

QCD-like theories at finite density

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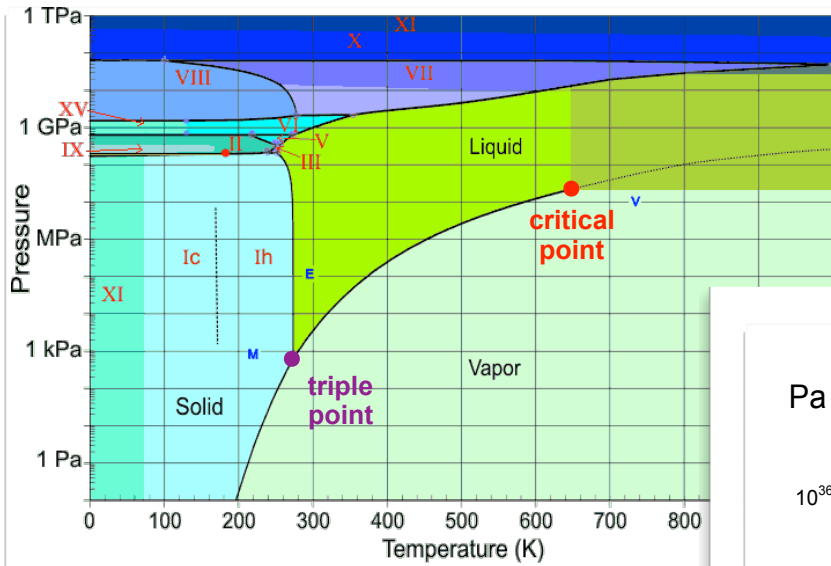


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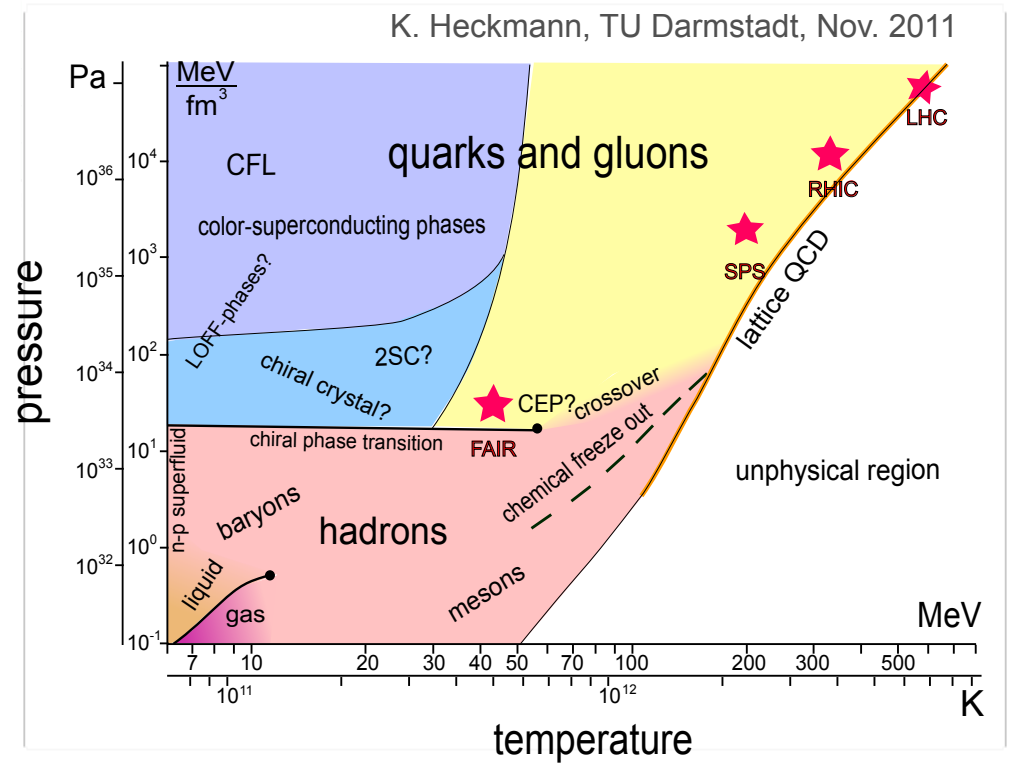
Phase Diagram



<http://www.lsbu.ac.uk/water/phase.html>

Water

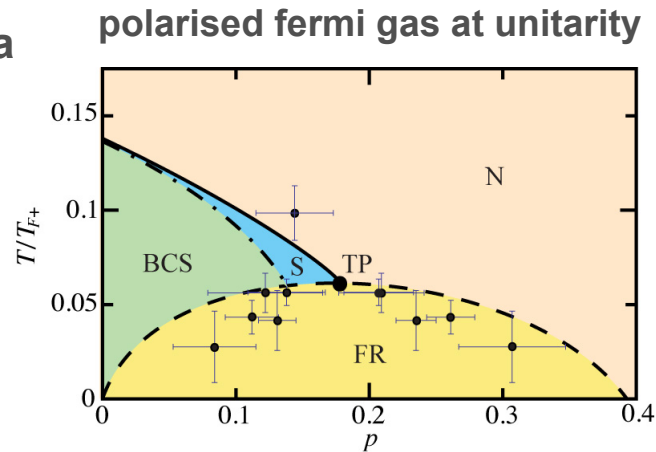
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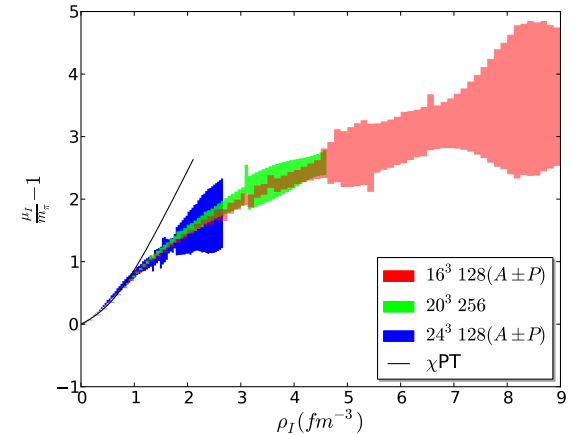
QCD-like Theories

Functional methods and effective models:

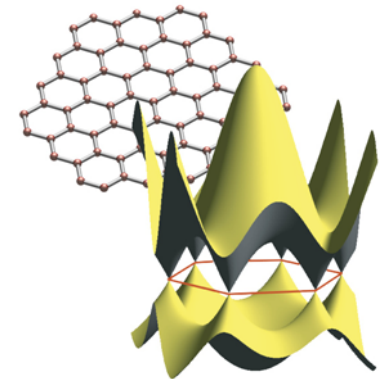
- compare with lattice simulations where there's no sign problem
- apply to ultracold fermi gases exploit analogies and more experimental data



QCD at finite isospin density



graphene



- strongly correlated fermions in 2+1 dimensions

QED₃ (semimetal-insulator transition, $N_f < 4$),

electronic properties of Graphene (half-filling, $N_f = 2$) – SFB 634

Fermion-Sign Problem

- **Dirac operator:** $D(\mu) = \gamma_\mu(\partial^\mu + iA^\mu) - \gamma^0 \mu$
↑ anti-Hermitian ↑ Hermitian

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_5 D(\mu)^\dagger \gamma_5 = D(-\mu) \quad \text{or} \quad (\text{Det } D(\mu))^* = \text{Det } D(-\mu)$$

- in general, fermion-sign problem, except if:

(a) anti-unitary symmetry $TD(\mu)T^{-1} = D(\mu)^* \quad T^2 = \pm 1$

fermion color representation:

Dyson index:

(i) pseudo-real $T = \Sigma C \gamma_5, T^2 = 1$

$$\beta = 1$$

color, $\Sigma^2 = -1$ ↑ ↑
charge conjugation, $C^2 = -1$

two-color QCD

→ B.-J. Schaefer's talk

(ii) real $T = C \gamma_5, T^2 = -1$

$$\beta = 4$$

adjoint QCD, or G₂-QCD

→ later this talk

Fermion-Sign Problem

...except if:

$$(\text{Det } D(\mu))^* = \text{Det } D(-\mu)$$

Dyson index:

(b) two degenerate flavors with isospin chemical potential

$$\beta = 2$$

fermion determinant $\rightsquigarrow \text{Det}(D(\mu_I)D(-\mu_I))$

QCD at finite isospin density

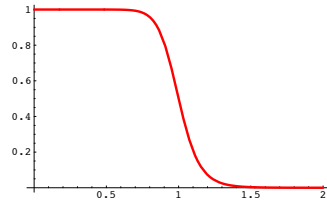
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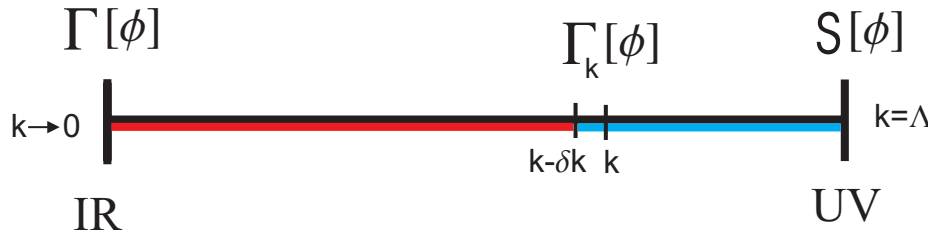
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Functional RG (Flow) Equations



Effective action:
Legendre transform

$$\Gamma[\phi_j] = (j, \phi_j) - \ln Z[j]$$



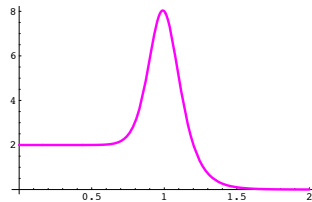
1PI vertex functions

$$\Gamma^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

grand potential

$\Omega(T, \mu)$, at

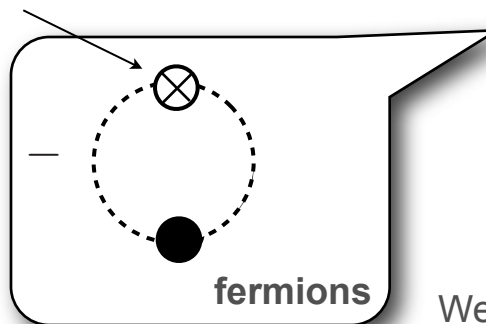
$$\phi_{\min} = \langle \phi \rangle_{T, \mu}$$



extended mean field (eMF)

$$k \partial_k \Gamma_k[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \text{[boson loop diagram]}$$

bosons



fermions

Wetterich, Phys. Lett. B 301 (1993) 90

QM Model with Isospin Chemical Potential

- $N_f = 2$ quarks & mesons with Yukawa coupling:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} = & \bar{\psi}(\not{\partial} + g(\sigma + i\gamma^5 \vec{\pi} \vec{\tau}) - \mu\gamma^0 - \mu_I \tau_3 \gamma^0)\psi \\ & + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \pi_0)^2 + U(\rho^2, d^2) - c\sigma \\ & + \frac{1}{2}((\partial_\mu + 2\mu_I \delta_\mu^0)\pi_+ (\partial_\mu - 2\mu_I \delta_\mu^0)\pi_-)\end{aligned}$$

- chemical potentials:

$$\mu_u = \mu + \mu_I \quad \mu_d = \mu - \mu_I$$

$\mu \gg \mu_I$: $\mu_I \rightsquigarrow$ imbalance between up and down

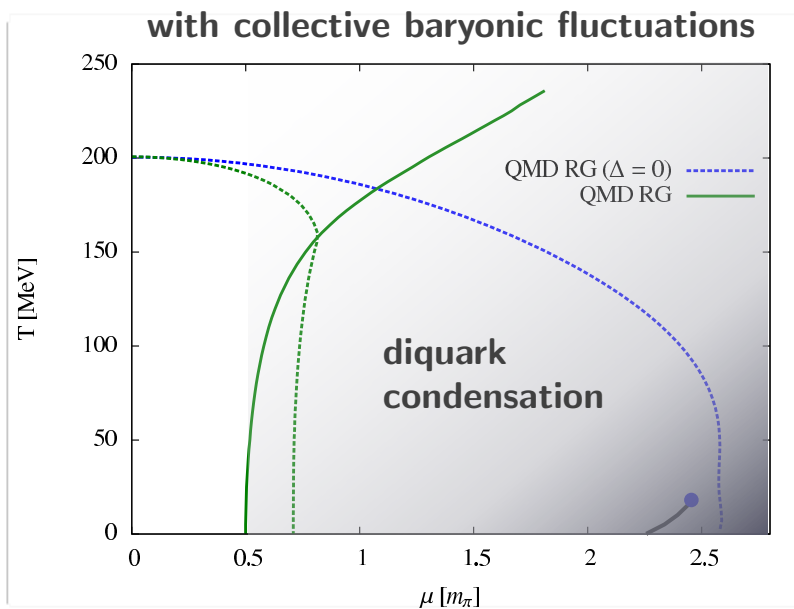
$\mu_I \gg \mu$: $\mu \rightsquigarrow$ imbalance between up and anti-down

- $\mu = 0$, map to QMD model for QC_2D :

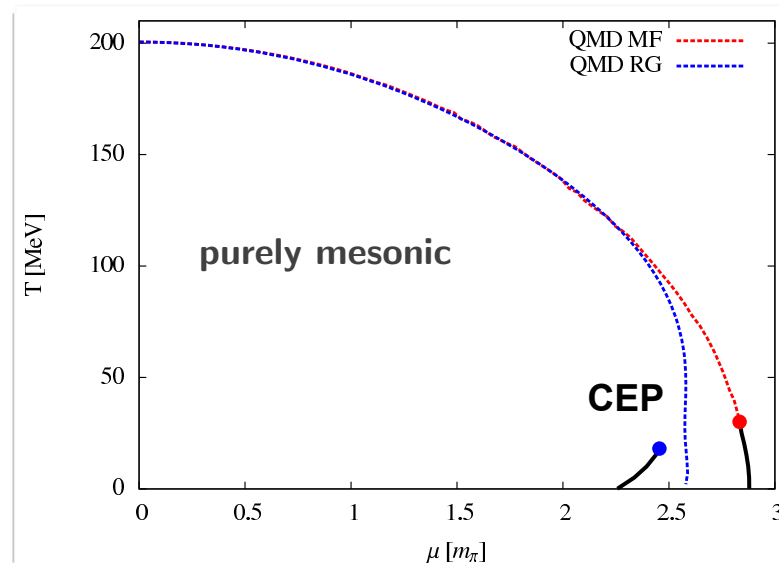
$$\begin{aligned}N_c: 3 \rightarrow 2 \quad (\psi_u, \psi_d) &\rightarrow (\psi_r, \tau_2 C \bar{\psi}_g) \quad \mu_I \rightarrow \mu \\ \pi_+, \pi_- &\rightarrow \Delta, \Delta^* \quad \pi_0 \rightarrow \vec{\pi}\end{aligned}$$

Two-Color QCD

- QMD model phase diagram



- no low- T 1st order transition,
no CEP at $\mu \sim 2.5 m_\pi$!

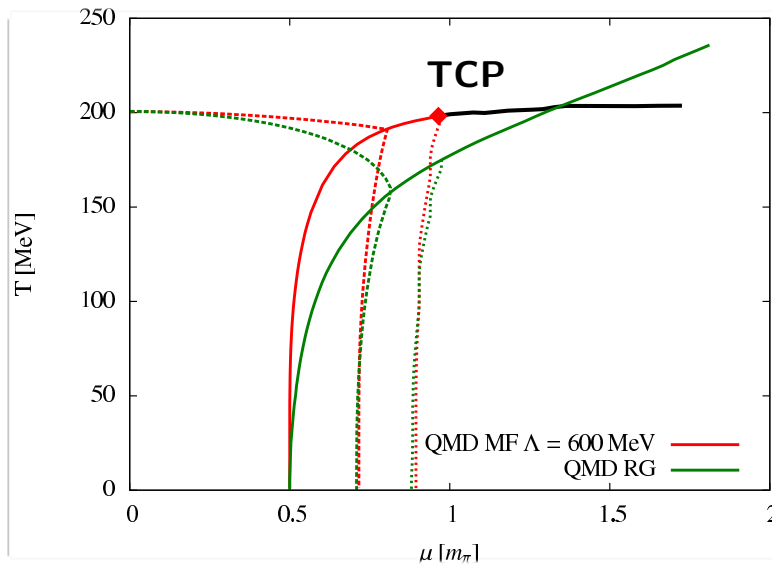


- 1st order chiral transition and CEP at
 $\mu \approx 2.5 m_\pi$

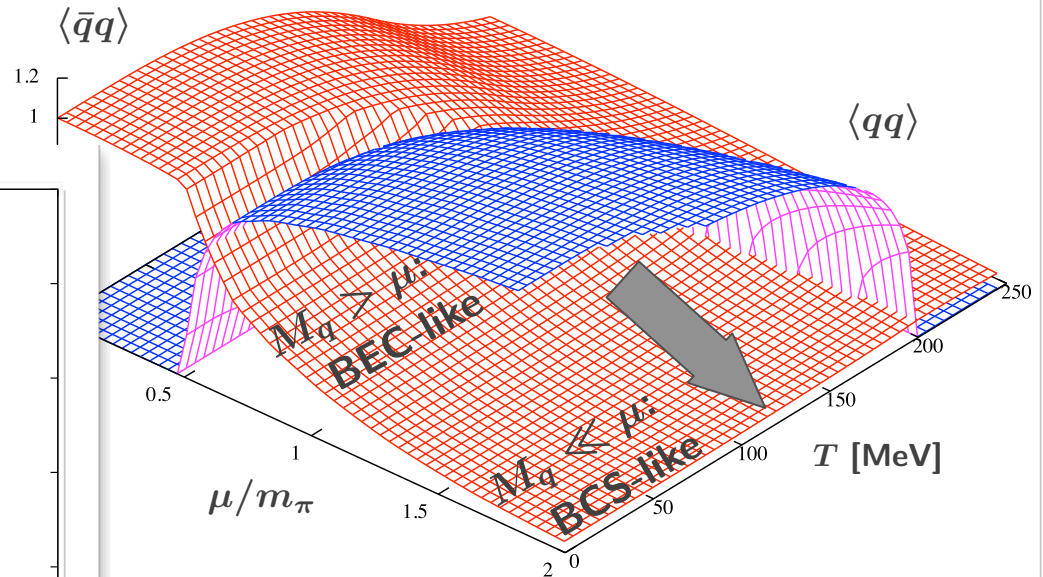
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normalised quark and diquark condensates

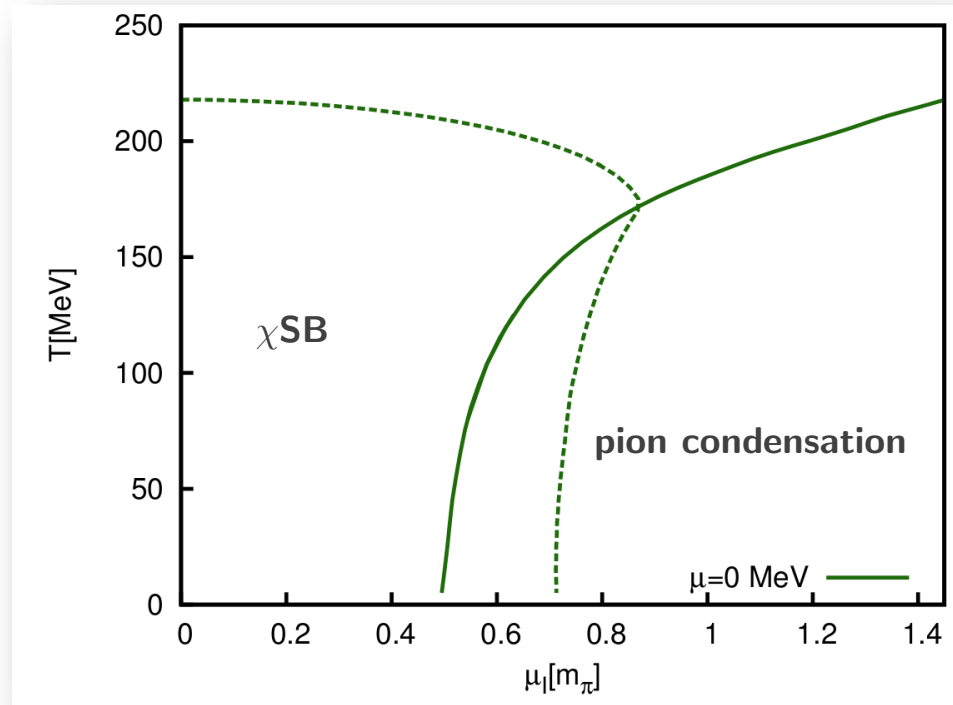


- Tricritical point predicted in:
Splittorff, Toublan & Verbaarschot,
Nucl. Phys. B 620 (2002) 290

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QCD with Isospin Chemical Potential

- QM Model with fluctuating chiral & pion condensates



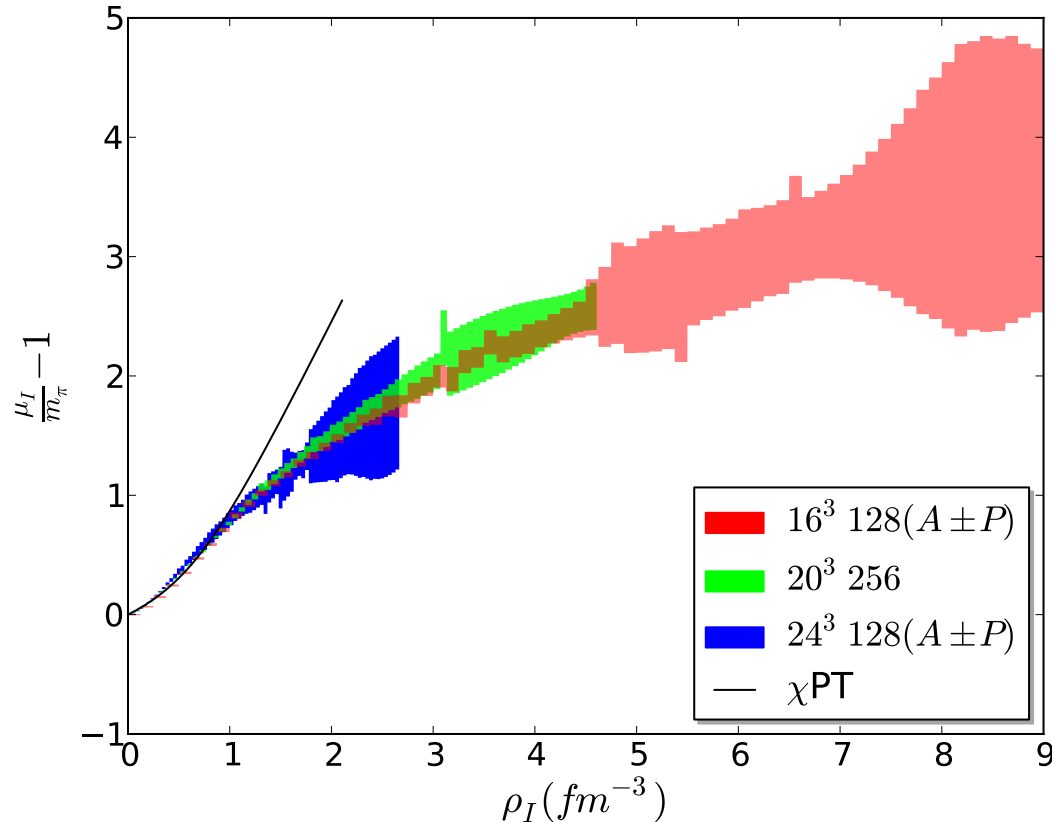
- need 2 fields in effective potential

$U = U(\rho^2, d^2)$, but replace $\rho^2 = \sigma^2 + \vec{\pi}^2$ and $d^2 = |\Delta|^2$
by $\rho^2 = \sigma^2 + \pi_0^2$ and $d^2 = \pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2 = \pi_+ \pi_-$

K. Kamikado, N. Strodthoff, L.v.S. & J. Wambach, arXiv:1207.0400

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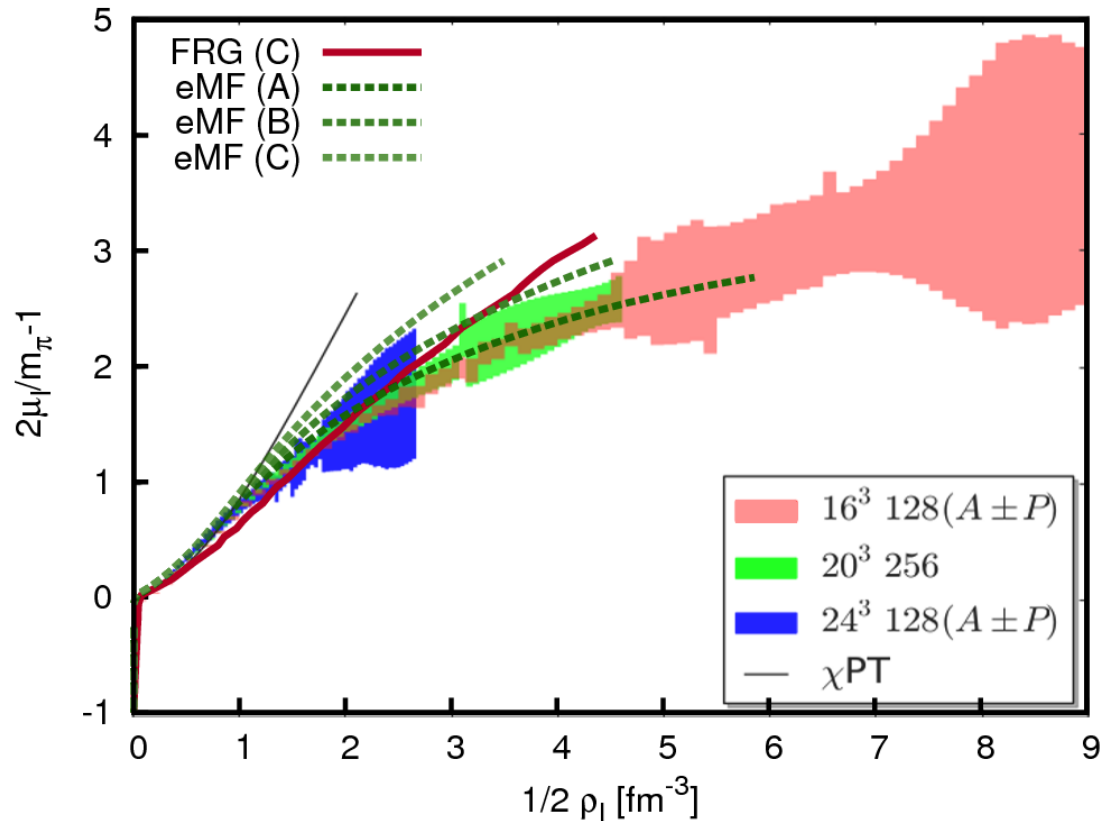
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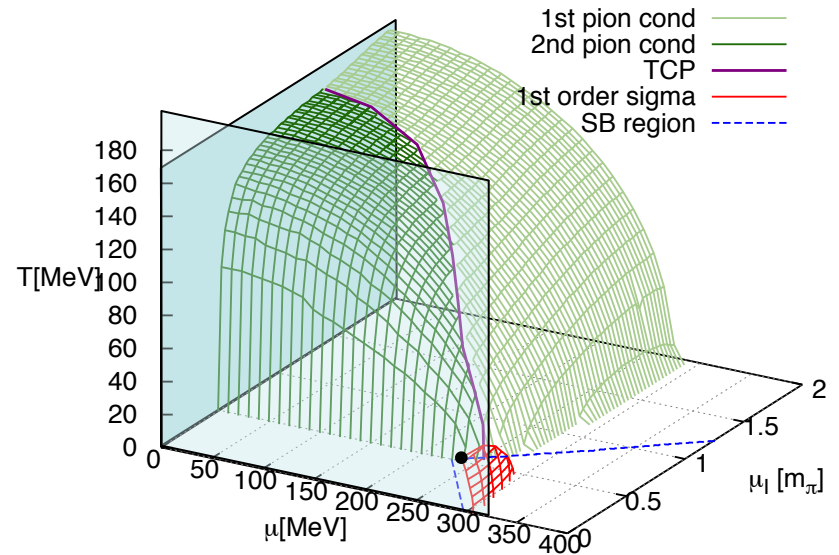
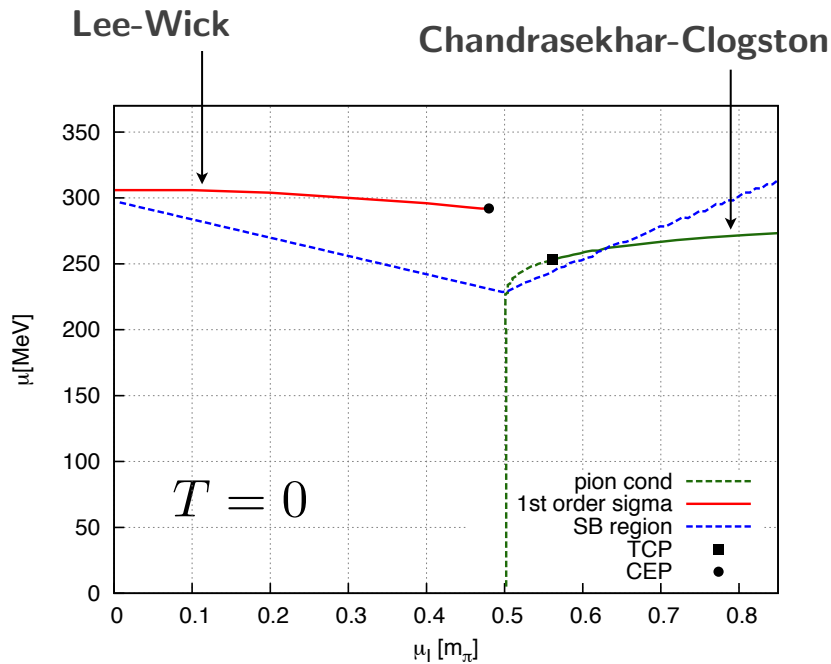
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Baryon & Isospin Chemical Potential

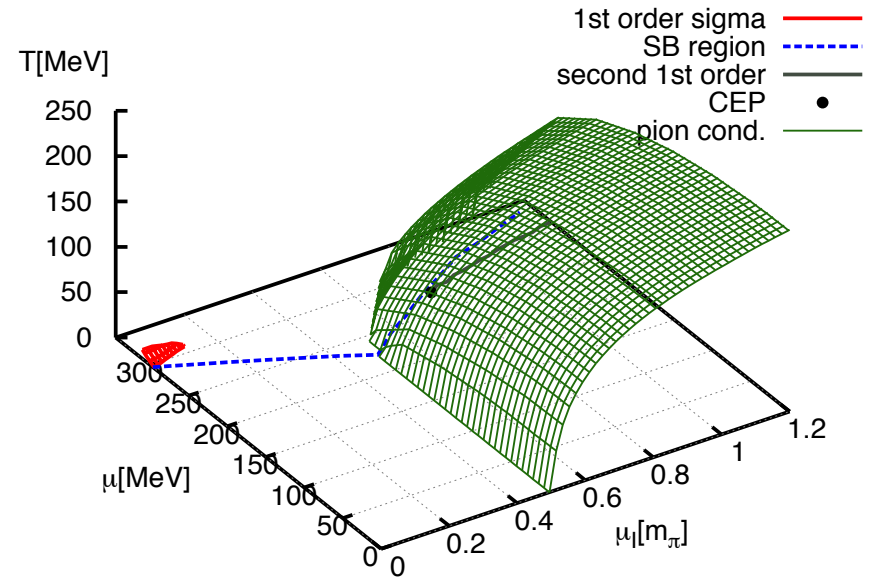
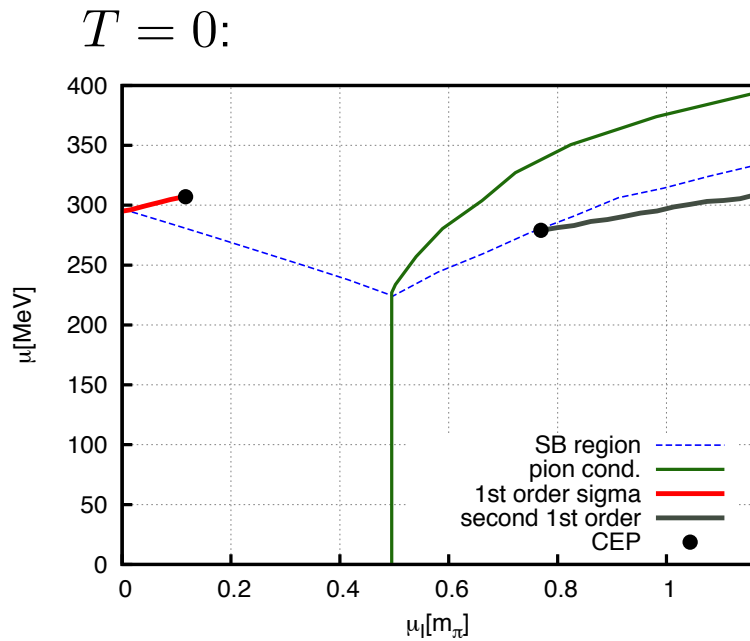
- Fermionic flow (extended mean-field):



Kamikado, Strodthoff, LvS & Wambach, arXiv:1207.0400

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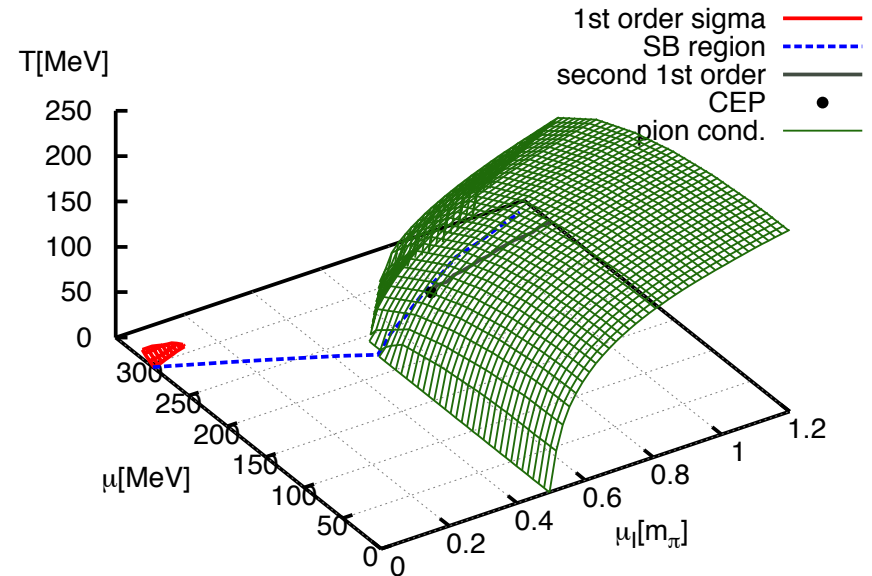
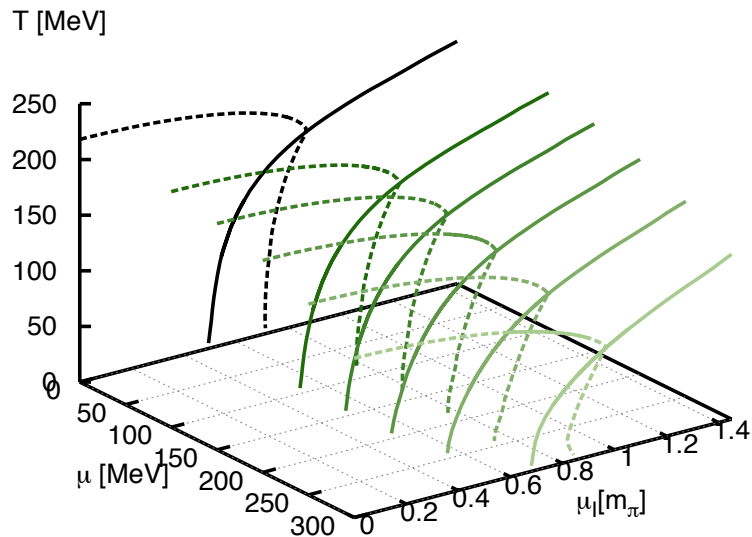
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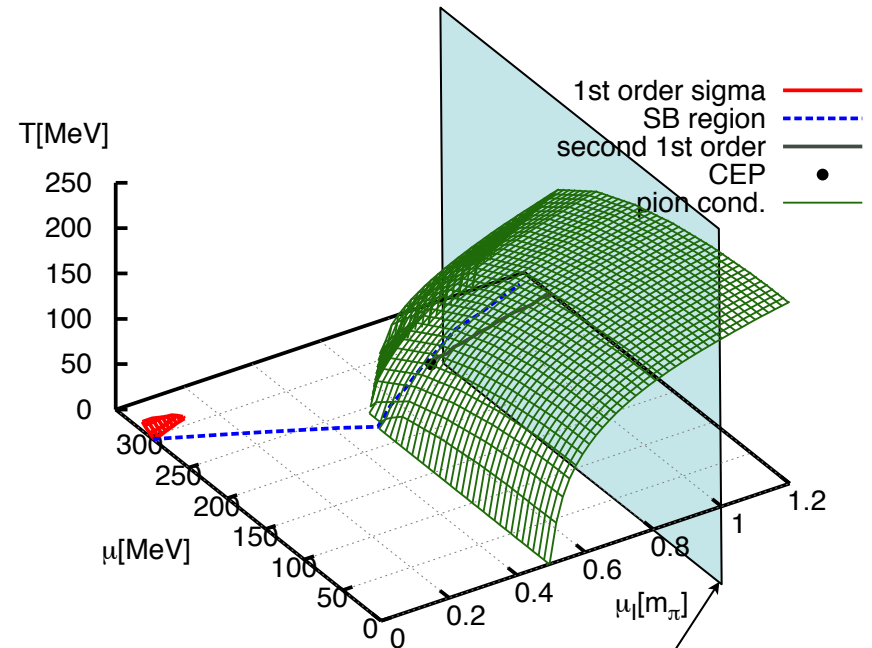
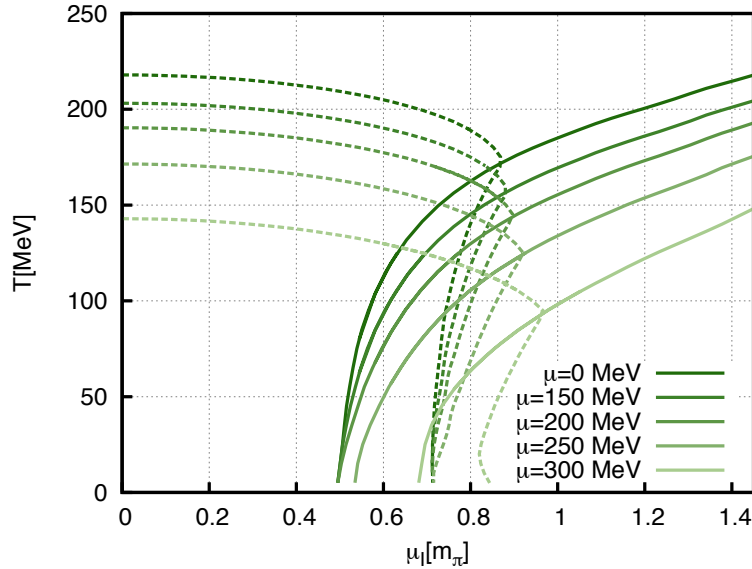
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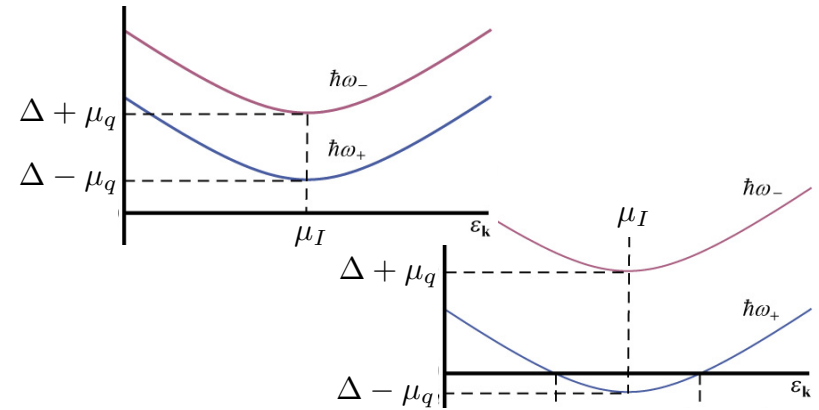
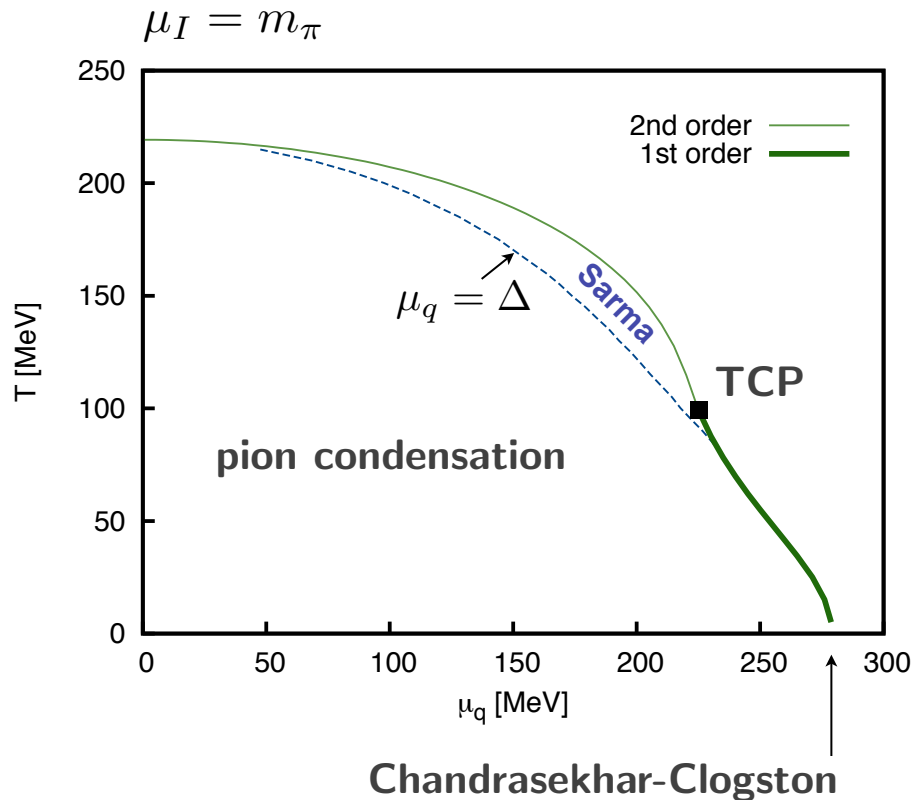
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fixed $\mu_I = m_\pi$
 μ for (up/anti-down) imbalance

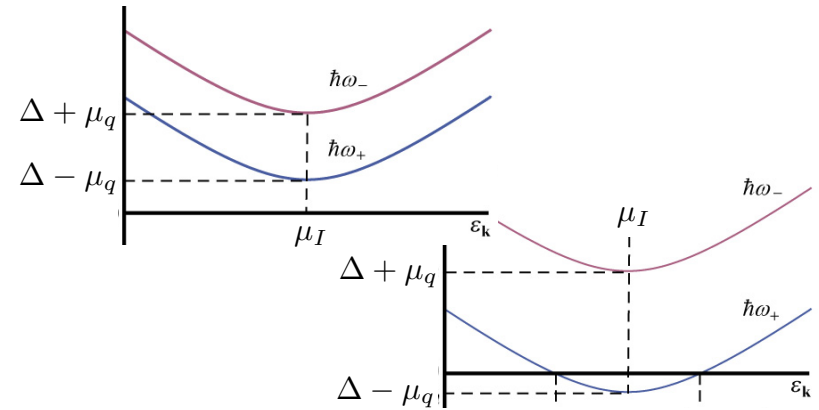
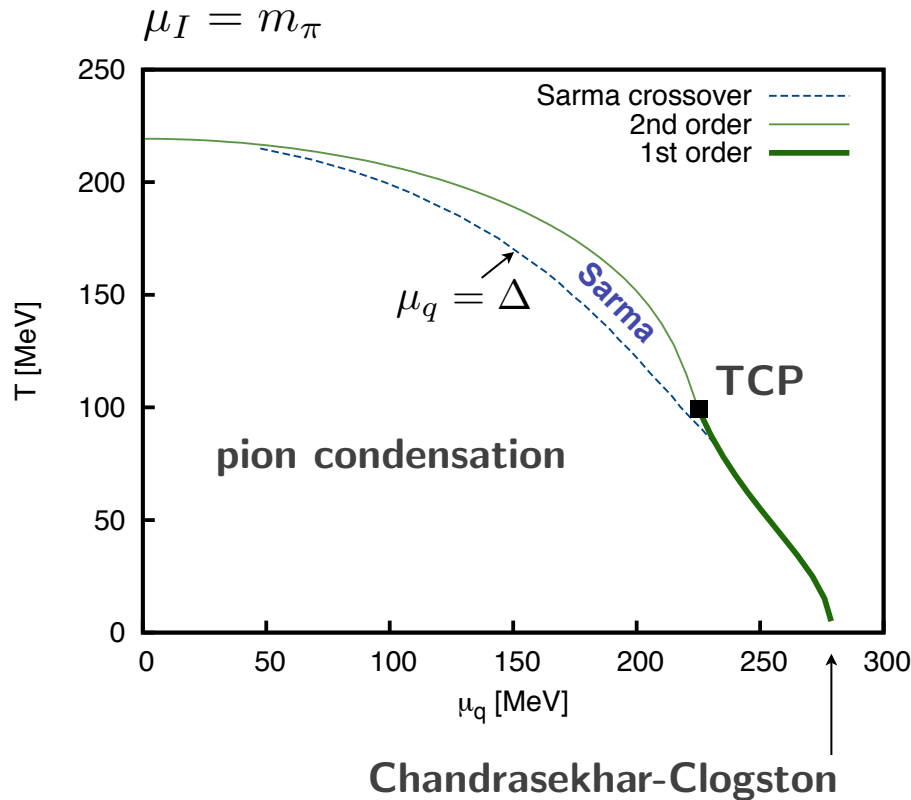
Up-Antidown Population Imbalance

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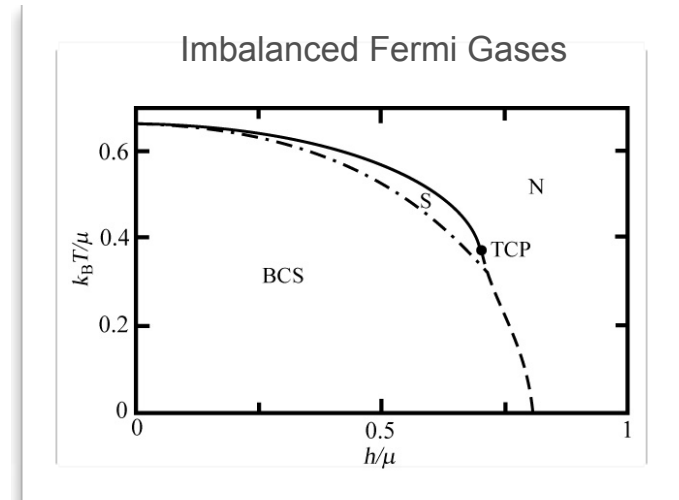


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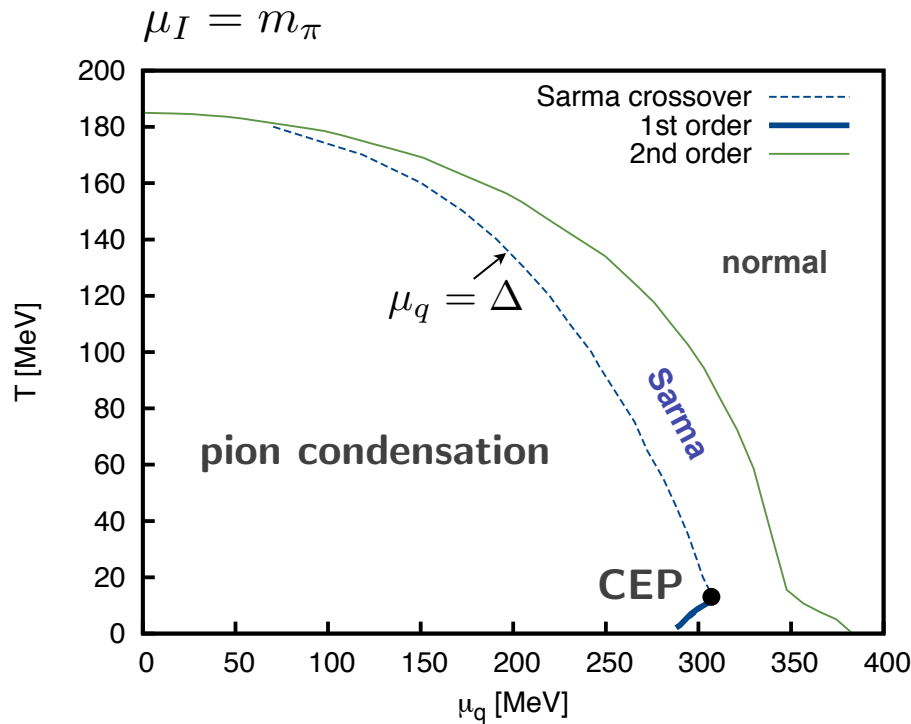
- compare:



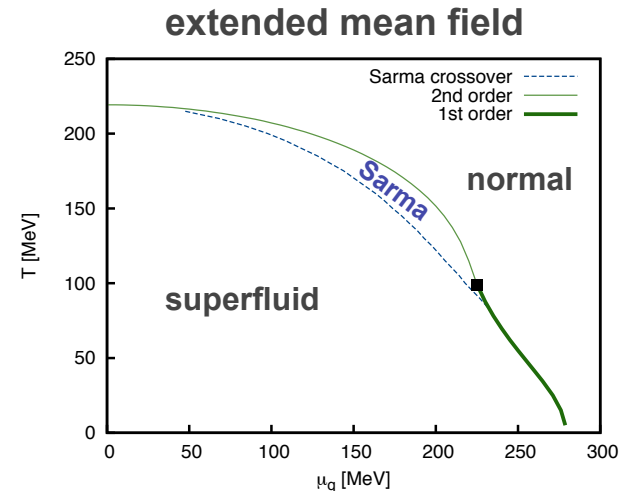
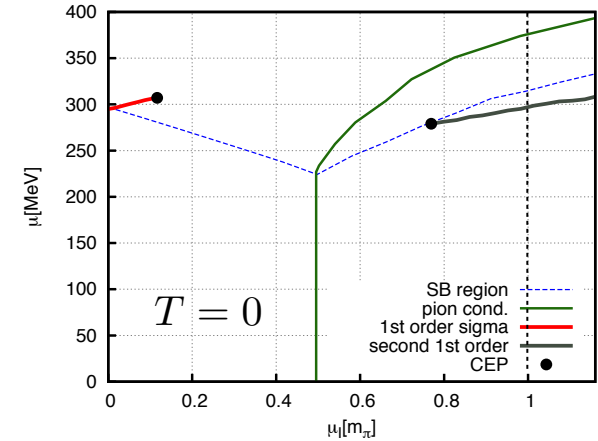
Gubbels, Stoof, arXiv:1205.0568

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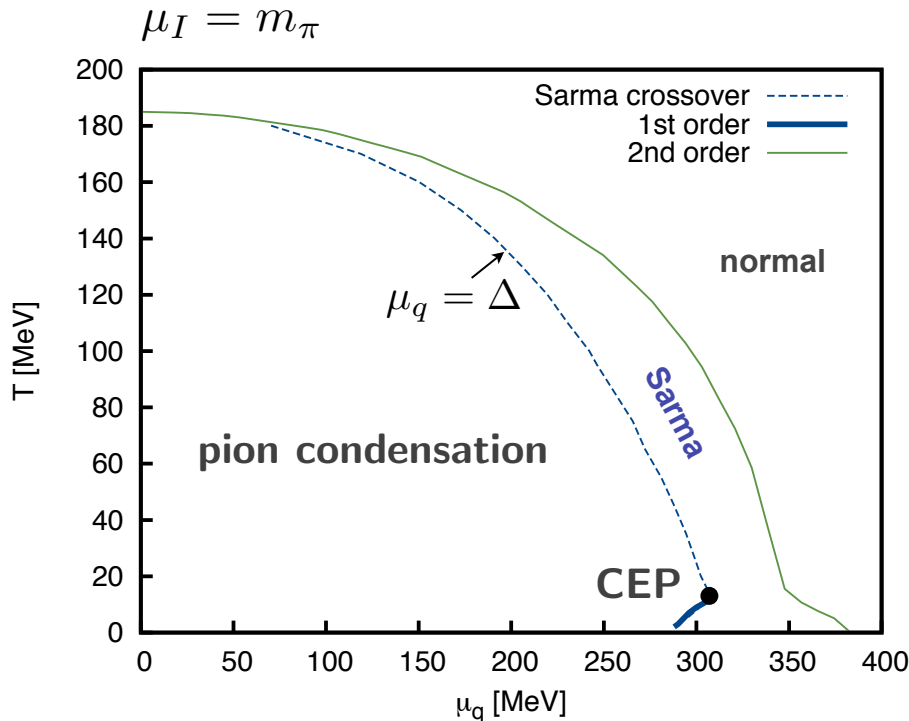


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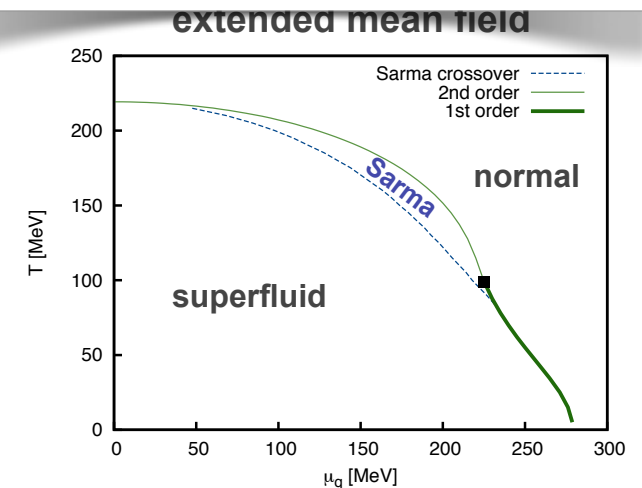
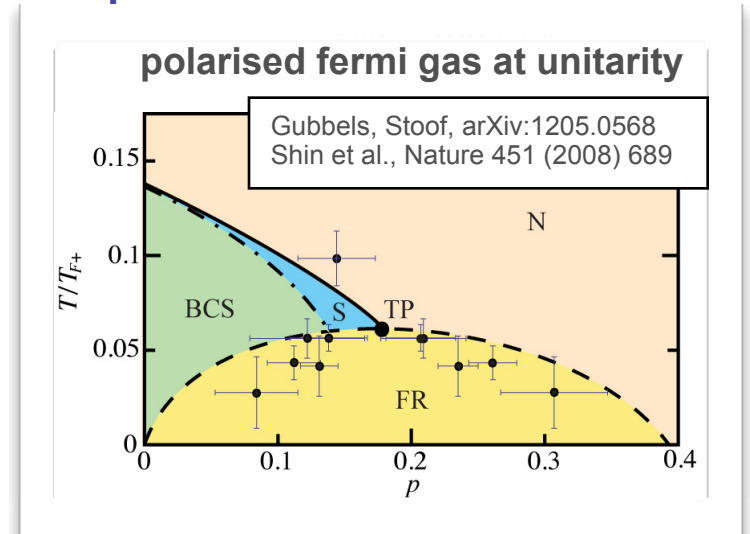
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- Full flow with mesonic fluctuations:



- stable Sarma phase down to $T = 0$
part. pol. superfluid near interface in fermi gases?
Strodthoff & LvS, in preparation

- compare:



G₂ Gauge Theory at Finite Density

G₂ is real:

Dirac operator \mathcal{D} has antiunitary symmetry S , with $S^2 = -1$ (symplectic, $\beta = 4$).

Holland, Minkowski, Pepe & Wiese, Nucl. Phys. B 668 (2003) 207
 Wellegehausen, Wipf & Wozar, Phys. Rev. D 83 (2011) 114502
 Maas, LvS, Wellegehausen & Wipf, arXiv:1203.5653

- **no sign problem**

real and positive for single flavor: $SU(2) \rightarrow U_B(1)$
 2 Goldstone bosons: scalar (anti)diquarks

- **O(3) symmetric effective potential**

$U = U(\phi^2)$ where $\vec{\phi} = (\sigma, \text{Re}\Delta, \text{Im}\Delta)$

- **diquark condensation as in QC₂D**

- **but have fermionic baryons also**

as QCD with adjoint quarks

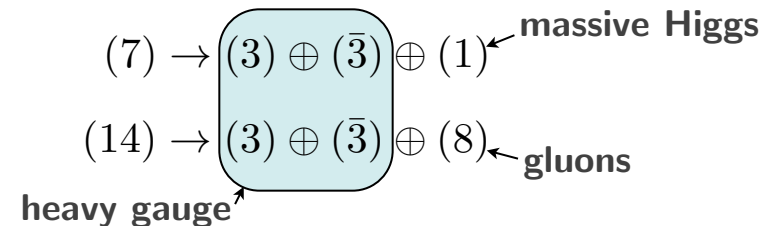
- **breaks down to QCD**

Higgs

$$G_2 \longrightarrow SU(3)$$

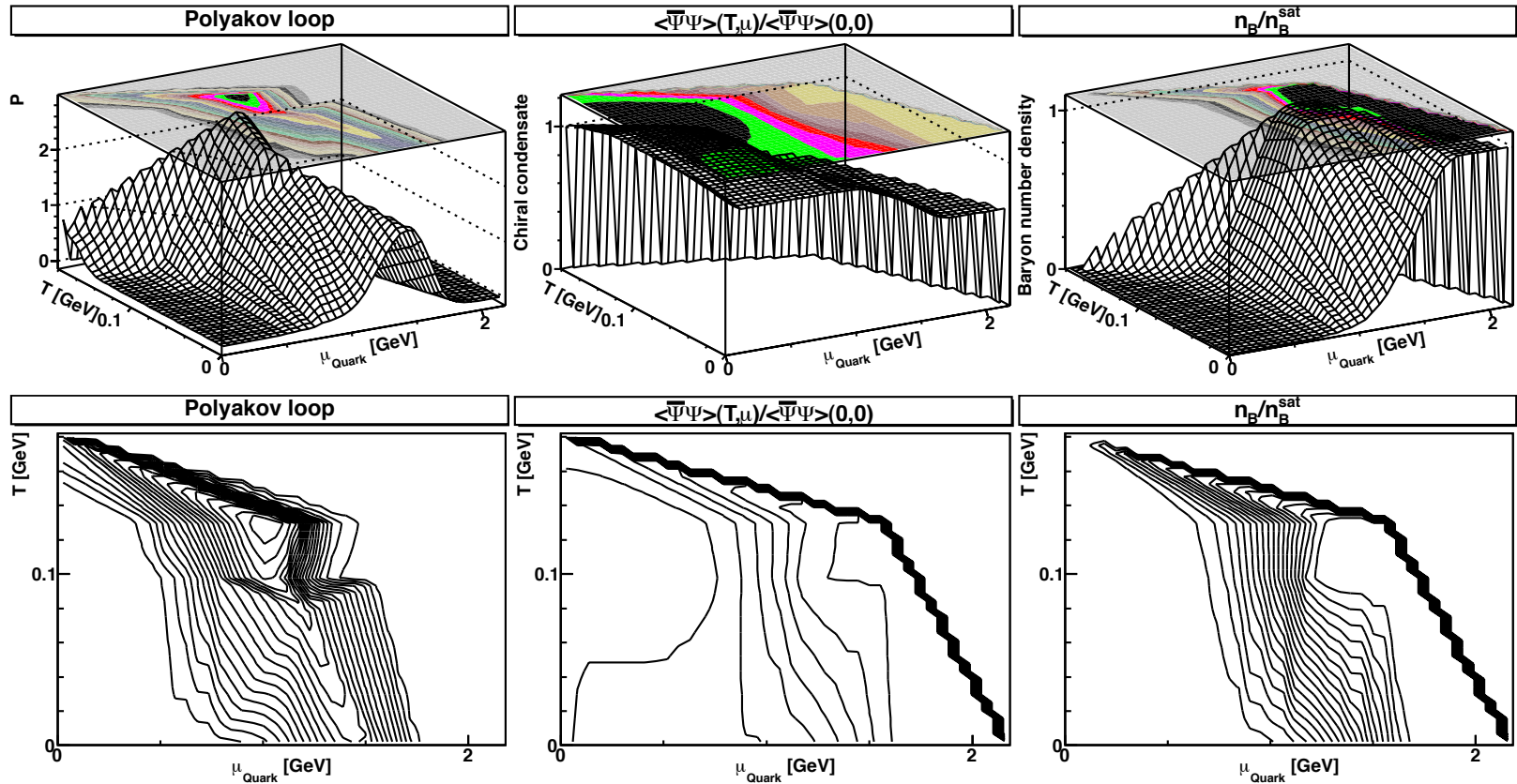
coset:

$$G_2/SU(3) \sim SO(7)/SO(6) \sim S^6$$



G₂ Gauge Theory at Finite Density

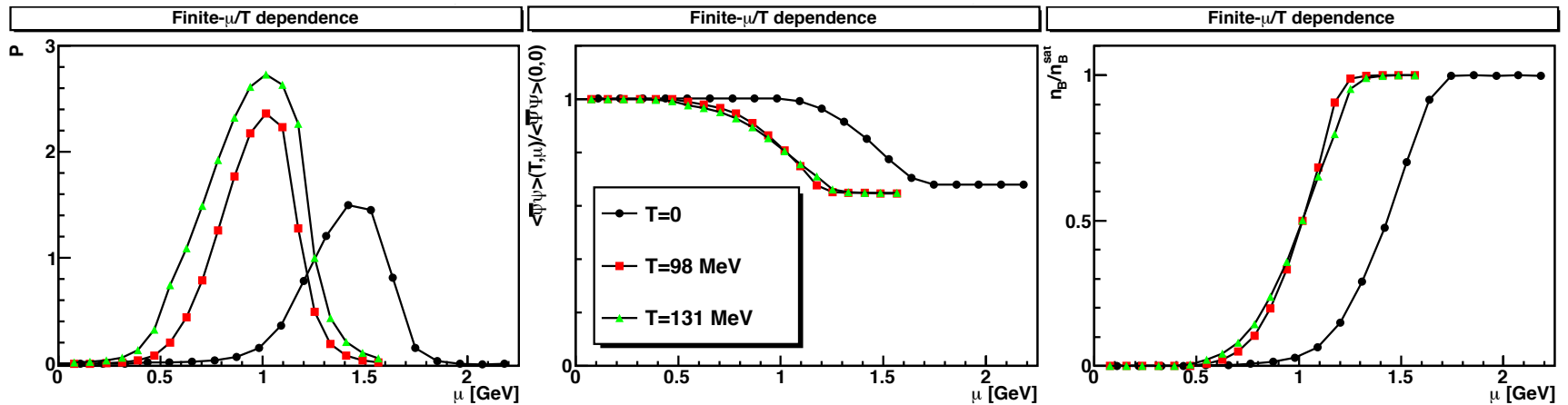
- phase diagram with 1 flavor dynamical Wilson fermion



Maas, LvS, Wellegehausen & Wipf, arXiv:1203.5653.

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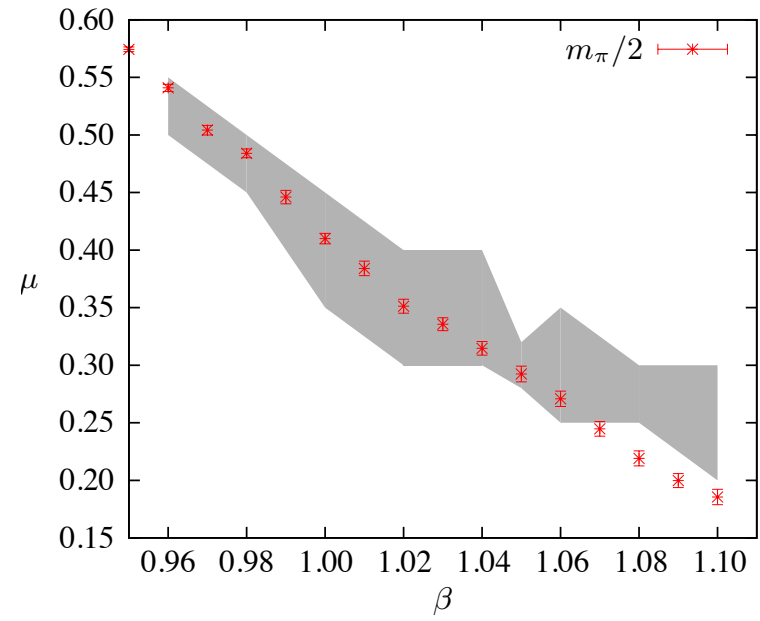
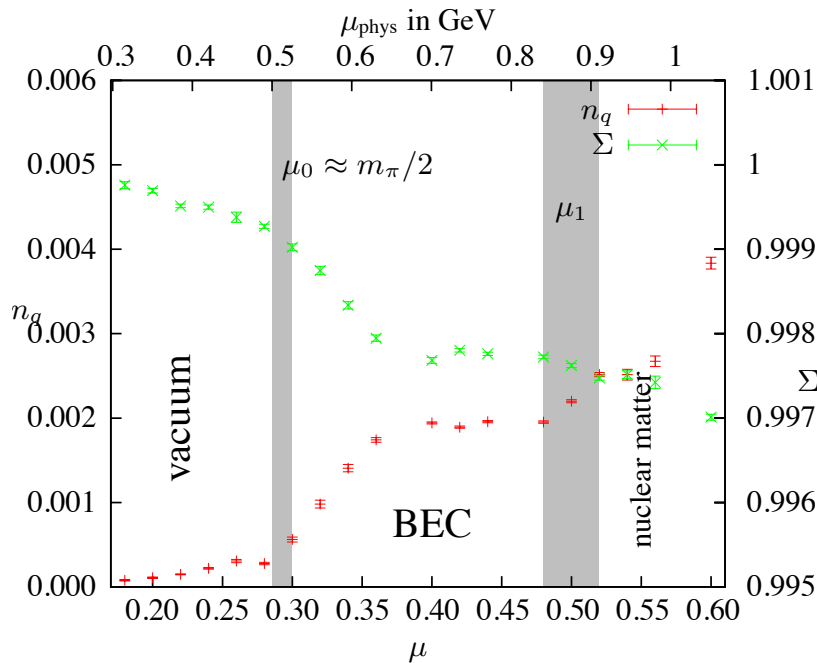
- finite baryon density (bosonic and fermionic)



Maas, LvS, Wellegehausen & Wipf, arXiv:1203.5653.

G₂ Gauge Theory at Finite Density

- onset of diquark condensation:



Bjoern Wellegehausen, PhD thesis, Jena 2012.

Summary & Outlook

- **Finite Isospin Density in QCD and Baryon Density in Two-Color QCD**

- detailed understanding of phase diagram
- functional methods and models vs. lattice MC
- analogies with ultracold fermi gases
BEC-BCS crossover, population imbalance with universal phase diagram...

- **Phase Diagram of G_2 Gauge Theory**

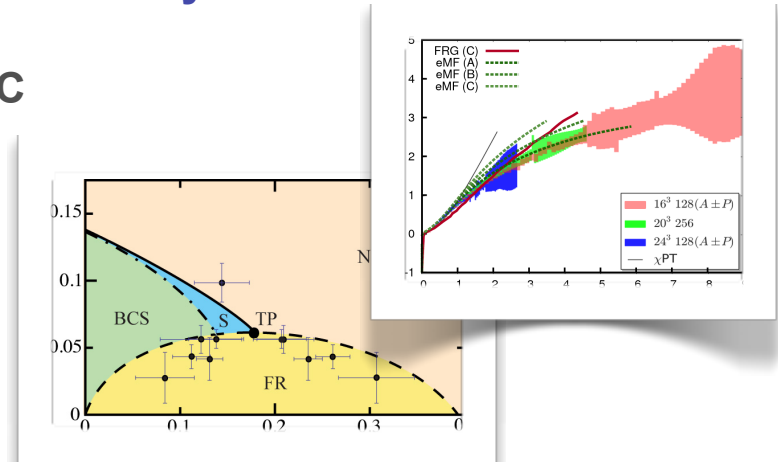
- no sign problem – fermionic baryons

- **Fermions in 2+1 Dimensions**

- quantum phase transitions, transport properties, topological aspects...

- **QCD Phase Diagram**

- refined functional methods & models, baryonic dofs, finite volume...



Thank You for Your Attention!

