

# Lattice simulation of a center symmetric three-dimensional effective theory for SU(2) Yang Mills

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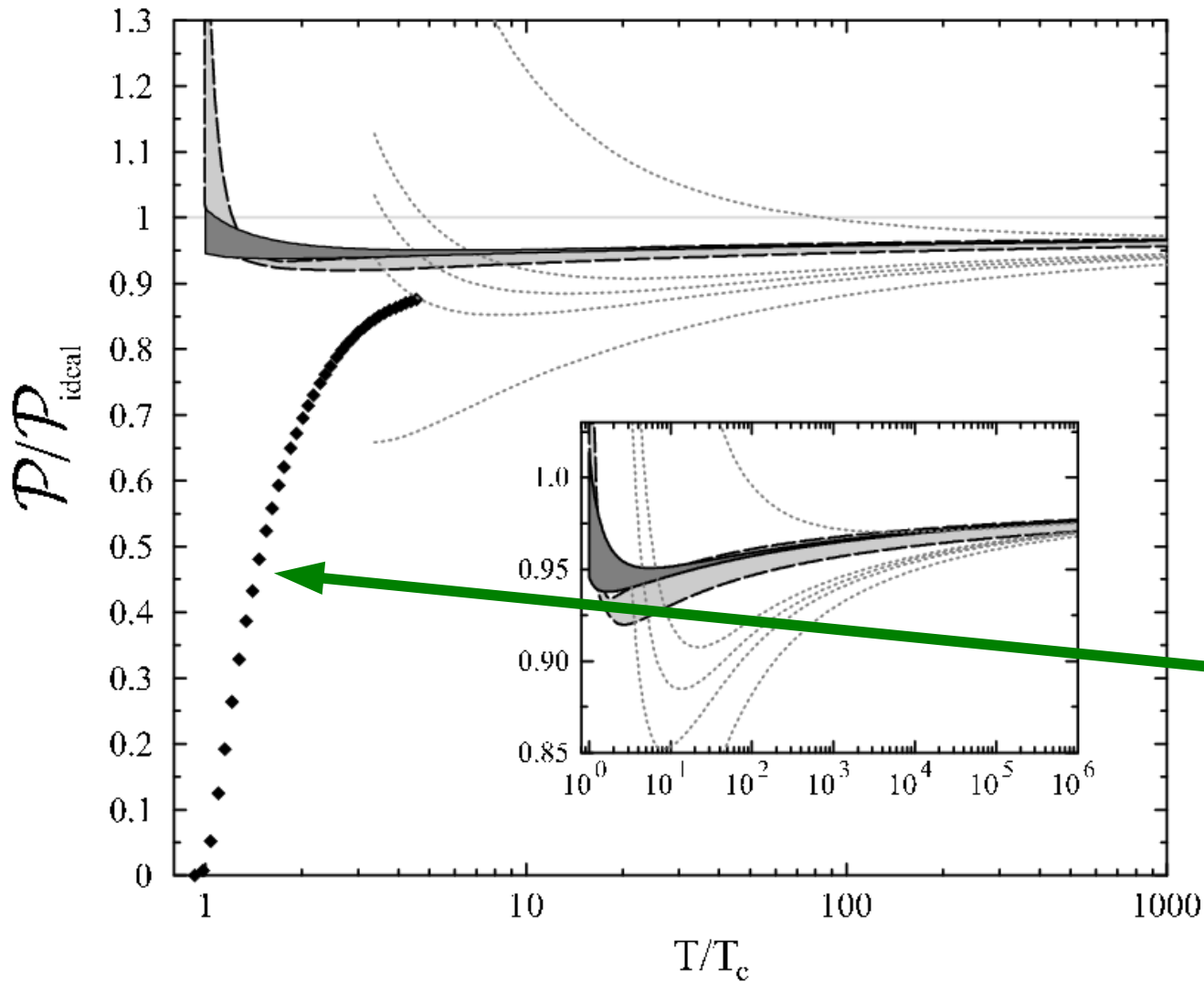
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# Introduction

- Recent results at the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) demonstrate qualitatively new behavior for Heavy Ion Collisions.
- A Quark-Gluon Plasma appears to be produced at high energies.
- Experiments and simulations suggest that a strongly coupled phase exists right above the phase transition (SQGP).
- Hard-Thermal-Loop perturbation theory and other approaches fail to give correct prediction here.



- Example: pressure.



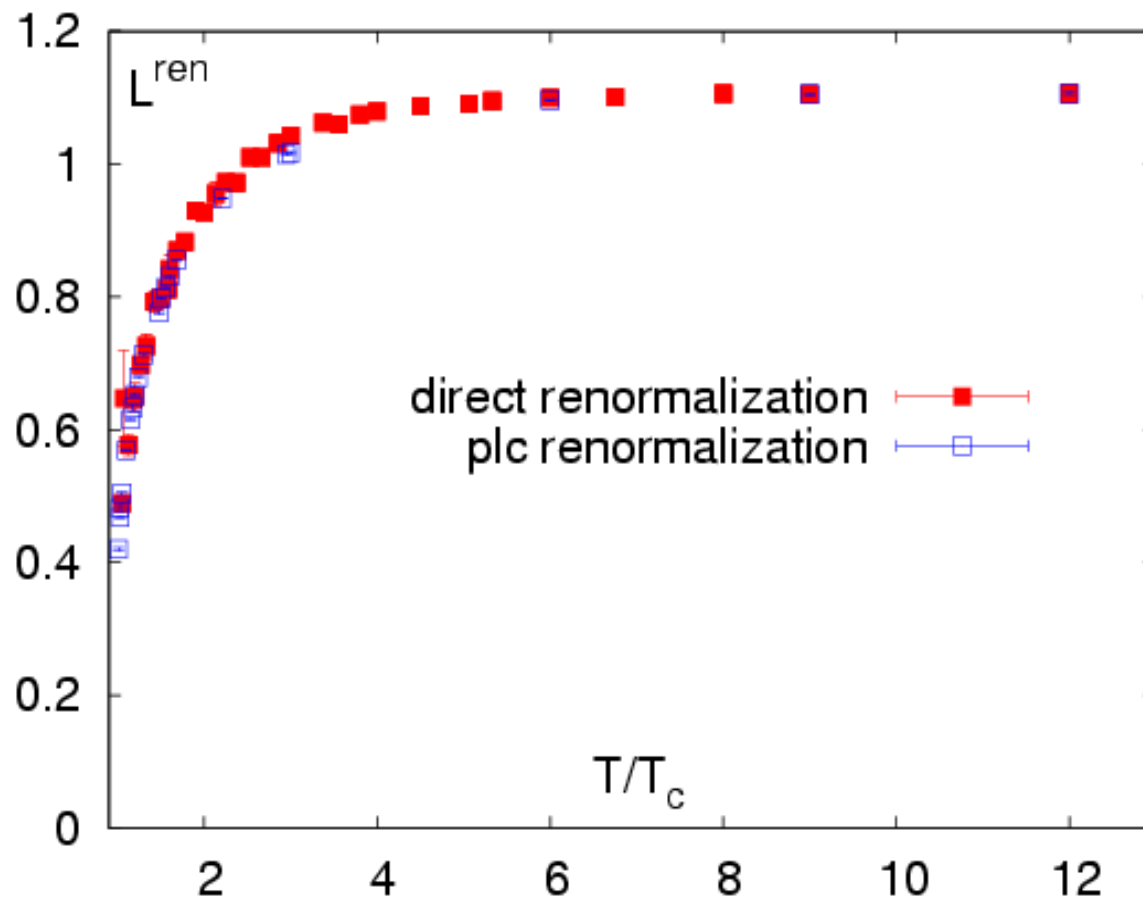
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4d SU(3) Lattice  
data

- Resummed Perturbation Theory fails below  $\sim 4T_c$  !
- WHY ?

- HTL-P.T. expands about trivial vacuum,

$$A_0/T=0 \quad \leftrightarrow \quad L(\vec{x}, \tau) = P \exp\left(ig \int_0^{1/T} A_0(\vec{x}, \tau) d\tau\right) \approx Id$$



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Hübner,  
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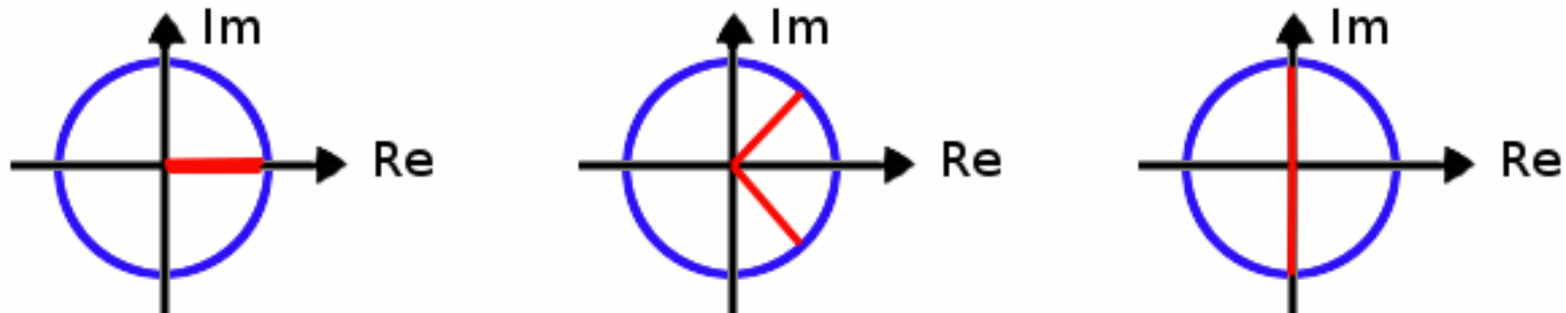
- Assumption clearly not fulfilled close above  $T_c$  !

- This choice explicitly breaks the global  $Z(N)$  center-symmetry of the euclidean action.

$$S = \int \int_0^{1/T} d^3x d\tau \mathcal{L} \quad \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{4} \text{tr} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi} (i\gamma_\mu D^\mu - m) \psi$$

local  $SU(N)$  and global  $Z(N)$  symmetry  
(without quarks) !

- Need different vacuum: “repulsion of eigenvalues” of  $L$  near  $T_c$  ?



example  $SU(2)$

# Effective theory

- Consider a 4D field theory in euclidean space.

$$\phi(\vec{X}, \tau) = \sqrt{1/T} \sum_n \int_p \phi_n(p) e^{i\vec{p}\vec{X} + i\omega_n \tau} \quad \Delta(\omega_n, \vec{p}) = \frac{1}{p^2 + \omega_n^2}$$

- Matsubara frequencies act like masses in the propagators.

- Nonstatic modes are heavy.

- Theorem: Heavy fields decouple at small coupling. Integrate out !

Appelquist,  
Carrazone,  
Phys. Rev. D11, 2856

 theory in 3D !

- Valid on length scales  $\gg 1/T$  and non-renormalizable.

- Degrees of freedom are Wilson Lines  $\rightarrow$  Respects center symmetry !

$$\mathcal{L}^{eff} = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} G_{ij}^2 + \frac{T^2}{g^2} \text{tr} |L^+ D_i L|^2 - \frac{2}{\pi^2} T^4 \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^4} |\text{tr} L^n|^2 + B_f T^2 |\text{tr} L|^2$$

- Includes perturbative potential in powers of fundamental Wilson Line to one loop order.

Gross, Pisarski,  
Yaffe,  
Rev. Mod. Phys. 53  
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- Without last term: Minimized by perturbative vacuum.

→ **Eigenvalue attraction, for any T**

$$\langle \mathbf{L} \rangle = \mathbf{1}$$

- Idea: add non-perturbative “fuzzy bag” contribution.

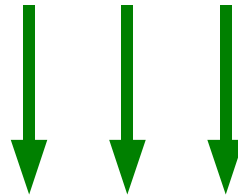
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- We study SU(2) ! Qualitatively similar but technically simpler SU(3) !

Does one see repulsion of eigenvalues of  
Wilson line in the deconfined phase  
(at non-asymptotic  $T$ ) ?

# Lattice Simulation

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$$S = \beta \sum_{Pl.} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \text{ReTr} U_{Pl.}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \beta \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \text{Tr}(L_i U_{ij} L_j^+ U_{ij}^+ + h.c.) - m^2 \sum_i |\text{Tr} L_i|^2$$

- Lattice action: Kinetic nearest neighbor interaction, mass term ( $i$  labels sites,  $\langle ij \rangle$  labels links) and standard Wilson action (sum runs over Plaquettes)
- Periodic boundary conditions
- Standard Metropolis and Overrelaxation updating algorithms.
- (Only first term of perturbative potential included.)

- Initial results were obtained by leaving out the magnetic sector !

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Smith,  
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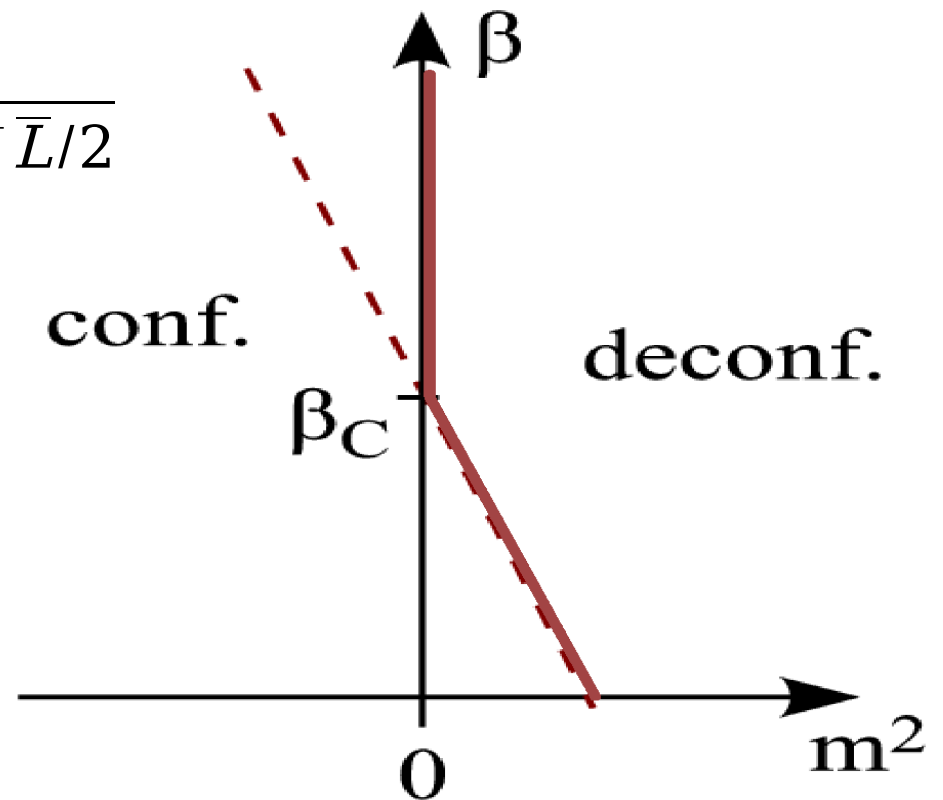
- Second order phase transitions found along both axes.

- Dashed line assumes small background field.

- Order parameters are  $u = \sqrt{\text{tr } \bar{L}^+ \bar{L} / 2}$   
and  $\langle |\frac{1}{V} \sum_i \text{tr } L_i| \rangle$  respectively.

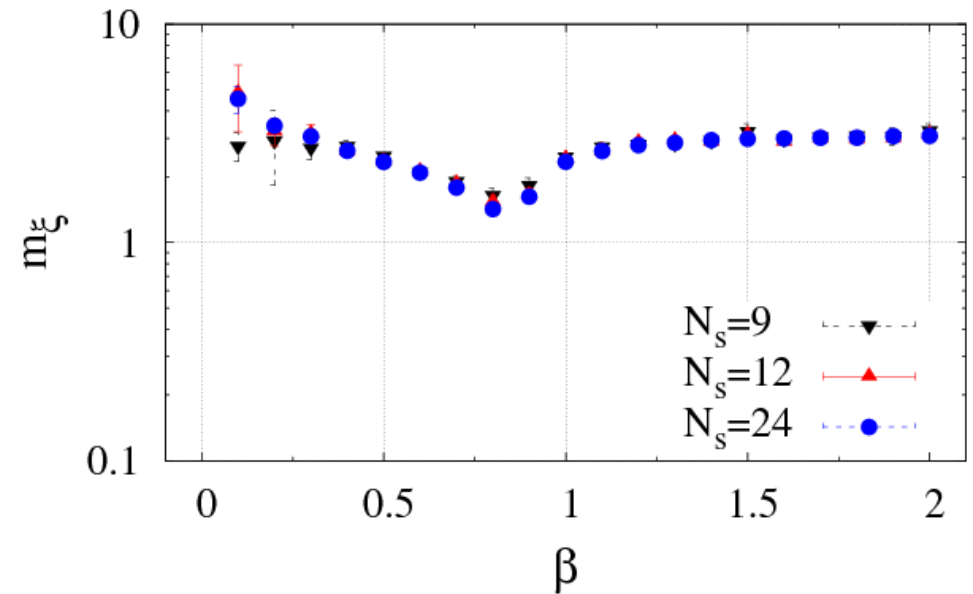
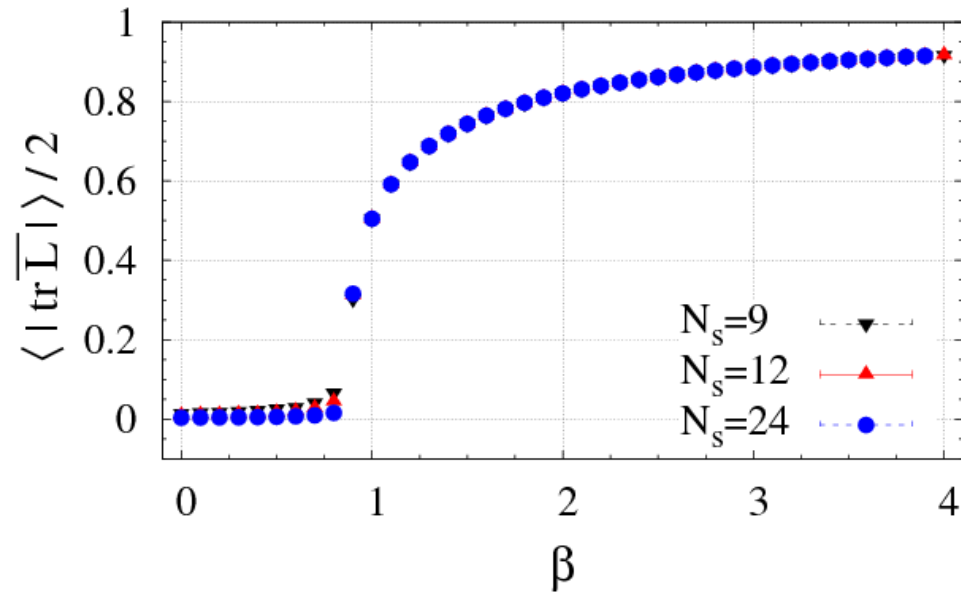
- Detailed comparison:

Smith  
arXiv:0810.1129[hep-lat]



→ full theory

- Setting  $m^2=0$  and varying  $\beta$  yields a second order phase transition.



- Polyakov loop expectation value rises from zero at  $\beta \approx 0.9$ .
- Inverse correlation length drops at phase transition point.

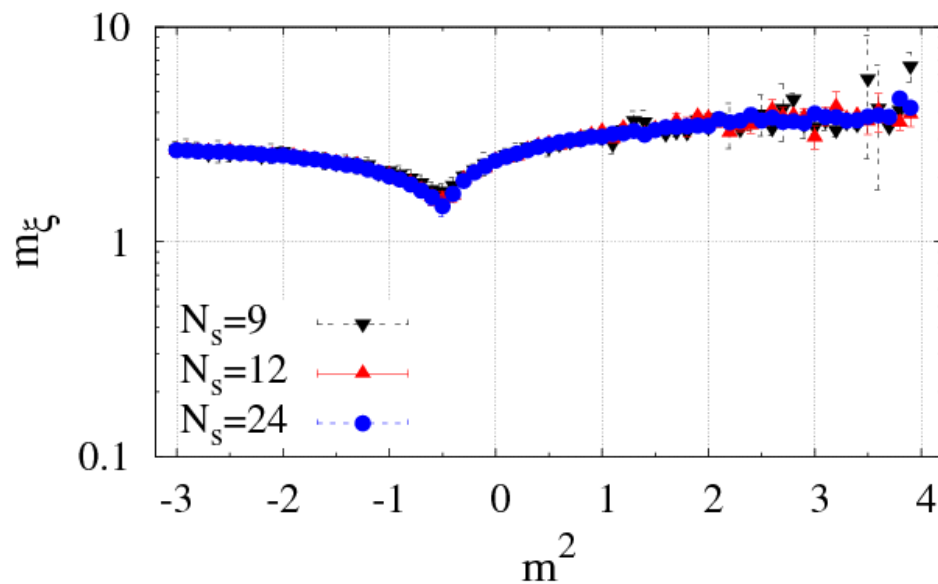
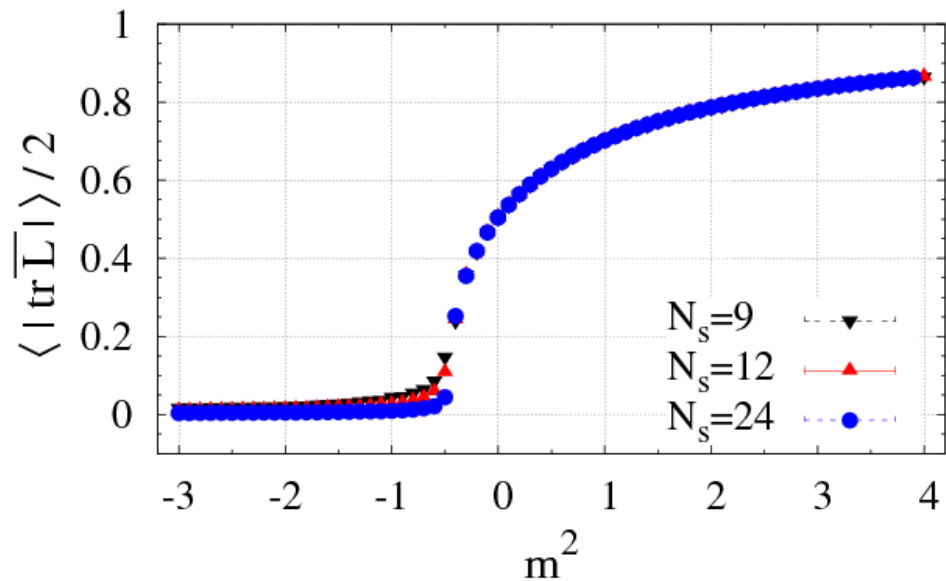
$$\Gamma(r) = \frac{1}{2} \langle \text{tr} L^+(r_0) U^+(r_0, r) \cdot L(r_0+r) U(r_0, r) \rangle$$

$$U(r_0, r) = \prod_{dr=0}^r U(r_0+dr)$$

Fit with:  $\Gamma(r) = \frac{a}{m \cdot r} \exp(-m \cdot r) + b$

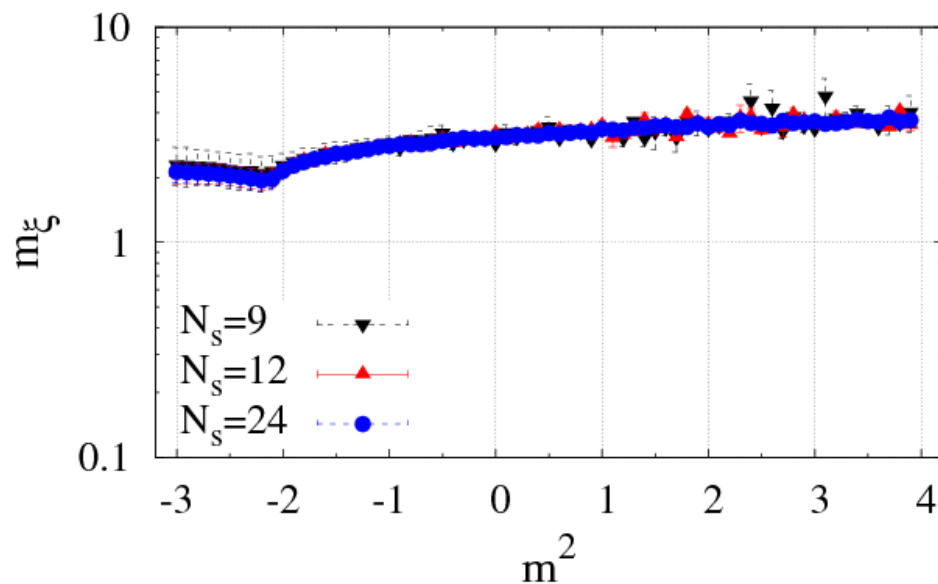
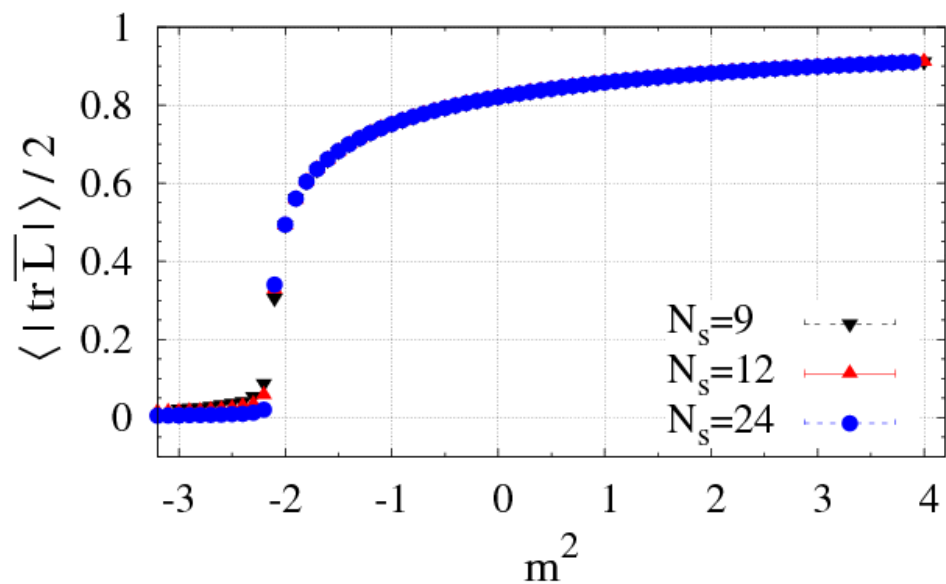
Similar results are obtained for fixed beta.

Example:  $\beta=1.0$



Raising  $\beta$  shifts transition point to the left and makes it sharper.

( $\beta=2.0$ )

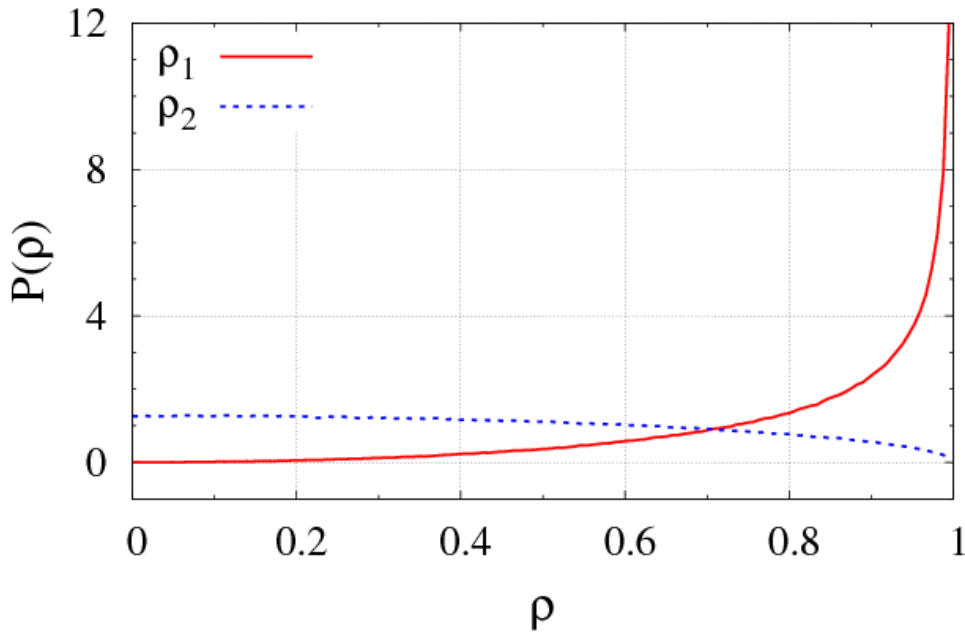


● Distribution of eigenvalues:

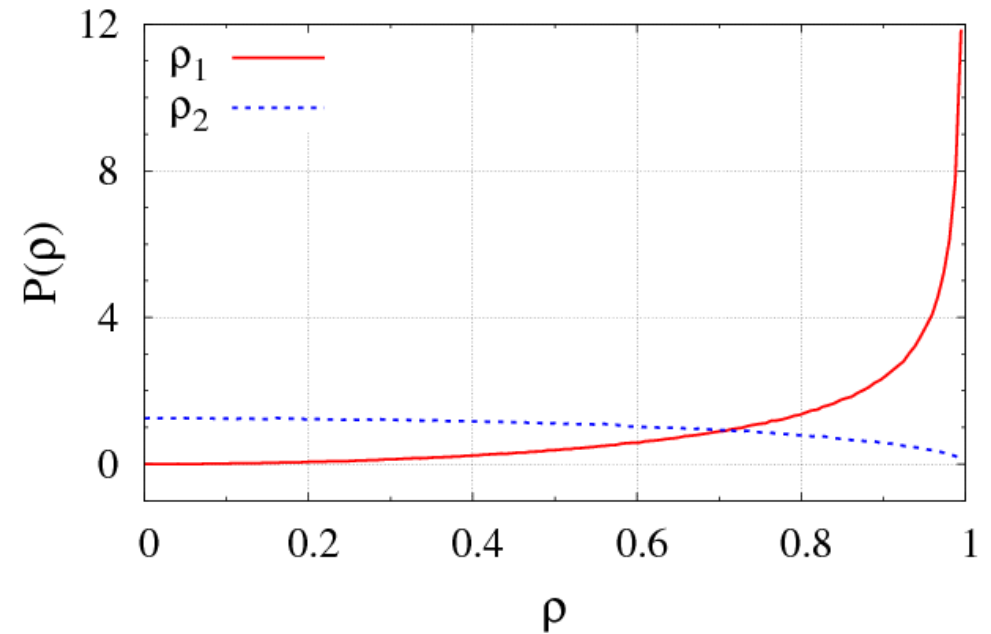
$$\rho_1 = \frac{1}{2} |\lambda_1 - \lambda_2| \quad \rho_2 = \frac{1}{2} |\lambda_1 + \lambda_2|$$

● Consider only kinetic term !  $(m^2 = 0)$

$\beta = 0.1$



$\beta = 0.7$

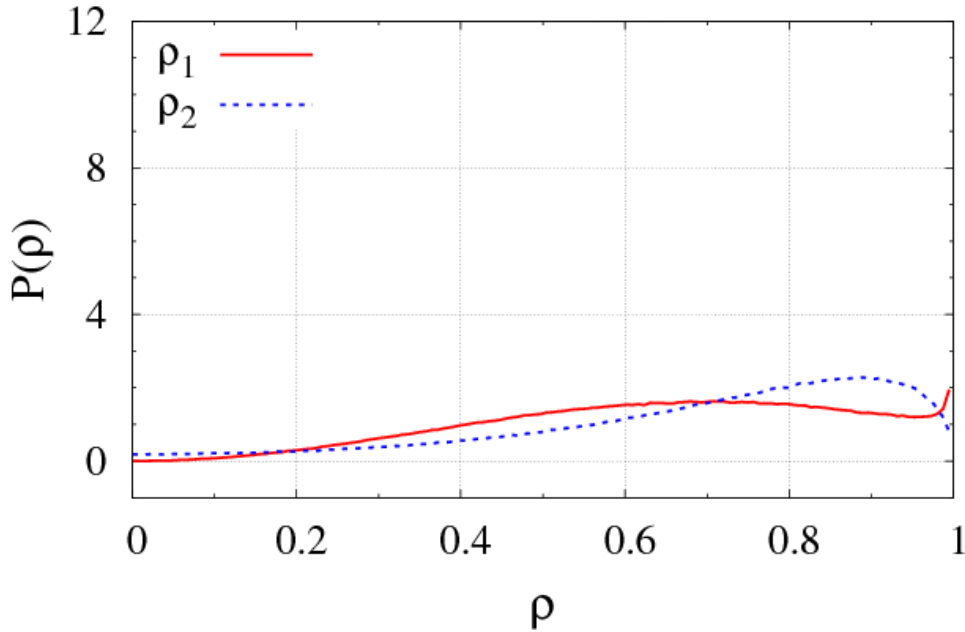


● Flat up to a divergence from group measure !

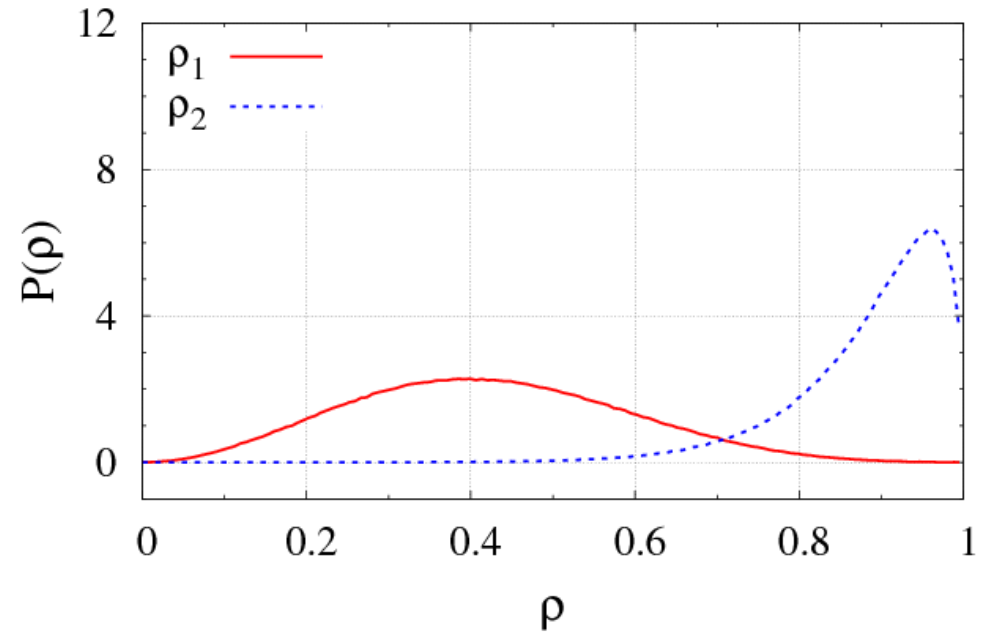
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$\beta = 1.3$



$\beta = 3.0$

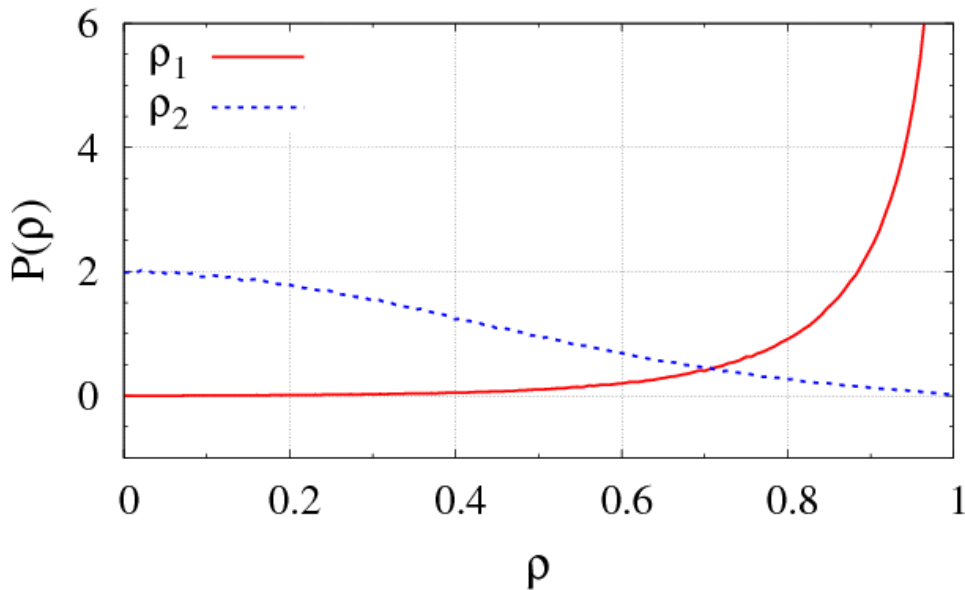


● Raising  $\beta$  forces alignment with unit matrix.

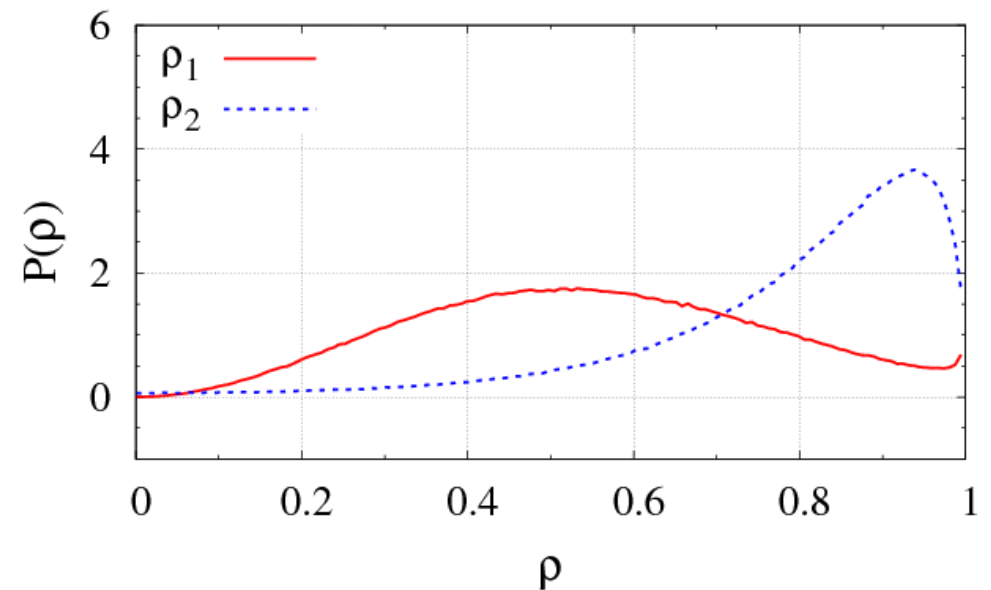
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$\beta = 1.0$  ;  $m^2 = -2.0$

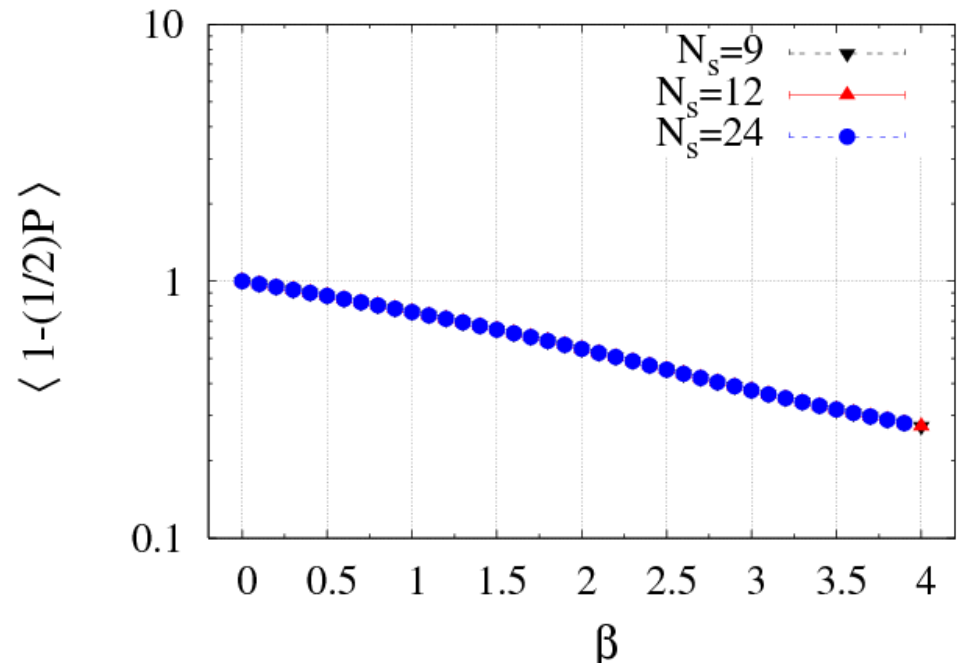
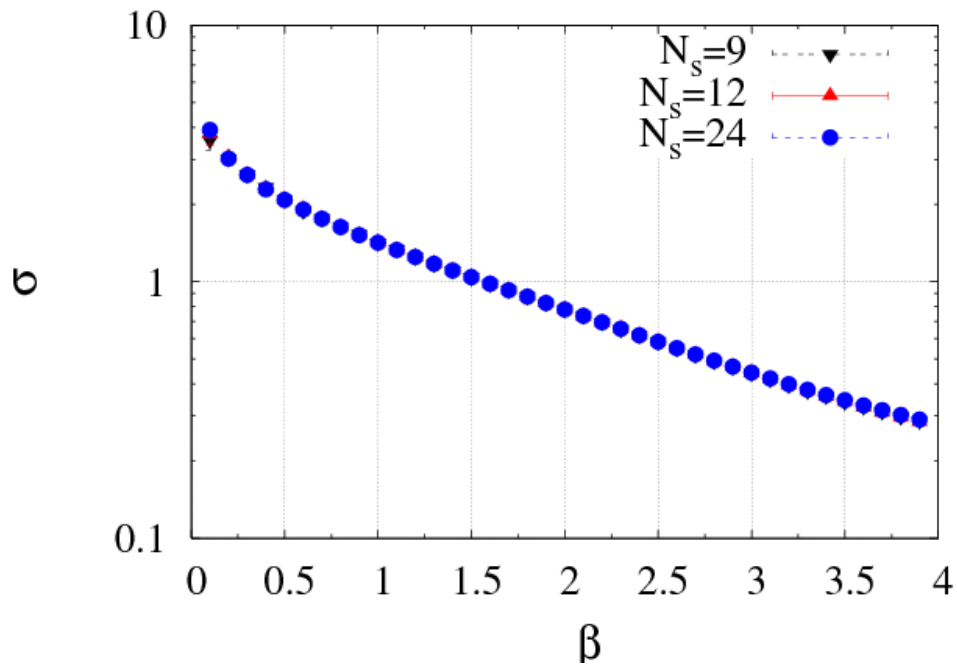


$\beta = 1.0$  ;  $m^2 = 2.0$



- A positive mass term pushes the system further into the perturbative vacuum.
- A negative mass term generates repulsion of eigenvalues.

Expectation value of Wilson action and spatial string tension.

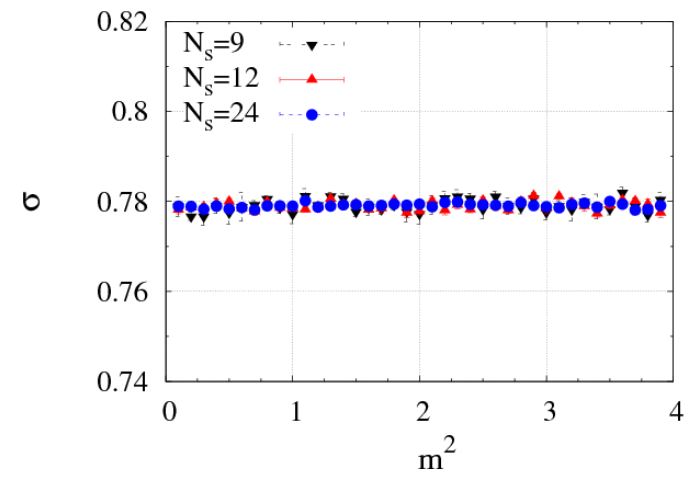


For string tension: Measure rectangular Wilson loops  $W(I, J)$ .

Obeys area law:  $W(I, J) \propto \exp(-\sigma A)$ ,  $A = I * J$

Independent of  $m^2$ :

( $\beta = 2.0$ )

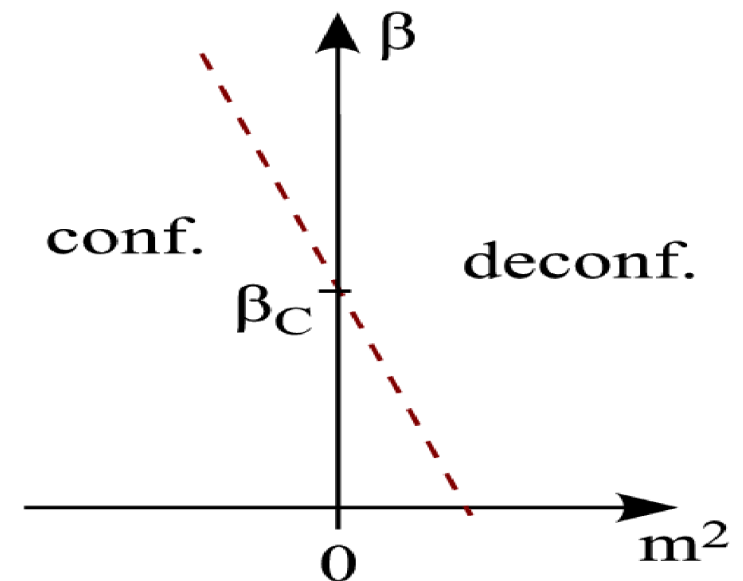


# Summary and Outlook

- We performed Monte Carlo simulations of an effective theory of SU(2) Wilson Lines in three dimensions.
- We found a deconfining phase transition of second order.
- We observed eigenvalue repulsion in deconfined phase of 3d effective theory at  $\beta > \beta_c$  (corresponding to moderately weak coupling in 4d theory) and at negative  $m^2$ . Disappears in extreme  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$  limit.
- Non-trivial Z(N)-symmetric confined vacuum emerges at  $\beta > \beta_c$ :  
 $\mathbf{L}_c \sim \text{diag}(1, z, z^2, \dots, z^{N-1}), \quad z = \exp(2\pi i/N)$   
(while  $\mathbf{L}_c \sim 0$  at small  $\beta$ )

## Future:

- Match couplings to real physical values.
- Extend to SU(3).



# Thanks for coming !!!

This work was in part based on the MILC collaboration's public lattice gauge theory code.

See <http://physics.utah.edu/~detar/milc.html>

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