

Chiral Thermodynamics in a box

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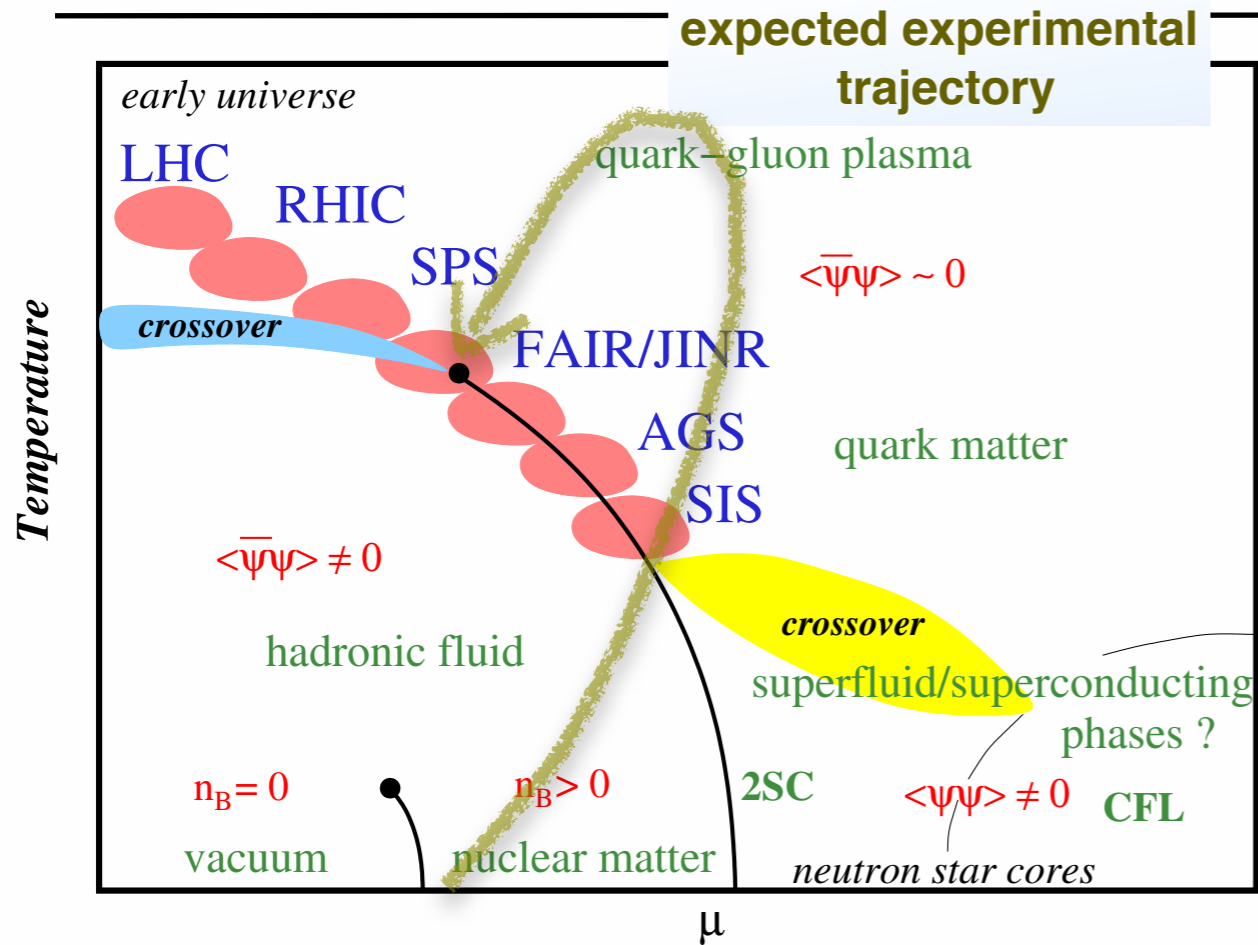
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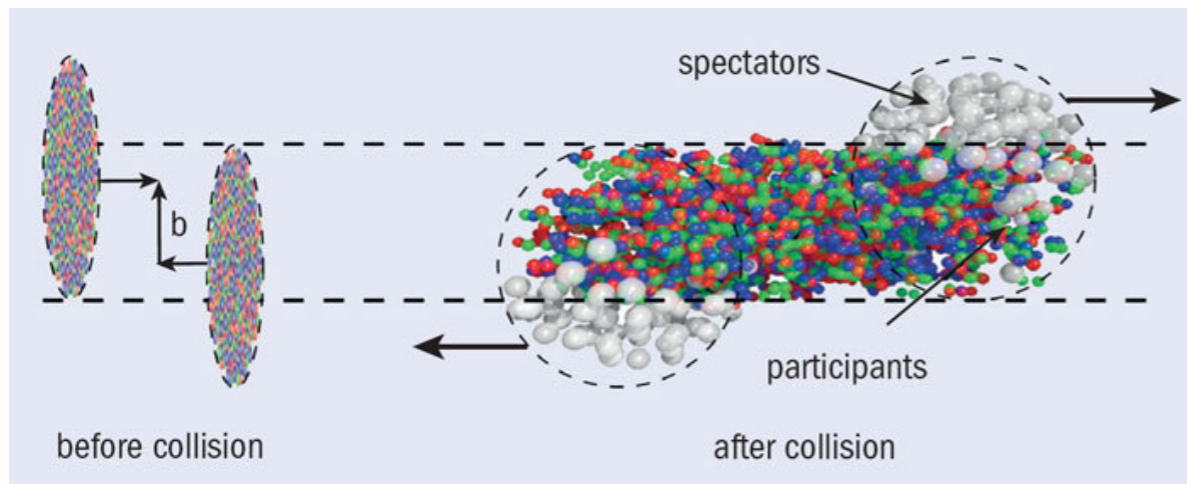
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Conjectured QC₃D phase diagram



Experiment:



Theory:

- Lattice: but simulations restricted to small μ
 - Functional QFT methods: FRG, DSE, nPI
 - Models: effective theories parameter dependency
- Experiment: (non-equilibrium)
- in a finite box (HBT radii: freeze-out vol. $\sim 2000-3000 \text{ fm}^3$)
(UrQMD (\sqrt{s}): system vol. $\sim 50 - 250 \text{ fm}^3$)

Theoretical aim:

- deeper understanding & more realistic HIC description
- existence of critical end point(s)?

Non-trivial physical issues!

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Lattice simulations

[Colangelo 2004]

Lattice simulations:

QCD lattice simulations

- finite volume
 - finite lattice spacing
 - finite quark masses
 - three (expensive) extrapolations are necessary
 - analytical methods are needed
- e.g. chiral perturbation theory

Physical system in a finite box

periodic boundary: $\vec{p} \sim \frac{2\pi}{L} \vec{n} \quad n_i \in \mathbb{Z}$

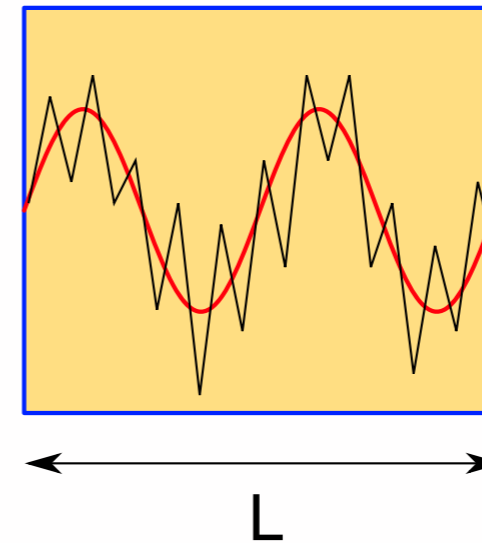
Interest: soft, non-perturbative dynamics of QCD

→ region of soft momenta should look like a continuum

size scale separation (chiral Goldstone bosons):

$$\frac{2\pi}{L} \ll 4\pi f_\pi \quad \Rightarrow \quad L \gg \frac{1}{2f_\pi} \sim 1 \text{ fm}$$

p – regime



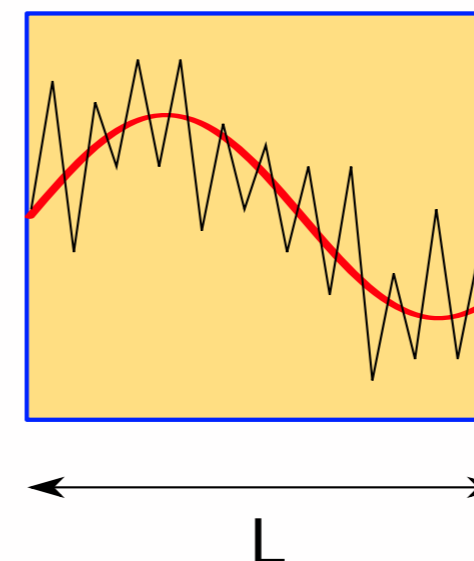
pion Compton wavelength

→ fits into box

and close to chiral limit:

→ expensive

ε – regime



pion Compton wavelength

→ exceeds box

fluctuations fit into box

Physics in a finite Volume

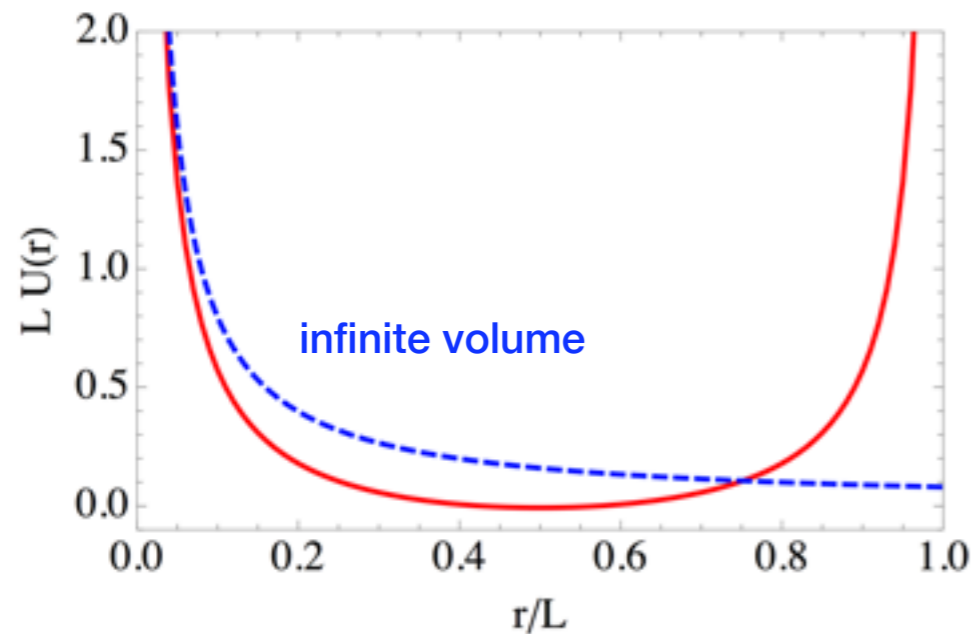
[Davoudi, Savage 2014]

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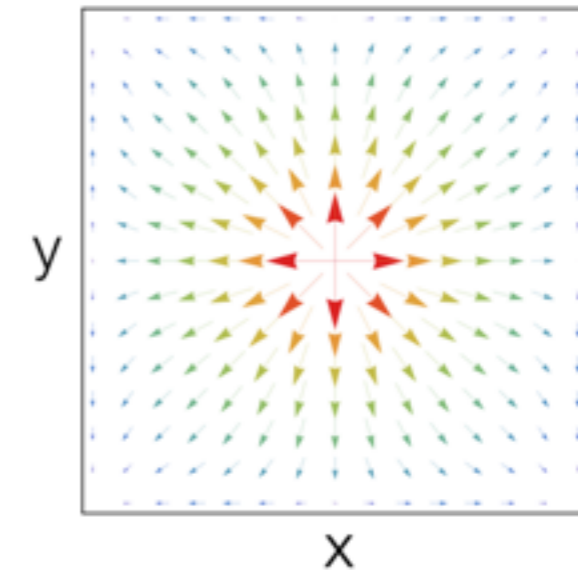
QCD (short-ranged) with QED (long-ranged \rightarrow truncated) corrections

\rightarrow violation Gauss's & Ampere's law

if EM gauge field subject to periodic boundary condition



finite volume Coulomb potential between two charges



point charge at the center

circumvent this problem:

introduce uniform background charge density

similar to many-body physics

\rightarrow equivalent to

removing zero modes of the gauge field

Physics in a finite Volume

Quantum Field Theory in a finite volume:

→ no spontaneous symmetry breaking

if only finite number of degrees of freedom

QCD: [Gasser, Leutwyler 1988]

chiral condensate: non-perturbative phenomenon

e.g.

chiral symmetry

$$N_f = 2 : SU(2) \times SU(2) \cong O(4)$$

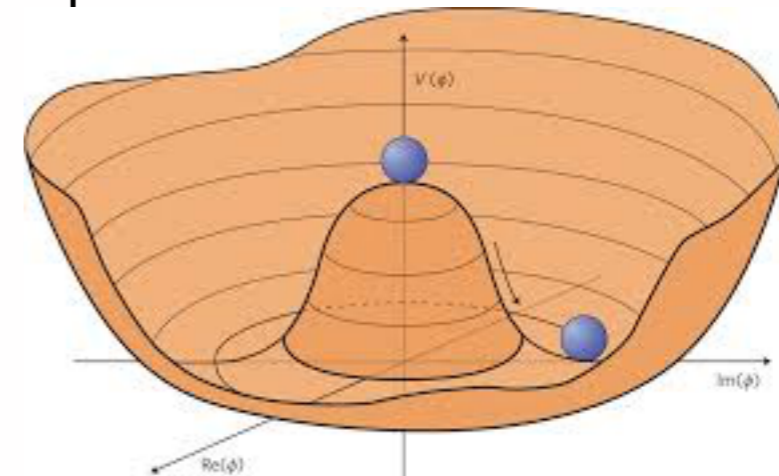
$$O(4) \rightarrow O(3) \quad \text{infinite volume}$$

massless Goldstone Bosons

finite volume:

fluctuations of Goldstone bosons always restore symmetry

potential



minimum: zero-momentum mode of the field

$$Z_2 : \varphi \rightarrow -\varphi$$

probability of tunneling: $P_{\text{tunnel}} \sim e^{-L}$
exponentially suppressed with volume

$O(N)$ - case: rotation → averaging to zero (no breaking)

infinite volume → no tunneling → symmetry broken

Physics in a finite Volume

result so far:

long-range correlations are necessary to obtain **spontaneous** SB (for a continuous symmetry)

chiral limit: massless Goldstone boson fluctuations in a finite box **avoid** symmetry breaking

but

symmetry breaking in **mean-field approximations** are possible:

Goldstone-fluctuations are absent

Thermodynamics on a torrus:

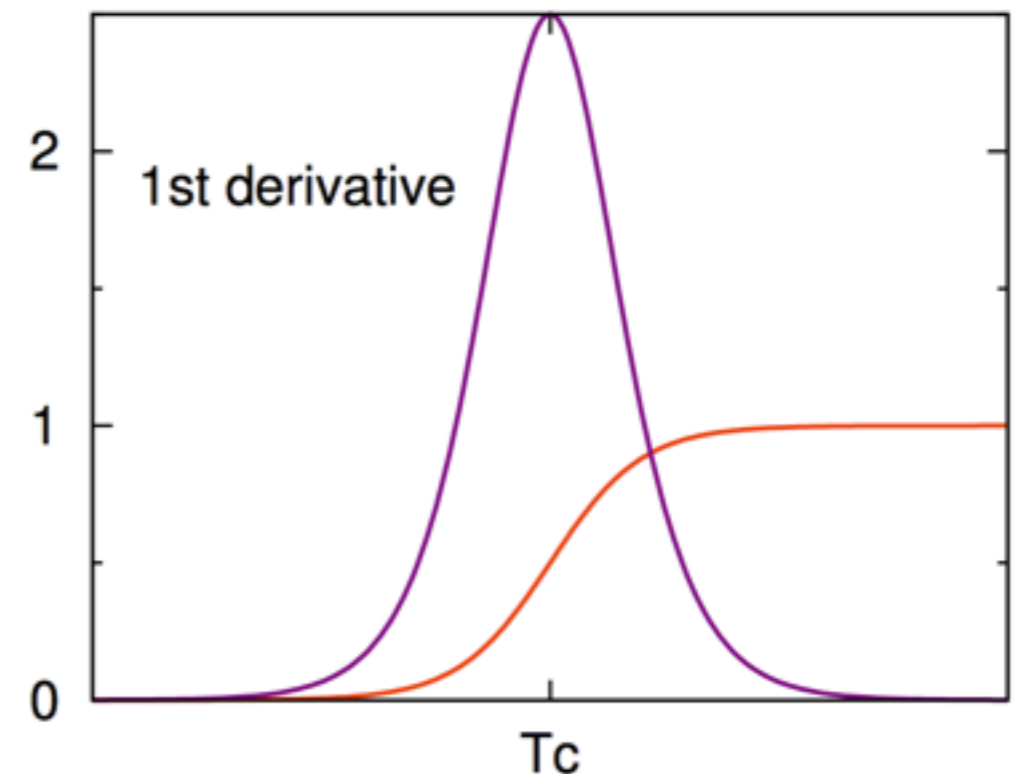
correlation length always finite \rightarrow no real 2nd order

phase transition

criterion for phase transition: (generalized) susceptibilities

\rightarrow derivatives of order parameter reveal more details

derivatives of thermodynamic quantities \leftrightarrow **fluctuations**



Fluctuation observables

* generalized susceptibilities:

$$\chi_n = \left. \frac{\partial^n p(T, \mu) / T^4}{\partial (\mu/T)^n} \right|_T$$

* Fluctuations of conserved charges

$$\delta Q_X = Q_X - \langle Q_X \rangle \quad X = Q, B, S, \dots$$

$$\text{mean value: } \chi_1 \sim \langle Q \rangle$$

$$\chi_2 \sim \langle (\delta Q)^2 \rangle$$

$$\chi_3 \sim \langle (\delta Q)^3 \rangle$$

* Measured in event-by-event multiplicity distributions

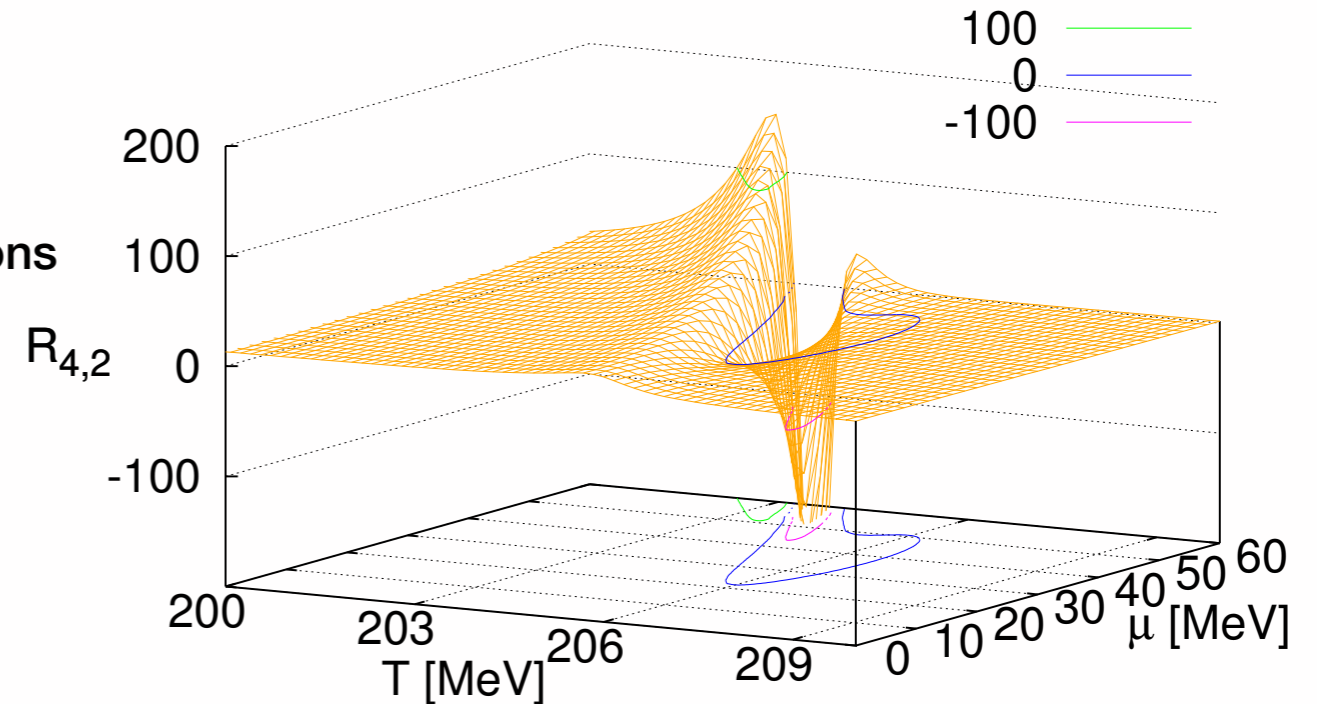
$$\text{variance: } \sigma^2 \sim \frac{\chi_2}{\chi_1}$$

$$\text{skewness: } S\sigma = \frac{\chi_3}{\chi_2}$$

$$\text{kurtosis: } \kappa\sigma^2 = \frac{\chi_4}{\chi_2}$$

strong temperature & density
dependence of ratios

[BJS, M. Wagner 2012]



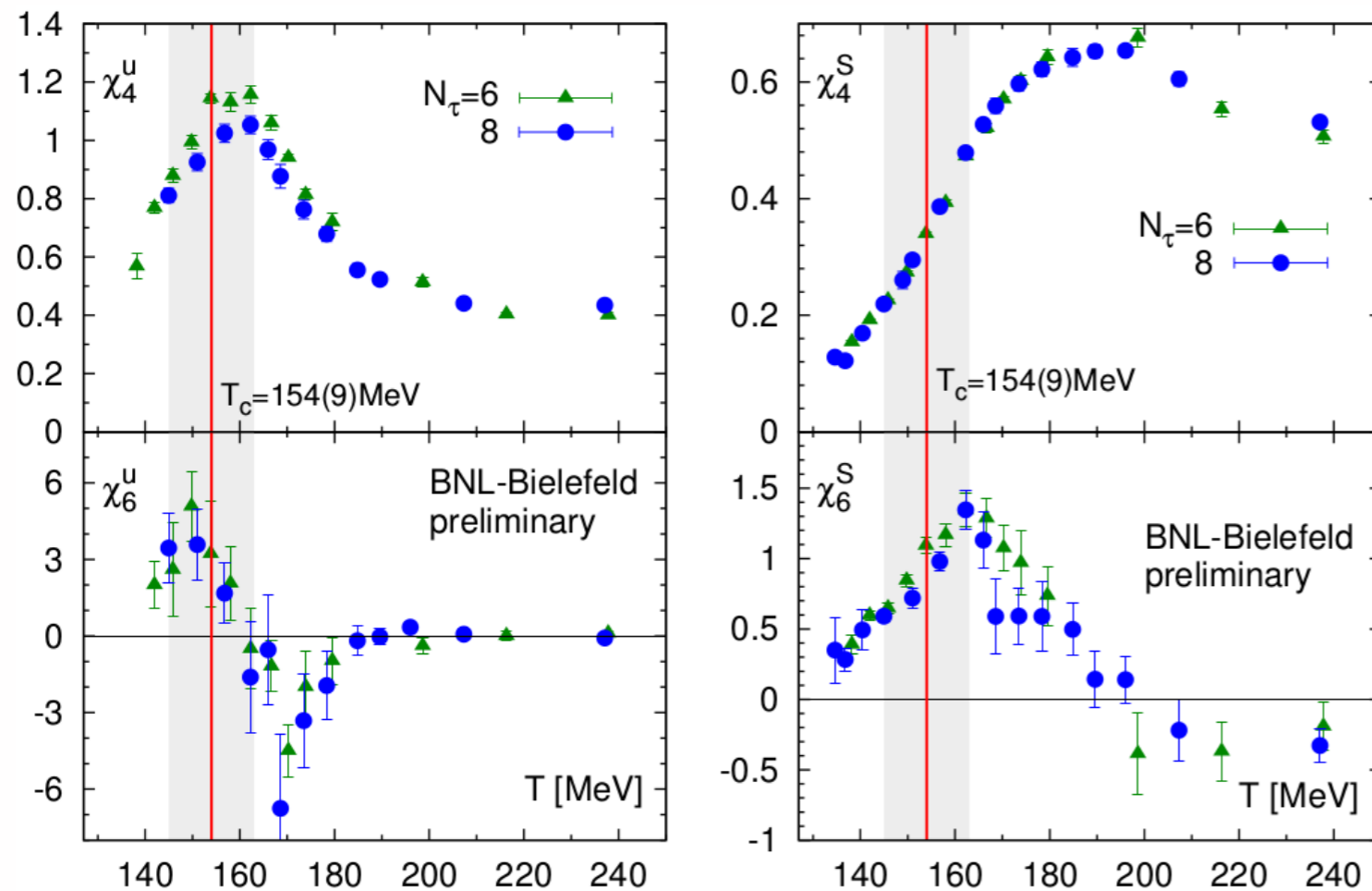
[STAR Coll. 2014; PHENIX Coll 1506.07834]

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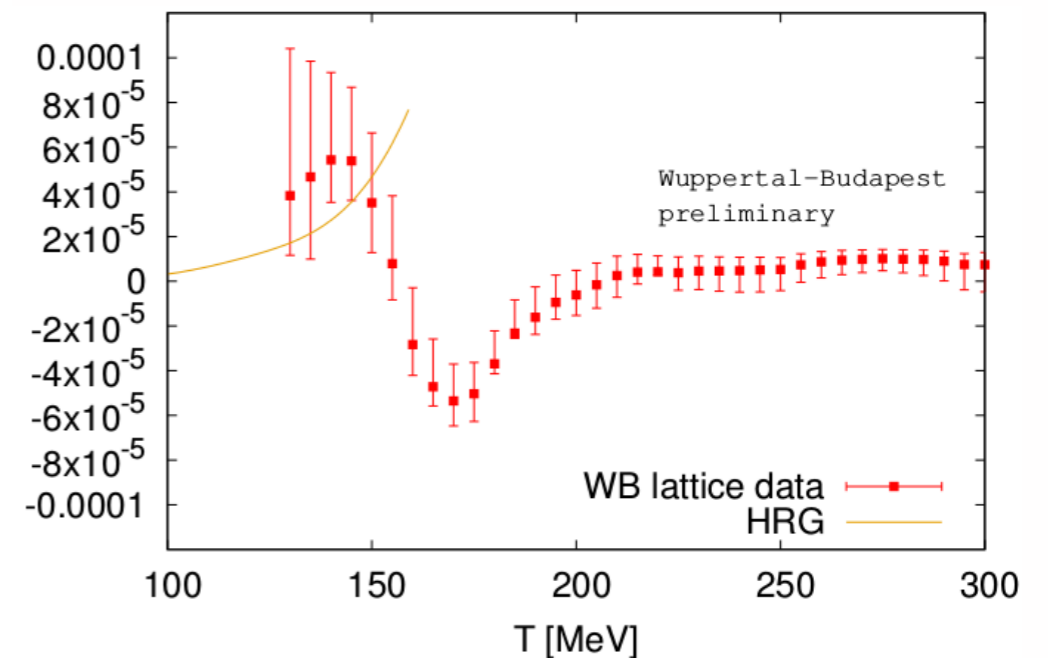
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change of sign \rightarrow deviations from HRG \rightarrow criticality

[Schmidt et al. 2015]



[Bellwied et al. 2016]



Grand potential

Low energy QCD model: $\phi = (\sigma, \vec{\pi})$

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi} (\not{\partial} + g(\sigma + i\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi}\gamma_5)) \psi + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \phi)^2 + V_{\text{Meson}}(\phi)$$

Partition function:

$$\mathcal{Z}(T, \mu) = \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-\int d^4x \mathcal{L}(\bar{\psi}, \psi, \phi)}$$

replace with (const.)
condensate σ

Integration of quarks, **neglect bosonic fluctuations**: → mean-field approximations **MFA**

Integration of quarks **and bosonic fluctuations**: → renormalization group treatment **FRG**

Grand potential (Polyakov-)quark-meson model (quark loop)

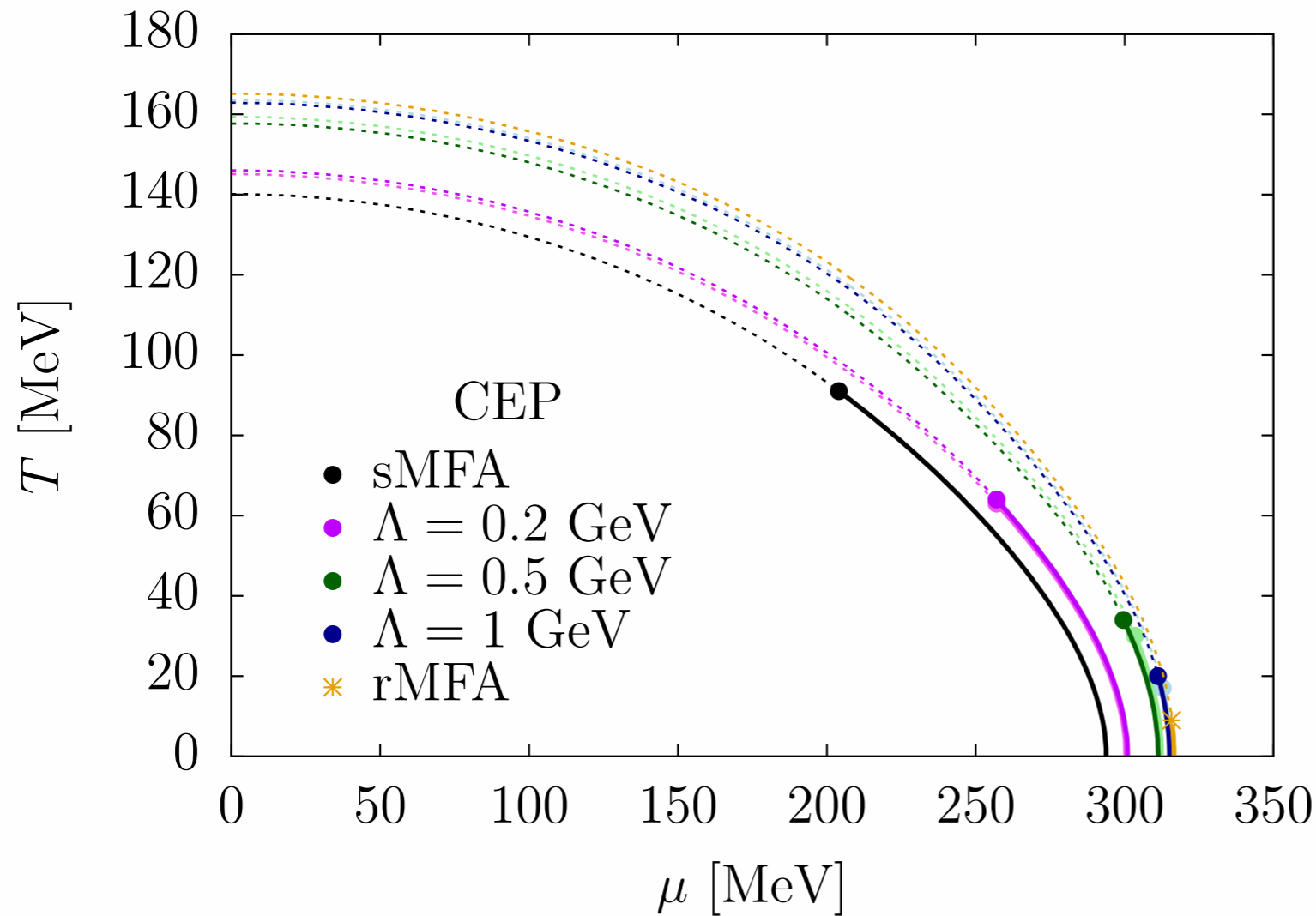
$$\Omega(T, \mu; \sigma) = \Omega_{\text{vac}} + \Omega_{\text{T}} + V_{\text{MF}}(\sigma) \quad (+\mathcal{U}_{\text{Poly}}(\Phi))$$

$$\underbrace{-4 \int^{\Lambda} \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \sqrt{\vec{p}^2 + m_q^2}}$$

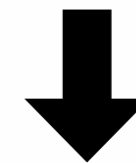
Vacuum term: regularize e.g. with
sharp O(3)-momentum cutoff

Infinite volume

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sMFA: no vacuum fluctuations



rMFA: renormalized MFA

e.g.

Pauli-Villars regularization

sharp $O(3)$ -momentum cutoff

proper-time regularization

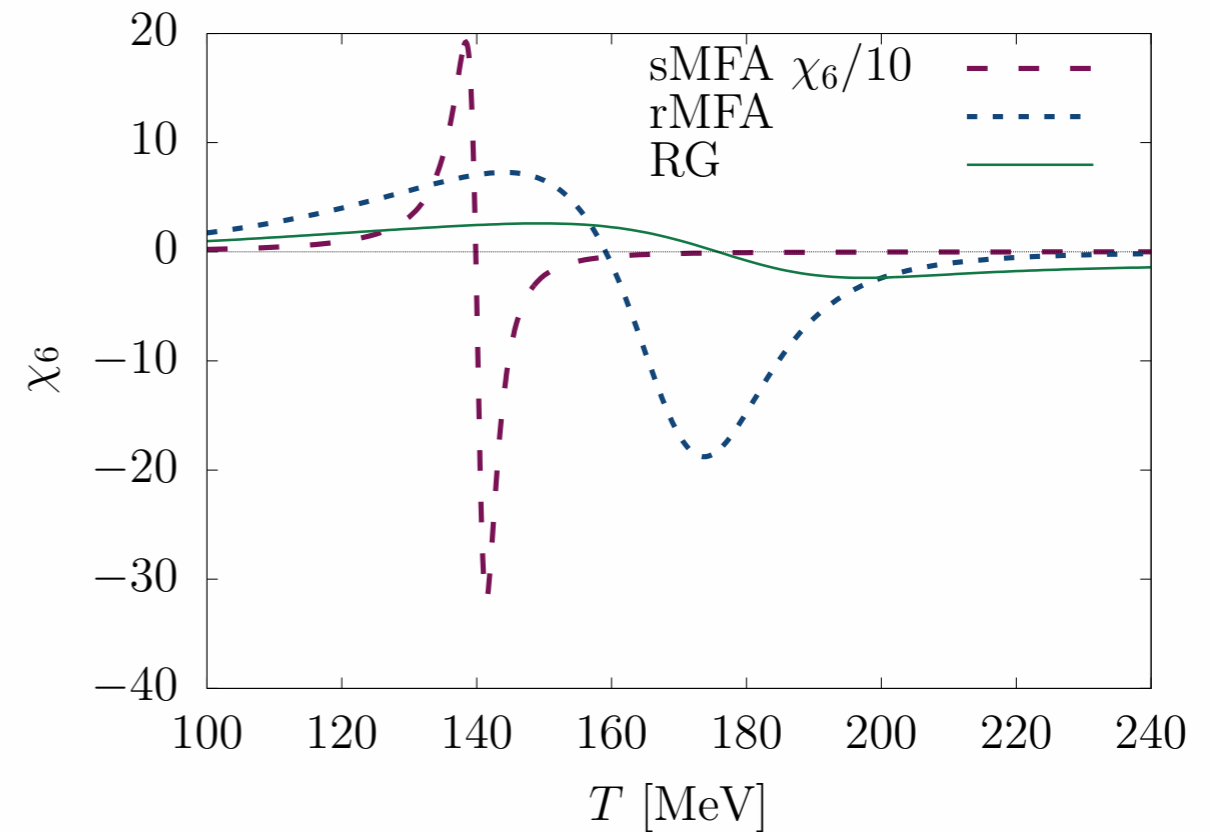
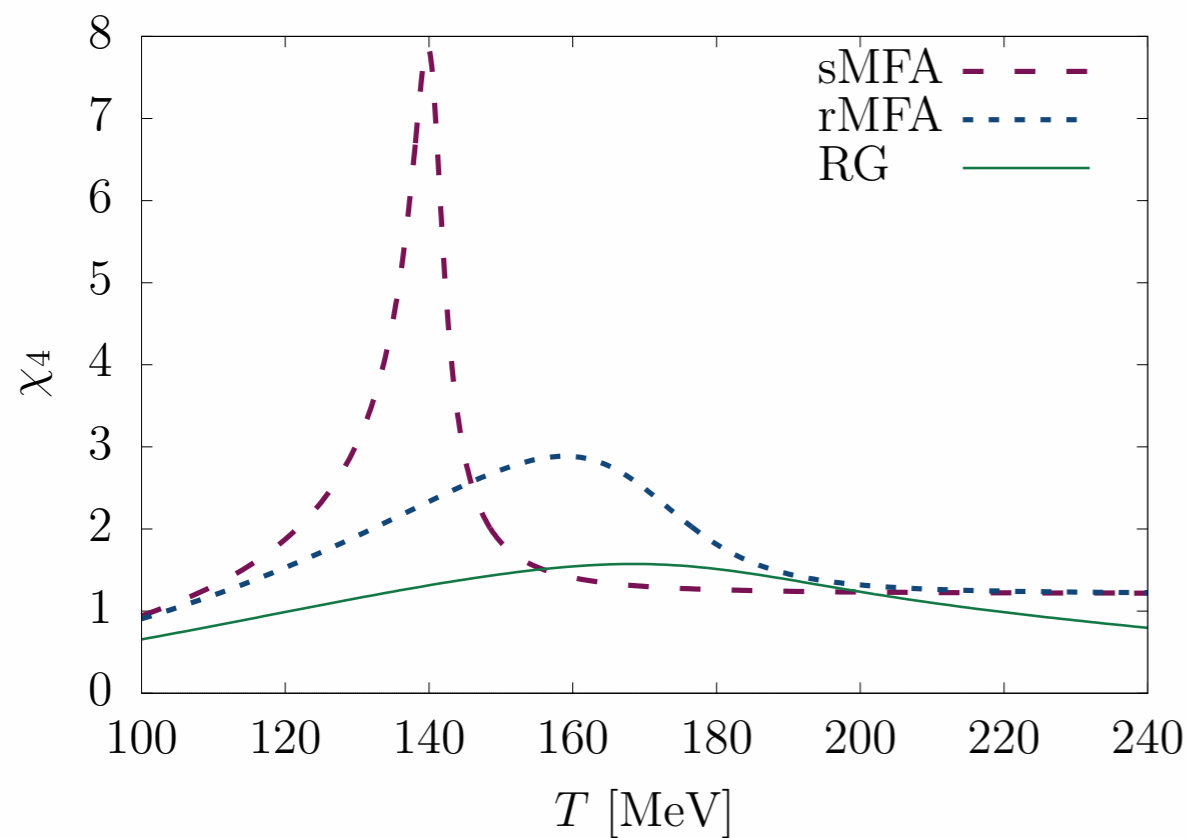
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generalized susceptibilities

standard MFA:
no quark vacuum fluctuations

renormalized MFA:
including quark vacuum fluctuations

RG:
quark + meson fluctuations

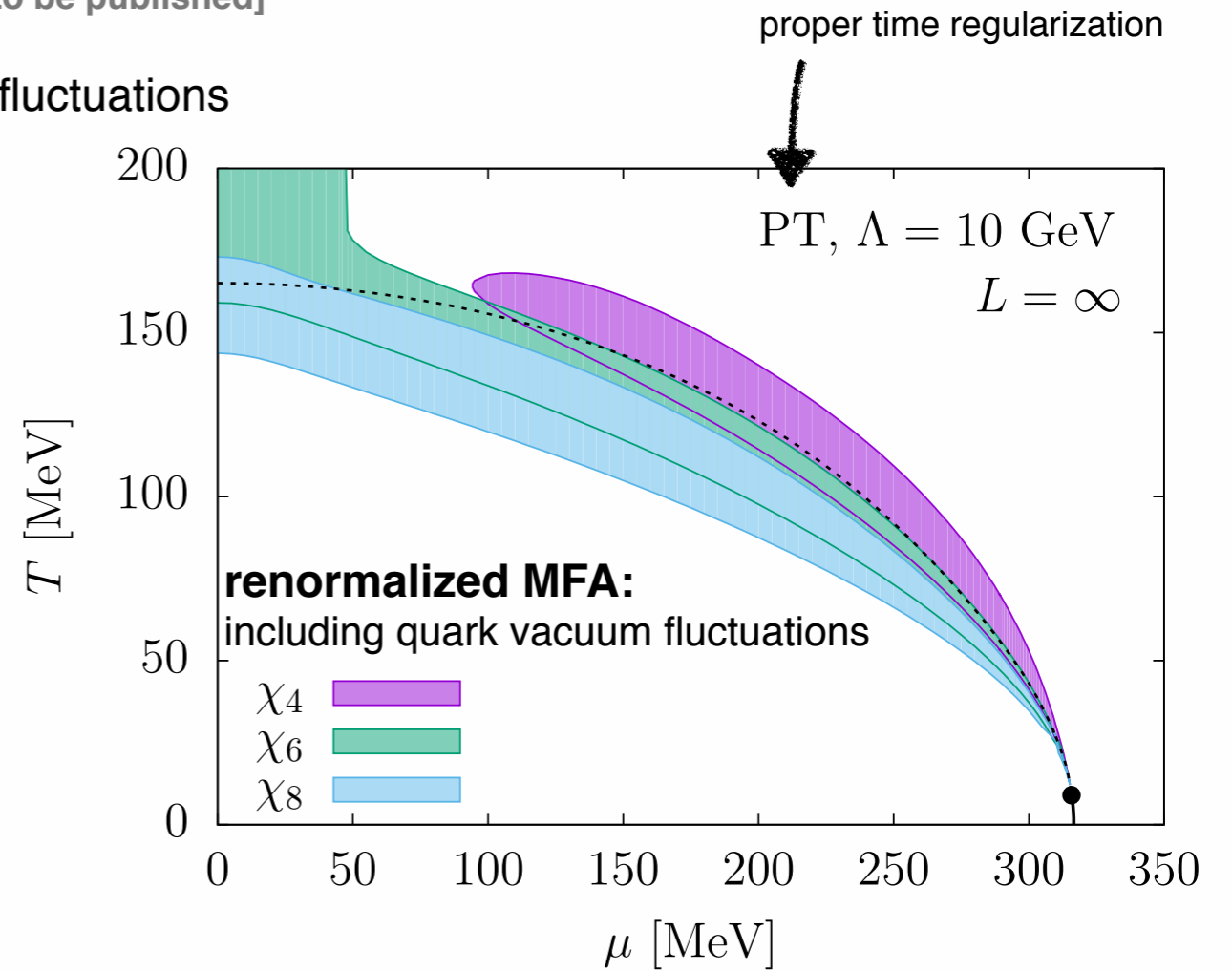
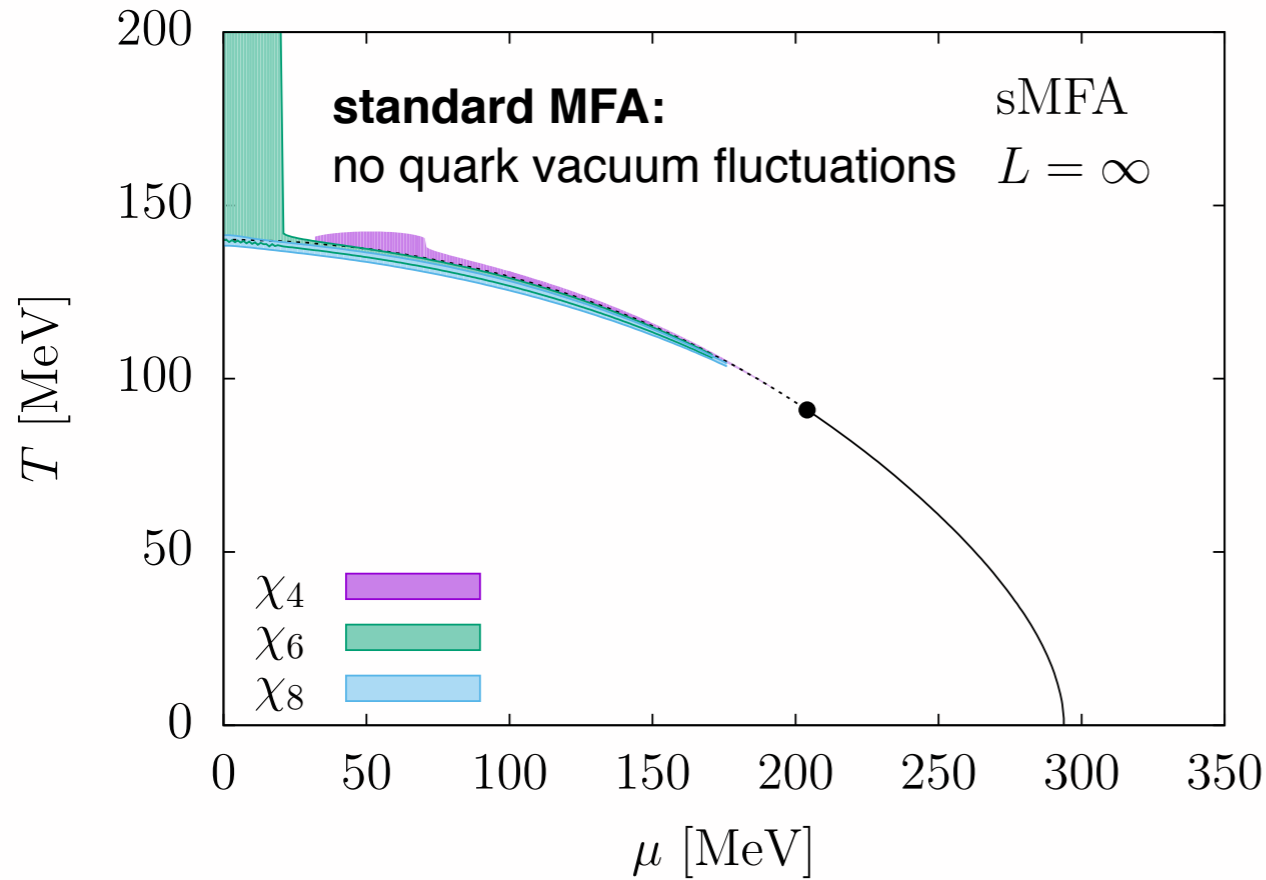


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infinite volume: influence of fluctuations



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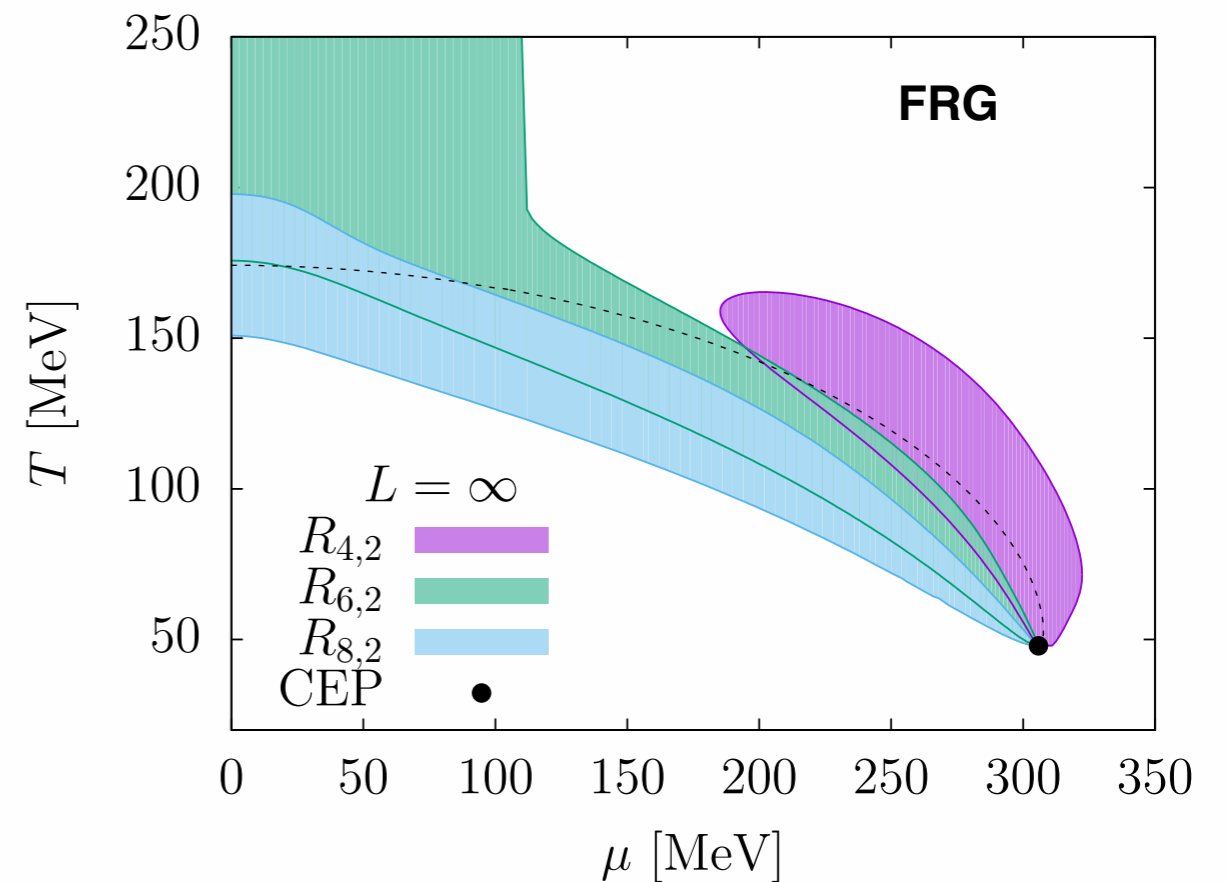
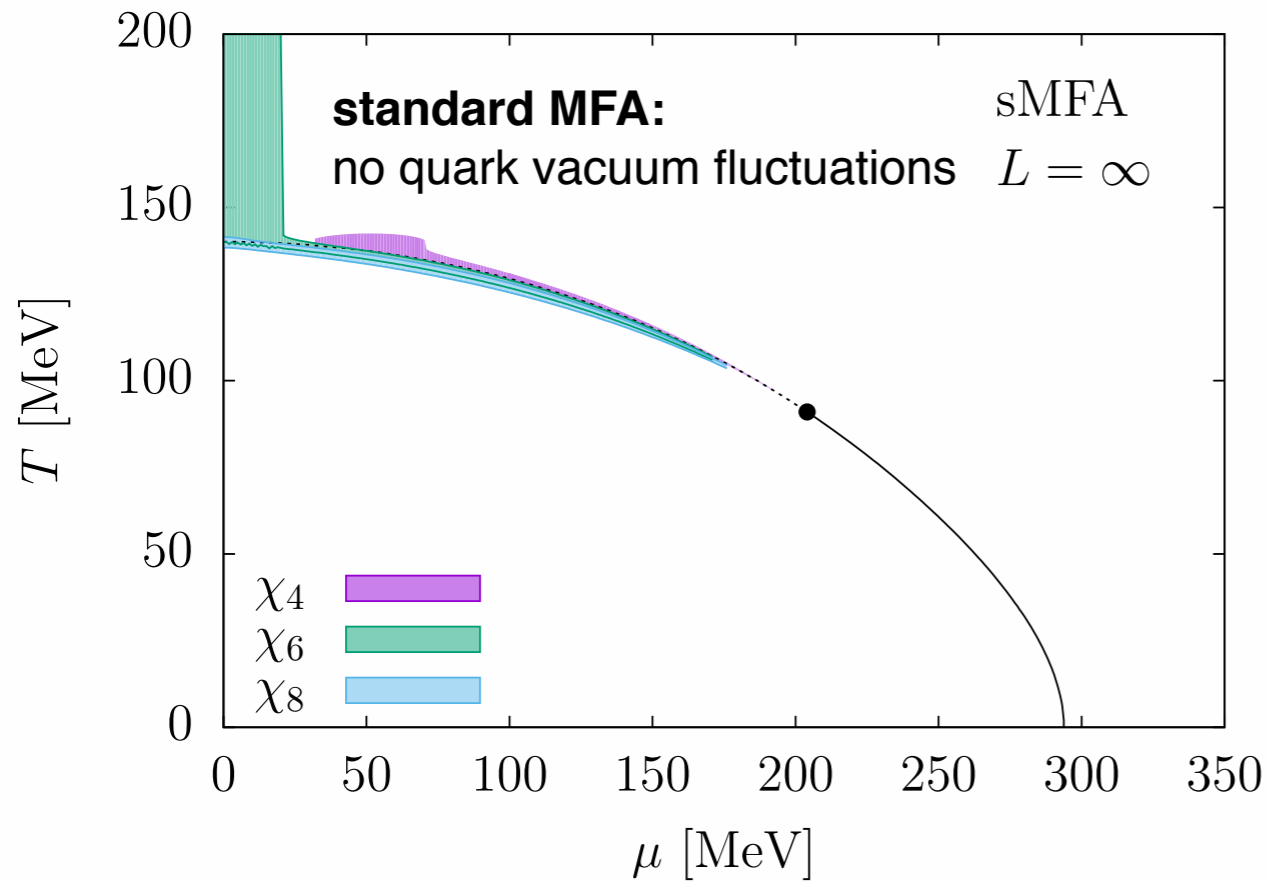
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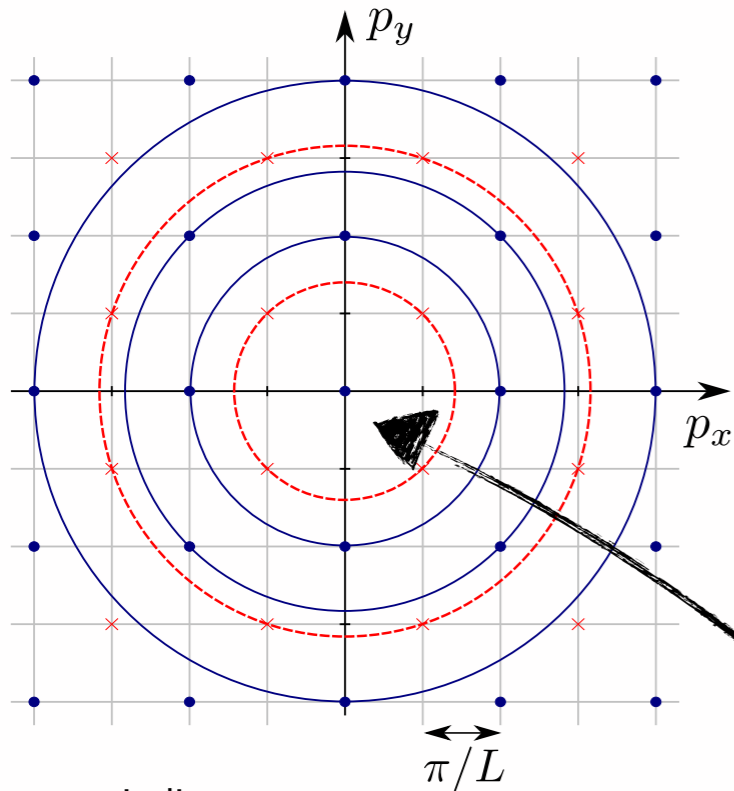


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Finite volume



- periodic
- × antiperiodic boundary conditions

Boundary conditions (BC)

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ABC: antiperiodic

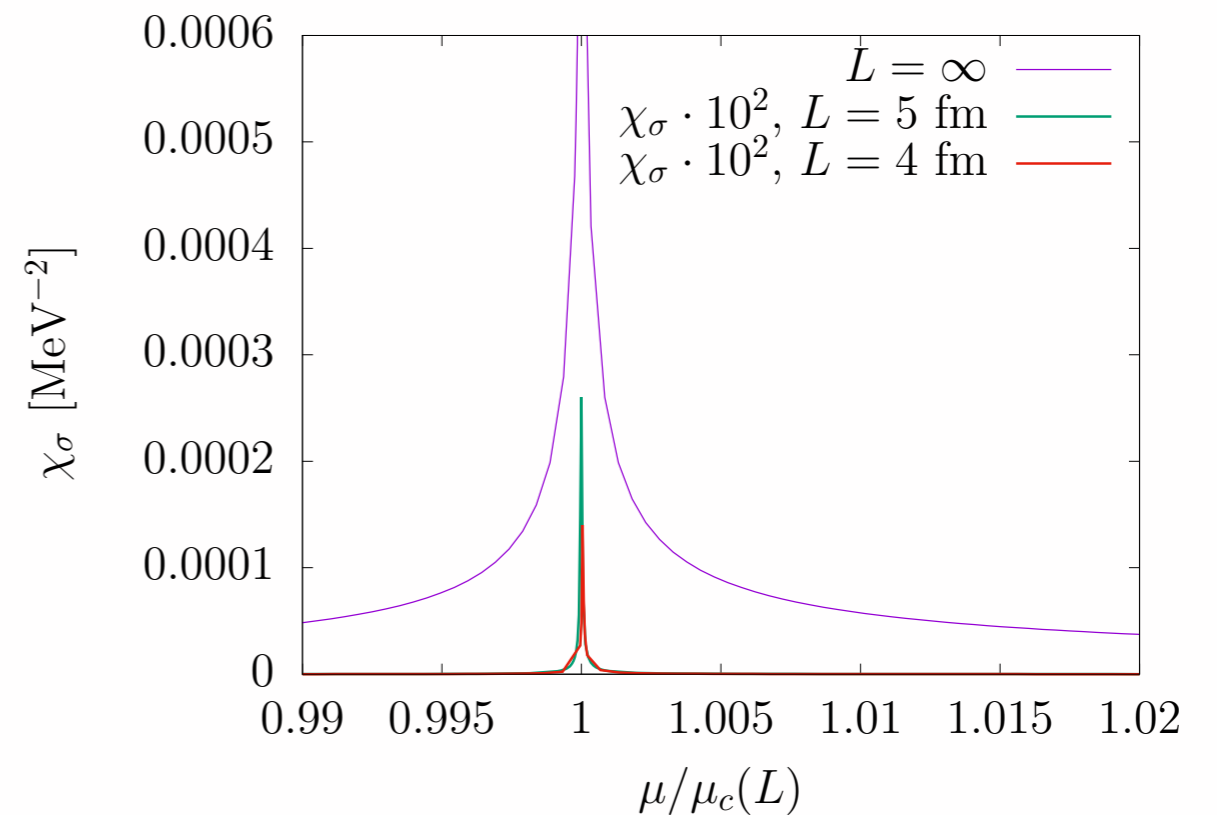
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dp_a}{2\pi} \dots \rightarrow \frac{1}{L} \sum_{n_a}$$

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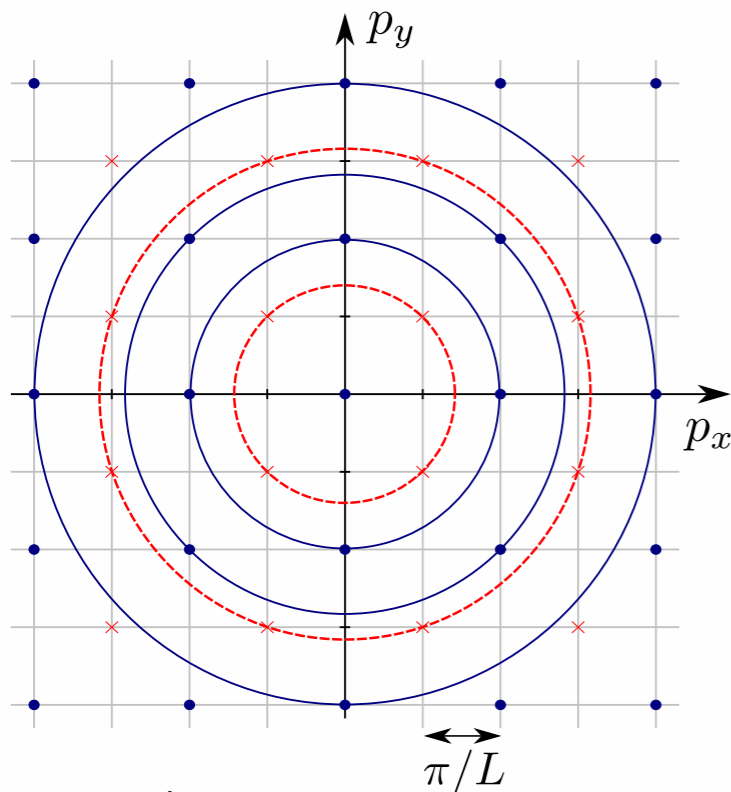
$$T \leftrightarrow 1/L$$

Longitudinal susceptibility:

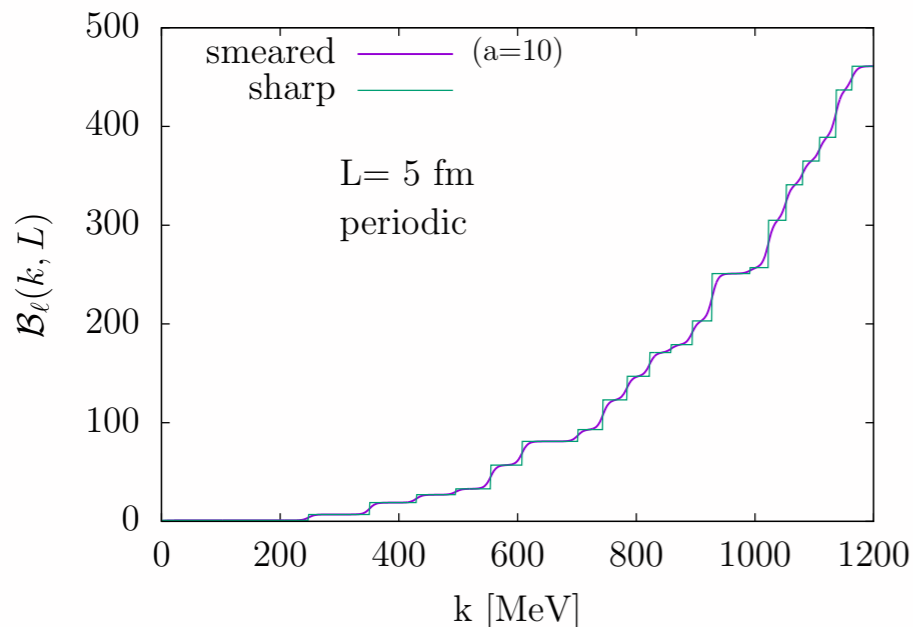
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Flow for sharp Litim regulator (not suitable for finite volume)

$$\partial_k U_k(T, L) \sim \mathcal{B}_\ell \cdot \partial_k U_k(T, \infty)$$

$$\mathcal{B}_\ell(k, L) = \frac{6\pi^2}{(kL)^3} \sum_{\vec{n}} \Theta(k^2 - \vec{p}_\ell^2)$$

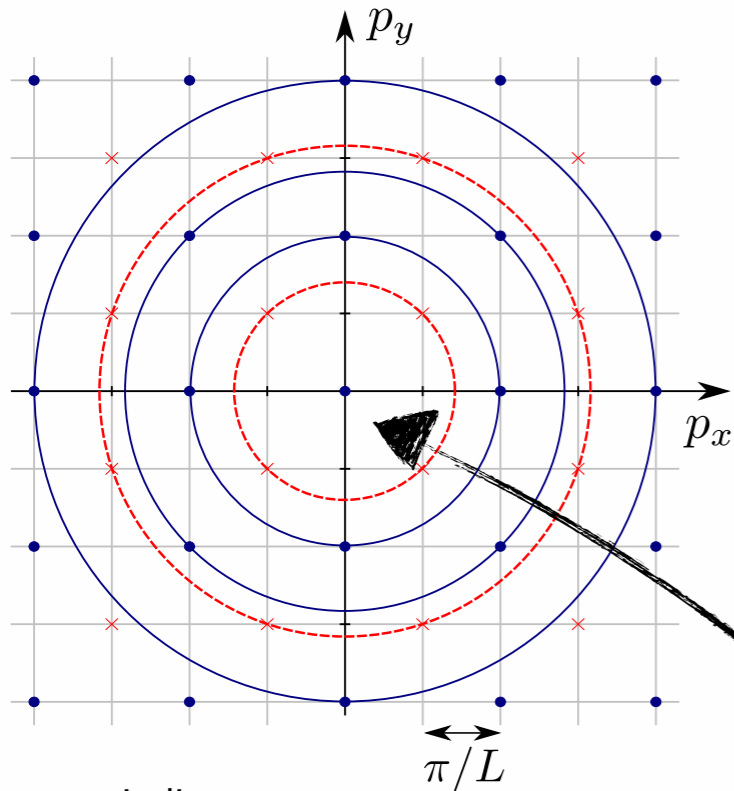
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→ use smeared regulator

[Fister, Pawłowski 2015]

[Tripolt, Braun, Klein, BJS 2012, 2014]

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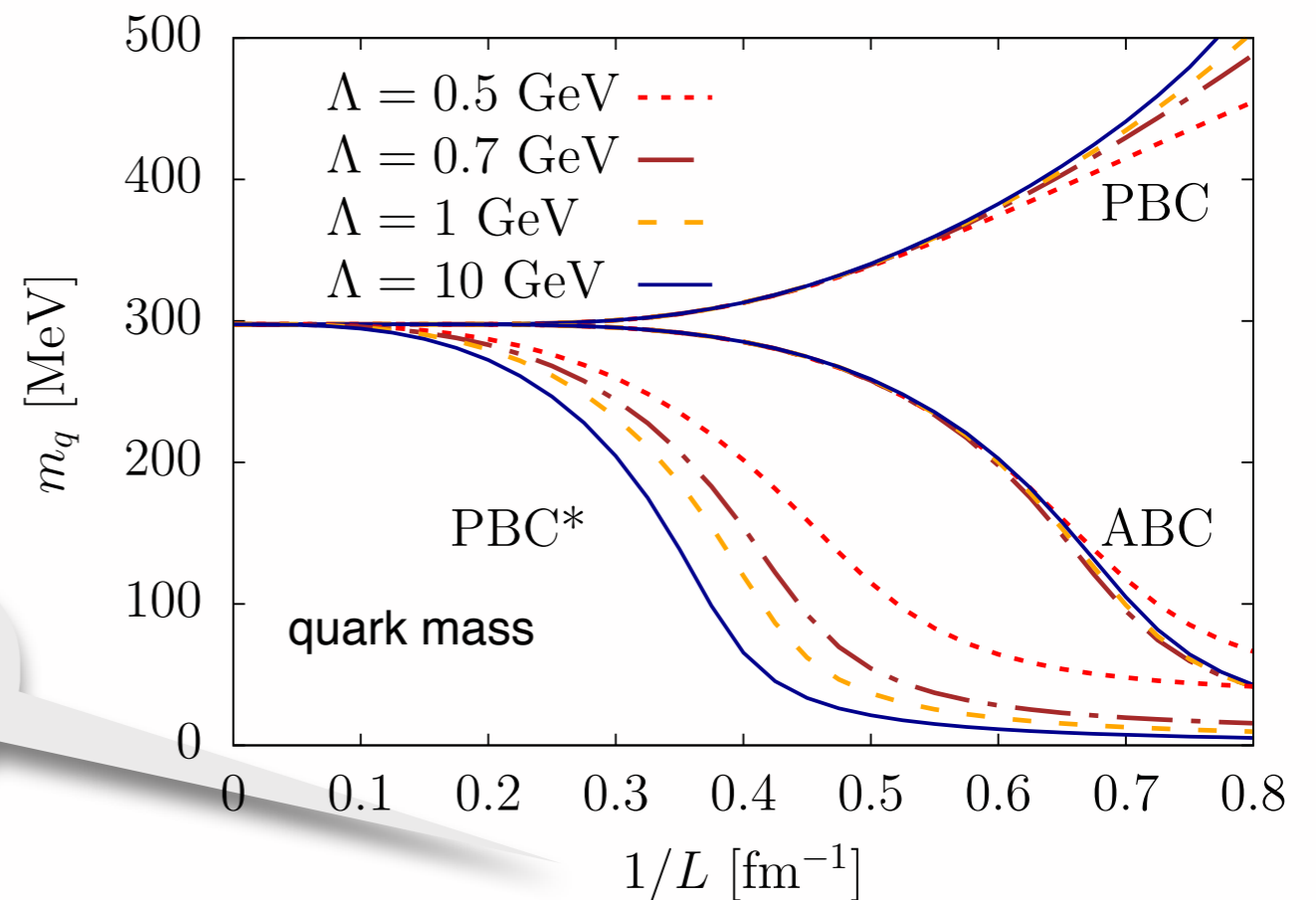
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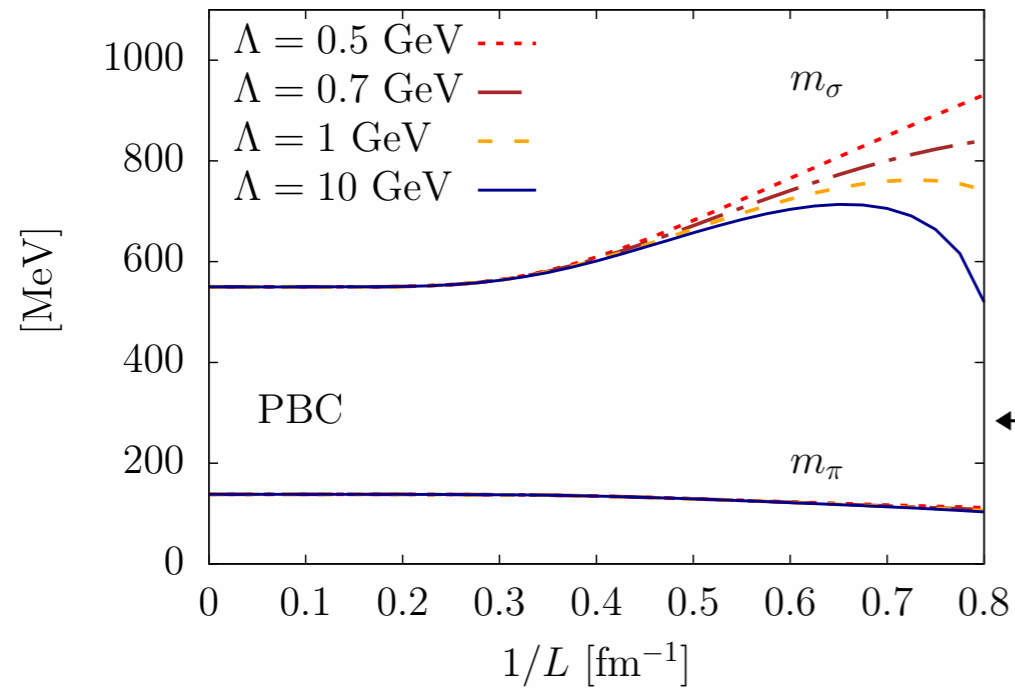
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Vacuum meson masses

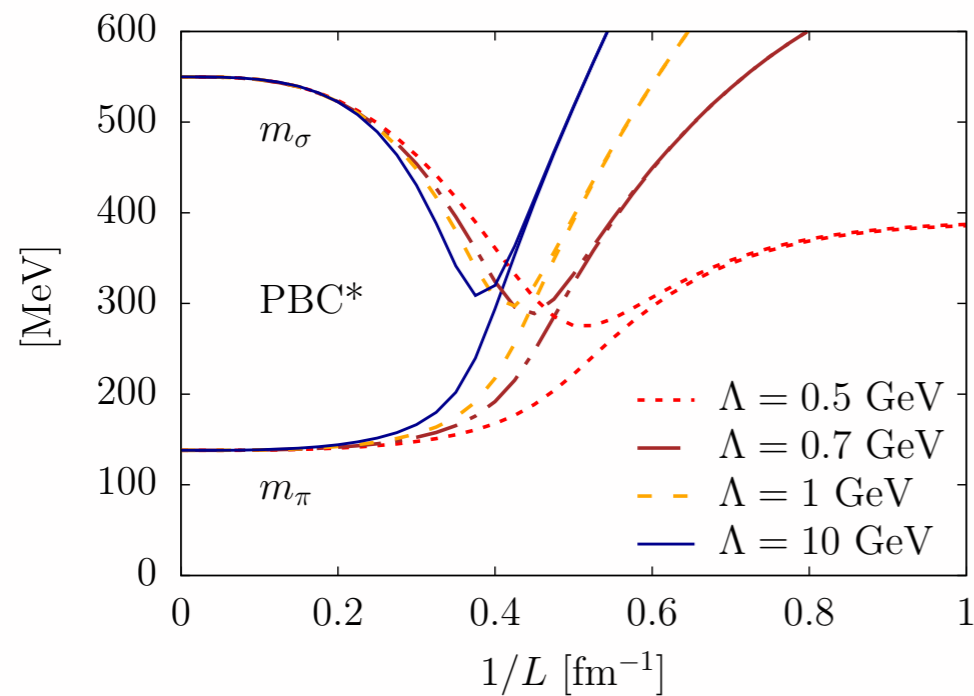
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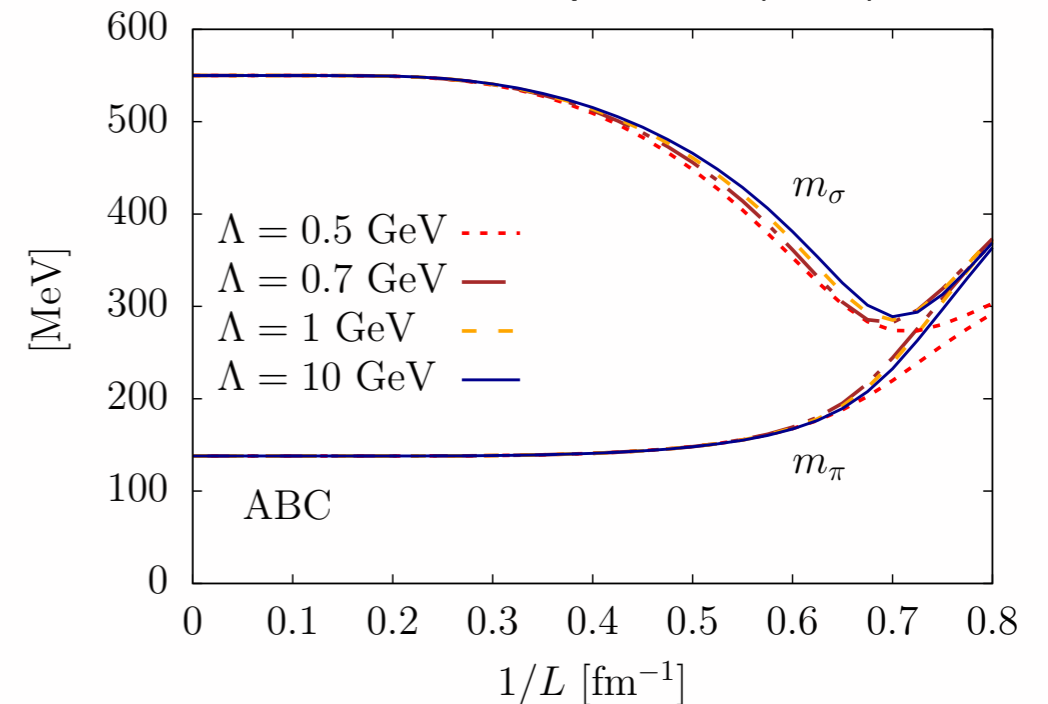
curvature masses (not pole masses)

← periodic including zero-mode (PBC)

periodic without zero-mode (PBC*)



antiperiodic (ABC)



Thermodynamics on a torus

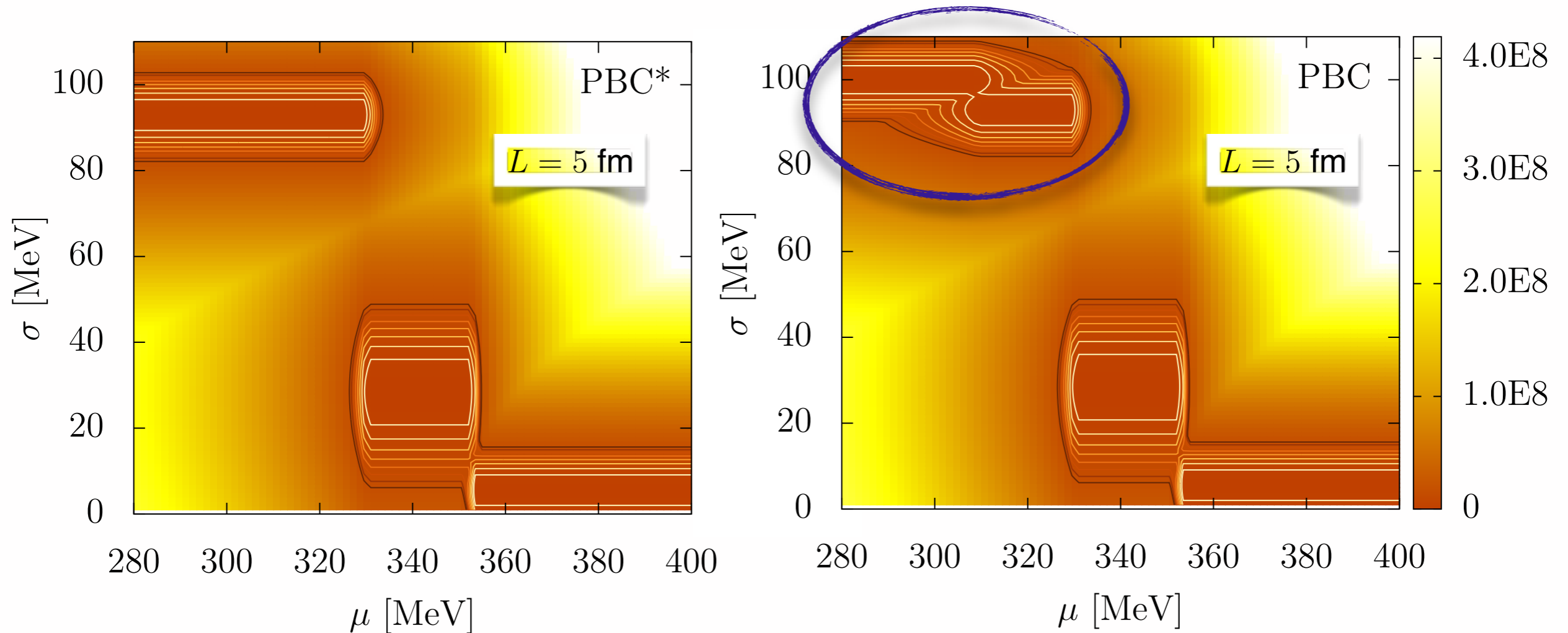
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for each mode: discontinuous jumps in potential

contour plot of potential



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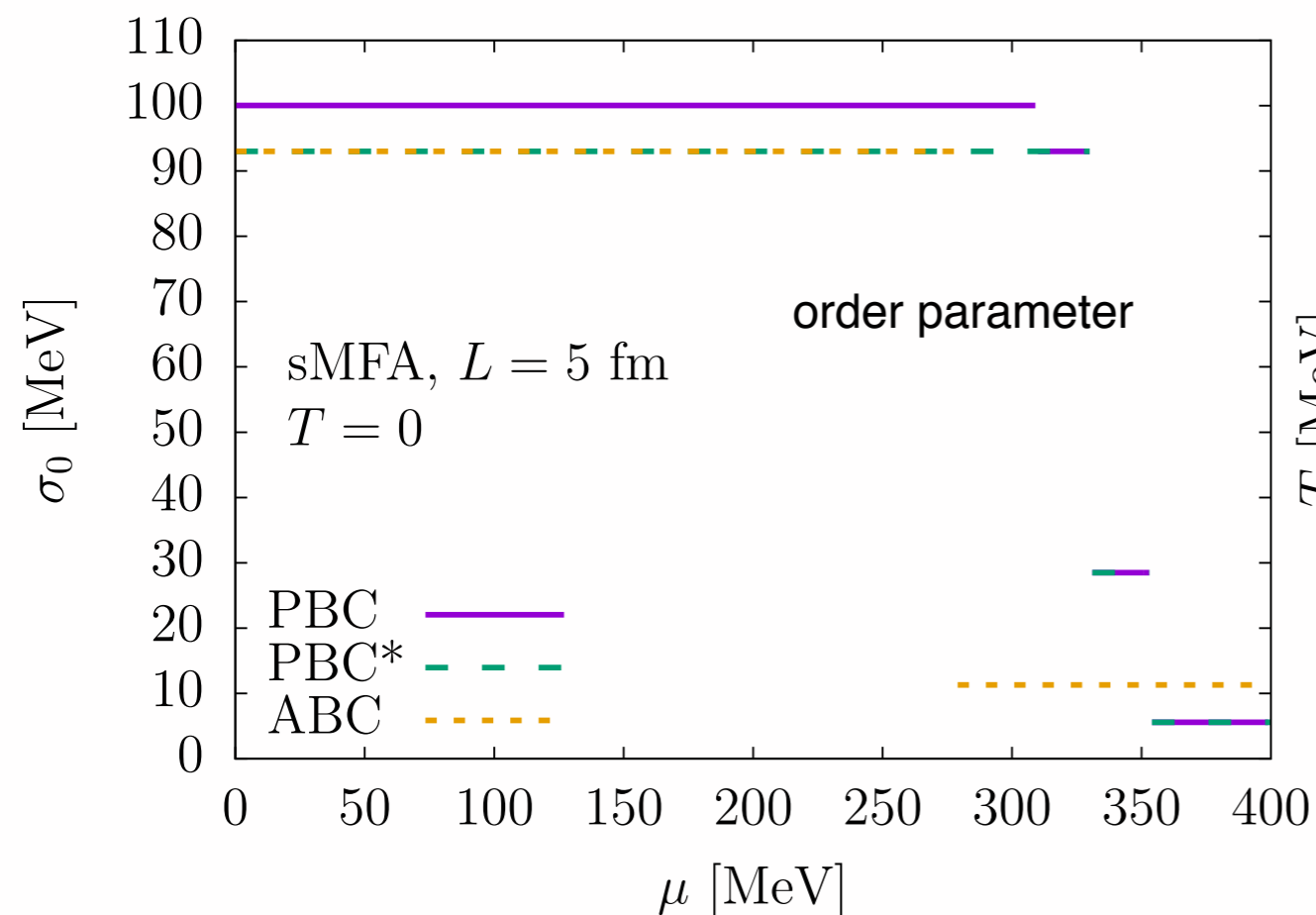
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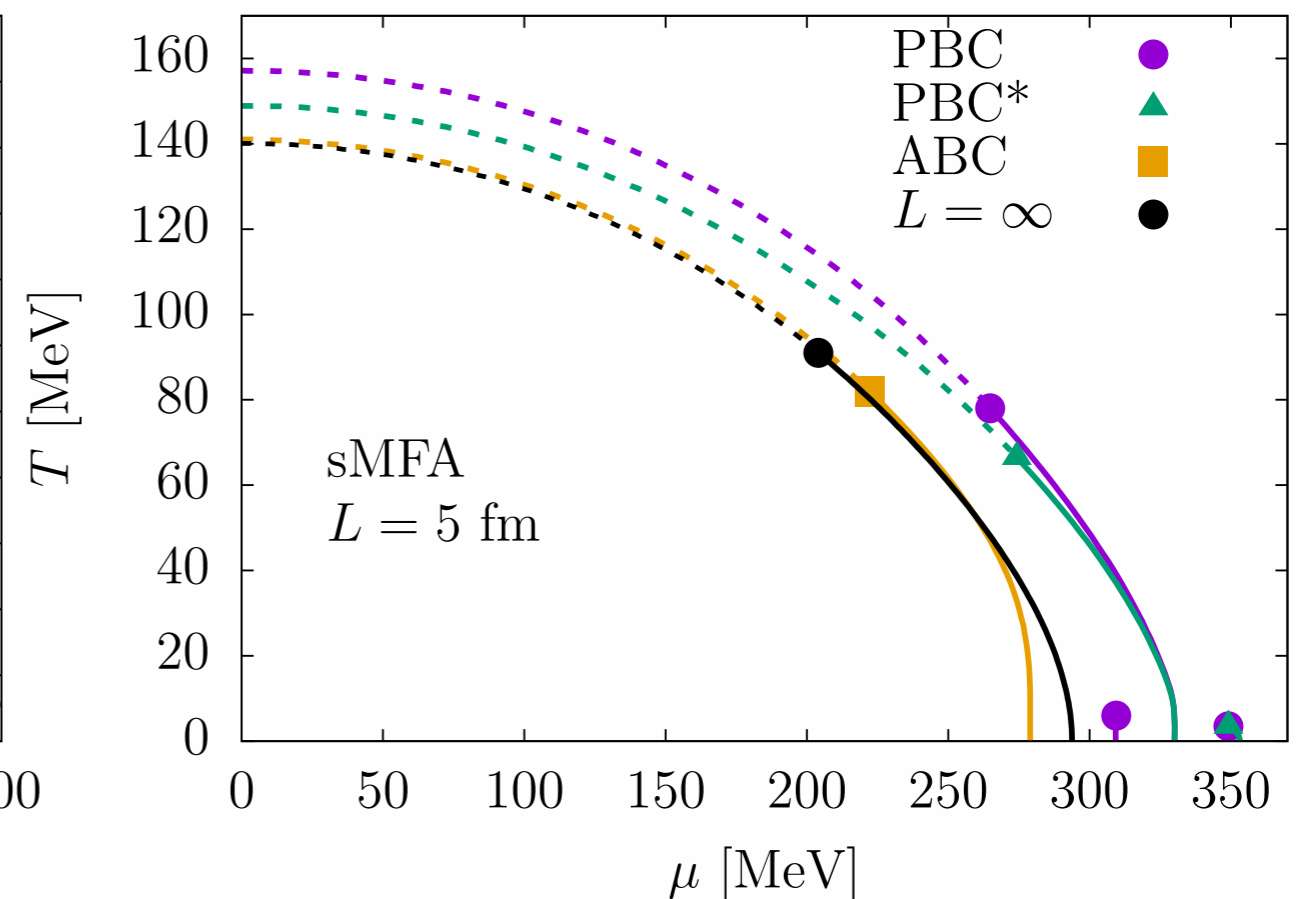
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discontinuous jumps washed out at $T>0$



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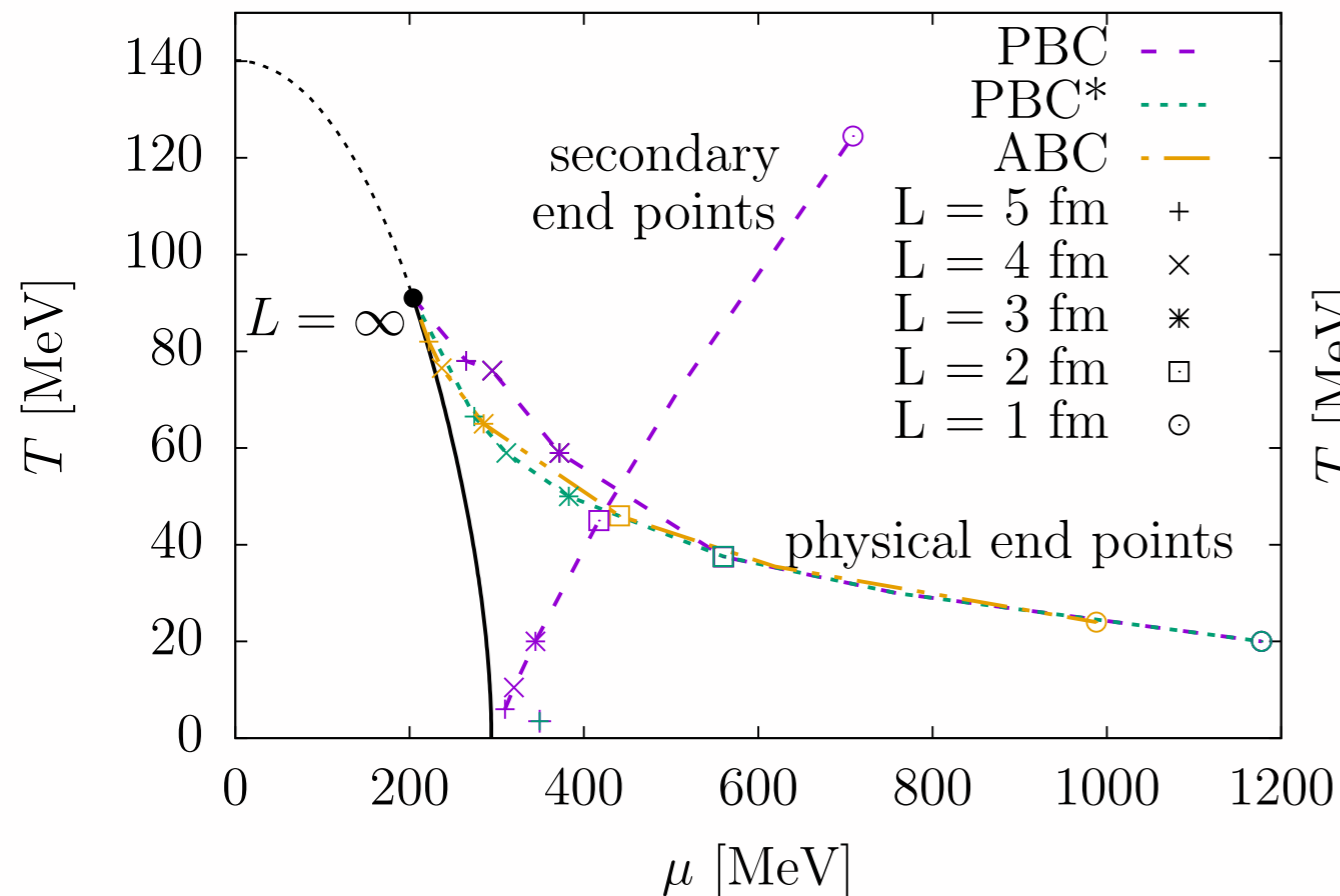
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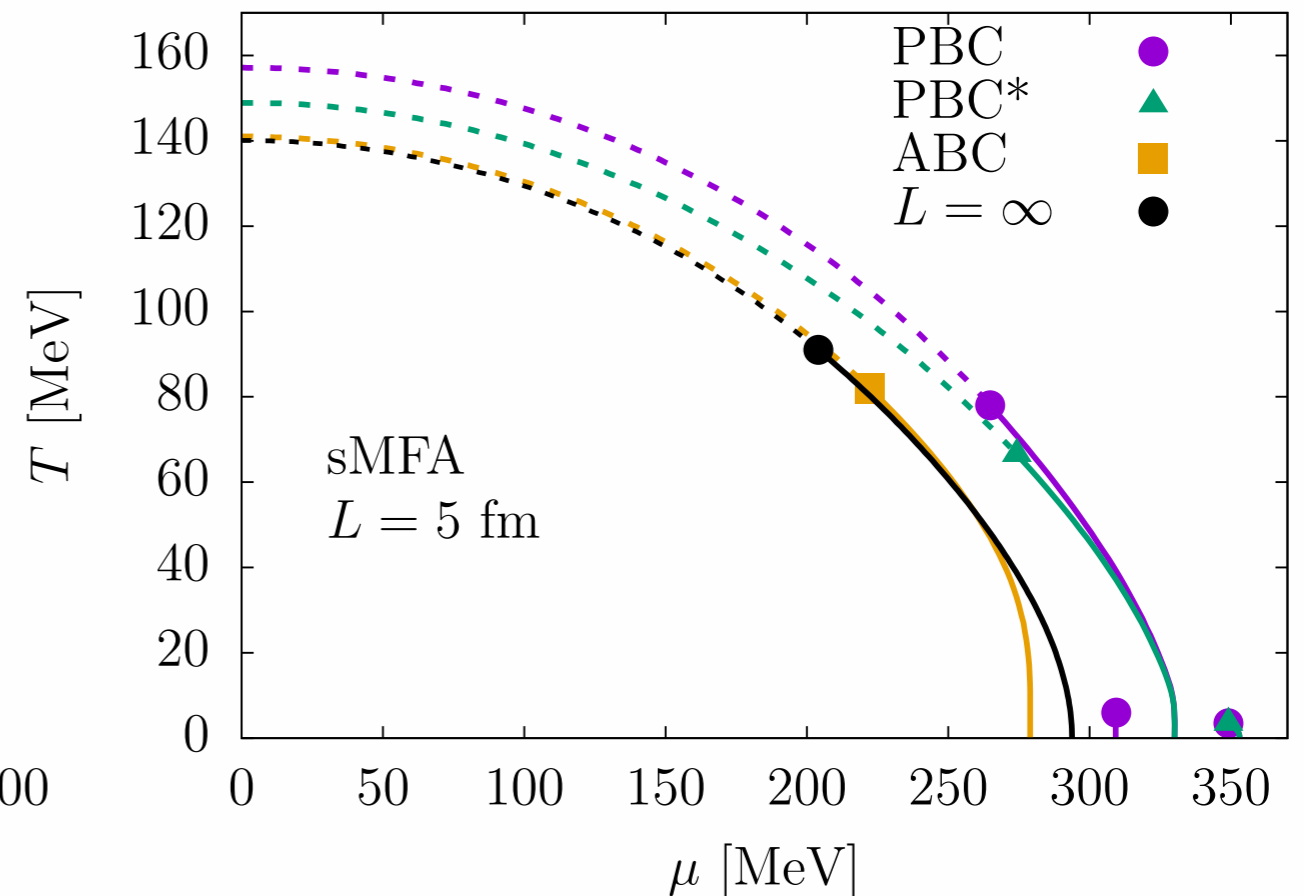
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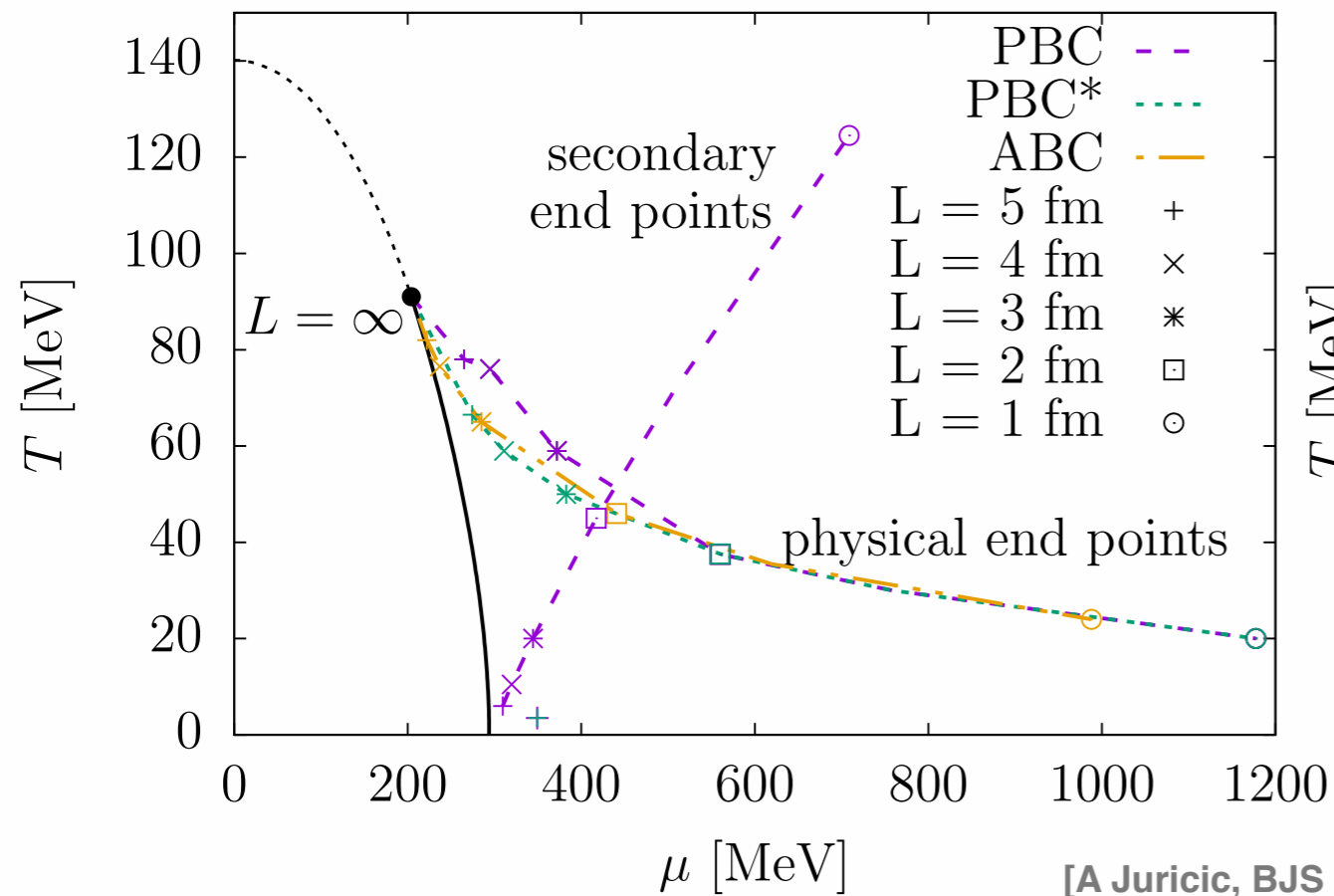
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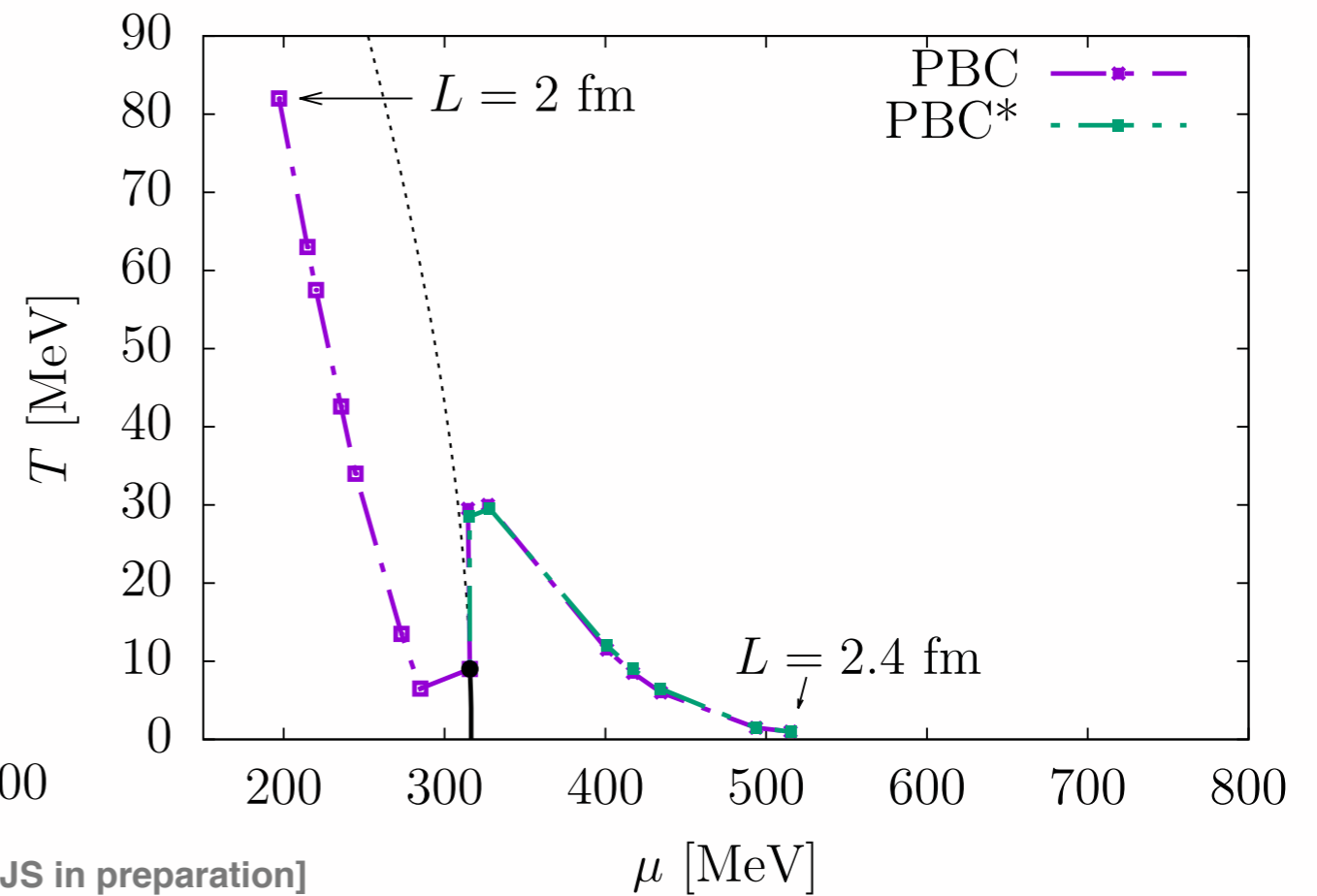
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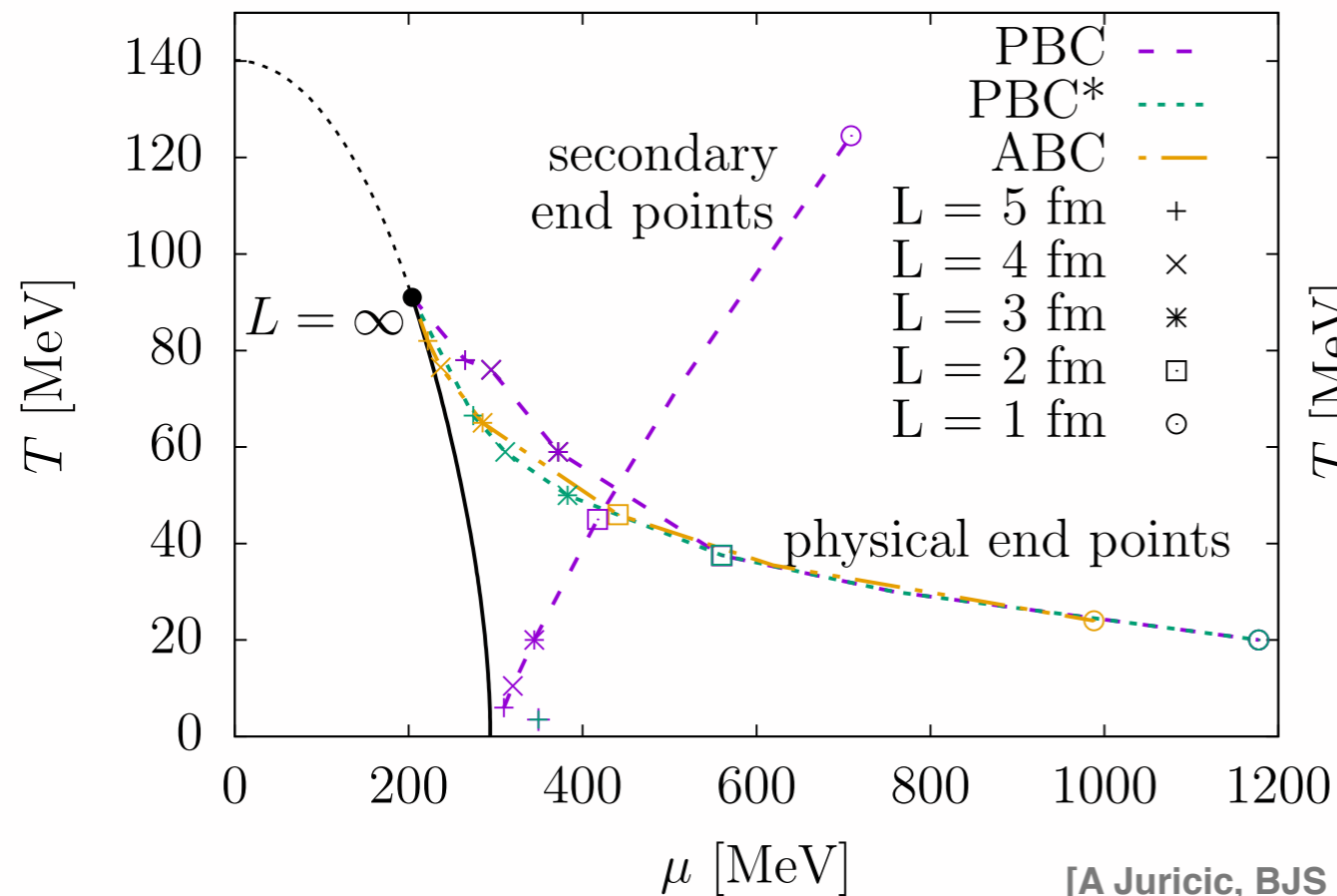


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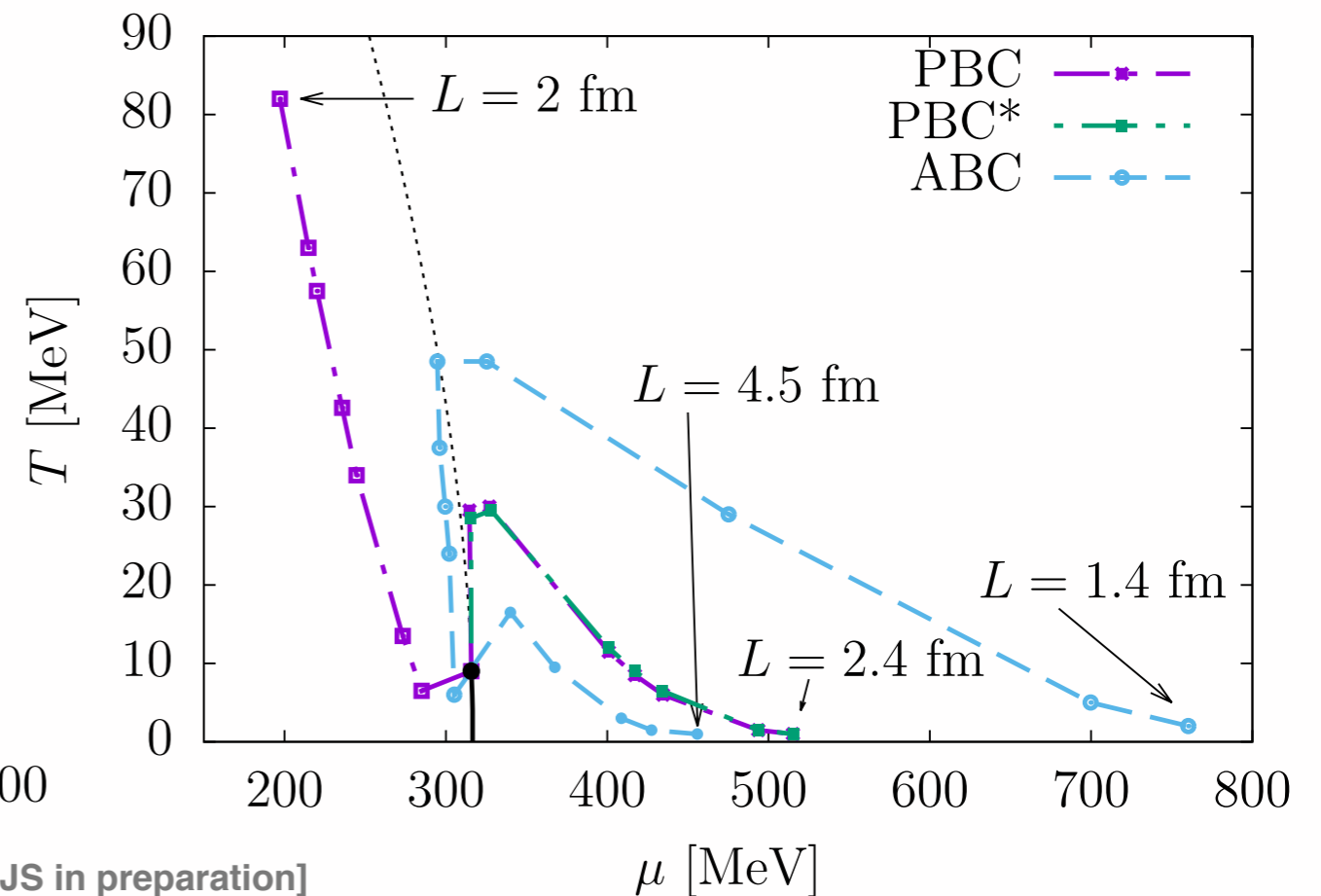
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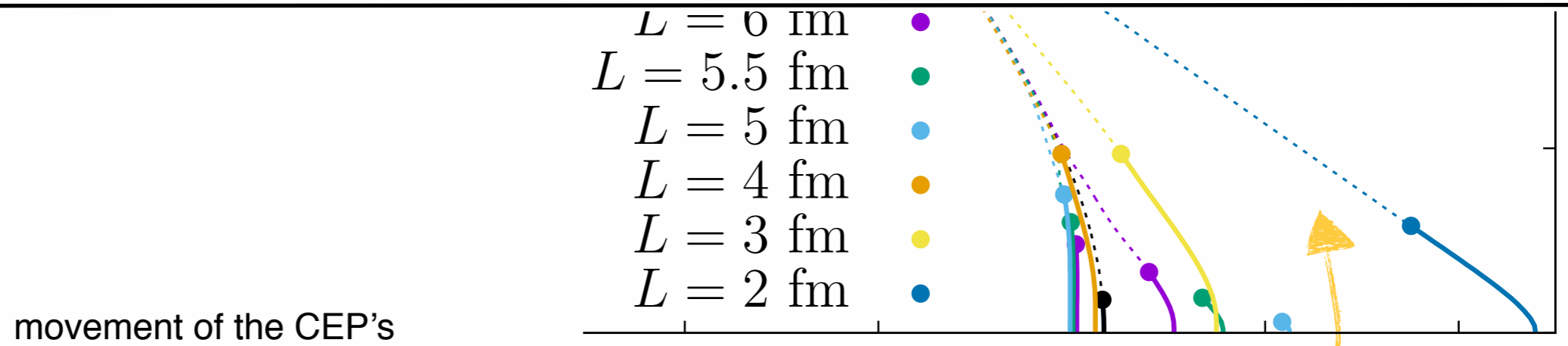


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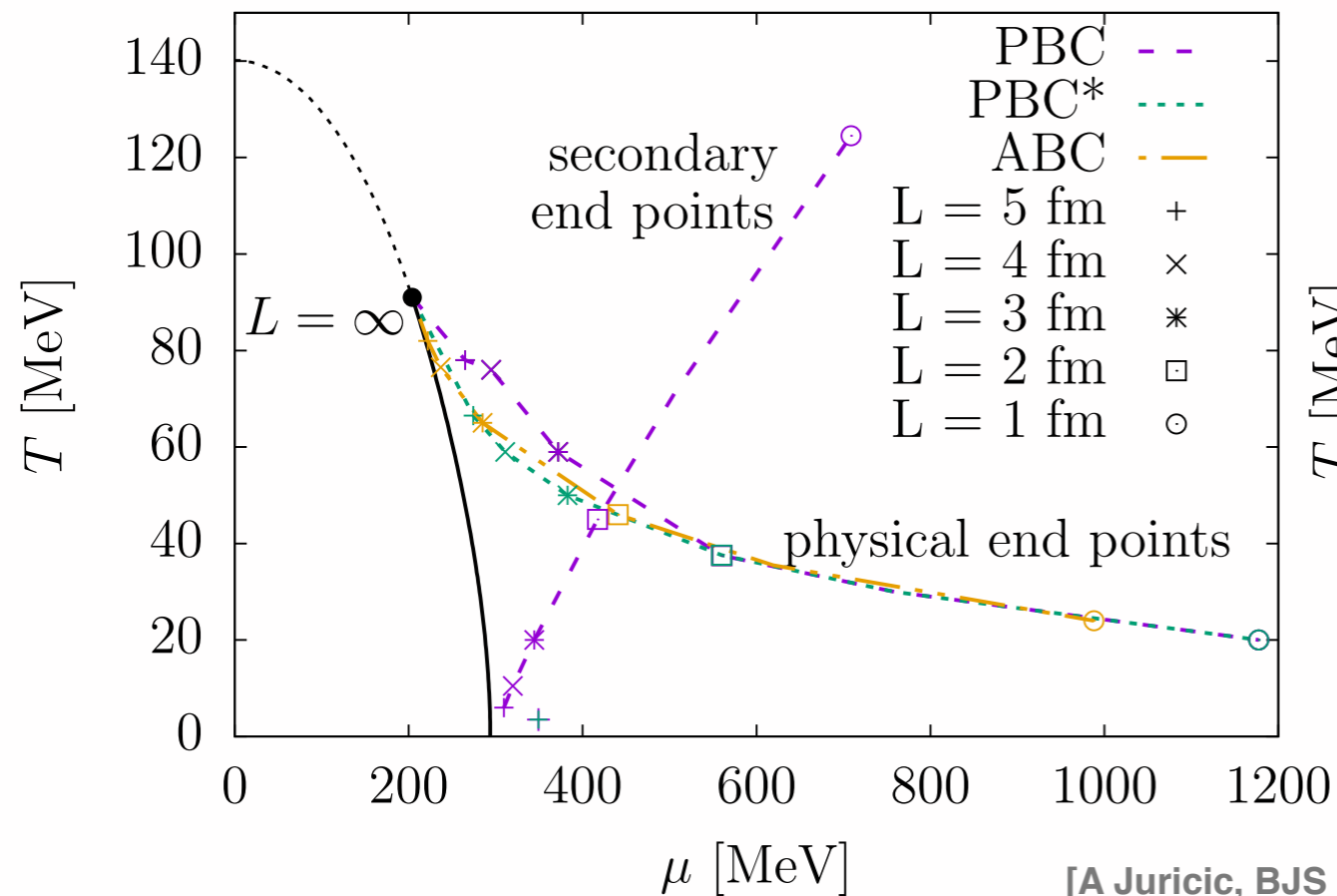


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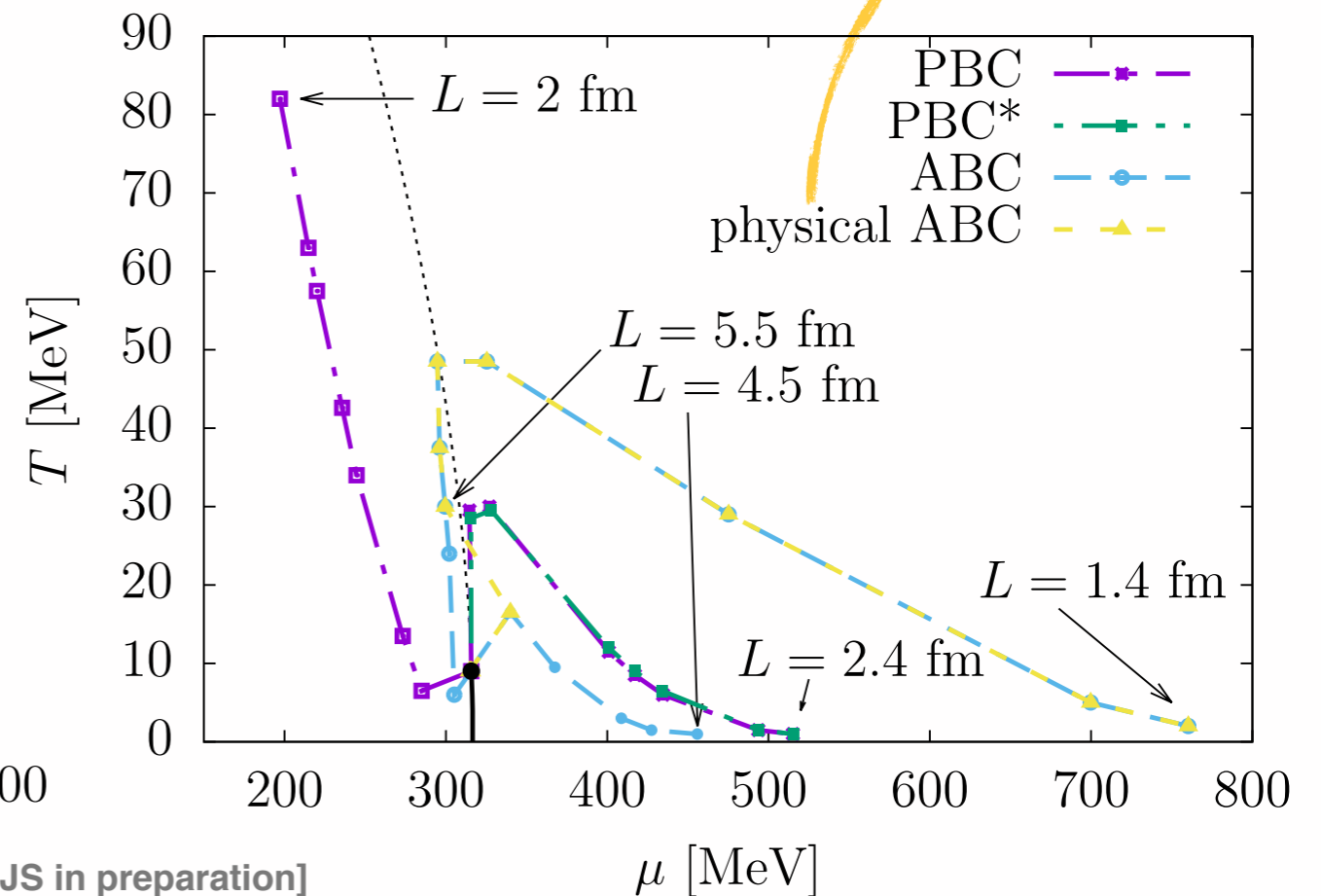
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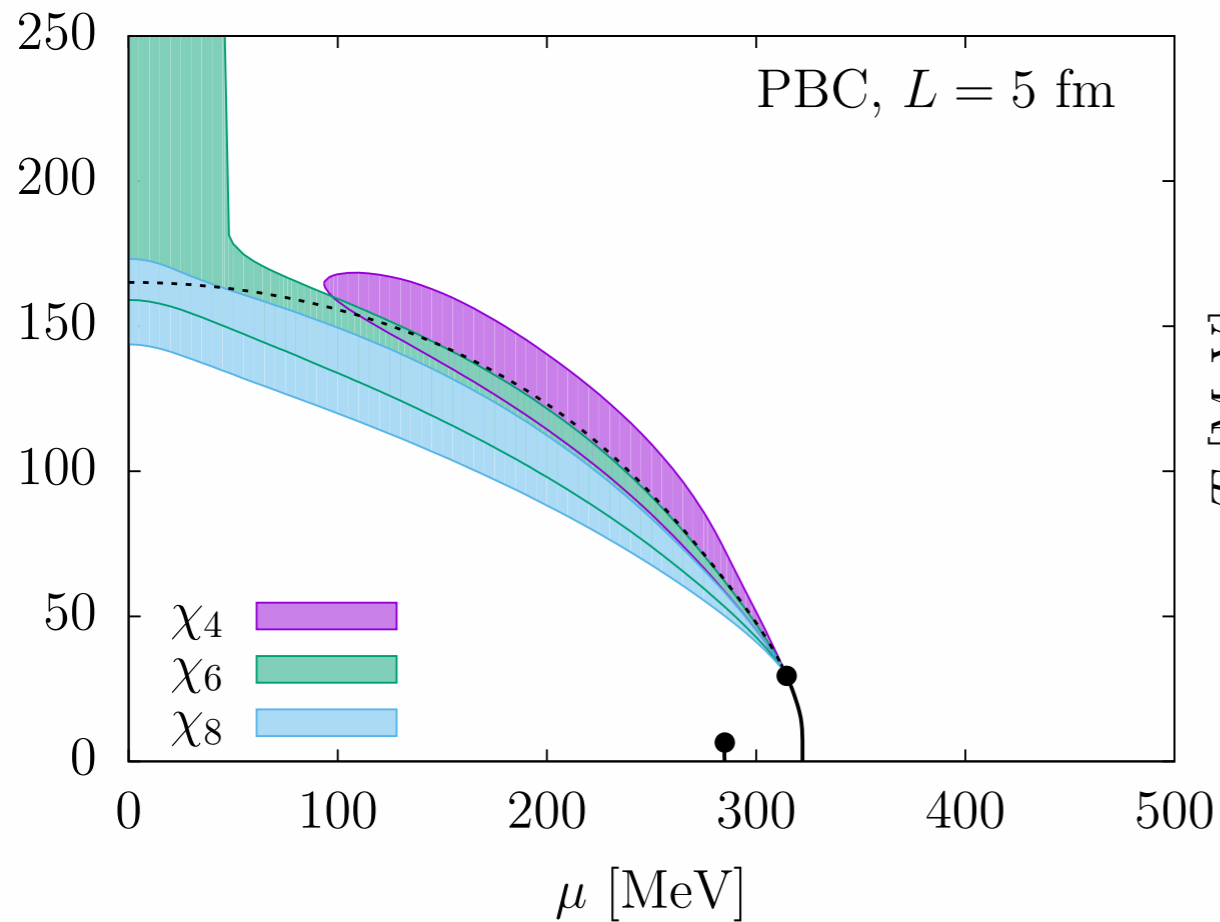
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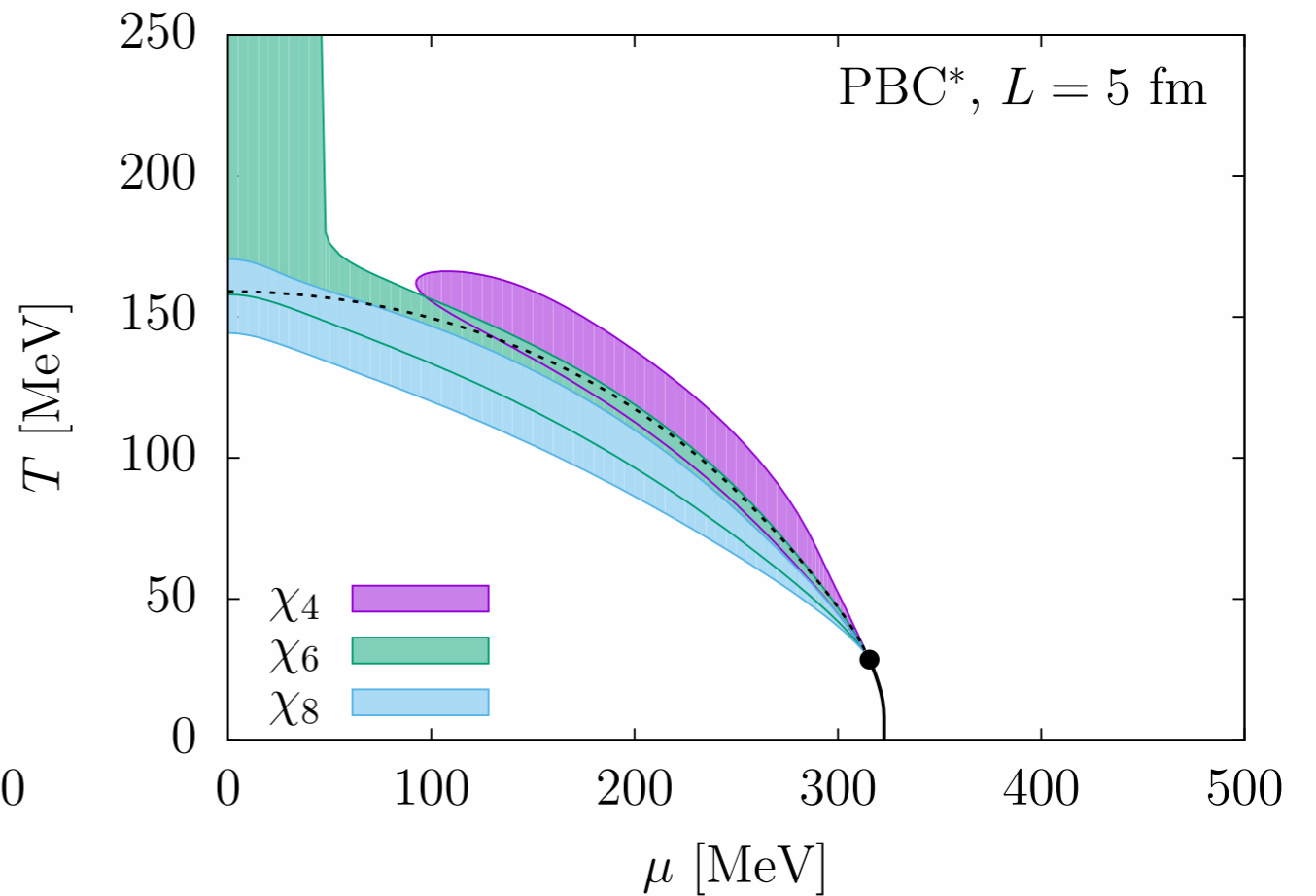
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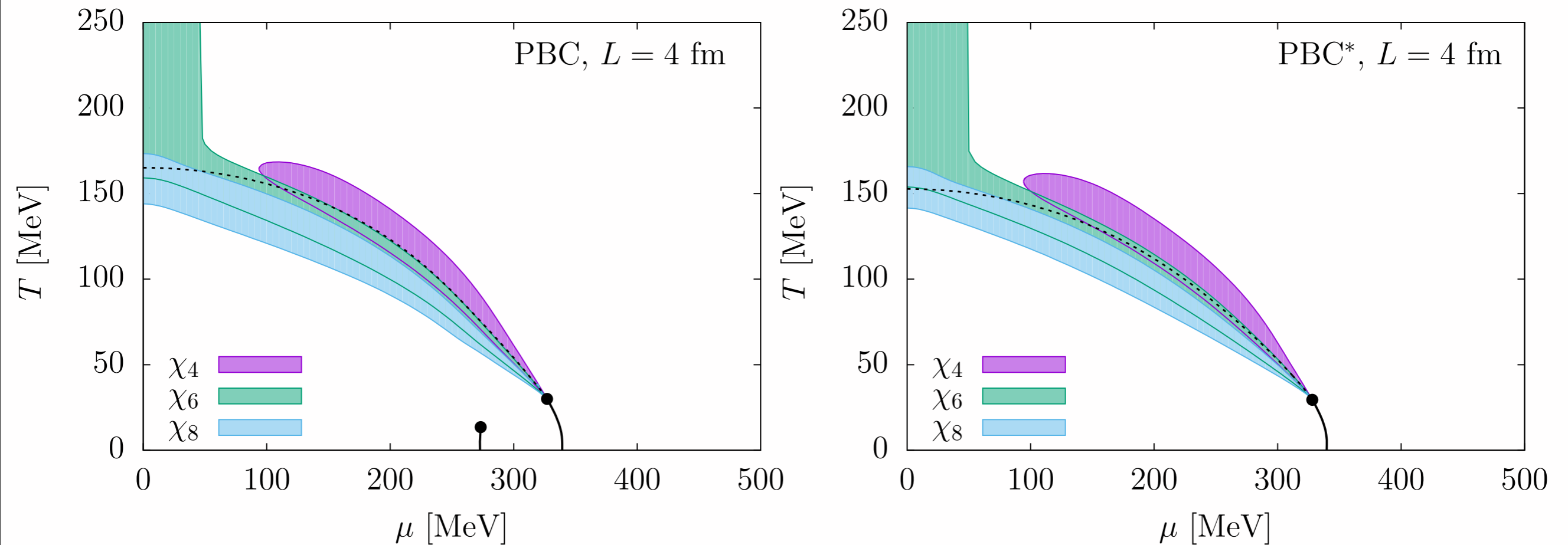
T_c shrinks at $\mu = 0$ for decreasing volumes

CEP vanishes for small volumes

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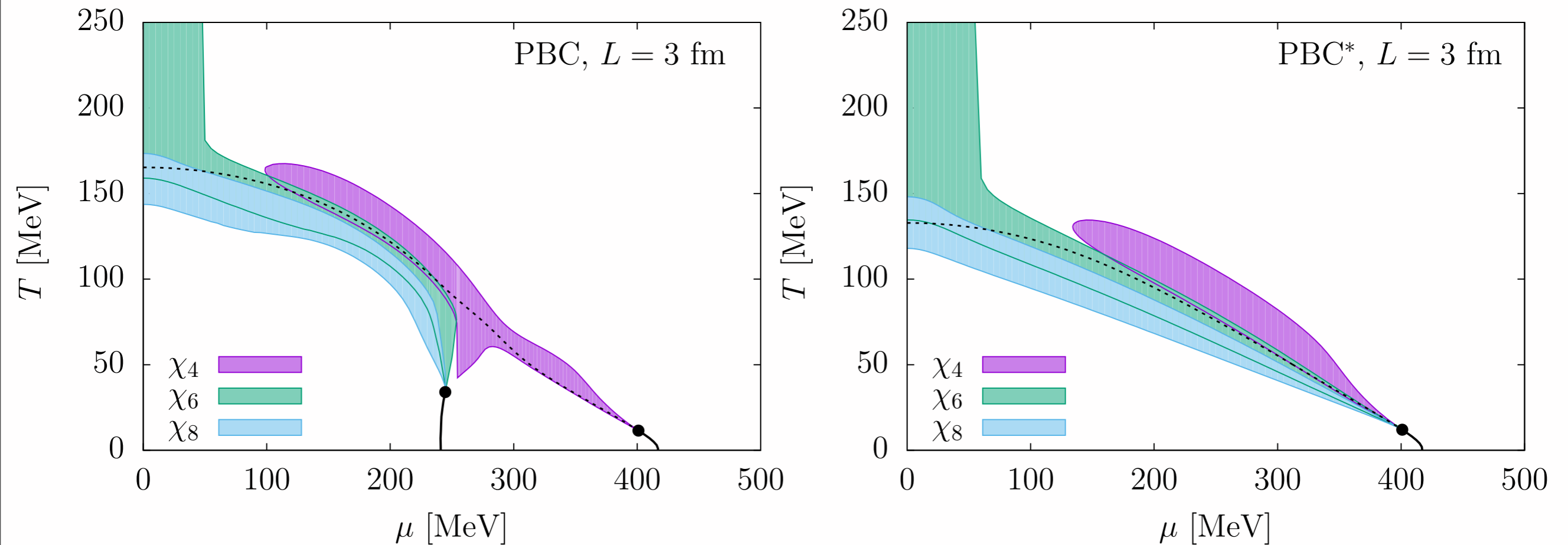
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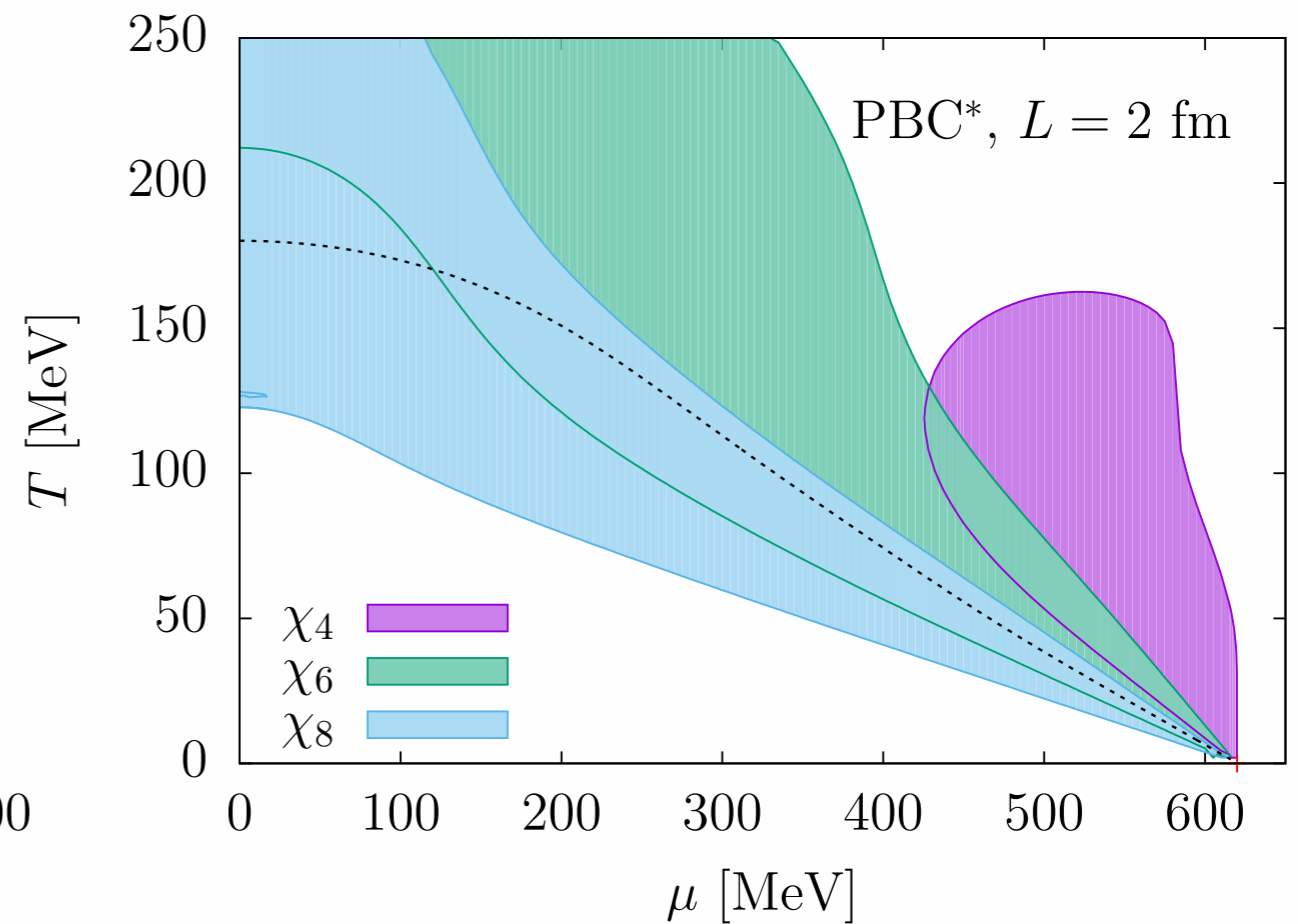
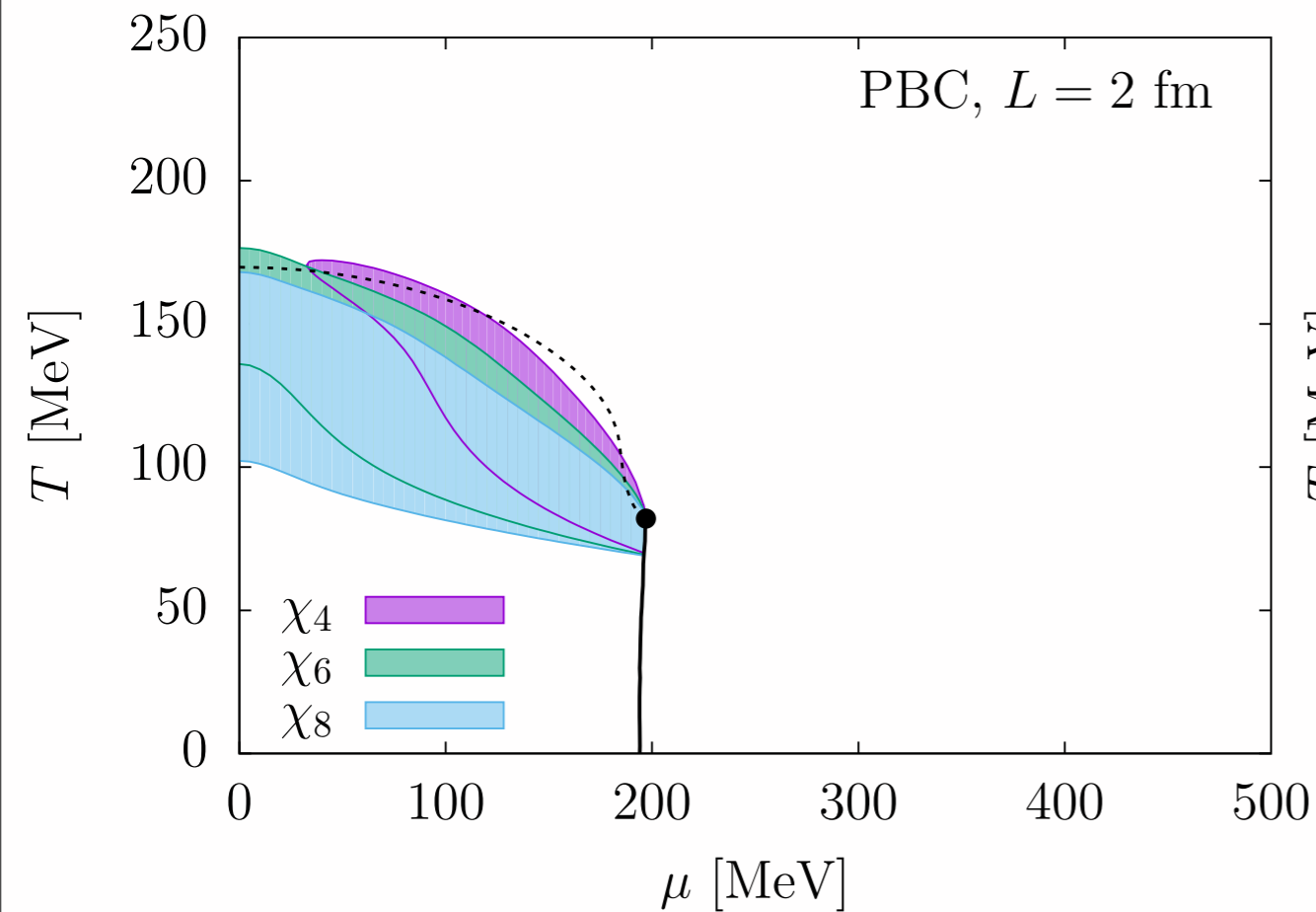
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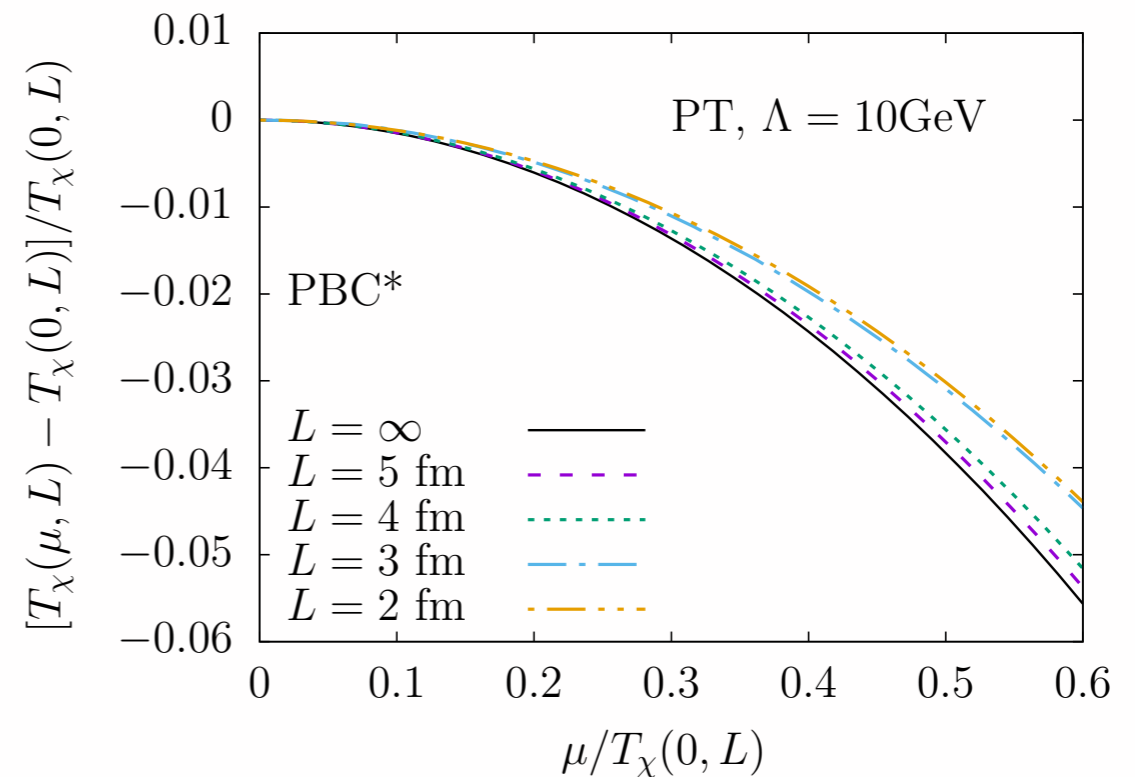
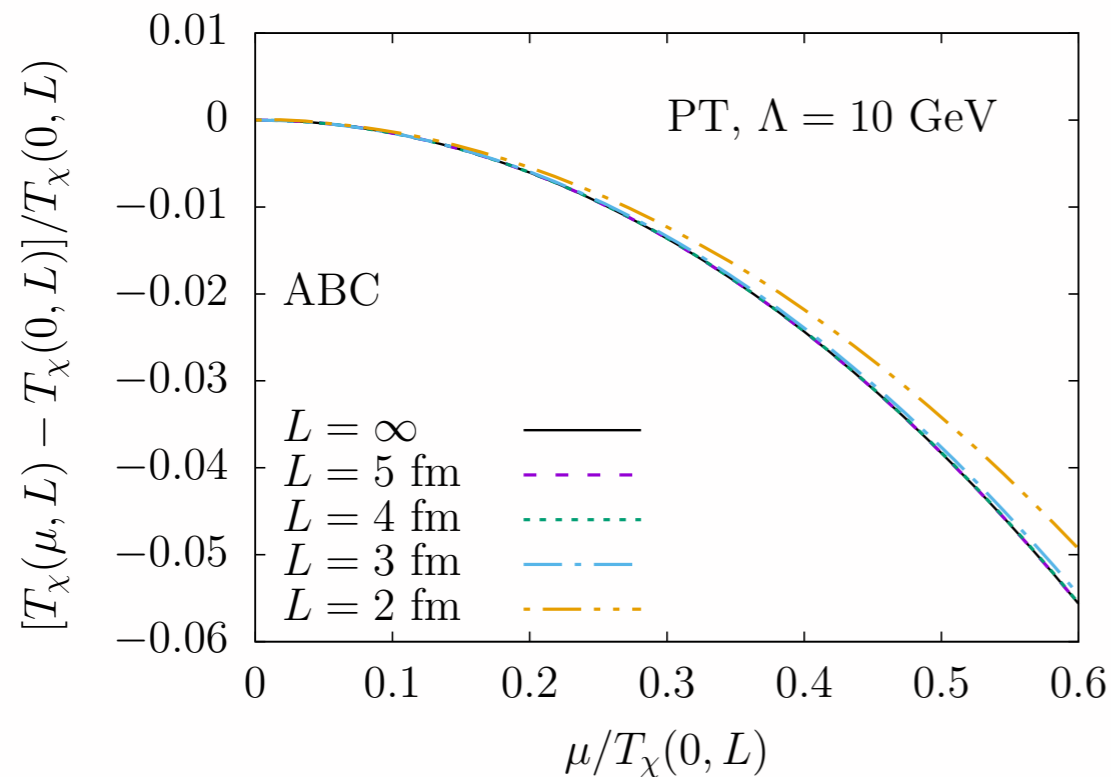
Crossover curvature $\kappa(L)$

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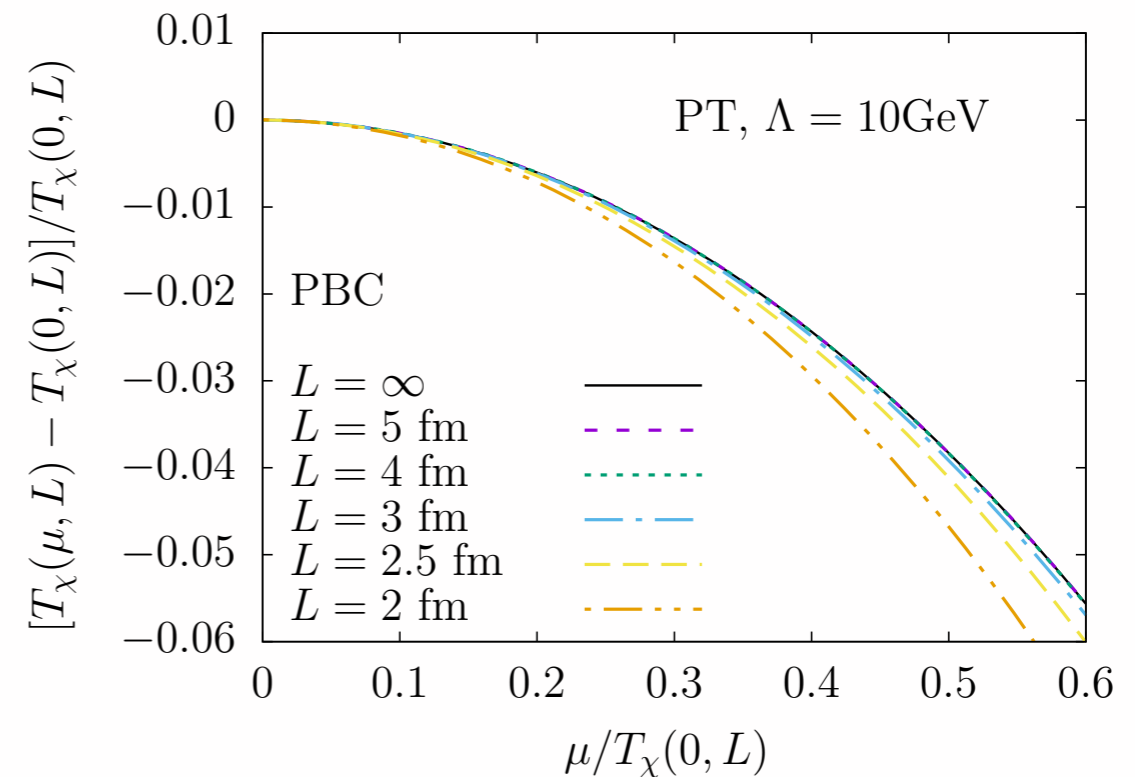
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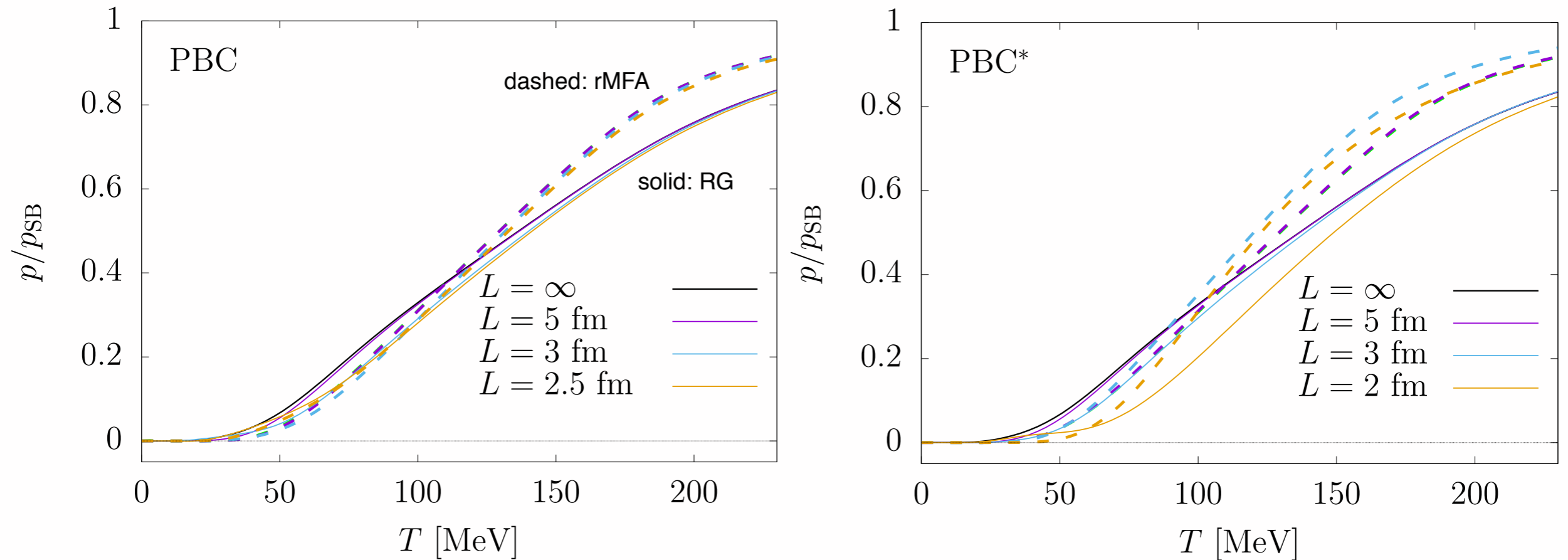
but for PBC: curvature $\kappa(L)$ first decreases $L > L_c$ and then increases for $L < L_c$



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Pressure: RG vs. rMFA

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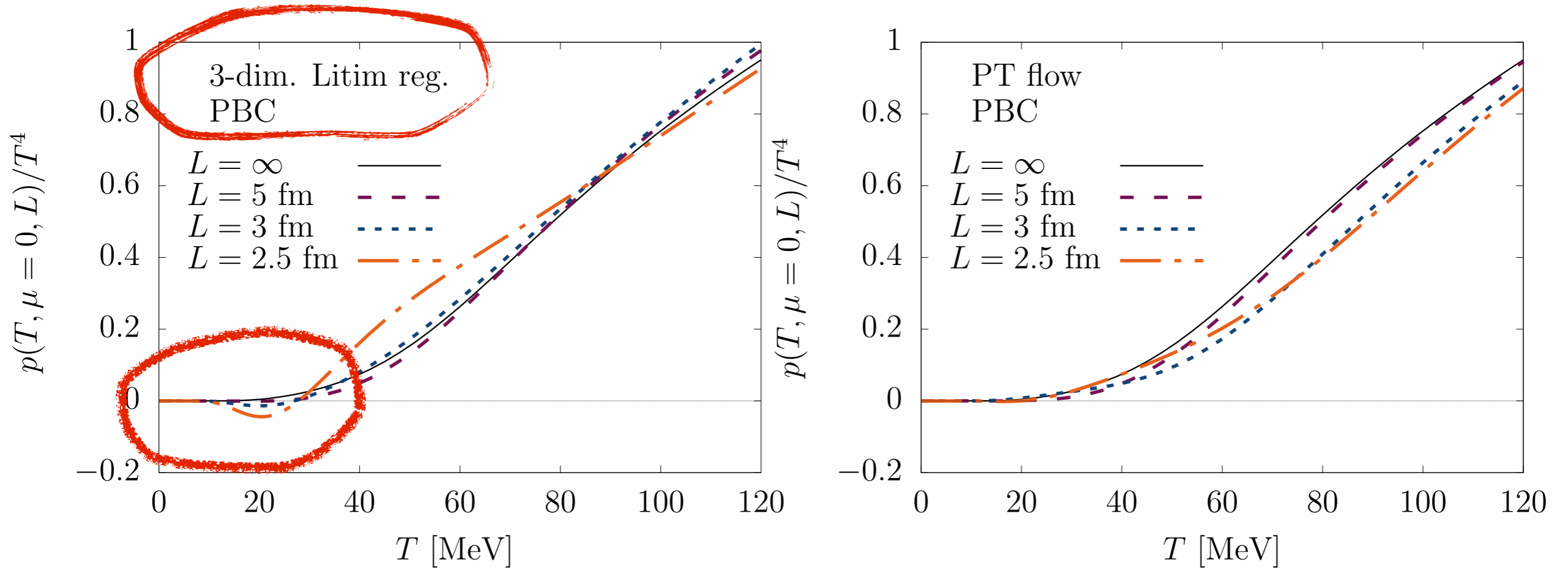
rMFA: pressure grows faster to Stefan-Boltzmann limit

PBC (with zero-mode): size dependence smaller

PBC* (without zero-mode): pressure decreases with smaller volumes

Pressure: scheme dependence

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infinite volume: pressure regulator independent

3dim Litim regulator: negative pressure (avoided if zero-modes excluded)

smearred regulator: pressure always positive

[Fister, Pawłowski 2015]

Summary & Conclusions

- **effects of quantum and thermal fluctuations in a box**
comparison: sMFA, rMFA, RG
→ **fluctuations wash out the phase transition**
- **existence of critical points in phase diagram in finite volume**
- **crossover curvature changes in a box**