

Mapping a critical point on pion condensate line in isospin phase diagram from Lee-Yang zeros

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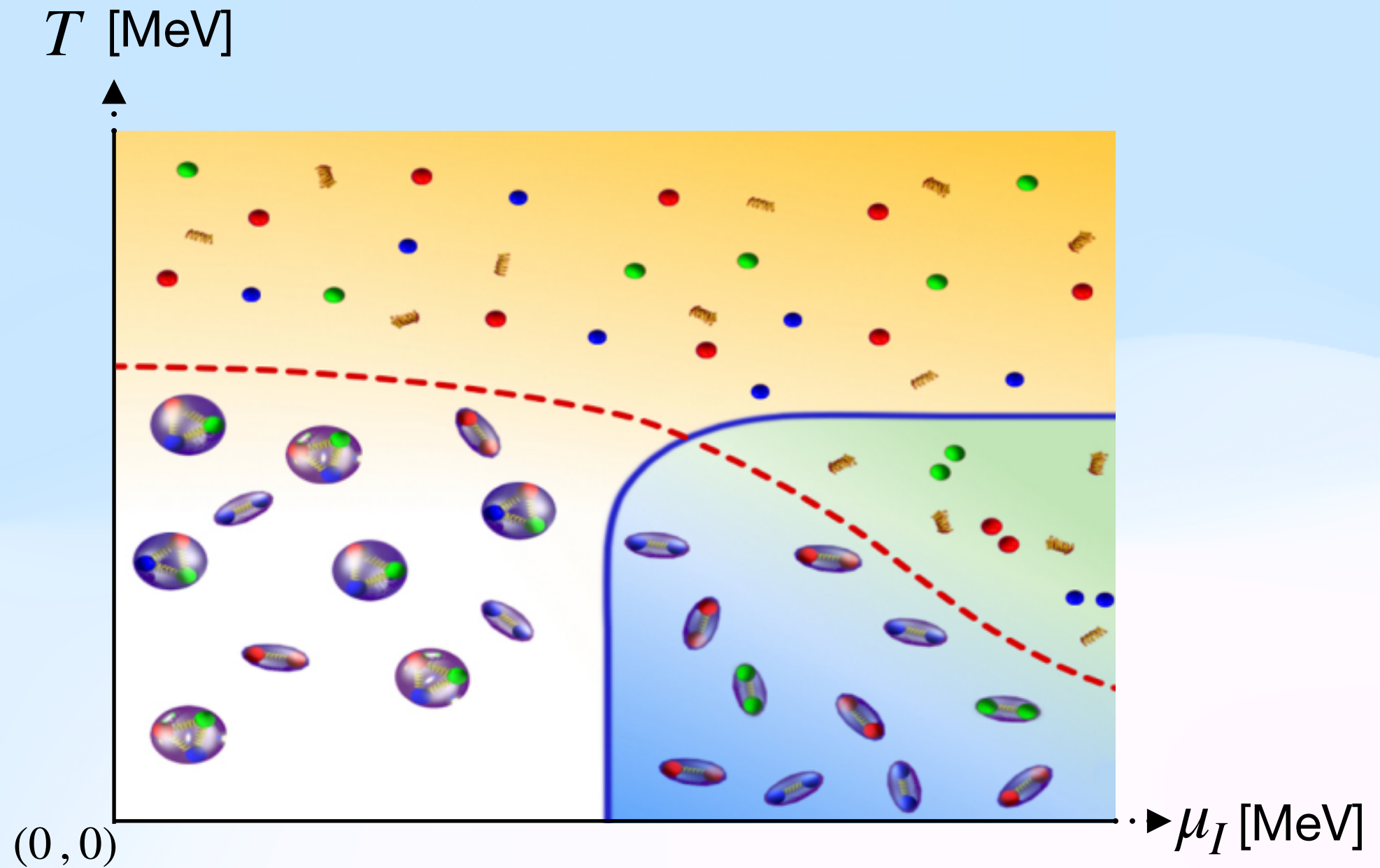
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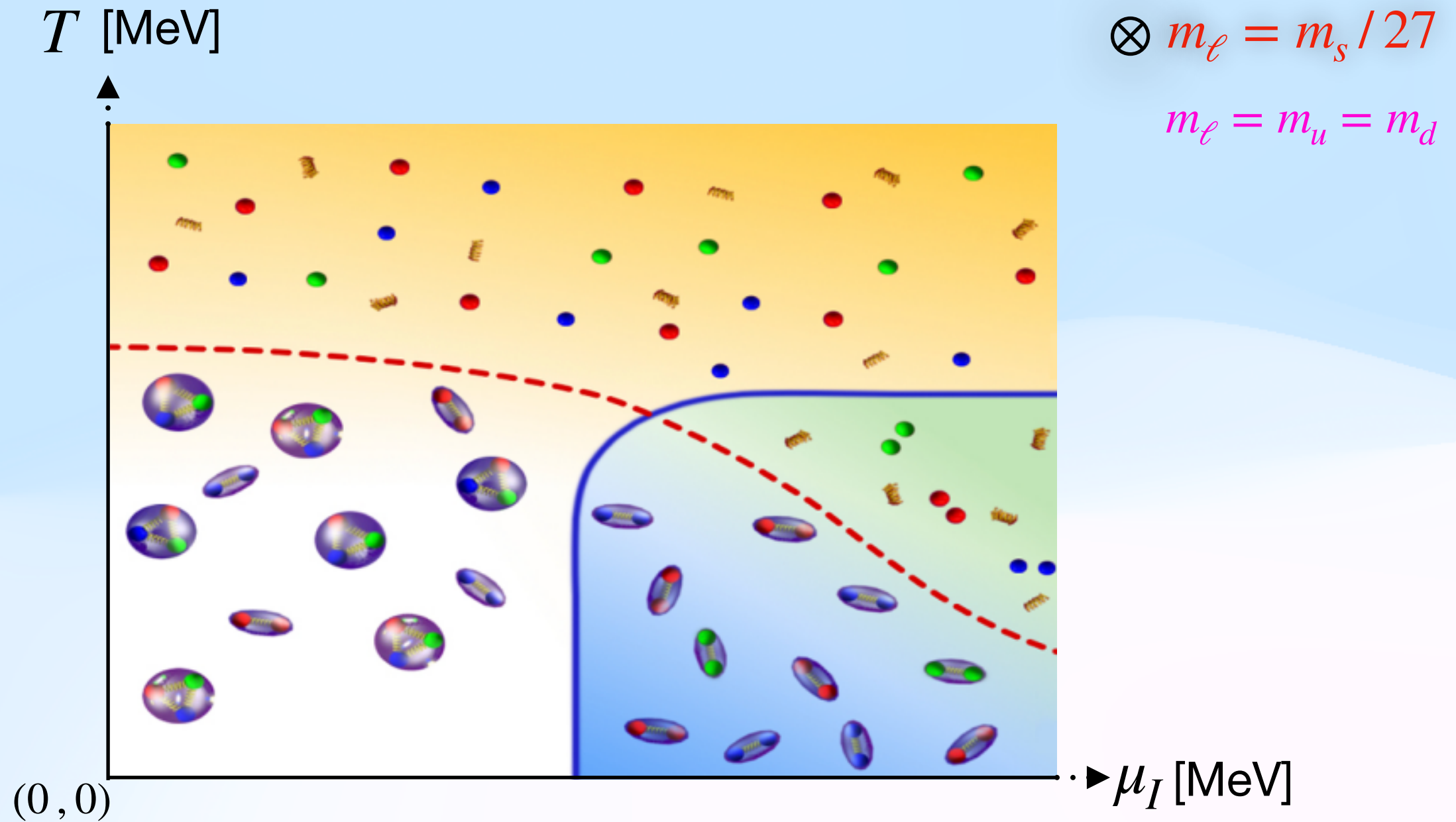
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- Conclusion and Outlook

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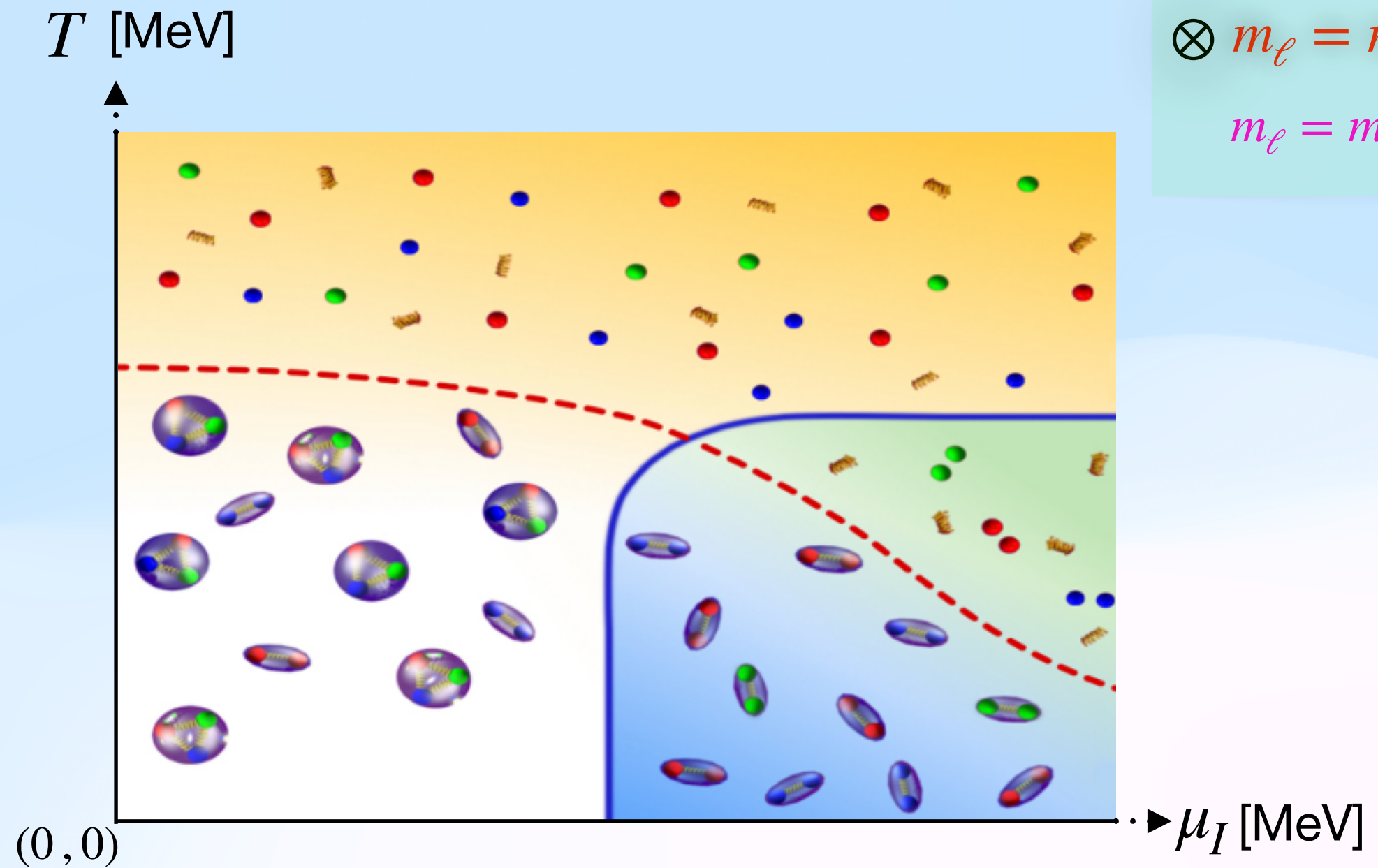


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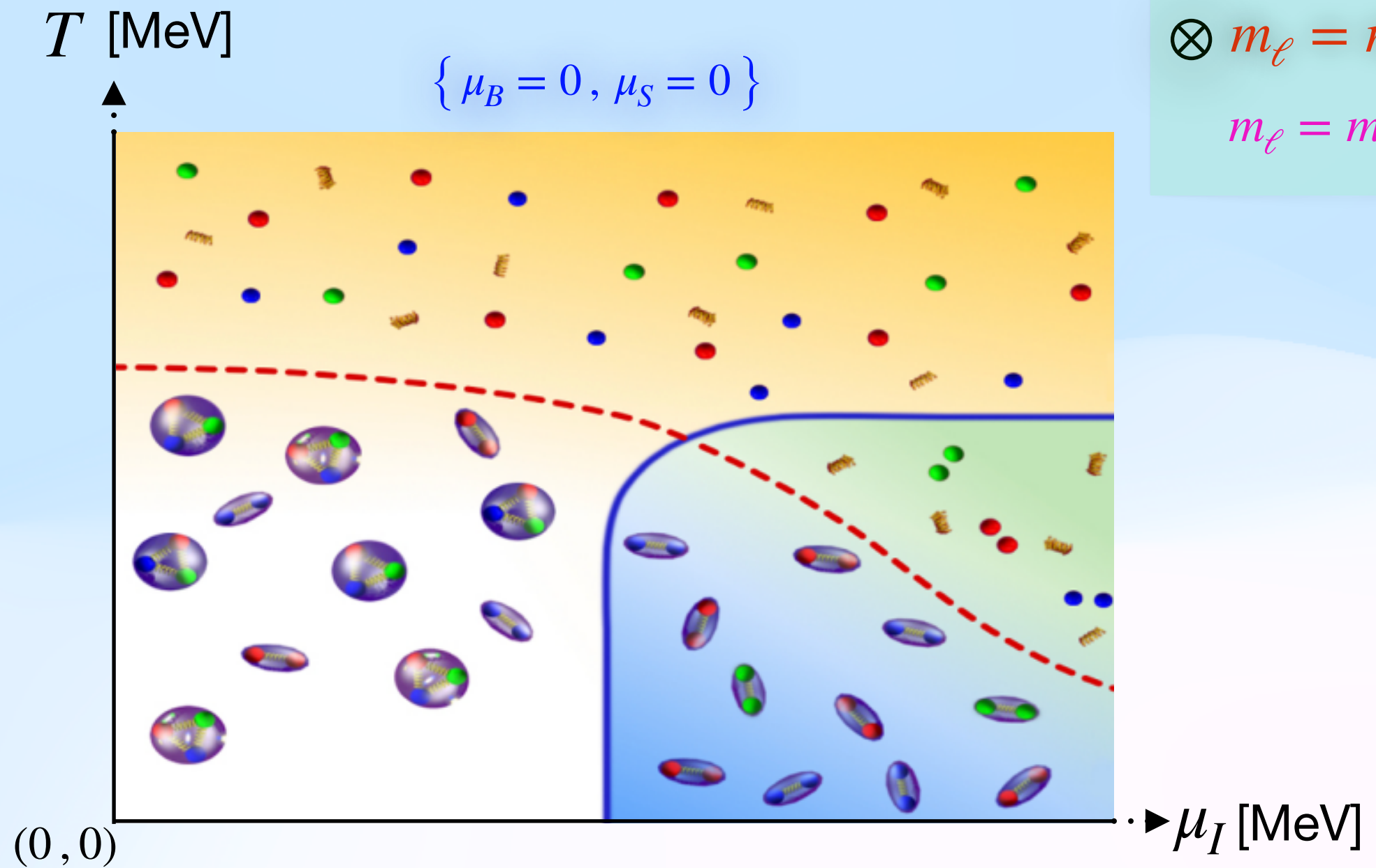
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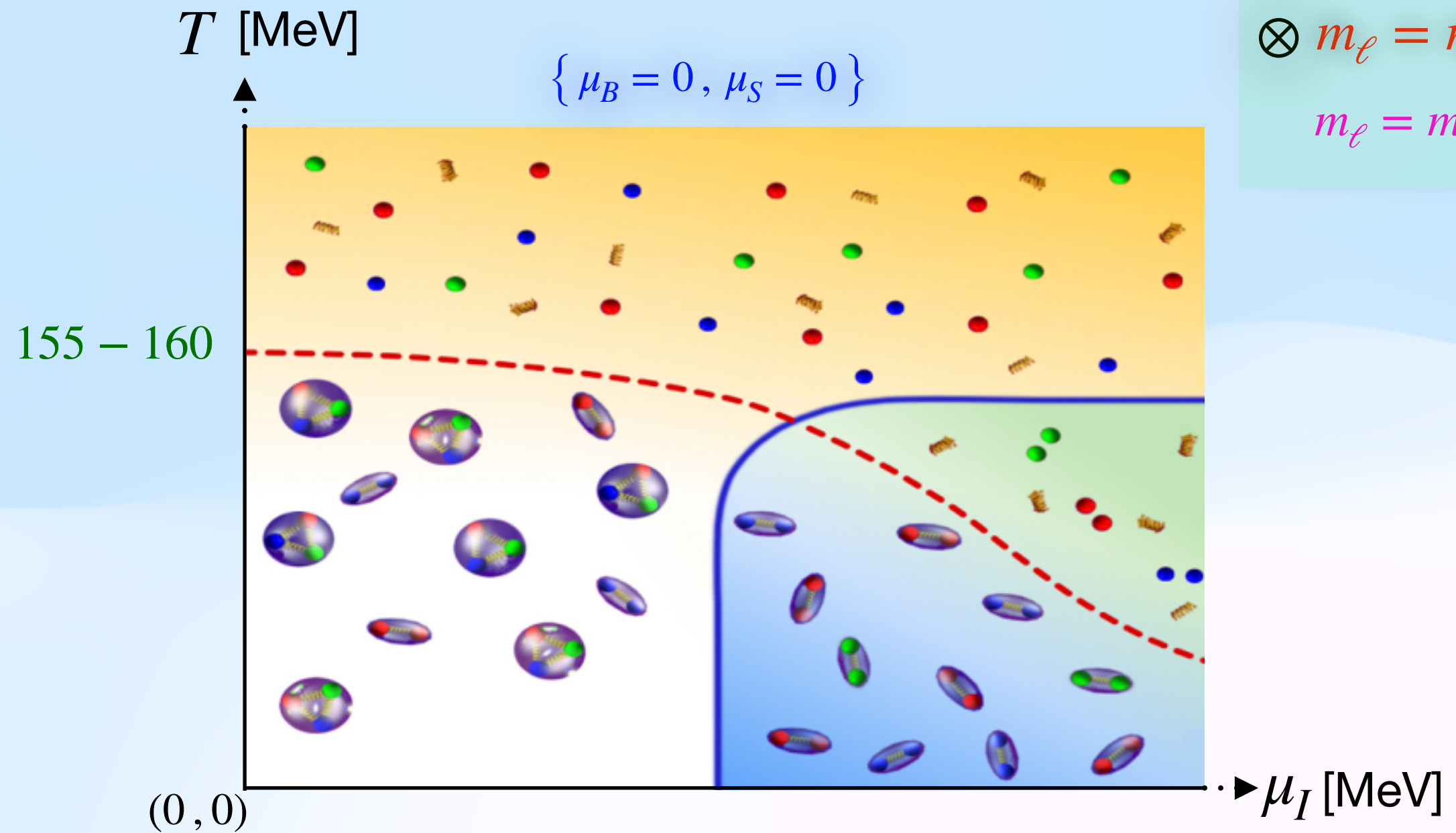
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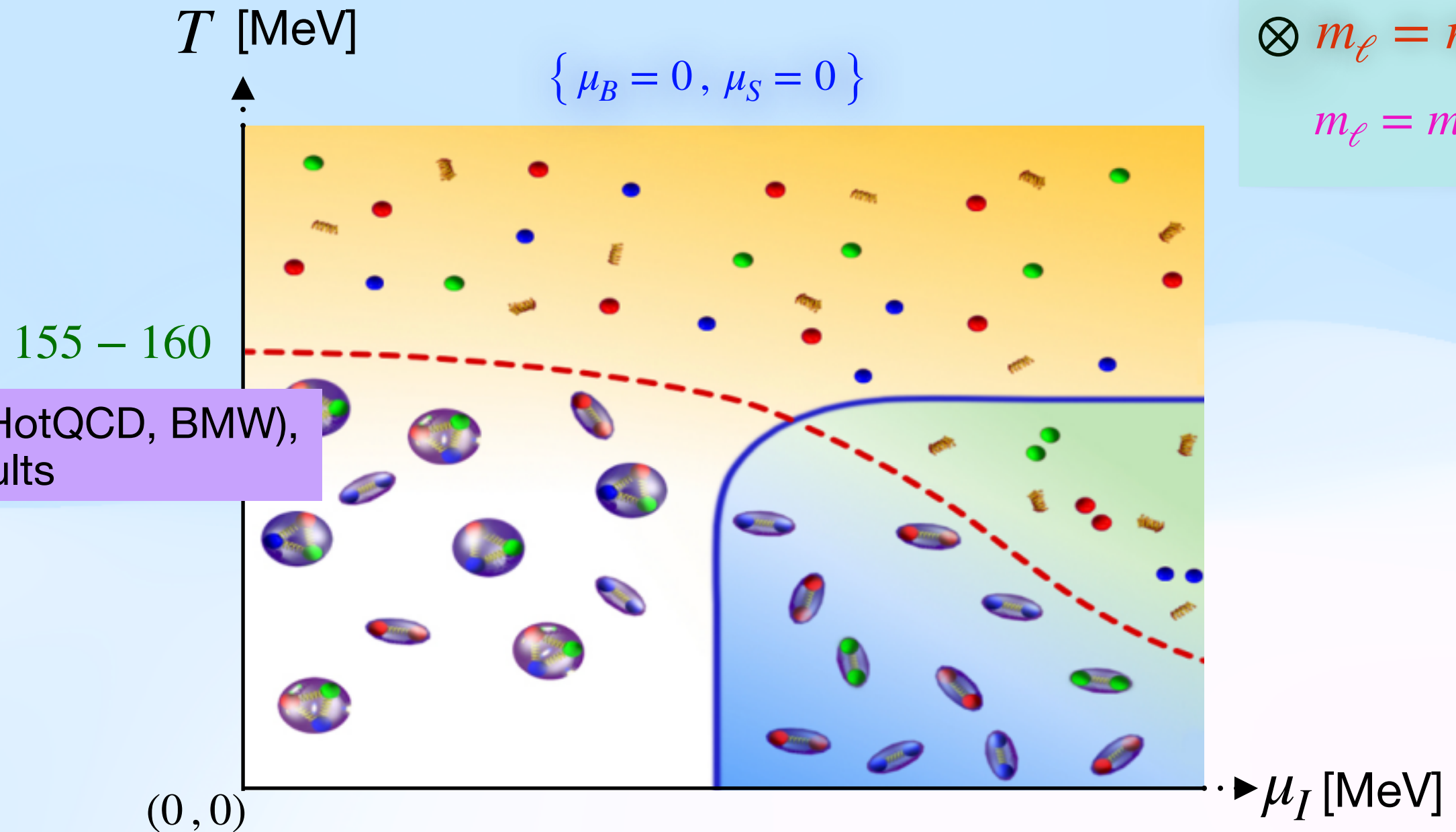
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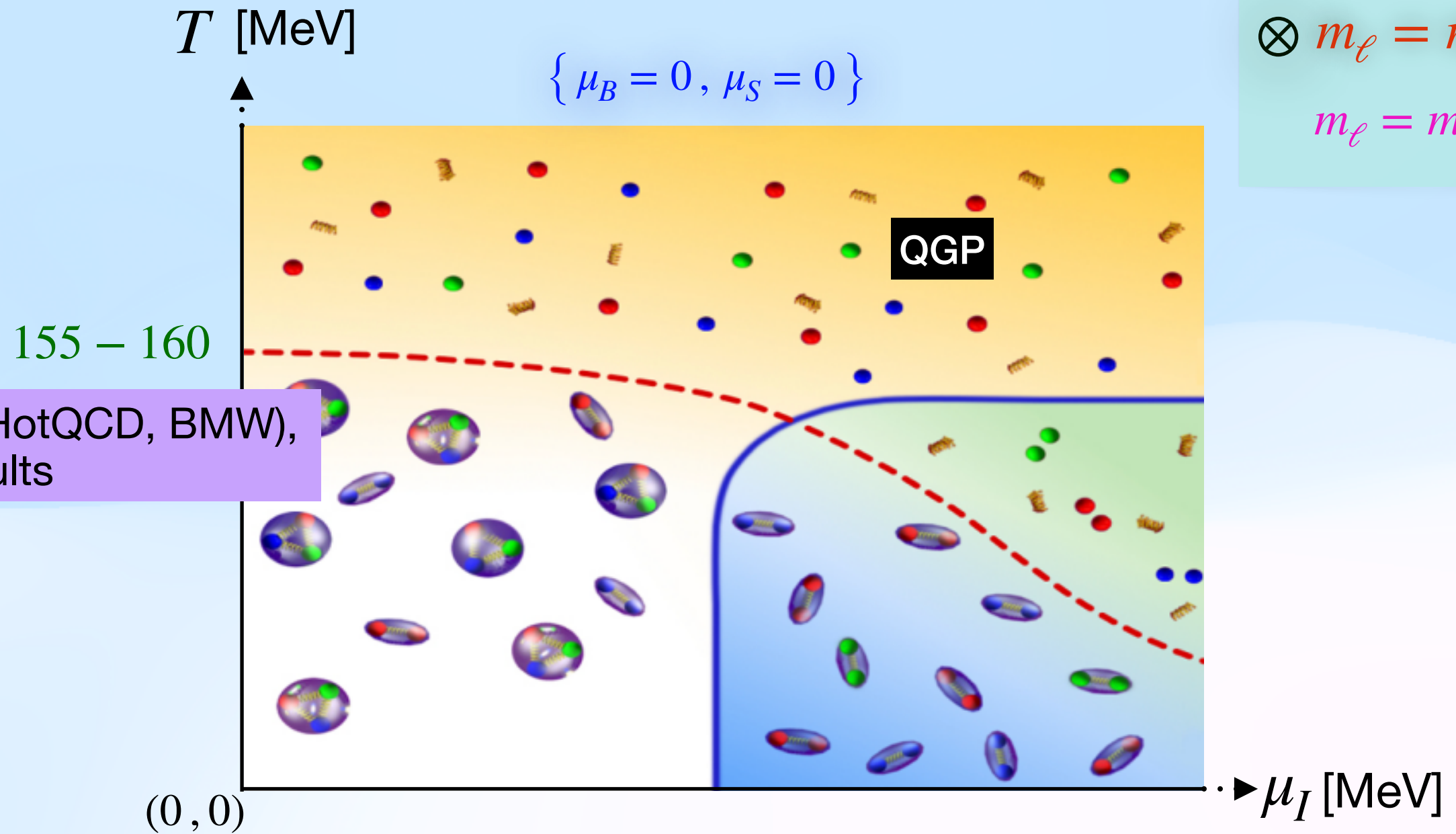
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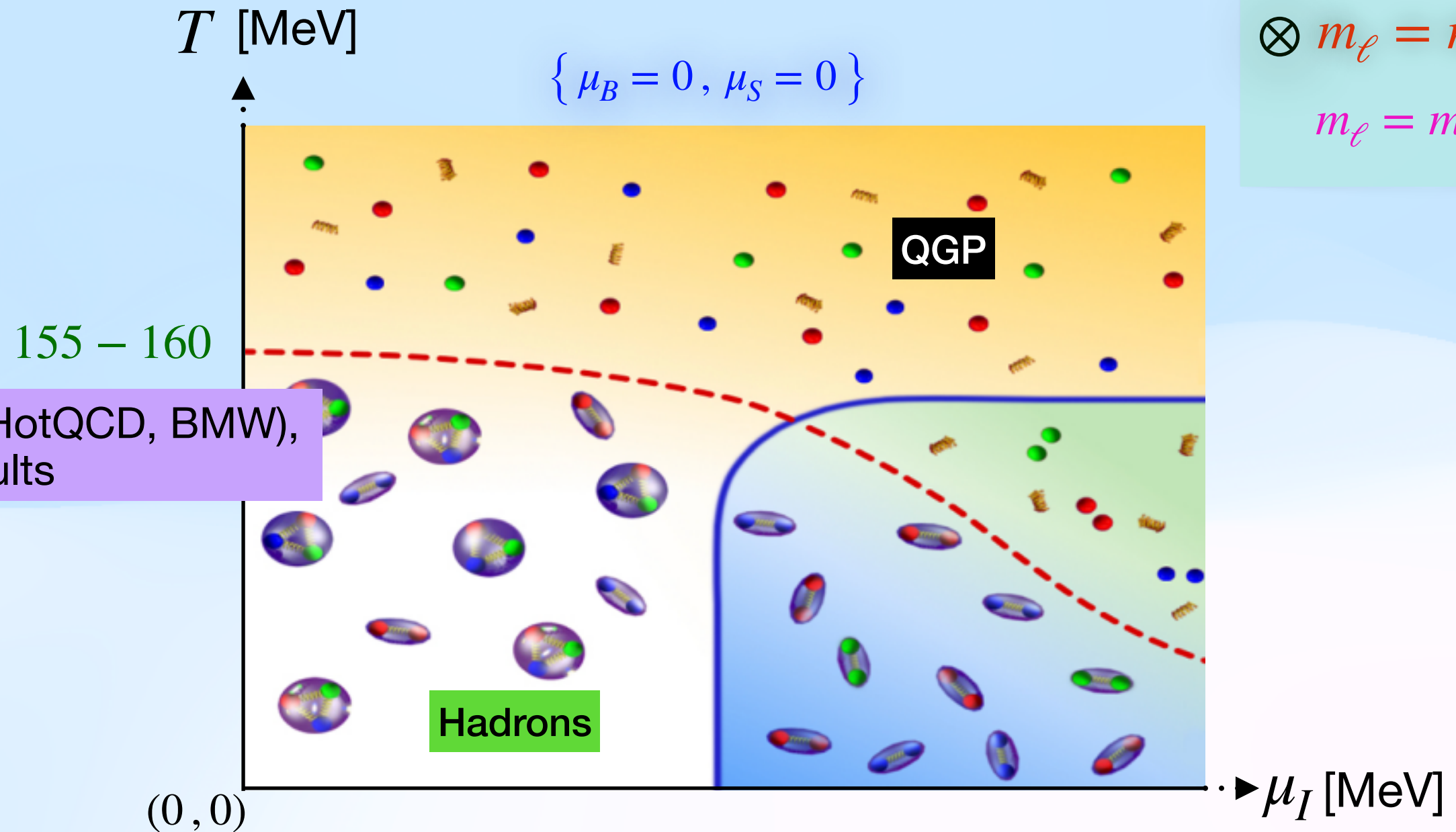


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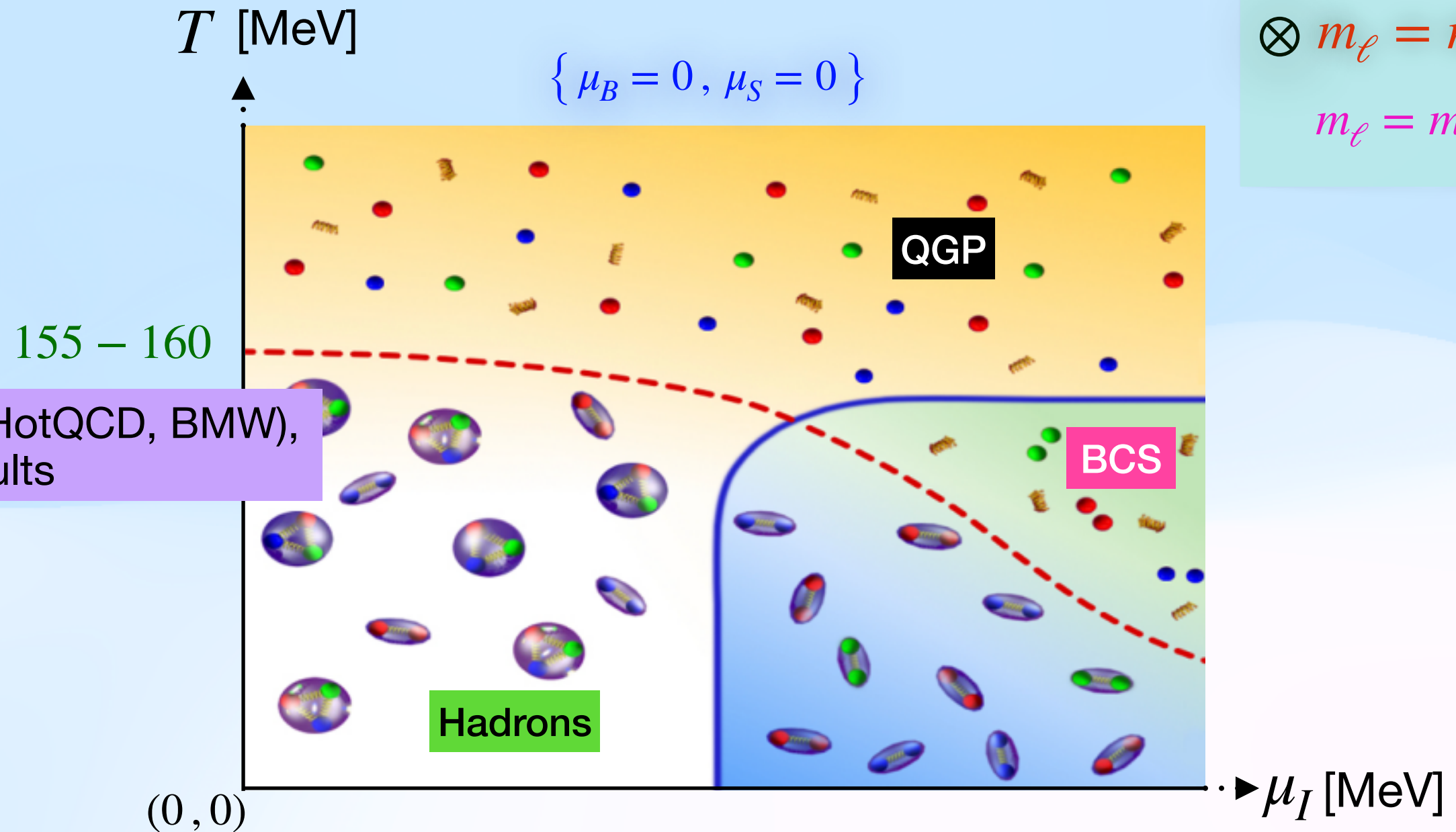
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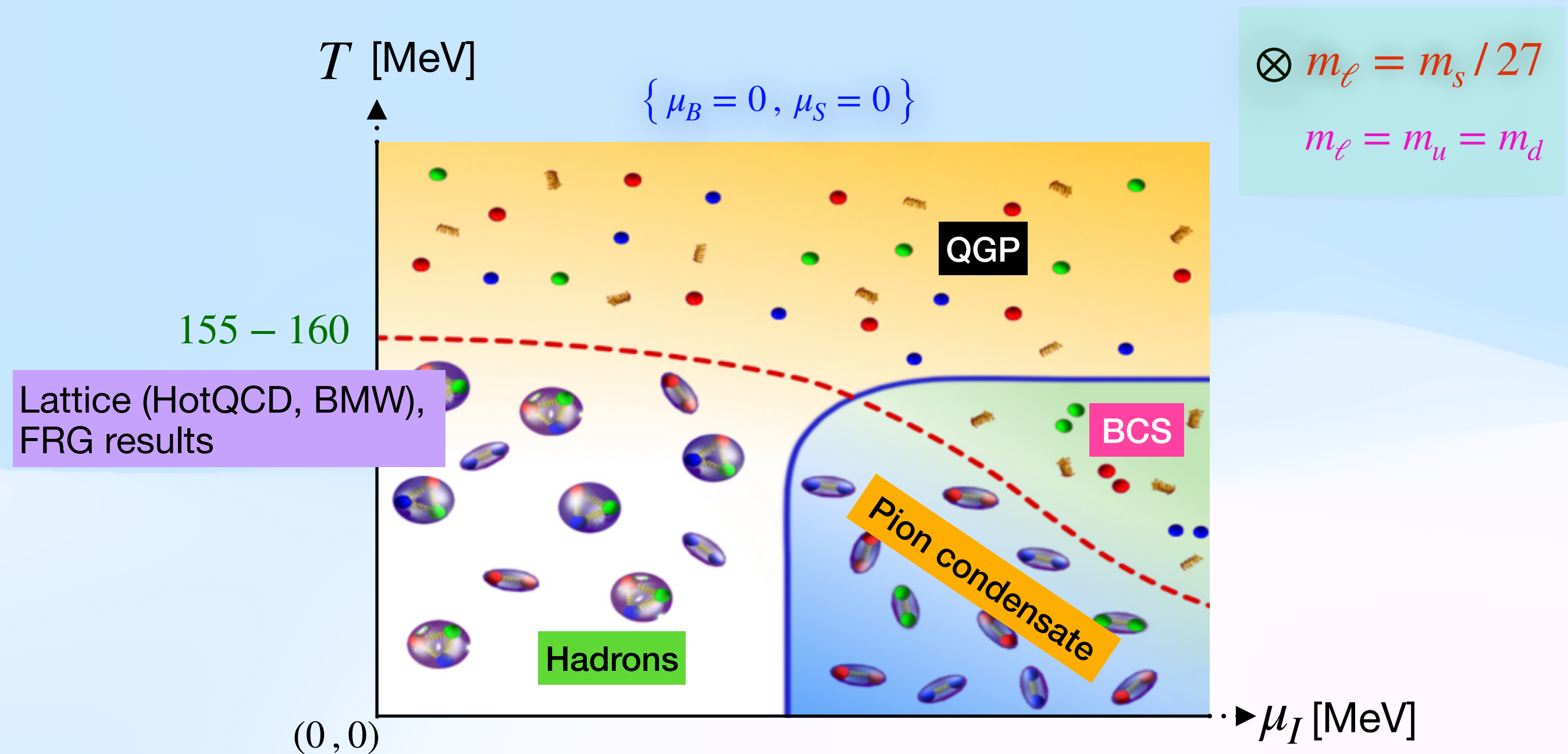


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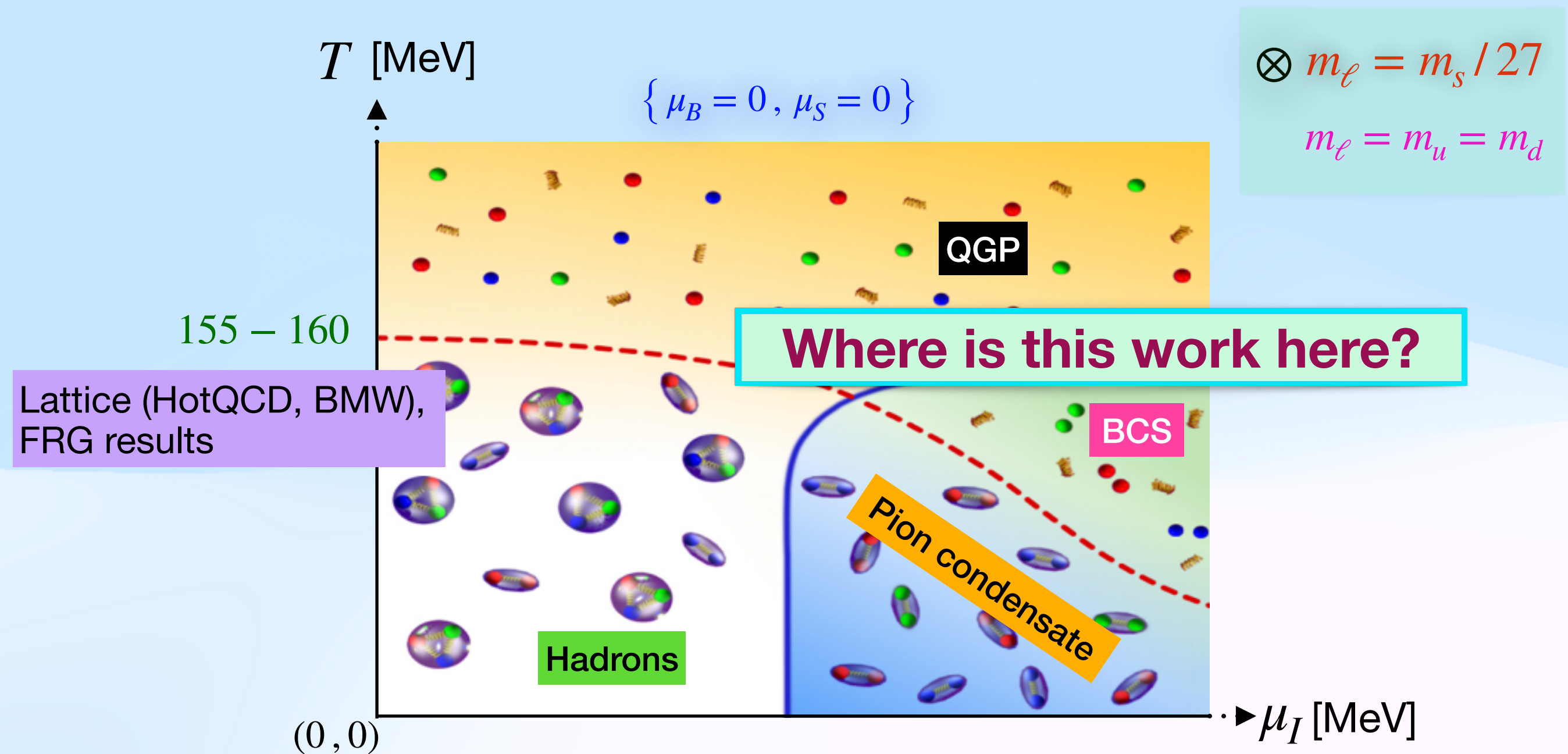
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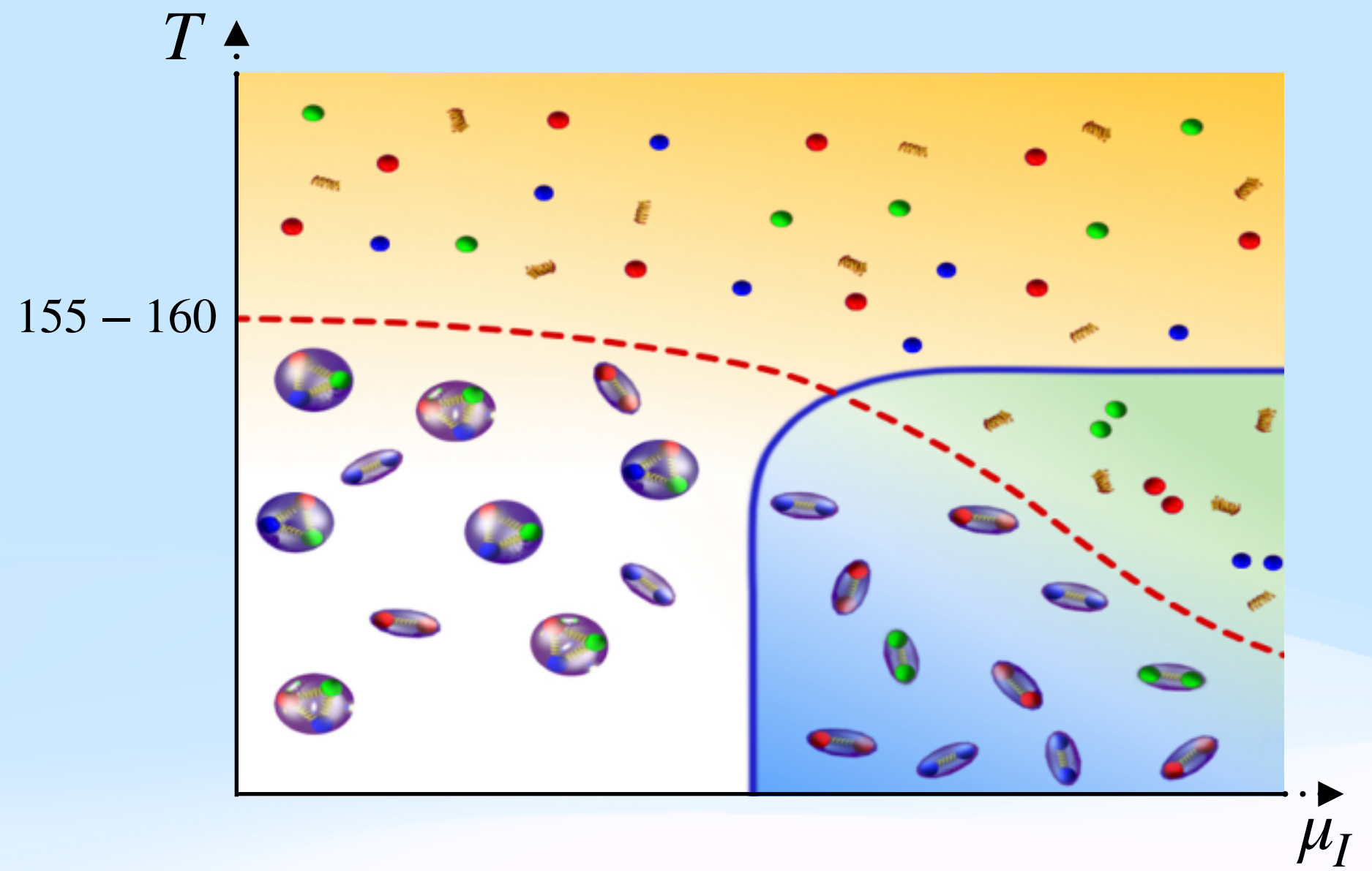


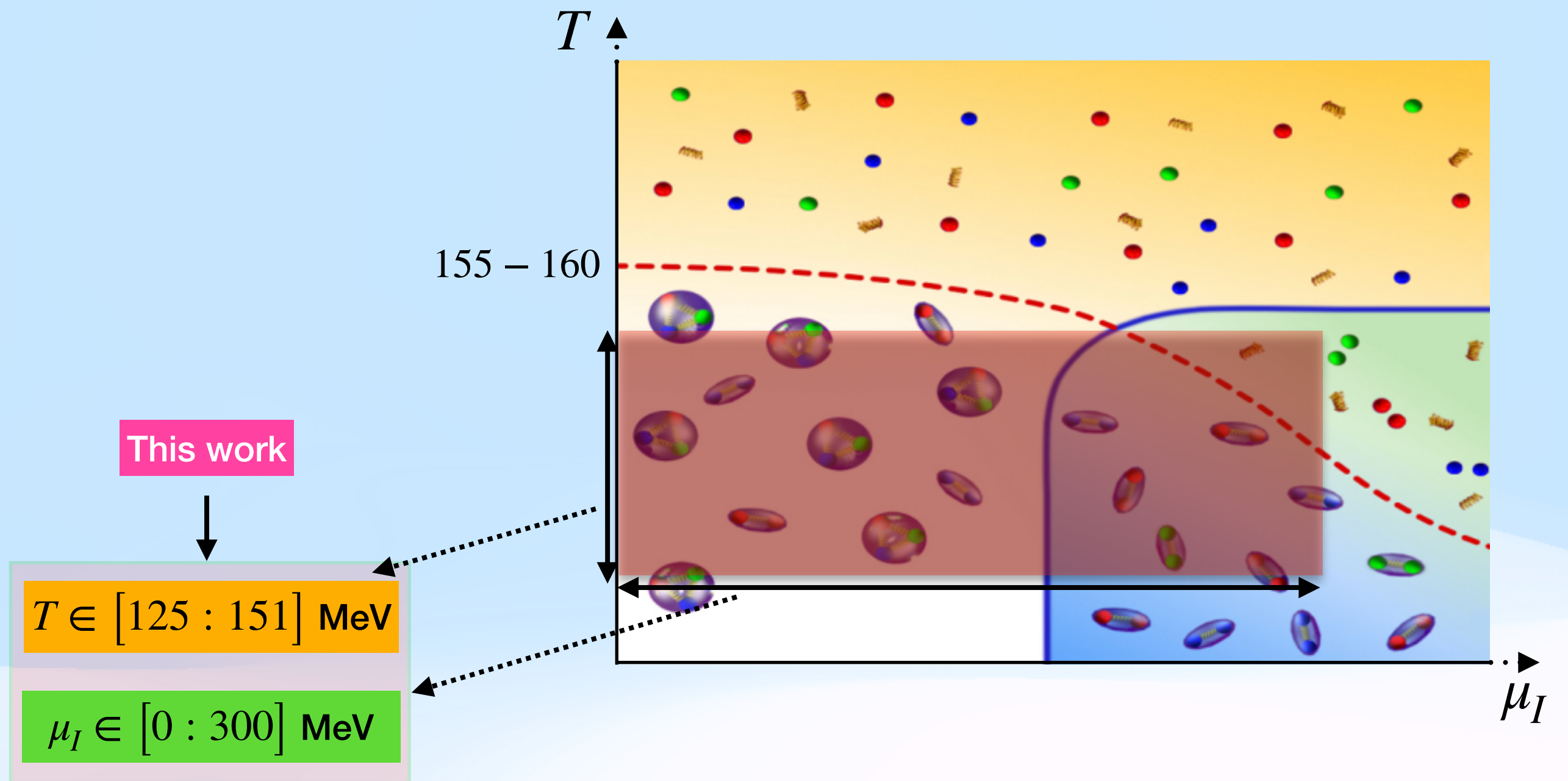
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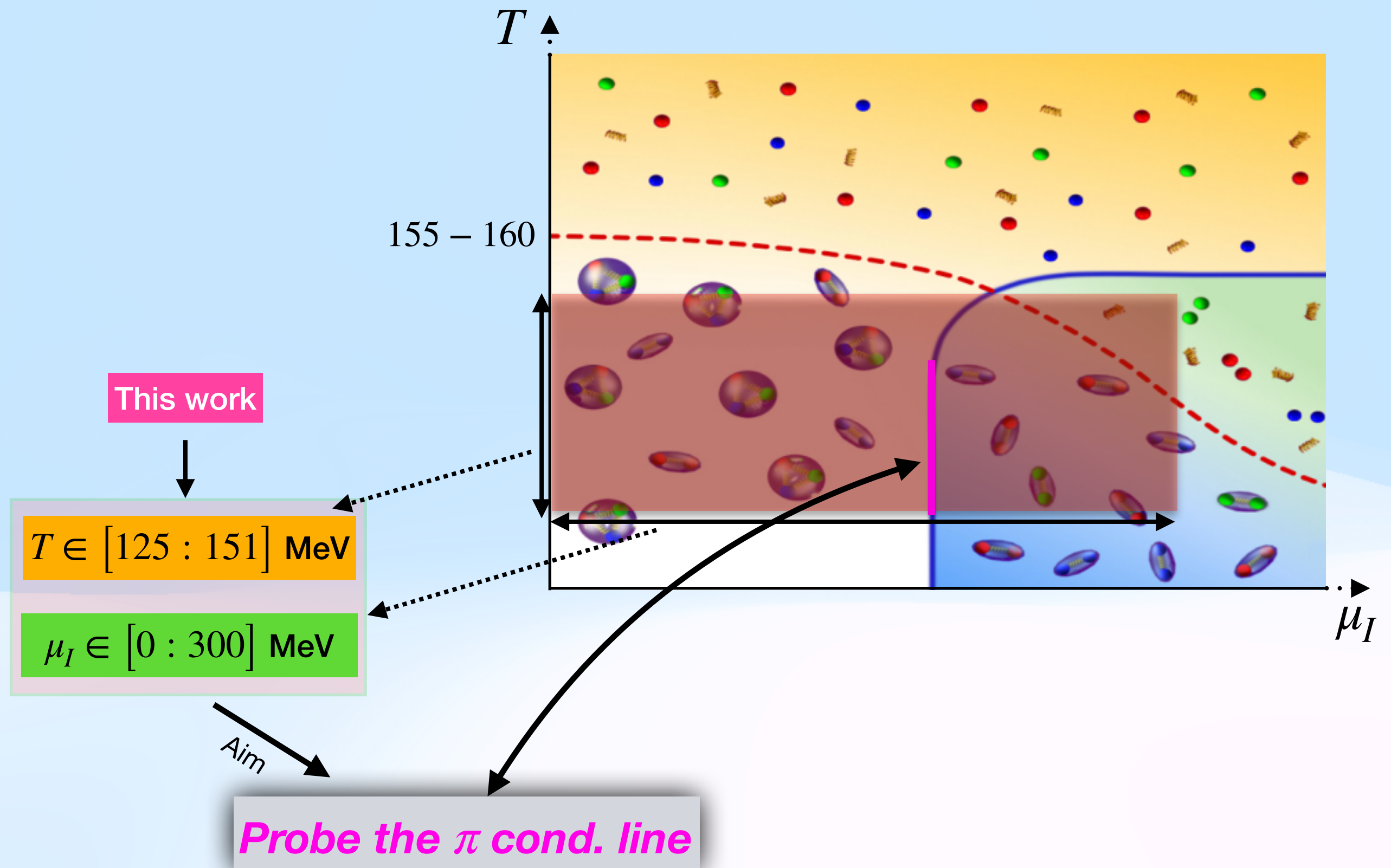
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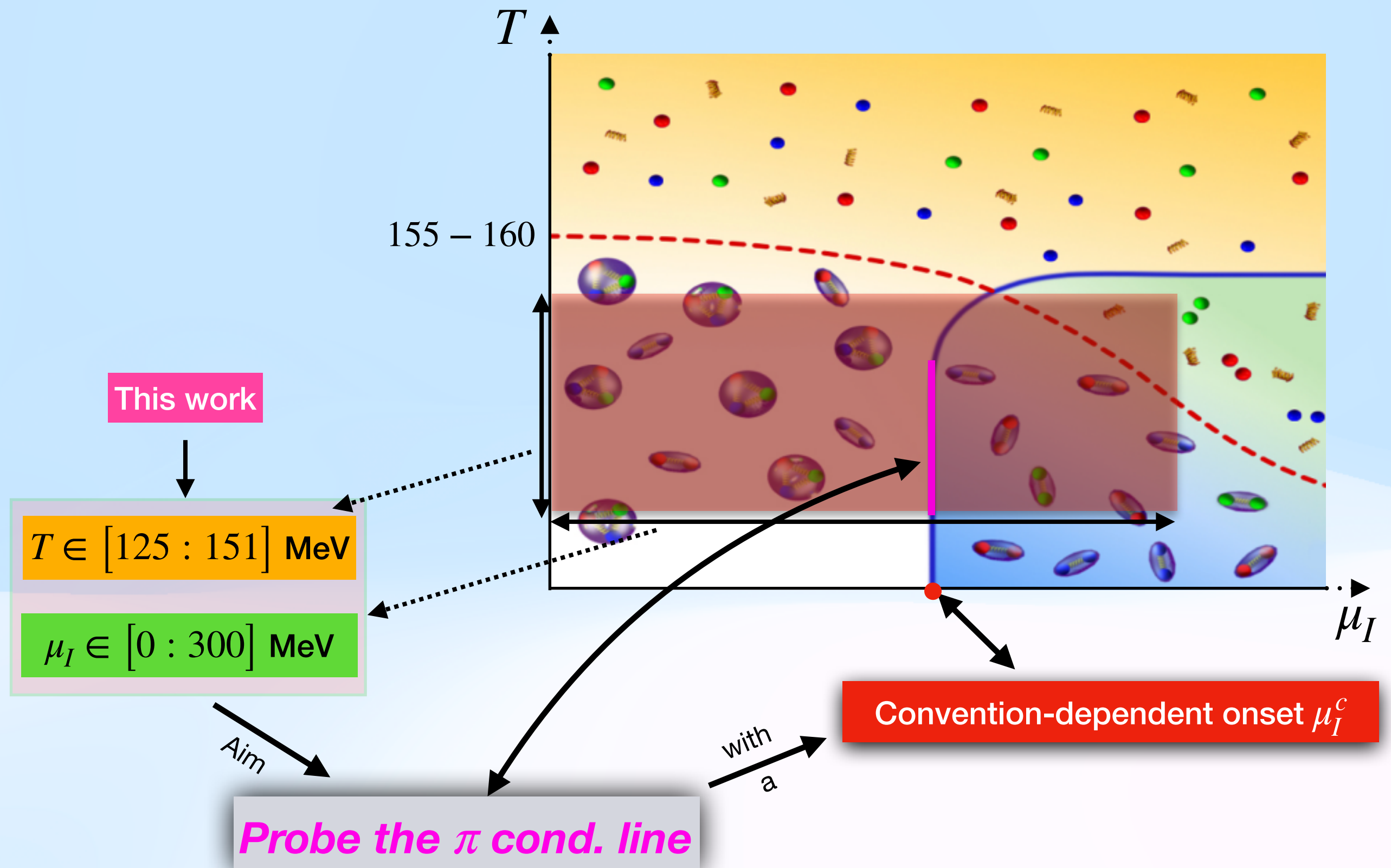


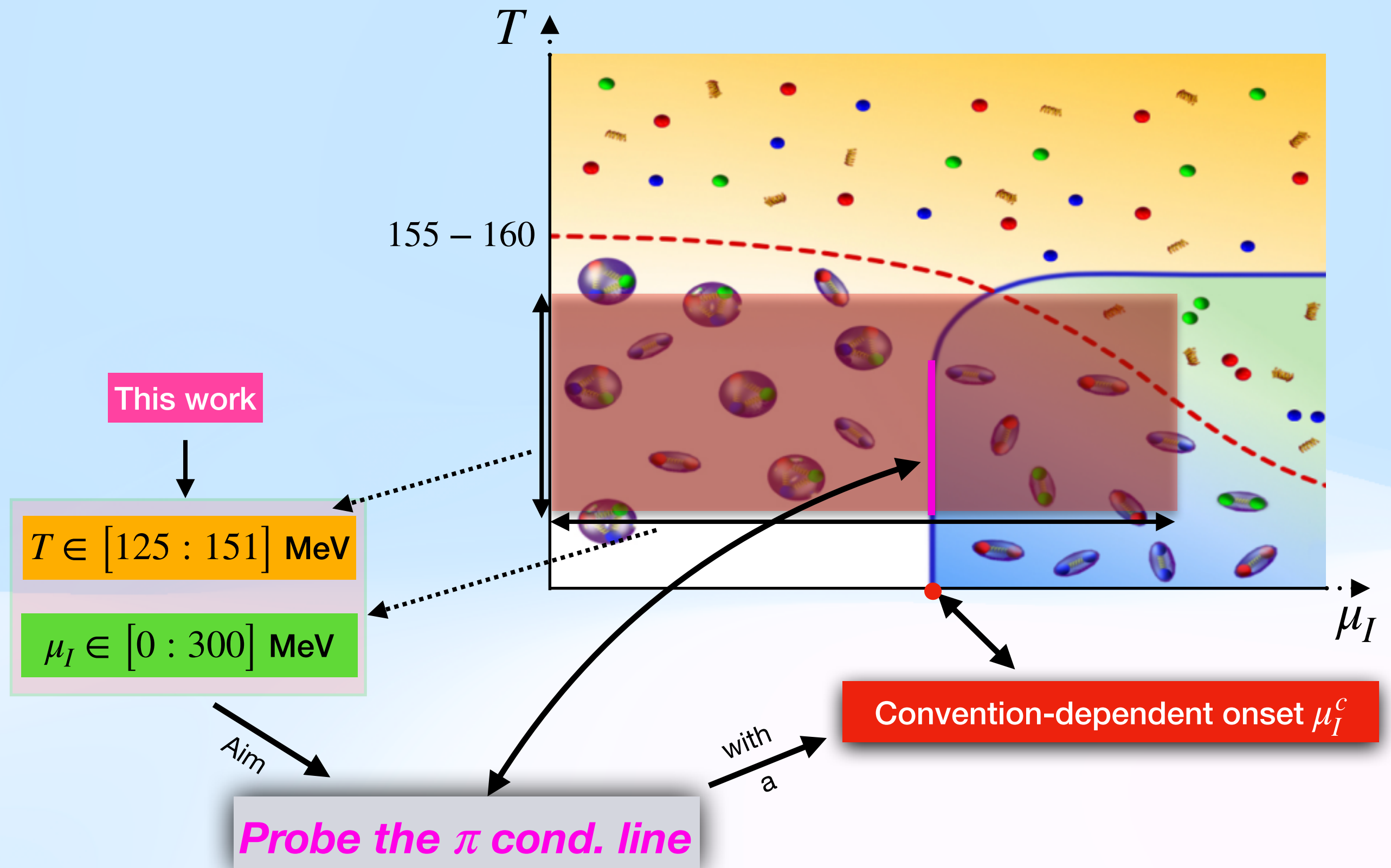
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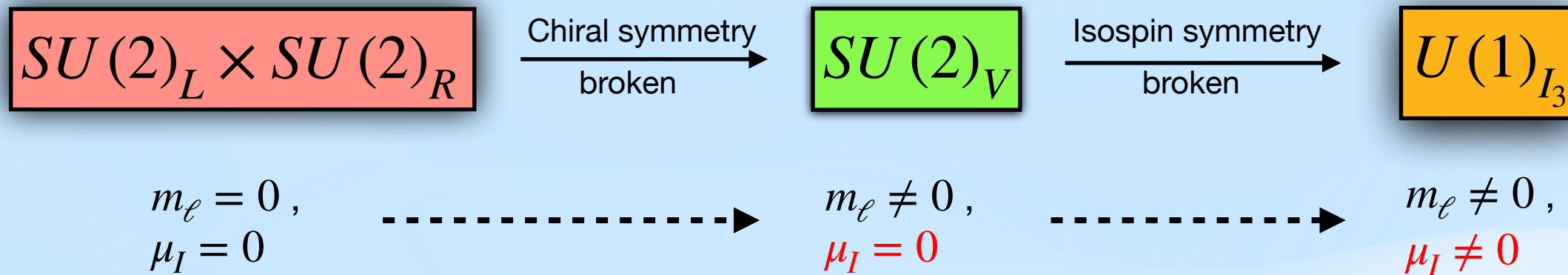
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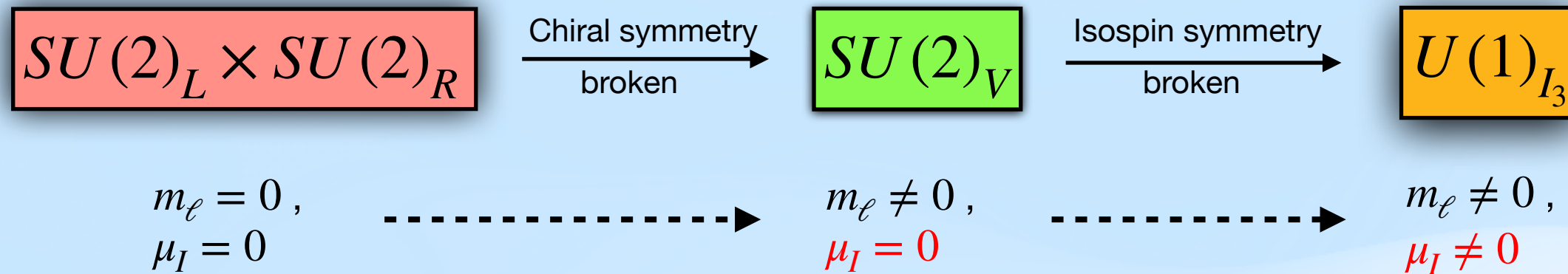


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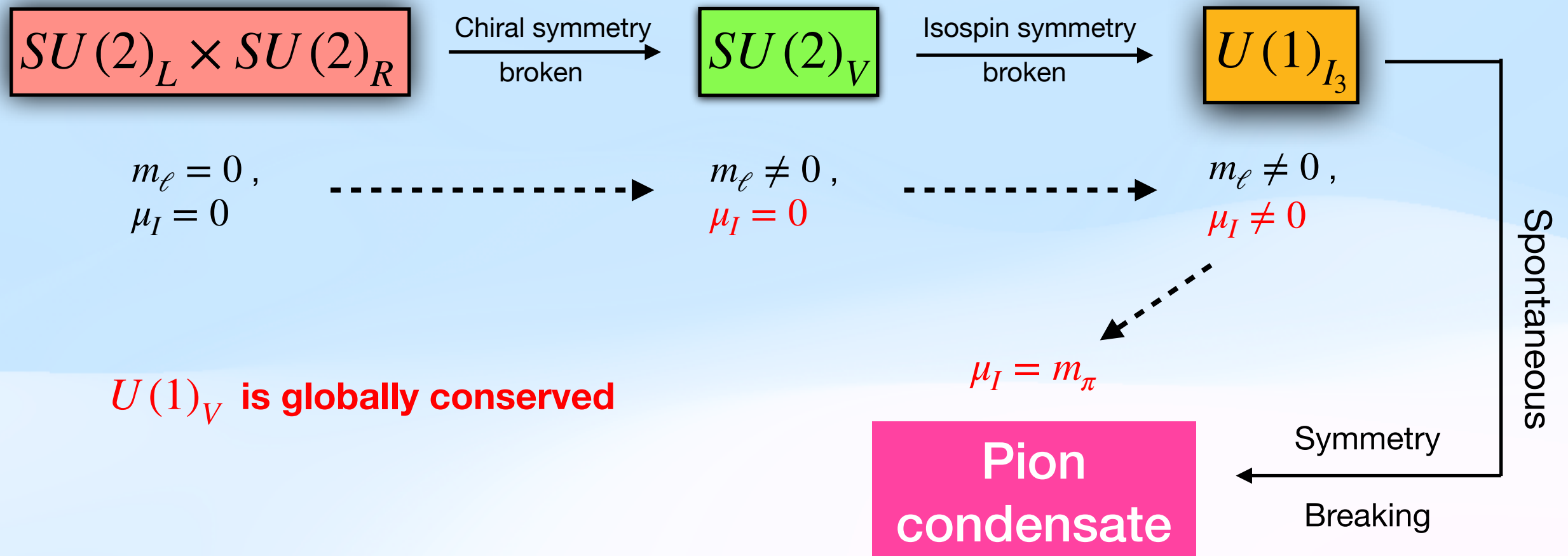


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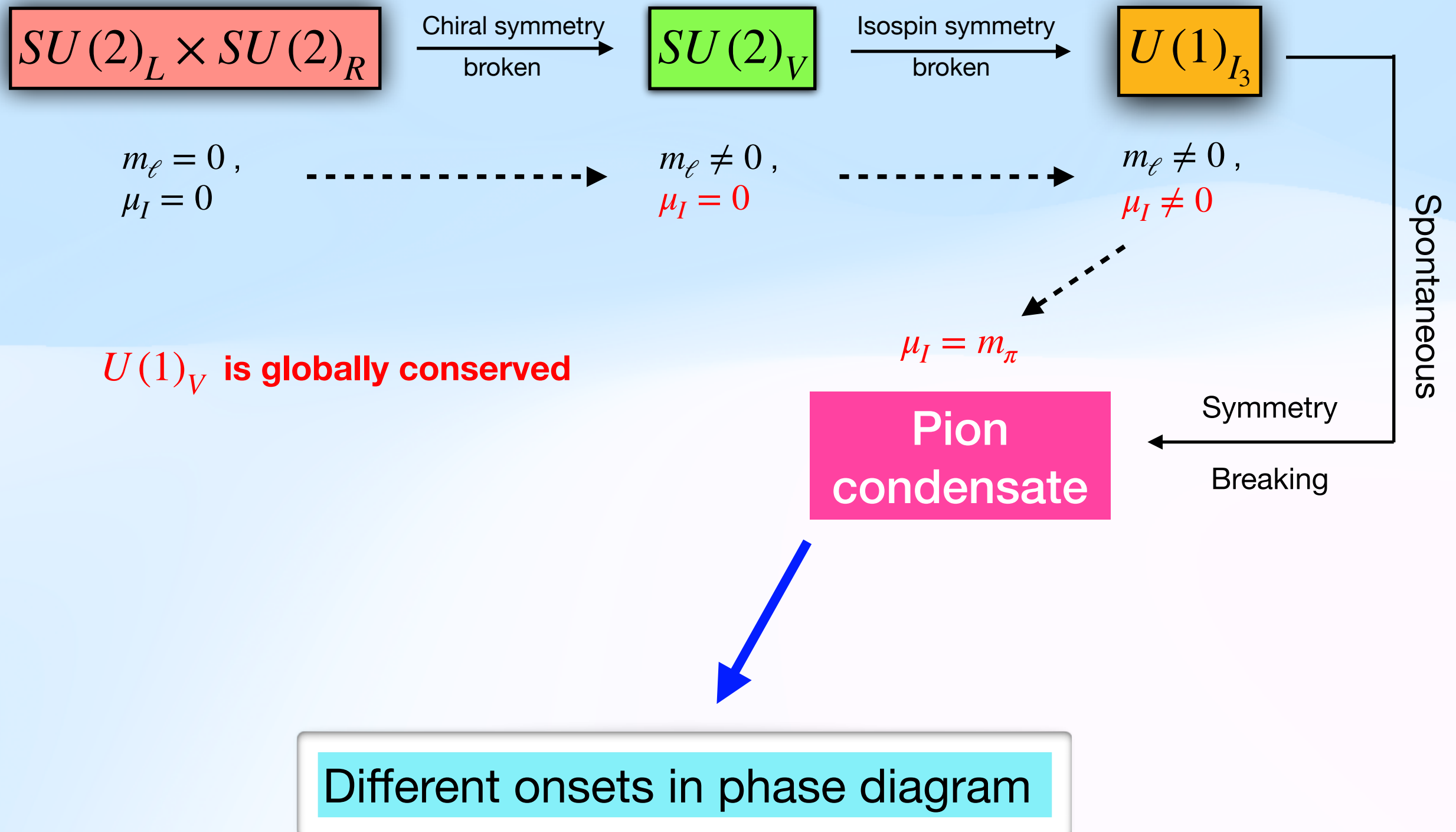


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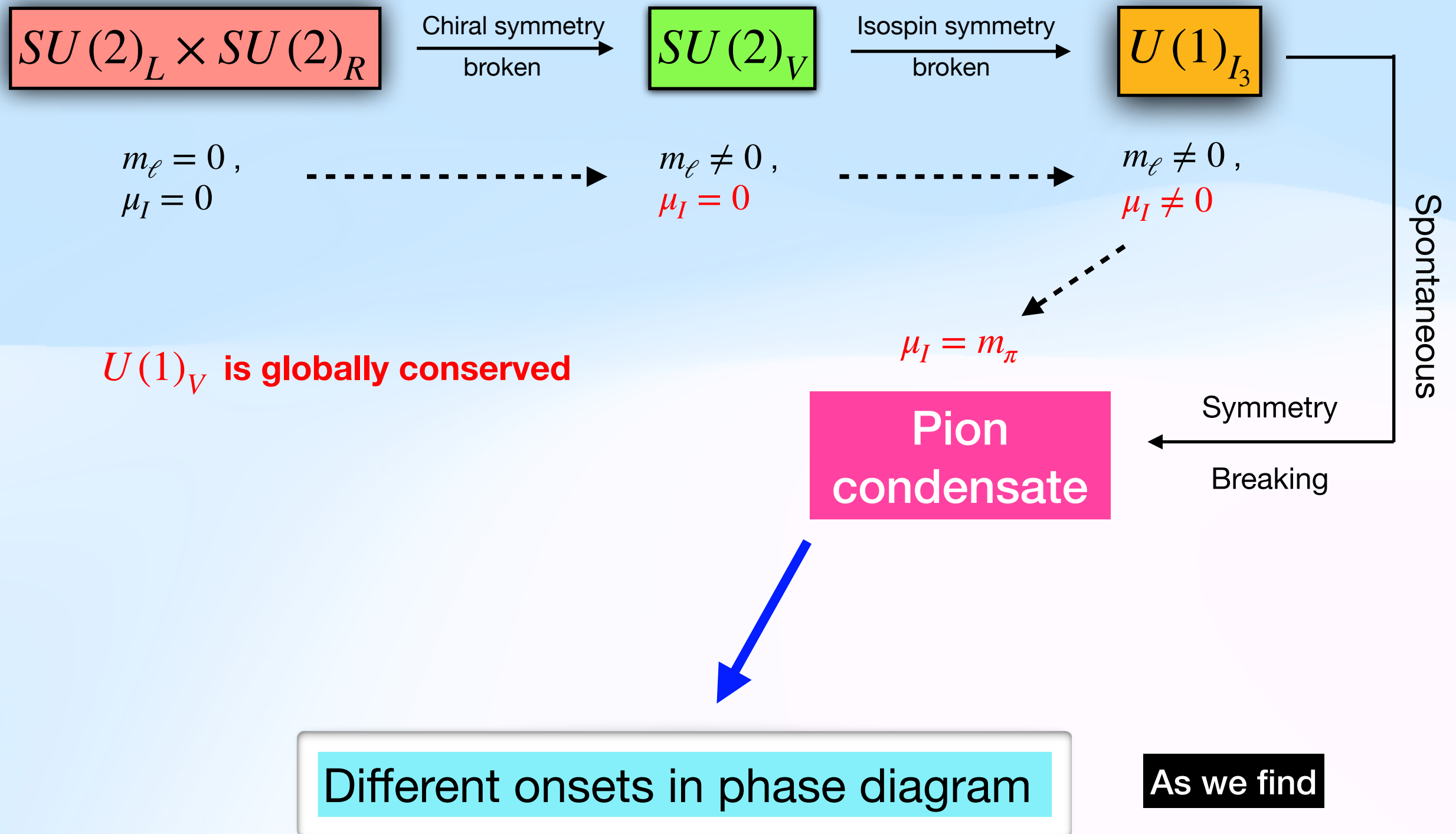
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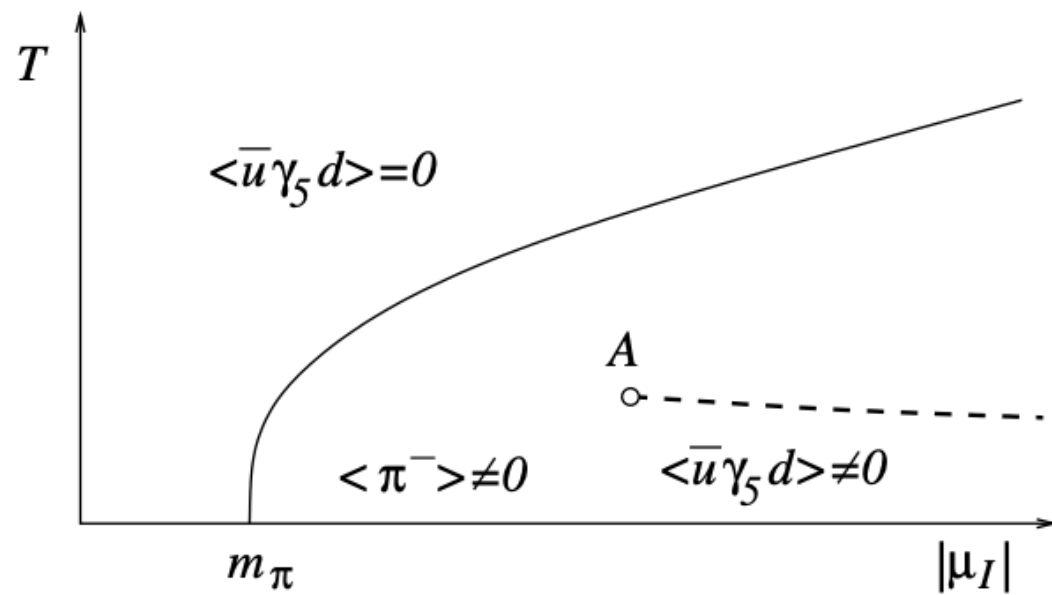


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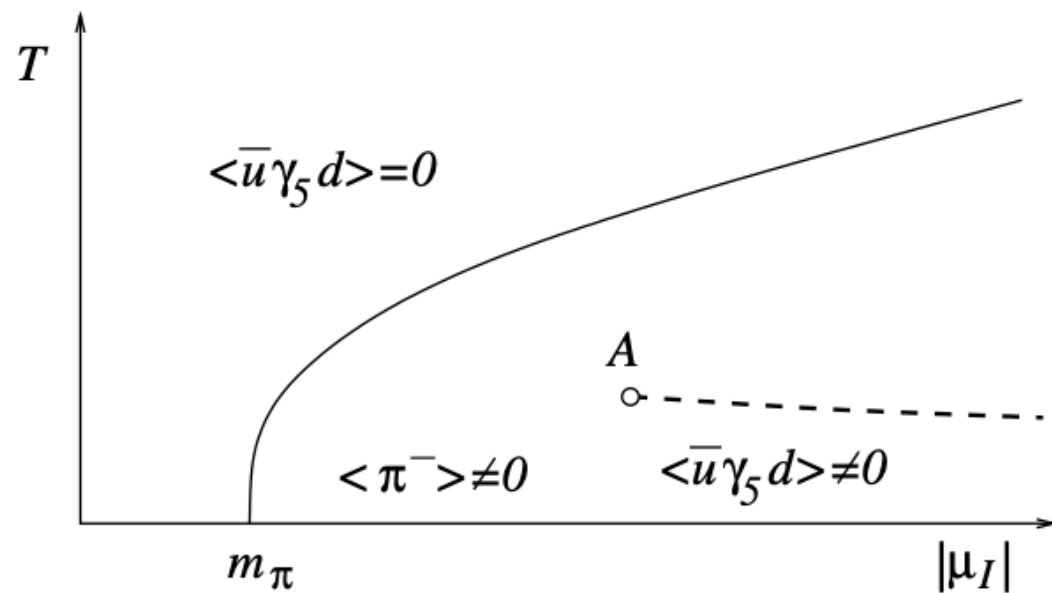


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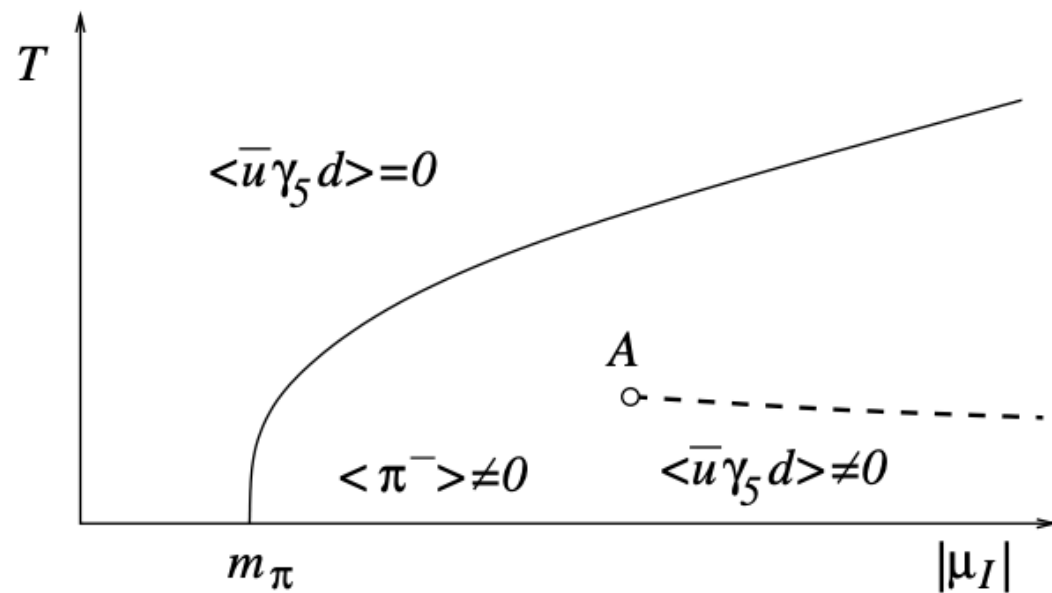


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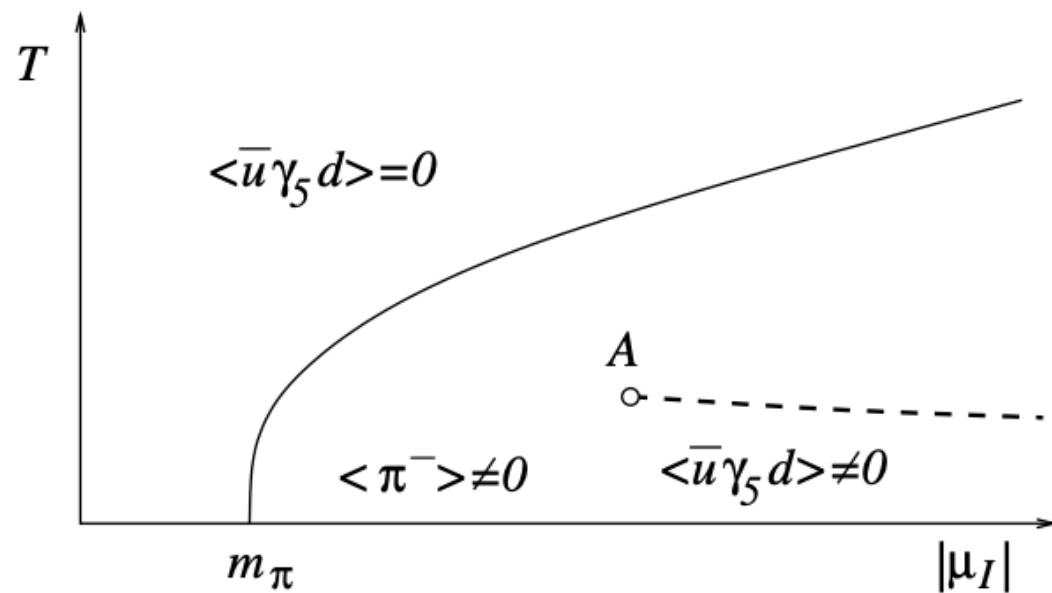


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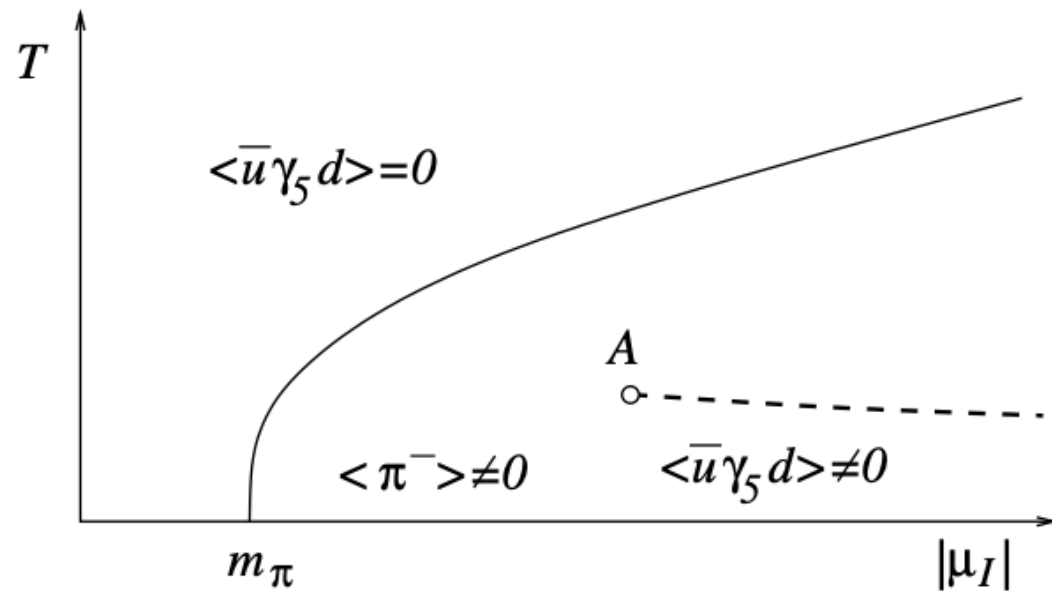
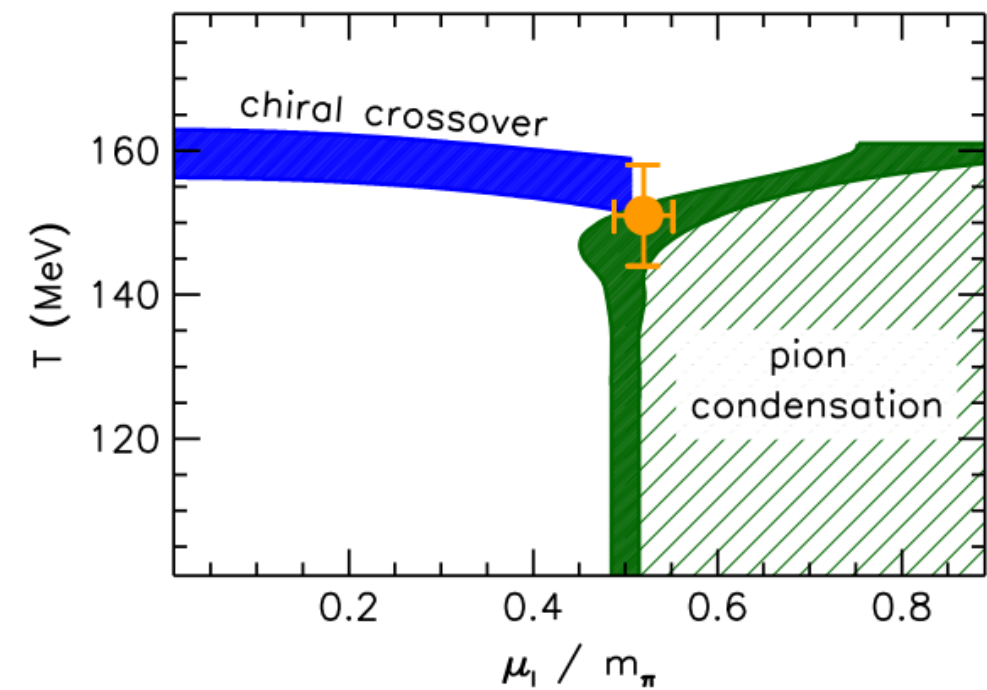


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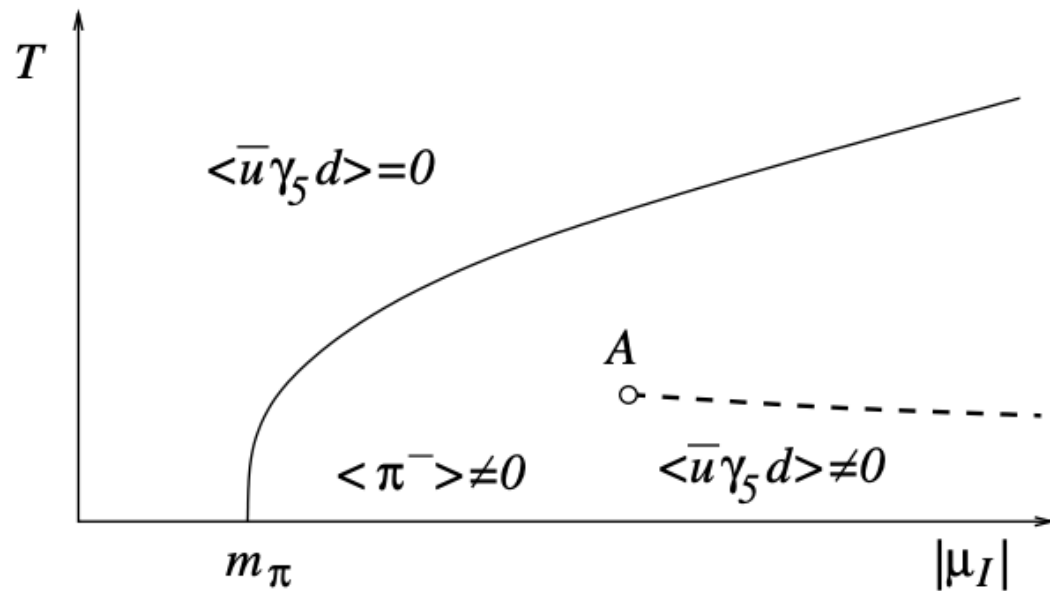
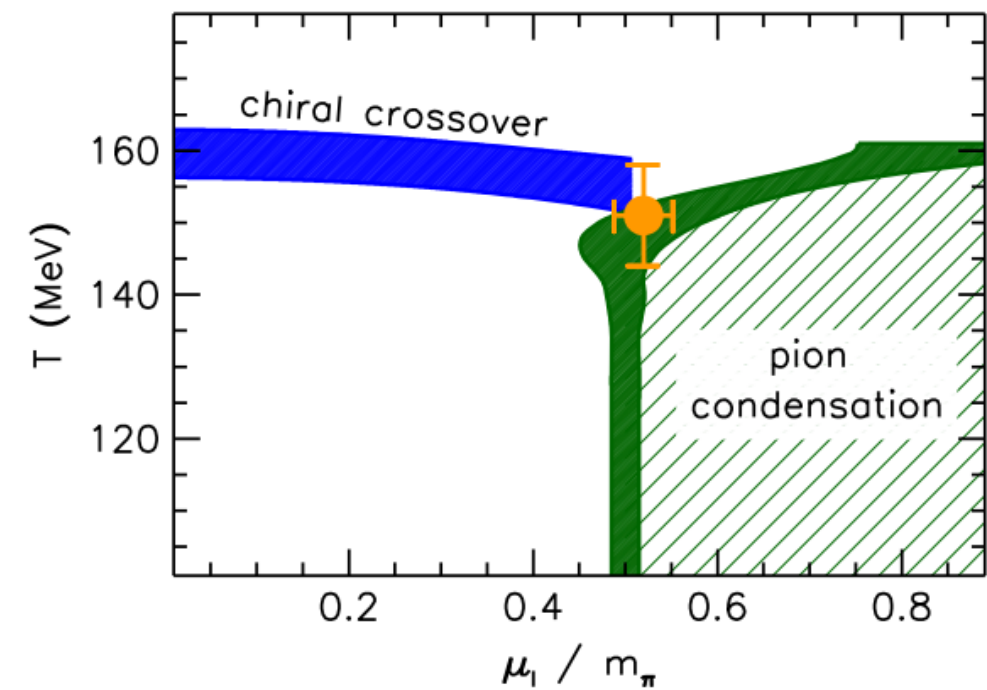


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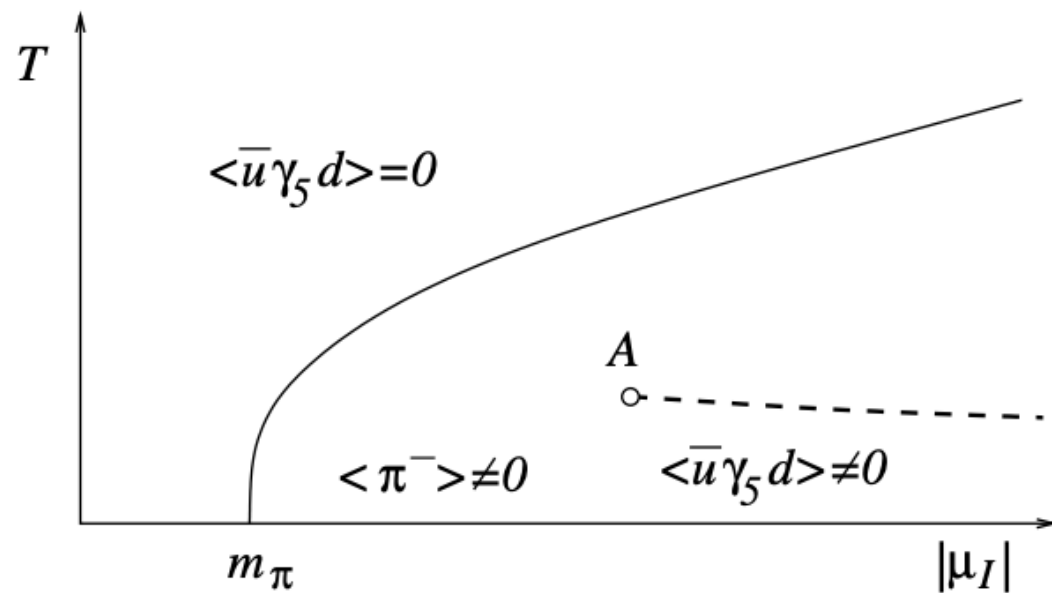


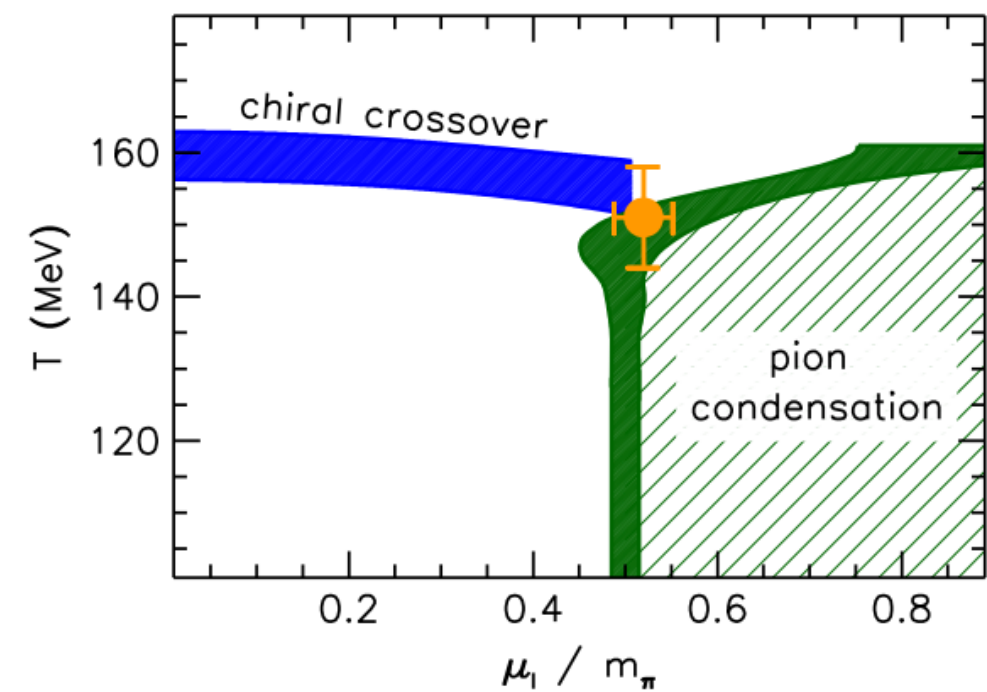
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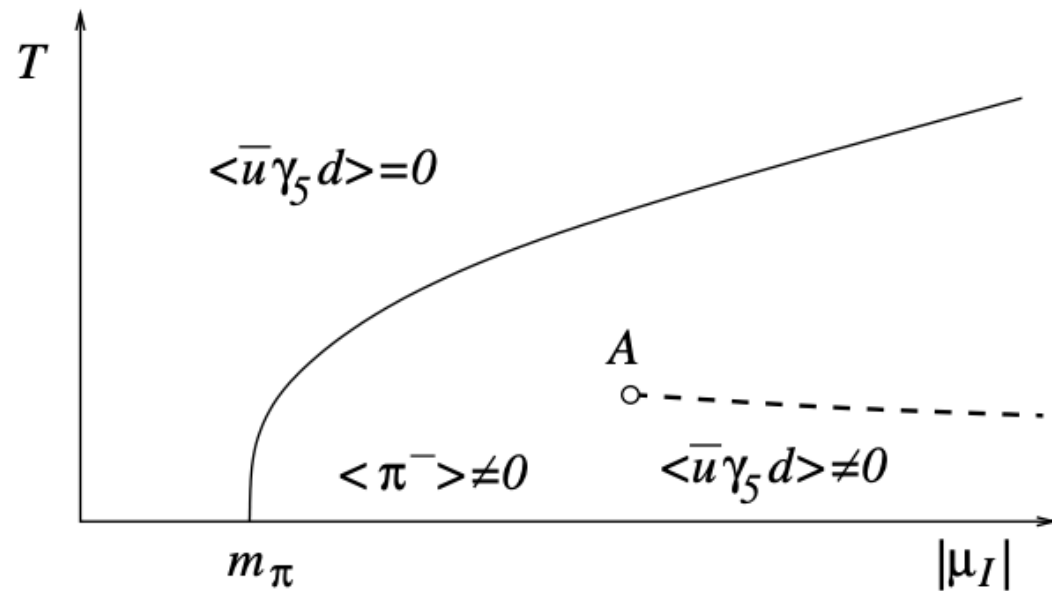


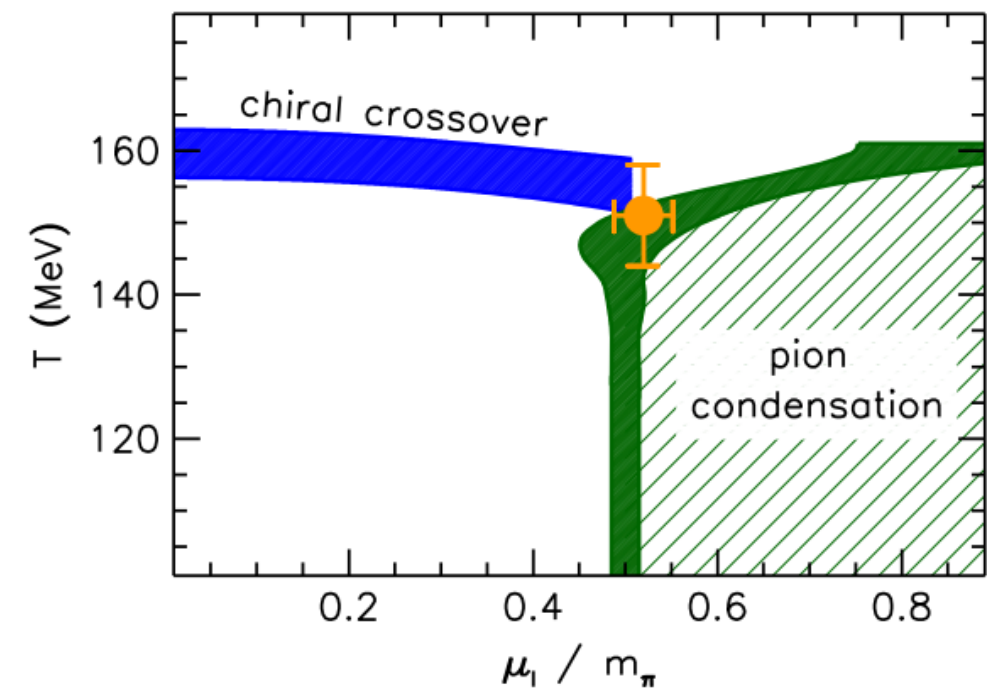
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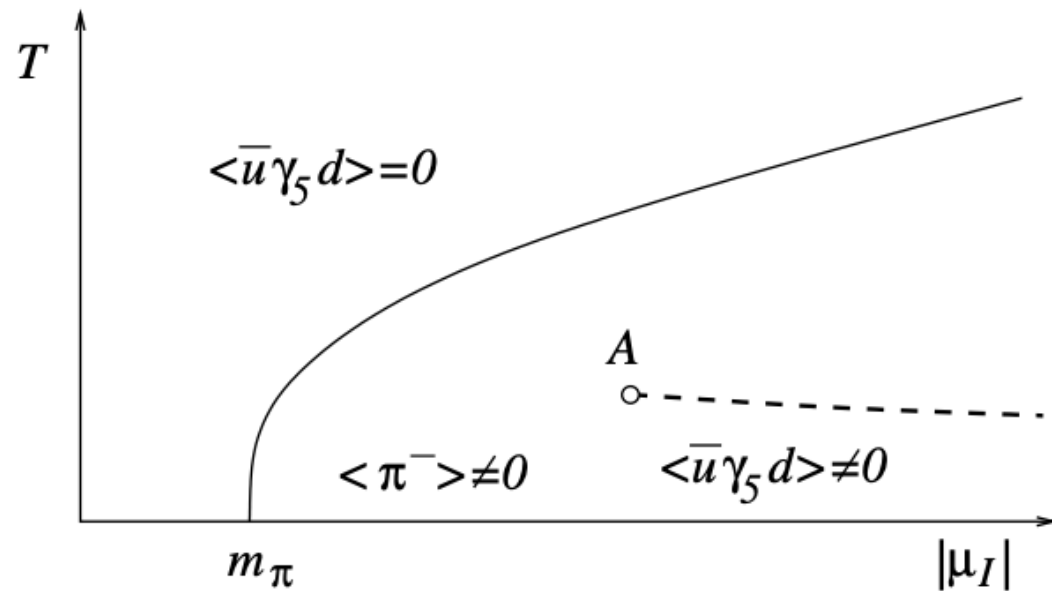


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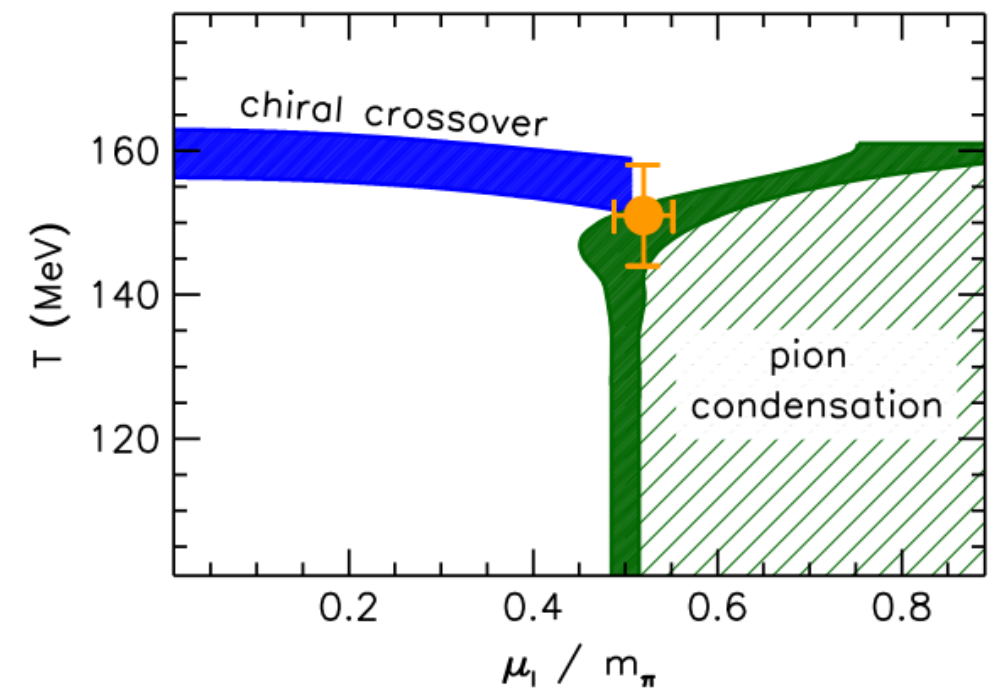
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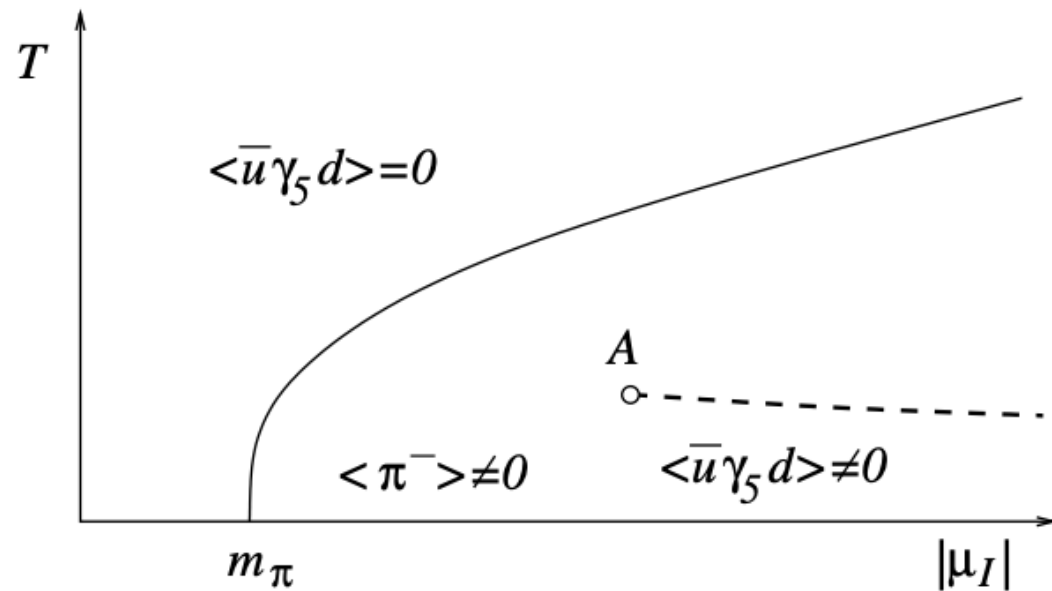


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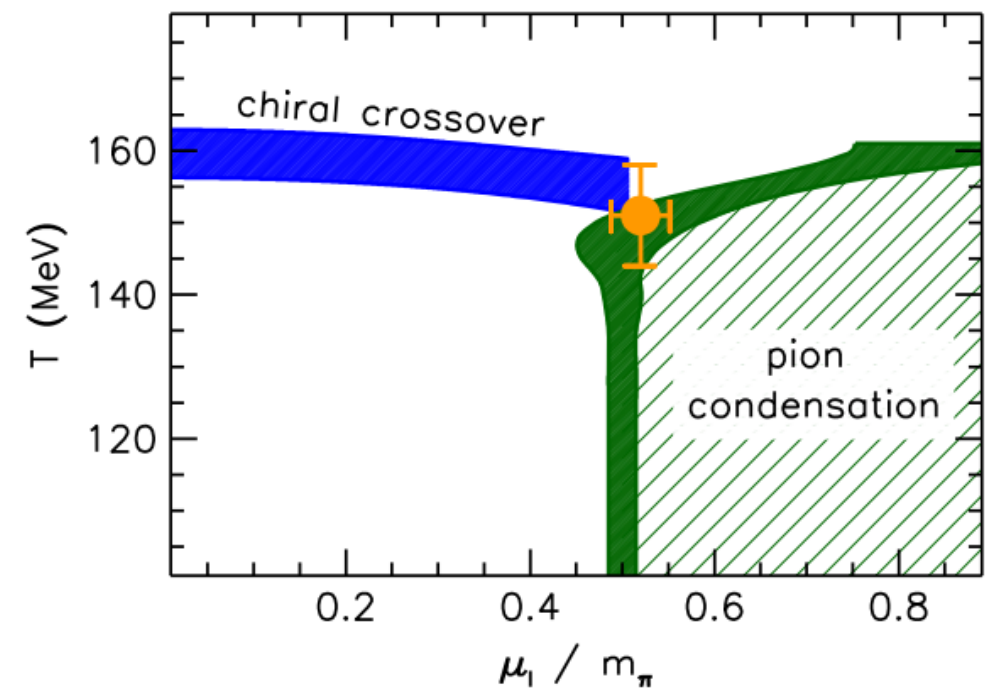
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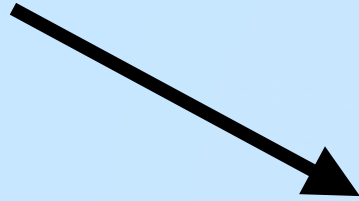


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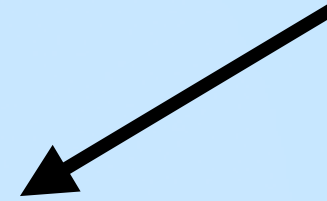
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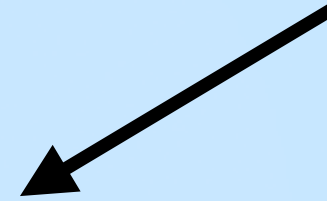
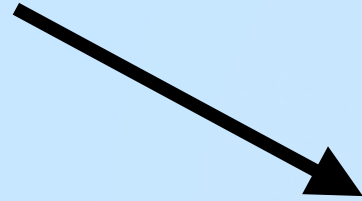


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SM, Hegde, Schmidt ; **PRD 106 (2022), 3, 034504**, arXiv : **2205.08517 [hep-lat]**

And now the working lattice ...

Lattice setup

- (2+1)-flavor Highly Improved Staggered Quark (HISQ) action
- Working lattices $\longrightarrow 32^3 \times 8$ lattices (higher volumes in future)
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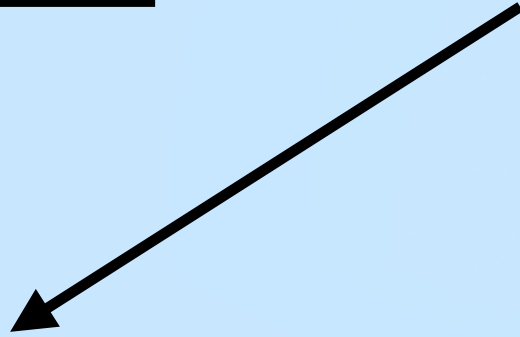
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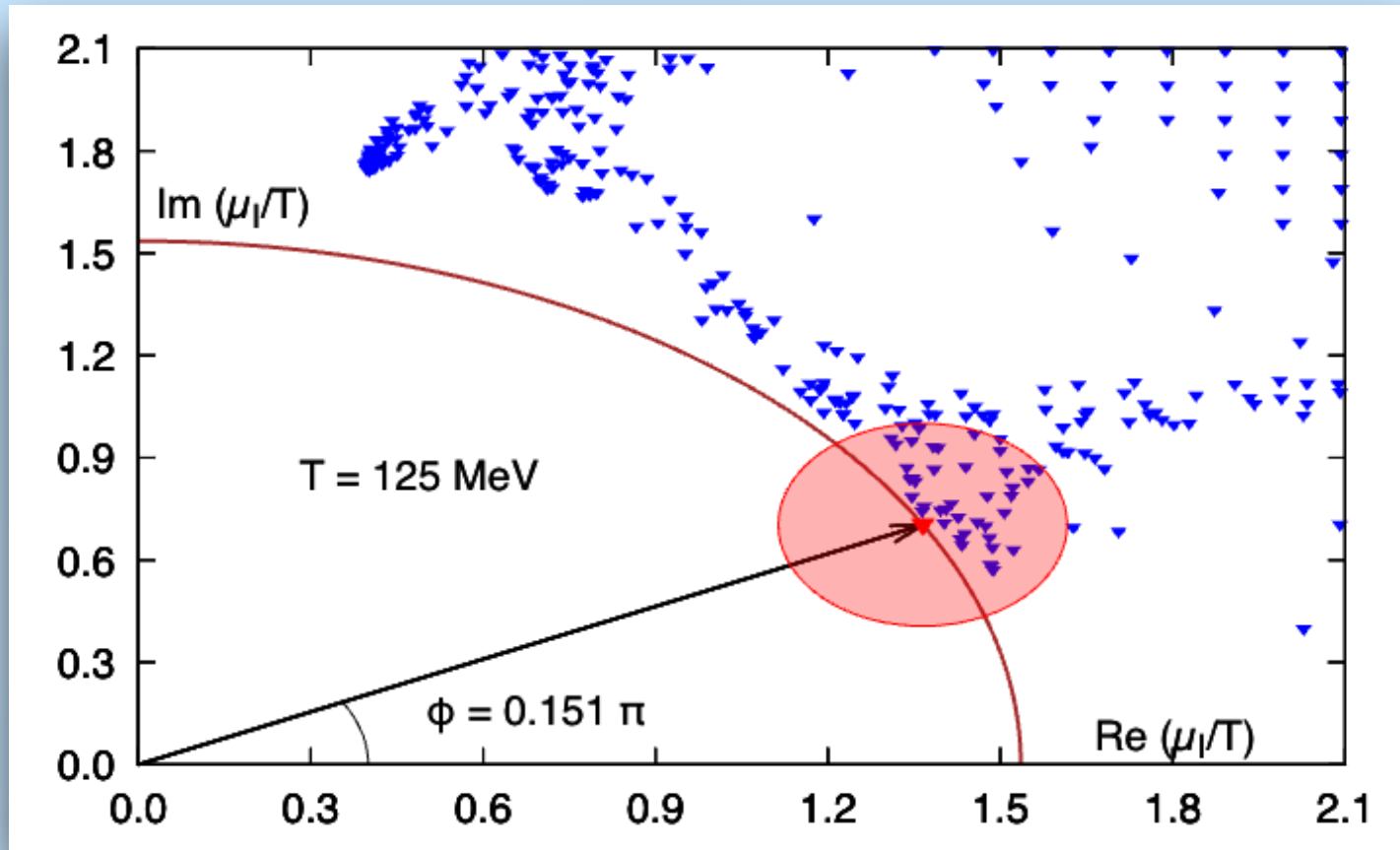
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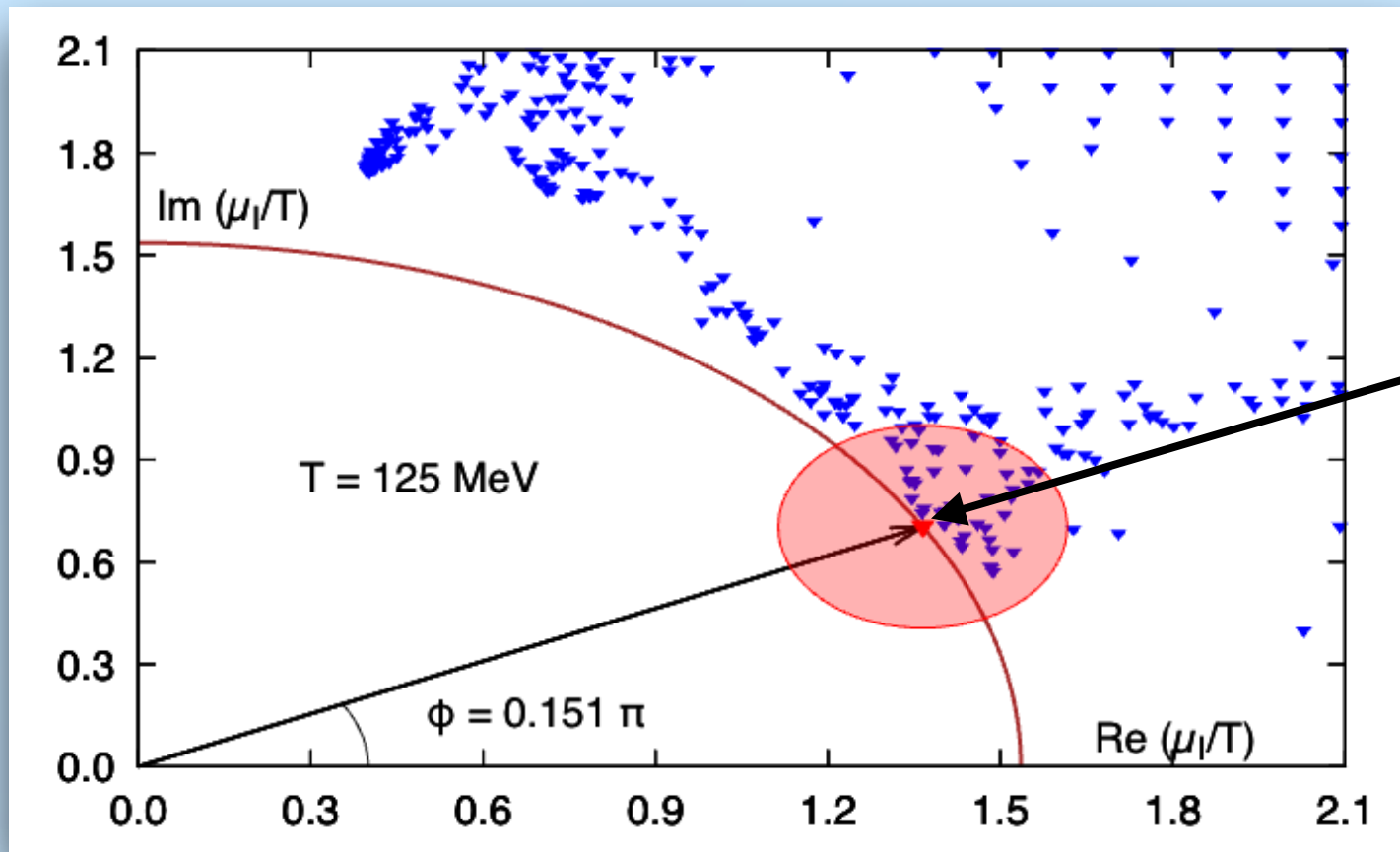
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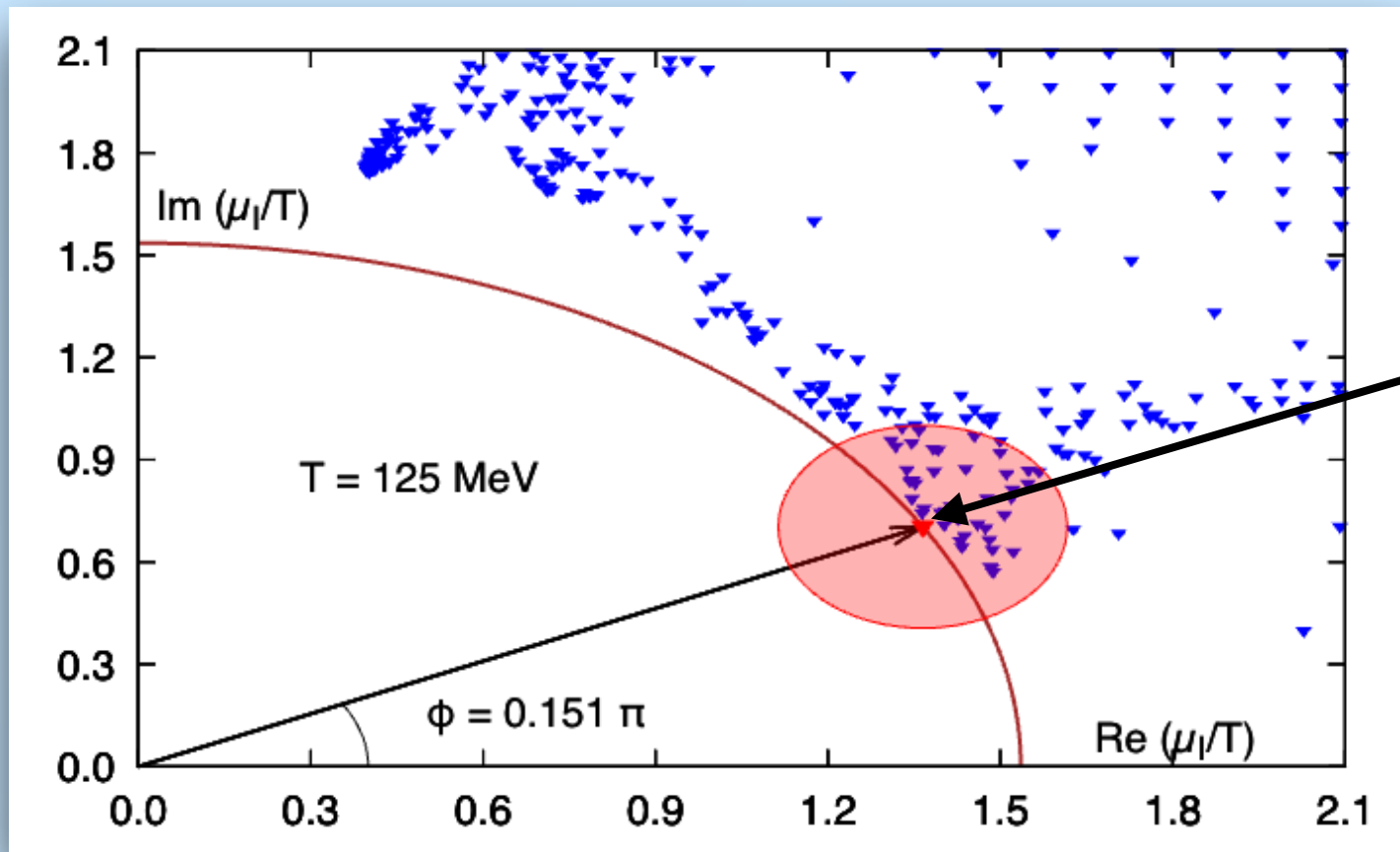
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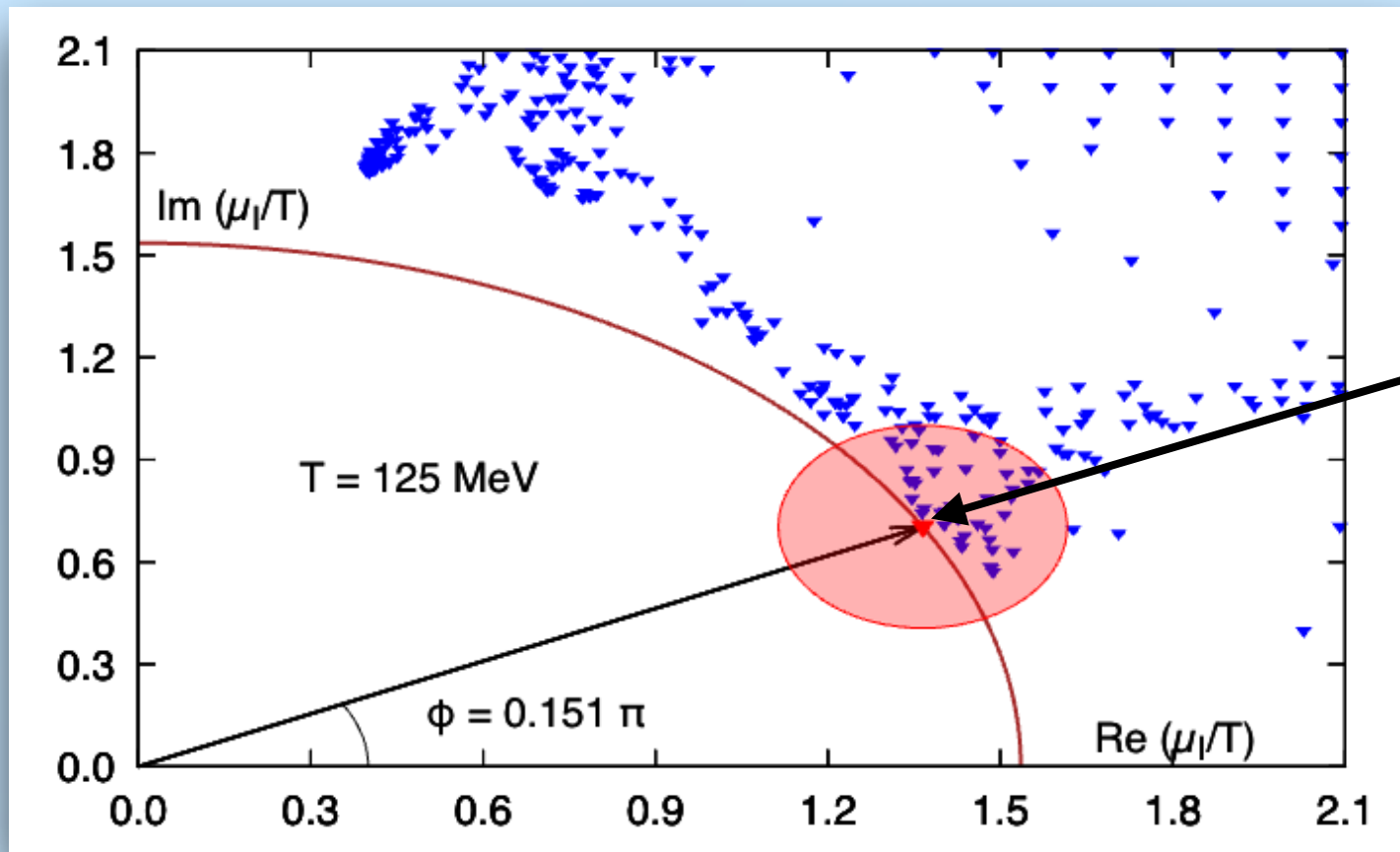


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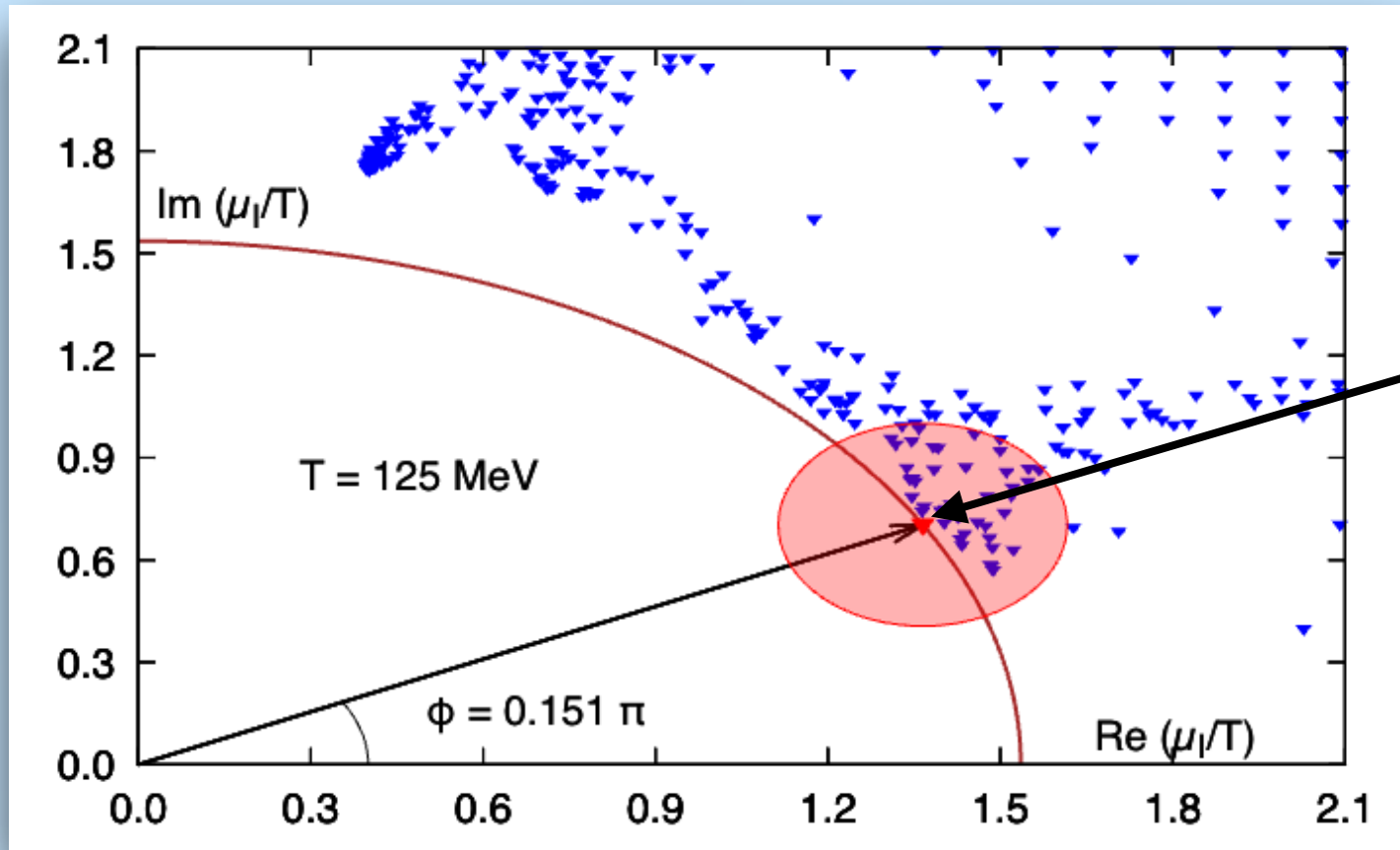


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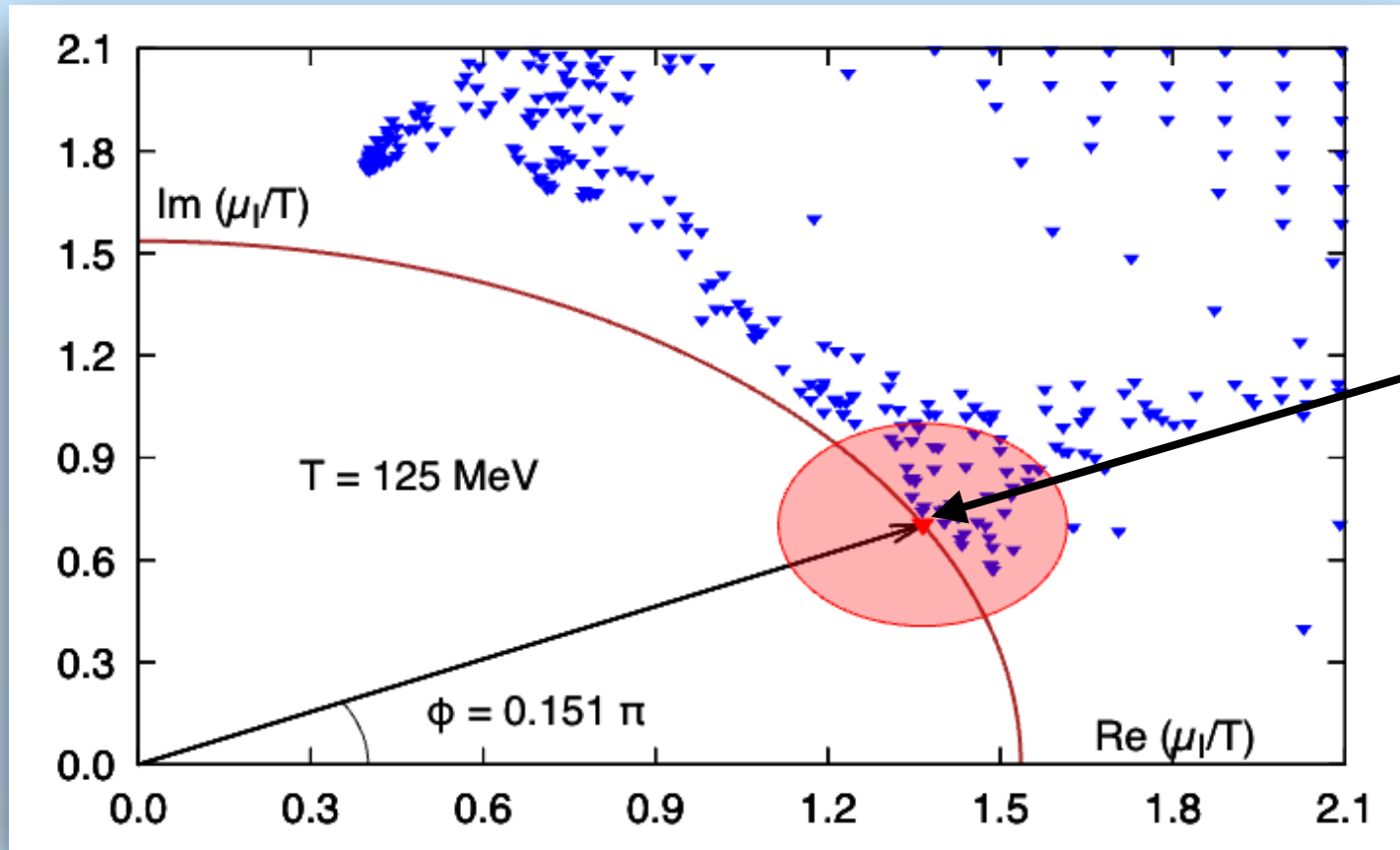
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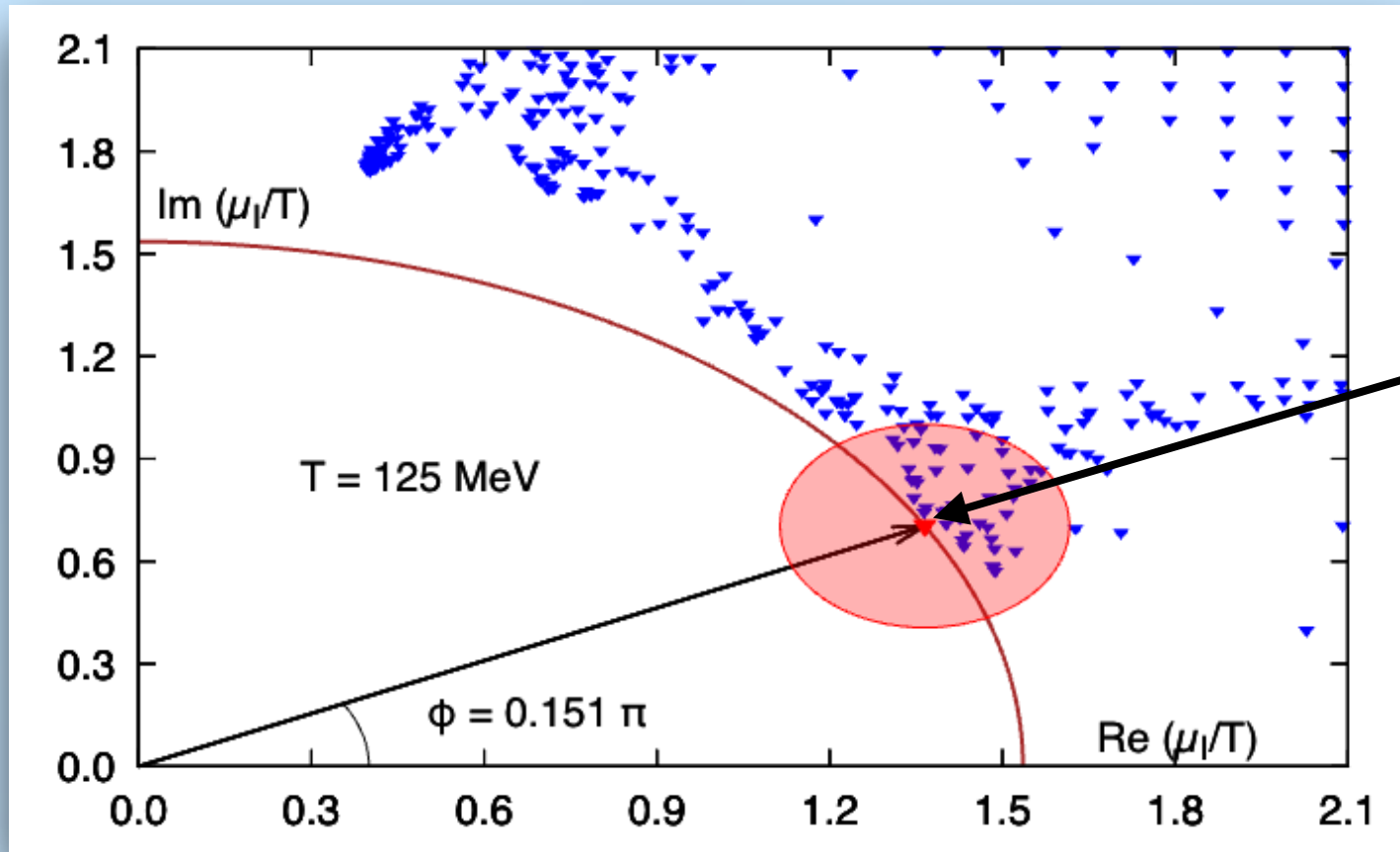
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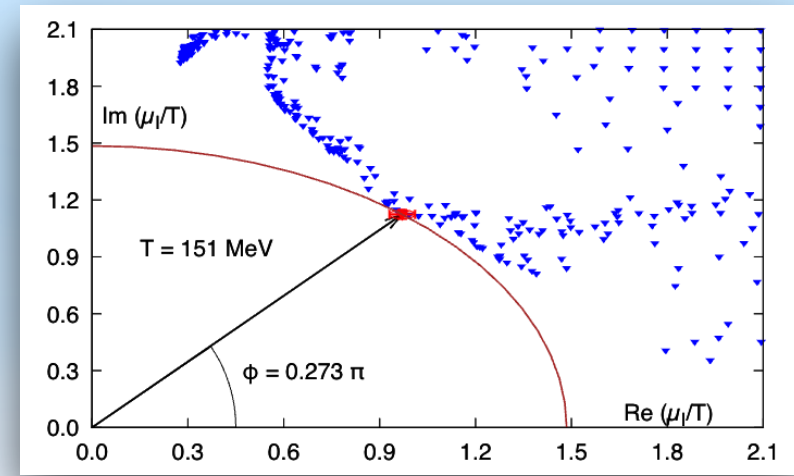
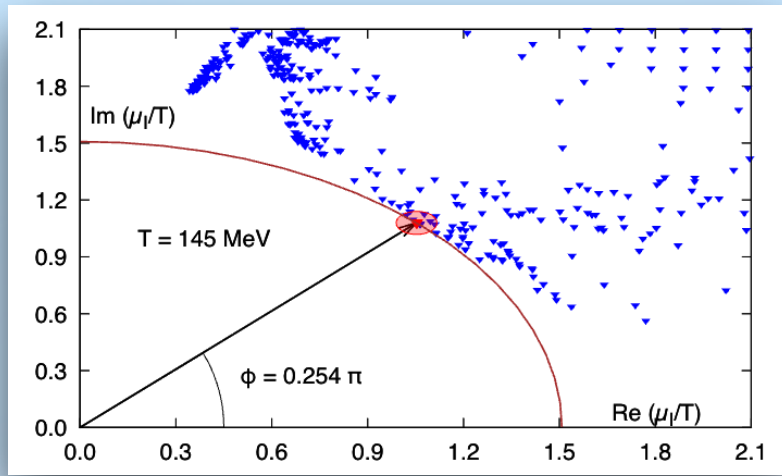
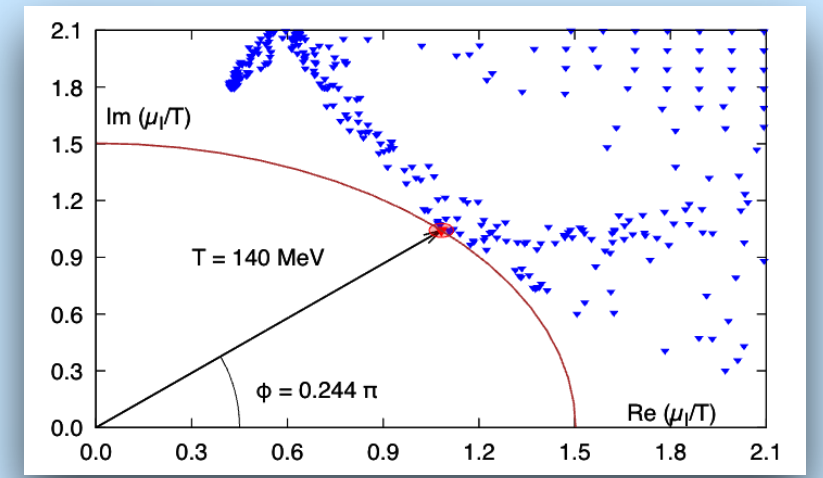
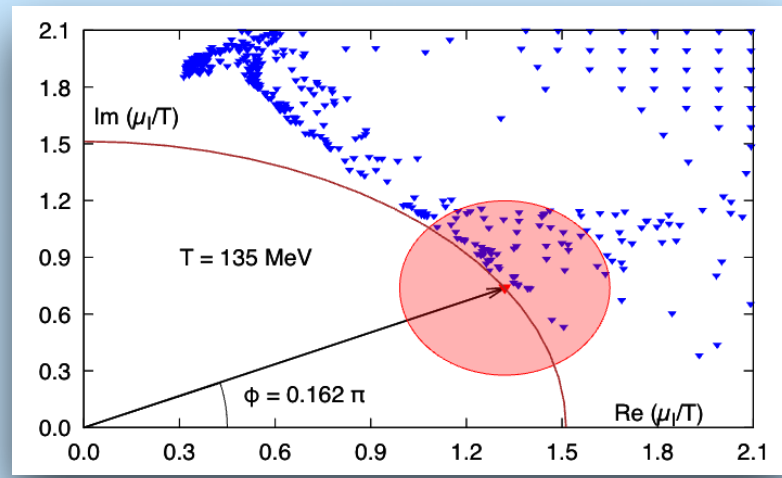
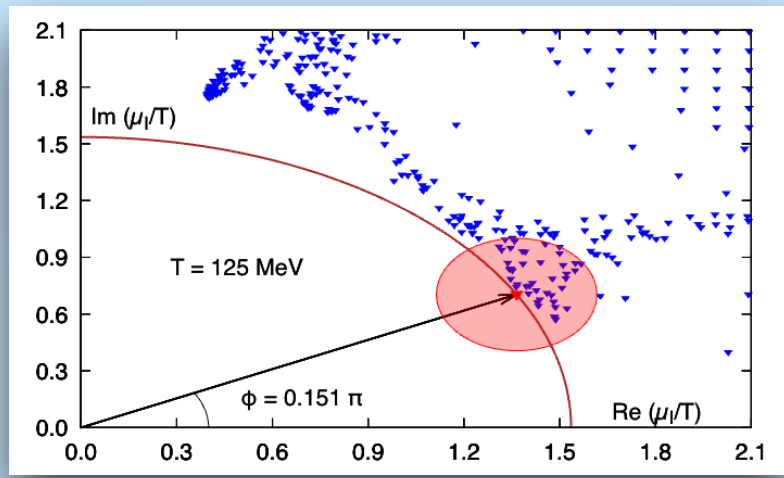
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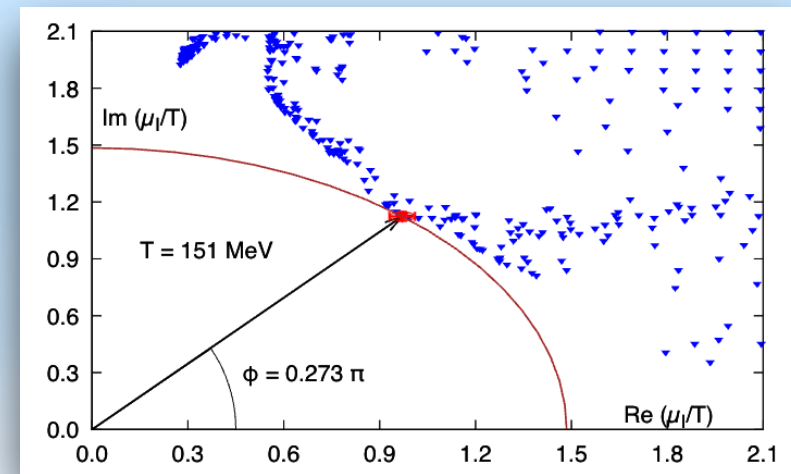
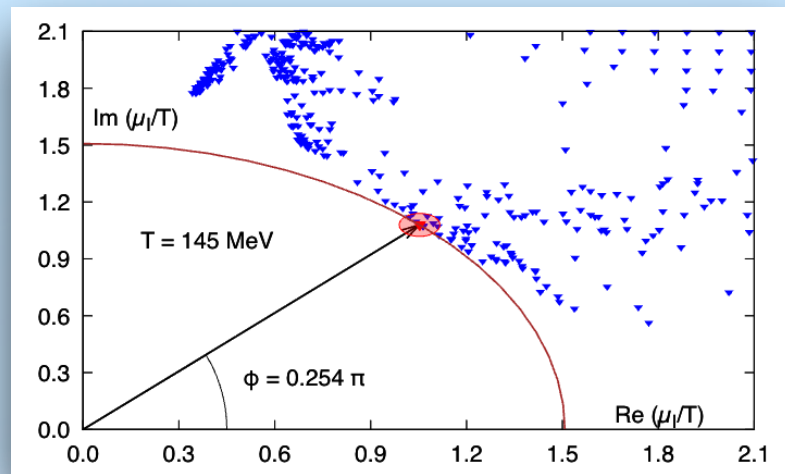
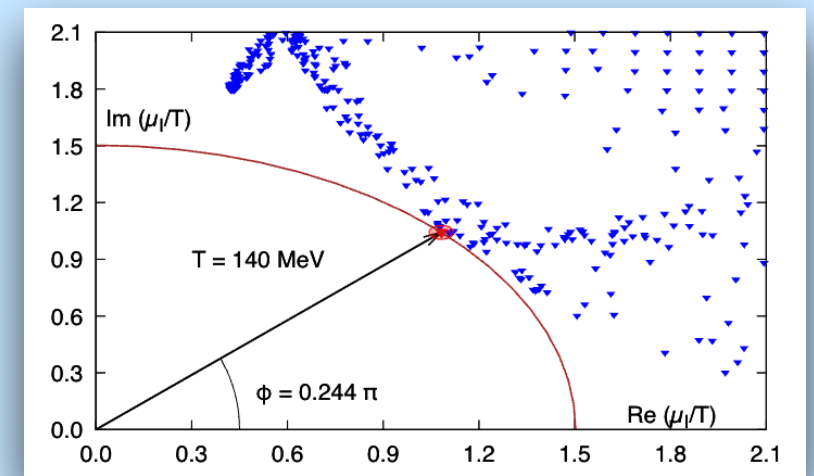
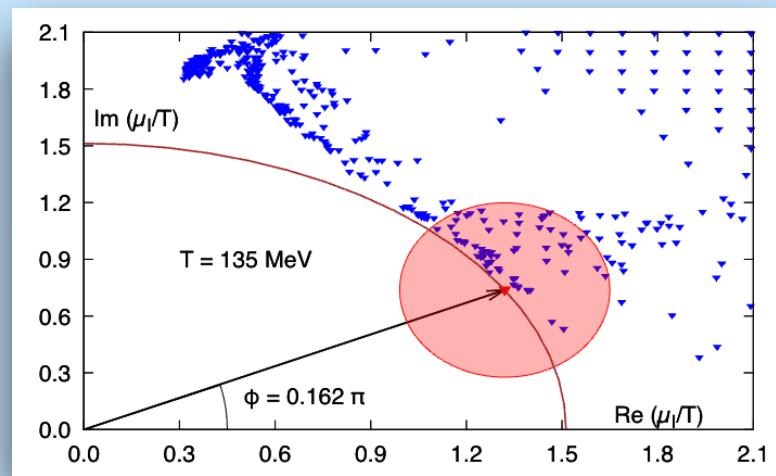
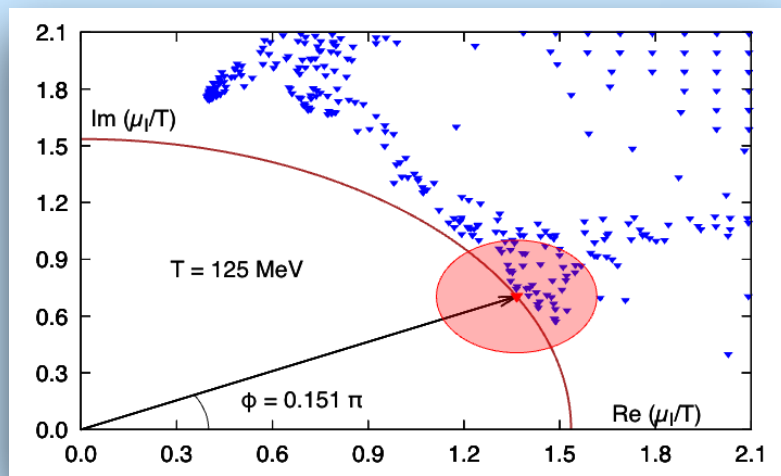
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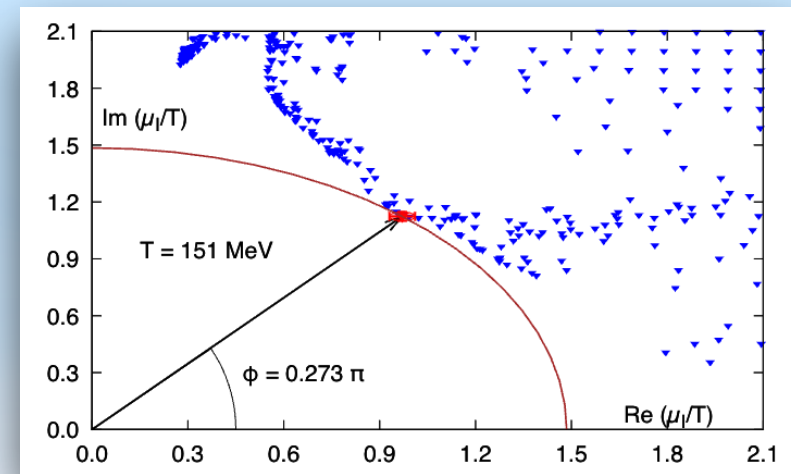
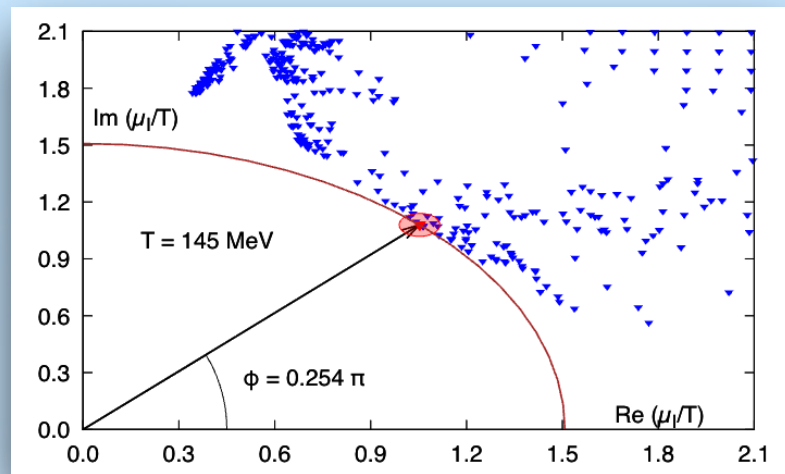
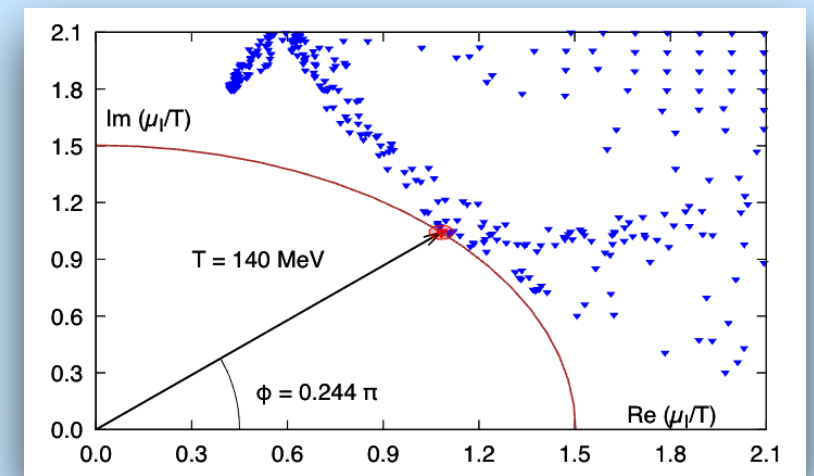
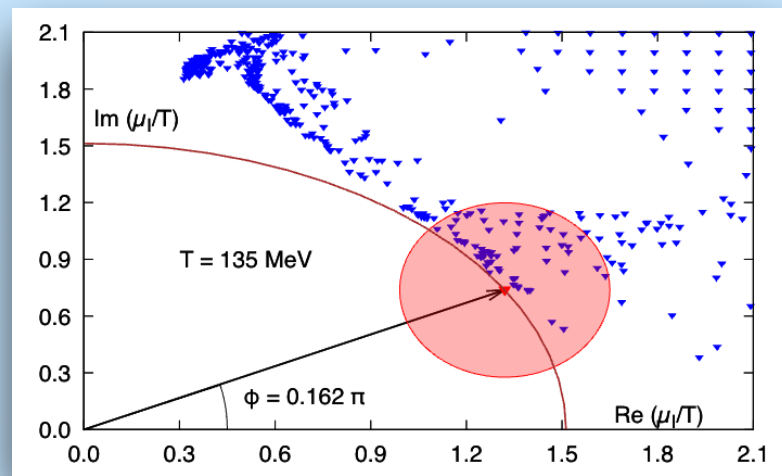
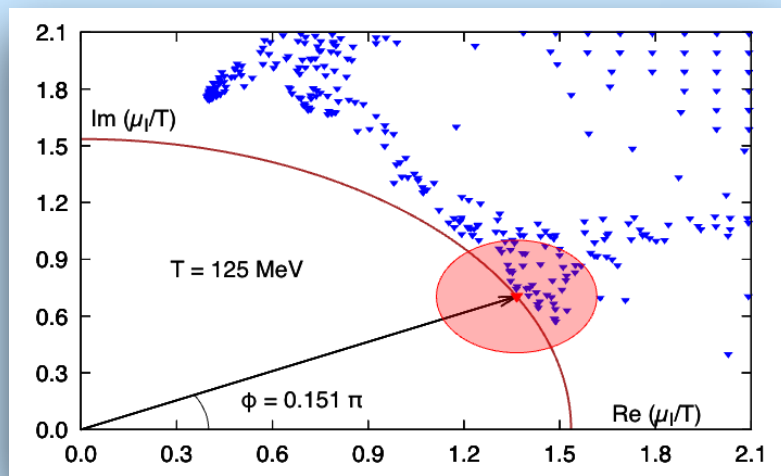
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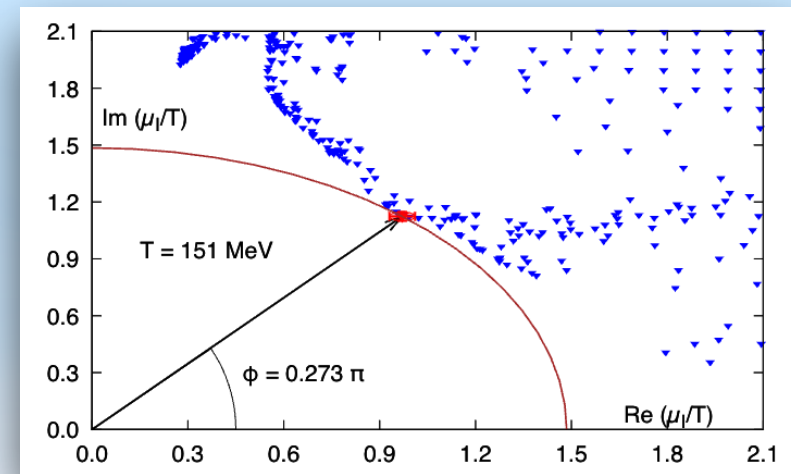
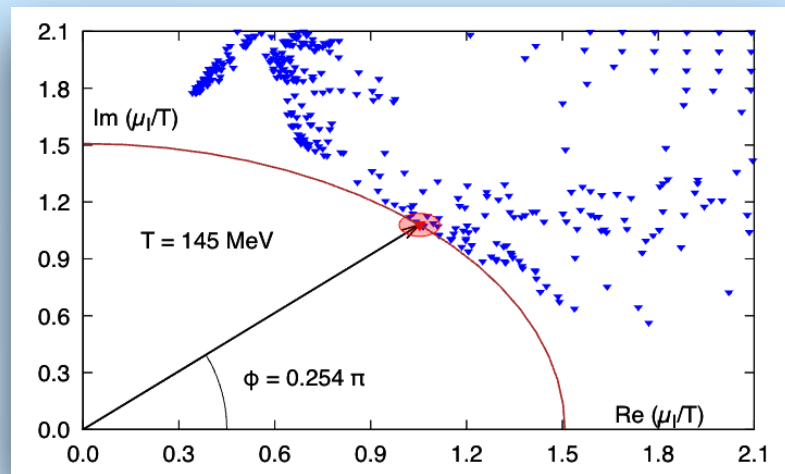
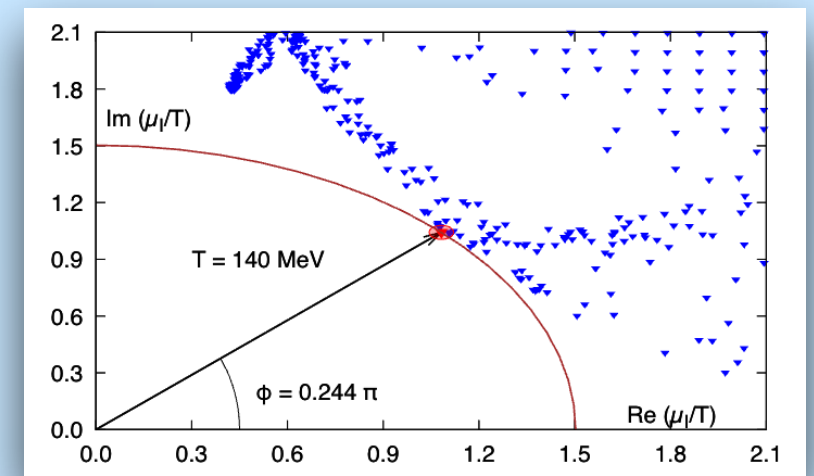
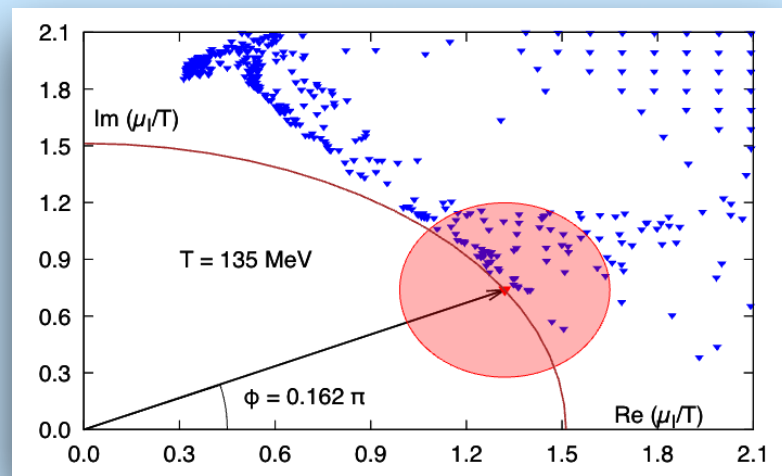
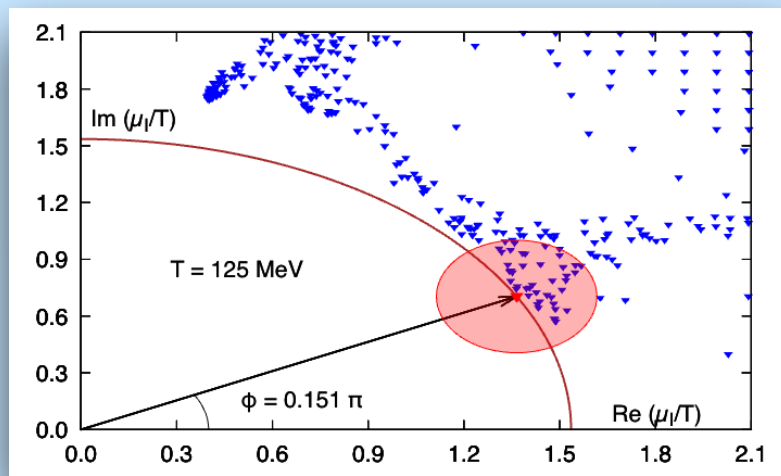


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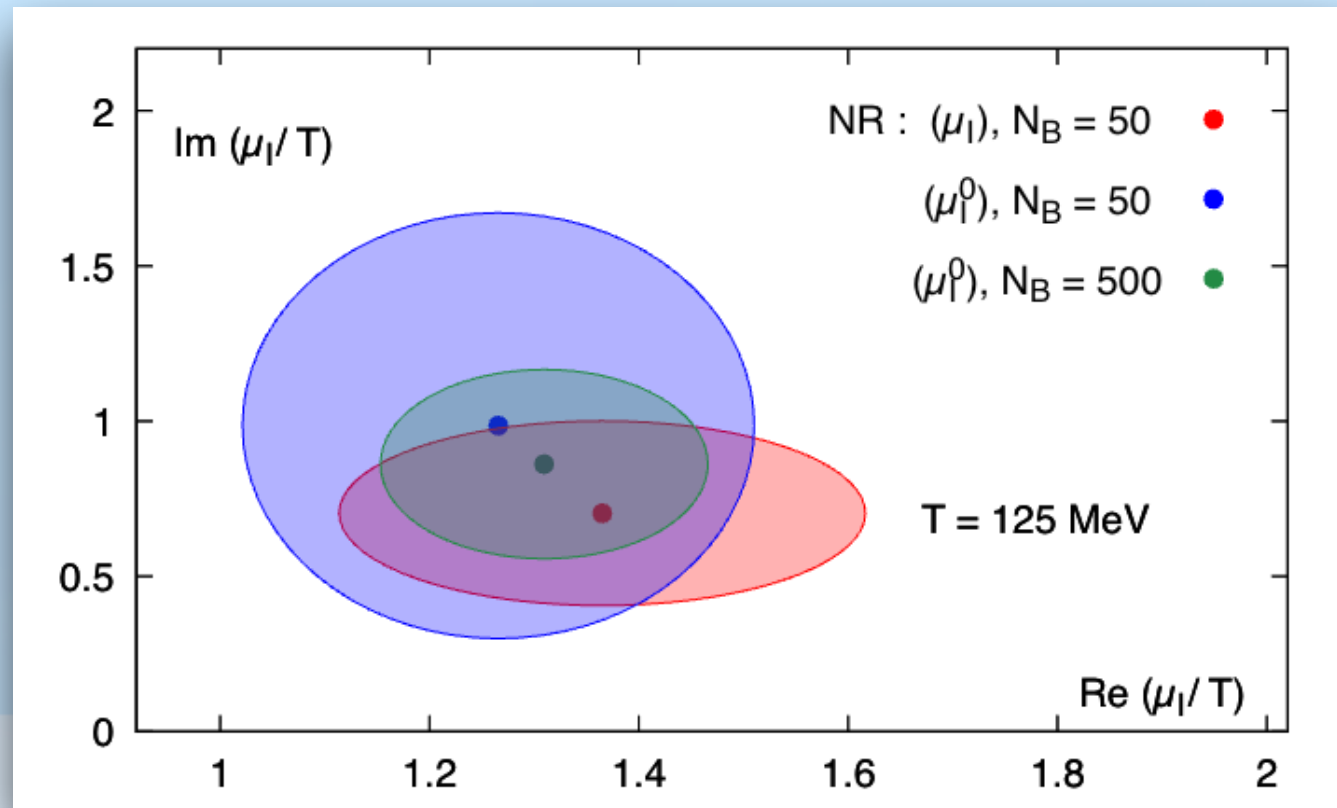
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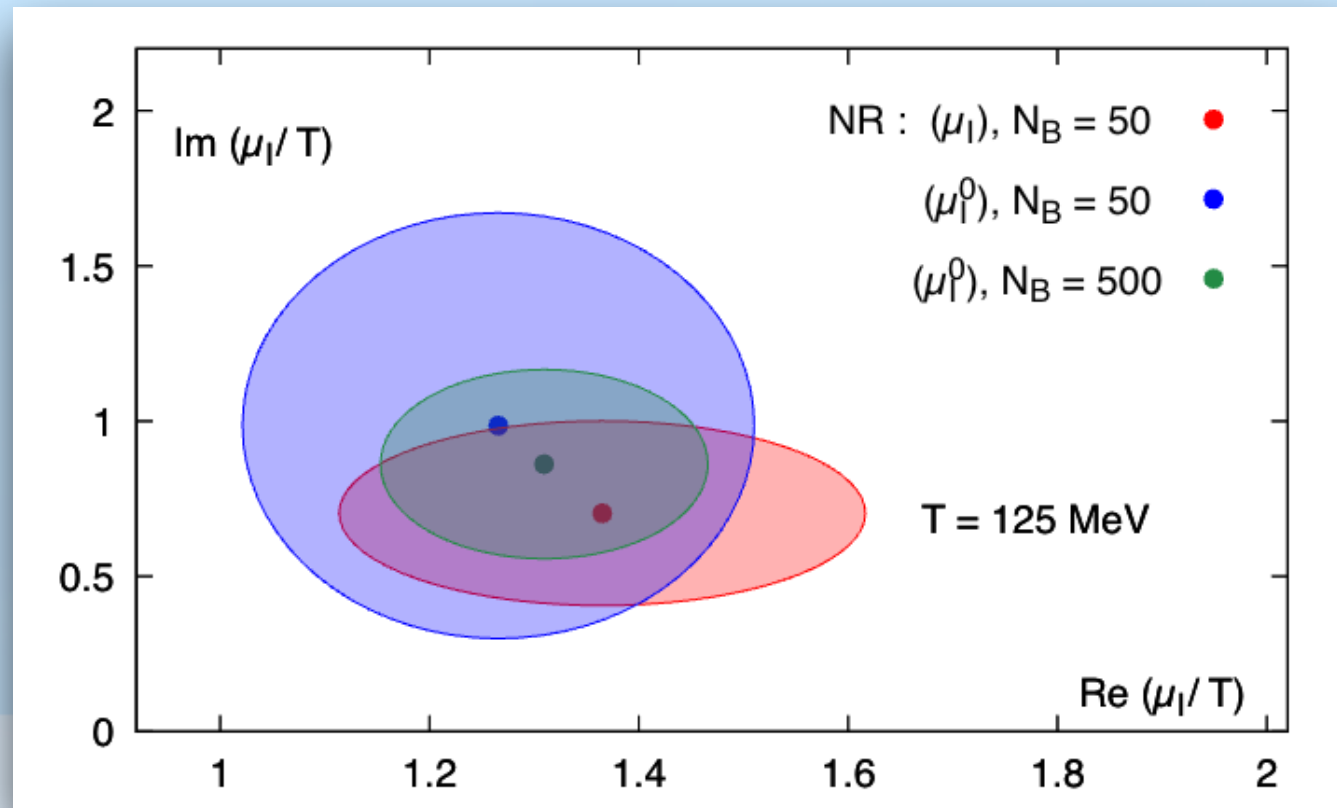
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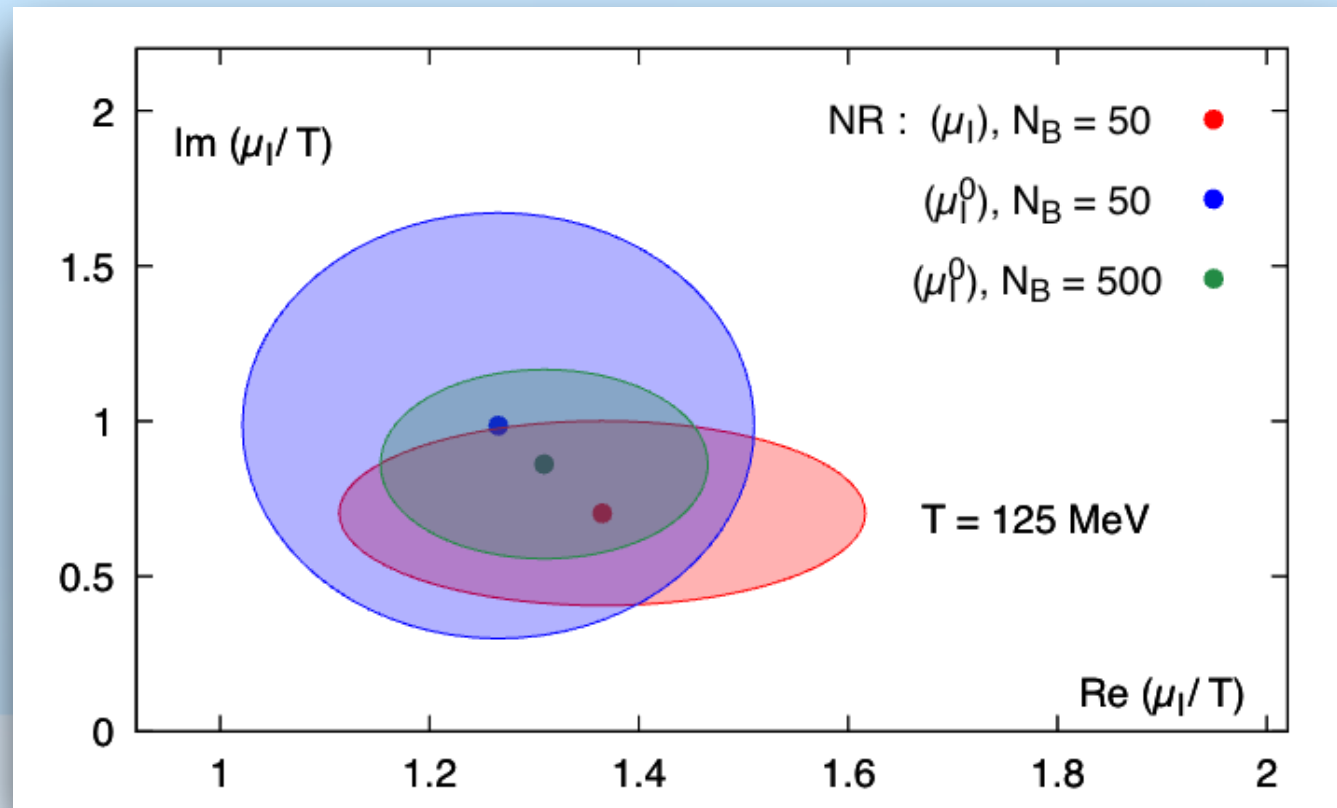


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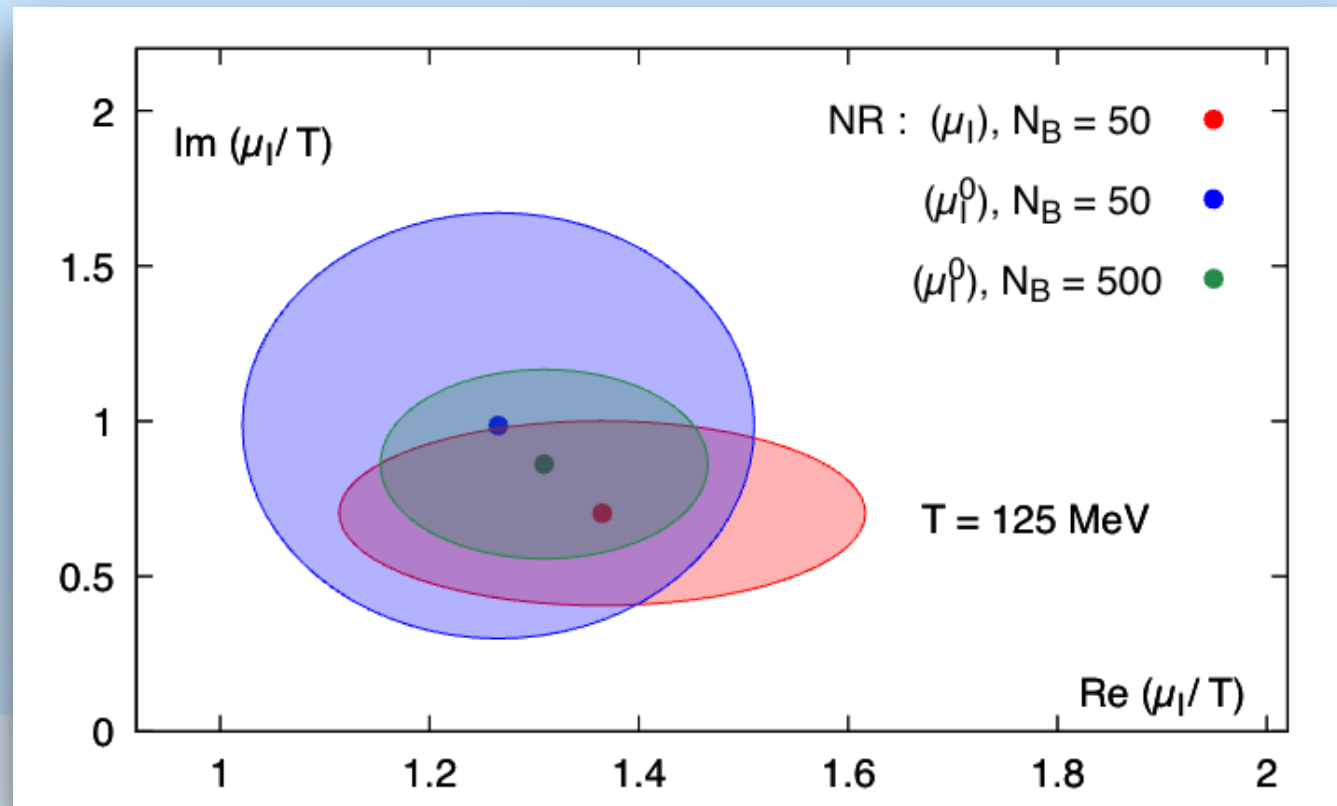
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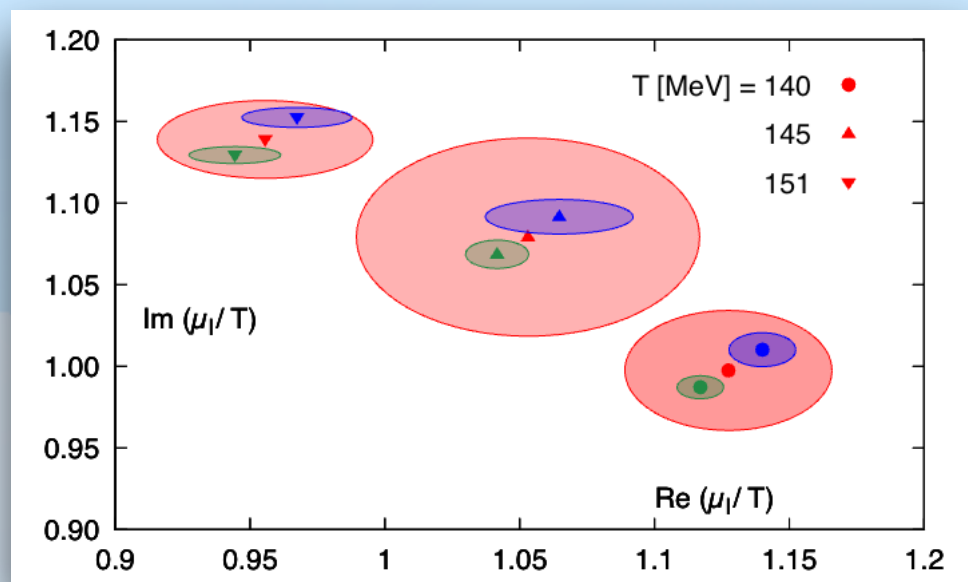
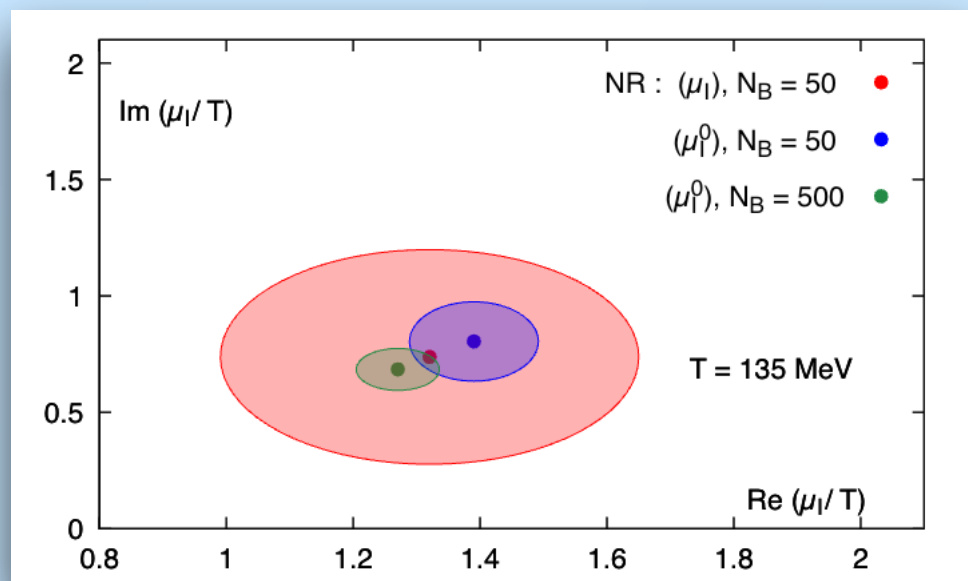
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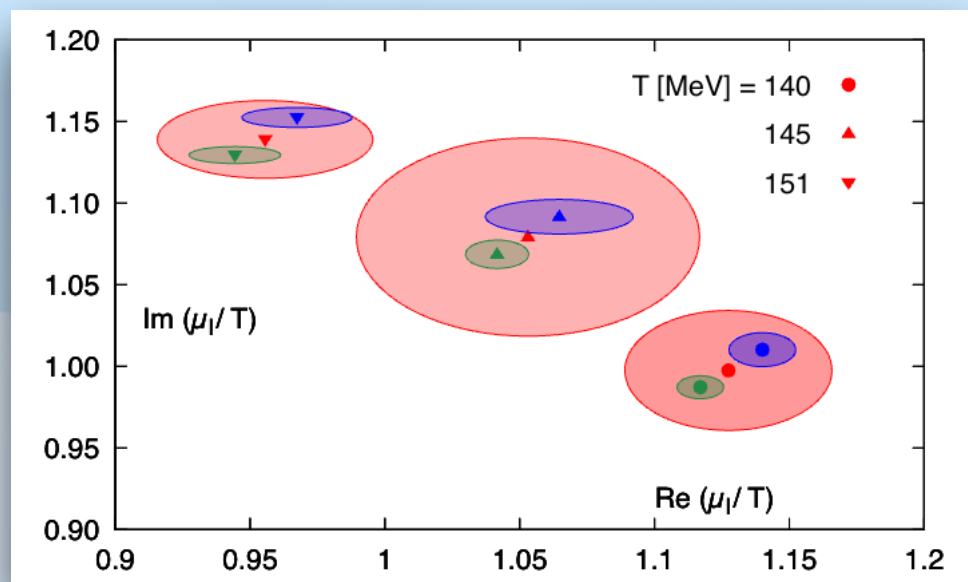
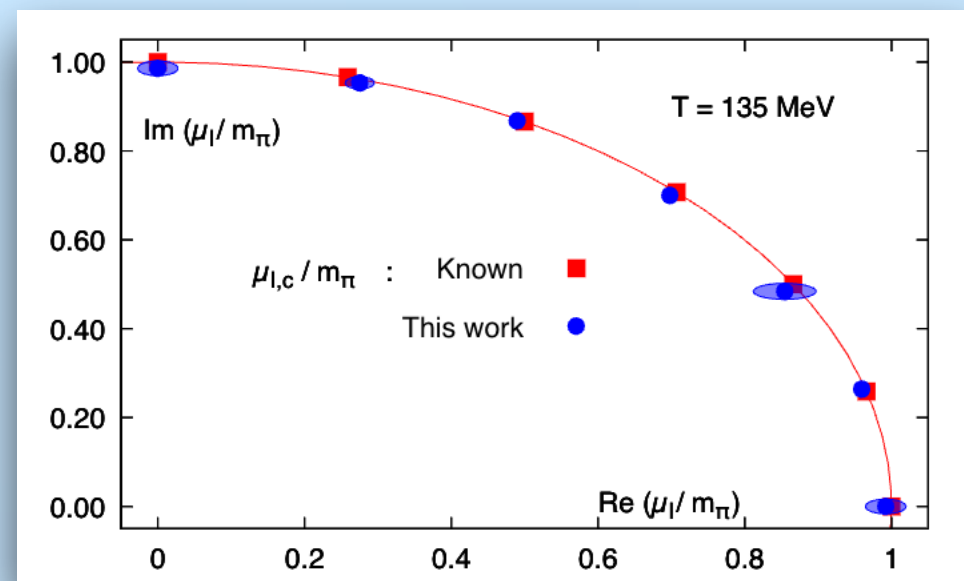
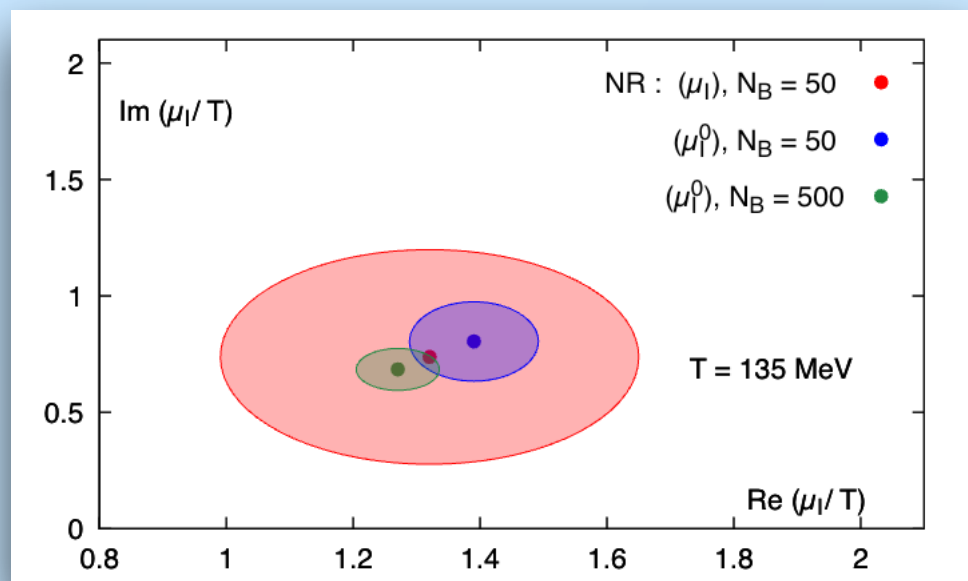


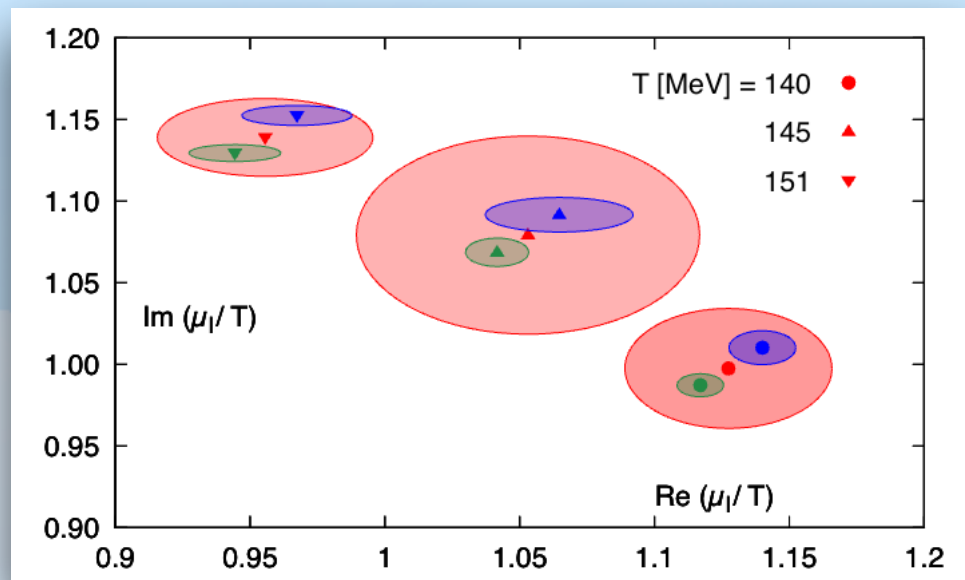
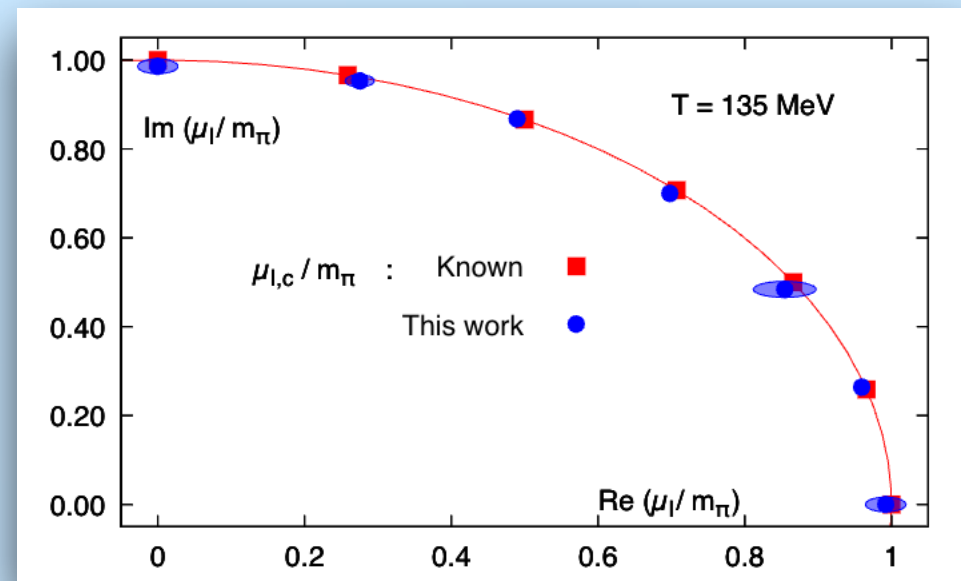
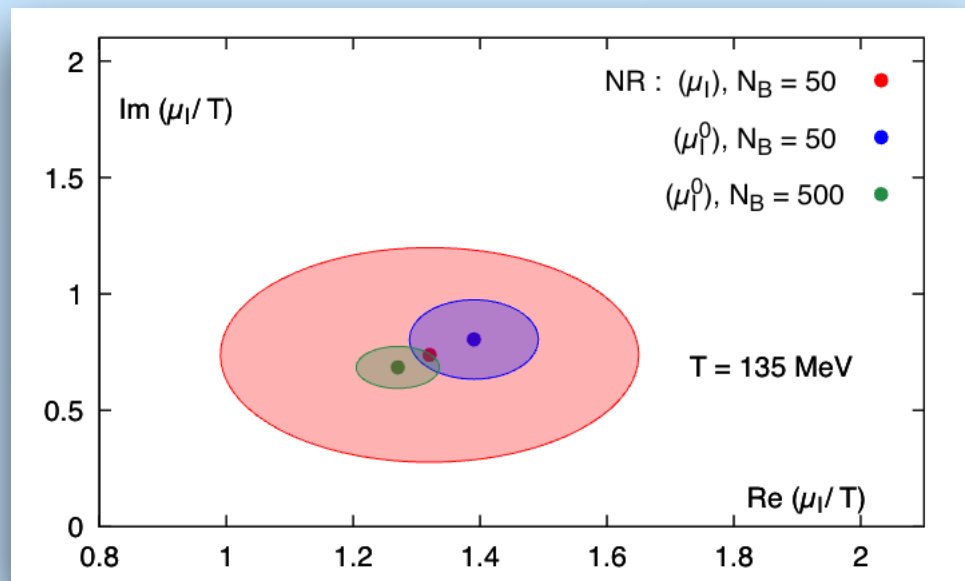
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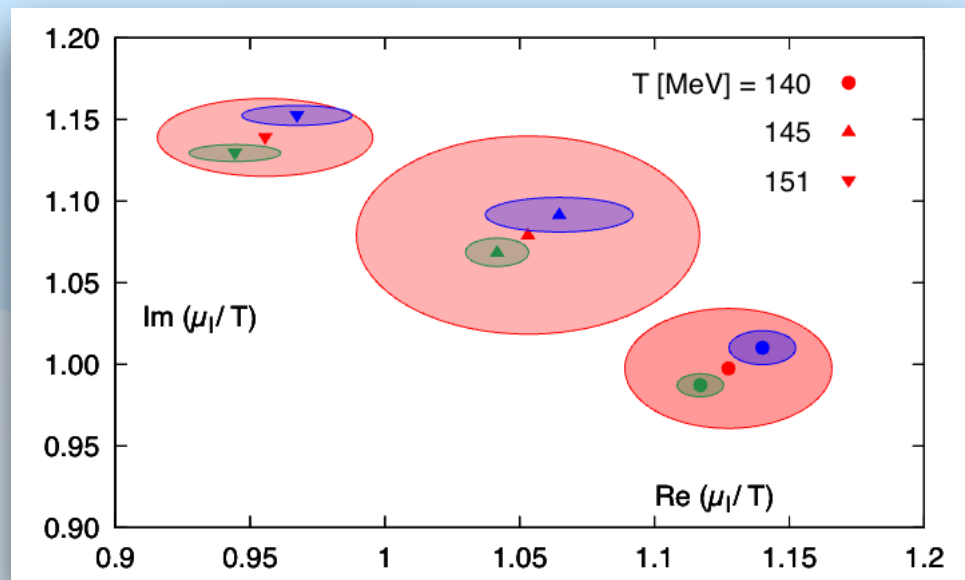
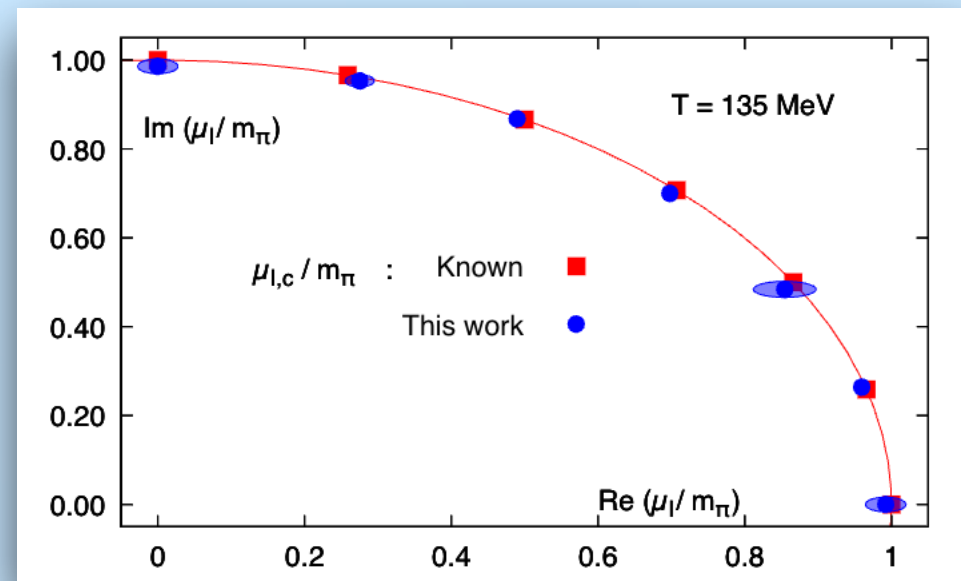
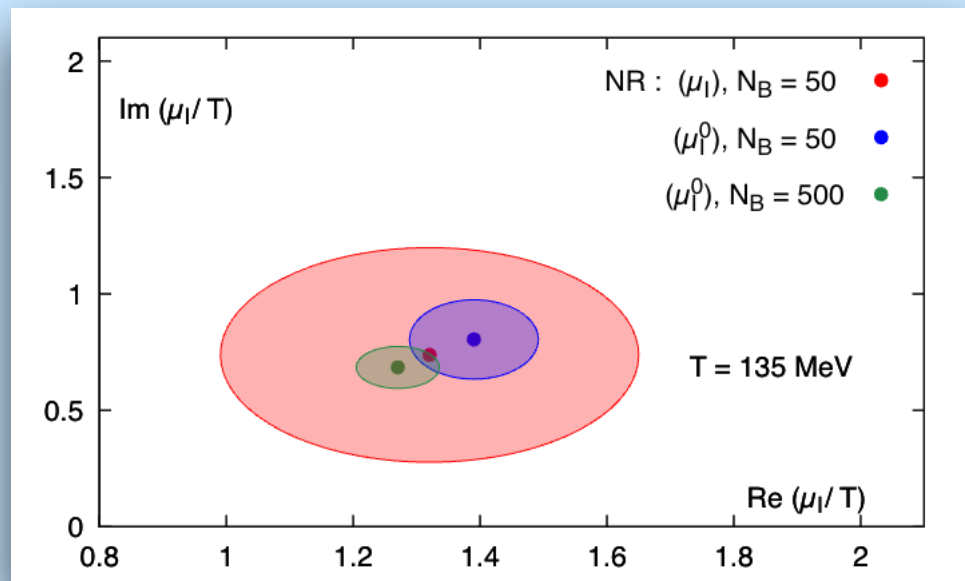
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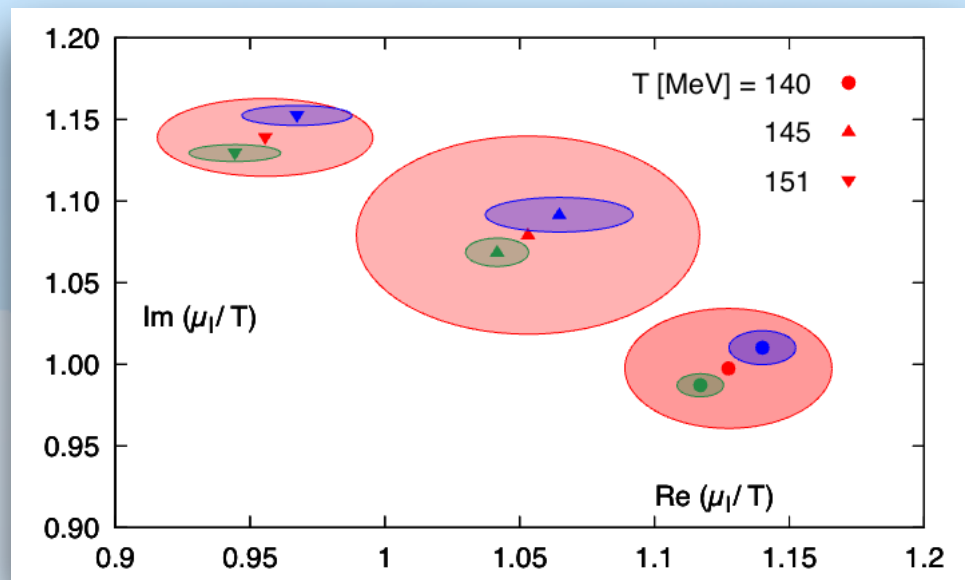
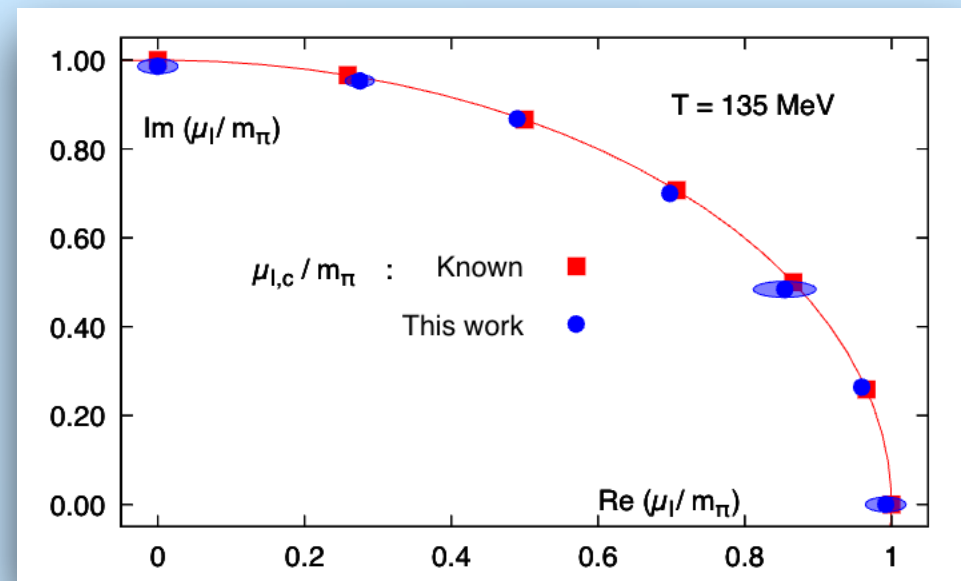
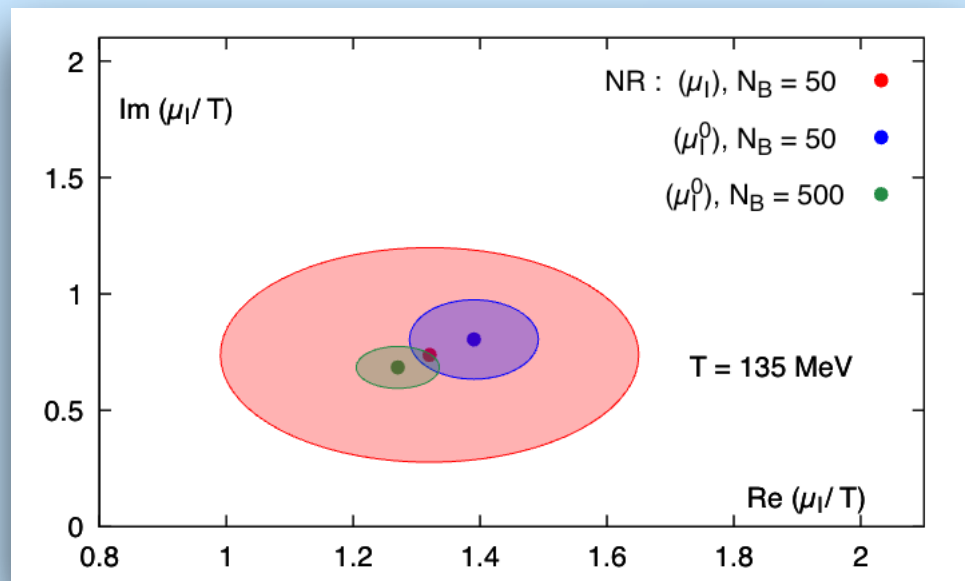


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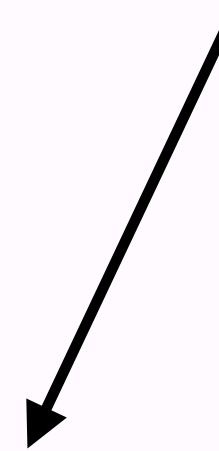
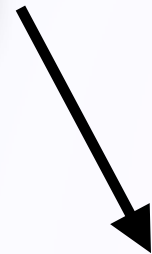
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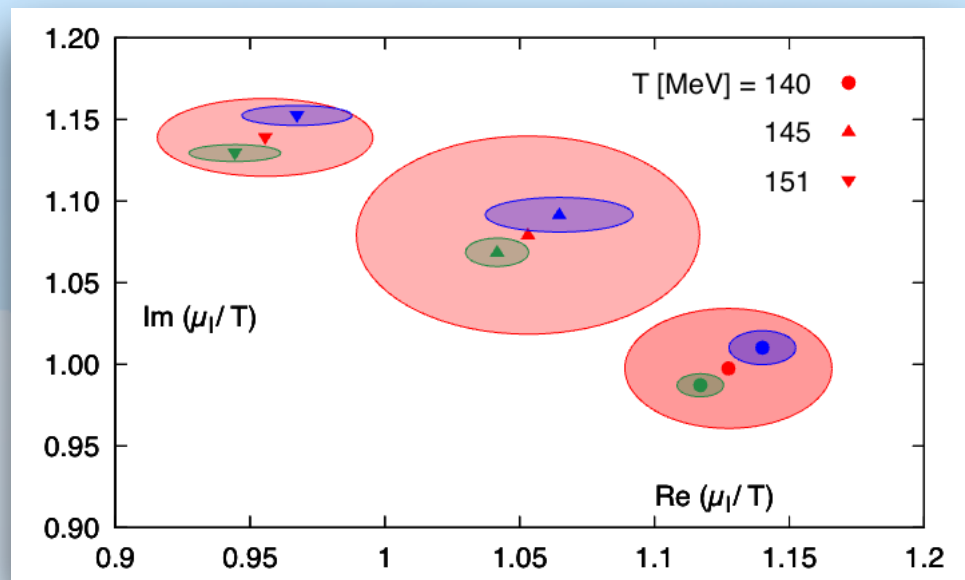
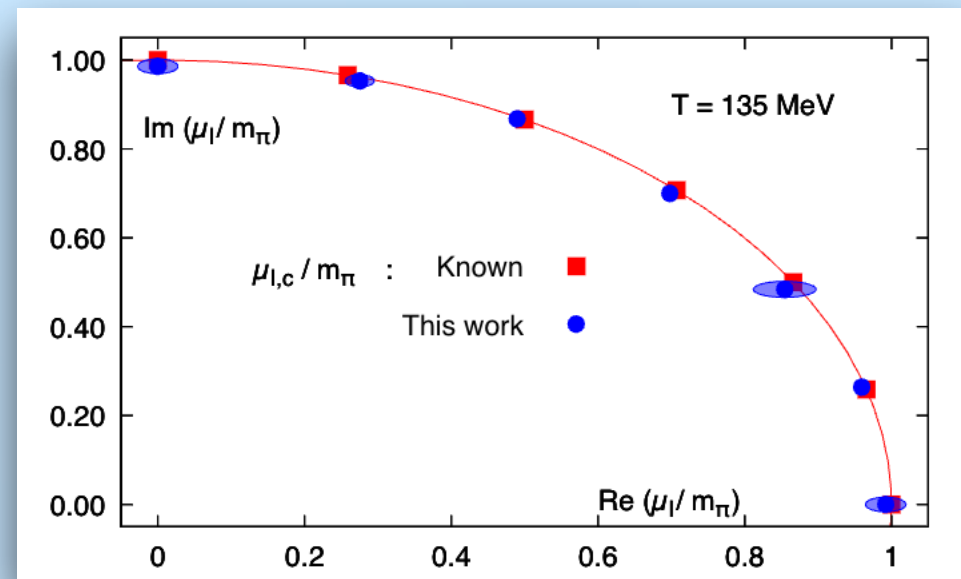
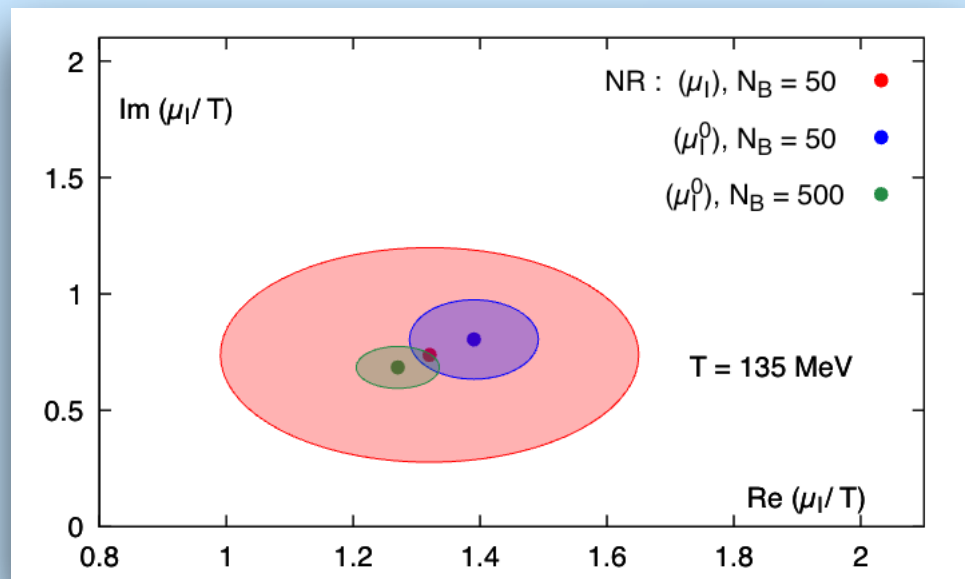
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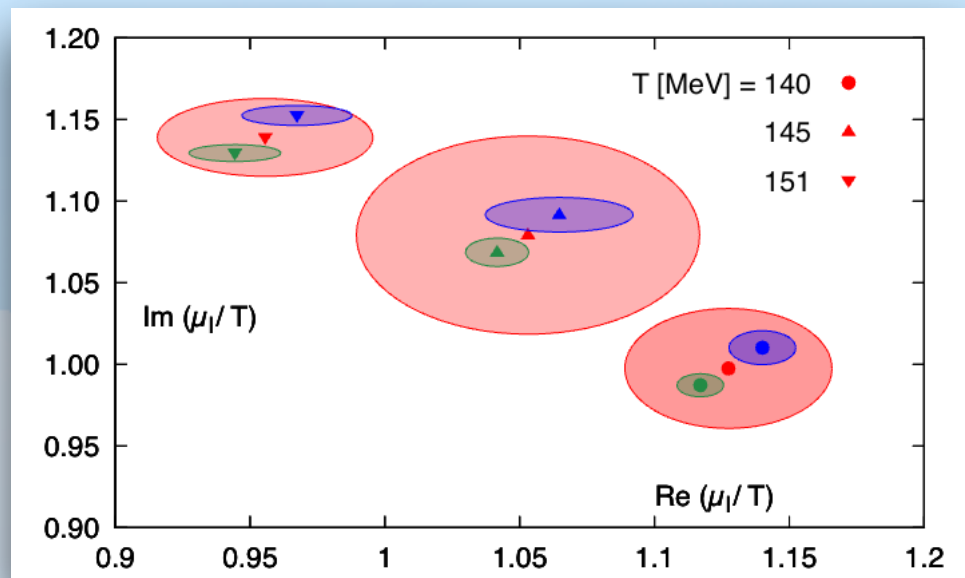
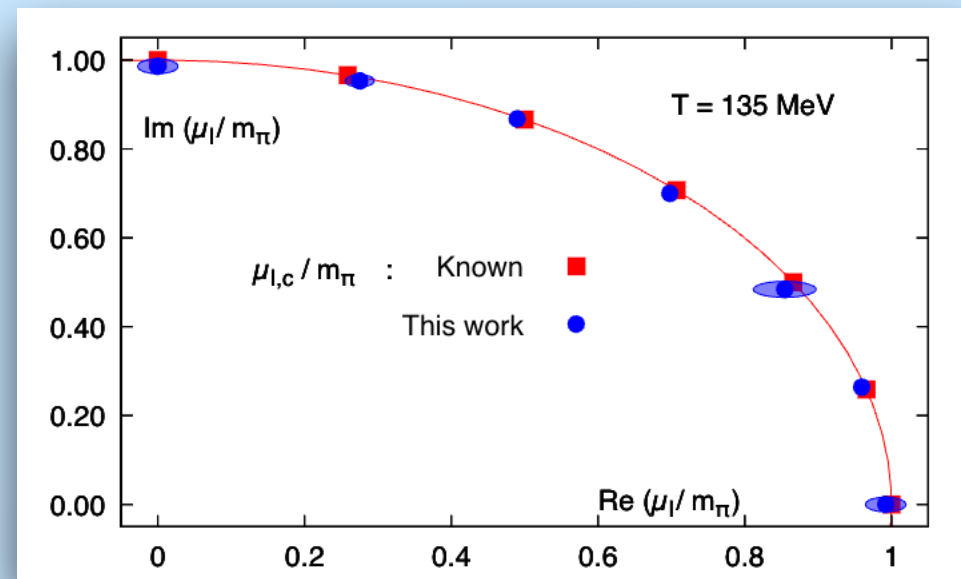
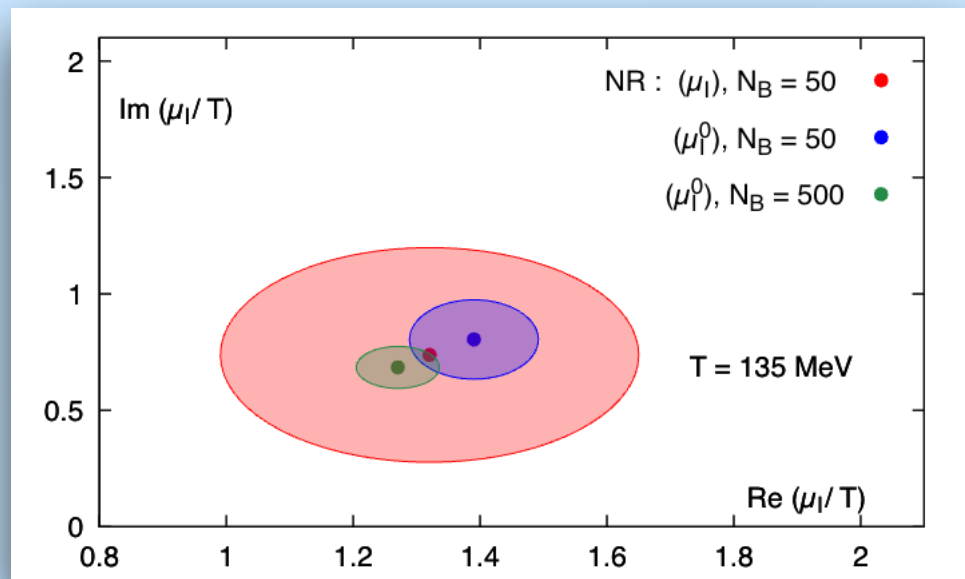




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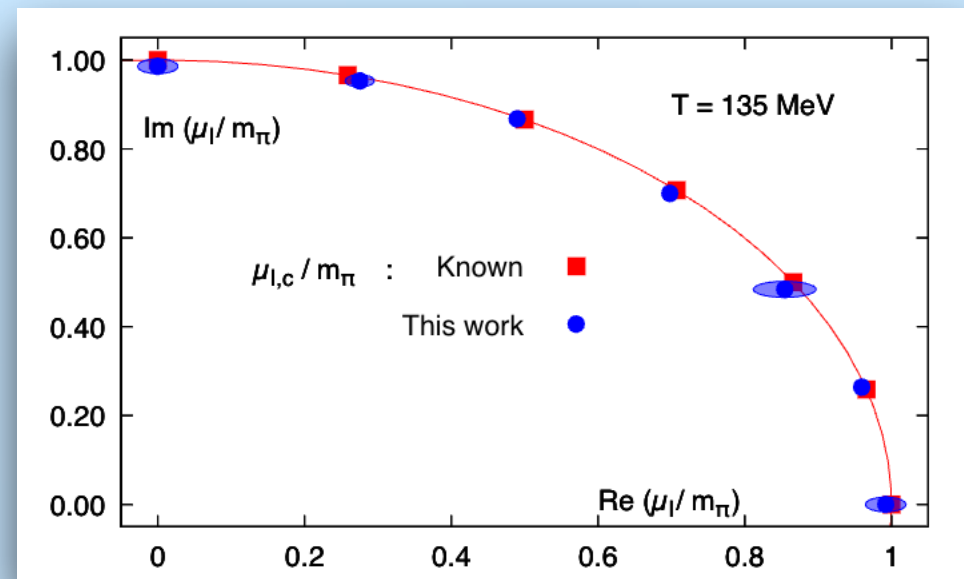
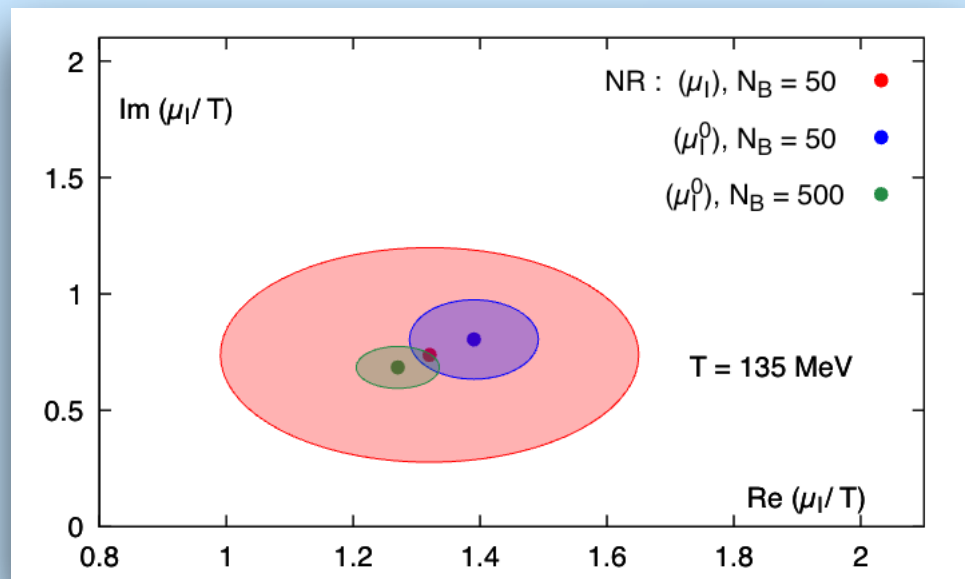


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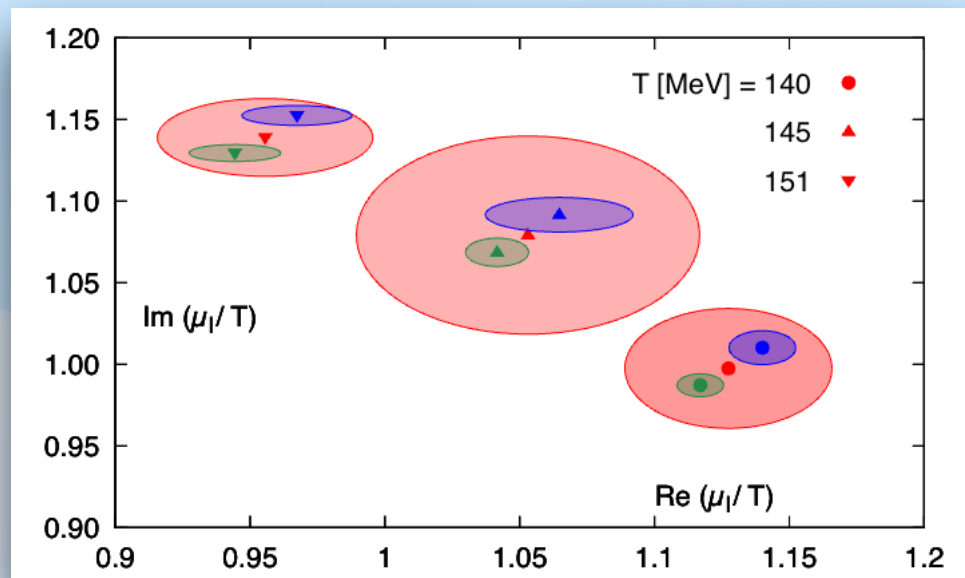
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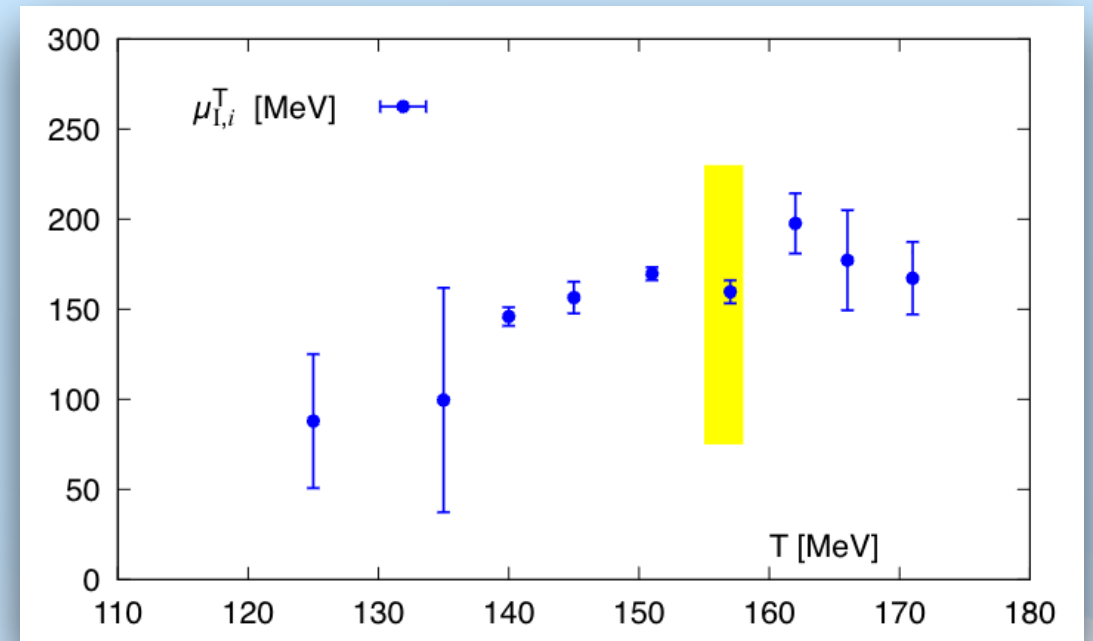
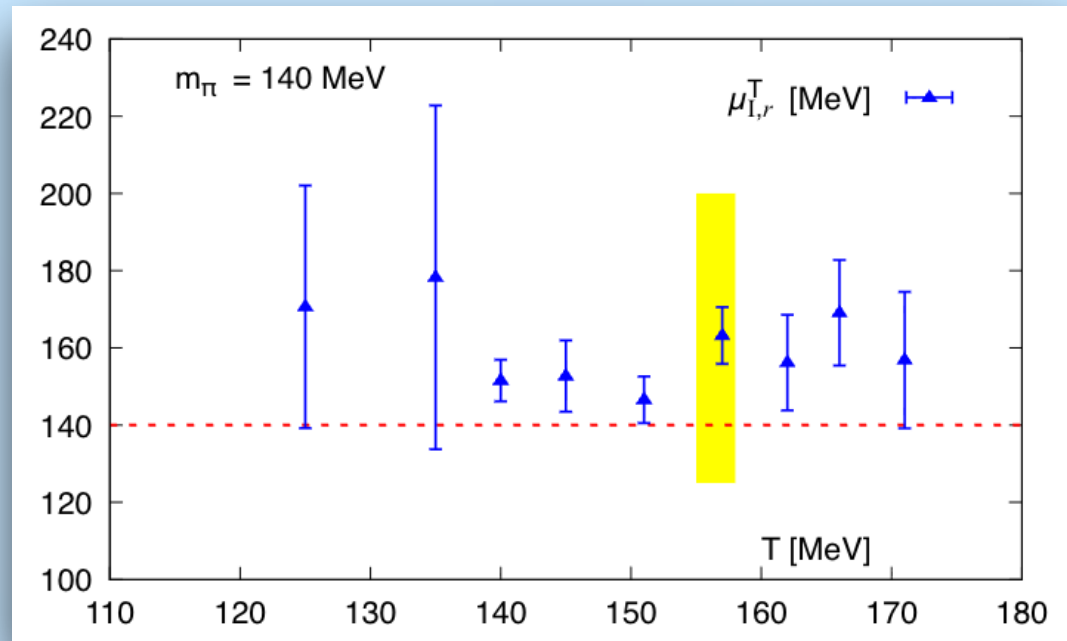


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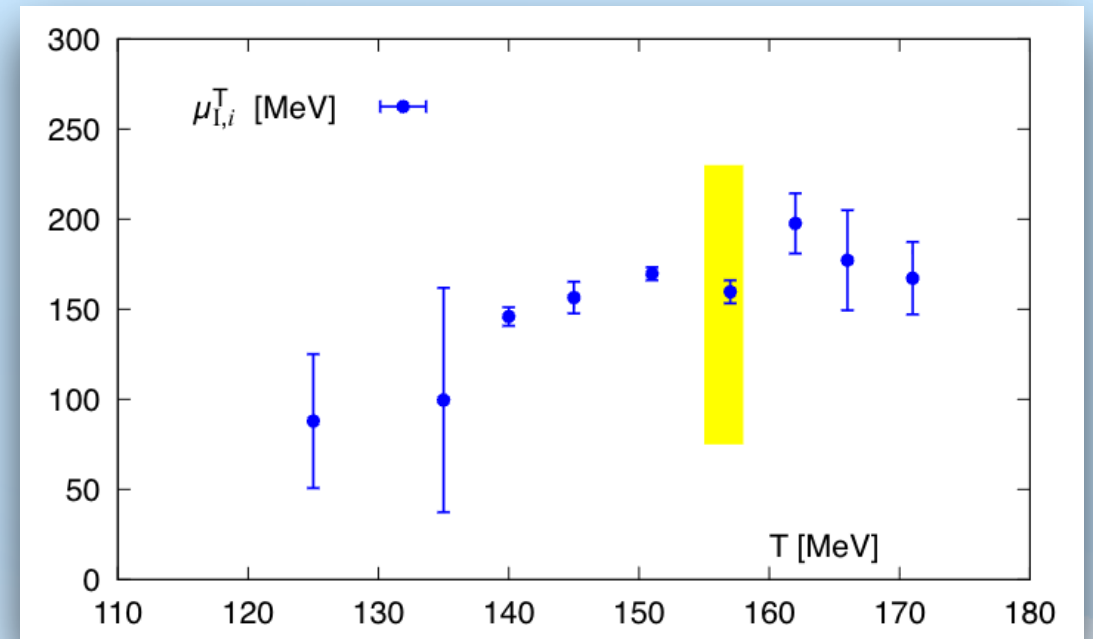
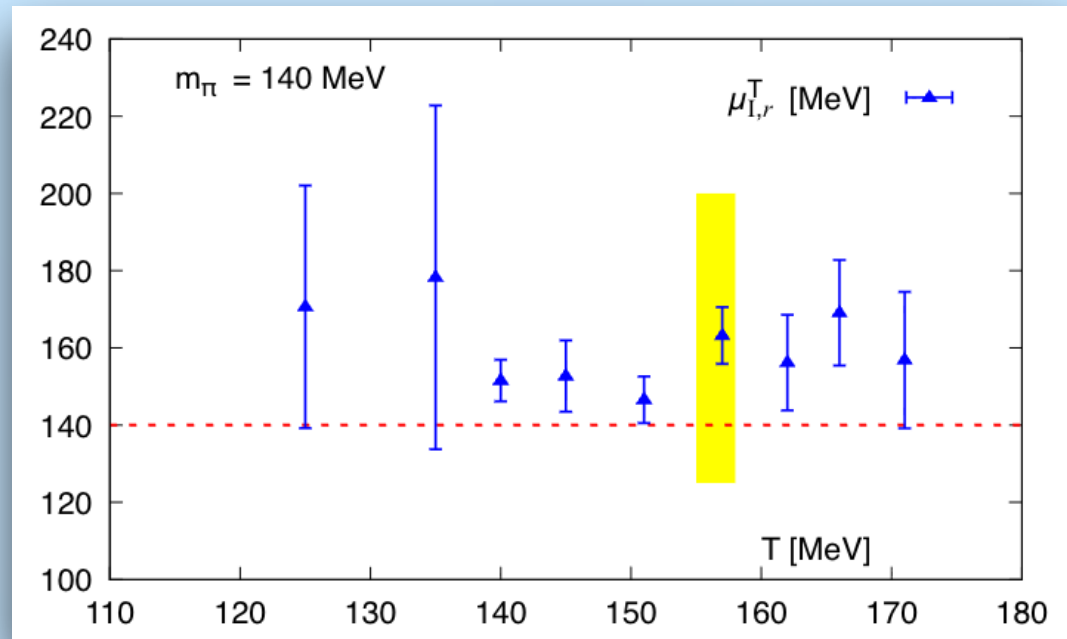
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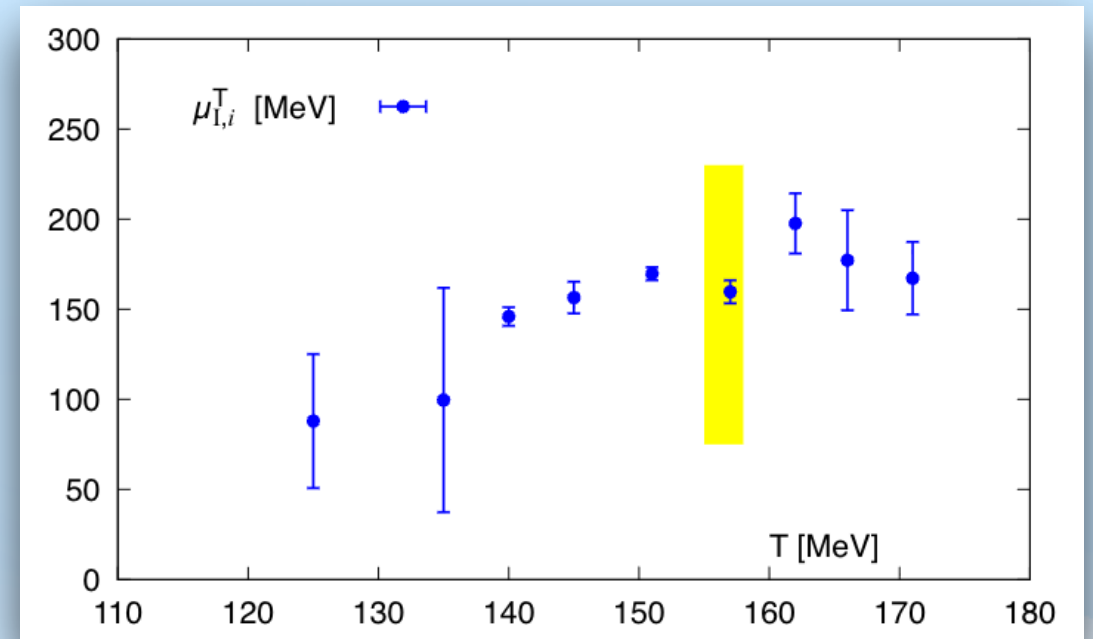
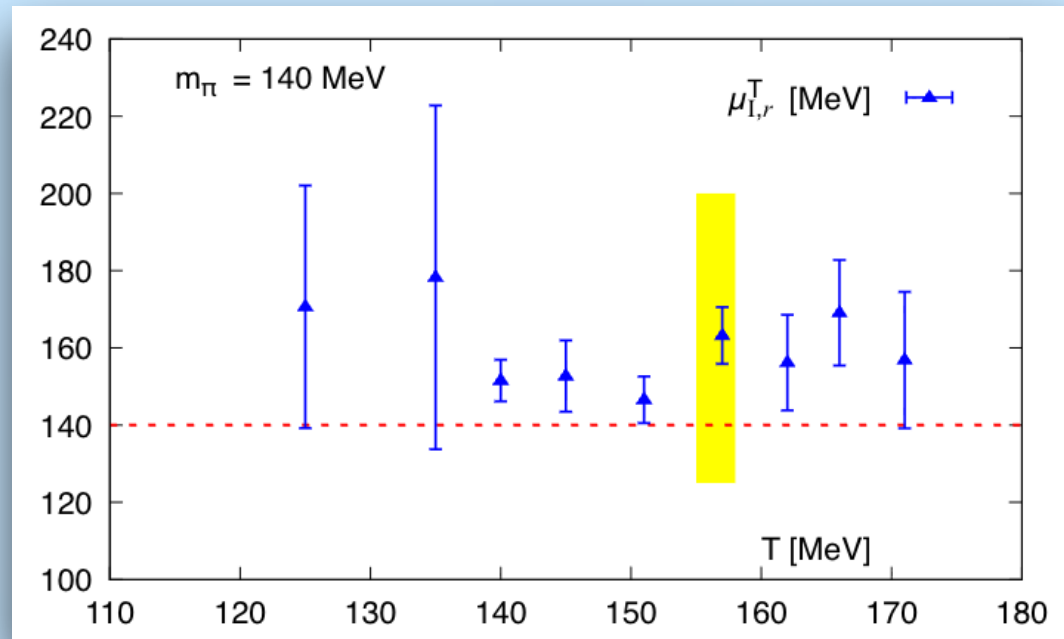


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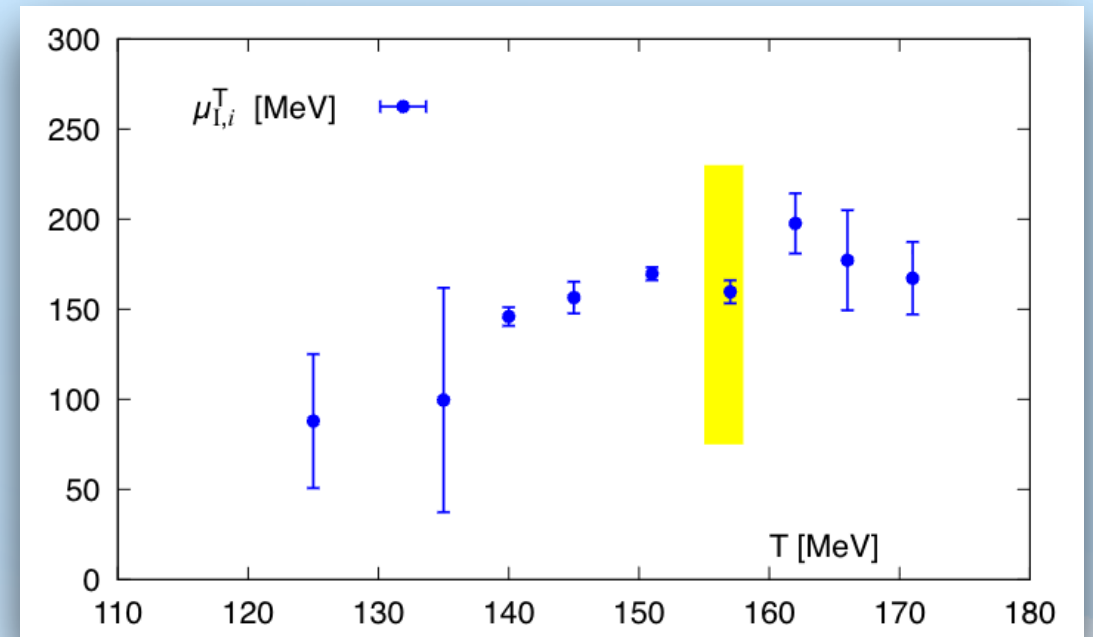
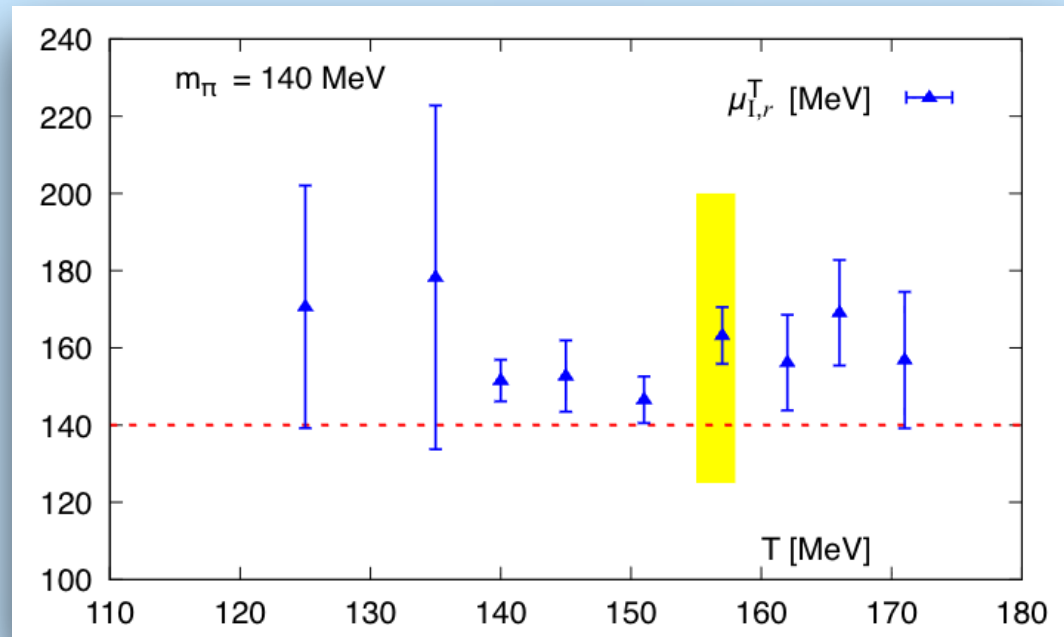
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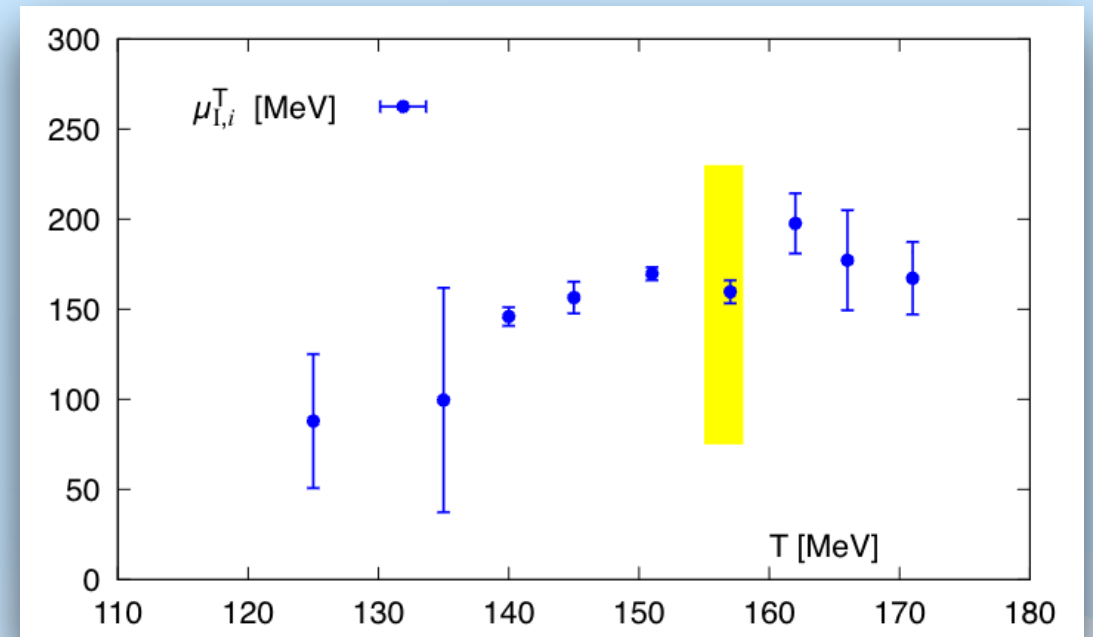
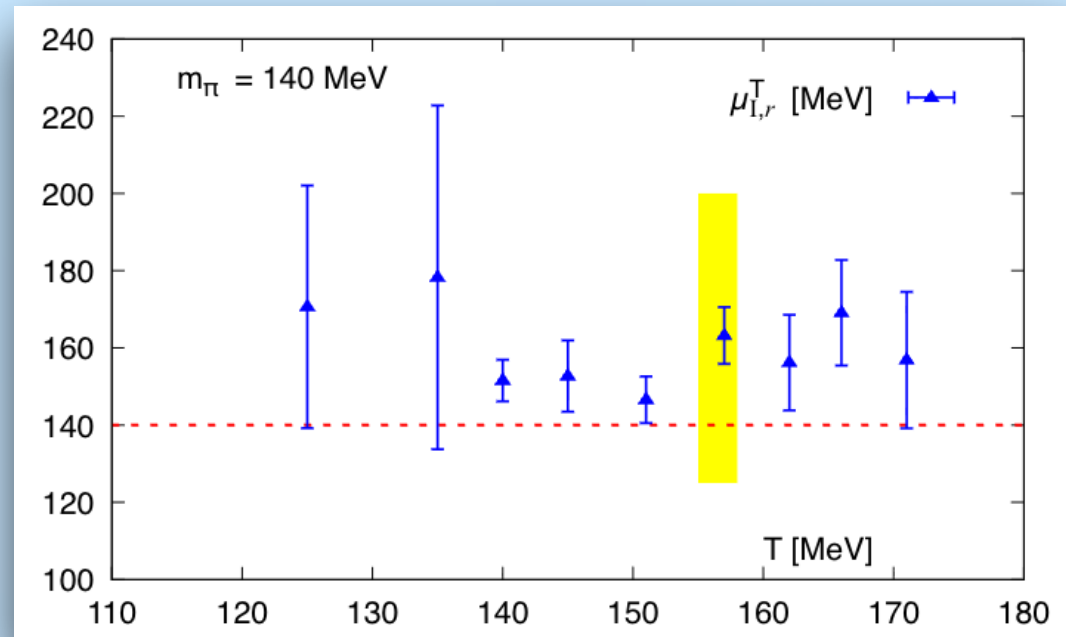


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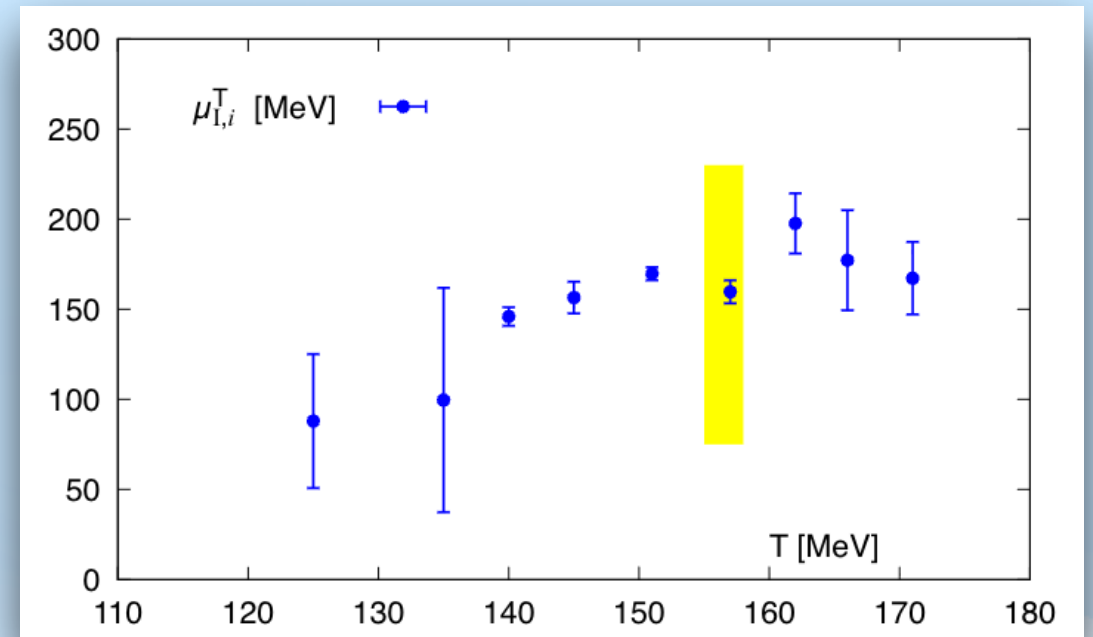
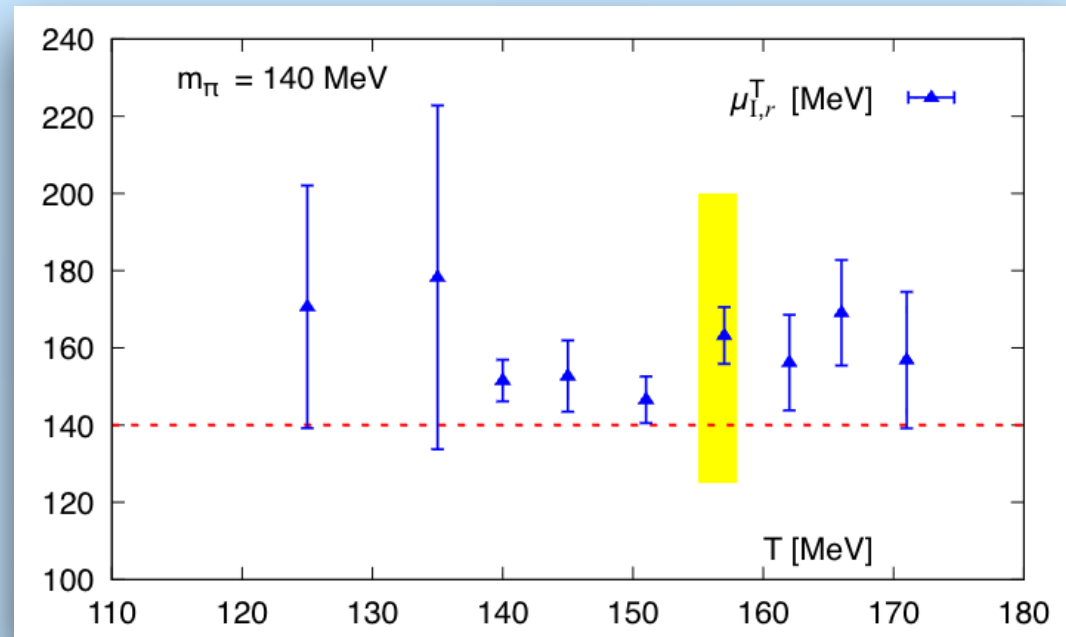
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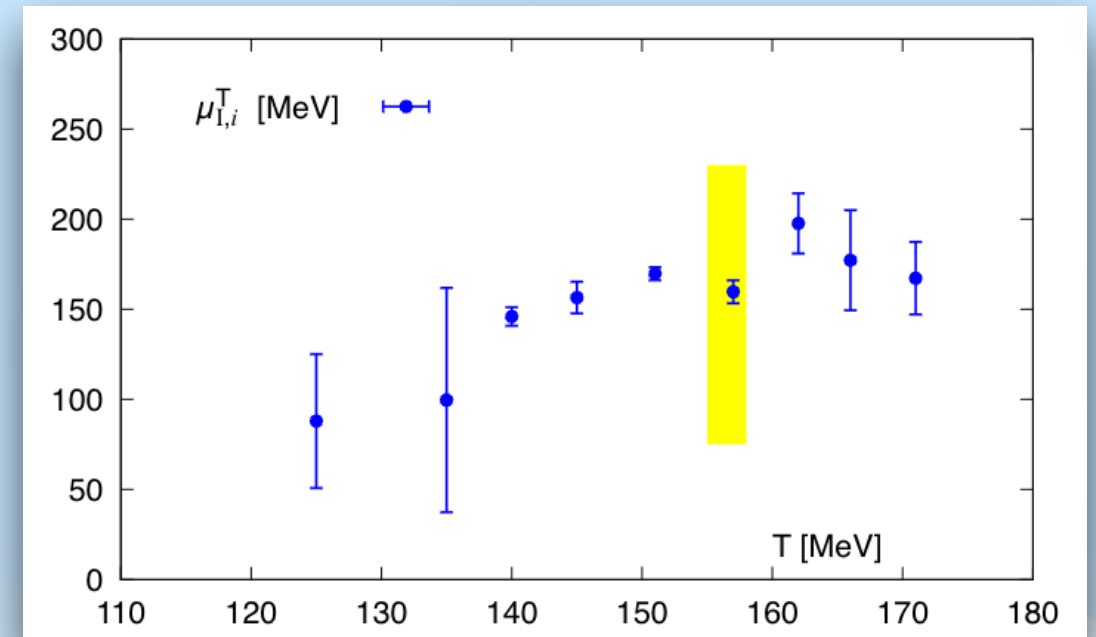
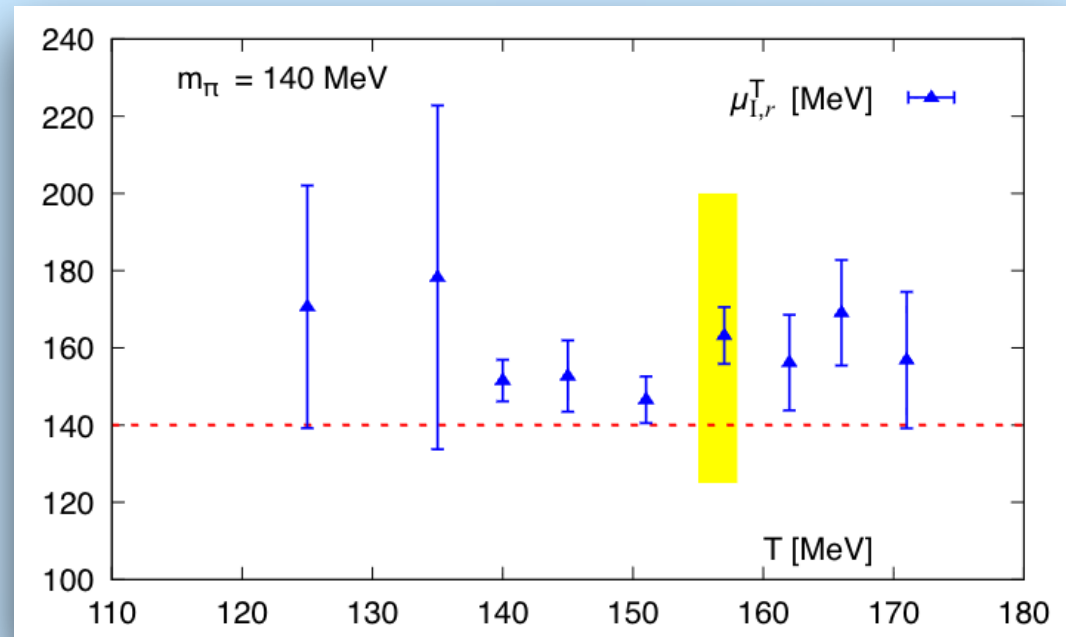
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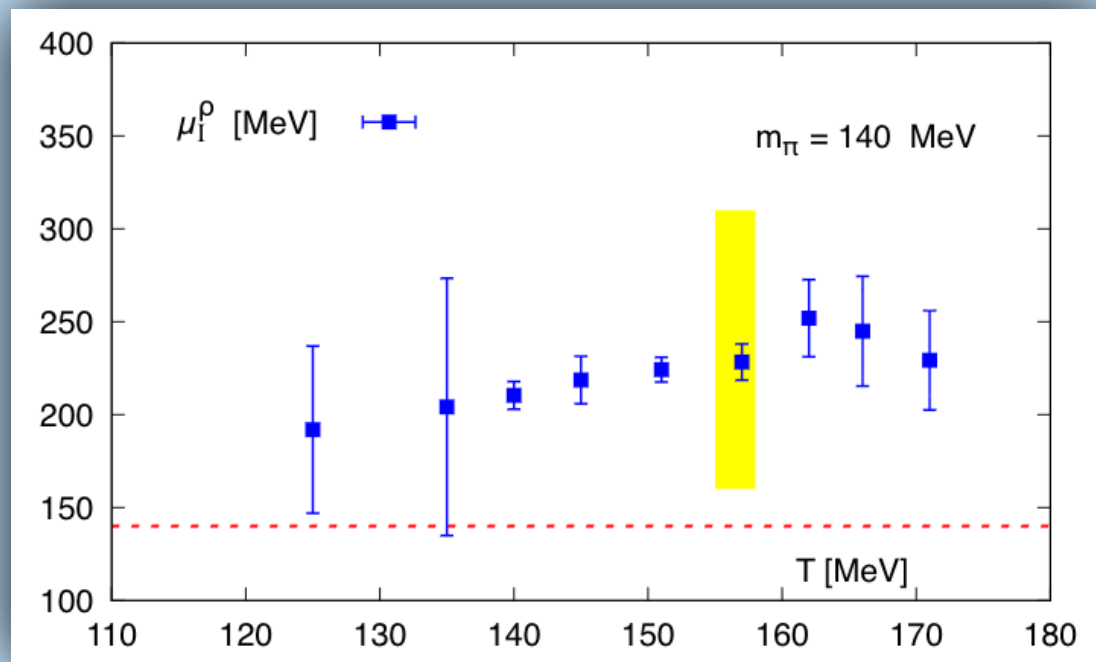
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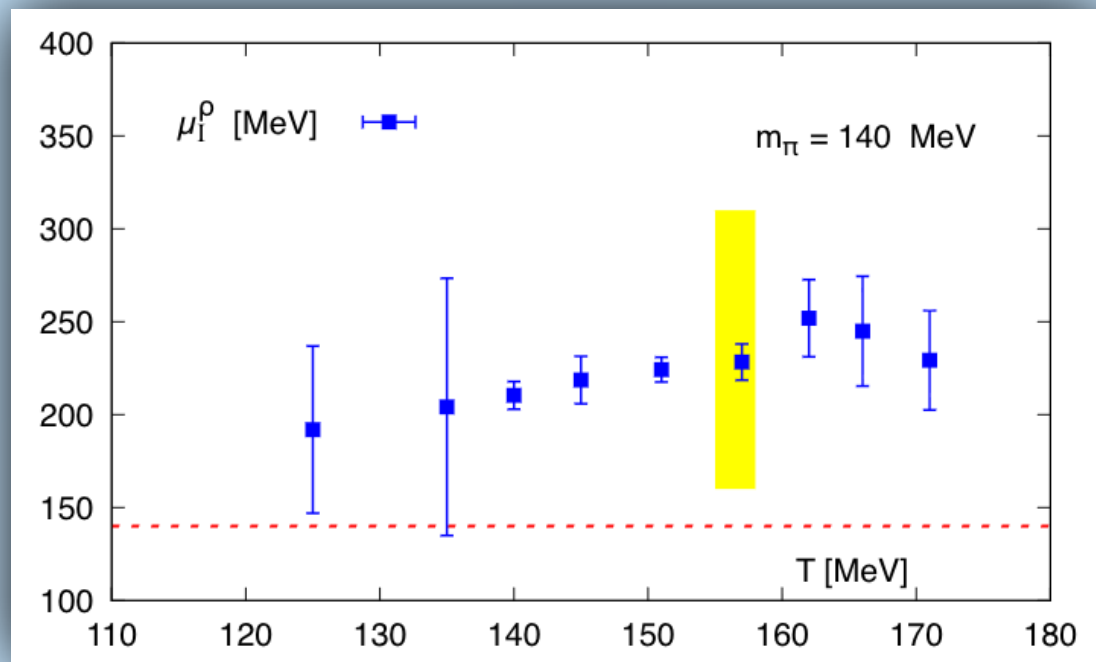
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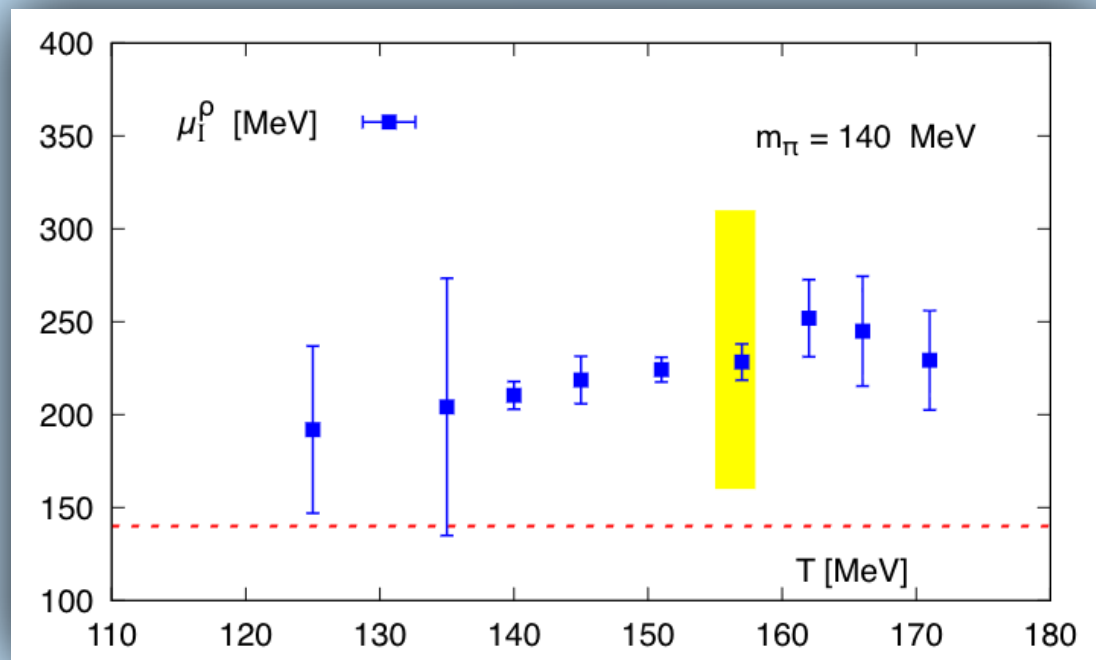


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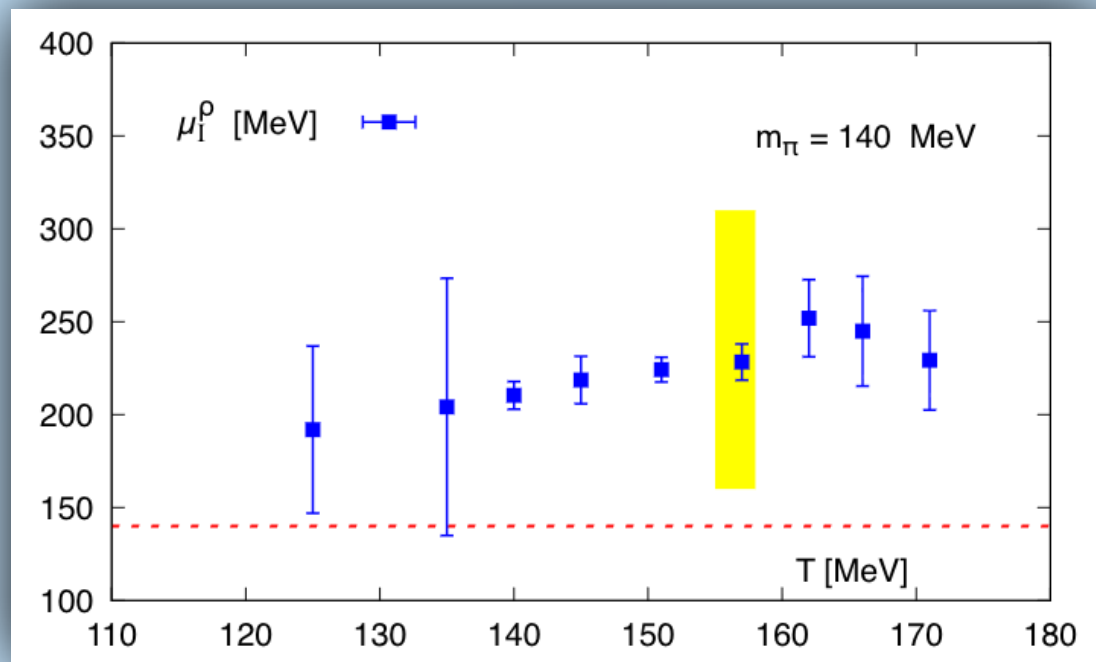
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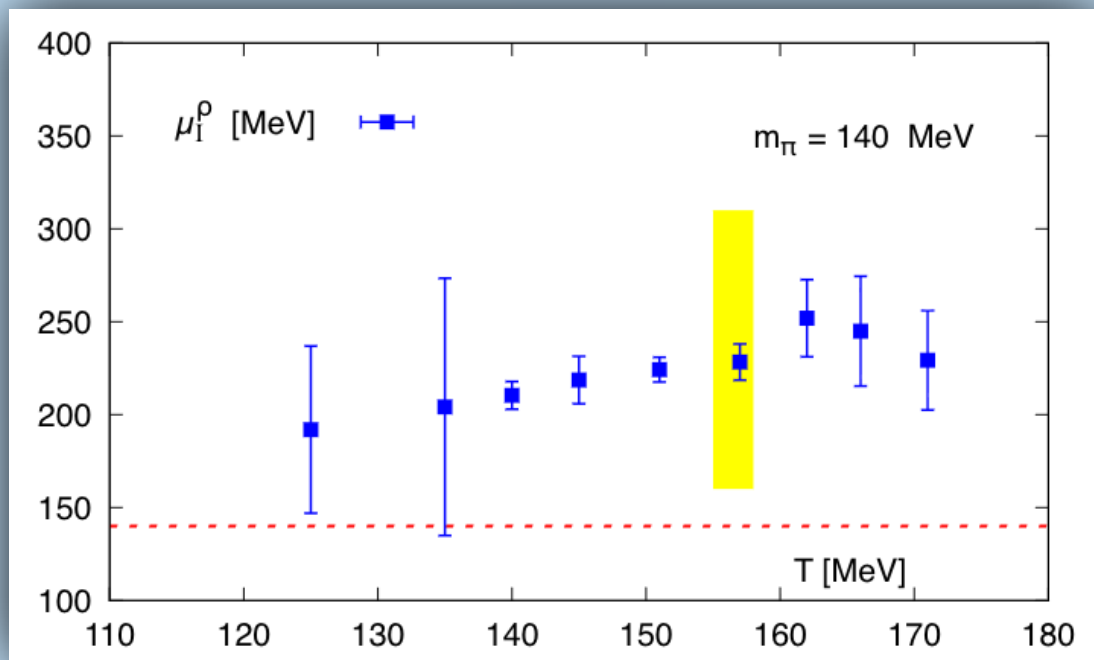


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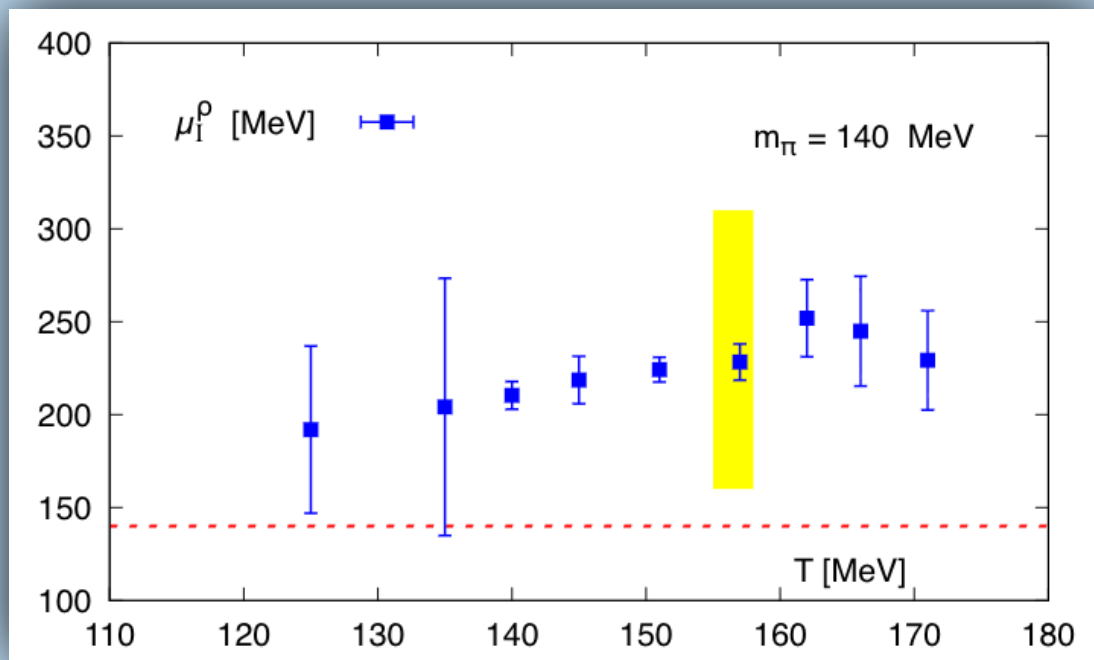
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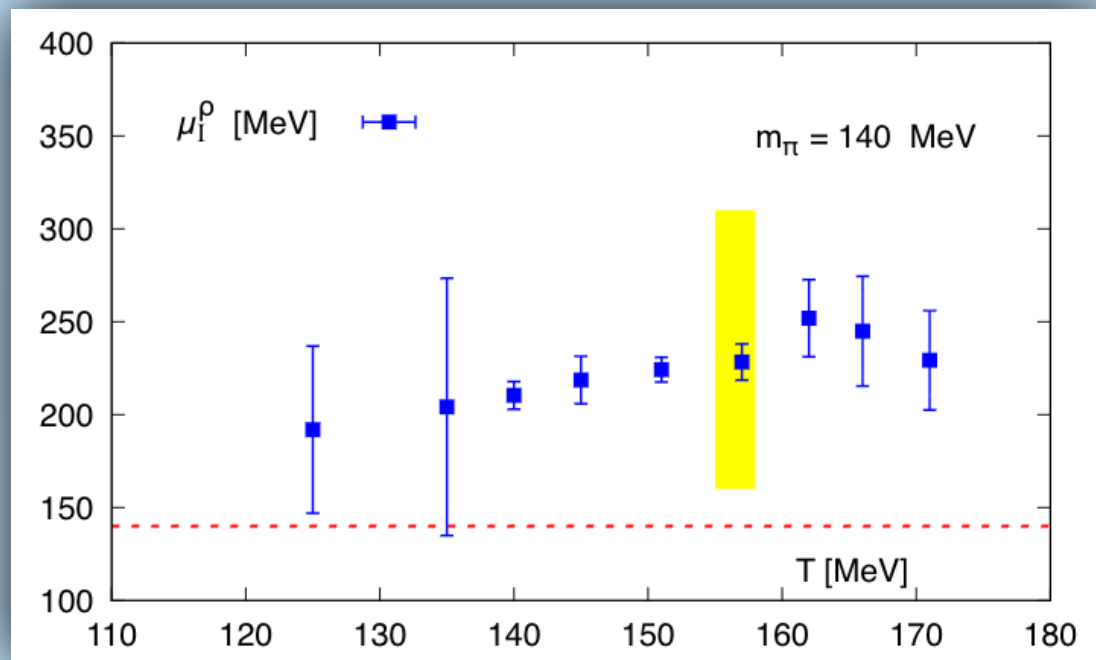
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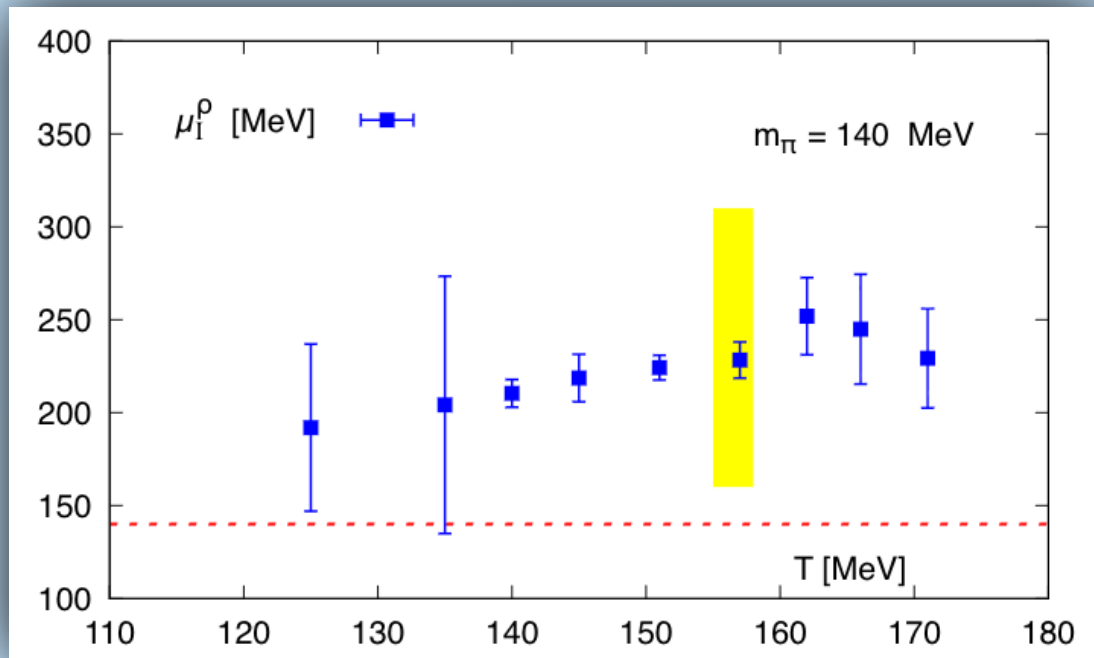
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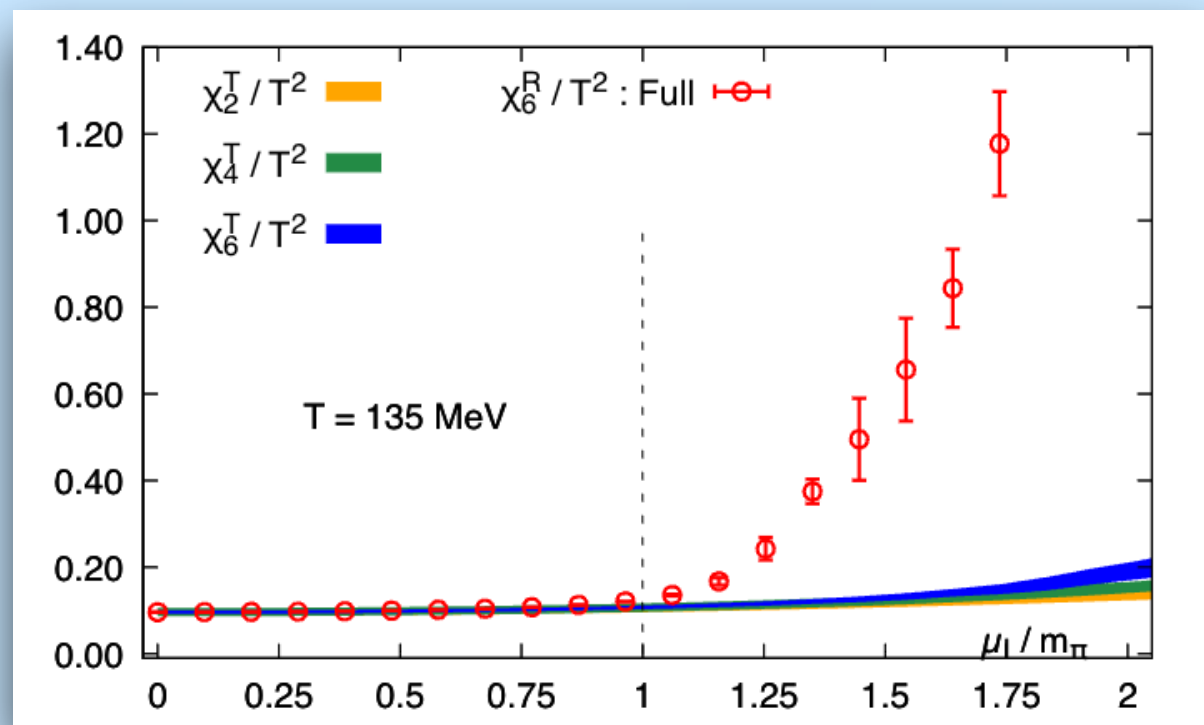
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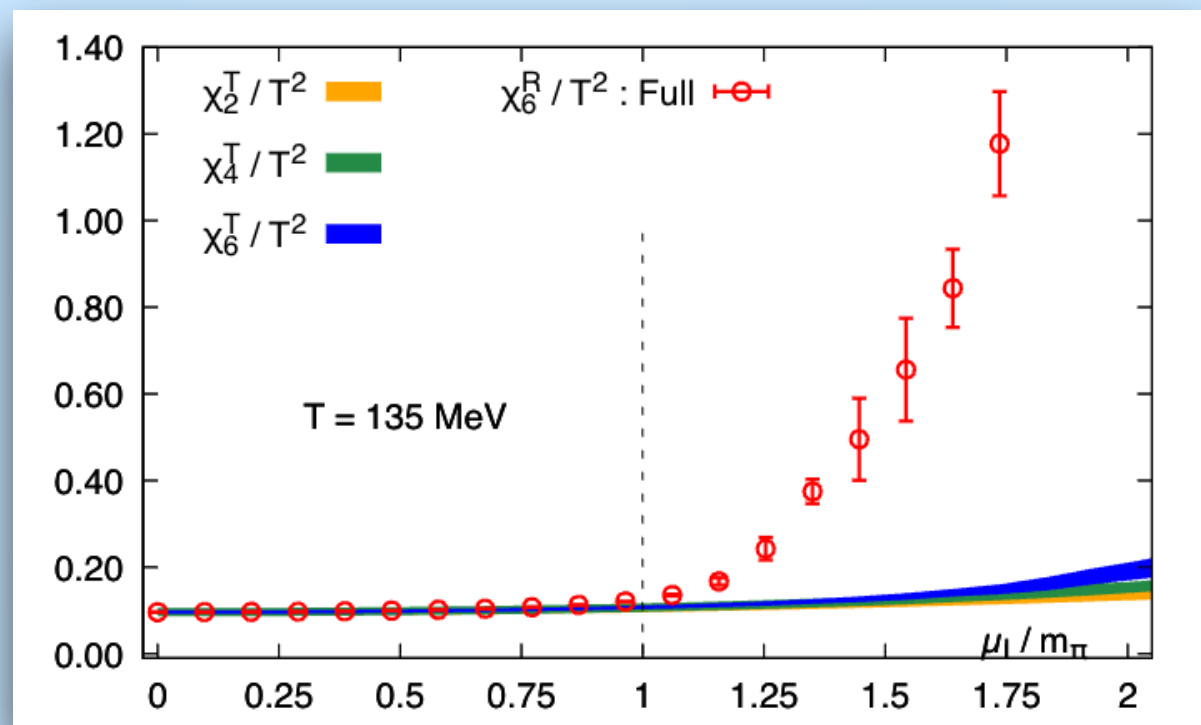
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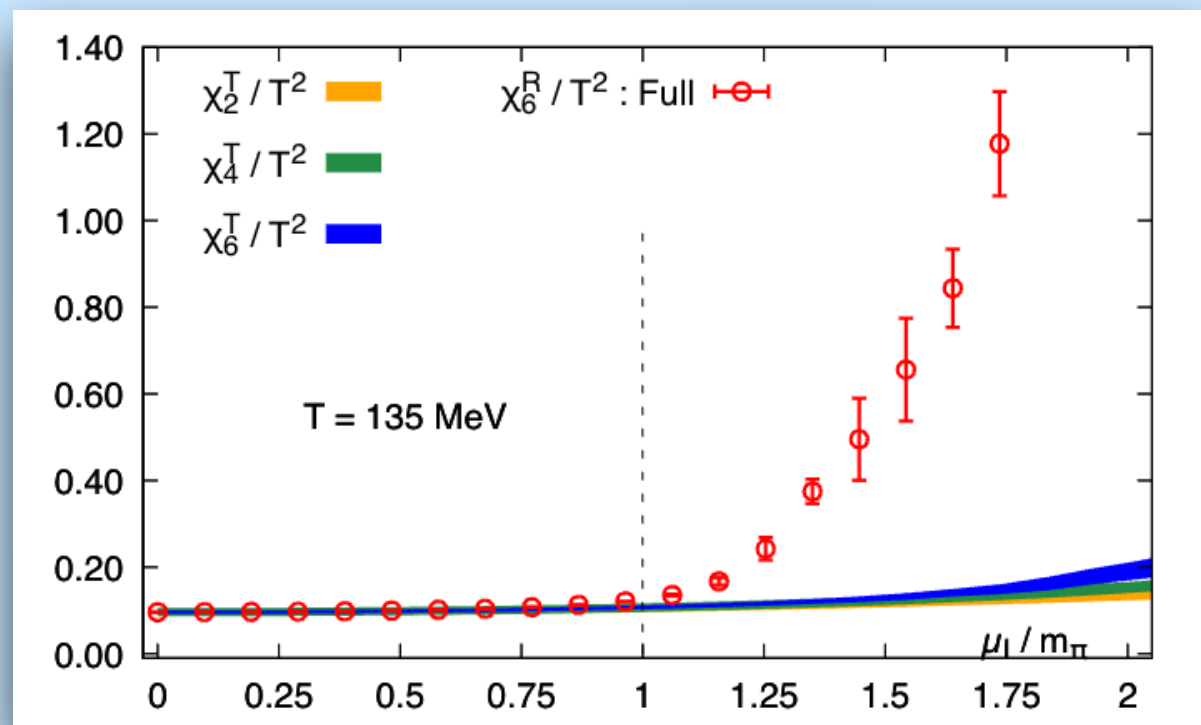
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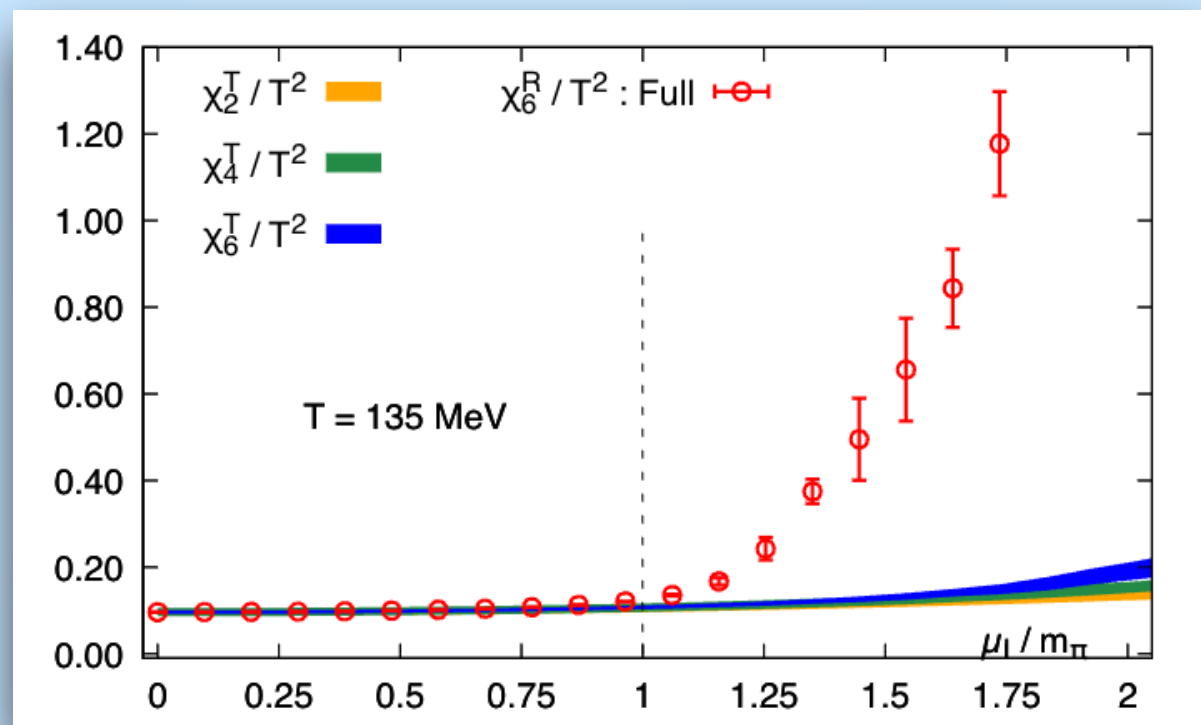


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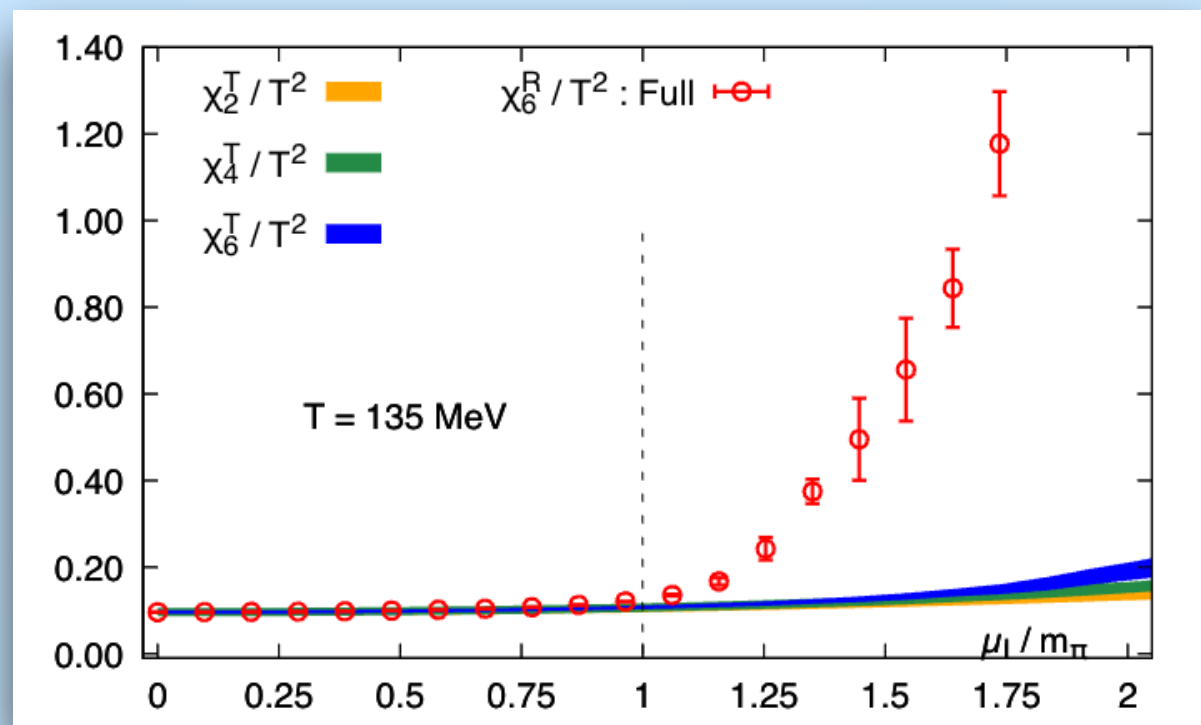
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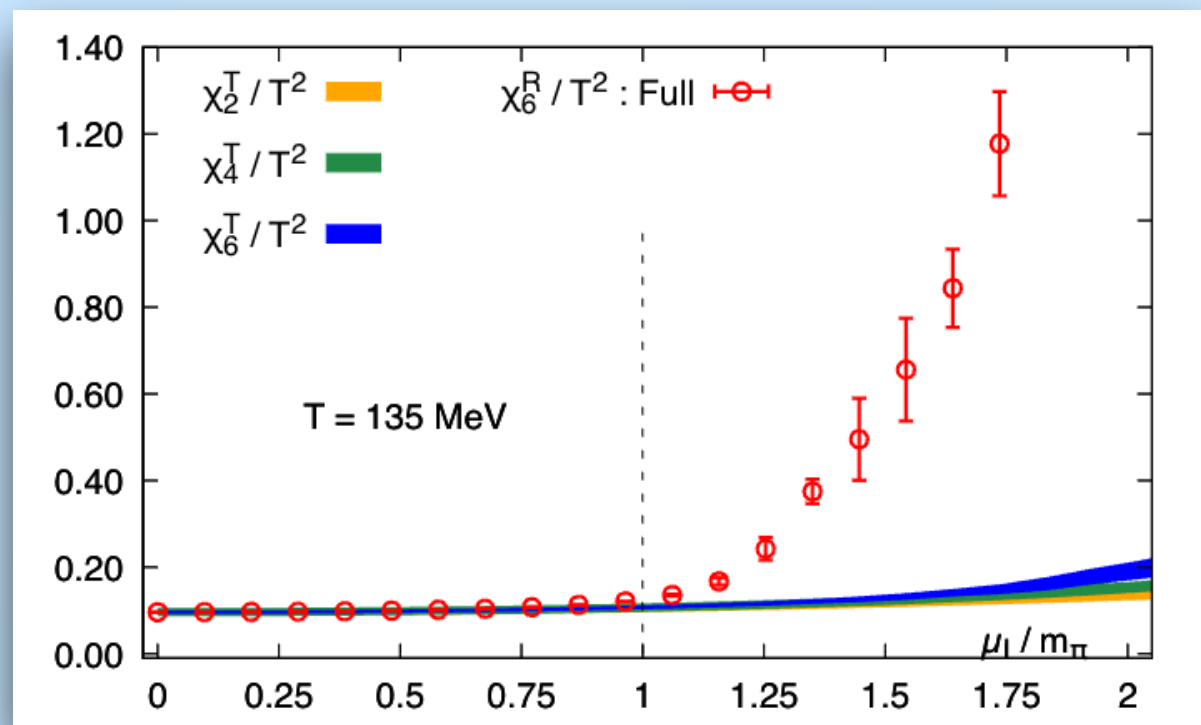


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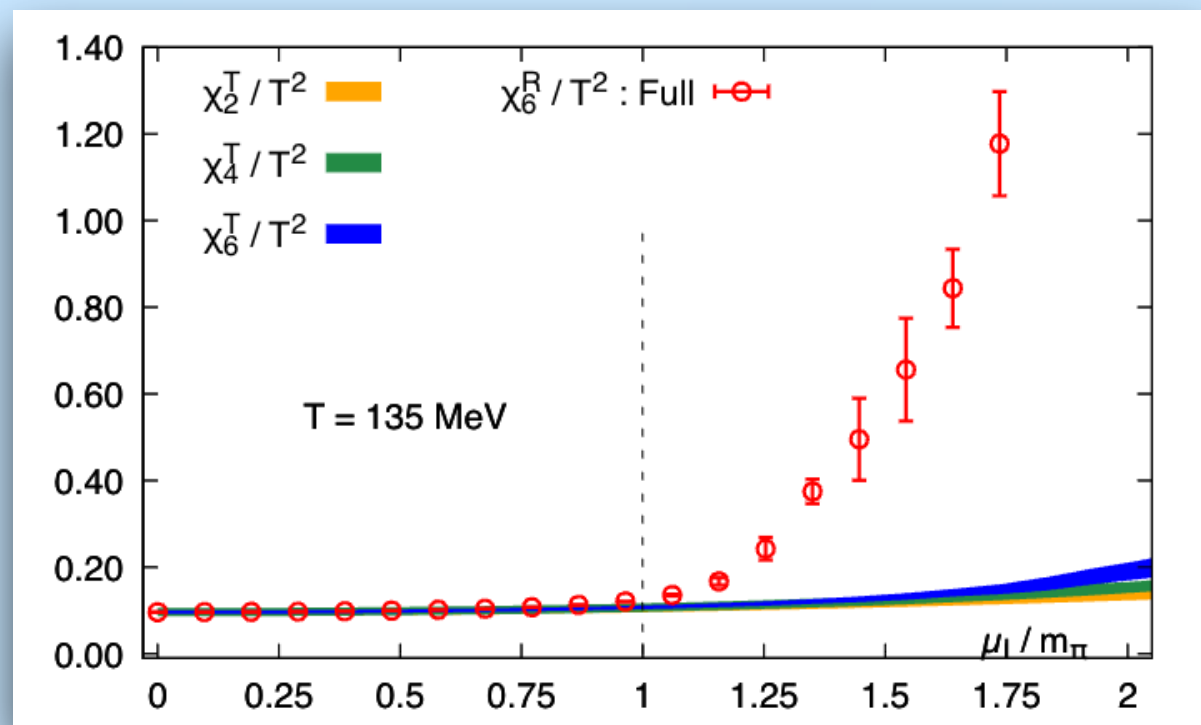
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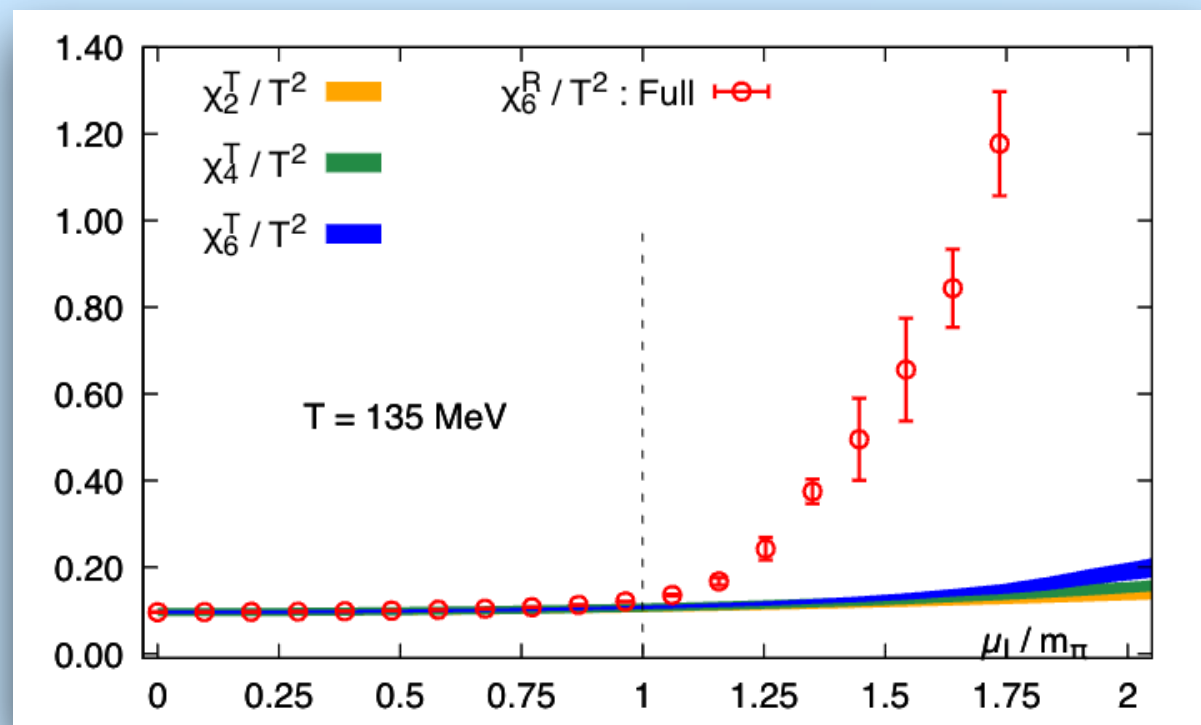
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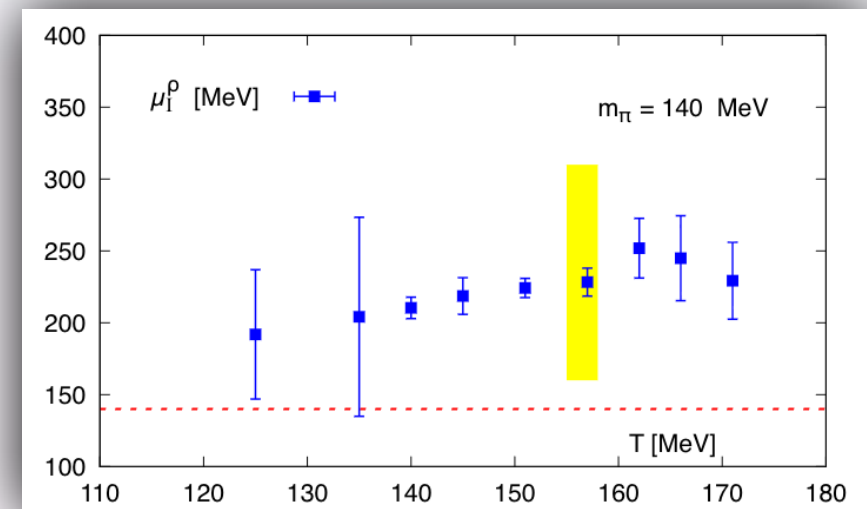
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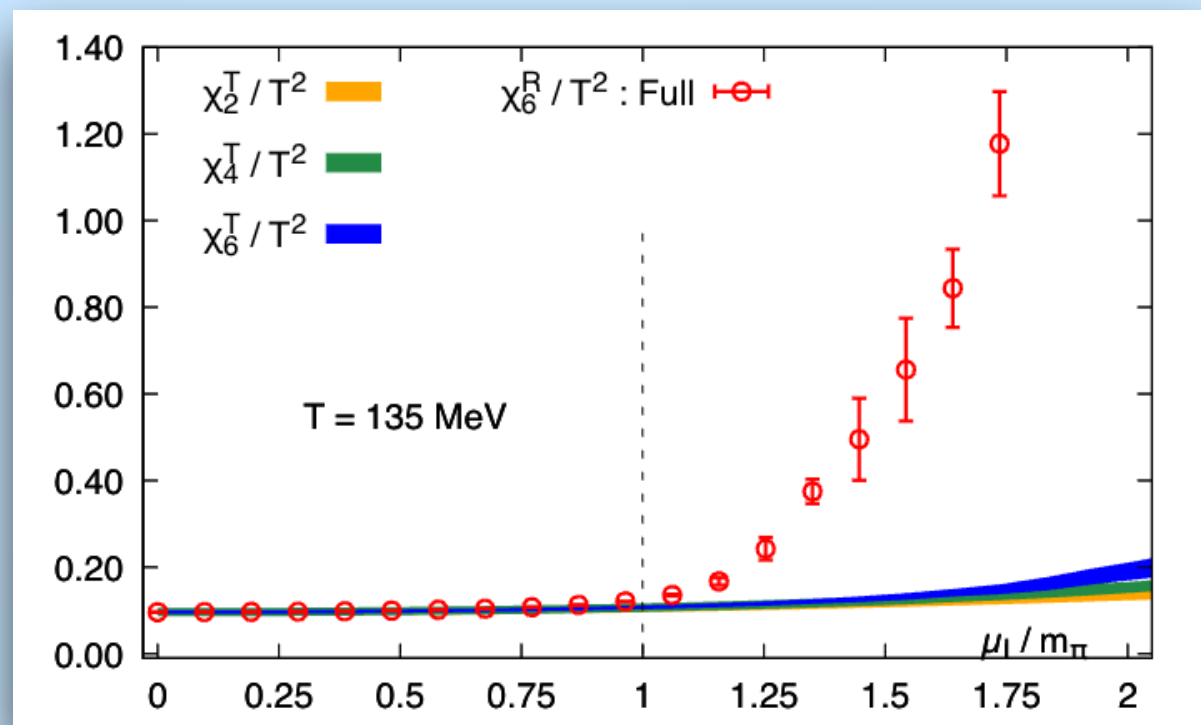
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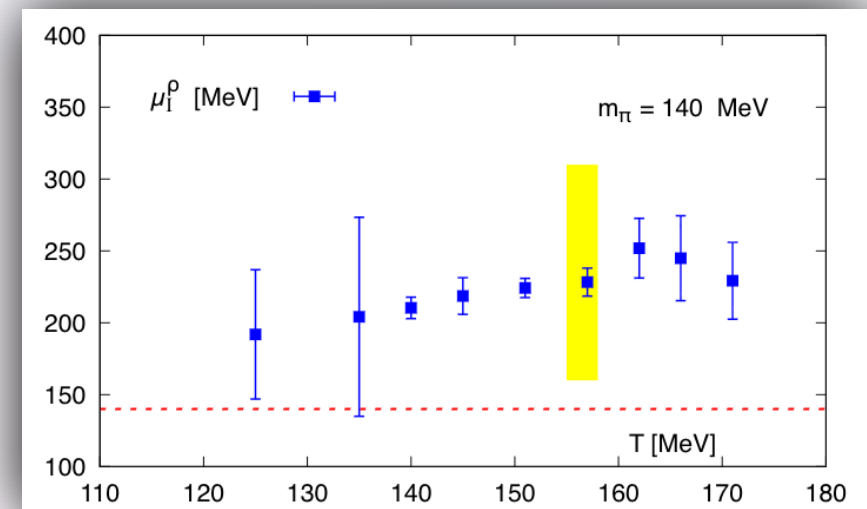
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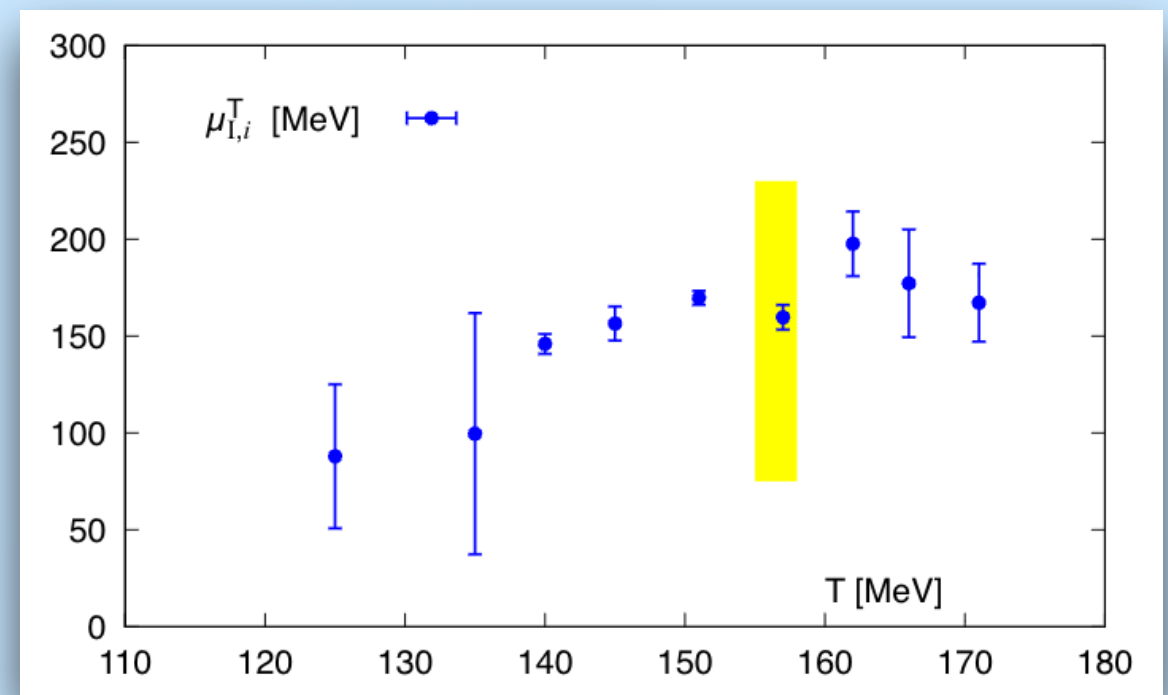
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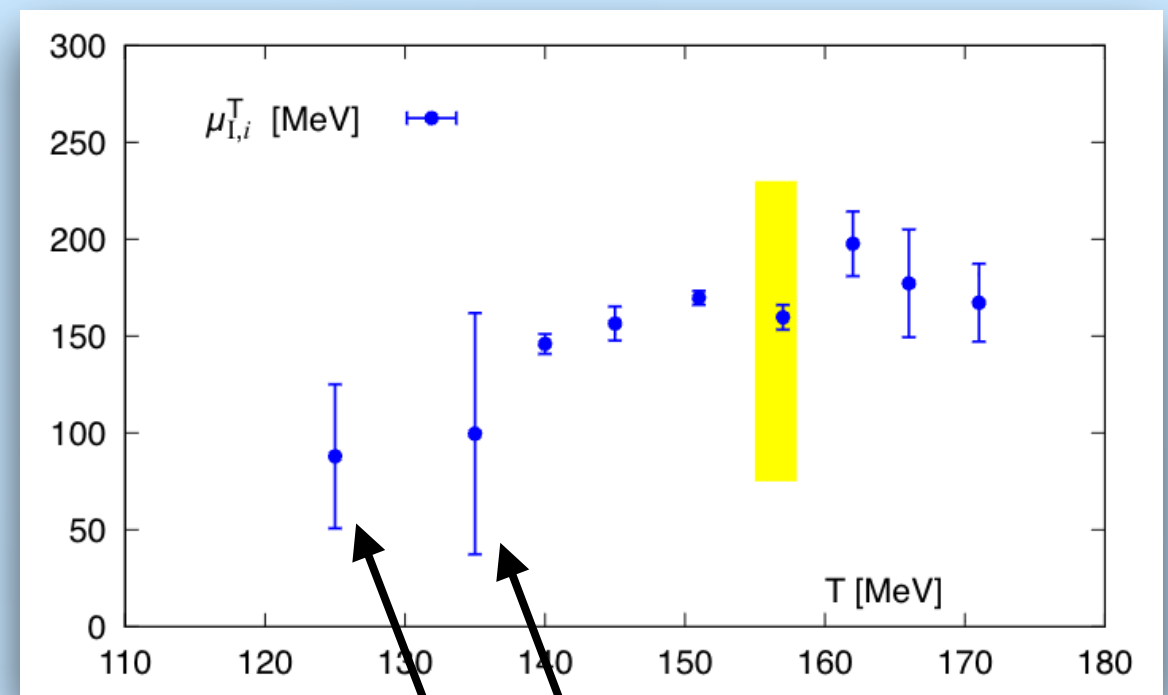
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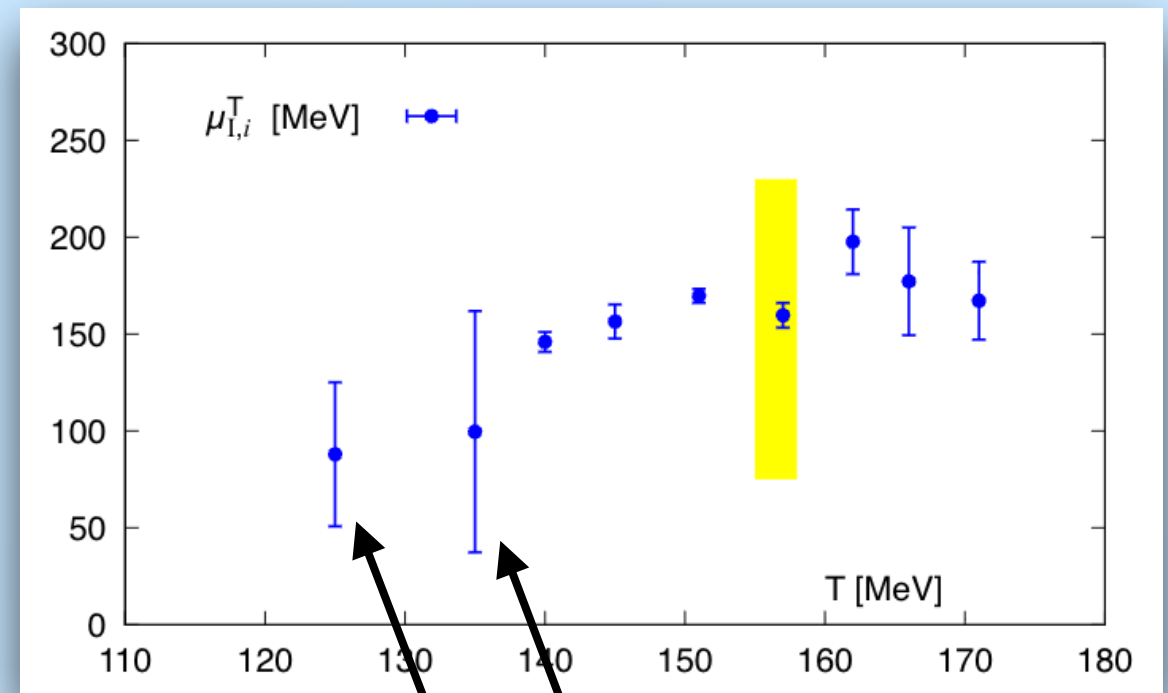


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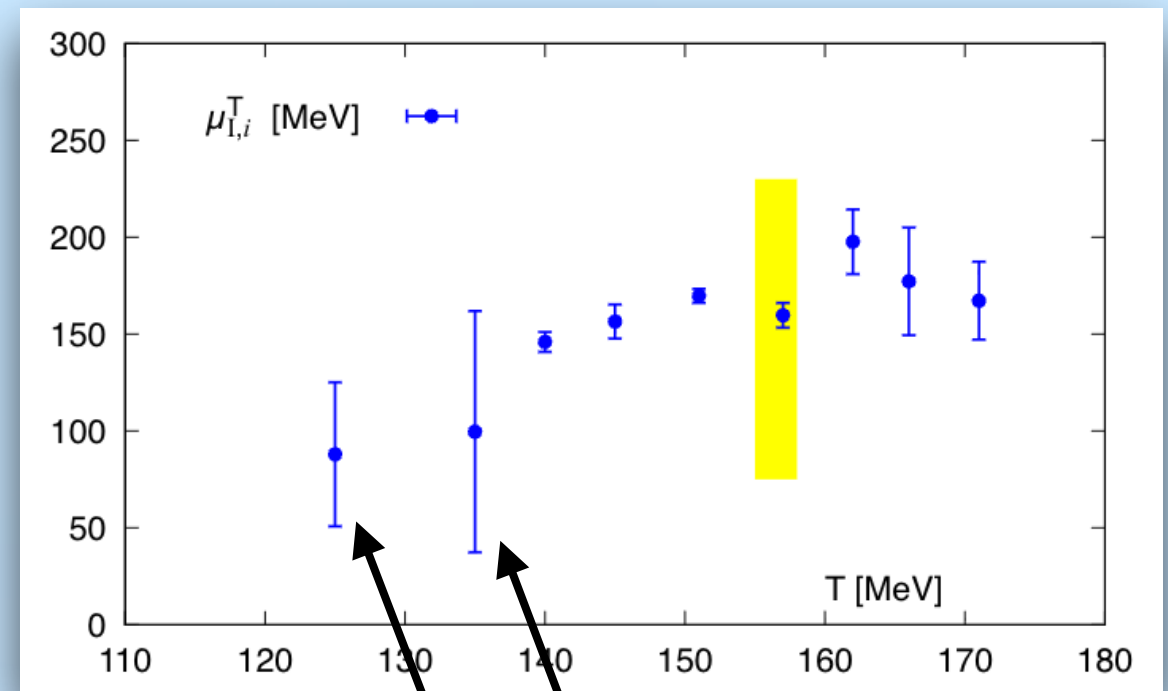
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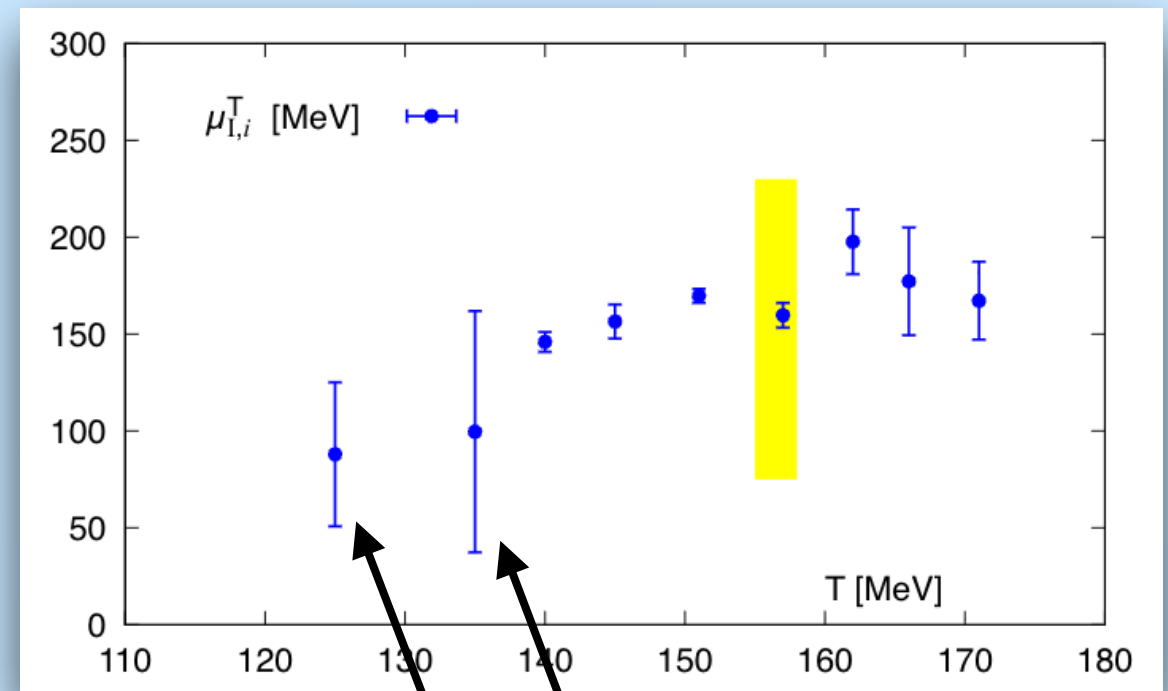


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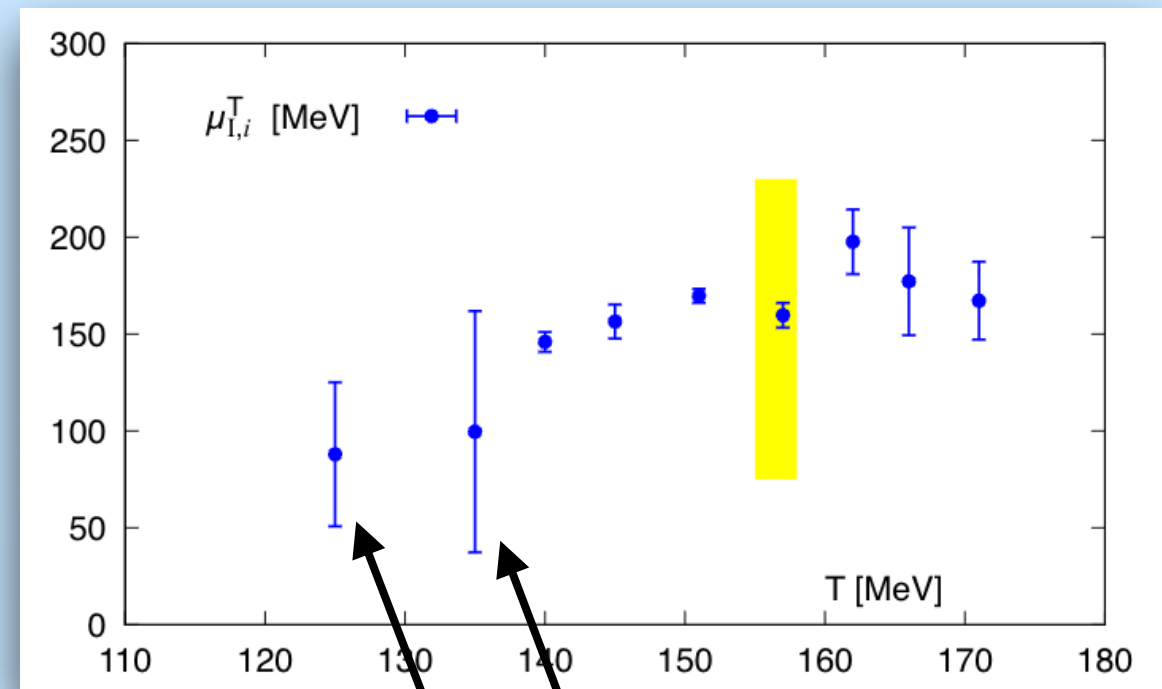
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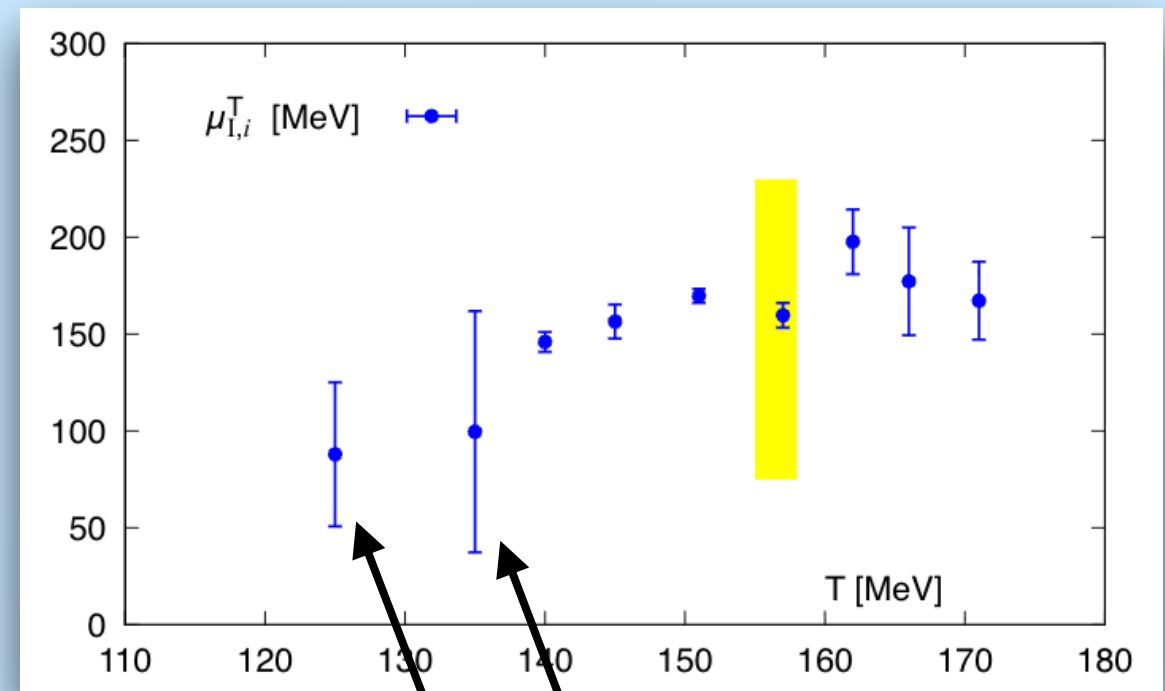
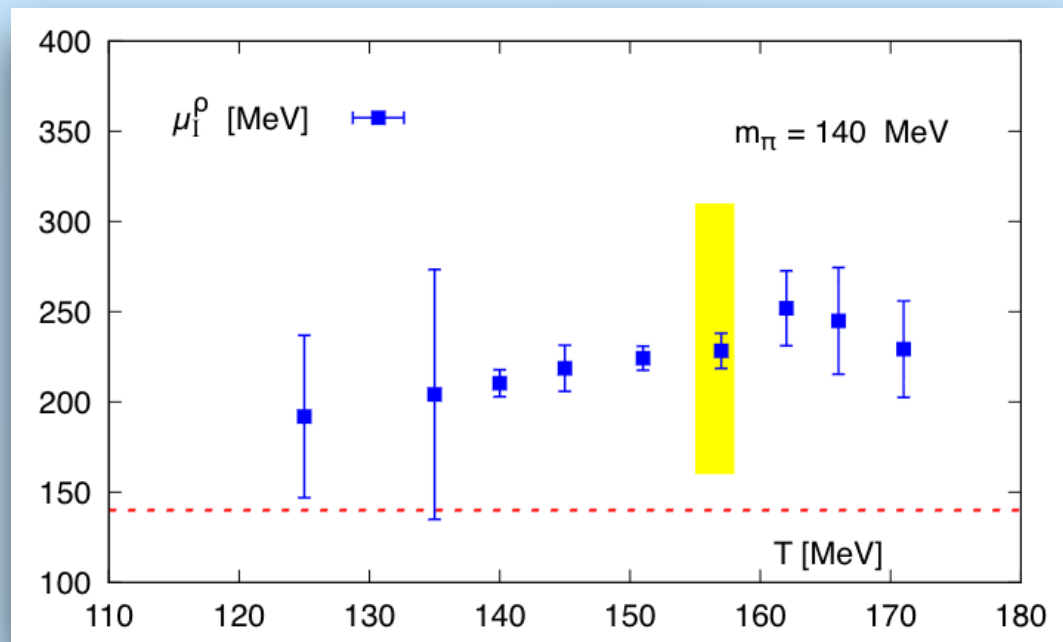
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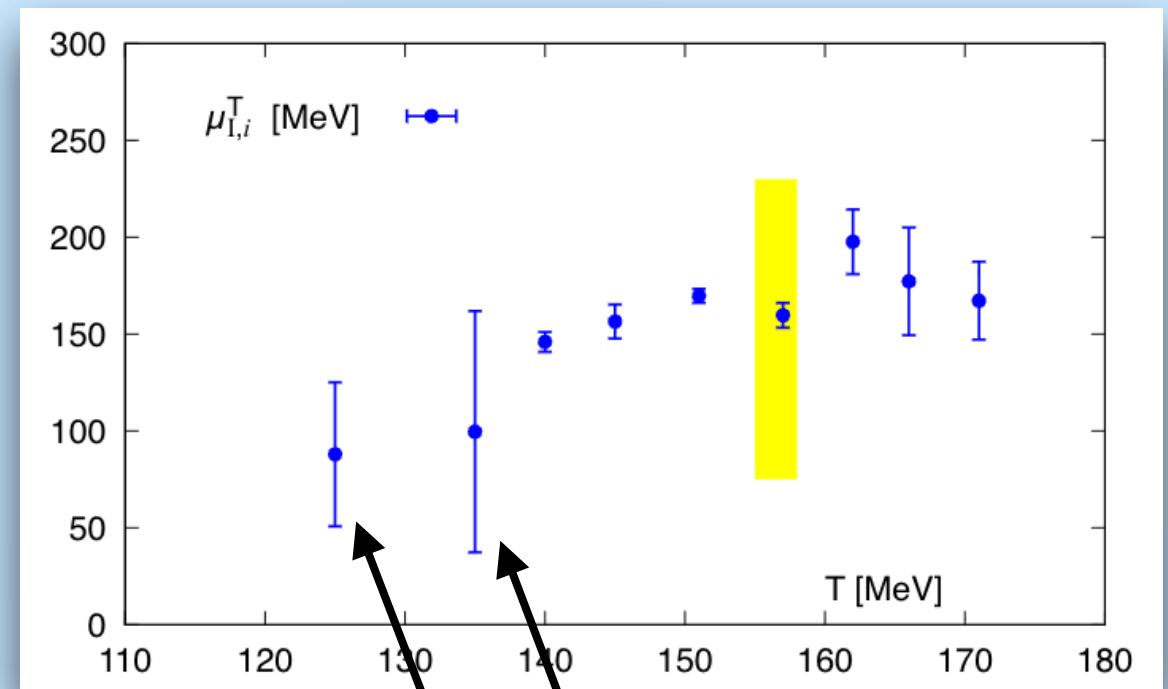
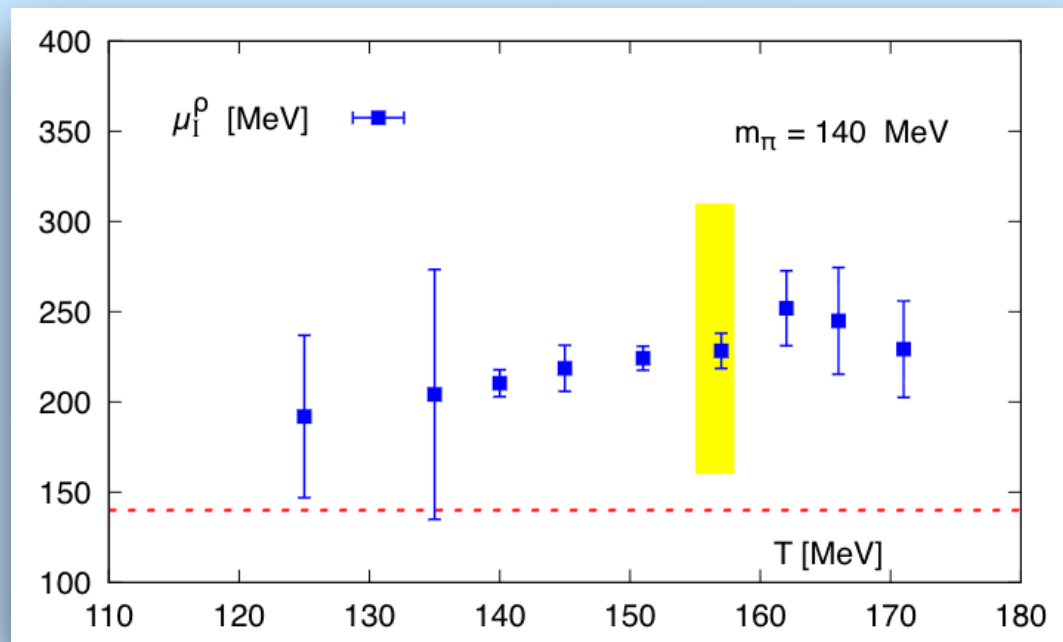
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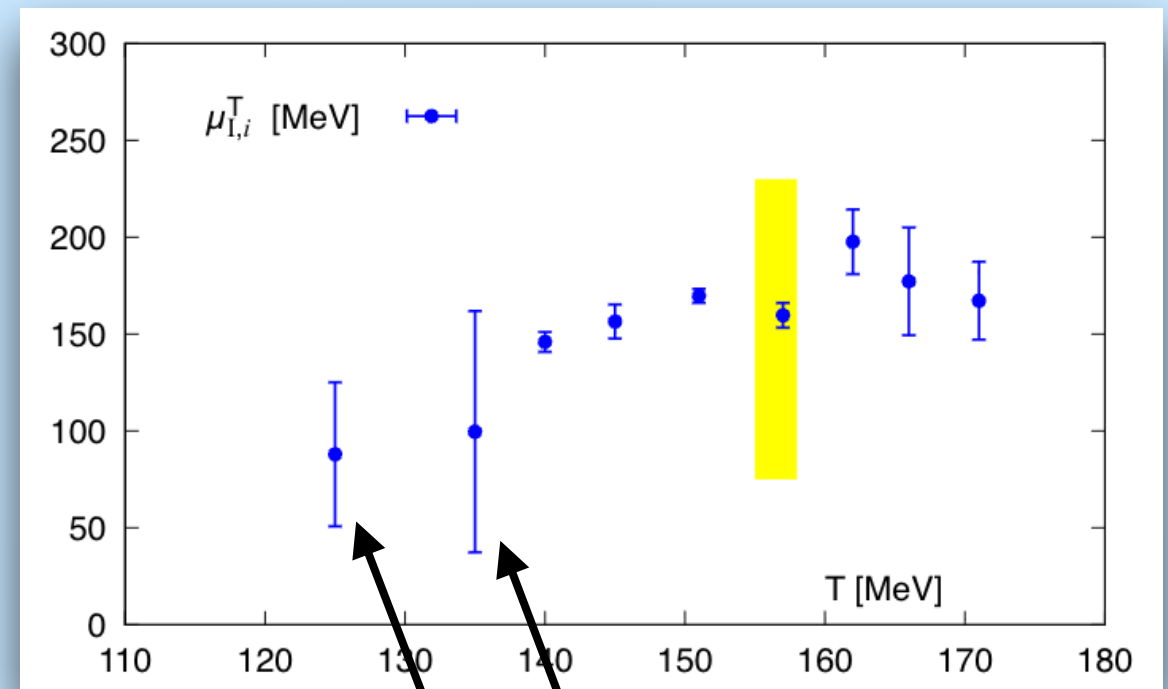
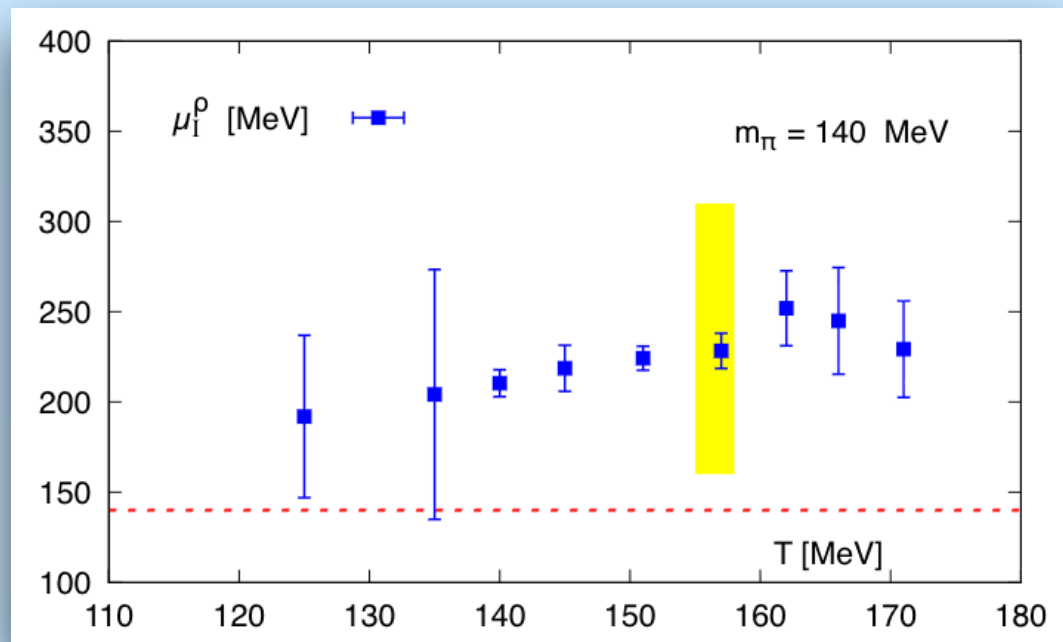


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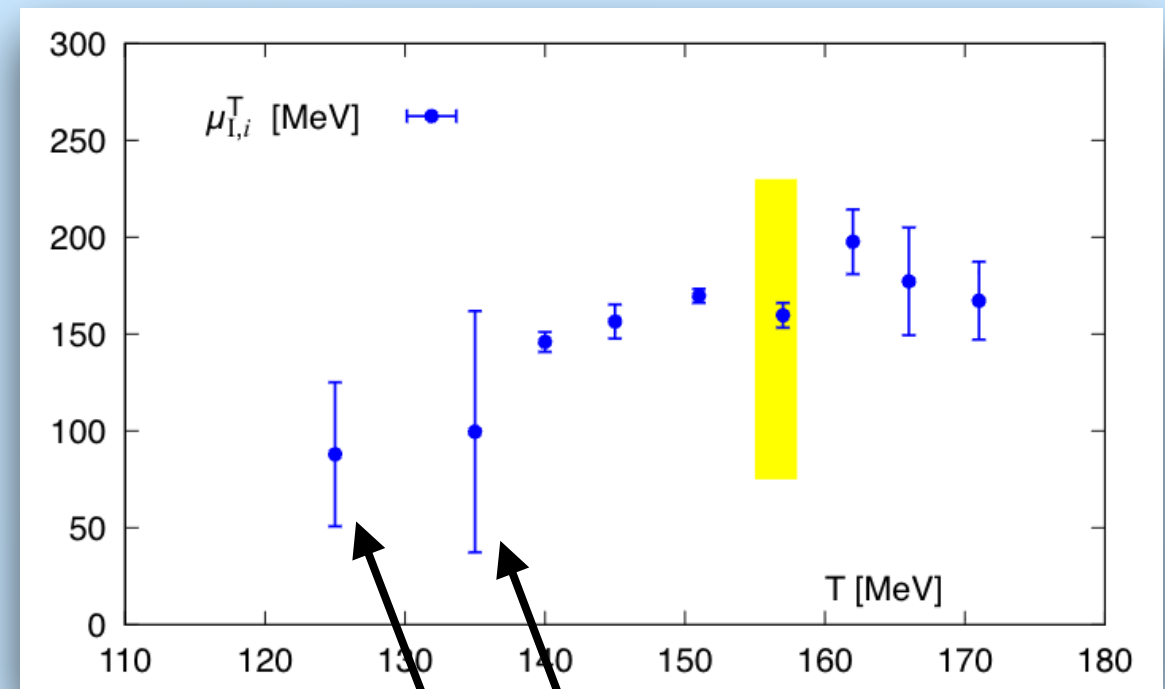
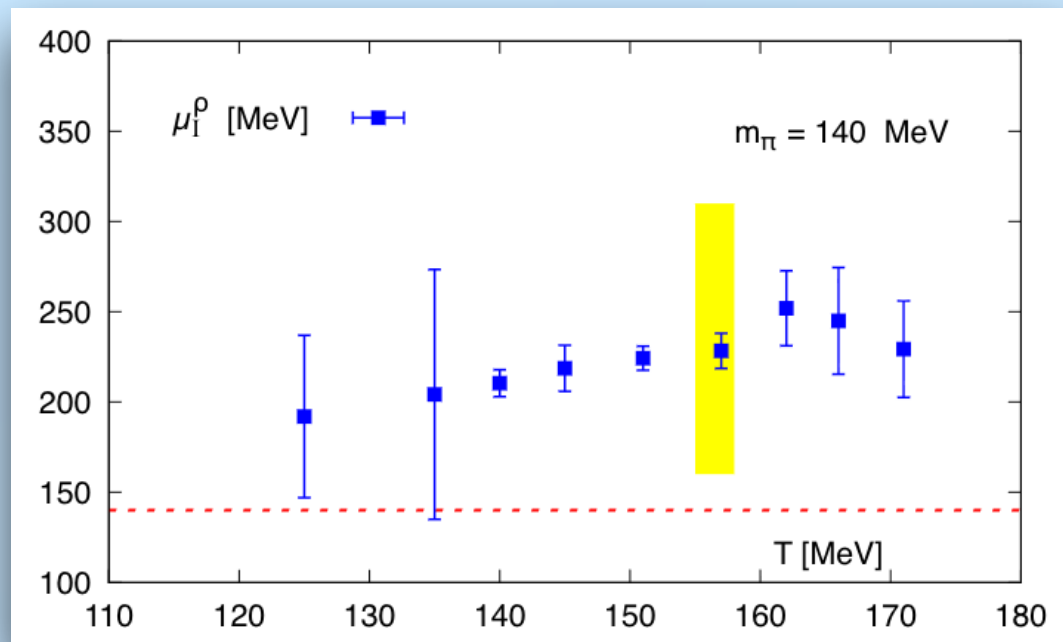
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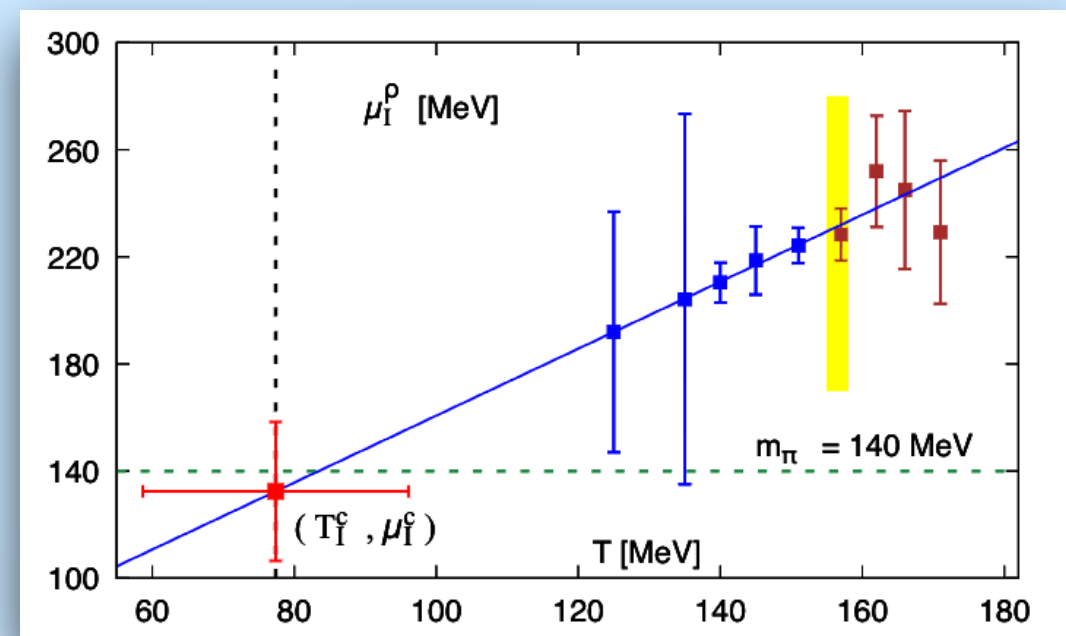
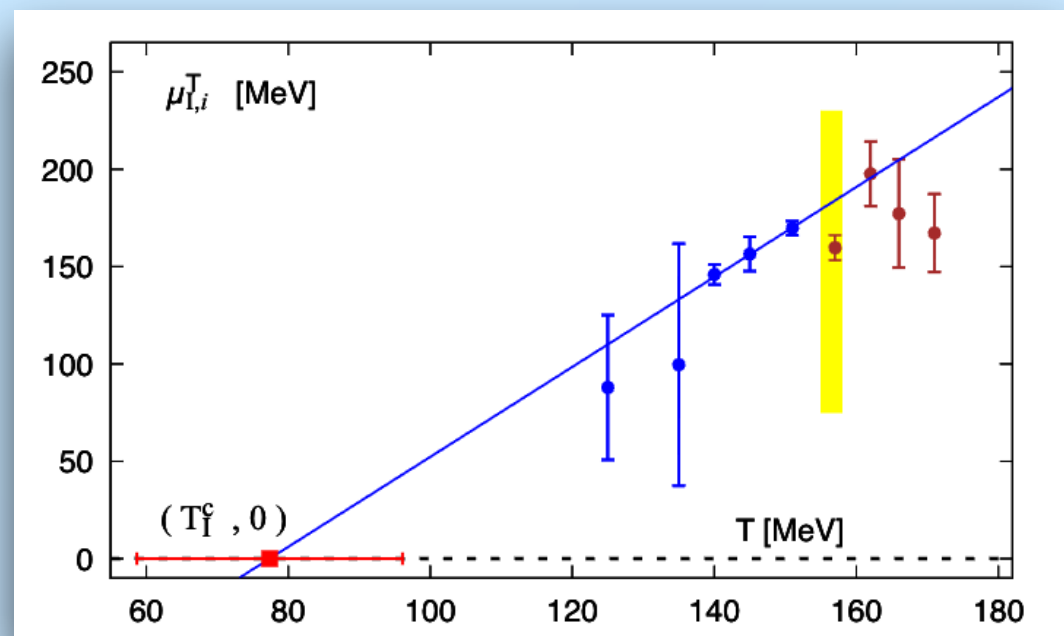
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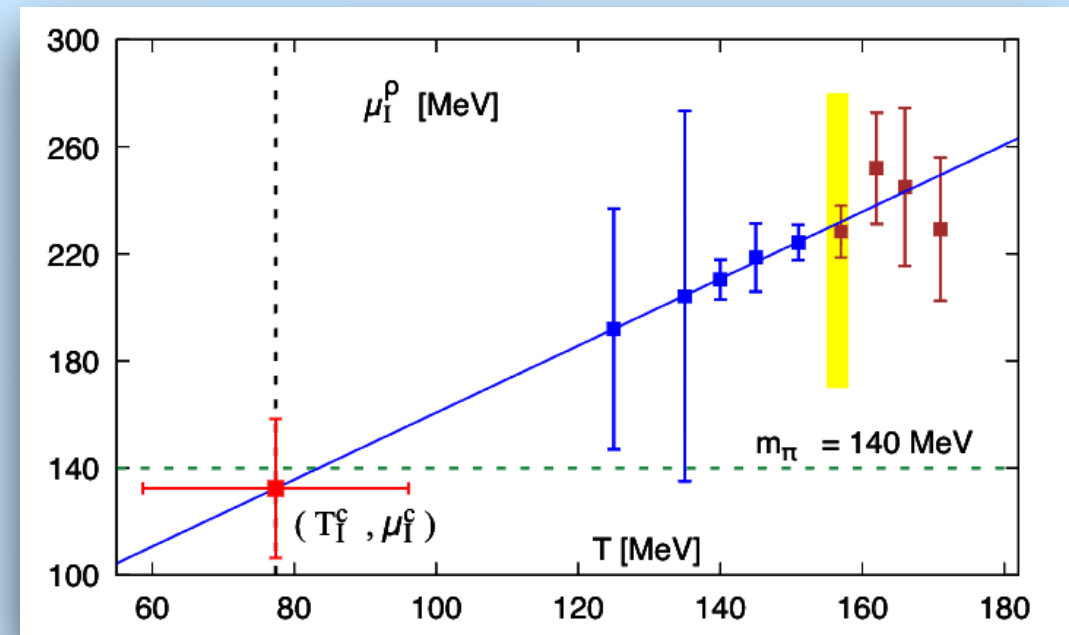
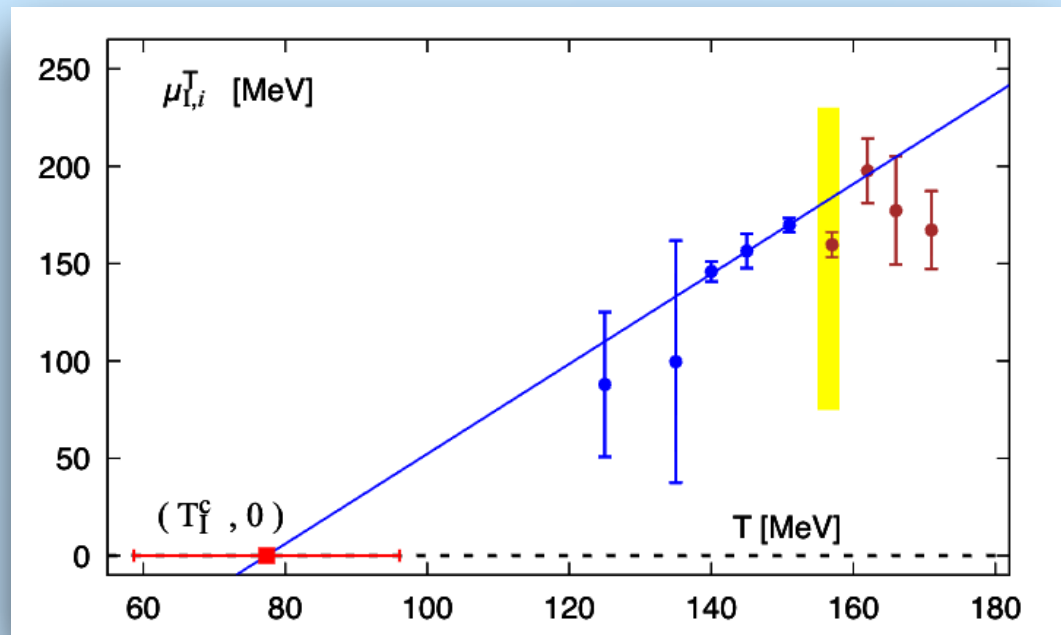


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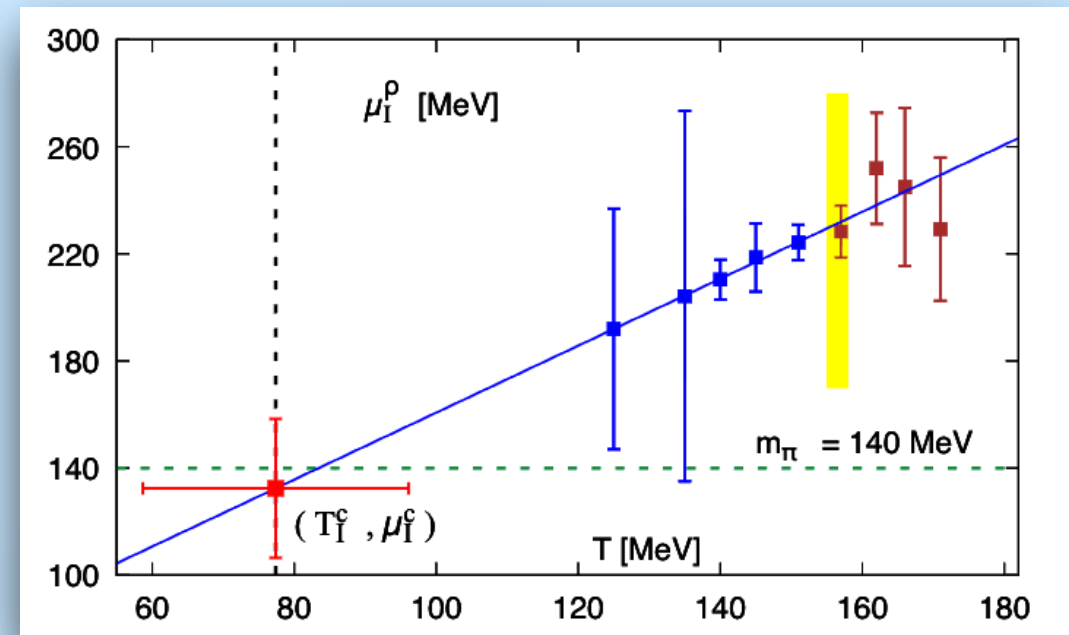
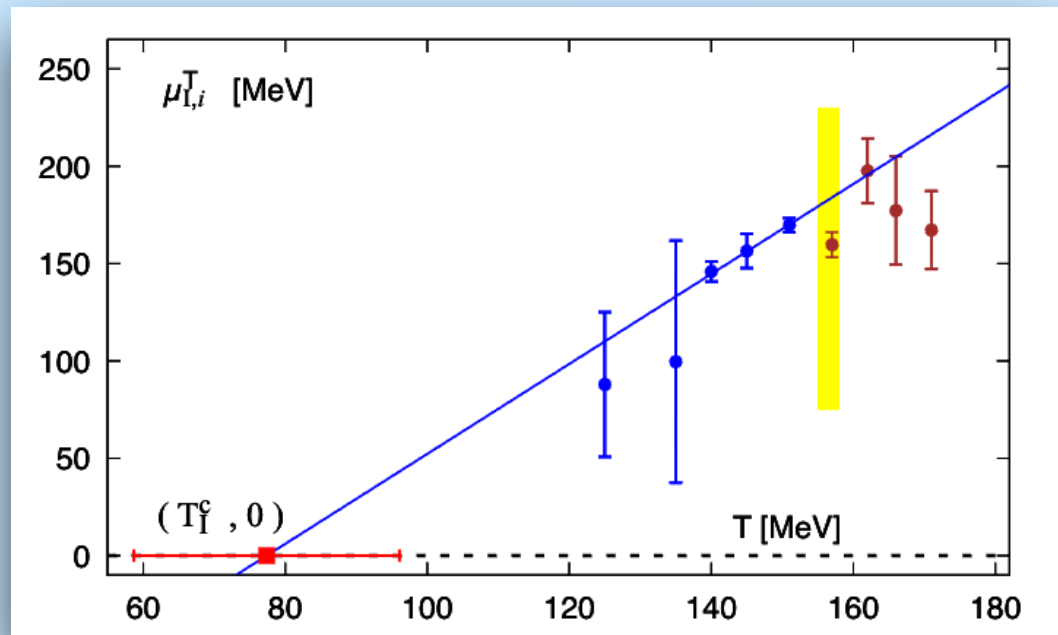


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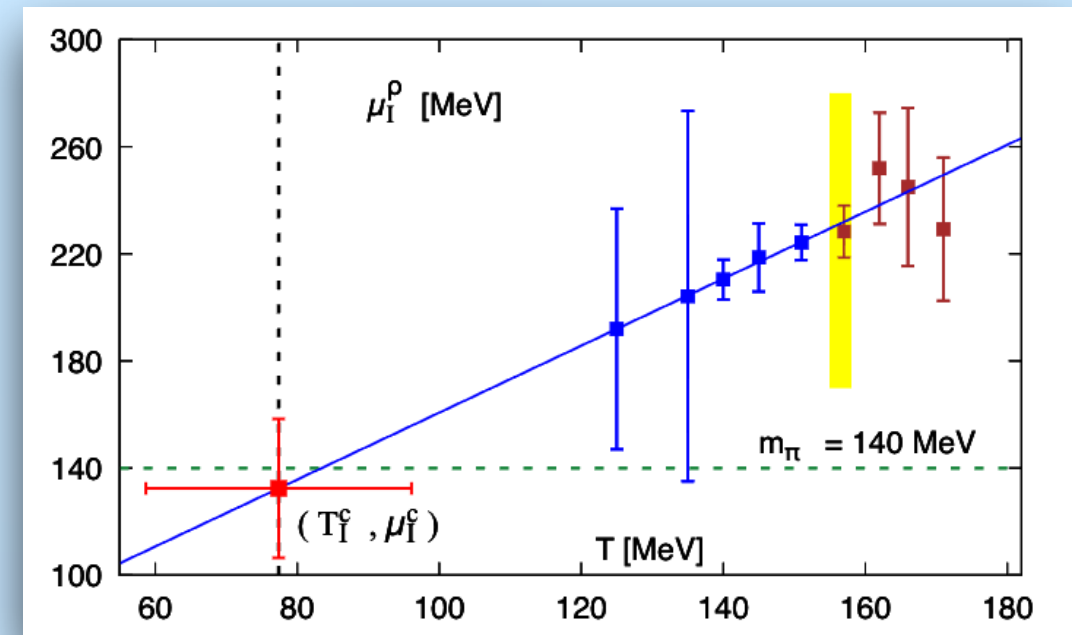
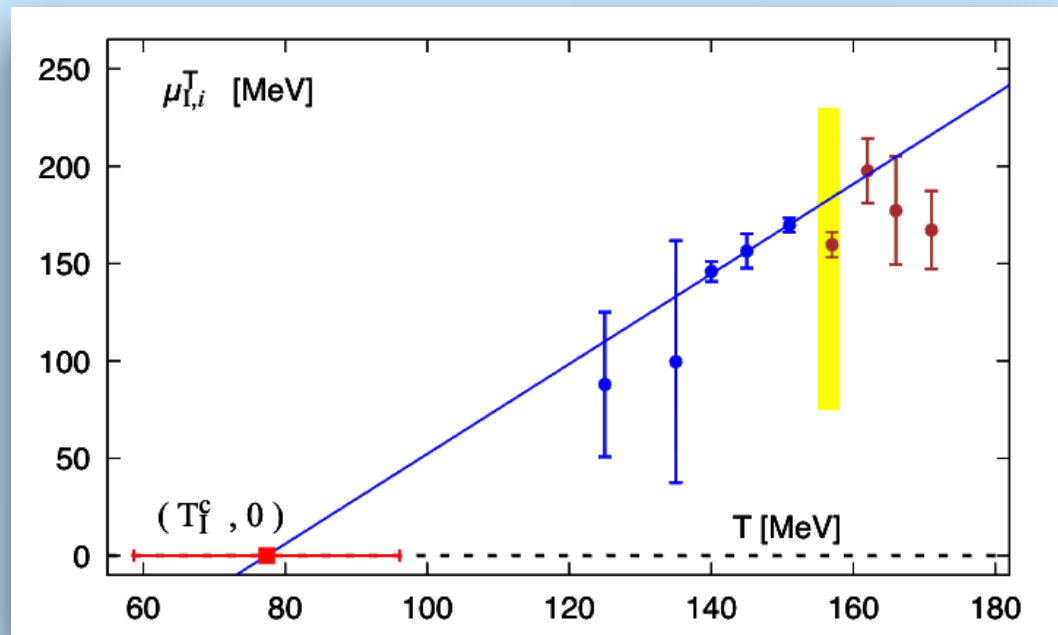
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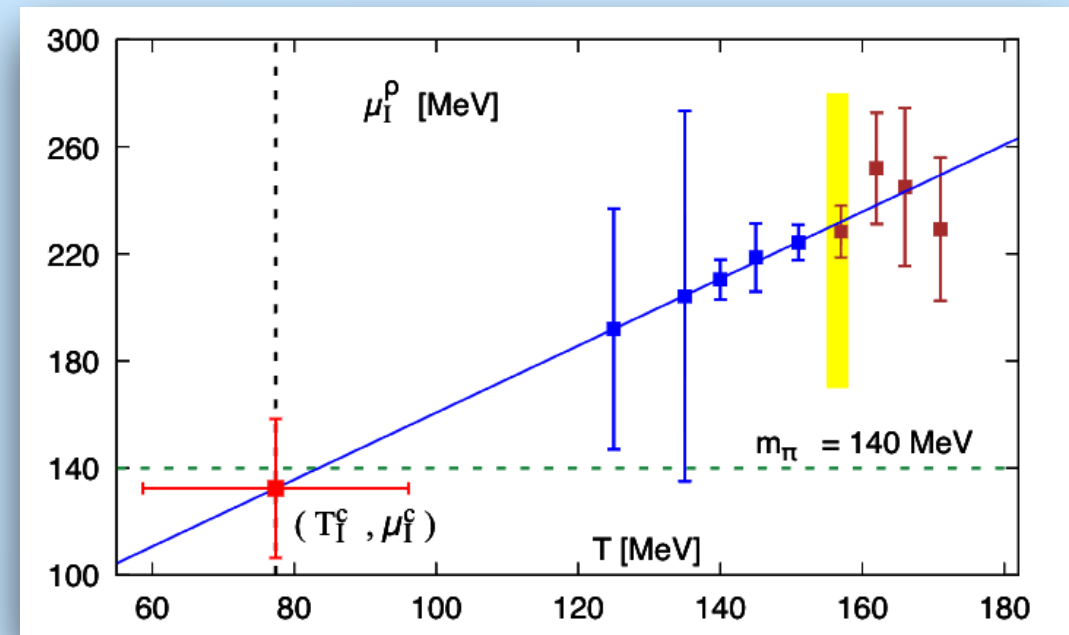
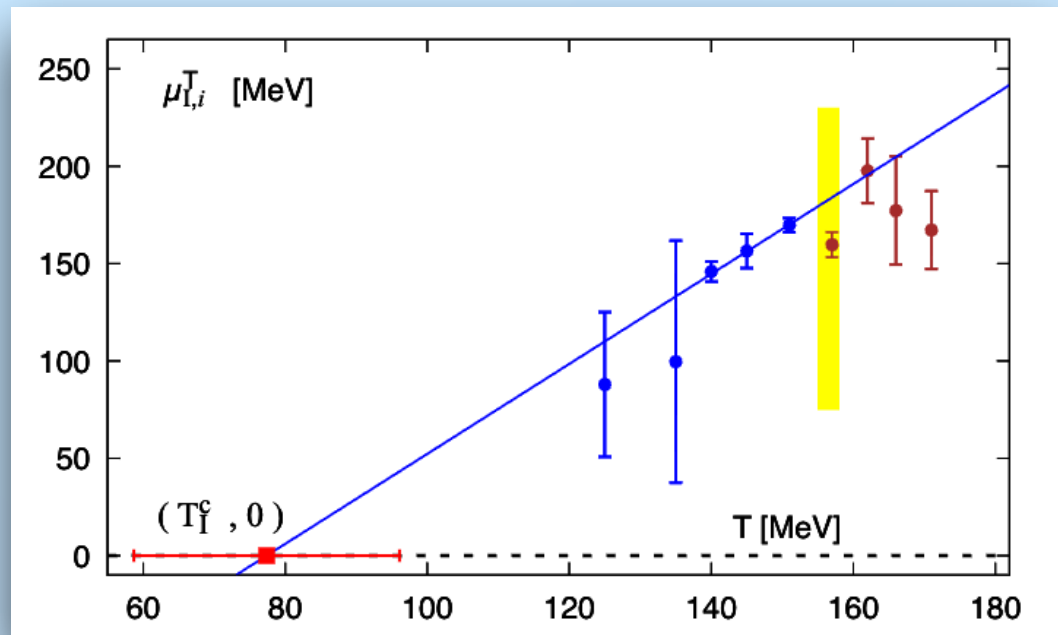
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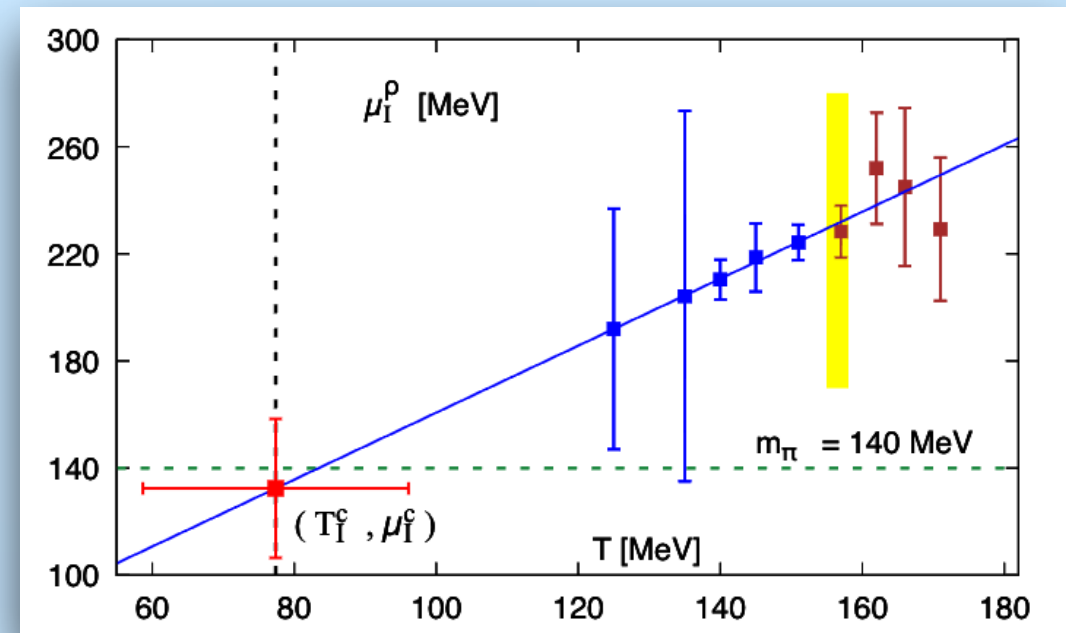
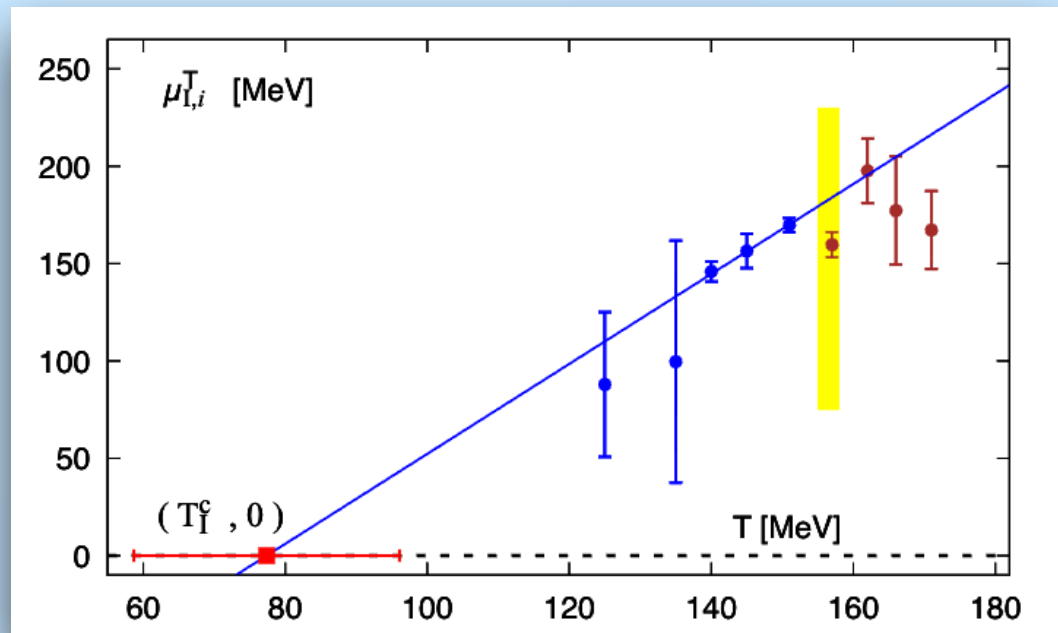


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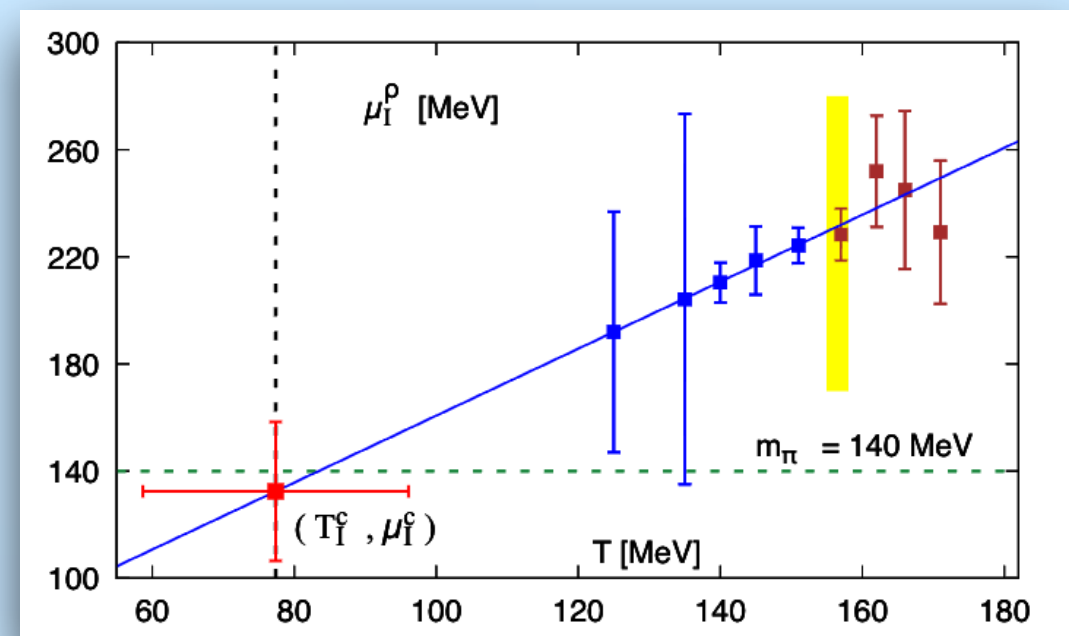
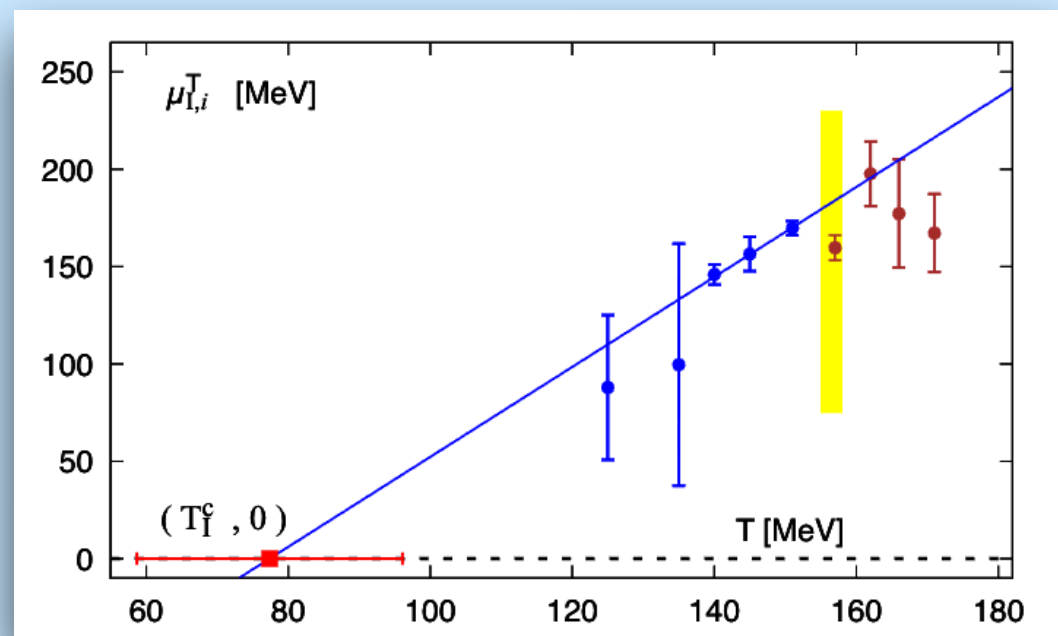
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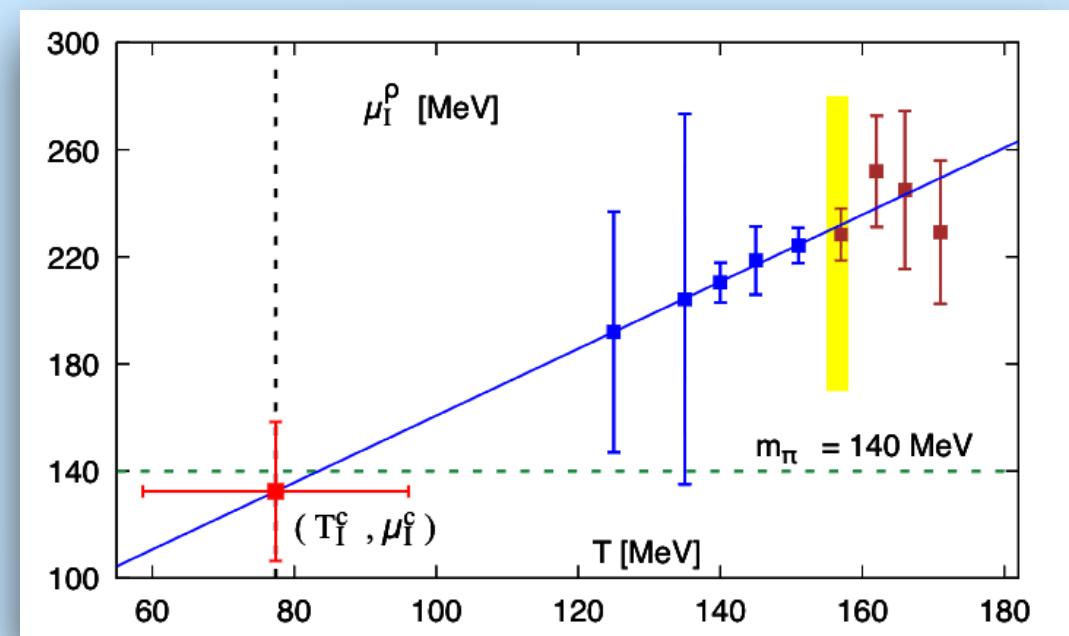
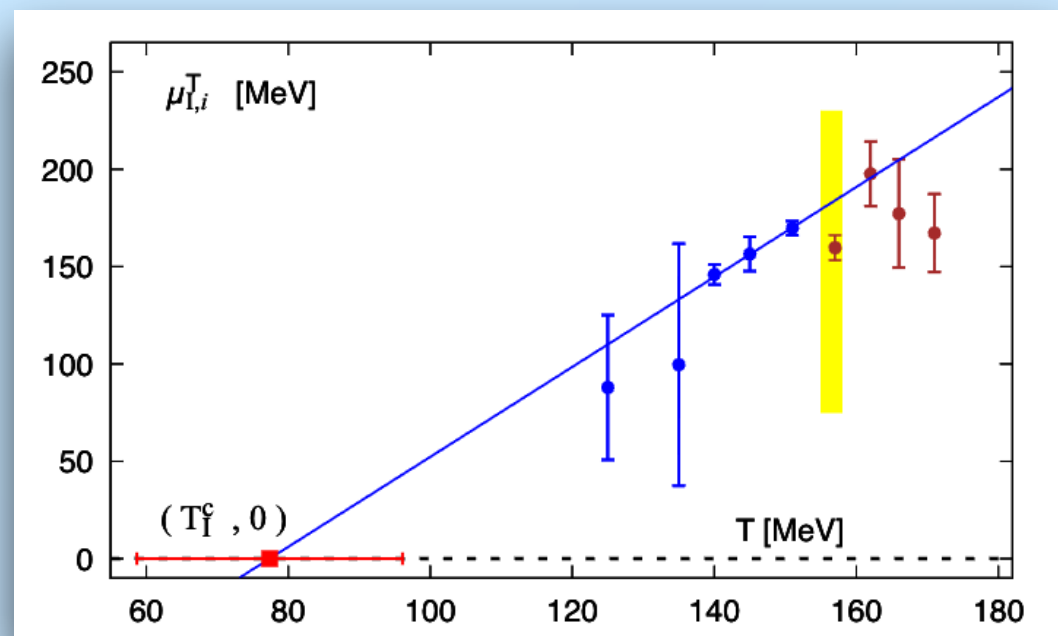
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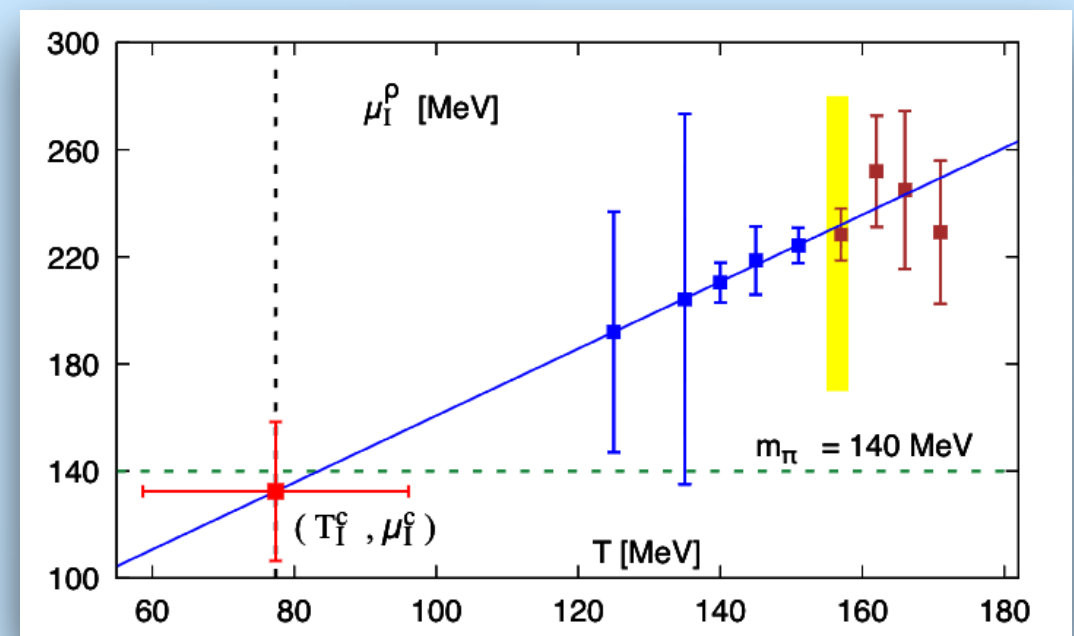
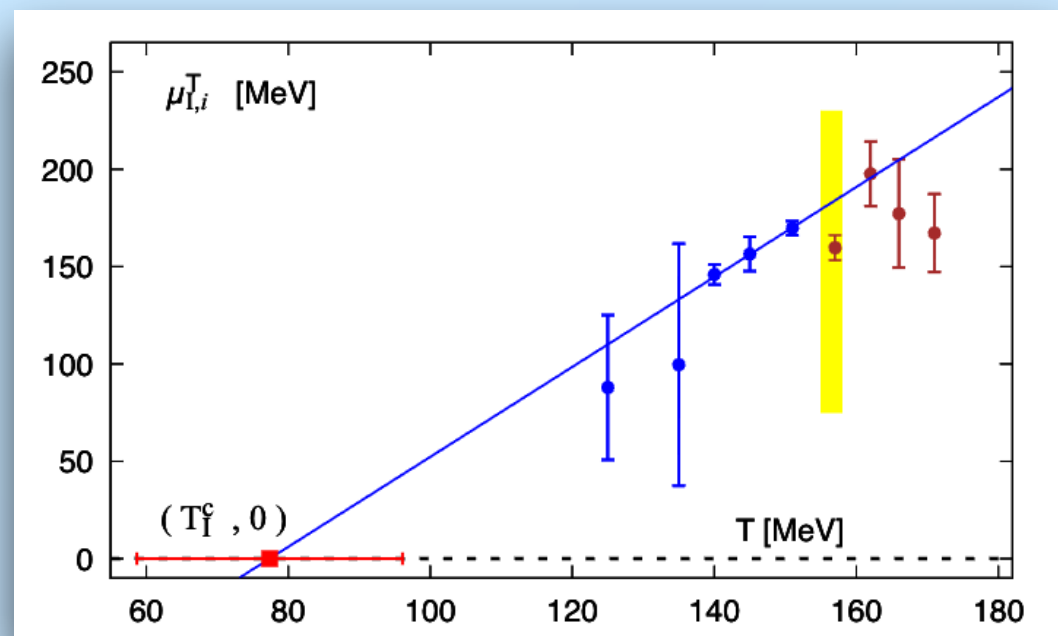
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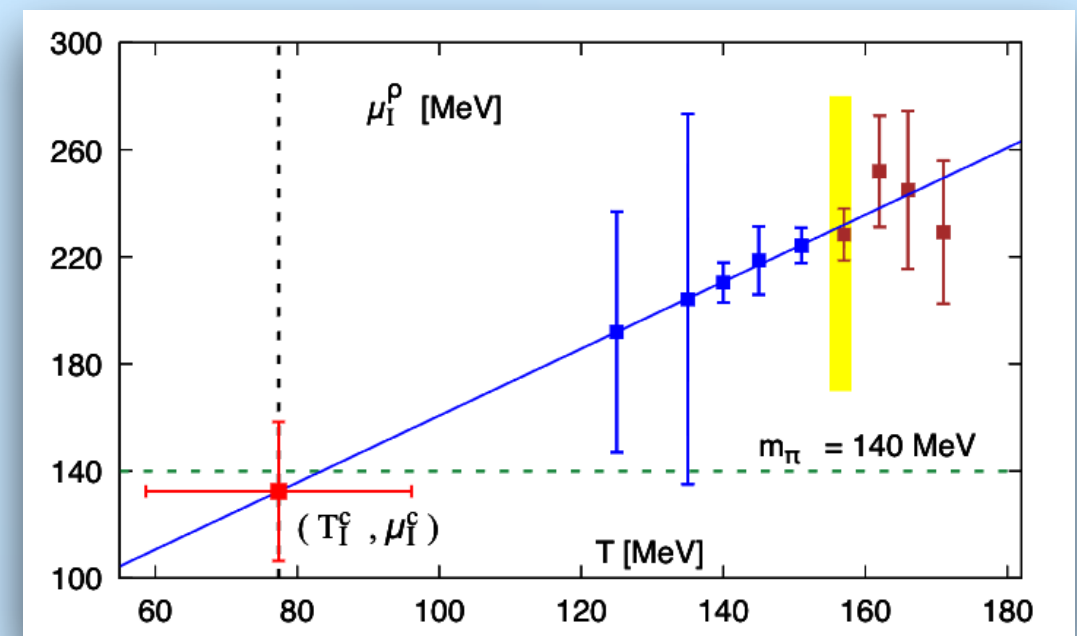
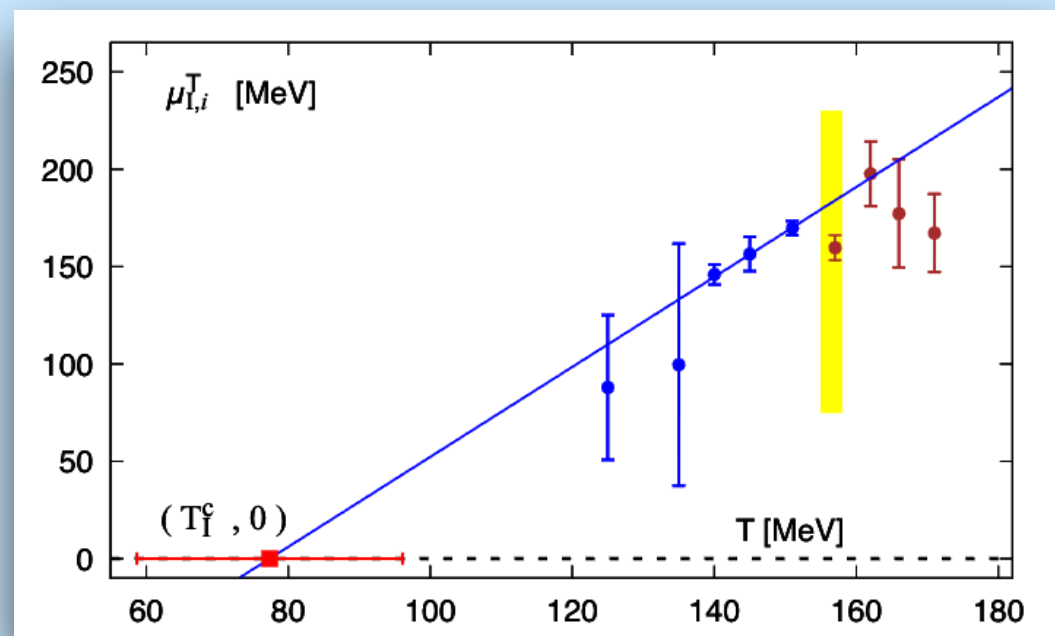
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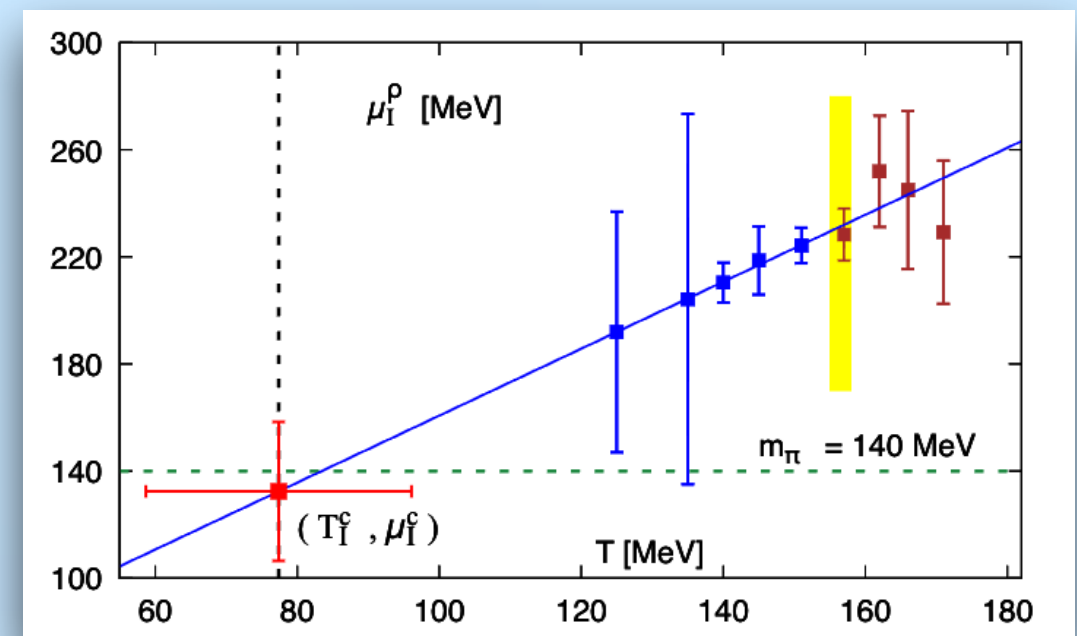
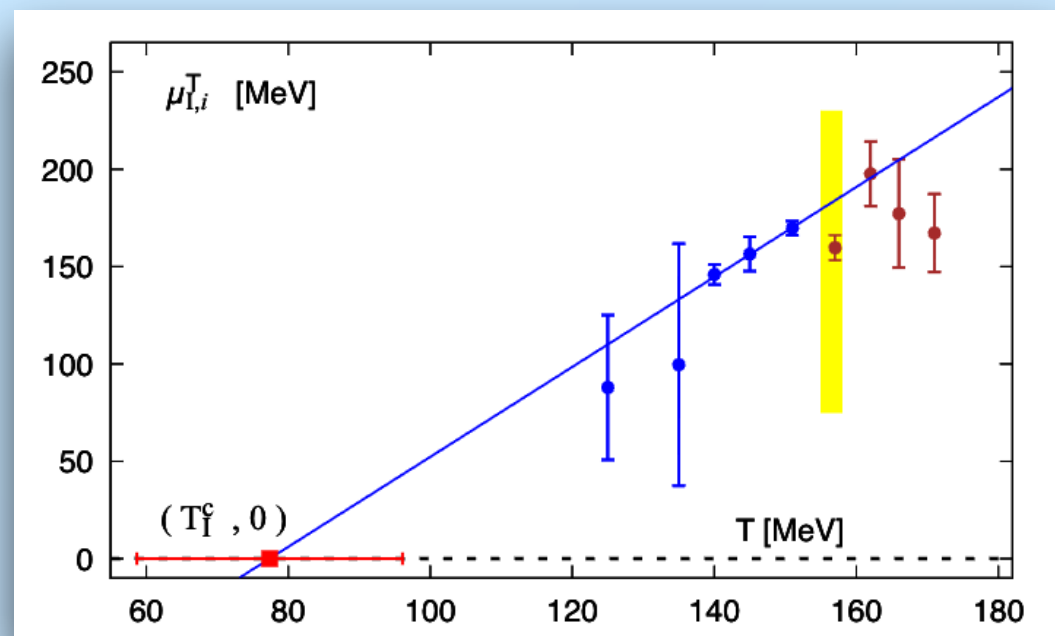
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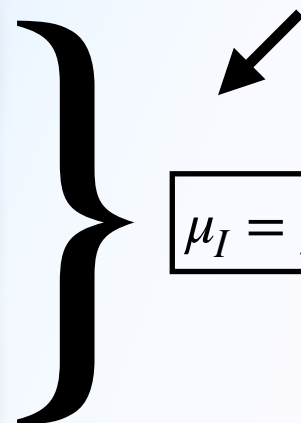
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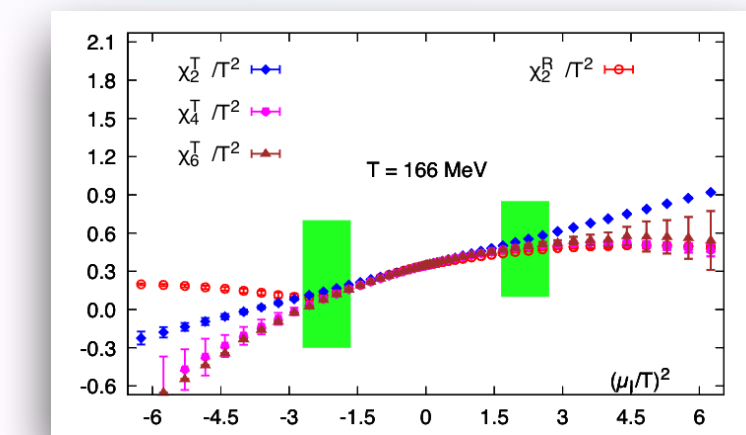
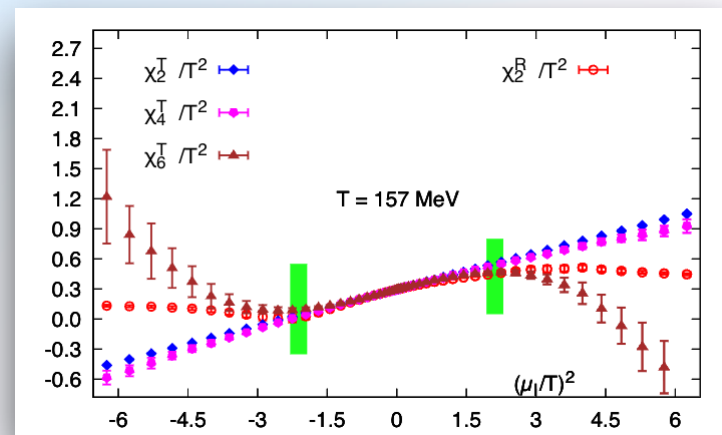
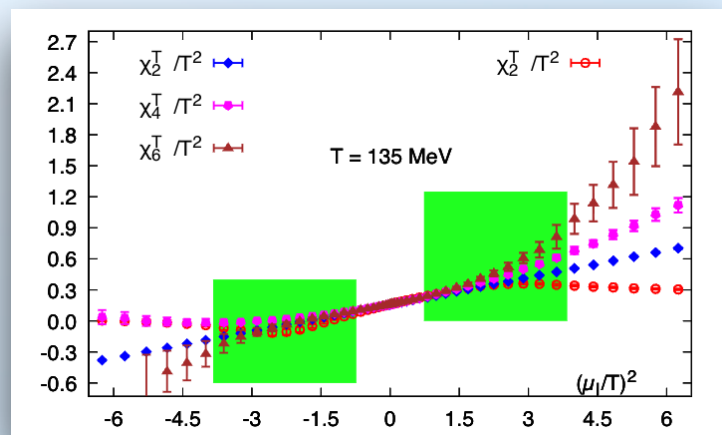
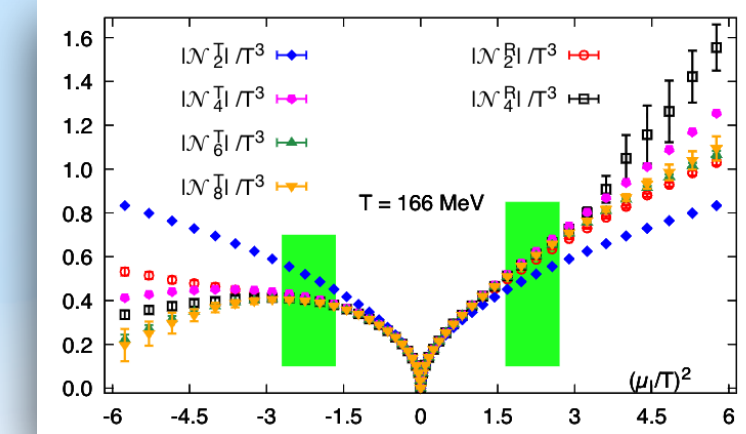
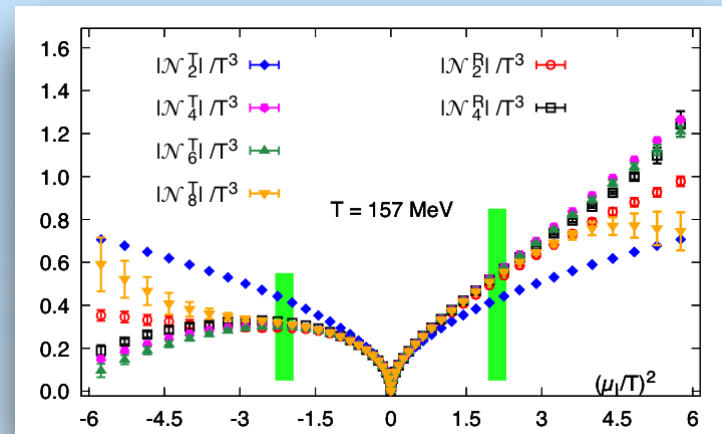
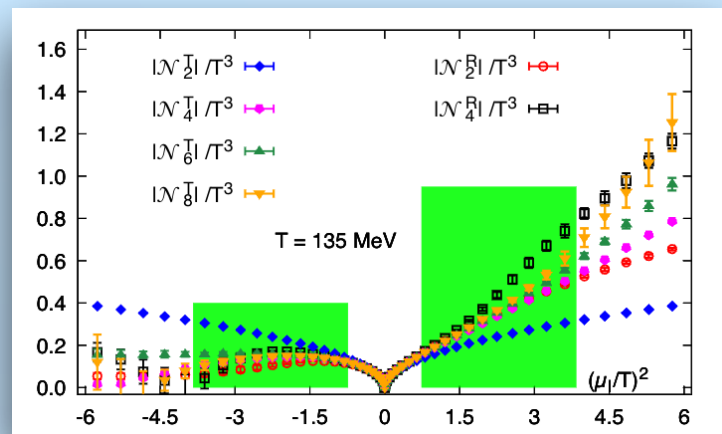
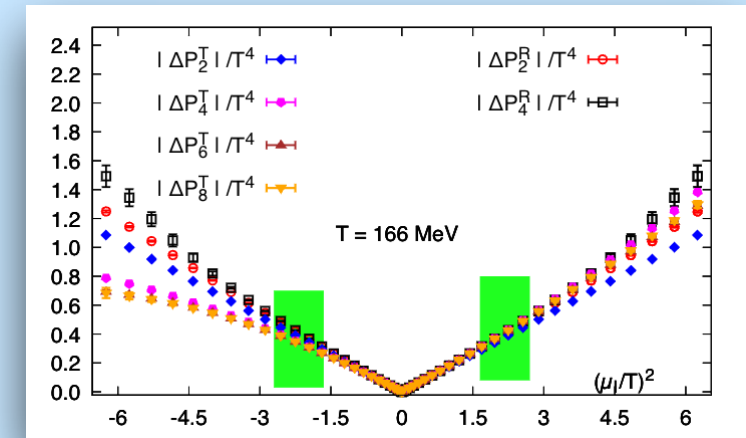
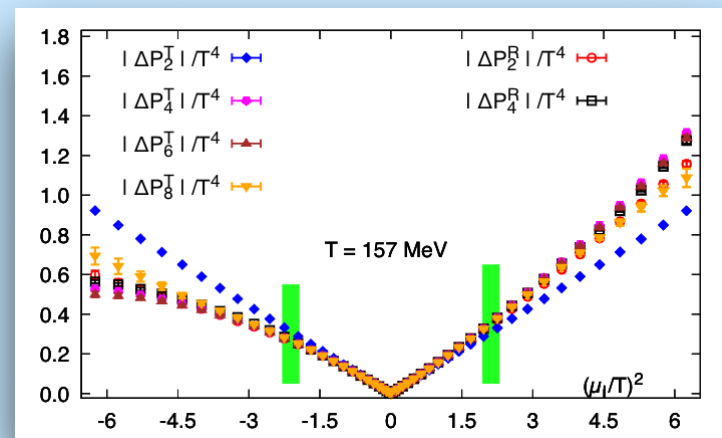
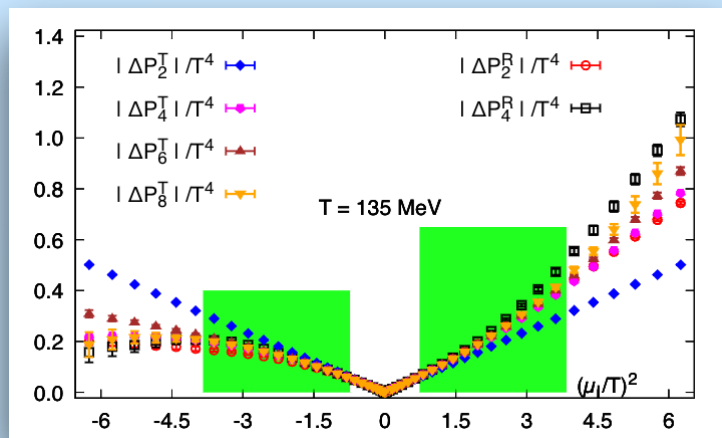
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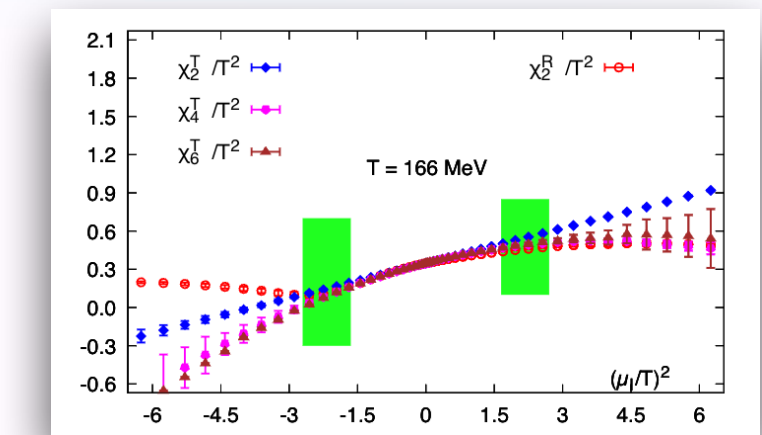
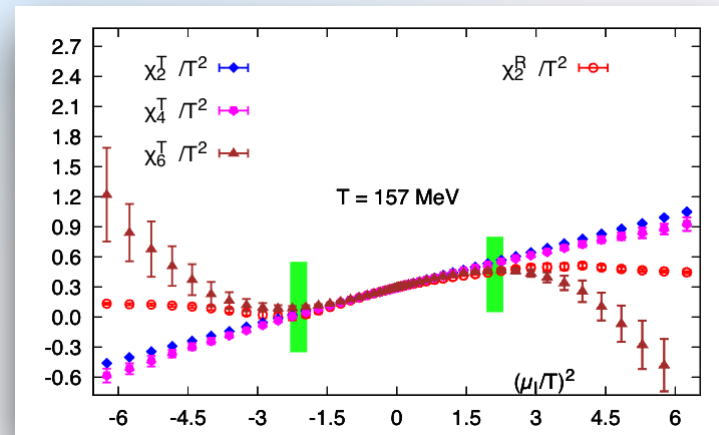
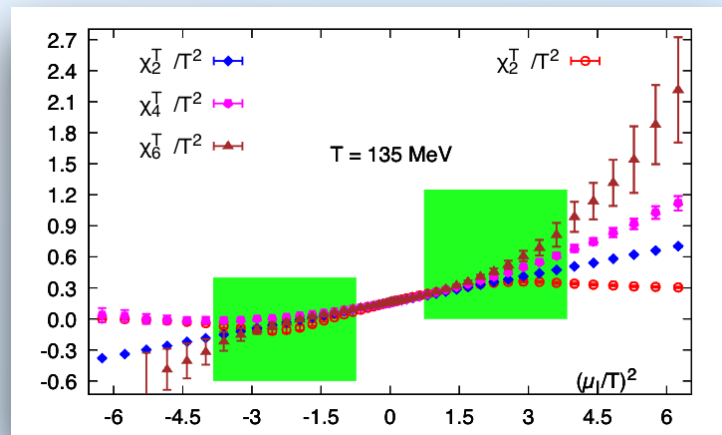
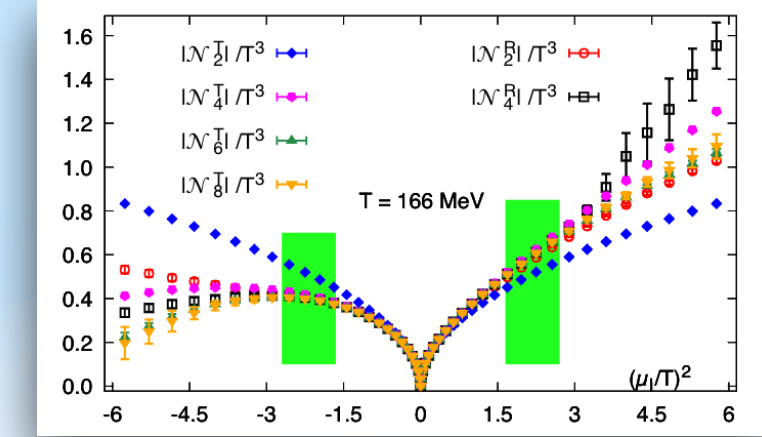
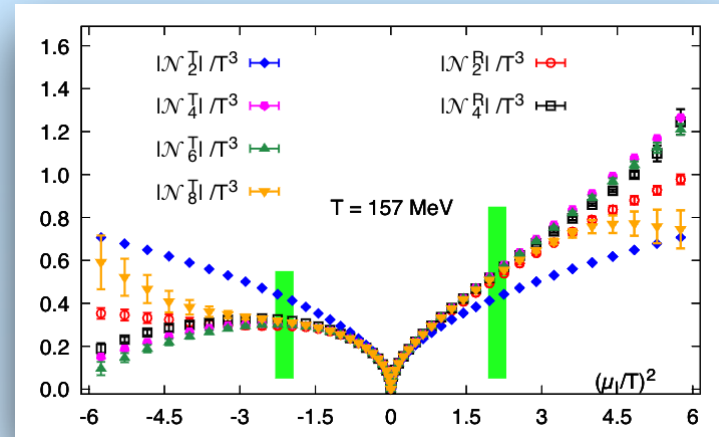
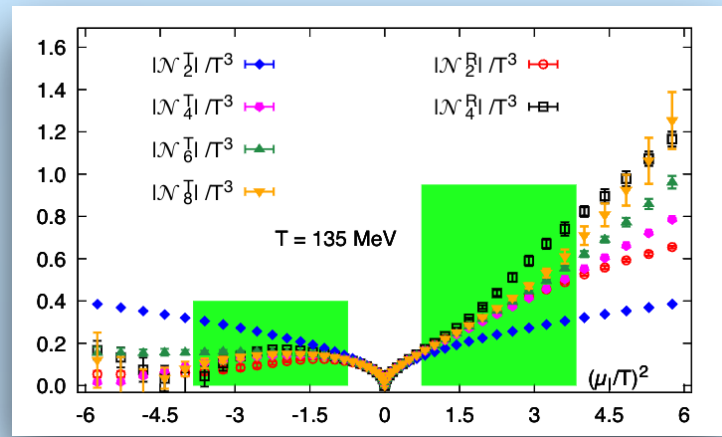
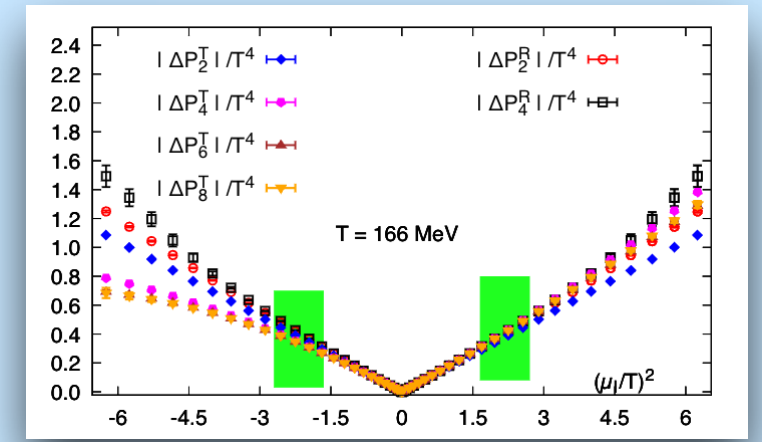
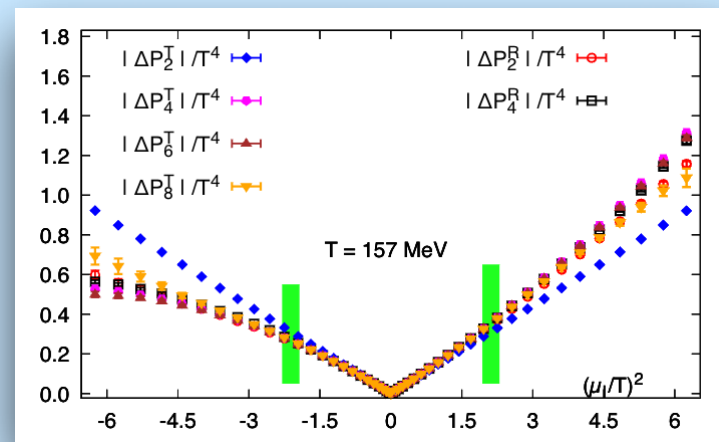
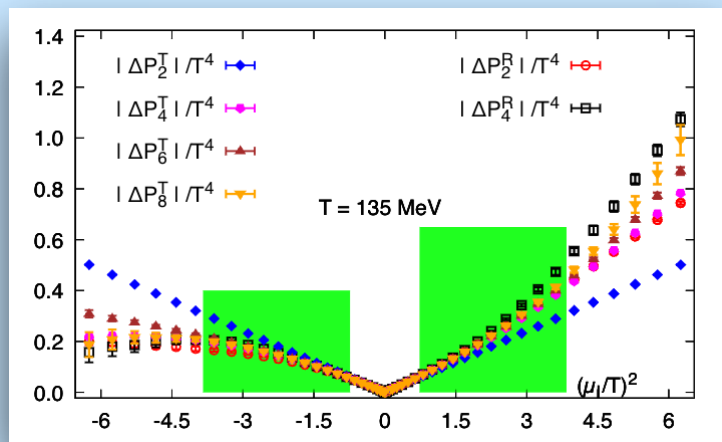


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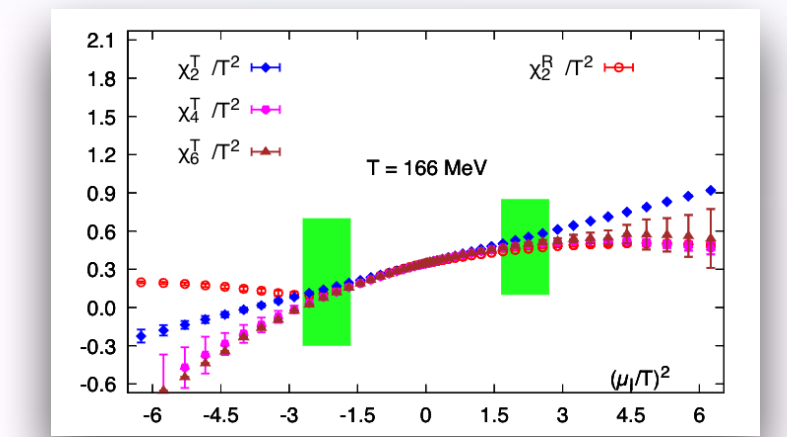
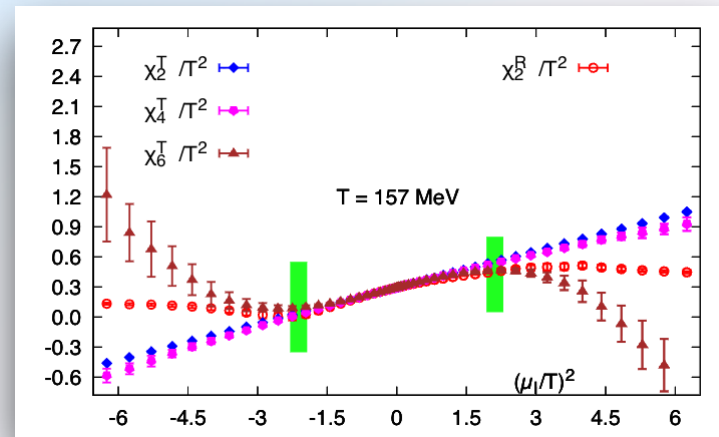
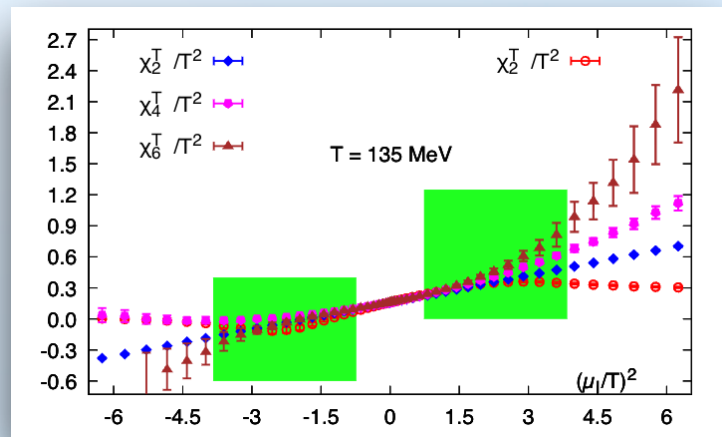
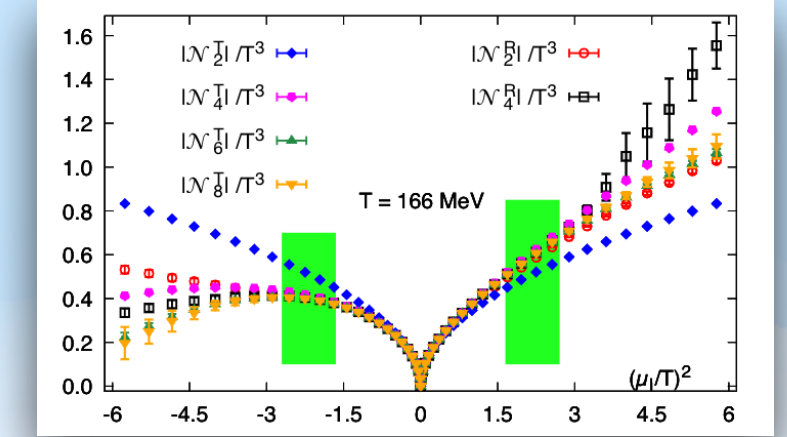
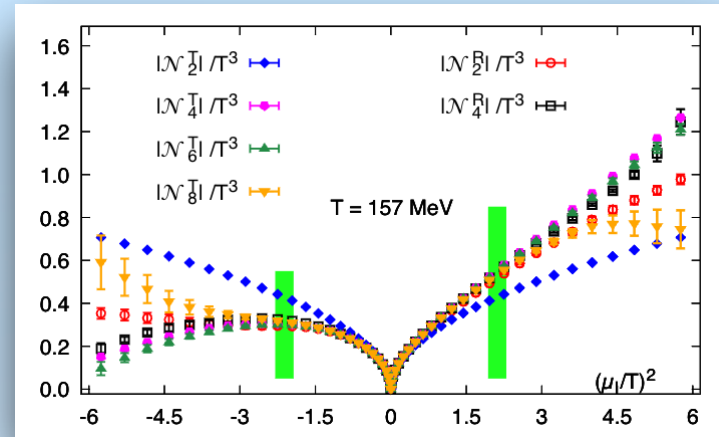
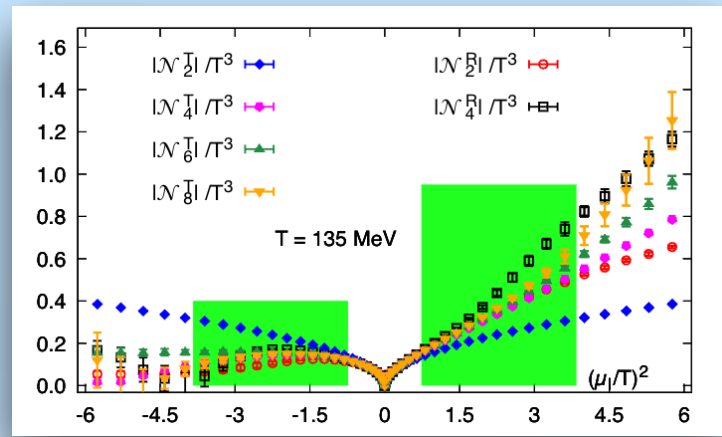
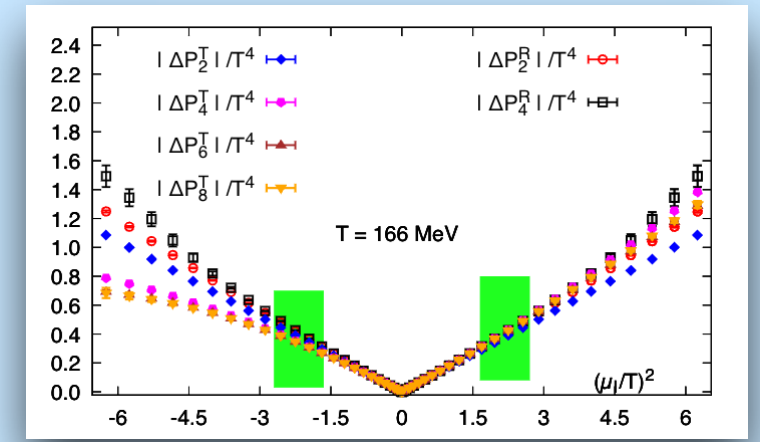
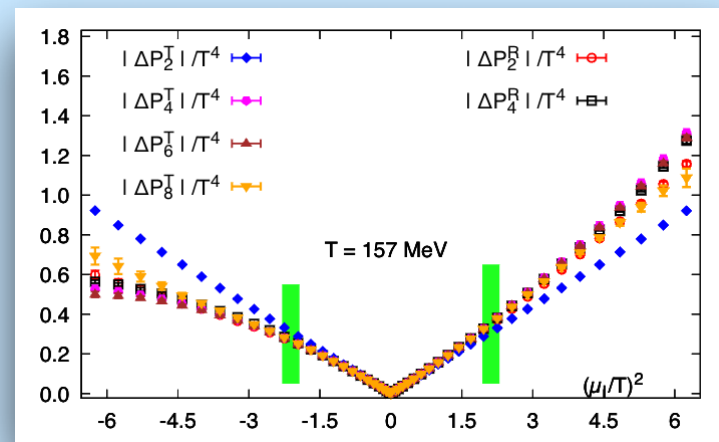
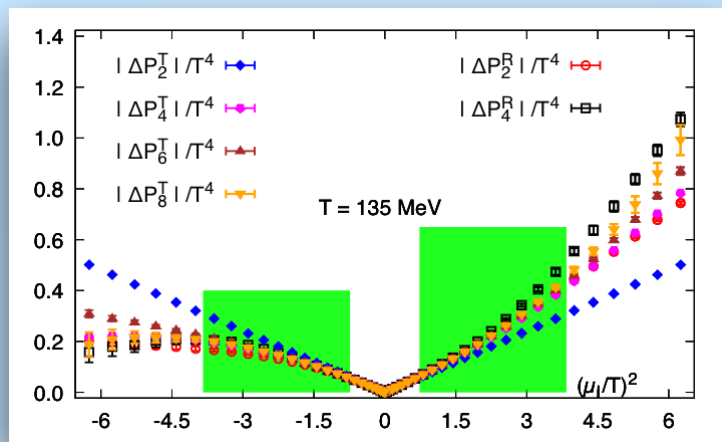
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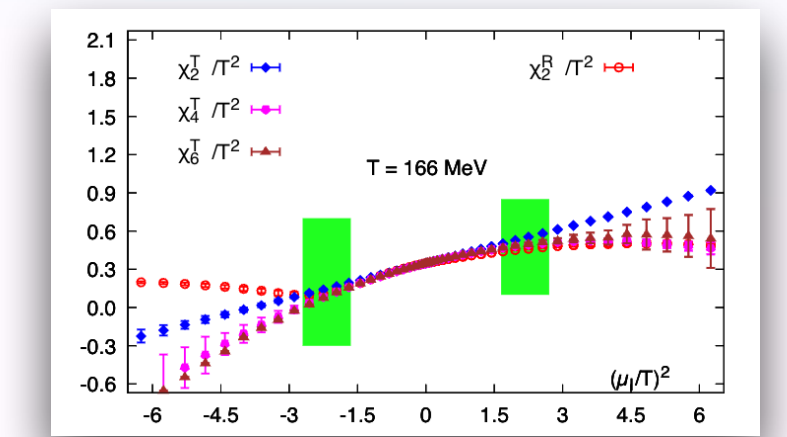
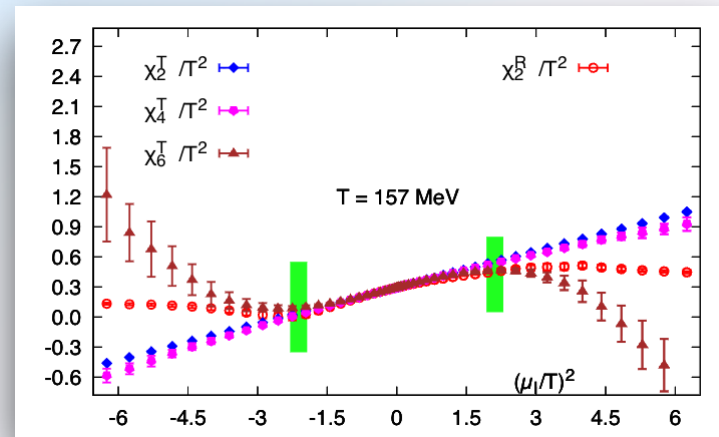
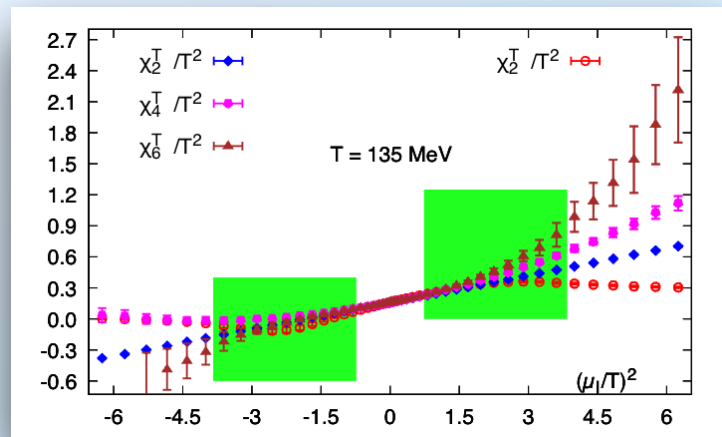
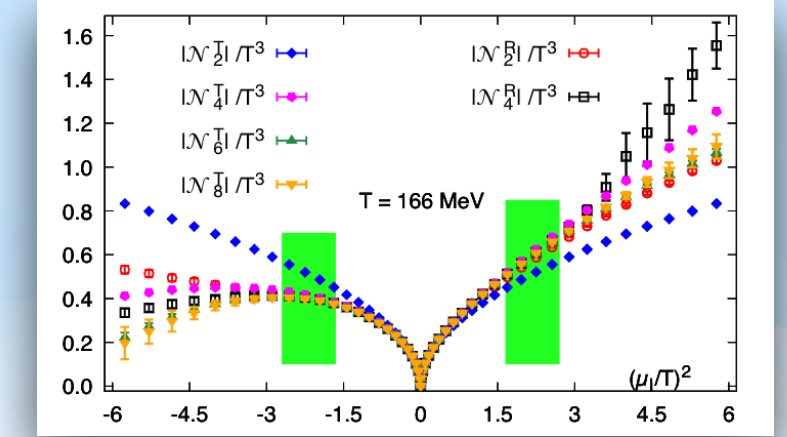
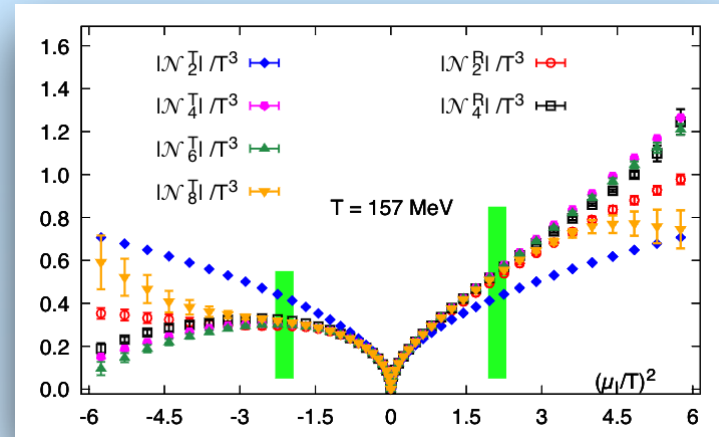
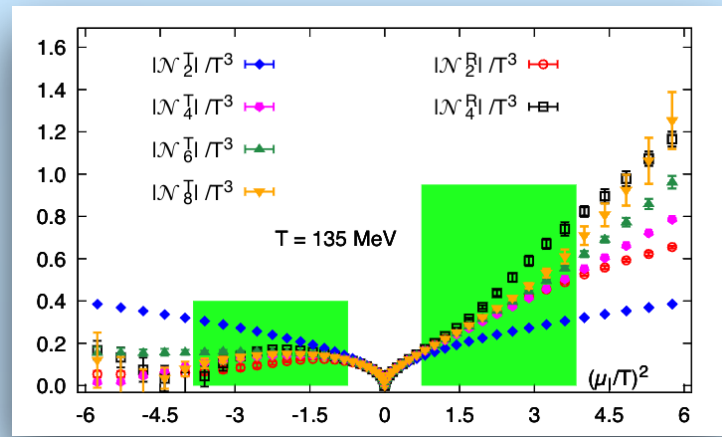
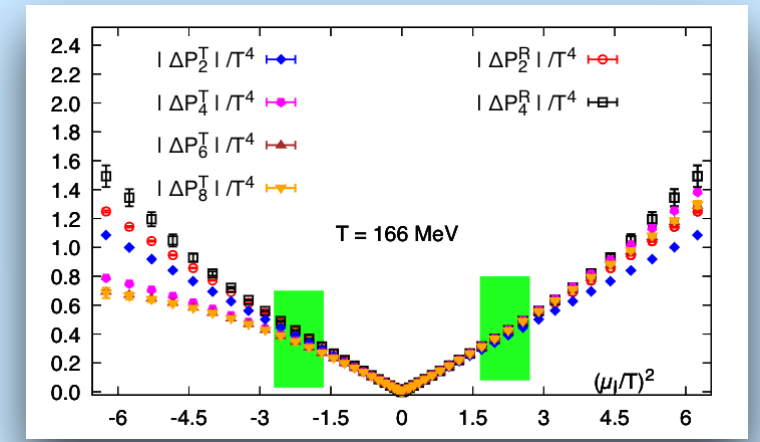
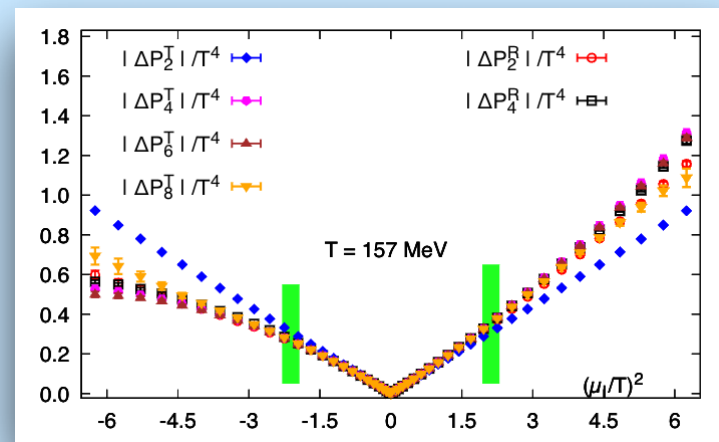
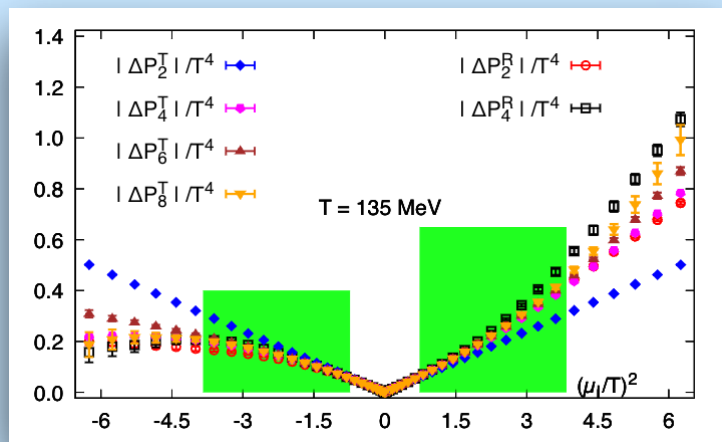
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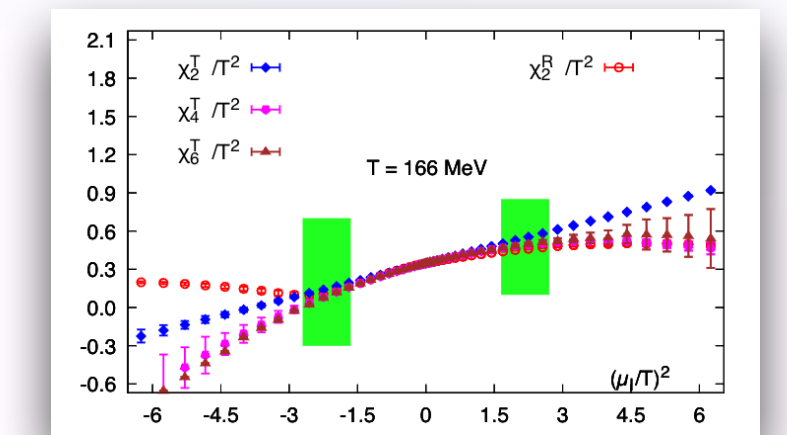
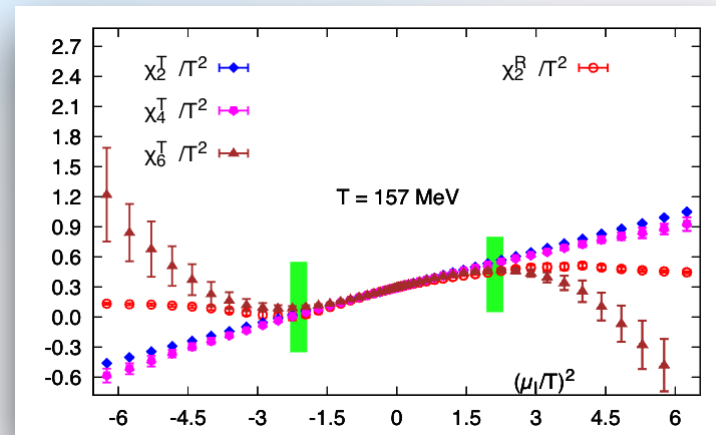
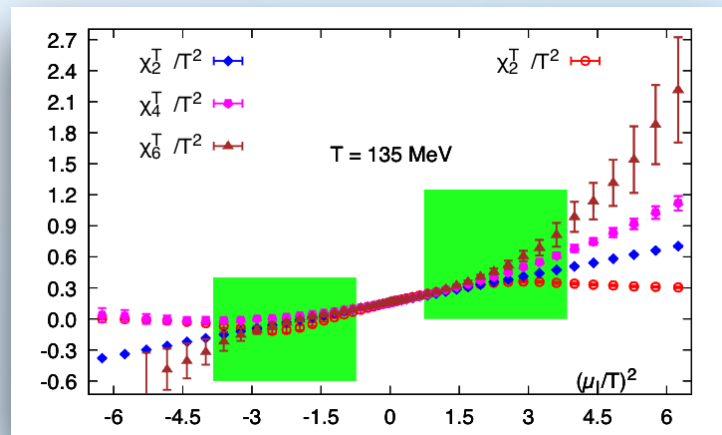
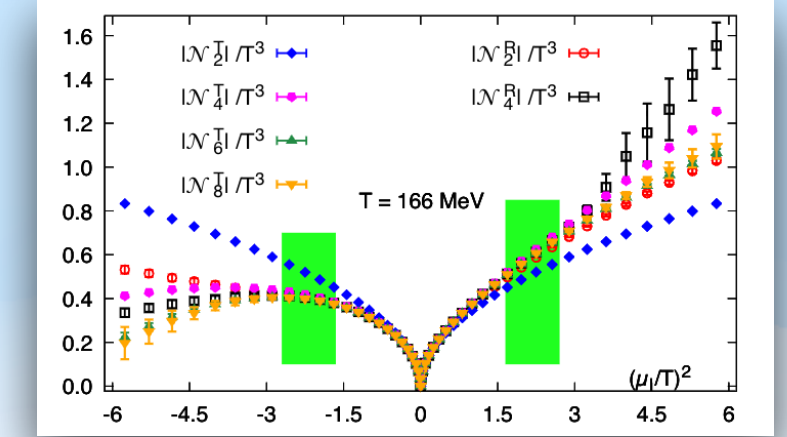
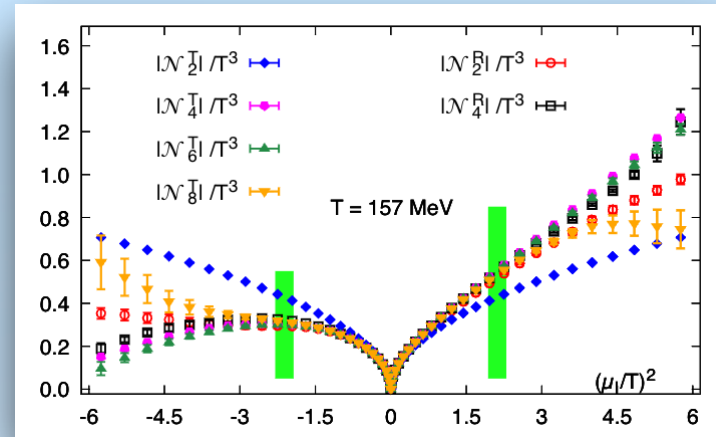
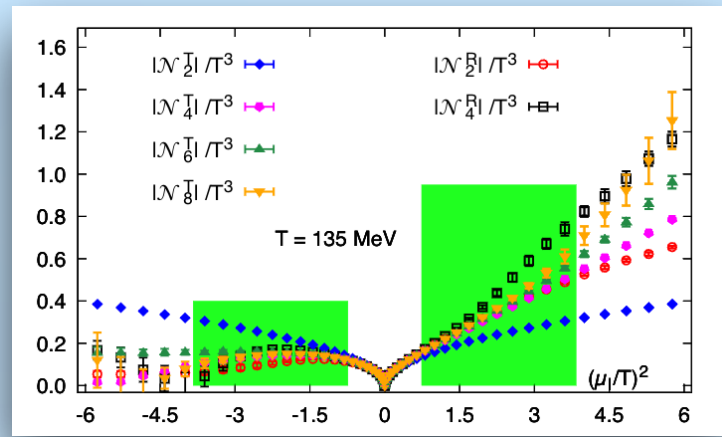
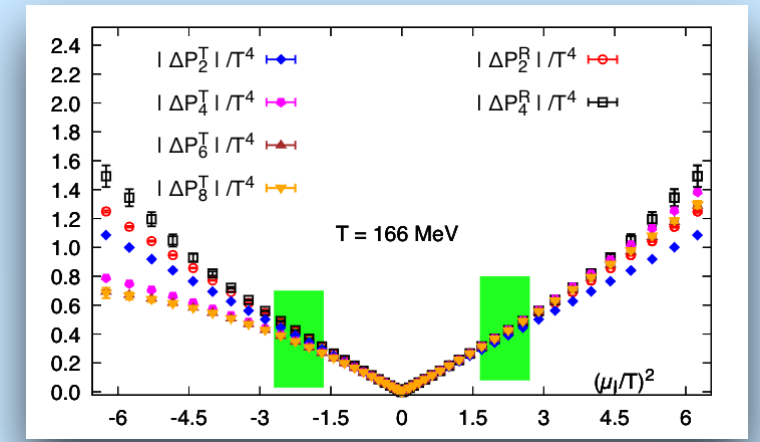
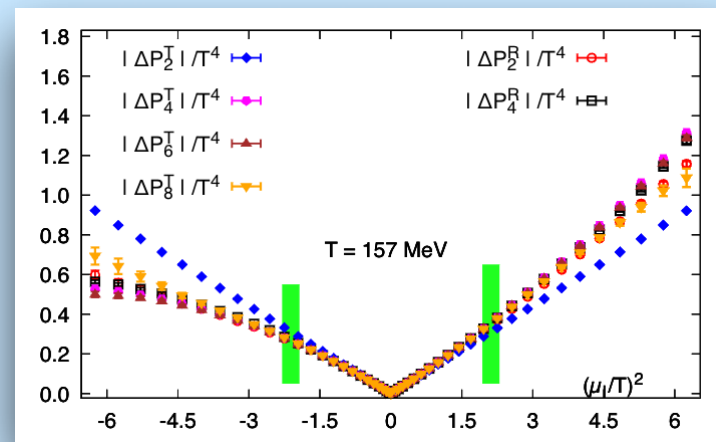
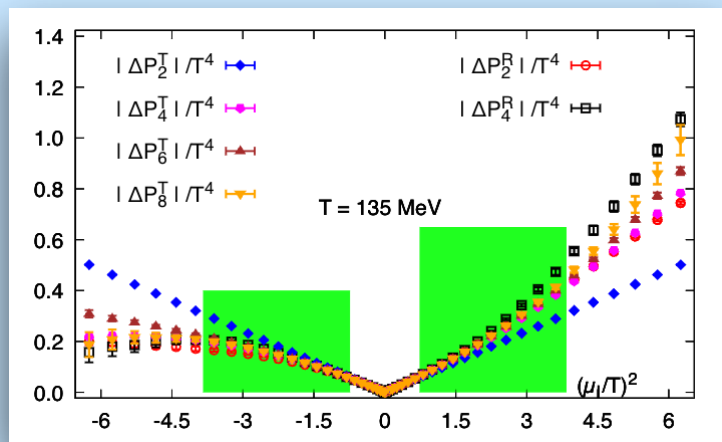
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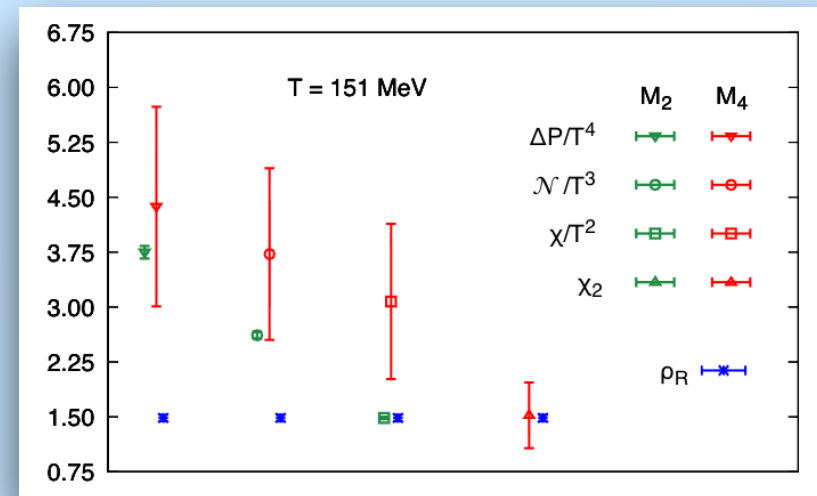
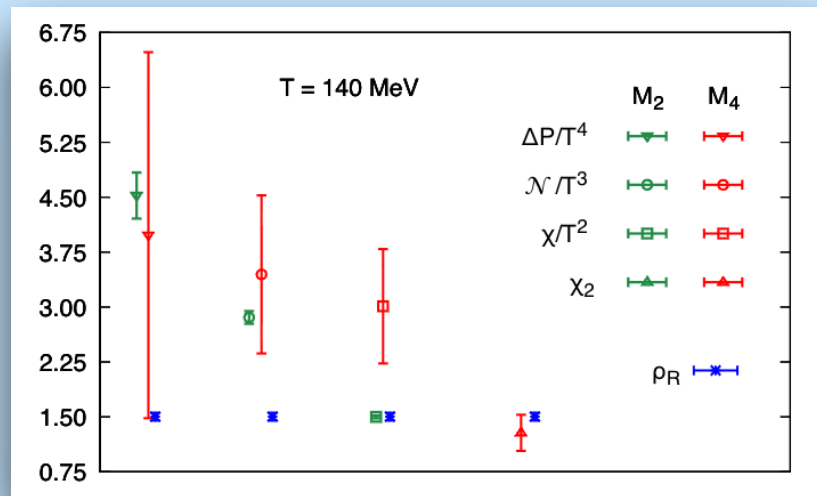
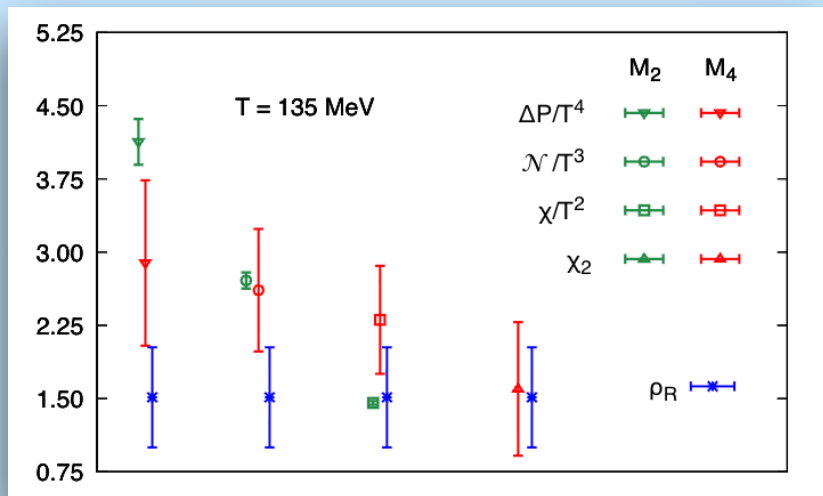
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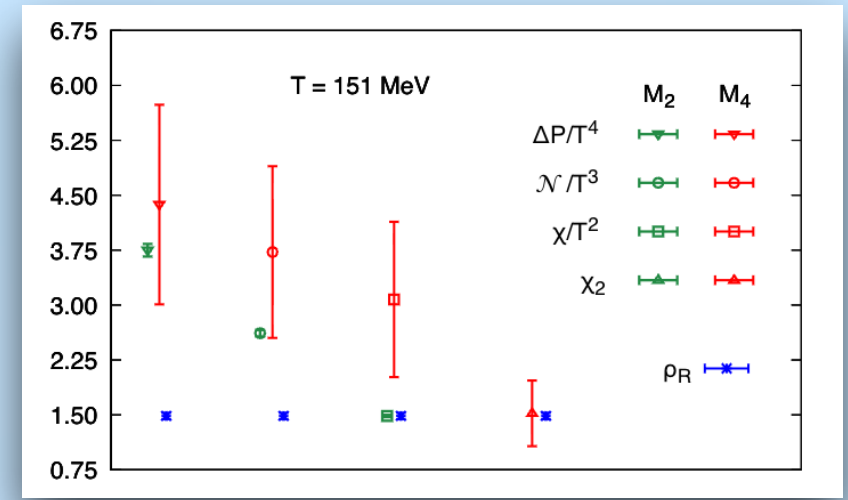
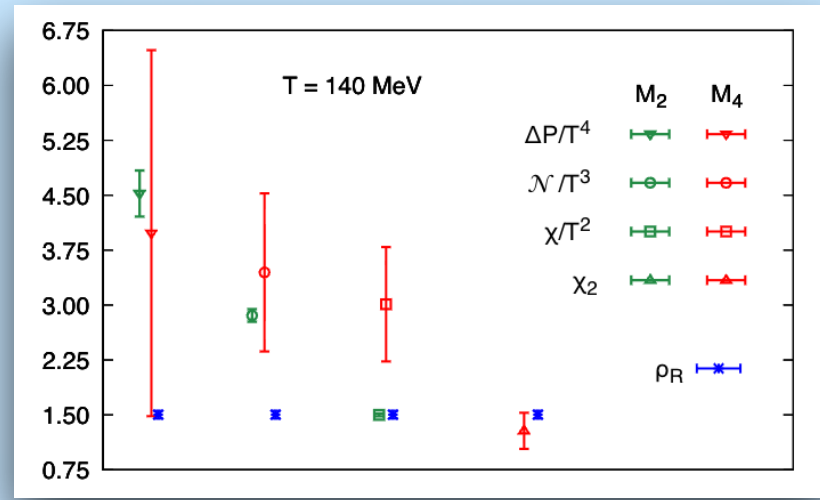
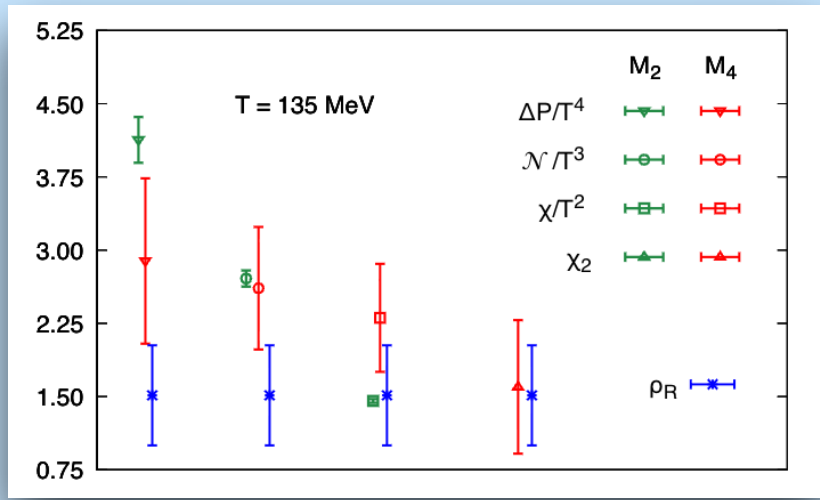
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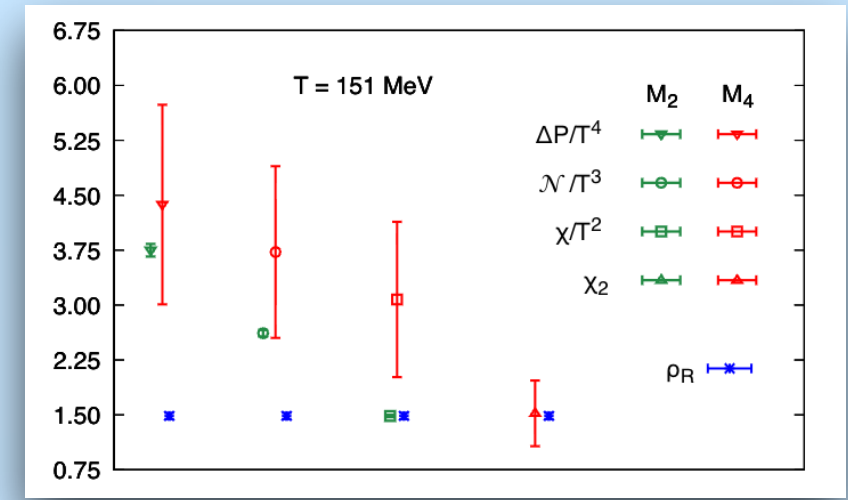
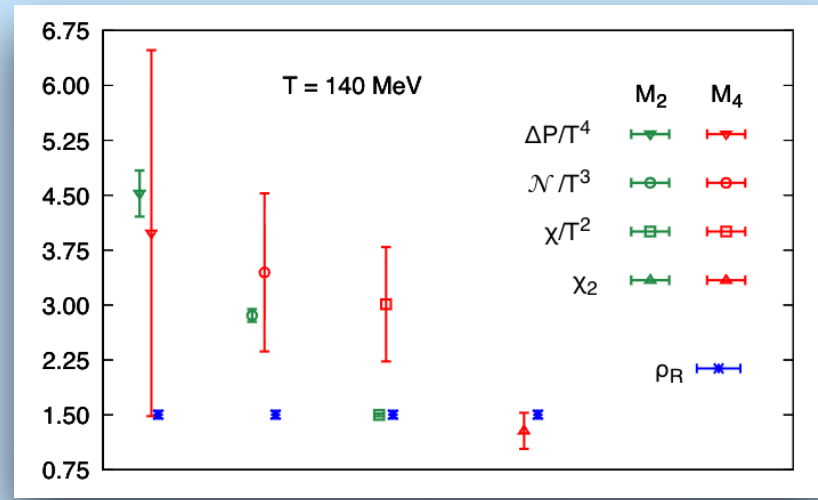
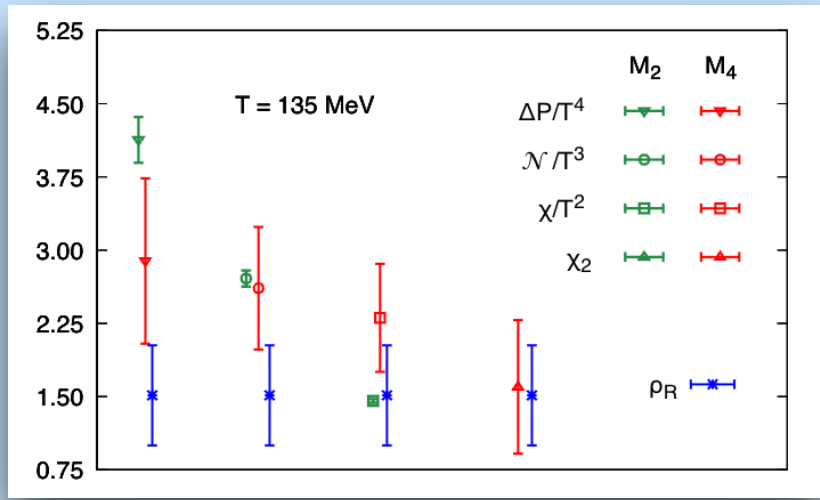


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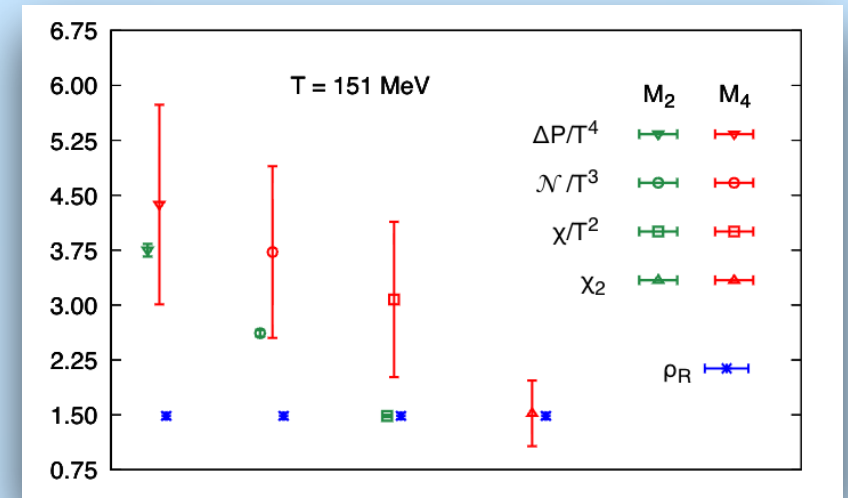
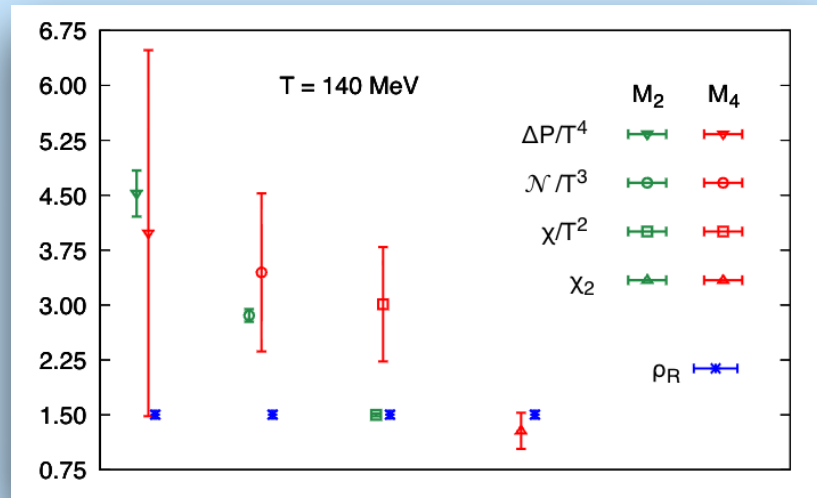
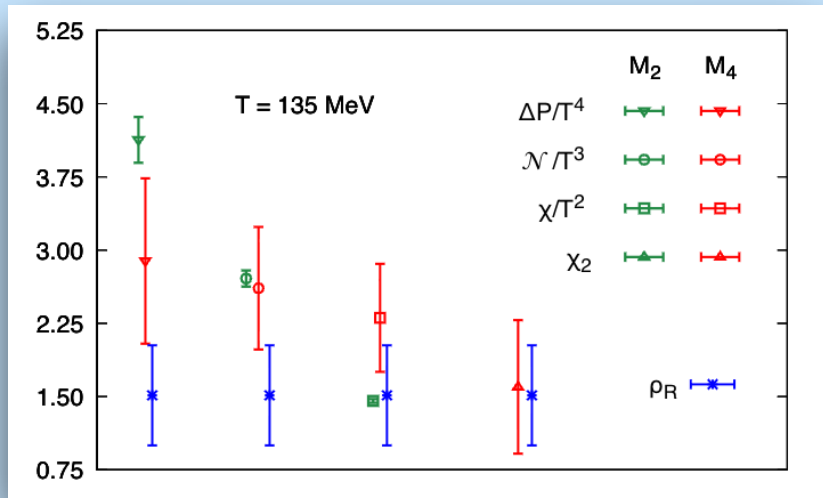


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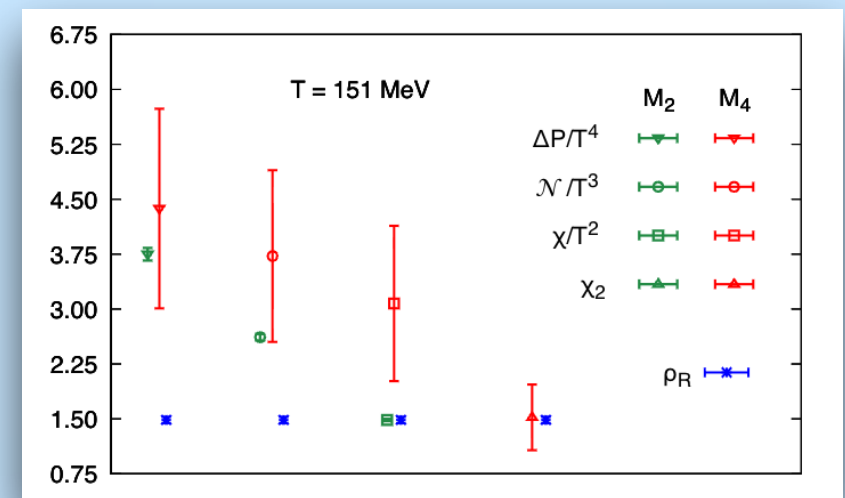
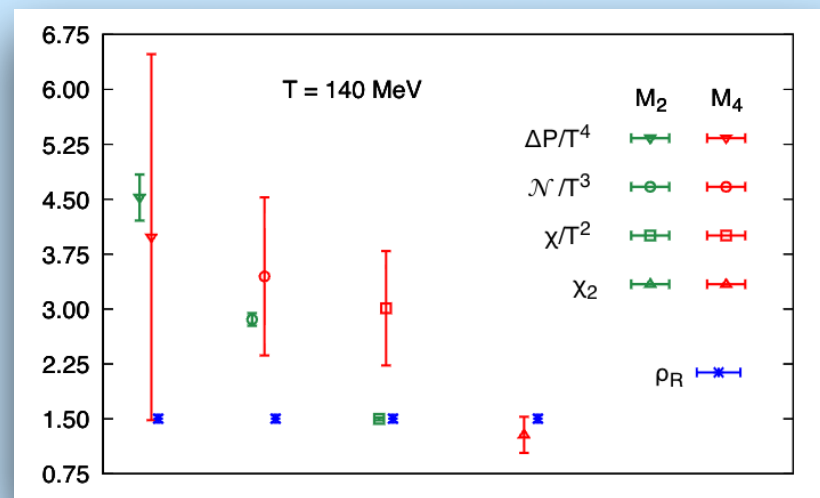
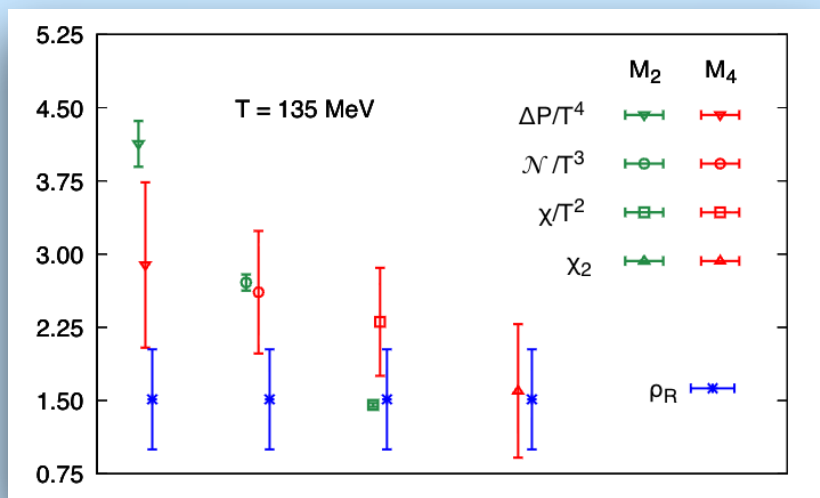
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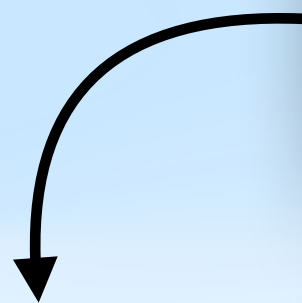
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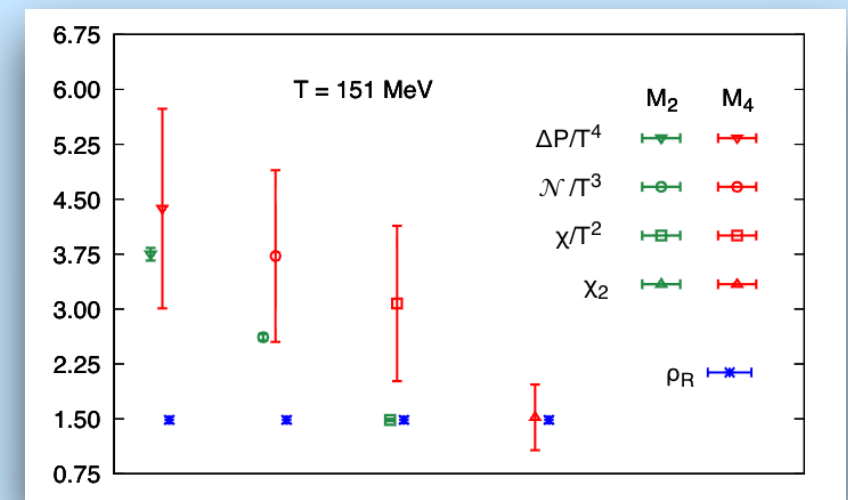
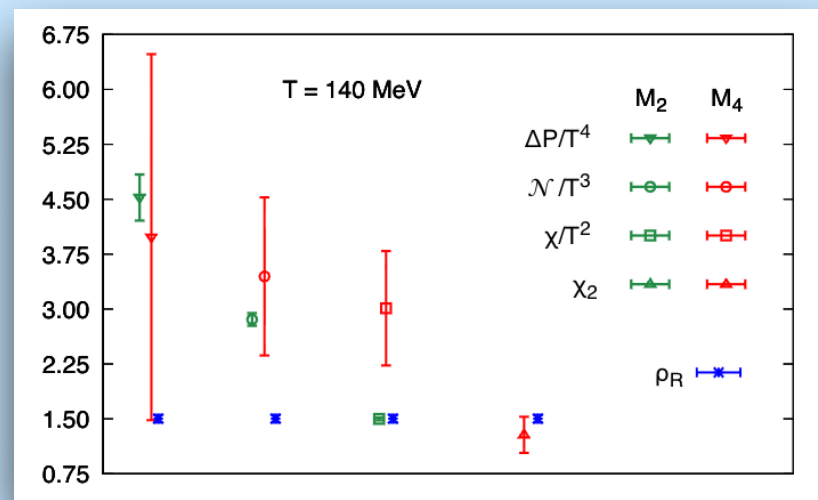
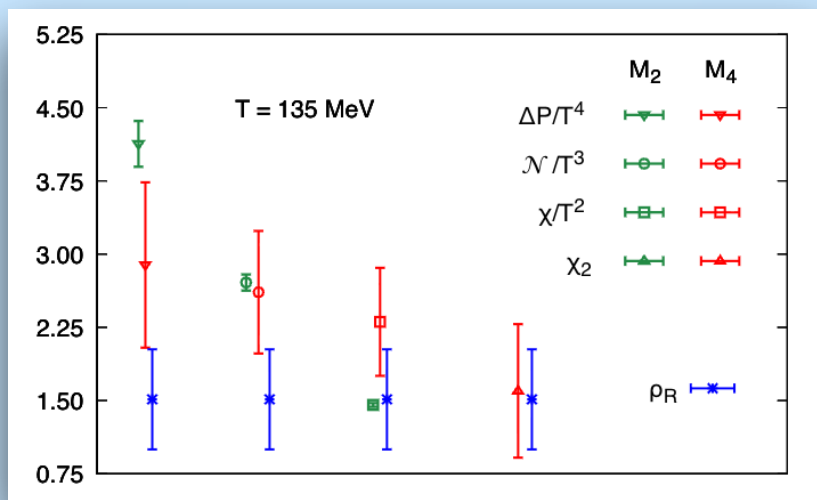
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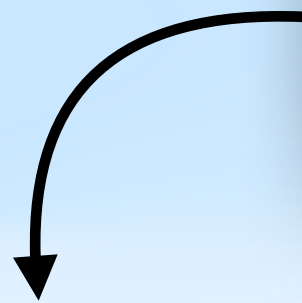
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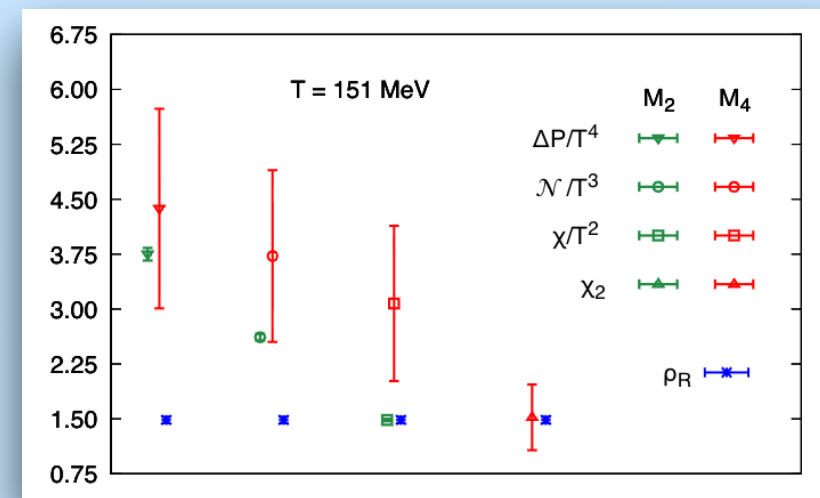
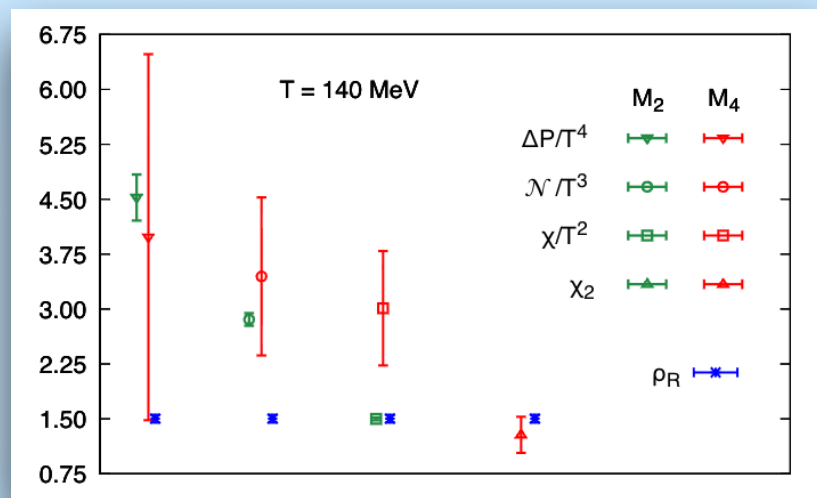
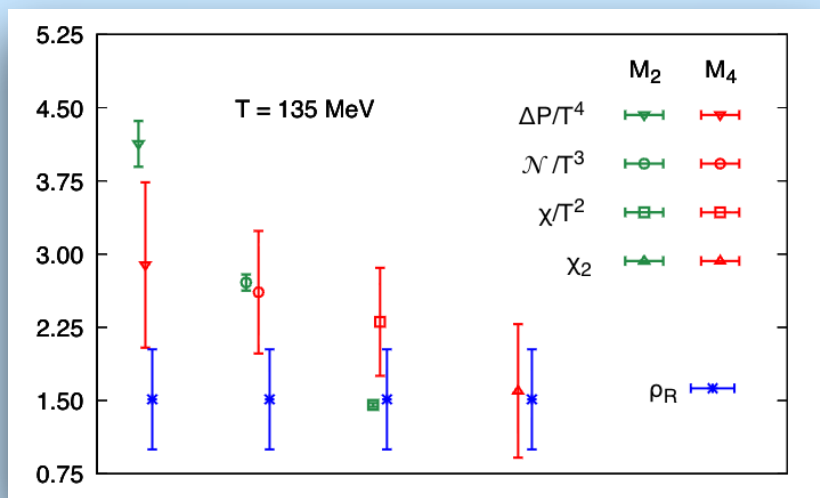


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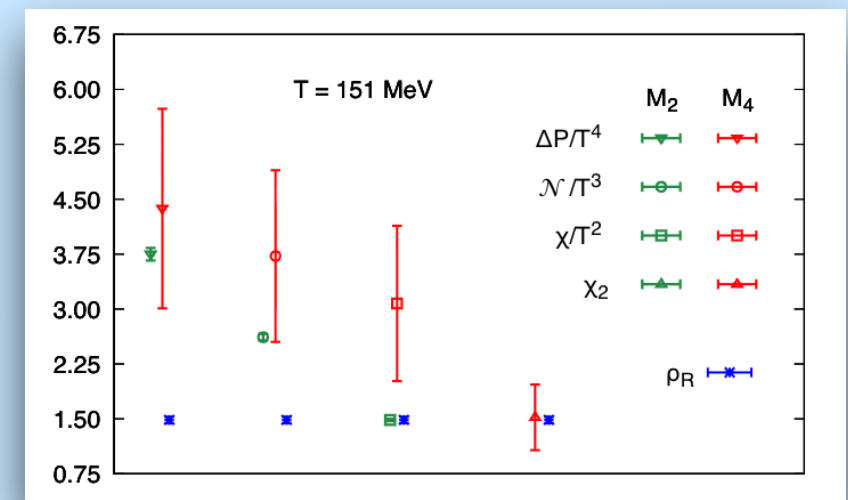
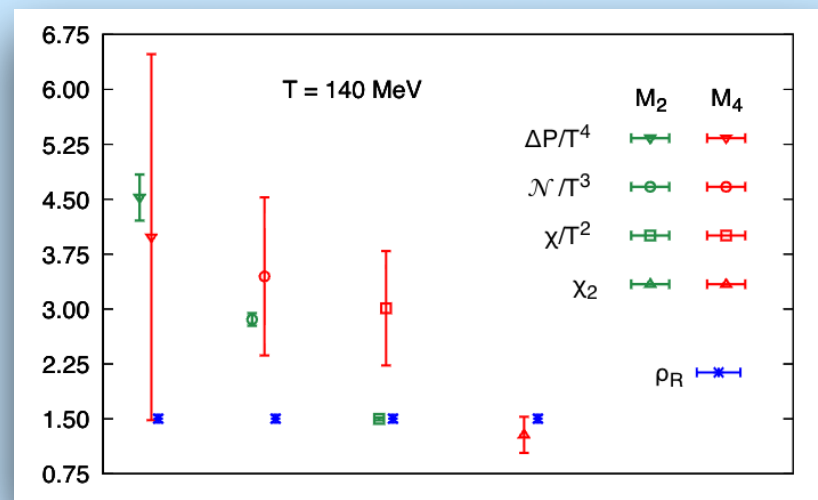
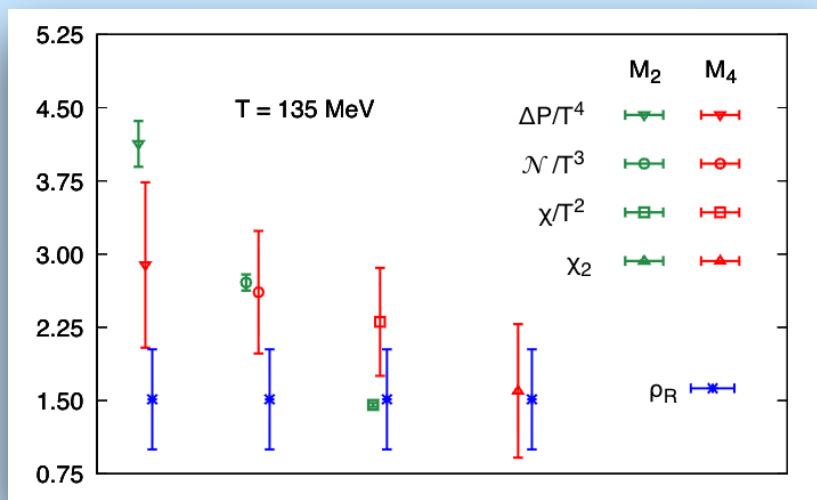
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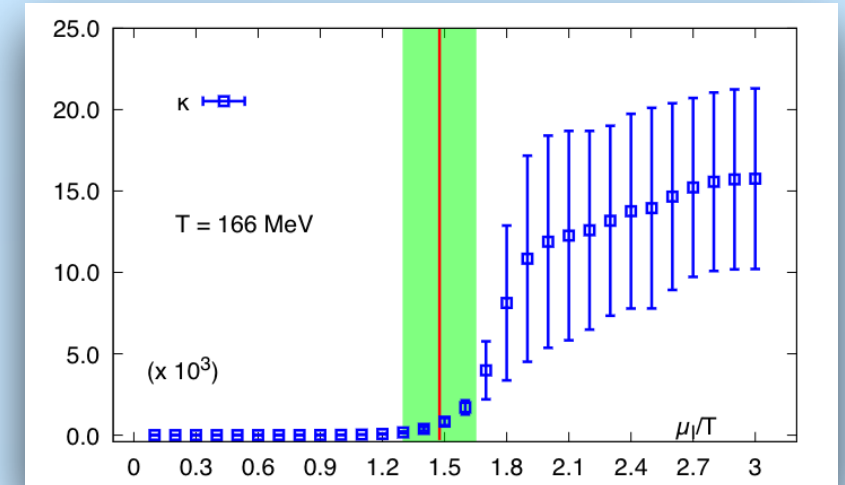
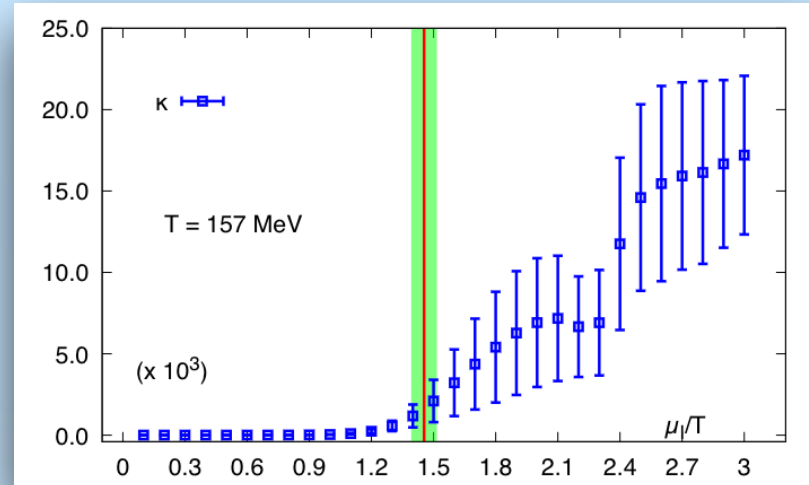
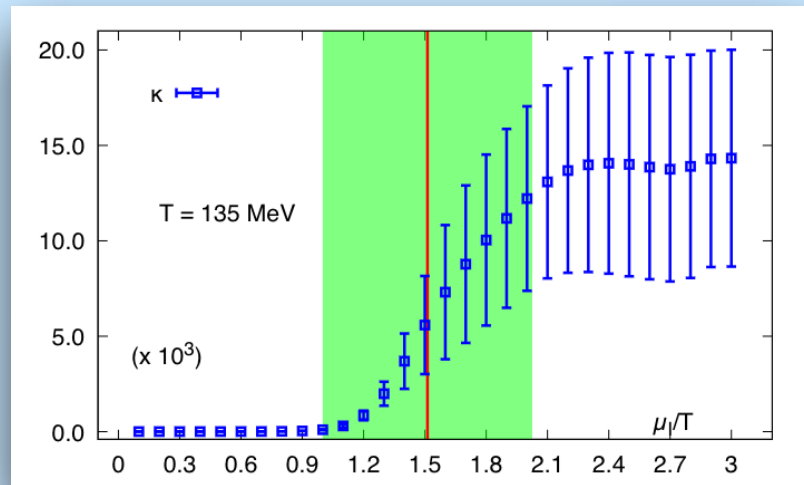
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