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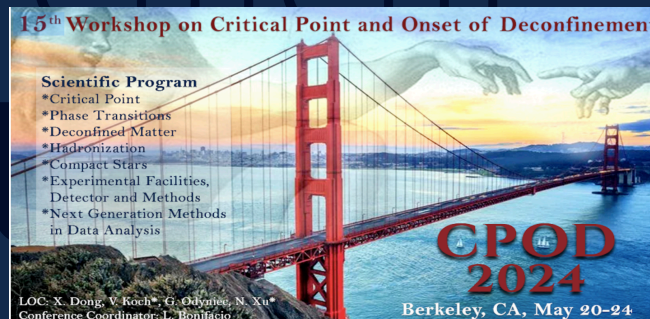
Location of the Critical Point from Holography

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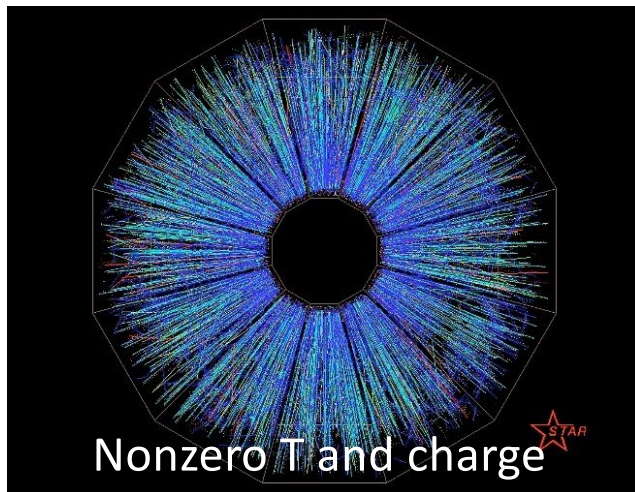


What is the holographic duality?

Maldacena, 1997; Witten, 1998, Gubser, Polyakov, Klebanov, 1998

“Calculations in strongly coupled plasmas using black holes”

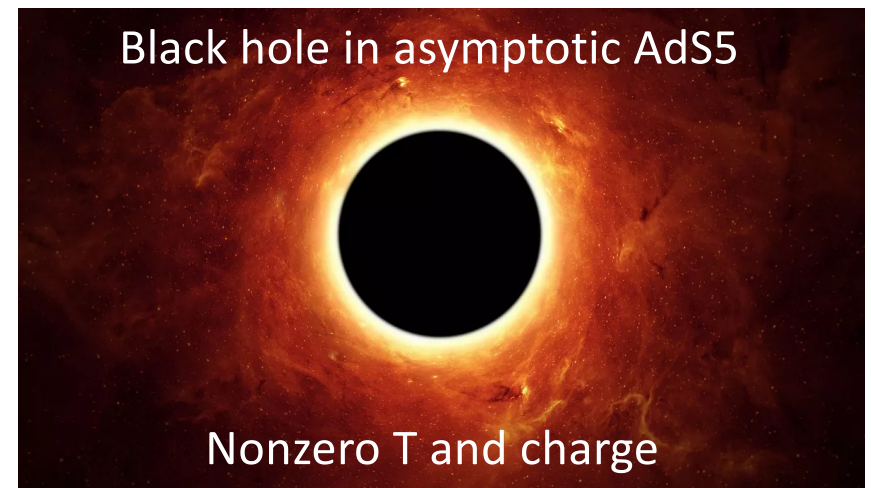
Strongly coupled
non-Abelian plasma



DUALITY



Classical gravity in $d > 4$



How is this used to find the QCD CP?

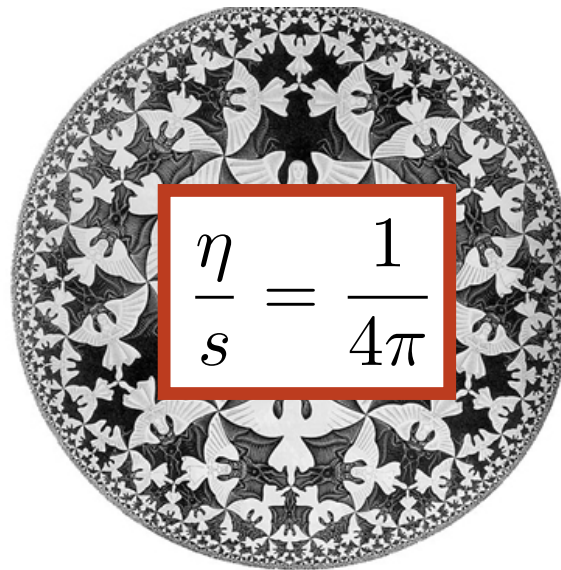


Black hole (brane)

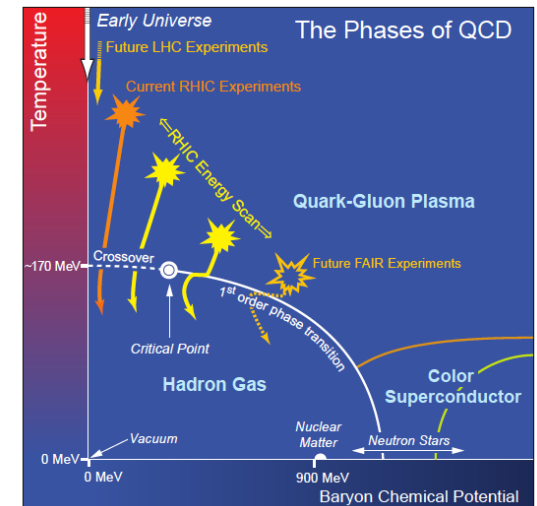


Nonzero Hawking
Temperature and charge

Anti-de Sitter (AdS) space



Nearly perfect fluidity



Black Hole “Engineering”

DeWolfe, Gubser, Rosen, PRD (2011)
Finazzo et al, JHEP (2015)
Rougemont et al. PRL (2015), JHEP (2016), PRD (2017)
Critelli et al, PRD (2017)
Grefa et al, PRD (2021), PRD (2022)
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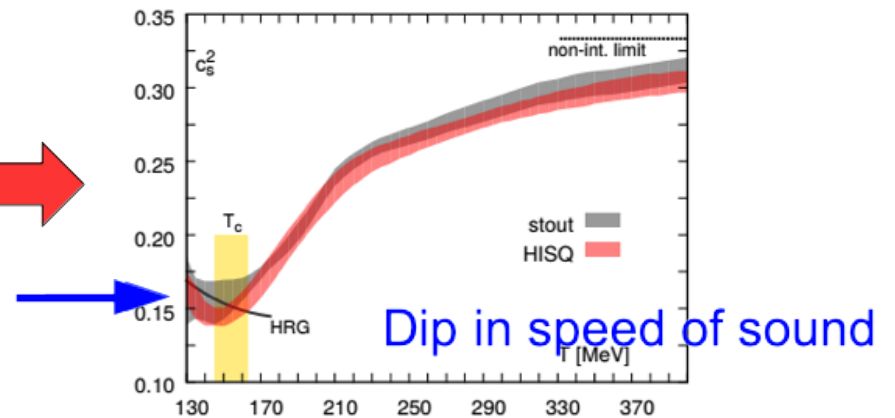
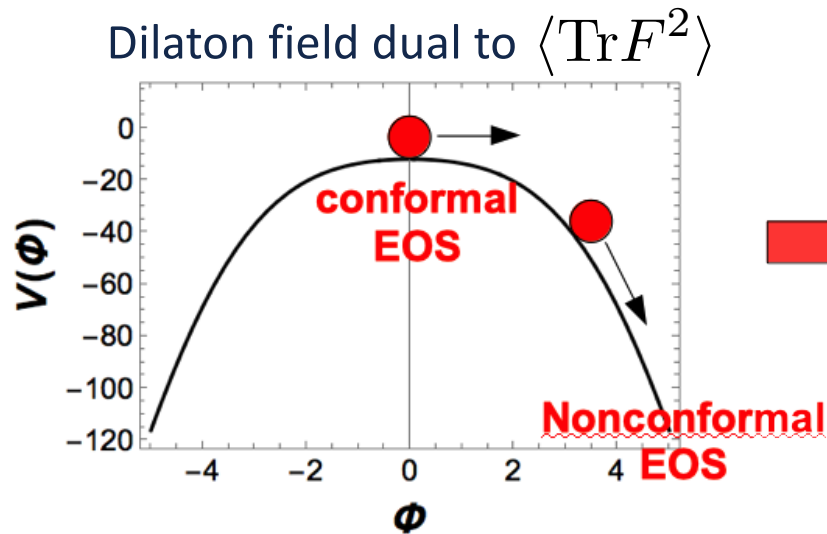
+ MANY OTHERS!!!

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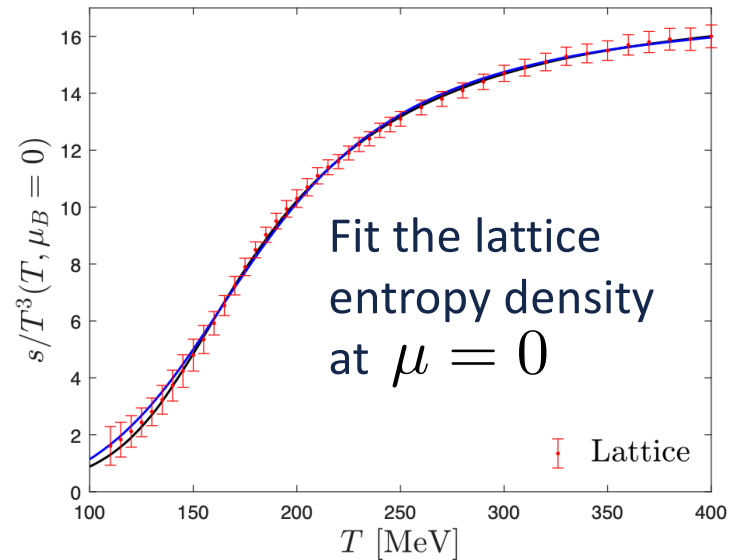
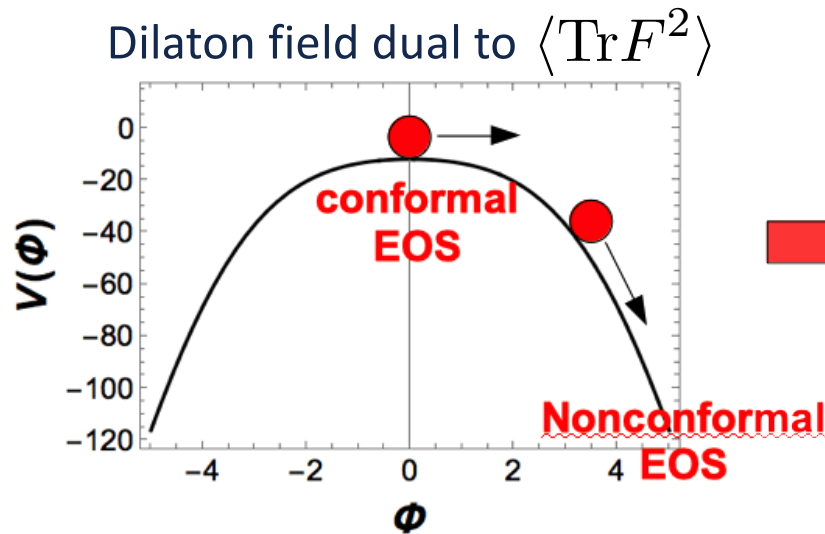


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5d gauge
field

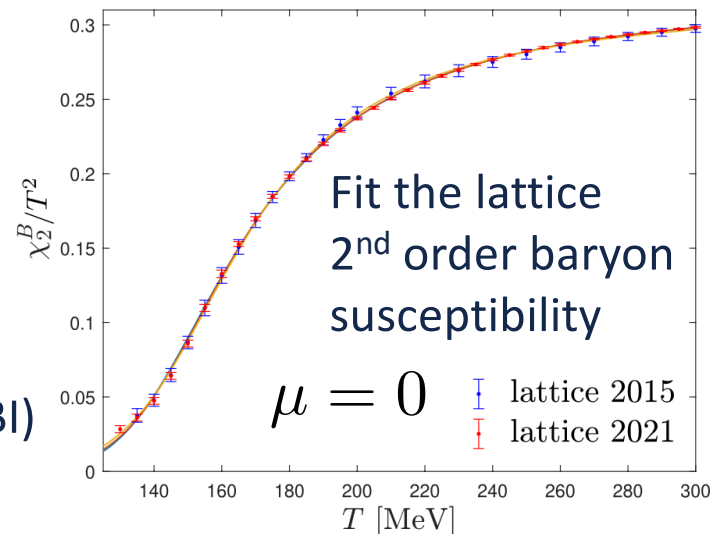
Conserved
baryon charge

Dilaton-Maxwell
coupling

$$A_\mu \implies U(1)_B$$

$$f(\phi) \implies$$

Backreaction from quark flavor branes (approx. of DBI)
(describes chirally symmetric phase)

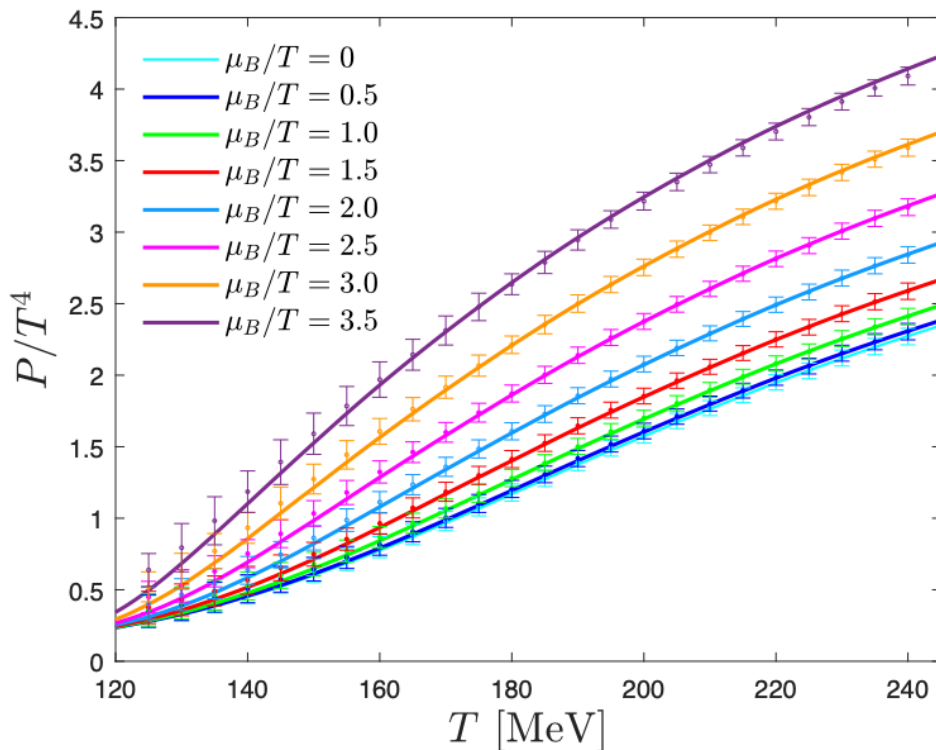


Finite density properties

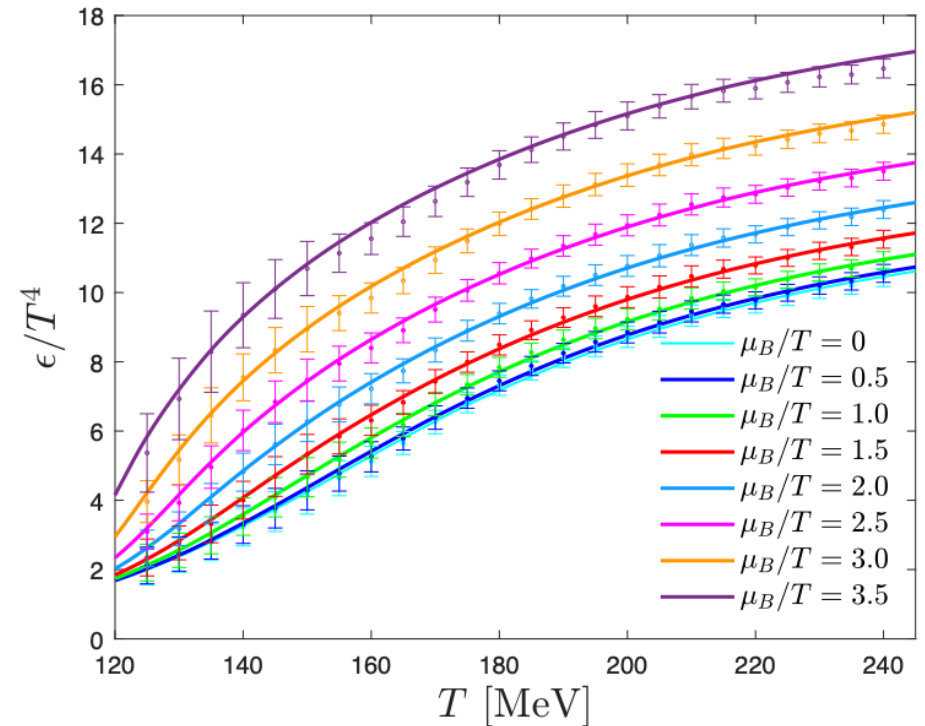
Grefa et al, Phys. Rev. D 104, 034002 (2021)

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Lattice: Borsányi et al, PRL 126 (2021)

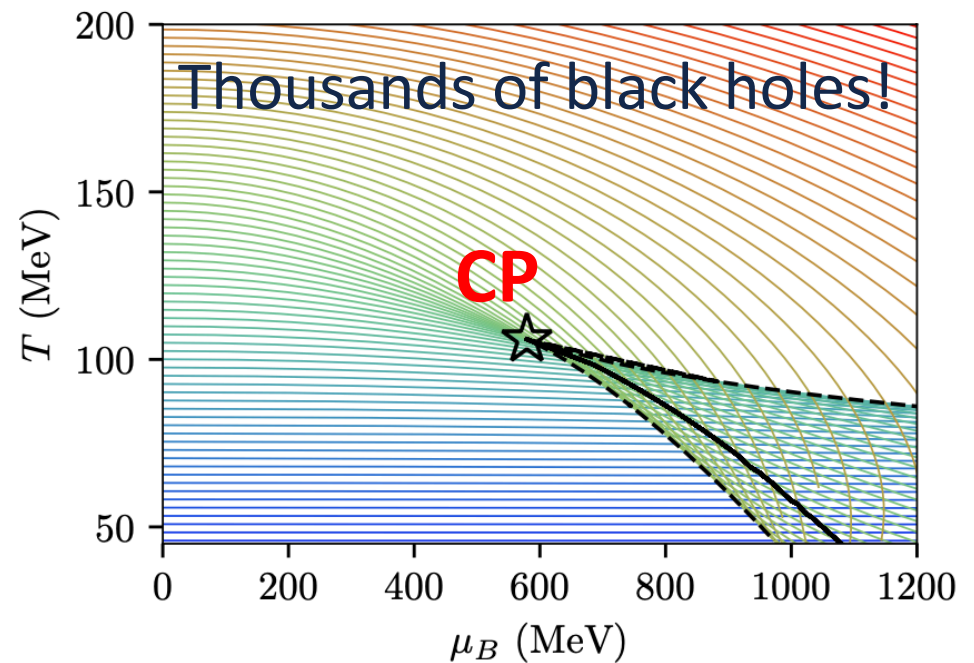


- Powerful, predictive model for baryon-rich QGP
- Real-time calculations (e.g. transport, hydro) possible

Precise determination of phase diagram

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- Dilaton and electric fields at horizon: ϕ_0 and Φ_1 fully specify the physical state.
- Lines of constant ϕ_0 can cross.
- Metastable states, spinodal lines.
- Critical point: where crossings start.
Fast algorithm to find CP!
- Maxwell construction: first-order line.



Fast and precise new algorithm = ripe for statistical analysis!

How do the many parameters affect CP?

Polynomial-Hyperbolic Ansatz (PHA)

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- Interpolates between Phys. Rev. D 96 (2017) and Phys. Rev. D 104 (2021)

$$V(\phi) = -12 \cosh(\gamma \phi) + b_2 \phi^2 + b_4 \phi^4 + b_6 \phi^6$$
$$f(\phi) = \frac{\operatorname{sech}(c_1 \phi + c_2 \phi^2 + c_3 \phi^3)}{1 + d_1} + \frac{d_1}{1 + d_1} \operatorname{sech}(d_2 \phi)$$

Parametric Ansatz (PA)

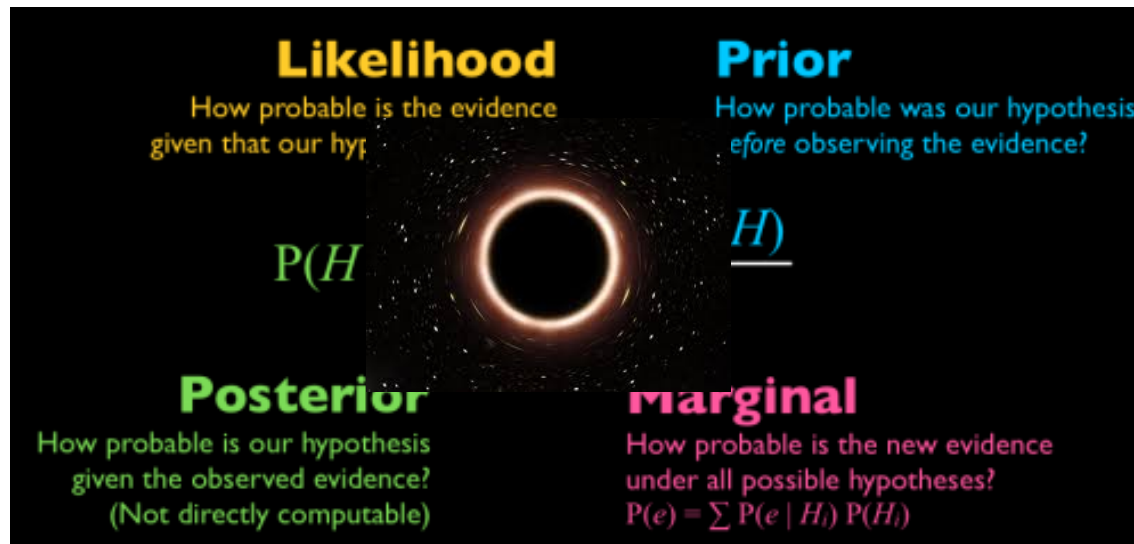
- Similar shapes, more interpretable parameters Phys. Rev. D 96 (2017)

$$V(\phi) = -12 \cosh \left[\left(\frac{\gamma_1 \Delta \phi_V^2 + \gamma_2 \phi^2}{\Delta \phi_V^2 + \phi^2} \right) \phi \right]$$
$$f(\phi) = 1 - (1 - A_1) \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \tanh \left(\frac{\phi - \phi_1}{\delta \phi_1} \right) \right] - A_1 \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \tanh \left(\frac{\phi - \phi_2}{\delta \phi_2} \right) \right]$$

Bayesian black hole engineering

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- How do we make sense of these parameters?
- Are CPs always present in these models?
- How do lattice results affect CP location/existence?
- Bayesian inference analysis is needed!



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Assigning probabilities



Bayes' Theorem

$$\underbrace{P(\text{model} \mid \text{results})}_{\text{posterior } \mathcal{P}} \times P(\text{results}) = \underbrace{P(\text{results} \mid \text{model})}_{\text{likelihood } \mathcal{L}} \times \underbrace{P(\text{model})}_{\text{prior knowledge}}$$

Gaussian Likelihood

$$\mathcal{L} = \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \delta \mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \delta \mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{2} \log \det \boldsymbol{\Sigma} + \text{constant} \right\}$$

- $\delta \mathbf{x}$: deviation for $s(T)$ and $\chi_2^{(B)}(T)$ at $\mu = 0$.
- Correlation $\Gamma \equiv \exp(-\Delta T / \xi_T)$ between neighboring points
→ extra model parameter.

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C.J.F. Ter Braak, *Statistics and Computing* **16** (2006)

Markov Chain Monte-Carlo (MCMC)

- Random evolution to sample from posterior.
- Transition probabilities such that \mathcal{P} is stationary limit.
- Differential evolution MCMC: suited for correlations.

Differential evolution

- 1 Use other chains j, k to update chain $i \neq j \neq k$: $\theta_i \rightarrow \theta_i + \frac{b}{\sqrt{2d}}(\theta_j - \theta_k) + \xi_i$.
- 2 Compute \mathcal{P} from model EoS.
 - If $\mathcal{P}/\mathcal{P}_0 > 1$, transition to new parameters.
 - Otherwise, accept transition with probability $\mathcal{P}/\mathcal{P}_0$.
- 3 Repeat.

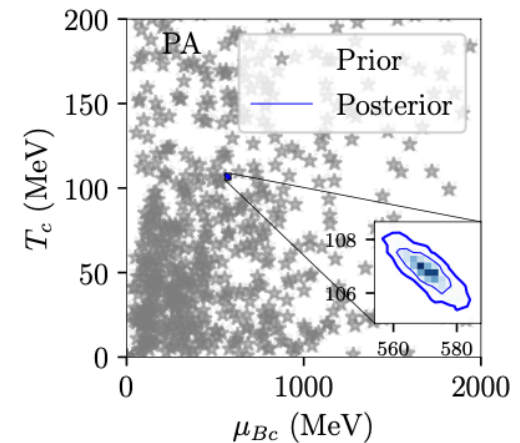
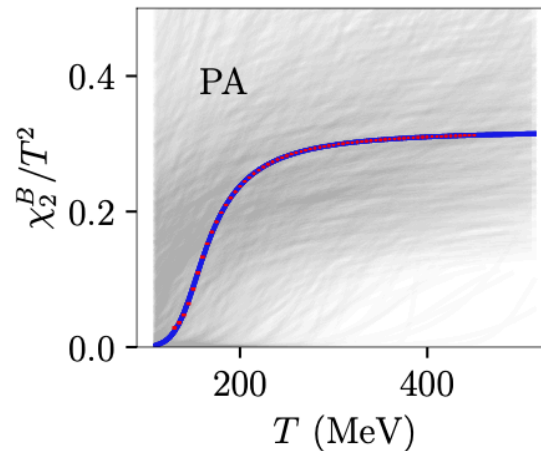
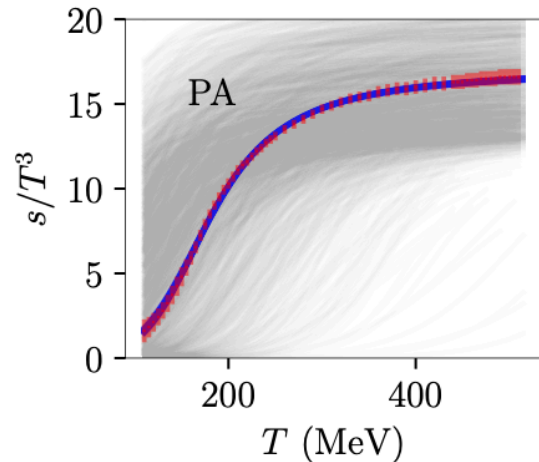
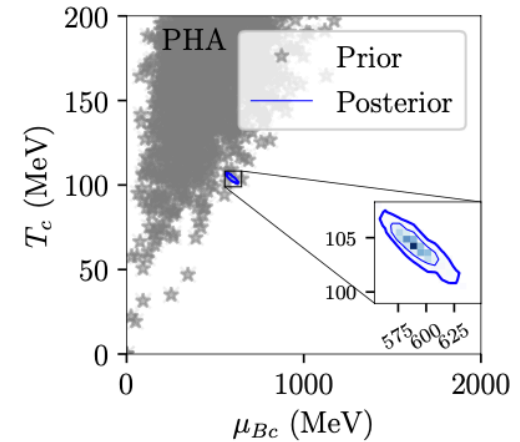
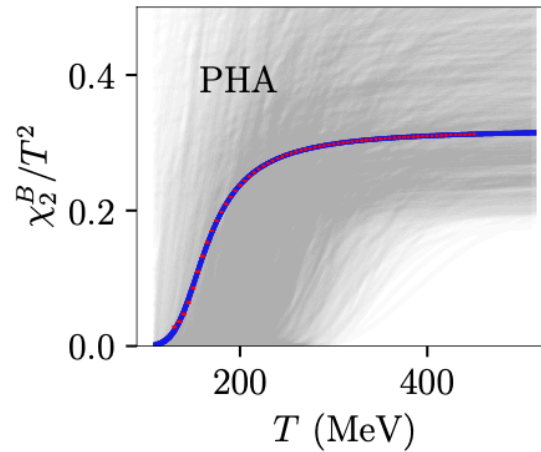
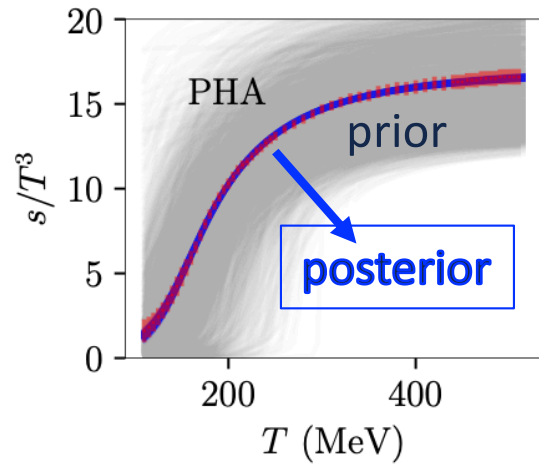
Inputs: Baryon susceptibility and entropy density from the lattice.

S. Borsanyi, Z. Fodor, C. Hoelbling, S. D. Katz, S. Krieg and K. K. Szabo, *PRL* **730** (2014)
Borsányi, Fodor, Guenther et al., *PRL* **126** (2021)

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- Flat prior for parameters
- 20% of prior samples give no CP



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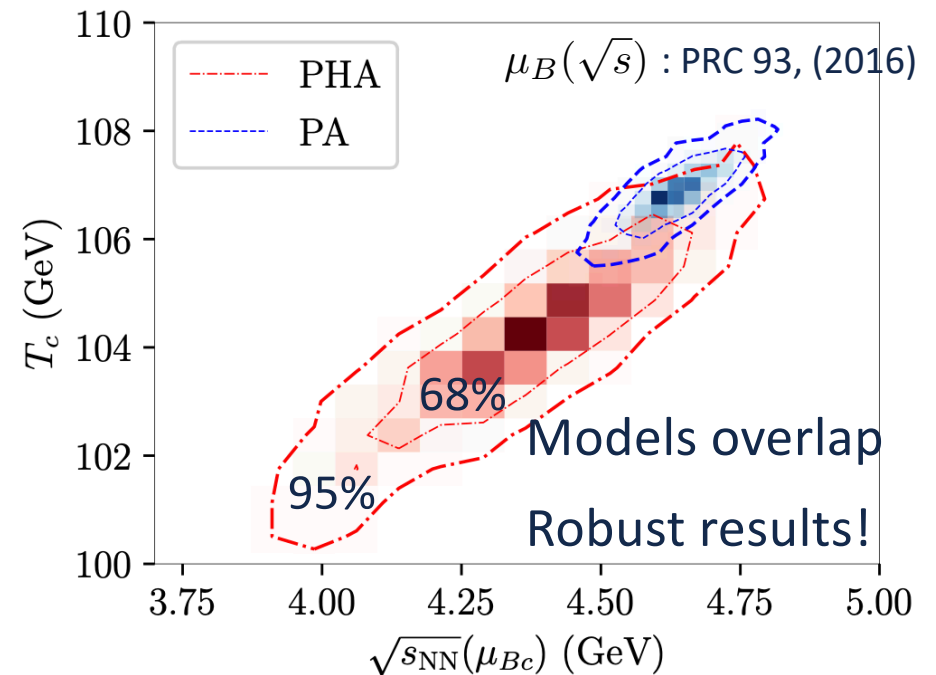
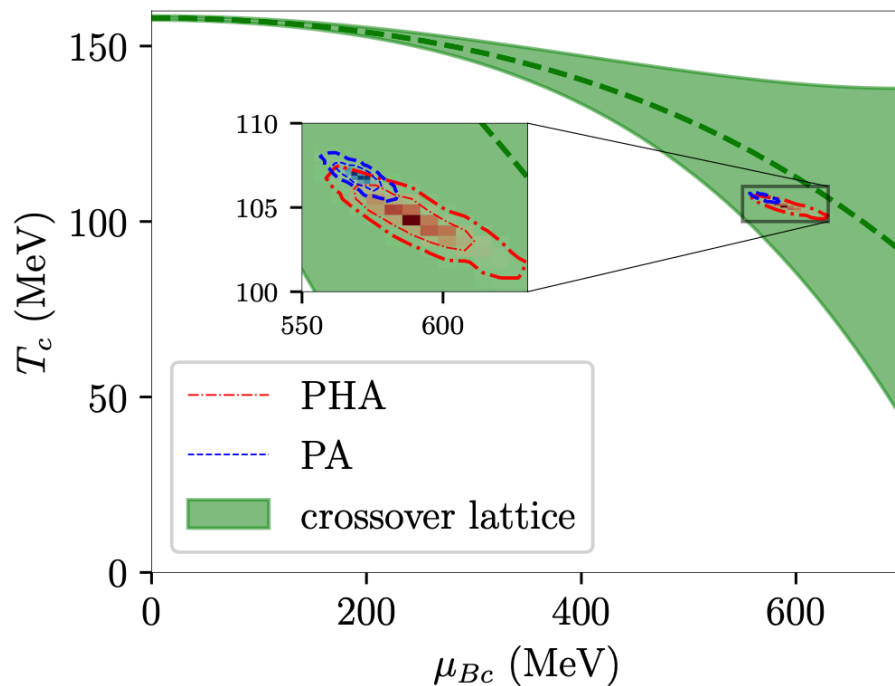
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All posterior predictions for CP location collapse around these regions

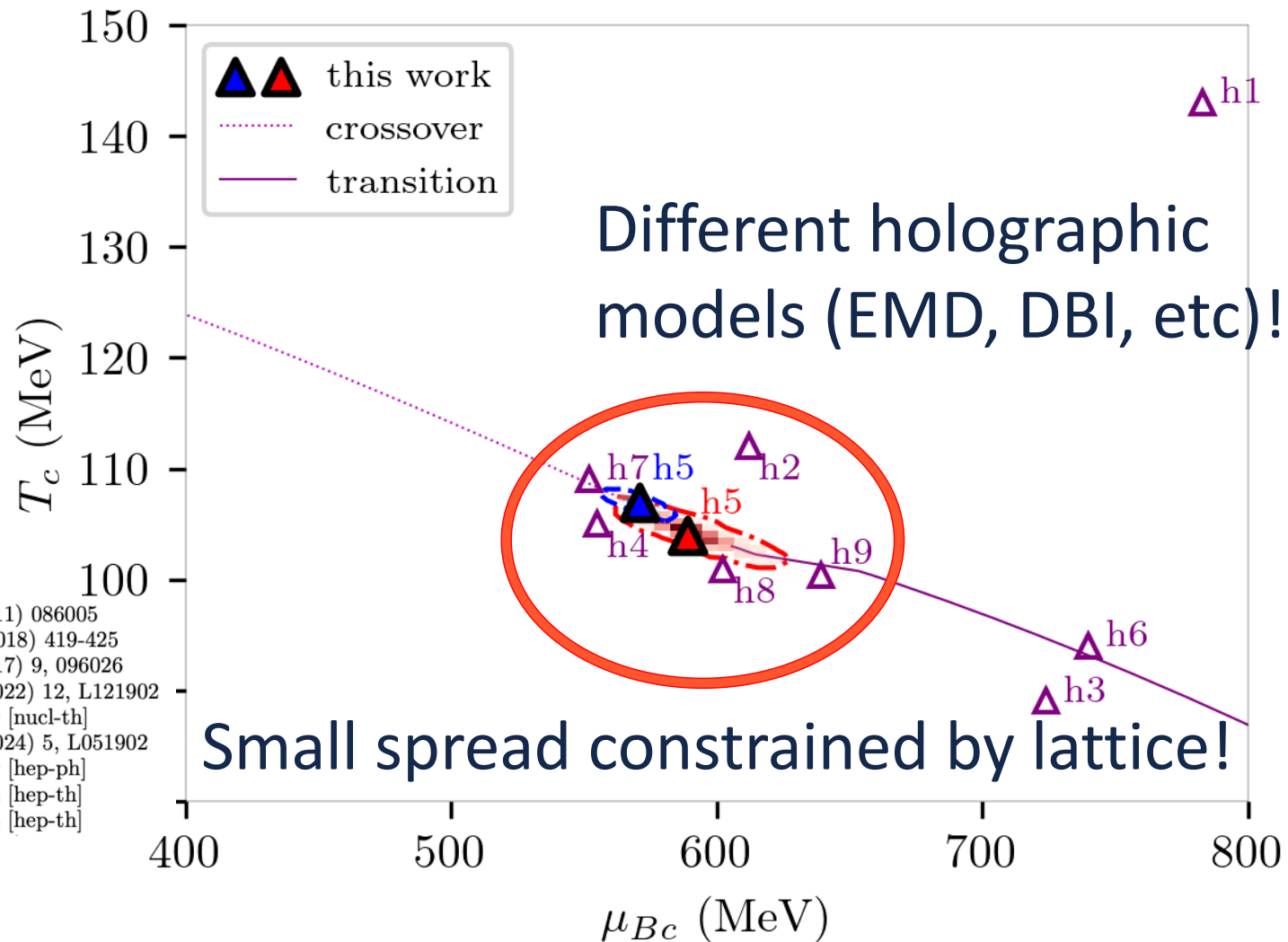
Posterior critical points

$$(T_c, \mu_{Bc})_{PHA} = (104 \pm 3, 589^{+36}_{-26}) \text{ MeV},$$

$$(T_c, \mu_{Bc})_{PA} = (107 \pm 1, 571 \pm 11) \text{ MeV}.$$

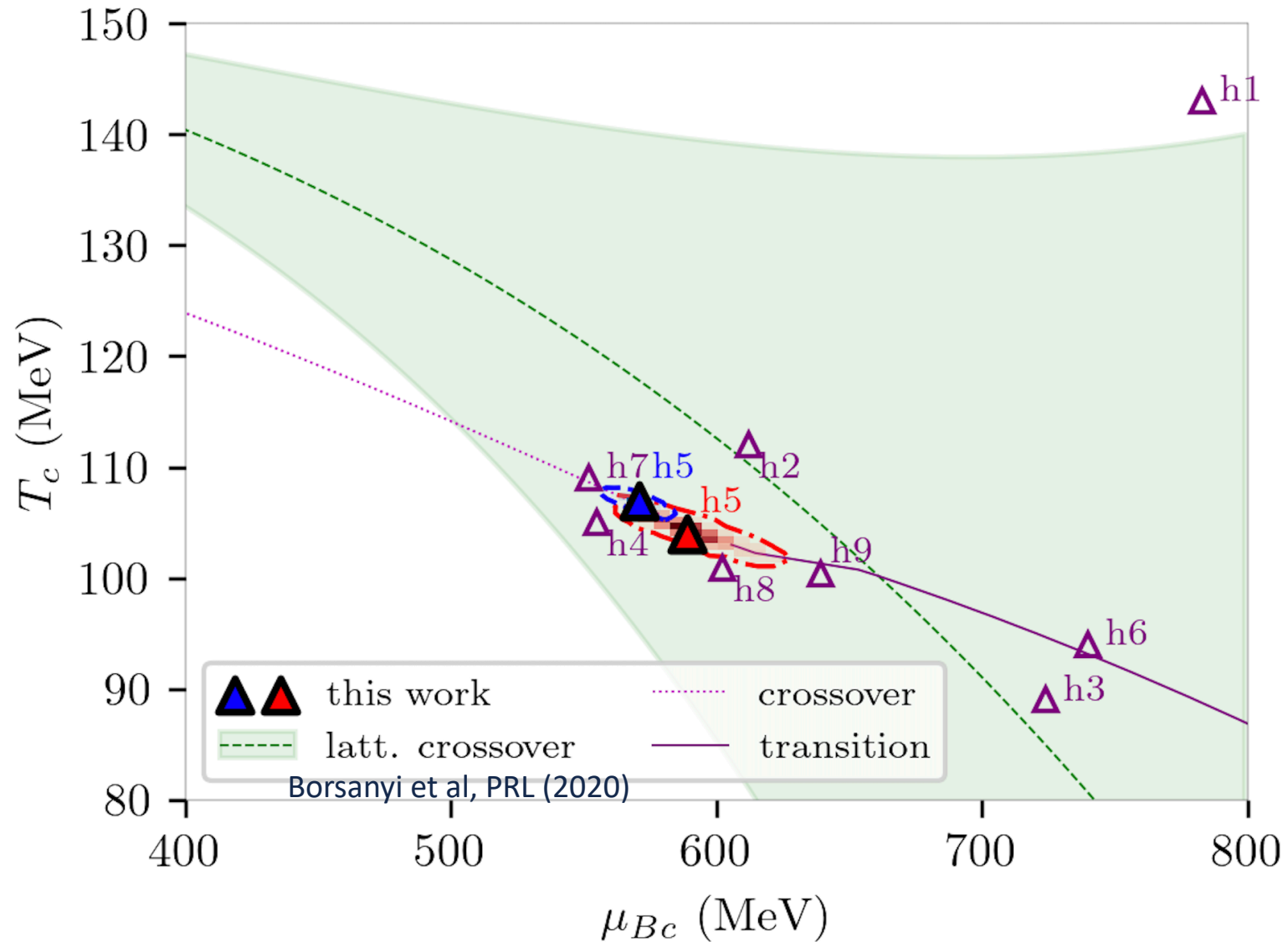


Location of CP from holography



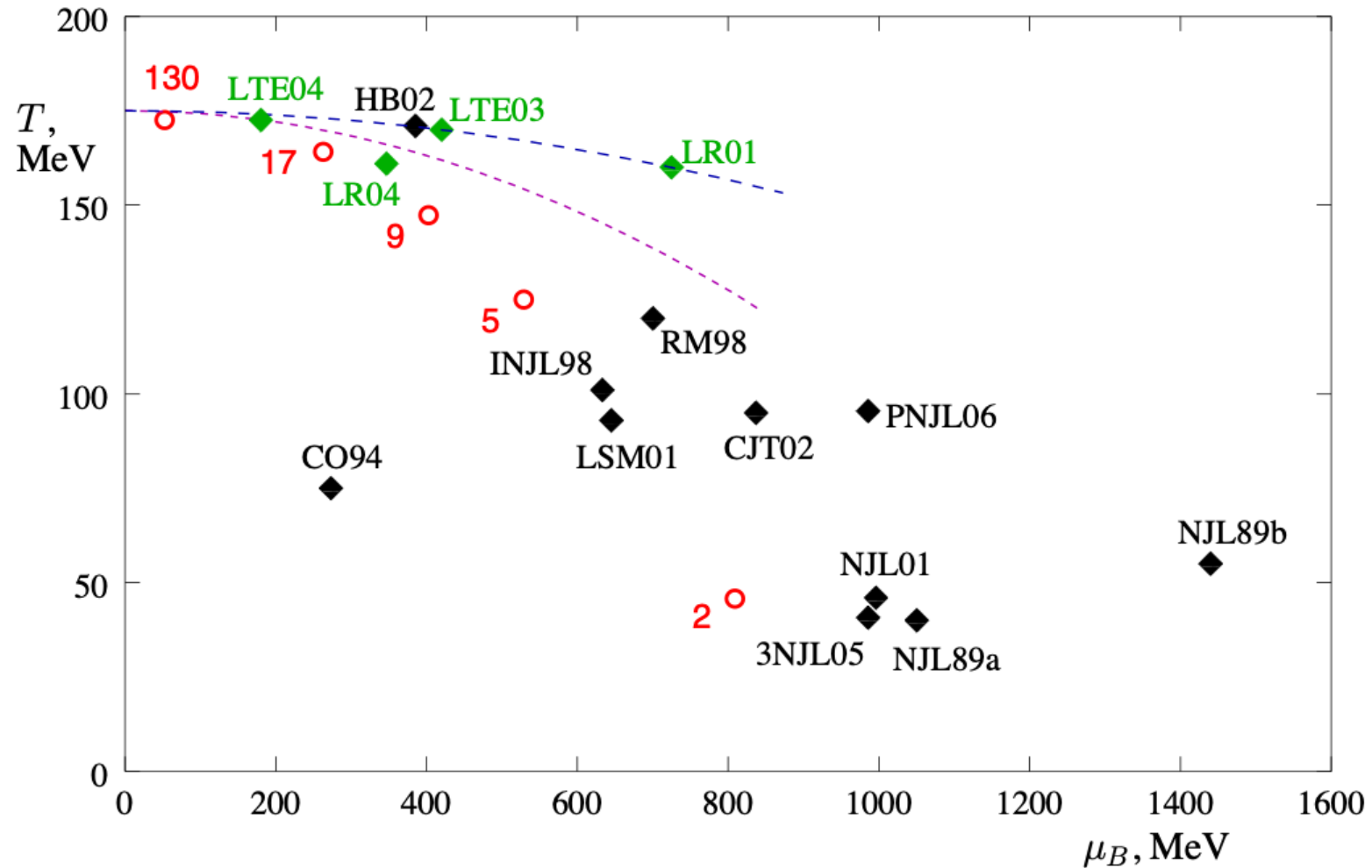
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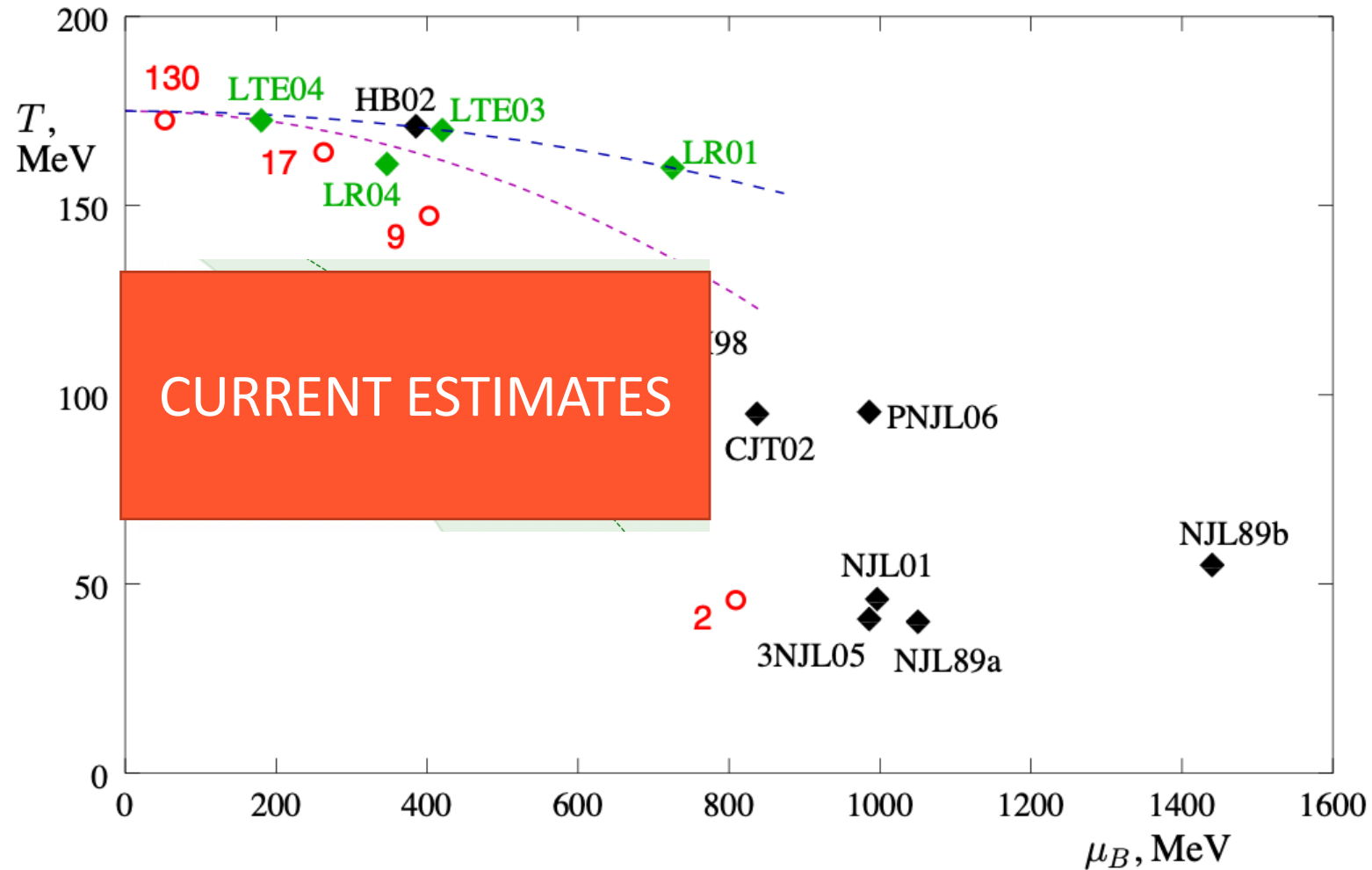
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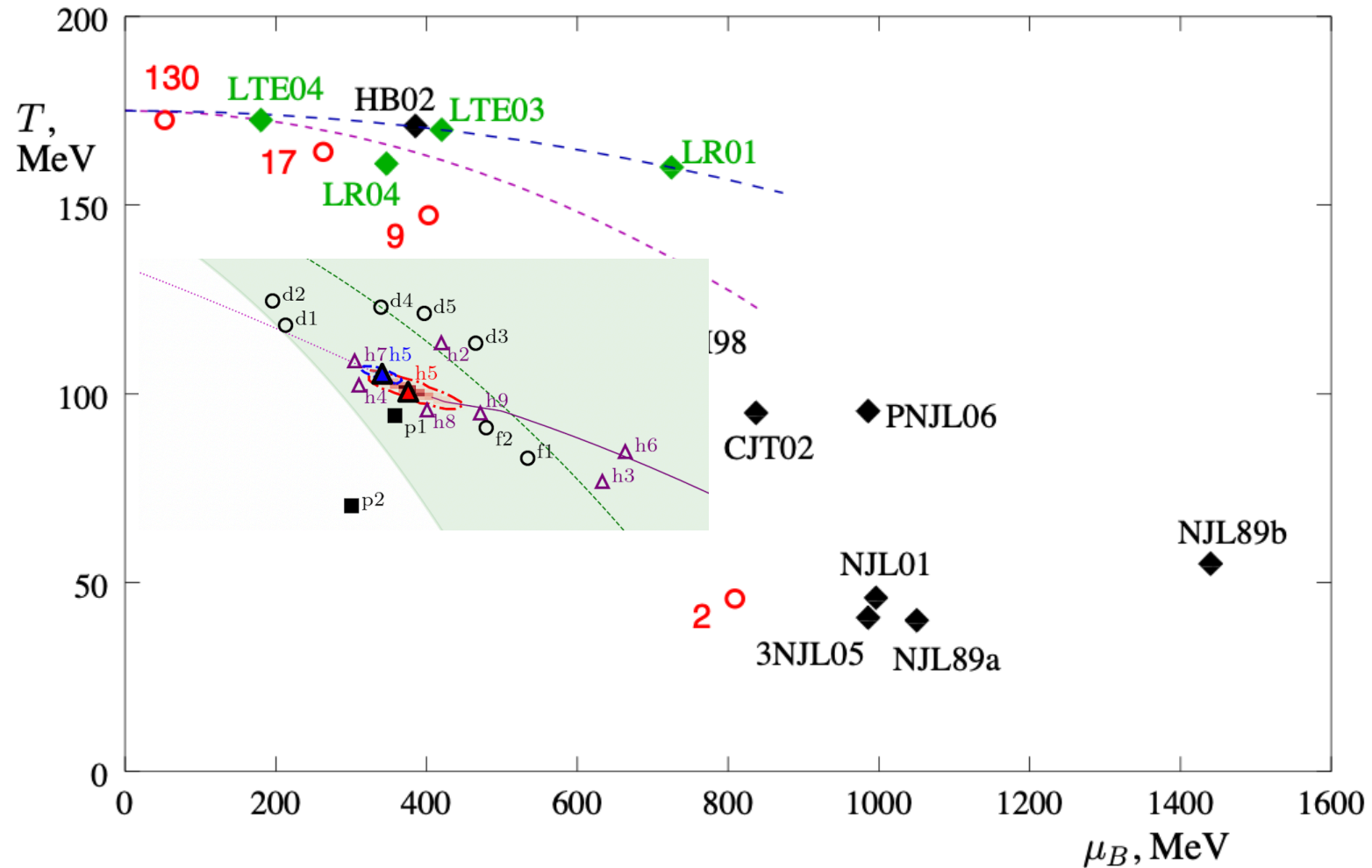
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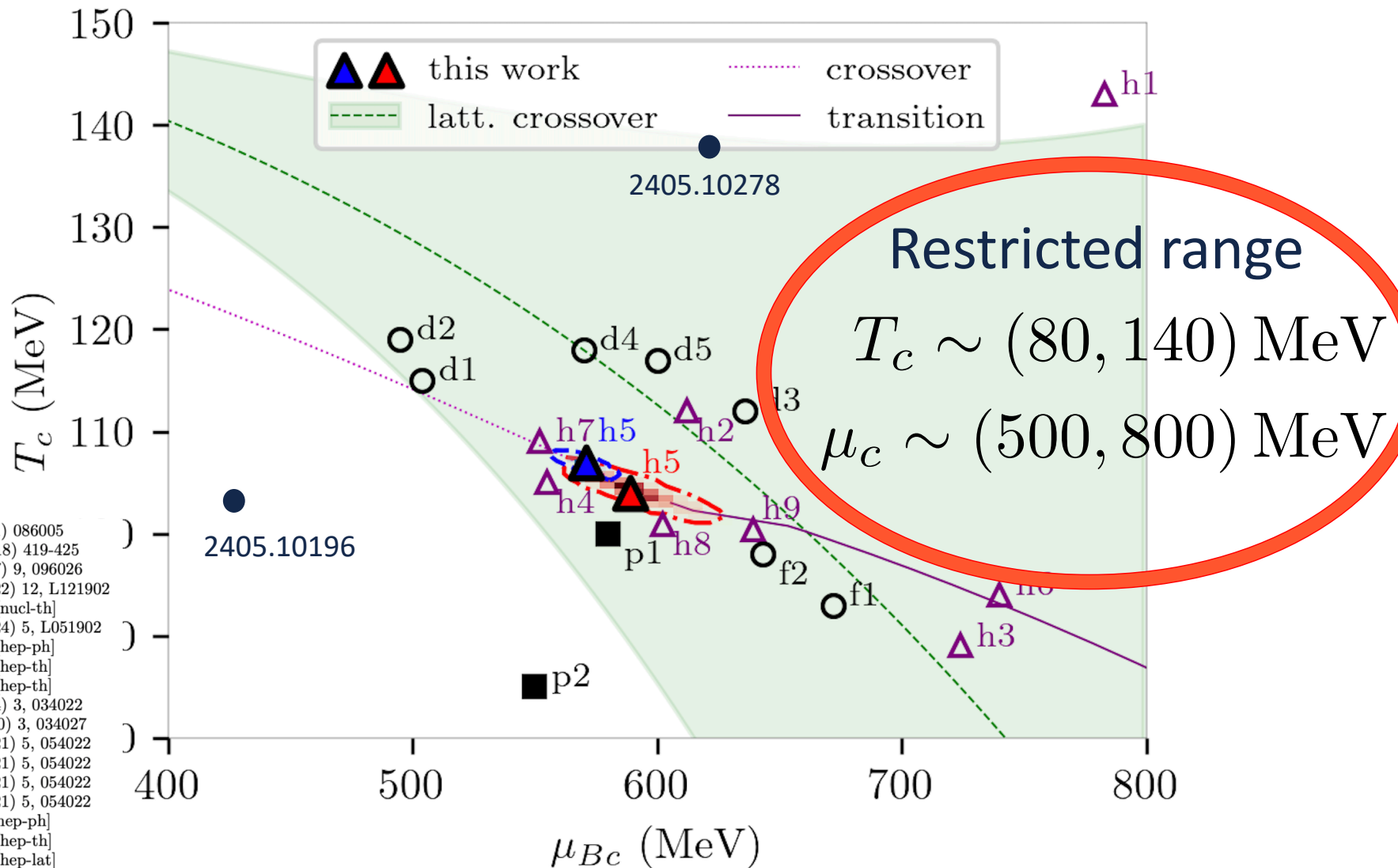


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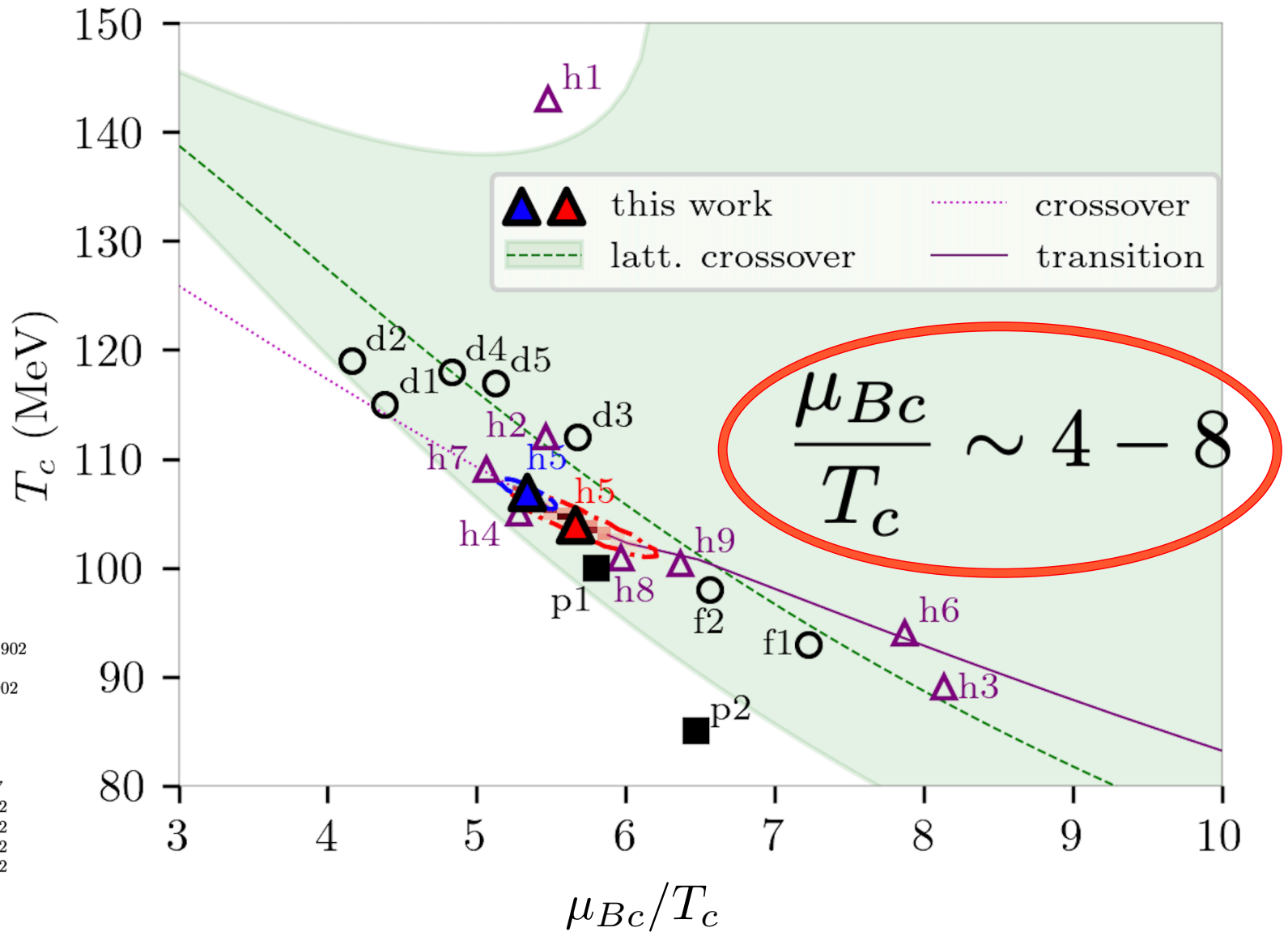


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Conclusions

- First Bayesian inference analysis of CP location constrained by lattice results at zero net baryon density:

Predict CEP (95% confidence level):

$$T_c = 101 - 108 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\mu_c = 560 - 625 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\frac{\mu_c}{T_c} \sim 5 - 6$$

- Other approaches (FRG, DSE, FSS, Pade, etc) predict CP in a similar narrow range.
- They didn't have to agree, but they do: *who ordered that?*

12:00

Discussions

Building 50 Auditorium

