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Deconfinement transition in $SU(N)$ theories from perturbation theory

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$SU(2)$ pure-gluon Lagrangian density with background field reads:

$$\mathcal{L}_G = -\frac{1}{4}G^{\mu\nu,a}G_{\mu\nu}^a, \quad (1)$$

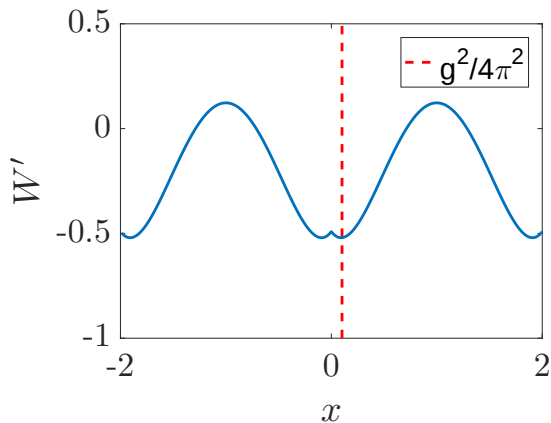
$$G_{\mu\nu}^a(x) = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + f^{abc}A_\mu^b A_\nu^c, \quad (2)$$

divide the field into two parts:

$$A_\mu^a = \bar{A}_\mu^a + a_\mu^a, A_0^3 = \bar{A}_0, \quad (3)$$

$$x = \frac{g\bar{A}_0}{\pi T}$$

$$W' = \pi^2 T^4 \left[-\frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{12}x^2(x-2)^2 + \frac{g^2}{24\pi^2} \left(1 + 2x(x-2) + \frac{3}{4}x^2(x-2)^2 \right) \right], \quad (4)$$



$$\begin{aligned}\langle L \rangle &= \frac{1}{N_c} \text{tr} \left(\exp \left[ig \int_0^{1/T} \bar{A}_0 d\tau \right] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} \exp \left[ig \frac{\bar{A}_0}{2T} \right] & 0 \\ 0 & \exp \left[-ig \frac{\bar{A}_0}{2T} \right] \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)\end{aligned}$$

$$= \cos \left(\frac{g \bar{A}_0}{2T} \right) = \cos \left(\frac{\pi x}{2} \right),$$

$$x_{\min} = g^2/4\pi^2. \quad (6)$$

- $\langle L \rangle = \text{const.}?$

massive gauge field

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{\mu\nu,a} + \frac{m^2}{2} a_\mu a^\mu + \bar{D}_\mu \bar{c} D^\mu c + i h \bar{D}_\mu a^\mu, \quad (7)$$

charge $\eta = + - 0$,

$$S_{a,h} = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \left[\frac{1}{2} a_\mu (\Delta^{-1}) a^\mu + i h \bar{D}_\mu a^\mu \right] \quad (8)$$

Redefine a new field $\mathcal{A}_\mu = \tilde{A}_\mu + i \frac{\bar{D}_\mu}{\bar{D}(m)} h_a$

$$S_{a,h} = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{2} \left[\mathcal{A}_\mu \Delta^{-1} \mathcal{A}^\mu + h \frac{\bar{D}_\mu D^\mu}{\Delta^{-1}} h \right], \quad (9)$$

$$\frac{1}{\beta V} \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \ln \Delta_{ah}^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} (3f_m(\eta x) + f_0(\eta)), \quad (10)$$

massive gauge field

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LDW gauge, as a background field generalization of the Landau gauge, has a core gauge condition given by

$$\bar{D}_\mu a_\mu^a = 0 \quad (12)$$

if a local $SU(N)$ transformation is applied to the background field as

$$\bar{A}_\mu^U = U \bar{A}_\mu U^{-1} + \frac{i}{g} U \partial_\mu U^{-1}$$

at the same time, the transformation $\varphi \rightarrow U \varphi U^{-1}$ is imposed on the fluctuation field, ghost fields, and Nakanishi-Lautrup field $\varphi = (a, c, \bar{c}, h)$, then the action $S_{\bar{A}}$ satisfies the symmetry

$$S_{\bar{A}}[\varphi] = S_{\bar{A}^U}[U \varphi U^{-1}]$$

The one-loop background field potential can be written as

$$V^{(1)}(T, r) = \frac{3}{2}\mathcal{F}_m(T, r) - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{F}_0(T, r). \quad (13)$$

$$V_{T \gg m}^{(1)}(T, r) \approx \mathcal{F}_0(T, r). \quad (14)$$

The massive gluon contribution can be ignored. $r_{min} = 0$

$$V_{T \ll m}^{(1)}(T, r) \approx -\frac{1}{2}\mathcal{F}_0(T, r). \quad (15)$$

The massive gluon contribution is exponentially suppressed, massless modes dominate, with the minimum located at $r = \pi$.

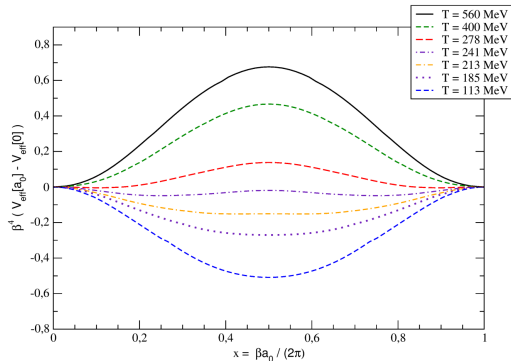


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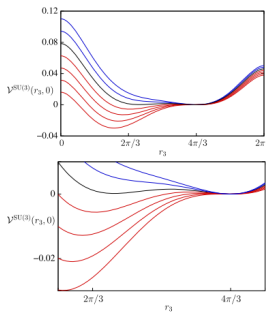
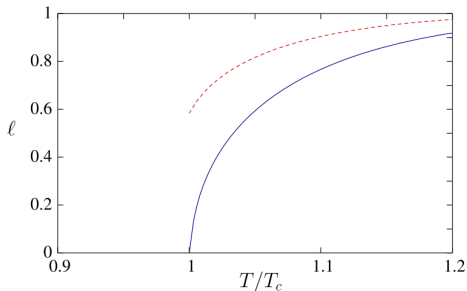


Fig. 2. The $SU(3)$ background field potential in the $r_3 = 0$ direction in $d = 4$, for decreasing values of $\bar{m}$ (increasing temperatures) from top to bottom. The bottom figure is a close-up view around T_c . (Color online: $T = T_c$ (black), $T < T_c$ (blue), $T > T_c$ (red)).

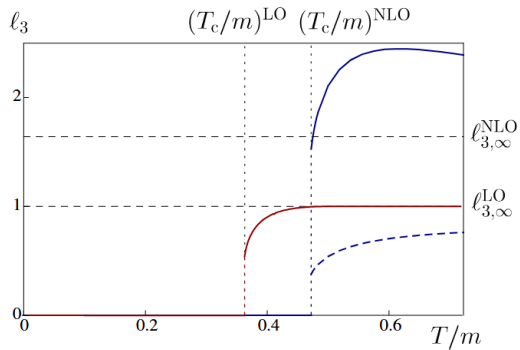
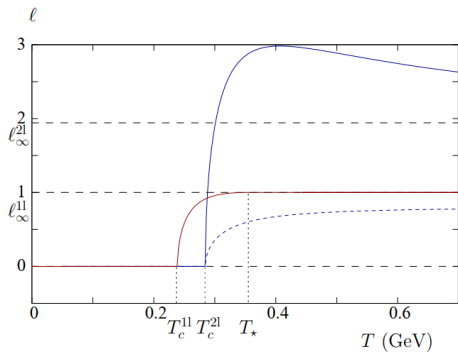
$$\langle L \rangle = \frac{1}{3} \left[e^{-i \frac{r_8}{\sqrt{3}}} + 2e^{i \frac{r_8}{2\sqrt{3}}} \cos(r_3/2) \right] =$$

$$\ell = \frac{1+2 \cos(r_3/2)}{3}$$

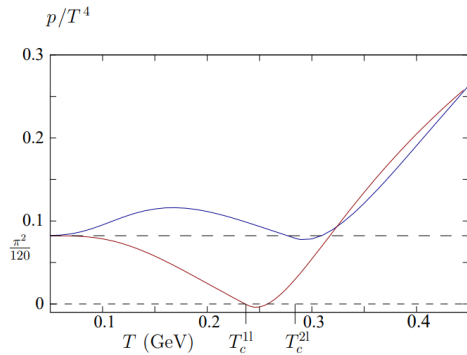
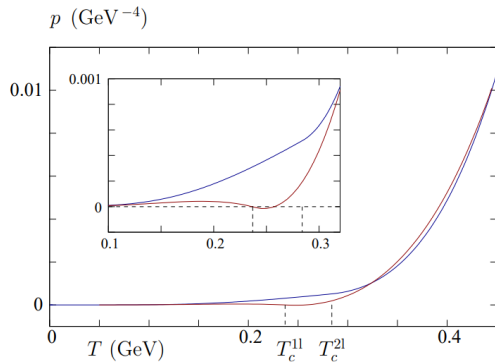


- **SU(2) (solid line):** the Polyakov loop increases continuously from a value "close to zero" at low temperatures to a non-zero value .
- **SU(3) (dashed line):** Polyakov loop exhibits a "jump" from a value "close to zero" at low temperatures directly to a non-zero value of approximately 0.6..

Fig. 3. The Polyakov loop as a function of the temperature normalized to the transition temperature for $N = 2$ (solid line) and $N = 3$ (dashed line). (Color online.)



left $SU(2)$ right $SU(3)$



$$s = \frac{\partial P}{\partial T}$$

T_c (MeV)	one loop	two loop	lattice	FRG/DSE
SU(2)	238	284	295	230 (300)
SU(3)	185	254	270	275

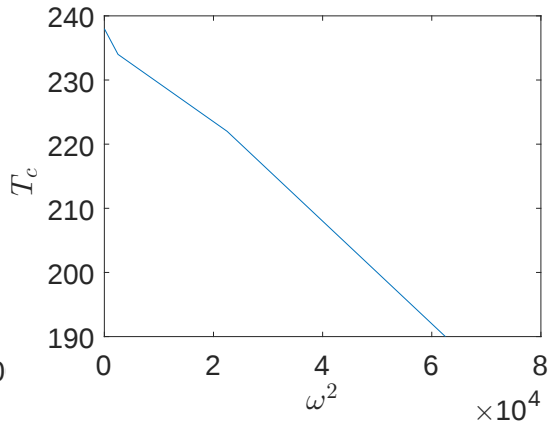
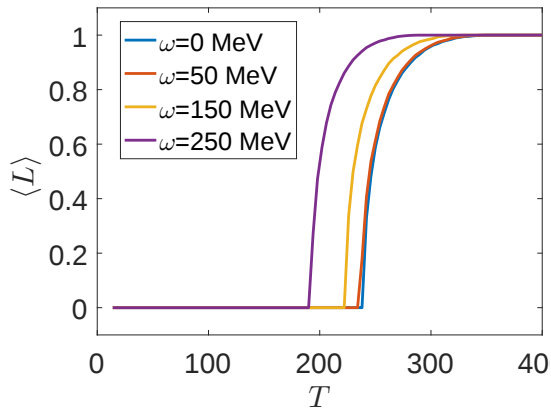
- The one-loop calculation can capture the main features of the deconfinement phase transition.
- The two-loop calculation gives better results in three ways: the critical temperature matches lattice QCD data more closely, it removes an unphysical problem with the Polyakov loop, and it corrects the issue of negative entropy.
- This approach is easy to use in calculations and can be systematically improved to higher orders.

$$\Omega = \sum_{\eta} \Omega^{\{\eta\}}(\eta x) = \sum_{\eta} \left[\frac{3}{2} f_m(\eta x) - \frac{1}{2} f_0(\eta x) \right], \quad (16)$$

$$k_t r \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Omega^{(1)} = \sum_{\eta} \Omega^{\{\eta\}}(\eta x) = \sum_{\eta} \frac{1}{2} [f_{m,+\omega}(\eta x) + f_{m,-\omega}(\eta x) + f_m(\eta x) - f_0(\eta x)], \quad (17)$$

$$f_{m,-\omega}(\eta x) = \int \frac{d^3 k}{2 \times (2\pi)^3} \ln \left(1 - 2 \cos(\eta \pi x) e^{-\beta(\sqrt{k^2+m^2}-\omega)} + e^{-2\beta(\sqrt{k^2+m^2}-\omega)} \right), \quad (18)$$





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