

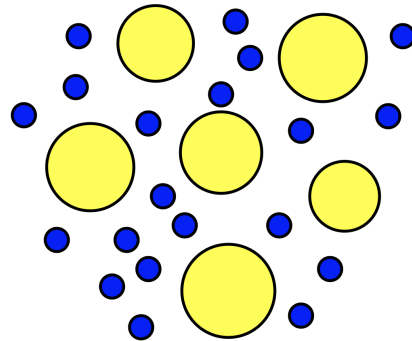
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Phase Transitions & Instabilities

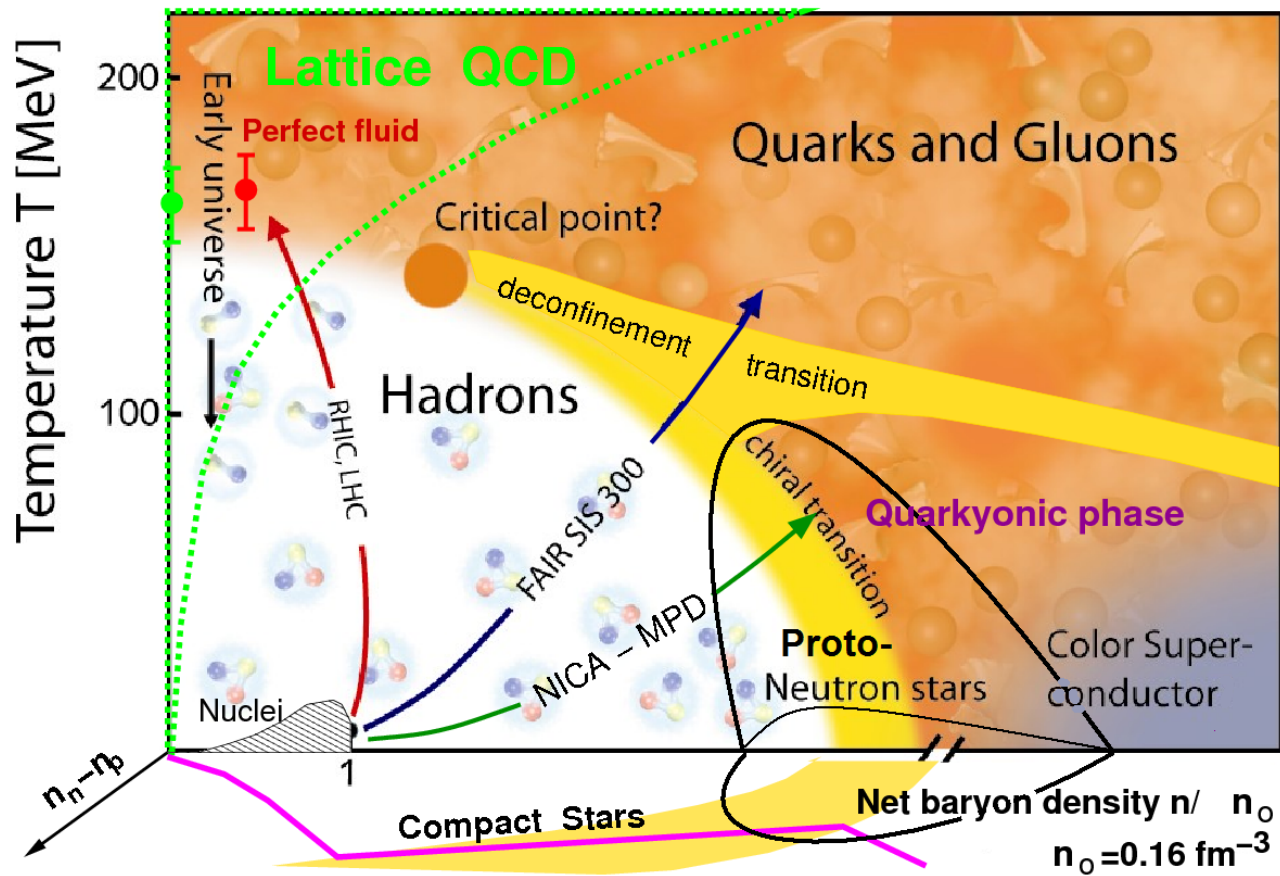
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Lecture #1: Phase coexistence

Lecture #2: Phase separation



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Phase Transitions & Instabilities

Static

Phase coexistence

Illustrative examples

Finite range effects

Phase crossing

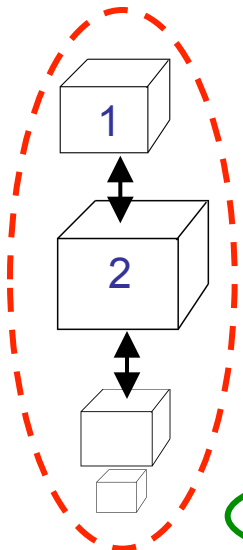
Dynamic

Mean field instabilities

Instabilities in fluid dynamics

Instabilities in chiral dynamics

Basic thermodynamics



$$\mathbf{X}_1 = \{E_1, N_1, V_1, \dots\} \Rightarrow S_1(\mathbf{X}_1)$$

$$\mathbf{X}_2 = \{E_2, N_2, V_2, \dots\} \Rightarrow S_2(\mathbf{X}_2)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \{E, N, V, \dots\} = \mathbf{X}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2 + \dots$$

$$S = S_1 + S_2 + \dots$$

$$\lambda_i^\ell \equiv \frac{\partial S_i}{\partial X_i^\ell} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lambda_i^E = \frac{\partial S_i}{\partial E_i} = \beta_i = \frac{1}{T_i} \\ \lambda_i^N = \frac{\partial S_i}{\partial N_i} = \alpha_i = -\frac{\mu_i}{T_i} \\ \lambda_i^V = \frac{\partial S_i}{\partial V_i} = \pi_i = \frac{p_i}{T_i} \end{array} \right.$$

The combined system is in equilibrium provided S has a local *maximum* - which requires $\delta S = 0$ and $\delta^2 S < 0$:

$$\delta X^\ell = \sum_i \delta X_i^\ell \doteq 0 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \delta E = 0 \\ \delta N = 0 \\ \delta V = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\delta S: \quad 0 \doteq \delta S([\mathbf{X}_i]) = \sum_i \delta S_i(\mathbf{X}_i = \bar{\mathbf{X}}_i) = \sum_{i\ell} \left(\frac{\partial S_i}{\partial X_i^\ell} \right)_{\mathbf{X}_i = \bar{\mathbf{X}}_i} \delta X_i^\ell = \sum_\ell \left(\sum_i \lambda_i^\ell \delta X_i^\ell \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1^\ell \doteq \lambda_2^\ell \doteq \dots \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} T_1 = T_2 = \dots \\ \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots \\ p_1 = p_2 = \dots \end{array} \right.$$

$$\delta^2 S: \quad 0 > \sum_i \delta^2 S_i(\mathbf{X}_i = \bar{\mathbf{X}}_i) = \sum_{i\ell_1\ell_2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 S_i}{\partial X_i^{\ell_1} \partial X_i^{\ell_2}} \right)_{\mathbf{X}_i = \bar{\mathbf{X}}_i} \delta X_i^{\ell_1} \delta X_i^{\ell_2}$$

=> Only negative eigenvalues of the entropy curvature matrices:

$$\frac{\partial^2 S_i}{\partial X_i^{\ell_1} \partial X_i^{\ell_2}}$$

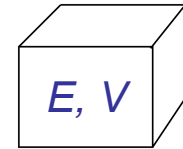
Thermodynamics with no conserved charge:

Statistical equilibrium in bulk matter



Control parameter(s) $\{X\}$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Energy } E = V\varepsilon \quad \varepsilon = E/V \\ \text{Volume } V \rightarrow \infty \end{array} \right.$$



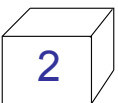
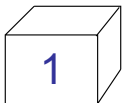
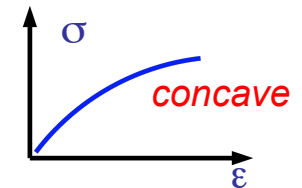
Entropy function $S\{X\}$:

$$S(E, V) = V\sigma(\varepsilon)$$

Derivative(s) $\lambda_X = \partial_X S$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \beta = 1/T = \partial_E S(E, V) = \partial_\varepsilon \sigma(\varepsilon) & \text{temperature} \\ \pi = p/T = \partial_V S(E, V) = \sigma - \beta\varepsilon & \text{pressure} \end{array} \right.$$

Thermodynamic (local) stability: $\delta^2 S_{\text{tot}} < 0$
 \Rightarrow Entropy curvature $\partial_\varepsilon^2 \sigma$ must be *negative*



Thermodynamic coexistence:
 $\Rightarrow T_1 = T_2 \quad \& \quad p_1 = p_2$

$\Leftrightarrow \sigma(\varepsilon)$ has common tangent!



First order \Leftrightarrow Phase coexistence \Leftrightarrow Spinodal instability

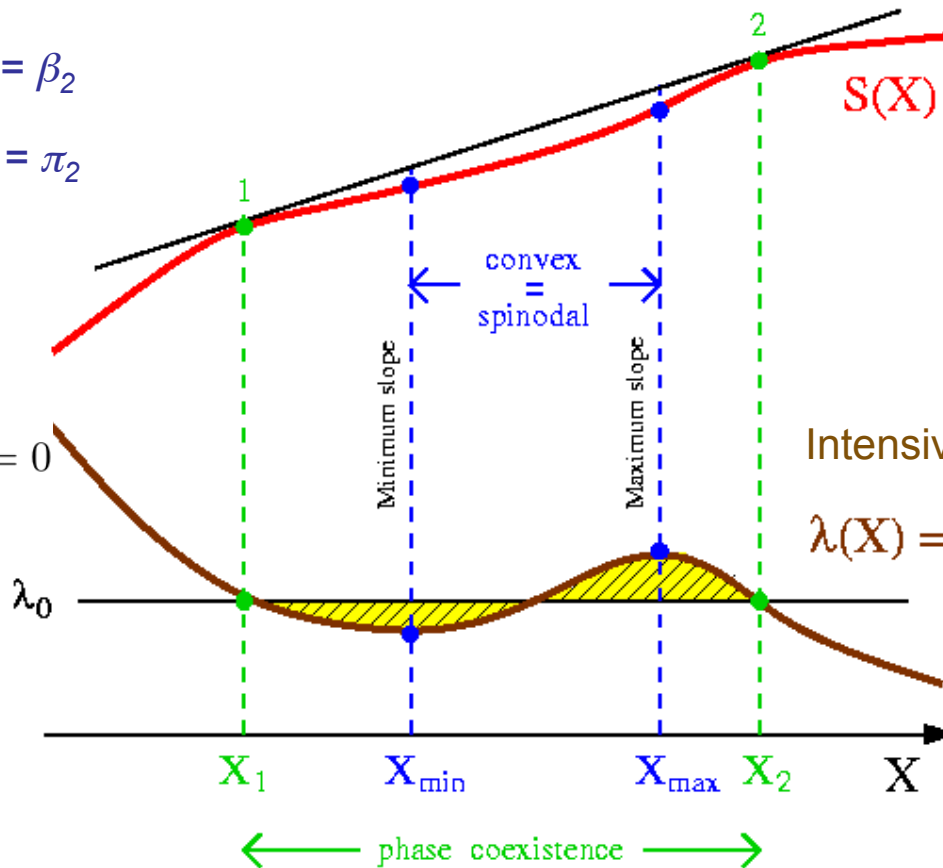
Extensive variable X
Entropy function $S(X)$

... occur when $S(X)$ is locally convex:

$$X=E: \begin{cases} \partial_\varepsilon \sigma(\varepsilon) = \beta: \beta_1 = \beta_2 \\ \pi = \sigma - \beta\varepsilon: \pi_1 = \pi_2 \end{cases}$$

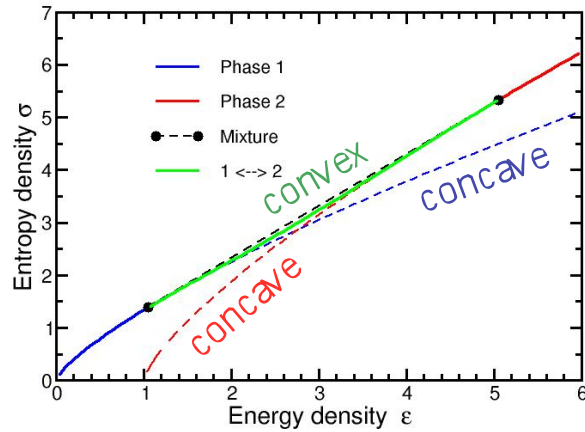
$$\int_{X_1}^{X_2} dX (\lambda(X) - \lambda_0) = 0$$

Maxwell construction:

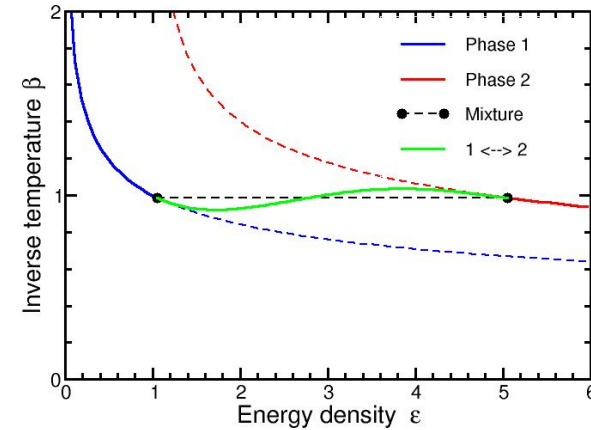


Phase transformation with no conserved charge:

Entropy density: $\sigma(\varepsilon)$

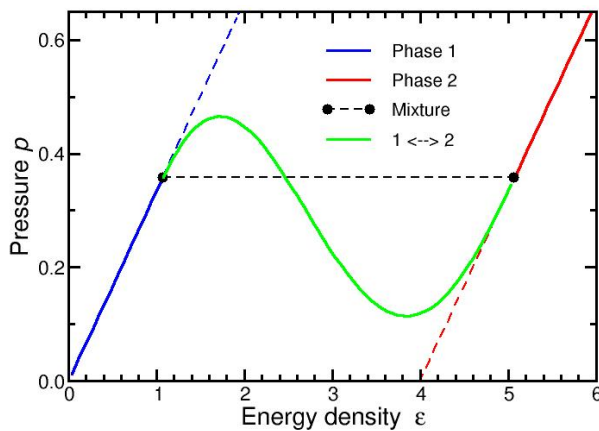


Inverse temperature: $\beta(\varepsilon) = \partial\sigma/\partial\varepsilon$

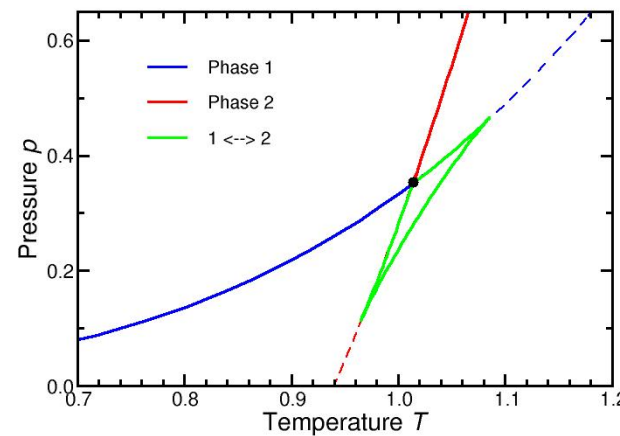


Equation of State

Pressure: $p(\varepsilon) = T\sigma - \varepsilon$



Pressure: $p(T)$



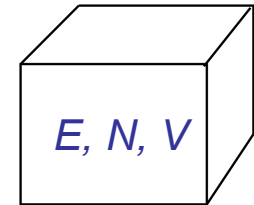
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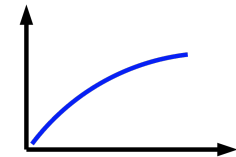
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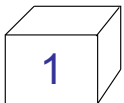


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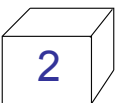
=> Curvature matrix $\{\partial_x \partial_{x'} \sigma(\varepsilon, \rho)\}$ has only *negative* eigenvalues



Thermodynamic coexistence: $\delta S_{\text{tot}} = 0$

=> $T_1 = T_2$ & $\mu_1 = \mu_2$ & $\rho_1 = \rho_2$

<=> $\sigma(\varepsilon, \rho)$ has common tangent!



Microcanonical \rightarrow Canonical:

$$\text{entropy density } \sigma(\varepsilon, \rho) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \beta(\varepsilon, \rho) = \partial_\varepsilon \sigma(\varepsilon, \rho) = 1/T(\varepsilon, \rho) & \text{temperature} \\ \alpha(\varepsilon, \rho) = \partial_\rho \sigma(\varepsilon, \rho) = -\mu(\varepsilon, \rho)/T(\varepsilon, \rho) & \text{chemical potential} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} p(\varepsilon, \rho) = \sigma T - \varepsilon + \mu\rho & \text{pressure} \\ h(\varepsilon, \rho) = p + \varepsilon & \text{enthalpy density} \end{cases}$$

Canonical representation: only $\langle E \rangle$ is specified

Then replace S by $S' = S - \beta E$ and require $\delta S' = 0$ & $\delta^2 S' < 0$

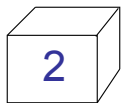
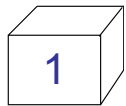
Or, equivalently, consider $F = -TS' = E - TS$ and require $\delta F = 0$ & $\delta^2 F > 0$

free
energy
density

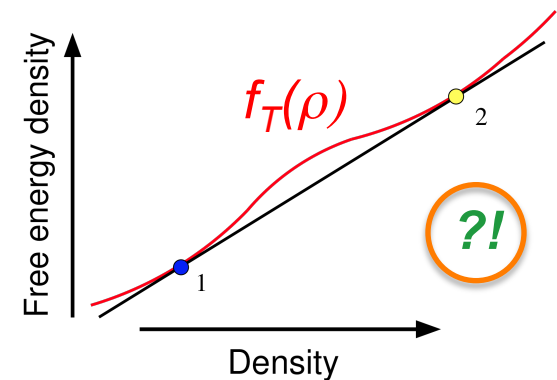
$$f_T(\rho) \equiv \varepsilon_T(\rho) - T\sigma_T(\rho) = \mu_T(\rho)\rho - p_T(\rho)$$

$$\mu_T(\rho) = \partial_\rho f_T(\rho)$$

$$\sigma_T(\rho) = -\partial_T f_T(\rho)$$



Phase coexistence $\Leftrightarrow f_T(\rho)$ has common tangent!



Phase Transitions & Instabilities

Phase coexistence

Illustrative examples

Finite range effects

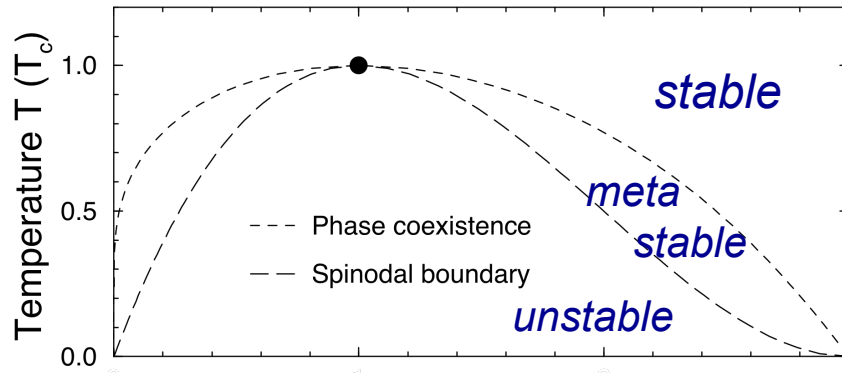
Phase crossing

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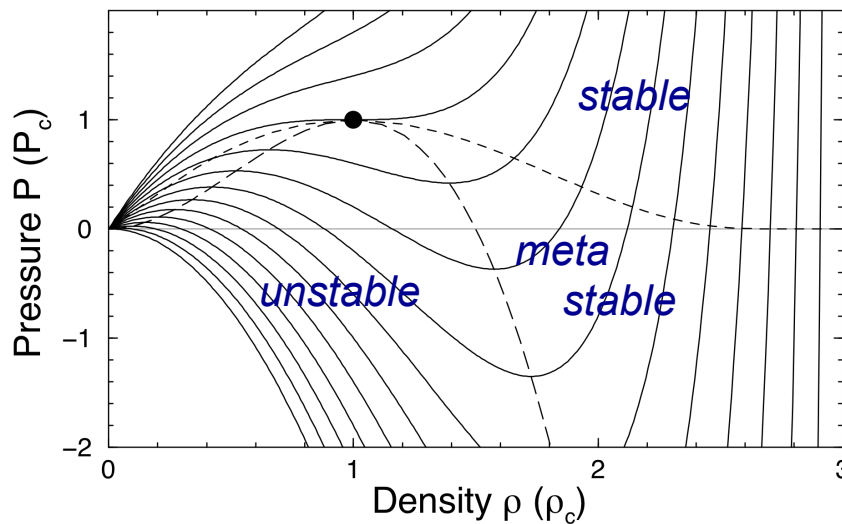
Instabilities in fluid dynamics

Instabilities in chiral dynamics

Van der Waals fluid



Phase Diagram



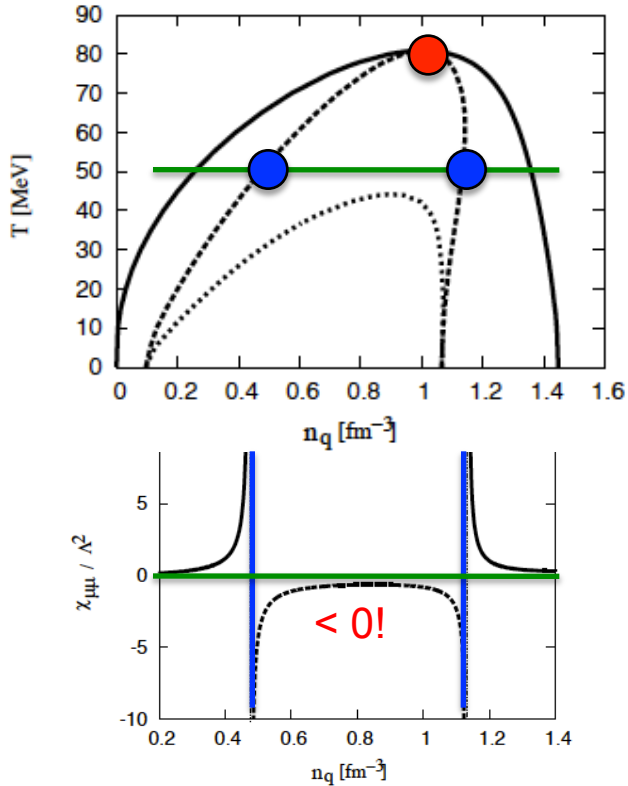
Equation of State:

$$p = \frac{\rho T}{1 - b\rho} - a\rho^2$$



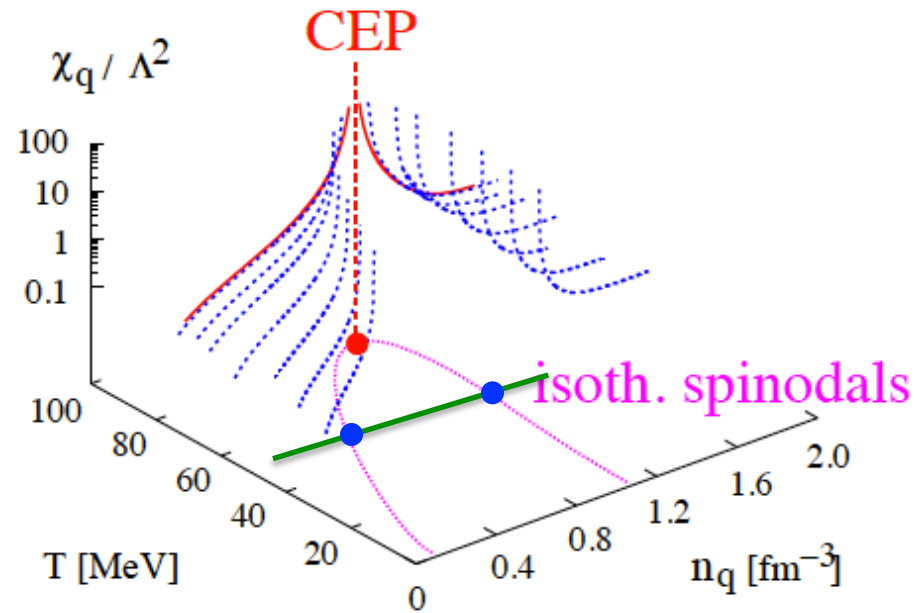
Density fluctuations in the presence of spinodal instabilities

C. Sasaki, B. Friman, K. Redlich, Phys. Rev. Lett. 99, 232301 (2007)



Nambu – Jona-Lasino model:

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}(i\partial - m + \mu\gamma_0)\psi + G_S \left[(\bar{\psi}\psi)^2 + (\bar{\psi}i\vec{\tau}\gamma_5\psi)^2 \right]$$



Net quark number susceptibility at $T=50$ MeV as a function of the quark number density across the first-order phase transition

The net quark number susceptibility in the stable and meta-stable regions

Inclusion of interaction energy

Entropy density of non-interacting system: $\sigma_{\text{free}}(\varepsilon, \rho)$

Interaction-energy density:

$$w(\rho)$$

Entropy density with interaction included: $\sigma(\varepsilon, \rho) \doteq \sigma_{\text{free}}(\varepsilon - w(\rho), \rho)$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \beta(\varepsilon, \rho) = \frac{\partial \sigma(\varepsilon, \rho)}{\partial \varepsilon} = \frac{\partial \sigma(\varepsilon - w(\rho), \rho)}{\partial \varepsilon} = \beta_{\text{free}}(\varepsilon - w(\rho), \rho) \\ \alpha(\varepsilon, \rho) = \frac{\partial \sigma(\varepsilon, \rho)}{\partial \rho} = \frac{\partial \sigma(\varepsilon - w(\rho), \rho)}{\partial \rho} = \alpha_{\text{free}}(\varepsilon - w(\rho), \rho) - \beta_{\text{free}}(\varepsilon - w(\rho), \rho) \partial_{\rho} w(\rho) \end{array} \right.$$

Chemical potential is shifted: $\mu(T; \rho) = \mu_{\text{free}}(T; \rho) + \partial_{\rho} w(\rho)$

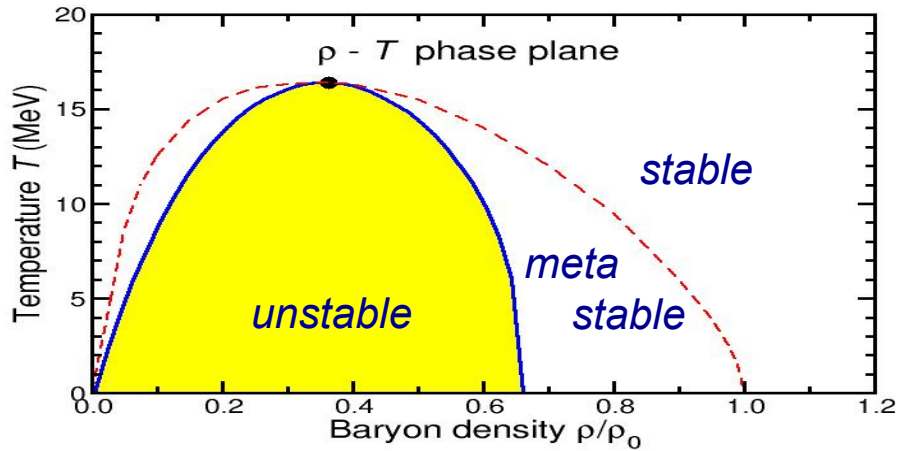
Free energy density is shifted: $f = \varepsilon - T\sigma = f_{\text{free}} + w$

Note: $\partial_{\rho} f(T; \rho) = \partial_{\rho} f_{\text{free}}(T; \rho) + \partial_{\rho} w(\rho) = \mu_{\text{free}}(T; \rho) + \partial_{\rho} w(\rho) = \mu(T; \rho)$

Pressure is augmented by $p_{\text{int}}(\rho) = \rho \frac{\partial w}{\partial \rho} - w(\rho) = \rho^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \frac{w}{\rho}$ since

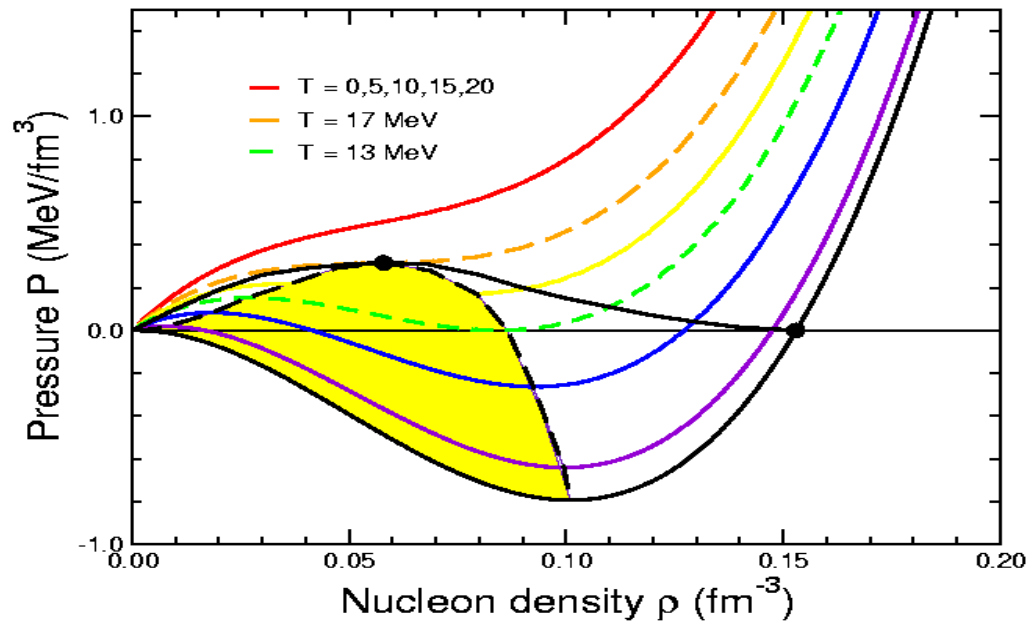
$$p = \rho\mu - f = \rho(\mu_{\text{free}} + \partial_{\rho} w) - (f_{\text{free}} + w) = (\rho\mu_{\text{free}} - f_{\text{free}}) + (\rho\partial_{\rho} w - w) = p_{\text{free}} + p_{\text{int}}$$

Nuclear matter



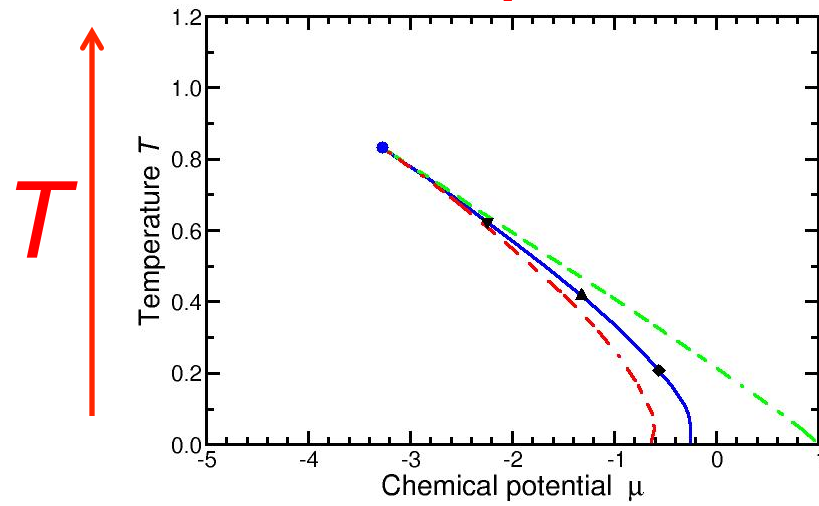
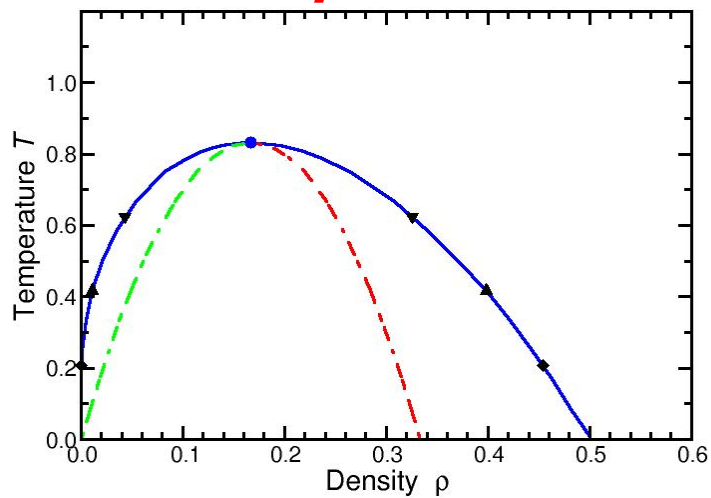
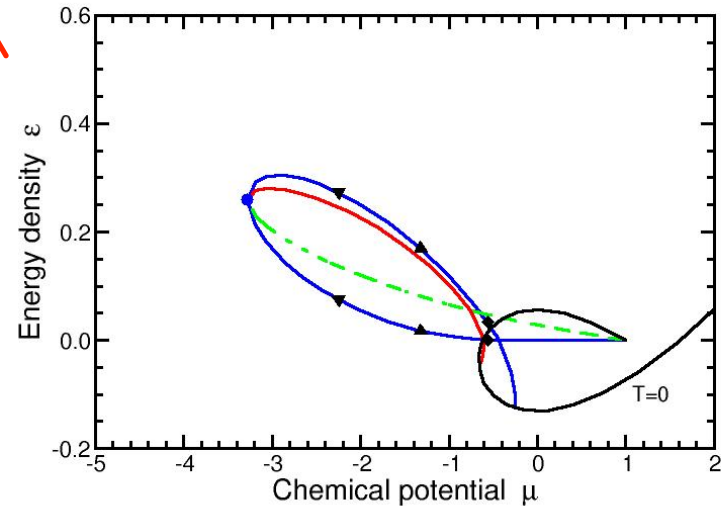
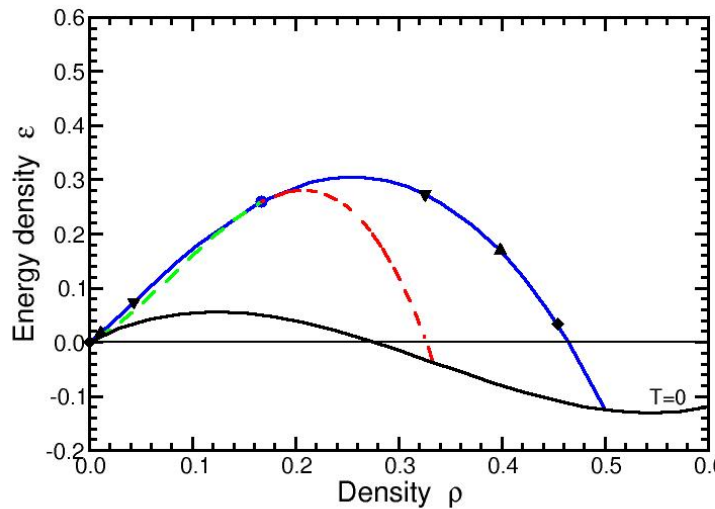
Phase diagram

$$\varepsilon(T; \rho) = \varepsilon_{\text{FG}}(T; \rho) + w(\rho)$$



Equation of state:
 $p_T(\rho)$

Nuclear phase diagram in different representations



Iisentropic changes

Entropy density: $\sigma(\varepsilon, \rho)$

Energy density: ε

Net baryon density: ρ

Temperature: $T(\varepsilon, \rho) = 1/\sigma_\varepsilon$

Chemical potential: $\mu(\varepsilon, \rho) = -T\sigma_\rho$

Pressure: $p(\varepsilon, \rho) = T\sigma - \varepsilon + \mu\rho$

Enthalpy density: $h(\varepsilon, \rho) = p + \varepsilon$

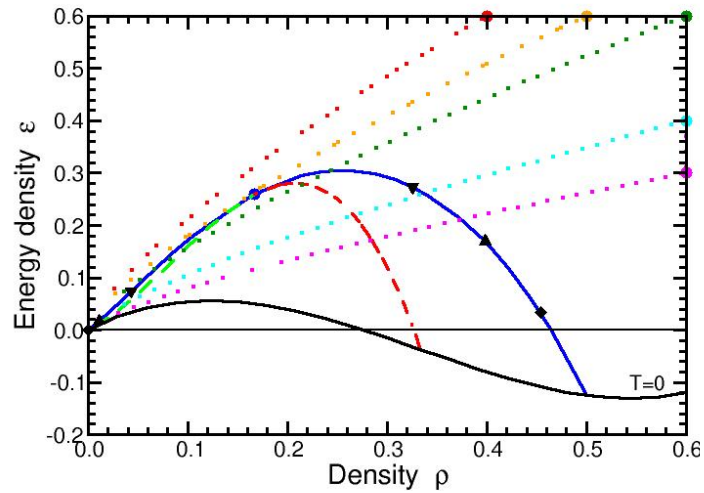
Entropy per (net) baryon: $s(\varepsilon, \rho) = \sigma/\rho$

Changes: $(\delta\varepsilon, \delta\rho) \Rightarrow \delta s :$

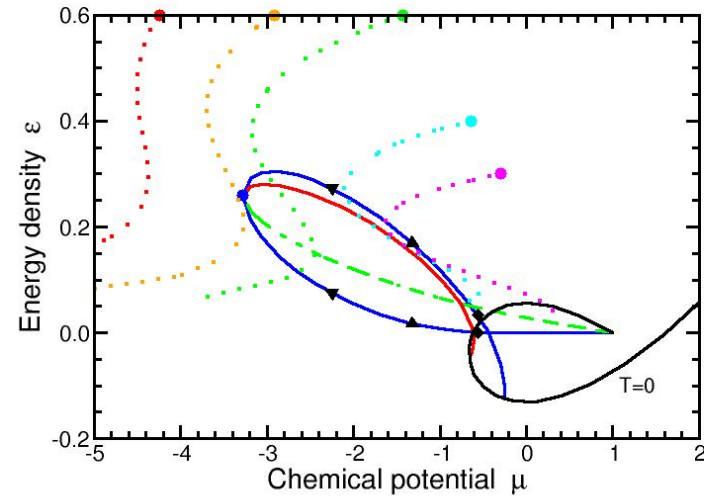
$$\rho^2 T \delta s = \rho^2 T \delta(\sigma/\rho) = \rho T \delta\sigma - T\sigma\delta\rho = \rho\delta\varepsilon - \mu\rho\delta\rho - [h - \mu\rho]\delta\rho = \rho\delta\varepsilon - h\delta\rho$$

$$\delta s = 0 \Rightarrow \rho\delta\varepsilon = h\delta\rho$$

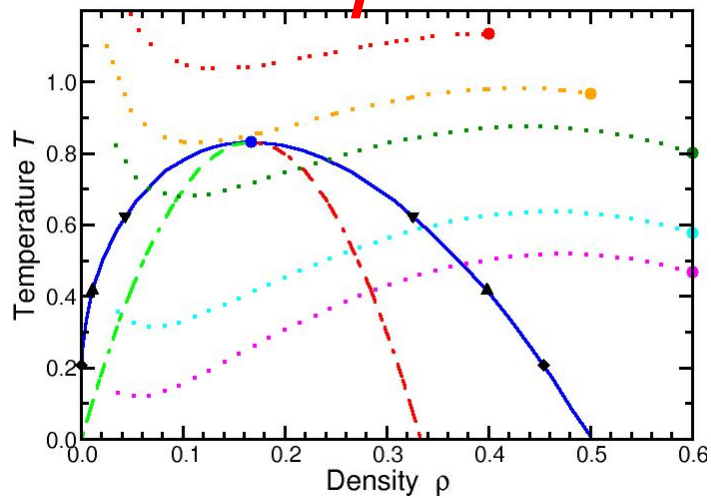
Isentropic phase trajectories in different representations



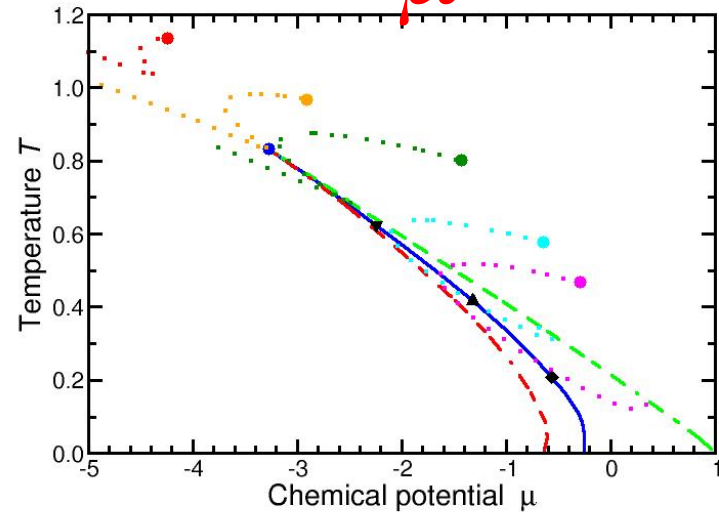
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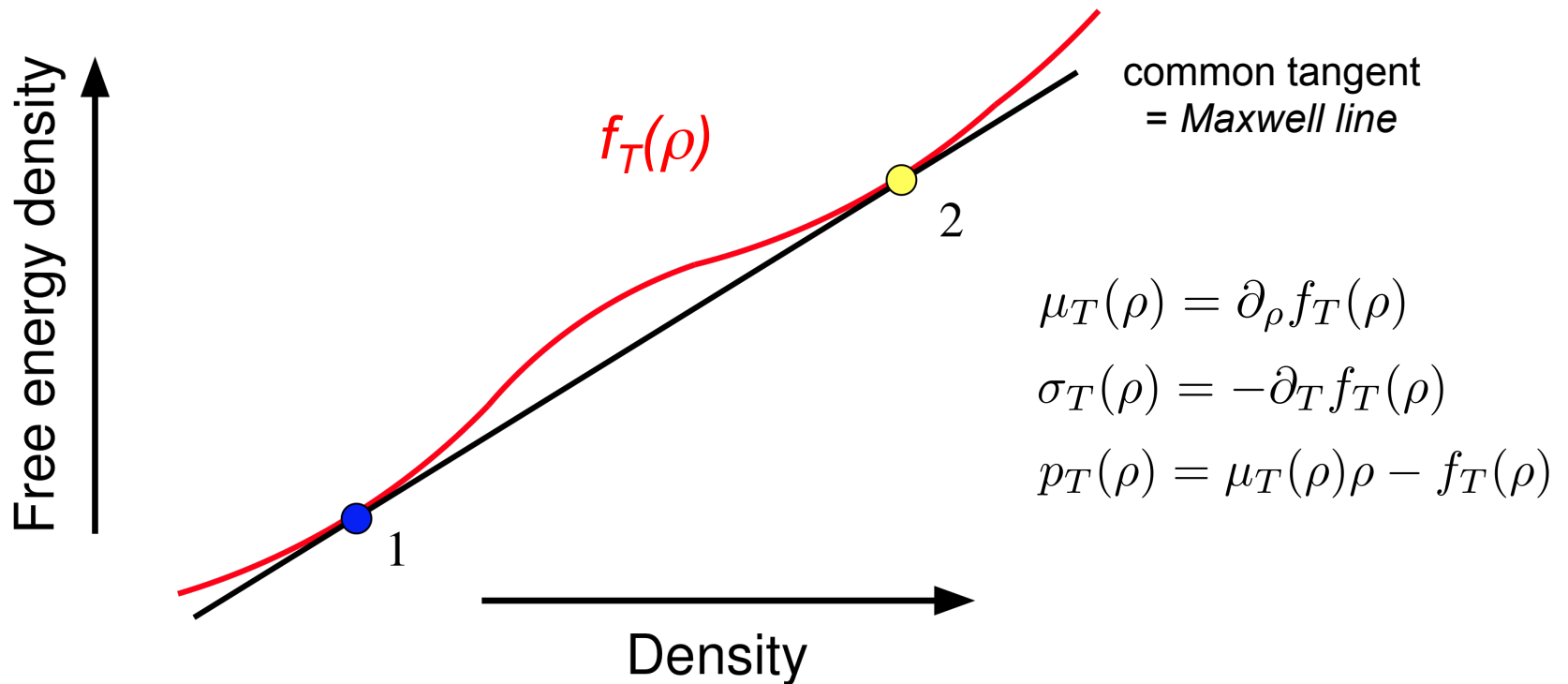
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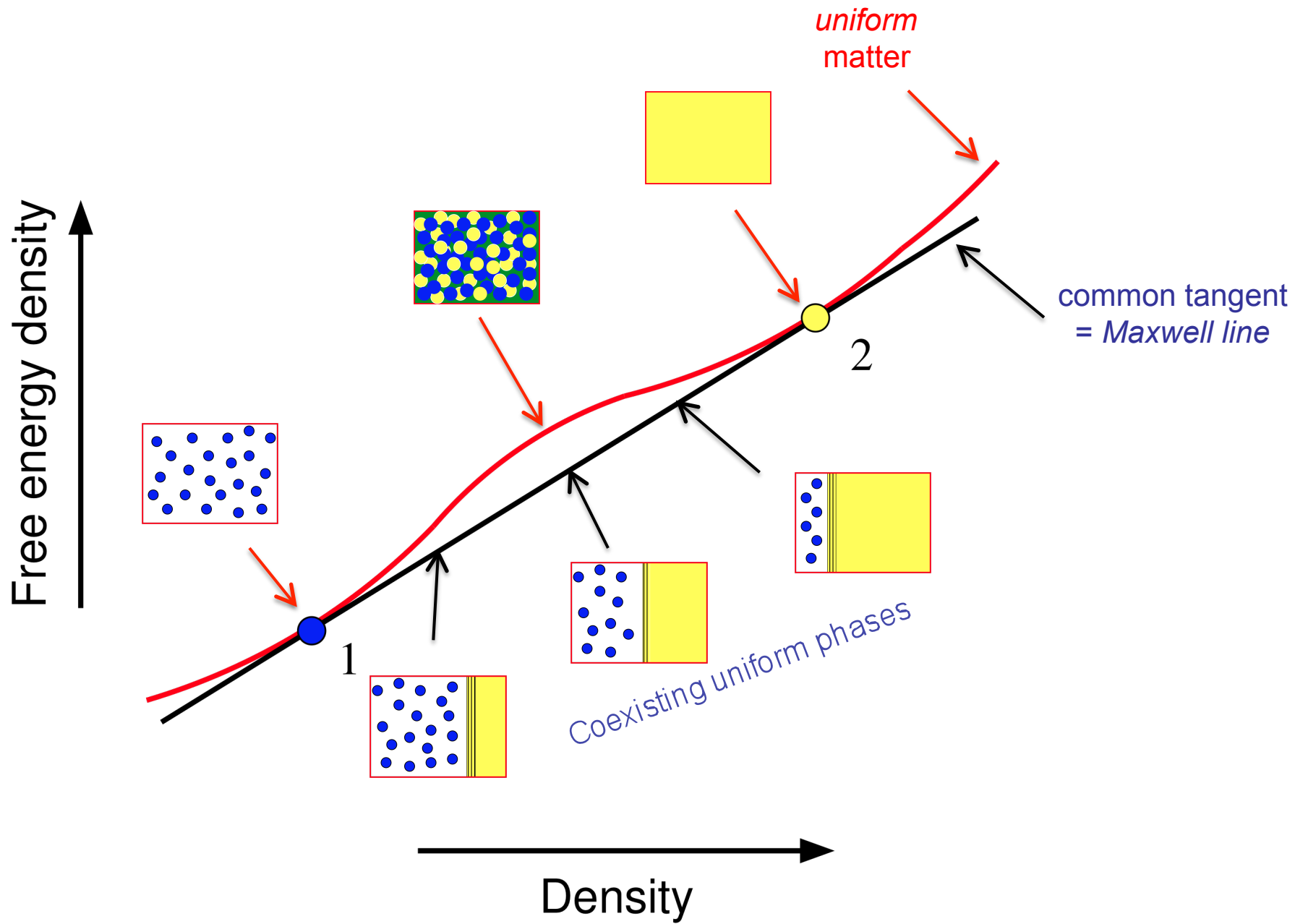
Canonical description: T specified

Free
energy
density

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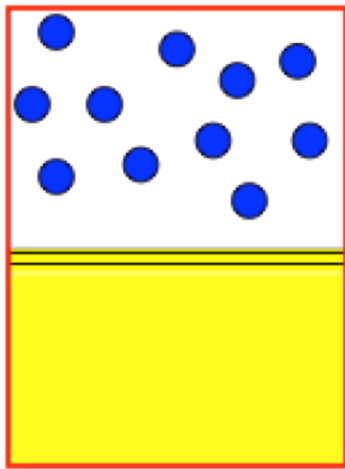
Phase coexistence \Leftrightarrow common tangent:





Nuclear liquid-gas phase coexistence

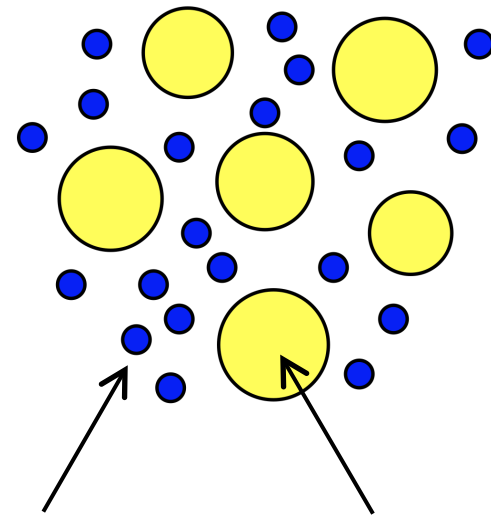
nucleon gas phase



nuclear liquid phase
(nuclear matter)

can *coexist* in mutual equilibrium

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nucleons

fragments

phase mixture

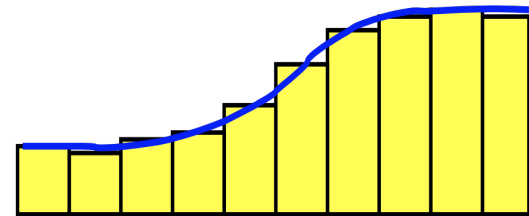
Equation of state: Finite range

Free energy density for uniform matter: $f_0(\rho, T)$

But we need to treat non-uniform systems: $\rho(\mathbf{r}), T(\mathbf{r})$

Local density approximation:

$$f[\rho(\cdot), T(\cdot)](\mathbf{r}) \doteq f_0(\rho(\mathbf{r}), T(\mathbf{r}))$$



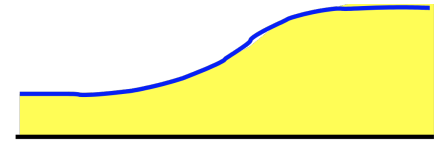
... implies:

$$F(\text{[wide yellow bar]}) = F(\text{[narrow yellow bars]})$$

No good!

=> Finite range *must* be taken into account

Non-uniform density $\tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{r})$



*gradient
contribution*

$$\tilde{w}(\mathbf{r}) \equiv w_0(\tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{r})) + \frac{1}{2}C(\nabla\tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{r}))^2$$

local entropy density: $\tilde{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \sigma(\tilde{\epsilon}(\mathbf{r}), \tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{r}))$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\beta}(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \frac{\delta S}{\delta \tilde{\epsilon}(\mathbf{r})} \Rightarrow \tilde{T}(\mathbf{r}) \\ \tilde{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \frac{\delta S}{\delta \tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{r})} \Rightarrow \tilde{\mu}(\mathbf{r}) \end{array} \right. \quad \text{?!}$$

\Rightarrow total entropy: $S[\tilde{\epsilon}(\mathbf{r}), \tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{r})] \equiv \int \tilde{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$

\Rightarrow local pressure $\tilde{p}(\mathbf{r})$ & local enthalpy density $\tilde{h}(\mathbf{r})$ & ...

Note: Constant $T(\mathbf{r})$ and $\mu(\mathbf{r}) \Rightarrow$ constant $p(\mathbf{r})$

Canonical scenario: constant temperature T

\Rightarrow Free energy density: $\tilde{f}_T(\mathbf{r}) = f_T(\tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{r})) + \frac{1}{2}C(\nabla\tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{r}))^2$

The gradient term modifies the local pressure

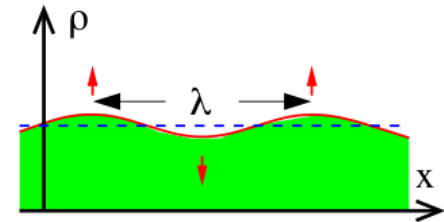
Small deviations from uniformity:

$$p(r) \approx p_0(\varepsilon(r), \rho(r)) - C\rho_0 \nabla^2 \rho(r)$$

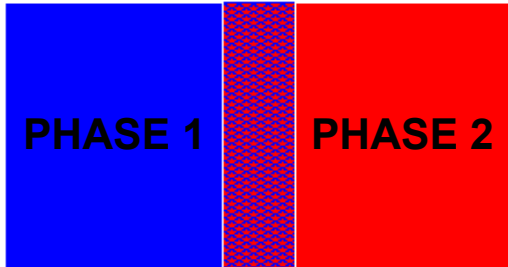
Small harmonic density undulations:

$$\rho(r, t) = \rho_0 + \delta\rho(x, t) \doteq \rho_0 + \rho_k e^{ikx - i\omega t}$$

$$p_k \rightarrow p_k + C\rho_0 k^2 \rho_k$$



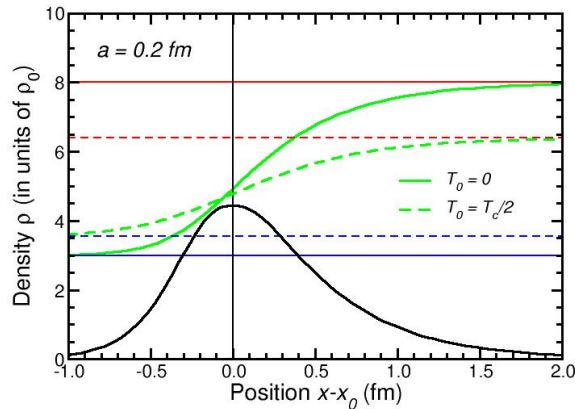
The gradient term generates a phase boundary



Global equilibrium requires constant T, μ, p :

$$0 \doteq \delta S - \beta_0 \delta E - \alpha_0 \delta N = \int dx \left\{ [\tilde{\beta}(x) - \beta_0] \delta \tilde{\epsilon}(x) + [\tilde{\alpha}(x) - \alpha_0] \delta \tilde{\rho}(x) \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\beta}(x) = \beta_0 \ \& \ \tilde{\alpha}(x) = \alpha_0 \ \Rightarrow \ \tilde{p}(x) = p_0$$

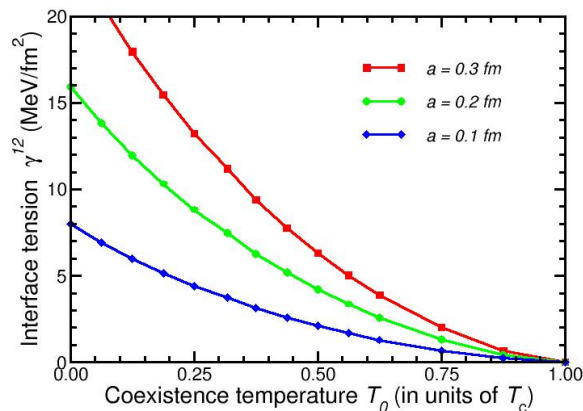


The interface density profile is determined by

$$C \partial_x^2 \rho(x) \doteq \mu_T(\rho(x)) - \mu_0 = \partial_\rho \Delta f_T(\rho(x))$$

where $\Delta f_T(\rho) \equiv f_T(\rho) - f_T^M(\rho)$

$$f_T^M(\rho) \equiv f_T(\rho_i) + \mu_0(\rho - \rho_i) \leq f_T(\rho)$$



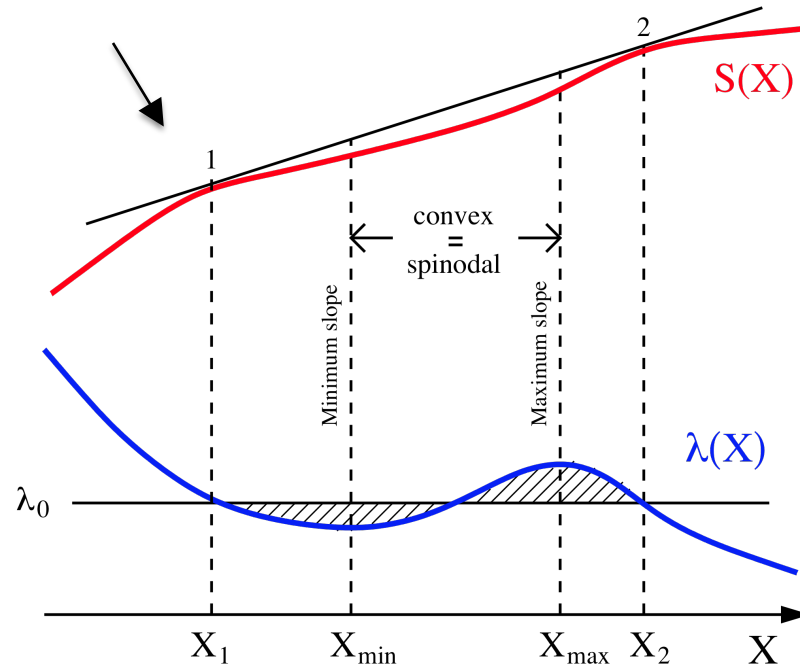
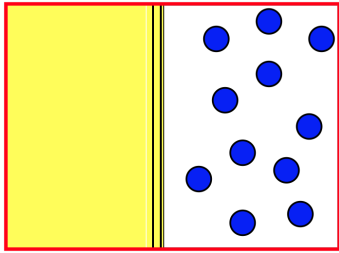
The interface tension is given by

$$\gamma_T^{12} = \int_{\rho_1}^{\rho_2} d\rho [2C \Delta f_T(\rho)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

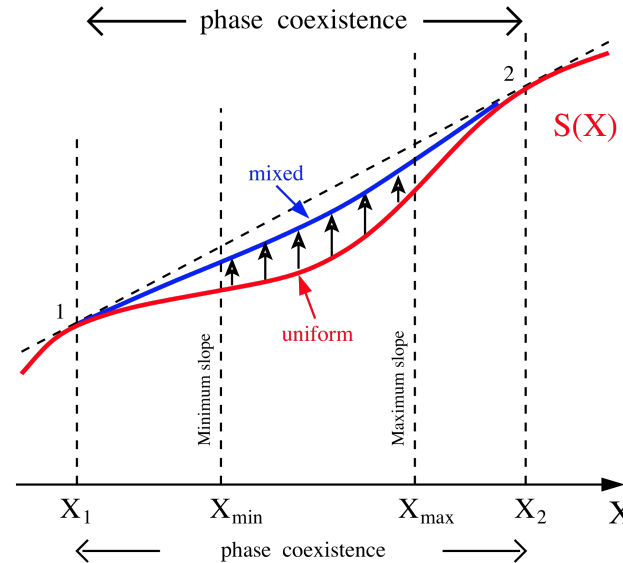
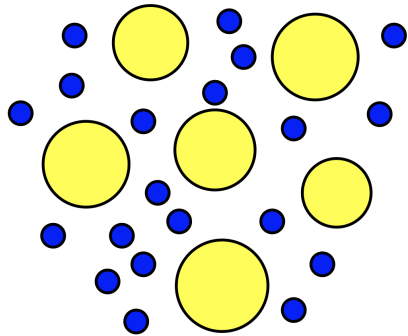
$\rho(x)$ not Needed!

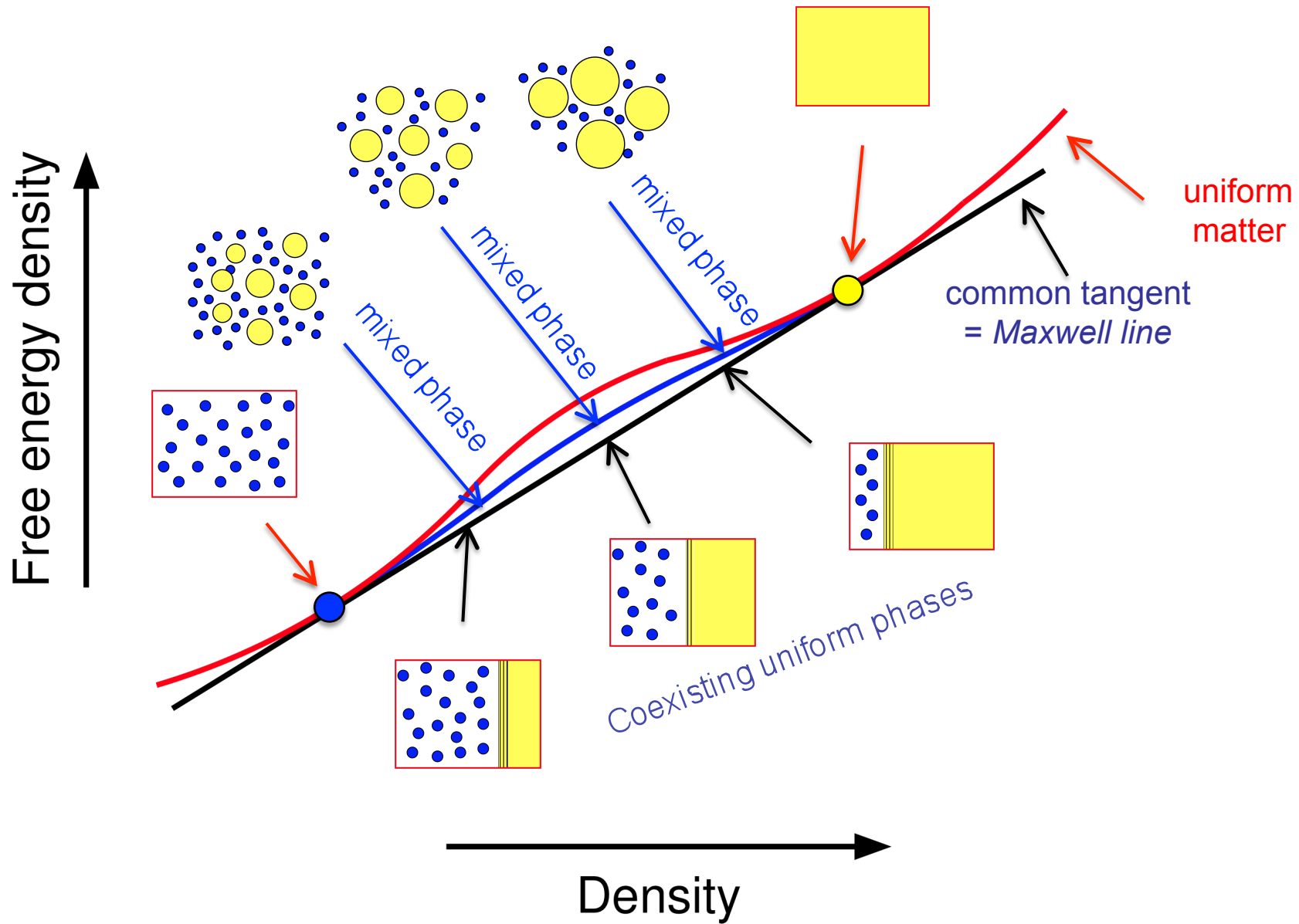


Separated phases:



Mixed phase:





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Hadron Gas versus Quark-Gluon Plasma

$$p^H = p_\pi + p_N + p_{\bar{N}} + p_w$$

$$p_\pi(T) = -g_\pi \int_{m_\pi}^{\infty} \frac{p \epsilon d\epsilon}{2\pi^2} \ln[1 - e^{-\beta\epsilon}]$$

$$p_N(T, \mu_0) = g_N \int_{m_N}^{\infty} \frac{p \epsilon d\epsilon}{2\pi^2} \ln[1 + e^{-\beta(\epsilon - \mu_0)}]$$

$$p_{\bar{N}}(T, \mu_0) = g_N \int_{m_N}^{\infty} \frac{p \epsilon d\epsilon}{2\pi^2} \ln[1 + e^{-\beta(\epsilon + \mu_0)}]$$

$$p_w(\rho) = \rho \partial_\rho w(\rho) - w(\rho)$$

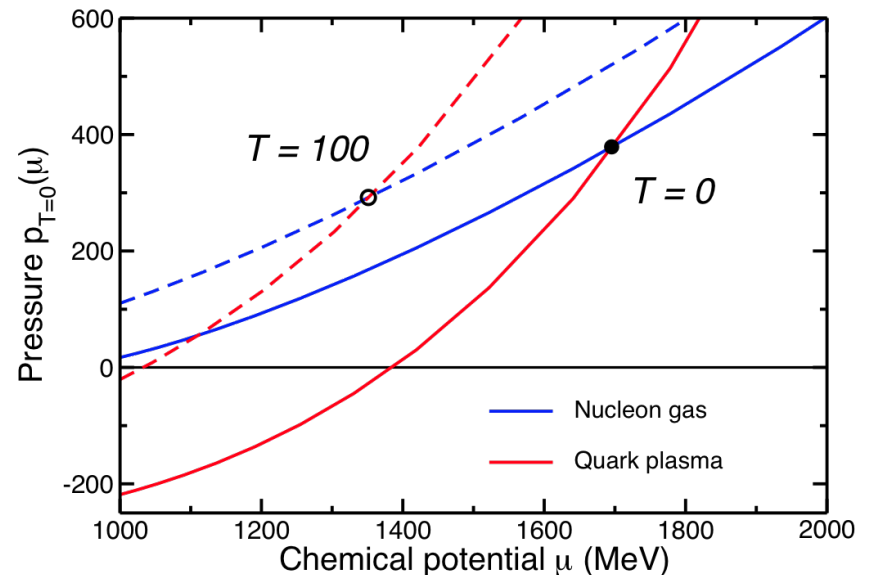
$$w(\rho) = \left[-A \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_s} \right)^\alpha + B \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_s} \right)^\beta \right] \rho$$

$$\mu = \mu_0 + \partial_\rho w = 3\mu_q$$

$$p^Q = p_g + p_q + p_{\bar{q}} - B$$

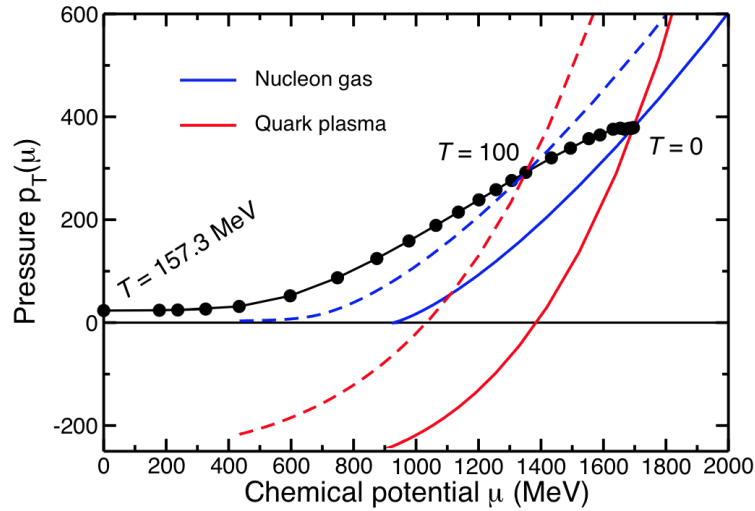
$$p_g = g_g \frac{\pi^2}{90} T^4$$

$$p_q + p_{\bar{q}} = g_q \left[\frac{7\pi^2}{360} T^4 + \frac{1}{12} \mu_q^2 T^2 + \frac{1}{24\pi^2} \mu_q^4 \right]$$

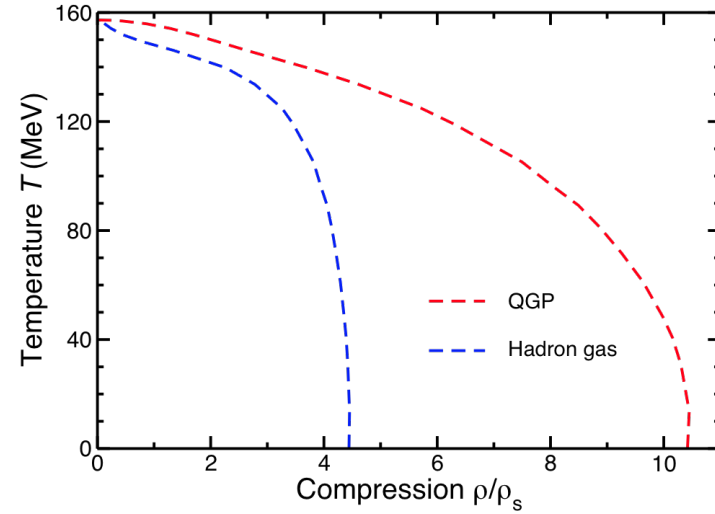


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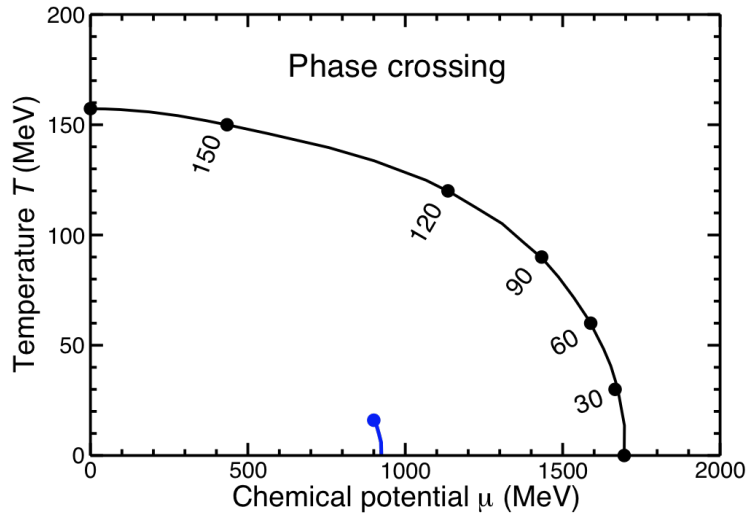
Phase crossing



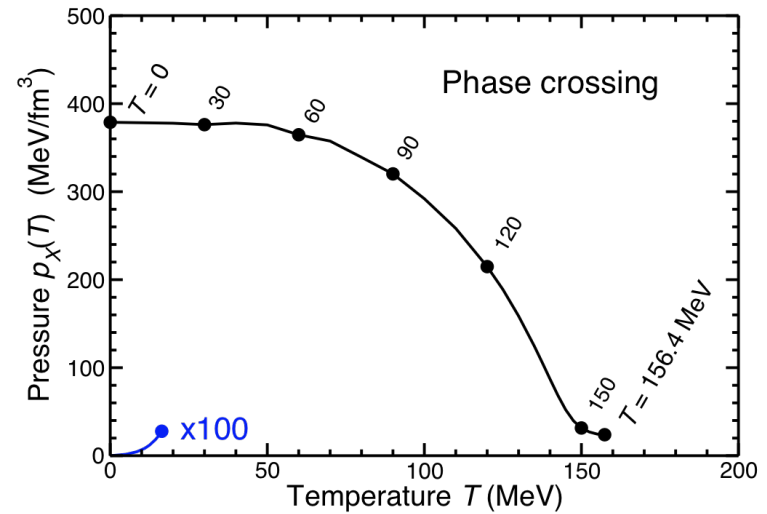
Phase "boundaries"



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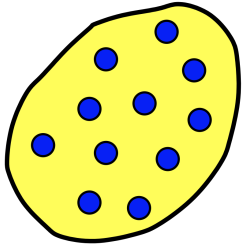
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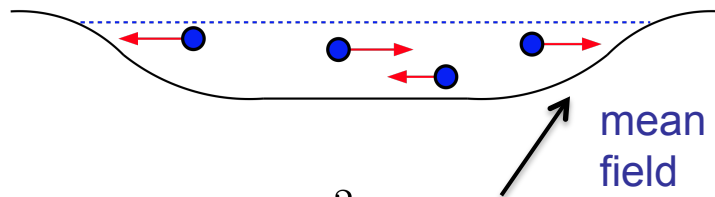
Instabilities in chiral dynamics

Nuclear dynamics at $E_{\text{coll}} \approx E_{\text{Fermi}}$



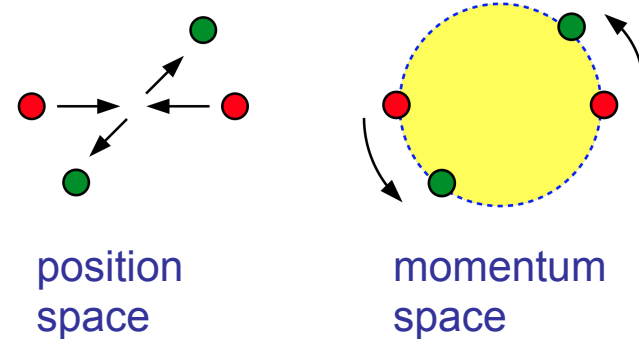
Individual nucleons move in common one-body field while occasionally experiencing Pauli-suppressed binary collisions

One-particle Hamiltonian



$$h[f](\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{p^2}{2m^*} + U[\rho](\mathbf{r})$$

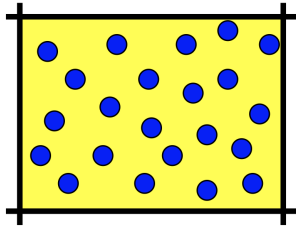
Two-body collisions



The state of the system is characterized by its reduced one-particle phase-space density:

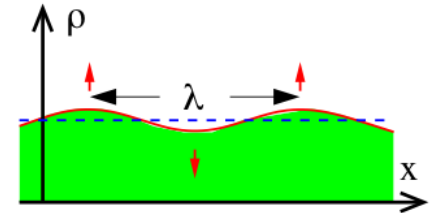
$$f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p})$$

Instabilities in Fermi liquids: Nuclear matter



$$\delta f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) = f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) - f_0(\mathbf{p})$$

$$\delta f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{p}, t) e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}}$$



$$h[f](\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{p^2}{2m^*} + U(\rho(\mathbf{r})) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \delta f + \mathbf{v} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \delta f - \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \delta \rho \right) = 0 \quad \mathbf{v} = \frac{\partial h}{\partial \mathbf{p}} = \frac{\mathbf{p}}{m^*}$$

$$\delta \rho(\mathbf{r}, t) = g \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}}{h^3} \delta f(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}, t) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \rho_{\mathbf{k}}(t) = g \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}}{h^3} f_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{p}, t)$$

$$f_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{p}, t) = f_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{p}) e^{-i\omega_{\mathbf{k}} t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad (-\omega_{\mathbf{k}} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{k}) f_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{k} \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial \epsilon} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho} \rho_{\mathbf{k}}$$

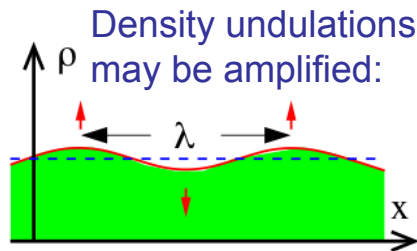
$$1 \doteq \frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho} g \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}}{h^3} \frac{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{k}}{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{k} - \omega_{\mathbf{k}}} \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial \epsilon} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho} g \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}}{h^3} \frac{(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{k})^2}{(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{k})^2 - \omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2} \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial \epsilon}$$

Finite range: $\tilde{g}(r_{12}) : \tilde{U} = \tilde{g} * U : \partial_{\rho} U \rightarrow \tilde{g}_{\mathbf{k}} \partial_{\rho} U$



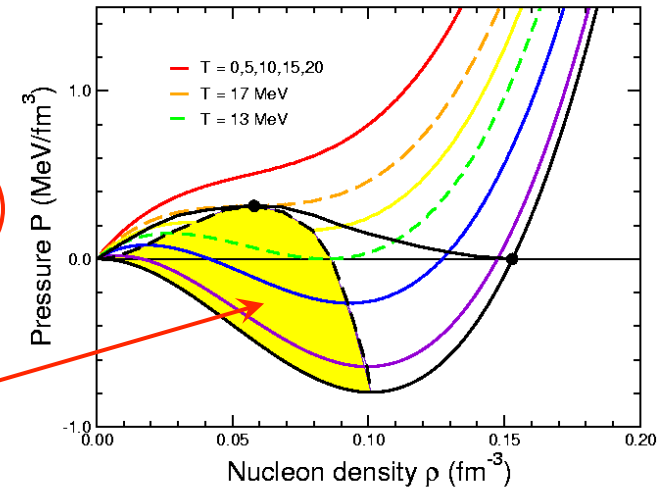
Nuclear spinodal instabilities

Spinodal region: $F_0 < -1$
Matter is thermodynamically and mechanically unstable

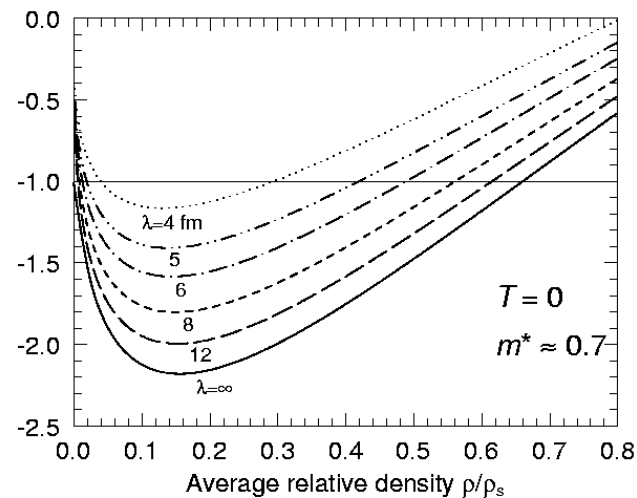
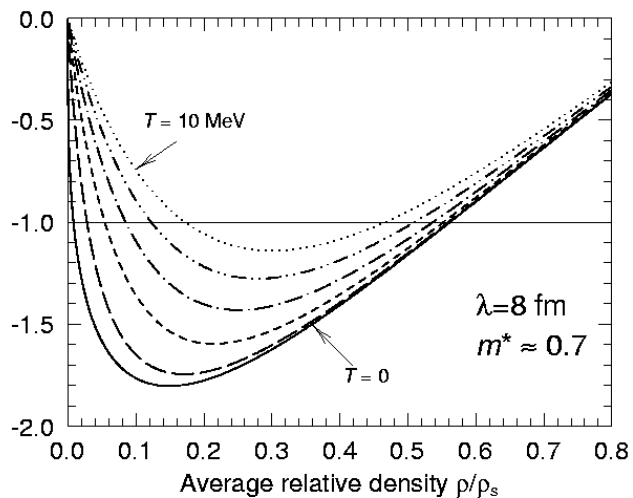


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$$F_0 = \frac{\partial h}{\partial \epsilon_F}$$

Nuclear Matter Equation of State:

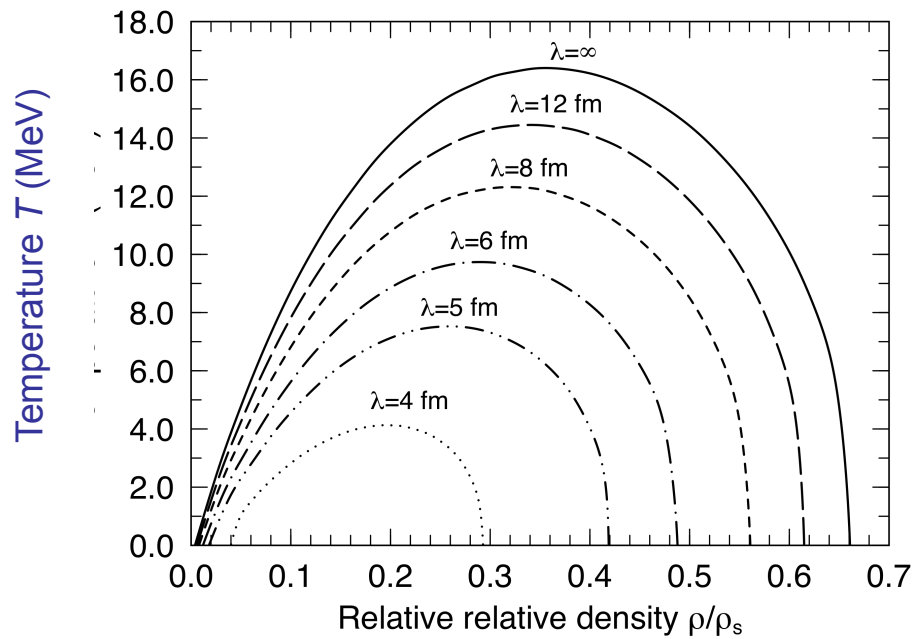


The Landau parameter F_0 depends on ρ, T, λ :

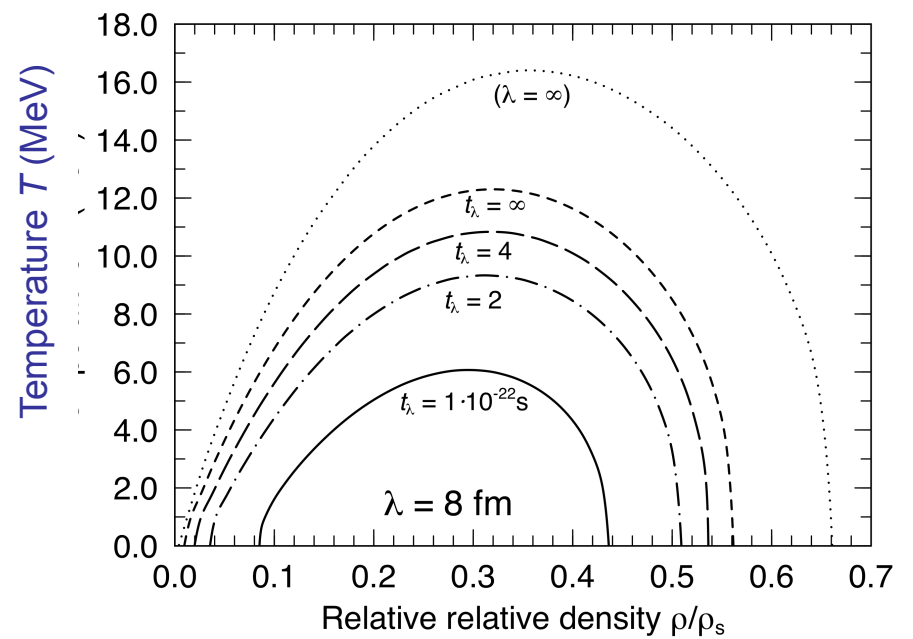


Spinodal boundaries in the (ρ, T) phase plane:

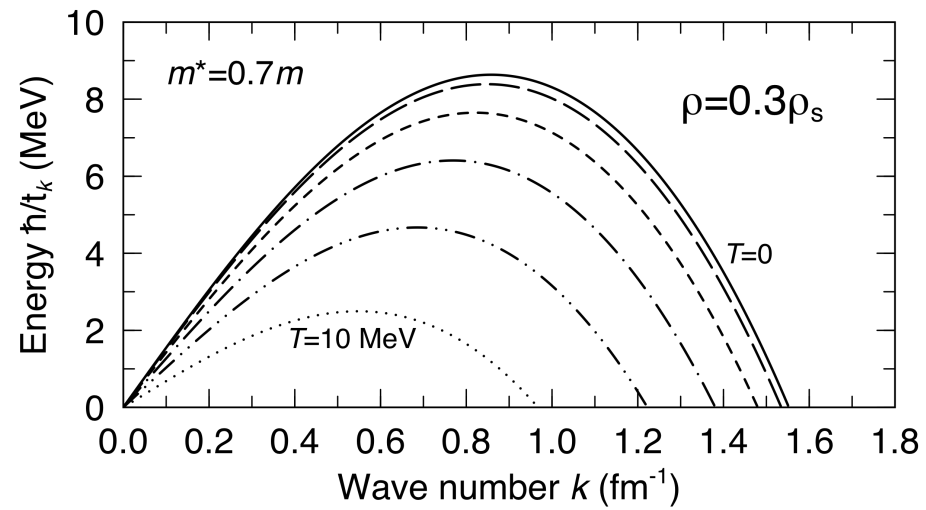
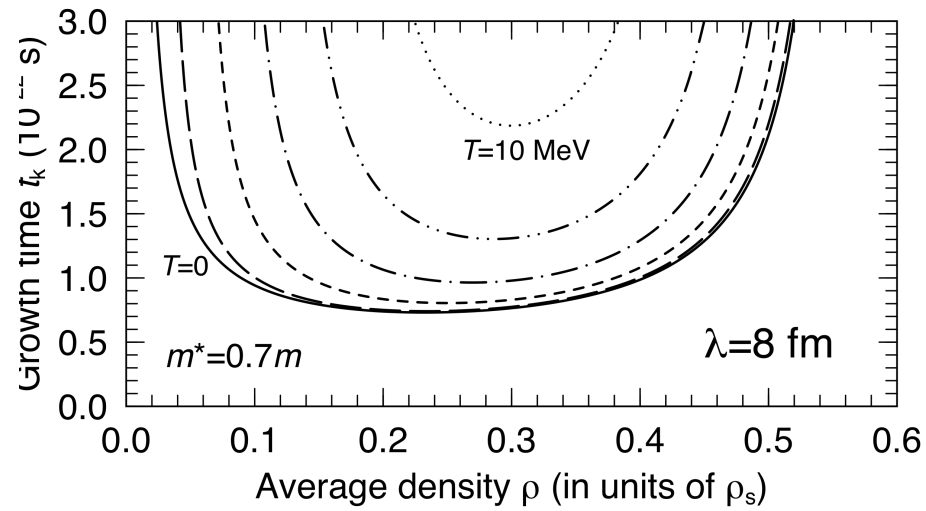
Spinodal boundary
for given wave length λ



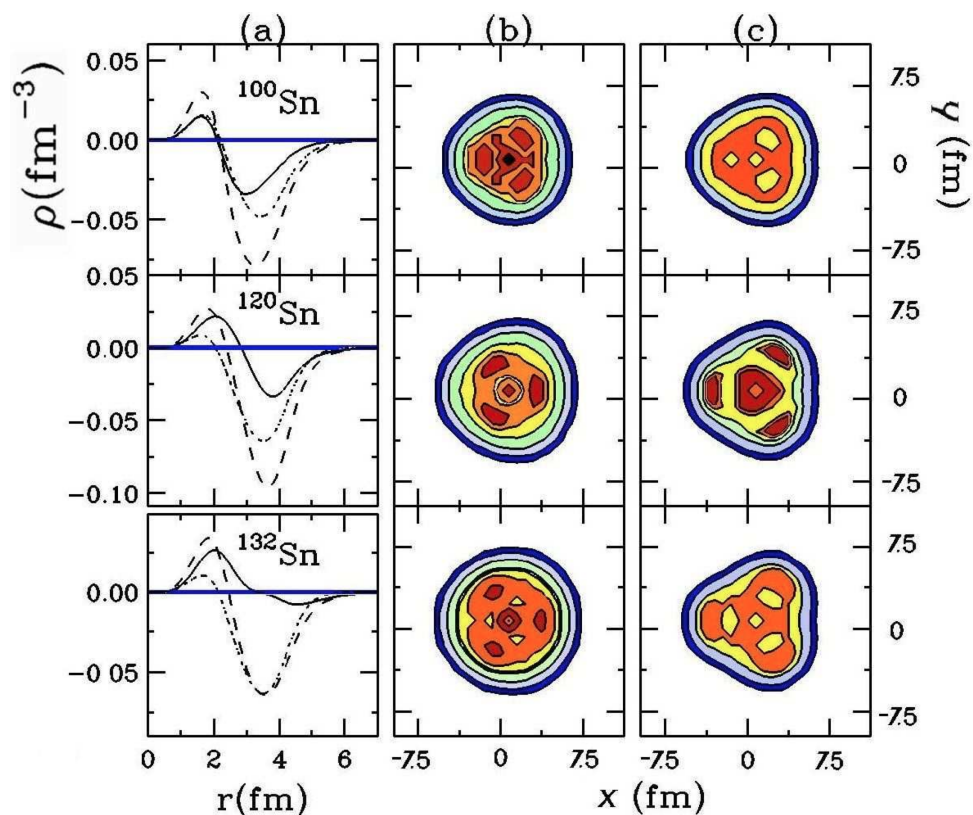
Growth times t_λ for $\lambda = 8$ fm



Dependence of growth rates on density, temperature and wave length:



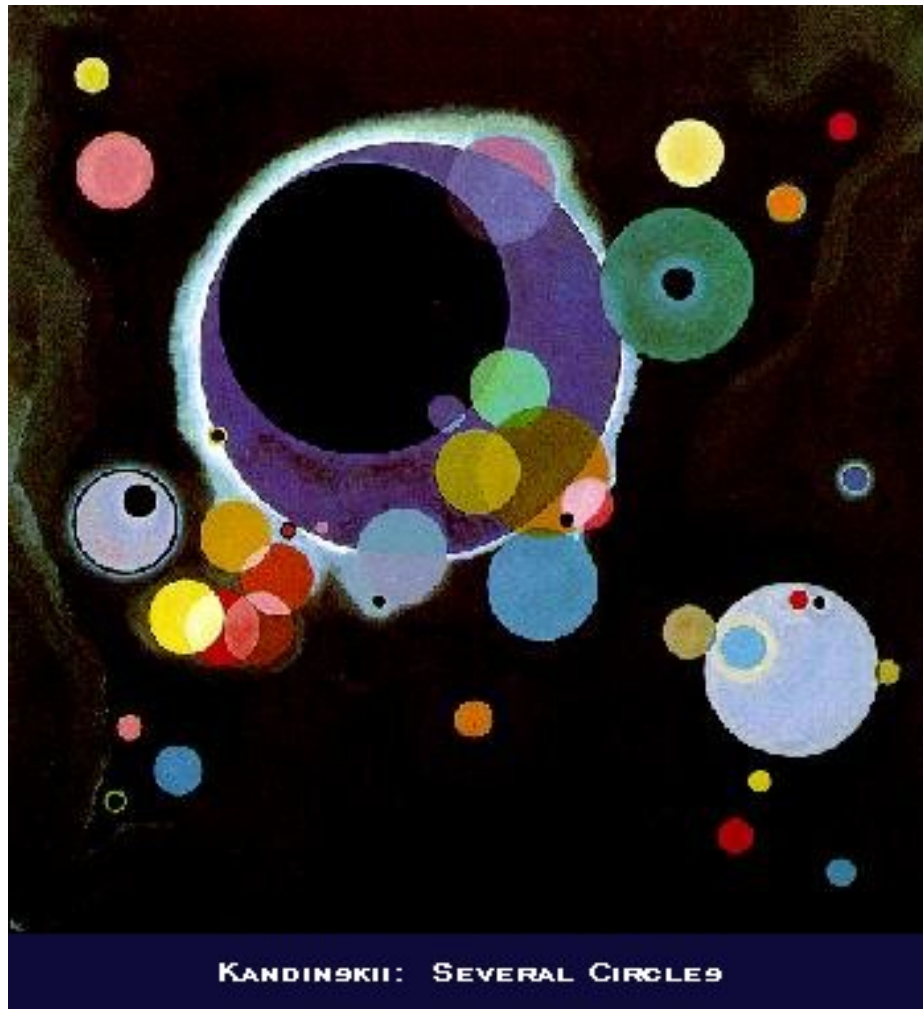
Spinodal instabilities in finite nuclear systems



RPA calculations for unstable octupole modes in Sn isotopes:
(a) radial dependence of the form factor at the dilution $D = 1:5$
for neutrons (solid), protons (dotted), and nucleons (dashed);
(b) contour plots of the perturbed neutron density;
(c) contour plots of the perturbed proton density.

M. Colonna, Ph. Chomaz, S. Ayik, Phys. Rev. Lett. 88 (2002) 122701

Statistical multifragmentation:



=> *Different* fragment sizes

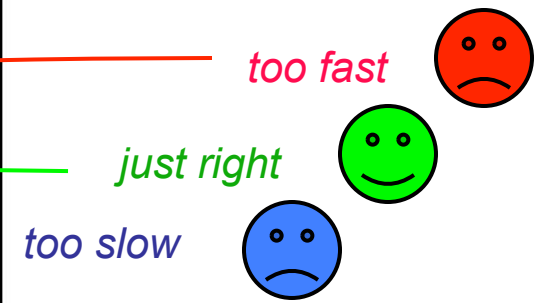
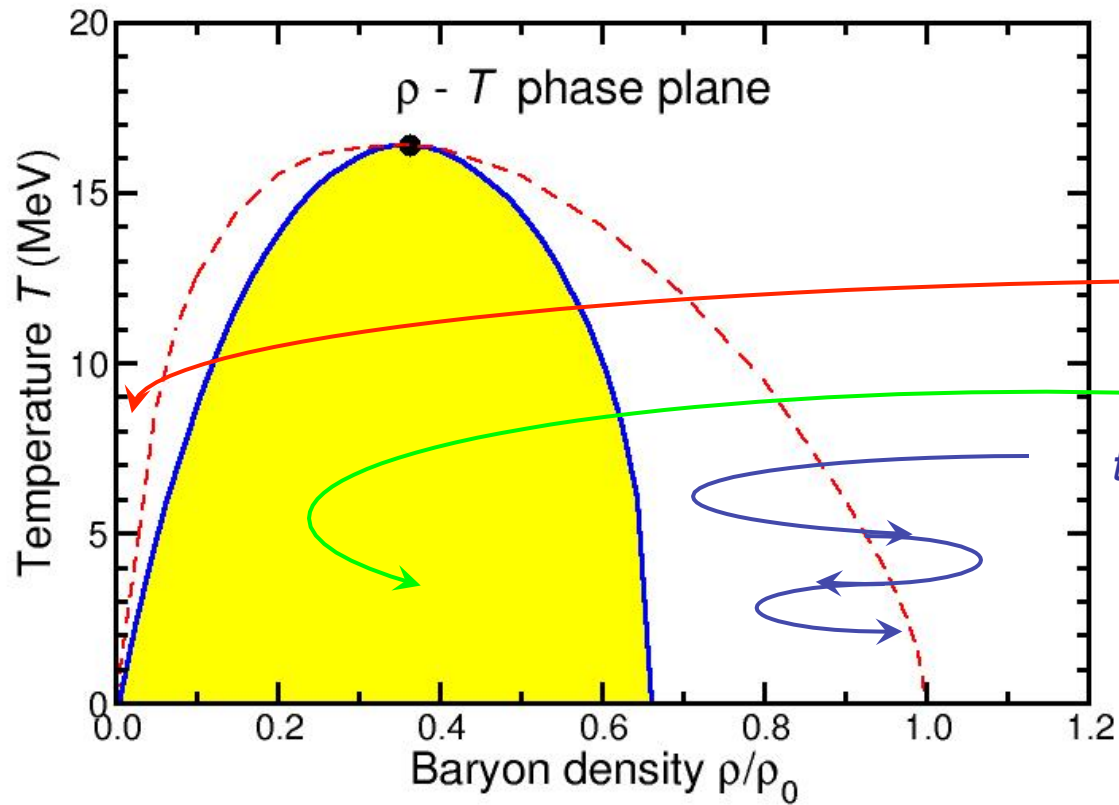
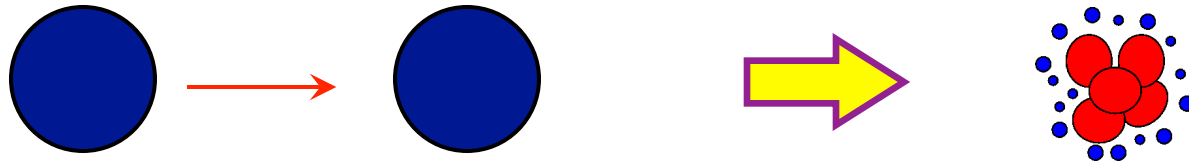
(Igor Mishustin, 2003)

Spinodal fragmentation:



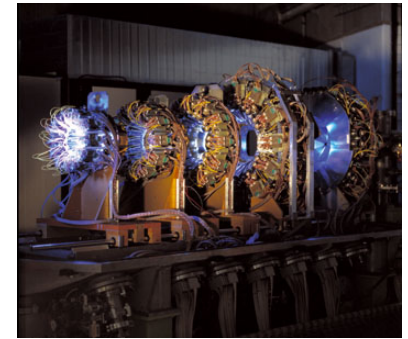
=> *Equal* sizes

Optimal collision energy



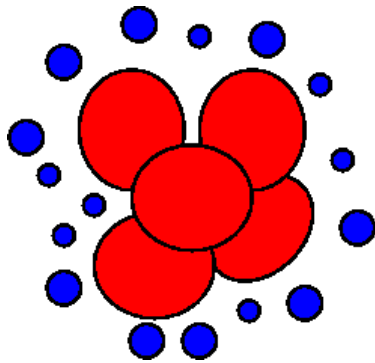
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INDRA

32 MeV/A Xe + Sn ($b=0$)

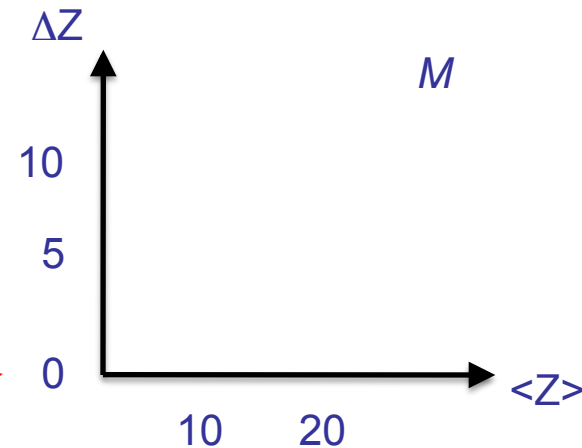


Analysis:

For each event having M IMFs, calculate mean IMF charge $\langle Z \rangle$ and IMF charge dispersion ΔZ .

(L.G. Moretto)

Make LEGO plot of ($\langle Z \rangle$, ΔZ):



For events with $\Delta Z=0$, all M IMFs have the same charge

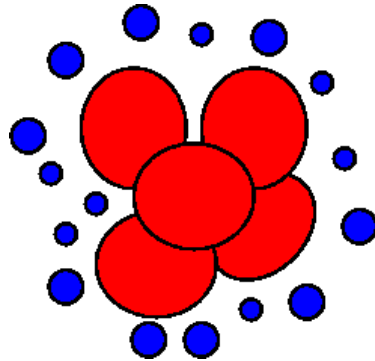
Transport calculations

... suggest a visible spinodal signal:

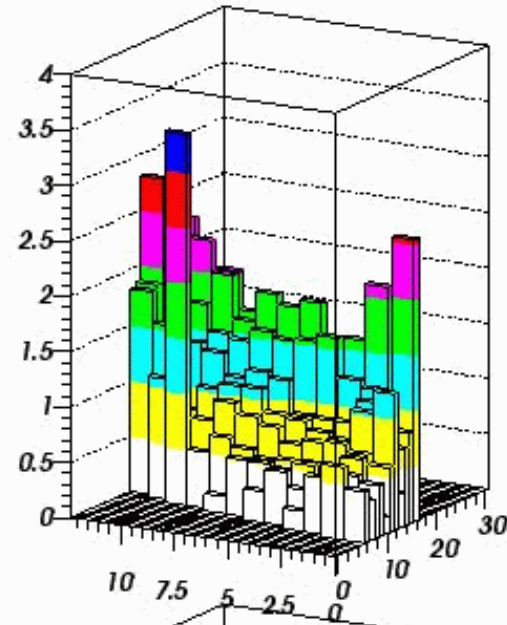
Brownian One-Body dynamics *)
 ≈ Boltzmann-Langevin

$$\delta K[f] \rightarrow -\delta F \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial p}$$

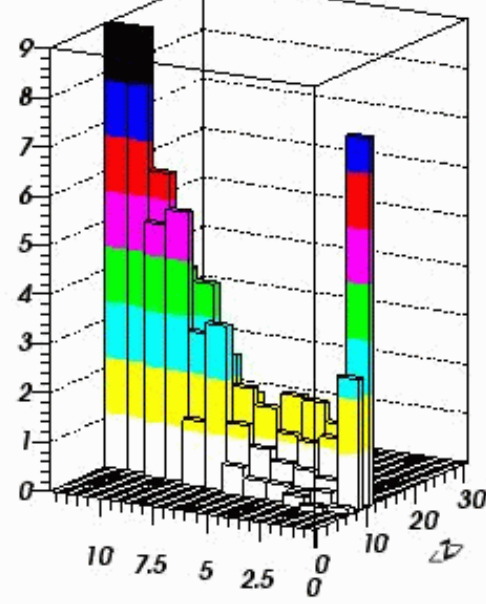
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BoB [Brownian One-Body model]



M = 4



M = 6

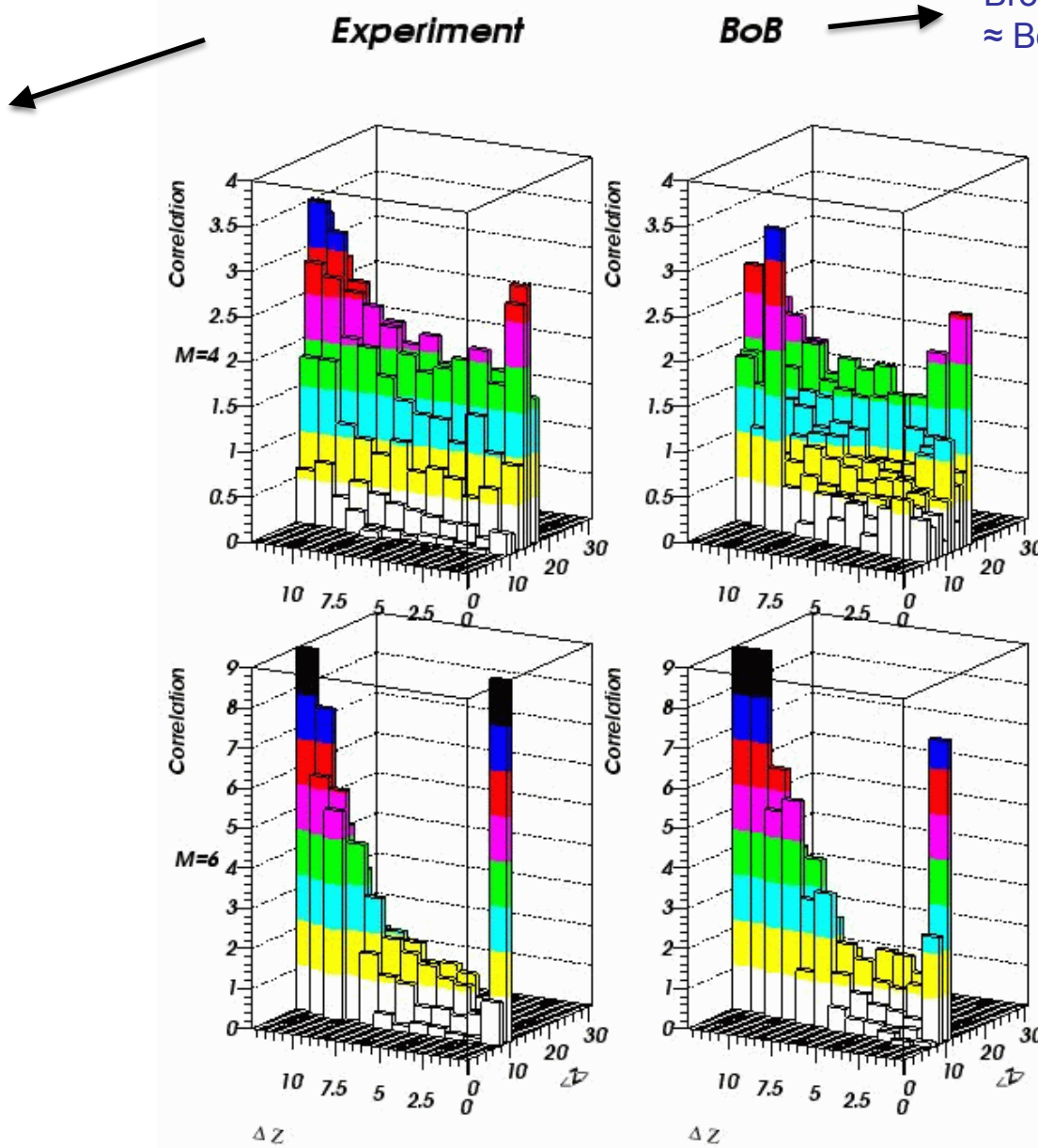
ΔZ

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