Thermal crossover with $N_f = 2$ twisted mass quarks : fixing the transition temperature(s) and measuring the gluon and ghost propagators at the crossover

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1. Motivation

- Thermodynamic simulations mostly with staggered fermions (computationally least demanding !)
- Unsolved problems: rooting, locality, flavor symmetry ?
- Necessary to test/compare various fermion discretization schemes.
- Wilson fermions have a clear flavor interpretation !
- Wilson fermions break chiral symmetry explicitly.
- Wilson fermions have a subtle chiral behavior and a complicated phase structure, both at T = 0 and at finite teperature.
- Wilson fermions are very sensitive to finite *a* effects.

2. Introduction: twisted mass

Improvement necessary. Two methods for Wilson fermions:

- 1. Clover improvement (for finite T, see DIK Collaboration)
- 2. Twisted mass improvement

What is twisted mass ?

Wilson twisted mass action for the fermion sector in the twisted basis :

$$S_F[\psi, \bar{\psi}, U] = a^4 \sum_x \left[\bar{\psi}(x) \left(D_W + m_0 + i\mu_0 \gamma_5 \tau^3 \right) \psi(x) \right]$$

where $D_W = \gamma_\mu \frac{1}{2a} \left(\nabla_\mu + \nabla^*_\mu \right) - \frac{ar}{2} \nabla_\mu \nabla^*_\mu$ is the Wilson-Dirac operator.

Can be rewritten as

$$S_F[\Psi,\bar{\Psi},U] = a^4 \sum_x \left[\bar{\Psi}(x)\left(\gamma_\mu \frac{1}{2a}\left(\nabla_\mu + \nabla^*_\mu\right) - \frac{ar}{2}e^{-i\omega\gamma_5\tau^3}\nabla^*_\mu\nabla_\mu + M_0\right)\Psi(x)\right]$$

in the physical basis $\bar{\Psi}$, Ψ , which is related to the twisted basis $\bar{\psi}$, ψ by the non-anomalous chiral rotation

$$\Psi = \exp\left(i\frac{\omega}{2}\gamma_5\tau^3\right)\psi ,$$

$$\bar{\Psi} = \bar{\psi}\exp\left(i\frac{\omega}{2}\gamma_5\tau^3\right)$$

with

$$M_0 = \sqrt{m_0^2 + \mu_0^2}, \qquad \tan(\omega) = \mu_0/m_0,$$

the bare polar quark mass and bare twist angle.

For maximal twist related through :

$$\Psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1 + i\gamma_5\tau^3)\psi$$
 and $\bar{\Psi} = \bar{\psi}\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1 + i\gamma_5\tau^3)$

Introducing Wilson's hopping parameter $\kappa = 1/(2am_0 + 8r)$ and rescaling as usual $\psi \to \sqrt{a^3/(2\kappa)}\psi$ leads to the standard form of twisted fermion action appearing in the simulation code :

$$S_F[\chi,\bar{\chi},U] = \sum_x \left[\bar{\chi}(x) \left(1 + i2\kappa a\mu_0 \gamma_5 \tau^3 \right) \chi(x) - \kappa \sum_\mu \bar{\chi}(x) \left((r - \gamma_\mu) U_{x,\mu} \chi(x + \hat{\mu}) + (r + \gamma_\mu) U_{x-\hat{\mu},\mu}^{\dagger} \chi(x - \hat{\mu}) \right) \right]$$

Due to the spin-flavour structure of the twisted mass term, $ia\mu_0\gamma_5\tau^3$, parity is a symmetry only combined with a discrete flavour rotation, while flavour symmetry is broken explicitly according to the pattern $SU_V(2) \rightarrow U_{(3)}(1)$.

 $U_{(3)}(1)$ is the subgroup of flavour rotations generated by τ^3 .

Standard usage in conjunction with tree-level Symanzik improved gauge action

$$S_G[U] = \beta \left[c_0 \sum_P \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{Re} \left(\operatorname{tr} \left[U(P) \right] \right) \right) + c_1 \sum_R \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{Re} \left(\operatorname{tr} \left[U(R) \right] \right) \right) \right]$$

where $\beta = 6/g_0^2$ (with g_0 the bare gauge coupling) and U(P), U(R) are plaquette and rectangle loops.

The weight coefficients satisfy $c_0 + 8c_1 = 1$, and $c_1 = -1/12$ (this is the tree-level improvement condition).

This choice corresponds to the conventions used for ETMC's data at T = 0 (needed for calibration of the lattices).

Algorithm:

- generalised hybrid Monte-Carlo algorithm,
- with even-odd preconditioning,
- with Hasenbusch trick,
- with multiple time scale integration according to the Sexton-Weingarten scheme.
- see: C. Urbach and K. Jansen, twisted mass programming suite.

Advantages of the twisted mass approach :

- prevents exceptional configurations
- twisted mass provides a natural infrared cutoff
- it should be easier to reach light PS masses
- at maximal twist, with κ set to κ_c(β),
 the twisted mass term takes the role of the mass term,
 while automatic O(a) improvement is guaranteed;
 was observed first by R. Frezzotti, G. C. Rossi (2004)

Disadvantage :

• explicit flavor symmetry breaking (small effect on m_{π^0} , has to be checked, calibration by means of $m_{\pi^{\pm}}$ measurements)

Chiral limit ?

- For natural quark masses: crossover instead of phase transition.
- Nature of the phase transition with $N_f = 2$ flavors in the chiral limit (not physical !) is however of principal interest; not settled up to now :

Does it belong to the Z(2) or O(4) equivalence classes ? Majority of previous results compatible with O(4). Or is it even a first order transition (Pisa group) ?

• How is that realized for twisted mass fermions ?

How many flavors can be simulated ?

- Rotation in flavor space involves two flavors : $N_f = 2$
- Two (degenerate or non-degenerate) doublets : $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$

First steps

Our activity (at Humboldt University) comes from two roots:

1. non-quenched study of the Aoki phase, mainly with respect to its limits in β , as a lattice artefact (2003/2005): an external source $\mu_0 \rightarrow 0$ induces symmetry breaking with an order parameter

$$\lim_{\mu_0 \to +0} \lim_{V \to \infty} \langle \bar{\psi} i \gamma_5 \tau^3 \psi \rangle \neq 0$$

that leads to spontaneous parity-flavor symmetry breaking (remnant "magnetization" in the limit $\mu_0 \rightarrow +0$)

2. entering finite-temperature studies in the twisted mass approach, forming the tmfT ("twisted mass, finite T") collaboration, the "little brother" of the European Twisted Mass Collaboration Now we are working much closer to the continuum limit, at $N_{\tau} = 10$ and 12.

Aoki phase in unquenched simulations was first discovered with $N_{\tau} = 4$! (cf. Ali Khan et al., PRD 63 (2001) 034502) Entangled with the physical finite-temperature transition !



In fact, a whole sequence of discontinuities (phase transitions) since then became discernible closer to the continuum limit :

- the Aoki phase (a discontinuity in μ_0),
- a metastability region (a discontinuity in κ),
- an unphysical but finite-temperature transition became visible at $\kappa_T >> \kappa_c(\beta)$: of deconfining nature, originating from the doubler structure.

Finally, the physically relevant finite-temperature region (crossover line) has been identified :

- κ_T decouples (with $\mu_0 = 0$) from $\kappa_c(\beta, T = 0)$ (chiral limit $m_\pi \to 0$);
- is connected via a critical endpoint and a first order line to the quenched endpoint at $\kappa = 0$.

3. Recalling the global phase structure

Hypothetical Aoki phase in the m_0 - g^2 and in the β - κ diagram

"A numerical reinvestigation of the Aoki phase with $N_f = 2$ Wilson fermions at zero temperature", PRD 69 (2004) 074511 E.-M. I., W. Kerler, M. Müller-Preussker, A. Sternbeck, H. Stüben



characteristic signal: degeneracy and splitting of π^0 and π^{\pm} masses



"Predicting the Aoki phase using the chiral Lagrangian", Stephen R. Sharpe, Robert L. Singleton, Jr., Nucl. Phys. Proc. Suppl. 73 (1999) 234-236

First order signal (jump) along the $h = \mu_0$ direction



cf. Ising model at $T < T_{Curie}$ with magnetic field $H \rightarrow \pm 0$

- \bullet Aoki phase has a finite range in κ
- and has a finite range also in β !

Over a broad β range a complicated phase stucture is known by now, w "unwanted" phase transitions, as non-physical artefacts of Wilson action Improved gauge action becomes important here !

- First example: Aoki phase (see above), not existing for $\beta > \beta_{cusp}$.
- Next, a first order transition extending in μ_0 direction was found.



First order signal now by hysteresis scans along the κ -direction



A gross overview has been given in PRD 80 (2009) 094502.

"Phase structure of thermal lattice QCD with $N_f = 2$ twisted mass Wilson fermions", PRD 80 (2009) 094502 E.-M. I., K. Jansen, M.P. Lombardo, M. Müller-Preussker, M. Petschlies, O. Philipsen, L. Zeidlewicz



All this is summarized in

The full 3-dimensional phase diagram (Creutz' conjecture)



Some κ -scans at fixed μ_0

have been used to localize the cone and estimate its width.

Confirmation of Creutz' conjecture !

What is physically relevant here ?

- Only the lower cone connects with the quenched limit ! (varying the quark mass $\rightarrow \infty$, a critical endpoint is passed, connecting the crossover to a first order line ending in the quenched endpoint at $\kappa = 0$.)
- How does a line of constant physics intersect the cone !
- The LCP should run at maximal twist !
- The LCP should not run at $\mu_0 = \text{ const } !$

The analysis rests heavily on calibration simulations at T = 0

- by the ETM Collaboration
- and partly by the tmfT Collaboration.

4. Simulation setup for the crossover temperature(s)

- Evaluated: three families of ensembles : A12, B12, C12 (one more still in progress : Z12)
- populate the three-dimensional phase diagram β , κ , μ_0
- \bullet a β scan fixes the position of the crossover line
- maximal twist: requires choice $\kappa = \kappa_c(T = 0, \beta)$
- fixed pion mass: requires choice $a\mu_0 = a\mu_0(\beta) = C \exp(-\beta/(12\beta_0))$, fitted with $\beta_0 = \frac{11-2N_f/3}{(4\pi)^2}$, or by a two-loop formula
- these fits for various families of T = 0 simulations based on data from the ETM-Collaboration [JHEP 08 097 (2010)]



List of β -scans

• A12:
$$32^3 \times 12$$
, $3.84 \le \beta \le 3.99$,
 $m_{\pi} = 316(16)$ MeV, $r_0m_{\pi} = 0.673(42)$
 $\beta_{\chi} = 3.89(3)$, $T_{\chi} = 202(7)$ MeV

• B12:
$$32^3 \times 12$$
, $3.86 \le \beta \le 4.35$,
 $m_{\pi} = 398(20)$ MeV, $r_0m_{\pi} = 0.847(53)$
 $\beta_{\chi} = 3.93(2)$, $T_{\chi} = 217(5)$ MeV
 $\beta_{\text{deconf}} = 4.027(14)$, $T_{\text{deconf}} = 249(5)$ MeV

• C12:
$$32^3 \times 12$$
, $3.90 \le \beta \le 4.07$,
 $m_{\pi} = 469(24)$ MeV, $r_0 m_{\pi} = 0.998(62)$
 $\beta_{\chi} = 3.97(3)$, $T_{\chi} = 229(5)$ MeV
 $\beta_{\text{deconf}} = 4.050(15)$, $T_{\text{deconf}} = 258(5)$ MeV

 $\kappa_c(T=0,\beta)$ and lattice spacing $a(\beta)$



One T_c or two T_c 's (chiral and deconfining ?) localized by considering:

• chiral susceptibility

$$\chi_{\sigma} = \frac{\partial \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle}{\partial m_q}$$

• disconnected part of it (looking for a Gaussian peak)

$$\sigma_{\bar{\psi}\psi}^2 = \frac{V}{T} \left(\langle (\bar{\psi}\psi)^2 \rangle - \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle^2 \right)$$

with $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle$ evaluated as stochastic estimator

• renormalized (subtracted) chiral condensate (defined as the ratio)

$$R_{\langle \bar{\psi}\psi\rangle} = \frac{\langle \bar{\psi}\psi\rangle(T,\mu_0) - \langle \bar{\psi}\psi\rangle(0,\mu_0) + \langle \bar{\psi}\psi\rangle(0,0)}{\langle \bar{\psi}\psi\rangle(0,0)}$$

• renormalized Polyakov loop (looking for an inflection point)

 $\langle \operatorname{Re}(L) \rangle_R = \langle \operatorname{Re}(L) \rangle \exp\left(V(r_0)/2T\right)$

• and its susceptibility (hardly showing a Gaussian peak)

 $\chi_{\operatorname{Re}(L)}$

 m_{π} -dependence and chiral extrapolations are discussed in papers :

- arXiv:1102.4530v2 (revised paper, December 2012)
- arXiv:1212.0982 (F. Burger at Lattice 2012)

Chiral susceptibility and Polyakov loop susceptibility for A12





Chiral susceptibility and Polyakov loop susceptibility for B12





Renormalized $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle$ for B12 and B10



Renormalized Polyakov loop $\langle \operatorname{Re}(L) \rangle_R$ for B12 and B10



5. Towards the chiral limit

Chiral extrapolations for $T_{\chi}(m_{\pi})$ for various scenarios (χPT)

$$T_{\chi}(m_{\pi}) = T_{\chi}(m_{\pi} = 0) + A \ m_{\pi}^{2/(\beta\delta)}$$

with critical indices $\tilde{\beta}$, δ corresponding to the respective equivalence classes of 3d spin models.

- O(4) : $2/(\tilde{\beta}\delta) = 1.08$ leads to $T_{\chi}(m_{\pi} = 0) = 152(26)$ MeV
- Z(2): two cases $m_{\pi,c} = 0$ or $m_{\pi,c} \neq 0$; lead to $T_{\chi}(m_{\pi} \to 0)$ between O(4) and 1-st order scenario
- first order : in literature formally 2/(β̃δ) = 2 is taken; leads to T_χ(m_π = 0) = 182(14) MeV (applicability of these "critical indices" unclear !)

It is also possible to obtain for fixed N_{τ} a critical $\beta_c(h)$ from the scaling relation

$$\beta_c(h) = \beta_{\text{chiral}} + B h^{1/(\beta\delta)} \qquad h = 2a\mu_0$$

(gives consistent results for T_{χ})

We have also discussed the scaling of the "magnetic EoS"

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi\rangle = h^{1/\delta} c f(d\tau/h^{1/(\tilde{\beta}\delta)})$$

$$au = eta - eta_{ ext{chiral}}$$

fitting scaling violations due to quark mass.

Chiral extrapolations for $T_{\chi}(m_{\pi})$ for various scenarios



Summary: possible scenarios for the $N_f = 2$ chiral limit

- 1. first order transition:
 - fit gives $T_{\chi}(m_{\pi}=0) = 182(14)$ MeV
- 2. O(4) second order transition down to $m_{\pi} = 0$: fit gives $T_{\chi}(m_{\pi} = 0) = 152(26)$ MeV
- **3.** second order Z(2) transition, fits give $T_{\chi}(m_{\pi} \rightarrow 0)$ in between.
 - either with a critical point separating second order $(m_{\pi} > m_{\pi,c})$ from first order transition $(m_{\pi} < m_{\pi,c})$ with $m_{\pi,c} \neq 0$
 - or as second order transition down to $m_{\pi,c} = 0$.

The Z12 results ($m_{\pi} \approx 280 \text{ MeV}$) will hopefully be able to exclude (at least) the first order scenario !





6. Gluon and ghost propagators: unquenched with twisted mass quarks Gauge fixing: Landau gauge

$$\nabla_{\mu}A_{\mu}(x) = \sum_{\mu} \left(A_{\mu}(x + \hat{\mu}/2) - A_{\mu}(x - \hat{\mu}/2) \right) = 0$$

$$A_{\mu}(x+\hat{\mu}/2) = \frac{1}{2iag_0} \left(U_{x\mu} - U_{x\mu}^{\dagger} \right)_{|traceless|}$$

established by maximization of

$$F_U[g] = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{x,\mu} \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{tr} \left(g_x U_{x\mu} g_{x+\mu}^{\dagger} \right)$$

with respect to gauge transformations g_x .

Gauge fixing is performed for relevant enembles of MC configurations irrespective of their origin.

Ghosts are not explicit, studied only algebraically, by inversion of the Faddeev-Popov operator.

Problem of Gribov copies serious in IR limit !

Previous work : quenched propagator study at finite T

R. Aouane et al., PRD 85 (2012) 034501 arXiv:1108.1735 [hep-lat] (with Wilson action, for various lattice sizes)

Gluon propagator in momentum space as ensemble average :

$$D^{ab}_{\mu\nu}(q) = \left\langle \widetilde{A}^a_{\mu}(k)\widetilde{A}^b_{\nu}(-k) \right\rangle,$$
$$q_{\mu}(k_{\mu}) = \frac{2}{a}\sin\left(\frac{\pi k_{\mu}}{N_{\mu}}\right)$$

For non-zero temperature Euclidean invariance is broken, useful to split $D_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(q)$ into two components, the transversal D_T ("chromomagnetic") and the longitudinal D_L ("chromoelectric") propagator, respectively,

$$D^{ab}_{\mu\nu}(q) = \delta^{ab} \left(P^T_{\mu\nu} D_T(q_4^2, \vec{q}^2) + P^L_{\mu\nu} D_L(q_4^2, \vec{q}^2) \right) \; .$$

The fourth momentum component q_4 conjugate to the Euclidean time (Matsubara frequency) has been restricted to zero.

For the propagators $D_{T,L}$ (or their respective dimensionless dressing functions $Z_{T,L}(q) = q^2 D_{T,L}(q)$) we find

$$D_T(q) = \frac{1}{2N_g} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^3 \widetilde{A}^a_i(k) \widetilde{A}^a_i(-k) - \frac{q_4^2}{\vec{q}^2} \widetilde{A}^a_4(k) \widetilde{A}^a_4(-k) \right\rangle$$

and

$$D_L(q) = \frac{1}{N_g} \left(1 + \frac{q_4^2}{\vec{q}^2} \right) \left\langle \widetilde{A}_4^a(k) \widetilde{A}_4^a(-k) \right\rangle ,$$

where $N_g = N_c^2 - 1$ and $N_c = 3$.

The Landau gauge ghost propagator is given by

$$G^{ab}(q) = a^2 \sum_{x,y} \langle e^{-2\pi i (k/N) \cdot (x-y)} [M^{-1}]^{ab}_{xy} \rangle$$
$$= \delta^{ab} G(q) = \delta^{ab} J(q)/q^2 ,$$

with the four-vector $(k/N) \equiv (k_{\mu}/N_{\mu})$.

J(q) denotes the ghost dressing function. The matrix M is the lattice Faddeev-Popov operator

$$M_{xy}^{ab} = \sum_{\mu} \left[A_{x,y}^{ab} \delta_{x,y} - B_{x,y}^{ab} \delta_{x+\hat{\mu},y} - C_{x,\mu}^{ab} \delta_{x-\hat{\mu},y} \right]$$

$$A_{x,y}^{ab} = \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{tr} \left[\{T^a, T^b\} (U_{x,\mu} + U_{x-\hat{\mu},\mu}) \right],$$

$$B_{x,y}^{ab} = 2 \cdot \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{tr} \left[T^b T^a U_{x,\mu} \right],$$

$$C_{x,y}^{ab} = 2 \cdot \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{tr} \left[T^a T^b U_{x-\hat{\mu},\mu} \right],$$

The corresponding renormalized functions, in momentum subtraction (MOM) schemes, can be obtained from

$$Z_{T,L}^{ren}(q,\mu) \equiv \tilde{Z}_{T,L}(\mu)Z_{T,L}(q),$$

$$J^{ren}(q,\mu) \equiv \tilde{Z}_J(\mu)J(q)$$

with the \tilde{Z} -factors being defined such that $Z_{T,L}^{ren}(\mu,\mu) = J^{ren}(\mu,\mu) = 1$. For the gluon dressing function we employed the Gribov-Stingl formula

$$Z_{\rm fit}(q) = q^2 \frac{c \ (1 + d \ q^{2n})}{(q^2 + r^2)^2 + b^2} ,$$

For the ghost dressing function used a fit formula like

$$J_{\rm fit}(q) = \left(\frac{f^2}{q^2}\right)^k + h$$

Our main emphasis: Finite-volume and discretization studies, providing continuum parametrizations for various temperatures, as input for finite-T for continuum studies

- Gribov copy and finite volume effects of minor importance in the momentum range under study
- fits of the momentum dependence of the propagators $0.6 \ GeV < q < 3.0 \ GeV$
- in the temperature range $0.65 < T/T_{\text{deconf}} < 2.97$

Temperature dependence studied at finite scale ($\beta = 6.337$)

T/T_c	N_{τ}	N_{σ}	β	$a(\text{GeV}^{-1})$	$a(\mathrm{fm})$	n_{conf}	n_{copy}
0.65	18	48	6.337	0.28	0.055	150	1
0.74	16	48	6.337	0.28	0.055	200	1
0.86	14	48	6.337	0.28	0.055	200	1
0.99	12	48	6.337	0.28	0.055	200	1
1.20	10	48	6.337	0.28	0.055	200	1
1.48	8	48	6.337	0.28	0.055	200	1
1.98	6	48	6.337	0.28	0.055	200	1
2.97	4	48	6.337	0.28	0.055	210	1

long simulated annealing chains, no copies !

Volume and discretization dependence at two fixed temperatures

T/T_c	N_{τ}	N_{σ}	β	$a(\text{GeV}^{-1})$	$a(\mathrm{fm})$	n_{conf}	n_{copy}
0.86	8	28	5.972	0.49	0.097	200	27
0.86	12	41	6.230	0.33	0.064	200	1
0.86	16	55	6.440	0.24	0.048	200	1
1.20	6	28	5.994	0.47	0.094	200	27
1.20	8	38	6.180	0.35	0.069	200	1
1.20	12	58	6.490	0.23	0.045	200	1
0.86	14	56	6.337	0.28	0.055	200	1
0.86	14	64	6.337	0.28	0.055	200	1
1.20	10	56	6.337	0.28	0.055	200	1
1.20	10	64	6.337	0.28	0.055	200	1

Gribov effect studied partly with 27 copies !

q dependence for various temperatures



${\cal T}$ dependence for various lattice momenta



"Order parameters" constructed from the longitudinal propagator D_L

$$\chi = \frac{D_L(0,T) - D_L(q,T)}{D_L(0,T)}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{D_L(0, T) - D_L(q, T)}{D_L(0, T_{\min}) - D_L(q, T_{\min})}$$

with $T_{\min} = 0.65 T_c$

for various fixed lattice momenta as function of ${\cal T}$

T dependence of "order parameters" for various lattice momenta



q and T dependence of the ghost dressing function





Our finite-temperature results for pure Yang-Mills theory were used by Kenji Fukushima and Kouji Kashiwa, arXiv:1206.0685 [hep-ph]

- in the effective potential for the Polyakov loop
- for reconstructing the Equation of State (EoS)

In leading order of the 2PI formalism, the thermodynamical potential can be approximated as follows in terms of the gluon and ghost propagators :

$$\frac{1}{T}\Omega_{\text{glue}} \simeq -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \ln D_{\text{gl}}^{-1} + \text{tr} \ln D_{\text{gh}}^{-1}$$

for example, the inverse gluon propagator has been extracted from our data for $T < 1.2 T_c$

$$D_{\rm gl}^{-1}(p^2) = \left[p^2 Z_T(p^2) T_{\mu\nu} + \xi^{-1} p^2 Z_L(p^2) L_{\mu\nu} \right] \delta^{ab}$$

Order parameter and EoS of pure Yang-Mills Success mainly in recovering the transition temperature !



In the same paper, based on schematic lattice propagators, the "order parameters" and EoS of full QCD have been presented :

Order parameters and EoS of full QCD



Our recent paper : arXiv:1212.1102

"Landau gauge gluon and ghost propagators from lattice QCD with $N_f = 2$ twisted mass fermions at finite temperature" R. Aouane, F. Burger, E.-M. I., M. Müller-Preussker, A. Sternbeck is an unquenched propagator study for twisted mass ensembles of the tmfT collaboration, leading to continuum parametrizations in the momentum ranges :

- 0.4 GeV < q < 3.0 GeV for the gluon propagators (perfect fit !) fitting parameter b² in the Grivov-Stingl fit compatible with zero (no splitting in complex conjugate poles visible in this momentum range !)
- 0.4 $GeV < q < 4.0 \ GeV$ for the ghost propagator (less good, fit correct within few percent, a mass term $m_{\rm gh}$ would't help),

Done for various temperatures in the range 180 MeV < T < 260 MeV. Renormalized propagators for renormalization scale $\mu = 2.5 GeV$ The unrenormalized dressing functions, for the transverse gluon Z_T (left panel), for the longitudinal gluon Z_L (middle panel) and for the ghost J (right panel) for various temperatures, B12 for $m_{\pi} = 398$ MeV



To describe the *T*-dependence, ratios of the renormalized dressing functions or propagators

$$R_{T,L}(q,T) = D_{T,L}^{ren}(q,T) / D_{T,L}^{ren}(q,T_{\min}),$$

$$R_G(q,T) = G^{ren}(q,T) / G^{ren}(q,T_{\min})$$

are shown as functions of the temperature T for 6 fixed momentum values $q \neq 0$, and for different pion masses. For better visibility, ratios are taken with respect to the lowest temperature T_{\min} .



B12 with $m_{\pi} = 398$ MeV



The ratio R_T at zero momentum for the three pion mass values



 $R_T(q=0,T)$

The inverse renormalized longitudinal gluon propagator $(D_L^{ren})^{-1}$ at zero momentum



$$D_L^{ren})^{-1}(q=0,T) \; [\text{GeV}^2]$$

7. Conclusions and Outlook

- The $N_f = 2$ crossover structure and the investigation of its chiral limit are close to completion.
- The results are in fair agreement with other results with Wilson fermions (DIK collaboration) and other lattice fermions.
- The EoS is will be presented soon in full detail (F. Burger). First reliable results have been presented at Lattice 2012.
- Chiral and deconfinement crossover are not strictly coincident.
- The effect of the crossover on the gluon propagator is weak. Masses too large ! Longitudinal gluon propagator most sensitive.
- Future orientation of the tmfT collaboration ? Probably, we will turn to $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ simulations.