

ChPT, transport coefficients, and resonances

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Chiral Perturbation Theory

- For low energies, $\lesssim 1$ GeV, and low temperatures, $\lesssim 300$ MeV, we are in the **non-perturbative** regime of QCD. But in this regime, the chiral symmetry of QCD is spontaneously broken:

$$\chi \equiv \text{SU}(3)_L \times \text{SU}(3)_R \equiv \text{SU}(3)_V \times \text{SU}(3)_A \longrightarrow \text{SU}(3)_V .$$

- There, the degrees of freedom are the corresponding Goldstone bosons: **pions**, **kaons** and **eta**.

- Chiral symmetry is **non-linearly** realized on the Goldstone bosons: $U(x) \xrightarrow{\chi} RU(x)L^\dagger$

with $U(x) \equiv \exp\left(i\frac{\phi(x)}{F_0}\right)$, and $\phi(x) = \sum_{a=1}^8 \lambda_a \phi_a(x)$

Gell-Mann matrices
 $\in \text{SU}(3)_L$

Goldstone bosons
 $\in \text{SU}(3)_R$

$$\Rightarrow [Q_a^V, \phi_b] = if_{abc}\phi_c, \quad [Q_a^A, \phi_b] = g_{ab}(\phi)$$

a non-linear function

- ChPT lagrangian:** The most general expansion in terms of derivatives of the $U(x)$ field and masses which respects all the symmetries of QCD:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ChPT}} = \mathcal{L}_2 + \mathcal{L}_4 + \mathcal{L}_6 + \dots \quad (\text{infinite } \# \text{ of terms})$$

Leading and next-to-leading order lagrangians

- Leading order:

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = \frac{F_0^2}{4} \text{Tr}\{(\nabla_\mu U)(\nabla^\mu U)^\dagger\} + \frac{F_0^2}{4} \text{Tr}\{\chi U^\dagger + U \chi^\dagger\} .$$

- Next-to-leading order:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_4 = & L_1 (\text{Tr}\{(\nabla_\mu U)(\nabla^\mu U)^\dagger\})^2 + L_2 \text{Tr}\{(\nabla_\mu U)(\nabla_\nu U)^\dagger\} \text{Tr}\{(\nabla^\mu U)(\nabla^\nu U)^\dagger\} \\ & + L_3 \text{Tr}\{(\nabla_\mu U)(\nabla^\mu U)^\dagger (\nabla_\nu U)(\nabla^\nu U)^\dagger\} + L_4 \text{Tr}\{(\nabla_\mu U)(\nabla^\mu U)^\dagger\} \text{Tr}\{\chi U^\dagger + U \chi^\dagger\} \\ & + L_5 \text{Tr}\{(\nabla_\mu U)(\nabla^\mu U)^\dagger (\chi U^\dagger + U \chi^\dagger)\} + L_6 (\text{Tr}\{\chi U^\dagger + U \chi^\dagger\})^2 \\ & + L_7 (\text{Tr}\{\chi U^\dagger - U \chi^\dagger\})^2 + L_8 \text{Tr}\{U \chi^\dagger U \chi^\dagger + \chi U^\dagger \chi U^\dagger\} \\ & - iL_9 \text{Tr}\{f_{\mu\nu}^R (\nabla^\mu U)(\nabla^\nu U)^\dagger + f_{\mu\nu}^L (\nabla^\mu U)^\dagger (\nabla^\nu U)\} + L_{10} \{U f_{\mu\nu}^L U^\dagger f_R^{\mu\nu}\} \\ & + H_1 \text{Tr}\{f_{\mu\nu}^R f_R^{\mu\nu} + f_{\mu\nu}^L f_L^{\mu\nu}\} + H_2 \text{Tr}\{\chi \chi^\dagger\} . \end{aligned}$$

where the **energy and temperature-independent** constants $F_0, B_0, L_1, L_2, L_3, L_4, L_5, L_6, L_7, L_8, L_9, L_{10}, H_1, H_2$ are experimentally determined.

Perturbation Theory: Weinberg's Theorem

- Dimension D of a Feynman diagram:

$$\text{Rescaling : } \begin{cases} p_i \mapsto tp_i \\ m_q \mapsto t^2 m_q \end{cases} \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}(tp_i, t^2 m_q) = t^D \mathcal{M}(p_i, m_q) .$$

↖ amplitude of a diagram

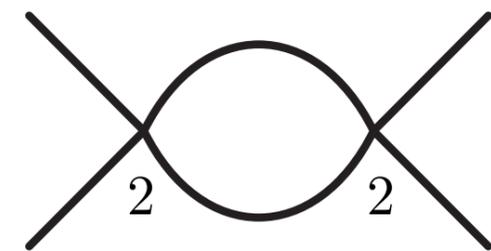
- Weinberg's Theorem:

$$D = 2 + \sum_n N_n (n - 2) + 2L .$$

↖ Number of vertices from \mathcal{L}_n

↖ Number of loops

Eg.,



$$= \mathcal{O}(p^4)$$

↖ $p = E, |\mathbf{p}|, T, M$

Perturbation theory against the scales: $\Lambda_\chi \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$ (for **momenta**), $\Lambda_T \sim 200 \text{ MeV}$ (for **temperatures**).

Transport coefficients in *hot* gauge and scalar theories

- In Linear Response Theory (LRT), a transport coefficient is given by:

[Jeon, PRD 52, 3591 (1995)]

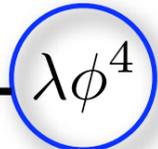
$$\mathcal{T} = C_{\mathcal{T}} \lim_{q^0 \rightarrow 0^+} \lim_{|\mathbf{q}| \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\partial \rho_{\mathcal{T}}(q^0, \mathbf{q})}{\partial q^0} .$$

[Arnold, Moore & Yaffe, JHEP 0011:011 (2000)]

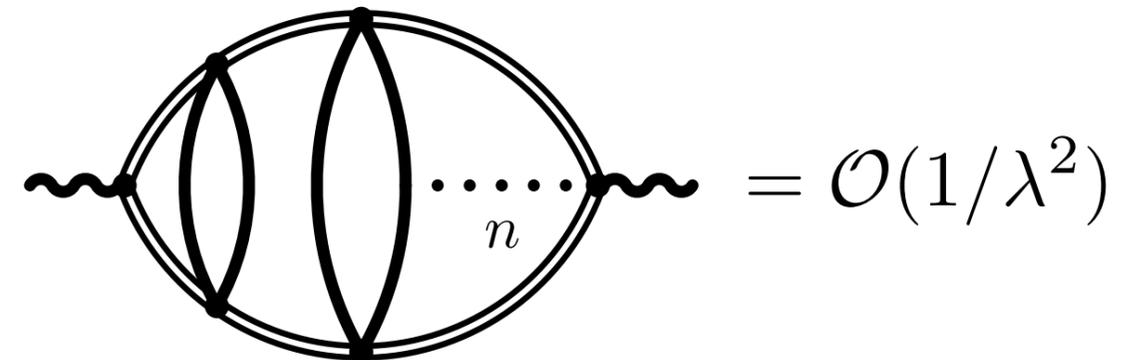
- For $T \gg m$, an infinite number of Feynman diagrams have to be summed, because of **pinching poles**:

$$G_{\text{adv}}(p^0, \mathbf{p}) G_{\text{ret}}(p^0, \mathbf{p}) \simeq \frac{\pi}{4E_{\mathbf{p}}^2 \Gamma_{\mathbf{p}}} [\delta(p^0 - E_{\mathbf{p}}) + \delta(p^0 + E_{\mathbf{p}})] , \quad \text{and } \Gamma \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2 T) .$$

 only for lines which share the same momentum



- The most harmful diagrams are the **ladder** ones:



- Bubble** diagrams turn out to be subdominant:

(but not for the **bulk viscosity**)



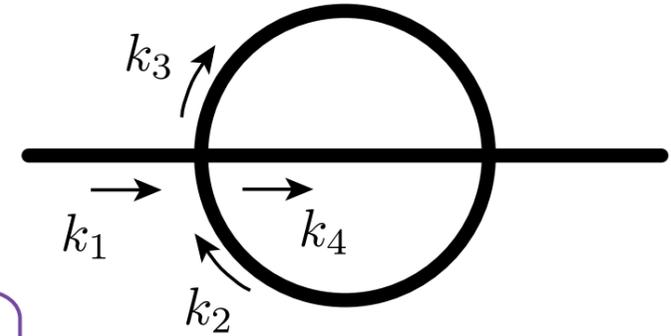
- Thus, resummation necessary in those theories. What happens in ChPT?.

Transport coefficients in ChPT

Particle width in ChPT

[Gomez Nicola & DFF, PRD 73, 045025 (2006)]

$$\Gamma(k_1) = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}_2}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-\beta E_2} \sigma_{\pi\pi} v_{\text{rel}} (1 - \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2) \sim \text{Im}$$



- Scattering cross section:

$$\sigma_{\pi\pi}(s) \simeq \frac{32\pi}{3s} [|t_{00}(s)|^2 + 9|t_{11}(s)|^2 + 5|t_{20}(s)|^2] .$$

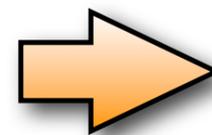
Unitarity and the Inverse Amplitude Method (IAM)

- ChPT violates the unitarity condition for high p : $S^\dagger S = 1 \Rightarrow \text{Im } t_{IJ}(s) = \sigma(s) |t_{IJ}(s)|^2$, with $\sigma(s) \equiv \sqrt{1 - 4M_\pi^2/s}$.

Because partial waves are essentially polynomials in p : $t_{IJ}(s) = t_{IJ}^{(1)}(s) + t_{IJ}^{(2)}(s) + \mathcal{O}(s^3)$.

- IAM:

$$t_{IJ}(s) \simeq \frac{t_{IJ}^{(1)}(s)}{1 - t_{IJ}^{(2)}(s)/t_{IJ}^{(1)}(s)} .$$

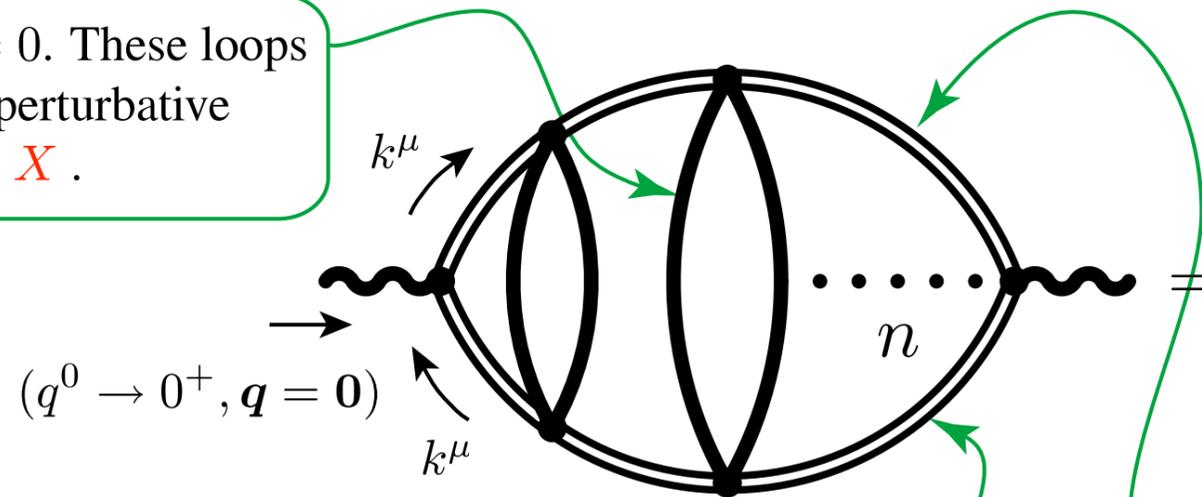


It verifies the unitarity condition exactly.

Diagrammatic analysis

● Ladder diagrams:

lines with $\Gamma = 0$. These loops (rungs) give a perturbative contribution $\sim X$.



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{O}(X^n Y), \\ \text{for } T \ll M_\pi \\ \\ \mathcal{O}(X^n Y^{n+1}), \\ \text{for } T \simeq M_\pi \end{array} \right.$$

If $T \gtrsim M_\pi$, $X \sim 1$, and derivative vertices become important \Rightarrow resummation may be relevant.

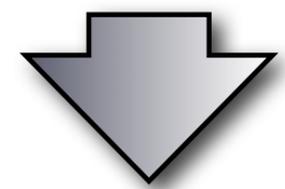
Eg., if we only consider constant vertices, for the DC conductivity:

For $T \ll M_\pi$, $Y \sim \sqrt{\frac{M_\pi}{T}}$, $X \sim \frac{1}{Y} \left(\frac{M_\pi}{4\pi F_\pi}\right)^2$.

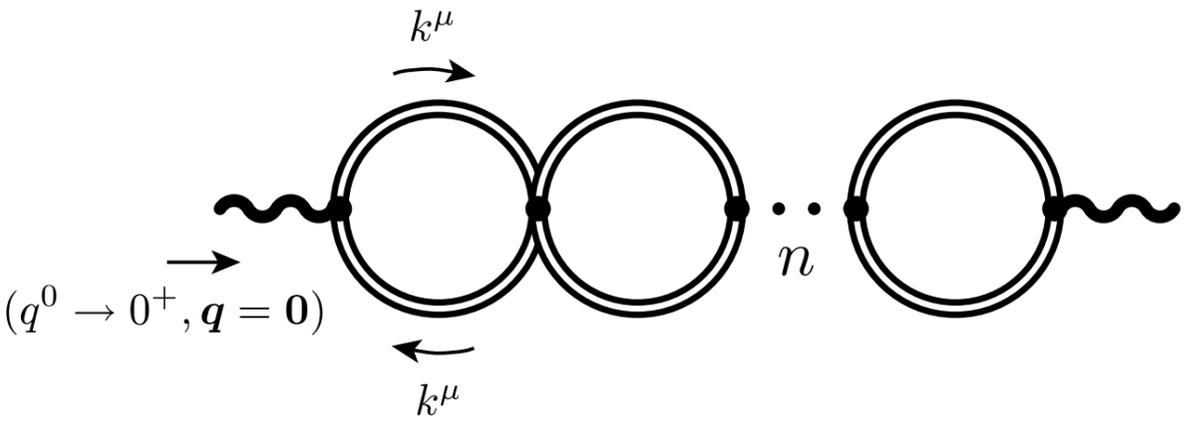
For $T \simeq M_\pi$, $Y \sim 1$, $X \lesssim \left(\frac{M_\pi}{4\pi F_\pi}\right)^2$.

each pair of lines with $\Gamma \neq 0$ and equal momentum give a pinching pole contribution $\sim Y$

pion decay constant

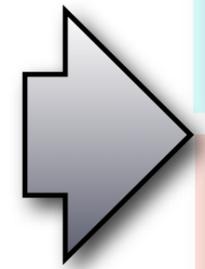


● Bubble diagrams:



$$= \mathcal{O}(B^{(0)} X^{n-1})$$

contribution from a simple bubble $\sim Y$



Weinberg's theorem does not give the correct order for TC at low T : $\mathcal{O}(p^{2n}) \gg \mathcal{O}(p^{4n})$.

This counting allows us to quickly obtain the functional form of TC at low T .

Electrical conductivity (pion gas)

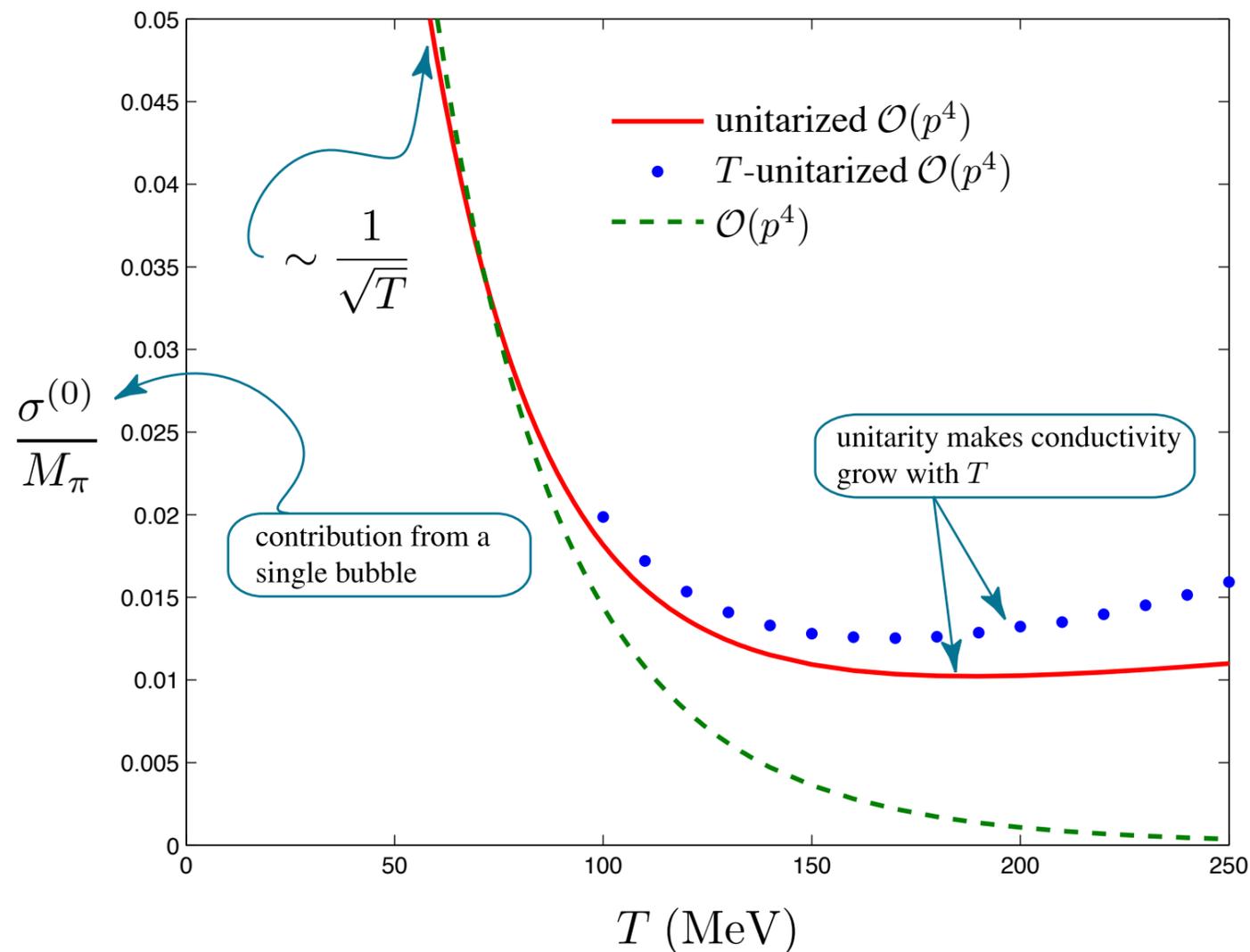
[Gomez Nicola & DFF, PRD 73, 045025 (2006)]

Kubo formula:

$$\sigma = -\frac{1}{6} \lim_{q^0 \rightarrow 0^+} \lim_{|\mathbf{q}| \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\partial \rho_\sigma(q^0, \mathbf{q})}{\partial q^0}, \quad \rho_\sigma(q^0, \mathbf{q}) = 2 \text{Im} i \int d^4x e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \theta(t) \langle [J_i(x), J^i(0)] \rangle.$$

electric current

Results:



According to Kinetic Theory (KT): $\sigma \sim \frac{e^2 n_{\text{ch}} \tau}{M_\pi}$, but $\tau \sim 1/\Gamma$, and $\Gamma \sim n v \sigma_{\pi\pi}$.

For $T \ll M_\pi$, $n \sim (M_\pi T)^{3/2} e^{-M_\pi/T}$, $v \sim \sqrt{T/M_\pi}$, and $\sigma_{\pi\pi}$ is a constant, $\Rightarrow \sigma \sim 1/\sqrt{T}$. ✓

$$T \ll M_\pi : \quad \sigma^{(0)} \simeq 15 \frac{e^2 F_\pi^4}{T^{1/2} M_\pi^{5/2}}$$

Application: soft-photon spectrum

- DC conductivity is related to the soft-photon spectrum emitted by the pion gas:

$$\omega \frac{dR_\gamma}{d^3\mathbf{q}} = \frac{1}{8\pi^3} n_B(\omega) \rho^\mu{}_\mu(\omega = |\mathbf{q}|) , \quad \Rightarrow \quad \omega \frac{dR_\gamma}{d^3\mathbf{q}} (\omega \rightarrow 0^+, \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{0}) = \frac{1}{4\pi^3} 3T\sigma(T) .$$

Ward identity: $q_\mu \rho^\mu{}_\nu = 0 \Rightarrow \rho_{00}(\omega \neq 0, \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{0}) = 0 .$

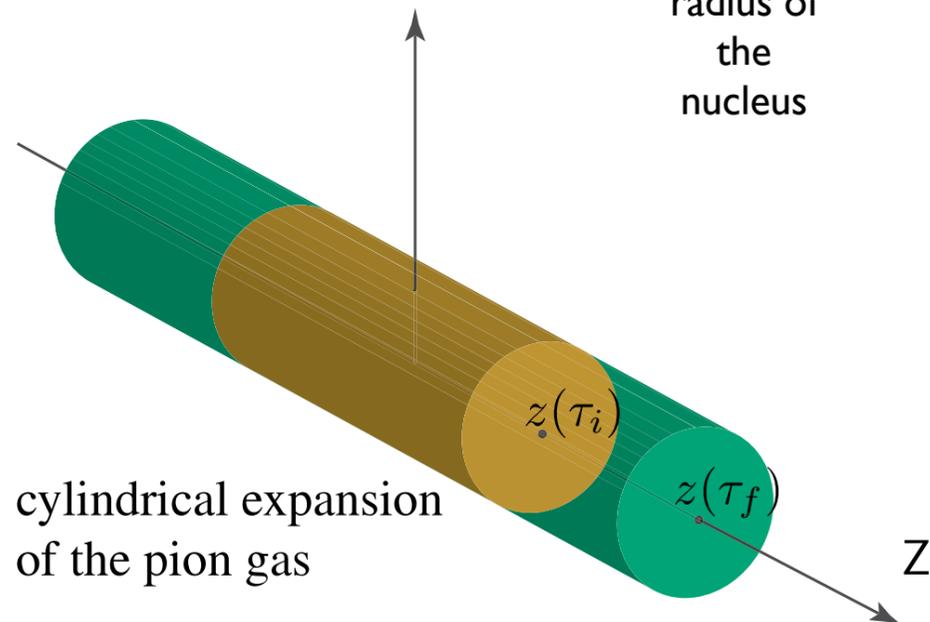
- Considering a Bjorken's hydrodynamical expansion:

$$\omega \frac{dN_\gamma}{d^3\mathbf{q}} (q_\perp \rightarrow 0) \simeq 2\pi R_A^2 \eta_{\text{nucl}} \int_{\tau_i}^{\tau_f} \frac{3T(\tau)\sigma(T(\tau))}{4\pi^3} \tau d\tau .$$

radius of the nucleus

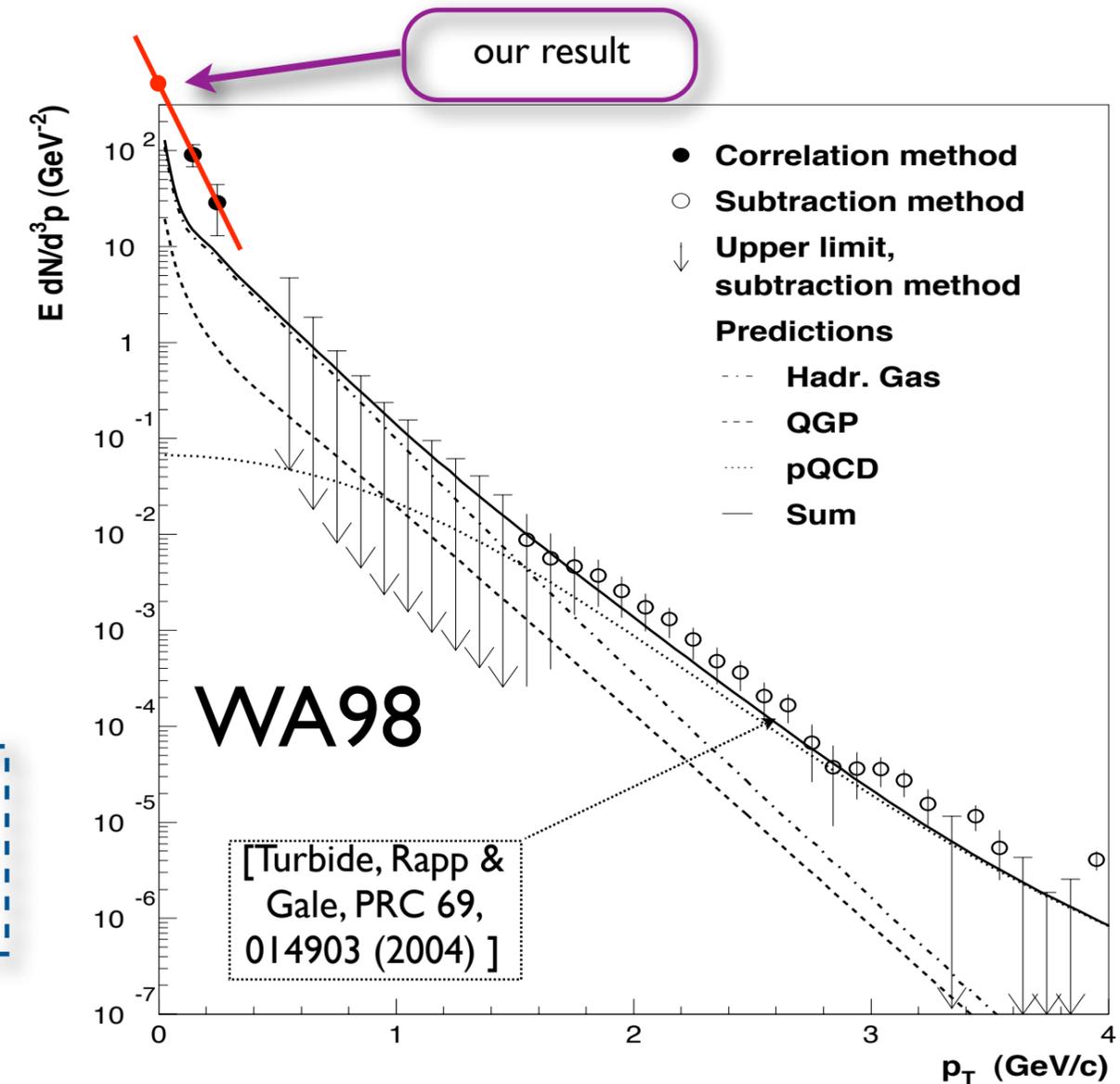
rapidity of the colliding nuclei

proper time



$\Gamma \neq 0$ important for low energies (LPM effect)

[Rapp & Liu, NPA 796, 101 (2007)]



Thermal conductivity (pion gas)

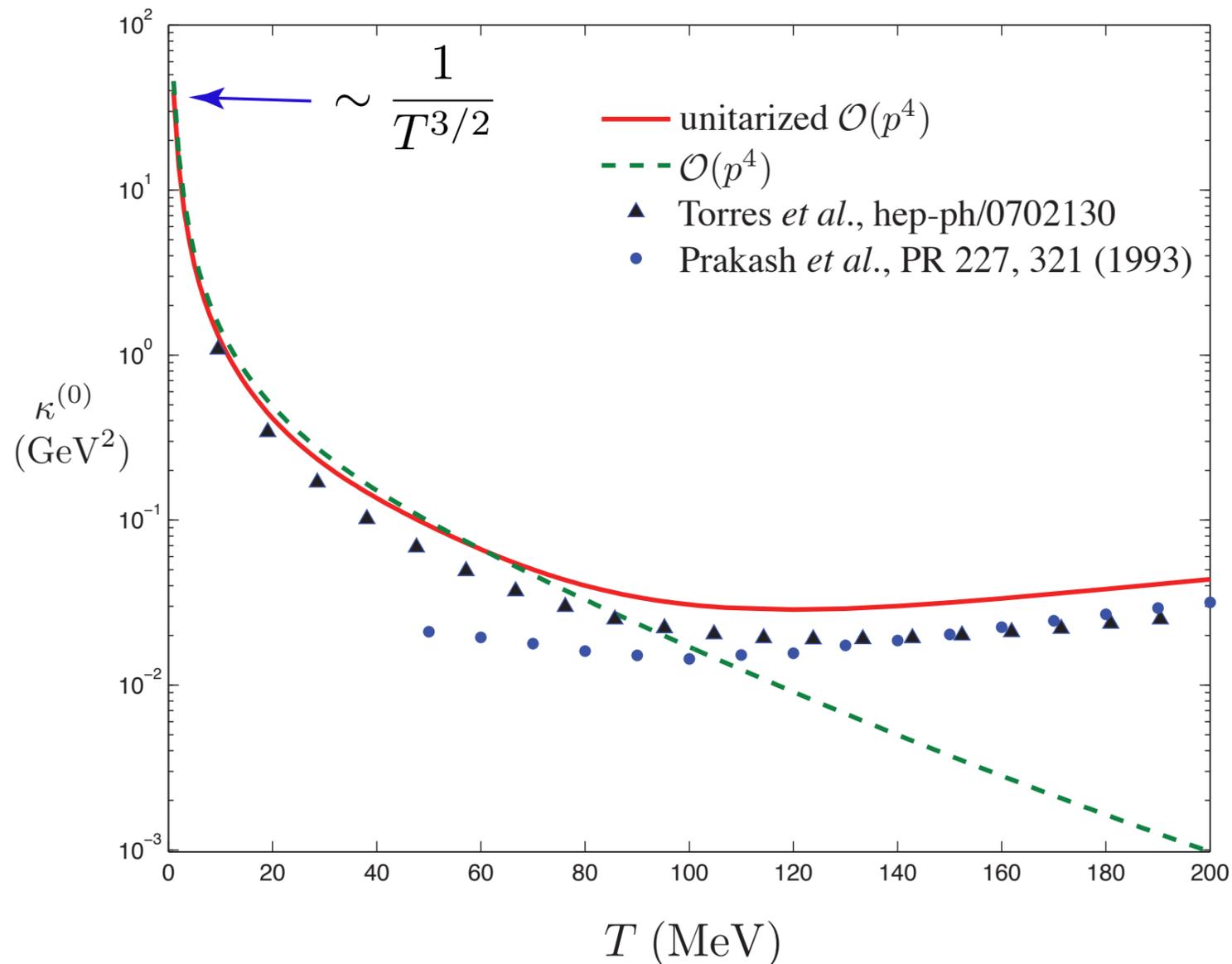
[Gomez Nicola & DFF, Int.J.Mod.Phys.E16:3010]

● Kubo formula:

$$\kappa = -\frac{\beta}{6} \lim_{q^0 \rightarrow 0^+} \lim_{|\mathbf{q}| \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\partial \rho_\kappa(q^0, \mathbf{q})}{\partial q^0}, \quad \rho_\kappa(q^0, \mathbf{q}) = 2 \text{Im} i \int d^4x e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \theta(t) \langle [T_{0i}(x), T^{0i}(0)] \rangle .$$

energy-momentum tensor

● Results:



From KT: $\kappa \sim c_p l v$.

For $T \ll M_\pi$, $c_p \sim T^{-1/2} e^{-M_\pi/T}$, \Rightarrow
 $\kappa \sim T^{-3/2}$. ✓

$$T \ll M_\pi : \quad \kappa^{(0)} \simeq 10 \frac{F_\pi^4}{T^{3/2} M_\pi^{1/2}}$$

Shear and bulk viscosities

- In presence of viscosities, the energy-momentum of the fluid is modified in the way:

$$T_{ij} = p\delta_{ij} - \eta \left(\partial_i u_j + \partial_j u_i - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} \right) - \zeta \delta_{ij} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} .$$

pressure
shear viscosity
bulk viscosity
velocity

- In LRT:

$$\eta = \frac{1}{20} \lim_{q^0 \rightarrow 0^+} \lim_{|\mathbf{q}| \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\partial \rho_\eta(q^0, \mathbf{q})}{\partial q^0} , \quad \zeta = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{q^0 \rightarrow 0^+} \lim_{|\mathbf{q}| \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\partial \rho_\zeta(q^0, \mathbf{q})}{\partial q^0} ,$$

with

$$\rho_\eta(q^0, \mathbf{q}) = 2 \operatorname{Im} i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \theta(t) \langle [\pi_{ij}(x), \pi^{ij}(0)] \rangle ,$$

$$\rho_\zeta(q^0, \mathbf{q}) = 2 \operatorname{Im} i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \theta(t) \langle [\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(x), \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(0)] \rangle .$$

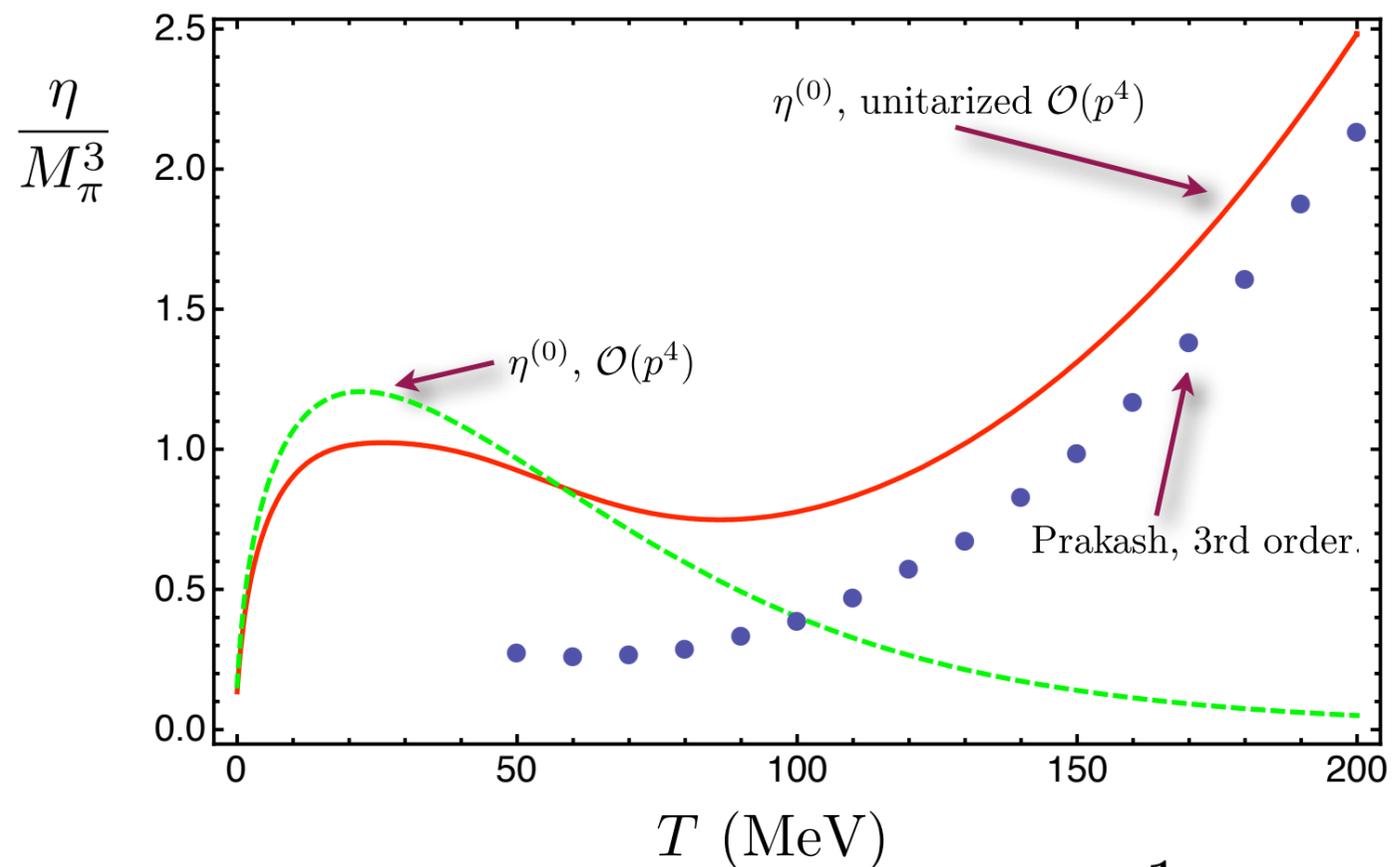
where

$$\pi_{ij} \equiv T_{ij} - g_{ij} T^l_l / 3 , \quad \tilde{\mathcal{P}} \equiv \underbrace{-T^l_l / 3}_{= \text{pressure}} - v_s^2 T_{00} .$$

$g_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(+, -, -, -)$
speed of sound in the fluid
= energy density

Shear viscosity (pion gas)

Results:

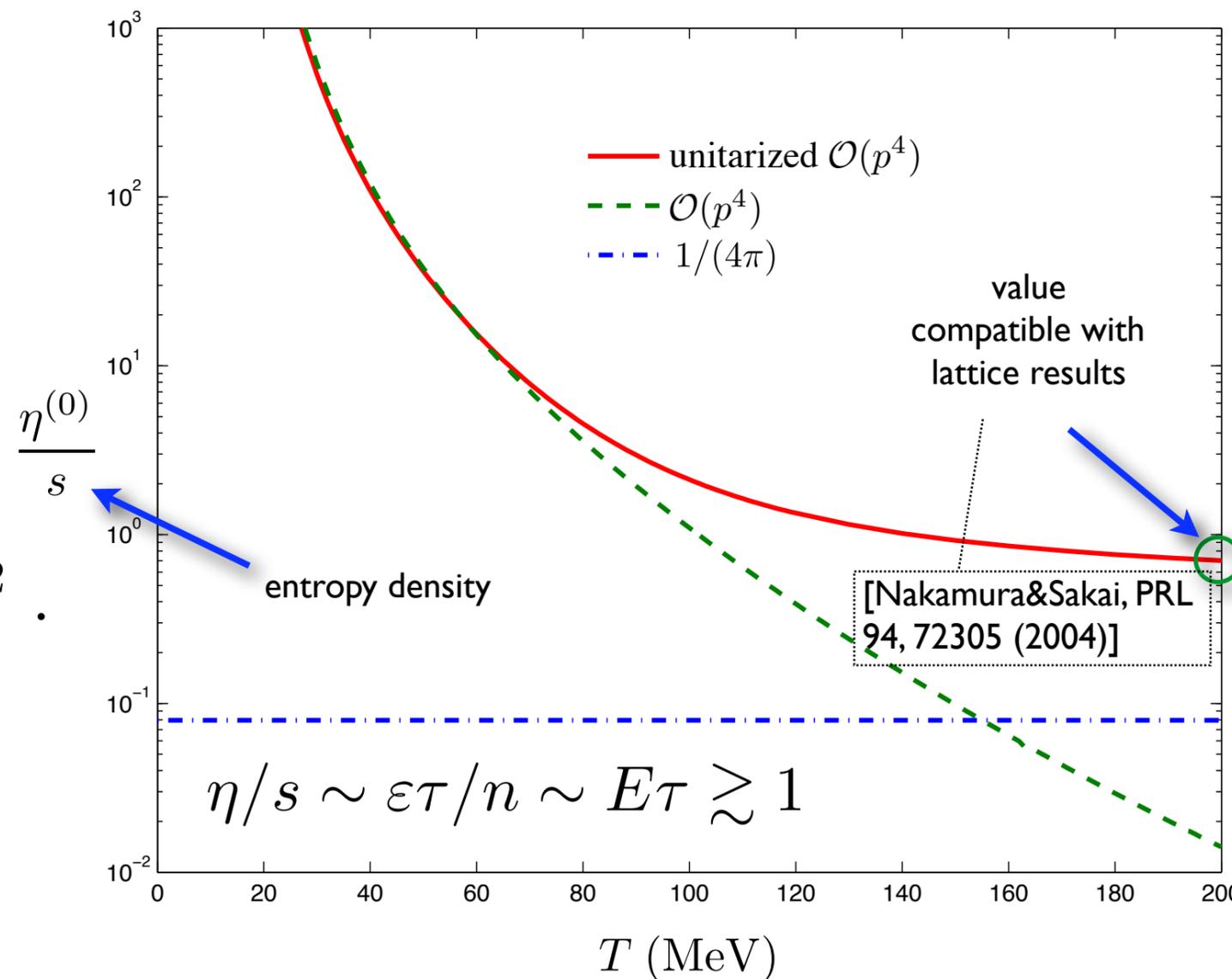


[Gomez Nicola & DFF, Int.J.Mod.Phys.E16:3010]

For η and ζ ladder diagrams could be important for $T < M_\pi$.

Good agreement with KT \Rightarrow cancellation of ladders?

AdS/CFT bound: [Kovtun, Son & Starinets, 05]



From KT: $\eta, \zeta \sim M_\pi v n l$, but $l \sim \frac{1}{\sigma_{\pi\pi} n}$.

So for $T \ll M_\pi$, $\eta, \zeta \sim \sqrt{T}$. ✓

Sound attenuation length: $\omega = v_s k + \frac{1}{2} i \Gamma_s k^2$.

Neglecting bulk viscosity, $\Gamma_s \simeq \frac{4\eta}{3sT}$.

At $T = 180$ MeV, we obtain $\Gamma_s \simeq 1.1$ fm.

[Teaney, PRC 68, 034913 (2003)]

Bulk viscosity and the trace anomaly

[Kharzeev & Tuchin,
arXiv:0705.4280
[hep-ph]; Kharsch,
Kharzeev & Tuchin,
PLB 663, 217 (2008)]

● Trace anomaly of QCD: $\partial_\nu J_{\text{dil}}^\nu = T^\mu{}_\mu = \frac{\beta(g)}{2g} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu} + (1 + \gamma(g)) \bar{q} M q$

● Bulk viscosity: $\zeta = \frac{1}{9} \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{\omega} \int_0^\infty dt \int d^3\mathbf{x} e^{i\omega t} \langle [\hat{T}^\mu{}_\mu(x), \hat{T}^\nu{}_\nu(0)] \rangle = \frac{\pi}{9} \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\rho(\omega, \mathbf{0})}{\omega}$

● Sum rule: $2 \int_0^\infty \frac{\rho(u, \mathbf{0})}{u} du = T_s \left(\frac{1}{c_s^2} - 3 \right) - 4(\epsilon - 3P) + \left(T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} - 2 \right) \langle m\bar{q}q \rangle^* - 4\langle T^\mu{}_\mu \rangle_0 + 6(M_\pi^2 + F_\pi^2 + M_K^2 F_K^2)$

● Ansatz: $\frac{\rho(\omega, \mathbf{0})}{\omega} = \frac{9\zeta}{\pi} \frac{\omega_0^2}{\omega_0^2 + \omega^2}$

$\langle \cdot \rangle^* \equiv \langle \cdot \rangle_T - \langle \cdot \rangle_0$

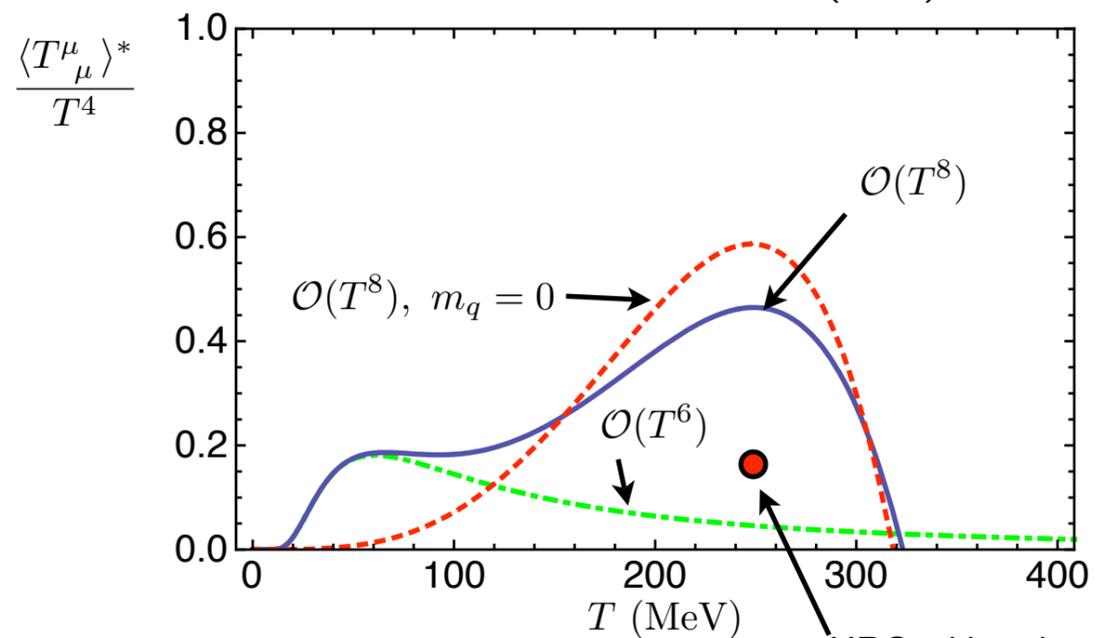
$$9\omega_0\zeta = T_s \left(\frac{1}{c_s^2} - 3 \right) - 4(\epsilon - 3P) + \left(T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} - 2 \right) \langle m\bar{q}q \rangle^* - 4\langle T^\mu{}_\mu \rangle_0 + 6(M_\pi^2 + F_\pi^2 + M_K^2 F_K^2)$$

$\langle T^\mu{}_\mu \rangle_T = \epsilon - 3P$

$\omega_0 \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$

Trace anomaly for a pion gas (in preparation)

From ChPT: $\langle T^\mu_\mu \rangle_T = T^5 \frac{d}{dT} \left(\frac{P}{T^4} \right)$



For $m_u = m_d = 0$:

$$\langle T^\mu_\mu \rangle^* = \frac{\pi^2}{270} \frac{T^8}{F_\pi^4} \left(\ln \frac{\Lambda_p}{T} - \frac{1}{4} \right), \quad \Lambda_p \sim 400 \text{ MeV}.$$

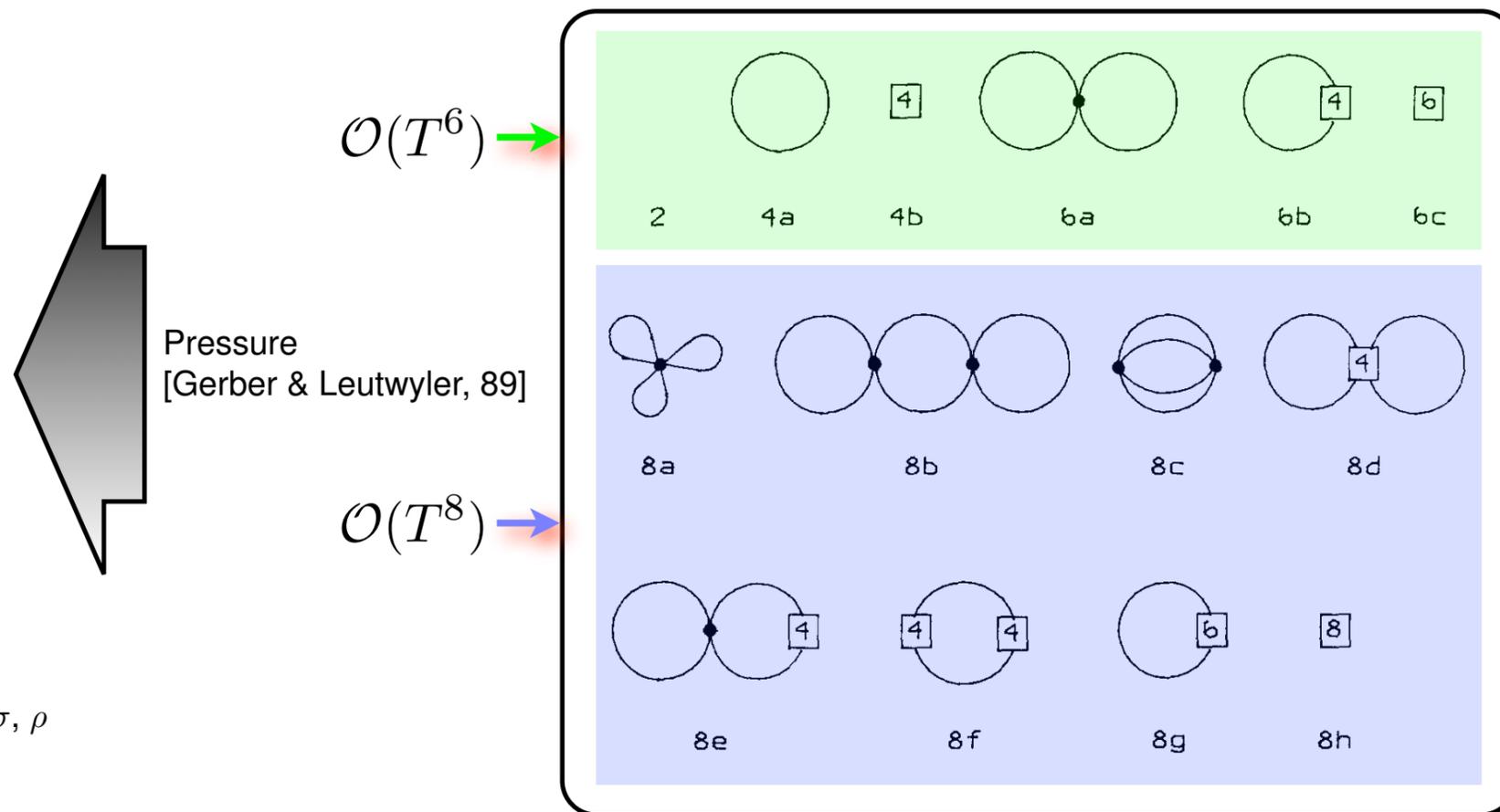
Hadron Resonance Gas & Lattice (2+1 q):

HRG approximation: all mesonic and baryonic resonances up to 2 GeV, **1026** in total, introduced as free states.

[Karsch *et al.*, 03]

$$\Delta \equiv \frac{\epsilon - 3P}{T^4} = \sum_{i=1}^{1026} \frac{\epsilon_i - 3P_i}{T^4}$$

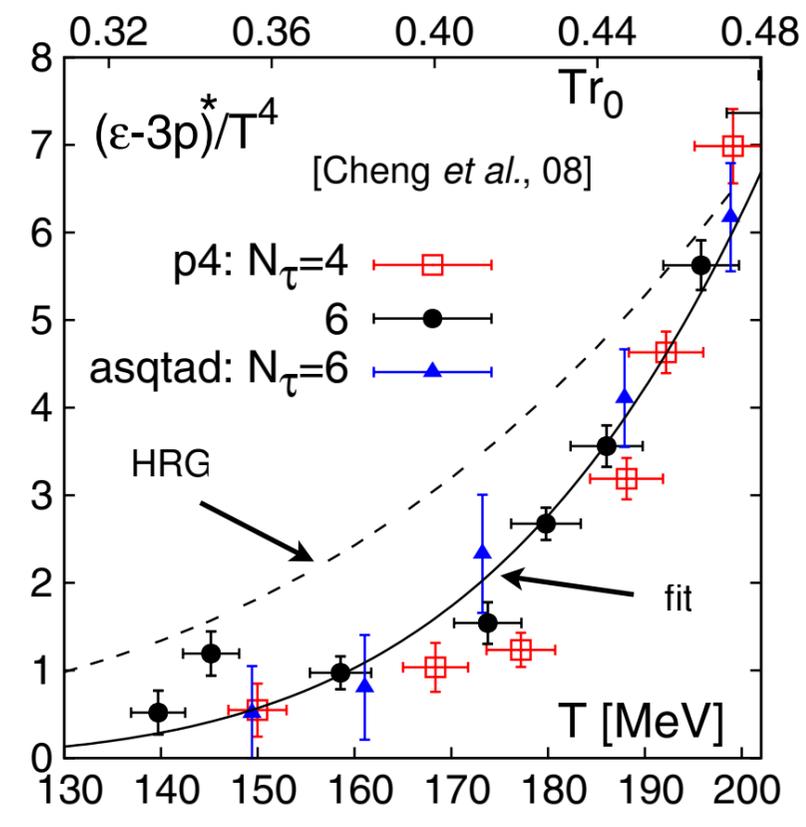
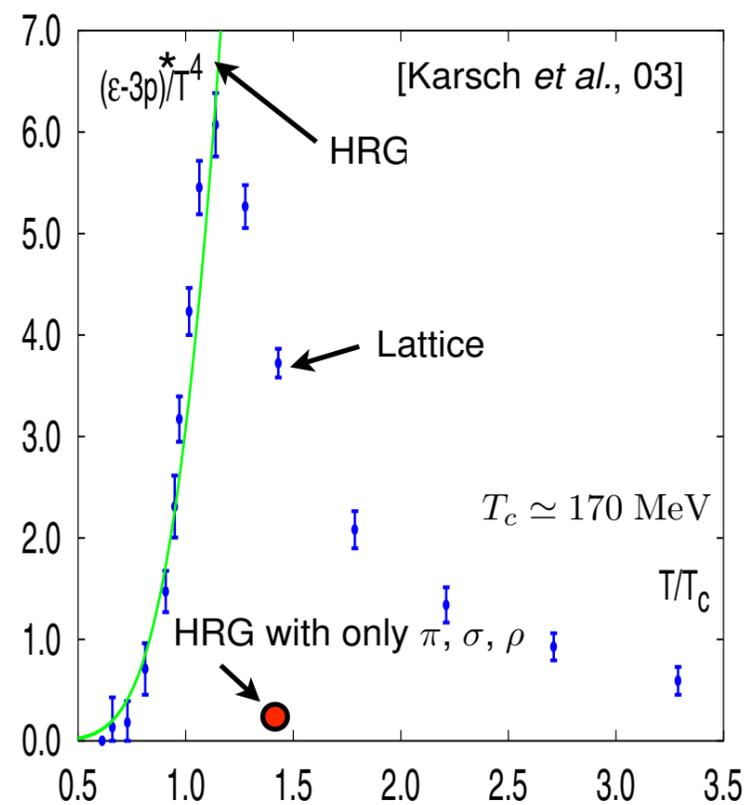
$$\stackrel{*}{=} \sum_{i=1}^{1026} \frac{g_i}{2\pi^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-\eta)^{k+1} \frac{(\beta m_i)^3}{k} K_1(k\beta m_i)$$



Pressure [Gerber & Leutwyler, 89]

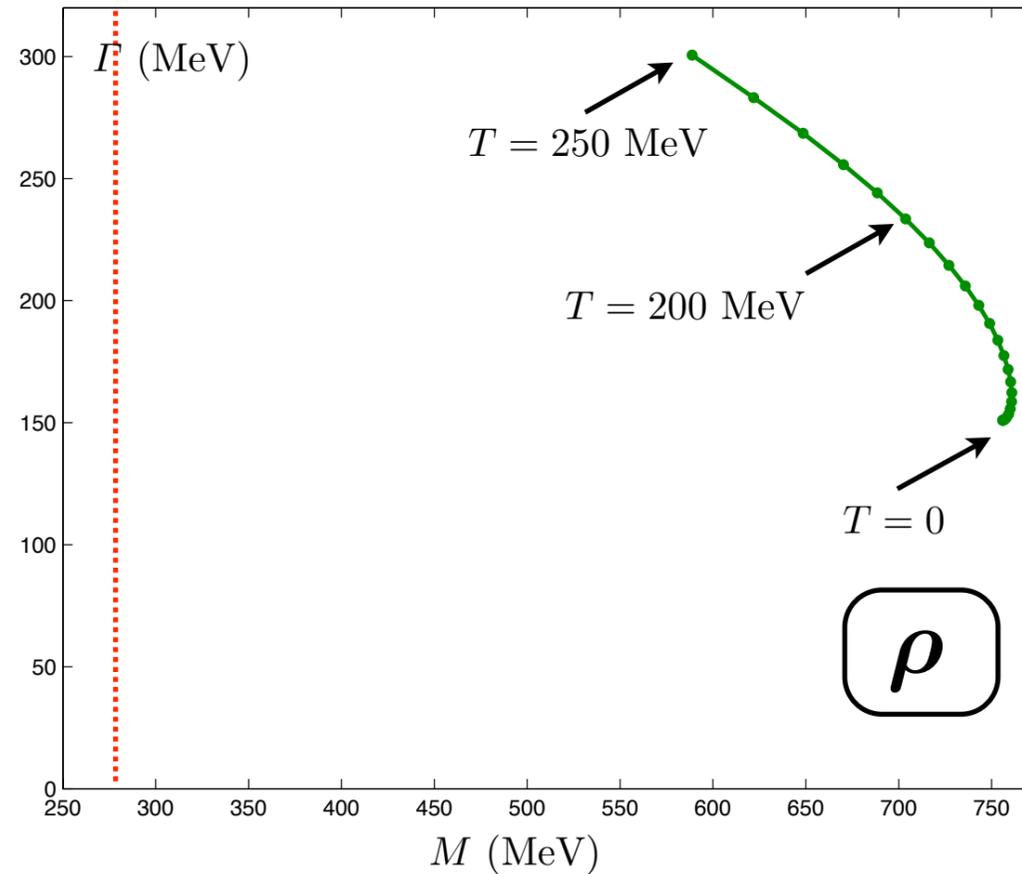
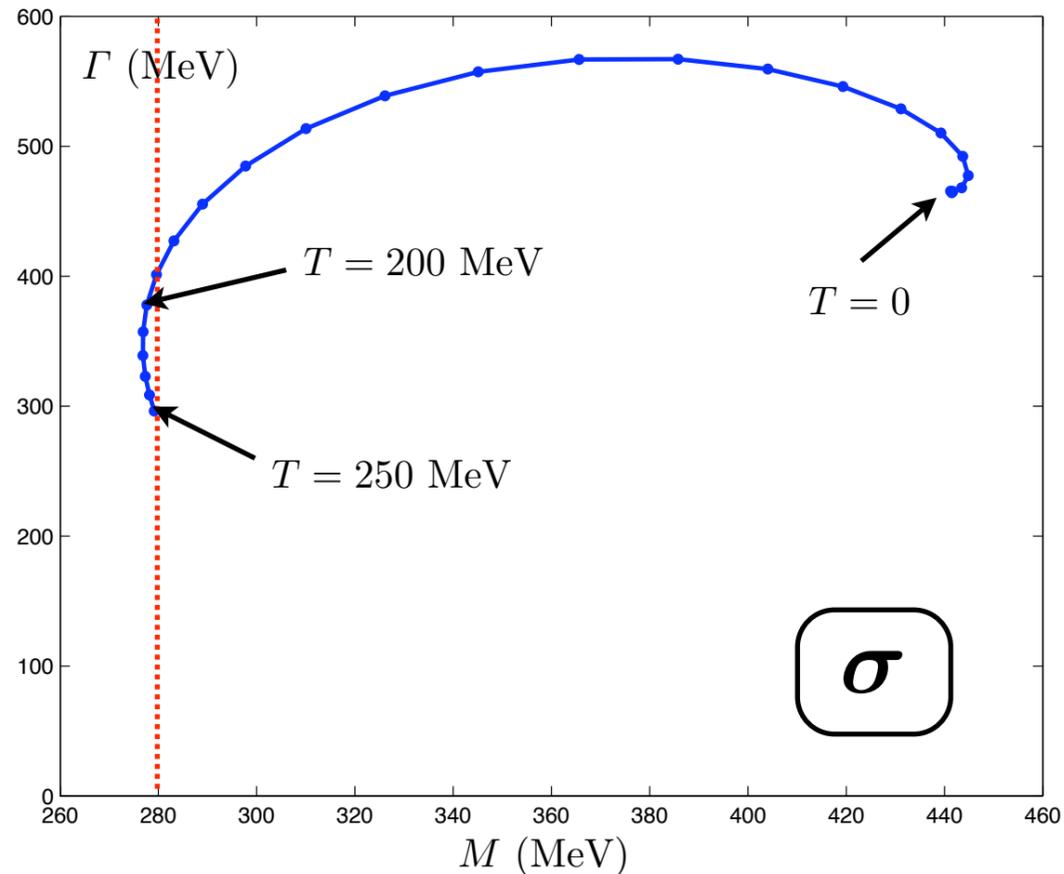
$\mathcal{O}(T^6)$

$\mathcal{O}(T^8)$



Behavior of the σ and ρ resonances in medium

Finite temperature:



[Gomez Nicola, Herruzo & DFF, PRD 76, 085020 (2007)]

For an improved study of temperature and nuclear density effects for the σ using the [Bethe-Salpeter eq.](#) see



[Cabrera, Gomez Nicola, & DFF, about to send it to arXiv]

Finite nuclear density:

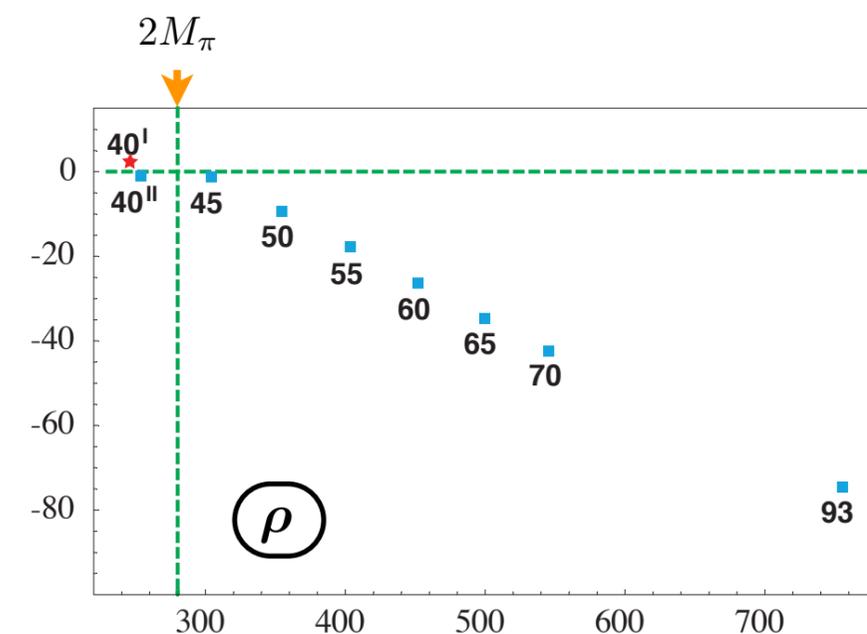
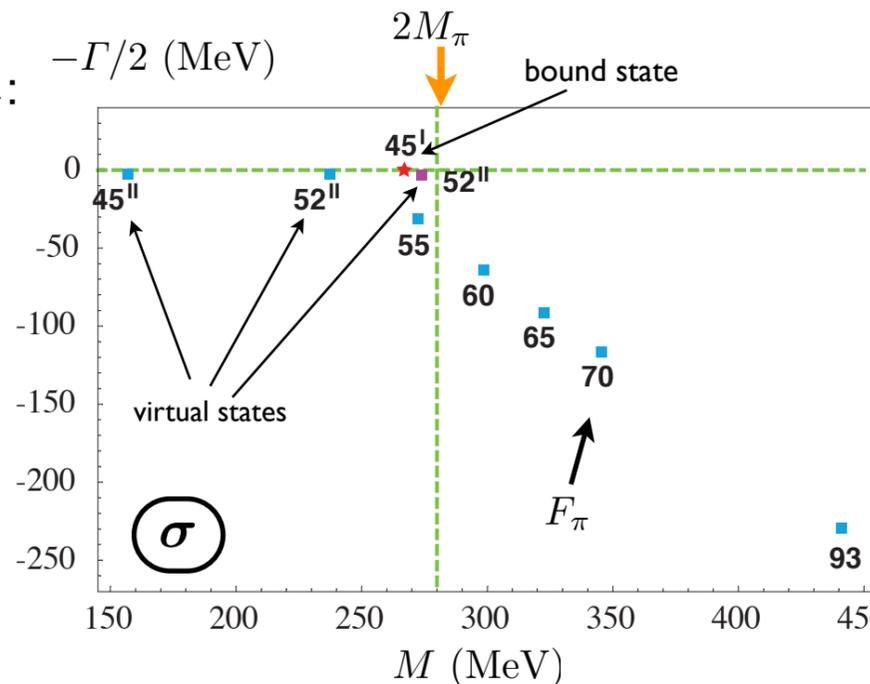
We can encode approximately nuclear density effects in F_π :

[Thorsson & Wirzba, NPA 589, 633 (1995)]

$$\frac{F_\pi^2(\rho)}{F_\pi^2} \simeq \frac{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle(\rho)}{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle(0)} \simeq \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_{\pi N}}{M_\pi^2 F_\pi^2} \rho \right) + \mathcal{O}(M_\pi)$$

$$\simeq \left(1 - 0.35 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right) + \mathcal{O}(M_\pi),$$

where $\sigma_{\pi N} \simeq 45$ MeV, and $\rho_0 \simeq 0.17$ fm⁻³.



The role of resonances in the trace anomaly and the bulk viscosity (in prep.)

- Trace anomaly:

Virial Gas Approximation (dilute system):

$$\beta P = \sum_i \left(B_i^{(1)} \xi_i + B_i^{(2)} \xi_i^2 + \sum_{j \geq i} B_{\text{int}} \xi_i \xi_j + \dots \right)$$

$$\xi_i \equiv e^{\beta(\mu_i - m_i)}, \quad B_i^{(n)} = \frac{g_i \eta_i^{n+1}}{2\pi^2 n} \int_0^\infty dp p^2 e^{-n\beta(E_i - m_i)}$$

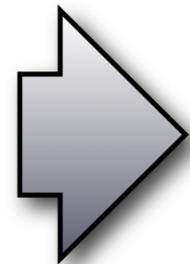
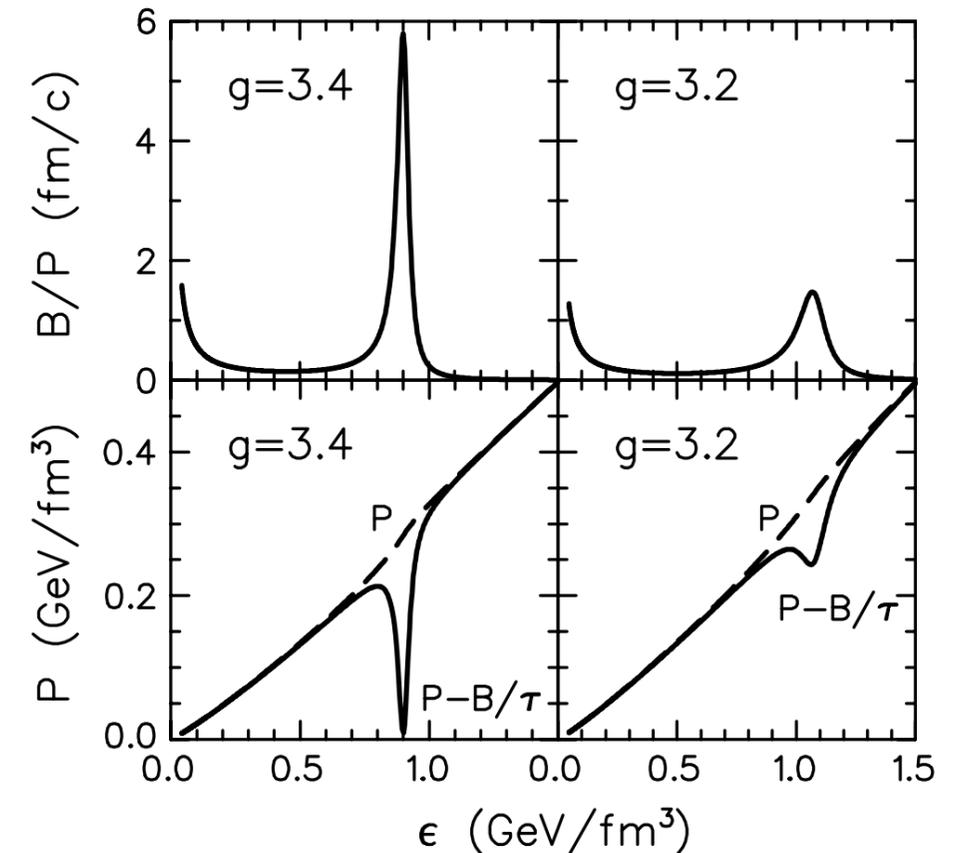
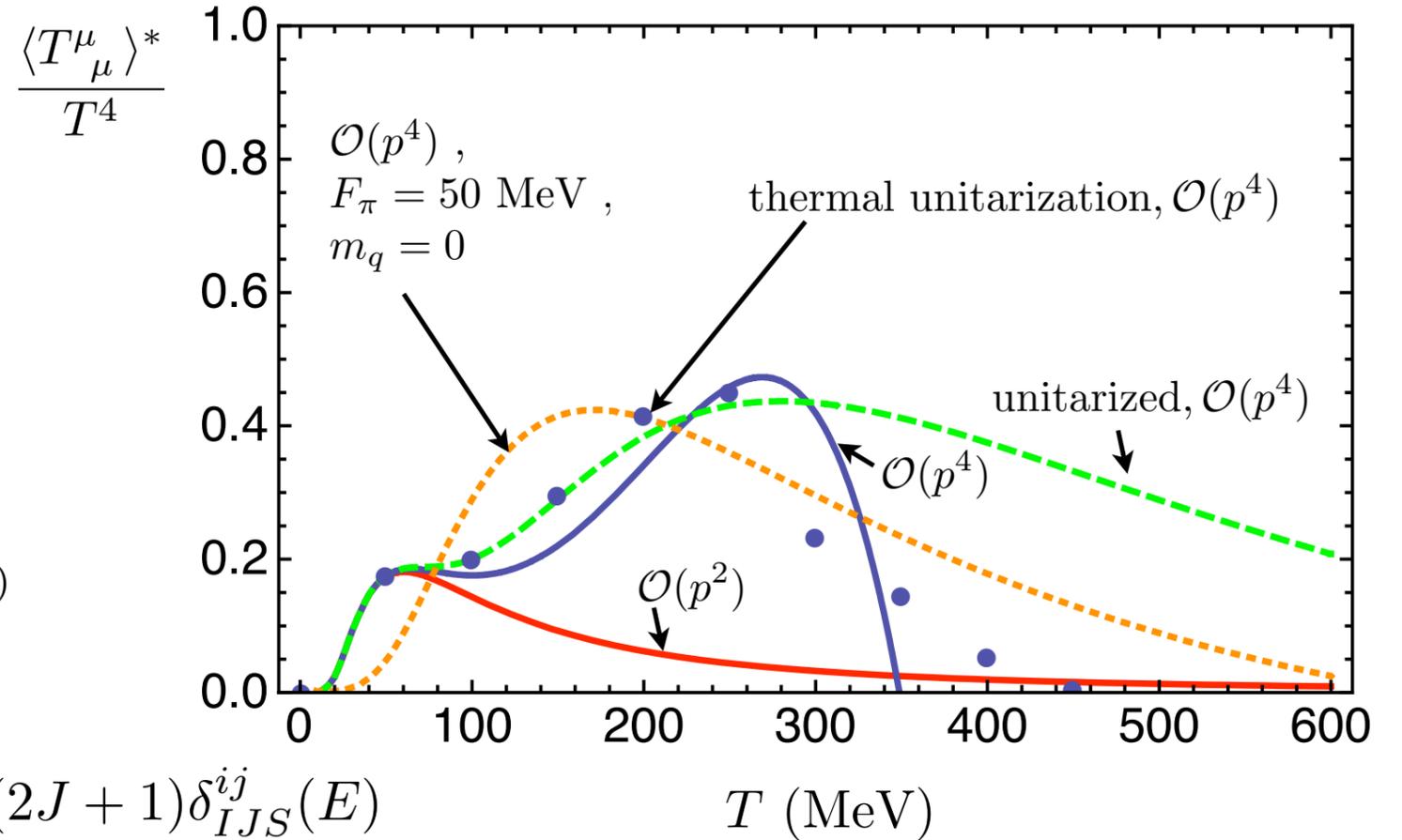
$$B_{ij}^{\text{int}} = \frac{e^{\beta(m_i + m_j)}}{2\pi^3} \int_{m_i + m_j}^\infty dE E^2 K_1(\beta E) \sum_{I, J, S} (2I + 1)(2J + 1) \delta_{IJS}^{ij}(E)$$

Therefore, according to the sum rule, we do **not** expect a big effect in the bulk viscosity from in-medium resonances.

- Bulk viscosity in the linear sigma model:

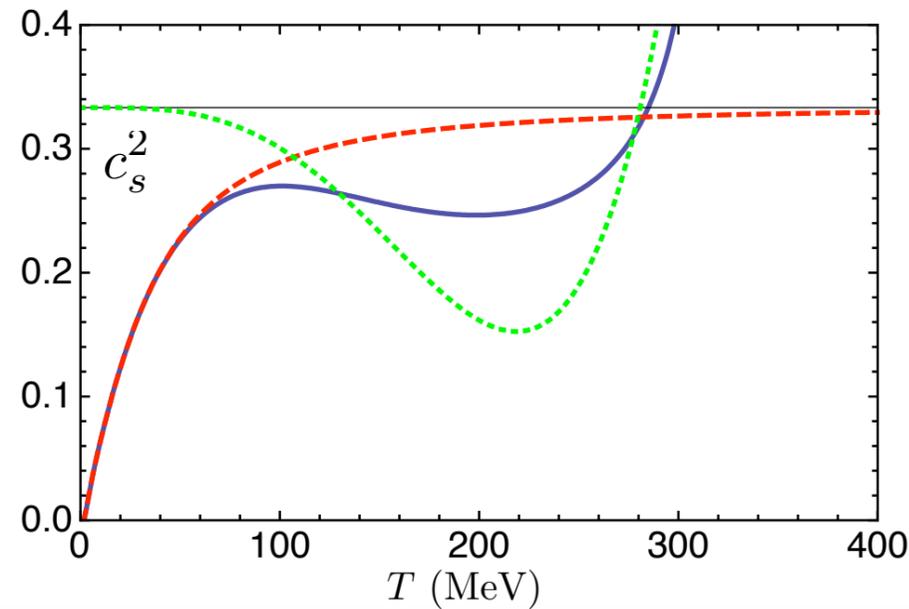
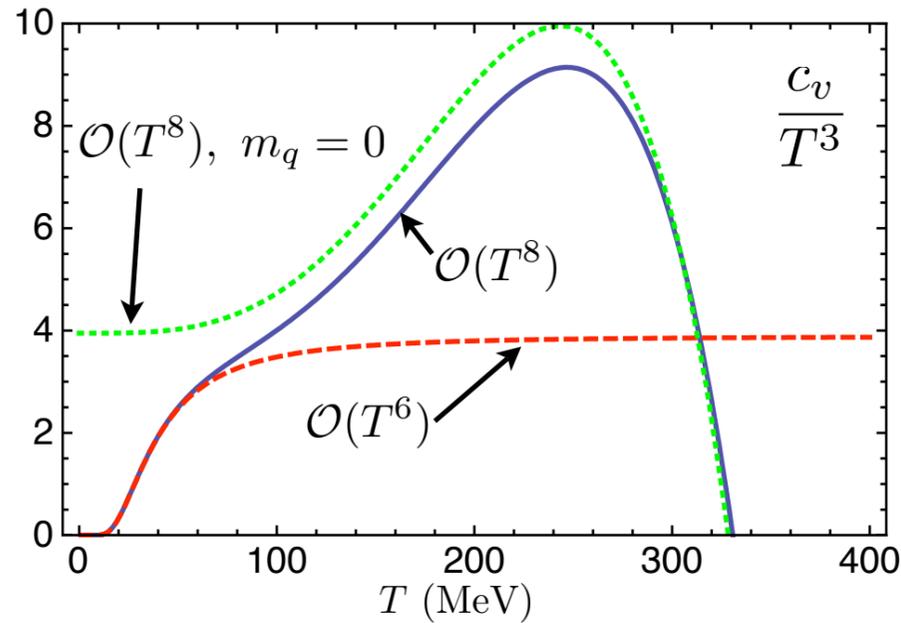
[Paech & Pratt, PRC 74, 014901 (2006)]

$$\zeta \propto \frac{\Gamma_\sigma}{m_\sigma^2}$$

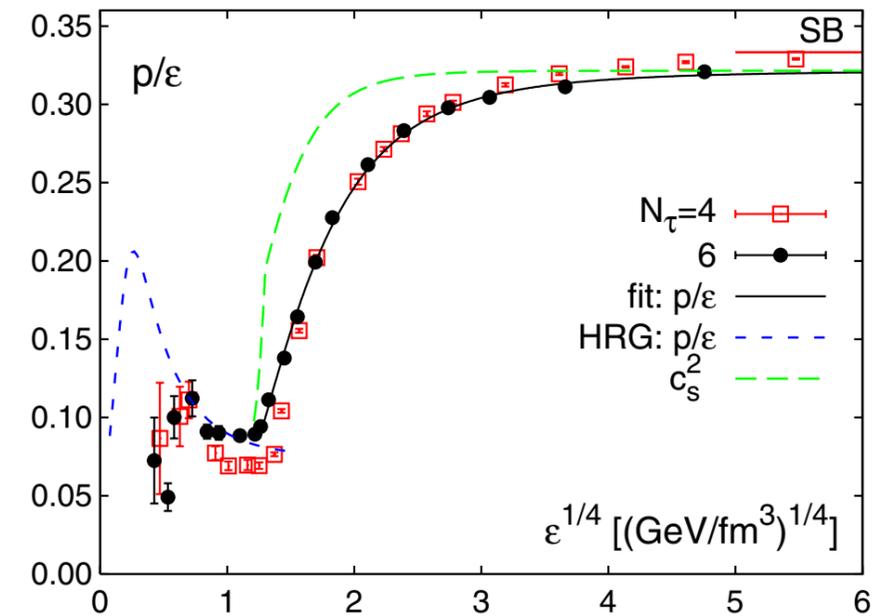


Bulk viscosity of the pion gas (in preparation)

Heat capacity and speed of sound (ChPT):

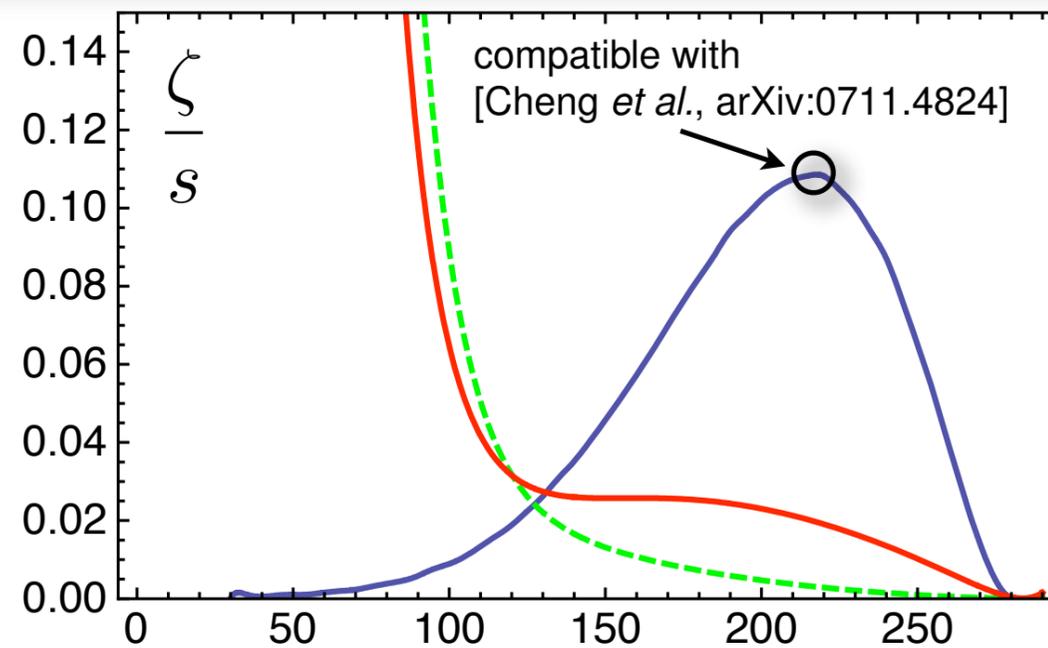
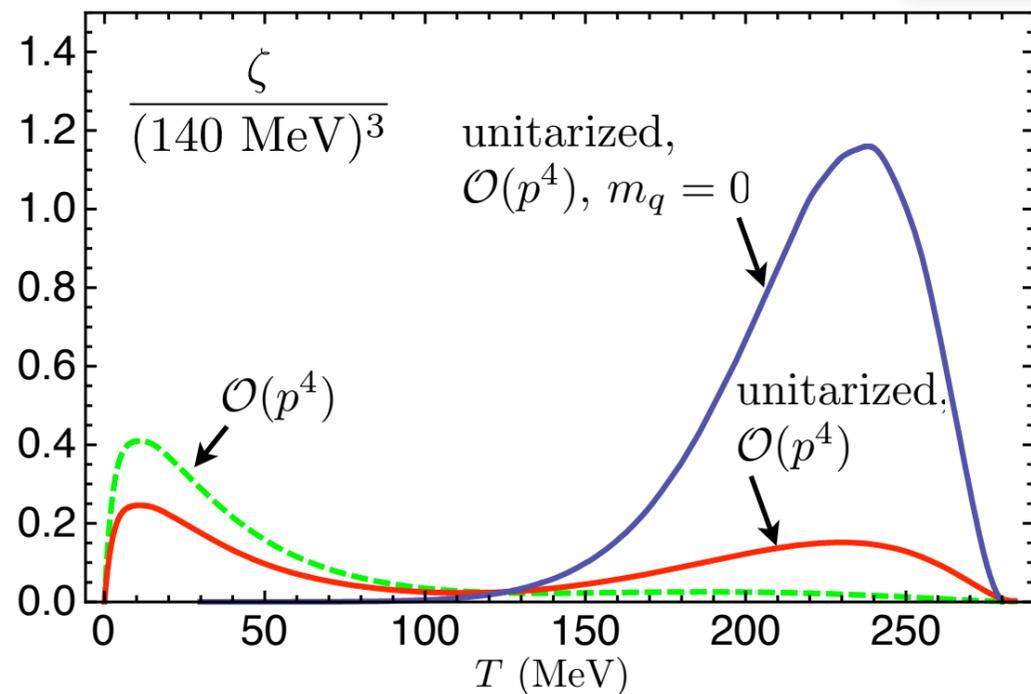


Lattice (2+1 flavors): [Cheng *et al.*, 08]



Bulk viscosity (ChPT):

$$\zeta^{(0)} = \int_0^\infty dp \frac{3p^2 (p^2/3 - c_s^2 E_p^2)^2}{4\pi^2 T E_p^2 \Gamma_p} n_B(E_p) [1 + n_B(E_p)]$$



$$T \ll M_\pi : \zeta^{(0)} \simeq 0.36 \eta^{(0)}$$

$$T \simeq M_\pi : \zeta^{(0)} \sim 10^{-1} \eta^{(0)}$$

$$T \gg M_\pi : \zeta^{(0)} \sim \left(\frac{1}{3} - v_s^2\right)^2 \eta^{(0)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_0 \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$$

lattice
+sum rule

$$\zeta/s|_{T_c} \sim 0.4$$

Conclusions

- We cannot apply Weinberg's counting to estimate the contribution of Feynman diagrams to TC at low temperatures.
- Our counting allows us to quickly obtain the leading order contribution for transport coefficients in ChPT at very low temperatures.
- Good agreement with KT analyses, and with phenomenological predictions.
- Resummations may be necessary for temperatures near T_c .
Cancellation of ladders?.

Current lines of work on this topic:

- Extension to SU(3) (\Rightarrow kaons, eta and more resonances). Role of ladder diagrams near T_c .
- More exhaustive study of the conformal properties of the ChPT lagrangian.