

# Strongly Interacting matter under charge neutrality and beta equilibrium

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## previous works

1. The phase structure of charge neutral quark matter under  $\beta$  equilibrium is studied for a wide range of quark-quark coupling strength within a four fermion model. [Abuki, Kunihiro, Nucl. Phys.A 768, 2006 118-159]
2. The study of phase diagram and pion modes of electrically neutral 2 flavour quark matter within PNJL model. [Abuki et al, PRD 78 014002, 2008]
3. Phase diagram of 2 flavour quark matter under neutron star constraints for a non local covariant quark model. [Dumm et al, Eur. Phys J.A 31, 2007]
4. The study of dense charge neutral 3 flavour quark matter within NJL model. [Buballa, PRD 72 034004, 2005]

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- In presence of dynamical quarks: indicator of phase transition.



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where,  $\sigma_f = \langle \bar{\psi}_f \psi_f \rangle$   $E_f = \sqrt{p^2 + M_f^2}$  with,

$$M_f = m_f - 2g_S \sigma_f + \frac{g_D}{2} \sigma_{f+1} \sigma_{f+2}$$

For the Polyakov loop part we have,

$$\frac{\mathcal{U}'(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}, T)}{T^4} = \frac{\mathcal{U}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}, T)}{T^4} - \kappa \ln[J(\Phi, \bar{\Phi})]$$

with,

$$\frac{\mathcal{U}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}, T)}{T^4} = -\frac{b_2(T)}{2} \bar{\Phi} \Phi - \frac{b_3}{6} (\Phi^3 + \bar{\Phi}^3) + \frac{b_4}{4} (\bar{\Phi} \Phi)^2$$

$$b_2(T) = a_0 + a_1 \left(\frac{T_0}{T}\right) + a_2 \left(\frac{T_0}{T}\right)^2 + a_3 \left(\frac{T_0}{T}\right)^3$$

$b_3$  and  $b_4$  is constant. [Pisarski et al. PRD 62 111501(R), 2000]

$J[\Phi, \bar{\Phi}]$  is the Jacobian of transformation from Wilson line  $L$  to  $(\phi, \bar{\phi})$

$$J[\Phi, \bar{\Phi}] = (27/24\pi^2)(1 - 6\Phi\bar{\Phi} + 4(\Phi^3 + \bar{\Phi}^3) - 3(\Phi\bar{\Phi})^2)$$

$J(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}) \implies$  Vander Monde determinant. [Ghosh et al, PRD 77, 094024, 2008]

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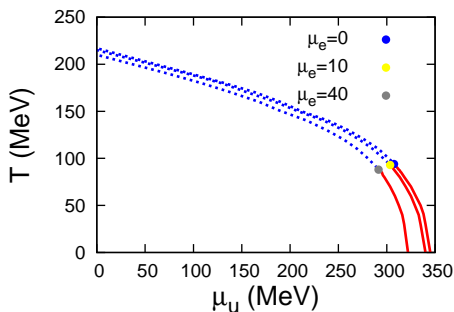
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- Study the phase diagram considering the constraint of beta equilibrium.

# Phase diagram

The QCD phase diagram for matter under beta equilibrium is obtained for different electron chemical potentials.

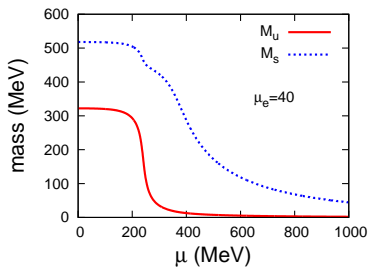
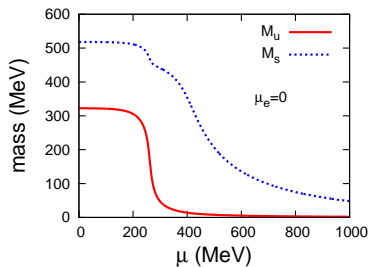


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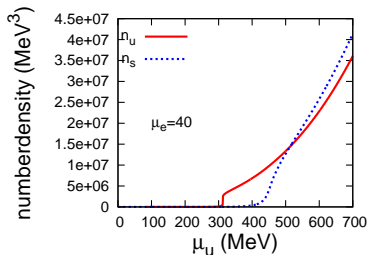
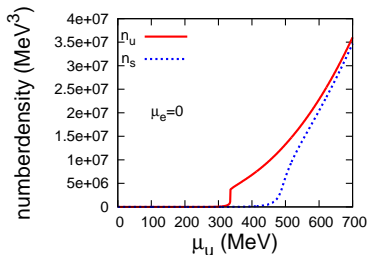
$$\mu_e = 0 \rightarrow (307, 94); \mu_e = 10 \rightarrow (303, 93); \mu_e = 40 \rightarrow (291, 88)$$



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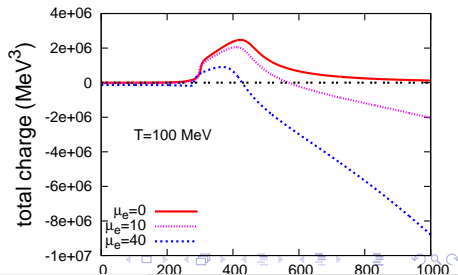
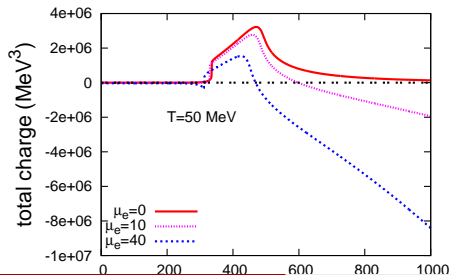


For  $\mu_e = 0$ ,  $n_u > n_s$  due to heavy strange mass, at high  $\mu$  the mass effect is negligible.

For  $\mu_e \neq 0$ , at low  $\mu$  similar situation. At high  $\mu$  regime  $\mu_s > \mu_u$  condition dominates;  $n_s > n_u$ .

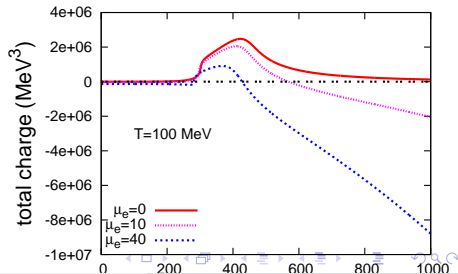
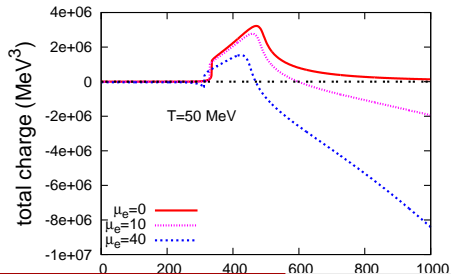
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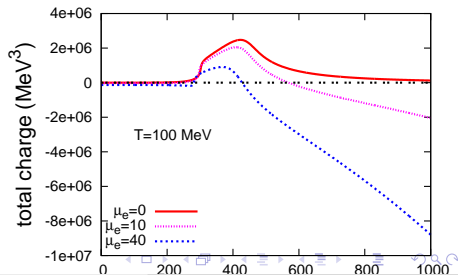
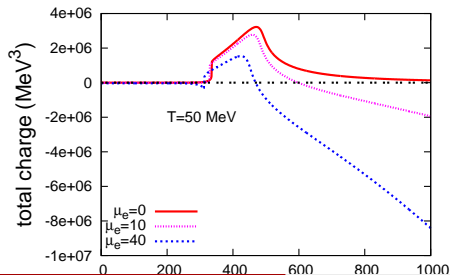
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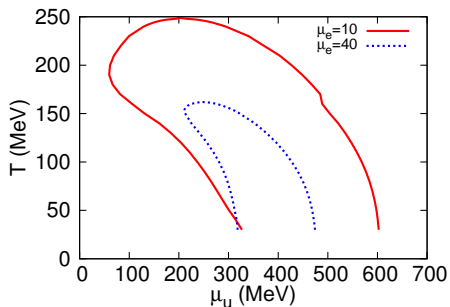
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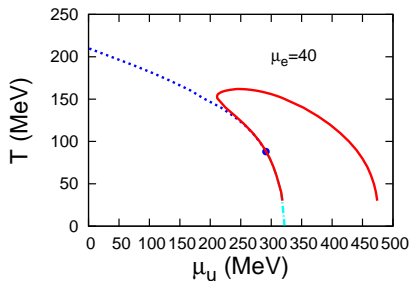
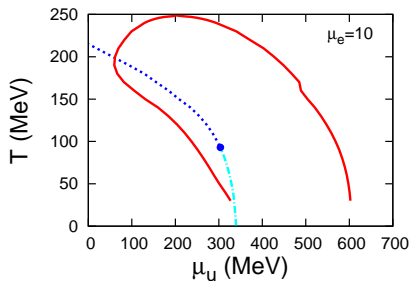
$$\mu_d = \mu_u + \mu_e; \mu_s = \mu_d$$



The charge neutral contour for different electron chemical potential is obtained.

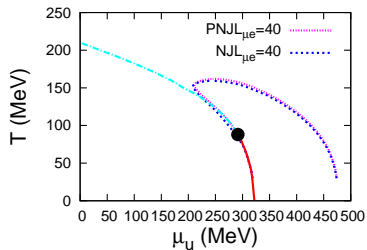
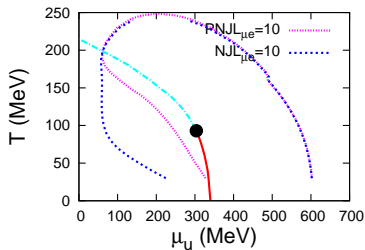


The location of charge neutral contour with respect to the phase diagram is obtained.



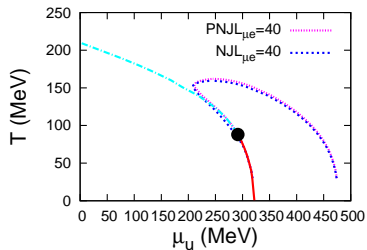
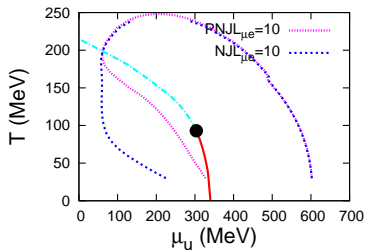
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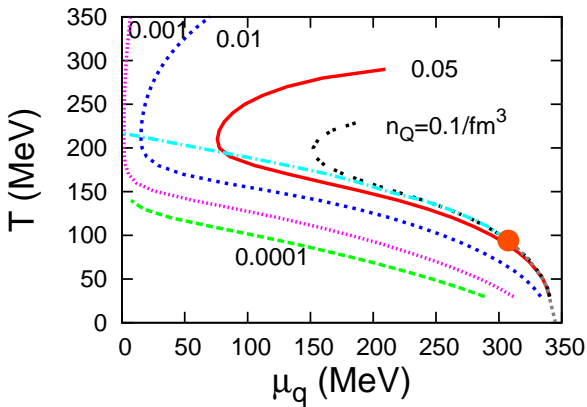




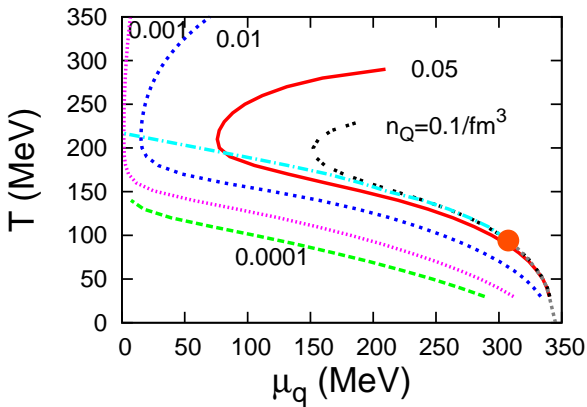
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# Summary

Quark-hadron phase transition in neutron star: implication of beta equilibrium on the phase diagram.

The study is done within the frame work of 2+1 flavour PNJL model. Charge neutral contour in the  $T - \mu$  plane, with respect to the phase diagram is obtained.

The total charge going to negative as increasing chemical potential.

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