
Phase diagram of strong matter in the linear sigma model

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Outline

Motivation:

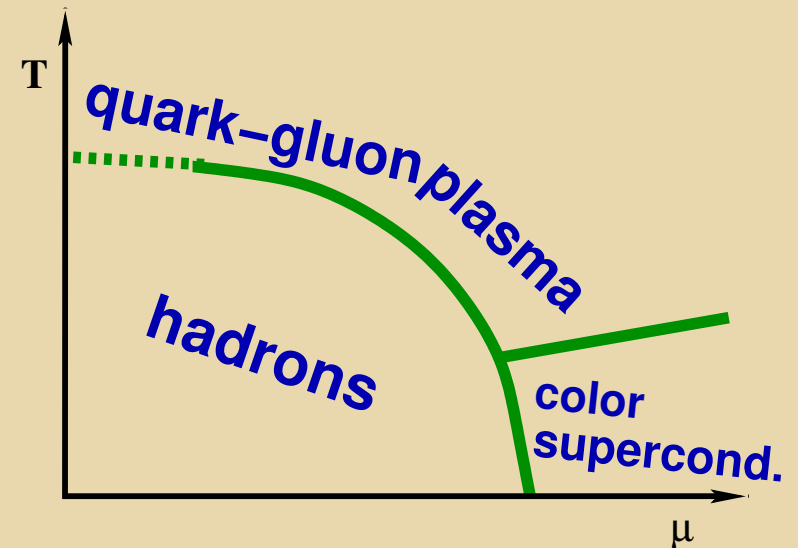
Mapping the boundary of the first order phase transition in the (m_π, m_K, μ_B) space.

- Overview of the phases of the strongly interacting matter and the chiral symmetry
- Parameterization of the $SU_L(3) \times SU_R(3)$ linear sigma model on the $m_\pi - m_K$ mass plane
- Thermodynamical calculations in the quasi-particle picture, restoration of chiral symmetry at finite temperature
- One-loop parameterization of the model
- The phase boundary in the (m_π, m_K) plane

Phases of QCD

Normal temperature/density:
strongly interacting matter \rightarrow hadrons

Extreme temperature/density:
new phases \rightarrow quark–gluon plasma,
color superconductor



Increasing temperature:

formation of quark–gluon plasma \rightarrow restoration of chiral symmetry

Chiral symmetry is a global symmetry of the QCD so it can be investigated in effective models because they have the same global symmetry as the QCD

Chiral symmetry of QCD

$$L_{QCD} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} G_{\nu\mu} G^{\nu\mu} + \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} (\bar{q}_{L_i} \gamma_\mu D^\mu q_{L_i} + \bar{q}_{R_i} \gamma_\mu D^\mu q_{R_i} + \bar{q}_{L_i} m_i q_{R_i} + \bar{q}_{R_i} m_i q_{L_i})$$

at low energy: $N_f = 3$ (u,d,s quarks)

$m_i = 0$:

symm. transformation: $q_{L,R} \rightarrow L, R q_{L,R}$, $L, R \in U_{L,R}(3)$; “ $L \pm R = V, A \in U_{V,A}(3)$ ”

$$U_L(3) \times U_R(3) \xrightarrow[\text{anomaly}]{U_A(1)} SU_A(3) \times SU_V(3) \times U_V(1)$$

$SU_A(3)$ spontaneously broken for $T < T_c$:

$$SU_A(3) \times SU_V(3) \times U_V(1) \xrightarrow[\text{spont. breaking}]{T \leq T_c} SU_V(3) \times U_V(1)$$

Order parameters: $M_j^i = \langle \bar{q}_L^i q_{R_j} \rangle$ for $N_f \geq 2$.

8 Goldstone bosons $\equiv (\pi, K, \eta)$. Their non zero masses arise from $m_{u,d,s} \neq 0$

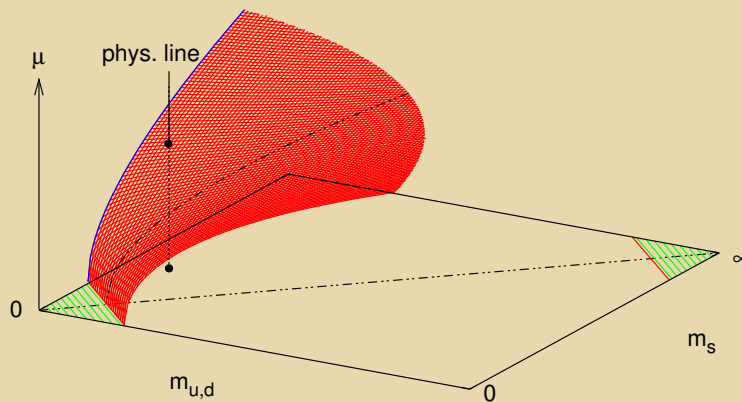
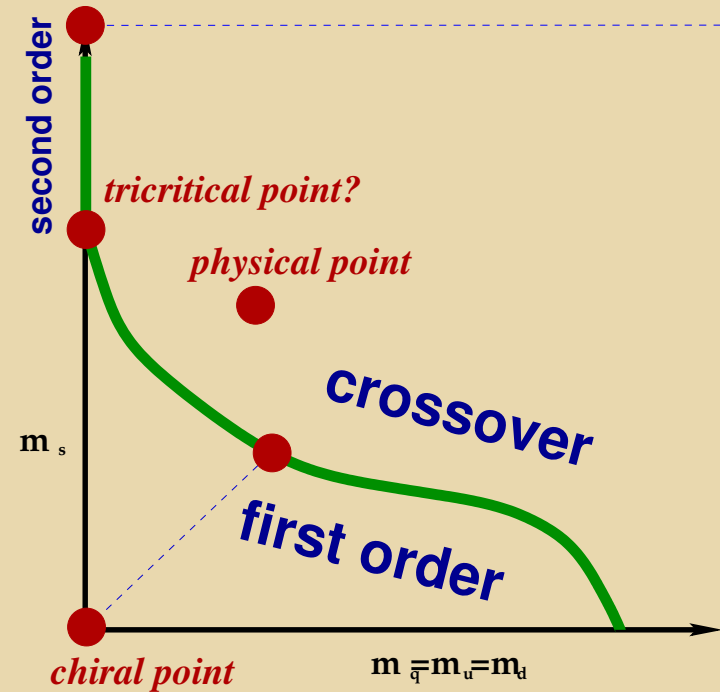
isospin symmetry: $m_q \equiv m_u = m_d, m_\pi^2 \sim m_q, m_K^2 \sim m_q + m_s, m_\eta^2 \sim m_q + 2m_s$

Phase diagrams of the chiral symmetry

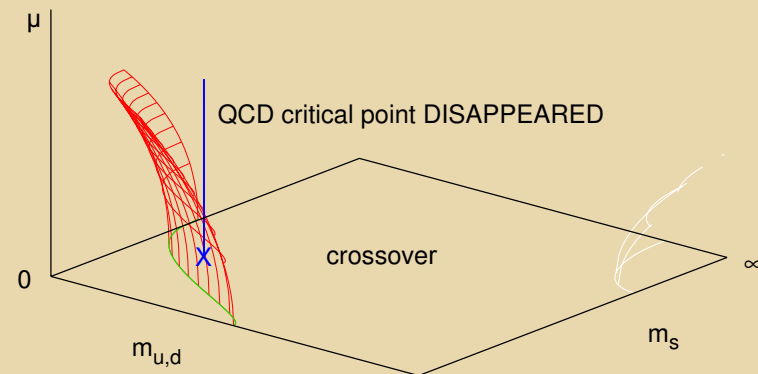
In case of isospin symmetry $m_q \equiv m_u = m_d$

- Physical point: crossover
- Chiral point: 1st order
- $m_s \rightarrow \infty$: 2nd order
- Existence of tricritical point?
- $m_s = m_q$: lattice QCD results

$\mu_B \neq 0$:



F. Karsch, J.Phys. G31(2005);



O. Philipsen, Ph. de Forcrand, JHEP 0701(2007)

$SU_L(3) \times SU_R(3)$ linear sigma model

$\bar{q}q$ bound states: mesons are transformed as $\bar{3} \otimes 3 = (8, 1) \oplus (1, 8)$

$\sigma_i(0^+)$: scalar nonet (1,8)

$\pi_i(0^-)$: pseudoscalar nonet (8,1)

they can be put into a 3×3 matrix: $M := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{i=0}^8 (\sigma_i + i\pi_i) \lambda_i$

The Lagrangian:

$$L(M) = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\partial_\mu M^\dagger \partial^\mu M + \mu_0^2 M^\dagger M) - f_1 (\text{Tr}(M^\dagger M))^2 - f_2 \text{Tr}(M^\dagger M)^2 - g (\det(M) + \det(M^\dagger)) + \epsilon_0 \sigma_0 + \epsilon_8 \sigma_8 + \epsilon_3 \sigma_3$$

- two independent four-point couplings (f_1, f_2)
- three-point coupling: $g \det(M) \rightarrow U_A(1)$ anomaly
- symmetry breaking external fields: $\epsilon_0, \epsilon_8, \epsilon_3$

ext. fields	remaining symm.	broken symm.	quark, meson masses
$\epsilon_0 \neq 0$	$SU_V(3) \times U_V(1)$	$SU_A(3)$	$\epsilon_0 \sim m_q = m_s \sim m_\pi^2 = m_K^2 = m_\eta^2$
$\epsilon_{0,8} \neq 0$	$SU_V(2) \times U_V(1)$	$U_Y(1)$	$\epsilon_8 \sim m_s - m_q \sim m_K^2 - m_\pi^2/2$
$\epsilon_{0,8,3} \neq 0$	$U_V(1)$	$SU_V(2)$	$\epsilon_3 \sim m_u - m_d \sim m_{\pi^\pm}^2 - m_{\pi^0}^2$

Ground state of the broken phase

$\langle \text{Re Diag} (M) \rangle_0 \neq 0$ and defining pure non-strange, strange fields:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x \\ \sigma_y \\ \sigma_3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_0 \\ \sigma_8 \\ \sigma_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{aligned} x &\equiv \langle \sigma_x \rangle_0 \\ y &\equiv \langle \sigma_y \rangle_0 \\ v_3 &\equiv \langle \sigma_3 \rangle_0 \end{aligned}$$

then shifting the fields by their expectation value in the Lagrangian,

$$M \longrightarrow M - \begin{pmatrix} x + v_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x - v_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y \end{pmatrix} \implies \begin{aligned} &\bullet \text{ equations of state for } x, y, v_3 \\ &\bullet \text{ meson mass matrix} \\ &\bullet \text{ new three point vertices} \end{aligned}$$

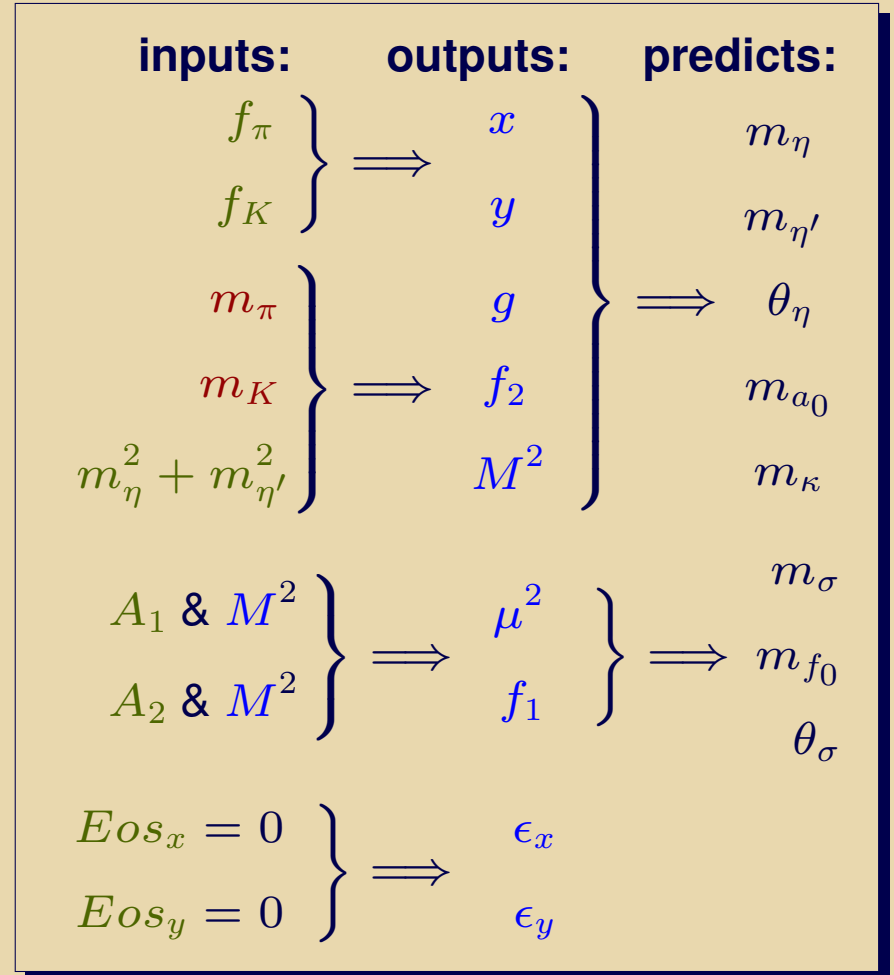
considering isospin symmetry $\epsilon_3 = 0 \implies v_3 = 0$:

<p>non-diagonal mass matrix:</p> $\begin{pmatrix} m_{\pi 88}^2 & m_{\pi 08}^2 \\ m_{\pi 08}^2 & m_{\pi 00}^2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} m_{\sigma 88}^2 & m_{\sigma 08}^2 \\ m_{\sigma 08}^2 & m_{\sigma 00}^2 \end{pmatrix}$	<p>tree level PCAC relations:</p> $f_\pi m_\pi^2 = \epsilon_x$ $f_K m_K^2 = \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_x + \sqrt{2}\epsilon_y)$	<p>Ward identities:</p> $\epsilon_x = m_\pi^2 x,$ $\epsilon_y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(m_K^2 - m_\pi^2)x + m_K^2 y$
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The first step to the thermodynamical calculations is the tree level parameterization with the above equations

Tree level parameterization

- Most of input data are from the well-known pseudoscalar sector, but the mixed scalar masses are unavoidable due to the degeneration of f_1 and μ through $M^2 = -\mu^2 + 4f_1(x^2 + y^2)$ \longrightarrow assumptions **A1**, **A2** for mixed scalars \longrightarrow theoretical uncertainties
- This set of 8 coupled linear equations determine the parameters therefore $(f_1, f_2, \mu, g, \epsilon_x, \epsilon_y, x, y)$ depend on $m_\pi, m_K, f_\pi, f_K, \bar{m}_\eta^2 (\equiv m_\eta^2 + m_{\eta'}^2), A_{1,2}$.



Going away from the physical point, we have to keep in mind that f_π, f_K, \bar{m}_η depend on m_π, m_K . The functions $f_\pi(m_\pi, m_K), f_K(m_\pi, m_K), \bar{m}_\eta(m_\pi, m_K)$ provided by $U(3)$ chiral perturbation theory (ChPT).

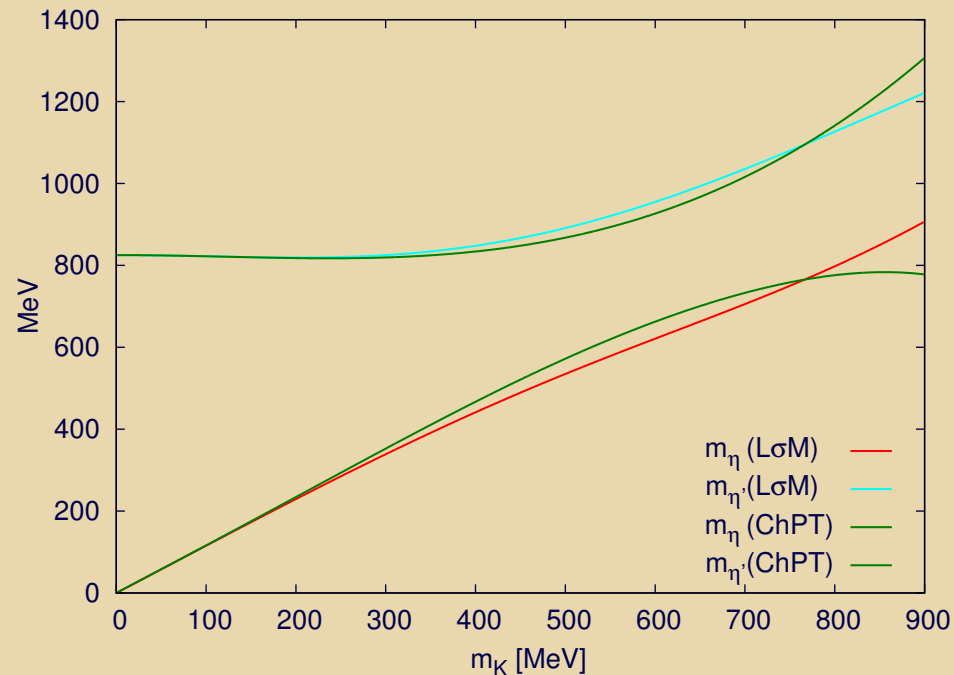
Going away from the physical point

The pion, kaon mass dependence of the decay constant,

$$f_\pi(m_\pi, m_K) = f \left[1 - \frac{1}{f^2} \left(2\mu_\pi + \mu_K - 4m_\pi^2(L_5 + L_4) - 8m_K^2 L_4 \right) \right], \quad \mu_\alpha = \frac{m_\alpha^2}{16\pi^2} \ln \frac{m_\alpha}{4\pi f}$$

$$f_K(m_\pi, m_K) = f \left[1 - \frac{1}{f^2} \left(\frac{3}{4}\mu_\pi + \frac{3}{4}\mu_\eta + \frac{3}{2}\mu_K - 4m_\pi^2 L_4 - 4m_K^2(L_5 + 2L_4) \right) \right]$$

The m_K dependence of η, η' masses and the predictions of the $L\sigma M$ for $m_\pi=0$:



Remarkable agreement up to $m_K \approx 800$ MeV for $m_\pi = 0$.

Thermodynamical calculations

Standard perturbation theory at finite T :

$$G_0(\mathbf{p})_{ij} = [\mathbf{p}^2 - m_{ij}^2(x(T), y(T))]^{-1} \quad \text{increasing } T \implies m_{ij}^2 \rightarrow -\mu_0^2$$

Negative mass squares appear in the propagators at finite T !!

→ **Mass resummation needed!**

Optimalised perturbation theory (OPT):

$$L_{mass} = -\frac{1}{2}M^2(T)\text{Tr}M^\dagger M + \frac{1}{2}\overbrace{(\mu_0^2 + M^2(T))}^{\Delta m^2}\text{Tr}M^\dagger M,$$

$M^2(T)$: T dependent effective mass

Δm^2 : one-loop order counterterm

OPT replaces $-\mu^2 \rightarrow M^2(T)$ in the tree level masses
 \implies appropriate choice of $M^2(T) \implies m_i^2(M(T), x(T), y(T)) > 0$.

OPT preserves the renormalizability and symmetries (Goldstone th., Ward ids.).

Quasi-particle picture

Determination of $M^2(T)$:

$$m_\pi^2 \stackrel{!}{=} M_\pi = G_1^{-1} [\omega = \mathbf{p} = 0, T] = m_\pi^2 - \Delta m^2 + \Sigma_\pi [\omega = \mathbf{p} = 0, T, m_i(m_\pi, x, y)]$$

in $\Sigma_\pi|_{p=0}$:  = $\frac{1}{m_1^2 - m_2^2} \cdot \left[\text{dashed circle} - \text{solid circle} \right] \cdot I_{tp}(m, T) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{16\pi^2} m^2 \ln \frac{m^2}{l^2}}_{I_{tp}^l(m)} + \underbrace{\int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \left(\frac{1}{\omega^2} \right) \frac{1}{e^{\beta\omega} - 1}}_{I_{tp}^T(m, T)}$

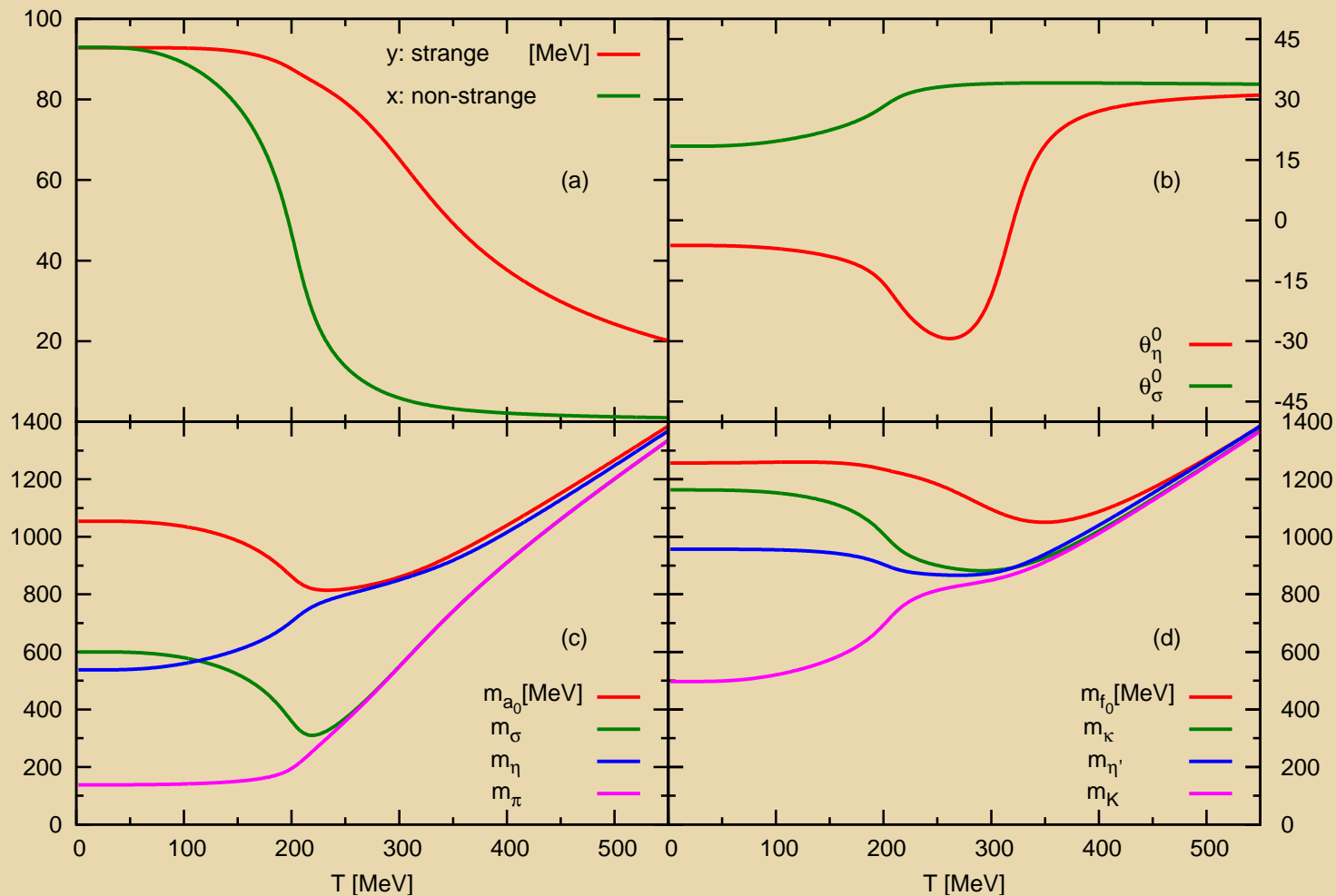
Equations of state:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_x &: \frac{E_x}{E_y} \times + \sum_{i=\pi, K, \eta, \eta'} \frac{t_i^x}{t_i^y} \text{dashed circle } i + \sum_{i=a_0, \kappa, \sigma, f_0} \frac{t_i^x}{t_i^y} \text{solid circle } i + \frac{x\Delta m^2}{y\Delta m^2} \text{hatched circle} = 0 \\ \epsilon_x &= -\mu_0^2 + 2gxy + 4f_1xy^2 + (4f_1 + 2f_2)x^3 + \sum_i t_i^x(x, y) I_{tp}(m_\pi, m_i(x, y), T) \\ \epsilon_y &= -\mu_0^2 + 2gx^2 + 4f_1x^2y + (4f_1 + 4f_2)y^3 + \sum_i t_i^y(x, y) I_{tp}(m_\pi, m_i(x, y), T) \end{aligned}$$

Quasi-particle approximation: $I_{tp}^l(m) \equiv 0 !!$

Results in the physical point

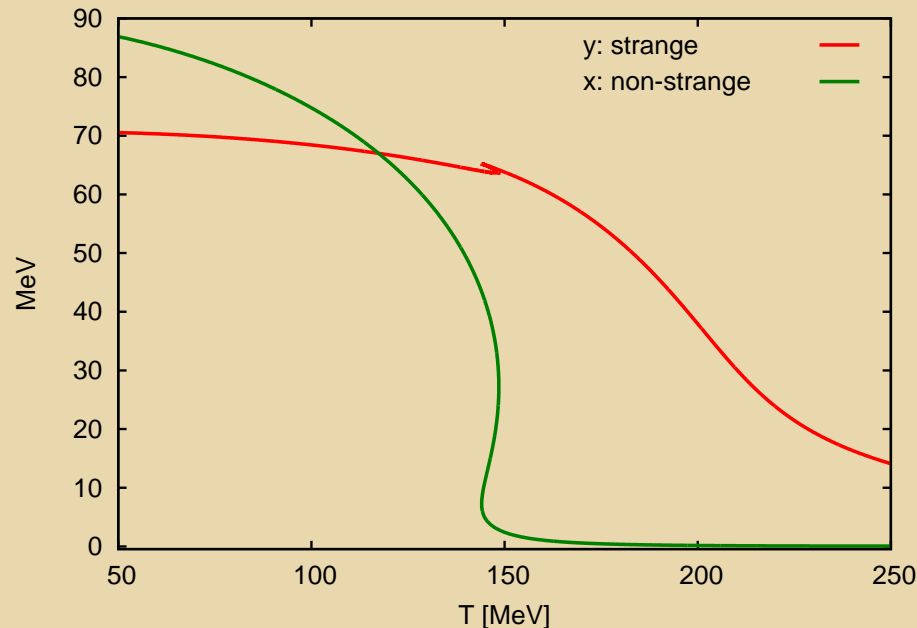
The restoration of chiral symmetry is continuous (crossover) in the physical point



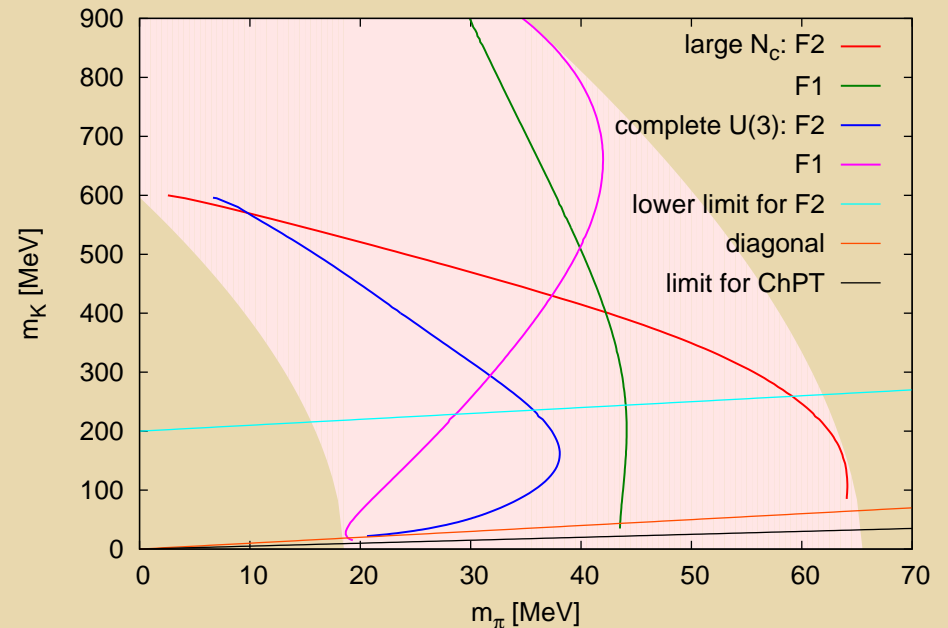
a) condensates; b) mass matrix mixing angles; c) and d) tree level masses

Phase diagram (quasi-particle appr.)

Decreasing pion, kaon masses:
crossover \longrightarrow 1st phase transition.



1st order phase transition
for $m_\pi = 30$ MeV, $m_K = 400$ MeV



The phase boundaries for different
parameterizations

Different parameterization \longrightarrow different phase boundaries
 \longrightarrow the highlighted band indicates the “real” boundary
 \longrightarrow one-loop parameterization is needed.

One-loop parameterization

One-loop level propagators at zero temperature,

$$D_\alpha(p) = \frac{iZ_\pi^{-1}}{p^2 - m_\alpha^2 - \Sigma_\alpha(p^2, m_i, l)}, \quad Z_\alpha^{-1} \equiv 1 - \left. \frac{\partial \Sigma_\alpha(p^2, m_i, l)}{\partial p^2} \right|_{p^2=M_\alpha^2}$$

Physical mass defined as the pole of the propagators,

$$M_\alpha^2 = m_\alpha^2 + \text{Re} \left\{ \Sigma_\alpha(p^2 = M_\alpha^2, m_i, l) \right\}$$

The finite wave function renormalisation constant appears in the PCAC relations,

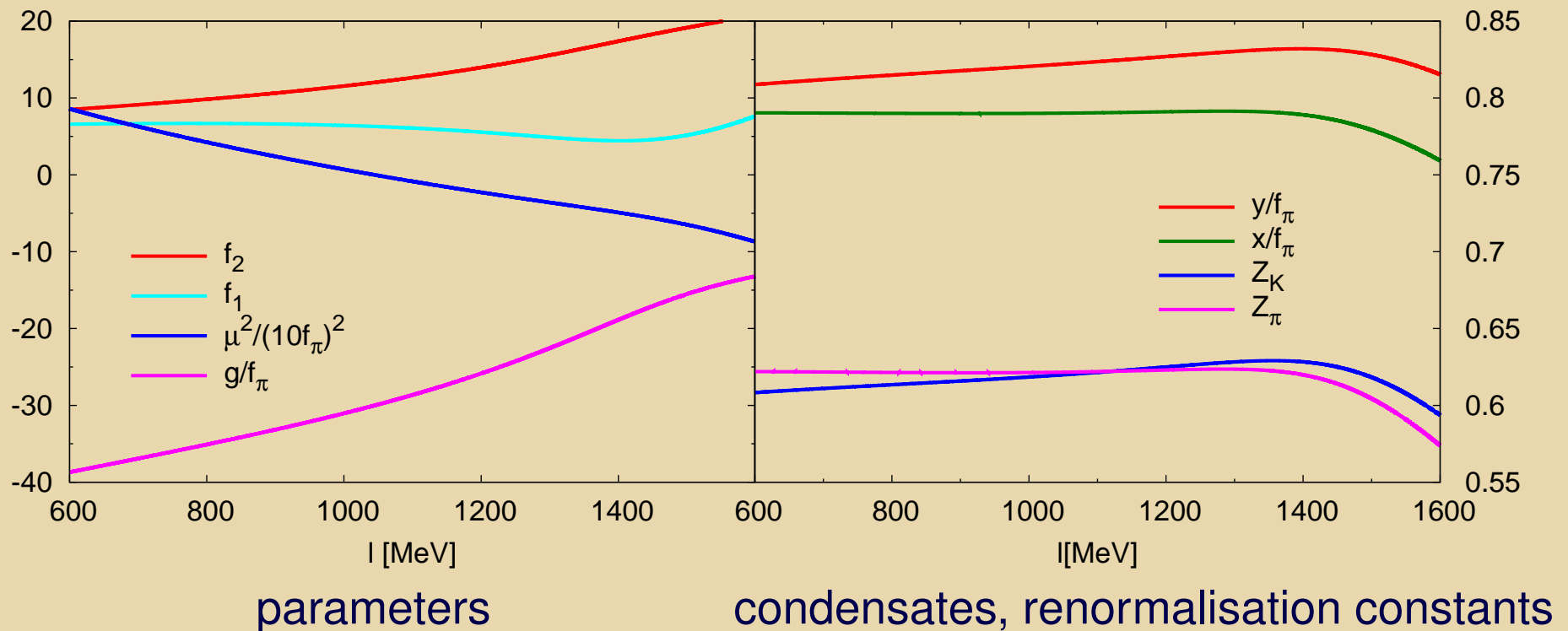
$$f_\pi M_\pi^2 = \epsilon_x \sqrt{Z_\pi}, \quad f_K M_K^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\epsilon_x + \sqrt{2}\epsilon_y) \sqrt{Z_K}$$

The equations of states are also written in the terms of propagators, with the help of the Ward identities,

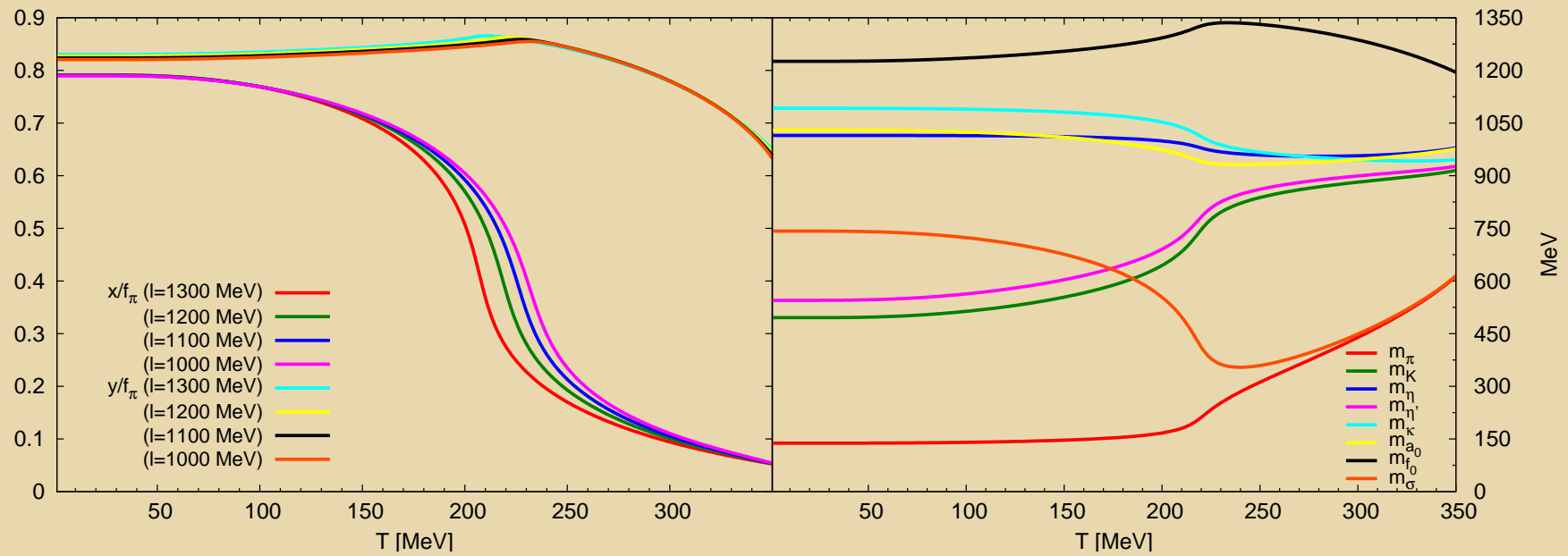
$$\epsilon_x = -iD_\pi^{-1}(p=0)Z_\pi^{-1}x, \quad \epsilon_y = \frac{-i}{\sqrt{2}} \left(D_K^{-1}(p=0)Z_K^{-1}(x + \sqrt{2}y) - D_\pi^{-1}(p=0)Z_\pi^{-1}x \right)$$

Scale dependence of the parameters

In the physical point:

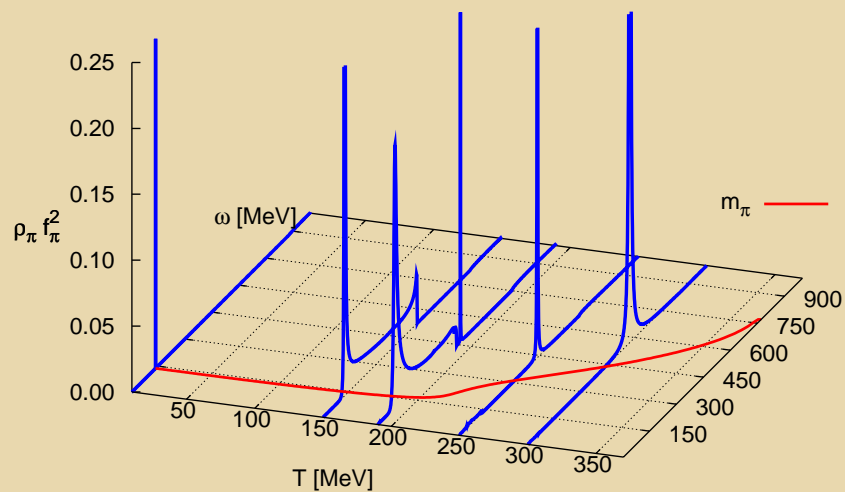


Temperature dependence in the physical point

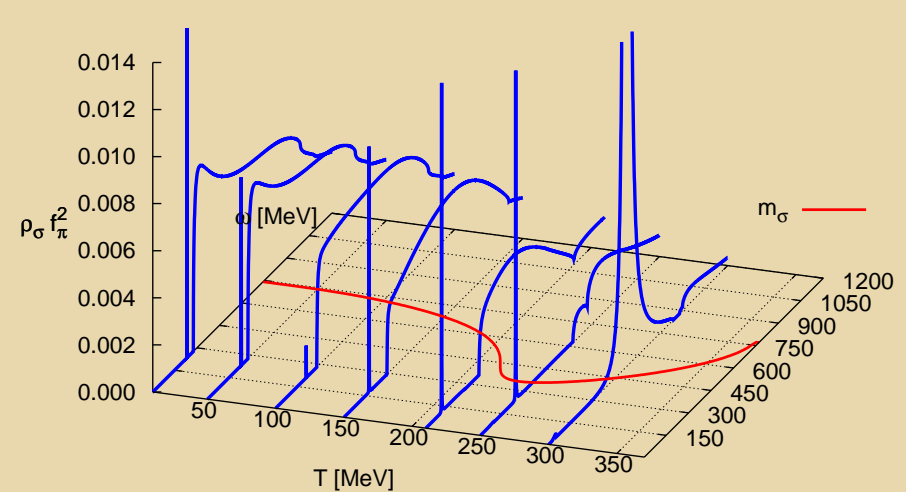


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masses

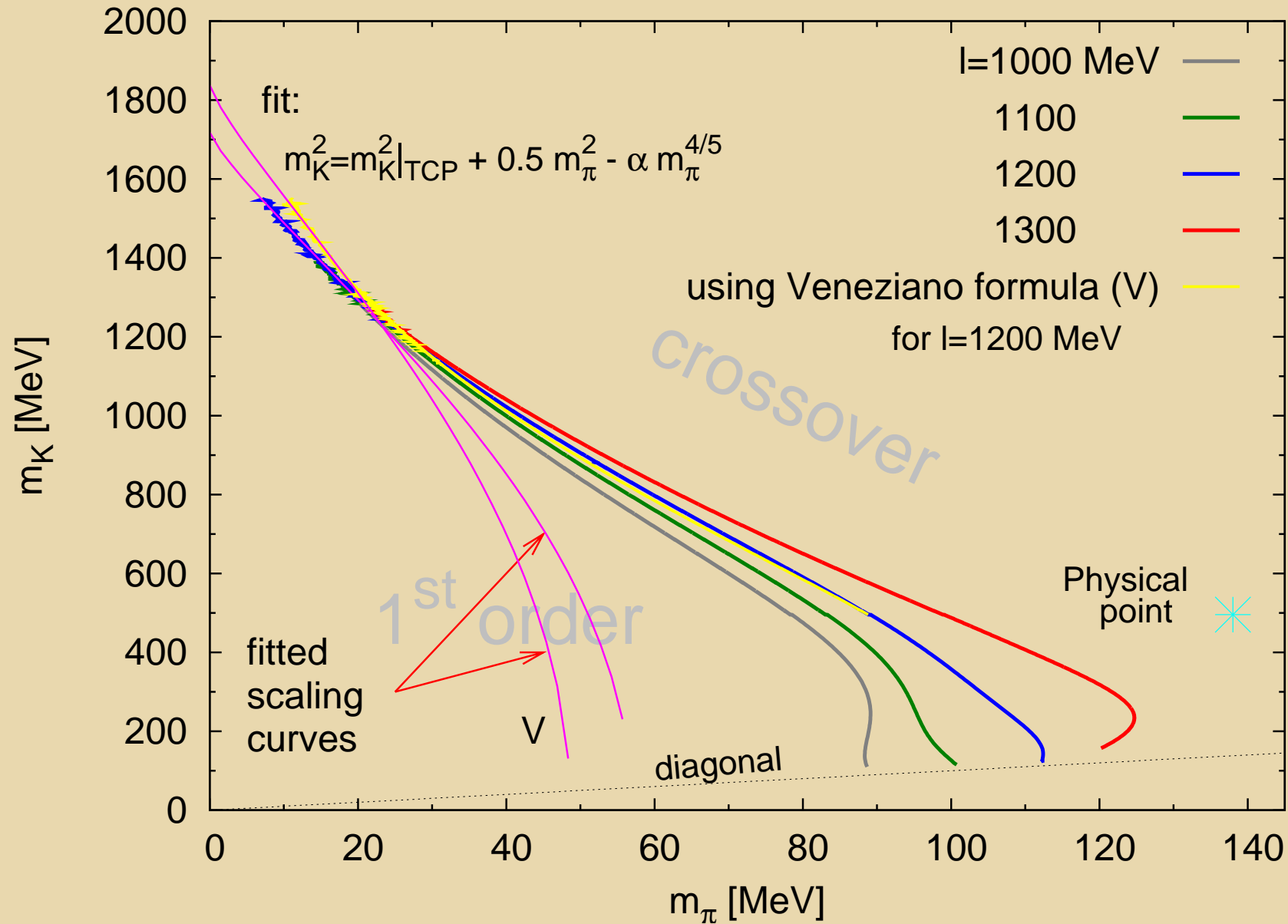


spectral function of the pion



spectral function of the sigma

Phase boundary on the $m_\pi - m_K$ plane



Phase boundary in the $m_\pi - m_K - \mu_B$ space

Adding constituent quarks to the linear sigma model \rightarrow chemical potentials can be introduced and our phase boundary became a surface in the $m_\pi - m_K - \mu_B$ plane. P. Kovács, Zs. Szép: PRD 75, 02501

