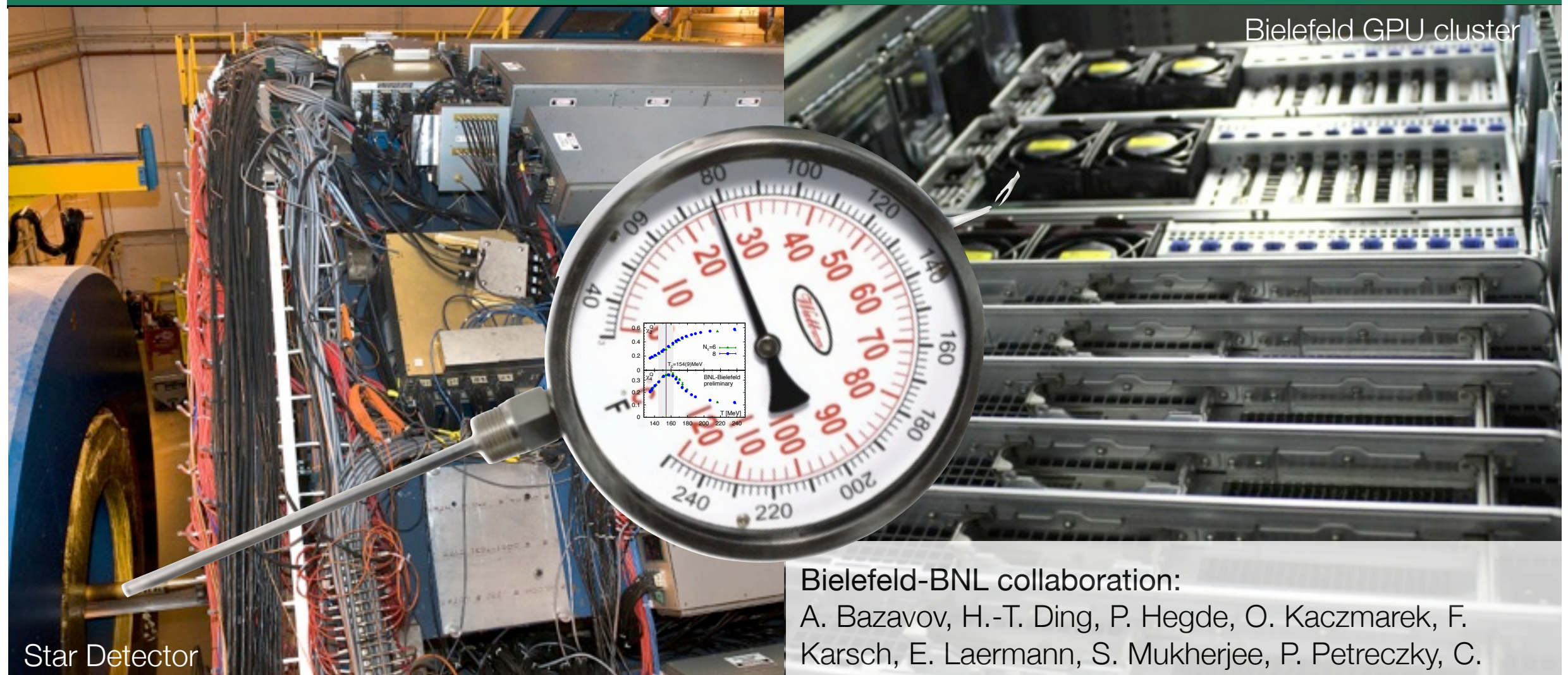


Charge Fluctuations as Thermometer for Heavy-Ion Collisions



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Outline



- Status of HISQ fluctuations data
- Freeze-out conditions from QCD thermodynamics
- Comparison with experimental data
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 - proton fluctuations (STAR)
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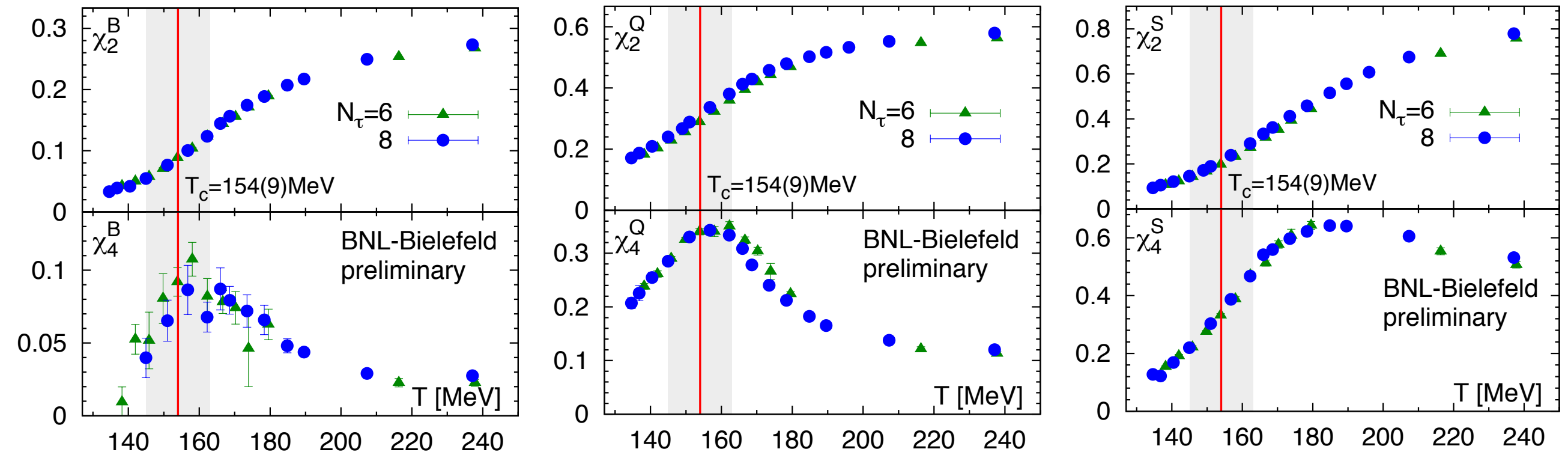
$$\chi_{ijk,\mu}^{BQS} = \frac{1}{VT^3} \frac{\partial^{i+j+k} \ln Z(\mu, T)}{\partial \hat{\mu}_B^i \partial \hat{\mu}_Q^j \partial \hat{\mu}_S^k} \quad \hat{\mu}_X = \frac{\mu_X}{T}$$

- related to cumulants of net charge fluctuations, e.g.

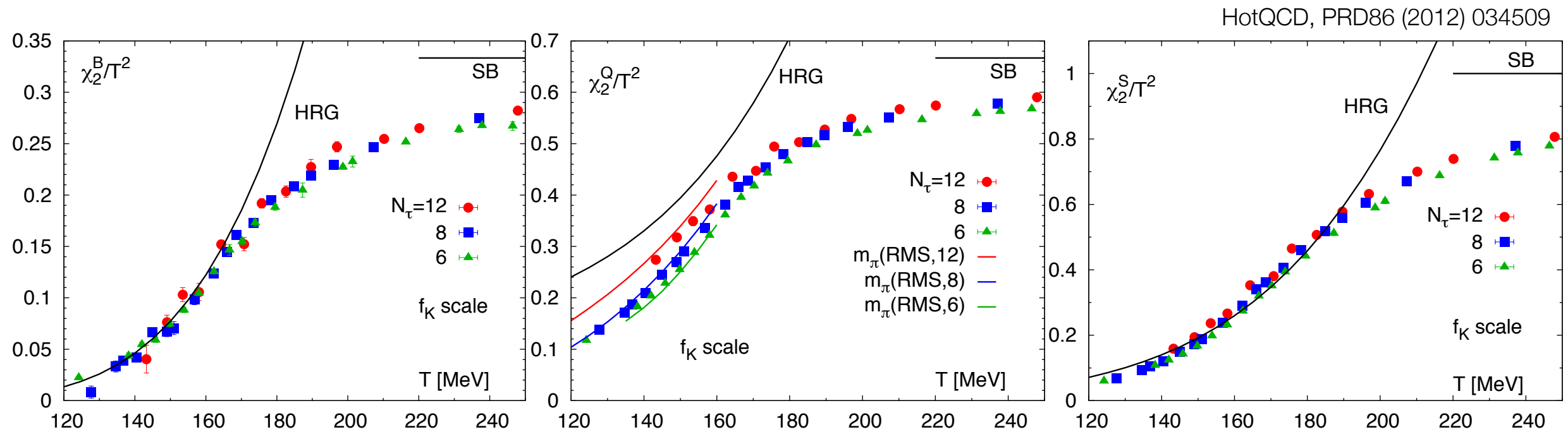
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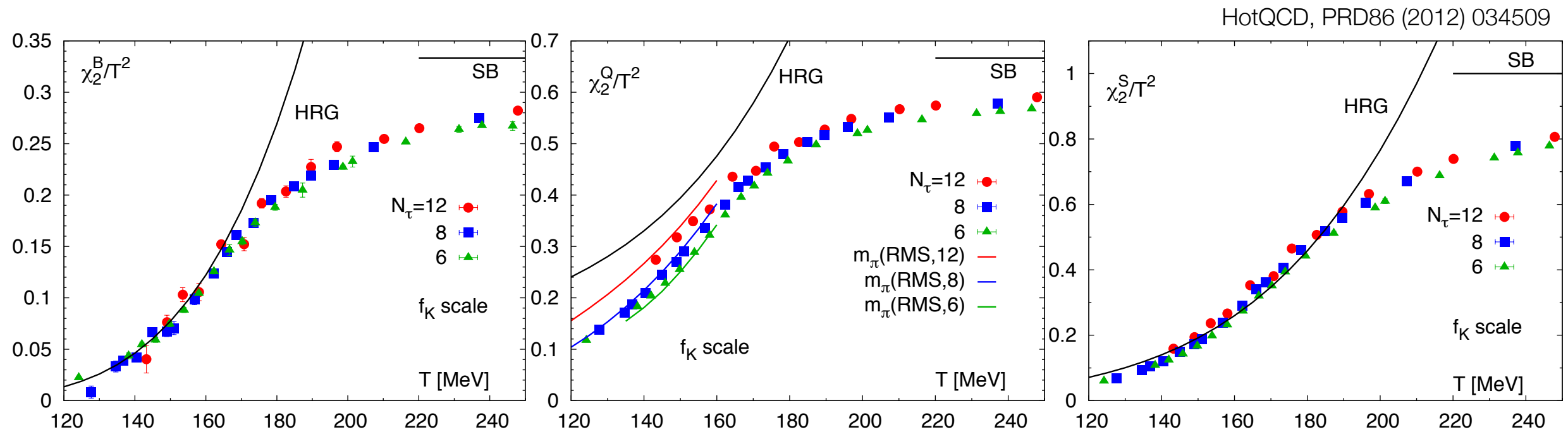
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- up to 12000 configurations for each beta
- measured with 500 up to 1500 (around T_c) random sources



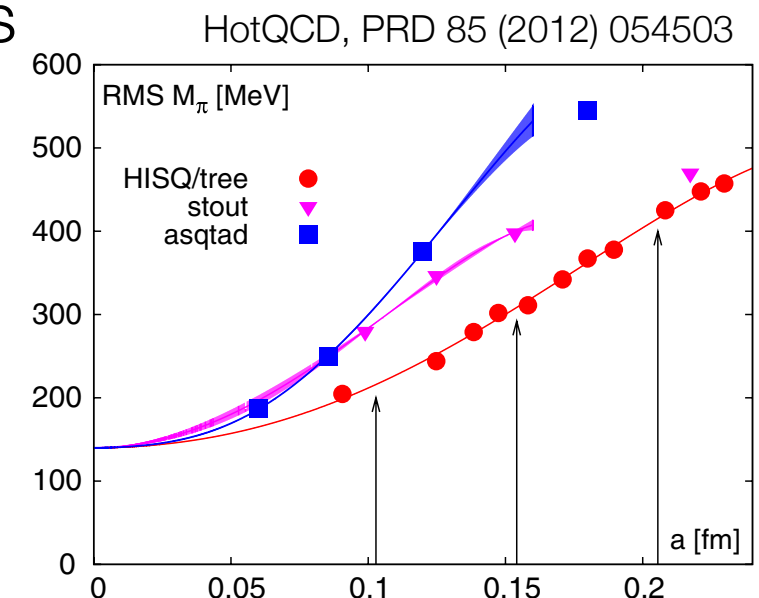
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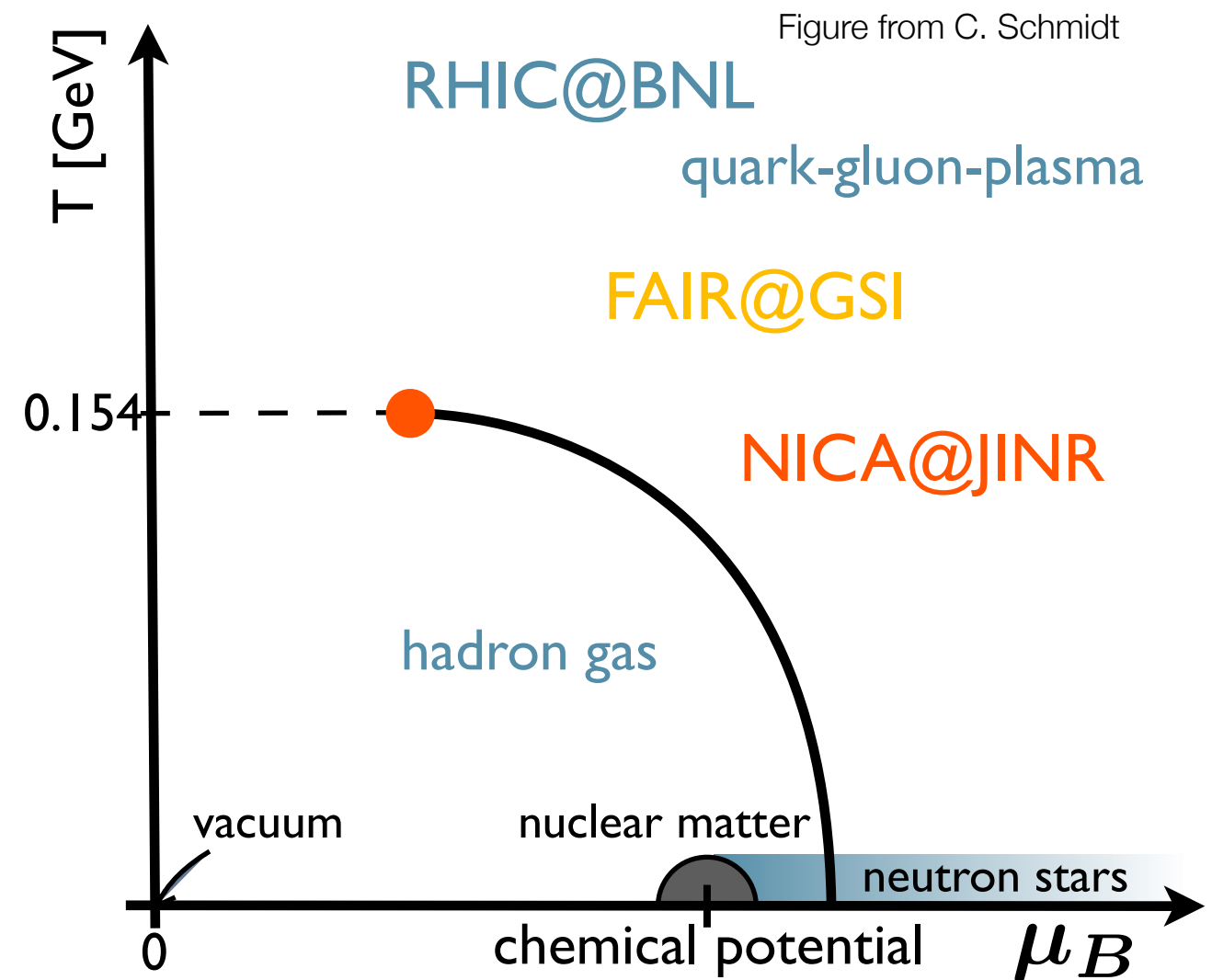
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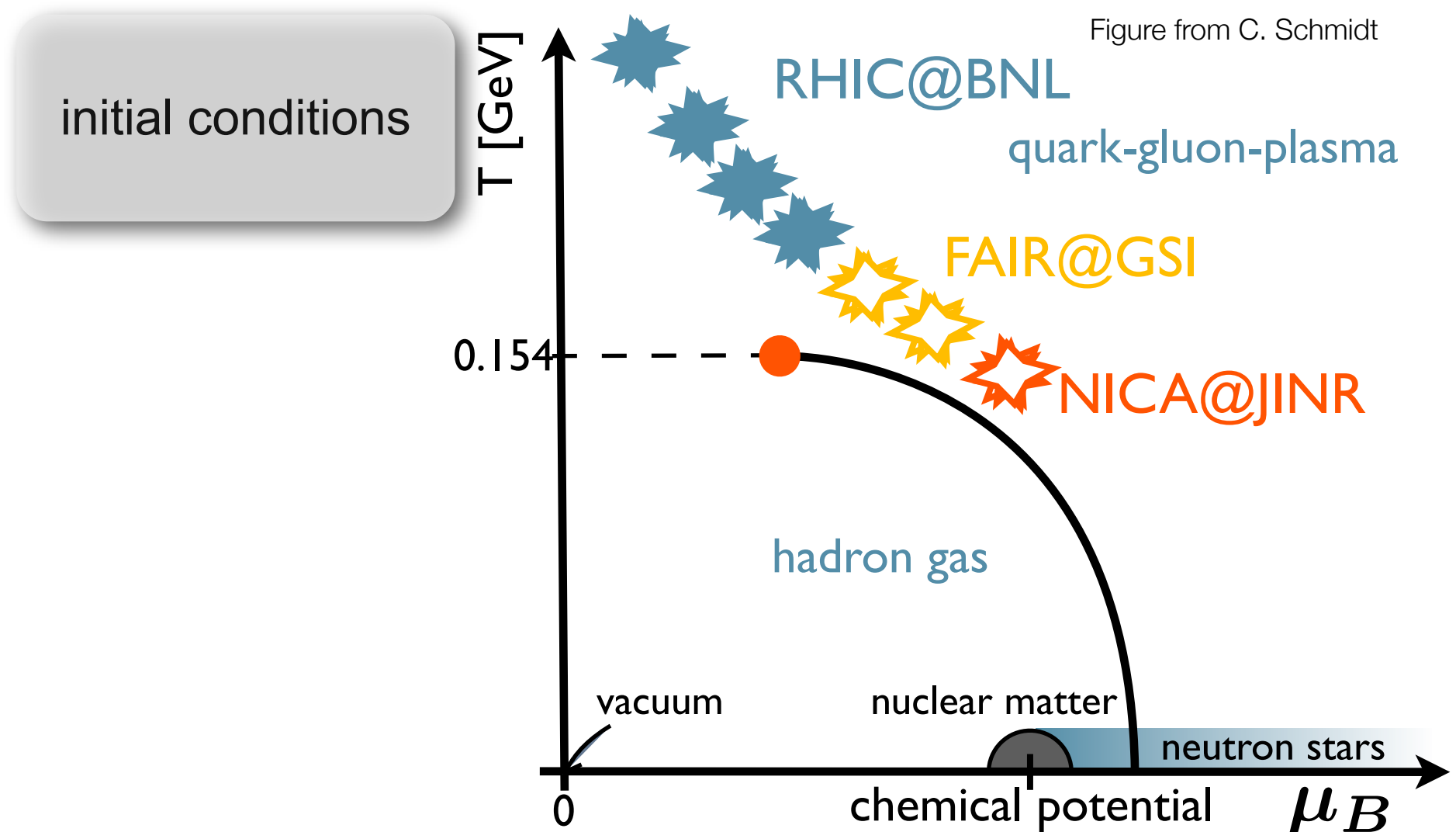
- low temperature described by hadron resonance gas
- taste violations visible in charge sector
- use action with reduced taste splitting



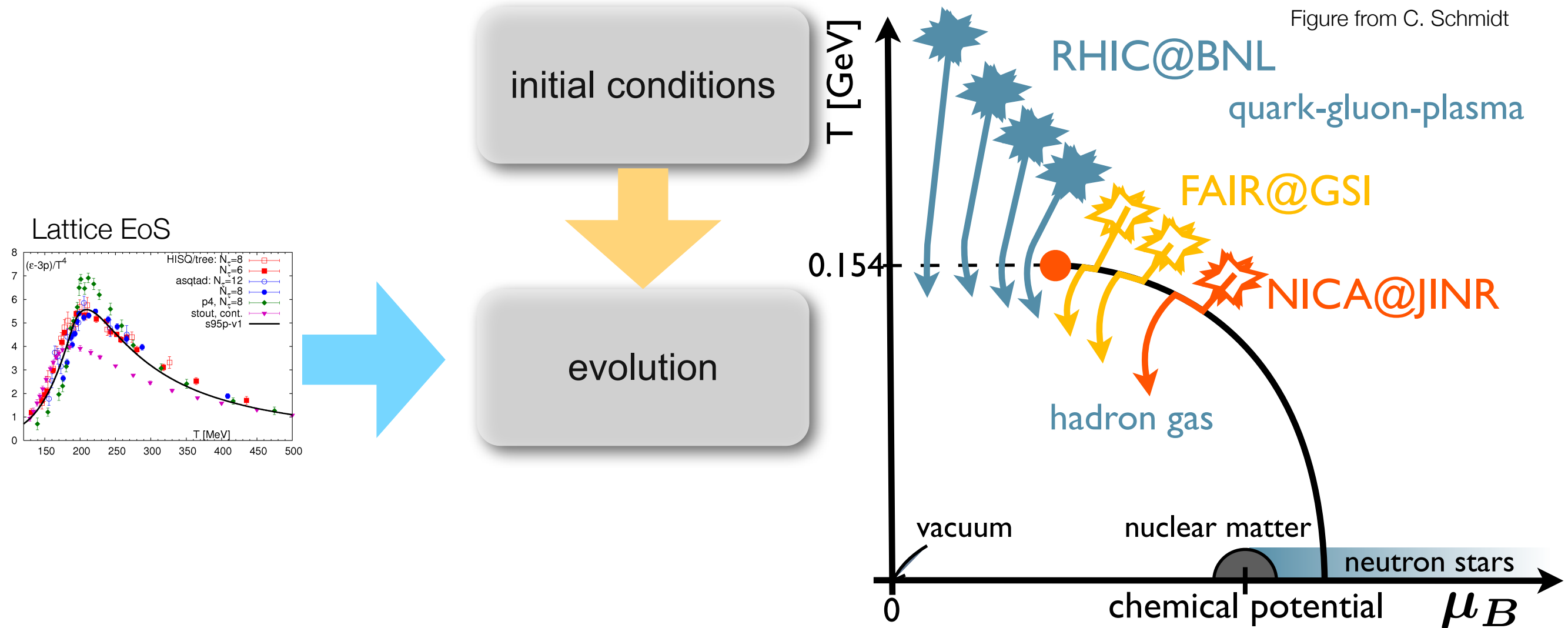
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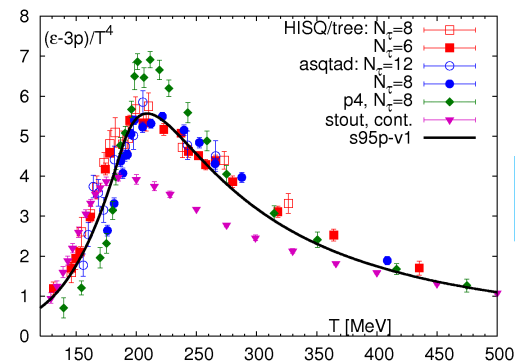
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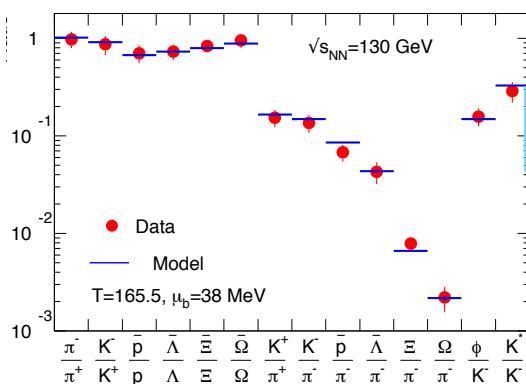
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Figure from C. Schmidt

Lattice EoS



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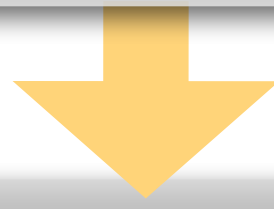


see e.g. Braun-Munzinger, Cleymans

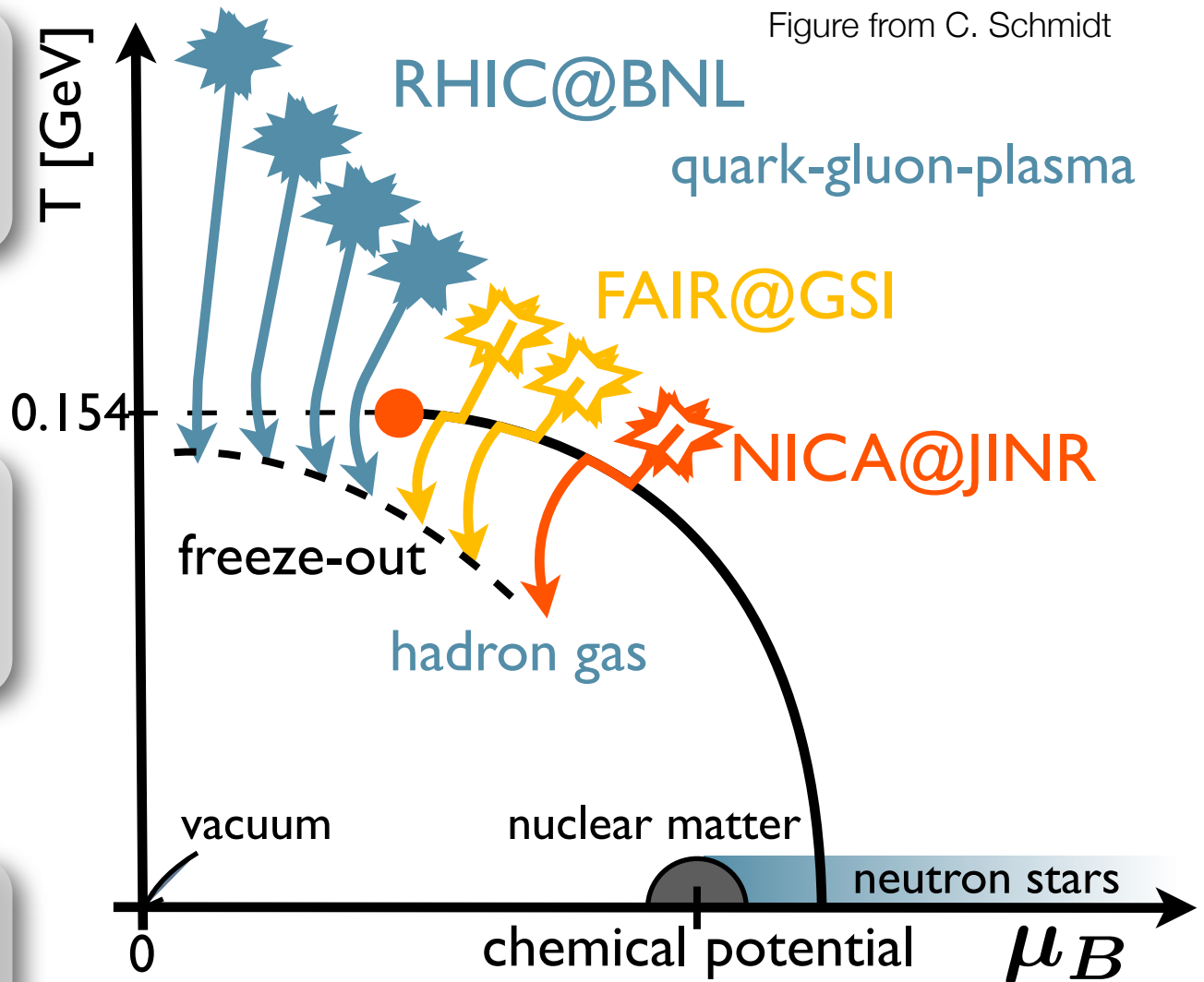
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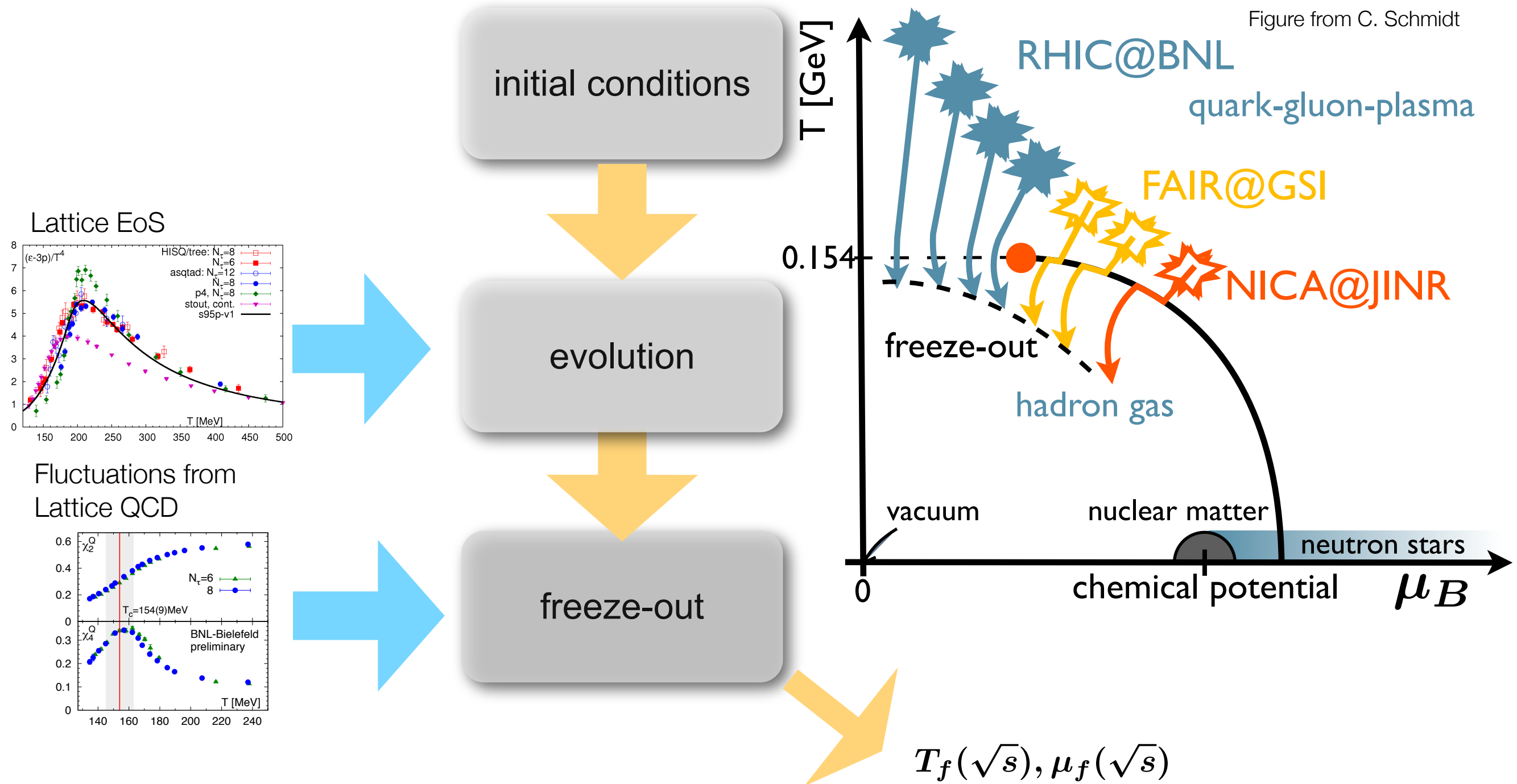
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$$T_f(\sqrt{s}), \mu_f(\sqrt{s})$$

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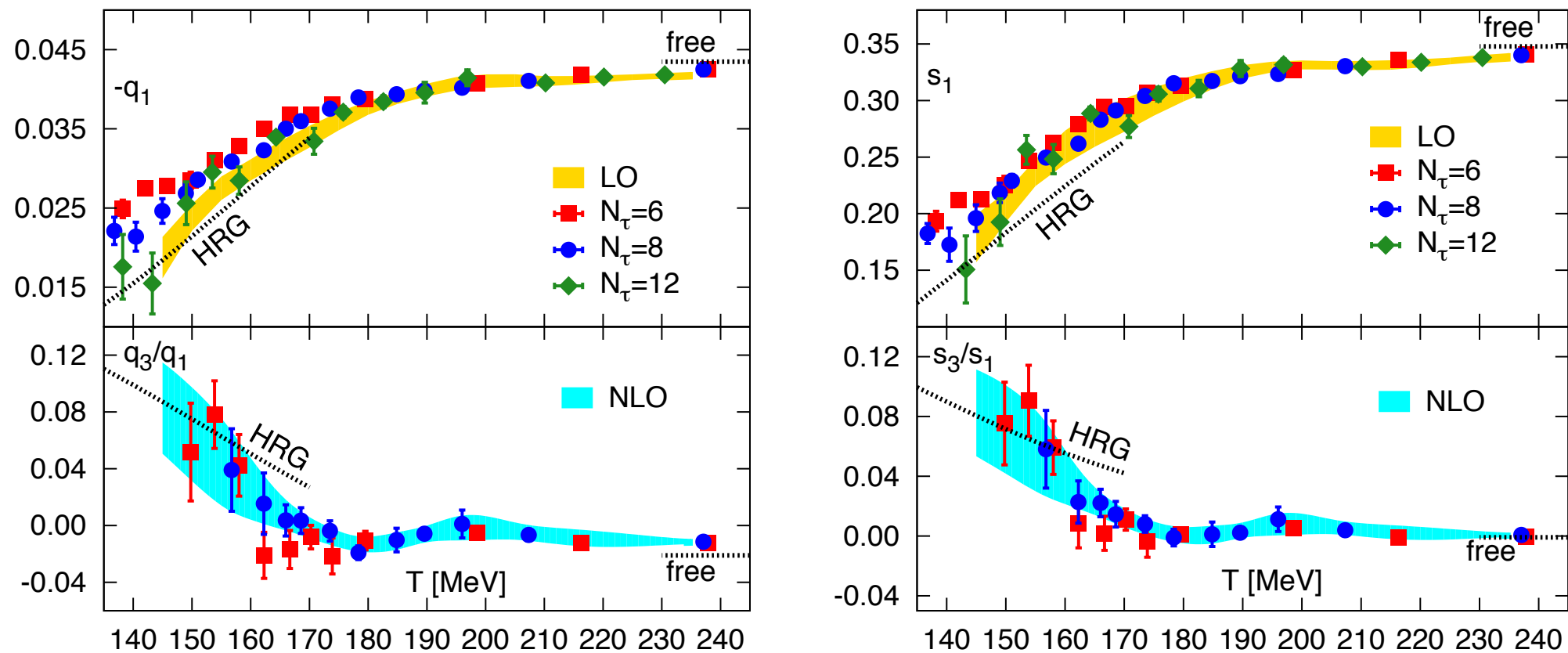
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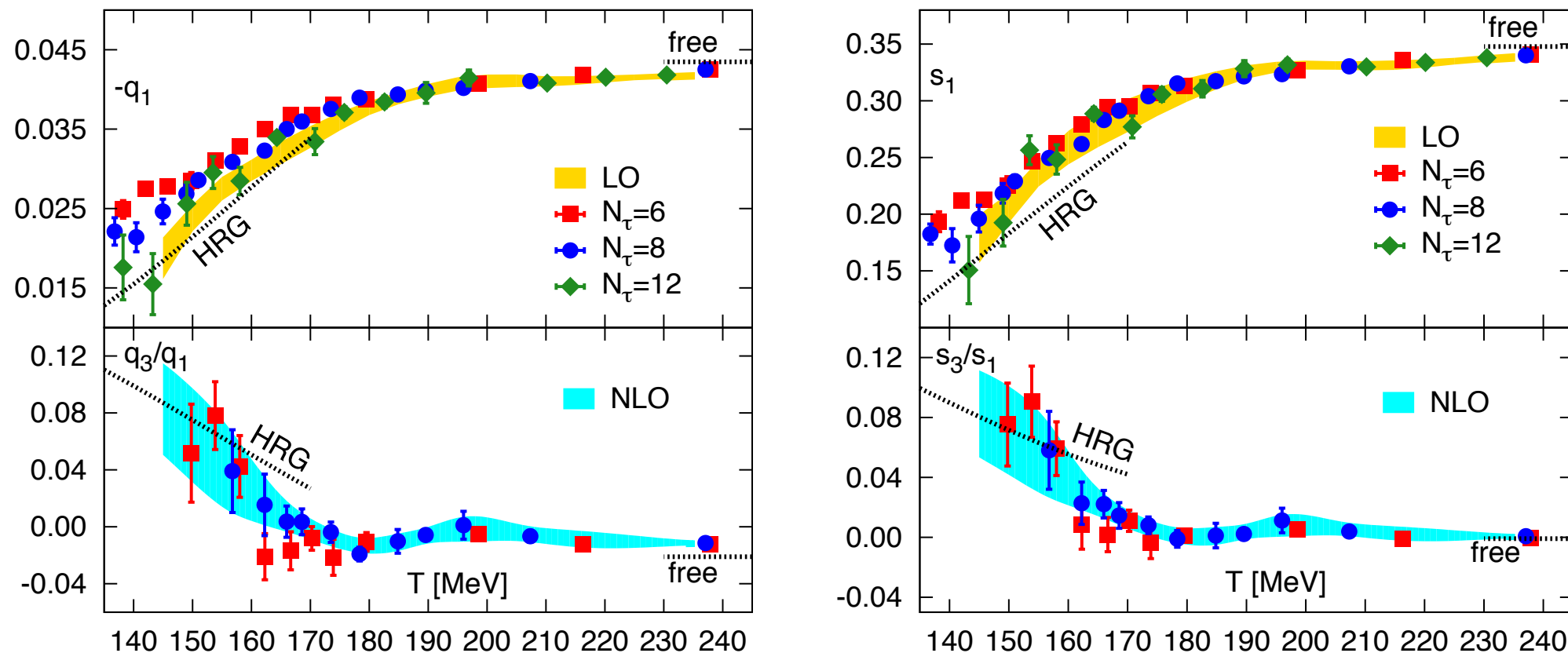
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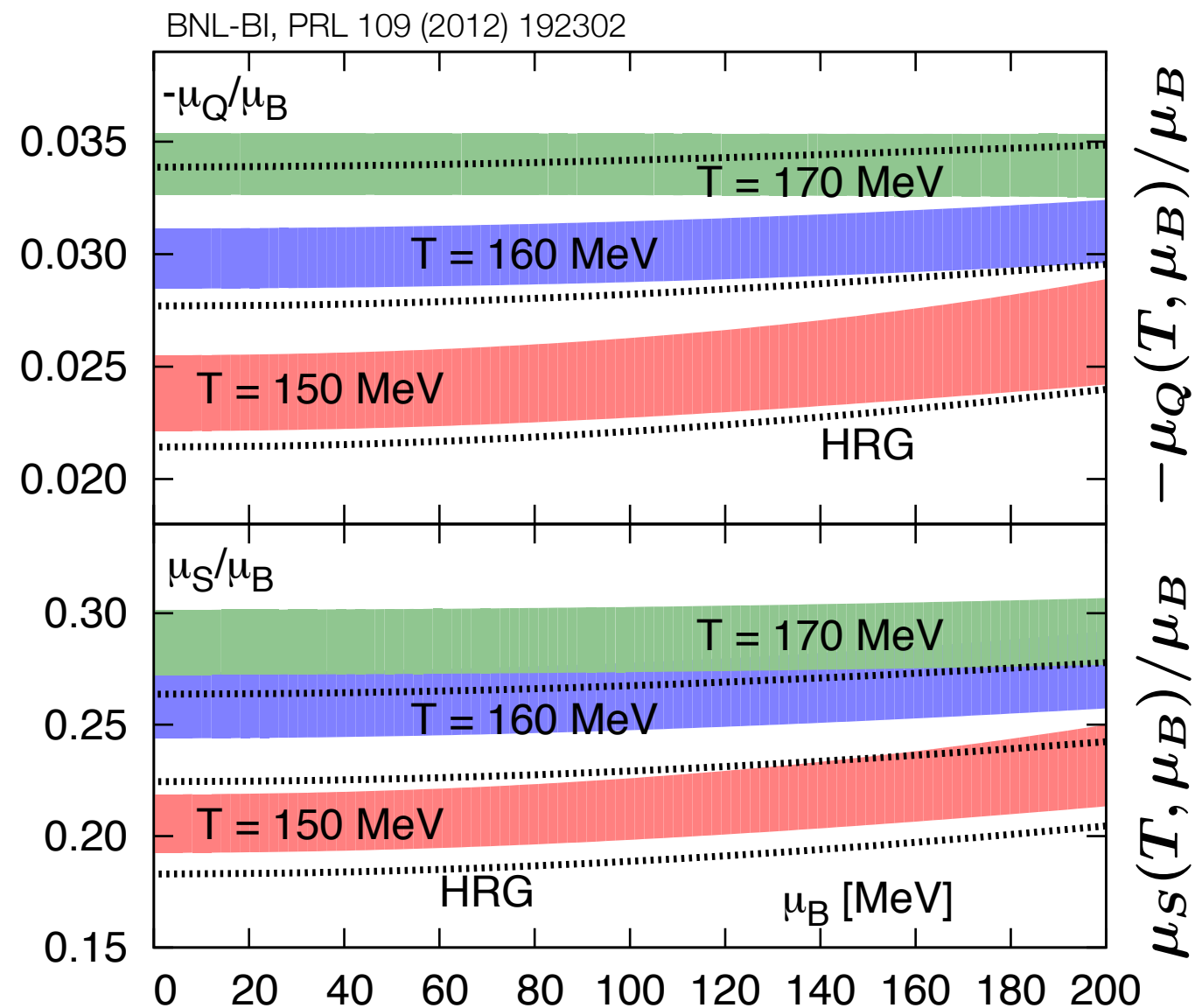


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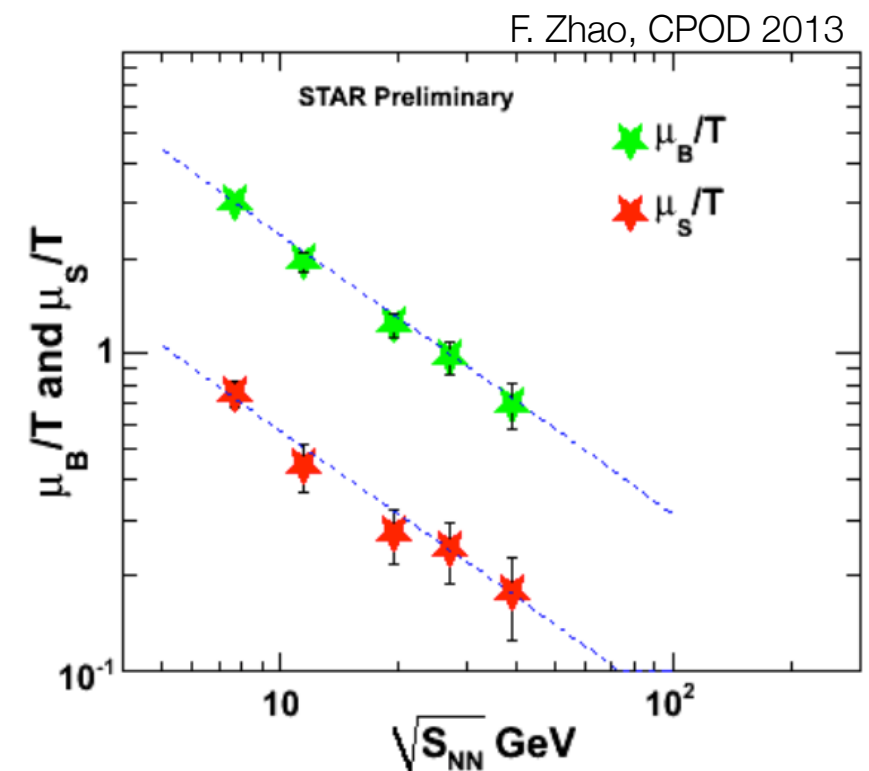
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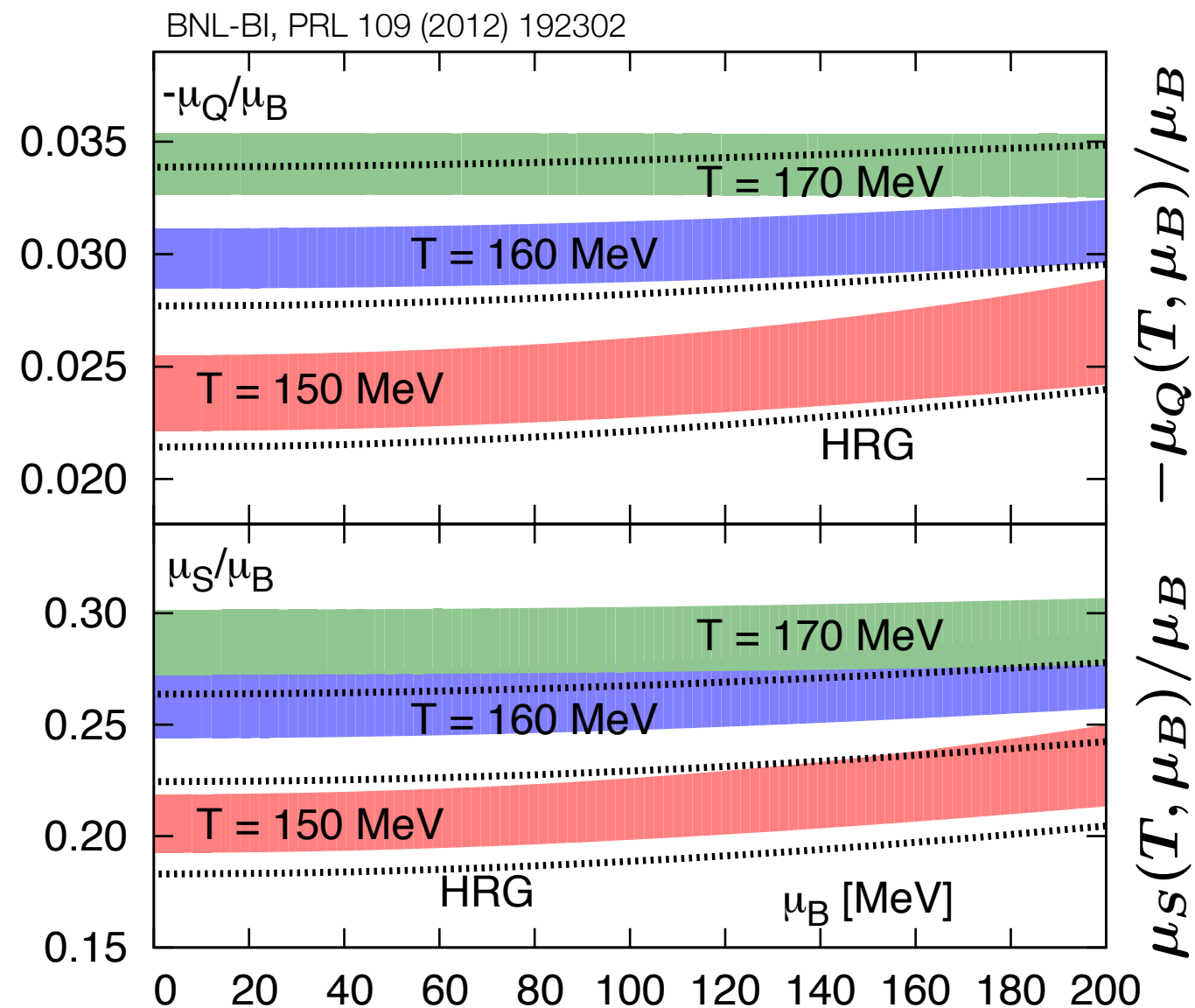


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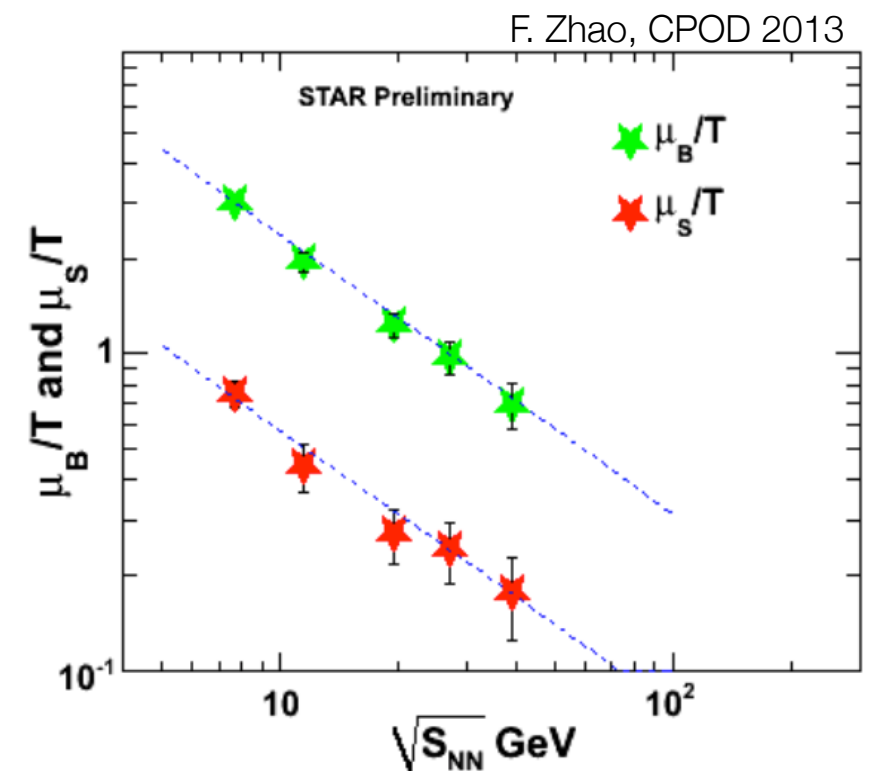
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deviations from HRG < 5 - 15 %

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Pinning down the freeze-out parameters

- need two experimental quantities to determine (T^f, μ_B^f)
 - ratios eliminate (unknown) volume factor
- only proton (not baryon!) number fluctuations are experimentally available
- use electric charge fluctuations

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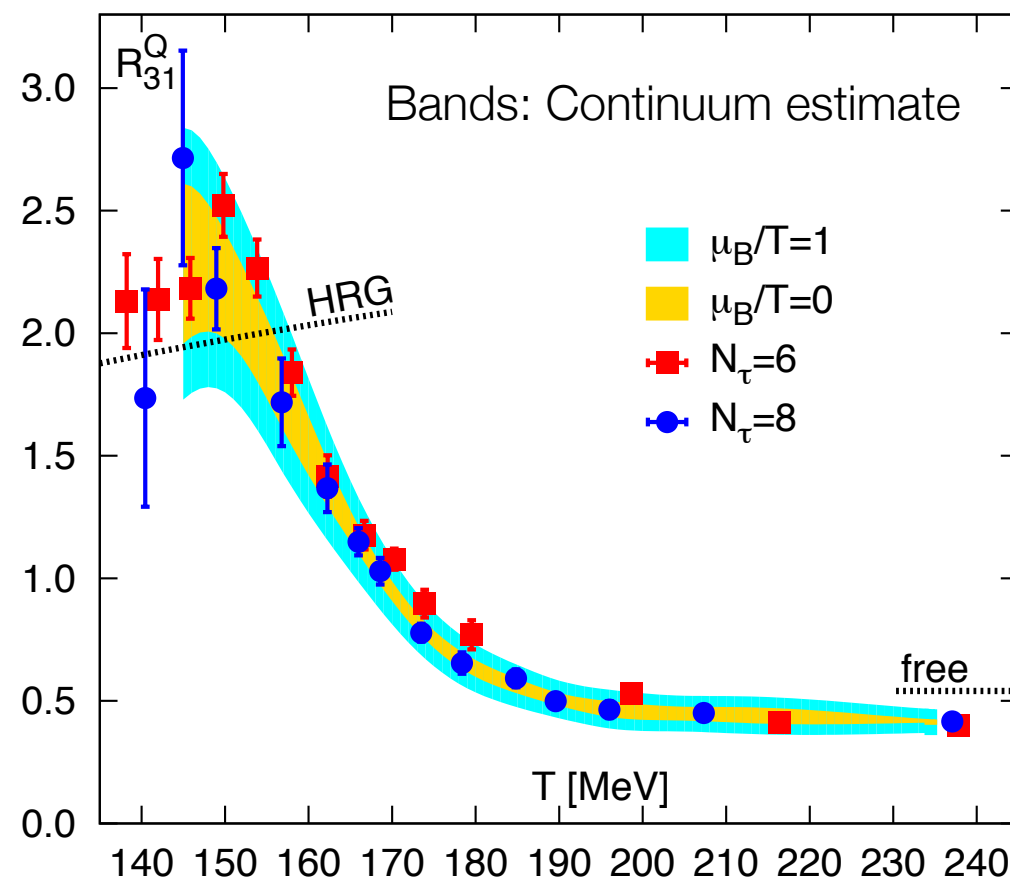
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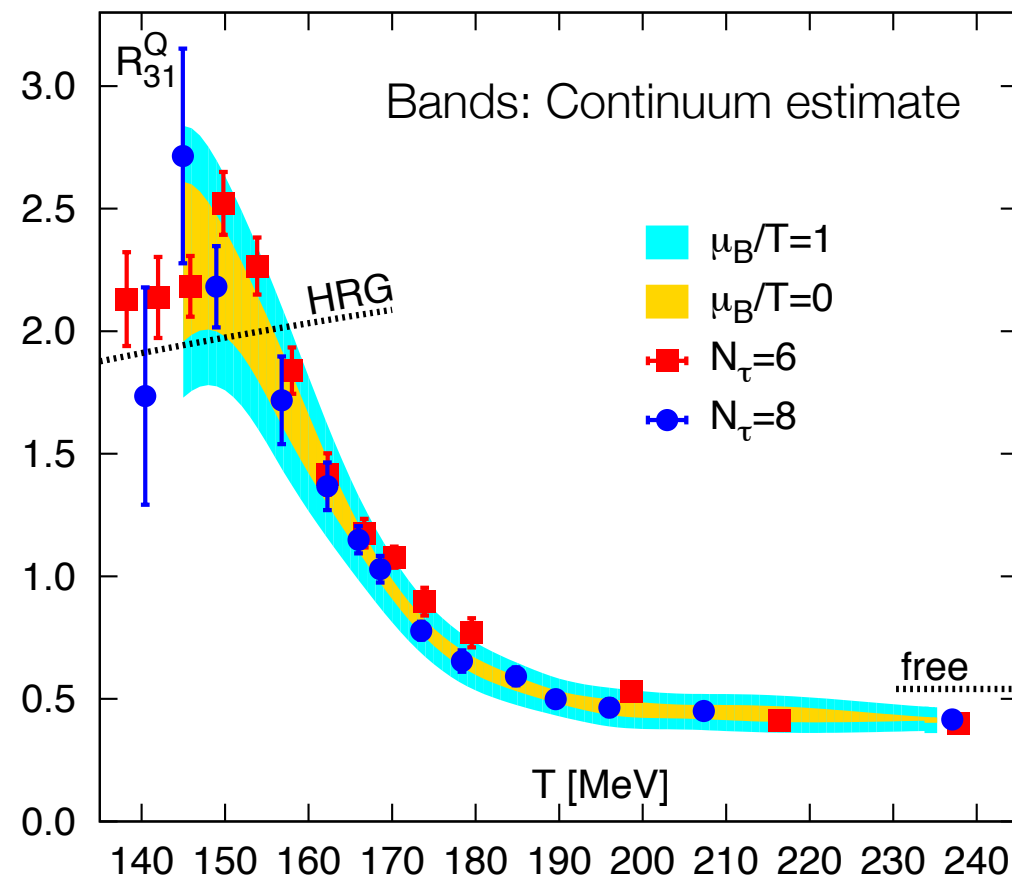
$S_Q \sigma_Q^3 / M_Q$	$T^f [MeV]$
$\gtrsim 2$	$\lesssim 155$
~ 1.5	~ 160
$\lesssim 1$	$\gtrsim 165$

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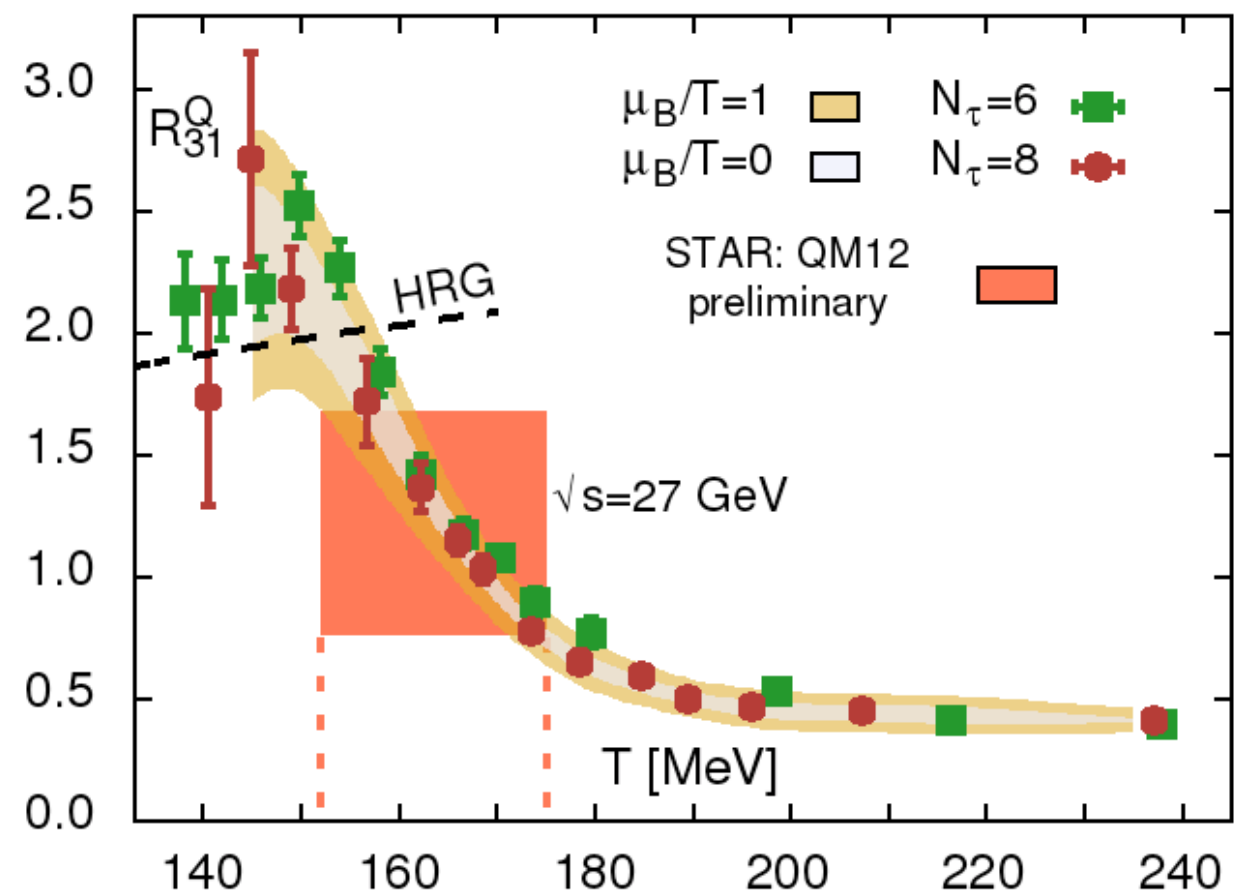
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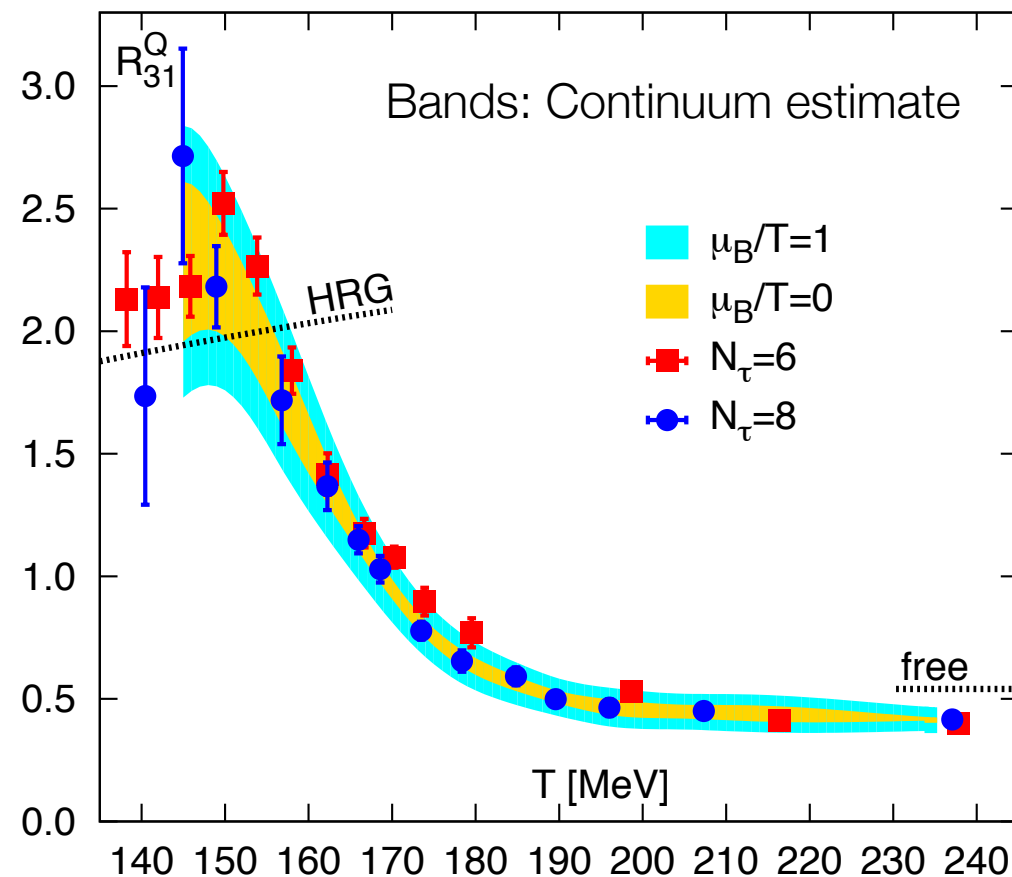


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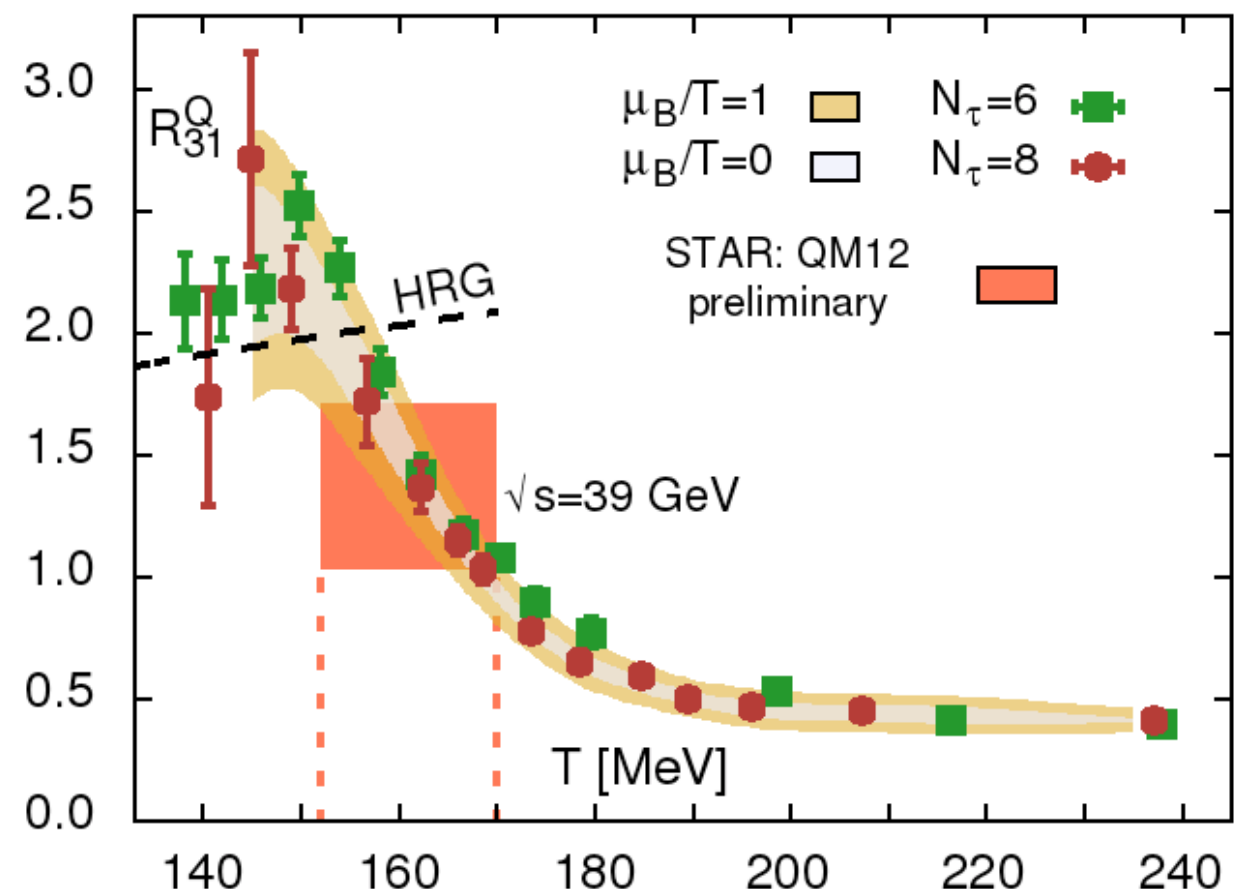
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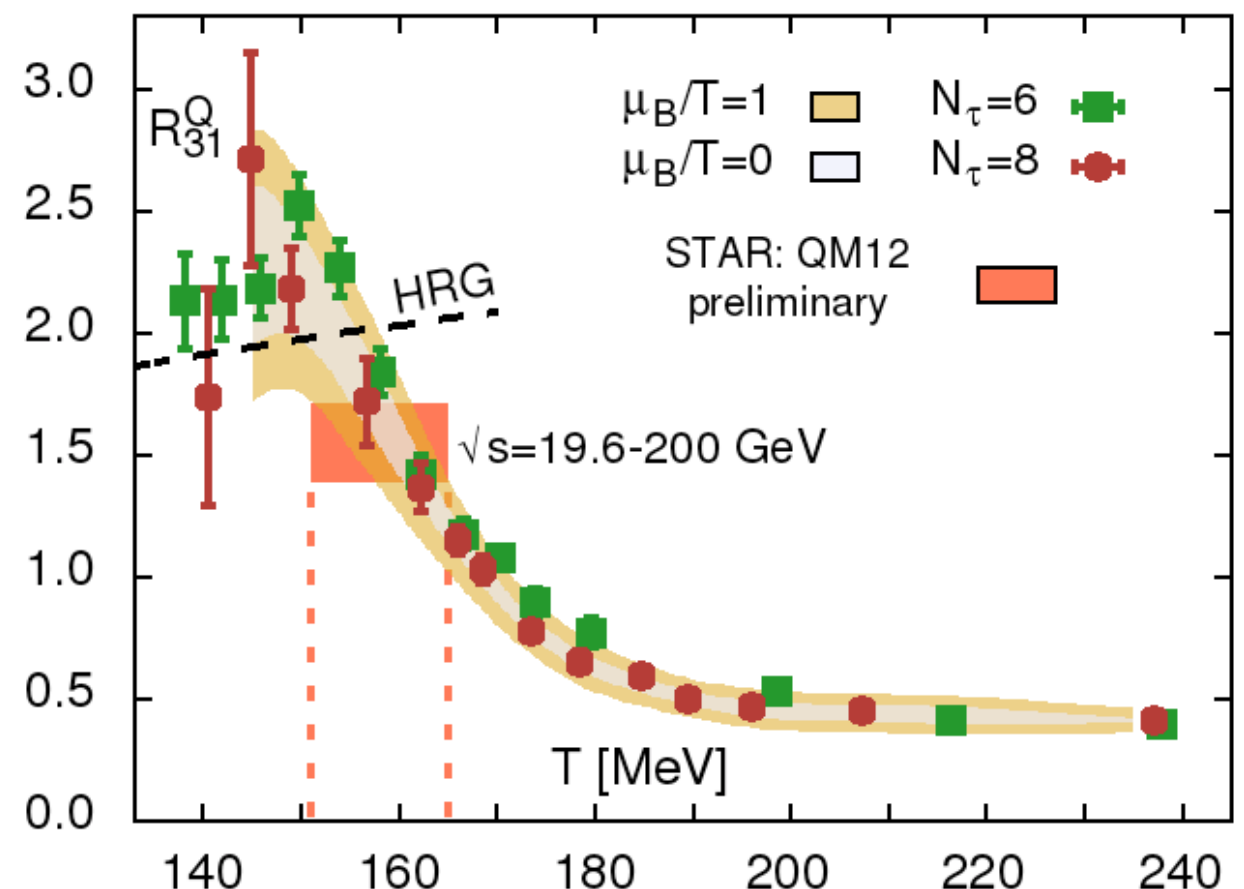
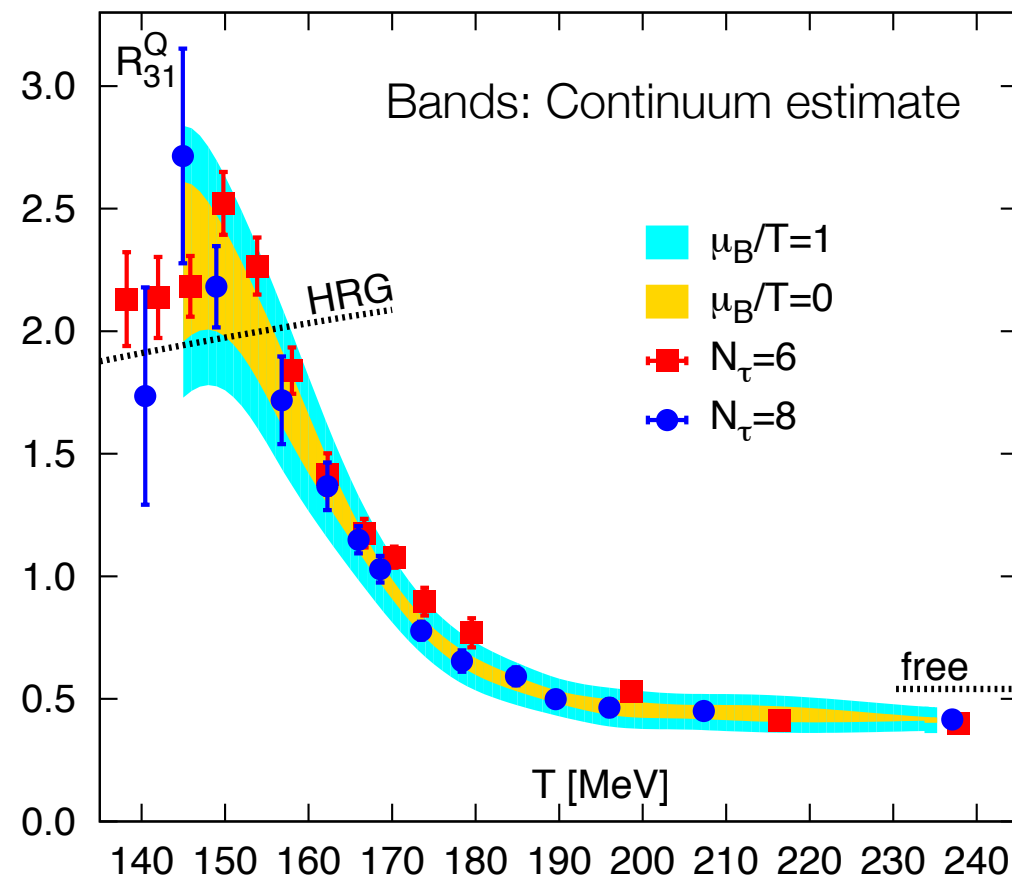
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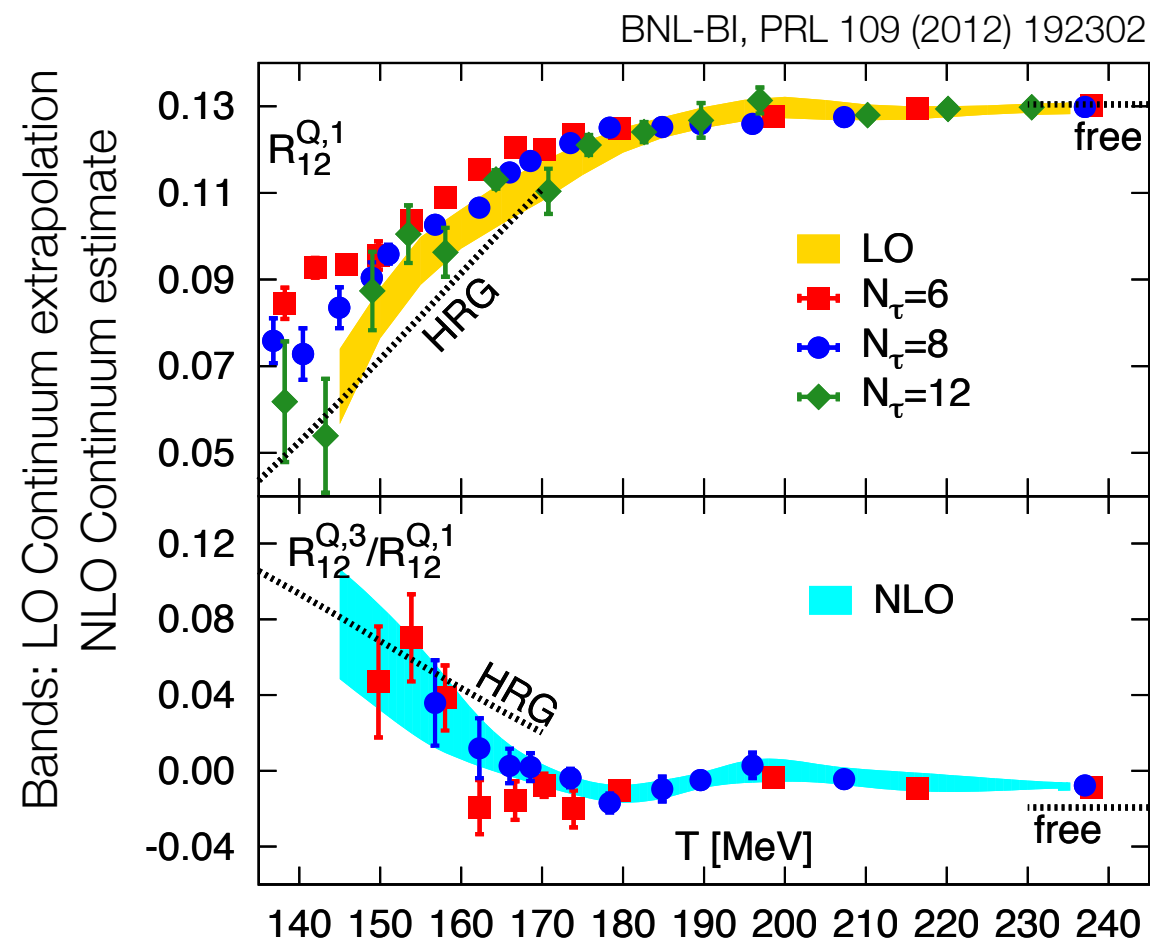
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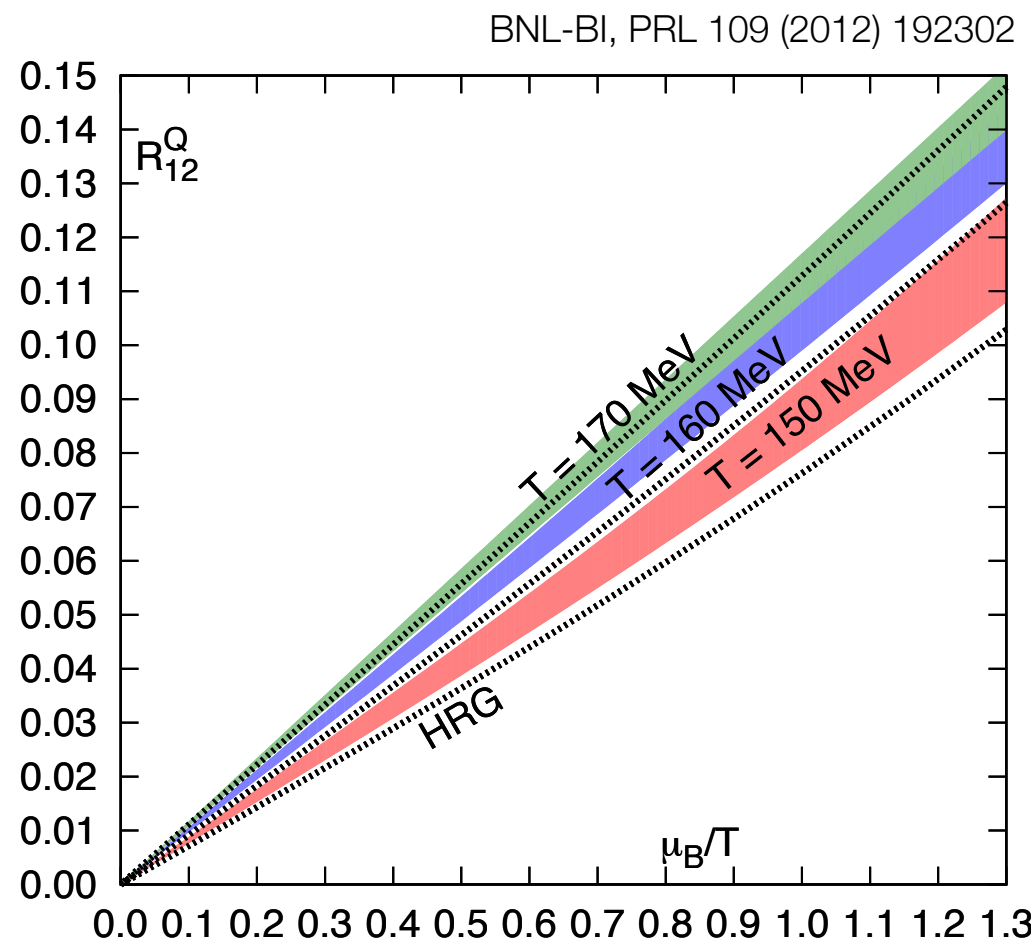
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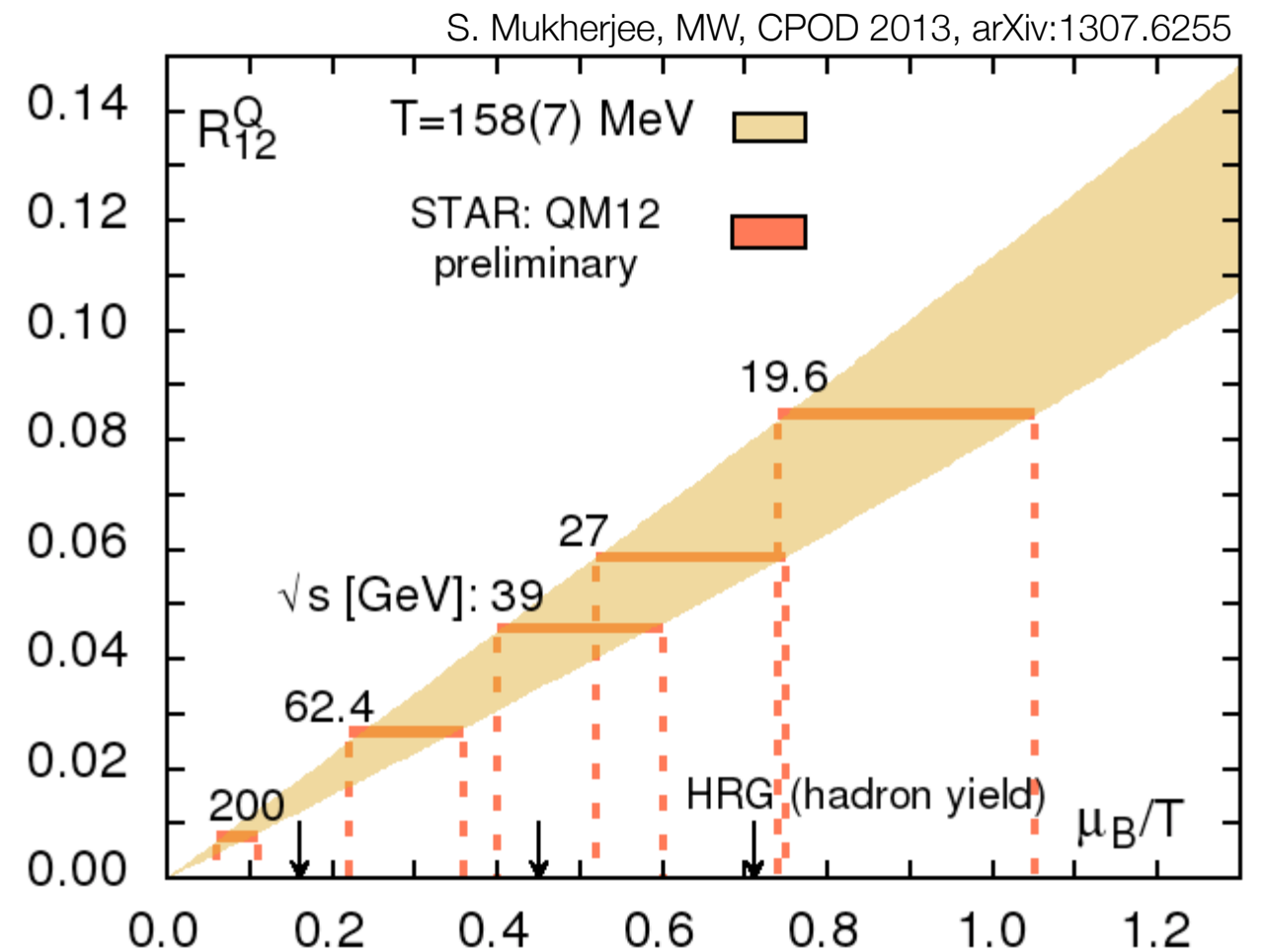
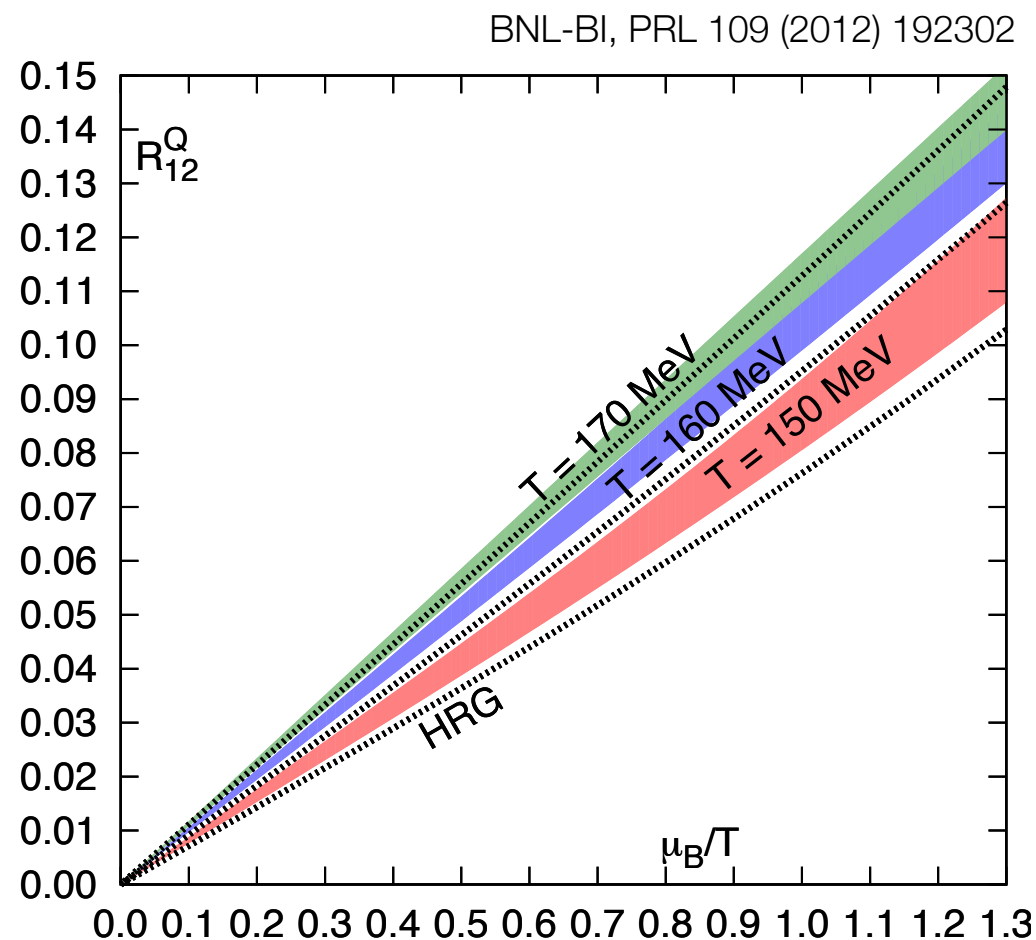
M_Q/σ_Q^2	μ_B^f/T^f
0.01-0.02	0.1-0.2
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(for $T^f \sim 160$ MeV)

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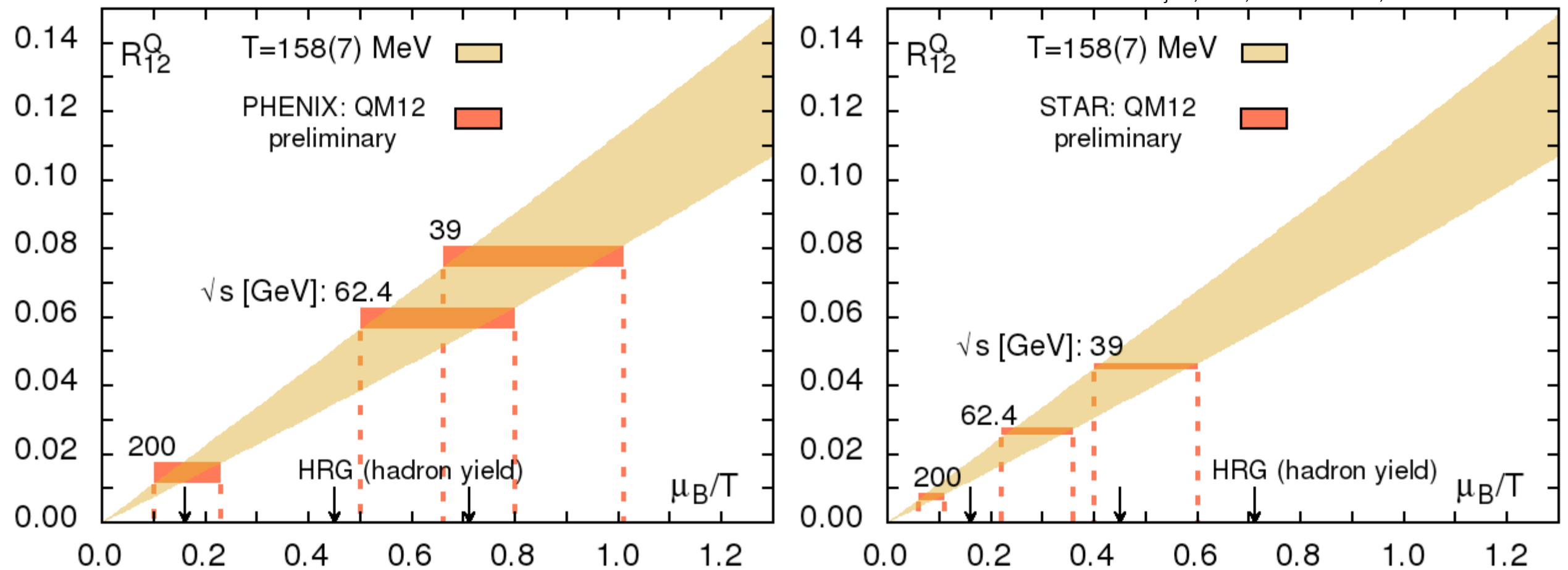
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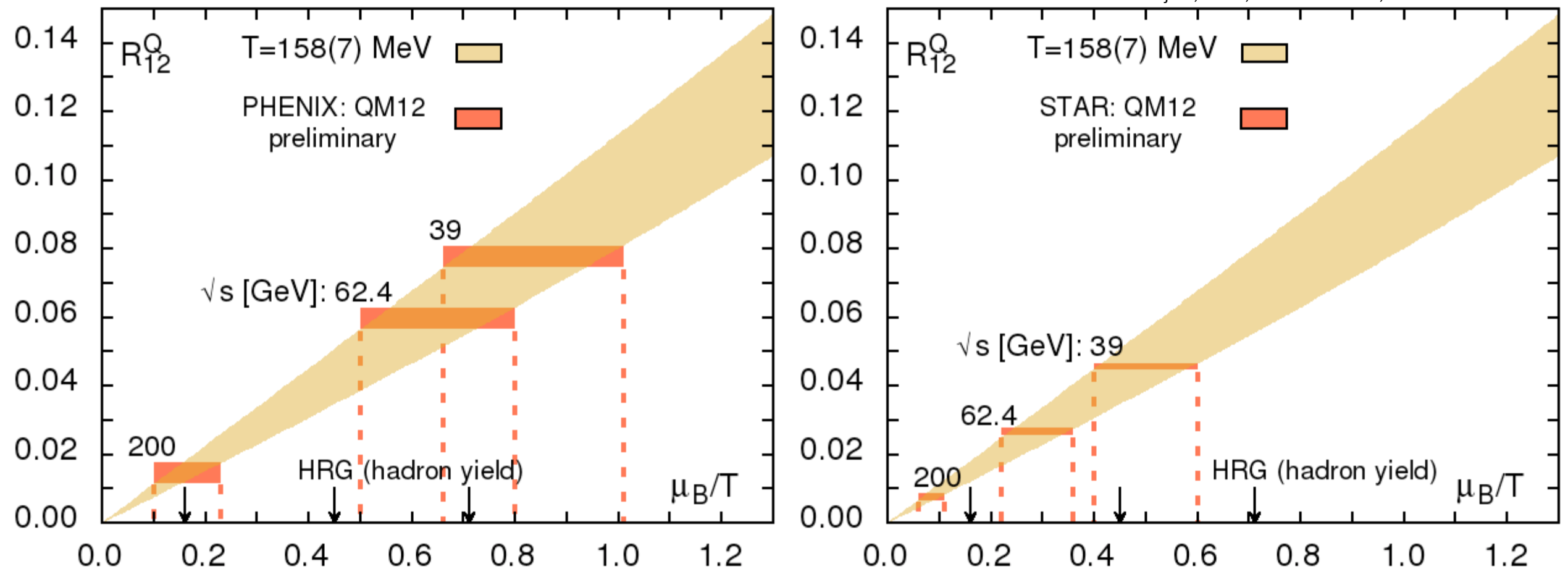
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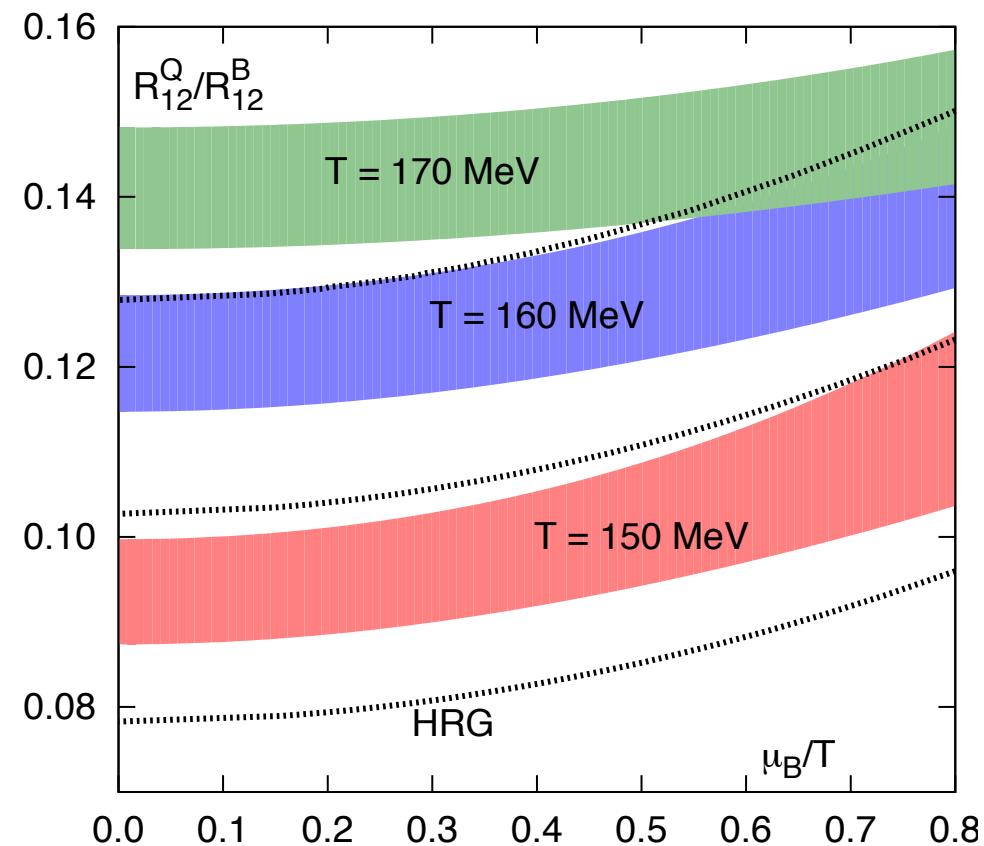


Preliminary data from PHENIX and STAR are not in agreement !

With preliminary data LQCD and HRG do not agree !

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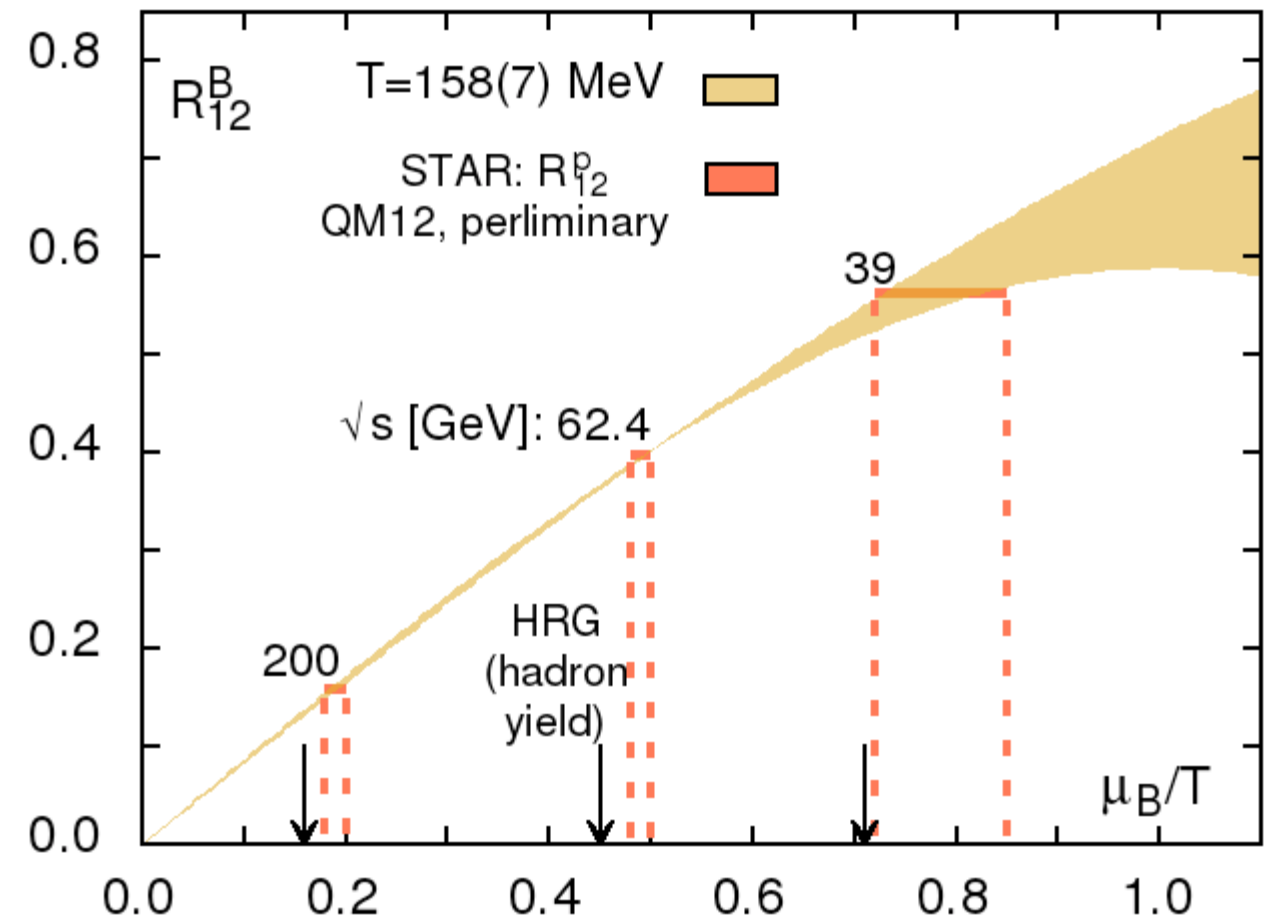
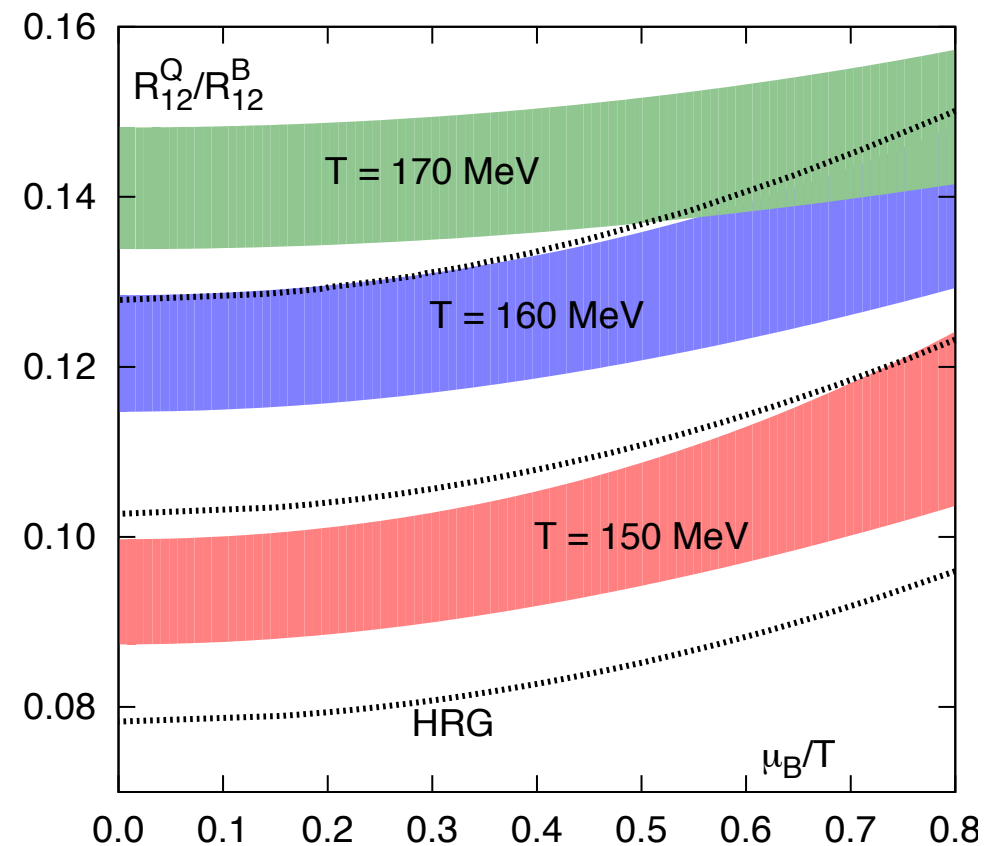
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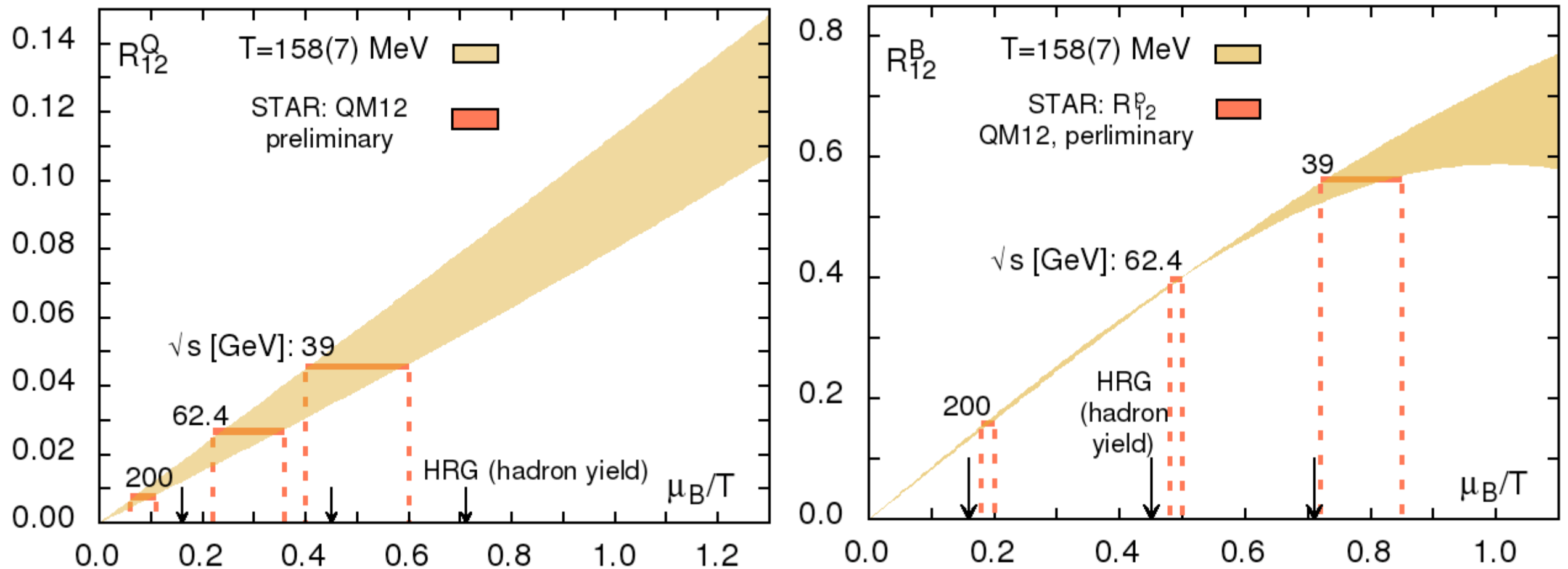
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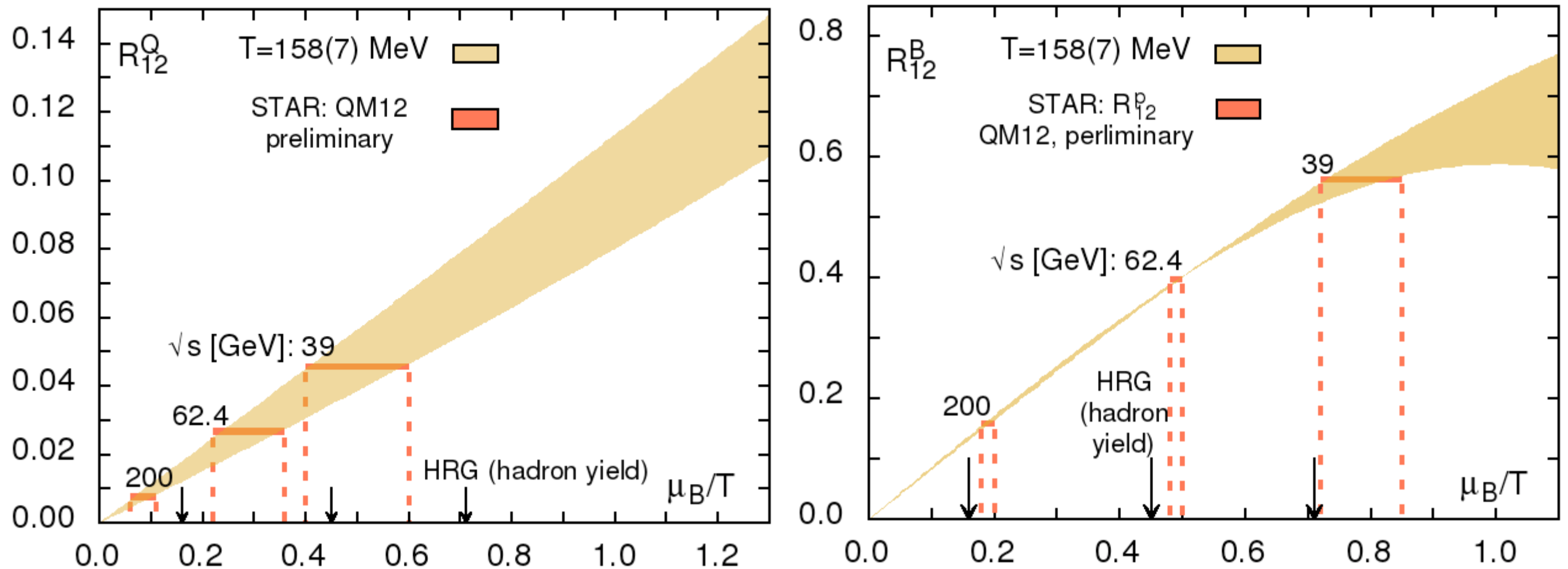
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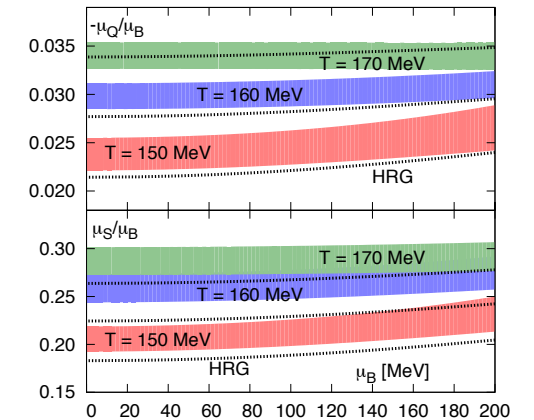
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(see Asakawa-Kitazawa; Bzdak-Koch-Skokov)

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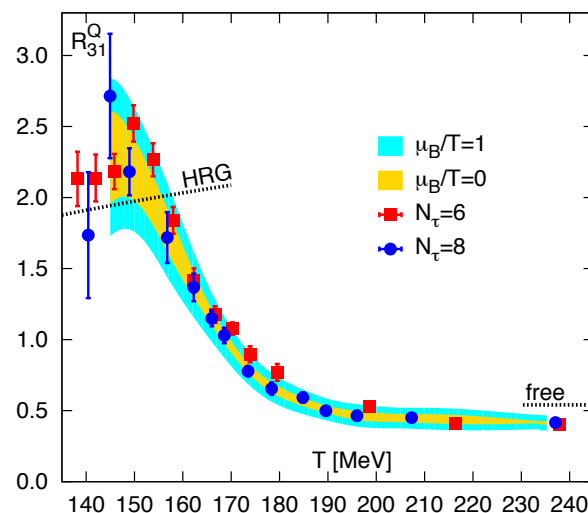


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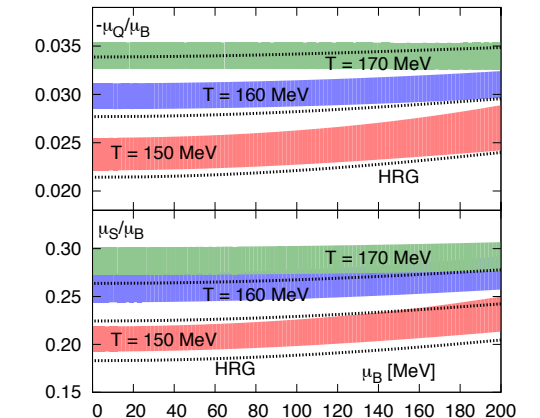
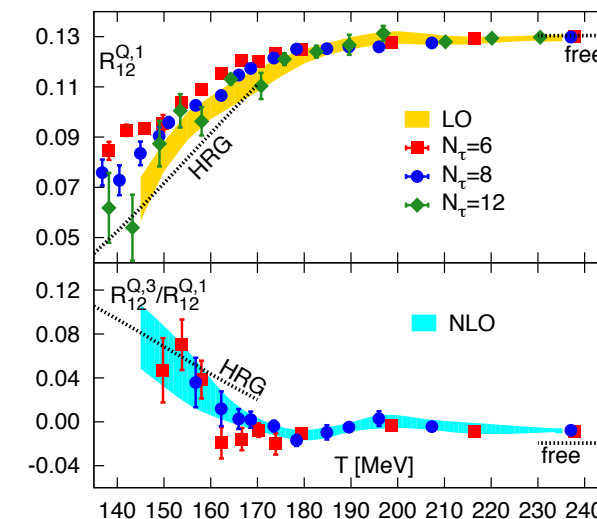
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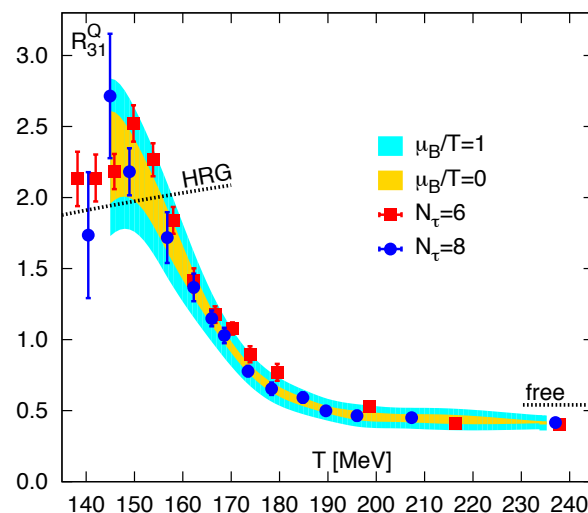


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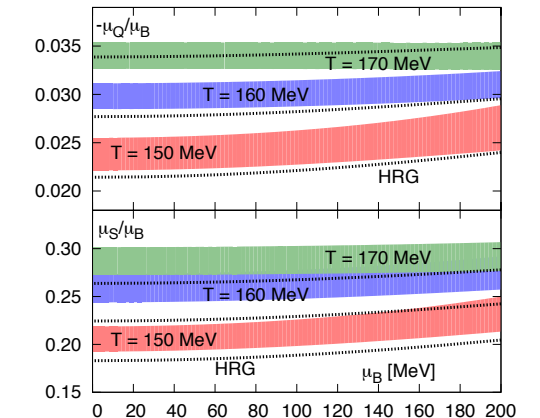
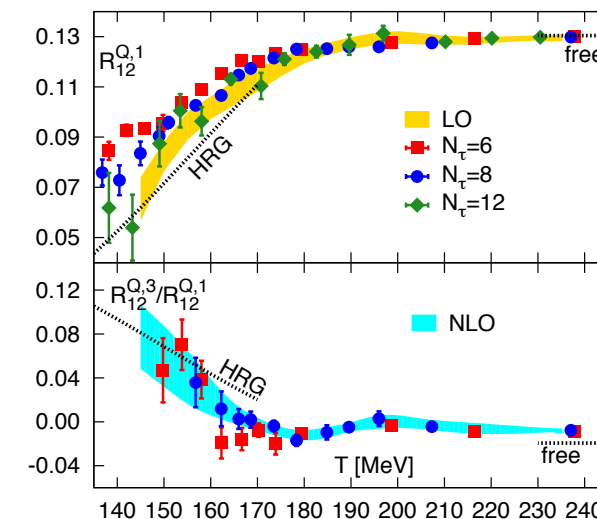
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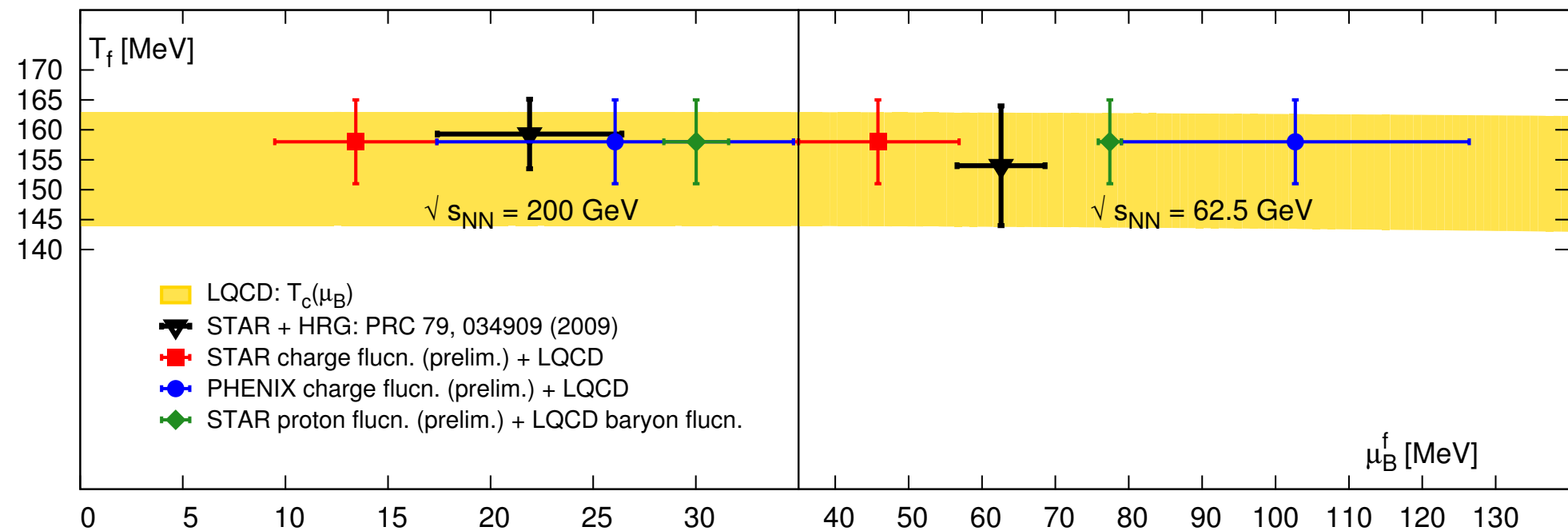
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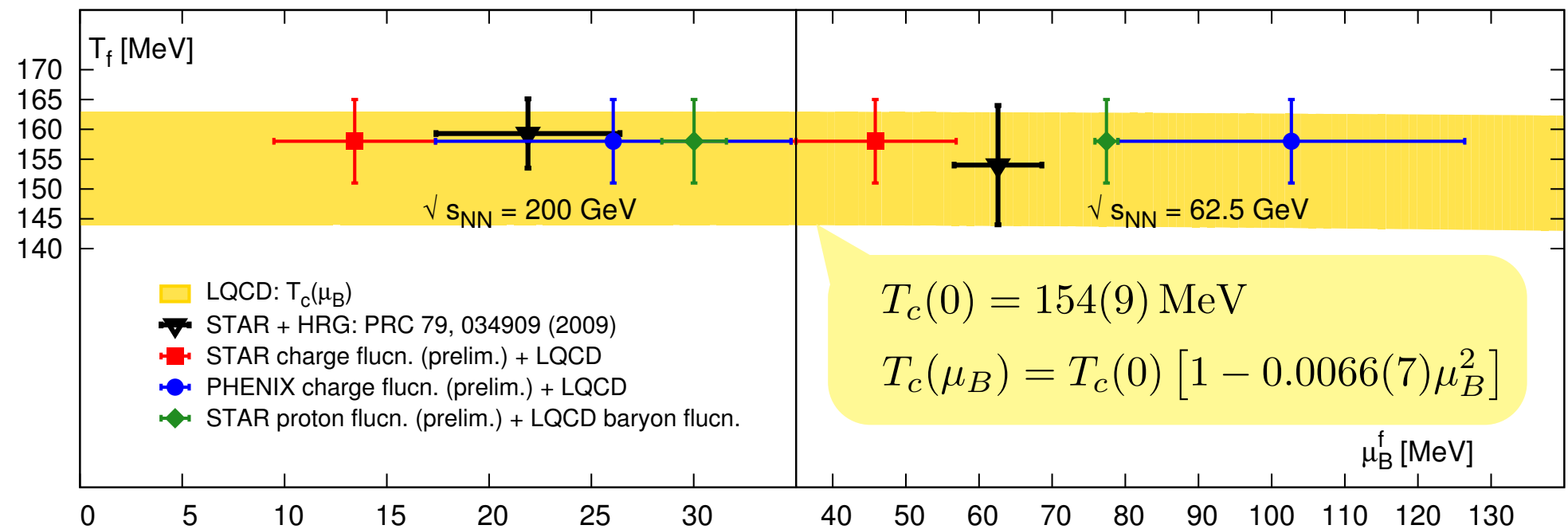


- controlled Taylor expansion up to $\mu_B \lesssim 200 \text{ MeV}$ or $\sqrt{S_{NN}} \gtrsim 19.6 \text{ MeV}$
- check of consistency from baryon number fluctuations and/or higher-order ratios

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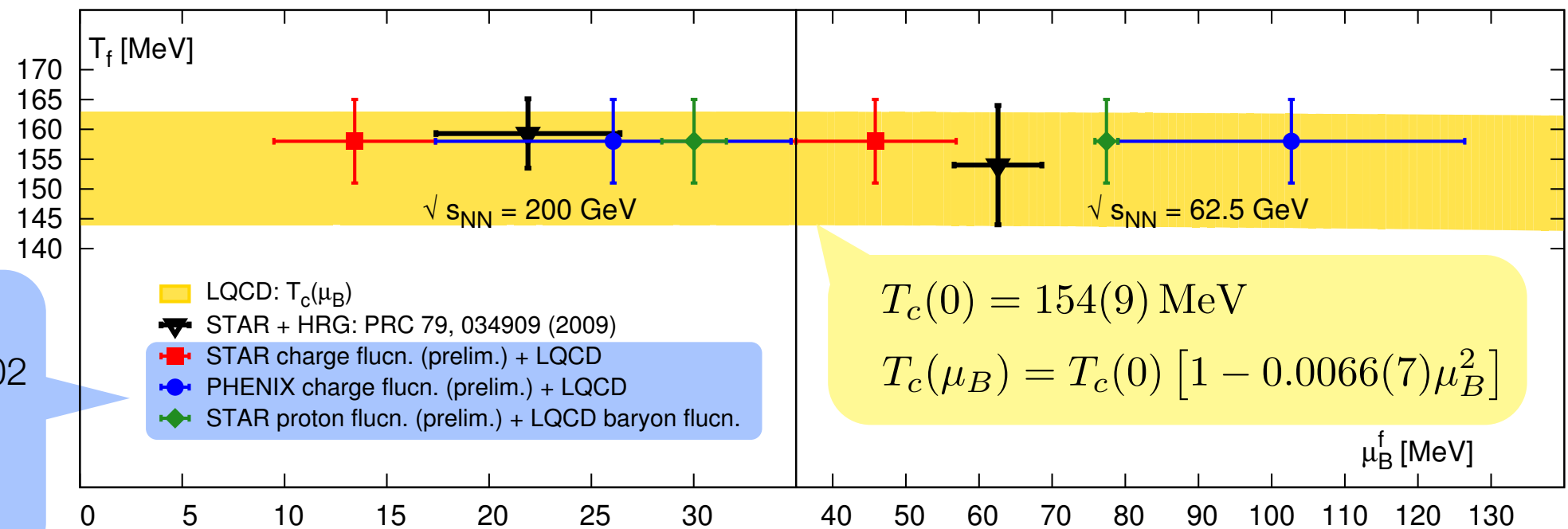


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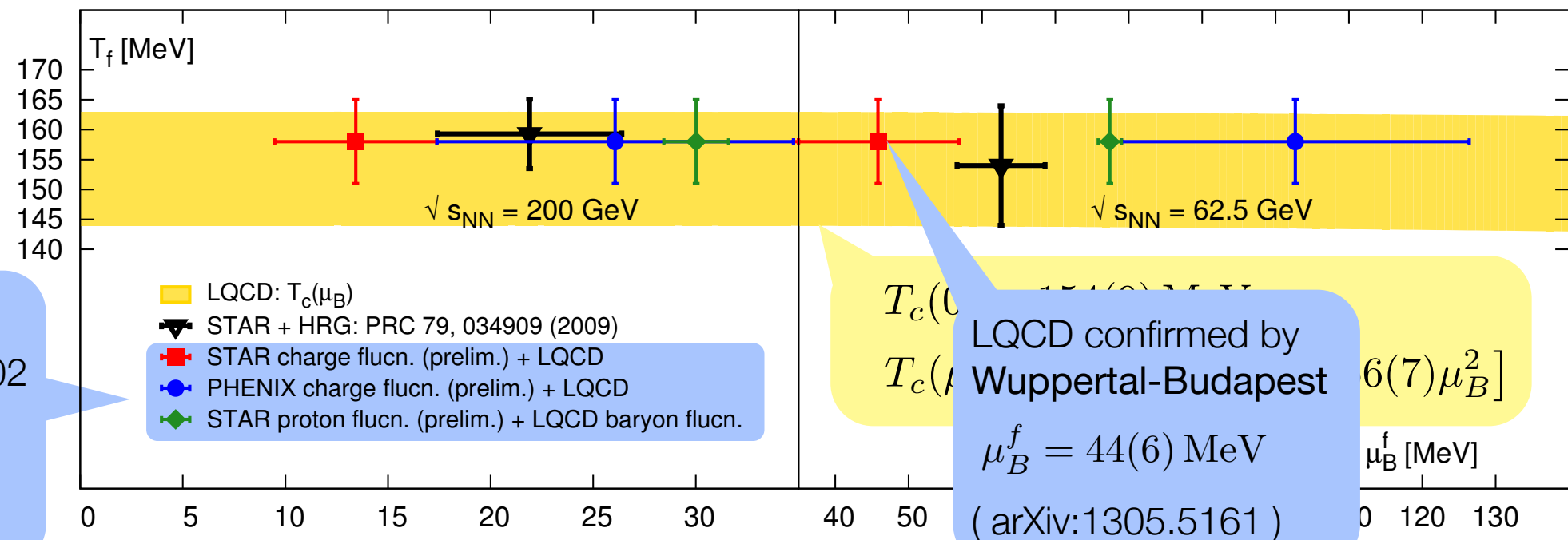
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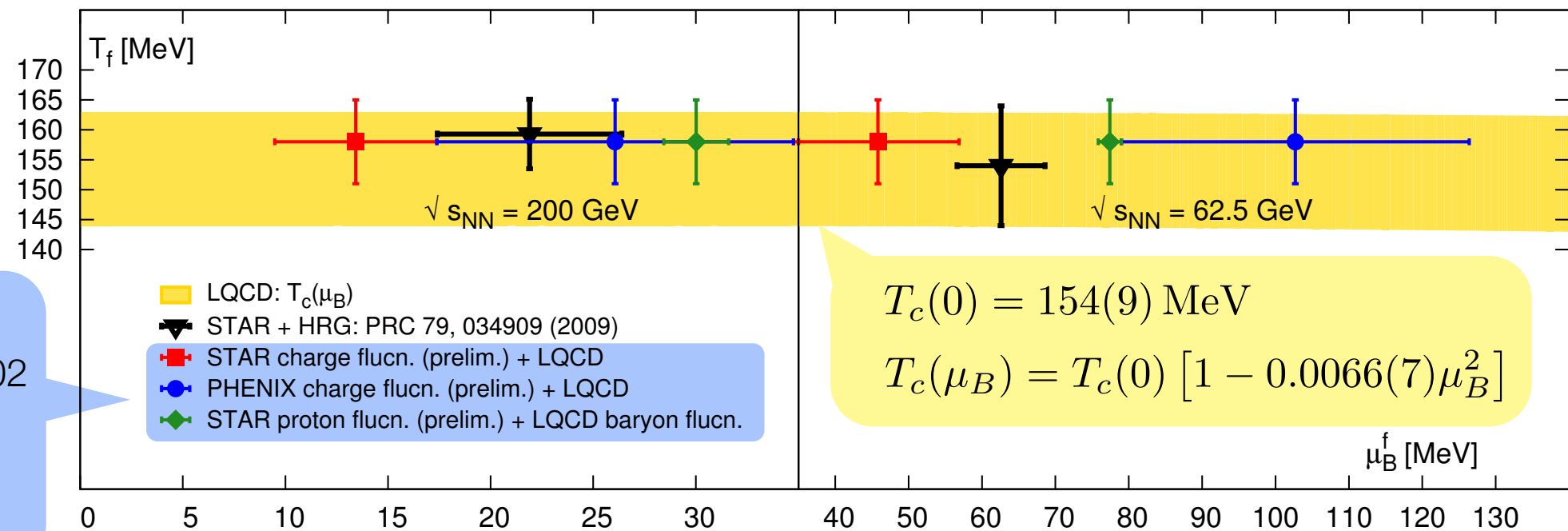
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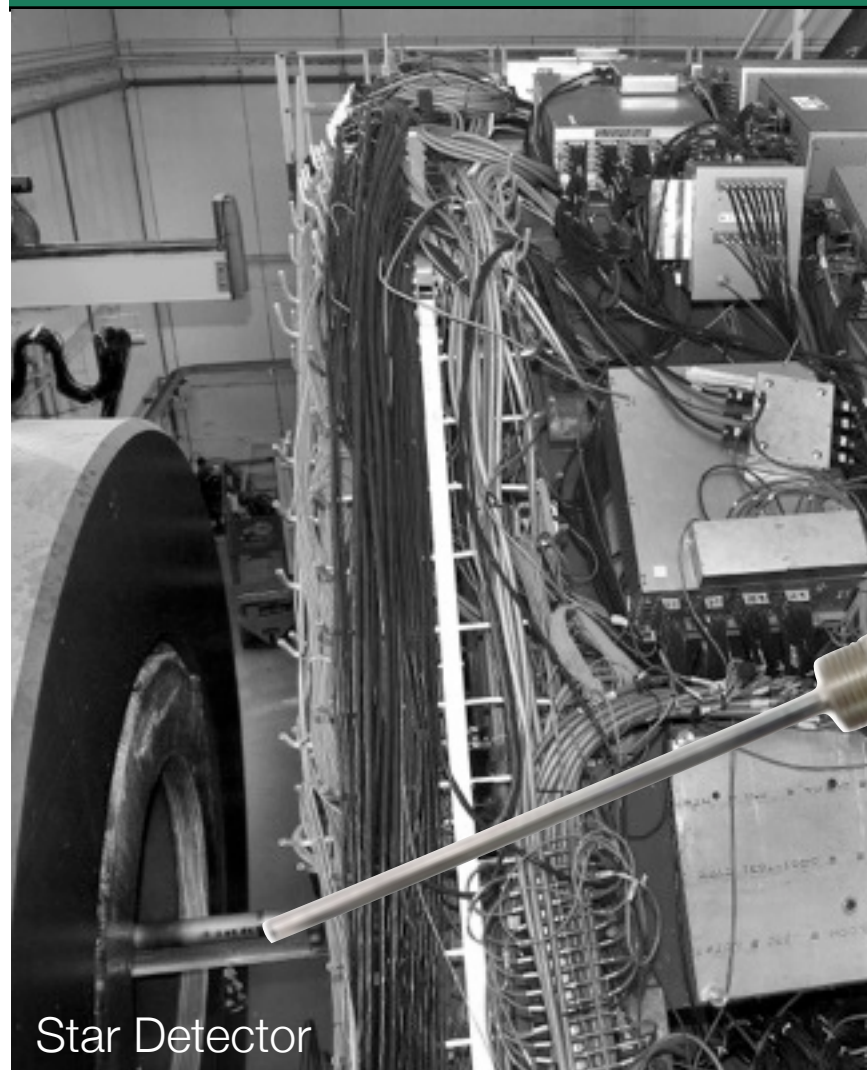
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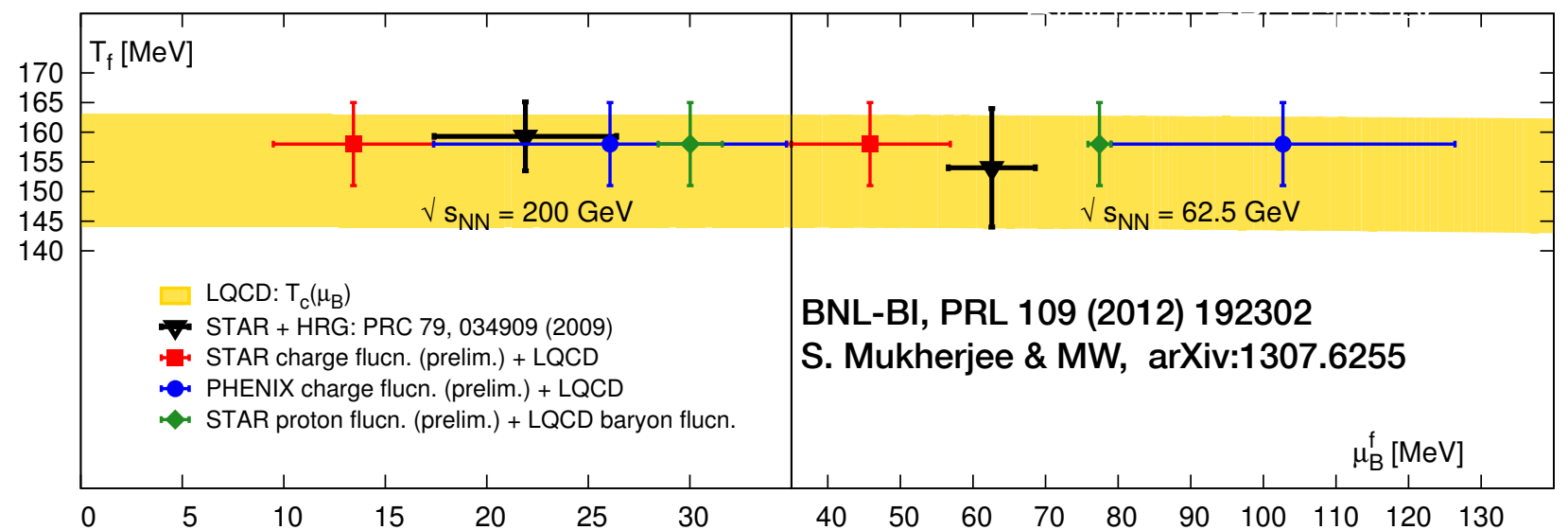


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 - need to check grand canonical approach (finite size effects, acceptance cuts)
 - addressed in the experimental analysis

Charge Fluctuations as Thermometer for Heavy-Ion Collisions



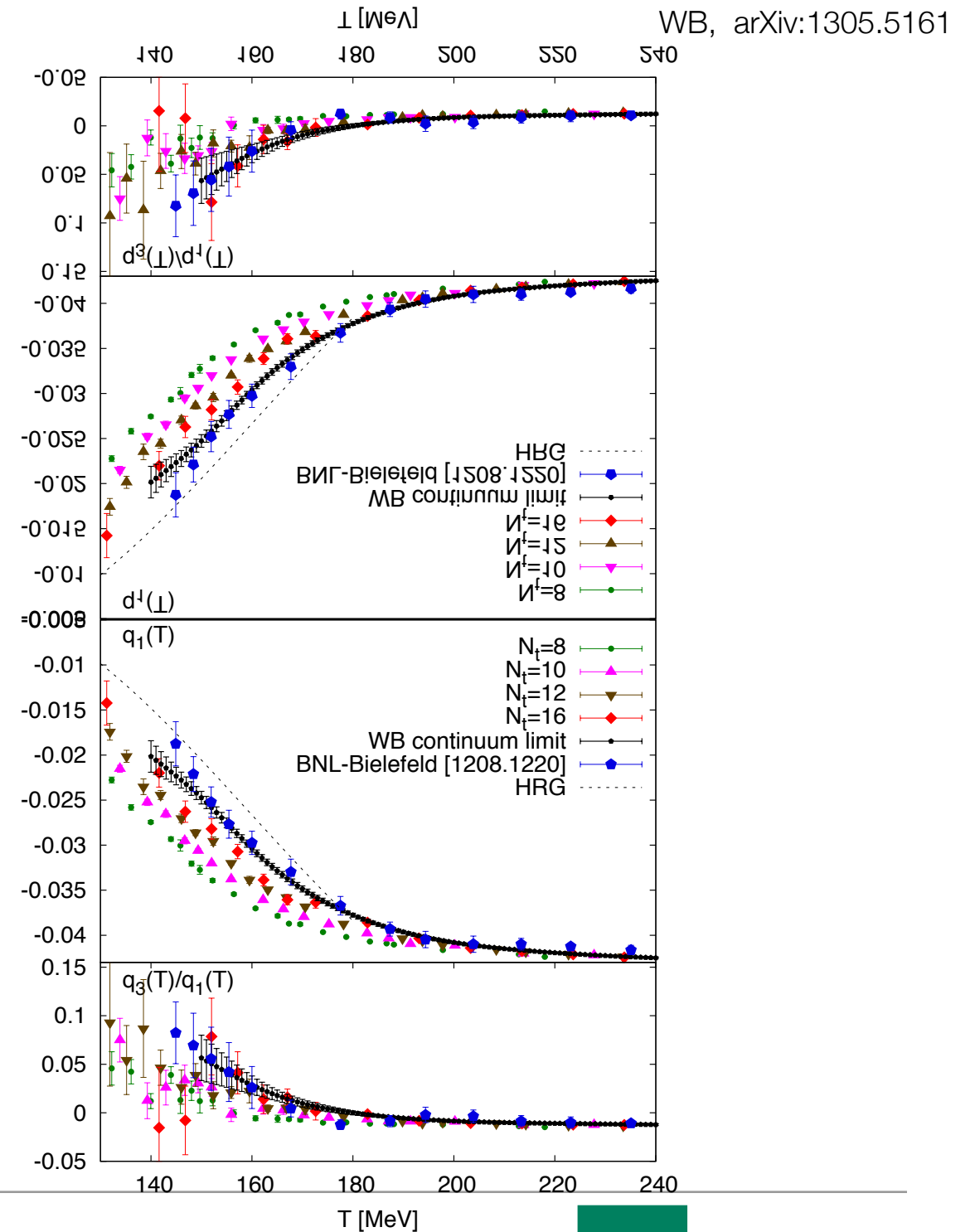
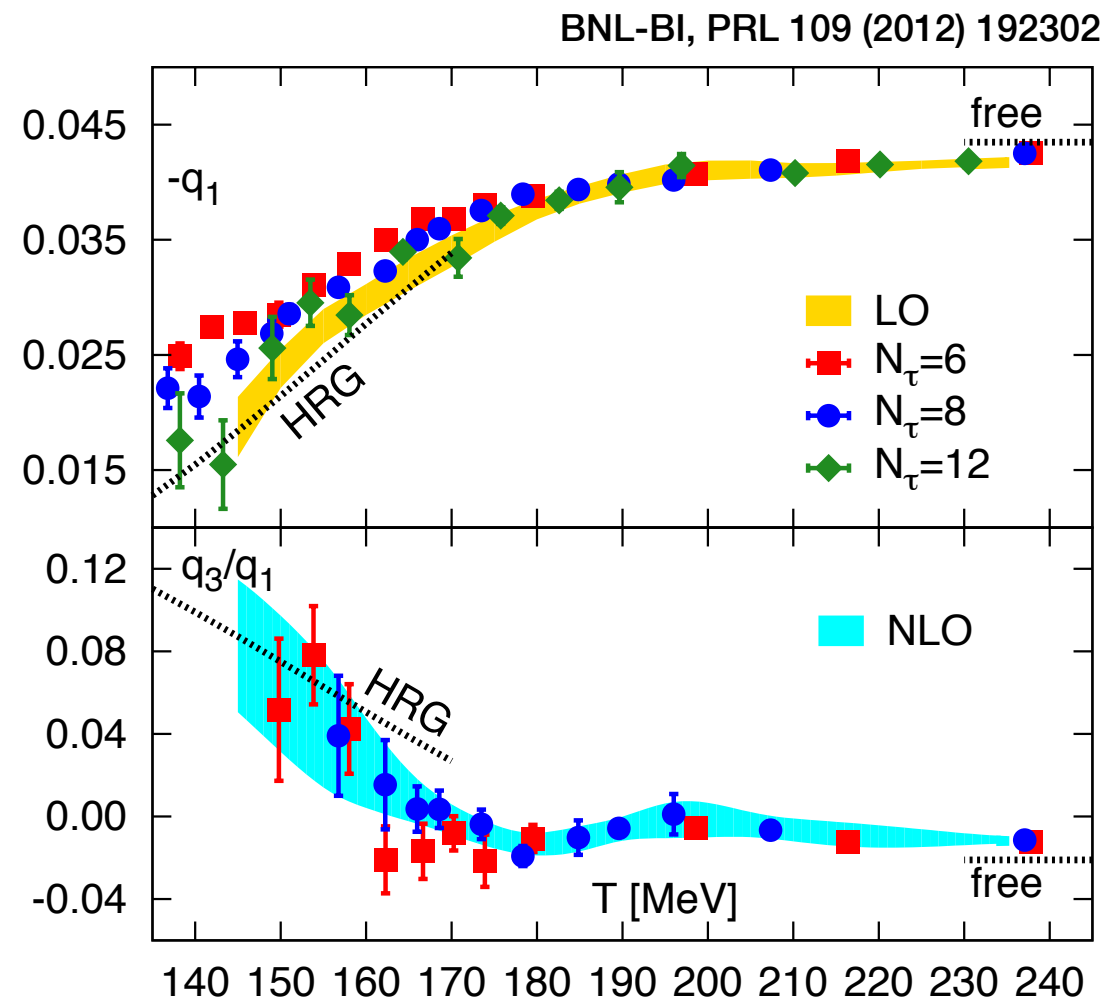
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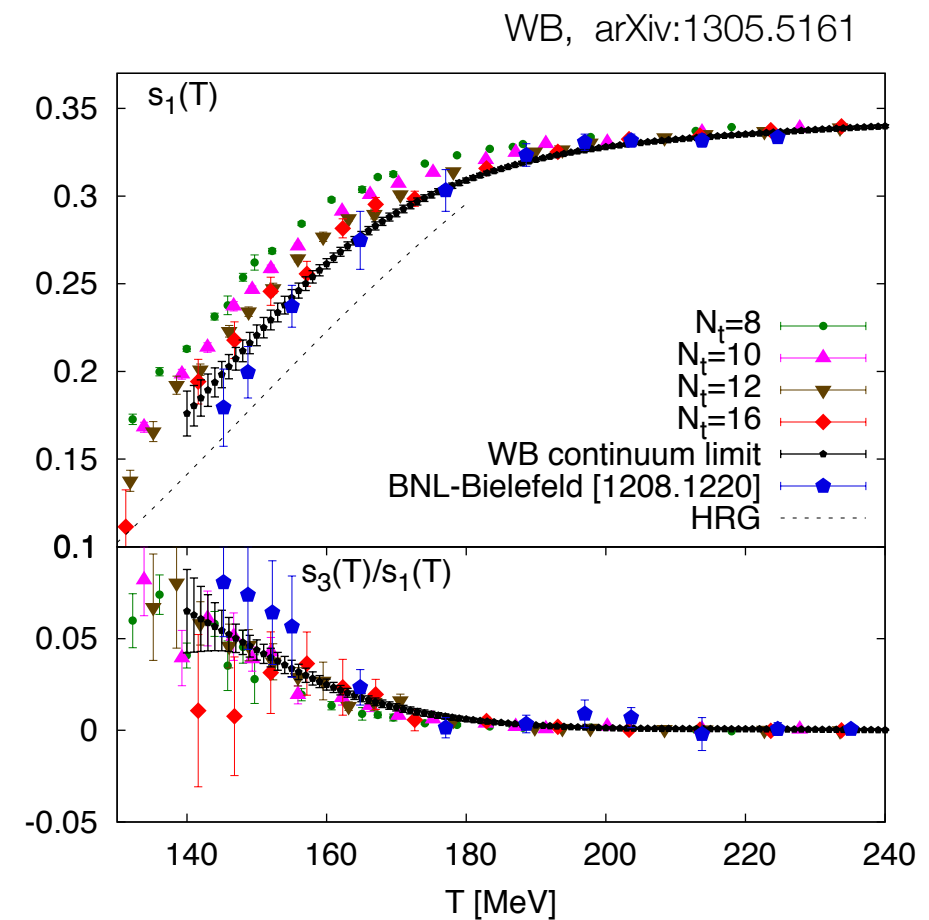
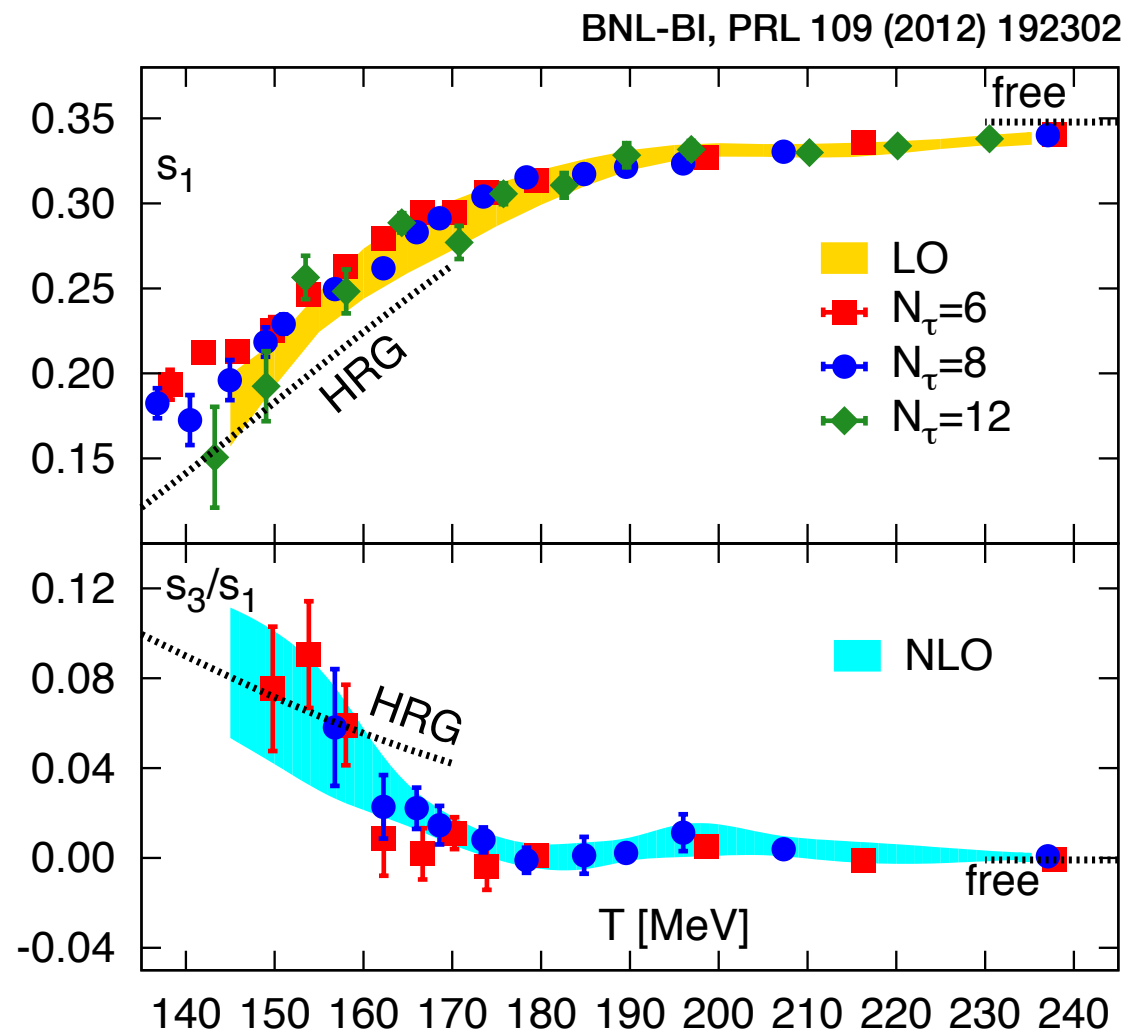
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Charge chemical potential



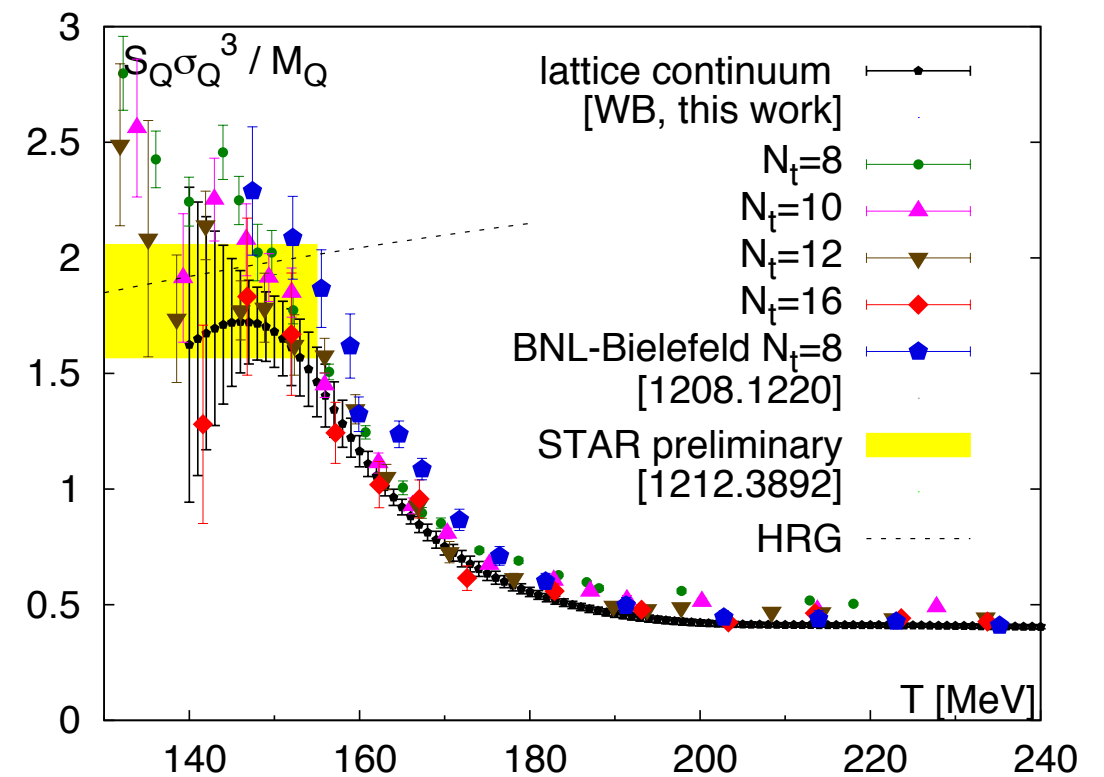
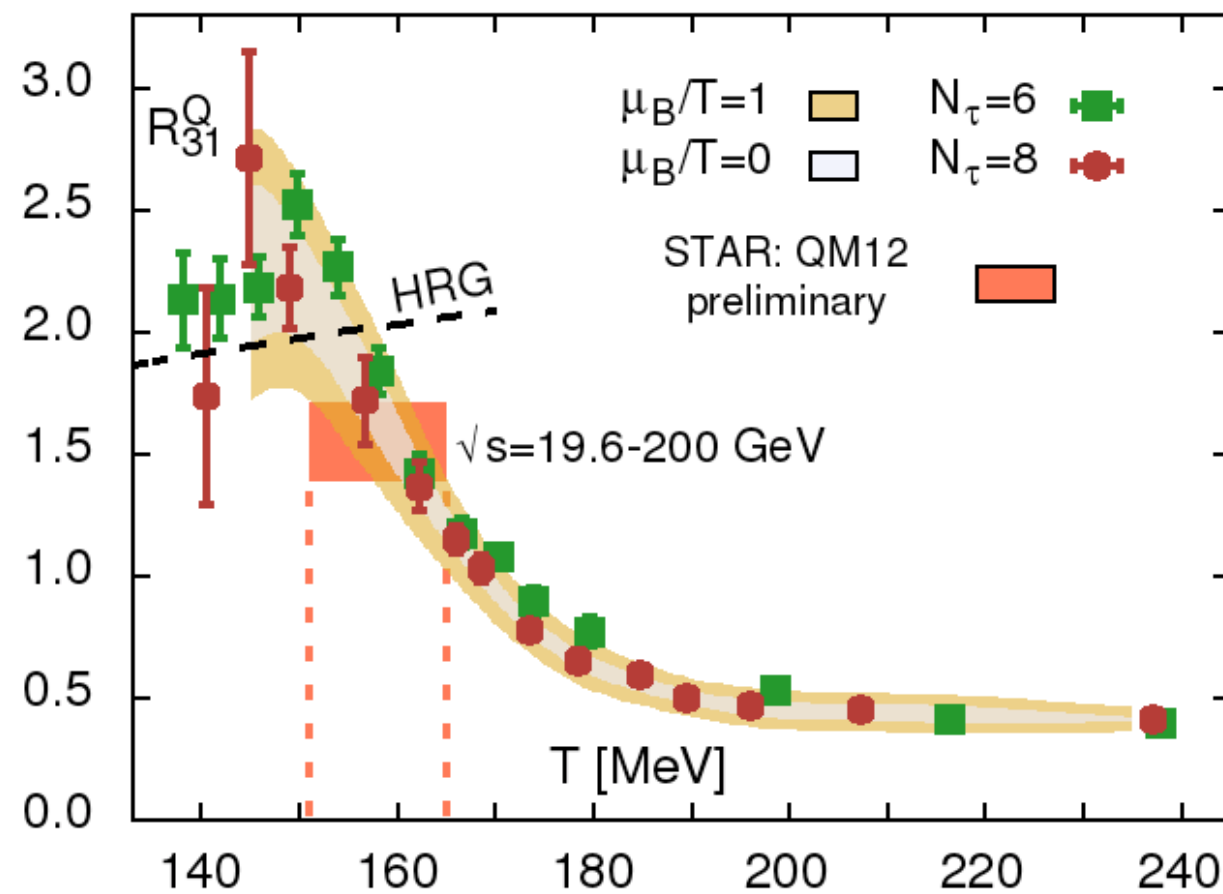
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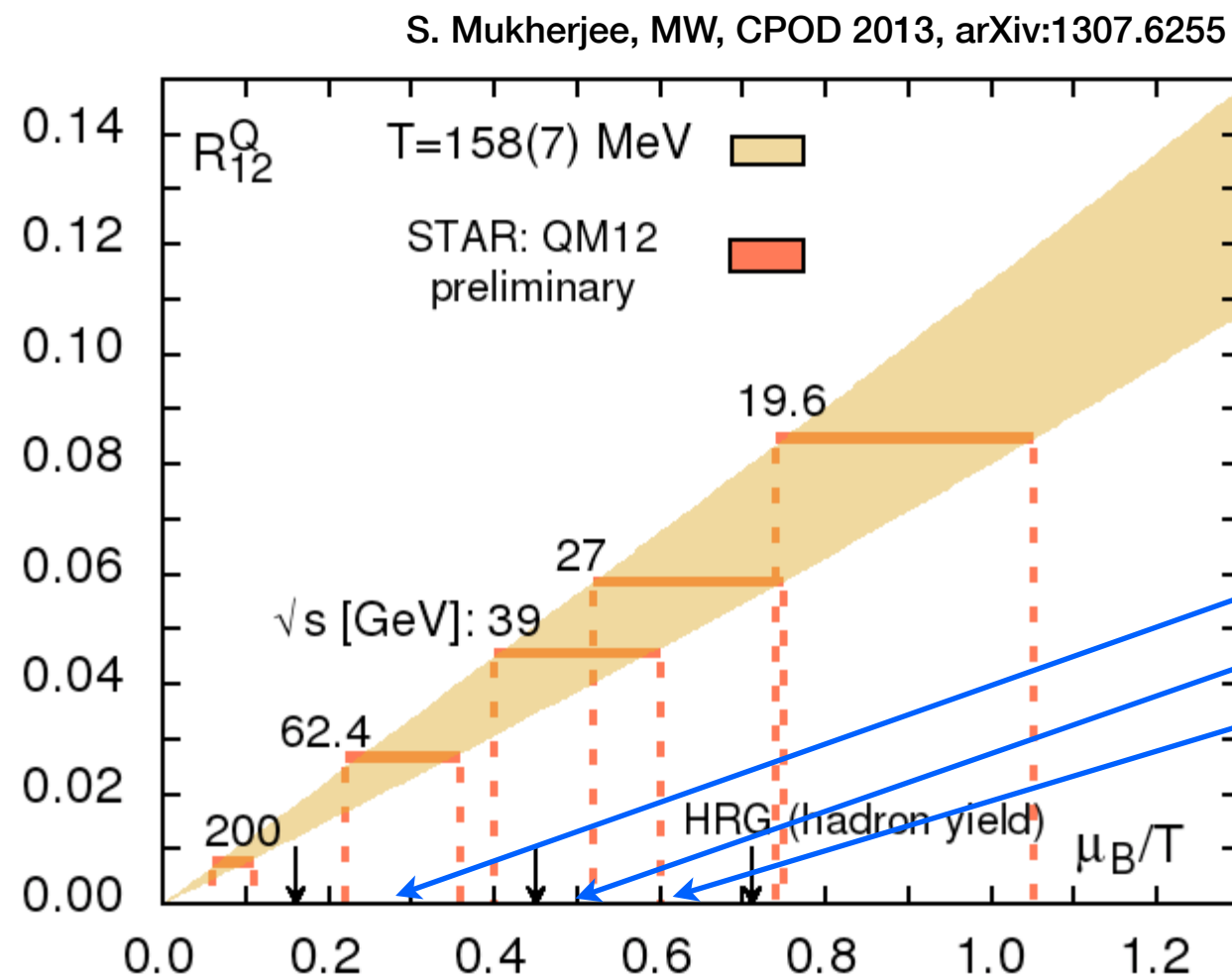
Freeze-out temperature

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Freeze-out baryon chemical potential



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$T \approx 145 - 160$ MeV

$\sqrt{s}$ [GeV]	μ_B^f [MeV]
62.4	44(3)(1)(2)
39	75(5)(1)(2)
27	95(6)(1)(5)
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