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# Electrical Conductivity of QGP in Strong Magnetic Field

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# Outline

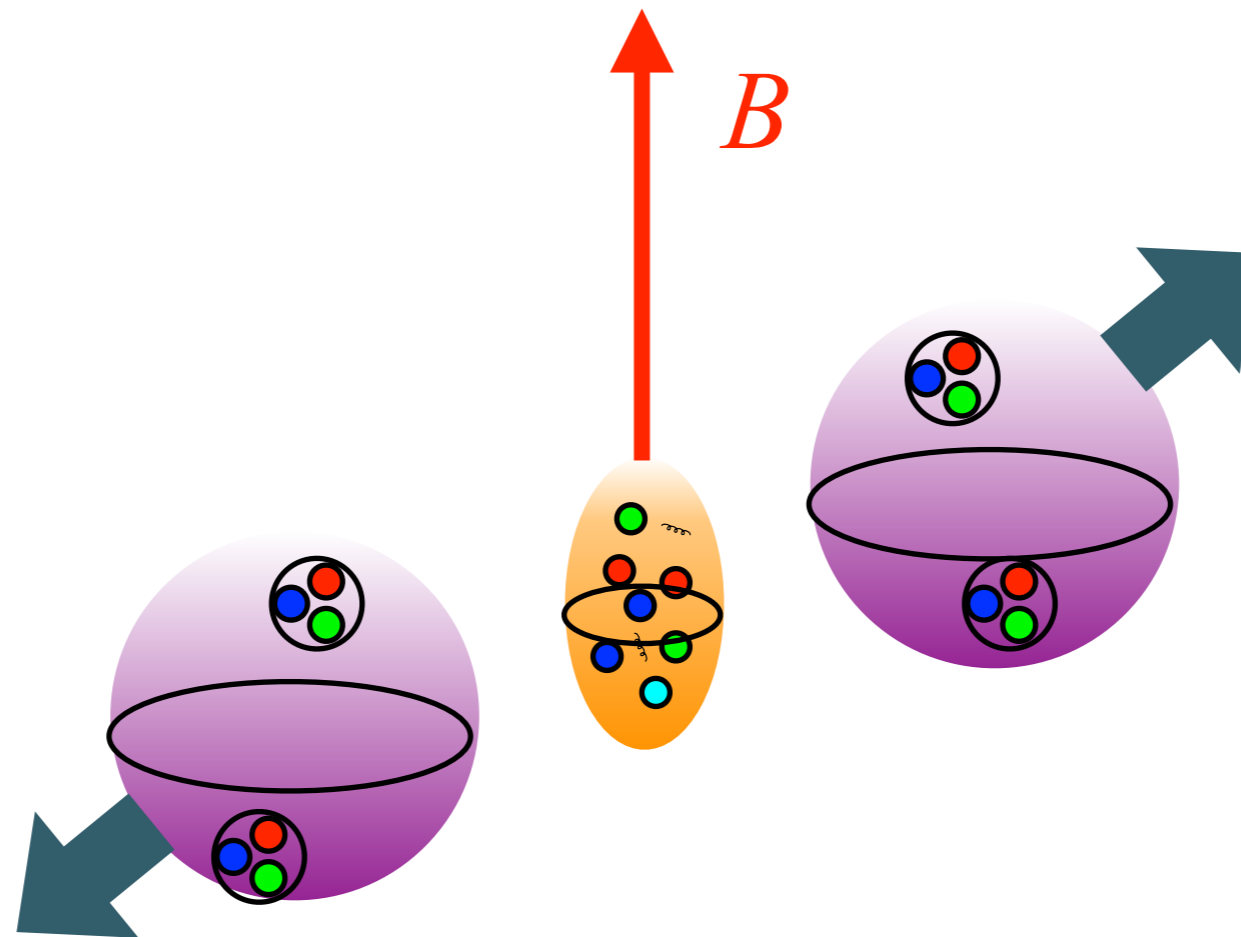
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# Introduction

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**Strong magnetic field ( $B$ ) may be generated in heavy ion collision due to Ampere's law.**

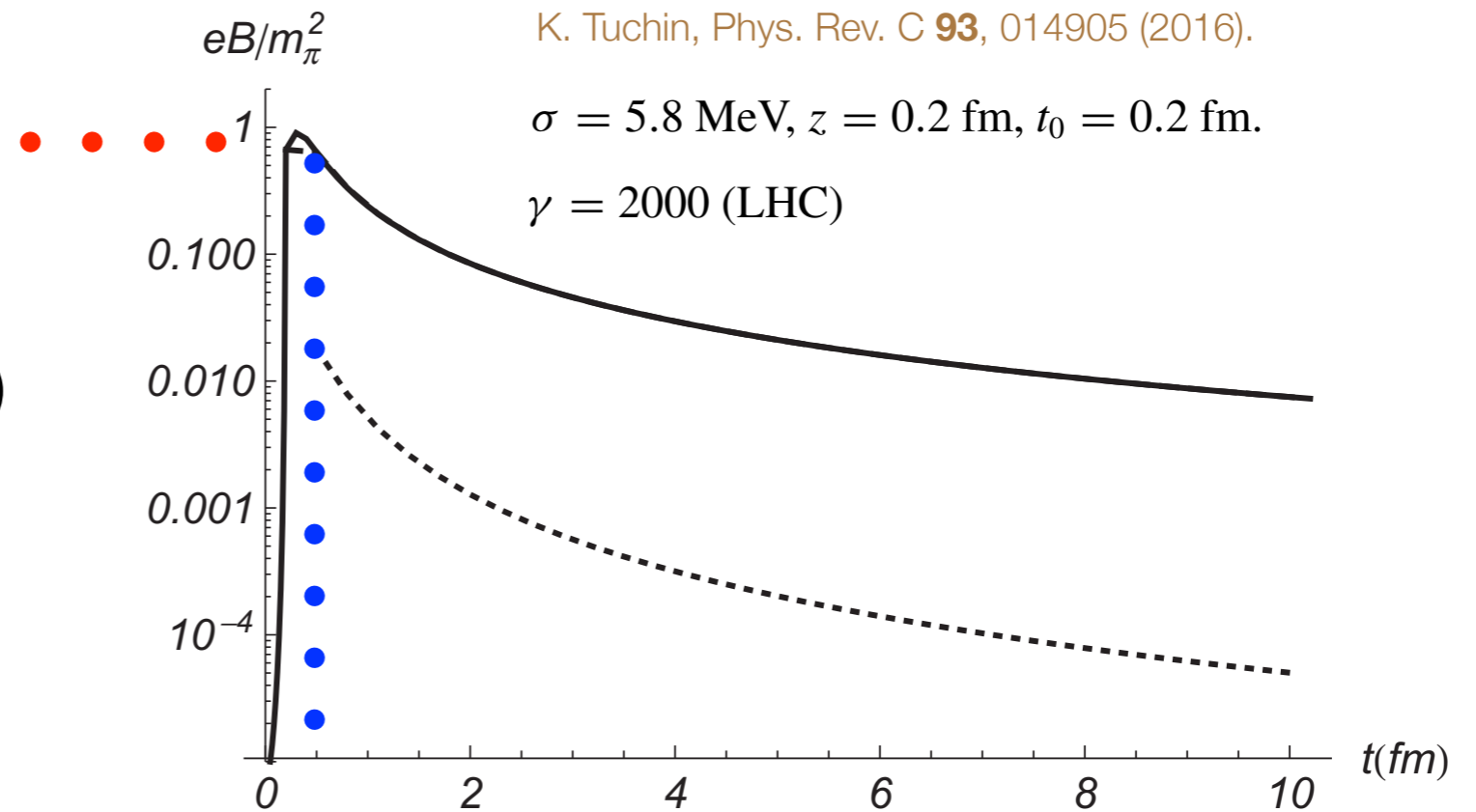


# Introduction

strength:

$$\sqrt{eB} \sim 100 \text{ [MeV]}$$

(Comparable with  $T$ )



lifetime:  $\sim 0.3 \text{ fm}$

At thermalization time ( $\sim 0.5 \text{ fm}$ ), there still may be strong  $B$ .

Heavy ion collision may give a chance to investigate QCD matter at **finite temperature** in **strong magnetic field**.

**How the system behaves when the energy scale of  $B$  is much larger than the typical energy scale of the system?**

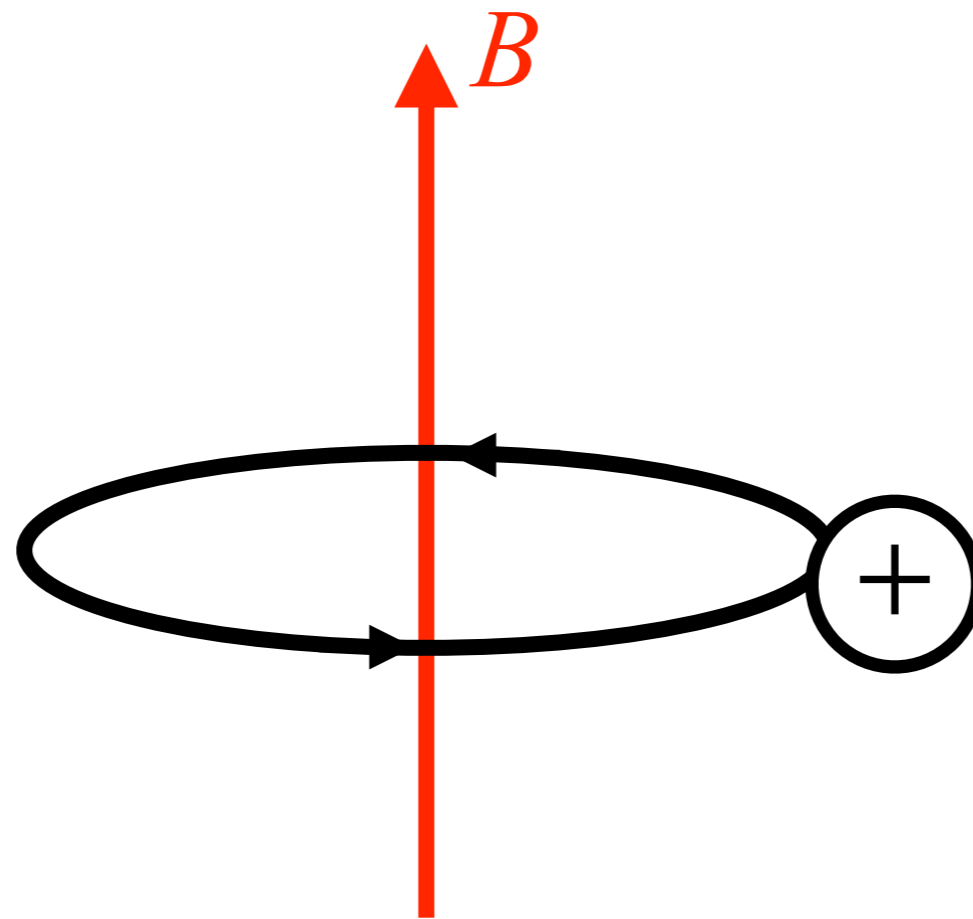
$$(\sqrt{eB} \gg T, m, \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \dots)$$

# Quark in Strong B

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One-particle state of quark in magnetic field

**Classical: Cyclotron motion due to Lorentz force**



# Quark in Strong B

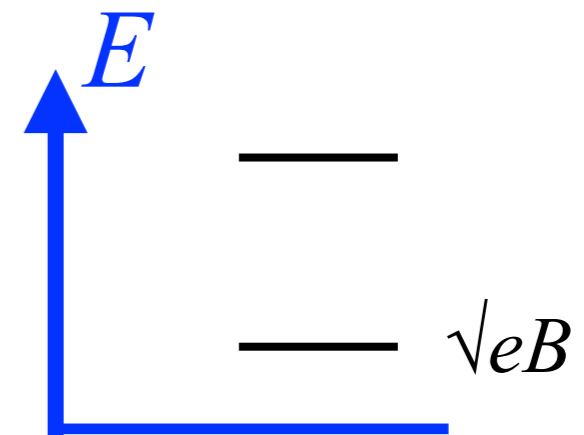
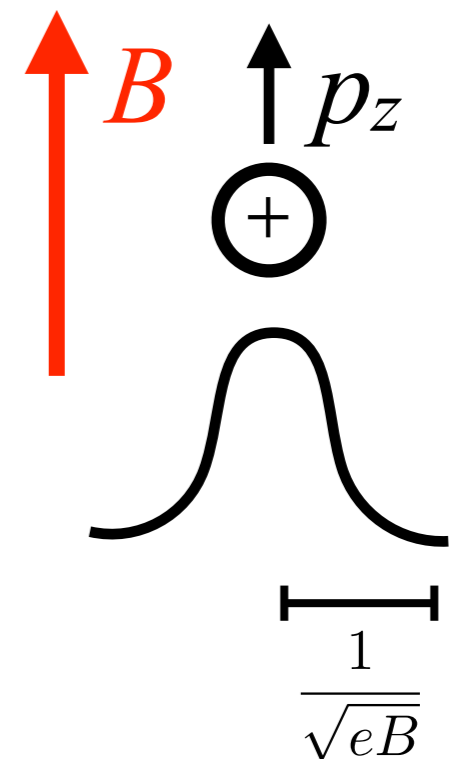
## Quantum: Landau Quantization

Longitudinal: Plane wave

Transverse: Gaussian

$$E_n = \sqrt{(p_z)^2 + m^2 + 2eB \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

The gap ( $\sim \sqrt{eB}$ ) is generated by zero-point oscillation.



# Quark in Strong B

For spin-1/2 particle, we have Zeeman effect:



$$E_n = \sqrt{(p_z)^2 + m^2 + 2eB \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \mp \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

**When  $n=0$  (LLL), gap is small ( $m \sim 1\text{MeV}$ ).**

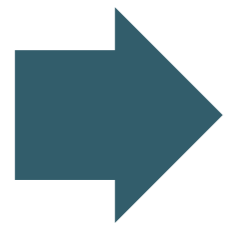
**When  $n>0$ , gap is large ( $\sim \sqrt{eB} \sim 100\text{MeV}$ )**



# Lowest Landau Level (LLL) Approximation

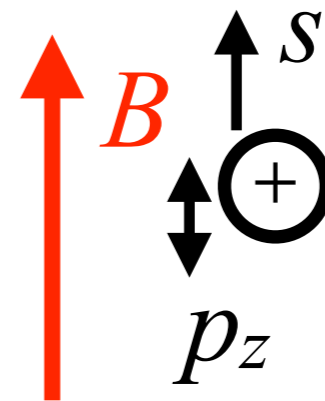
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When the typical energy of particle ( $T$ ) is much smaller than gap ( $\sqrt{eB}$ ), the higher LL does not contribute ( $\sim \exp(-\sqrt{eB}/T)$ ), so **we can focus on the LLL.**



**Confined in one direction fermion,  
no spin degrees of freedom.**

$$E_n = \sqrt{(p_z)^2 + m^2}$$

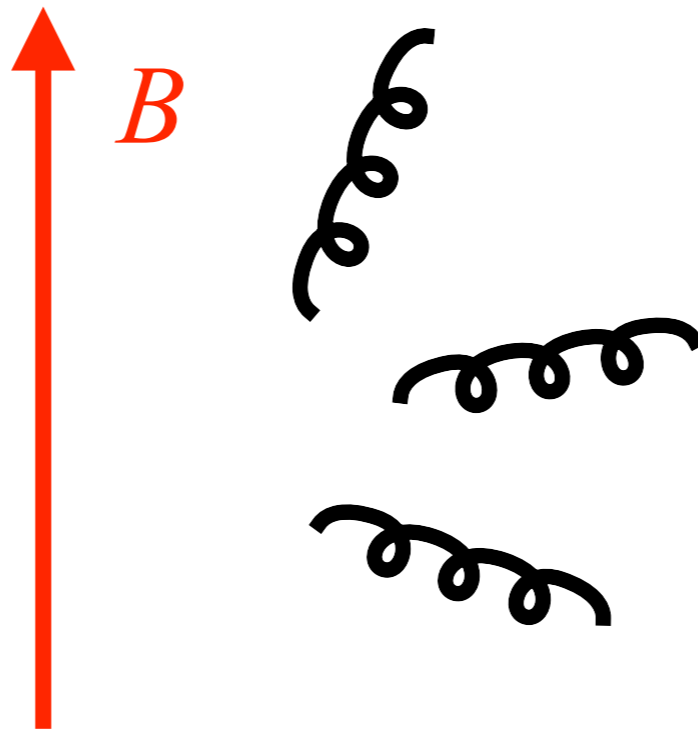


In heavy-ion collision, this condition may be marginally realized ( $T \sim \sqrt{eB} \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$ ).  
But in Weyl semi-metal, it is already realized ( $T \sim 1 \text{ meV}$ ,  $\sqrt{eB} \sim 10 \text{ eV}$ ).

# Gluon in Strong B

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Gluon does not have charge, so it does not feel  $B$  in the zeroth approximation.

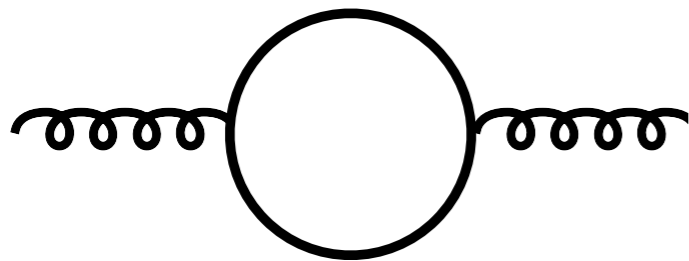


**Massless boson in  $(3+1)D$**

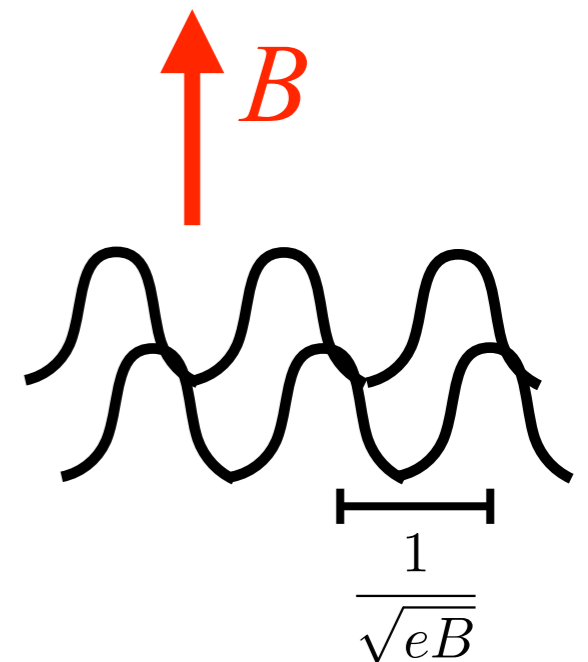
# Gluon in Strong B

K. Fukushima, Phys. Rev. D **83**, 111501 (2011).

Coupling with (1+1)D quarks generates gluon mass.  
(Schwinger mass generation)



(surface density)  
 $\sim (\text{average distance})^{-2} \sim eB$



**Color factor**

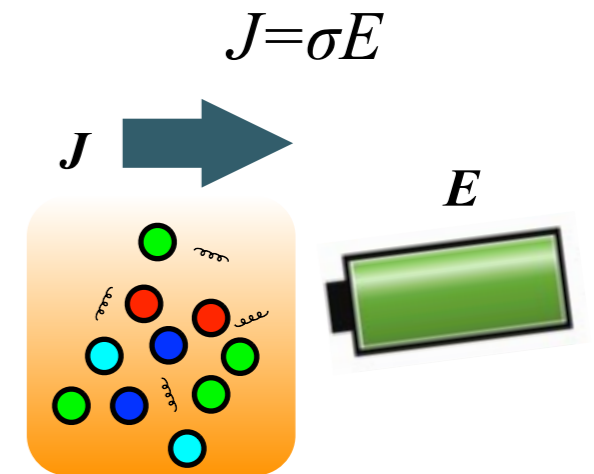
$$M^2 \equiv \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{g^2}{\pi} \sum_f \frac{|eB|}{2\pi} \sim g^2 eB$$

**Schwinger  
mass**

**Landau degeneracy**

# Motivation to Discuss Electrical Conductivity

Electrical conductivity is phenomenologically important because



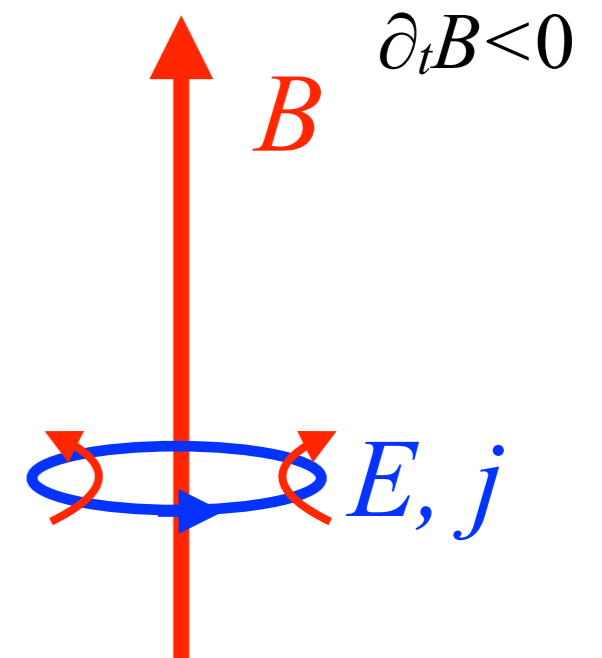
- Input parameter of magnetohydrodynamics (transport coefficient)

- May increase lifetime of  $\mathbf{B}$  (Lenz's law)

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\partial_t \mathbf{B}$$

$$\cancel{\partial_t \mathbf{E}} = \nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{j}$$

When  $\sigma$  is large

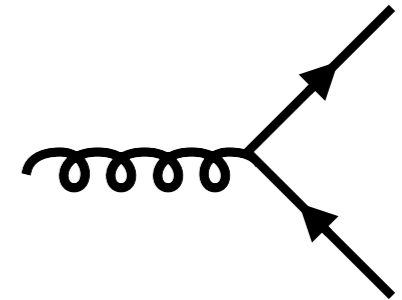


# Possible Scattering Process for Conductivity

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## $B=0$

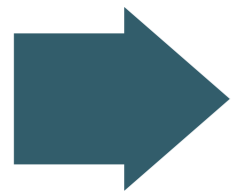
1 to 2 scattering is kinematically forbidden;  
one massless particle can not decay to  
two massless particles



## strong $B$

Gluon is effectively massive in (1+1)D

$$E = \sqrt{p_z^2 + p_\perp^2 + M^2}$$

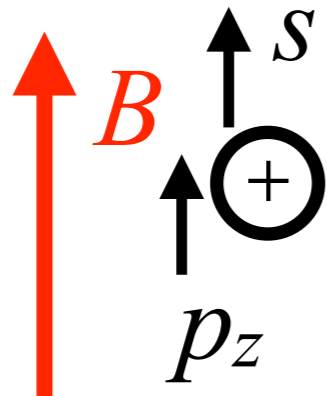


**Decay of a gluon into two quarks  
becomes kinematically possible.**

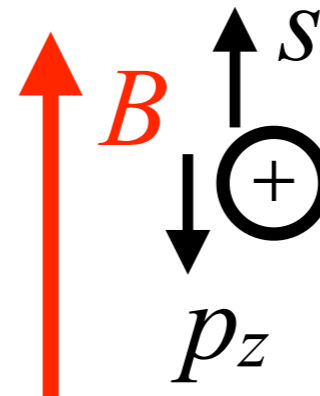
# Chirality in (1+1)D

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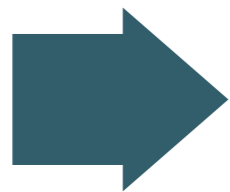
Spin is always up.



$$\chi = +1$$



$$\chi = -1$$

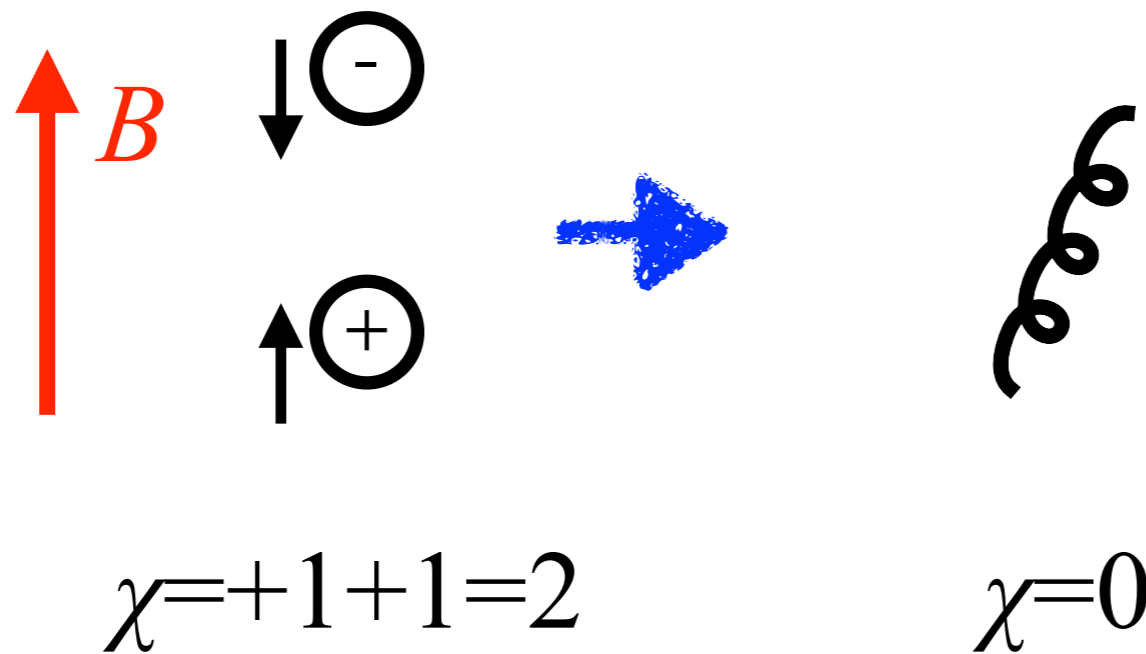


**When  $m=0$ , the direction of  $p_z$  determines chirality.**

# Chirality in (1+1)D

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Chirality is conserved at  $m=0$ :



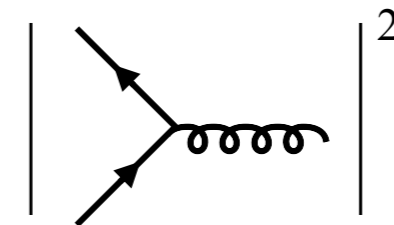
**➡ 1 to 2 scattering is forbidden at  $m=0$ .**

# Motivation to Discuss Electrical Conductivity

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Electrical conductivity is also theoretically interesting: the scattering process is very different from that in  $B=0$ .

- Because the kinematics is non-standard (1+1 D for quark, 3+1 D for gluon), the 1 to 2 scattering is the leading process, instead of 2 to 2.



- At  $m=0$ , the 1 to 2 process is forbidden due to chirality conservation. Thus, we need to include finite  $m$  effect to have non-divergent conductivity.



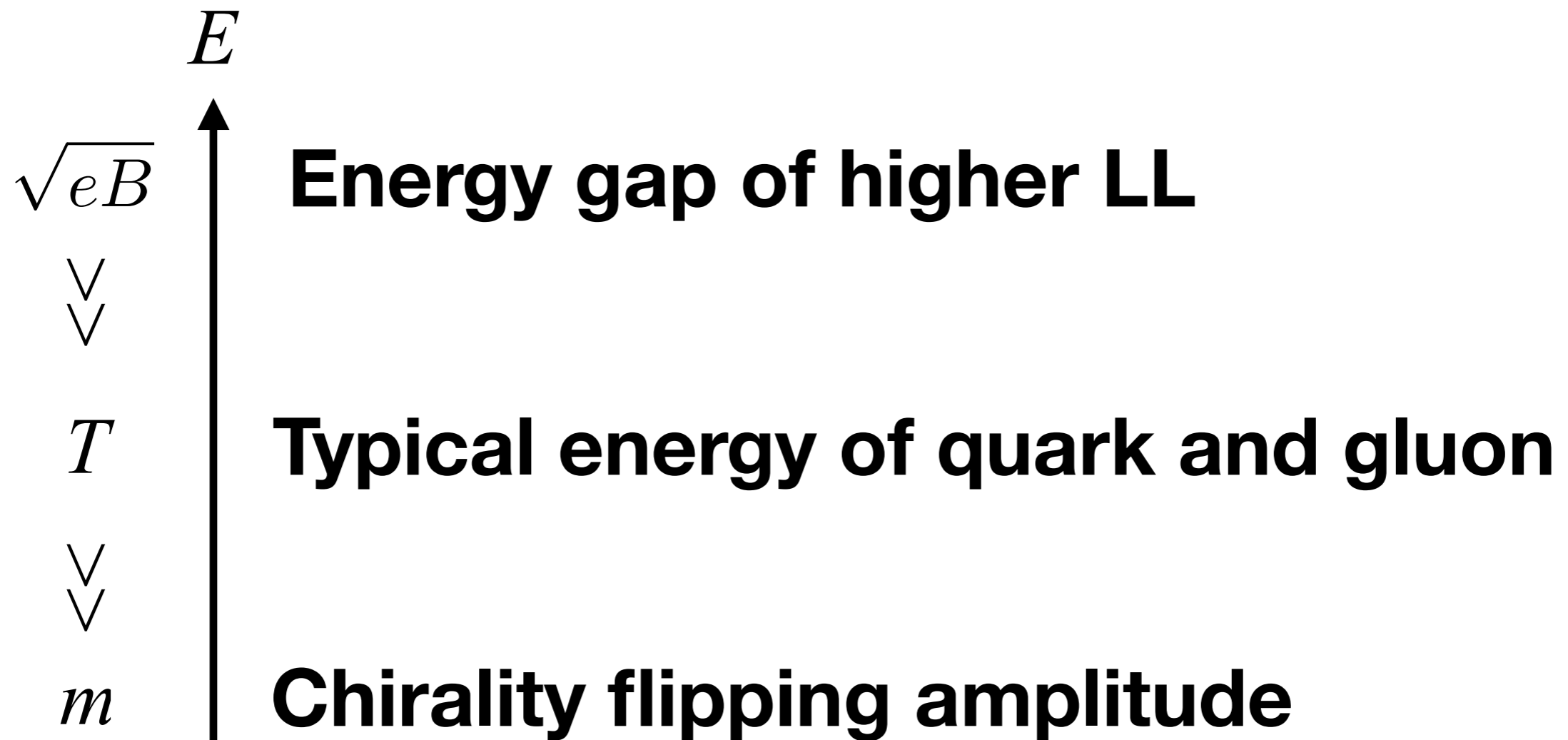
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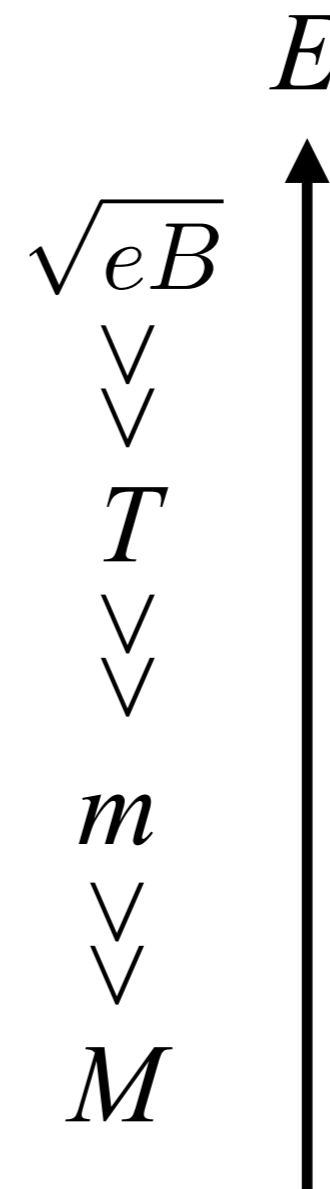
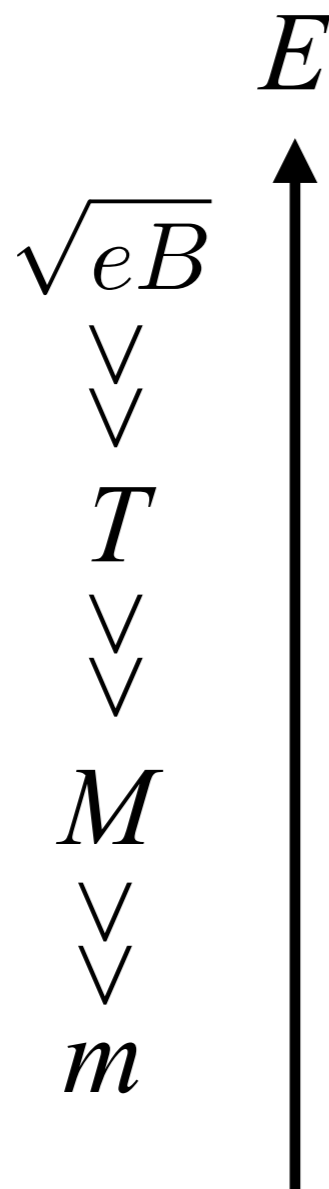
# Hierarchy of Energy Scale at LLL

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For ordering of  $m$  and  $M$ , we consider the both cases.

$(m \ll M \text{ and } m \gg M)$

$(M \sim g\sqrt{eB})$



# Electrical Conductivity

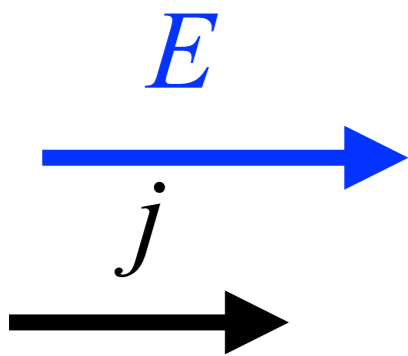
D. S., Phys. Rev. D, **90**, 034018 (2014).

Conductivity at weak  $B$  ( $\sqrt{eB} \ll T$ )

**$B=0$**

$$j^i = \sigma^{ij} E^j$$

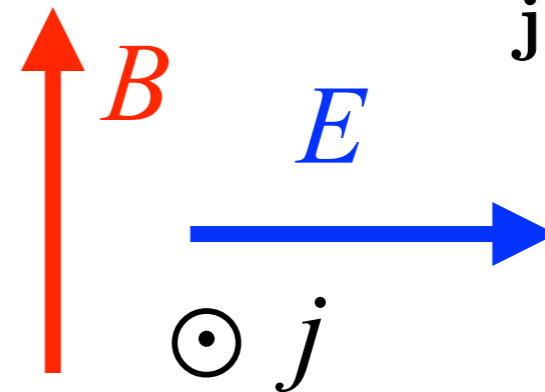
$$\mathbf{j} = \sigma_0 \mathbf{E}$$



$$\sigma^{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**linear in  $B$**

$$\mathbf{j} = \sigma_1 \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B}$$



$$\sigma^{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_0 & \sigma_1 & 0 \\ -\sigma_1 & \sigma_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\sigma_0$  is independent from  $B$ . ( $\sigma_0 \sim e^2 T/g^4$ )

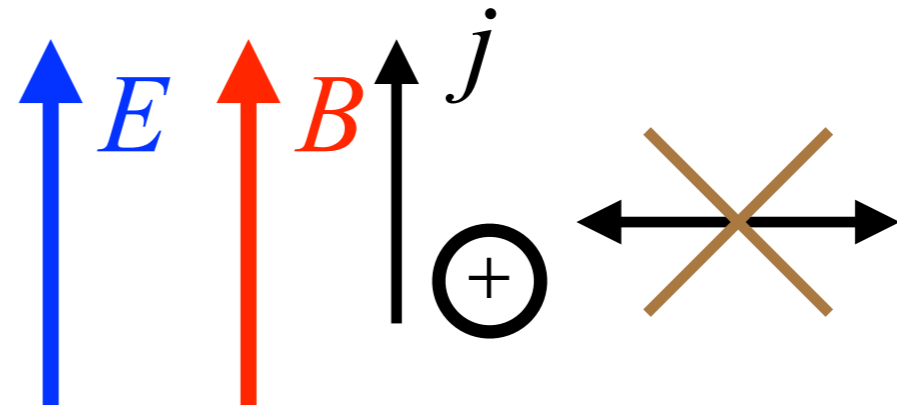
$\sigma_1$  is linear in  $B$ . ( $\sigma_1 \sim e^3 B \mu/g^8 T^2$ )

# Electrical Conductivity

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## Strong $B$ (LLL)

Quarks are confined in the direction of  $B$ , so there is no current in other directions.

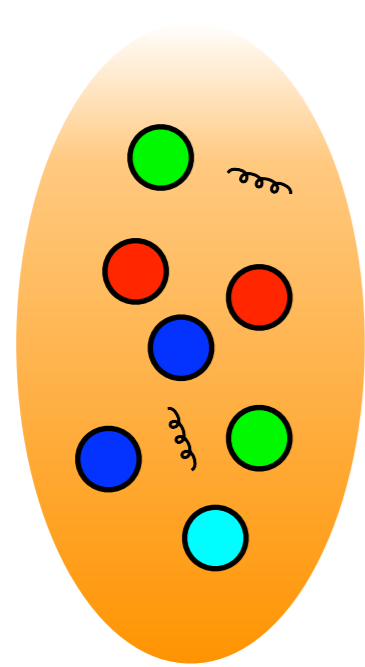


➔  $\sigma^{33}$  is finite, other components are zero.  
(Very different from weak  $B$  case)

$$j^i = \sigma^{ij} E^j$$

$$\sigma^{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

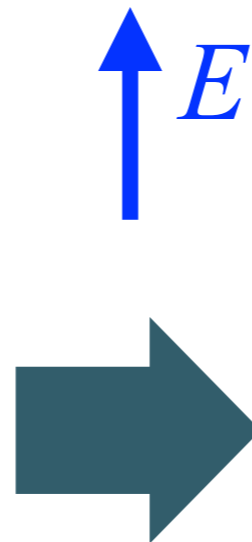
# Calculation of conductivity



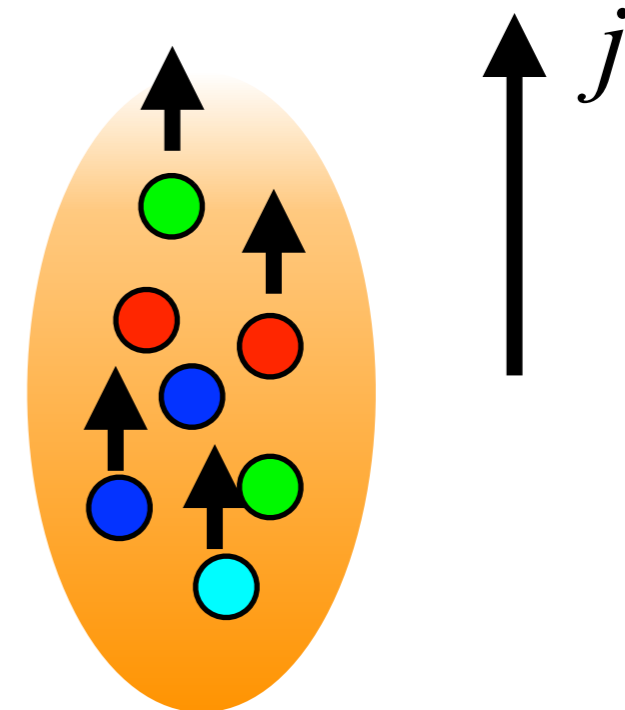
Thermal equilibrium  
in strong  $B$

$$n^f(k^3, T, Z) = n_F(\epsilon_k^L)$$

$$\epsilon_k^L \equiv \sqrt{(k^3)^2 + m^2}$$



Linear response  
against  $E$



Slightly non-equilibrium,  
finite  $j$

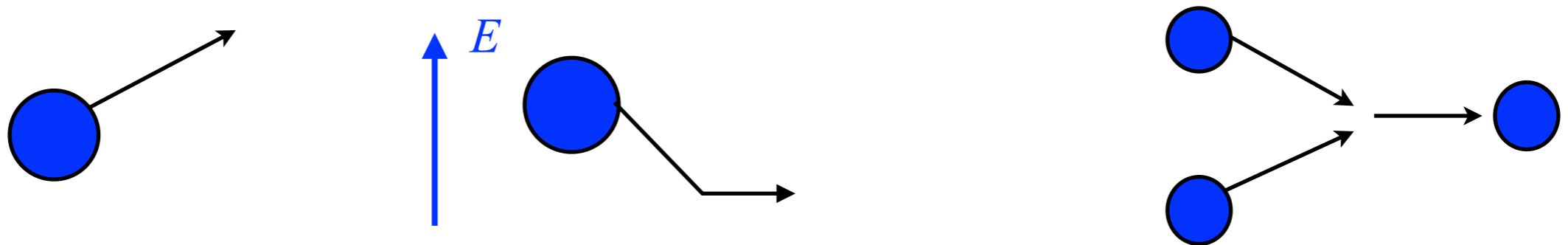
$$n^f(k^3, T, Z) = n_F(\epsilon_k^L) + \delta n^f(k^3, T, Z)$$

$$j^3(T, Z) = 2e \sum_f q_f N_c \frac{|eq_f B|}{2\pi} \int \frac{dk^3}{2\pi} v^3 \delta n^f(k^3, T, Z) = \sigma^{33} E^3$$

**Evaluation of  $\delta n_F$  is necessary.**

# Calculation of conductivity

Evaluate  $n_F$  with (1+1)D Boltzmann equation



$$[\partial_T + v^3 \partial_Z + eq_f E^3(T, Z) \partial_{k^3}] n^f(k^3, T, Z) = C[n]$$

$$v^3 \equiv \partial \epsilon_k^L / (\partial k^3) = k^3 / \epsilon_k^L$$

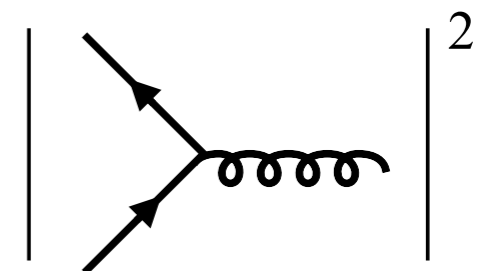
1 to 2 collision:

$$C[n] = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_k^L} \int |M|^2 [n_B^{k+l} (1 - n_F^k) (1 - n_F^l) - (1 + n_B^{k+l}) n_F^k n_F^l]$$

$$|M|^2 = 4g^2 C_f m^2$$

**Vanishes at  $m=0$ !**

(chirality conservation)



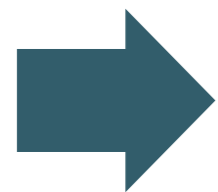
# Calculation of conductivity

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$$[\partial_T + v^3 \partial_Z + eq_f E^3(T, Z) \partial_{k^3}] n^f(k^3, T, Z) = C[n]$$

linearize  $n^f(k^3, T, Z) = n_F(\epsilon_k^L) + \delta n^f(k^3, T, Z)$


Constant  $E$ :  $\partial_T, \partial_Z=0$



$$eq_f E^3 \beta v^3 n_F(\epsilon_k^L) [1 - n_F(\epsilon_k^L)] = C[\delta n^f(k^3, T, Z)]$$

$$C[n] = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_k^L} \int |M|^2 [n_B^{k+l} (1 - n_F^k) (1 - n_F^l) - (1 + n_B^{k+l}) n_F^k n_F^l]$$

linearize


$$C[\delta n] = -\frac{1}{2\epsilon_k^L} \int_l |M|^2 [\delta n_F^k (n_B^{k+l} + n_F^l) - \delta n_F^l (n_B^{k+l} + n_F^k)]$$

**damping rate of quark ( $= -2\xi_k \delta n_F^k$ )**



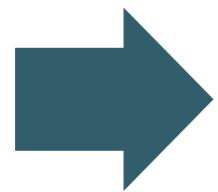
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Solution for  $\delta n^F$  with damping rate  $\xi_k$

$$\delta n_F^k = -\frac{1}{2\xi_k} e q_f E^3 \beta v^3 n_F(\epsilon_k^L) [1 - n_F(\epsilon_k^L)]$$

$$j^3(T, Z) = 2e \sum_f q_f N_c \frac{|B_f|}{2\pi} \int \frac{dk^3}{2\pi} v^3 \delta n^f(k^3, T, Z)$$

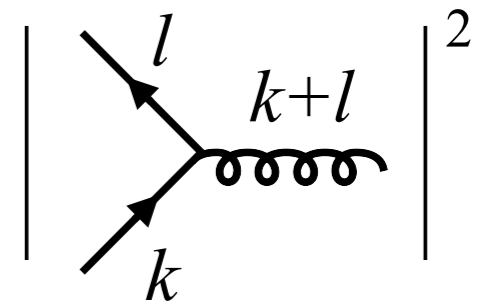


$$j^3 = e^2 \sum_f q_f^2 N_c \frac{|e q_f B|}{2\pi} 4\beta \int \frac{dk^3}{2\pi} (v^3)^2 \frac{1}{2\xi_k} n_F(\epsilon_k^L) [1 - n_F(\epsilon_k^L)] E^3$$

$\sigma_{33}$

# Quark Damping Rate

$$\epsilon_k^L \xi_k = \frac{g^2 C_F m^2}{4\pi} \int_m^\infty dl^0 \frac{n_F(l^0) + n_B(l^0 + \epsilon_k^L)}{\sqrt{(l^0)^2 - m^2}}$$



leading-log approximation ( $\ln[T/m] \gg 1$ )

$l^0 \ll T$  dominates



$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_k^L \xi_k &\simeq \frac{g^2 C_F m^2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{2} + n_B(\epsilon_k^L) \right] \int_m^\infty dl^0 \frac{1}{\sqrt{(l^0)^2 - m^2}} \\ &\simeq \frac{g^2 C_F m^2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{2} + n_B(\epsilon_k^L) \right] \ln \left( \frac{T}{m} \right) \end{aligned}$$

**matrix element**

**soft fermion and hard boson**

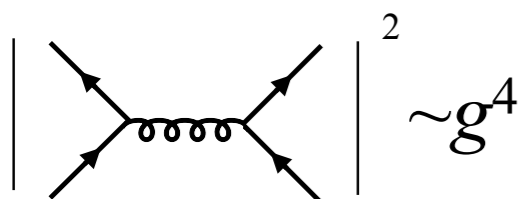
$$n_F(1+n_B) + (1-n_F)n_B = n_F + n_B$$

log divergence  
in phase space  
integral

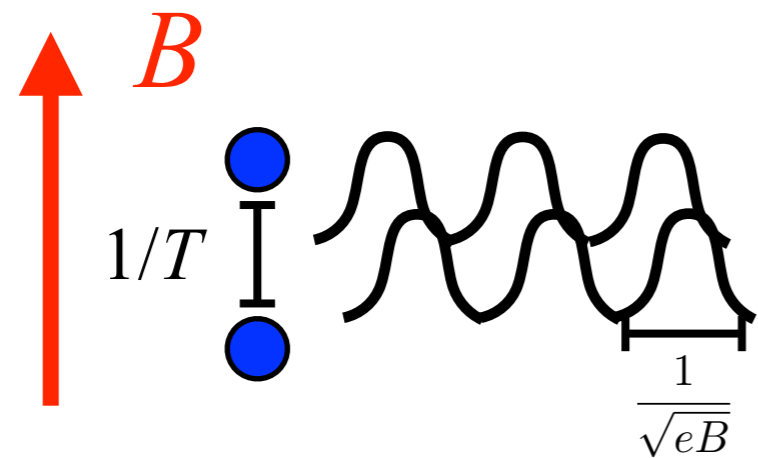
UV cutoff:  $T$

IR cutoff:  $m$

cf: 2 to 2



# Results



(average distance among quarks)  $\sim 1/T$   
 $\rightarrow$  (quark density in 1D)  $\sim T$

**Quark density in 1D**

$$\sigma^{33} = e^2 \sum_f q_f^2 N_c \frac{|eq_f B|}{2\pi} \frac{4T}{g^2 C_F m^2 \ln(T/m)}$$

Landau  
degeneracy

Quark damping  
rate

**Due to chirality conservation, collision is forbidden when  $m=0$ . Thus,  $\sigma \sim 1/m^2$ .**

**Despite  $T \gg m$ , it is very sensitive to  $m$ !!**

When  $M \gg m$ ,  $\ln(T/m) \rightarrow \ln(T/M)$ .

# Other Term Does Not Contribute

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$$C[\delta n] = -\frac{2g^2 C_F m^2}{\epsilon_k^L} \int_l [\delta n_F^k (n_B^{k+l} + n_F^l) - \delta n_F^l (n_B^{k+l} + n_F^k)]$$

**Other Term**

$$\delta n_F^l = -\frac{eq_f}{2\xi_l} E^3 \partial_{l^3} n_F(\epsilon_l^L) : \text{odd in } l^3$$

function of  $(\epsilon_k^L + \epsilon_l^L)$

$$(\text{Other term}) \sim \int_l \underbrace{(n_B^{k+l} + n_F^k)}_{\text{even in } l^3} \delta n_F^l \quad \longrightarrow \quad 0$$

Same for  $m \ll M$  case.

**Our result** (only retaining quark damping rate)  
**is correct.**

# Equivalent Diagrams

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Our calculation is based on (unestablished)  
(1+1)D kinetic theory,  
but actually **we can reproduce the same  
result by field theory calculation.**

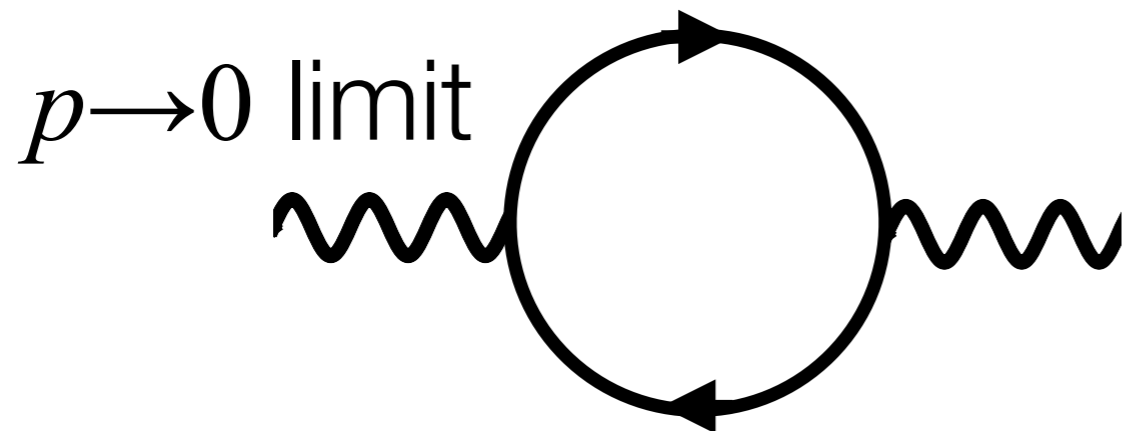
J. -S. Gagnon and S. Jeon, Phys. Rev. D **75**, 025014 (2007); **76**, 105019 (2007).

Kubo formula:  $\sigma^{ij} \equiv \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Pi^{Rij}(\omega)}{i\omega}$

$$j^\mu \equiv e \sum_f q_f \bar{\psi}_f \gamma^\mu \psi_f$$

$f$ : flavor index,  $q_f$ : electric charge

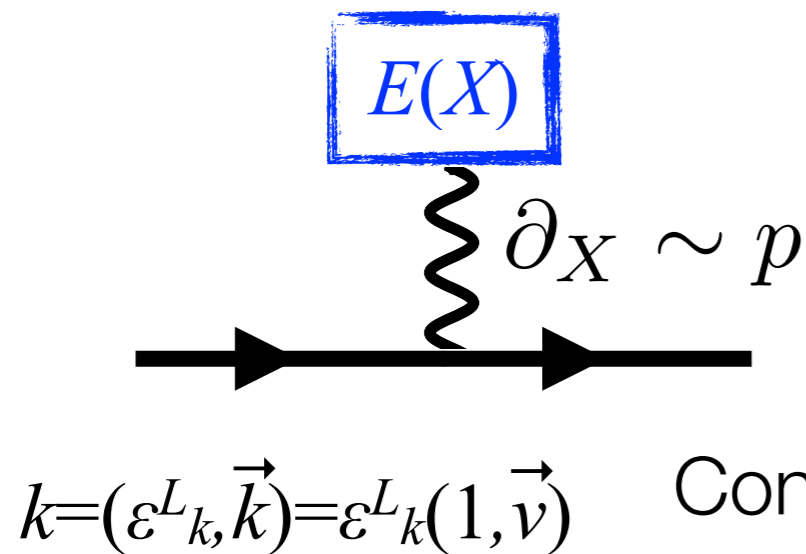
$$\Pi^{R\mu\nu}(x) \equiv i\theta(x^0) \langle [j^\mu(x), j^\nu(0)] \rangle$$



# Equivalent Diagrams

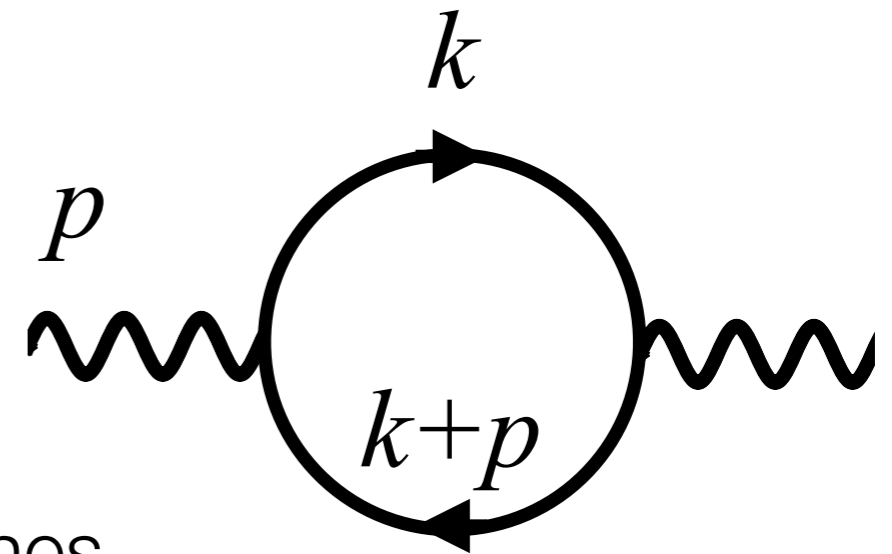
J. -P. Blaizot and E. Iancu, Nucl. Phys. B **557**, 183 (1999).

## Kinetic eq.



Connect the ends of lines

## Field Theory



$$\frac{1}{(k+p)^2 - m^2 + 2i\xi_{k+p}(k^0 + p^0)}$$

on-shell condition:  $k^2 - m^2 = 2i\xi_k k^0$ ,  
 $p \rightarrow 0$  limit

$$\frac{1}{2(k \cdot p + 2i\xi_k k^0)}$$

$$(v \cdot \partial_X + 2\xi_k) \delta n^f = -eq_f E^3 \partial_k n^f(k)$$

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# Possible Phenomenological Implications

## 1. Order Estimate

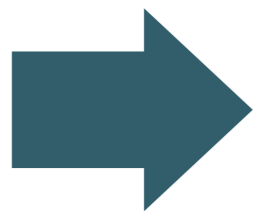
$$\sigma^{33} = e^2 \sum_f q_f^2 N_c \frac{|eq_f B|}{2\pi} \frac{4T}{g^2 C_F m^2 \ln(T/M)}$$

Because of  $m^{-2}$  dependence,  $s$  contribution is very small.

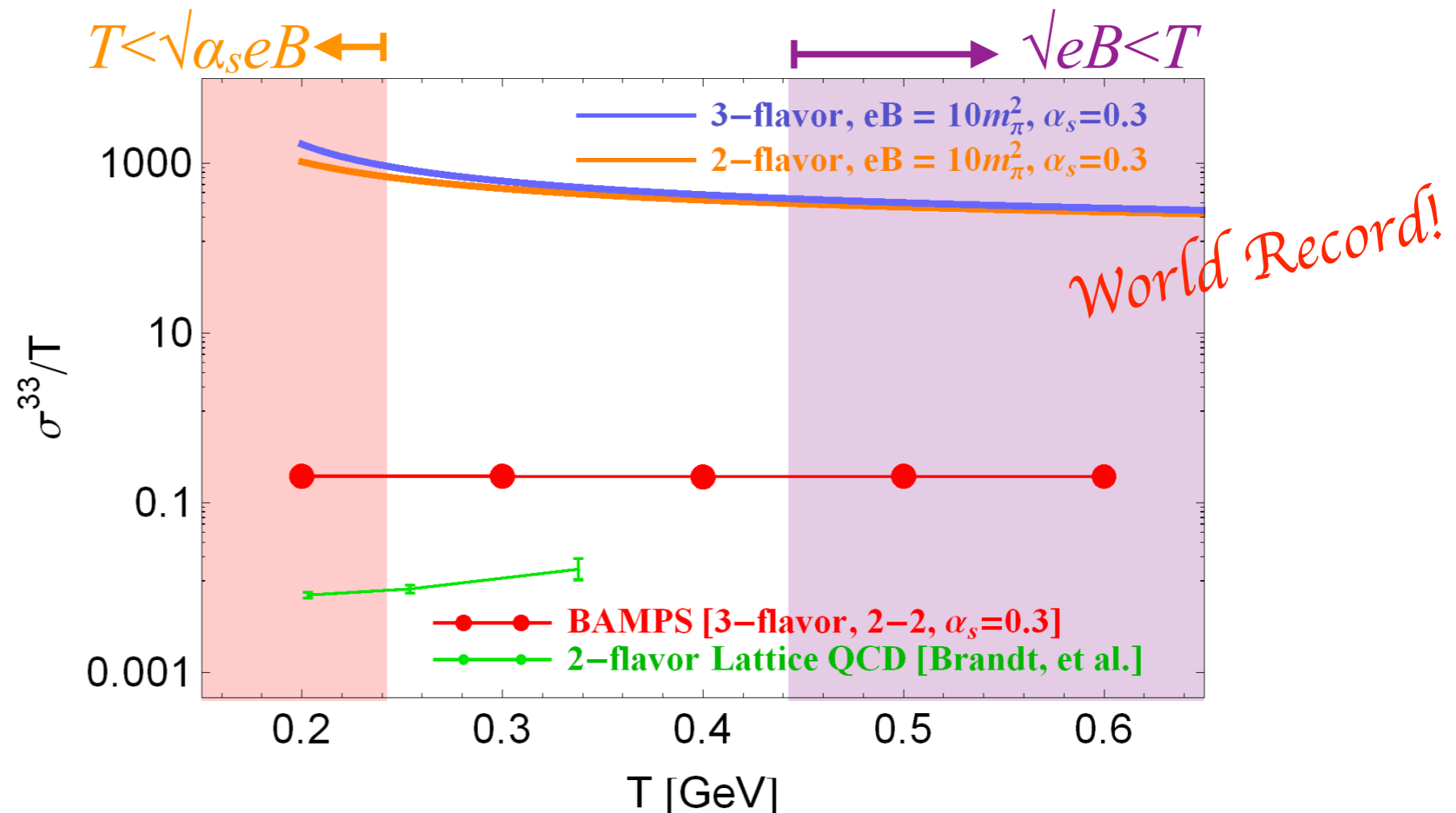
$$\alpha_s = \frac{g^2}{4\pi} = 0.3,$$

$$m = 3\text{MeV}(u, d), 100\text{MeV}(s),$$

$$eB = 10m_\pi^2 = (440\text{MeV})^2.$$



$$M=160\text{MeV} \gg m$$

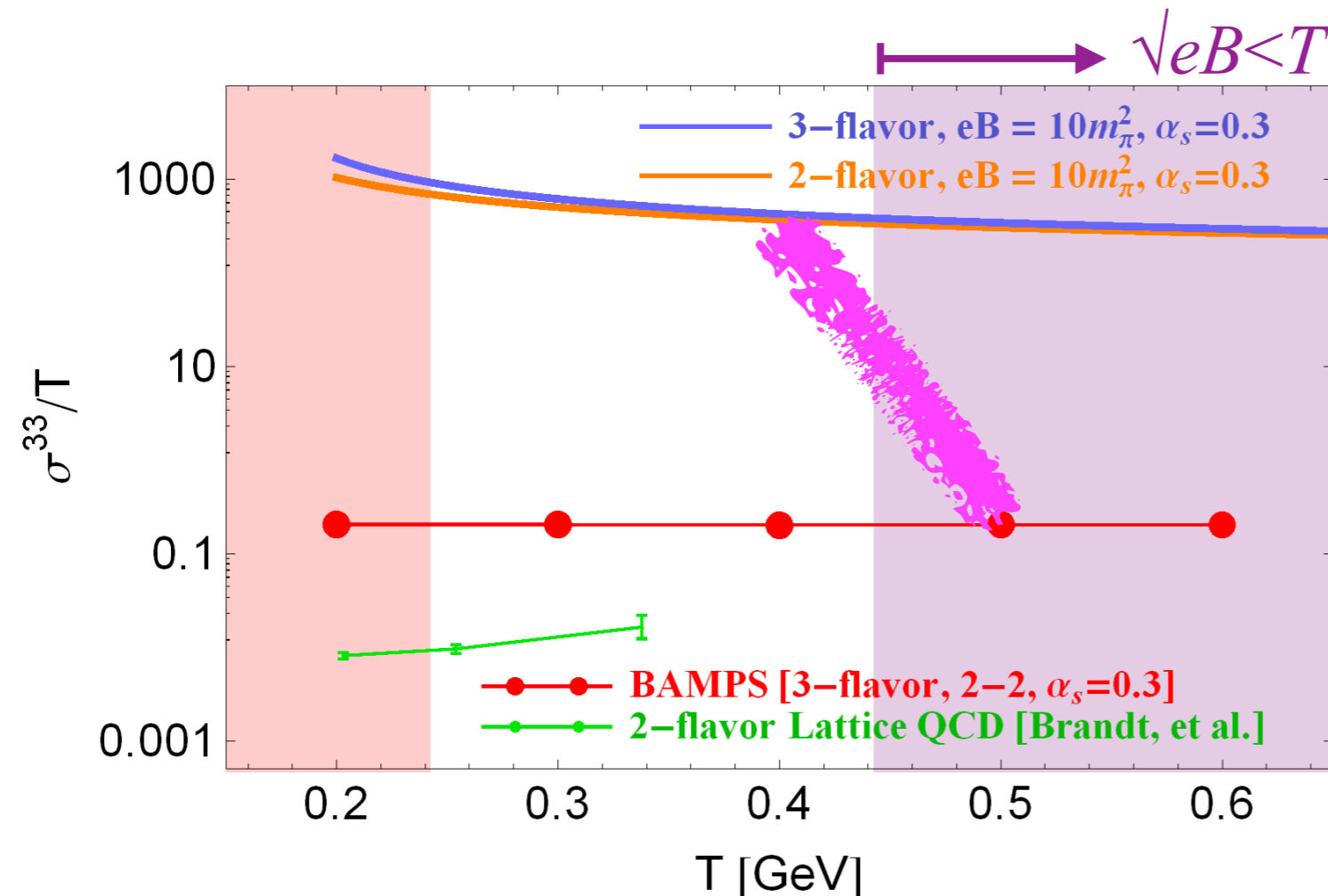


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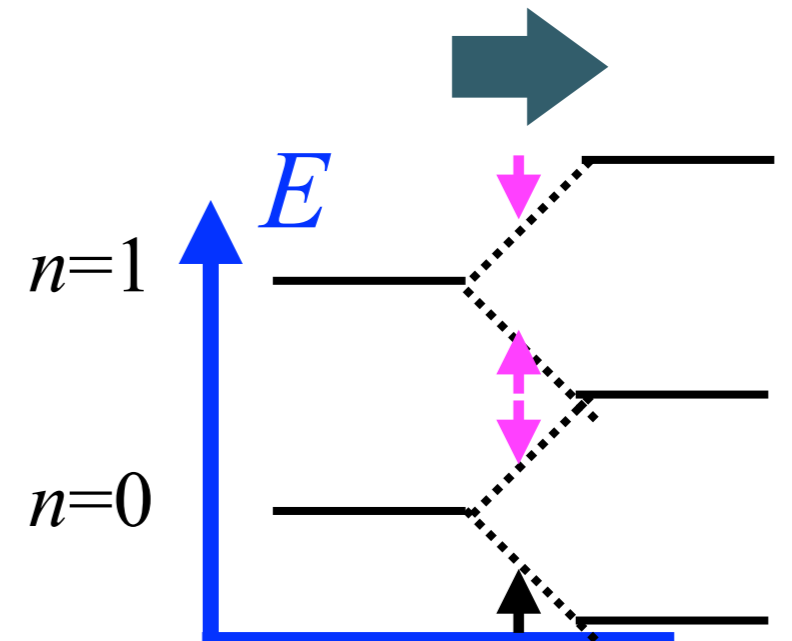
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# Possible Phenomenological Implications



$$\sigma^{33} = e^2 \sum_f q_f^2 N_c \frac{|eq_f B|}{2\pi} \frac{4T}{g^2 C_F m^2 \ln(T/M)}$$



Beyond LLL approximation, there are also spin down particles, so the scattering is not suppressed by  $m^2$ .

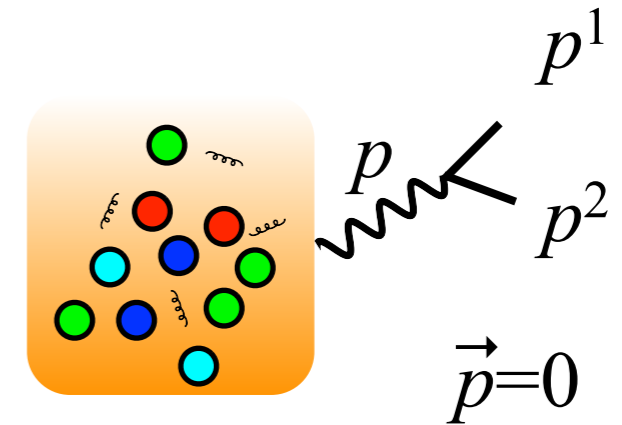
➔  **$\sigma^{33}$  is expected to be smaller at large  $T$ , so that it smoothly connects with  $B=0$  result.**

# Possible Phenomenological Implications

## 2. Soft Dilepton Production

G. D. Moore and J. -M. Robert, hep-ph/0607172.

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d^4p} = \frac{\alpha}{12\pi^4\omega^2} T \sigma^{33}$$



$\therefore$  (virtual photon emission rate)  $\sim n_B(\omega) \text{Im}\Pi^\mu_\mu \sim T \sigma^{33}$

(photon interaction energy w leptons)

(quark mean free path)<sup>-1</sup>

$\sigma^{33}$  is large

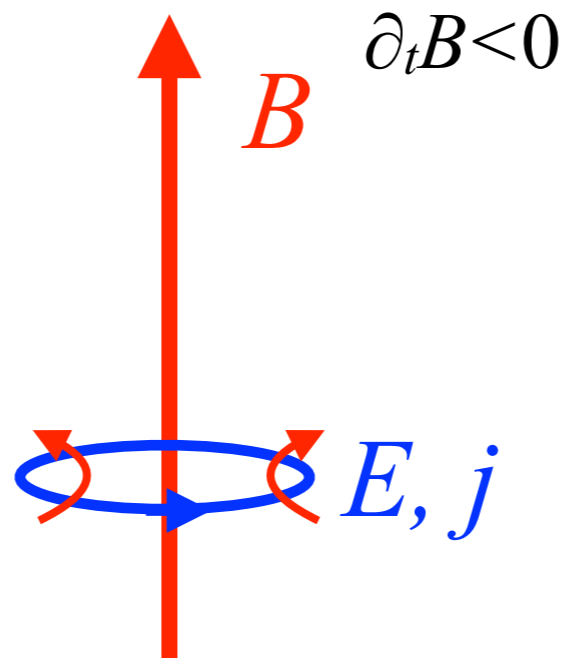
$$e\sqrt{eB} \ll \omega \ll \frac{g^2 m^2}{T} \ln\left(\frac{T}{M}\right)$$

**➔ Soft dilepton production is enhanced by  $B$ ?**

# Possible Phenomenological Implications

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## 3. Back Reaction to EM Fields



### Bad news:

In LLL approximation, we have **no current in transverse plane**, so **Lenz's law does NOT work!**

The lifetime of  $B$  does not increase...

# Summary

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- We calculated electrical conductivity in strong B using the LLL approximation, for  $m \ll M$  and  $m \gg M$  cases.

Quark density in 1D

$$\sigma^{33} = e^2 \sum_f q_f^2 N_c \frac{|eq_f B|}{2\pi} \frac{4T}{g^2 C_F m^2 \ln(T/m)}$$

Landau degeneracy

Quark damping rate

When  $M \gg m$ ,  $\ln(T/m) \rightarrow \ln(T/M)$ .

- We found that the conductivity is enhanced by large B, and small m. The sensitivity to  $m$  was explained in terms of chirality conservation.

# Future Perspective

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- Go beyond LLL approximation (more realistic  $B$ )
- Calculate other transport coefficients (viscosity, heat conductivity...)

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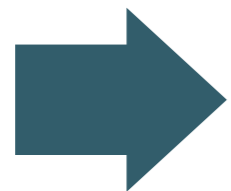
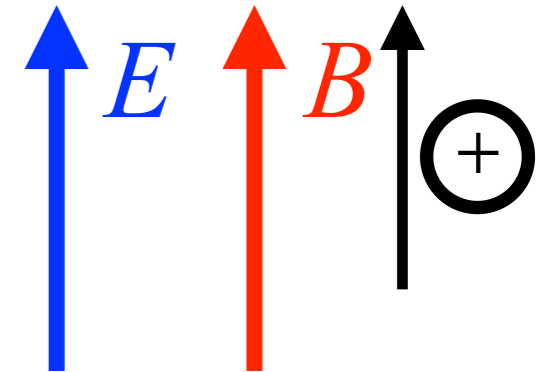
# Back Up

# Electrical Conductivity

Axial anomaly:  $\partial_t n_A = \frac{e^2 N_c N_F}{2\pi^2} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} - \frac{1}{\tau_R} n_A$

Stationary solution:  $n_A = \frac{e^2 N_c N_F}{2\pi^2} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} \tau_R$

Chiral magnetic effect:  $\mathbf{J} = \frac{e^2 N_c N_F}{2\pi^2} \mu_A \mathbf{B} = \frac{e^2 N_c N_F}{2\pi^2 \chi} n_A \mathbf{B}$



$$\sigma_{zz} = \frac{e^4 (N_c N_F)^2 B^2}{4\pi^4 \chi} \tau_R \quad \chi = N_c \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{eB}{2\pi} \right)$$

1. Sphaleron

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{R,s}} = \frac{(2N_F)^2 \Gamma_s}{2\chi T} \quad \Gamma_s \sim \alpha_s^5 \log(1/\alpha_s) T^4$$

2. Current quark mass

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{R,m}} \sim \alpha_s m_q^2 / T$$

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 $\wedge$      $\alpha_s m_q^2 \gg \alpha_s^5 T^2$

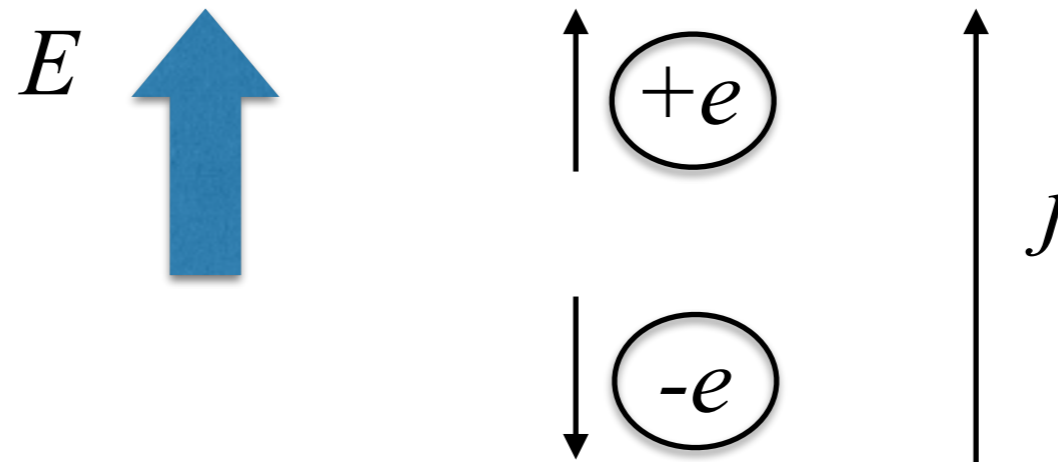


$$\sigma_{zz} \sim e^2 N_c (eB) T \frac{1}{\alpha_s m_q^2}$$

# Collision-dominant case – Boltzmann equation

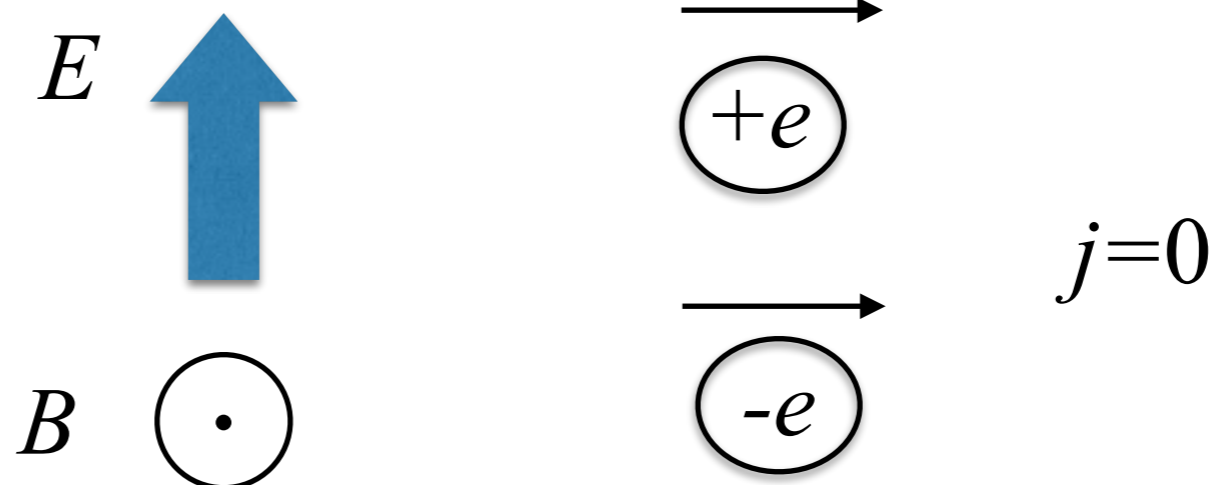
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## Ohmic current



exists even when  $\mu=0$ .

## Hall current

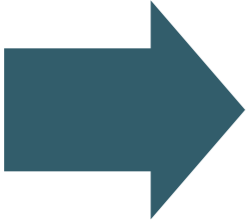


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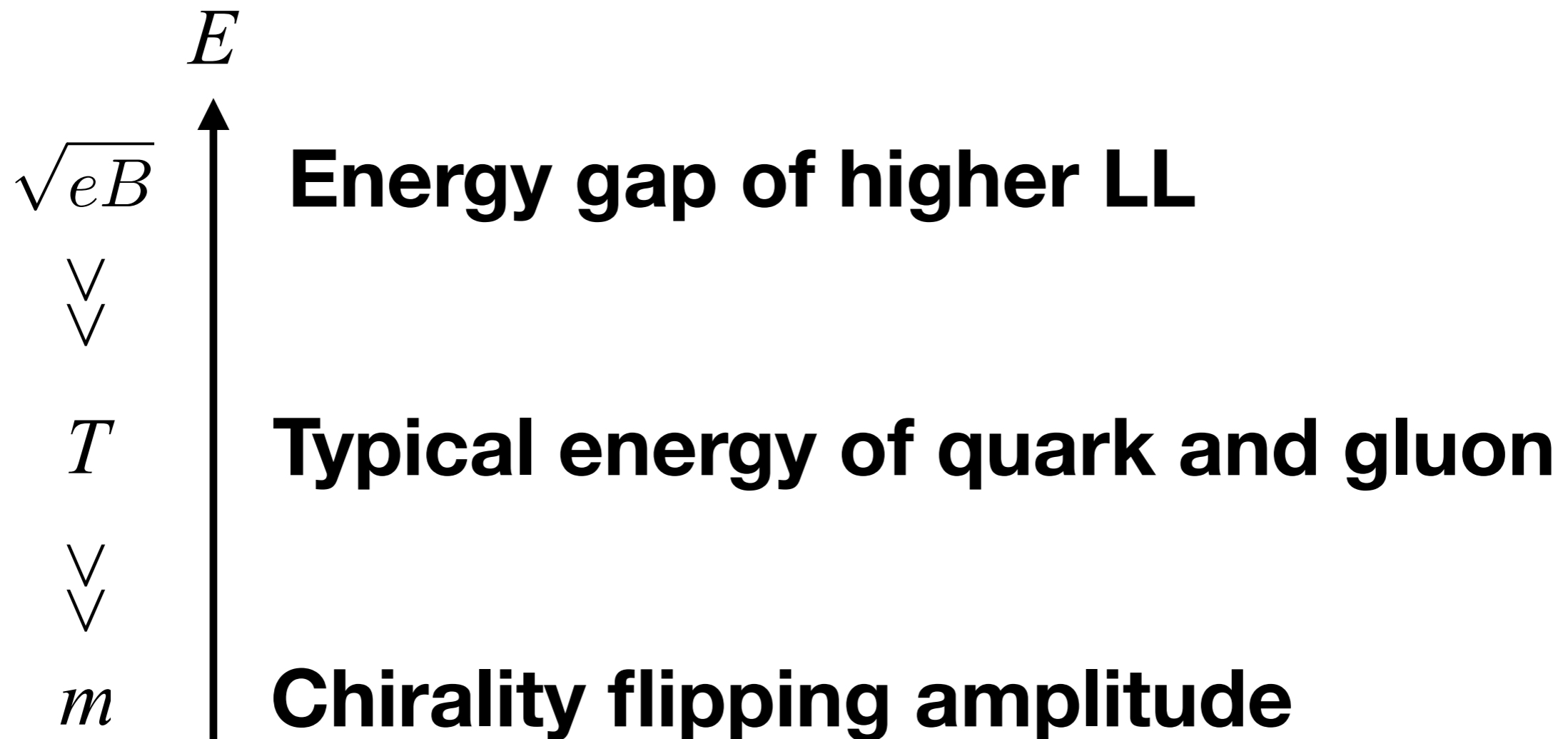
# Motivation

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 **Compute electrical  
conductivity in strong  $B$   
limit!**

# Hierarchy of Energy Scale at LLL

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We also assume that **the gluon screening mass ( $M \sim g\sqrt{eB}$ ) is much smaller than  $T$** , so that the gluon is thermally excited.