

# Confinement/deconfinement phase transition in $SU(3)$ Yang-Mills theory and Non-Abelian dual Meissner effect

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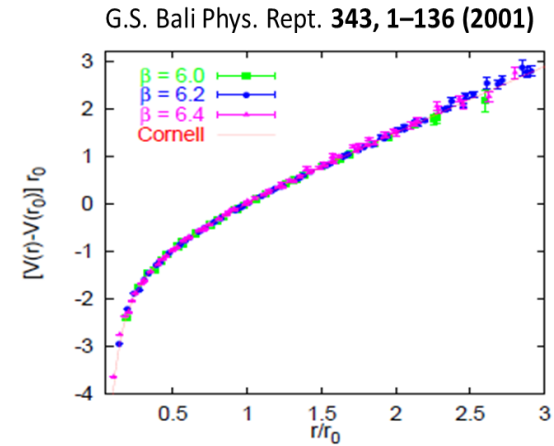
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# Introduction(1)

❑ Quark confinement follows from the area law of the Wilson loop average [Wilson,1974]

❑ **Dual superconductivity** is promising mechanism.  
[Y.Nambu (1974). G.'t Hooft, (1975).  
S.Mandelstam(1976), A.M. Polyakov (1975)]



- ❑ To establish this picture, we must show evidences of the dual version of the superconductivity in various situations.
- Dual super conductivity in the fundamental representation (Preceding works)
  - Dual super conductivity in the higher representation (Matsudo's talk)
  - Confinement/deconfinement phase transition at finite temperature (this talk)

# Dual superconductivity

## Superconductor (condensed matter)

- Condensation of electric charges (Cooper pairs)
- Meissner effect: Abrikosov string (magnetic flux tube) connecting monopole and anti-monopole
- Linear potential between monopoles

## Dual superconductor (QCD)

- Condensation of **magnetic monopoles**
- Dual Meissner effect: formation of a hadron string (**chromoelectric flux tube**) connecting quark and antiquark
- **Linear potential** between quark and anti-quark



# Extracting dominant mode for confinement

## Abelian projection method

Extracting the dominant mode as the diagonal (Abelian) part in the maximal Abelian (MA) gauge.  $U=XV$

- $SU(2) \rightarrow U(1)$
- $SU(3) \rightarrow U(1) \times U(1)$

### Problems:

- ✓ The results of Abelian projection method depends on the gauge fixing of the Yang-Mills theory.
- ✓ The gauge fixing breaks (global) color symmetry.

## Decomposition method

### [a new formulation on a lattice]

Extracting the relevant mode  $V$  for quark confinement by solving the defining equation **in the gauge independent way (gauge-invariant way).**

➔ The Abelian projection method can be reformulated by using the decomposition method in the gauge invariant way.

# A new formulation of Yang-Mills theory (on a lattice)

[Phys.Rept. 579 (2015) 1-226]

Decomposition of SU(N) gauge links For SU(N) YM gauge link, there are several possible options of decomposition *discriminated by its stability groups*:

□ SU(2) Yang-Mills link variables: unique  $U(1) \subset SU(2)$

□ SU(3) Yang-Mills link variables: Two options

minimal option :  $U(2) \cong SU(2) \times U(1) \subset SU(3)$

Minimal case is derived for the Wilson loop, defined for quark in the fundamental representation, which follows from the **non-Abelian Stokes' theorem**

maximal option :  $U(1) \times U(1) \subset SU(3)$

Maximal case is a gauge invariant version of Abelian projection in the maximal Abelian (MA) gauge. (the maximal torus group)

# Dual Superconductivity in SU(3) Yang-Mills

## Abelian Dual superconductivity

- Abelian projection in MA gauge ::  
 $SU(3) \rightarrow U(1) \times U(1)$  (Maximal torus)
- Perfect Abelian dominance in string tension [Sakumichi-Suganuma ]

- Decomposition method
- **Maximal option** of a new formulation [ours]

Cho-Faddev-Niemi-Shavanov  
decomposition [N Cundy, Y.M. Cho et.al ]

## Non-Abelian Dual superconductivity

- Decomposition method
- **Minimal option:** (non-Abelian dual superconductivity) based on the U(2) stability sub-group.

we have showed in the series works

- ✓ V-field dominance, non-Abelian magnetic monopole dominance in string tension
- ✓ chromo-flux tube and dual Meissner effect,
- ✓ confinement/deconfinement phase transition in terms of dual Meissner effect at finite temperature

# minimal option: The decomposition of SU(3) link variable

$$W_C[U] := \text{Tr} \left[ P \prod_{\langle x, x+\mu \rangle \in C} U_{x,\mu} \right] / \text{Tr}(\mathbf{1})$$

$$U_{x,\mu} = X_{x,\mu} V_{x,\mu}$$

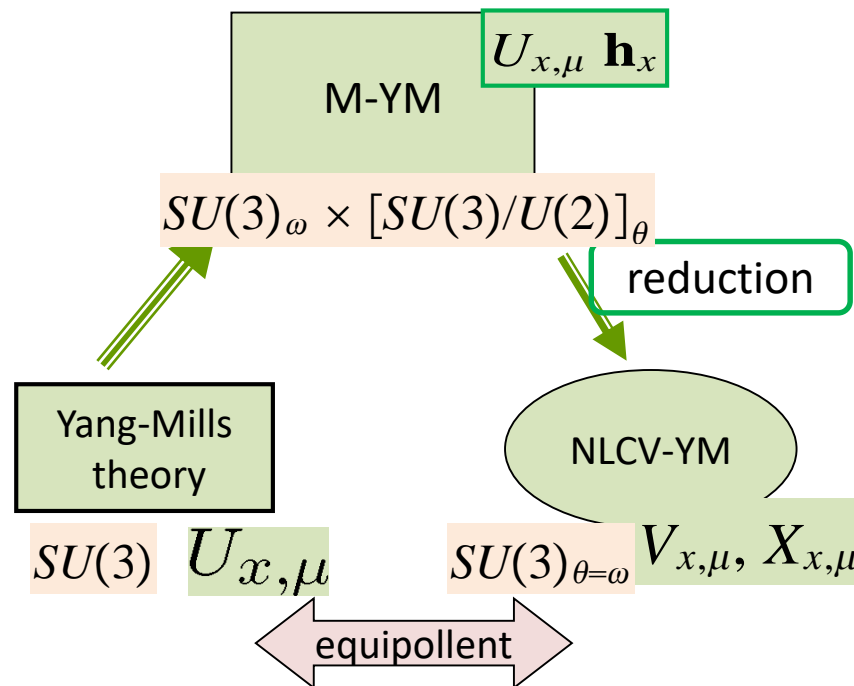
$$U_{x,\mu} \rightarrow U'_{x,\mu} = \Omega_x U_{x,\mu} \Omega_{x+\mu}^\dagger$$

$$V_{x,\mu} \rightarrow V'_{x,\mu} = \Omega_x V_{x,\mu} \Omega_{x+\mu}^\dagger$$

$$X_{x,\mu} \rightarrow X'_{x,\mu} = \Omega_x X_{x,\mu} \Omega_x^\dagger$$

$$\Omega_x \in G = SU(N)$$

$$W_C[V] := \text{Tr} \left[ P \prod_{\langle x, x+\mu \rangle \in C} V_{x,\mu} \right] / \text{Tr}(\mathbf{1})$$



$$W_C[U] = \text{const.} W_C[V] \quad !!$$

# Minimal option: Defining equation for the decomposition

Introducing a color field  $\mathbf{h}_x = \xi(\lambda^8/2)\xi^\dagger \in SU(3)/U(2)$  with  $\xi \in SU(3)$ , a set of the defining equation of decomposition  $U_{x,\mu} = X_{x,\mu}V_{x,\mu}$  is given by

$$D_\mu^\epsilon[V]\mathbf{h}_x = \frac{1}{\epsilon}(V_{x,\mu}\mathbf{h}_{x+\mu} - \mathbf{h}_x V_{x,\mu}) = 0,$$

$$g_x = e^{-2\pi q_x/N} \exp(-a_x^{(0)}\mathbf{h}_x - i \sum_{i=1}^3 a_x^{(i)} u_x^{(i)}) = 1,$$

which correspond to the continuum version of the decomposition,  $\mathcal{A}_\mu(x) = \mathcal{V}_\mu(x) + \mathcal{X}_\mu(x)$ ,

$$D_\mu[\mathcal{V}_\mu(x)]\mathbf{h}(x) = 0, \quad \text{tr}(\mathcal{X}_\mu(x)\mathbf{h}(x)) = 0.$$

Exact solution  
(N=3)

$$X_{x,\mu} = \hat{L}_{x,\mu}^\dagger (\det \hat{L}_{x,\mu})^{1/N} g_x^{-1} \quad V_{x,\mu} = X_{x,\mu}^\dagger U_x = g_x \hat{L}_{x,\mu} U_x (\det \hat{L}_{x,\mu})^{-1/N}$$

$$\hat{L}_{x,\mu} = \left( \sqrt{L_{x,\mu} L_{x,\mu}^\dagger} \right)^{-1} L_{x,\mu}$$

$$L_{x,\mu} = \frac{N^2 - 2N + 2}{N} \mathbf{1} + (N - 2) \sqrt{\frac{2(N - 2)}{N}} (\mathbf{h}_x + U_{x,\mu} \mathbf{h}_{x+\mu} U_{x,\mu}^{-1})$$

$$+ 4(N - 1) \mathbf{h}_x U_{x,\mu} \mathbf{h}_{x+\mu} U_{x,\mu}^{-1}$$

continuum limit

$$\mathbf{V}_\mu(x) = \mathbf{A}_\mu(x) - \frac{2(N-1)}{N} [\mathbf{h}(x), [\mathbf{h}(x), \mathbf{A}_\mu(x)]] - ig^{-1} \frac{2(N-1)}{N} [\partial_\mu \mathbf{h}(x), \mathbf{h}(x)],$$

$$\mathbf{X}_\mu(x) = \frac{2(N-1)}{N} [\mathbf{h}(x), [\mathbf{h}(x), \mathbf{A}_\mu(x)]] + ig^{-1} \frac{2(N-1)}{N} [\partial_\mu \mathbf{h}(x), \mathbf{h}(x)].$$



# Minimal option: Non-Abelian magnetic monopole

For Wilson loop in the fundamental representation

From the non-Abelian Stokes theorem and the Hodge decomposition, the magnetic monopole is derived **without using the Abelian projection**

$$\begin{aligned} W_C[\mathcal{A}] &= \int [d\mu(\xi)]_\Sigma \exp \left( -ig \int_{S:C \rightarrow \partial\Sigma} dS^{\mu\nu} \sqrt{\frac{N-1}{2N}} \text{tr}(2\mathbf{h}(x) \cdot \mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu}[\mathcal{V}](x)) \right) \\ &= \int [d\mu(\xi)]_\Sigma \exp \left( ig \sqrt{\frac{N-1}{2N}} (k, \Xi_\Sigma) + ig \sqrt{\frac{N-1}{2N}} (j, N_\Sigma) \right) \end{aligned}$$

magnetic current  $k := \delta^* F = {}^* dF$ ,  $\Xi_\Sigma := \delta^* \Theta_\Sigma \Delta^{-1}$

electric current  $j := \delta F$ ,  $N_\Sigma := \delta \Theta_\Sigma \Delta^{-1}$

$$\Delta = d\delta + \delta d, \quad \Theta_\Sigma := \int_\Sigma d^2 S^{\mu\nu}(\sigma(x)) \delta^D(x - x(\sigma))$$

$k$  and  $j$  are gauge invariant and conserved currents;  $\delta k = \delta j = 0$ .

**K.-I. Kondo**  
**PRD77**  
**085929(2008)**

**Note that field strength  $F[V]$  is described by V-field in the minimal option.**

The lattice version of magnetic monopole current is defined by using plaquette:

$$\Theta_{\mu\nu}^8 := -\arg \text{Tr} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{1} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \mathbf{h}_x \right) V_{x,\mu} V_{x+\mu,\mu} V_{x+\nu,\mu}^\dagger V_{x,\nu}^\dagger \right],$$

$$k_\mu = 2\pi n_\mu := \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \partial_\nu \Theta_{\alpha\beta}^8,$$

# maximal option: Defining equation for the decomposition

By introducing color fields  $\mathbf{n}_x^{(3)} = \Theta_x(\lambda^3/2)\Theta^\dagger$ ,  $\mathbf{n}_x^{(8)} = \Theta_x(\lambda^8/2)\Theta^\dagger$   
 $\in SU(3)_\omega \times [SU(3)/(U(1) \times U(1))]_\theta$ , a set of the defining equation for the  
 decomposition  $U_{x,\mu} = X_{x,\mu}V_{x,\mu}$  is given by

$$D_\mu^\varepsilon[V]n_x^{(k)} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}(V_{x,\mu}n_{x+\mu}^{(k)} - n_x^{(k)}V_{x,\mu}) = 0, \quad (k = 3, 8)$$

$$g_x = \exp(2\pi i n/N) \exp(i \sum_{j=3,8} a^{(j)} n_x^{(j)}) = 1$$

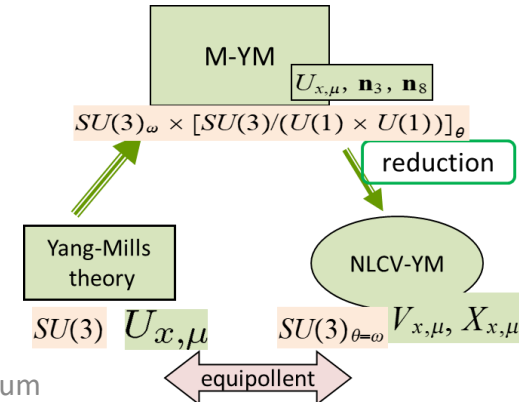
Corresponding to the continuum version of the decomposition  $\mathcal{A}_\mu(x) = V_\mu(x) + \mathcal{X}_\mu(x)$   
 $D_\mu[V_\mu]\mathbf{n}^{(k)}(x) = 0, \quad \text{tr}(\mathbf{n}^{(k)}(x)\mathcal{X}_\mu(x)) = 0, \quad (k = 3, 8)$

$$X_{x,\mu} = \hat{K}_{x,\mu}^\dagger \det(K_{x,\mu})^{1/3} g_x^{-1}, \quad V_{x,\mu} = g_x \hat{K}_{x,\mu} \det(K_{x,\mu})^{-1/3}$$

where

$$\hat{K}_{x,\mu} := \left( \sqrt{K_{x,\mu} K_{x,\mu}^\dagger} \right)^{-1} K_{x,\mu}, \quad \hat{K}_{x,\mu}^\dagger = K_{x,\mu}^\dagger \left( \sqrt{K_{x,\mu} K_{x,\mu}^\dagger} \right)^{-1}$$

$$K_{x,\mu} = 1 + 6\mathbf{n}_x^{(3)} U_{x,\mu} \mathbf{n}_{x+\mu}^{(3)} U_{x,\mu}^\dagger + 6\mathbf{n}_x^{(8)} U_{x,\mu} \mathbf{n}_{x+\mu}^{(8)} U_{x,\mu}^\dagger$$



# Reduction condition

- The decomposition is uniquely determined for a given set of link variables  $U_{x,\mu}$  and color fields which is given by minimizing the reduction condition.
- The reduction condition is introduced such that the theory in terms of new variables is equipollent to the original Yang-Mills theory, i.e., defining an effective theory, i.e., gauge-Higgs model whose kinetic term is given by the reduction condition

for given  $U_{x,\mu}$

$$F[\Theta; U] = \begin{cases} \sum_{x,\mu} \text{tr} \left[ \sum_{j=3,8} (D_\mu^\epsilon[U] \mathbf{n}^{(j)})^\dagger (D_\mu^\epsilon[U] \mathbf{n}^{(j)}) \right] & \text{MAG (maximal)} \\ \sum_{x,\mu} \text{tr} \left[ (D_\mu^\epsilon[U] \mathbf{n}^{(8)})^\dagger (D_\mu^\epsilon[U] \mathbf{n}^{(8)}) \right] & \text{n8 (minimal)} \end{cases}$$

where  $\mathbf{n}_j := \Theta^\dagger H_j \Theta$ ,  $H_j$  Cartan generators, and  $D_\mu^\epsilon[U] \mathbf{n}^{(j)} := U_{x,\mu} \mathbf{n}_{x+\mu}^{(j)} - \mathbf{n}_x^{(j)} U_{x,\mu}$

# Maximal option with the MA reduction as gauge invariant version of Abelian projection in the Maximal Abelian gauge

**MA reduction condition** is rewritten into the gauge fixing of maximal Abelian gauge.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{MA}[\Theta; U] &= \sum_{x,\mu} \text{tr} \left[ \sum_{j=3,8} (D_\mu^\epsilon[U] \mathbf{n}^{(j)})^\dagger (D_\mu^\epsilon[U] \mathbf{n}^{(j)}) \right] = \sum_{x,\mu} \left[ 2 - 2 \sum_{j=3,8} \text{tr}(U_{x,\mu}^\dagger \mathbf{n}_x^{(j)} U_{x,\mu} \mathbf{n}_{x+\mu}^{(j)}) \right] \\
 &= \sum_{x,\mu} \left[ 2 - 2 \sum_{j=3,8} \text{tr} \left( [\Theta_x U_{x,\mu}^\dagger \Theta_x^\dagger] \frac{\lambda_j}{2} [\Theta_{x+\mu} U_{x,\mu} \Theta_{x+\mu}^\dagger] \frac{\lambda_j}{2} \right) \right] = \sum_{x,\mu} (2 - F_{MAG}[\Theta; U])
 \end{aligned}$$

Decomposition for maximal option id given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_{x,\mu} &= U_{x,\mu} + 6\mathbf{n}_x^{(3)} U_{x,\mu} \mathbf{n}_{x+\mu}^{(3)} + 6\mathbf{n}_x^{(8)} U_{x,\mu} \mathbf{n}_{x+\mu}^{(8)} = \Theta_x \left[ \Theta^\dagger U_{x,\mu} + 6 \frac{\lambda_3}{2} \Theta^\dagger U_{x,\mu} \frac{\lambda_3}{2} + 6 \frac{\lambda_8}{2} \Theta^\dagger U_{x,\mu} \frac{\lambda_8}{2} \right] \Theta_{x+\mu}^\dagger \\
 &= \Theta_x [\text{diag}(\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{11}, \Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{22}, \Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{33}, )] \Theta_{x+\mu}^\dagger
 \end{aligned}$$

$$V_{x,\mu} = (K_{x,\mu} K_{x,\mu}^\dagger)^{-1/2} K_{x,\mu} (\det K_{x,\mu})^{-1/3} = \text{diag} \left( \frac{\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{11}}{|\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{11}|}, \frac{\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{22}}{|\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{22}|}, \frac{\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{33}}{|\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{33}|} \right) \left( \frac{\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{11}}{|\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{11}|} \times \frac{\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{22}}{|\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{22}|} \times \frac{\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{33}}{|\Theta^\dagger u_{x,\mu}^{33}|} \right)^{-1/3}$$

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- Polyakov loops for Yang-Mills and restricted field
  - Distribution of Polyakov loop values
  - Polyakov loop average and center symmetry breaking/restoration
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# Polyakov loop

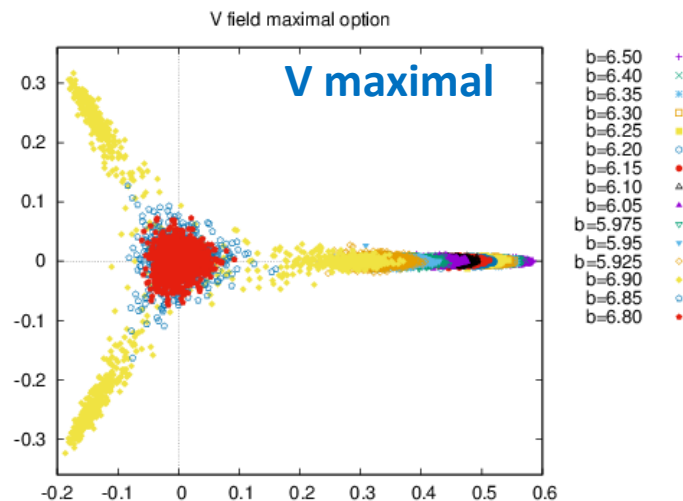
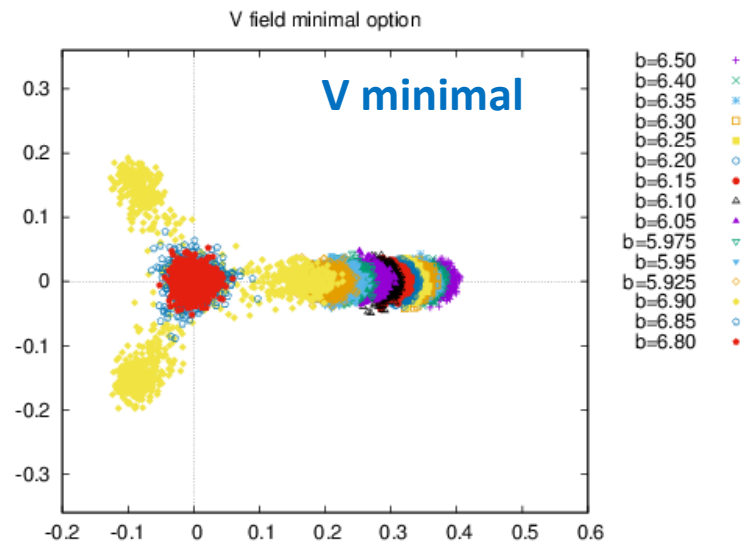
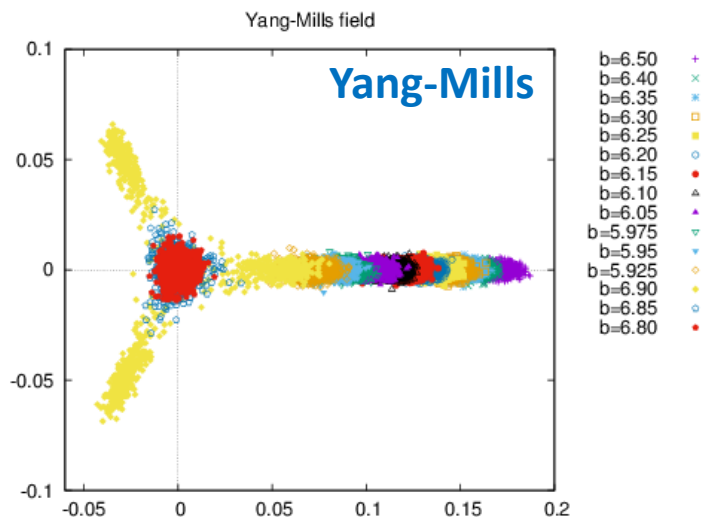
$$P_U(x) := \text{tr} \left( \prod_{t=1}^{N_T} U_{(x,t),4} \right) \quad \text{for YM field}$$

$$P_V(x) := \text{tr} \left( \prod_{t=1}^{N_T} V_{(x,t),4} \right) \quad \text{for restricted field}$$

- Distribution of Polyakov loop values
- Polyakov loop average
  - ✓ center symmetry breaking/restoration
  - ✓ confinement/deconfinement phase transition

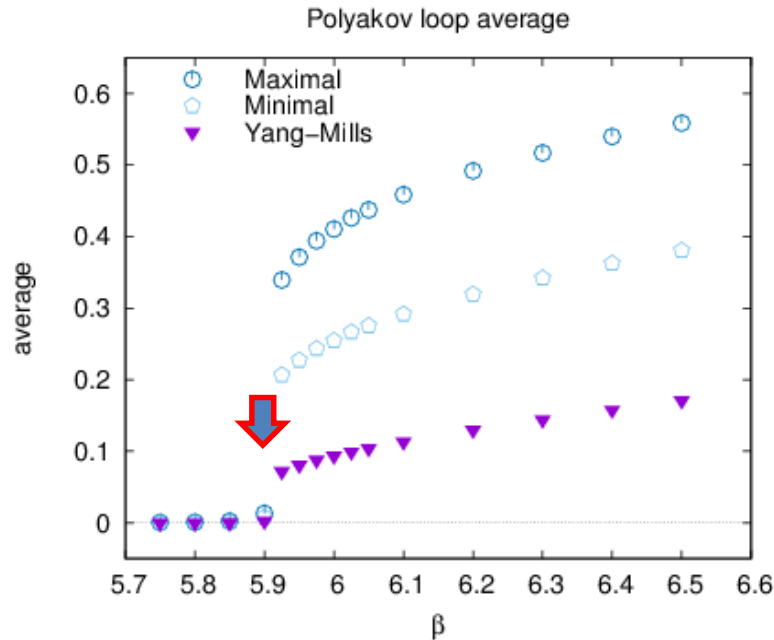
# Distribution of Polyakov loop values

$24^3 \times 6$  lattice  
temperature for various  $\beta$

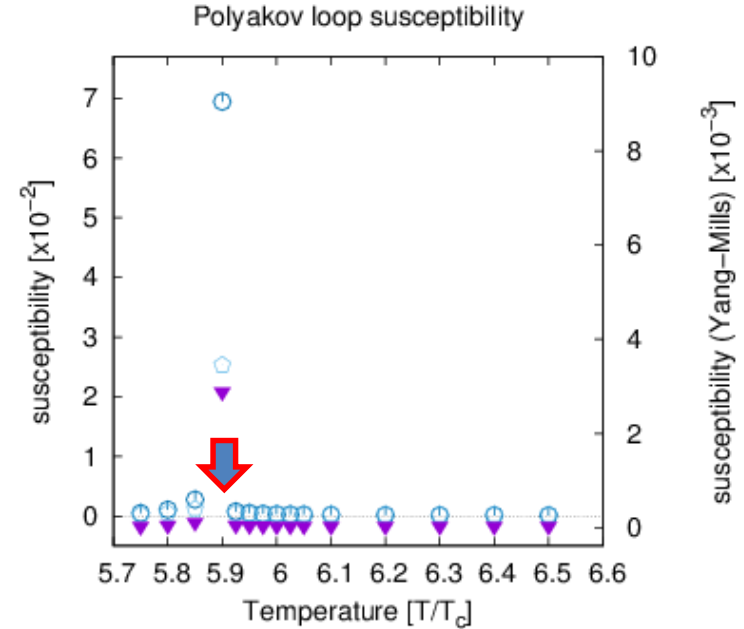


# Polyakov loop average and center symmetry

## Polyakov loop average



## susceptibility



Magnitude of Polyakov-loop average is different, but gives **the same phase transition temperature ( $\beta$ )**.

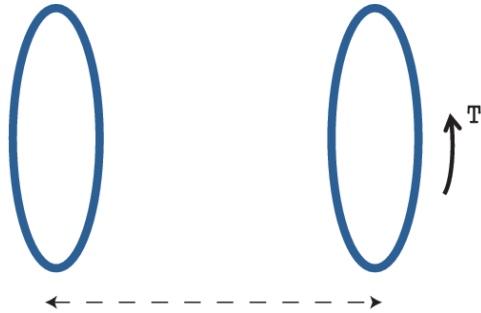


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# Static potential of quark and antiquark

Correlation function of Polyakov loop



$$\tilde{V}(R; U) = -\log \langle P_U(x) P_U^\dagger(y) \rangle$$

$$\tilde{V}(R; V) = -\log \langle P_V(x) P_V^\dagger(y) \rangle$$

$$\langle P_U(\vec{x}) P_U^*(\vec{y}) \rangle$$

$$\simeq e^{-F_{q\bar{q}}/T} = \frac{1}{N_c^2} e^{-F^{(S)}/T} + \frac{N_c^2 - 1}{N_c^2} e^{-F^{(A)}/T}$$

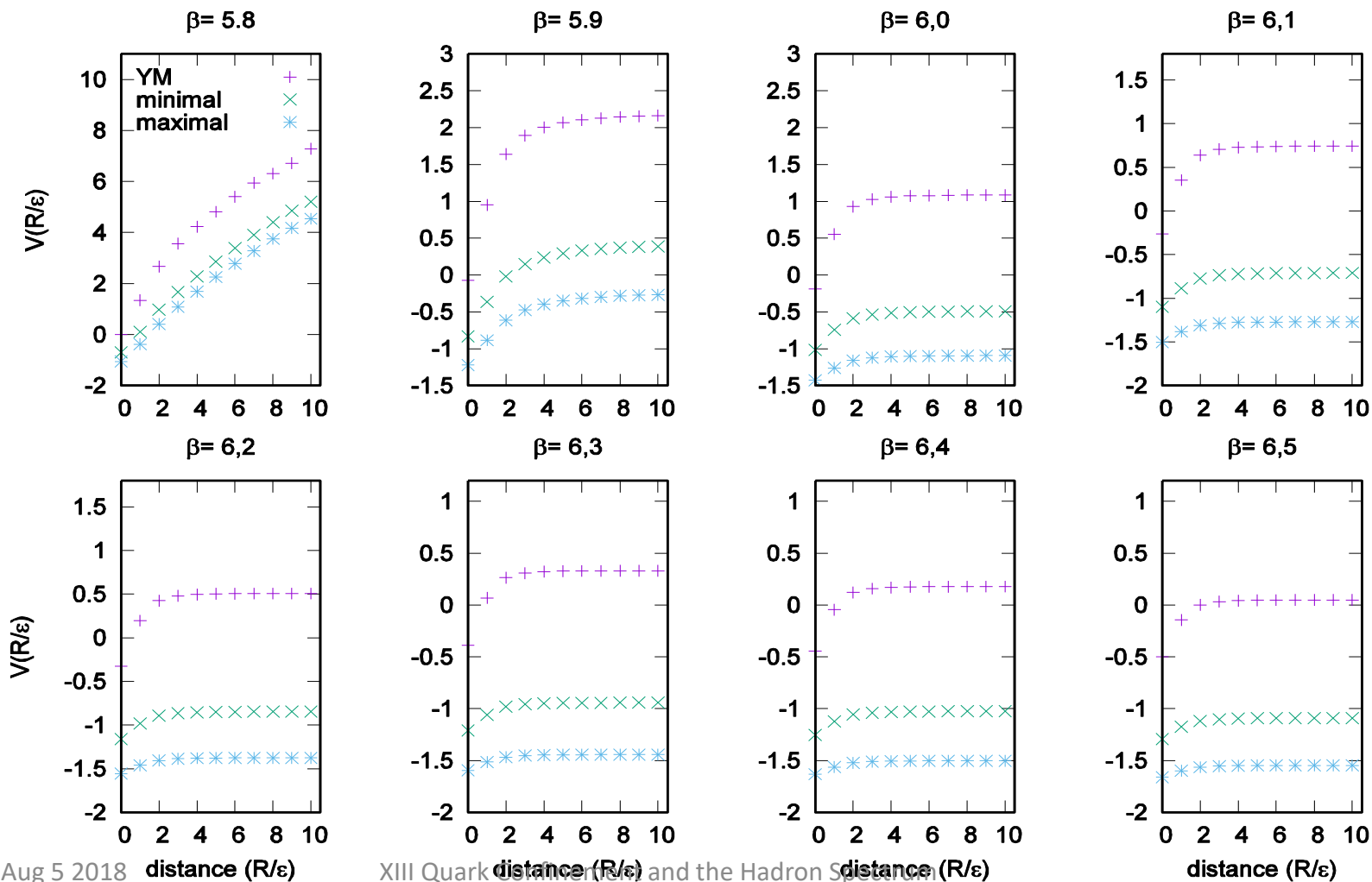
Wilson loop



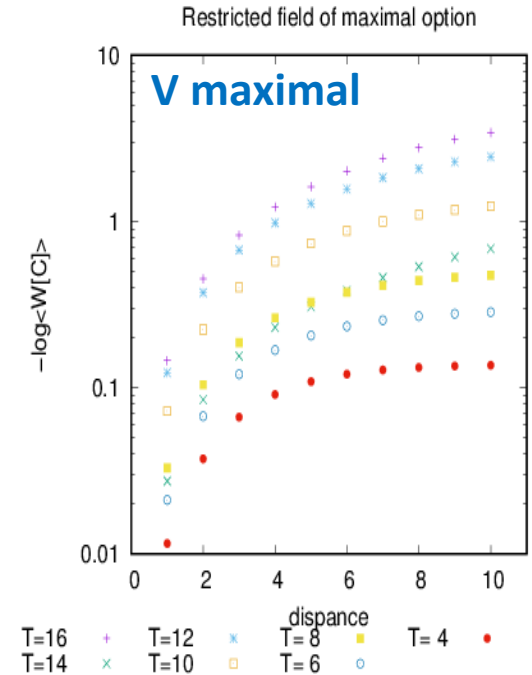
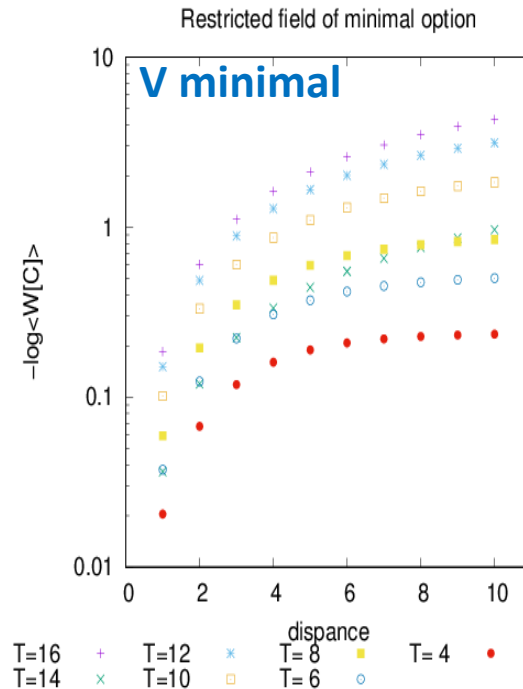
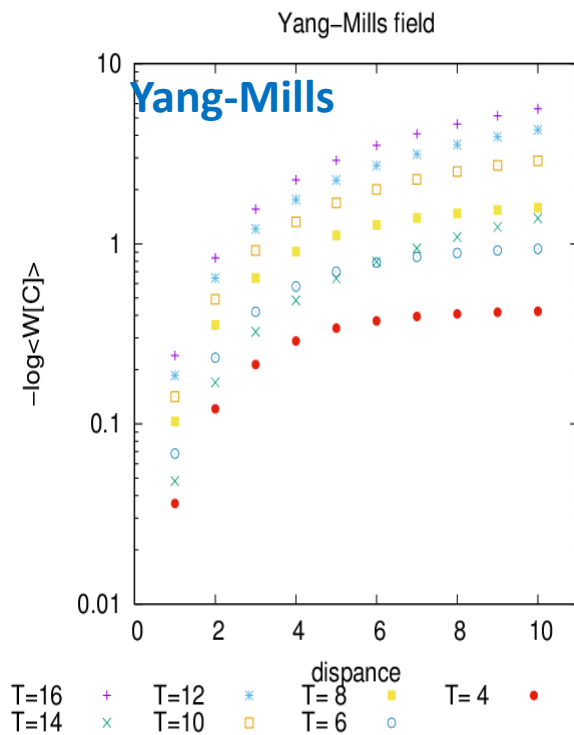
$$V(R; U) = -\log \langle W[U] \rangle$$

$$V(R; V) = -\log \langle W[V] \rangle$$

# static potential (correlation function of Polyakov loops )



# Static potential by Wilson loop



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# Chromo flux

We exploit the operator proposed by Giacomo et.al. to measure “flux”.

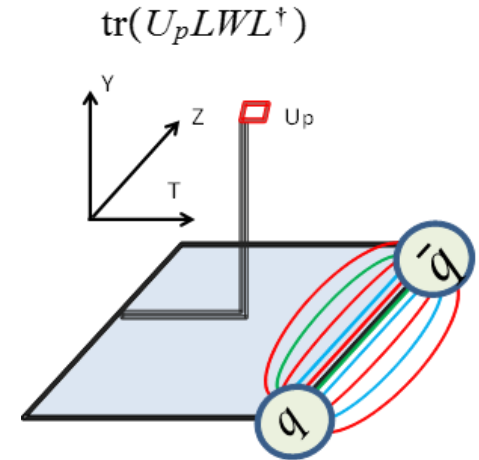
Adriano Di Giacomo et.al [PLB236:199,1990][NPB347:441-460,1990]

P. Cea, et al., PRD86 054501 (2012)

$$\rho_W := \frac{\langle \text{tr}(W[U]L_U U_p L_U^\dagger) \rangle}{\langle \text{tr}(W[U]) \rangle} - \frac{1}{\text{tr}(\mathbf{1})} \frac{\langle \text{tr}(W[U]) \text{tr}(U_p) \rangle}{\langle \text{tr}(W[U]) \rangle}$$

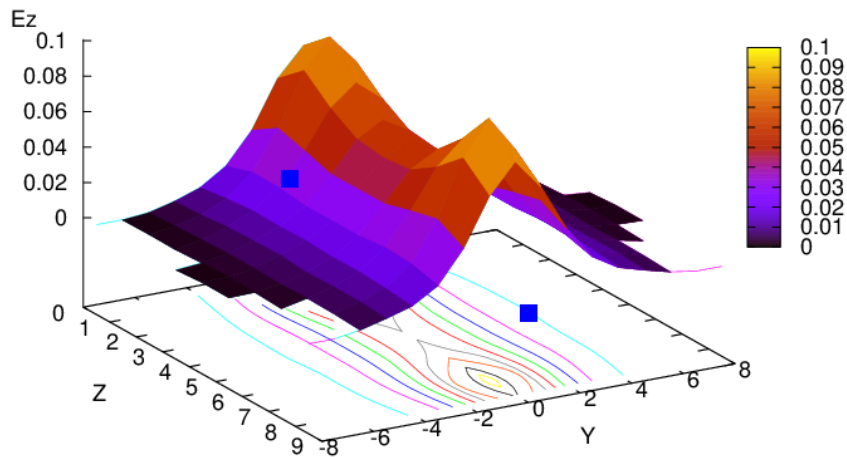
In the continuum limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\rho_W$  reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_W &= i g \epsilon^2 \frac{\langle \text{tr}(\mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu}[\mathcal{A}] L_U^\dagger W[U] L_U) \rangle}{\langle \text{tr}(W[U]) \rangle} + o(\epsilon^4) \\ &=: i g \epsilon^2 F_{\mu\nu}|_{q\bar{q}} \end{aligned}$$

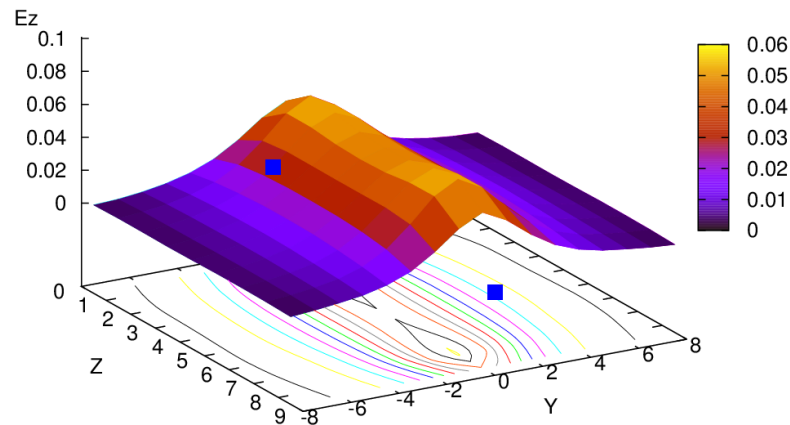


# Chromoelectric flux tubes at zero temperature

## Full Yang-Mills



## Restricted field V in minimal option

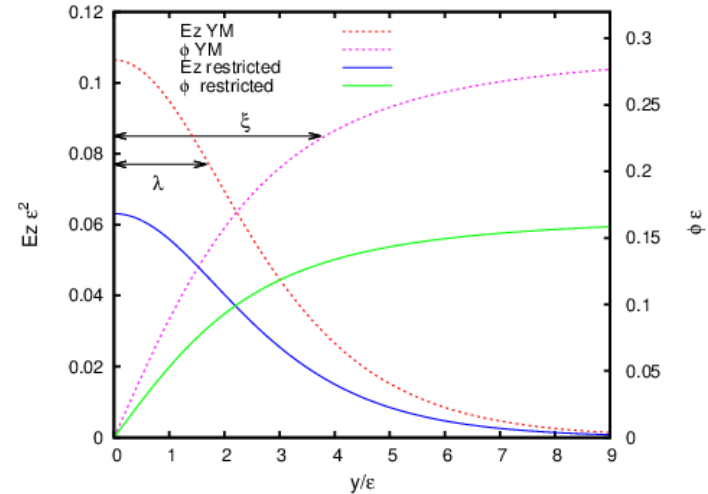
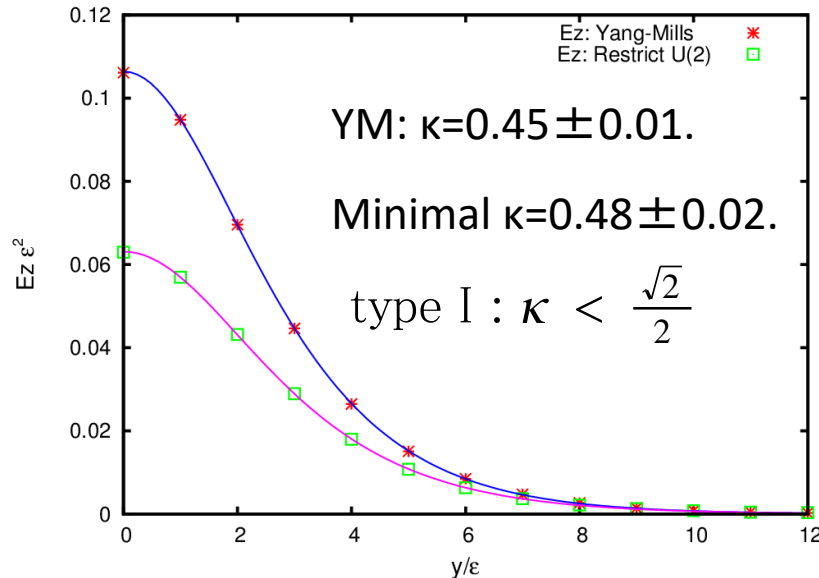


# Dual Meissner effect and type of vacuum

## Clem's method

## GL parameter

$$\kappa = \sqrt{2} \frac{\lambda}{\xi} \sqrt{1 - K_0^2(\zeta/\lambda)/K_1^2(\zeta/\lambda)}$$

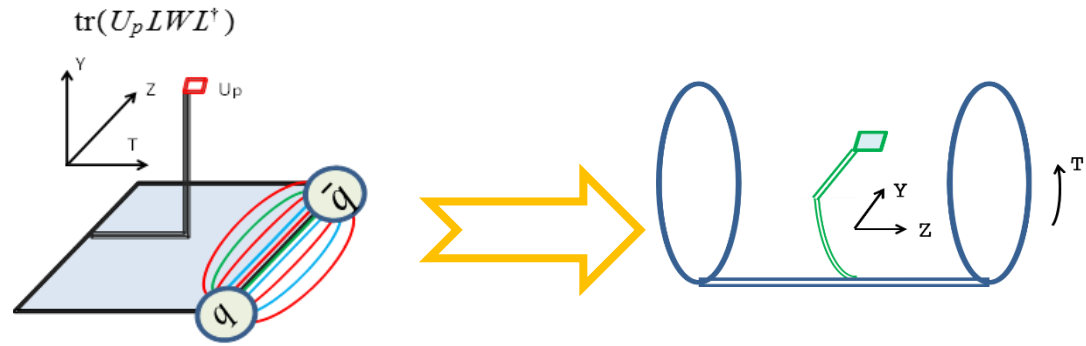


Using U(1) model and Ansatz for scalar field. [For improved method \[Poster\]](#)



# Measurement of chromo flux at finite temperature

$$\rho_W = \frac{\langle \text{tr}(WLU_pL^\dagger) \rangle}{\langle \text{tr}(W) \rangle} - \frac{1}{N} \frac{\langle \text{tr}(W) \text{tr}(U_p) \rangle}{\langle \text{tr}(W) \rangle}$$

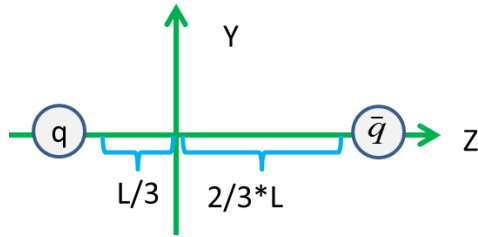


❑ Using the same operator with that of zero temperature.

❑ Size of Wilson loop T-direction =  $Nt$

➔ The source of quark and antiquark are given by **Polyakov loops** connecting by Wilson line.

❑ The three types of probes and compare them.

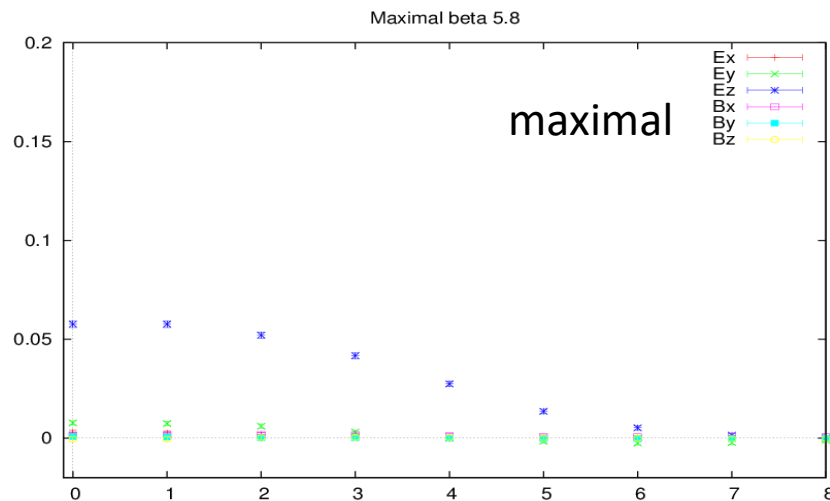
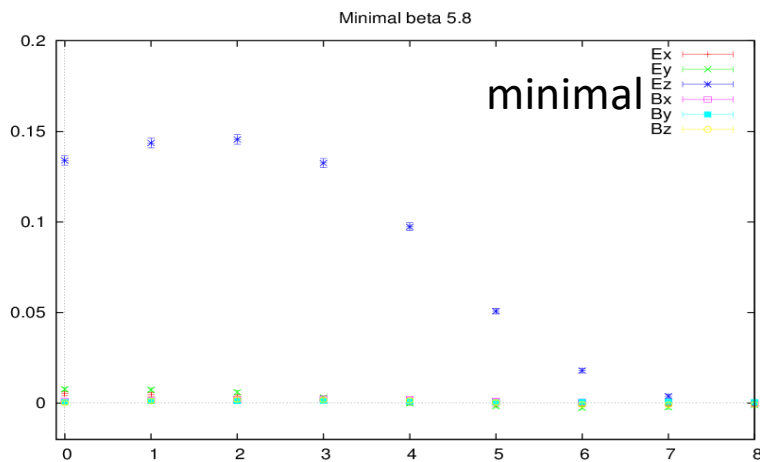
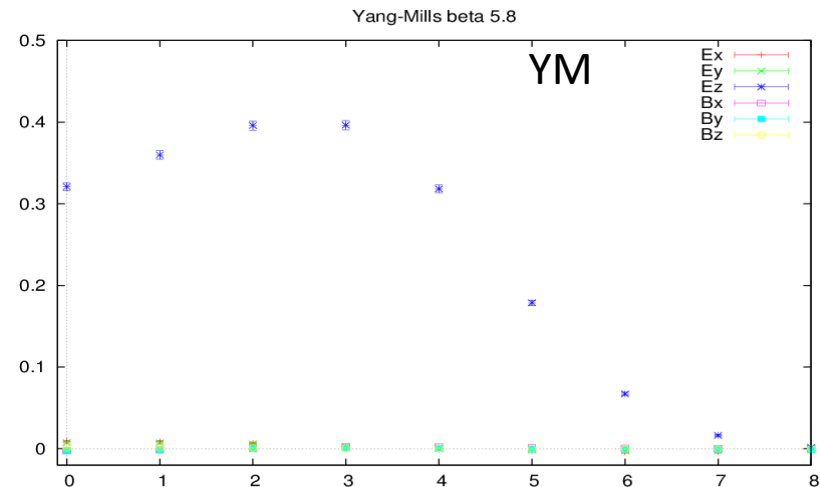


$$O^{[YM]} = L[U]U_pL[U]^{-1} \quad :: \text{original YM}$$

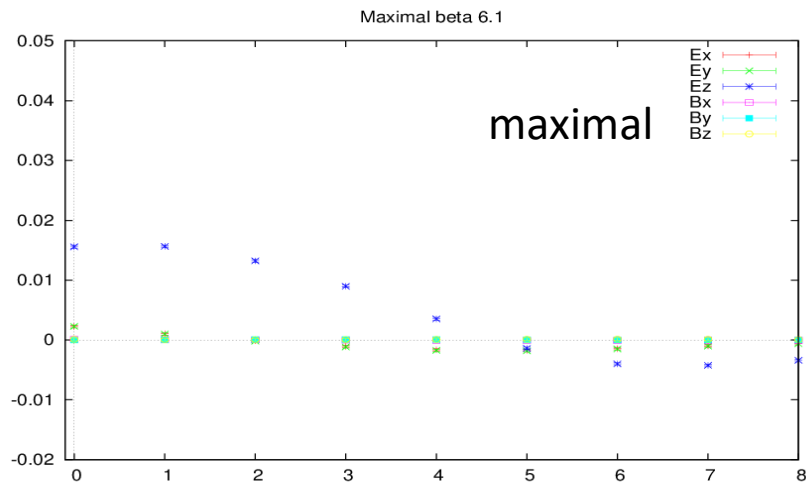
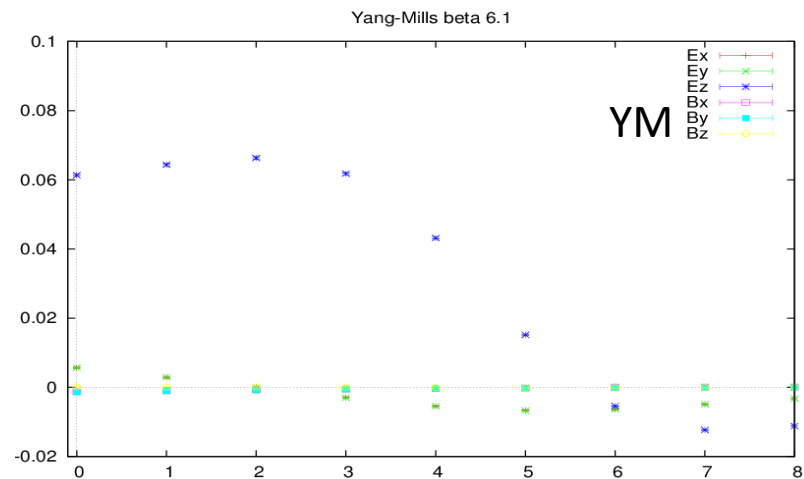
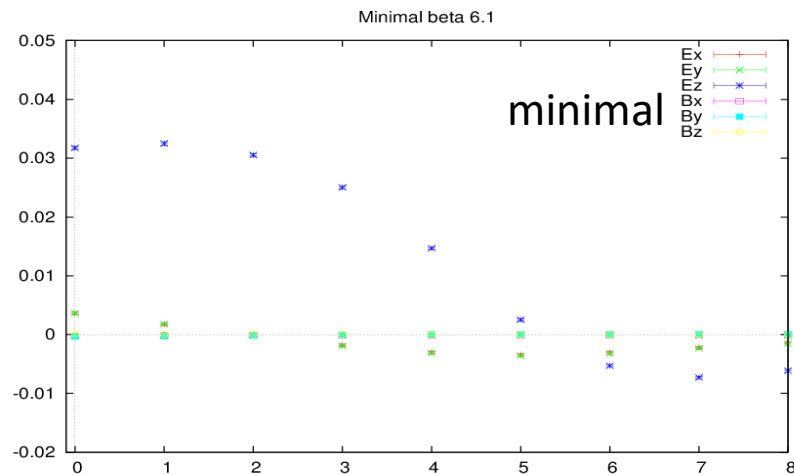
$$O^{[nin]} = L[V^{[\min]}]V_p^{[\min]}L[V^{[\min]}]^{-1} \quad :: V \text{ field in minimal option}$$

$$O^{[max]} = L[V^{[\max]}]V_p^{[\max]}L[V^{[\max]}]^{-1} \quad :: V \text{ field in maximal option}$$

# Chromo flux in confining phase



# Chromo flux in deconfining phase

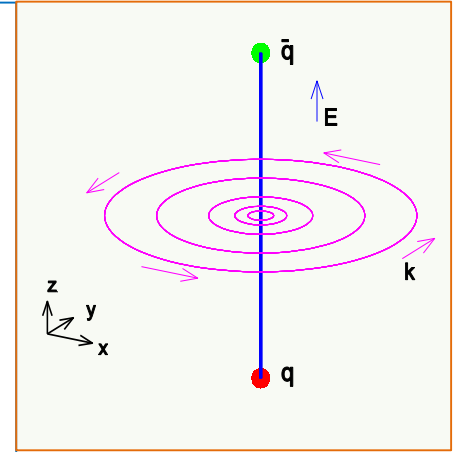


# Induced magnetic (monopole) current and confinement/deconfinement phase transition

Yang–Mills equation (Maxell equation) for restricted field  $V_\mu$ , the magnetic current (monopole) can be calculated as

$$k = \delta^* F[V] = {}^* dF[V],$$

where  $F[V]$  is the field strength of  $V$ ,  $d$  exterior derivative,  $*$  the Hodge dual and  $\delta$  the coderivative  $\delta := {}^* d^*$ , respectively.

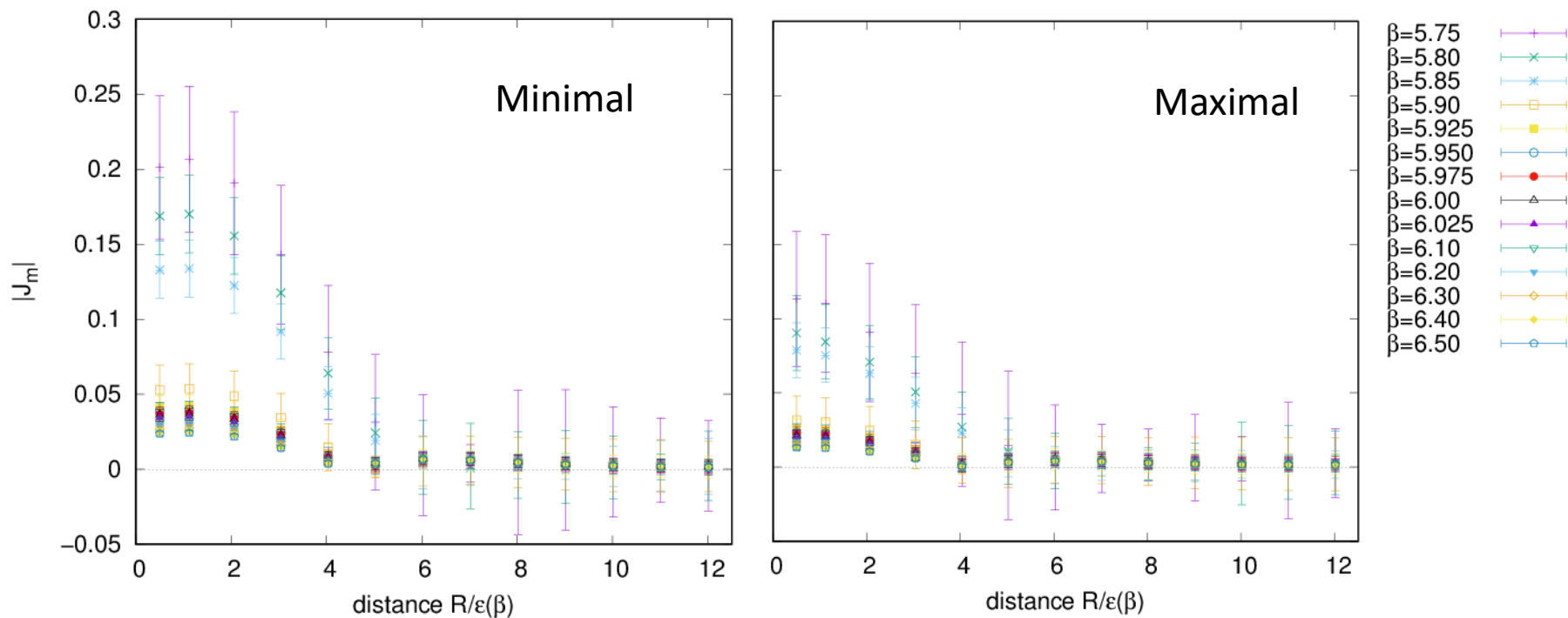


The magnetic current  $k$  *must* be **zero** for regular function **due to Bianchi Identity**.

Non zero  $k$  suggests the monopole condensation

Induced The magnetic current (monopole)  $k$  can be a **order parameter** of the dual Meissner effect.

# Phase transition of the dual Meissner effect



The amplitude of induced magnetic current sharply decreases toward the critical point( $\beta=5.9$ )

# Summary

- ❑ We investigate the confinement/deconfinement phase transition in view of the dual superconductivity in  $SU(3)$  YM theory by using the new formulation.
- ❑ The restricted fields in both options reproduce the profile of Yang-Mills field in both confinement/deconfinement phases
  - The critical temperature of the center symmetry breaking is the exactly same for the restricted fields and Yang-Mills theory.
  - The static potential (string tension) of YM field is reproduced by V-fields
- ❑ Confinement/deconfinement phase transition is observed due to the phase transition of the dual Meissner effect.
  - The appearance/disappearance of the magnetic (monopole) currents according to the phase transition.
- ❑ The critical point of the center symmetry breaking and the critical point of the the dual Meissner effect is almost same.

**BACKUP**

# Chromo flux probe by the restricted field (1)

Replacing the Yang–Mills field  $U$  by the restricted field  $V$  to define the operator for the restricted field

$$\rho_W := \frac{\langle \text{tr}(W[V] L_V V_p L_V^\dagger) \rangle}{\langle \text{tr}(W[V]) \rangle} - \frac{1}{\text{tr}(\mathbf{1})} \frac{\langle \text{tr}(W[V]) \text{tr}(V_p) \rangle}{\langle \text{tr}(W[V]) \rangle}$$

For the **maximal option**,  $V$  obey the identity

$$V_p = \frac{\text{tr}(V_p)}{\text{tr}(\mathbf{1})} \mathbf{1} + 2 \sum_{J=3,8} \text{tr}(V_p \mathbf{n}^{(j)}) \mathbf{n}^{(j)}$$

by using color fields,  $\mathbf{n}^{(j)}$  ( $j = 3, 8$ ). The fact that color fields and the restricted field commute covariantly by construction (defining equation):

$$\mathbf{n}^{(j)} V_p = V_p \mathbf{n}^{(j)} \quad (j = 3, 8)$$

yields the expression free from the Schwinger line  $L_V$  and  $L_V^\dagger$ :

$$\rho_W := 2 \sum_{J=3,8} \frac{\langle \text{tr}(W[V] \mathbf{n}^{(j)}) \text{tr}(V_p \mathbf{n}^{(j)}) \rangle}{\langle \text{tr}(W[V]) \rangle}$$



# Chromo flux probe by the restricted field(2)

$$\rho_W := 2 \sum_{J=3,8} \frac{\langle \text{tr}(W[V] \mathbf{n}^{(j)}) (\text{tr}(V_p \mathbf{n}^{(j)})) \rangle}{\langle \text{tr}(W[V]) \rangle}$$

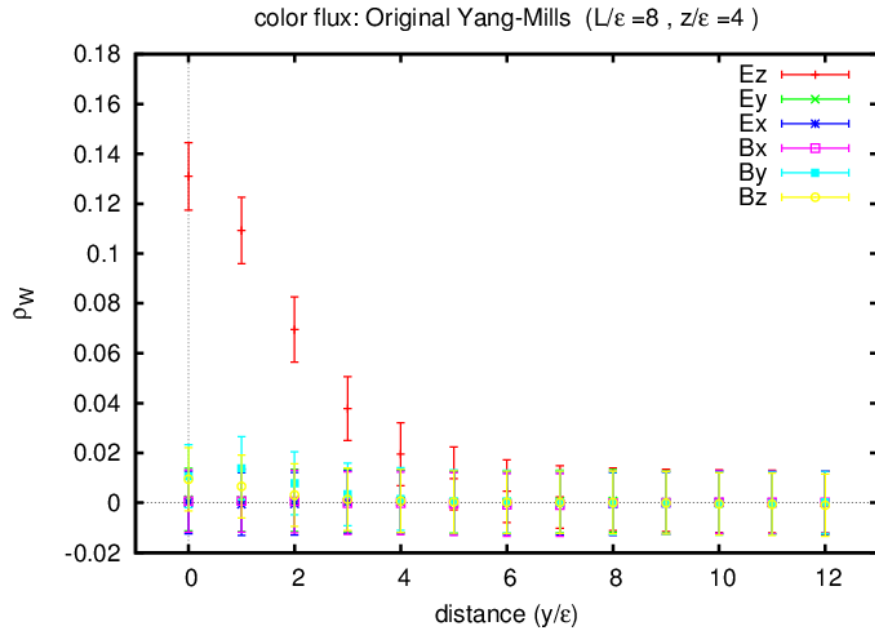
In the continuum limit,  $(\text{tr}(V_p \mathbf{n}^{(j)}))$  reduces to the gauge invariant field strength  $\mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu}[\mathcal{V}](y) \cdot \mathbf{n}^{(j)}(y)$  at the probe. Therefore,  $\rho_W$  measures the chromofield strength for the restricted “Abelian” part of the gauge field.

There could exist a color singlet contribution in  $(\text{tr}(V_p \mathbf{n}^{(j)}))$  as a functional of  $U$ , i.e.,  $n_z = n_z[U]$ , because the color field is determined by minimizing the reduction functional.

**$\rho_W$  is at least meaningful operator to measure the restricted field strength in the gauge-invariant way.**

# chromo flux at zero temperature

## Full Yang-Mills field



## Restricted field in minimal option

