

Hamiltonian approach to QCD: The Polyakov loop potential

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Outline

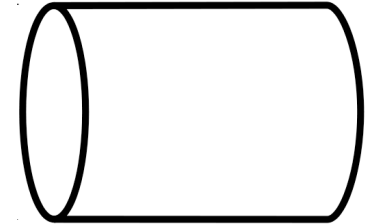
- introduction
 - order parameter for confinement:
 - Polyakov loop
- Hamiltonian approach to YMT in background gauge
- effective potential of the Polyakov loop
- deconfinement phase transition
- conclusions

Polyakov loop

- YMT at finite temperature T : compact Euclidean time

$$P[A_0](\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{d_r} \text{tr} P \exp \left[i \int_0^L dx_0 A_0(x_0, \vec{x}) \right]$$

$$T^{-1} = L$$



- order parameter for confinement: $\langle P[A_0](\vec{x}) \rangle \sim \exp[-F_\infty(\vec{x})L]$

- conf. phase: center symmetry $\langle P[A_0](\vec{x}) \rangle = 0$
- deconf. phase: center symmetry-broken $\langle P[A_0](\vec{x}) \rangle \neq 0$

- Polyakov gauge $\partial_0 A_0 = 0, A_0 = \text{diagonal}$ $P[A_0](\vec{x}) = \cos\left(\frac{A_0(\vec{x})L}{2}\right)$

- fundamental modular region $0 < A_0 L / 2 < \pi$ $P[A_0]$ – unique function of A_0

- alternative order parameters: $\langle P[A_0](\vec{x}) \rangle$ $P[\langle A_0(\vec{x}) \rangle]$ $\langle A_0(\vec{x}) \rangle$

- *F. Marhauser and J. M. Pawłowski, arXiv:0812.11144*
- *J. Braun, H. Gies, J. M. Pawłowski, Phys. Lett. B684(2010)262*

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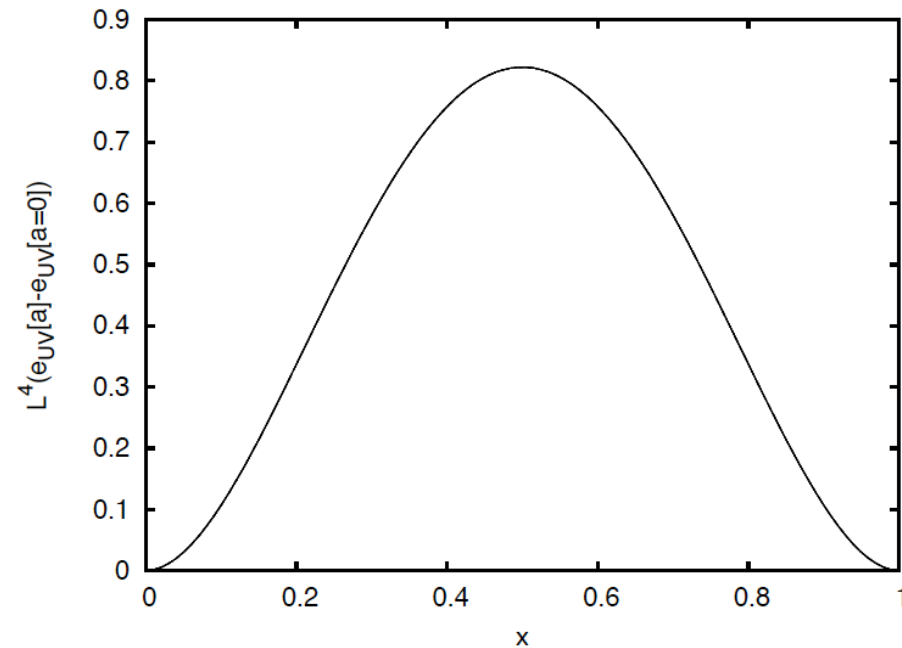
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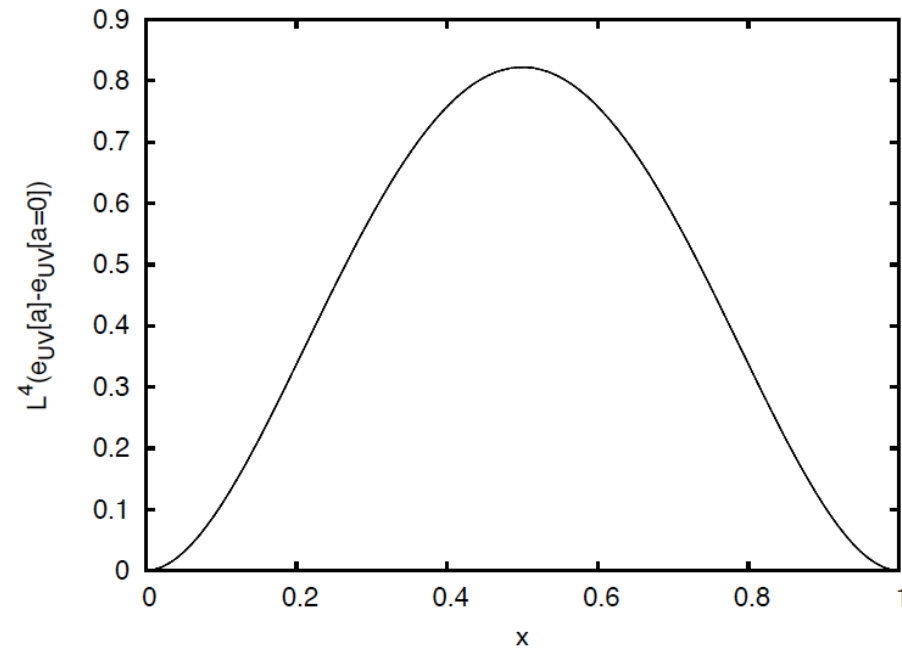
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aim of this talk: non-perturbative evaluation of $e[a_0]$ in the Hamiltonian approach

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- O(4)-invariance

- *compactify (instead of time) one spatial*
 - *(x_3-) axis to a circle of circumference L and interpret L^{-1} as temperature*

- YMT at finite length L in a constant, color diagonal background field a_3

- calculate the effective potential

$$e[a_3]$$

The effective potential in the Hamiltonian approach

- effective potential $e(\vec{a})$ of a spatial background field \vec{a}

$$\langle H \rangle_{\vec{a}} = \min \langle H \rangle \quad \langle \vec{A} \rangle = \vec{a}$$

$$\langle H \rangle_{\vec{a}} = (\text{spatial volume}) \times e(\vec{a})$$

$e(\vec{a})$ – effective potential

Hamiltonian approach to Yang-Mills theory

Weyl gauge: $A_0^a(x) = 0$ cartesian coordinates $A_i^a(x)$

momenta $\Pi_i^a(x) = \delta S / \delta \dot{A}_i^a(x) = E_i^a(x)$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x (\Pi^2(x) + B^2(x))$$

$$\Pi_k^a(x) = \delta / i \delta A_k^a(x)$$

YM Schrödinger equation

$$H\Psi[A] = E\Psi[A]$$

Gauss law $D\Pi\Psi = 0$

gauge invariant wave functionals: $\Psi[A]$

*more convenient: gauge fixing
explicit resolution of Gauss' law*

$$[\vec{\partial} + \vec{a}, \vec{A}] = 0$$

for $\vec{a} = 0$

\vec{a} – background field

$\Rightarrow \partial A = 0$

Hamiltonian approach to YMT in background gauge $[d,A]=0$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \int (J^{-1} \Pi^\perp \mathcal{M} \Pi^\perp + B^2) + \cancel{H_c} \quad \text{Coulomb term}$$

$$J(A, a) = \text{Det}(-Dd) \quad D = \partial + A \quad d = \partial + a$$

$$\langle \Phi | \dots | \Psi \rangle = \int_{\Lambda} \mathcal{D}A J(A, a) \Phi^*(A) \dots \Psi(A)$$

$$\langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle \rightarrow \min \quad \langle \Psi | \vec{A} | \Psi \rangle = \vec{a}$$

Variational calculation

Variational approach

■ trial ansatz

c.f. C.Feuchter & H. R. PRD70(2004)

$$\Psi_a(A) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{J(A,a)}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \int dx dy (A(x) - a) \omega(x,y) (A(y) - a)\right]$$

gluon field

$$\langle A \rangle_a = a$$

gluon propagator

$$\langle A(x)A(y) \rangle_a = (2\omega(x,y))^{-1}$$

variational kernel

$$\omega(x,x')$$

determined from

$$\langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle \rightarrow \min$$

Propagators in the background field

- background field $a = a^k H_k \equiv a \cdot H$ in the Cartan algebra $[H_k, H_l] = 0$

$$H_k |\sigma\rangle = \sigma_k |\sigma\rangle$$

$$\sigma = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r) - \text{roots}$$

$$SU(2): H_1 = T_3$$

$$\sigma_1 = 0, \pm 1$$

$$SU(3): H_1 = T_3 \quad H_2 = T_8$$

$$\sigma = (1, 0), \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}\right), \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}\right)$$

- propagators in presence of the diagonal background field
- in background gauge $[\partial + a, A] = 0$

- exact relation:

$$G_{a, \text{background gauge}}^\sigma(p) = G_{a=0, \partial A=0}(p^\sigma)$$

$$p^\sigma = p - \sigma \cdot a$$

- ordinary Coulomb gauge propagators

$$G_{a=0, \partial A=0}(p)$$

C. Feuchter & H. Reinhardt,
Phys. Rev.D71(2005)

- compactify 3-axis

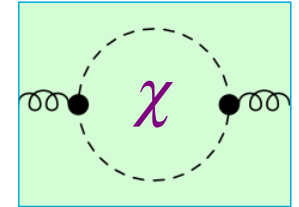
$$\vec{a} = a \vec{e}_3$$

$$\vec{p}^\sigma = \vec{p}_\perp + (p_n - \sigma \cdot a) \vec{e}_3, \quad p_n = 2\pi n / L$$

The effective potential

▪ energy density

$$e(a, L) = \sum_{\sigma} \frac{1}{L} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{n=\infty} \int d^2 p_{\perp} (\omega(p^{\sigma}) - \chi(p^{\sigma}))$$



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▪ periodicity

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ghost loop χ arises from the FP determinant in the kinetic energy

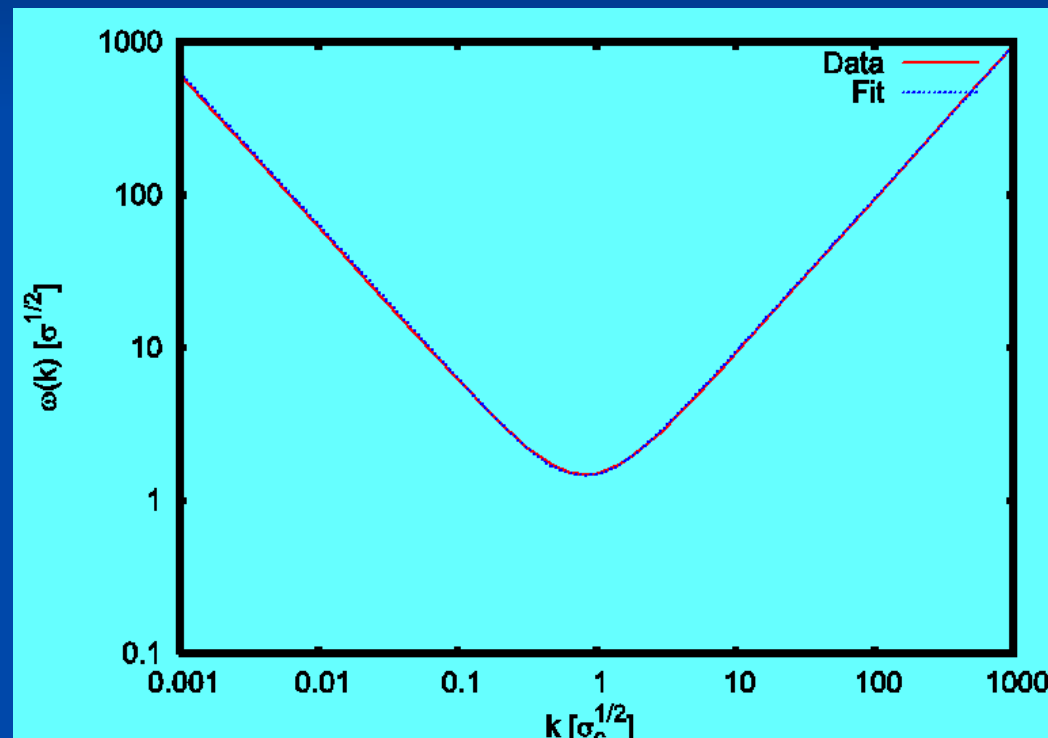
▪ input:

$\omega(p), \chi(p)$ from the variational calculation
in Coulomb gauge at $T=0$

Variational approach in Coulomb gauge

Numerical results for SU(2)

D. Epple, H. R., W.Schleifenbaum, PRD 75 (2007)



$$IR: \omega(k) \sim 1/k \quad UV: \omega(k) \sim k$$

Static gluon propagator in D=3+1

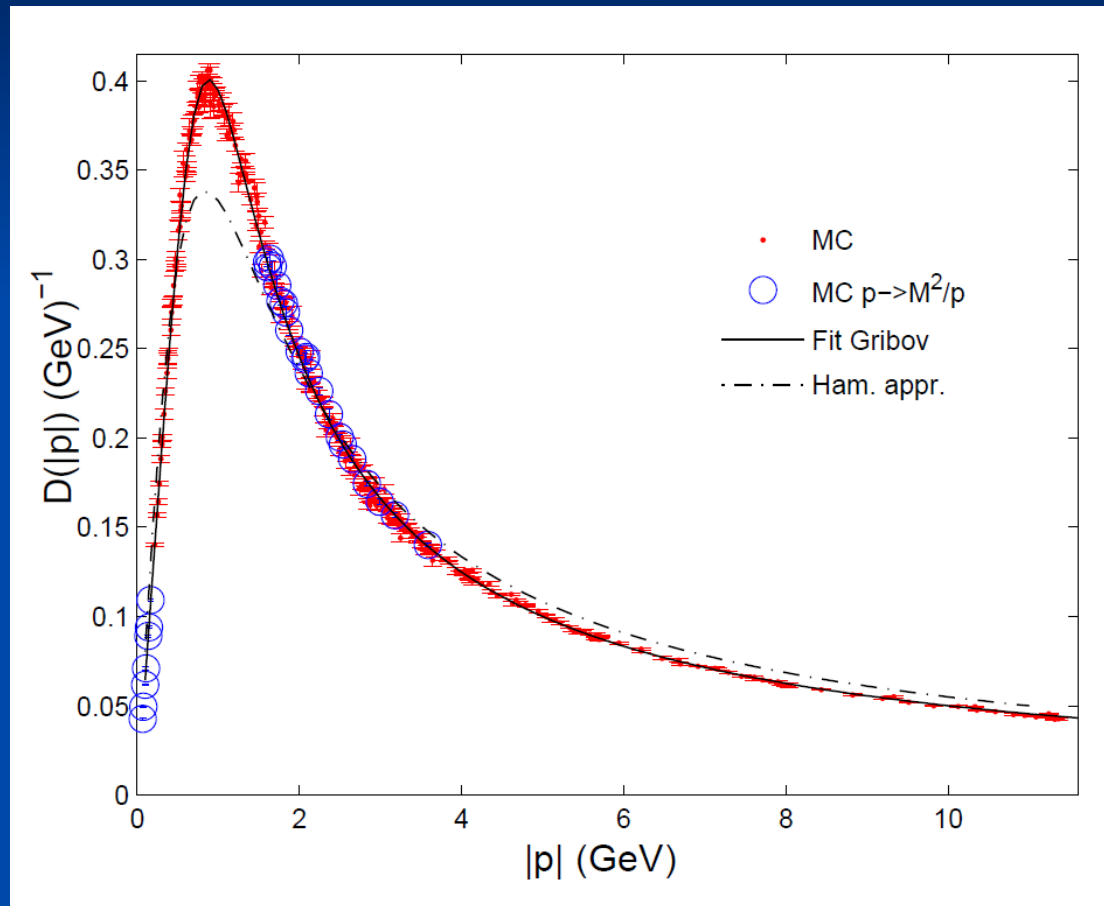
$$D(k) = (2\omega(k))^{-1}$$

Gribov's formula

$$\omega(k) = \sqrt{k^2 + \frac{M^4}{k^2}}$$

$$M = 0.88 \text{ GeV}$$

missing strength in
mid momentum regime:
missing gluon loop



G. Burgio, M.Quandt , H.R., **PRL102(2009)**

Variational approach to YMT with non-Gaussian wave functional

D. Campagnari & H.R,
Phys.Rev.D82(2010)

wave functional

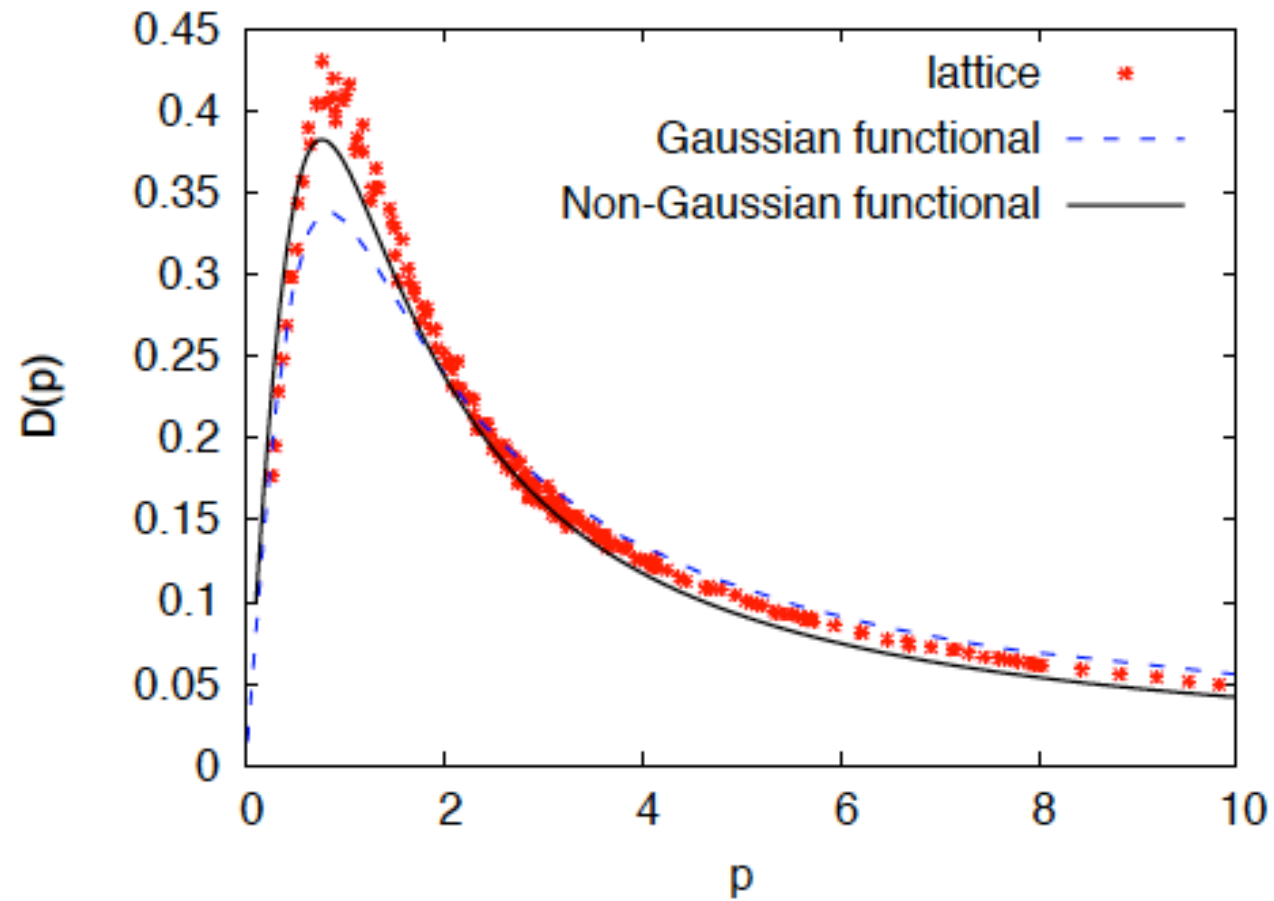
$$|\psi[A]|^2 = \exp(-S[A])$$

ansatz

$$S[A] = \int \omega A^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \int \gamma^{(3)} A^3 + \frac{1}{4!} \int \gamma^{(4)} A^4$$

exploit DSE

Corrections to the gluon propagator

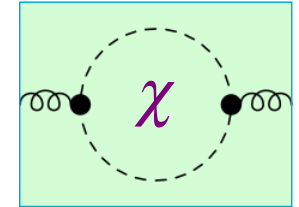


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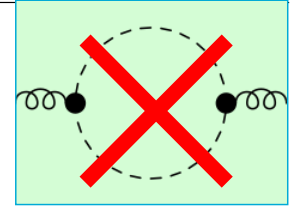
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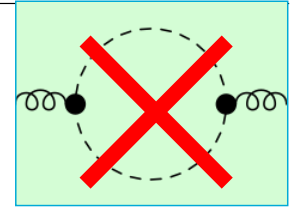
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▪ limiting cases

▪ UV: $\omega_{UV}(p) = p$

▪ IR: $\omega_{IR}(p) = M^2 / p$

▪ Gribov: $\omega(p) = \sqrt{(p^2 + M^4 / p^2)} \approx \omega_{IR}(p) + \omega_{UV}(p)$

The UV-effective potential

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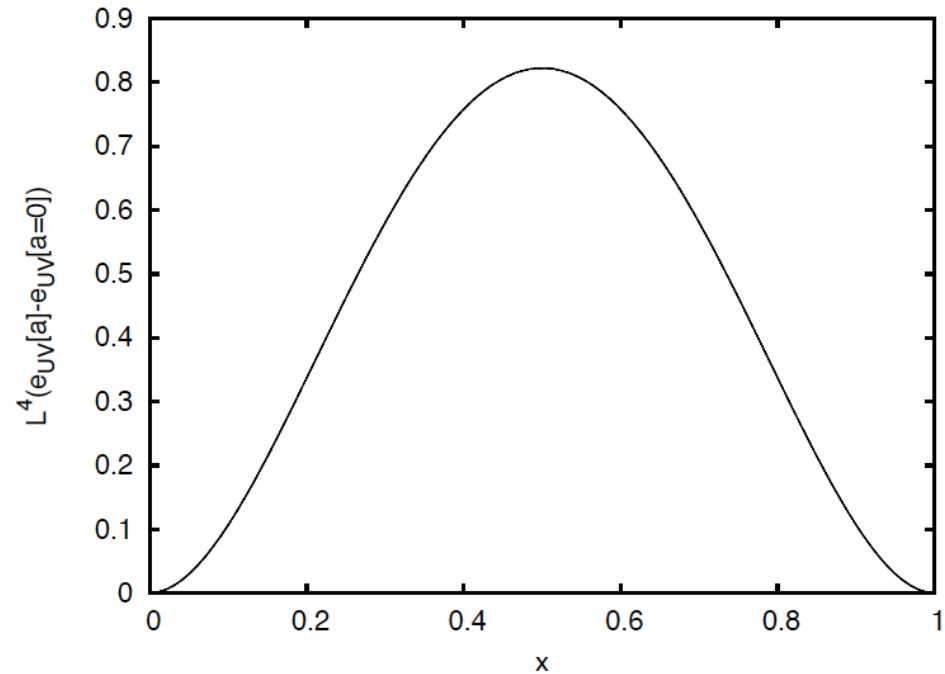
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$$= \frac{4\pi^2}{3L^4} \underbrace{\left(\frac{aL}{2\pi}\right)^2}_x \left[\frac{aL}{2\pi} - 1\right]^2$$

N.Weiss 1-loop PT



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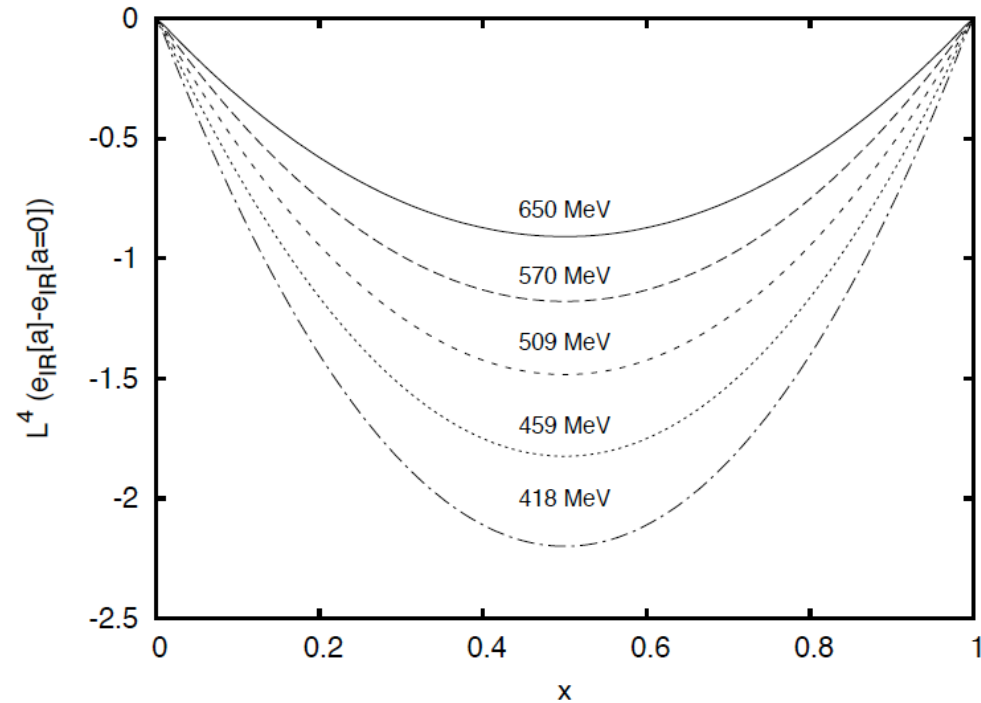
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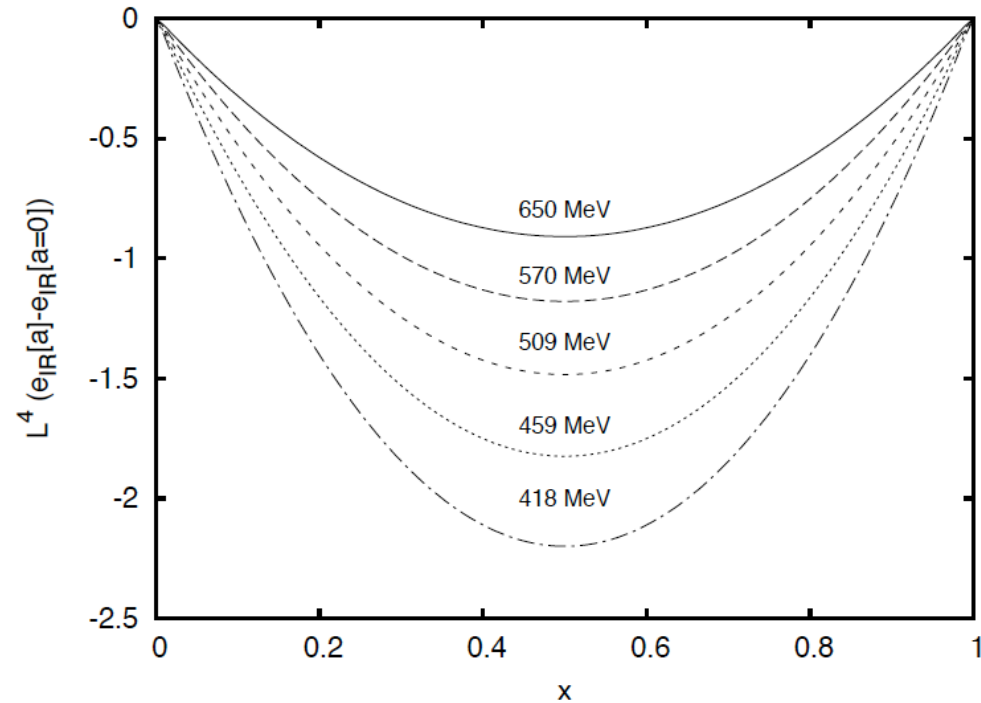
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deconfinement phase transition results from the interplay between the confining IR-potential and deconfining UV-potential

The IR+UV effective potential:

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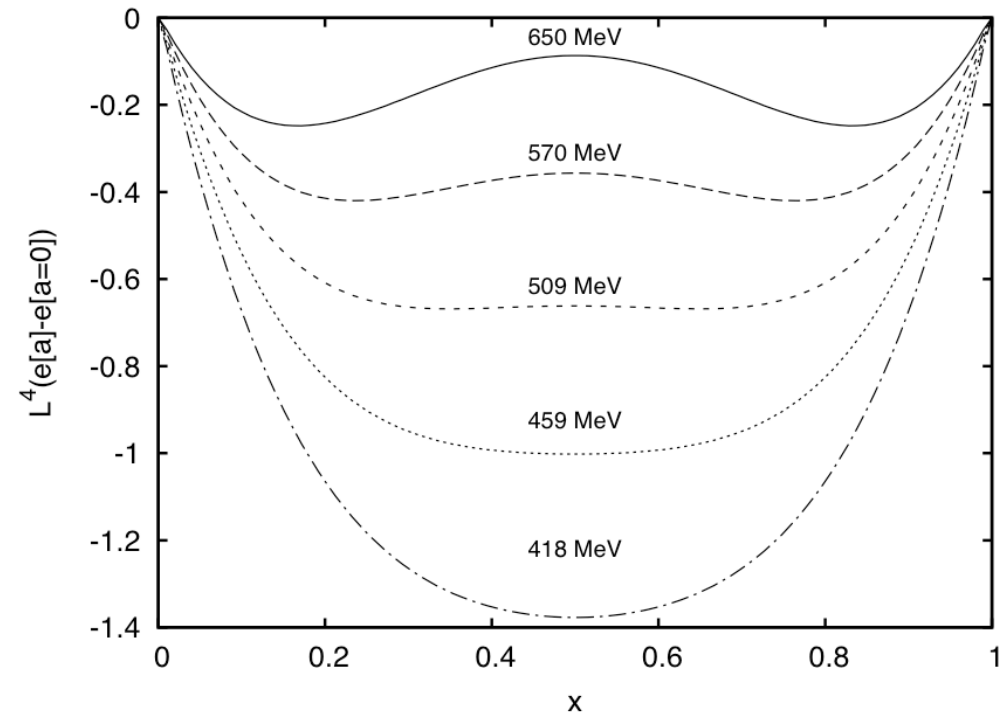
$$\omega(p) = p + M^2 / p$$

$$e(a, L) = e_{UV}(a, L) + e_{IR}(a, L)$$

phase transition

critical temperature:

$$T_C = \sqrt{3}M / \pi$$



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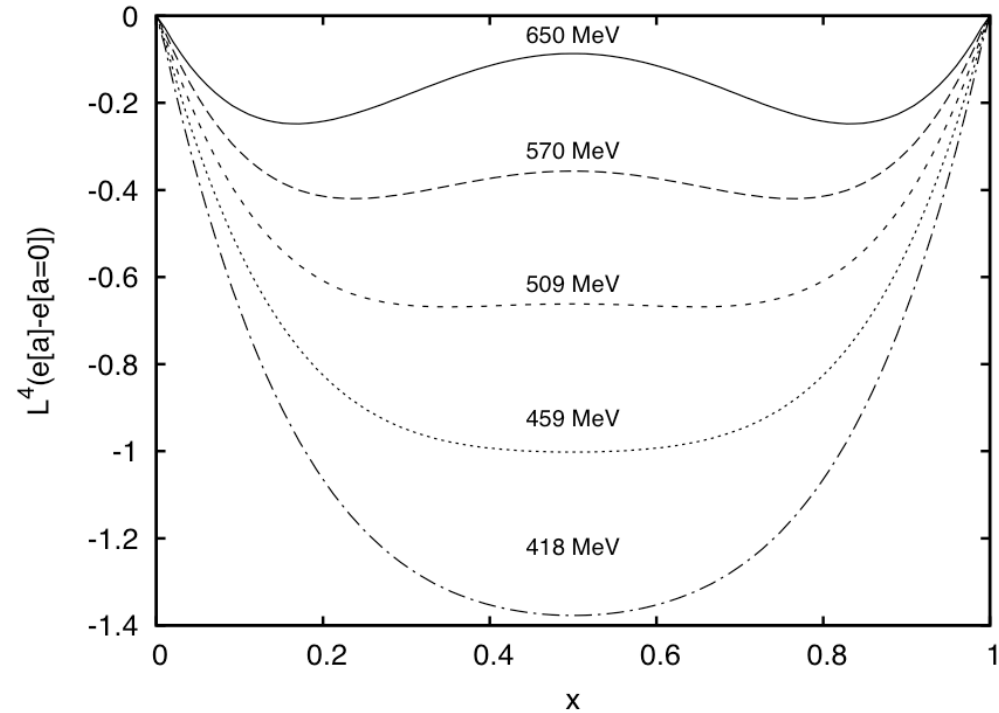
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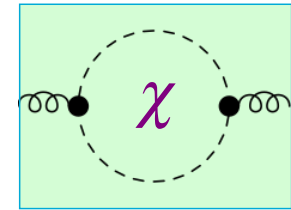


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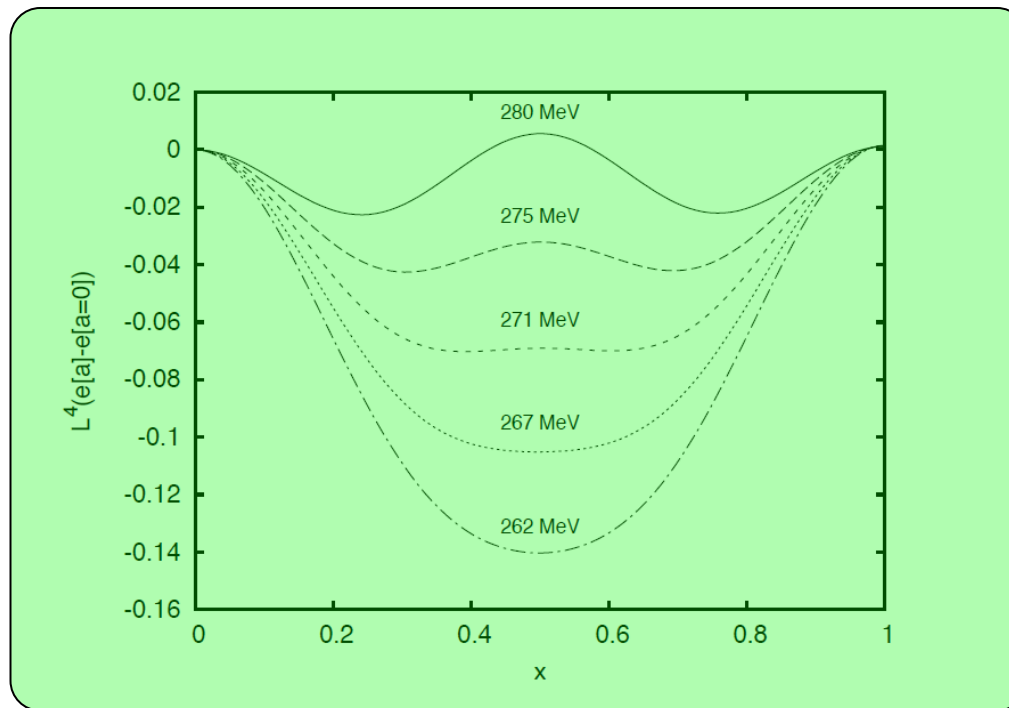
$$\chi(p) = 0 \quad \omega(p) = \sqrt{p^2 + M^4} / p^2 \quad T_C \simeq 432 \text{ MeV}$$

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variational calculation in Coulomb gauge



SU(2)

critical temperature:

$$T_c \approx 270 \text{ MeV}$$

The color dielectric function of the QCD vacuum

- ghost propagator
- dielectric „constant“

$$\varepsilon = d^{-1}$$

H.Reinhardt, PRL101 (2008)

- horizon condition:

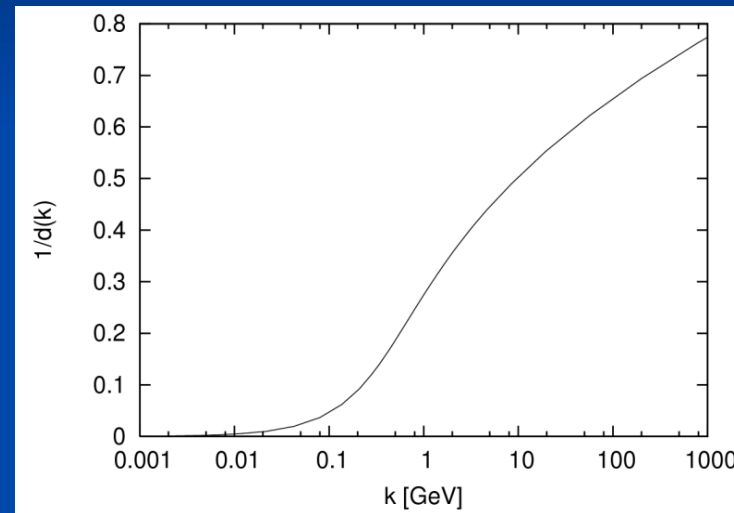
- : $d^{-1}(k=0) = 0 \quad \varepsilon(k=0) = 0$

- QCD vacuum: perfect color dia-electricum

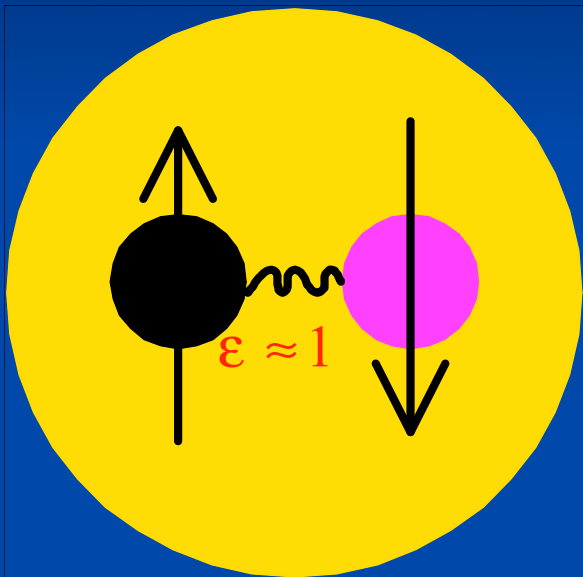
- dual superconductor:

$$\varepsilon(k) < 1 \text{ anti-screening}$$

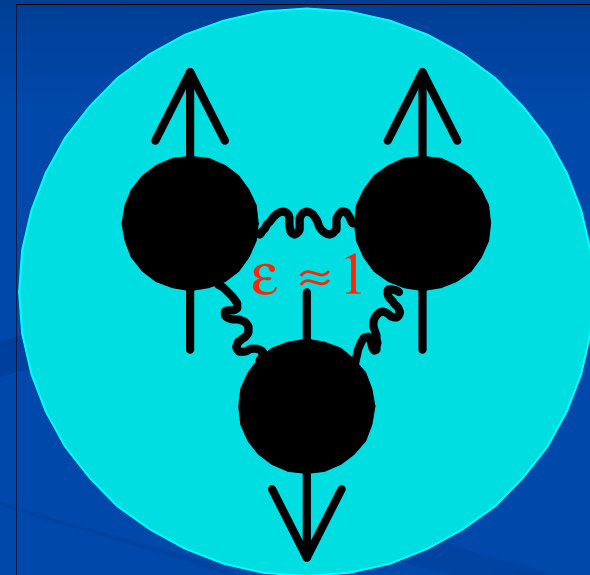
$$\langle (-D\partial)^{-1} \rangle = d / (-\Delta)$$



$$D = \varepsilon E \quad \partial D = \rho_{free}$$



$$\varepsilon = 0$$



no free color charges in the vacuum: confinement

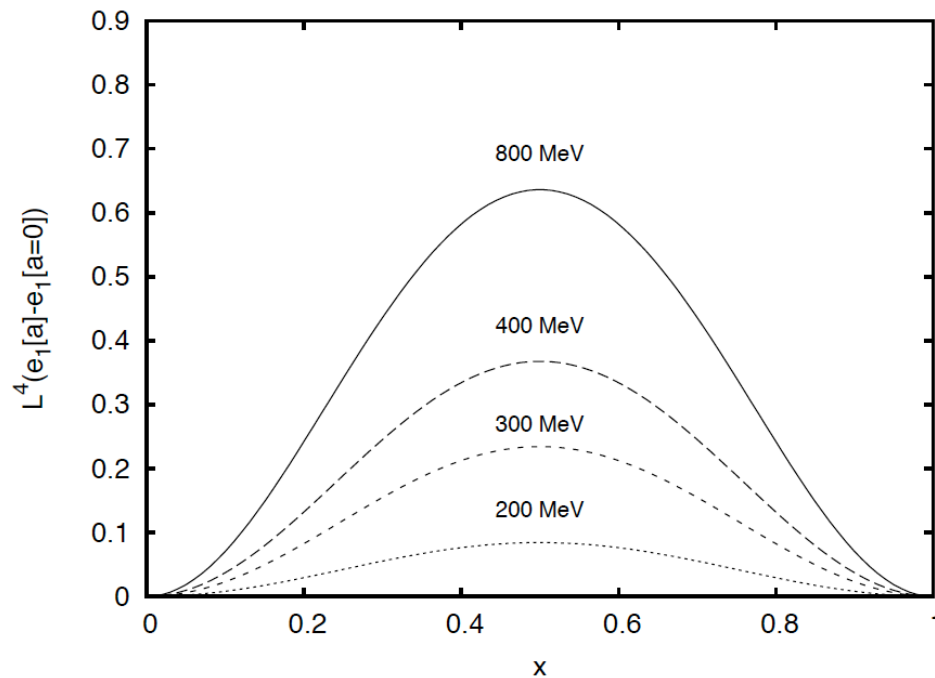
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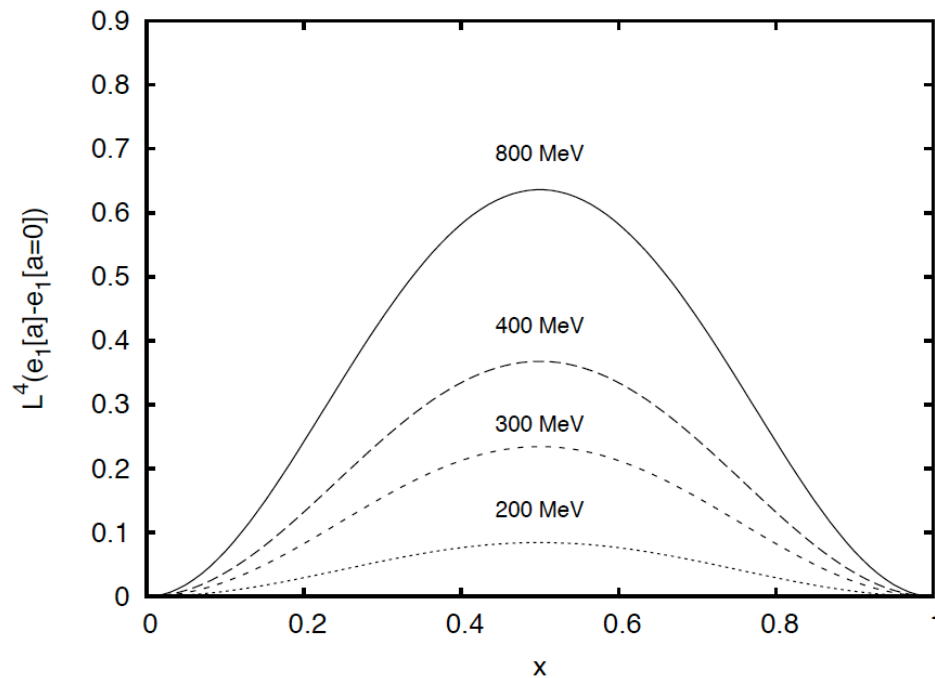
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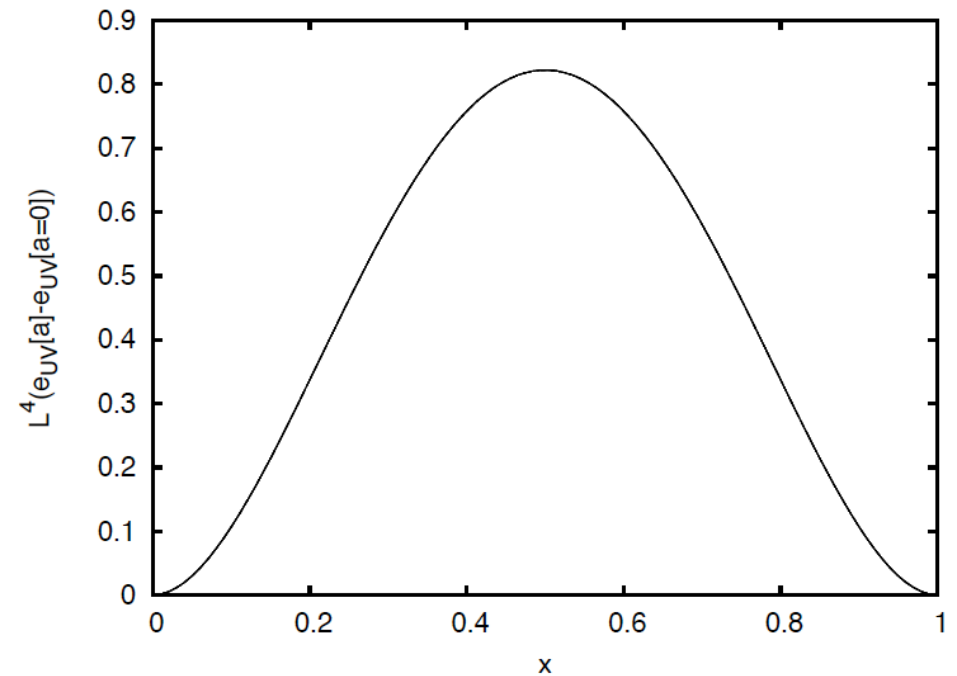
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$$M = 0 \quad \omega(p) = p$$



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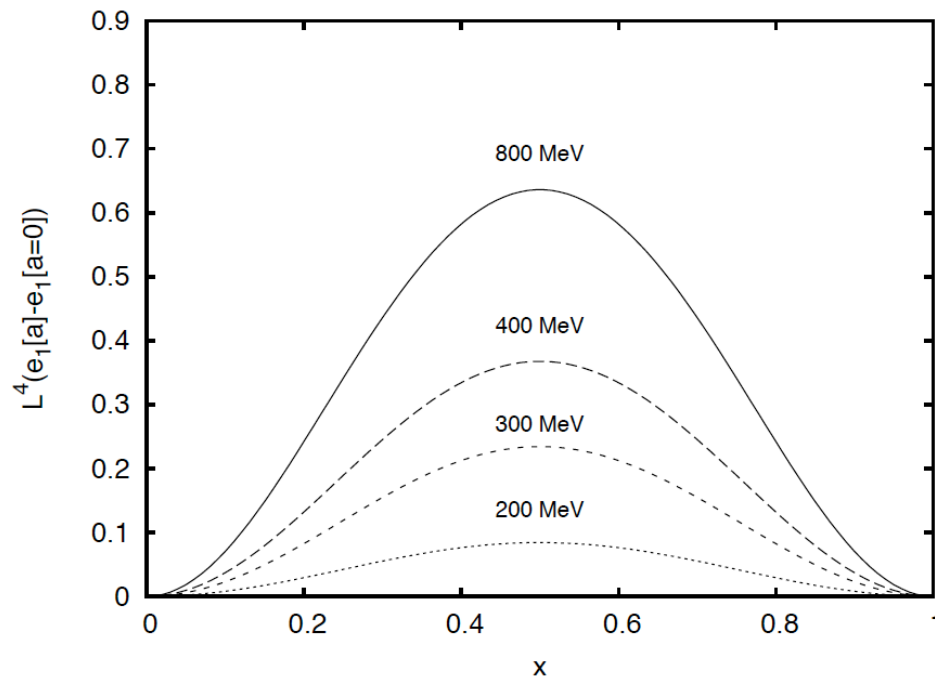
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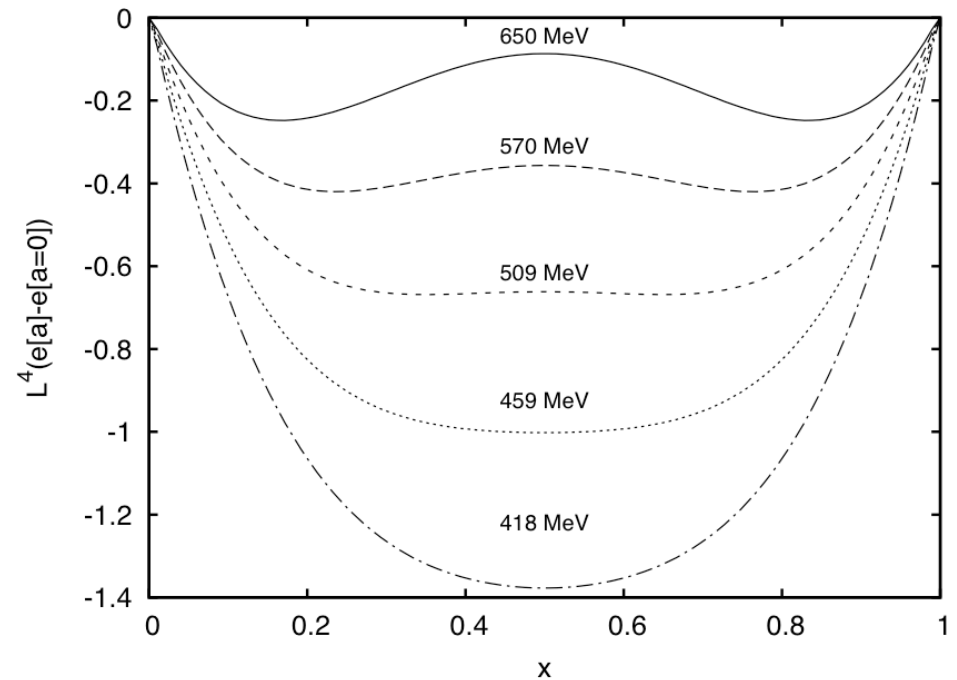
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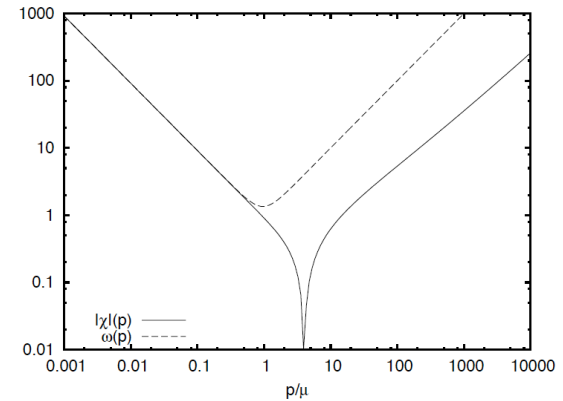


phase transition

The full effective potential for SU(3)

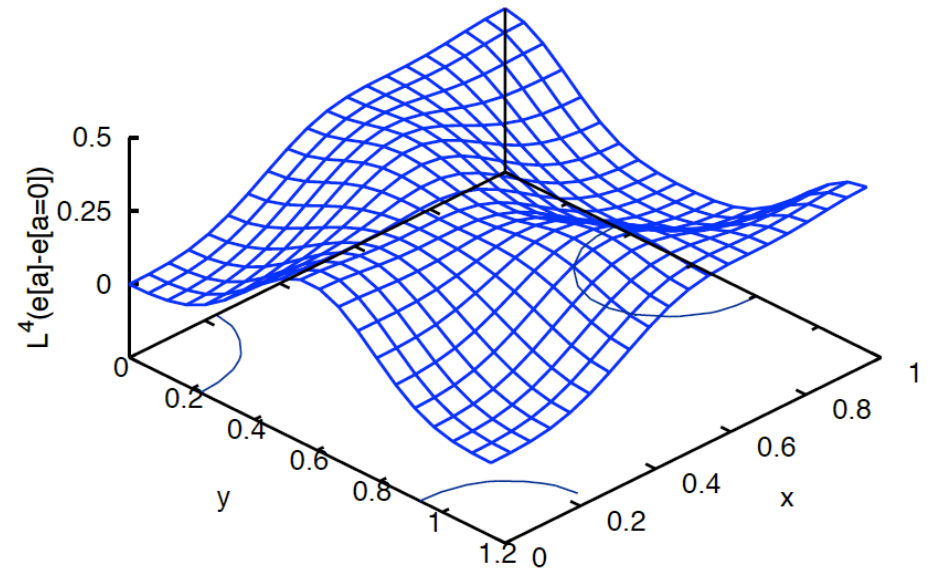
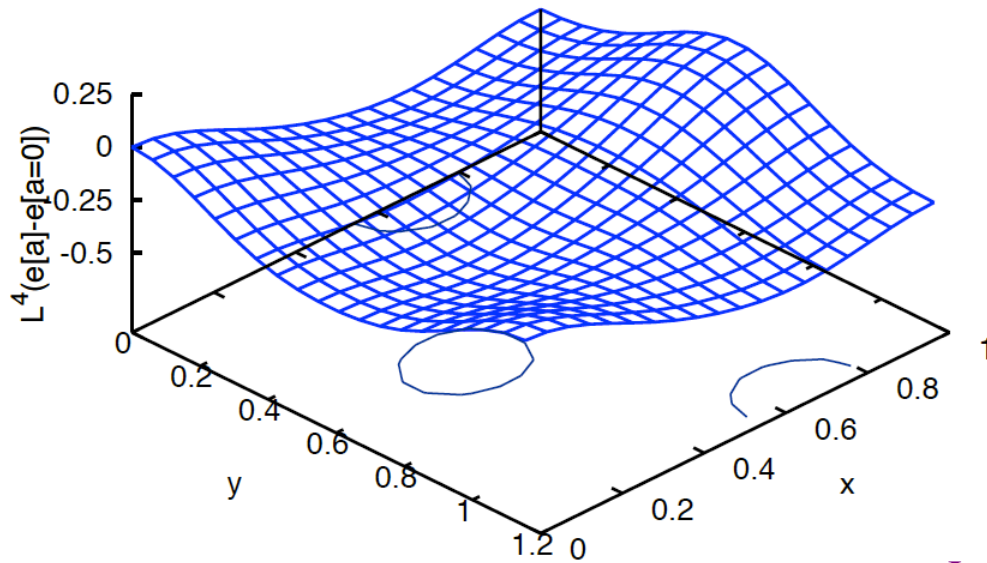
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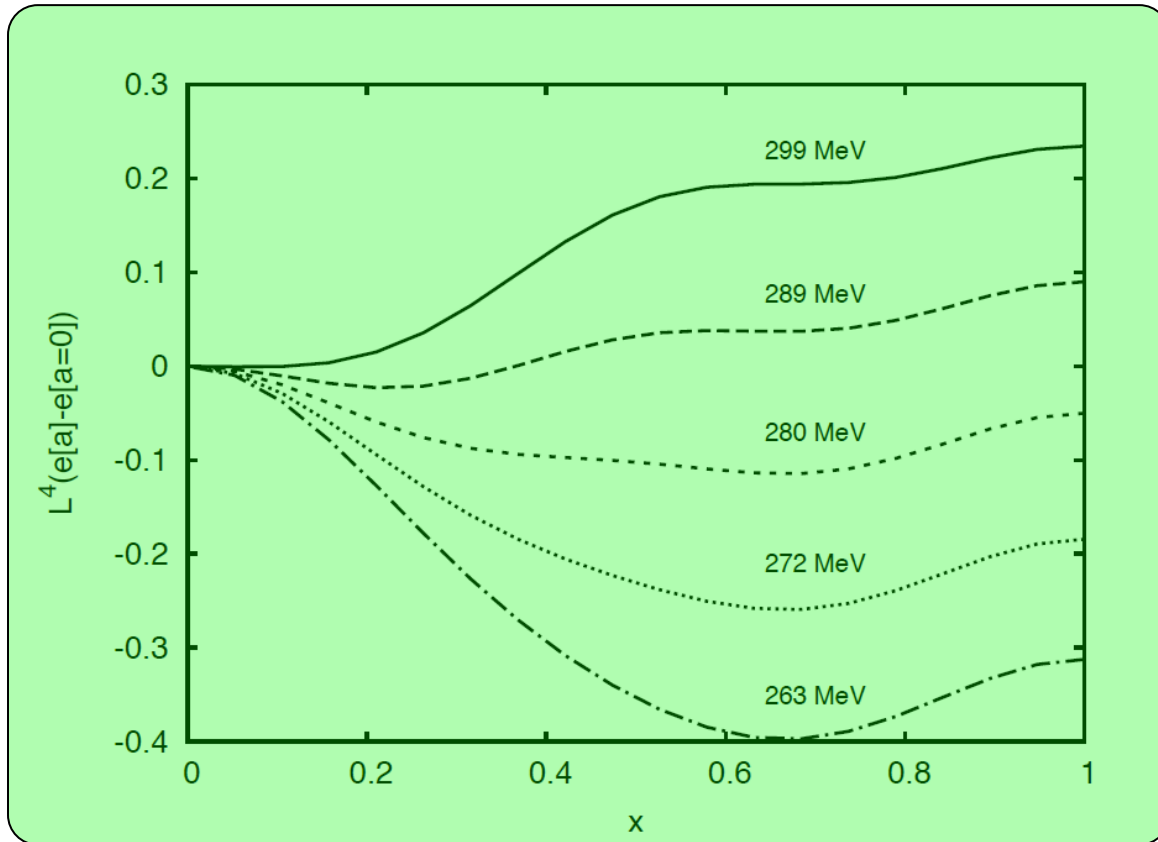
$T < T_c$

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Polyakov loop potential for SU(3)

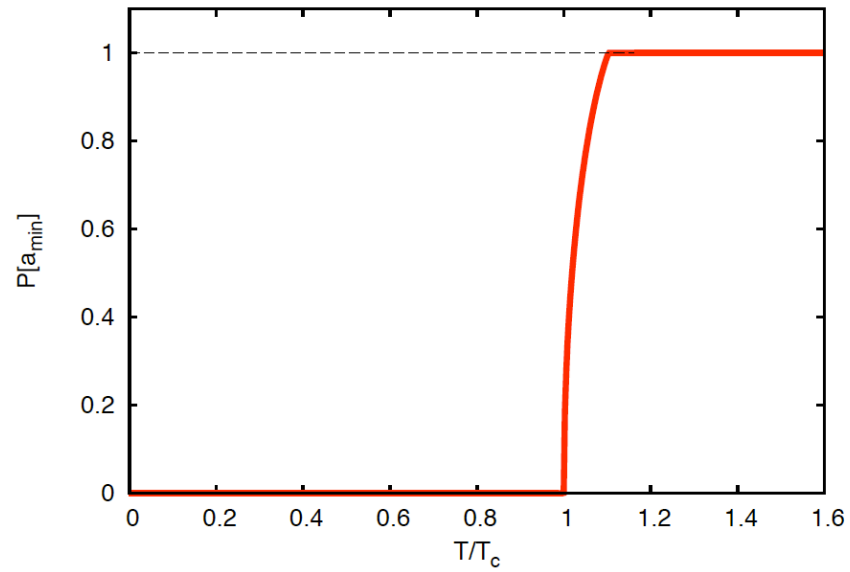


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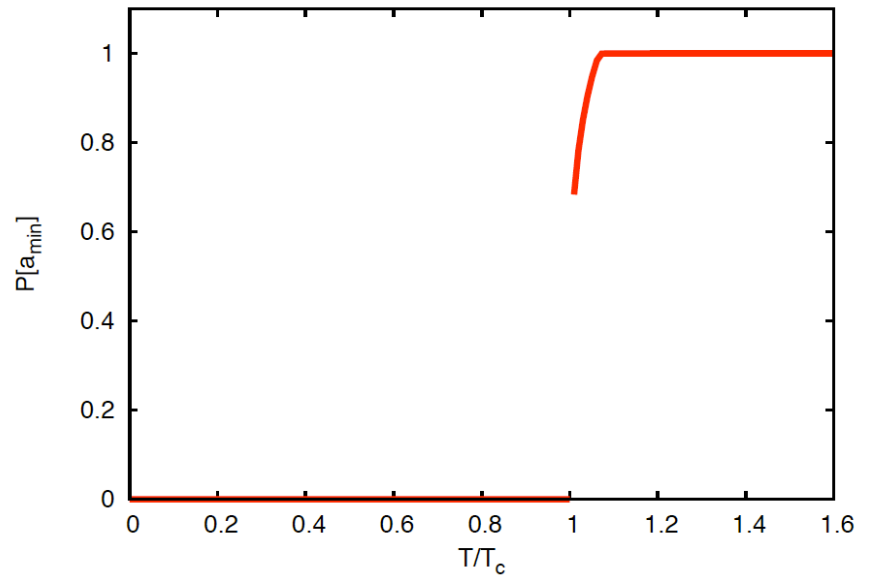
input : SU(2) – data :
M = 880 MeV

$$T_c = 283 \text{ MeV}$$

The Polyakov loop



SU(2)



SU(3)

critical temperature

lattice :

$$T_c^{SU(2)} = 295 \text{ MeV}$$

$$T_c^{SU(3)} = 270 \text{ MeV}$$

this work :

$$T_c^{SU(2)} = 267 \text{ MeV}$$

$$T_c^{SU(3)} = 277 \text{ MeV}$$

FRG(Fister & Pawlowski) : $T_c^{SU(2)} = 230 \text{ MeV}$

$$T_c^{SU(3)} = 275 \text{ MeV}$$

Conclusions

- effective potential of the Polyakov loop in the Hamiltonian approach
- input: vacuum propagators obtained in the variational calculation
 - in Coulomb gauge
- neglect of ghost loop and use of the UV-gluon energy $\omega(p) = p$:
Weiss potential
- full potential: deconfinement phase transition $T_c \approx 270 \text{ MeV}$
 - SU(2): 2.order
 - SU(3): 1.order
- deconfinement phase transition is encoded in the vacuum wave functional on $R^2 \times S^1$
- similar results: grand canonical ensemble

Thanks for your attention