

Color-Flavor Dependent NJL Model and QCD Phase Diagram

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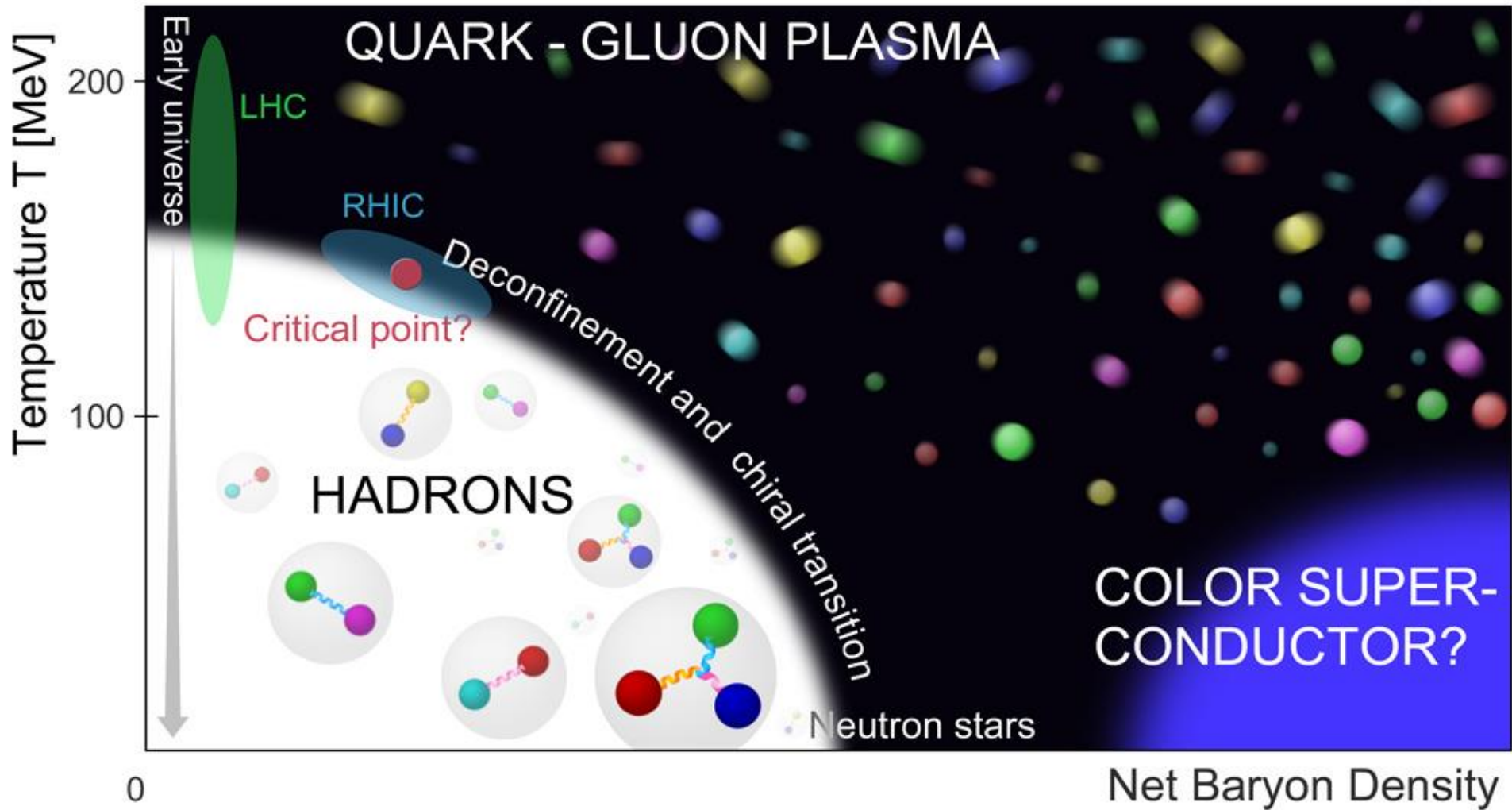
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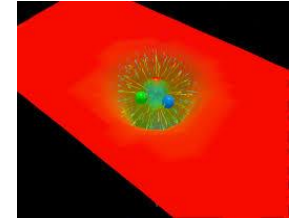
- Motivation and Objective
- QCD Lagrangian and NJL Model
- Schwinger-Dyson's Equations (SDE)
- Color-flavor dependence of NJL Model and QCD Phase diagram
- Results and Discussions

- Dynamical chiral symmetry breaking and/or restoration in the NJL model for higher number of light quark flavors and colors.
- What are the critical number of flavors and colors in the NJL model for chiral-symmetry-breaking and its restoration at finite temperature and density?
- The impact of higher number of colors and flavors on the critical end point in the QCD Phase diagram



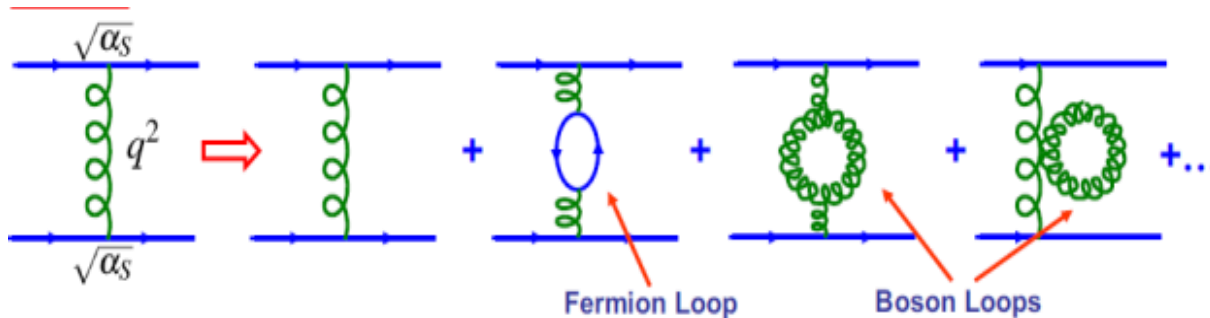
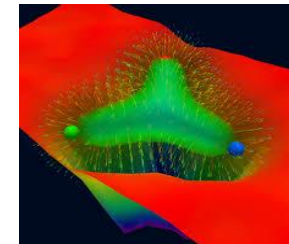
- **Weakly interacting at high energies ($> \text{a few GeV}$)**

- Asymptotic freedom
- Accessible by perturbation theory



- **Strongly interacting at low energies**

- Confinement
- Perturbation theory fails
- Genuine non-perturbative effects (SDE, Lattice, Effective models etc.)





Introduction to QCD Lagrangian



- The QCD is defined by the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \bar{q}(i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - \hat{m})q - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu} \quad (\text{i}) \quad [\text{Buballa,2005}]$$

Where D_μ is the covariant derivative,

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig \frac{\lambda^a}{2} A_\mu^a \quad (\text{ii})$$

$G_{\mu\nu}^a$ is the gluon field strength,

$$G_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - A_\mu^a \partial_\nu + gf^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c \quad (\text{iii})$$

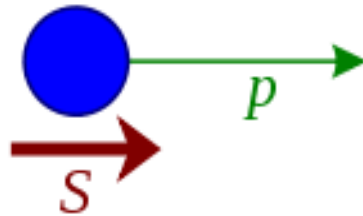
- A_μ^a : gluon field with (a: color indices) and (μ : four vector indices)
- λ^a and f^{abc} : SU(3) Gell-Mann matrices and structure constant
- g : is the QCD coupling strength
- γ^μ : is the Dirac gamma matrix
- \hat{m} : $\text{diag}(m_u, m_d, \dots)$ is mass matrix in flavor space
- q : is the quark field with six flavor (u, d, s, c, b, t)

Introducing the left-and right-quarks fields through the projectors

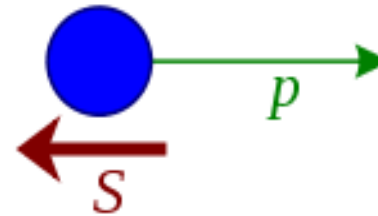
$$\Psi_R = \frac{(1+\gamma^5)}{2} \Psi,$$

$$\Psi_L = \frac{(1-\gamma^5)}{2} \Psi,$$

Right-handed:



Left-handed:



The Dirac Part of the QCD Lagrangian can be decomposed as

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \bar{\Psi}_L (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu) \Psi_L + (\bar{\Psi}_R i\gamma^\mu D_\mu) \Psi_R - \bar{q}_L(m) q_R - \bar{q}_R(m) q_L$$

For massless quark the right and left handed components decouple and so the Lagrangian has a chiral symmetry.

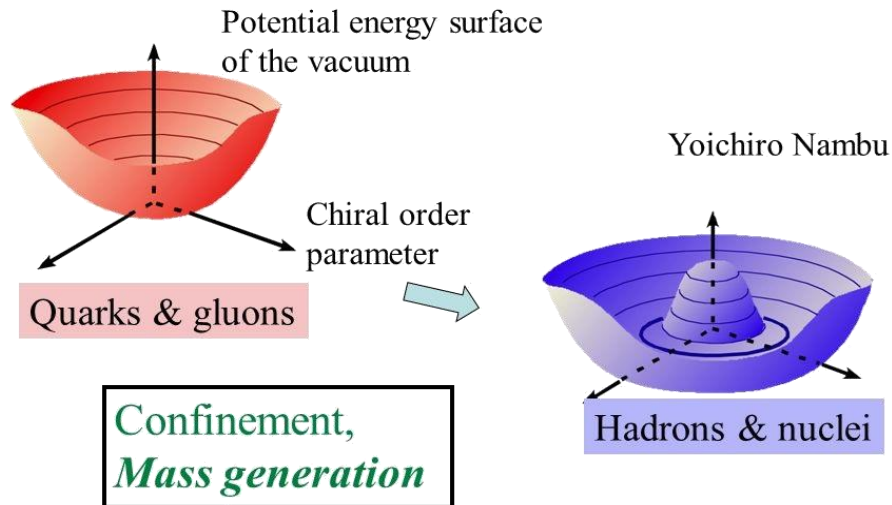
Introduction to QCD

Spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking



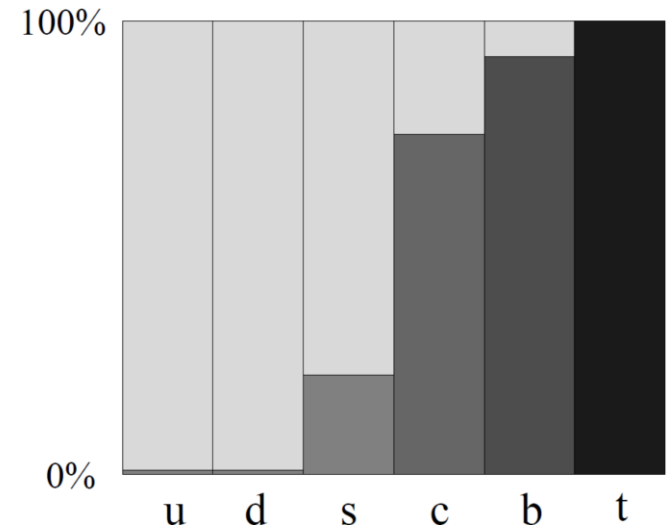
- If the QCD Lagrangian has chiral symmetry, but the vacuum does not satisfy this symmetry, then one says that the symmetry has been broken spontaneously.
- Spontaneous symmetry breaking is related to existence of non-vanishing quark condensate $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle$, which acts as an order parameter for spontaneous symmetry breaking.

Spontaneous breaking of *chiral* (χ) symmetry



[web2.ph.utexas.ed

Chiral Symmetry Vs Higgs



[P. Braun-Munzinger, J. Wambach, arXiv:0801.4256]

Dynamical mass generation in the NJL Model

We Start with QCD in the effective manner through Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (NJL) type interaction from the Lagrangian



Yoichiro Nambu,
Nobel prize 2008

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}(i \not{\partial} - m)\psi + G[(\bar{\psi}\psi)^2 + (\bar{\psi}i\gamma_5\vec{\tau}\psi)^2]$$

Four-Fermion interaction \longrightarrow { Scalar interaction Axil-vector interaction }

- Schwinger's-Dyson's-equations and QCD gap equation



$$S^{-1}(p) = S_0^{-1}(p) - \Sigma(p)$$

Bare quark propagator: $iS_0(p) = i \frac{\not{p} + mI}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$

Dressed quark Propagator: $iS(p) = i \frac{\not{p} + MI}{p^2 - M^2 + i\epsilon}$

Self-Energy: $\Sigma(p) = \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} g^2 \Delta_{\mu\nu}(p-k) \frac{\lambda^a}{2} \gamma_\mu S_f(k) \frac{\lambda^a}{2} \Gamma_\nu(p,k)$

In NJL-Model: $g^2 \Delta_{\mu\nu} = G\delta_{\mu\nu}$

In $SU(N_c)$ representation

$$\sum_{a=1}^8 \frac{\lambda^a}{2} \frac{\lambda^a}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(N_c - \frac{1}{N_c} \right)$$

NJL- Model Gap Equation:

$$M = m + 8i\mathcal{G}^{N_c}(N_f) \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{M}{k^2 - M^2 + i\epsilon}$$

Quark-antiquark Condensate:

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle = -i \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{Tr} S(p) \quad \text{or} \quad -\langle \bar{q}q \rangle = \frac{M - m}{2\mathcal{G}^{N_c}(N_f)}$$

Finite Temperature and Chemical Potential:

$$\int \frac{d^4k}{i(2\pi)^4} f(k_0, \mathbf{k}) \rightarrow T \sum_n \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} f(i\omega_n + \mu, \mathbf{k}) \quad , \quad \omega_n = (2n + 1)\pi T$$

$$M = m + 4\mathcal{G}^{N_c}(N_f) M \int_0^\Lambda \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{E_k} (1 - n_F(T, \mu) - \bar{n}_F(T, \mu))$$

$$n_F(T, \mu) = \frac{1}{e^{(E_k - \mu)/T} + 1} \quad , \quad \bar{n}_F(T, \mu) = \frac{1}{e^{(E_k + \mu)/T} + 1}$$

- For color

$$\mathcal{G}^{N_c}(N_f) = \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(N_c - \frac{1}{N_c} \right) \right] G(N_f)$$

- For flavor

$$G(N_f) \longrightarrow \frac{9}{2} G \sqrt{1 - \frac{(N_f - 2)}{\mathcal{N}_f^c}}$$

Mass should have this kind of relation with flavor.

$$M \sim \sqrt{N_f^c - N_f}$$

[Bashir et al. , PRD 88, 054003 (2013)],
[Ahmad et al , JPG 48 (2021) 7, 075002]

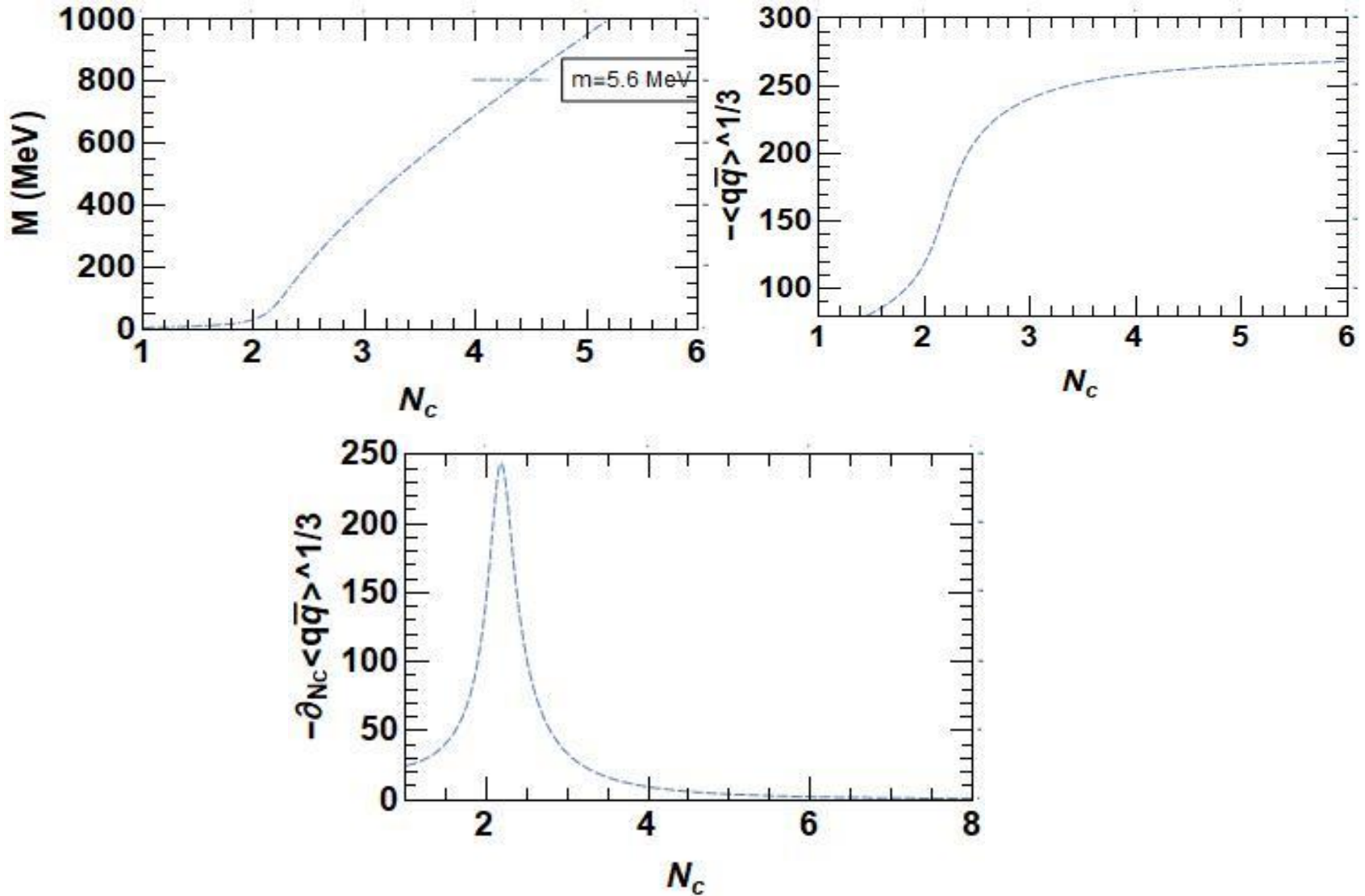
For fixed $N_c = 3$, $N_f = 2$, $G = 2.44/\Lambda^2$, $\Lambda = 587.9$ and $m = 5.6 \text{ MeV}$, we get

$M = 399.44 \text{ MeV}$, $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle = -(240.8 \text{ MeV})^3$ and the pion decay constant $f_\pi = 92.4 \text{ MeV}$

[Buballa, *Phys.Rept.* 407 (2005) 205-376]

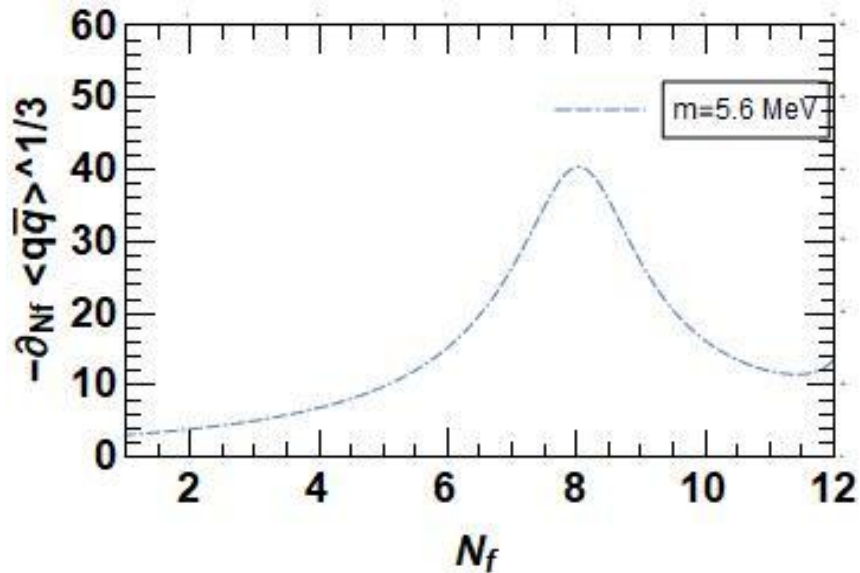
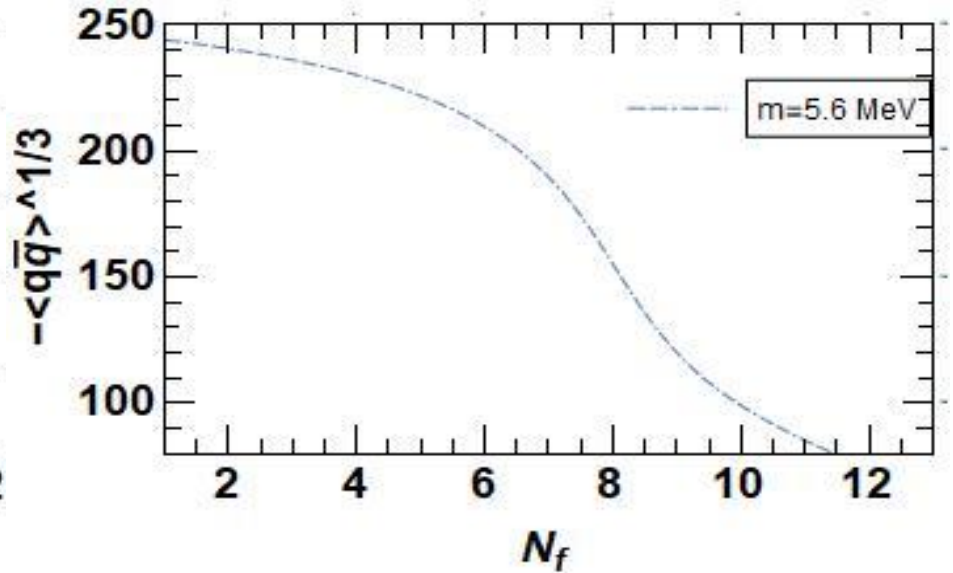
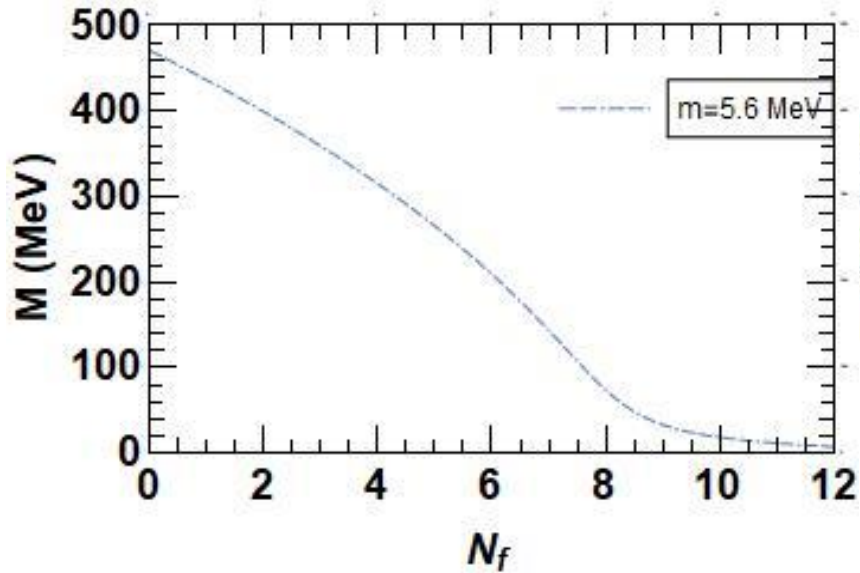
Numerical Results

Chiral Symmetry Breaking for Higher Number of Color and for $N_f=2$



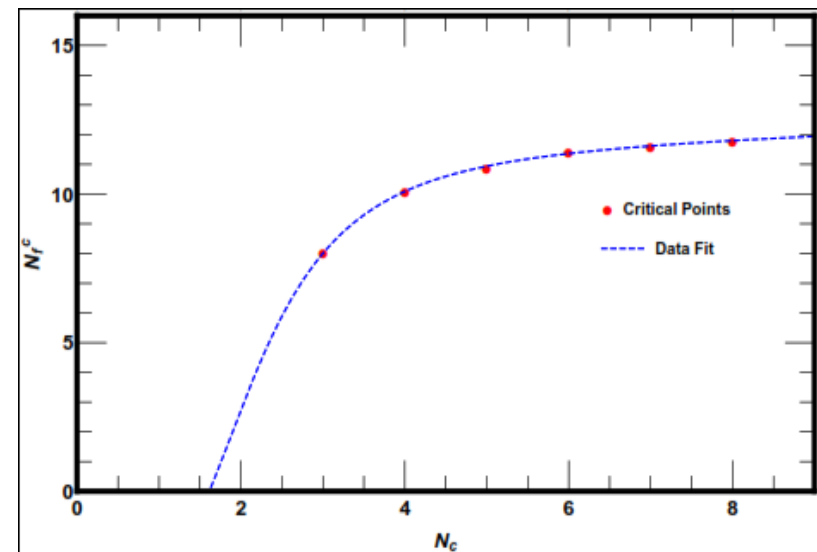
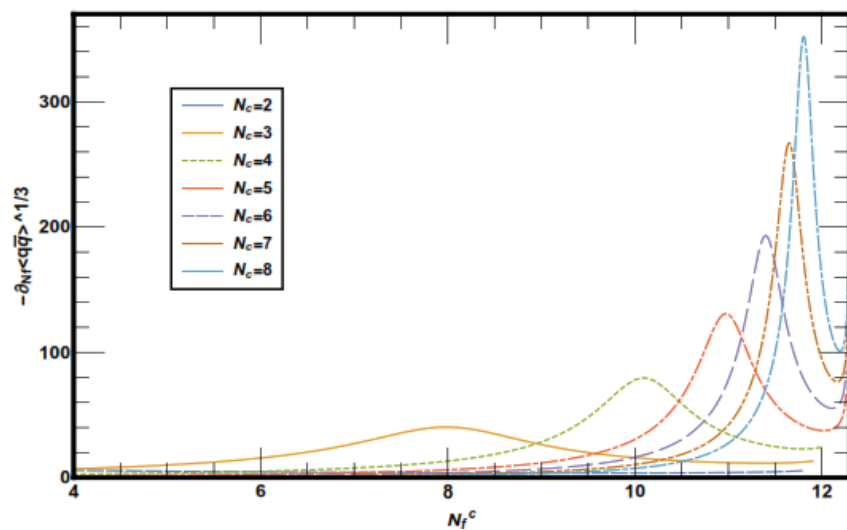
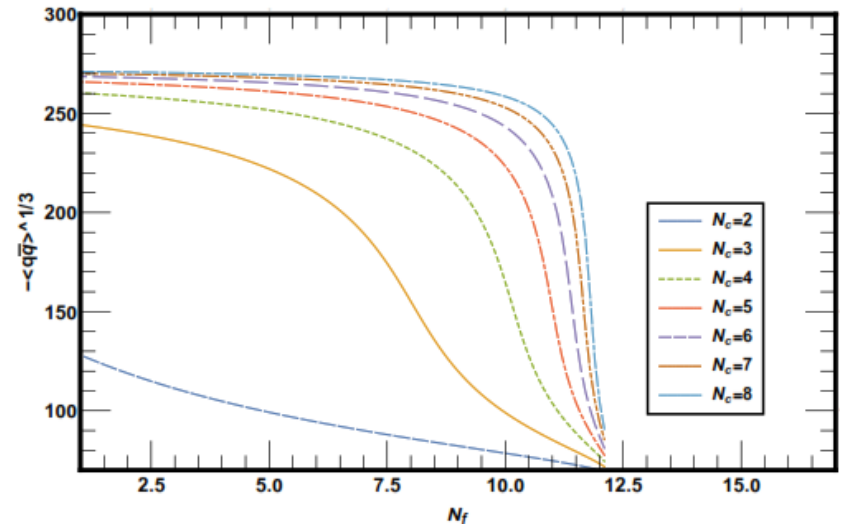
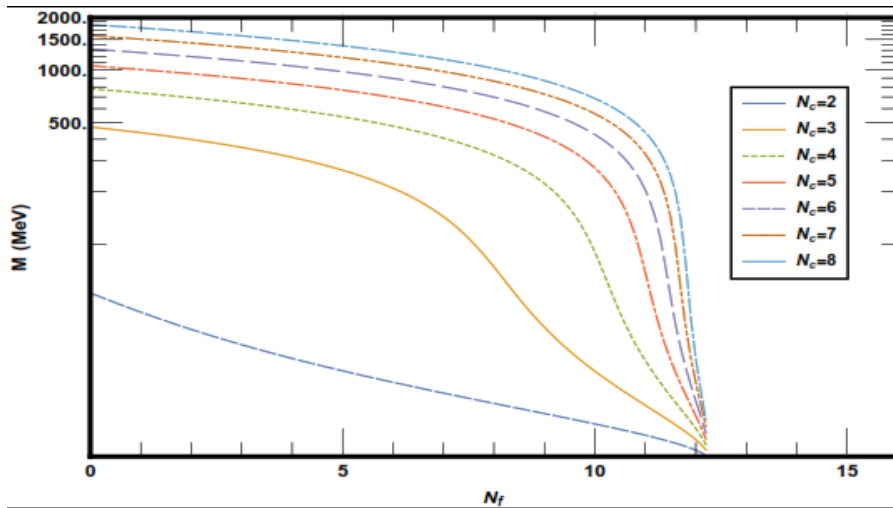


Chiral Symmetry Breaking for Higher Number of flavors with fixed $N_c=3$



N_c	N_f	Method	Reference
3	8 ± 1	SDE	Bashir et al., PRD88,054003(2013)
3	≤ 8	Lattice QCD	Appelquist et al., PRL100:171607(2008)
3	10 ± 0.29	RGF Eqn's	Gies et al., EPJC46,433(2006)
3	8	CI-model	Ahmad et al., JPG48,075002(2021)
3	8	NJL-model	Our results

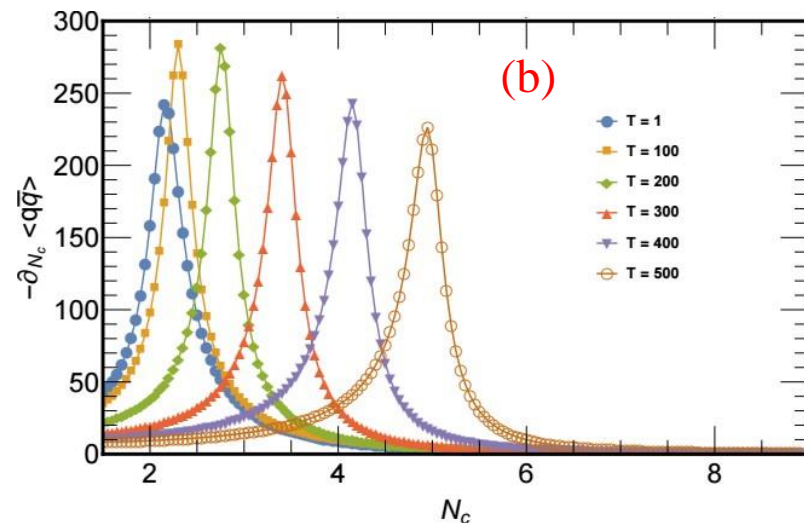
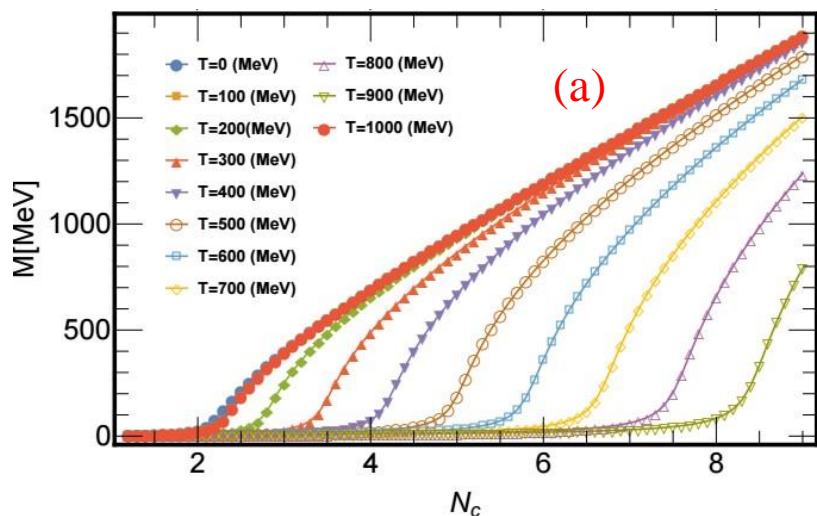
Critical Number of Flavors for Chiral Symmetry Restoration With Various Colors



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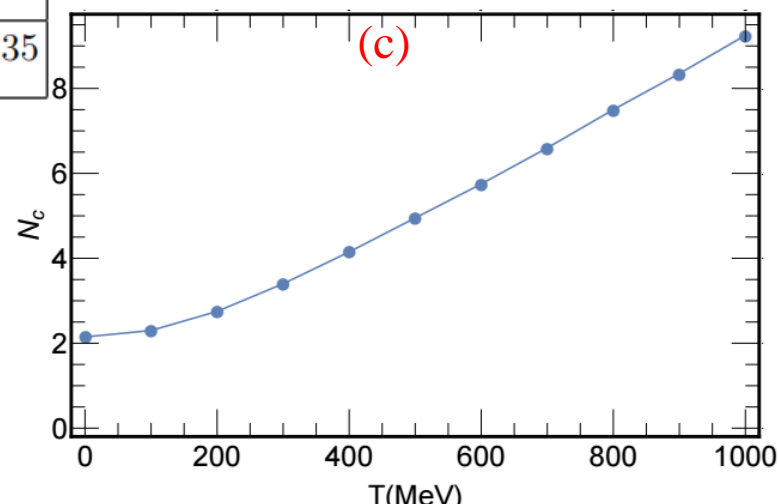
Critical Number of colors for chiral symmetry breaking at $T \neq 0$ but $\mu = 0$

- For fixed 2- flavors, with bare mass $m = 5.6$ MeV



T (MeV)	0	100	200	300	400	500	600	700	800	900
Critical N_c	2.15	2.3	2.75	3.4	4.15	4.95	5.75	6.6	7.5	8.35

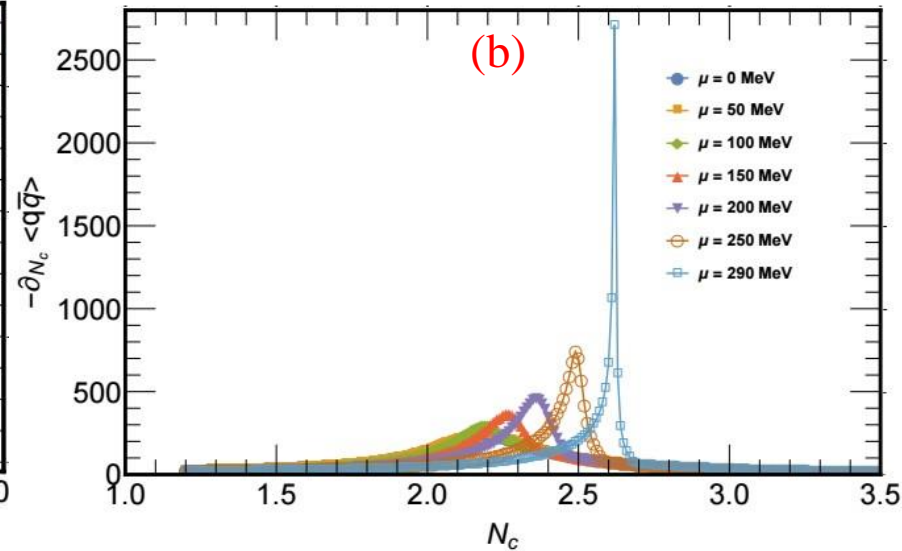
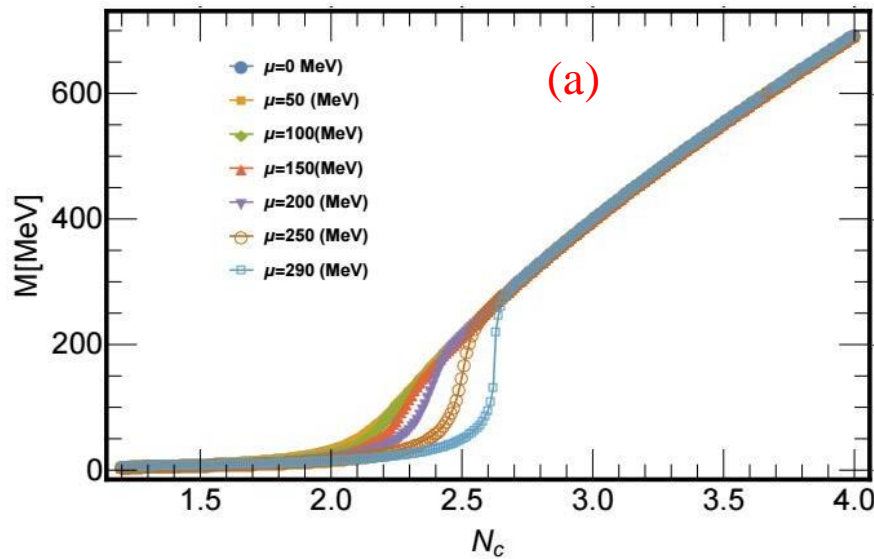
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- Fig. (c): The critical number of colors



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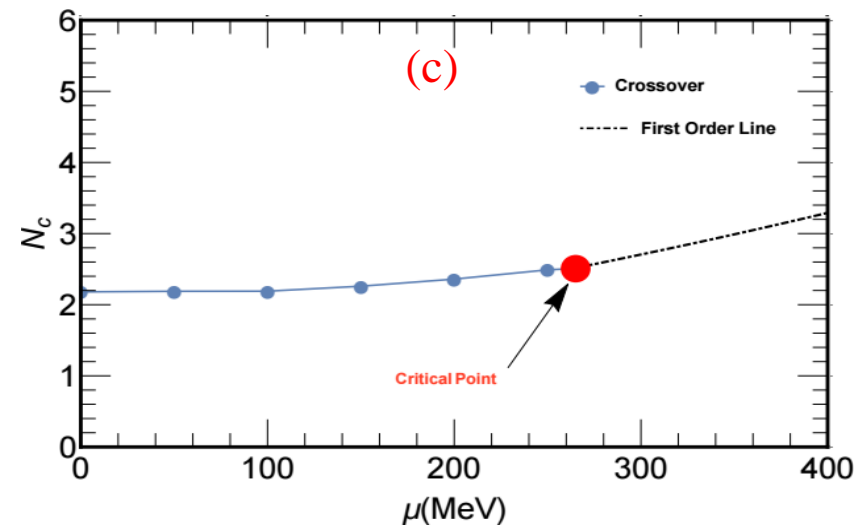
Critical Number of colors for Chiral Symmetry Breaking at $T = 0$ and $\mu \neq 0$

- For fixed 2- flavors, with bare mass $m = 5.6$ MeV



μ (MeV)	0	50	100	150	200	250	290
Critical N_c	2.18	2.189	2.19	2.26	2.36	2.49	2.51

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Chiral Symmetry Breaking at $T = 0$
and $\mu \neq 0$, for various number of colors



- For fixed 2- flavors, with bare mass $m = 5.6$ MeV

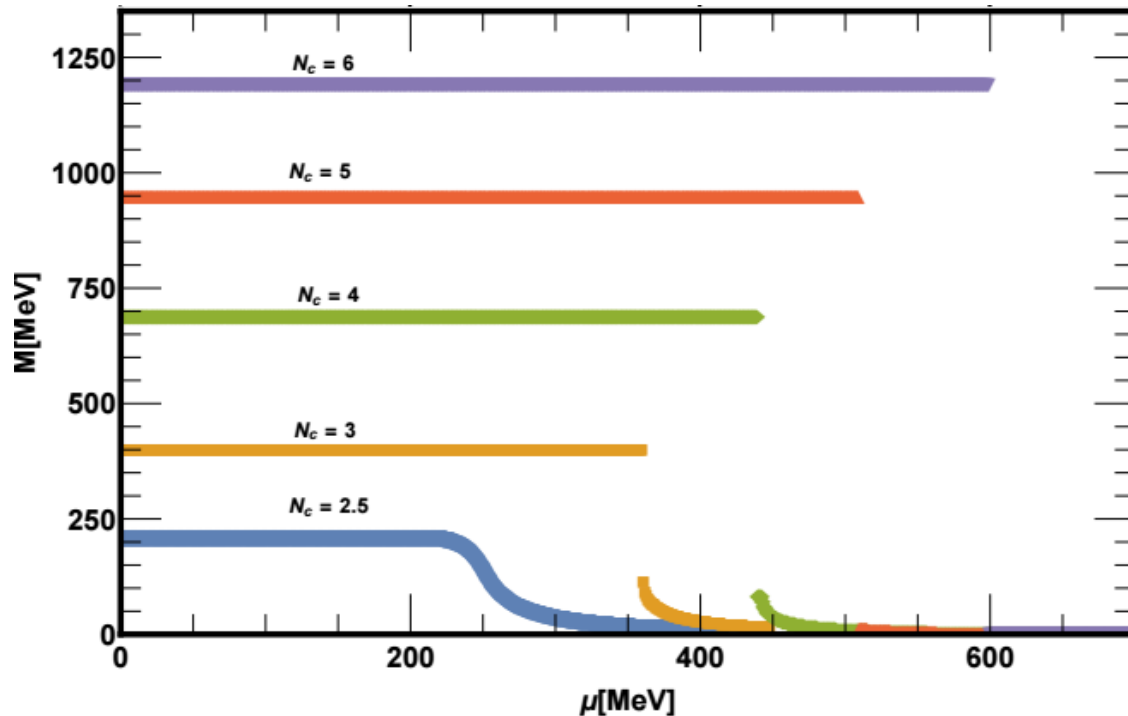


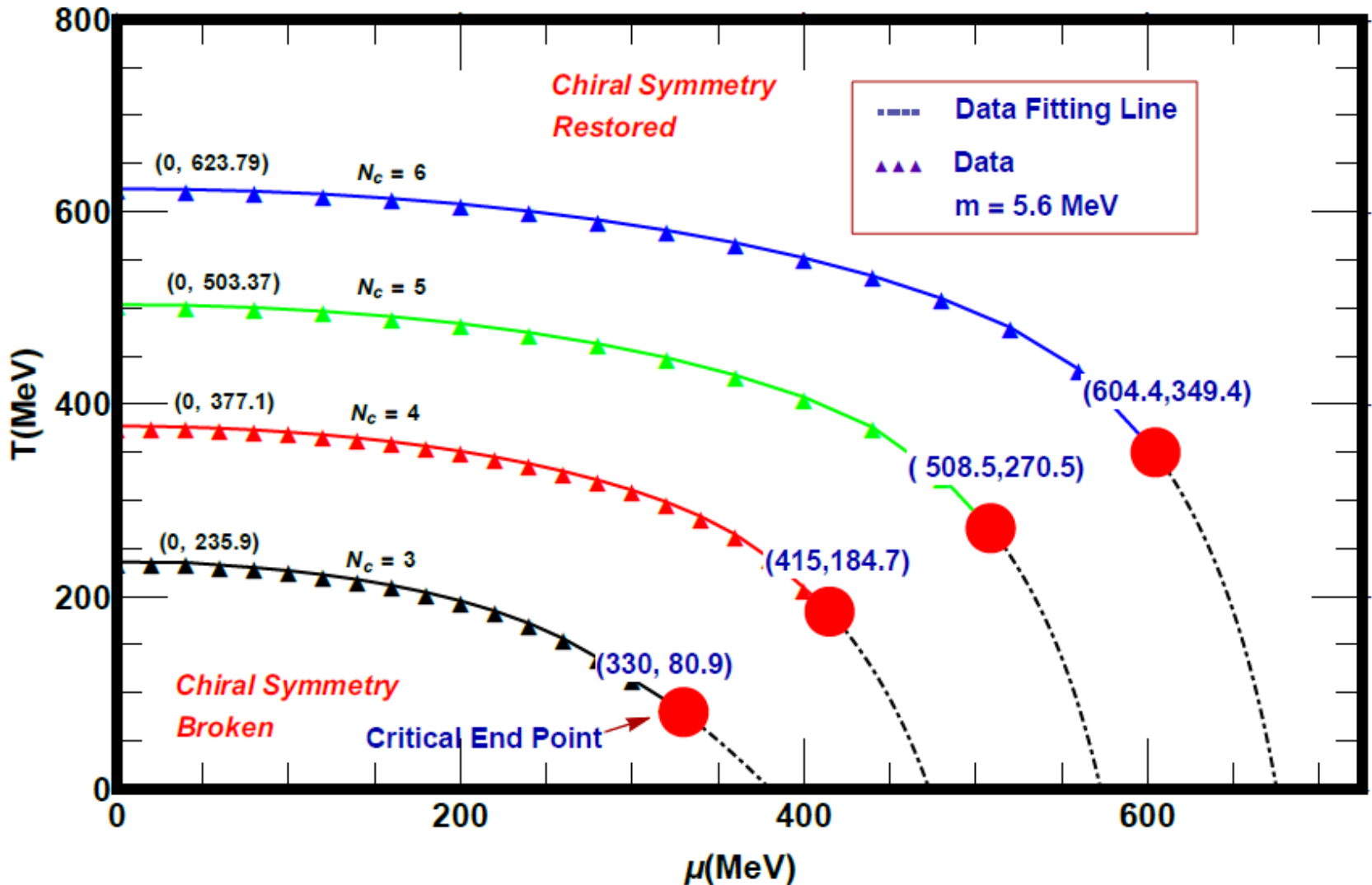
Fig. Mass Vs chemical potential

- The phase transition is crossover for $N_c \leq 2.51$, while first order for higher number of N_c .

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QCD Phase Diagrams for various Number of Colors (Combined)

- For fixed 2- flavors

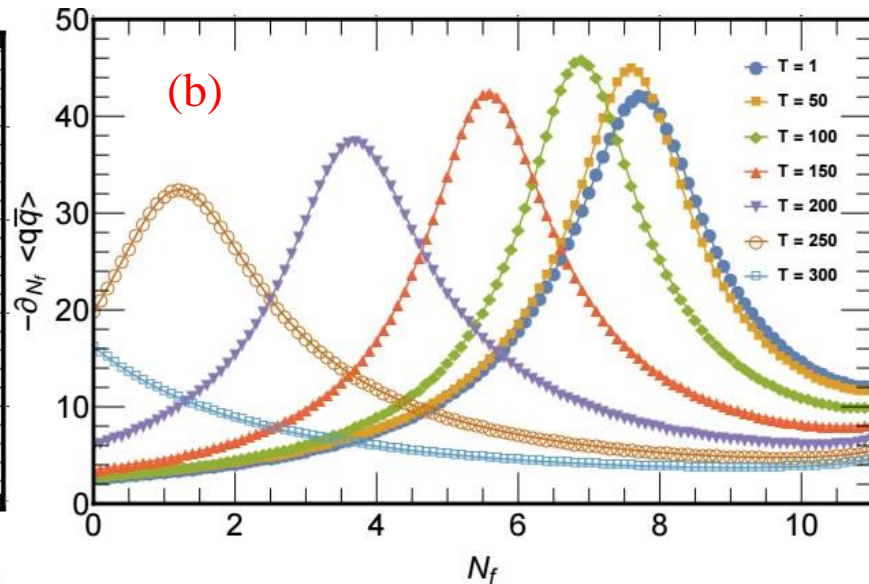
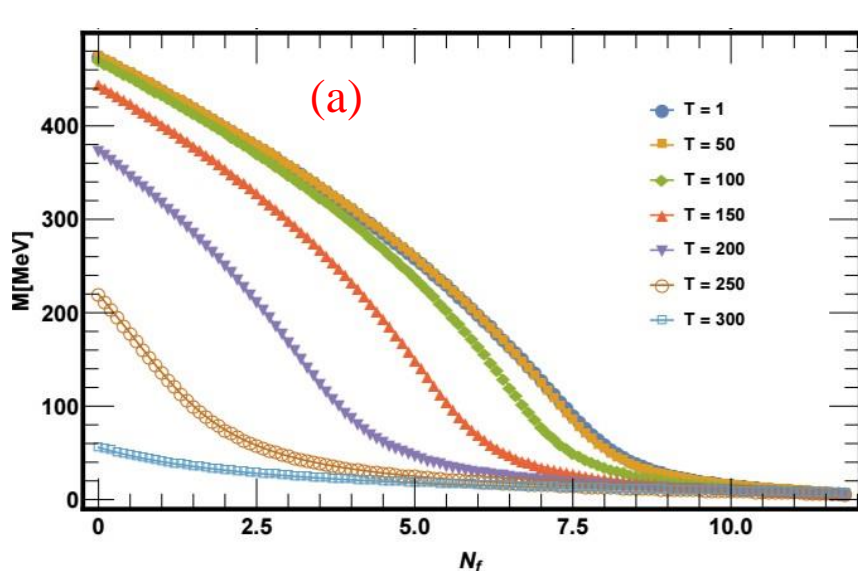


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Critical Number of Flavors for Chiral Symmetry Restoration at $T \neq 0$

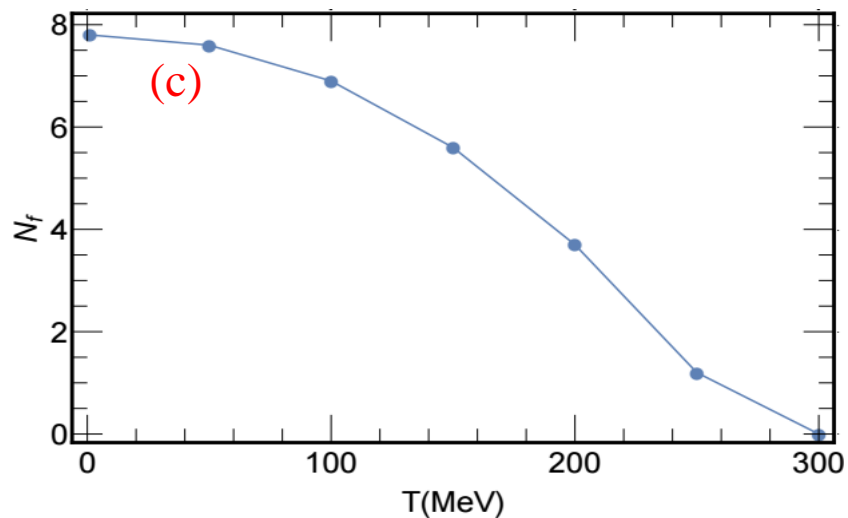
but $\mu = 0$

- For fixed 3-colors with bare mass $m = 5.6$ MeV



T (MeV)	0	50	100	150	200	250	300
Critical N_f	8	7.8	6.9	5.6	3.7	1.2	0.1

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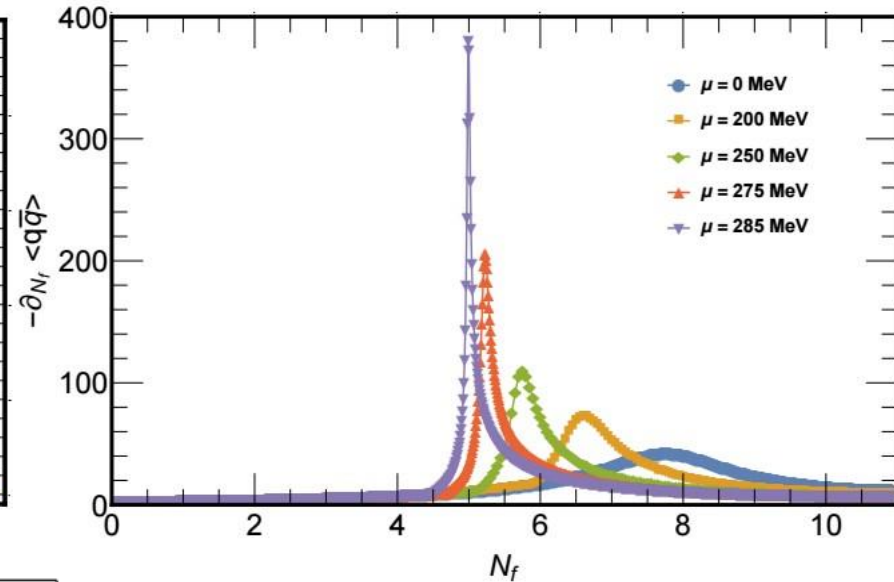
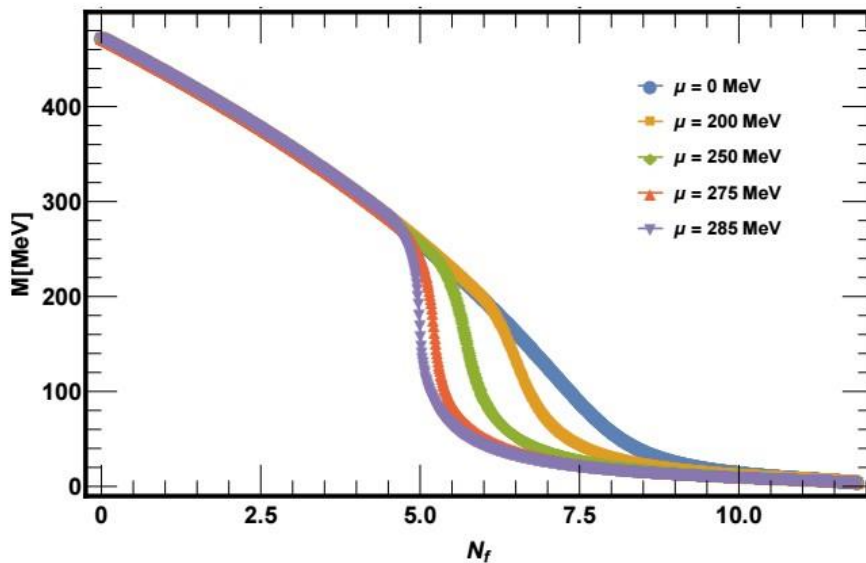


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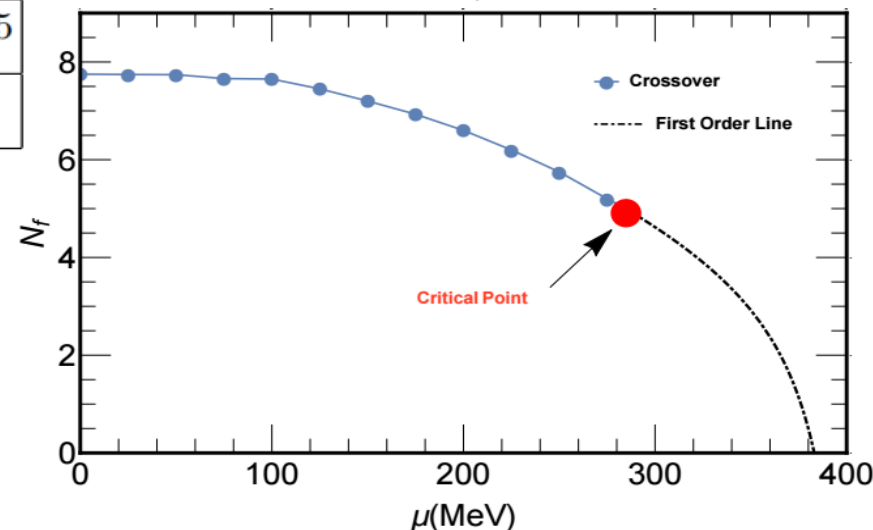
Critical Number of Flavors for Chiral Symmetry Restoration at $T = 0$ and $\mu \neq 0$

- For fixed 3-colors, with bare mass $m = 5.6$ MeV



μ (MeV)	0	50	100	150	175	200	225	250	275	285
Critical N_f	8	7.8	7.65	7.2	6.93	6.6	6.2	5.75	5.2	5

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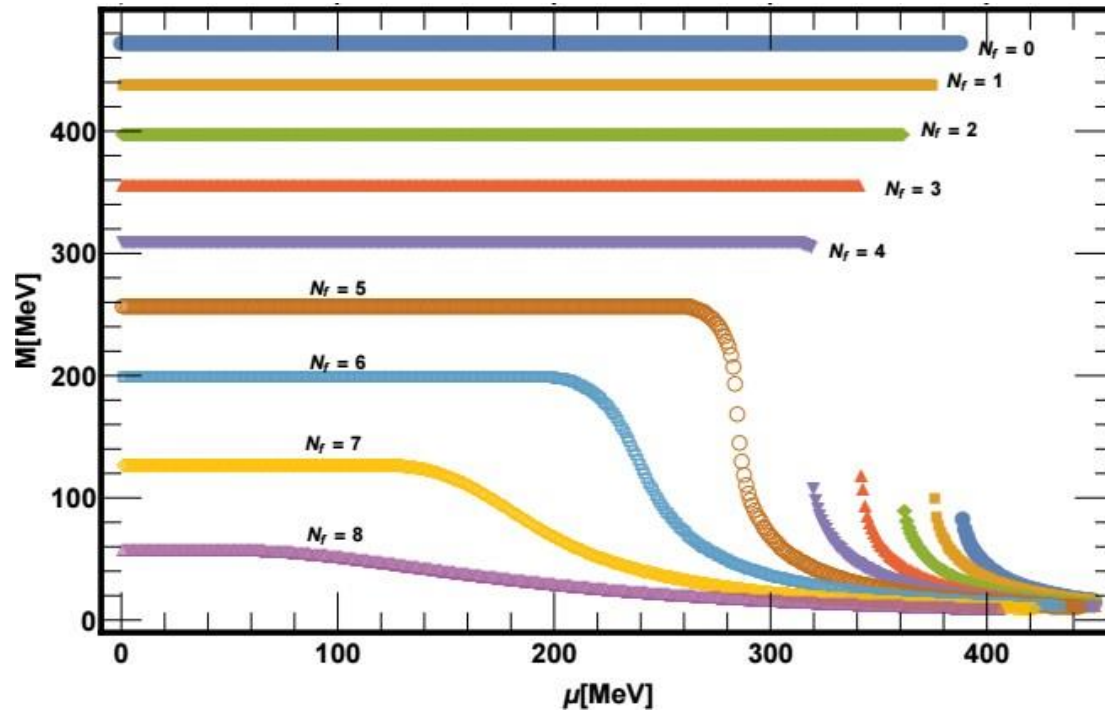


Fig. Mass Vs chemical potential at $T = 0$ MeV

- The phase transition is crossover for $N_f > 5$, while first order for $N_c \leq 5$.

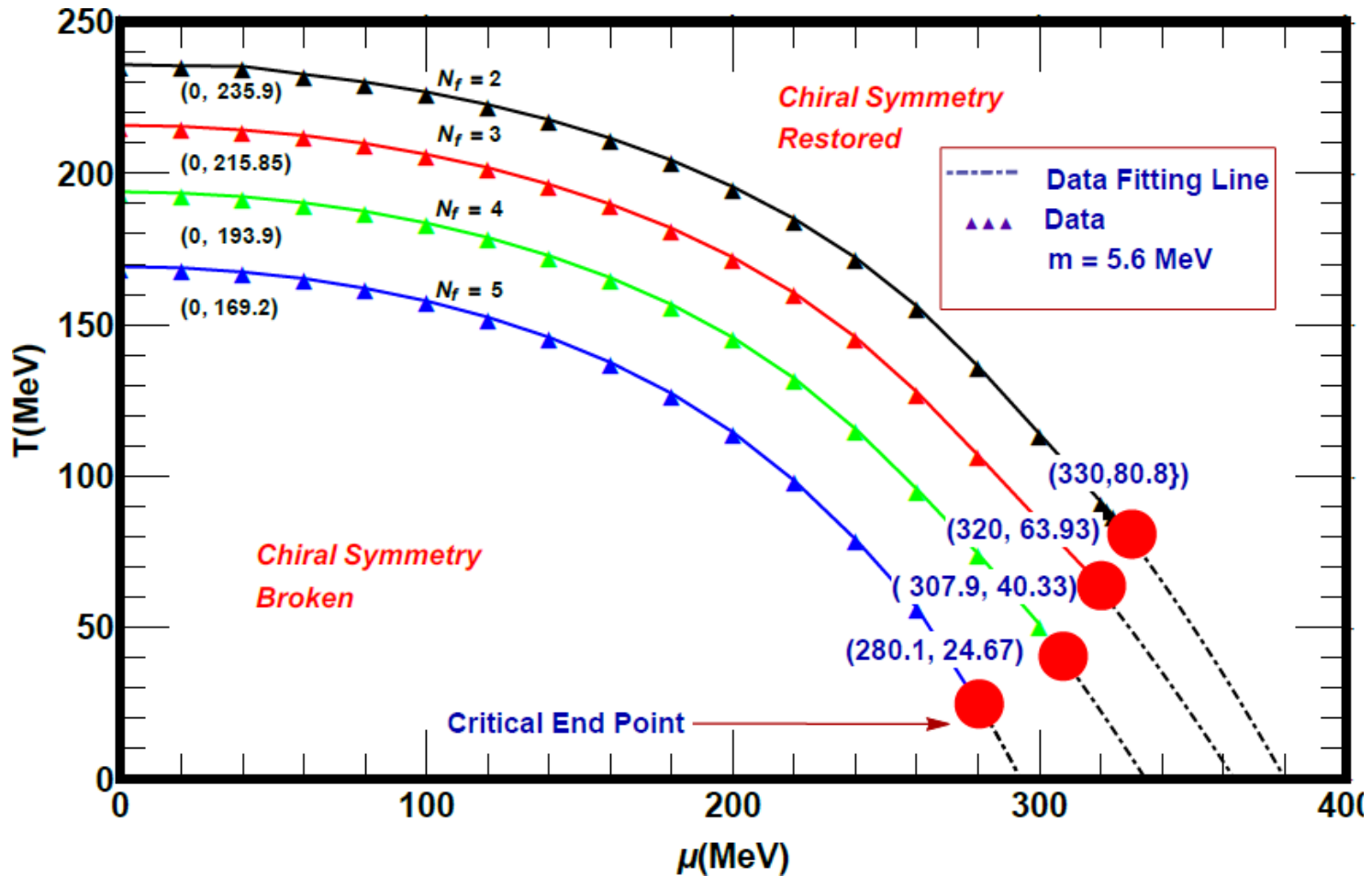


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QCD Phase Diagrams for Higher Number of Flavors (Combined)



- For fixed 3- colors






Summery and Conclusions



- For Fixed $N_f = 2$: the critical number of colors for the dynamical chiral symmetry breaking is $N_c^c = 2.18$.
- In the presence of quark chemical potential or temperature or both, the critical number of colors for chiral phase transition increases.
- For fixed $N_c = 3$: the critical number of flavors for chiral phase transition is observed to be equal to $N_f^c = 8$.
- We noted that, if we increase the chemical potential or temperature or both, the critical number of flavors for chiral phase transition decreases.
- For higher values of flavors, i.e. $N_f > 5$ the chiral phase transition is totally crossover and we cannot find first order phase transition in the QCD phase diagrams.

Table-A: For fixed $N_c=3$:

S.No	N_f	$m(\text{MeV})$	$T_c(\text{in MeV})$	CEP(μ_{Ep}, T_{Ep}) in MeV
01	2	5.6	235	(330, 81) 
02	3	5.6	216	(320, 64)
03	4	5.6	194	(308, 40.33)
04	5	5.6	169	(280, 25)

[Buballa, *Phys.Rept.* 407
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Table-B: For fixed $N_f=2$:

S.No	N_c	$m(\text{MeV})$	$T_c(\text{MeV})$	$(\mu_{Ep}, T_{Ep})(\text{MeV})$
01	3	5.6	235	(330, 81)
02	4	5.6	377	(415, 184.7)
03	5	5.6	503	(508.5, 270.5)
04	6	5.6	623	(604.4, 349.4)

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