

Inhomogeneous chiral symmetry breaking phases



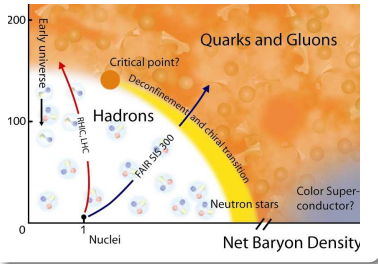
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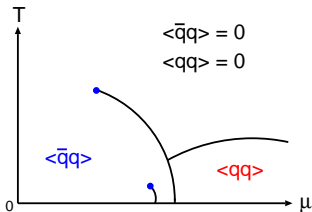
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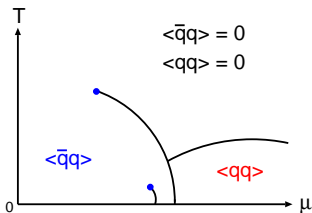
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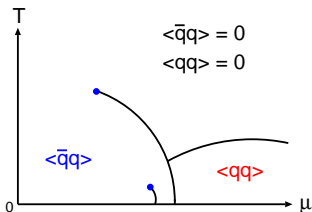
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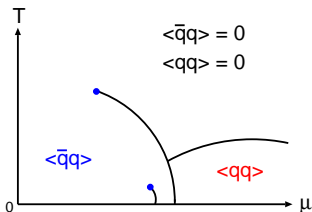
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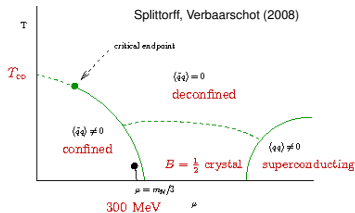


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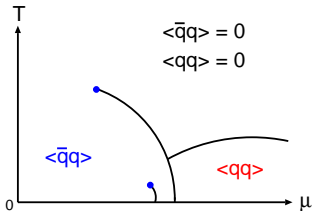
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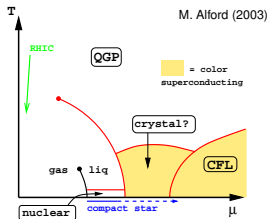
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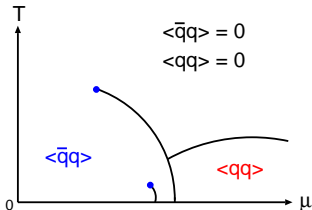
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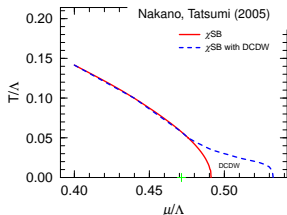
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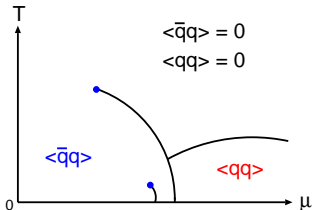
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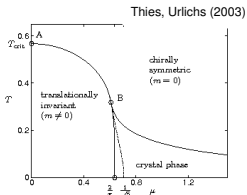
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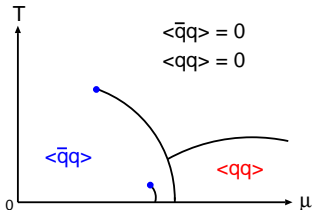
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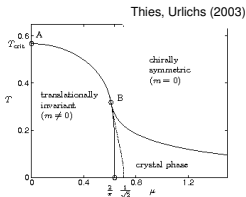
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- ▶ This talk:
inhomogeneous χ SB in the NJL model

► based on:

Phys. Rev. D 82 (2010), in print [arXiv:1007.1397],

together with



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- ▶ $S(\vec{x})$, $P(\vec{x})$ time independent classical fields
- ▶ retain space dependence !

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▶ mass function: $M(\vec{x}) = m - 2G_S(S(\vec{x}) + iP(\vec{x}))$

▶ $E_{\lambda} = E_{\lambda}[M(\vec{x})]$ = eigenvalues of \mathcal{H}_{MF}



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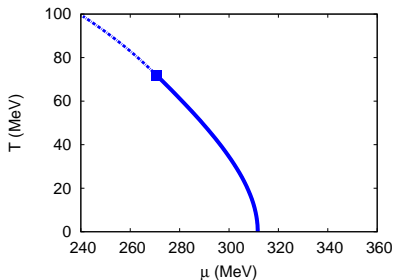
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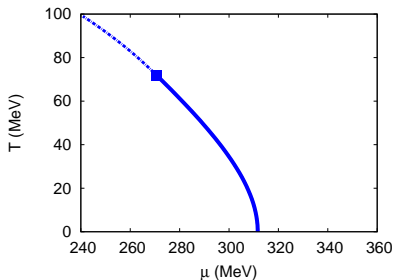


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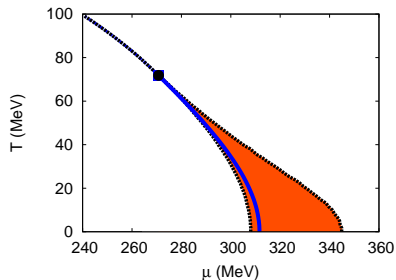
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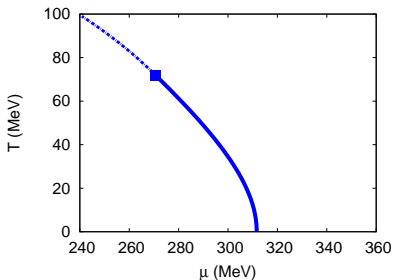
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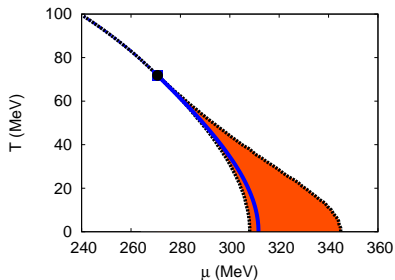
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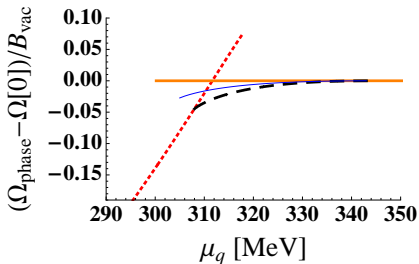
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- ▶ 1st-order line completely covered by the inhomogeneous phase!
- ▶ all phase boundaries 2nd order
- ▶ critical point coincides with Lifshitz point

Free energy difference

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- ▶ homogeneous chirally broken
- ▶ solitons
- ▶ chiral density wave:
 $M_{CDW}(z) = \Delta e^{iqz}$
("chiral spiral")

- ▶ soliton phase favored, when it exists
- ▶ $\delta\Omega_{\text{soliton}} \approx 2\delta\Omega_{CDW} \Rightarrow$ chiral spiral never favored

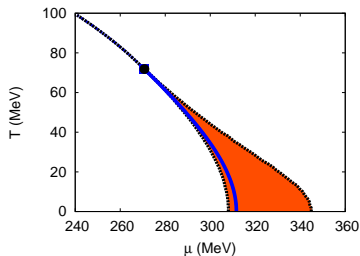
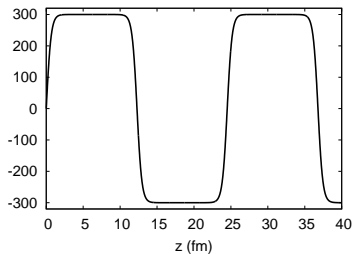
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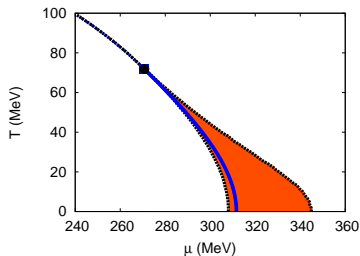
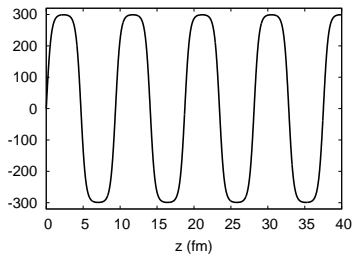
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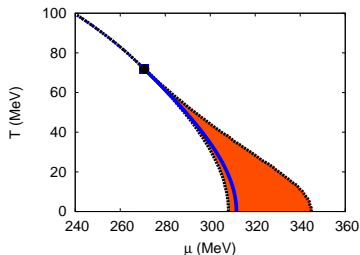
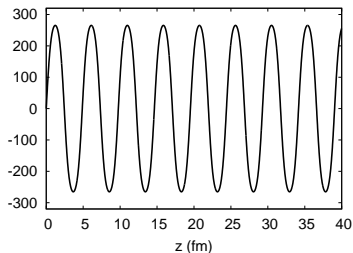
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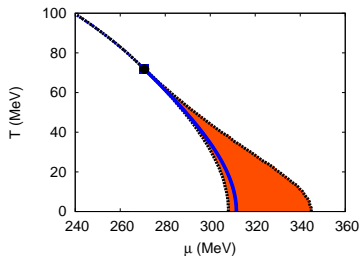
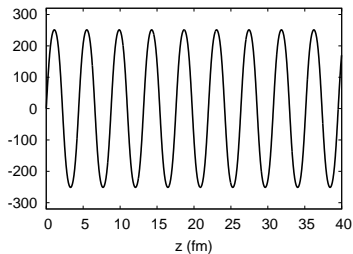
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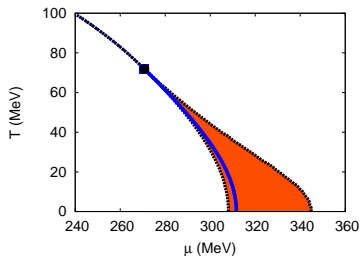
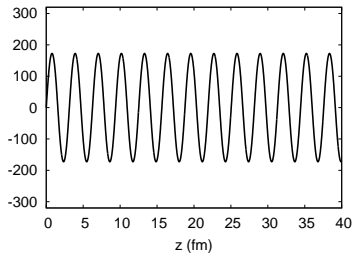
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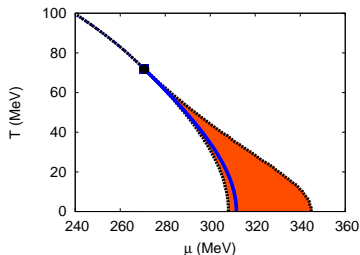
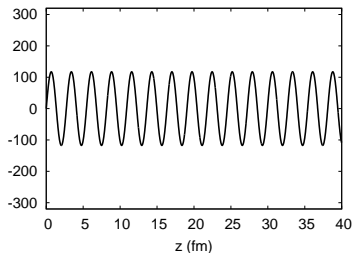
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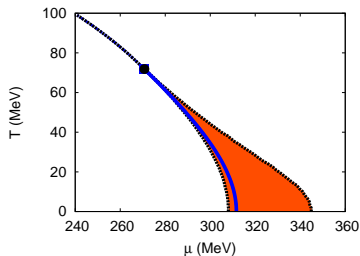
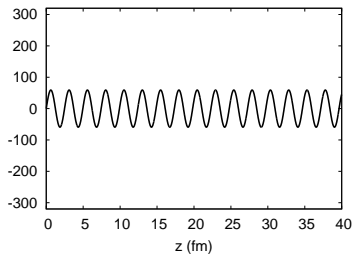
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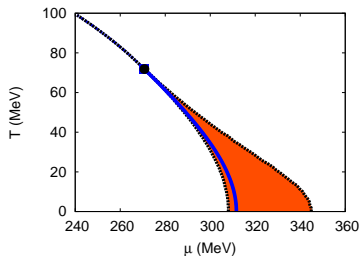
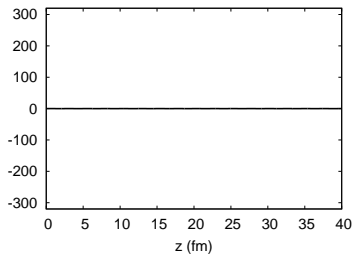
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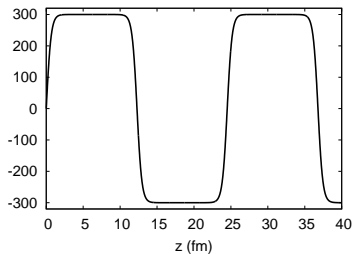
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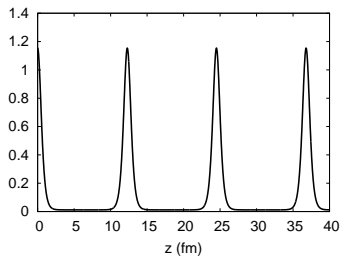
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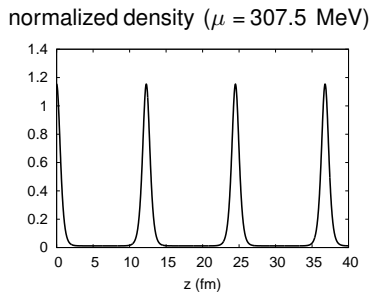
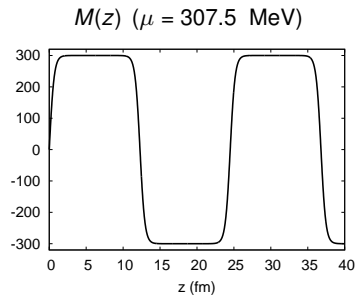


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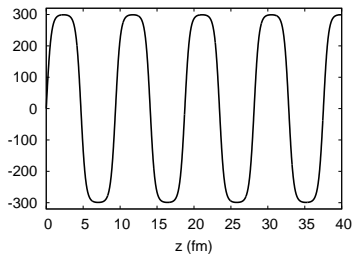


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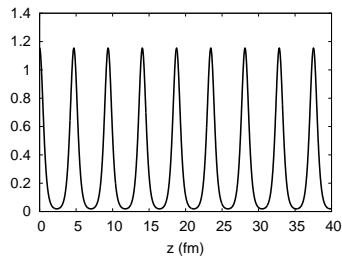
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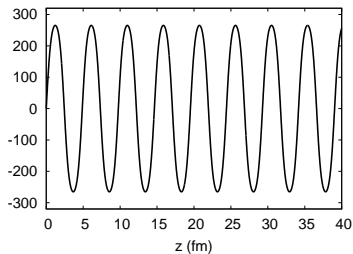


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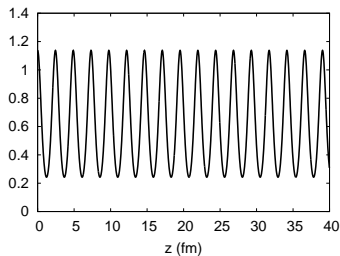
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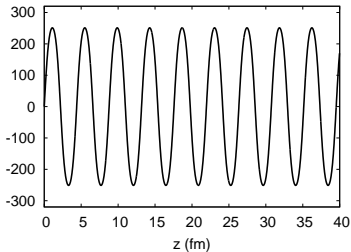


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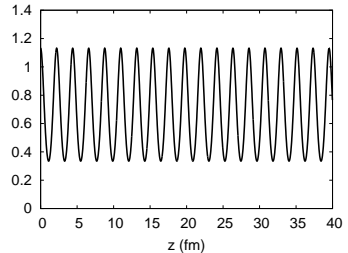
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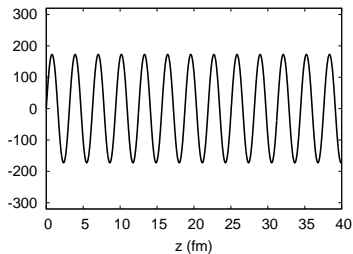


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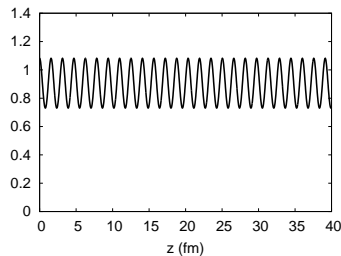
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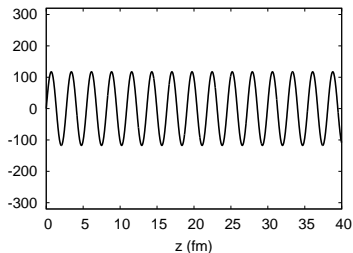


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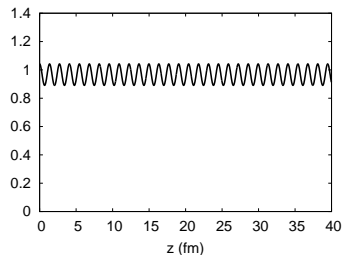
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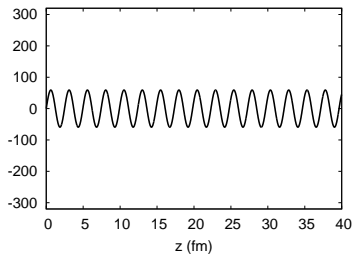


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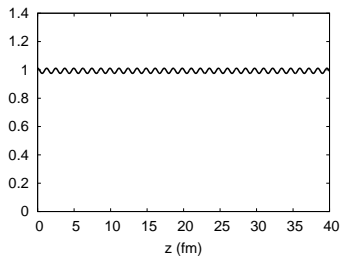
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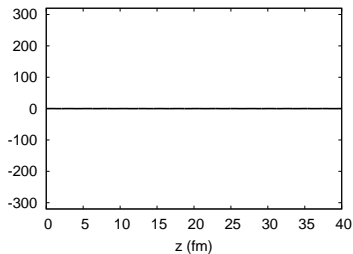


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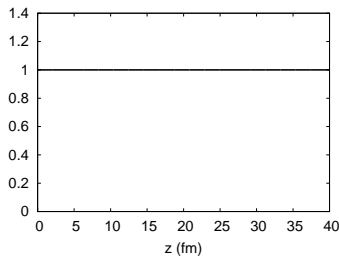
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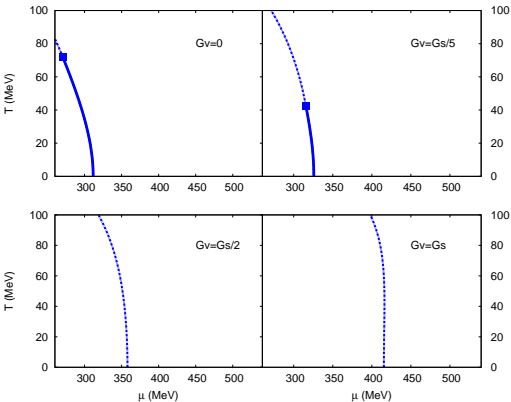


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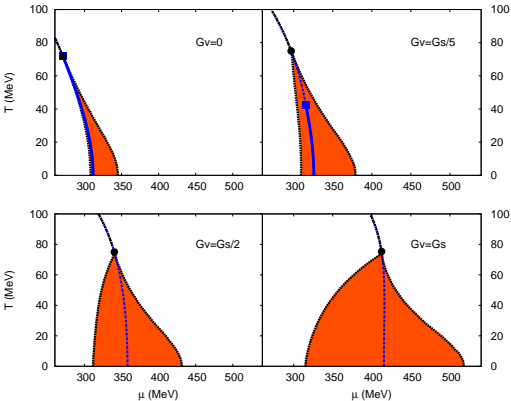
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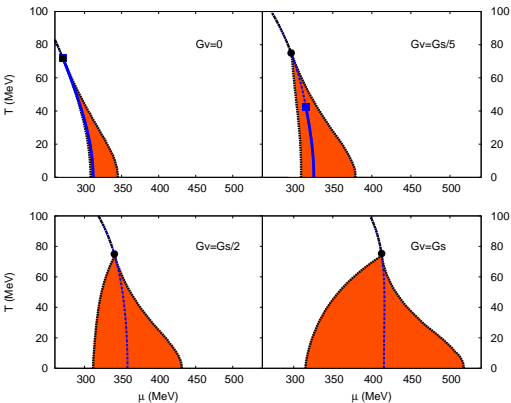
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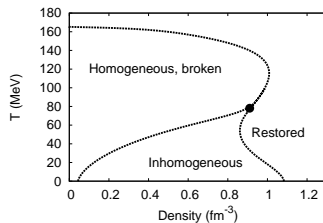


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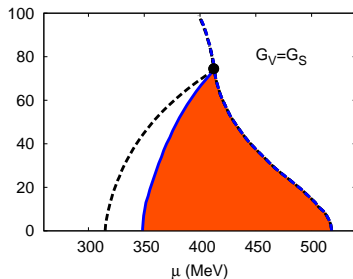
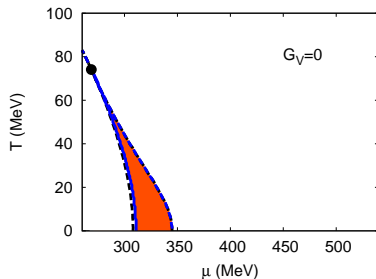


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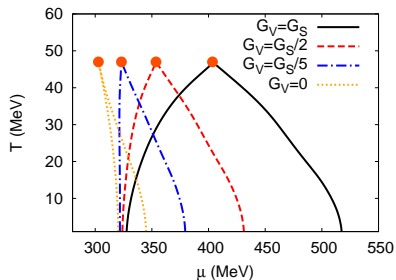
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- ▶ Chiral density wave: $M(z) = \Delta e^{iqz} \Rightarrow n(z) = \text{const.}$



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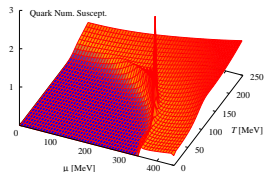


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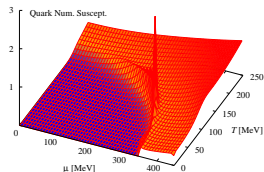
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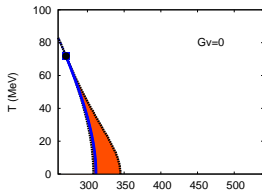


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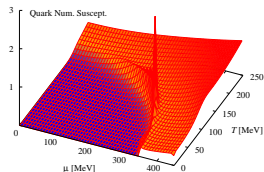
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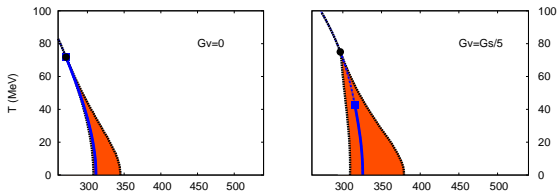
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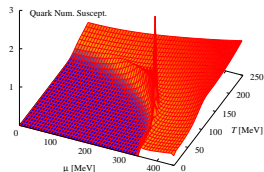
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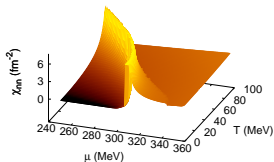
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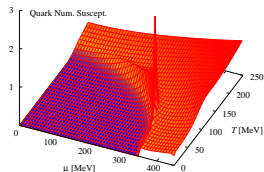
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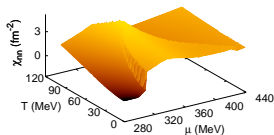
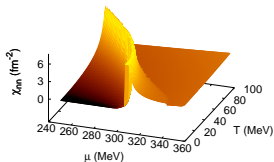
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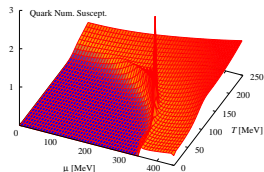
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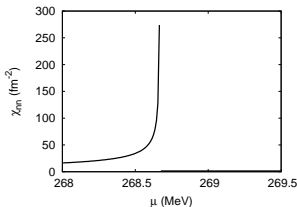
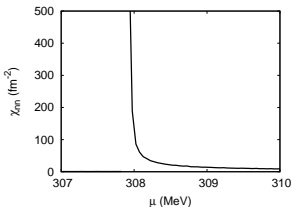
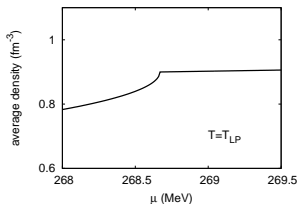
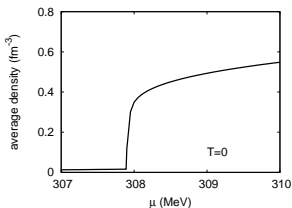
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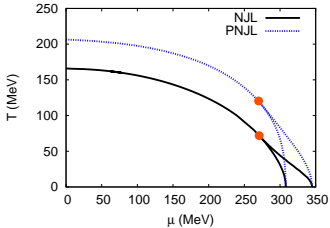
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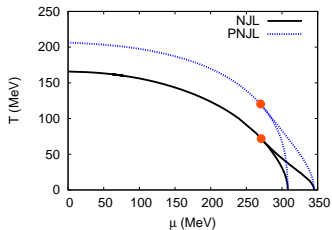
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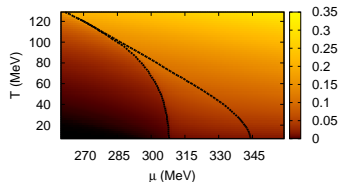


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