

# ***Relativistic BCS-BEC Crossover in Quark Matter***

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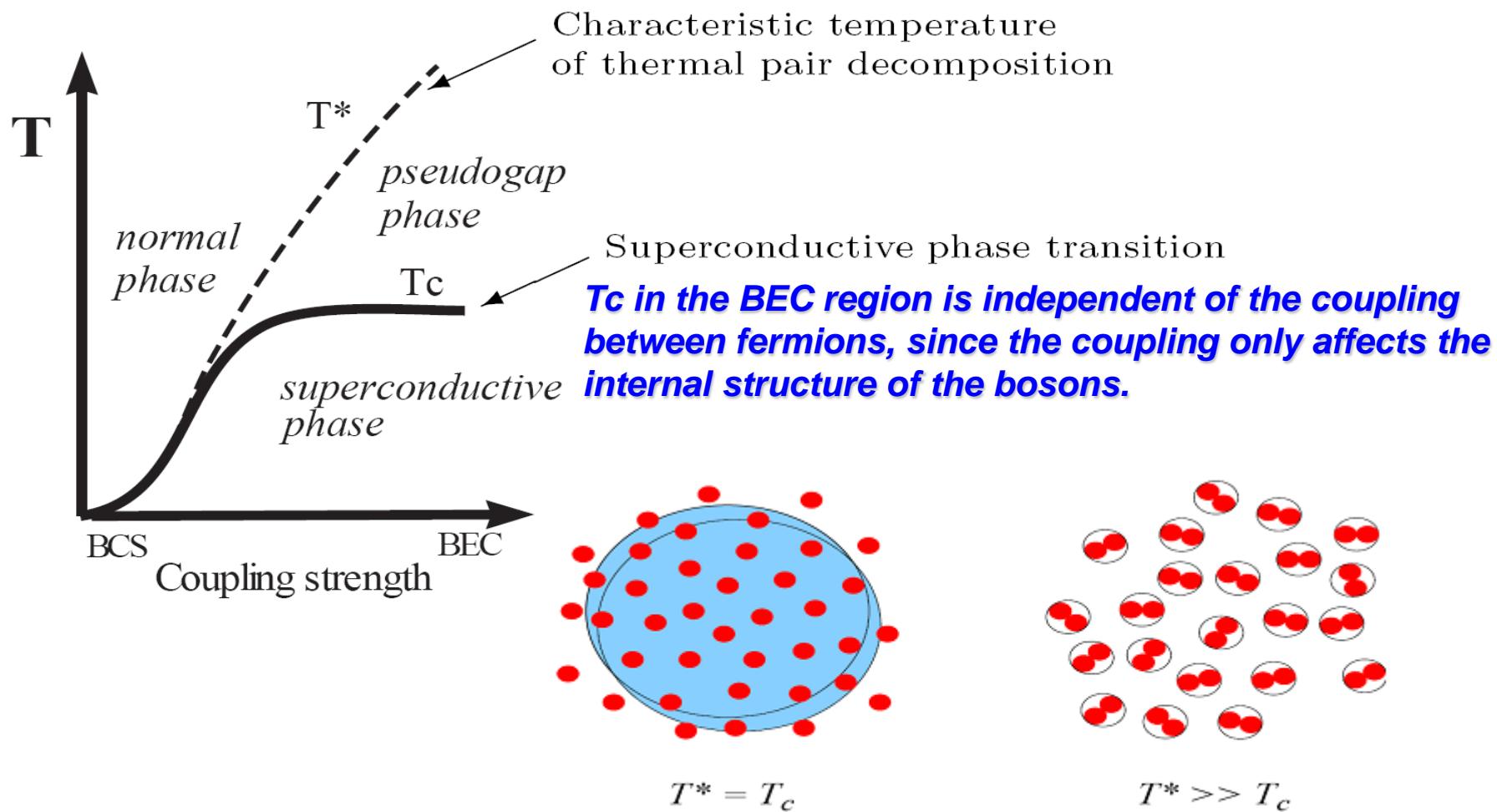
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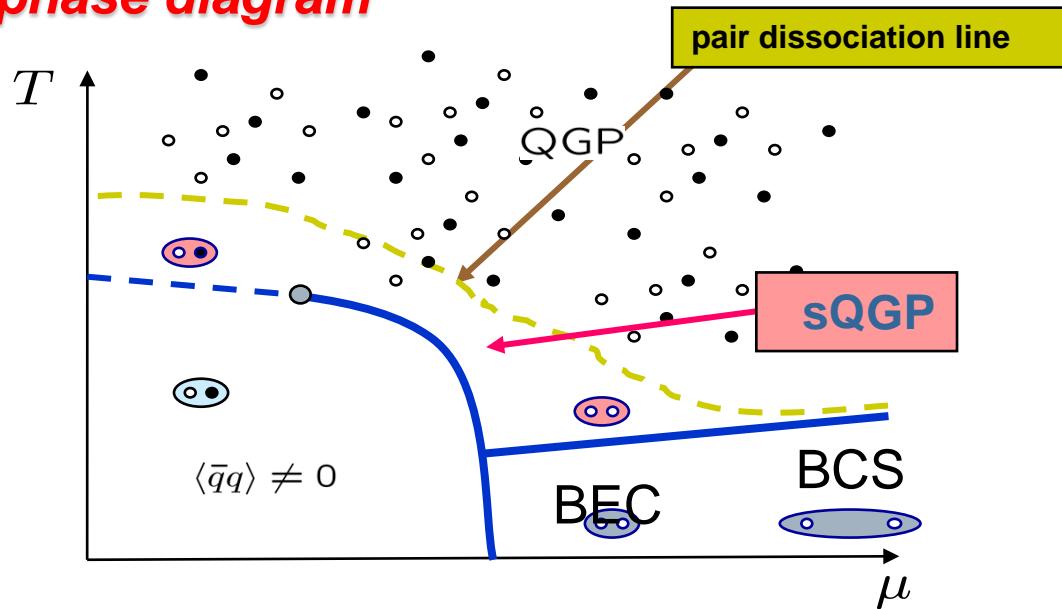
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# Introduction: Pairing



*in BCS,  $T_c$  is determined by thermal excitation of fermions,  
in BEC,  $T_c$  is controlled by thermal excitation of collective modes*

## QCD phase diagram



**strongly coupled quark matter with both quarks and bosons**

**there may exist BCS-BEC crossovers in quark matter !**

**new phenomena in BCS-BEC crossover of QCD:**  
**relativistic systems,**  
**anti-fermion contribution,**  
**rich inner structure (color, flavor),**  
**medium dependent mass, .....**

- \*) non-relativistic mean field theory at  $T=0$  (Leggett, 1980)
- \*) non-relativistic theory at  $T \neq 0$  (Nozieres and Schmitt-Rink, 1985)  
extension to relativistic system (Nishida and Abuki (2006,2007))

$$\Omega_{fl} = \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \ln \left[ \frac{1}{G} - \chi(q) \right], \quad \chi = \text{---} \sim G_0 G_0$$

- \*) non-relativistic  $G_0G$  scheme (Chen, Levin et al., 1998, 2000, 2005)  
asymmetric pair susceptibility

$$\chi = \text{---} \sim G_0 G$$

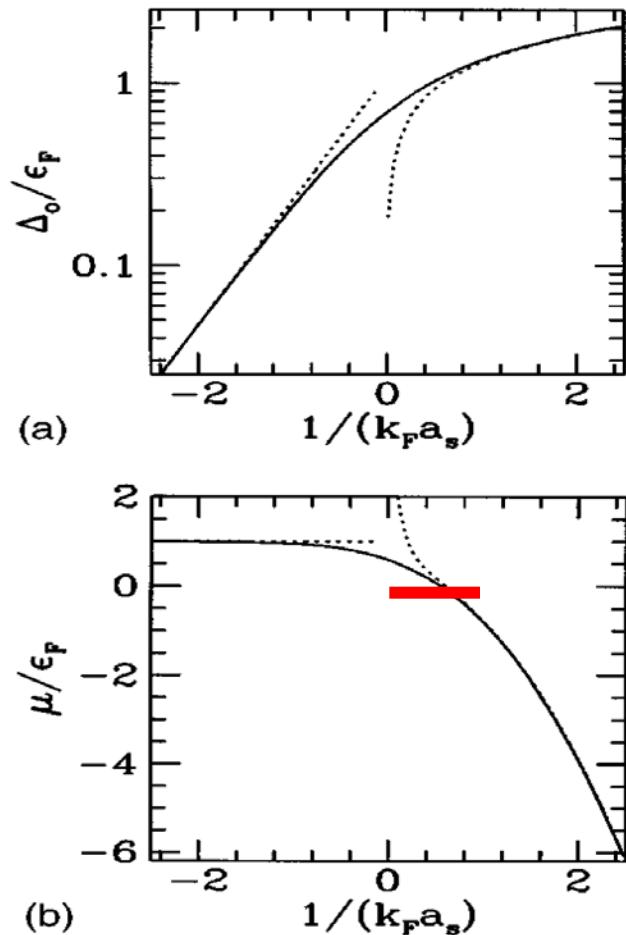
extension to relativistic  $G_0G$  scheme (He, Jin, PZ, 2006, 2007)

- \*) bose-fermion model (Friedberg, Lee, 1989, 1990)  
extension to relativistic systems (Deng, Wang, 2007)

- \*) Kitazawa, Rischke, Shovkovy, 2007, NJL+phase diagram  
Brauner, 2008, collective excitations .....

A.J.Leggett, 1980

*universality behavior*



BCS limit

$$\eta = \frac{1}{k_F a_s} \rightarrow -\infty, \quad \tilde{\Delta} = \frac{8}{e^2} e^{2\eta/\pi}, \quad \hat{\mu} = 1$$

BEC limit

$$\eta \rightarrow \infty, \quad \tilde{\Delta} = \sqrt{\frac{16\eta}{3\pi}}, \quad \hat{\mu} = -\eta^2$$

$$\mu = -\frac{\varepsilon_b}{2}, \quad \varepsilon_b = \frac{1}{ma_s^2}$$

$$n(p) = \frac{1}{e^{(\varepsilon - \mu)/T} - 1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu \leq 0$$

BCS-BEC crossover

$$\eta < 0 \rightarrow \eta > 0,$$

$$\text{small } \Delta \rightarrow \text{large } \Delta,$$

$$\mu > 0 \rightarrow \mu < 0$$

## NJL-type model at moderate density

$$L = \bar{\psi} \left( i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m \right) \psi + \frac{g}{4} \left( \bar{\psi} i\gamma_5 C \bar{\psi}^T \right) \left( \psi^T iC \gamma_5 \psi \right)$$

**order parameter**

$$\Delta = \frac{g}{2} \langle \psi^T iC \gamma_5 \psi \rangle$$

**mean field thermodynamic potential**

$$\Omega = \frac{\Delta^2}{g} - \int \frac{d^3 \vec{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \left[ E_k^+ + E_k^- - \xi_k^+ - \xi_k^- \right]$$

$$E_k^\pm = \sqrt{\left( \xi_k^\pm \right)^2 + \Delta^2}$$

$$\xi_k^\pm = \sqrt{k^2 + m^2} \pm \mu$$

**fermion and anti-fermion contributions**

**gap equation and number equation:**

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{\pi}{2} \eta = \int_0^z dx x^2 \left[ \left( \frac{1}{E_x^-} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_x - 2\xi^{-2}} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{E_x^+} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_x + 2\xi^{-2}} \right) \right] \\ \frac{2}{3} = \int_0^z dx x^2 \left[ \left( 1 - \frac{\xi_x^-}{E_x^-} \right) - \left( 1 - \frac{\xi_x^+}{E_x^+} \right) \right] \end{cases}$$

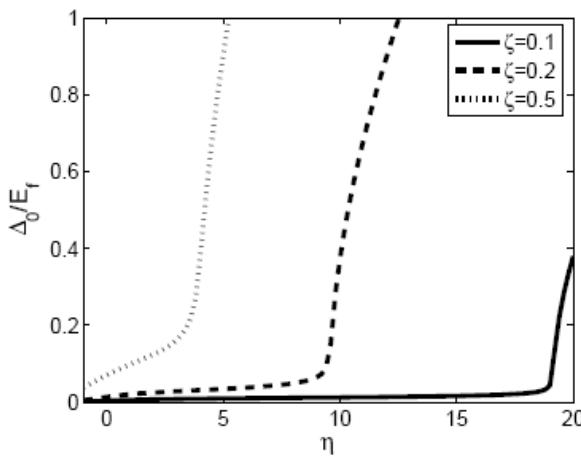
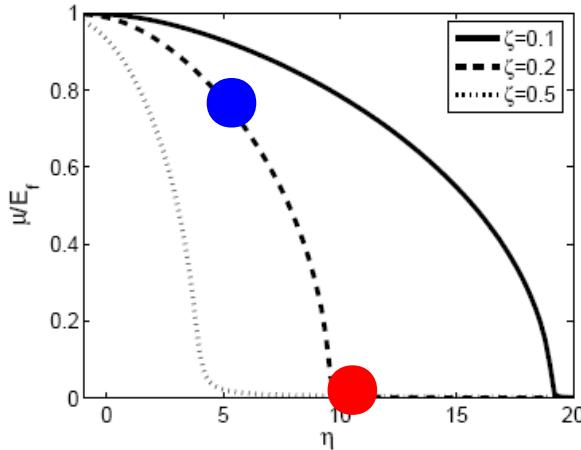
$$\eta = \frac{1}{k_F a_s}, \quad \xi = \frac{k_F}{m}$$

**broken universality**  
**extra density dependence**

$\mu - m$  plays the role of non-relativistic chemical potential

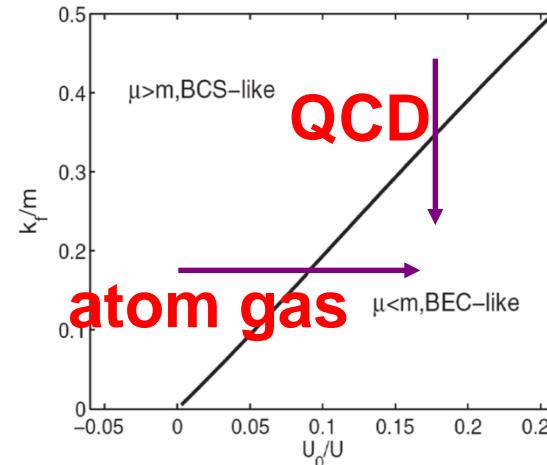
$\mu - m = 0$ : BCS-NBEC crossover ●

$\mu = 0$ : fermion and anti-fermion degenerate,  
NBEC-RBEC crossover ●



in non-relativistic case, there is only one variable  $\eta = 1/k_F \alpha_s$ , changing the density can not induce a BCS-BEC crossover.

however, in relativistic case, the extra density dependence  $\xi = k_F / m$  may induce a BCS-BEC.



# Fluctuations: $G_0G$ Scheme



Lianyi He, PZ, 2007

**bare fermion propagator**

$$G_0^{-1}(k, \mu) = (k_0 + \mu)\gamma_0 - \vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{k} - m$$

**mean field fermion propagator**

$$G^{-1}(k, \mu) = G_0^{-1}(k, \mu) - \Sigma_{mf}(k)$$

**pair propagator**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{———} &= \text{---} \frac{g/2}{G_0} \text{---} + \text{---} \frac{G_0}{G} \text{---} \text{---} + \text{---} \frac{G_0}{G} \text{---} \frac{G_0}{G} \text{---} \text{---} + \dots \\ &= \frac{i g}{1 - g \text{———}} \end{aligned}$$

**pair feedback to the fermion self-energy**

$$\Sigma(k) = \Sigma_{mf}(k) + \Sigma_{fl}(k) = \text{———} + \text{———}$$

**fermions and pairs are coupled to each other**

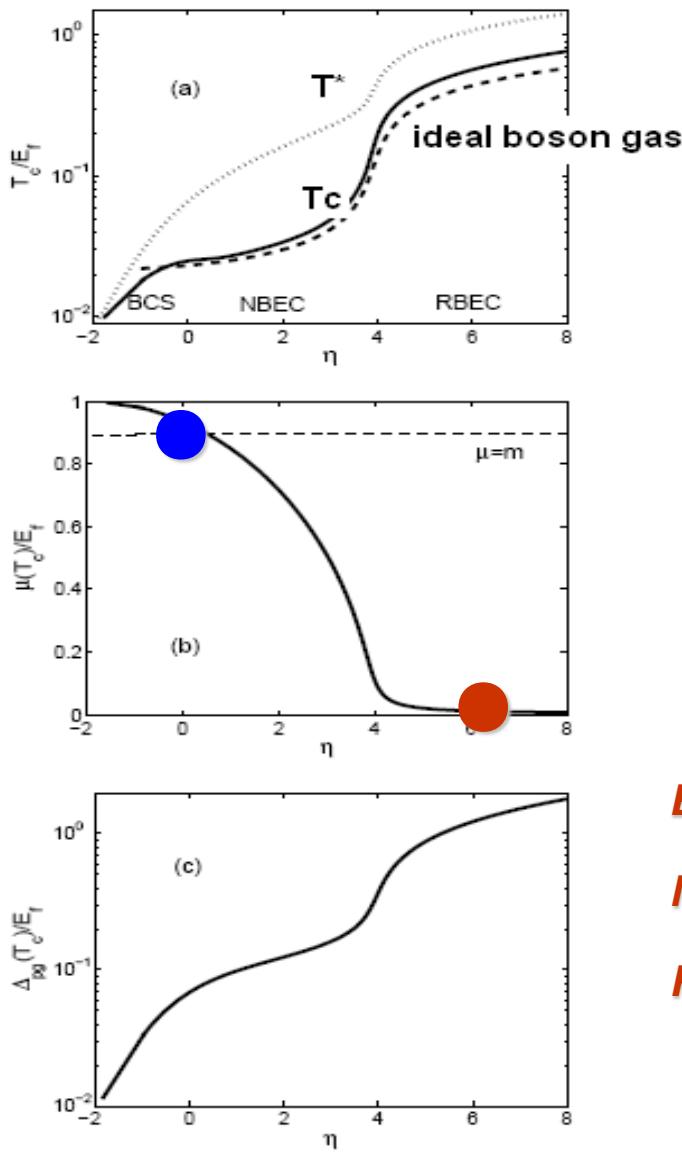
**approximation**

$$\Sigma_{fl}(k) \simeq -\Delta_{pg}^2 G_0(-k, \mu)$$

**the pseudogap is related to the uncondensed pairs,  
in  $G_0G$  scheme the pseudogap does not change the symmetry structure**

# Fluctuations: BCS-NBEC-RBEC

Lianyi He, PZ, 2007



$T_c$  : critical temperature

$T^*$  : pair dissociation temperature

$T < T_c$  :  $\Delta \neq 0, \Delta_{pg} \neq 0$ ,

condensed phase

$T_c < T < T^*$  :  $\Delta = 0, \Delta_{pg} \neq 0$ ,

normal phase with both fermions and pairs

$T > T^*$  :  $\Delta = 0, \Delta_{pg} = 0$

normal phase with only fermions

**BCS:**  $\eta < 0, \mu > m$  **no pairs**

**NBEC:**  $0 < \eta < m/k_F, 0 < \mu < m$  **heavy pairs, no anti-pairs**

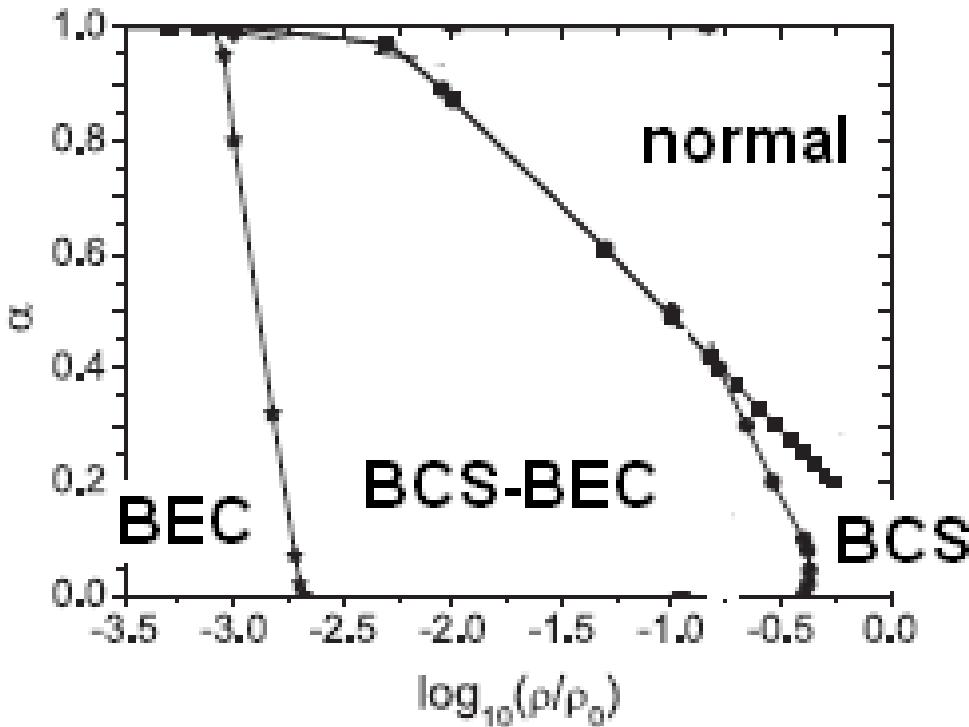
**RBEC:**  $\eta > m/k_F, \mu \sim 0$  **light pairs, almost the same number of pairs and anti-pairs**

Shijun Mao, Xuguang Huang, PZ, 2009

**asymmetric nuclear matter with both np and nn and pp pairings density-dependent contact interaction (Garrido et al, 1999)**

$$V(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = v \left( 1 - \eta \left\{ \frac{\rho[(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}')/2)]}{\rho_0} \right\}^r \right) \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'),$$

**and density-dependent nucleon mass (Berger, Girod, Gogny, 1991)**



**by calculating the three coupled gap equations, there exists only np pairing BEC state at low density and no nn and pp pairing BEC states.**

**order parameters of spontaneous chiral and color symmetry breaking**

$$\sigma = \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle \quad \Delta = \Delta^3 = \langle \bar{\psi}_{i\alpha}^C \epsilon^{ij} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} i\gamma_5 \psi_{j\beta} \rangle \quad \text{color breaking from } SU(3) \text{ to } SU(2)$$

**quarks at mean field and mesons and diquarks at RPA**

**quark propagator in 12D Nambu-Gorkov space**

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{u1} \\ \psi_{d2}^C \\ \psi_{d2} \\ \psi_{u1}^C \\ \psi_{d1} \\ \psi_{u2} \\ \psi_{u2} \\ \psi_{d1}^C \\ \psi_{u3} \\ \psi_{u3}^C \\ \psi_{d3} \\ \psi_{d3}^C \end{pmatrix} \quad \bar{\Psi} = \left( \bar{\psi}_{u1} \quad \bar{\psi}_{d2}^C \quad \bar{\psi}_{d2} \quad \bar{\psi}_{u1}^C \quad \bar{\psi}_{d1} \quad \bar{\psi}_{u2}^C \quad \bar{\psi}_{u2} \quad \bar{\psi}_{d1}^C \quad \bar{\psi}_{u3}^C \quad \bar{\psi}_{d3} \quad \bar{\psi}_{d3}^C \right)$$

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} S_A & & & & & \\ & S_B & & & & \\ & & S_C & & & \\ & & & S_D & & \\ & & & & S_E & \\ & & & & & S_F \end{pmatrix} \quad S_I = \begin{pmatrix} G_I^+ & \Xi_I^- \\ \Xi_I^+ & G_I^- \end{pmatrix} \quad I = A, B, C, D, E, F$$

$$E_k = \sqrt{\vec{k}^2 + M_q^2} \quad M_q = m_0 - 2G_S \sigma$$

$$E_\Delta^\pm = \sqrt{(E_k \pm \mu)^2 + (2G_D \Delta)^2}$$

**diquark & meson polarizations**


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(a)  $\Pi_D$

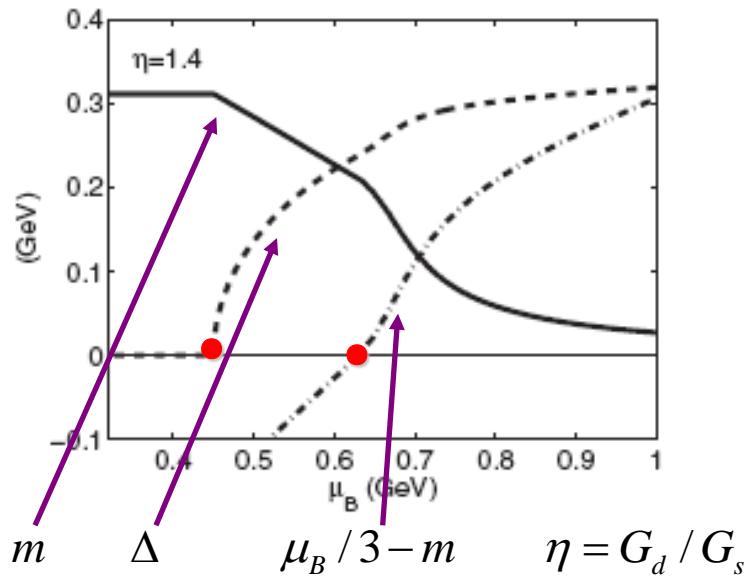


(b)  $\Pi_M$

Lianyi He, PZ, 2007

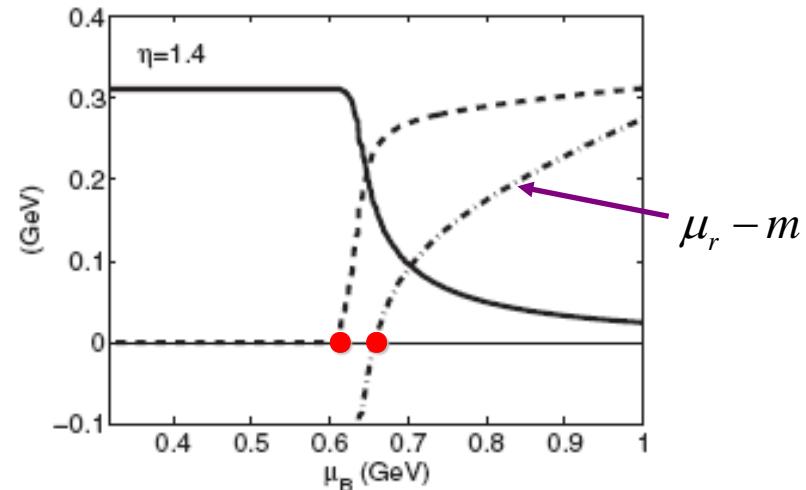
**gap equations for chiral and diquark condensates at  $T=0$**

$$\begin{cases} m - m_0 = 8G_s m \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{E_p} \left[ \frac{E_k - \mu_B/3}{E_\Delta^-} + \frac{E_k + \mu_B/3}{E_\Delta^+} + \Theta(E_k - \mu_B/3) \right] \\ \Delta = 8G_d \Delta \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \left[ \frac{1}{E_\Delta^-} + \frac{1}{E_\Delta^+} \right] \end{cases}$$



**to guarantee color neutrality, we introduce color chemical potential:**

$$\mu_r = \mu_g = \mu_B/3 + \mu_8/3, \quad \mu_b = \mu_B/3 - 2\mu_8/3$$



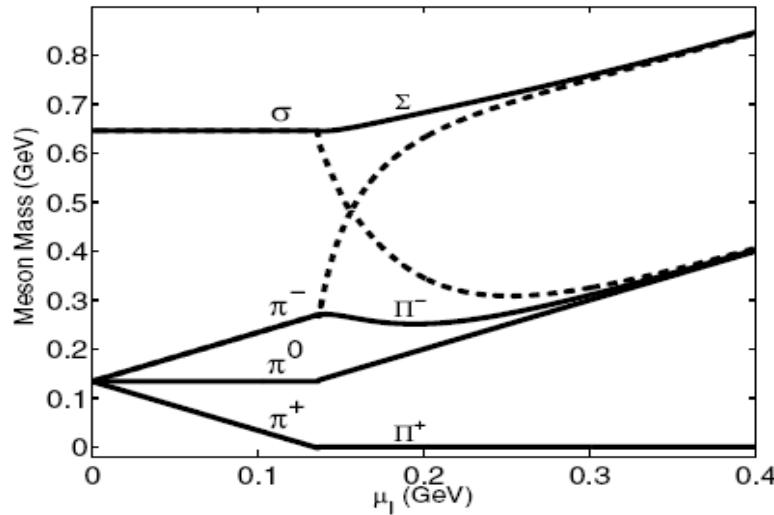
**color neutrality speeds up the chiral restoration and reduces the BEC region**

**there exists a BCS-BEC crossover**

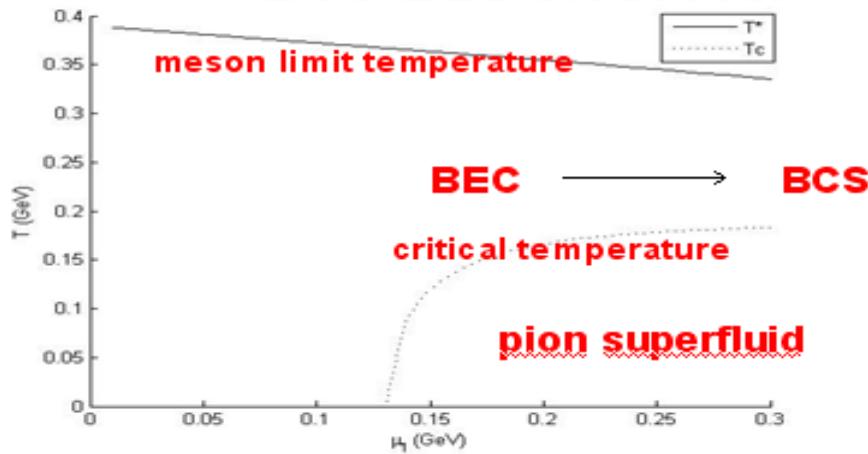
# BCS-BEC in Pion Superfluidity



**meson mass, Goldstone mode**



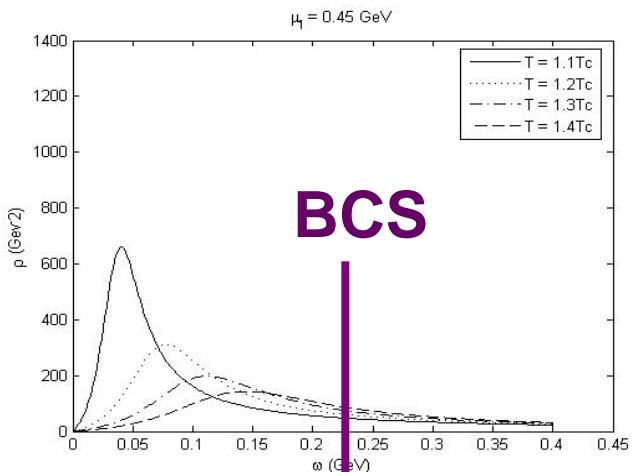
**BCS-BEC crossover**



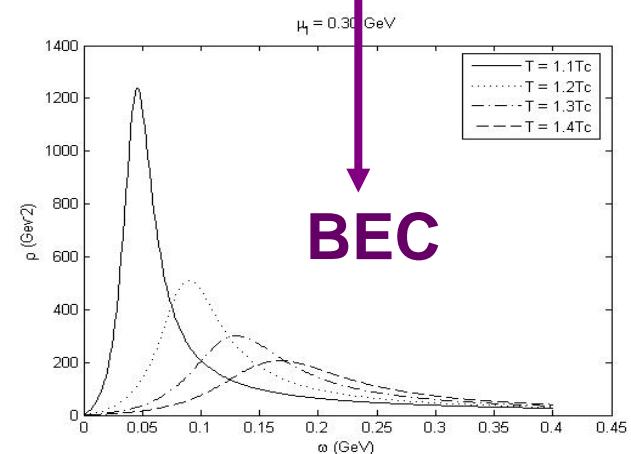
**Gaofeng Sun, Lianyi He, PZ, 2007**

**meson spectra function**

$$\rho(\omega, \vec{k}) = -2 \operatorname{Im} D(\omega, \vec{k})$$



**BCS**



**BEC**

- \* ***BCS-BEC crossover is a general phenomena from cold atom gas to quark matter.***
- \* ***BCS-BEC crossover is closely related to the QCD key problems: vacuum, color symmetry, chiral symmetry, isospin symmetry .....***
- \* ***BCS-BEC crossover in color superconductivity and pion superfluidity is not induced by simply increasing the coupling constant of the attractive interaction, but by changing the corresponding charge number.***
- \* ***there are potential applications in heavy ion collisions (at CSR/Lanzhou, FAIR/GSI, NICA/JINR and RHIC/BNL) and compact stars.***

*thanks for your patience*

# *backups*

## vector-meson coupling

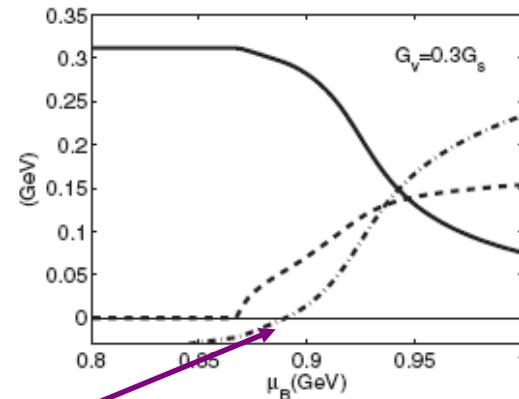
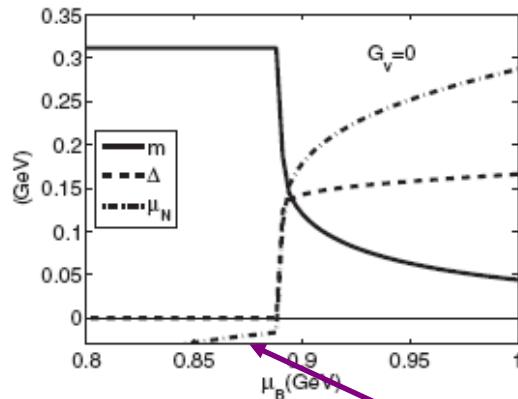
$$L_V = -G_V \left[ (\bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \psi)^2 + (\bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \tau \psi)^2 \right]$$

## vector condensate

$$\rho_V = 2G_V \langle \bar{\psi} \gamma_0 \psi \rangle$$

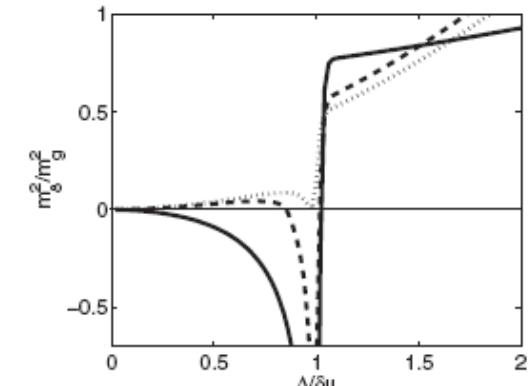
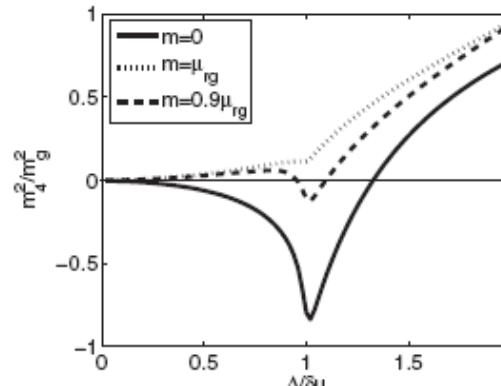
## gap equation

$$\rho_V = 8G_V \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \left[ \frac{E_k + \mu_B/3}{E_+^+} - \frac{E_k - \mu_B/3}{E_\Delta^-} + \Theta(-E_k + \mu_B/3) \right]$$

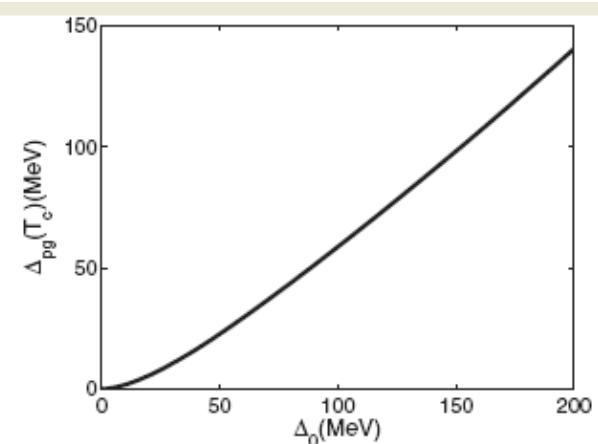
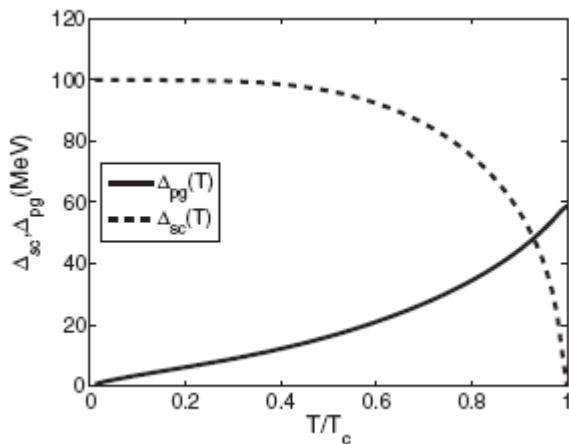
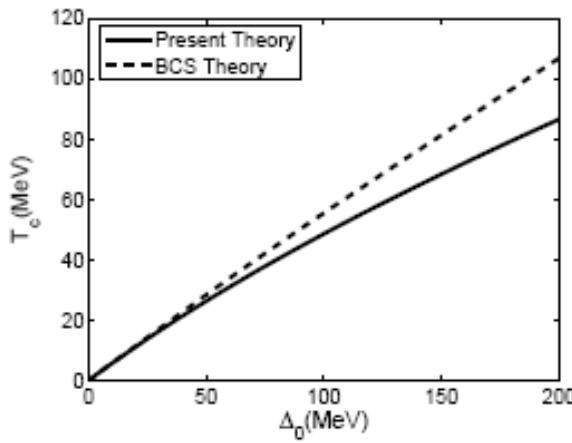


$$\eta = 1$$

**vector meson coupling slows down the chiral symmetry restoration and enlarges the BEC region.**



**Meissner masses of some gluons are negative for the BCS Gapless CSC, but the magnetic instability is cured in BEC region.**



$\Delta_0 = \Delta(T = 0)$  **is determined by the coupling and chemical potential**

$$\Delta_0 = 100 - 200 \text{ MeV} \leftrightarrow \mu_q = 300 - 500 \text{ MeV}$$

- **going beyond mean field reduces the critical temperature of color superconductivity**
- **pairing effect is important around the critical temperature and dominates the symmetry restored phase**

## NJL with isospin symmetry breaking

$$L_{NJL} = \bar{\psi} \left( i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m_0 + \mu \gamma_0 \right) \psi + G \left( (\bar{\psi} \psi)^2 + (\bar{\psi} i\tau_i \gamma_5 \psi)^2 \right)$$

## quark chemical potentials

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_u & 0 \\ 0 & \mu_d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_B/3 + \mu_I/2 & 0 \\ 0 & \mu_B/3 - \mu_I/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

## chiral and pion condensates with finite pair momentum

$$\sigma = \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle = \sigma_u + \sigma_d, \quad \sigma_u = \langle \bar{u} u \rangle, \quad \sigma_d = \langle \bar{d} d \rangle$$

$$\pi_+ = \sqrt{2} \langle \bar{u} i\gamma_5 d \rangle = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} e^{2i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{x}}, \quad \pi_- = \sqrt{2} \langle \bar{d} i\gamma_5 u \rangle = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-2i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{x}}$$

## quark propagator in MF

$$S^{-1}(p, \vec{q}) = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma^\mu p_\mu - \vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{q} + \mu_u \gamma_0 - m & 2iG\pi\gamma_5 \\ 2iG\pi\gamma_5 & \gamma^\mu k_\mu + \vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{q} + \mu_d \gamma_0 - m \end{pmatrix} \quad m = m_0 - 2G\sigma$$

## thermodynamic potential and gap equations:

$$\Omega = G(\sigma^2 + \pi^2) - \frac{T}{V} \text{Tr} \ln S^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \sigma_u} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial \sigma_u^2} \geq 0, \quad \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \sigma_d} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial \sigma_d^2} \geq 0, \quad \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \pi} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial \pi^2} \geq 0, \quad \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial q} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial q^2} \geq 0$$

## **meson propagator $D$ at RPA**

$$\text{Diagram: } \text{A loop with two external lines} \simeq \text{Diagram: } \text{A cross} + \text{Diagram: } \text{A loop with one internal line} + \dots = \frac{\text{Diagram: } \text{A cross}}{1 - \text{Diagram: } \text{A loop with one internal line}}$$

**considering all possible channels in the bubble summation**

## **meson polarization functions**

$$\Pi_{mn}(k) = i \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{Tr} \left( \Gamma_m^* S(p+k) \Gamma_n S(p) \right)$$

$$\Gamma_m = \begin{cases} 1, & m = \sigma \\ i\tau_+ \gamma_5, & m = \pi_+ \\ i\tau_- \gamma_5, & m = \pi_- \\ i\tau_3 \gamma_5, & m = \pi_0 \end{cases}$$

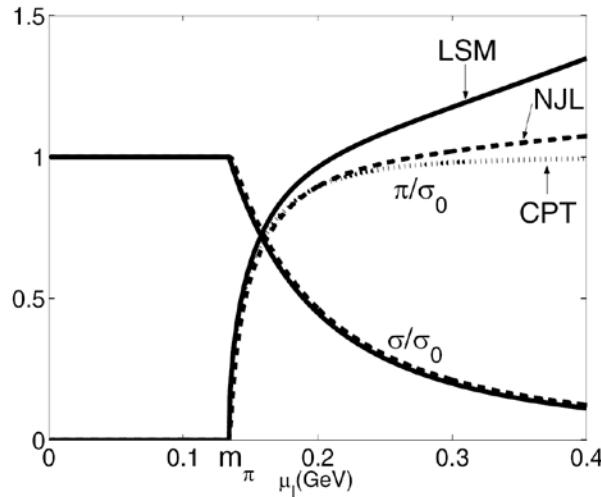
**pole of the propagator determines meson masses  $M_m$**

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 2G\Gamma_{\sigma\sigma}(k) & -2G\Gamma_{\sigma\pi_+}(k) & -2G\Gamma_{\sigma\pi_-}(k) & -2G\Gamma_{\sigma\pi_0}(k) \\ -2G\Gamma_{\pi_+\sigma}(k) & 1 - 2G\Gamma_{\pi_+\pi_+}(k) & -2G\Gamma_{\pi_+\pi_-}(k) & -2G\Gamma_{\pi_+\pi_0}(k) \\ -2G\Gamma_{\pi_-\sigma}(k) & -2G\Gamma_{\pi_-\pi_+}(k) & 1 - 2G\Gamma_{\pi_-\pi_-}(k) & -2G\Gamma_{\pi_-\pi_0}(k) \\ -2G\Gamma_{\pi_0\sigma}(k) & -2G\Gamma_{\pi_0\pi_+}(k) & -2G\Gamma_{\pi_0\pi_-}(k) & 1 - 2G\Gamma_{\pi_0\pi_0}(k) \end{pmatrix}_{k_0=M_m, \vec{k}=0} = 0$$

**mixing among normal  $\sigma, \pi_+, \pi_-$  in pion superfluid phase,**

**the new eigen modes  $\bar{\sigma}, \bar{\pi}_+, \bar{\pi}_-$  are linear combinations of  $\sigma, \pi_+, \pi_-$**

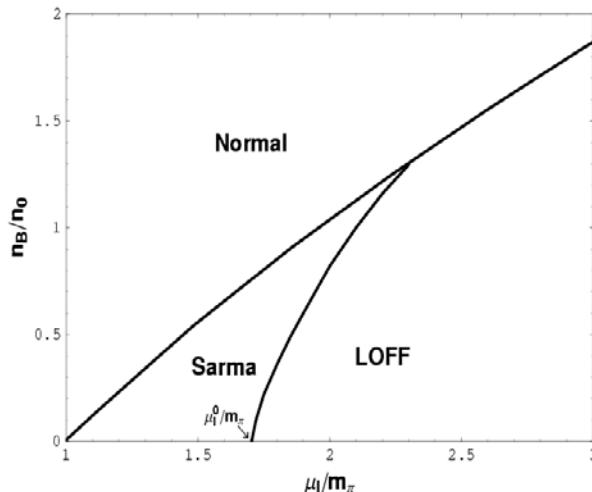
# phase diagram of pion superfluid



**chiral and pion condensates at  $T = \mu_B = \vec{q} = 0$  in NJL, Linear Sigma Model and Chiral Perturbation Theory, there is no remarkable difference around the critical point.**

**analytic result:  
critical isospin chemical potential for pion superfluidity is exactly the pion mass in the vacuum:**

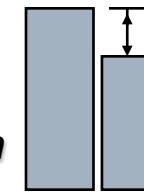
$$\mu_I^c = m_\pi$$



**pion superfluidity phase diagram in  $\mu_I - \mu_B$  plane at  $T=0$**

$\mu_I$ : average Fermi surface

$\mu_B(n_B)$ : Fermi surface mismatch



**homogeneous (Sarma,  $\vec{q} = 0$ ) and inhomogeneous pion superfluid (LOFF,  $\vec{q} \neq 0$ )**

**magnetic instability of Sarma state at high average Fermi surface leads to the LOFF state**