

# Spectral quantities in thermal QCD: a progress report

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# Spectral features

many questions have been/are being addressed

- hadronic phase: thermal broadening, mass shift
- QGP: deconfinement/dissolution/melting
- quarkonia survival as thermometer
- transport: conductivity/dileptons from vector current
- chiral symmetry restoration
- baryons, hyperons
- . . .

# Lattice QCD

specific challenges for lattice QCD (at finite temperature)

- high precision
- dynamical quarks,  $N_f = 2 + 1$
- inversion, from  $G(\tau)$  to  $\rho(\omega)$
- many time slices: anisotropic  $\xi = a_s/a_\tau > 1$
- continuum limit, physical quark masses, large volume
- . . .

# Outline

- status report of FASTSUM collaboration
- outline of what we do/want/desire

new:

- towards physical light quarks
- $\mathcal{O}(\mu^2)$  corrections to mesonic correlators

everything is **preliminary**, time is scarce...

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# Ensembles

anisotropic lattices, towards continuum limit with physical quarks

1. continuum time limit  $a_\tau \rightarrow 0$ ,  $a_s$  fixed,  $\xi = a_s/a_\tau \rightarrow \infty$
2. continuum limit,  $a_s, a_\tau \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\xi = a_s/a_\tau$  fixed
3. physical quarks,  $m_q \rightarrow m_{ud}$ ,  $m_s$  physical

current status:

- working on point 3, at fixed  $a_\tau^{-1} \approx 6$  GeV and  $\xi \approx 3.5$

these are Generation 2 ensembles

GA, Glesaaen, Jäger et al, Lattice 2018 [arXiv:1812.08151 [hep-lat]]

# Ensembles

- $N_f = 2 + 1$  Wilson-clover fermions  
Symanzik-improved anisotropic gauge action with tree-level mean-field coefficients and a mean-field-improved Wilson clover fermion action with stout-smearred links
- tuning and ensembles at the lowest temperatures have been provided by HadSpec
- lattice details for the Generation 2 and 2L ensembles

	$a_s$ [fm]	$a_\tau$ [fm]	$a_\tau^{-1}$ [GeV]	$\xi = a_s/a_\tau$	$N_s$	$m_\pi$ [MeV]	$m_\pi L$
Gen 2	0.1227(8)	0.0350(2)	5.63(4)	3.5	24	384(4)	5.7
Gen 2L	0.1136(6)	0.0330(2)	5.997(34)	3.453(6)	32	236(2)	4.3

- fixed scale approach: vary temperature by varying  $N_\tau$



# Ensembles

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$T$ [MeV]	44	141	156	176	201	235	281	352
$T/T_c$	0.24	0.76	0.84	0.95	1.09	1.27	1.52	1.90
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Gen 2 ensembles, lattice size  $24^3 \times N_\tau$

$N_\tau$	256*	128	64	56	48	40	36
$T$ [MeV]	23	47	94	107	125	150	167
$N_{\text{cfg}}$	750	300	500	500	500	500	500
$N_\tau$	32	28	24	20	16	12	8
$T$ [MeV]	187	214	250	300	375	500	750
$N_{\text{cfg}}$	500	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000

Gen 2L ensembles, lattice size  $32^3 \times N_\tau$

the lower temperatures with  $N_{\text{cfg}} = 500$  are currently upgraded to 1000

# Observables

Gen 2:

- bottomonium
- conductivity/diffusion coefficient
- $D$  mesons
- baryons/hyperons
- finite  $\mu$  corrections (Liang-Kai Wu, Aleksandr Nikolaev – in progress)

Gen 2L:

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- bottomonium (Seyong Kim – in progress)
  - mesons (Sergio Chaves – in progress)
  - (charmed) baryons (Ben Jäger, Dawid Stasiak, Tim Burns – in progress)
  - transport
  - finite  $\mu$  corrections
  - ...

# Outline

- comparing Gen 2 and Gen 2L: transition temperatures
- $\mathcal{O}(\mu^2)$  corrections to mesonic correlators

multi-year project, with essential contributions by

- Jonas Glesaaen (especially code development)
- Ben Jäger (especially code development, simulations)
- Liang-Kai Wu (simulations)
- Aleksandr Nikolaev (analysis, simulations, theory)
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code: modification of OpenQCD

J. Glesaaen & B. Jäger, `openQCD-FASTSUM`, [doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2216356](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2216356)

J. Glesaaen, `openqcd-hadspec`, [doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2217028](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2217028)

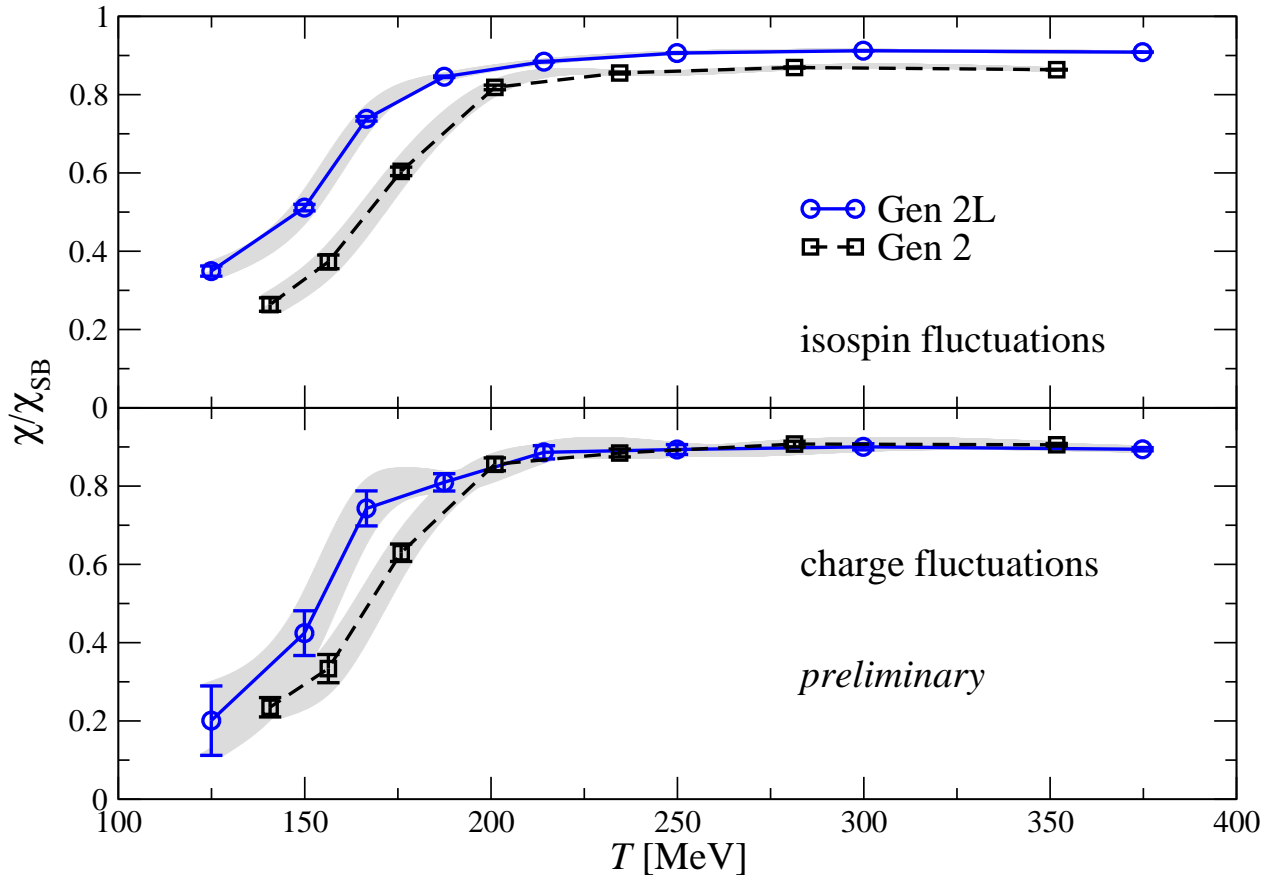
# Towards physical pion mass

- most thermodynamic studies uses staggered fermions (Budapest-Wuppertal, Bielefeld-BNL, Hot QCD)
- Wilson fermions used less, more expensive
- some exceptions: WHOT QCD Ejiri et al  
tmfT (twisted mass) Lombardo, Ilgenfritz et al

hence a study of properties of the thermal crossover with Wilson fermion is still interesting

- transition temperature depends on observable
- $T_c$  denotes pseudo-critical temperature for given observable
- expectation: shift of  $T_c$ 's to lower values as  $m_\pi$  is reduced

# Isospin and charge fluctuations



normalised with massless, lattice Stefan-Boltzmann result

shift of  $T_c$  :  $T_{infl} \simeq 169$  MeV (Gen 2)  $\simeq 155$  MeV (Gen 2L)

[arXiv:1812.08151](https://arxiv.org/abs/1812.08151) [hep-lat]

# Parity doubling in the baryon spectrum

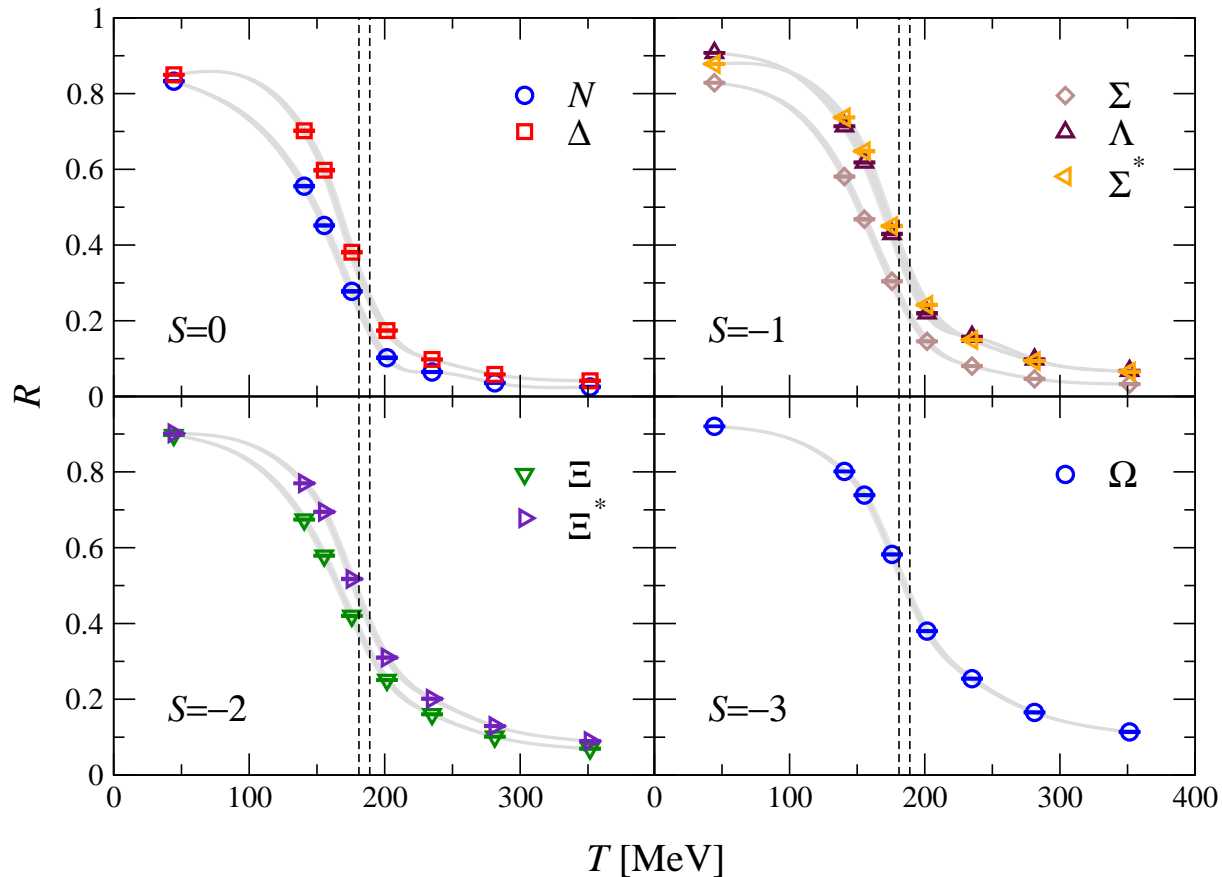
- chiral symmetry restoration: parity doubling
- positive and negative parity states become degenerate
- Gen 2: hyperons arXiv:1812.07393 [hep-lat]
- measure degeneracy directly in correlators

$$R(\tau) = \frac{G_+(\tau) - G_+(1/T - \tau)}{G_+(\tau) + G_+(1/T - \tau)},$$

- parity doubling:  $G_+(\tau) = G_+(1/T - \tau) = -G_-(\tau) \Rightarrow R(\tau) = 0$
- no parity doubling, with  $m_- \gg m_+ \Rightarrow R(\tau) = 1$
- quasi-order parameter

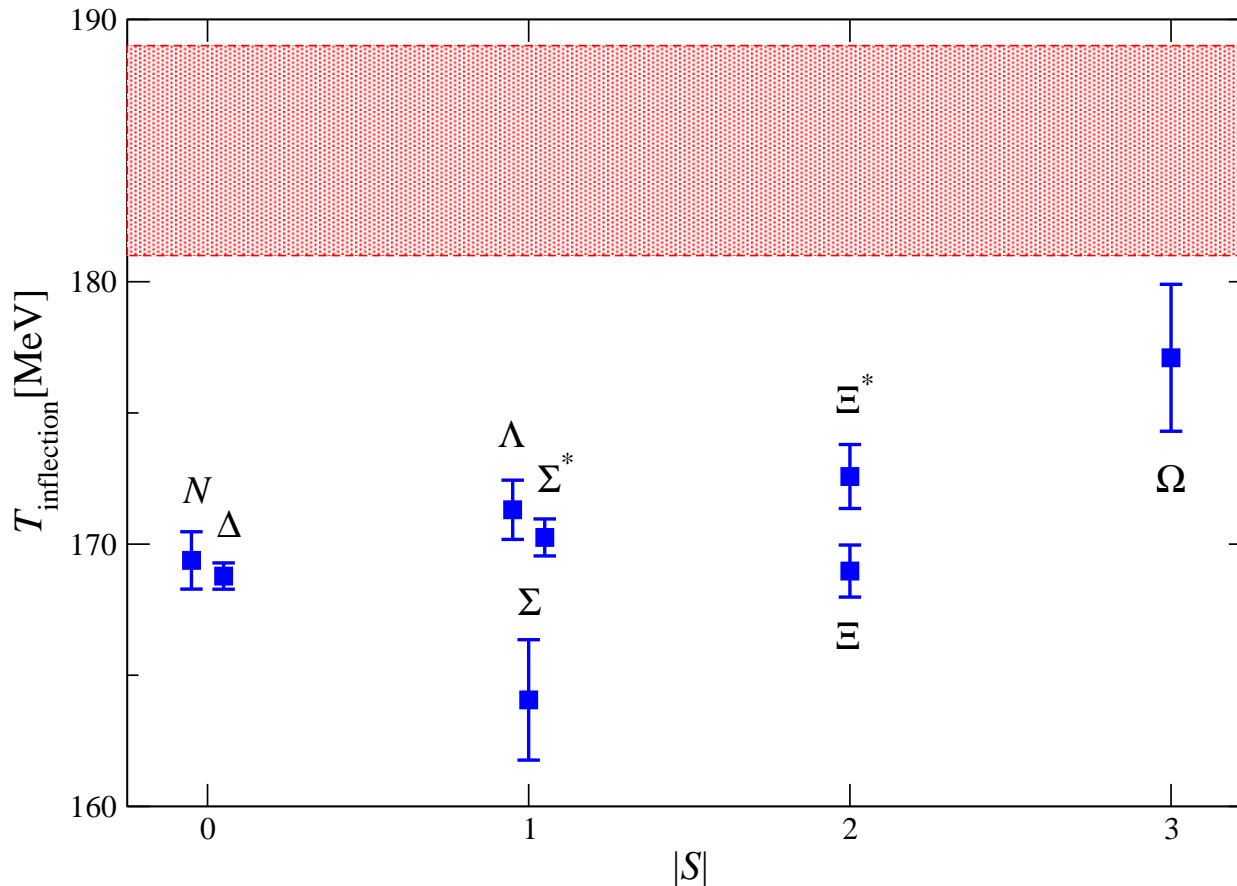
$$0 \leq R = \frac{\sum_n R(\tau_n) / \sigma^2(\tau_n)}{\sum_n 1 / \sigma^2(\tau_n)} \leq 1$$

# Parity doubling in the baryon spectrum



- $R$  from (close to) 1 to (close) 0
- strange quark mass dependence at high  $T$
- vertical lines:  $T_c = 185(4)$  MeV from Polyakov loop

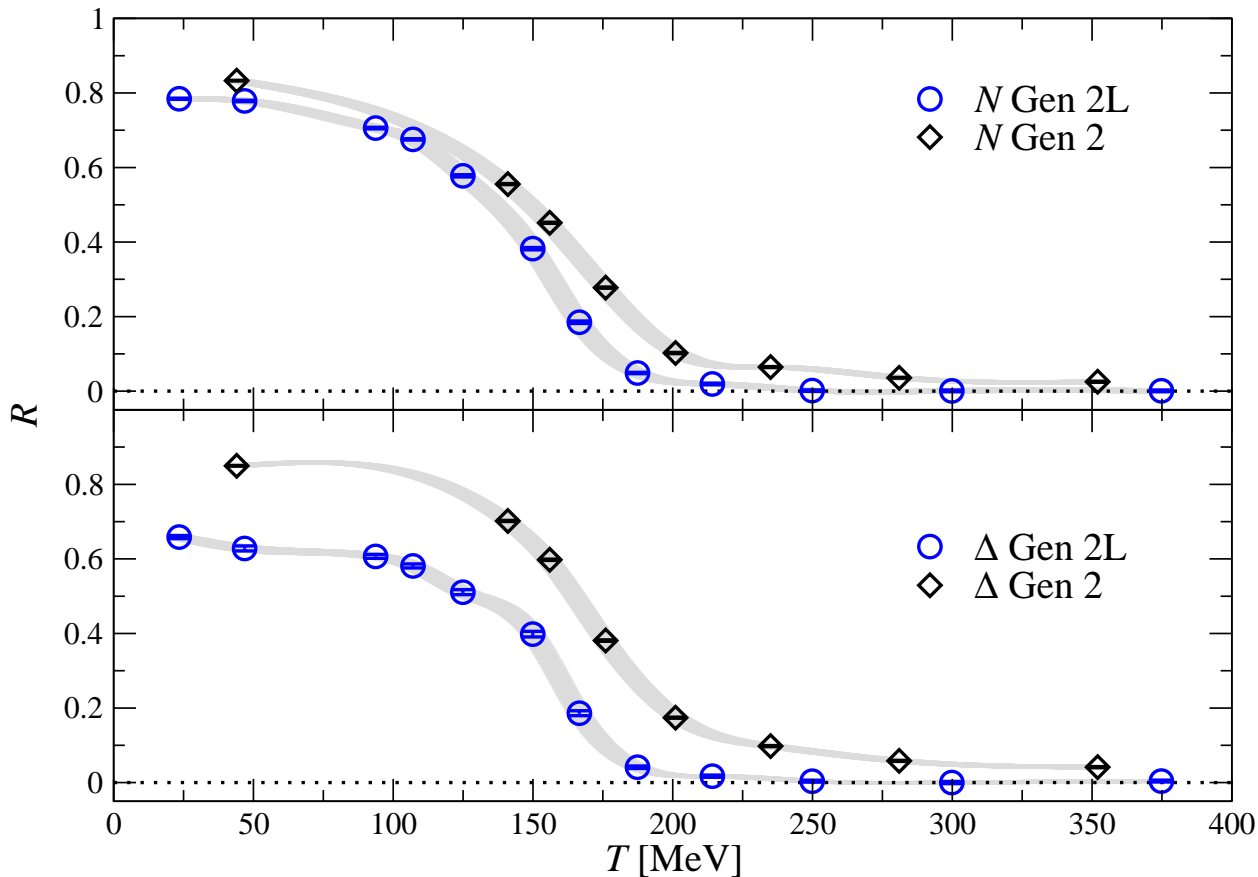
# Parity doubling: transition



- hashed region:  $T_c$  from renormalised Polyakov loop
- inflection-point temperatures somewhat lower
- potential strangeness dependence



# Parity doubling: Gen 2 vs Gen 2L



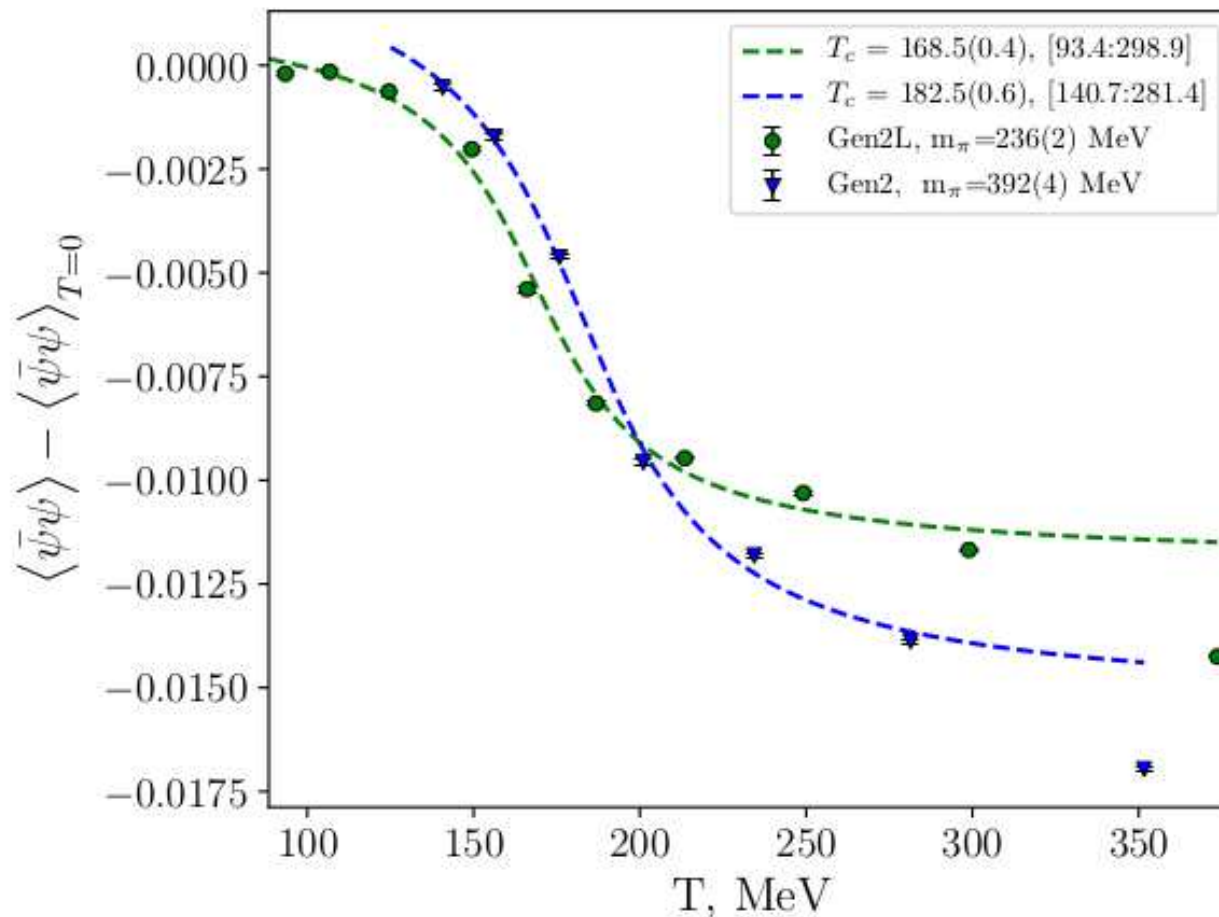
shift of  $T_c$  :  $T_{\text{infl}} \simeq 169 \text{ MeV}$  (Gen 2)  $\simeq 159 \text{ MeV}$  (Gen 2L)

- $R$  closer to 0 for Gen 2L at high  $T$
- analysis of hyperons on Gen 2L is in progress

# Chiral condensate

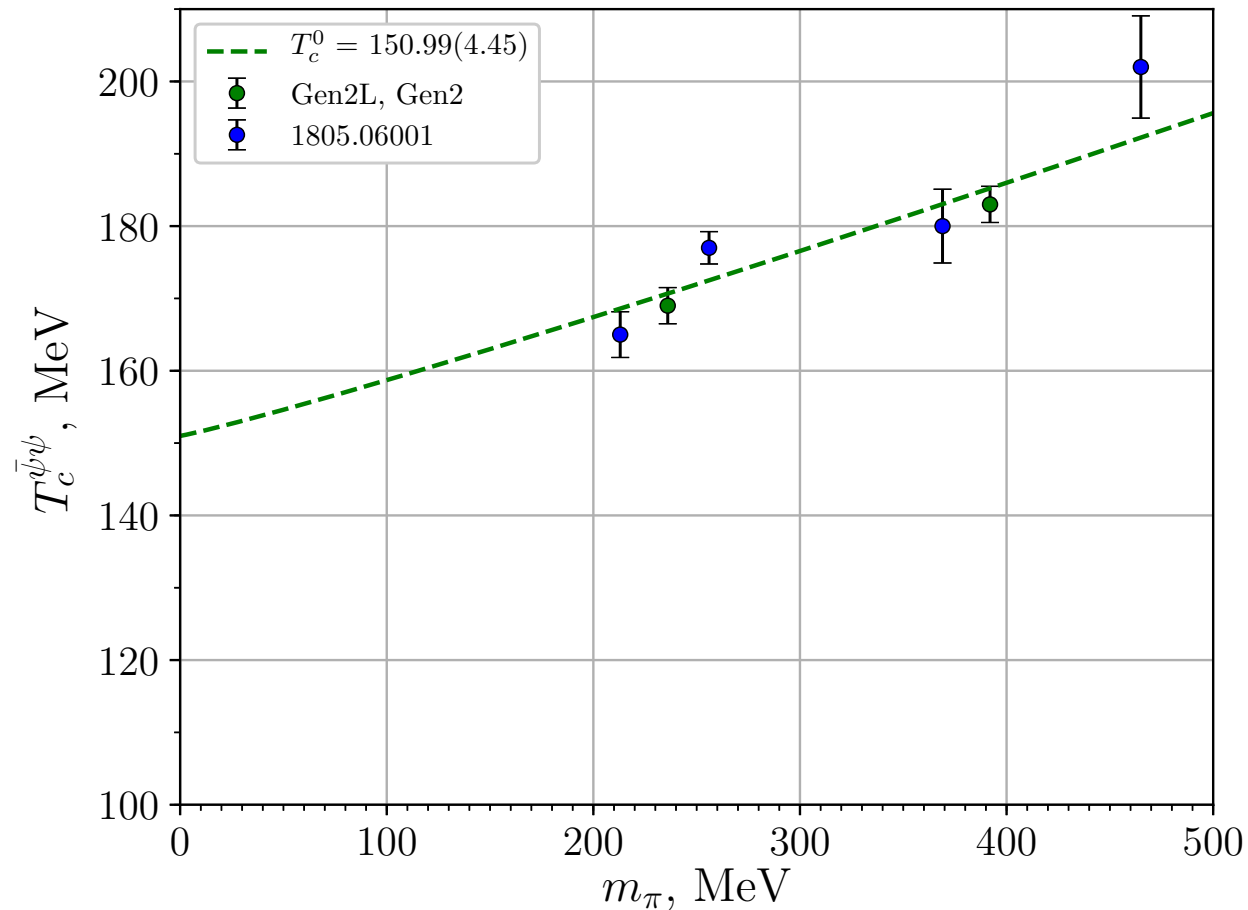
fixed scale approach

additive + multiplicative renormalisation are  $T$  independent



# Chiral condensate

$T_c$  from inflection point, compare with twisted mass fermions 1805.06001 Lombardo et al



consistency, towards physical masses with Wilson fermions

**interval**

# Finite $\mu$ corrections

- direct simulations have to cope with sign problem
- Taylor expansion in  $\mu/T$  widely used to probe  $\mu > 0$  region
- typically used for
  - thermodynamics
  - higher-order susceptibilities
  - curvature of the crossover line

in this talk

- corrections to spectrum at  $\mu \neq 0$
- see pioneering paper by QCD-TARO

Choe, de Forcrand, Stamatescu et al, hep-lat/0107002

# Finite $\mu$ corrections

apply Taylor series to mesonic correlators:

- expand both determinant and propagator
- $\mathcal{O}(\mu)$  term vanishes
- $\mathcal{O}(\mu^2)$  term is nontrivial
- expansion of det: disconnected diagrams  $\Rightarrow$  expensive

important contributions by Davide de Boni (theory), Jonas Glesaaen, Ben Jäger (coding), Liang-Kai Wu (simulations), Aleksandr Nikolaev (analysis)

- OpenQCD-FASTSUM code essential
- everything is preliminary !

# Derivation: short-hand notation

- write  $Z = \langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle$ , brackets denote gluonic averaging
- two-point correlator of mesonic operators:  $J = \bar{\psi}\Gamma\psi$

$$G(x) = \frac{\langle\langle \det g(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} \quad g(x) = \text{tr } S(x)\Gamma S(-x)\Gamma^\dagger$$

- first  $\mu$  derivative vanishes at  $\mu = 0$

$$G'(x) = \frac{\langle\langle \det' g(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} + \frac{\langle\langle \det g'(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} - \frac{\langle\langle \det g(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} \frac{\langle\langle \det' \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle}$$

- second derivative

$$G''(x) = \frac{\langle\langle \det'' g(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} + 2 \frac{\langle\langle \det' g'(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} - 2 \frac{\langle\langle \det' g(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} \frac{\langle\langle \det' \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} - \frac{\langle\langle \det g(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} \frac{\langle\langle \det'' \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} \\ - 2 \frac{\langle\langle \det g'(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} \frac{\langle\langle \det' \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} + 2 \frac{\langle\langle \det g(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} \left( \frac{\langle\langle \det' \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle} \right)^2 + \frac{\langle\langle \det g''(x) \rangle\rangle}{\langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle}$$

# Derivation

- in terms of proper brackets:  $\langle O \rangle = \langle\langle \det O \rangle\rangle / \langle\langle \det \rangle\rangle$
- second derivative: reorganise terms

$$\begin{aligned} G''(x) = & \left\langle \frac{\det''}{\det} g(x) \right\rangle - \left\langle \frac{\det''}{\det} \right\rangle \langle g(x) \rangle \\ & + 2 \left\langle \frac{\det'}{\det} g'(x) \right\rangle - 2 \left\langle \frac{\det'}{\det} \right\rangle \langle g'(x) \rangle \\ & - 2 \left( \left\langle \frac{\det'}{\det} g(x) \right\rangle - \left\langle \frac{\det'}{\det} \right\rangle \langle g(x) \rangle \right) \left\langle \frac{\det'}{\det} \right\rangle \\ & + \langle g''(x) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

with  $\det = e^{\text{Tr} \ln M} \Rightarrow \det' / \det = \text{Tr} M^{-1} M'$ , etc

- first three lines are disconnected contributions
- at  $\mu = 0$ :  $\langle \det' / \det \rangle \sim \langle n_q \rangle = 0$
- expensive to compute, vanish as  $g \rightarrow 0$ , i.e.  $T \rightarrow \infty$



# Finite $\mu$ corrections

at  $T \rightarrow \infty$ , only  $\langle g''(x) \rangle$  contributes

- free quarks, with  $\mu$ -dependent propagators
- do analytical calculation, in continuum and on lattice

follow GA & Martínez Resco, 2005

$$\text{propagators } S(\tau, \mathbf{k}) = \gamma_4 S_4(\tau, \mathbf{k}) + \gamma_i S_i(\tau, \mathbf{k}) + \mathbb{1} S_u(\tau, \mathbf{k})$$

$$\text{with } S_4(\tau, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{2} [f_-(\tau, \omega_{\mathbf{k}}) + b_+(\tau, \omega_{\mathbf{k}})]$$

$$S_i(\tau, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{-ik_i}{2\omega_{\mathbf{k}}} [f_-(\tau, \omega_{\mathbf{k}}) - b_+(\tau, \omega_{\mathbf{k}})]$$

$$S_u(\tau, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{m}{2\omega_{\mathbf{k}}} [f_-(\tau, \omega_{\mathbf{k}}) - b_+(\tau, \omega_{\mathbf{k}})]$$

$$f_{\pm}(\tau, \omega_{\mathbf{k}}) = [1 - n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \pm \mu)] e^{-(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \pm \mu)\tau}$$

$$b_{\pm}(\tau, \omega_{\mathbf{k}}) = [1 - n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \pm \mu)] e^{-(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \pm \mu)(1/T - \tau)} = n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \pm \mu) e^{(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \pm \mu)\tau}$$

# Finite $\mu$ corrections

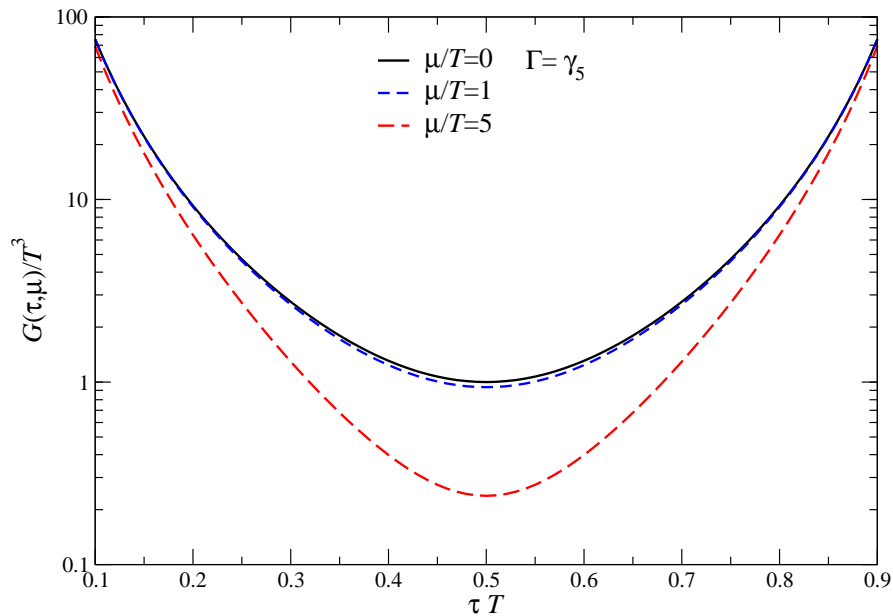
- mesonic correlator in different channels  $H$

$$G_H(\tau, \mathbf{0}) = N_c \int_{\mathbf{k}} \left\{ \left( a_H^{(1)} - a_H^{(2)} \frac{k^2}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2} - a_H^{(3)} \frac{m^2}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2} \right) \right. \\ \left( [1 - n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} + \mu)] [1 - n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} - \mu)] e^{-2\omega_{\mathbf{k}}\tau} + n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} + \mu) n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} - \mu) e^{2\omega_{\mathbf{k}}\tau} \right) \\ + \left( a_H^{(1)} + a_H^{(2)} \frac{k^2}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2} + a_H^{(3)} \frac{m^2}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2} \right) \\ \left. \left( [1 - n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} - \mu)] n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} - \mu) + [1 - n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} + \mu)] n_F(\omega_{\mathbf{k}} + \mu) \right) \right\}$$

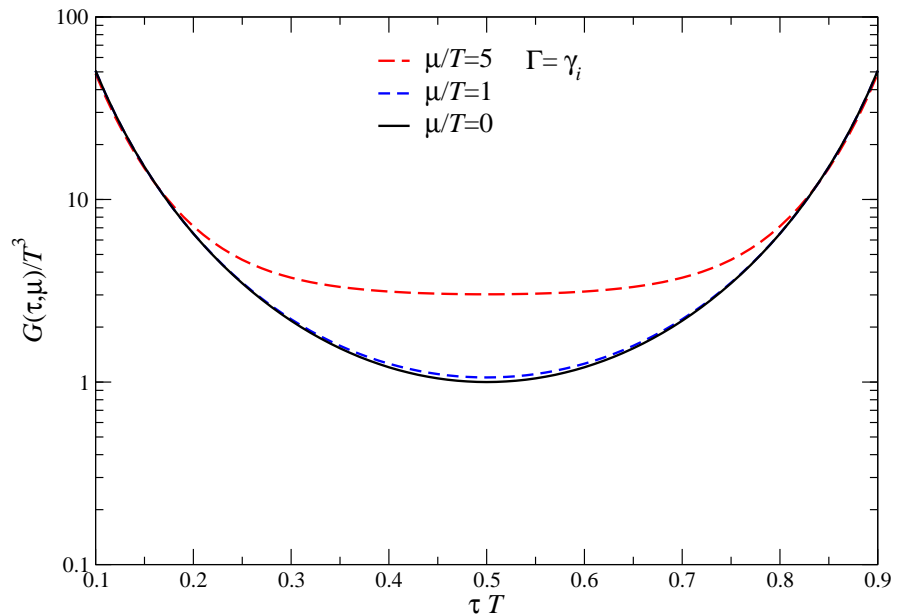
- coefficients  $a_H^{(i)}$  depend on channel
- second contribution is  $\tau$ -independent
- evaluate integral analytically in massless case

# Massless quarks at high $T$

- $G(\tau, \mu)/T^3$  on a logarithmic scale vs  $\tau T$



$$\Gamma_H = \gamma_5$$



$$\Gamma_H = \gamma_i$$

- note opposite effect of increasing  $\mu$ :  
pseudoscalar/vector correlator is reduced/enhanced

# Massless quarks at high $T$

- second-order correction

$$T^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu^2} G_H(\tau, \mathbf{0}) \Big|_{m=\mu=0} = \frac{N_c T^3}{\pi^2} \left[ a_H^{(1)} + a_H^{(2)} - \frac{1}{12} \left( a_H^{(1)} - a_H^{(2)} \right) h(u) \right]$$

with

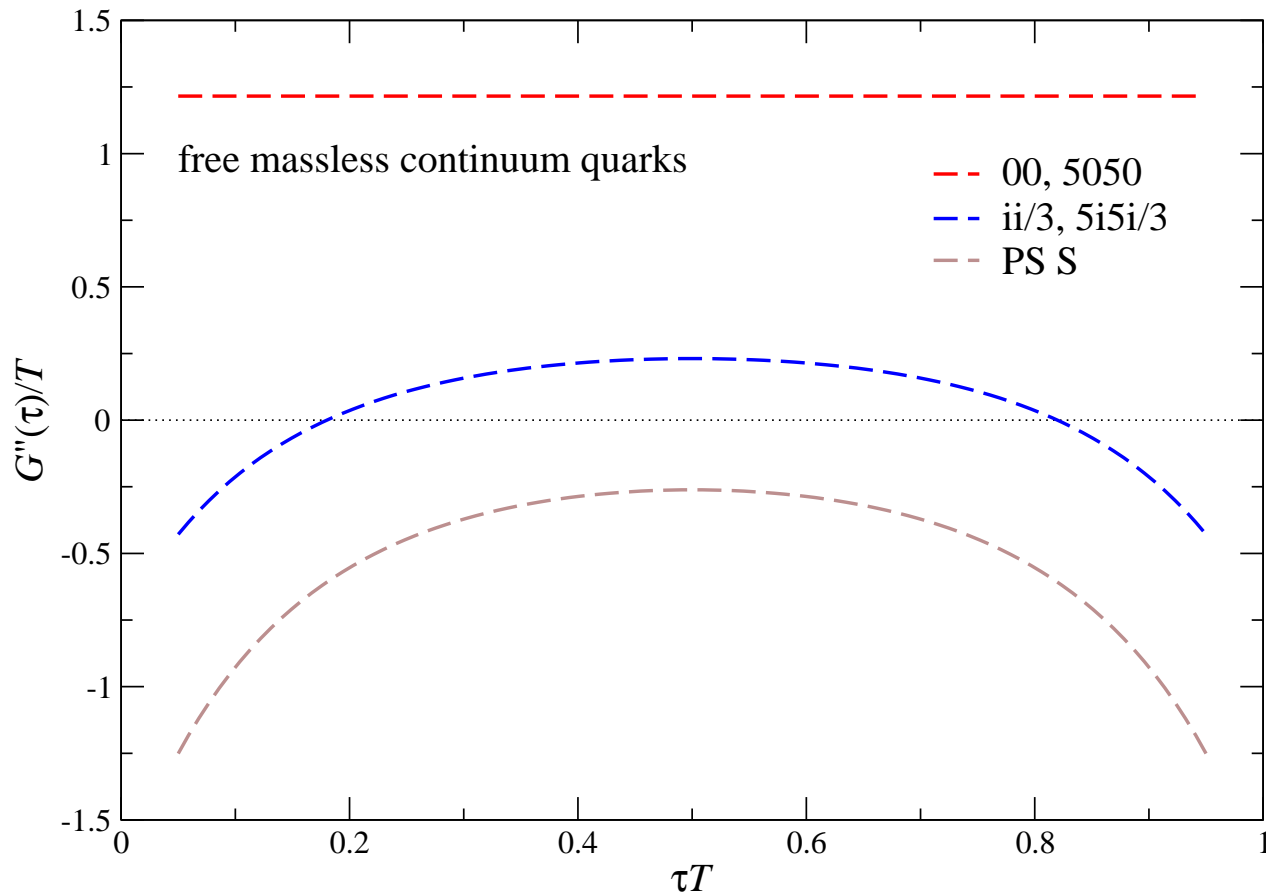
$$h(u) = \frac{3u(\pi^2 - u^2 - 2) + u(\pi^2 - u^2 + 6) \cos(2u) - 2(\pi^2 - 3u^2) \sin(2u)}{\sin^3(u)}$$

and  $u = 2\pi T(\tau - 1/2T)$ ,  $-\pi < u < \pi$

- constant shift depends on channel
- $\tau$  dependence is identical – contained in  $h(u)$

# Massless quarks at high $T$

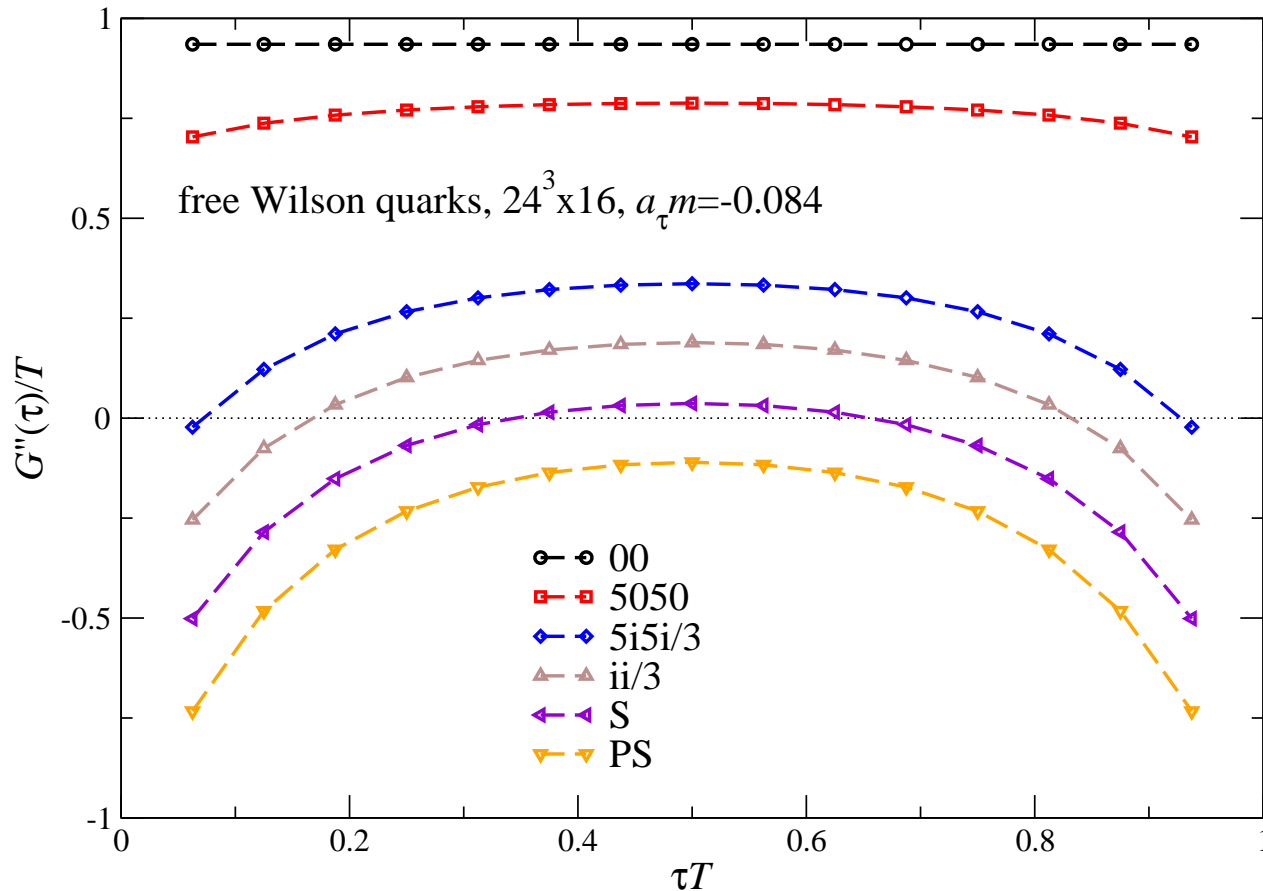
- second-order correction only



- in (axial-)vector channel correction crosses zero  $\Rightarrow$  non-monotonic correction

# Free lattice quarks at high $T$

- second-order correction only



- massive Wilson quarks, with Gen 2 bare mass and anisotropy

# Finite $\mu$ corrections

let's now go to simulations: Gen 2 lattices,  $24^3 \times N_\tau$

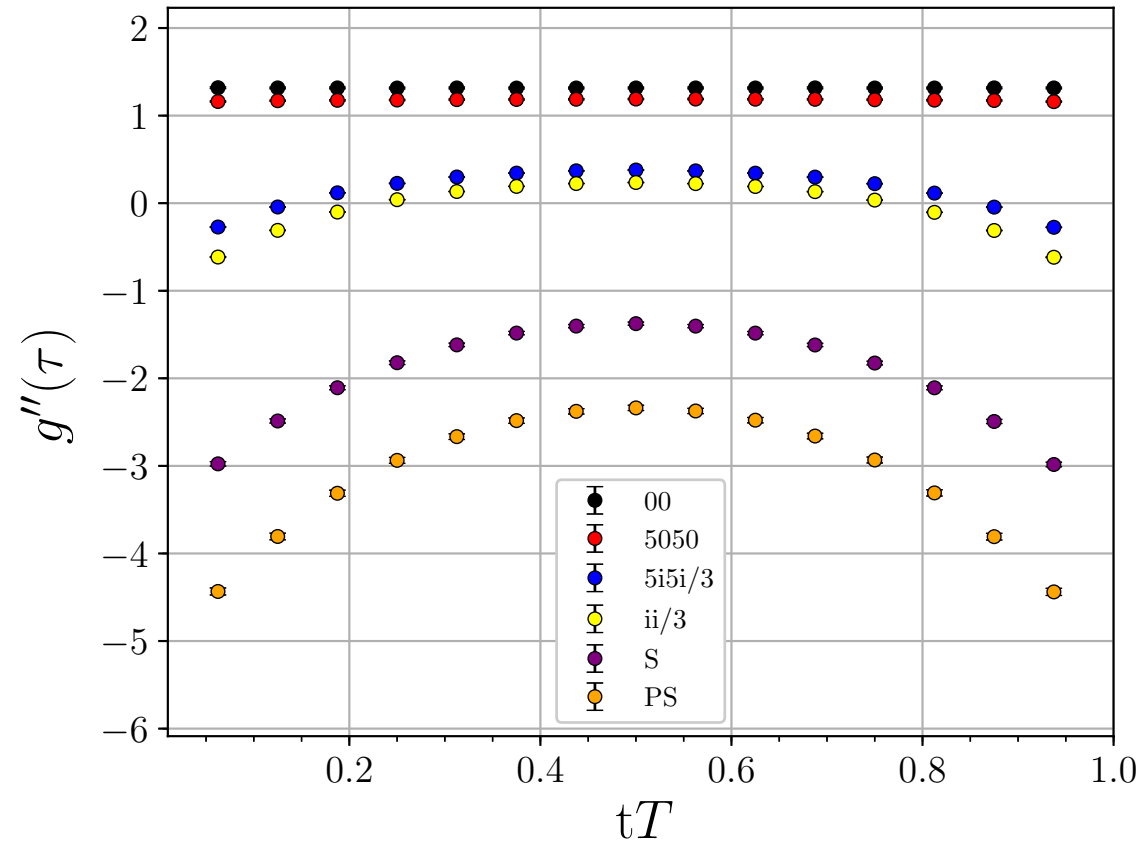
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first:

- results at the higher temperatures
- connected contributions

# Simulations

- second-order connected correction only

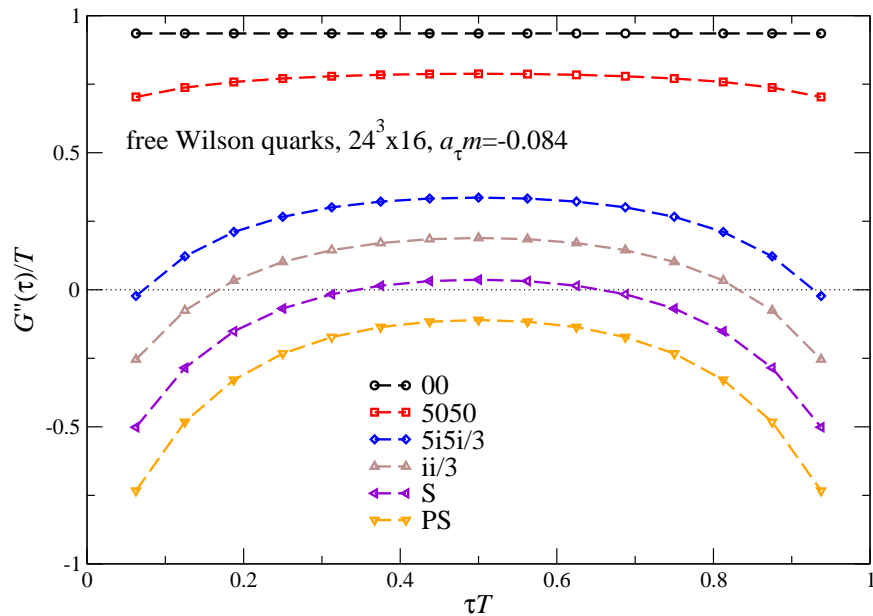


- highest temperature,  $N_\tau = 16$

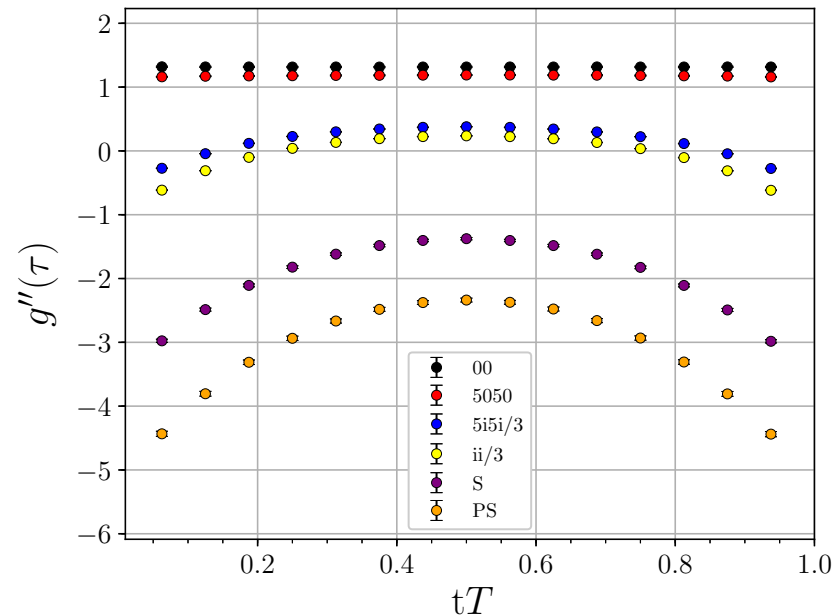


# Comparison

- second-order connected correction only



free

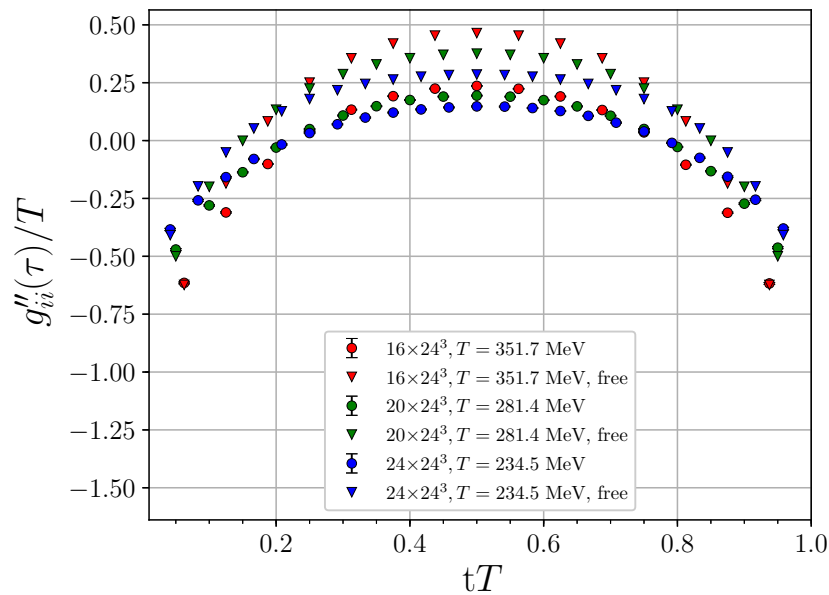


interacting

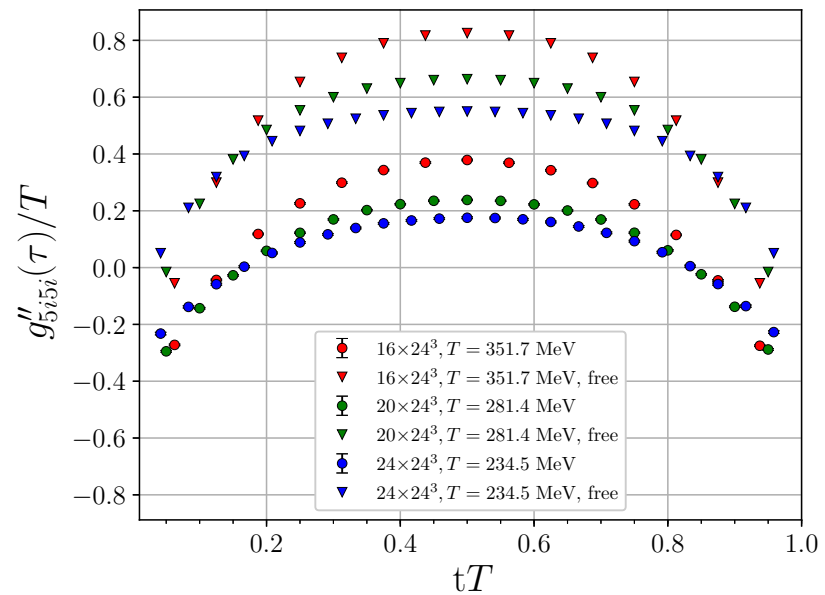
- similar qualitative behaviour
- multiplicative renormalisation, interactions

# Temperature dependence

- second-order connected correction only
- highest temperatures,  $N_\tau = 16, 20, 24$



vector

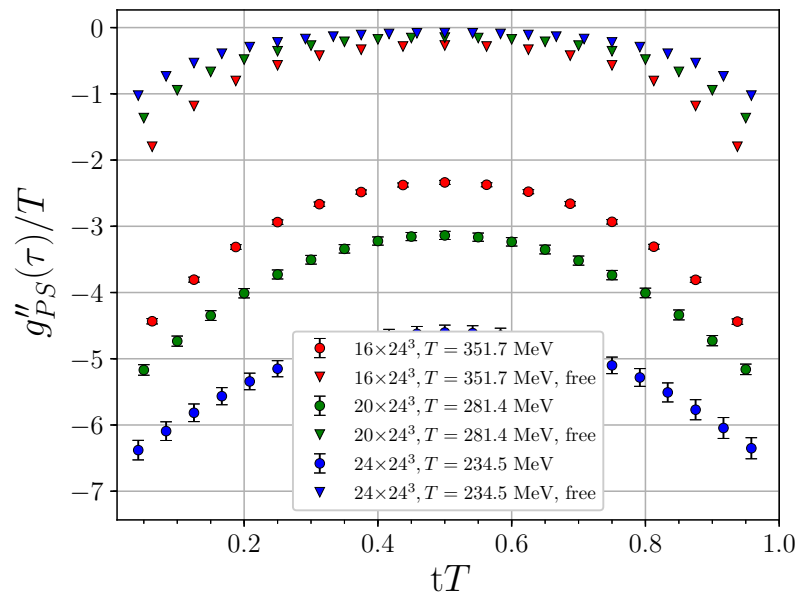


axial-vector

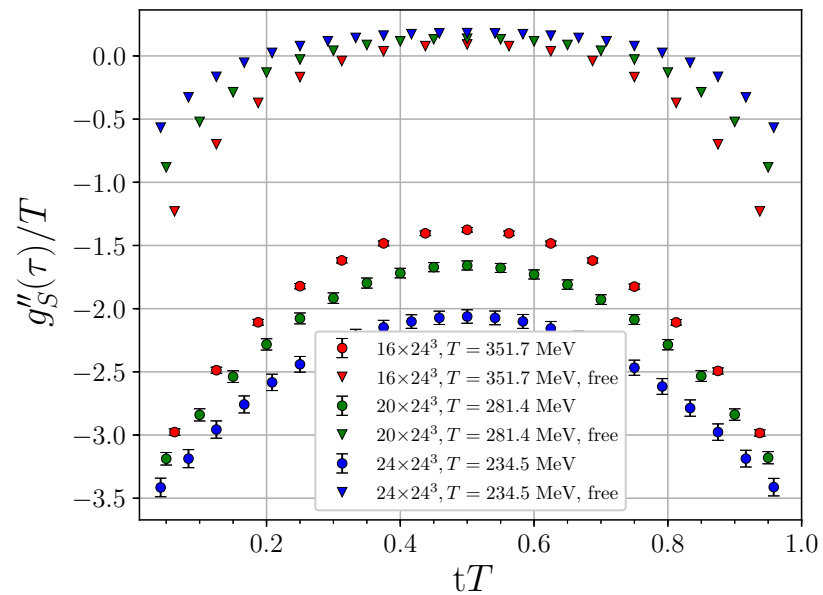
- free (triangle) compared to interacting (circles)

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pseudo-scalar

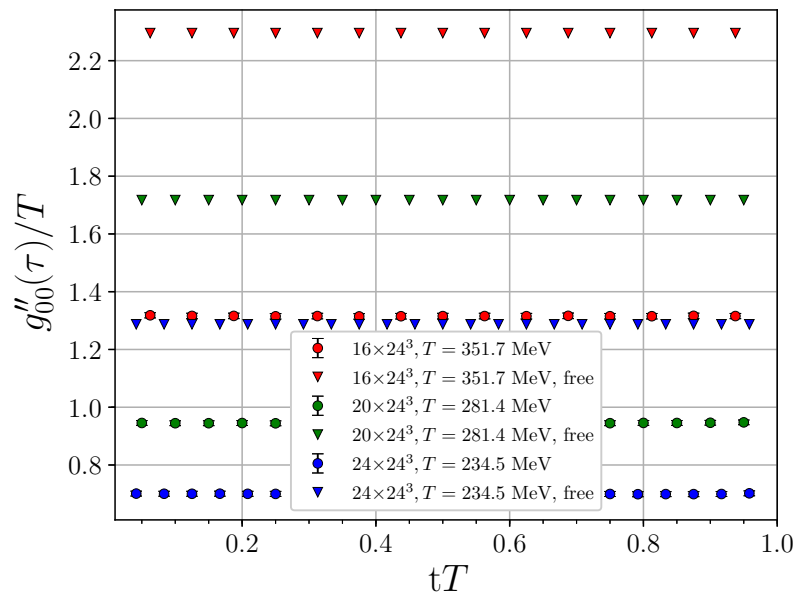


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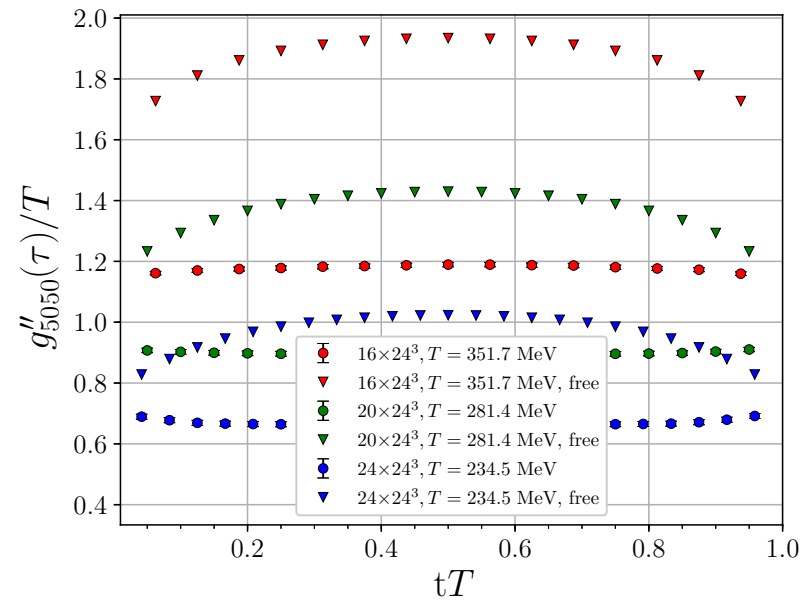
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vector charge

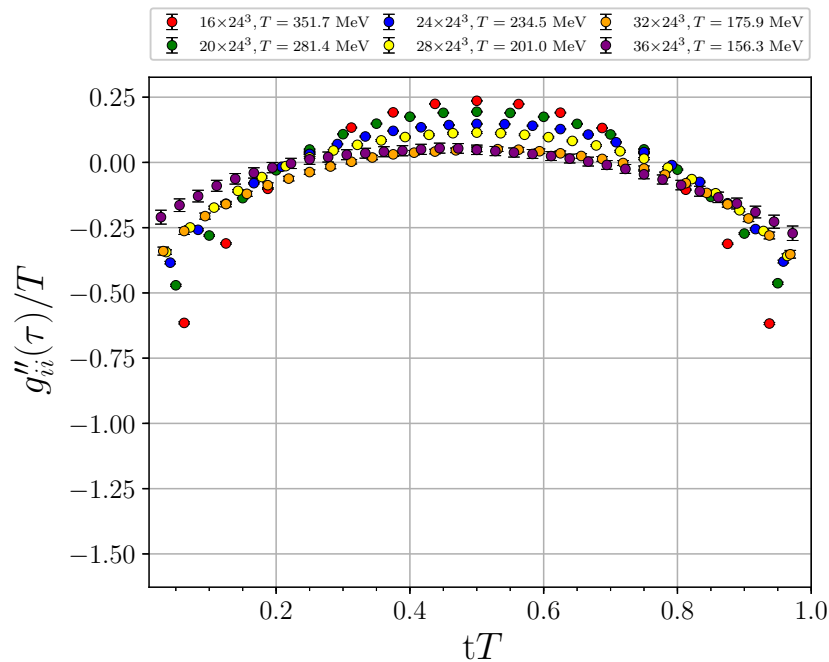


axial charge

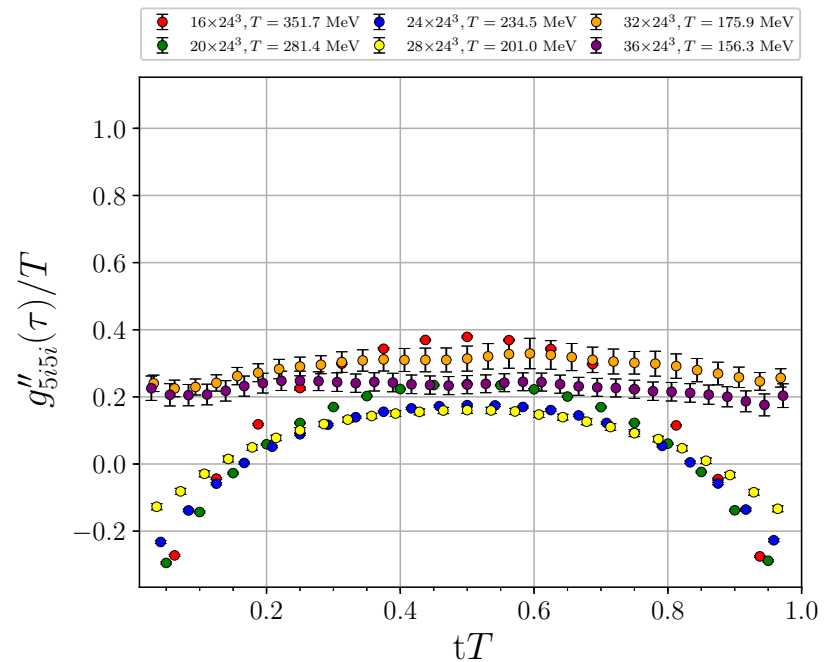
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# Full temperature dependence

- second-order connected correction only
- many temperatures,  $N_\tau = 16, 20, 24, 28 \mid 32, 36$



vector

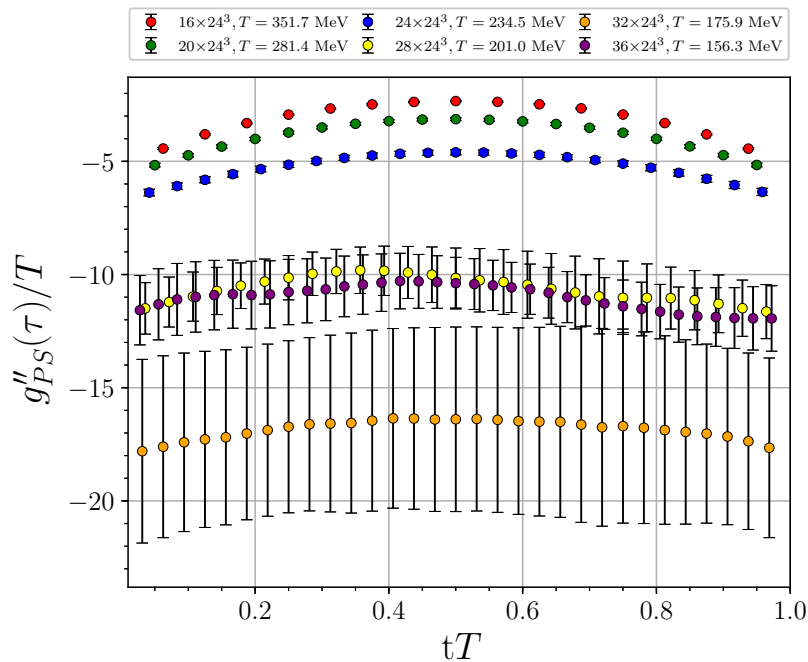


axial-vector

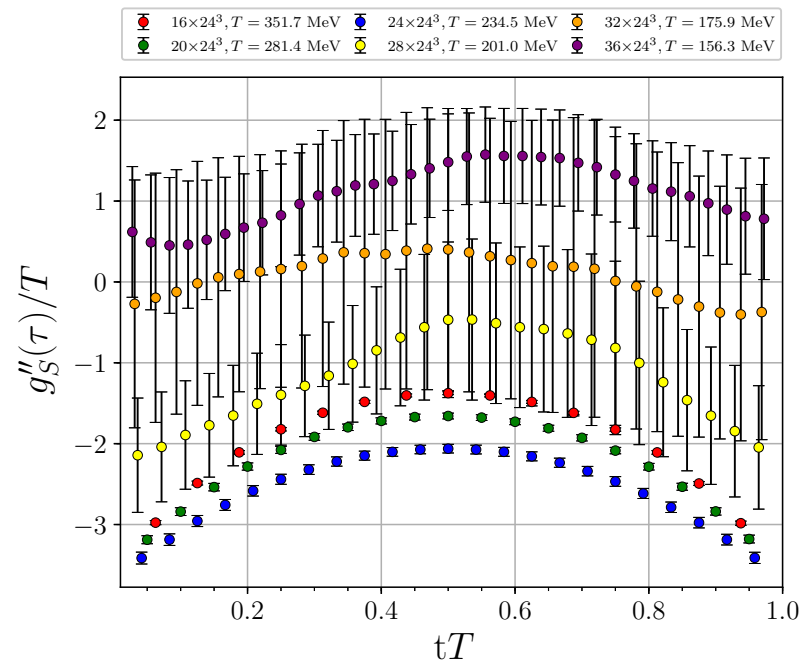
- clear change in signal when entering confined phase

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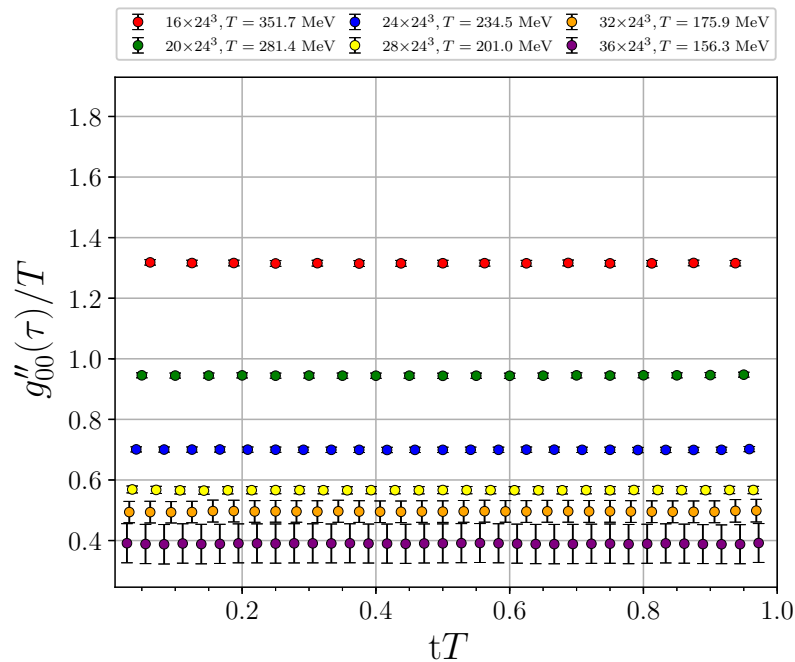


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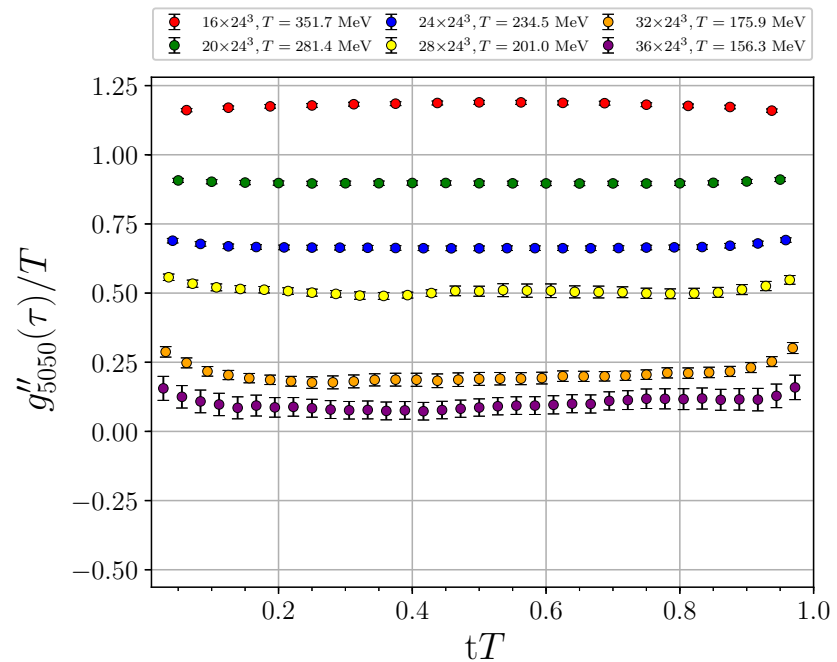
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# Full temperature dependence

- second-order connected correction only
- many temperatures,  $N_\tau = 16, 20, 24, 28 \mid 32, 36$



vector charge



axial charge

- clear change in signal when entering confined phase

# A surprising cosh fit

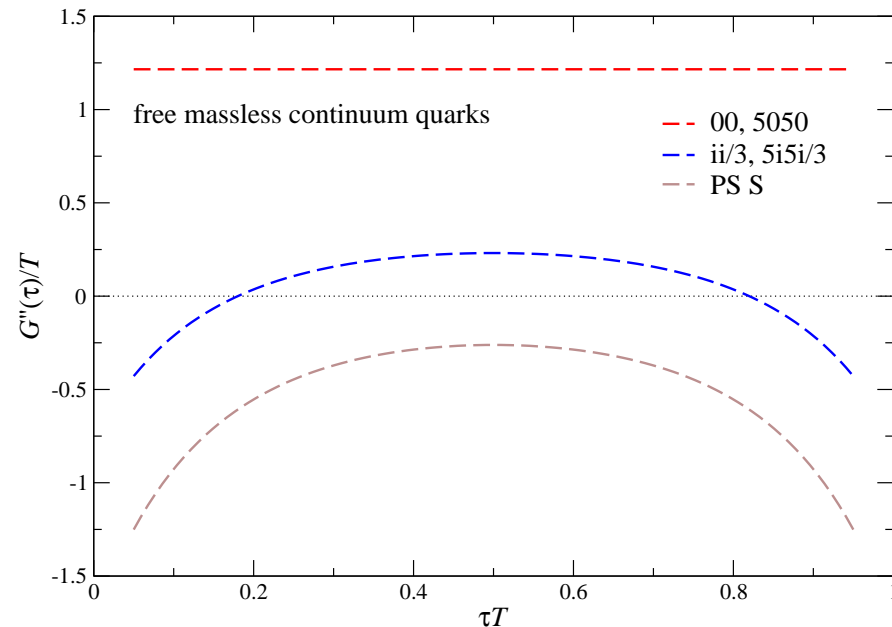
- recall analytic massless continuum expression

$$T^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu^2} G_H(\tau, \mathbf{0}) \Big|_{m=\mu=0} = \frac{N_c T^3}{\pi^2} \left[ a_H^{(1)} + a_H^{(2)} - \frac{1}{12} \left( a_H^{(1)} - a_H^{(2)} \right) h(u) \right]$$

with

$$h(u) = \frac{3u(\pi^2 - u^2 - 2) + u(\pi^2 - u^2 + 6) \cos(2u) - 2(\pi^2 - 3u^2) \sin(2u)}{\sin^3(u)}$$

and  $u = 2\pi T(\tau - 1/2T)$



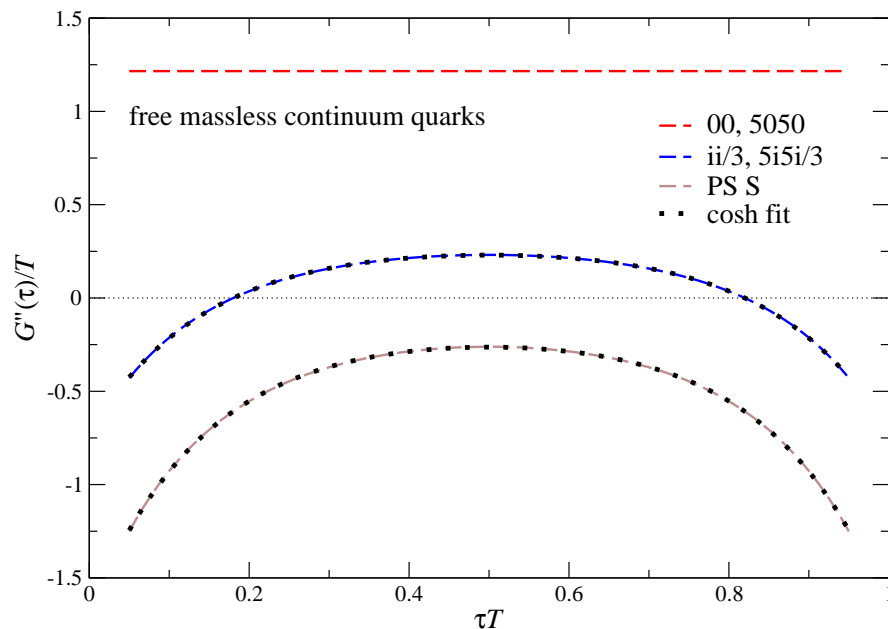


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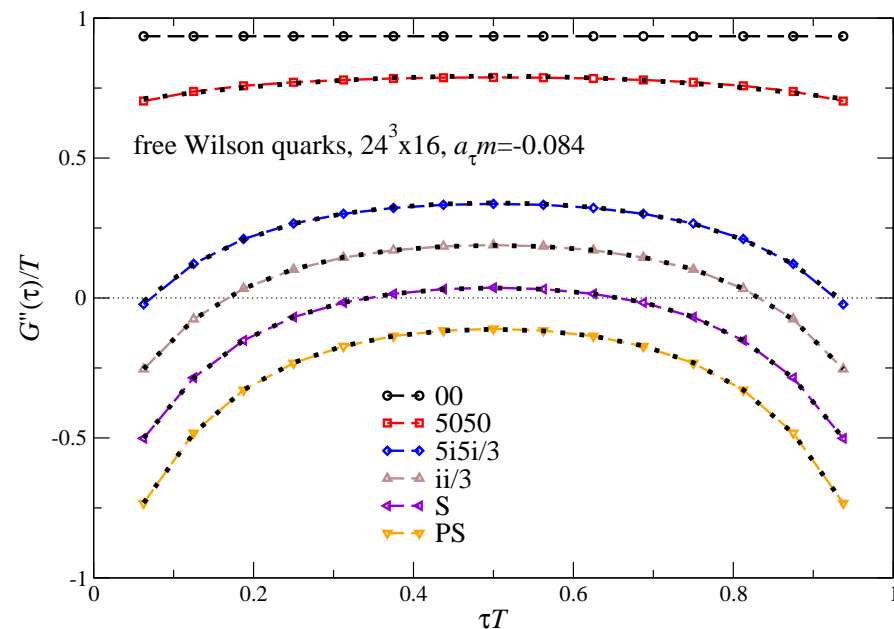
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$$G''(\tau)/T = c_0 + c_1 \cosh[c_2(\tau T - 1/2)]$$

both in continuum and on lattice



continuum,  $c_2 \sim 7$



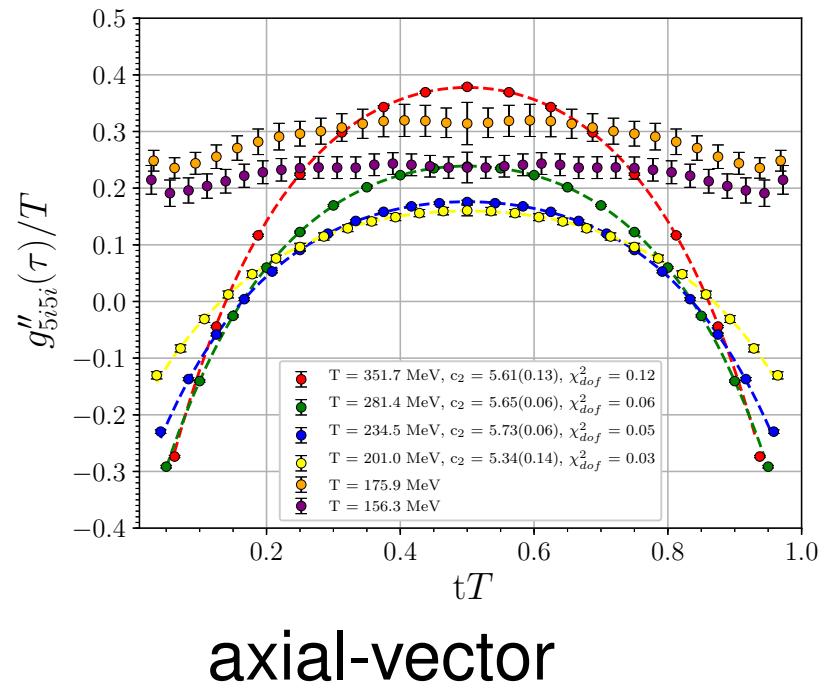
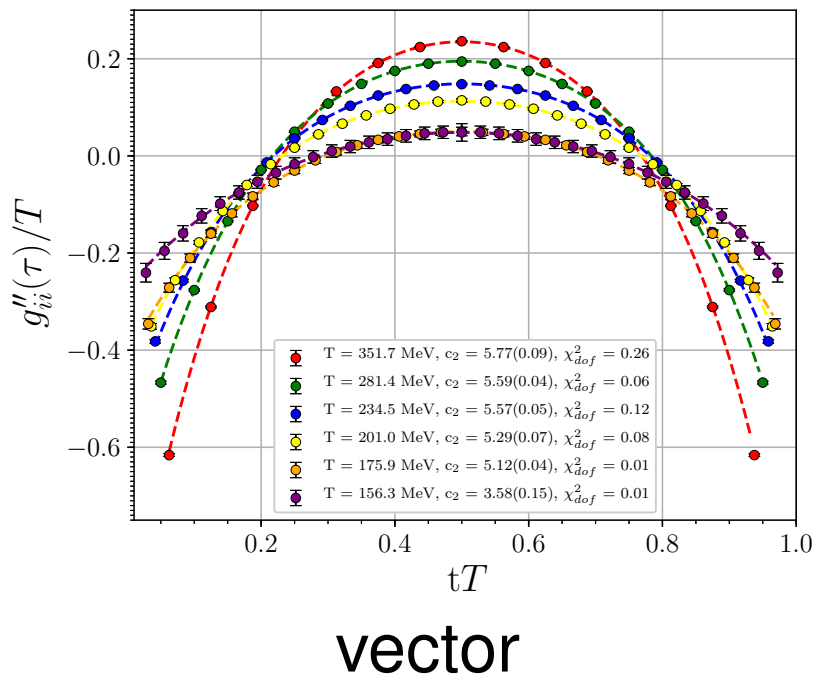
lattice,  $c_2 \sim 7.4$

approximately same coefficient in all channels

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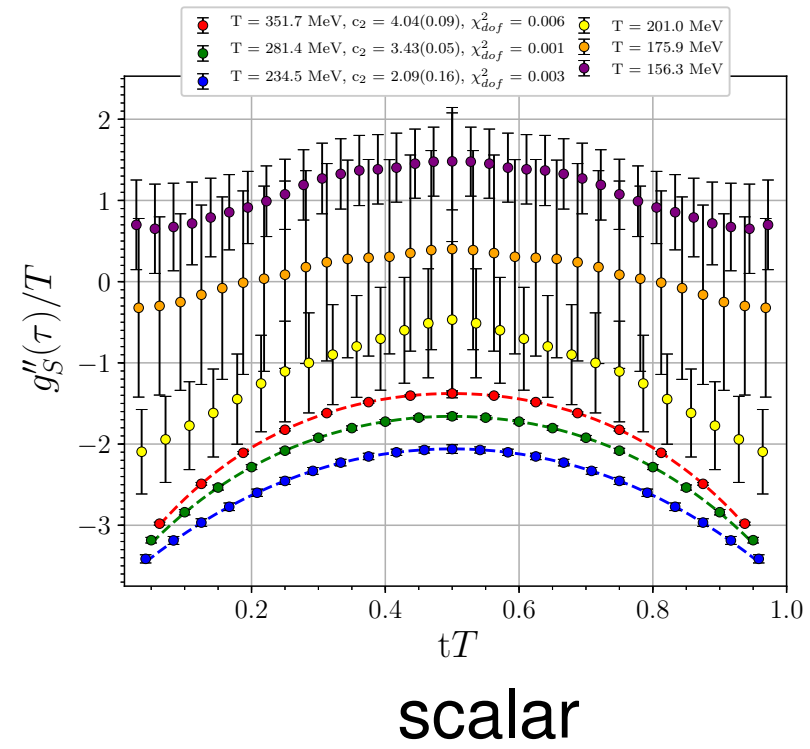
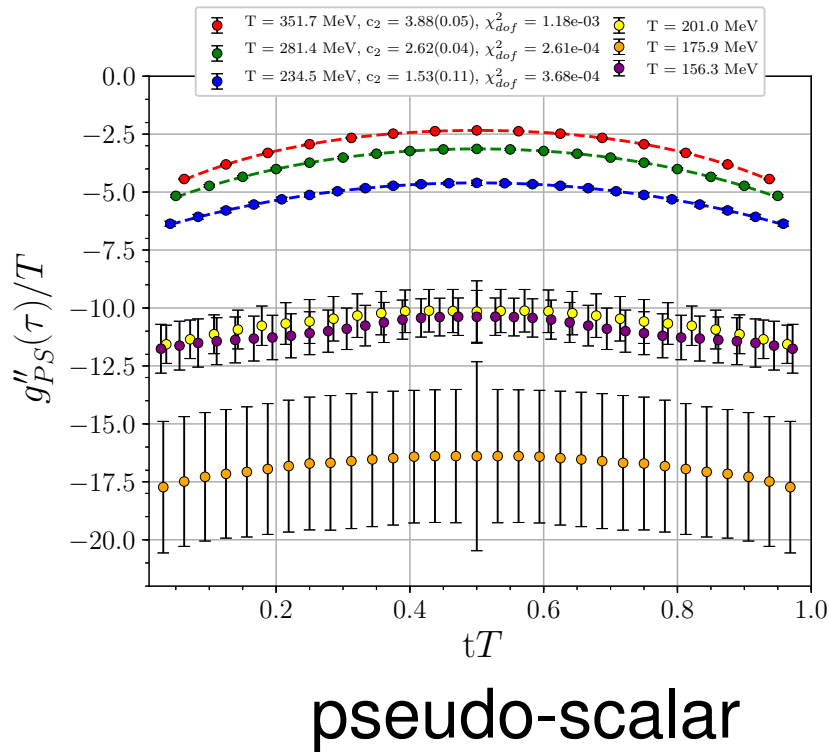
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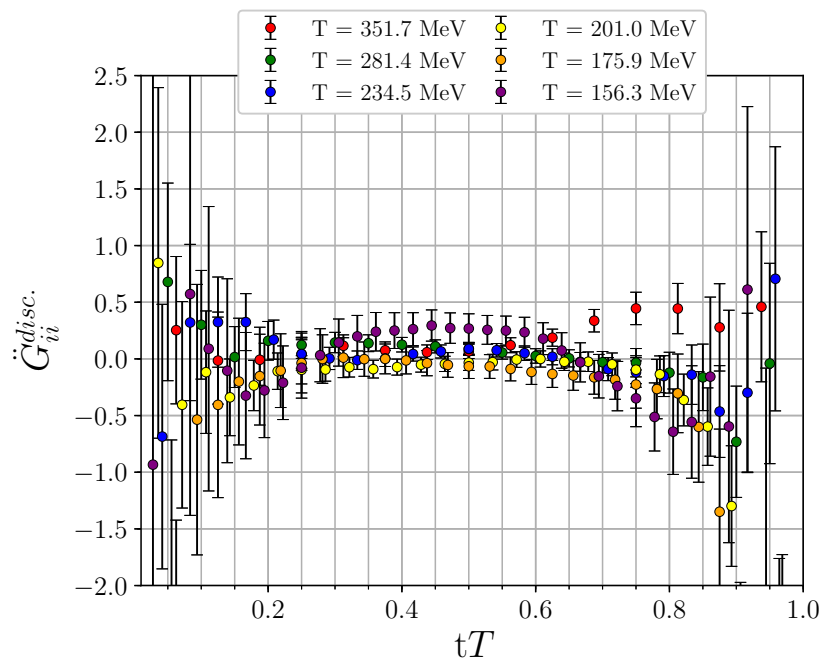
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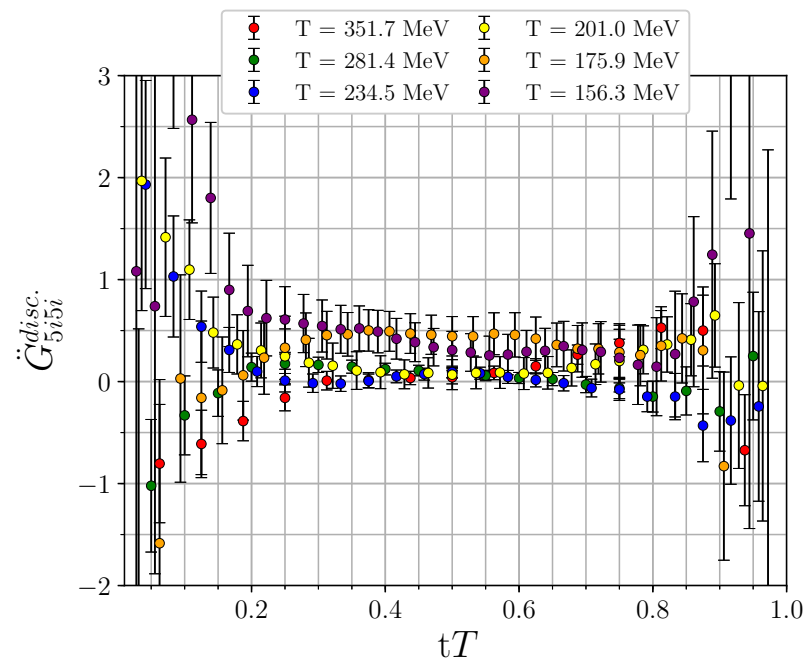


# Disconnected contributions

- disconnected parts vanish in absence of interactions
- very noisy, stochastic estimators, multiple sources



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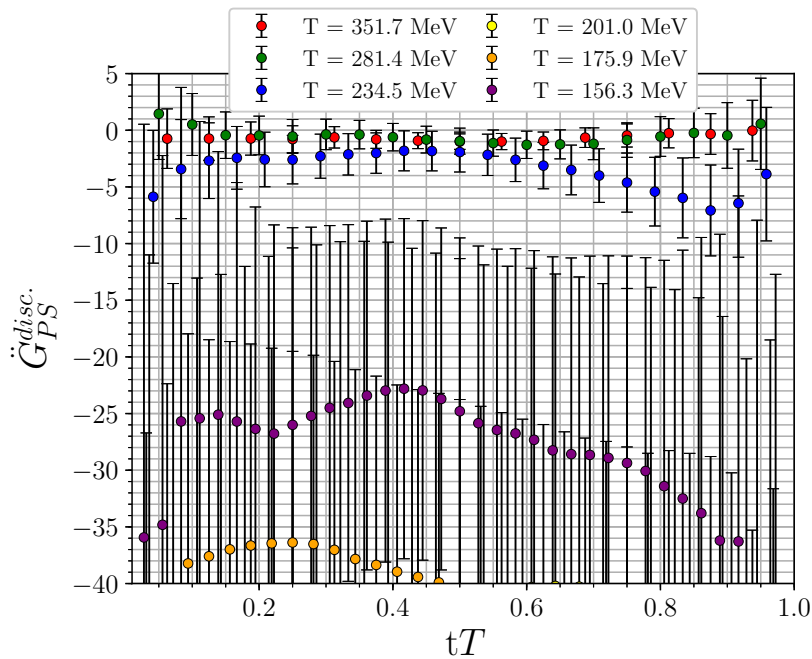


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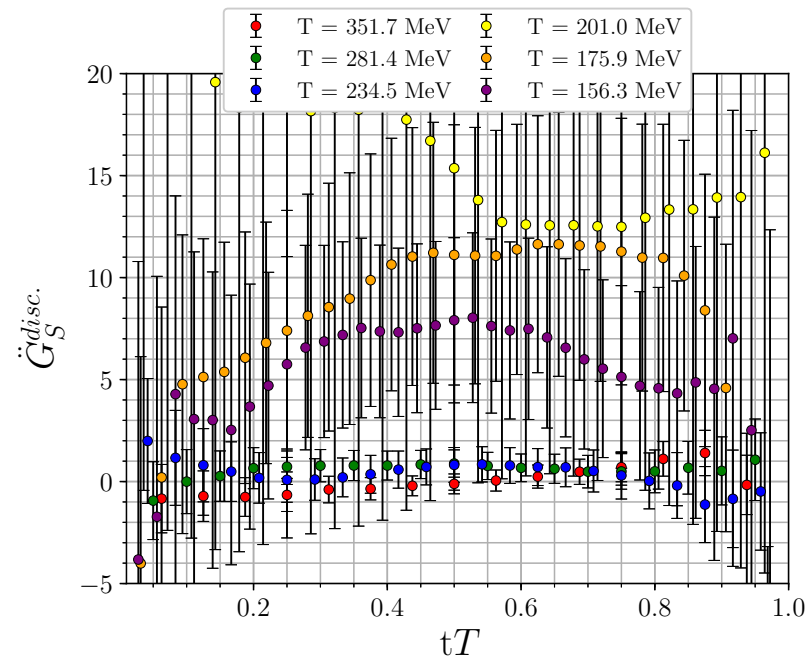
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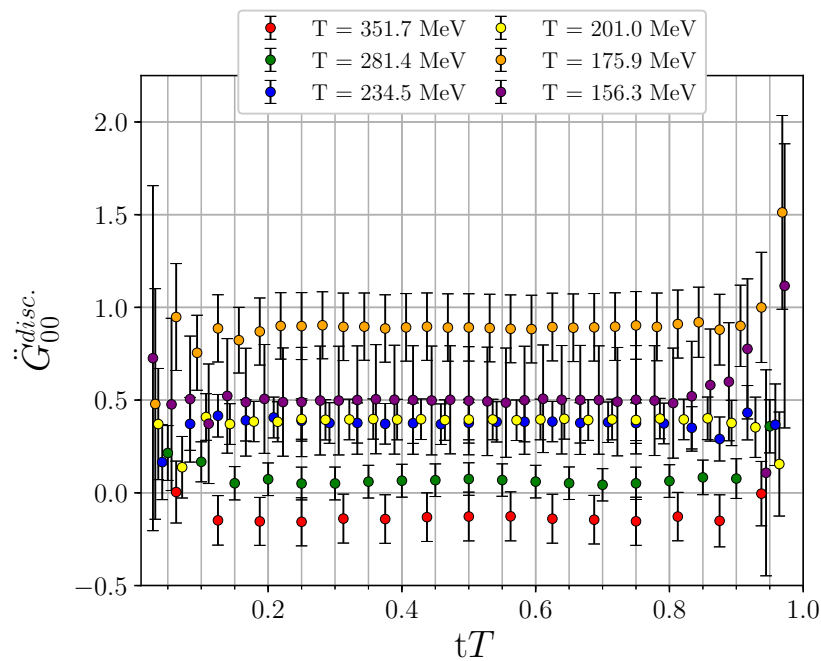


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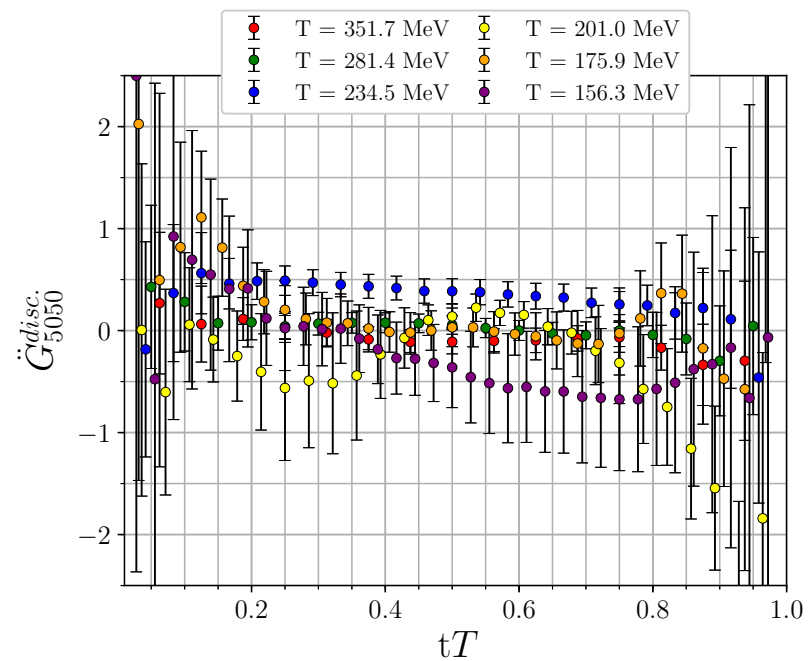
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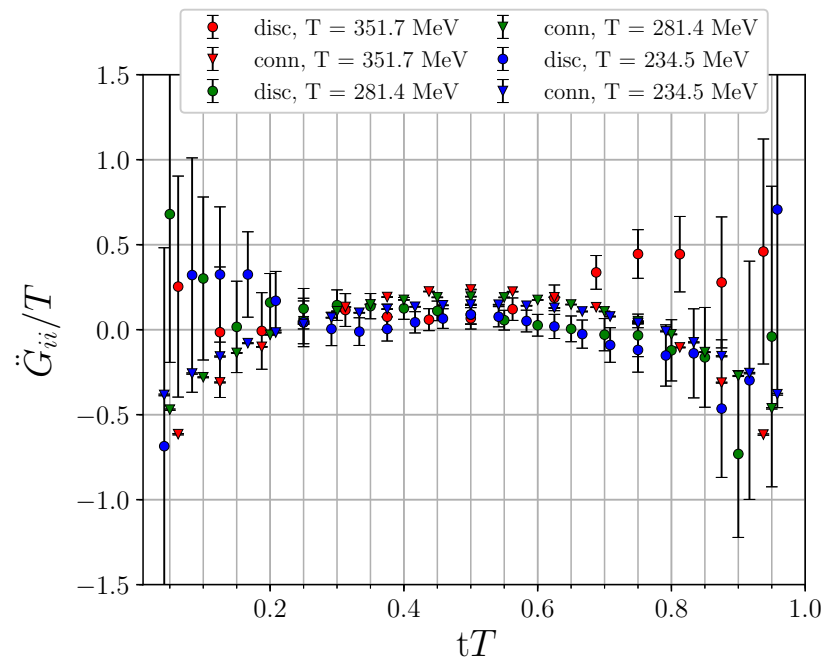


axial charge

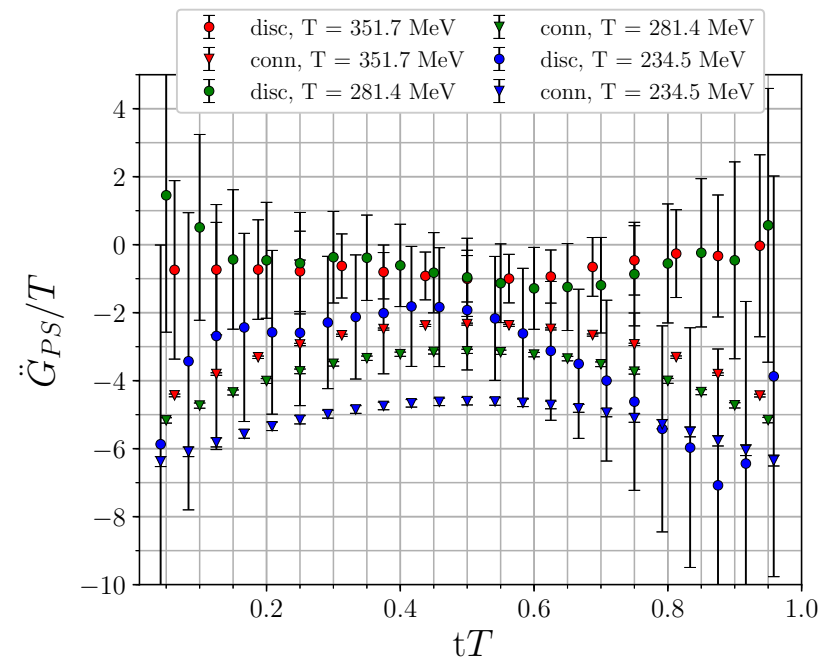
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# Disconnected contributions

- disconnected parts (circles) of same order as connected parts (triangles) at high  $T$  ... sometimes ... in vector channel, not in pseudoscalar channel



vector



pseudoscalar

- more control at high  $T$  and especially low  $T$  needed

# Summary

- spectral features in thermal QCD
- FASTSUM anisotropic ensembles: lighter quarks
- properties of the chiral crossover with Wilson fermions
- nonzero chemical potential:
  - corrections to mesonic correlators
  - high temperature: anchored by noninteracting results
  - transition visible from deconfined to confined phase
  - disconnected contributions noisier as the temperature is reduced
  - more work needed
  - future baryonic correlators: linear correction in  $\mu$