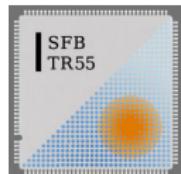


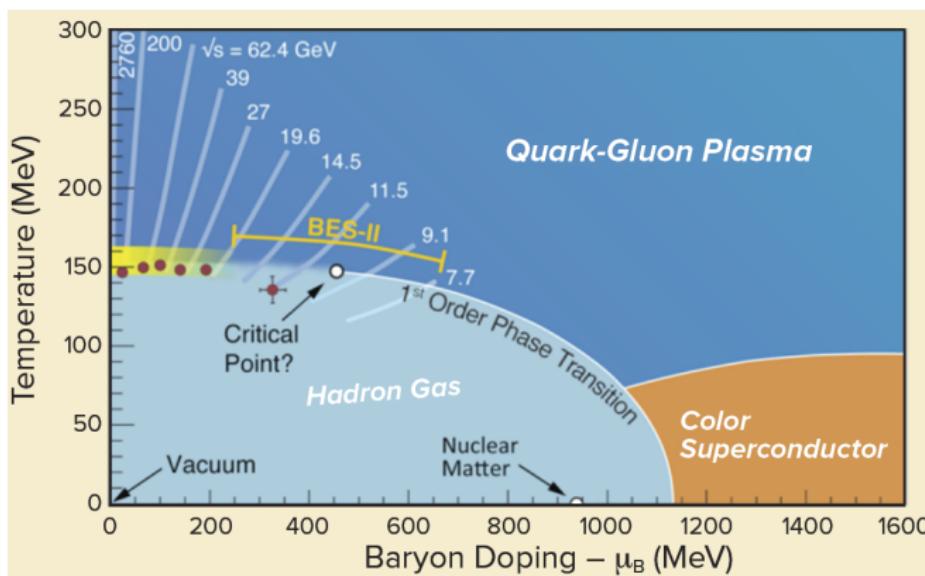
Recent lattice Results on the QCD phase diagram

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The (T, μ_B) -phase diagram of QCD



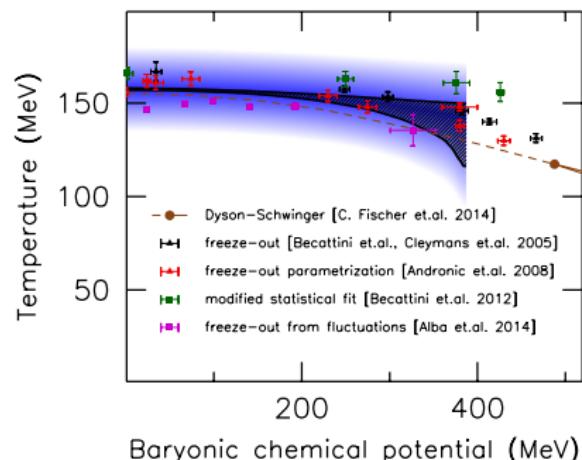
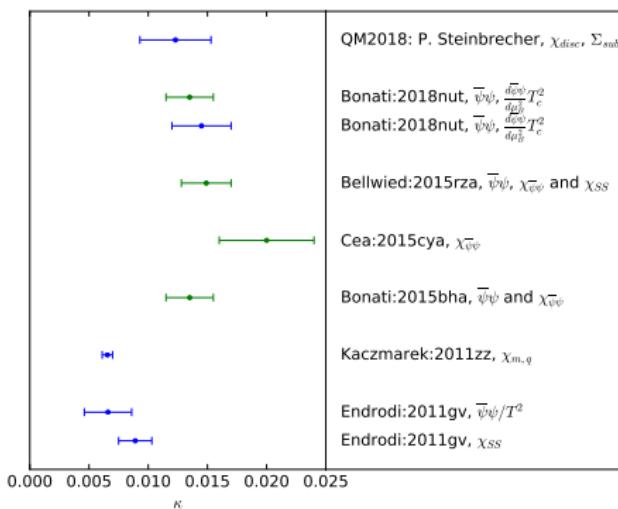
Our observables:

T_c , Equation of state, Fluctuations

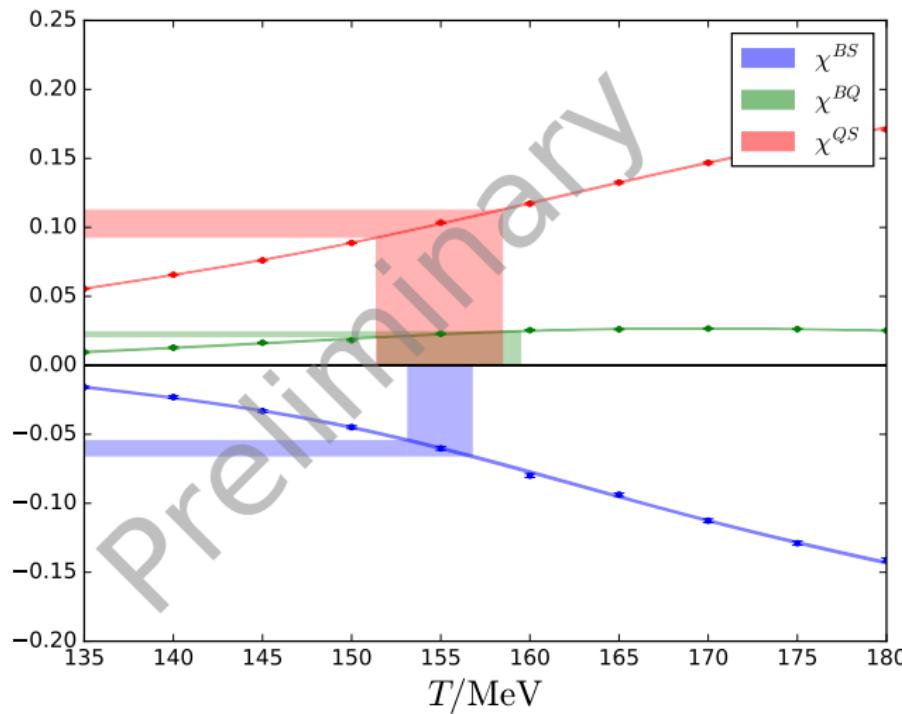
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Curvature function:

$$\frac{T_c(\mu_B)}{T_c(0)} = 1 - \kappa \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T_c} \right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^4)$$



Also not in this talk



...nor anything about the Equation of States

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Why LQCD?

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a,\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi} (i\gamma_\mu D^\mu - m) \psi$$

- Because of the strong coupling and the self interaction of gluons perturbation theory is not feasible
- Path integral quantization:

$$\langle 0 | T \hat{\phi}_1 \dots \hat{\phi}_n | 0 \rangle = \frac{\int D\phi \hat{\phi}_1 \dots \hat{\phi}_n e^{i \int dx \mathcal{L}}}{\int D\phi e^{i \int dx \mathcal{L}}}$$

First problem: There are many points in space-time $D\phi = \prod_i d\phi(x_i)$

Solution: Replace continuous space by a discrete 4d lattice

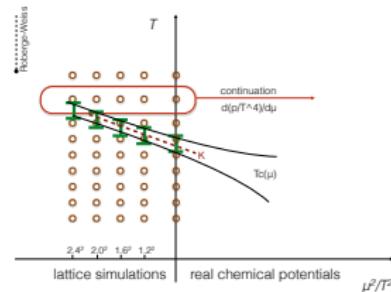
Why aren't we finished yet?

- Simulations take a lot of computer time
- Not everything can be calculated directly. For example:
 - Only observables that can be calculated in Euclidean space
 - Only thermal equilibrium
 - Only simulations at

$\mu_B = 0 \Rightarrow \langle n_B \rangle = 0$



heavy ion collision experiments



The sign problem

The QCD partition function:

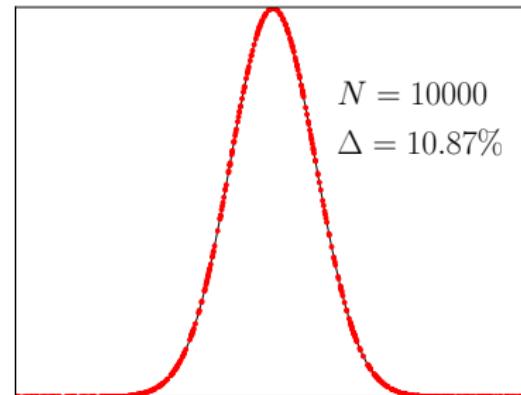
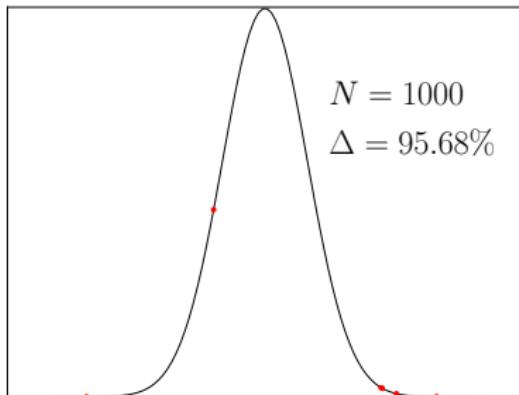
$$\begin{aligned} Z(V, T, \mu) &= \int \mathcal{D}U \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} e^{-S_F(U, \psi, \bar{\psi}) - \beta S_G(U)} \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}U \det M(U) e^{-\beta S_G(U)} \end{aligned}$$

- For Monte Carlo simulations $\det M(U) e^{-\beta S_G(U)}$ is interpreted as Boltzmann weight
- If there is particle-antiparticle-symmetry $\det M(U)$ is real
- If $\mu^2 > 0$ $\det M(U)$ is complex

The sign problem

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (100-x^2) \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \approx \int_{-100}^{100} (100-x^2) \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} = \sum_{i=1}^N (100-x_i^2) \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}x_i^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{200}{N}$$

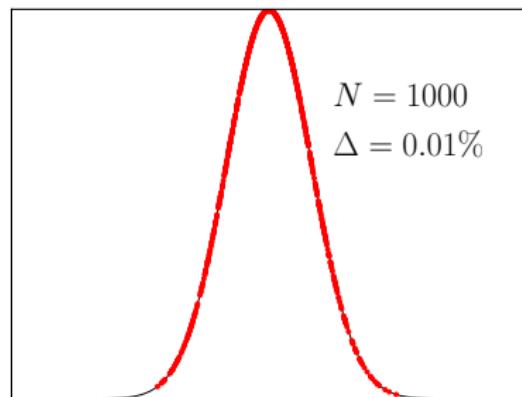
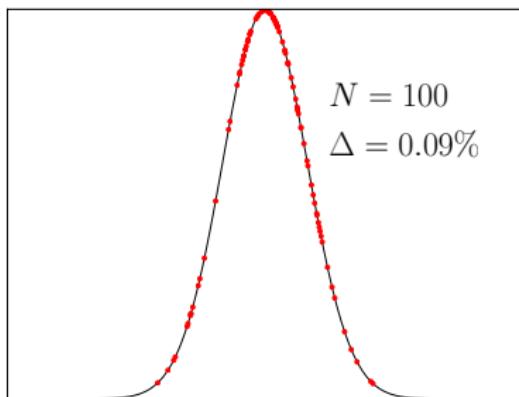
The x_i are drawn from a uniform distribution in the interval $[-100, 100]$



Importance sampling

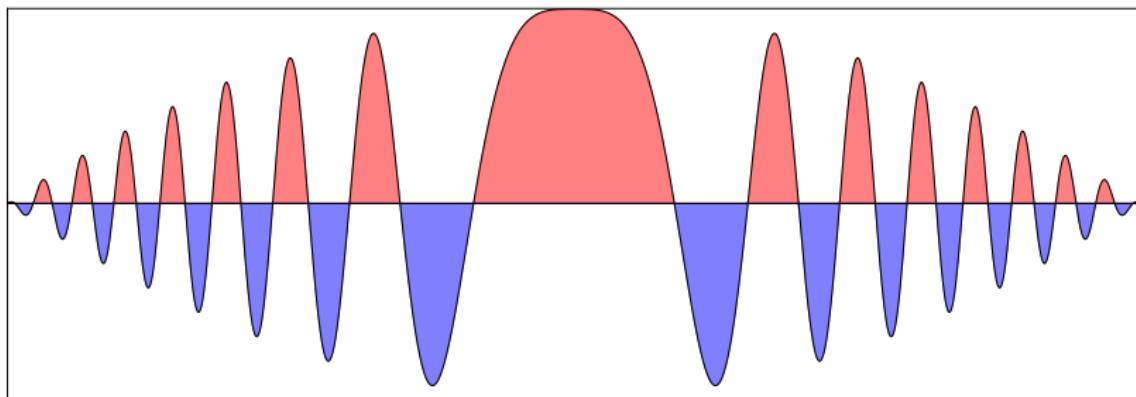
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (100 - x^2) \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} = \sum_{i=1}^N (100 - x_i^2) \cdot \frac{1}{N}$$

The x_i are drawn from a normal distribution



The sign problem

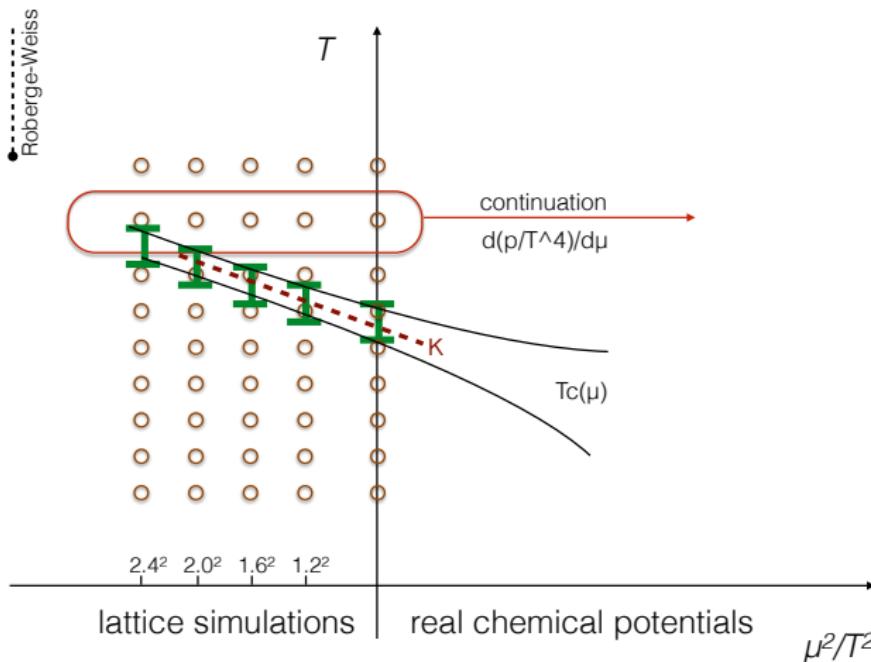
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (100 - x^2) \frac{e^{-\frac{i}{2}x^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$



Dealing with the sign problem

- Reweighting techniques
- Canonical ensemble
- Complex Langevin
- Lefshetz Thimble
- Density of state methods
- Dual variables
- Taylor expansion —→ [Bazavov et al., Bazavov:2017dus],
[Bonati et al., Bonati:2018nut]
- **Imaginary μ**
- ...

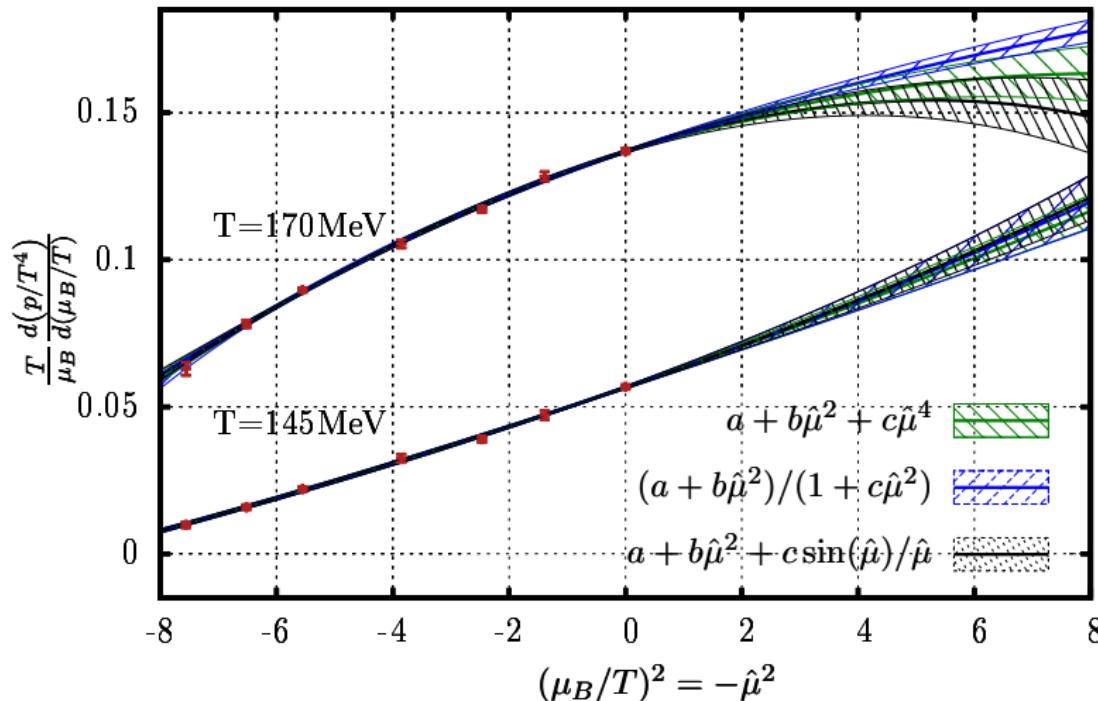
Analytic continuation



Common technique: [de Forcrand, Philipsen, deForcrand:2002hgr],
[Bonati et al., Bonati:2015bha], [Cea et al., Cea:2015cya],
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Different functions

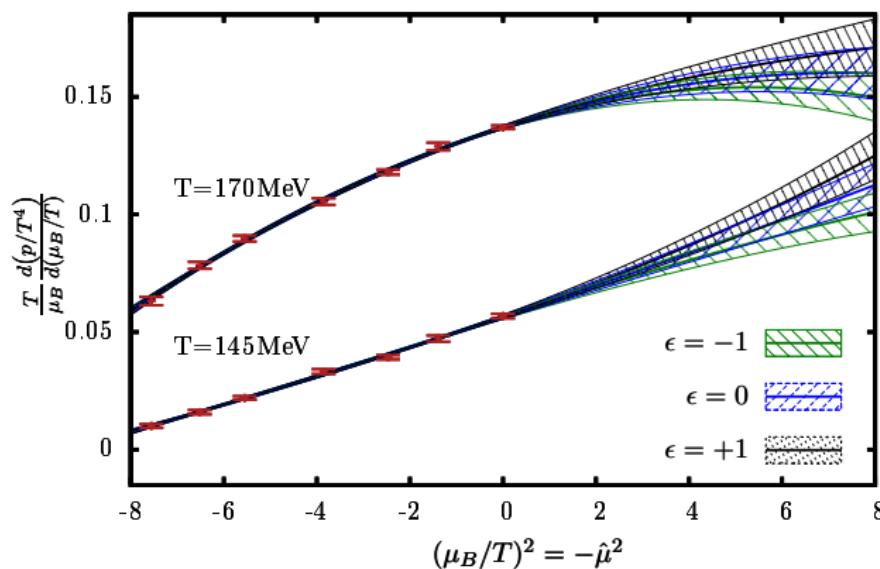
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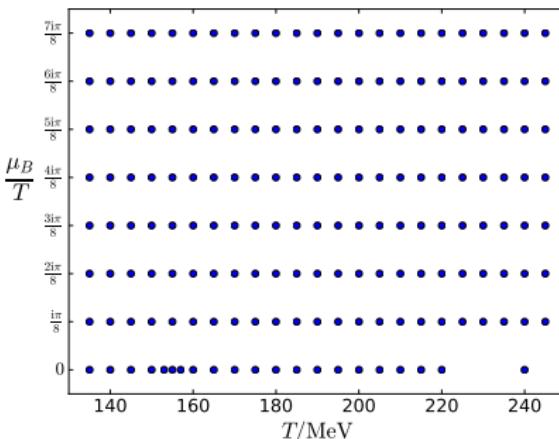
Different functions

Condition: $\chi_8 \lesssim \chi_4 \longrightarrow f(\hat{\mu}_B) = a + b\hat{\mu}_B^2 + c\hat{\mu}_B^4 + \frac{b\epsilon}{840}\hat{\mu}_B^6$

Analytical continuation on $N_t = 12$ raw data



Simulation details



- Borsanyi et al., Borsanyi:2018grb, arXiv:1805.04445
- Action: tree-level Symanzik improved gauge action, with four times stout smeared staggered fermions
- 2+1+1 flavor, on LCP with pion and kaon mass
- Simulation at $\mu_S = \mu_Q = 0$
- Lattice size: $48^3 \times 12$
- $\frac{\mu_B}{T} = i \frac{j\pi}{8}$ with $j = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$ and 7

The fit function

$$\chi_0^B(\hat{\mu}_B) = \frac{p}{T^4} = c_0 + c_2 \hat{\mu}_B^2 + c_4 \hat{\mu}_B^4 + c_6 \hat{\mu}_B^6 + \frac{4!}{8!} c_4 \epsilon_1 \hat{\mu}_B^8 + \frac{4!}{10!} c_4 \epsilon_2 \hat{\mu}_B^{10}.$$

where ϵ_1 and ϵ_2 are drawn randomly from a normal with $\mu = -1.25$ and $\sigma = 2.75$ distribution.

From this we can calculate the derivatives that we can measure on the lattice:

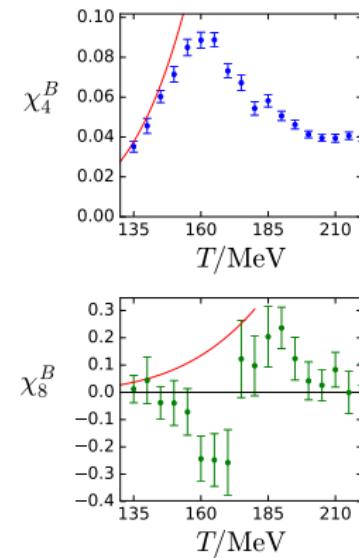
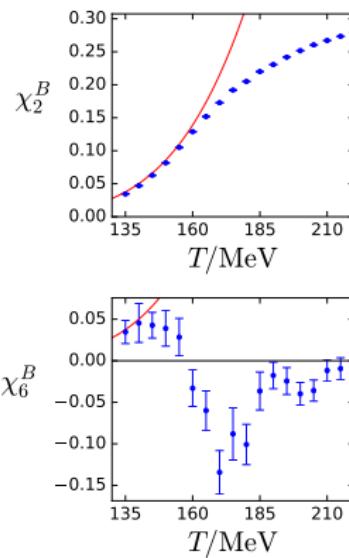
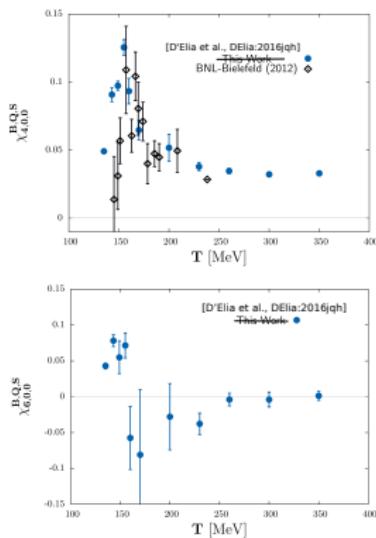
$$\chi_1^B(\hat{\mu}_B) = 2c_2 \hat{\mu}_B + 4c_4 \hat{\mu}_B^3 + 6c_6 \hat{\mu}_B^5 + \frac{4!}{7!} c_4 \epsilon_1 \hat{\mu}_B^7 + \frac{4!}{9!} c_4 \epsilon_2 \hat{\mu}_B^9$$

$$\chi_2^B(\hat{\mu}_B) = 2c_2 + 12c_4 \hat{\mu}_B^2 + 30c_6 \hat{\mu}_B^4 + \frac{4!}{6!} c_4 \epsilon_1 \hat{\mu}_B^6 + \frac{4!}{8!} c_4 \epsilon_2 \hat{\mu}_B^8$$

$$\chi_3^B(\hat{\mu}_B) = 24c_4 \hat{\mu}_B + 120c_6 \hat{\mu}_B^3 + \frac{4!}{5!} c_4 \epsilon_1 \hat{\mu}_B^5 + \frac{4!}{7!} c_4 \epsilon_2 \hat{\mu}_B^7$$

$$\chi_4^B(\hat{\mu}_B) = 24c_4 + 360c_6 \hat{\mu}_B^2 + c_4 \epsilon_1 \hat{\mu}_B^4 + \frac{4!}{6!} c_4 \epsilon_2 \hat{\mu}_B^6.$$

χ_2^B , χ_4^B , χ_6^B and χ_8^B



[D'Elia et al., DElia:2016jqh], see also [Bazavov et al., Bazavov:2017dus]

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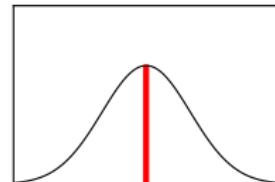
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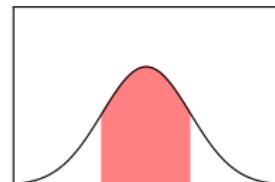
Observables

Cumulants of the net baryon number distributions:

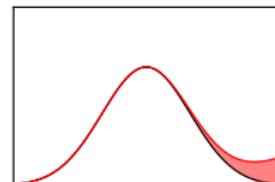
- mean M_B



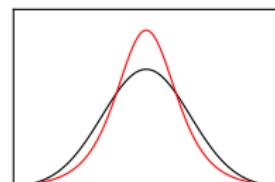
- variance σ_B^2



- skewness S_B : asymmetry of the distribution



- kurtosis κ_B : “tailedness” of the distribution



Calculating observables

We have derivatives with respect to $\hat{\mu}_B$, $\hat{\mu}_Q$ and $\hat{\mu}_S$ of the pressure at $\mu_S = \mu_Q = 0$. Notation:

$$\chi_{i,j,k}^{B,Q,S} = \frac{\partial^{i+j+k}(p/T^4)}{(\partial\hat{\mu}_B)^i(\partial\hat{\mu}_Q)^j(\partial\hat{\mu}_S)^k},$$

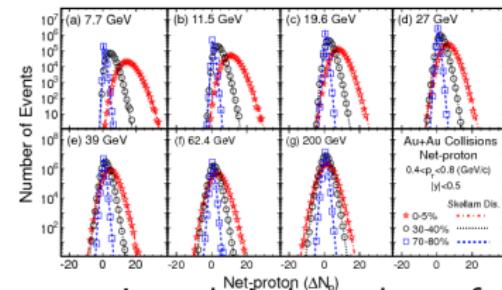
with $\hat{\mu}_i = \mu_i/T$.

We want ratios of the cumulants that are approximately independent of the volume at $\mu_B > 0$, $\langle n_S \rangle = 0$ and $\langle n_Q \rangle = 0.4\langle n_B \rangle$:

$$\frac{M_B}{\sigma_B^2} = \frac{\chi_1^B(T, \hat{\mu}_B)}{\chi_2^B(T, \hat{\mu}_B)} = \hat{\mu}_B r_{12}^{B,1} + \hat{\mu}_B^3 r_{12}^{B,3} + \dots$$

$$\frac{S_B \sigma_B^3}{M_B} = \frac{\chi_3^B(T, \hat{\mu}_B)}{\chi_1^B(T, \hat{\mu}_B)} = r_{31}^{B,0} + \hat{\mu}_B^2 r_{31}^{B,2} + \dots$$

$$\kappa_B \sigma_B^2 = \frac{\chi_4^B(T, \hat{\mu}_B)}{\chi_2^B(T, \hat{\mu}_B)} = r_{42}^{B,0} + \hat{\mu}_B^2 r_{42}^{B,2} + \dots$$



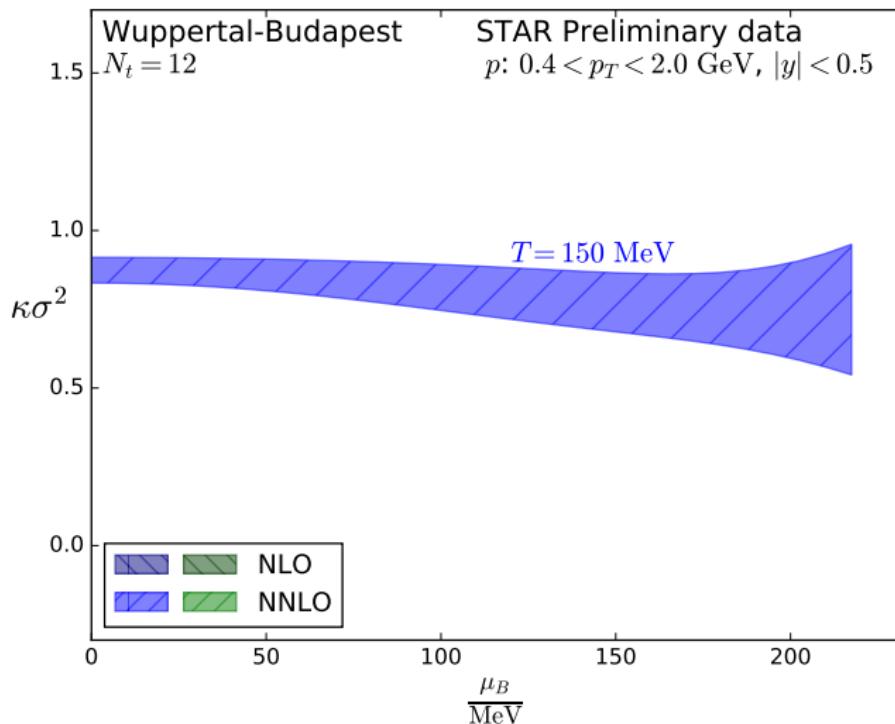
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plot: [STAR, Adamczyk:2013dal]

Measured observables

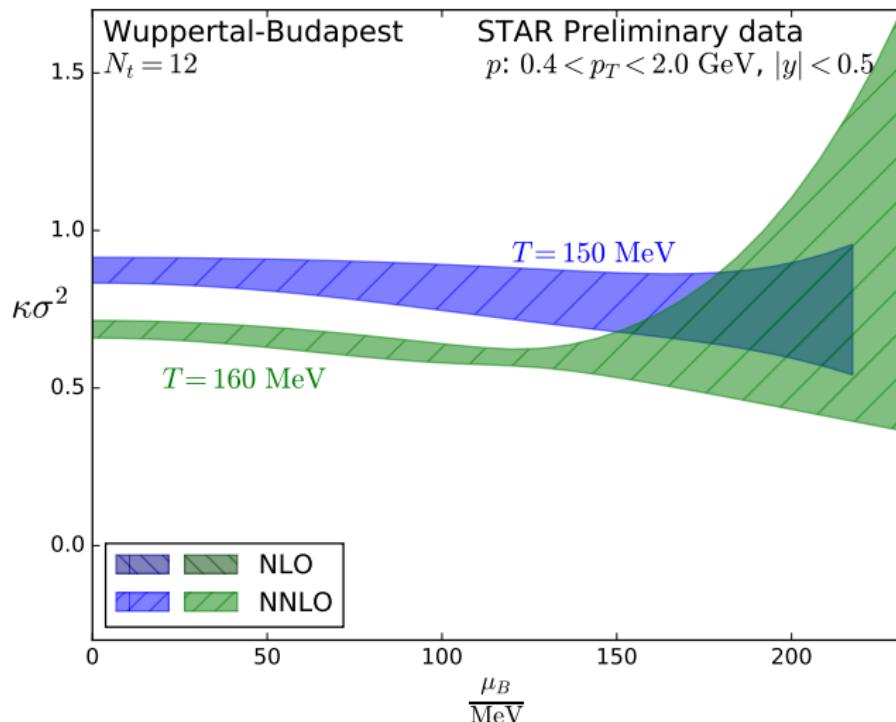
On each ensemble we measure the $\chi_{i,j,k}^{BQS}$ up to the fourth derivative:

- χ_1^B
- χ_2^B
- χ_3^B
- χ_4^B
- χ_1^Q
- $\chi_{1,1}^{BQ}$
- $\chi_{1,2}^{BQ}$
- $\chi_{1,3}^{BQ}$
- χ_1^S
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- χ_2^Q
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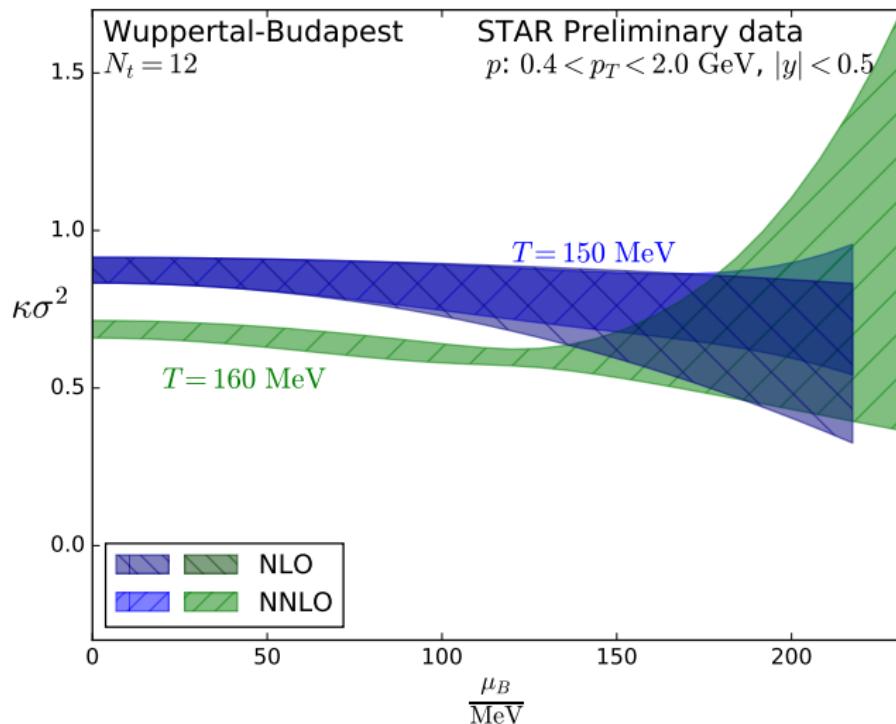
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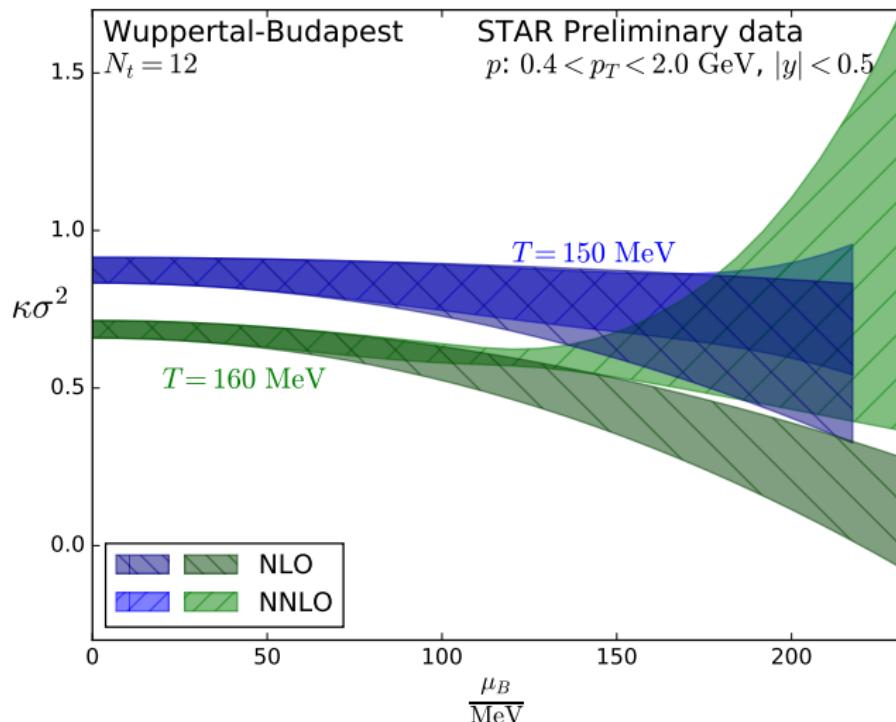
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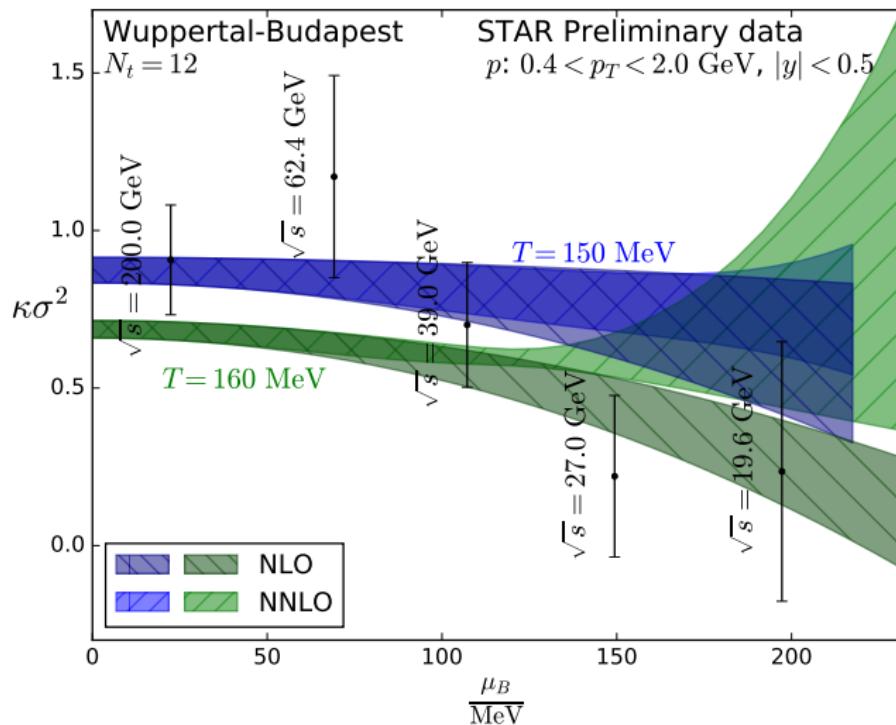
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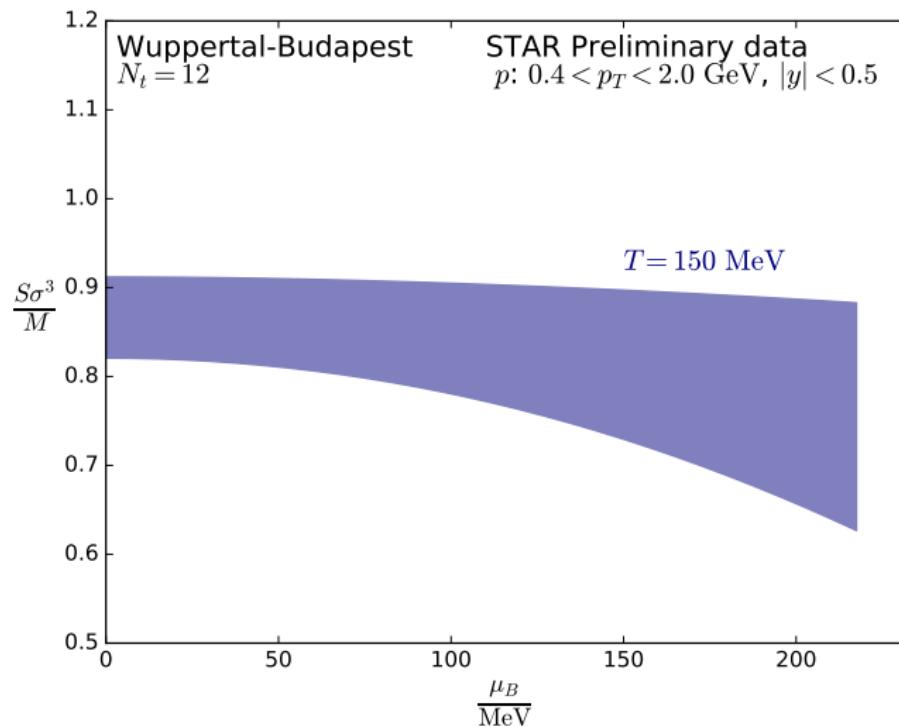
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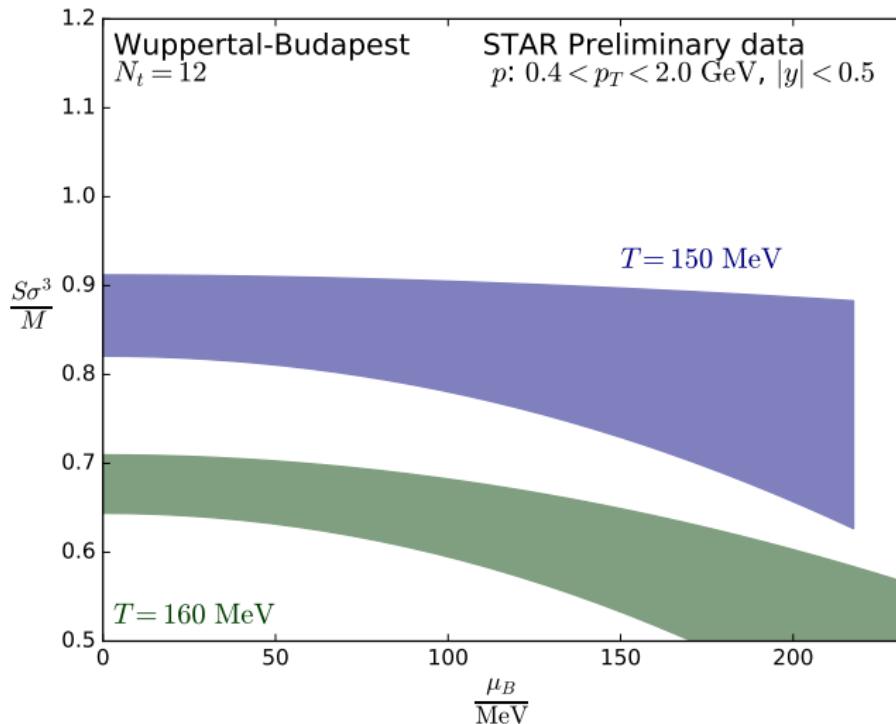
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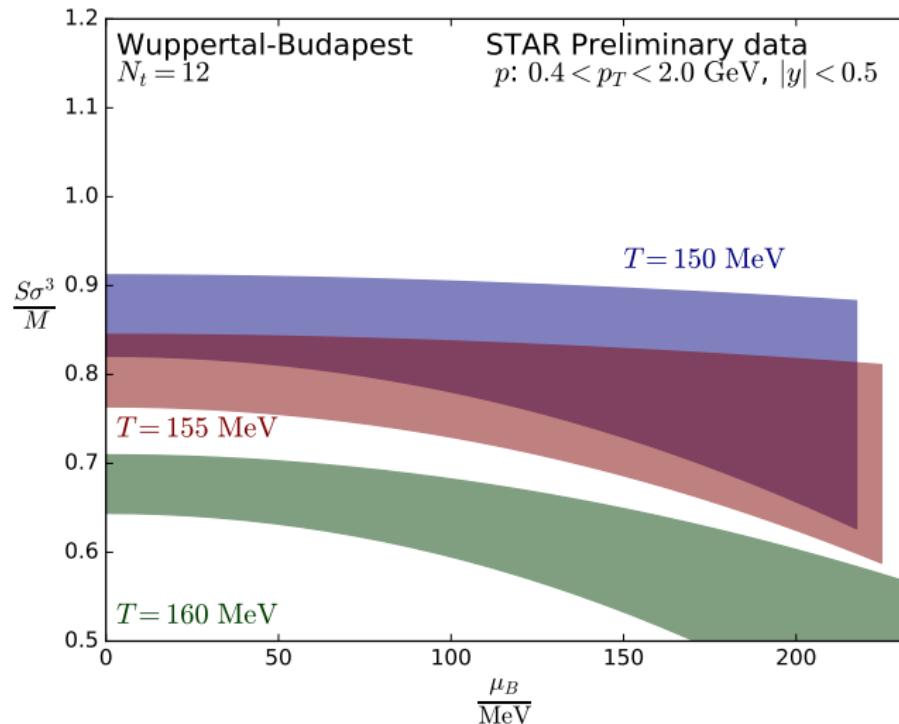
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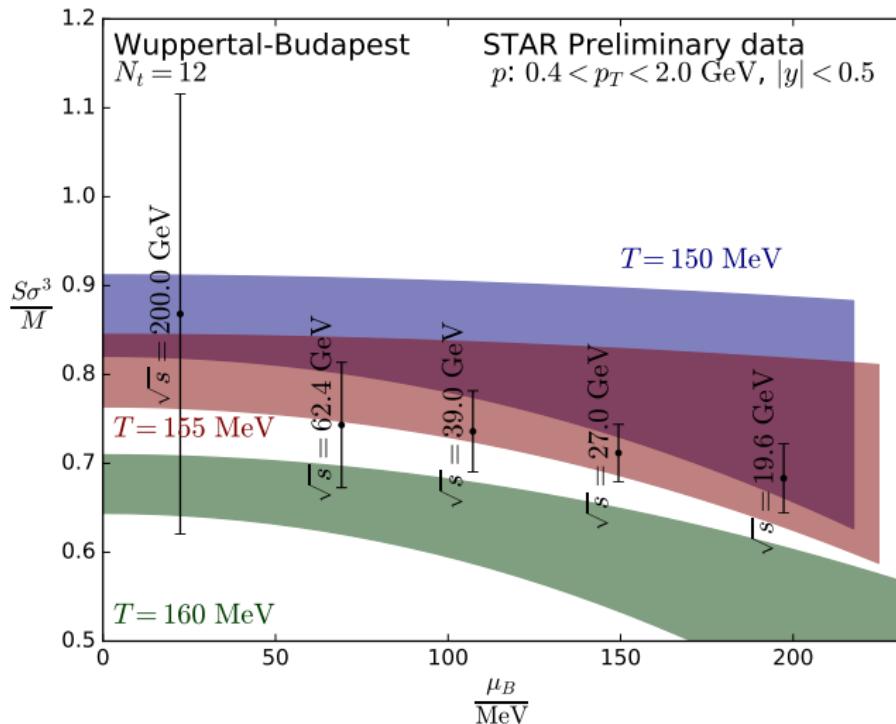
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Convergence radius estimators

- ① Ratio test for the pressure:

$$p(\mu) = p_0 + p_2 \hat{\mu}^2 + p_4 \hat{\mu}^4 + p_6 \hat{\mu}^6 + \dots$$

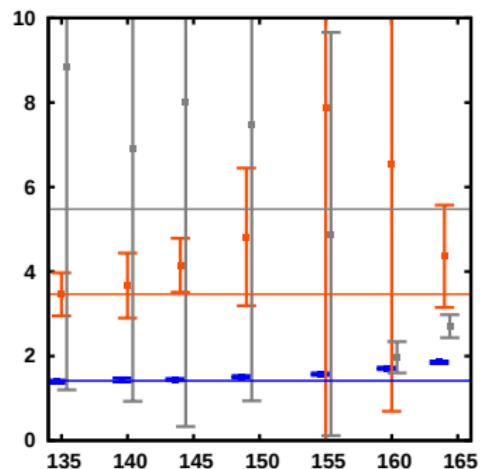
$$\text{Ratio test} \rightarrow r_{2n}^P = \sqrt{\frac{p_{2n}}{p_{2n+2}}}$$

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$$\text{Ratio test} \rightarrow r_{2n}^\chi = \sqrt{\frac{2n(2n-1)}{(2n+1)(2n+2)}} r_{2n}^P$$

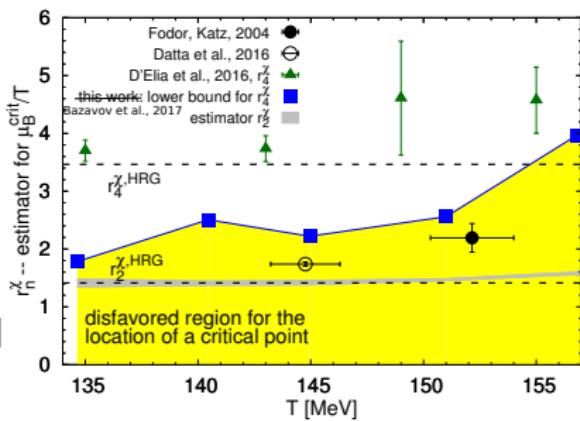
Ratios for the radius of convergence



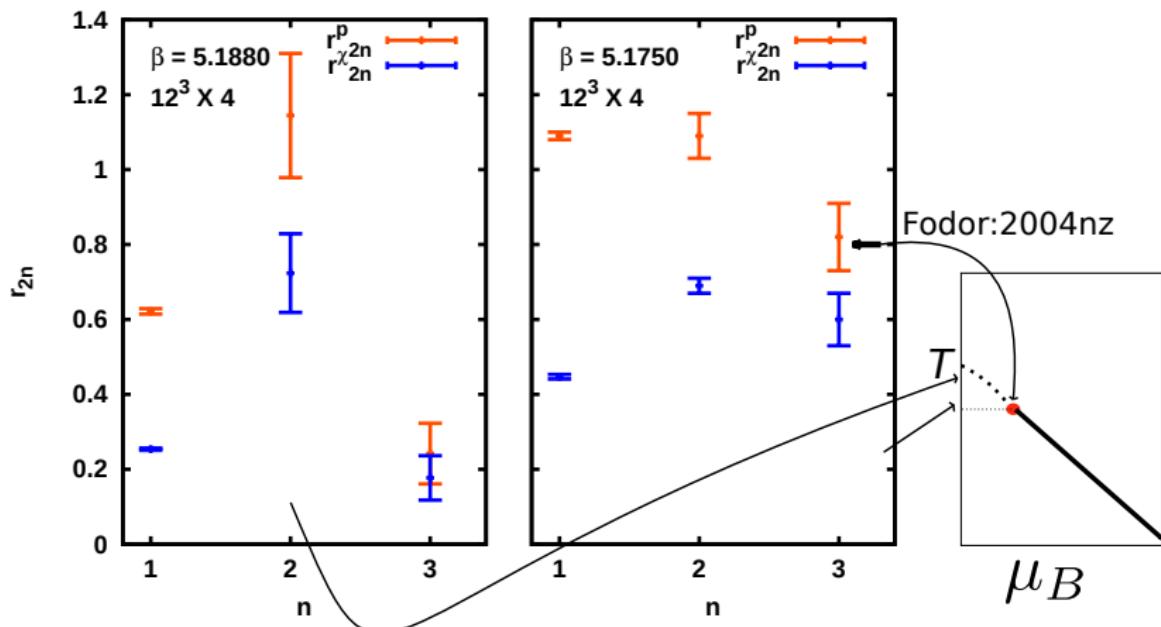
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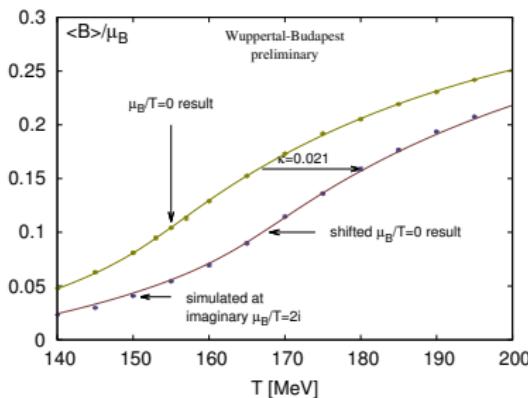
$r_{\chi_2}^{\chi}$ at $N_t=12$ (blue line with square markers)
 $r_{\chi_4}^{\chi}$ at $N_t=12$ (orange line with square markers)
 $r_{\chi_6}^{\chi}$ at $N_t=12$ (grey line with square markers)
 $r_{\chi_2}^{\chi}$ in HRG (blue line)
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$N_t = 4$ Toy model with critical endpoint



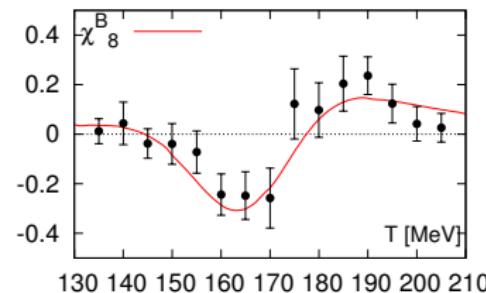
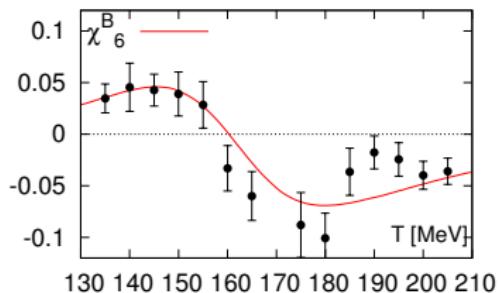
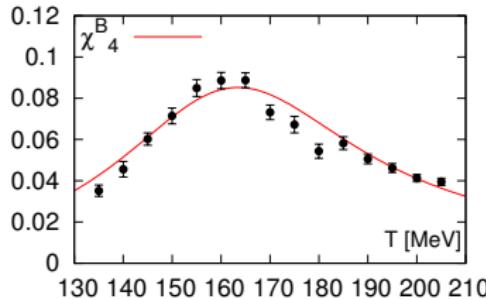
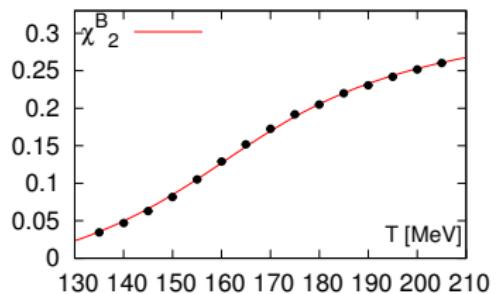
Toy model without critical endpoint



- Start with some parametrization of the curve χ_1^B / μ_B at $\mu = 0$
- Assume that the only difference in the physics at finite μ is a shift in this curve
- The inflection point of this curve is one possible definition of T_c , so shift the curve by using the κ values found in the literature
- You now have a model prediction of χ_1^B for any finite μ , differentiate it a few times at $\mu = 0$ to get estimates of χ_4^B , χ_6^B and χ_8^B

NOTE: The model assumes no criticality

Fluctuations in the toy model



RED CURVE: The simple model described in the previous slide without criticality

Summary

