#### **Quarkyonic Matter**

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Will argue real world looks more like large N world

Somewhat Realistic Plot:



#### Recent Conception by Hatsuda and Fukushima



Baryon Chemical Potential  $\mu_{\rm B}$ 

Brief Review of Large N $N_c \to \infty \qquad g^2 N_c \ finite$ 

Mesons: quark-antiquark, noninteracting, masses ~  $\Lambda_{QCD}$ 

Baryons: N quarks, masses M  $\sim N_c \Lambda_{QCD}$ , baryon interactions  $\sim N_c$ 

Spectrum of Low Energy Baryons:

Multiplets with I = J;  $I,J = 1/2 \rightarrow I,J = N/2$ 

 $M_B(I,J) \sim M_N(1 + O(I^2/N_c^2, J^2/N_c^2, IJ/N_c^2))$ 

$$M_{\Delta} - M_N \sim \Lambda_{QCD}^2 / N_c$$

$$e^{(\mu_B - M_B)/T} = 0 \ if \ \mu_B < M_B$$

The confined world has no baryons because baryons are very massive!

**Confinement at Finite Density:** 

 $g^2 N_c T^2 \sim \alpha_N T^2$ 

Generates Debye Screening => Deconfinement at Tc



 $g^2 \mu_Q^2 \sim \alpha_N \mu_Q^2/N_c$ 

 $\mu_Q = \mu_B / N_c$ 

Quark loops are always small by 1/N\_c

For finite baryon fermi energy, confinement is never affected by the presence of quarks!

T\_c does not depend upon baryon density!

Confinement remains to very high baryon number density

#### Finite Baryon Density:

$$e^{(\mu_B - M_B)/T} = 0 \ if \ \mu_B < M_B$$

No baryons in the confined phase for  $\ \ \mu_B < M_B$ 

For  $\mu_B >> M_B \ (\mu_Q >> \Lambda_{QCD})$  weakly coupled gas of quarks.



#### Some Properties of Quarkyonic Matter

Quarks inside the Fermi Sea: Perturbative Interactions => At High Density can use perturbative quark Fermi gas for bulk properties

At Fermi Surface: Interactions sensitive to infrared => Confined baryons

Perturbative high density quark matter is chirally symmetric but confined => violates intuitive arguments that confinement => chiral symmetry

Quarkyonic matter appears when

 $\mu_B = M_B \ (\mu_Q = 330 MeV)$ 

(Can be modified if quark matter is bound by interactions. Could be "strange quarkyonic matter"?

Seems not true for N = 3)

#### Guess for Realistic Phase Diagram for N = 3

Will ignore not include effects of Color Superconductivity



# Width of the Transition Region: $k_F \sim \Lambda_{QCD}$

Baryons are non-relativistic:  $k_F/M_N \sim v \sim 1/N_c$   $\mu_B \sim M_N + k_F^2/2M_N \sim N_c \Lambda_{QCD} (1 + O(1/N_c^2))$  $\mu_Q \sim \Lambda_{QCD} (1 + O(1/N_c^2))$ 

Nuclear physics is in a width of order  $1/N_c^2$  around the baryon mass!

Nuclear matter is non-relativistic, and there is a narrow transition between confined and quarkyonic world

#### A PNJL model in large $N_c$ With Redlich and Sasaki

• thermodynamic potential:  $(N_c \times N_c \text{ matrix } L)$ [Fukushima, Ratti et al.]

$$\Omega = \mathcal{U}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}) + \frac{M^2}{2G} - 2N_c N_f \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} E \Theta(\Lambda - |\vec{p}|) - 2N_f T \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \operatorname{Tr} \left[ \ln \left( 1 + L e^{-(E-\mu)/T} \right) + \ln \left( 1 + L^{\dagger} e^{-(E+\mu)/T} \right) \right] N_c = 3: \operatorname{Tr} \ln \left( 1 + L e^{-(E-\mu)/T} \right) = \ln \left[ 1 + 3\Phi e^{-(E-\mu)/T} + 3\overline{\Phi} e^{-2(E-\mu)/T} + e^{-3(E-\mu)/T} \right]$$

at low temperature  $\Phi \sim 0$  and "baryons" contribute to thermodynamics  $\Rightarrow$  model mimics confinement

• "baryons" are very massive: suppressed for  $M > \mu$ . then for  $\mu > M$ ?

Phase diagram for various  $N_c$ 



weak chiral transition along quarkyonic line, might be destroyed by effect of deconf.  $\Rightarrow$  CEP

• 
$$N_c = 3, 5, 10$$



chiral CEP shifts to larger  $\mu$  when increasing  $N_c$ 

• for large but finite  $N_c = 350,400$ 



 $N_c \leq 316$ : cross over ,  $N_c \geq 317$ : 1st order  $\Rightarrow$  appearance of a CEP associated with  $Z(N_c)$  symmetry

#### Finite Nc, Nf/Nc fixed



$$e^{N_c F(N_f/N_c)}$$

Confinement is not an order parameter

Baryon number is



Maybe it looks a little like this? Maybe somewhere around the AGS there is a tricritical point where these worlds merge?

Decoupling probably occurs along at low T probably occurs between confined and quarkyonic worlds. Consistent with Cleymans-Redlich-Stachel-Braun-Munzinger observations!

#### Experiment vs. Lattice

Lattice "transition" appears above freezeout line? Schmidt '07

N.B.: small change in  $T_c$  with  $\mu$ ?



### Have we already seen the Quakryonic phase boundary, and the Triple Point?



Dashed line indicate simple models of deconfinement and quarkyonic transition

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Measured abundances fall on curve with fixed baryon chemical potential and temperature at each energy: suggests a phase transition with a rapid change in energy density

High density low T points deviate from expectations of deconfinement transition

## Marek's Horn is near position of a triple point. Well described in statistical models:





## At the triple point is where the matter changes between baryon rich and meson rich:

Peaks in strangeness abundance are qualitatively understood as due to a triple point:



 $K^+/\pi^+$  Ratio

0.10

0.05

The Non-Perturbative Fermi Surface: T. Kojo, Y. Hidaka, R. Pisarski and L. McLerran Deep in the Fermi sea, a momentum of order the Fermi momenta must be exchanged in interactions  $\alpha_S(\mu_Q) \ll 1$  $\delta K \leq \Lambda_{QCD}$  interactions are strong Near the Fermi surface, Excitations are confined and color singlet  $(M_D << \Lambda_{QCD} << \mu)$ hadronic excitation - 🟅 color singlet  $\rightarrow$  deconfined quarks

 $E = \mu_B + \Delta E, \ particle, \ k_F \sim \mu_B$  $E = \mu_B - \Delta E, \ hole, \ k_F \sim -\mu_B$ antiparticle,  $E = \mu_B + \Delta E, k_F \sim \mu_B$ 

If form a bound state with negative biding energy =>

Chiral condensate

Condensate breaks translational invariance => crystal

Chiral symmetry breaking of order  $\Lambda^2_{QCD}/\mu^2_Q$ 

Quarkyonic phase at most weakly breaks chiral symmetry

Candidates which spontaneously break Chiral Symmetry



The Quarkyonic Chiral Spiral:

Near Fermi surface, theory dimensionally reduces to 1+1 D 't Hooft model 2Nc "Goldstone Bosons" Translationally non-invariant chiral condensate Condensate breaks parity and induces a periodic electric field Implications for structure and cooling of neutron stars

• Chiral rotation evolves in the longitudinal direction:



#### M. Sadzikowski, Phys. Lett. B642, (2006), 2006 with pion condensates

