

Chiral Symmetry Restoration at High Baryon Density

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Why chiral mixing?

Q. Do we see any signal of chiral symmetry restoration in dilepton measurement?

- ❑ Light vector mesons change their properties in hot/dense matter --- χ -sym. restoration?
- ❑ Strategy: vector and axial-vector states
- ❑ Axial-vector mesons can show up in vector spectrum in a medium!

$\langle VV \rangle \leftarrow \text{chiral mixing} \rightarrow \langle AA \rangle$

My fingers crossed,
FAIR/NICA/J-PARC/RHIC-BES!

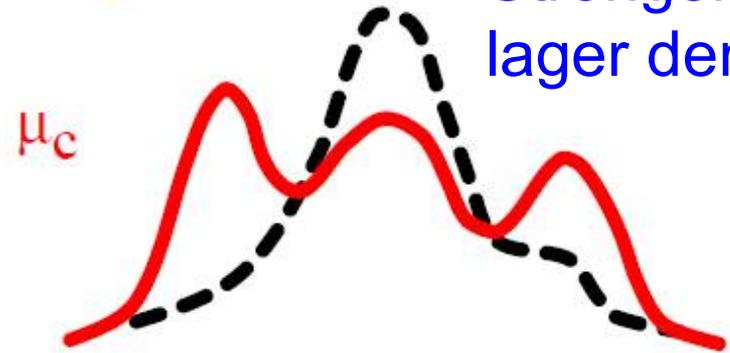


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CS/WZW

Known
Resolved at
restoration

NEW!
Stronger at
larger density



Hot dilute matter

Cold dense matter

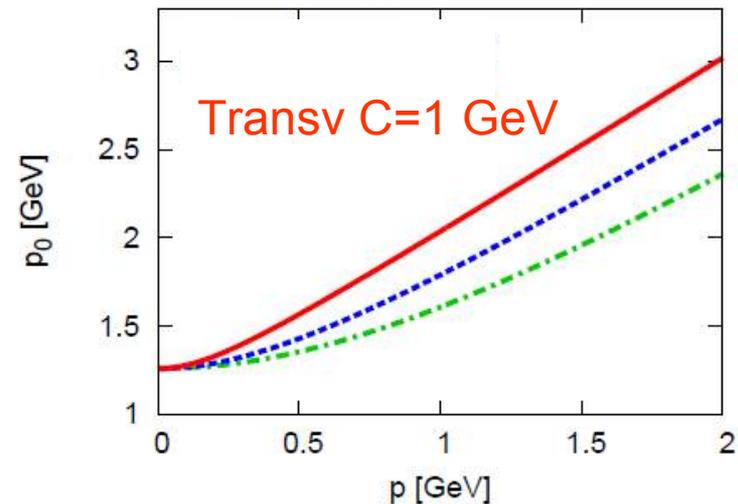
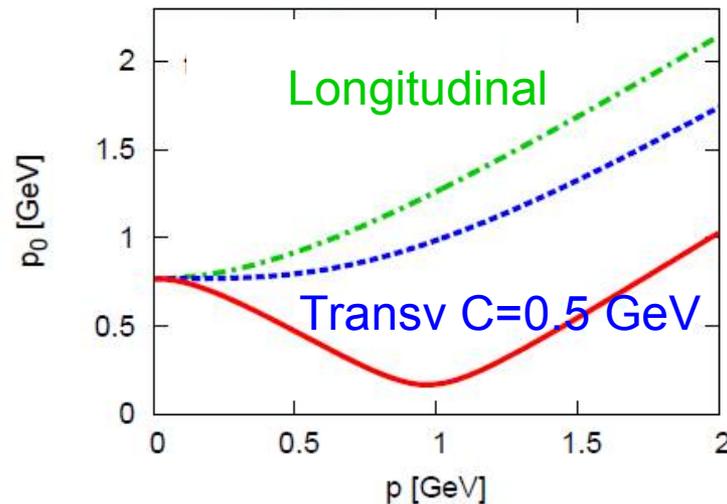
Holographic approach at finite μ B

$$S_{4\text{dim}} = \int d^4x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \pi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m_\pi^2 \pi^2 - \frac{1}{4} (\rho_{\mu\nu})^2 - \frac{1}{4} (a_{\mu\nu})^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_\rho^2 \rho_\nu^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_a^2 a_\mu^2 + C \epsilon^{ijkl} (\rho_i \partial_j a_k + a_i \partial_j \rho_k) \right]$$

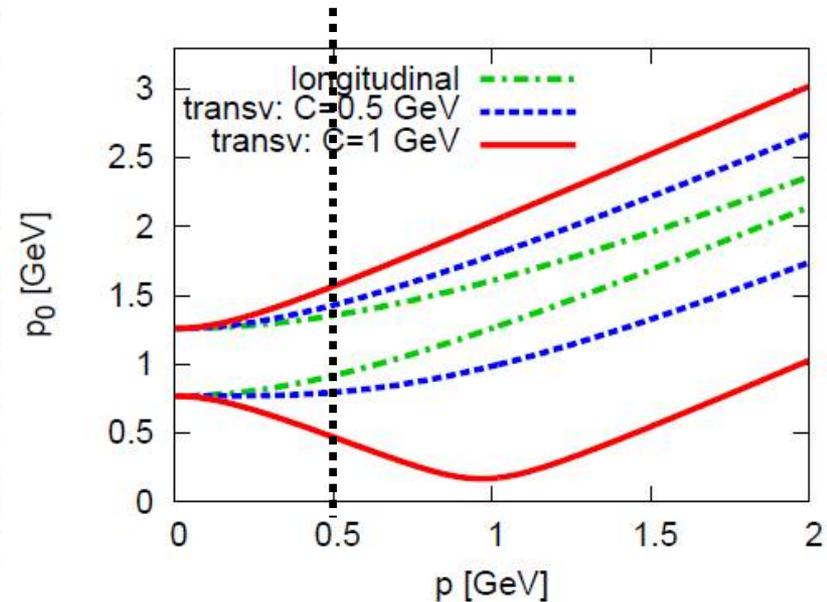
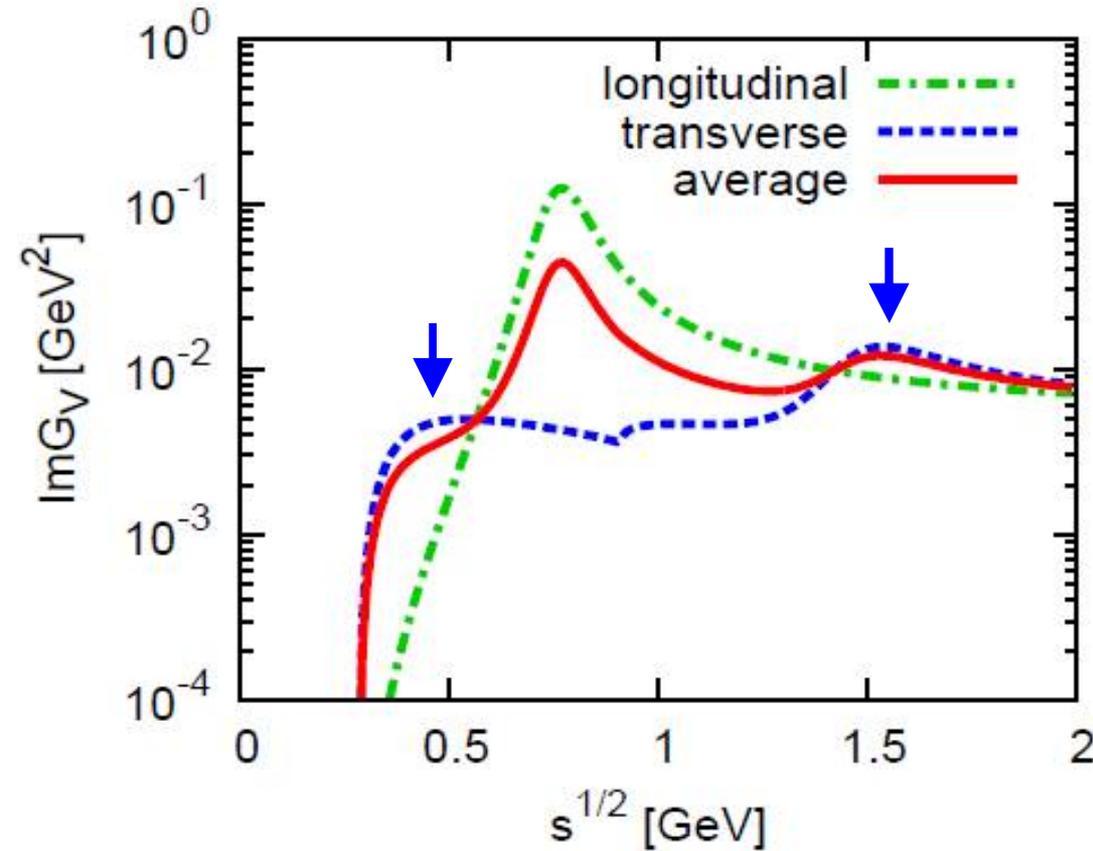
$$p_0^2 - |\vec{p}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left[m_\rho^2 + m_{a_1}^2 \pm \sqrt{(m_{a_1}^2 - m_\rho^2)^2 + 16C^2 |\vec{p}|^2} \right]$$

ρ meson

a_1 meson



Spectral function: Not BW



□ $C = 1 \text{ GeV}$, 3-momentum $p = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$

□ 1 bump of transv. rho, 1 bump of transv. a1

Chiral mixing induced from WZW

□ Wess-Zumino-Witten term [Kaiser, Meissner ('90)]

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega\rho a_1} = g_{\omega\rho a_1} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \omega_\mu [\partial_\nu V_\lambda \cdot A_\sigma + \partial_\nu A_\lambda \cdot V_\sigma]$$

$$\langle \omega_0 \rangle = g_{\omega NN} \cdot n_B / m_\omega^2 \quad C = g_{\omega\rho a_1} \cdot g_{\omega NN} \cdot \frac{n_B}{m_\omega^2}$$

□ Mixing strength: $C = 0.1 \text{ GeV}$ at ρ_0

- AdS/QCD $\rightarrow C = 1 \text{ GeV}$ at $\rho_0 \rightarrow$ vector cond.!?
- Why so large? --- higher-lying states in large N_c

cf. VMD in SS

$$C_{\text{hQCD}} \sim C_{\omega\rho a_1} + \sum_n C_{\omega^n \rho a_1}$$

Weak mixing ... No impact?

A missing piece: χ sym. restoration

$$\langle AA \rangle \rightarrow \langle VV \rangle$$

Chiral restoration vs. mixing

□ Dispersion relations for small 3-momenta

$$p_0^2 \simeq m_{a_1, \rho}^2 + \left(1 \pm \frac{4C^2}{m_{a_1}^2 - m_\rho^2} \right) \vec{p}^2$$

□ The mixing effect will be enhanced as δm decreases!

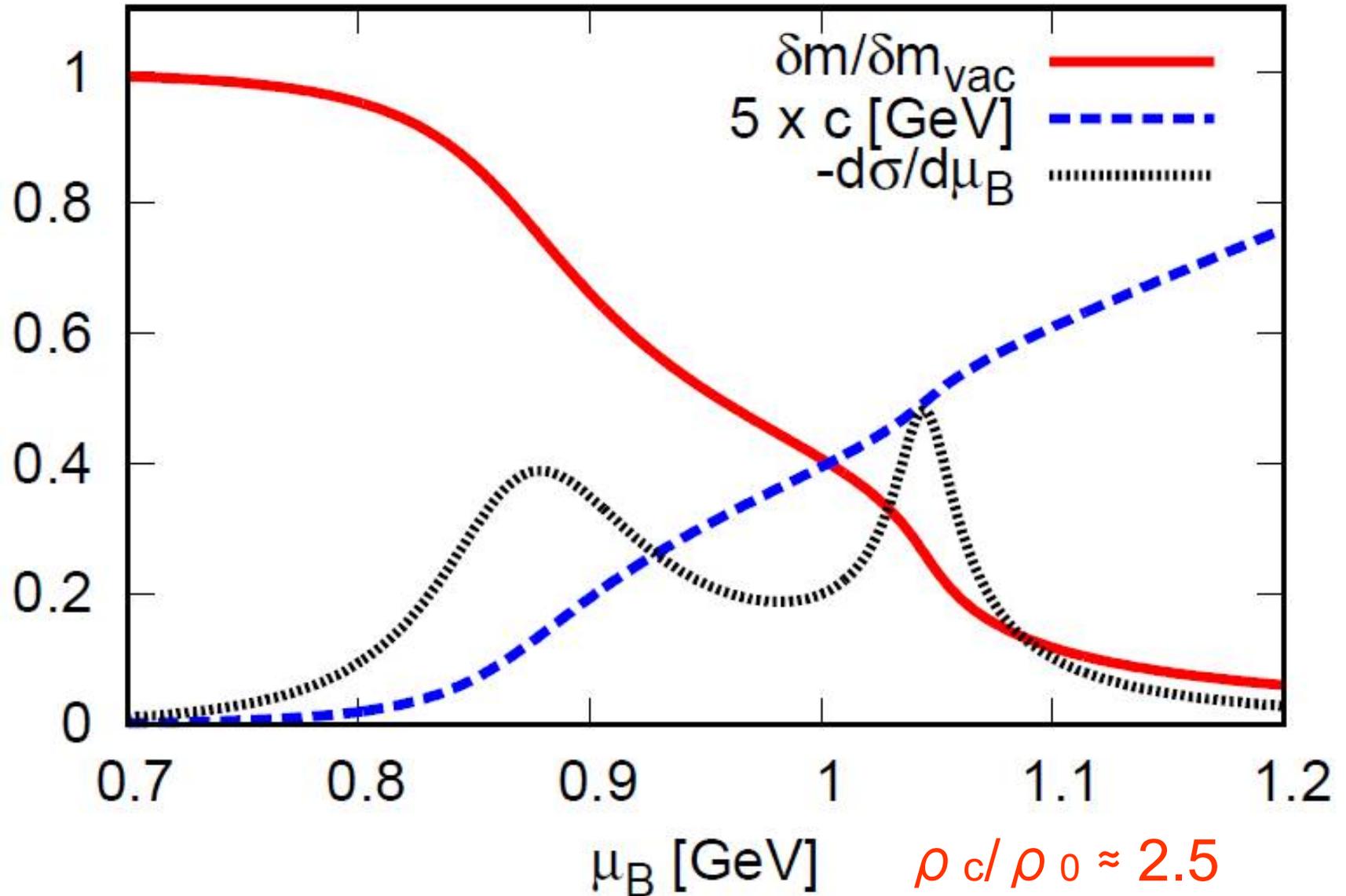
➤ In-medium δm

➤ In-medium mixing C

← Quark-nucleon hybrid model

[NS: Marczenko et al. (19,20)]

Mass difference vs. mixing : T=50 MeV



Vector-current correlator

$$G_V^L = \left(\frac{g_\rho}{m_\rho} \right)^2 \frac{-s}{D_V}, \quad G_V^T = \left(\frac{g_\rho}{m_\rho} \right)^2 \frac{-sD_A + 4C^2\vec{p}^2}{D_V D_A - 4C^2\vec{p}^2},$$

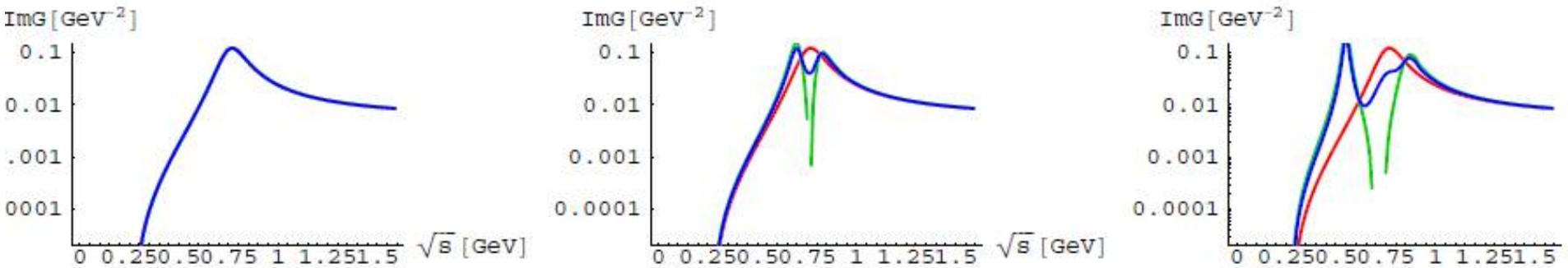
$$D_{V,A} = s - m_{\rho,a_1}^2 + im_{\rho,a_1}\Gamma_{\rho,a_1}(s),$$

□ m and Γ : *in-medium* masses and widths

□ Strategy of an illustrative computation:

- Modify only mass and width of axial-vector states.
- Set G_A equal to G_V at CSR, according to
- $\Gamma_{a_1} = \Gamma(a_1 \rightarrow \rho \pi) + \delta \Gamma(f_\pi) \rightarrow \Gamma_\rho$

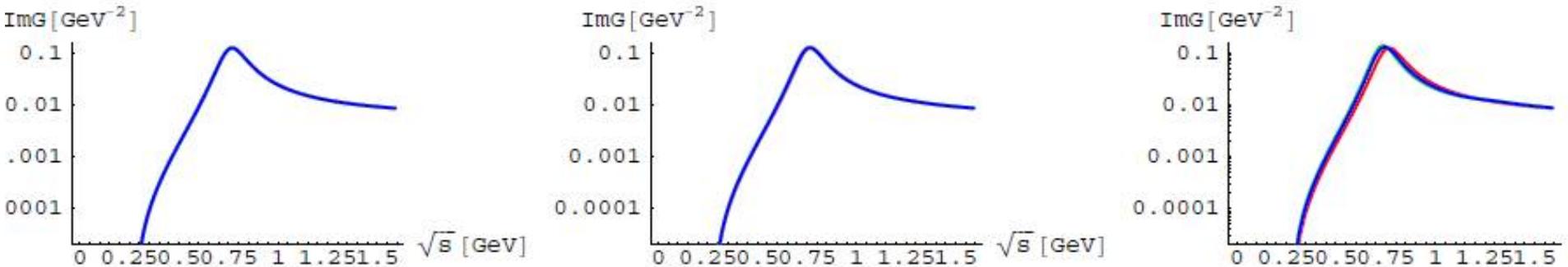
Spectral function at $T = 50 \text{ MeV}$



Low μ



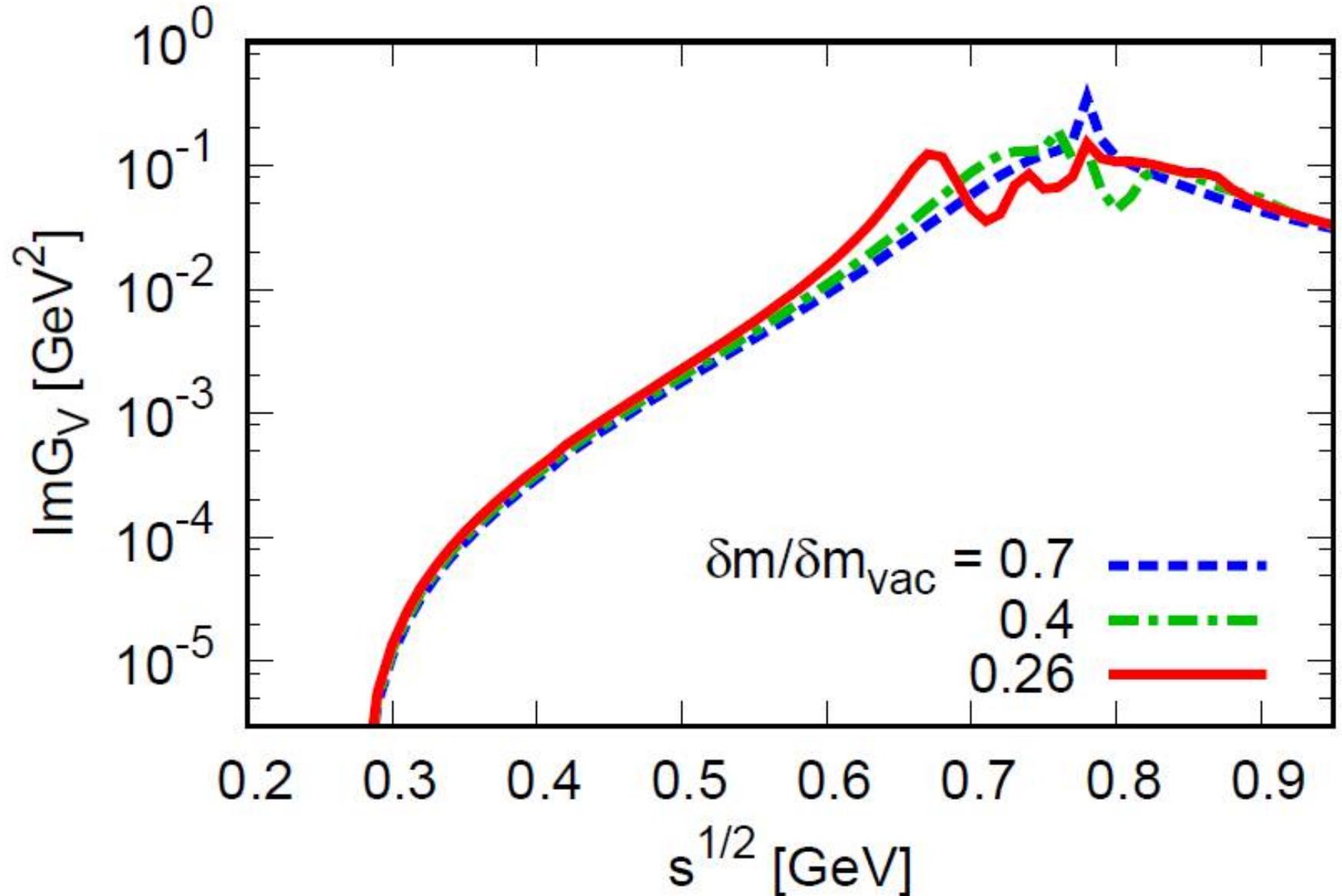
Near μc



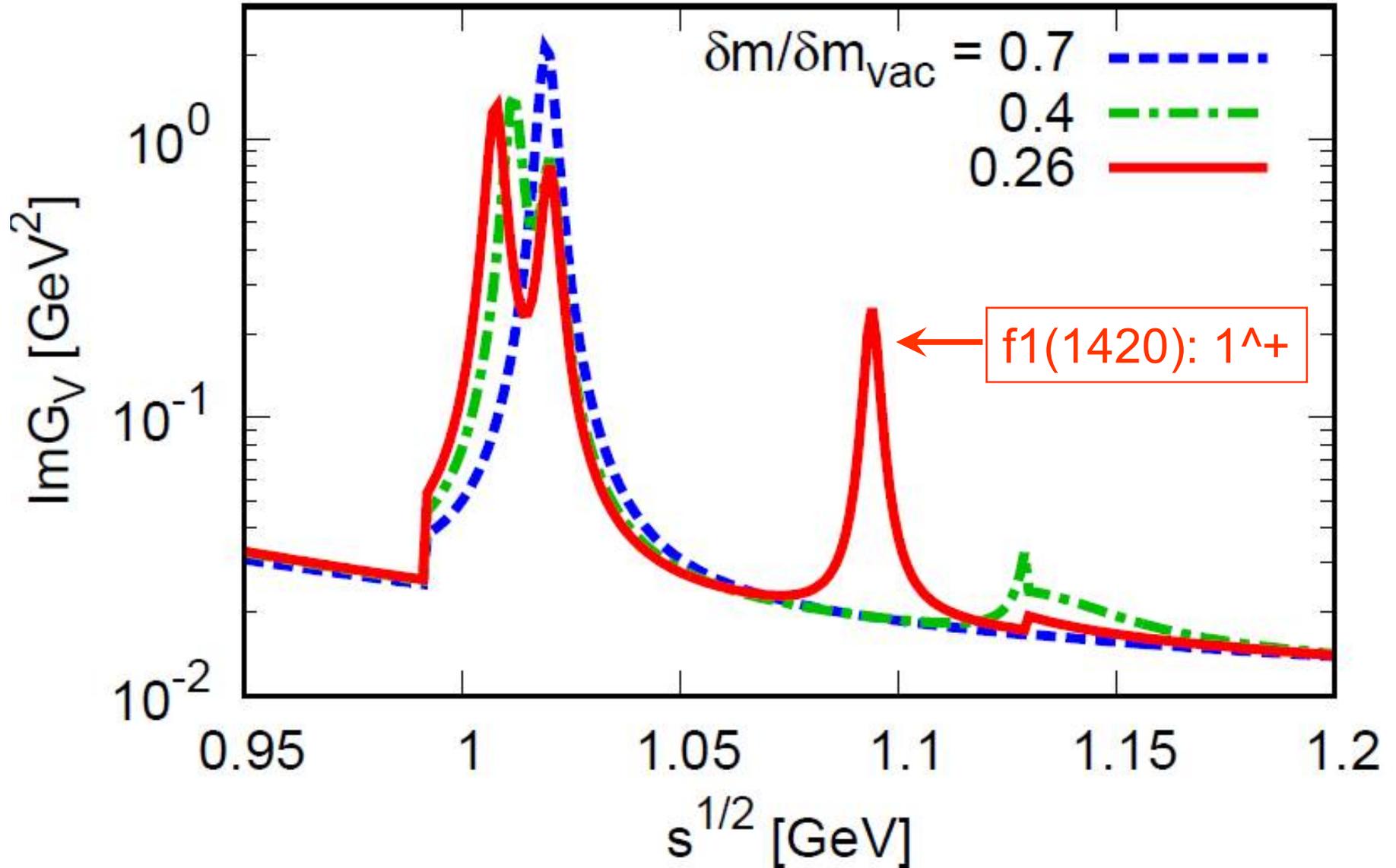
(top) chiral restoration (bottom) no restoration

--- longitudinal --- transverse --- average

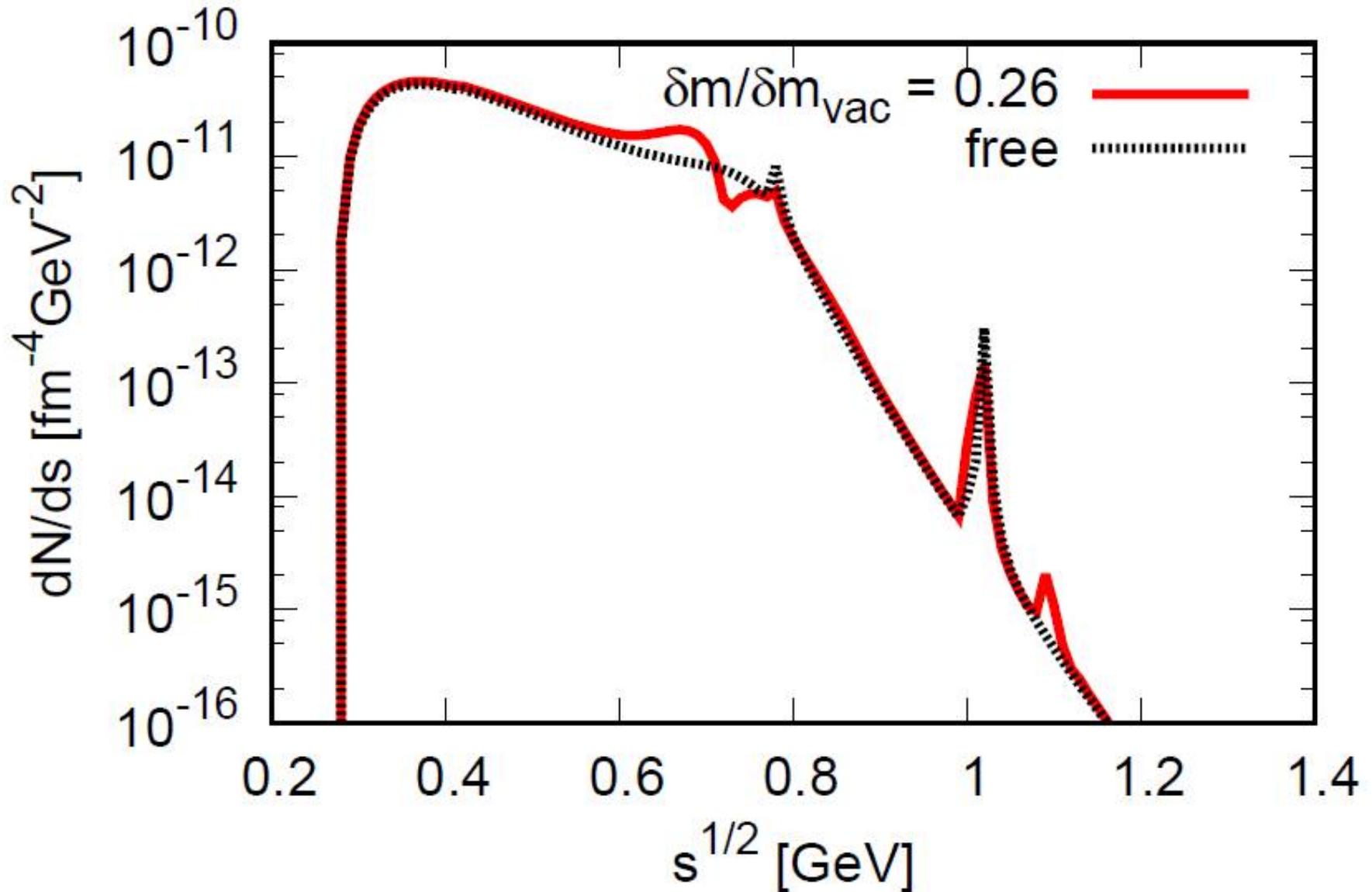
Rho/omega spectrum at T = 50 MeV



Phi spectra at T = 50 MeV



Dilepton rates at $T = 50$ MeV

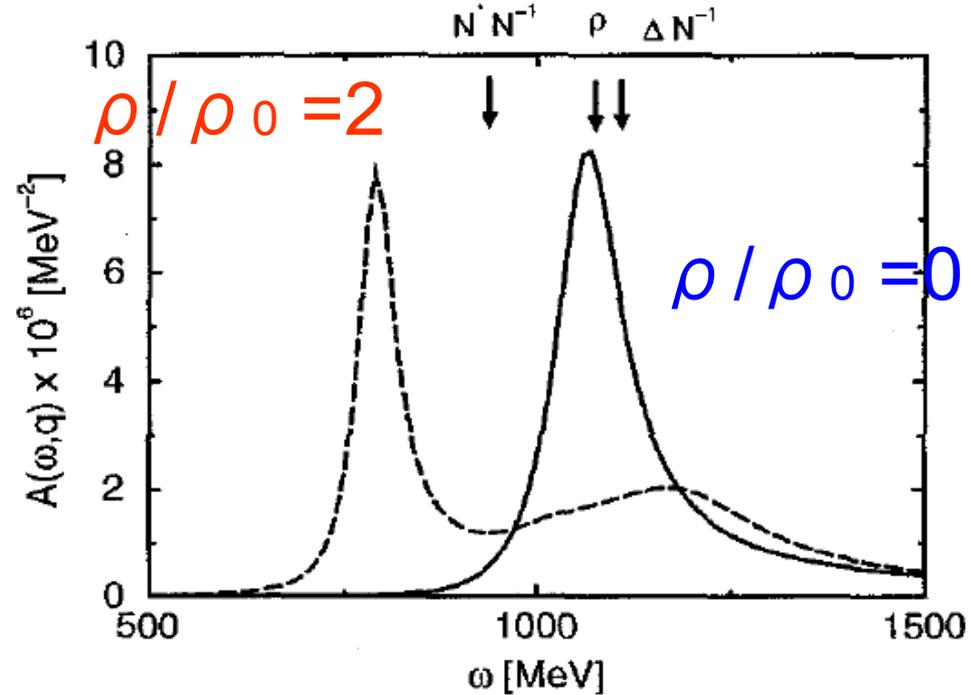


Baryon resonances in ρN channel

N(1720) and Δ (1905)

→ level mixing

[Friman, Pirner (97)]



B	$l_{\rho N} SI(\rho B N^{-1})$	$\Gamma_{\rho N}^0$ [MeV]	$(\frac{f_{\rho B N}^2}{4\pi})_{est}$	$(\frac{f_{\rho B N}^2}{4\pi})_{fit}$	I [MeV]	
N(939)	p	4	—	4.68	5.8	0
Δ (1232)	p	16/9	—	18.72	23.2	15
N(1520)	s	8/3	24	6.95	5.5	250
Δ (1620)	s	8/3	22.5	1.01	0.7	50
Δ (1700)	s	16/9	45	1.2	1.2	50
N(1720)	p	8/3	105	8.99	9.2	50
Δ (1905)	p	4/5	210	17.6	18.5	50

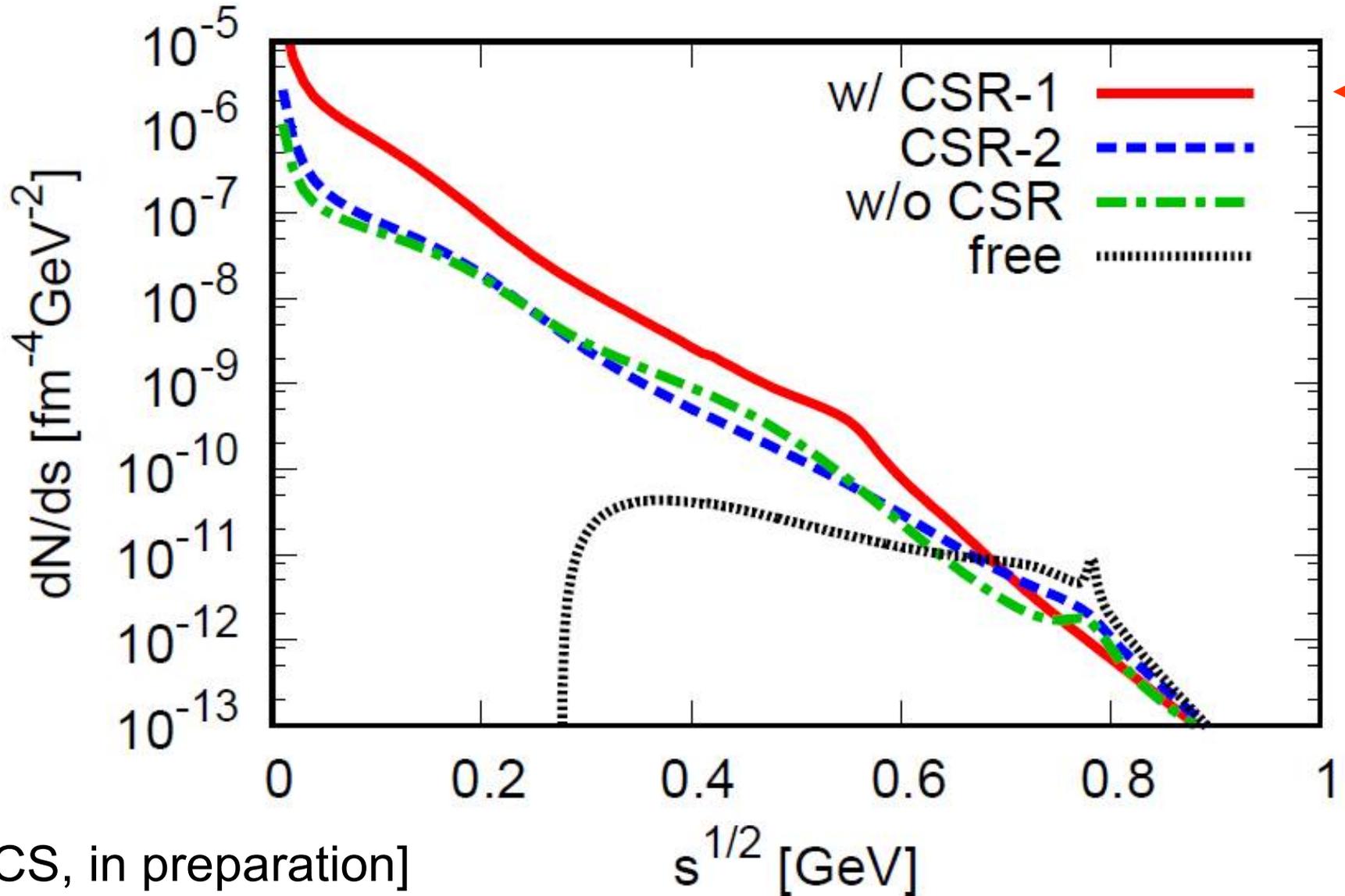
← γA reaction data

$$\Gamma_B(s; \rho) = \Gamma_B^0(s) + \Gamma_B^{med} \frac{\rho}{\rho_0}$$

[Rapp, et al. (98)]

[Kim, Lee ('21): QCDSRs, $m_{\rho} = 500-600$ MeV]

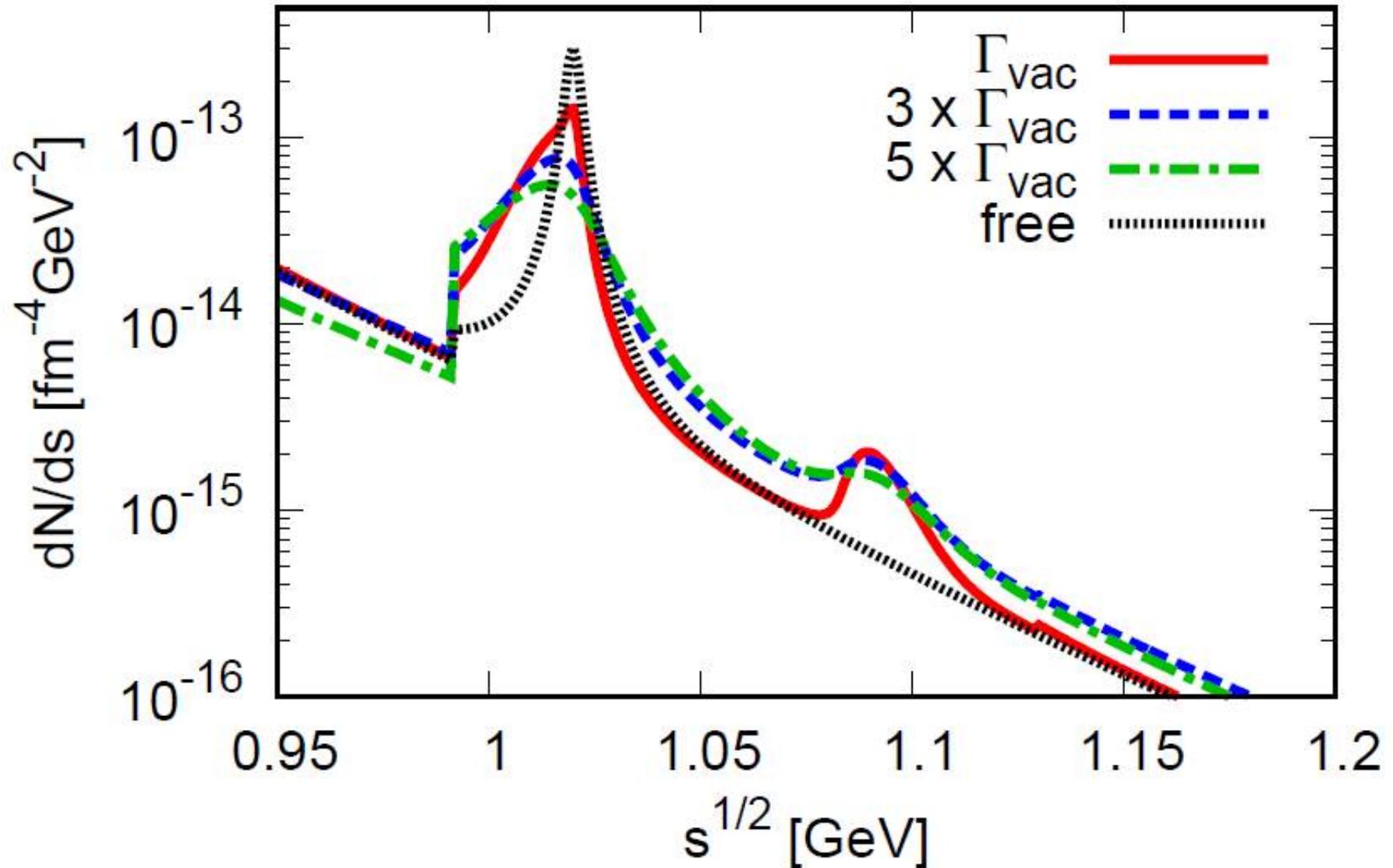
Signals diminished by p-wave states



[CS, in preparation]

[cf. SU(3) coupled-channel: Oset & Ramos (00)]

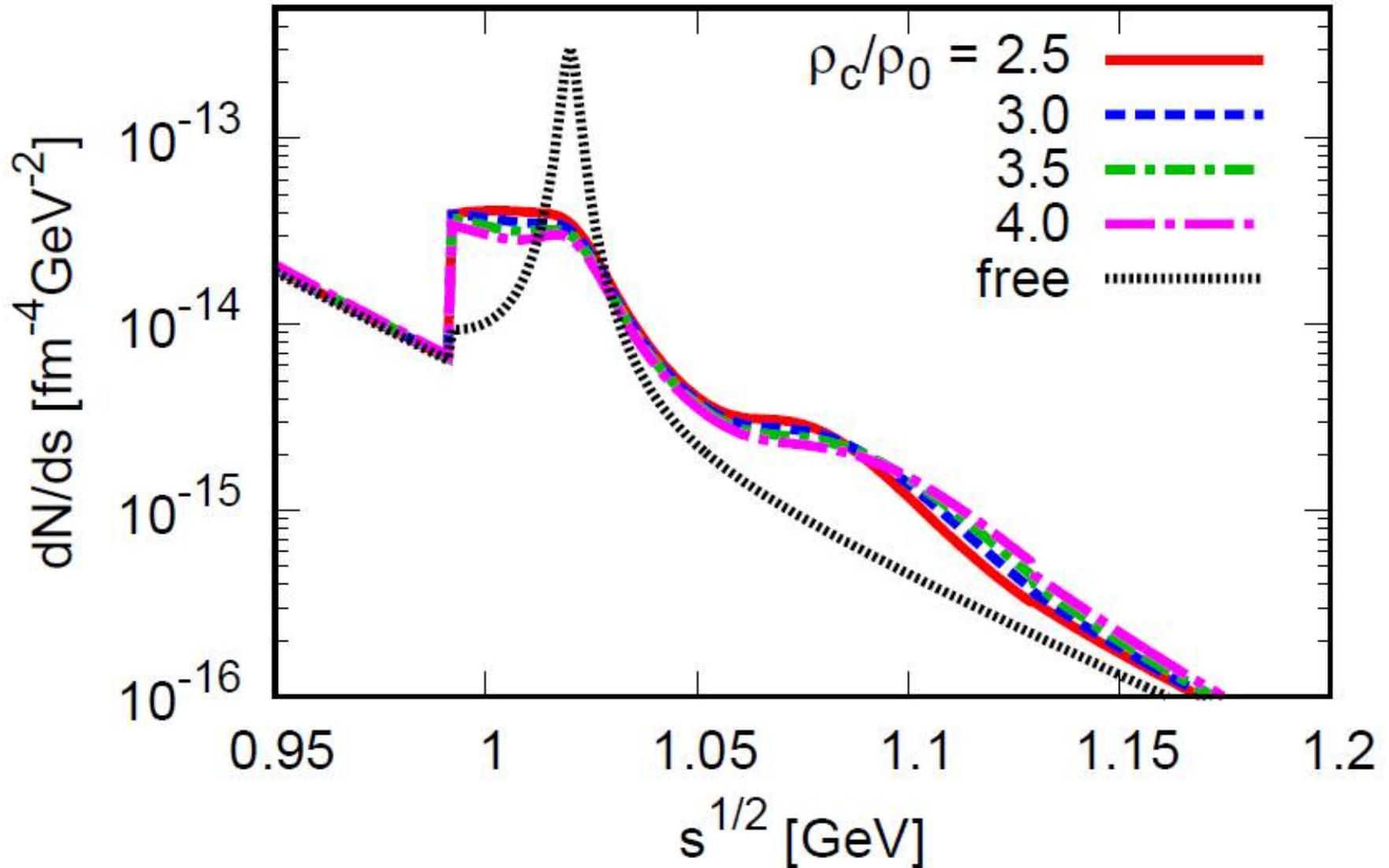
ϕ remains well-defined resonance!



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$c = 0.1 - 0.15$ GeV for $\rho_c/\rho_0 = 2.5 - 4.0$

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Summary

□ Chiral mixing in a medium

- Induced by pions → vanishes at CSR
- Induced by density → exists at any density

□ Chiral sym. restoration in cold dense matter

- Clear structural change in the dilepton rates
- Big discovery potential at FAIR/NICA/RHIC-BES
- More reliable estimate of mixing strength: lattice Q_2CD , FRG/DS
- Many-body effects near CSR in more refined approaches → widths, life time of ϕ

Backup

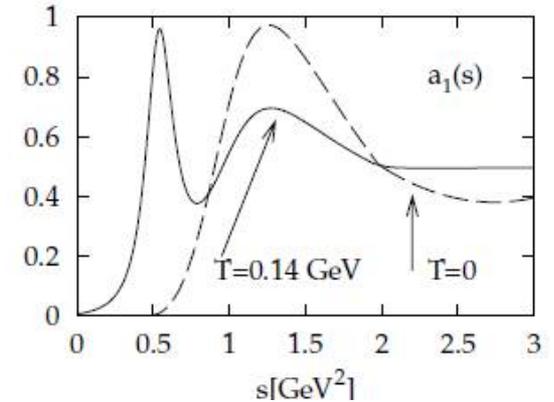
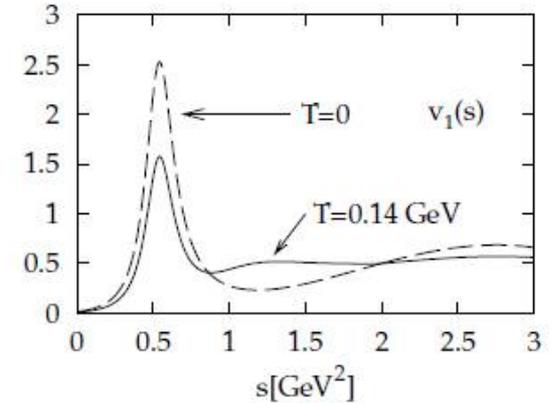
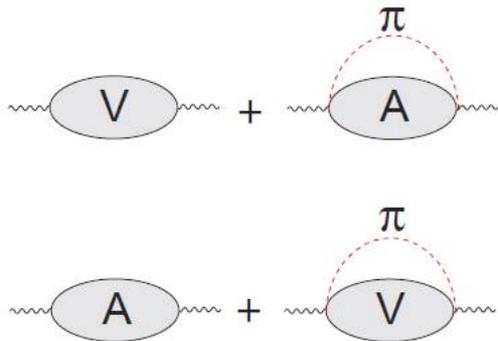
Low-energy theorem at $T \neq 0$

$$G_V^{\mu\nu}(T) = (1 - \epsilon)G_V^{\mu\nu}(0) + \epsilon G_A^{\mu\nu}(0)$$

$$G_A^{\mu\nu}(T) = (1 - \epsilon)G_A^{\mu\nu}(0) + \epsilon G_V^{\mu\nu}(0)$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{T^2}{6F_\pi^2} \quad [\text{Dey, Eletsky and Ioffe (90)}]$$

[finite ρ : Krippa (98)]



□ $\epsilon \rightarrow 1/2$: chiral restoration? NO!

□ Higher T : reducing $\pi \rho a_1$ int.: $2 \rightarrow 1$ bump

Chiral mixing ≈ 0.06 mpi at T_c [Harada, CS, Weise (08)]

Vector-current correlator

$$G_V^{\mu\nu}(p_0, \vec{p}) = P_L^{\mu\nu} G_V^L(p_0, \vec{p}) + P_T^{\mu\nu} G_V^T(p_0, \vec{p}),$$

$$G_V^L = \left(\frac{g_\rho}{m_\rho} \right)^2 \frac{-s}{D_V}, \quad G_V^T = \left(\frac{g_\rho}{m_\rho} \right)^2 \frac{-sD_A + 4C^2\vec{p}^2}{D_V D_A - 4C^2\vec{p}^2},$$

$$D_{V,A} = s - m_{\rho,a_1}^2 + im_{\rho,a_1} \Gamma_{\rho,a_1}(s),$$

$$G_V = \frac{1}{3} [G_V^L + 2G_V^T]$$

[Sakai and Sugimoto (2005)]

VDM from holography

□ Infinite tower of vector mesons

$$F(q^2) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{g_{\rho_n} \cdot g_{\rho_n \pi \pi}}{m_{\rho_n}^2 - q^2} \xrightarrow{q^2 \rightarrow 0} 1$$

□ Approximately saturated by the lowest 4

n	0	1	2
PDG	776	1465	1720
SS	776	1607	2435

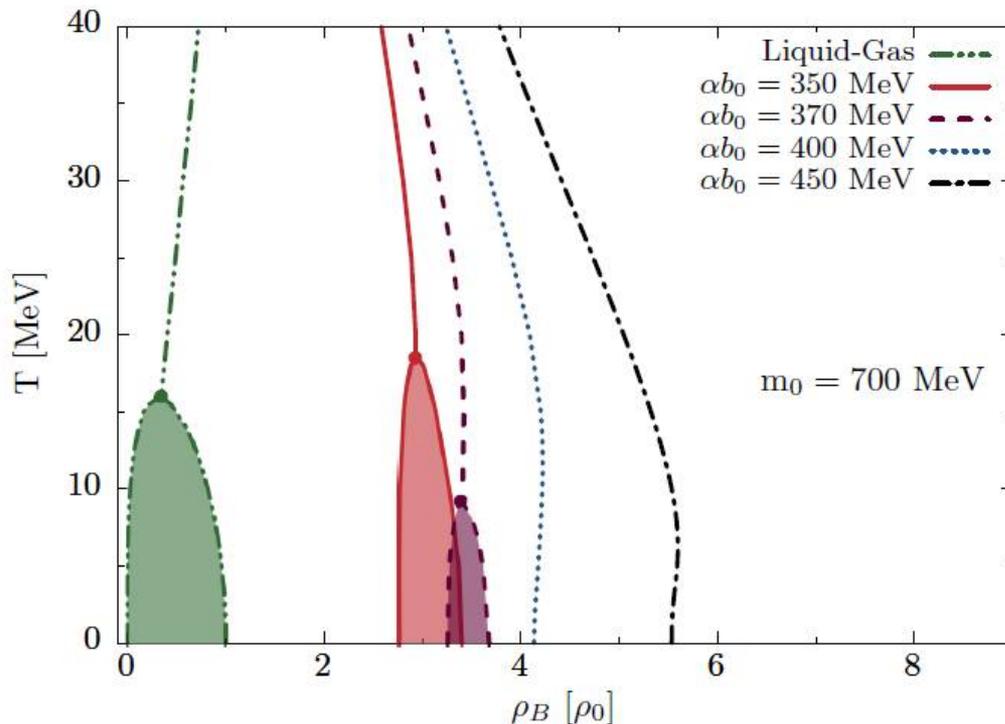
$$F(0) = 1.31 - 0.35 + 0.05 - 0.01 = 1.00$$

Set-up: rho/omega

□ Mass difference = order parameter

- Chiral restoration $\rightarrow \langle \sigma \rangle$
 - Density effect $\rightarrow \langle \omega_0 \rangle$
- } Chiral MF models

□ Nucleon parity-doublet model [Zschesche et al.]

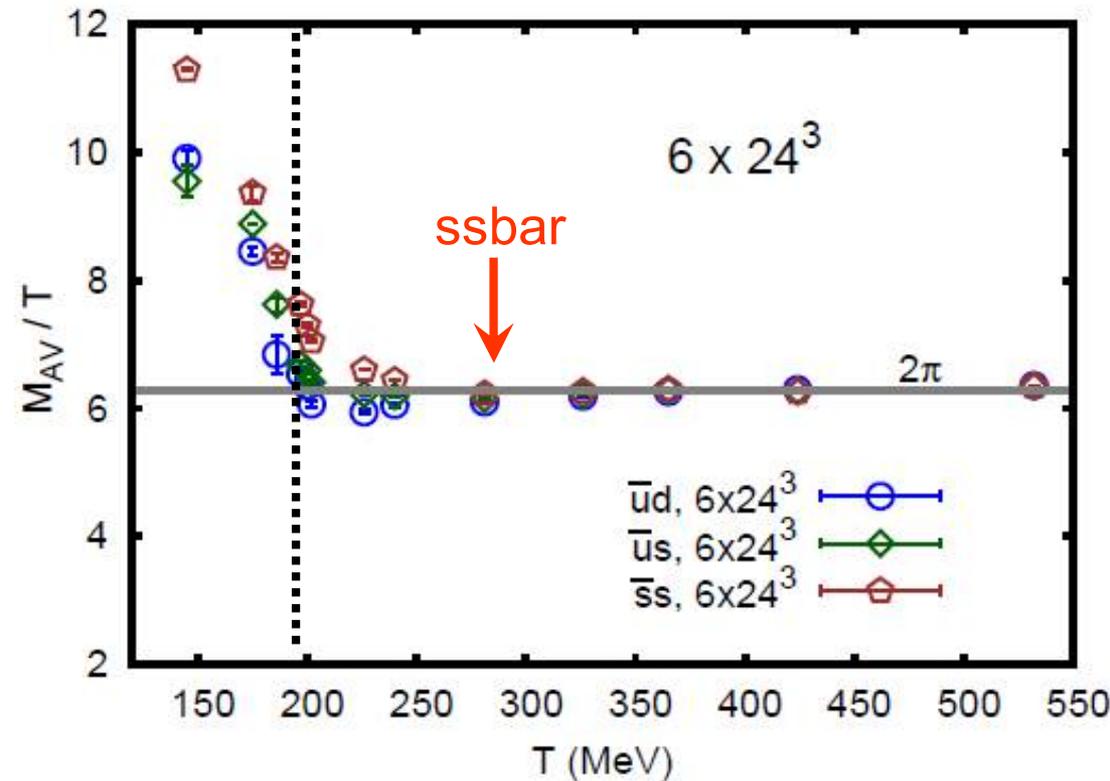


- ✓ Nuclear ground state
 - ✓ Extended with deconf to quark matter, constrained by NS [Marczenko et al. (2019)]
- **Masses & mixing**

Set-up: phi

□ Masses of Φ meson and $f_1(1420)$?

- Screening mass in LQCD: modification sets in at T_c



$$\delta m(q) \approx 0.26 \text{ at } \mu c$$

Assumptions:

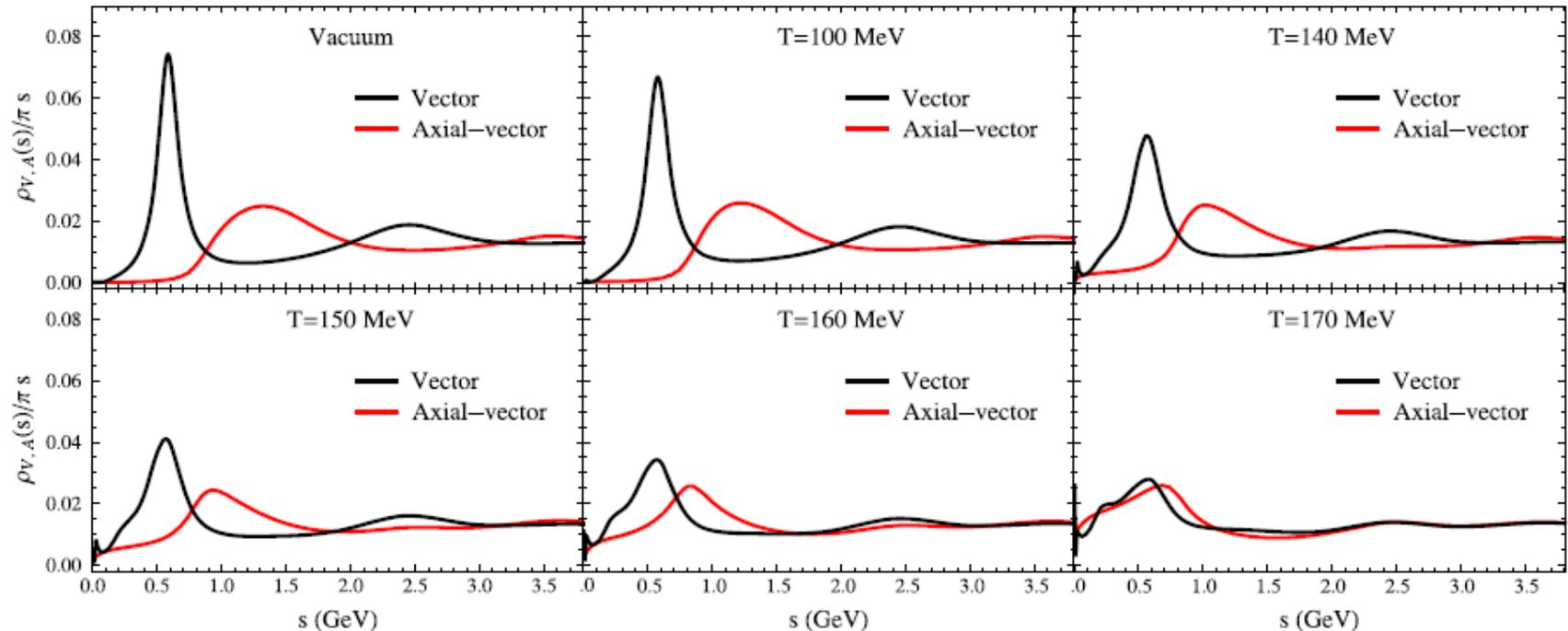
➤ $\delta m(s) \approx 0.26$

at $1.2 \mu c$

➤ Constant mass
of vector states

[Cheng et al., ('11)]

From low T to high T



□ Weinberg SRs [Weinberg ('67); Kapusta, Shuryak ('94)]

□ Vector SF & ansatz for a_1 mass and width

✓ Reduction of a_1 mass, width broadening

✓ Role of higher-lying states: ρ' , a_1' , ...