

# First-order Phase Transition and Critical Points on $SU(3)$ Yang-Mills theory on $T^2 \times R^2$

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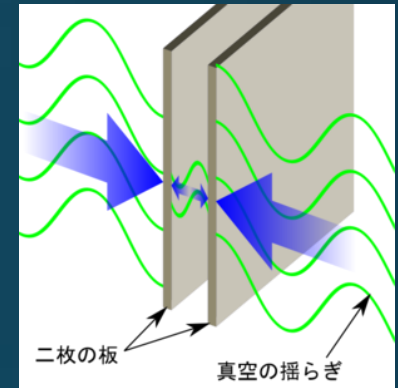
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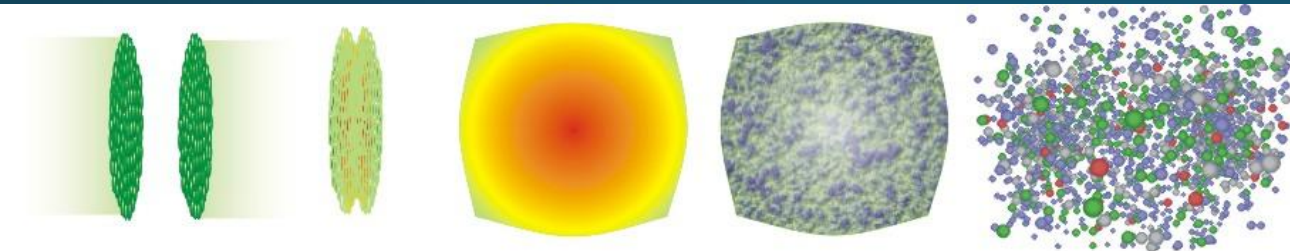
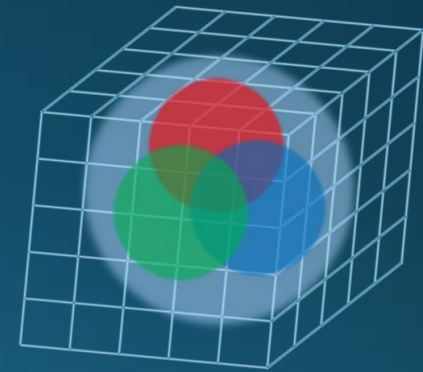
# Boundary Conditions in QFT

## Many motivations

- Casimir effect
- Relativistic heavy-ion collisions
- Numerical simulations (ex. lattice QCD)
- Matsubara formalism for thermal systems



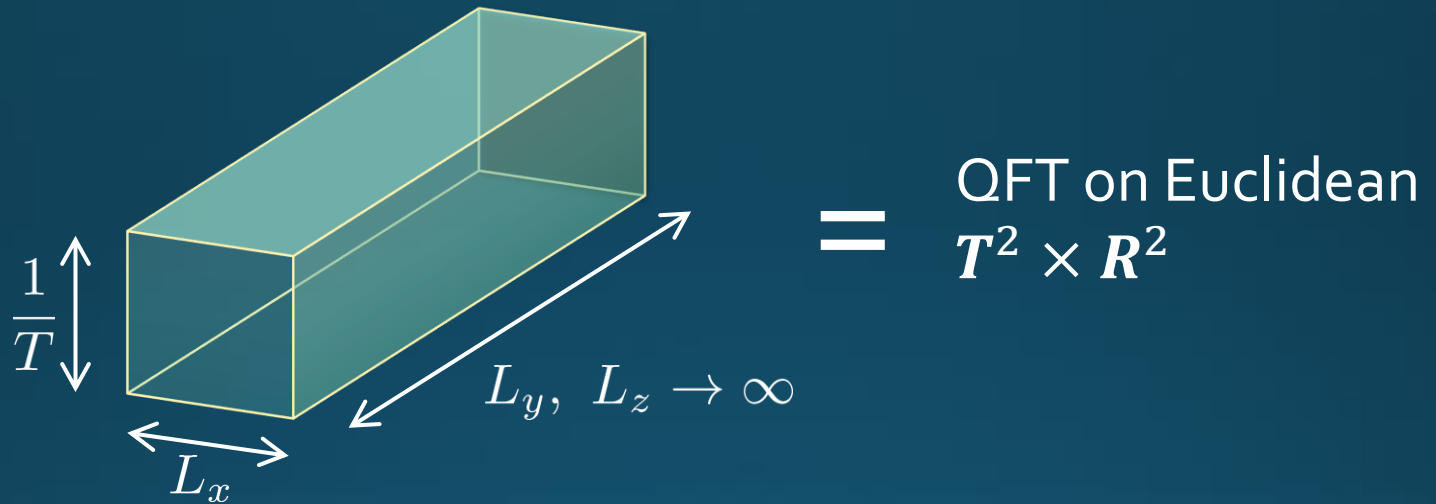
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$$L_\tau = \frac{1}{T}$$

# Our Purpose

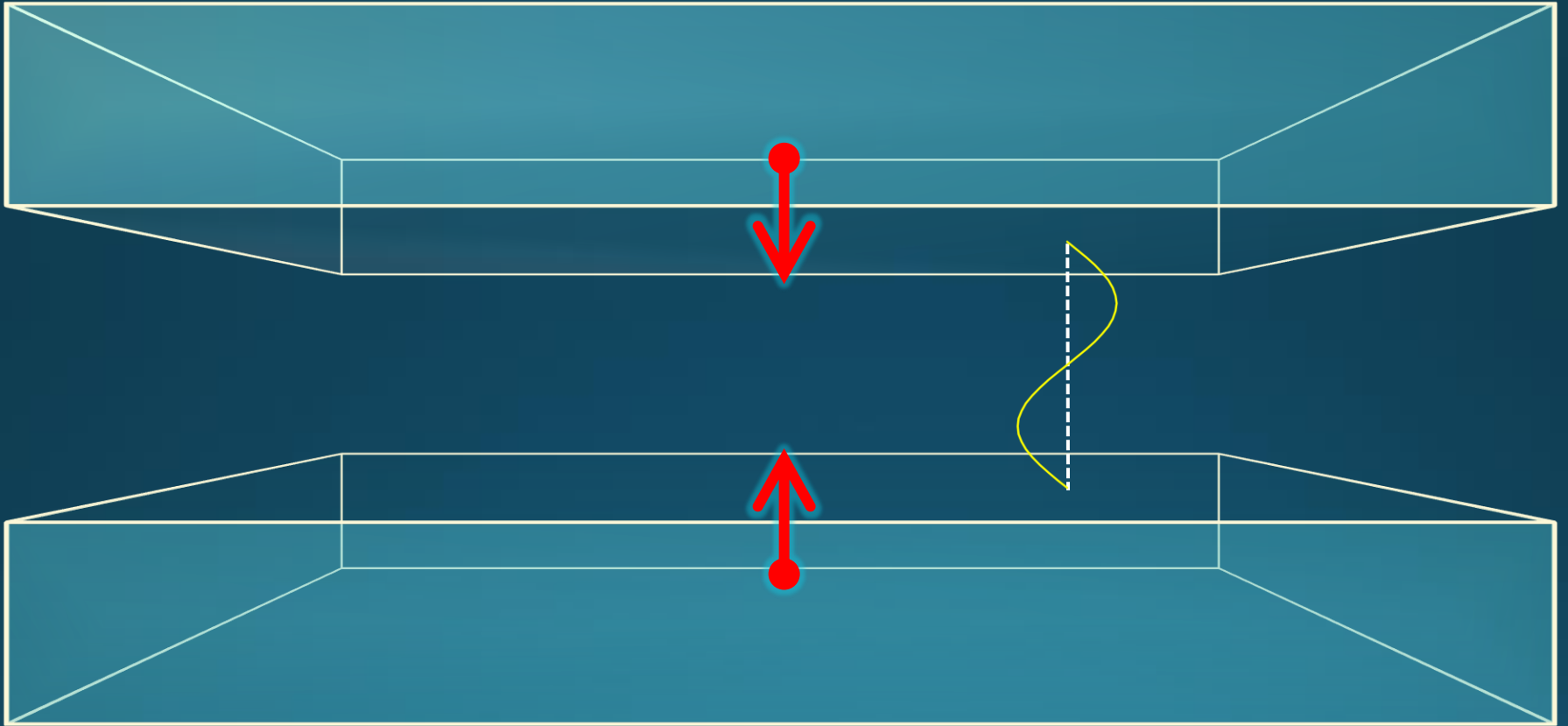
Thermal SU(3)YM with PBC along  $x$  direction



How does thermodynamics behave w.r.t.  $T$  and  $L_x$ ?

- ❑ Thermal Casimir effect in a non-perturbative system
- ❑ QCD phase diagram as a function of  $L_x$
- ❑ Anisotropic pressure
- ❑ 2 Polyakov loops will play important roles

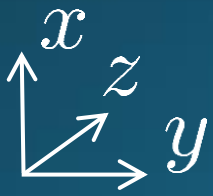
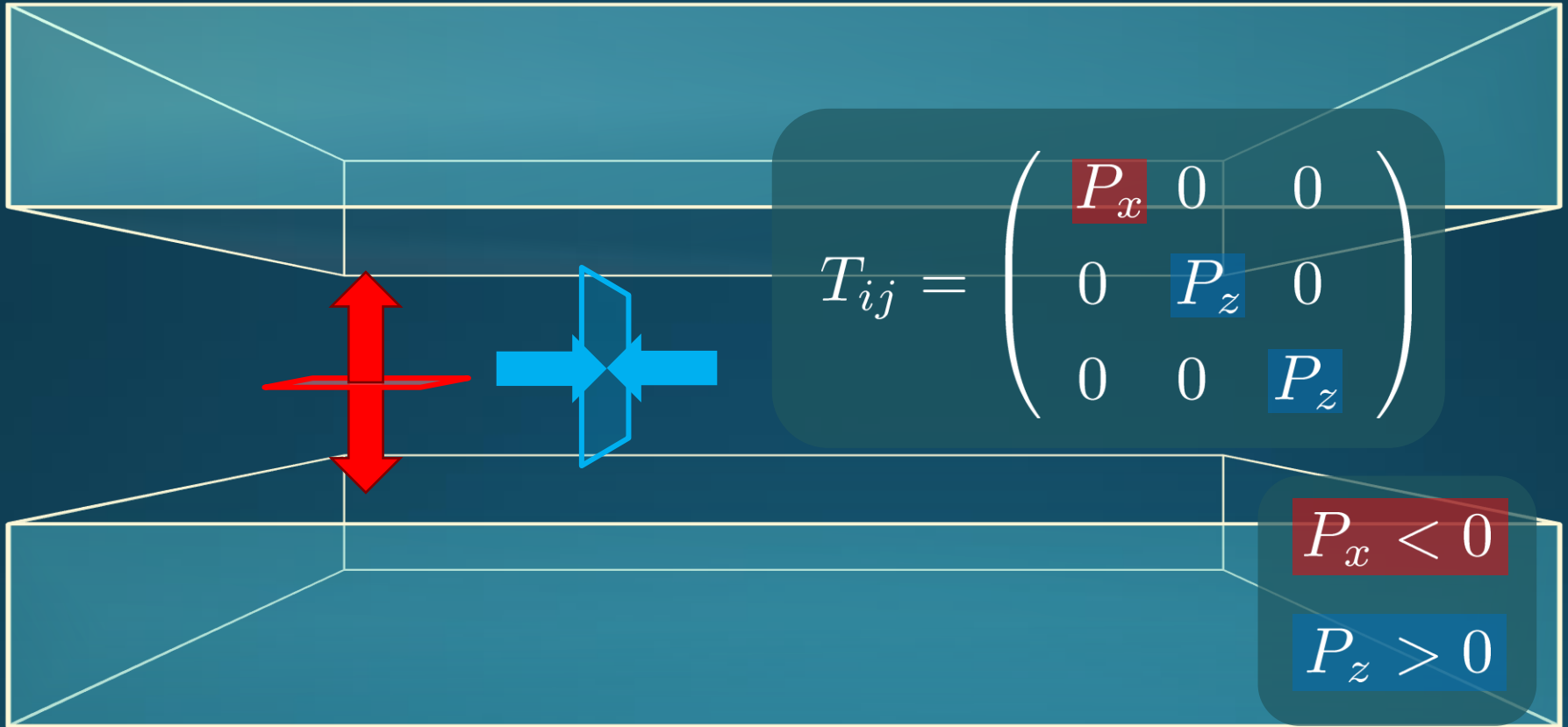
# Casimir Effect



attractive force between two conductive plates

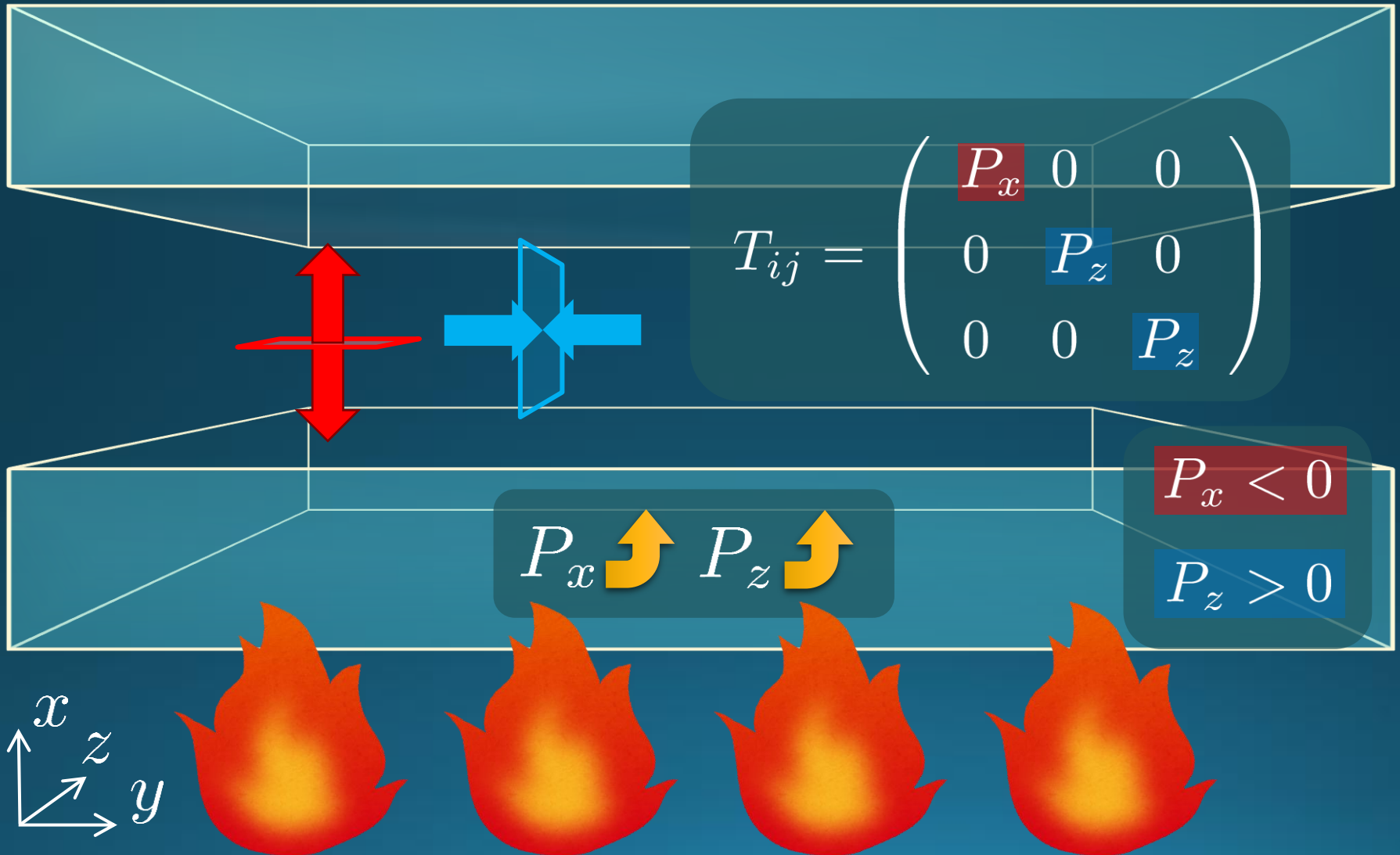
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# Thermodynamics on the Lattice

## Various Methods

- Integral, differential, moving frame, non-equilibrium, ...
- rely on thermodynamic relations valid in  $V \rightarrow \infty$

$$P = \frac{T}{V} \ln Z$$

$$sT = \varepsilon + P$$



**Not applicable to anisotropic systems**

- We employ **Gradient Flow (SFtX) Method**

$$\varepsilon = \langle T_{00} \rangle \quad P = \langle T_{11} \rangle$$

**Components of EMT are directly accessible!**



# Yang-Mills Gradient Flow

Luscher 2010

Narayanan, Neuberger, 2006

Luscher, Weiss, 2011

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} A_\mu(t, x) = - \frac{\partial S_{\text{YM}}}{\partial A_\mu}$$

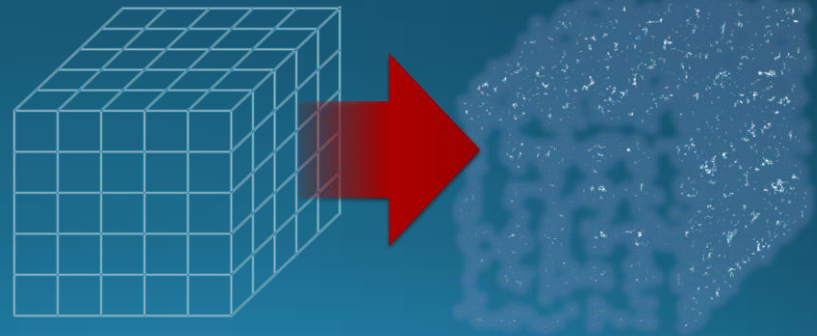
$$A_\mu(0, x) = A_\mu(x)$$

t: "flow time"  
dim:[length<sup>2</sup>]



$$\partial_t A_\mu = D_\nu G_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\nu \partial_\nu A_\mu + \dots$$

- diffusion equation in 4-dim space
- diffusion distance  $d \sim \sqrt{8t}$
- "continuous" cooling/smearing
- No UV divergence at  $t > 0$



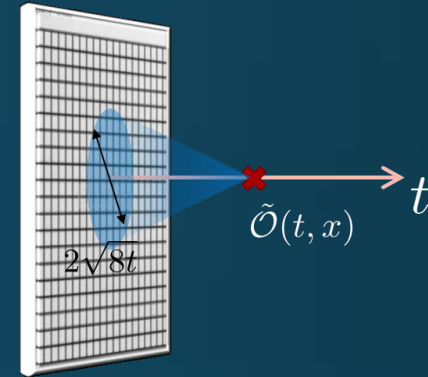
# Constructing EMT

Suzuki, 2013

$$U_{\mu\nu}(t, x) = \alpha_U(t) \left[ T_{\mu\nu}^R(x) - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu\nu} T_{\rho\rho}^R(x) \right] + \mathcal{O}(t)$$

$$E(t, x) = \langle E(t, x) \rangle + \alpha_E(t) T_{\rho\rho}^R(x) + \mathcal{O}(t)$$

vacuum subtr.



## Remormalized EMT

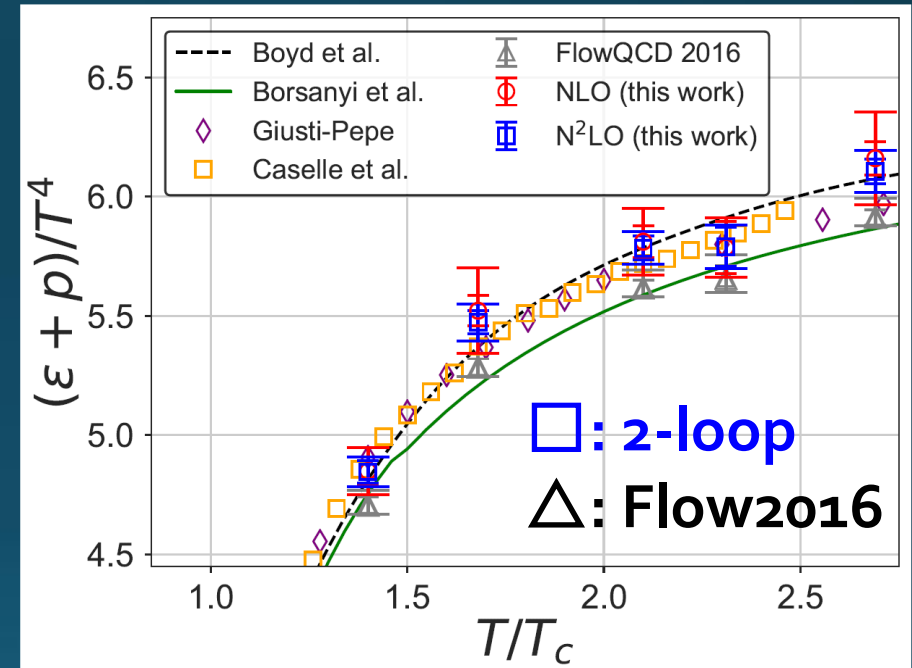
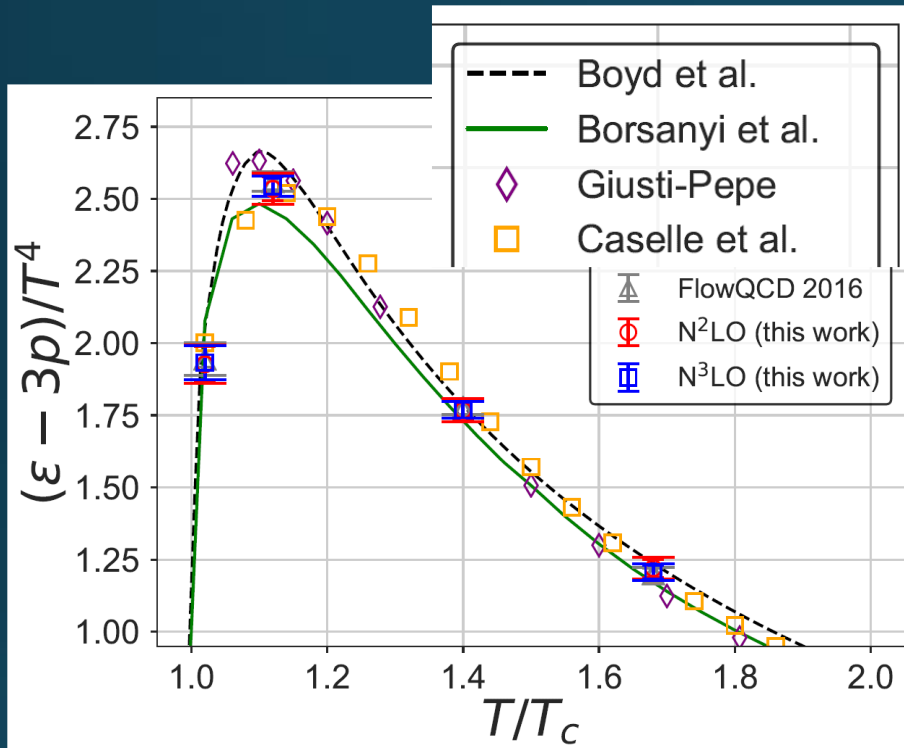
$$T_{\mu\nu}^R(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} [c_1(t) U_{\mu\nu}(t, x) + \delta_{\mu\nu} c_2(t) E(t, x)_{\text{subt.}}]$$

Perturbative coefficient:

Suzuki (2013); Makino, Suzuki (2014); Harlander+ (2018); Iritani, MK, Suzuki, Takaura (2019)

# Thermodynamics

Iritani, MK, Suzuki, Takaura, 2019




Systematic error:  $\mu_0$  or  $\mu_d$ ,  $\Lambda$ ,  $t \rightarrow 0$  function, fit range

- Good agreement within **1% level**
- Our method can deal with the anisotropic pressure

# Numerical Setup

- SU(3) YM theory
- Wilson gauge action
- $N_t = 16, 12$
- $N_z/N_t = 6$
- 2000~4000 confs.
- Even  $N_x$
- No Continuum extrap.



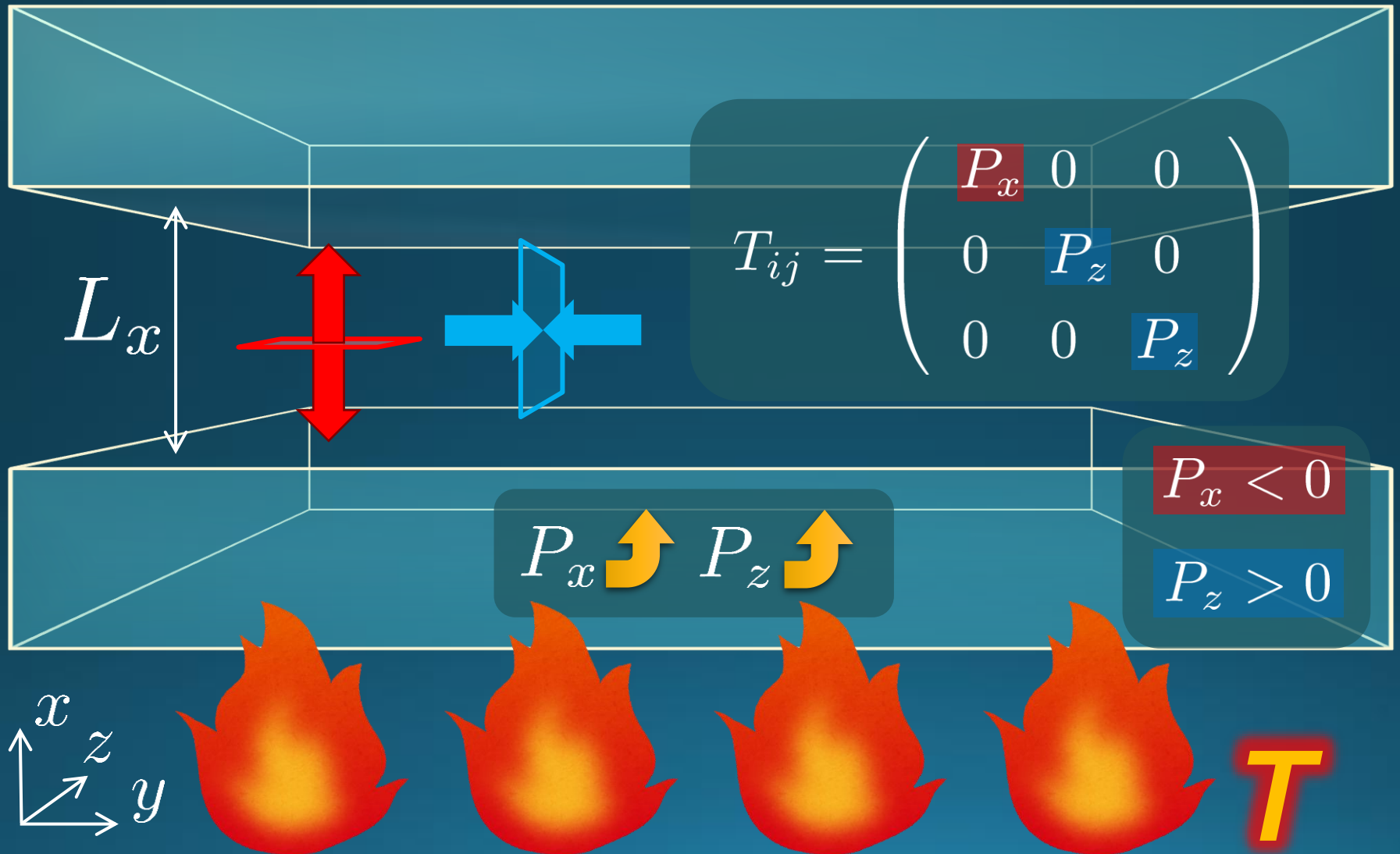
$T/T_c$	$\beta$	$N_z$	$N_\tau$	$N_x$	$N_{\text{vac}}$
1.12	6.418	72	12	12, 14, 16, 18	64
	6.631	96	16	16, 18, 20, 22, 24	96
1.40	6.582	72	12	12, 14, 16, 18	64
	6.800	96	16	16, 18, 20, 22, 24	128
1.68	6.719	72	12	12, 14, 16, 18, 24	64
	6.719	96	12	14, 18	64
	6.941	96	16	16, 18, 20, 22, 24	96
2.10	6.891	72	12	12, 14, 16, 18, 24	72
	7.117	96	16	16, 18, 20, 22, 24	128
2.69	7.086	72	12	12, 14, 16, 18	-
$\simeq 8.1$	8.0	72	12	12, 14, 16, 18	-
$\simeq 25$	9.0	72	12	12, 14, 16, 18	-

- Same System volume
  - $12 \times 72^2 \times 12 \sim 16 \times 96^2 \times 16$
  - $18 \times 72^2 \times 12 \sim 24 \times 96^2 \times 16$

Simulations on  
OCTOPUS/Reedbush

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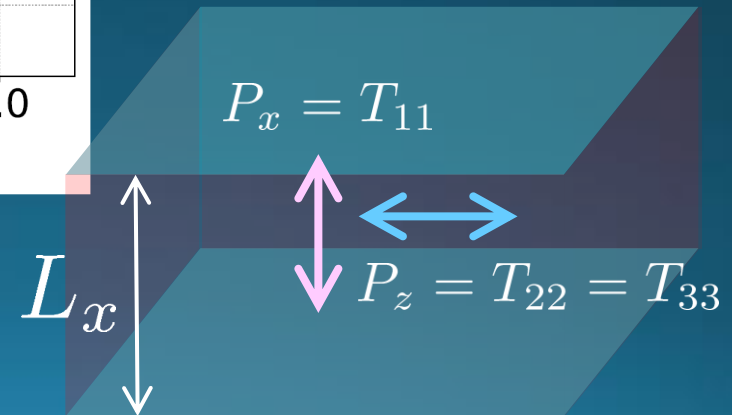
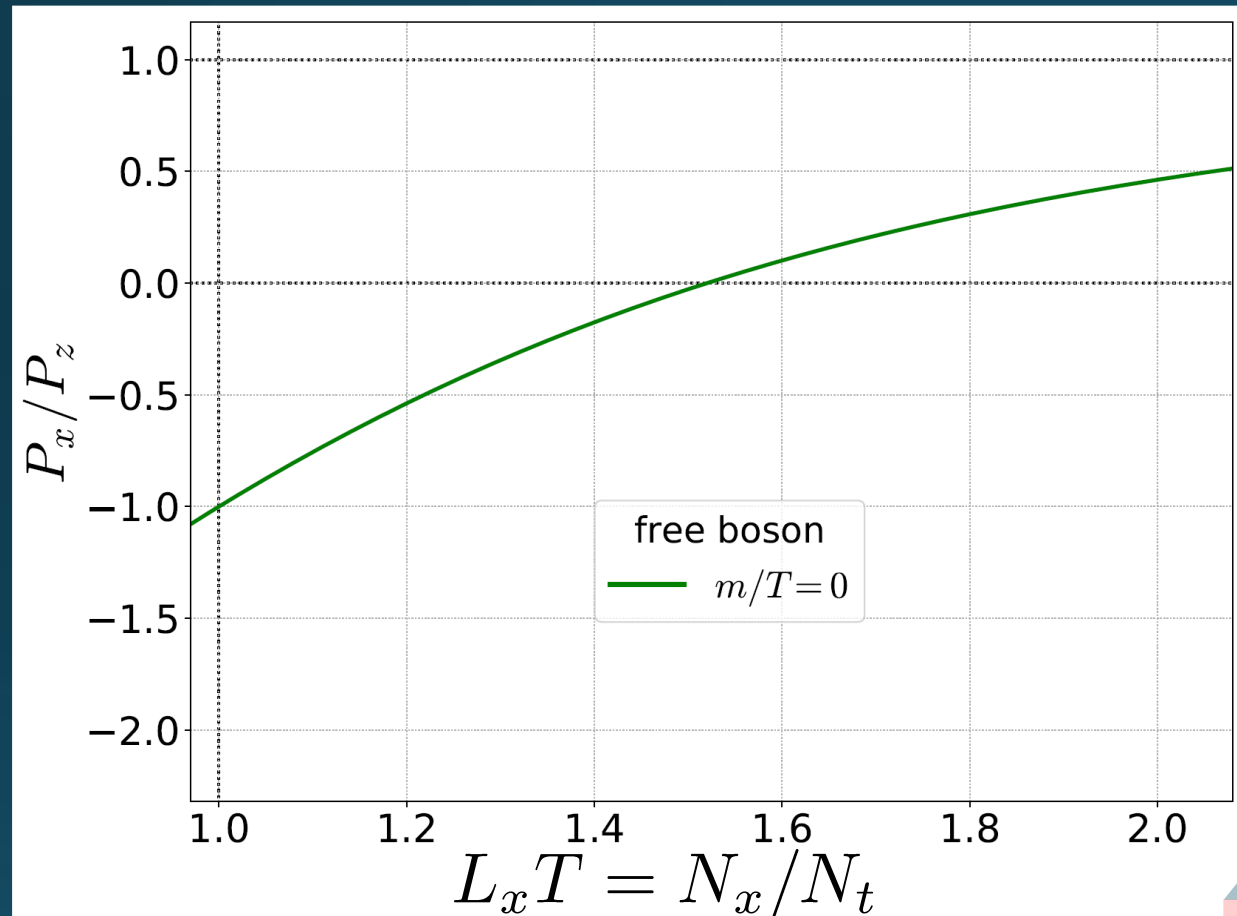
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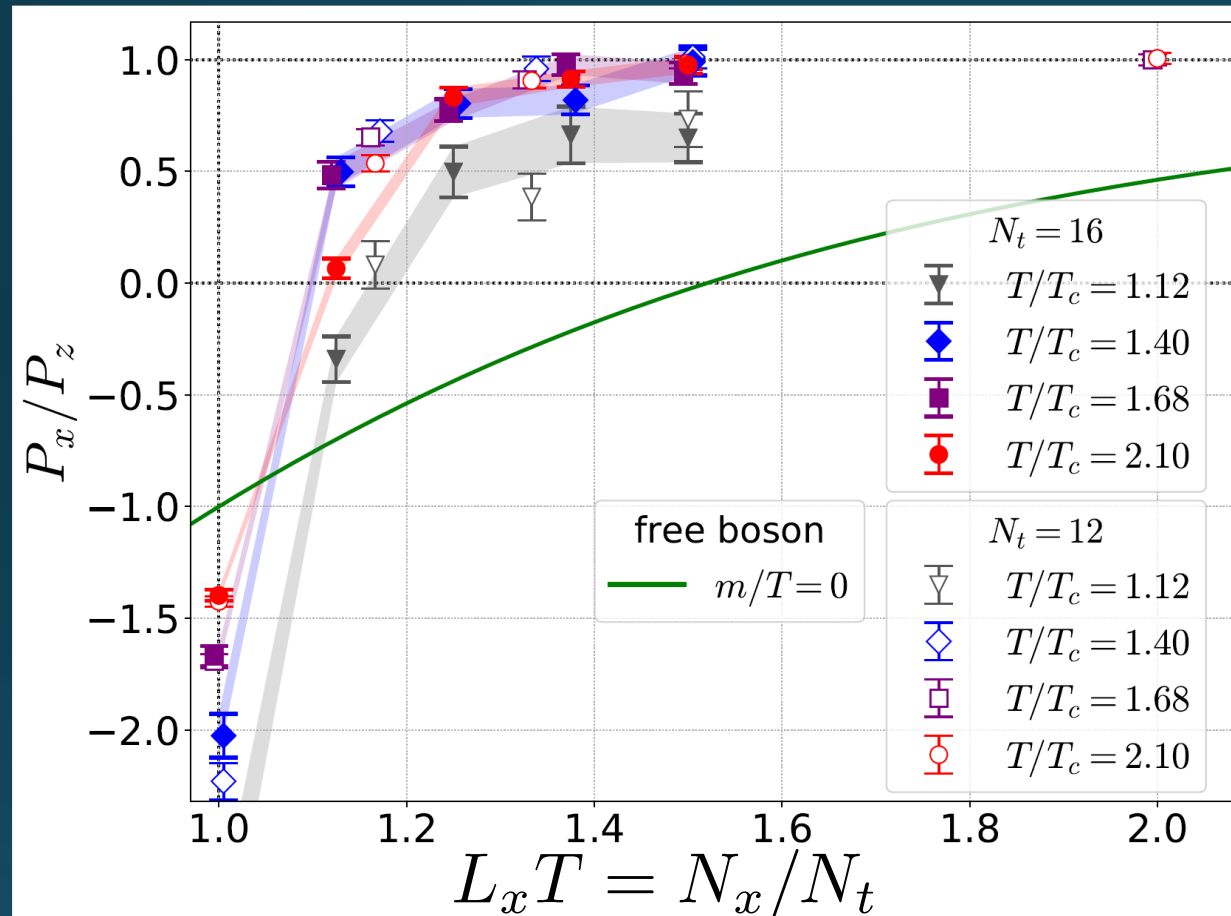
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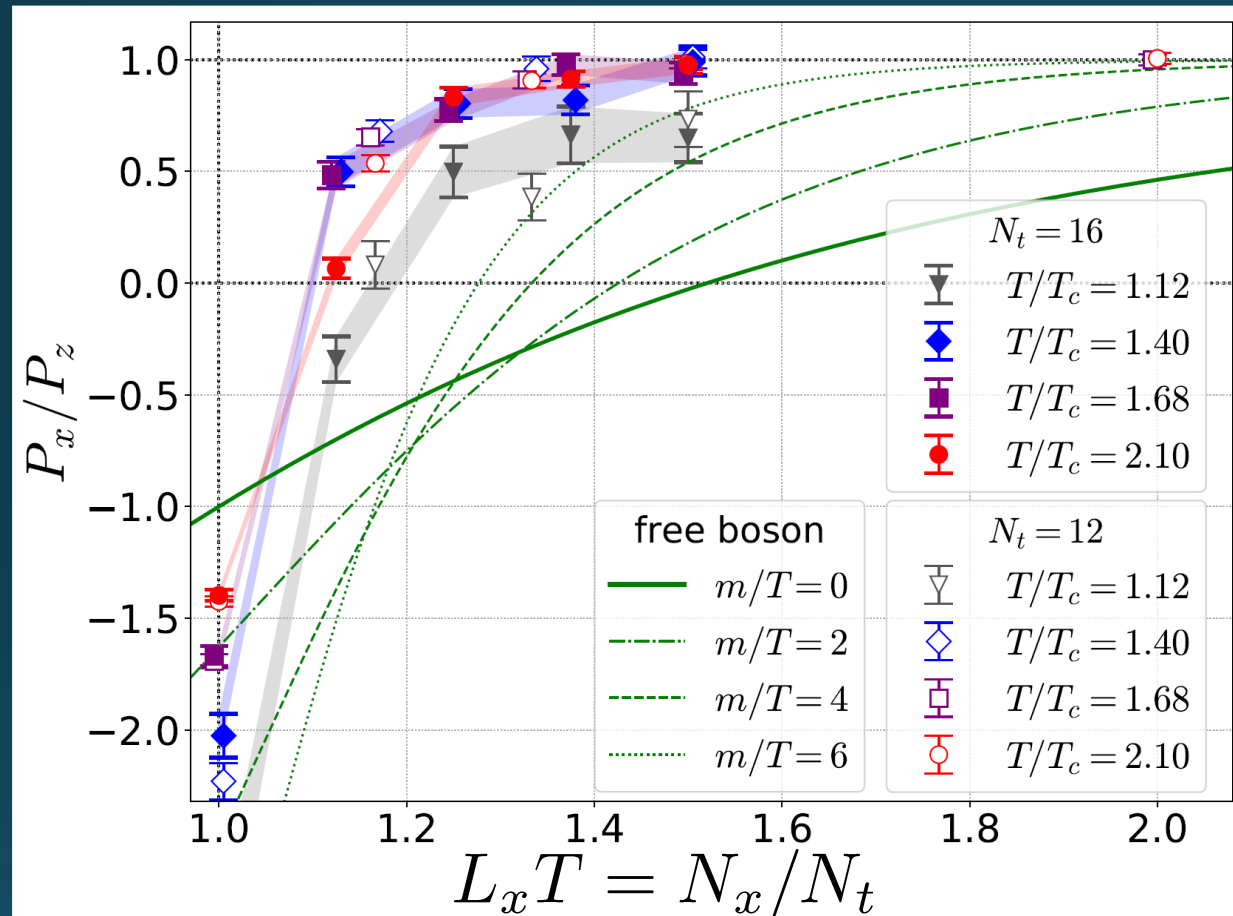
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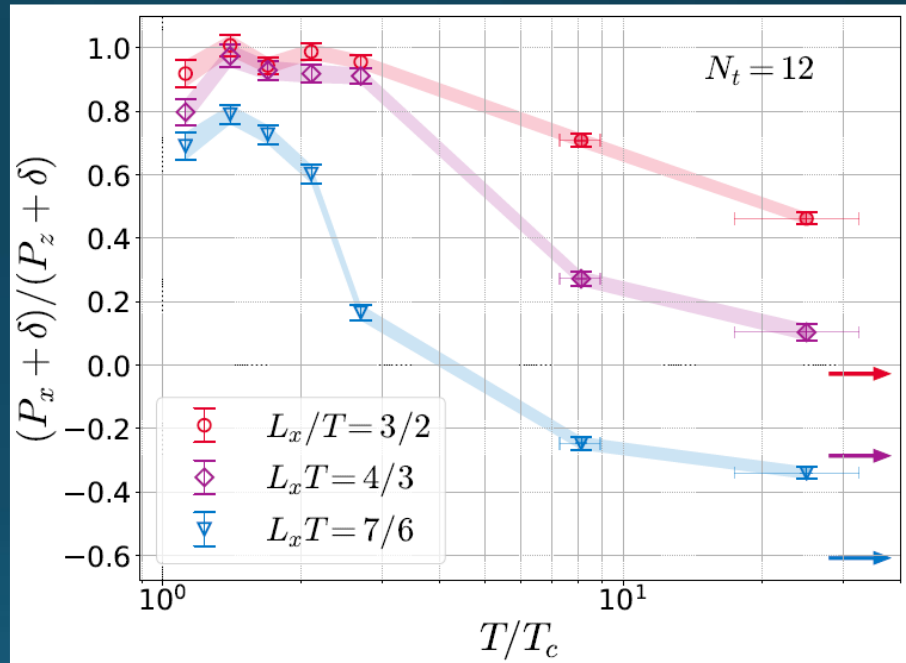
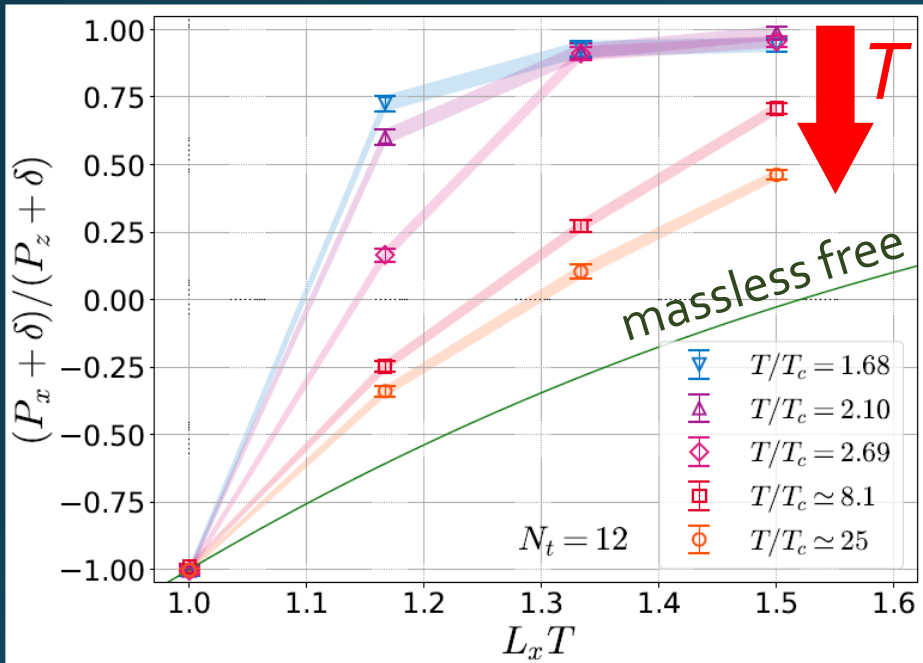


**We study**

$$R = \frac{P_x + \delta}{P_z + \delta} \quad \delta = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{\mu} T_{\mu\mu}^E$$

No vacuum subtr.  
nor Suzuki coeffs.  
necessary!

$$\frac{P_x + \delta}{P_z + \delta}$$



$T/T_c \approx 8.1$  ( $\beta = 8.0$ ),  $T/T_c \approx 25$  ( $\beta = 9.0$ )

- Ratio approaches the asymptotic value for large  $T$ .
- But, large deviation exists even at  $T/T_c \approx 25$ .
- 1st-order phase transition??

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# Polyakov-loop Effective Models

Meisinger+, PRD (2003)

## General Idea

Constant Polyakov loop  $P$  as dynamical variable

$$P = \text{Tr} \left[ \mathcal{P} \exp \left( i \int_0^{L_\tau} A_\tau d\tau \right) \right]$$

- $P = 0$  : confinement
- $P \neq 0$  : deconfinement

## Free Energy

$$F(T; P) = F_{\text{pert.}}(T; P) + F_{\text{pot.}}(T; P)$$

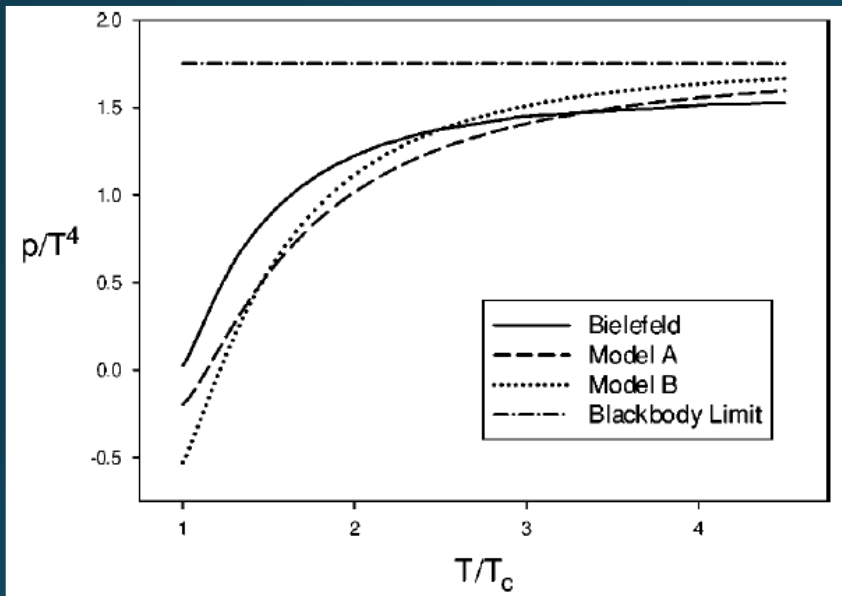
massless free gluons  
with constant  $A_0(x)$

Phenomenological  
potential term

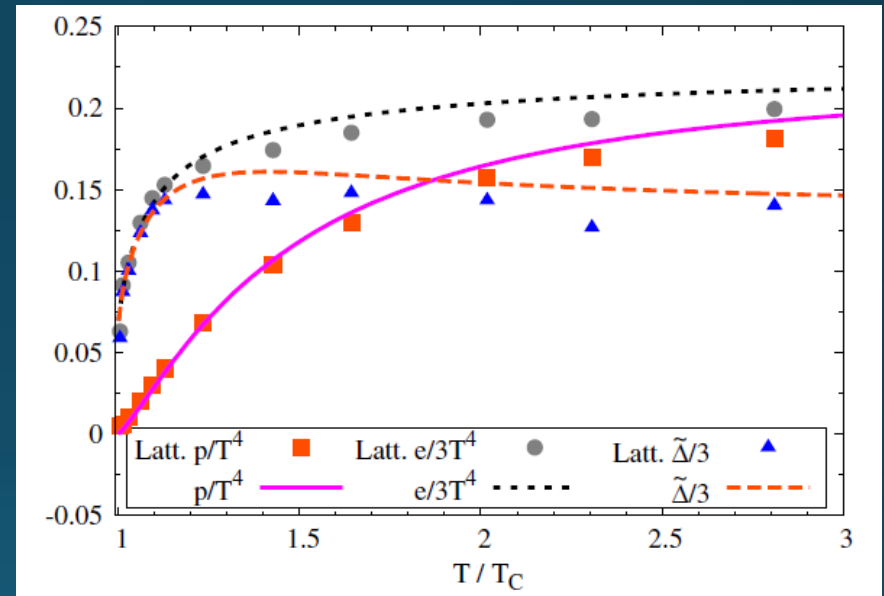
➔  $\langle P \rangle$  is determined to minimize  $F(T; P)$ .

# Thermodynamics

Meisinger+, PRD ('03)



Dumitru+, PRD ('12)



Qualitative behavior of lattice thermodynamics near and above  $T_C$  is well reproduced.

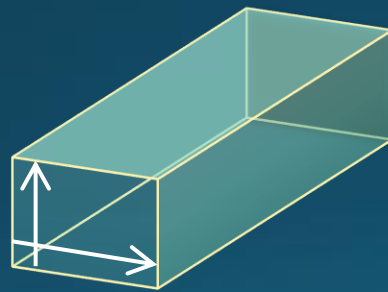
# Extension to $T^2 \times R^2$

Suenaga, MK ('23); Fujii+ ('24)

2 Polyakov loops along  $\tau$  and  $x$  directions

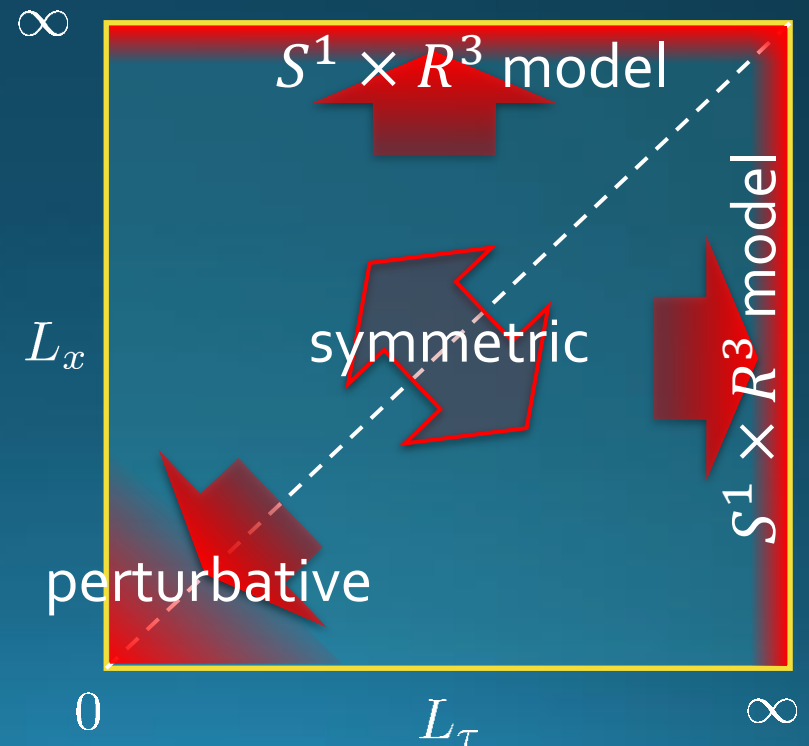
$$P_\tau = \text{Tr} \left[ \mathcal{P} \exp \left( i \int_0^{L_\tau} A_\tau d\tau \right) \right]$$

$$P_x = \text{Tr} \left[ \mathcal{P} \exp \left( i \int_0^{L_\tau} A_x d\tau \right) \right]$$



## Free Energy

- Function of 2 Polyakov loops.
- Constructed under constraints in various limits and symmetries



# Polyakov-loop Potential Term

Fujii+ (2024)

$$F_{\text{pot}} = F_{\text{sep}} + F_{\text{cross}}$$

$$F_{\text{sep}}(P_\tau, P_x; L_\tau, L_x) = F_{\text{pot}}^{S^1 \times R^3}(P_\tau, L_\tau) + F_{\text{pot}}^{S^1 \times R^3}(P_x, L_x)$$

Potential on  $S^1 \times R^3$   
from Dmitru+'12)

$$F_{\text{cross}} = g(L_\tau, L_x) \left[ c_4 \text{Tr}[P_\tau^\dagger P_\tau] \text{Tr}[P_x^\dagger P_x] \right. \\ \left. + c_5 (\text{Tr}[P_\tau^\dagger P_\tau] \text{Tr}[P_x^3] + \text{Tr}[P_\tau^3] \text{Tr}[P_x^\dagger P_x]) \right. \\ \left. + c_6 \text{Tr}[P_\tau^3] \text{Tr}[P_x^3] \right]$$

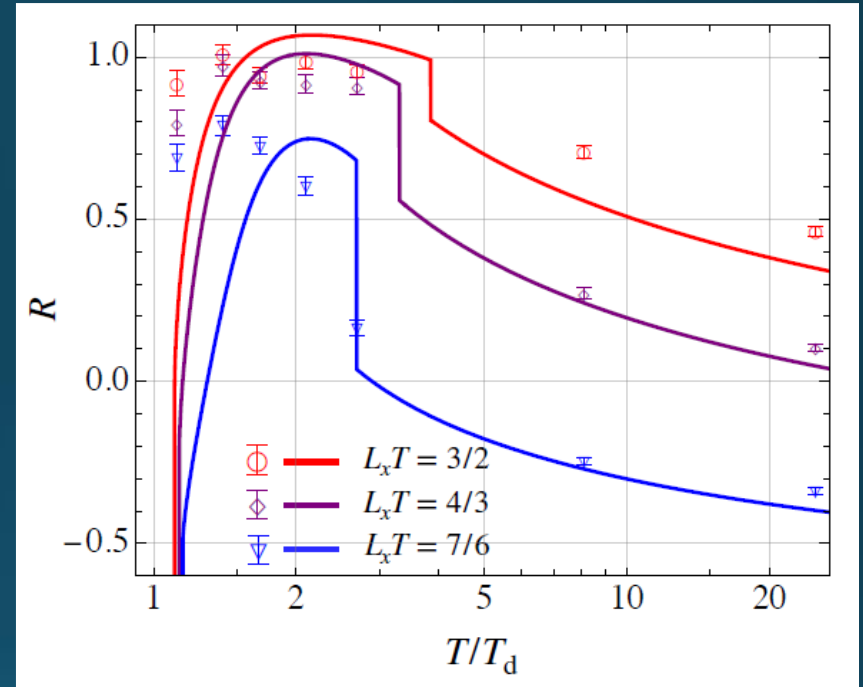
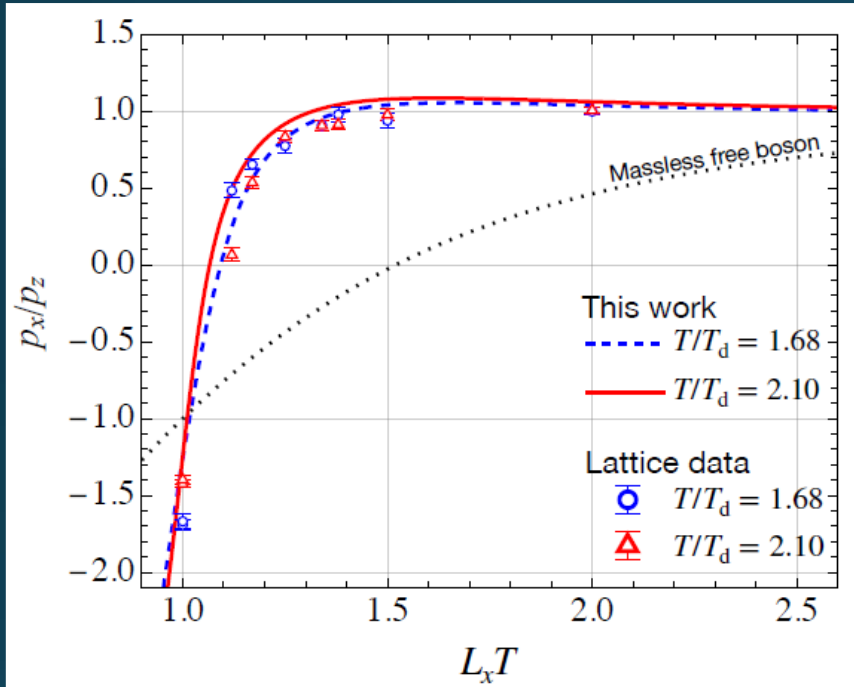
$$g(L_\tau, L_x) = T_c^4 \left( (T_c L_\tau)^2 + (T_c L_x)^2 \right)^{-n}$$

$c_4, c_5, c_6, n$  : parameters in the model



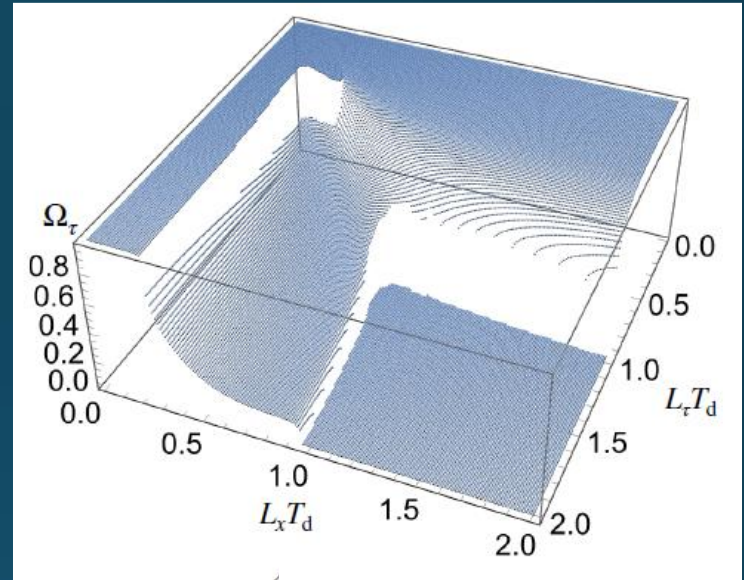
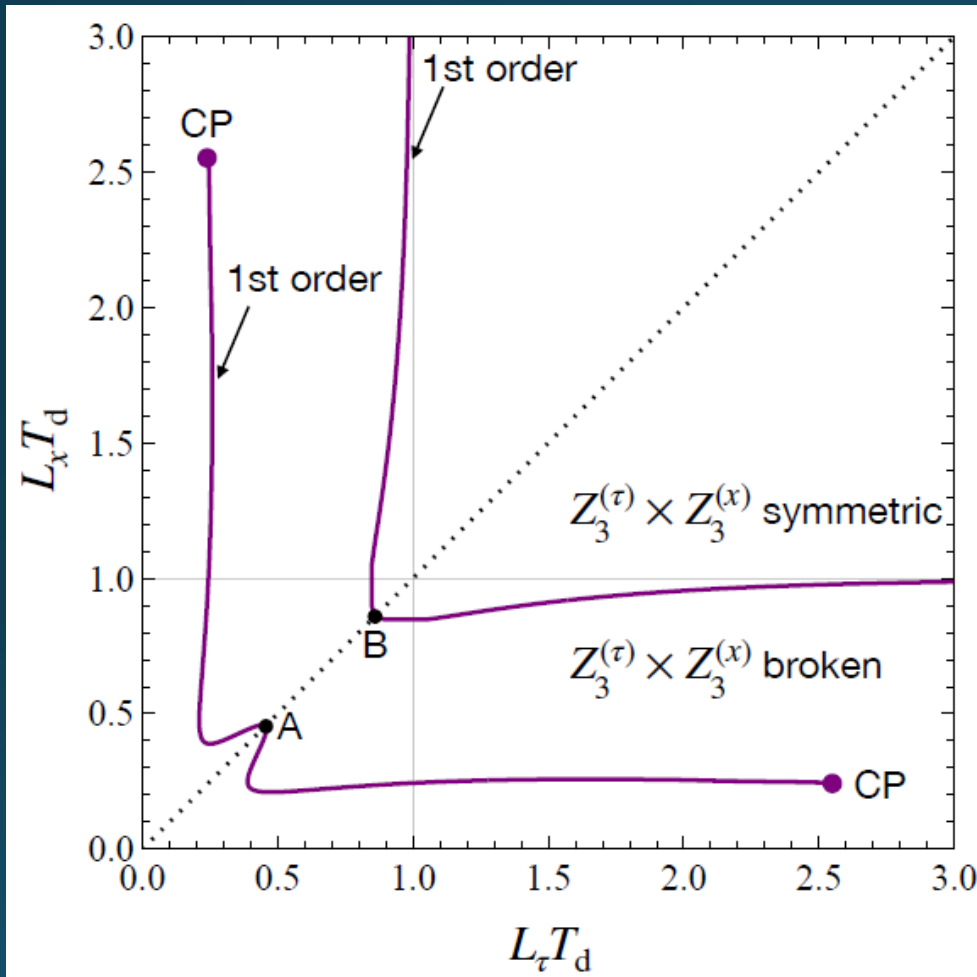
# Result

$$R = \frac{P_x + \delta}{P_z + \delta}$$



- Lattice results for  $T/T_c > 1.5$  are well reproduced.
- No parameters to fit the results for  $T/T_c = 1.4, 1.12$ .
- Appearance of discontinuity = 1st-order PT

# Phase Diagram



**2 first-order transitions!**

**B:** connected to deconf. tr.  
on  $S^1 \times R^3$

**A:** new phase transition

**Novel 1st-tr & CP induced by interplay between 2 Polyakov loops**

# Summary

**Lattice** thermodynamics in SU(3)YM on  $T^2 \times R^2$  has peculiar behaviors:

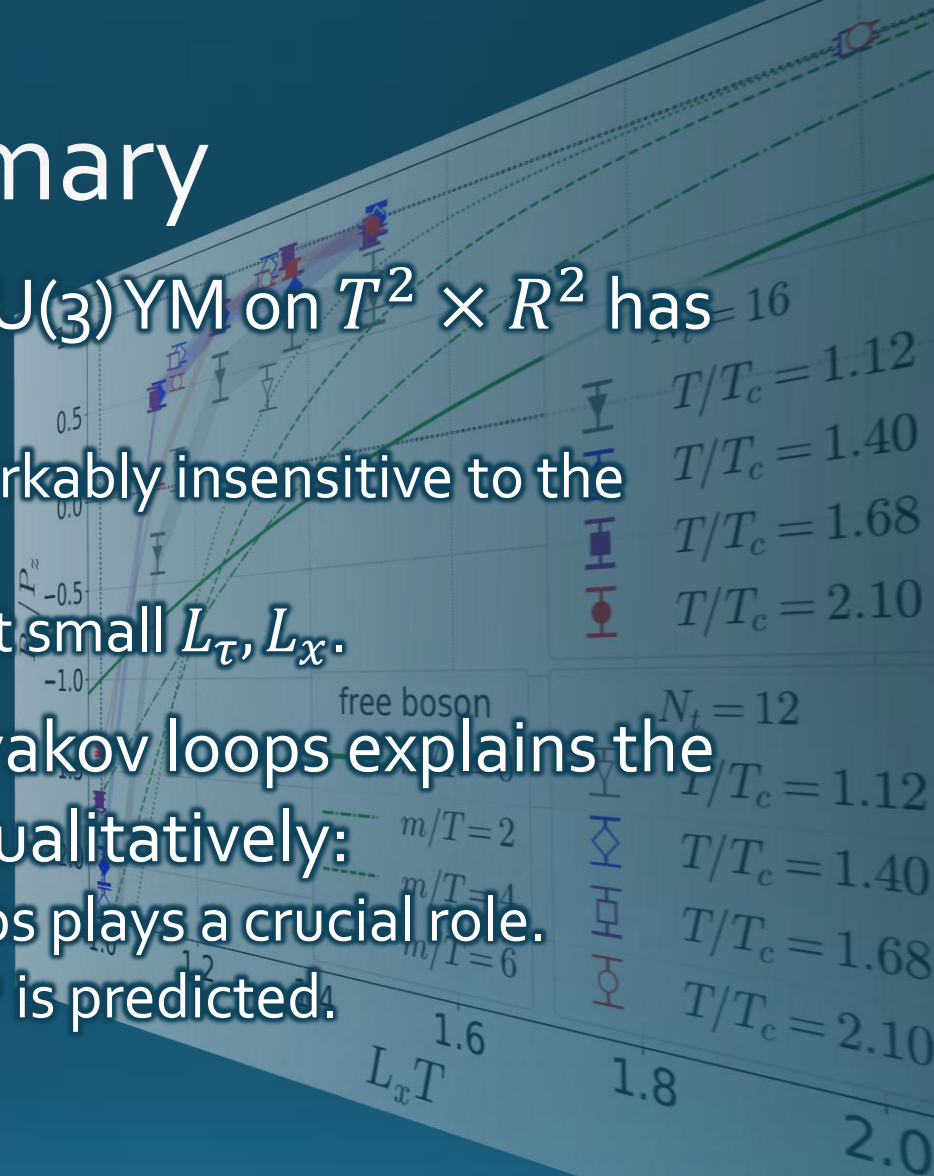
- Medium at  $1.4 < T/T_c < 2.1$  is remarkably insensitive to the boundary.
- Slow approach to the SB limit at small  $L_\tau, L_x$ .

**Model analysis** with two Polyakov loops explains the lattice results for  $T \geq 1.5T_c$  qualitatively:

- Interplay b/w two Polyakov loops plays a crucial role.
- Appearance of new 1st-PT & CP is predicted.

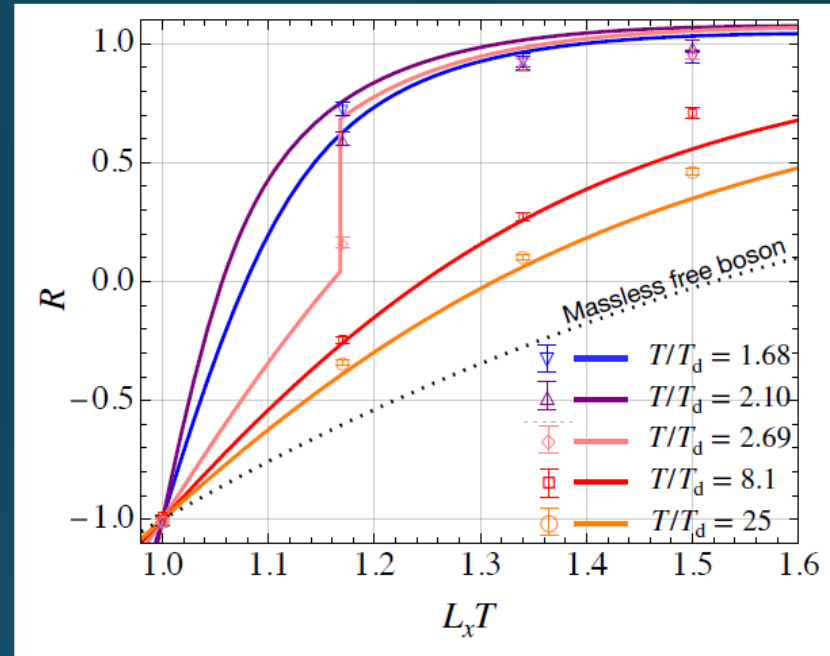
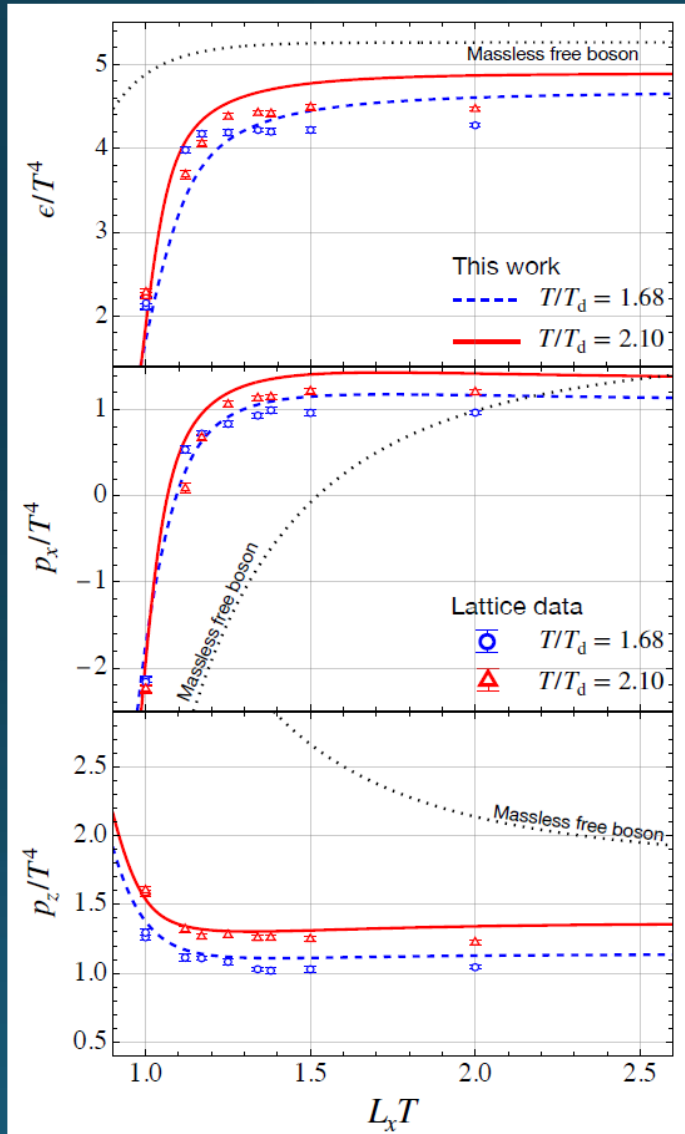
## Future

- More lattice results to confirm the existence of the 1st PT
- Anti-periodic / Dirichlet BCs, BC for two directions, below  $T_c$ , ...



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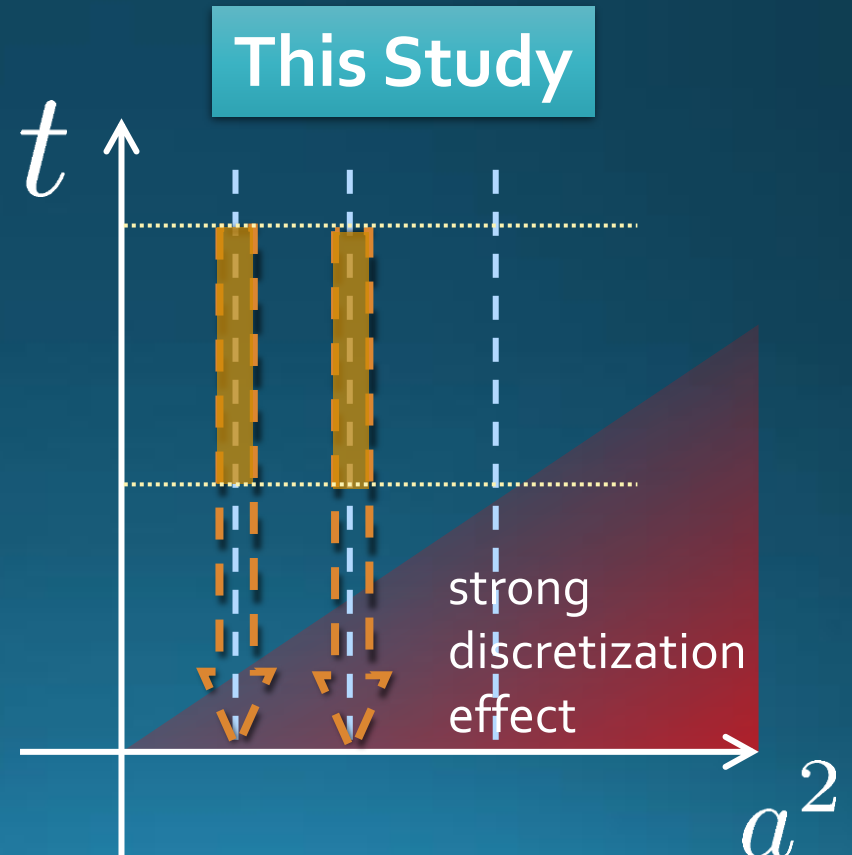
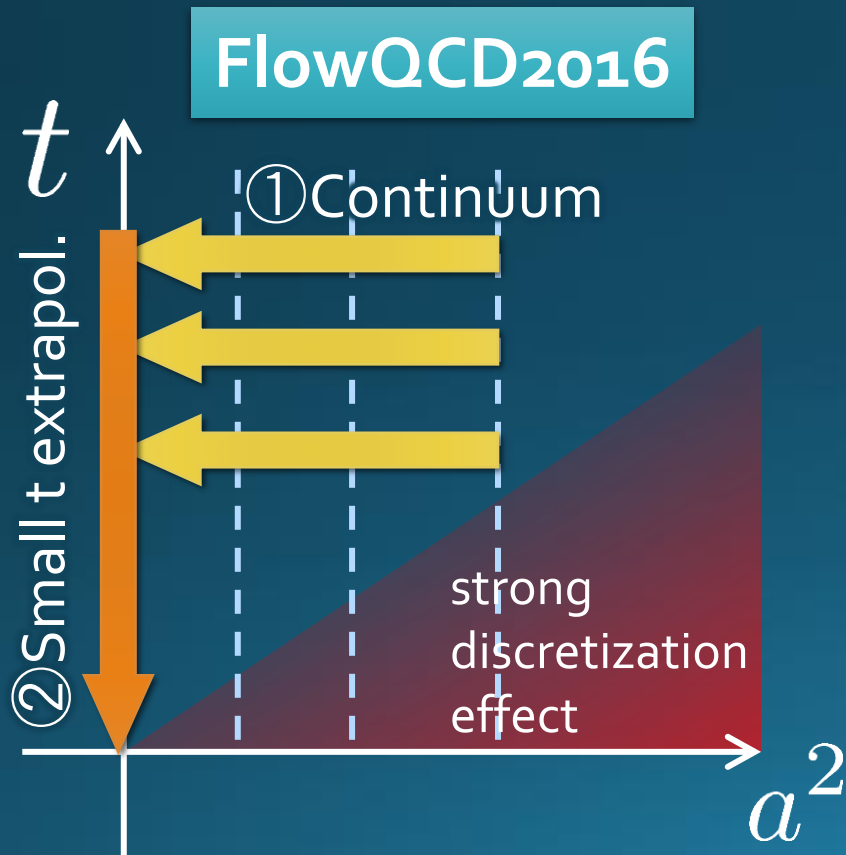
# Numerical Results



# Extrapolations $t \rightarrow 0, a \rightarrow 0$

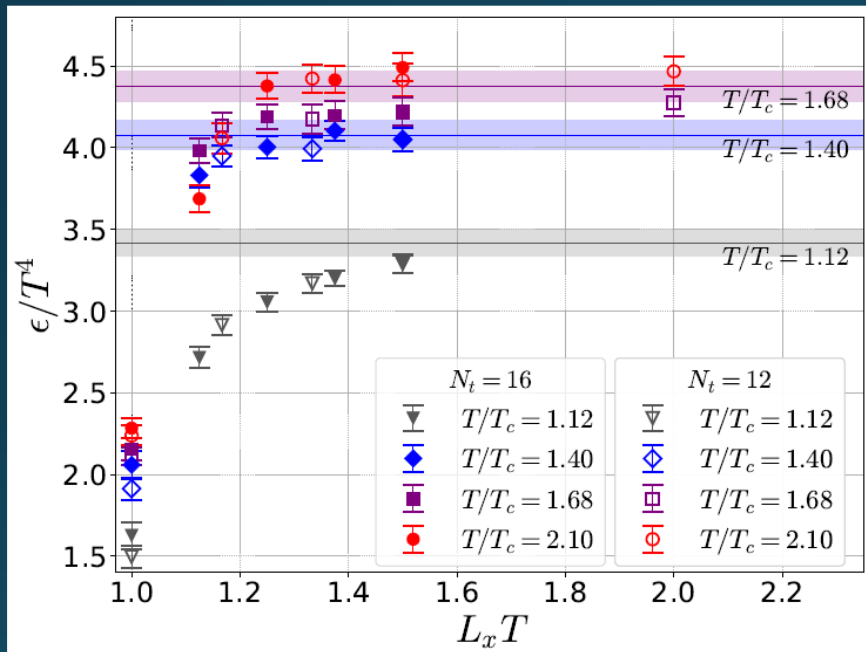
$$\langle T_{\mu\nu}(t) \rangle_{\text{latt}} = \langle T_{\mu\nu}(t) \rangle_{\text{phys}} + C_{\mu\nu} t + D_{\mu\nu}(t) \frac{a^2}{t}$$

$O(t)$  terms in SFTE lattice discretization

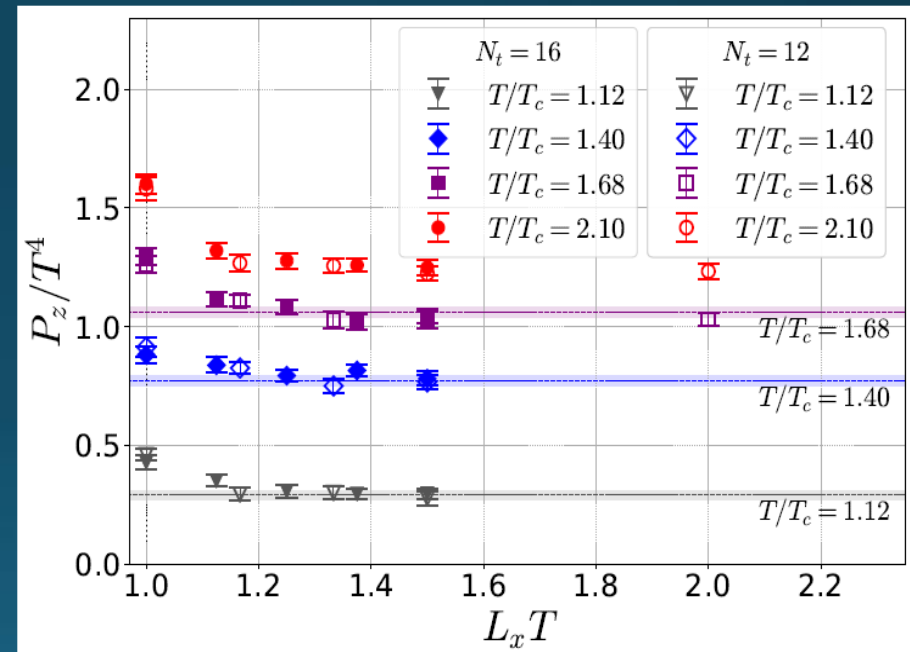


# energy density / transverse P

## Energy Density

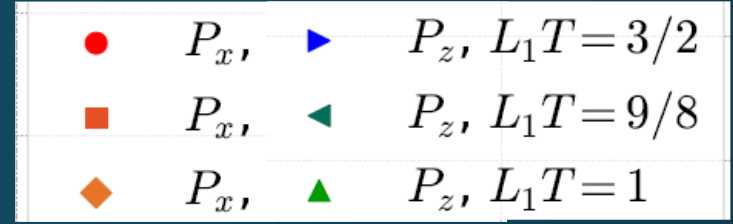
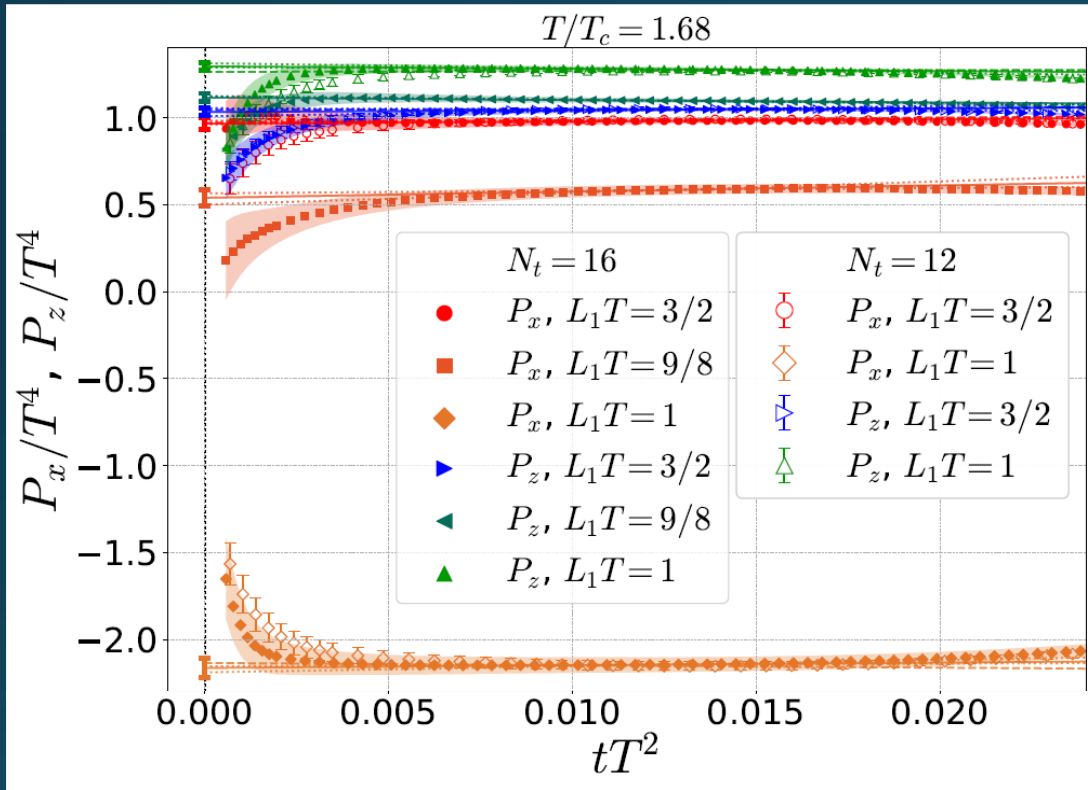


## Transverse Pressure $P_z$



# Small-t Extrapolation

$$T/T_c = 1.68$$



Filled:  $N_t=16$  / Open:  $N_t=12$

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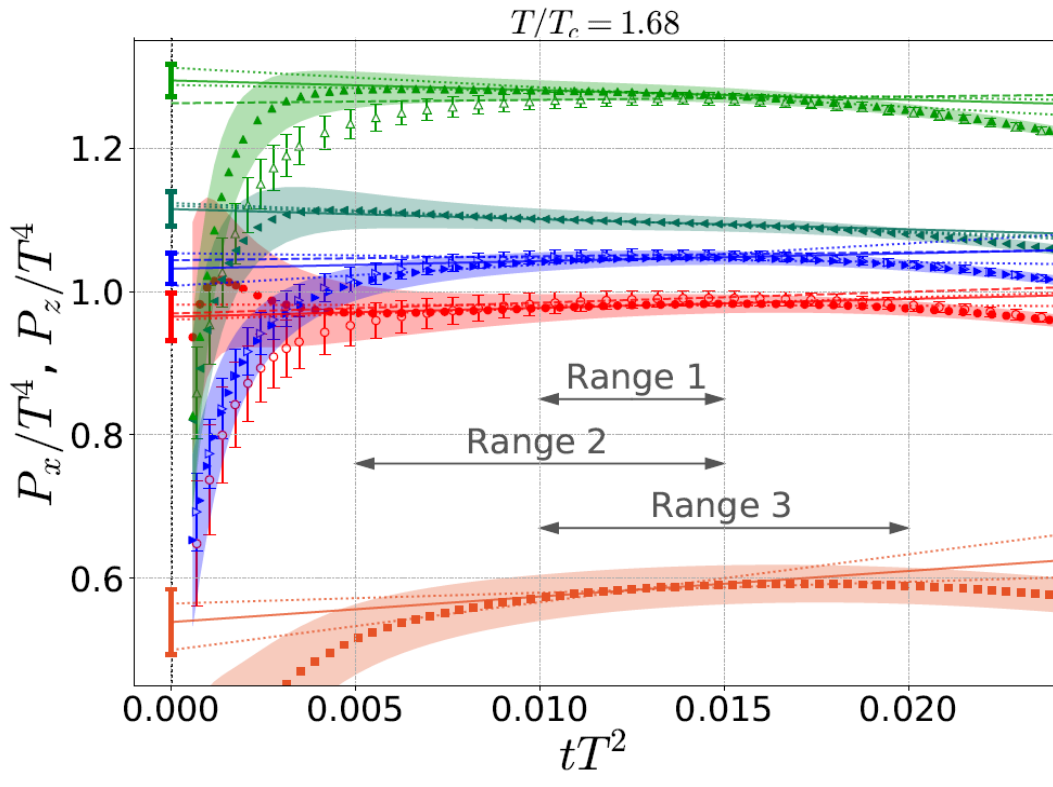
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●	$P_x$ ,	▶	$P_z, L_1 T = 3/2$
■	$P_x$ ,	◀	$P_z, L_1 T = 9/8$
◆	$P_x$ ,	▲	$P_z, L_1 T = 1$

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