

Global Symmetry and Partial Deconfinement

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Based on MH-Holden-Knaggs-O'Bannon, 2021 (hep-th, to appear) + multiple papers since 2016

Outline

- Partial deconfinement at infinite N
- Partial deconfinement at finite N
- Chiral symmetry vs Partial deconfinement
- CP symmetry vs Partial deconfinement
- Conclusion & speculation

Confinement/deconfinement transition at large N

- Confinement \sim individual colors are not visible

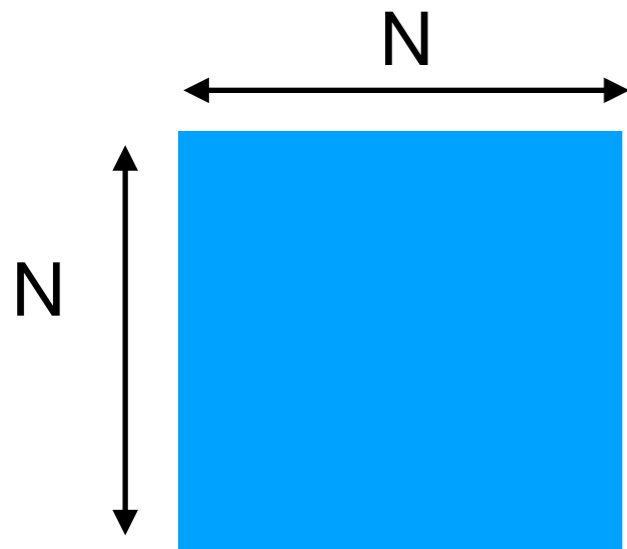
$$S \sim E \sim N^0$$

- Deconfinement $\sim N^2$ d.o.f. unlocked

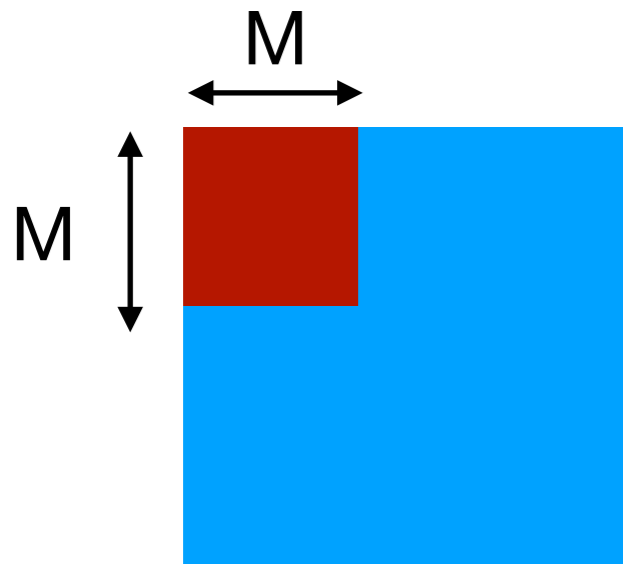
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- What happens in between these two phases?

$$N^0 \ll E \ll N^2$$



Completely Confined



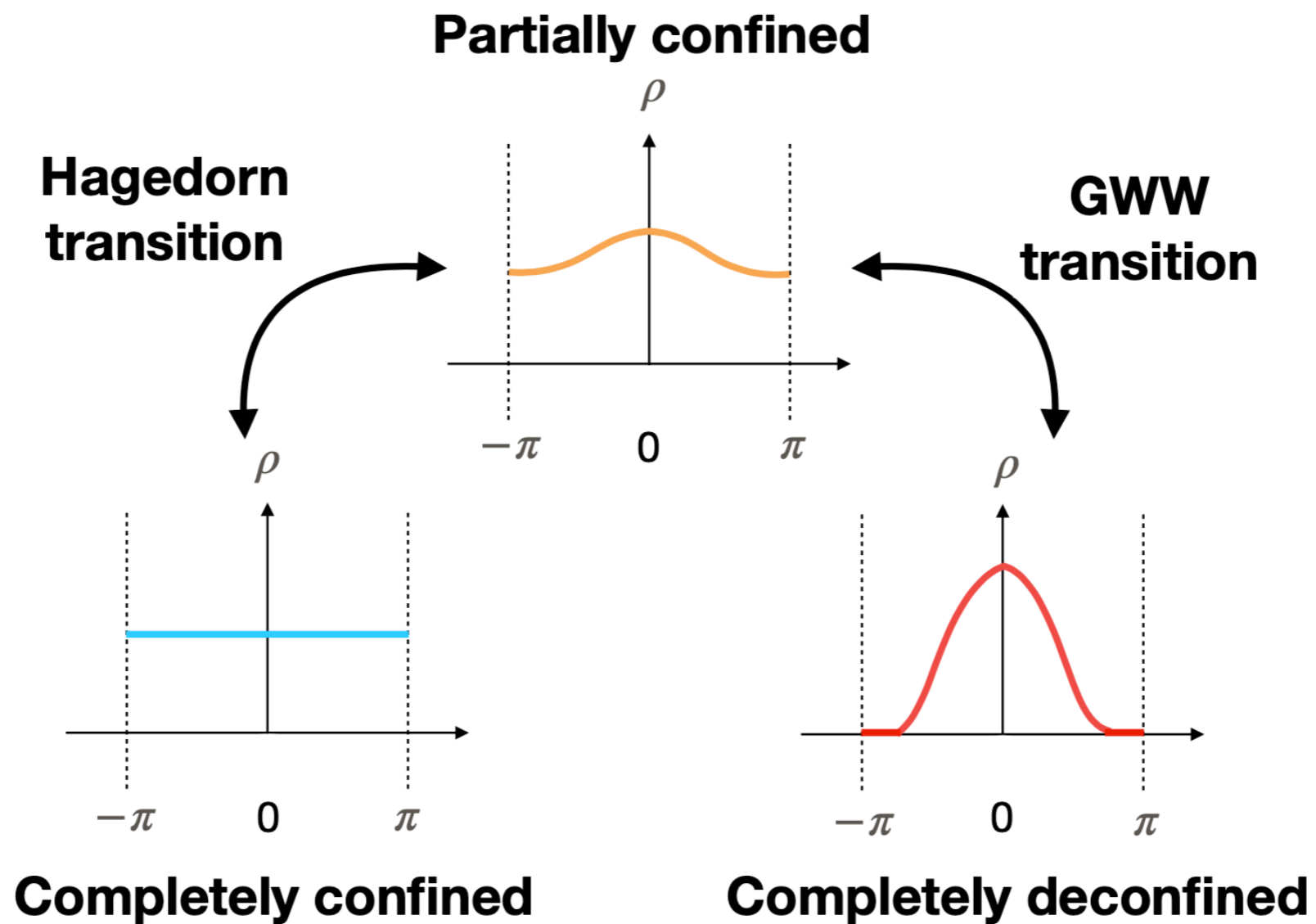
Partially Confined
(= Partially Deconfined)

MH-Maltz, 2016 (JHEP) **First proposal, for 4d SYM (as dual of small BH)**
MH-Ishiki-Watanabe, 2018 (JHEP) **Qualitative arguments for generic theories**
MH-Jevicki-Peng-Wintergerst, 2019 (JHEP) **Explicit demonstration**
MH-Shimada-Wintergerst, 2020 (JHEP) **for weakly-coupled theories**
Underlying mechanism (~BEC in color space)

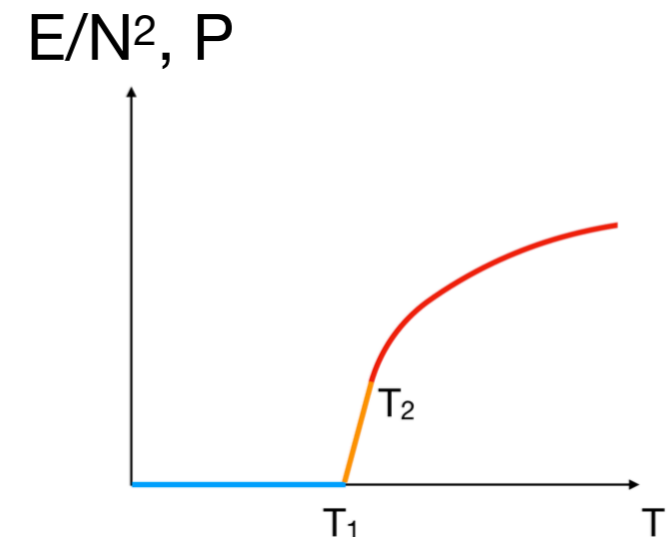
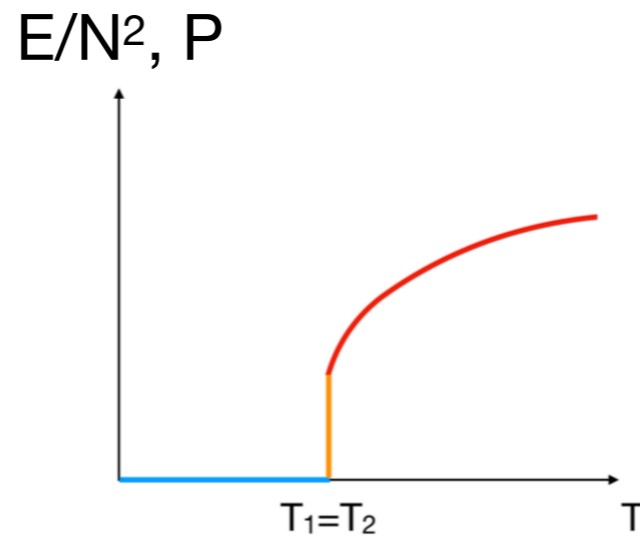
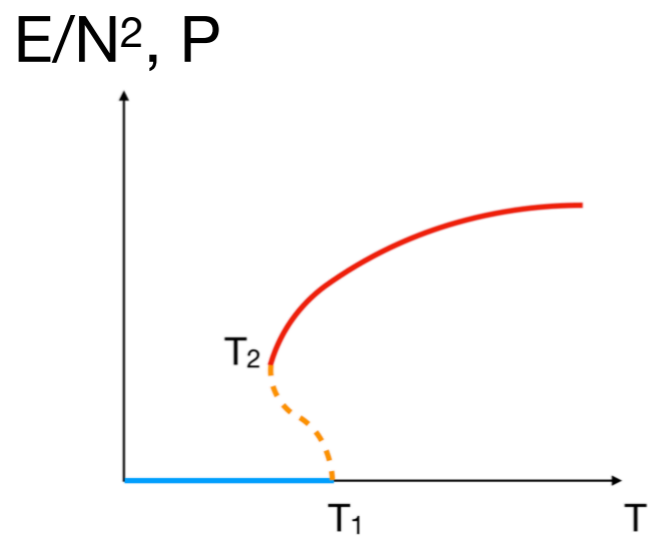
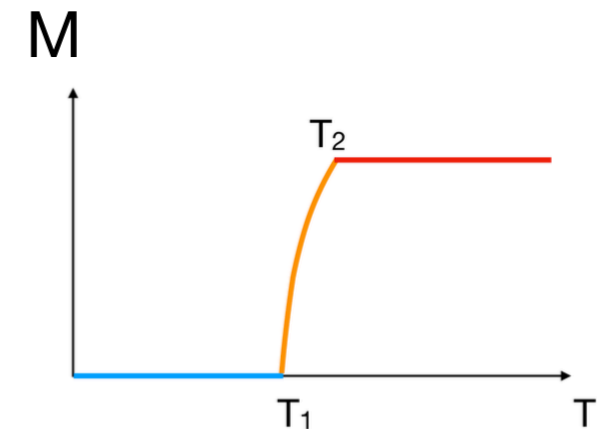
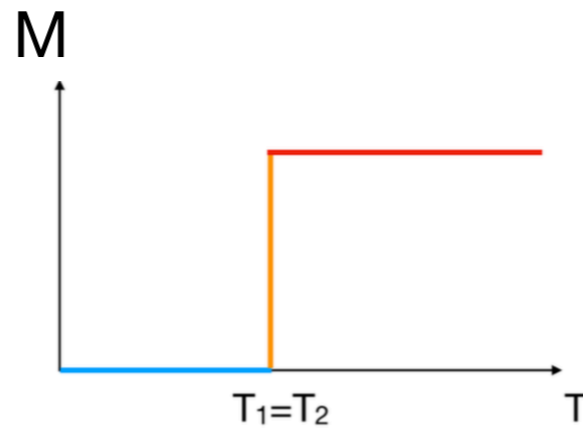
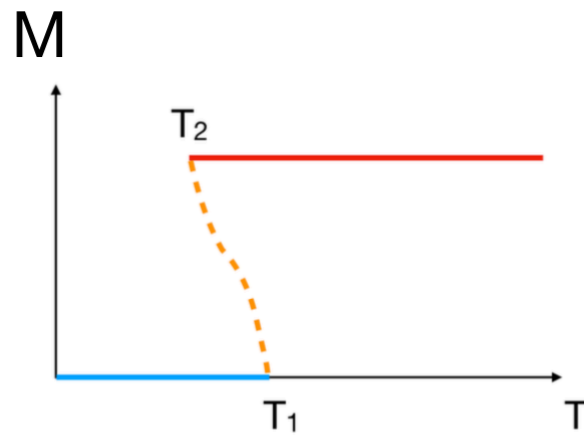
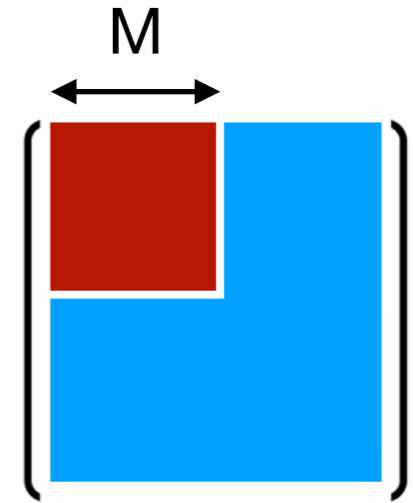
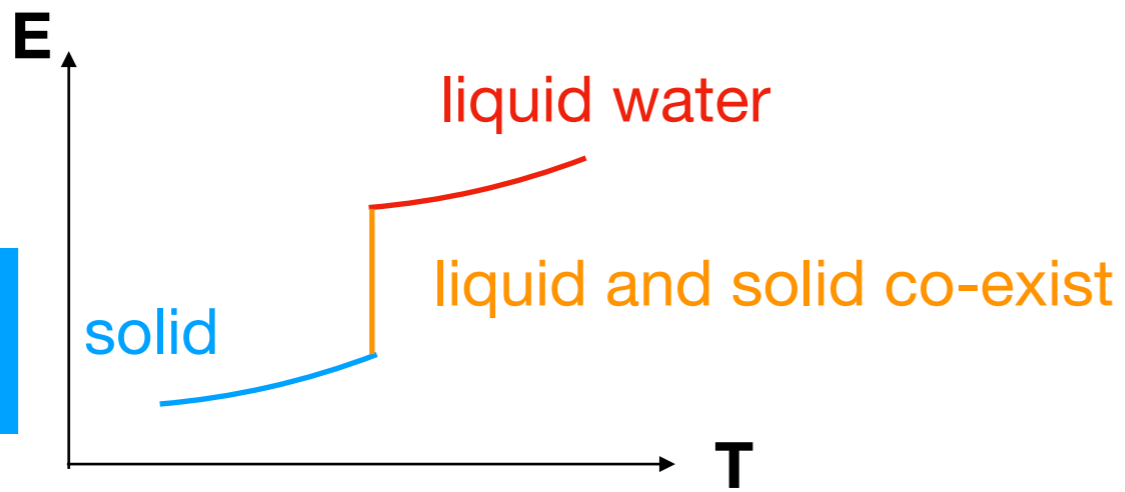
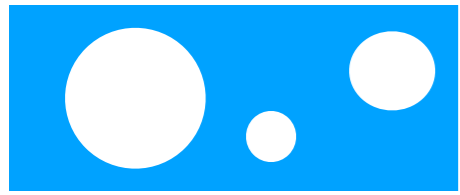


Completely Deconfined

Polyakov Loop $P = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N e^{i\theta_j}$



cf) water/ice



All-to-all interaction → Nontrivial T-dependence

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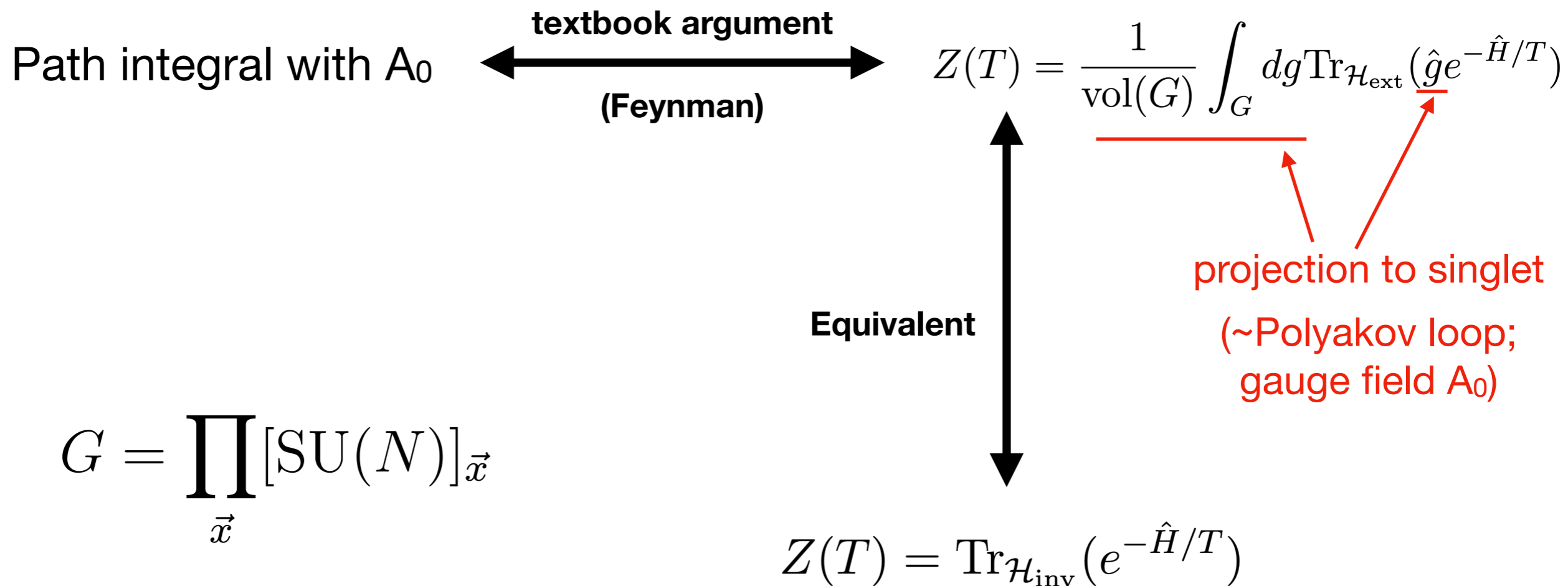
Path integral with A_0 $\xleftrightarrow[\text{(Feynman)}]{\text{textbook argument}}$ $Z(T) = \frac{1}{\text{vol}(G)} \int_G dg \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\text{ext}}}(\hat{g} e^{-\hat{H}/T})$

projection to singlet
(~Polyakov loop;
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$|\Phi\rangle$



$$\int_G dg (\hat{g} |\Phi\rangle)$$

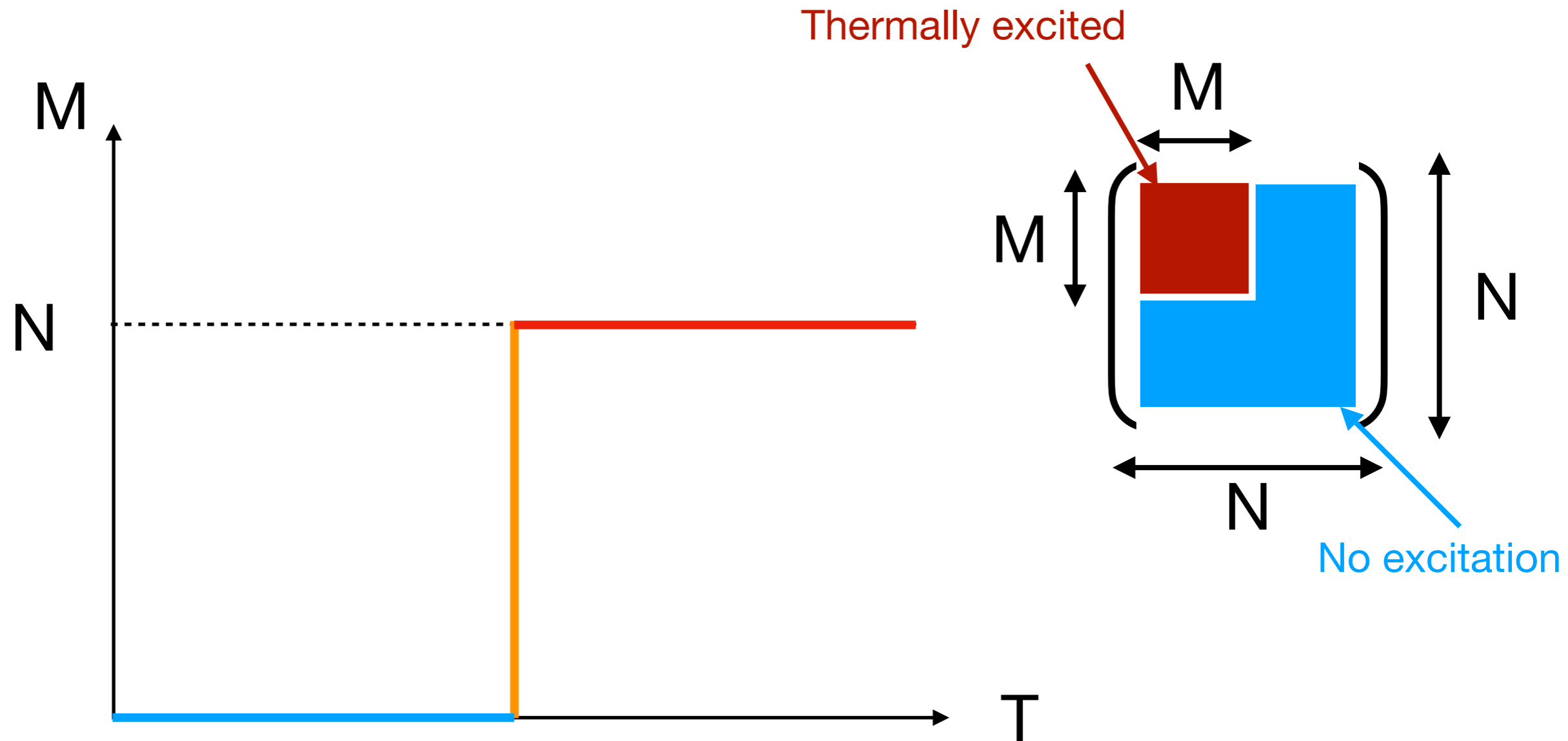
$$|\Phi\rangle \sim \hat{g} |\Phi\rangle$$

states related by a gauge transformation
should be identified



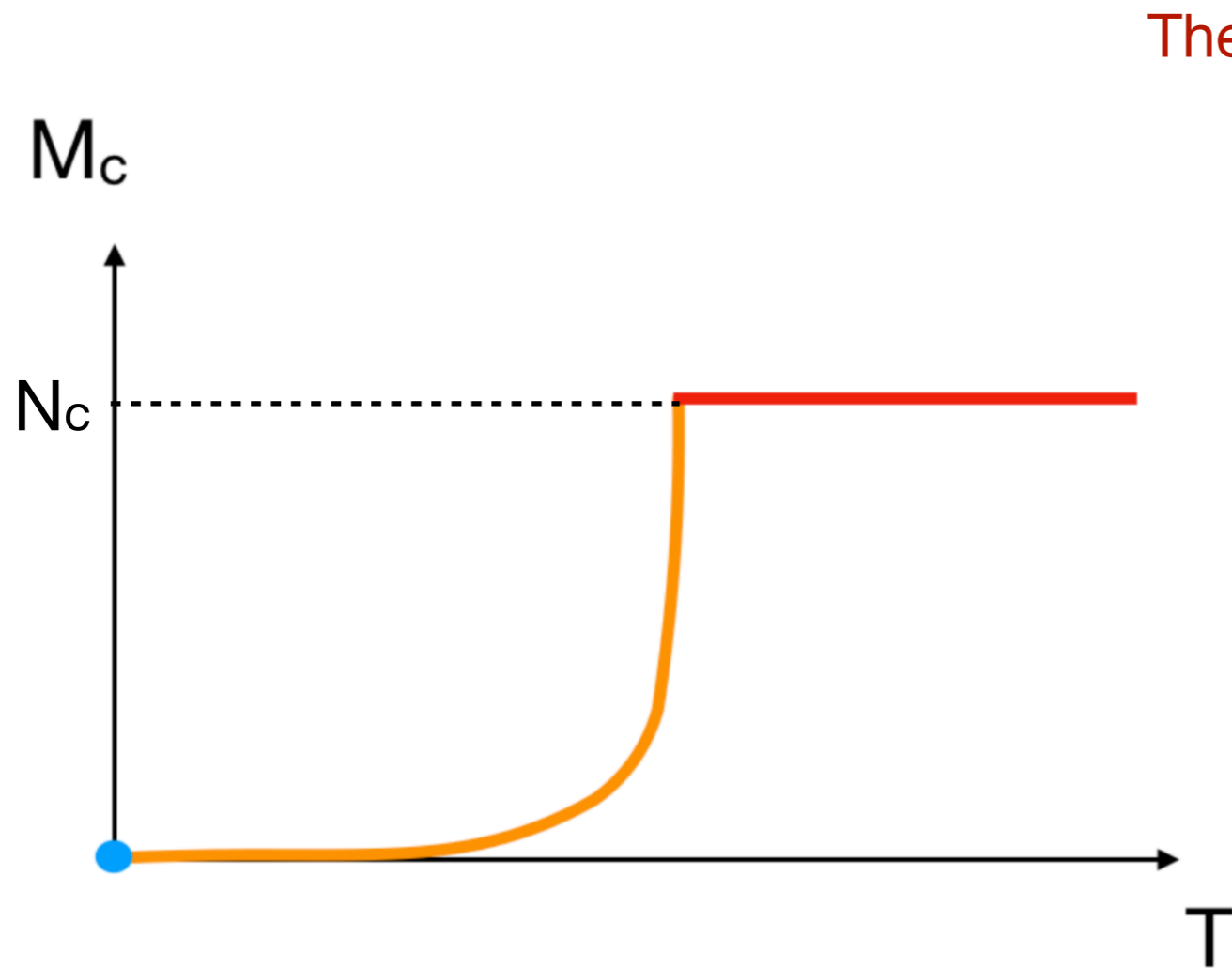
Any embedding of $SU(M)$ to $SU(N)$ is fine.

Weakly-coupled pure YM on S^3

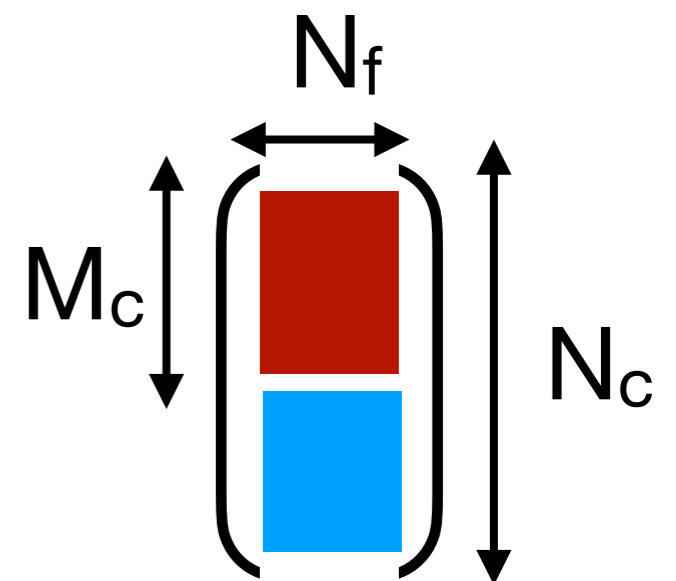
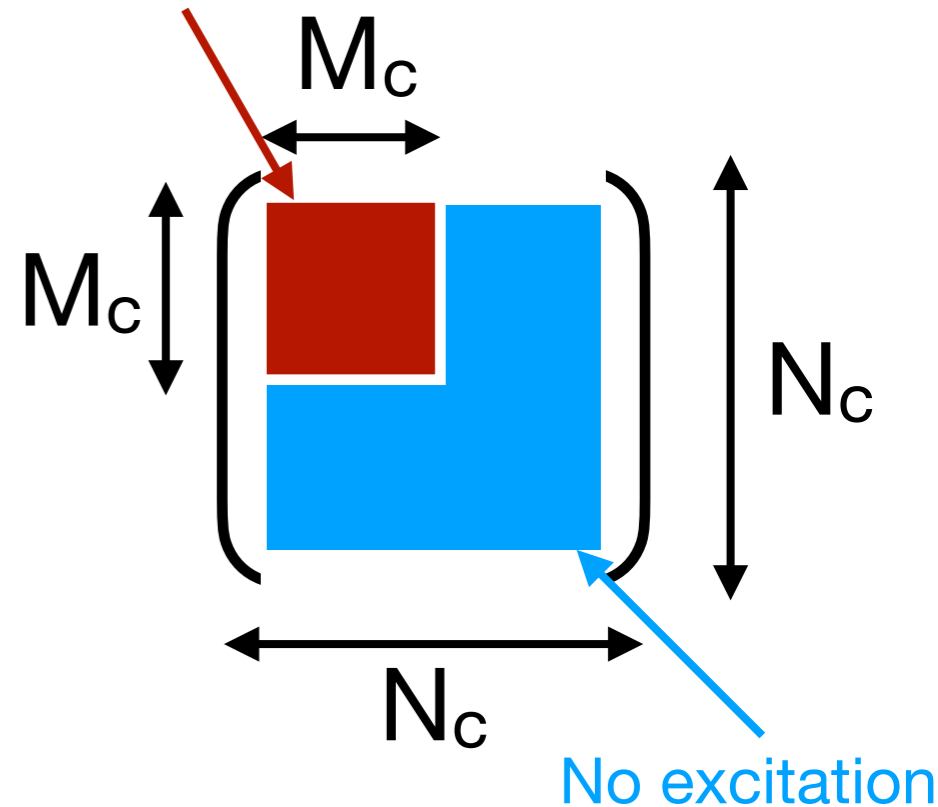


MH-Jevicki-Peng-Wintergerst, 1909.09118
(re-interpretation of Sundborg 1998, Aharony et al 2003)

Weakly-coupled QCD on S^3



Thermally excited



MH-Robinson, 1911.06223
(re-interpretation of Schnitzer's calculation in 2004)

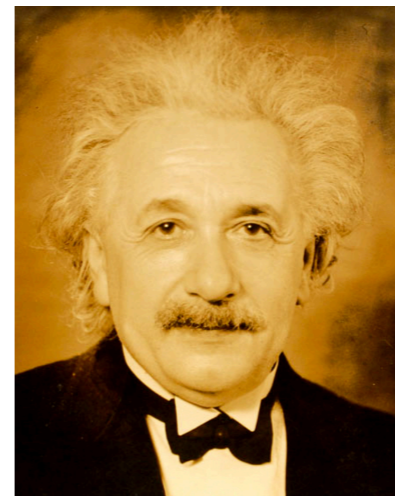
Free, but N_f/M_c changes
→ nontrivial T-dependence

Underlying Mechanism

BEC in color space



Bose



Einstein

Summation over singlet states $Z(T) = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\text{inv}}} (e^{-\hat{H}/T})$

Summation over all states & projection to singlet states

$$Z(T) = \frac{1}{\text{vol}(G)} \int_G dg \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\text{ext}}} (\hat{g} e^{-\hat{H}/T})$$

$G = \text{SU}(N) + \text{adjoint fields} \rightarrow \text{Yang-Mills}$

$G = S_N + \text{fundamental fields} \rightarrow N \text{ indistinguishable bosons}$

N bosons in 3d harmonic trap

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{\hat{\vec{p}}_i^2}{2m} + \frac{m\omega^2}{2} \hat{x}_i^2 \right) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{\vec{x}}_i &= (\hat{x}_i, \hat{y}_i, \hat{z}_i) \\ \hat{\vec{p}}_i &= (\hat{p}_{x,i}, \hat{p}_{y,i}, \hat{p}_{z,i}) \end{aligned}$$

Fock states $|\vec{n}_1, \vec{n}_2, \dots, \vec{n}_N\rangle \equiv \prod_{i=1}^3 \frac{\hat{a}_{i1}^{\dagger n_{i1}}}{\sqrt{n_{i1}!}} \frac{\hat{a}_{i2}^{\dagger n_{i2}}}{\sqrt{n_{i2}!}} \dots \frac{\hat{a}_{iN}^{\dagger n_{iN}}}{\sqrt{n_{iN}!}} |0\rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} Z(T) &= \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{\sigma \in S_N} \sum_{\vec{n}_1, \dots, \vec{n}_N} \langle \vec{n}_1, \dots, \vec{n}_N | \hat{\sigma} e^{-\hat{H}/T} | \vec{n}_1, \dots, \vec{n}_N \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{\vec{n}_1, \dots, \vec{n}_N} e^{-(E_{\vec{n}_1} + \dots + E_{\vec{n}_N})/T} \left(\sum_{\sigma \in S_N} \langle \vec{n}_1, \dots, \vec{n}_N | \vec{n}_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, \vec{n}_{\sigma(N)} \rangle \right) \end{aligned}$$

↑
measures the amount of redundancy

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\end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{0}, \vec{0}, \dots, \vec{0}\rangle \quad N!$$

$$|\vec{n}_1, \dots, \vec{n}_N\rangle \quad 1$$

 (all of them are different)

$$|\vec{n}_1, \dots, \vec{n}_M, \vec{0}, \dots, \vec{0}\rangle \quad (N - M)!$$

This enhancement triggers BEC.

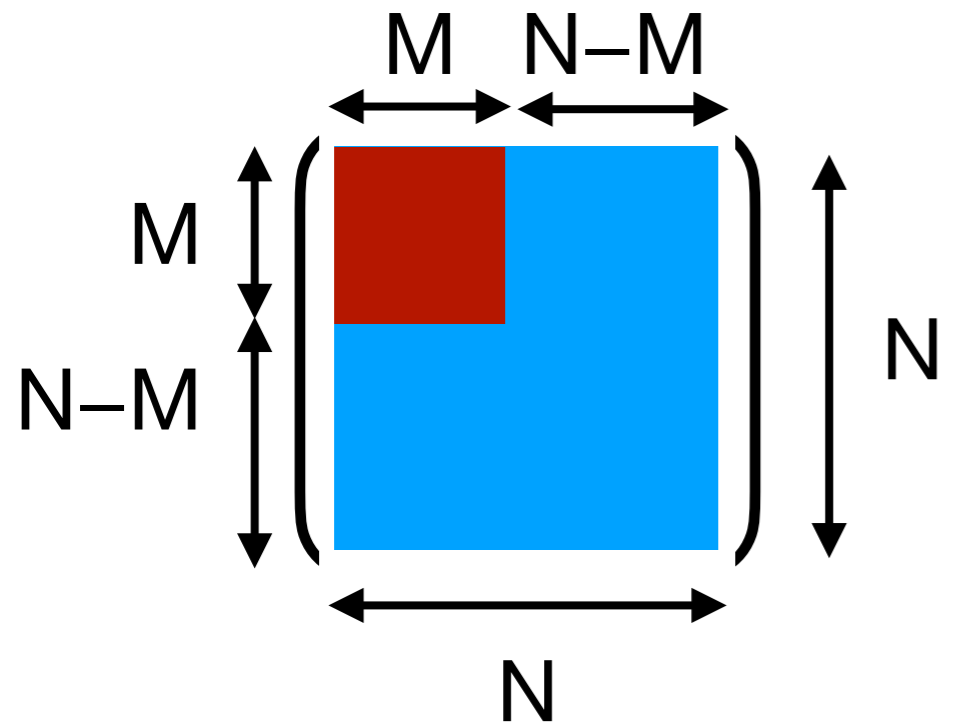
Einstein, 1924

Partially-BEC state

$$|\vec{n}_1, \dots, \vec{n}_M, \vec{0}, \dots, \vec{0}\rangle \quad (N - M)!$$

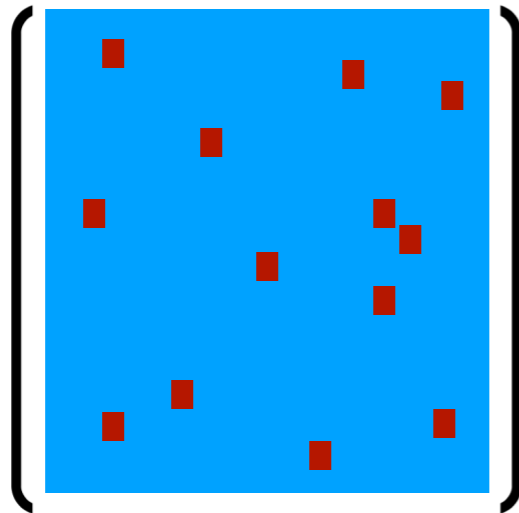
Partially-confined state

(MH-Maltz, 2016; Berenstein, 2018;
 MH-Ishiki-Watanabe, 2018;
 MH-Jevicki-Peng-Wintergerst, 2019;
 Watanabe et al, 2020)

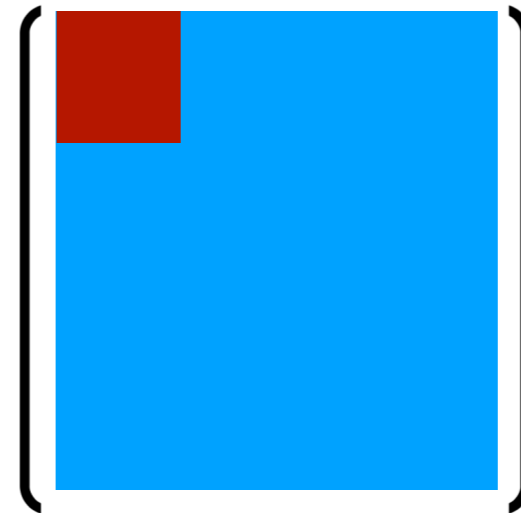


$$\text{vol}(\text{SU}(N - M)) \sim e^{(N-M)^2}$$

deconfined sector = extended bound state of strings and D-brane
 = black hole



no symmetry



**Larger enhancement factor
(volume of $SU(N-M)$)**

This symmetry argument does not assume weak coupling.

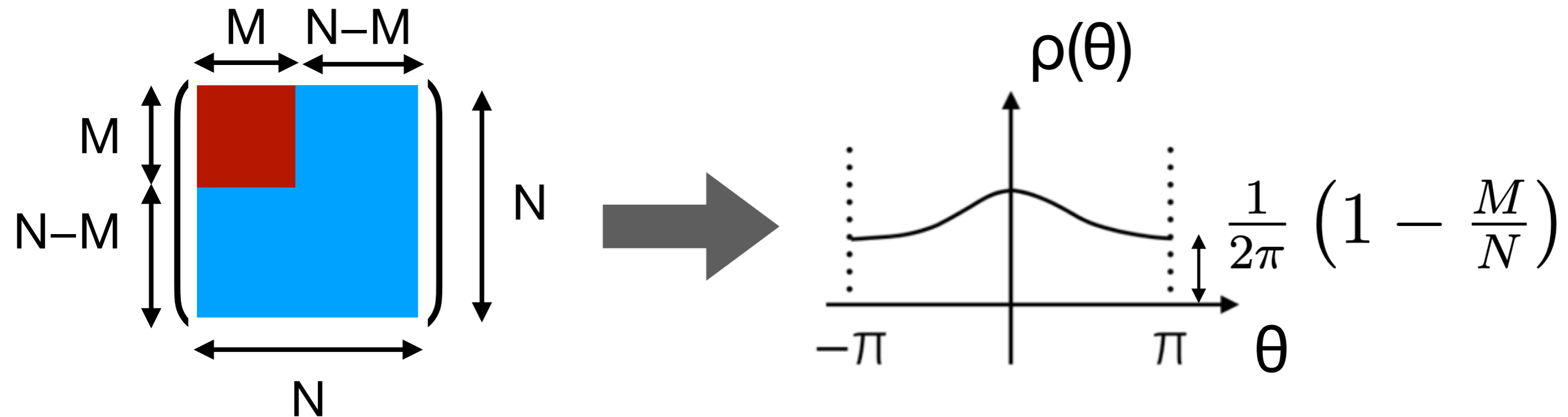
Explicit construction for SYM and matrix model: MH, 2102.08982 [hep-th]

$$Z(T) = \frac{1}{\text{vol}G} \int_G dg \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\text{ext}}} \left(\hat{g} e^{-\hat{H}/T} \right)$$

$$\sim \frac{1}{\text{vol}G} e^{-E_{\text{typical}}/T} \int_G dg \langle \text{typical} | \hat{g} | \text{typical} \rangle$$

Polyakov loop

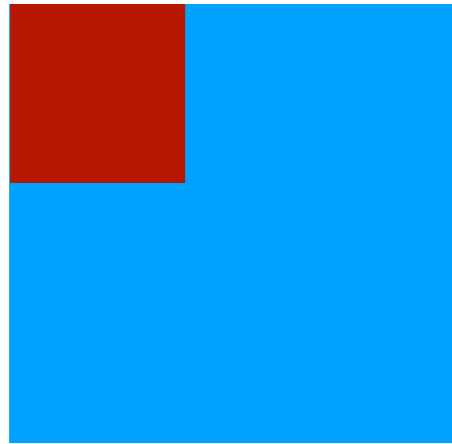
Typical \hat{g} 's which leave $|\text{typical}\rangle$ unchanged dominate the phase distribution



$$|\vec{n}_1, \dots, \vec{n}_M, \vec{0}, \dots, \vec{0}\rangle$$

MH-Shimada-Wintergerst, 2020
(Similar to Feynman, 1953)

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We have to specify the embedding of $SU(M)$
as boundary condition
→ multiple superselection sectors

- Global part of gauge symmetry breaks spontaneously.
- It is convenient to fix the local part, like usual Higgsing.
- Gauge fixing of the local part makes physics more easily understandable.

$$SU(N) \rightarrow SU(M) \times SU(N-M)$$

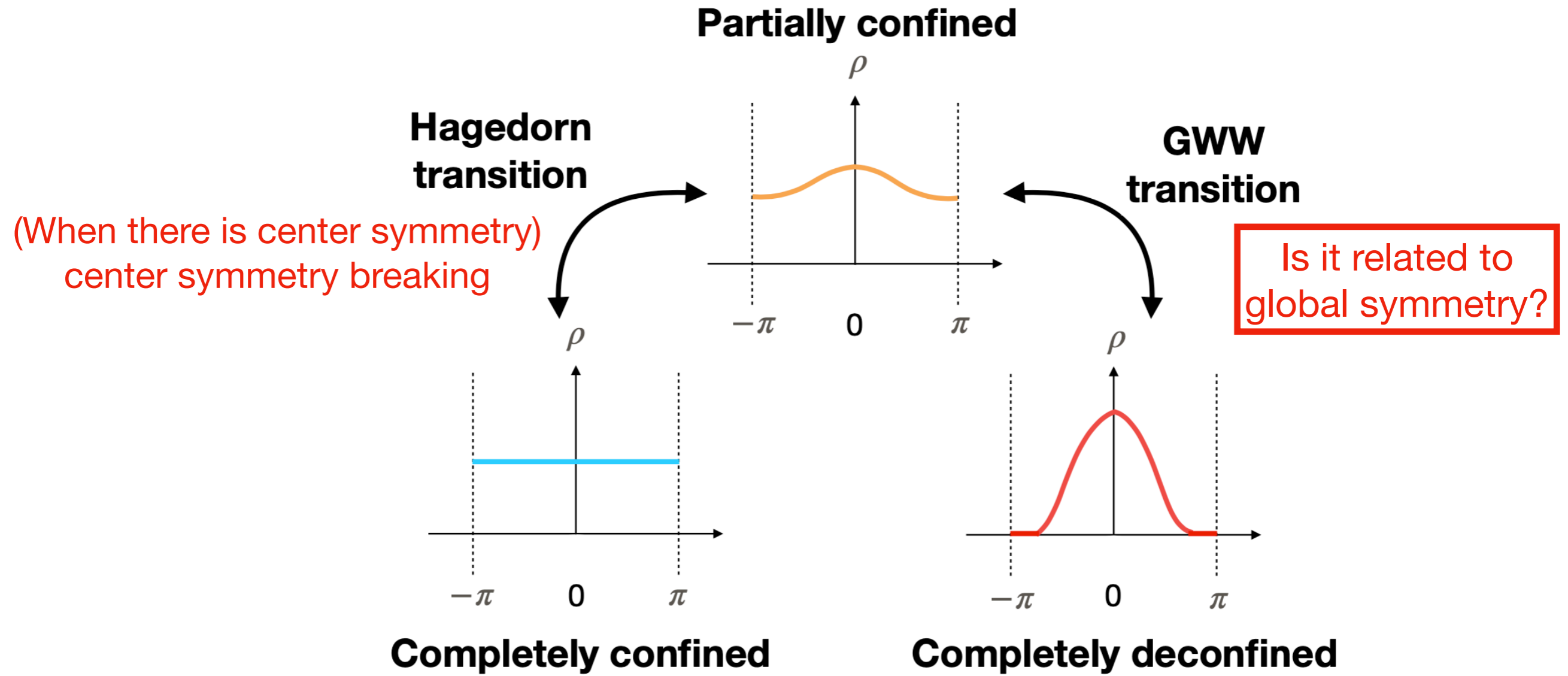
'gauge symmetry breaking' like Higgs mechanism.

MH-Jevicki-Peng-Wintergerst, 2019

Works for finite N as well. No need for global symmetry.
→ It works for real-world QCD.
But the consequence is not immediately clear.

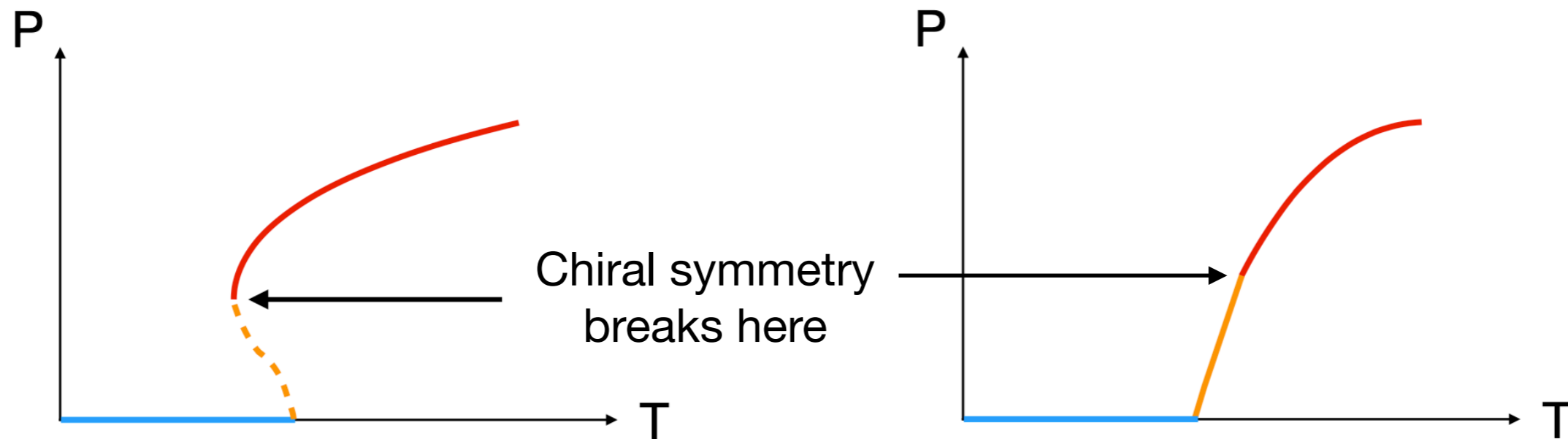
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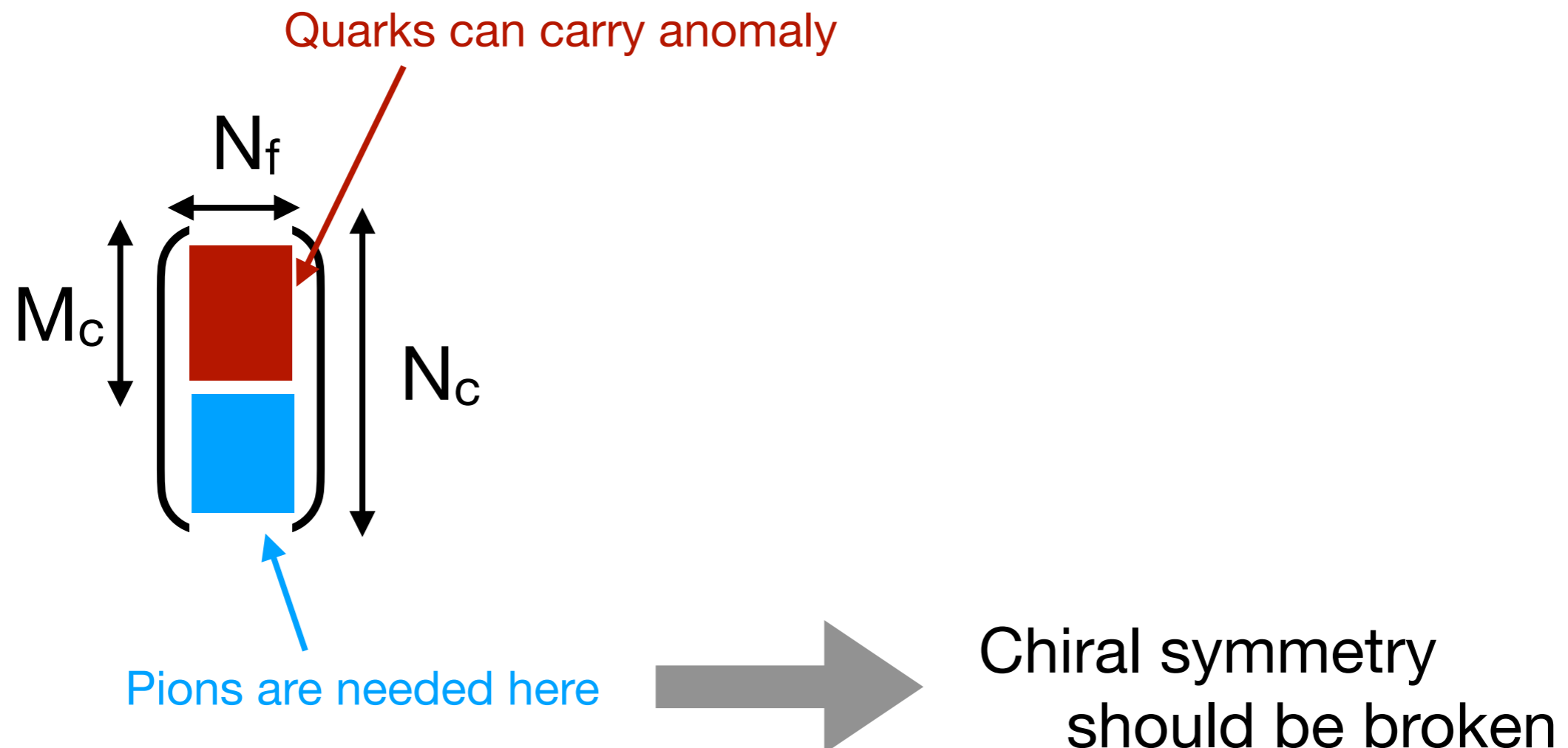
Our hypothesis

MH-Robinson, 1911.06223



Because:

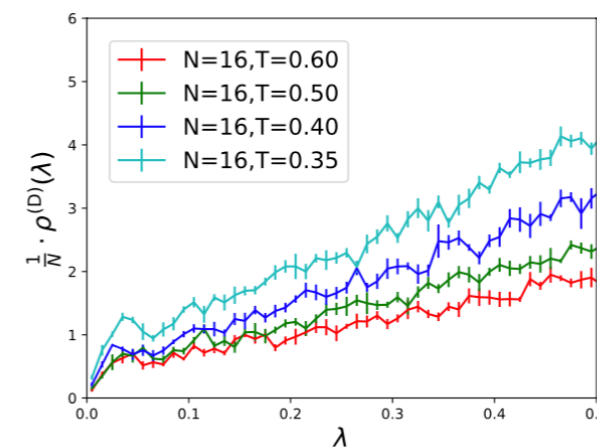
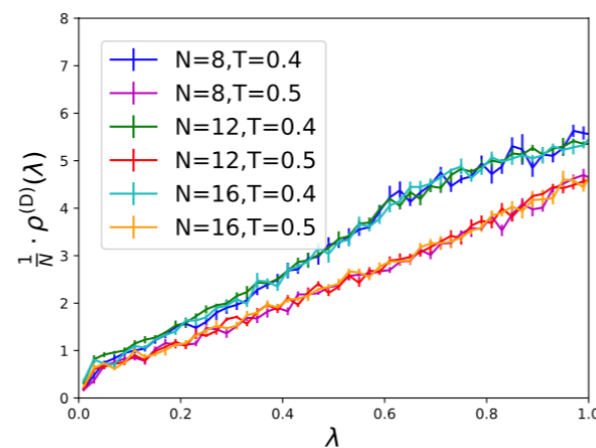
- 't Hooft anomaly matching
→ chiral symmetry has to be broken in confined phase
- Anomaly matching is required at any energy scale



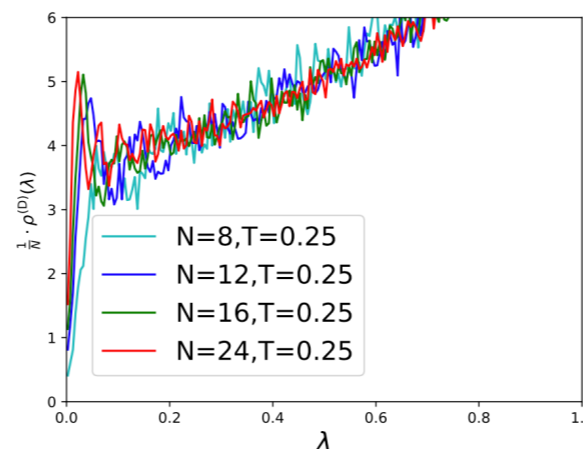
Chiral symmetry (1)

- Strong-coupling lattice YM + probe fermion (naive fermion with doublers)
- Eguchi Kawai equivalence \rightarrow single-site model can be used
- Banks-Casher relation: chiral condensate $\propto \rho_{\text{Dirac}}(0)$

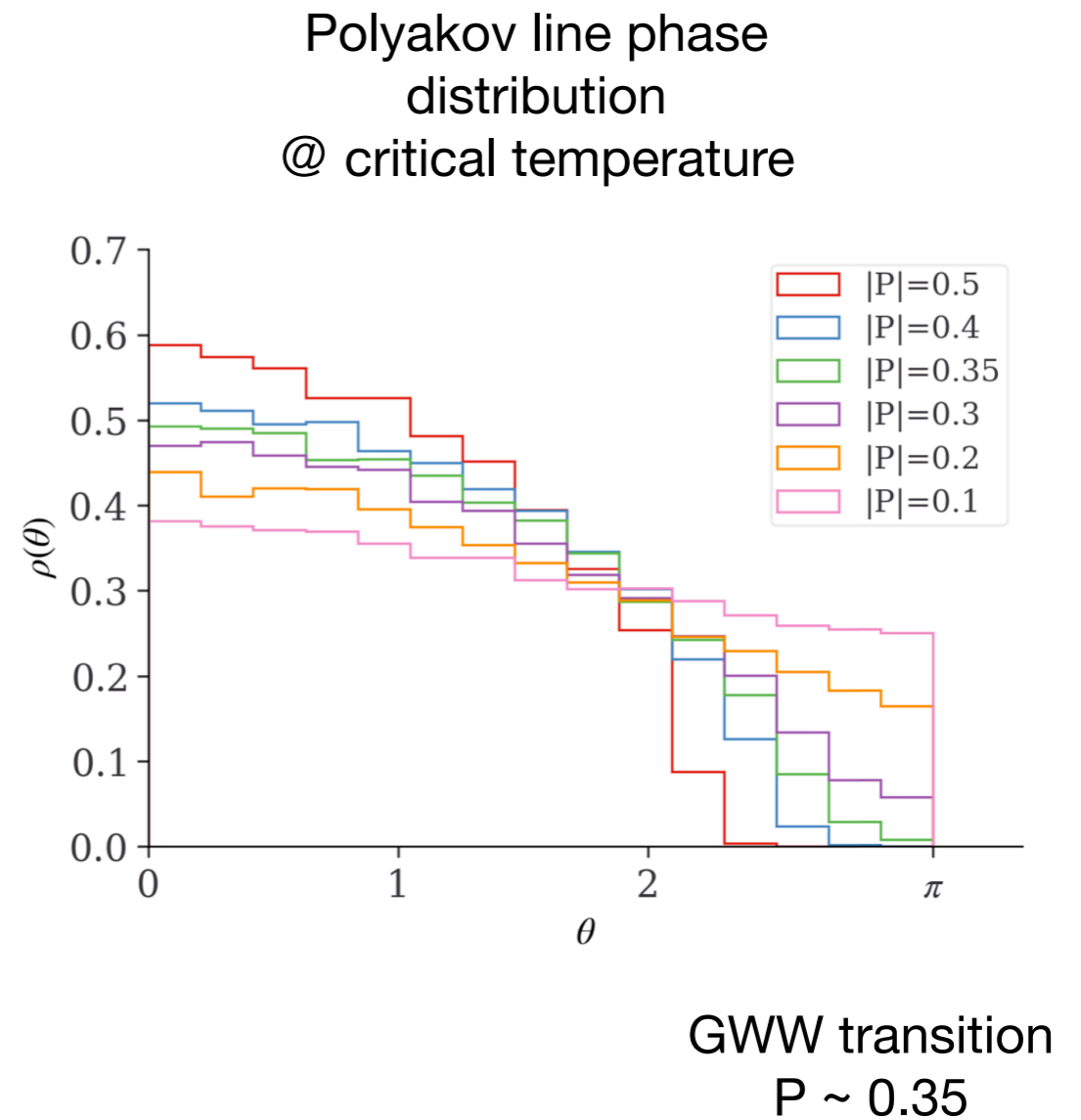
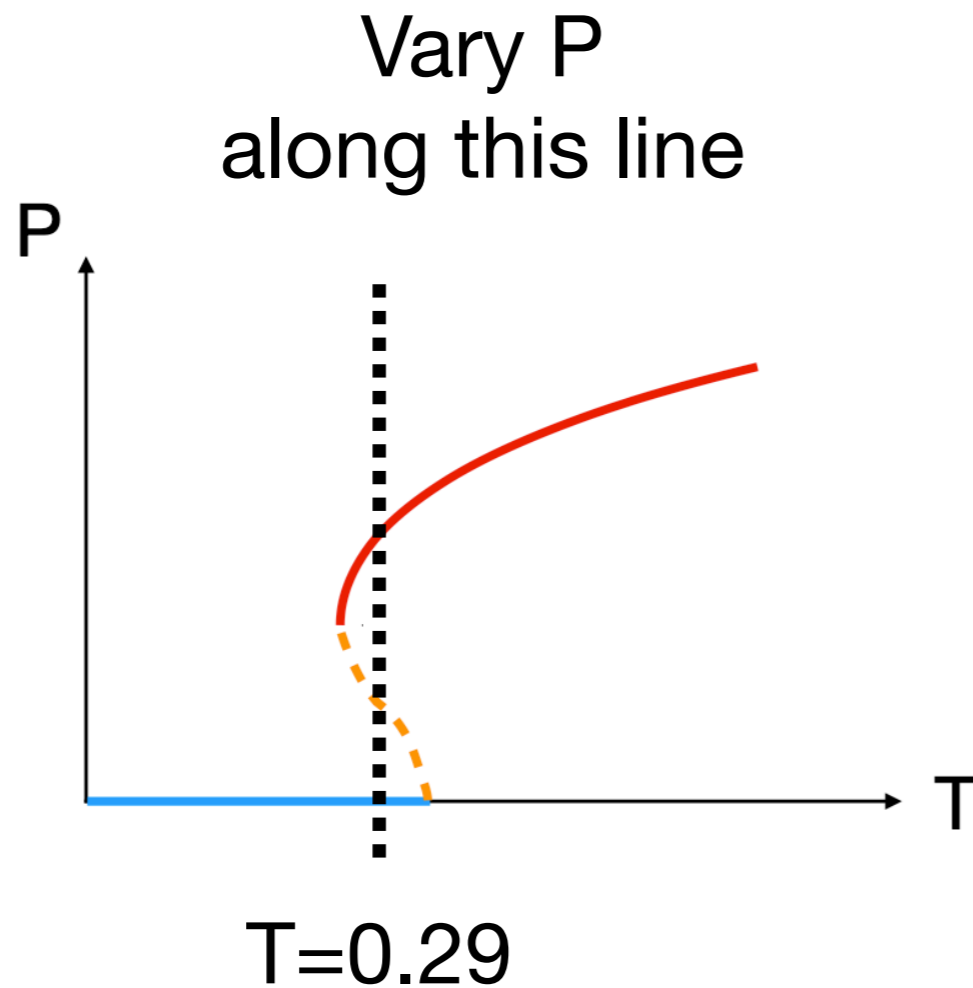
Completely-deconfined
(high T)



Completely-confined
(low T)

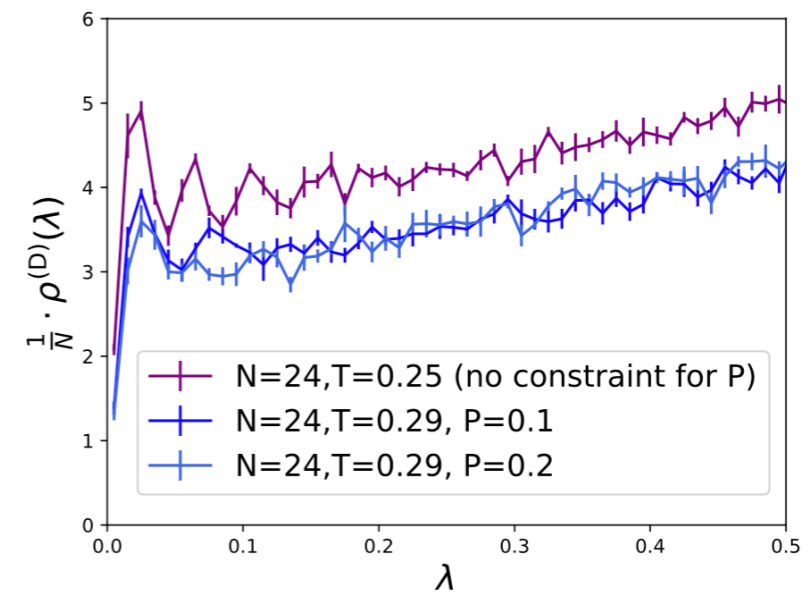
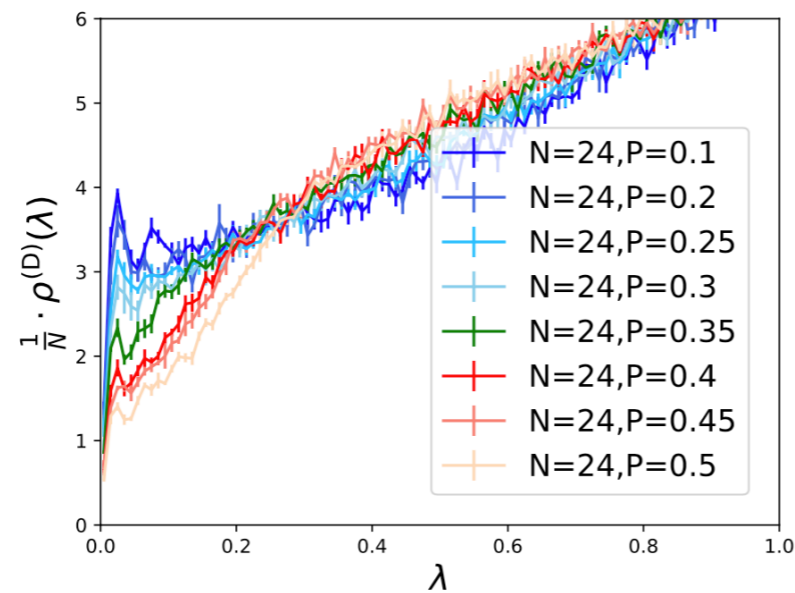


Chiral symmetry (2)



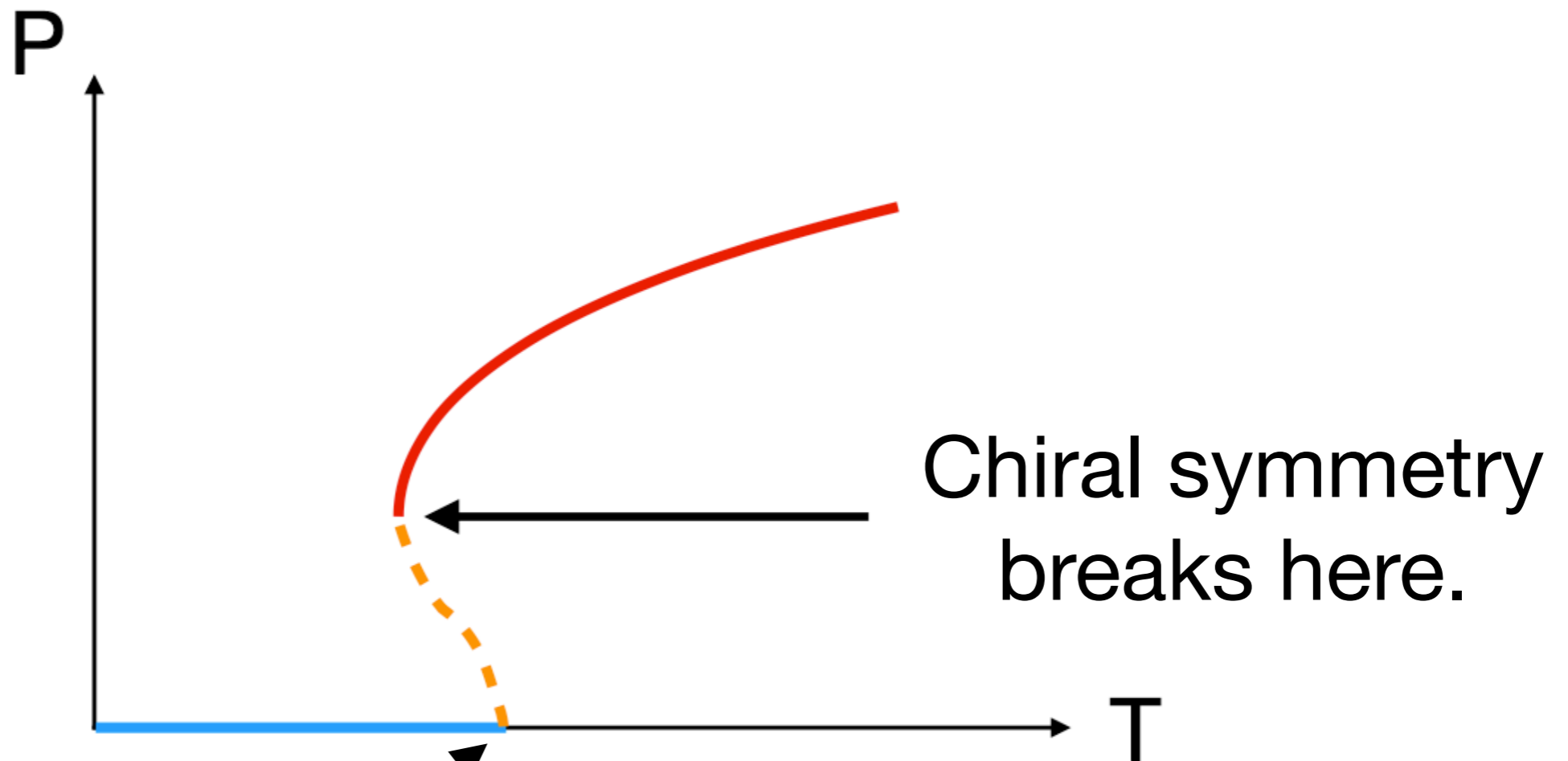
Chiral symmetry (3)

Dirac eigenvalue
distribution
@ critical temperature



GWW transition
 $P \sim 0.35$

Chiral symmetry (3)



Center symmetry
breaks here.

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CP symmetry (1)

4d $N=1$ SYM on $R^3 \times S^1$

$$\int d^4x \left(\frac{1}{4g^2} \text{tr}(F F) - \frac{i\theta}{8\pi^2} \text{tr}(F \tilde{F}) + \frac{2i}{g^2} \text{tr}(\bar{\lambda} \bar{\sigma}^\mu D_\mu \lambda) \right)$$

- pbc for bosons and fermions
- Add soft mass for gluino

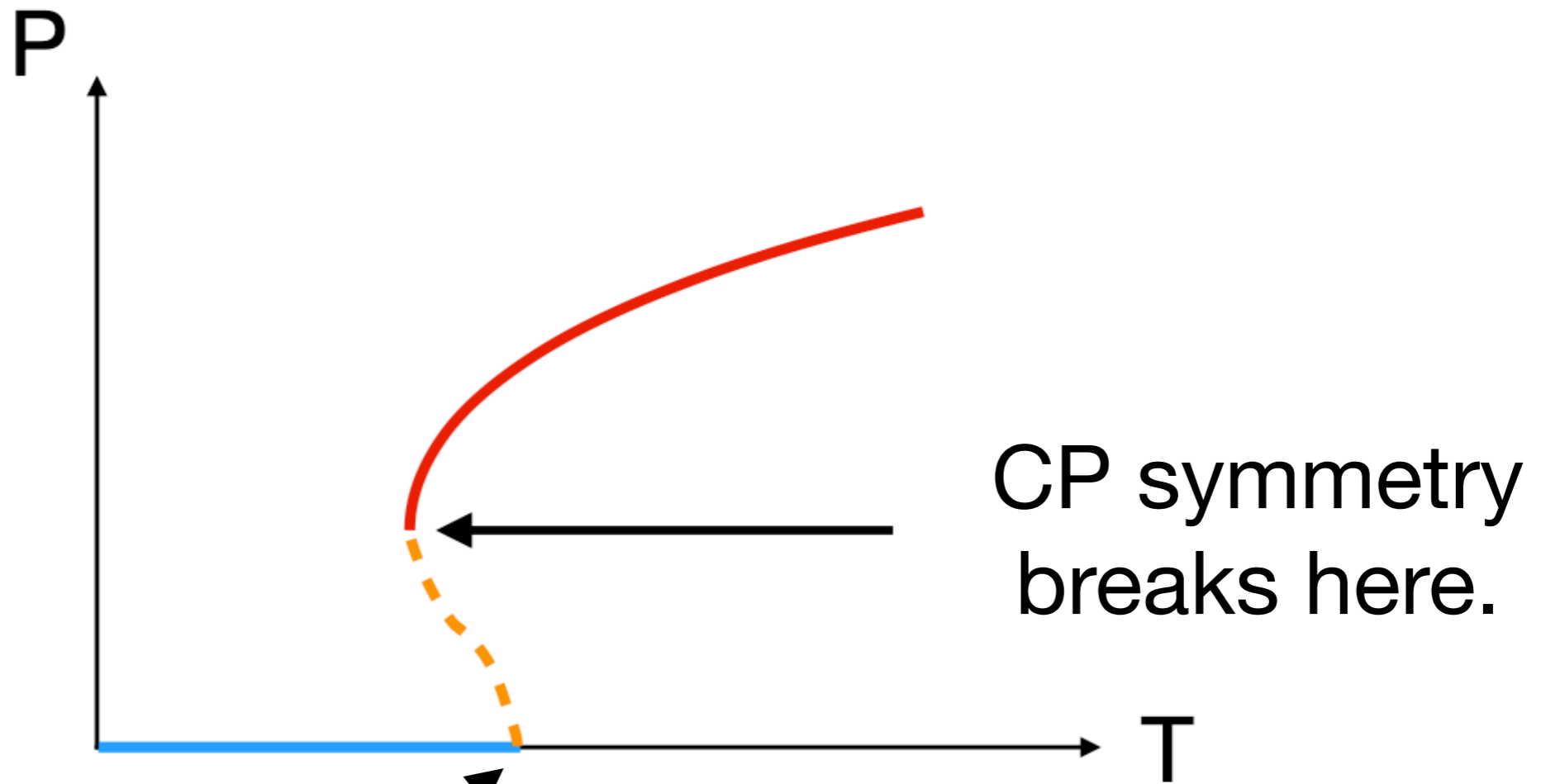
→ analytically controllable at very small S^1 radius

Poppitz, Schaefer, Unsal 2012

- Spontaneous CP breaking at $\theta = \pi$

CP symmetry (2)

We will see:



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CP symmetry (3)

outline of the derivation

- Effective action in terms of Polyakov loop phases is known

Poppitz, Schaefer, Unsal 2012

minimum/maximum of effective potential = minimum/maximum of free energy

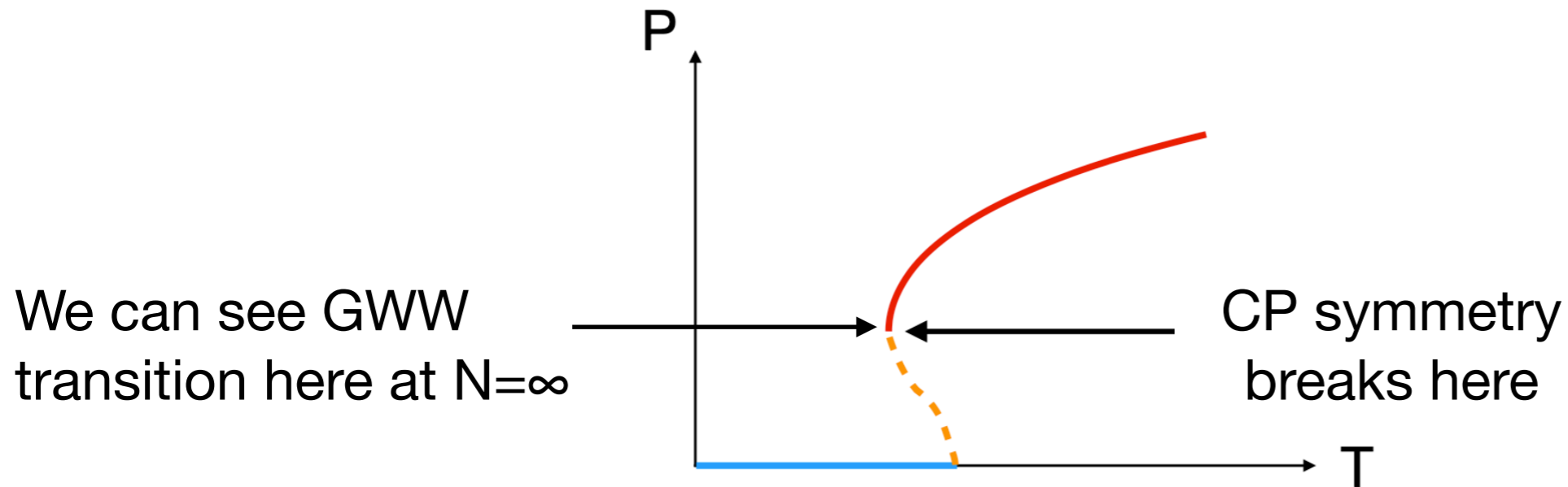
- Completely deconfined phase and completely confined phase were studied before

Chen, Fukushima, Nishimura, Tanizaki 2020

- Partially deconfined phase can be studied numerically

MH-Holden-Knaggs-O'Bannon, 2021 (hep-th, to appear)

CP symmetry (4)

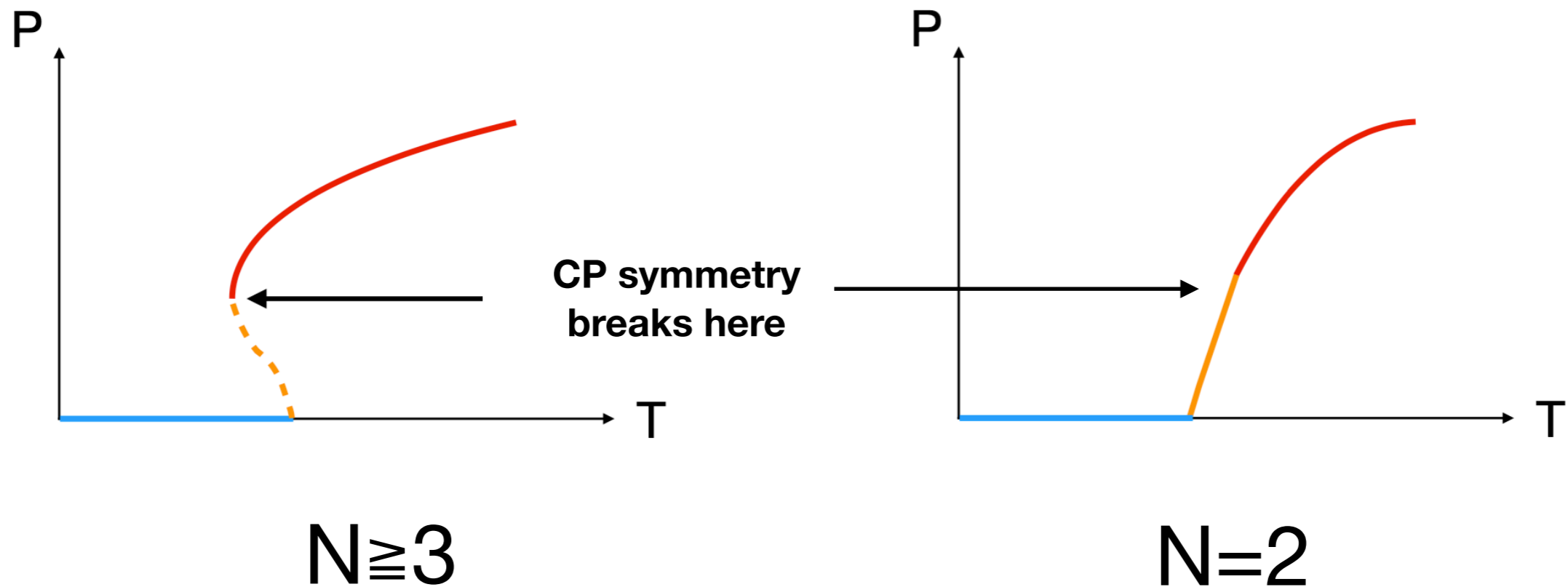


$$N \geq 3$$

(explicit calculation was done for N=30, 50, 70, 100 and ∞)

CP symmetry (5)

Our results are consistent with:



A natural guess obtained by combining
Chen, Fukushima, Nishimura, Tanizaki 2020,
and MH-Holden-Knaggs-O'Bannon, 2021

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- Global symmetry breaks at the onset of confinement
-- at least in the examples studied so far.
- How about in real-world QCD? I believe it's OK,
but more efforts are required.
- Linear confinement in the confined sector?
In progress, stay tuned.
- Application to superstring theory is even more fun!
Close connection to the emergent geometry.