

# Baryon chemical potential in large-N QCD

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- “Solving two-dimensional large-N QCD with a nonzero density of baryons and arbitrary quark mass”  
[BB, arXiv:0901.4035](#)
- “Volume dependence of two-dimensional large-N QCD with a nonzero density of baryons.”  
[BB, arXiv:0811.4141](#)
- “The sign problem in two-dimensional large-N QCD”  
[BB, in progress....](#)

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- Look for a gauge theory with
  - a sign problem at nonzero density
  - a smooth large-N limit.

But that can be solved exactly !

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## Goal of study :

Solve large- $N$  `t Hooft model with arbitrary :

quark mass  $m$ , volume  $L$ , baryon number  $B$ , incorporating “0-modes”.

- Hope to understand general features of QCD at nonzero  $B$  :

- Characteristics of phase diagram ?
- Sign-problem ?
- Large- $N$  “quenched” confusions :  
are sea quark suppressed or not ?  
**confusion resolved, but will not discuss it here :**
  - While quarks do not back-react on gauge fields, they are not quenched.
  - Naive planar diagram analysis is miss-leading.

# Outline

I. Formalism : Hamiltonian, gauge fixing, Gauss law.

II. Large-N coherent state :  $H_{\text{quantum}} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{\text{classical}}$

Remarks on some features of  $\mathcal{H}_{\text{classical}}(L)$

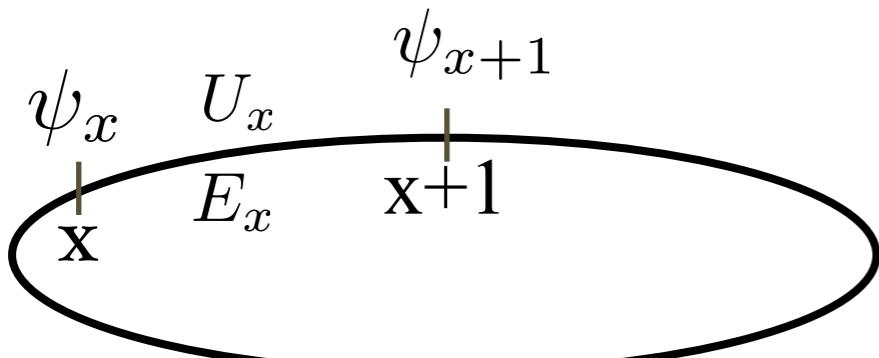
III. Results from  $\min(\mathcal{H}_{\text{classical}})$

IV. Numerical experiments with sign problem at large-N.

V. Conclusions + some ideas.



# Hamiltonian QCD in 1+1



$$U_x = U_{x+L_s}$$

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Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{x=1}^{L_s} [g^2 \operatorname{Tr} E_x^2 + (-i\psi_x^\dagger U_x \psi_{x+1} + \text{h.c.}) + m (-1)^x \psi_x^\dagger \psi_x]$$

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Gauss Law

$$D E = \rho \quad : \quad E_x^{ab} - \left( U_{x-1} E_{x-1} U_{x-1}^\dagger \right)^{ab} = \rho_x^{ab}$$

# “Fixing” Axial gauge

- Gauge away  $U_x$ , but get left with  $\varphi_a$  :  $\text{Eig} \left[ \prod_x U_x \right] = e^{i\varphi_a}$
- Hamiltonian :

$$H_F \rightarrow \sum_{x=1}^{L_s} \sum_a \left[ \left( -i \psi_x^{\dagger a} e^{i\varphi_a/L_s} \psi_{x+1}^a + \text{h.c.} \right) + m (-1)^x \psi_x^{\dagger a} \psi_x^a \right]$$

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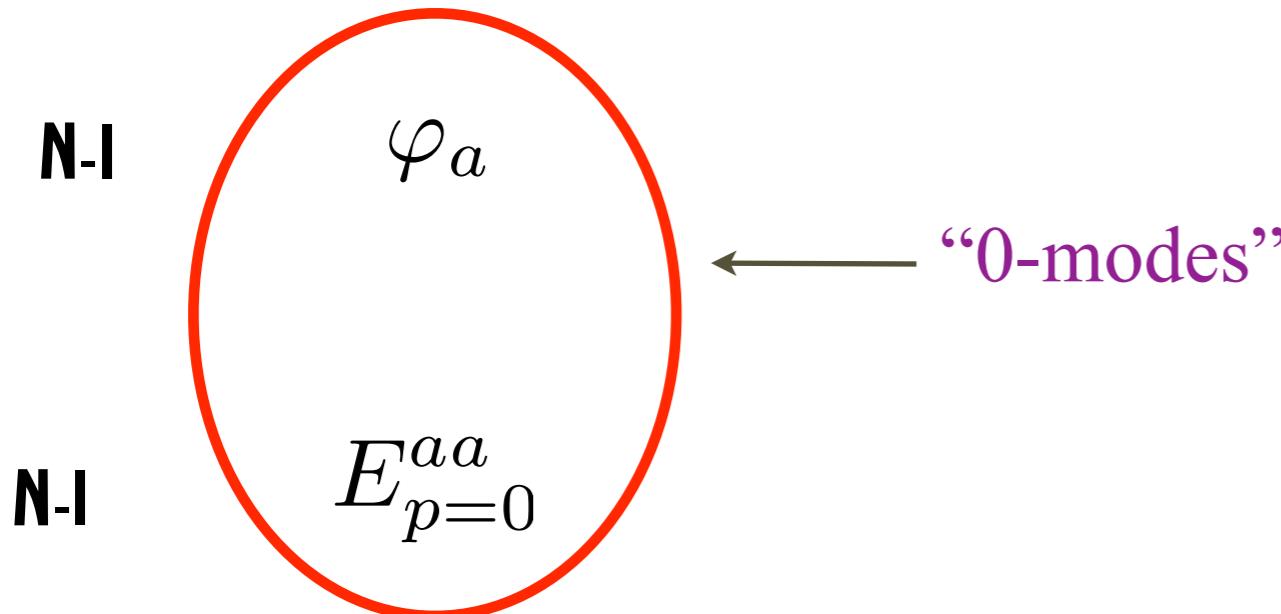
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# Re-cap :

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Hilbert space :

$$\sum_x \psi_x^{\dagger a} \psi_x^a = B$$

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Large- $N$  QCD is simpler than 3-color QCD

mesons and glueballs do not interact, baryons are classical, no decays, no fluctuations, ....

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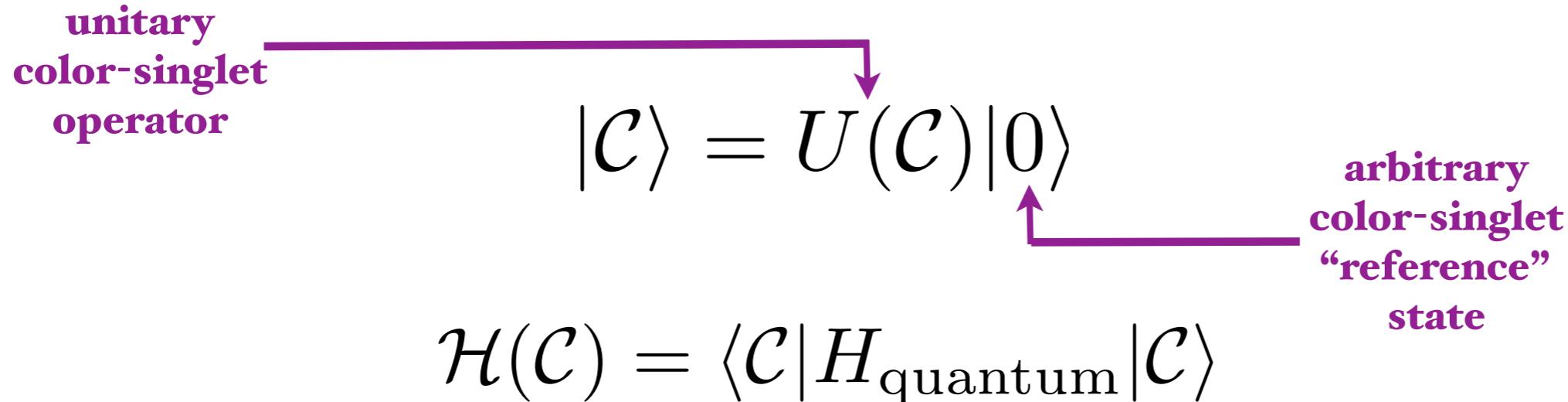
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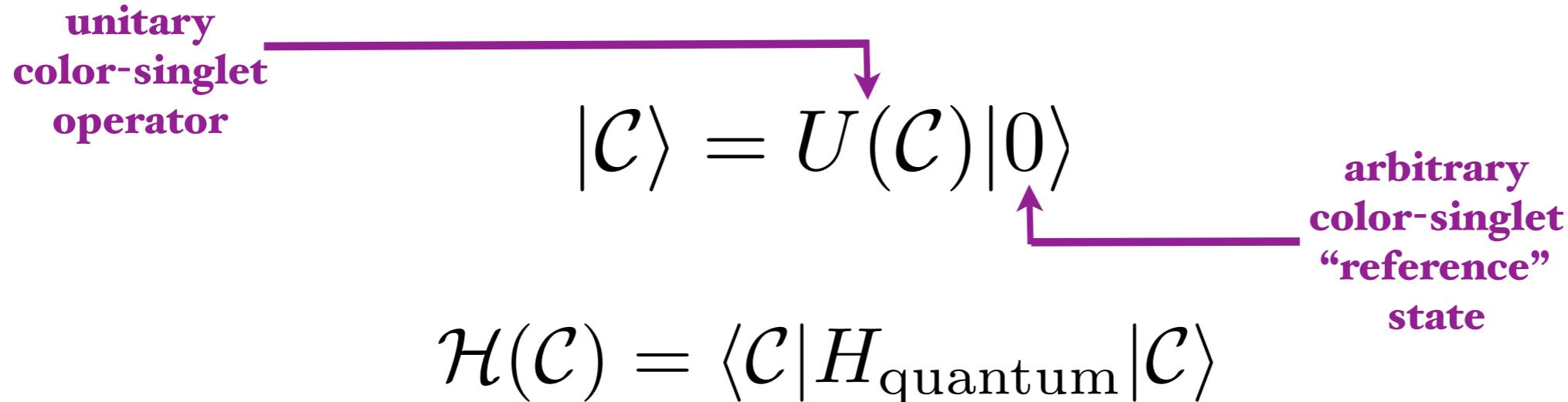


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- Glue : can actually solve exactly (for finite- $N$ )  $Z_N$  vacuum of

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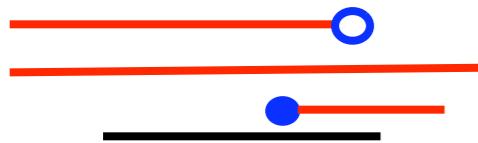
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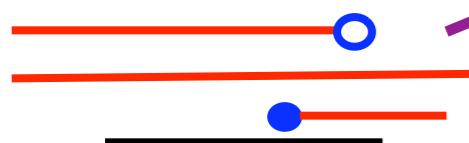
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$$\forall q : \left\langle \sum_a e^{iq\varphi_a} \right\rangle = N \quad \longrightarrow \quad \rho_{xy}^Q \rightarrow \rho_{xy}$$

No L independence : wrong

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- In practice

$$M = 1, 5, 15, 25$$

$$m/\sqrt{\lambda} \simeq 0.02, 0.2, 0.4, 1.2, 2.4$$

$$L_s = 130 - 500$$

$$B = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 30$$

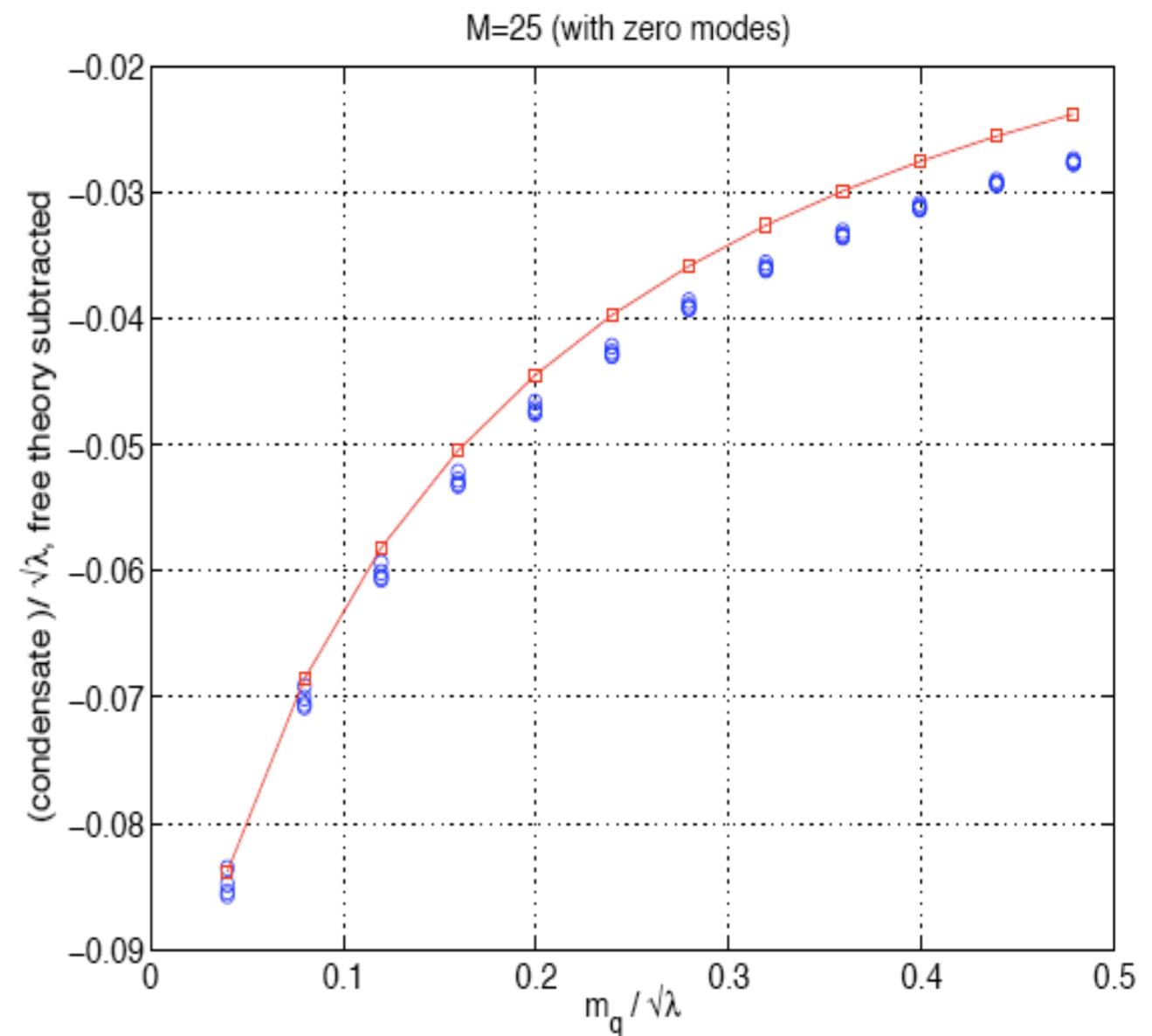
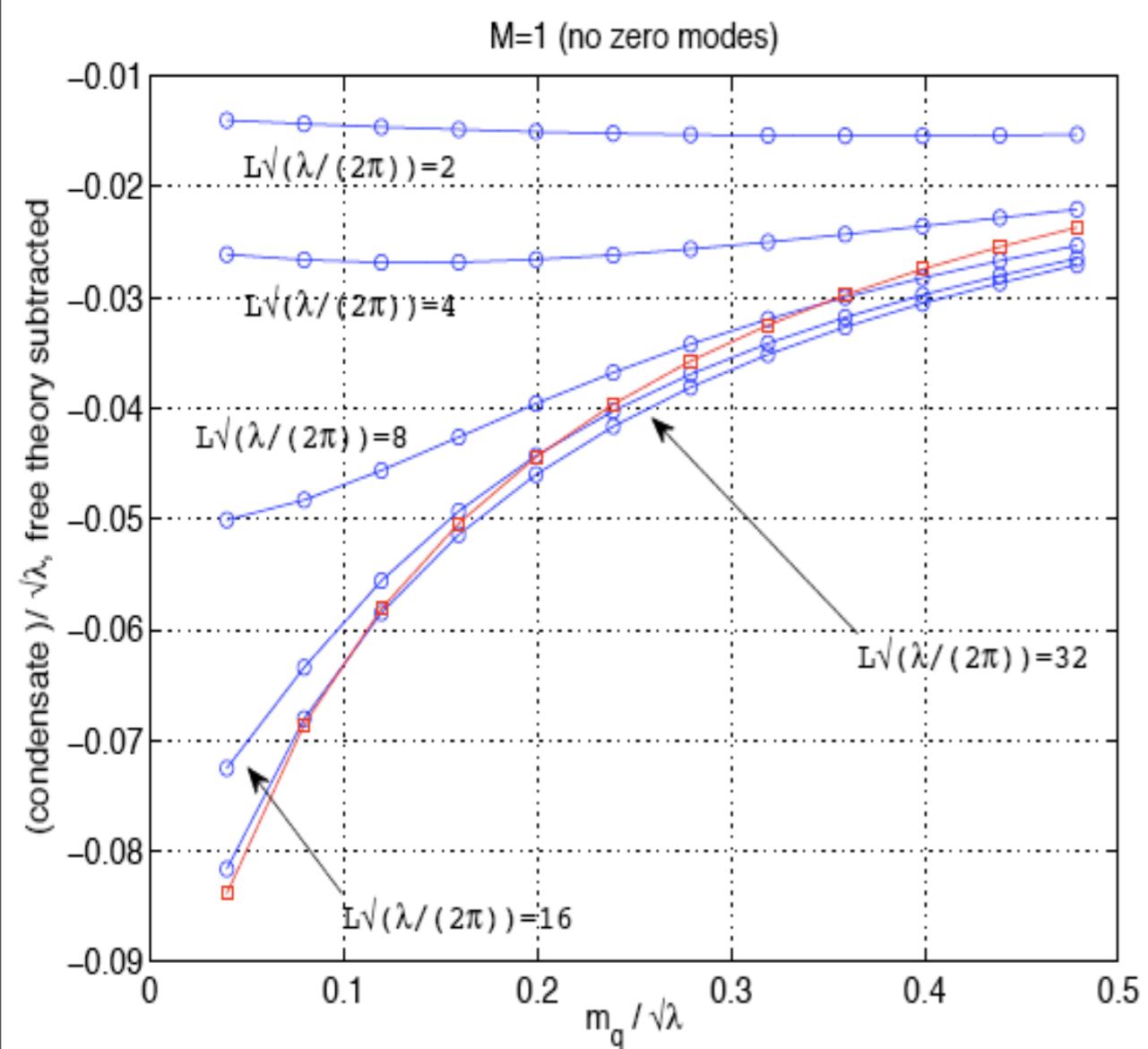
$$a\sqrt{\lambda} \simeq 0.62, 0.31, 0.15, 0.07$$

$$0 \leq n_B/\sqrt{\lambda} \lesssim 1.5$$

$$2 \lesssim L\sqrt{\lambda} \lesssim 80$$

$$0 \leq \frac{\mu_B}{m_B/N} \lesssim 10$$

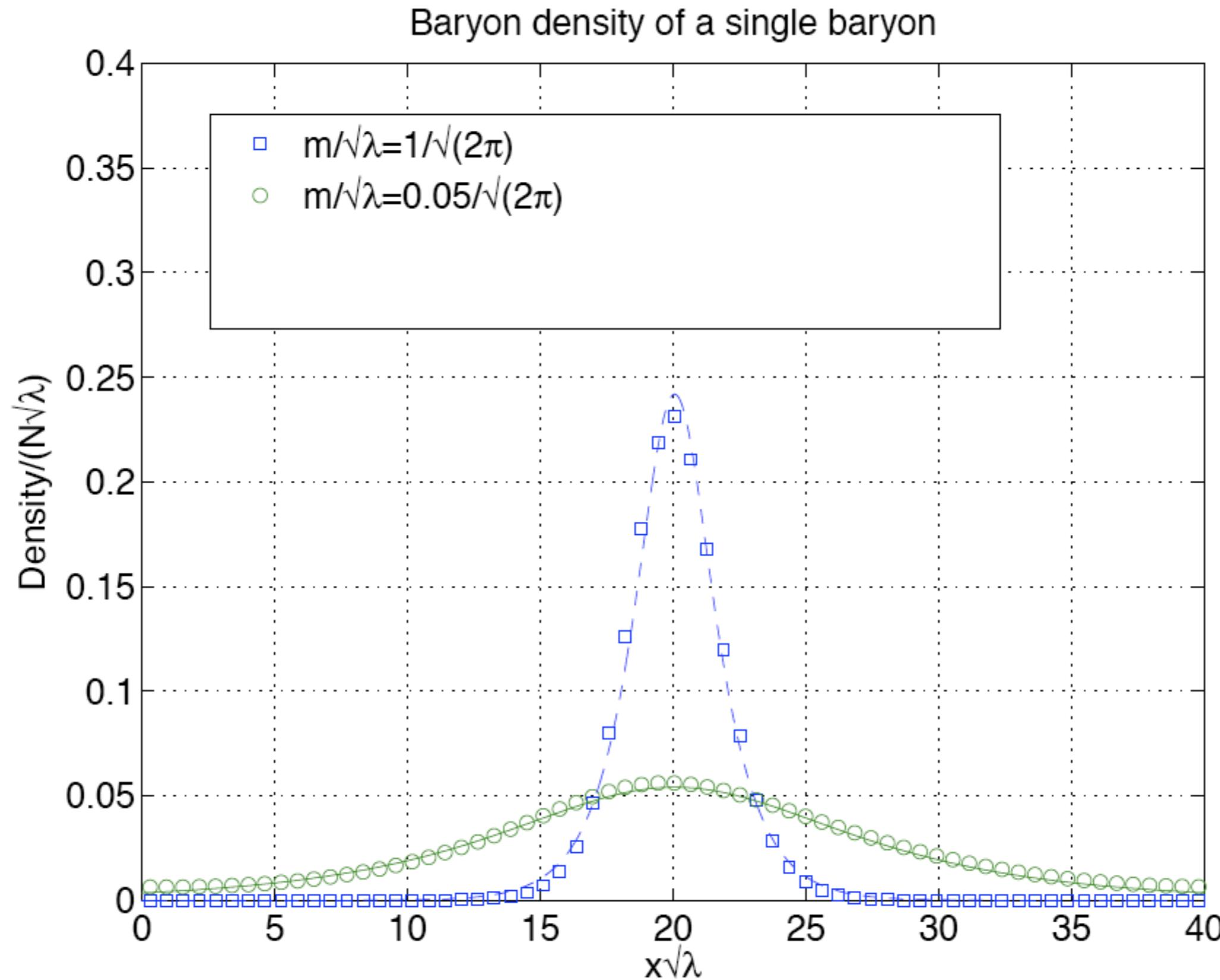
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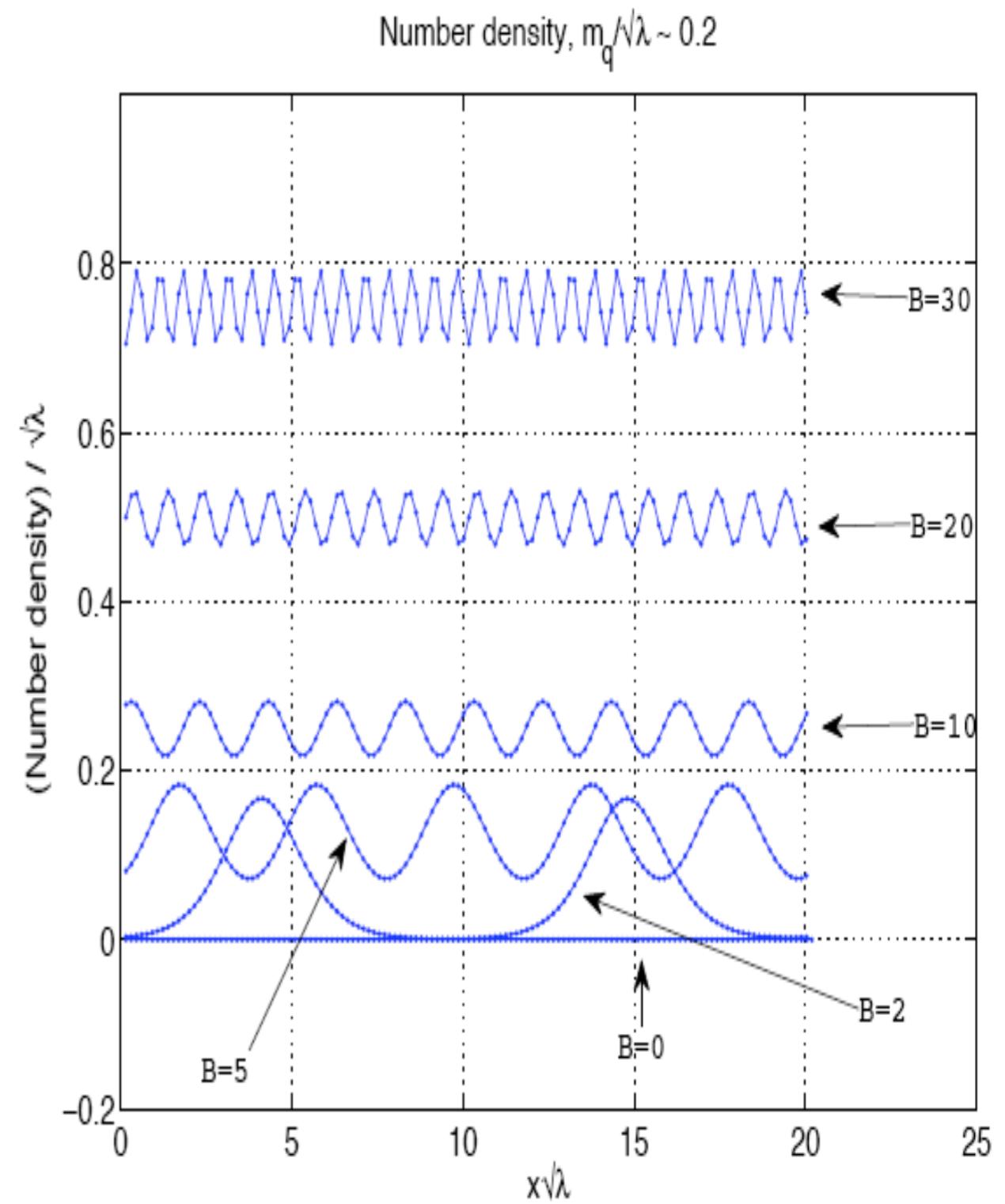
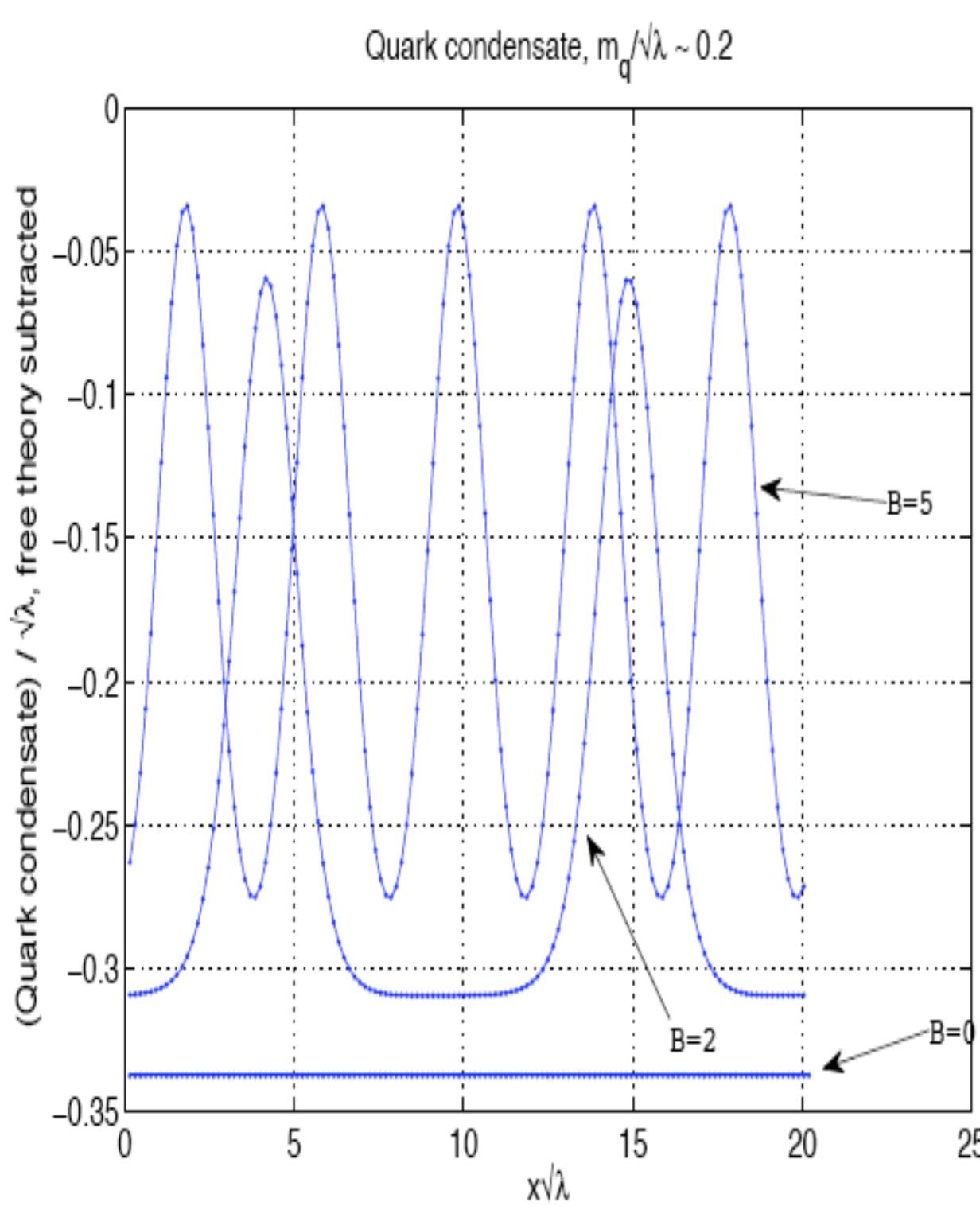
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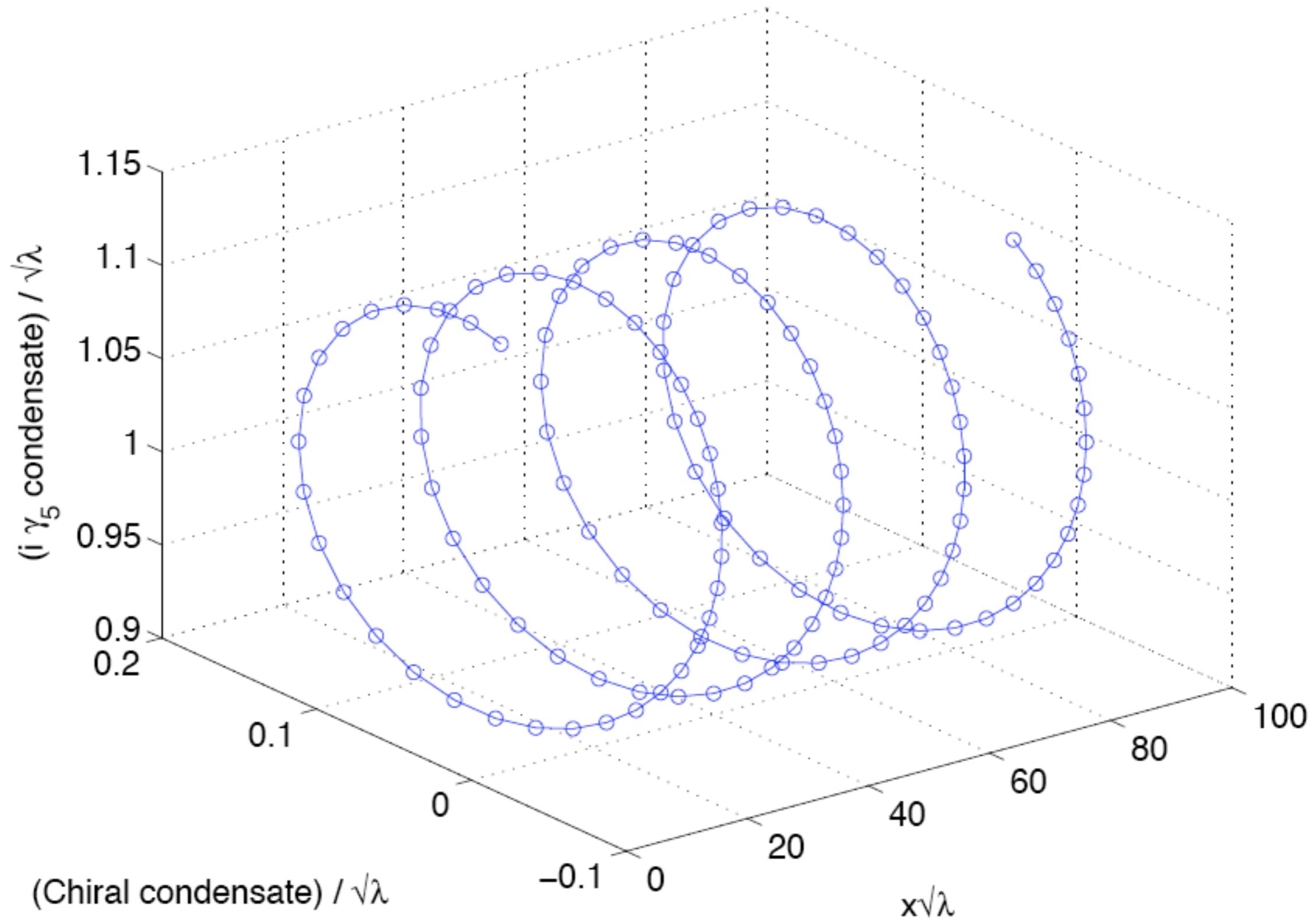
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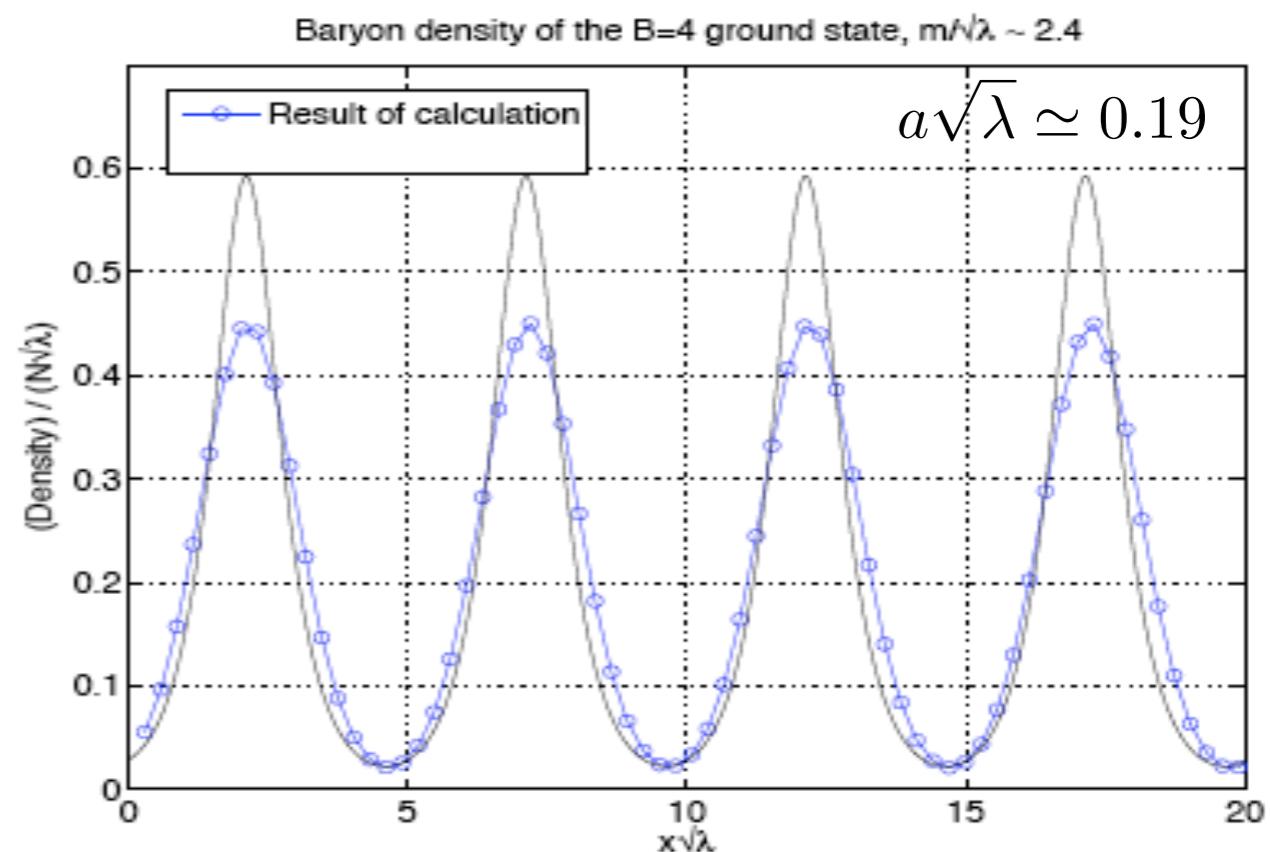
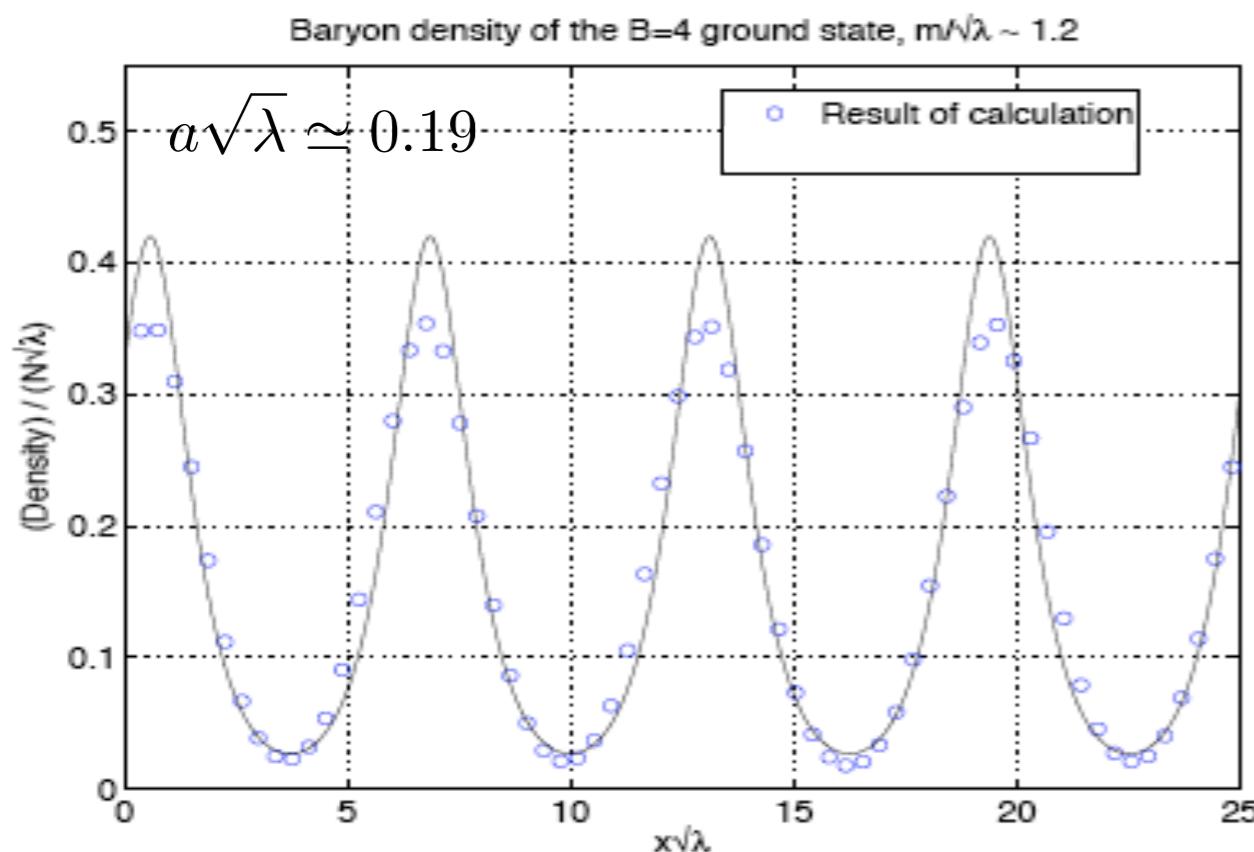
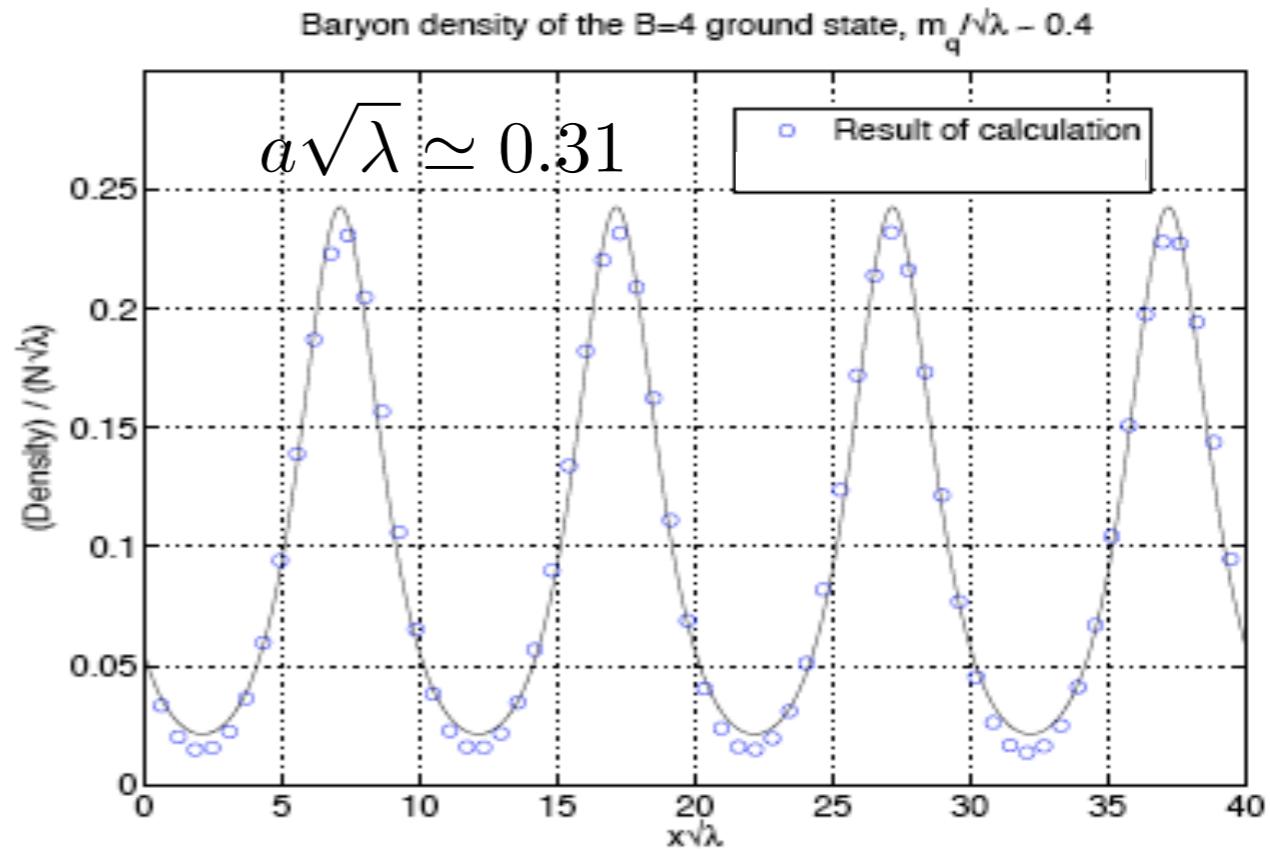
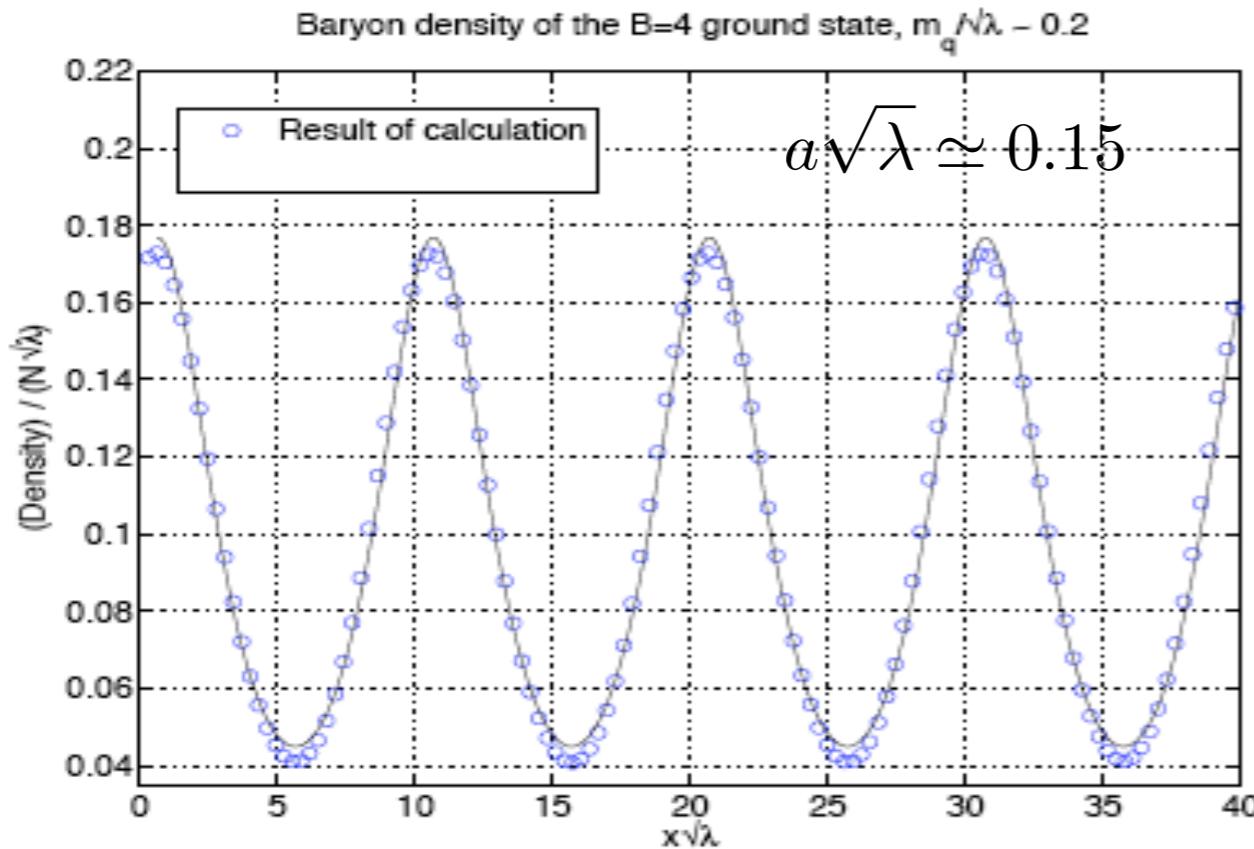
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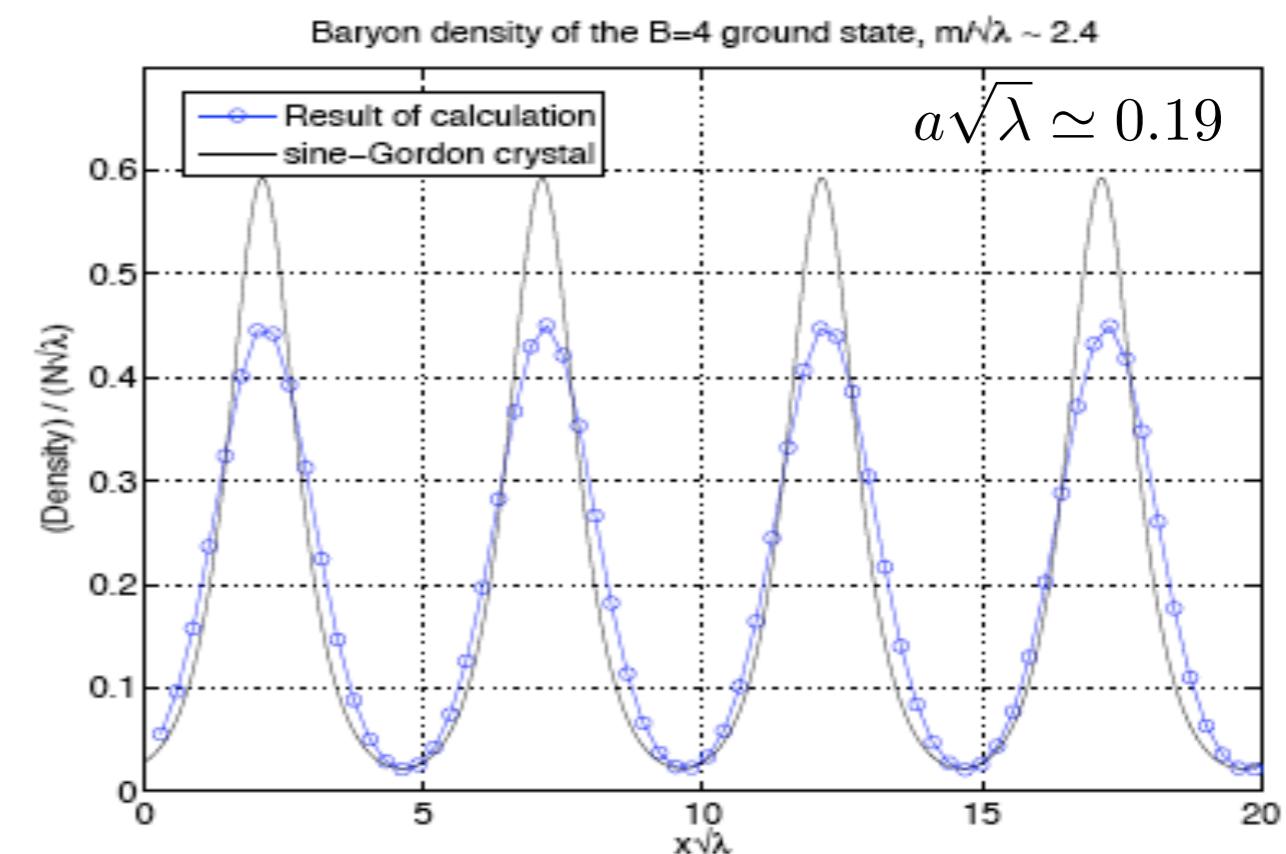
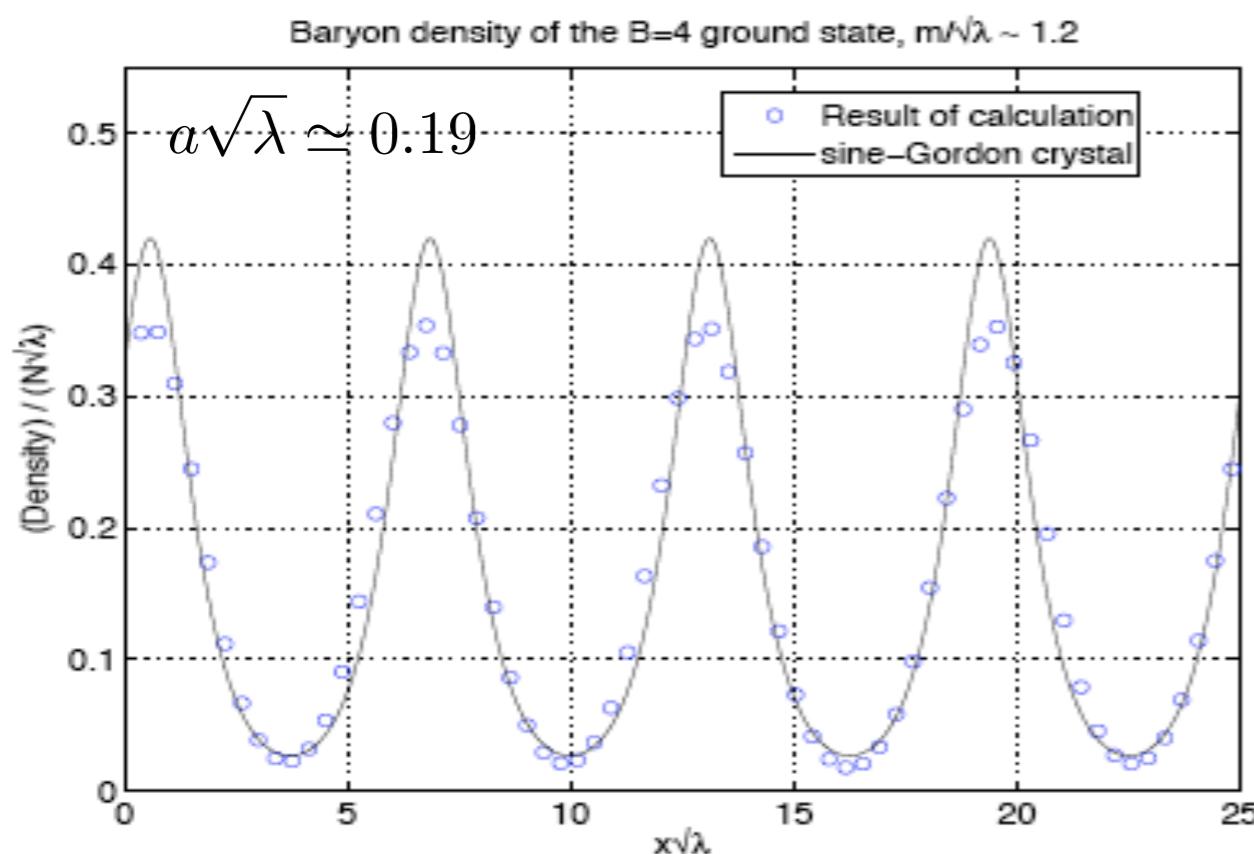
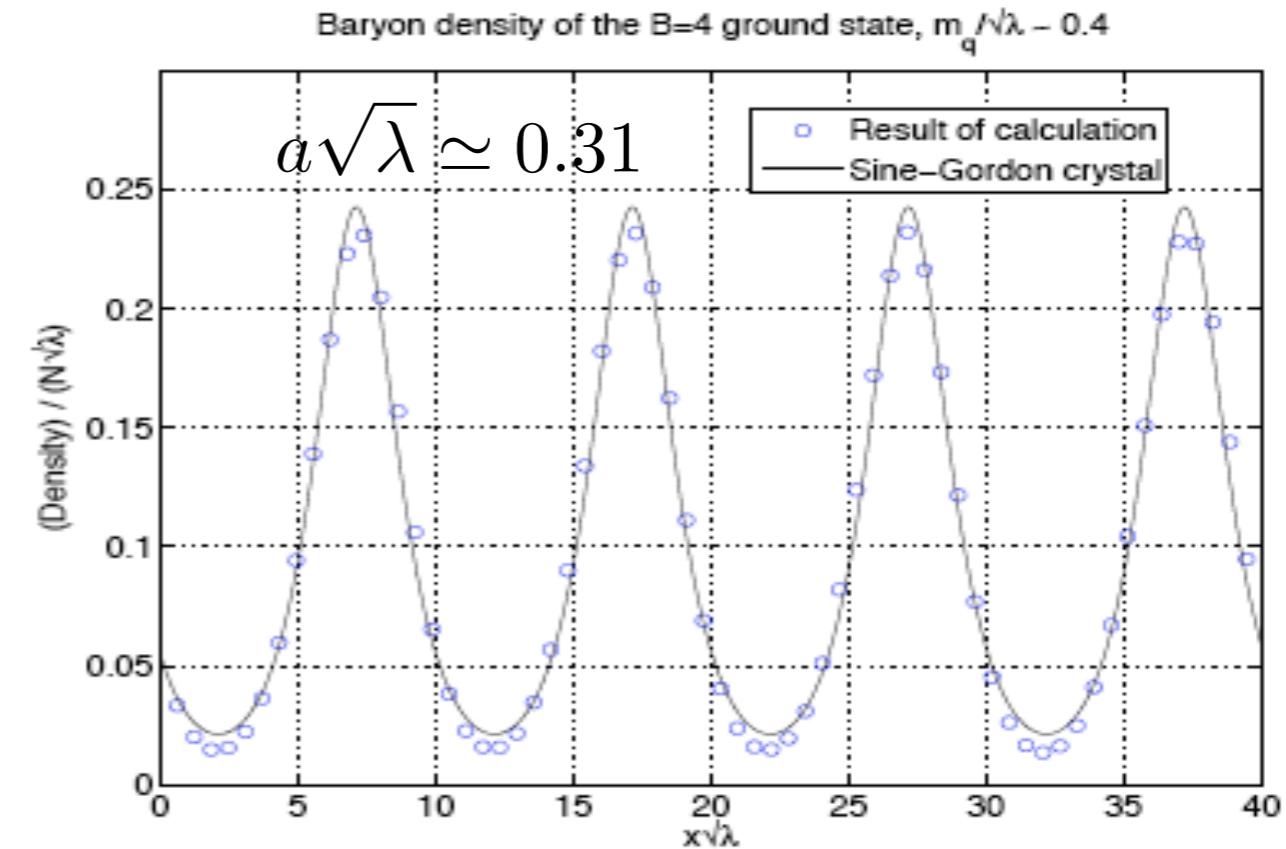
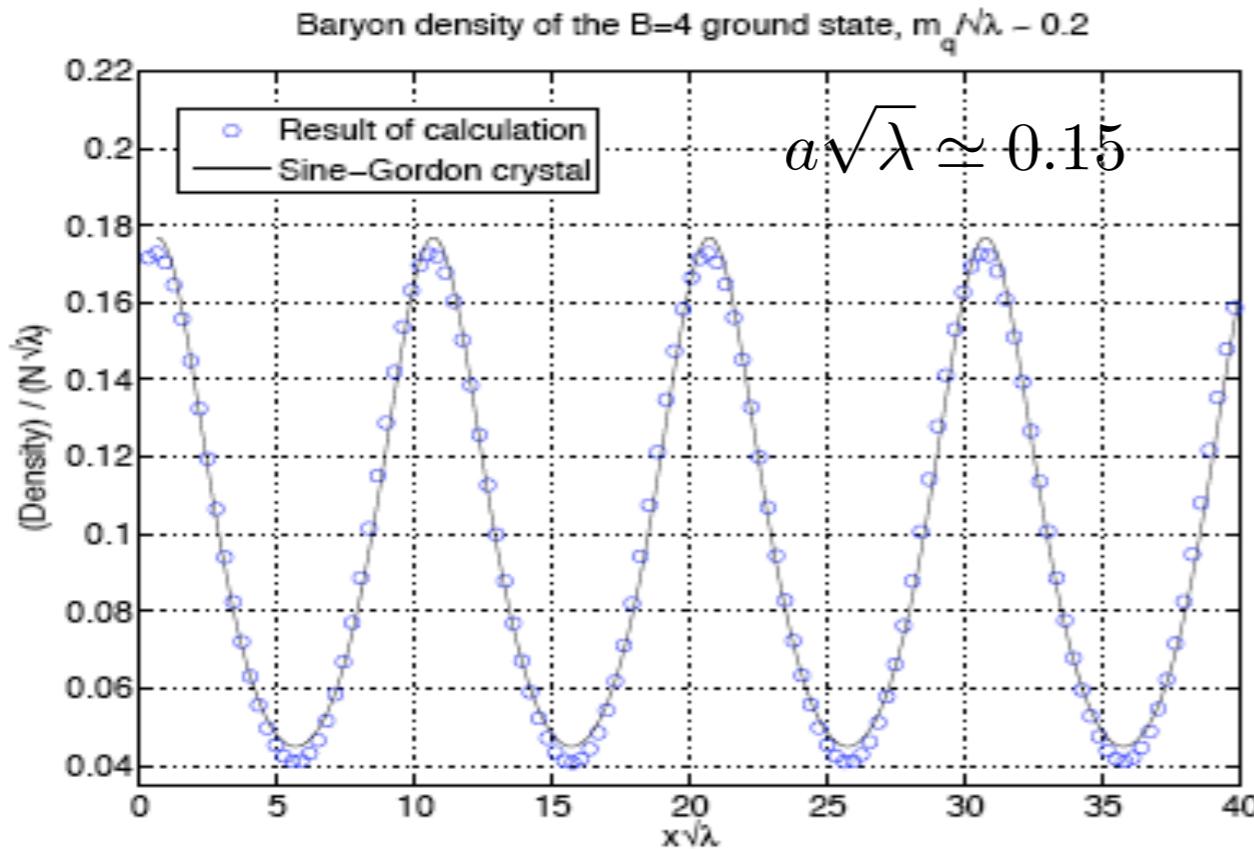
Helical structure of the  $B=4$  ground state,  $m_q/\sqrt{\lambda} \sim 0.02$



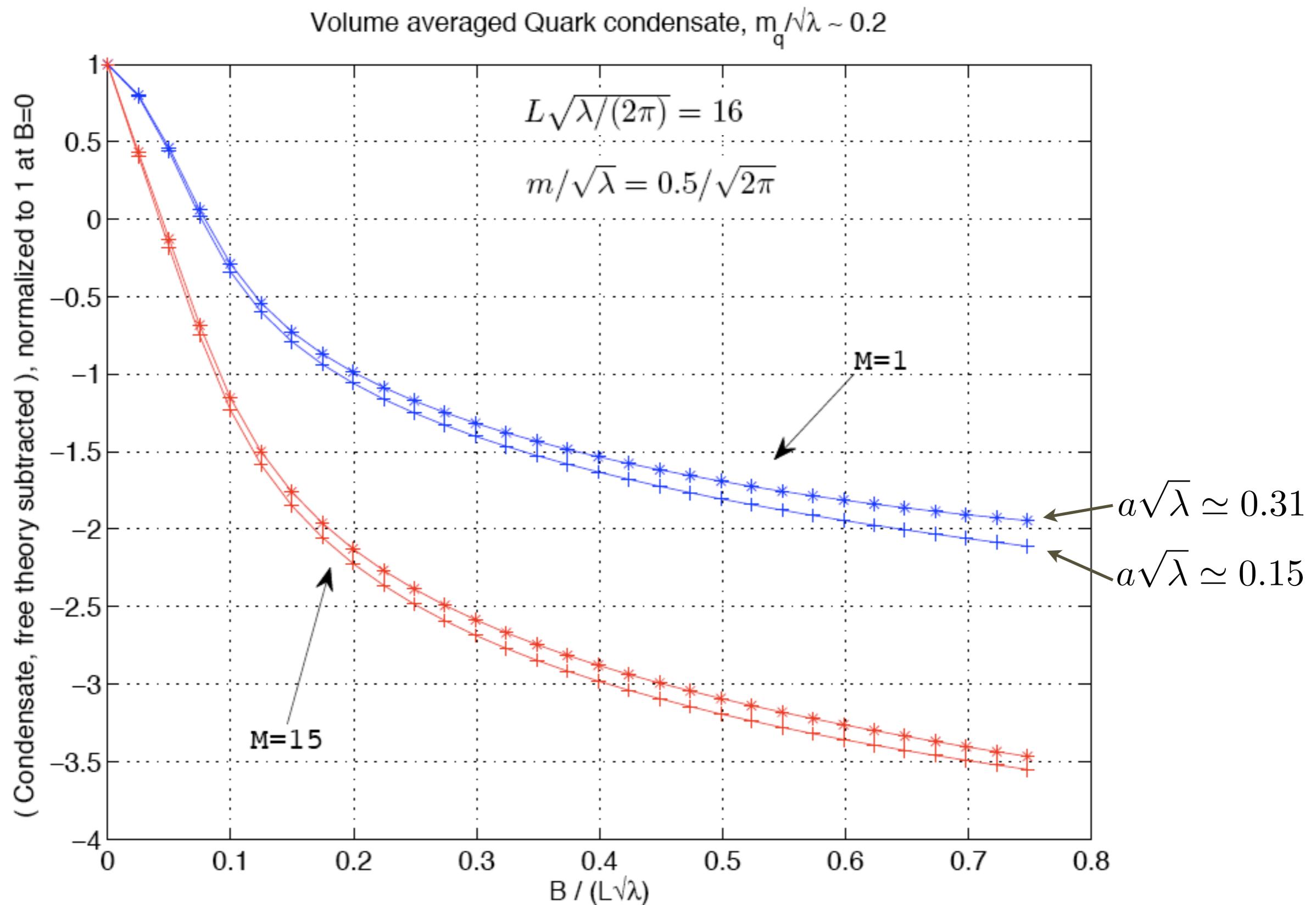
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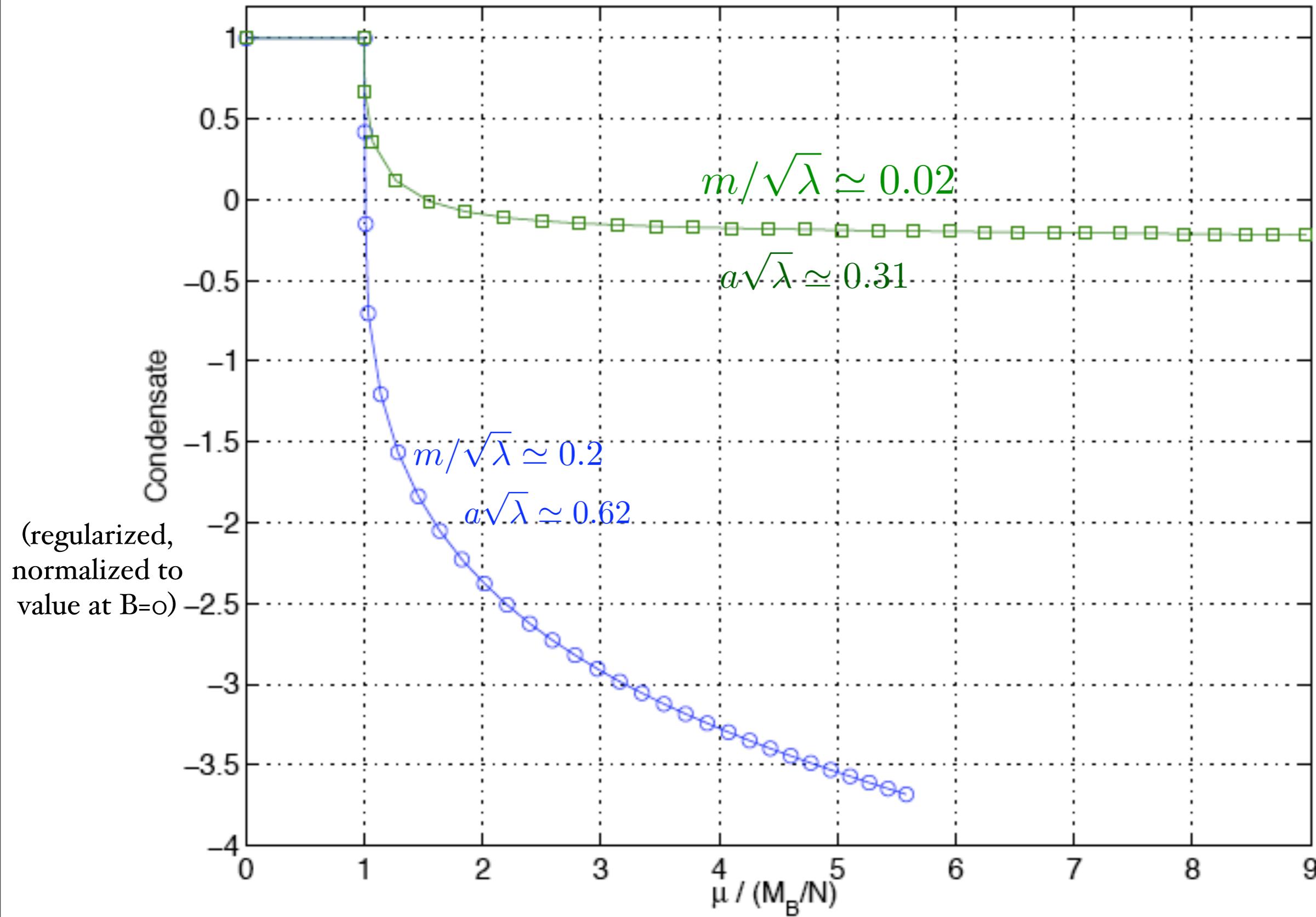


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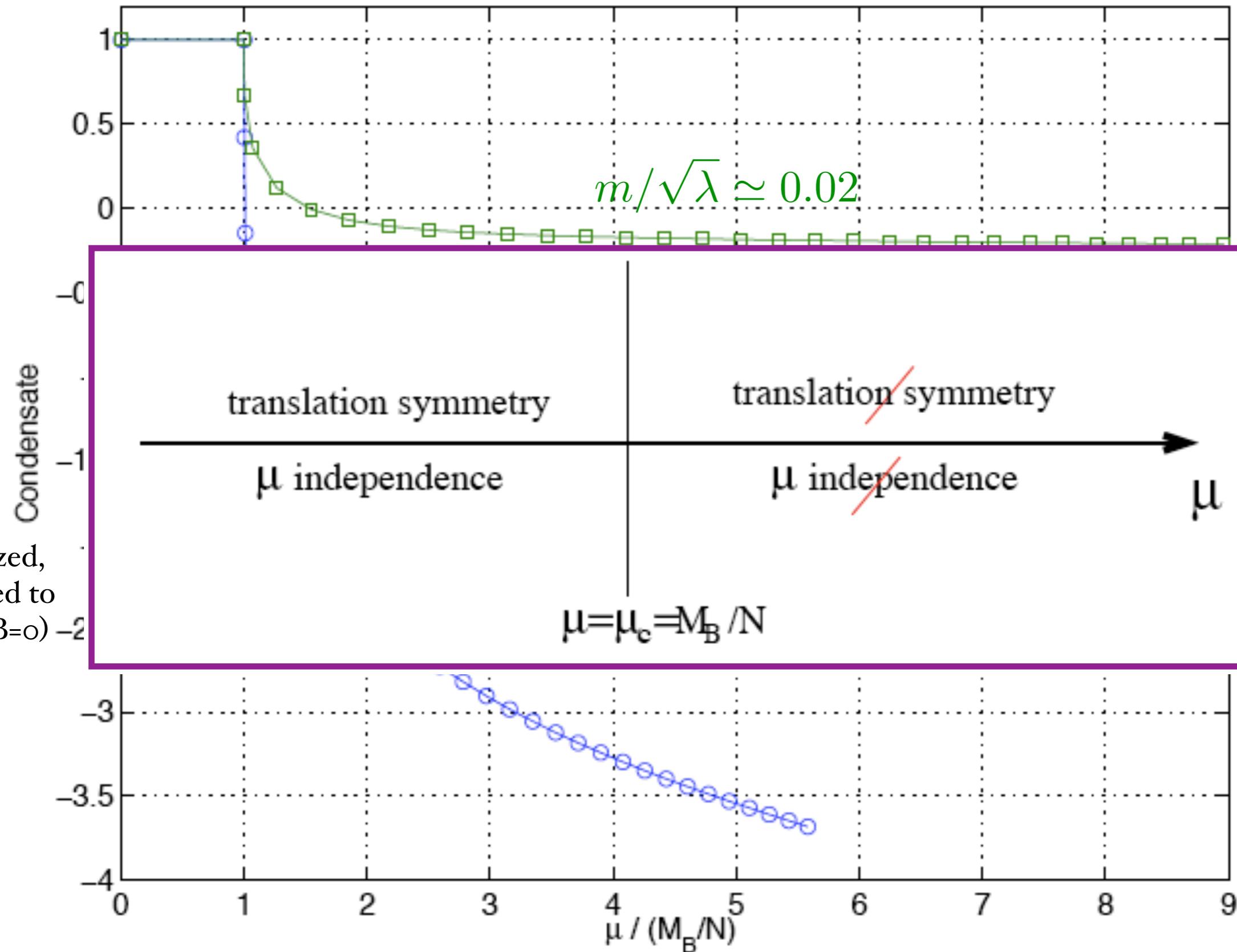
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## Go back to L independence :

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$Z_N$  symmetry intact

guaranteed by gluons



Translation symmetry intact

Only for  $\mu < m_B/N$

- Can be useful ?

Study sign problem in 1+1, large- $N$  QCD, at  $V \sim 0$ , and  $\mu < m_B/N$

$$\langle \det(D + \mu\gamma_0 + m) \rangle \sim e^{-\#V} \quad \text{if } V \sim 0, \text{ a "soft" sign problem}$$

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- Naive (four-fold doubling, not an issue).

- i. Generate configs with heat-bath (Fabricius-Haan)
2. Calculate explicitly determinant.
3. Re-weight.

6 x Intel(R)Core(TM) 2.66GHz  
a couple of months

$N = 10, 20, 40$

$\beta/2N^2 = 0.6, 6, 10$

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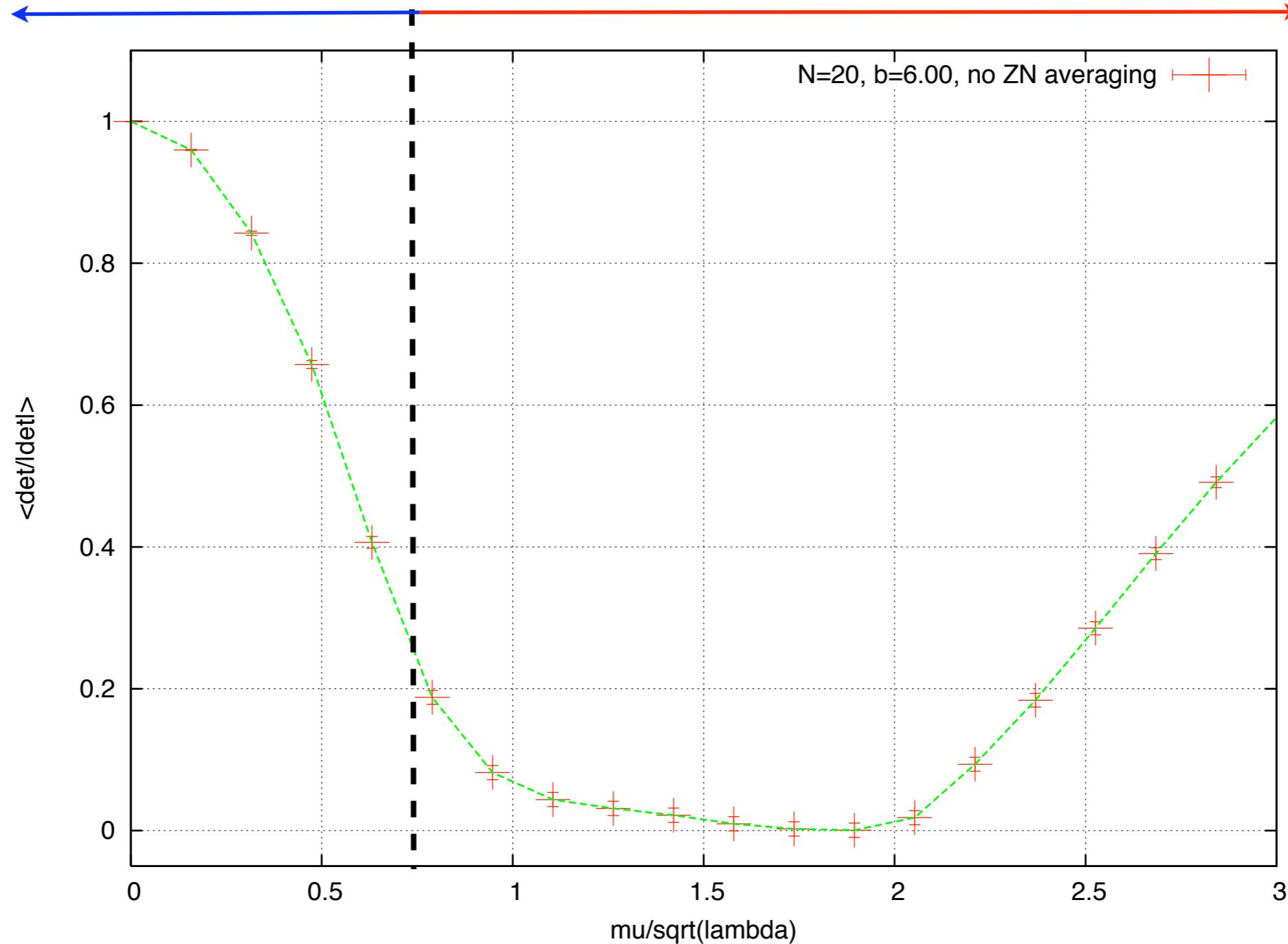
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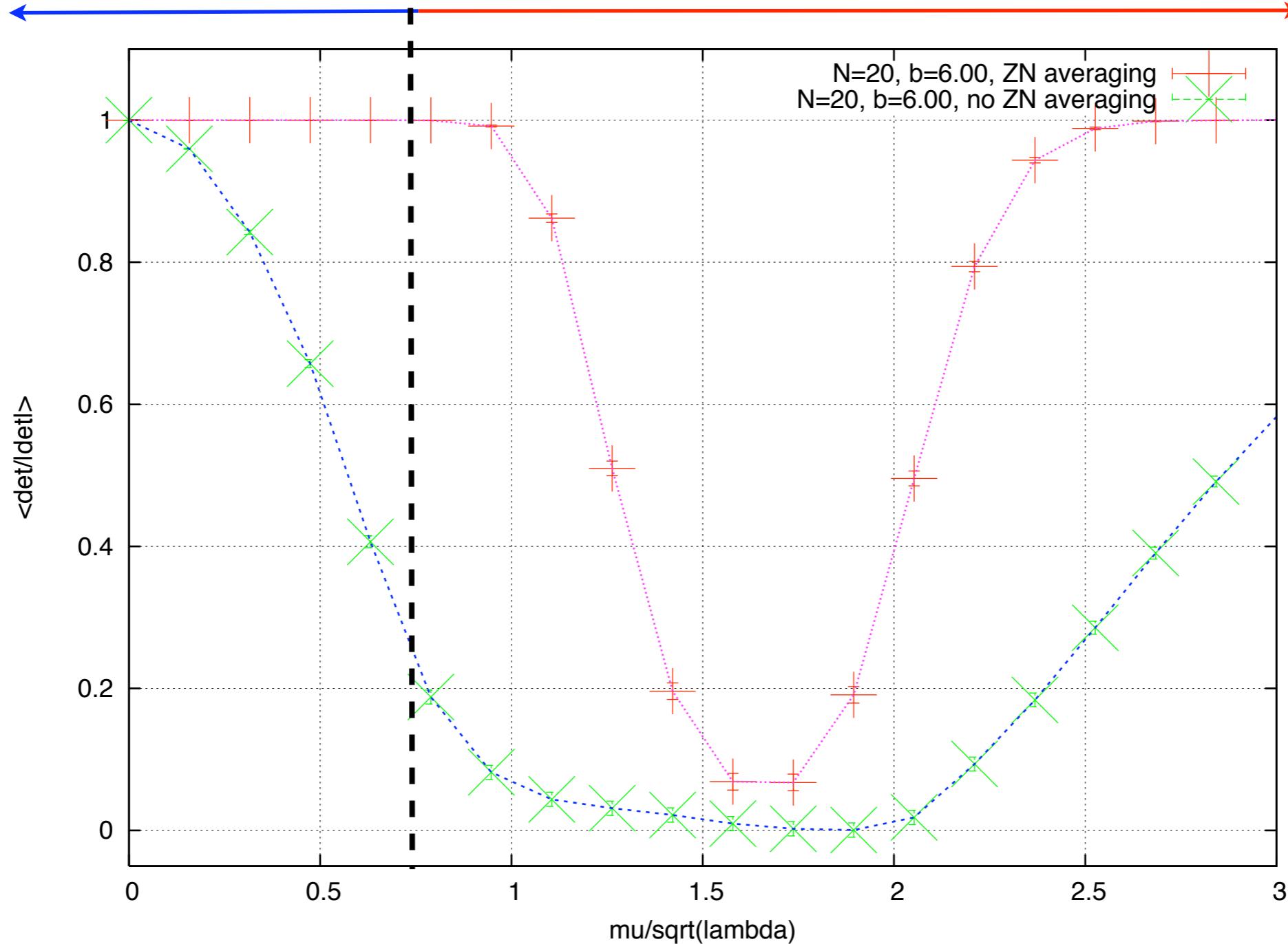


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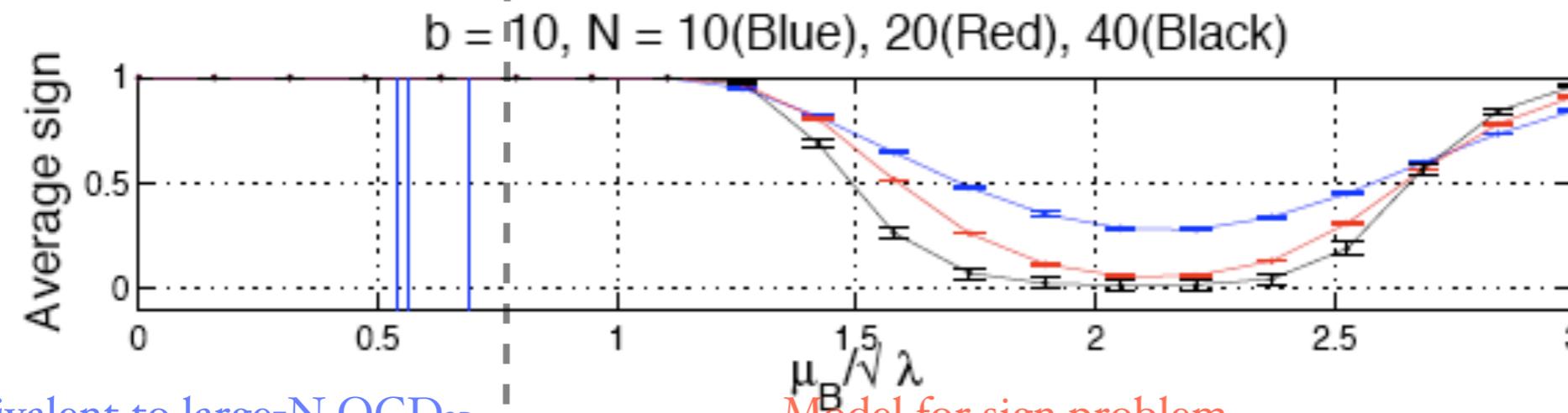
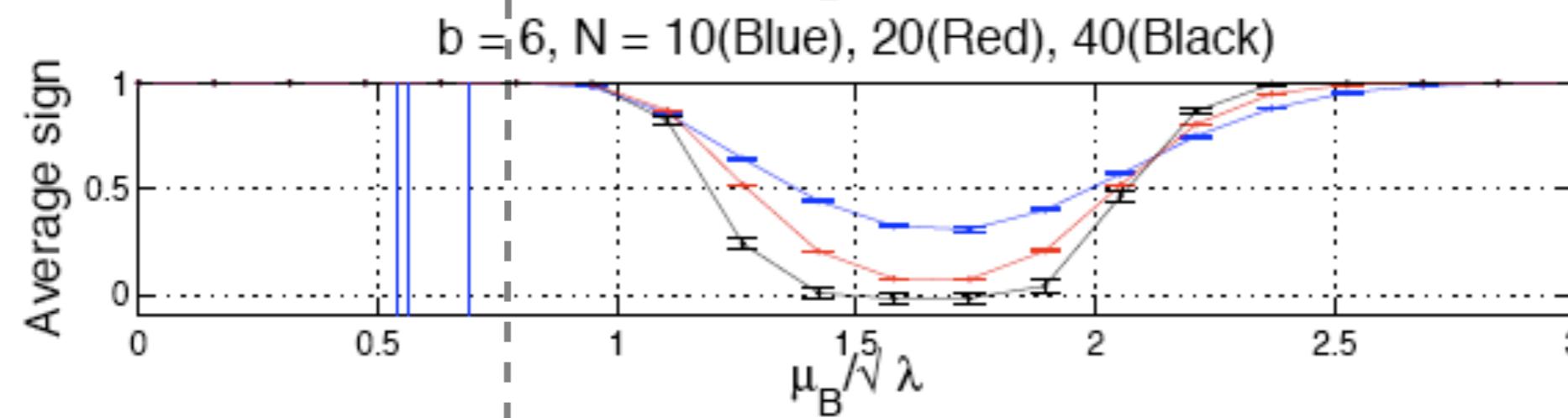
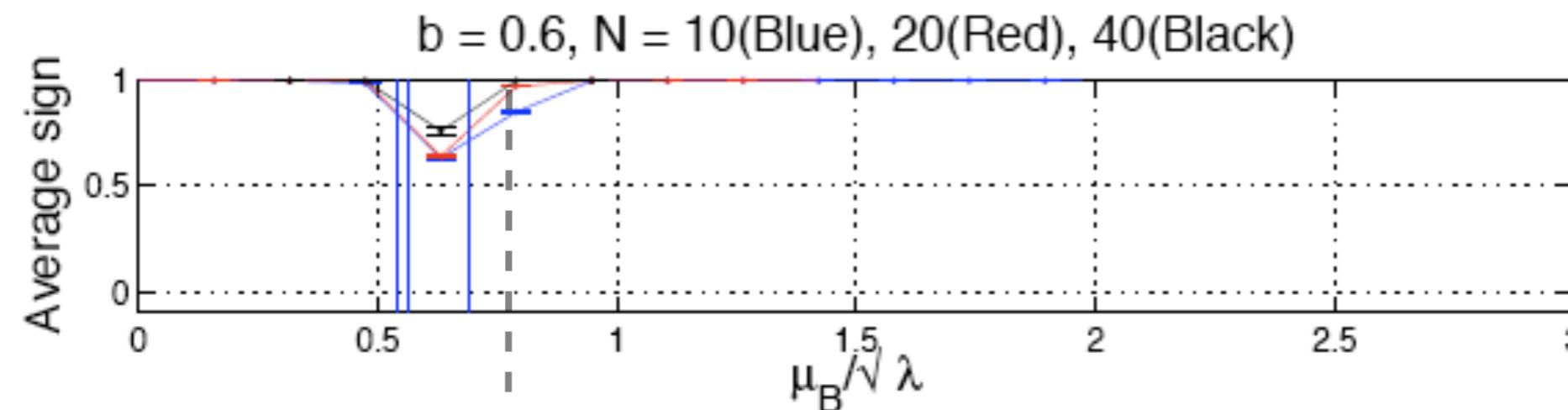
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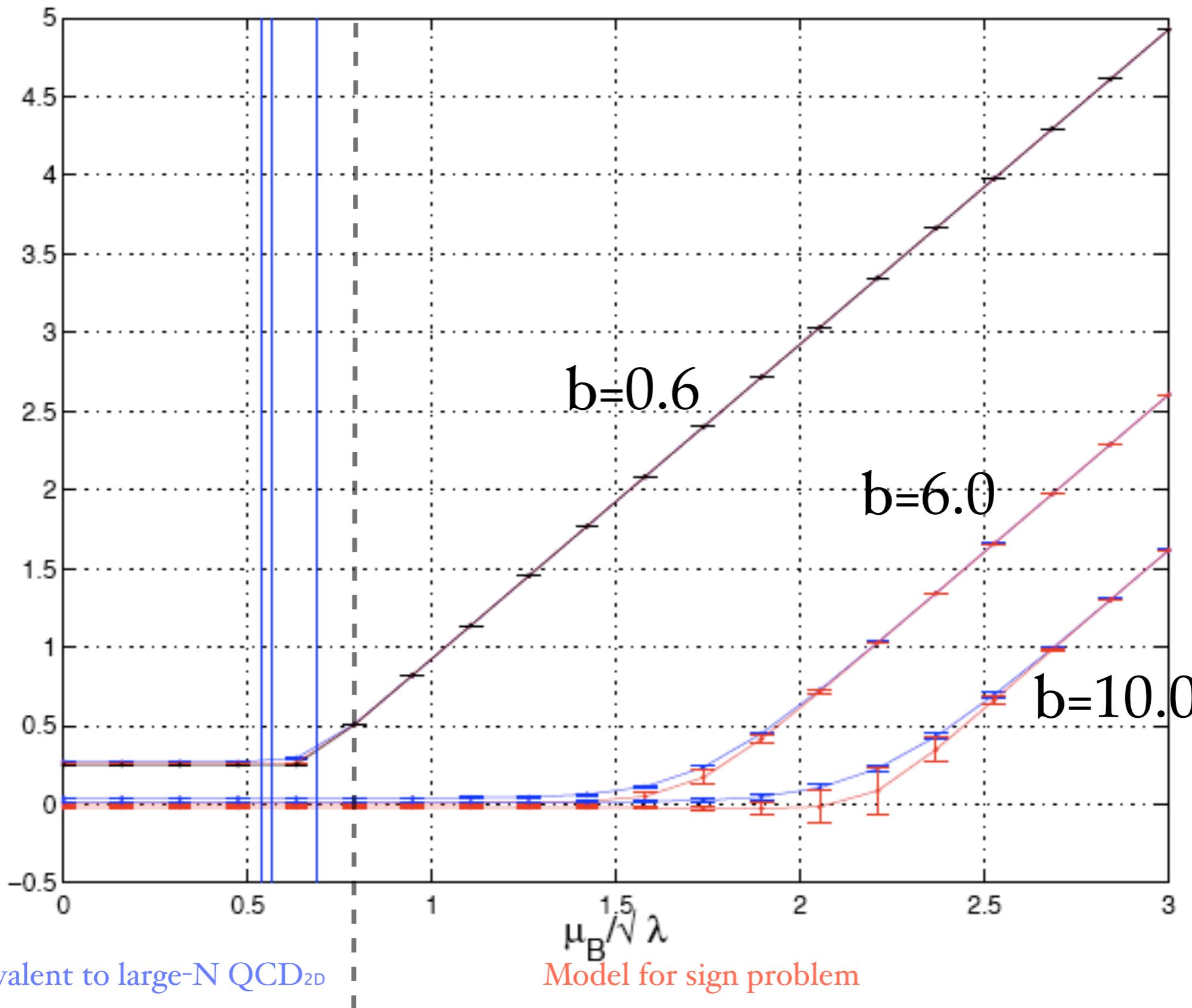
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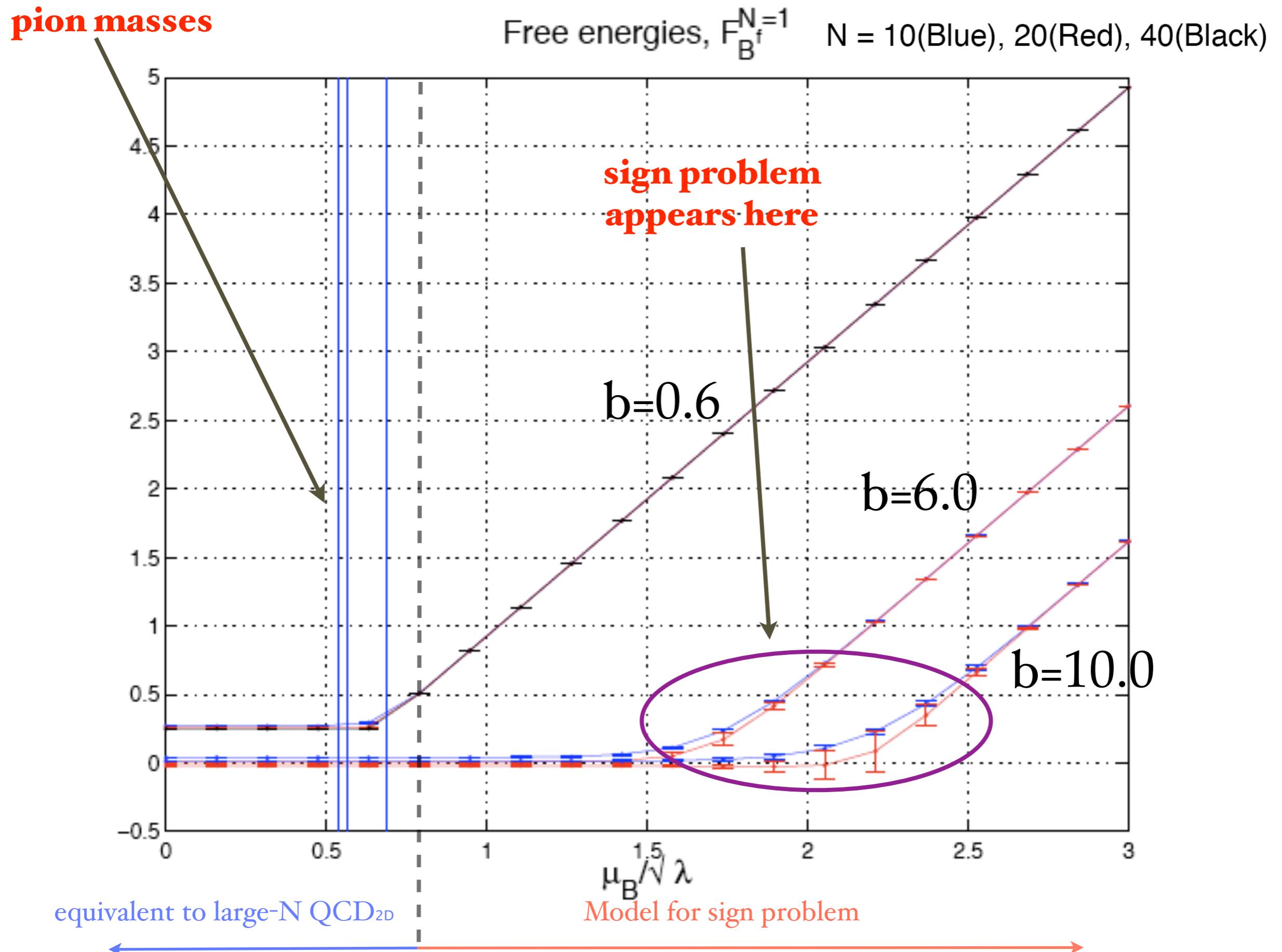


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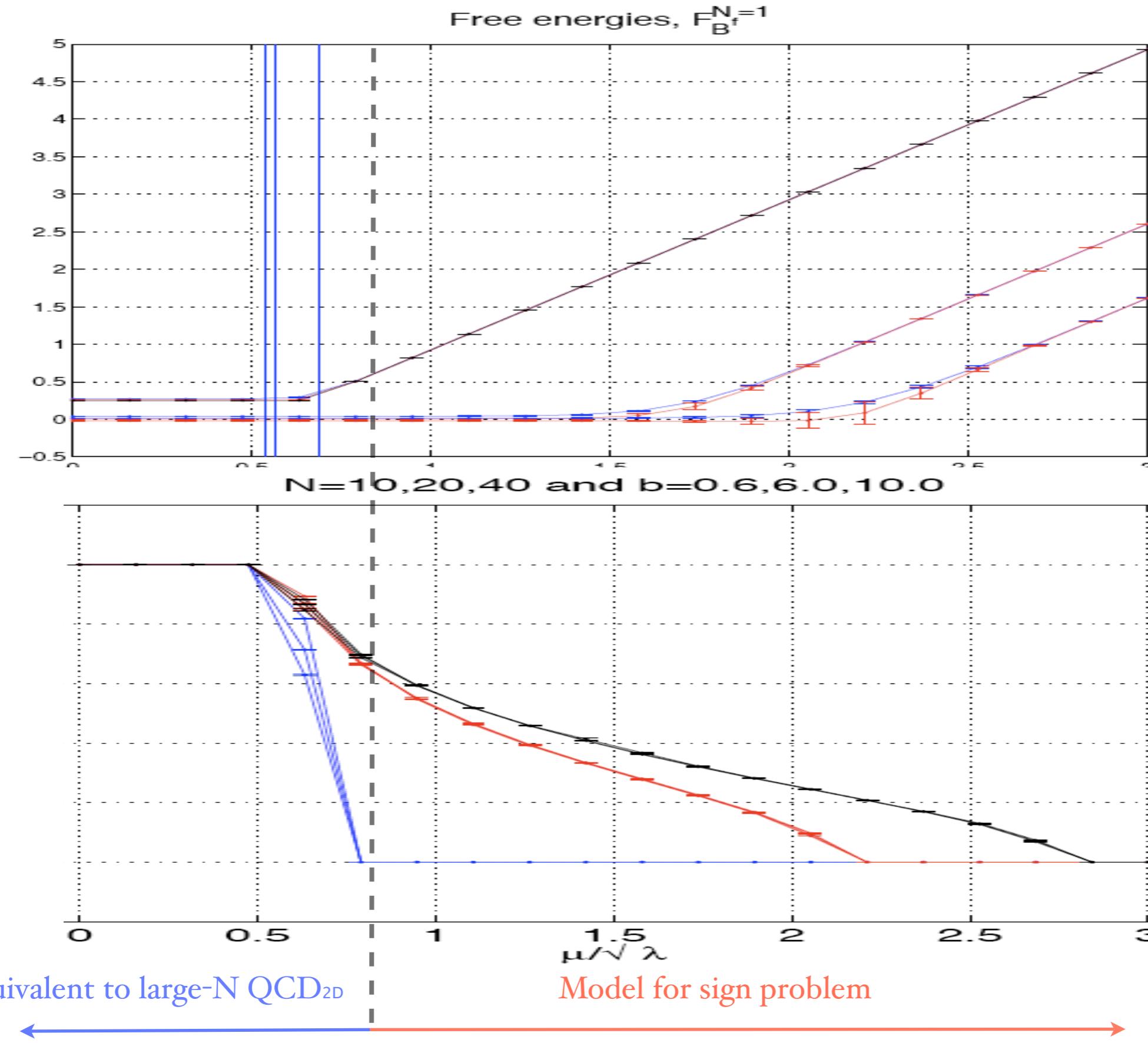
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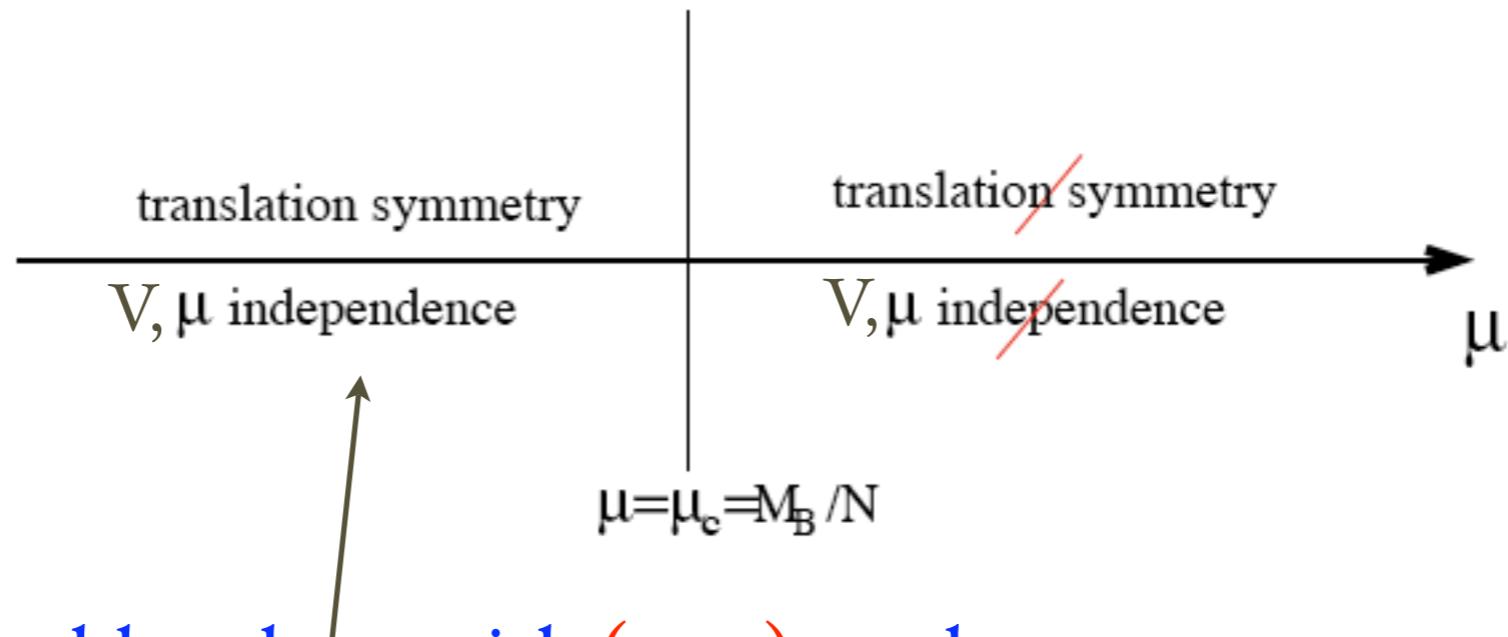


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  - No ansatz.
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- Large- $N$  't Hooft model contains a helical crystal at nonzero  $B$ .



- Can study sign problem here with (very) modest resources  
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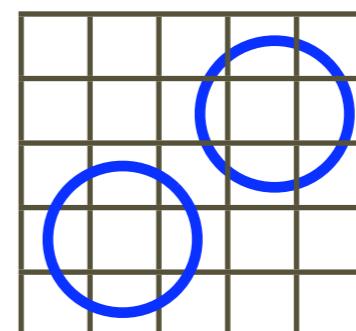
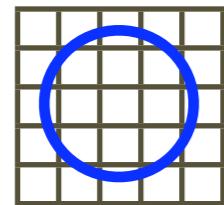
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# Zero modes

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$$\Delta^2(\{\varphi\}) = \prod_{a < b} \sin^2 \left( L_s \frac{\varphi_a - \varphi_b}{2} \right).$$

Redefining wave function of zero modes

$$\Psi(\varphi) \equiv \frac{\Psi_{\text{new}}(\varphi)}{\prod_{a < b} \sin \left( L_s \frac{\varphi_a - \varphi_b}{2} \right)}.$$

$$\frac{g^2}{2} \sum_I \left( E_{p=0}^I \right)^2 = -\frac{g^2 L_s}{4} \sum_{d=1}^N \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta \varphi_d} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_c \frac{\delta}{\delta \varphi_c} \right)^2$$

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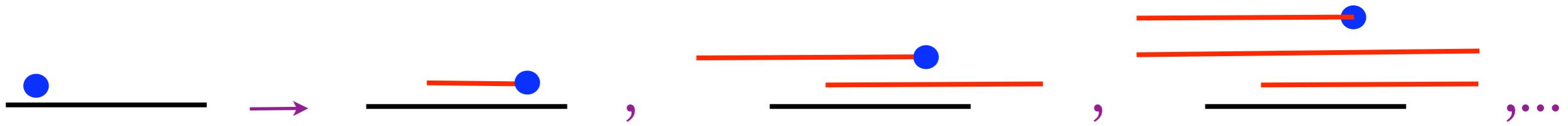
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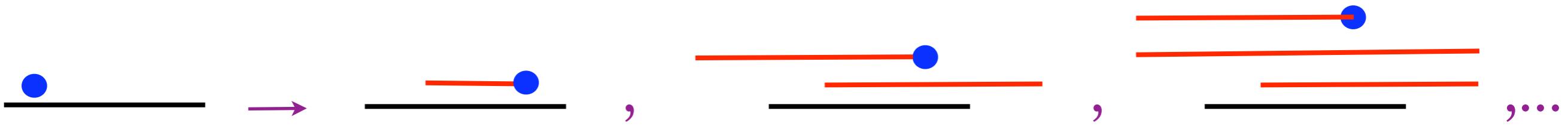
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with

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takes some time, only show what  $\mathcal{H}_F$  depends on ...

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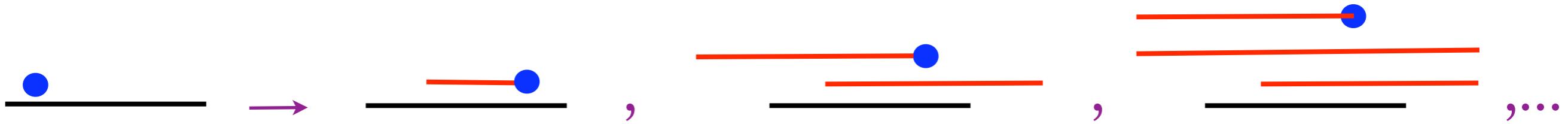
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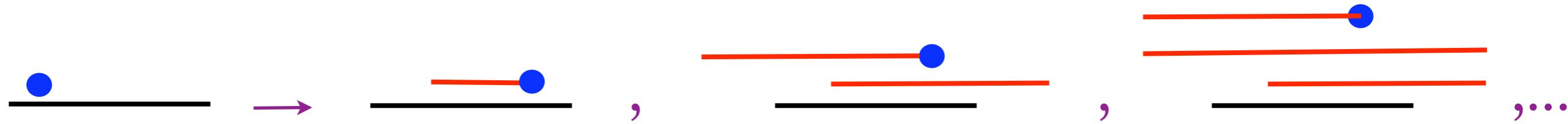
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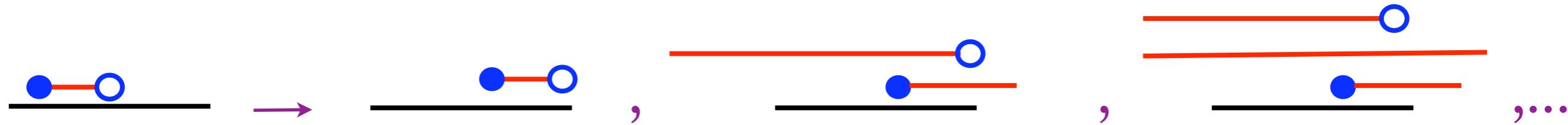
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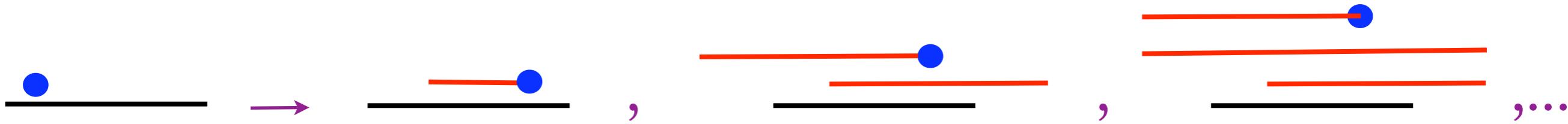
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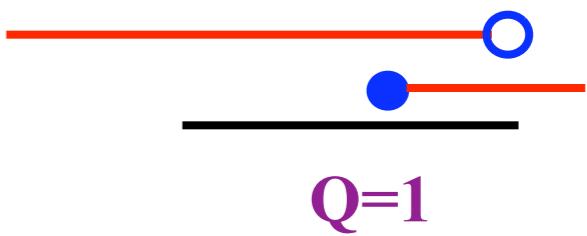
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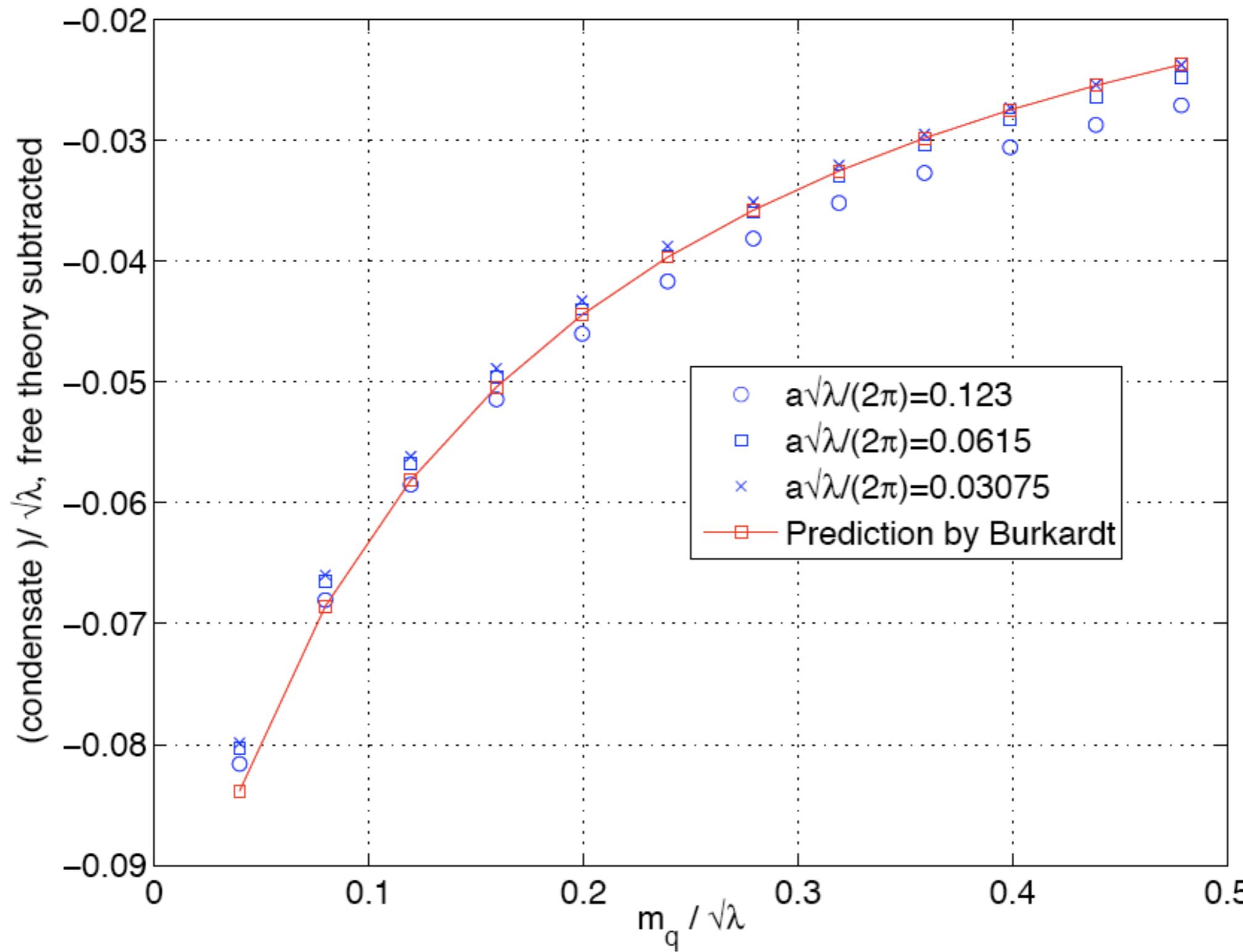
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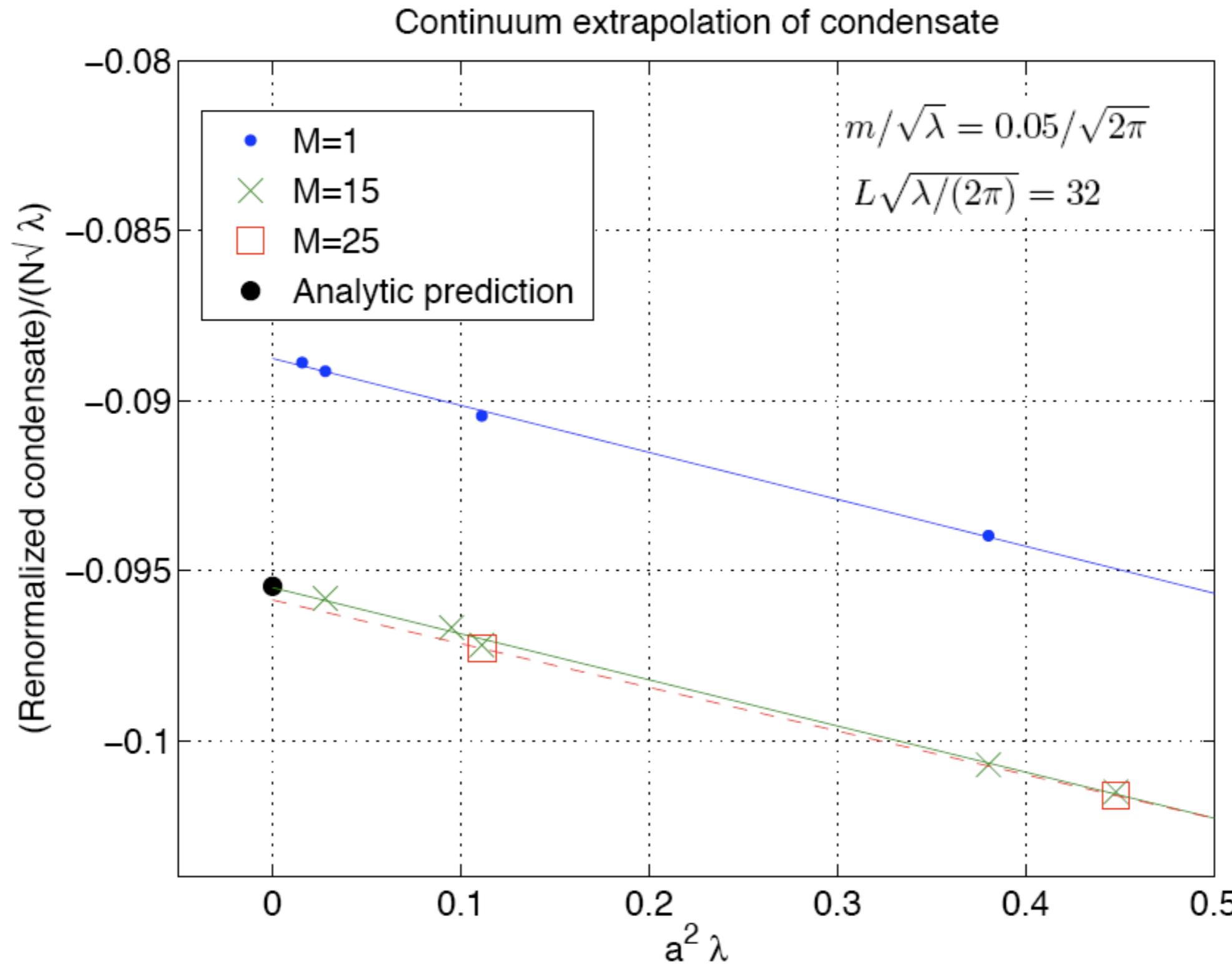
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neglect  
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# Results : continuum extrapolation

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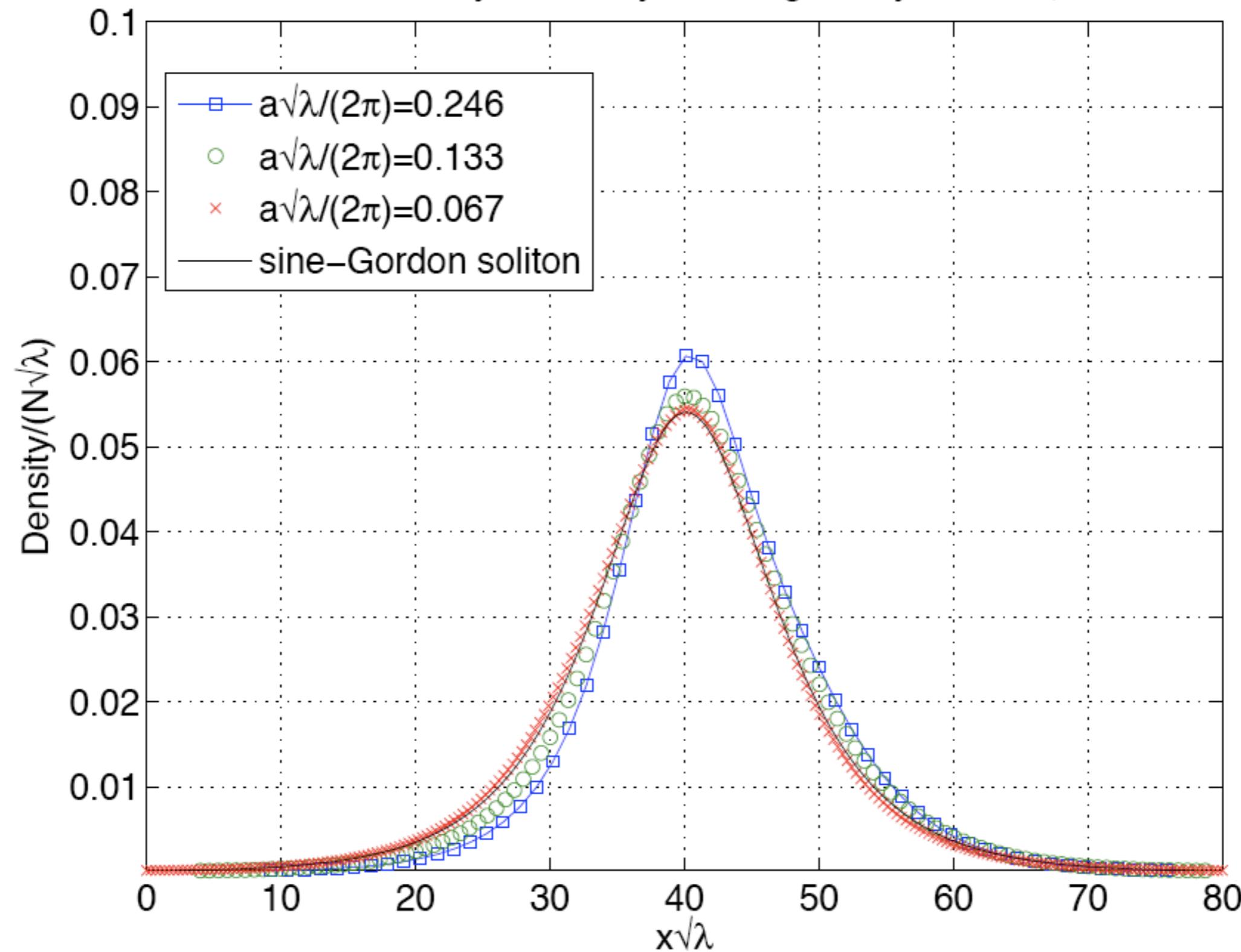


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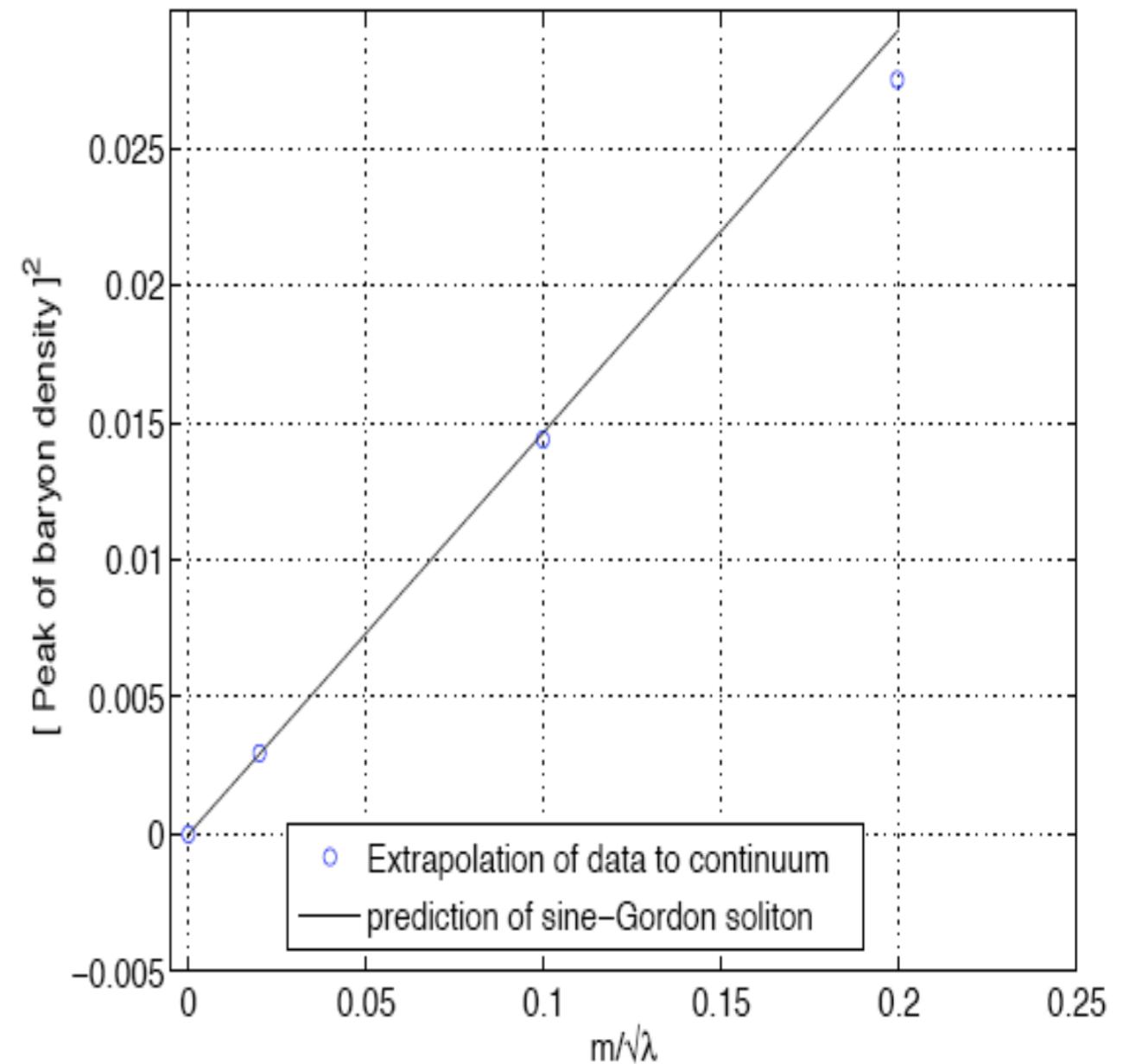
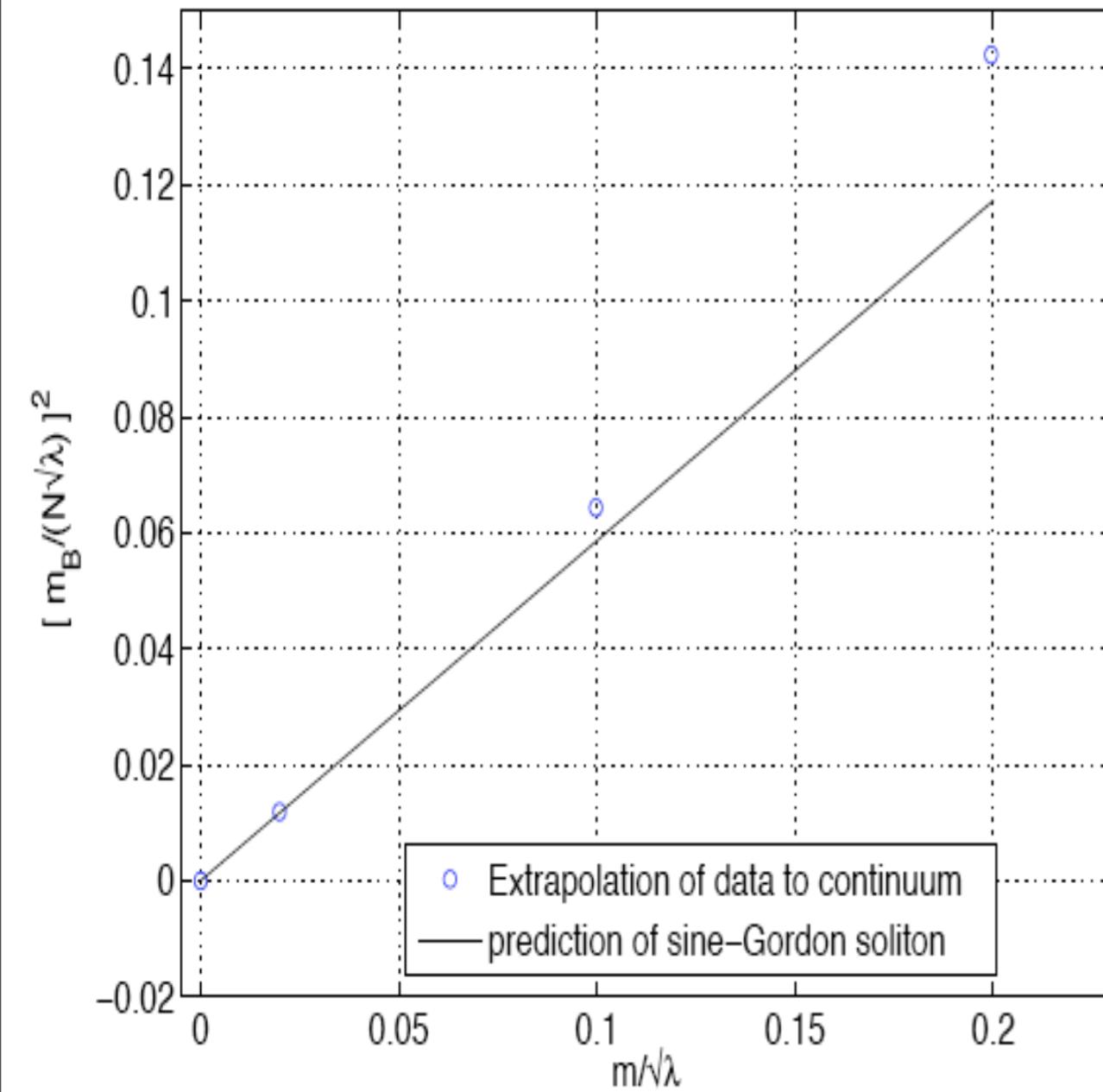
Baryon density of a single baryon       $m/\sqrt{\lambda} = 0.05/\sqrt{2\pi}$



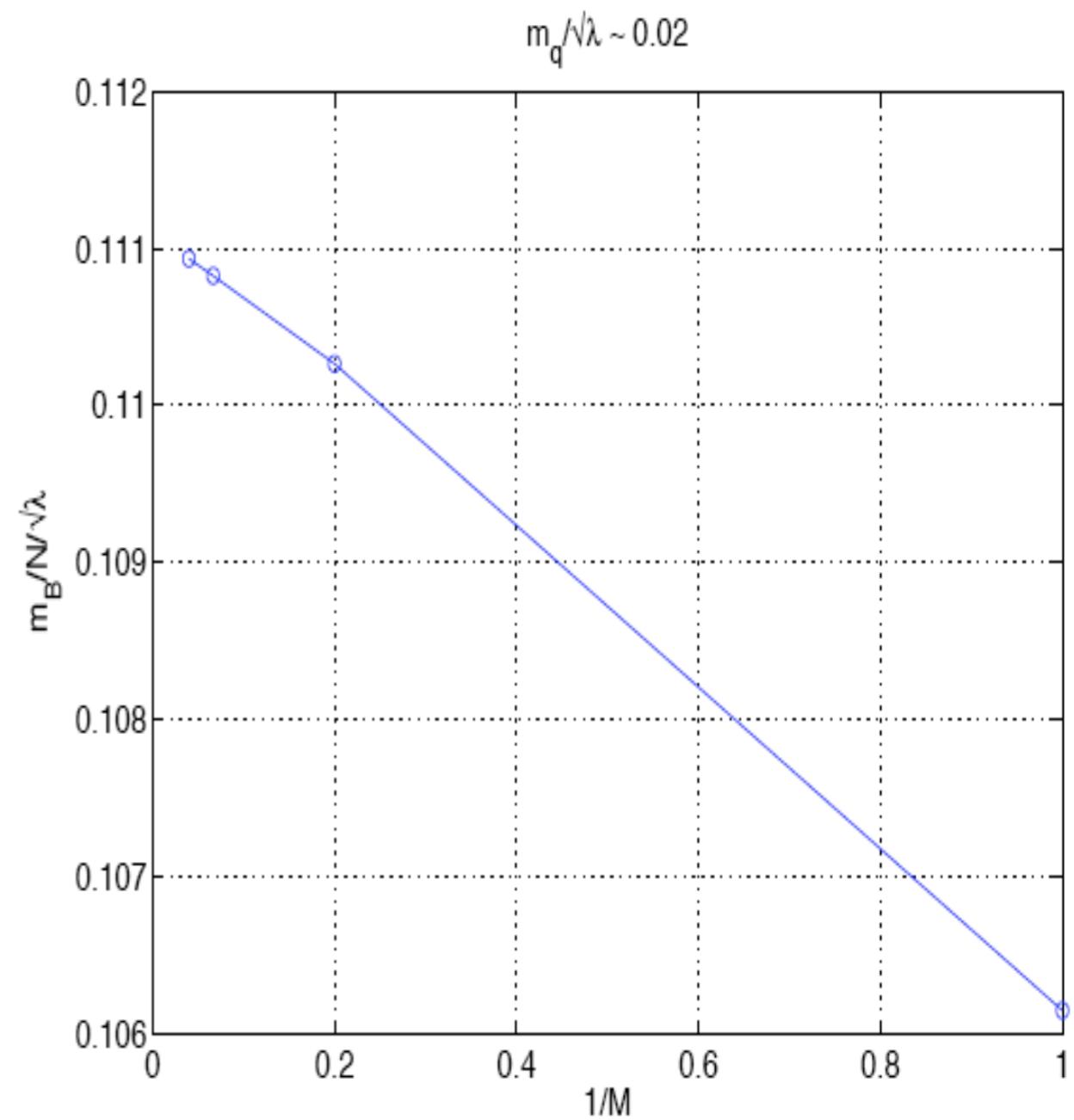
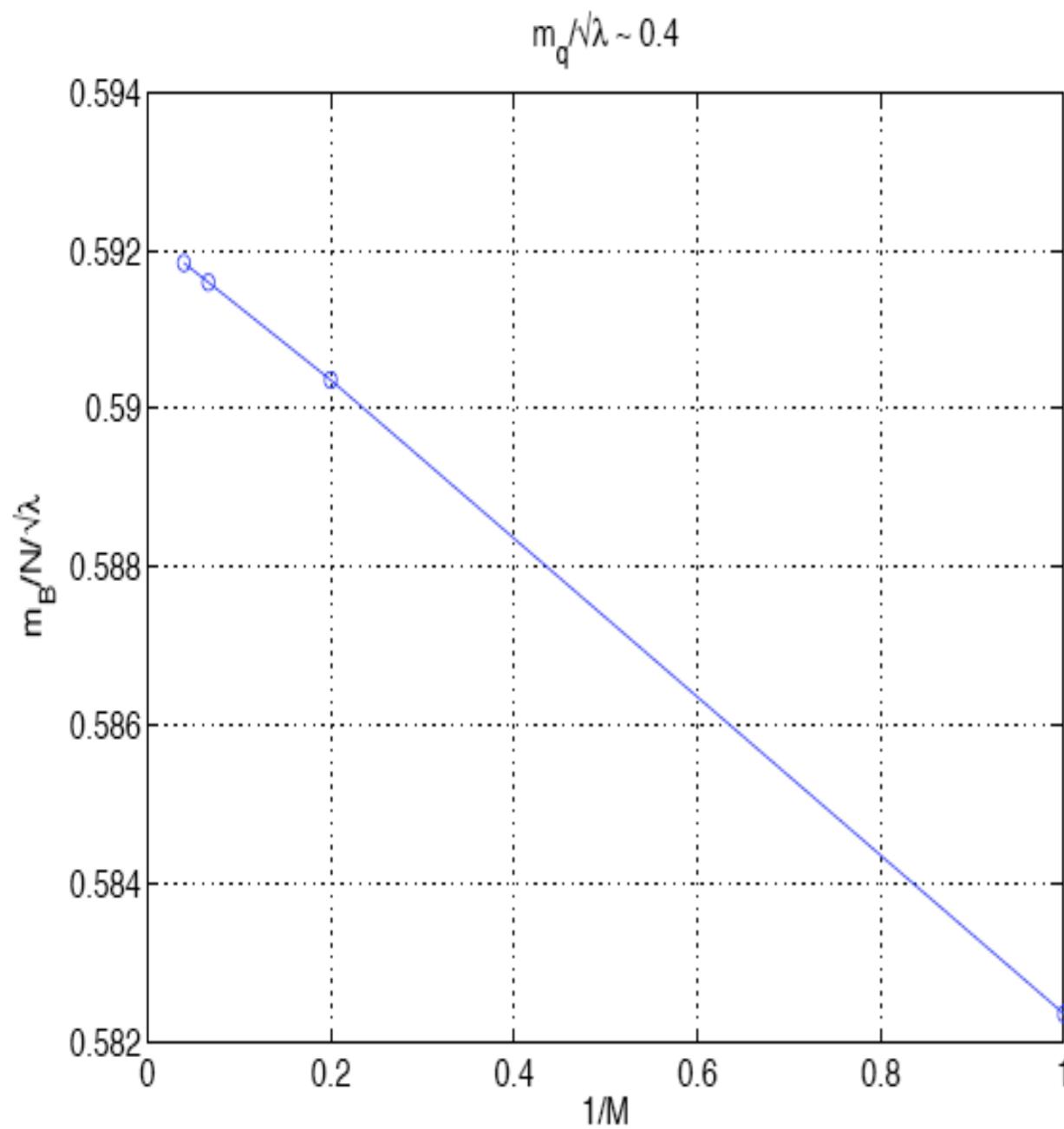
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$$m/\sqrt{\lambda} = (0.5, 0.25, 0.05)/\sqrt{2\pi}$$

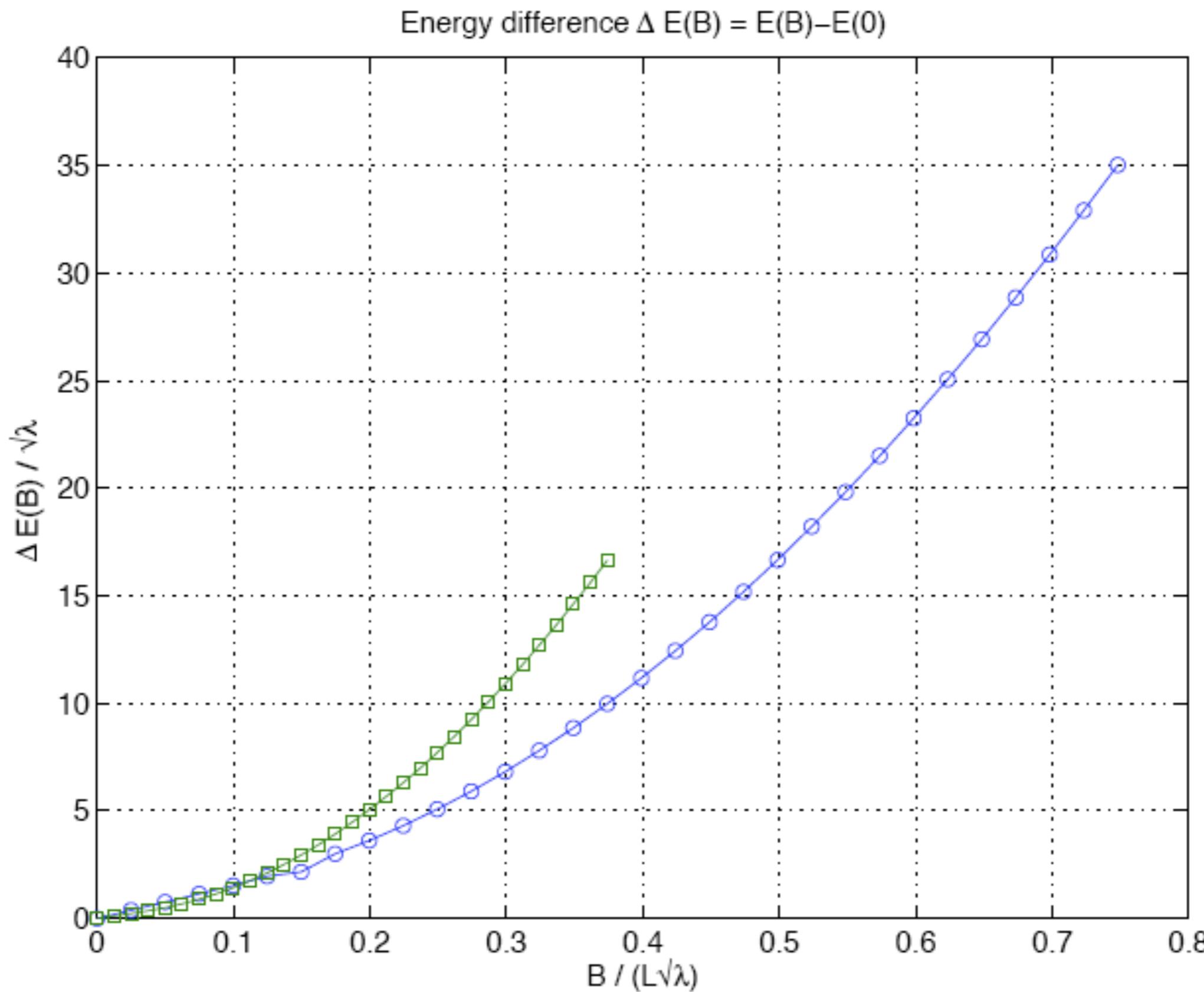


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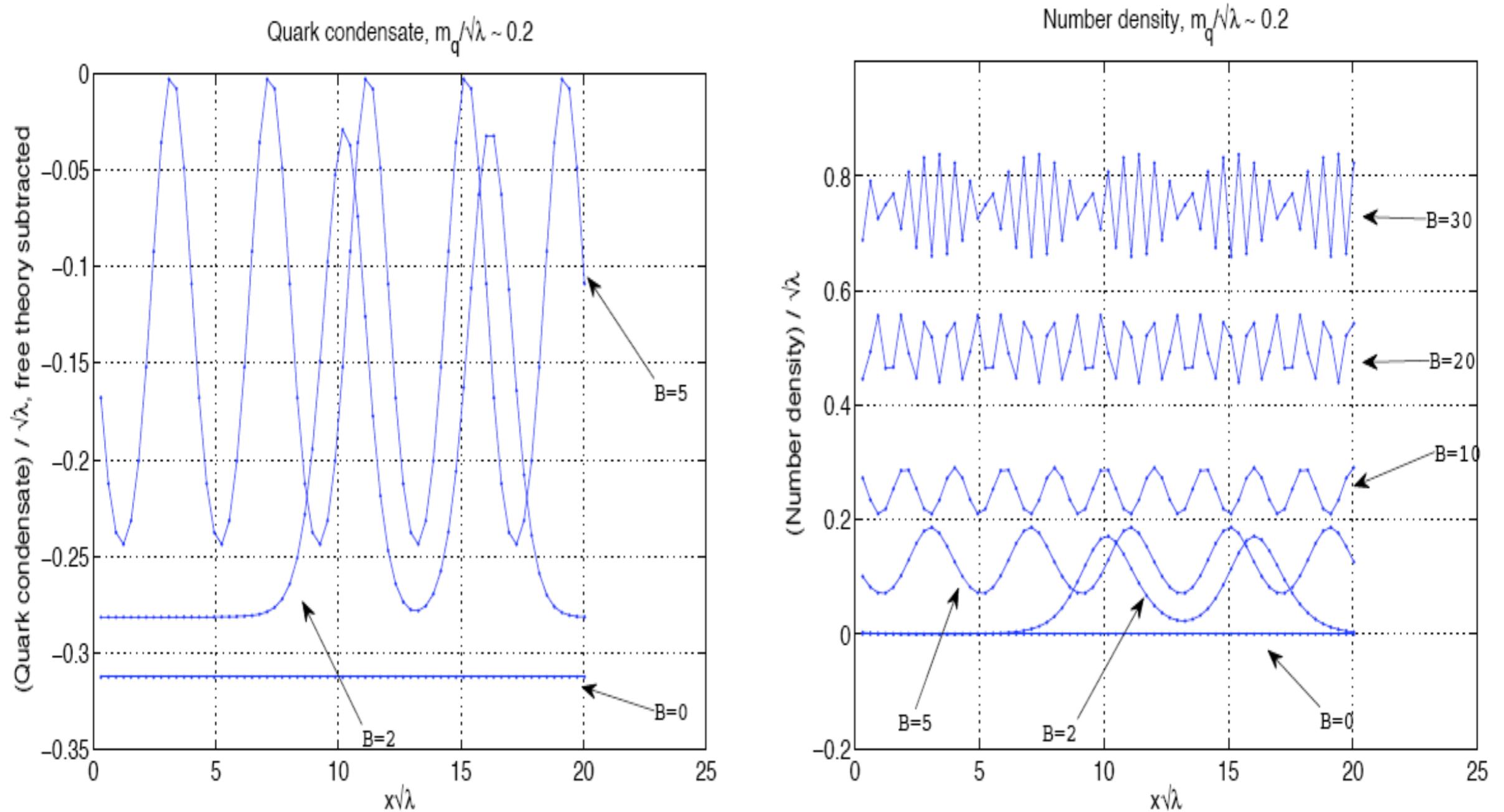


Baryon mass at  $a\sqrt{\lambda/(2\pi)} = 0.123$  and  $L\sqrt{\lambda/(2\pi)} = 16$  as a function of  $1/M$

# Results : $B > 1$

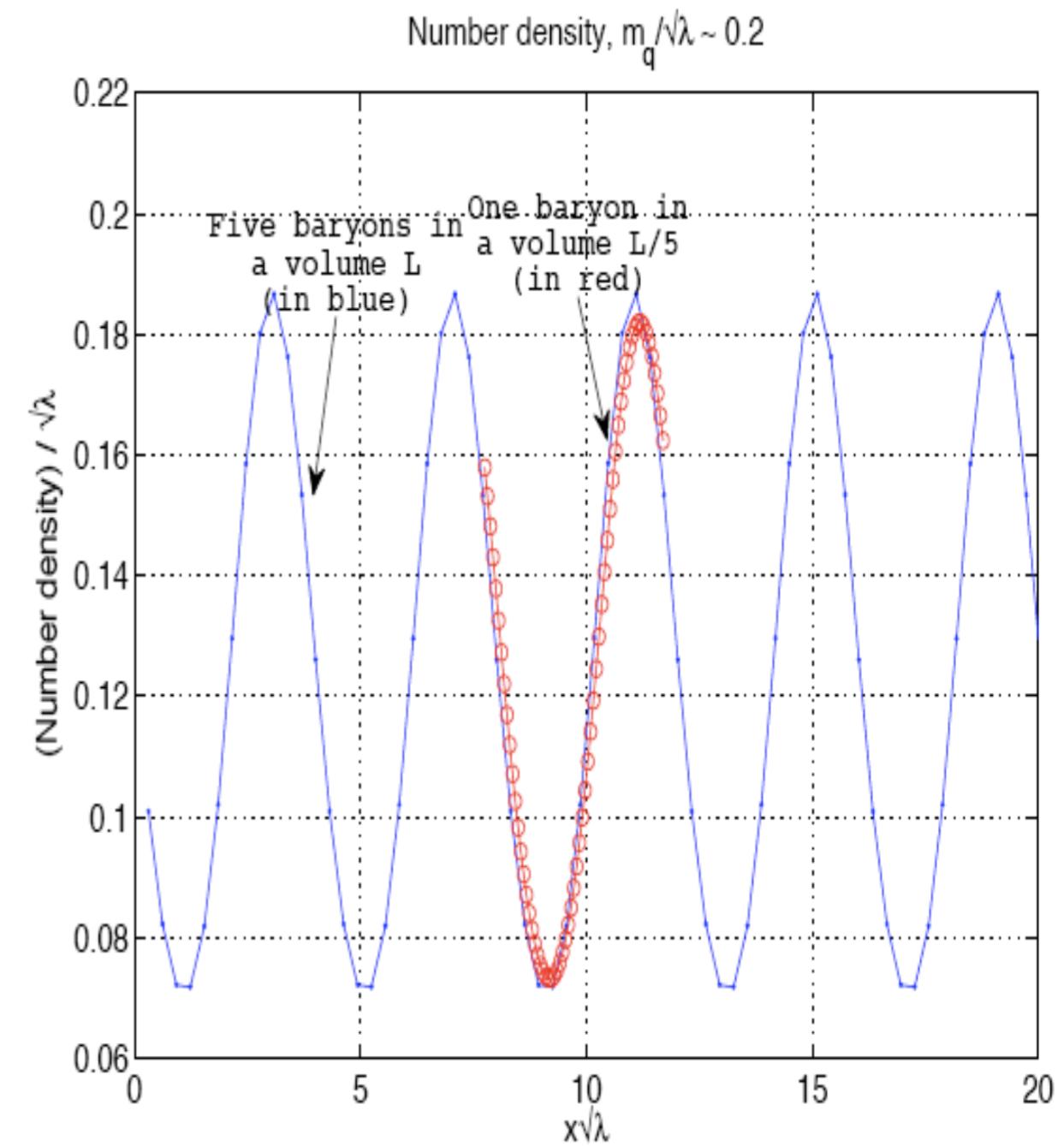
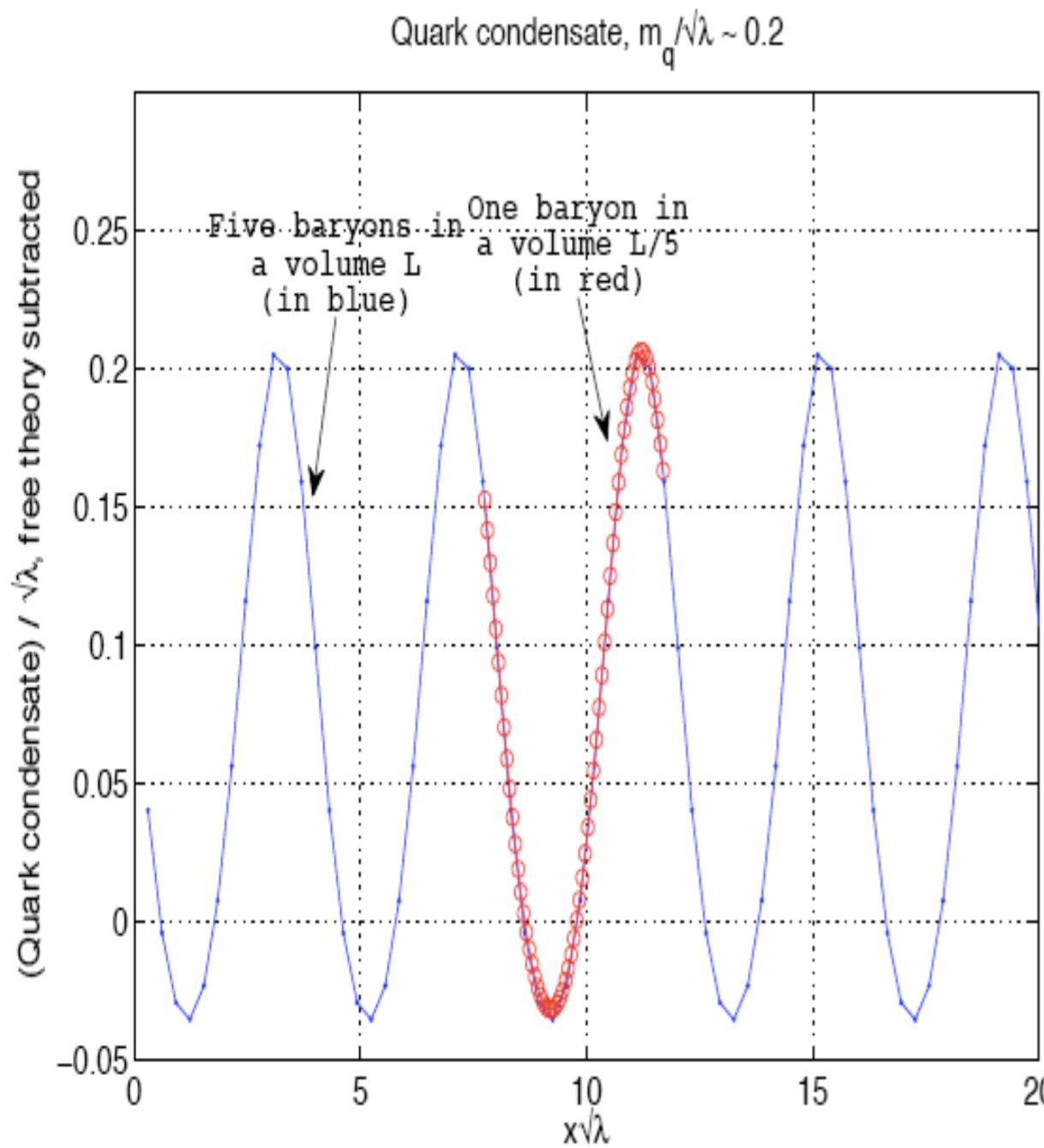


# Results : $\mathbf{B=1}$



Here  $a\sqrt{\lambda/(2\pi)} = 0.123$ ,  $m/\sqrt{\lambda} = 0.5/\sqrt{2\pi}$ ,  $L\sqrt{\lambda/(2\pi)} = 16$ .

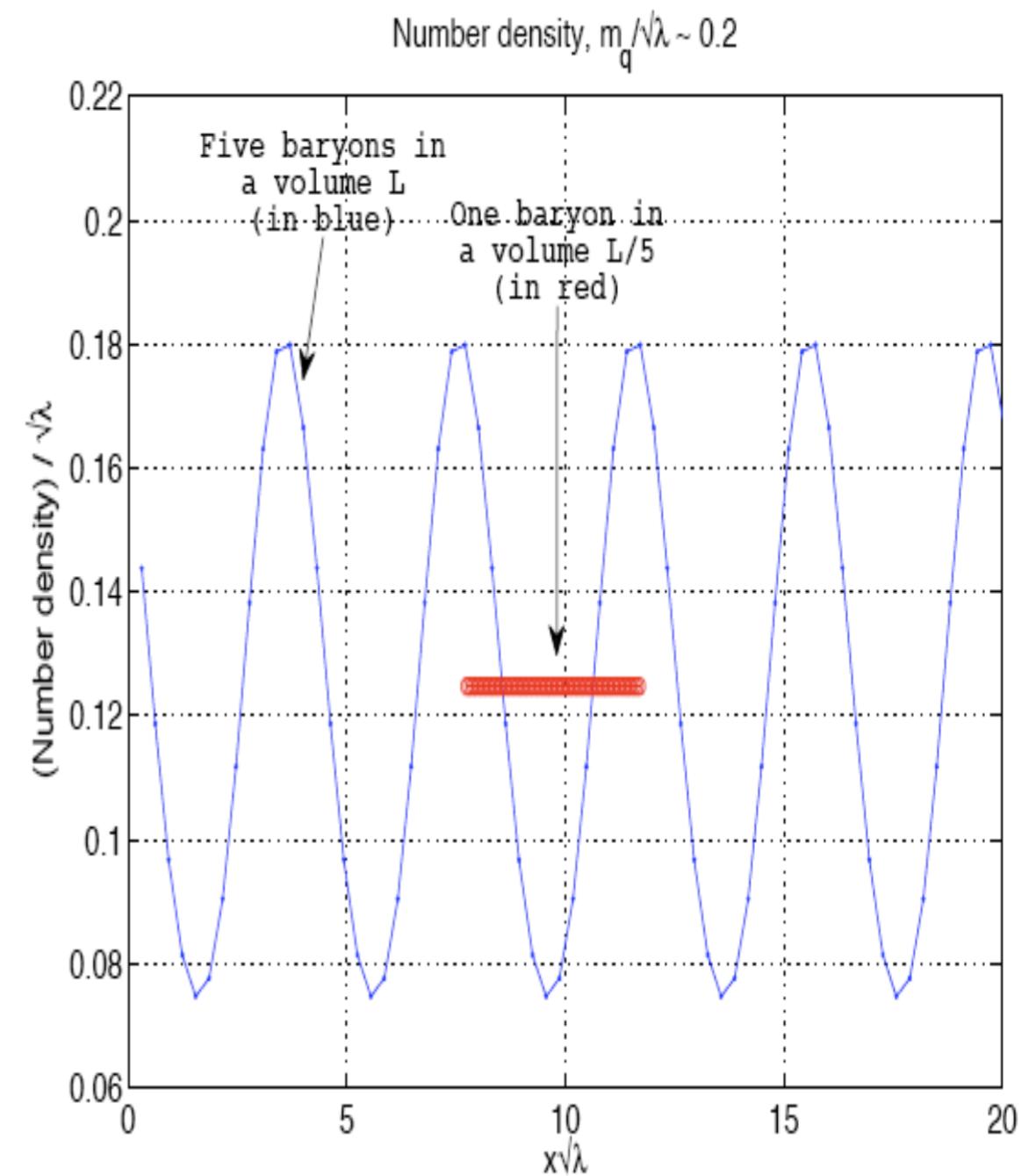
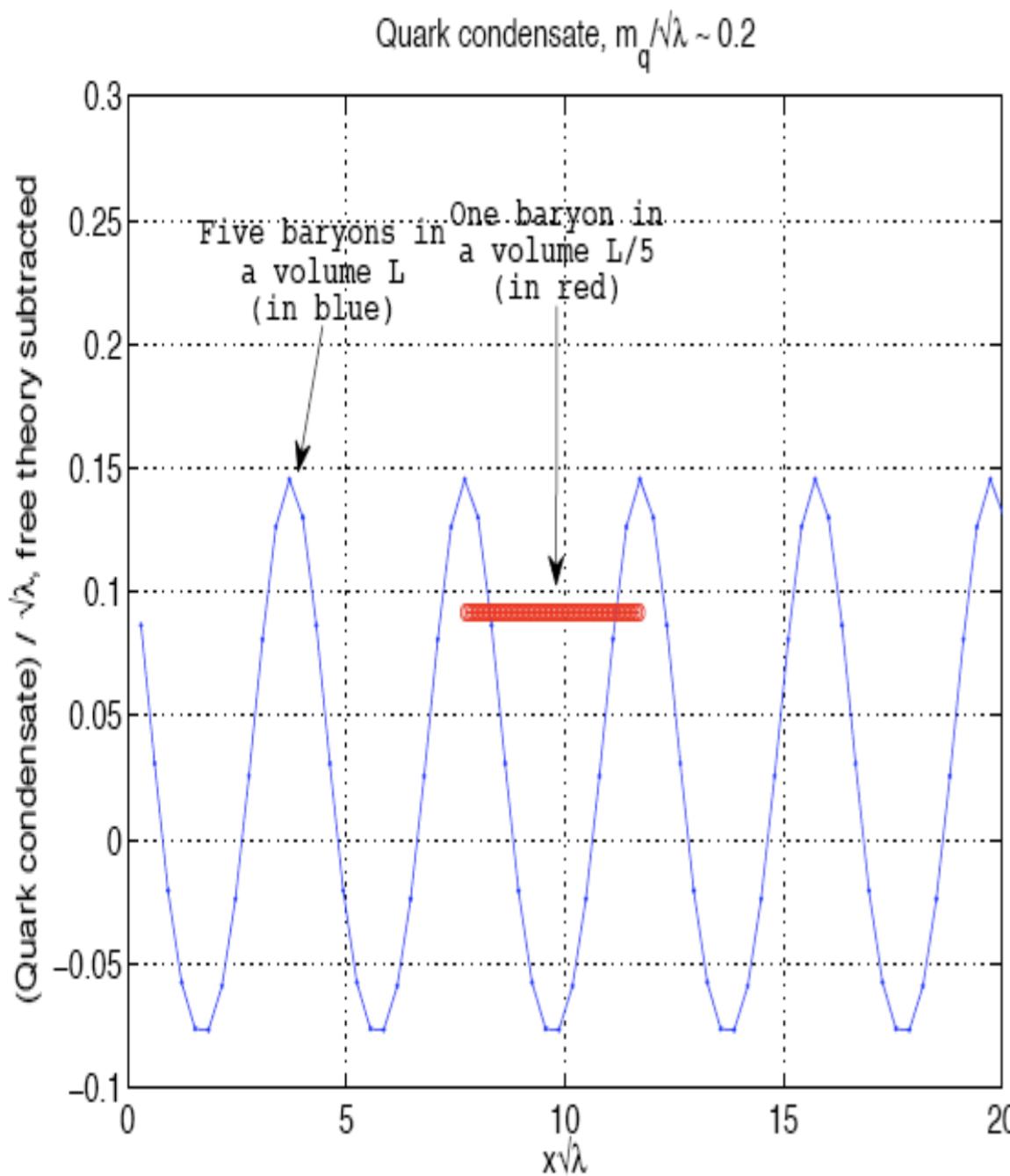
# Results : $B > 1$



$$M = 25$$

$$L\sqrt{\lambda/(2\pi)} = 16$$

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# Coherent states

- QCD admits an overcomplete “coherent state” basis  $|\mathcal{C}\rangle = U(\mathcal{C})|0\rangle$

$|0\rangle = \text{some state in Hilbert space}$

$$U(\mathcal{C}) = \exp \left[ \mathcal{C}_F \times \psi_x^\dagger U_{x \rightarrow y} \psi_y \right] \times \exp \left[ \mathcal{C}_g^{(1)} \times N \text{tr}(\hat{W}) + \mathcal{C}_g^{(2)} \times N \text{tr}(\hat{E}^i \lambda^i \hat{W}) \right]$$

which becomes classical at large-N

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial \hat{A}}{\partial t} = -i[\hat{A}, H] \right\} \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{\partial a(\mathcal{C})}{\partial t} = -\{a(\mathcal{C}), \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{C})\}_{\text{PB}} \right\} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{aligned} a(\mathcal{C}) &= \langle \mathcal{C} | \hat{A} | \mathcal{C} \rangle \\ \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{C}) &= \langle \mathcal{C} | H | \mathcal{C} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- Effectively makes whole dynamics classical and :

$$\text{diag } (H_{\text{quantum}}) \longrightarrow \min_{\mathcal{C}} [\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{C})] \quad \text{and} \quad \left\langle \sum_a e^{i\varphi_a} \right\rangle, \left\langle \sum_a \bar{\psi}^a \psi^a \right\rangle = f(\mathcal{C})_{|\mathcal{C}=\mathcal{C}_{\min}}$$

# Coherent states, cont'd

- Dominance of glue over fermions :

$$\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{H}_{\text{glue}}(\mathcal{C}_g) + \mathcal{H}_F(\mathcal{C}_F, \mathcal{C}_g)$$

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 $O(N^2)$        $O(N)$

- Step A : Minimize leading

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{glue}}(\mathcal{C}_g) = \langle \mathcal{C}_g | H_{\text{glue}} | \mathcal{C}_g \rangle \longrightarrow \text{fix } \mathcal{C}_g = \mathcal{C}_{g,\min}$$



$$\left\langle \sum_a e^{i\varphi_a} \right\rangle, \left\langle \sum_a e^{2i\varphi_a} \right\rangle = f(\mathcal{C}_{g,\min})$$

- Step B : Minimize sub-leading

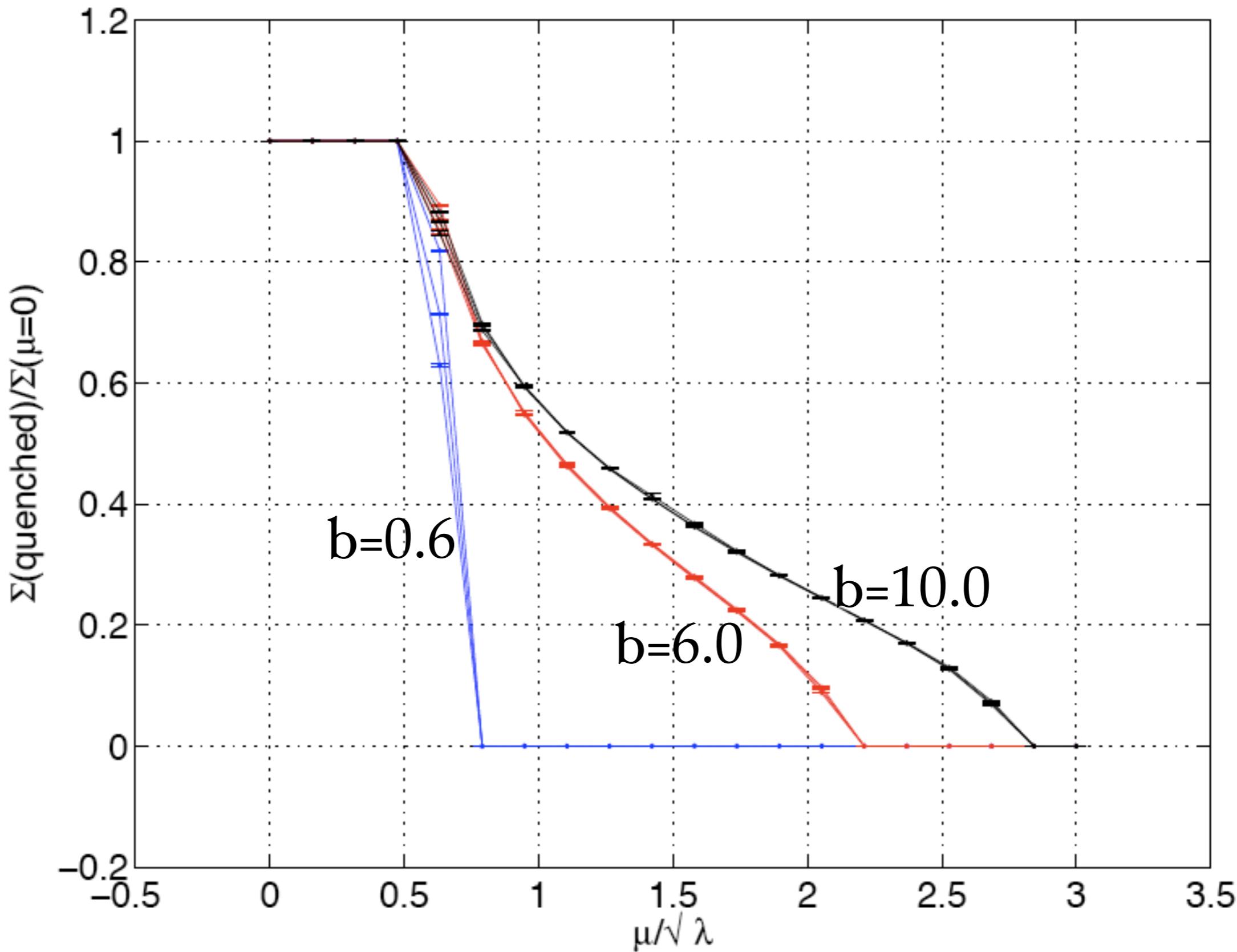
$$\mathcal{H}_F(\mathcal{C}_g = \mathcal{C}_{g,\min}, \mathcal{C}_F) = \langle \mathcal{C}_{g,\min} | \langle \mathcal{C}_F | H_F | \mathcal{C}_F \rangle | \mathcal{C}_{g,\min} \rangle \longrightarrow \text{fix } \mathcal{C}_F = \mathcal{C}_{F,\min}$$



$$\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle = f(\mathcal{C}_{g,\min}, \mathcal{C}_{F,\min})$$

# Results : quenched condensates

N=10,20,40 and b=0.6,6.0,10.0



Results : try  $Z_N$  average

Re-sum path integral

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{N_{\text{cfg}}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{cfg}}} \mathcal{O}_i \longrightarrow \frac{1}{N_{\text{cfg}}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{cfg}}} \left( \frac{1}{N^d} \sum_{k_1}^N \sum_{k_2=1}^N \cdots \sum_{k_d=1}^N \mathcal{O}_i^k \right)$$