

# Entropy shifts and Missing States

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## Excited Hyperons in QCD Thermodynamics at Freeze-Out

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# Outline

- The Hadron Spectrum at zero temperature
- Quarks and gluons at finite temperature
- Quark Hadron duality at finite temperature
- Entropy shifts
- Anatomy of Hadron Resonance Gas
- Conclusions
- References

# To count or not to count

- The best way to look for missing states is to count them

1, 2, 3 ...

- Thermodynamics is a way of counting
- The partition function of QCD counts

$$Z_{\text{QCD}} = \sum_n e^{-E_n/T} \quad H_{\text{QCD}}\psi_n = E_n\psi_n$$

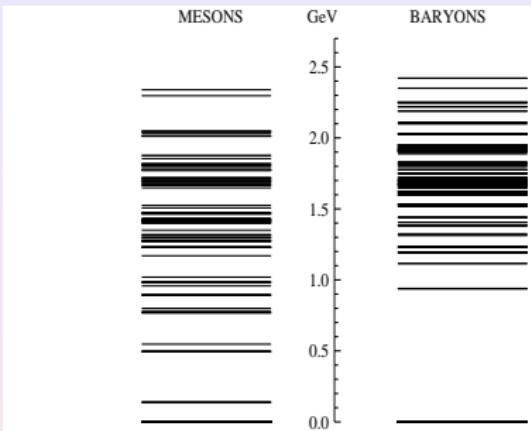
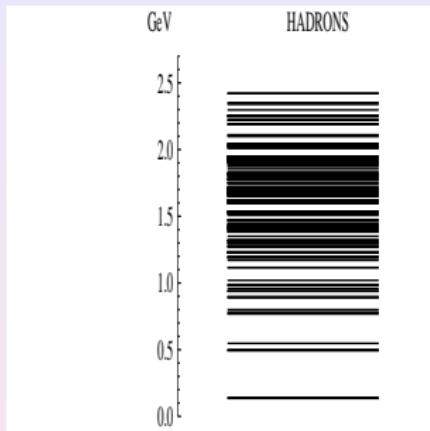
- Spectrum of QCD  $\rightarrow$  Thermodynamics
- Colour singlet states (hadrons + ....???)
- Do we see quark-gluon substructure BELOW the “phase transition” ?
- Completeness relation in Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}_{\text{QCQ}}$

$$1 = \sum_n |\Psi_n\rangle\langle\Psi_n| \approx \underbrace{\sum_n |\bar{q}q; n\rangle\langle\bar{q}q; n|}_{\text{mesons}} + \underbrace{\sum_n |qqq; n\rangle\langle qqq; n|}_{\text{baryons}} + \underbrace{\sum_n |\bar{q}qg; n\rangle\langle\bar{q}qg; n|}_{\text{hybrids}} + \dots$$

- Given  $H$ , is there a sum rule involving ALL resonances ?.

# HADRONIC SPECTRUM AT ZERO TEMPERATURE

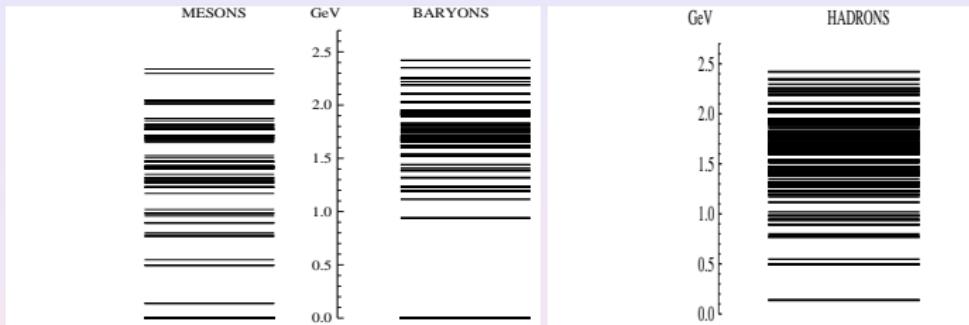
# The states in the Particle Data Group (PDG) book



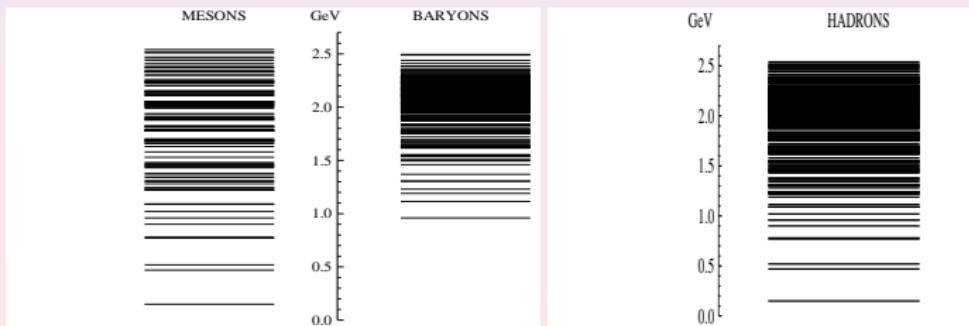
- No data (is a compilation)
- No particles (resonances)
- No book
- Which particles enter PDG ?

# Hadron Spectrum (u,d,s)

- Particle Data Group (PDG) compilation 2016



- Relativized Quark Model (RQM) Isgur, Godfrey, Capstick, 1985

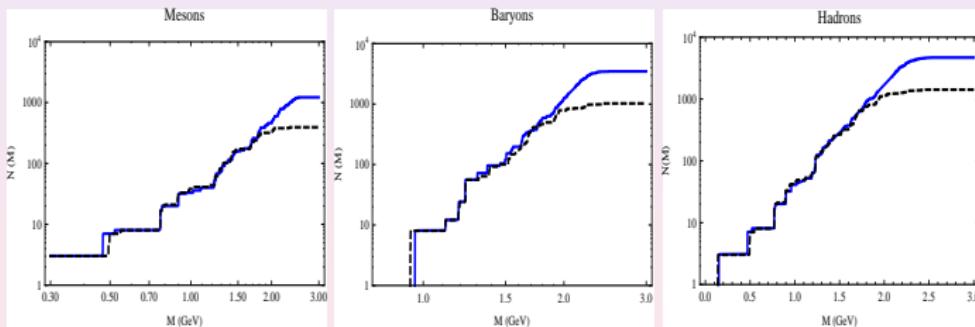


# Cumulative number of states

- Compare  $H_{\text{QCD}}$ ,  $H_{\text{PDG}}$ ,  $H_{\text{RQM}}$  with staircase function

$$N(M) = \sum_n \theta(M - M_n)$$

- Which states count ?
- Is  $N_{\text{QCD}}(M)$  accessible ?



$$N_{q\bar{q}} \sim M^6$$

$$N_{qqq} \sim M^{12}$$

$$N_{\bar{q}q\bar{q}q} \sim M^{18}$$

$$N_{\text{hadrons}} \sim e^{M/T_H}$$

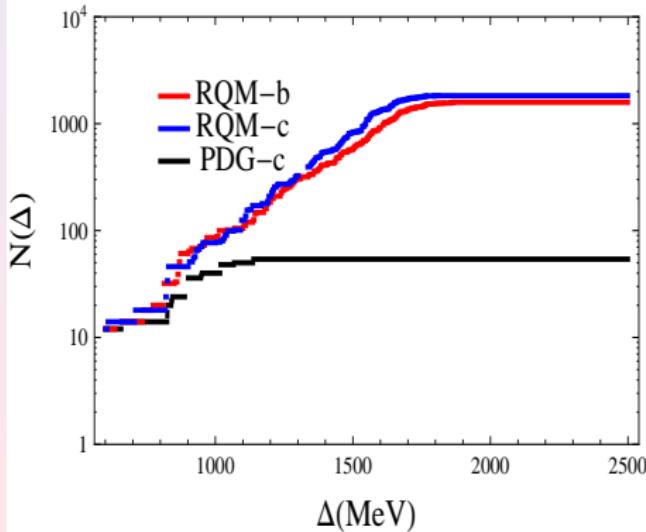
$T_H \sim 150 \text{ MeV} = \text{Hagedorn temperature}$

# Spectrum with one heavy quark

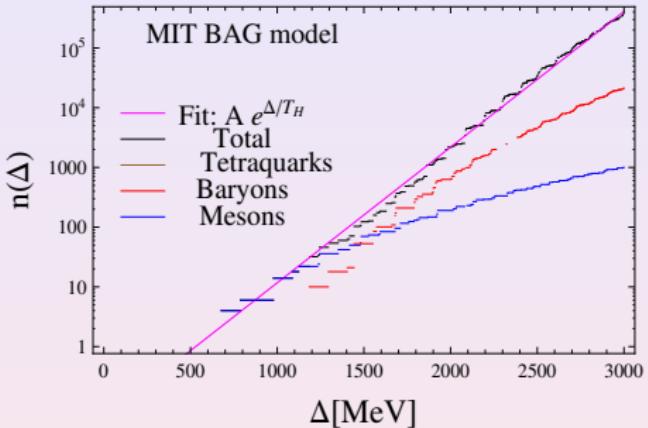
- $T_H$  Hagedorn temperature for hadrons with ONE heavy quark

$$N(\Delta) = \sum_n \theta(\Delta - \Delta_n) \sim N_{\bar{q}Q}(\Delta) + N_{Q\bar{q}}(\Delta) + \dots \sim e^{\Delta/T_H}$$

- Missing states !!.

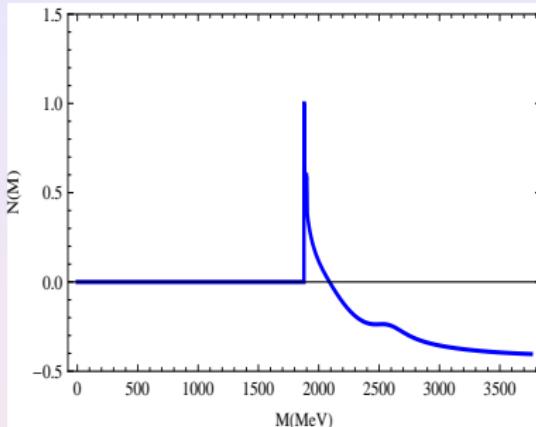


# Hagedorn and The bootstrap



- Which are the complete set of states in the PDG ?
- Should X,Y,Z's or the deuteron or  ${}^{208}\text{Pb}$  enter as multiquark states ?

# Who counts ?



- The cumulative number in a given channel in the continuum with threshold  $M_{\text{th}}$

$$N(M) = \sum_n \theta(M - M_n) + [\delta(M) - \delta(M_{\text{th}})]/\pi$$

- Levinson's theorem

$$N(\infty) = n_B + [\delta(\infty) - \delta(M_{\text{th}})]/\pi = 0$$

- Deuteron doesn't count

# Quark-Hadron duality at zero temperature

- In the confined phase we expect all observables to be represented by hadronic degrees of freedom.

## ① Gell-Mann–Oakes–Renner relation

$$2 \underbrace{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle m_q}_{\text{quarks}} = - \underbrace{f_\pi^2 m_\pi^2}_{\text{hadrons}}, \quad (1)$$

- ② Transition form factor of the pion
- ③ Effective Chiral lagrangians with resonances
- ④ Deep inelastic scattering
- Are hadrons a complete set of states ?
- Is the PDG complete or overcomplete ?
- The “phase transition” is a smooth cross-over, so we expect to see departures from quark-hadron duality below  $T_c$

# QUARKS AND GLUONS AT FINITE TEMPERATURE

# QCD at finite temperature

QCD Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\mu\nu}^a + \sum_f \bar{q}_f^a (i\gamma_\mu D_\mu - m_f) q_f^a ;$$

Partition function

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\text{QCD}} &= \text{Tr} e^{-H/T} = \sum_n e^{-E_n/T} \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}A_{\mu,a} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{4} \int d^4x (G_{\mu\nu}^a)^2 \right] \text{Det}(i\gamma_\mu D_\mu - m_f) \end{aligned}$$

Boundary conditions and Matsubara frequencies

$$q(\vec{x}, \beta) = -q(\vec{x}, 0) \quad A_\mu(\vec{x}, \beta) = A_\mu(\vec{x}, 0) \quad \beta = 1/T$$

$$\int \frac{dp_0}{2\pi} f(p_0) \rightarrow T \sum_n f(w_n)$$

$$w_n = (2n+1)\pi T \quad w_n = 2n\pi T$$

# Thermodynamic relations

- Statistical mechanics of non-interacting particles

$$\log Z = V \eta g_i \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \log \left[ 1 + \eta e^{-E_p/T} \right] \quad E_p = \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}$$

$\eta = -1$  for bosons ;  $\eta = +1$  for fermions ;  $g_i$ -number of species

$$\begin{aligned} F &= -T \log Z & P &= -T \frac{\partial F}{\partial V} \\ S &= -\frac{\partial(TF)}{\partial T} & E &= F + TS \end{aligned}$$

- High temperature limit  $\rightarrow$  Free gas of gluons and quarks

$$P = \left[ 2(N_c^2 - 1) + 4N_c N_f \frac{7}{8} \right] \frac{\pi^2}{90} T^4$$

Interaction measure (trace anomaly)

$$\Delta \equiv \frac{\epsilon - 3P}{T^4} \rightarrow 0 \quad (T \rightarrow \infty)$$

# Symmetries in QCD

Colour gauge invariance

$$q(x) \rightarrow e^{i \sum_a (\lambda_a)^c \alpha_a(x)} q(x) \equiv g(x) q(x)$$
$$A_\mu^g(x) = g^{-1}(x) \partial_\mu g(x) + g^{-1}(x) A_\mu(x) g(x)$$

Only **periodic gauge transformations** are allowed:

$$g(\vec{x}, x_0 + \beta) = g(\vec{x}, x_0), \quad \beta = 1/T.$$

In the static gauge  $\partial_0 A_0 = 0$

$$g(x_0) = e^{i 2\pi x_0 \lambda / \beta}, \quad \text{where} \quad \lambda = \text{diag}(n_1, \dots, n_{N_c}), \quad \text{Tr} \lambda = 0.$$

**Large Gauge Invariance:**  $\Rightarrow$  periodicity in  $A_0$  with period  $2\pi/\beta$

$$A_0 \rightarrow A_0 + 2\pi T \text{diag}(n_j) \quad \text{Gribov copies}$$

**Explicitly Broken in perturbation theory** (non-perturbative finite temperature gluons)

# Symmetries in QCD

In the limit of massless quarks ( $m_f = 0$ ),

- Invariant under scale

$$(\mathbf{x} \longrightarrow \lambda \mathbf{x})$$

Broken by quantum corrections regularization (Trace anomaly)

$$\epsilon - 3p = \frac{\beta(g)}{2g} \langle (G_{\mu\nu}^a)^2 \rangle \neq 0,$$

- Chiral Left  $\leftrightarrow$  Right transformations.

$$q(x) \rightarrow e^{i \sum_a (\lambda_a)^f \alpha_a} q(x) \quad q(x) \rightarrow e^{i \sum_a (\lambda_a)^f \alpha_a \gamma_5} q(x)$$

Broken by chiral condensate in the vacuum

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \neq 0$$

# Symmetries in QCD

Gluodynamics: In the limit of heavy quarks ( $m_f \rightarrow \infty$ )

$$Z \rightarrow \int \mathcal{D}A_{\mu,a} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{4} \int d^4x (G_{\mu\nu}^a)^2 \right] \text{Det}(-m_f)$$

Larger symmetry ('t Hooft) Center Symmetry  $\mathbb{Z}(N_c)$

$$g(\vec{x}, x_0 + \beta) = z g(\vec{x}, x_0), \quad z^{N_c} = 1, \quad (z \in \mathbb{Z}(N_c)).$$

$$g(x_0) = e^{i2\pi x_0 \lambda / (N_c \beta)}, \quad A_0 \rightarrow A_0 + \frac{2\pi T}{N_c} \text{diag}(\eta_j)$$

The Poyakov loop

$$L_T = \frac{1}{N_c} \langle \text{tr}_c e^{iA_0/T} \rangle = e^{-F_q/T} = e^{i2\pi/N_c} L_T = 0$$

$F_q = \infty$  means CONFINEMENT

At high temperatures  $A_0/T \ll 1$

$$L_T = 1 - \frac{\langle \text{tr}_c A_0^2 \rangle}{2N_c T^2} + \dots = e^{-\frac{\langle \text{tr}_c A_0^2 \rangle}{2N_c T^2}} + \dots$$

In full QCD  $L_T = \mathcal{O}(e^{-m_q/T}) \neq 0$  Large Violation of center sym.

# Lattice results in full QCD

The chiral-deconfinement cross over is a unique prediction of lattice QCD

- Order parameter of chiral symmetry breaking ( $m_q = 0$ )  
Quark condensate  $SU(N_f) \otimes SU(N_f) \rightarrow SU_V(N_f)$

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \neq 0 \quad T < T_c \quad \langle \bar{q}q \rangle = 0 \quad T > T_c$$

- Order parameter of deconfinement ( $m_q = \infty$ )  
Polyakov loop: Center symmetry  $Z(N_c)$  broken

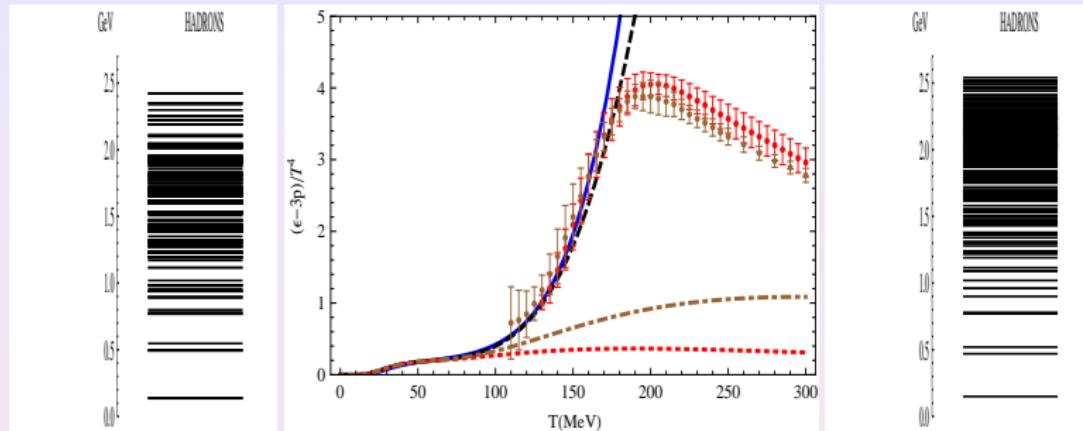
$$L_T = \frac{1}{N_c} \langle \text{tr}_c e^{iA_0/T} \rangle = 0 \quad T < T_c \quad L_T = \frac{1}{N_c} \langle \text{tr}_c e^{iA_0/T} \rangle = 1 \quad T > T_c$$

- In the real world  $m_q$  is finite. The chiral-deconfinement crossover (connected) crossed correlator (never computed on lattice),

$$\langle \bar{q}q \text{tr}_c e^{igA_0/T} \rangle - \langle \bar{q}q \rangle \langle \text{tr}_c e^{igA_0/T} \rangle = \frac{\partial L_T}{\partial m_q}, \quad (2)$$

# QUARK-HADRON DUALITY AT FINITE TEMPERATURE

# QCD Spectrum and Trace anomaly



- PDG is thermodynamically equivalent to RQM !!

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{HRG}}(T) \equiv \frac{\epsilon - 3P}{T^4} = \frac{1}{T^4} \sum_n \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{E_n(p) - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_p E_n(p)}{e^{E_n(p)/T} + \eta_n},$$
$$E_n(p) = \sqrt{p^2 + M_n^2} \quad \eta_n = \pm 1$$

- Non-interacting Hadron-Resonance Gas works for  $T < 0.8T_c$
- Spectrum  $\rightarrow$  Thermodynamics

# Fluctuations of conserved charges

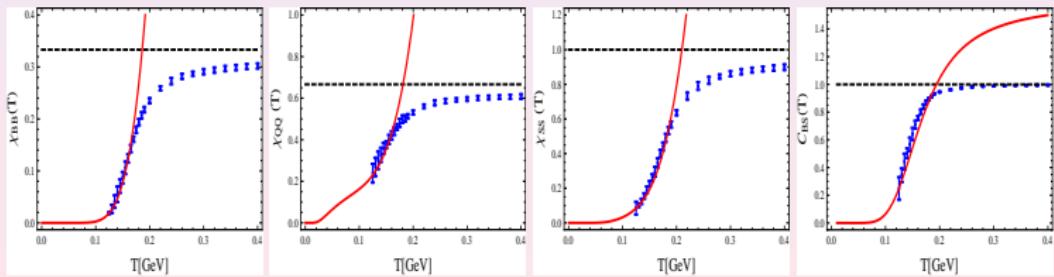
- Conserved charges

$$\langle N_B \rangle_T = 0 \quad \langle N_Q \rangle_T = 0 \quad \langle N_S \rangle_T = 0$$

- Vacuum Fluctuations

$$\chi_{BB}(T) = \langle N_B^2 \rangle_T \rightarrow \frac{1}{N_c} \quad \chi_{QQ}(T) = \langle N_Q^2 \rangle_T \rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} q_i^2$$

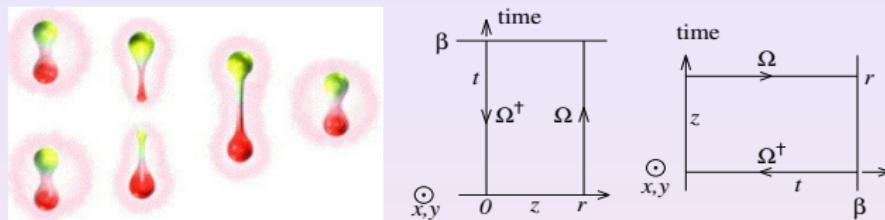
$$\chi_{SS}(T) = \langle N_S^2 \rangle_T \rightarrow 1 \quad C_{BS}(T) = -3 \frac{\langle N_S N_B \rangle_T}{\langle N_S^2 \rangle_T} \rightarrow 1$$



- $C_{BS}^{\text{PDG}} < C_{BS}^{\text{QCD}}$  (Missing states ?, Significant ?)

# Spectral representation

- Two conjugate sources are placed in the medium at temperature  $T$  and a separation distance  $r$  generate a Free energy shift



$$e^{-\Delta F(r, T)} = \langle \text{tr}_R \Omega(r) \text{tr}_{\bar{R}} \Omega(0) \rangle_T$$

- Standard representation (ratio of partition functions)

$$e^{-\Delta F(r, T)} = \frac{Z_{R \otimes \bar{R}}(r, T)}{Z_0(T)} = \frac{\sum_n e^{-E_n^{R \otimes \bar{R}}(r)/T}}{\sum_n e^{-E_n^0(r)/T}}$$

- Spectral r-representation

$$e^{-\Delta F(r, T)} = \sum_n |\langle n, T | \text{Tr}_R \Omega^\dagger | 0, T \rangle|^2 e^{-rw_n(T)}$$

- Inequalities

$$\partial_r \Delta F(r, T) \geq 0 \quad \partial_r^2 \Delta F(r, T) \leq 0$$

# Double heavy hadron spectrum and correlators

- String breaking for the  $\bar{Q}Q \rightarrow \bar{B}B$  (level crossing)

$$M_{\bar{Q}Q}(r_c) = V_{Q\bar{Q}}(r_c) + m_{\bar{Q}} + m_Q = M_{\bar{B}} + M_B ,$$

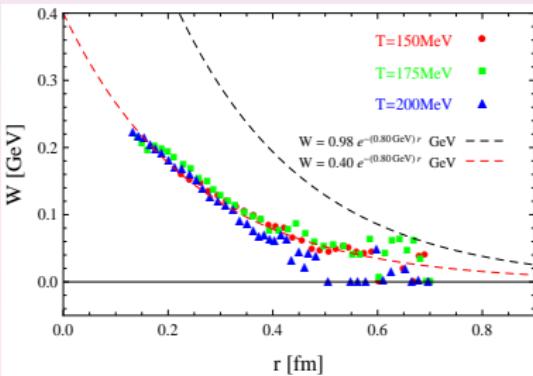
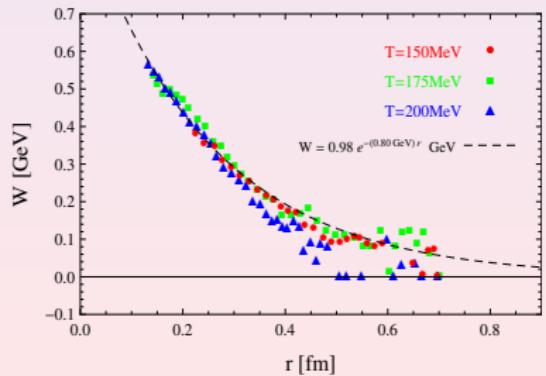
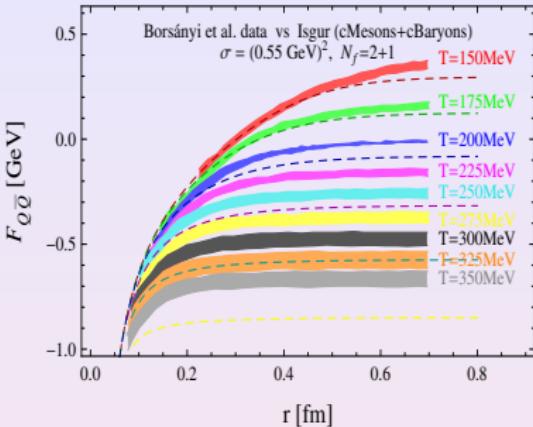
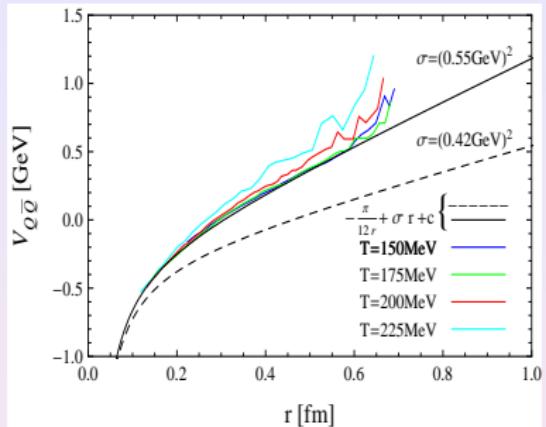
- No mixing

$$e^{-\Delta F(r,T)/T} = e^{-V_Q(r)/T} + \left( \sum_n e^{-\Delta_H^{(n)}/T} \right)^2$$

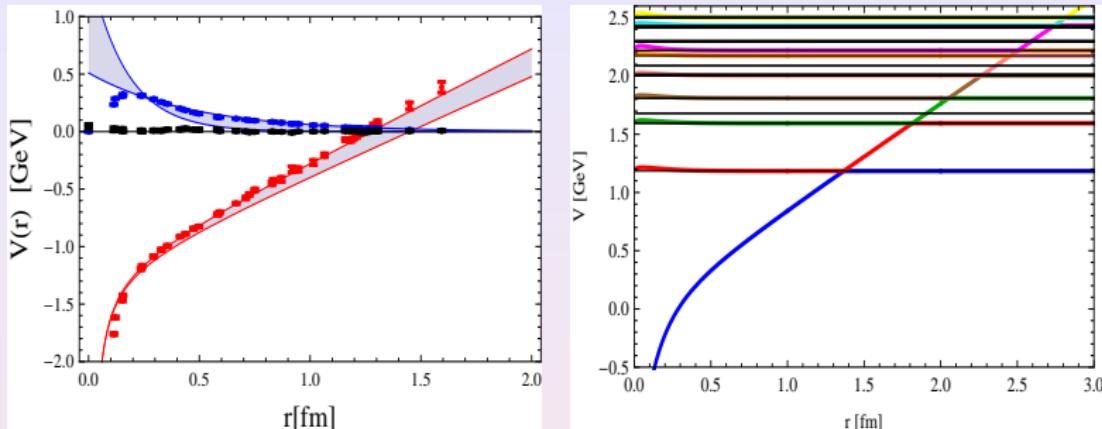
- Two modes model

$$V(r) = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4\alpha}{3r} + \sigma r & W(r) & & \\ W(r) & 2\Delta & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}, \quad W(r) = g e^{-mr}$$

# Free energies



# Avoided crossing from thermodynamics



- String tension is only defined in Quenched Approximation
- String breaks. How determine string tension ?
- Using thermodynamics WITH mixing

$$\sqrt{\sigma} = 0.424(14)\text{GeV}, \quad g = 0.98(47)\text{GeV}m = 0.80(38)$$

- Spectral representation → Quantum phase transition AT ZERO TEMPERATURE and complex string tension as a pole in the second Riemann sheet

# ENTROPY SHIFTS

# Thermodynamic shifts

- Add one extra heavy charge belonging to rep  $R$  to the vacuum
- Energy of the states changes under the presence of the charge

$$E_n \rightarrow E_n^R \rightarrow \Delta_n^R + m_R + \dots$$

- In the static gauge  $\partial_0 A_0 = 0$  the Polyakov loop operator

$$\text{tr} \Omega(\vec{r}) = \text{tr} e^{iA_0(\vec{r})/T}$$

- The ratio of partition functions  $\rightarrow$  Free energy shift

$$\langle \text{tr} e^{iA_0/T} \rangle = \frac{Z_R}{Z_0} = e^{-\Delta F_R/T} = \frac{\sum_n e^{-\Delta_n/T}}{1 + \dots}$$

# Counting states (Hagedorn-Polyakov temperature)

$$N(\Delta) = \sum_n \theta(\Delta - \Delta_n) \sim e^{\Delta/T_{H,L}} \rightarrow L(T) \sim \int N'(\Delta) e^{-\Delta/T} d\Delta$$

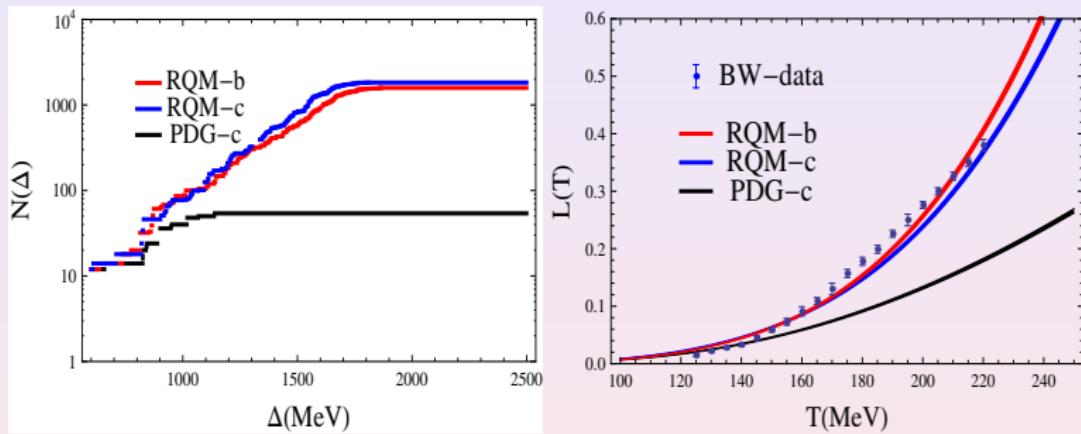


Figure: Left:  $N(\Delta)$  as a function of the  $c$ -quark and  $b$ -quark mass subtracted hadron mass  $\Delta = M - m_Q$  (in MeV) with  $u, d$  and  $s$  quarks, computed in the RQM vs PDG. Right: Polyakov loop as a function of temperature (in MeV).

- Polyakov loop ambiguity removed by entropy shift

$$\langle \text{tr} \Omega(0) \rangle_T = e^{-F_Q(T)/T} \rightarrow \Delta S_Q(T) = -\partial_T F_Q(T)$$

- Third principle of thermodynamics for degenerate states

$$\Delta S_Q(0) = \log(2N_f), \quad \Delta S_Q(\infty) = \log N_c$$

- RGE equation for specific heat

$$\Delta c_Q = T \frac{\partial S_Q}{\partial T} = \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left\{ T \int d^4x \left[ \frac{\langle \text{tr} \Omega \Theta(x) \rangle}{\langle \text{tr} \Omega \rangle} - \langle \Theta(x) \rangle \right] \right\} \equiv \frac{\partial U_Q}{\partial T}$$

- Energy momentum tensor

$$0 = \mu \frac{dS_Q}{d\mu} = \beta(g) \frac{\partial S_Q}{\partial g} - \sum_q m_q (1 + \gamma_q) \frac{\partial S_Q}{\partial m_q} - T \frac{\partial S_Q}{\partial T}$$

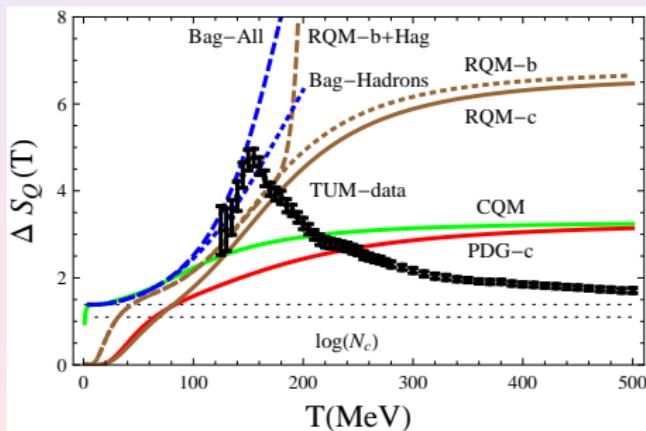
- Entropy shift IS NOT a true entropy  $c = T \partial_T S = (\Delta H)^2 / T^2 > 0$

# From Hadron resonance gas ...

- TUM collaboration  $125 < T < 6000 \text{ MeV}$
- Constituent Quark Model  $M = 300 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $m_u = 2.5 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $m_d = 5 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $m_s = 95 \text{ MeV}$ .

$$L = \sum_{q=u,d,s} g_q e^{-M_{\bar{Q}q}/T} + \sum_{q,q'=u,d,s} g_{q,q'} e^{-M_{\bar{Q}qq'}/T} + \dots$$

- All- $(Q\bar{q}, Qqq \text{ and } Q\bar{q}g)$  Hadron spectrum (missing states !!)



# ... to Power corrections

- Dim-2 condensates

$$\langle \text{tr}(e^{iA_0 T}) \rangle \sim N_c \exp \left[ -g^2 \frac{\langle (A_0^a)^2 \rangle}{4N_c T^2} \right] \rightarrow$$
$$S_Q(T) = \frac{\langle \text{tr}(\bar{A}_0^2) \rangle^{\text{NP}}}{2N_c T^2} + S_{\text{pert}}(T) + \log(N_c)$$

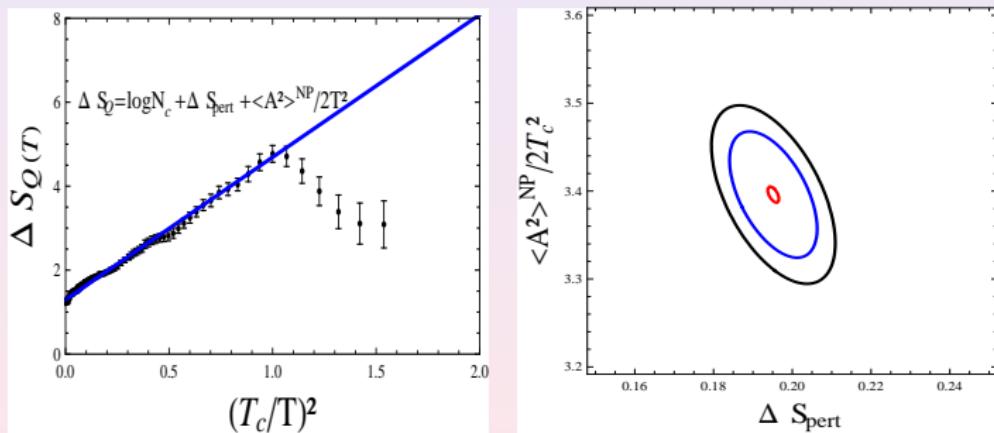


Figure: Left panel: TUM lattice data for the entropy as a function of the inverse squared temperature in units of the critical temperature.

# ANATOMY OF HADRON RESONANCE GAS

# Limitations of the Hadron resonance gas

In the HRG Hadrons are taken STABLE, POINT-LIKE AND ELEMENTARY

- Hadrons are composite
- Hadrons have a size
- Hadron Resonances have a finite width

# From chiral quark models to hadron resonance gas

- Use local Wilson line  $\Omega(x) = e^{igA_0(x)}$  as quantum variable
- Quantization of Multiquark states: Create/Anhiquilate a quark at point  $\vec{x}$  and momentum  $p$

$$\Omega(x)e^{-E_p/T} \quad \Omega(x)^+e^{-E_p/T}$$

- At low temperatures quark Boltzmann factor small  $e^{-E_p/T} < 1$ .  
The action becomes small

$$S_q[\Omega] = 2N_f \int \frac{d^3x d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[ \text{tr}_c \Omega(x) + \text{tr}_c \Omega(x)^+ \right] e^{-E_p/T} + \dots$$

$$Z = \int D\Omega e^{-S[\Omega]} = \int D\Omega \left( 1 - S[\Omega] + \frac{1}{2} S[\Omega]^2 + \dots \right)$$

- $\bar{q}q$  contribution

$$Z_{\bar{q}q} = (2N_f)^2 \int \frac{d^3x_1 d^3p_1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3x_2 d^3p_2}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-E_1/T} e^{-E_2/T} \underbrace{\langle \text{tr}_c \Omega(\vec{x}_1) \text{tr}_c \Omega^\dagger(\vec{x}_2) \rangle}_{e^{-\sigma|\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2|/T}}$$

$$= (2N_f)^2 \int \frac{d^3x_1 d^3p_1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3x_2 d^3p_2}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-H(x_1, p_1; x_2, p_2)/T}$$

$\bar{q}q$  Hamiltonian

$$H(x_1, p_1; x_2, p_2) = E_1 + E_2 + V_{12}.$$

- Quantization in the CM frame  $p_1 = -p_2 \equiv p$

$$\left( 2\sqrt{p^2 + M^2} + V_{q\bar{q}}(r) \right) \psi_n = M_n \psi_n.$$

- Boosting the CM to any frame with momentum  $P$

$$Z_{\bar{q}q} \rightarrow \sum_n \int \frac{d^3R d^3P}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-E_n(P)/T}$$

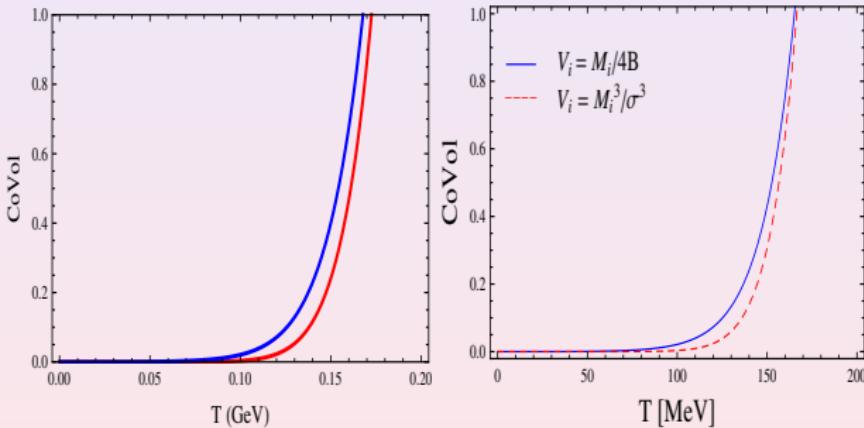
A GAS OF NON INTERACTING MESONS ! (valid to  $\bar{q}q\bar{q}q$ )

# Excluded Volume constraint

$$\sum_i V_i N_i \leq V \quad \sum_i V_i \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{g_i}{e^{E_i(p)/T} \pm 1} \leq 1$$

MIT bag model

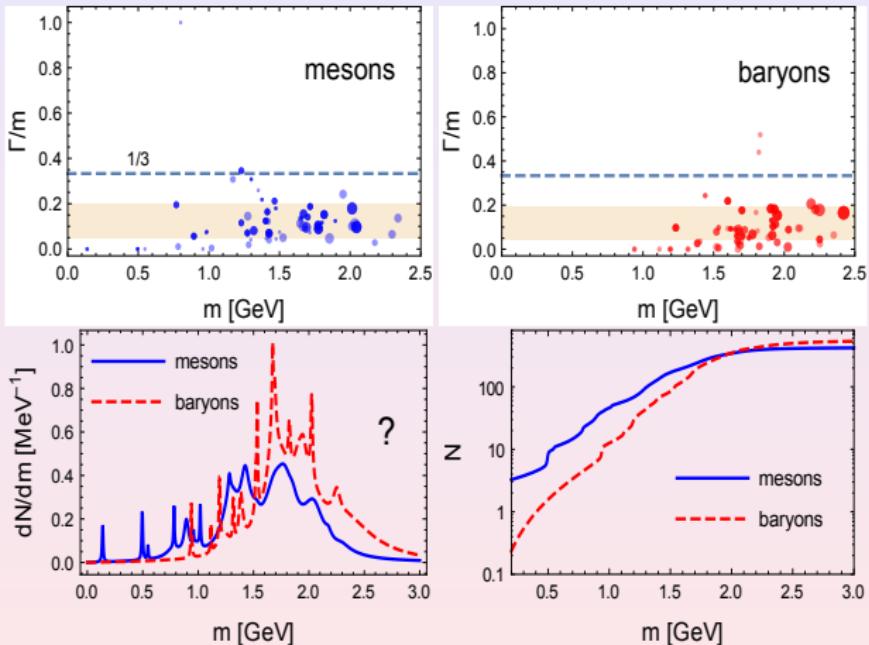
$$V_i = M_i/(4B) \quad B = (0.166 \text{ GeV})^4$$



When hadrons overlap, excluded volume corrections are important → percolation

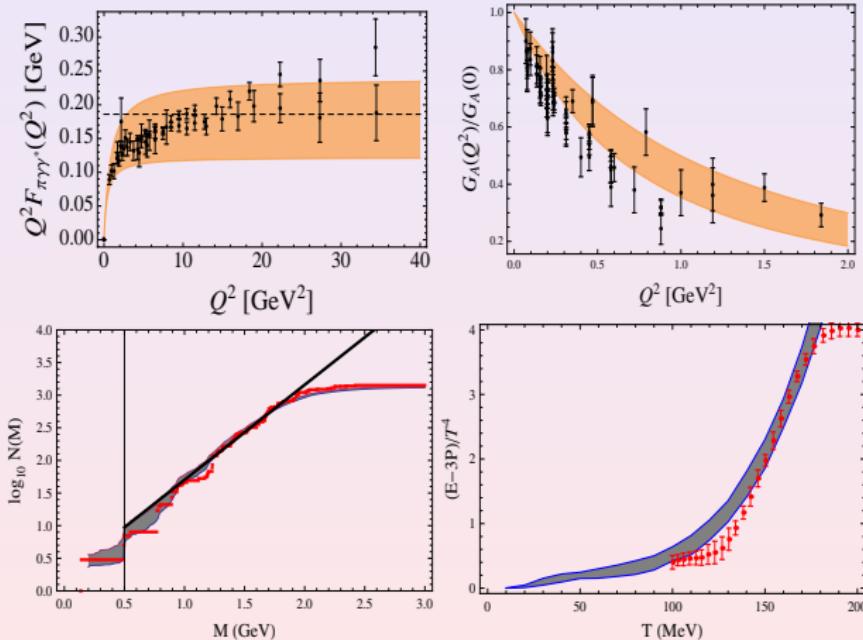
# Resonance spectrum and width

- Resonances have a *mass spectrum* (what is the mass?)



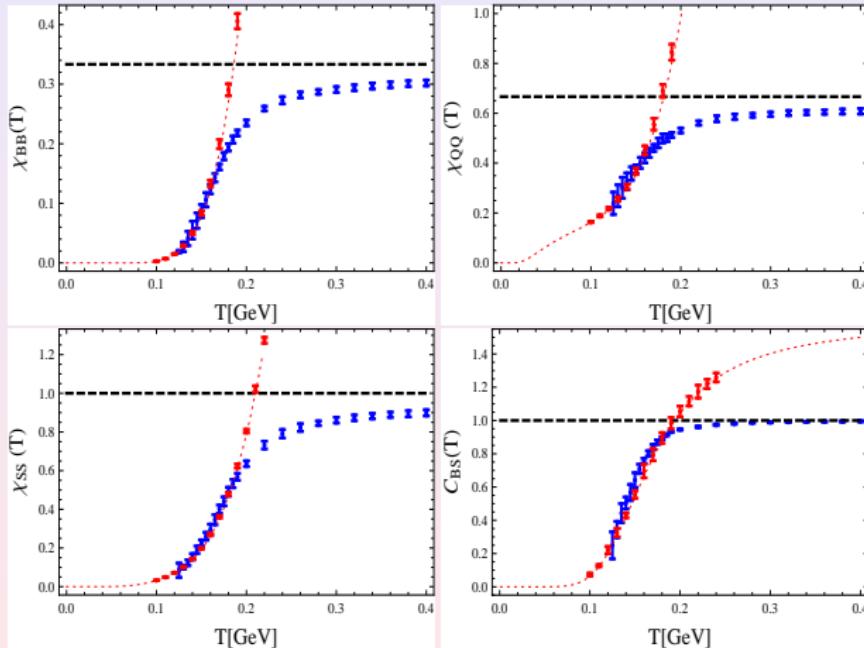
# Resonance spectrum and the half-width rule

- The **half-width rule**:  $\Delta M_R = \Gamma_R/2$  or  $\Delta M_R^2 = M_R \Gamma_R$
- Then take a RANDOM mass (error estimate)
- Hadronic Meson dominated form factors, ....



# Fluctuations of conserved charges

$$\chi_{AB}^{\text{PDG}} \pm \Delta\chi_{AB}^{\text{PDG}} \sim \chi_{AB}^{\text{QCD}} \pm \Delta\chi_{AB}^{\text{QCD}}$$



# CONCLUSIONS

# Conclusions:

- Quark Hadron Duality suggests that at low temperatures Hadrons can be considered as a complete basis of states in terms of a hadron resonance gas. The HRG works up to relatively large temperatures.
- PDG states incorporate currently just  $q\bar{q}$  or  $qqq$  states which fit into the quark model. What states are needed when approaching the crossover from below ?
- Saturating at subcritical temperatures requires many hadronic states, so the excited spectrum involves relativistic effects even for heavy quarks.
- Uncertainty estimates from the HRG may change our perception of what we understand by a missing states.
- Polyakov loops in fundamental and higher representations allow to deduce multiquark quark states, gluelumps etc. containing one or several heavy quark states. Clear hints for missing states.

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