

# FINITE N CORRECTIONS TO THE SECOND ORDER CUMULANT OF PRESSURE VIA THE OPTIMIZED PERTURBATION THEORY ON THE NAMBU–JONA-LASINIO MODEL

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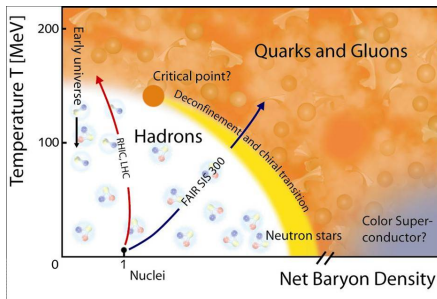


Figure: Sketch of the QCD phase diagram.

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- $\mathcal{L}$  be the original Lagrangian density we want to solve, and  $\mathcal{L}_0$  a Lagrangian density of a free theory.

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- Then, following the OPT interpolation prescription, on the NJL model it gets

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{NJL}(\delta) = & \bar{\psi} (i\rlap{/}\partial - m_0 - \eta) \psi \\ & + \delta \left[ \eta \bar{\psi} \psi - \frac{1}{4G_S} (\sigma^2 + \boldsymbol{\pi}^2) - (\sigma \bar{\psi} \psi + \bar{\psi} i \gamma_5 \boldsymbol{\pi} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} \psi) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

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- To order  $\delta$ , the effective potential is given by the these Feynman diagrams:

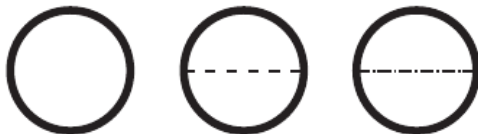


Figure: Diagrams contributing to  $\mathcal{F}(\hat{\eta})$  at order  $\delta$ . The thick continuous lines represent the OPT dressed fermionic propagators, the dashed line represents the  $\sigma$  propagator and the dashed-dotted line represents the  $\pi$  propagator. (Figure taken from Ref. [2]).

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represent the fermion distribution functions for particles and antiparticles respectively.

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	$\Lambda$ [MeV]	$m_0$ [MeV]	$G_S\Lambda^2$
• OPT	640	4.9	1.99
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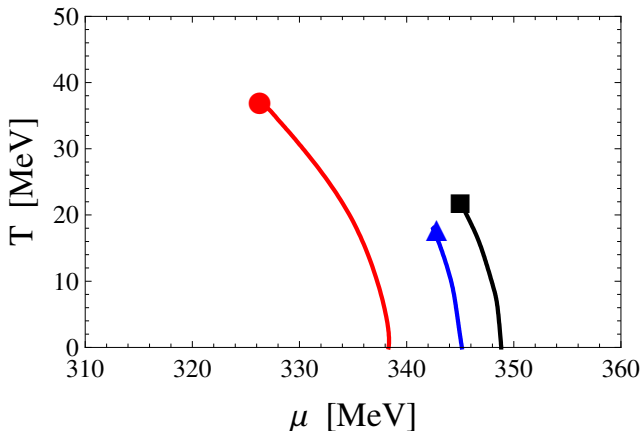


Figure: Phase diagram in the  $T$ - $\mu$  plane for the NJL model. MFA with  $G_V = 0$ , circle; MFA  $G_V$  with  $G_V = G_S/(N_f N_c)$ , triangle; OPT, square.

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- Nowadays the evaluation of these cumulants is receiving a lot of attention from LQCD researchers and the considerable amount of data already available can be used to check the reliability of other non-perturbative techniques such as the OPT and the MFA approximation.



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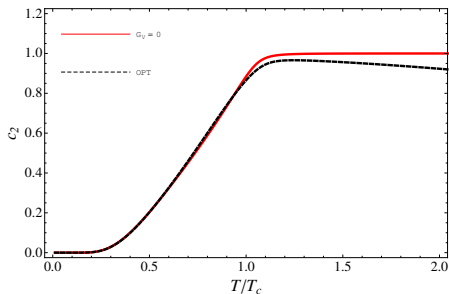


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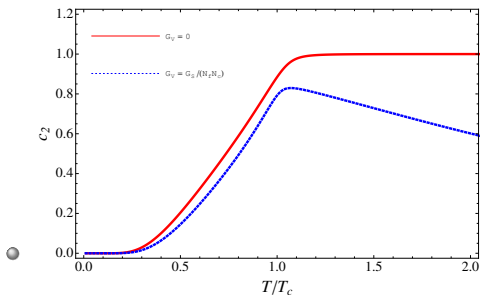


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- The cumulants can be identified with the quark number susceptibilities via

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- The main source of this behavior at  $T > T_\sigma$  is the medium term that appears in Eqs. like 7, for both OPT and the  $G_v \neq 0$  case. This integral goes to highly negative values at high temperatures, and because of the pure large-N limit does not take it into account, the Stefan-Boltzmann limit is reached in this approximation.

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- Entangled Polyakov-loop extended Nambu–Jona-Lasinio model (EPNJL):

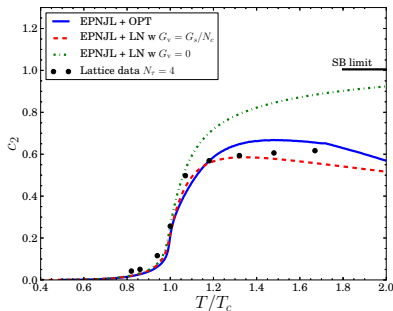










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