

Finite-Density Massless Two-Color QCD at Isospin Roberge-Weiss Point and 't Hooft Anomaly

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Classic: Chiral symmetry ($T=0$)

Recent: **Discrete & higher-form** symmetries ($T \geq 0$)

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Fund. matters (including 2cQCD) break the center.

⇒ Twisted b.c. of matter fields

e.g., Zn QCD, QCD w/ imaginary μ @ RW pt., ...

Shimizu, Yonekura (2018), Tanizaki, Kikuchi, Misumi, Sakai (2018), Yonekura (2019), ...

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In the following, we study

✓ **symmetries and anomaly** in this model

✓ **anomaly constraint** on finite (T, μ) phase diagram

✓ Similarity to **quantum magnets**

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Absorbed into B.C.

$$u(\tau + \beta) = - e^{i\theta_I} u(\tau), \quad d(\tau + \beta) = - e^{-i\theta_I} d(\tau),$$

Field redefinition:

$$u(\tau) \rightarrow e^{i\theta_I\tau/\beta} u(\tau) \quad d(\tau) \rightarrow e^{-i\theta_I\tau/\beta} d(\tau)$$

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$\Rightarrow \theta_I$ is periodic.

$$\theta_I \sim \theta_I + \pi$$

SU(2) gauge invariance

$$u(x) \sim -u(x), \quad d(x) \sim -d(x),$$

Isospin Roberge-Weiss Point

$\theta_I = \pi/2$ is special (isospin RW point).

The boundary condition is invariant under $u(x) \leftrightarrow d(x)$ up to SU(2) gauge transformation.

$$\theta_I = \pi/2 \rightarrow -\pi/2 \sim \pi/2 \quad \left(\theta_I \sim \theta_I + \pi \right)$$

Emergent symmetry $[(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{center}}]$ at the isospin RW point

$$u(x) \leftrightarrow d(x)$$

Gauging flavor symmetry

To find anomaly, let's gauge flavor subgroup

at T , μ , & $\theta_I = \pi/2$:

[See our paper for complete discussion.]

$$U(1)_B \times U(1)_{L,3} \subset G_{\mu, \theta_I}$$

$U(1)_B$: U(1) baryon symmetry

$U(1)_{L,3}$: left-handed isospin U(1) symmetry

$$u_L \rightarrow e^{i\lambda_3/2} u_L, \quad d_L \rightarrow e^{-i\lambda_3/2} d_L,$$

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A_B & $A_{L,3}$ are τ -independent & have only spatial components.

't Hooft anomaly at isospin RW point

A_B & $A_{L,3}$ violate $(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{center}}$ symmetry:

$$\underline{Z_{\text{QC}_2\text{D}}[A_B, A_{L,3}]} = \underline{Z_{\text{QC}_2\text{D}}^{\text{Sym.}}[A_B, A_{L,3}]} \leftarrow [(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{center}} \text{ is explicit.}]$$

μ_I in action



μ_I in boundary condition

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Redefinition generates
additional phase!

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$(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{center}}$ w/ background gauge fields:

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Mixed 't Hooft anomaly btw. $(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{center}} \times U(1)_B \times U(1)_{L,3}$

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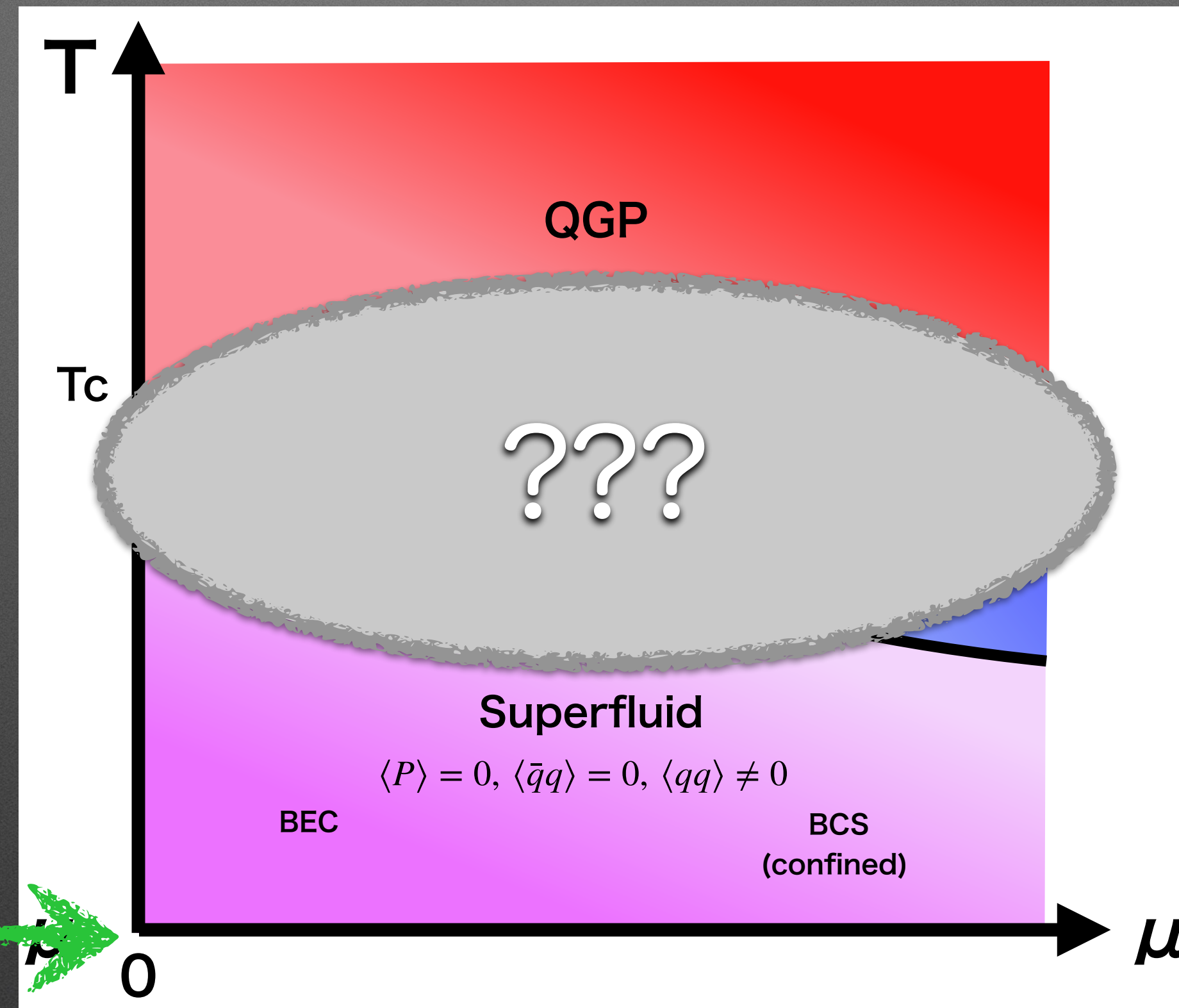
One of $(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{center}} \times U(1)_B \times U(1)_{L,3}$ must be broken:

$(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{center}}$: Quark gluon plasma

$U(1)_B$: Baryon superfluidity

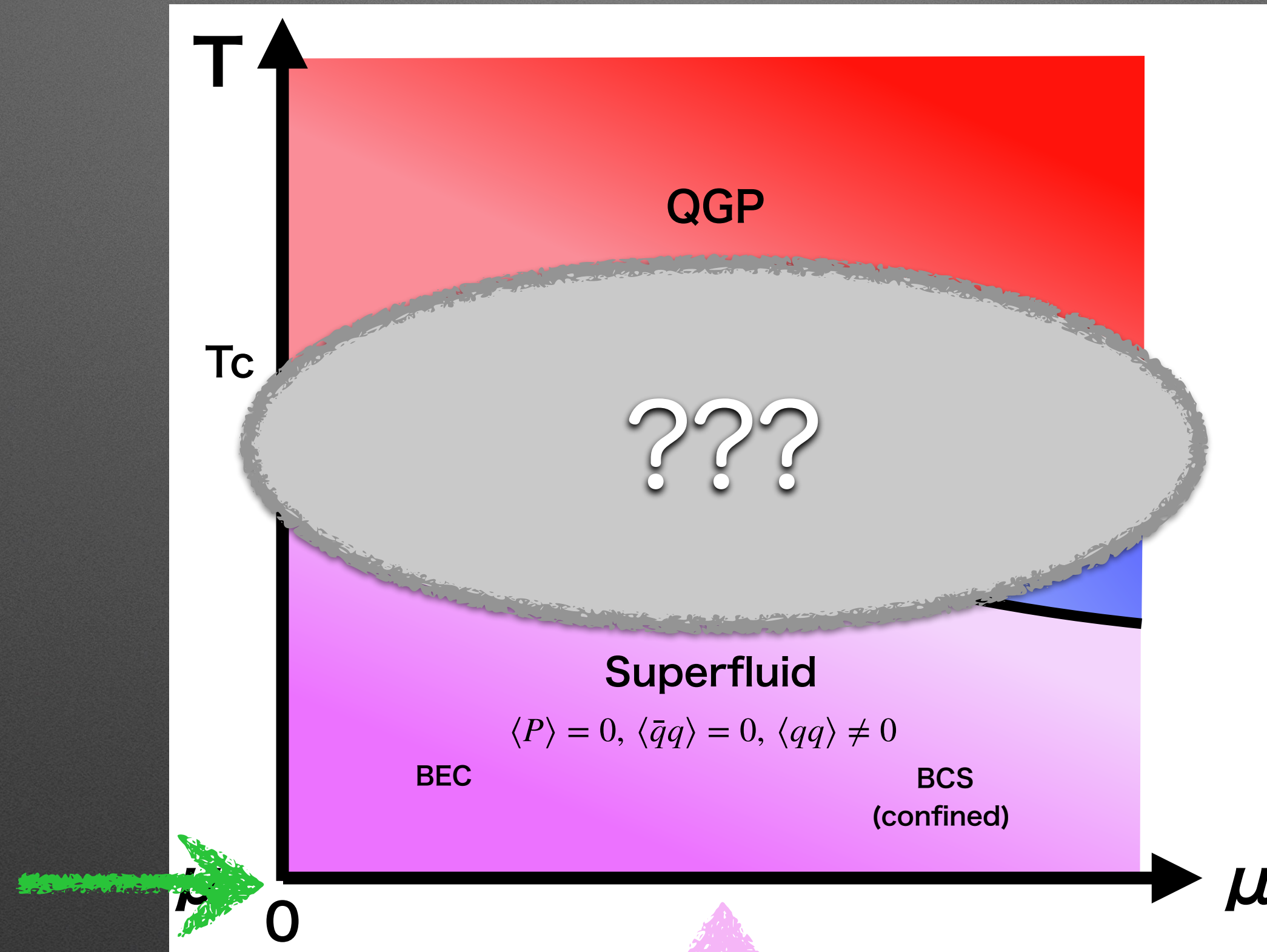
$U(1)_{L,3}$: Chiral symmetry breaking

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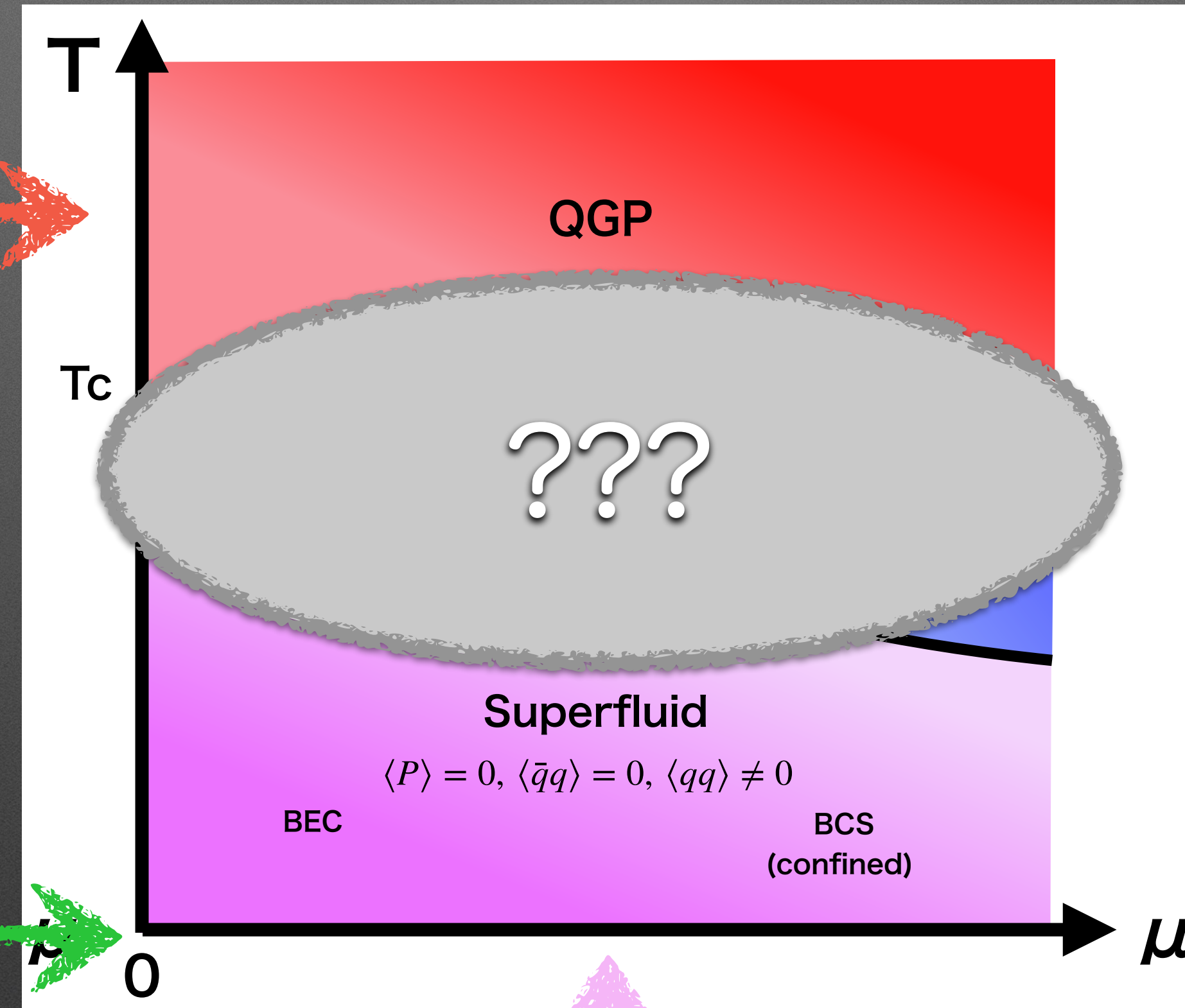
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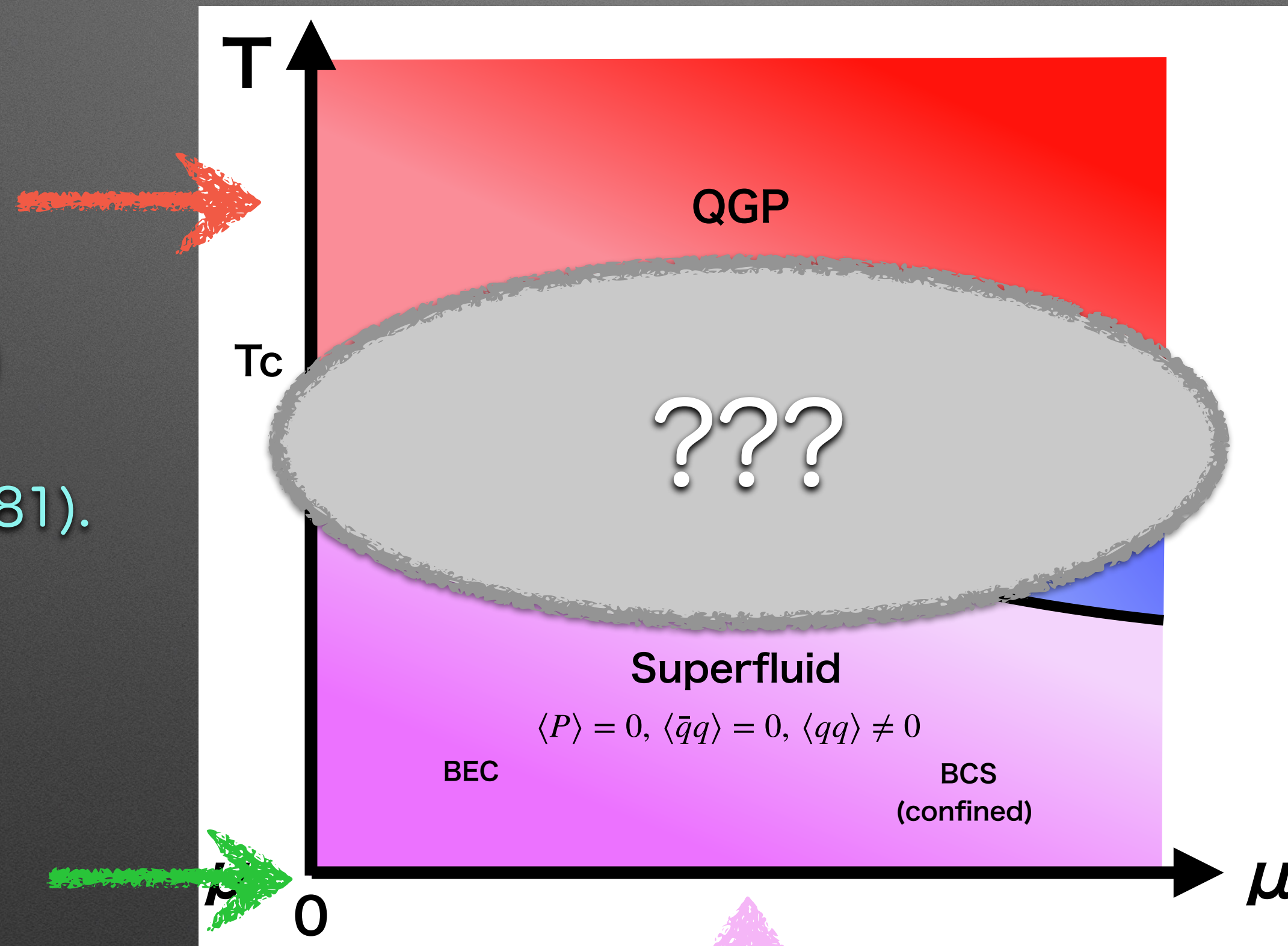
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Furusawa, Tanizaki, Ito (2020)

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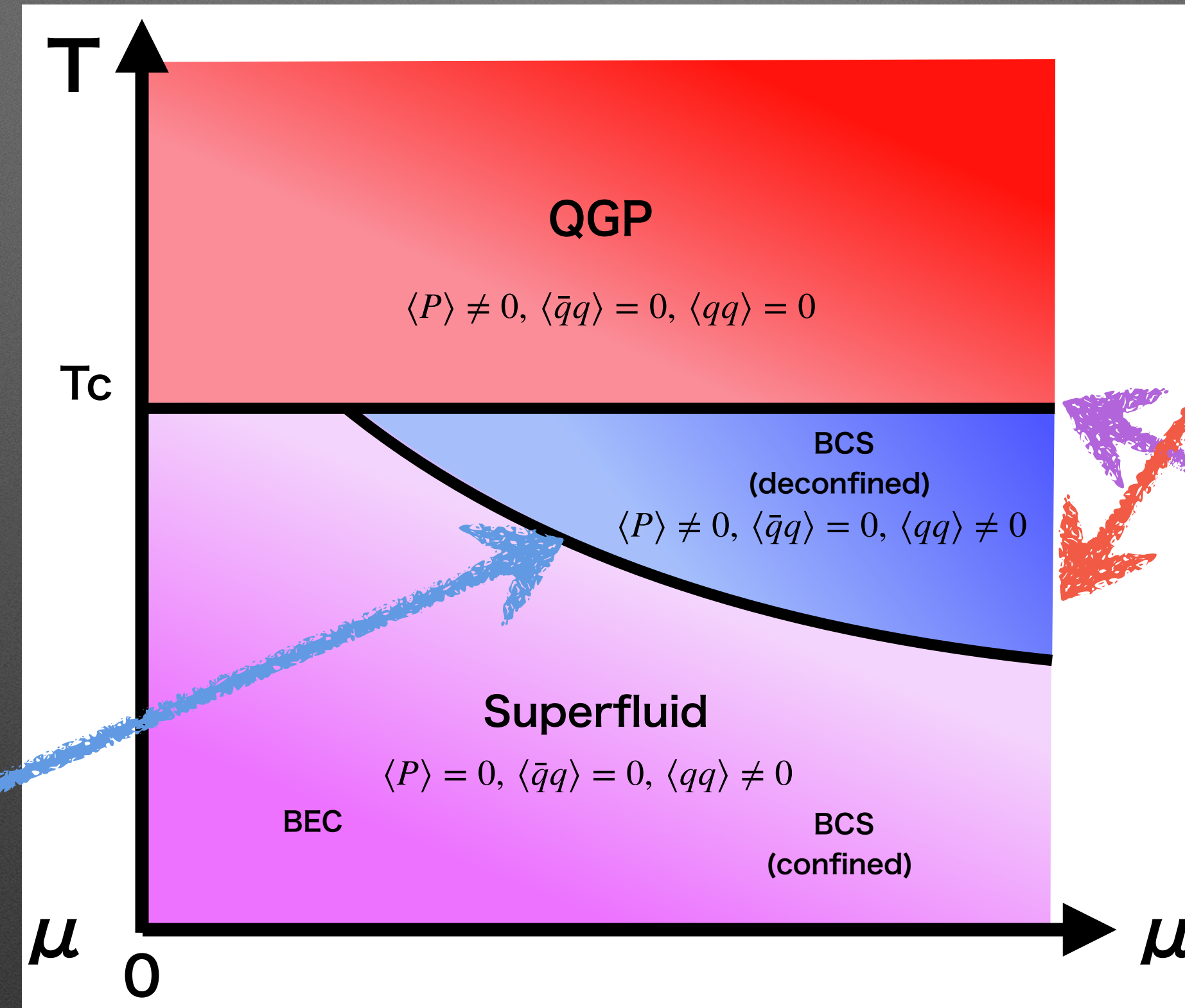
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$$T_{\text{QGP}} = T_{\text{BSF}} \rightarrow$$

Coexisting phase
is allowed.

cf. Iida, Ito, Lee, (2020)



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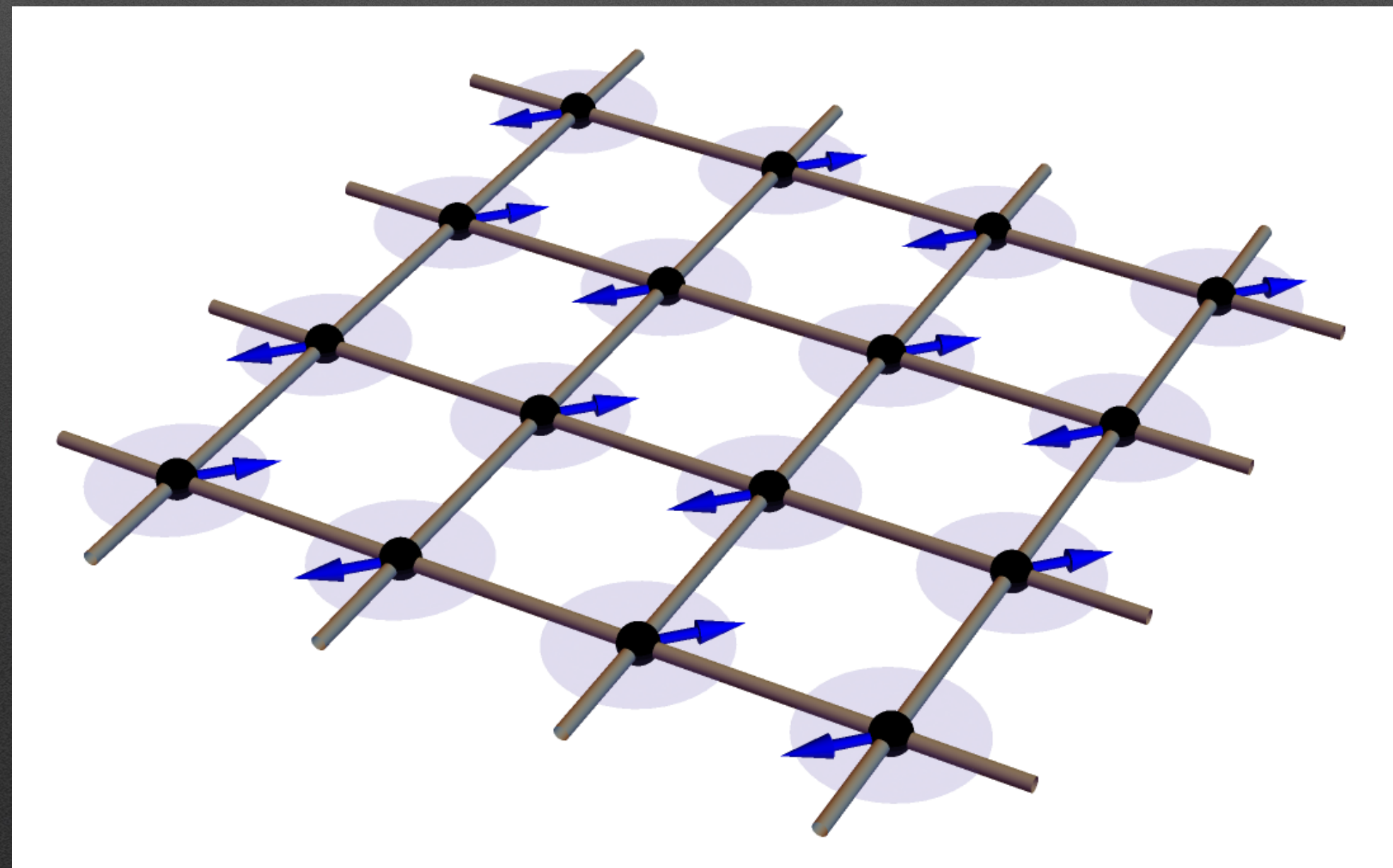
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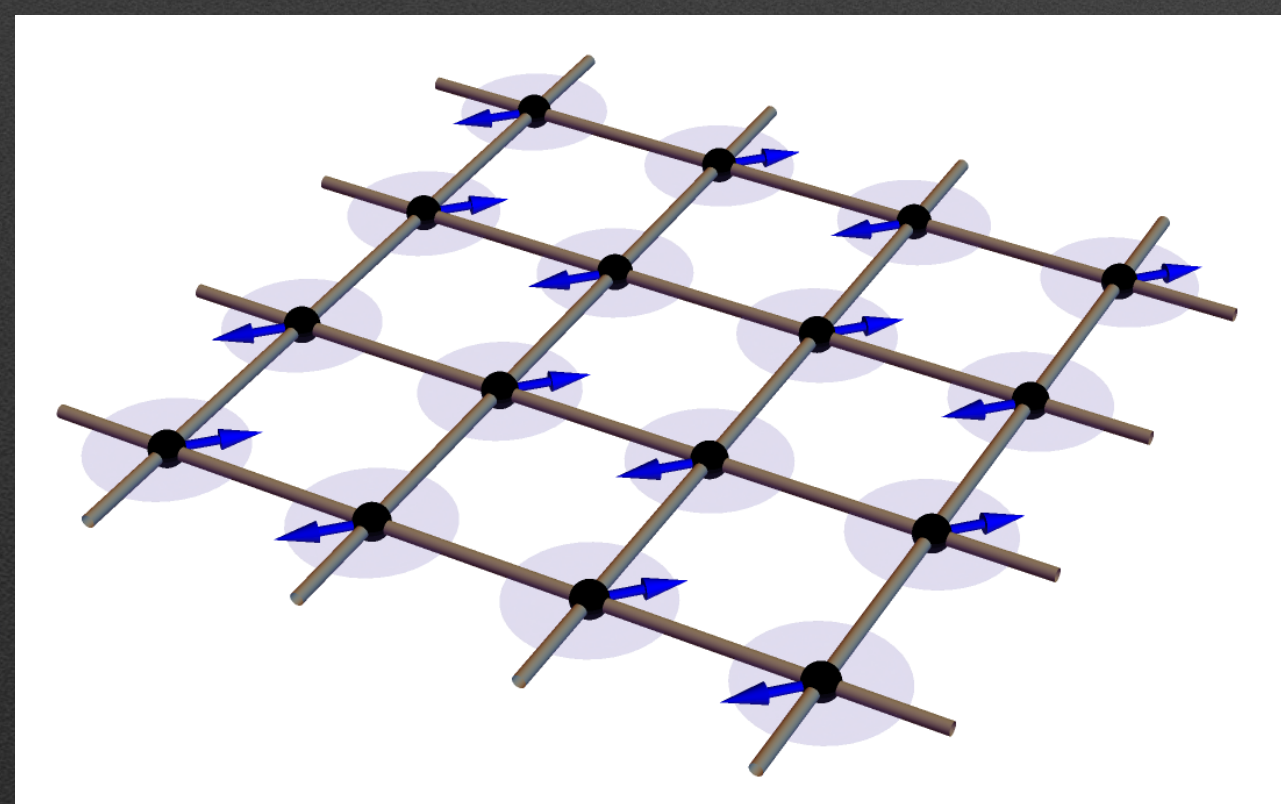
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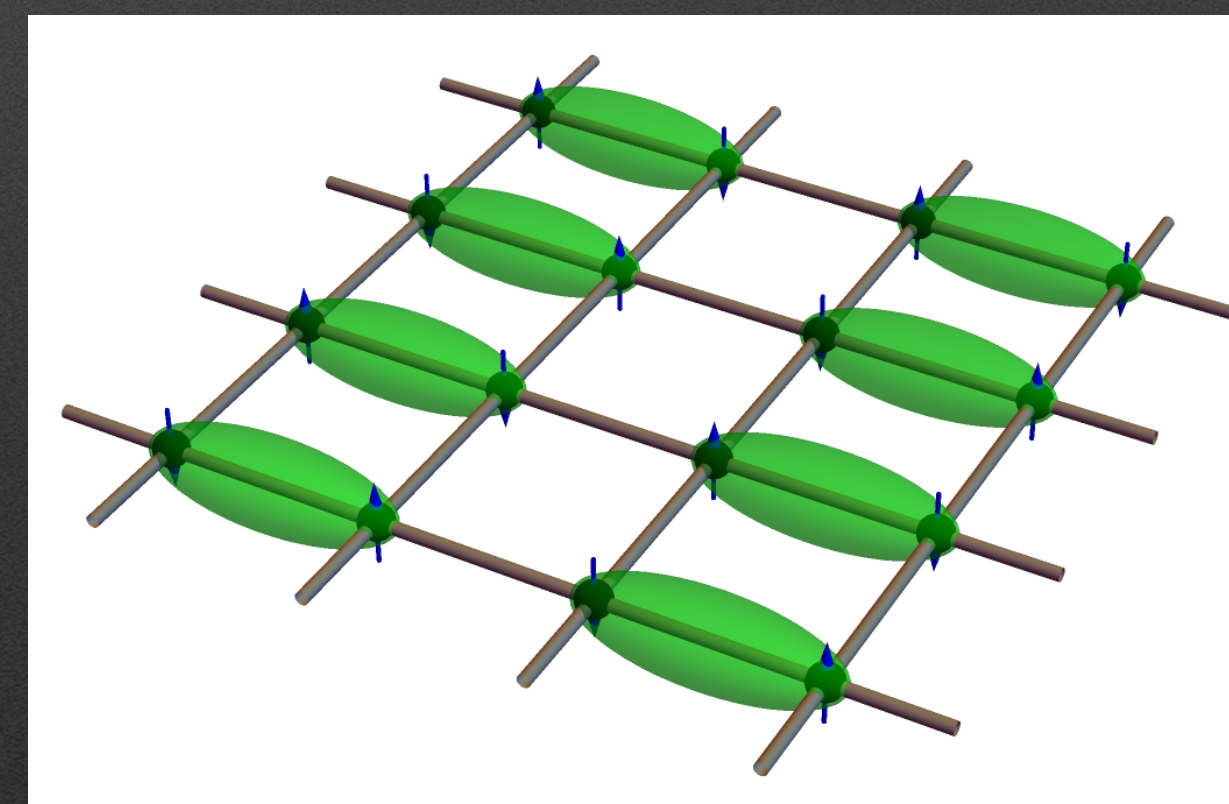
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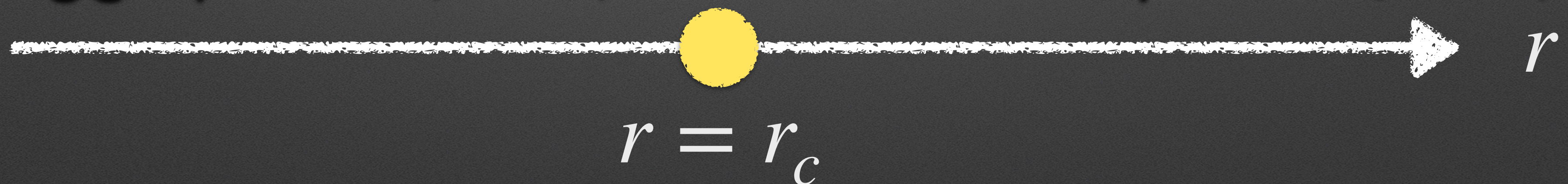
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Example of **unconventional QCP** beyond LG theory.

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Flip S_z

Rotate S_x & S_y

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✓ $(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{spin}} \times SO(2)_{\text{spin}} \times U(1)_{\text{magnetic}}$ has a mixed **anomaly**.

The same anomaly structure with $(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{center}} \times U(1)_B \times U(1)_{L,3}$

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Novel QCP in 2cQCD at isospin RW point?

Symmetry enhancement at $\lambda_{EP} = 0$ & $r = r_c$:

$$SO(3)_{\text{spin}} \times U(1)_{\text{magnetic}} \rightarrow SO(5)$$

Wang, Nahum, Metlitski, Xu, Senthil (2017)

\Rightarrow **SO(5) symmetry in 2cQCD?**

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, (2019).

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2 color QCD with imaginary isospin chemical potential.

- $(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{center}}$ symmetry at **isospin RW point**
- $(\mathbb{Z}_2)_{\text{center}} \rtimes U(1)_B \times U(1)_{L,3}$ **anomaly** at finite T & μ

Nonperturbative constraint from anomaly matching

- **Finite- T & $-\mu$ phase diagram** $T_{\text{QGP}} \leq T_{\text{ChSB}}$ or T_{BSF}

- The same anomaly as 2+1D antiferromagnets

\Rightarrow **Unconventional quantum critical point** at finite T ?

[See our paper for details. PRResearch 2, 033253 (2020)]

Sign problem free \Rightarrow **testable by lattice simulation!**