

Spectral sums for Dirac operator and Polyakov loops

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Finite temperature gauge theories

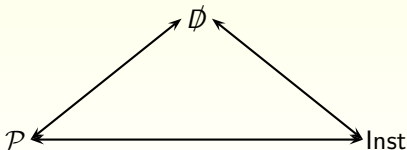
- **confinement**

order parameter: **Polyakov loop** $\langle \text{Tr} \mathcal{P} \rangle$, $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P} \exp (i \int A_0 d\tau)$
induced by topological defects (monopoles, ...)

- **chiral symmetry breaking**

order parameter: **chiral condensate** $\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle$
induced by instantons

- deconfining and chiral phase transitions at same T_c determined by low lying **eigenvalues of \not{D}** (**Banks-Casher; Gattringer**)



Interrelations:

- winding of Polyakov loops \leftrightarrow instanton number
Reinhard; Jahn, Lenz; Ford, Mitreuter, Tok, Pawlowski, AW; ...
- spectrum of \not{D} \leftrightarrow Polyakov loop
Bruckmann, Gattringer; Soldner; Synatschke, Wozar, AW; ...



- finite $T \Rightarrow$ euclidean functional integral
(anti)periodic fields on $[0, \beta] \times \mathbb{R}^3$, $\beta = 1/T$
- gauge transformation:

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(x) &\rightarrow \psi^V(x) = V(x)\psi(x) \\ A_\mu(x) &\rightarrow A_\mu^V(x) = V(x)A_\mu(x)V^{-1}(x) + iV\partial_\mu V^{-1} \\ \mathcal{P}(x) &\rightarrow \mathcal{P}^V(x) = V(x^0, \mathbf{x})\mathcal{P}(x)V^{-1}(0, \mathbf{x})\end{aligned}$$

Path ordered integral

$$\mathcal{P}(x^0, \mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left[i \int_0^{x^0} d\tau A_0(\tau, \mathbf{x}) \right] \in G$$

loop integral: $\mathcal{P}(\beta, \mathbf{x}) \equiv \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})$



- $V(x^0, \mathbf{x})$ periodic in euclidean time

$$\mathcal{P}^V(\mathbf{x}) = V(0, \mathbf{x})\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})V^{-1}(0, \mathbf{x})$$

⇒ Polyakov loops

$$P(\mathbf{x}) = \text{Tr } \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})$$

are gauge invariant!

- free energies F and $F_{q\bar{q}}$:

$$\langle P(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_\beta = e^{-\beta F(\mathbf{x})} \quad , \quad \langle P(\mathbf{x})P^\dagger(\mathbf{y}) \rangle_\beta = e^{-\beta F_{q\bar{q}}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})}$$

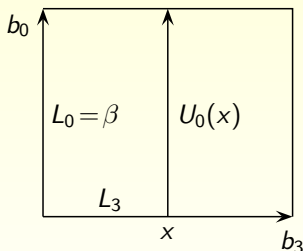
$\langle P \rangle$ order parameter for confinement:

$$\langle P \rangle = \begin{cases} 0 & T < T_c \\ \neq 0 & T > T_c \end{cases}$$



Mathematics

- euclidean spacetime $\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{T}^4 = [0, \beta] \times \mathbb{T}^3$
- only gauge invariant fields (anti)periodic:



$$\psi(x + b_\nu) = \pm \psi^{U_\nu}(x)$$
$$A_\mu(x + b_\nu) = A_\mu^{U_\nu}(x)$$

Cocycle condition (no twists):

$$U_\nu(x + b_\mu)U_\mu(x) = U_\mu(x + b_\nu)U_\nu(x)$$
$$U_\nu^V(x) = V(x + b_\nu)U_\nu(x)V^{-1}(x)$$



- bundle classified by **instanton number**

$$q = q(U_\nu) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_{\mathbb{T}^4} \text{Tr}(F \wedge F) \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}}{|\mathbb{Z}|} \right)$$

- **Periodicity properties:**

$$\mathcal{P}(x^0, \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}_i) = U_i(x^0, \mathbf{x}) \mathcal{P}(x^0, \mathbf{x}) U_i^{-1}(0, \mathbf{x})$$

(differential equation and initial condition)

exist transition functions with ([Annals Phys. 269 \(1998\) 26](#))

$$U_0 = \mathbb{1}, \quad U_i(0, \mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{1} \implies U_i(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}_0) = U_i(\mathbf{x})$$

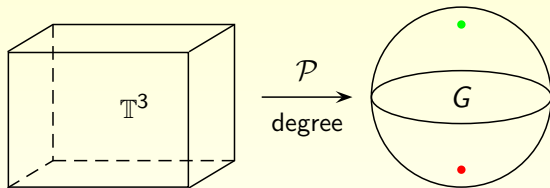
- $\implies \mathcal{P}(\beta, \mathbf{x}) \equiv \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})$ **periodic** and

$$q = \frac{1}{24\pi^2} \int_{\mathbb{T}^3} \text{Tr}(\mathcal{P}^{-1} d\mathcal{P})^3, \quad \mathbb{T}^3 = \{(0, \mathbf{x})\}.$$



proof: gauge trafo with $\mathcal{P} \implies U_0 = \mathcal{P}$ and $U_i = \mathbb{1}$, use $q = q(U_\nu)$

instanton number = degree of map $\mathcal{P} : \mathbb{T}^3 \longrightarrow G$, $\pi_3(G) = \mathbb{Z}$



localize winding number: diagonalize \mathcal{P}

$$\mathcal{P}(x) = W(x)D(x)W^{-1}(x), \quad D \text{ diagonal}$$

W and D not unique; pick unique D in conjugacy class of \mathcal{P}

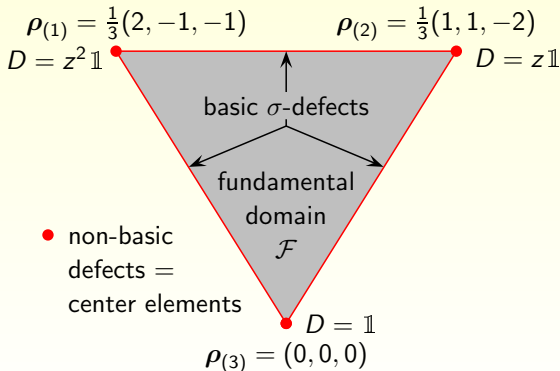


- for $SU(3)$:

$$D(\rho) = \text{diag}(e^{2\pi i \rho_1}, e^{2\pi i \rho_2}, e^{2\pi i \rho_3}), \quad \rho \in \mathcal{F}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \left\{ \rho \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \sum \rho_i = 1, \rho_1 \geq \rho_2 \geq \rho_3 \geq \rho_1 - 1 \right\}$$

- singularities at points, where \mathcal{P} has coinciding eigenvalues



- defects (monopoles, strings, sheets) localized in

$$\mathcal{D} = \{x \in \mathbb{T}^3 \mid \mathcal{C}_{D(x)} \text{ non-Abelian}\}$$

- x_0 isolated point in \mathcal{D} : Higgs-field ϕ near x_0

$$\mathcal{P}(x) = e^{i\phi(x)}\mathcal{P}(x_0), \quad \phi(x_0) = 0$$

small sphere S^2 around defect at x_0 ; consider $\phi : S^2 \rightarrow \text{Lie}(G)$

\Rightarrow winding number $w(\phi, x)$

- magnetic charge of defect: Abelian gauge field

$$A_{\text{mag}} = i(W^{-1}dW)_{\text{Cartan}}, \quad F_{\text{mag}} = dA_{\text{mag}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{magnetic charge } q_{\text{mag}}(x_0) = \int_{S^2} F_{\text{mag}}$$



- cp. 't Hooft-Polyakov monopole: for every defect

$$w(\phi, \mathbf{x}_0) = q_{\text{mag}}(\mathbf{x}_0)$$

- **general group**: rank+1 types of magnetically charged defects
winding of \mathcal{P} = number of times a given effect occurs
magnetic charge of **all defects** of type σ

$$\sum_{\sigma\text{-defects}} w(\phi, \mathbf{x}_i) = \sum_{\sigma\text{-defects}} q_{\text{mag}}(\mathbf{x}_i) = \pm q, \quad 1 \leq \sigma \leq N$$

- $q \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ there are magnetic monopoles
- magnetic monopoles sit on **Gribov horizon** for Polyakov gauge
- **simulations** \Rightarrow magnetic monopoles relevant for confinement



Spectrum of \not{D} and chiral symmetry breaking

- chiral boundary conditions or \mathbb{T}^4, S^4, \dots

$$i\not{D}_A\psi_n = \lambda_n\psi_n \implies i\not{D}_A(\gamma_5\psi_n) = -\lambda_n(\gamma_5\psi_n)$$

- massive quark propagator

$$\langle q(x)\bar{q}(y) \rangle_A = \langle x | \frac{1}{i\not{D}_A + im} | y \rangle = \sum_n \frac{\psi_n(x)\psi_n^\dagger(y)}{\lambda_n + im}$$

current quark mass m , external gauge potential A
assuming a regularization (e.g. lattice):

$$\int_V d^4x \langle \bar{q}(x)q(x) \rangle_A = \sum_{\lambda_n > 0} \frac{2im}{\lambda_n^2 + m^2}$$



- quark condensate

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle = \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{V} \left\langle \int d^4x \langle \bar{q}(x)q(x) \rangle_A \right\rangle$$

relation to **spectral density** $\rho(\lambda)$ of Dirac operator

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle = 2im \int d\lambda \frac{\langle \rho_A(\lambda) \rangle}{\lambda^2 + m^2} \quad \rho_A(\lambda) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\lambda_n > 0} \delta(\lambda - \lambda_n),$$

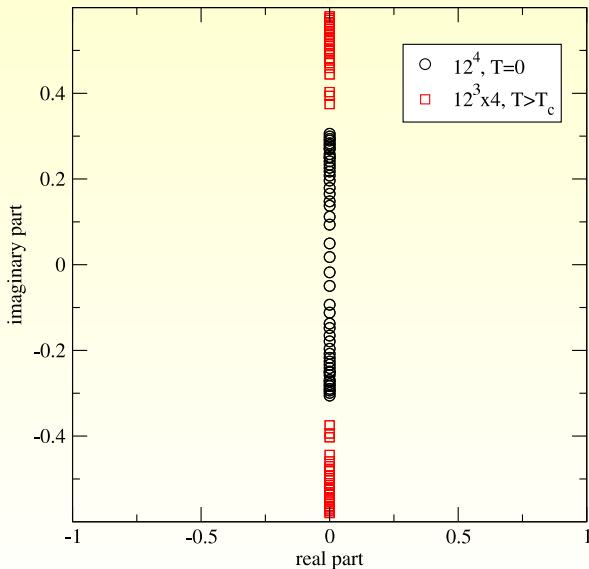
- main contribution $\lambda \leq m \ll \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$
first $V \rightarrow \infty$ then chiral limit $m \rightarrow 0$

$$\Sigma = \lim_{m \rightarrow 0} |\langle \bar{q}q \rangle| = \pi \rho(0), \quad \rho(\lambda) = \langle \rho_A(\lambda) \rangle, \quad \text{Banks-Casher}$$

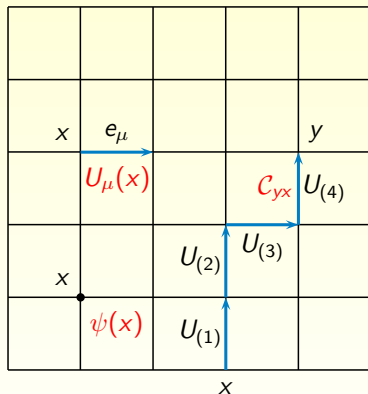
free fermions: $\rho \sim \lambda^3$, $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \sim m^3 \rightarrow 0$ in chiral limit ($\Lambda < \infty$)



SU(2), $\beta=2.5$, staggered fermions, 100 lowest eigenvalues



Lattice Formulation



matter fields on sites $x \rightarrow \psi(x)$

gauge fields on links (x, e_μ)

$(x, e_\mu) \rightarrow U_\mu(x) \in G$ (unitary)

$$U_{-\mu}(x+e_\mu)U_\mu(x) = \mathbb{1}$$

$$U_\mu(x) \approx \exp(iaA_\mu(x))$$

parallel transport along C_{yx} with

$$\mathcal{W}_{C_{yx}} = U_{(4)}U_{(3)}U_{(2)}U_{(1)}$$

gauge transformation

$$\psi(x) \rightarrow V_x\psi(x), \quad V_x \in G$$

$$U_\mu(x) \rightarrow V_{x+e_\mu}U_\mu(x)V_x^{-1}$$

$$\mathcal{W}_{C_{yx}} \rightarrow V_y\mathcal{W}_{C_{yx}}V_x^{-1}$$



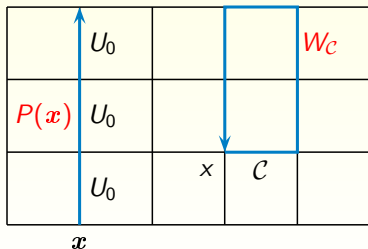
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Wilson and Polyakov loops

- finite temperature:
asymmetric $N_\tau \times N_s^3$ -lattice, $N_\tau \ll N_s$, $V = N_\tau \cdot N_s^3$
- parallel transport along loop $C_{xx} \Rightarrow$
gauge invariant **Wilson loop**

$$W_C = \text{Tr} \mathcal{W}_{C_{xx}} \implies \text{Tr} (V_x \mathcal{W}_{C_{xx}} V_x^{-1}) = W_C$$

- Polyakov loops**



loops winding around
periodic time direction

$$P_x = \text{Tr} \mathcal{P}_x$$

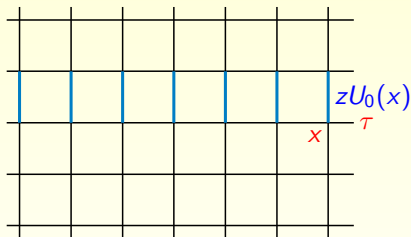
$$\mathcal{P}_x = \prod_{\tau=1}^{N_\tau} U_0(\tau, x)$$



Center transformations

multiply all $U_0(\tau, x)$ in **one time-slice** with center elements z

configuration $\{U_\mu(x)\} \longrightarrow \{zU_\mu(x)\}$ **twisted configuration**



transformation of **Wilson loops**
(C_{xx} contractable)

$$\mathcal{W}_{C_{xx}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{W}_{C_{xx}} \Rightarrow \mathcal{S}_W \text{ invariant}$$

transformation of **Polyakov loops**

$$\mathcal{P}_x \longrightarrow z\mathcal{P}_x$$

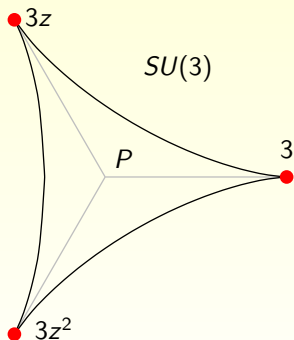
C_{xx} **winds n -times** around periodic time direction:

$$\mathcal{W}_{C_{xx}} \longrightarrow z^n \mathcal{W}_{C_{xx}}$$



probability distribution for order parameter P_x proportional to

$$e^{-S_{\text{eff}}[P]} = \int \mathcal{D}U \delta(P_x, \text{Tr} \mathcal{P}_x) e^{-S_w[U]}, \quad \mathcal{P}_x = \prod_{\tau} U_0(\tau, x)$$



center symmetry of $S_w \Rightarrow$

$$S_{\text{eff}}[P] = S_{\text{eff}}[z \cdot P]$$

high temperatures: $\langle P \rangle \neq 0 \Rightarrow$

breaking of center symmetry

low temperature: $\langle P \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow$

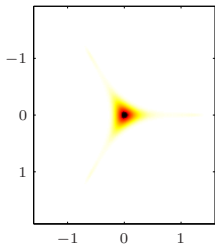
center symmetric phase

relation to Potts models:

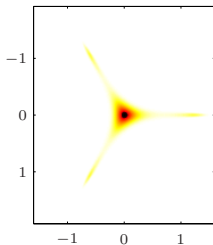
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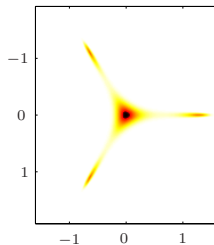
$$\lambda_{10} = -0.13958$$
$$\lambda_{21} = 0.0020833$$



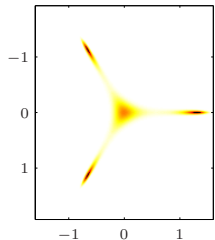
$$\lambda_{10} = -0.13971$$
$$\lambda_{21} = 0.0019583$$



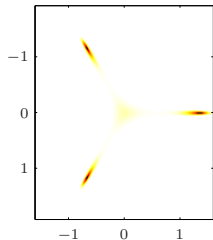
$$\lambda_{10} = -0.13983$$
$$\lambda_{21} = 0.0018333$$



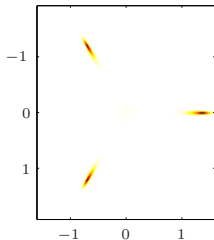
$$\lambda_{10} = -0.13996$$
$$\lambda_{21} = 0.0017083$$



$$\lambda_{10} = -0.14008$$
$$\lambda_{21} = 0.0015833$$



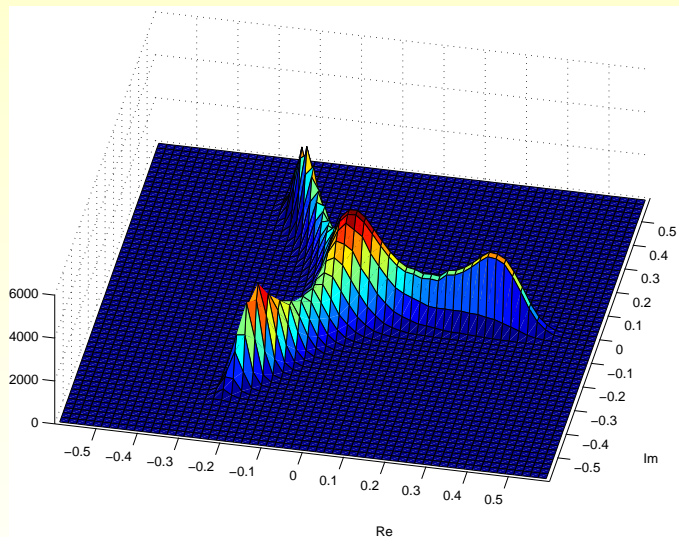
$$\lambda_{10} = -0.14021$$
$$\lambda_{21} = 0.0014583$$



Histogram of P



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histogram of P



Dirac Operator

- forward/backward covariant derivatives: $D_\mu^f = -(D_\mu^b)^\dagger$:

$$(D_\mu^b \psi)(x) = \psi(x) - U_\mu(x - e_\mu) \psi(x - e_\mu)$$

$$(D_\mu^f \psi)(x) = U_{-\mu}(x + e_\mu) \psi(x + e_\mu) - \psi(x)$$

- anti-hermitean naive Dirac operator with doublers

$$\not{D} = \frac{1}{2} \gamma^\mu (D_\mu^f + D_\mu^b), \quad \gamma_\mu = \gamma_\mu^\dagger$$

- doublers \Rightarrow add hermitean covariant Laplacian

$$D^2 = \sum_\mu D_\mu^b D_\mu^f = \sum_\mu (D_\mu^f - D_\mu^b)$$

- Wilson operator (no doublers)

$$\mathcal{D} = -\not{D} + m - \frac{1}{2} D^2, \quad \gamma_5 \mathcal{D} \gamma_5 = \mathcal{D}^\dagger$$



- number of eigenvalues = $V \times 2^{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor} \times N_c$
- characteristic polynomial $P(\lambda) = \det(\lambda \mathbb{1} - \mathcal{D})$:

$$P(\lambda) = \det \gamma_5 (\lambda \mathbb{1} - \mathcal{D}) \gamma_5 = \det(\lambda \mathbb{1} - \mathcal{D}^\dagger) = P^*(\lambda^*)$$

γ_5 -hermiticity \Rightarrow non-real eigenvalues come in pairs λ_n, λ_n^*
 same for staggered, overlap, ... fermions

- \mathcal{D} with only nearest neighbour interaction

$$\mathcal{D}_{xy} = (m + d)\delta_{xy} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu} \left((1 + \gamma^{\mu}) U_{-\mu}(y) \delta_{x, y - e_{\mu}} + (1 - \gamma^{\mu}) U_{\mu}(y) \delta_{x, y + e_{\mu}} \right)$$

- hop from site x to $x \pm e_{\mu}$: factor $-\frac{1}{2}(1 \mp \gamma^{\mu}) U_{\mu}(x)$
 staying at x : factor $(m + d)$
 \mathcal{D}^{ℓ} : chains of ℓ or less hops on lattice



Spectral Sums

- $\langle x | \mathcal{D}^\ell | x \rangle$ described by Wilson loops $\mathcal{W}_{C_{xx}}$ with $|C_{xx}| \leq \ell$
- **twisting:**

$$U \rightarrow {}^z U, \quad \mathcal{D} \rightarrow {}^z \mathcal{D}, \quad \lambda_n \rightarrow {}^z \lambda_n$$

$\ell < N_\tau \ll N_s \Rightarrow$ all loops contractable $\Rightarrow {}^z \mathcal{W}_C = \mathcal{W}_C \Rightarrow$

$$\langle x | {}^z \mathcal{D}^\ell | x \rangle = \langle x | \mathcal{D}^\ell | x \rangle \Rightarrow \sum_{\text{center}} \bar{z}_k \langle x | {}^{z_k} \mathcal{D}^\ell | x \rangle = 0, \quad \ell < N_\tau$$

assumed: non-trivial center $\Rightarrow \sum z_k = 0$.

trace \Rightarrow **constraints** on spectral sums

$$\sum_{\text{center}} \bar{z}_k \left(\sum_n {}^{z_k} \lambda_n^\ell \right) = 0, \quad \ell < N_\tau$$



- $\ell = N_\tau$: $\langle x | \mathcal{D}^{N_\tau} | x \rangle$ contains Polyakov loops, use $\sum \bar{z}_k z_k = |\mathcal{Z}| \Rightarrow$
 \Rightarrow **Gattringer formula**

$$\sum_k \bar{z}_k \langle x | z_k \mathcal{D}^{N_\tau} | x \rangle = \kappa' \mathcal{P}(x), \quad \kappa' \propto V |\mathcal{Z}|$$

$$\sum_k \bar{z}_k \text{Tr} (z_k \mathcal{D})^{N_\tau} = \kappa L, \quad L = \frac{1}{V_s} \sum_x P(x)$$

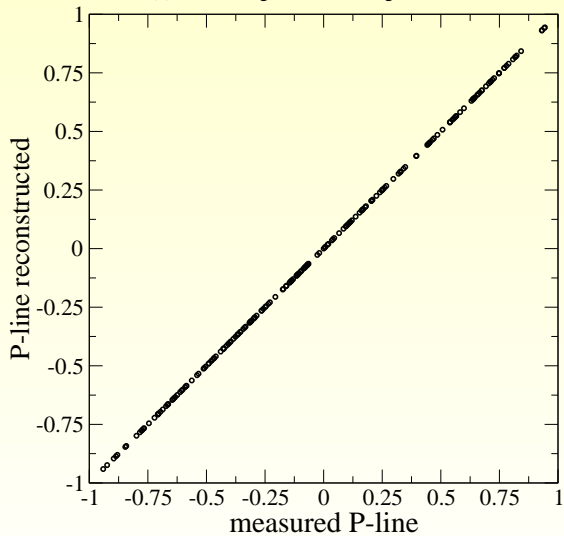
- **first** relation Polyakov loop \leftrightarrow spectral data of \mathcal{D}
- valid for all covariant lattice operators with NN interaction
- **Problem:** in continuum limit $N_\tau \rightarrow \infty$,

$$L = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \bar{z}_k \left(\sum_n z_k \lambda^{N_\tau} \right), \quad \kappa = (-1)^{N_\tau} 2^{[d/2]-1} V |\mathcal{Z}|$$

ill-defined \Rightarrow need **generalized spectral sums**



SU(2), 6^4 , 1 configuration, Gattringer reconstruction



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average change of λ_n by twisting:

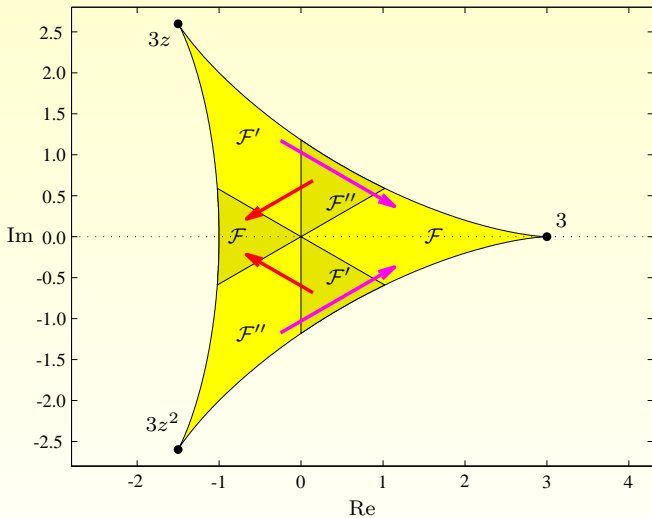
$$\Delta_n \equiv \frac{1}{3} (|\lambda_n - {}^z\lambda_n| + |{}^z\lambda_n - \bar{z}\lambda_n| + |\bar{z}\lambda_n - \lambda_n|)$$

observations:

- Δ_n big above T_c , small below T_c
 Δ_n maximal for low-lying eigenvalues
- $(\lambda_n)^{N_\tau}$: main contribution to L from large eigenvalues: consider

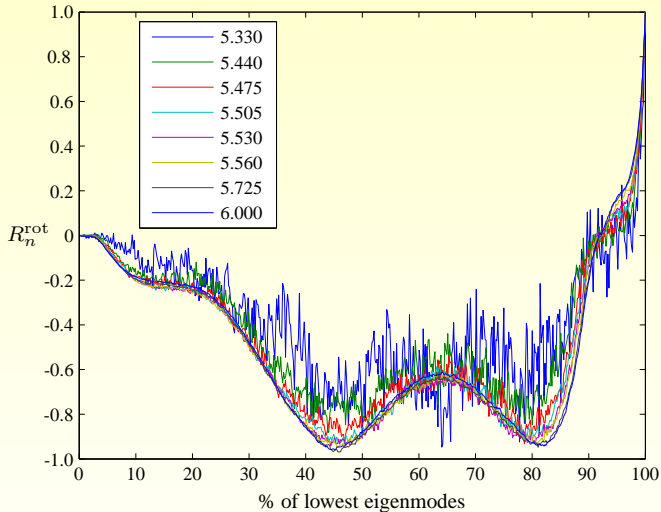
$$\Sigma_n = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \bar{z}_k \sum_{p=1}^n z_k \lambda_p^{N_\tau}$$





fundamental domain for P , definition of L^{rot} , Σ^{rot}





$$R_n^{\text{rot}} = \frac{\langle \Sigma_n^{\text{rot}} \rangle}{\langle L^{\text{rot}} \rangle}, \text{ \% of lowest eigenvalues } (\beta_c = 5.49)$$

universal behaviour for $\langle L \rangle > 0.6$, $\beta > 5.5$



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Generalized spectral sums

$$S_n(f) = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \bar{z}_k \sum_p f(z^k \lambda_p)$$

- sum over **all** eigenvalues \Rightarrow traces

$$S(f) = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \bar{z}_k \sum_{\text{all } p} f(z^k \lambda_p) = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \bar{z}_k \text{Tr} f(z^k \mathcal{D})$$

- $S(f)$ is **order parameter** for center symmetry

$$S(f) \xrightarrow{z} \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \bar{z}_k \text{Tr} f(z^k z \mathcal{D}) = \frac{z}{\kappa} \sum_k (\bar{z}_k \bar{z}) \text{Tr} f(z^k z \mathcal{D}) = z S(f)$$

$\langle S(f) \rangle \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ center symmetry broken



traces of propagators

- choose f with support in infrared

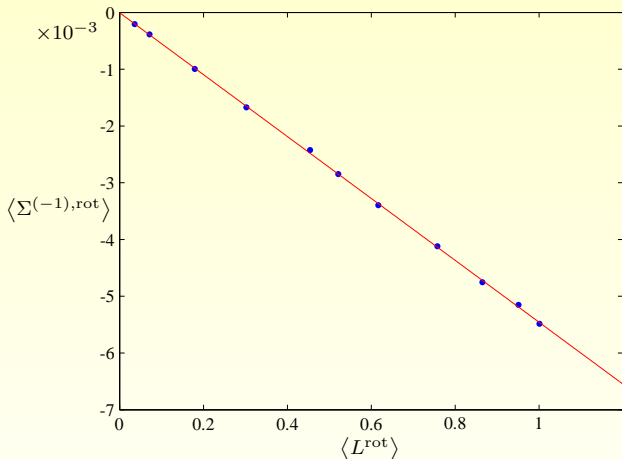
$$\Sigma^{(-1)} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \text{Tr} \left(\frac{\bar{z}_k}{z_k \mathcal{D}} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \Sigma^{(-2)} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \text{Tr} \left(\frac{\bar{z}_k}{z_k \mathcal{D}^2} \right)$$

- Σ^{-1} enters Banks-Casher relation
- hopping parameter expansion

$\mathcal{D} = (m + d)\mathbb{1} - V$: expansion in powers of V ,

$$\mathcal{D}^{-1} = \frac{1}{m + d} \sum_k \frac{1}{(m + d)^k} [(m + d)\mathbb{1} - \mathcal{D}]^k \implies$$
$$\Sigma^{(-1)} = \frac{(-1)^{N_\tau}}{(m + d)^{N_\tau + 1}} \Sigma^{(N_\tau)} + \dots \approx \frac{(-1)^{N_\tau}}{(m + d)^{N_\tau + 1}} L$$



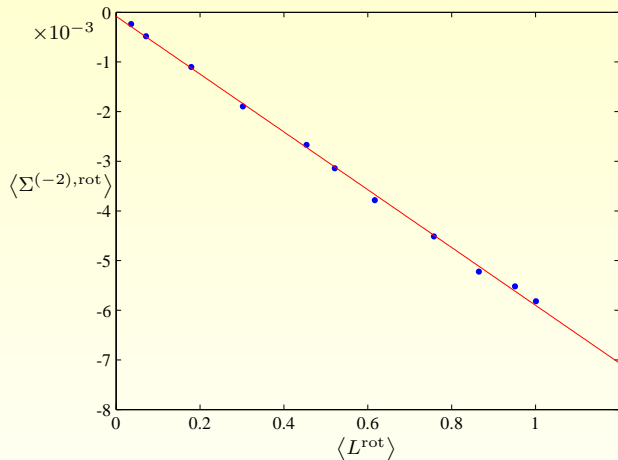


The expectation value of $\Sigma^{(-1), \text{rot}}$ as function of L^{rot}

$$\langle \Sigma^{(-1), \text{rot}} \rangle = -0.00545 \cdot \langle L^{\text{rot}} \rangle - 4.379 \cdot 10^{-6} \quad (\text{rmse} = 2.978 \cdot 10^{-5})$$

expansion on $4^3 \times 3$: $\langle \Sigma^{(-1)} \rangle = -0.004 \cdot \langle L \rangle$





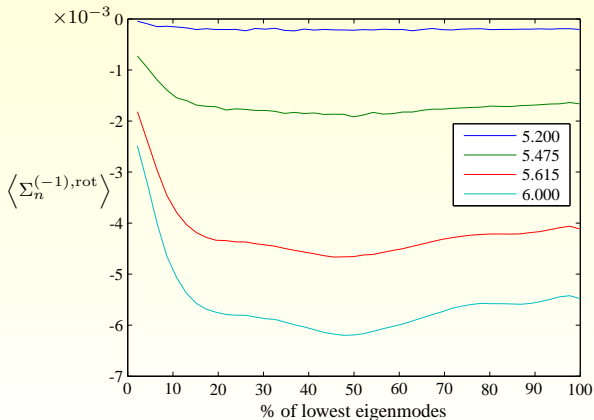
The expectation value of $\Sigma^{(-2), \text{rot}}$ as function of L^{rot}

$$\langle \Sigma^{(-2), \text{rot}} \rangle = -0.00582 \cdot \langle L^{\text{rot}} \rangle - 8.035 \cdot 10^{-5}$$



ultraviolet vs. infrared contributions: partial sums

$$\Sigma_n^{(-1)} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \bar{z}_k \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{1}{z_k \lambda_p} \Rightarrow \text{lowest 10\%}$$



- exponential spectral sums

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \bar{z}_k \operatorname{Tr} \exp(-z_k \mathcal{D})$$

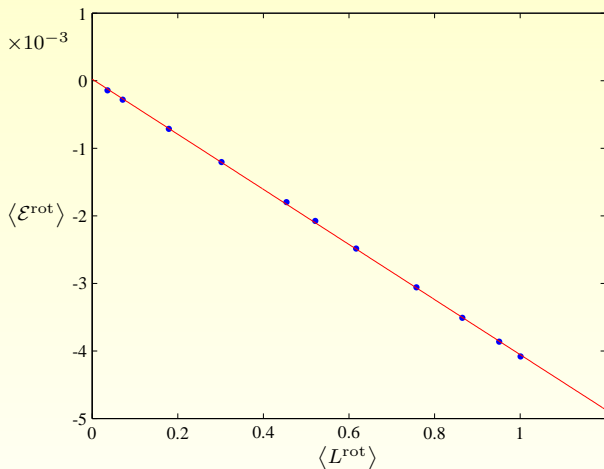
- Gaussian spectral sums

$$\mathcal{G} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \bar{z}_k \operatorname{Tr} \exp(-z_k \mathcal{D}^\dagger z_k \mathcal{D})$$

- used in proper-time and zeta-function regularisation
 $\kappa \mathcal{G}$ well-behaved continuum limit
- expansion \Rightarrow

$$\mathcal{E} \approx \frac{(-1)^{N_\tau}}{N_\tau!} e^{-(m+d)L}$$

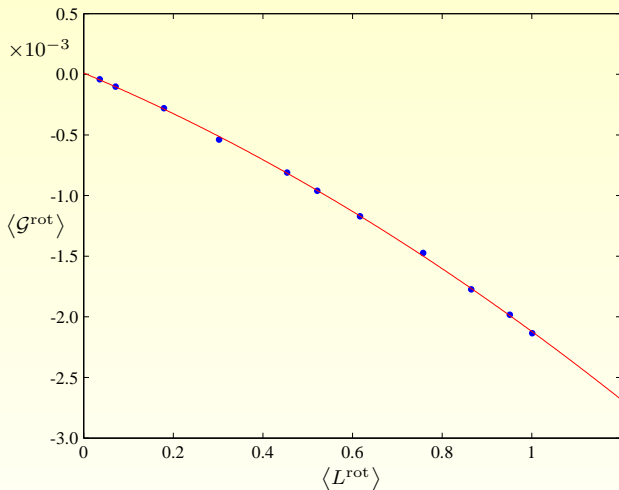




The expectation value of \mathcal{E}^{rot} as function of L^{rot}

$$\langle \mathcal{E}^{\text{rot}} \rangle = -0.00408 \cdot \langle L^{\text{rot}} \rangle + 2.346 \cdot 10^{-5} \quad (\text{rmse} = 1.82 \cdot 10^{-5})$$





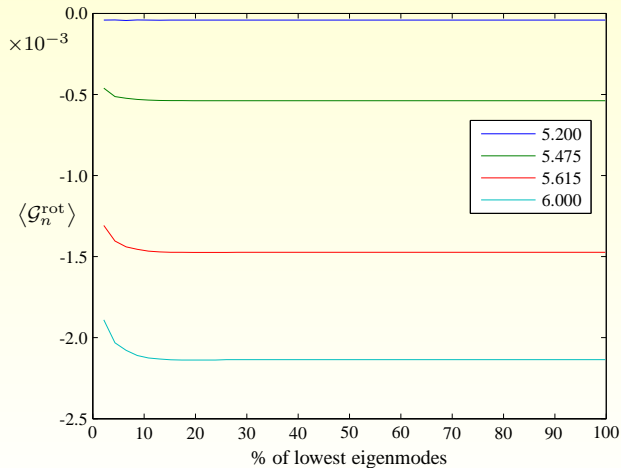
The expectation value of \mathcal{G}^{rot} as function of L^{rot}

$$\langle \mathcal{G}^{\text{rot}} \rangle = -0.000571 \cdot \langle L^{\text{rot}} \rangle^2 - 0.00156 \cdot \langle L^{\text{rot}} \rangle + 1.061 \cdot 10^{-5}$$



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$$\mathcal{G}_n = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_k \bar{z}_k \sum_{p=1}^n e^{-|z_k \lambda_p|^2} \Rightarrow \text{lowest 3\%}$$



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curvature free gauge field configurations

- $SU(N)$ -field configuration

$$U_i(x) = \mathbb{1} \quad \text{and} \quad U_0(x) = U_0(\tau), \quad x = (\tau, \mathbf{x})$$

- gauge transformation

$$V(\tau) = \mathcal{P}^{-1}(\tau), \quad \mathcal{P}(\tau) = U_0(\tau - 1) \cdots U_0(2)U_0(1)$$

trivial $U_\mu(x) = \mathbb{1}$ and free Dirac operator, but

$$\psi(\tau + N_\tau, \mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{P}^{-1}\psi(\tau, \mathbf{x})$$



- diagonalize Polyakov loop $\mathcal{P} \sim (e^{2\pi i\varphi_1}, \dots, e^{2\pi i\varphi_N})$
- **eigenfunctions**: plane waves with (p_0, \mathbf{p}) , non-periodic in x^0
eigenvalues of \mathcal{D}

$$\lambda_p^\pm = m \pm i|\sin p_\mu| + 2r \sin^2 \left(\frac{p_\mu}{2} \right)$$

twist \equiv changing bc

$$z_k = e^{2\pi i k/N} \mathbb{1} \implies \varphi_j \longrightarrow \varphi_j - \frac{k}{N}$$

example

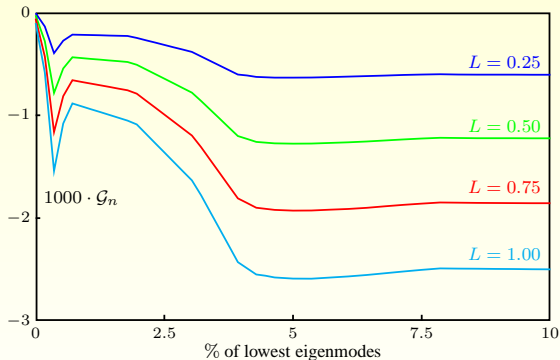
$$\mathcal{P}(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{2\pi i\theta} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{-2\pi i\theta} \end{pmatrix} \implies L = 1 + 2 \cos(2\pi\theta)$$



momenta in time direction

$$p_0(z_k) \in \left\{ \frac{2\pi}{N_T} (n_0 - \varphi_j - k/N) \right\}, \quad 1 \leq j, k \leq N$$

⇒ eigenvalues, **spectral sums**



The partial Gaussian sums \mathcal{G}_n for flat connections with different L



Beyond order Parameter

- correlations functions of Polyakov loops
exact relation

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{y}) = \eta^2 \sum_{k,\ell} \bar{z}_k \bar{z}_\ell \langle x | z^k \mathcal{D}^{N_\tau} | x \rangle \langle y | z^\ell \mathcal{D}^{N_\tau} | y \rangle$$

- dominated by UV-modes; enhance IR-modes \rightarrow

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x})\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{y}) \approx \eta^2 \sum_{k,\ell} \bar{z}_k \bar{z}_\ell \langle x | f(z^k \mathcal{D}) | x \rangle \langle y | f(z^\ell \mathcal{D}) | y \rangle$$

- stringtension

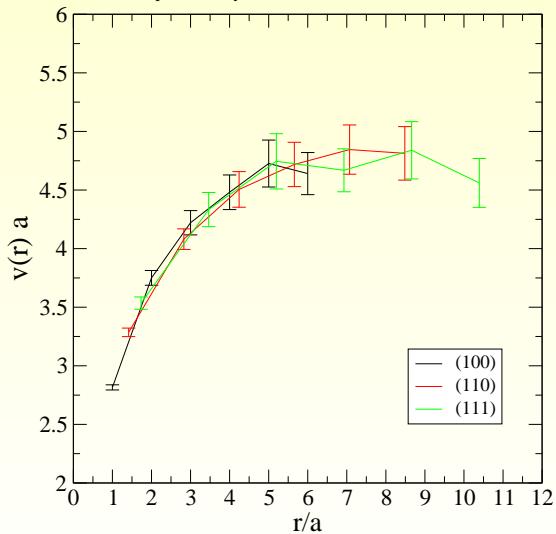
$$\langle P(\mathbf{x})P(\mathbf{y}) \rangle \propto e^{-\beta F_{q\bar{q}}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})}, \quad F_{q\bar{q}}(\xi) \rightarrow \begin{cases} \sigma|\xi| & |\xi| \gg 1/\Lambda \\ c/|\xi| & |\xi| \ll 1/\Lambda \end{cases}$$



- **partial sums** (propagator or exponential)
only lowest modes $\Rightarrow q\bar{q}$ not resolved \Rightarrow only linear potential
including all eigenvalues (traces) \Rightarrow short range Coulomb visible
- **continuum gauge theories on \mathbb{T}^4 :**
flat connection no good \Rightarrow **Abelian instantons** ('t Hooft)
eigenvalues known; eigenfunction = elliptic functions
work in progress (**Langfeld, Synatschke, AW**)
- first numerical results (large lattices)



SU(2), $12^3 \times 4$, $\sigma a^2 = 0.124$, 80 eigenv, exp sum
preliminary 31.12.2007, to be confirmed



Conclusions, remarks

- direct relation order parameter $\mathcal{P}(x) \leftrightarrow \sigma(\mathcal{D})$
- if one allows $z \in U(1)$ and not only $z \in \mathcal{Z} \Rightarrow$ then

$$\int_{S^1} d\bar{z} \operatorname{Tr} f(zD) = \text{const} \cdot \tilde{L}$$

dressed Polyakov loop \tilde{L} : sum of loops with one winding

- choose $f(\mathcal{D}) = 1/\mathcal{D}$, average over gauge fields; $m \rightarrow 0 \implies$

Banks-Casher traces \leftrightarrow order parameter $\langle \tilde{L} \rangle$

(Bruckmann, Gattringer, unpublished)

- continuum limit

