

# Towards the QCD phase diagram at finite chemical potential

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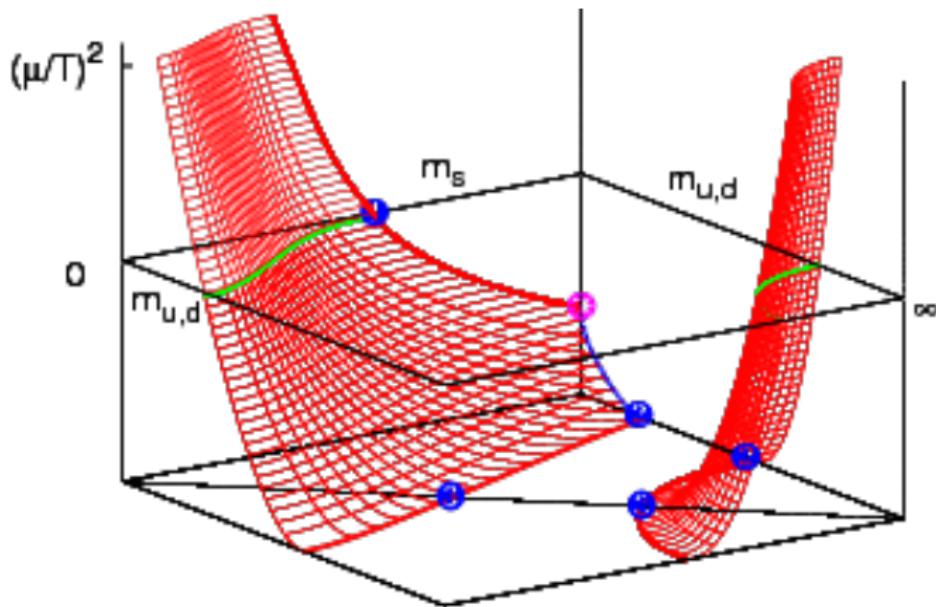
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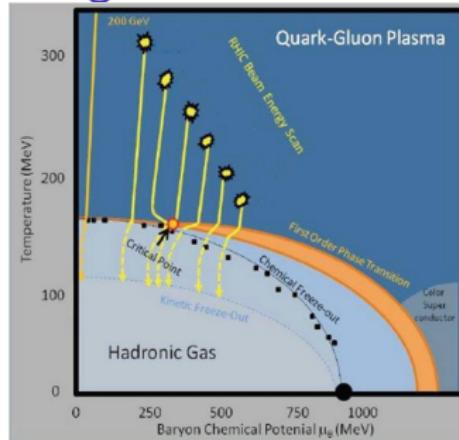
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# The QCD phase diagram



source: C. Bonati et al. arXiv:1311.0473 (2014)

# The $(T, \mu_B)$ -phase diagram of QCD



Our observables:

Last Year:  $T_c$

R. Bellwied et al., Phys. Lett. B751, 559 (2015), arXiv:1507.07510



This year: The Equation of State

J. Günther et al., arXiv:1607.02493



# 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  $\mu > 0$   $\det M(U)$  is complex

# Dealing with the sign problem

- ▶ Reweighting technics
- ▶ Canonical ensemble → 14:20 Vitaly Bornyakov
- ▶ Complex Langevin → 14:50 Benjamin Jäger
- ▶ Density of state methods
- ▶ Dual variables
- ▶ Taylor expansion
- ▶ Imaginary  $\mu$
- ▶ ...

# The Taylor expansion method

The pressure can be written as:

$$\frac{P}{T^4} = \sum_{i,j,k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i!j!k!} \chi_{ijk}^{BQS} \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^i \left(\frac{\mu_Q}{T}\right)^j \left(\frac{\mu_S}{T}\right)^k$$

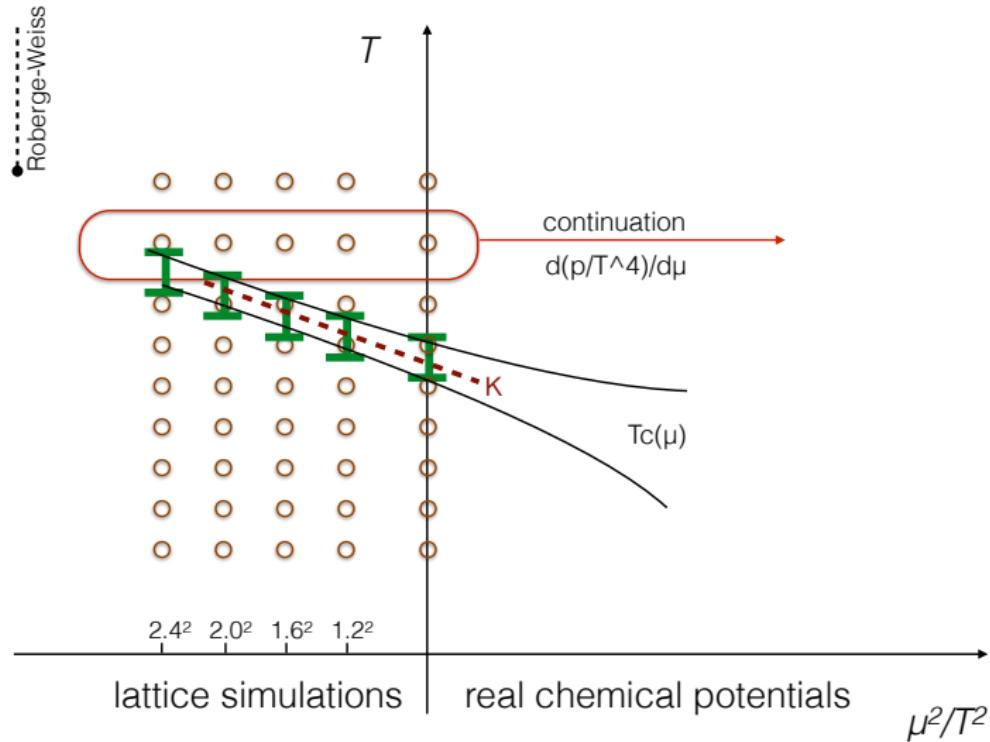
with  $B, Q, S$ : conserved charges

$\chi_n^X$  can be determined on the lattice at  $\mu = 0$  as:

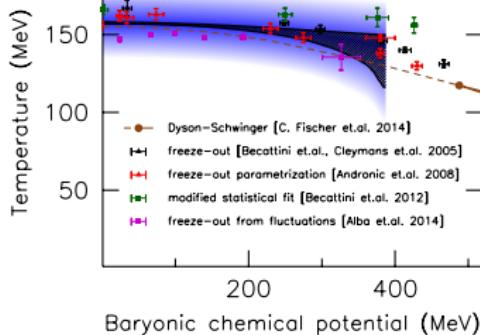
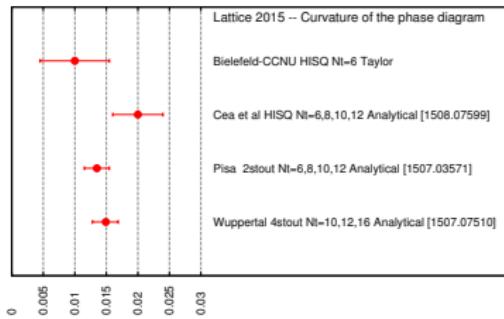
$$\chi_n^X = \frac{\partial^n \left(\frac{P}{T^4}\right)}{\partial \left(\frac{\mu_X}{T}\right)^n}$$

With the Taylor coefficients the observables can be extrapolated to finite chemical potentials

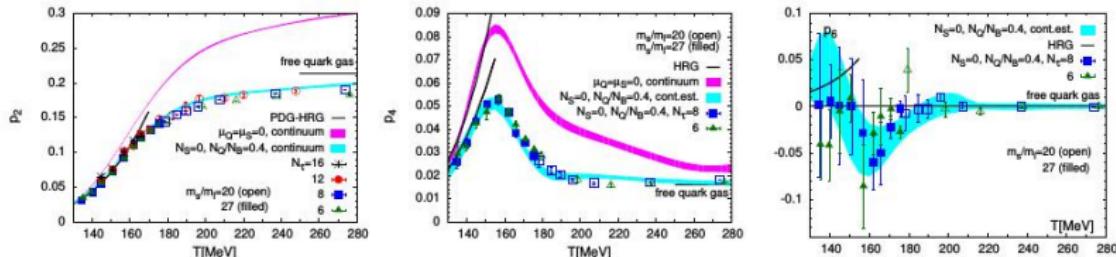
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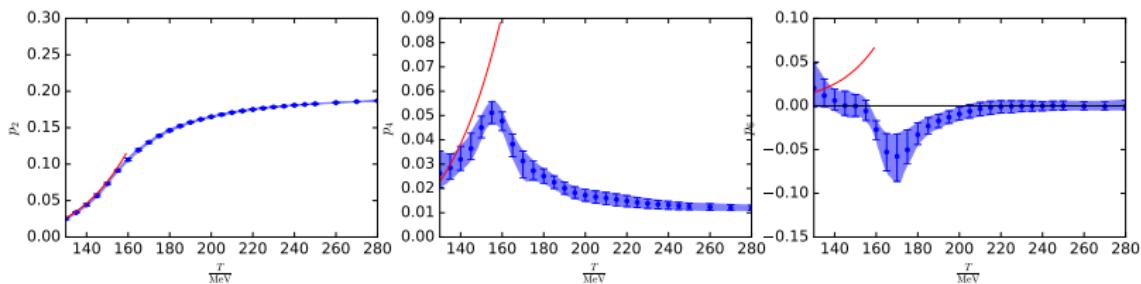
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source: Talk of C. Schmidt at Conf2016



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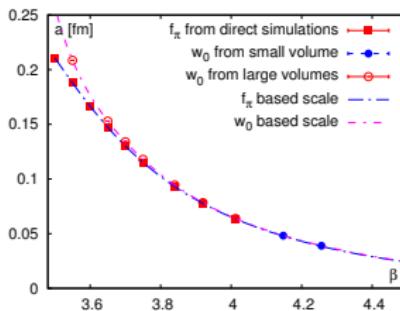
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- ▶  $\frac{\mu_B}{T} = i \frac{j\pi}{8}$  with  $j = 0, 3, 4, 5$
- ▶ Two methods of scale setting:  $f_\pi$  and  $w_0$ ,  $Lm_\pi > 4$

# Observables

Chiral susceptibility:

$$\chi_{\bar{\psi}\psi} = \frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial^2 \ln Z}{\partial (m_q)^2}$$

$$\chi_{\bar{\psi}\psi}^r = (\chi_{\bar{\psi}\psi}(T, \beta) - \chi_{\bar{\psi}\psi}(0, \beta)) \frac{m_l^2}{m_\pi^4}$$

Chiral condensate:

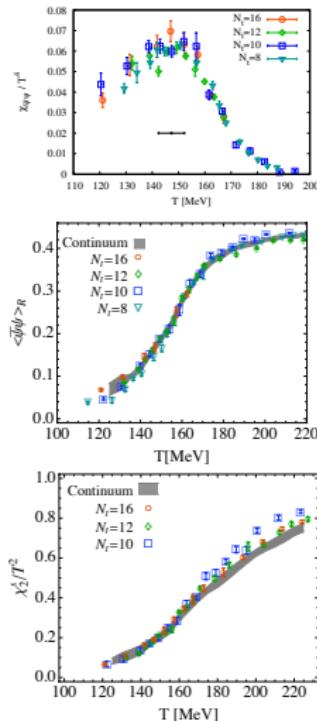
$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle = \frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial m_q}$$

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle^r = -(\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle(T, \beta) - \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle(0, \beta)) \frac{m_l}{m_\pi^4}$$

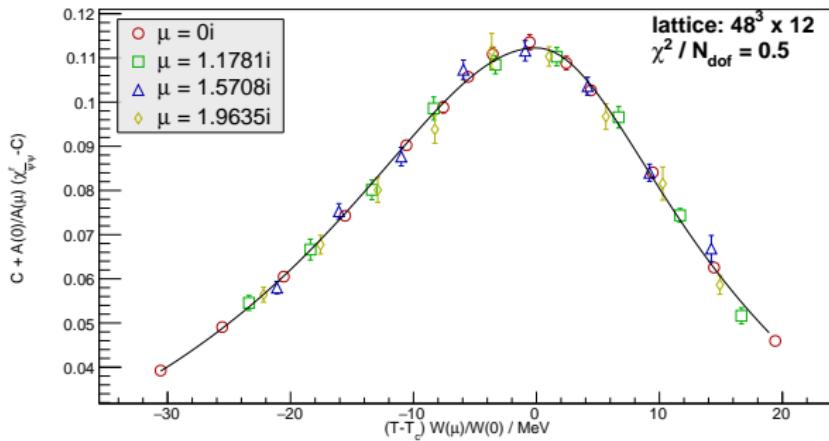
Strangeness susceptibility:

$$\chi_{ss} = \frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial^2 \ln Z}{\partial (\mu_S)^2}$$

S. Borsányi et al (2010, arXiv:1005.3508)



$\chi_{\bar{\psi}\psi}$

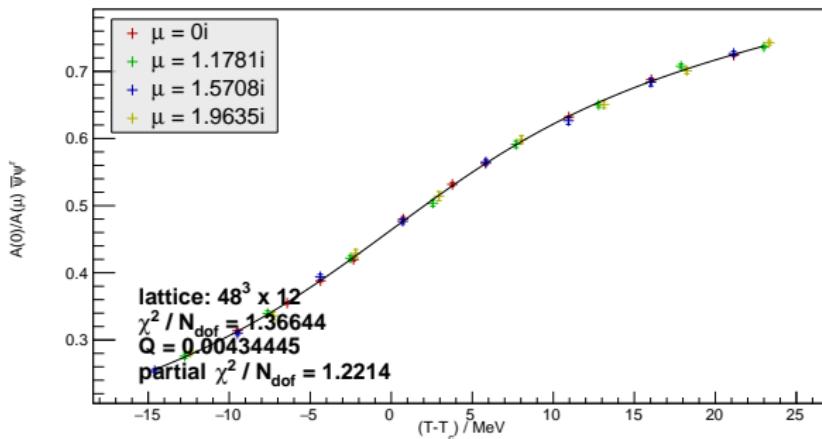


Fit function:

$$\chi_{\bar{\psi}\psi}^r(T) = \begin{cases} C + A^2(\mu) (1 + W^2(\mu)(T - T_c(\mu))^2)^{\alpha/2} & \text{for } T \leq T_c \\ C + A^2(\mu) (1 + b^2 W^2(\mu)(T - T_c(\mu))^2)^{\alpha/2} & \text{for } T > T_c \end{cases}$$

$$(\text{ or } \chi_{\bar{\psi}\psi}^r(T) = C + \frac{A(\mu)}{1 + W^2(\mu)(T - T_c(\mu))^2 + a_3 W^3(\mu)(T - T_c(\mu))^3})$$

$\bar{\psi}\psi$

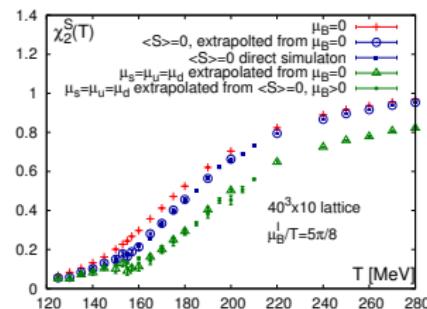
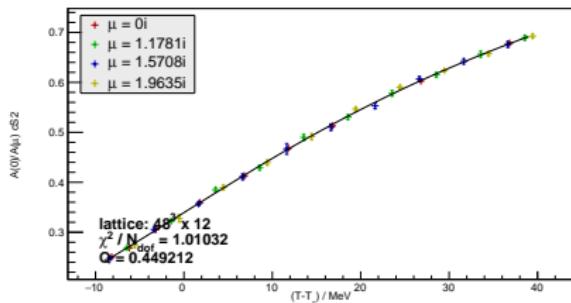


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$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle^r(\mu, T) = A(\mu) (1 + B \tanh [C (T - T_c(\mu))] + D (T - T_c(\mu)))$$

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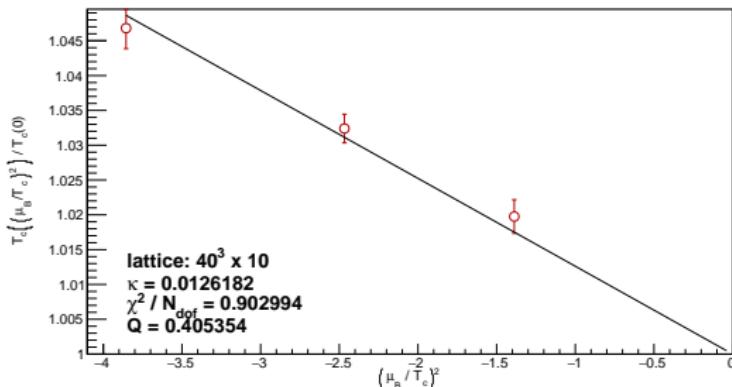


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# Curvature



Curvature function:

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

For error analysis we also fit:

$$C_1(x) = 1 + ax + bx^2$$

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# Continuum extrapolation

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$$\kappa = \kappa^c + A \left( \frac{1}{N_t} \right)^2$$

Combined curvature fit and continuum extrapolation with:

$$\frac{T_c(\mu_B)}{T_c(0)} = 1 - \left( \kappa^c + c_1 \frac{1}{N_t^2} \right) \left( \frac{\mu_B}{T_c} \right)^2$$

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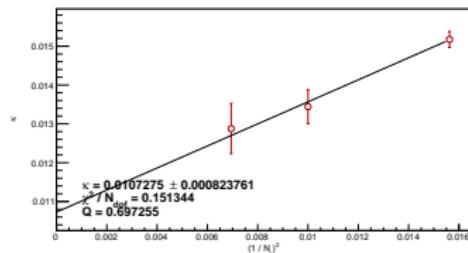
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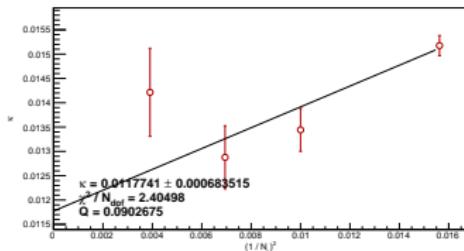
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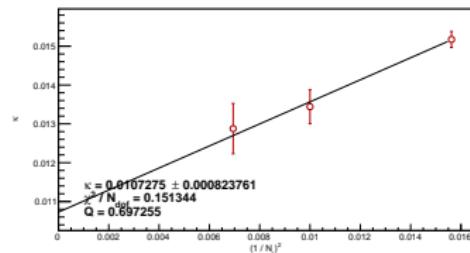
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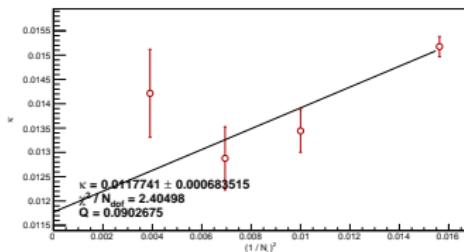
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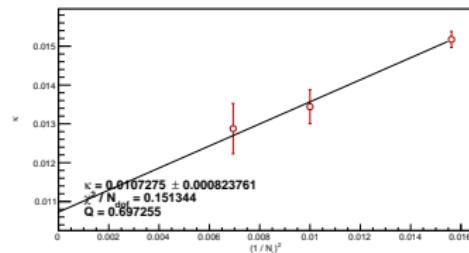
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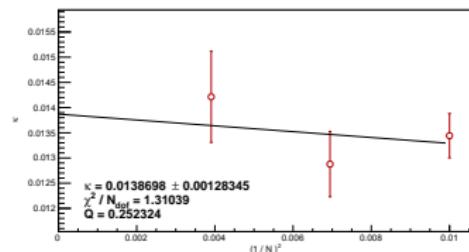
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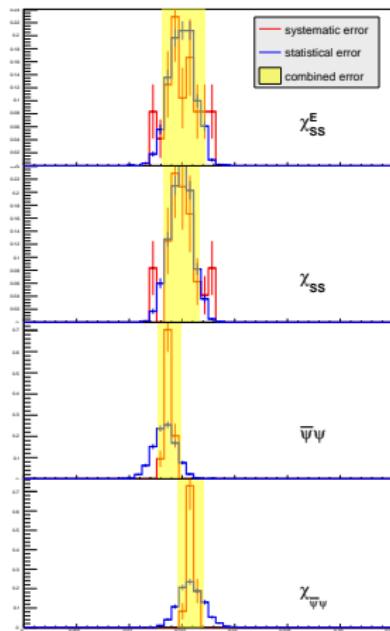
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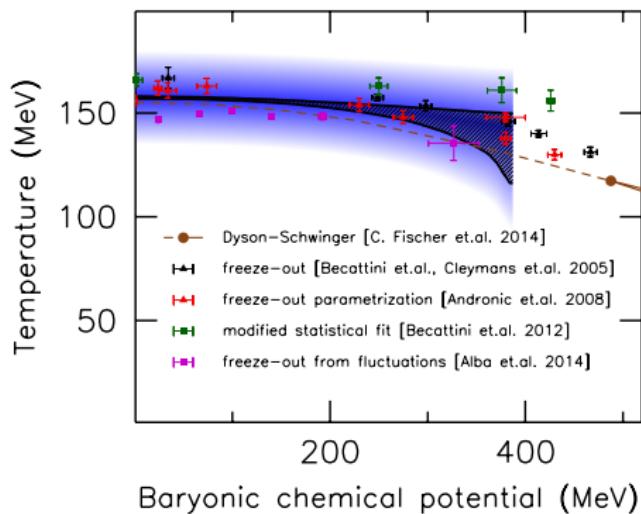


$\chi_{SS}^E$ :  $\langle ns \rangle = 0$  and  
 $0.5\langle B \rangle = \langle Q \rangle$

$\chi_{ss}$ :  $\langle ns \rangle = 0$  and  
 $0.4\langle B \rangle = \langle Q \rangle$

# $T_c$ extrapolation

Determining  $T_c(\mu_B)$  by solving the equation  $\frac{T_c(\mu_B)}{T_c(0)} = C_i \left( -\frac{\mu_B^2}{T_c^2(\mu)} \right)$ .



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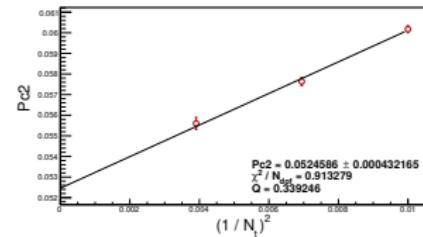
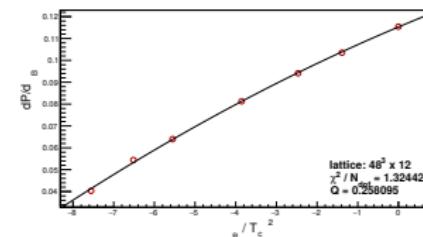
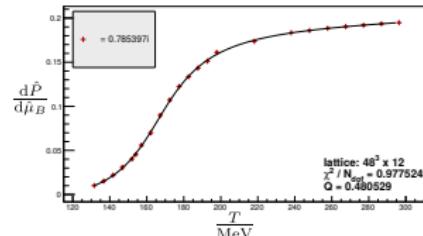
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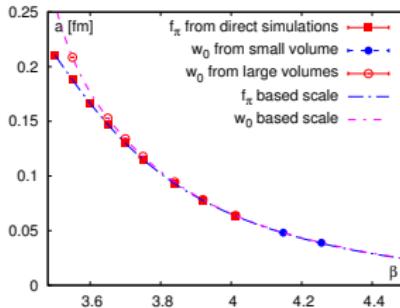
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## Overview over the Analysis

1. Do the simulations at  $\langle n_s \rangle \approx 0$
2. Extrapolate to  $\langle n_s \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle n_Q \rangle = 0.4 \langle n_B \rangle$
3. Make a fit in the  $T$  direction
4. Determine everything you need for the observables
5. Make a fit in the  $\mu_B$  direction
6. Make a fit in the  $\frac{1}{N_t^2}$  direction
7. Determine the observables

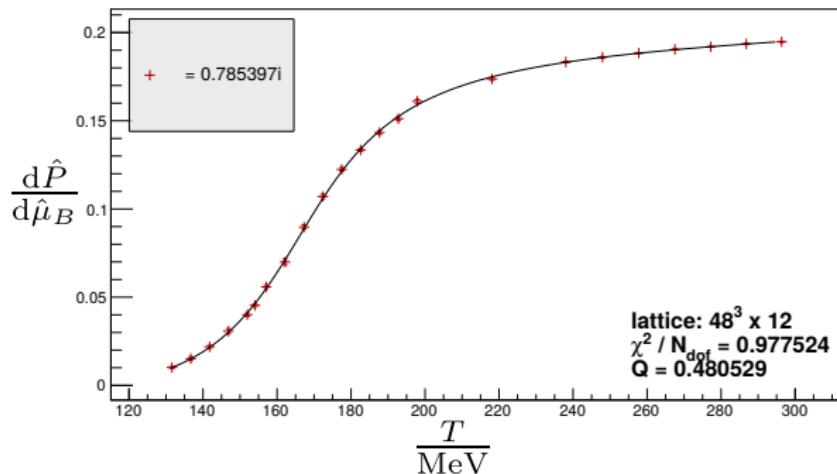


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## Fit in the $T$ direction



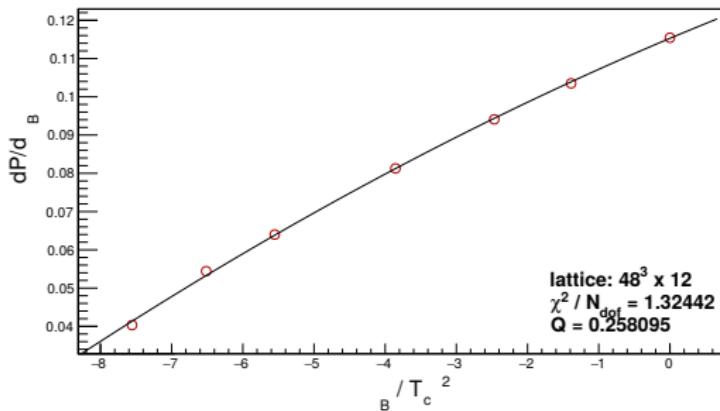
$$A_1(T) = a + bT + c/T + d \arctan(e(T-f))$$

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$$A_3(T) = a + bT + cT^2 + d \arctan(e(T - f))$$

$$A_4(T) = a + bT + cT^2 + d/(1 + e(T - f)^g)^{1/g}.$$

# Fit in the $\mu_B$ direction

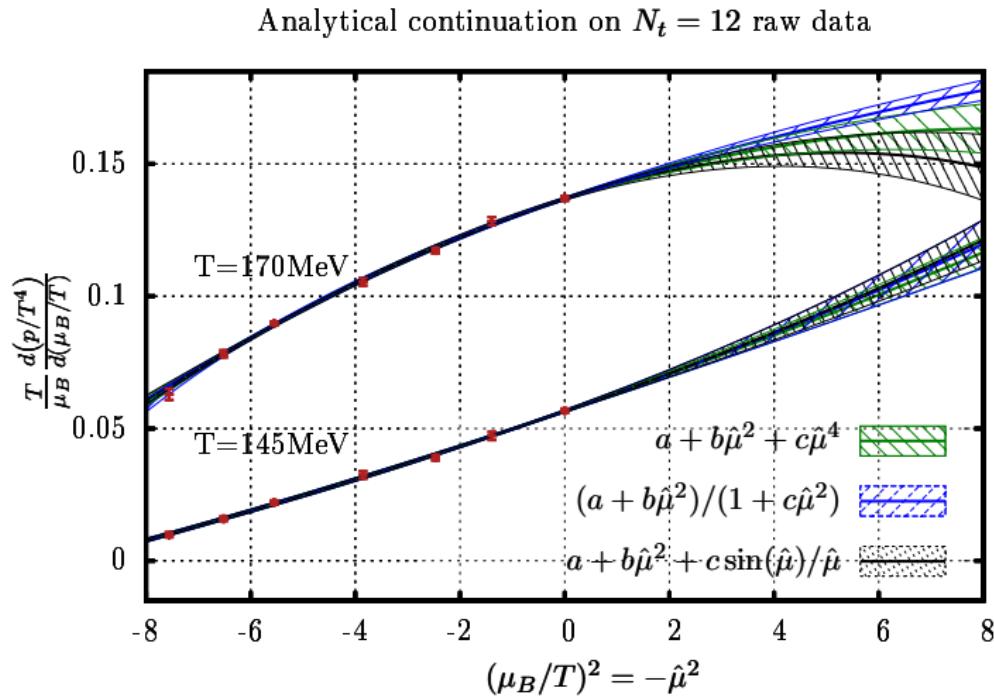


$$B_1(\hat{\mu}) = a + b\hat{\mu}^2 + c\hat{\mu}^4$$

$$B_2(\hat{\mu}) = (a + b\hat{\mu}^2)/(1 + c\hat{\mu}^2)$$

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# Extrapolation from different fit functions



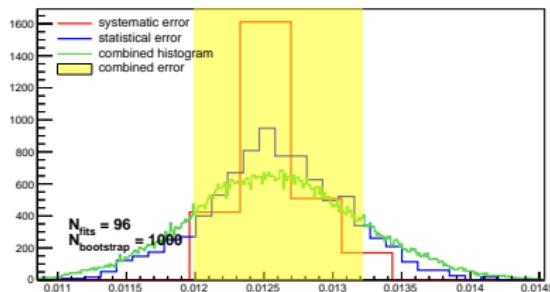
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- ▶ Statistical error:  
Bootstrap method

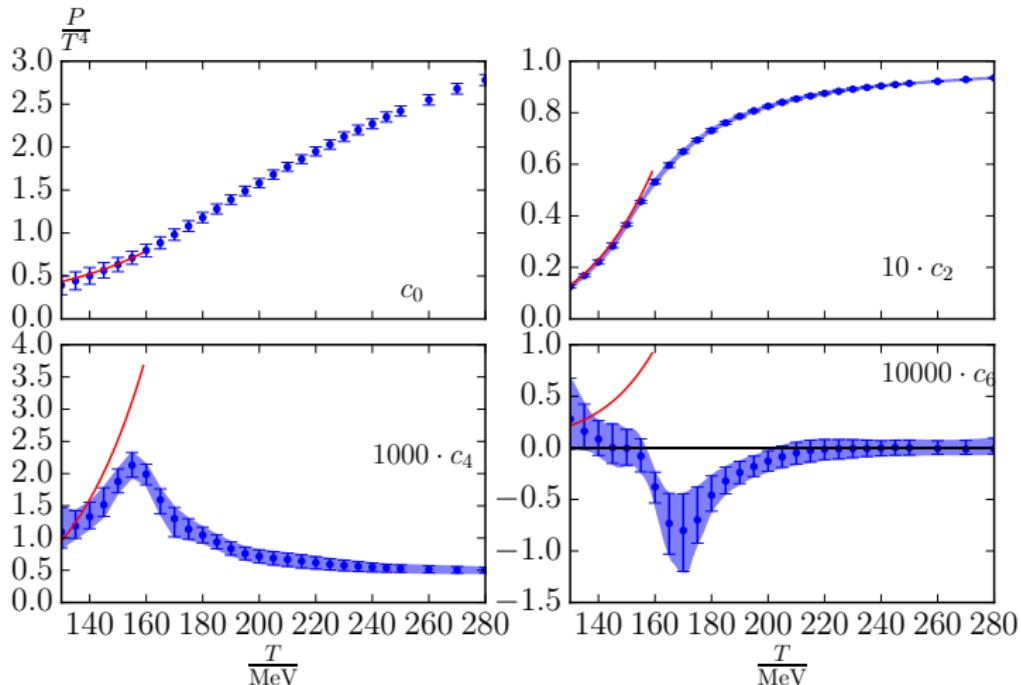
- ▶ Systematic error:  
Using different way of analysis, combining them in a histogram:

- ▶ 4 fit functions for the  $T$  direction
- ▶ 3 fit functions in the  $\mu_B$  direction
- ▶ Doing continuum extrapolation and  $\mu_B$ -fit in one or two steps
- ▶ 2 methods of scale setting:  $f_\pi$  and  $w_0$
- ▶ 2 temperatures from where we use the extrapolated data

This adds up to 96 ways of analysis

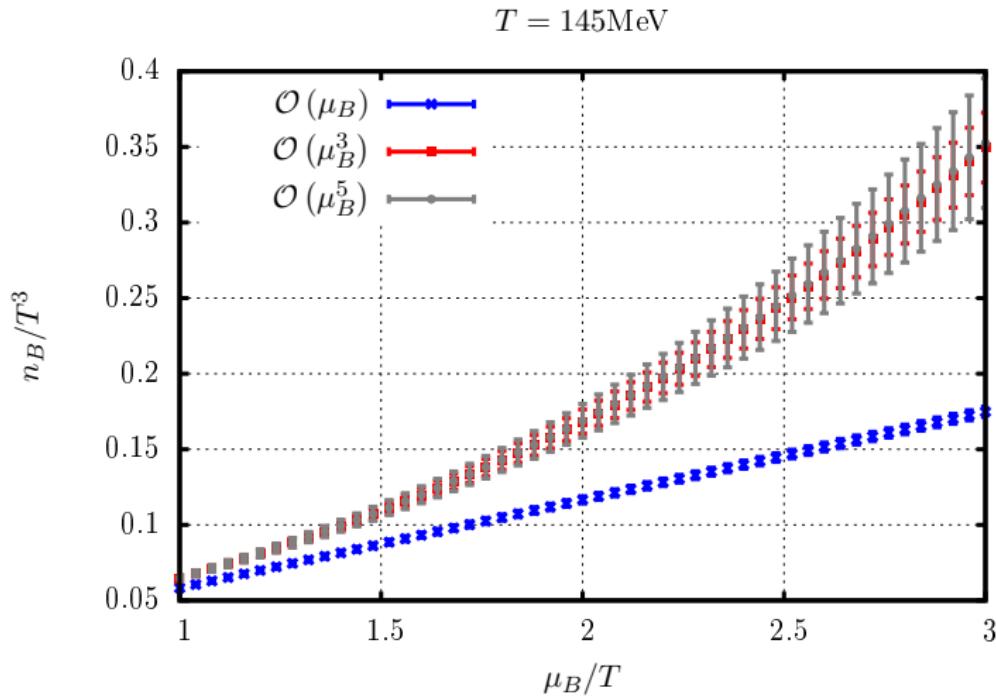


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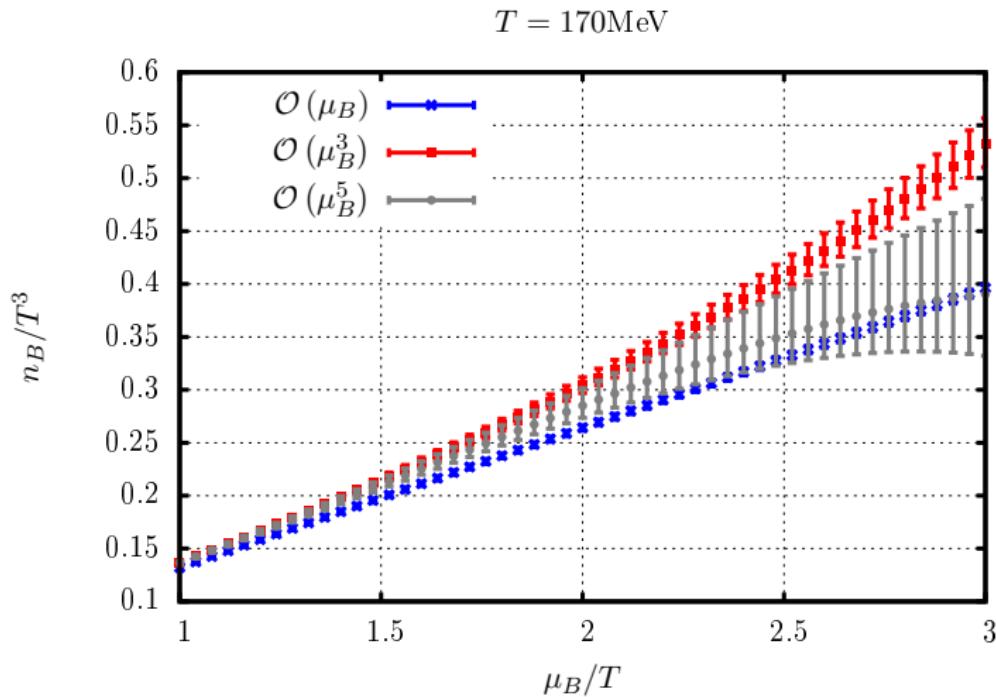


The Taylor coefficients of  $\frac{P}{T^4} = c_0 + c_2 \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^2 + c_4 \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^4 + c_6 \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^6$

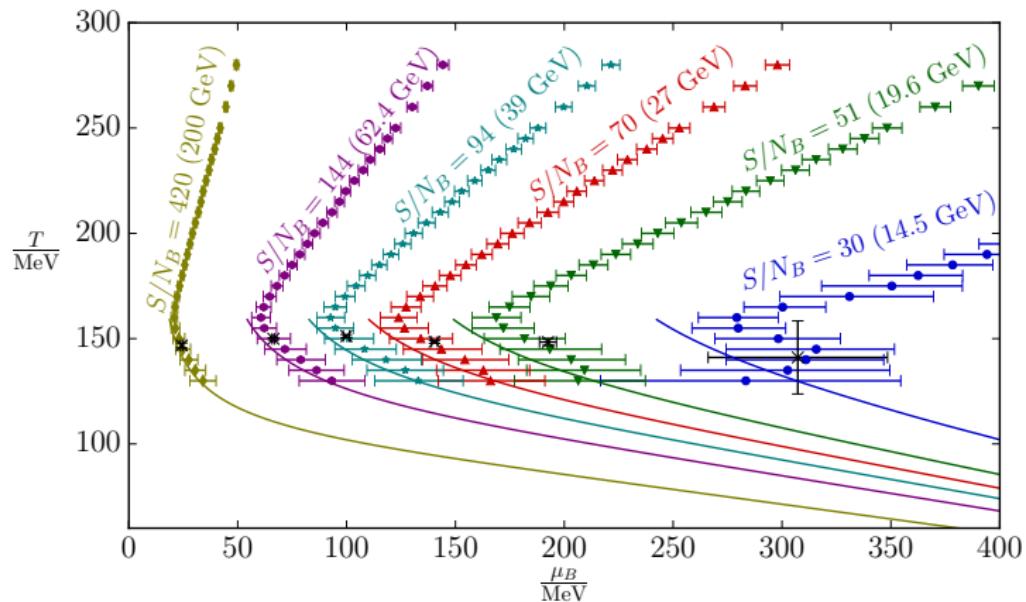
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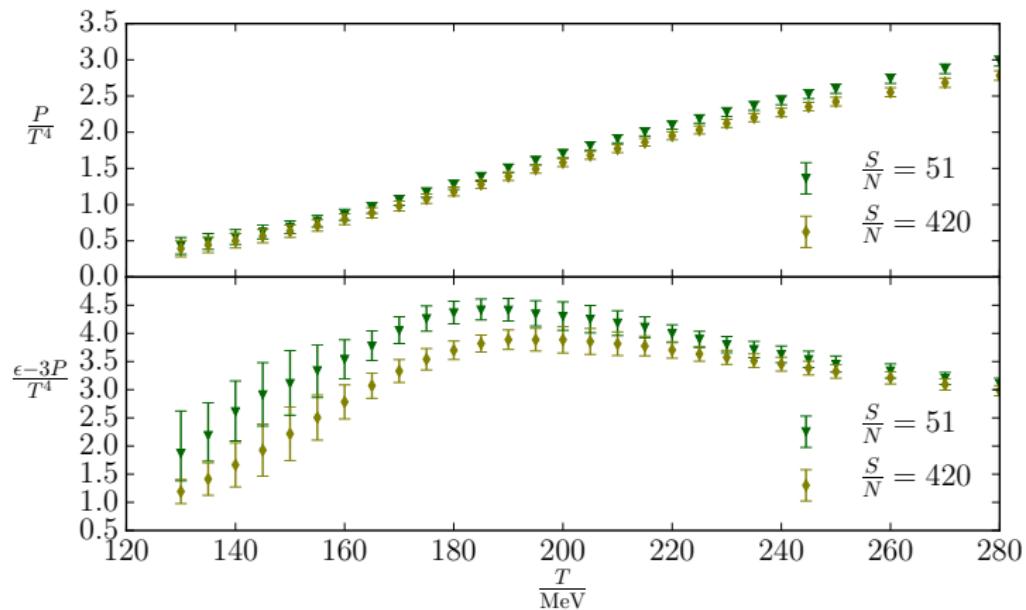
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# Trajectories



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# Conclusion

- ▶ Lattice can investigate the phase diagram at small chemical potential (up to  $\approx 300$  MeV) by analytical continuation via
  1. Taylor expansion method
  2. Simulations at imaginary  $\mu$
- ▶ Results for the transition temperature
- ▶ Results for the equation of state up to order  $\mu^6$
- ▶ This approach only works up to a critical point
- ▶ Other methods have to be found beyond that → two talks this afternoon