



# Charmonium melting in the quark-gluon plasma phase of QCD

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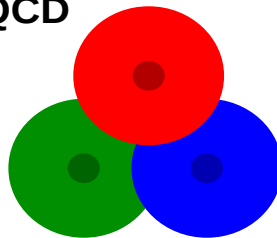


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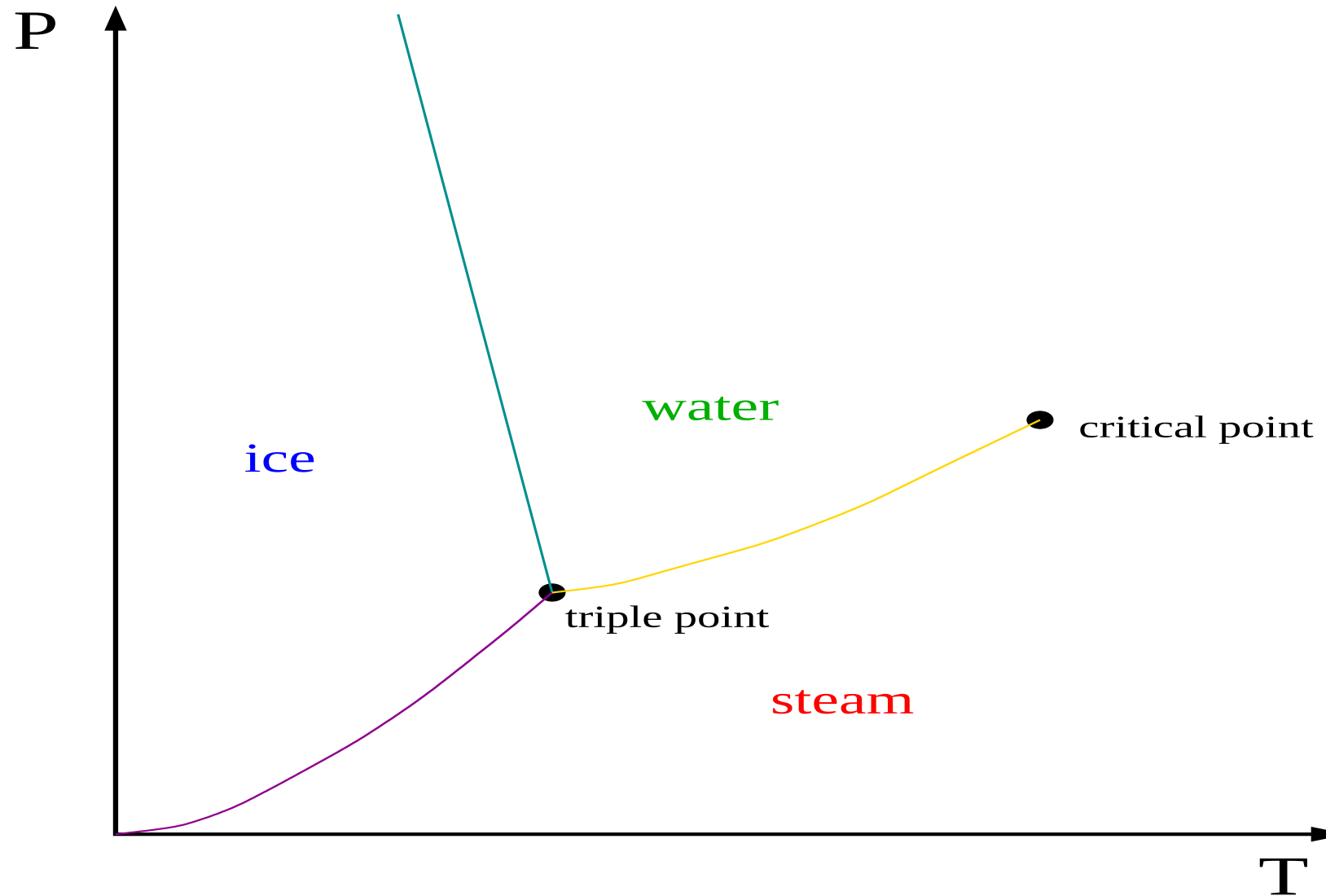


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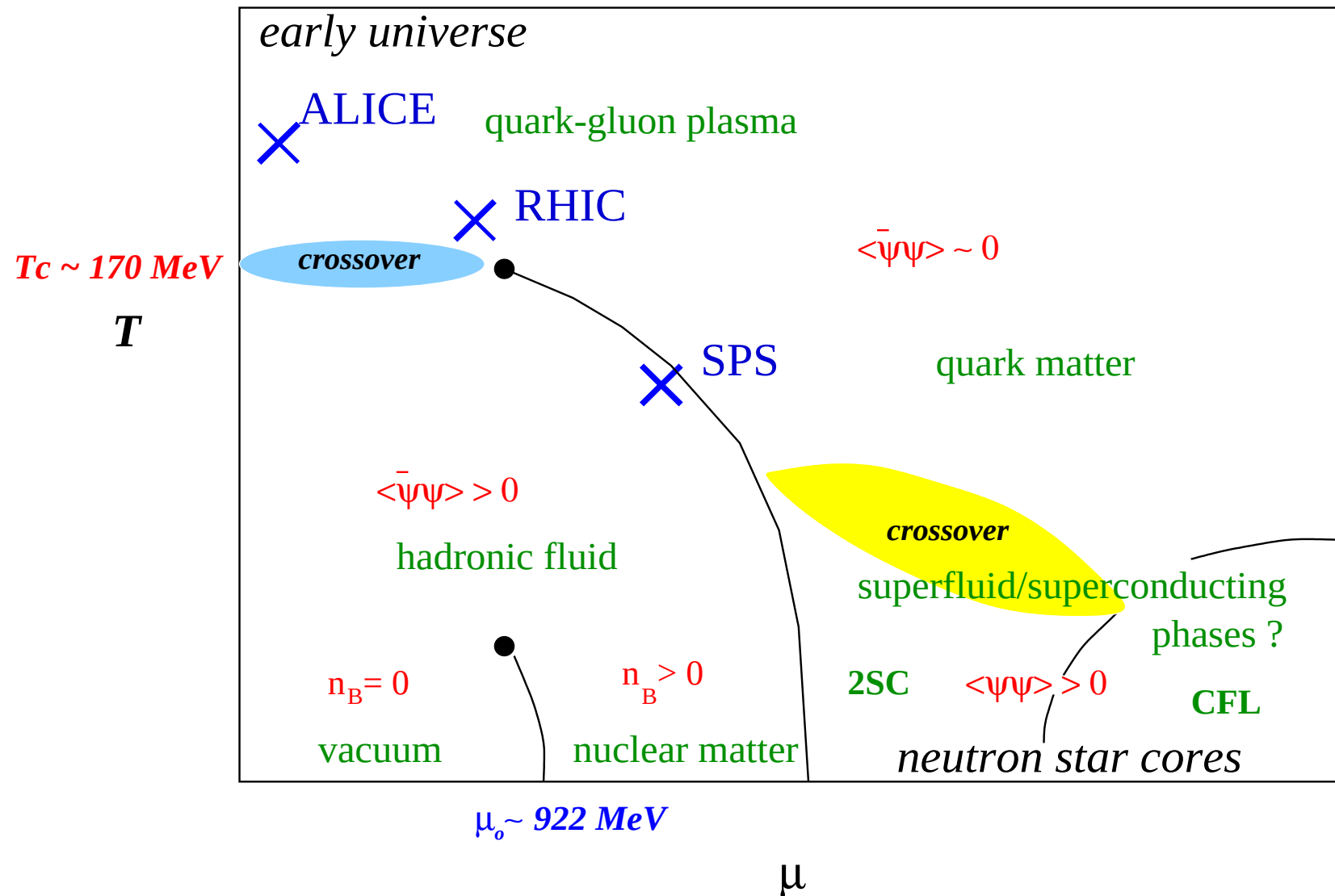
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# H<sub>2</sub>O phase diagram



# QCD phase diagram







# Overview of QCD phases

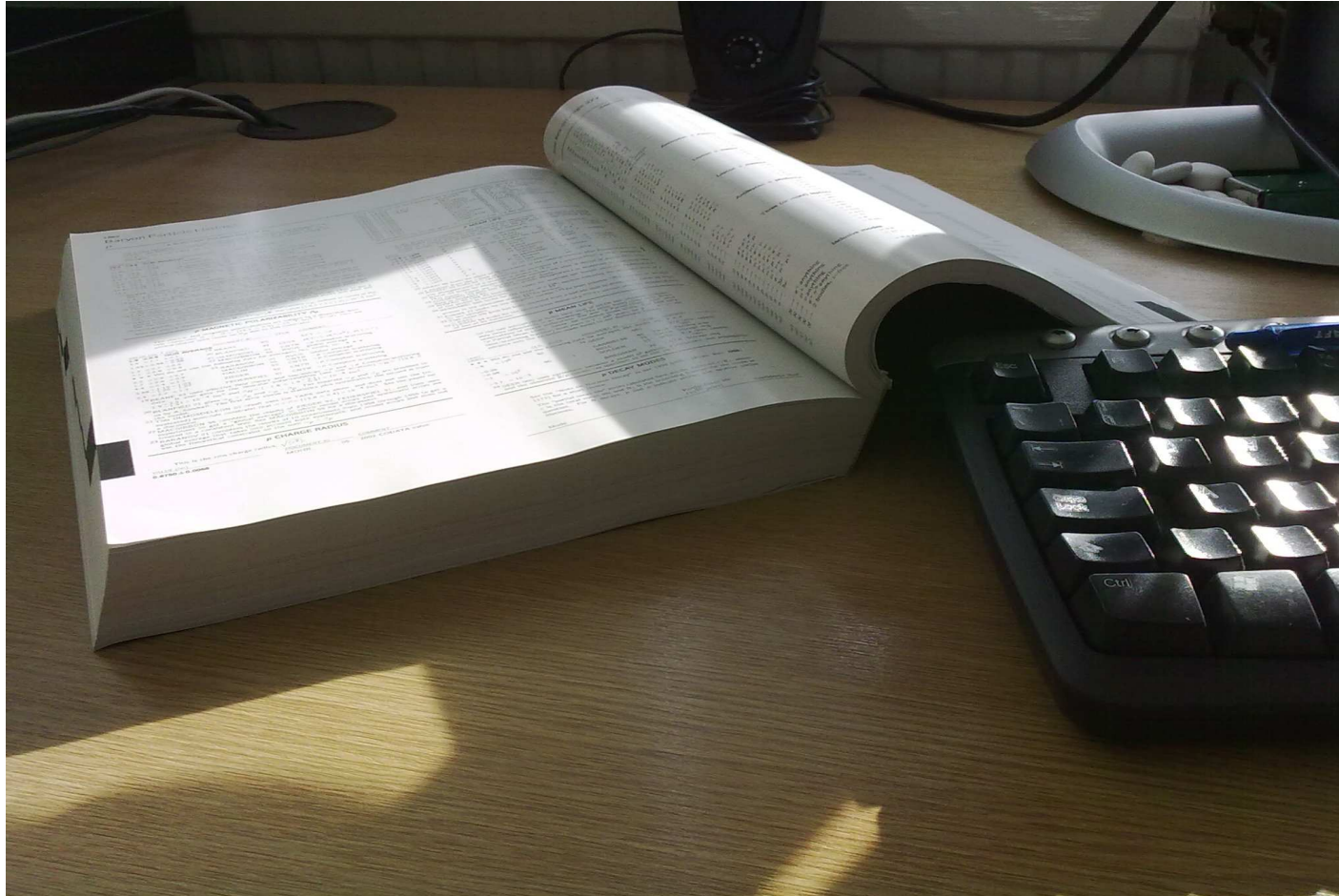
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# Particle Data Book

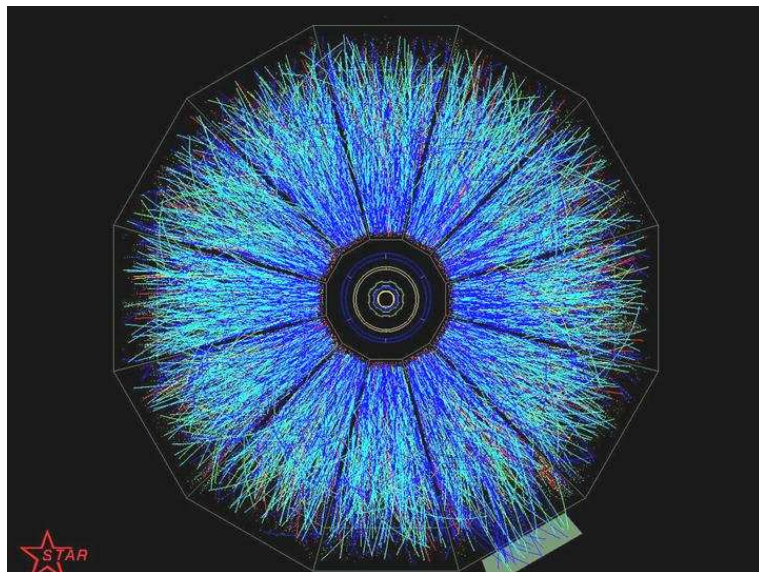
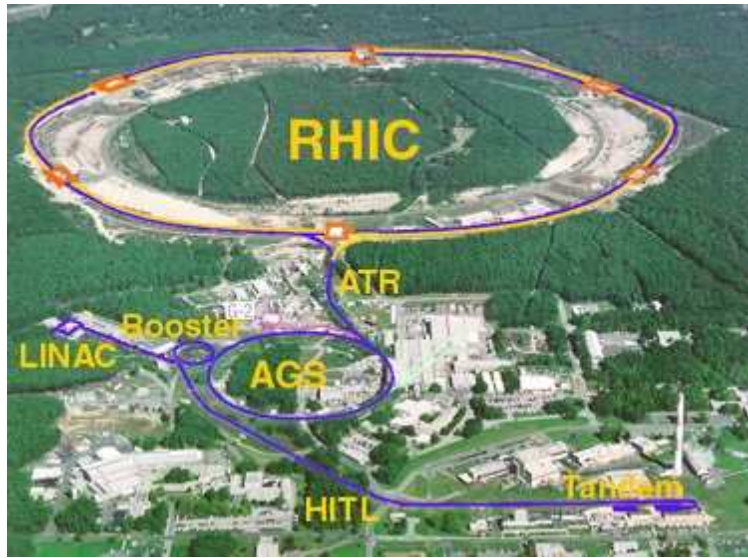


$\sim 1.5 \times 10^3$  pages

zero pages on Quark-Gluon Plasma...

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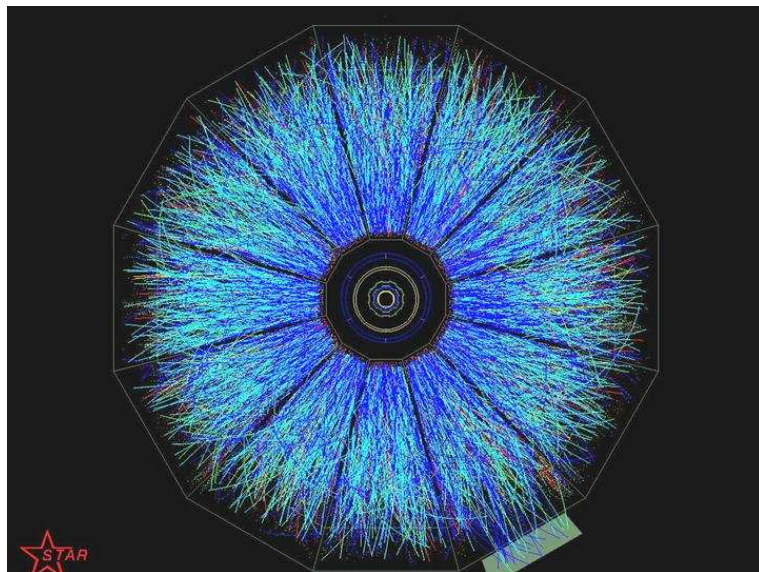
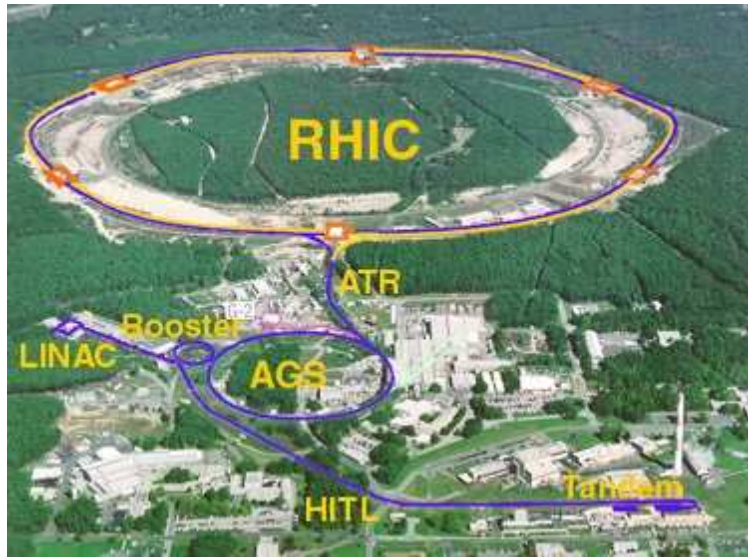
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- Naive: quarks and gluons virtually free
- Expt: (relatively) strongly interacting
  - Almost instantaneous equilibration
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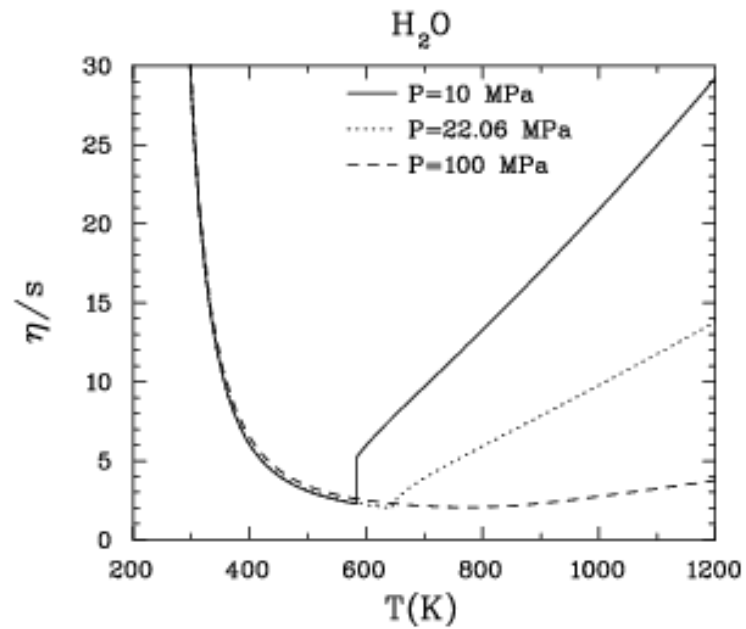
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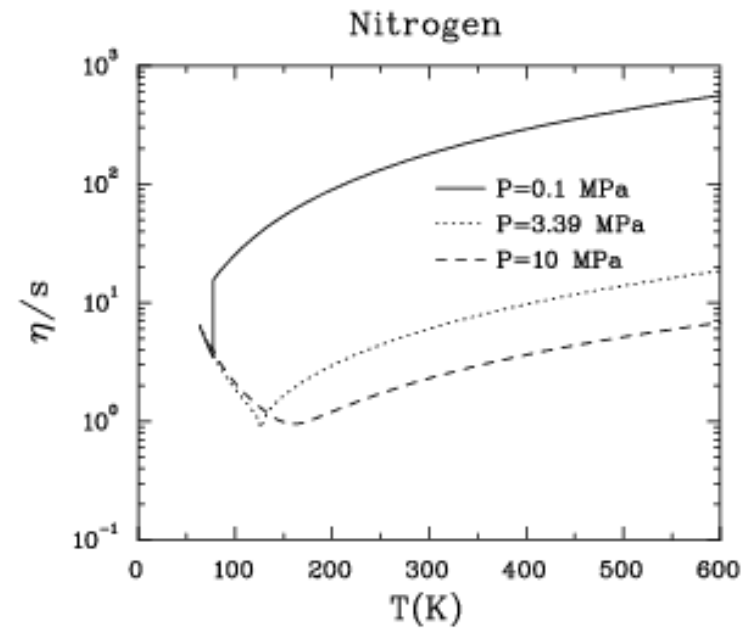
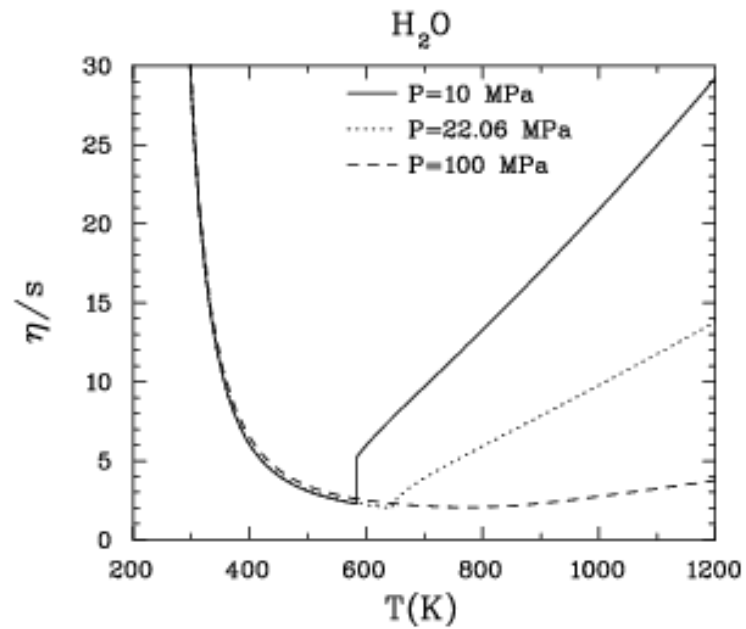
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*Finally string theory makes contact with nature...*

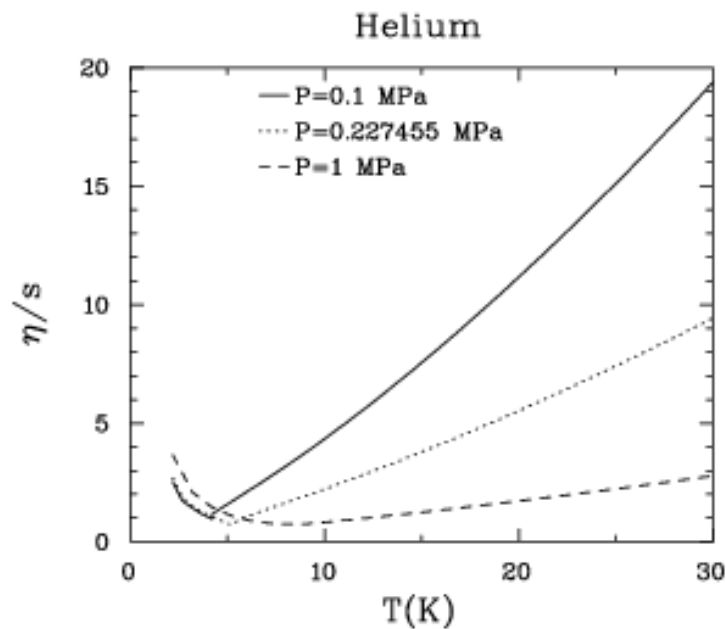
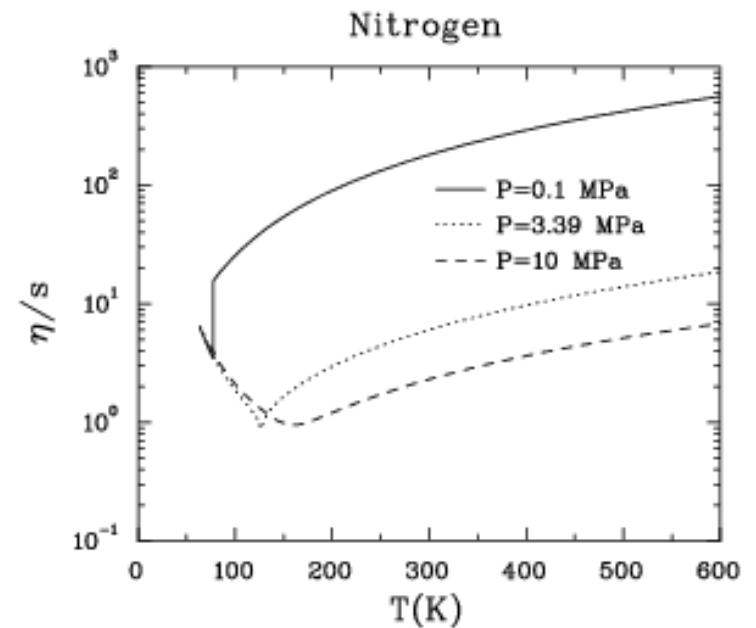
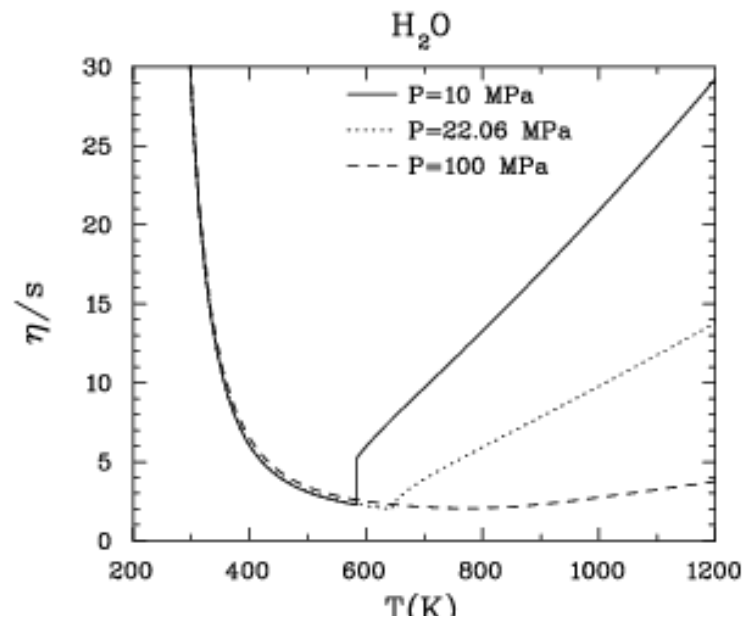
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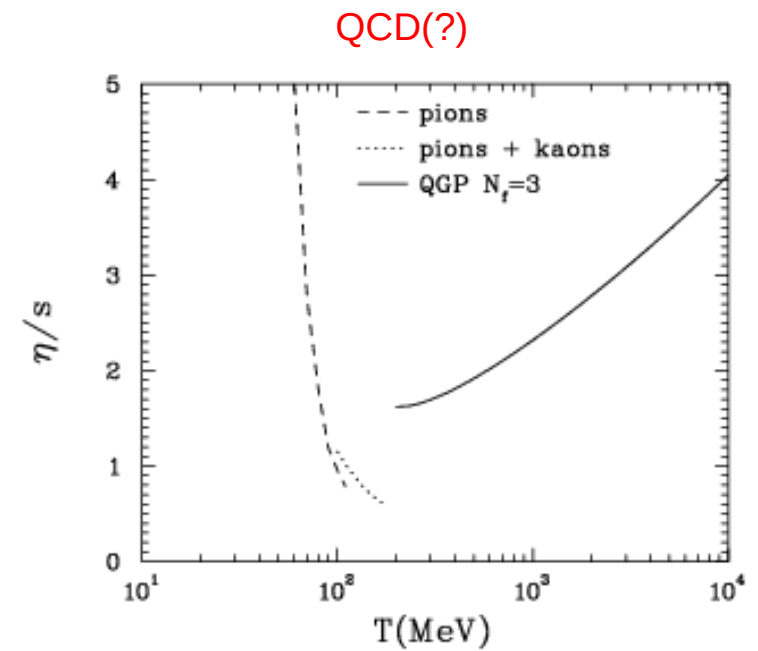
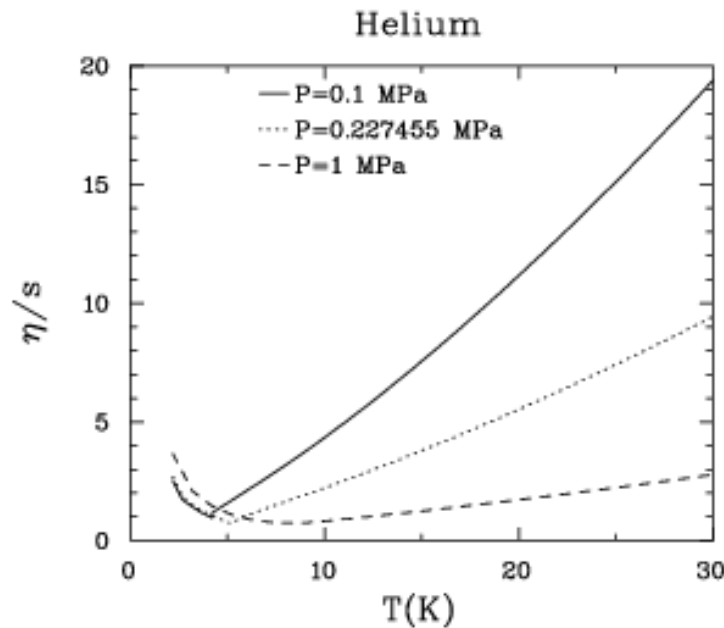
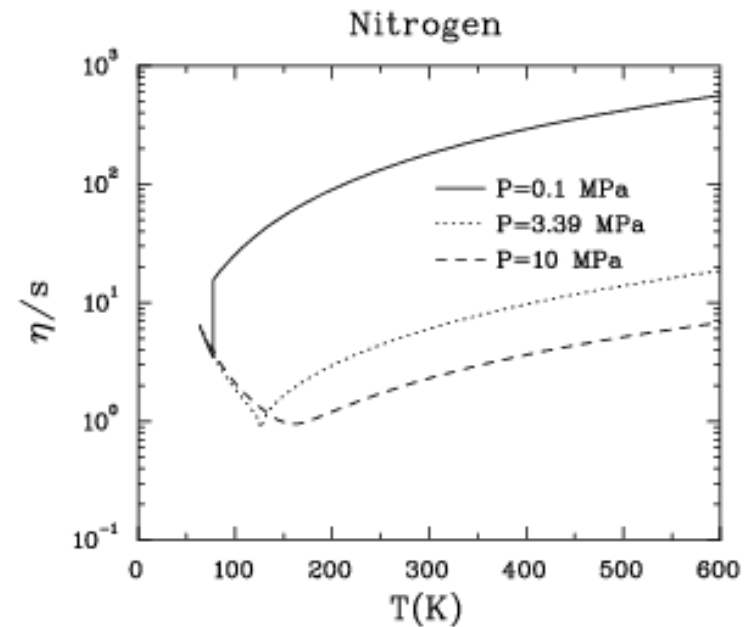
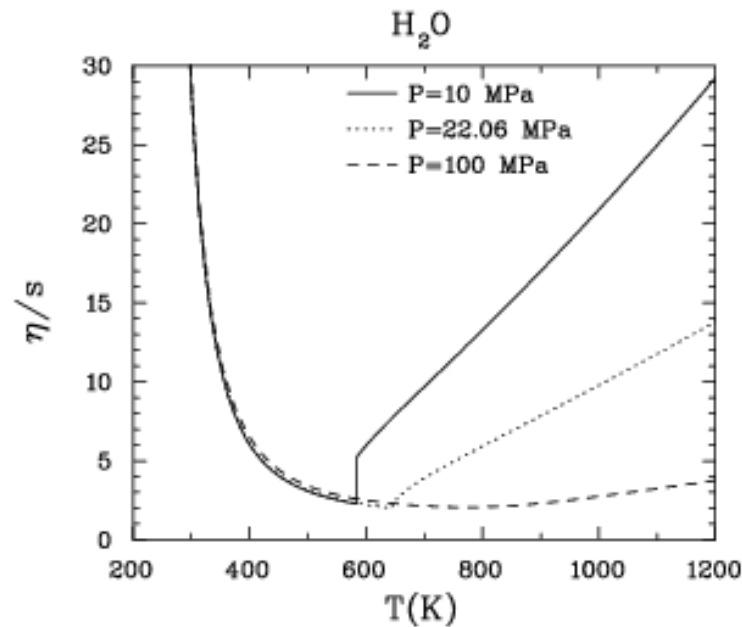


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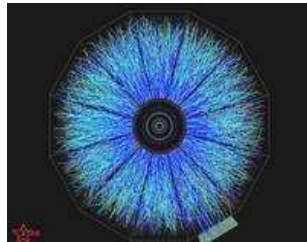
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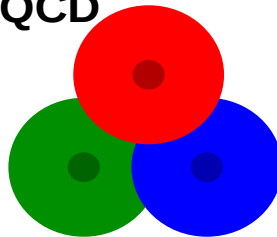
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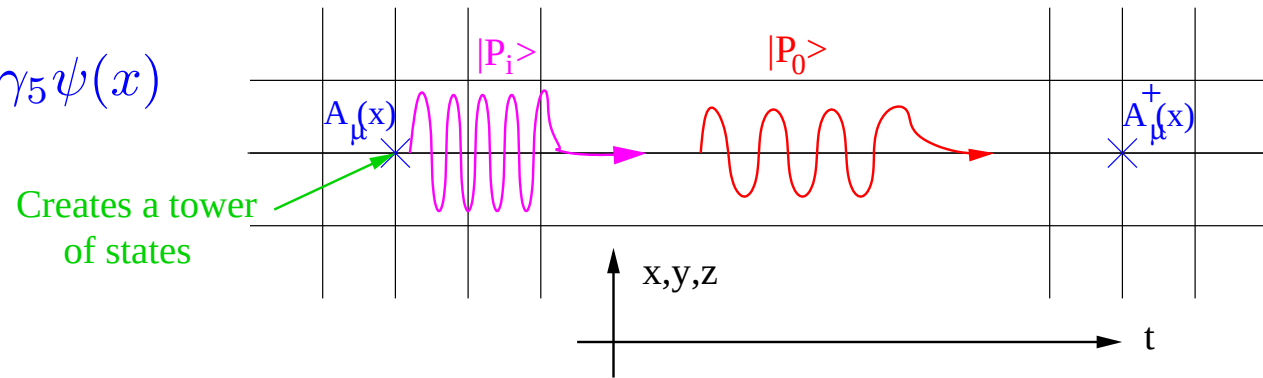
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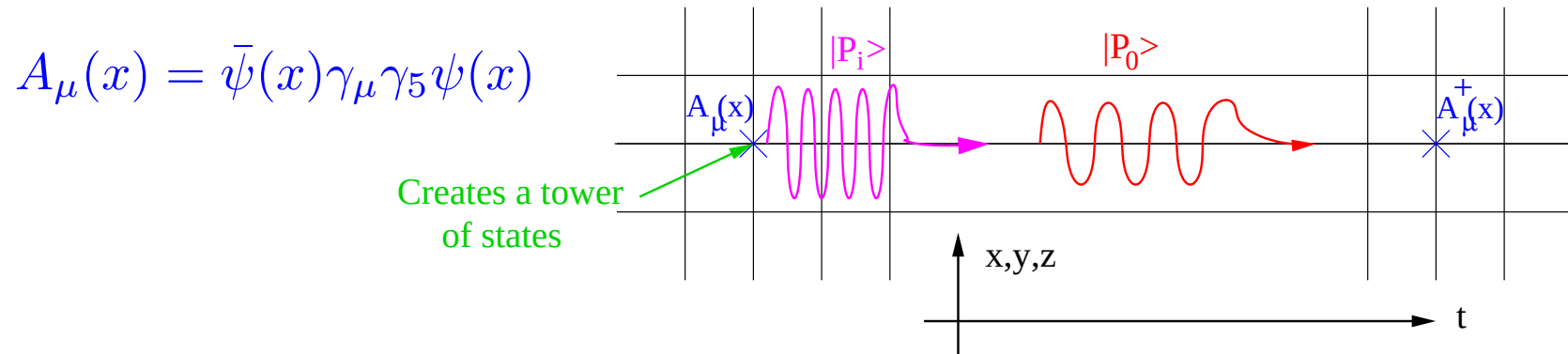


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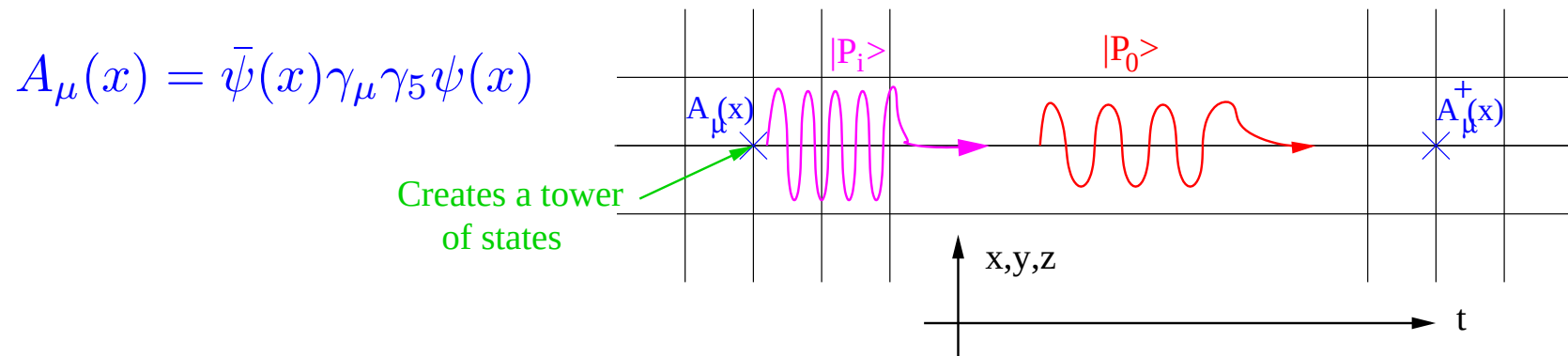


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t large:  $\rightarrow \frac{|\langle 0 | A_\mu(0) | P(0) \rangle|^2}{2M_0} e^{-M_0 t} \equiv Z e^{-M_0 t}$

Lightest state!

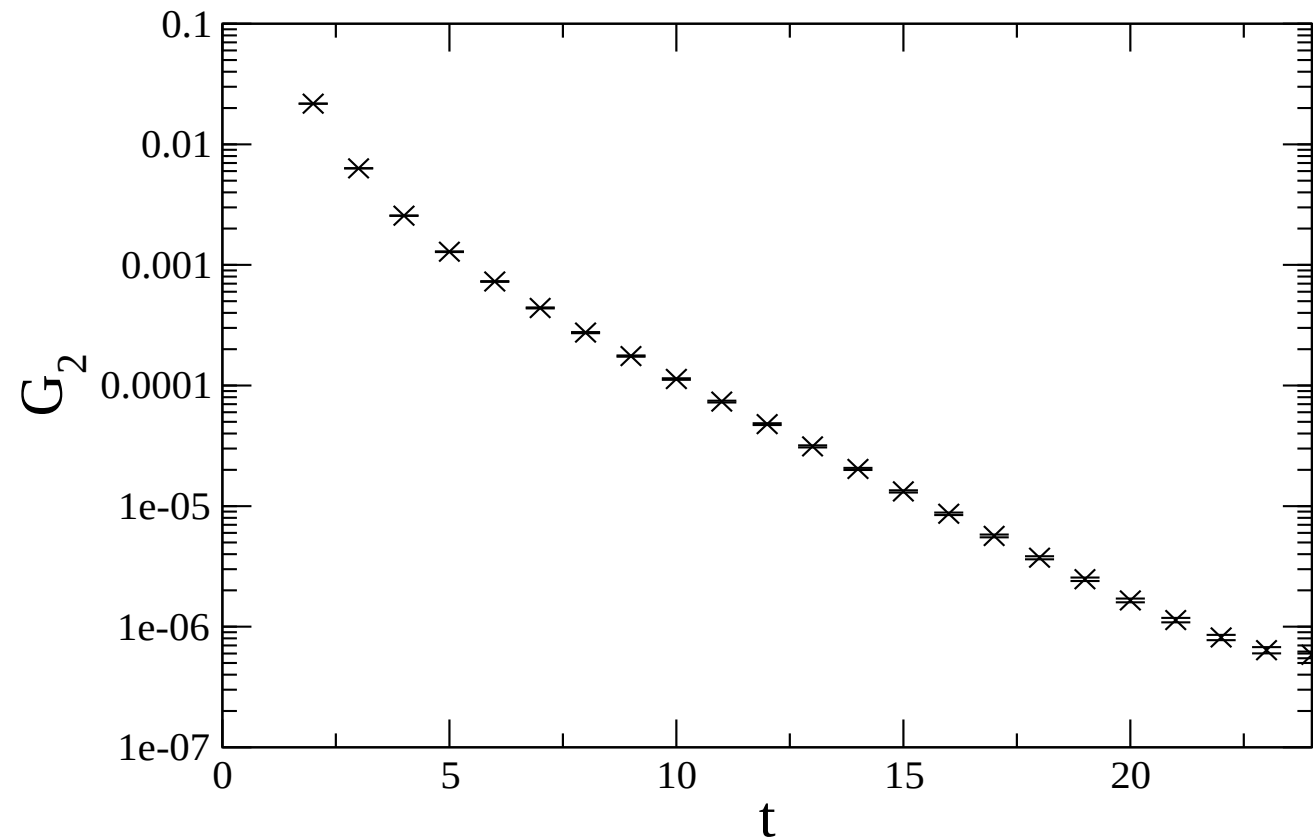
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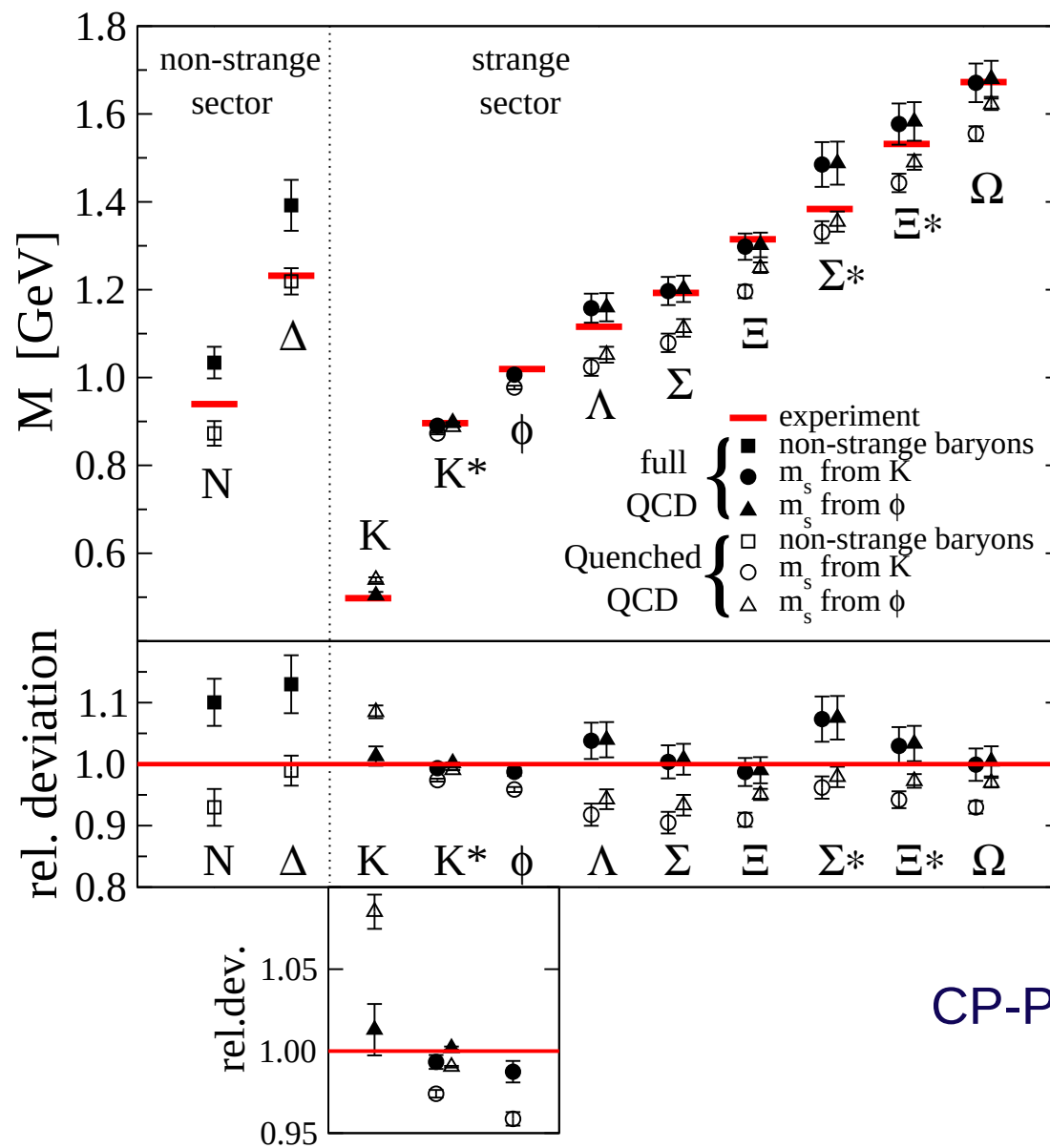
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# Hadronic Spectrum



CP-PACS Collaboration



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But ... it is systematically improvable

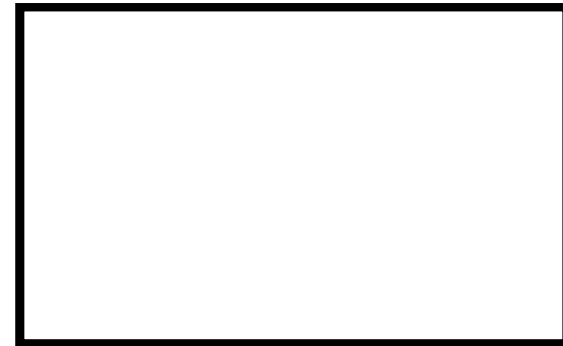
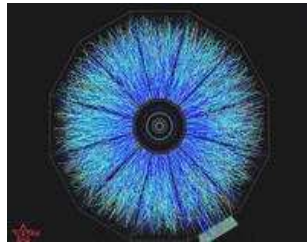
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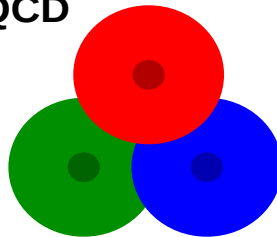
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Bound States



# Motivation

Do bound hadronic states persist into the “quark-gluon” plasma phase?

- *Spectral functions* can answer this!

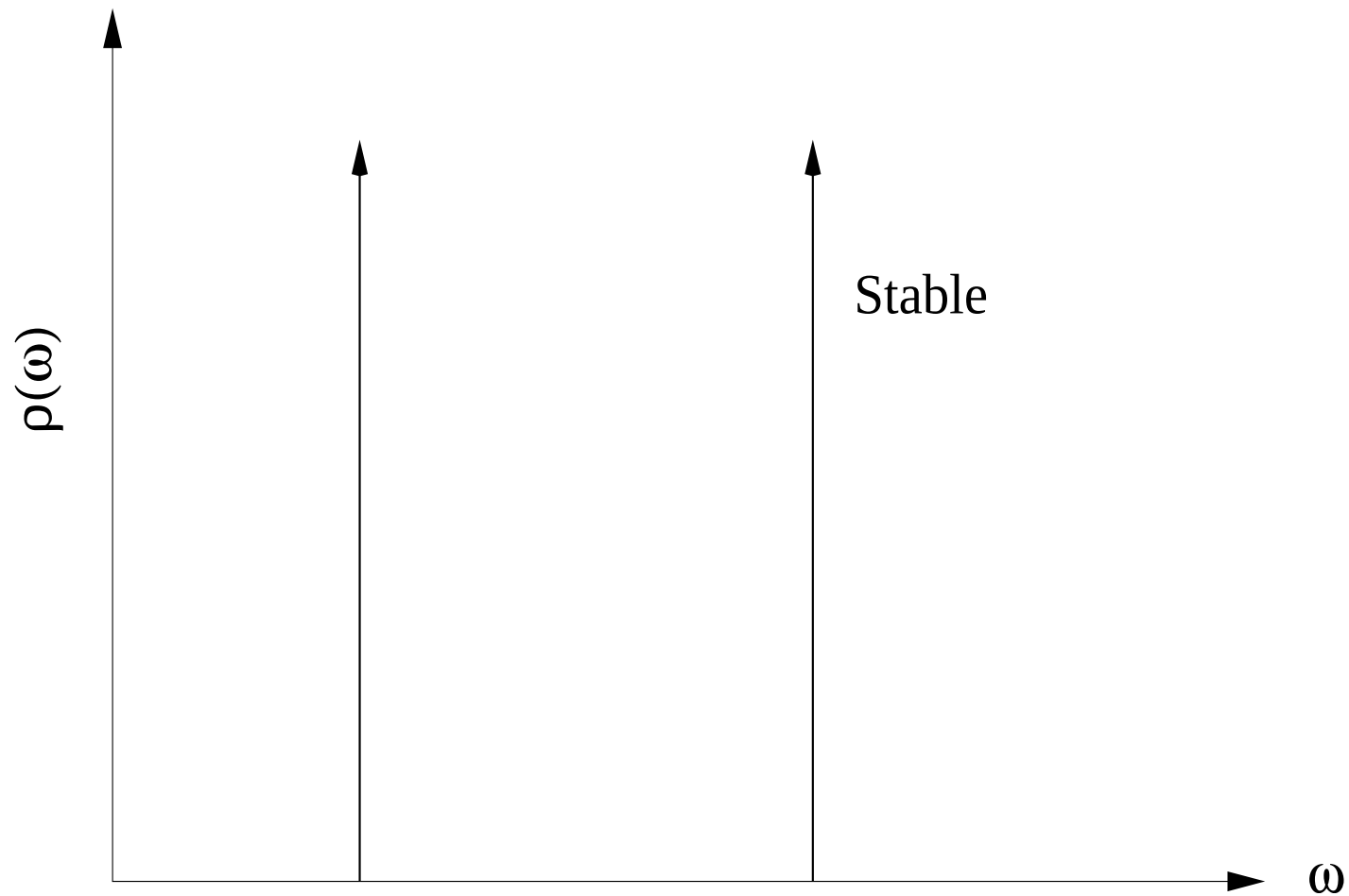
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} G(t, \vec{p}) & = & \int & \rho(\omega, \vec{p}) & K(t, \omega) d\omega \\ \uparrow & & & \downarrow & \swarrow \\ \text{Euclidean} & & \text{Spectral} & & \text{(Lattice)} \\ \text{Correlator} & & \text{Function} & & \text{Kernel} \end{array}$$

where the (Lattice) Kernel is:

$$\begin{aligned} K(t, \omega) &= \frac{\cosh[\omega(t - N_t/2)]}{\sinh[\omega/(2T)]} \\ &\sim \exp[-\omega t] \end{aligned}$$

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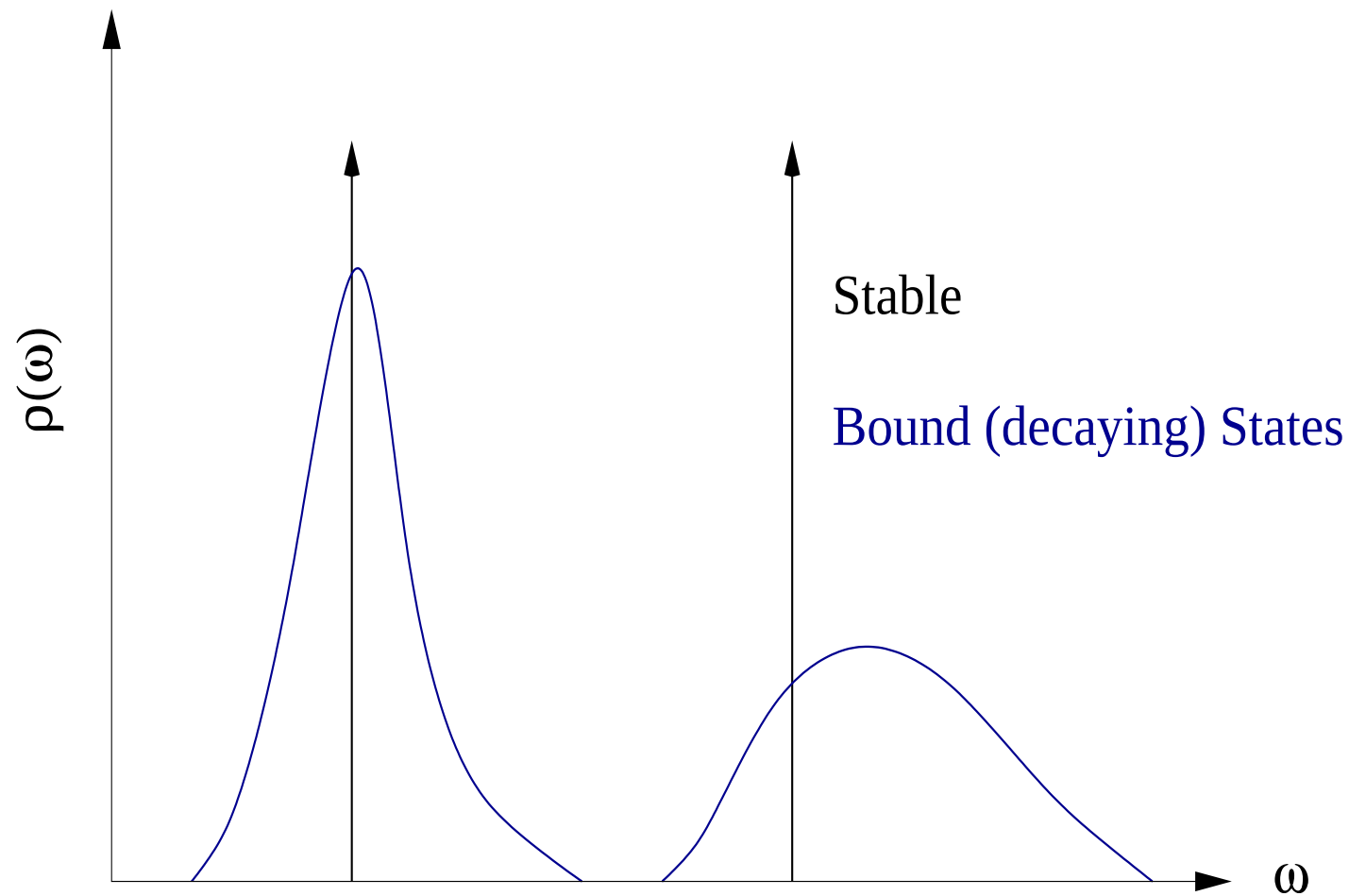
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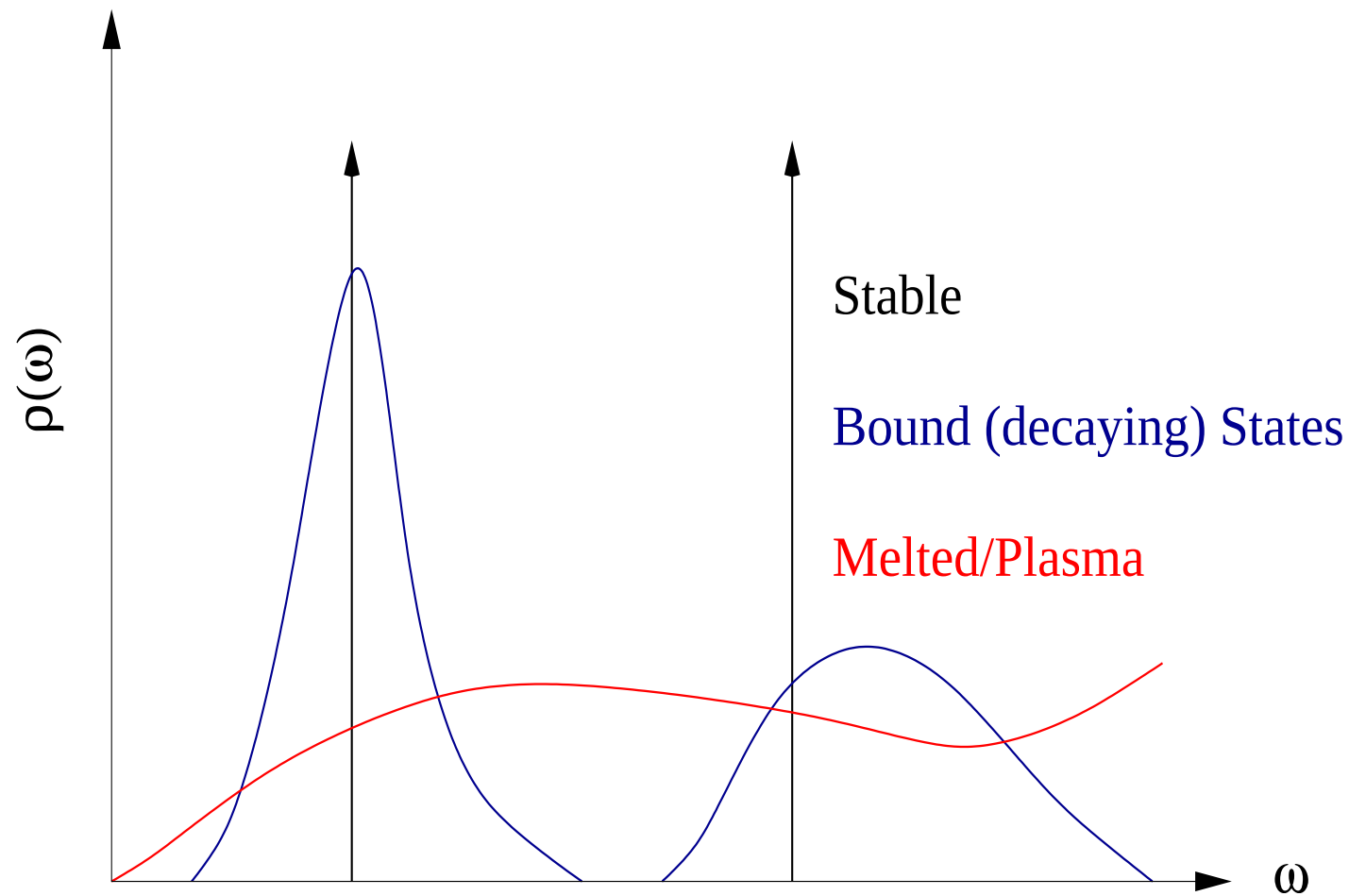
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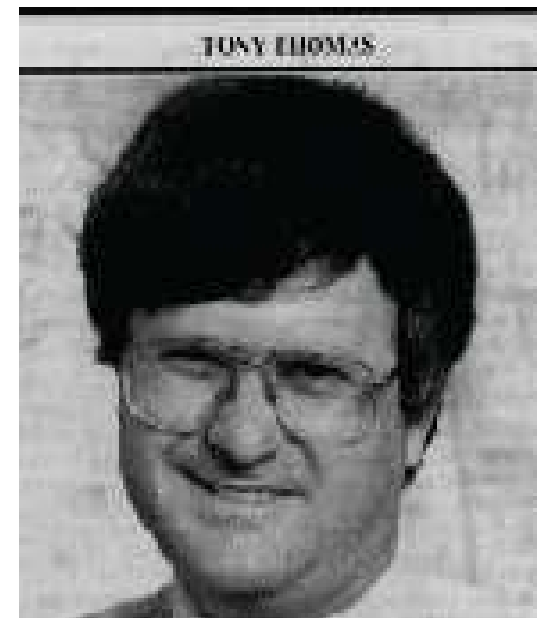
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- Requires the use of Bayesian analysis - Maximum Entropy Method (MEM)
  - Hatsuda et al





# Two lattice studies

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## Dublin-Swansea

- Dynamical
- Anisotropic
- Zero momentum

## Swansea

- Quenched
- Isotropic
- Non-zero momentum



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|------------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Light quarks     | $M_\pi/M_\rho$ | $\sim 0.5$        |                             |
| Anisotropy       | $\xi$          | 6                 |                             |
| Lattice spacings | $a_t$          | $\sim 0.025$ fm   |                             |
|                  | $a_s$          | $\sim 0.15$ fm    |                             |
| Spatial Volume   | $N_s^3$        | $8^3$ (& $12^3$ ) |                             |
| $1/T$            | $N_t$          | 16                | $\rightarrow T \sim 2T_c$   |
|                  |                | 24                | $\rightarrow T \sim 1.3T_c$ |
|                  |                | 32                | $\rightarrow T \sim T_c$    |
| Statistics       | $N_{cfg}$      | $\sim 500$        |                             |

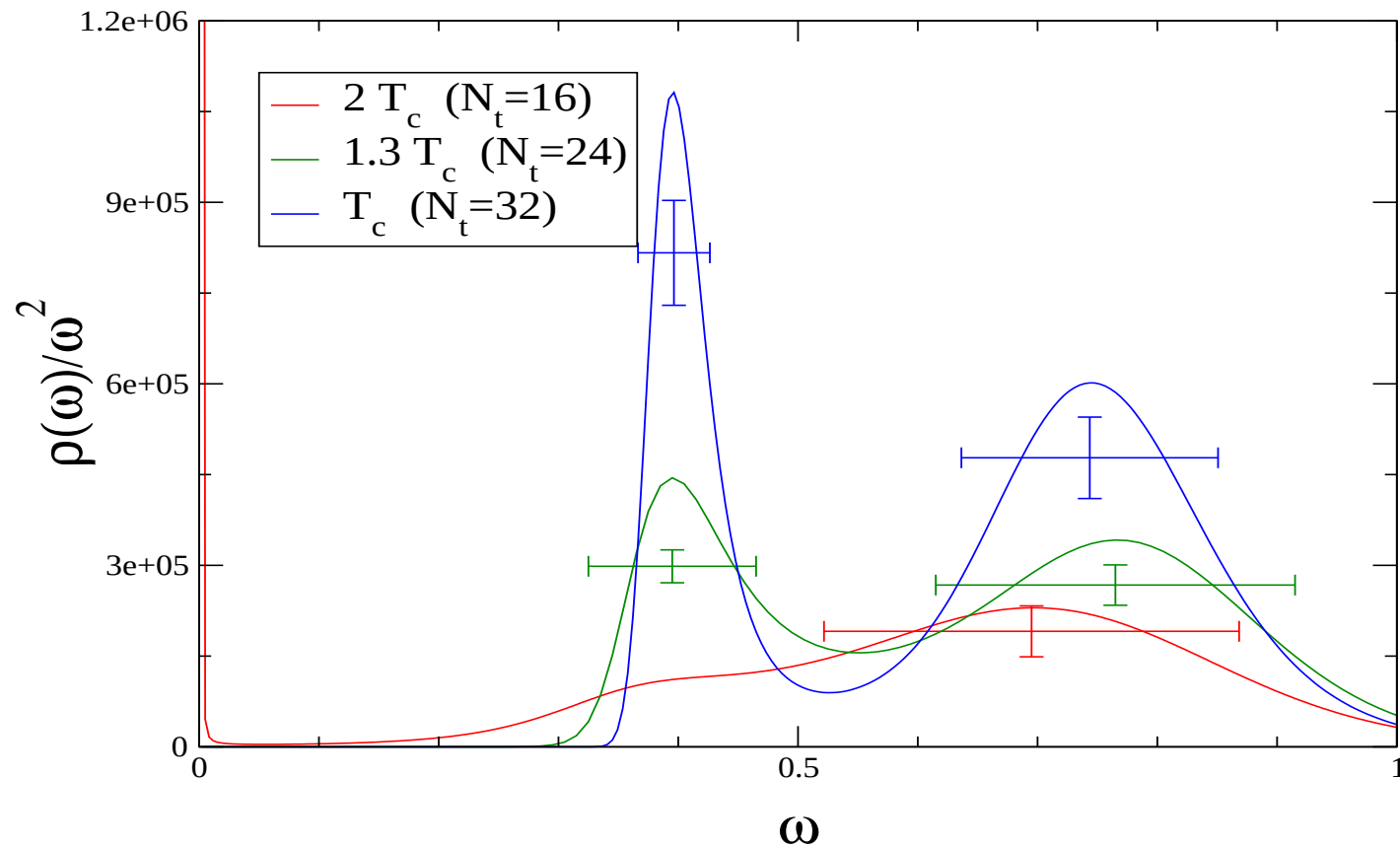
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[Aarts, Oktay, Peardon, Skullerud, CRA]

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$\eta_C$  Pseudoscalar ( $am_c = 0.080$ ,  $N_s = 8$ )

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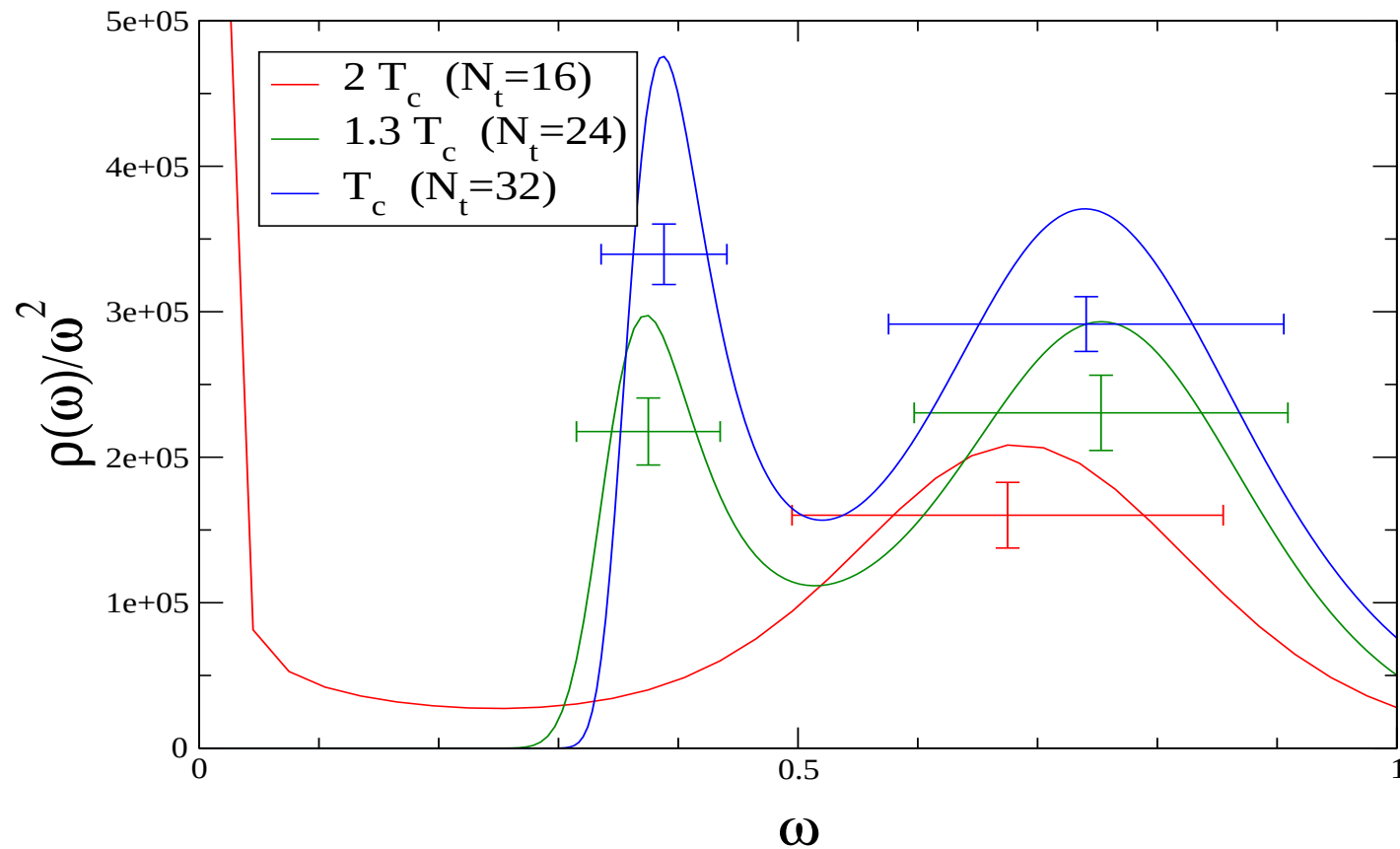


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$J/\psi$  Vector ( $am_c = 0.080$ ,  $N_s = 8$ )

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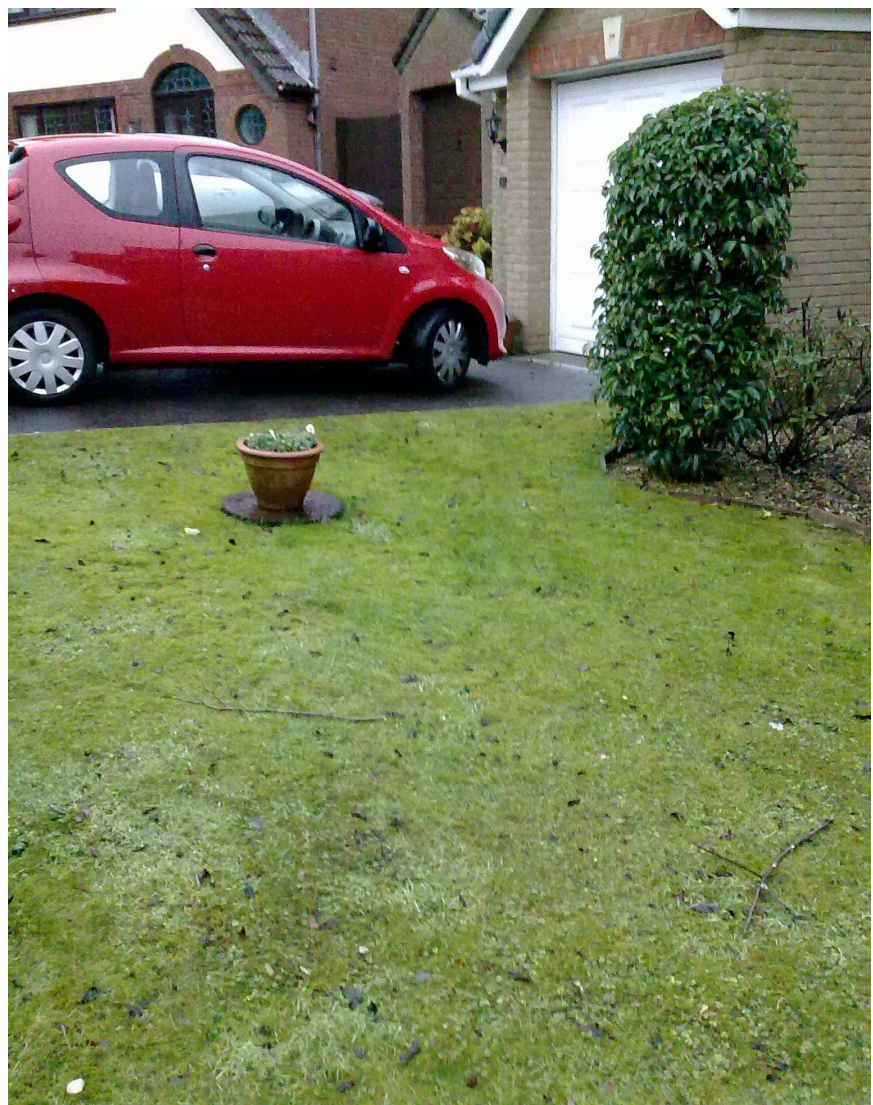












# Lattice Action and Parameters (Swansea) I

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- Gluon Action:
  - Wilson
- Quenched
- Twisted Boundary Conditions
  - large range of momenta available
- Singularity at  $\omega \sim 0$  traced to  $K(\omega, t)$  and corrected

[Aarts, Foley, Hands, Kim, CRA]

# Lattice Action and Parameters (Swansea) II

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## COLD

|                  |                    |                                              |
|------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Lattice spacings | $a^{-1}$           | $\sim 4 \text{ GeV}$                         |
| Spatial Volume   | $N_s^3 \times N_t$ | $48^3 \times 24$                             |
| $T$              | $1/(aN_t)$         | $T \sim 160 \text{ MeV} \sim \frac{1}{2}T_c$ |
| Statistics       | $N_{cfg}$          | $\sim 100$                                   |

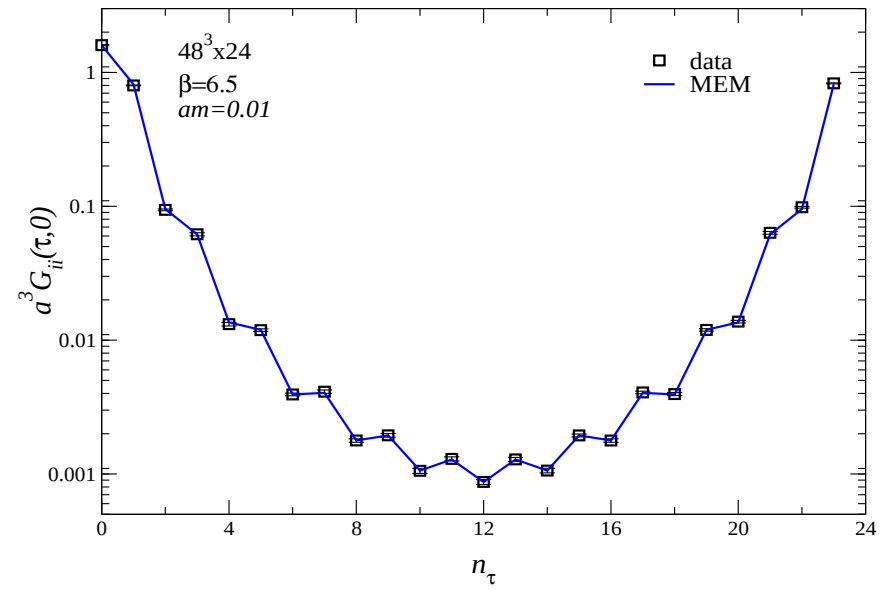
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## HOT

|                  |                    |                                              |
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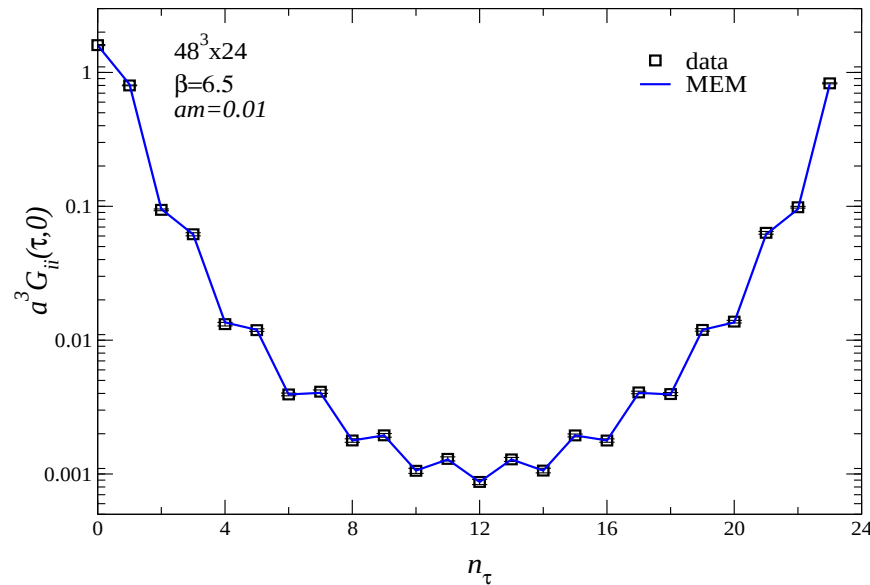
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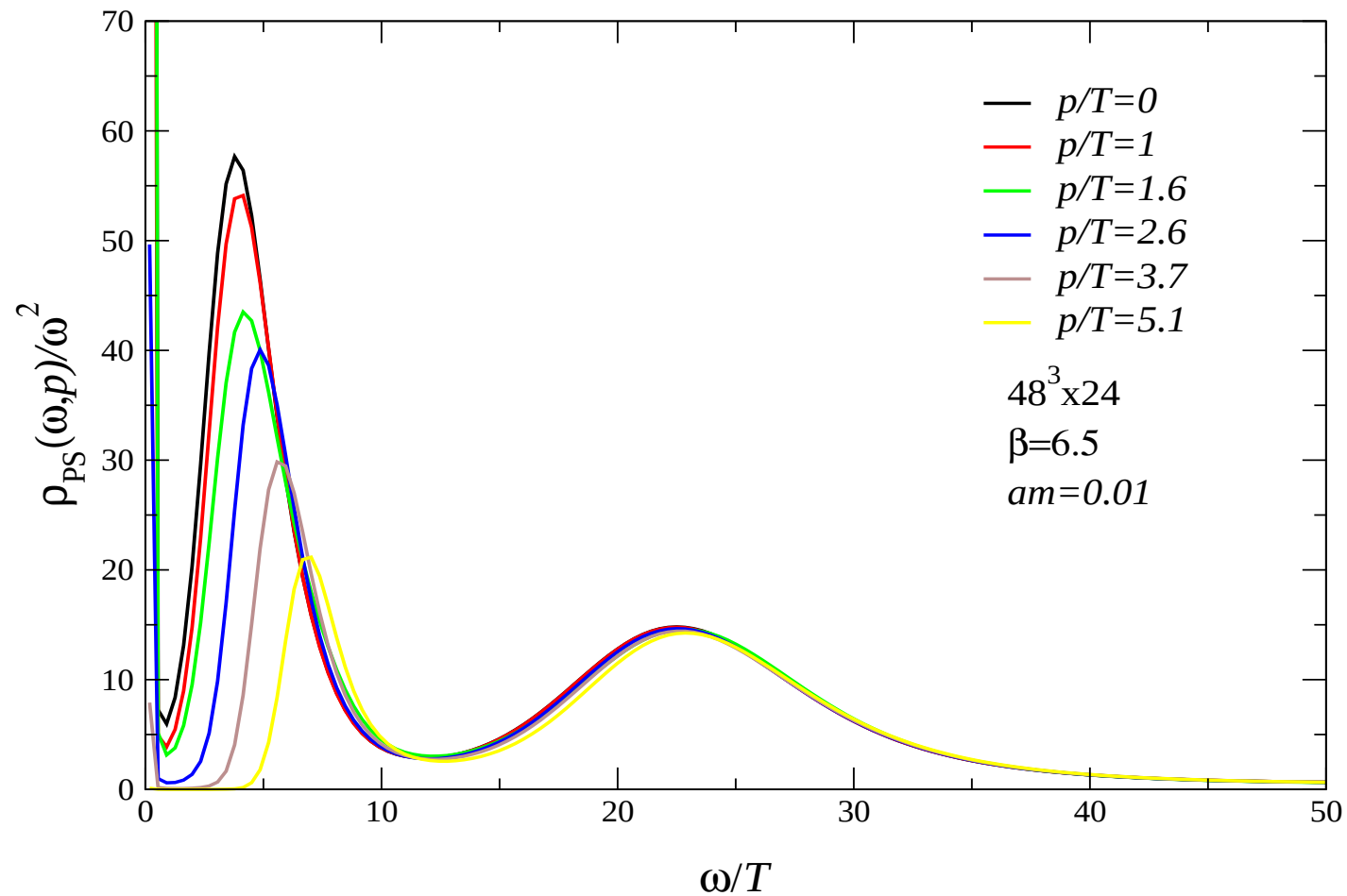
→ Have to fit to even & odd times separately, then use

$$\rho^{\text{phys}} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \rho^{\text{even}} + \rho^{\text{odd}} \right)$$



# MEM results below $T_c$ (Swansea)

Momentum dependence of spectral function (below  $T_c$ )



→ Can see it moving



# Electrical Conductivity

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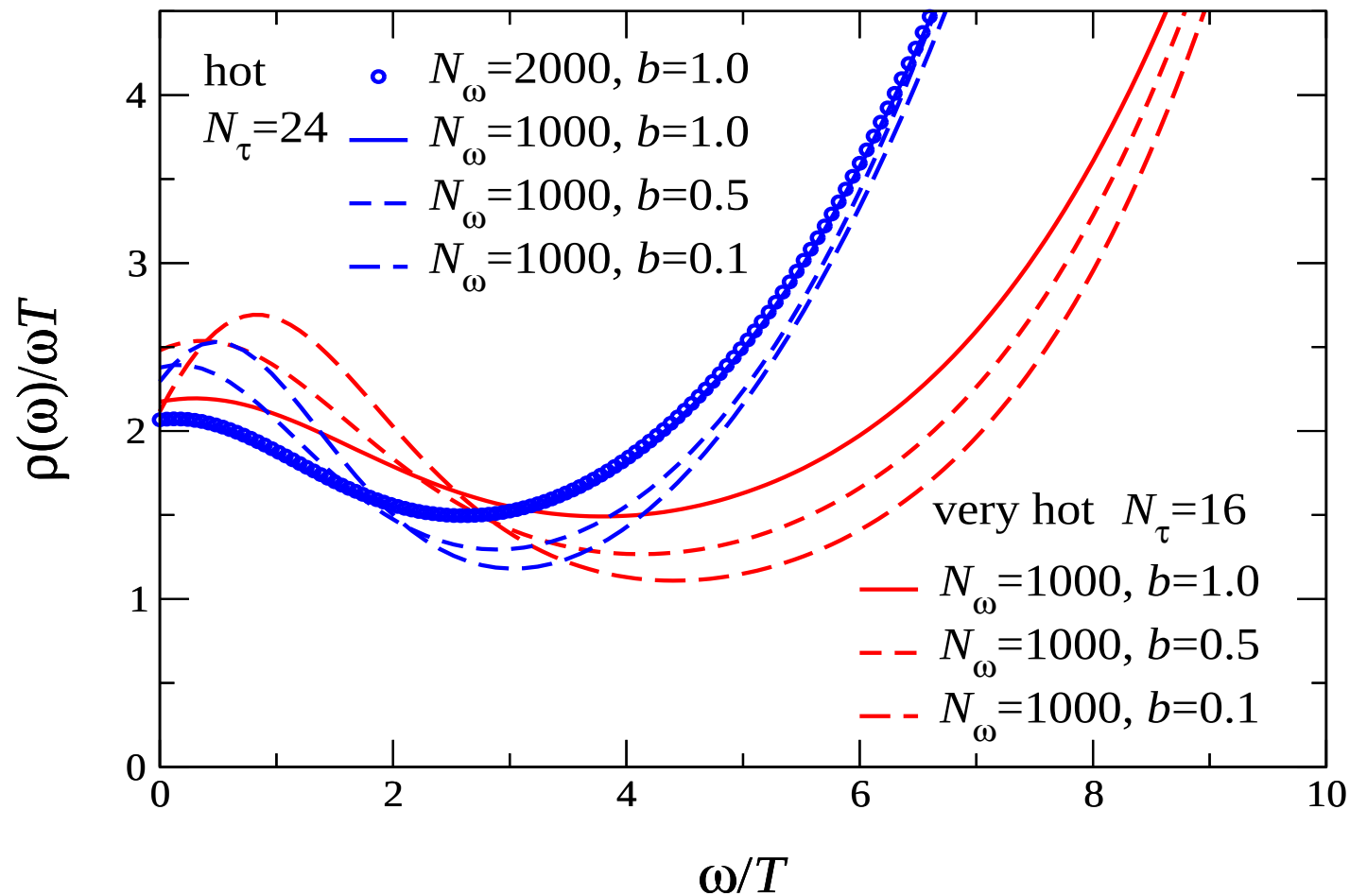
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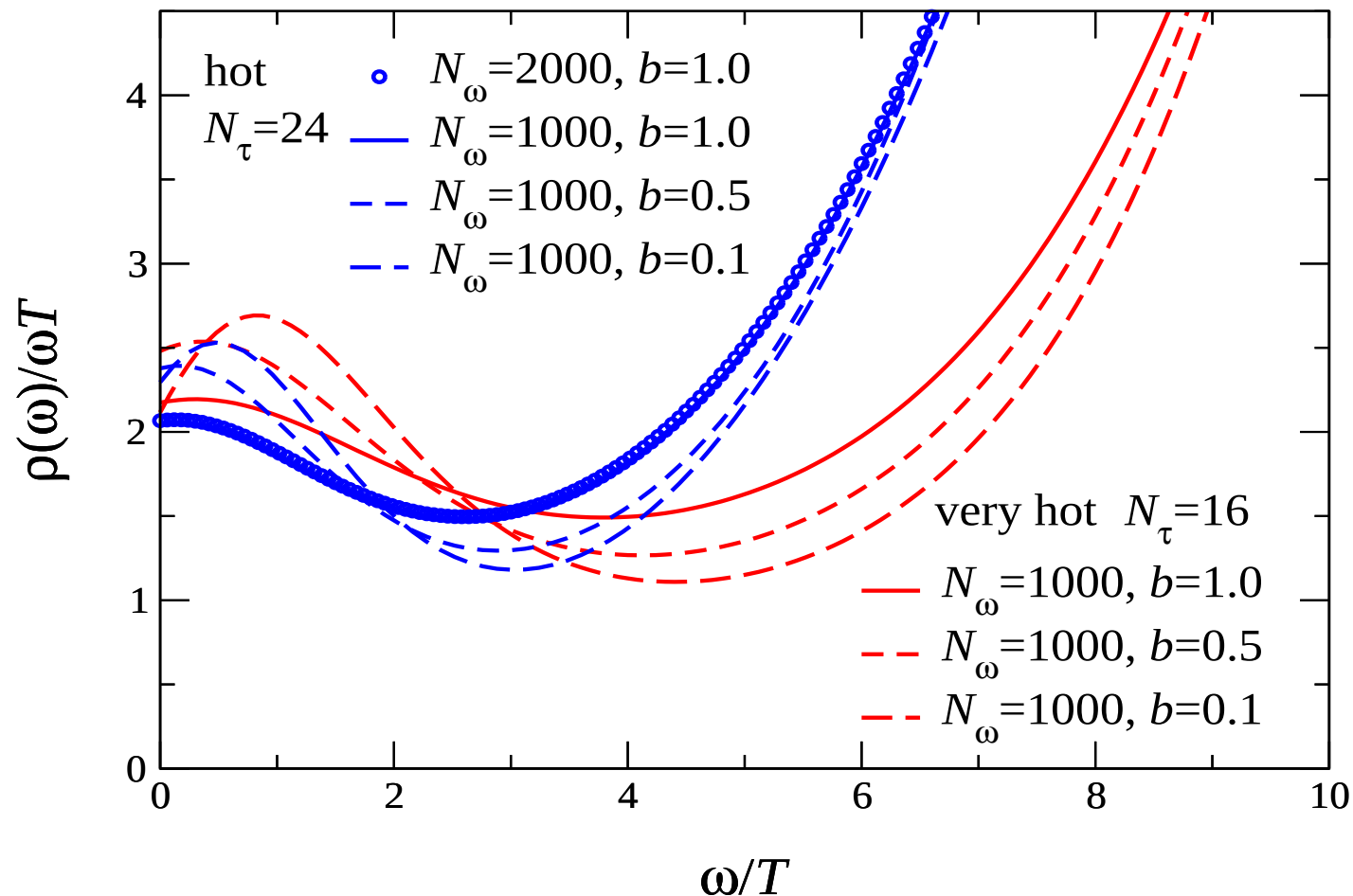
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→  $\sigma/T = 0.4 \pm 0.1$  Aarts, CRA, Foley & Hands

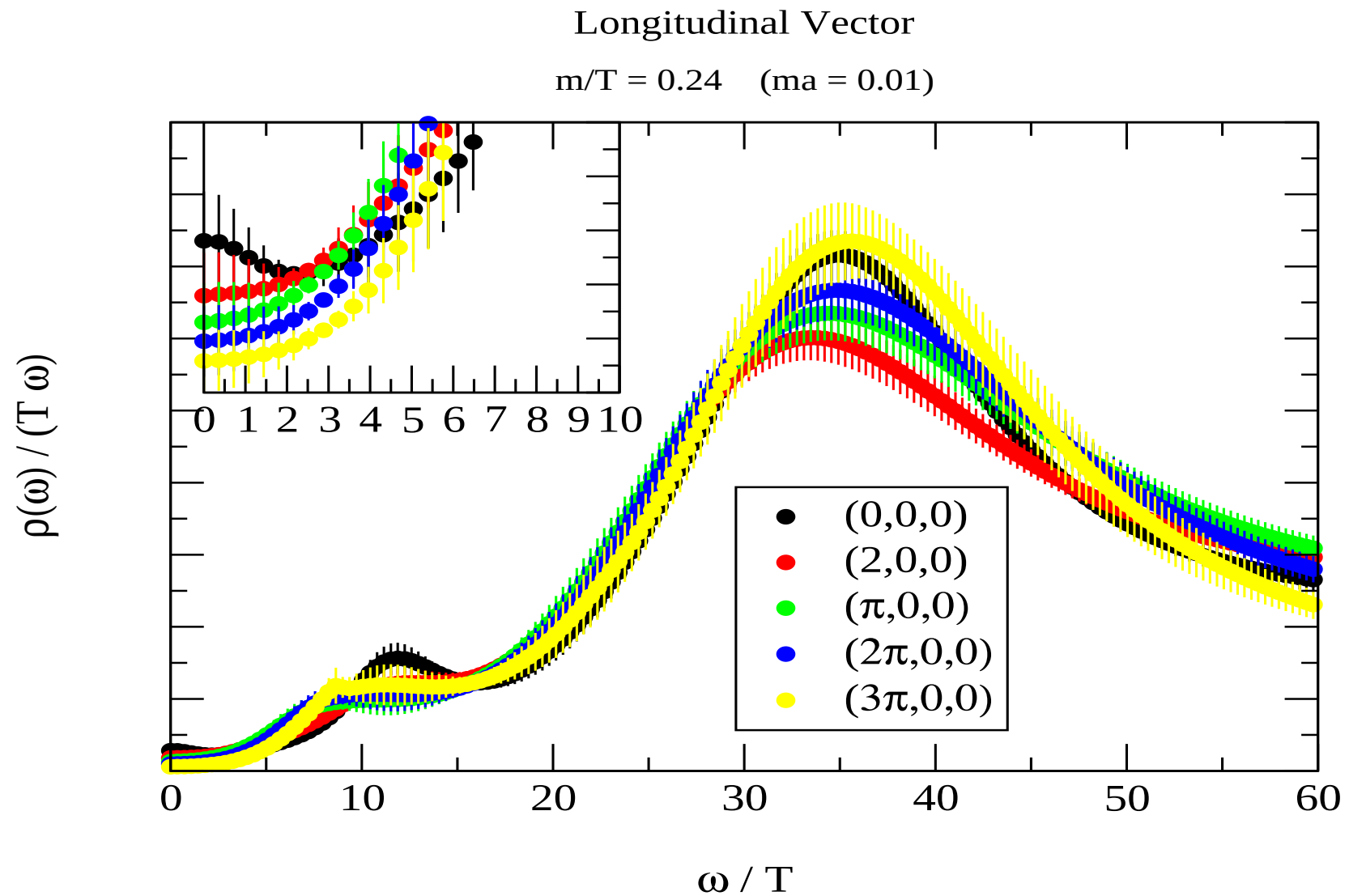


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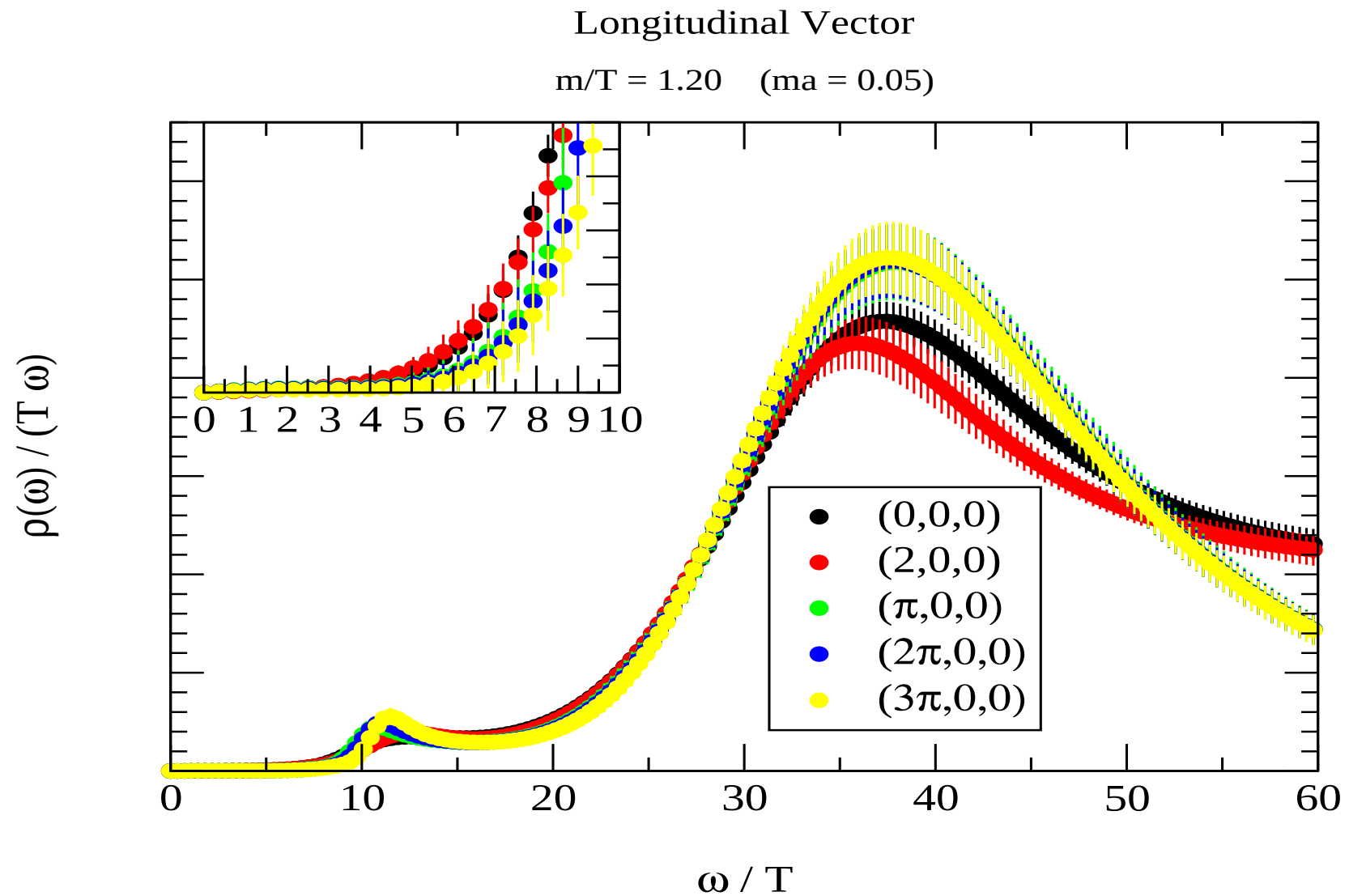
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$D$  obtained from the **momentum** dependency of  $\rho_{\text{Vector}}^{\text{Long}}$   
(at small mass)

# Diffusivity [Preliminary] $m/T = 0.24$ Hot



# Diffusivity [Preliminary] $m/T = 1.2$ Hot

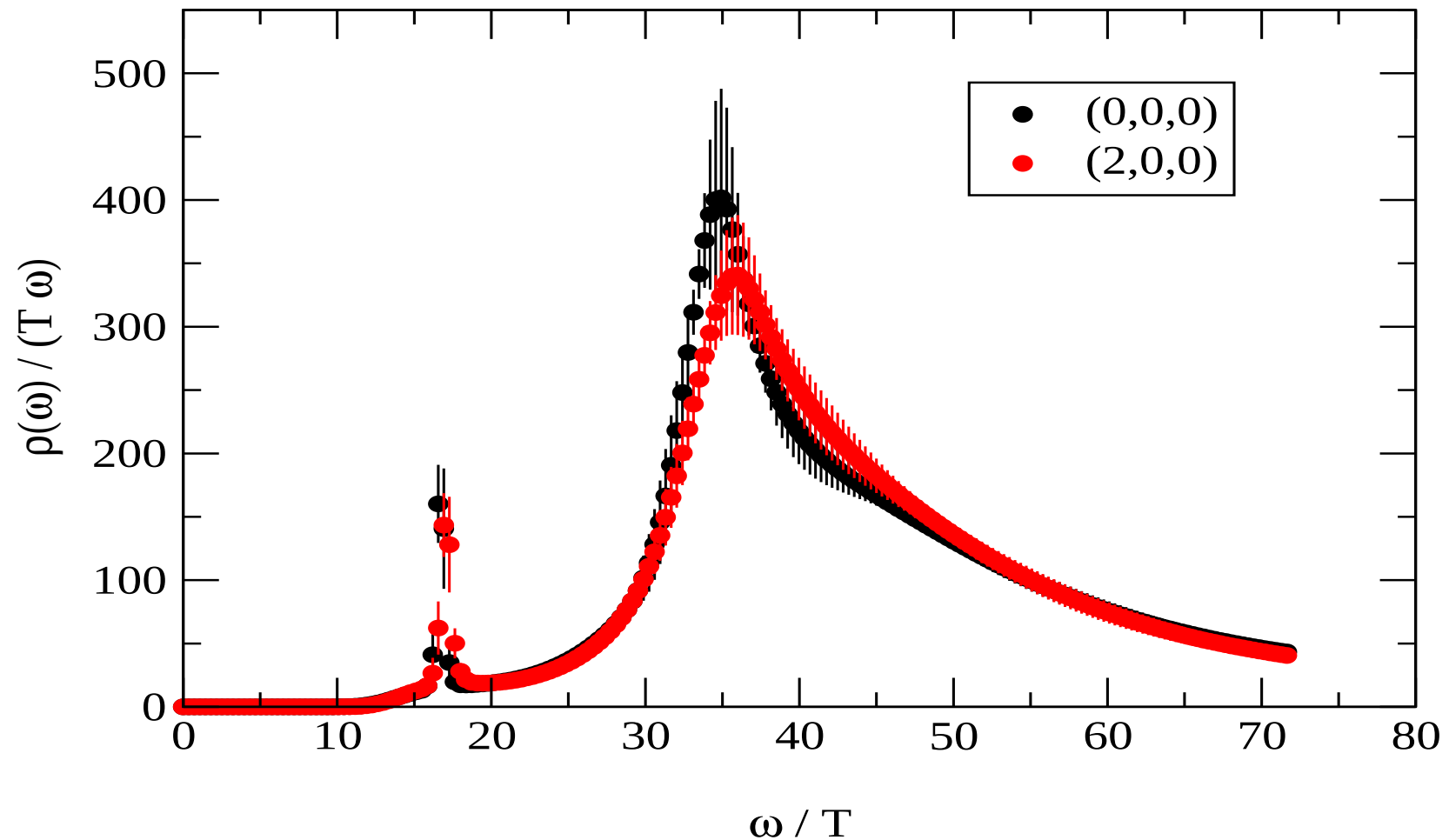


# Lack of Melting? [Preliminary]

$m/T = 3$  Hot

Longitudinal Vector

$m/T = 3$  (ma = 0.125)





# MEM Limitations

If the correlation function has a large dynamic range then there are numerical instabilities in MEM.

$$G(t) = \int \rho(\omega) K(t, \omega) d\omega$$

where

$$K(t, \omega) = \frac{\cosh[\omega(t - N_t/2)]}{\sinh[\omega/(2T)]}$$
$$\sim \exp[-\omega t]$$

i.e. it is *almost* a Laplace transform:

$$G(t) \sim \int \rho(\omega) e^{-\omega t} d\omega$$

# Convolution Rules

Aim is to get  $G(t)$  expressed as an exact Laplace transform, then can use convolution rules:

$$G(t) \times e^{+\Omega t} = \int \rho(\omega + \Omega) e^{-\omega t} d\omega$$

↑  
smaller  
dynamic  
range

# Possible Solution

$$\begin{aligned} G(t) &= e^{-Mt} + e^{-M(T-t)} \\ &= e^{-MT/2} (e^{-M(t-T/2)} + e^{M(t-T/2)}) \\ &= e^{-MT/2} (x^i + x^{-i}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $x = e^{-M(t-T/2)}$  and  $i = t - T/2$ .

Define

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}(t) &= e^{-MT/2} (x + x^{-1})^i \\ &= e^{-MT/2} \sum_{j=0}^i {}^iC_j x^{2j-i} \\ &= e^{-MT/2} \sum_{j=0}^{[i/2]} {}^iC_j (x^{2j-i} + x^{i-2j}) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{[i/2]} {}^iC_j G(2j - i) \end{aligned}$$

# Possible Solution contd.

We can now write  $x + x^{-1} \equiv e^y \longrightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{G}(t) &= e^{-MT/2}(x + x^{-1})^i \\ &= e^{-MT/2}e^{yi} \\ &\equiv \text{linear combination of } G(t)\end{aligned}$$

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i.e. by defining a linear combination of  $G(t)$  correlators, the lattice kernel is transposed into a pure exponential.

→ Laplace Transform Convolution Rule is now viable

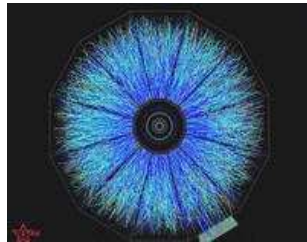
# SUMMARY

## Continuum

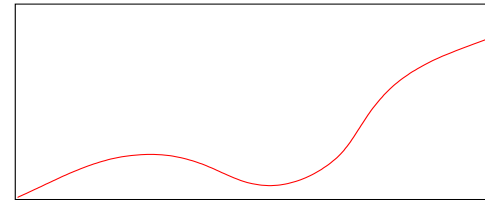
## Lattice

$T \neq 0$

Extreme QCD

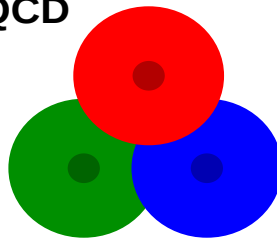


Spectral F's



$T = 0$

Ordinary QCD



Bound States





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