# Yang Mills short distance potential and perturbation theory

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perturbative potential enters predictions of e+ecross-section across t-tbar `threshold' —> top quark mass at linear collider



#### Advantages

- 4-loop PT (4-loop beta-function) available, (normally only 3-loop)
- relatively simple observable (no fermions ...)

#### Disadvantages

 infrared divergences, starting at 4-loop, resummation with pNRQCD techniques

or US - scale 
$$\alpha(1/r), \alpha(\mu_{\rm US}), \quad \mu_{\rm US} \sim \frac{C_{\rm A}\alpha}{2r}$$

- T(loop) —>  $\infty$  limit, noise
- Discretisation errors at small r, window problem

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 $\alpha^{4+k} [\log(\alpha)]^k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$ 



- Precision, study of systematic effects
- Comparisons: two recent determinations of  $\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$ 
  - FlowQCD:  $w_0 \Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}} = 0.2154(12)$ converted (by us):  $\sqrt{8t_0} \Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}} = 0.5968(33)$

from boosted coupling, contin. extrapolation  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$  with  $a^2$ perturbative uncertainty?

Dalla Brida and Ramos, 2019:

NP step scaling down to  $\alpha_{\rm SF} < 0.1$ 



 $\sqrt{8t_0} \Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}} = 0.6227(98)$ 



conversion is very precise



### Scales, lattices

L/a=32, ... 192, L=2fm (big enough in YM), open BC (no topology freezing)







# Strategy to get to small r (see also arXiv:1711.01860)

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• Tree-level improved force,  $r_{\rm I}$  such that

$$F_{\text{TI}}(r_{\text{I}}) = \frac{1}{a} [V(r+a) - V(r)] = \frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha}{r_{\text{I}}^2} + O(\alpha^2)$$

• Tree-level improved force with  $a^2$  improved derivative:

$$F_{n}(r_{n}) = \frac{1}{a}[V(r+a) - V(r)] = \frac{1}{a}[V(r_{n}+a/2) - V(r_{n}-a/2)], \quad r_{n} = r+a/2$$

$$F_{impr}(r_{n}) = \frac{13}{12}F_{n}(r_{n}) - \frac{1}{24}[F_{n}(r_{n}+a) + F_{n}(r_{n}-a)]$$

$$(\tilde{r}_{I})^{-2} = \frac{13}{12}(r_{I}(r))^{-2} - \frac{1}{24}[(r_{I}(r+a))^{-2} + (r_{I}(r-a))^{-2}]$$

$$\alpha_{qq}(1/r,a) = \alpha_{qq}(1/r,0) \left\{ 1 + (a/r)^{2} \left[\alpha(1/a)\right]^{-\hat{\gamma}_{0}} A_{1}(r) \left[1 + O([\alpha(1/a)]^{-\Delta\hat{\gamma}})\right] \right\} + O(a^{4})$$

$$A_{i}(r) = \bar{A}_{i}\alpha(1/r)^{1+\hat{\gamma}_{i}}[1 + O(\alpha(1/r)]].$$

$$-\hat{\gamma}_{0} = 7/11 = 0.686$$

smallest eigenvalue of 1-loop anomalous dimension matrix of Symanzik EFT d=6 operator basis [new, talk by N. Husung]





Large r region (r > 0.1fm)



• Gradient flow: log-corrections to  $a^2$  not yet known.











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$$\rho_i = \rho(\alpha_i), \quad \rho(\alpha) = \alpha^{(2-7/11)} \times [\rho^{(0)} + \rho^{(1)}\alpha + \rho^{(2)}\alpha^2]$$

(4) use fitted slope function  $\rho(\alpha)$  in  $\Sigma(\alpha, s, a/r) = \sigma(\alpha, s) + (a/sr)^2 [\alpha(1/a)]^{7/11} \rho(\alpha)$ for all  $\alpha$  in range





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# standard derivative $(\gamma_0 = 0)$

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# Results (from 2-stage continuum limit, improved derivative)





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### **Λ - parameter**

• 
$$\Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}}$$
 from  $\Lambda_{qq}$  locally ( $\alpha_{qq}$  by  $\alpha_{qq}$ )  

$$\Lambda = \mu \left( b_0 \overline{g}(\mu)^2 \right)^{-b_1/(2b_0^2)} e^{-1/(2b_0 \overline{g}(\mu)^2)} e^{-1/(2b_0 \overline{g}(\mu)$$

$$\beta_{3-\text{loop}}(g) = -g^{3} [b_{0} + b_{1}g^{2} + b_{2}g^{4}]$$
4-loop:  $+b_{3}g^{6} + b_{3L}g^{6} \log(\alpha)$ 
4-loop LL:  $+b_{4L}g^{8}\log(\alpha) + b_{4LL}g^{8}[\log(\alpha)]^{2}$ 

computed from

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 $\gamma_0 = 7/11$ 

# $a^2$ improved derivative



#### standard derivative





- Continuum limit with known leading first log-correction to  $a^2$  scaling  $a^2 \left[ \alpha(1/a) \right]^{7/11}$
- Semiquantitative agreement with perturbation theory is convincing for distances below 0.1 fm
- Precision test of PT is very difficult
  - do known US contributions apply / help for accessible lpha ?
  - can continuum limit be controlled sufficiently well?
  - uncertainty in  $\Lambda$  very difficult to assess even with a=0.01 fm lattice





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