

Quark mass effects in QCD thermodynamics

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Motivation

how to check QCD vs Reality?

- just solve its eqs
 - ▷ by computer (lattice); tough; 'oracle'; understand?!
- consider models 'close to QCD'
 - ▷ fewer dims; different sy groups; diff particle content
- consider 'extreme' circumstances in which eqs simplify
 - ▷ remainder of this talk

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Why thermal QCD?

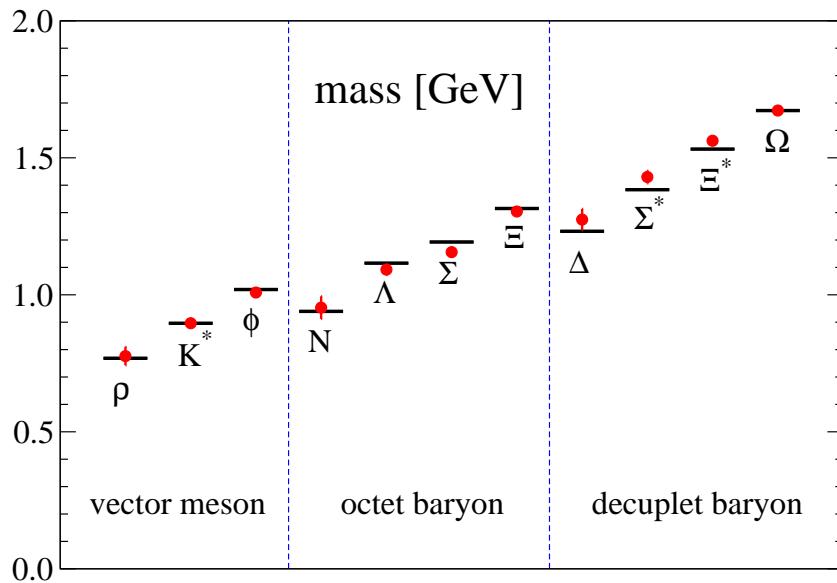
- study confinement and chiral symmetry breaking
- phenomenologically relevant for cosmology
- phenomenologically relevant for RHIC, LHC
- theoretical limit tractable with analytic methods
 - ▷ goal: no models - stay within QCD!
 - ▷ goal: possibility of systematic improvements

Motivation

solve QCD eqs by computer

- look at hadron spectrum

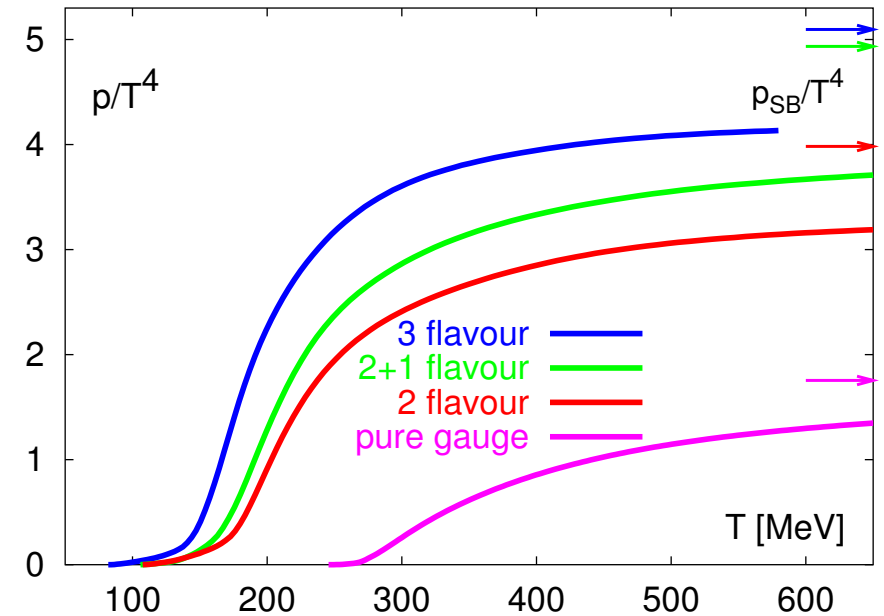
[e.g. Aoki et al., PACS-CS 2008]



- punchline: QCD postdicts the low-lying hadron masses!
- teraflop speeds, worldwide effort

- look at QCD pressure

[e.g. Karsch et al.]

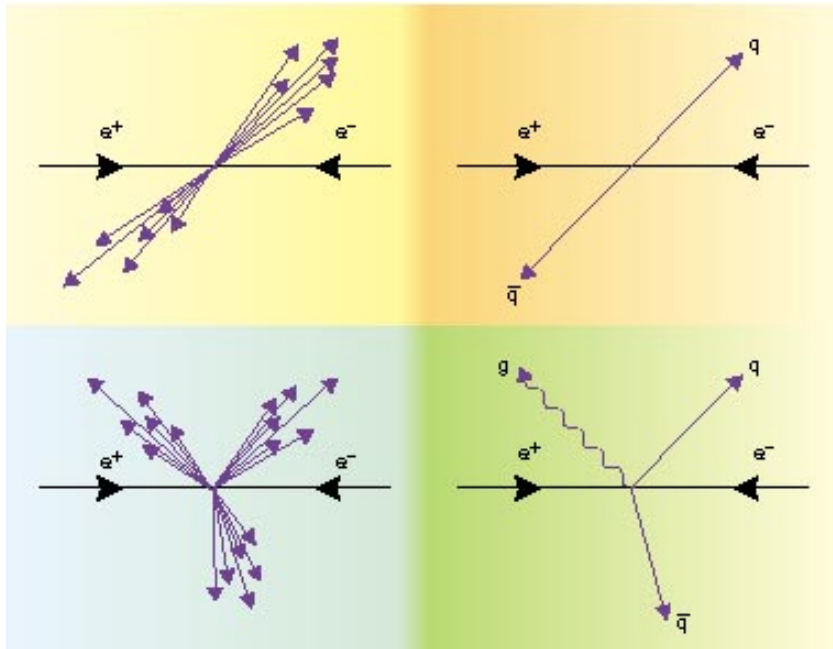


- confirms liberation of dofs:
 $\pi \rightarrow qu + gl$
- simple asymptotics: ideal gas

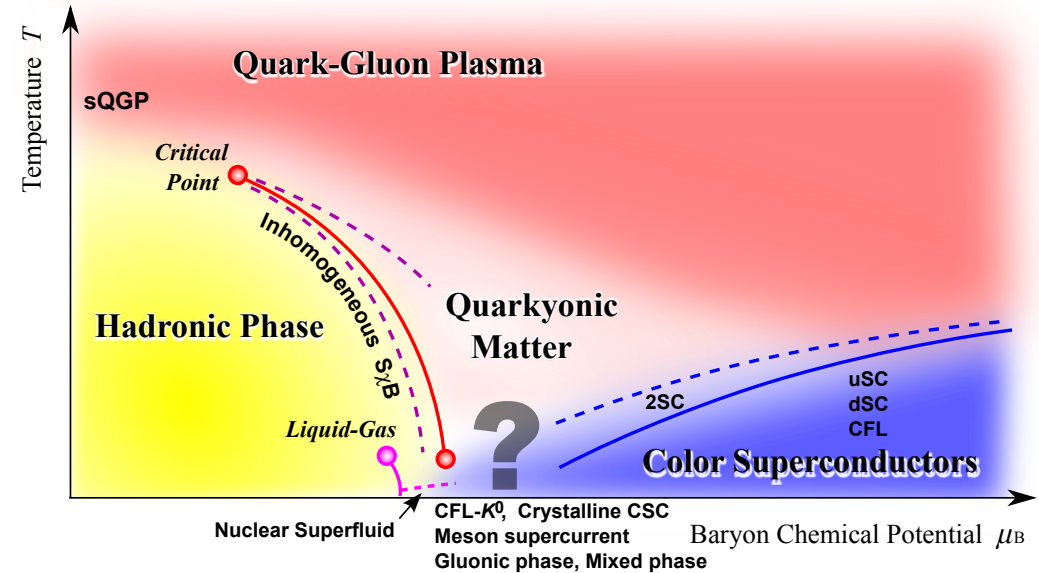
Motivation

check QCD in extreme conditions

- $E \uparrow$: collider physics



- $T \uparrow, \mu \uparrow$: equilibrium phase diagram



[Fukushima/Hatsuda 2010]

- e.g. LEP, $e^+e^- \rightarrow X$
- check details of theory with jets
- nowadays: calc QCD background

- nature: early universe, n/qu stars
- $T_c \sim 170 \text{ MeV} \sim 10 \mu\text{s}$
- lab expt: SPS / RHIC / LHC HI / GSI

Motivation

Focus on equilibrium thermodynamics of QCD

- typical questions to be addressed
 - ▷ equation of state (EoS)
 - ▷ structure of QCD phase diagram
transition lines, order of transitions, critical points
 - ▷ medium properties: spectral functions, correlation lengths, ...

Interplay of methods

- QGP is strongly coupled system near $T_c \Rightarrow$ need e.g. LAT
- asymptotic freedom at high $T \Rightarrow$ weak-coupling approach in continuum
 - ▷ cave: strict loop expansion not well-defined
IR divergences at higher orders
- try to use best of both

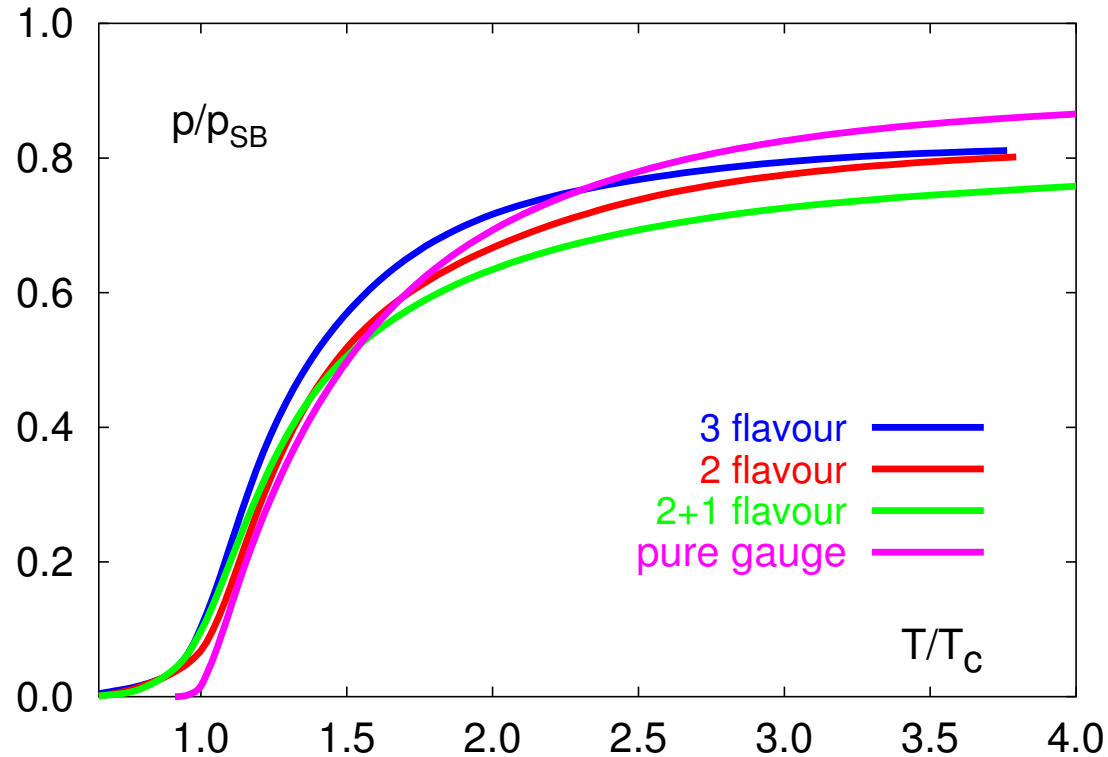
[Linde 79; Gross/Pisarski/Yaffe 81]

Discuss

- effective theories (here: $\mu = 0$; $\mu \lesssim T$ similar)
- basic thermodynamic observable: pressure $p(T)$
- quark mass effects on EoS
- (strong consistency check: spatial string tension)

[\Leftarrow main playground]

Once more $p(T)$ via (large) computer ($\mu_B = 0$)



[lattice data from Karsch et al.]

at $T \rightarrow \infty$, expect ideal gas: $p_{SB} = \left(16 + \frac{21}{2}N_f\right) \frac{\pi^2 T^4}{90}$

confirms simplicity: 3 dofs (π) \rightarrow 52 ($3 \times 3 \times 2 \times 2$ qu + 8×2 gl)

Energy scales in hot QCD

Interactions make QCD a **multi-scale system**

At asymptotically high T , $g \ll 1 \Rightarrow$ clean separation of 3 scales
expansion parameter:

$$g^2 n_b(|k|) = \frac{g^2}{e^{|k|/T} - 1} \quad \begin{array}{l} |k| \lesssim T \\ \approx \end{array} \frac{g^2 T}{|k|}$$

- $|k| \sim \pi T$ aka 'hard': fully perturbative at high T
thermal fluctuations; effective mass of non-static field modes
- $|k| \sim gT$ aka 'soft': dynamically generated; barely perturbative at high T
inverse screening length of static color-electric fluctuations; thermal/Debye mass
- $|k| \sim g^2 T$ aka 'ultrasoft': dynamically generated; non-perturbative at high T
inverse screening length of static color-magnetic fluctuations; 'magnetic mass'
- no smaller momentum scales / larger length scales due to confinement

treatment of a multi-scale system: **effective field theory !**

$p(T)$ via weak-coupling expansion

need to explain 20% deviation from ideal gas at $T \sim 4T_c$

- structure of pert series is non-trivial !

- $$p(T) \equiv \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T}{V} \ln \int \mathcal{D}[A_\mu^a, \psi, \bar{\psi}] \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\hbar} \int_0^{\hbar/T} d\tau \int d^{3-2\epsilon}x \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}^E\right)$$
$$= c_0 + c_2 g^2 + c_3 g^3 + (c'_4 \ln g + c_4) g^4 + c_5 g^5 + (c'_6 \ln g + c_6) g^6 + \mathcal{O}(g^7)$$

[c_2 Shuryak 78, c_3 Kapusta 79, c'_4 Toimela 83, c_4 Arnold/Zhai 94, c_5 Zhai/Kastening 95, Braaten/Nieto 96, c'_6 KLRS 03]

- root cause of nonanalytic (in α_s) behavior well understood: above-mentioned dynamically generated scales
- clean separation best understood in effective field theory setup [here: $\mu = 0$]
 - ▷ generalizations, e.g. $\mu \neq 0$ [Vuorinen], standard model [Gynther/Vepsäläinen]
- other re-organizations possible, e.g. 2PI skeleton-expansion [eg Blaizot/Iancu/Rebhan]

Effective theory prediction for $p(T)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{p_{\text{QCD}}(T)}{p_{\text{SB}}} &= \frac{p_{\text{E}}(T)}{p_{\text{SB}}} + \frac{p_{\text{M}}(T)}{p_{\text{SB}}} + \frac{p_{\text{G}}(T)}{p_{\text{SB}}} \quad , \quad p_{\text{SB}} = \left(16 + \frac{21}{2}N_f\right) \frac{\pi^2 T^4}{90} \\
 &= 1 + g^2 + g^4 + g^6 + \dots && \leftarrow \text{4d QCD} \\
 &\quad + g^3 + g^4 + g^5 + g^6 + \dots && \leftarrow \text{3d adj H} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{p_{\text{SB}}} \frac{T}{V} \int \mathcal{D}[A_k^a] \exp(-S_{\text{M}}) && \leftarrow \text{3d YM}
 \end{aligned}$$

- this could be coined the *physical leading-order (!) approximation*
- collect contributions to $p(T)$ from **all** physical scales
 - ▷ weak coupling, effective field theory setup
 - ▷ faithfully adding up all Feynman diagrams
 - ▷ get long-distance input from clean lattice observable:

$$p_{\text{G}}(T) \equiv \frac{T}{V} \ln \int \mathcal{D}[A_k^a] \exp(-S_{\text{M}}) = T \# g_{\text{M}}^6$$

only one **non-perturbative** (but computable!) coeff needed: 5×10^{16} flops

Open problem at LO

g^6 needs 4-loop sum-integrals

- a single **one** has already been computed
 - ▷ painfully disentangled (sub-)divergences by hand
 - ▷ constant term only numerically
 - ▷ gave the g^6 term in scalar ϕ^4
 - ▷ fermionic generalization for $g^6 N_f^3$ in QCD

[GLSTV 08]

[Gynther et al. 09]

$$\sum_{PQRS} \frac{1}{P^2(P+S)^2 Q^2(Q+S)^2 R^2(R+S)^2} = \frac{T^4}{(4\pi)^4} \frac{1}{16\epsilon^2} \left[1 + \epsilon t_{11} + \epsilon^2 t_{12} + \dots \right]$$

$$\text{with } t_{11} = \frac{44}{5} - 4\gamma_E + 12 \frac{\zeta'(-1)}{\zeta(-1)} - 4\zeta(3) - \zeta(2)$$

- in QCD, need $\mathcal{O}(10^8)$ of them; reduction in progress
- masters: ideas to profit from algorithmic $T = 0$ methods not fruitful (yet?)
 - ▷ as used - and tested extensively - for the 3d part
 - ▷ reduction with one generic index, difference eqs
 - ▷ do dimensional recurrences help?
 - ▷ use sector decomposition in 3d piece; sum over 'masses' in the end
 - ▷ factorize sum and integrals via MB; generalized Zetas under MB ints
- find a smart duality to map the problem to sth simpler?

[Laporta 00]

[Lee 10]

$p(T)$ beyond LO: $g^6 \rightarrow g^7 \rightarrow g^8$

$$\frac{p_E}{p_{SB}} = \#_{(0)} + \#_{(2)}g^2 + \#_{(4)}g^4 + \#_{(6)}g^6 + [4d \text{ 5loop 0pt}]_{(8)} + \dots(10)$$

$$g_E^2 = T \left[g^2 + \#_{(6)}g^4 + \#_{(8)}g^6 + \#_{(10)}g^8 + \dots(12) \right]$$

$$\lambda_E = T \left[\#_{(6)}g^4 + \#_{(8)}g^6 + \dots(10) \right]$$

$$m_E^2 = T^2 \left[\#_{(3)}g^2 + \#_{(5)}g^4 + [4d \text{ 3loop 2pt}]_{(7)} + \dots(9) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{p_M}{p_{SB}} = & \frac{m_E^3}{T^3} \left[\#_{(3)} + \frac{g_E^2}{m_E} \left(\#_{(4)} + \#_{(6)} \frac{\lambda_E}{g_E^2} \right) + \left(\frac{g_E^2}{m_E} \right)^2 \left(\#_{(5)} + \#_{(7)} \frac{\lambda_E}{g_E^2} + \#_{(9)} \left(\frac{\lambda_E}{g_E^2} \right)^2 \right) \right. \\ & + \left. \left(\frac{g_E^2}{m_E} \right)^3 \left(\#_{(6)} + \#_{(8)} \frac{\lambda_E}{g_E^2} + \#_{(10)} \left(\frac{\lambda_E}{g_E^2} \right)^2 + \#_{(12)} \left(\frac{\lambda_E}{g_E^2} \right)^3 \right) \right] \\ & + [3d \text{ 5loop 0pt}]_{(7)} + [\delta \mathcal{L}_E]_{(7)} + [3d \text{ 6loop 0pt}]_{(8)} + \dots(9) \end{aligned}$$

$$g_M^2 = g_E^2 \left[1 + \#_{(7)} \frac{g_E^2}{m_E} + \left(\frac{g_E^2}{m_E} \right)^2 \left(\#_{(8)} + \#_{(10)} \frac{\lambda_E}{g_E^2} \right) + \dots(9) \right]$$

$$\frac{p_G}{p_{SB}} = \#_{(6)} \left(\frac{g_M^2}{T} \right)^3 + [\delta \mathcal{L}_M]_{(9)}$$

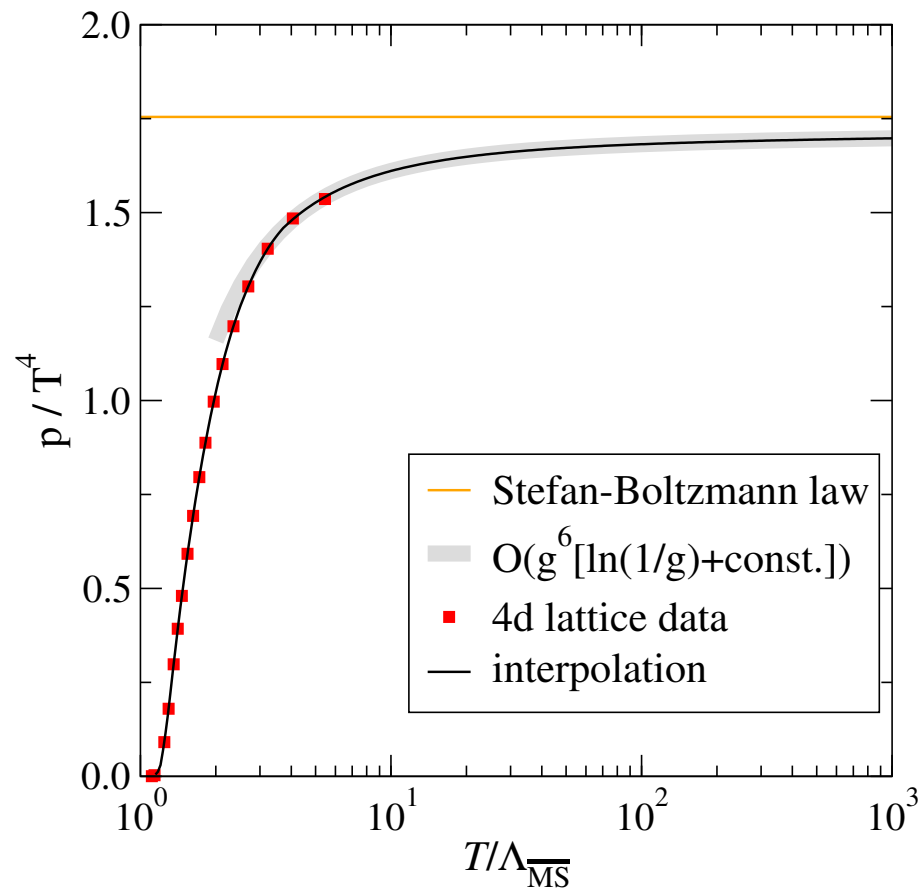
notation: $\#_{(n)}$ enters p_{QCD} at g^n

[cave: no $\frac{1}{\epsilon} + 1 + \epsilon$, no IR/UV, and no logs shown above]

Results: estimating $p(T, N_f=0)$ at LO

while working on the open problems at LO ...

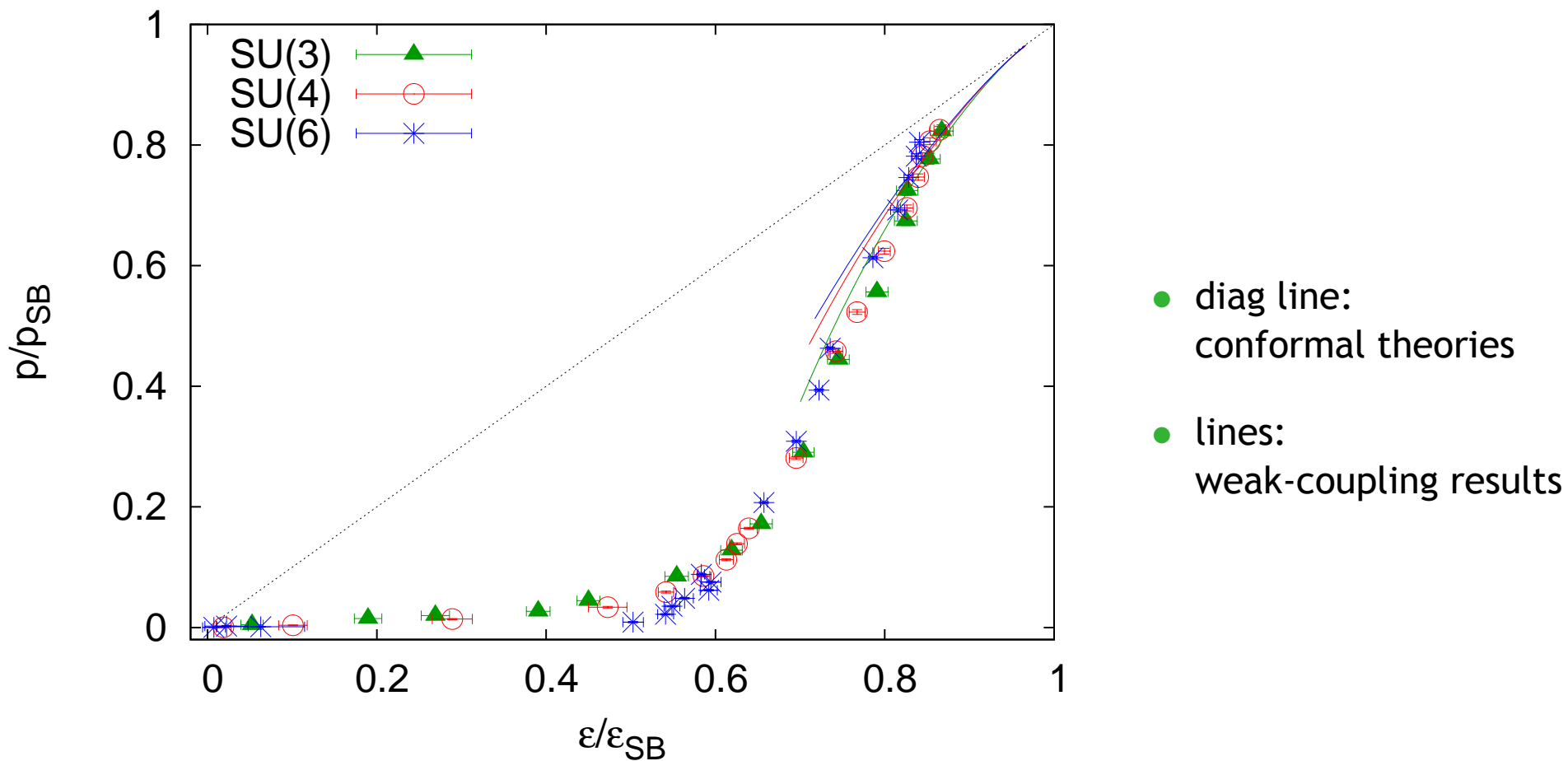
- want to show results / tackle simpler problems / do phenomenology
- strive for best possible description of pure-gluon sector



- fix unknown perturbative $\mathcal{O}(g^6)$ coeff
- match to lattice data [Boyd et al. 96] at intermediate $T \sim 3-5T_c$
- translate via $T_c/\Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}} \approx 1.20$

Results: estimating $p(T, N_f=0)$ at LO

test the approach to conformality for pure YM theory



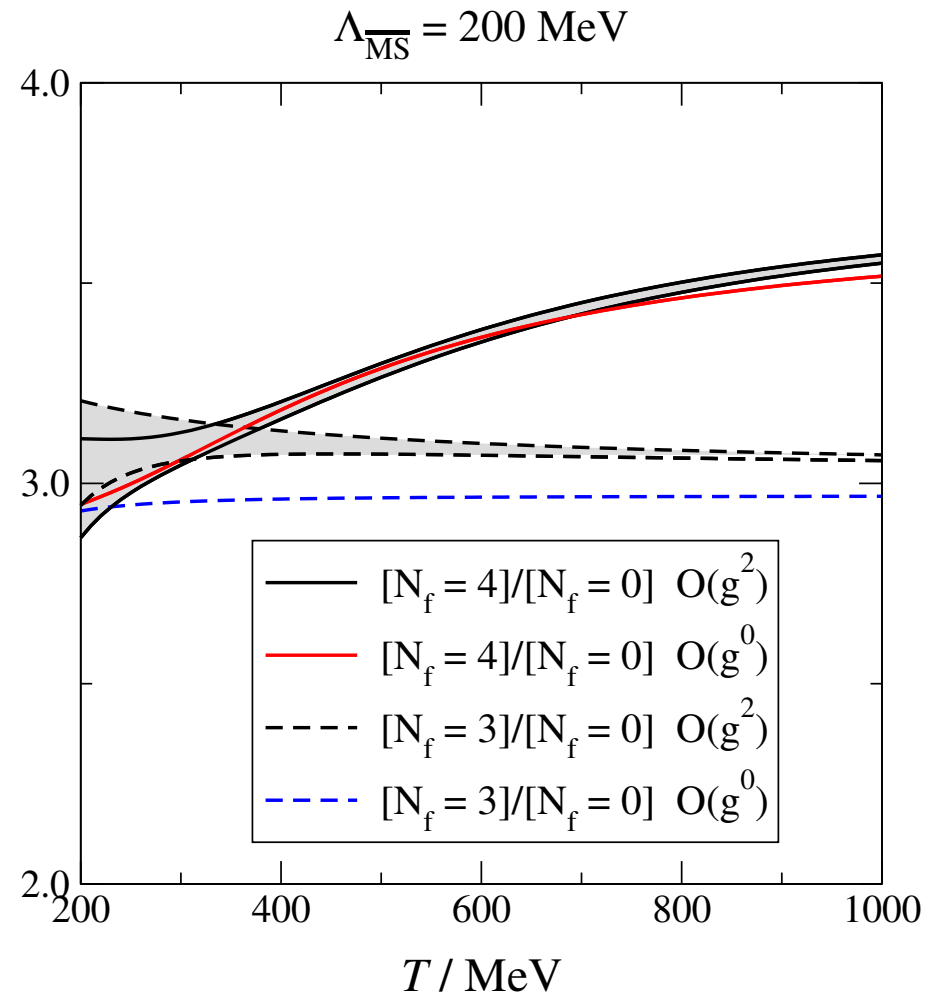
⇒ no window where a strongly coupled conformal theory describes SU(N) thermodynamics?!

[Datta/Gupta 2010]

Results: Quark mass dependence

analyze quark mass dependence to NLO

- strategy: 'unquenching'
start from $N_f = 0$, i.e. $m_q = \infty$
lower N_f quark masses to $m_{q,phys}$
at any T increases
- estimate this 'correction factor'
- approach is systematic
LO: $c_0(N_f)/c_0(0)$
NLO: $[c_0 + g^2 c_2](N_f) / [c_0 + g^2 c_2](0)$
- computed $c_{0,2}(T, N_c, N_f, m_i, \mu_i)$
- good convergence LO \rightarrow NLO
 - ▷ $N_f = 3$: 5% effect
 - ▷ $N_f = 4$: even better

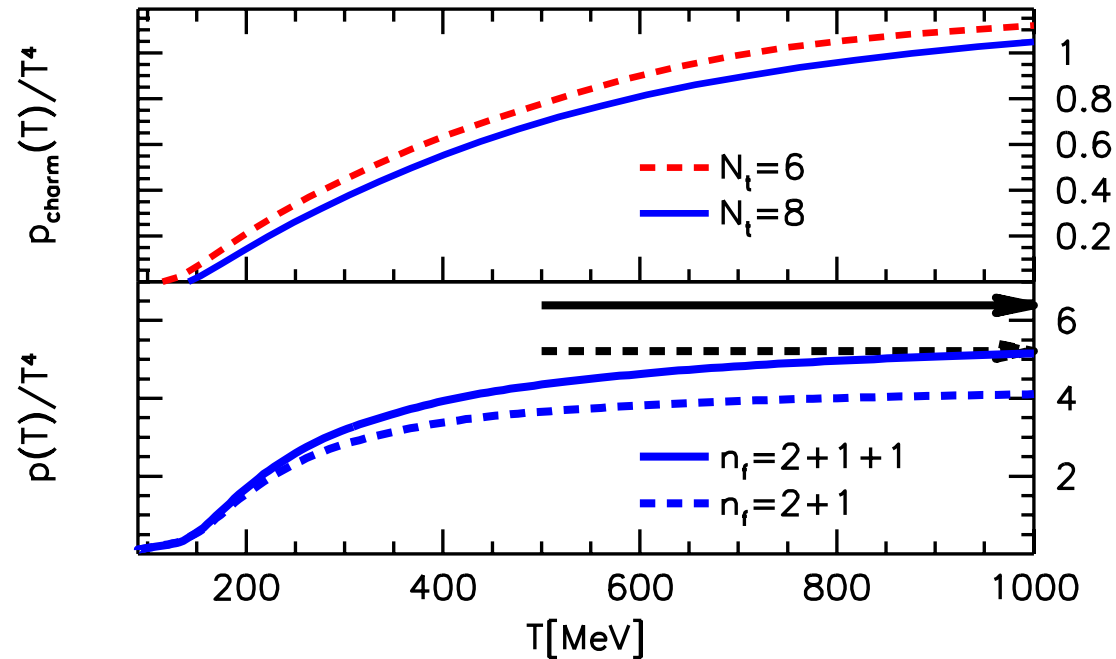


\Rightarrow charm quark contributes already at low $T \sim 350 \text{ MeV}$

Results: Quark mass dependence

Charm contribution: Lattice estimate for $N_f = 2+1+1$ EoS

[Borsanyi et al. 10]



- upper: charm contribution to pressure (for 2 different lattice spacings)
 - lower: pressure with and w/o charm (on $N_t = 8$ lattices; $m_c/m_s = 11.85$)
- ⇒ confirmation of early onset of charm quark contribution

Results: Quark mass dependence

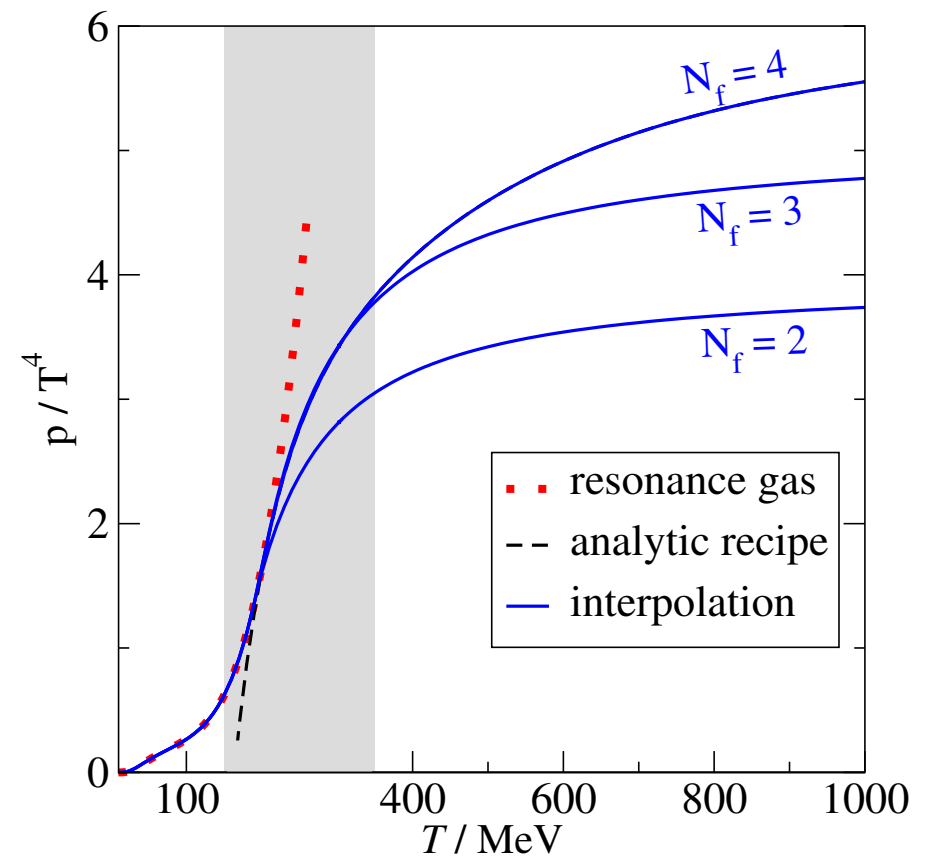
now ready to estimate thermodynamic quantities

multiply best $N_f = 0$ result with correction factor

$$g^2(\bar{\mu}) = \frac{24\pi^2}{(11C_A - 2N_f) \ln(\bar{\mu}/\Lambda_{\overline{MS}})}, \quad m_i(\bar{\mu}) = m_i(\bar{\mu}_{\text{ref}}) \left[\frac{\ln(\bar{\mu}_{\text{ref}}/\Lambda_{\overline{MS}})}{\ln(\bar{\mu}/\Lambda_{\overline{MS}})} \right]^{\frac{9C_F}{11C_A - 2N_f}}$$

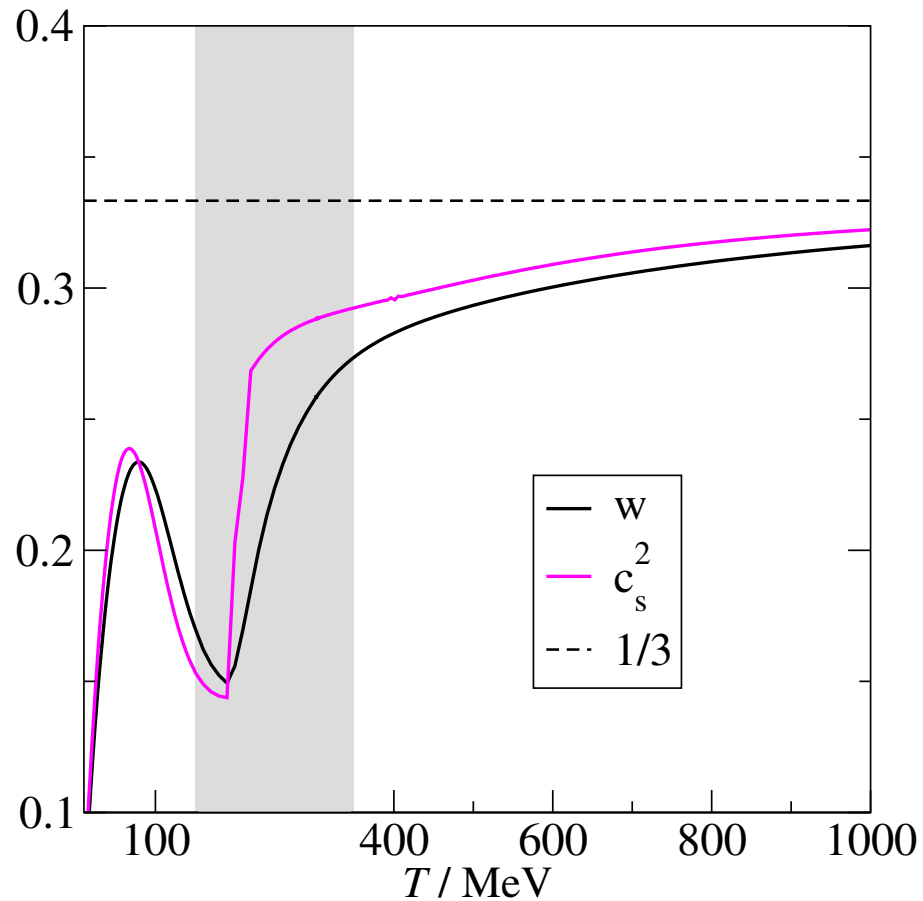
Setting the scale

- need to fix $\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$ in physical units!
- strategy: matching
take p of **hadronic resonances**
match p and p' to our recipe
- obtain $\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}^{(\text{eff})} \approx 175 \dots 180 \text{ MeV}$
- shaded: lattice simulations needed!



Results: EoS with physical quark masses at NLO

now use the recipe $p(N_f=0) \times \text{corr.fct}$ and plot dimensionless ratios



- equation of state

$$w(T) \equiv \frac{p(T)}{e(T)} = \frac{p(T)}{Tp'(T) - p(T)}$$

- sound speed (squared)

$$c_s^2(T) \equiv \frac{p'(T)}{e'(T)} = \frac{p'(T)}{Tp''(T)} = \frac{s(T)}{c(T)}$$

- $(\frac{1}{3} - w(T)) \propto$ 'trace anomaly'

- observe significant structure

- at 2nd order phase transition

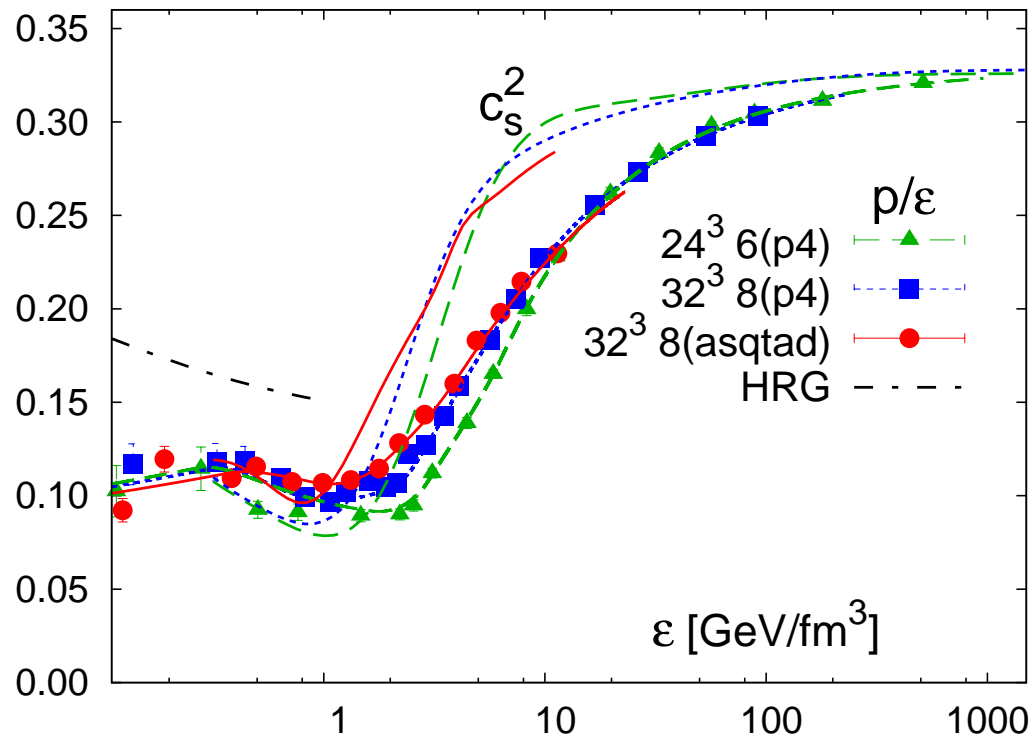
$$c(T) \sim (T - T_c)^{-\gamma}$$

peak around 70MeV not (yet) visible in lattice simulations

Results: EoS with physical quark masses at NLO

recent lattice data

[Bazavov et al. 09]



- HotQCD 2009
- $N_f = 2 + 1$
 m_s physical
light quarks not
- $N_\tau = 8$
two (staggered) actions

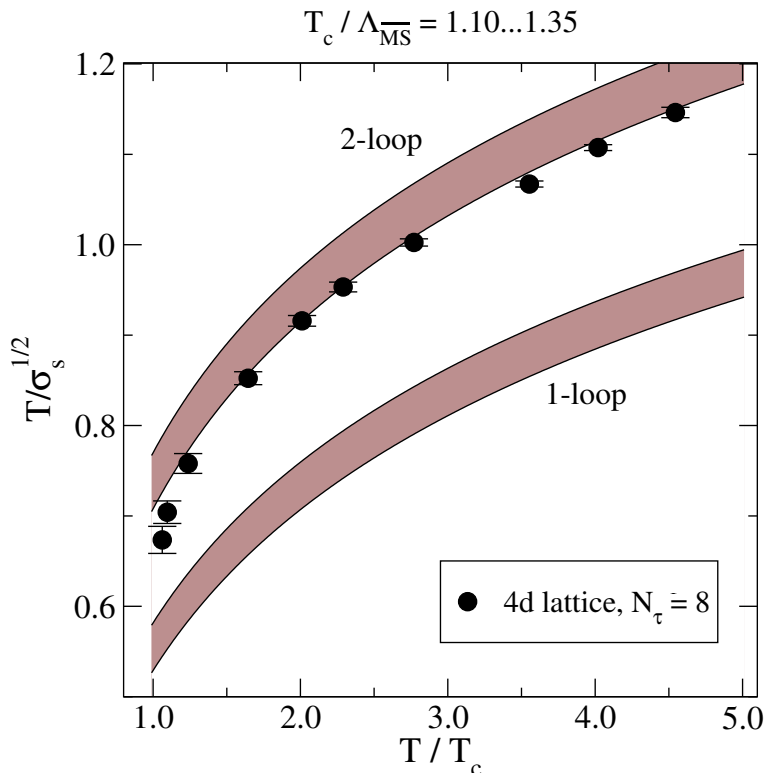
Summary

- thermodynamic quantities of QCD are relevant for cosmology and heavy ion collisions
- these quantities can be determined
 - ▷ numerically at $T \sim 200 \text{ MeV}$; analytically at $T \gg 200 \text{ MeV}$
 - ▷ multi-loop sports, eff. theories convenient \rightarrow systematic improvement
- 3d effective field theory opens up tremendous opportunities
 - ▷ analytic treatment of fermions (cf. LAT problems!)
 - ▷ universality, superrenormalizability
 - ▷ ideal playground for multi-loop methods
- e.g. QCD pressure: not even known at 'physical leading order'
 - ▷ (mild) open problem: LAT-continuum matching for general N_c
 - ▷ (hard) open problem: 4-loop sum-integrals
 - ▷ shows friendly functional behavior with fitted unknown coefficient
- e.g. Quark mass dependence in EoS; Spatial string tension
 - ▷ show good convergence
 - ▷ successful test of effective theory setup
 - ▷ even higher precision under investigation

Results: spatial string tension σ_s at NNLO

Define: $W_s(R_1, R_2) = \exp(-\sigma_s R_1 R_2)$ at large R_1, R_2

- SU(3), 4d lat: $\frac{\sqrt{\sigma_s}}{T} = \text{fct} \left(\frac{T}{T_c} \right)$; $T_c \approx 1.2 \Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}}$
- SU(3), 3d MQCD: $\frac{\sqrt{\sigma_s}}{T} = \# \frac{g_M^2}{g_E^2} \frac{g_E^2}{T} = \text{fct} \left(\frac{T}{\Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}}} \right)$; $\# = 0.553(1)$ [Teper/Lucini 02]



- 4d lattice data from [Boyd et al. 96] (cave: no cont. extrapolation)
- parameter-free comparison
- ⇒ support for hard/soft+ultrasoft picture of thermal QCD
- NNNLO (3-loop) appears doable

Effective theory setup: QCD \rightarrow EQCD

high T: QCD dynamics contained in 3d EQCD

integrate out $|p| \gtrsim 2\pi T$: $\psi, A_\mu(n \neq 0)$

$$p_{\text{QCD}}(T) \equiv p_{\text{E}}(T) + \frac{T}{V} \ln \int \mathcal{D}[A_k^a, A_0^a] \exp\left(- \int d^{3-2\epsilon}x \mathcal{L}_{\text{E}}\right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{E}} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} F_{kl}^2 + \text{Tr} [D_k, A_0]^2 + m_{\text{E}}^2 \text{Tr} A_0^2 + \lambda_{\text{E}}^{(1)} (\text{Tr} A_0^2)^2 + \lambda_{\text{E}}^{(2)} \text{Tr} A_0^4 + \dots$$

five matching coefficients

[E. Braaten, A. Nieto, 95; KLRS 02; M. Laine, YS, 05]

$$p_{\text{E}} = T^4 [\# + \#g^2 + \#g^4 + \#g^6 + \dots], \quad m_{\text{E}}^2 = T^2 [\#g^2 + \#g^4 + \dots],$$

$$g_{\text{E}}^2 = T [g^2 + \#g^4 + \#g^6 + \dots], \quad \lambda_{\text{E}}^{(1),(2)} = T [\#g^4 + \dots].$$

higher order operators do not (yet) contribute

[S. Chapman, 94; Kajantie et al, 97, 02]

$$\frac{\delta p_{\text{QCD}}(T)}{T} \sim \delta \mathcal{L}_{\text{E}} \sim g^2 \frac{D_k D_l}{(2\pi T)^2} \mathcal{L}_{\text{E}} \sim g^2 \frac{(gT)^2}{(2\pi T)^2} (gT)^3 \sim g^7 T^3$$

Effective theory setup: QCD \rightarrow EQCD \rightarrow MQCD

the IR of 3d EQCD is contained in 3d MQCD

integrate out $|p| \gtrsim gT$: A_0

$$p_{\text{QCD}}(T) \equiv p_{\text{E}}(T) + p_{\text{M}}(T) + \frac{T}{V} \ln \int \mathcal{D}[A_k^a] \exp\left(-\int d^{3-2\epsilon}x \mathcal{L}_{\text{M}}\right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{M}} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} F_{kl}^2 + \dots$$

two matching coefficients

[KLRS 03; P. Giovannangeli 04, M. Laine/YS 05]

$$p_{\text{M}} = T m_{\text{E}}^3 \left[\# + \# \frac{g_{\text{E}}^2}{m_{\text{E}}} + \# \frac{g_{\text{E}}^4}{m_{\text{E}}^2} + \# \frac{g_{\text{E}}^6}{m_{\text{E}}^3} + \dots \right], \quad g_{\text{M}}^2 = g_{\text{E}}^2 \left[1 + \# \frac{g_{\text{E}}^2}{m_{\text{E}}} + \# \frac{g_{\text{E}}^4}{m_{\text{E}}^2} + \dots \right].$$

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