

# How the Quark Number fluctuates in QCD at small chemical potential

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**Shows:** How Complex Langevin solves sign problems

Pions have zero baryon charge

- *so how can CPT teach us about  $n$  ?*

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But  $\langle \delta(n - n') \rangle$  is non trivial in CPT

**Warning:**  $\langle \delta(n - n') \rangle$  is the distribution of  $n$  over  $A_\nu$

$$n \equiv \frac{d}{d\mu} \log \det(D + \mu\gamma_0 + m)$$

The average quark number,  $\langle n_q \rangle$ , is

$$\langle n_q \rangle \equiv \langle n \rangle$$



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1-loop free energy

$$G_0(\mu_1, \mu_2) = V \frac{m_\pi^2 T^2}{\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{K_2\left(\frac{m_\pi n}{T}\right)}{n^2} \cosh\left(\frac{\mu_1 - \mu_2}{T} n\right)$$

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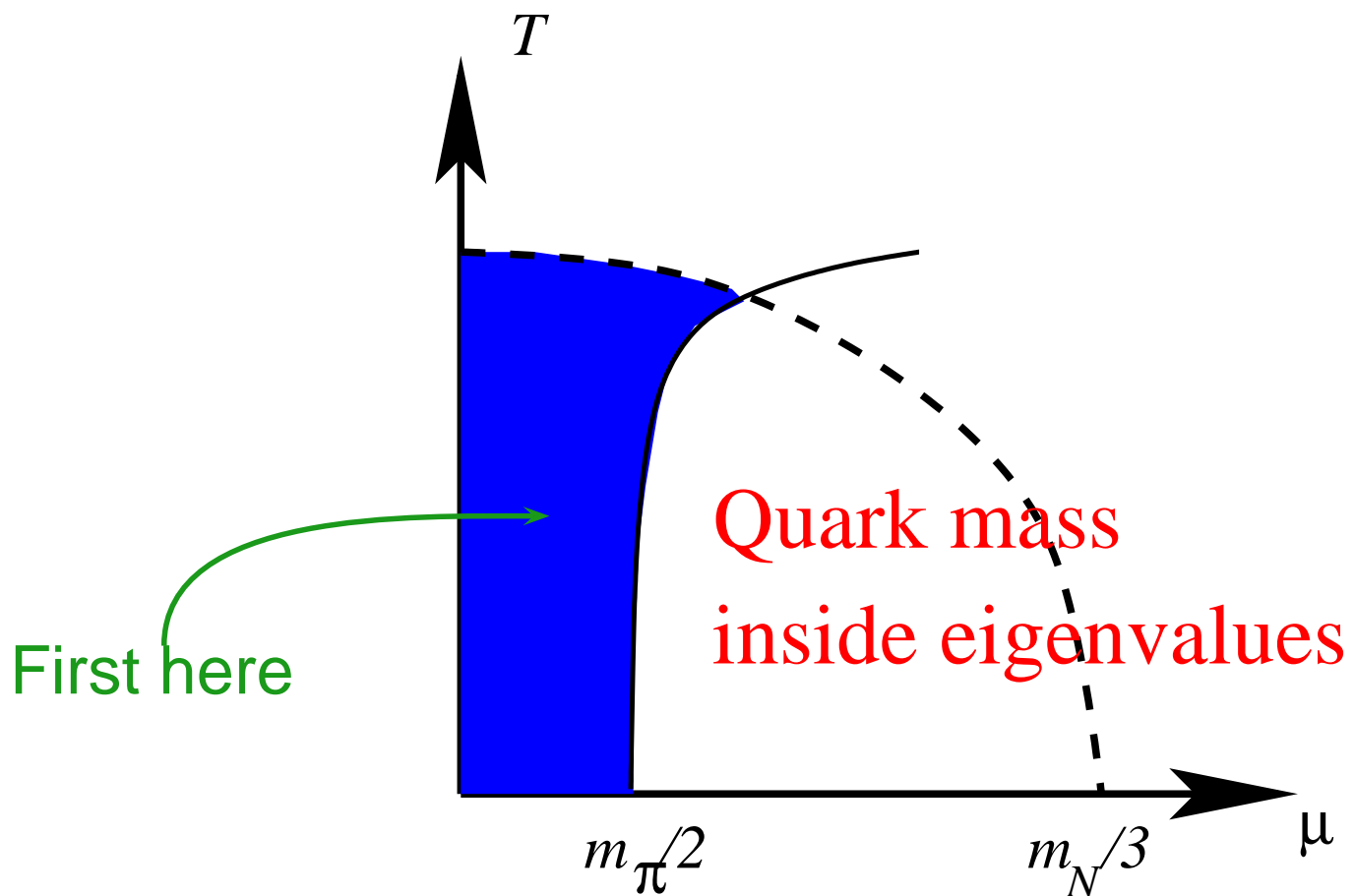
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$$P_n(x, y) \equiv \langle \delta(x - \text{Re}[n]) \delta(y - \text{Im}[n]) \rangle$$

Compute all moments  $\langle \text{Re}[n]^k \text{Im}[n]^j \rangle$  in CPT





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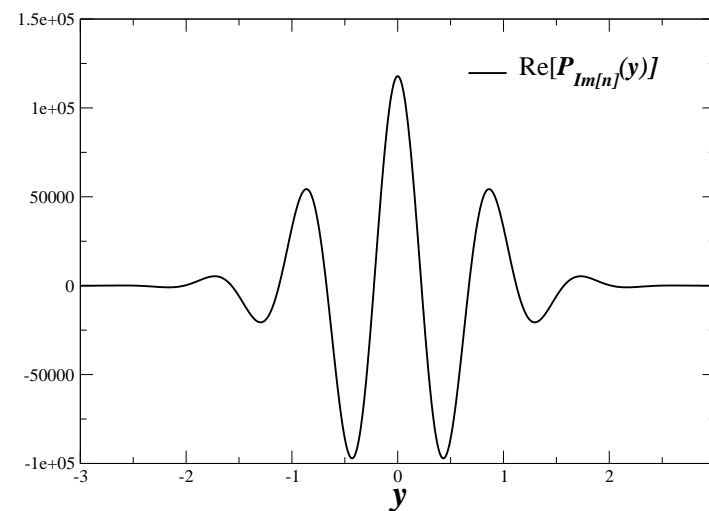
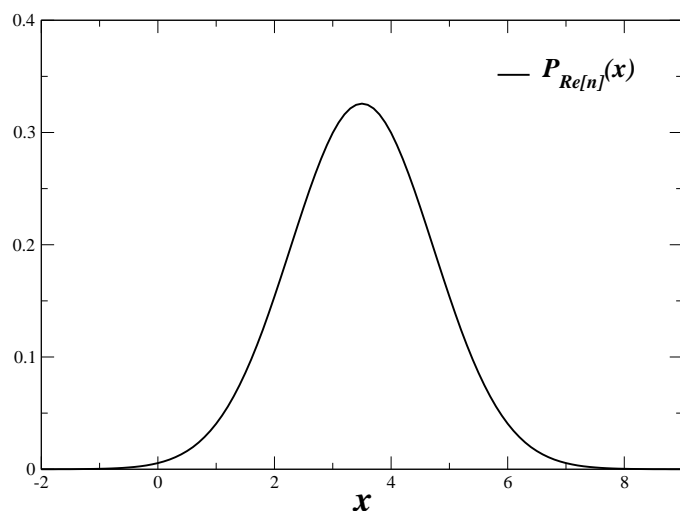
$$P_{\text{Re}[n]}(x) \simeq e^{-(x-\nu_I)^2/(\chi_{ud}^B + \chi_{ud}^I)} \quad P_{\text{Im}[n]}(y) \simeq e^{(iy+\nu_I)^2/(\chi_{ud}^I - \chi_{ud}^B)}$$

Note that  $P_{\text{Im}[n]}(y)$  takes complex values (the sign problem)

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$P_{\text{Im}[n]}(y)$ : Amplitude  $\sim e^V$     Width  $\sim \sqrt{V}$     Period  $\sim 1$

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Detailed **cancellation** between the contribution from the real part and the imaginary part

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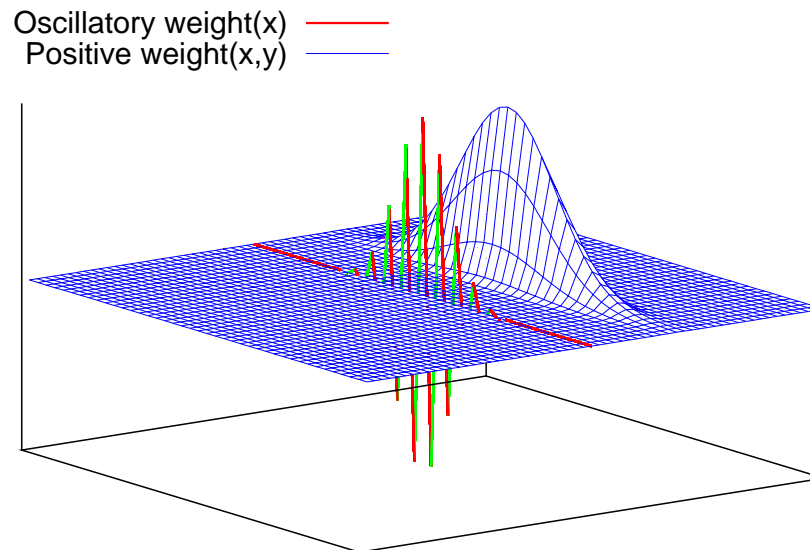


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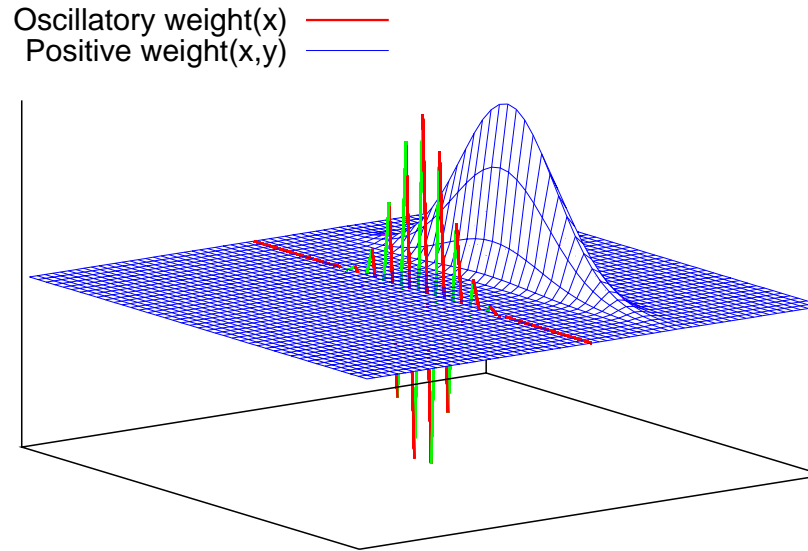


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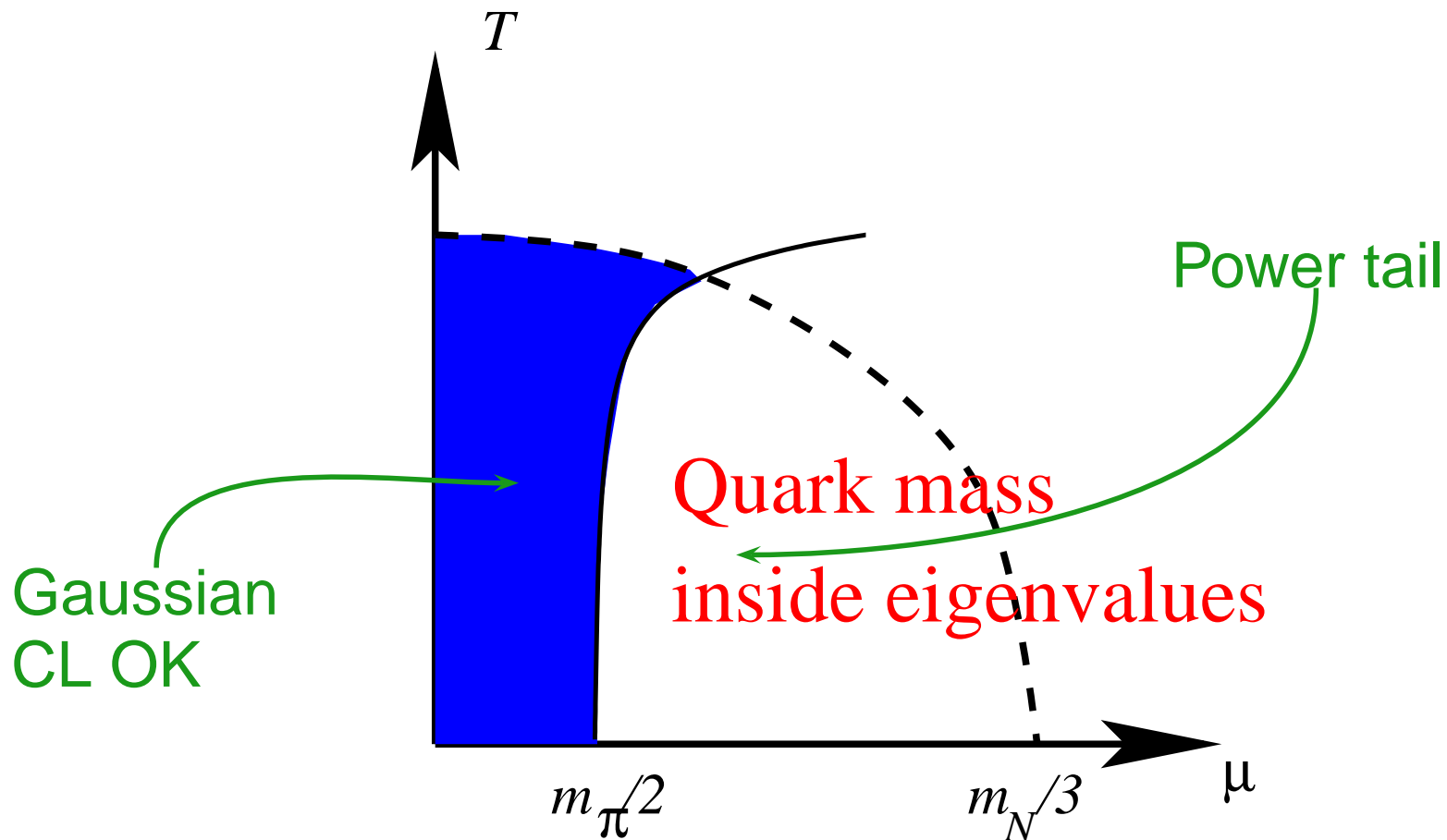
**CPT tells us:**

- 1) Amplitude: real axis  $\mathcal{O}(\exp(V))$ ; complex plane  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- 2) shift by  $\mathcal{O}(V)$  in imaginary direction

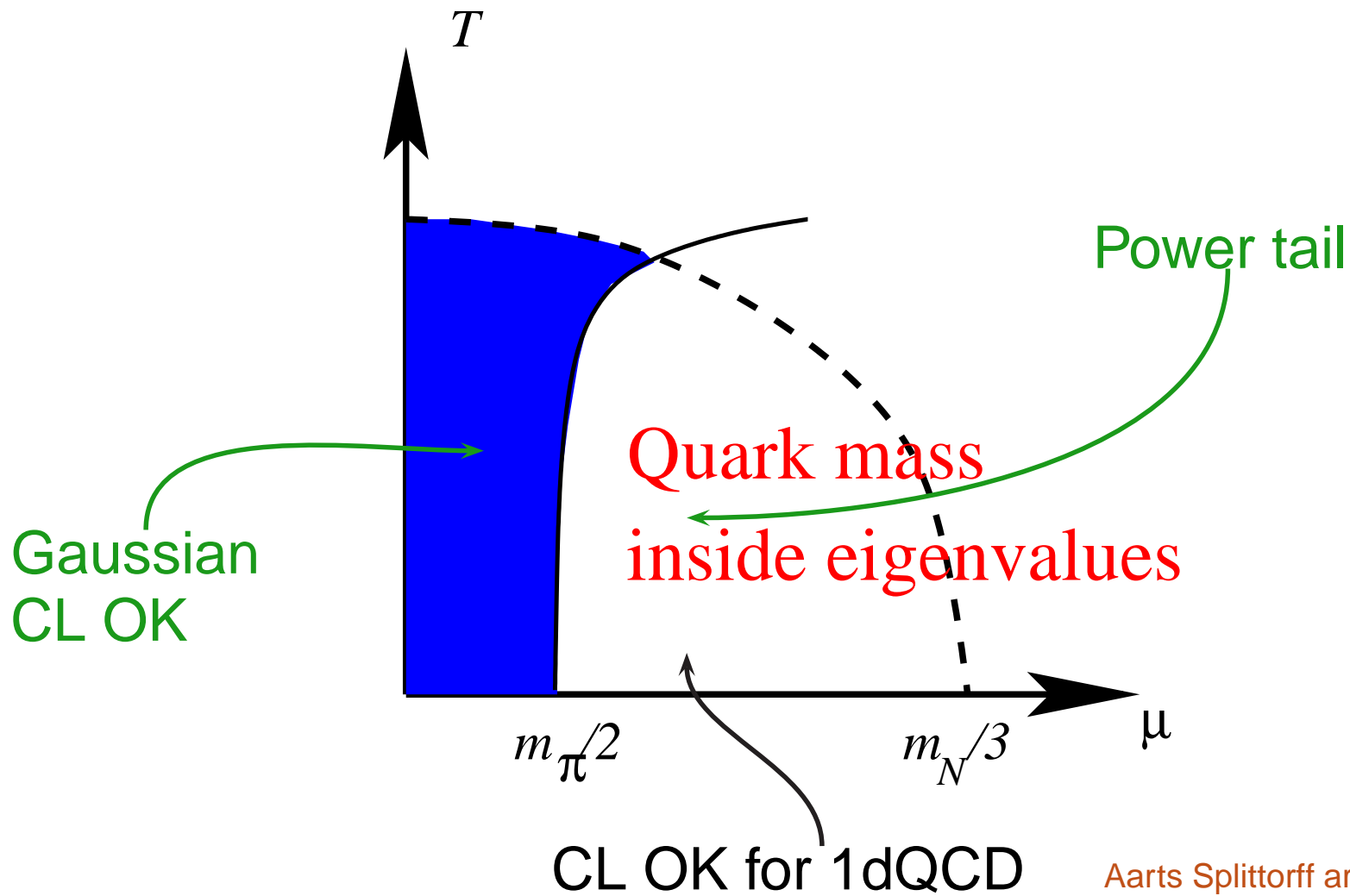
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Here:

Derived the distribution of  $n$  from CPT



Studied how  $\langle n \rangle$  becomes zero (cancellations)

Directly linked Complex Langevin

# Additional slides

## The sign problem

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*No Monte Carlo sampling of  $A_\eta$  at  $\mu \neq 0$*

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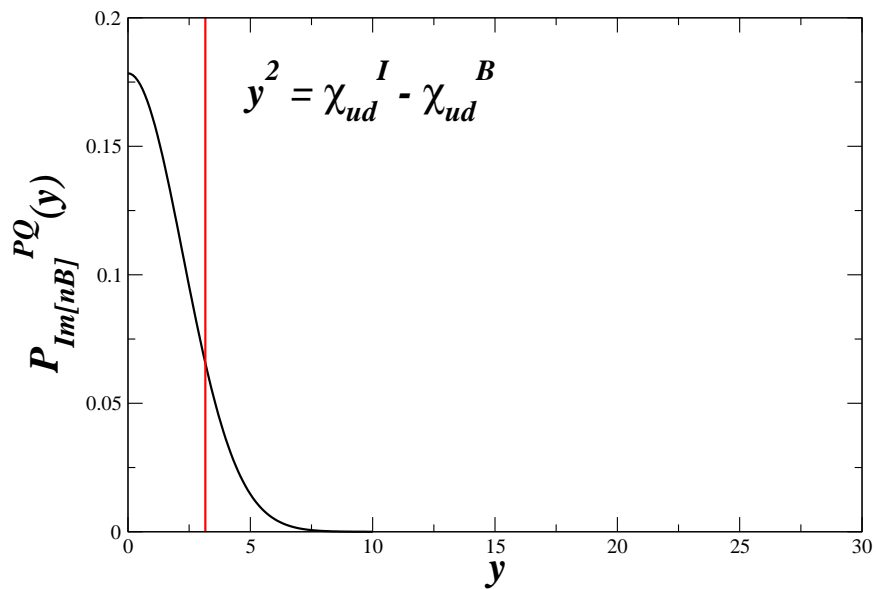
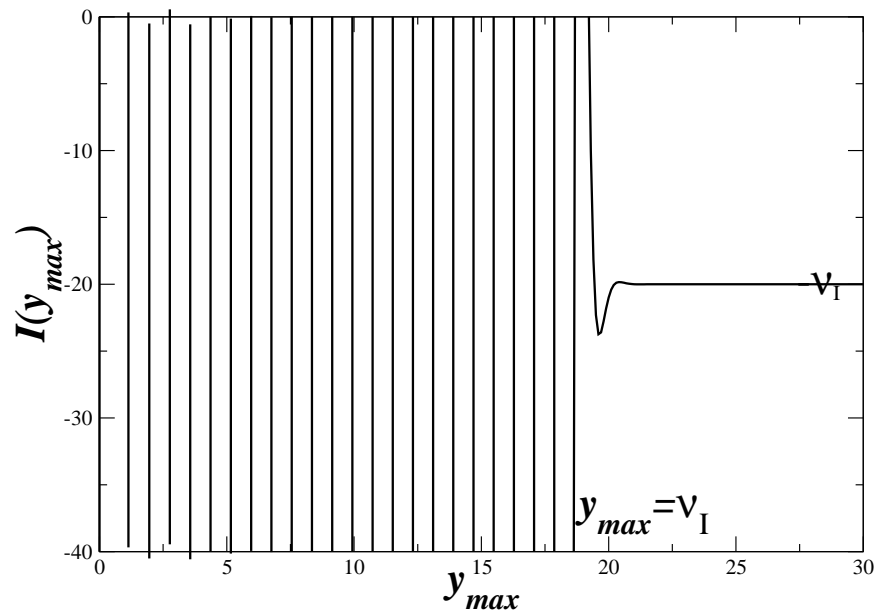
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**Observation:** We must integrate over  $V$  periods of the oscillations in order to obtain the density

# The range needed and the $\text{Im}[n]$ generated ( $\mu < m_\pi/2$ )



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The sign problem and Complex Langevin



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