



*Quantum Phase Transitions in odd-A Nuclei:  
The Effect of the Odd Particle along the Critical Line*

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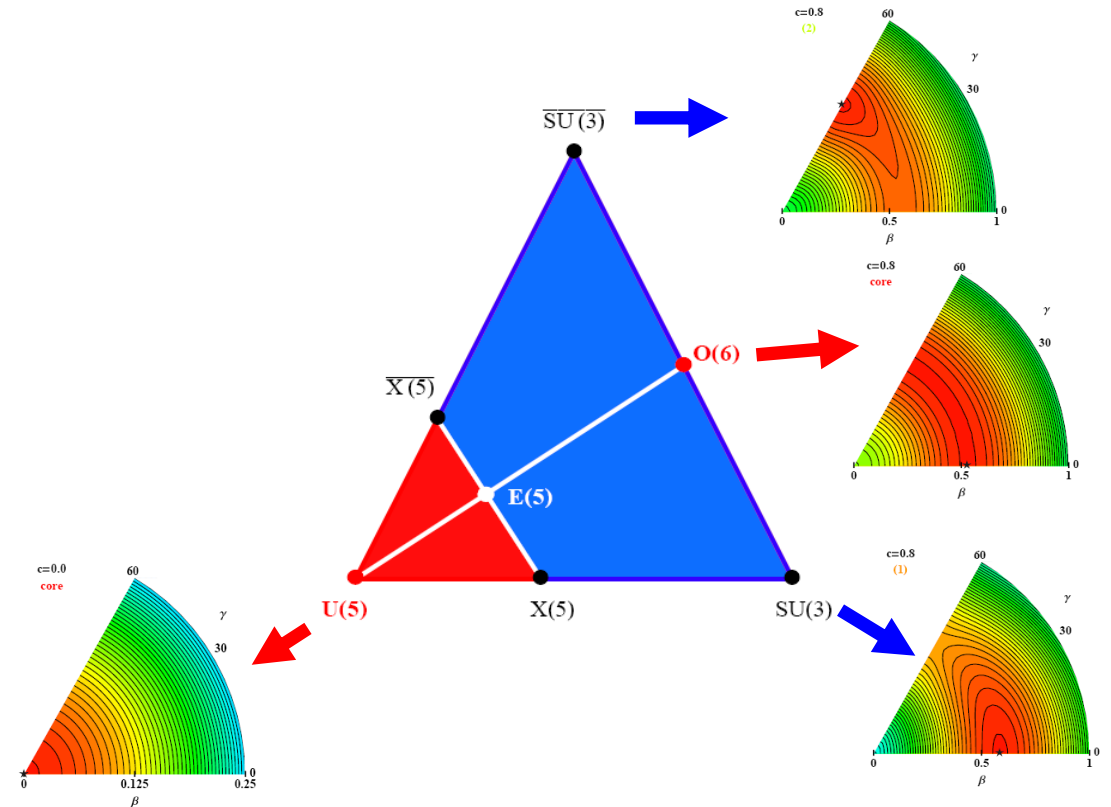


# *In this work...*

- We consider
  - the case of a single-j fermion coupled to the bosonic core
  - that performs a transition along the  $X(5) - E(5) - \overline{X}(5)$  line varying the control parameters in the boson Hamiltonian.
- Our purpose is
  - to see the effect of the coupling of the single fermion,
  - to understand how the coupled single particle modifies geometry of the bosonic system
  - when the core shifts along the critical line of the extended symmetry triangle.
  - How the behavior of the **individual coupled states** at the transitional region.
- *This situation is described with the intrinsic frame formalism of the IBFM.*

# Potential Energy Surphase (PES) $V(\beta, \gamma)$ :

- A useful way of looking at phase transitions is to apply the concept of intrinsic frame to associate Potential Energy Surphase to Hamiltonian depending on  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ .
  - The  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  play a similar role to the intrinsic collective shape variables in the Bohr Hamiltonian.
  - The  $\beta$  variable measures the axial deviation from sphericity
  - The angle variable  $\gamma$  controls the departure from axial deformation.



$$H^B = (1-c)\hat{n}_d - \frac{c}{4N_B} \hat{Q}_B^\chi \cdot \hat{Q}_B^\chi$$

**Spherical**

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**Deformed**

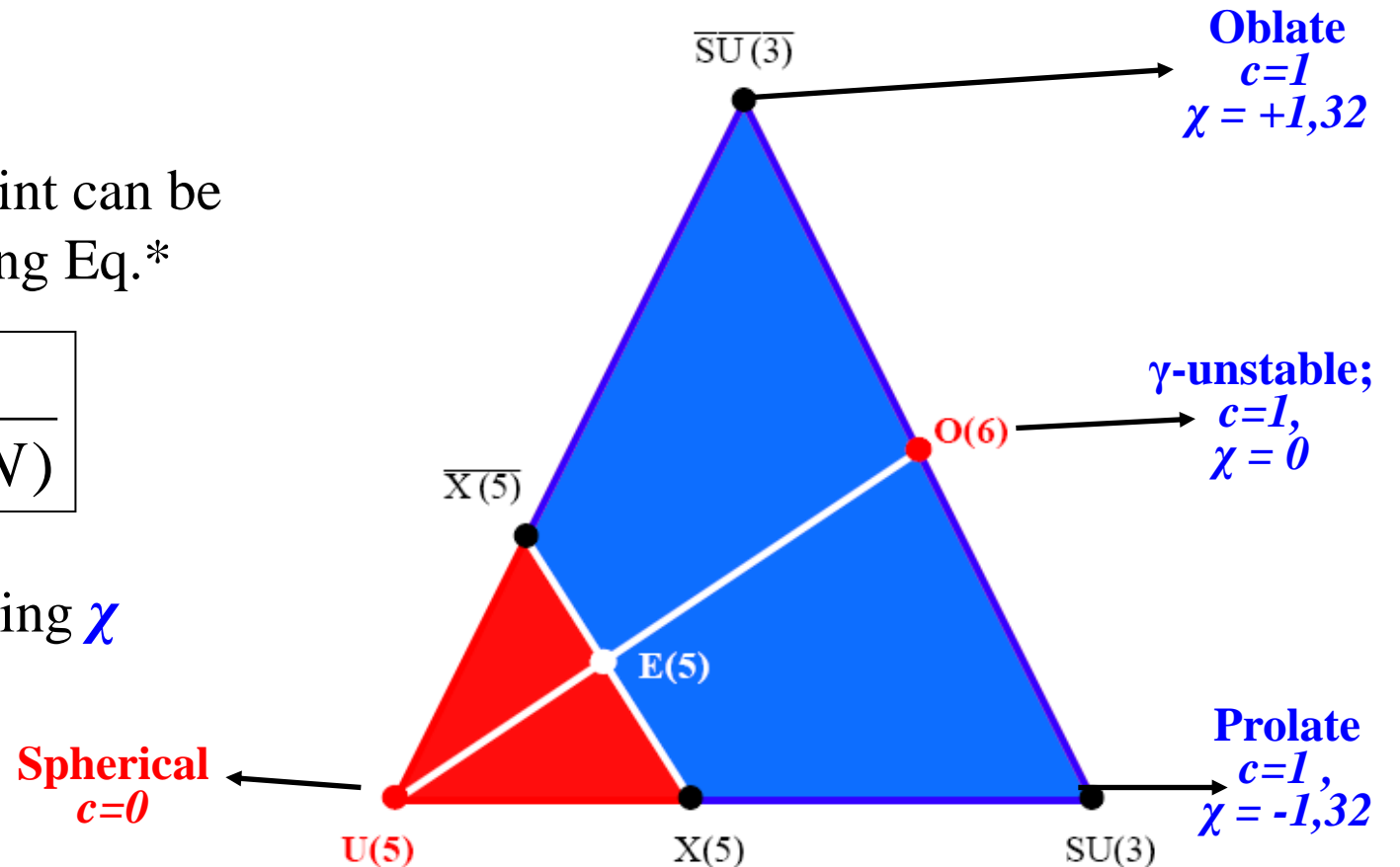
$$\hat{Q}_B^\chi = (s^+ \times \tilde{d} + d^+ \times \tilde{s})^{(2)} + \chi(d^+ \times \tilde{d})^{(2)}$$

For the given Hamiltonian, the critical point can be calculated numerically within the following Eq.\*

$$c_{cr}(N, \chi) = \frac{28N}{56(N-1) + \chi^2(5+2N)}$$

one can move along critical line by changing  $\chi$

\*by E. Williams, R. J. Casperson, V. Werner, Phys. Rev. C 82, 054308 (2010)



# *The Intrinsic Frame Formalism* (within the IBM)

The intrinsic state for the g.s. band of an even-even nucleus

$$\Phi_{gs}(\beta, \gamma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} [b_{gs}^+(\beta, \gamma)]^N |0\rangle$$

The boson creation operator is given by

$$b_{gs}^+(\beta, \gamma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\beta^2}} \left[ s^+ + \beta \cos \gamma d_0^+ + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \gamma (d_2^+ + d_{-2}^+) \right] |0\rangle$$

The PES is obtained by calculating the expectation value of the  $H_B$  in the intrinsic state

$$E_{gs}(\beta, \gamma) = \langle \Phi_{gs}(\beta, \gamma) | H_B | \Phi_{gs}(\beta, \gamma) \rangle$$

# *Intrinsic Frame Formalism for odd-even nuclei*

- Intrinsic frame states for **the mixed boson-fermion** system can **be constructed** by coupling the single particle states to the intrinsic states of the **boson core**.
- To obtain them, we **first construct the coupled states**

$$\Psi_{jK}(\beta, \gamma) = \Phi_{gs}(\beta, \gamma) \otimes |jK\rangle$$

- **Then** diagonalize the total boson-fermion Hamiltonian in this basis, giving **a set of energy eigenvalues**  $E_n(\beta, \gamma)$ .

**Here n is an index to count solutions in the odd-even system.**

# First Application... $U(5) \rightarrow O(6)$

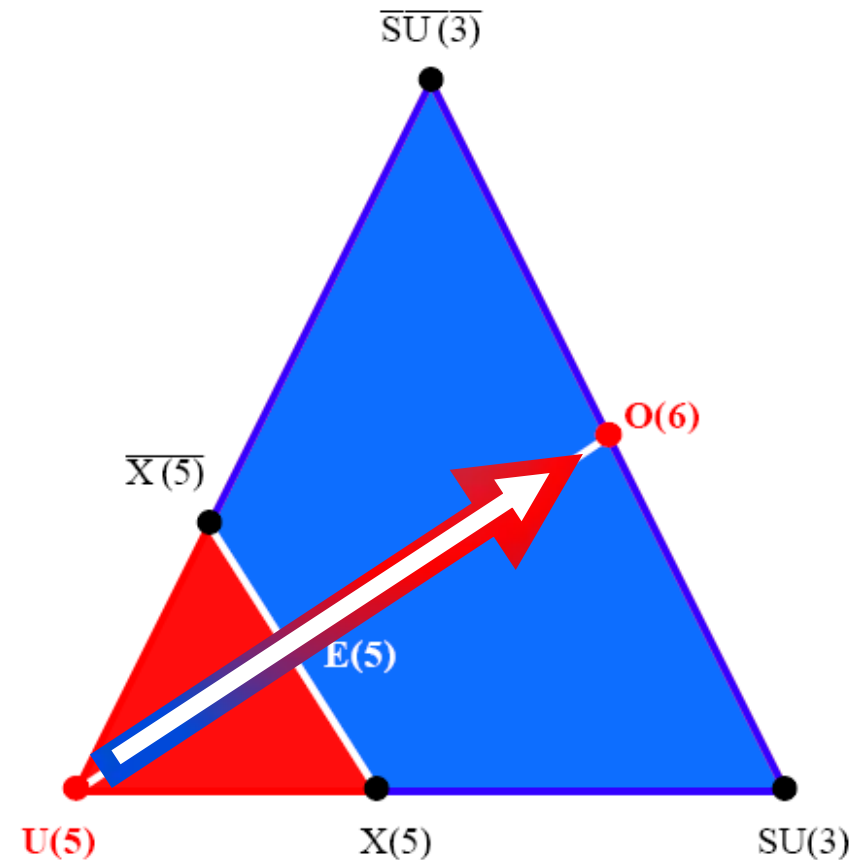
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# *Hamiltonian*

- IBFM Hamiltonian is written as

$$H = H_B + H_F + V_{BF}$$

$H_B$  is the bosonic part,  
 $H_F$  is the fermionic part,  
 $V_{BF}$  term couples the boson and fermion.

- The IBFM Hamiltonian is parametrized as follows **[U(5) → O(6)]** :

$$H = (1 - c)\hat{n}_d - \frac{c}{4N} \hat{Q}_{BF}^{\chi=0} \cdot \hat{Q}_{BF}^{\chi=0}$$

$$\hat{n}_d = \sum_{\mu} d_{\mu}^+ d_{\mu}$$

$$\hat{Q}_{BF} = \hat{Q}_B + \hat{q}_F$$

- The boson-fermion interaction

$$\hat{V}_{BF} = -\frac{c}{2N} \hat{Q}_B \cdot \hat{q}_F$$

$$\hat{Q}_B^{\chi=0} = (s^+ \times \tilde{d} + d^+ \times \tilde{s})^{(2)} + 0 \cdot (d^+ \times \tilde{d})^{(2)}$$

$$\hat{q}_F = t_j (a_j^+ \times \tilde{a}_j)^{(2)}$$

- For this Hamiltonian, the critical point is numerically found as

$$c_{cr}(N, \chi = 0) = \frac{N}{2(N - 1)}$$

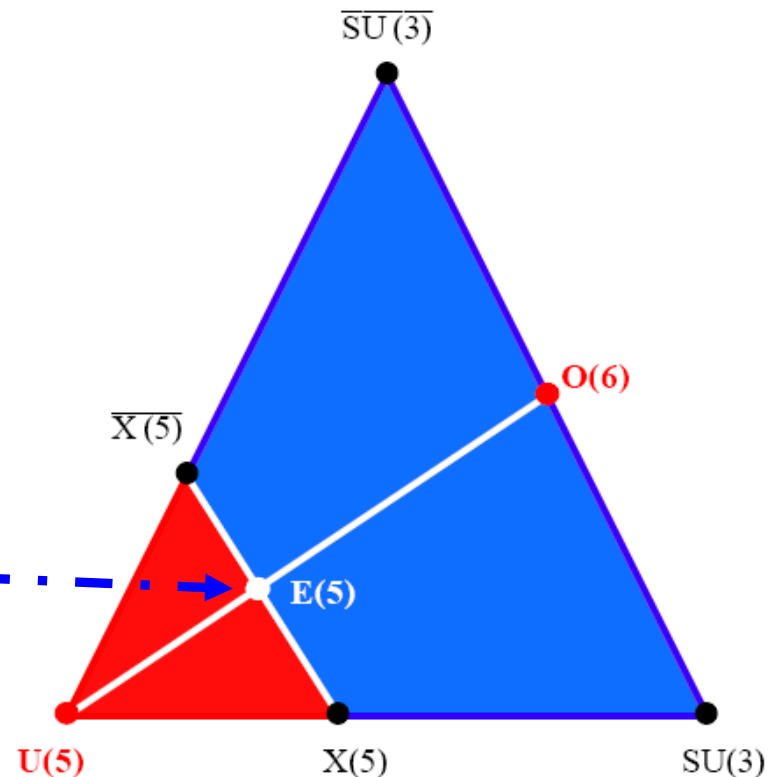


# Hamiltonian

- The Boson Hamiltonian [**U(5);  $c=0$**  and **O(6);  $c=1, \chi=0.$** ]

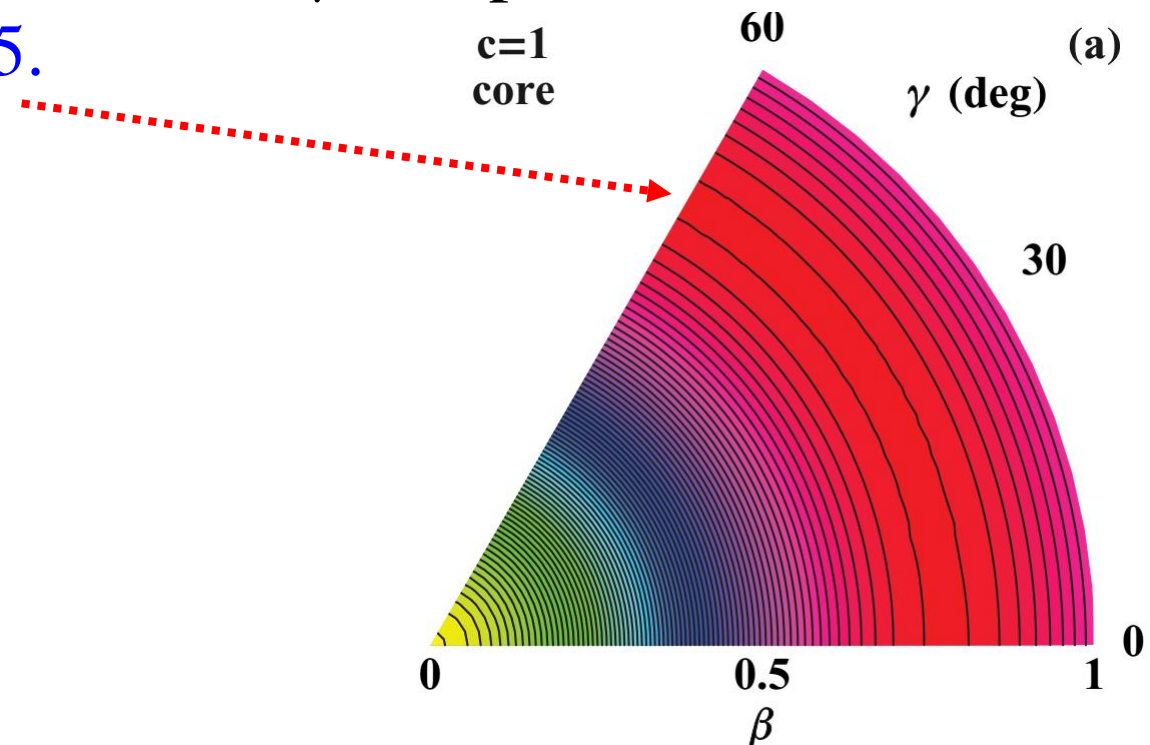
- By changing  $c$  between two limits, a continuous (*2nd-order*) transition is observed with the critical point at

$$c_{cr}(N, \chi = 0) = \frac{N}{2(N-1)}$$



# *Results of this application...*

- Firstly, we consider the boson core in O(6) limit,
- For this, the control parameter  $\mathbf{c=1, \chi=0}$  in the  $H_B$ .
- The corresponding energy function is  $\gamma$ -independent
- In this case  $\beta = 0.78$  for  $N=5$ .



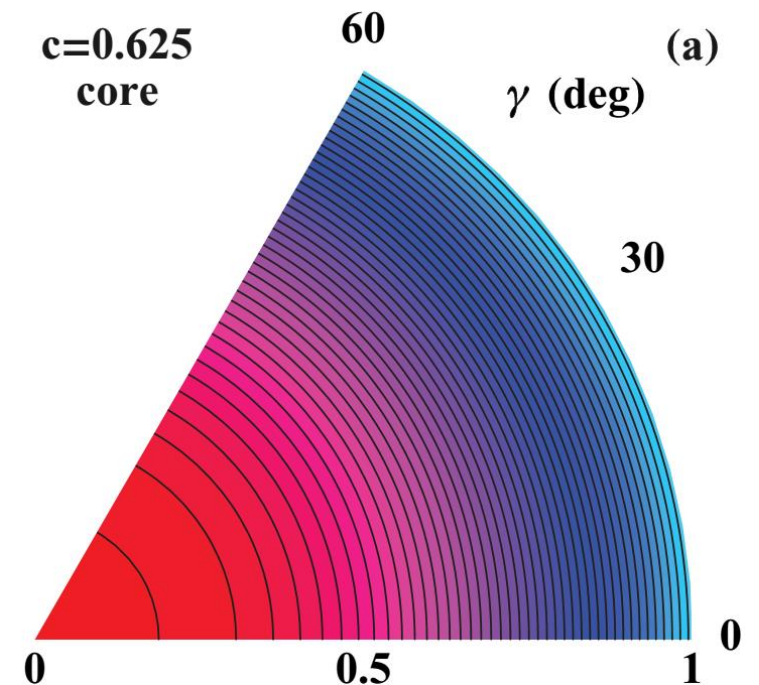
## *Coming to the situation at the critical point.*

- For the case under study ( $N_B = 5$ ) the critical point for the even-even system is located at  $c = 0.625$ .

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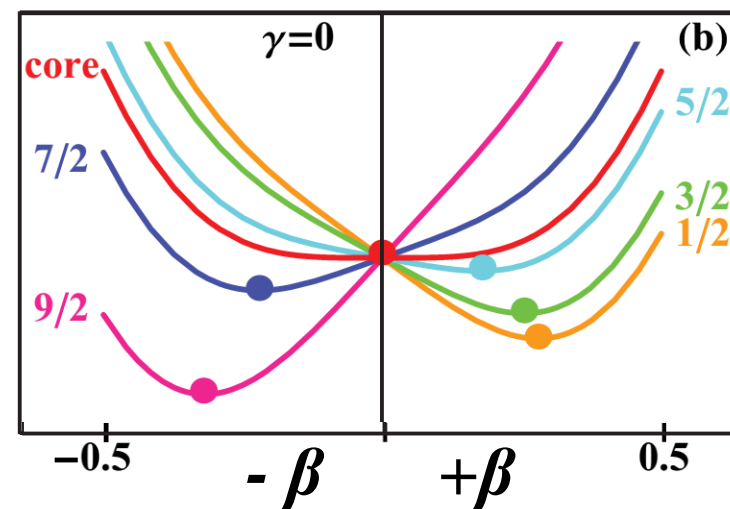
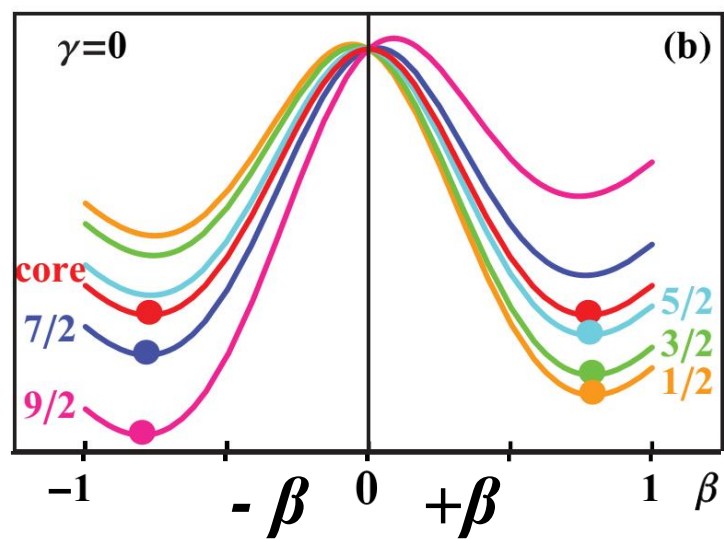
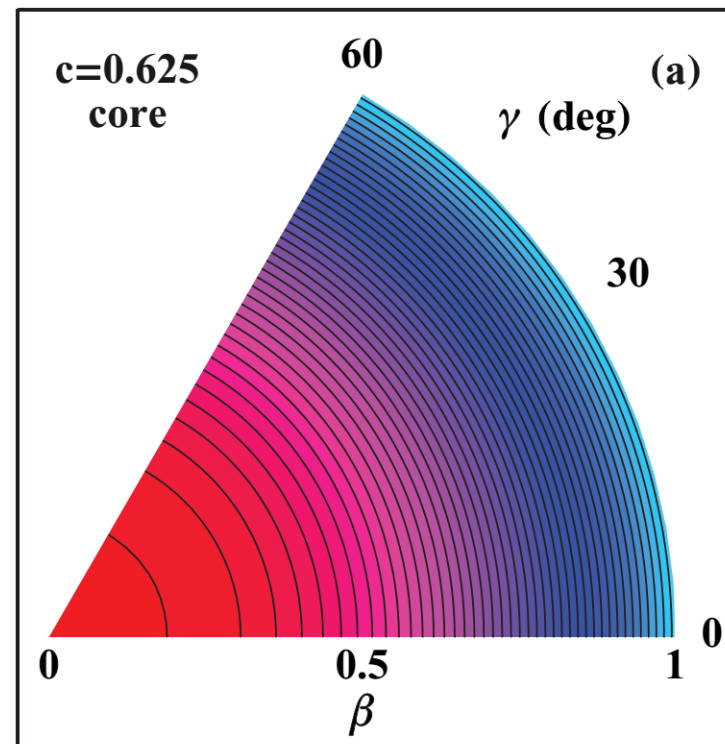
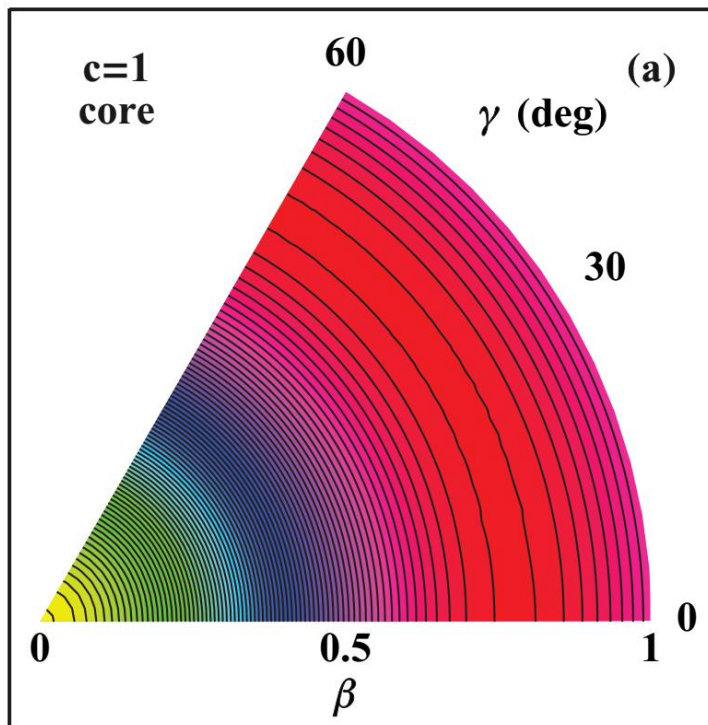
$$c_{cr}(N = 5, \chi = 0) = 0.625$$

- The energy surface is plotted for the even-even core.
- It is seen that the even-even system is  $\gamma$ -unstable and has a spherical minimum.



# Bose-Fermi system

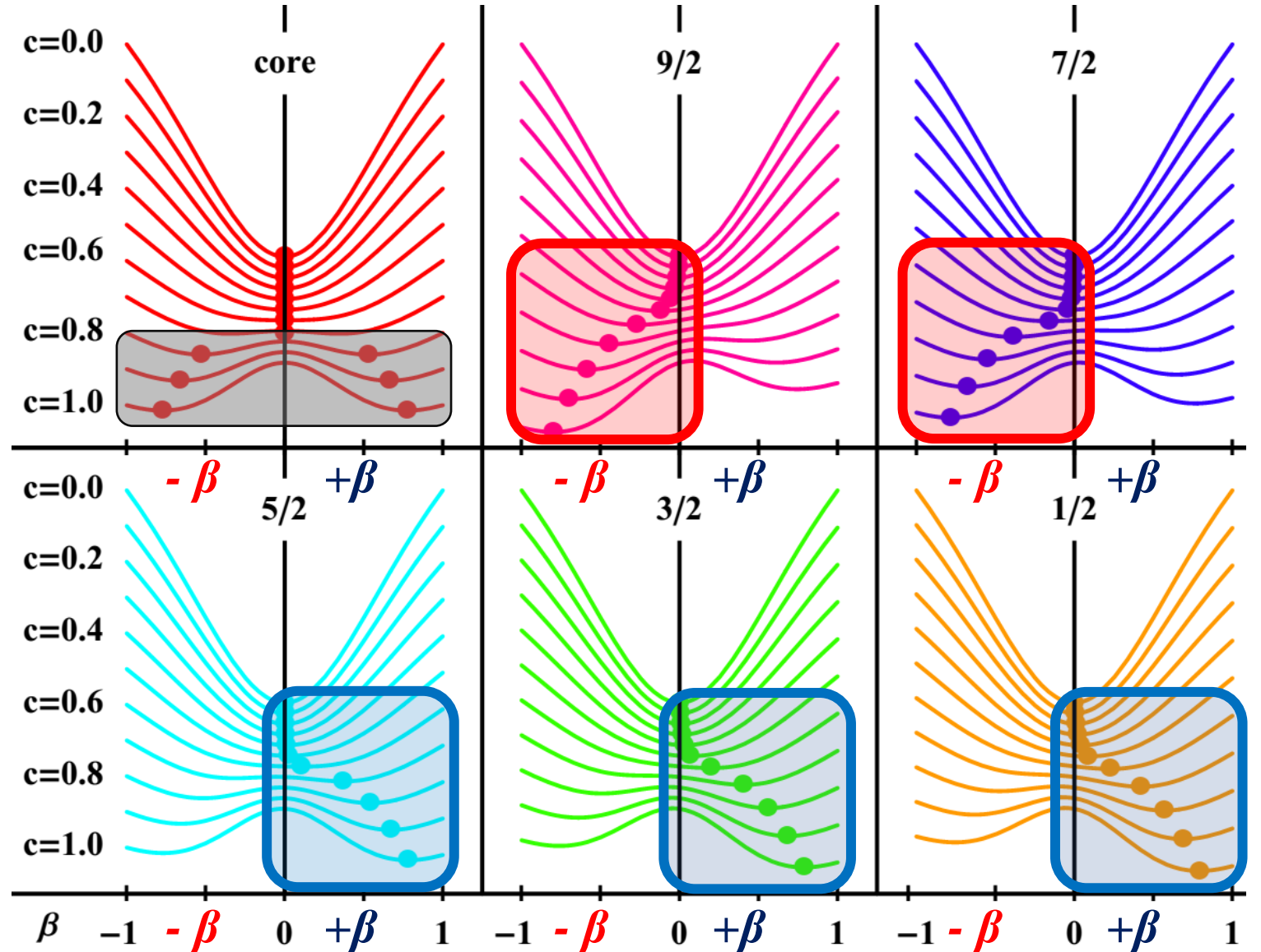
**A single fermion with  $j=9/2$  is coupled to boson core  
to consider in a mixed Bose-Fermi system.**



Evolution of the energy surfaces for a set of  $c$ .

*When moving into the transitional region ( $c$  is  $0 \rightarrow 1$ );*

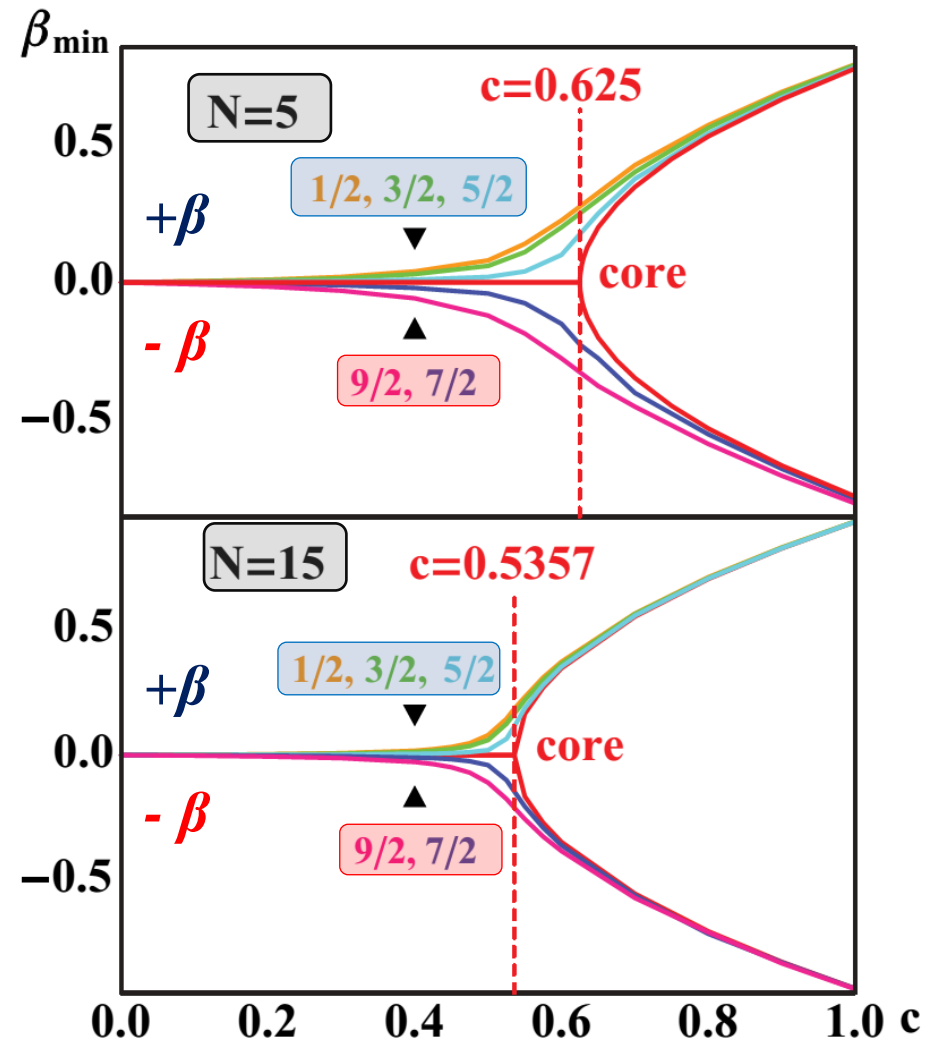
When the **core** is  $\gamma$ -unstable,  $\mathbf{K}=9/2, 7/2$  states are **oblate**,  $\mathbf{K}=5/2, 3/2, 1/2$  are **prolate**





*The overall results are summarized  
the minima in  $\beta$  for the different odd-even states are plotted versus  $c$ .*

- Positive values correspond to **prolate** deformation, while negative ones mean **oblate** shapes.
- **The e-e case is plotted as a reference.**
  - All over the transition the states with  $K=1/2, 3/2, 5/2$  prefer to be **prolate** while  $K=7/2, 9/2$  are **oblate**.
- The odd surfaces tend to follow the behaviour of the bosonic core.
- Smaller  $N$ ;  
the deviations from the core are larger for all  $K$ 's.
- As  $N$  grows;  
the transition of o-e system gets closer to the core.
- The  $\gamma$ -unstability of the core allows the odd states to drive either a prolate or a oblate shape.



# Application for... $U(5) \rightarrow SU(3)$ & $U(5) \rightarrow \overline{SU(3)}$

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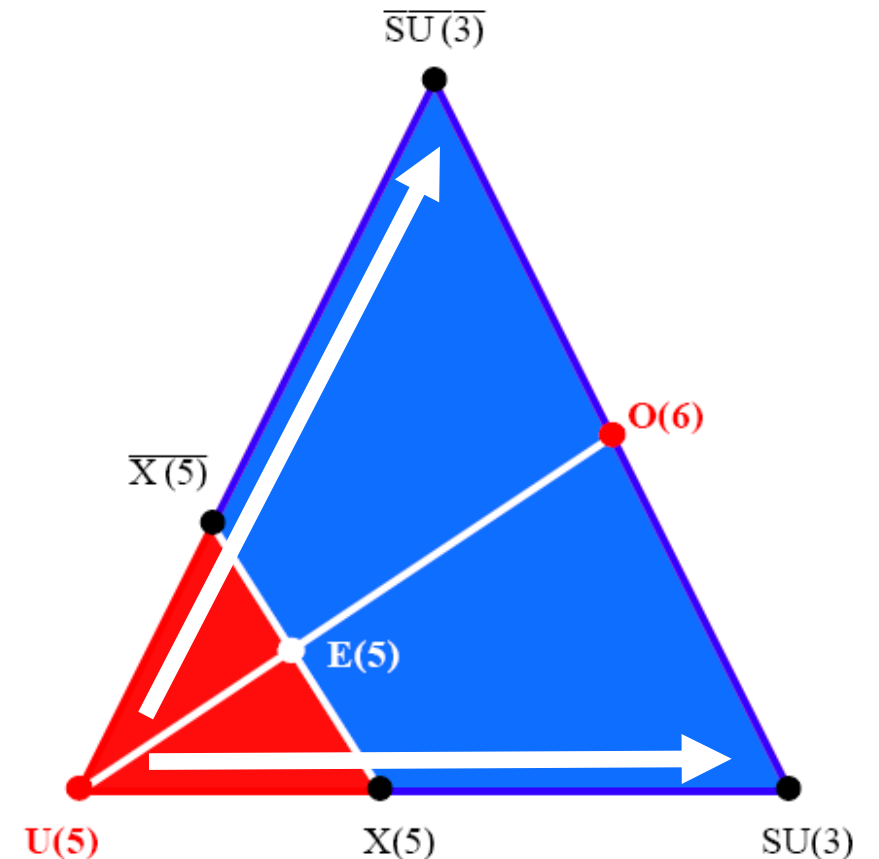
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# Second Application : Transition from spherical to prolate

Transition from **sph.**  $\rightarrow$  **pro.** [ $\mathbf{c}=1, \chi=-\sqrt{7}/2$ ] **sph.**  $\rightarrow$  **obl.** [ $\mathbf{c}=1, \chi=+\sqrt{7}/2$ ]

$$H^B = (1-c)\hat{n}_d - \frac{c}{4N_B} \hat{Q}_B^{\chi \neq 0} \cdot \hat{Q}_B^{\chi \neq 0}$$

**Spherical**

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**Deformed**

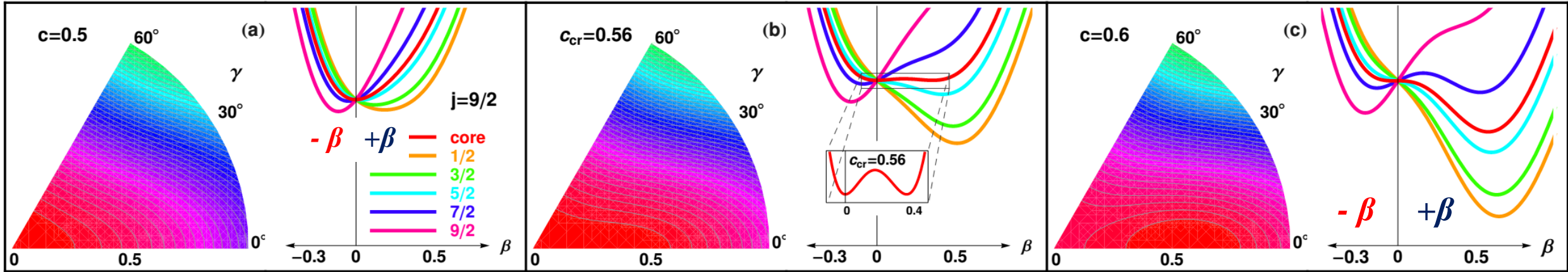
$$\hat{Q}_B^{\chi \neq 0} = (s^{+} \times \tilde{d} + d^{+} \times \tilde{s})^{(2)} \mp \frac{\sqrt{7}}{2} (d^{+} \times \tilde{d})^{(2)}$$

- *1st-order* transition is observed with the critical point at

$$c_{cr}(N, \chi) = \frac{28N}{56(N-1) + \chi^2(5+2N)}$$

$$c_{cr}(N, \chi = \mp \sqrt{7}/2) = \frac{16N}{(34N-27)}$$

# Transition from spherical to axially prolate



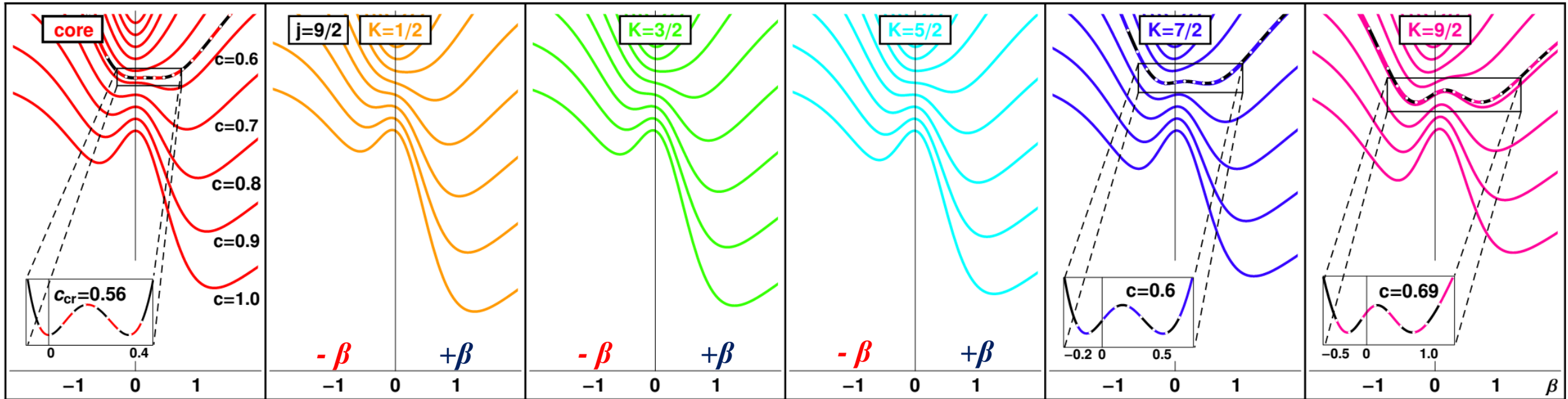
- Contour plots in the  $\beta$ - $\gamma$  plane are for the e-e core with 5 bosons.
- Cuts of the energy surfaces as a function of  $\beta$  are for the o-e system (for each magnetic component of  $j = 9/2$ ).

The effect of odd particle on the core around the critical point.

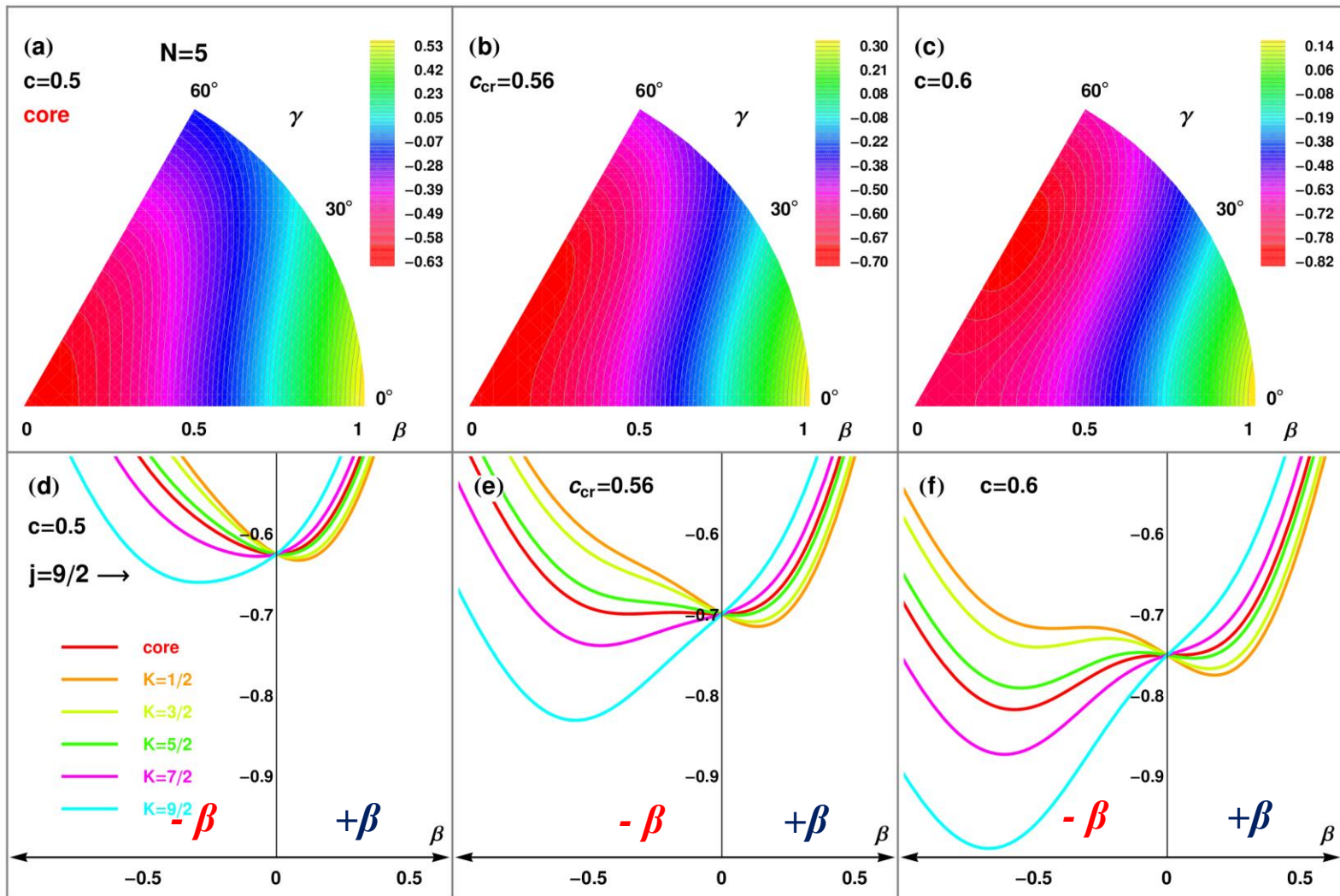
- Energy surfaces at  $c = 0.5$ ,
- at the critical point  $c_{cr} = 0.56$ ,
- at  $c = 0.6$ .

$$c_{cr}(N, \chi = -\sqrt{7}/2) = 16N / (34N - 27)$$

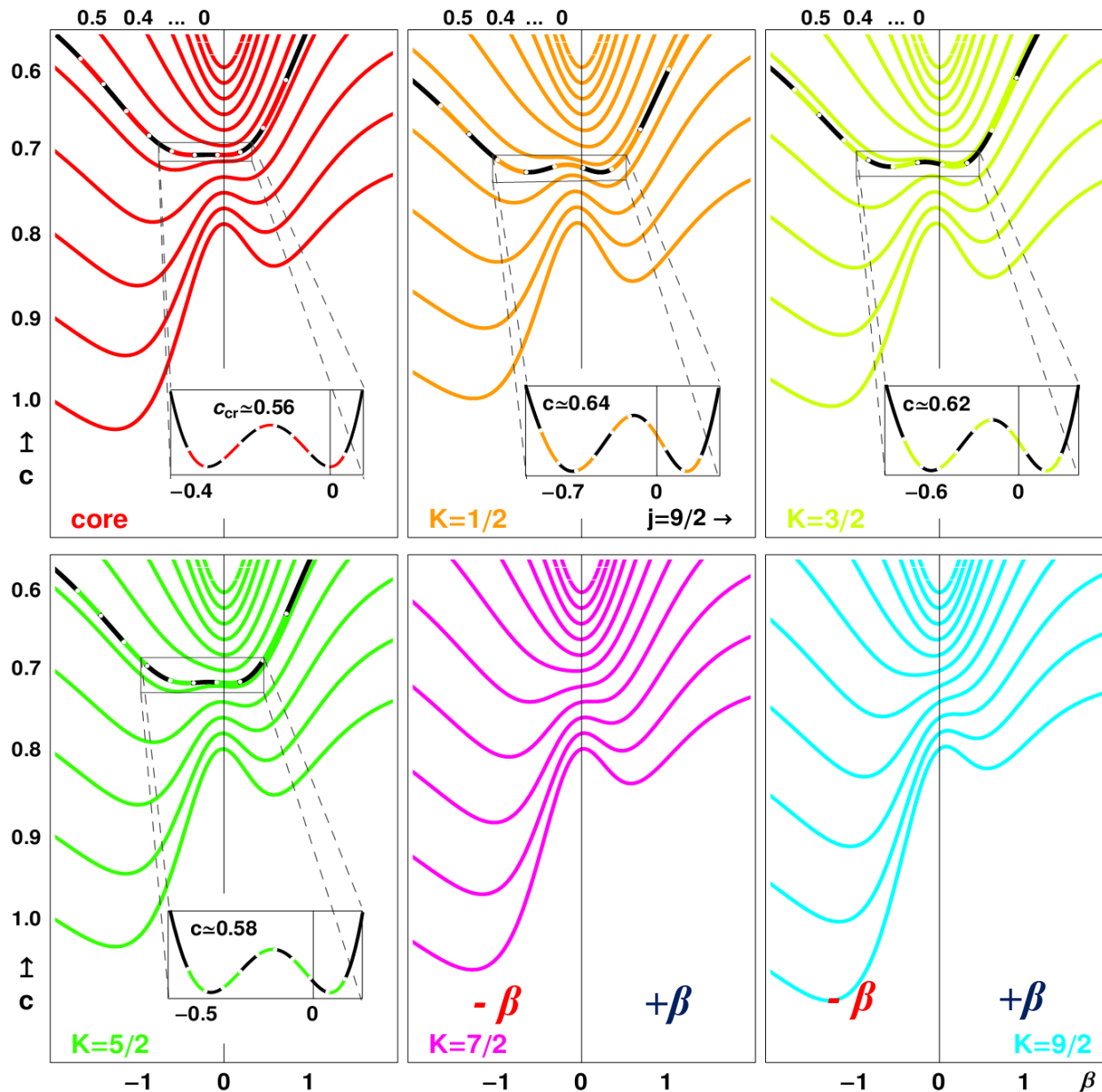
$$c_{cr}(N = 5, \chi = -\sqrt{7}/2) = 0.56$$



- The evolution of the energy surfaces along the shape phase transition for the boson core with 5 magnetic components  $K$ .
- States with  $K= 1/2, 3/2, 5/2$  always favor prolate shapes, while states with  $K= 7/2, 9/2$  are oblate up to  $c_{(7/2)} \simeq 0.6$  and  $c_{(9/2)} \simeq 0.7$ , after these points, they suddenly change to prolate shapes.
- Therefore we can suggest that both states,  $K=7/2, 9/2$ , show 1st order transitions, since they have two absolute minima.



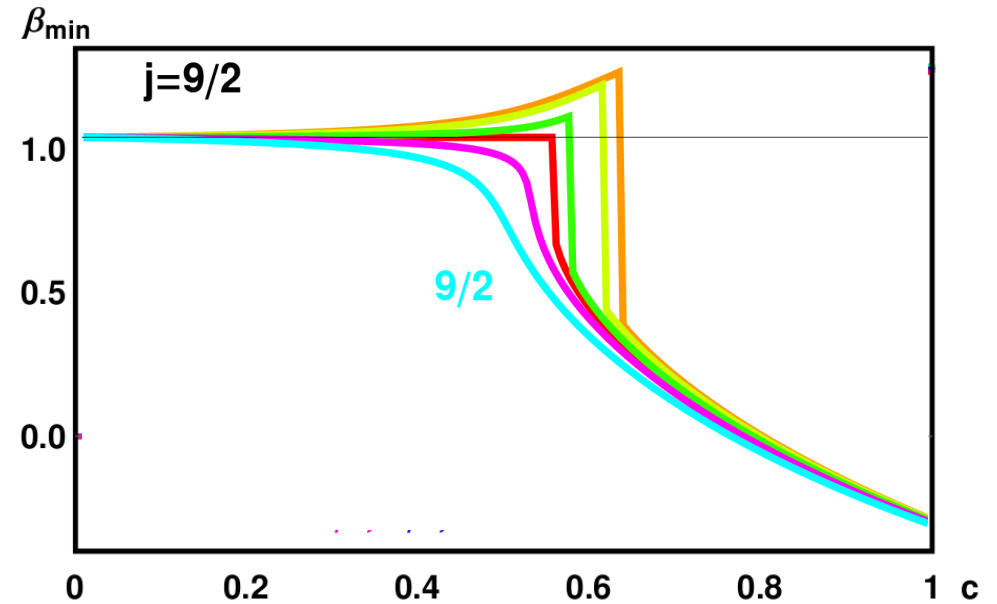
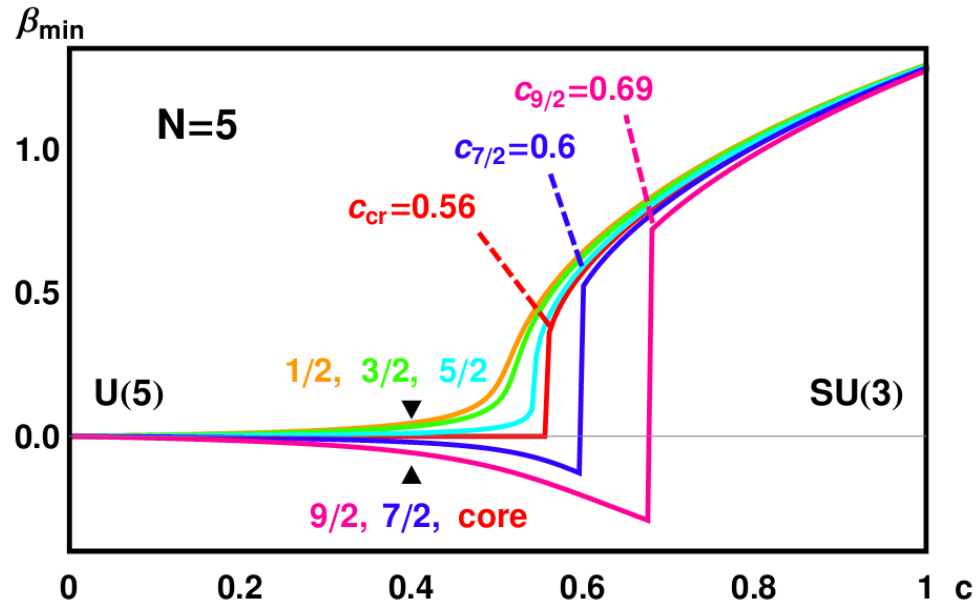
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- Therefore we can suggest that both states,  $1/2, 3/2, 5/2$ , show 1st order transitions, since they have two absolute minima.



# Evolution of $\beta_{\min}$ as a function of $c$ : transition from **sph. to pro.** & **sph. to obl.**



Before the critical point of core;

The states with larger  $K$  values move to their preferred oblate deformation, while the states with smaller  $K$  ones are prolate

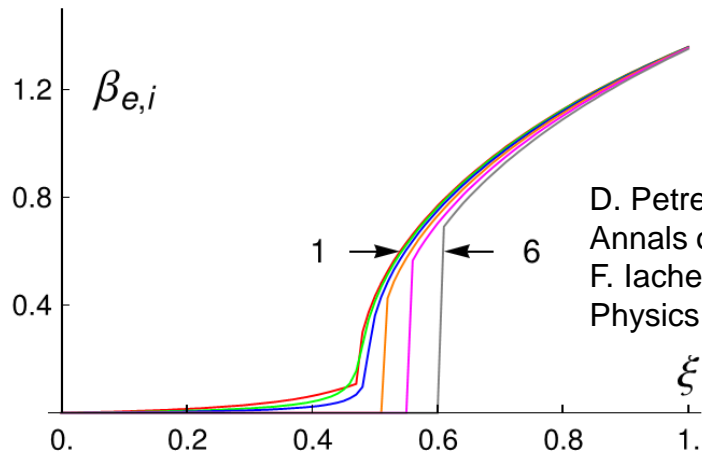
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After the bosonic critical point;

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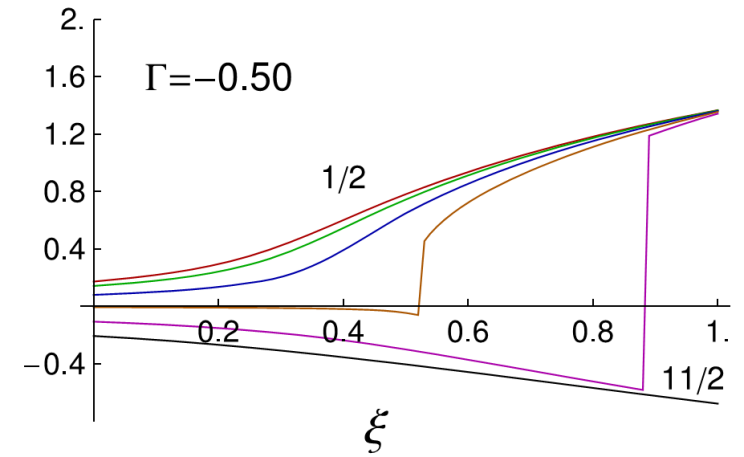
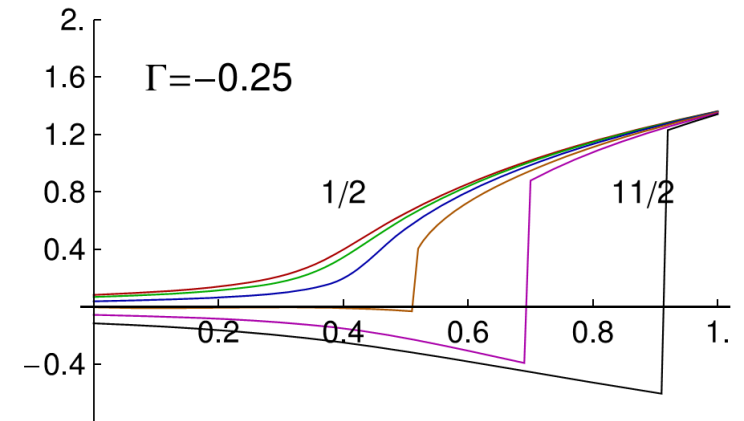
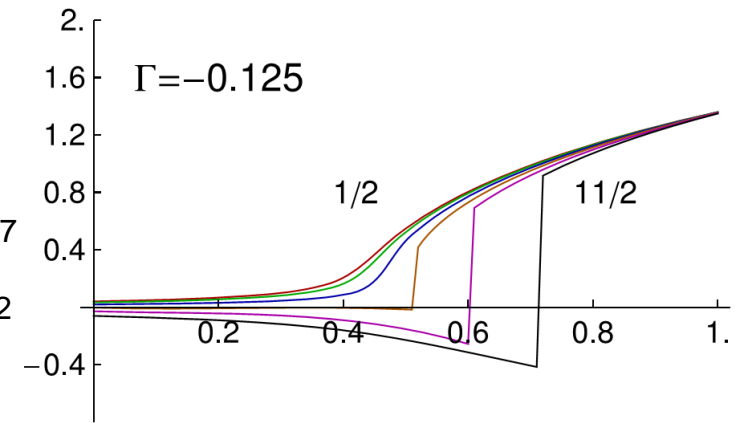
- In the pure deformed region the dominant action of the strongly **prolate/oblate** core drives all odd states into the **prolate/oblate** side and they have approximately the same  $\beta_{\min}$  as the core.

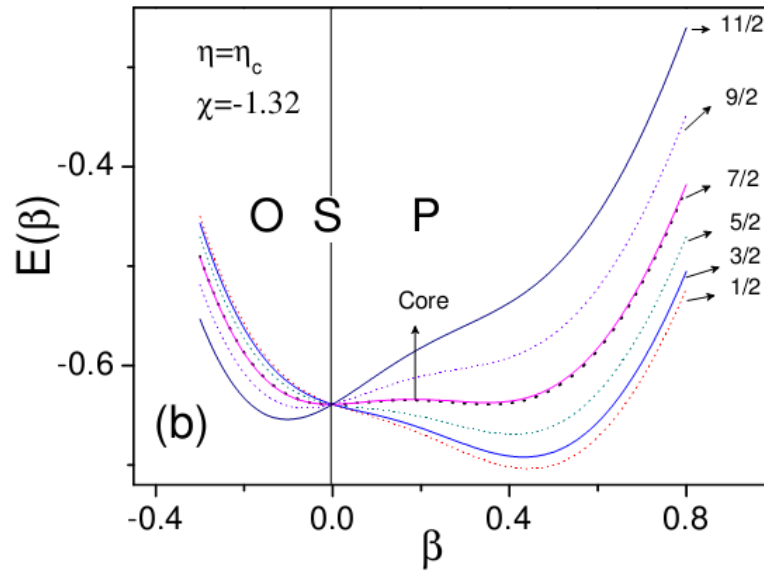
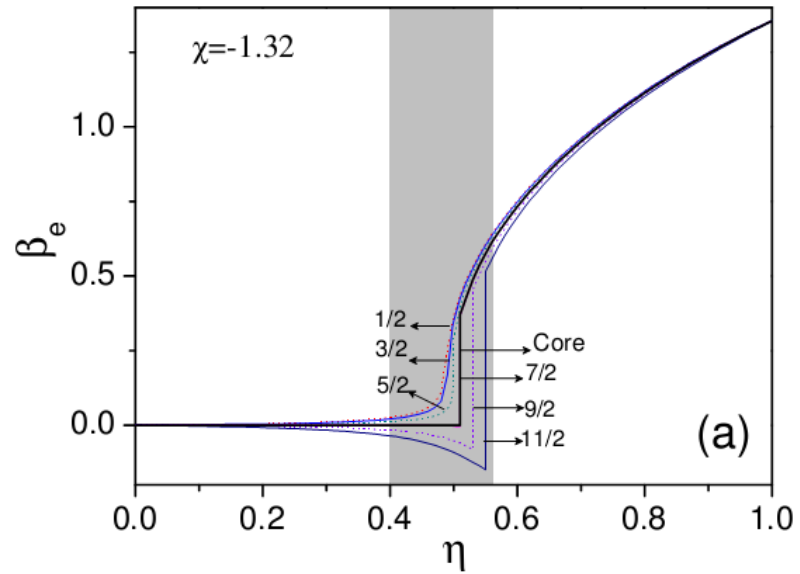


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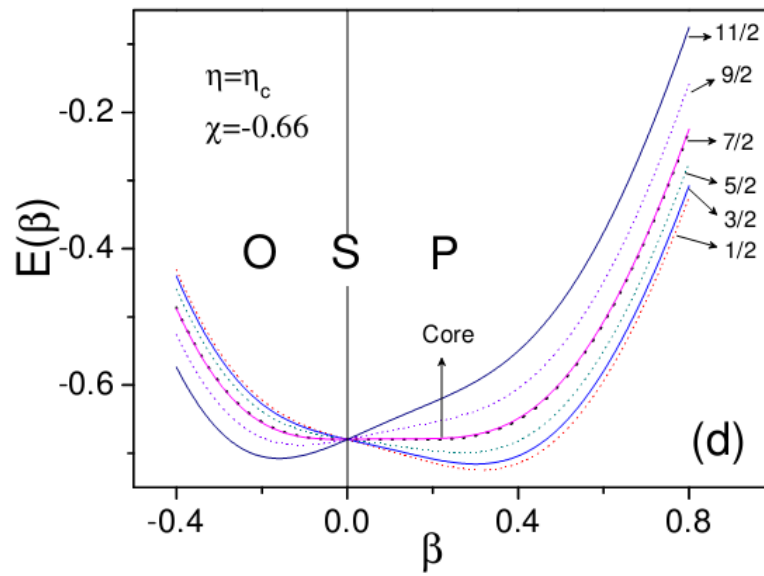
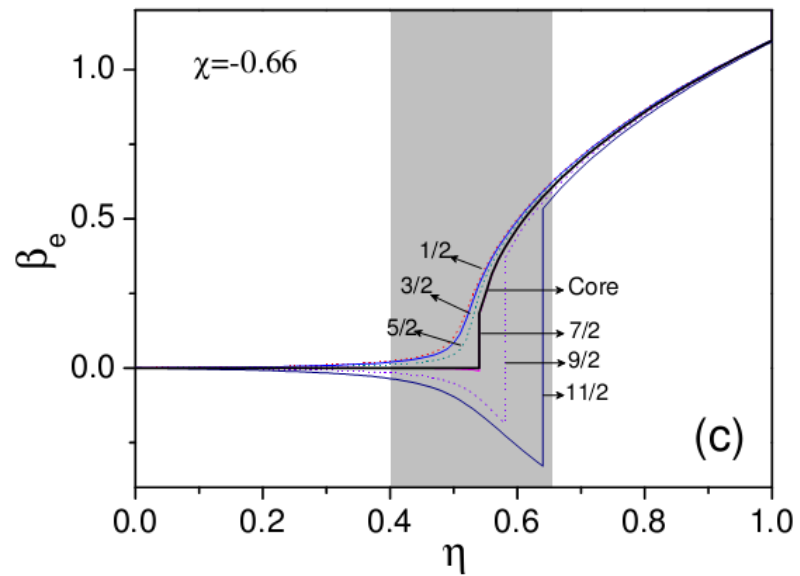
$$\begin{aligned}
 H_B &= \varepsilon_0 \left[ (1 - \xi) \hat{n}_d - \frac{\xi}{4N} \hat{Q}^\chi \cdot \hat{Q}^\chi \right], \\
 H_F &= \varepsilon_j, \\
 V_{BF} &= \Gamma \hat{Q}^\chi \cdot \hat{q}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$\beta_e$





$$\chi = -1.32$$



$$\chi = -0.66$$

Y. Zhang, W. Dong, H. Jiang, EPJ WoC 178, 05004 (2018)

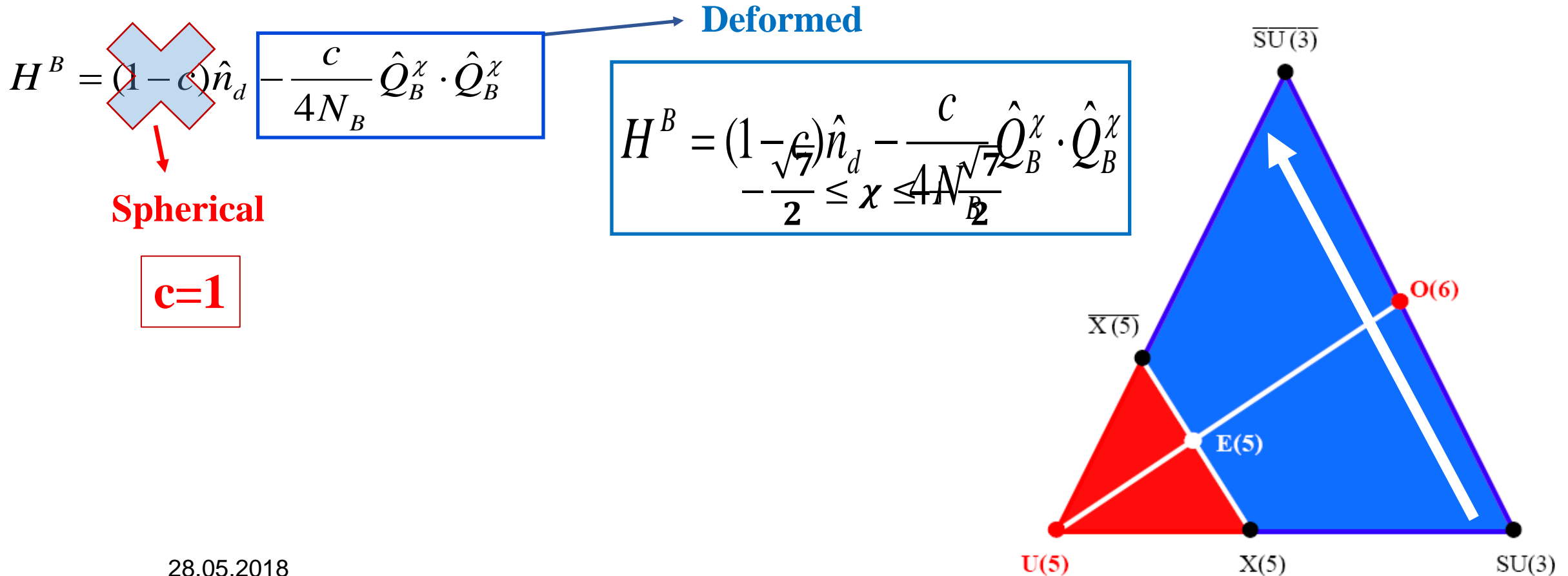
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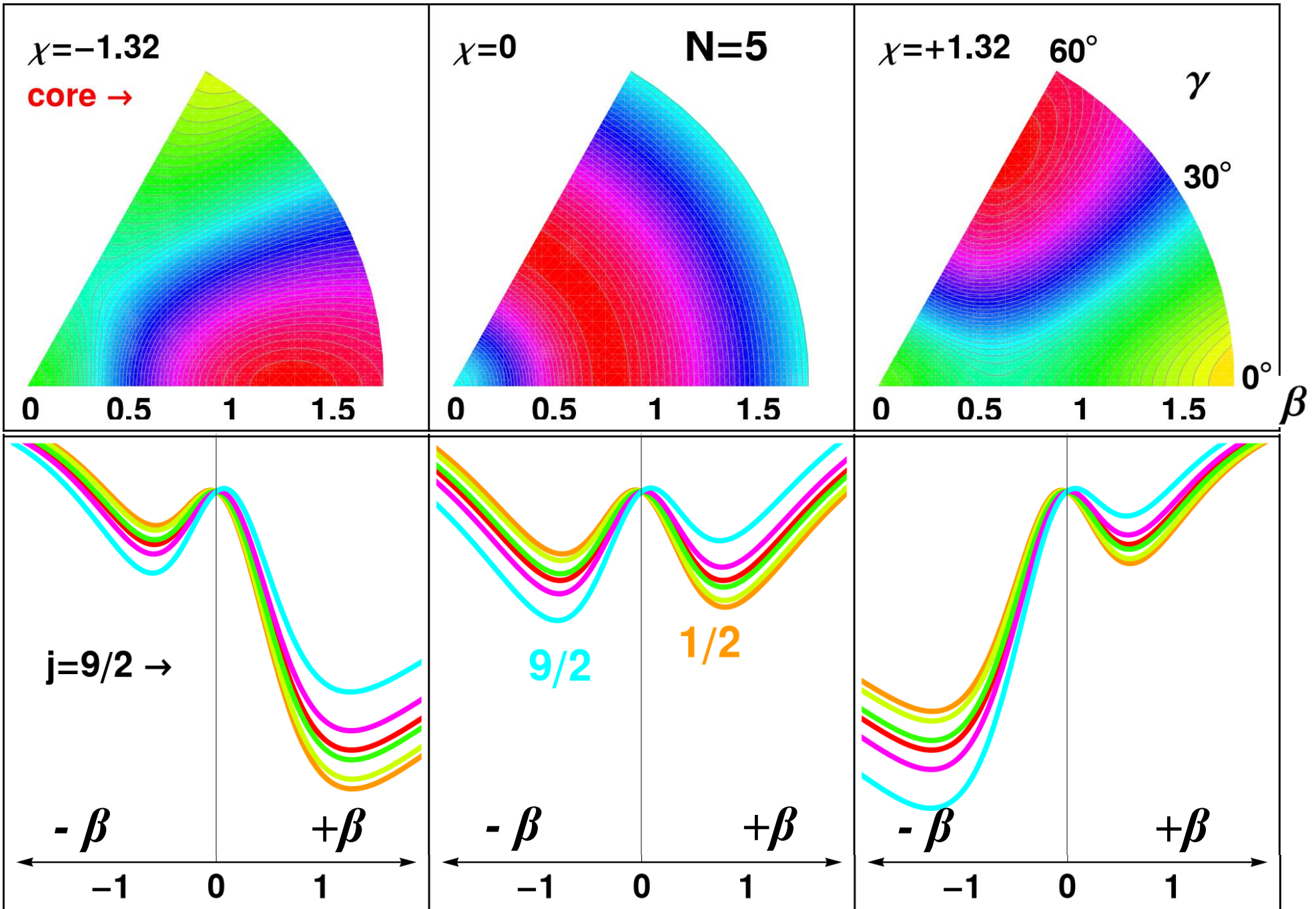


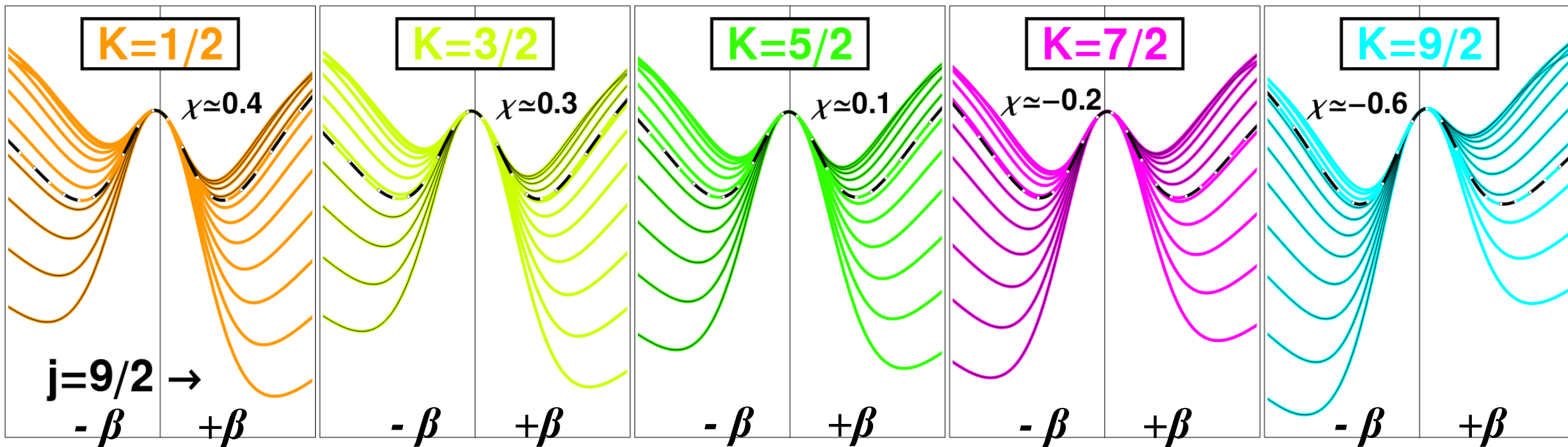
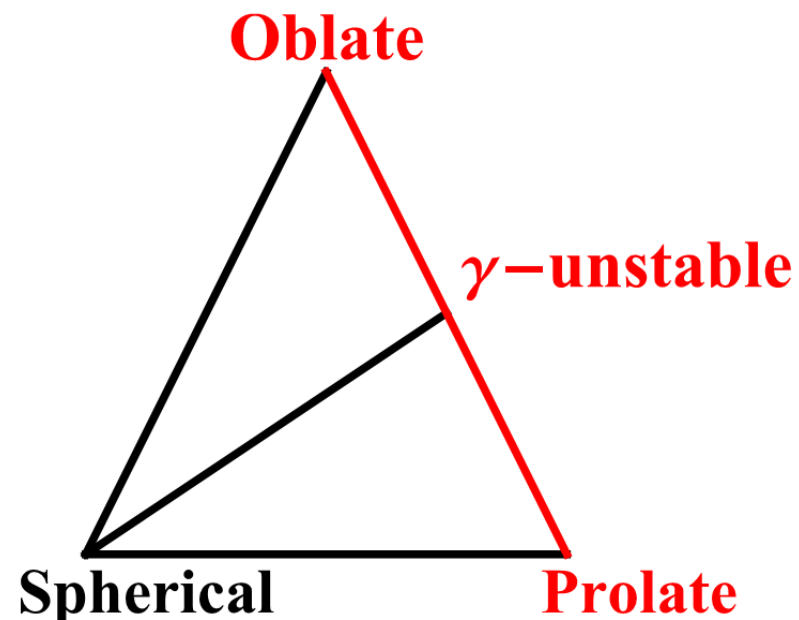
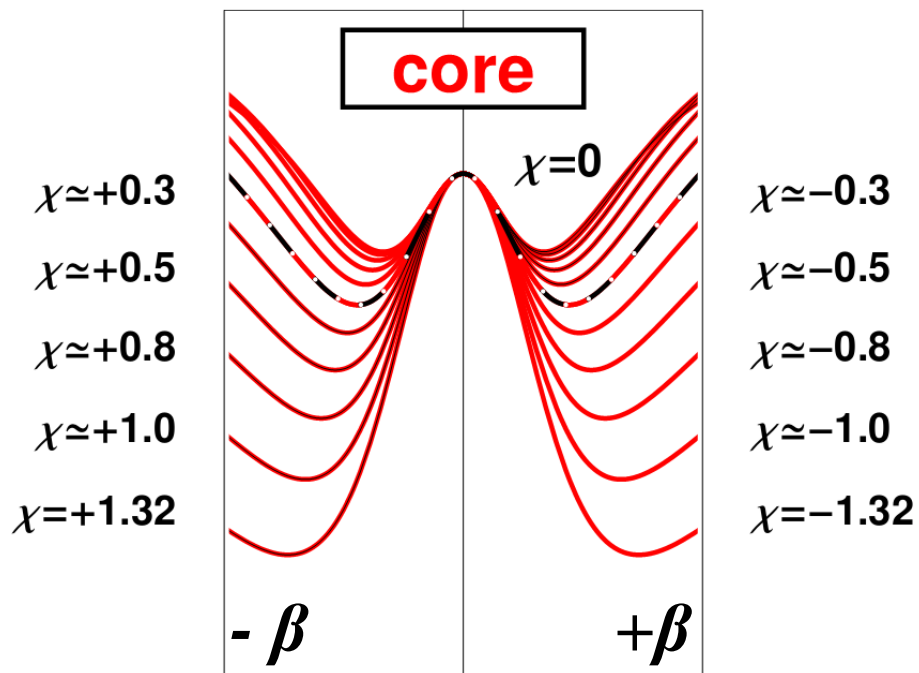
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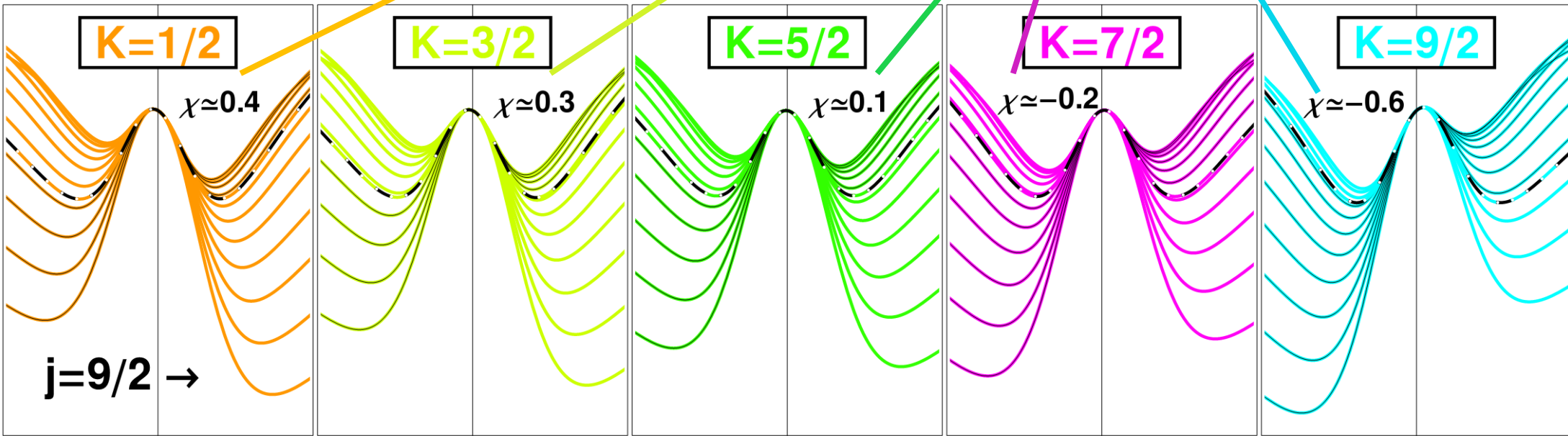
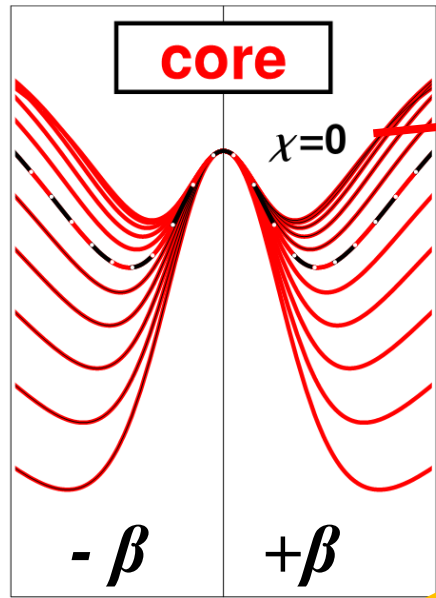
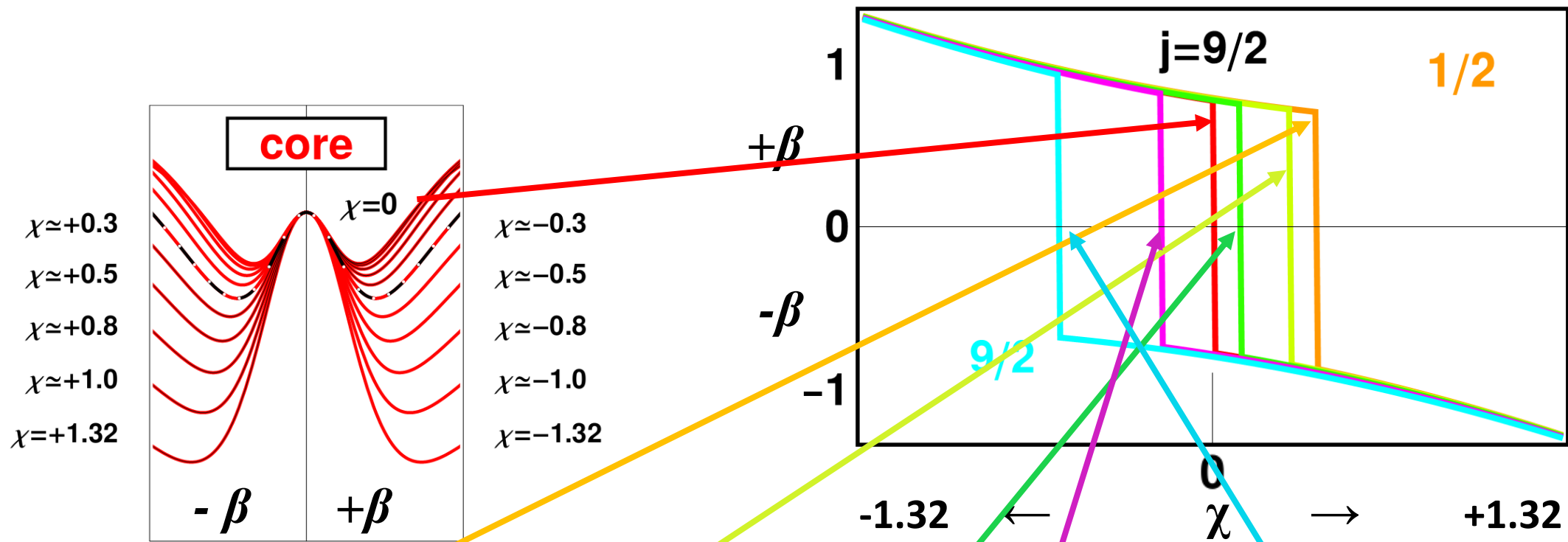
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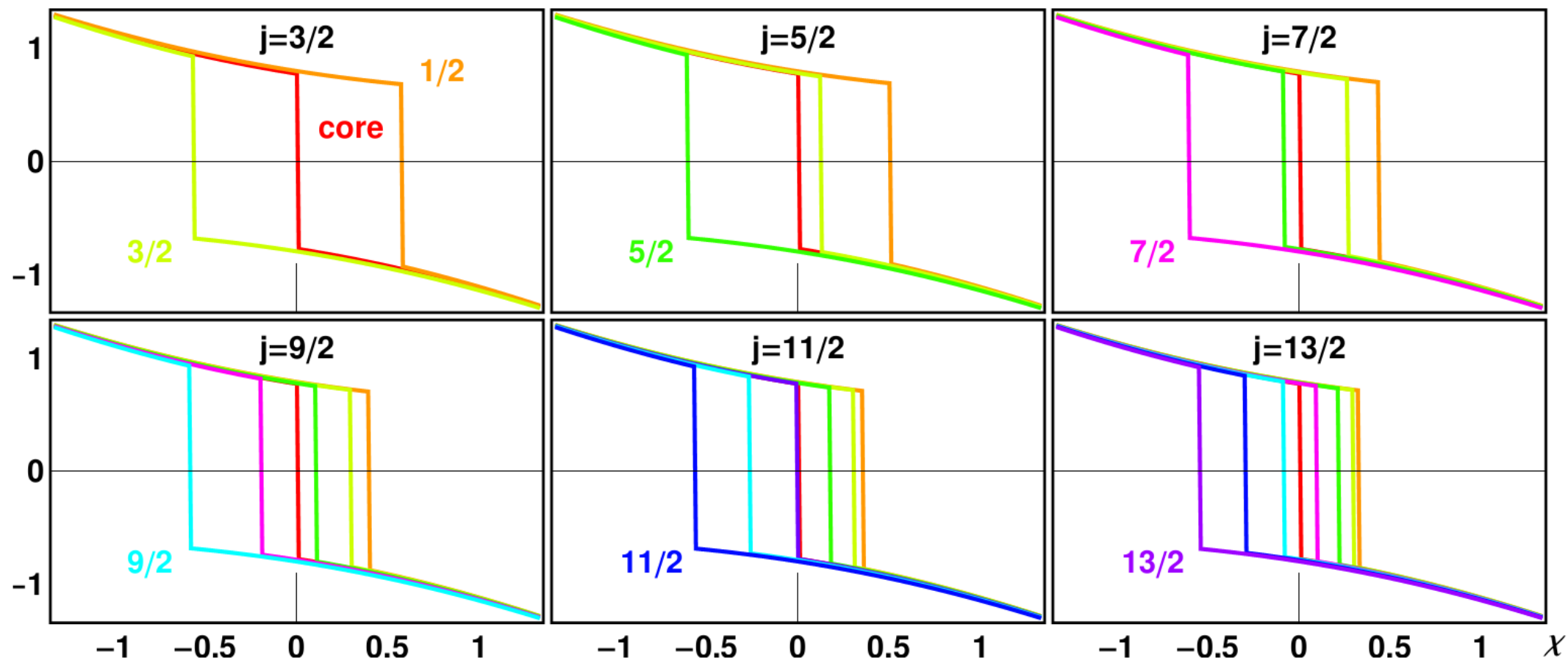
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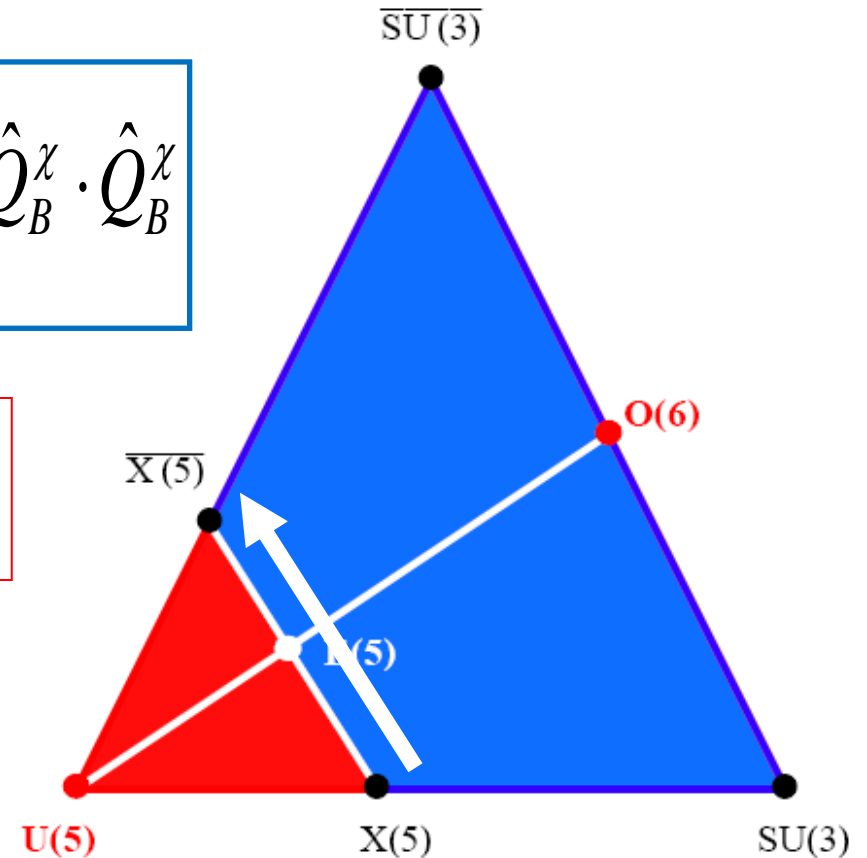
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**Spherical**

$$H^B = (1 - \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{7}})\hat{n}_d - \frac{c}{4N\sqrt{7}} \hat{Q}_B^\chi \cdot \hat{Q}_B^\chi$$

$-\frac{1}{2} \leq \chi \leq \frac{1}{2}$

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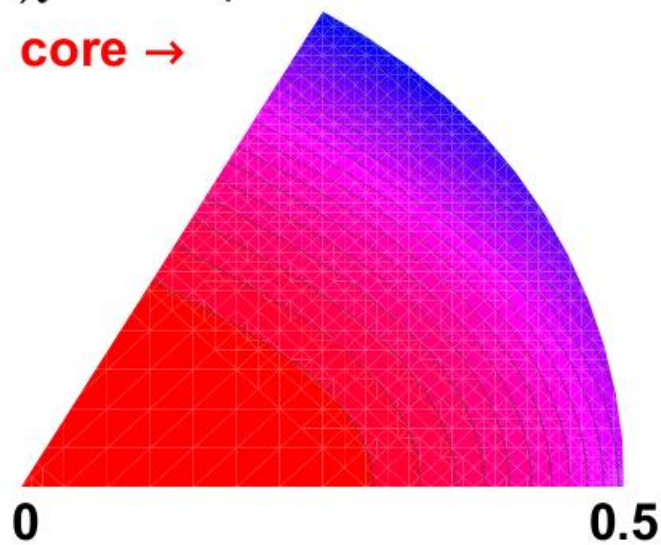
$$c_{cr}(N=5, \chi) = \frac{140}{224 + 15\chi^2}$$





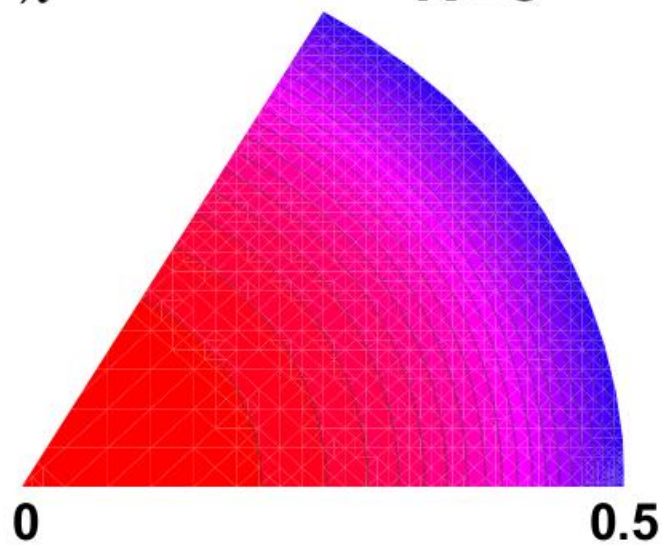
$\chi = -1.32/5$

core  $\rightarrow$



$\chi = 0$

**N=5**

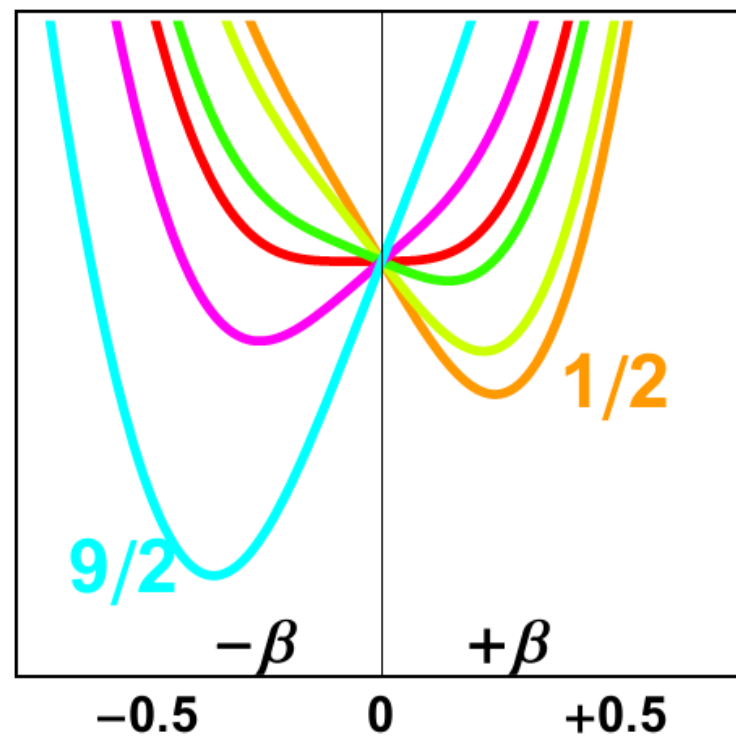
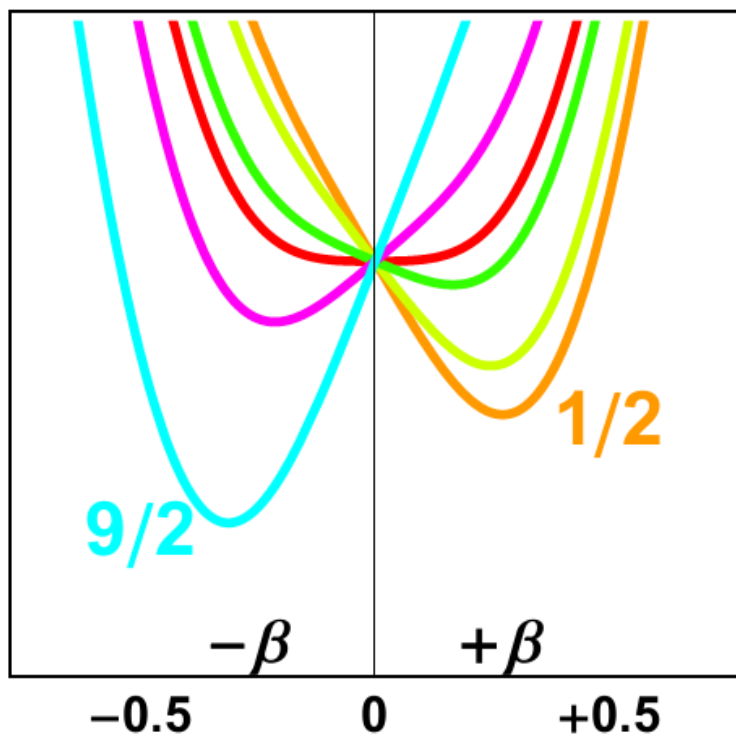
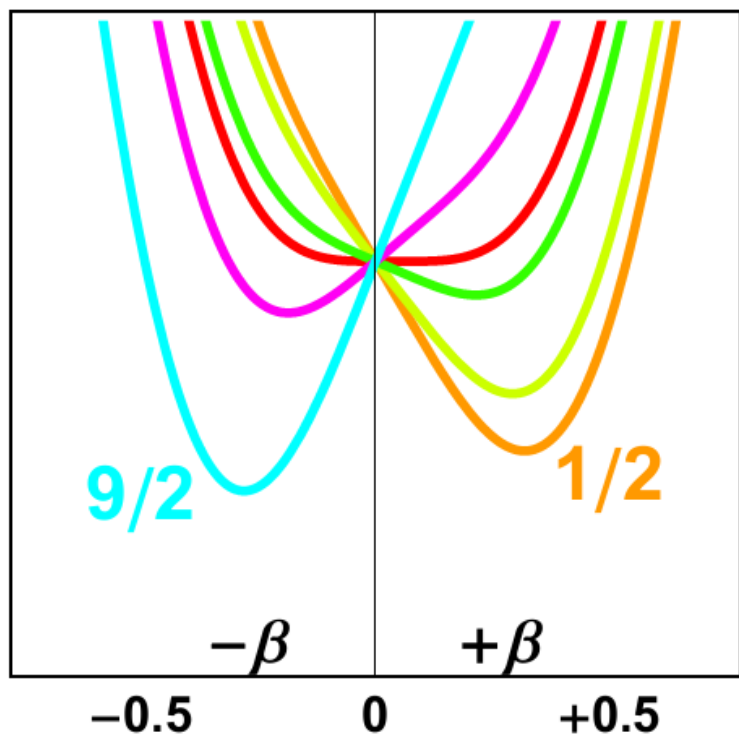
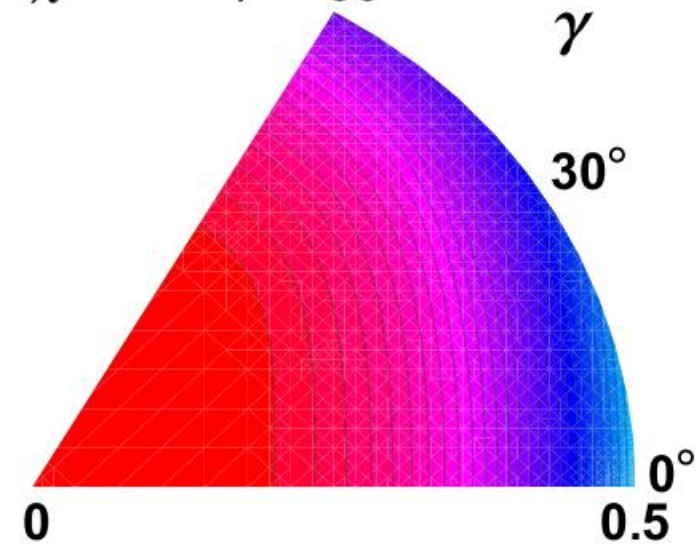


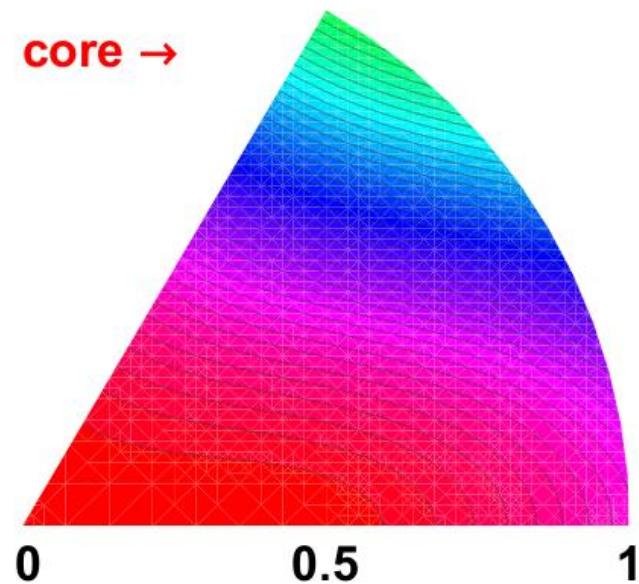
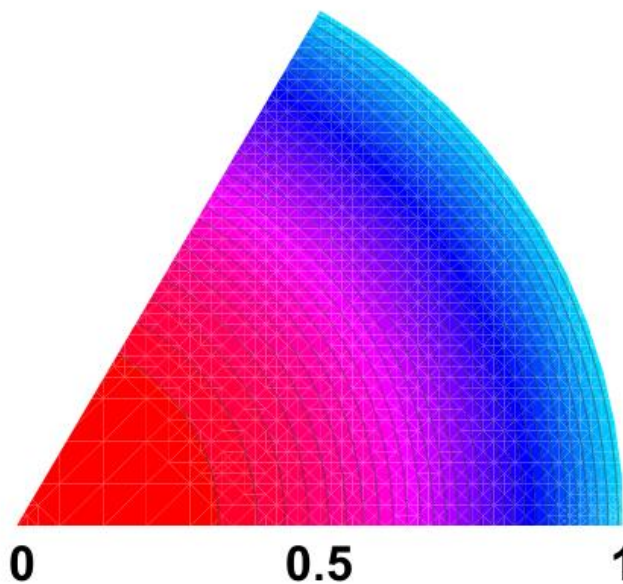
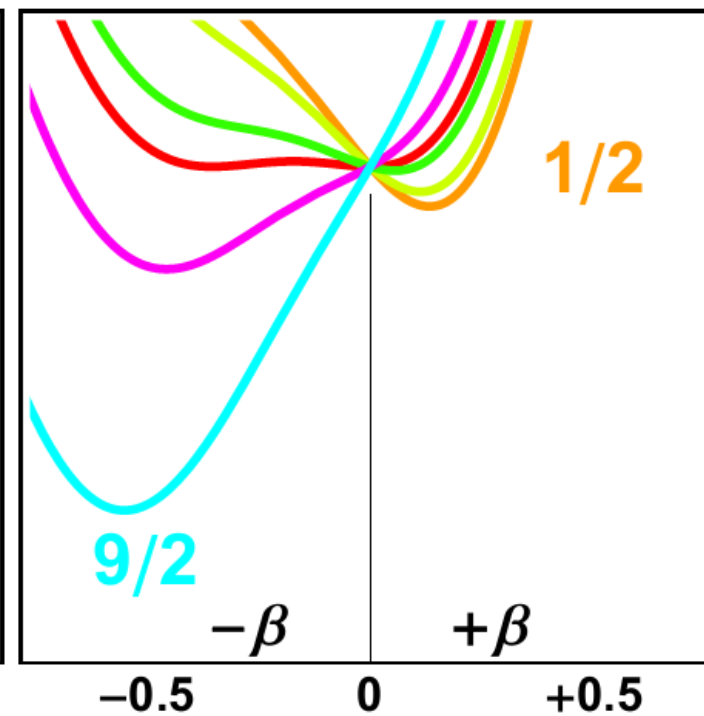
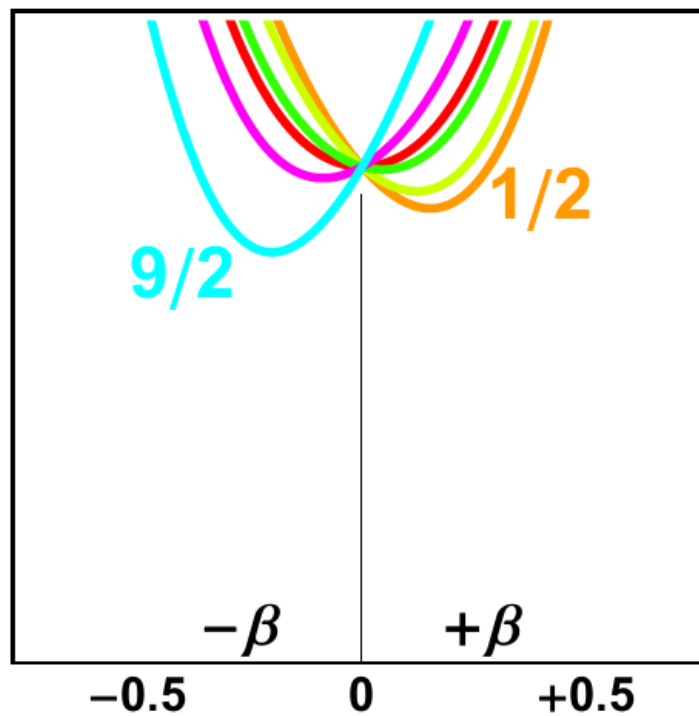
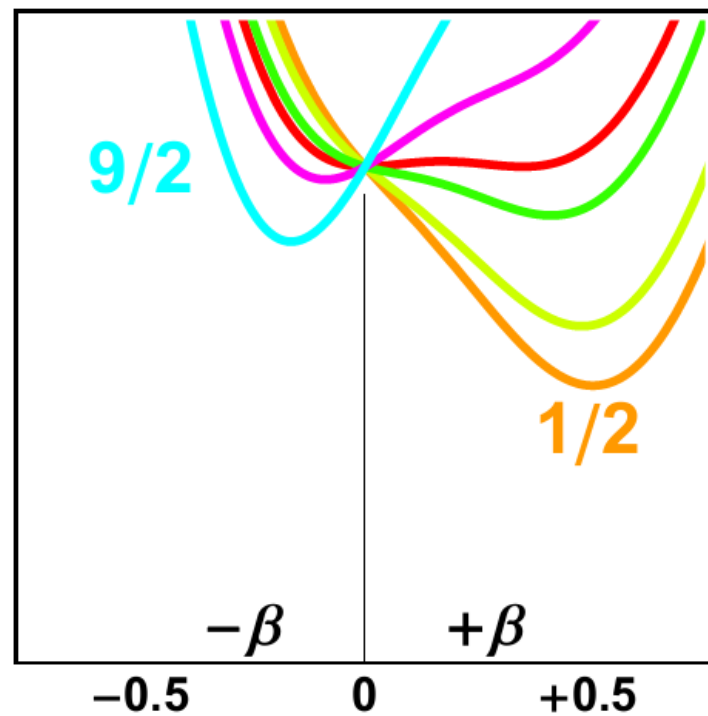
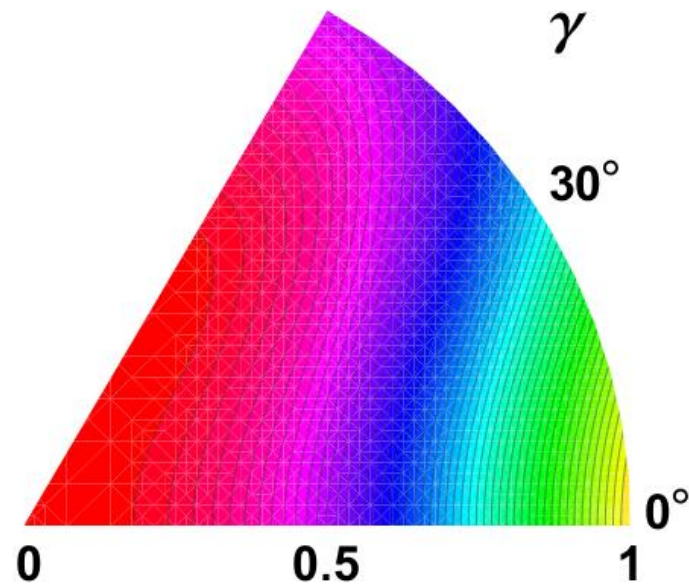
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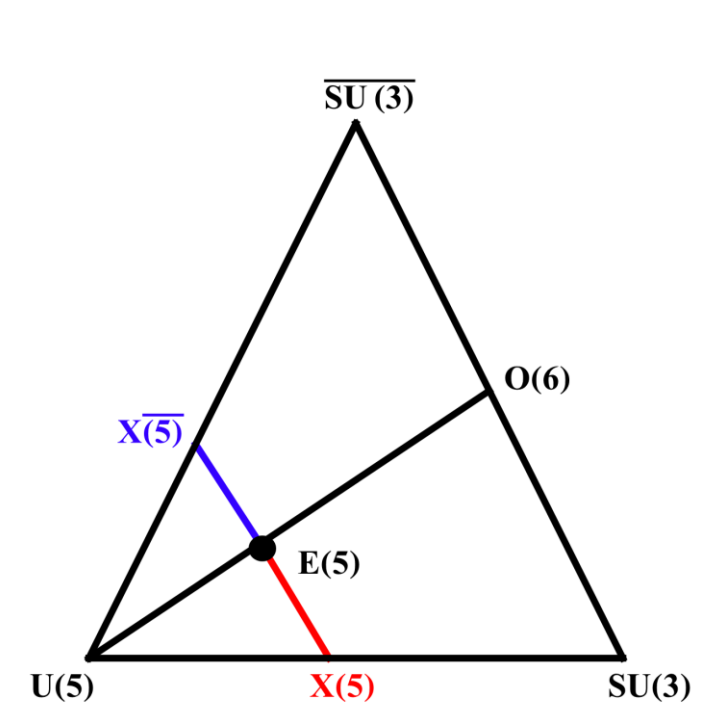
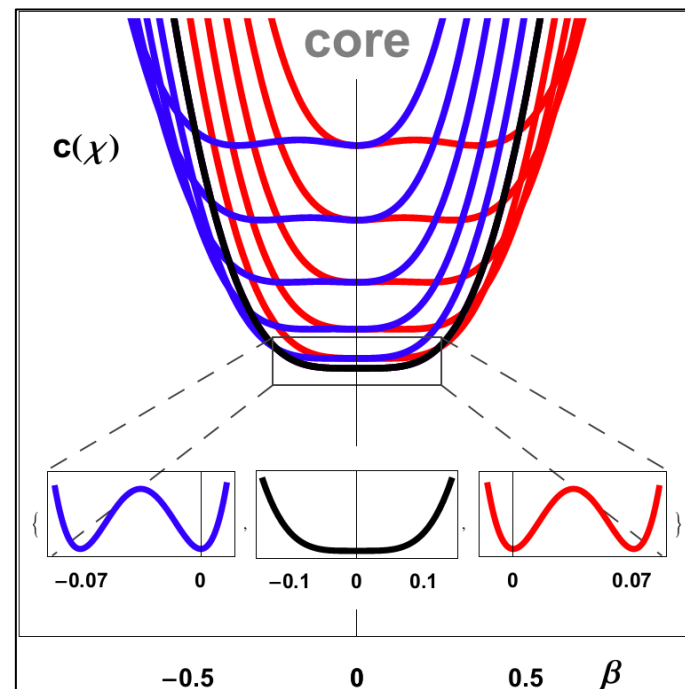
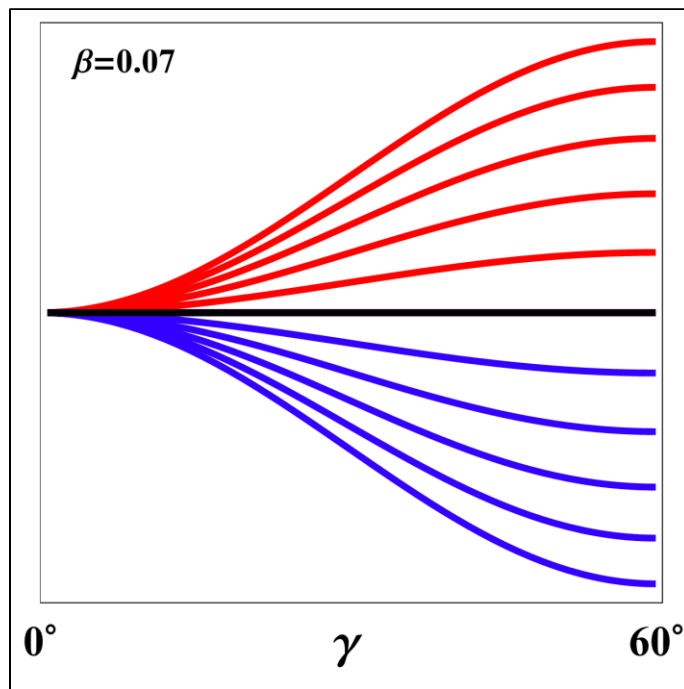
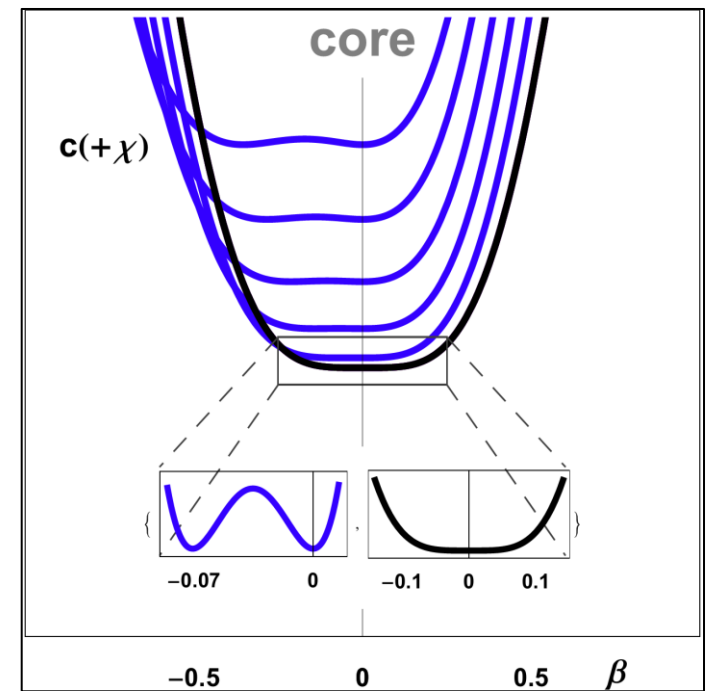
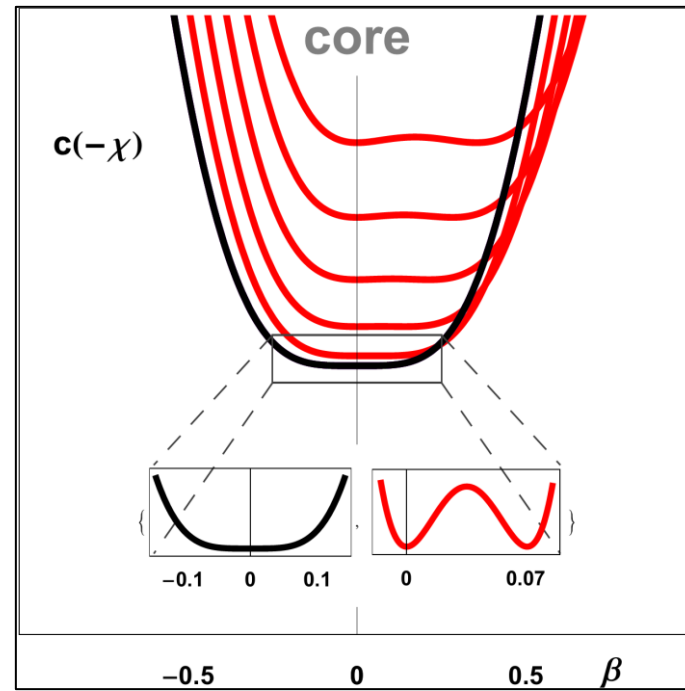
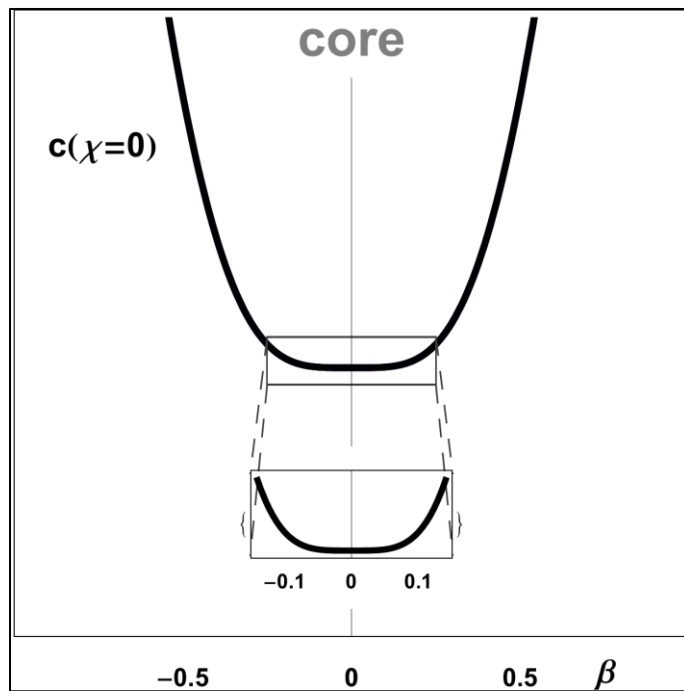
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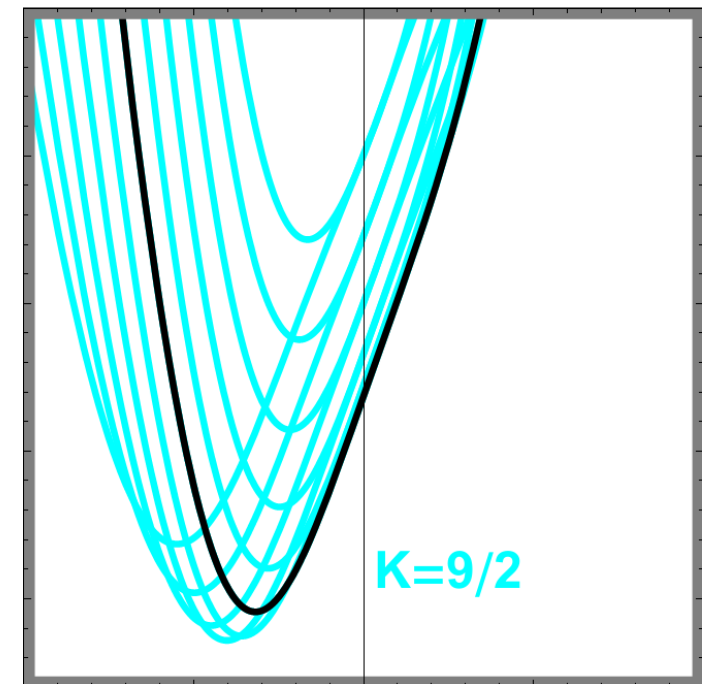
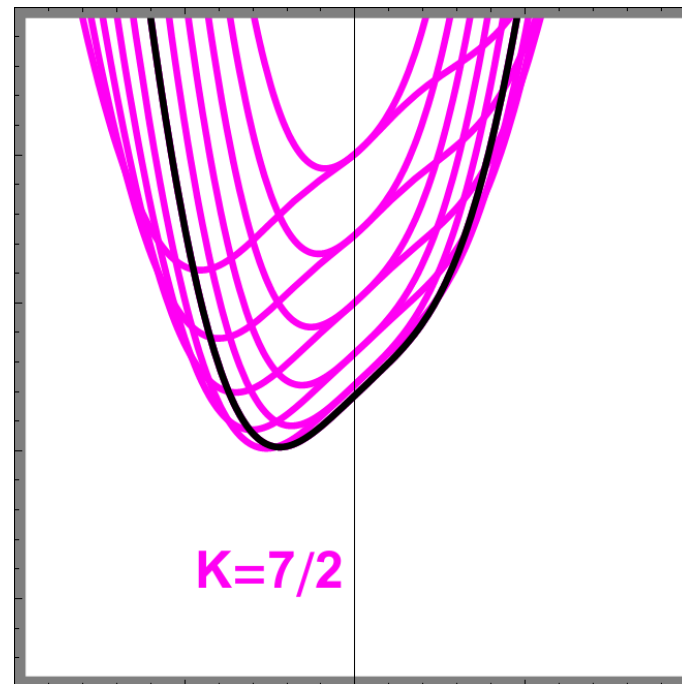
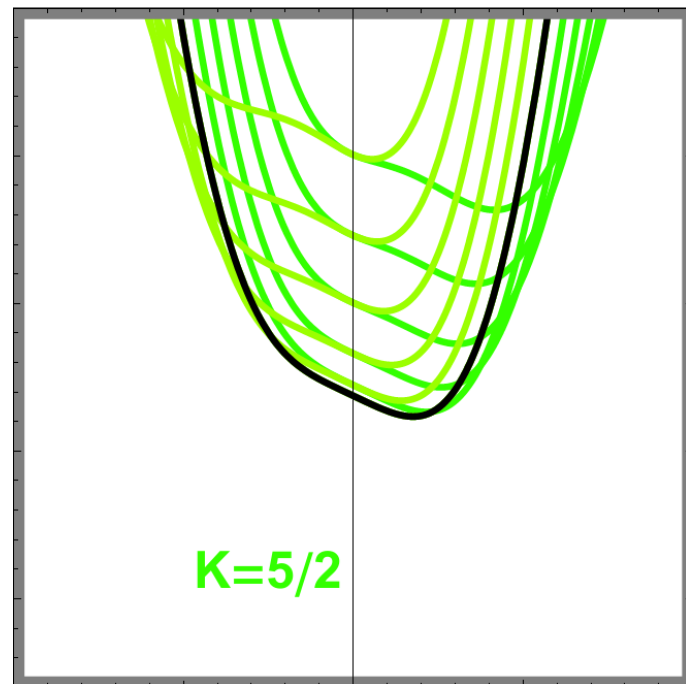
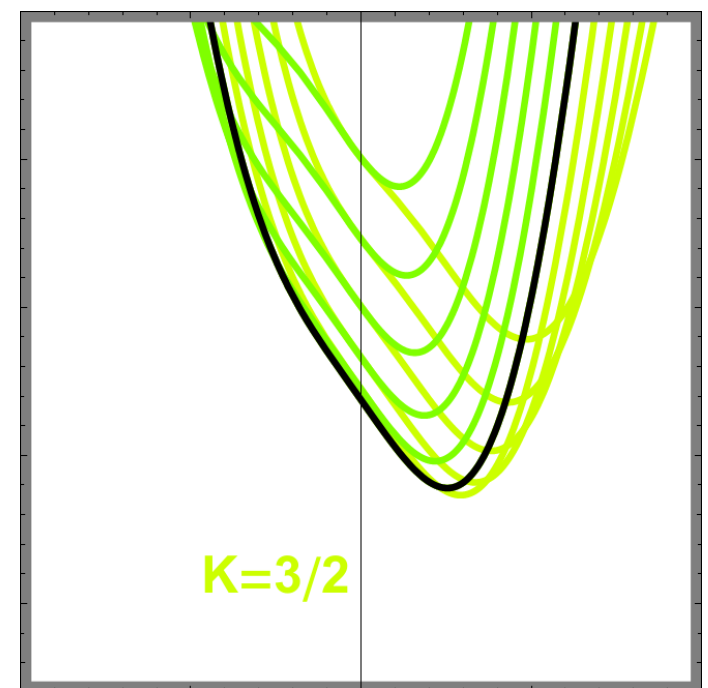
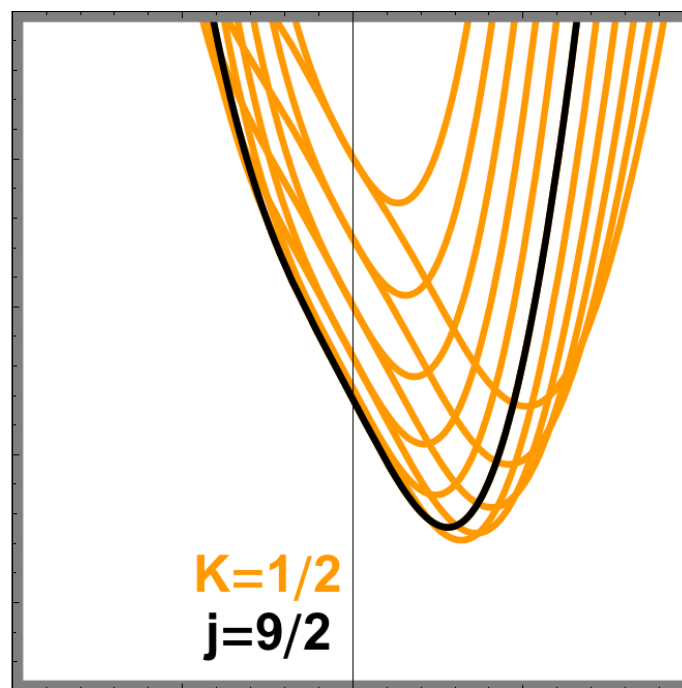
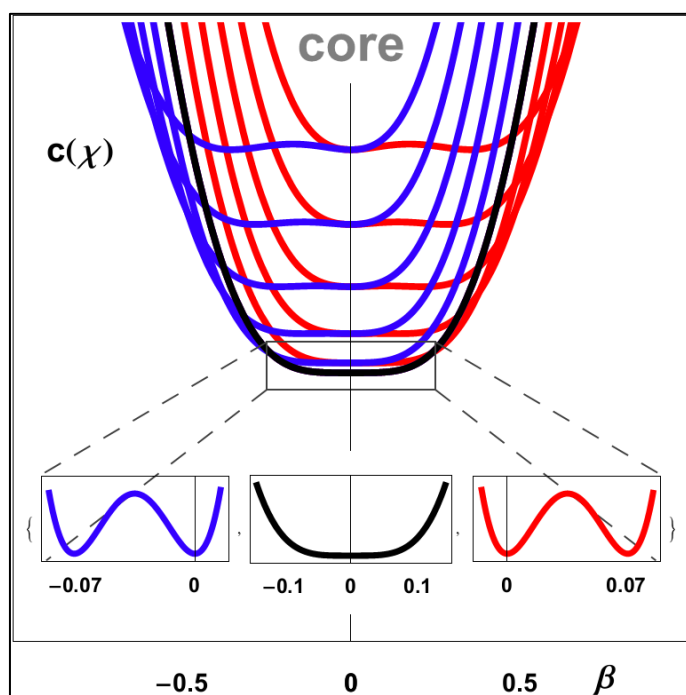
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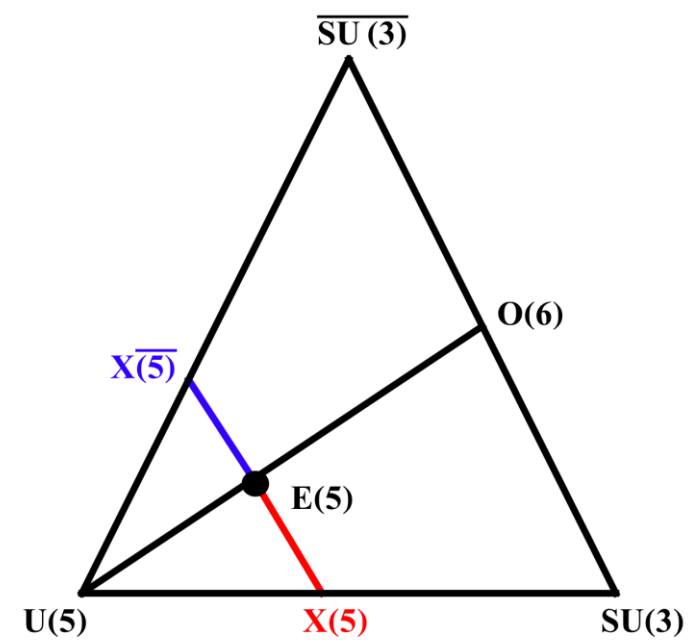
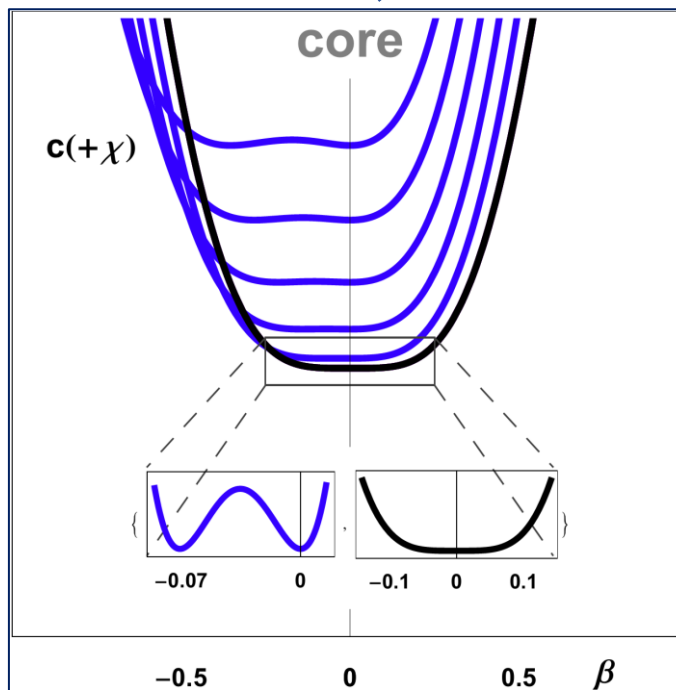
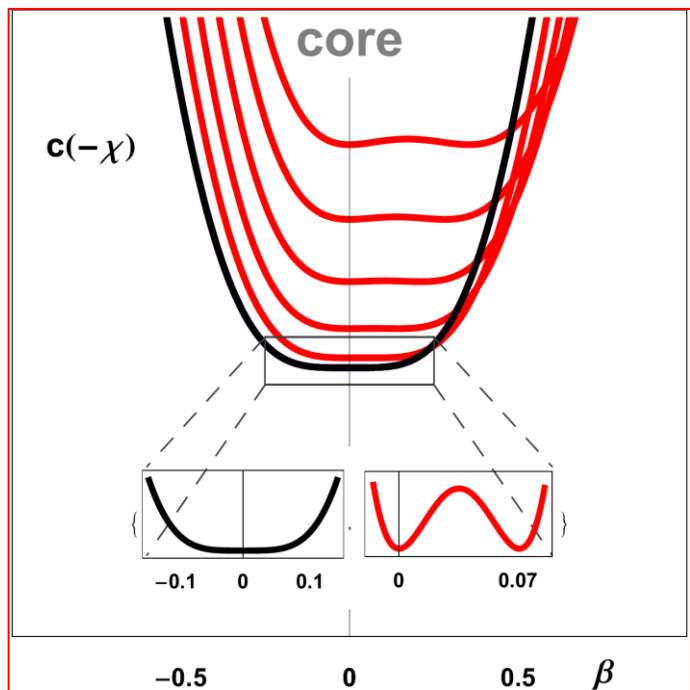
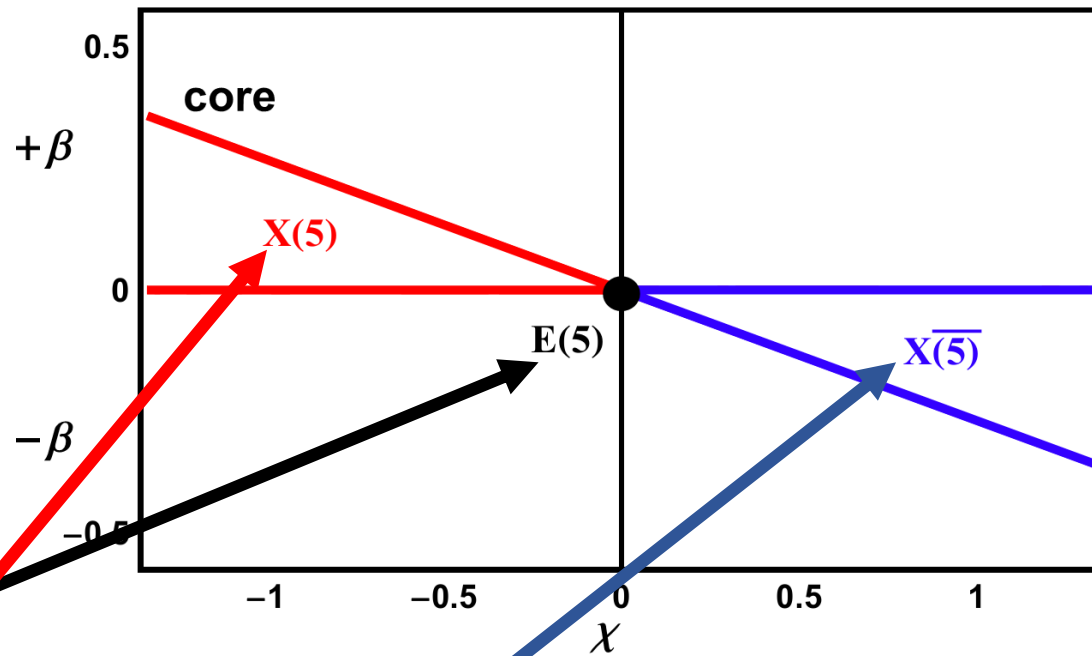
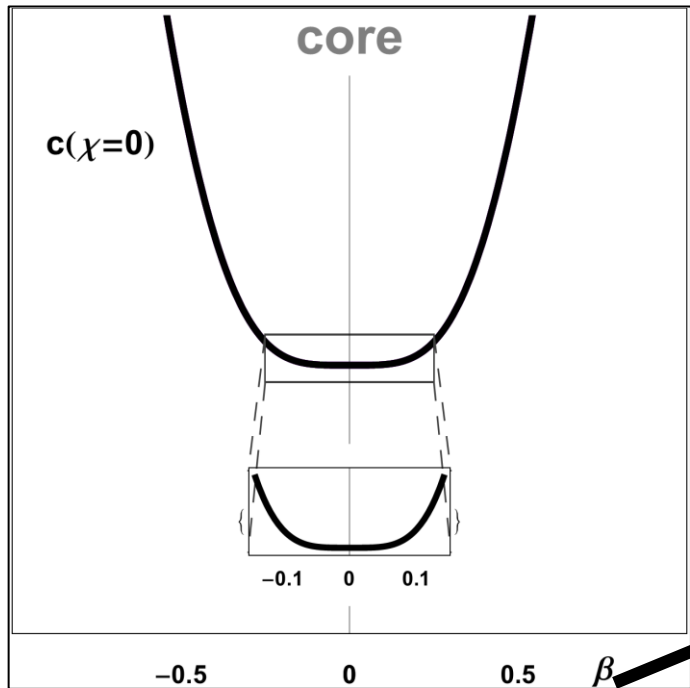


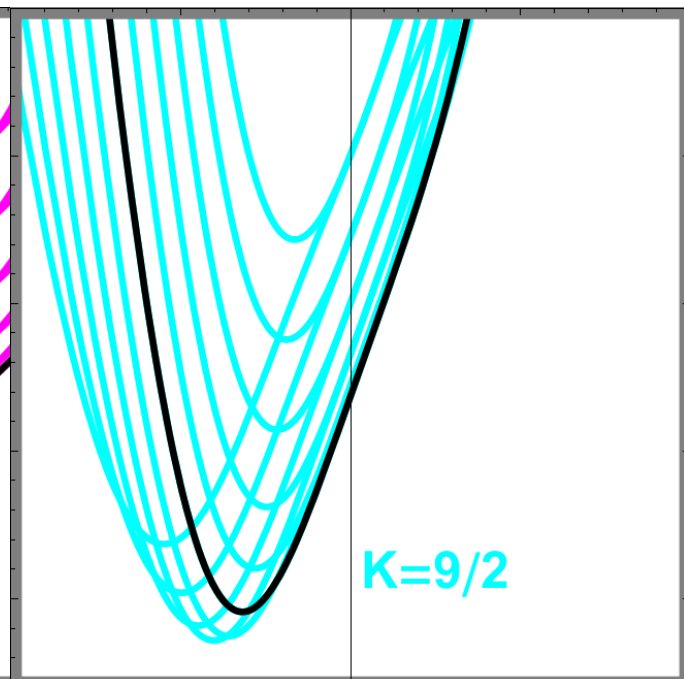
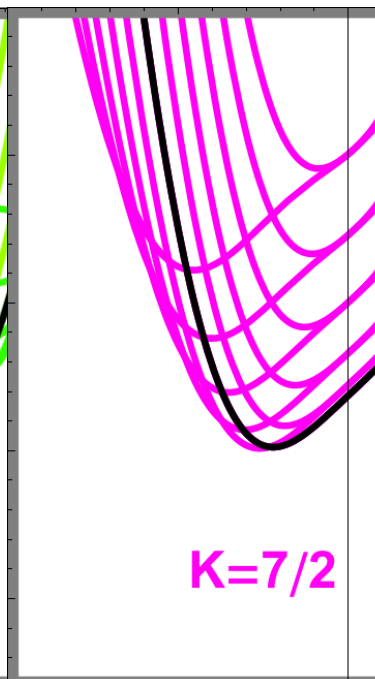
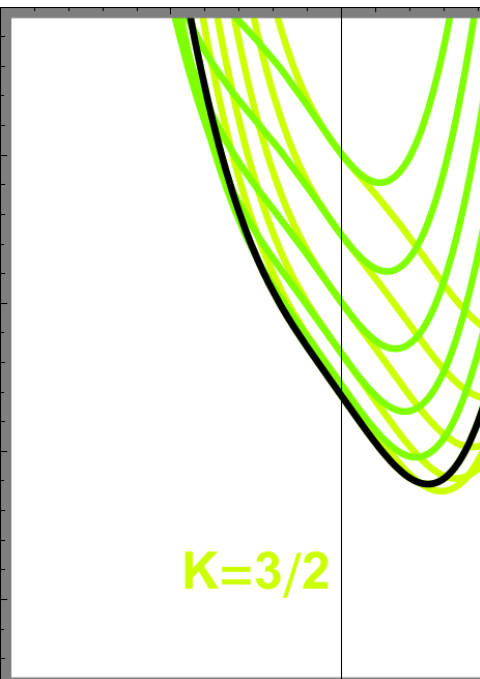
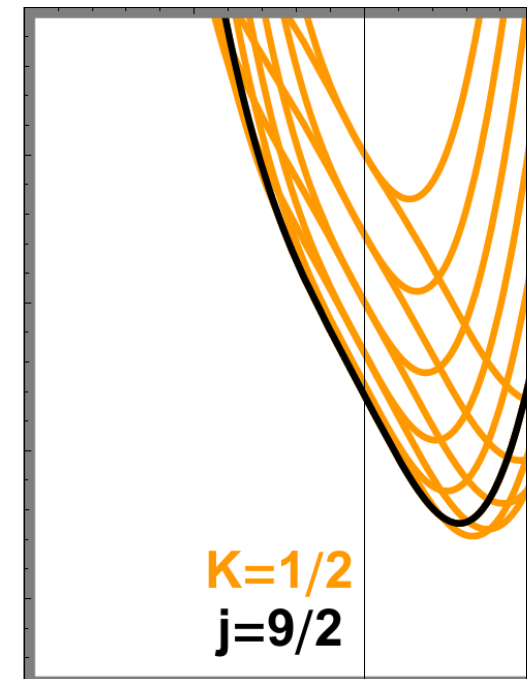
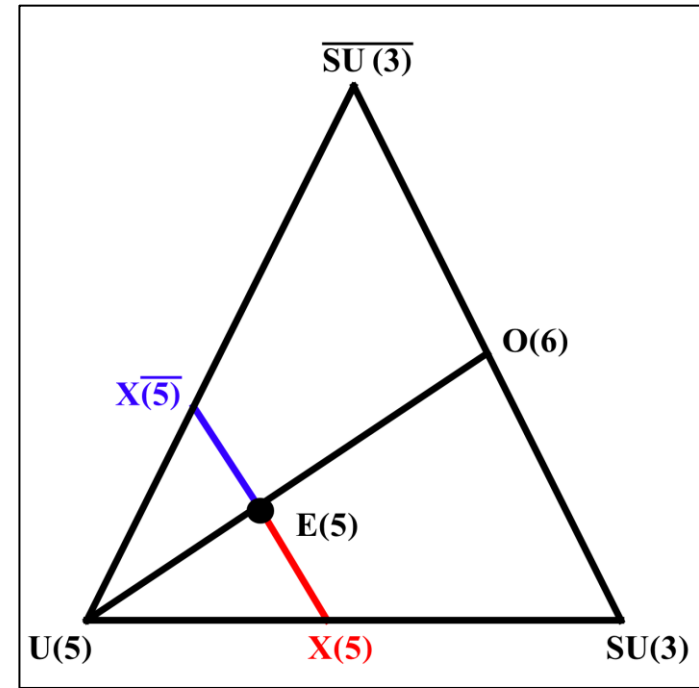
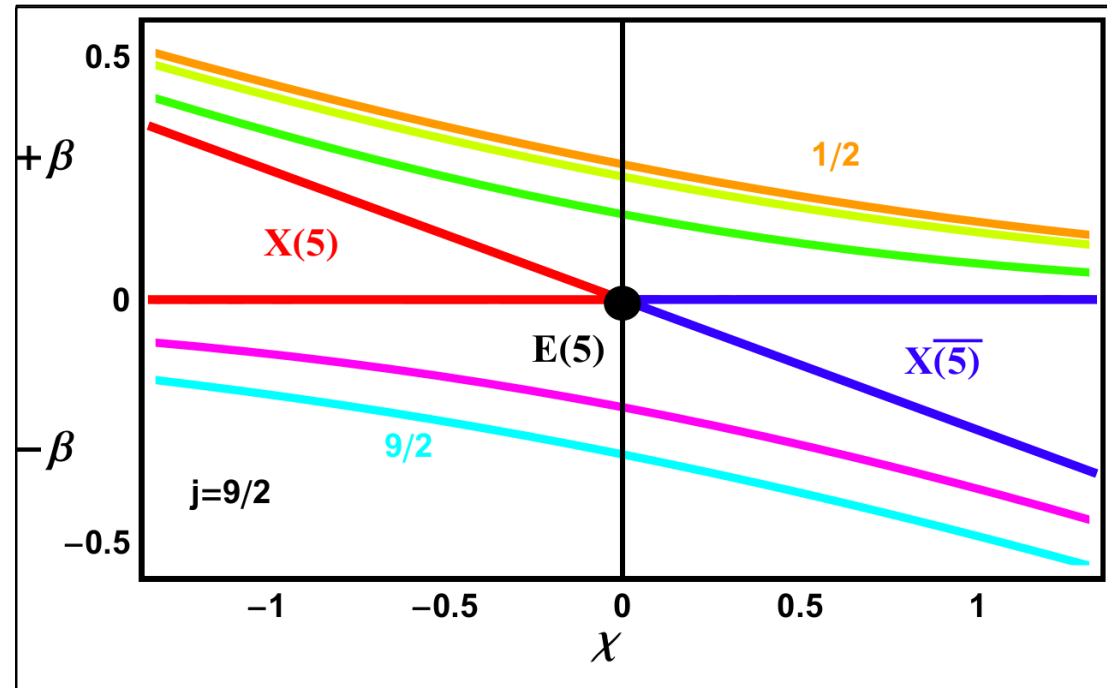
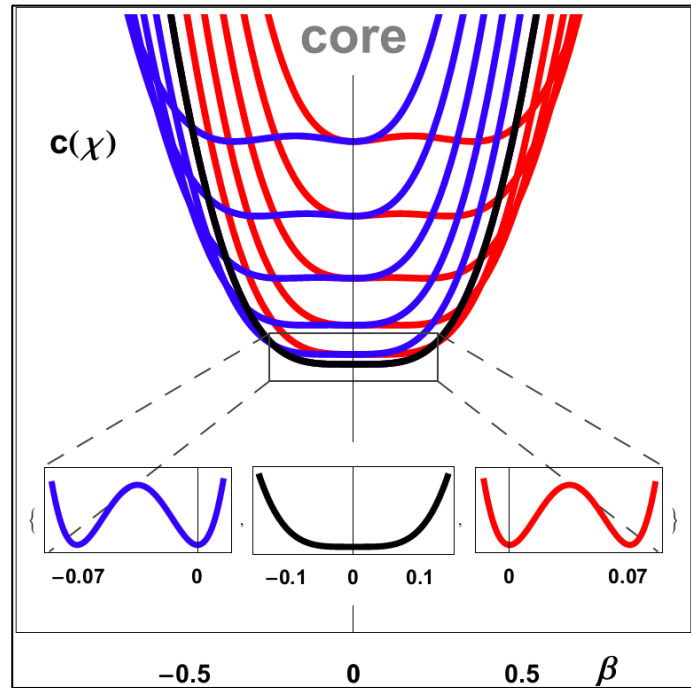
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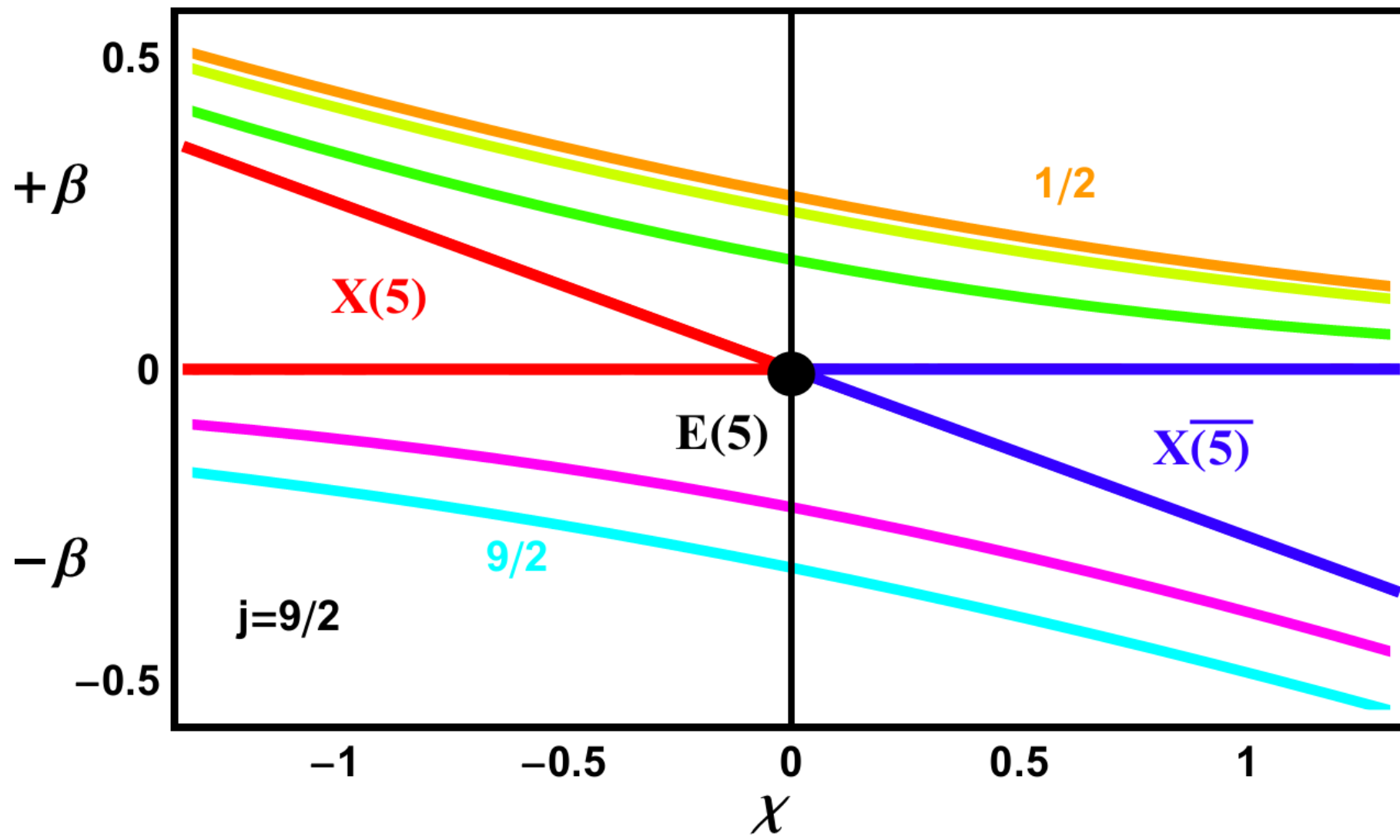










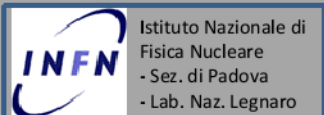


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