

# CONFINEMENT AND YANG–MILLS THERMODYNAMICS FROM CORRELATION FUNCTIONS

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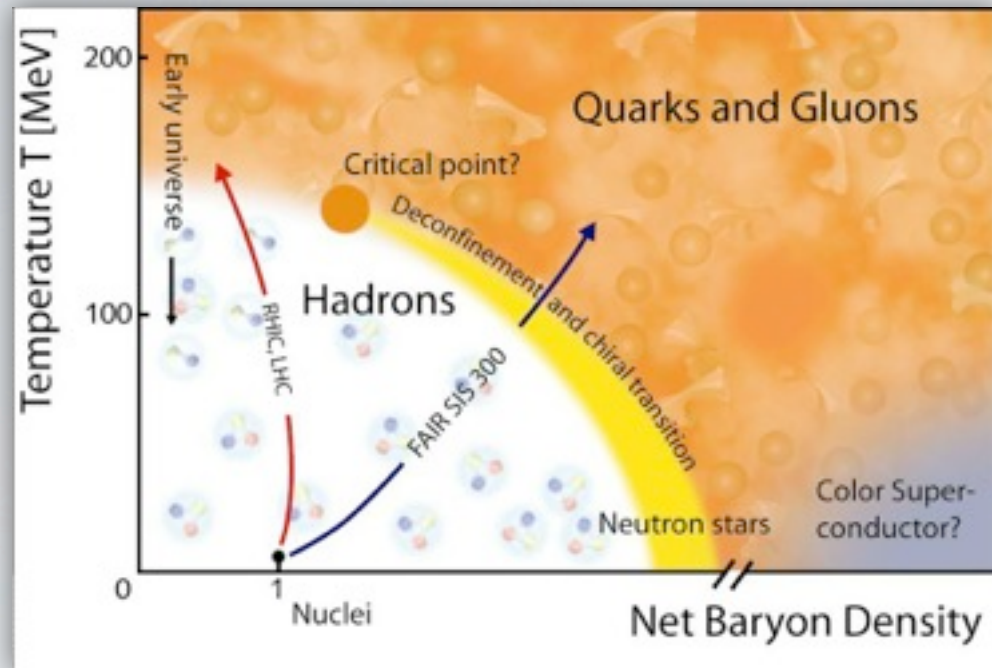
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# Motivation: QCD Phase Diagram



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characteristic features at low energies

- dynamical chiral symmetry breaking
- confinement

**non-perturbative** computation of physical observables from microscopic dynamics

here: study aspects of the phase diagram with

non-perturbative **functional continuum methods**

- ▶ functional renormalisation group,
- ▶ Dyson–Schwinger equations,
- ▶  $n$ PI-techniques

static quark confinement via the Polyakov loop potential

phase transition order, phase transition temperature,  
confinement criterion via infrared behaviour of propagators

thermodynamics of pure gluodynamics (Yang–Mills theory)

pressure at temperatures around the phase transition



# OUTLOOK

- ▶ Motivation
- ▶ (Thermal) Yang–Mills Propagators
- ▶ Quark Confinement
- ▶ Thermodynamics of Yang–Mills Theory

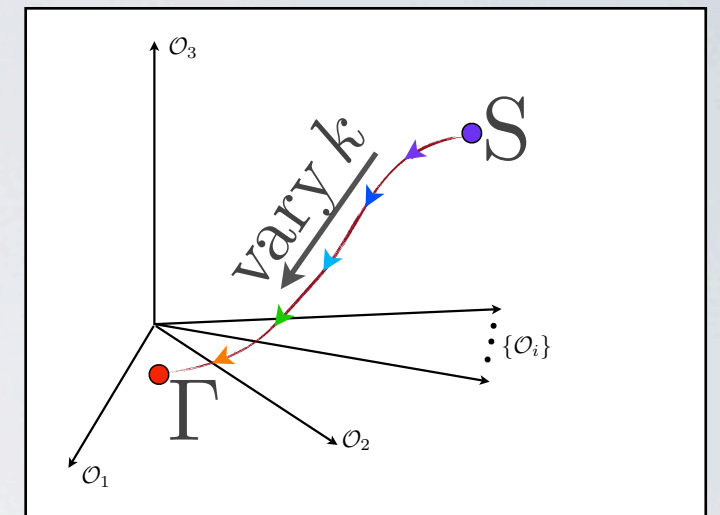
# FUNCTIONAL METHODS FOR YANG-MILLS

## ► Functional Renormalisation Group (FRG)

$k$  ... energy scale: integrate fluctuations energy-shell-wise from UV to IR

$$k \partial_k \Gamma_k[A, \bar{c}, c] = \frac{1}{2} \left( \text{diagram with wavy line and cross} - \text{diagram with dashed line and cross} \right)$$

flow along in theory space:  
 ... spanned by *all* operators  
 ... start with classical action  $S$   
 ... quantum theory  $\Gamma$  at  $k \rightarrow 0$



## ► Dyson–Schwinger Equations (DSEs)

originate from

$$\int \mathcal{D}\phi \frac{\delta}{\delta\phi} e^{-S[\phi] + J \cdot \phi} = 0$$

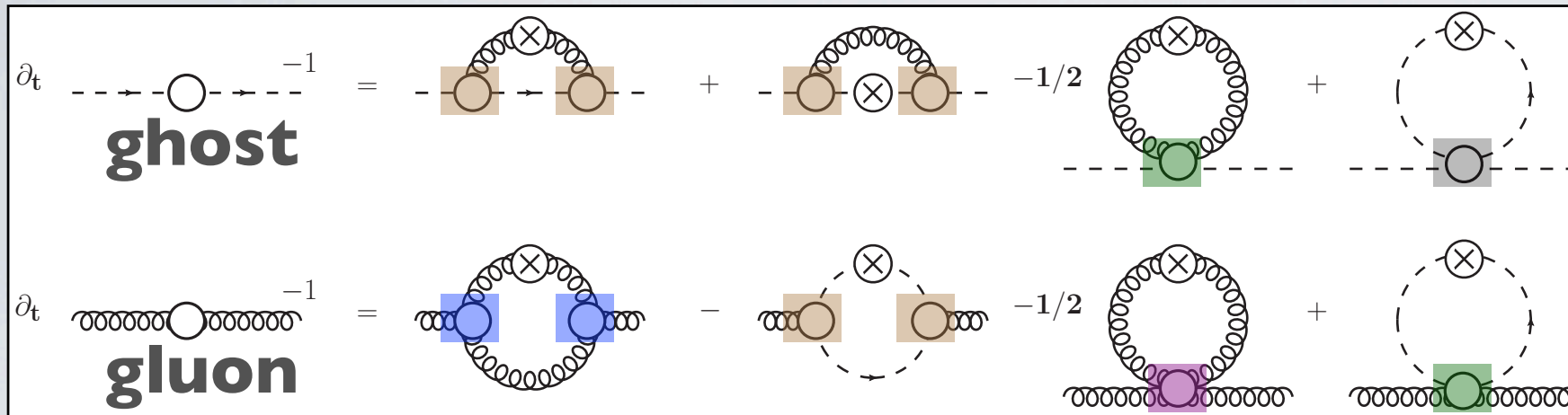
$$\text{diagram with dashed line and circle} = \frac{\delta S[A, \bar{c}, c]}{\delta \bar{c}} + \text{diagram with dashed line and wavy line}$$

$$\text{diagram with wavy line and circle} = \frac{\delta S[A, \bar{c}, c]}{\delta A} + \frac{1}{2} \text{diagram with wavy line and diamond} + \frac{1}{2} \text{diagram with wavy line and circle} - \text{diagram with dashed line and circle} - \frac{1}{6} \text{diagram with wavy line and circle}$$

... Both FRG and DSEs provide **exact descriptions** of the full theory in terms of **correlation functions**.



# (Landau gauge) YANG-MILLS PROPAGATORS



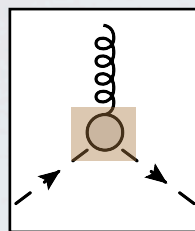
.... FRG equations,

DSE equations see e.g.

R. Alkofer, L. von Smekal,  
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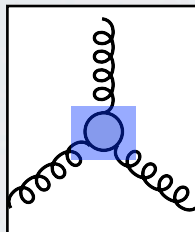
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truncation based on

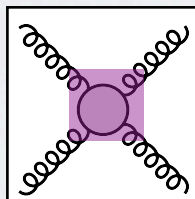


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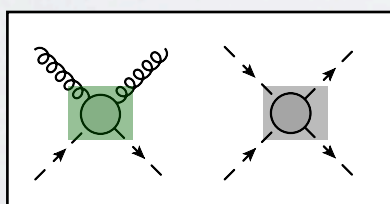
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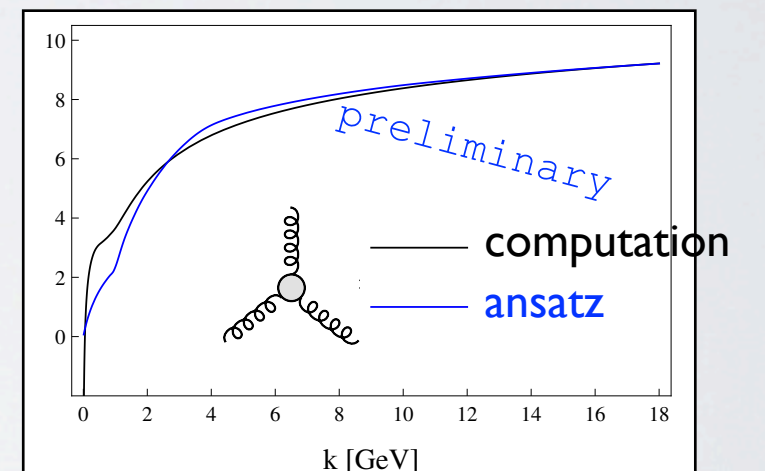
FRG LF, J.M. Pawłowski, in preparation.



DSE C. Kellermann, C.S. Fischer,  
Phys.Rev.D78, 025015 (2008).



via resummations



Propagators have non-trivial **temperature** and **momentum dependence**,  
**both** are **indispensable**(, in particular **for thermodynamics**).

# THERMAL FRG

purely thermal fluctuations

$$\Delta\Gamma_{k,T} = \Gamma_{k,T} - \Gamma_{k,T=0}$$

D. Litim, J.M. Pawłowski, arXiv: hep-th/9901063.

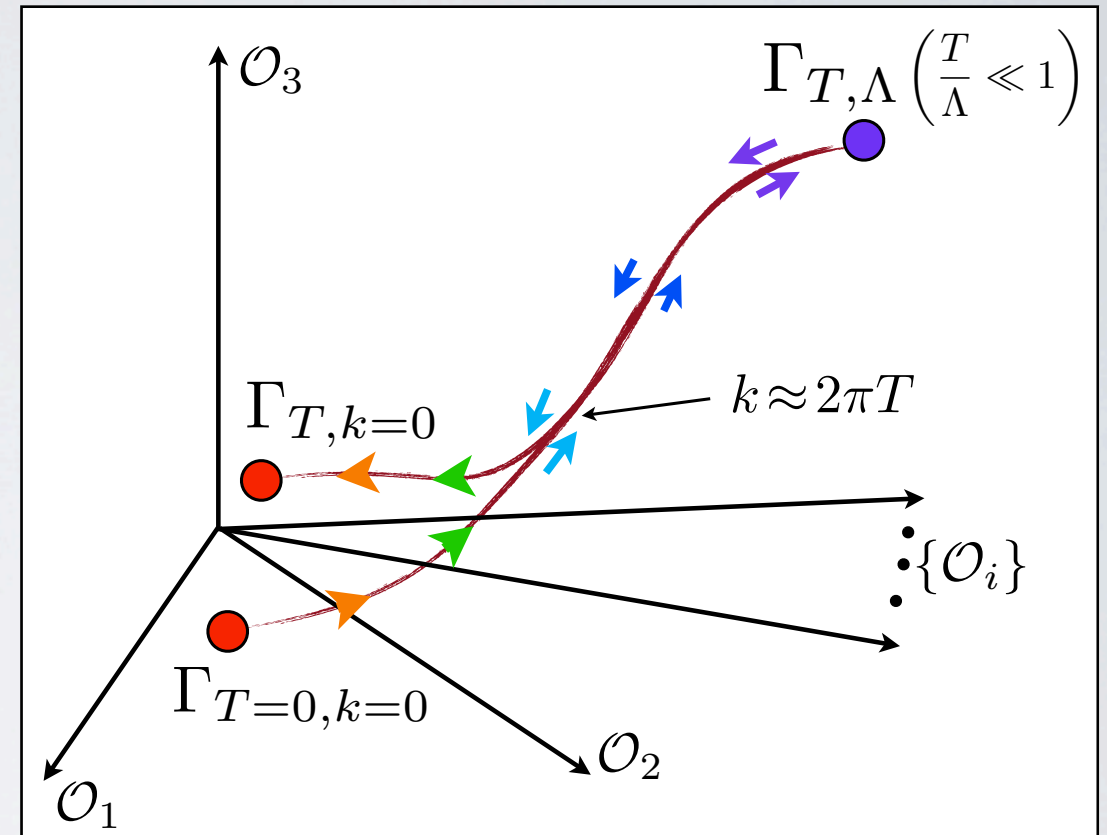
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two-step procedure:

1. computation of quantum effects
2. add thermal fluctuations to quantum theory

practical advantages:

- quantum theory can be taken from any method, i.e. also from lattice gauge theory
- truncation errors affect only the infrared



temperature effects restricted to infrared  $k \lesssim 2\pi T$



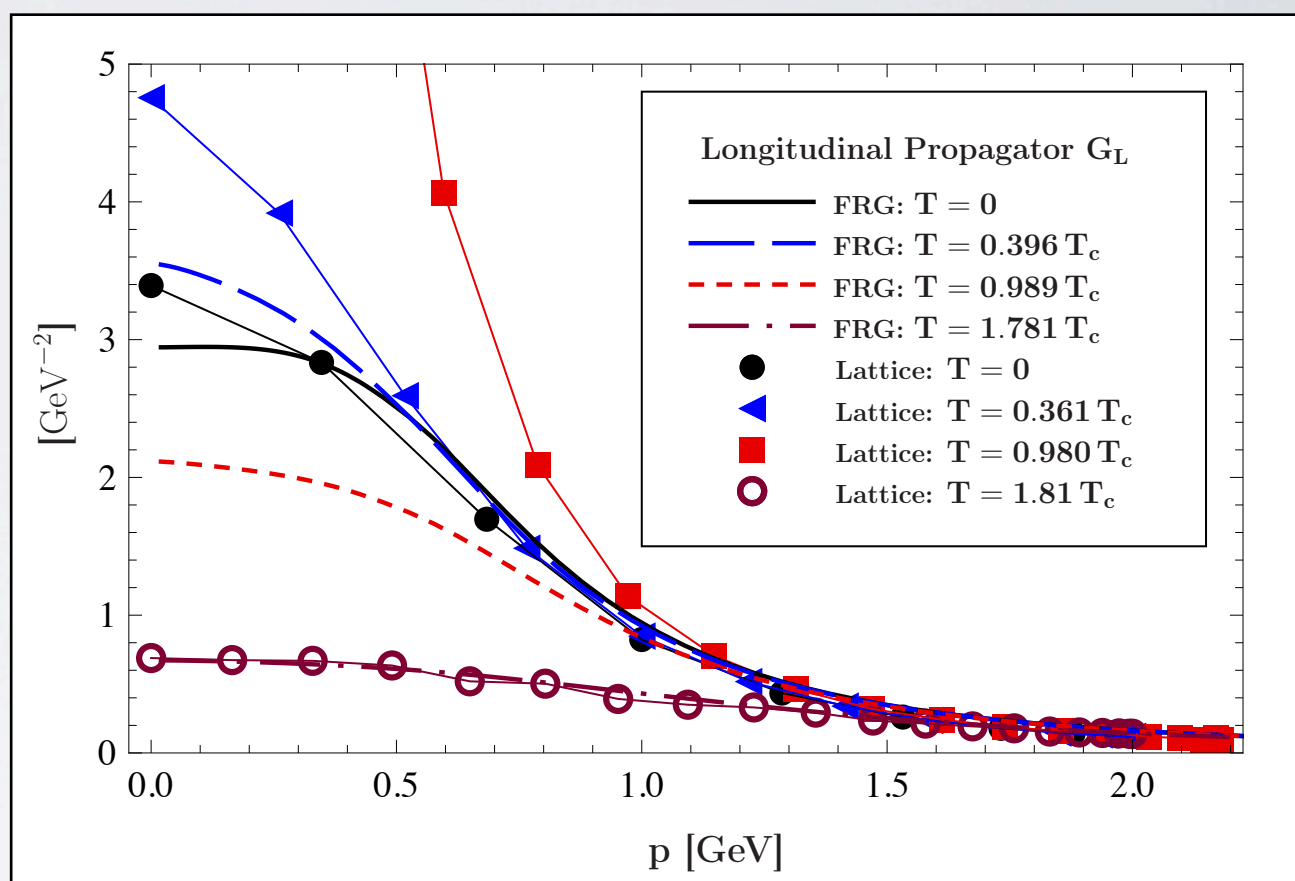
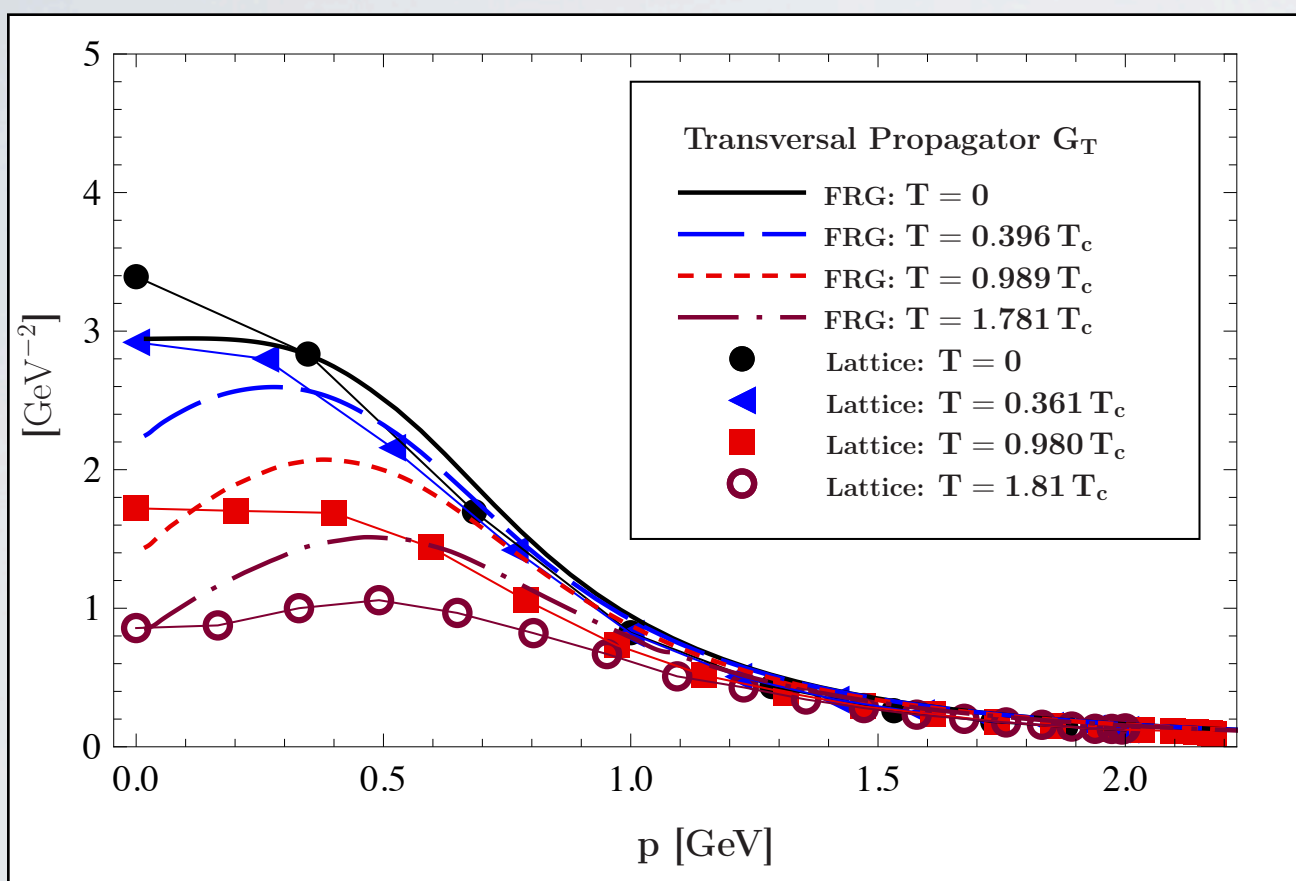
# YANG-MILLS PROPAGATORS

momentum dependence at **non-zero** temperature

at finite temperature: the gluon propagator has two projections wrt the heatbath

transversal gluon propagator

longitudinal gluon propagator



FRG results from:

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lattice data taken from:

A. Maas, J.M. Pawłowski, L. von Smekal, D. Spielmann, Phys. Rev. D85 (2011) 034037.

# Quark Confinement



# POLYAKOV LOOP POTENTIAL

The expectation value of the **Polyakov loop**,  $\langle L[A_0] \rangle$ , relates to the free energy  $F_q$  of a single quark.

→ order parameter for static quark confinement

$$e^{-F_q/T} \sim \langle L[A_0] \rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{N_c} \mathcal{P} e^{ig \int_0^{1/T} dt A_0} \right\rangle \quad \begin{cases} = 0 \dots \text{confinement} \\ > 0 \dots \text{deconfinement} \end{cases}$$

Also

$$L[\langle A_0 \rangle] \quad \begin{cases} = 0 & \text{if } \langle L \rangle = 0 \\ \geq \langle L \rangle & \text{if } \langle L \rangle > 0 \end{cases}$$

is an order parameter.

J. Braun, H. Gies, J.M. Pawłowski,  
Phys. Lett. B684, 262 (2010).

F. Marhauser, J.M. Pawłowski,  
arXiv: 0812.1144 [hep-ph].

$L[\langle A_0 \rangle]$  easily accessible in **background field formalism**:

$\langle A_0 \rangle$  minimum of **effective potential**  $V[A_0]$  of **constant background field**  $A_0$ .

↳ in FRG, DSE, 2PI, ...

# POLYAKOV POTENTIAL - REPRESENTATIONS

eff. potential

$$V[A_0] = \frac{T}{\text{volume}} \Gamma[A_0; a = 0]$$

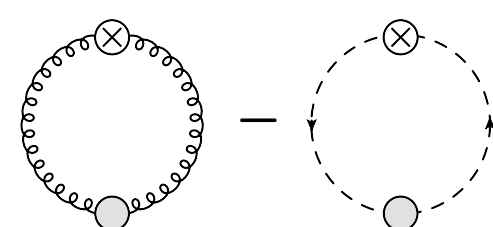
background field method:

$$\text{gluon } A = A_0 + a$$

(temporal) background      fluctuation about background

Confinement is immanent, if minima of  $V[A_0]$  equal confining values,  
i.e. at these  $\langle A_0 \rangle_{\text{conf}} : L[\langle A_0 \rangle_{\text{conf}}] = 0$ .

FRG:

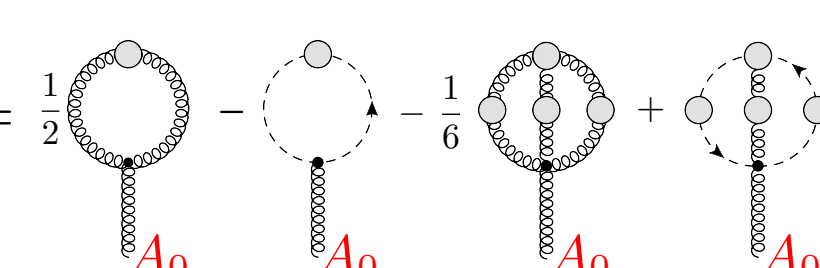
$$k \partial_k \Gamma_k [A_0; a, \bar{c}, c] = \frac{1}{2} \left( \text{diagram 1} - \text{diagram 2} \right)$$


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arXiv: 1301.#### [hep-ph].

DSEs:

$$\frac{\delta(\Gamma - S)}{\delta A_0} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \text{diagram 1} - \text{diagram 2} \right) - \frac{1}{6} \left( \text{diagram 3} + \text{diagram 4} \right)$$


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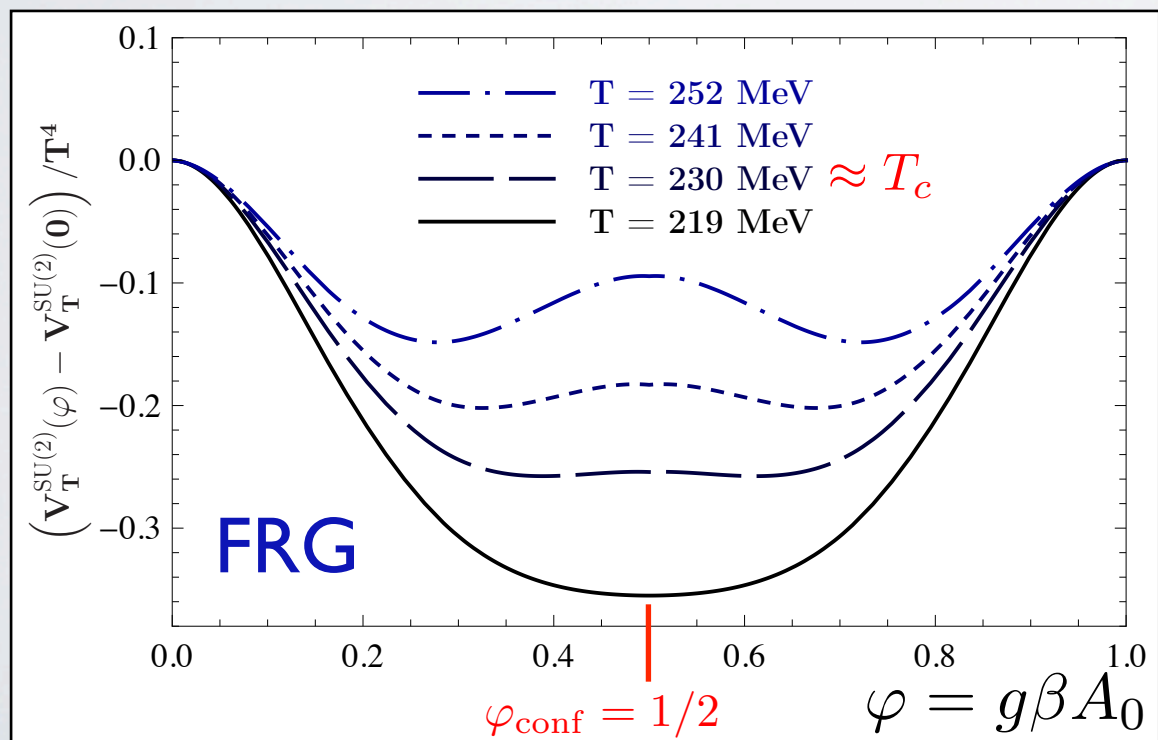
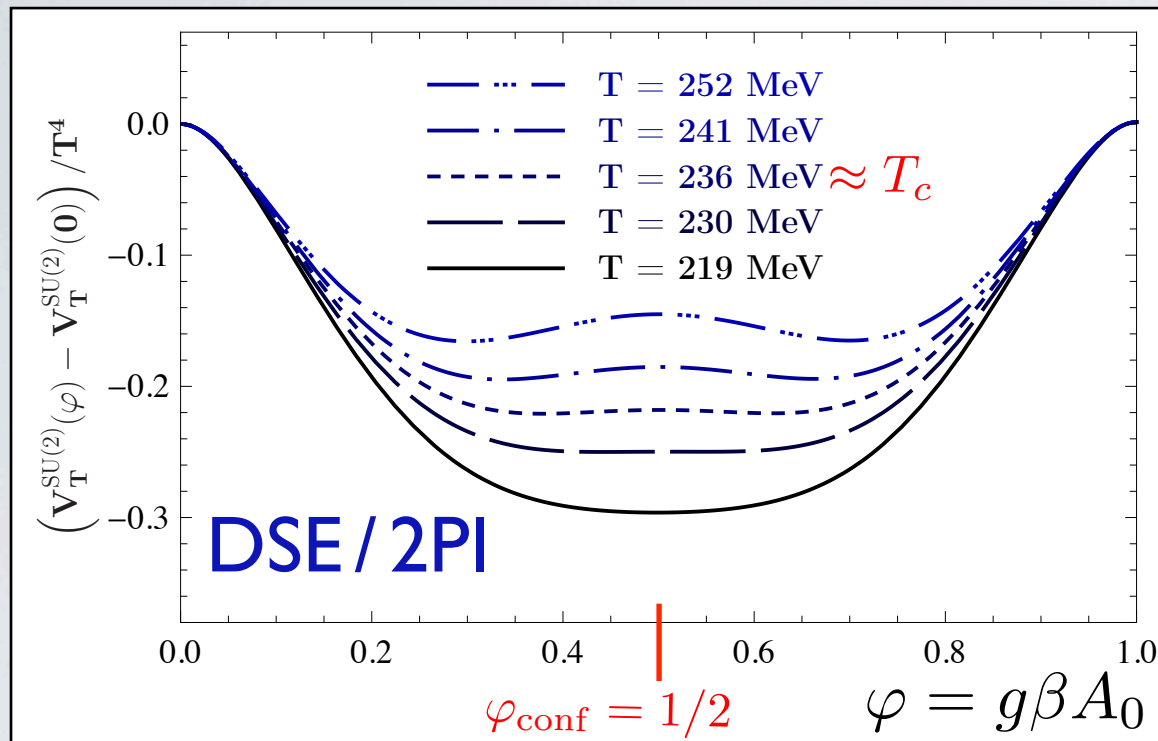
2PI:

for the purpose presented here it is equivalent to the DSE

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# POLYAKOV POTENTIAL - SU(2)



DSE / 2PI

$$T_c^{\text{DSE}} / \sqrt{\sigma} \approx 0.56$$

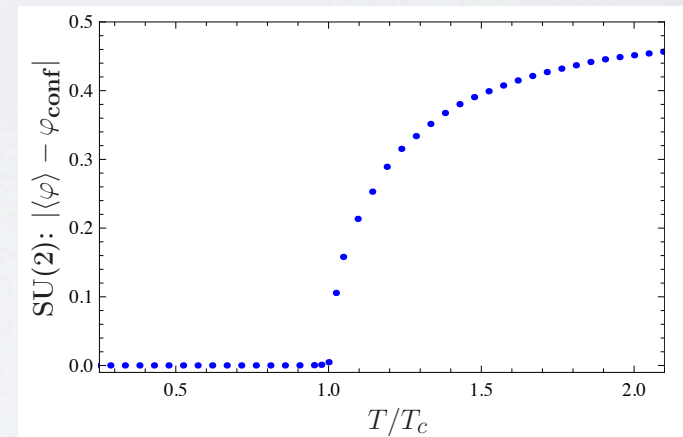
FRG

$$T_c^{\text{FRG}} / \sqrt{\sigma} \approx 0.548$$

lattice gauge theory\*

$$T_c^{\text{latt.}} / \sqrt{\sigma} \approx 0.709$$

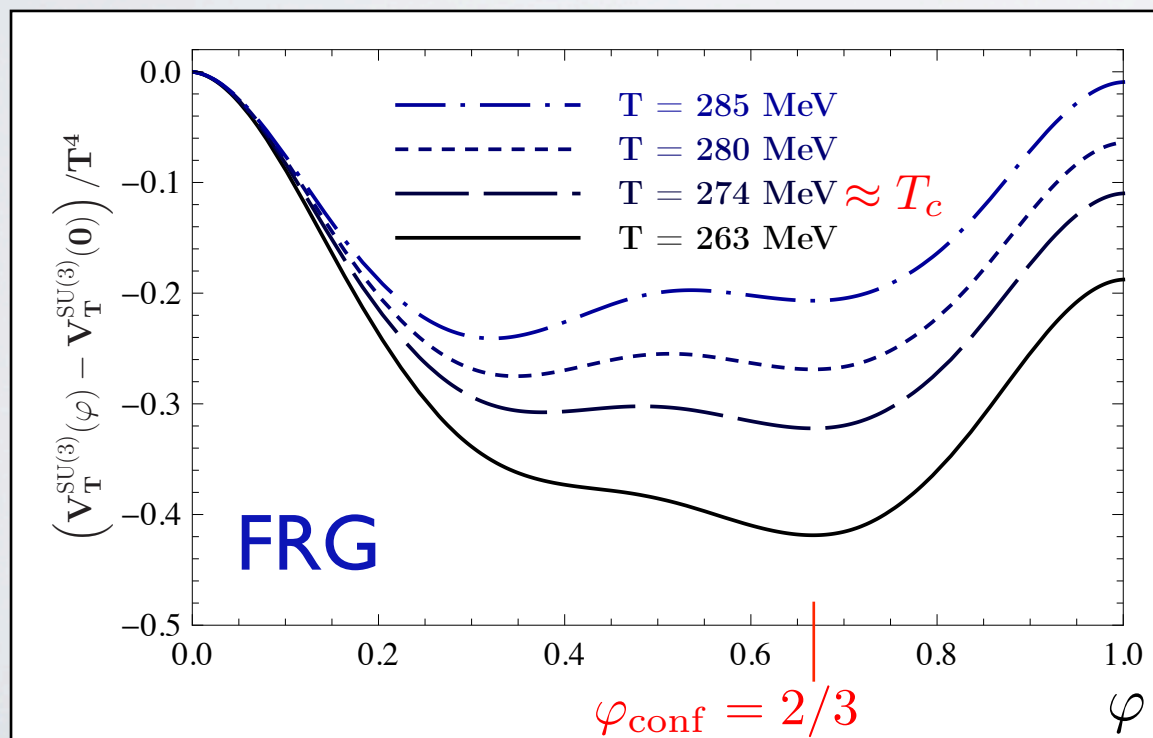
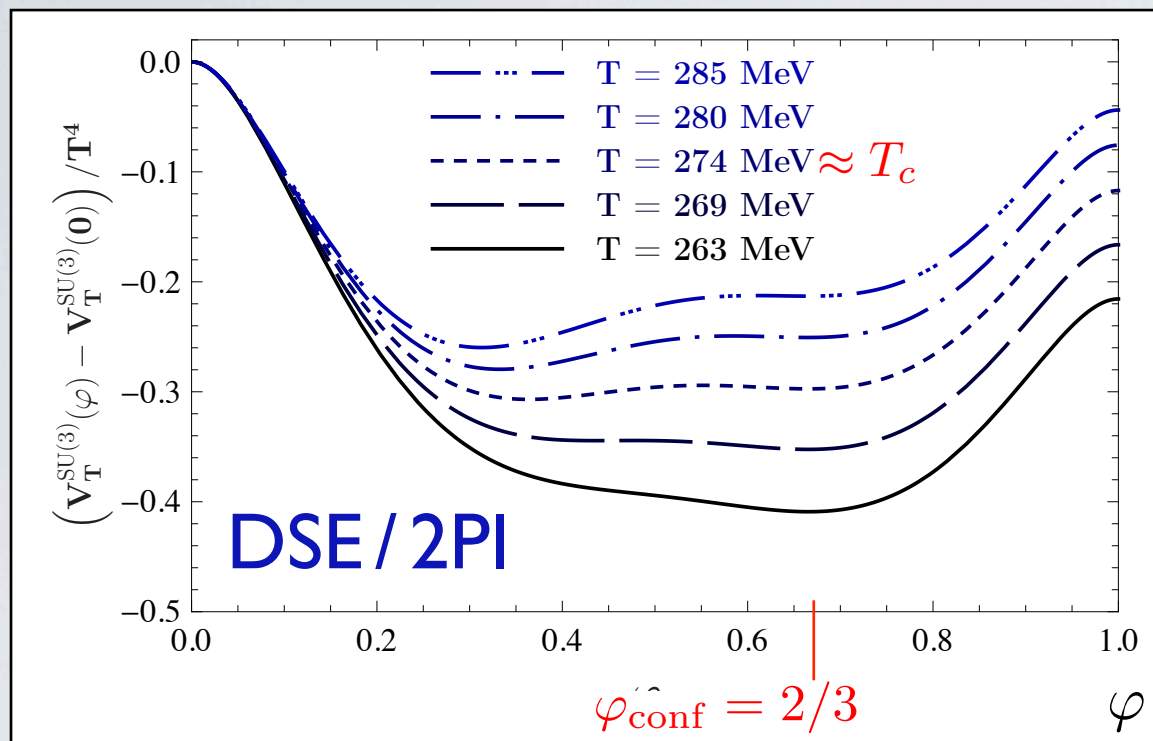
- ▶ minimum moves smoothly away from  $\varphi = 1/2$   
 $\longleftrightarrow$  second order phase transition for SU(2)



- ▶ implicit temperature dependence of propagators has a 10% effect
- ▶ not sensitive to scaling/decoupling

\*Lattice data taken from B. Lucini, M. Teper, U. Wenger, JHEP 01, 061 (2004).

# POLYAKOV POTENTIAL - SU(3)



DSE / 2PI

$$T_c^{\text{DSE}} / \sqrt{\sigma} \approx 0.651$$

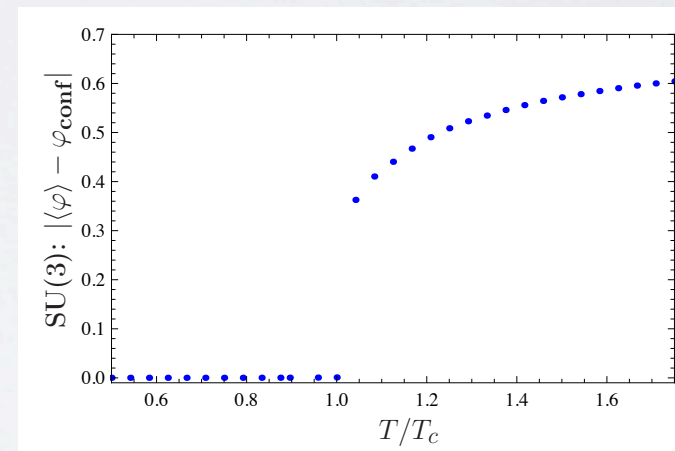
FRG

$$T_c^{\text{FRG}} / \sqrt{\sigma} \approx 0.655$$

lattice gauge theory\*

$$T_c^{\text{latt.}} / \sqrt{\sigma} \approx 0.643$$

- ▶ **minimum jumps** away from conf. value  $\varphi = 2/3$
- ↔ first order phase transition for SU(3)



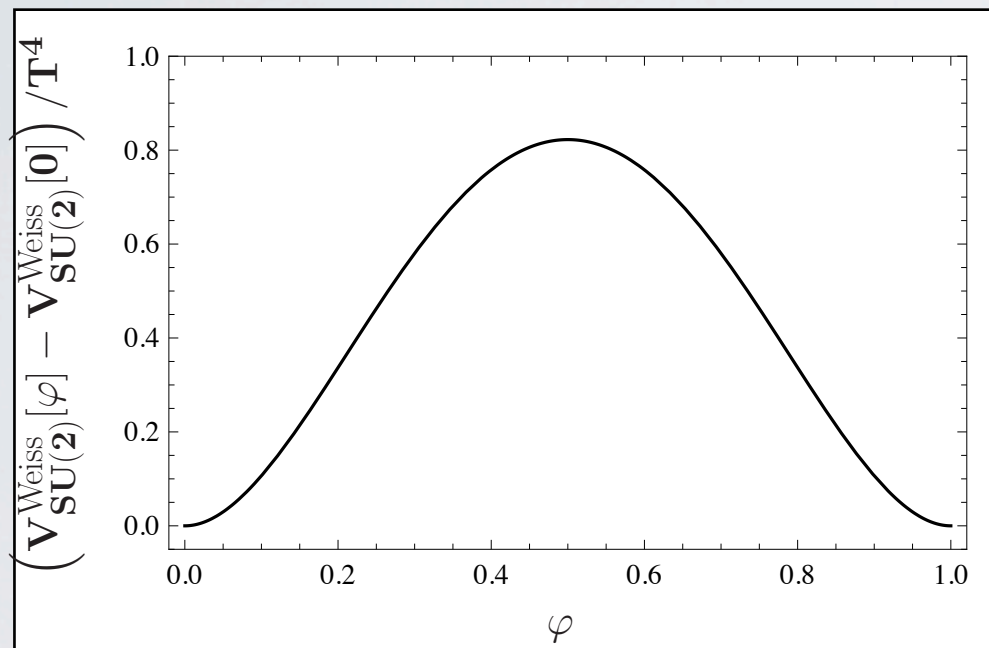
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# CONFINEMENT CRITERION

perturbation theory → **Weiss potential**

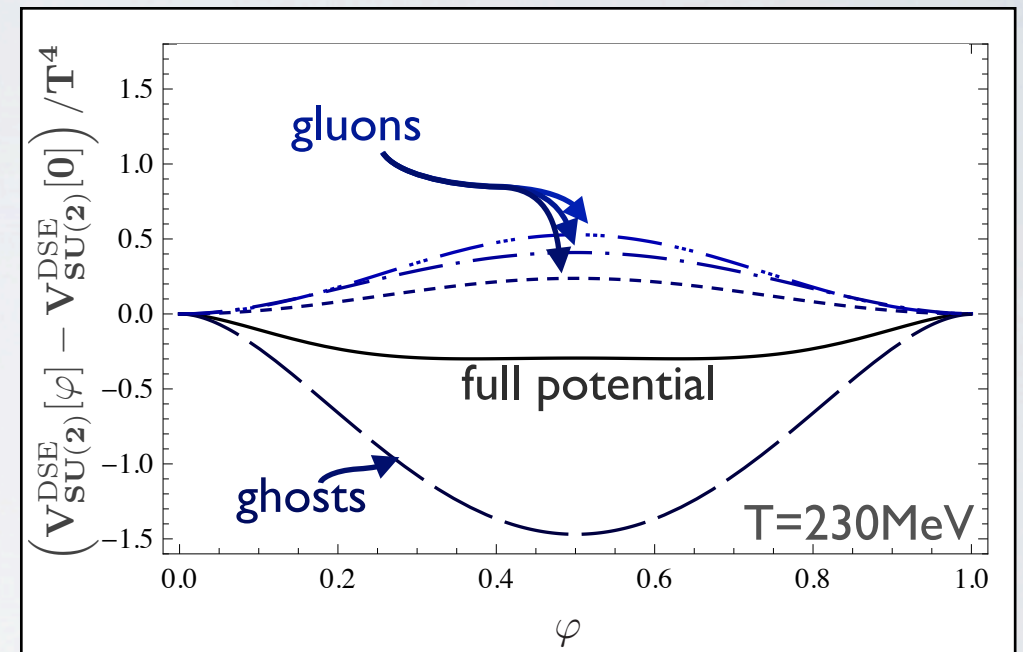
N. Weiss, Phys. Rev. D24, 475 (1981).  
 D.J. Gross, R.D. Pisarski, L.G. Yaffe,  
 Rev. Mod. Phys. 53, 43 (1981).



two (transversal) gluonic modes, others cancel exactly  
 minima at **integer** values of  $\varphi = g\beta A_0$   
 confining value of  $\varphi$  at  $1/2$ ,  
 $\leadsto$  **no confinement in perturbation theory**

non-perturbatively

**gluon suppression**  
**ghost enhancement**



**gluon** modes have **positive** contributions,  
**ghost** modes have **negative** contributions,  
**no exact cancellation of modes**,  
 ghosts dominate at small temperatures  
 $\leadsto$  **confinement at small temperatures**

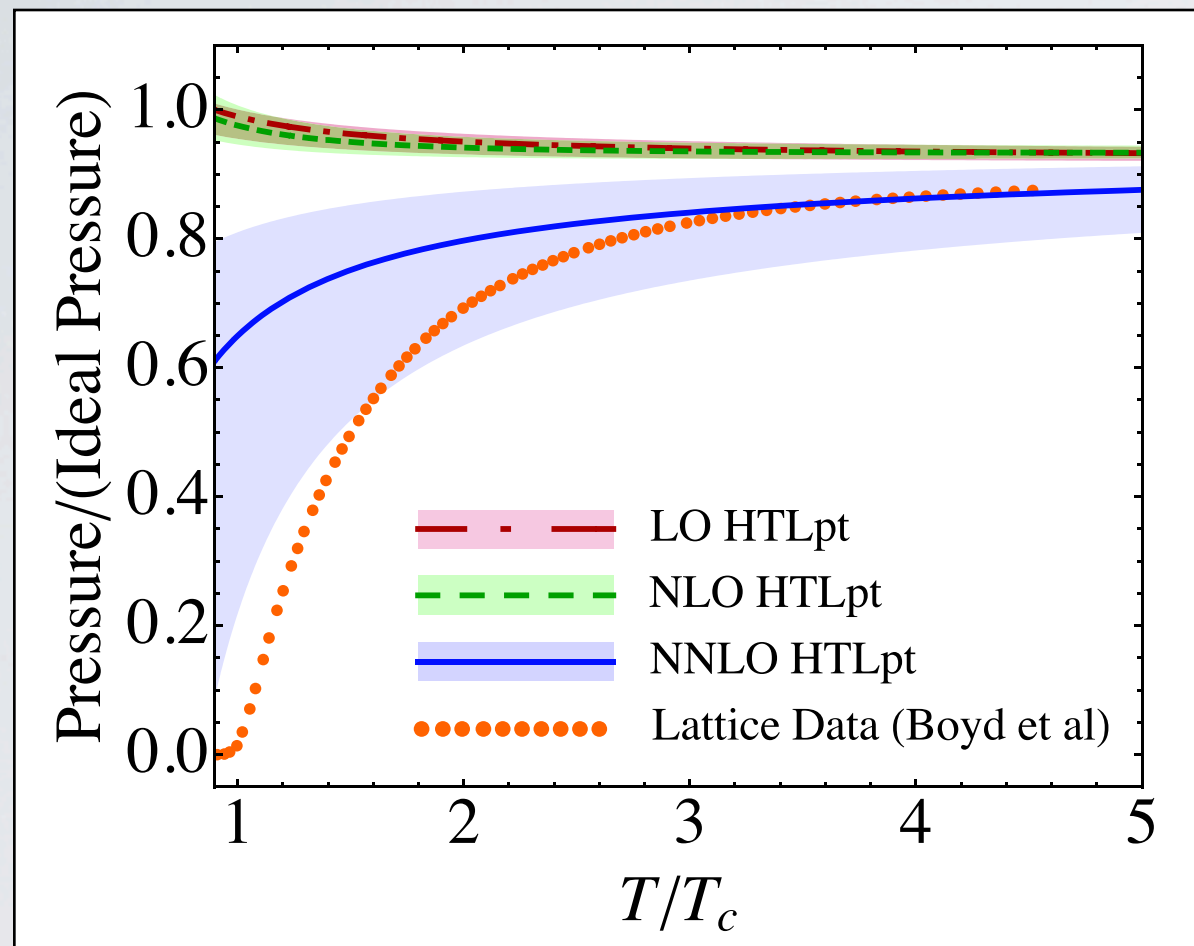
**confinement criterion:**

infrared **suppressed gluons** and **non-suppressed ghosts** → **confinement**

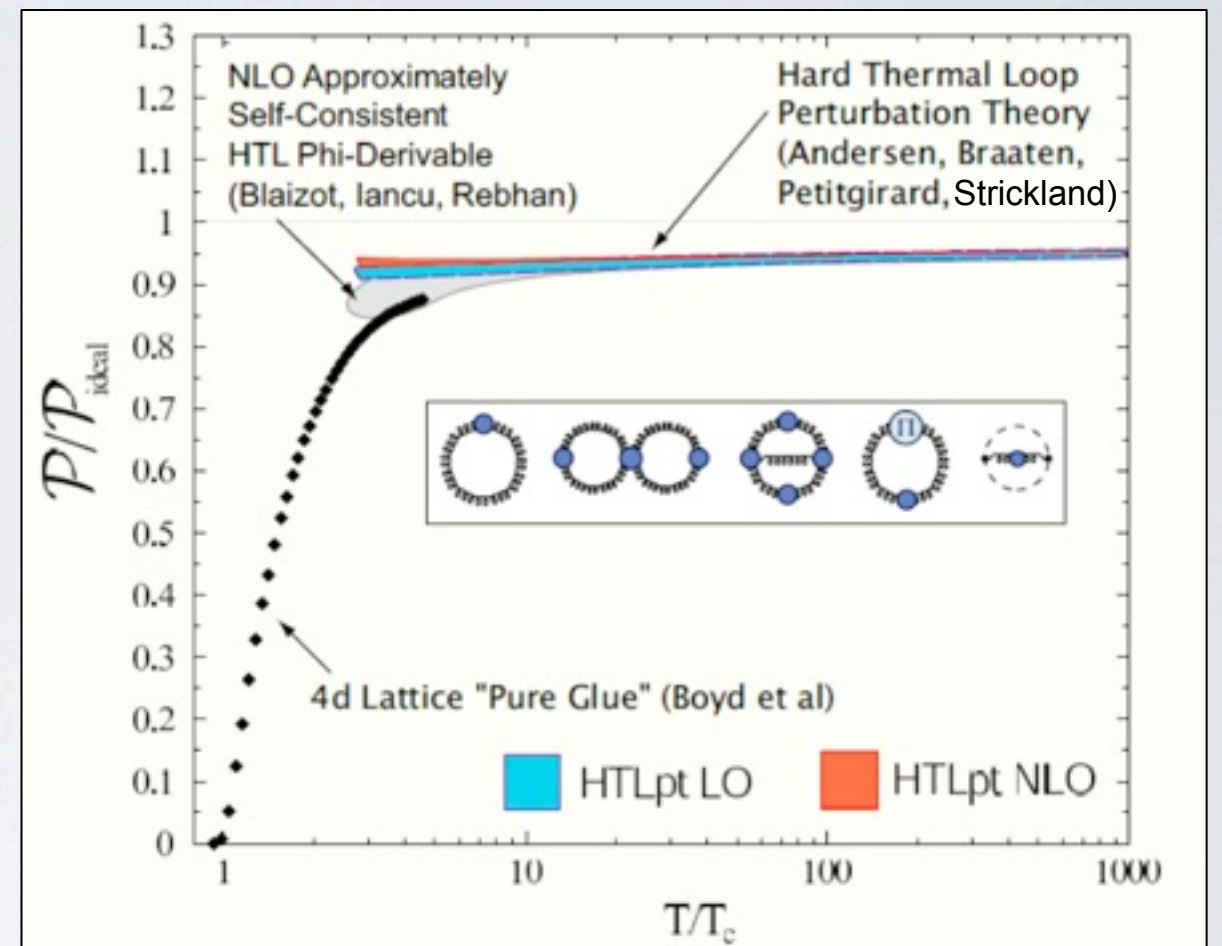
# Yang–Mills Thermodynamics



# PRESSURE FROM OTHER METHODS



J.O. Andersen, M. Strickland, N. Su,  
 Phys. Rev. Lett. 104 (2010).



from a talk by M. Strickland

# PRESSURE FROM THE FRG

The thermal pressure  $p$  is the effective action evaluated on the EoM, normalised in the vacuum.

$$p_k(T; A_0) = -\Delta\Gamma_{k,T}(A_0) = -(\Gamma_{k,T} - \Gamma_{k,T=0})$$

projection onto physical subspace

- ▶ one chromoelectric +
- ▶ one chromomagnetic mode

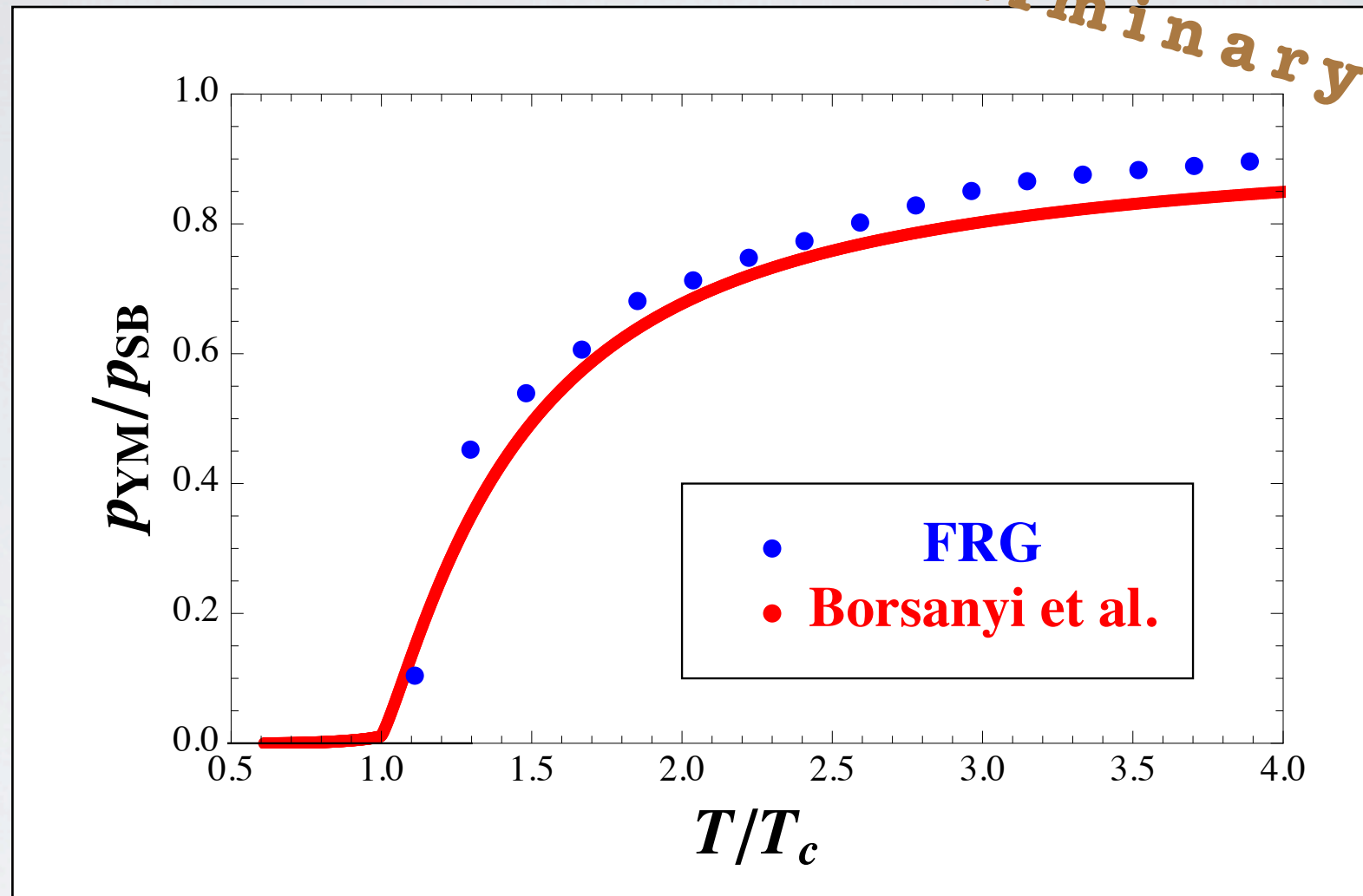
$$p(T; A_0) = - \int_{\Lambda}^0 \frac{dk}{k} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left( \text{chromo-electric} \Big|_T + \text{chromo-magnetic} \Big|_T - \text{ } \Big|_{T=0} \right) \right\} \Big|_{A_0}$$

Polyakov loop potential is crucial for the critical physics.  
Implicit temperature dependence of the propagators for quantitative accuracy.



# PRESSURE

*preliminary*



lattice data from

S. Borsanyi, G. Endrodi, Z. Fodor, S. Katz and K. Szabo, JHEP 1207, 056 (2012).

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# CONCLUSIONS

Functional methods allow to study the **QCD phase diagram**.

*functional renormalisation group, Dyson–Schwinger equations (, 2PI-techniques)*

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## ▶ Thermal Propagators:

- ▶ **Temperature dependence** is **crucial** for confinement and **thermodynamics**.
- ▶ Chromomagnetic gluon matches lattice data at all temperatures.
- ▶ Chromoelectric “ — “ — , except around  $T \approx T_c$ .

## ▶ Confinement:

- ▶ second order phase transition for SU(2), first order for SU(3)
- ▶ critical temperatures  $\frac{T_c^{\text{SU(2)|SU(3)}}}{\sqrt{\sigma}} \approx \begin{cases} .55 & | & .65 & \text{functional methods} \\ .709 & | & .646 & \text{lattice gauge theory} \end{cases}$
- ▶ **Criterion** for confinement: gluons must be IR suppressed, while ghosts must *not*.

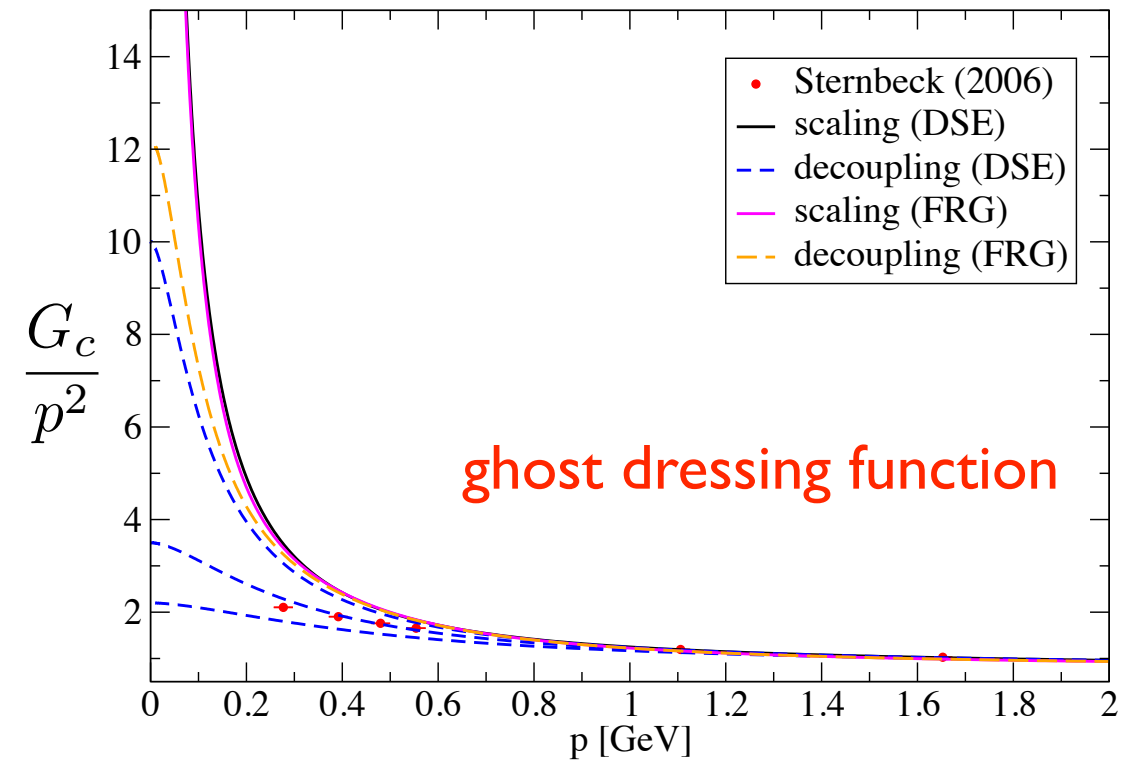
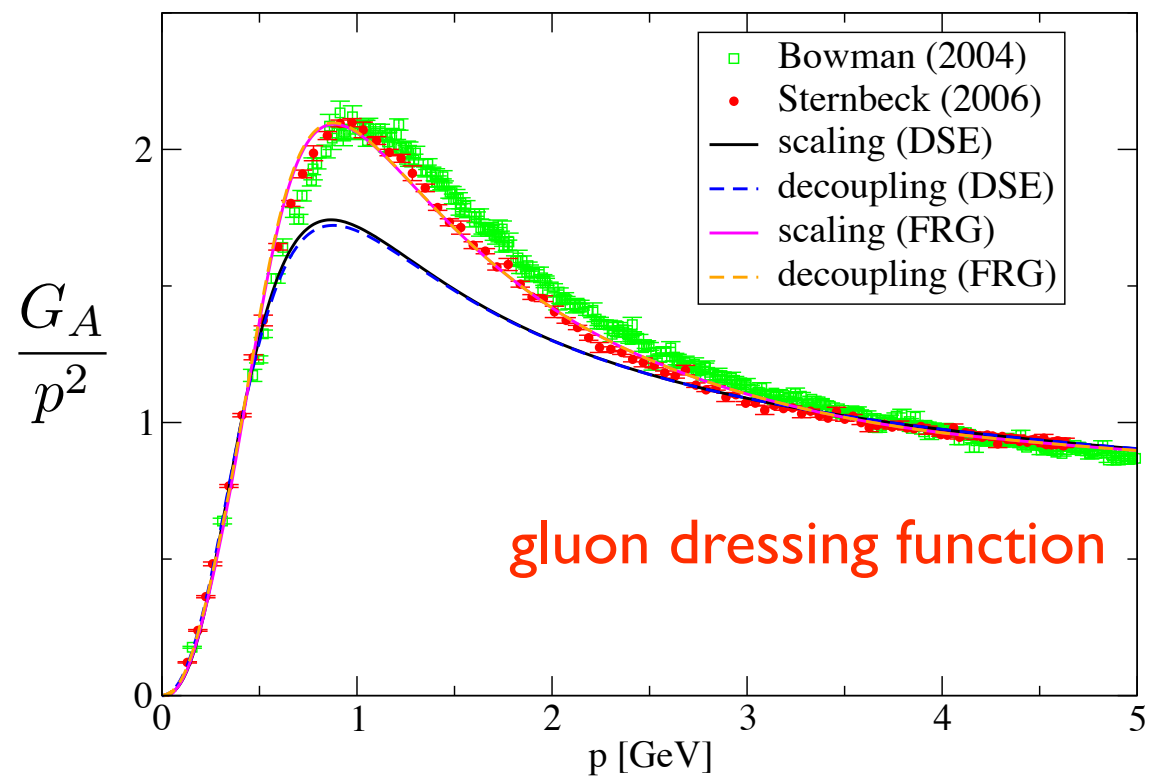
## ▶ Thermodynamics:

- ▶ **Pressure** at all temperatures, **even for**  $T \lesssim 3T_c$ .



... *supplementary material*

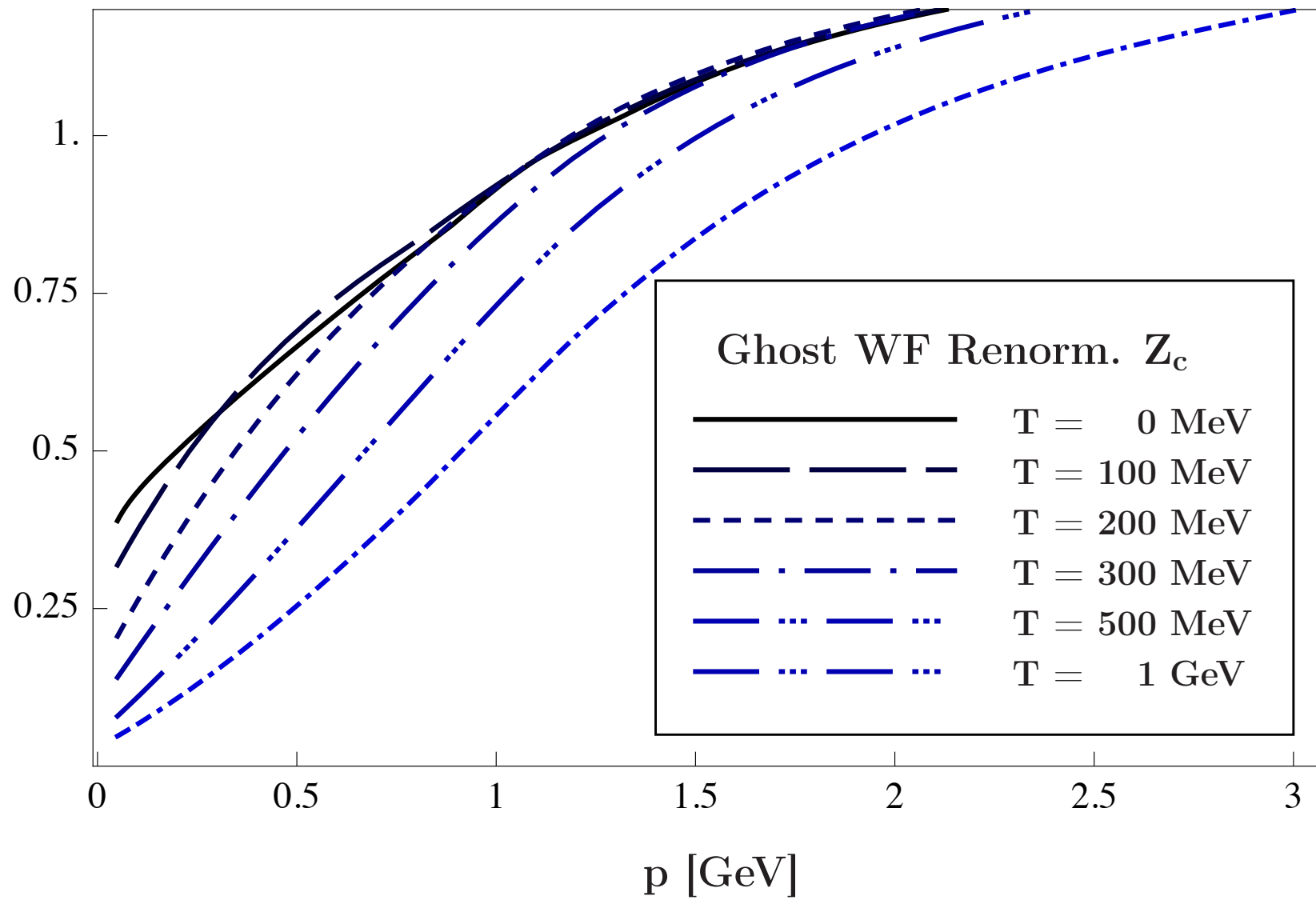
# T=0 Propagators



taken from: C.S. Fischer, A. Maas, J.M. Pawłowski, *Annals Phys.* 324 (2009).



# Ghost Wave-Function Renormalisation



$$Z_c = \frac{1}{p^2 G_c}$$

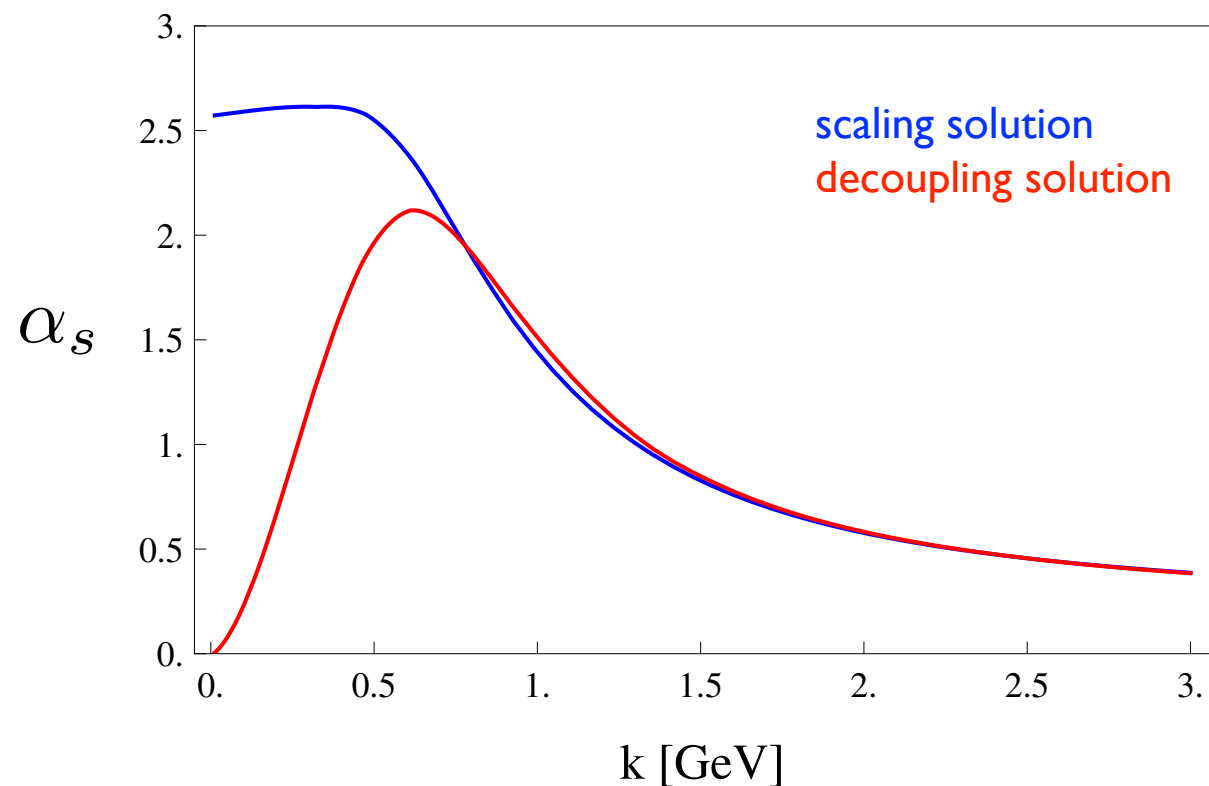
# Coupling at Vanishing Temperature

L. von Smekal, A. Hauck, R. Alkofer, Ann. Phys. **267** (1998) 1.

C. Lerche, L. von Smekal, Phys. Rev. **D65** (2002) 125006.

J.M. Pawłowski, D.F. Litim, S. Nedelko, L. von Smekal, Phys. Rev. Lett. **93** (2004) 152002.

C.S. Fischer, H. Gies, JHEP **10** (2004) 048.



definition of the running coupling  
from the ghost-gluon vertex:

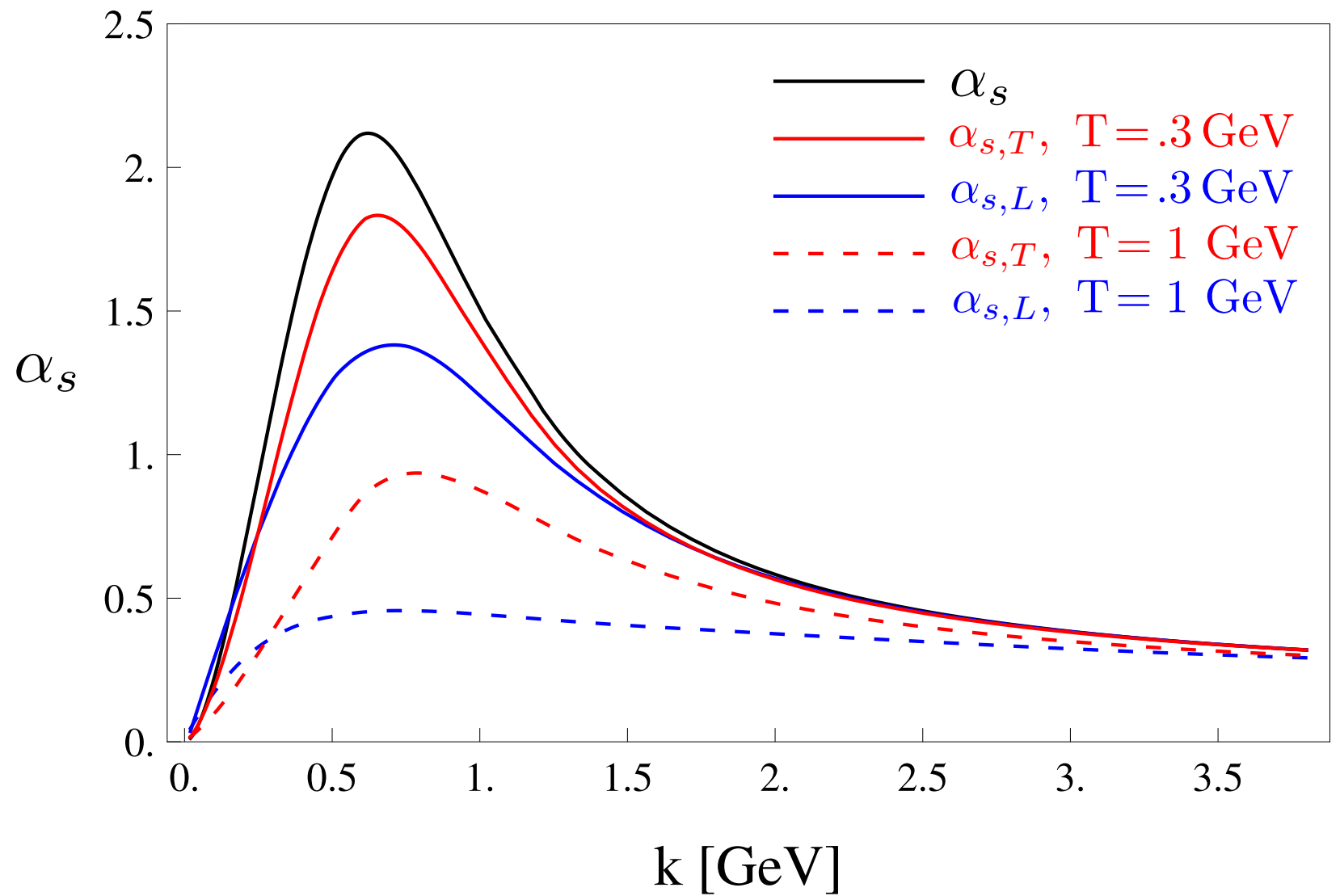
$$\alpha_s(k) = \frac{g_0^2 Z_{\bar{c}Ac}^2(k)}{4\pi} k^6 G_c^2(k^2) G_A(k^2)$$

# Coupling at Non-Vanishing Temperature

The coupling depends on the gluon propagator.

transversal coupling  $\alpha_{s,T}$

longitudinal coupling  $\alpha_{s,L}$



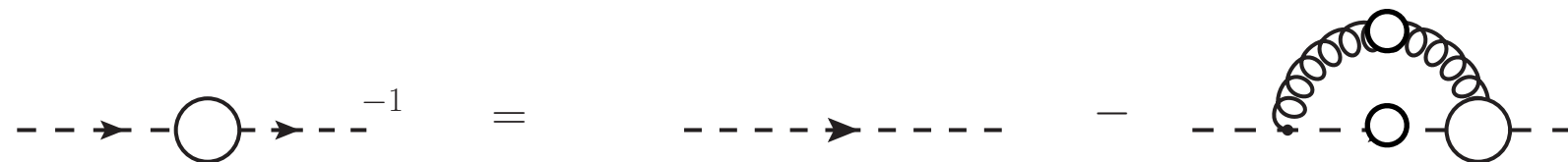


# Dyson–Schwinger Approximation for the Ghost

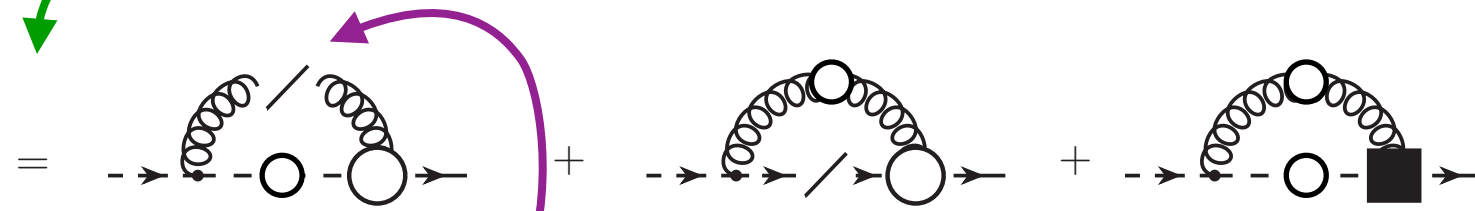
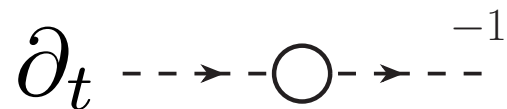
Use:

*The flow equation is the differential form of the Dyson–Schwinger equation.*

DSE:



total derivative wrt scale  $k$

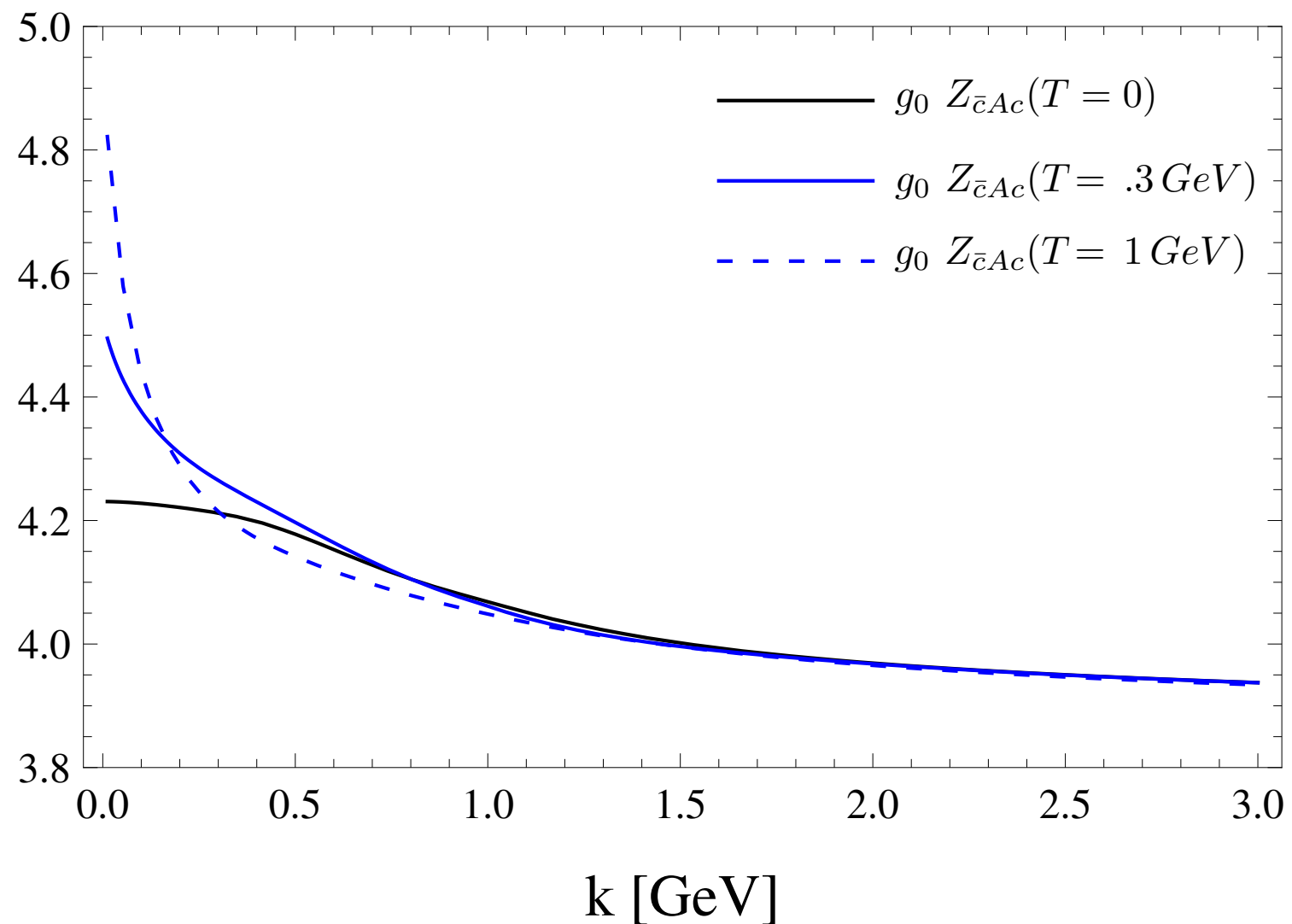


$$-G_k[\varphi] \left( \partial_t \left( \Gamma_k^{(2)}[\varphi] + R_k \right) \right) G_k[\varphi]$$

$$\partial_t \Gamma_{\bar{c}Ac,k}^{(3)}$$

# Temperature Effects on the Ghost-Gluon Vertex

Mild temperature effect on the vertex below the scale  $2\pi T$ .



# Gluonic Vertices — Ansätze vs. Computation

## ansatz

$$\Gamma_{A^3}^{(3)} \sim S_{A^3}^{(3)} \Big|_{g=1} \sqrt{4\pi\alpha_s} (\mathbf{Z}_A)^{2/3}$$

$$\Gamma_{A^4}^{(4)} \sim S_{A^4}^{(4)} \Big|_{g=1} 4\pi\alpha_s (\mathbf{Z}_A)^2$$

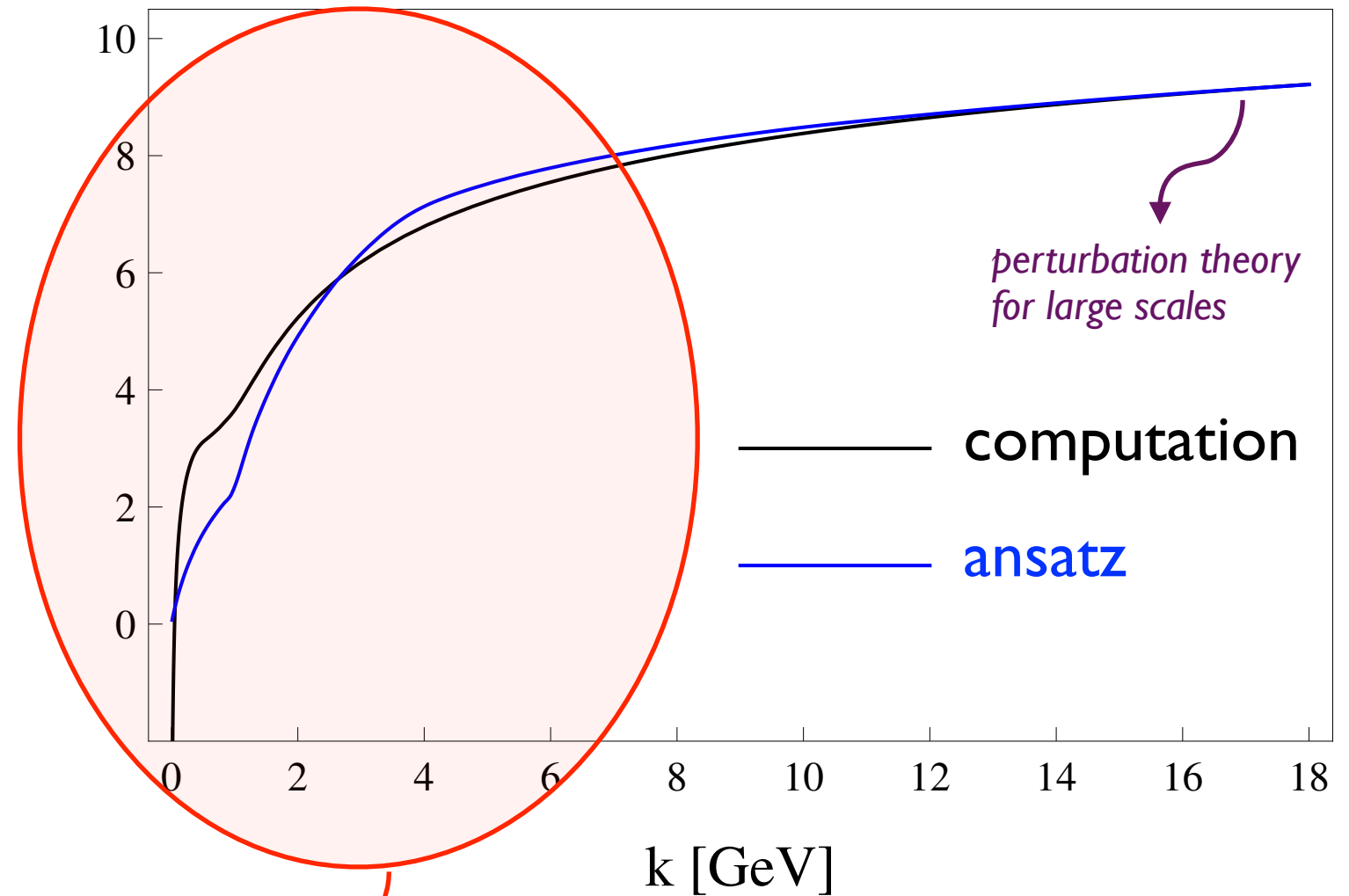
vertex  $\sim$  class. tensor-struct.

× non-pert. runn. coupl.

× **RG running**

trigluon vertex  $\Gamma_{A^3}^{(3)}$   
(Ansatz vs. Computation)

*preliminary*

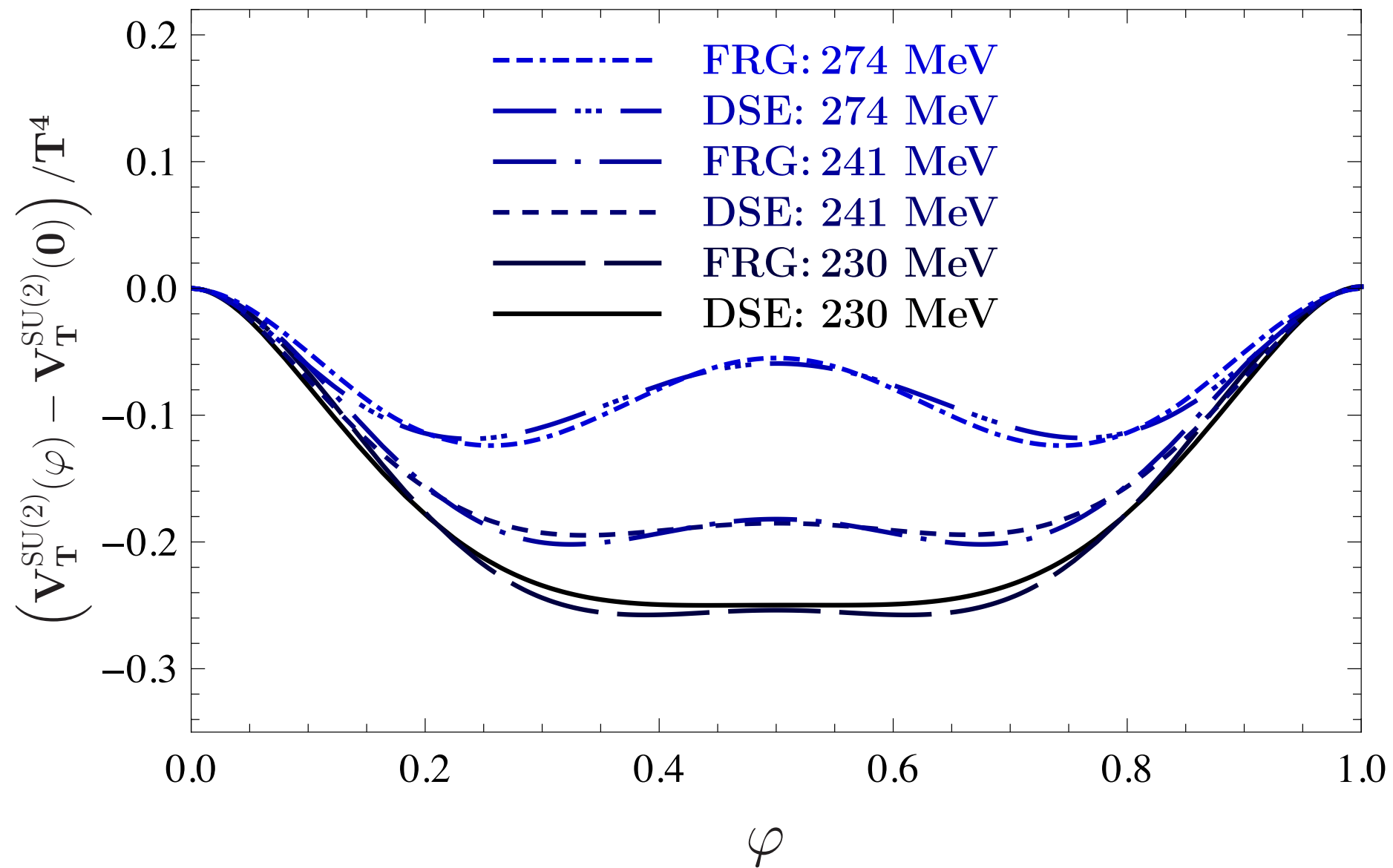


*non-perturbative regime*

*perturbation theory for large scales*



# Polyakov Loop Potential — Amplitude DSE/2PI/FRG

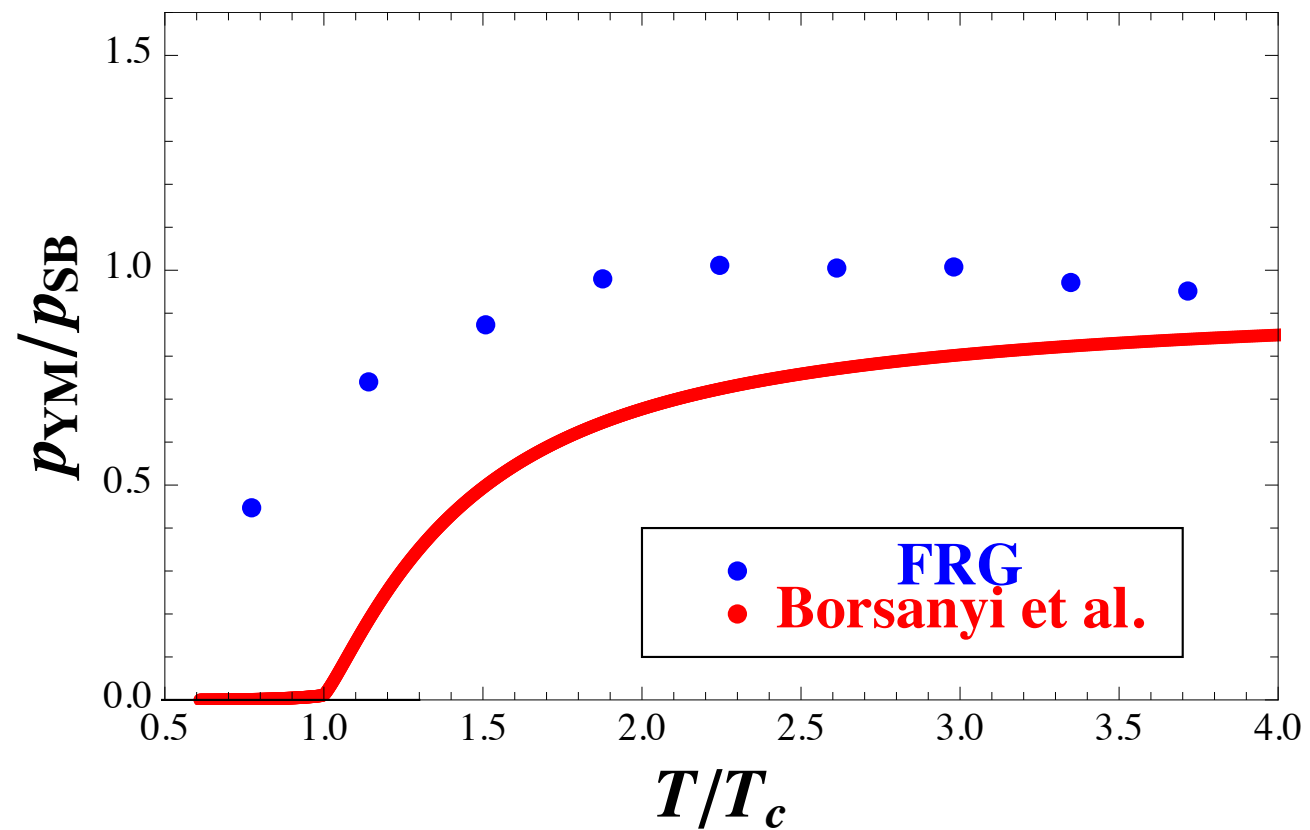


# Pressure with **T=0** props

*preliminary*

$$-p(T) = \int_{\Lambda}^0 \frac{dk}{k} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1} \Big|_T - \text{Diagram 2} \Big|_{T=0} \end{array} \right\}$$

$\int_p G_{T=0,k} \partial_t R_k$        $\int_p G_{T=0,k} \partial_t R_k$



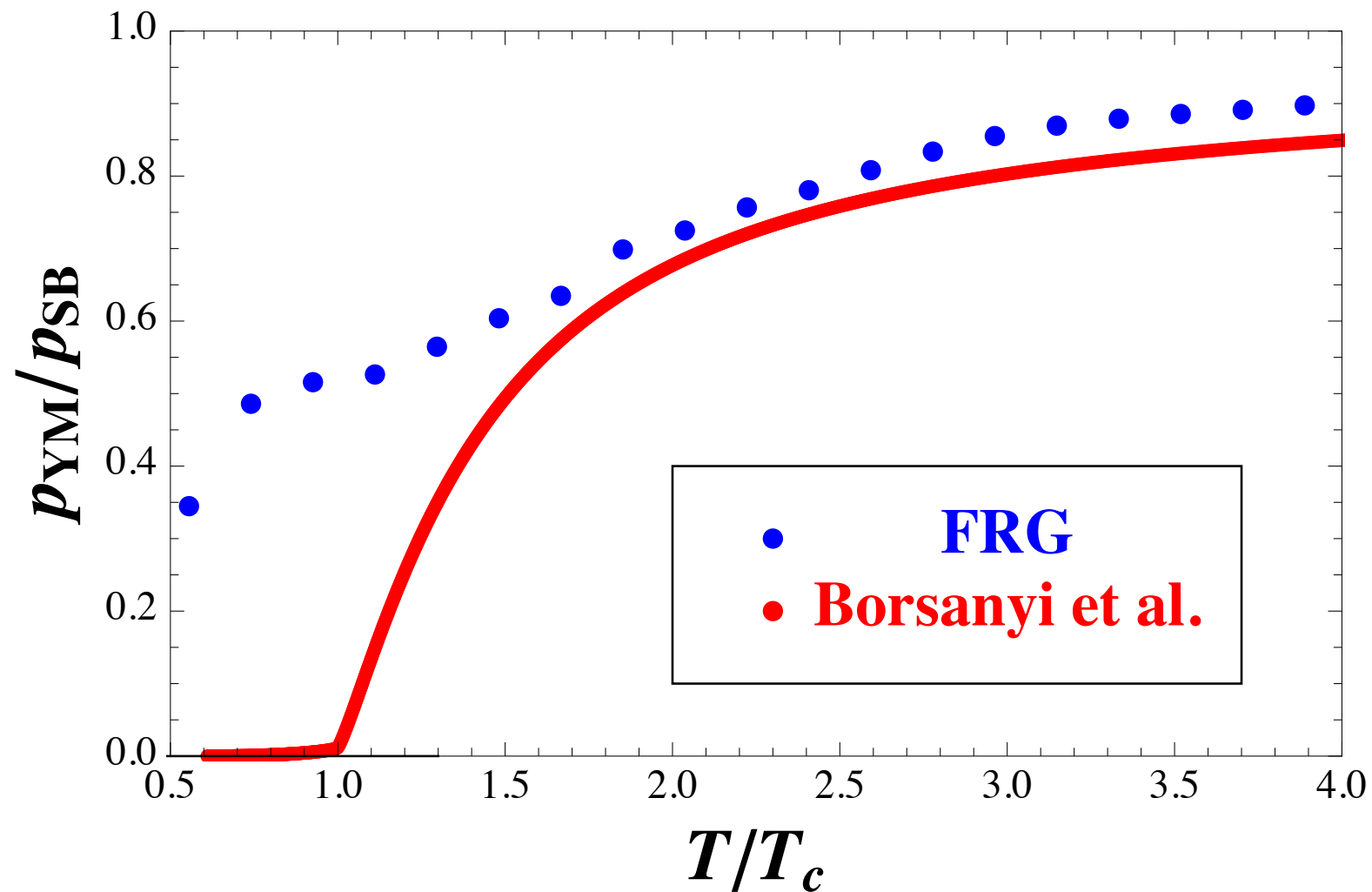
*Temperature dependence of the propagators is important!*

# Pressure **without** Polyakov Loop

*preliminary*

$$-p(T) = \int_{\Lambda}^0 \frac{dk}{k} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Polyakov Loop Diagram} \Big|_T - \text{Polyakov Loop Diagram} \Big|_{T=0} \end{array} \right\}$$

$\int_p G_{T,k} \partial_t R_k$ 
 $\int_p G_{T=0,k} \partial_t R_k$



*Polyakov loop potential crucial for critical physics.*