



Yang-Mills thermodynamics

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nonperturbative Yang-Mills thermodynamics: SU(2)

[Herbst & RH (2004), RH (2005-2007), Giacosa & RH (2006), Schwarz, Giacosa & RH (2007), Ludescher & RH (2008), Falquez, Baumbach & RH (2010- 2011), RH (2012), Krasowski & RH (2013), Grandou & RH (2015), RH (2016)]

thermal ground state at high temperature:

- Euclidean action:

$$S = \frac{\text{tr}}{2} \int_0^\beta d\tau \int d^3x F_{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}, \quad (\beta \equiv 1/T)$$

where $F_{\mu\nu} \equiv \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu - ig[A_\mu, A_\nu]$ [Schafer et Shuryak (1996)]

- (anti)selfdual gauge fields: [(anti)calorons]

$$F_{\mu\nu}[A] = \pm \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}[A] \Rightarrow \theta_{\mu\nu}[A] \equiv 0.$$

(A_μ periodic)

field configs. stabilized by gauge-field winding: $\partial\mathbf{R}^4 = S_3 \rightarrow SU(2) = S_3$

- in particular: (anti)calorons of winding number **unity**

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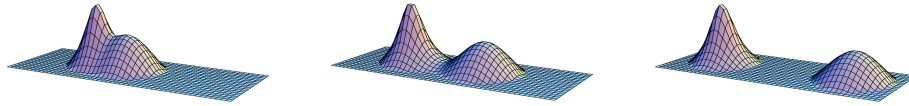
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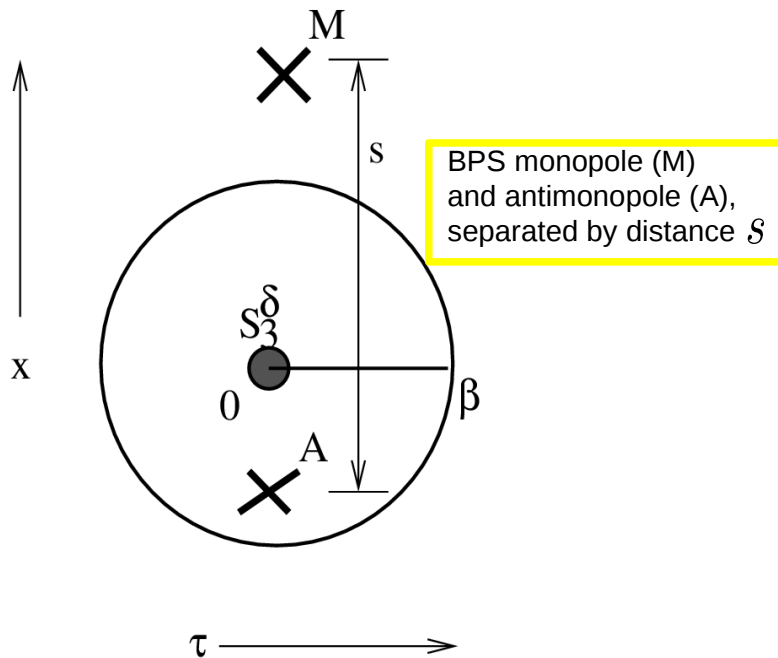
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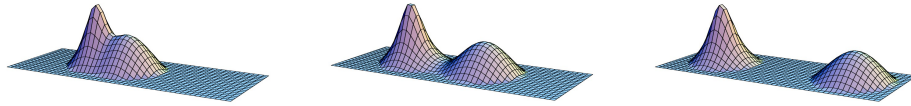
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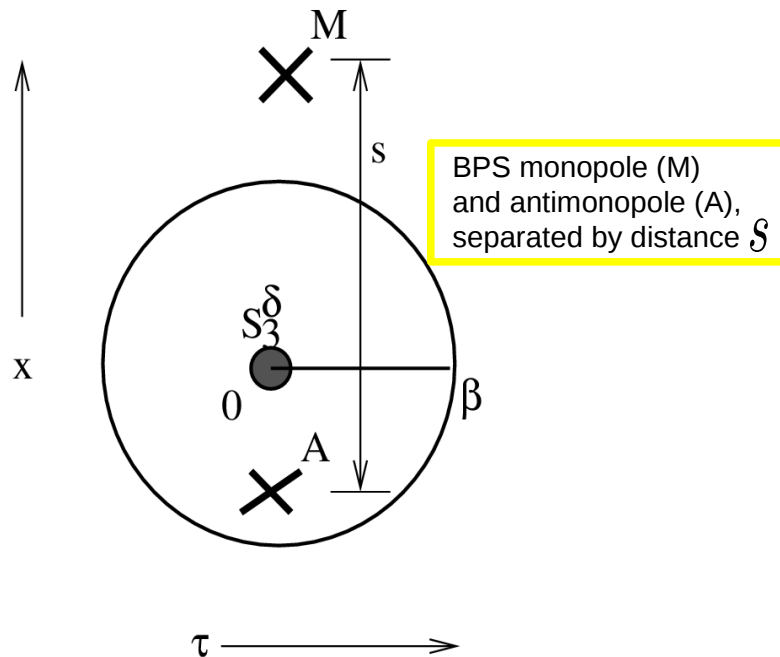
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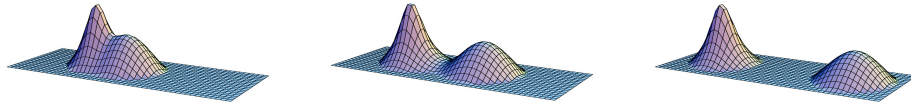
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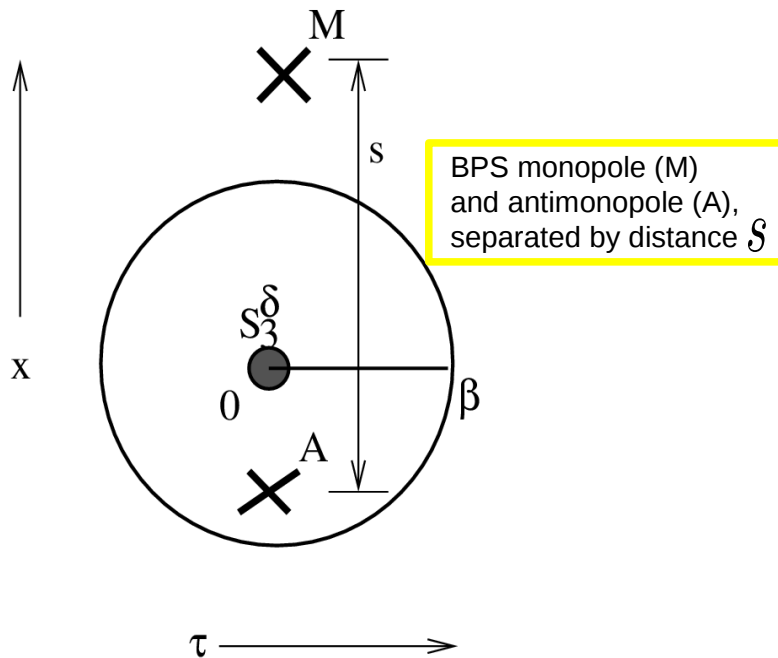
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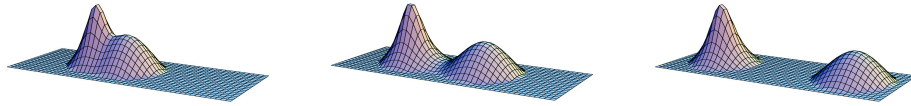
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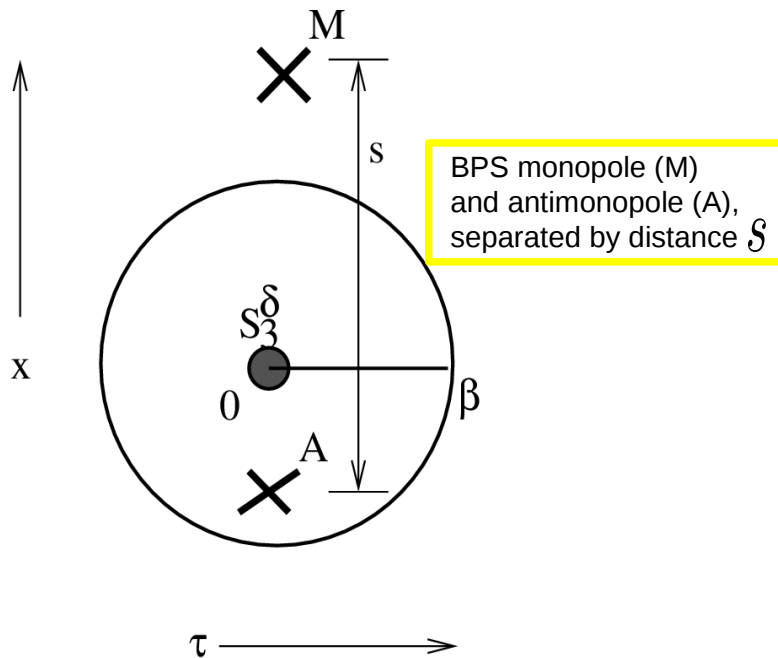
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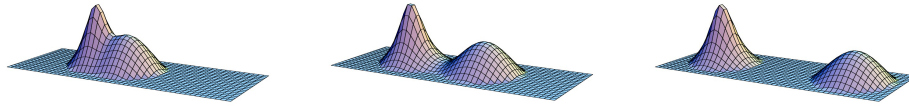
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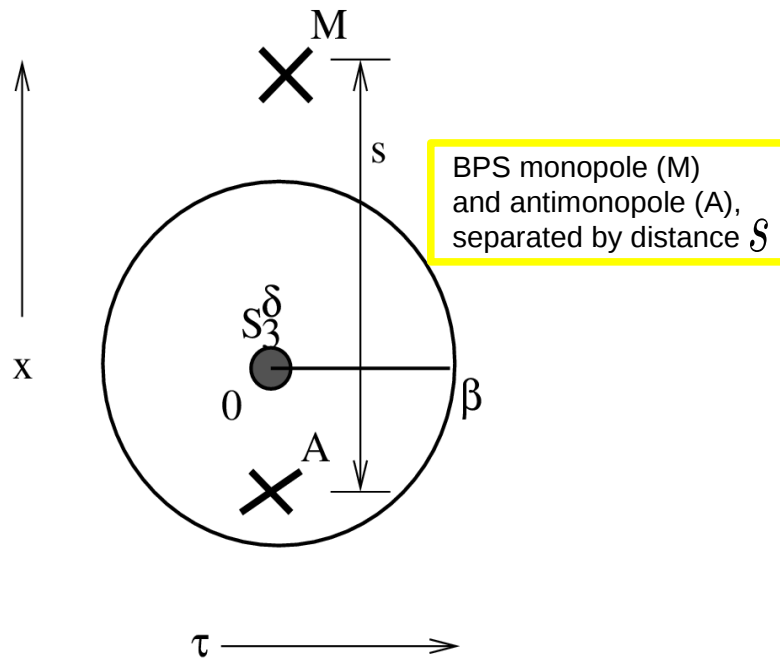
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- trivial-holonomy limit:
M massless, A still massive, stable

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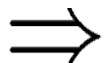
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- BPS equation:

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no **additive** ambiguity in V !

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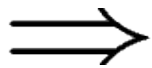
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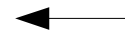
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(centers of HS (anti)calorons packed densely, static peripheries overlap to form a_μ^{gs})



$$P_{gs} = -\rho_{gs} = -4\pi\Lambda^3 T.$$



interacting small and transient-holonomy (anti)calorons, (collapsing monopole-antimonopole pairs)

(vanishing entropy density of ground state!)

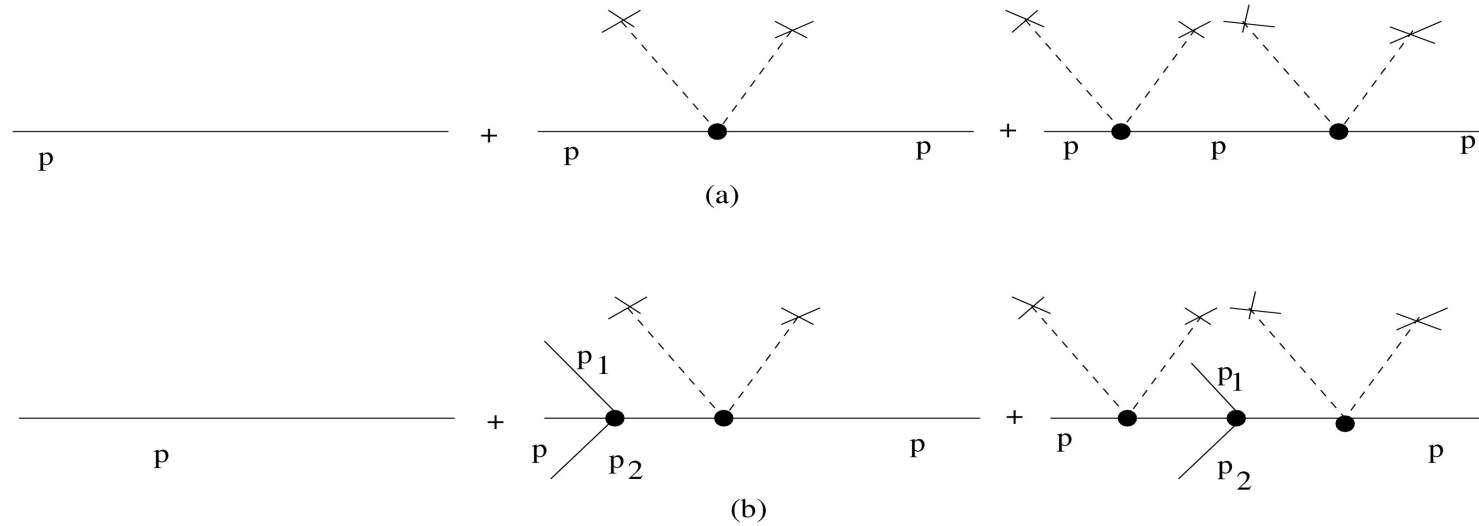
adjoint Higgs mechanism (deconfining phase)

(SU(2) → U(1))

- from effective action:

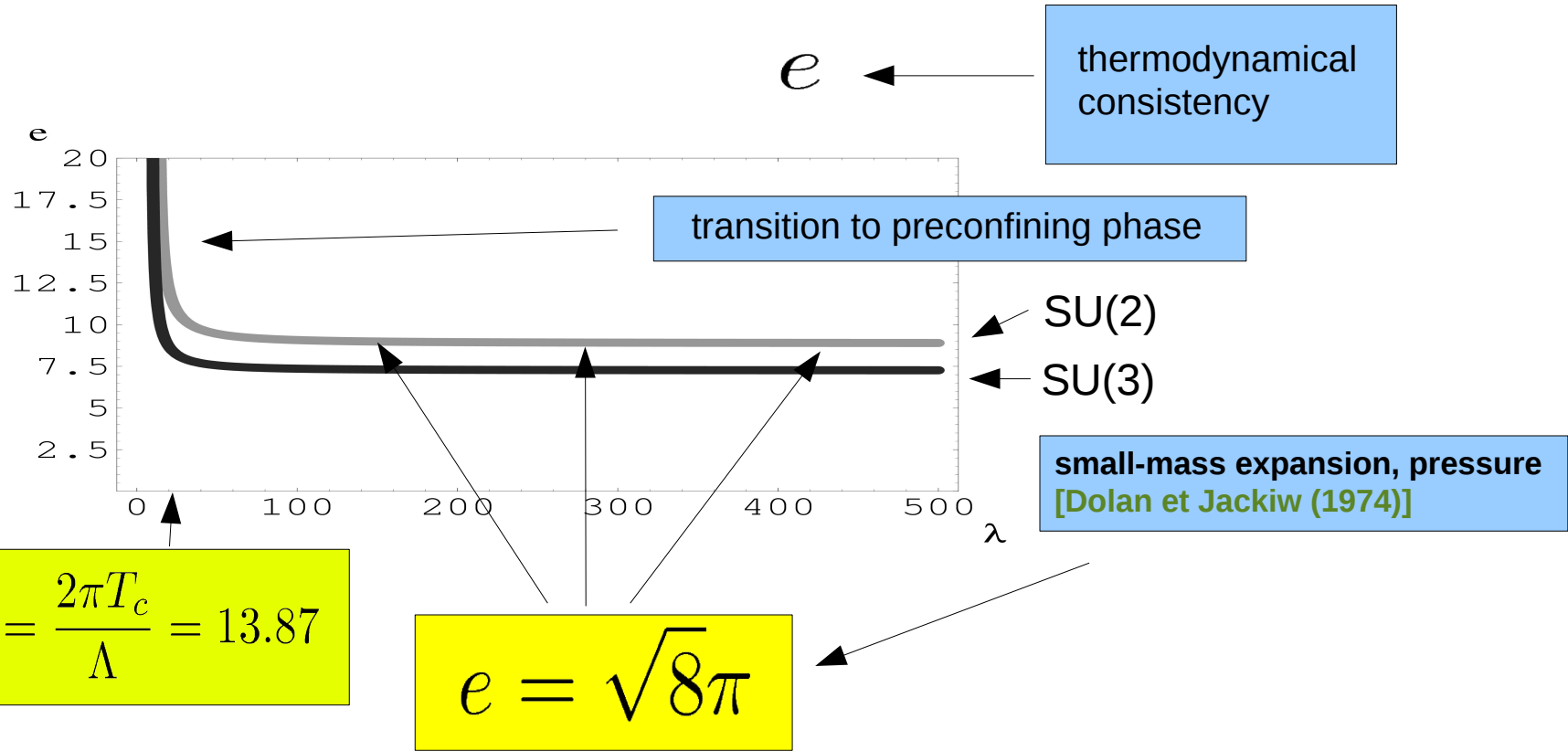
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- no momentum transfer to ϕ , but this infinitely often
(Dyson series for mass generation):

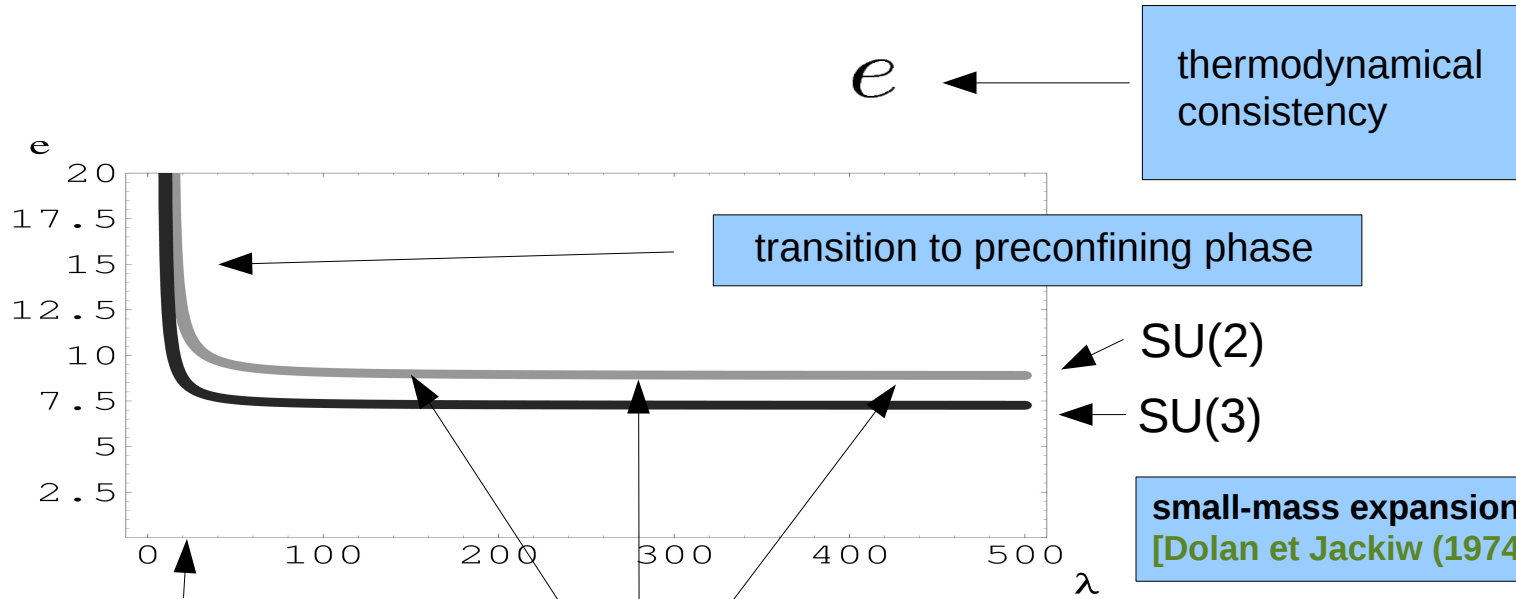


- no off-shell propagation of massive modes
(otherwise: momentum transfer to ϕ !)

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coarse-graining dominated by $\rho \sim |\phi|^{-1}$

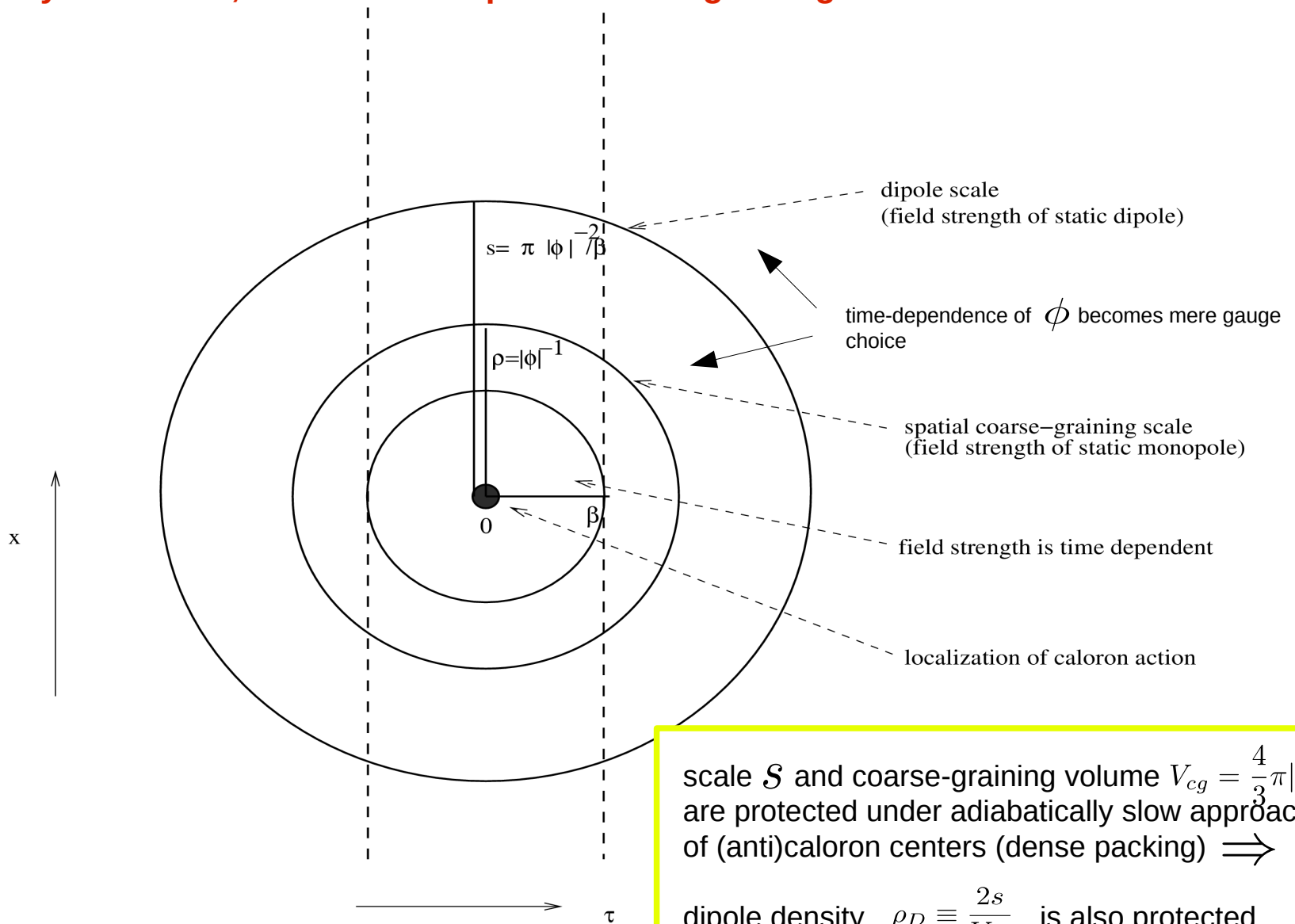
- restore \hbar

$$e = \frac{\sqrt{8\pi}}{\sqrt{\hbar}}$$

$$S_{C/A} = \hbar.$$

[Brodsky et al. (2011); Kaviani & RH (2012), RH (2012,2013)]

anatomy of caloron, inferred after spatial coarse-graining:



scale S and coarse-graining volume $V_{cg} = \frac{4}{3}\pi|\phi|^{-3}$ are protected under adiabatically slow approach of (anti)caloron centers (dense packing) \Rightarrow

dipole density $\rho_D \equiv \frac{2s}{V_{cg}}$ is also protected

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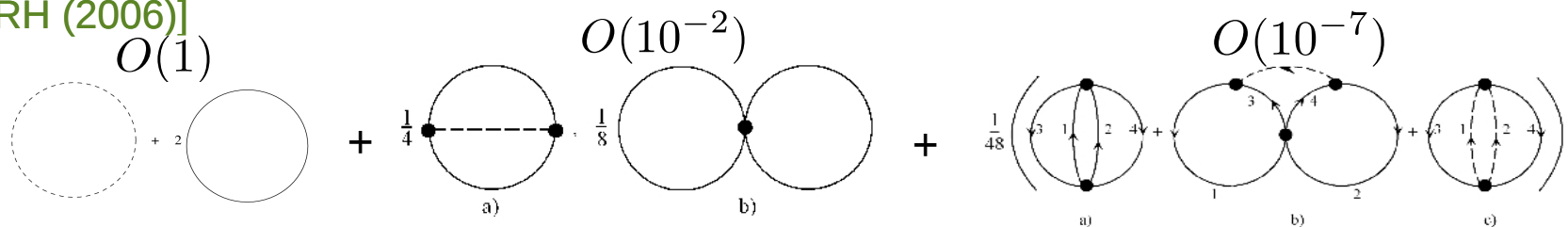
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kinematic constraints in (totally fixed) unitary-Coulomb gauge imply that radiative corrections are extremely well controlled

[Schwarz, Giacosa, & RH (2006), Ludescher & RH (2008)]

expansion of thermodyn. quantities into 1PI loops probably terminates at finite order, say, pressure

[RH (2006)]



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But: magnetic coupling
in SU(2)

$$g = \frac{4\pi}{e} .$$

\Rightarrow SU(2) to be interpreted in an **electric-magnetically dual way**.
(e.g., magnetic monopole \longleftrightarrow electric monopole, etc.)

electric/magnetic dipole density (permittivity/permeability of vacuum):
[temperature a fictitious quantity]

$$|\mathbf{D}_e| = \frac{2s}{V_{cg}} \propto T^{1/2}$$

external electric field strength (plane wave):

$$\rho_{gs} = 4\pi T \Lambda^3 = \rho_{EM} = \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E}_e^2 \Rightarrow |\mathbf{E}_e| \propto T^{1/2}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\epsilon_0 \equiv \frac{|\mathbf{D}_e|}{|\mathbf{E}_e|} \neq f(T)$$

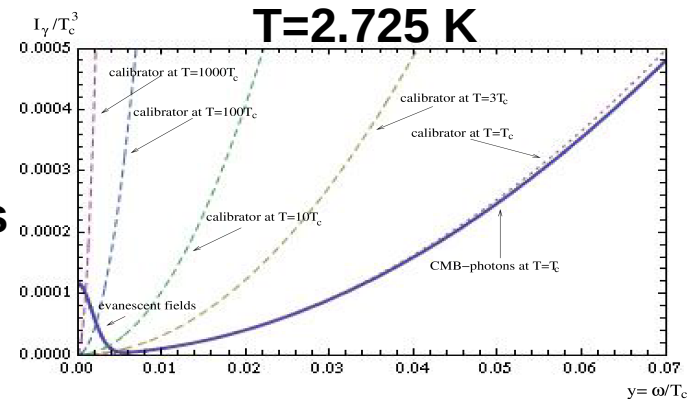
similarly for magnetic permeability μ_0 .

[Grandou & RH (2015)]

evidences for $SU(2)_{\text{CMB}}$ ($\Lambda_{\text{CMB}} \sim 10^{-4} \text{ eV}$): photon at tree level

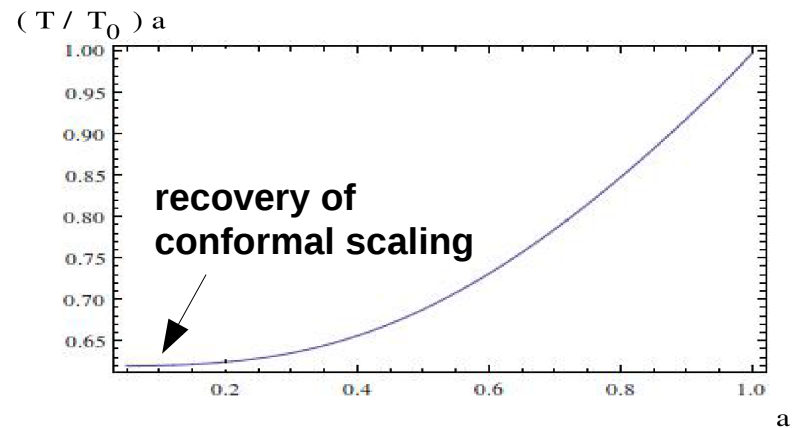
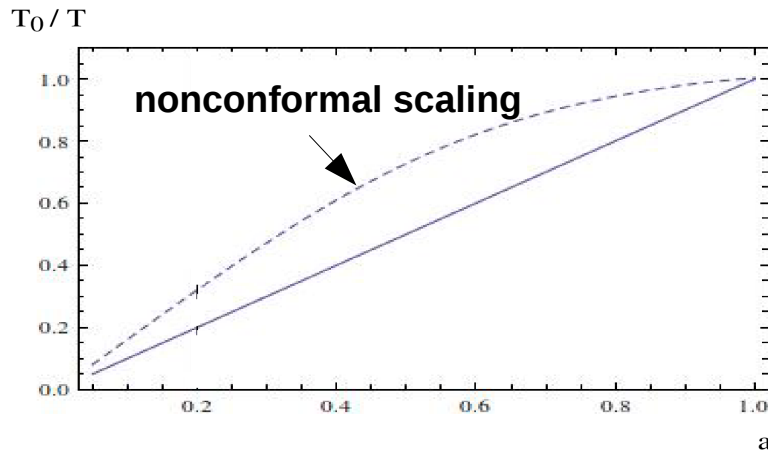
- cosmic radio background (UEGE), onset of Meissner effect \rightarrow **evanescent modes at low frequencies**

[terrestrial observ. (1981-1999),
Arcade 2 (2009), RH (2009)]



- CMB angular spectrum vs. Gunn-Peterson trough (quasars) inferred early re-ionisation of intergalactic medium ($z=11$ vs. $z=6$ discrepancy), **non-conformal $T - a$ relation at late times**

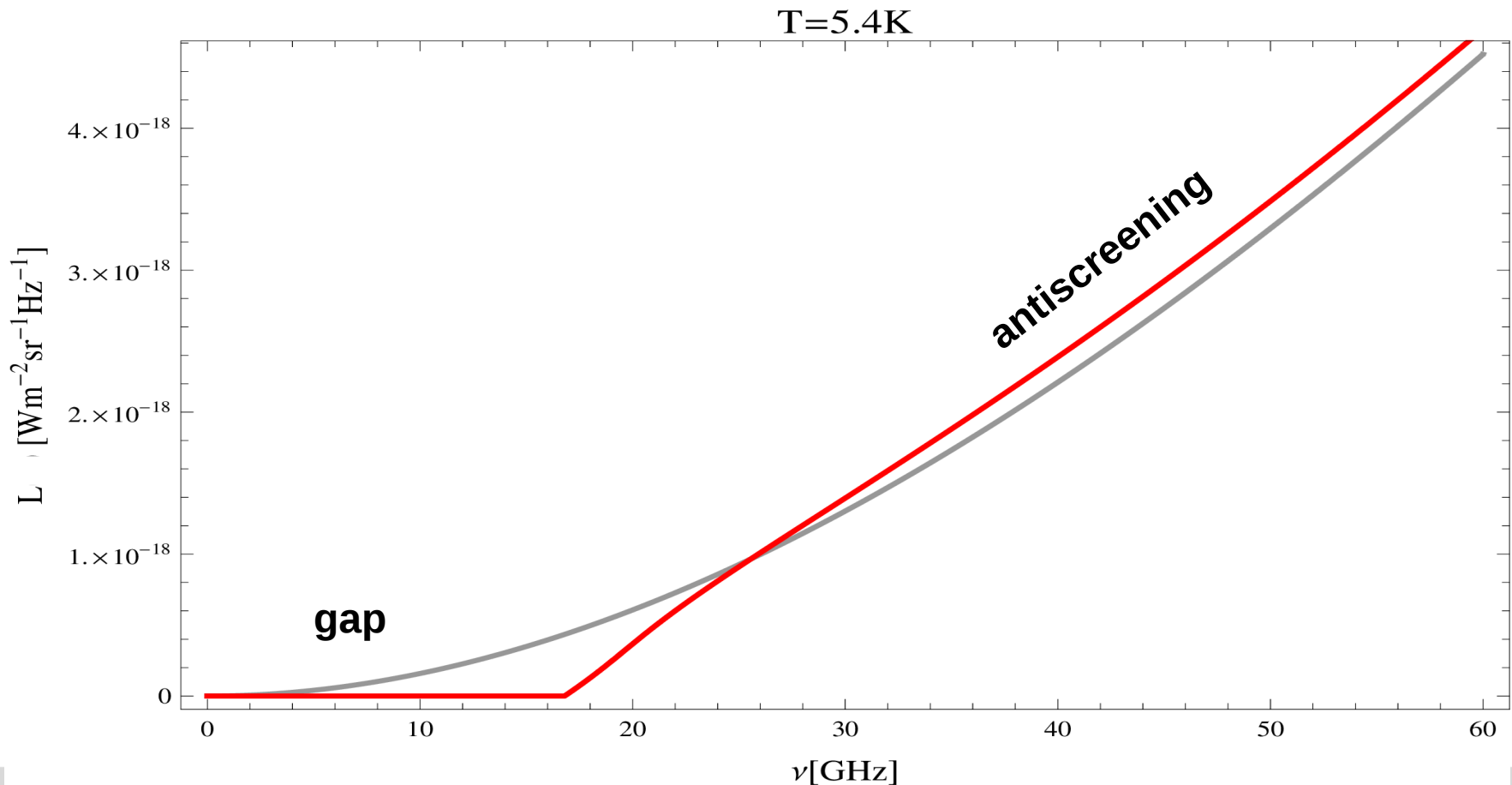
[Becker et al. (2001), WMAP coll. (2004), Planck coll. (2013)]



[RH (2014)]

evidences for $SU(2)_{\text{CMB}}$ ($\Lambda_{\text{CMB}} \sim 10^{-4} \text{ eV}$): one-loop polarization

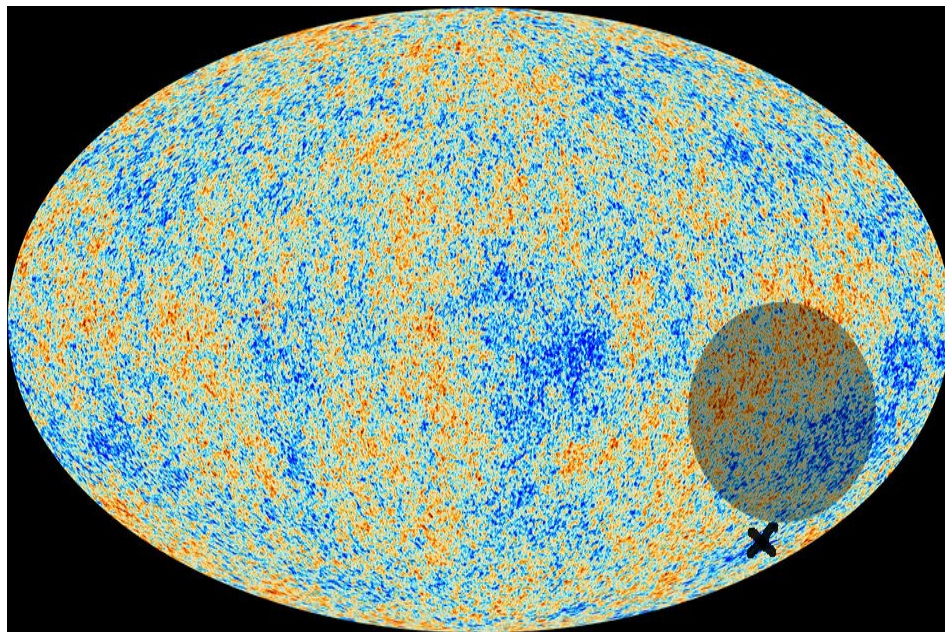
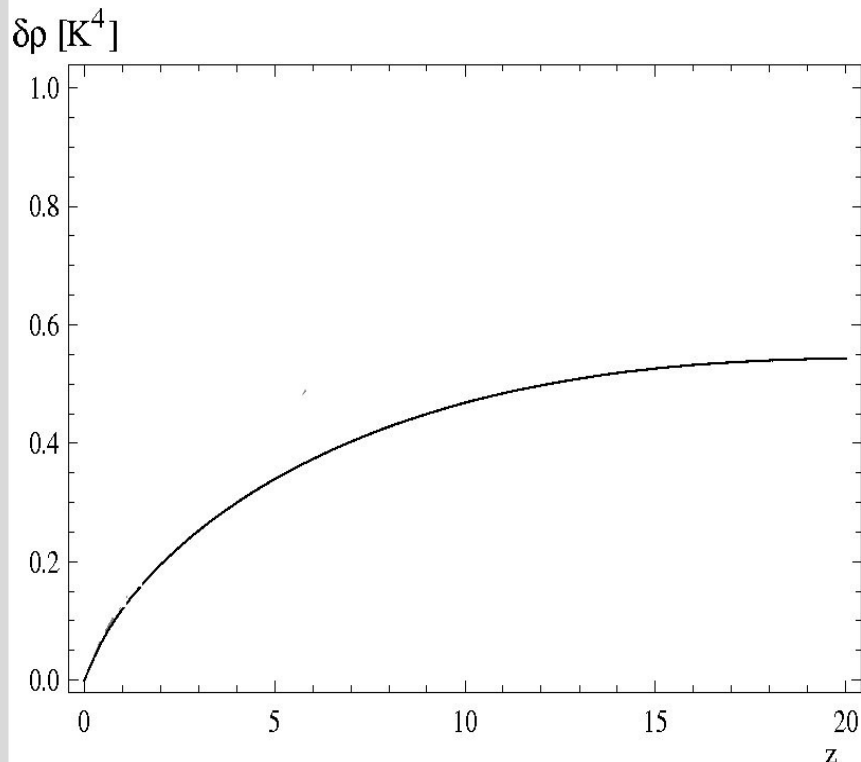
- **spectral blackbody anomaly**: max. gap in Rayleigh-Jeans reg. at $T \sim 5 \text{ K}$, massless mode – transverse polarizations
[Schwarz, Giacosa & RH (2006), Ludescher & RH (2008), Falquez, RH & Baumbach (2010,2011)]



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- integral blackbody anomaly:

difference $\delta\rho$ between energy density of $SU(2)$ and $U(1)$,
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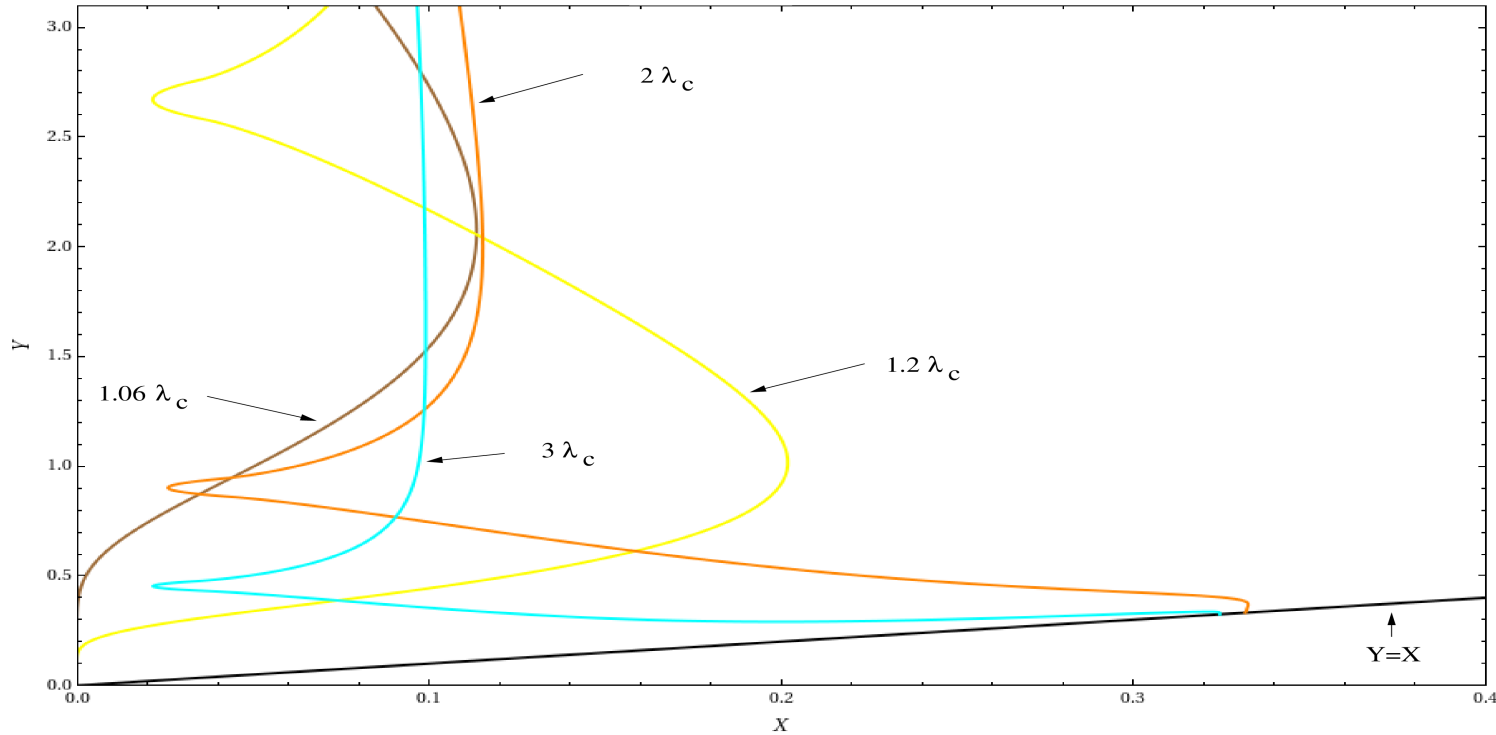


(positive slope of $\delta\rho$ bias for **negative** temperature fluctuations in late-time CMB)

[Szopa et al 2007, *RH Nature Physics* (2013)]

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- low-momentum support of magnetic branches (dual interpretation)
massless mode – longitudinal polarization



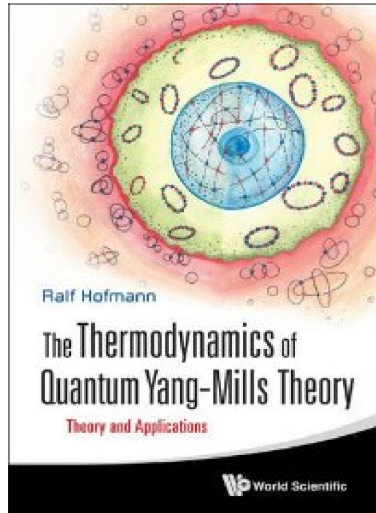
intergalactic magnetic fields

[Falquez et al. (2011)]

summary

- alternative to high-T perturbation theory:
caloron induced dynamical gauge SB by thermal ground state
- effective thermal quantum field theory for deconfining phase of SU(2) YM
- effective coupling evolution: - caloron action \hbar ,
- caloron mediation of effective vertices,
- e-m dual interpretation
- effective radiative corrections: extremely well controlled
- SU(2) photons: tree-level and one-loop polarization anomalies
 - CMB anomalies
 - cosmic radiobackground
 - quasar vs CMB wrt reionization,
 - spectral & integral BB anomalies
(CMB at large angles)
 - extragalactic magnetic fields

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