

Yang-Mills thermodynamics

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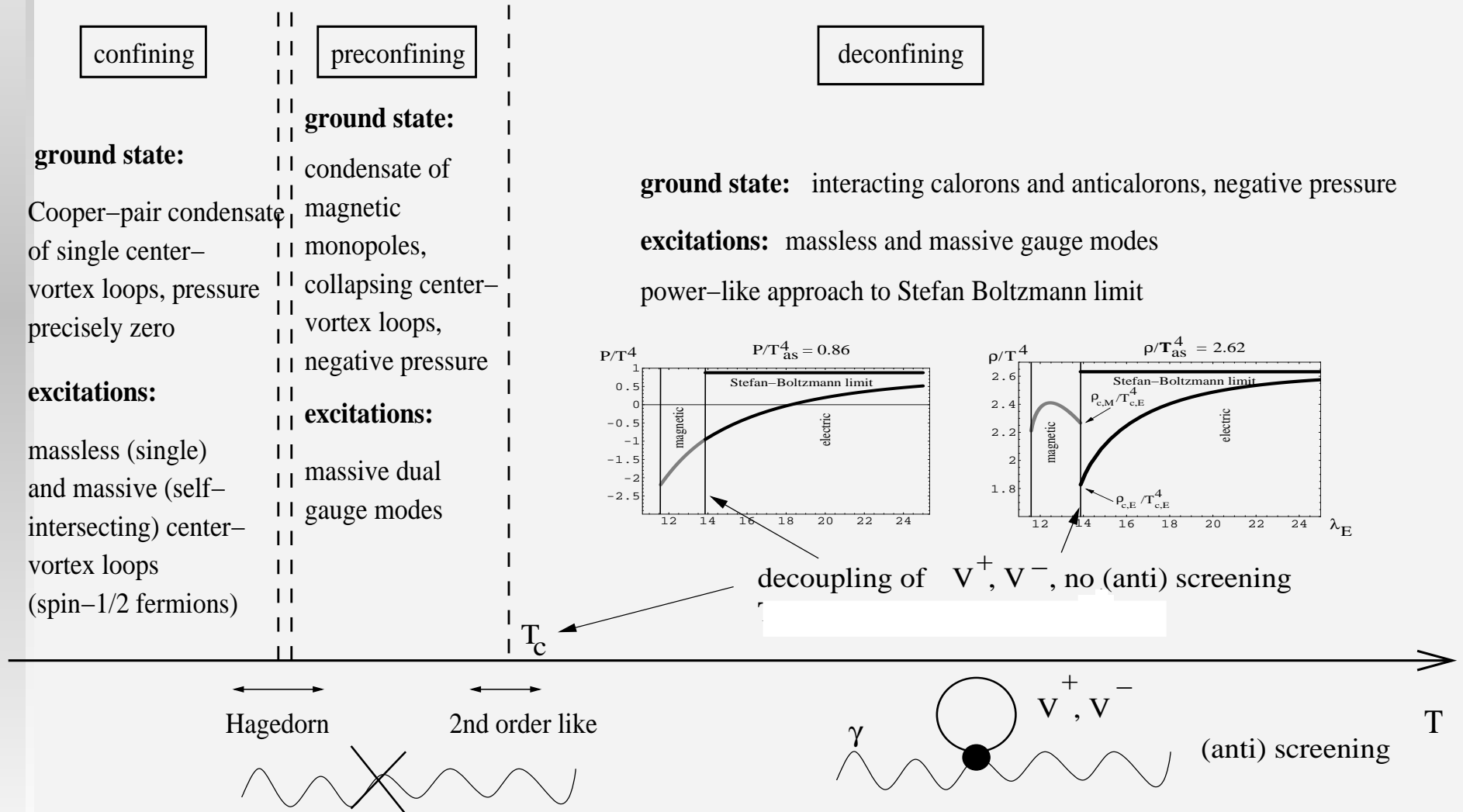
plan

- ▶ brief motivation and preview on phase diagram
[[hep-th/0504064](#) and [0710.0962](#)]
- ▶ deconfining ground-state physics:
coarse-grained, interacting calorons
- ▶ coarse-grained excitations:
Legendre-trafos and loop expansion
- ▶ preconfinement:
cond. magn. monopoles, dual Meissner effect
- ▶ low temperatures:
Hagedorn, flip of statistics, Borel summation
- ▶ summary, conclusions, mention of applications

Why nonpert. YMTD?

- ▶ infrared instability of PT even for $T \gg \Lambda$ in magnetic sector
[Linde 1980]
- ▶ highly nonpert. ground-state physics even for $T \gg \Lambda$:
 - $\theta_{\mu\mu} \propto T$, magnetic charge, ...
[Miller 1998, Ilgenfritz et al., Muller-Preussker et al., Gattringer, Bruckmann & van Baal, Garcia Perez et al., Bruckmann, Nogradi, van Baal... 1999-2007]
 - spatial string tension: $\sigma \propto T^2$
[Philipsen 1998, Korthals-Altes 1998, Laine et al. 2004 ...]
- ▶ limited lattice control of thermodynamical quantities at low temperature

preview: phase diagram SU(2)



deconfining ground state

- ▶ coarse-grained (anti)calorons of $|Q| = 1$
 \Rightarrow adjoint scalar field ϕ^a , $|\phi|$ spatially homogeneous
- ▶ strategy:
 - thermodynamics $\Rightarrow \phi^a$ periodic in eucl. time
in any admissible gauge \Rightarrow
phase $\hat{\phi}^a$ determined by *classical* configs.
 - stable configs.: $|Q| = 1$ HS (anti)calorons (BPS)
of trivial holonomy
(no EXPLICIT holonomy in deconfining phase!)
[Gross, Pisarski, Yaffe 1981]

- compute $\hat{\phi}^a \in (\text{Kernel of } \mathcal{D}) \equiv \mathcal{K}$ respecting isotropy and $S_{\text{HS}} = \frac{8\pi^2}{g^2} \neq f(T, \Lambda)$ in *inf.*-vol. average over magnetic-magnetic correlation mediated by *single* (anti)caloron
- fixes \mathcal{D} uniquely \Rightarrow winding number
- pick max. resolution μ such that $\mu = |\phi| = \text{const}$
- consistency of BPS and Euler-Lagrange
- $\Rightarrow V(\phi)$ and Λ as constant of integration
- $\Rightarrow \mu = |\phi|$ consistent with IR saturation of \mathcal{K}

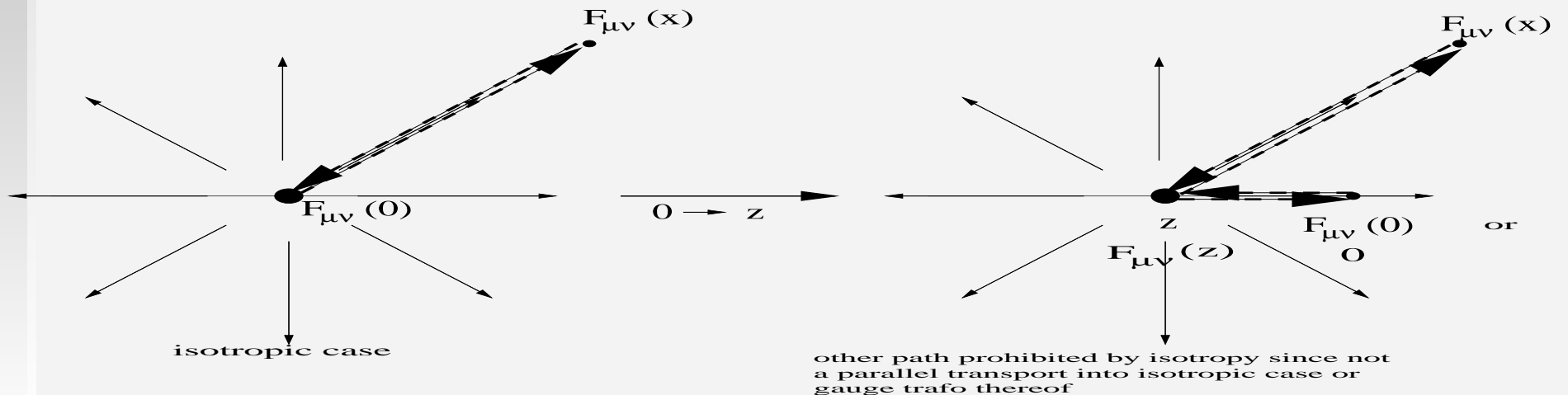
technically:

(integration over $S_3^{R=\infty}$)

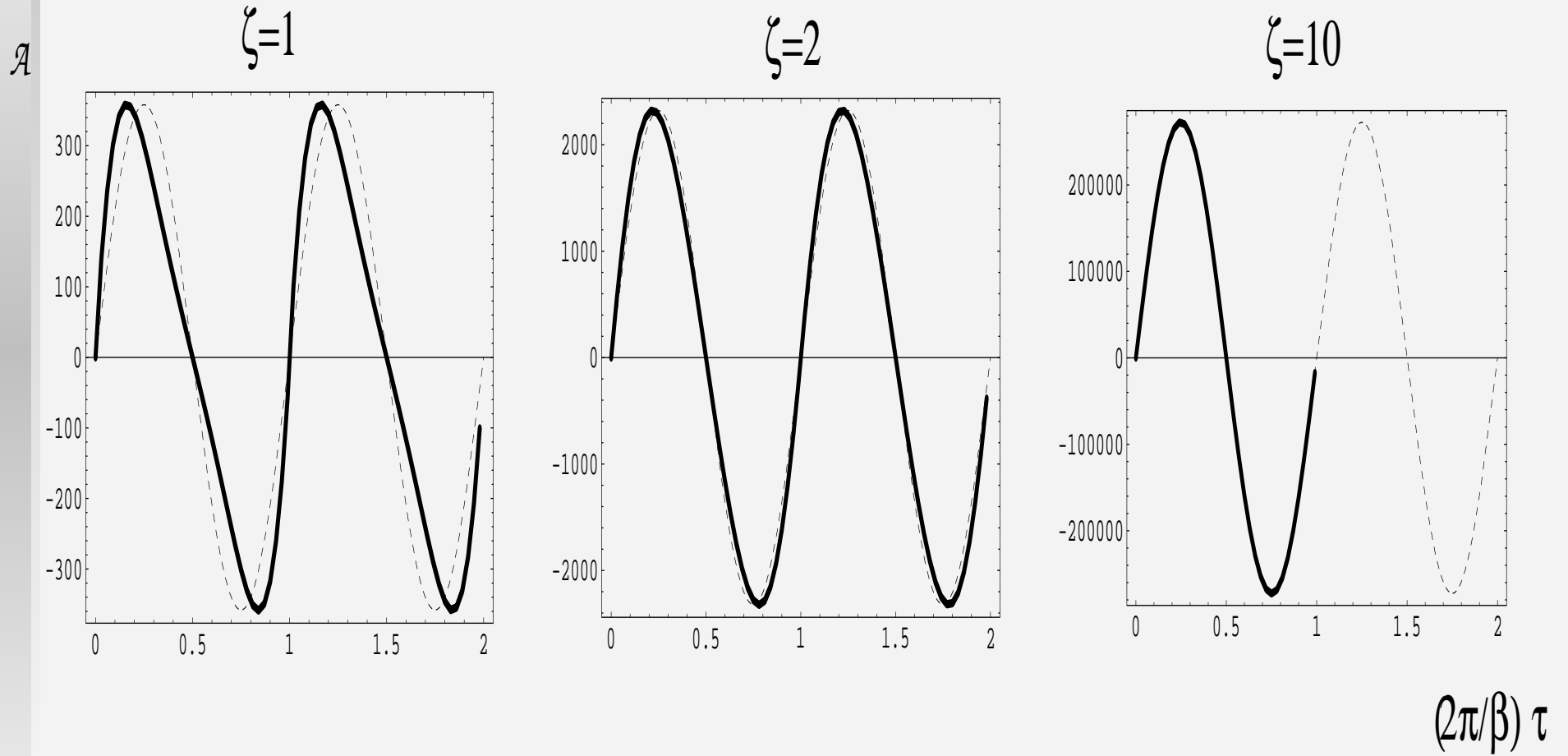
$$\hat{\phi}^a(\tau) \in \sum_{\text{HS (anti)caloron}} \text{tr} \int d^3x \int d\rho \frac{\lambda^a}{2} \times$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}((\tau, 0)) \{(\tau, 0), (\tau, \vec{x})\} \times$$

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saturation:



\Rightarrow

$$\mathcal{D} = \partial_\tau^2 + \left(\frac{2\pi}{\beta}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_{|\phi|^2} V(|\phi|^2) = -\frac{V(|\phi|^2)}{|\phi|^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad V(\phi) = \text{tr } \Lambda^6 \phi^{-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\phi| = \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda^3}{2\pi T}}$$

\Rightarrow unique, coarse-grained action for
noninteracting $|Q| = 1$ HS (anti)calorons

$\Rightarrow \phi$'s inertness for $\lambda \equiv \frac{2\pi T}{\Lambda} \geq 13.87 = \lambda_c$
(as we shall see)

What about $Q = 0$?

- ▶ perturbative renormalizability:

[’t Hooft, Veltman 1971-73]

⇒ coarse-graining over $Q = 0$ yields same form as fundamental action

- ▶ gauge invariance glues $Q = 0$ to $|Q| = 1 \Rightarrow$

$$S = \text{tr} \int_0^\beta d\tau \int d^3x \left(\frac{1}{2} G_{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu} + D_\mu \phi D_\mu \phi + \Lambda^6 \phi^{-2} \right)$$

- ▶ subject to offshellness constraints in unitary-Coulomb gauge
(coarse-graining down to resolution $|\phi|$)

full ground state

- ▶ from $D_\mu G_{\mu\nu} = ie[\phi, D_\nu\phi]$:
 - pure gauge $a_\mu^{bg} = \frac{\pi}{e} T \delta_{\mu 4} \lambda_3$
 - \Rightarrow ground-state energy-density and pressure
 - $\rho^{g.s} = 4\pi \Lambda^3 T = -P^{g.s} \neq 0$
- ▶ rotation to unitary gauge $a_\mu^{bg} = 0$:
 - gauge transformation singular but admissible
(does not affect periodicity of fluct. δa_μ)
 - but: $\text{Pol}[a^{bg}] = -\mathbf{1} \xrightarrow{GT} \text{Pol}[a^{bg}] = +\mathbf{1}$
 - $\Rightarrow Z_2^{\text{el}}$ degeneracy
 - \Rightarrow deconfinement

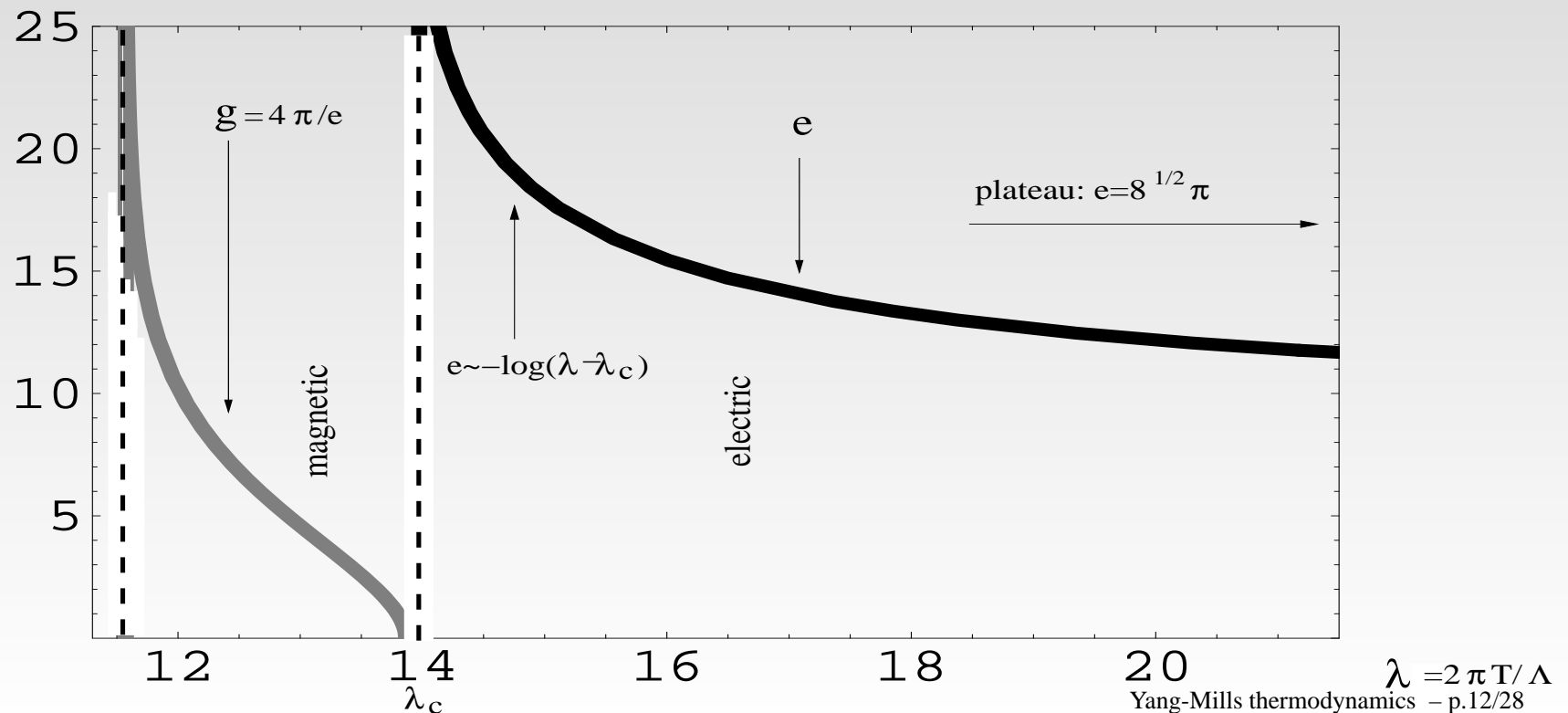
excitations and loop expansion

- ▶ adjoint Higgs mechanism:

2 out of 3 directions massive with $m = e \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_E^3}{2\pi T}}$

- ▶ evol. of eff. coupl. e : Legendre trasfos betw. P, ρ, \dots

$\Rightarrow e = \sqrt{8\pi}$ almost everywhere



▶ trace anomaly: $\frac{\theta_{\mu\mu}}{\Lambda^4} = 12\lambda$ for $\lambda \gg \lambda_c$
[Giacosa, RH 2007]

▶ counting of d.o.f.:

fundamentally:

3 species (gluons) \times 2 pols. +
1 species (monop) \times 2 charges = 8

after coarse-graining:

2 species (gluons) \times 3 pols. +
1 species (gluon) \times 2 pols. = 8
 \Rightarrow 8 (fund) = 8 (coarse-grained).

same way for SU(3):

\Rightarrow 22 (fund) = 22 (coarse-grained)

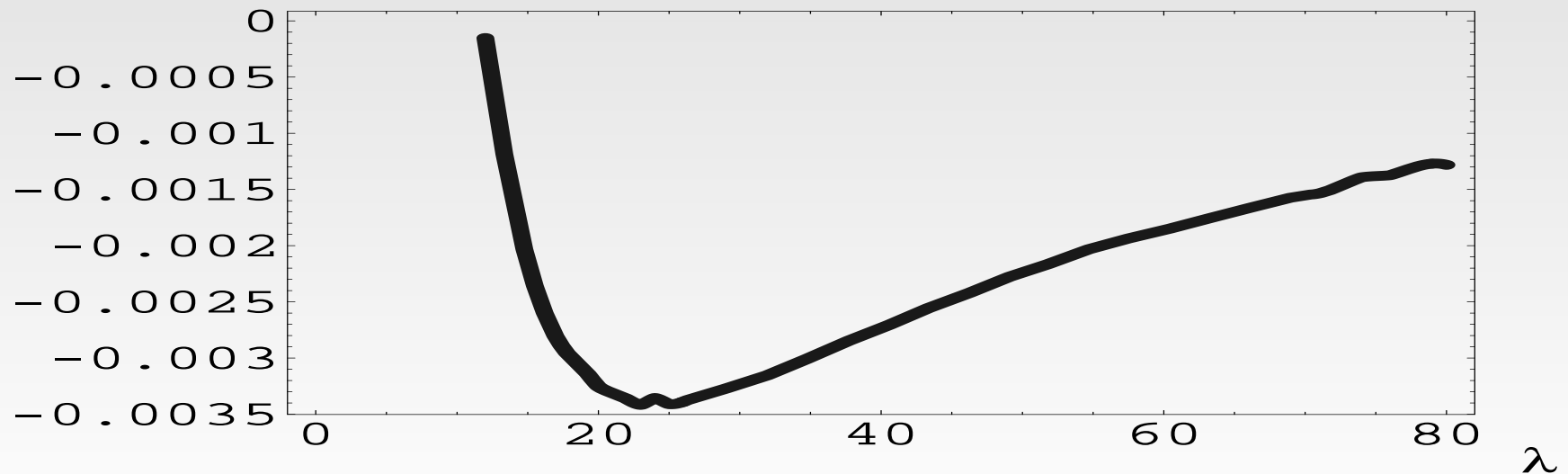
► **loop expansion:**

2-loop:

[Rohrer,Herbst,RH 2004; Schwarz,RH,Giacosa 2006]

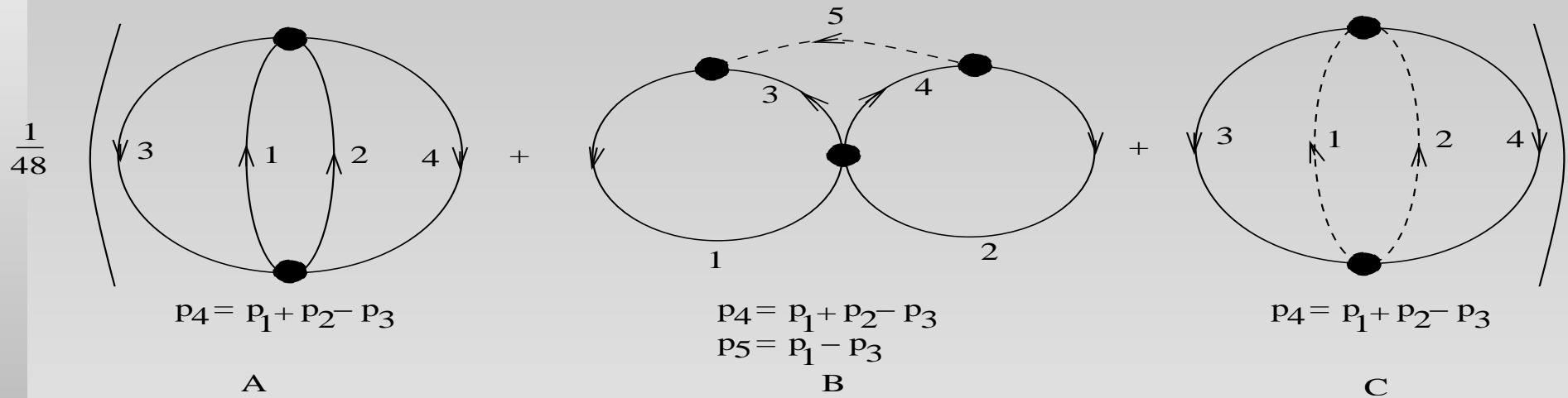
$$\Delta P = \frac{1}{4} \left(\text{Diagram 1} \right) + \frac{1}{8} \left(\text{Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3} \right)$$

$$(\Delta P_{\text{ttv}}^{\text{HHM}} + \Delta P_{\text{ttc}}^{\text{HHM}}) / P_{1\text{-loop}}$$

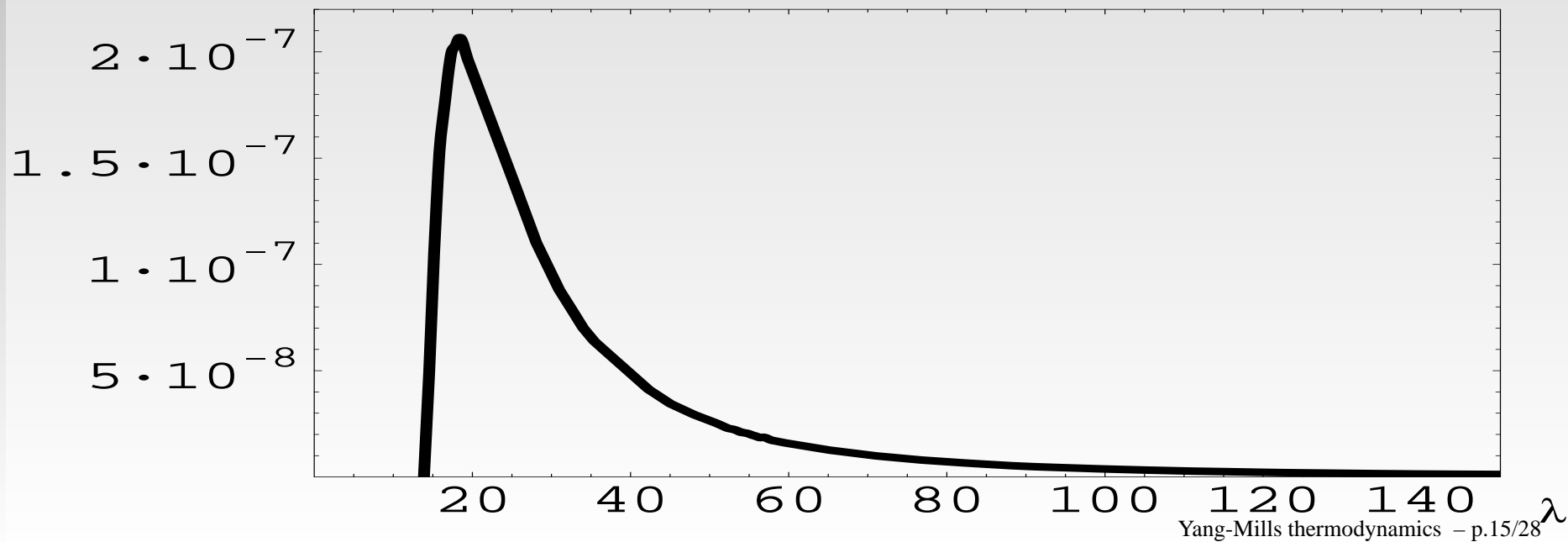


irreducible 3-loop:

[Kaviani, RH 2007]



$$> |\Delta P_B| / P_{1-loop}$$



arguments on loop expansion in general:

[RH 2006]

- resummation of 1PI diagrams
⇒ **no pinch singularities**
- irreducible diagrams **terminate**
at finite loop order

(Euler characteristics for spherical polyhedron,
constraints on loop momenta in effective theory

⇒

number of constraints **exceeds**

number of independent radial loop variables

at **sufficiently large number of loops**)

preconfining phase

- ▶ cond. of monop. (stable, nontrivial holonomy):
[Diakonov et al. 2004; Gerhold, Ilgenfritz, Muller-Preussker 2006; Diakonov & Petrov 2007]
 - phase of complex scalar = magnetic flux through $S_2^{R=\infty}$ of M-A pair at rest ($e \rightarrow \infty$)
 - modulus as in dec. phase
 - no change of form of action for free dual gauge modes by coarse-graining
 \Rightarrow **unique effective action**
 - Polyakov loop always unique
 - pressure exact at one loop
 - evol. of dual coupling g (Legendre trafos)

▶ counting of d.o.f.:

fundamentally:

1 species ('photon') \times 2 pols. +
1 species (center-vortex loop) = 3

after coarse-graining:

1 species (massive 'photon') \times 3 pols. = 3
 \Rightarrow 3 (fund) = 3 (coarse-grained).

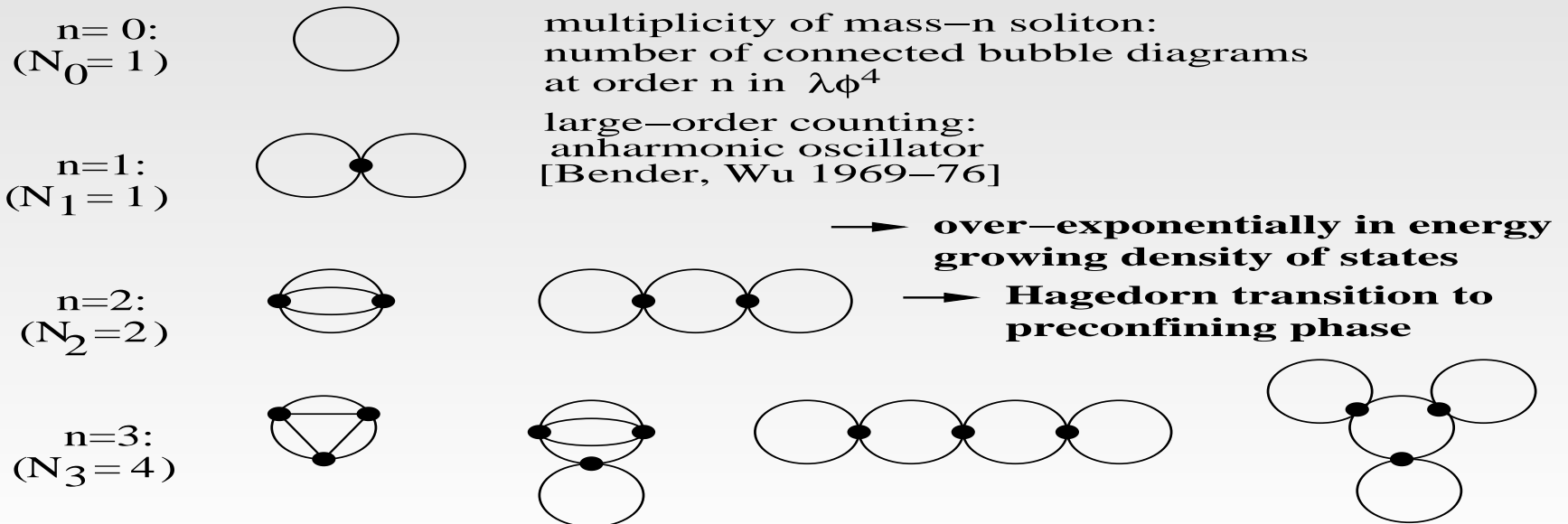
same way for SU(3):

\Rightarrow 6 (fund) = 6 (coarse-grained)

low temperature

- ▶ condensation of center-vortex loops (CVL's)
['t Hooft 1978, de Forcrand & Smekal 2002, de Forcrand & Noth 2005, ...]

- discrete values of phase of complex scalar field
= units of center flux through min. surface;
spanned by $S_1^{R=\infty}$; modulus=condensate
- spectrum: single and selfintersecting CVL's



▶ counting of d.o.f.:

fundamentally:

1 species ('very massive photon') \times 3 pols.=3

after coarse-graining:

1 species (massless CVL)+

1 species (massive CVL) \times 2 charges=3

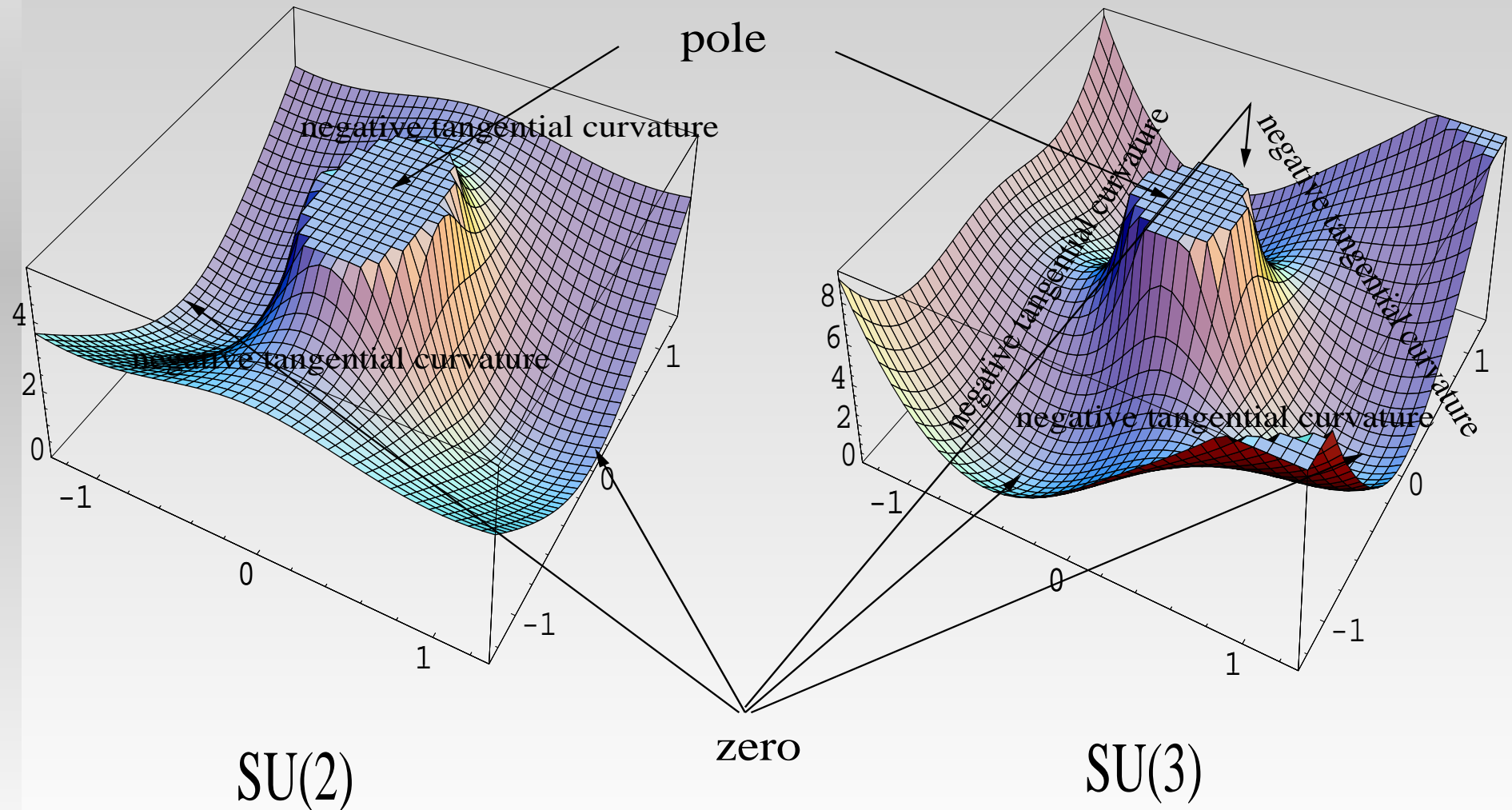
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- potential unique up to inessential,
U(1) invariant rescaling

[lattice invest.: Scheffler, RH, Stamatescu 2007]



- **asymptotic-series** representation of pressure:

$$P_{\text{as}} = \frac{\Lambda^4}{2\pi^2} \hat{\beta}^{-4} \times \left(\frac{7\pi^4}{180} + \sqrt{2\pi} \hat{\beta}^{\frac{3}{2}} \sum_{l=0}^L a_l \sum_{n \geq 1} (32\lambda)^n n! n^{\frac{3}{2}+l} \right),$$

where $\hat{\beta} \equiv \Lambda/T$ and $\lambda \equiv \exp[-\hat{\beta}]$.

[uses Bender, Wu 1968–1976]

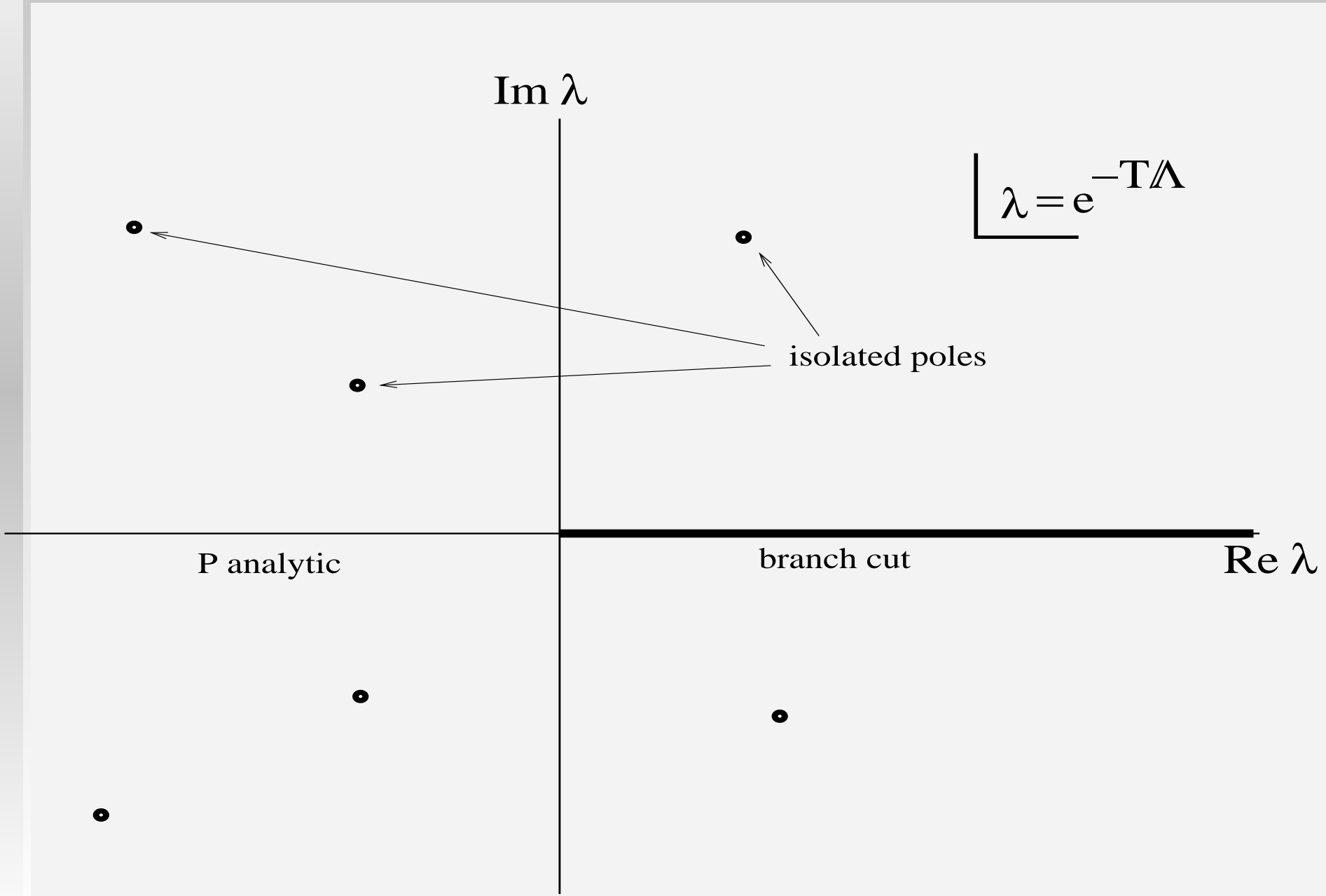
- Borel transformation and analytic continuation
 \Rightarrow **analytic** dependence on Borel parameter t
 (polylogs) for $\lambda < 0$

- inverse Borel trafo:

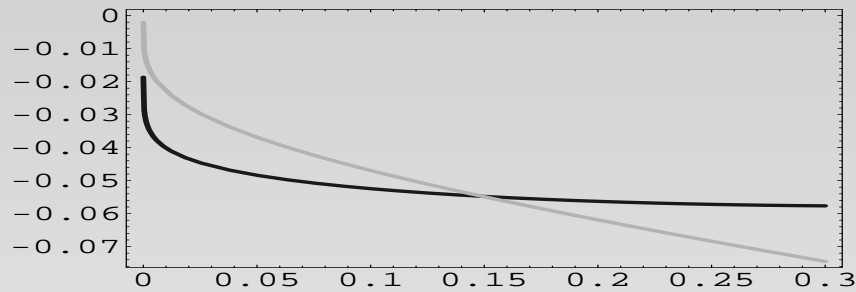
\Rightarrow analytic dependence for $\lambda < 0$ and

meromorphic in entire λ -plane except for $\lambda \geq 0$

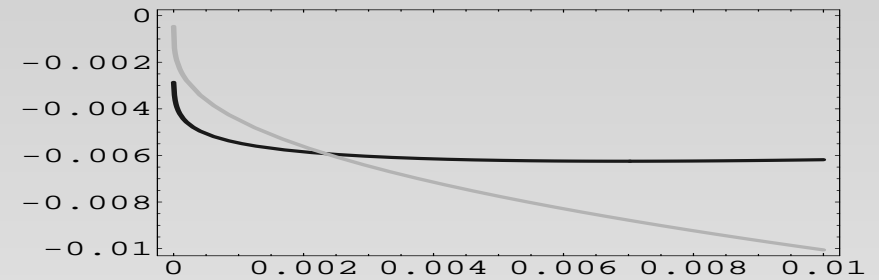
analyticity structure of physical pressure P :



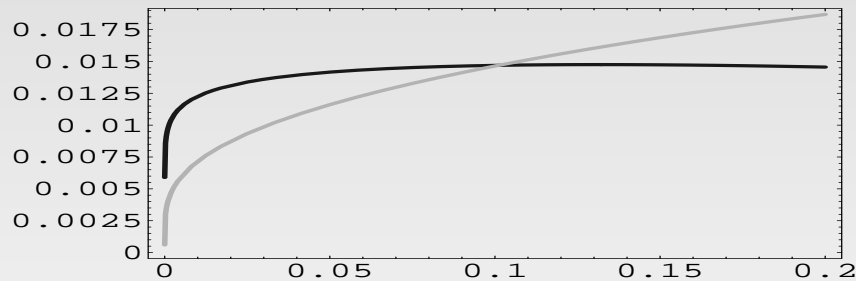
- $\text{Re } P$ continuous across cut:
- sign-ambiguous $\text{Im } P$ grows slower than $\text{Re } P$
- turbulences become relevant for sufficiently high T only



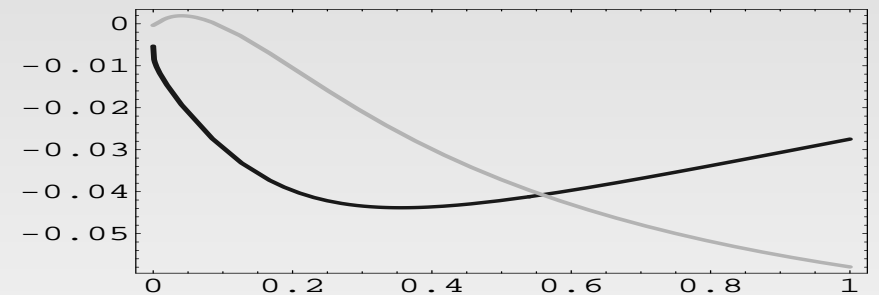
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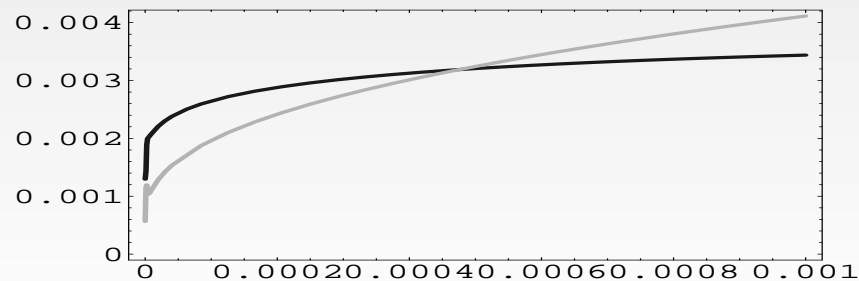
(b)



(c)



(d)



(e)

summary and conclusions

► deconf. phase:

- magnetic-magnetic correlations in (anti)calorons generate adj. Higgs field
- rapid saturation of average
- negative ground-state pressure by microscopic holonomy shifts (annihilating M-A pairs)
- thermal quasiparticles on tree level (adj. Higgs mech.)
- very small radiative corrections, termination of expansion in terms of irreducible loops

► **preconf. phase:**

- averaged magnetic flux of M-A pair through S_2^∞ generates phase of complex scalar
- dual gauge field Meissner massive
- loop expansion trivial

► **conf. phase:**

- averaged center flux of CVL pair through min. surface spanned by S_1^∞ generates discrete values of phase of complex scalar; modulus=condensate
- excitations are single or selfintersecting CVL's of factorially growing multiplicity
- asymptotic-series representation of pressure
- Borel summability for complex values of T
- analytic continuation: rapidly (slowly) rising modulus of real (imaginary) part
- interpretation: growing relevance of turbulences with increasing T

► physics applications:

- CMB
- late-time cosmology (axion + $SU(2)$)
- electroweak symmetry breaking

Thank you.