

QCD phase diagram from a 5-D holographic hardwall model.

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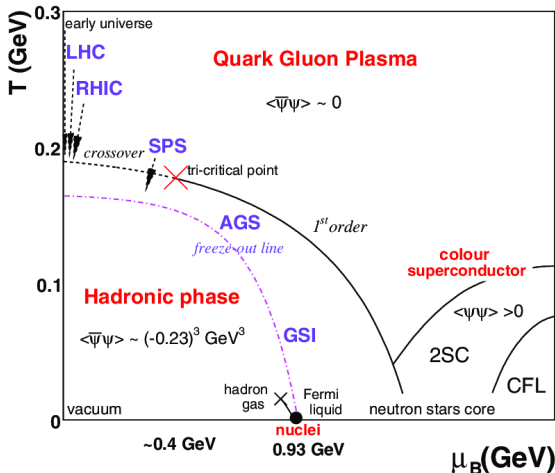
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QCD Phase Diagram

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Presentation Outline

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Introduction

$$Z_{\text{QCD}} = \int \mathcal{D}[A_\mu, \psi, \bar{\psi}] e^{-\int^\beta dt \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\mu\nu}^a + \bar{\psi}_{i,\alpha}^a (\not{D} + \gamma^0 \mu_B - m) \psi_{i,\alpha}^a \right]}$$

Properties of QCD:

Confinement, Asymptotic freedom, Axial Anomaly, Chiral symmetry breaking, Color Superconductivity

Methods:

- 1 Lattice QCD: Suitable for vanishing densities.
- 2 EFTs: Valid at low densities and low temperatures.
- 3 Holographic QCD Approaches
 - **Top-down Models:** String theory (e.g., D3/D7, D4/D8).
 - **Bottom-up Models:** Phenomenological, e.g., Hardwall, Softwall, VQCD.

Holographic Hardwall Model

$$S_0 = \frac{N_c^2}{8\pi^2 L^3} \int^{z_0} d^5x \sqrt{g} (R - 2\Lambda) - \frac{\theta N_f N_c}{24\pi^2 L} \int^{z_0} d^5x \sqrt{g} \frac{F^2}{4} + S_{bdry}$$

$$S_{bdry} = -\frac{N_c^2}{4\pi^2 L^3} \int d^4x \sqrt{\gamma} \left(\Theta - \frac{3}{L} \right) \Big|_{z=\epsilon}$$

with N_f , N_c , and L are the number of flavors, colors and AdS radius, respectively.

Normalization parameter θ : **Dilaton coupling, Compactification of Dp-brane**

Solutions and Phases

The diagonal metric ansatz:

$$ds^2 = -\frac{g(z)}{h(z)}L^2 dt^2 + \frac{L^2}{z^2}d\vec{x}^2 + \frac{L^2}{g(z)}dz^2$$

and the gauge field ansatz $A_0 = \phi(z)$.

Four boundary conditions: g , h , ϕ and ϕ' .

There are three possible geometries:

- 1 **Thermal AdS:** zero density, confined phase.
- 2 **Charged Black Hole:** finite density, deconfined phase.
- 3 **Charged AdS:** finite density, confined phase. B. H. Lee, C. Park, S. J. Sin : 2009

Charged AdS

The charged AdS is a **horizonless geometry** in the bulk that represents a finite-density confined phase of the boundary theory.

$$g = z^2 \left(1 - cz^4 + \frac{(2\pi)^4}{\theta N_f N_c} \rho_B^2 z^6 \right); \quad h = z^4; \quad \phi = \mu - \frac{12\pi^2}{\theta N_f} \rho_B z^2;$$

The pressure

$$p = \frac{N_c^2}{8\pi^2} \left(\frac{z_0^2 + g(z_0)}{z_0^6} + \frac{(2\pi)^4 z_0^2}{\theta N_f N_c} \rho_B^2 \right)$$

$$g(z_0) = \bar{g}_0 + \frac{\tilde{g}_0(\mu, T)}{N_c}$$

$$\rho\text{-meson mass: } \implies \bar{g}_0 \simeq 6.$$

Physically motivated boundary condition

Sources are behind the cutoff:

1 **Gauss' Law:** ρ_B

2 **Path Integral:** $p = p_B = \frac{N_c}{8\pi^2} \left(\frac{\tilde{g}_0(\mu, T)}{z_0^6} + \frac{2\pi^2 z_0^2}{\theta N_f} \rho_B^2 \right)$

QCD Phenomenology

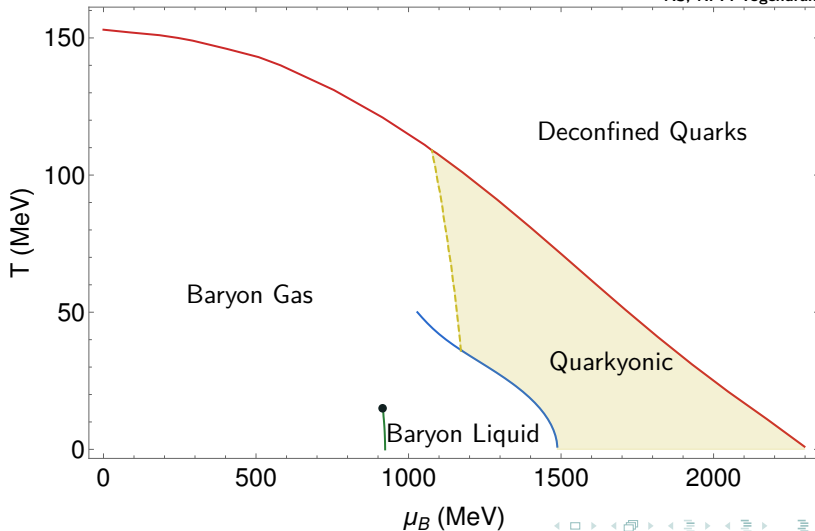
- **Nambu–Jona-Lasinio:** Temperature and chemical potential dependent constituent quark mass.
- **Van der Waals:** Isospin-symmetric nuclear matter (in-medium ChPT).

M. Asakawa, K. Yazaki: 1989

S. Fiorilla, N. Kaiser, and W. Weise: 2012

Phase Diagram for $\theta \sim 10$

AS, K. P. Yogendran: 2024



Condensates in holographic model

A complex scalar field ψ breaks $U(1)_B$ symmetry spontaneously.

Gubser:2008

$$S = S_0 - \int d^5x \sqrt{g} (|D\psi|^2 + m^2|\psi|^2) - \int d^4x \sqrt{\gamma} \frac{d - \Delta}{2L} |\psi|^2$$

- Scaling dimension:
- Charge:
- Asymptotic analysis:

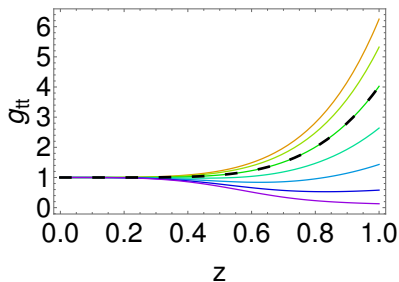
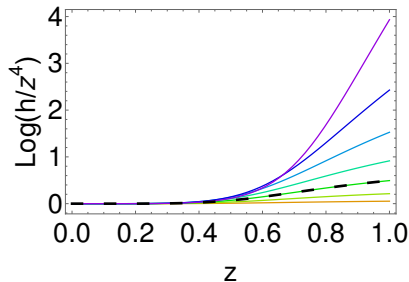
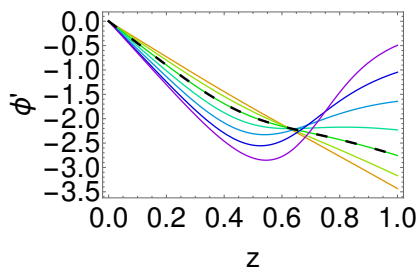
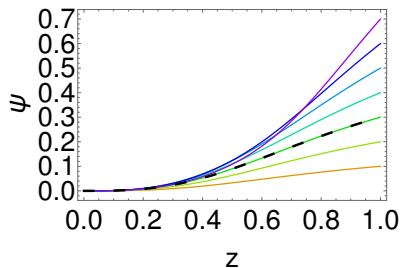
$$m^2 L^2 = \Delta(\Delta - d)$$

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - i q A_\mu$$

$$\psi \sim \psi_+ z^{\Delta_+} + \psi_- z^{\Delta_-} + \dots$$

Condensate Solutions:

- 1 Charged black hole: Regularity condition at the horizon.
- 2 Charged AdS: IR boundary condition?



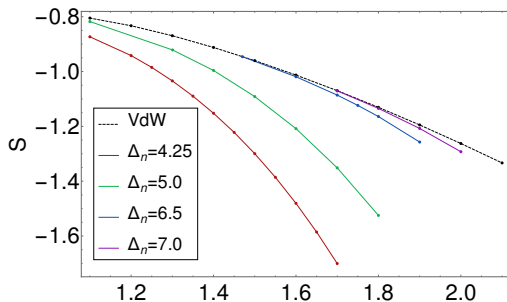
Which condensate?

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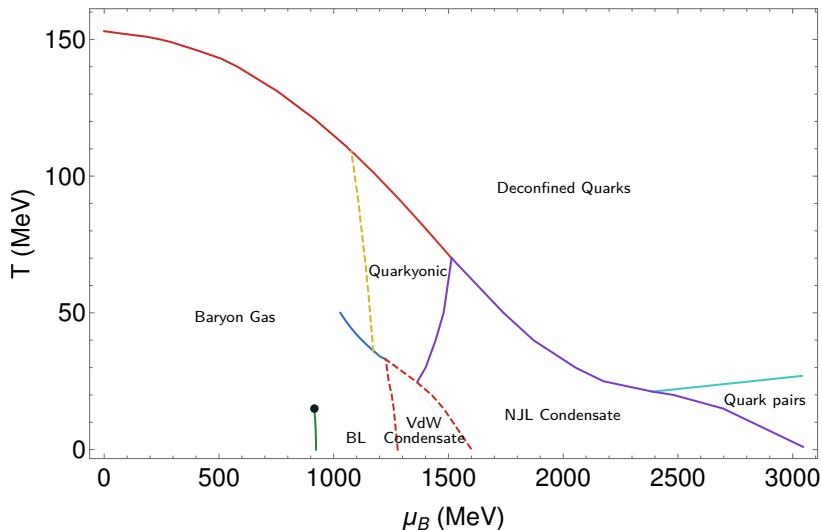
- 1 Charge of the Operator $q = 2$
- 2 Scaling dimension $\Delta = 3$

VdW

- 1 Charge of the Operator $q = 2N_c$
- 2 Scaling dimension $\Delta = 3N_c?$



A Phase Diagram



Conclusions and Discussion

- **5-D Hardwall Model:**

- 1 Effective in capturing low-density confined phases.
- 2 Allows for baryonic condensates with different charges and scaling dimensions

- **Future Directions:**

- 1 Incorporate Isospin.
- 2 Compact star structure.
- 3 Baryons in deep IR.
- 4 Top down completion

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