

# Lattice calculation of medium effects at short and long distances.

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Naive perturbation theory breaks down at  $T \neq 0$ .

Different length scales are generated at  $T \neq 0$ . For gauge theories  $g \ll 1$  for  $T \gg \Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$

$$\frac{1}{T} \ll \frac{1}{gT} \ll \frac{1}{g^2 T}$$

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Naive PT            HTL                  Non-  
                          resummed            perturbative  
                          PT                    methods

For interesting temperature range  $g \gtrsim 1$ .

For short distances  $r \ll T$  no temperature dependence (medium effects) should be observed.

Open questions:

- Up to which length (momentum) scale perturbation theory is applicable ?
- At which scale medium effects (e.g. screening) becomes important ?

- Static magnetic propagators in SU(2) gauge theory  
A. Cucchieri, F. Karsch and P.P., Phys. Lett. **497** (2001) 80
- Heavy quark potential in SU(3) gauge theory  
F. Karsch, F. Zantow and P.P
- Temporal quark and gluon propagators in quenched QCD  
F. Karsch, E. Laermann, S. Stikan, I. Wetzorke and P.P
- Conclusion and outlook

# Magnetic propagators in SU(2) gauge theory at finite temperature

- Generation of a magnetic mass of order  $g^2 T$  in non-Abelian gauge theories at  $T \neq 0$  was postulated to avoid IR divergencies in PT.  
colorgreen ( Linde )
- Self consistent resummation of PT :  
for SU(2)  $m_M = (0.28 - 0.38)g^2 T$   
(Buchmüller and Philipsen, Alexanian and Nair, Eberlein)
- Lattice calculation of the Landau gauge propagators:  
 $m_M = 0.46(3)g^2 T$  (Heller, Karsch and Rank, Karsch, Oevers, Petreczky)

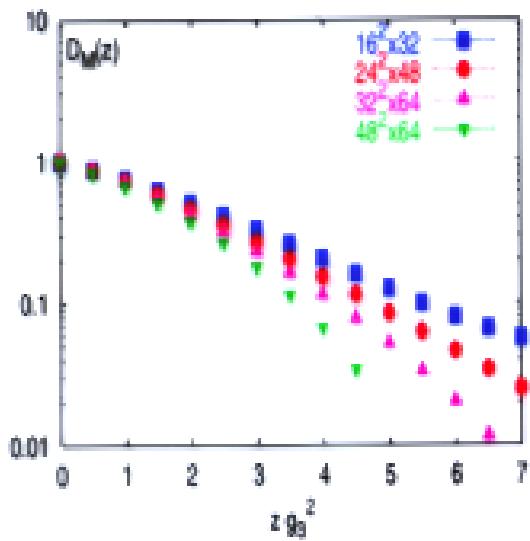
Magnetic propagators were studied in the dimensionally reduced 3d effective theory.

Dimensionfull coupling :  $g_3^2 = g^2(T)T$ .

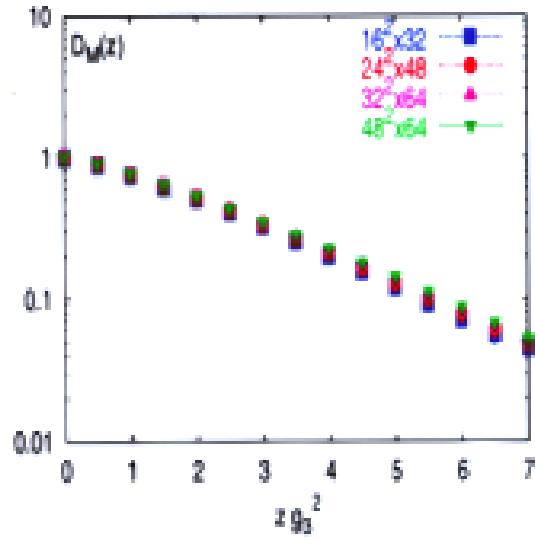
$\lambda$ -gauges :  $\partial_1 A_1 + \partial_2 A_2 + \lambda \partial_3 A_3 = 0$

$\lambda = 1$  is the Landau gauge

Maximally Abelian Gauge (MAG)



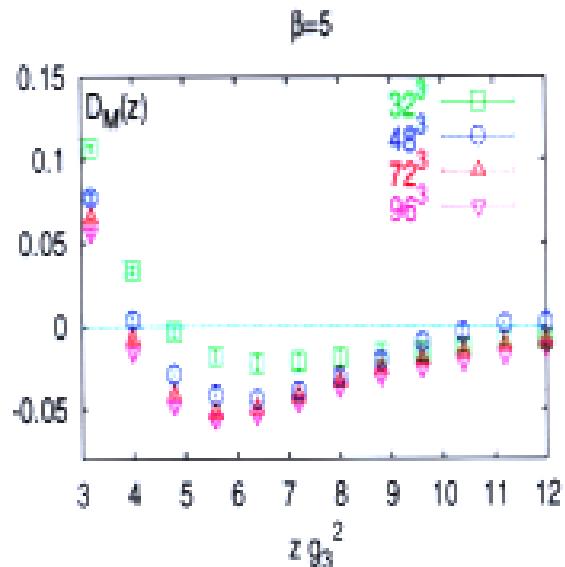
Landau



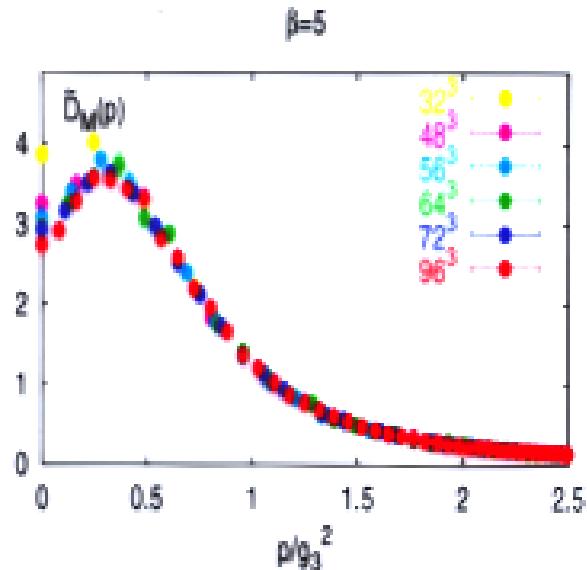
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$$\beta = 4/g_3^2 a$$

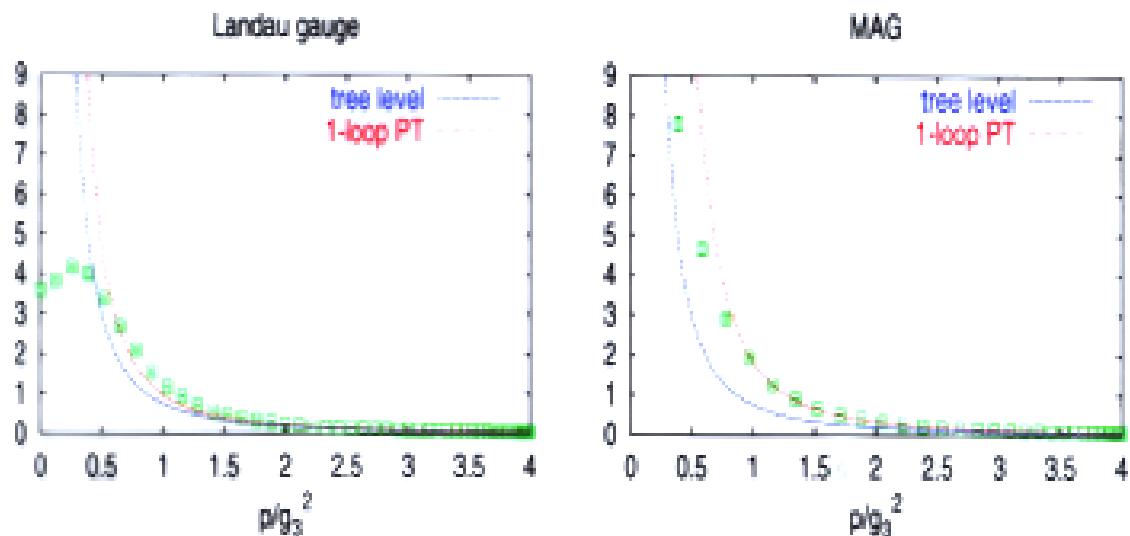
In  $\lambda$ -gauges the propagators become negative at large distances.



Momentum space magnetic propagators are infrared suppressed.



Comparison with perturbation theory



Perturbation theory works well for  $p/g_3^2 > 1$  and breaks down completely at  $p/g_3^2 \sim 0.7g_3^2$ .

# The heavy quark potential in SU(3) gauge theory

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$$V(R) = -\log \frac{\langle L(R)L^\dagger(0) \rangle}{|\langle L \rangle|^2}$$

$L(R)$  is the Polyakov loop

- Most of studies concentrate on long distance behaviour of the heavy quark-potential  $RT > 1$ . For physics of heavy quarkonia,  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$  etc. it is important to know the potential for  $RT < 1$ .
- At leading order in perturbation theory

$$\frac{V(R)}{T} = \frac{\alpha^2}{9} \frac{1}{(RT)^2}$$

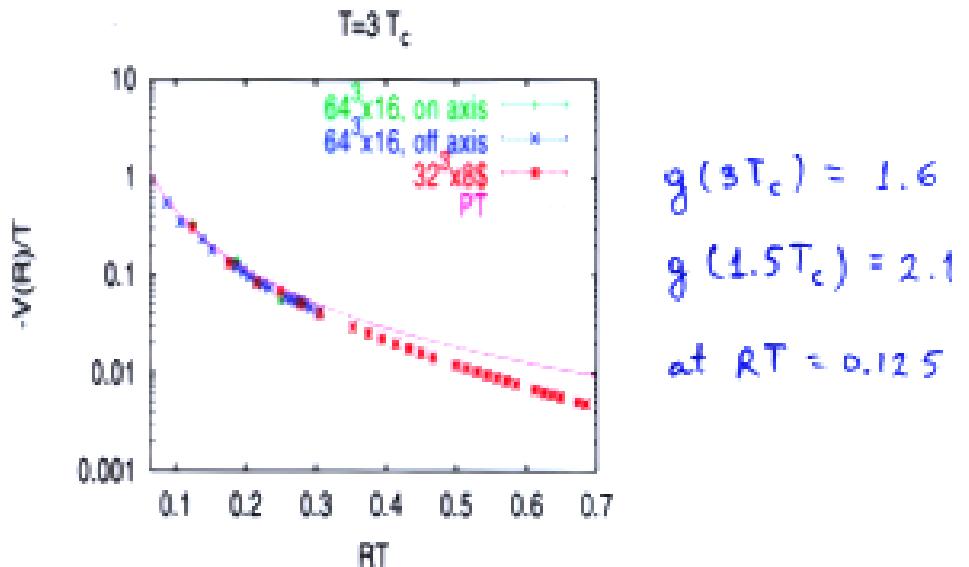
$\alpha = g^2/(4\pi)$  At large distances perturbation theory needs to be resummed leading to

$$\frac{V(R)}{T} = \frac{\alpha^2}{9} \frac{1}{(RT)^2} e^{-m_D R}, \quad RT \gg 1$$

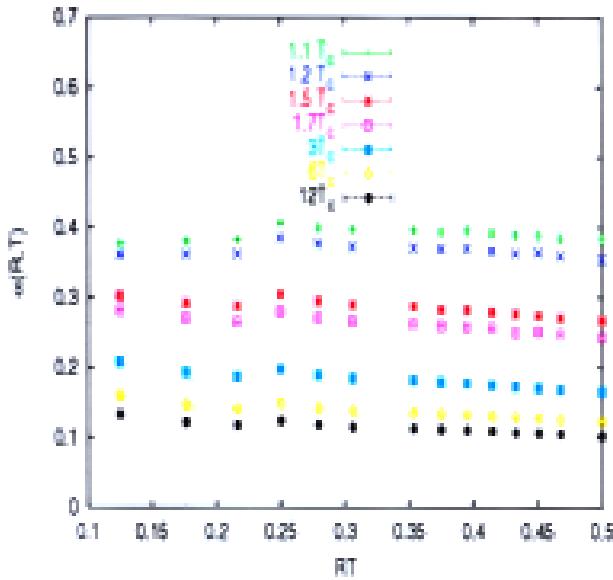
$m_D = gT \cdot 2$

- Simulation with the Wilson action on  $48^3 \times 12$  and  $64^3 \times 16$  at  $T = 1.5T_c$  and  $3T_c$ . Simulation with  $(2 \times 1)$  improved action on  $32^3 \times 8$  at  $T/T_c = 1, 1.05, 1.14, 1.23, 1.50, 1.68, 3.0, 6.0, 12.0$

- Comparison of lattice data with PT.



- The running coupling constant Define  $\alpha(R, T) = -9R^2TV(R, T)$



Temperature dependence of coupling:

$$(4\pi\alpha)^{-1} = \frac{11}{8\pi^2} \log(T/\Lambda_V) + \frac{51}{(88\pi^4)} \log(2 \log(T/\Lambda_V))$$

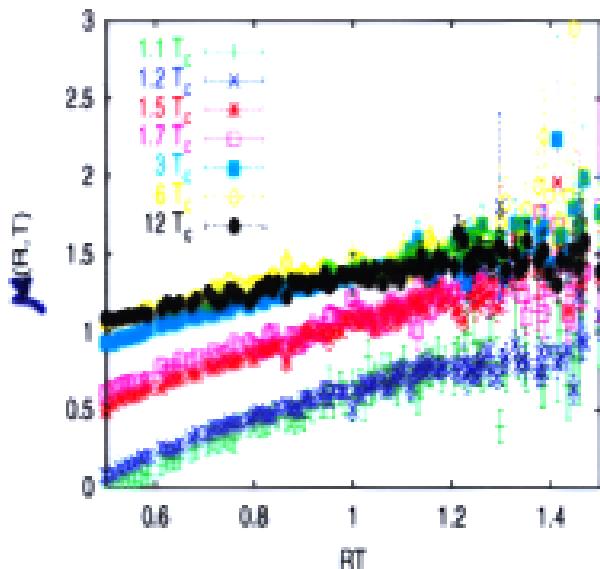
$$\Lambda_V \sim 0.4T_c$$

Expected:  $\alpha(R, T)$  is only function of  $R$  for  $RT \ll 1$

- Effective screening mass:

$$\mu(R) = -\frac{1}{R} \log\left(\frac{9R^2TV(R, T)}{\alpha^2}\right)$$

with  $\alpha$  defined at  $RT = 0.125$



The effective screening masses are smaller than the perturbative value  $2gT$ .

**Reason:** The momentum dependence of the gluon self-energy cannot be neglected for  $RT < 1.5$ .

J. C. Gale and J. Kapusta, Phys. Lett. B 198 (1987) 39

# Temporal quark and gluon propagator at finite temperature in quenched QCD

- Temporal propagators carry information about the quasiparticle in the medium.
- Simulation were done on  $64^3 \times 16$  lattice at  $\beta = 7.457$  and  $\kappa = 0.1339$  corresponding to  $T = 3T_c$  and the quark mass  $m_q \sim 30\text{MeV}$ .
- Wilson action for the gauge sector, O(a)-improved Wilson fermions
- Calculating the propagator in the mixed  $(\tau, p)$  representation one can extract the spectral function  $\rho(\omega)$  with the help of the **Maximal Entropy Method (MEM)**

$$G(\tau, p) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \rho(\omega, p) K(\tau, \omega)$$

$$K(\tau, \omega) = \frac{e^{-\omega\tau}}{1 \pm e^{-\omega\tau}}$$

- MEM works only for positive  $\rho(\omega, p) \Rightarrow$  Coulomb gauge
- The position of peaks in the spectral function  $\rho(\omega, p)$  gives the dispersion relation  $\omega_p = \omega(p)$  of quasiparticles.
- The minimal spatial momementum available on our lattice is  $p_{min} = 1.5T$ .

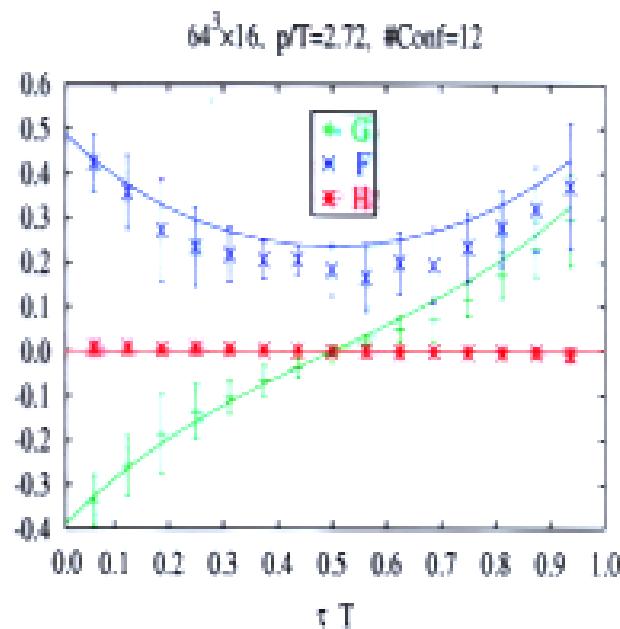
## Quark propagators

$$S(\tau, p) = \gamma_0 F(\tau, p) + \vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{p} G(\tau, p) + H(\tau, p)$$

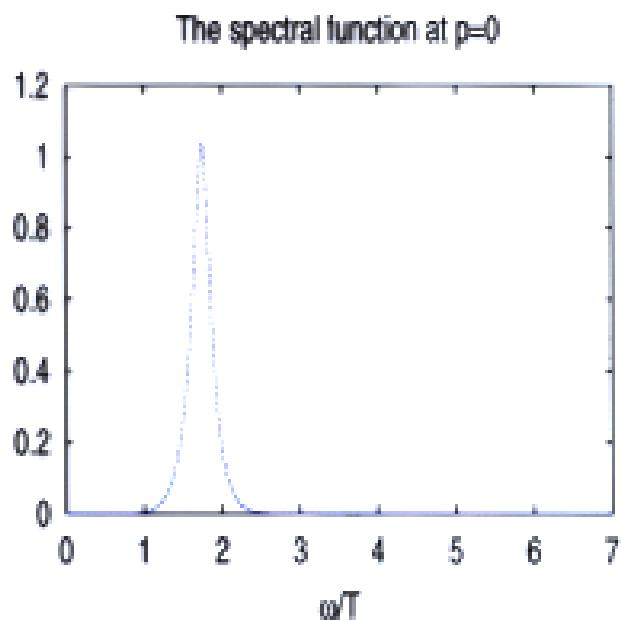
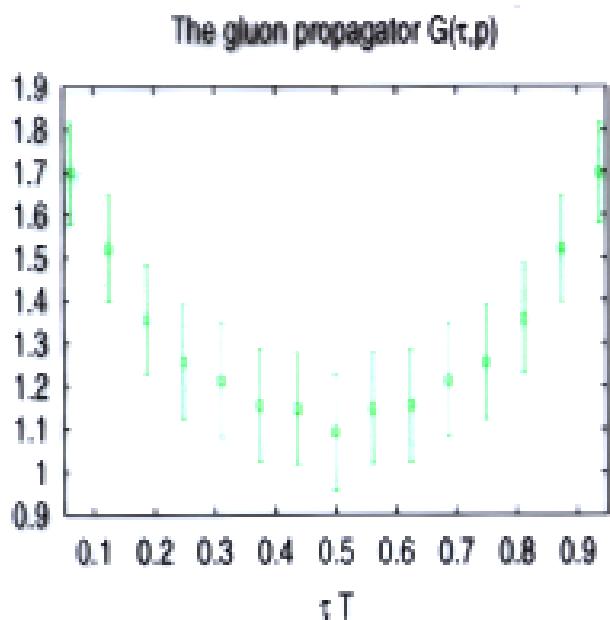
$H$  is present due to breaking of the chiral symmetry on lattice.

Analysis was done for  $p = 0$  and for  $p = 2.72T$ :

- At  $p = 0$  only  $\gamma_0 F(\tau, p)$  contributes. Results are compatible with HTL predictions.
- $p=2.72$  T



## Gluon propagators at $p = 0$



$$\omega_p \sim 1.65T$$

HTL prediction :  $\omega_p = 0.96$  using  $g = 1.65$  from the heavy quark potential.

## Conclusions and outlook

- Static magnetic propagators show quite different behaviour in different gauges. In Landau type gauges the data do not support the existence of a simple pole mass. PT breaks down at  $p/g_3 \sim 0.7$  in all gauges considered.
- The short distance behaviour of the heavy quark potential ( $RT \leq 0.4$ ) is described by the leading order formula. Its temperature dependence can be viewed as temperature dependence of the coupling constant.
- Screening effects become important at  $RT > 0.5 \Rightarrow$  0.2 fm for  $1.5 T_c$   
0.1 fm for  $3 T_c$
- Temporal quark propagator are compatible with HTL results for zero and non-zero spatial momenta
- Temporal gluon propagator at zero momenta shows considerable deviation from the HTL results.
  - More statistics for temporal correlators is needed
  - Complete 1-loop calculation of the heavy quark potential.