

# Propagator in the SU(2) gluodynamics on a lattice at subcritical temperatures

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$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \text{Tr} \left( e^{-\beta H} \mathcal{O} \right) / \text{Tr} e^{-\beta H}, \quad \beta = \frac{1}{T}$$

- ▶ the temperature Green's functions

$$\frac{1}{Z} \sum_n \langle n | e^{-\beta H} T [A_{\mu_1}^{a_1}(\tau_1, \vec{x}_1) \dots A_{\mu_r}^{a_r}(\tau_r, \vec{x}_r)] | n \rangle ;$$

- ▶ the free energy of a quark–antiquark pair

$$\exp \left( -\beta F_{q(\vec{x}), \bar{q}(\vec{y})} \right) = \langle L(\vec{x}) L^\dagger(\vec{y}) \rangle$$

$$L(x) = \frac{1}{2} P \exp \left( \frac{ga}{2i} \int_0^\beta A_0^a(\tau, \vec{x}) \sigma^a d\tau \right)$$

We compute the “gluon” propagator in the  $SU(2)$  theory at the temperature  $T = \frac{1}{\beta}$ , defined (in general) as follows:

$$D_{\mu\nu}^{bc}(\tau, \vec{x}) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \int_{A_\mu(0, \vec{x}) = A_\mu(\beta, \vec{x})} DA_\mu^a(x) A_\mu^b(\tau, \vec{x}) A_\mu^c(0, 0) e^{-S_E[A]} |\det M_{FP}(A)| \quad (1)$$

$$S_E[A] = \int_0^\beta d\tau \int_V d^3\vec{x} \left( \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\mu\nu}^a + \frac{1}{2\alpha} (\partial_\mu A_\mu^a)^2 \right) \quad (2)$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int DA_\mu^a(x) e^{-S_E[A]} |\det M_{FP}(A)| \quad (3)$$

$$D_{\mu\nu}^{bc}(\tau, \vec{x}) = \delta^{bc} D_{\mu\nu}(\tau, \vec{x})$$

$$(D(\rho))^{-1}_{\mu\nu} = (D^0(\rho))^{-1}_{\mu\nu}(\rho) - \Pi_{\mu\nu}(\rho)$$

$$\rho_\mu \Pi_{\mu\nu}(\rho) = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\rho_\mu \rho_\nu D_{\mu\nu}(\rho) = \alpha$$

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = G(\rho)P_{\mu\nu}^T + F(\rho)P_{\mu\nu}^L \quad (5)$$

$$P_{\mu\nu}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta_{ij} - \frac{p_i p_j}{|\vec{p}|^2} \end{pmatrix} \quad P_{\mu\nu}^L = \frac{1}{p^2} \begin{pmatrix} |\vec{p}|^2 & p_4 \vec{p} \\ p_4 \vec{p} & \frac{p_4^2}{|\vec{p}|^2} p_i p_j \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_\mu P_{\mu\nu}^L = p_\mu P_{\mu\nu}^T = 0$$

$$P_{\mu\nu}^{L,T} P_{\nu\lambda}^{L,T} = P_{\mu\lambda}^{L,T}, \quad P_{\mu\nu}^L P_{\nu\lambda}^T = 0$$

$$P_{\mu\mu}^L = 1, \quad P_{\mu\mu}^T = 2$$

$$D_{\mu\nu}(p) = D_L(p)P_{\mu\nu}^L + D_T(p)P_{\mu\nu}^T + \alpha \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^4}$$

$$D_L(p) = \frac{1}{p^2 - F(p)}, \quad D_T(p) = \frac{1}{p^2 - G(p)}$$

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = F(p)P_{\mu\nu}^L + G(p)P_{\mu\nu}^T$$

The quantities under study:

$$D_{ii}(|\vec{p}|^2) = 2D_T(0, \vec{p}), \quad D_{44}(|\vec{p}|^2) = D_L(0, \vec{p}),$$

We consider  $\alpha = 0$  (the Landau gauge)

$$S = \frac{4}{g^2} \sum_{P=x,\mu,\nu} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr } U_P \right)$$

where

$$U_P = U_{x,\mu} U_{x+\hat{\mu},\nu} U_{x+\hat{\nu},\mu}^\dagger U_{x,\nu}^\dagger$$

$$U_{x,\mu} \in SU(2),$$

$$U_{x,\mu} = u_0 + i \sum_{a=1}^3 u_a \sigma_a, \quad (6)$$

$$A_\mu^a = -\frac{2U_\mu^a}{ga}, \quad (7)$$

$$\Lambda : U_{x,\mu} \rightarrow \Lambda_x^\dagger U_{x,\mu} \Lambda_{x+\hat{\mu}},$$

We fix the **absolute** Landau gauge by finding the **global** maximum of the functional

$$\mathcal{F}[U] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,\mu} \text{Tr } U_{x,\mu}, \quad (8)$$

Stationarity condition:

$$\partial_\nu A_\nu^a = 0.$$



$$A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu^\Lambda = (\Lambda Z)^\dagger A_\mu (\Lambda Z) + \frac{i}{g} (\Lambda Z)^\dagger \partial_\mu (\Lambda Z).$$



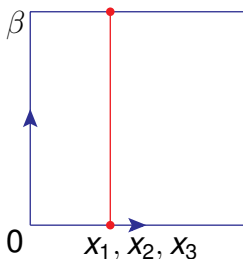
$$A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu^\Lambda = \Lambda^\dagger A_\mu \Lambda + \frac{i}{g} \Lambda^\dagger \partial_\mu \Lambda.$$

In the case of  $SU(2)$

$$Z \in \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Gauge transformation is the same on both sides!

## Center symmetry in the continuum case



We extend the gauge group by nonperiodic gauge transformations:

$$\Lambda(\beta, \vec{x}) = Z\Lambda(0, \vec{x}) \text{ etc.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P \exp \left( ig \int_0^\beta A_0(\tau, \vec{x}) d\tau \right) &= \\ &= L(\vec{x}) \longrightarrow L(\vec{x})Z \end{aligned}$$

Thus the Hilbert space is broken into 16 superselection sectors

$$\mathbb{Z}_2^{D+1} = \mathcal{G}^E / \mathcal{G}$$

$\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{G}^E)$  is the (extended) gauge group.

$$\exp(-\beta F_{q\bar{q}}) = \langle L(\vec{x})L^\dagger(\vec{y}) \rangle = \frac{1}{4} \left( e^{-\beta V_1(r)} + 3e^{-\beta V_3(r)} \right)$$

Assuming clustering, we conclude that, as  $r = |\vec{y} - \vec{x}| \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\langle L(\vec{x})L^\dagger(\vec{y}) \rangle \rightarrow |\langle L \rangle|^2.$$

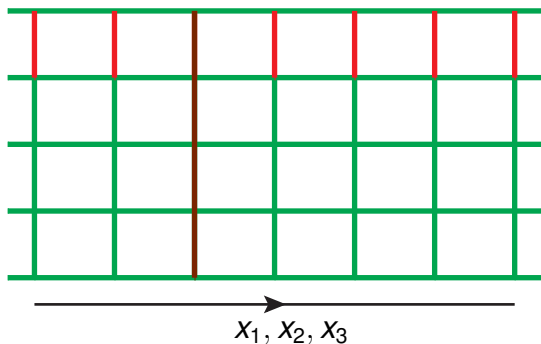
$|\langle L \rangle| = 0 \implies$  confinement

$|\langle L \rangle| \neq 0 \implies$  deconfinement IN PURE GAUGE THEORY

$\langle L \rangle$  furnishes the average in a given sector; i.e., average over configurations that can be approached at a finite time.

Average over time differs from the ensemble average

$\implies$  Spontaneous breaking of the center symmetry at  $T = T_c$



$$L(x_1, x_2, x_3) \rightarrow -L(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

Center symmetry:

$$\mathbb{Z}_2 : U_{x,\mu} \rightarrow -U_{x,\mu}$$

$$T > T_c$$

spontaneous  
breaking of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$   
signals transition  
to deconfinement:

Free energy  
of a free quark  
becomes finite

## Simulations on $N_s^3 \times N_t$ lattices

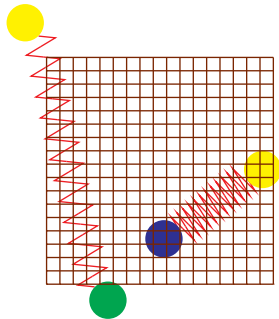
$\beta = 4/g^2$	2.478	2.488	2.495	2.501	2.506	2.508	2.509	2.510
$1/a$ (GeV)	2.143	2.213	2.263	2.307	2.344	2.359	2.367	2.374
$T/T_c$	0.901	0.931	0.952	0.970	0.986	0.992	0.996	0.999

Table :  $N_t = 8$

Simulations are performed at  $N_s = 32, 40, 48, 56, 64, 78$ ;  
for  $\beta = 2.506, 2.510$  we also consider  $N_s = 88$ .

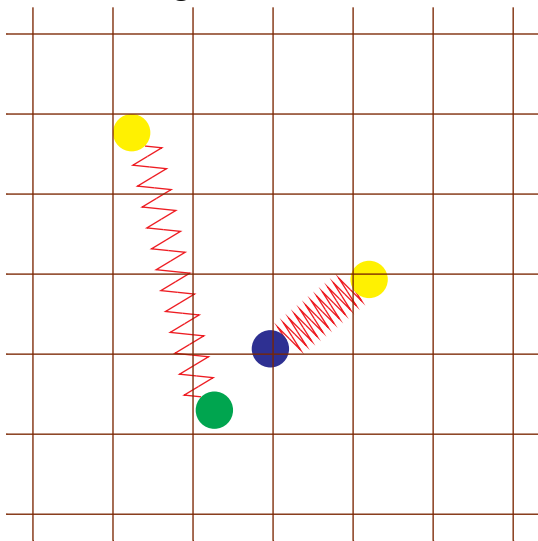
$$\sqrt{\sigma} = 440 \text{ MeV}$$

continuum limit  $a \rightarrow 0$

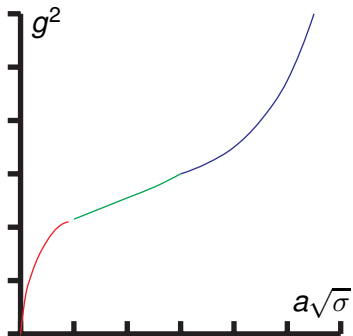


Weak coupling

## Scale fixing



Strong coupling (TD limit,  $b \rightarrow \infty$ )



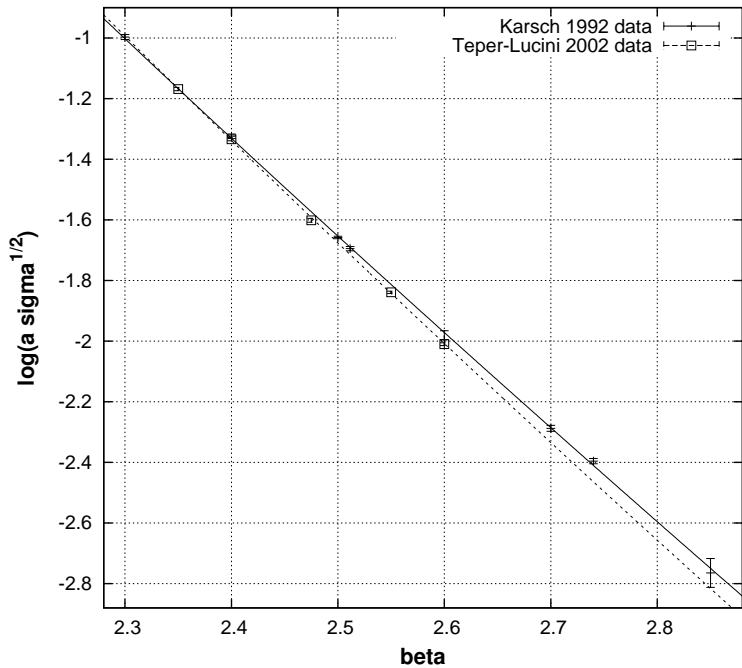
$$T = \frac{1}{aN_t}$$

$$a\Lambda = \left( \frac{b_0 g^2}{16\pi^2} \right)^{-b_1/b_0^2} \exp\left( \frac{-8\pi^2}{b_0 g^2} \right),$$

$$b_0 = \frac{22}{3}, \quad b_1 = \frac{68}{3}.$$

$$\ln(\sigma a^2) = -\frac{4\pi^2}{b_0}\beta + \frac{2b_1}{b_0^2} \ln\left( \frac{4\pi^2}{b_0}\beta \right) + c' + \frac{4\pi^2}{b_0} \frac{d'}{\beta}$$

For a gauge and/or scheme dependence of  $\Lambda_{QCD}$  see  
 R.Dashen, D.J.Gross, Phys.Rev.**D23** (1981) p.2340.





$$T = \frac{\sqrt{\sigma}}{N_t} \exp \left( - \frac{3\pi^2}{11} f(\beta, c, d) \right),$$

$$f(\beta, c, d) = -\beta + \frac{17}{11\pi^2} \ln \beta + c + \frac{d}{\beta}.$$

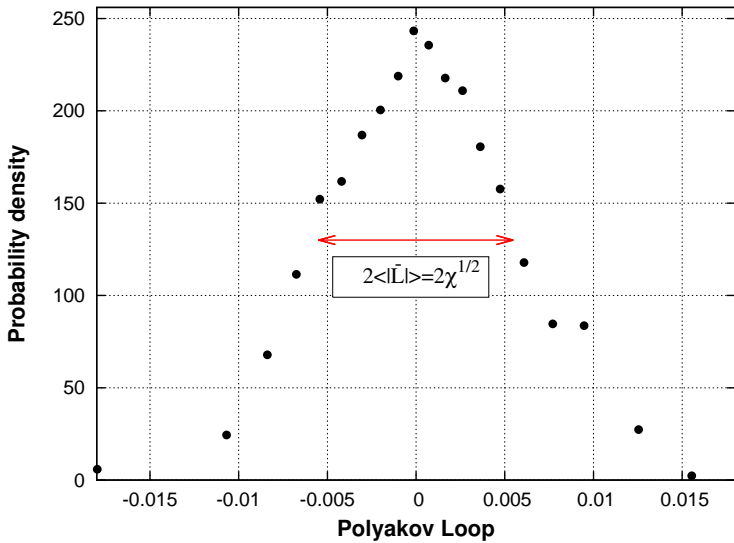
Results of the fit to the Karsch data

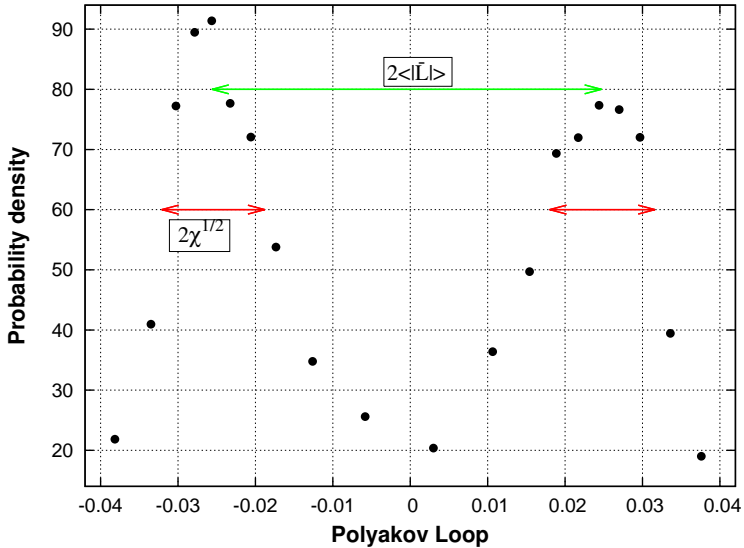
$$c = 0.110(21), \quad d = 1.58(5), \quad \chi^2/N_{dof} = 1.02, \quad N_{dof} = 6.$$

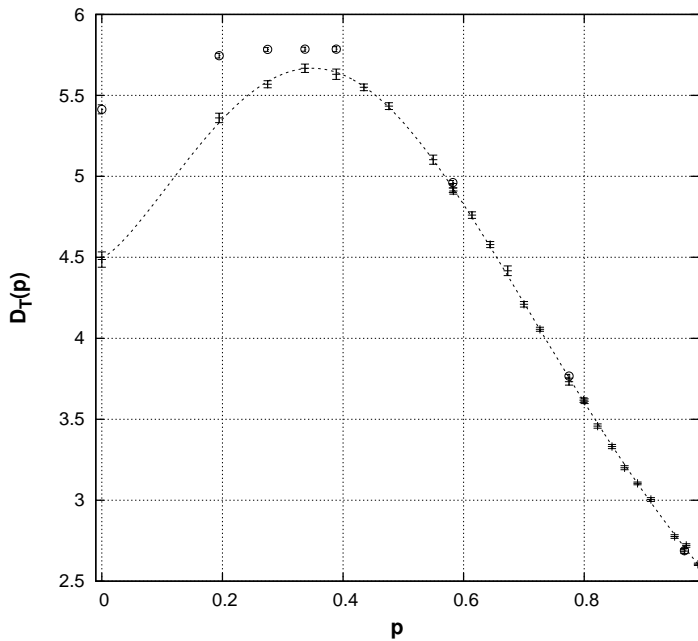
Correlation between  $c$  and  $d > 99\%$

The combined fit using both Karsch and Teper-Lucini data gives

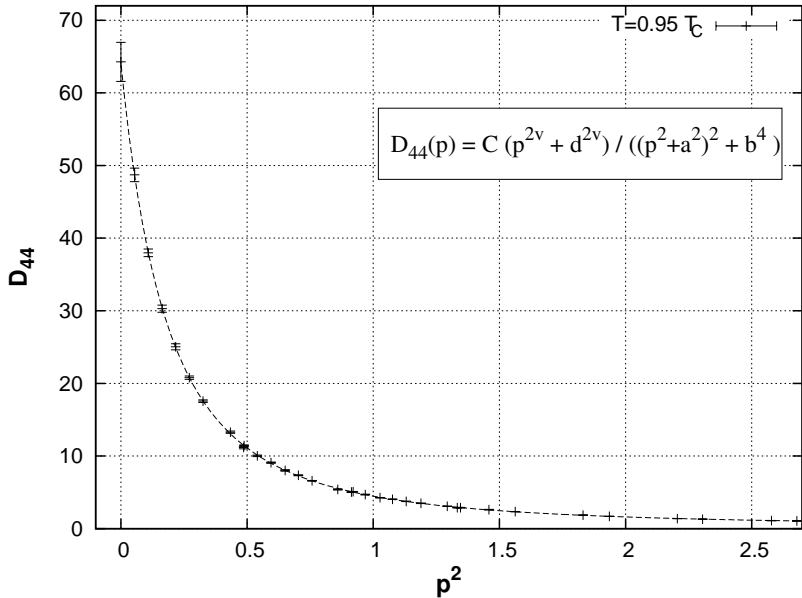
$$\chi^2/N_{dof} = 6.14, \quad N_{dof} = 11, \quad Q(\chi^2, N_{dof}) < 1.4 \times 10^{-9}$$







The effect of Gribov copies



Definition of the electric gluon (color-screening) mass:

$$\frac{1}{D_{44}(p)} = Z (m_e^2 + p^2 + O(p^4))$$

At  $p \leq 1 \text{ GeV}$ ,

$$D_{44}(p) \simeq \frac{C}{(\mu^2 + p^2)^2 + rp^4} \quad \text{with } r \approx 0, \quad (\mu = m_e\sqrt{2})$$

Perturbation theory for  $SU(2)$ :  $m_e = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}gT \sim 310 \text{ MeV}$   
— however, in the Feynman and  $A_0 = 0$  gauges;  $g \simeq 1.25$ .

## Normalization conditions for the longitudinal propagator

- ▶ (MOM):  $D^{MOM}(p)|_{p^2=\mu^2} = \frac{1}{\hat{p}^2}, \quad \hat{p}_\mu = \frac{2}{a} \sin \frac{p_\mu a}{2}.$
- ▶ (NAT):  $\frac{1}{D^{NAT}(p)} = m_e^2 + p^2 + \underline{O}(p^4).$

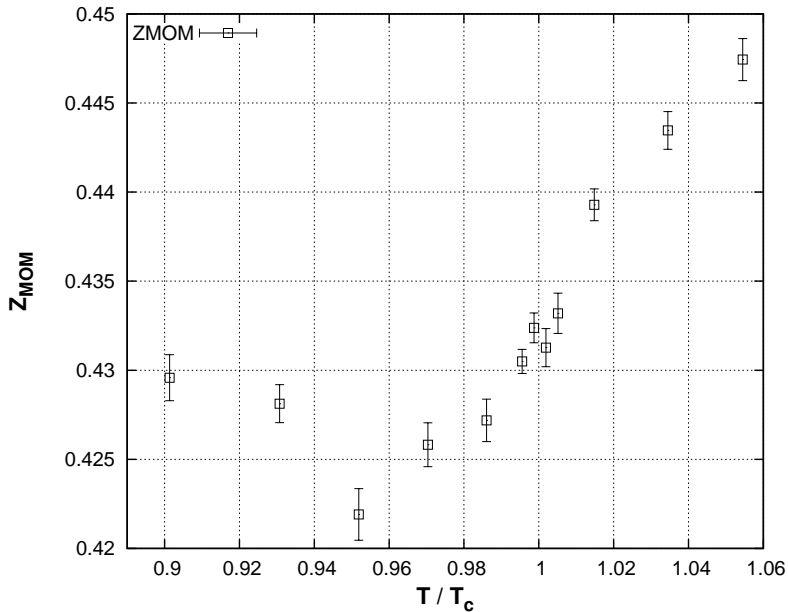
$$D^{NAT}(p) = Z_{NAT} D^{bare}(p), \quad D^{MOM}(p) = Z_{MOM} D^{bare}(p)$$

we consider three masses,

$$M_{bare} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D^{bare}(0)}}, \quad (9)$$

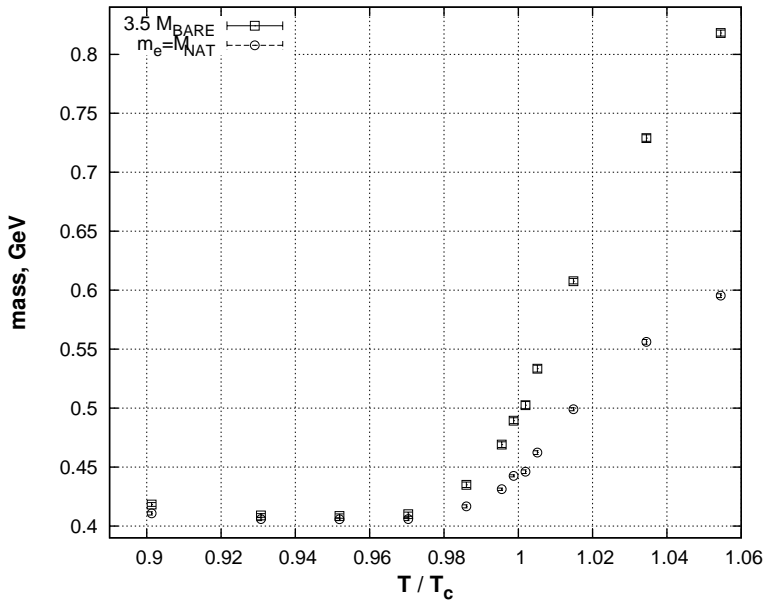
$$M_{NAT} \equiv m_e = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D^{NAT}(0)}} = \frac{M_{bare}}{\sqrt{Z_{NAT}}}, \quad (10)$$

$$M_{MOM} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D^{MOM}(0)}} = \frac{M_{bare}}{\sqrt{Z_{MOM}}}. \quad (11)$$



At  $T > T_c$ ,  $Z_{MOM} \simeq 0.423(6) + 0.064(12)\xi^{0.33(14)}$ ,  
 where  $\xi = T/T_c - 1$ .





Mass at  $N_s = 64$ ; lattice size  $b = 5.0 \div 5.8 fm$

Our data indicate that it is well to divide the mass into the constant (*conf*) and  $T$ -dependent (*QGP*) parts,

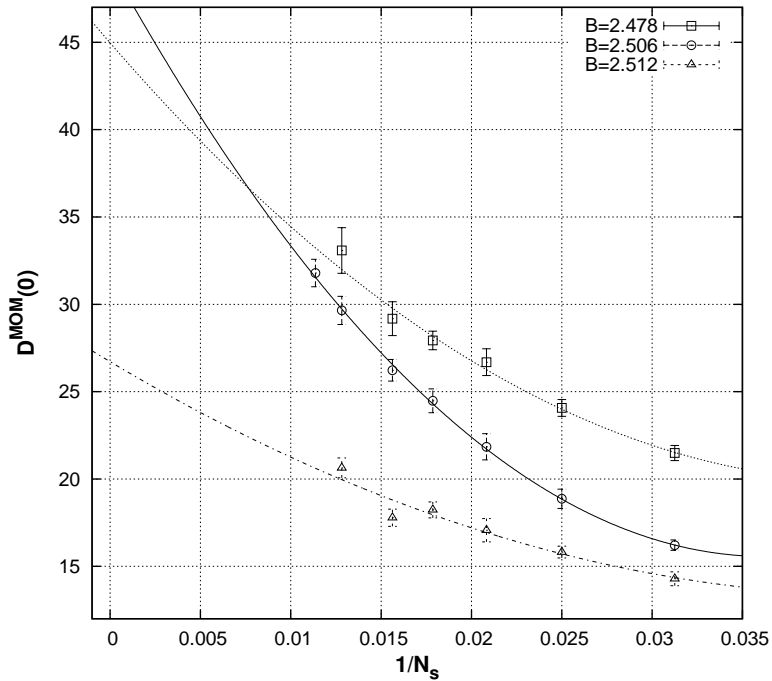
$$M_{bare} = m_{bare}^{conf} + m_{bare}^{QGP} \quad (12)$$

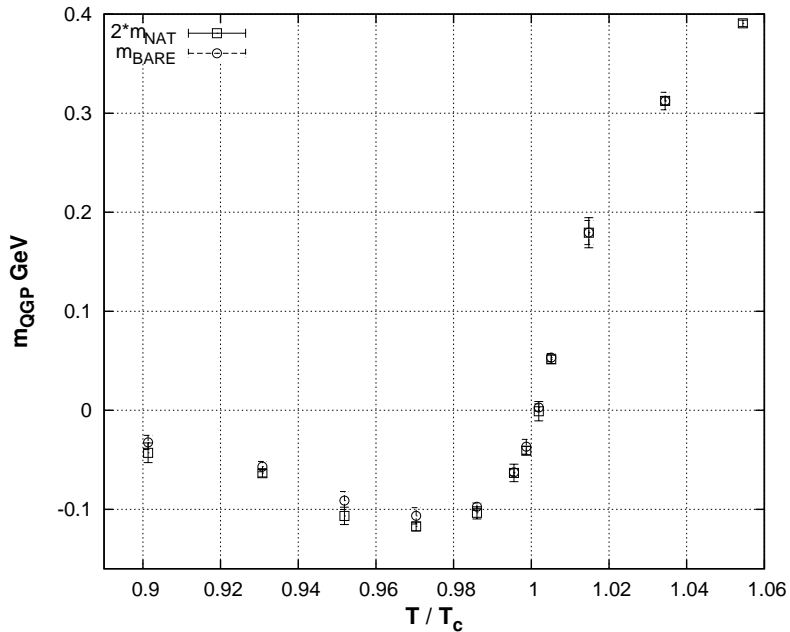
$$M_{NAT} = m_{NAT}^{conf} + m_{NAT}^{QGP} \quad (13)$$

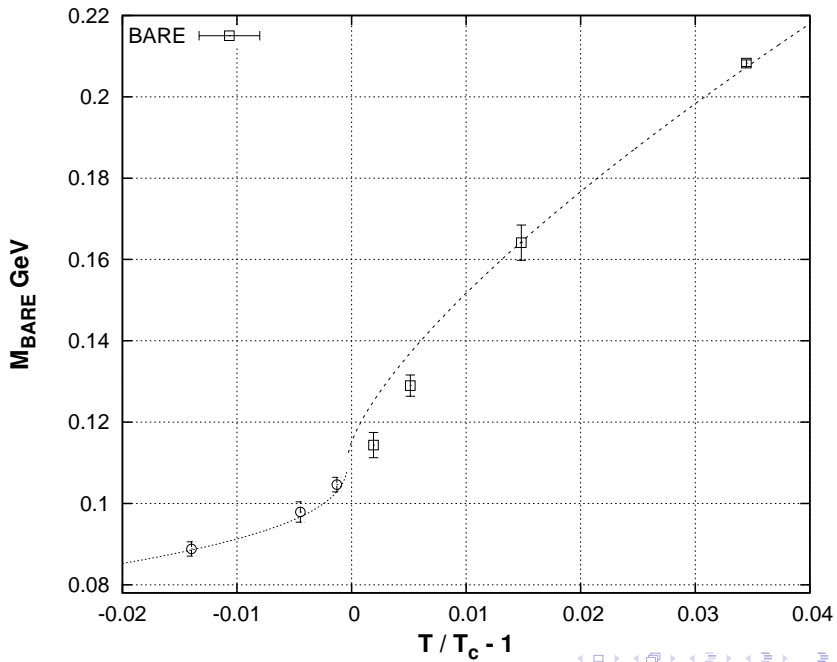
where  $m_{bare}^{conf} = 0.114$  GeV and  $m_{NAT}^{conf} = 0.4$  GeV throughout the range under consideration  $0.89T_c < T < 1.06T_c$ . In this case, we observe that

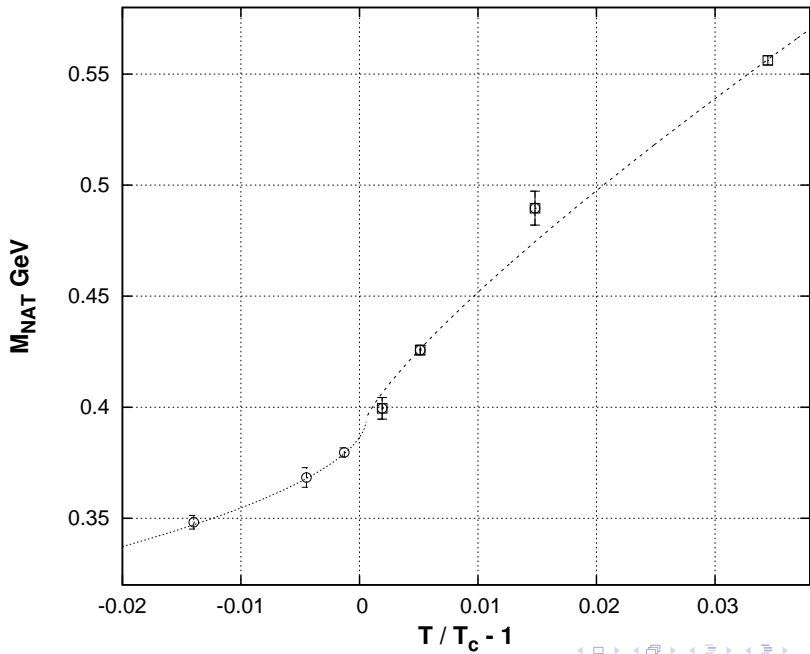
$$m_{NAT}^{conf} = \frac{m_{bare}^{conf}}{\sqrt{Z_{NAT}^{conf}}}, \quad m_{NAT}^{QGP} \approx \frac{m_{bare}^{QGP}}{2\sqrt{Z_{NAT}^{conf}}}, \quad (14)$$

$Z_{NAT}^{conf} \approx 0.0816$  is a temperature-independent quantity (at least, over the range  $0.89T_c < T < 1.06T_c$ ).









## PRELIMINARY RESULTS

We use the fit function ( $\xi = \frac{T}{T_c} - 1$ )

- ▶ at  $\xi > d$   $M_{NAT}(\xi) = m_{NAT}^{conf} + c(\xi - d)^b$
- ▶ at  $\xi < d$   $M_{NAT}(\xi) = m_{NAT}^{conf} - q(d - \xi)^p$

Critical exponents:

- ▶ BARE  $m_{BARE}^{crit} = 0.112 \text{ GeV}; b = 0.72, p = 0.36.$
- ▶ NAT  $m_{NAT}^{crit} = 0.395 \text{ GeV}; b = 0.63, p = 0.54.$

$$\frac{1}{D(p; N_s)} \simeq c_{00} + c_{20}p^2 + c_{40}p^4 + c_{60}p^6 \\ + c_{01}\frac{1}{N_s} + c_{21}\frac{p^2}{N_s} + c_{41}\frac{p^4}{N_s}$$

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## FISHER TEST

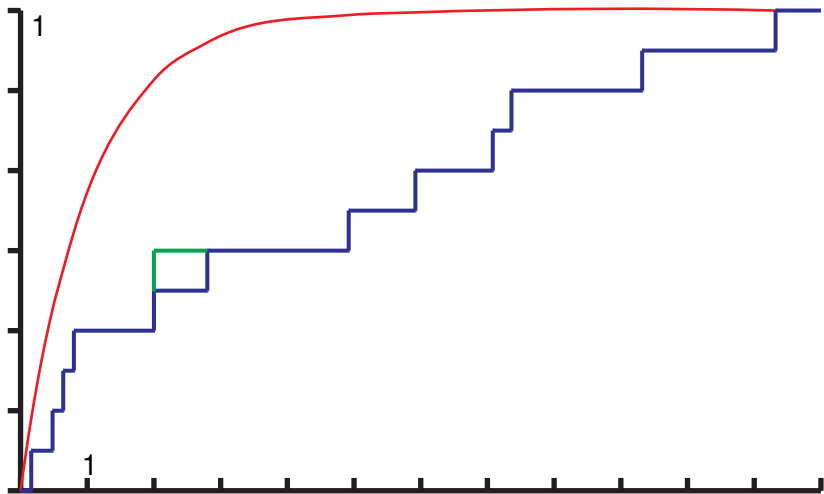
$$\chi_m = \sum_{i,j} \left( \frac{1}{D(p_i; N_s^{(j)})} - f_m(p_i, N_s^{(j)}) \right)^2 / \delta_{ij}^2$$

- residual sum of squares

$$x = \frac{\frac{\chi_n^2 - \chi_m^2}{m - n}}{\frac{\chi_m^2}{N_{dof} - m}} \quad \text{has the Fisher CDF } P_{m-n, n}(\xi < x)$$

Fisher probability density function

$$f_{2p, 2q}(x) = \frac{dP_{2p, 2q}(\xi < x)}{dx} = \frac{\Gamma(p+q)}{\Gamma(p)\Gamma(q)} \frac{x^{p-1}}{(1-x)^{p+q}}$$



## Kolmogorov-Smirnov test

$$\sqrt{N} \sup_x |F_N(x) - F_{theor}(x)|$$

is Kolmogorov distributed.

Kolmogorov function has the form

$$K(x) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} (-1)^j e^{-2j^2 x^2}$$

In our case,  $x = 1.813$  and  $K(x) = 0.997$ ;

A minimal change in the empirical CDF gives  $K(x) = 0.9787$