

# Thermal modifications of meson states in lattice QCD and relations to heavy ion collisions

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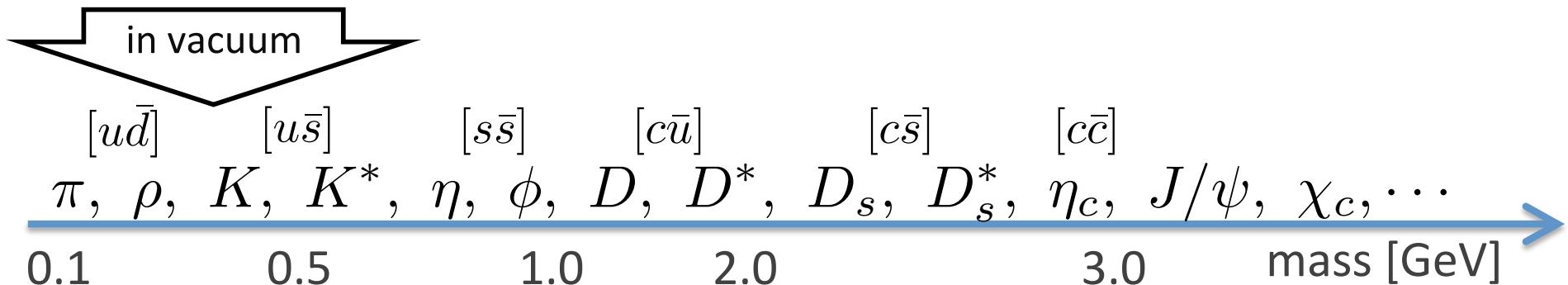
## Lattice simulations

- Modification of spectral function
  - appears all mesons below  $T_C$ ,
  - but charmonium stable beyond  $T_C$
- Universal mass shift of screening masses

## Summary & Discussions

# Variety of mesons

up/down:  $m_{ud} \sim 3\text{--}5 \text{ MeV}$ , strange:  $m_s \sim 95 \text{ MeV}$ , charm:  $m_c \sim 1.2 \text{ GeV}$ ...



**In medium:** modified due to thermal fluctuations

significant when: (thermal wavelength  $\lambda$ )  $>$  (size  $1/m$ )

Modification pattern: Good probes of QCD matter

- Light mesons: sensitive to chiral properties

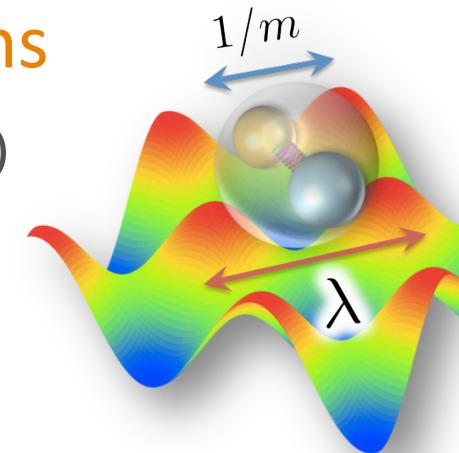
scaling law Brown and Rho (1991)

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle^*}{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle}} \approx \frac{f_\pi^*}{f_\pi} \approx \frac{m_\rho^*}{m_\rho} \quad \rightarrow \text{mass shift? and restoration?}$$

- Quarkonium: Sequential dissolution pattern

$J/\psi$  suppression Matsui and Satz (1986)

$\rightarrow$  charmonium stable in quark-gluon plasma?



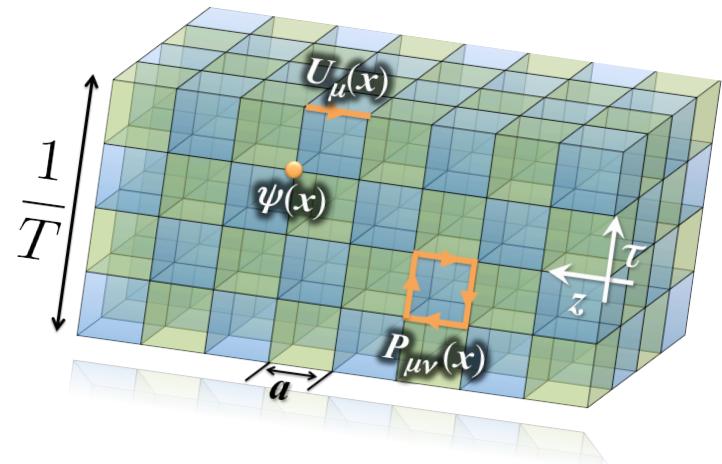
# Lattice QCD simulations

**QCD**: Strong non-linearity and infinite-dimensional integral

→ Field theory on lattice  
in Euclidean space

→ Monte-Carlo simulations  
based on importance sampling

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle &= \frac{1}{Z} \int D\bar{q} Dq DA \mathcal{O}(\bar{q}, q, A) e^{-S_{QCD}} \\ &= \frac{1}{N_{\text{conf}}} \sum_{\{U_i\}}^{N_{\text{conf}}} \mathcal{O}(U_i) \pm O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{\text{conf}}}}\right)\end{aligned}$$



Fundamental parameters:

$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}, m_{u/d}, m_s, m_c$

determined at  $T = 0$



Finite temperature:  
Theoretical prediction  
in 1st principle calculations

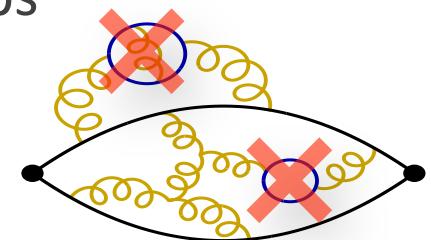
Applicable: Static & homogeneous system

(difficult: non-equilibrium, time dependent, high density...)

## Key: Full(2+1)-QCD simulations on physical point

↔ e.g.) Quenched simulations: neglect quark-loops

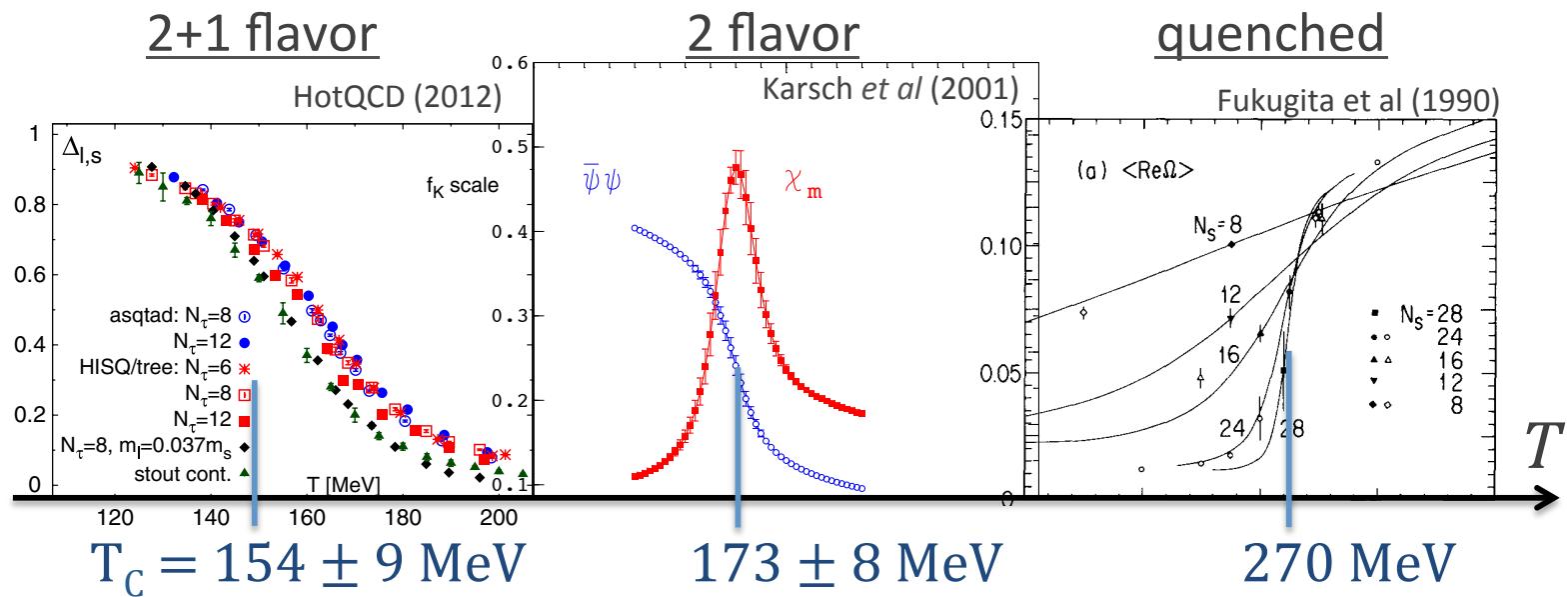
$$Z_{\text{QCD}} = \int dU \det \cancel{D}(U) e^{-S_{\text{gluon}}}$$



$T = 0$ : Reproduce physical hadron spectra within 10-20% deviations  
CP-PACS Coll. (2000)

$T > 0$ : Significant discrepancy, e.g. phase transition

Quenched: 1st order PT → Full(2+1 and 2): Crossover PT



Full-QCD simulations: indispensable for thermal properties

# Mesons on lattice

difficult at finite temperature...

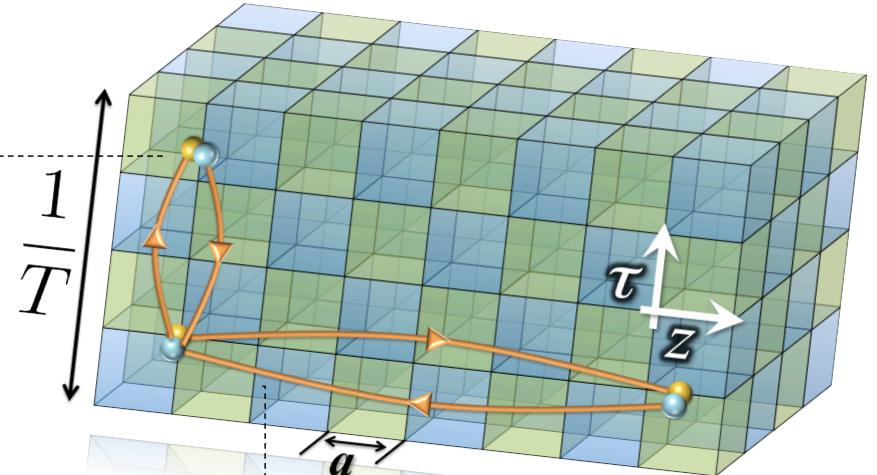
## Temporal correlation function

$$G(\tau) = \int d^3x \langle J_H^\dagger(\tau, \mathbf{x}) J_H(0, \mathbf{0}) \rangle = \underbrace{A_0 e^{-m_0 \tau}}_{\text{Ground state: dominant at large } \tau} + \underbrace{A_1 e^{-m_1 \tau}}_{\text{1st excited state } (m_1 > m_0)} + \dots$$

Physical limitation  $\tau < 1/T$ :  
difficult to access thermal modification

## Spatial correlation function

$$G^S(z, T) = \int_0^{1/T} d\tau \int dx dy \langle J_H(\tau, \vec{x}) J_H(0, \vec{0}) \rangle \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow \infty} A e^{-M(T)z}$$



$M(T)$ : screening mass

No limitation: more sensitive to in-medium modification

# Mesons on lattice

**Spectral function**  $\sigma(\omega, T) \in$  pole mass, width and thermal modification...

Temporal correlation function

$$G^T(\tau, T) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \frac{\cosh(\omega(\tau - 1/2T))}{\sinh(\omega/2T)} \sigma(\omega, T)$$

Reconstruction of  $\sigma$ : Maximum Entropy Method

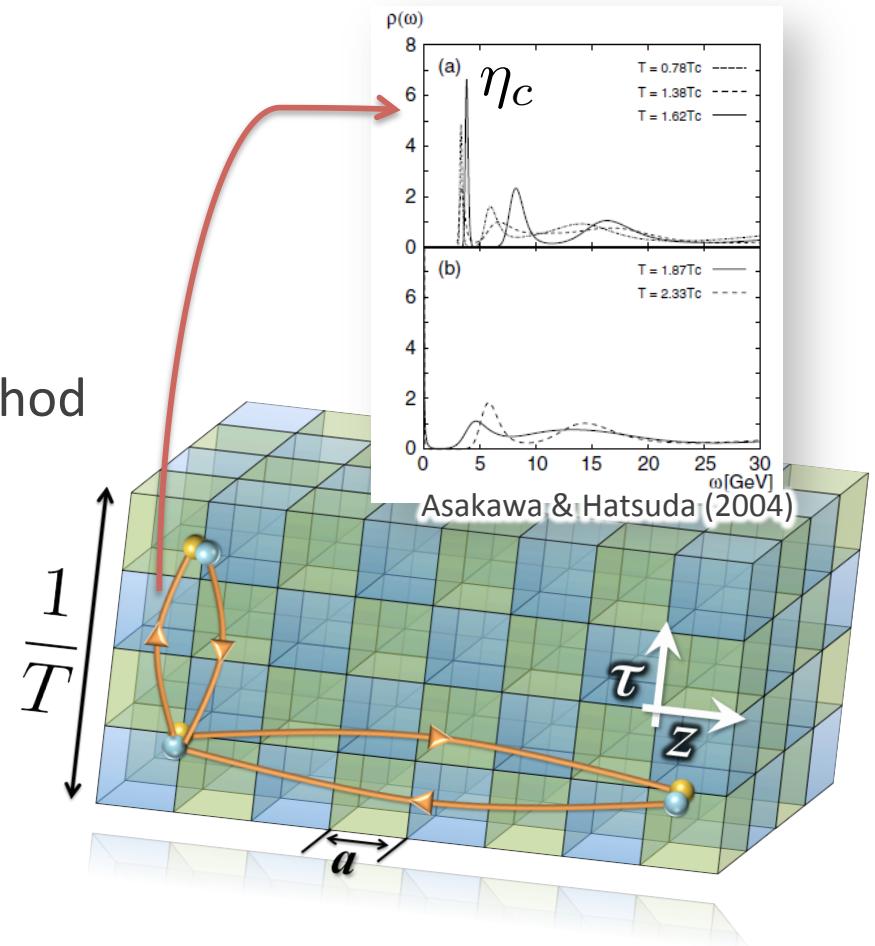
large # of time separation: necessary  
almost done in Quenched approx.

Spatial correlation function

$$G^S(z, T) = \int_0^\infty \frac{2d\omega}{\omega} \int_{-\infty}^\infty dp_z e^{ip_z z} \sigma(\omega, p_z, T)$$

No  $T$  dependence in Kernel

$G^S(z, T)/G^S(z, T=0)$  : direct probe of thermal modification of  $\sigma$   
accessible in Full-QCD simulations



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## Behavior in limiting cases:

At low  $T$ , bound state w/o thermal effect:



$$G^S(z, T)/G^S(z, T=0) = 1$$

$$M(T) \sim m_0 \text{ pole mass at } T=0$$

$$\sigma(\omega, 0, 0, p_z, T) \sim \delta(\omega^2 - p_z^2 - m_0^2)$$

At  $T \sim T_c$ , in-medium modification and/or dissolution:



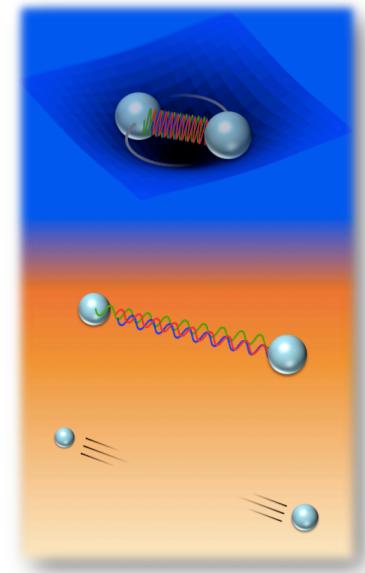
$$G^S(z, T)/G^S(z, T=0) \neq 1$$

$M(T)$ : Leading response of mass shift

$$M(T) > m_0 \text{ or } < m_0 ?$$

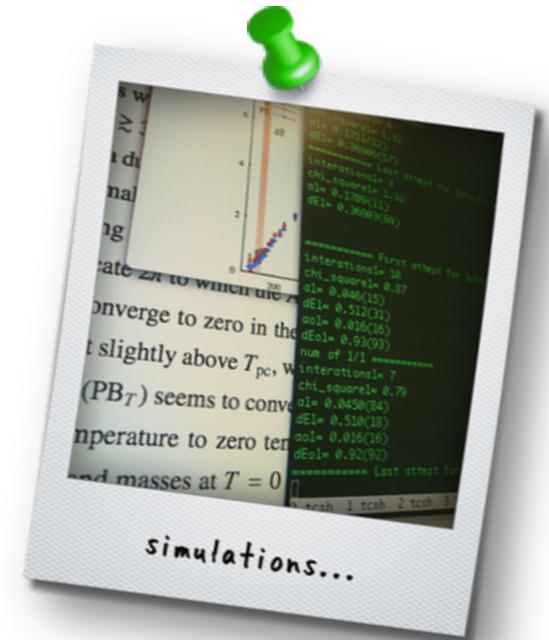
At  $T \rightarrow \infty$ , free quark-antiquark pair:  $M \rightarrow 2\sqrt{m_q^2 + (\pi T)^2}$

with the lowest Matsubara frequency



# Lattice OCD simulations

- 2+1 flavor QCD in HISQ action HotQCD '11, '14  
(charm quenched)
- $m_s$ : physical,  $m_l/m_s = 1/20$   
( $m_\pi \sim 160$  MeV,  $m_K \sim 504$  MeV)
- $N_\tau = 8, 10, 12$ : keeping  $N_s/N_\tau = 4$  → continuum limit
- $32^4 - 48^3 \times 64$  at  $T = 0$
- scale:  $f_k$  input
- calculating quark-line connected part



## Mesons

$\Gamma$	$J^P$	$u\bar{d}$	$u\bar{s}$	$u\bar{c}$	$s\bar{s}$	$s\bar{c}$	$c\bar{c}$
$\gamma_5$	$0^-$	$\pi$	$K$	$D$	$(\eta_{s\bar{s}})$	$D_s$	$\eta_c$
1	$0^+$	-	$K_0^*$	$D_0^*$	-	$D_{s0}^*$	$\chi_{c0}$
$\gamma_i$	$1^-$	$\rho$	$K^*$	$D^*$	$\phi$	$D_s^*$	$J/\psi$
$\gamma_i \gamma_5$	$1^+$	$a_1$	$K_1$	$D_1$	$f_1(1420)$	$D_{s1}$	$\chi_{c1}$

Thermal modifications

$$G^S(z, T)/G^S(z, T = 0)$$

Screening masses

$$G^S(z, T) \rightarrow A e^{-M(T)z}$$

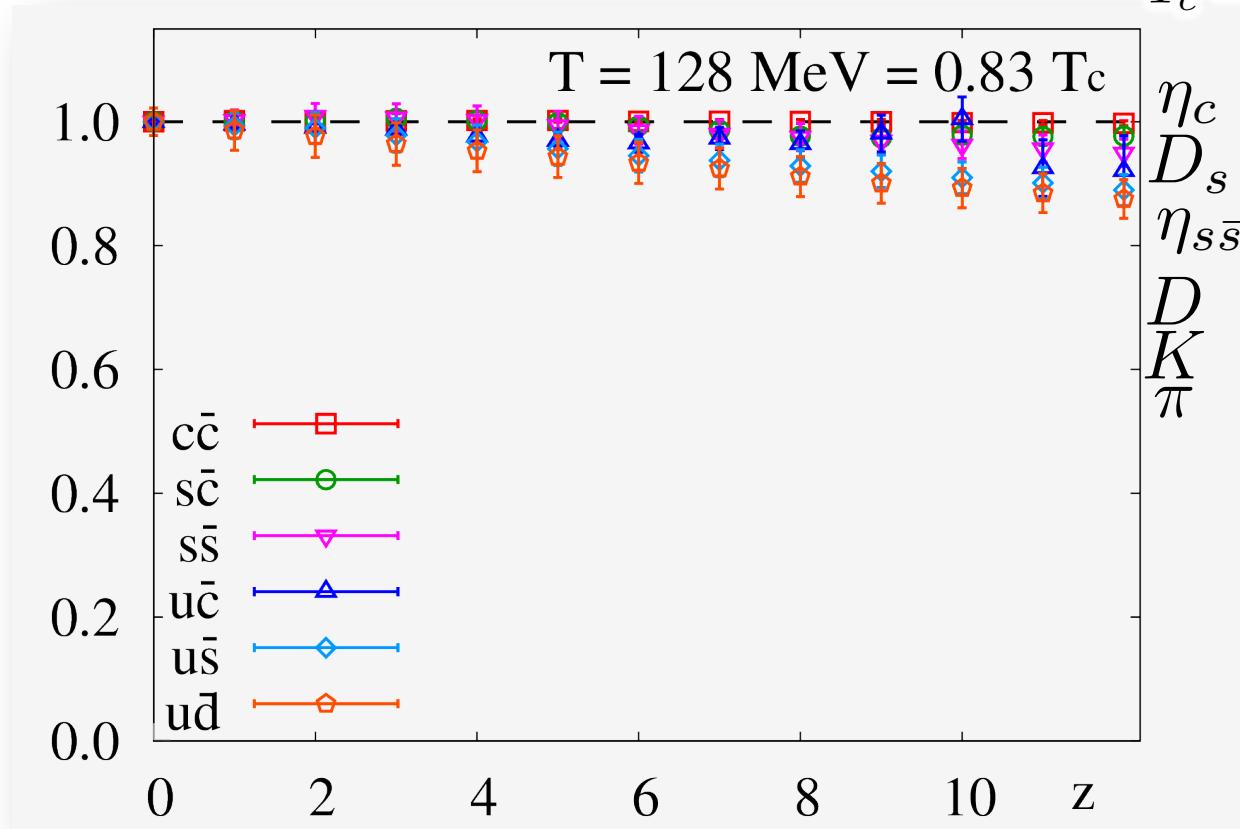
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## Probe of thermal modifications of spectral function

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$$T_c = (154 \pm 9) \text{ MeV}$$

Pseudo-scalar  
 $J^P = 0^-$



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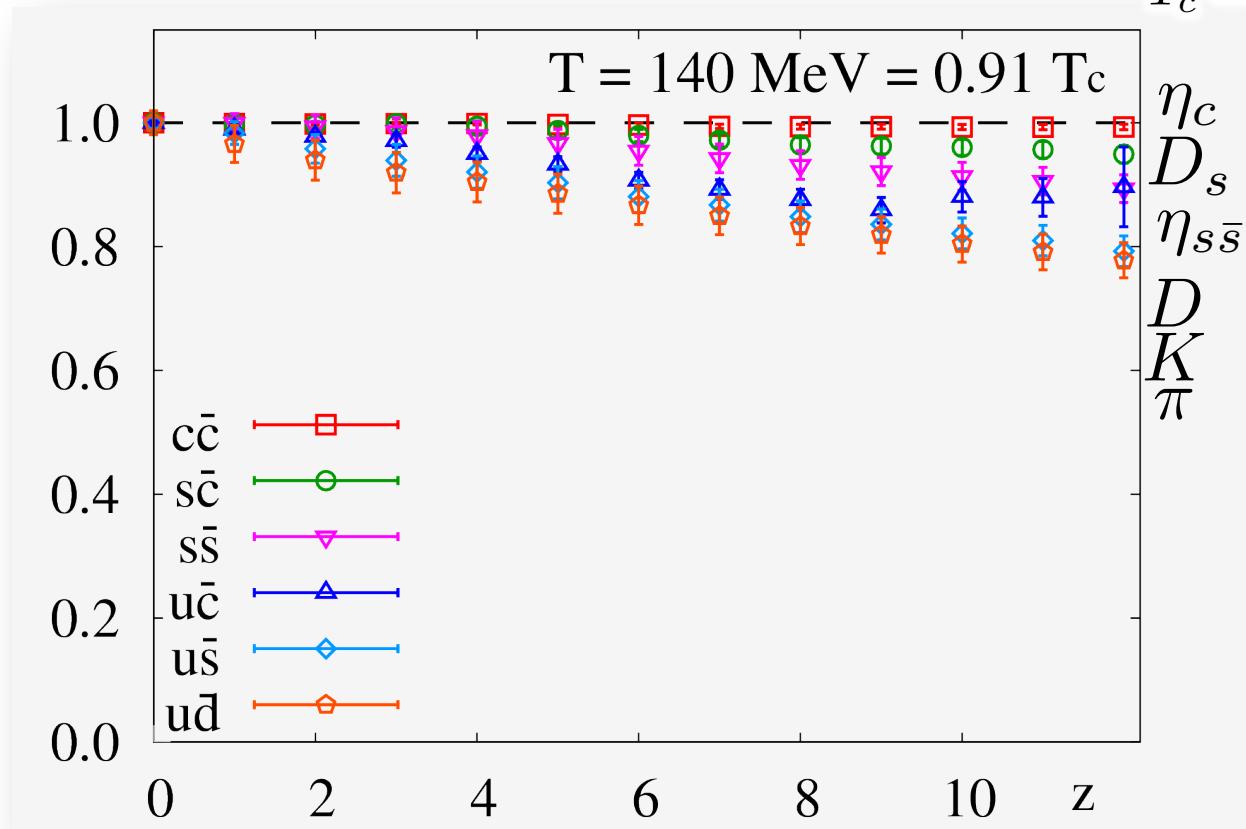
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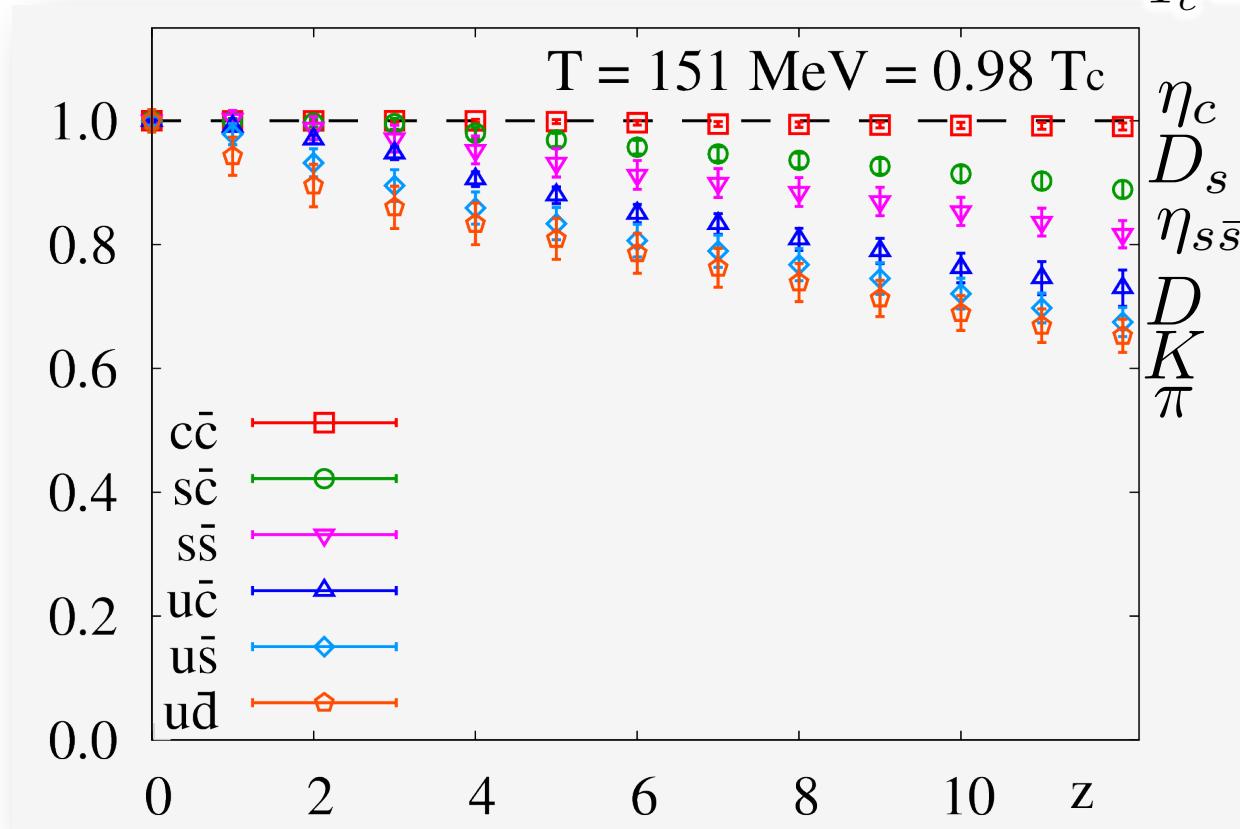
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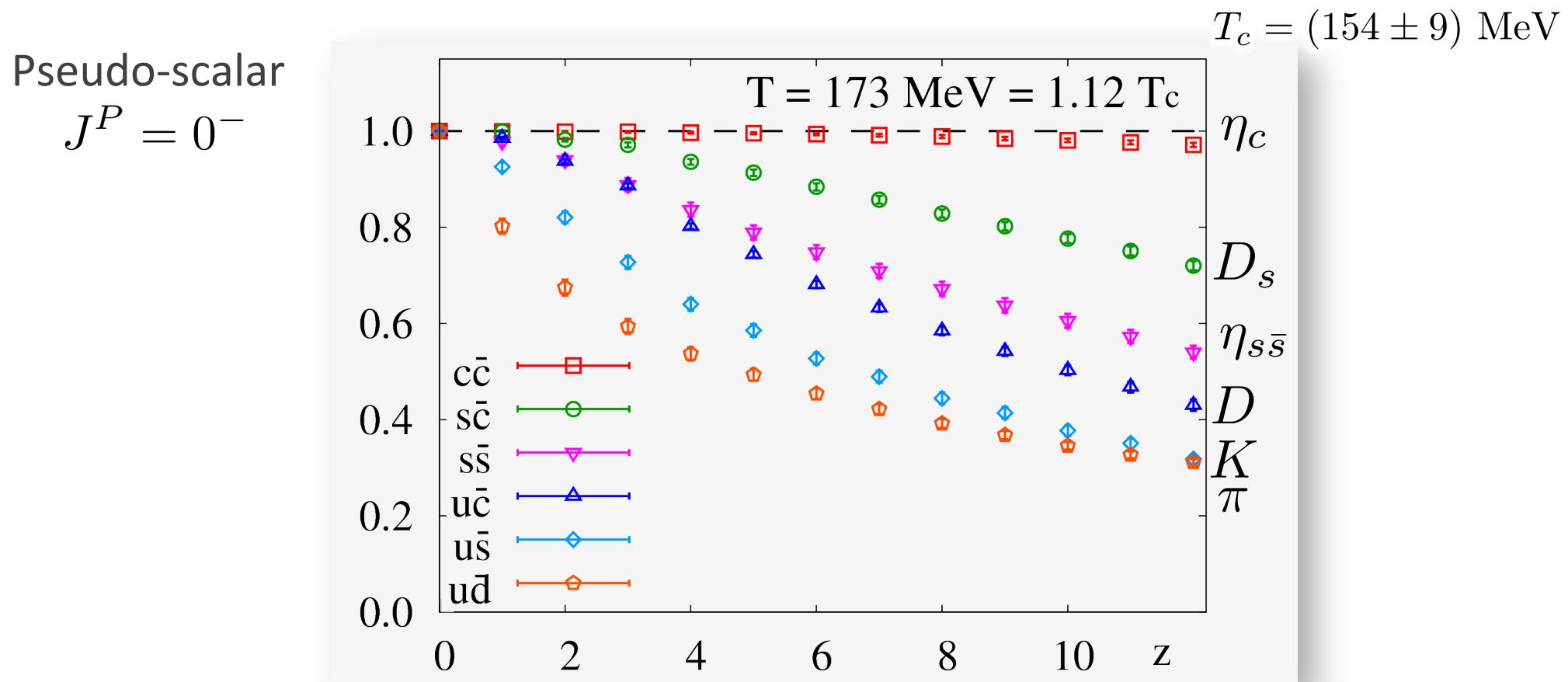


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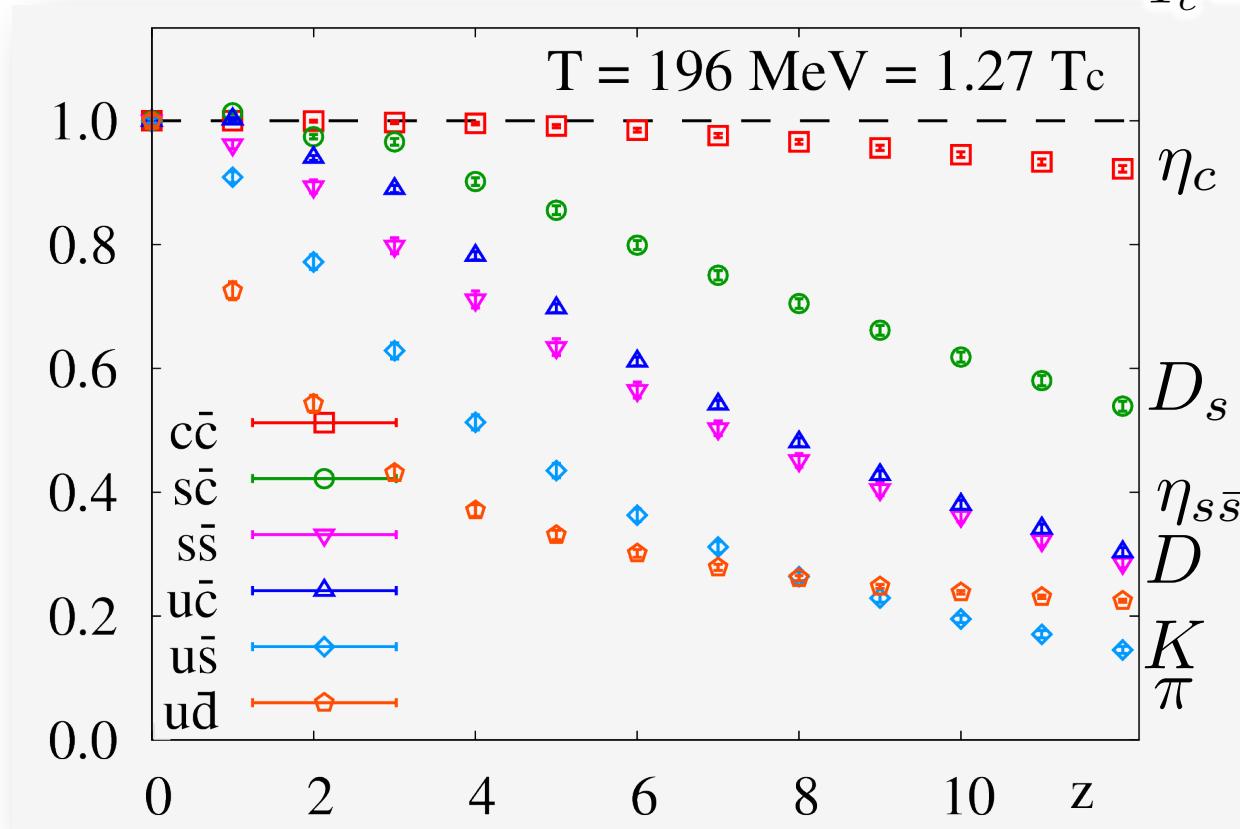
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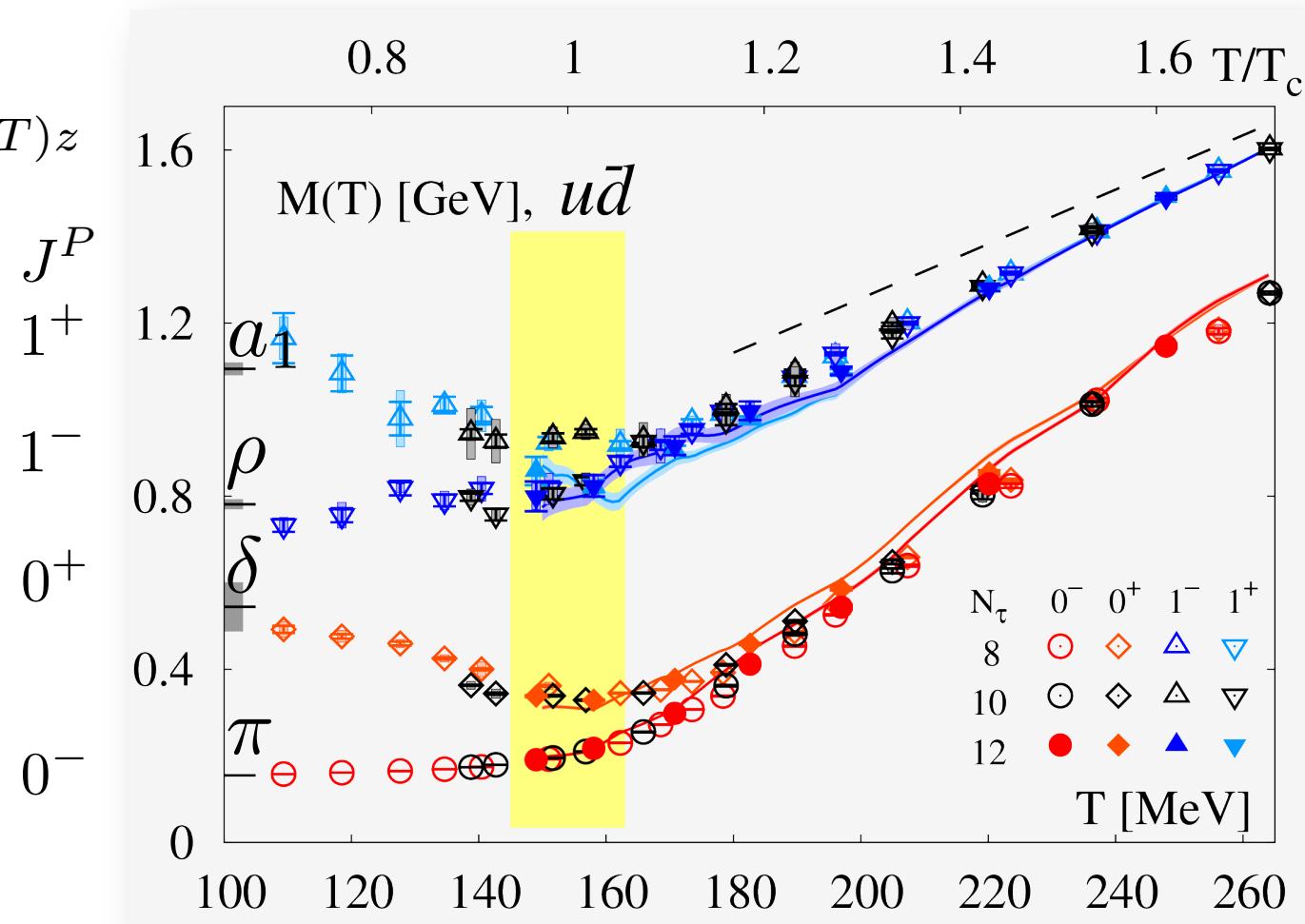
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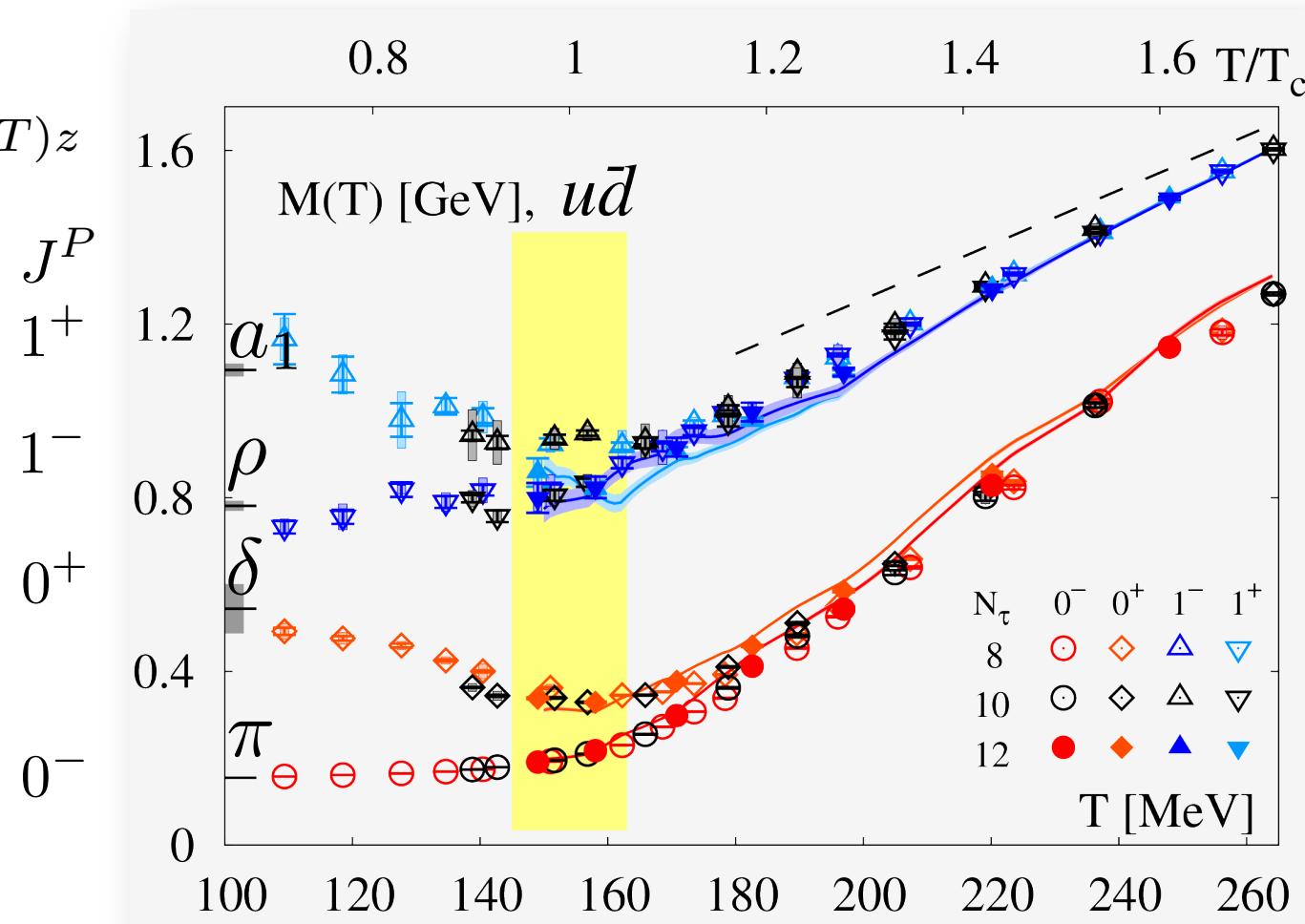
## mass shift

- P- : not significant at  $T < T_c$ , monotonically increasing at  $T > T_c$
- P+ : decreasing at  $T < T_c$ , increasing at  $T > T_c$
- Almost linear at  $T > 1.2T_c$  ➡ no mesonic bound states

cf.) dashed line: free limit  $M \rightarrow 2\sqrt{m_q^2 + (\pi T)^2}$

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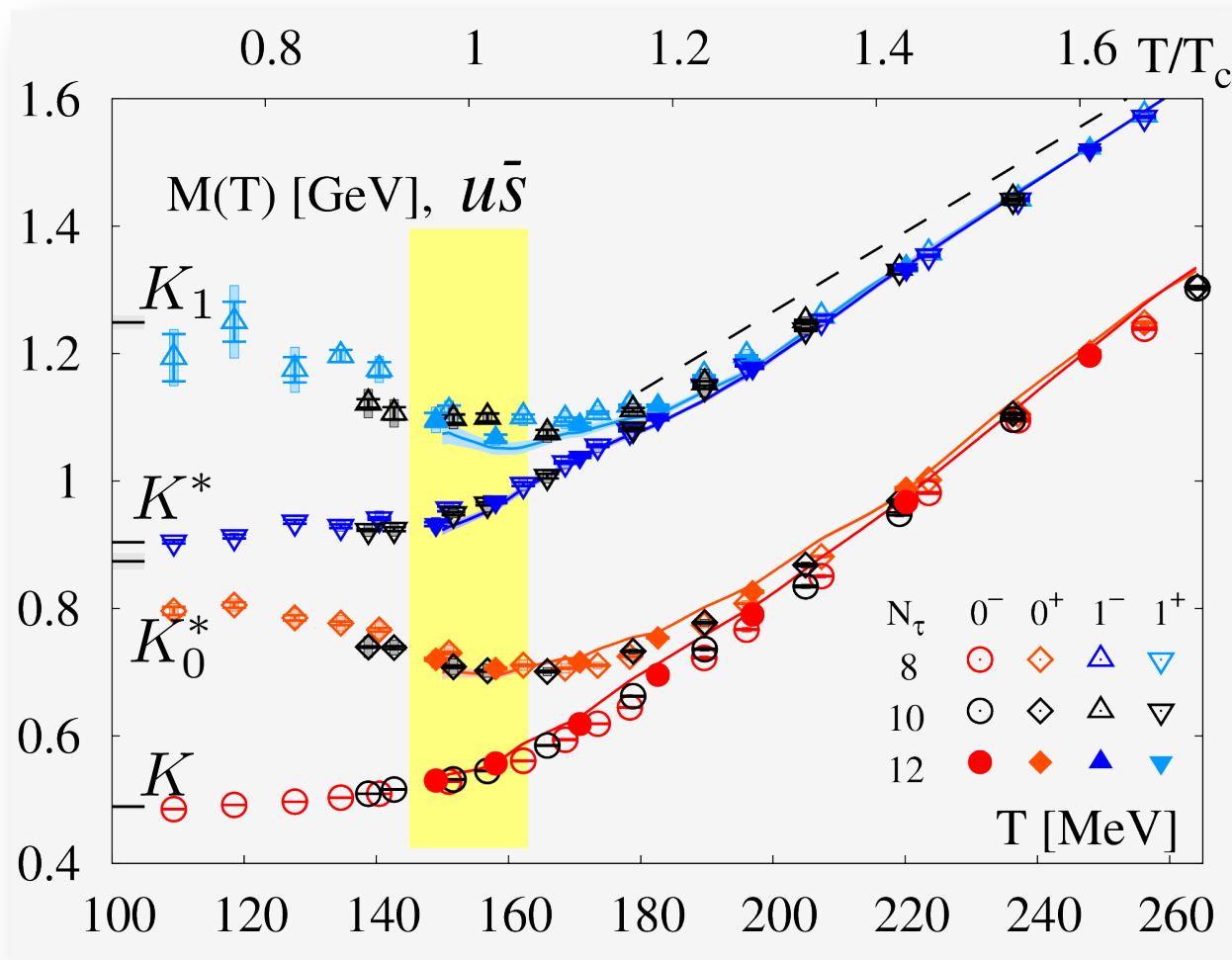
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## Restoration of broken symmetries

- Vector partner degenerates at  $T \sim 1.0T_c - 1.1T_c$   $\rightarrow$  chiral
- Scalar partner degenerates at  $T \sim 1.4T_c - 1.6T_c$   $\rightarrow$  chiral +  $U_A(1)$

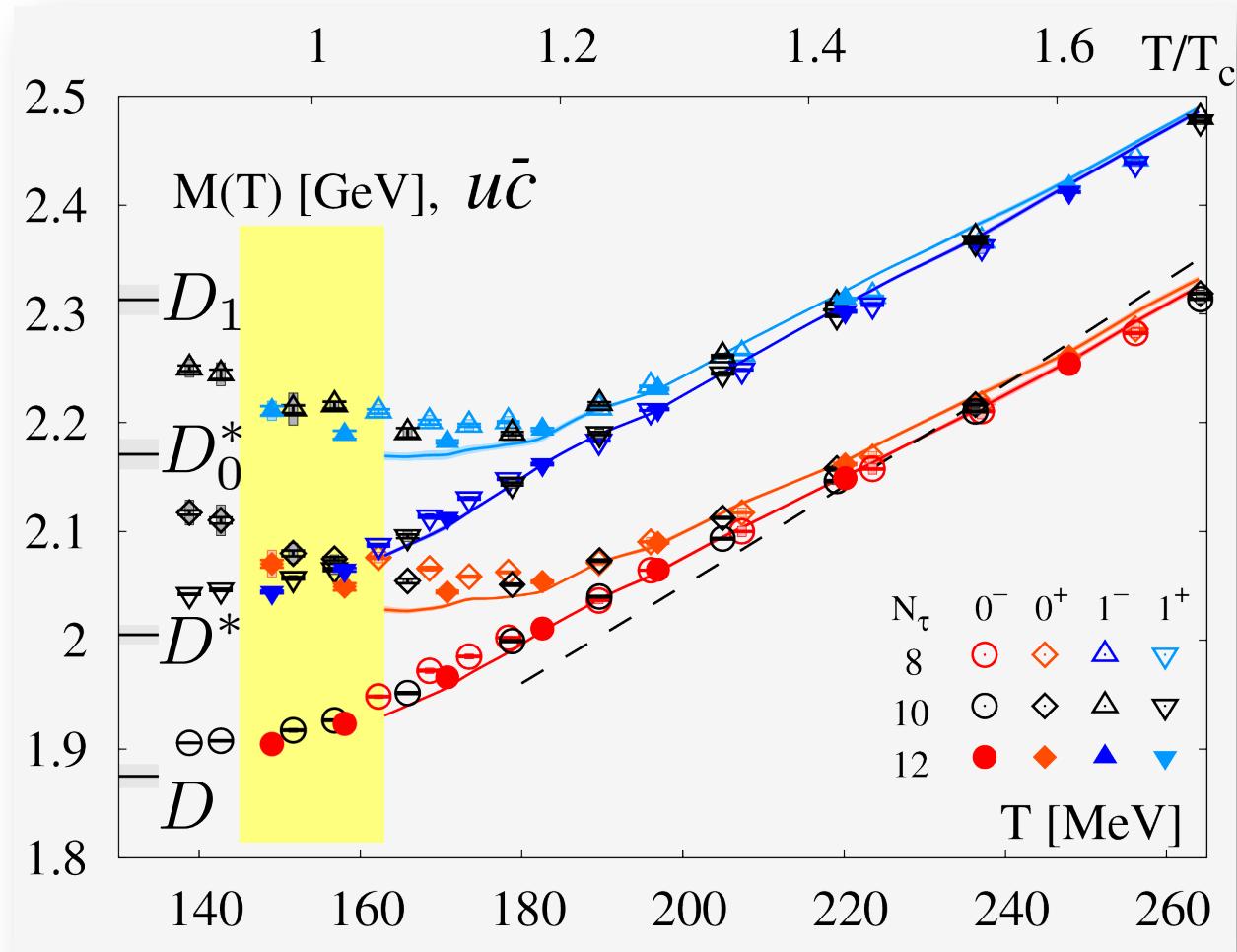
# Flavor dependence



## Restoration pattern

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- Degeneracies appear at  $T \sim 1.3T_C$  for vector and  $T \sim 1.6T_C$  for scalar

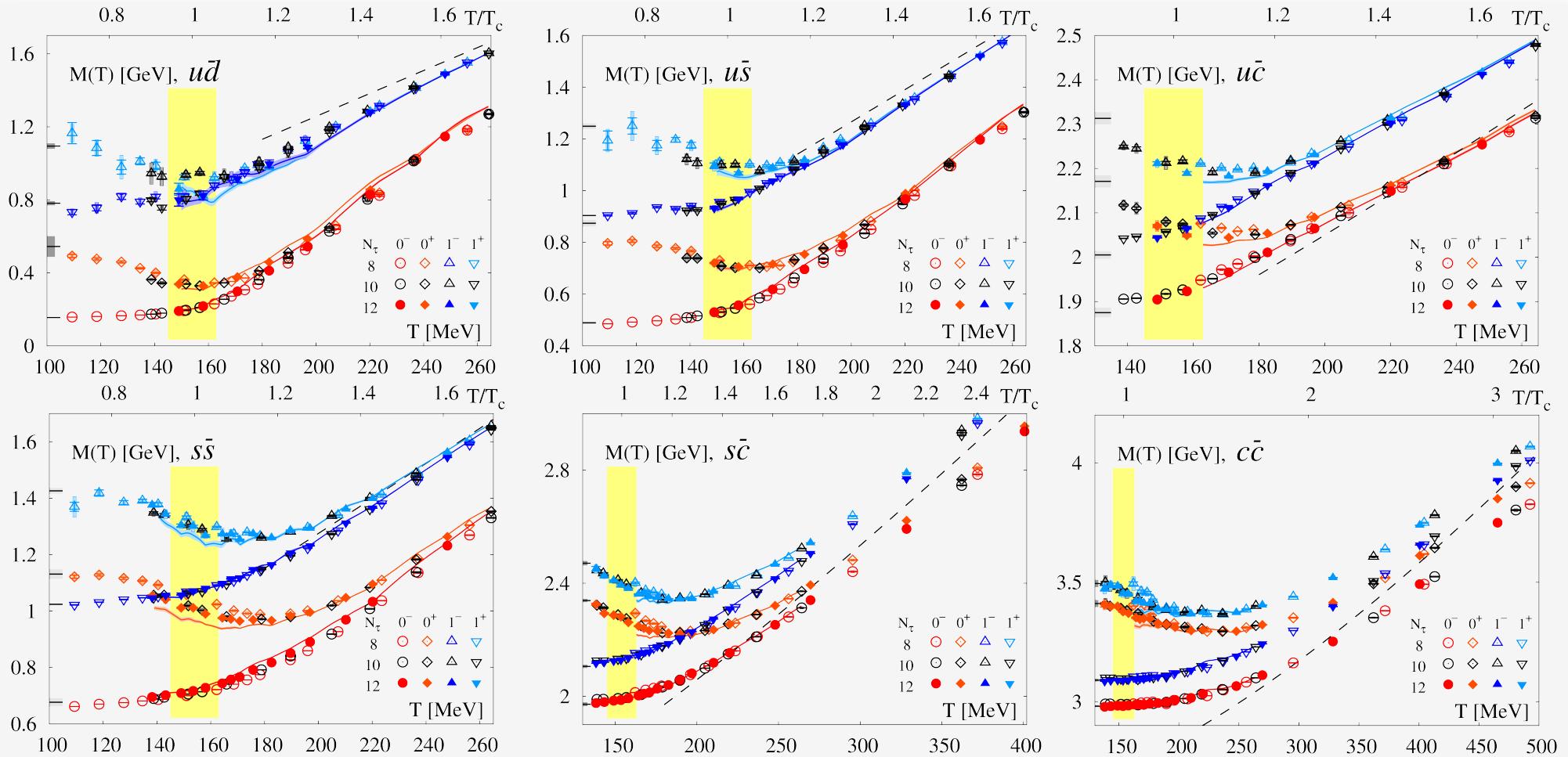
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## Restoration pattern

- Similar to  $u\bar{d}$
  - Degeneracies appear at  $T \sim 1.6T_c$  for both vector and scalar chiral: depend on flavors  
U<sub>A</sub>(1): independent
- restoration of

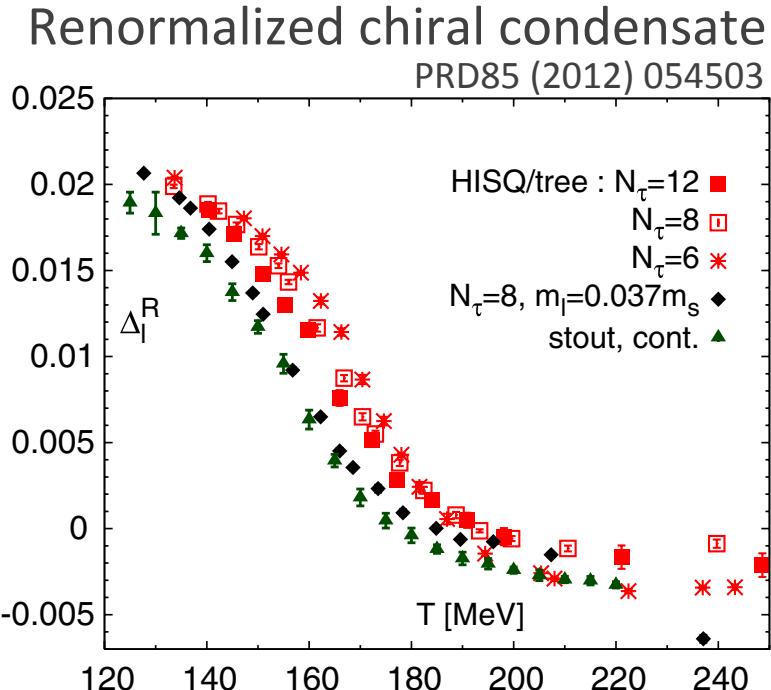
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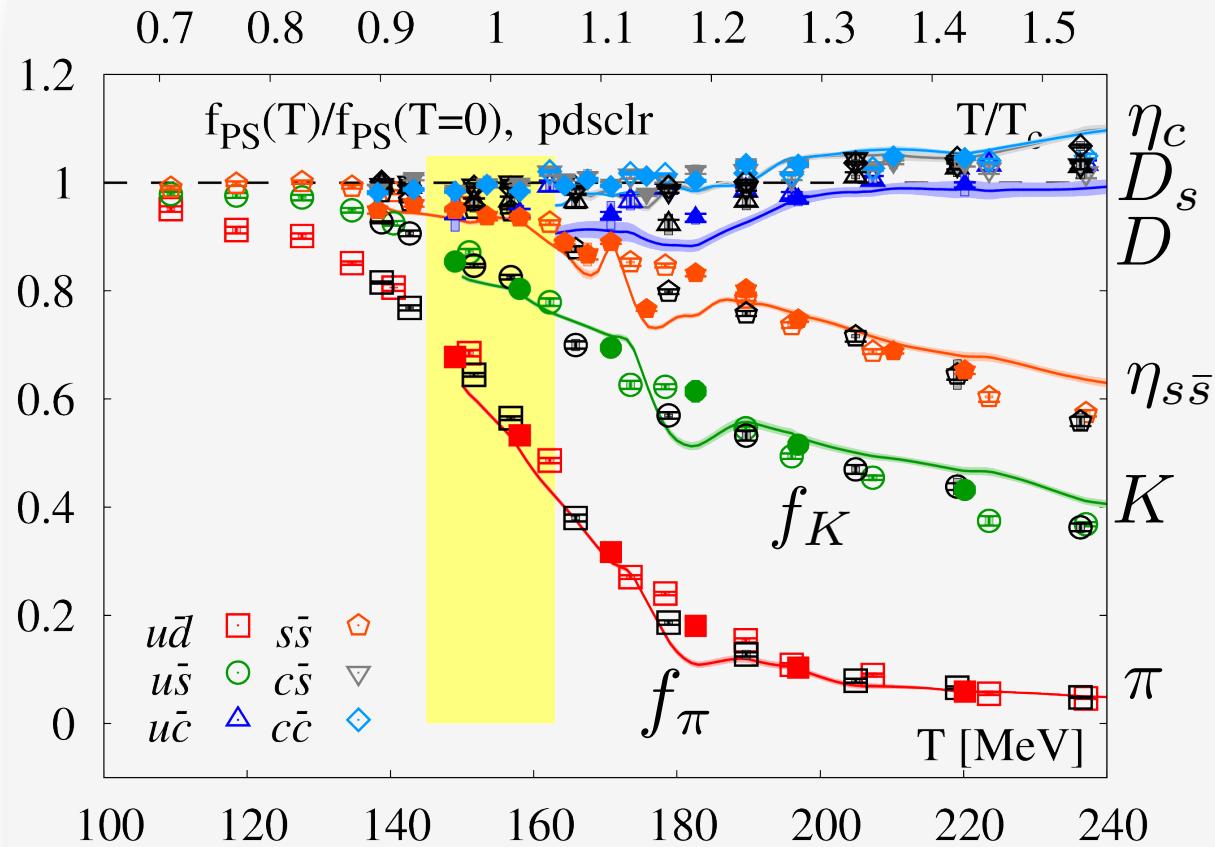
Universal mass shift: P – increasing monotonically  
 P+ decreasing first and increasing above some  $T$   
 Scale (chiral restored  $T$ ): depend on flavors

trivial? or...? effective scale: further different from chiral to heavy quarks  
 $m_{ud} \simeq 3-5$  MeV,  $m_s \simeq 95$  MeV,  $m_c \simeq 1.2$  GeV

# Leptonic decay constant



$$\frac{f_{\text{PS}}(T)}{f_{\text{PS}}(0)}$$



decreasing with  $T$  increasing for  $u\bar{d}, u\bar{s}$  and  $s\bar{s}$   
no significant  $T$  dependence for  $u\bar{c}, s\bar{c}$  and  $c\bar{c}$

Lattice indicates:  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle^*}{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle}} \approx \frac{f_\pi^*}{f_\pi} \times \frac{m_\rho^*}{m_\rho}$

# Summary

## Full-QCD lattice simulations on physical point

In-medium mesons from spatial correlation functions:

- sensitive to thermal modifications
- probe of modification of spectral function  $G^S(z, T)/G^S(z, T = 0)$

All meson modified even below  $T_c$  except for charmonium

In heavy-ion collision,

- Signal of creating quark-gluon plasma  
→ modification of charmonium ( $\eta_c$  and  $J/\psi$ )
- Thermal effect: appears on other meson states
- Restorations of broken symmetries: parity partners

Universal mass shift depending on parity channels

$T$  dependence of screening mass:  $G^S(z, T) \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow \infty} A e^{-M(T)z}$

- Leading response of mass shift
- P – increasing monotonically
- P+ decreasing first and then increasing
- Different from chiral effective approach

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