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AI for Holographic QCD

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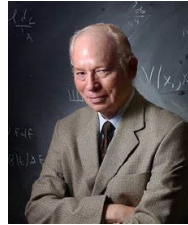
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Outline

- 1, A brief introduction on hQCD
- 2, Quantitative era of hQCD under the help of AI
- 3, Summary and outlook

Challenges of QCD: from UV to IR

**Holographic
QCD might
help! How
does it work?**



**Lagrangian of Quarks &
Gluons at UV**

QM, NJL, SM, HLS,
CHPT,
NRQCD.....

color flux tube
Dual superconductor ...



**Emergent world:
Observables (IR)**

Hadron physics(spectra, form factors, parton distribution functions...), QCD phase transitions(HICs, Cosmology), EOS (Neutron stars)

Strong QCD:

UV:

$SU(N_f)_L \times SU(N_f)_R$

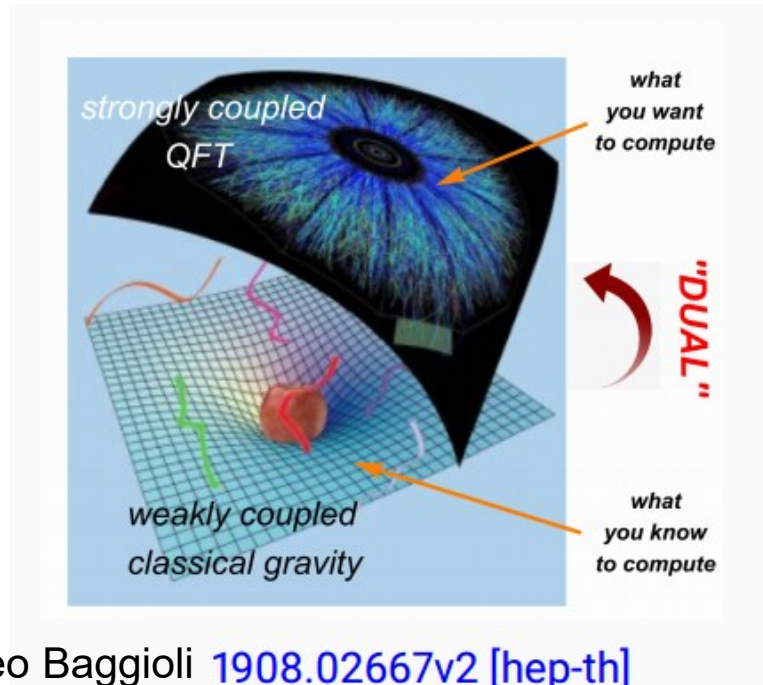
$SU(N_c=3)$

**LQCD,
DSE/fRG**

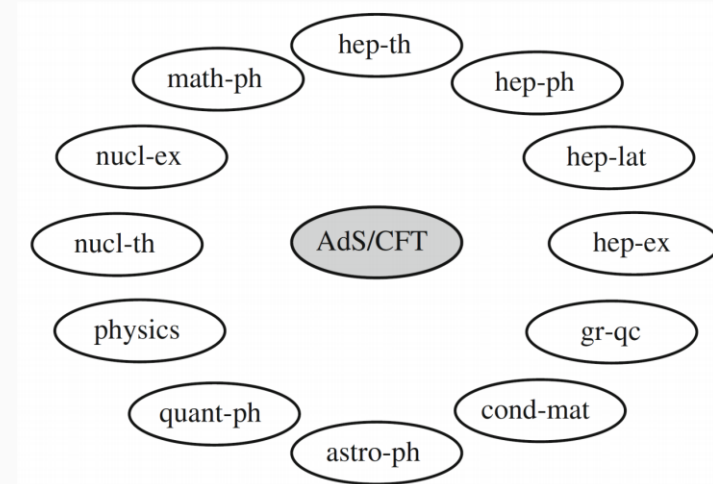
**IR: chiral symmetry
breaking & confinement**

One of the biggest breakthroughs in theory: AdS/CFT

Juan Martin Maldacena. Adv. Theor. Math. Phys., 2:231–252, 1998.
Edward Witten. Adv. Theor. Math. Phys., 2:253–291, 1998.



- The AdS/CFT duality spans all physics arXivs ([Lect.Notes Phys. 903 \(2015\) pp.1-294](#))



Holographic Duality: $(d+1)$ -Gravity/ (d) -QFT

27 years later, is it possible to use AdS/CFT describing the QCD world? How far we are from the gravity duality of QCD?

From UV to IR: RG flow and holography

AdS/CFT as a RG flow

Holographic Duality: (d+1)-Gravity/ (d)-QFT

5D field theory or bulk field theory

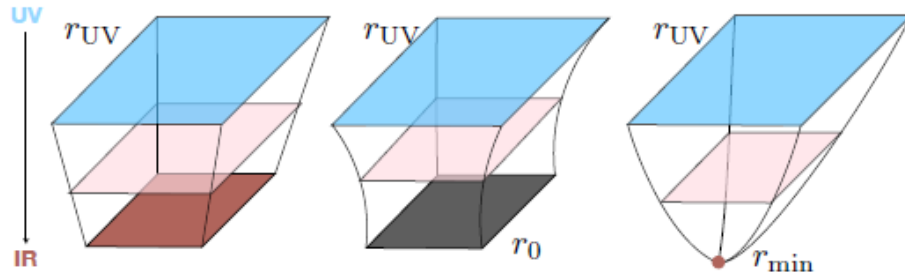
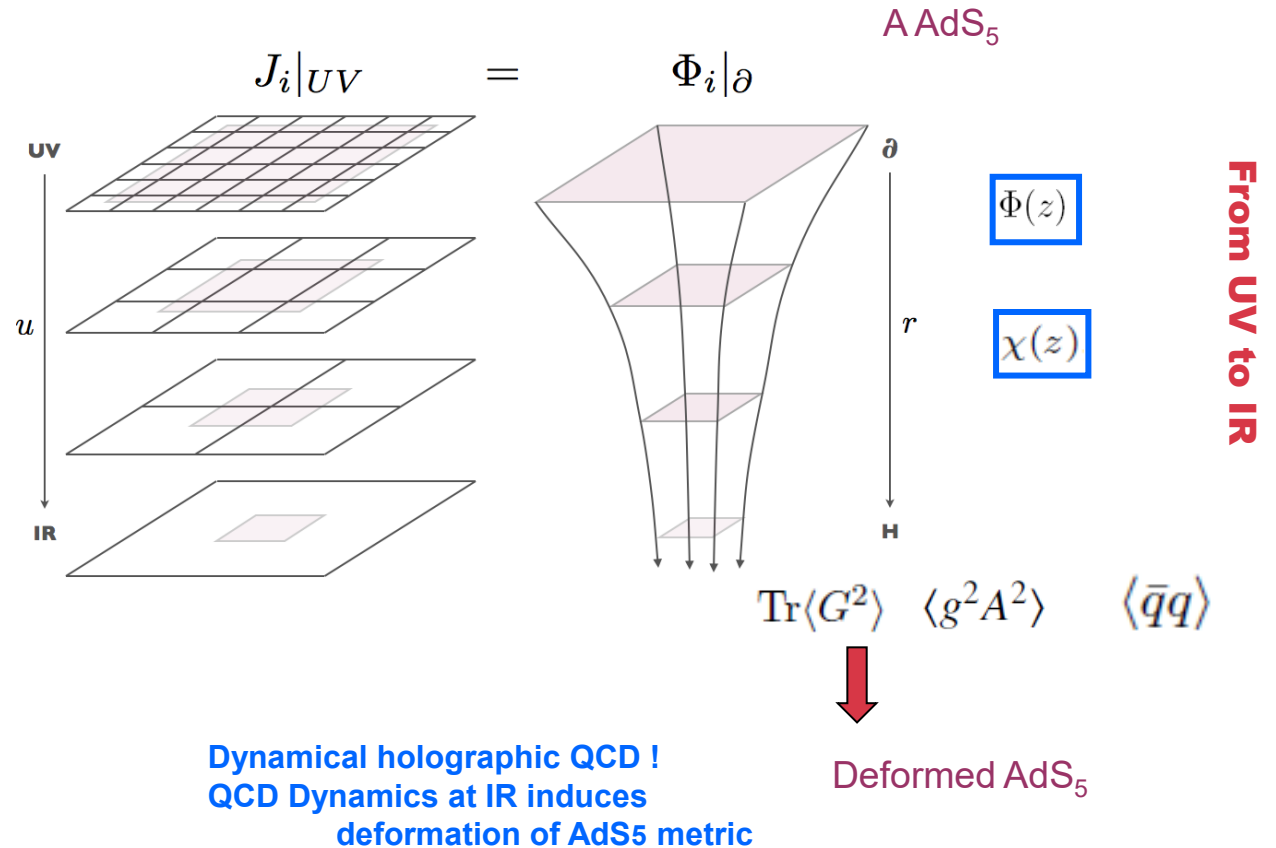


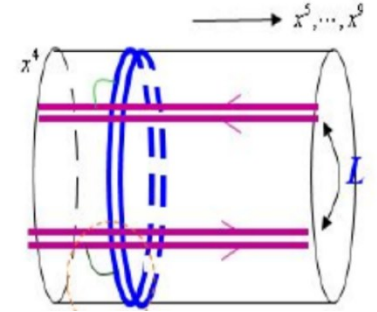
FIG. 1. AdS/CFT as an RG flow. The left panel represents an RG fixed point, so that the entire geometry is scale-invariant (empty AdS). The middle panel shows a thermal state, where the IR geometry is instead a black hole with horizon at r_0 . The third panel represents an RG flow where the UV fixed point flows to gapped theory in the IR, ending smoothly at a minimum radius $r_{\min}$. Only the first geometry is fully scale invariant.

Hong Liu, Julian Sonner, 1810.02367,
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“Entanglement” of gluodynamics and quark dynamics

Top-down **D4/D8,D3/D7** **Dp brane: D4, D3** **Dq brane: D8, D7**



4D EFT **PNJL** **Polyakov–loop potential** **NJL model**

bottom-up **DhQCD** **Dilaton–Background** **Flavor probe**

Dynamical holographic QCD framework

$$S = S_G + \lambda S_f$$

$$S_G = \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \int d^5x \sqrt{g_s} e^{-2\Phi} (R + 4\partial_M \Phi \partial^M \Phi - V_G(\Phi))$$

$$S_f = - \int d^5x \sqrt{g_s} e^{-\Phi} \text{Tr} \left(|DX|^2 + V_X + \frac{1}{4g_5^2} (F_L^2 + F_R^2) \right)$$

Danning Li, M.H., JHEP2013, arXiv:1303.6929

“Entanglement” of gluodynamics and quark dynamics

**Gluonic background + matter field
(Confinement & chiral symmetry breaking)**

Improved hQCD model:

U. Gursoy, E. Kiritsis, F. Nitti

$$S_{\text{V-QCD}} = S_g + S_f$$

$$S_g = M^3 N_c^2 \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left(R - \frac{4}{3} \frac{(\partial\lambda)^2}{\lambda^2} + V_g(\lambda) \right)$$

$$S_f = -M^3 N_f N_c \int d^5x V_f(\lambda, \tau) \sqrt{-\det(g_{\mu\nu} + \kappa(\lambda) \partial_\mu \tau \partial_\nu \tau + w(\lambda) F_{\mu\nu})}$$

$$V_g(\lambda) = 12 \left[1 + V_1 \lambda + \frac{V_2 \lambda^2}{1 + \lambda/\lambda_0} + V_{\text{IR}} e^{-\lambda_0/\lambda} (\lambda/\lambda_0)^{4/3} \sqrt{\log(1 + \lambda/\lambda_0)} \right].$$

DeWolfe-Gubser-Rosen model:

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$$V_\phi(\phi) = -12 \cosh(c_1 \phi) + (6c_1^2 - \frac{3}{2})\phi^2 + c_2 \phi^6,$$

Dual fields: $\phi \leftrightarrow G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}, \quad \mathfrak{a} \leftrightarrow G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}, \quad (A_\mu^{L/R})^{ij} \leftrightarrow \bar{\psi}^i (1 \pm \gamma_5) \gamma_\mu \psi^j$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{V-QCD}} = \mathcal{S}_g + \mathcal{S}_{\text{DBI}} + \mathcal{S}_a + \mathcal{S}_{\text{CS}}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_g = M^3 N_c^2 \int d^5 x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{4}{3} (\partial\phi)^2 + \mathcal{V}_g(\phi) \right]$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{DBI}} = -M^3 N_c \int d^5 x \mathcal{V}_f(\phi) \text{Tr} \left[\sqrt{-\det(g_{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{W}(\phi) F_{\mu\nu}^{(L)})} + (L \leftrightarrow R) \right]$$

$$\mathcal{S}_a = -\frac{M^3 N_c^2}{2} \int d^5 x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{Z}(\phi) \left[\partial_\mu \mathfrak{a} - \text{Tr} (A_\mu^L - A_\mu^R) / N_c \right]^2$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{CS}} = \frac{i N_c}{24\pi^2} \int \text{Tr} \left[-i A_L \wedge F_L \wedge F_L + \frac{1}{2} A_L \wedge A_L \wedge A_L \wedge F_L + \right. \\ \left. + \frac{i}{10} A_L \wedge A_L \wedge A_L \wedge A_L \wedge A_L + (L \leftrightarrow R) \right]$$

“Entanglement” of gluodynamics and quark dynamics

DhQCD model:
(simplest version)

Can add any probe action

$$S = S_G + \lambda S_f$$

Confinement &
chiral symmetry breaking

$$S_G = \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \int d^5x \sqrt{g_s} e^{-2\Phi} (R + 4\partial_M \Phi \partial^M \Phi - V_G(\Phi))$$

$$S_f = - \int d^5x \sqrt{g_s} e^{-\Phi} \text{Tr} \left(|DX|^2 + V_X + \frac{1}{4g_5^2} (F_L^2 + F_R^2) \right)$$

Bulk field theory or 5D field theory

5D(Bulk) field theory, has operator/bulk field correspondence,

flexible to extend to pure gluon sector, 2-flavor, 3-flavor, 4-flavor
finite temperature, chemical potential, magnetic field, rotation

Hadron Physics and QCD matter, Hydrodynamics.....

How does it work?

Boundary QFT

Bulk Gravity

Local operator $\mathcal{O}_i(x)$ $\Delta(d - \Delta) = m^2 L^2$ **Bulk field** $\Phi_i(x, r)$

- Operator/Field correspondence:

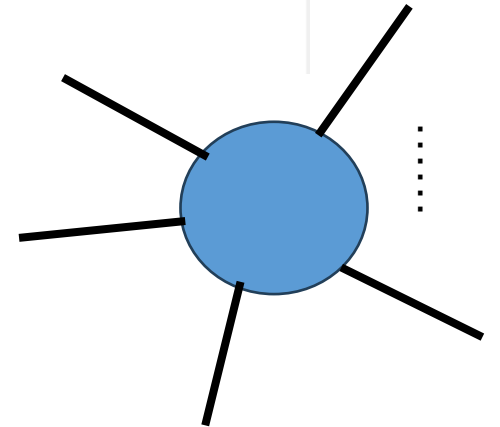
4D boundary operator $\mathcal{O}(x)$ $\iff$ 5D bulk field
 local, gauge invariant, scaling dim. Δ $\phi(x, z \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow z^{4-\Delta} \phi_0(x) + z^\Delta \langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle$

$$\left\langle e^{i \int d^4 x \phi_0(x) \mathcal{O}(x)} \right\rangle_{CFT} = e^{i S_{5D}[\phi(x, z)]} \Big|_{\phi(x, z \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow \phi_0(x)}$$

$$\boxed{Z_{\text{QFT}}[J_i] = Z_{\text{QG}}[\Phi[J_i]]} \quad Z_{\text{QFT}}[J] \simeq e^{-I_{\text{GR}}[\Phi[J]]}$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_1(x_1) \dots \mathcal{O}_n(x_n) \rangle = \frac{\delta^n I_{\text{GR}}[\Phi[J_i]]}{\delta J_1(x_1) \dots \delta J_n(x_n)} \Big|_{J_i=0}$$

Correlators:



Using bulk field to calculate observables: two-point correlation gives mass spectra, three-point correlation gives form factor, and so on.

Hadron spectra and form factors:

glueball, light flavor, heavy flavor

Pure gluon sector

$$\mathcal{L}_G = -\frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}^a(x)G^{\mu\nu,a}(x),$$

Danning Li, M.H., JHEP2013, arXiv:1303.6929

IR: Gluon condensate D=4 $\text{Tr}\langle G^2 \rangle$

Effective gluon mass D=2 $\langle g^2 A^2 \rangle \longrightarrow$ String tension, linear confinement

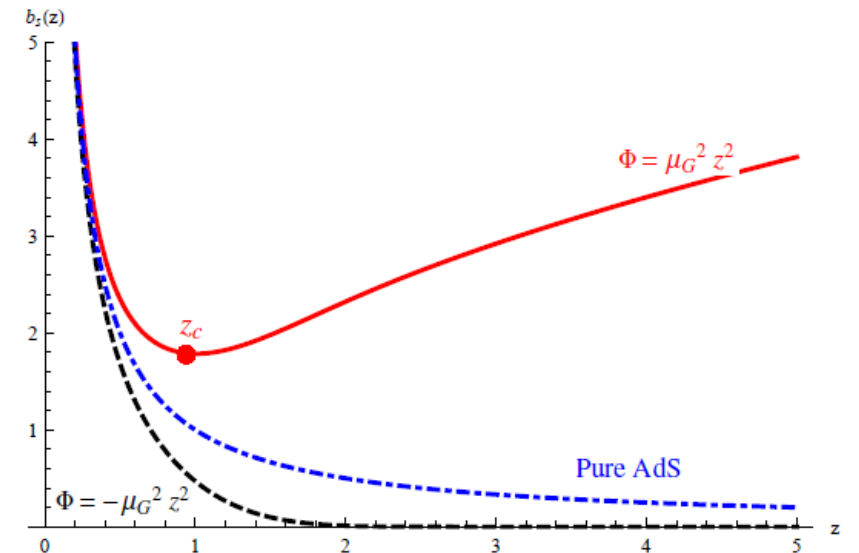
$$S_b^s = \frac{1}{2\kappa_5^2} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g^s} e^{-2\Phi} \left[R^s + 4g^{sMN} \partial_M \Phi \partial_N \Phi - V^s(\Phi) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{h(\Phi)}{4} e^{\frac{4\Phi}{3}} g^{sM\tilde{M}} g^{sN\tilde{N}} F_{MN} F_{\tilde{M}\tilde{N}} \right],$$

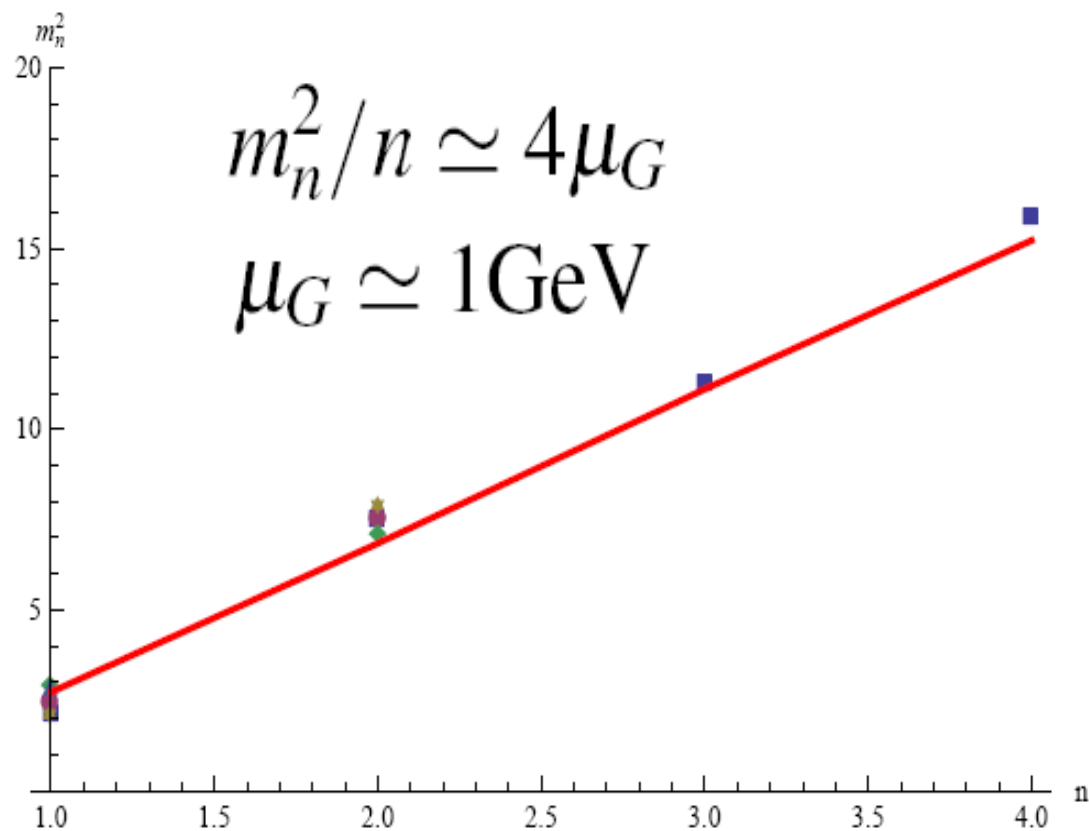
Dimension-2 dilaton field

$$\phi(z) = bz^2,$$

$$V_\phi(\phi) = \frac{1}{L^2} 2 \times 2^{\frac{3}{4}} \times 3^{\frac{1}{4}} \phi^{\frac{3}{2}} \left[\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \right]^2 \left\{ \left[I_{\frac{1}{4}}\left(\frac{\phi}{\sqrt{6}}\right) \right]^2 - 4 \left[I_{-\frac{3}{4}}\left(\frac{\phi}{\sqrt{6}}\right) \right]^2 \right\},$$

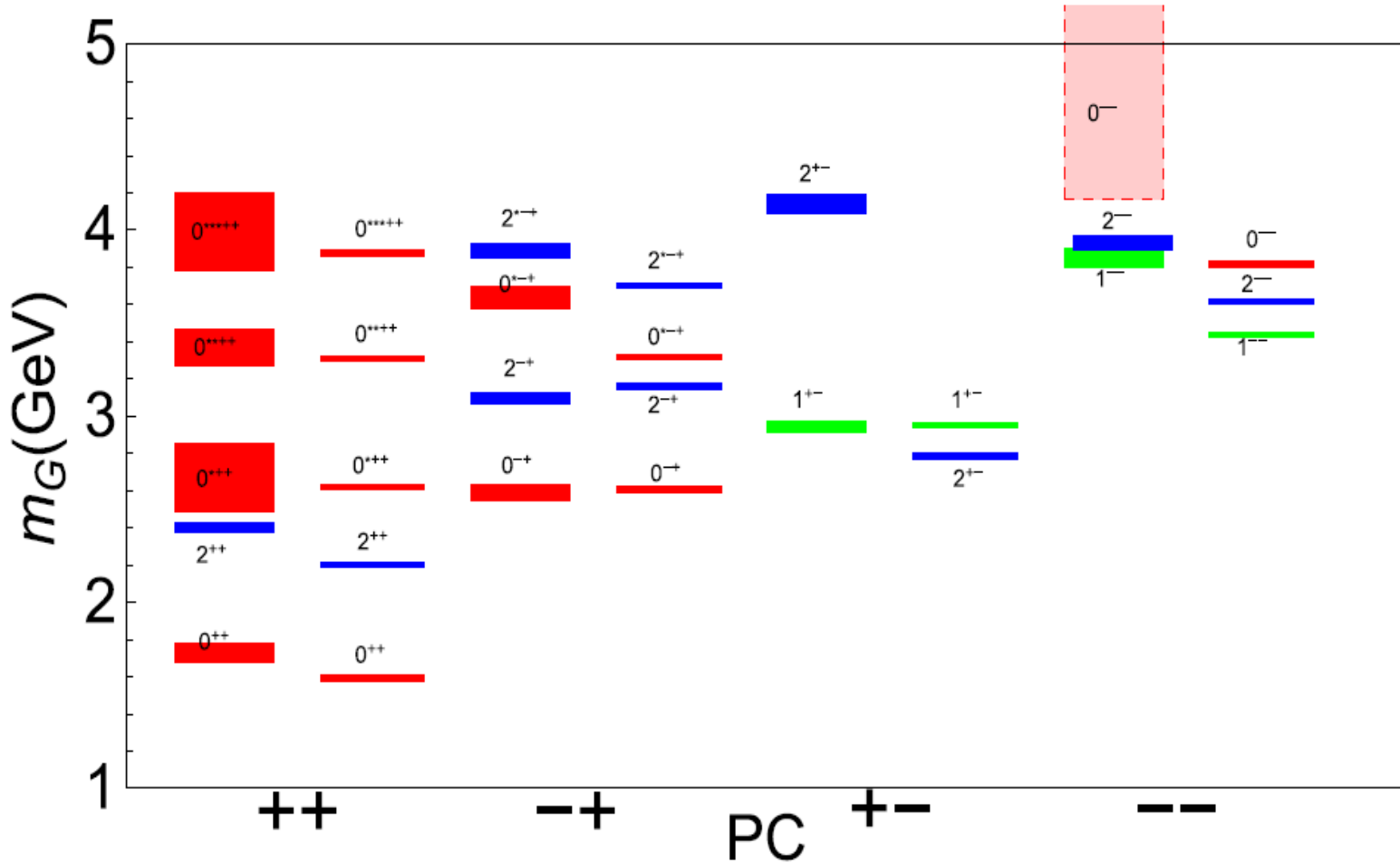
$$A_E(z) = -\ln \left[\frac{2^{\frac{3}{8}} \times 3^{\frac{1}{8}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) I_{\frac{1}{4}}\left(\frac{bz^2}{\sqrt{6}}\right)}{b^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{z}} \right],$$





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Yidian Chen, M.H., 1511.07018



Agree well with lattice result except 0^- and 2^{+-} but ...

J^{PC}	4-dimensional operator: $\mathcal{O}(x)$	Δ	p	M_5^2
0^{++}	$Tr(G^2) = \vec{E}^a \cdot \vec{E}^a - \vec{B}^a \cdot \vec{B}^a$	4	0	0
0^{-+}	$Tr(G\tilde{G}) = \vec{E}^a \cdot \vec{B}^a$	4	0	0
0^{+-}	$Tr \left(\{ (D_\tau G_{\mu\nu}), (D_\tau G_{\rho\nu}) \} (D_\mu G_{\rho\alpha}) \right)$	9	0	45
0^{--}	$Tr \left(\{ (D_\tau G_{\mu\nu}), (D_\tau G_{\rho\nu}) \} (D_\mu \tilde{G}_{\rho\alpha}) \right)$	9	0	45
1^{-+}	$f^{abc} \partial_\mu [G_{\mu\nu}^a] [G_{\nu\rho}^b] [G_{\rho\alpha}^c], f^{abc} \partial_\mu [G_{\mu\nu}^a] [\tilde{G}_{\nu\rho}^b] [\tilde{G}_{\rho\alpha}^c],$ $f^{abc} \partial_\mu [\tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^a] [G_{\nu\rho}^b] [\tilde{G}_{\rho\alpha}^c], f^{abc} \partial_\mu [\tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^a] [\tilde{G}_{\nu\rho}^b] [G_{\rho\alpha}^c]$	7	1	24
1^{+-}	$d^{abc} \left(\vec{E}_a \cdot \vec{E}_b \right) \vec{B}_c$	6	1	15
1^{--}	$d^{abc} \left(\vec{E}_a \cdot \vec{E}_b \right) \vec{E}_c$	6	1	15
2^{++}	$E_i^a E_j^a - B_i^a B_j^a - trace$	4	2	4
2^{-+}	$E_i^a B_j^a + B_i^a E_j^a - trace$	4	2	4
2^{+-}	$d^{abc} \mathcal{S} \left[E_a^i \left(\vec{E}_b \times \vec{B}_c \right)^j \right]$	6	2	16
2^{--}	$d^{abc} \mathcal{S} \left[B_a^i \left(\vec{E}_b \times \vec{B}_c \right)^j \right]$	6	2	16
3^{+-}	$d^{abc} \mathcal{S} \left[B_a^i B_b^j B_c^k \right]$	6	3	15
3^{--}	$d^{abc} \mathcal{S} \left[E_a^i E_b^j E_c^k \right]$	6	3	15

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$$S_{\mathcal{G}} = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^5x \sqrt{g_s} e^{-p\Phi} (\partial_M \mathcal{G} \partial^M \mathcal{G} + M_{\mathcal{G},5}^2(z) \mathcal{G}^2)$$

$$S_V = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^5x \sqrt{g_s} e^{-p\Phi} (\frac{1}{2} F^{MN} F_{MN} + M_{\mathcal{V},5}^2(z) \mathcal{V}^2),$$

$$S_T = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^5x \sqrt{g_s} e^{-p\Phi} (\nabla_L h_{MN} \nabla^L h^{MN} - 2\nabla_L h^{LM} \nabla^N h_{NM} + 2\nabla_M h^{MN} \nabla_N h - \nabla_M h \nabla^M h + M_{h,5}^2(z) (h^{MN} h_{MN} - h^2)),$$

$$-\mathcal{T}_n'' + V_{\mathcal{T}} \mathcal{T}_n = m_{\mathcal{T},n}^2 \mathcal{T}_n,$$

$$V_{\mathcal{T}} = \frac{3A_s'' + \frac{3}{z^2} - p\Phi''}{2} + \frac{\left[3A_s' - \frac{3}{z} - p\Phi'\right]^2}{4} + \frac{1}{z^2} e^{2A_s} e^{-c_{r.m.}\Phi} M_{\mathcal{T},5}^2.$$

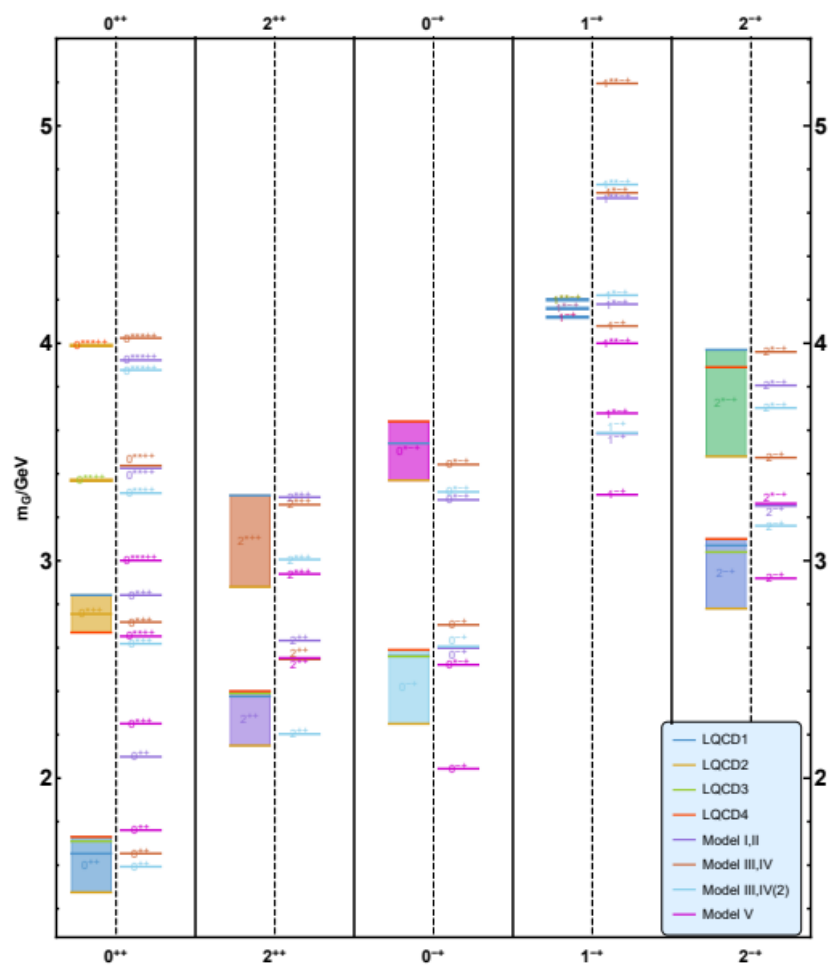
$$-\mathcal{G}_n'' + V_{\mathcal{G}} \mathcal{G}_n = m_{\mathcal{G},n}^2 \mathcal{G}_n,$$

$$V_{\mathcal{G}} = \frac{3A_s'' + \frac{3}{z^2} - p\Phi''}{2} + \frac{\left[3A_s' - \frac{3}{z} - p\Phi'\right]^2}{4} + \frac{1}{z^2} e^{2A_s} e^{-c_{r.m.}\Phi} M_{\mathcal{G},5}^2.$$

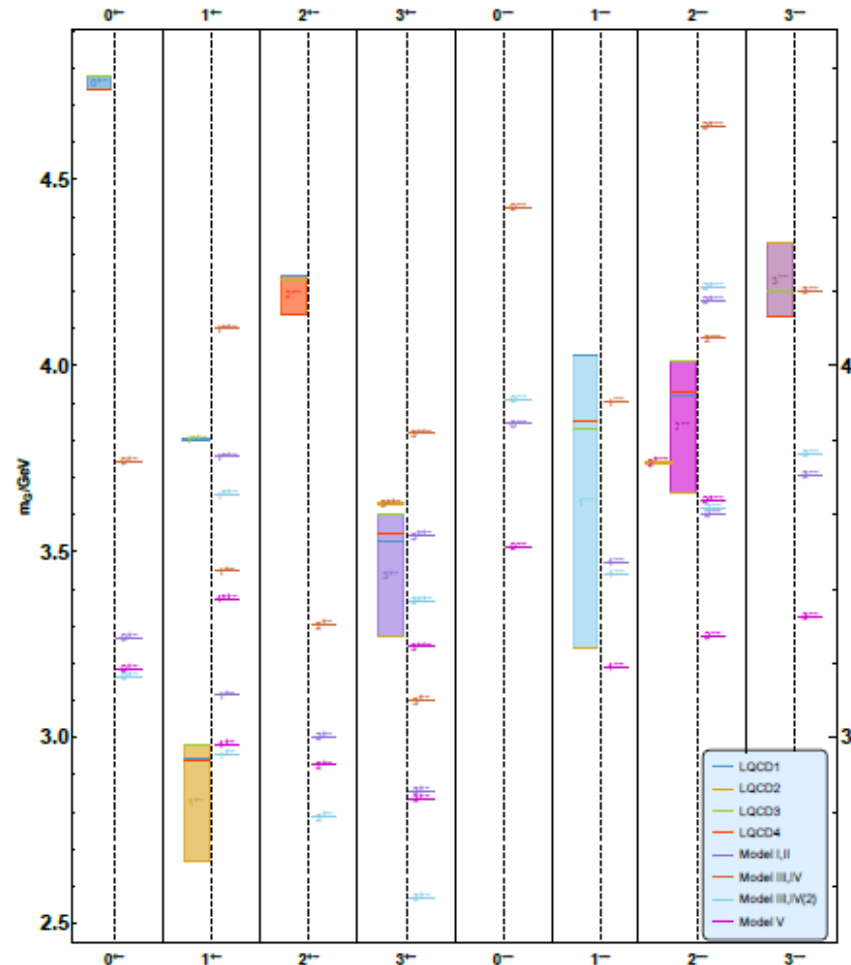
$$-\mathcal{V}_n'' + V_{\mathcal{V}} \mathcal{V}_n = m_{\mathcal{V},n}^2 \mathcal{V}_n,$$

$$V_{\mathcal{V}} = \frac{A_s'' + \frac{1}{z^2} - p\Phi''}{2} + \frac{\left[A_s' - \frac{1}{z} - p\Phi'\right]^2}{4} + \frac{1}{z^2} e^{2A_s} e^{-c_{r.m.}\Phi} M_{\mathcal{V},5}^2.$$

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Glueball



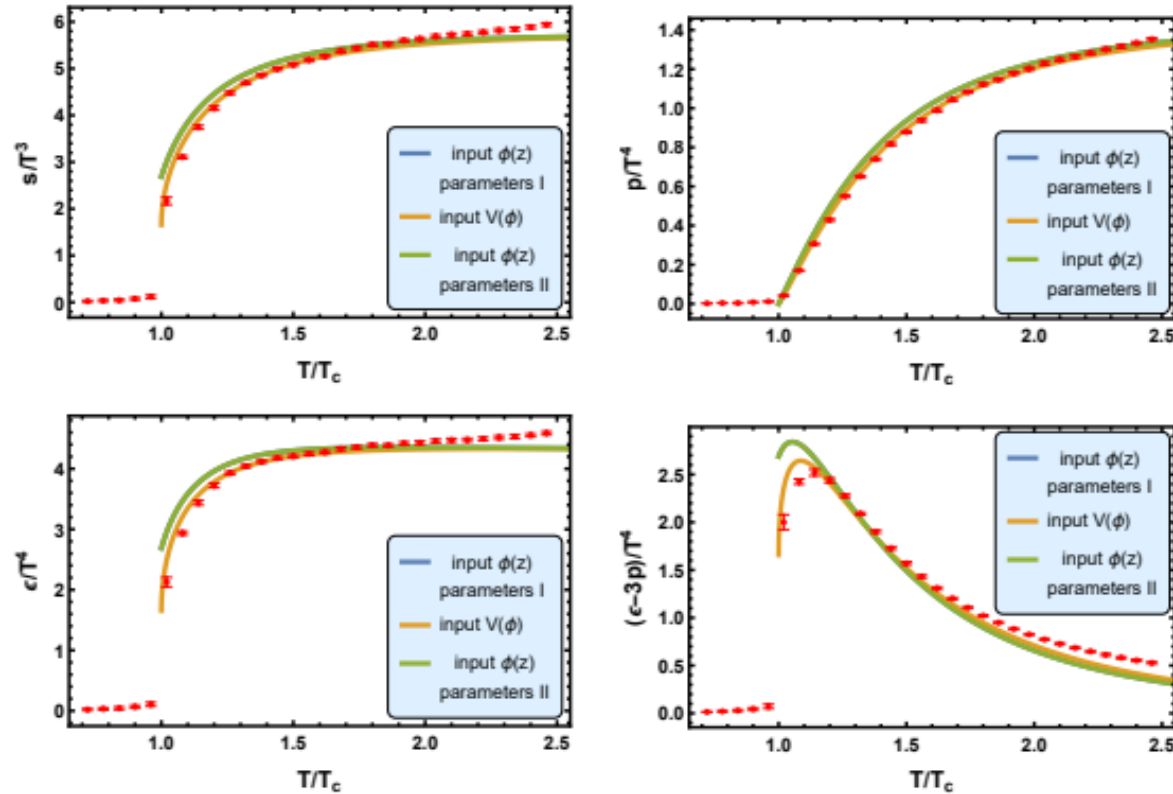
Odd ball

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gluon background

$$\phi(z) = c_1 z^2,$$

Agree well with lattice results on EOS for pure gluon system



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Quadratic dilaton field describes pure gluon system reasonably well.

Graviton-Dilaton-Scalar system for 2-flavor system

D.N. Li, M.H., JHEP2013, arXiv:1303.6929

Action for pure gluon system: Graviton-dilaton coupling

$$S_G = \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \int d^5x \sqrt{g_s} e^{-2\Phi} (R + 4\partial_M \Phi \partial^M \Phi - V_G(\Phi))$$

Gluonic background

Action for light hadrons: KKSS model (promote dilaton field to a dynamical field)

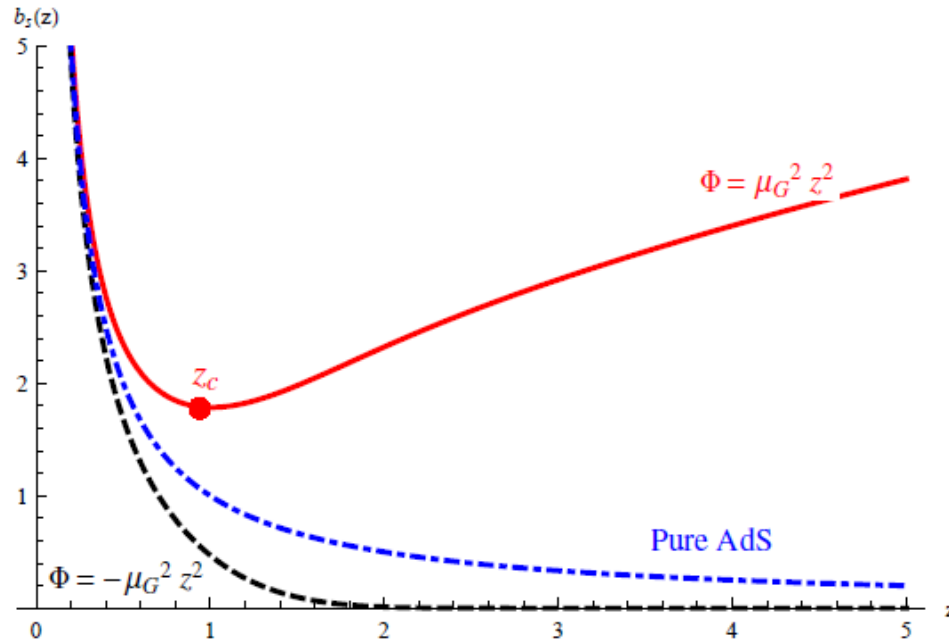
$$S_{KKSS} = - \int d^5x \sqrt{g_s} e^{-\Phi} \text{Tr}(|DX|^2 + V_X(X^\dagger X, \Phi) + \frac{1}{4g_5^2}(F_L^2 + F_R^2)).$$

5D linear sigma model

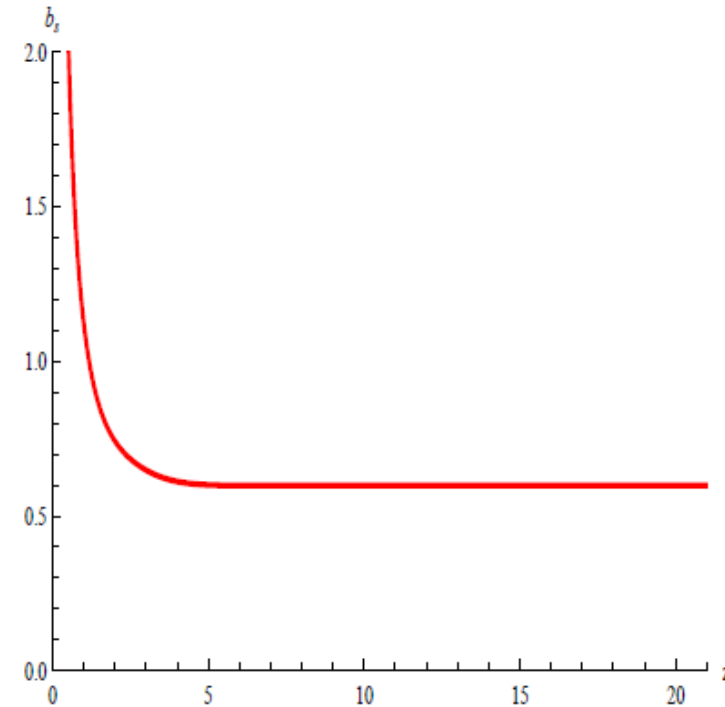
Total action:

$$S = S_G + \frac{N_f}{N_c} S_{KKSS}$$

Quenched background



Unquenched background



$$\begin{aligned}
 -A_s'' + A_s'^2 + \frac{2}{3}\Phi'' - \frac{4}{3}A_s'\Phi' - \frac{\lambda}{6}e^\Phi\chi'^2 &= 0, \\
 \Phi'' + (3A_s' - 2\Phi')\Phi' - \frac{3\lambda}{16}e^\Phi\chi'^2 - \frac{3}{8}e^{2A_s - \frac{4}{3}\Phi}\partial_\Phi \left(V_G(\Phi) + \lambda e^{\frac{7}{3}\Phi} V_C(\chi, \Phi) \right) &= 0, \\
 \chi'' + (3A_s' - \Phi')\chi' - e^{2A_s} V_{C,\chi}(\chi, \Phi) &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Two-point correlator gives the spectra:

$$\begin{aligned}
-s_n'' + V_s(z)s_n &= m_n^2 s_n, \\
-\pi_n'' + V_{\pi,\varphi}\pi_n &= m_n^2 (\pi_n - e^{A_s}\chi\varphi_n), \\
-\varphi_n'' + V_\varphi\varphi_n &= g_5^2 e^{A_s}\chi(\pi_n - e^{A_s}\chi\varphi_n), \\
-v_n'' + V_v(z)v_n &= m_{n,v}^2 v_n, \\
-a_n'' + V_a a_n &= m_n^2 a_n,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
V_s &= \frac{3A_s'' - \phi''}{2} + \frac{(3A_s' - \phi')^2}{4} + e^{2A_s}V_{C,\chi\chi}, \\
V_{\pi,\varphi} &= \frac{3A_s'' - \phi'' + 2\chi''/\chi - 2\chi'^2/\chi^2}{2} \\
&\quad + \frac{(3A_s' - \phi' + 2\chi'/\chi)^2}{4}, \\
V_\varphi &= \frac{A_s'' - \phi''}{2} + \frac{(A_s' - \phi')^2}{4}, \\
V_v &= \frac{A_s'' - \phi''}{2} + \frac{(A_s' - \phi')^2}{4}, \\
V_a &= \frac{A_s' - \phi'}{2} + \frac{(A_s' - \phi')^2}{4} + g_5^2 e^{2A_s}\chi^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Three-point correlator gives form factor:

$$f_\pi^2 F_\pi(Q^2) = \frac{N_f}{g_5^2 N_c} \int dz e^{A_s - \Phi} V(q^2, z) \{ (\partial_z \varphi)^2 + g_5^2 \chi^2 e^{2A_s} (\pi - \varphi)^2 \},$$

$$\textit{Dilaton in Mod I :} \quad \Phi(z) = \mu_G^2 z^2$$

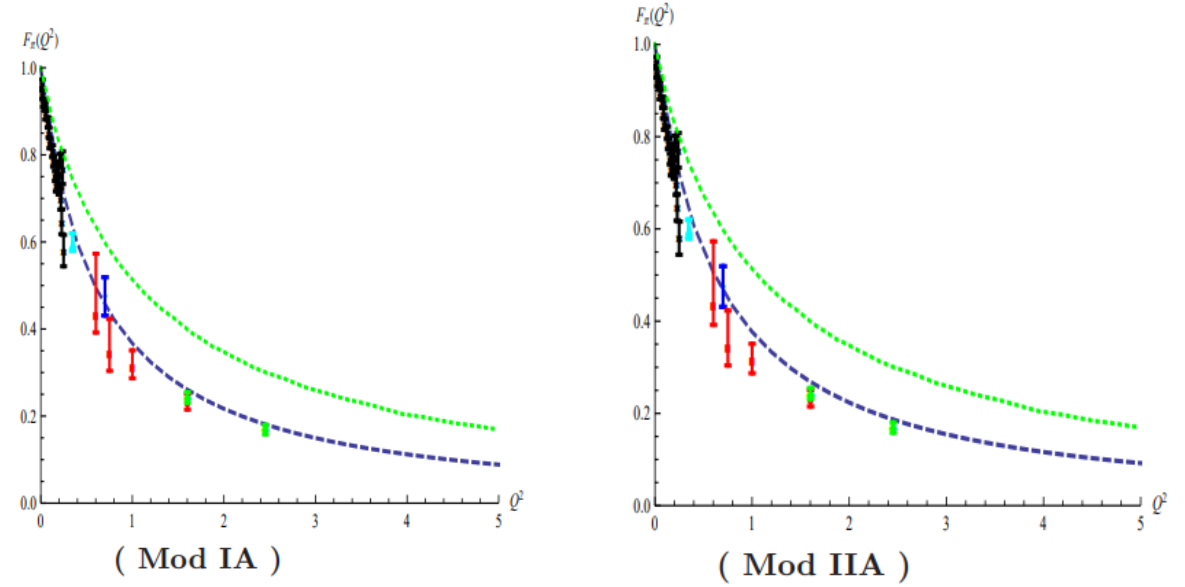
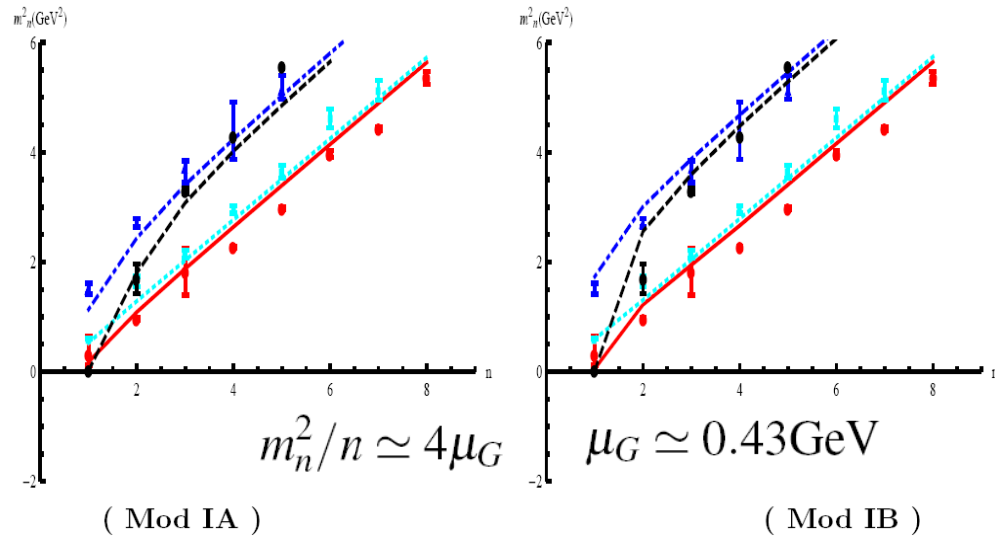
$$\textit{Dilaton in Mod II :} \quad \Phi(z) = \mu_G^2 z^2 \tanh(\mu_{G^2}^4 z^2 / \mu_G^2)$$

	Mod IA	Mod IB	Mod IIA	Mod IIB
G_5/L^3	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75
m_q (MeV)	5.8	5.0	8.4	6.2
$\sigma^{1/3}$ (MeV)	180	240	165	226
μ_G	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.43
μ_{G^2}	-	-	0.43	0.43

Table 7. Two sets of parameters.

Produced hadron spectra and pion form factor comparing with data

D.N. Li, M.H., JHEP2013, arXiv:1303.6929



Ground states: chiral symmetry breaking
Excitation states: linear confinement

Spectra and pion form factor cannot be simultaneously produced!

Graviton-Dilaton-Scalar system for 4-flavor system

$$S_M = - \int_{\epsilon}^{z_m} d^5x \sqrt{-g} e^{-\phi} \text{Tr} \left\{ (D^M X)^\dagger (D_M X) + M_5^2 |X|^2 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{4g_5^2} (L^{MN} L_{MN} + R^{MN} R_{MN}) + (D^M H)^\dagger (D_M H) + M_5^2 |H|^2 \right\},$$

extended Linear Sigma Model

W. I. Eshraim, F. Giacosa and D. H. Rischke,
Eur. Phys. J. A 51, no.9, 112 (2015)

$$V = V^a t^a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\omega'}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\psi}{\sqrt{12}} & \rho^+ & K^{*+} & \bar{D}^{*0} \\ \rho^- & -\frac{\rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\omega'}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\psi}{\sqrt{12}} & K^{*0} & D^{*-} \\ K^{*-} & \bar{K}^{*0} & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\omega' + \frac{\psi}{\sqrt{12}} & D_s^{*-} \\ D^{*0} & D^{*+} & D_s^{*+} & -\frac{3}{\sqrt{12}}\psi \end{pmatrix},$$

$$A = A^a t^a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a_1^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{f_1}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\chi_{c1}}{\sqrt{12}} & a_1^+ & K_1^+ & \bar{D}_1^0 \\ a_1^- & -\frac{a_1^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{f_1}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\chi_{c1}}{\sqrt{12}} & K_1^0 & D_1^- \\ K_1^- & \bar{K}_1^0 & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}(f_1) + \frac{\chi_{c1}}{\sqrt{12}} & D_{s1}^- \\ D_1^0 & D_1^+ & D_{s1}^+ & -\frac{3}{\sqrt{12}}\chi_{c1} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\pi = \pi^a t^a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\eta_c}{\sqrt{12}} & \pi^+ & K^+ & \bar{D}^0 \\ \pi^- & -\frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\eta_c}{\sqrt{12}} & K^0 & D^- \\ K^- & \bar{K}^0 & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\eta + \frac{\eta_c}{\sqrt{12}} & D_s^- \\ D^0 & D^+ & D_s^+ & -\frac{3}{\sqrt{12}}\eta_c \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solving background with chiral condensate:

$$S^{(0)} = - \frac{1}{4} \int_{\epsilon}^{z_m} d^5x \left\{ \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{z^3} (2v_l'(z)v_l'(z) + v_s'(z)v_s'(z) + v_c'(z)v_c'(z)) - \right. \\ \left. \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{z^5} \left(3(2v_l(z)^2 + v_s(z)^2 + v_c(z)^2) - \frac{\kappa}{4} (2v_l(z)^4 + v_s(z)^4 + v_c(z)^4) \right) + \right. \\ \left. \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{z^3} (h_c'(z)h_c'(z)) - \frac{3e^{-\phi(z)}}{z^5} h_c(z)^2 \right\}$$

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Two-point correlation function gives mass

$$S^{(2)} = - \int d^5x \left\{ \eta^{MN} \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{z^3} \left((\partial_M \pi^a - A_M^a) (\partial_N \pi^b - A_N^b) M_A^{ab} - V_M^a V_N^b M_V^{ab} + V_{HM}^a V_{HN}^b M_{VH}^{ab} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{4g_5^2 z} \eta^{MP} \eta^{NQ} (V_{MN}^a V_{PQ}^b + A_{MN}^a A_{PQ}^b) \right\} \quad \langle J_\mu^{V,a} J_\nu^{V,b} \rangle \simeq \delta^{ab} (q_\mu q_\nu - q^2 g_{\mu\nu}) \times \frac{F_\rho^2}{q^2 - m_\rho^2},$$

Vector field

$$V = V^a t^a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\omega'}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\psi}{\sqrt{12}} & \rho^+ & K^{*+} & \bar{D}^{*0} \\ \rho^- & -\frac{\rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\omega'}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\psi}{\sqrt{12}} & K^{*0} & D^{*-} \\ K^{*-} & \bar{K}^{*0} & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\omega' + \frac{\psi}{\sqrt{12}} & D_s^{*-} \\ D^{*0} & D^{*+} & D_s^{*+} & -\frac{3}{\sqrt{12}}\psi \end{pmatrix},$$

Axial vector field

$$A = A^a t^a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a_1^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{f_1}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\chi_{c1}}{\sqrt{12}} & a_1^+ & K_1^+ & \bar{D}_1^0 \\ a_1^- & -\frac{a_1^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{f_1}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\chi_{c1}}{\sqrt{12}} & K_1^0 & D_1^- \\ K_1^- & \bar{K}_1^0 & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}f_1 + \frac{\chi_{c1}}{\sqrt{12}} & D_{s1}^- \\ D_1^0 & D_1^+ & D_{s1}^+ & -\frac{3}{\sqrt{12}}\chi_{c1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad a = 1, 2, \dots, 15$$

Pseudoscalar field

$$\pi = \pi^a t^a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\eta_c}{\sqrt{12}} & \pi^+ & K^+ & \bar{D}^0 \\ \pi^- & -\frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{\eta_c}{\sqrt{12}} & K^0 & D^- \\ K^- & \bar{K}^0 & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\eta + \frac{\eta_c}{\sqrt{12}} & D_s^- \\ D^0 & D^+ & D_s^+ & -\frac{3}{\sqrt{12}}\eta_c \end{pmatrix}.$$

EOM for hadrons: eigenvalues give hadron spectra

$$-s_n'' + V_s(z)s_n = m_n^2 s_n,$$

$$-\pi_n'' + V_{\pi,\varphi}\pi_n = m_n^2(\pi_n - e^{A_s}\chi\varphi_n),$$

$$-\varphi_n'' + V_\varphi\varphi_n = g_5^2 e^{A_s}\chi(\pi_n - e^{A_s}\chi\varphi_n),$$

$$-v_n'' + V_v(z)v_n = m_{n,v}^2 v_n,$$

$$-a_n'' + V_a a_n = m_n^2 a_n,$$

$$\langle J_\mu^{V,a} J_\nu^{V,b} \rangle \simeq \delta^{ab}(q_\mu q_\nu - q^2 g_{\mu\nu}) \times \frac{F_\rho^2}{q^2 - m_\rho^2},$$

$$V_s = \frac{3A_s'' - \Phi''}{2} + \frac{(3A_s' - \Phi')^2}{4} + e^{2A_s} V_{C,\chi\chi},$$

$$V_{\pi,\varphi} = \frac{3A_s'' - \Phi'' + 2\chi''/\chi - 2\chi'^2/\chi^2}{2} + \frac{(3A_s' - \Phi' + 2\chi'/\chi)^2}{4},$$

$$V_\varphi = \frac{A_s'' - \Phi''}{2} + \frac{(A_s' - \Phi')^2}{4},$$

$$V_v = \frac{A_s'' - \Phi''}{2} + \frac{(A_s' - \Phi')^2}{4},$$

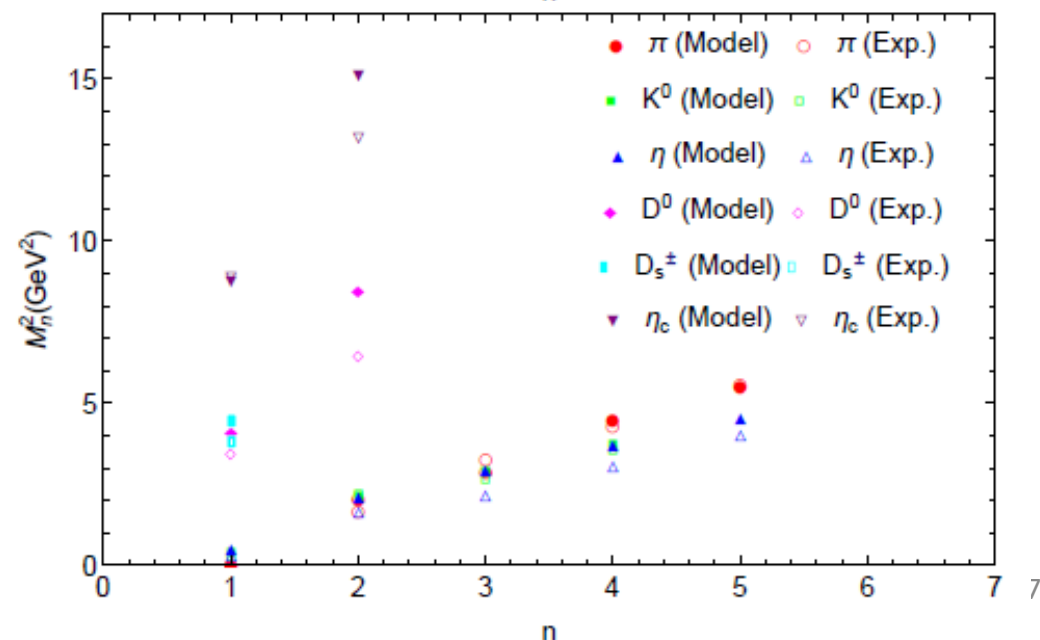
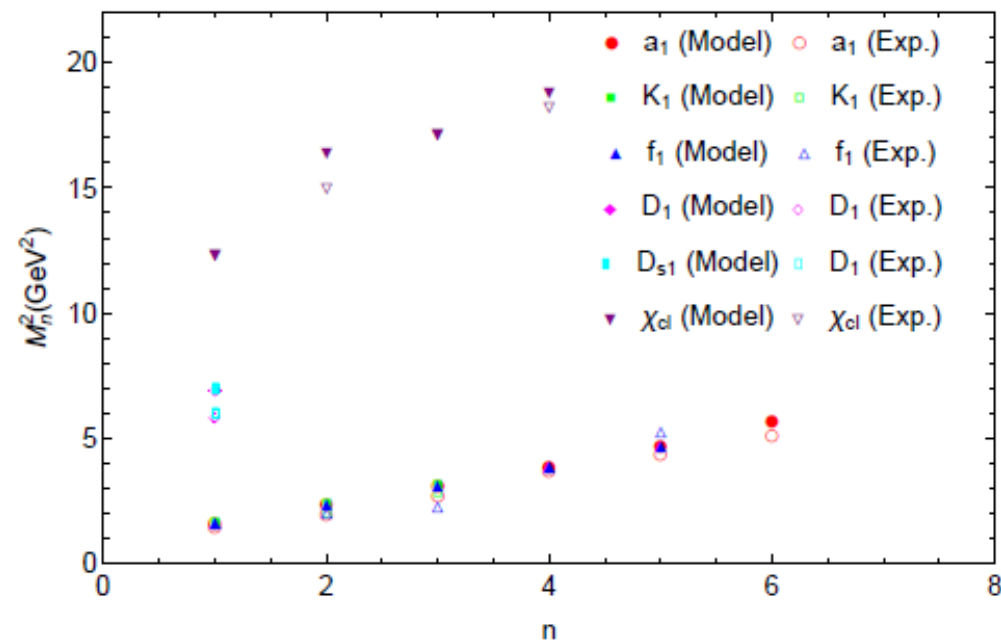
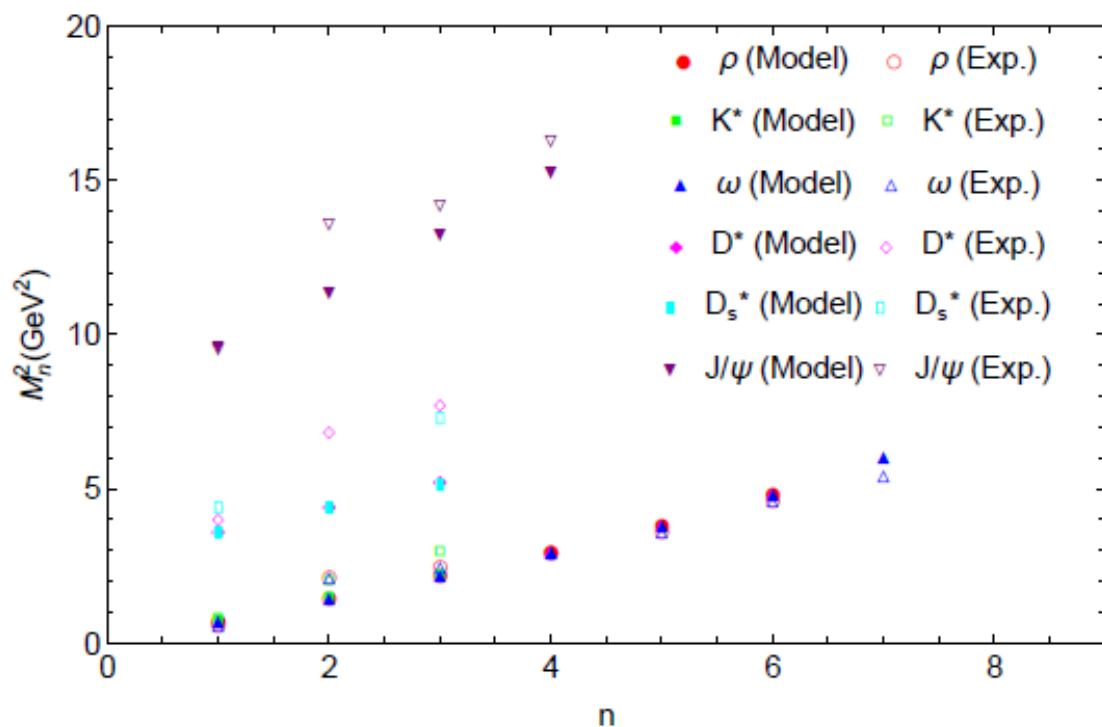
$$V_a = \frac{A_s' - \Phi'}{2} + \frac{(A_s' - \Phi')^2}{4} + g_5^2 e^{2A_s} \chi^2.$$

4-flavor hadron spectra: ground state and excitation states

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$\mu = 0.43$	$\sigma_u = (0.2962)^3$
$m_u = 0.0032$	$\sigma_s = (0.2598)^3$
$m_s = 0.1423$	$\sigma_c = (0.302)^3$
$m_c = 1.5971$	$z_m = 10$
$m_{hc} = 1.985$	$\kappa = 30$

The values of the free parameters with the unit of GeV



Three-point correlation function gives EM and semi-leptonic form factors

$$S^{(3)} = - \int d^5x \left\{ \eta^{MN} \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{z^3} (2 (A_M^a - \partial_M \pi^a) V_N^b \pi^c g^{abc} + V_M^a (\partial_N (\pi^b \pi^c) - 2 A_M^b \pi^c) h^{abc} \right. \\ \left. - V_M^a V_N^b \pi^c k^{abc} \right) + \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{2g_5^2 z} \eta^{MP} \eta^{NQ} (V_{MN}^a V_P^b V_Q^c + V_{MN}^a A_P^b A_Q^c + A_{MN}^a V_P^b A_Q^c + A_{MN}^a A_P^b V_Q^c) f^{bca} \Big\}$$

$$\langle 0 | \mathcal{T} \left\{ J_{A\parallel}^{\alpha a}(x) J_{V\perp}^{\mu b}(y) J_{A\parallel}^{\beta c}(w) \right\} | 0 \rangle = - \frac{\delta^3 S(V\pi\pi)}{\delta A_{\parallel\alpha}^{0a}(x) \delta V_{\perp\mu}^{0b}(y) \delta A_{\parallel\beta}^{0c}(w)},$$

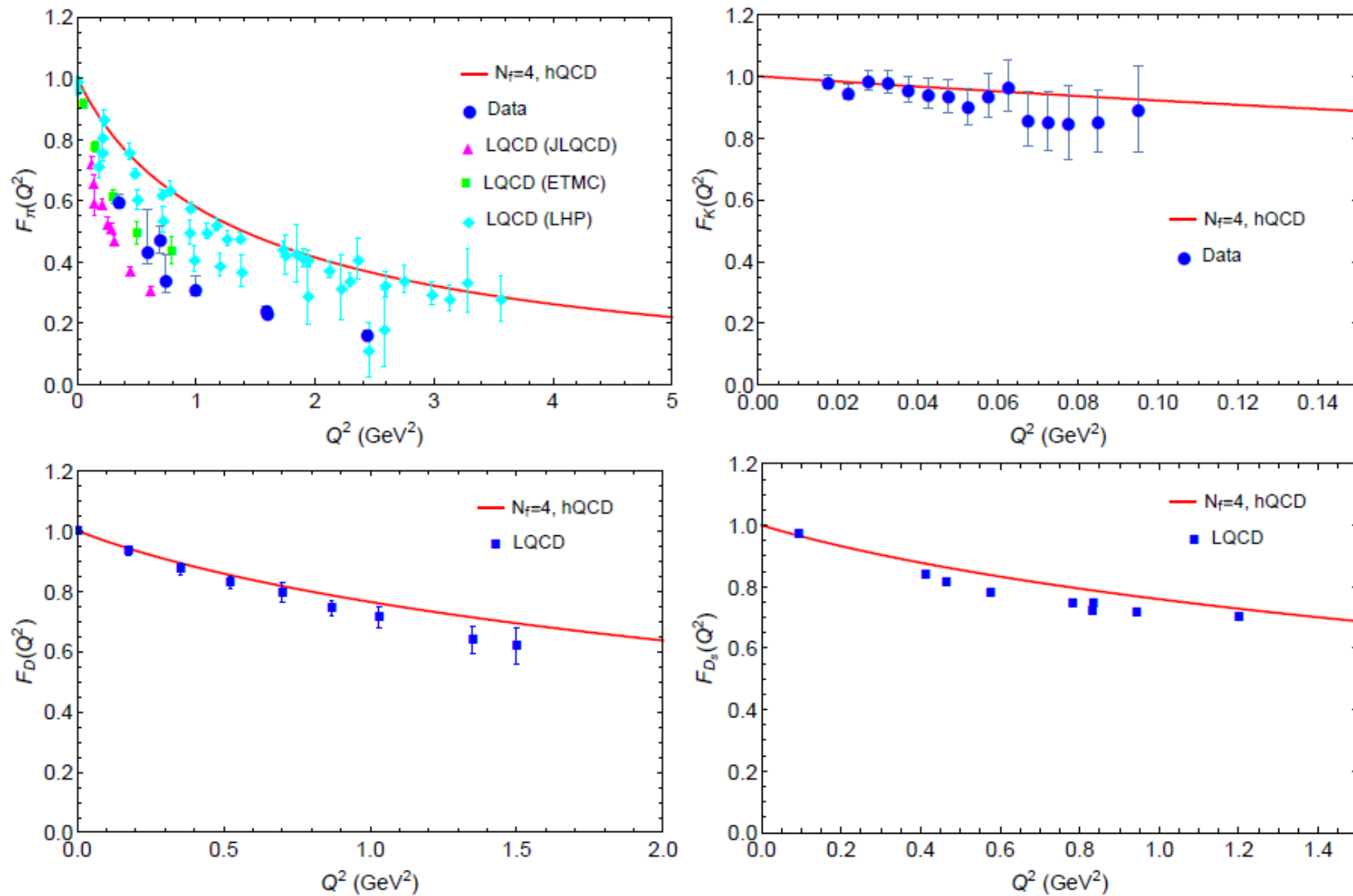
$$\langle 0 | \mathcal{T} \left\{ J_{V\perp}^{\mu a}(x) J_{V\perp}^{\nu b}(y) J_{V\perp}^{\alpha c}(w) \right\} | 0 \rangle = - \frac{\delta^3 S(VVV)}{\delta V_{\perp\mu}^{0a}(x) \delta V_{\perp\nu}^{0b}(y) \delta V_{\perp\alpha}^{0c}(w)},$$

$$\langle 0 | \mathcal{T} \left\{ J_{A\perp}^{\alpha a}(x) J_{V\perp}^{\mu b}(y) J_{A\perp}^{\beta c}(w) \right\} | 0 \rangle = - \frac{\delta^3 S(VAA)}{\delta A_{\perp\alpha}^{0a}(x) \delta V_{\perp\mu}^{0b}(y) \delta A_{\perp\beta}^{0c}(w)},$$

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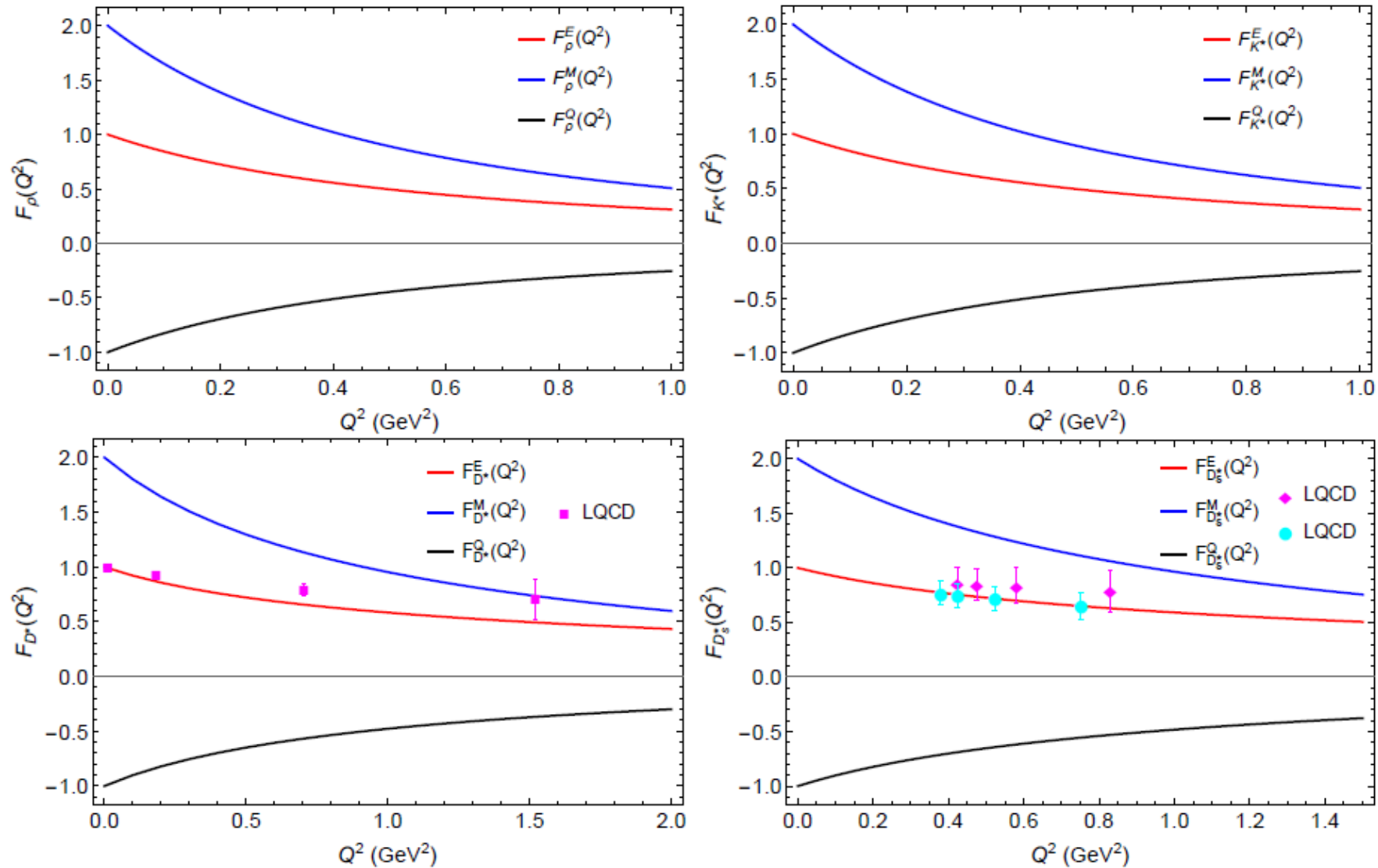
Pseudoscalar mesons

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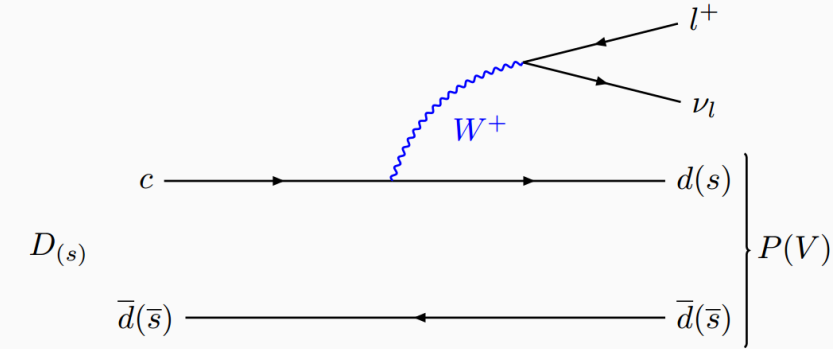
Vector mesons

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Semileptonic decays

- Semileptonic decays involve the transition of a heavy meson (such as B or D) to a lighter meson via the exchange of a W boson.
- Understanding the form factors governing these transitions is essential for precision measurements of CKM matrix elements and testing the Standard Model.



- The matrix elements within the SM is defined by (M. A. Ivanov et al., Front. Phys.(2019))

$$\mathcal{M} (D_{(s)} \rightarrow (P, V) l^+ \nu_l) = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cq}^* \langle (P, V) | \bar{q} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) c | D_{(s)} \rangle \bar{\nu}_l \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) l$$

- The transition form factors are defined by (M. Wirbel et al., Z. Phys. C(1985))

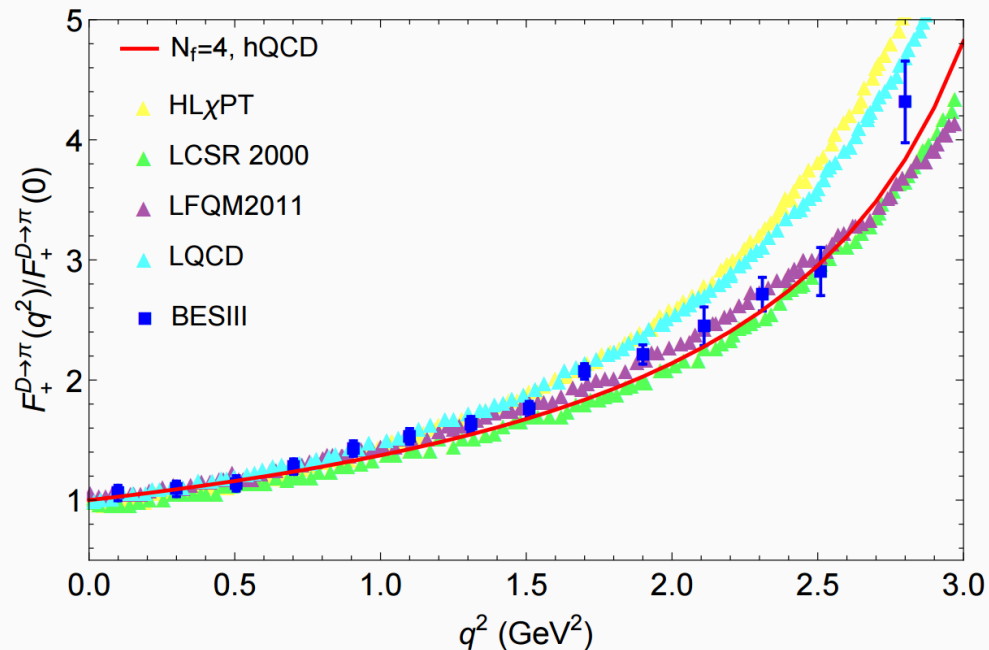
$$\langle P(p_2) | V^\mu | D_{(s)}(p_1) \rangle = F_+ (q^2) \left[P^\mu - \frac{M_1^2 - M_2^2}{q^2} q^\mu \right] + F_0 (q^2) \frac{M_1^2 - M_2^2}{q^2} q^\mu$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle V(p_2, \epsilon_2) | V^\mu - A^\mu | D_{(s)}(p_1) \rangle = & - (M_1 + M_2) \epsilon_2^{*\mu} A_1 (q^2) + \frac{\epsilon_2^* \cdot q}{M_1 + M_2} P^\mu A_2 (q^2) \\ & + 2M_2 \frac{\epsilon_2^* \cdot q}{q^2} q^\mu [A_3 (q^2) - A_0 (q^2)] + \frac{2i \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \epsilon_2^{*\nu} p_1^\rho p_2^\sigma}{M_1 + M_2} V (q^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$D \rightarrow \pi l^+ \nu_l$$

$$F_+(q^2) = \int dz \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{z} \left(f^{abc} \partial_z \phi^a \mathcal{V}^b(q^2, z) \partial_z \phi^c - \frac{2g_5^2}{z^2} (\pi^a - \phi^a) \mathcal{V}^b(q^2, z) (\pi^c - \phi^c) (g^{abc} - h^{bac}) \right)$$

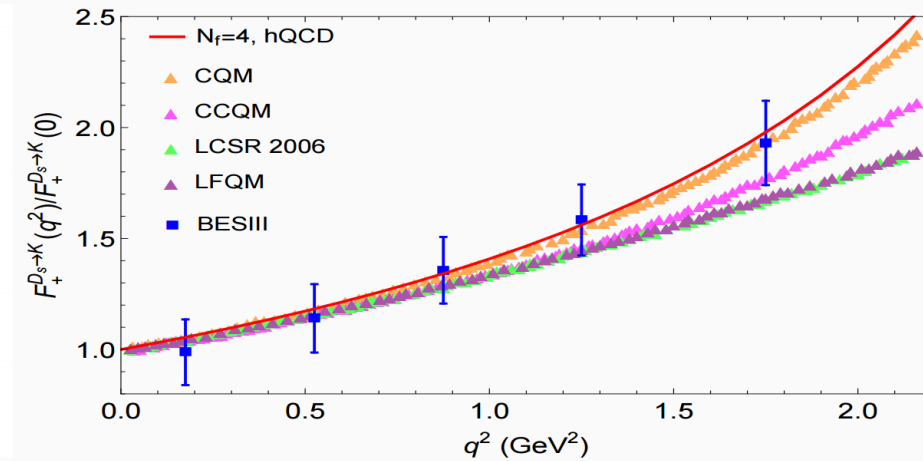
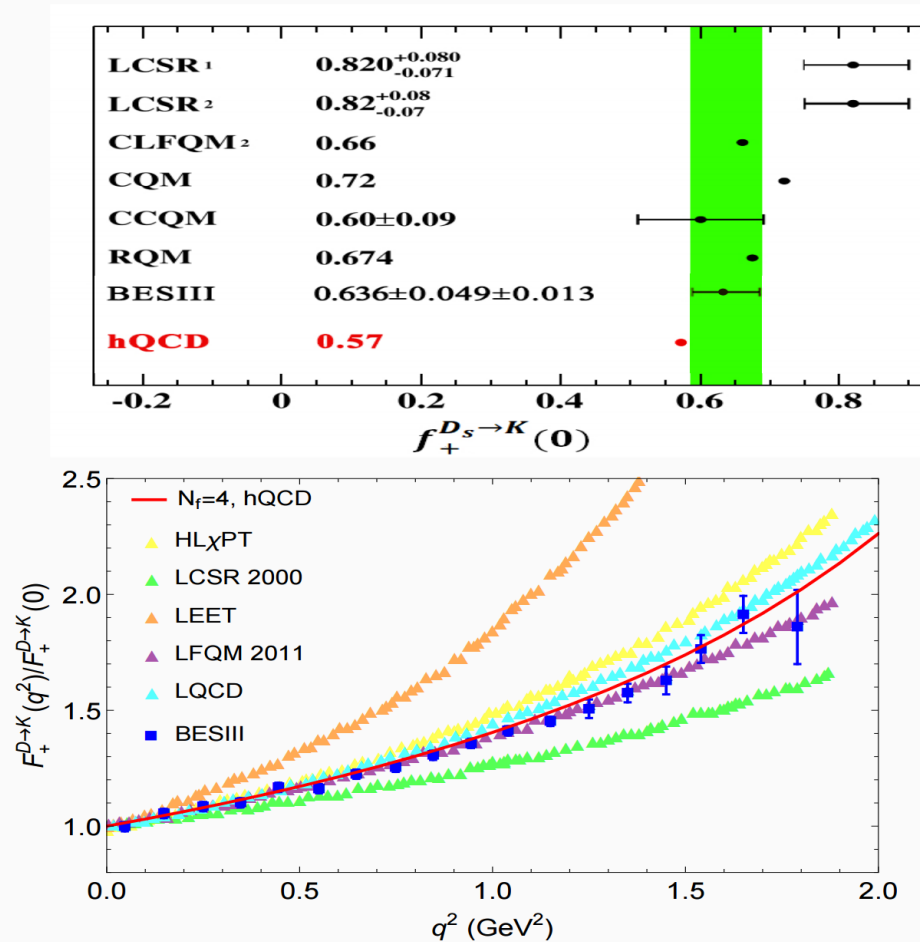
FFs	hQCD	LCSR2000	HL χ PT	LFQM2011	LQCD	Exp.
$f_+^{D \rightarrow \pi}(0)$	0.58	0.65	0.61	0.66	0.64	0.6372 ± 0.008



- HL χ PT: S. Fajfer and J. F. Kamenik, prd(2005)
- LCSR: A. Khodjamirian et al., prd(2000)
- LFQM: R. C. Verma, J. Phys. G (2012)
- LQCD: C. Aubin et al, prl(2005)
- BESIII: M. Ablikim et al., prd(2015)

$$D_{(s)} \rightarrow Kl^+ \nu_l$$

$$F_+(q^2) = \int dz \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{z} \left(f^{abc} \partial_z \phi^a \mathcal{V}^b(q^2, z) \partial_z \phi^c - \frac{2g_5^2}{z^2} (\pi^a - \phi^a) \mathcal{V}^b(q^2, z) (\pi^c - \phi^c) (g^{abc} - h^{bac}) \right)$$



HL χ PT: S. Fajfer and J. F. Kamenik, prd(2005) ;
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 BESIII: M. Ablikim et al., prd(2015) ; CQM: D. Melikhov and B. Stech, prd(2000) ; CCQM: N. R. Son et al., prd(2018) ; LCSR: Y. L. Wu, et al., IJMPA(2006) ;
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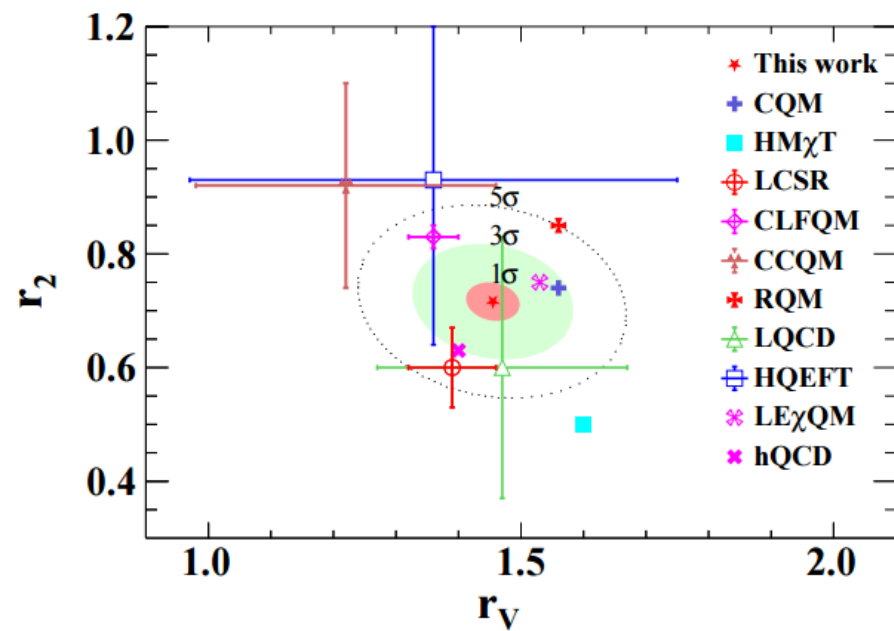
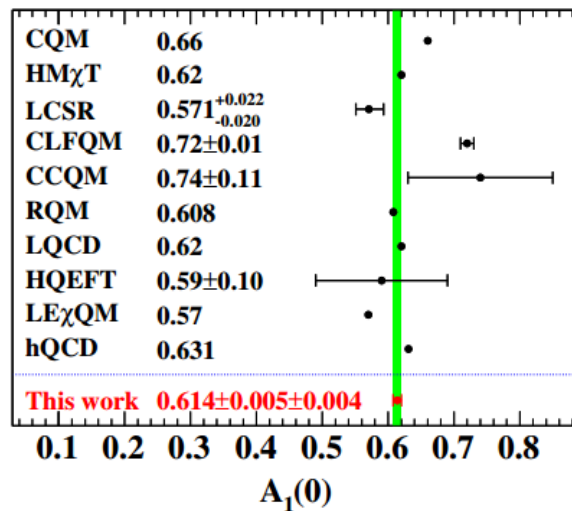
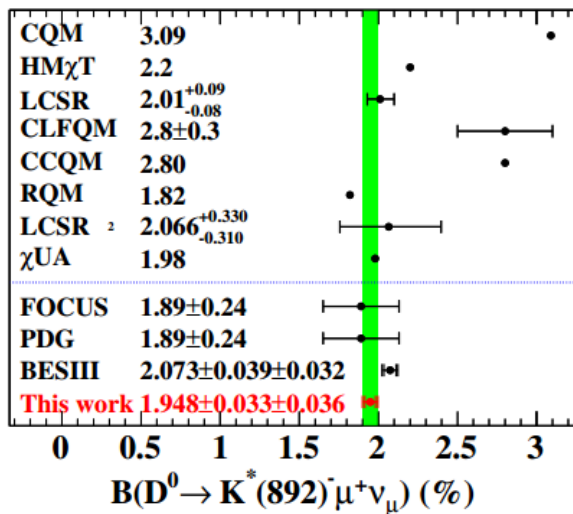
$$D \rightarrow K^*$$

$$V(q^2) = \frac{(M_1 + M_2)g_5^2}{2} \int dz \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{z^3} k^{abc} V^a(z) \mathcal{V}^b(q^2, z) \pi^c(z)$$

$$A_1(q^2) = \int dz \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{z} \left(\frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2 - q^2}{2(M_1 + M_2)} \right) \not{p}^{bac} \mathcal{A}^a(q^2, z) V^b(z) \phi^c(z) \\ - \int dz \frac{e^{-\phi(z)}}{z^3} \frac{2g_5^2}{(M_1 + M_2)} \mathcal{A}^a(q^2, z) V^b(z) \pi^c(z) (g^{abc} - h^{bac})$$

$$r_V = \frac{V(q^2 = 0)}{A_1(q^2 = 0)}$$

$$r_2 = \frac{A_2(q^2 = 0)}{A_1(q^2 = 0)}$$

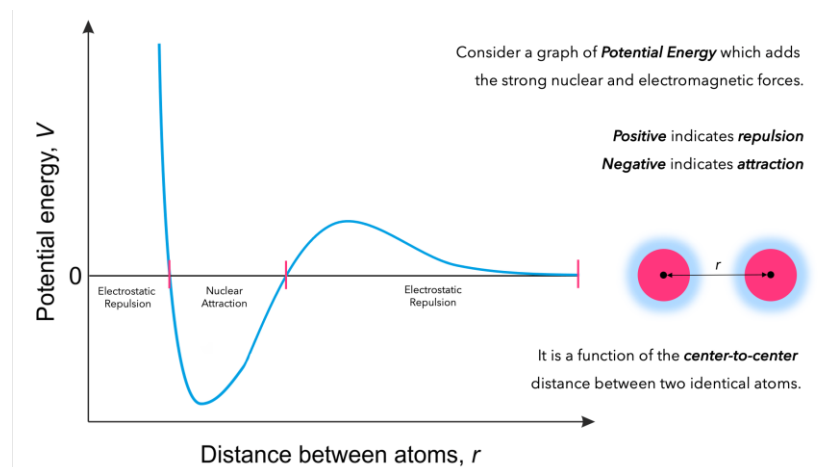


II. Quantitative era of hQCD under the help of AI

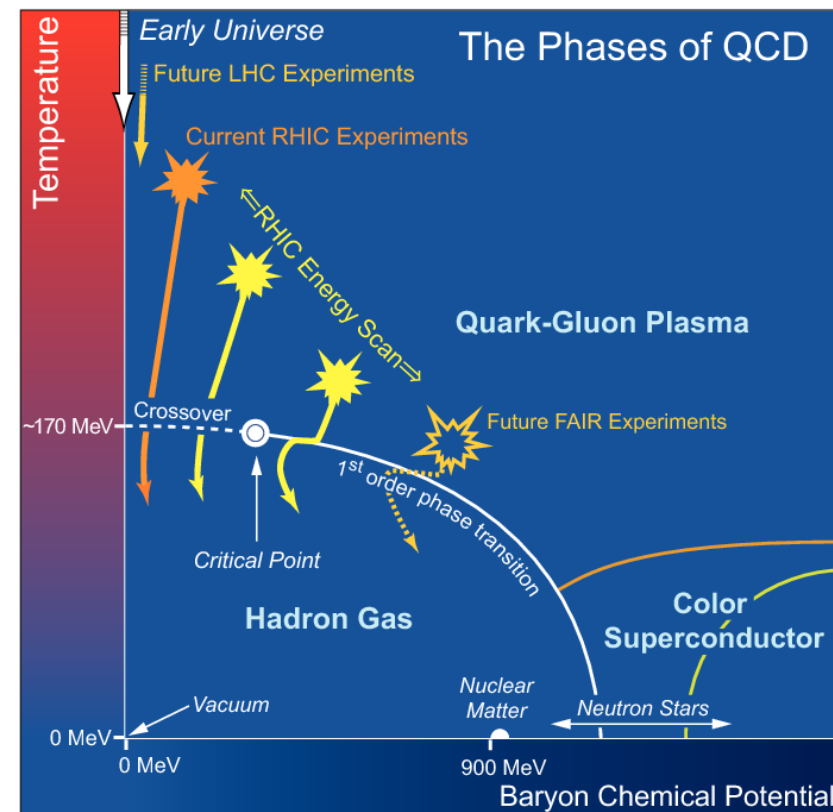
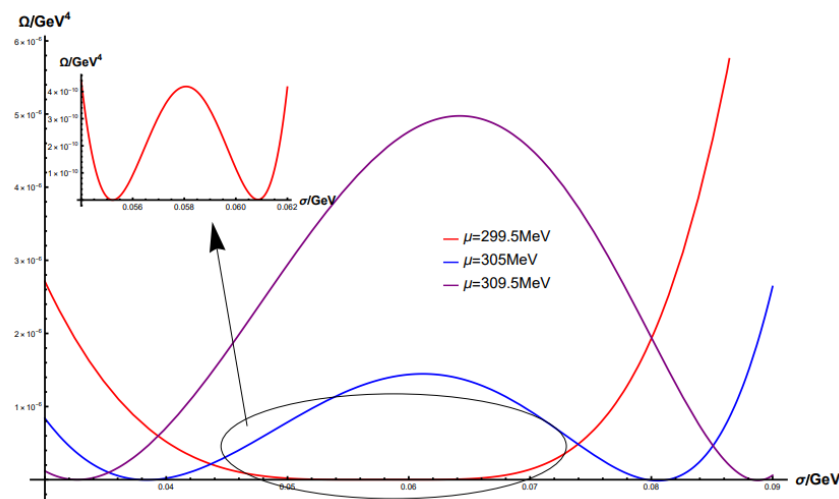
- 1, Status of CEP from theory;
- 2, QCD phase transitions under rotation

Existence of CEP at high baryon chemical potential

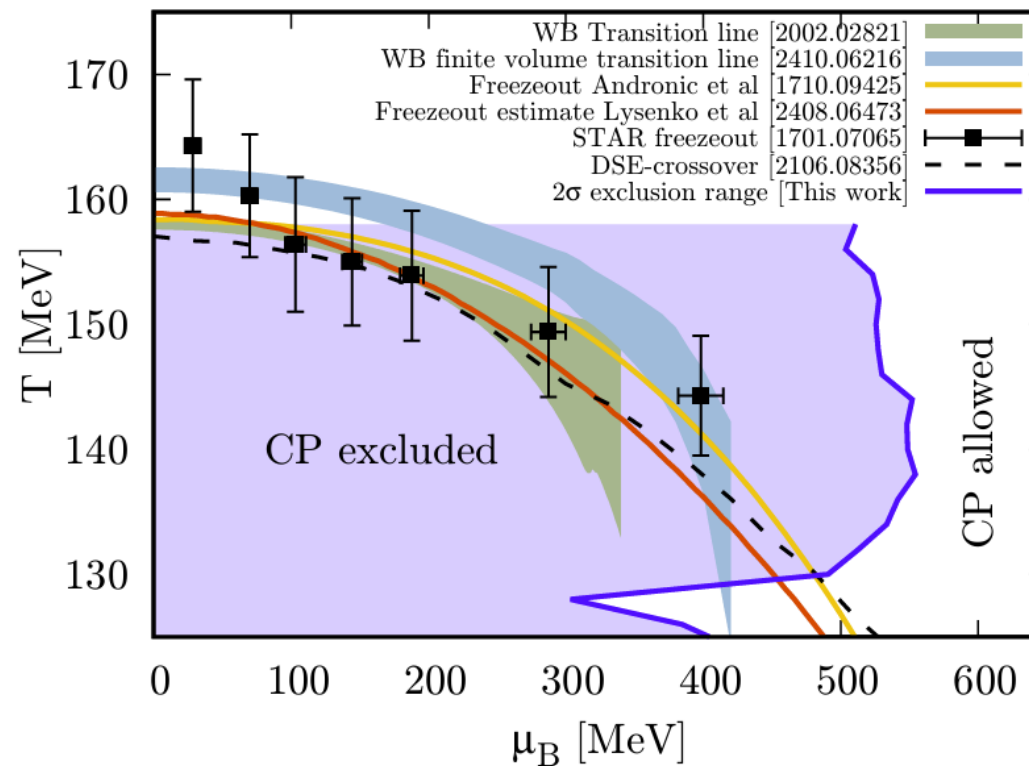
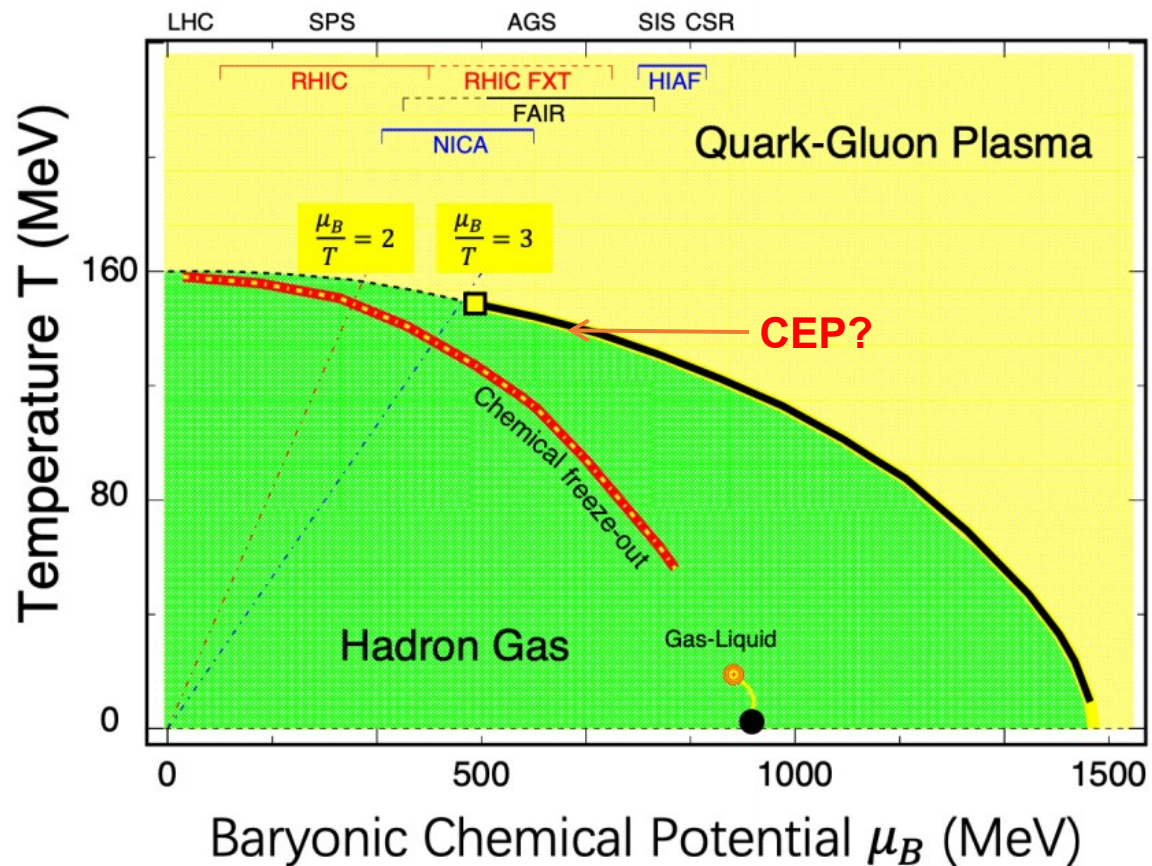
potential barrier is needed
for 1st-order phase transition



μ_B plays the role of repulsive vector interaction, potential barrier develops when μ_B increases, indicating a 1st-order phase transition.



Latest lattice constraints on CEP



Lattice QCD constraints on the critical point,
Szabolcs Bors'anyi, Zolt'an Fodor, et.al., ...arXiv: 2502.10267

EOS for cold QCD matter

The Einstein-Maxwell-dilaton system at finite baryon density

$$S_E = \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{f(\phi)}{4} F^2 - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - V(\phi) \right]$$

$$ds^2 = \frac{L^2 e^{2A(z)}}{z^2} \left[-g(z) dt^2 + \frac{dz^2}{g(z)} + d\vec{x}^2 \right]$$

the components of the vector field $A_M(z)$ are zero except the t component $A_t(z)$. $A_t(0) = \mu + \rho' z^2 + \dots$

$$\phi'(z) = \sqrt{-6 \left(A'' - A'^2 + \frac{2}{z} A' \right)},$$

$$A_t(z) = \mu \frac{\int_{z_H}^z \frac{y}{e^A f} dy}{\int_{z_H}^0 \frac{y}{e^A f} dy},$$

$$g(z) = 1 + \frac{1}{\int_0^{z_H} y^3 e^{-3A} dy} \left[- \int_0^z y^3 e^{-3A} dy + \left(\frac{\mu}{\int_0^{z_H} \frac{y}{e^A f} dy} \right)^2 \hat{G} \right],$$

$$V(z) = -3z^2 g e^{-2A} \left[A'' + 3A'^2 + \left(\frac{3g'}{2g} - \frac{6}{z} \right) A' - \frac{1}{z} \left(\frac{3g'}{2g} - \frac{4}{z} \right) + \frac{g''}{6g} \right],$$

$$T = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{z_H^3 e^{-3A(z_H)}}{\int_0^{z_H} y^3 e^{-3A(z)} dy} \left[1 - \left(\frac{\mu}{\int_0^{z_H} \frac{y}{e^A f} dy} \right)^2 \left(\int_0^{z_H} y^3 e^{-3A} dy \cdot \int_0^{z_H} \frac{x}{e^A f} dx - \int_0^{z_H} y^3 e^{-3A} dy \int_0^y \frac{x}{e^A f} dx \right) \right],$$

$$s = \frac{e^{3A(z_H)}}{4G_5 z_H^3},$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \frac{\mu}{\int_0^{z_H} \frac{y}{e^A f} dy}.$$

$$F = - \int s dT - \rho d\mu.$$

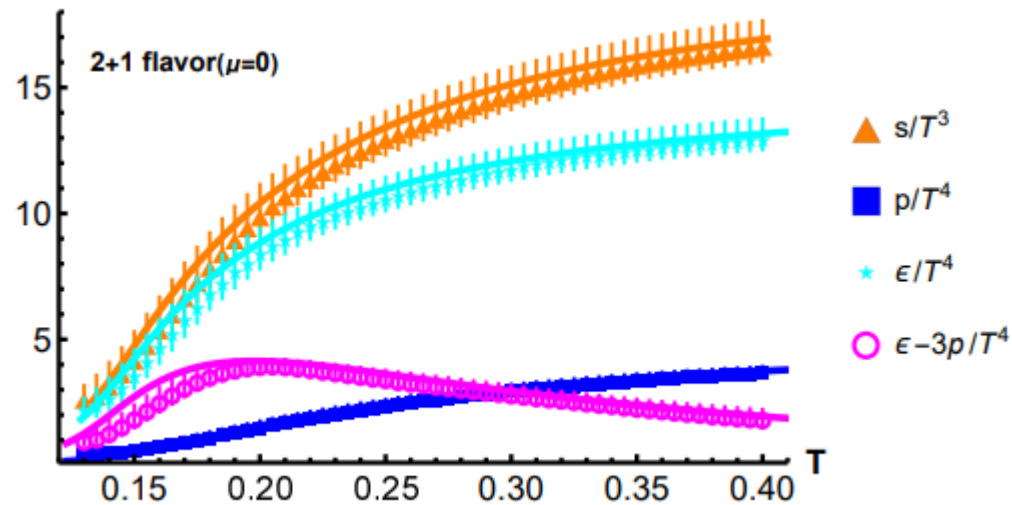
$$\epsilon = -p + sT + \mu\rho. \quad \chi_2^B = \frac{1}{T^2} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \mu}.$$

Equilibrium state Theoretical predictions for the location of CEP

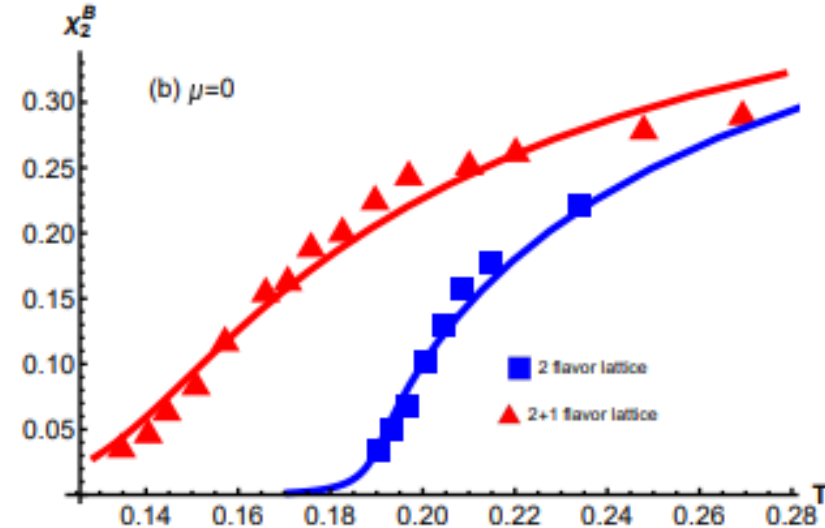
Nonperturbative theoretical calculations (rPNJL model, DSE-fRG, fRG, holographic QCD):

Strategy of model calculations:

- 1, Fit model paraters with Lattice QCD EOS and baryon number susceptibility at zero chemical potential;
- 2, Predictions at finite baryon number chemical potential.



Determine T_c at $\mu=0$



Determine μ dependent T_c

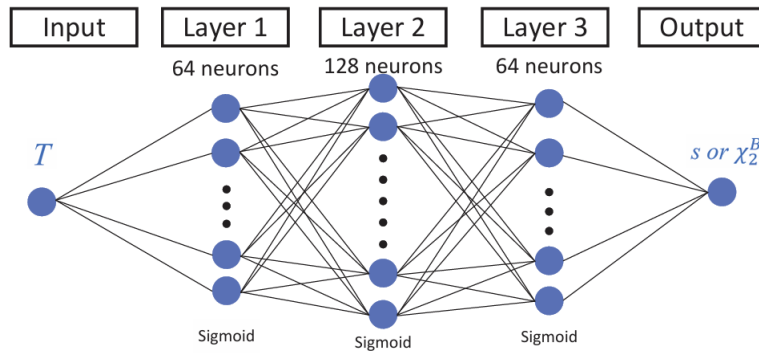
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Either input $A(z)$ or $V(z)$

$$S_E = \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{f(\phi)}{4} F^2 - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - V(\phi) \right]$$

$A(z) = d \ln(az^2 + 1) + d \ln(bz^4 + 1)$ **Input $A(z)$ ansatz**

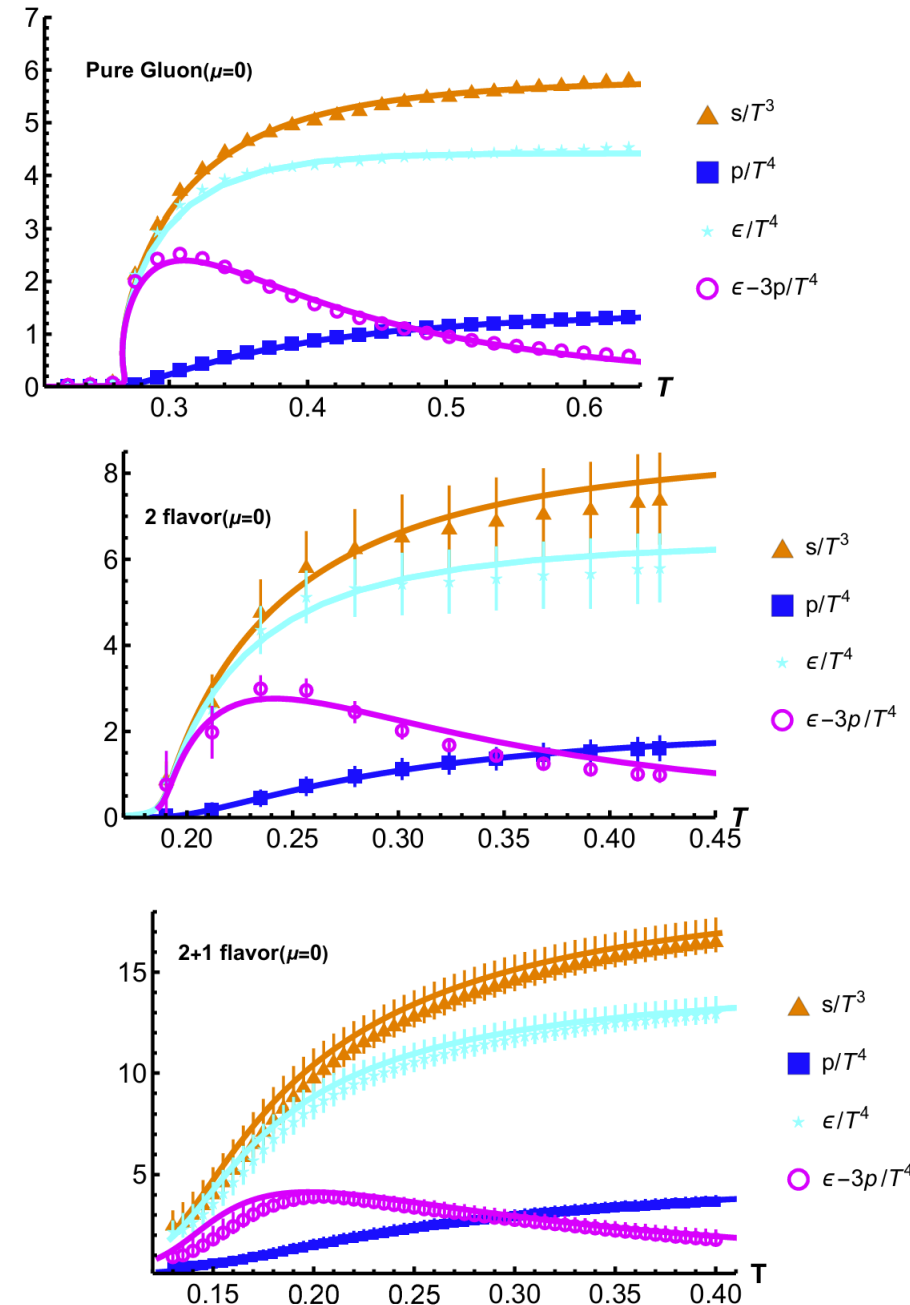
$$f(z) = e^{cz^2 - A(z) + k}$$



The neural network here is used to determine the model parameters from lattice EOS and baryon number susceptibility

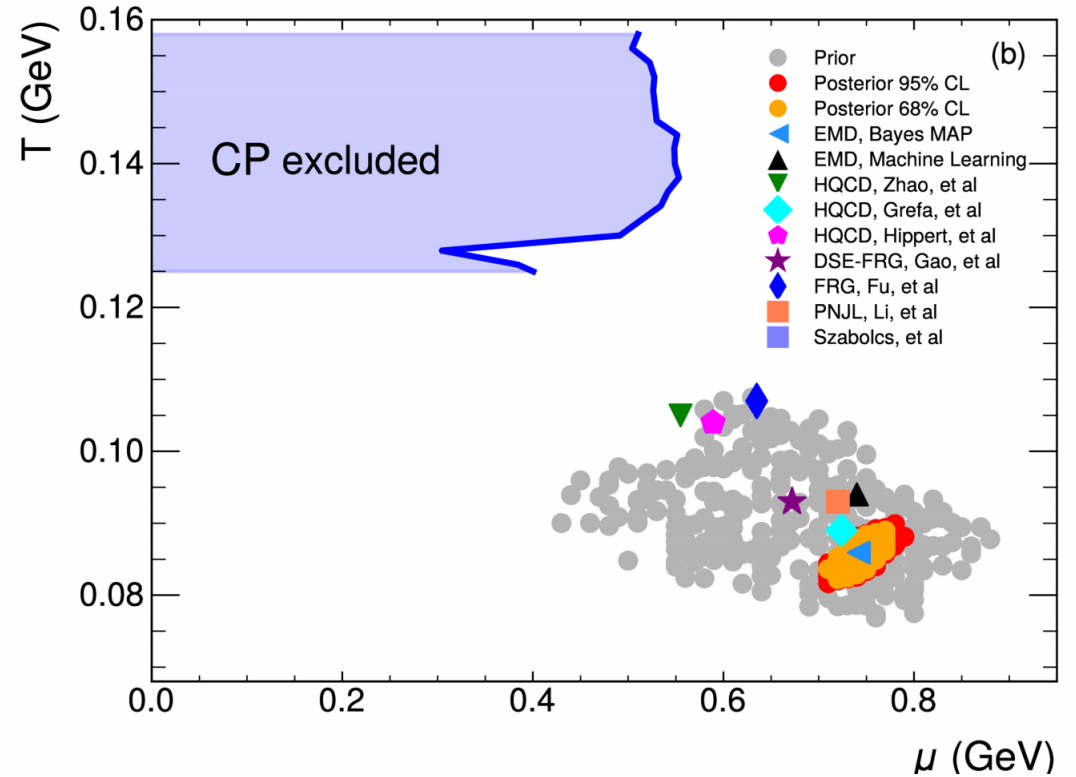
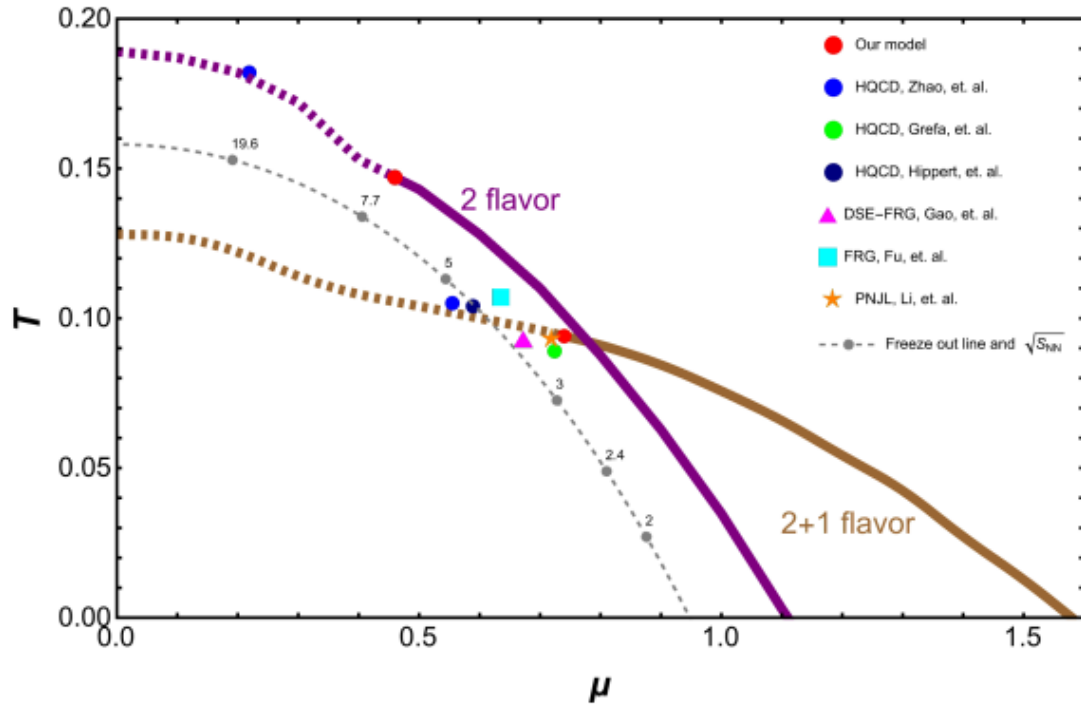
	a	b	c	d	k	G_5	T_c
$N_f = 0$	0	0.072	0	-0.584	0	1.326	0.265
$N_f = 2$	0.067	0.023	-0.377	-0.382	0	0.885	0.189
$N_f = 2 + 1$	0.204	0.013	-0.264	-0.173	-0.824	0.400	0.128

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Equilibrium state

Locations of CEP from rPNJL model, holographic QCD models, DSE-fRG, fRG **converge** at around ($T_c \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$, $\mu_B \sim 700 \text{ MeV}$)



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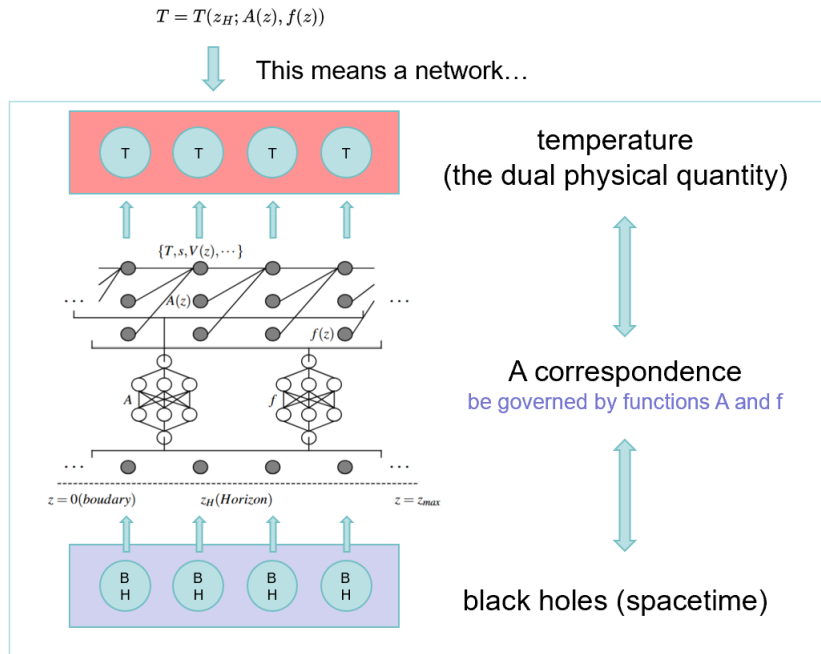
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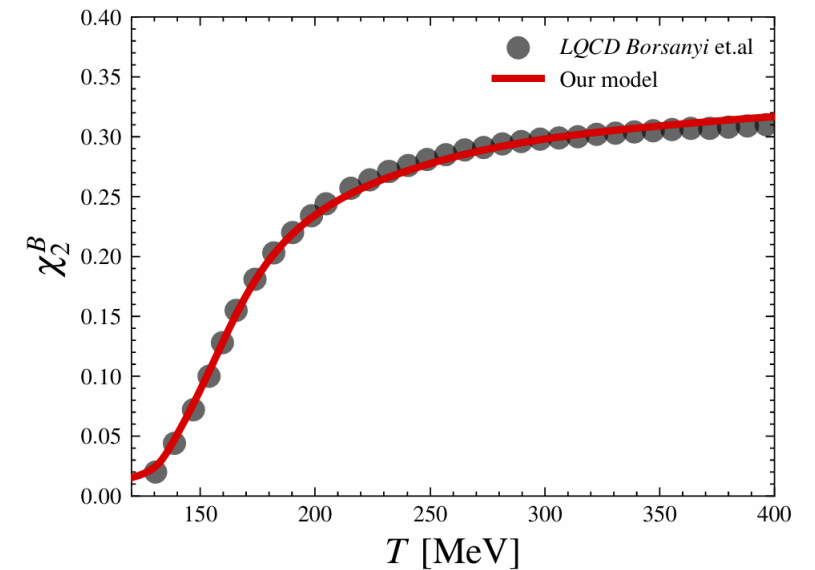
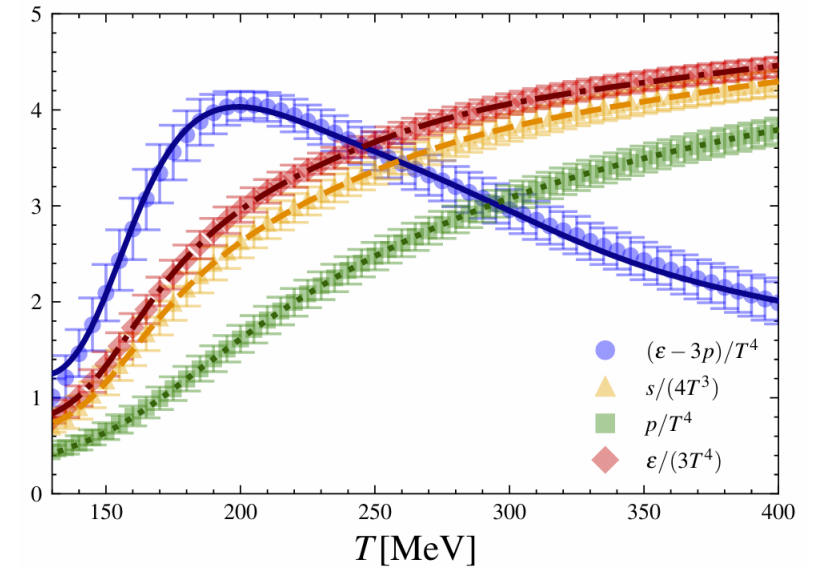
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Supervised learning, without input ansatz, ML lattice data and output $A(z)$ and $V(z)$



$$S_E = \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{f(\phi)}{4} F^2 - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - V(\phi) \right]$$

$$ds^2 = \frac{L^2 e^{2A(z)}}{z^2} \left[-g(z) dt^2 + \frac{dz^2}{g(z)} + d\vec{x}^2 \right]$$

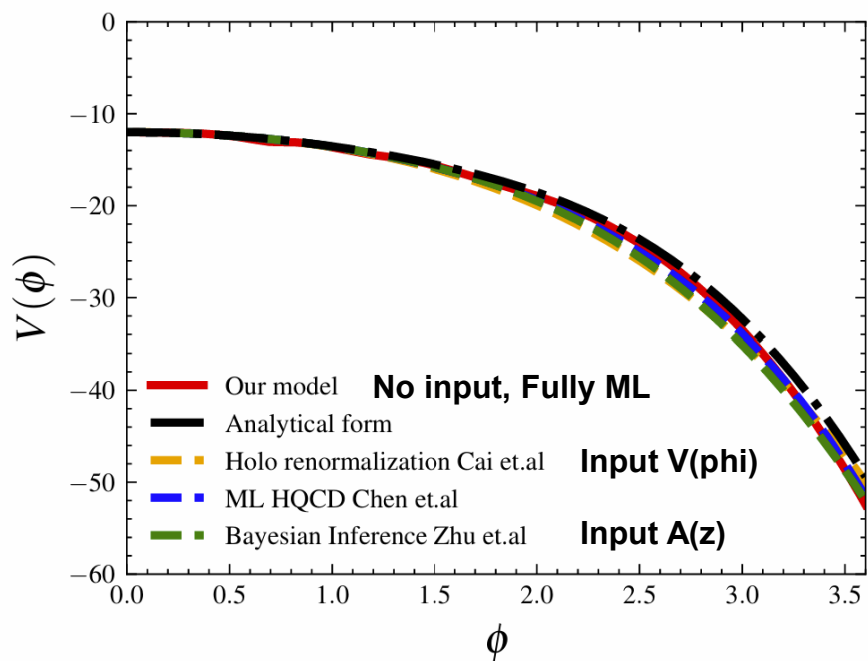


Equivalence of machine learning $A(z)$ and $V(\phi)$

$$A(z) = a_1 z^4 - a_2 \log(1 + z^2) - a_3 \log(1 + a_4 z^4)$$

$$f(z) = f_1 + \frac{f_2}{1 + f_3(z + f_4)^2} + f_5 \operatorname{sech}(f_6 + f_7(z + f_8)^3).$$

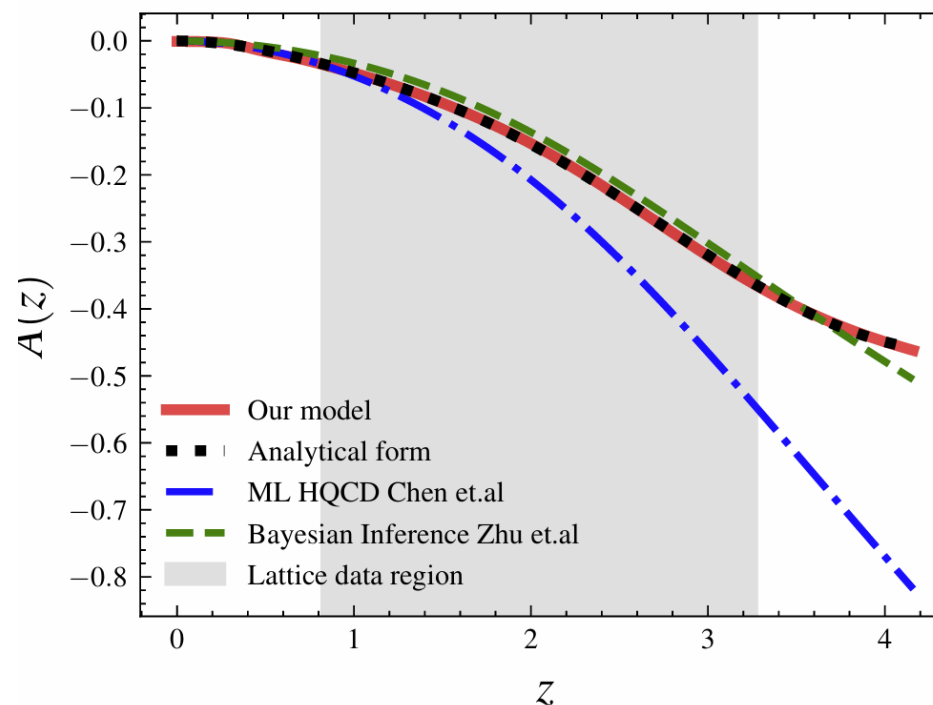
The corresponding constants are $a_1 = 0.00037885$, $a_2 = 0.062182$, $a_3 = 0.21002$, $a_4 = 0.020314$, $f_1 = 0.31197$, $f_2 = 0.079030$, $f_3 = 0.34070$.



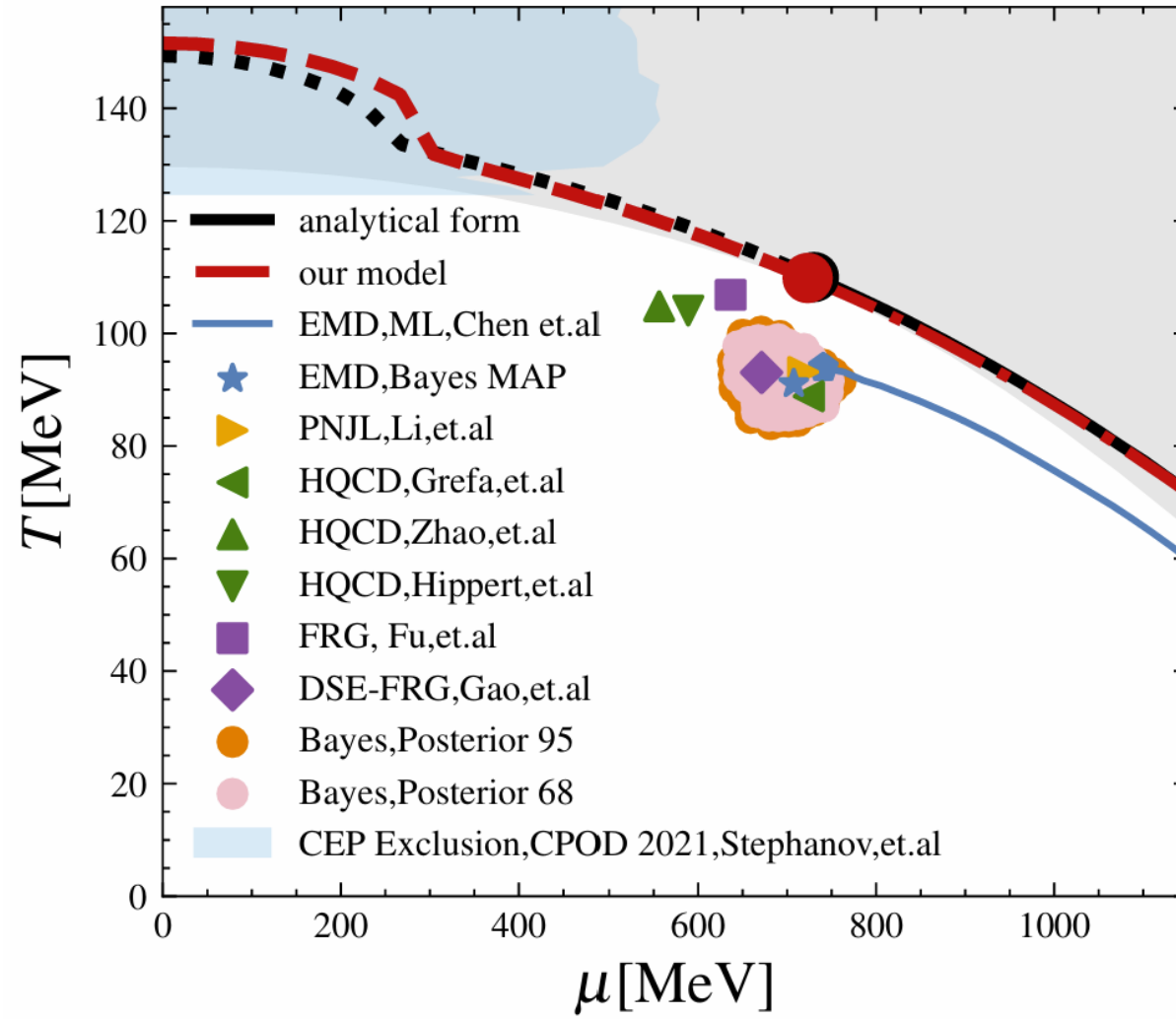
$$V(\phi) = -12 \cosh(c_1 \phi) + c_2 \phi^2,$$

$$f(\phi) = c_3 \operatorname{sech}(c_4(\phi + c_5)^3),$$

where $c_1 = 0.69048$, $c_2 = 1.2777$, $c_3 = 0.31562$, $c_4 = 0.061371$, $c_5 = 0.35482$.



Location of CEP



Conclusion and outlook

5D DhQCD offers a systematic framework to describe the emergent real world from QCD theory, including Linear confinement and chiral symmetry breaking; hadron spectra (glueball spectra, light-flavor and heavy flavor spectra) and form factors, QCD phase transitions, thermodynamical and transport properties, and

More: 1) Nonequilibrium evolution, GW,

2) Inhomogeneous system

3) Hadron structure: PDF,

Future: AI will definitely accelerate building hQCD framework in quantitatively describing the nonperturbative QCD world!



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