





Lattice QCD with an inhomogeneous magnetic field background

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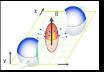


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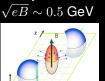


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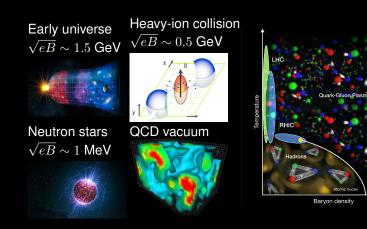
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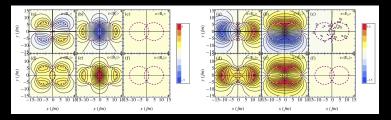


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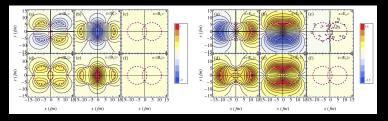


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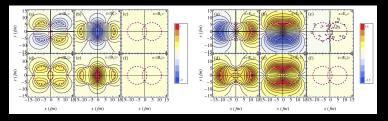


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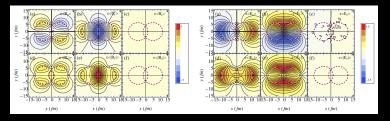


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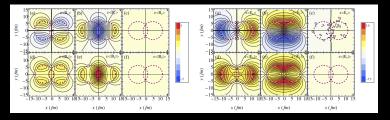


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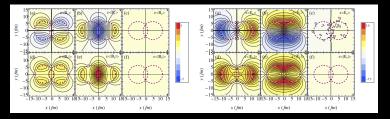


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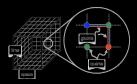
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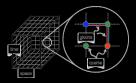
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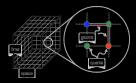
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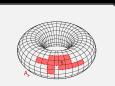
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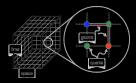
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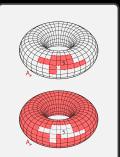
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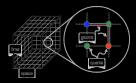
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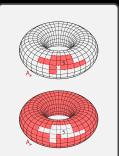
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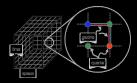
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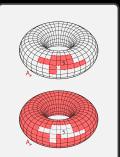
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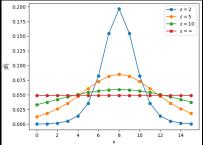
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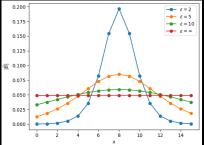
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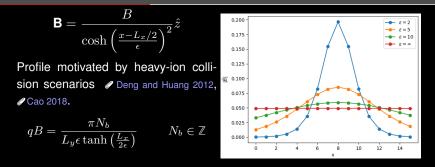


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Local electric currents (u, d and s quarks!)

$$\langle J_i(x) \rangle = e \left\langle \frac{2}{3} \bar{u} \gamma^i u - \frac{1}{3} \bar{d} \gamma^i d - \frac{1}{3} \bar{s} \gamma^i s \right\rangle$$

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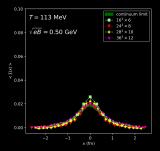
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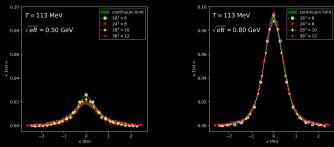
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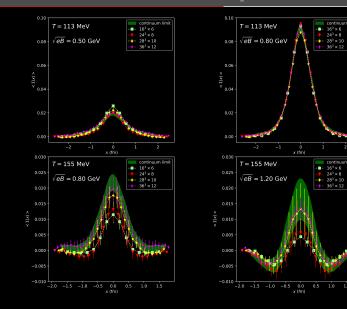


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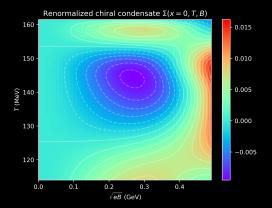


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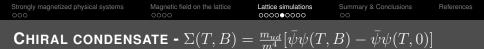
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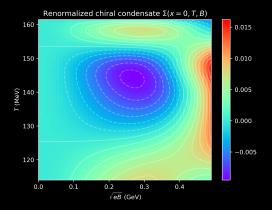
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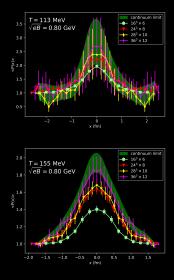
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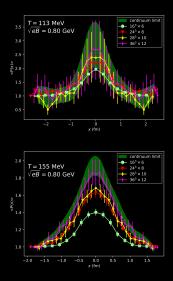
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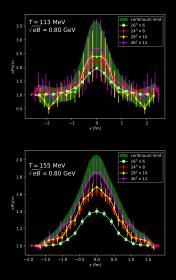
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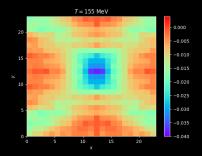
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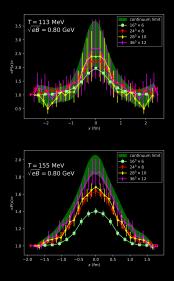
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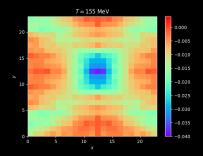
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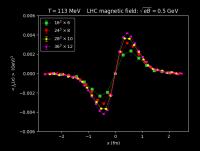
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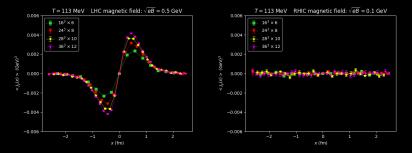


Figure 6: Lattice electric currents for LHC-like ($\sqrt{eB} = 0.5$ GeV) and RHIC-like ($\sqrt{eB} = 0.1$ GeV) magnetic fields, respectively.

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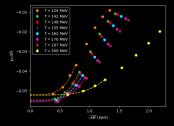
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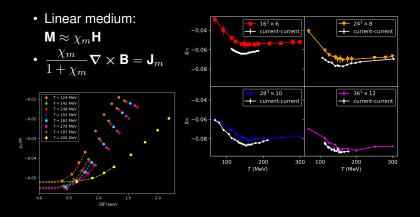
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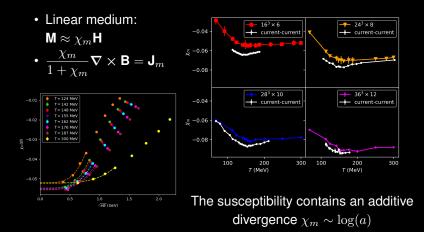
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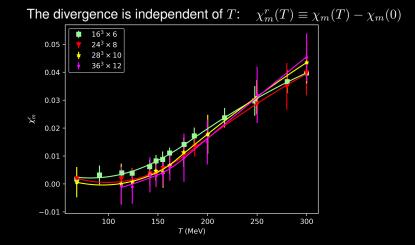
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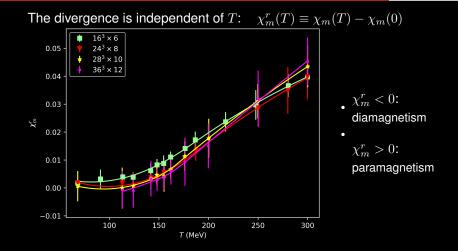
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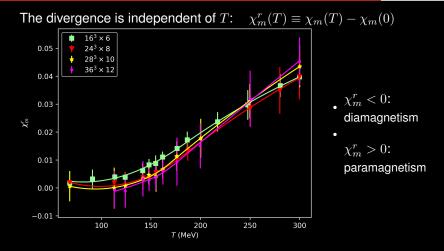
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