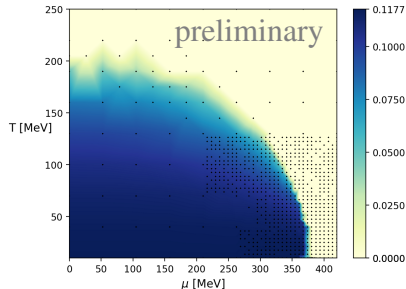


Towards resolving the QCD phase structure with Discontinuous Galerkin Methods

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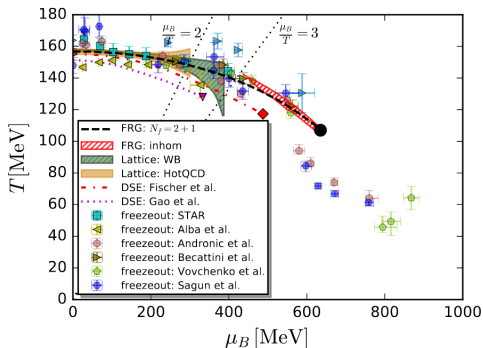


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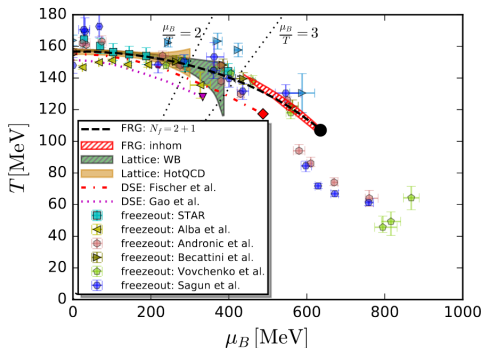


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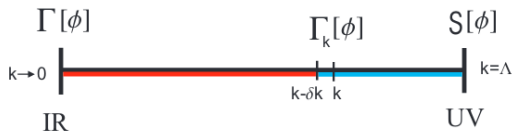
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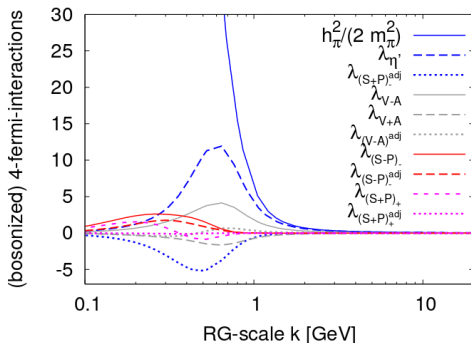
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Successive integration of momentum shells:

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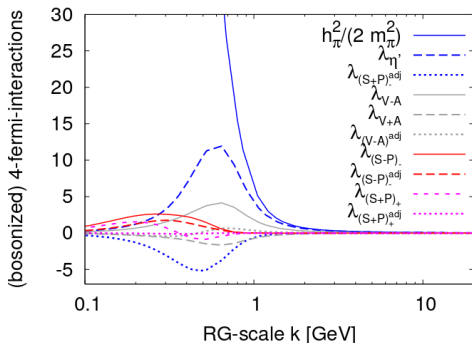
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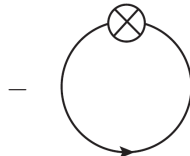
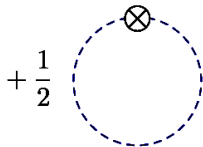
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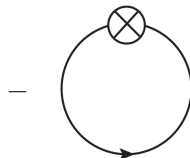
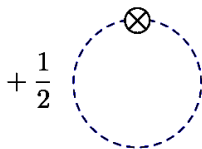
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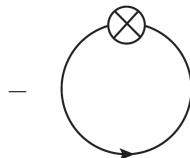
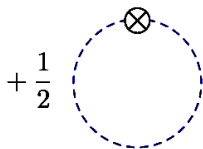


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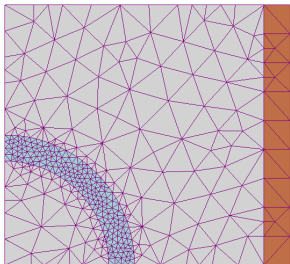
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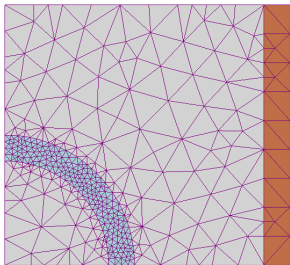
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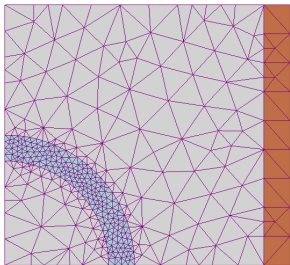
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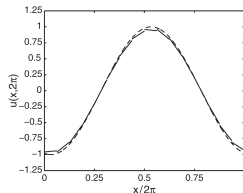
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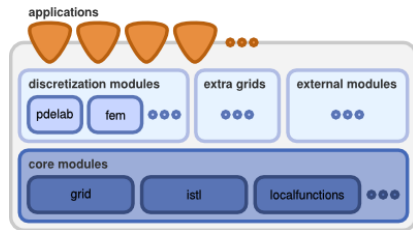
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Discontinuous Galerkin
Methods

Implementation

Dune

Distributed and Unified Numerics Environment

- Modular toolbox (C++)
 - Variety of grids (1D, 2D ...).
 - Implementations of FEM, FVM, DG.
 - Various time-stepping modules
- Large-scale computing



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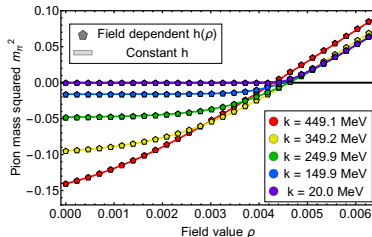
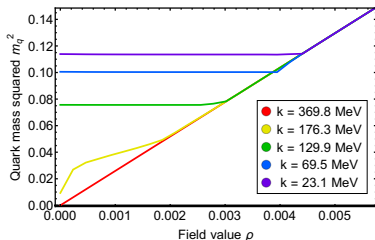
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Large-N limit ($N_f \rightarrow \infty$), solve additionally for $m_q^2 = 2\rho h(\rho)^2 = v(\rho)$:

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$$\partial_t v - a(u) \partial_x v + L(u, v, x) = 0$$

RG-Time Evolution of the Masses



Initial conditions:

$$m_\pi^2 = 0 \rho + \lambda \rho^2$$

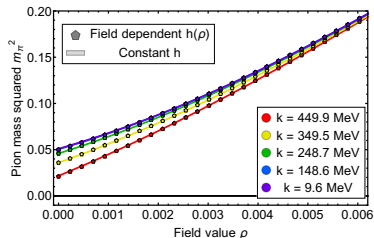
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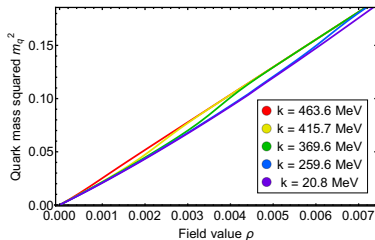
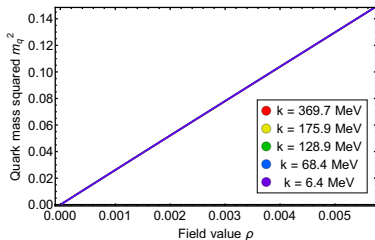
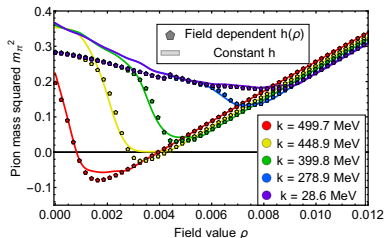
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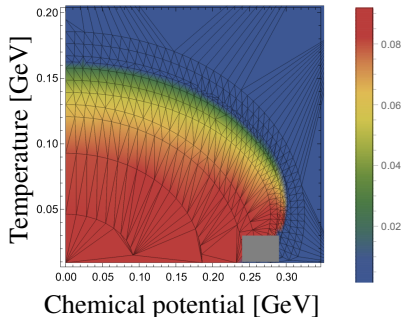
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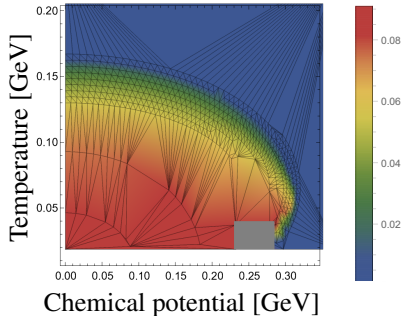
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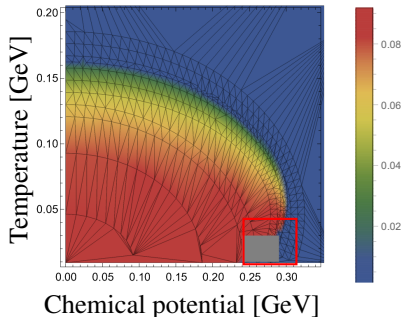
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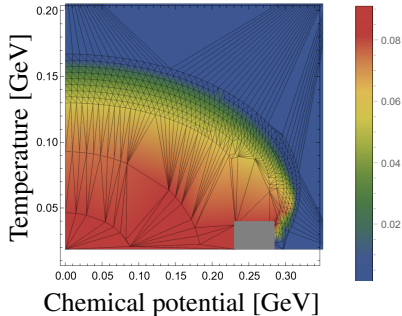
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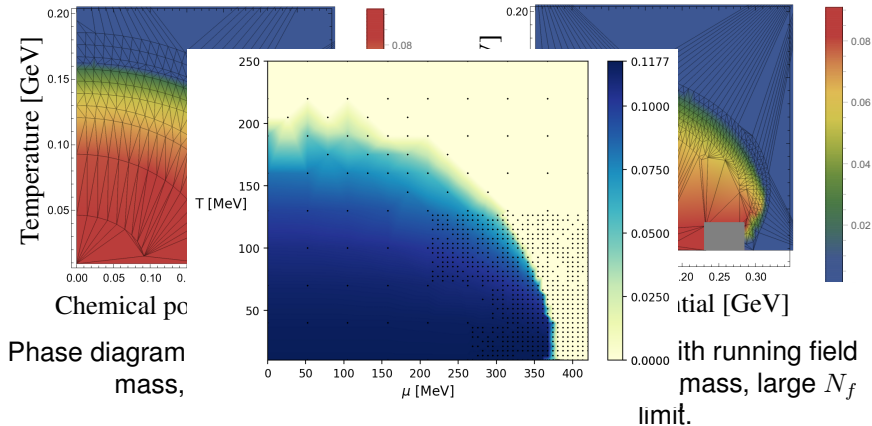
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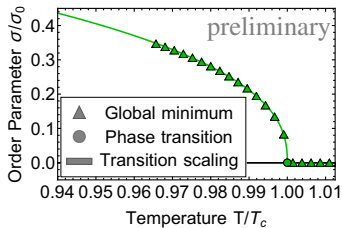
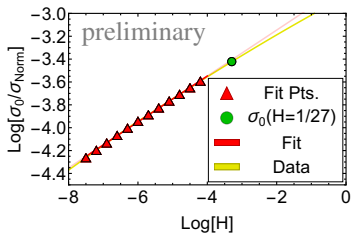
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Chiral Crossover Transition

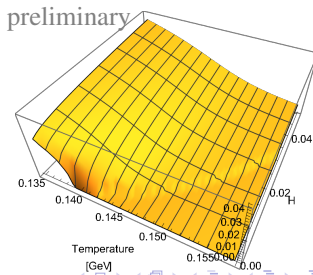
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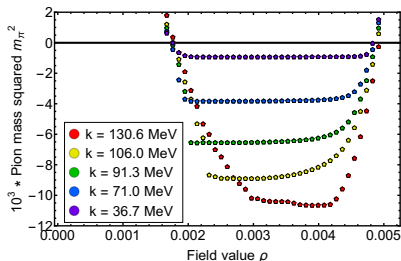
$$\beta = 0.4028(33)$$

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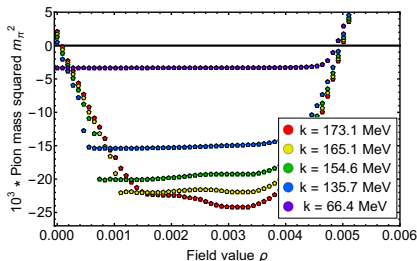
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Shock Development for $N_f \rightarrow \infty$



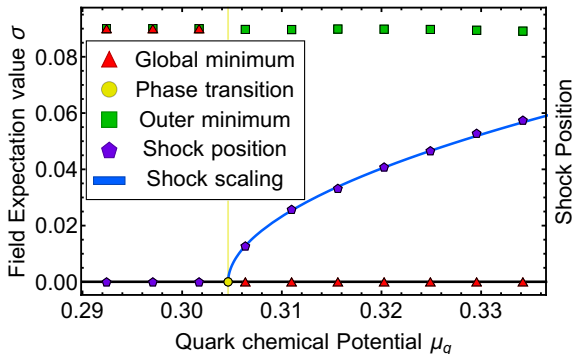
Derivative of the potential in the symmetric phase.



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Transition driven by particle density μ_q .

- $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle$ undergoes a first order phase transition.
- Hidden second order phase transition of the shock position.

Parameter	Critical chemical potential
χ^2 -Fit	0.30460(33)

Dealing with Diffusion: LDG-Methods

⇒ Solve explicitly for $m_\sigma^2 = \partial_\rho V(\rho) + 2\rho\partial_\rho^2 V(\rho) = w(\rho)$

$$\partial_t u - \partial_x (F(u) + G(w)) = 0$$

$$\partial_t w - \partial_x (H(u, w) + xa(w)\partial_x w) = 0$$

⇒ Introduce a stationary equation:

$$0 = v - \partial_x j(w), \quad j(w) = \int_v \sqrt{a(s)} ds$$

Riemann problem for an $O(1)$ model
in 0+0 dim (in the 2nd derivative):

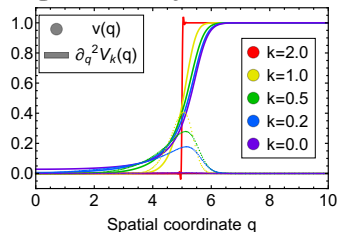
$$\partial_t u = \partial_x \left(\sqrt{a(t, v)} v \right)$$

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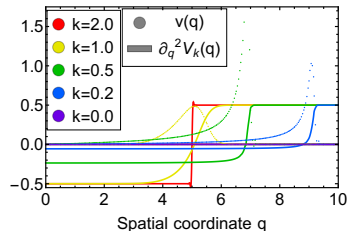
- Slopes travel with convection.
- Slopes smooth out with diffusion.

⇒ What happens to Shocks?

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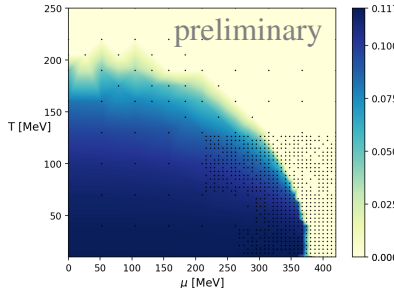
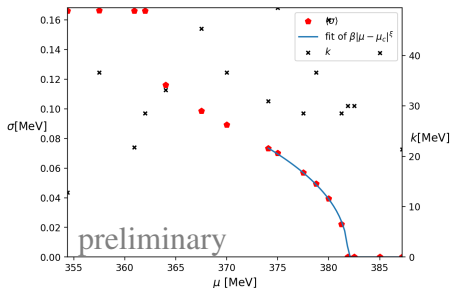


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A first look at the Quark-Meson model



- Open technical issue: shock development & convexity
- Diffusion smooths phase transition
⇒ Strong dynamics

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Conclusion

- Shock development within the 1st order regime in the large- N_f limit.
- Diffusion shifts the shock to second derivative at finite N_f .

- Discontinuities may heavily influence the position of the QCD phase transition at high densities.

Discontinuous methods are necessary to capture full physics!

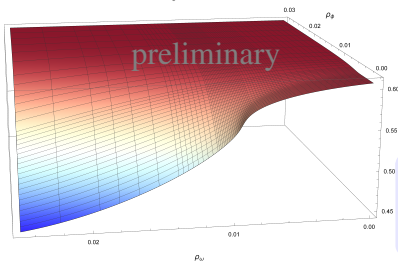
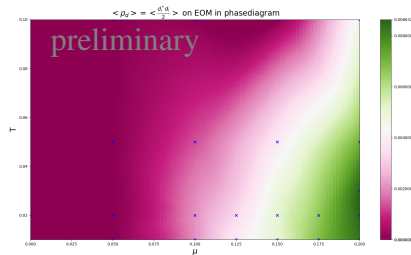
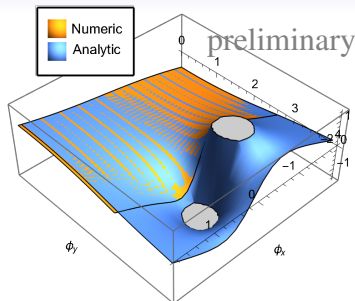
Conclusion

- Shock development within the 1st order regime in the large- N_f limit.
- Diffusion shifts the shock to second derivative at finite N_f .

- Discontinuities may heavily influence the position of the QCD phase transition at high densities.

Discontinuous methods are necessary to capture full physics!

Results are right around the corner!



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Thank you for
your attention!

- Evaluate at constant fields:

$$\phi = (\sigma, \vec{\pi}) = (\sigma_0, \vec{0})$$

$$q = \bar{q} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{LHS simplifies to: } \partial_t \Gamma[\phi] = \int d^d x \partial_t V_k(\rho),$$

with $\rho = \phi^2/2$.

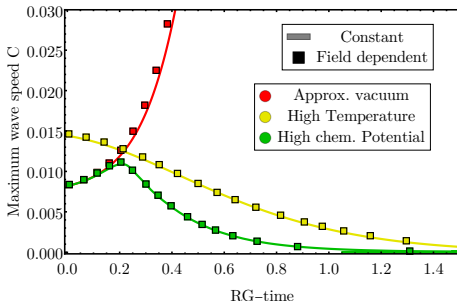
- Compute the second derivatives $\Gamma_k^{(2)}$ for the RHS:

$$\Gamma_{\sigma\sigma,k}^{(2)}[\phi](p) = p^2 + V_k'(\rho) + 2\rho V_k''(\rho)$$

$$\Gamma_{\pi_i\pi_i,k}^{(2)}[\phi](p) = p^2 + V_k'(\rho)$$

$$\Gamma_{\bar{q}q,k}^{(2)}[\phi](p) = \gamma_\mu p_\mu + h_k(\rho)\sigma_0$$

Time-stepping



Wavespeed f_{max} : Biggest contribution to the conservative flux.

CFL-Conditions:

$$\Delta t \leq \frac{\Delta x}{(2N + 1)} \frac{1}{f_{max}}$$

With maximum wavespeed:

$$f_{max} \geq \max_{D\{i,i+1\}} |\partial_u f(u)|$$

Large-N Flow Equations

Flow equation of the pion mass:

$$\partial_t m_{\pi,k}^2 = \partial_\rho \left[\frac{k^5}{12\pi^2} \left\{ \frac{N_\pi}{\epsilon_k^\pi} (1 + 2n_B(\epsilon_k^\pi)) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - \frac{4 \times 2 \times 3}{\epsilon_k^q} (1 - n_f(\epsilon_k^q + \mu) - n_f(\epsilon_k^q - \mu)) \right\} \right].$$

Flow of the quark mass:

$$\partial_t m_{q,k}^2 = A(m_{\pi,k}^2) \partial_\rho m_{q,k}^2 + \frac{m_{q,k}^2}{\rho} \left[m_{q,k}^2 B(m_{q,k}^2, m_{\pi,k}^2) - A(m_{\pi,k}^2) \right],$$

with

$$A(m_{\pi,k}^2; T, \mu) = -2N_\pi v_3 k^2 l_1^{(B,4)}(m_{\pi,k}^2; T),$$

$$B(m_{q,k}^2, m_{\pi,k}^2; T, \mu) = -4N_\pi v_3 L_{(1,1)}^{(4)}(m_{q,k}^2, m_{\pi,k}^2; T, \mu),$$