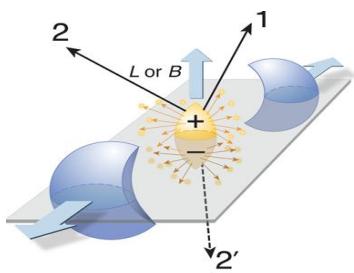


# Gluon polarization under rotation and its contribution to phase transitions and vector meson spin alignment

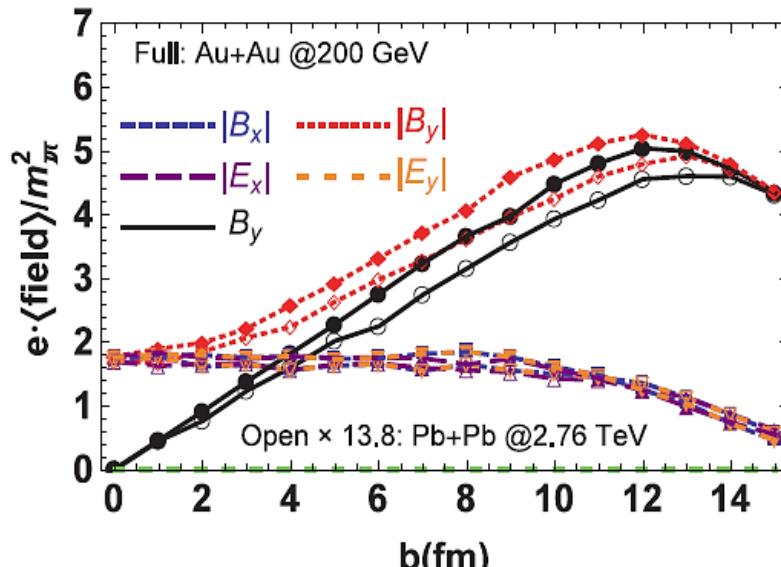
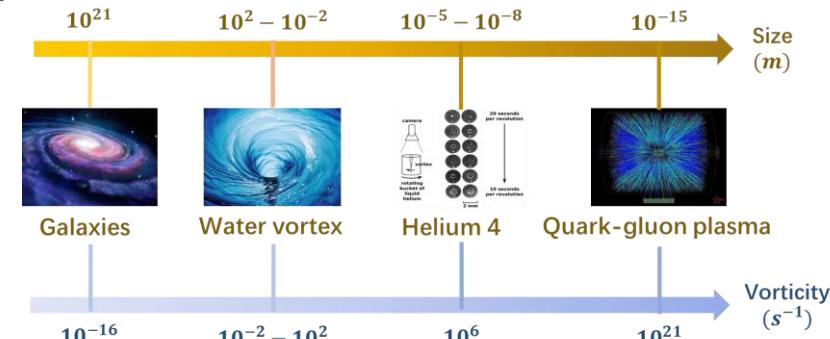
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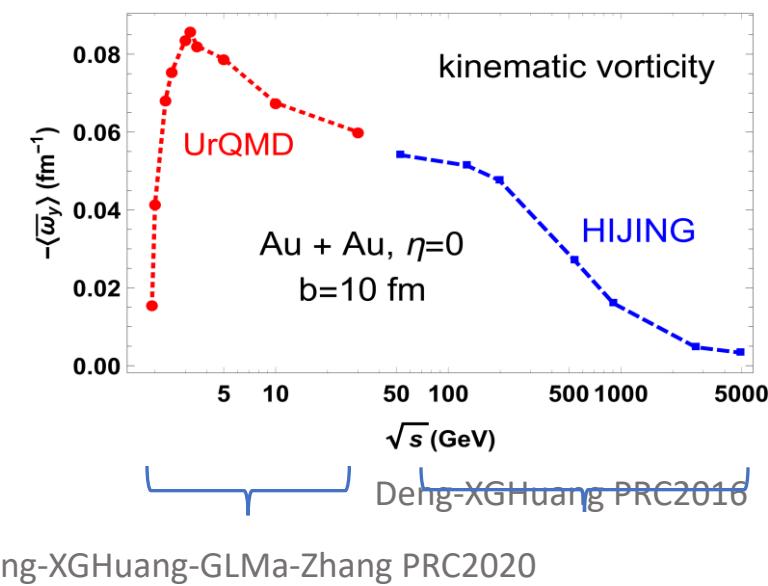
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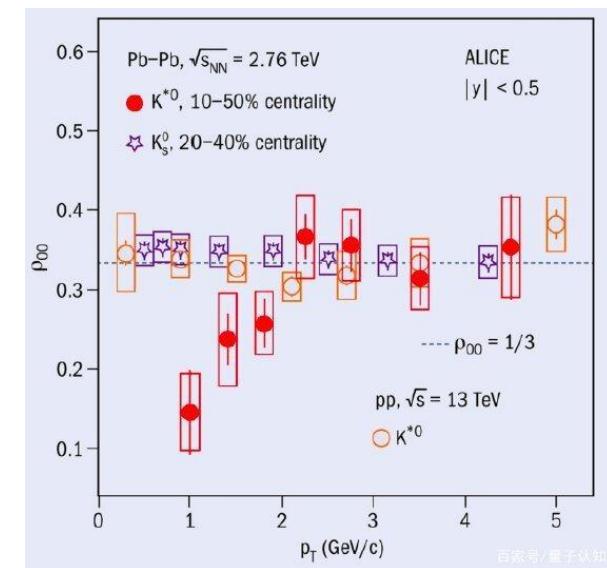
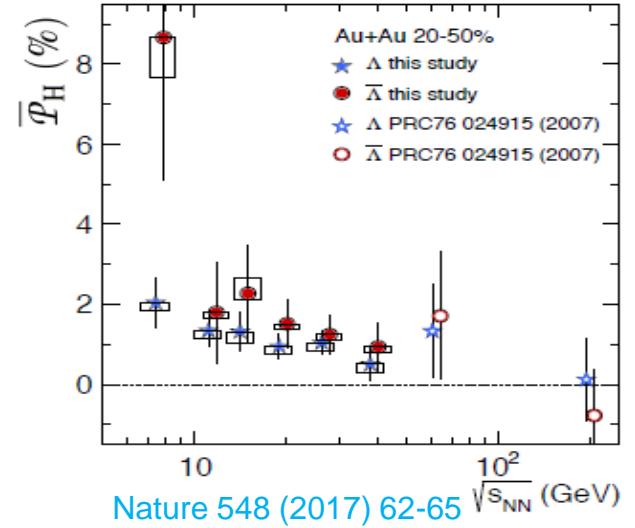
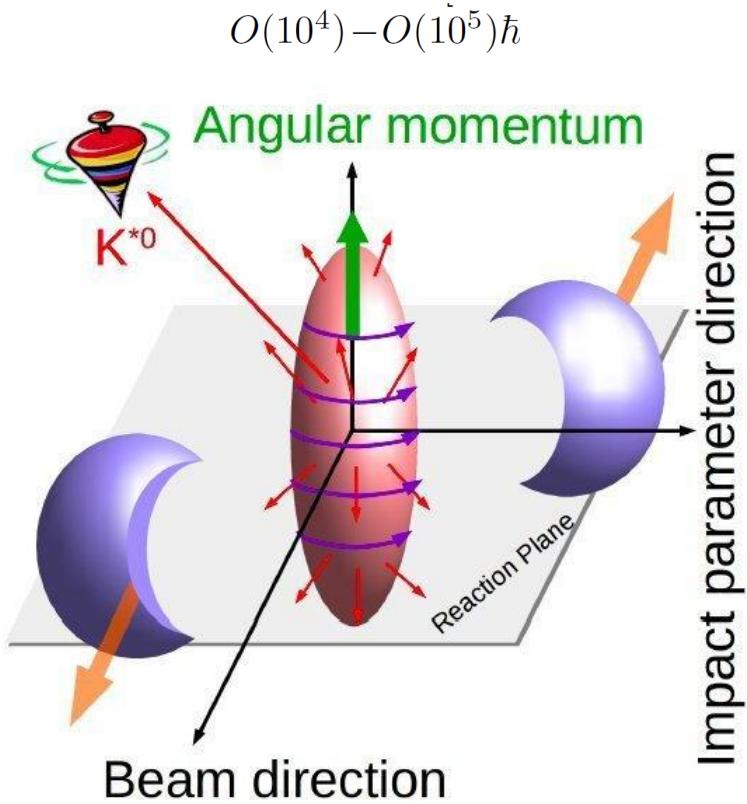


# ROTATION



HIJING (Deng-XG Huang PRC2012)





Physical Review Letters (2020).  
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1, QCD phase transitions under rotation,

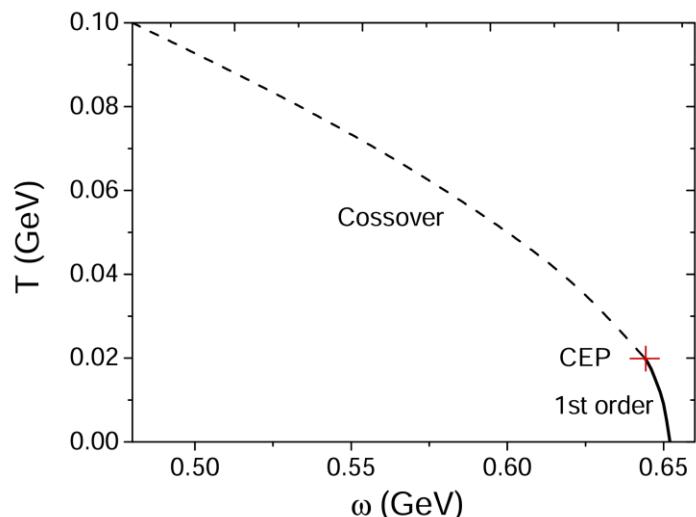
2, Spin alignment

# Chiral dynamics under rotation from NJL model

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}[i\bar{\gamma}^\mu(\partial_\mu + \Gamma_\mu) - m]\psi + G_S[(\bar{\psi}\psi)^2 + (\bar{\psi}i\gamma_5\vec{\tau}\psi)^2] - G_V[(\bar{\psi}\gamma_\mu\psi)^2 + (\bar{\psi}\gamma_\mu\gamma_5\psi)^2].$$

$$\Gamma_\mu = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2} [\gamma^a, \gamma^b] \Gamma_{ab\mu} \quad \Gamma_{ab\mu} = \eta_{ac} (e_\sigma^c G_{\mu\nu}^\sigma e_b^\nu - e_b^\nu \partial_\mu e_\nu^c)$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}[i\gamma^\mu(\partial_\mu + \gamma^0\omega\hat{J}_z) - M]\psi - \mu\psi^\dagger\psi - \frac{(M-m)^2}{4G_S}.$$



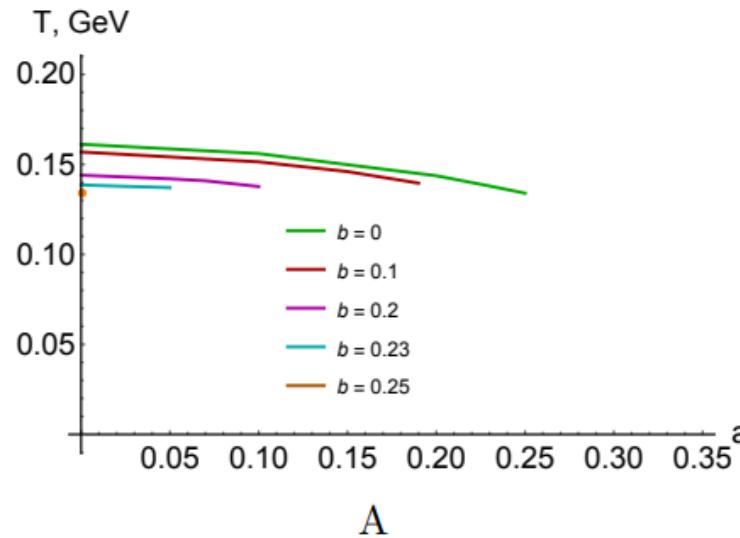
Angular velocity is similar to the chemical potential, critical temperature decreases with angular velocity.

Consistent with many other effective model results, many references should be here.

Yin Jiang, Jinfeng Liao PRL2016

# Holographic results: critical temperature decreases with angular velocity

## Kerr-AdS black holes

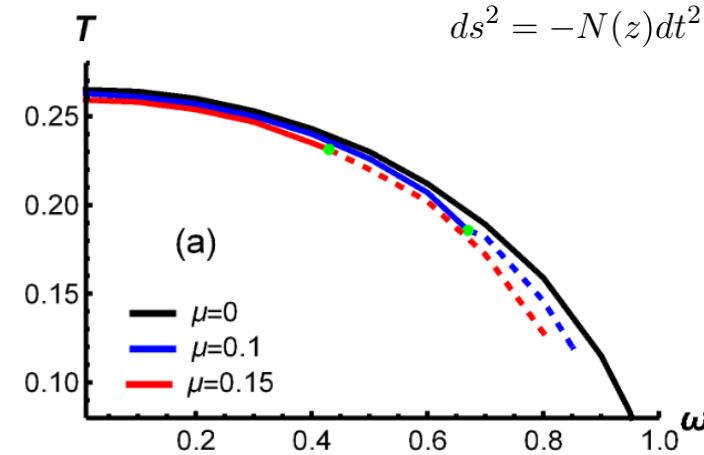


I.Y. Aref'eva, et al., e-Print: 2004.12984, JHEP (2021),  
Confirmed by many results in this framework

## Doing a local Lorentz boost

### Pure gluon system

$$t \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (\omega l)^2}}(t + \omega l^2 \theta), \phi \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (\omega l)^2}}(\theta + \omega t).$$



$$ds^2 = -N(z)dt^2 + \frac{H(z)dz^2}{G(z)} + R(z)(d\theta + P(z)dt)^2 + H(z) \sum_{i=1}^2 dx_i^2,$$

$$N(z) = \frac{H(z)G(z)(1 - \omega^2 l^2)}{1 - G(z)\omega^2 l^2},$$

$$H(z) = \frac{L^2 e^{2A_e(z)}}{z^2},$$

$$R(z) = H(z)\gamma^2 l^2 - H(z)G(z)\gamma^2 \omega^2 l^4,$$

$$P(z) = \frac{\omega - G(z)\omega}{1 - G(z)\omega^2 l^2},$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \omega^2 l^2}}.$$

Xun Chen, Lin Zhang, Danning Li,  
Defu Hou, MH, arXiv: 2010.14478, JHEP (2021)  
Confirmed by many results in this framework

# Influence of relativistic rotation on the confinement/deconfinement transition in gluodynamics

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$$g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - r^2\Omega^2 & \Omega y & -\Omega x & 0 \\ \Omega y & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\Omega x & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

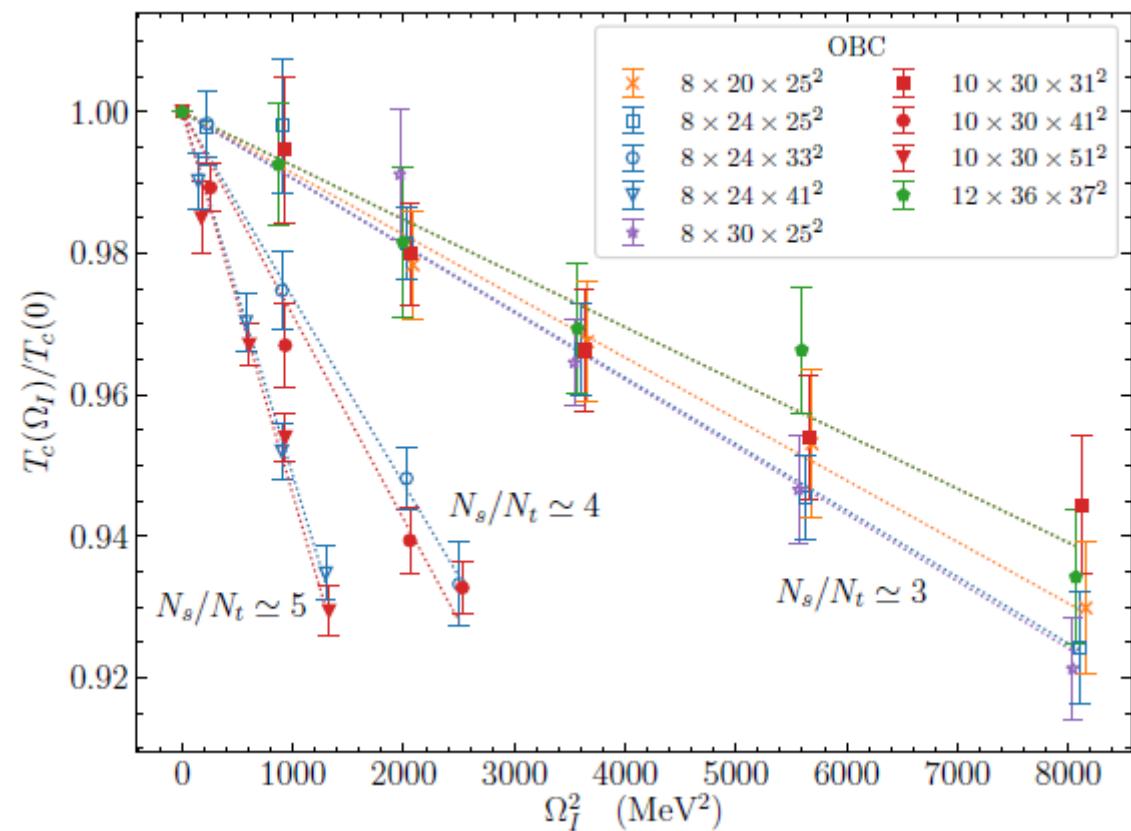
imaginary angular velocity  $\Omega_I = -i\Omega$

$$\frac{T_c(\Omega_I)}{T_c(0)} = 1 - C_2\Omega_I^2$$

$$\frac{T_c(\Omega)}{T_c(0)} = 1 + C_2\Omega^2$$

Critical temperature of deconfinement phase transition increases with rotation in lattice! Confirmed by other lattice studies!

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e-Print: [2102.05084](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.05084)



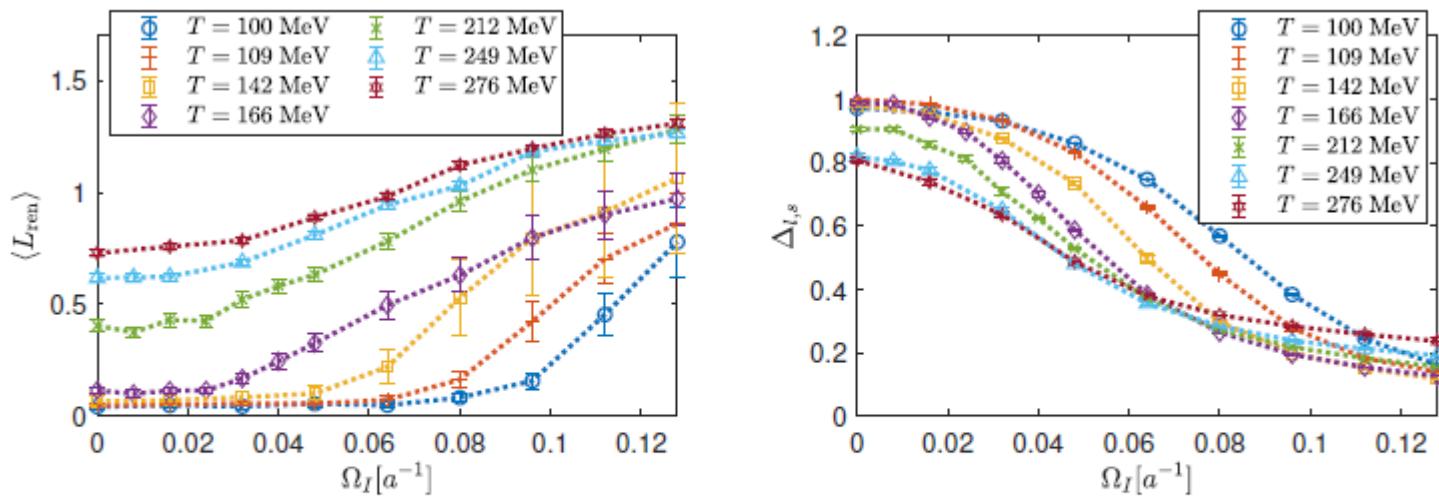


FIG. 4. The Polyakov loop and chiral condensate as functions of  $\Omega_I$ .

Opposite results on the effect of rotation on  
the critical temperature of deconfinement  
phase transition in hQCD and lattice has  
attracted much attention ! What's missing?

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Victor Ambrus, *Phys.Lett.B* 855 (2024), e-Print: 2502.09738,...

Maxim Chernodub, *Phys.Rev.D* 103 (2021), *Phys.Rev.D* 110 (2024),...

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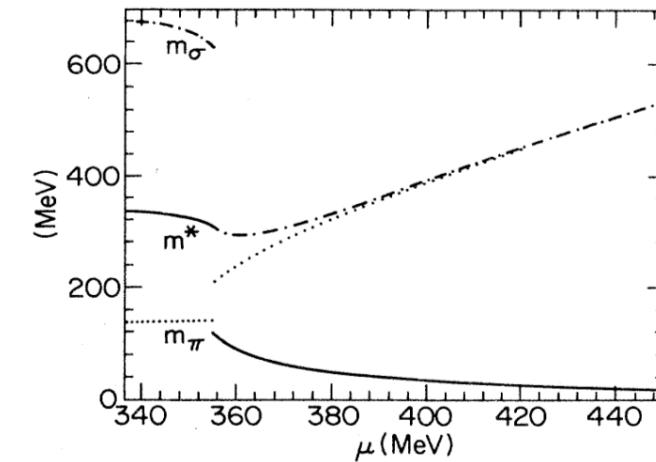
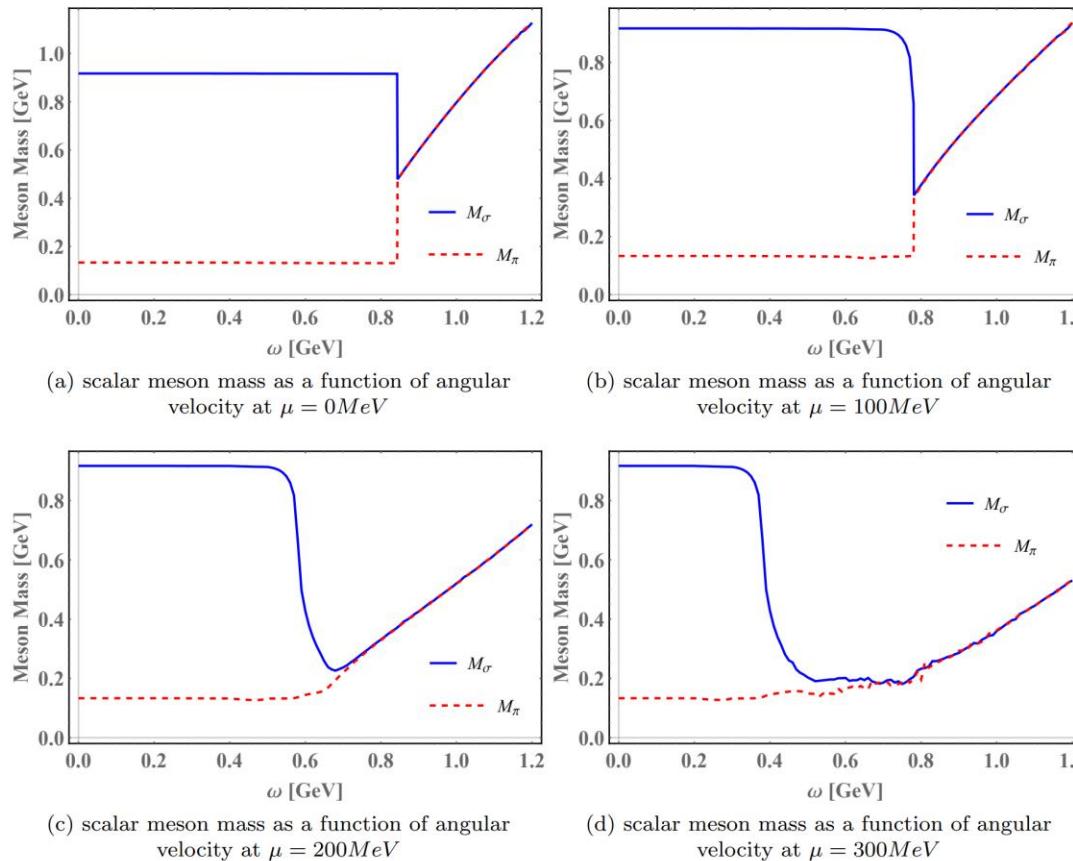
Gaoqing Cao, e-Print: 2310.03310,...

Yin Jiang, *Phys.Lett.B* 862 (2025),...

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# What's missing?

Minghua Wei, Ying Jiang, MH 2011.10987  
mesons under rotation in the NJL model



Scalar meson masses as functions of angular velocity. The effect of rotation on the scalar meson mass is similar to that of chemical potential !

## Vector meson masses as functions of angular velocity

$$\Pi^{\mu\nu,ab}(q) = -i \int d^4\tilde{r} Tr_{sfc}[i\gamma^\mu \tau^a S(0;\tilde{r}) i\gamma^\nu \tau^b S(\tilde{r};0)] e^{q \cdot \tilde{r}}$$

$$D_\rho^{\mu\nu}(q^2) = D_1(q^2)P_1^{\mu\nu} + D_2(q^2)P_2^{\mu\nu} + D_3(q^2)L^{\mu\nu} + D_4(q^2)u^\mu u^\nu$$

$$P_1^{\mu\nu} = -\epsilon_1^\mu \epsilon_1^\nu, (S_z = -1 \text{ for } \rho \text{ meson})$$

$$P_2^{\mu\nu} = -\epsilon_2^\mu \epsilon_2^\nu, (S_z = +1 \text{ for } \rho \text{ meson})$$

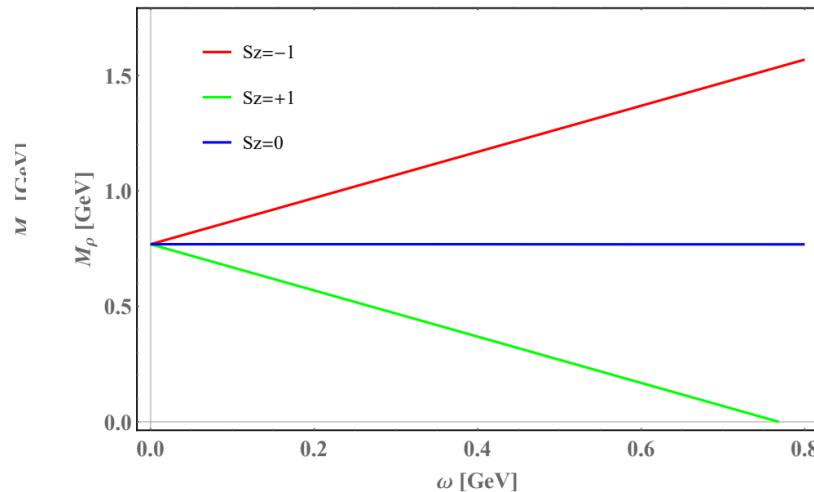
$$L^{\mu\nu} = -b^\mu b^\nu, (S_z = 0 \text{ for } \rho \text{ meson})$$

$$1 + 2G_V A_i^2 = 0$$

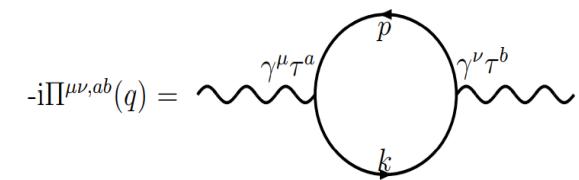
$$A_1^2 = -(\Pi_{11} - i\Pi_{12}), (S_z = -1 \text{ for } \rho \text{ meson})$$

$$A_2^2 = -\Pi_{11} - i\Pi_{12}, (S_z = +1 \text{ for } \rho \text{ meson})$$

$$A_3^2 = \Pi_{33}, (S_z = 0 \text{ for } \rho \text{ meson})$$



Minghua Wei, Ying Jiang, MH, 2011.10987



Zeeman splitting effect for different spin component!  
Mass of spin component +1 vector meson decreases with rotation. Rotation is charge blind, rho meson can be regarded as a gluon.

For massless gluon, will have BEC. (corresponding to Nielson-Olesson instability by Kenji?)

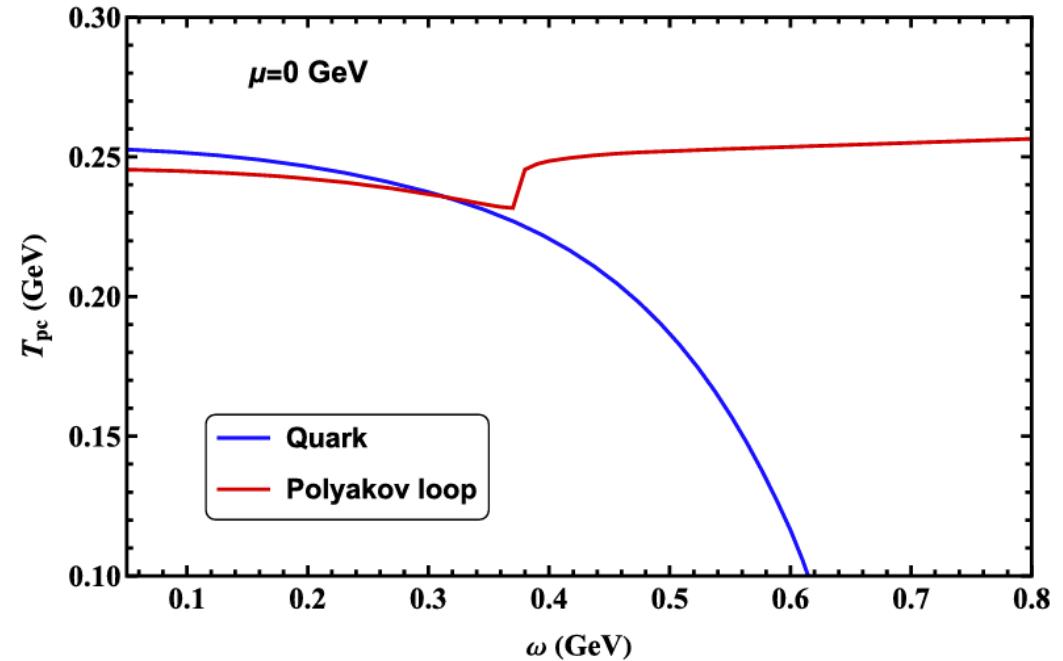
Gluons are spin-1 particles, should be more sensitive to rotation than that of quarks!

Add gluodynamics under rotation in PNJL

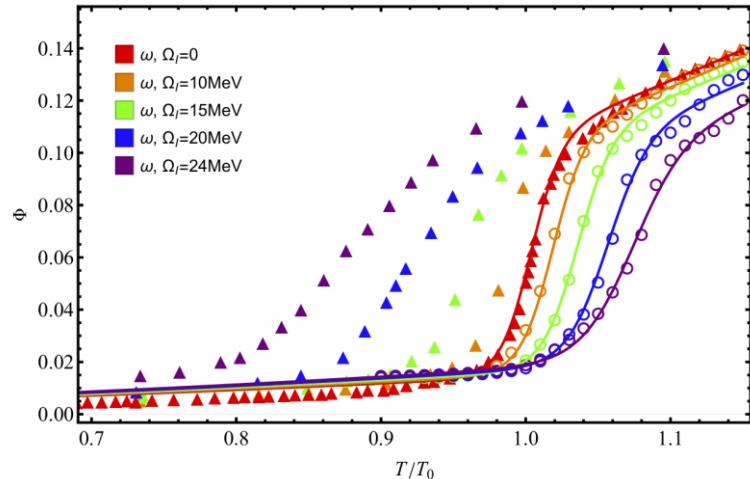
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{PNJL}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{NJL}} + \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu A_\mu \psi - \mathcal{U}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}, T),$$

Splitting of chiral and deconfinement phase transitions induced by rotation!

Fei Sun, Kun Xu, MH, e-Print: 2307.14402, PRD2023



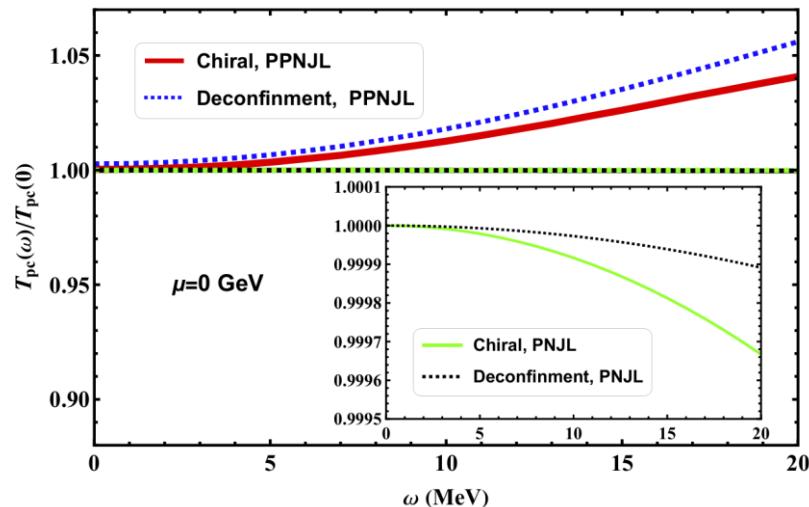
## Polarized-Polyakov-loop Nambu–Jona-Lasinio model under rotation



$$\Phi(T, \omega) = \left(\frac{T}{T_0}\right)^2 f(T, \omega)$$

Fit Lattice data V. V. Braguta PRD2021

$$\frac{\mathcal{U}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}, T, \omega)}{T^4} = -Cf(T, \omega) \left(\frac{T}{T_0}\right)^2 \Phi \bar{\Phi} - \frac{1}{3} (\Phi^3 + \bar{\Phi}^3) + C^{-1} f^{-1}(T, \omega) \left(\frac{T}{T_0}\right)^{-2} \Phi^2 \bar{\Phi}^2,$$



Both chiral and deconfinement PTs critical temperatures increase with rotation!  
 Lesson: Polarized gluons should be taken into account under rotation!

# Holographic QCD Model Nf=2

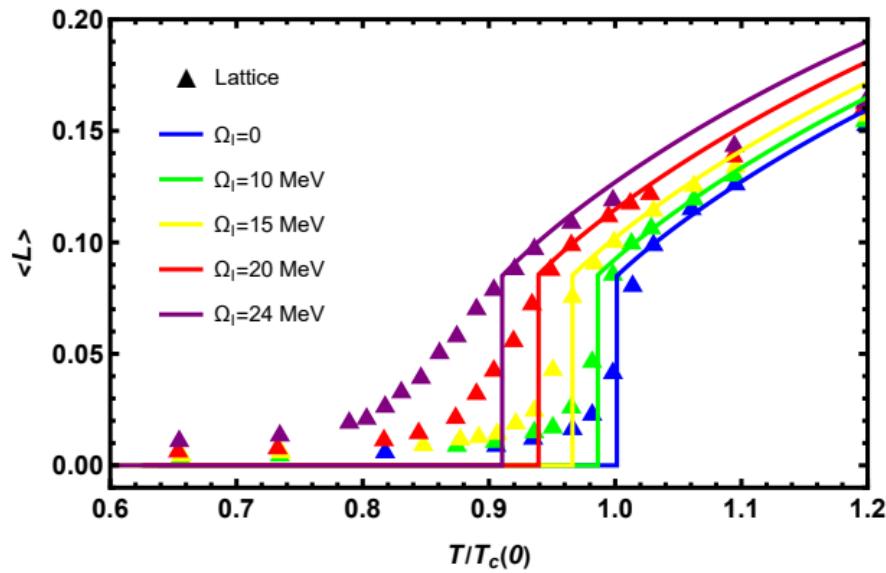
$$\begin{aligned}
S_{\text{tot}}^s &= S_G^s + S_M^s, \\
S_G^s &= \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g^s} e^{-2\Phi} \left[ R^s + 4\partial_M \Phi \partial^M \Phi - V^s(\Phi) - \frac{h(\Phi)}{4} e^{\frac{4\Phi}{3}} F_{MN} F^{MN} \right], \\
S_M^s &= - \int d^5x \sqrt{-g^s} e^{-\Phi} \text{Tr} [\nabla_M X^\dagger \nabla^M X + V_X(|X|, F_{MN} F^{MN})],
\end{aligned}$$

Anisotropic background under rotation, cylindrical coordinate

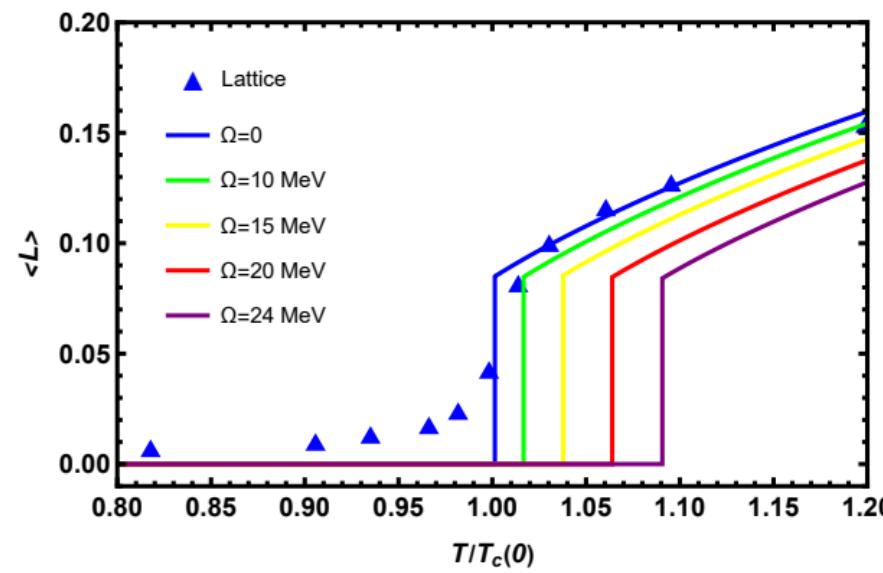
$$\begin{aligned}
ds^2 &= \frac{L^2 e^{2A_e(z)}}{z^2} [-f(z)dt^2 + \frac{dz^2}{f(z)} + e^{B(z)}dr^2 + r^2 e^{B(z)}d\theta^2 + e^{-2B(z)}dx_3^2], \\
A_M &= (A_t, 0, 0, A_\theta, 0), \quad A_\theta = \Omega r^2, \quad A_\theta \sim \Omega r^2 + \rho_\theta(r, z).
\end{aligned}$$

Polarized gluodynamics represented by a rotation-dependent dilation field

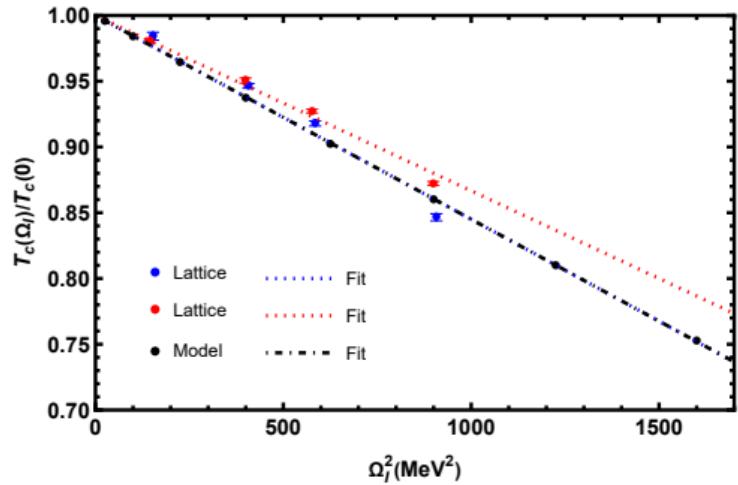
$$\Phi = (\mu_G + \mu_\Omega \Omega^2)^2 z^2 \tanh(\mu_{G^2}^4 z^2 / (\mu_G + \mu_\Omega \Omega^2)^2).$$



(a) imaginary rotation



(b) real rotation



$$T_c(\Omega_I)/T_c(0) = 1 - C_2 \Omega_I^2$$

The only parameter  $\mu_\Omega$  to be determined in the DHQCD model is based on the relationship between the phase transition temperature  $T_c(\Omega_I)$  and the imaginary angular velocity predicted by lattice QCD.

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# Results

Y. Chen, X. Chen, D. Li and MH, arXiv:2405.06386, Phys.Rev.D 111 (2025)

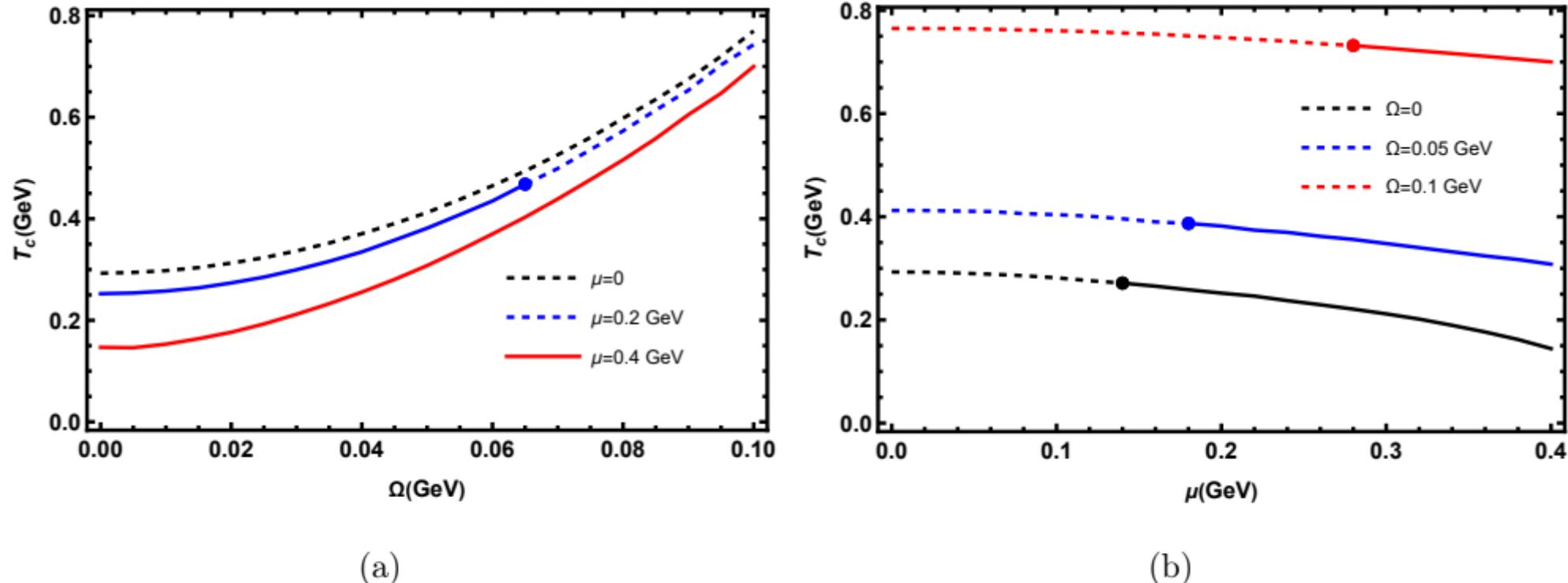
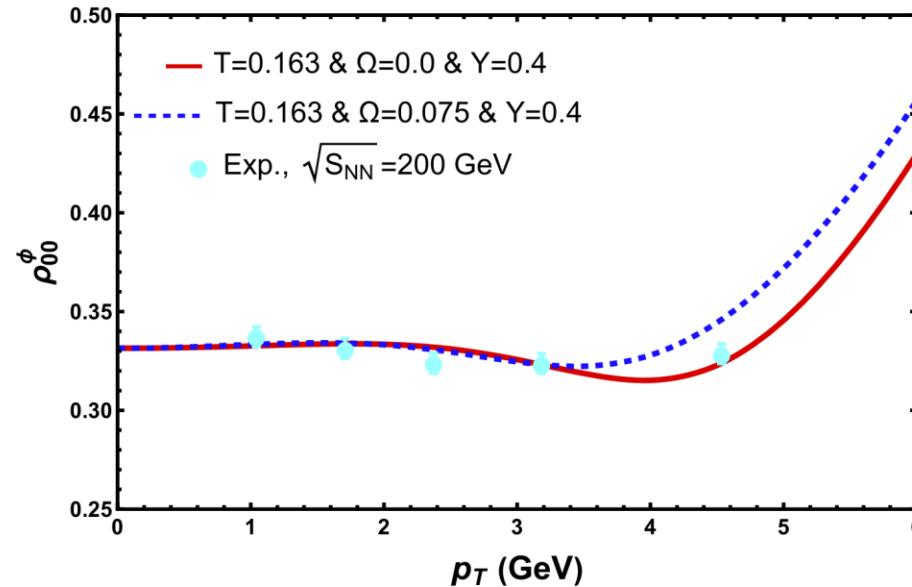
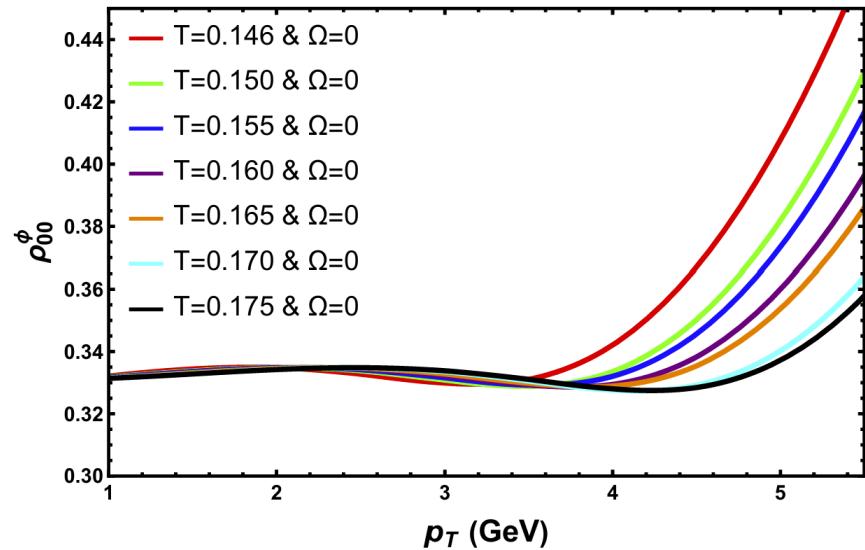


FIG. 7. The  $T - \Omega$  and  $T - \mu$  phase diagrams of chiral phase transition for 2-flavor system.

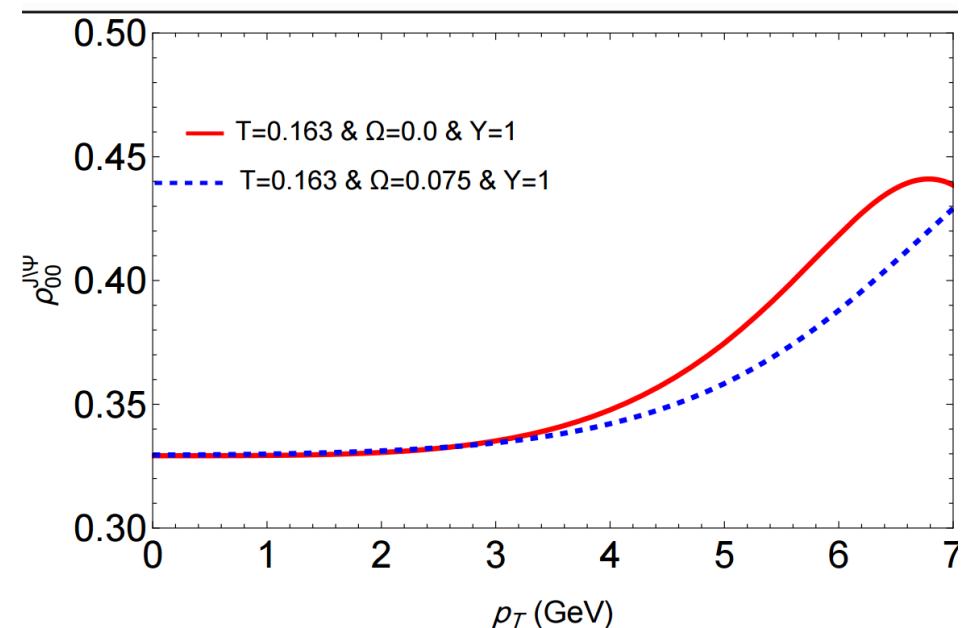
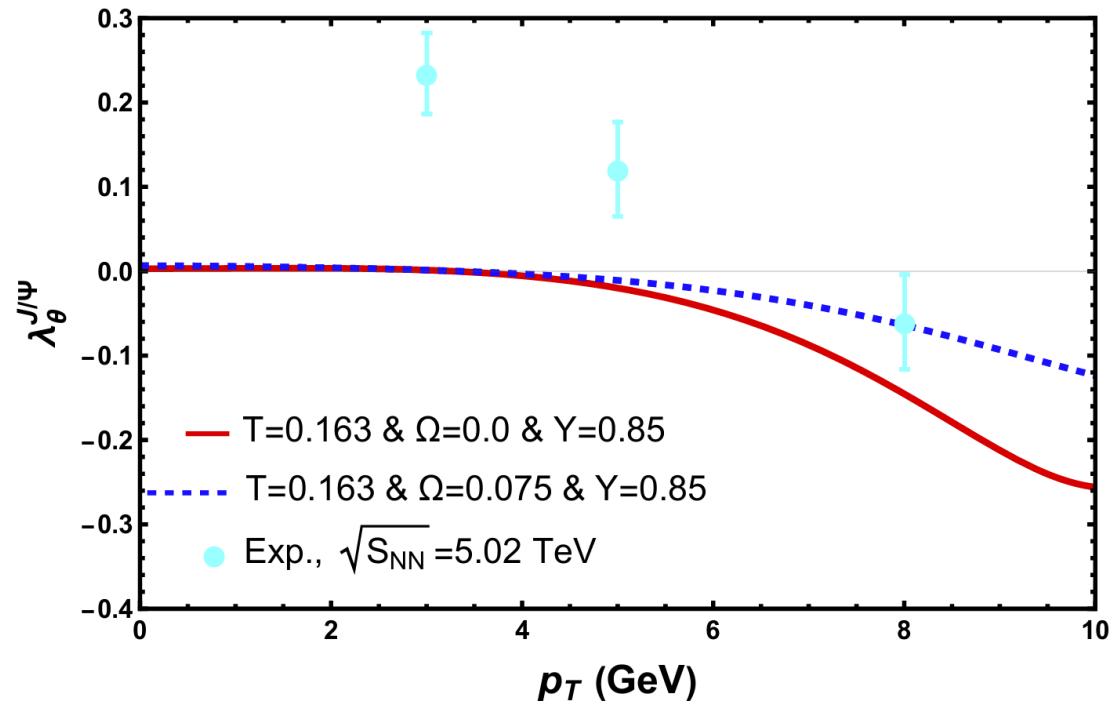
# Spin alignment in Holographic QCD Model Nf=2+1+1

Hiwa A. Ahmed, Yidian Chen, and MH, arXiv:2501.13401, PRD2025

$$\varrho^{\mu\nu}(x, p) = \sum_{\lambda, \lambda' = 0, \pm 1} v^\mu(\lambda, p) v^{*\nu}(\lambda', p) \tilde{\varrho}_{\lambda\lambda'}(x, p),$$



For the  $\phi$  meson, the averaged  $\rho_{00}$  over the full range of azimuthal angle shows weak temperature dependence at low transverse momentum ( $p_T$ ), but significant suppression at high  $p_T$ , aligning with experimental observations



The  $J/\psi$  meson, however, displays insensitivity to temperature and rotation up to  $p_T = 5$  GeV

## Summary

- 1, The puzzle on critical temperature of QCD PTs under rotation is understood by considering polarized gluon DOF!
- 2, More elegant framework taking into account of polarized gluodynamics under rotation is needed.

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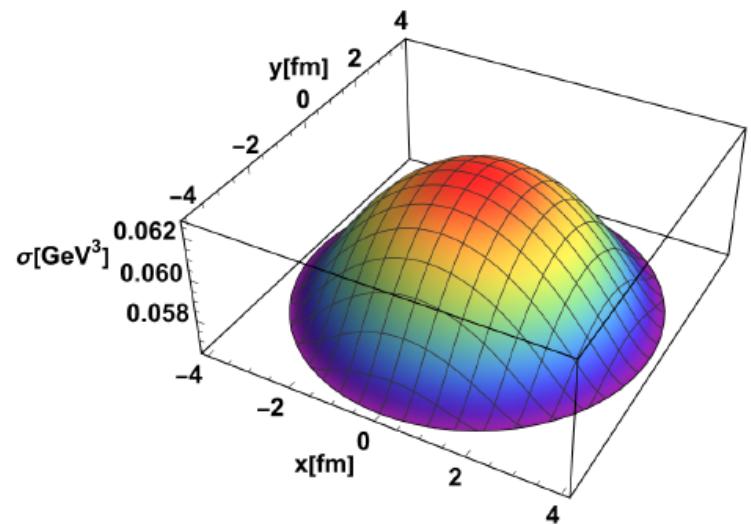
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# Inhomogeneous condensation

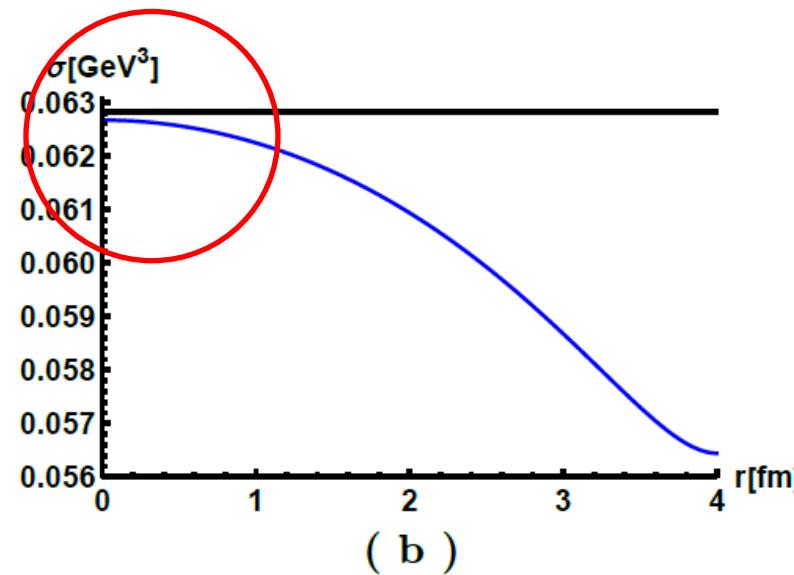
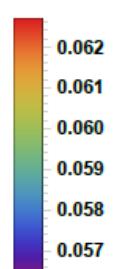
Y. Chen, Danning Li and M. Huang, Phys.Rev.D (2022)

Parameters  $(m_q, v_3, v_4) = (0, -3, 8)$ ,  $\mu_0 = (0.43 \text{ GeV})^2, \mu_1 = (0.83 \text{ GeV})^2, \mu_2 = (0.176 \text{ GeV})^2$

$$T_c \simeq 174 \text{ MeV}$$



( a )



( b )

Figure 2. 3D and 2D plots of chiral condensation as a function of radial  $r$  at  $T = 170 \text{ MeV}$  and  $\Omega = 0.01 \text{ GeV}$  with NBC and  $(m_q, v_3, v_4) = (0, -3, 8)$ . In Fig.(b), the black line indicates the value of condensation at the same temperature without rotation and finite size.