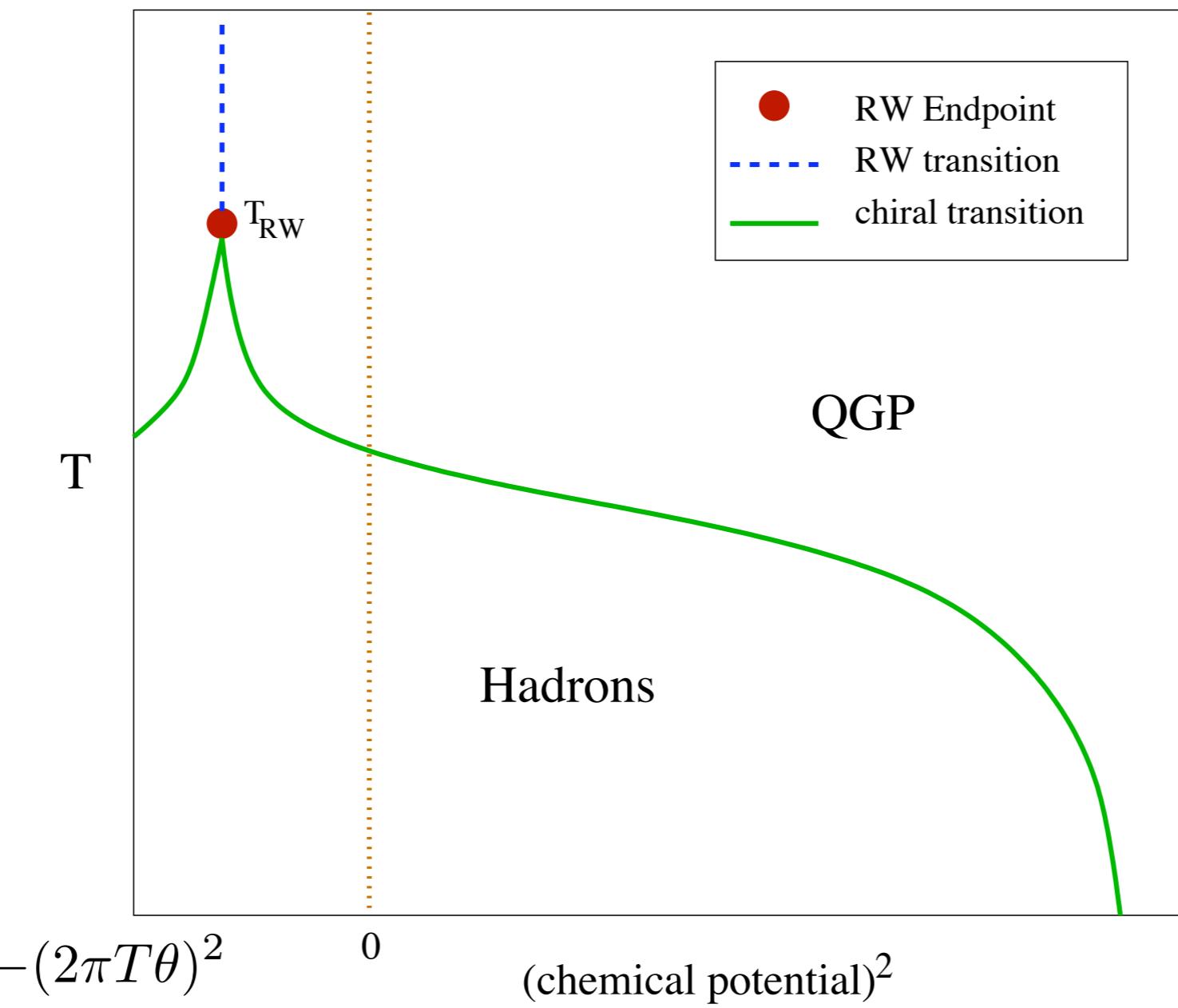
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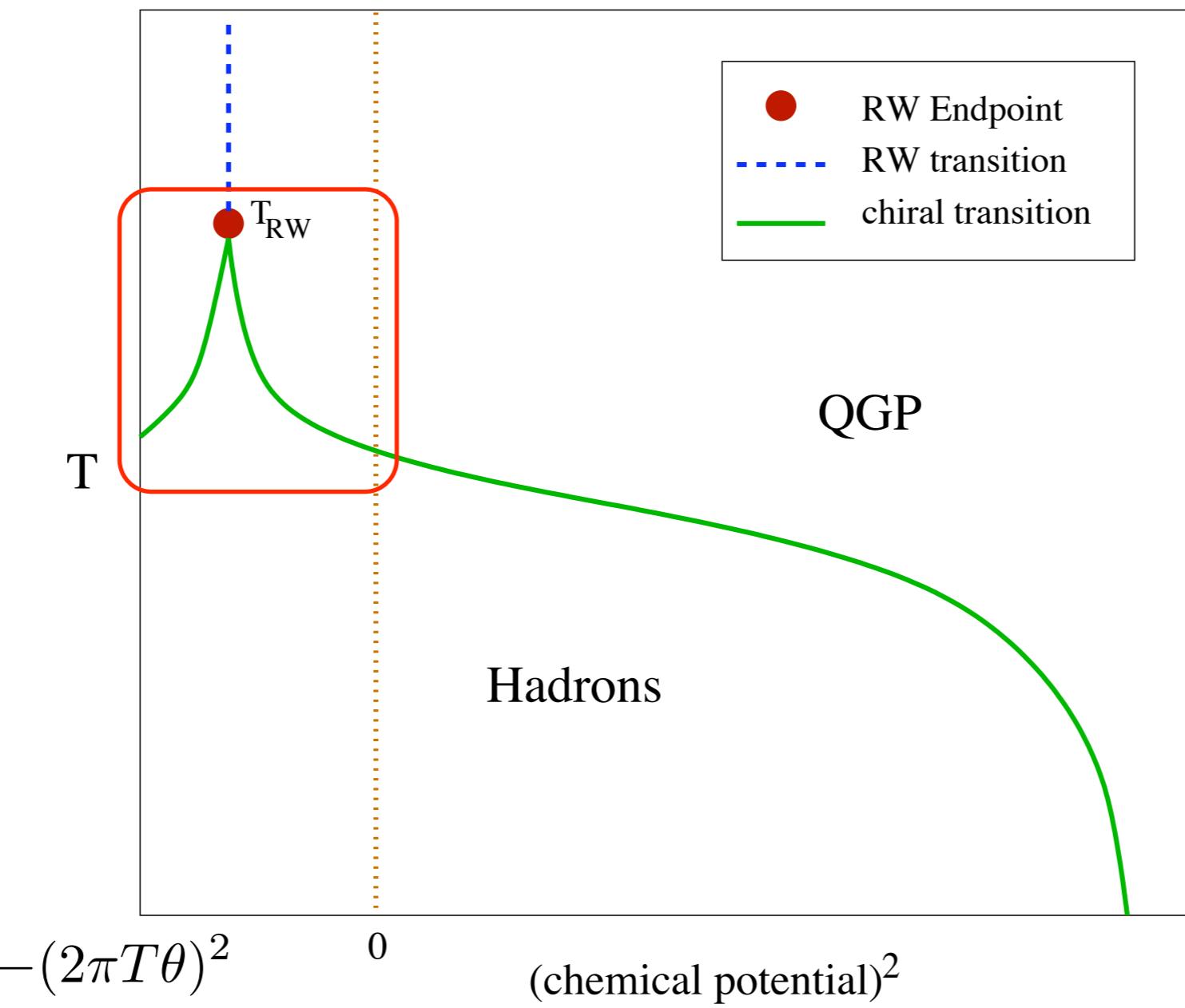


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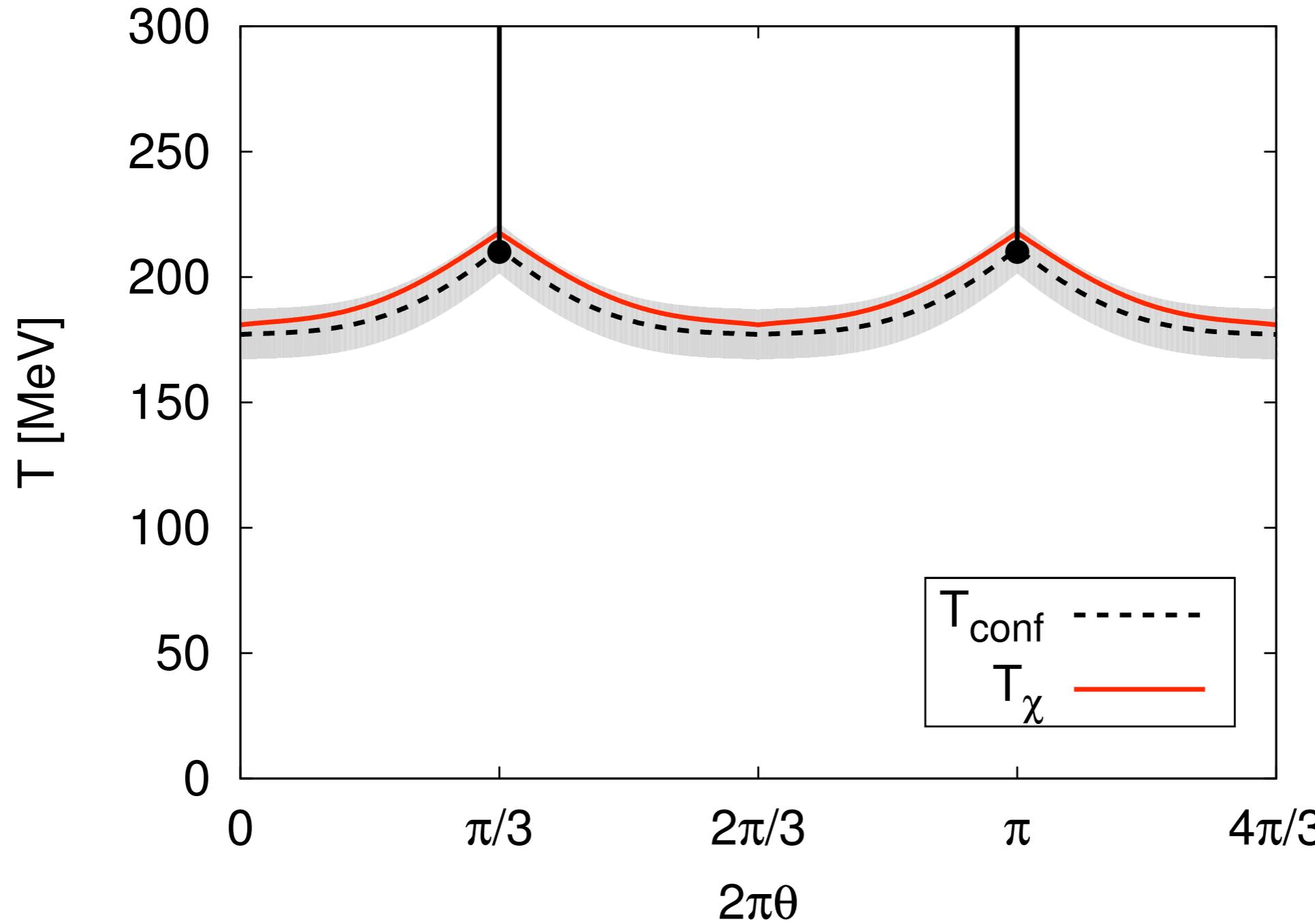
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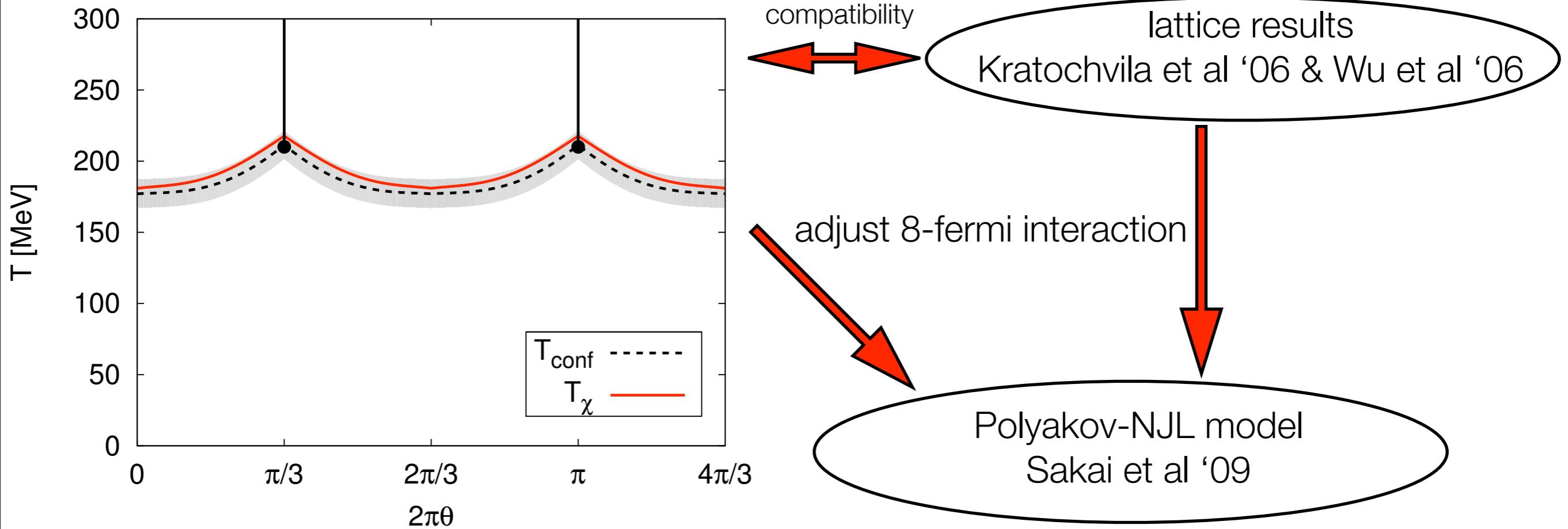
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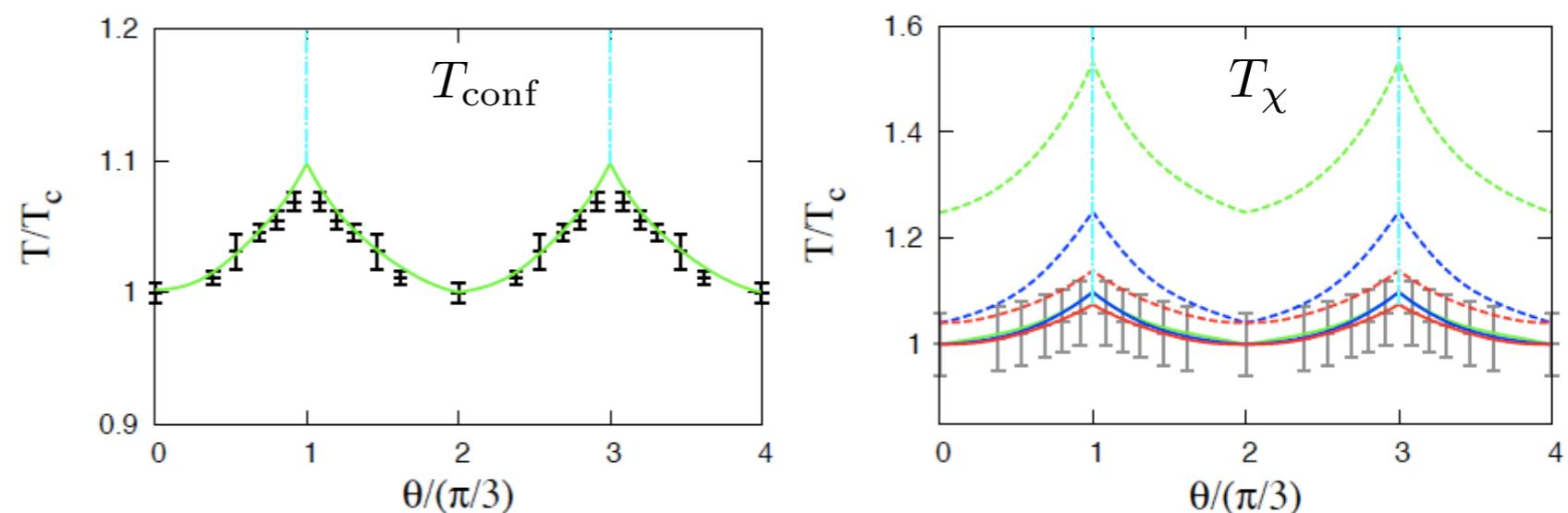
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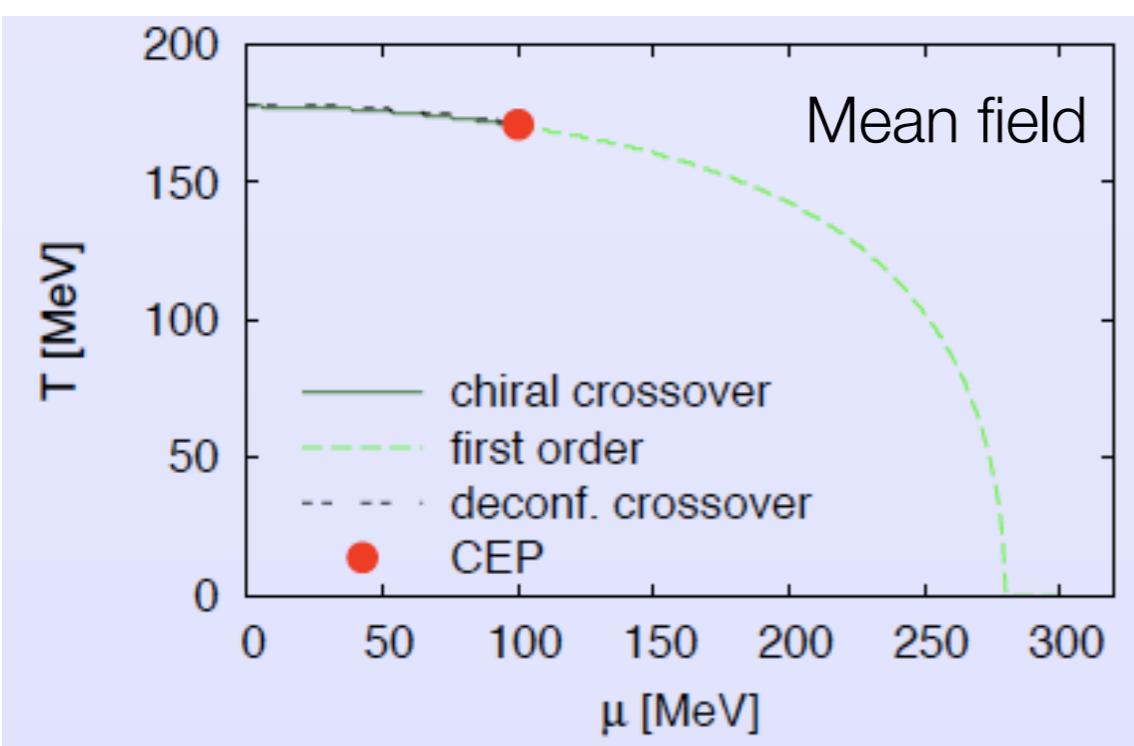


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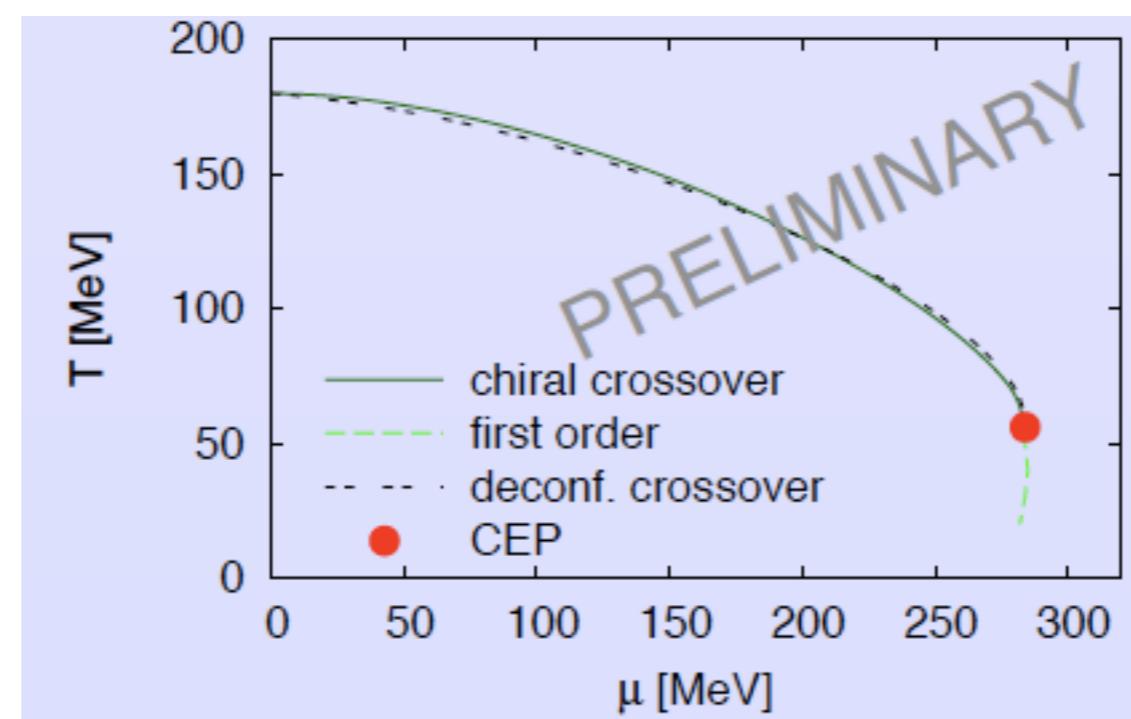
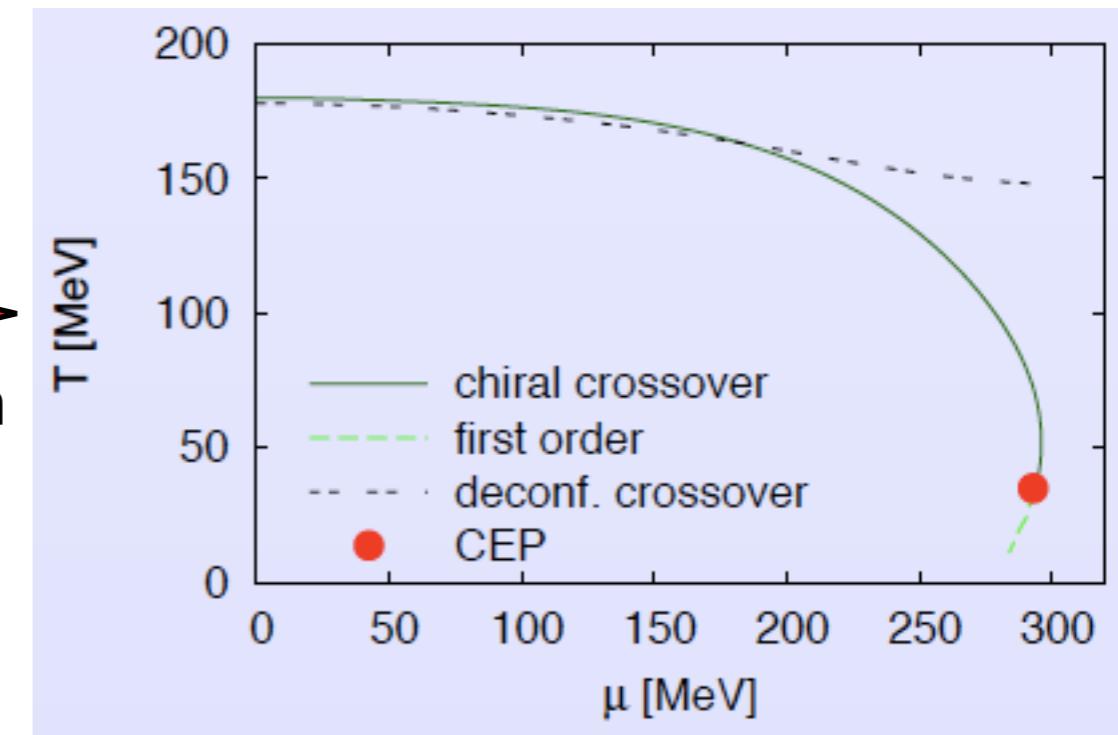


A glimpse at real chemical potential

Polyakov - Quark-Meson model



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Schaefer, JMP, Wambach '07

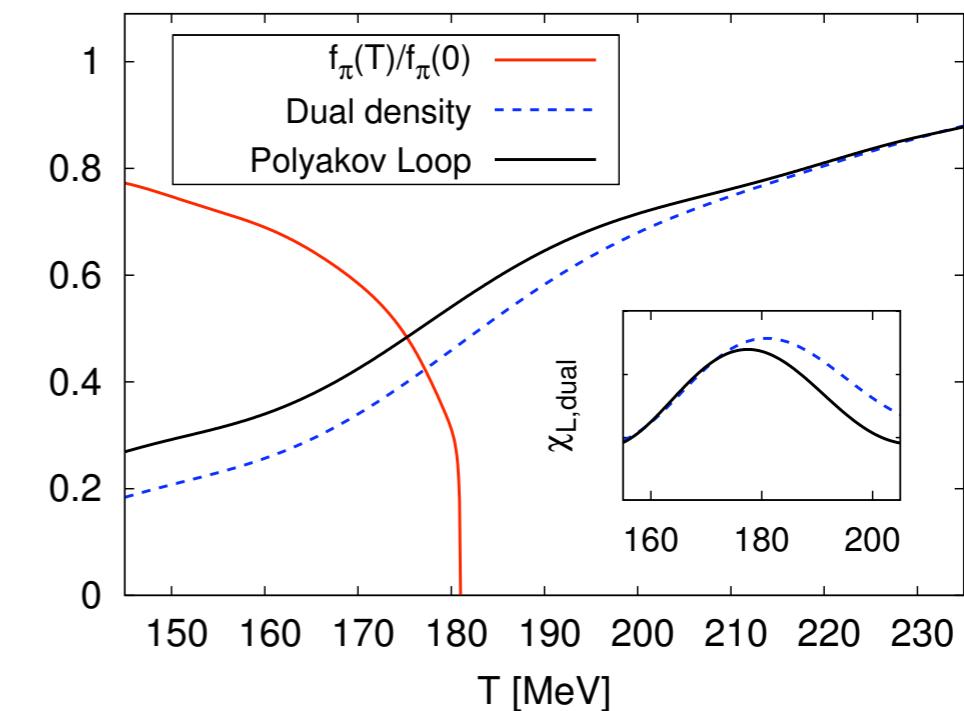
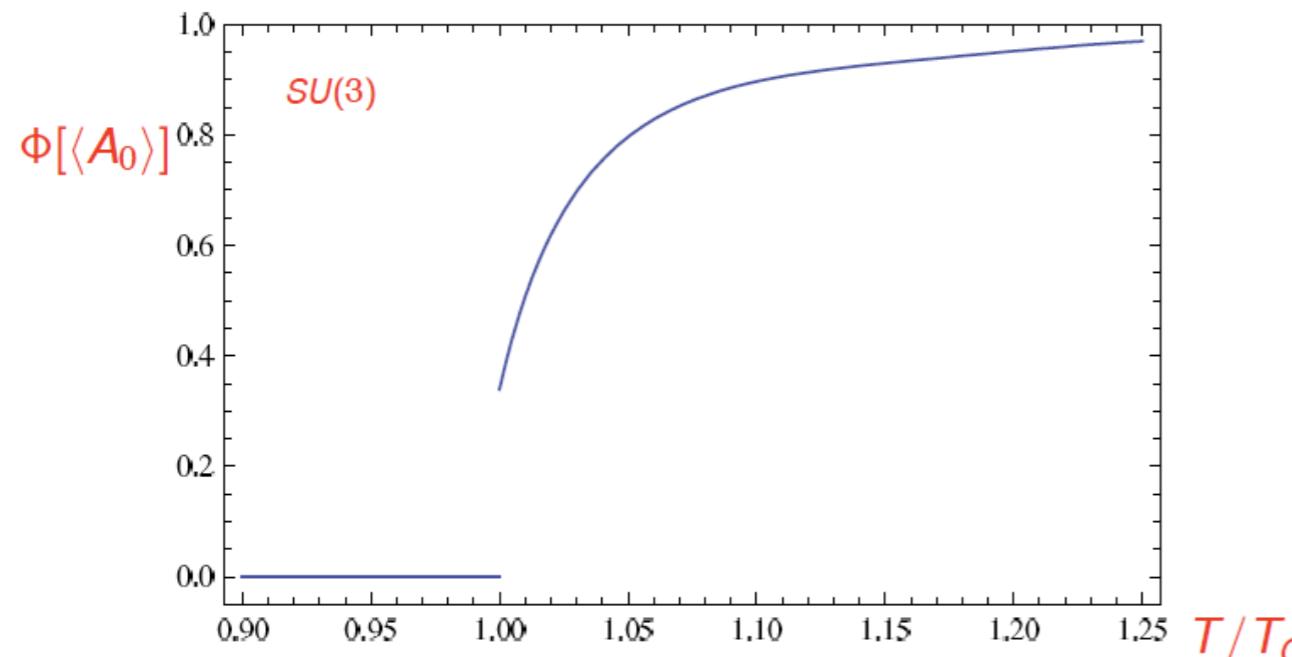
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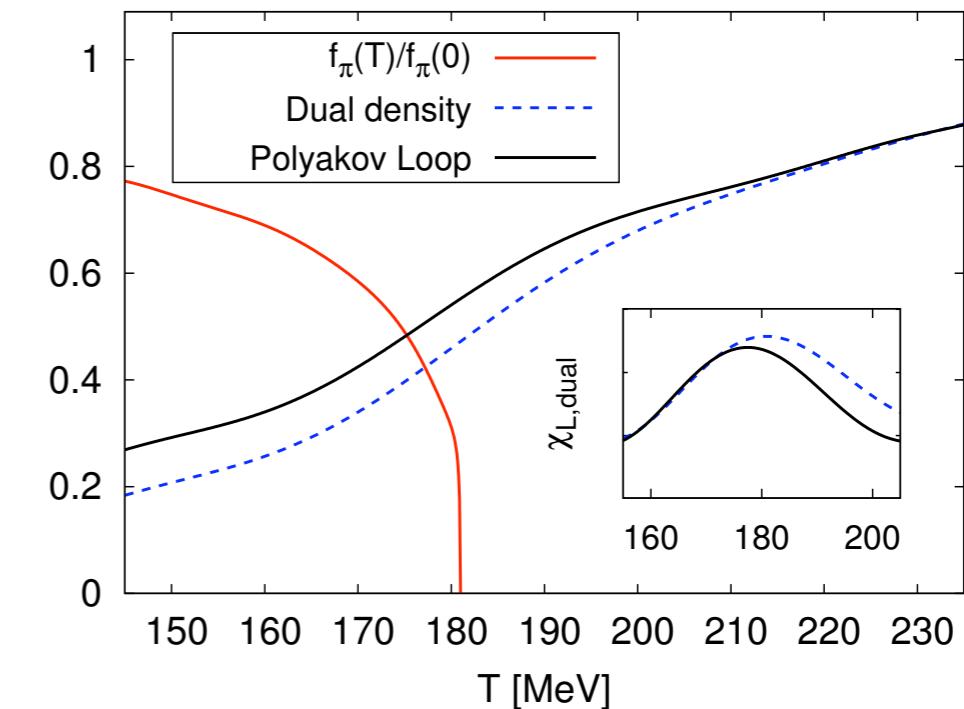
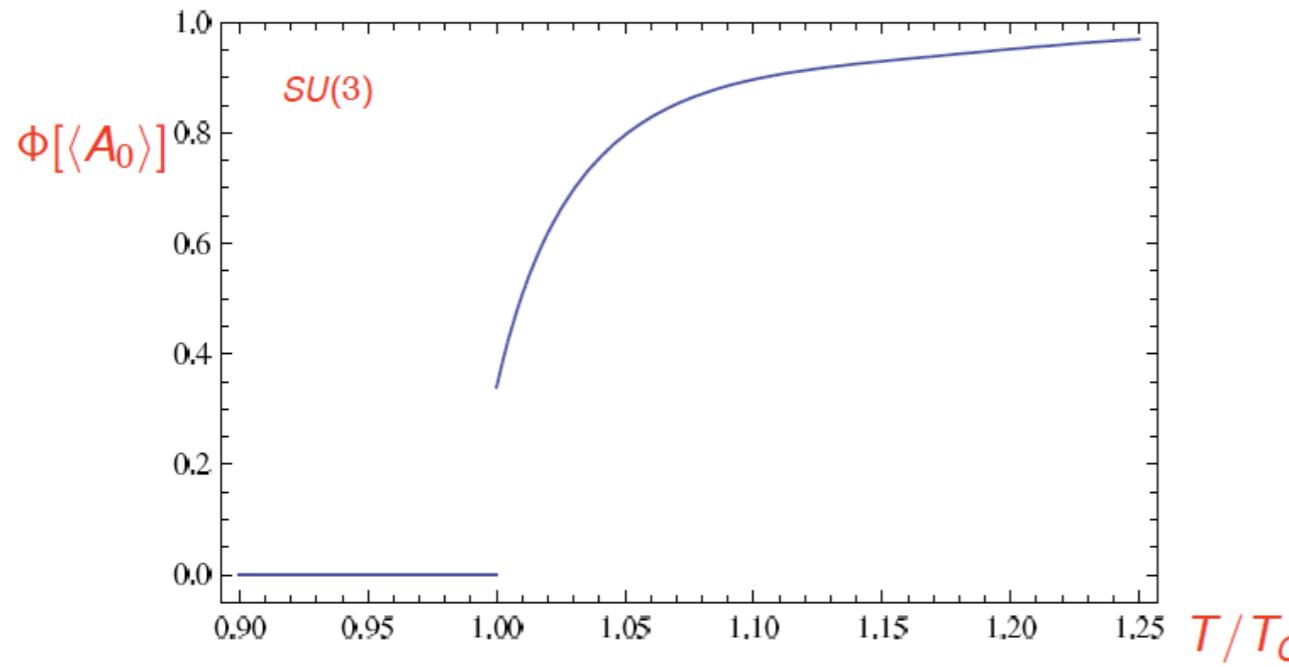
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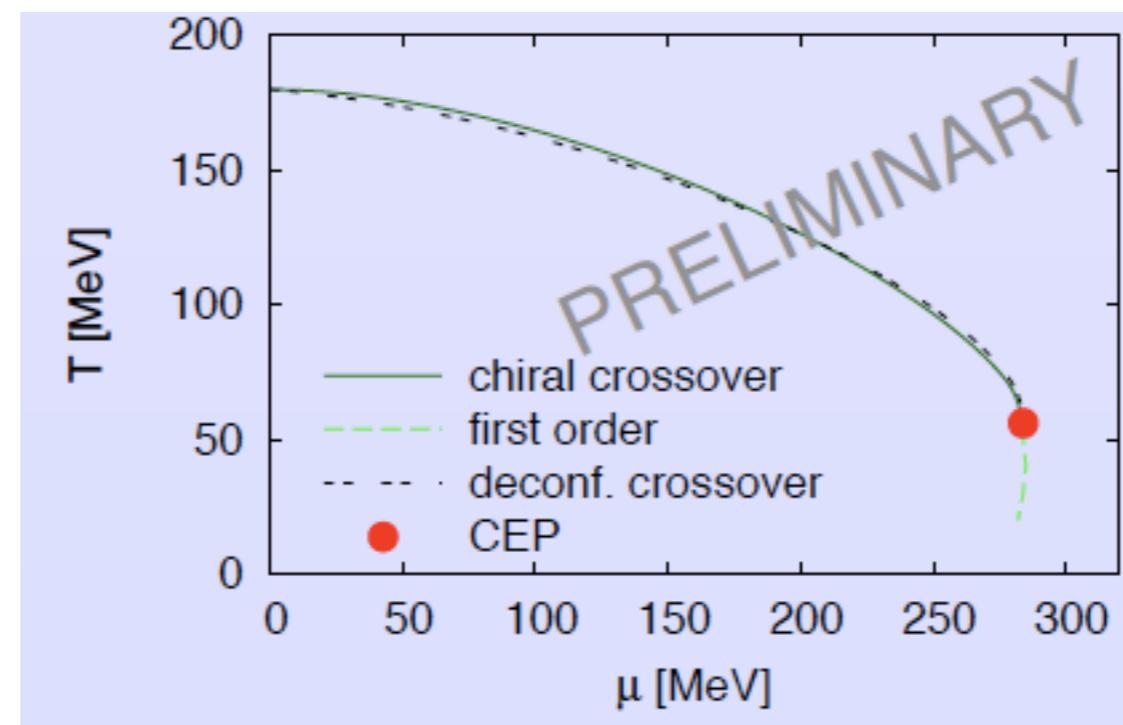
QCD flows dynamically into hadronic effective theories

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work in progress

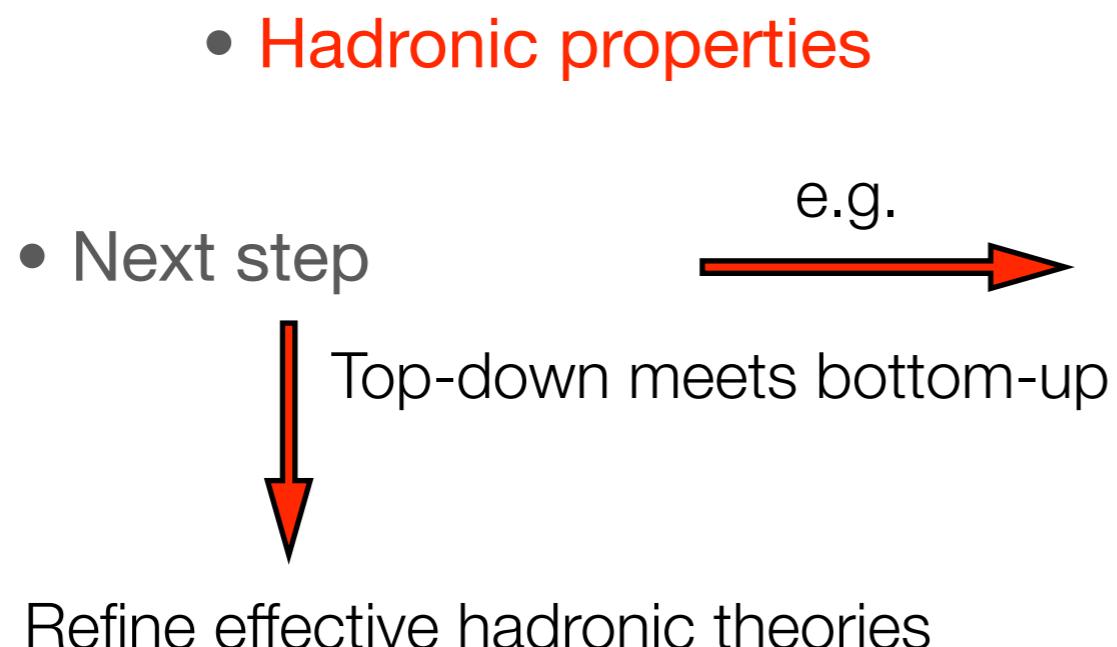
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CBM: Physics topics and Observables

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• collective flow of hadrons
• particle production at threshold energies (open charm)

Deconfinement phase transition at high ρ_B
• excitation function and flow of strangeness ($K, \Lambda, \Sigma, \Xi, \Omega$)
• excitation function and flow of charm ($J/\psi, \psi', D^0, D^\pm, \Lambda_c$)
• charmonium suppression, sequential for J/ψ and ψ' ?

QCD critical endpoint
• excitation function of event-by-event fluctuations ($K/\pi, \dots$)

Onset of chiral symmetry restoration at high ρ_B
• in-medium modifications of hadrons ($\rho, \omega, \phi \rightarrow e^+e^- (\mu^+\mu^-), D$)

predictions? clear signatures?
→ prepare to measure "everything" including rare probes
→ systematic studies! (pp, pA, AA, energy)
Claudia Höglund aim: probe & characterize the medium! - importance of rare probes!!

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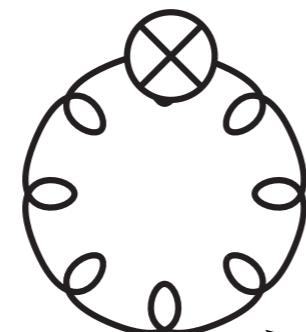
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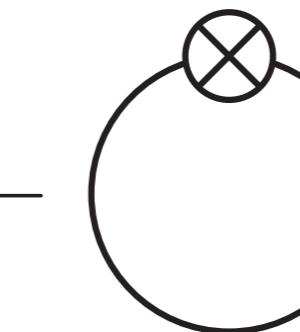
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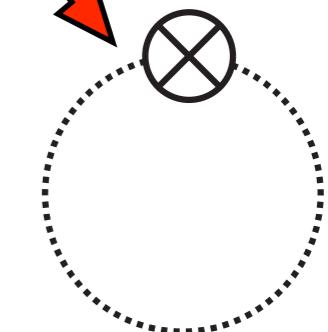
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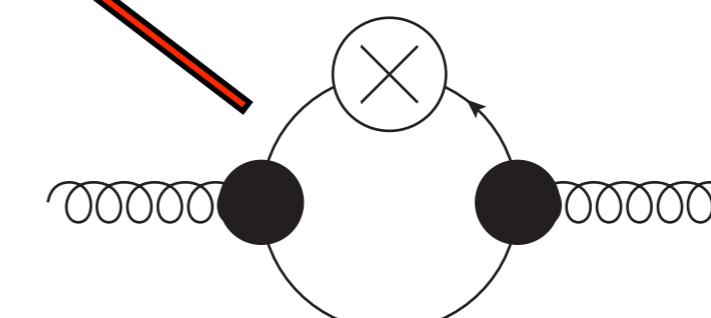
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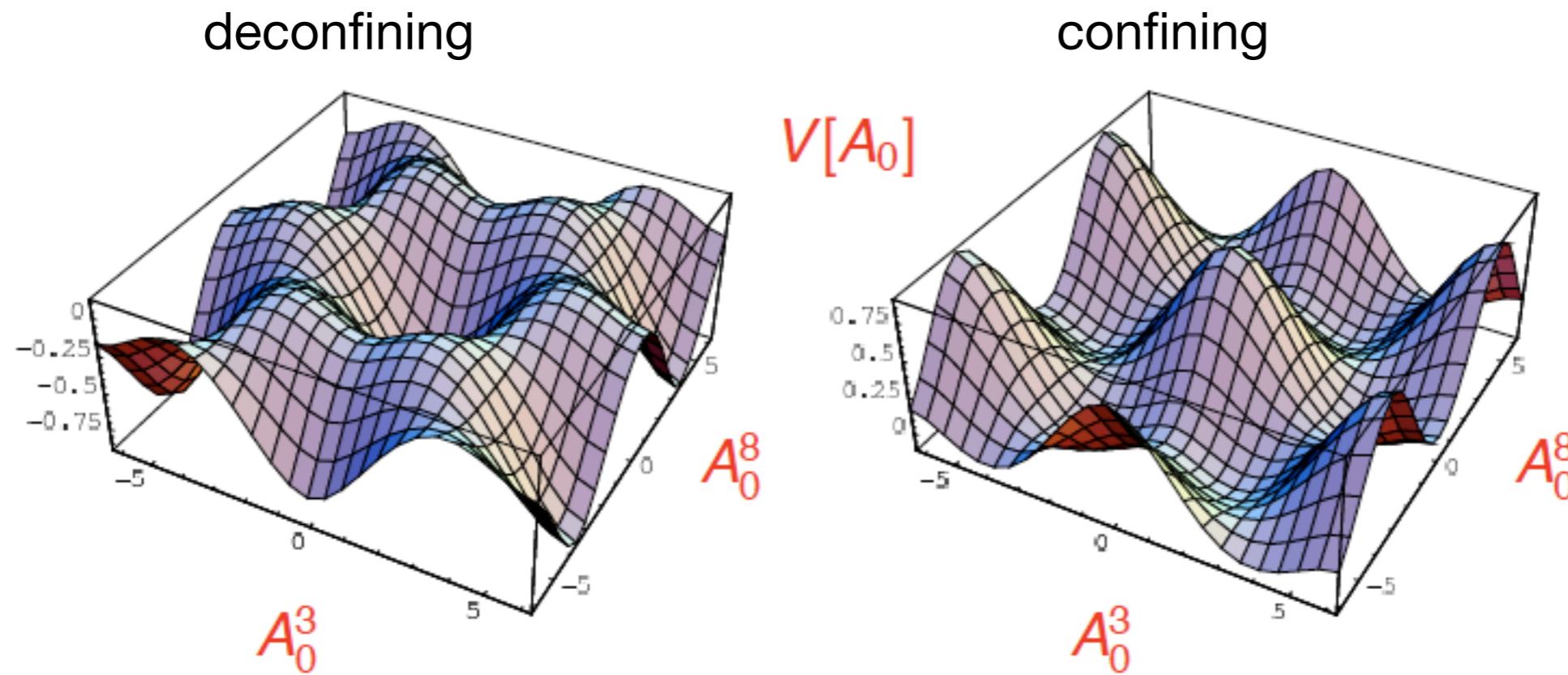
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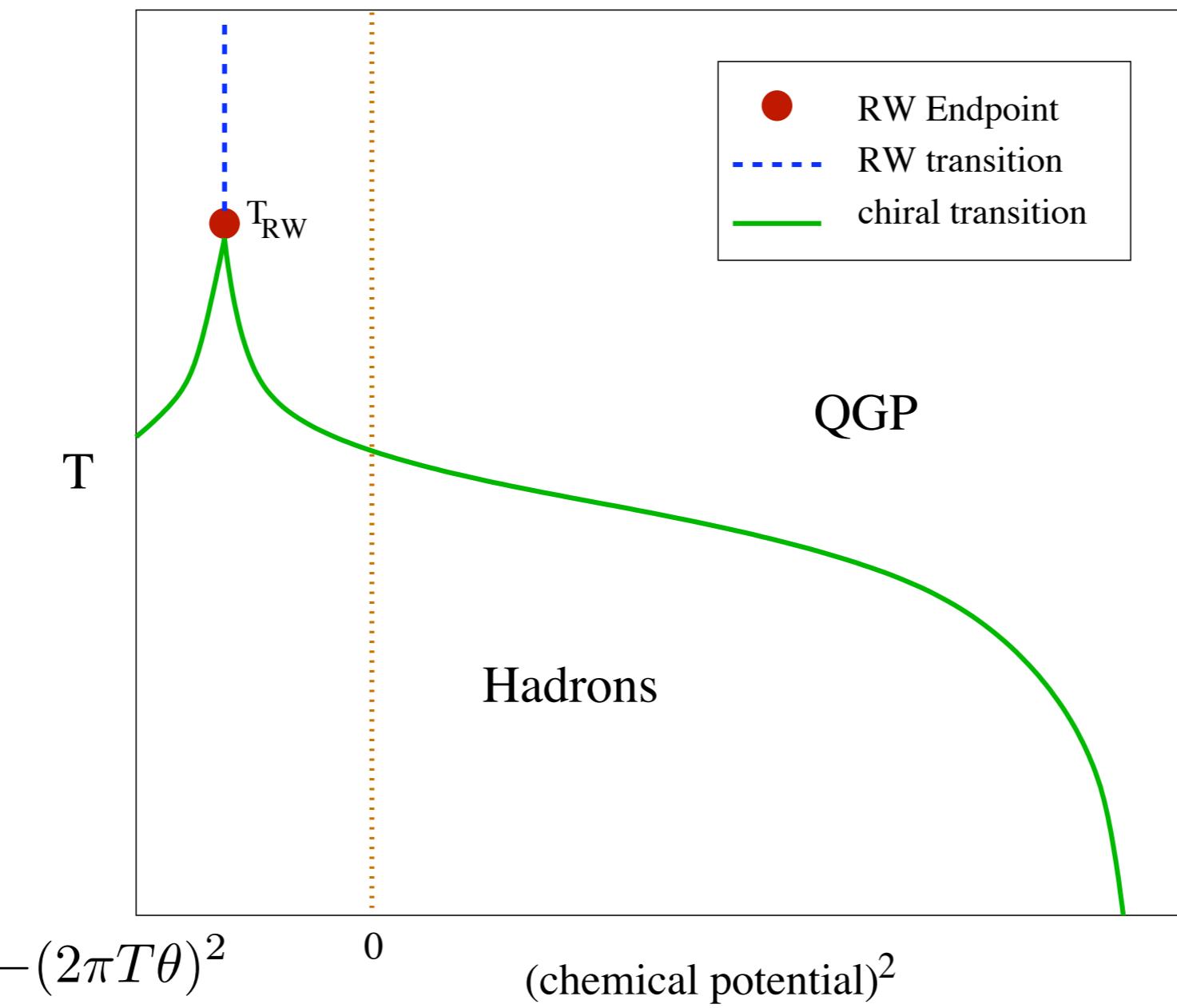


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- Lattice

Gattringer '06
Synatschke, Wipf, Wozar '08
Bruckmann, Hagen, Bilgici, Gattringer '08

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Fischer, '09; Fischer, Mueller '09
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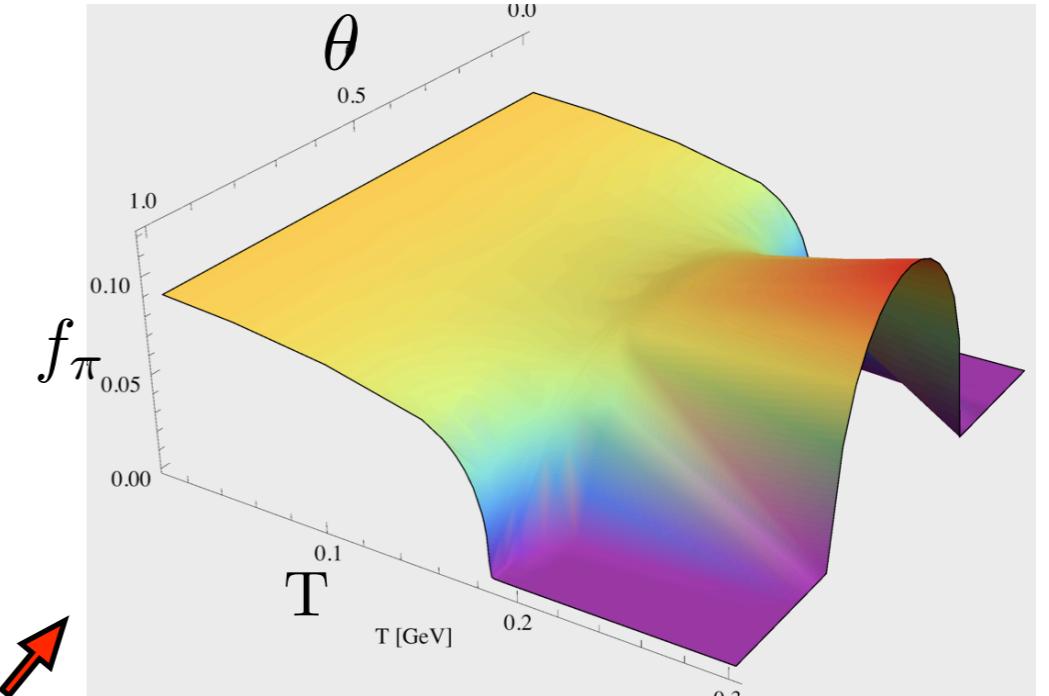
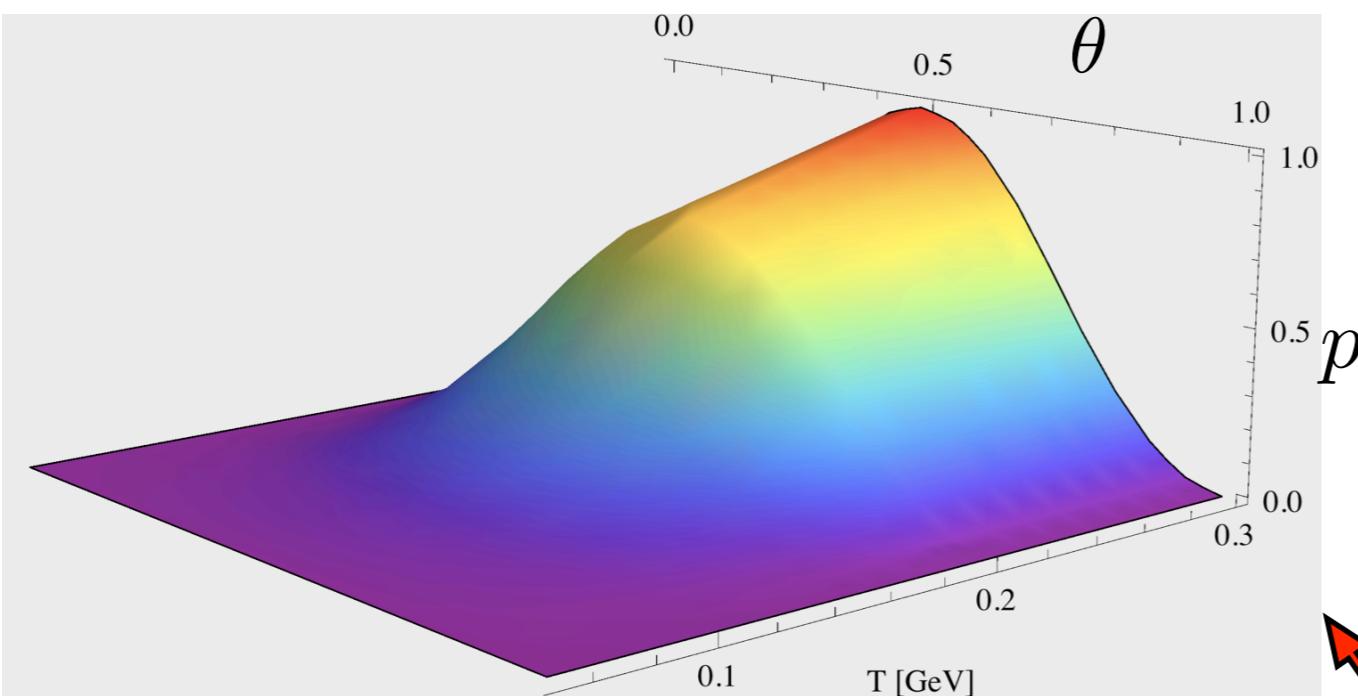
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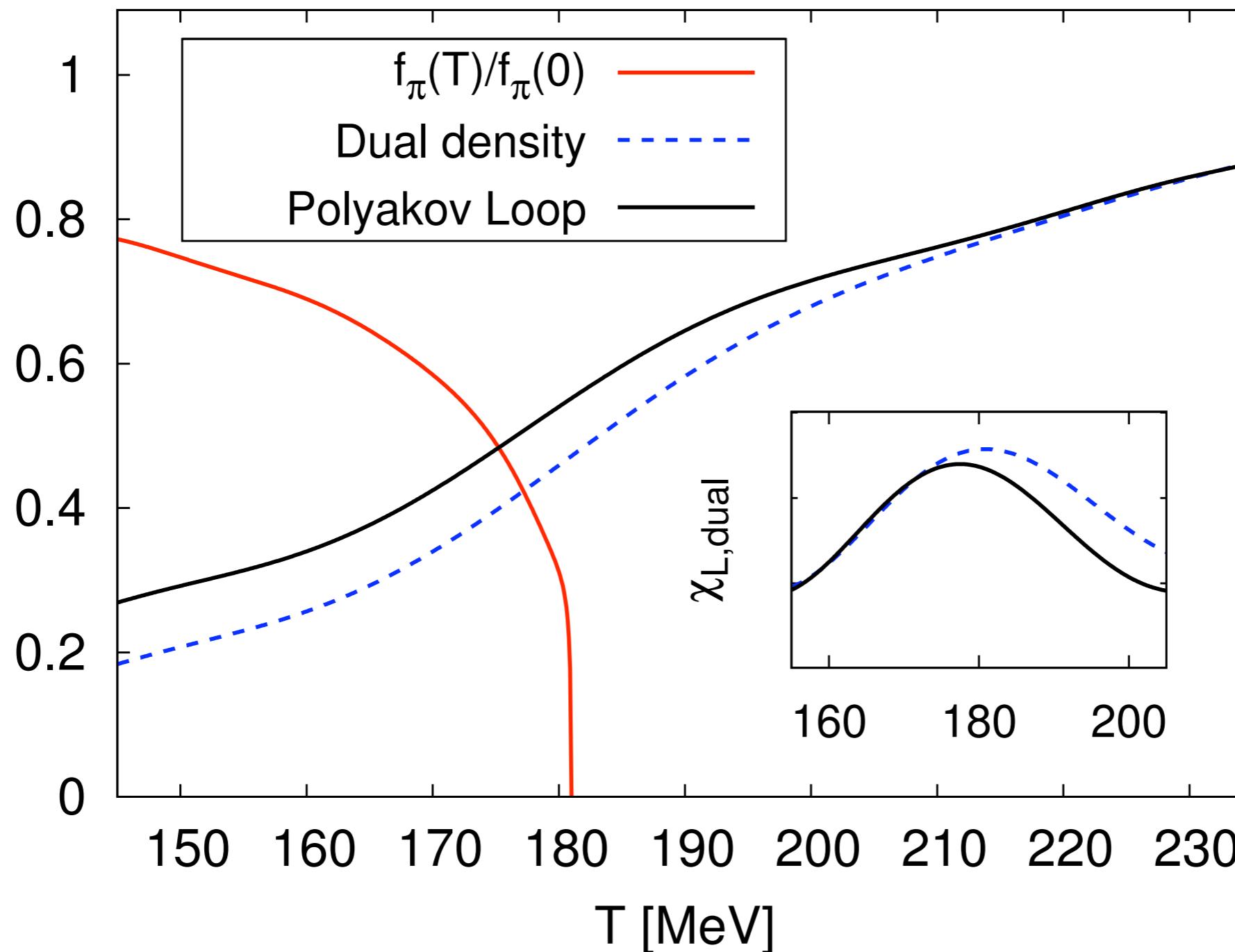
$f_\pi(T, \theta)$



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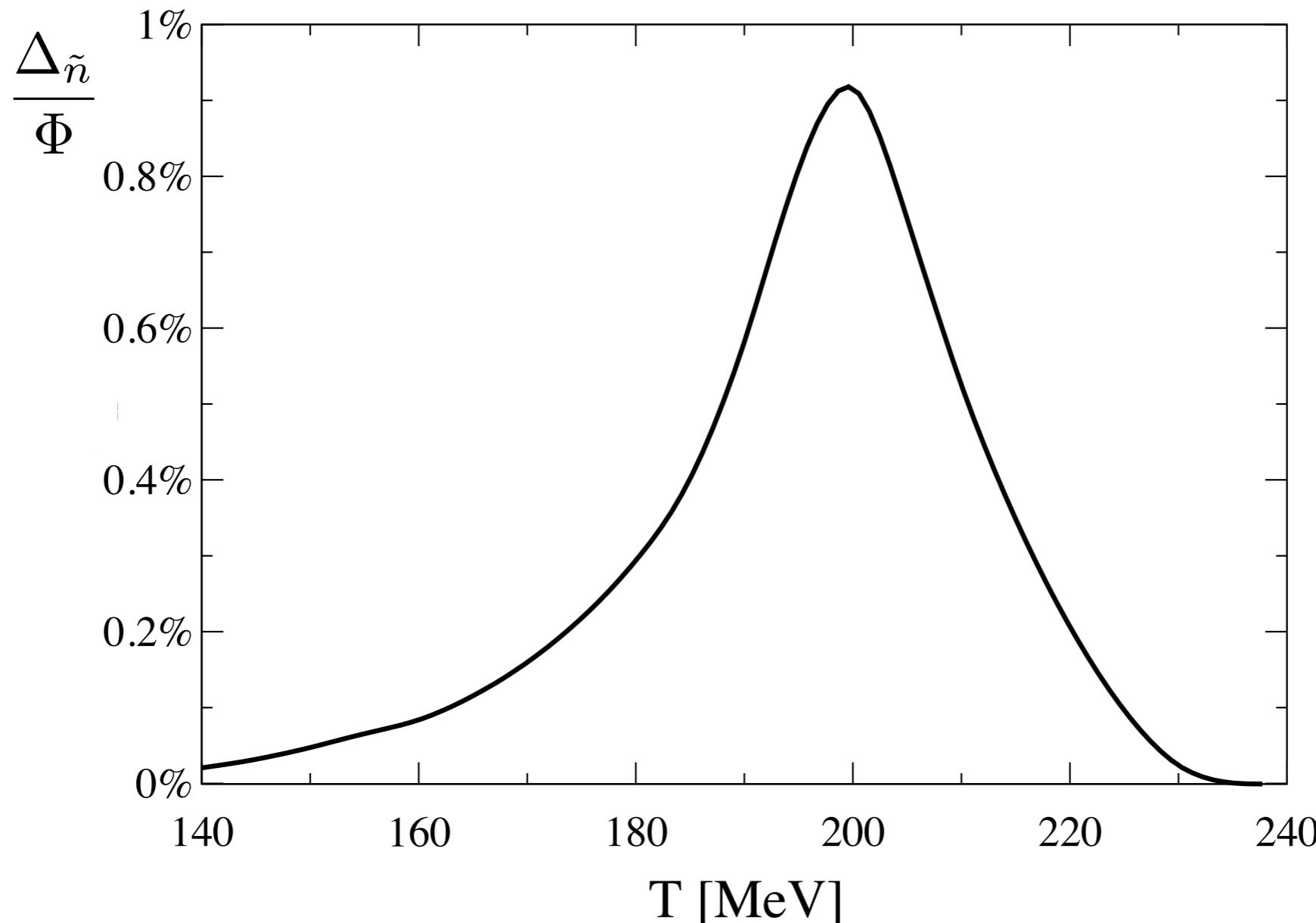
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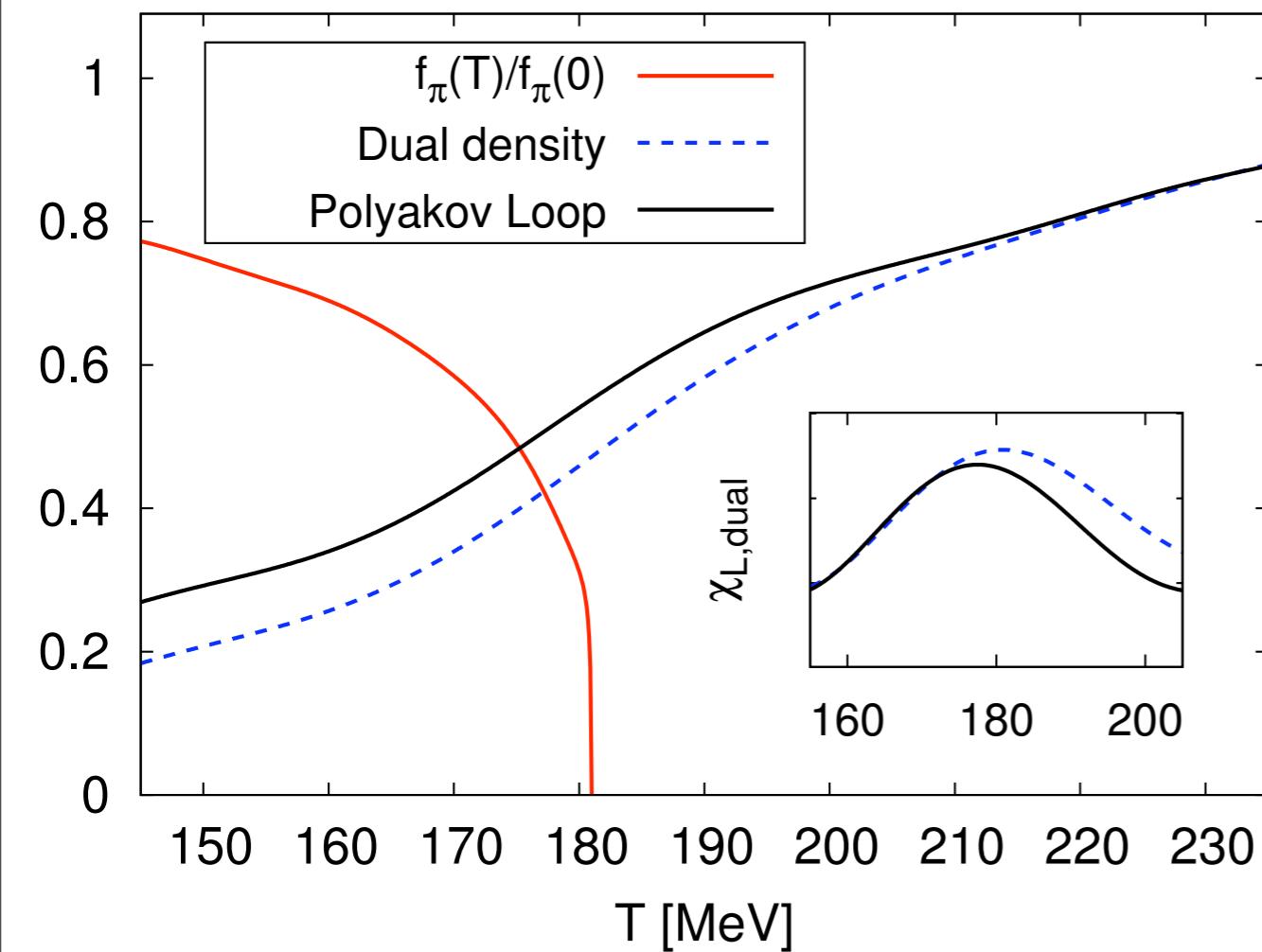
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$$\Delta_{\tilde{n}} = \frac{\tilde{n}[\langle A_0 \rangle]}{\tilde{n}[0]} - \Phi[\langle A_0 \rangle] : \text{Deviation of dual density from Polyakov loop}$$

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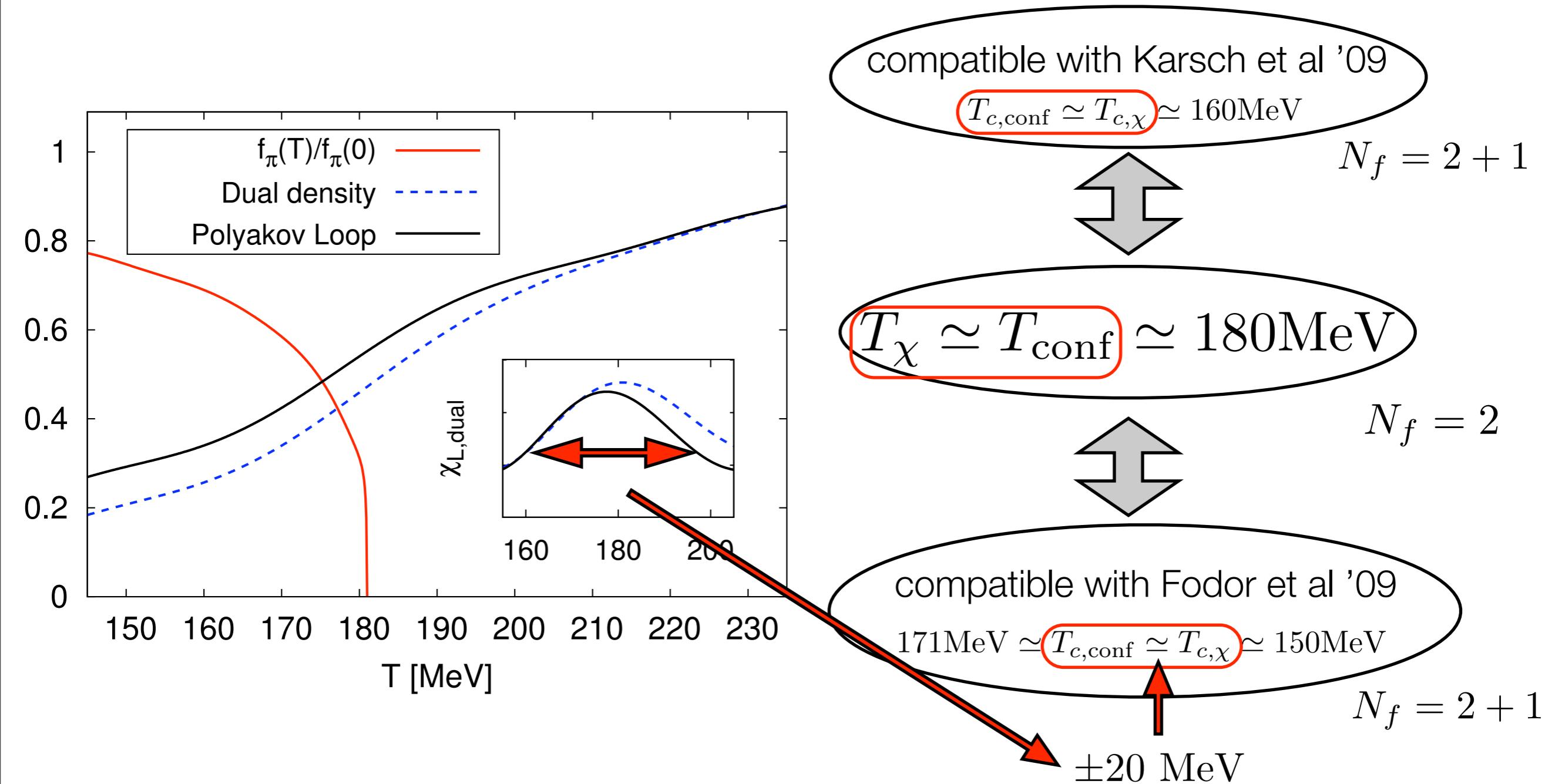
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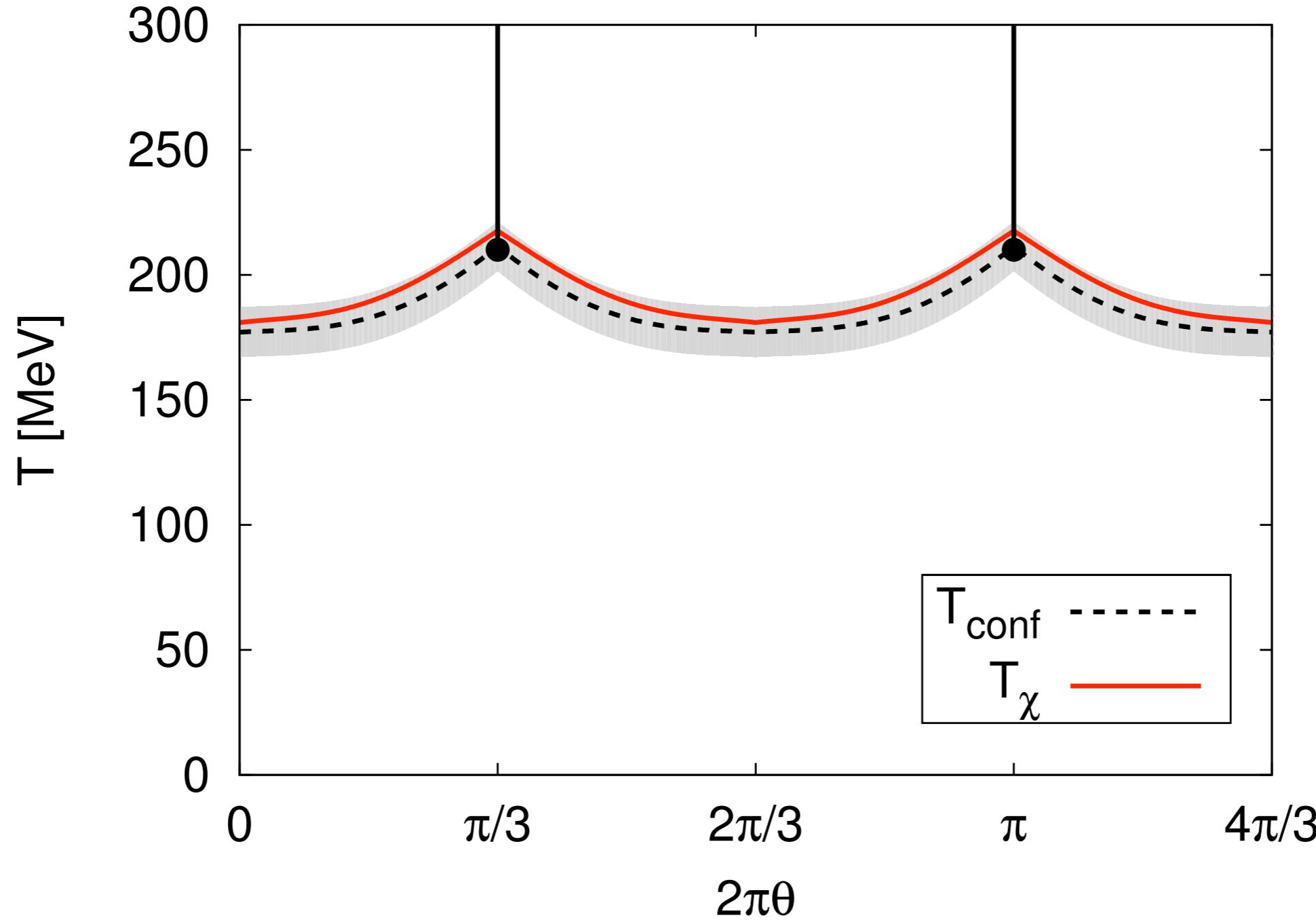
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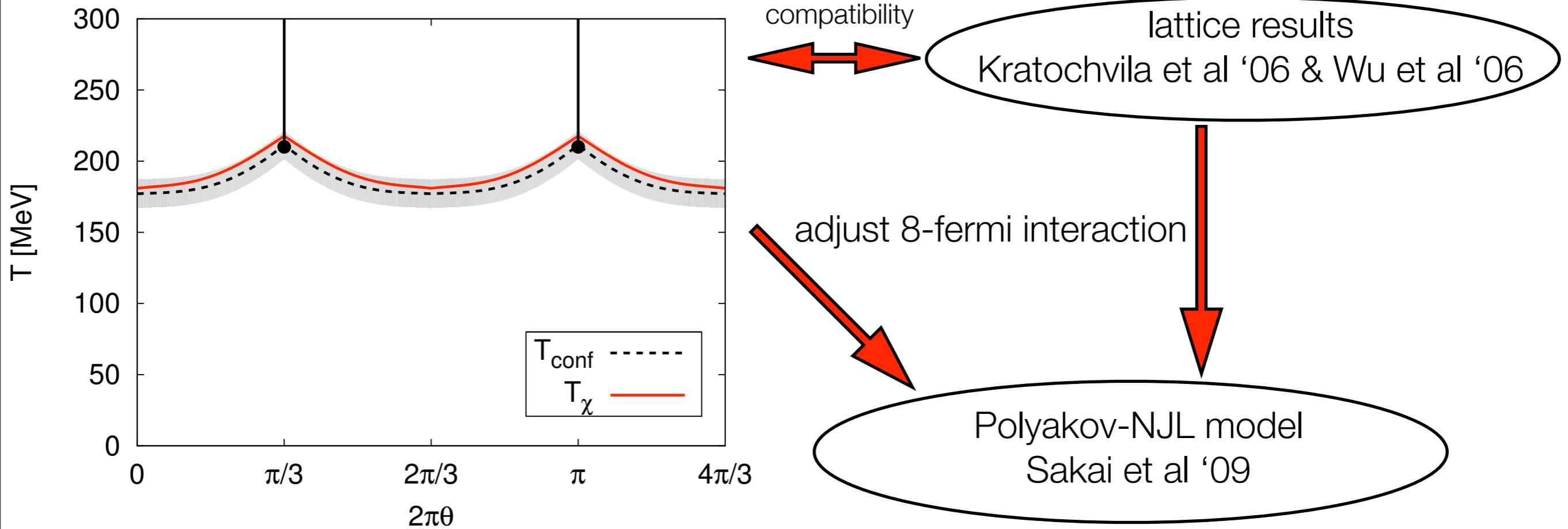
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