

Numerical simulations to understand QCD phase transition at high temperature and density

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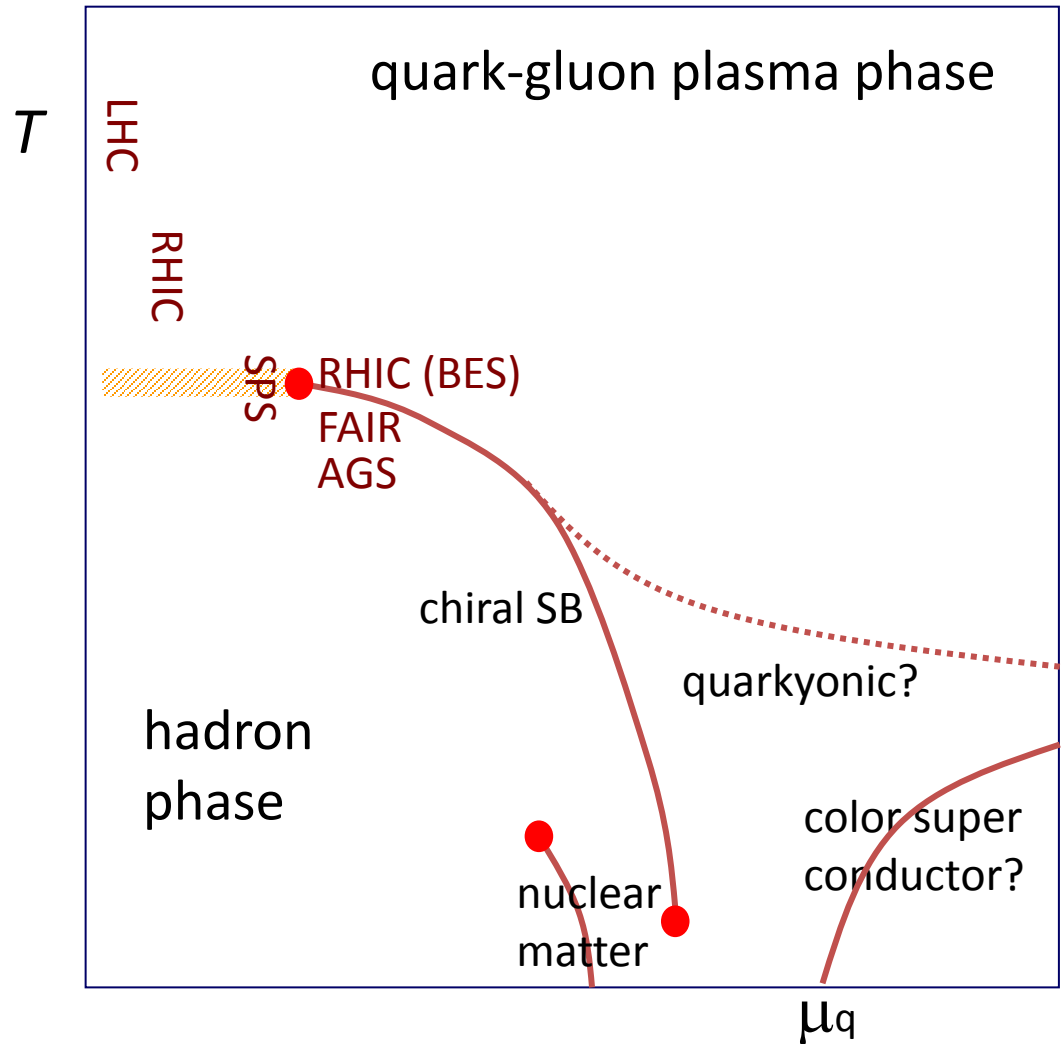
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Phase structure of QCD at high temperature and density

- Phase transition lines
- Critical point
- Equation of state
- Thermodynamic quantities

Lattice QCD Simulations

- Direct simulation:
Impossible at $\mu \neq 0$.



Heavy-ion collisions at RHIC and LHC

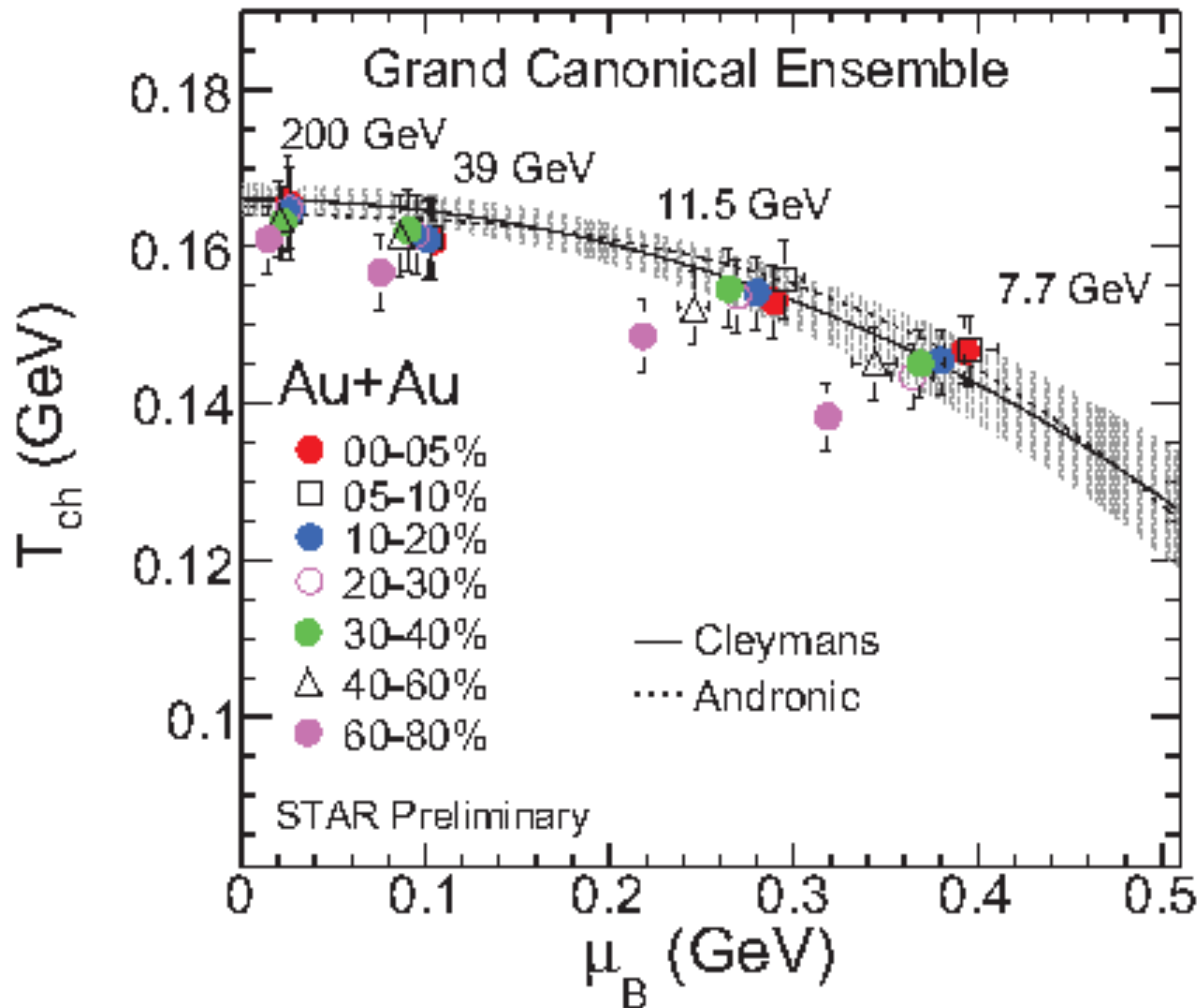
- Beam energy scan at RHIC
 - Fluctuations
 - Higher order cumulant
 - Baryon number distribution
 - Canonical partition function

M. Kitazawa

A. Nakamura

RHIC Beam Energy Scan

- Investigate the density dependence changing the beam energy

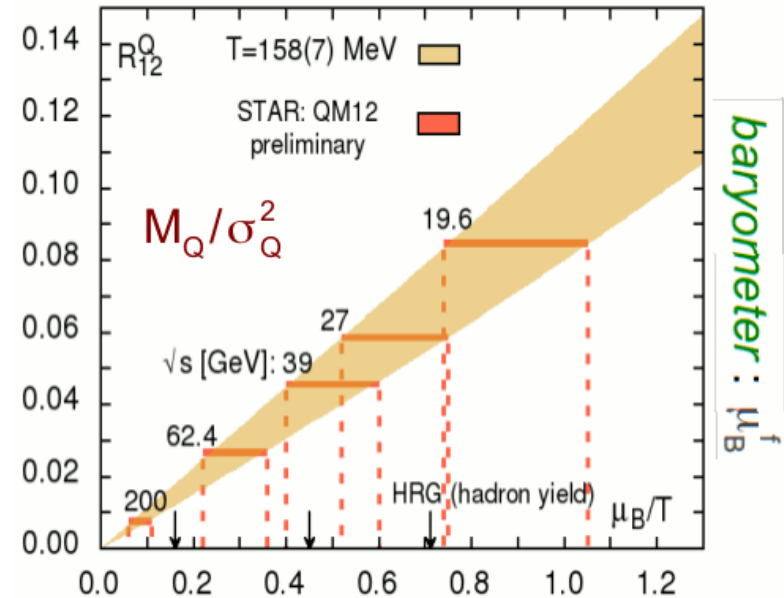
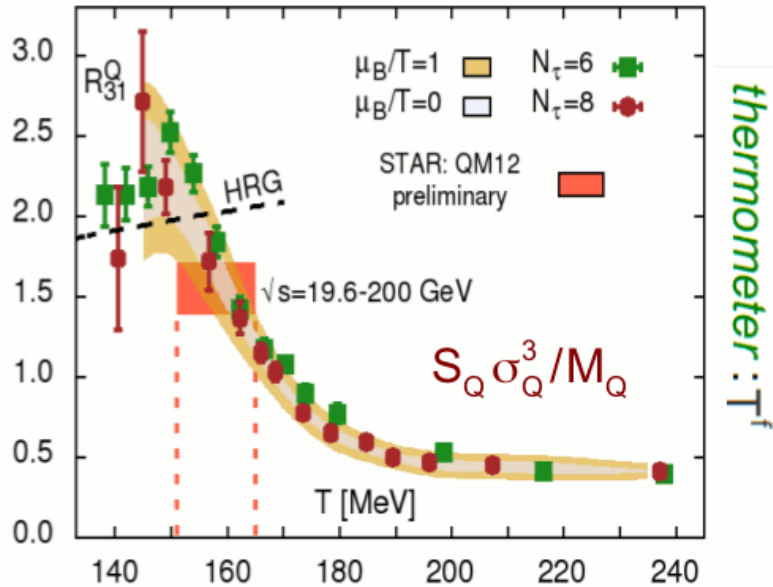


STAR, 2012
BES-I

BES-II: planning

Cumulants of conserved charges

BNL-Bielefeld, Phys. Rev. Lett. 109, 192302 (2012)

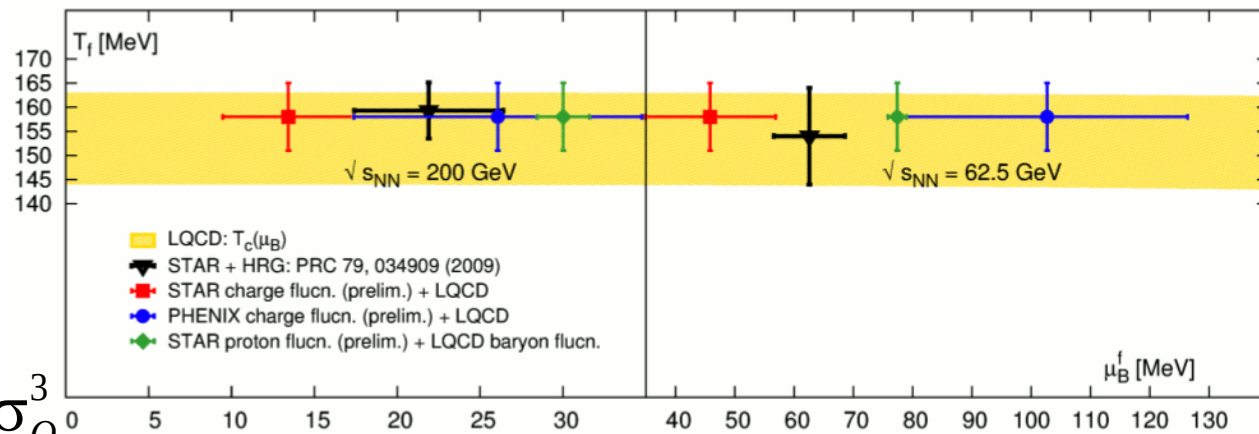


- Taylor expansion method

mean value $M_Q = \langle n_Q \rangle$

deviation $\sigma_Q^2 = \langle (\delta n_Q)^2 \rangle$

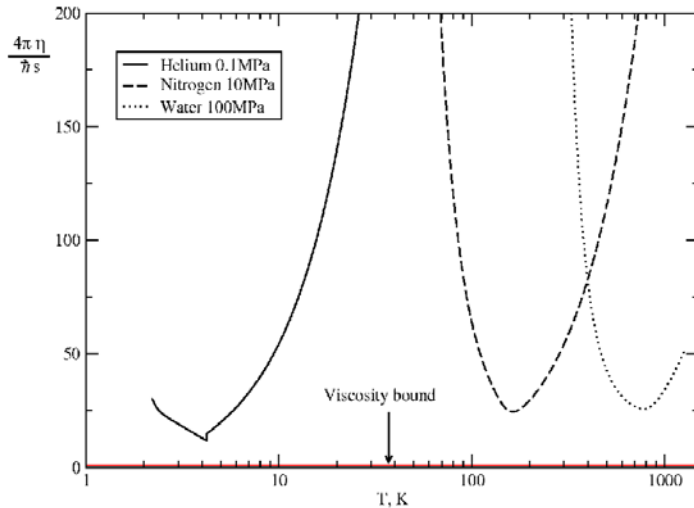
skewness $S_Q = \langle (\delta n_Q)^3 \rangle / \sigma_Q^3$



Heavy-ion collisions at RHIC and LHC

- Hydrodynamics in HIC
 - Equation of State: Energy density, Pressure
T. Umeda
 - Energy-Momentum tensor from Wilson flow: useful?
T. Hatsuda, H. Suzuki
 - Transport coefficients: Viscosity etc.
???

Viscosity in QGP

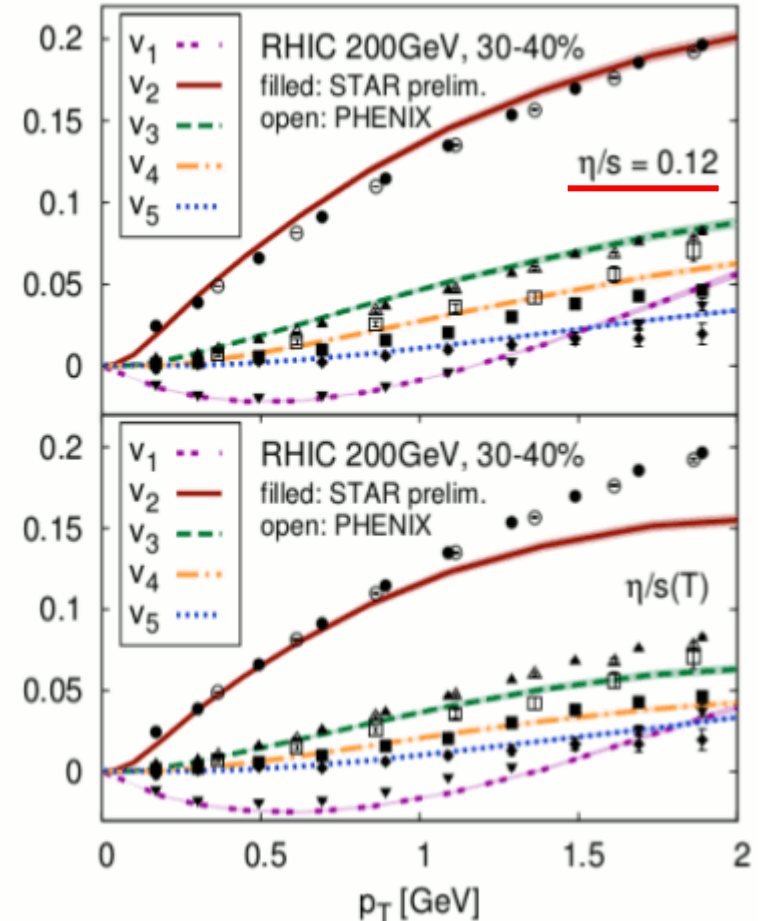


Lower limit
 $\eta/s = 1/(4\pi) \langle v_n^2 \rangle^{1/2}$
 ≈ 0.08

Kovtun, Son, Starinets, PRL 94, 111601 (2005)

- Viscose Hydrodynamics calculation
 e.g. $\eta/s \approx 0.12$
- Lattice calculation: in the stage of quenched approximation

Gale et al, PRL 110, 012302 (2012)



Nature of the phase transitions in terms of quark masses

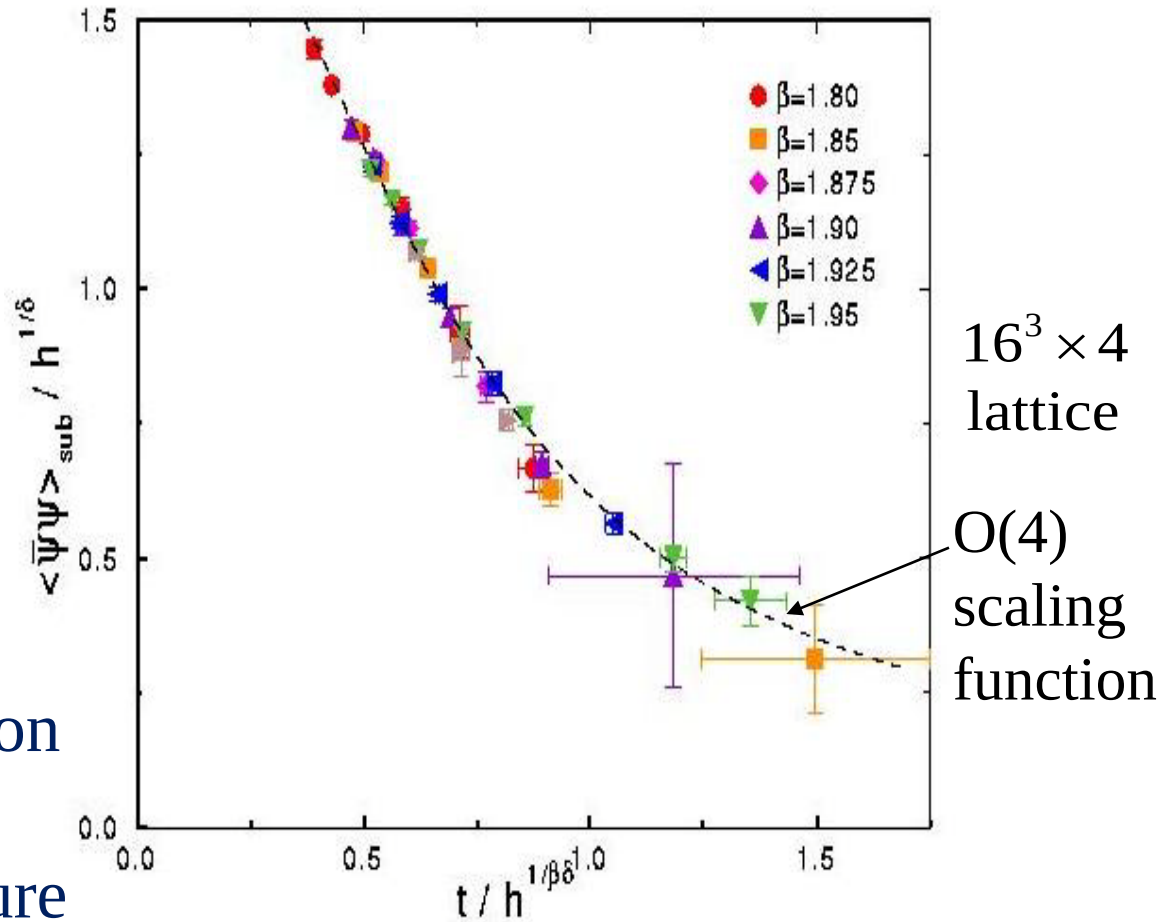
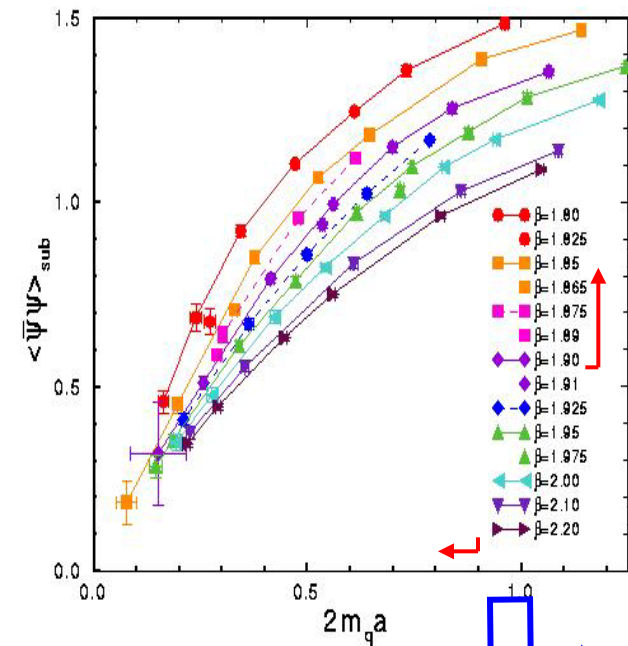
- 2-flavor QCD: the chiral limit
 - $O(4)$ universality class or First order transition
 - $U_A(1)$ symmetry? S. Aoki, Y. Taniguchi
- 3-flavor QCD: critical quark mass
 - Improved staggered: very small, $m_{PS} < 60 \text{ MeV}$?
 - Improved Wilson? Large? Y. Nakamura
 - At the physical quark mass?
- Finite chemical potential?
S. Takeda, SE

O(4) scaling test by $N_f=2$ Wilson-type quark

Iwasaki gauge + Clover Wilson (CP-PACS, PRD63.034502(2000))

$$M/h^{1/\delta} = f(t/h^{1/\beta\delta}) \quad \beta_{ct} = 1.469(73)$$

$$\chi^2/N_{df} = 0.816$$

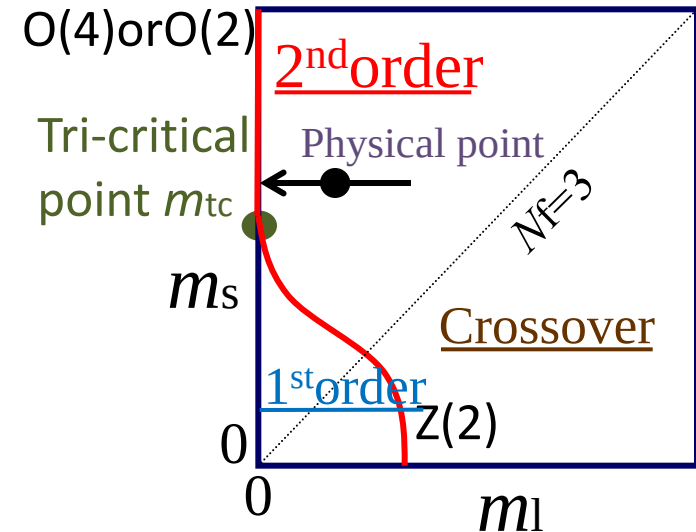
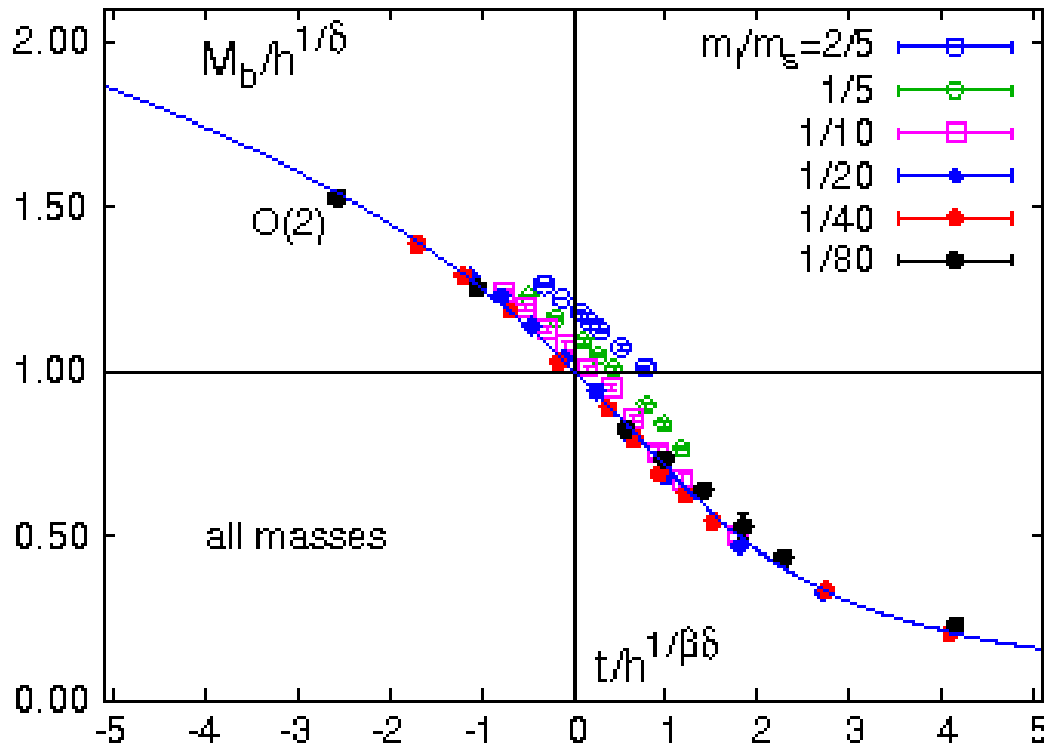


M : Chiral condensation
 h : quark mass
 t : reduced temperature

Consistent with O(4) scaling function.

Scaling test by 2+1 flavor staggered quarks

BNL-Bielefeld, PRD80,094505(2009)

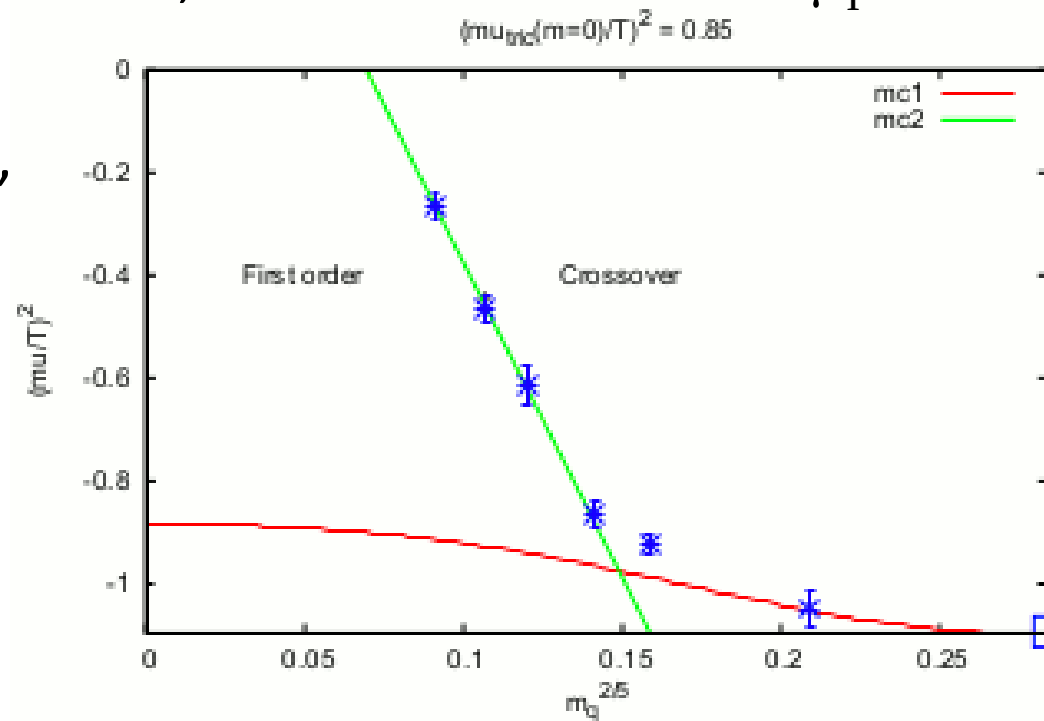


- Fixing the strange quark mass (m_s) at the physical point, they investigated the light quark mass (m_l) dependence.
- The scaling behavior agrees for $m_l/m_s < 1/20$ ($\sim$ physical point)
- (Tricritical point) $< m_s$ (physical) $\Rightarrow$ the first order region is very small. 10

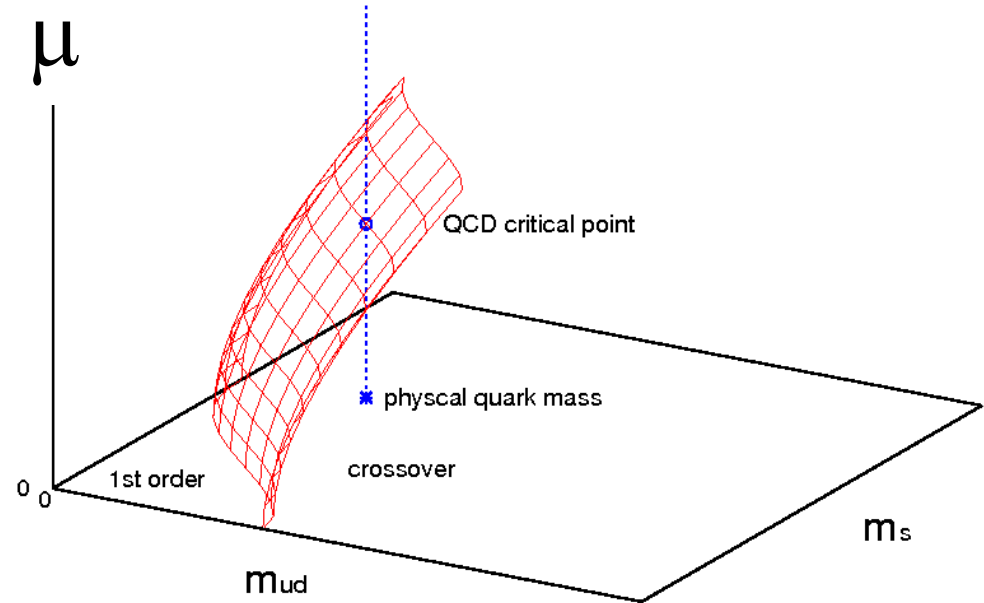
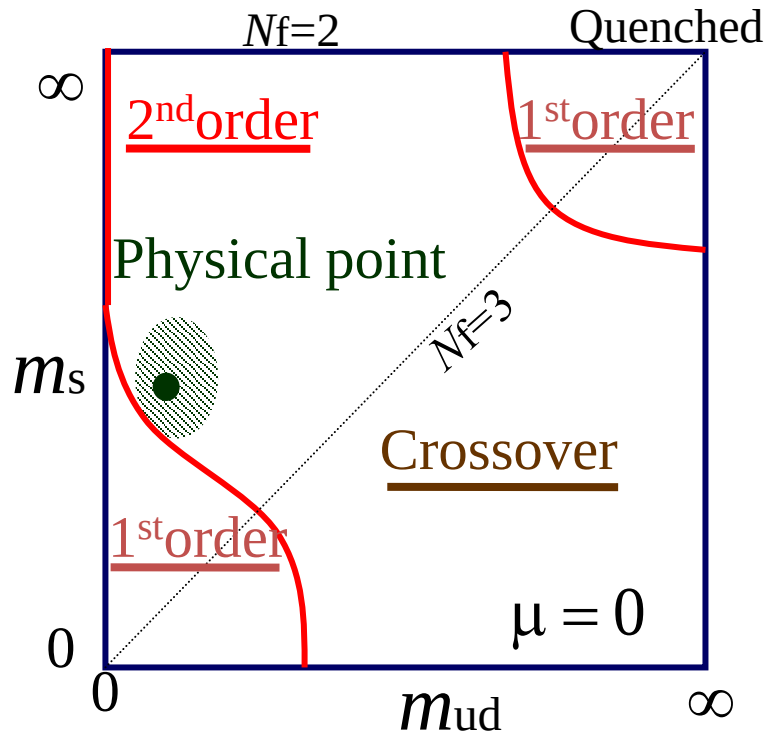
First order transition in 2-flavor QCD by staggered quarks

- The critical line separating first order and crossover is determined in QCD with an imaginary chemical potential μ_I .
- Extrapolate to light mass direction, the critical line crosses $\mu_I=0$.
- But, $N_t=4$

(Bonati, D'Elia, de Forcrand,
Philipsen, Sanfilippo,
arXiv:1311.0473,
Lattice 2013 proc.)



Quark Mass dependence of QCD phase transition



- The determination of the boundary of 1st order region: important.
- On the line of physical mass, the crossover at low density $\Rightarrow$ 1st order transition at high density.
- However, the 1st order region is very small, and simulations with very small quark mass are required. $\Rightarrow$ Difficult to study.

New and Old Approaches

- Complex Langevin I-O. Stamatescu
- Simulations on Lefschets Thimbles
M. Cristoforetti, Y. Kikukawa
- Strong Coupling effective theory A. Ohnishi
- Reduction formula, Lee-Yang Zero K. Nagata
- Reweighting method SE
- TBA Handa??

Histogram method (Reweighting method)

- Monte-Carlo method

(S_g : gauge action, M : quark matrix)

- Generate configurations with the probability of the Boltzmann weight.

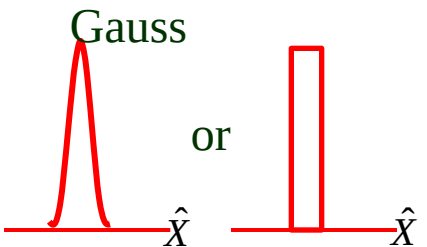
$$\langle O \rangle_{(m,T,\mu)} = \frac{1}{Z} \int DU O (\det M(m, \mu))^{N_f} e^{-S_g} \approx \frac{1}{N_{\text{conf.}}} \sum_{\{\text{conf.}\}} O$$

- Distribution function in Density of state method (Histogram method)

X : order parameters, total quark number, average plaquette etc.

$$W(X; m, T, \mu) \equiv \int DU \delta(X - \hat{X}) (\det M(m, \mu))^{N_f} e^{-S_g}$$

$$\frac{W(X)}{Z} \approx \frac{1}{N_{\text{conf.}}} \sum_{\{\text{conf.}\}} \delta(X - \hat{X})$$

$$\delta(\hat{X}) \approx \text{Gauss} \quad \text{or} \quad \text{Histogram}$$


- Expectation values

$$\langle O[X] \rangle_{(m,T,\mu)} = \frac{1}{Z} \int dX O[X] W(X, m, T, \mu), \quad Z(m, T, \mu) = \int dX W(X, m, T, \mu)$$

Effective potential $V_{\text{eff}}(X)$

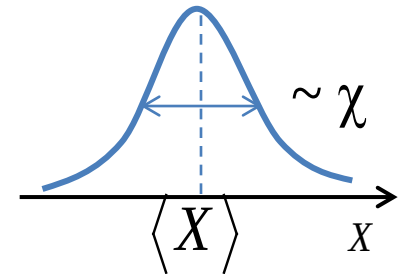
Probability distribution function (histogram)

histogram

- If $W(X)$ is a Gaussian distribution,

- The peak position of $W(X)$ $\longrightarrow$ $\langle X \rangle$
- The width of $W(X)$ $\longrightarrow$ susceptibilities

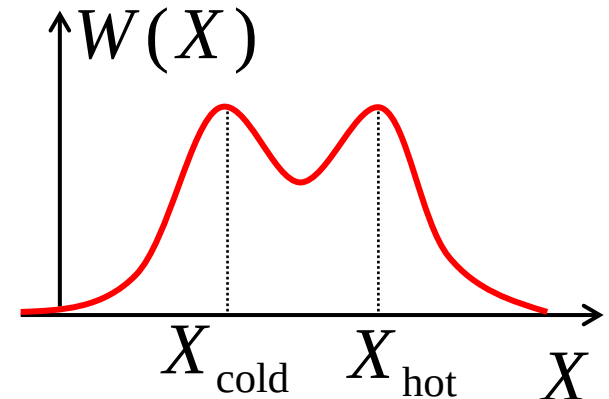
$$\chi = V \langle (X - \langle X \rangle)^2 \rangle$$



$$W(X) \approx \sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}} e^{-A(X - \langle X \rangle)^2}$$

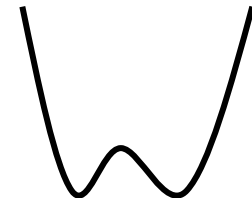
$$A \propto V/\chi$$

- First order phase transition
Two phases coexists at T_c



- If $W(X)$ have two peaks,
 $\longrightarrow$ first order transition

- Effective potential: $V_{\text{eff}}(X) \equiv -\ln(W(X))$



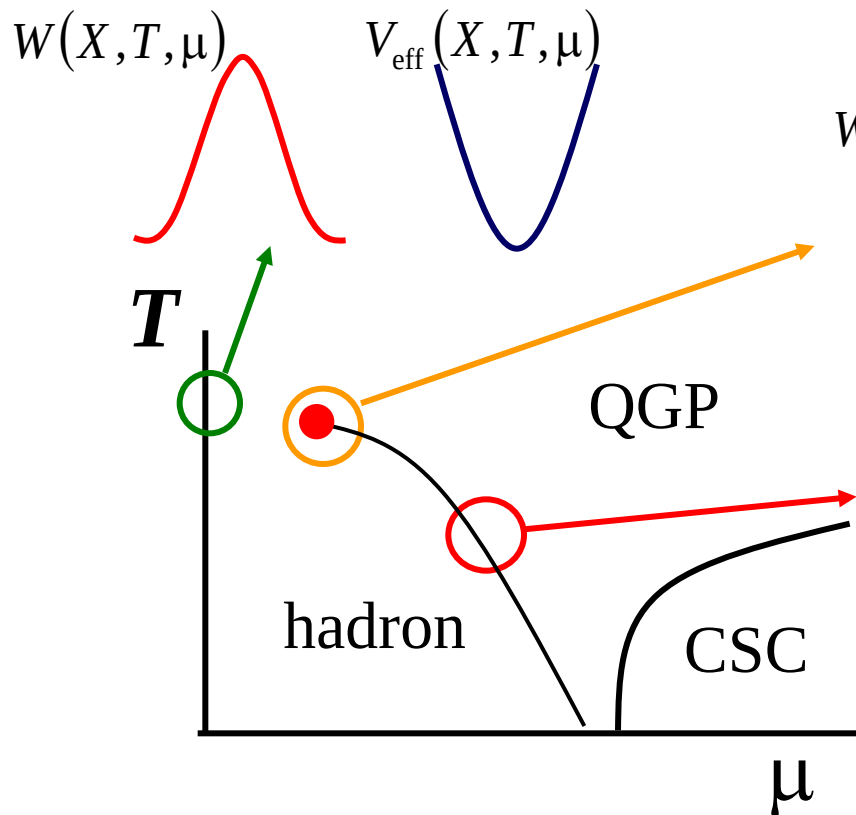
Distribution function & the effective potential

$$W(X; m, T, \mu) \equiv \int DU \delta(X - \hat{X}) (\det M(m, \mu))^{N_f} e^{-S_g} \quad (\text{Histogram})$$

X : order parameters, total quark number, average plaquette, etc.

Crossover

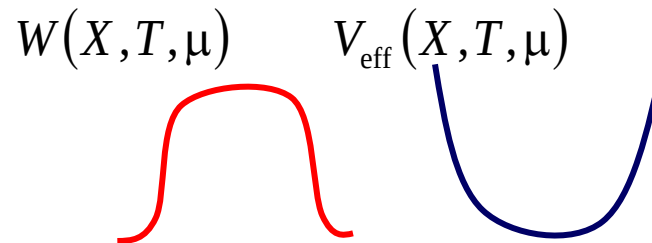
$W(X)$: Gaussian function
 $V(X)$: Quadratic function



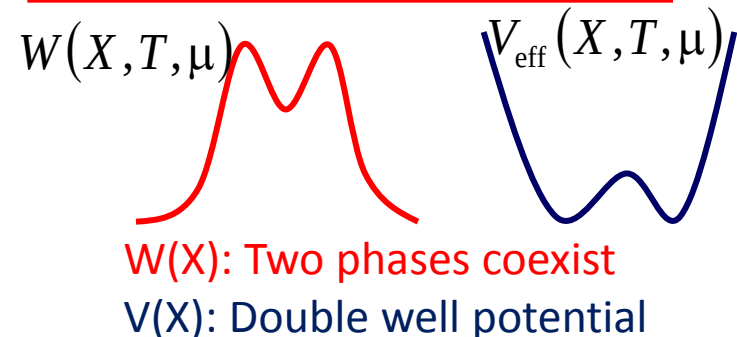
$$V_{\text{eff}}(X) = -\ln W(X)$$

Critical point

$W(X)$: Flat
 $V(X)$: Curvature: Zero



1st order phase transition



Reweighting method for plaquette distribution function

$$W(P, \beta, m, \mu) \equiv \int DU \delta(\hat{P} - P) \prod_{f=1}^{N_f} \det M(m_f, \mu_f) e^{6N_{\text{site}} \beta \hat{P}} \quad S_g = -6N_{\text{site}} \beta \hat{P}$$

$$(\beta = 6/g^2)$$

plaquette P (1x1 Wilson loop for the standard action)

$$R(P, \beta, \beta_0 m, m_0, \mu) \equiv W(P, \beta, m, \mu) / W(P, \beta_0, m_0, 0) \quad \text{(Reweight factor)}$$

$$R(P) = \frac{\left\langle \delta(\hat{P} - P) e^{6N_{\text{site}}(\beta - \beta_0)\hat{P}} \prod_f \frac{\det M(m_f, \mu_f)}{\det M(m_0, 0)} \right\rangle_{(\beta_0, \mu=0)}}{\left\langle \delta(\hat{P} - P) \right\rangle_{(\beta_0, \mu=0)}} \equiv \left\langle e^{6N_{\text{site}}(\beta - \beta_0)\hat{P}} \prod_f \frac{\det M(m_f, \mu_f)}{\det M(m_0, 0)} \right\rangle_{P:\text{fixed}}$$

Effective potential:

$$V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta, m, \mu) = -\ln[W(P, \beta, m, \mu)] = V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta_0, m_0, 0) - \ln R(P, \beta, \beta_0 m, m_0, \mu)$$

$$\ln R(P) = \underline{6N_{\text{site}}(\beta - \beta_0)P} + \ln \left\langle \underline{\prod_f \frac{\det M(m_f, \mu_f)}{\det M(m_0, 0)}} \right\rangle_{P:\text{fixed}}$$

Sign problem

$$\left\langle \left(\frac{\det M(m, \mu)}{\det M(m_0, 0)} \right)^{N_f} \right\rangle_{X \text{ fixed}} = \left\langle e^{i\theta} \left| \frac{\det M(m, \mu)}{\det M(m_0, 0)} \right|^{N_f} \right\rangle_{X \text{ fixed}}$$

θ : complex phase of $(\det M)^{N_f}$

- Sign problem: if $e^{i\theta}$ changes the sign frequently,

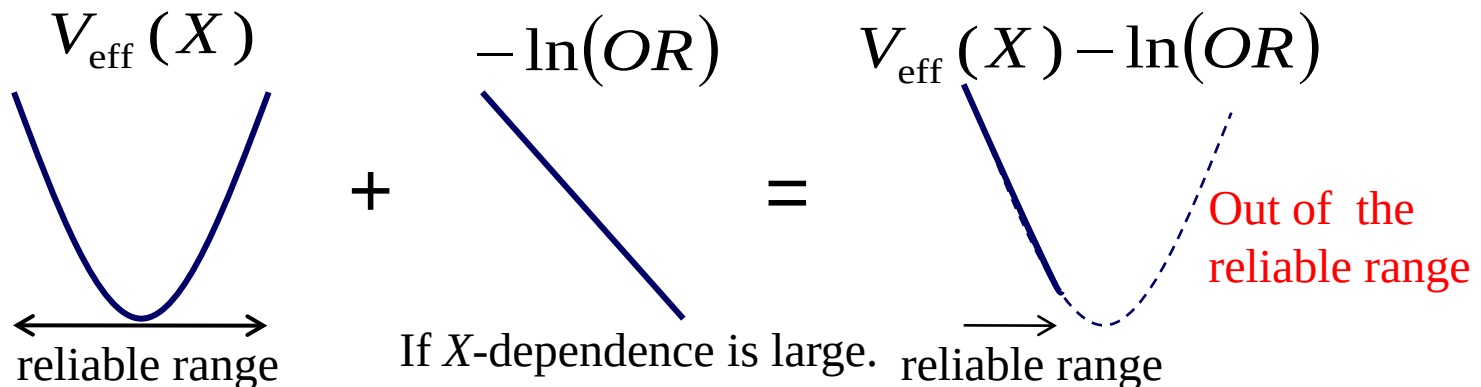
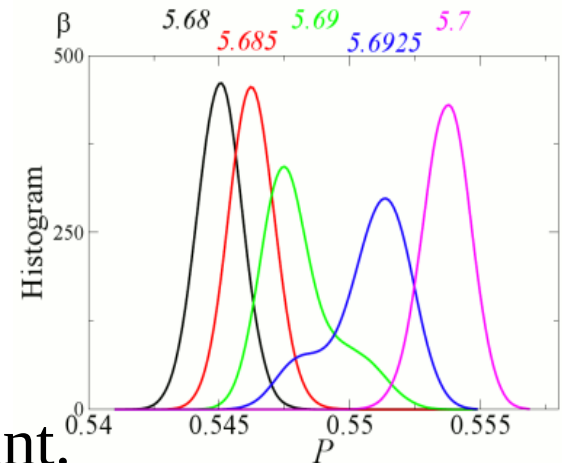
$$W(X) \sim \left\langle e^{i\theta} \left| \frac{\det M(m, \mu)}{\det M(m_0, 0)} \right|^{N_f} \right\rangle_{X \text{ fixed}} \ll (\text{statistical error})$$

Overlap problem

$$\langle OR \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int ORW(X) dX = \frac{1}{Z} \int \exp(-V_{\text{eff}}(X) + \ln(OR)) dX$$

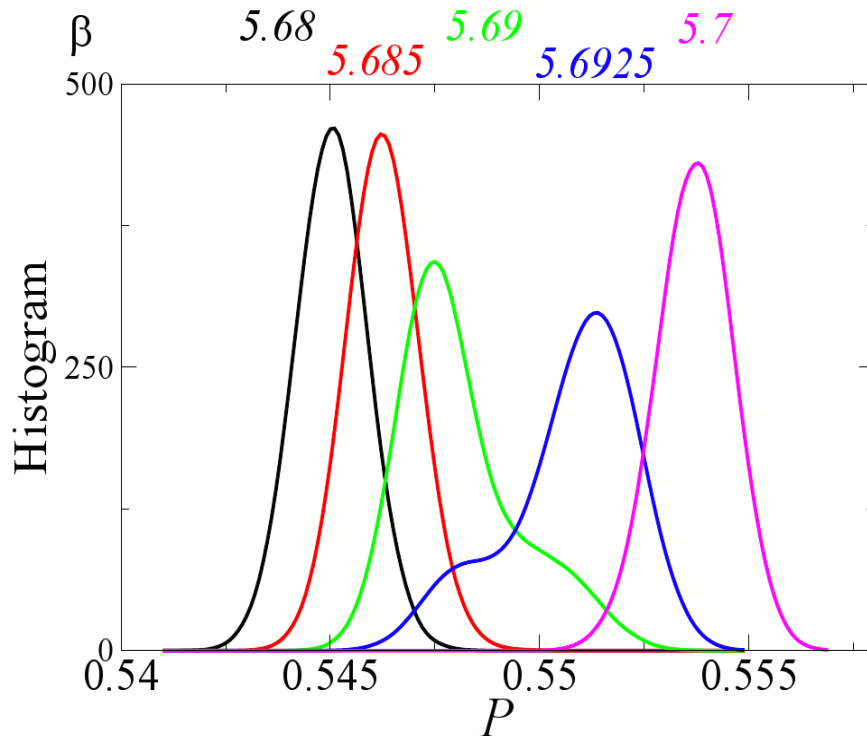
$$V_{\text{eff}}(X) = -\ln W(X)$$

- W is computed from the histogram.
- Distribution function around X where $V_{\text{eff}}(X) - \ln(OR)$ is minimized: important.
- V_{eff} must be computed in a wide range.

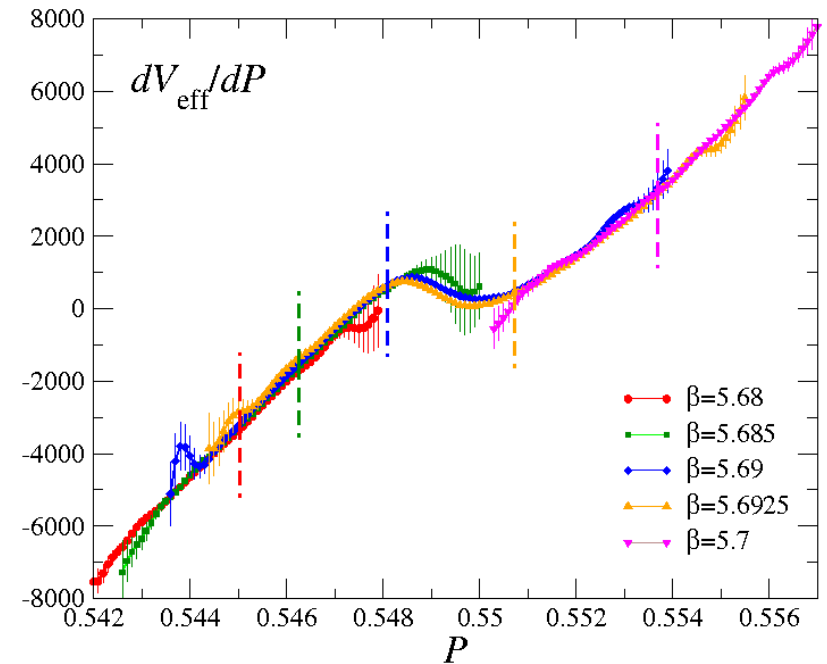


Distribution function in quenched simulations

Plaquette histogram at $K=1/m_q=0$.



Derivative of V_{eff} at $\beta=5.69$



$$V_{\text{eff}}(\beta_2) = V_{\text{eff}}(\beta_1) - 6N_{\text{site}}(\beta_2 - \beta_1)P$$

$$\frac{dV_{\text{eff}}}{dP}(\beta_2) = \frac{dV_{\text{eff}}}{dP}(\beta_1) - 6N_{\text{site}}(\beta_2 - \beta_1)$$

First order phase transition

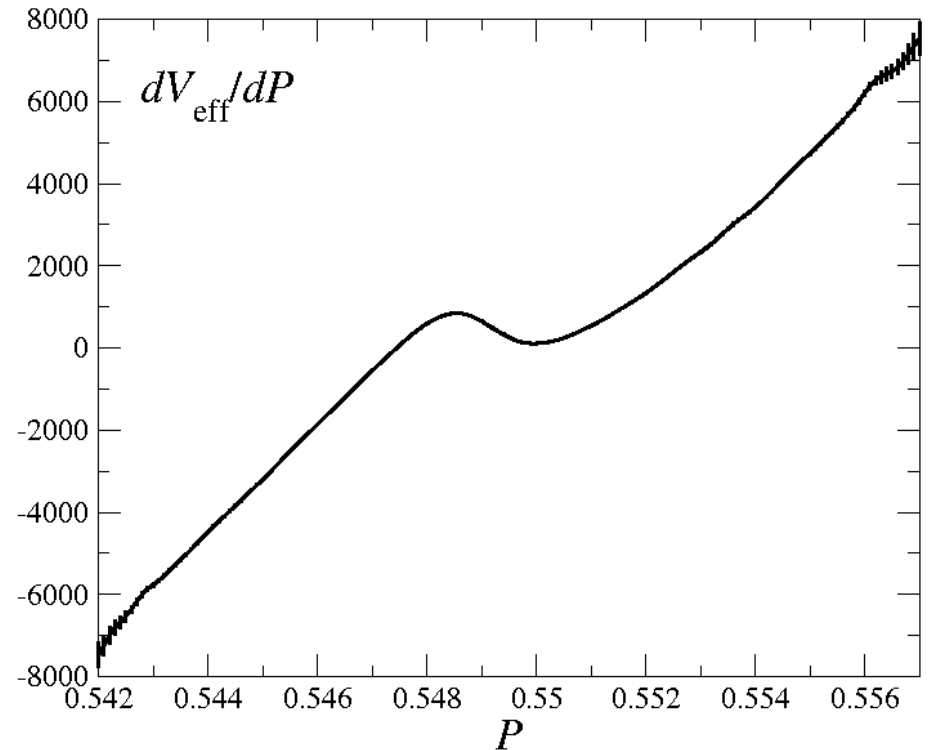
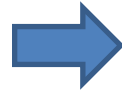
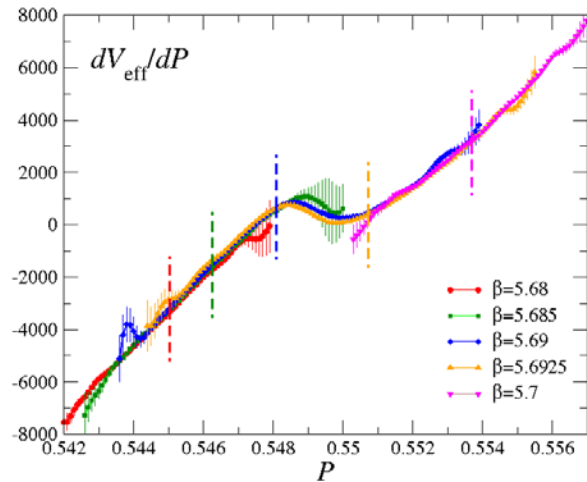
$dV_{\text{eff}}/dP = 0$ at the peak position of $V_{\text{eff}}(P)$.

In this case, the curvature of V_{eff} is independent of β .

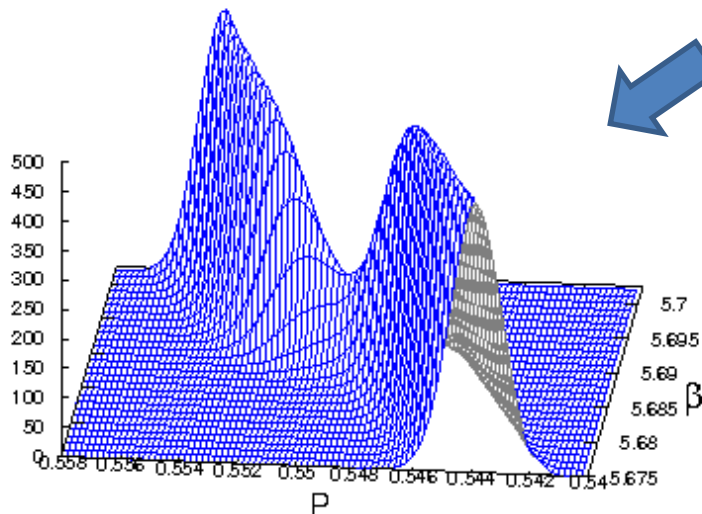
$$N_{\text{site}} = 24^3 \times 4$$

Distribution function in a quenched simulation

Derivative of the plaquette effective potential



Plaquette distribution function

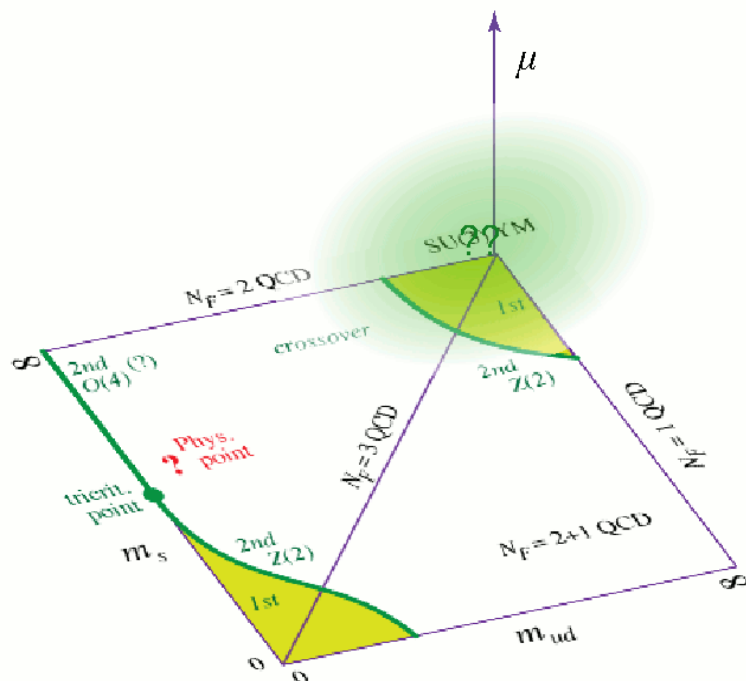


multi-point reweighting method

- Adopting β , average with the weight of N_{conf}
- Ferrenberg-Swendsen, Phys.Rev.Lett. 63, 1195 (1989); S.E., Phys. Rev. D78, 074507 (2008); WHOT-QCD, [arXiv:1309.2445](https://arxiv.org/abs/1309.2445).

Distribution function in the heavy quark region

(WHOT-QCD Collab., Phys.Rev.D84, 054502(2011); arXiv:1309.2445)



- We study **the properties of $W(X)$** in the heavy quark region.
- Performing quenched simulations + Reweighting.
- **We find the critical surface.**
- Standard Wilson quark action + plaquette gauge action, $S_g = -6N_{\text{site}}\beta P$
- $24^3 \times 4$ lattice

Hopping parameter expansion

$$\kappa \sim 1/(\text{quark mass})$$

$$N_f \ln \left(\frac{\det M(\kappa, \mu)}{\det M(0,0)} \right) = N_f \left(288 N_{\text{site}} \kappa^4 P + 12 \cdot 2^{N_t} N_s^3 \kappa^{N_t} \left(\cosh(\mu/T) \Omega_R + \underline{\underline{i \sinh(\mu/T) \Omega_I}} \right) + \dots \right)$$

phase

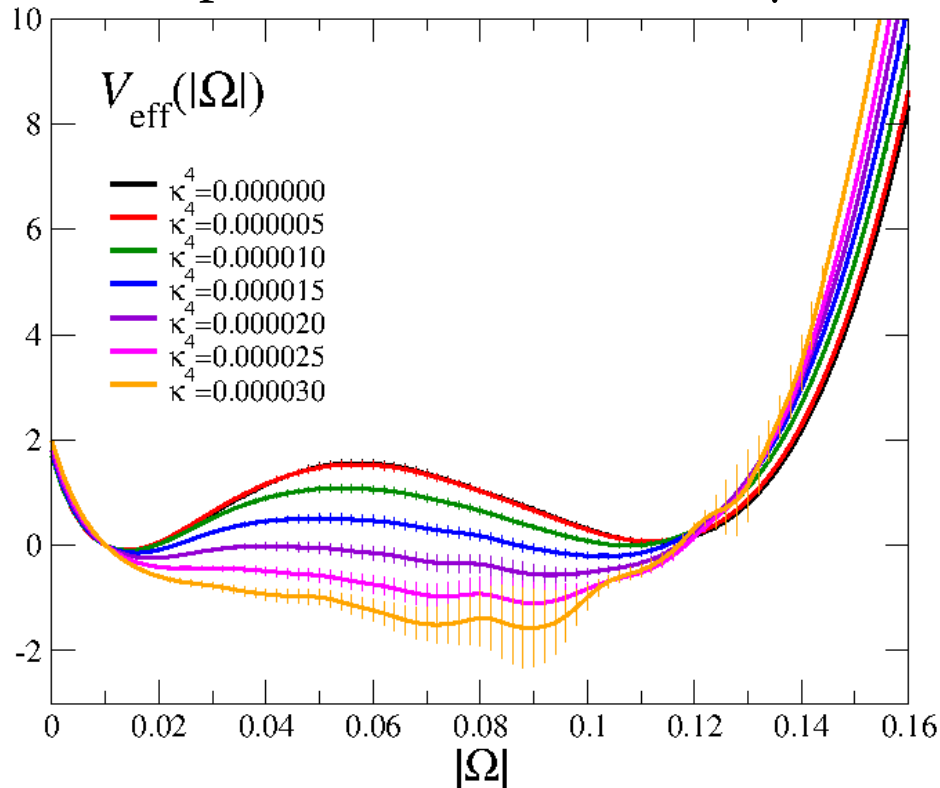
P : plaquette, $\Omega = \Omega_R + i\Omega_I$: Polyakov loop

$$\det M(0,0) = 1$$

Order of the phase transition

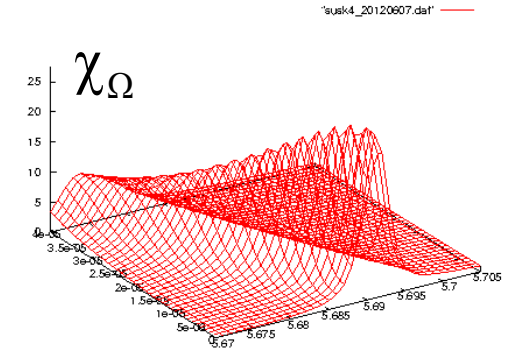
Polyakov loop distribution (2-flavor)

Effective potential of $|\Omega|$
on the pseudo-critical line at $\mu=0$



Critical point : $\kappa^4 \approx 2.0 \times 10^{-5}$

- The pseudo-critical line is determined by χ_Ω peak.



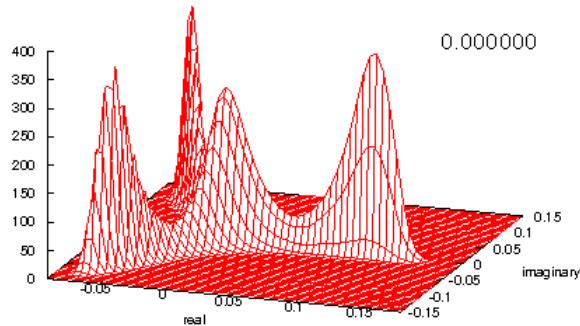
- Double-well at small κ
 - First order transition
- Single-well at large κ
 - Crossover

$\kappa \sim 1/(\text{quark mass})$

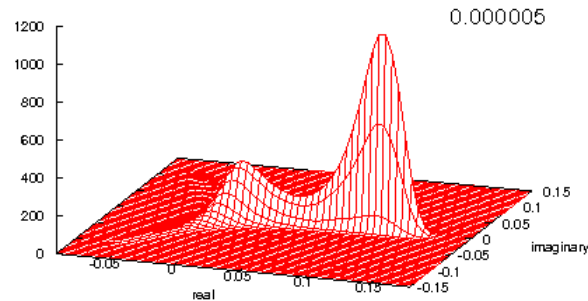
Polyakov loop distribution in the complex plane

(2-flavor, $\mu=0$)

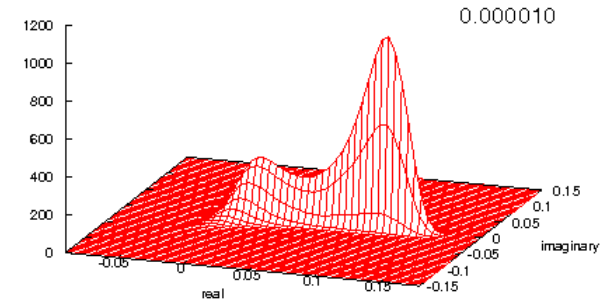
$\kappa^4 = 0.0$ **Z(3) symmetric**



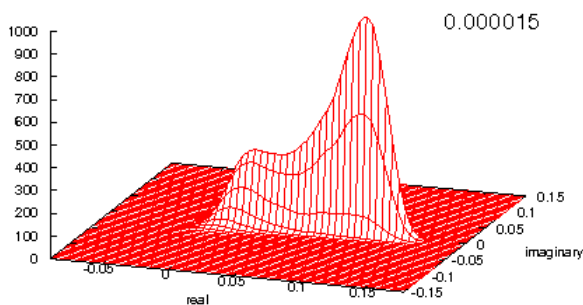
$\kappa^4 = 5.0 \times 10^{-6}$



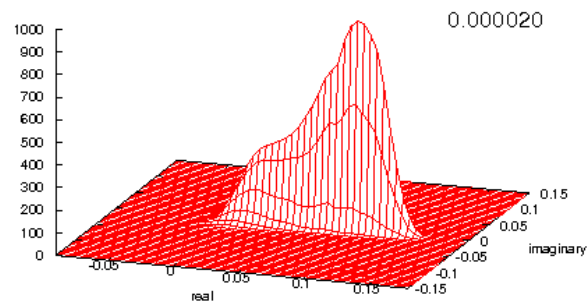
$\kappa^4 = 1.0 \times 10^{-5}$



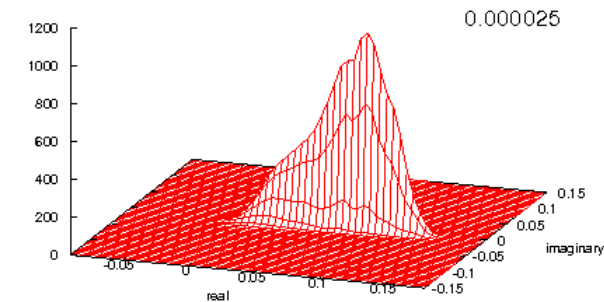
$\kappa^4 = 1.5 \times 10^{-5}$



$\kappa^4 = 2.0 \times 10^{-5}$



$\kappa^4 = 2.5 \times 10^{-5}$

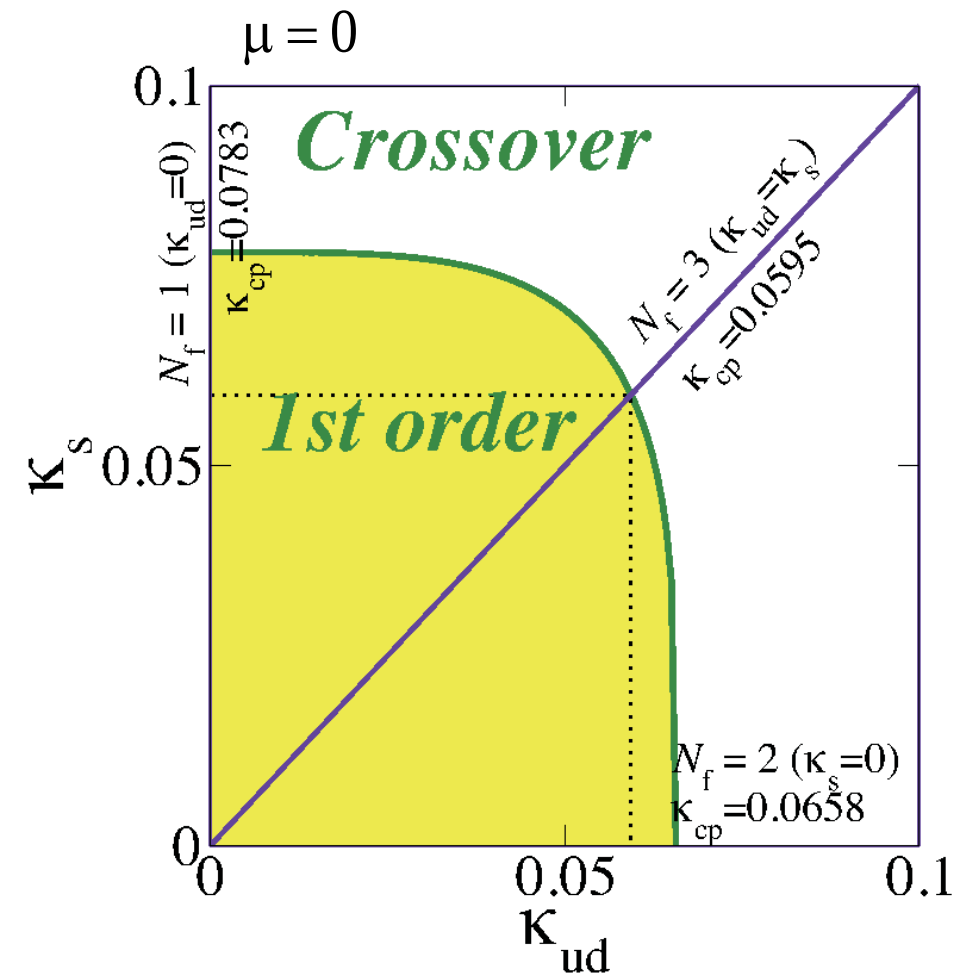


critical point

- on β_{pc} measured by the Polyakov loop susceptibility.

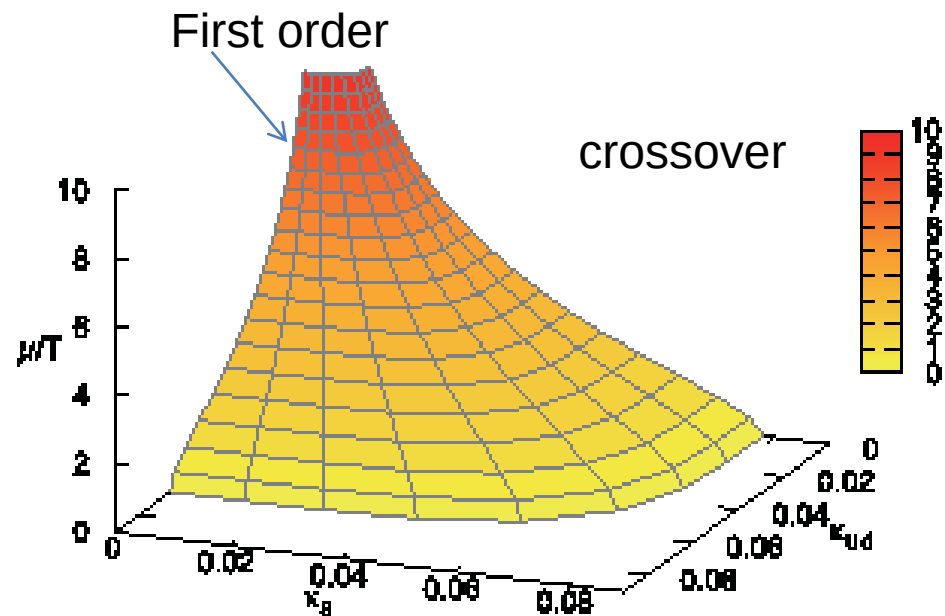
Critical surface in the heavy quark region of (2+1)-flavor QCD

($24^3 \times 4$ lattice)



$$\frac{T_c}{m_\pi} \approx 0.02 \quad \text{at } \kappa_{cp} \text{ for 2-flavor}$$

Critical surface at finite density



Control Parameters in $W(X)$

- Distribution function

$$W(X; \kappa, \beta, \mu) \equiv \int DU \delta(X - \hat{X}) \prod_{f=1}^{N_f} \det M(\kappa_f, \mu_f) e^{-S_g}$$

$$S_g = -6N_{\text{site}} \beta \underline{\hat{P}}$$

- Hopping parameter expansion

$$\ln \left(\frac{\det M(\kappa, \mu)}{\det M(0, 0)} \right) = 288N_{\text{site}} \kappa^4 \underline{\hat{P}} + 12 \cdot 2^{N_t} N_s^3 \kappa^{N_t} \left(\cosh(\mu/T) \underline{\hat{\Omega}_R} + i \sinh(\mu/T) \underline{\hat{\Omega}_I} \right) + \dots$$

- Three quantities in W : P, Ω_R, Ω_I

- Three parameters

$$(0 \leq |\tanh(\mu_f/T)| < 1)$$

$$\underline{\beta^*} \equiv \beta + \prod_{f=1}^{N_f} 48 \kappa_f^4, \quad \underline{\prod_{f=1}^{N_f} \kappa_f^{N_t} \cosh(\mu_f/T)}, \quad \prod_{f=1}^{N_f} \kappa_f^{N_t} \sinh(\mu_f/T)$$

$$= \prod_{f=1}^{N_f} \kappa_f^{N_t} \cosh(\mu_f/T) \tanh(\mu_f/T)$$

Distribution function of Ω_R at finite density

$$W(\Omega_R, \beta, \kappa, \mu) = \int DU \delta(\Omega_R - \hat{\Omega}_R) (\det M(\kappa))^{N_f} e^{-6 N_{\text{site}} \hat{P}}$$

- Hopping parameter expansion

$$\frac{W(\beta, \kappa, \mu)}{W(\beta_0, 0, 0)} = \left\langle \exp \left[\left(6(\beta - \beta_0) + 288 N_f \kappa^4 \right) N_{\text{site}} \hat{P} - 12 \times 2^{N_t} N_f N_s^3 \kappa^{N_t} \cosh(\mu/T) \hat{\Omega}_R + i\theta \right] \right\rangle_{\Omega_R; \beta_0, \kappa=\mu=0}$$

- Adopting $\beta_0 \equiv \beta + 48 N_f \kappa^4$, $\left(\theta = 12 \cdot 2^{N_t} N_s^3 N_f \kappa^{N_t} \sinh(\mu/T) \hat{\Omega}_I \right)$
- Effective potential: $V_{\text{eff}}(\Omega_R; \beta, \kappa, \mu) = -\ln W(\Omega_R; \beta, \kappa, \mu)$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{eff}}(\beta, \kappa, \mu) &= V_{\text{eff}}(\beta_0, 0, 0) - 12 \times 2^{N_t} N_f N_s^3 \kappa^{N_t} \cosh(\mu/T) \Omega_R - \ln \left\langle e^{i\theta} \right\rangle_{\Omega_R; \beta_0, \kappa=\mu=0} \\ &\equiv V_0(\beta, \kappa, \mu) \quad \underbrace{- \ln \left\langle e^{i\theta} \right\rangle_{\Omega_R; \beta_0, \kappa=\mu=0}}_{\text{Phase average}} \\ &\quad \text{Phase-quenched part} \end{aligned}$$

- V_0 is $V_{\text{eff}}(\mu=0)$ when we replace $\kappa^{N_t} \Rightarrow \kappa^{N_t} \cosh(\mu/T)$
(at $\mu=0$, $V_{\text{eff}}(\beta, \kappa, 0) = V_{\text{eff}}(\beta_0, 0, 0) - 12 \times 2^{N_t} N_f N_s^3 \kappa^{N_t} \Omega_R$)

Avoiding the sign problem

(SE, Phys.Rev.D77,014508(2008), WHOT-QCD, Phys.Rev.D82, 014508(2010))

θ : complex phase $\theta \equiv \text{Im} \ln \det M \approx 12 \cdot 2^{N_t} N_s^3 N_f \kappa^{N_t} \sinh(\mu/T) \Omega_I$

- Sign problem: If $e^{i\theta}$ changes its sign,

$$\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{\Omega_R \text{ fixed}} \ll (\text{statistical error})$$

- Cumulant expansion

$$\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{\Omega_R} = \exp \left[\underbrace{i \langle \theta \rangle_C}_{\rightarrow 0} - \frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle_C - \underbrace{\frac{i}{3!} \langle \theta^3 \rangle_C}_{\rightarrow 0} + \frac{1}{4!} \langle \theta^4 \rangle_C + \dots \right]$$

cumulants

$$\langle \theta \rangle_C = \langle \theta \rangle_{\Omega_R}, \quad \langle \theta^2 \rangle_C = \langle \theta^2 \rangle_{\Omega_R} - \langle \theta \rangle_{\Omega_R}^2, \quad \langle \theta^3 \rangle_C = \langle \theta^3 \rangle_{\Omega_R} - 3 \langle \theta^2 \rangle_{\Omega_R} \langle \theta \rangle_{\Omega_R} + 2 \langle \theta \rangle_{\Omega_R}^3, \quad \langle \theta^4 \rangle_C = \dots$$

– Odd terms vanish from a symmetry under $\mu \leftrightarrow -\mu$ ($\theta \leftrightarrow -\theta$)

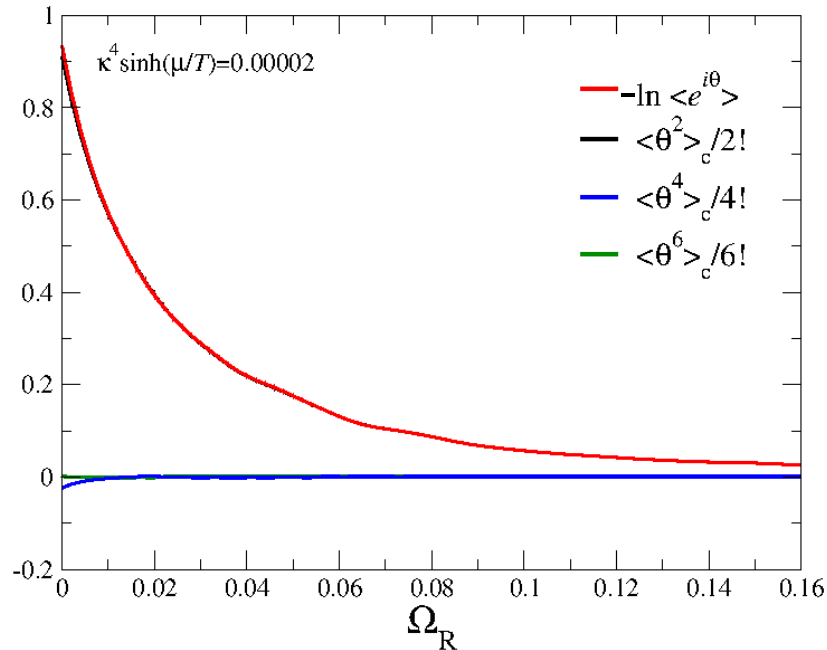
Source of the complex phase

If the cumulant expansion converges, No sign problem.

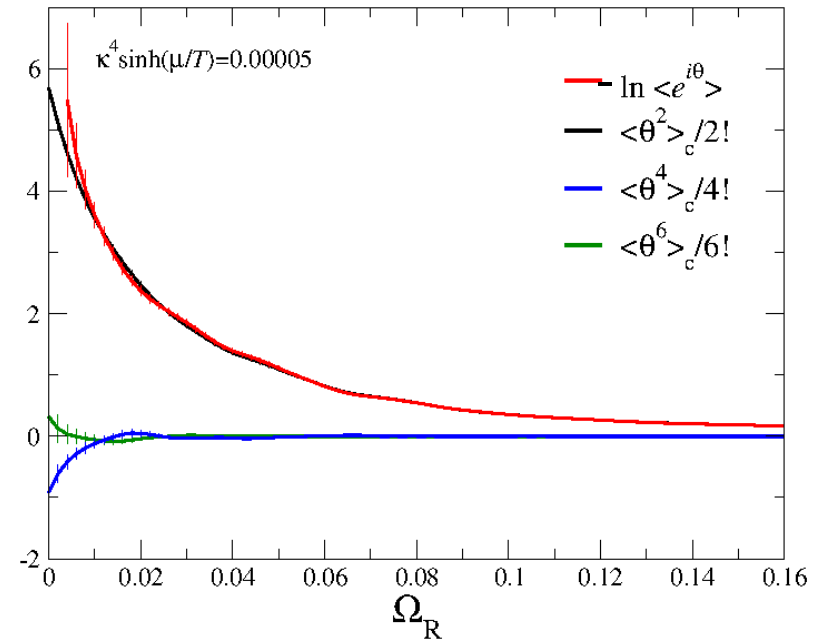
Cumulant expansion

$$\beta_0 = 5.69 \quad \ln \langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{\Omega_R} = -\frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle_c + \frac{1}{4!} \langle \theta^4 \rangle_c - \frac{1}{6!} \langle \theta^6 \rangle_c + \dots$$

$$K^4(\mu) \sinh(\mu/T) = 0.00002$$



$$K^4(\mu) \sinh(\mu/T) = 0.00005$$



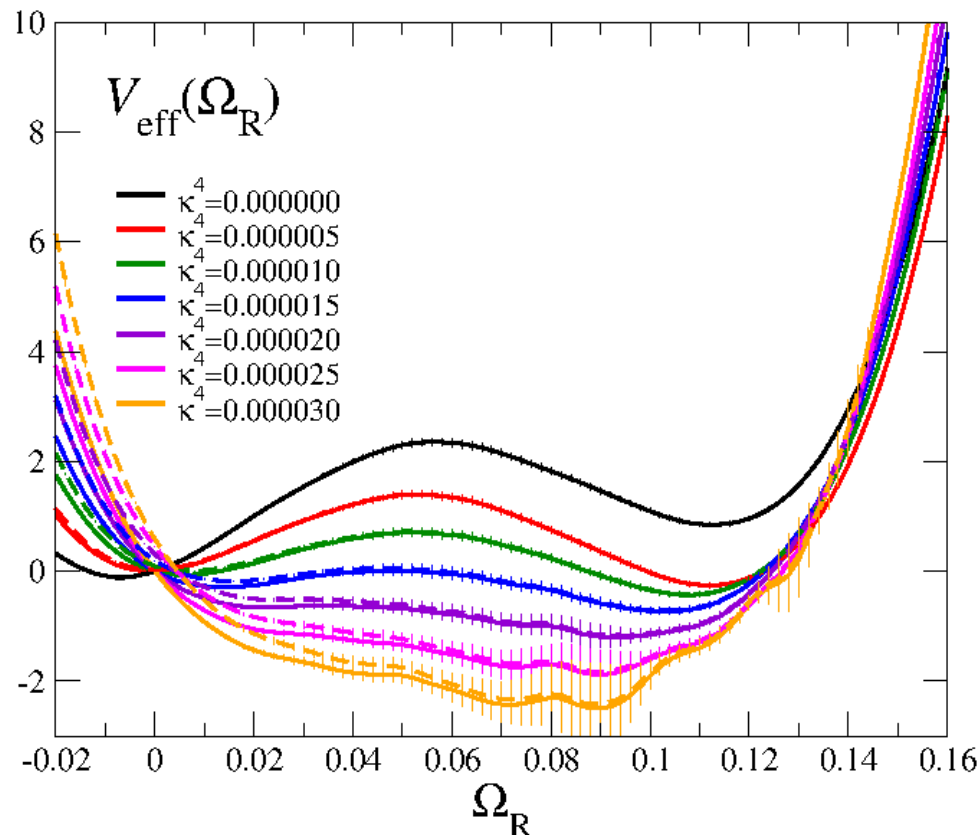
- At the critical point of phase-quenched part, the effect of higher order terms: small.

$$\kappa_{\text{cp}}^{N_t}(0) = \kappa_{\text{cp}}^{N_t}(\mu) \cosh(\mu/T) > \kappa_{\text{cp}}^{N_t}(\mu) \sinh(\mu/T)$$

$$\sim 0.00002$$

Effect from the complex phase factor (2-flavor)

- Polyakov loop effective potential at various $\kappa^{N_t} \cosh(\mu/T)$ at the transition point. (β^* is adjusted at the transition point.)
 - Solid lines: $\mu=0$, i.e., $\cosh(\mu/T)=1$, $\tanh(\mu/T)=0$
 - Dashed lines: $\tanh(\mu/T)=1$



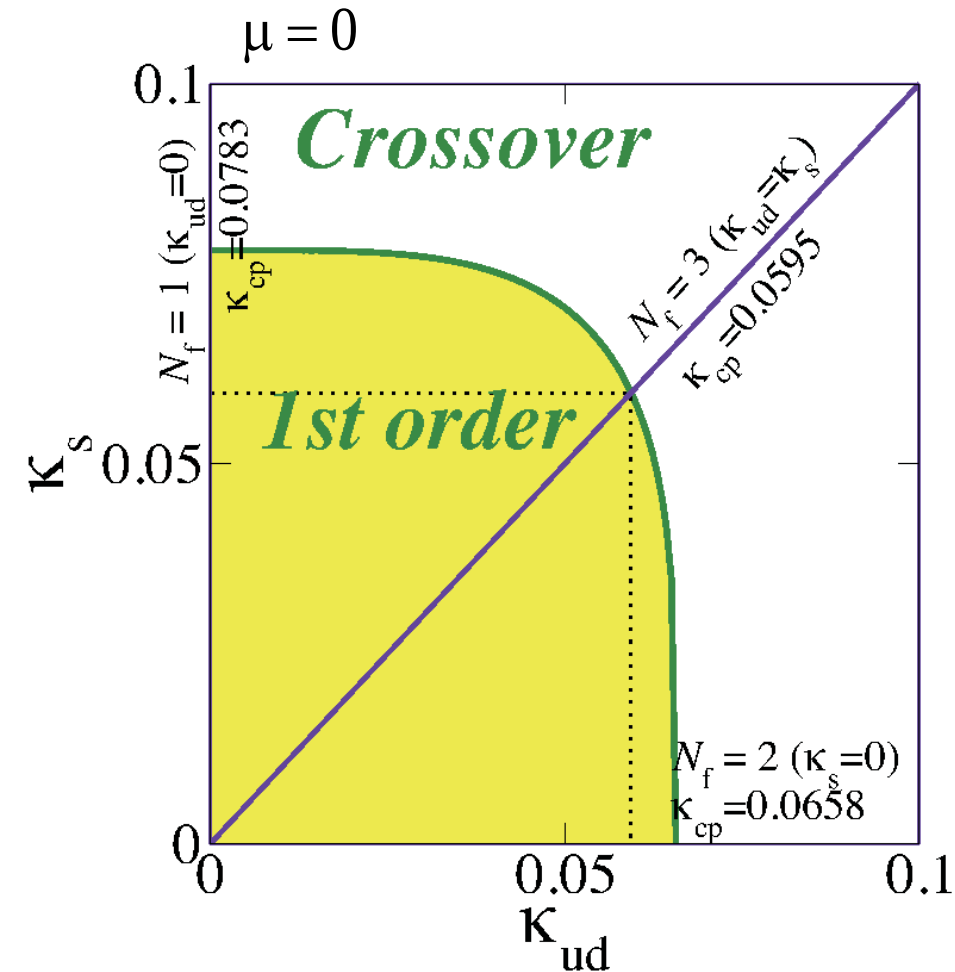
The effect from the complex phase factor is very small except near $\Omega_R=0$.



The nature of the phase transition is controlled only by

$$\prod_{f=1}^{N_f} \kappa_f^{N_t} \cosh(\mu_f/T)$$

Critical surface in the heavy quark region of (2+1)-flavor QCD ($24^3 \times 4$ lattice)

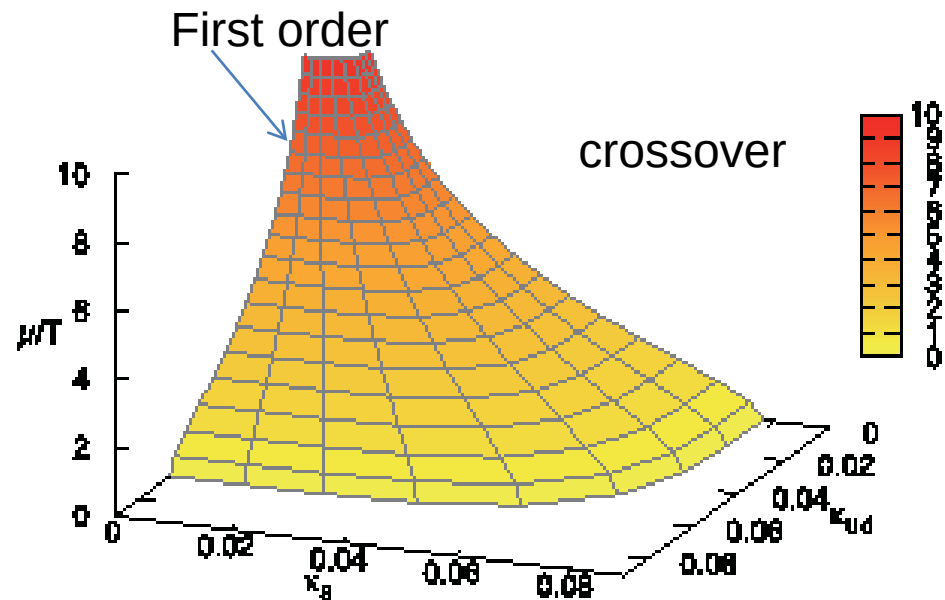


$$\frac{T_c}{m_\pi} \approx 0.02 \quad \text{at } \kappa_{cp} \text{ for 2-flavor}$$

$$\sum_{f=1}^{N_f} \kappa_{cp}^{N_t} \cosh(\mu_f / T) = 4 \times 10^{-5}$$

($N_t = 4$)

Critical surface at finite density

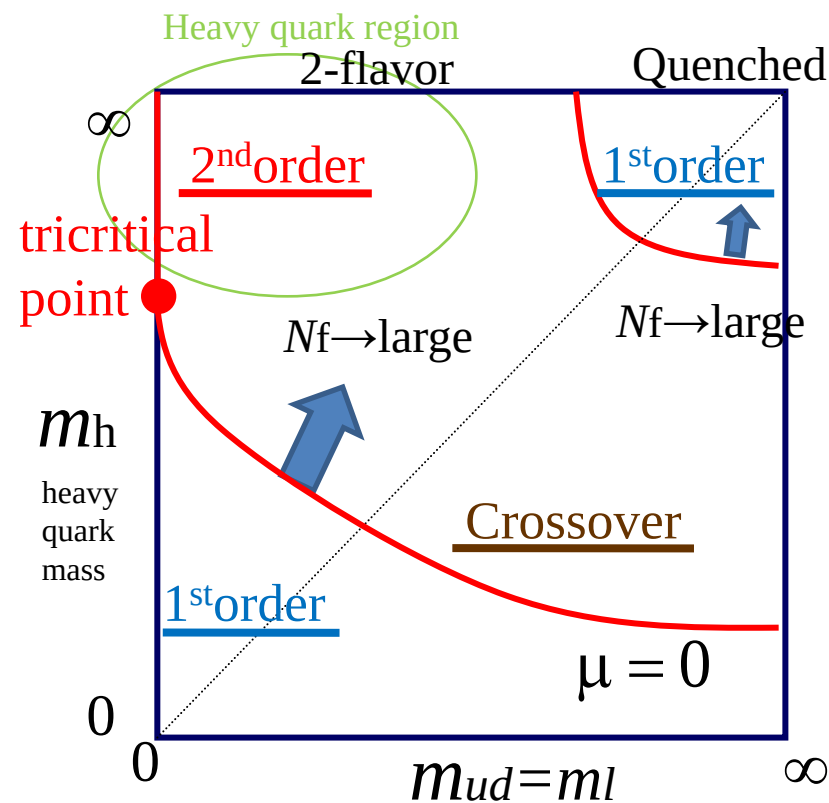


Phase transitions in many-flavor QCD

SE & Yamada, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 172001 (2013)

- 2 light quarks, many heavy quarks
- Technicolor model
- First order transition
 - ➡ Electro-weak baryogenesis
- Good test for (2+1)-flavor QCD

Nature of phase transition of 2+N_f-flavor QCD

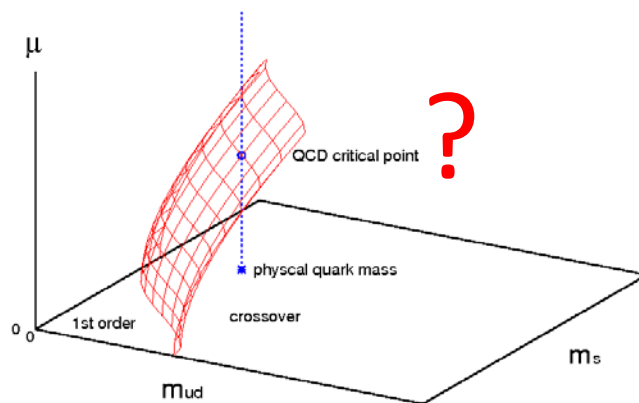


- Assumption: N_f -flavors are heavy.
 - Hopping parameter κ expansion
- Parameter: $\underline{N_f} \kappa^{N_t} \rightarrow 1/m_{h,ct} \sim \kappa_{ct} \propto 1/N_f^{1/N_t}$
- As increasing N_f , critical mass becomes larger.
- Tricritical scaling: the same as (2+1)-flavor QCD

Tricritical point $m_{ud}^c \sim (m_E - m_h)^{5/2}$
 m_E : $m_{ud}^c \sim \mu^5$

Good test ground

At finite density?



Reweighting method for plaquette distribution function

$$W(P, \beta, m, \mu) \equiv \int DU \delta(\hat{P} - P) \prod_{f=1}^{N_f} \det M(m_f, \mu_f) e^{6N_{\text{site}} \beta \hat{P}} \quad S_g = -6N_{\text{site}} \beta \hat{P}$$

$$(\beta = 6/g^2)$$

plaquette P (1x1 Wilson loop for the standard action)

$$R(P, \beta, \beta_0 m, m_0, \mu) \equiv W(P, \beta, m, \mu) / W(P, \beta_0, m_0, 0) \quad \text{(Reweight factor)}$$

$$R(P) = \frac{\left\langle \delta(\hat{P} - P) e^{6N_{\text{site}}(\beta - \beta_0)\hat{P}} \prod_f \frac{\det M(m_f, \mu_f)}{\det M(m_0, 0)} \right\rangle_{(\beta_0, \mu=0)}}{\left\langle \delta(\hat{P} - P) \right\rangle_{(\beta_0, \mu=0)}} \equiv \left\langle e^{6N_{\text{site}}(\beta - \beta_0)\hat{P}} \prod_f \frac{\det M(m_f, \mu_f)}{\det M(m_0, 0)} \right\rangle_{P:\text{fixed}}$$

Effective potential:

$$V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta, m, \mu) = -\ln[W(P, \beta, m, \mu)] = V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta_0, m_0, 0) - \ln R(P, \beta, \beta_0 m, m_0, \mu)$$

$$\ln R(P) = \underline{6N_{\text{site}}(\beta - \beta_0)P} + \ln \left\langle \underline{\prod_f \frac{\det M(m_f, \mu_f)}{\det M(m_0, 0)}} \right\rangle_{P:\text{fixed}}$$

First order transition point: two phases coexist

Plaquette distribution function

- Performing simulations of 2-flavor QCD,
- Dynamical effect of N_f -flavors are included by the reweighting.
- We assume N_f -flavors are heavy.
- Hopping parameter (κ) expansion (Wilson quark)

$$N_f \ln \left(\frac{\det M(\kappa, \mu)}{\det M(0, 0)} \right) = N_f \left(288 N_{\text{site}} \kappa^4 P + 12 \cdot 2^{N_t} N_s^3 \kappa^{N_t} (\cosh(\mu/T) \Omega_R + i \sinh(\mu/T) \Omega_I) + \dots \right)$$

- Effective potential

$$V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta, \kappa) = -\ln[R(P, \kappa)W(P, \beta, 0)] = \underbrace{V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta, 0)}_{\text{2-flavor crossover}} + \underbrace{-\ln[R(P, \kappa)]}_{\text{2+Nf-flavor 1st order transition ?}} = \underbrace{\text{?}}_{\text{Negative curvature}}$$

$$\ln R(P) = \ln \left\langle e^{6N_{\text{site}}(\beta - \beta_0)\hat{P}} \prod_f \frac{\det M(\kappa_f, \mu_f)}{\det M(\kappa_0, 0)} \right\rangle_{P:\text{fixed}} \approx \ln \left\langle \exp(6hN_s^3 \hat{\Omega}_R) \right\rangle_{P:\text{fixed}} + (\text{linear term of } P)$$

$\uparrow$
 (degenerate mass case at $\mu=0$)

Curvature of the effective potential

$$V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta, h, \mu) = V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta_0, 0, 0) - \ln \bar{R}(P, h, \mu) + \text{(linear term of } P)$$

$$\bar{R}(P) = \left\langle \exp(6N_s^3 h \Omega_R) \right\rangle_{P:\text{fixed}} \quad (\text{for the case of } \mu=0)$$

Wilson quark

$$h = 2N_f (2\kappa_h)^{N_t}$$

Staggered quark

$$h = N_f / \left(4(2m_h)^{N_t} \right)$$

- Linear term of P is irrelevant to the curvature
- β -dependence is only in the linear term.
- The curvature is independent of β .

χ_P : plaquette susceptibility

$$\frac{d^2 V_{\text{eff}}(0)}{dP^2} \approx \frac{6N_{\text{site}}}{\chi_P}$$

$$\frac{d^2 V_{\text{eff}}}{dP^2}(P, h, \mu) = \underbrace{\frac{d^2 V_{\text{eff}}}{dP^2}(P, 0, 0)}_{\text{2-flavor}} - \frac{d^2 \ln \bar{R}}{dP^2}(P, h, \mu)$$

- If there exists the negative curvature region,



First order transition (double-well potential)

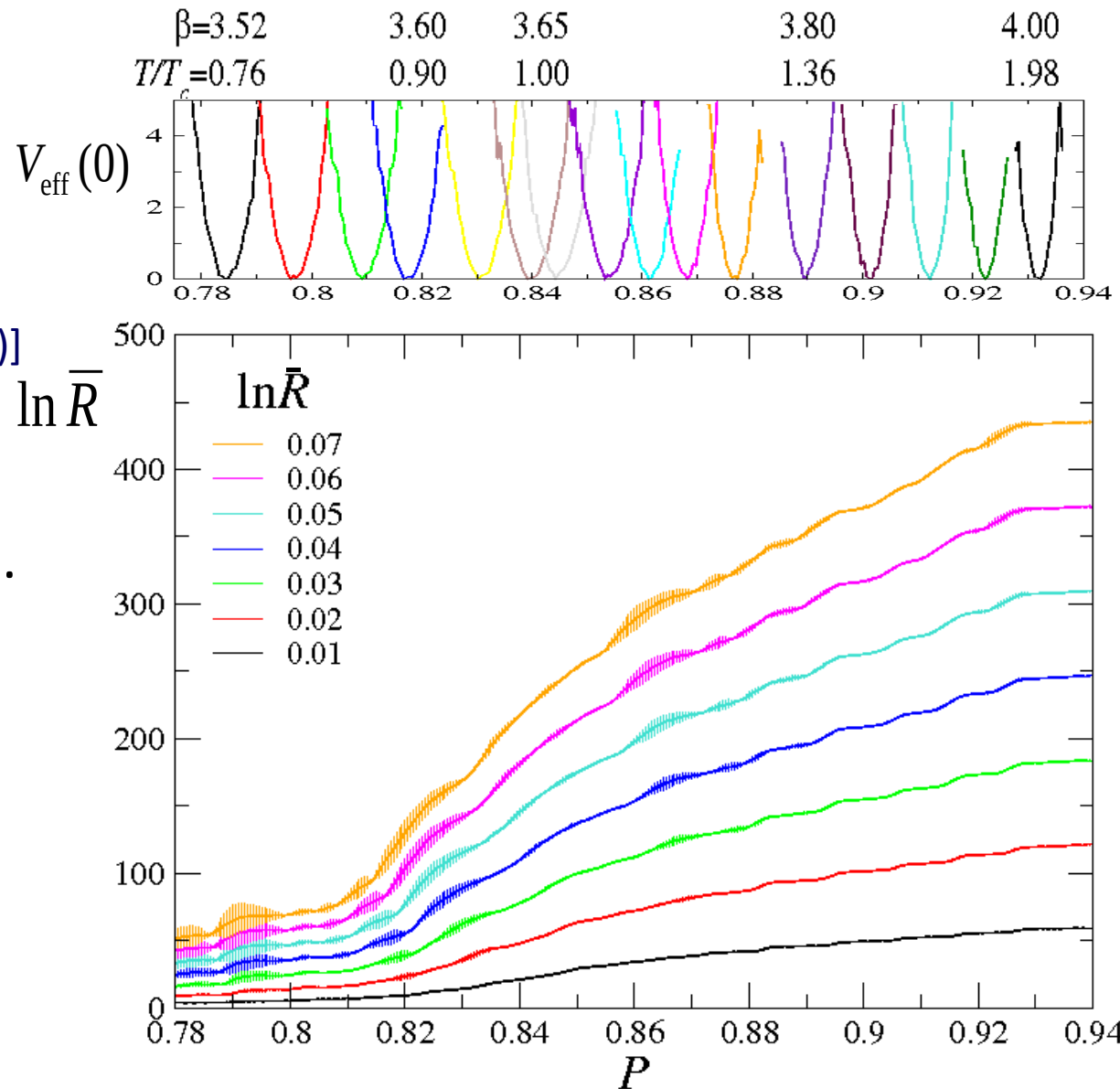
Effective potential at $h \neq 0$

$$V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta, h) = V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta, 0) - \ln R(P, h)$$

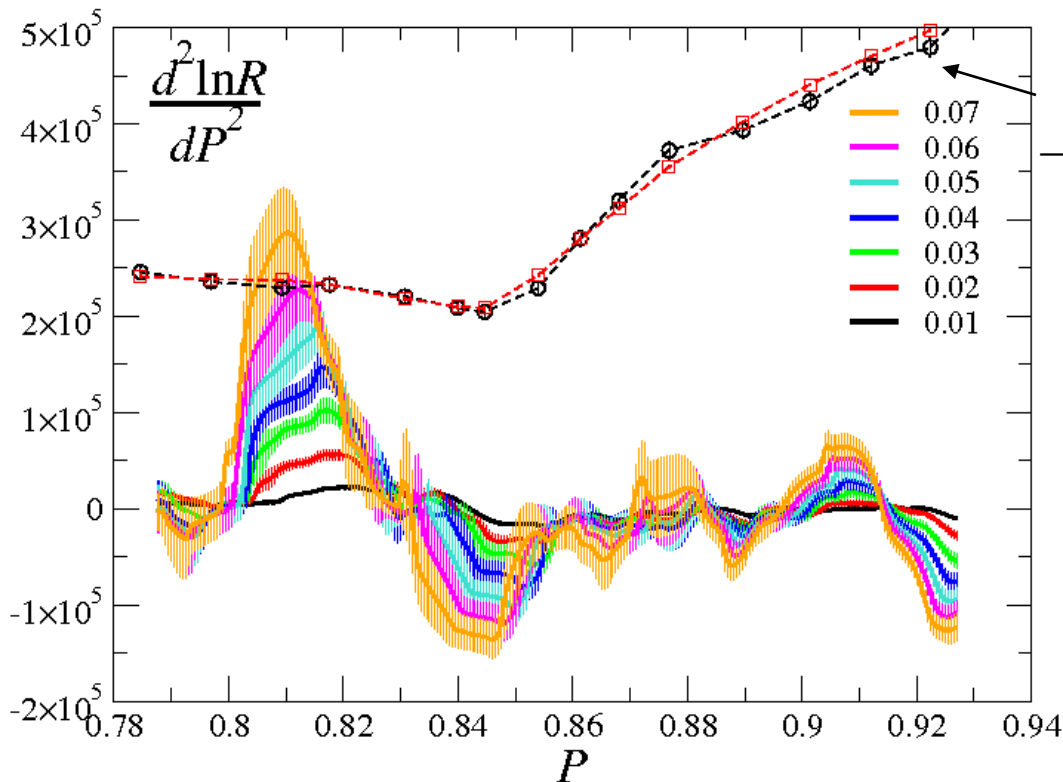
$N_f=2$ p4-staggered,
 $m_\pi/m_\rho \approx 0.7$

[data: Beilefeld-Swansea
Collab., PRD71,054508(2005)]

- $\det M$: hopping parameter expansion.
- $\ln R$ increases as increasing h .
- The curvature increases with h .

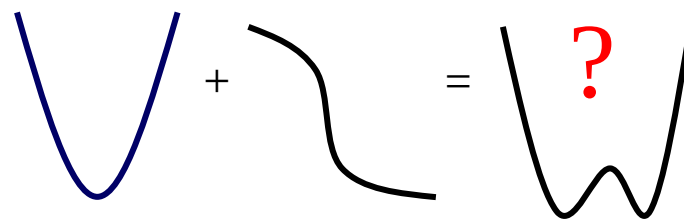
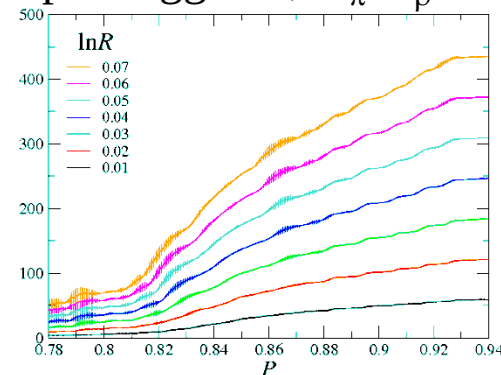


Curvature of the effective potential



$$-\frac{d^2 \ln W}{dP^2} \text{ at } h=0$$

$N_f=2$ p4-staggered, $m_\pi/m_\rho \approx 0.7$



First order transition:
$$\frac{d^2 V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta, h)}{dP^2} = \frac{d^2 V_{\text{eff}}(P, \beta, 0)}{dP^2} - \frac{d^2 \ln \bar{R}(P, h)}{dP^2} < 0$$

$$h = 2N_f (2\kappa_h)^{N_t}$$

(Wilson quarks)



- First order transition for $h > 0.06$

Critical value: $h_c = 0.0614(69)$

N_f –dependence of the critical mass

$$\underline{h_c = 0.0614(69)}$$

- Critical mass increases as N_f increases.

$$h = 2N_f (2\kappa_h)^{N_t} \quad \rightarrow \quad \kappa_h^c = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{h_c}{2N_f} \right)^{1/N_t}$$

- When N_f is large, κ is small. Then, the hopping parameter (κ) expansion is good.
- On the hand, when N_f is small, the κ -expansion is bad.
- In a quenched simulation with $N_t=4$, the first and second terms becomes comparable around $\kappa=0.18$.
- For $N_f=10$, $N_t=4$, $h_c = 0.0614(69) \rightarrow \kappa_h^c \approx 0.118$
 - It may be applicable for $N_f \sim 10$.

Curvature of the effective potential at finite μ

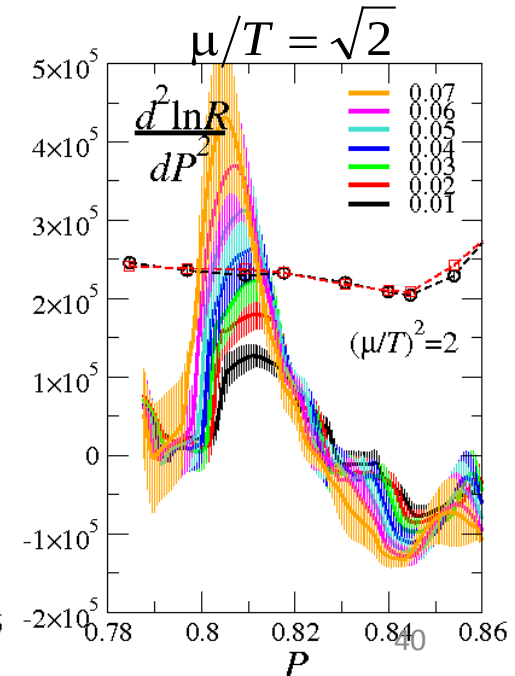
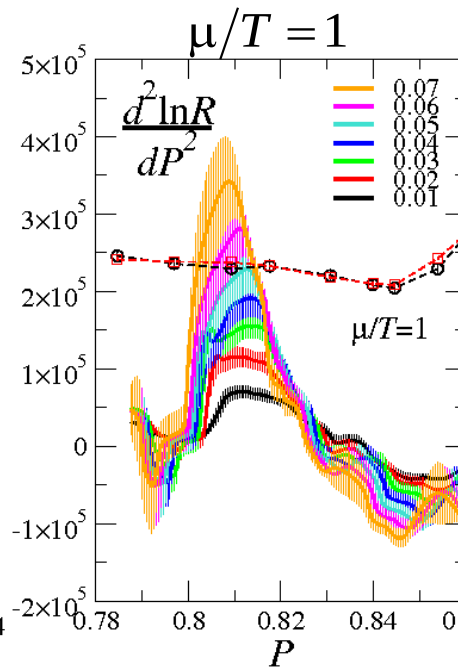
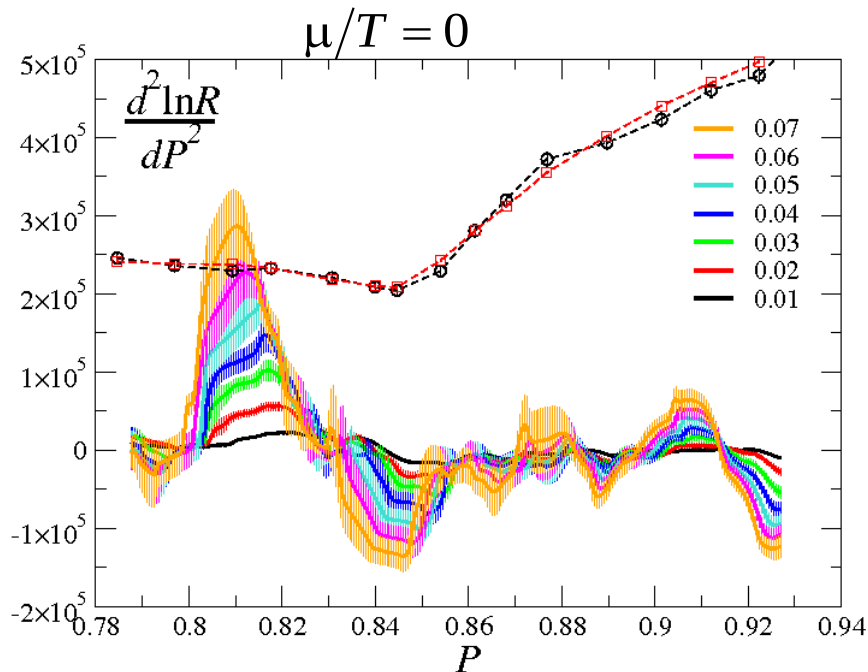
$$\frac{d^2 V_{\text{eff}}}{dP^2}(P, h, \mu) = \frac{d^2 V_{\text{eff}}}{dP^2}(P, 0, 0) - \frac{d^2 \ln \bar{R}}{dP^2}(P, h, \mu)$$

$$h = 2N_f (2\kappa_h)^{N_t} \quad \text{for Wilson quarks}$$

$$\ln R(P) = \ln \left\langle \underbrace{\left(\frac{\det M(m, \mu)}{\det M(m, 0)} \right)^2}_{\text{green}} \underbrace{\left(\frac{\det M(h, \mu_h)}{\det M(0, 0)} \right)^{N_f}}_{\text{red}} \right\rangle_{P: \text{fixed}}$$

- Calculations of $\det M$: Taylor expansion up to $O(\mu^6)$
- Distribution function of the complex phase of $\det M$: approximated by a Gaussian function

$$\mu_h / T = 0$$



Critical line at finite density

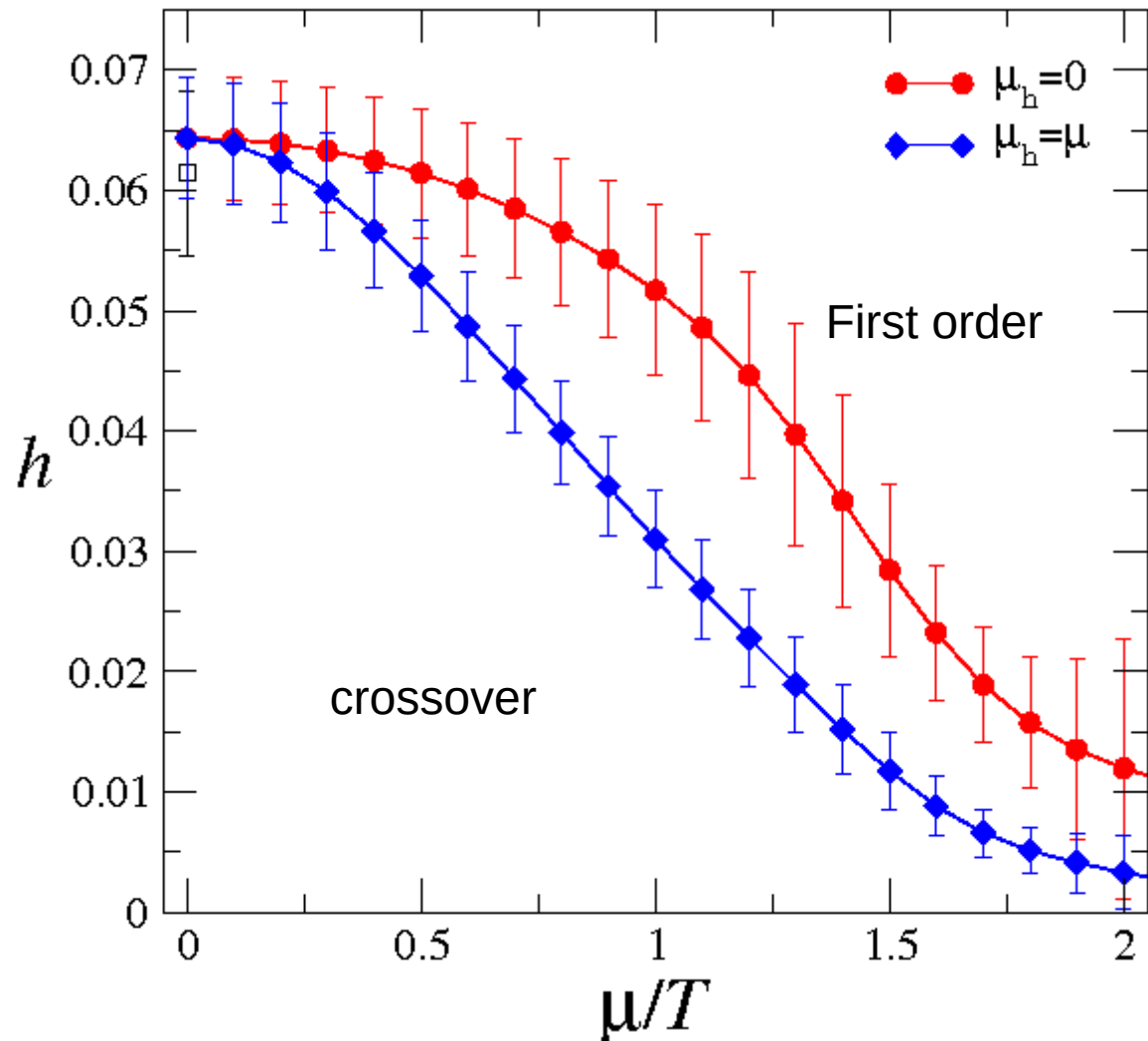
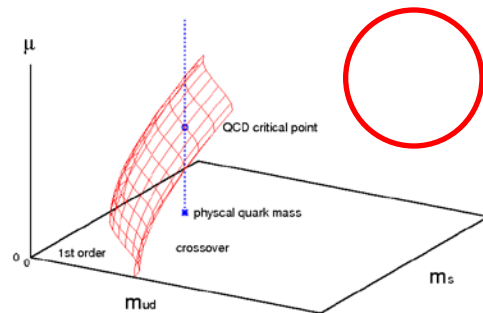
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for Wilson quarks

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for staggered quarks

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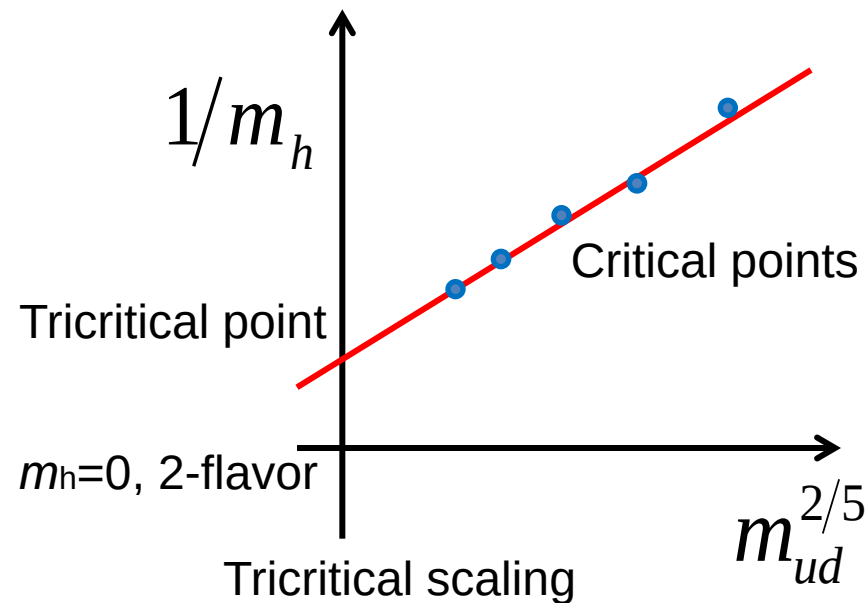


Phase structure of (2+many)-flavor QCD using Wilson quark action

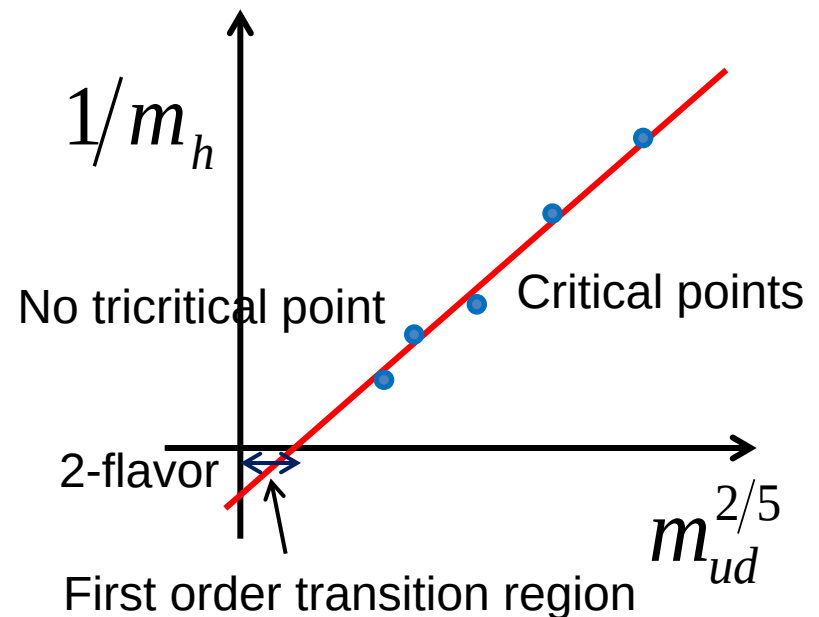
2-flavor QCD simulations + reweighting

Light quark mass dependence of the critical line

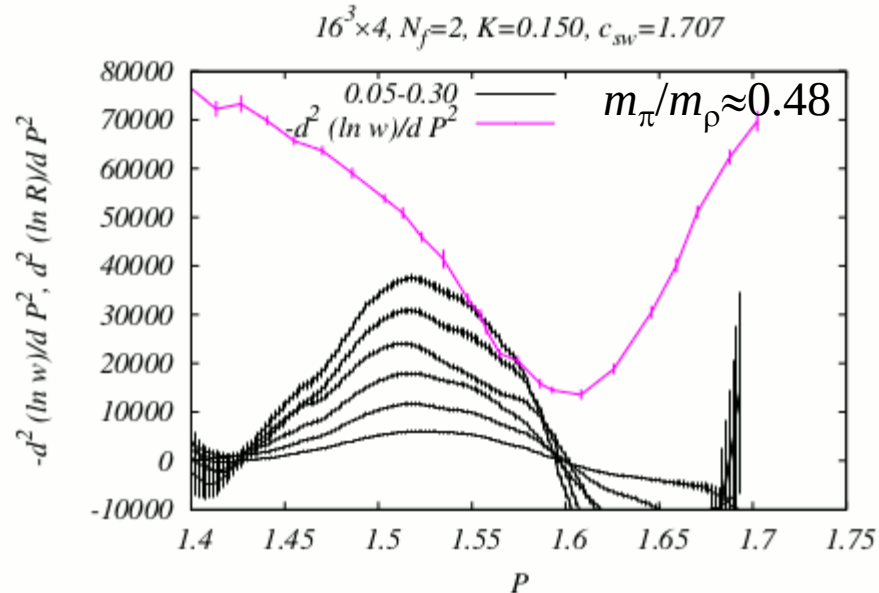
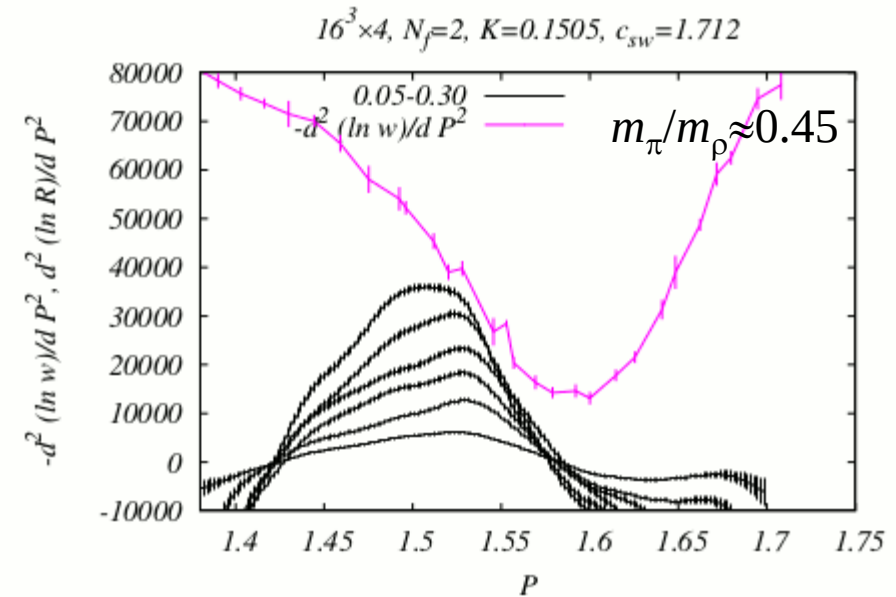
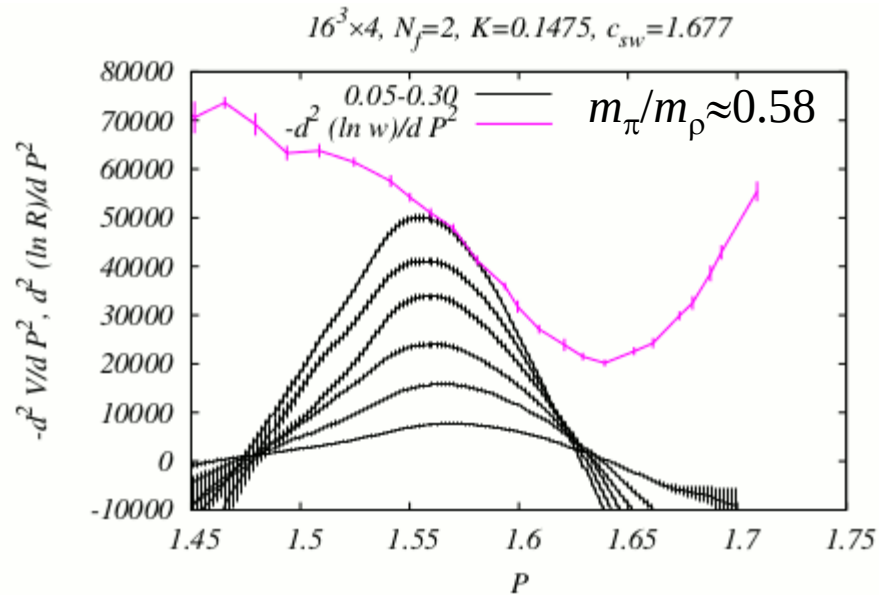
- Tricritical scaling behavior?
- Is there a first order transition region in 2-flavor QCD?



or



Light quark mass dependence (preliminary)



$h=0.05, 0.10, 0.15, 0.20, 0.25, 0.30$

- Critical point: light quark mass dependence is small in this mass region.
- In progress

Distribution function in the light quark region

WHOT-QCD Collaboration, in preparation,
(Nakagawa et al., arXiv:1111.2116)

- Perform phase quenched simulations
- Add the effect of the complex phase by the reweighting.
- Calculate the probability distribution function.
- Goal
 - The critical point 
 - The equation of state
Pressure, Energy density, Quark number density, Quark number susceptibility, Speed of sound, etc.

Probability distribution function by phase quenched simulation

- We perform phase quenched simulations with the weight:

$$|\det M(m, \mu)|^{N_f} e^{-S_g}$$

$$\begin{aligned} W(P', F', \beta, m, \mu) &= \int DU \delta(\hat{P} - P') \delta(\hat{F} - F') |\det M(m, \mu)|^{N_f} e^{-S_g} \\ &= \int DU \delta(\hat{P} - P') \delta(\hat{F} - F') e^{i\theta} |\det M(m, \mu)|^{N_f} e^{-S_g} \\ &= \underbrace{\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P', F'}}_{\text{expectation value with fixed } P, F} \times \underbrace{W_0(P', F', \beta, m, \mu)}_{\text{histogram}} \end{aligned}$$

P : plaquette

$$F(\mu) = \frac{N_f}{N_{\text{site}}} \ln \left| \frac{\det M(\mu)}{\det M(0)} \right|$$

$$\theta \equiv N_f \text{Im} \ln \det M$$

Distribution function
of the phase quenched.

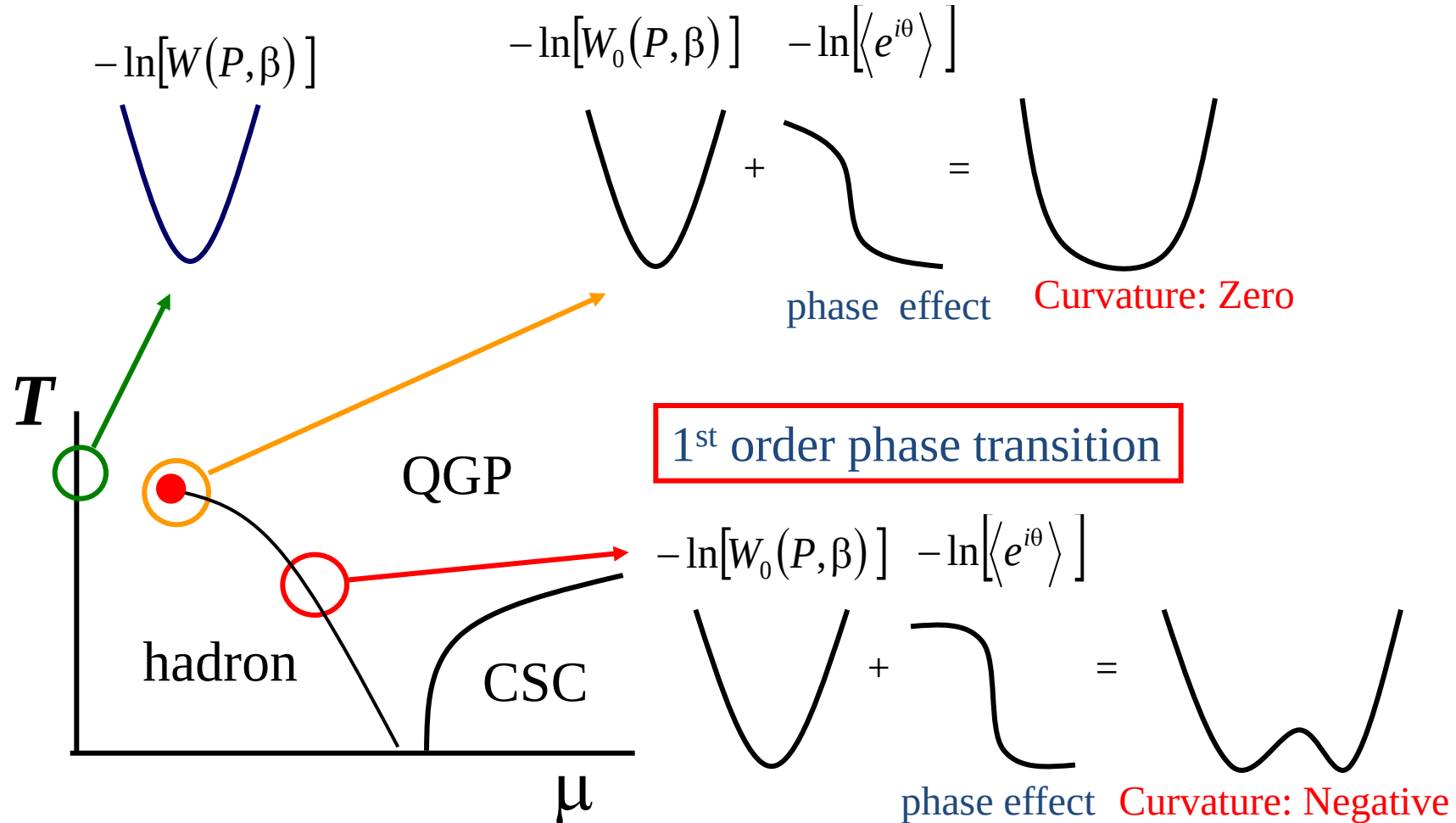
$$W_0(P', F') = \int DU \delta(\hat{P} - P') \delta(\hat{F} - F') |\det M|^{N_f} e^{6N_{\text{site}}\beta\hat{P}}$$

μ -dependence of the effective potential

Curvature of the effective potential

Crossover

Critical point



Curvature of the effective potential

- If the distribution is Gaussian,

$$W_0(P, F) \approx \sqrt{\frac{6N_{\text{site}}}{2\pi\chi_P}} \exp\left[-\frac{6N_{\text{site}}}{2\chi_P}(P - \langle P \rangle)^2\right] \times \sqrt{\frac{N_{\text{site}}}{2\pi\chi_F}} \exp\left[-\frac{N_{\text{site}}}{2\chi_F}(F - \langle F \rangle)^2\right]$$

$$\chi_P = 6N_{\text{site}} \left\langle (P - \langle P \rangle)^2 \right\rangle$$

$$\chi_F = N_{\text{site}} \left\langle (F - \langle F \rangle)^2 \right\rangle$$

$$\frac{\partial^2(-\ln W_0)}{\partial P^2}(\langle P \rangle, \langle F \rangle) = \frac{6N_{\text{site}}}{\chi_P}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2(-\ln W_0)}{\partial F^2}(\langle P \rangle, \langle F \rangle) \approx \frac{N_{\text{site}}}{\chi_F}$$

at the peak of the distribution

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- Sign problem: If $e^{i\theta}$ changes its sign,

$$\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F \text{ fixed}} \ll (\text{statistical error})$$

- Cumulant expansion $\langle \dots \rangle_{P,F}$: expectation values fixed F and P .

$$\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F} = \exp \left[\underbrace{i \langle \theta \rangle_C}_{\rightarrow 0} - \frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle_C - \underbrace{\frac{i}{3!} \langle \theta^3 \rangle_C}_{\rightarrow 0} + \frac{1}{4!} \langle \theta^4 \rangle_C + \dots \right]$$

cumulants

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– Odd terms vanish from a symmetry under $\mu \leftrightarrow -\mu$ ($\theta \leftrightarrow -\theta$)

Source of the complex phase

If the cumulant expansion converges, No sign problem.

Convergence in the large volume (V) limit

The cumulant expansion is good in the following situations.

- If the phase is given by $\theta = \sum_x \theta_x$
 - No correlation between θ_x .

$$\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F} = \left\langle e^{i \sum_x \theta_x} \right\rangle_{P,F} \approx \prod_x \langle e^{i\theta_x} \rangle_{P,F} = \exp \left[\sum_x \sum_n \frac{i^n}{n!} \langle \theta_x^n \rangle_C \right]$$

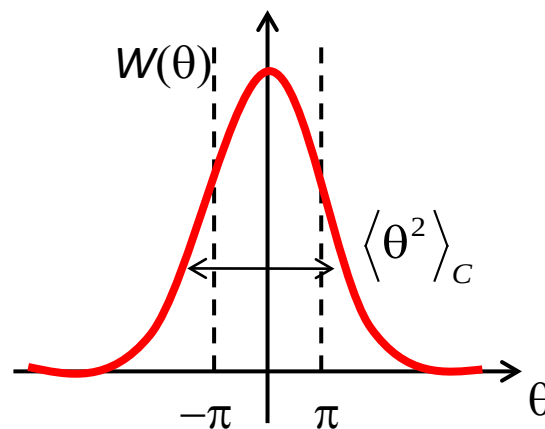
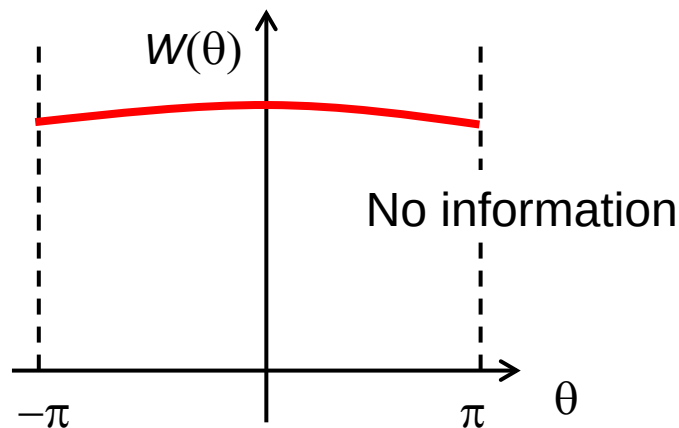
$$\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F} = \exp \left[\sum_n \frac{i^n}{n!} \langle \theta^n \rangle_C \right] \quad \rightarrow \quad \langle \theta^n \rangle_C \approx \sum_x \langle \theta_x^n \rangle_C \sim O(V)$$

- Ratios of cumulants do not change in the large V limit.
- Convergence property is independent of V ,
although the phase fluctuation becomes larger as V increases.
- The application range of μ can be measured on a small lattice.

Complex phase distribution

- We should not define the complex phase in the range from $-\pi$ to π .
- When the distribution of θ is perfectly Gaussian, the average of the complex phase is give by the second order (variance),

$$\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F} = \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle_C \right]$$



- Gaussian distribution → The cumulant expansion is good.
- We define the phase

$$\theta(\mu) = N_f \operatorname{Im} \left(\ln \frac{\det M(\mu)}{\det M(0)} \right) = N_f \int_0^{\mu/T} \operatorname{Im} \left[\frac{\partial \ln \det M}{\partial (\mu/T)} \right]_{\bar{\mu}} d \left(\frac{\bar{\mu}}{T} \right)$$

- The range of θ is from $-\infty$ to ∞ .

$$\frac{\partial \ln \det M}{\partial (\mu/T)} = \operatorname{Tr} \left[M^{-1} \frac{\partial \det M}{\partial (\mu/T)} \right] = \sum_i \left[M^{-1} \frac{\partial \det M}{\partial (\mu/T)} \right]_{ii}$$

Integral method for the calculation of the quark determinant

$$\frac{\partial \ln \det M}{\partial(\mu/T)}$$

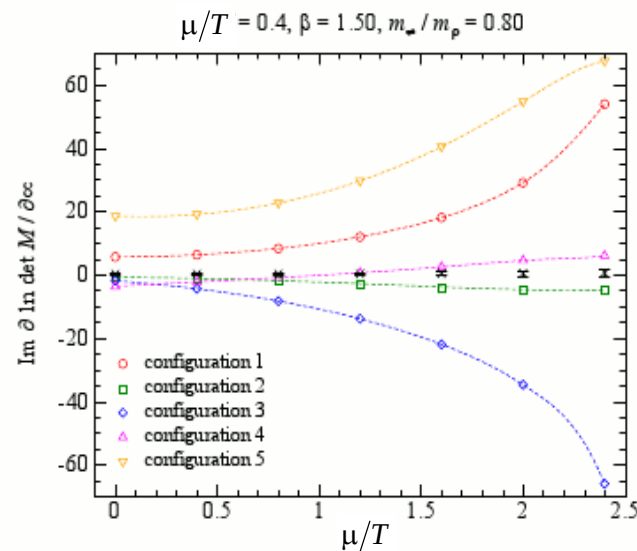
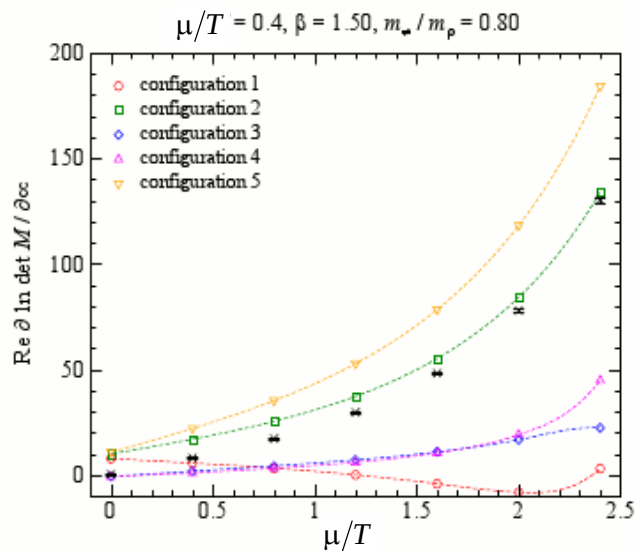
$8^3 \times 4$ lattice

$\beta = 1.50$

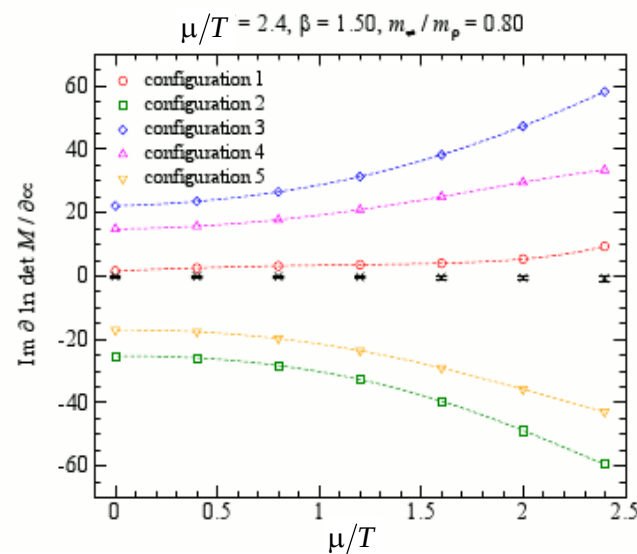
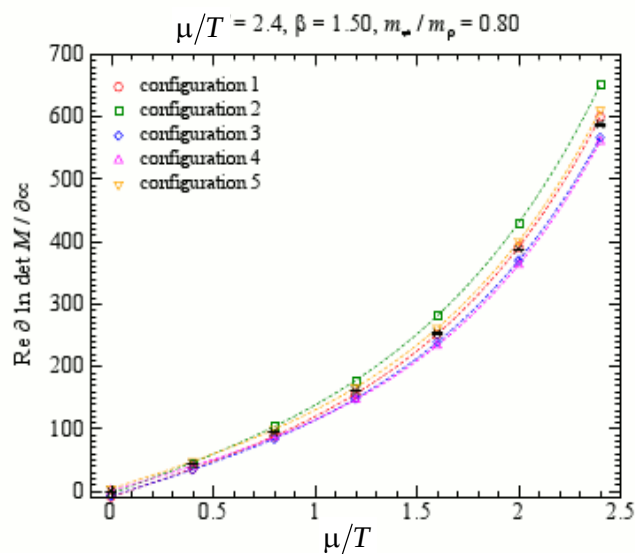
$m_\pi/m_\rho = 0.8$

2-flavor QCD
Iwasaki gauge
+ clover Wilson
quark action

Random noise
method is used.



$\mu/T = 0.4$

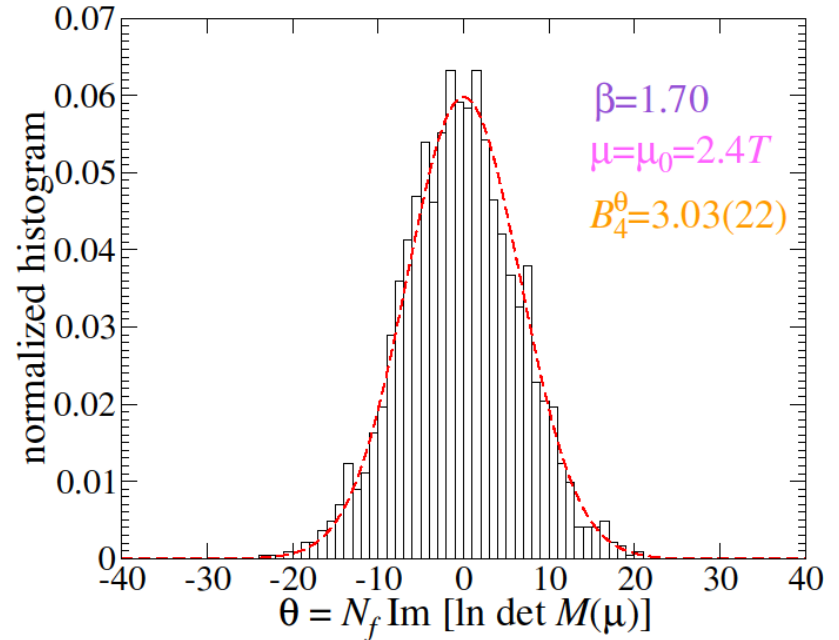
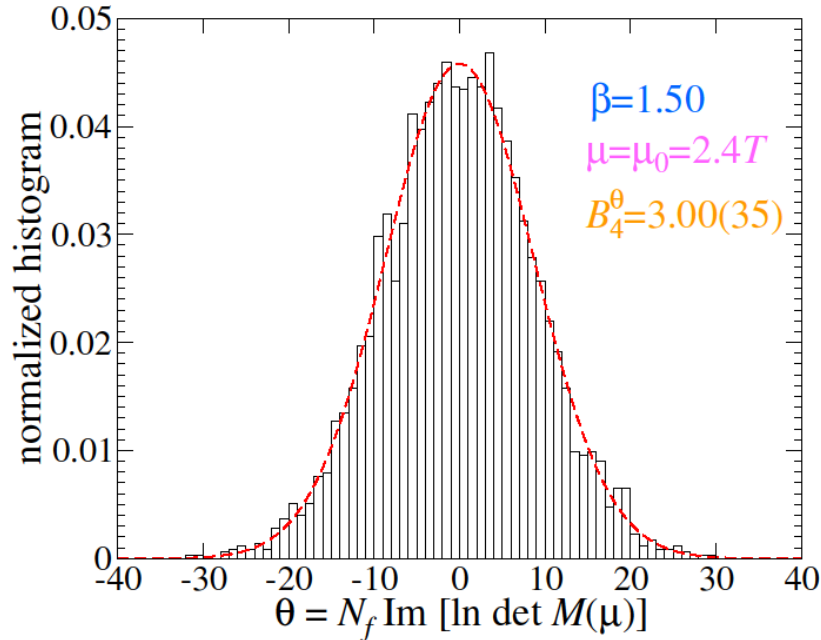


$\mu/T = 2.4$

Real part

Imaginary

Distribution of the complex phase



- Well approximated by a Gaussian function.
- Convergence of the cumulant expansion: good.

$$\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F} \approx \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle_{\langle P \rangle, \langle F \rangle} \approx \frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle_{\beta_0, \mu_0}$$

at the peak of W_0 in each simulation

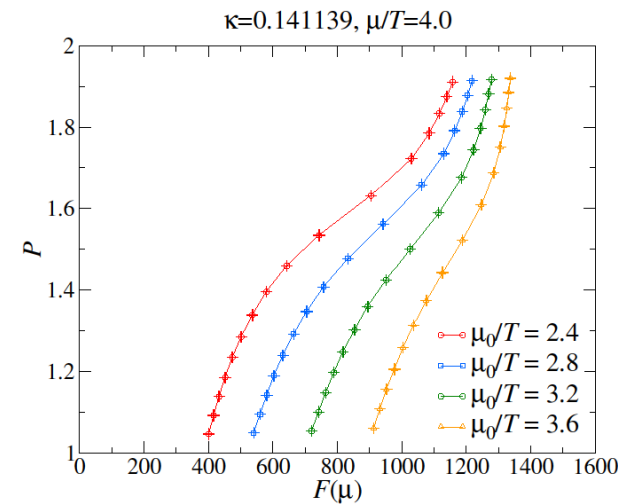
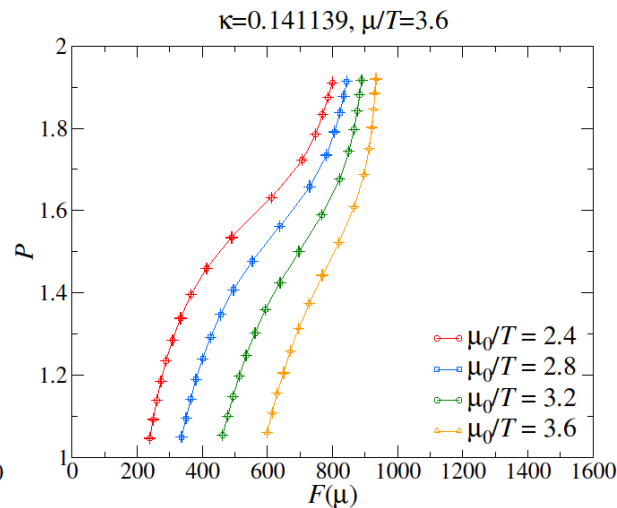
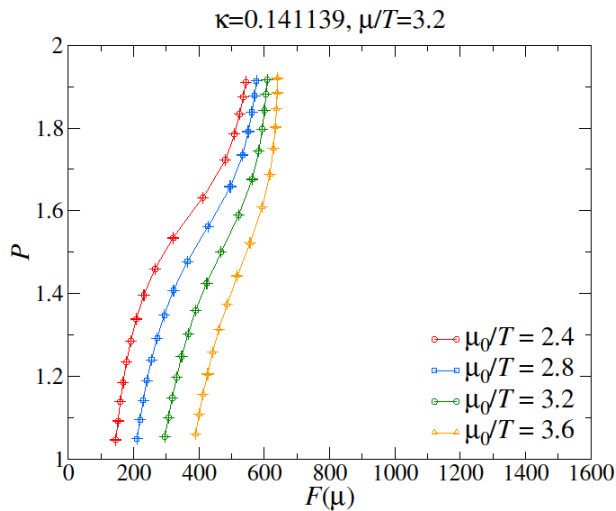
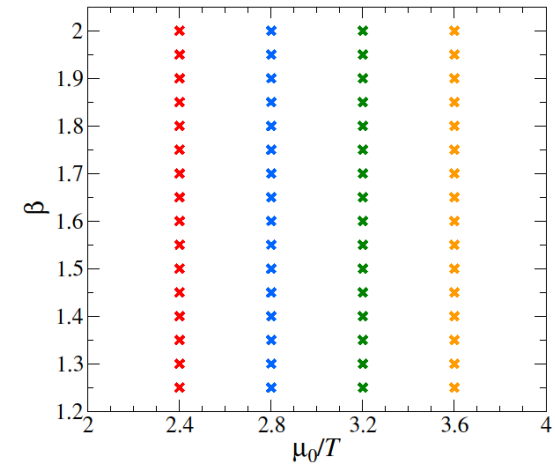
Simulations

2-flavor QCD Iwasaki gauge
+ clover Wilson quark action

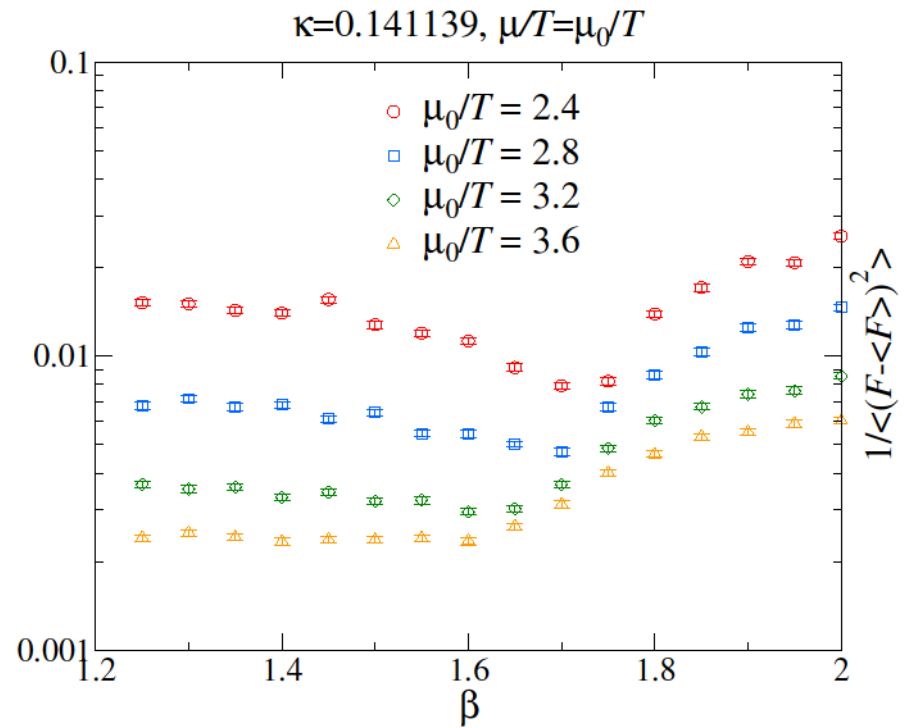
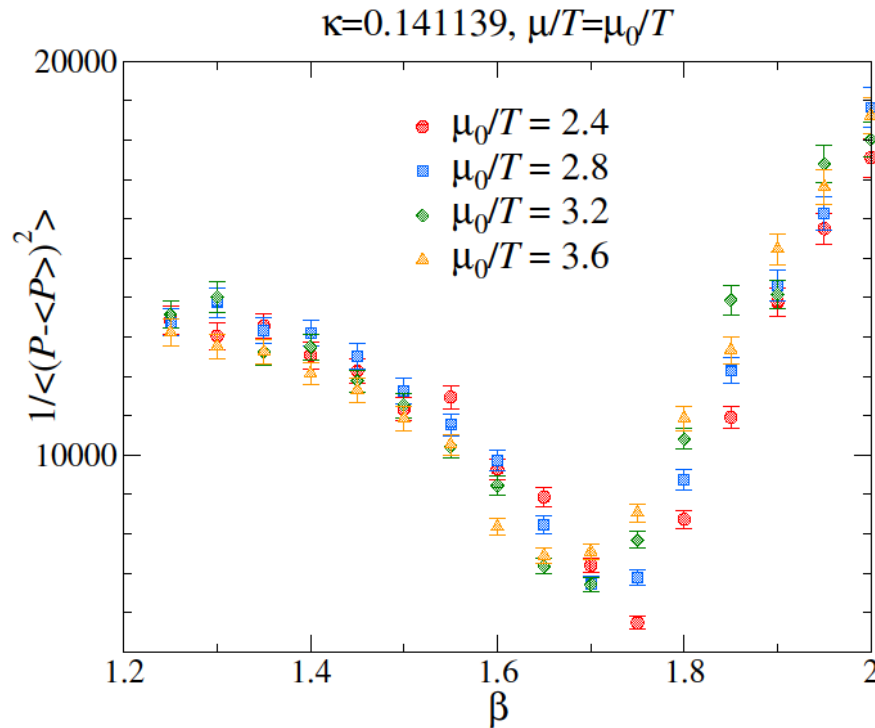
Random noise method is used.

$8^3 \times 4$ lattice $m_\pi/m_\rho \approx 0.8$

- Simulation point in the $(\beta, \mu_0/T)$
- Peak of $W_0(P, F)$ for each μ

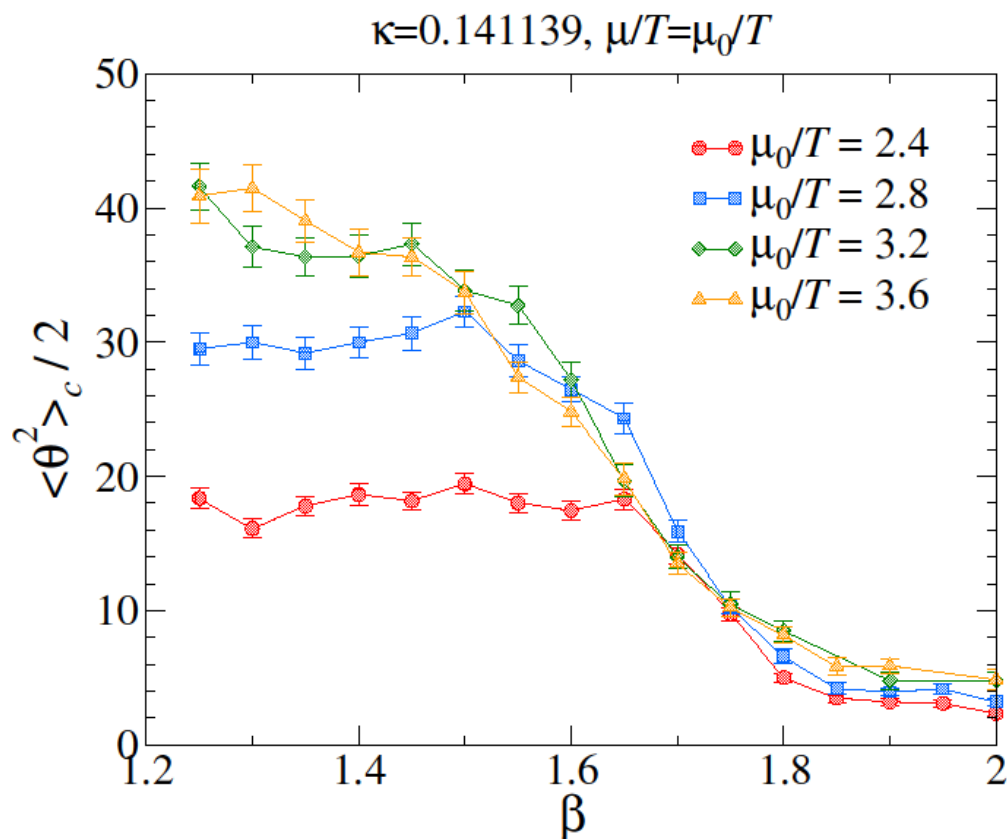


Curvature of the effective potential $-\ln W_0$



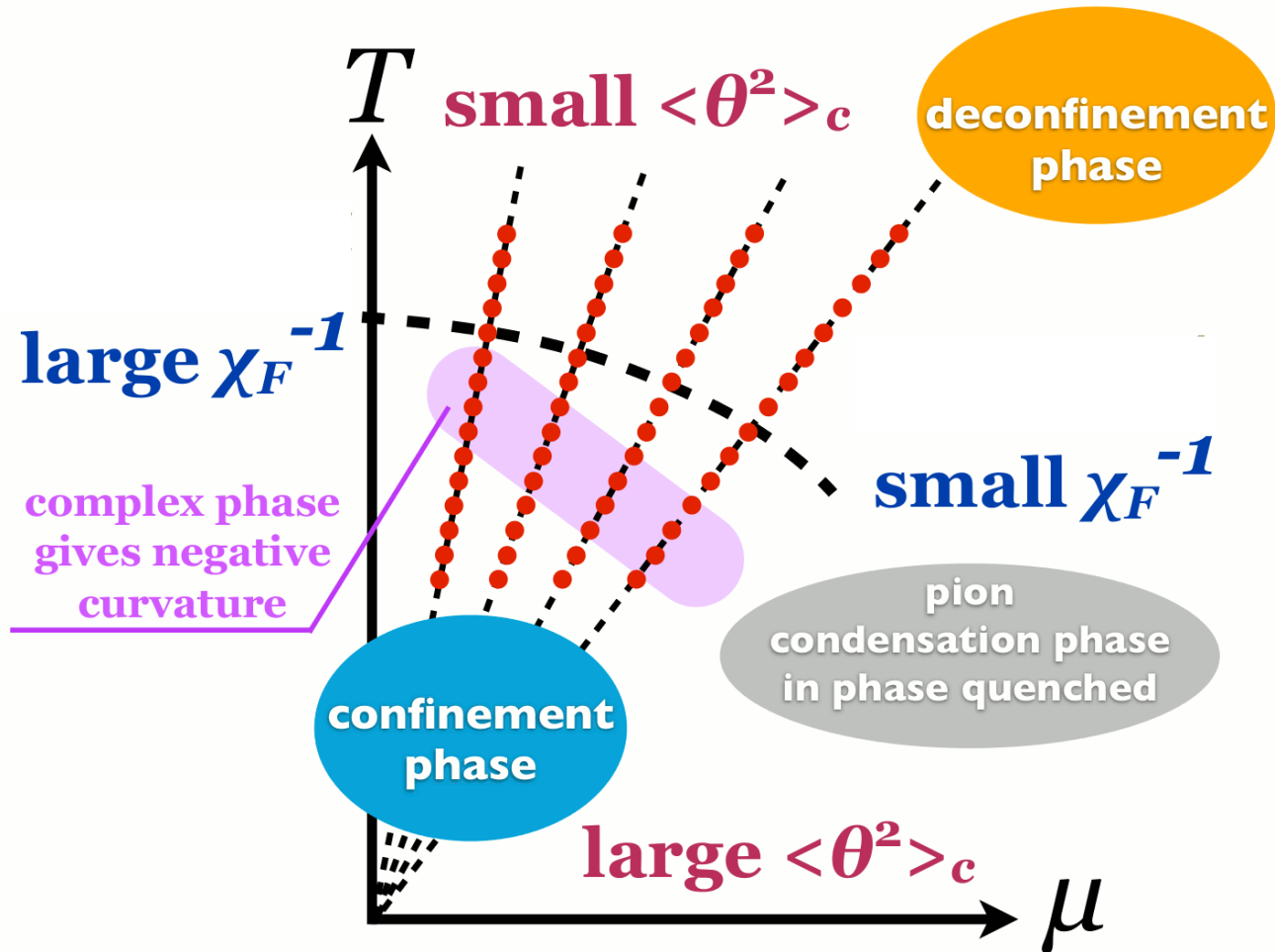
- The curvature for F decreases as μ increases.

Effect from the complex phase



- Rapidly changes around the pseudo-critical point.

Critical point at finite μ



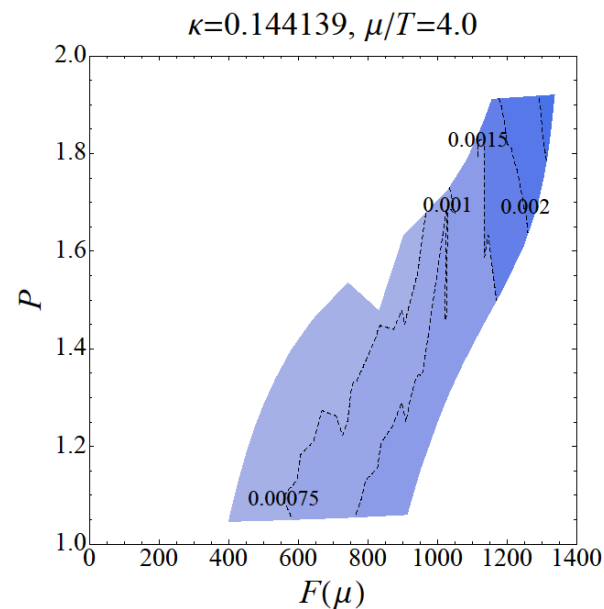
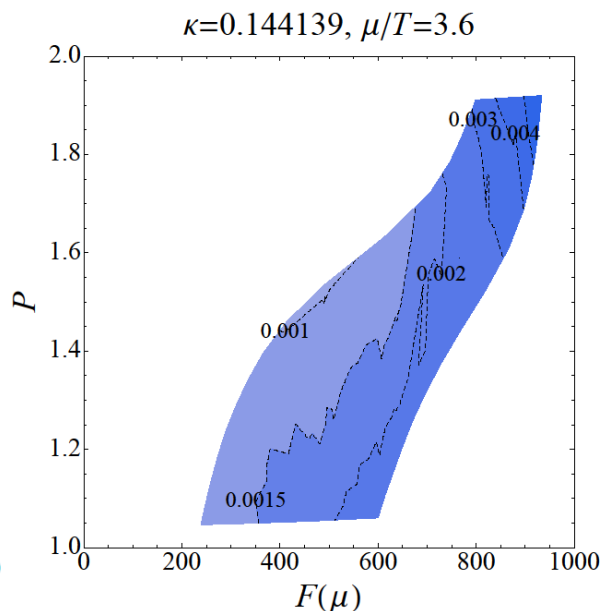
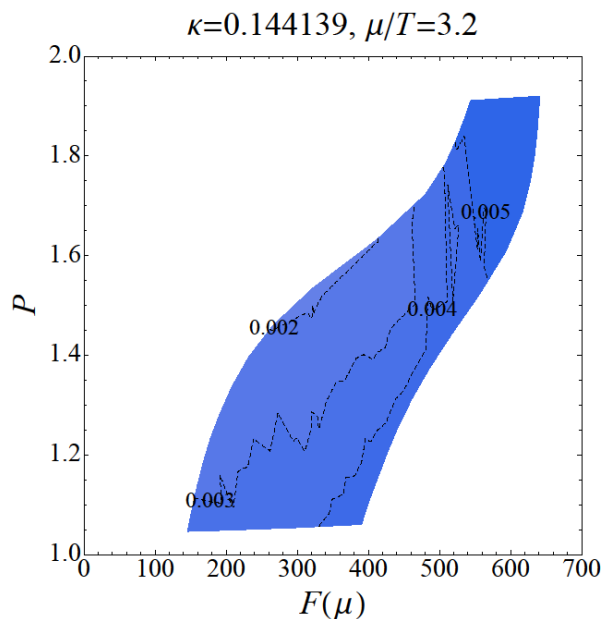
- zero curvature: expected at a large μ .

Curvature of the effective potential

- Without the complex phase effect

$$\frac{\partial^2(-\ln W_0)}{\partial F^2}(\langle P \rangle, \langle F \rangle) \approx \frac{N_{\text{site}}}{\chi_F}$$

$$\chi_F = N_{\text{site}} \left\langle (F - \langle F \rangle)^2 \right\rangle$$

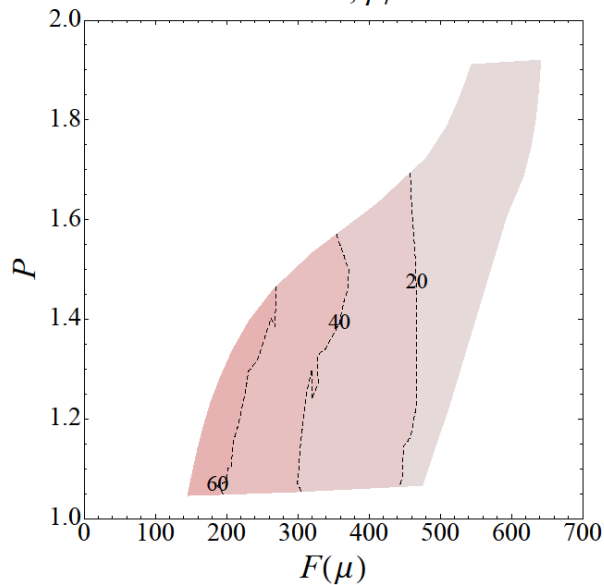


Phase average

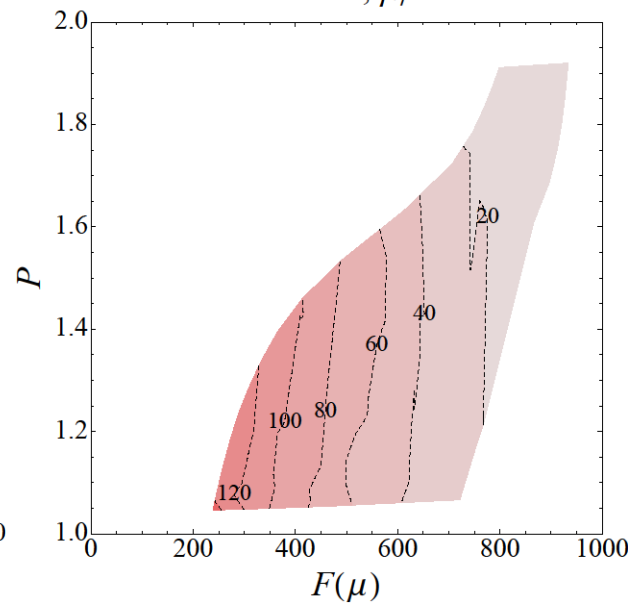
- 2nd order cumulant

$$\ln \langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F} \approx -\frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle_{P,F} \qquad \frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle_{\langle P \rangle, \langle F \rangle} \approx \frac{1}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle_{\beta_0, \mu_0}$$

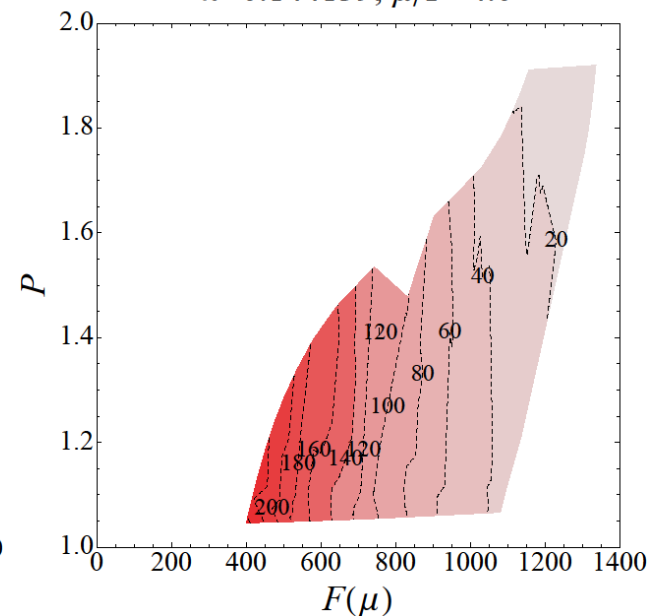
$\kappa=0.144139, \mu/T=3.2$



$\kappa=0.144139, \mu/T=3.6$

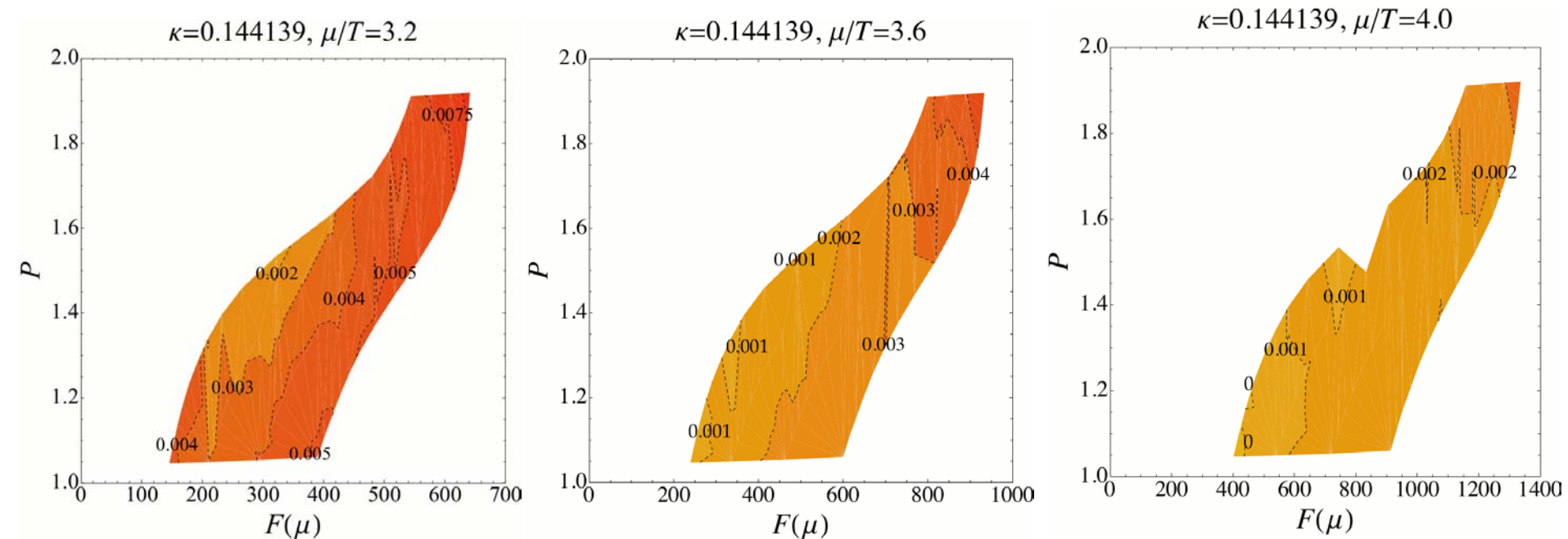


$\kappa=0.144139, \mu/T=4.0$



Curvature of the effective potential

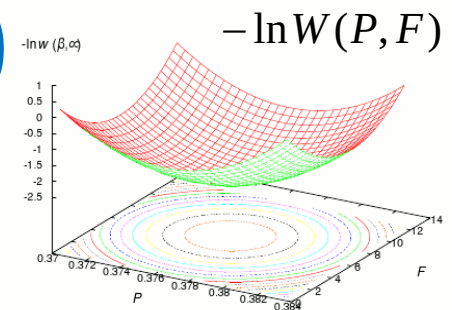
- The effect of the phase included.



zero curvature
Critical point

Peak position of $W(P,F)$

- The slopes are zero at the peak of $W(P,F)$. $\frac{\partial \ln W}{\partial P} = 0, \frac{\partial \ln W}{\partial F} = 0$



$$\frac{\partial \ln W}{\partial P}(P, F, \beta, \mu) = \frac{\partial \ln W_0}{\partial P}(P, F, \beta, \mu) + \frac{\partial \ln \langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F}}{\partial P} \quad \left(R(P, F, \mu, \mu_0) = \frac{W_0(P, F, \beta, \mu)}{W_0(P, F, \beta, \mu_0)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \ln W_0}{\partial P}(P, F, \beta_0, \mu_0) + \underbrace{6N_{site}(\beta - \beta_0) + \frac{\partial \ln R}{\partial P}(P, F, \mu, \mu_0)}_{=0} + \frac{\partial \ln \langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F}}{\partial P}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln W}{\partial F}(P, F, \beta, \mu) = \frac{\partial \ln W_0}{\partial F}(P, F, \beta, \mu) + \frac{\partial \ln \langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F}}{\partial F}$$

If these terms are canceled,

$$= \frac{\partial \ln W_0}{\partial F}(P, F, \beta_0, \mu_0) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial \ln R}{\partial F}(P, F, \mu, \mu_0)}_{=0} + \frac{\partial \ln \langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P,F}}{\partial F}$$

$W(P, F, \beta, \mu) \approx W_0(P, F, \beta_0, \mu_0) \times (\text{const.})$

- $W(\beta, \mu)$ can be computed by simulations around (β_0, μ_0) .

Phase quenched simulation

$$W(P, F, \beta, m, \mu) = \underbrace{\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle}_{P, F} \times W_0(P, F, \beta, m, \mu)$$

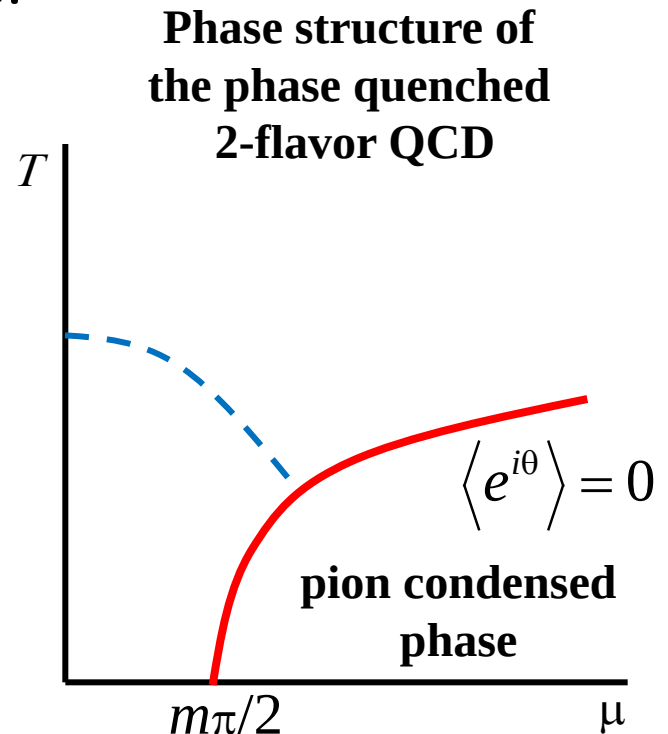
$$\det M(K, -\mu) = [\det M(K, \mu)]^*, \quad |\det M(K, \mu)|^2 = \det M(K, \mu) \det M(K, -\mu)$$

- When $\mu_u = -\mu_d$, pion condensation occurs.
- $\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle = 0$ is suggested in the pion condensed phase by phenomenological studies. [Han-Stephanov '08, Sakai et al. '10]

➡ No overlap between $W(\mu)$ and $W_0(\mu)$.

- Near the phase boundary,
– large fluctuations in θ : expected.

$$\langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P, F} \rightarrow 0 \quad \left(\ln \langle e^{i\theta} \rangle_{P, F} \rightarrow -\infty \right)$$



Summary

- We discussed the QCD phase transition in the heavy quark region.
WHOT-QCD(H. Saito, S. Ejiri, S. Aoki, K. Kanaya, Y. Nakagawa, H. Ohno, K. Okuno, and T. Umeda), arXiv:1309.2445
S. Ejiri, Euro. Phys. J. A 49, 86 (2013) [arXiv:1306.0295]
 - The critical surface in the heavy quark region of (2+1)-flavor QCD is computed.
- We investigated the phase structure of (2+Nf)-flavor QCD.
S. Ejiri & N. Yamada, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 172001 (2013) [arXiv:1212.5899]
 - This model is interesting for the feasibility study of the electroweak baryogenesis in the technicolor scenario.
 - An appearance of a first order phase transition at finite temperature is required for the baryogenesis.
 - Applying the reweighting method, we determine the critical mass of heavy flavors terminating the first order region.
 - The critical mass becomes larger with N_f .
 - The first order region becomes wider as increasing μ .
- This may be a good test for the determination of boundary of the first order region in (2+1)-flavor QCD at finite density.