



# Canonical Dyson–Schwinger Equations of QCD in Coulomb gauge

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# Motivation

## Yang–Mills sector

Results hitherto achieved in Coulomb gauge

- IR behaviour of propagators
- linearly rising potential between static charges
- Polyakov loop potential and deconfinement phase transition (see talk by H. Reinhardt)

## Fermion sector

Inclusion of quarks should explain

- constituent quark mass
- chiral condensate
- QCD phase diagram



# Hamilton operator of QCD in Coulomb gauge

## Steps

- start from canonically quantized theory in temporal gauge  $A_0 = 0$
- physical states satisfy Gauss's law
- eliminate longitudinal degrees of freedom

$$\begin{aligned} H = & \frac{1}{2} \int \left[ -\mathcal{J}_A^{-1} \frac{\delta}{\delta A} \mathcal{J}_A \frac{\delta}{\delta A} + B^2 \right] + \int \psi^\dagger (-i\alpha \cdot \nabla + \beta m) \psi \\ & - g \int \psi^\dagger \alpha \cdot \mathbf{A} \psi + \frac{g^2}{2} \int \mathcal{J}_A^{-1} \rho \mathcal{J}_A F_A \rho \end{aligned}$$

- $B$  is the non-abelian magnetic field
- $\rho^a = \psi^\dagger t^a \psi - i f^{abc} A^b \frac{\delta}{\delta A^c}$  is the colour charge density
- $F_A = (-\partial \cdot D)^{-1} (-\partial^2) (-\partial \cdot D)^{-1}$  is the Coulomb kernel



# Static Green's functions

V.e.v. of an operator

$$\langle K \rangle = \int \mathcal{D}A \mathcal{J}_A \mathcal{D}\xi^\dagger \mathcal{D}\xi \Psi^*[A, \xi, \xi^\dagger] K \Psi[A, \xi, \xi^\dagger]$$

- $\mathcal{J}_A = \text{Det}(-\partial \cdot D)$  (with  $D = \partial + A$ ) is the Faddeev–Popov determinant of Coulomb gauge
- integration over transverse field configurations
- $\xi$  and  $\xi^\dagger$  are Grassmann fields
- $\Psi$  is the vacuum wave functional

The expectation values of products of fields

$$\langle AA \rangle, \quad \langle \xi \xi^\dagger \rangle, \quad \langle \xi \xi^\dagger A \rangle, \dots$$

are the static (equal-time) Green functions.



## Vacuum wave functional

Formal equivalence to Lagrangian approach

Writing the vacuum wave functional as

$$|\Psi[A, \xi, \xi^\dagger]|^2 =: \exp\left\{-S[A, \xi, \xi^\dagger]\right\}$$

we have an Euclidean QFT defined by an “action”  $S[A, \xi, \xi^\dagger]$ .

Expansion of the vacuum wave functional

$$S[A, \xi, \xi^\dagger] = \frac{1}{2} \gamma_2 A^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \gamma_3 A^3 + \frac{1}{4!} \gamma_4 A^4 + \xi^\dagger (\bar{\gamma} + \bar{\Gamma}_0 A) \xi + \dots$$



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# Canonical Dyson–Schwinger equations

Gluon and quark CDSEs are derived from the identity

$$0 = \int \mathcal{D}A \mathcal{D}\xi^\dagger \mathcal{D}\xi \frac{\delta}{\delta\phi} \left\{ \mathcal{J}_A e^{-S[A,\xi,\xi^\dagger]} K[A, \xi, \xi^\dagger] \right\}$$

where  $\phi \in \{A, \xi, \xi^\dagger\}$ .

Ghost CDSEs follow from the operator identity

$$G_A = G_0 - G_0 \tilde{\Gamma}_0 A G_A$$

where  $G_A^{-1} = -\partial \cdot D$ , and  $\tilde{\Gamma}_0$  is the bare ghost-gluon vertex.



# Propagator DSEs

Gluon propagator  $\langle AA \rangle \equiv 1/2\Omega(\mathbf{p})$

$$\text{---} = 2 \text{---} + \text{---}$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \text{---} \square \text{---} + \frac{1}{2} \text{---} \square \text{---} + \text{---} \square \text{---} - \text{---} \square \text{---}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \text{---} \square^2 \text{---} + \frac{1}{3!} \text{---} \square^3 \text{---} - \text{---} \square \text{---} + \text{---} \square \text{---}$$

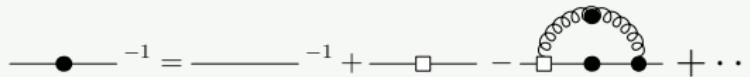


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## Variational method

## Truncation scheme: two loops in the energy

- evaluate the energy in the state defined by the chosen Ansatz
  - use the CDSEs to express the energy density as a function of the variational kernels
  - minimize the energy by taking functional derivatives w.r.t. the variational kernels



This gives a set of **gap equations**, which can be combined with the CDSEs.

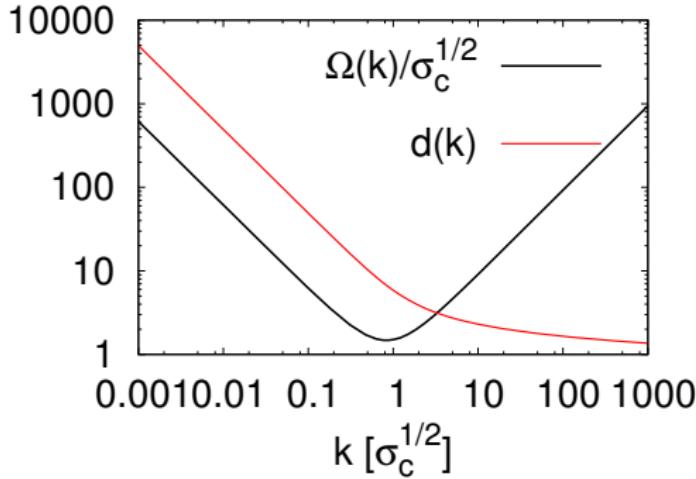


# Yang–Mills sector

## Ghost and gluon propagators

$$\langle AA \rangle = \frac{1}{2\Omega(k)}$$

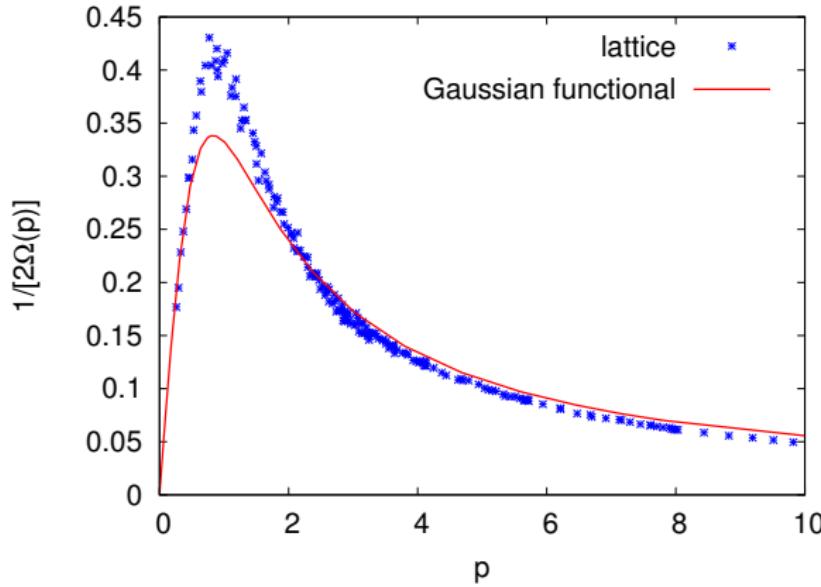
$$\langle G_A \rangle = \frac{d(k)}{k^2}$$





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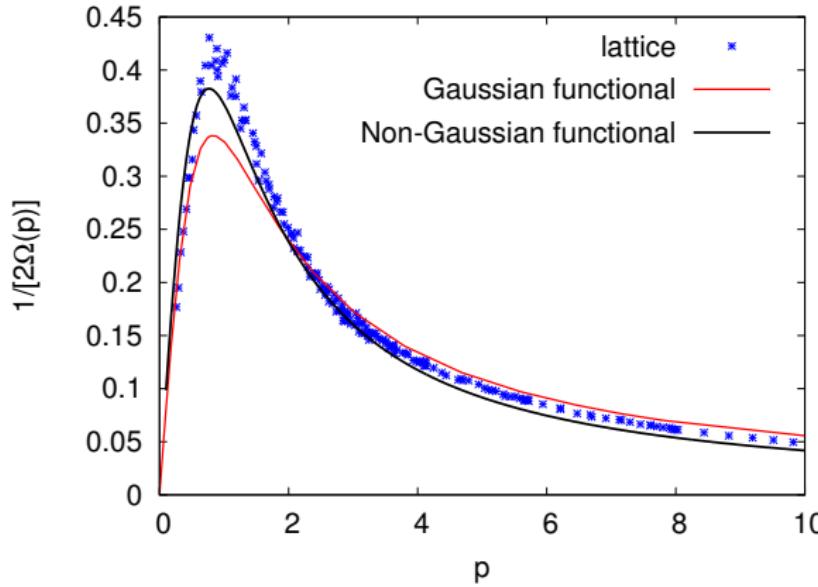
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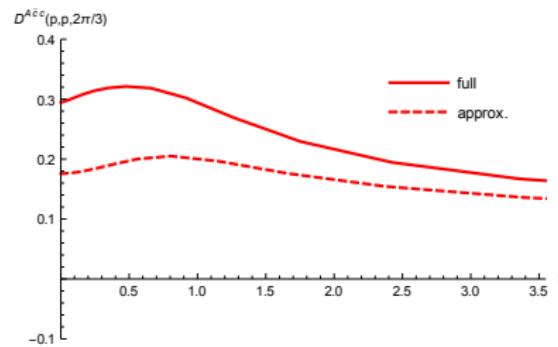
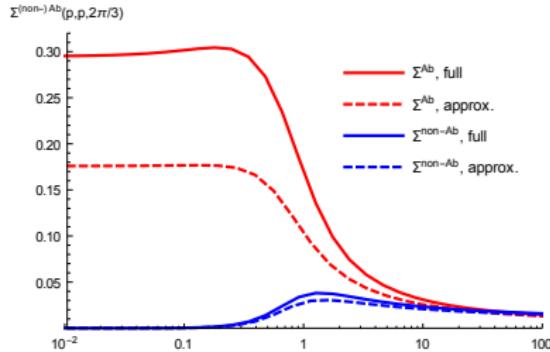




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## Ghost-gluon vertex

### Truncated CDSE



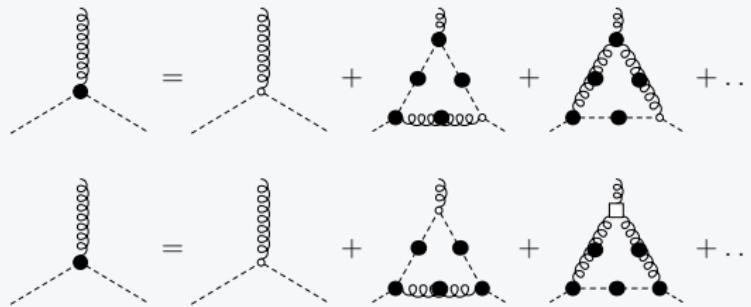
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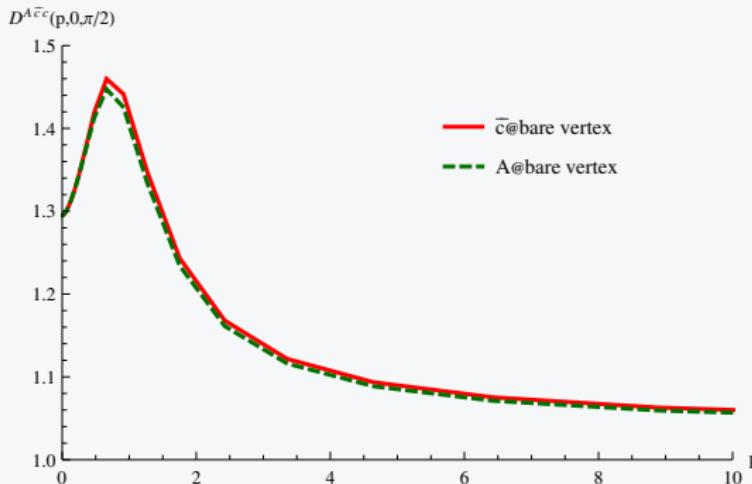
Two different CDSEs





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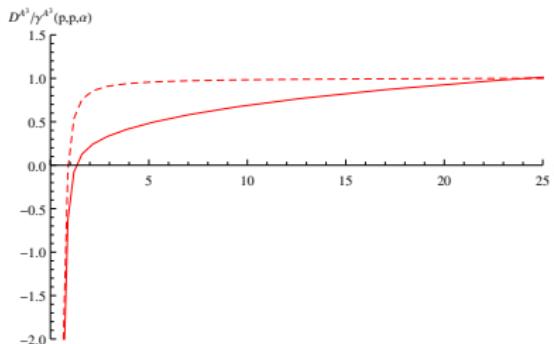
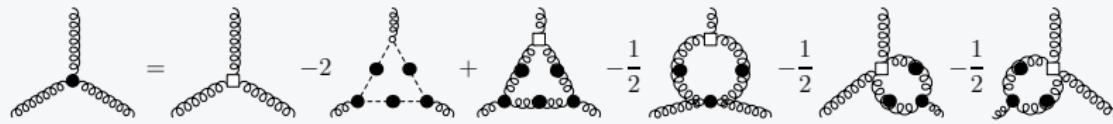
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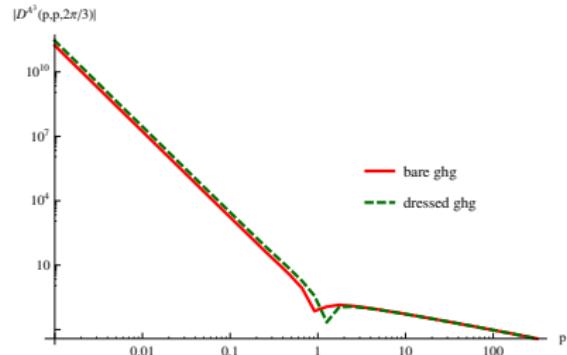
# Yang–Mills sector

## The three-gluon vertex

### (Truncated) Three-gluon vertex CDSE



Dashed line: Ghost triangle only  
Full line: Full CDSE



Full red line: Bare ghost-gluon vertex  
Dashed green line: Full ghost-gluon vertex  
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# Fermion sector

## The quark-gluon kernel

### Ansatz for the quark-gluon kernel

In the exponent of the wave functional

$$S[A, \xi, \xi^\dagger] = \frac{1}{2} \gamma_2 A^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \gamma_3 A^3 + \frac{1}{4!} \gamma_4 A^4 + \xi^\dagger (\bar{\gamma} + \bar{\Gamma}_0 A) \xi$$

take the most simple Dirac and colour structure

$$\bar{\Gamma}_0 \sim \alpha_i t^a v(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})$$

with  $v$  being a scalar variational kernel.



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### The quark-gluon kernel

#### Explicit form of the quark-gluon kernel

Variation of the energy density fixes the quark-gluon vector kernel to

$$v(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = -\frac{1 + b(\mathbf{p}) b(\mathbf{q})}{\Omega(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}^2/\mathcal{E}_\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}^2/\mathcal{E}_\mathbf{q}}$$

with

$$b(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{p}) - |\mathbf{p}|}{M(\mathbf{p})}, \quad \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{p}) = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + M^2(\mathbf{p})}.$$

Compare to the leading-order perturbative form

$$v_0(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = -\frac{1}{|\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}| + |\mathbf{p}| + |\mathbf{q}|}.$$



# Fermion sector

## Modifications to the gluon gap equation

$$\Omega^2(\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{p}^2 + \text{Yang-Mills loop terms}$$

$$- 2 \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{X(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) v^2(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})}{[1 + b^2(\mathbf{q})] [1 + b^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})]} \left[ \Omega(\mathbf{p}) + \frac{\mathbf{q}^2}{\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{p})} \right]$$

### Yang-Mills terms

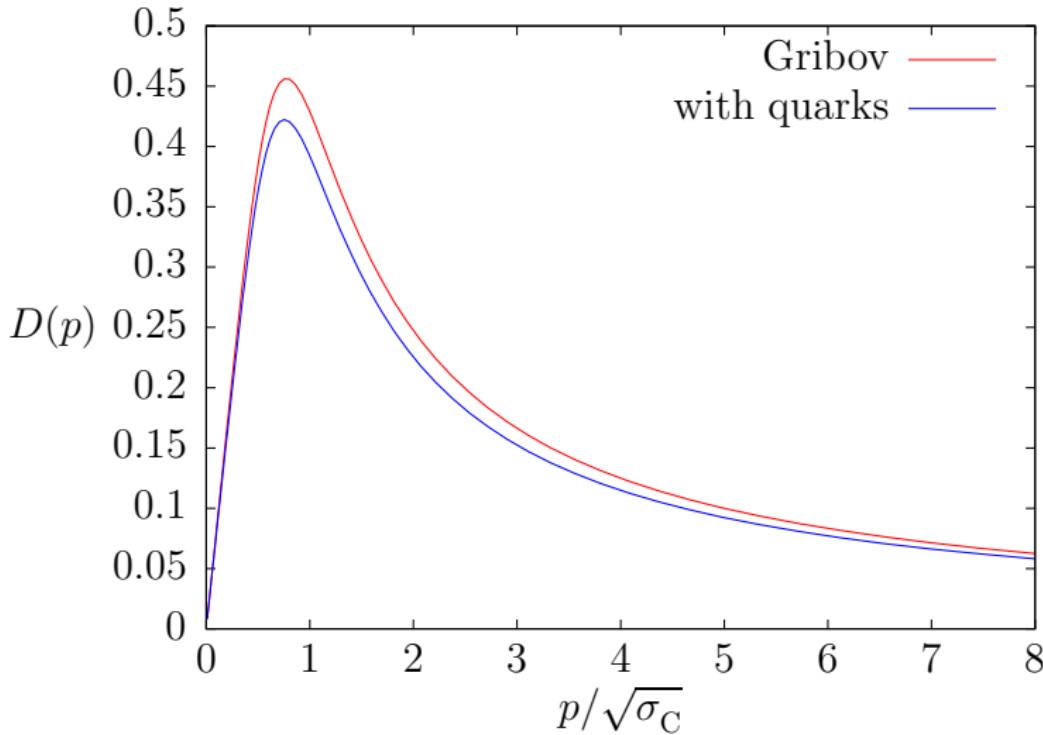
- ghost loop
- gluon loop
- Coulomb interaction of gluon charges

$X(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})$  is a scalar factor arising from the Dirac trace.



# Fermion sector

## Gluon propagator with quark loop





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## Quark gap equation

$$\begin{aligned} M(\mathbf{p}) = & \frac{g^2 C_F}{2} \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{F(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})}{\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{q})} \left[ M(\mathbf{q}) - \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}}{\mathbf{p}^2} M(\mathbf{p}) \right] \\ & + \frac{g^2 C_F}{2} \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{X(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) v^2(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})}{\Omega(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}) \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{q})} \mathcal{I}[M, \mathcal{E}, \Omega] \end{aligned}$$

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## Summary

- standard DSE techniques can be used to treat arbitrary wave functionals
- new results for Yang–Mills vertex functions
- coupled quark-gluon system in Hamiltonian approach investigated
- renormalization still an open issue

## Outlook

- include all perturbatively relevant terms in the ansatz
- possibly a **dressed quark-gluon vertex**