



Infrared Exponents and the Strong Coupling Limit in Lattice Landau Gauge

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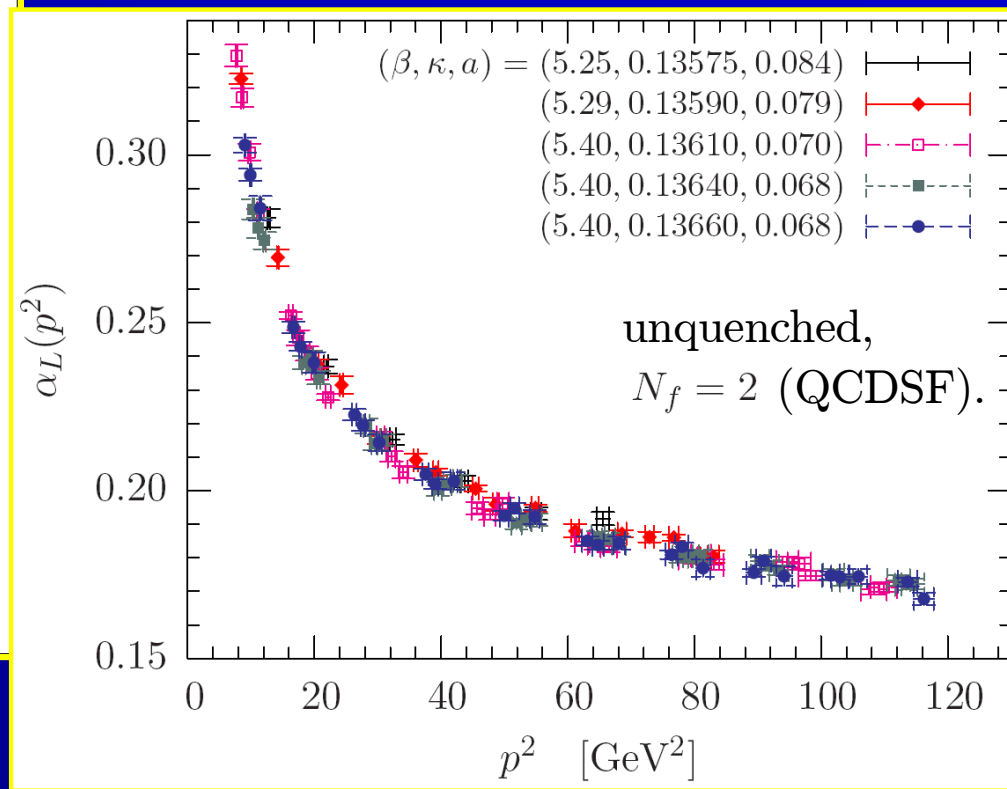
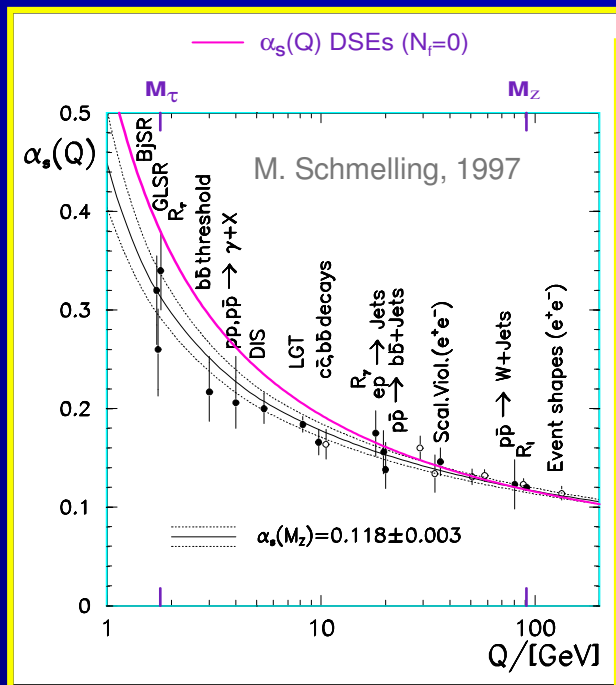
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Running Coupling

- Determine α_S from lattice Landau-gauge ghost/gluon propagators:

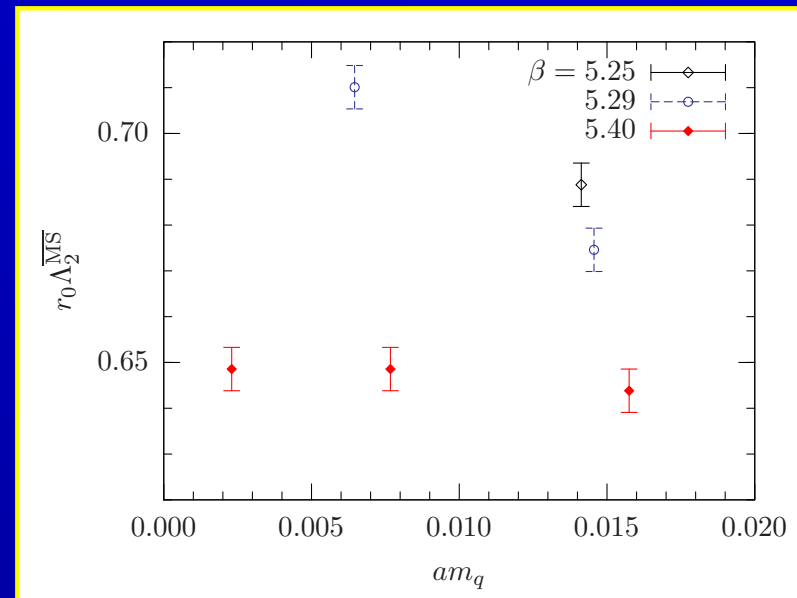
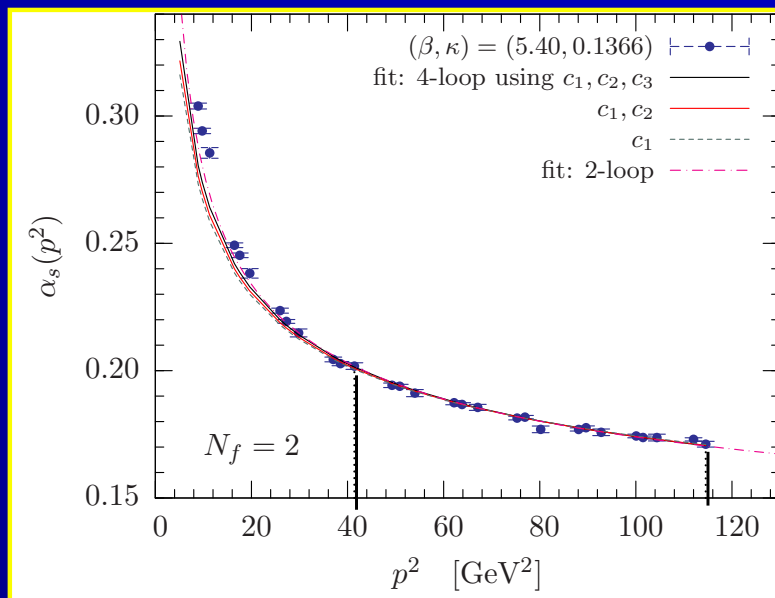
$$\alpha_S^{\text{minMOM}}(q^2) = \frac{g^2(a)}{4\pi} Z_L(q^2, a^2) G_L^2(q^2, a^2) + O(a^2)$$



A. Sternbeck, K. Maltman, L. von Smekal, A. G. Williams, E. M. Ilgenfritz and M. Müller-Preussker, PoS (LATTICE 2007) 256, arXiv:0710.2965 [hep-lat].

Running Coupling

- Minimum scheme α_s^{minMOM} known to 4 loops
(Maltman, Sternbeck, LvS, in prep):



- Compare observables in PT: [Baikov, Chetyrkin & Kühn, arXiv:0801.182 \[hep-ph\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/0801.182).

$$\begin{aligned}
 4\pi^2 D_0(Q^2) &= 1 + \frac{\alpha_s^{\overline{\text{MS}}}}{\pi} + 1.64 \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{\overline{\text{MS}}}}{\pi} \right)^2 + 6.37 \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{\overline{\text{MS}}}}{\pi} \right)^3 + 49.1 \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{\overline{\text{MS}}}}{\pi} \right)^4 + \dots \\
 &= 1 + \frac{\alpha_s^{\text{mM}}}{\pi} - 1.05 \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{\text{mM}}}{\pi} \right)^2 - 4.82 \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{\text{mM}}}{\pi} \right)^3 + 3.13 \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{\text{mM}}}{\pi} \right)^4 + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

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- Landau Gauge QCD Propagators (DSEs, lattice LG,...).
- Strong Coupling Limit in Lattice Landau Gauge.
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Gluon Propagator

Lattice:

Leinweber *et al.*, 1998

DSEs:

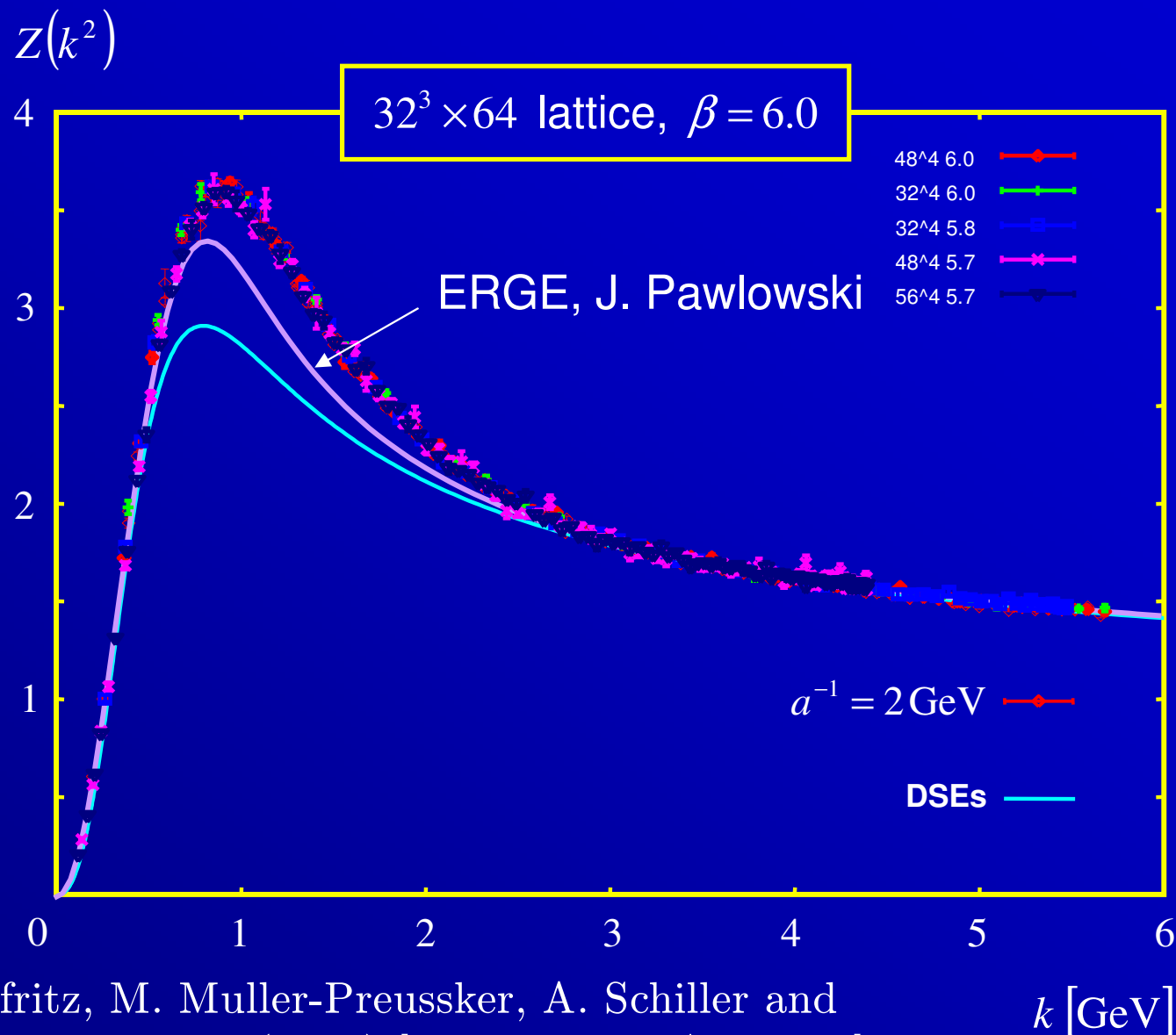
$$\frac{Z(k^2)}{k^2} \stackrel{k^2 \rightarrow 0}{\propto} \frac{1}{k^2} \left(\frac{k^2}{\sigma} \right)^{2\kappa}$$

$\rightarrow 0, \quad 0.5 < \kappa < 1$

L.v.S. *et al.*, 1997

Lerche & L.v.S., 2002

Fischer & Alkofer, 2002



A. Sternbeck, E. M. Ilgenfritz, M. Muller-Preussker, A. Schiller and
I. L. Bogolubsky, PoS **LAT2006**, 076 (2006) [arXiv:hep-lat/0610053].

Running Coupling

$$\alpha(k^2) = \frac{g^2}{4\pi} Z(k^2) G^2(k^2)$$

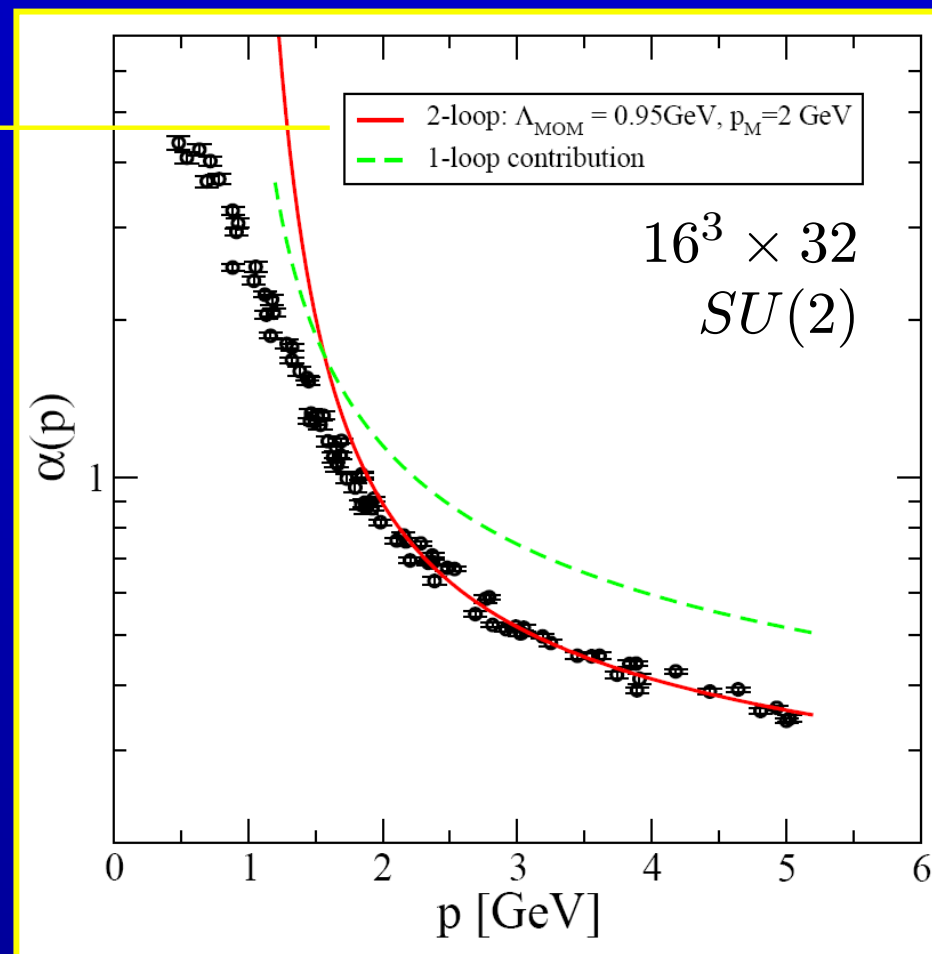
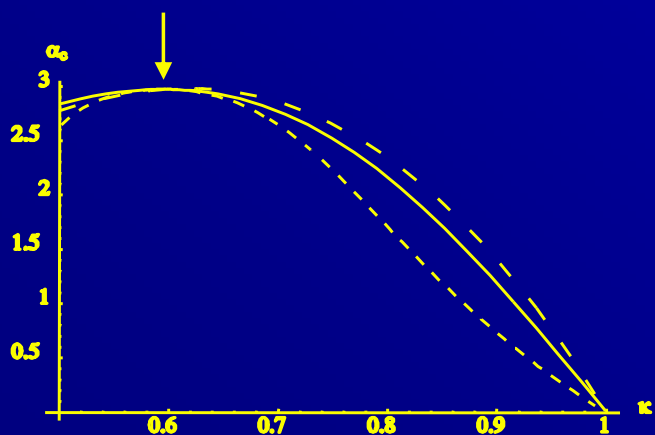
$$\rightarrow \alpha_c, \quad k^2 \rightarrow 0$$

L.v.S. et al., 1997

$$\alpha_c = \frac{4\pi}{N_c I(\kappa)} = 4.46\dots, \quad N_c = 2$$

Lerche & L.v.S., 2002

$$\alpha_c = 2.97\dots, \quad N_c = 3$$



J. C. R. Bloch, A. Cucchieri, K. Langfeld and T. Mendes, Nucl. Phys. B **687** (2004) 76.

Infrared Dominance of Ghosts

Ghost Propagator

Lattice:

Suman & Schilling, 1996

DSEs:

$$-\frac{G(k^2)}{k^2} \stackrel{k^2 \rightarrow 0}{\sim} -\frac{1}{k^2}$$

L.v.S. et al., 1997

$$0.5 < \kappa < 1$$

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- DSEs: Lerche & L.v.S., PRD 65 (2002) 125006.
- Stochastic Quantisation:
Zwanziger, PRD 65 (2002) 094039.
- ERGEs: Pawłowski, Litim, Nedelko,
& L.v.S., PRL 93 (2004) 152002.

$$\kappa = 0.595\dots, \quad \alpha_c = \frac{4\pi}{N_c I(\kappa)} = 2.972\dots, \quad N_c = 3$$

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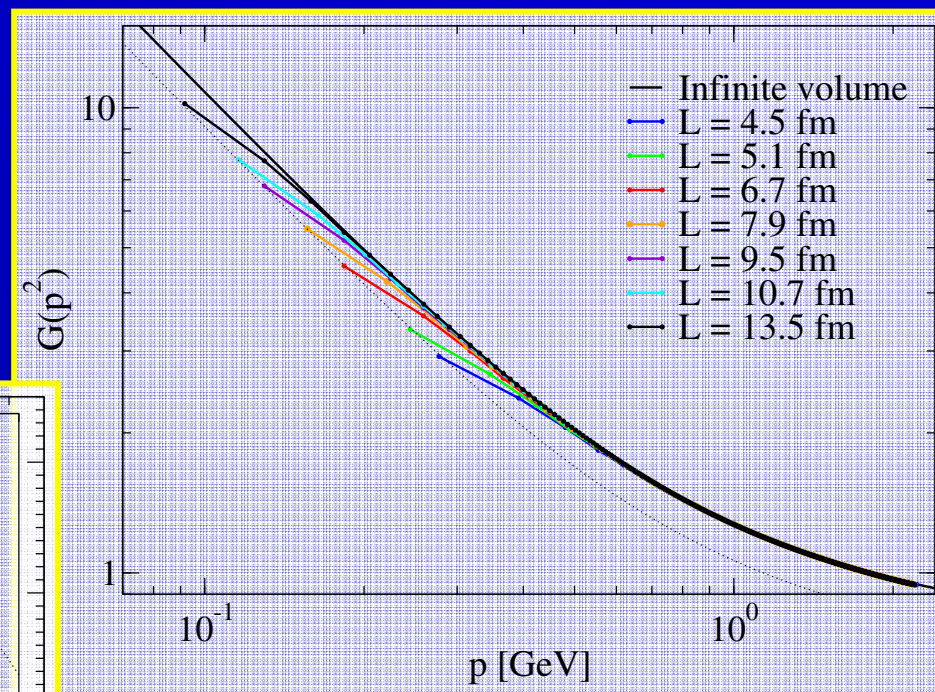
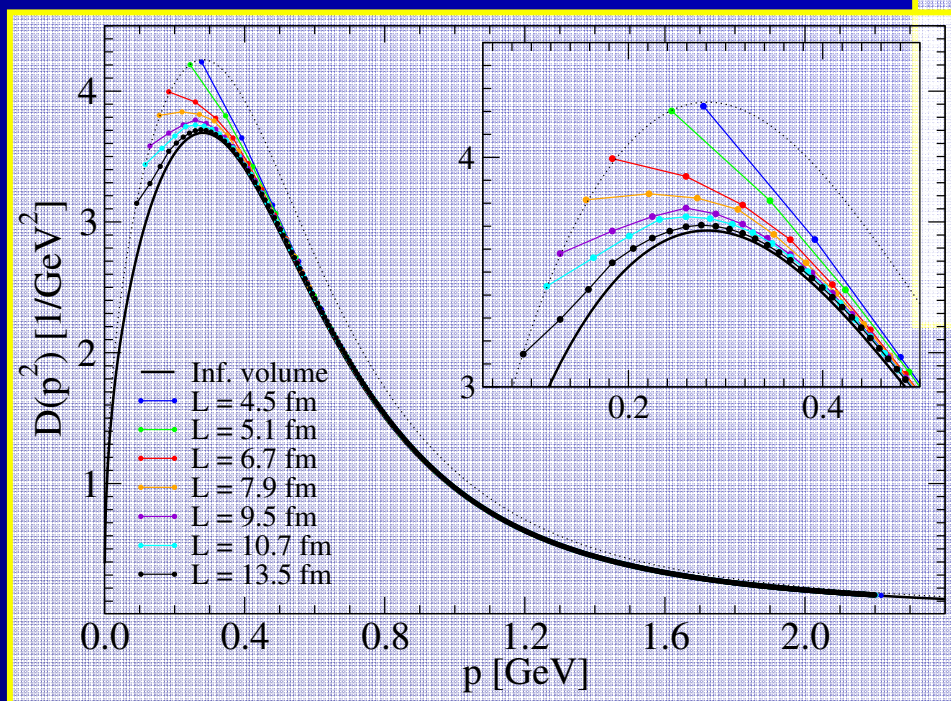
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$x = k^2 a^2$, with $a^{-1} = 2$ GeV

Finite Volume DSE Solutions

gluon

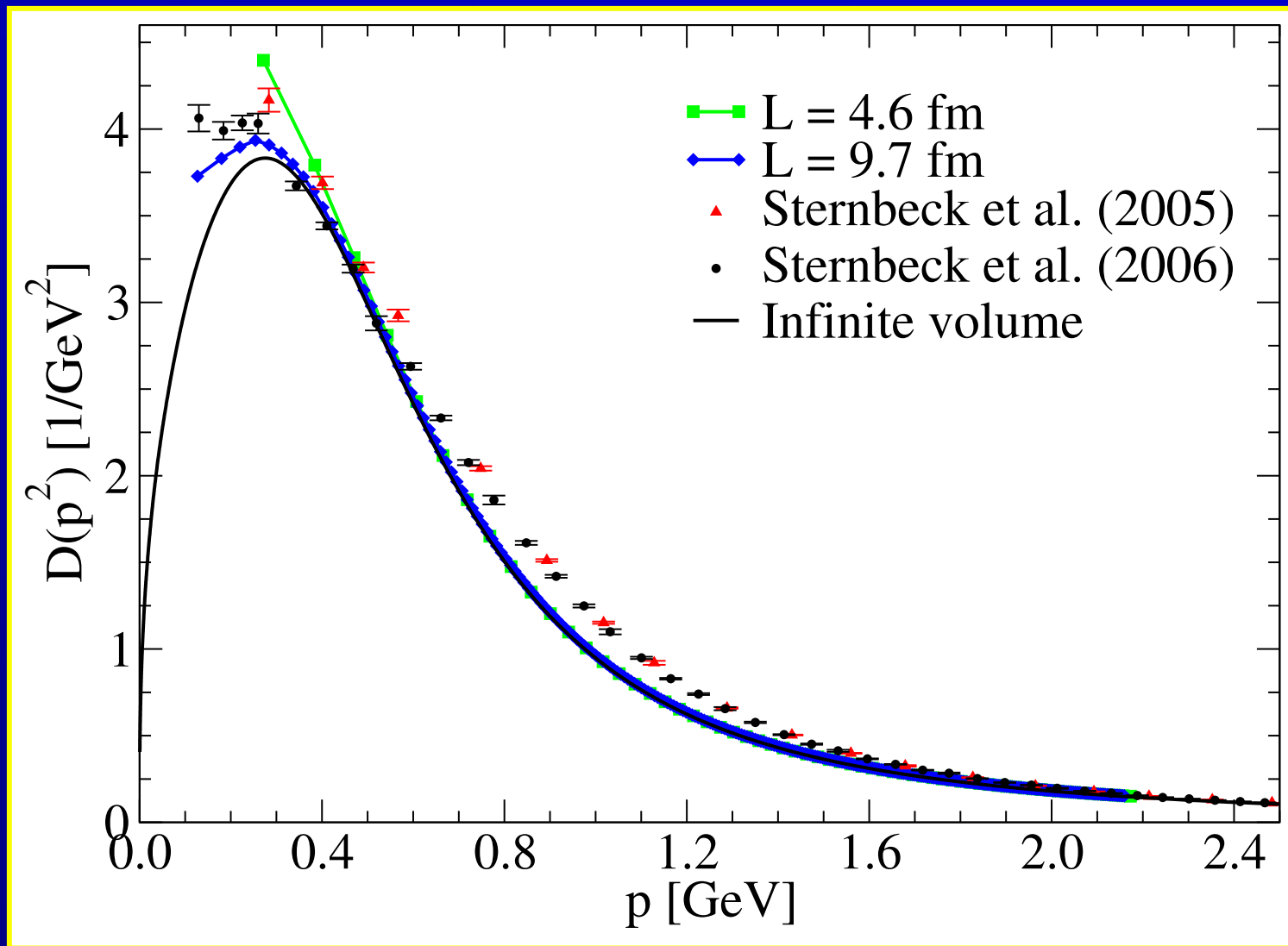


ghost

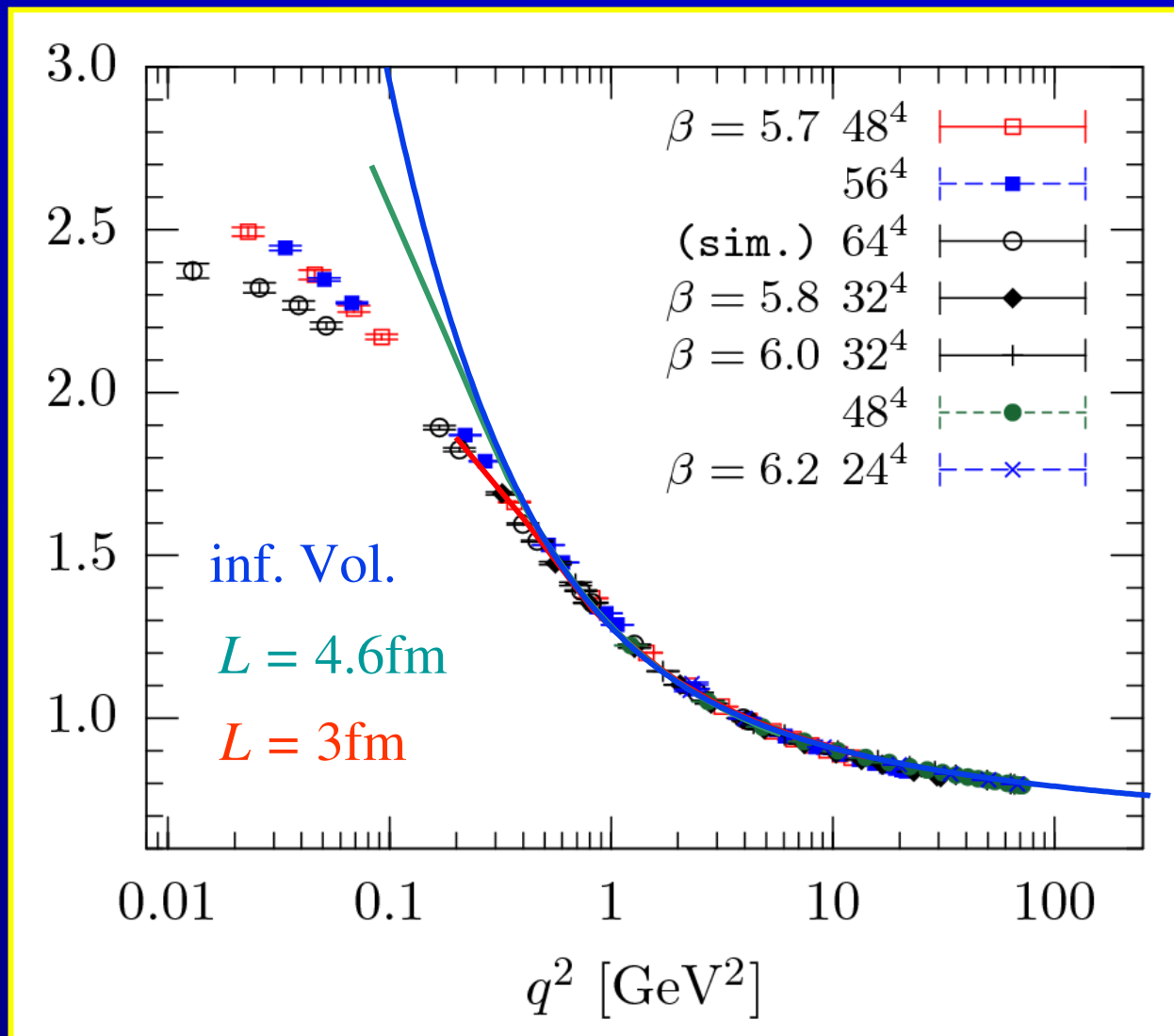
need: $\pi/L \ll p \ll \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

Fischer, Maas, Pawłowski & L.v.S., Ann. Phys. **322** (2007) 2916.

Gluon Propagator



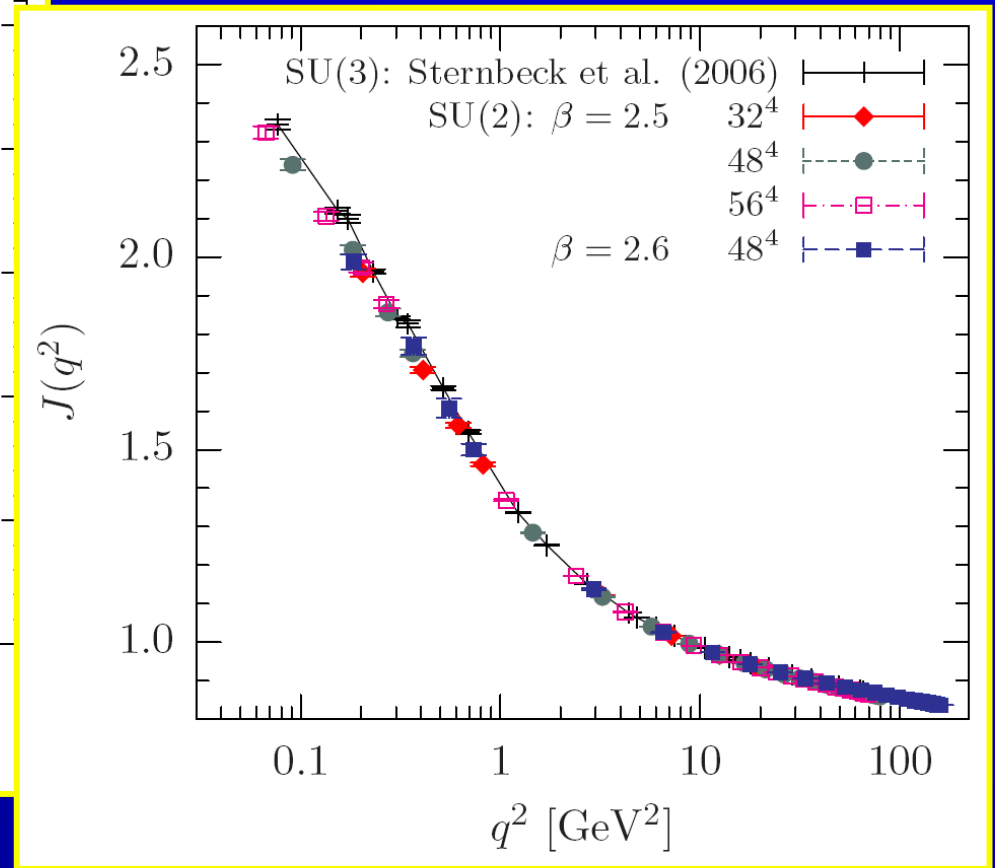
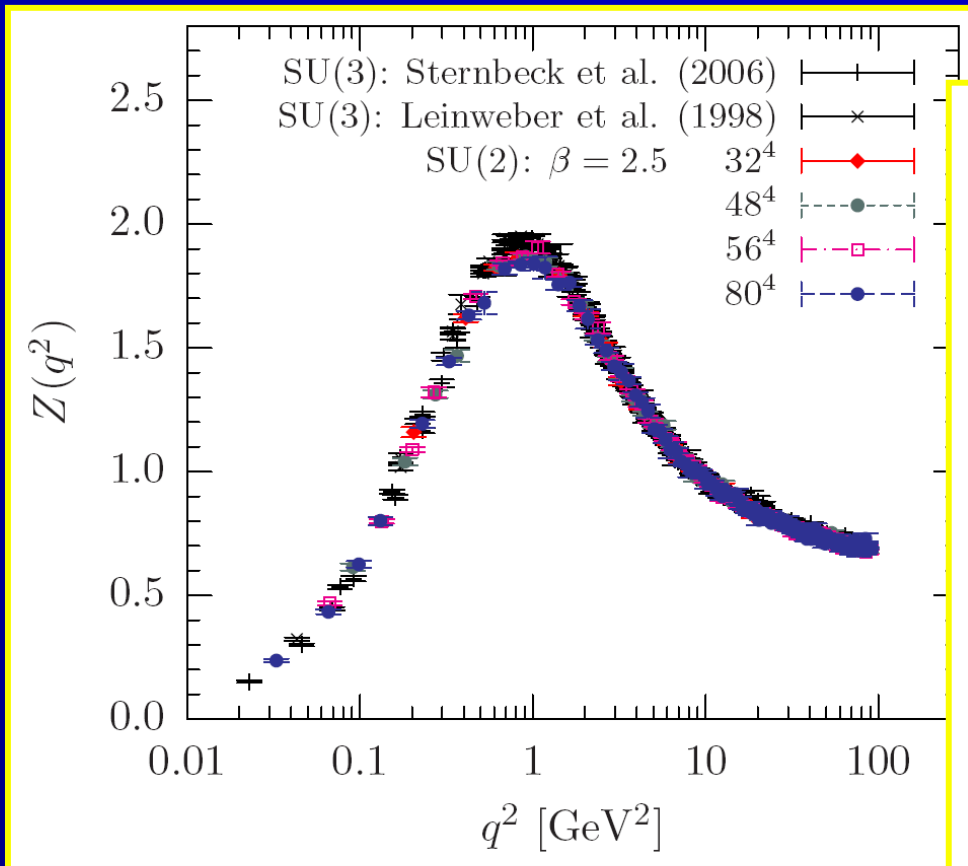
Ghost Propagator



Sternbeck *et al.*, Adelaide–Berlin–Moscow, unpublished (preliminary).

$SU(3)$ vs $SU(2)$

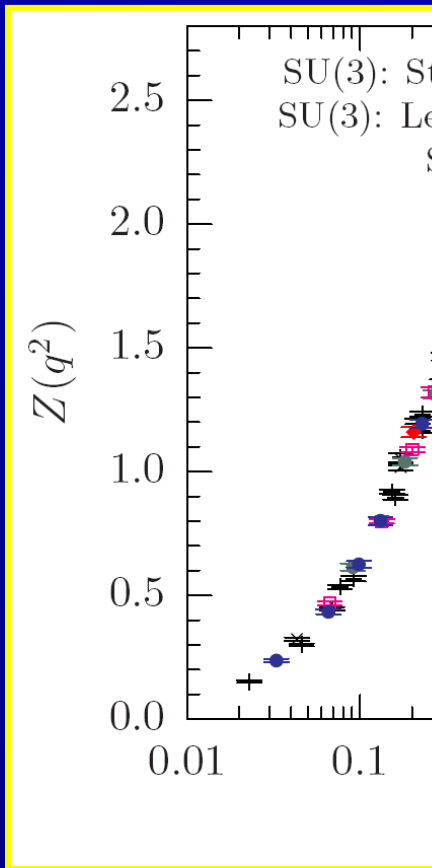
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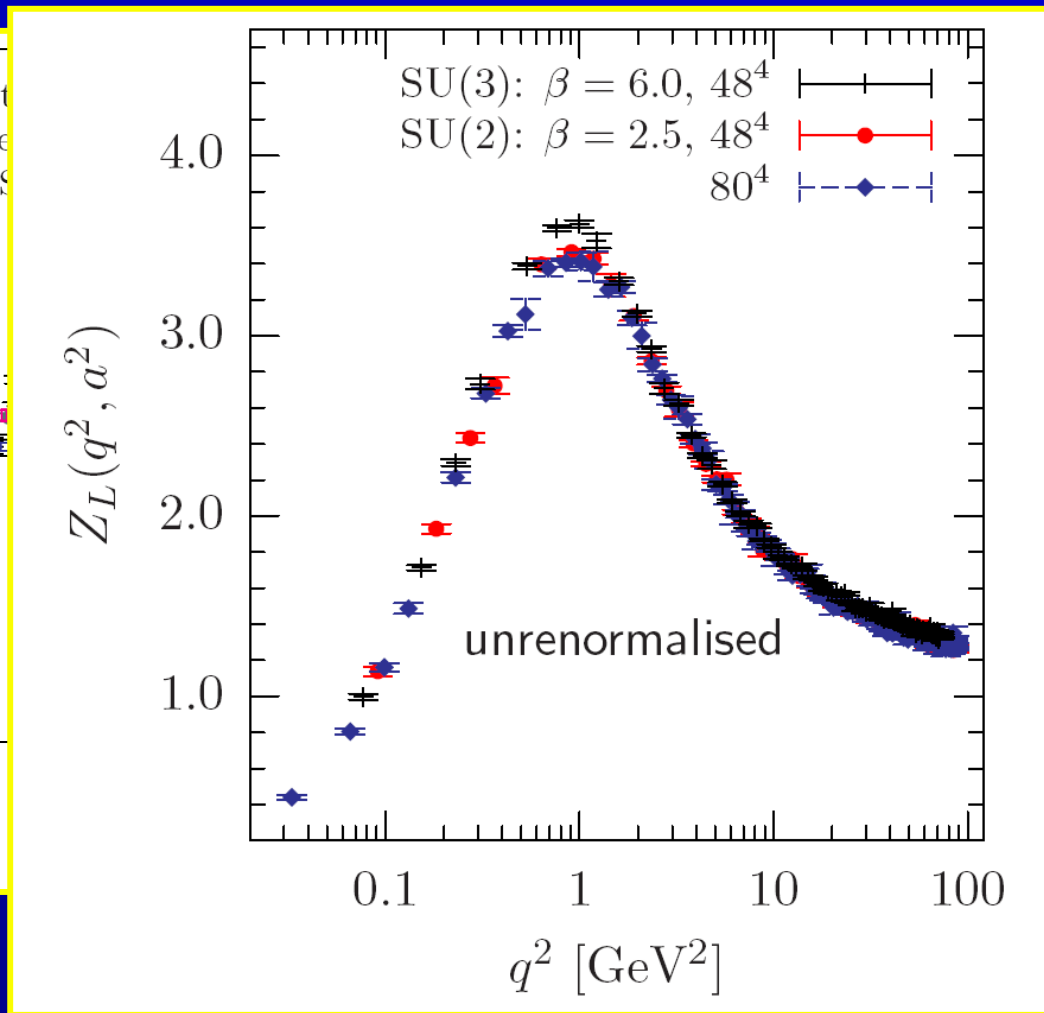
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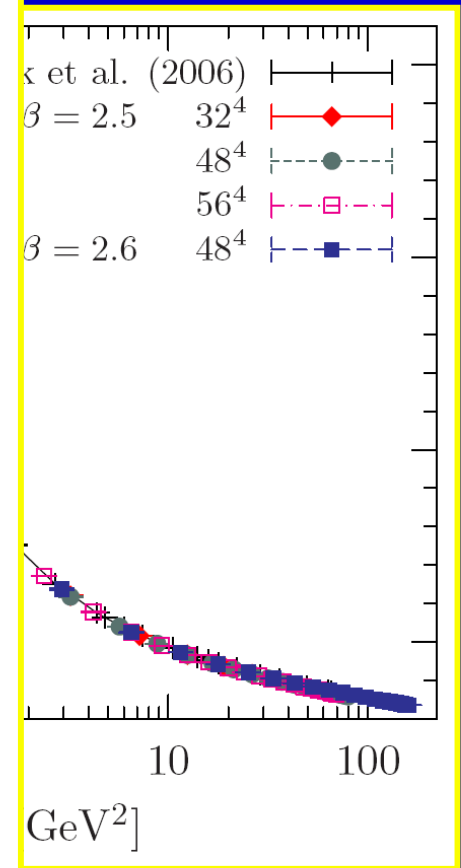
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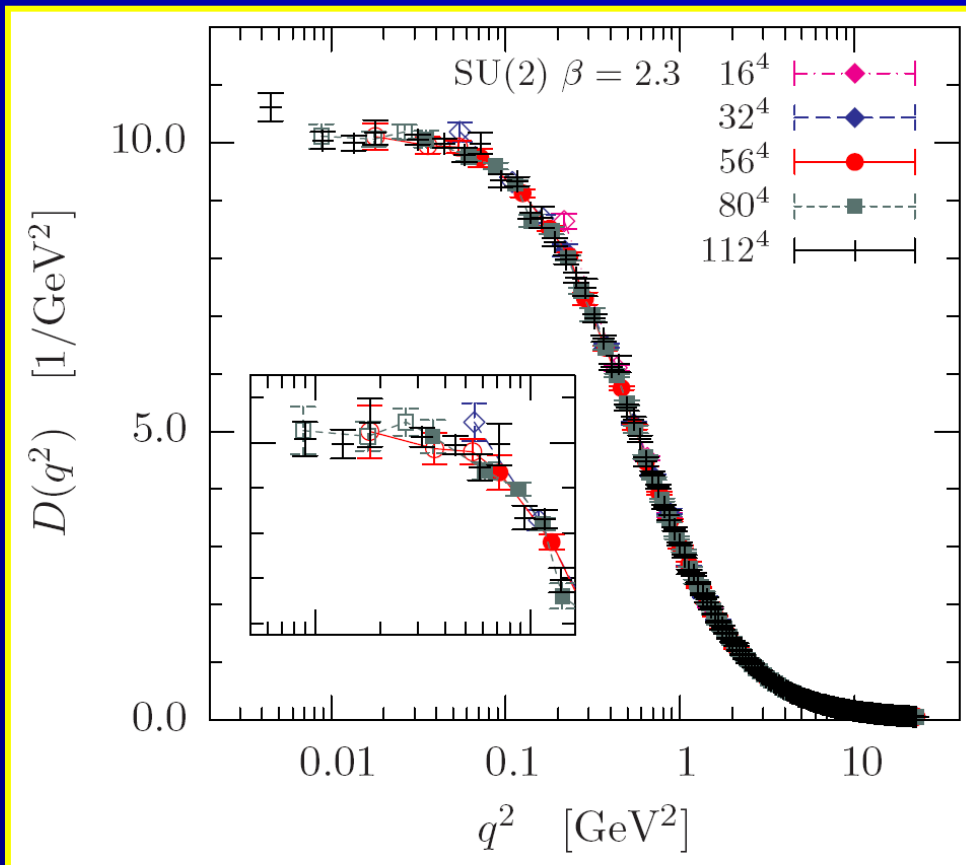


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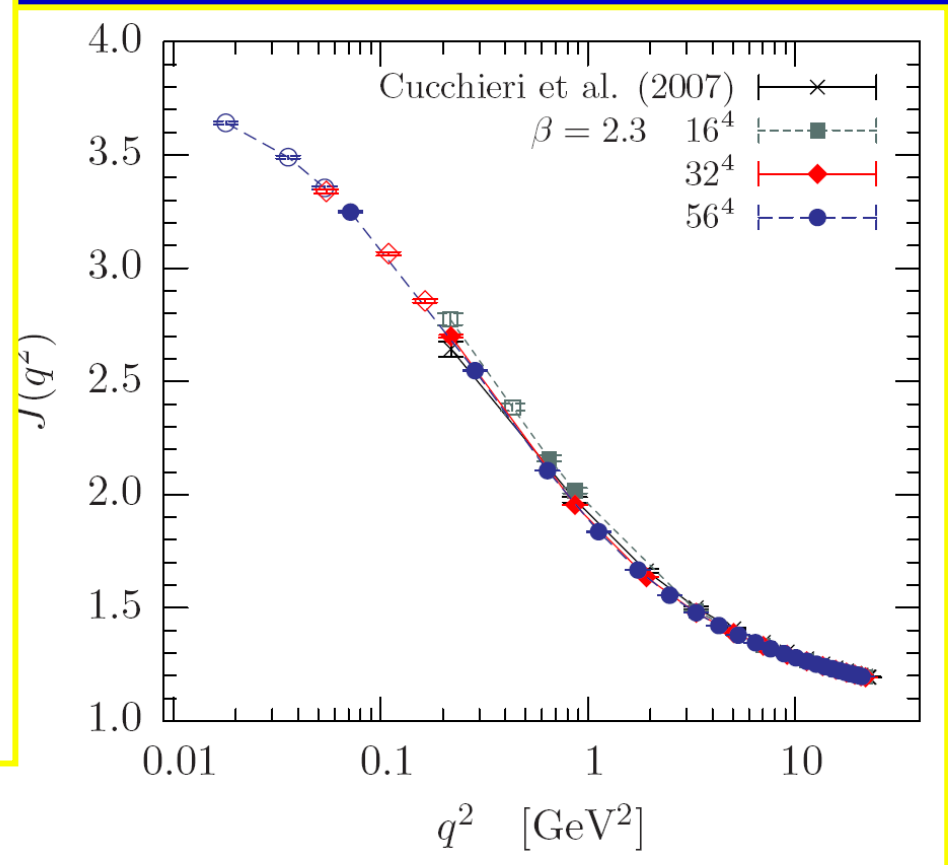
$SU(2)$ Propagators volume dependence

fixed β , unrenormalised.

ghost

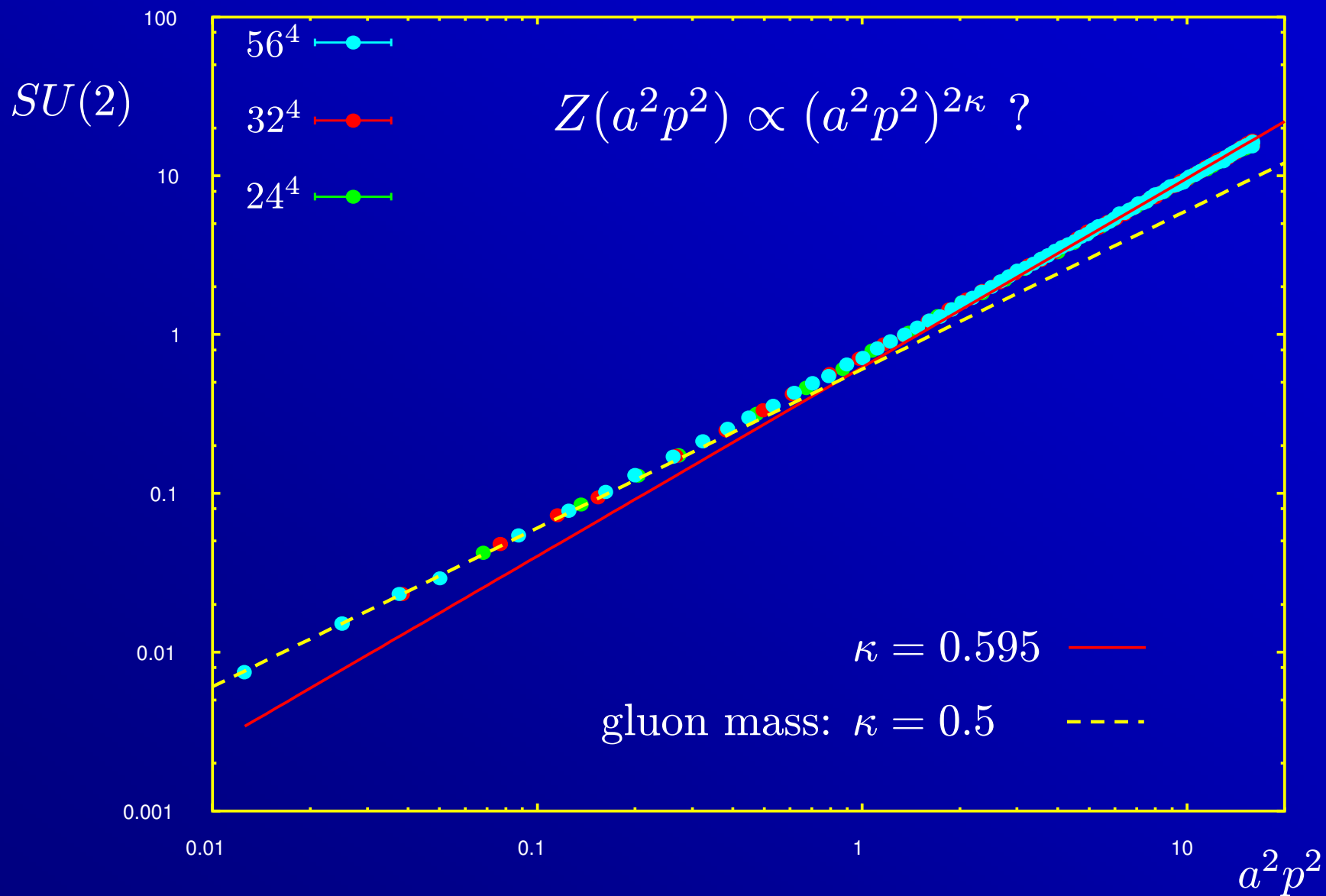


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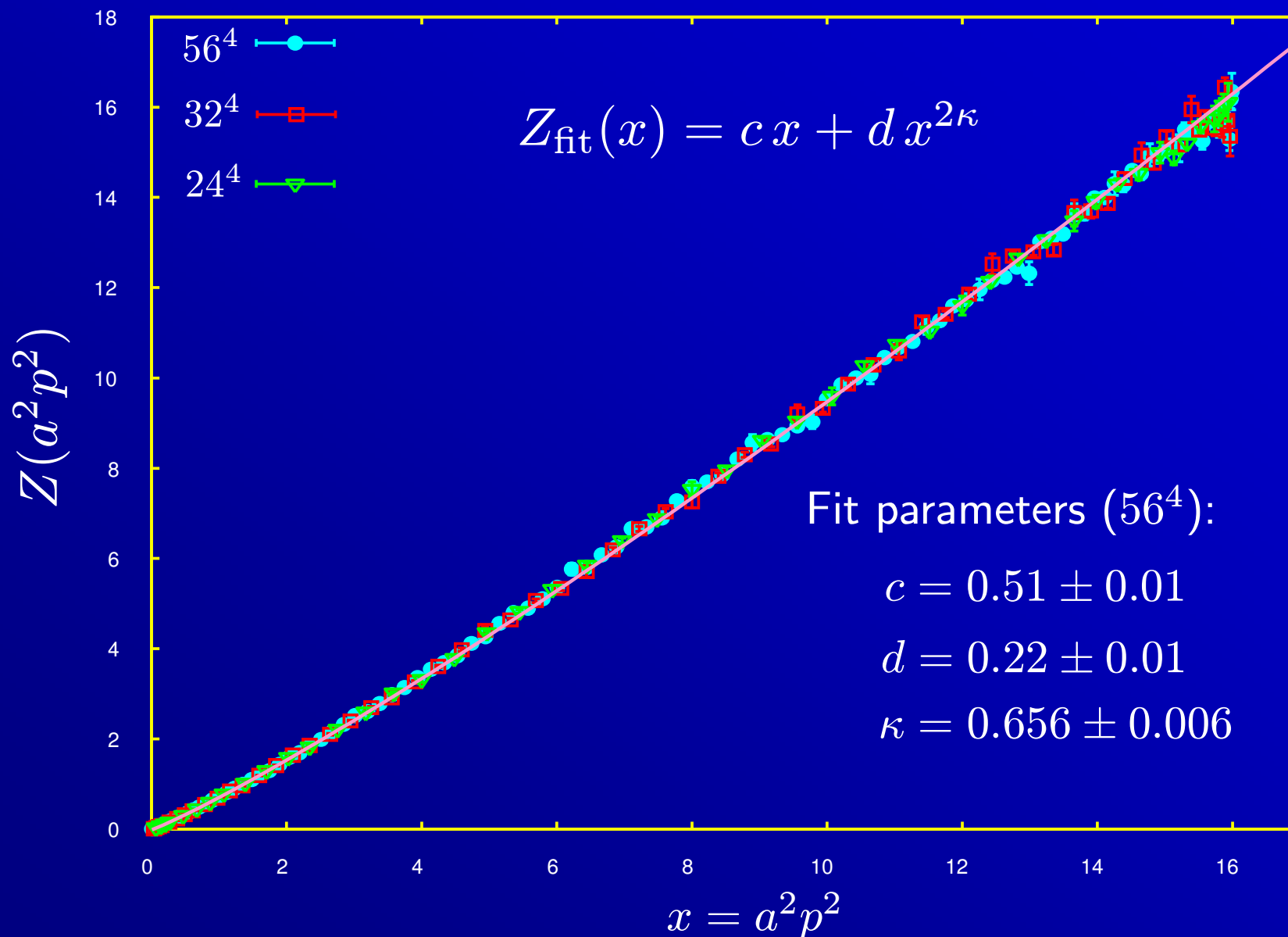


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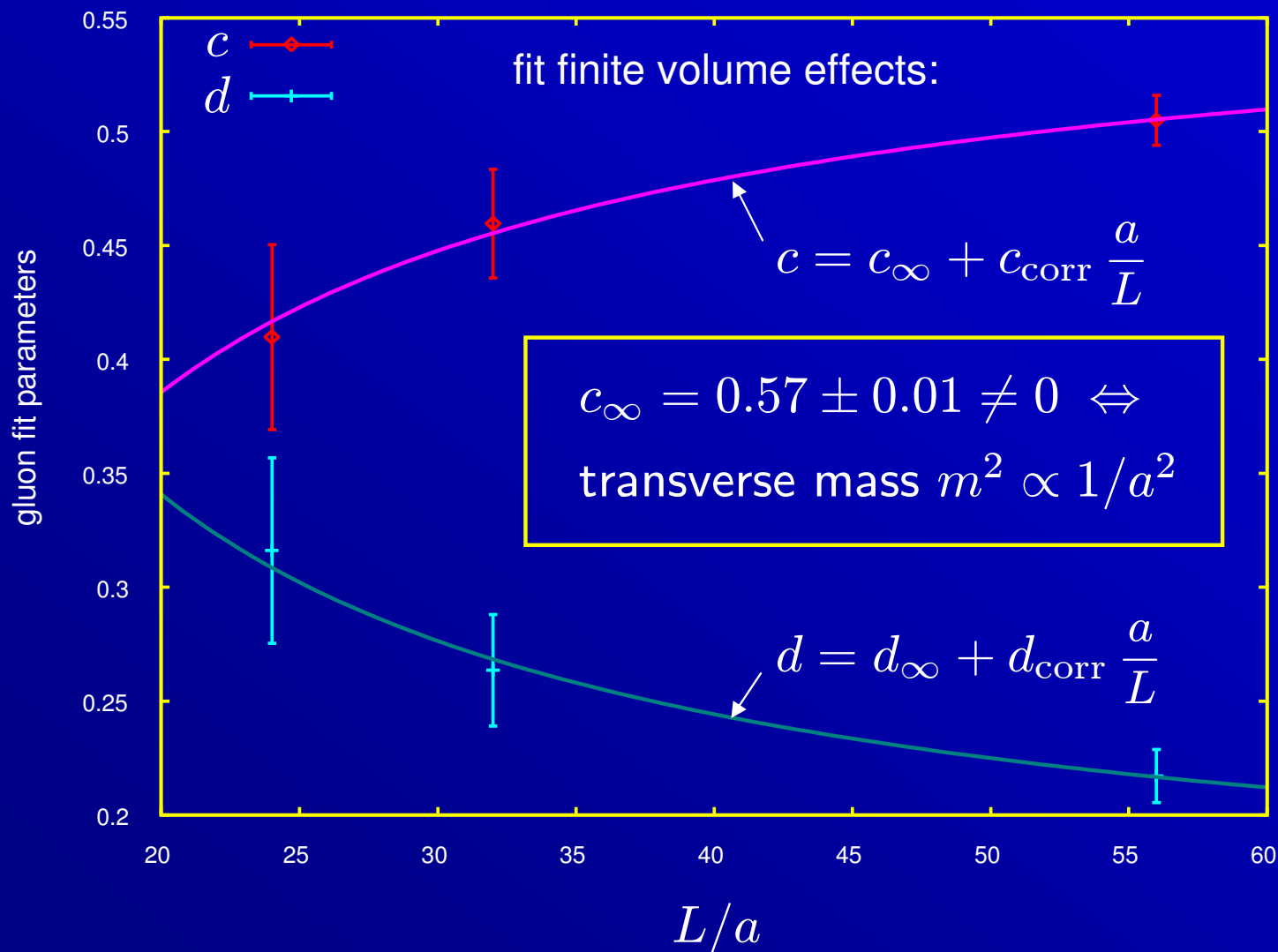


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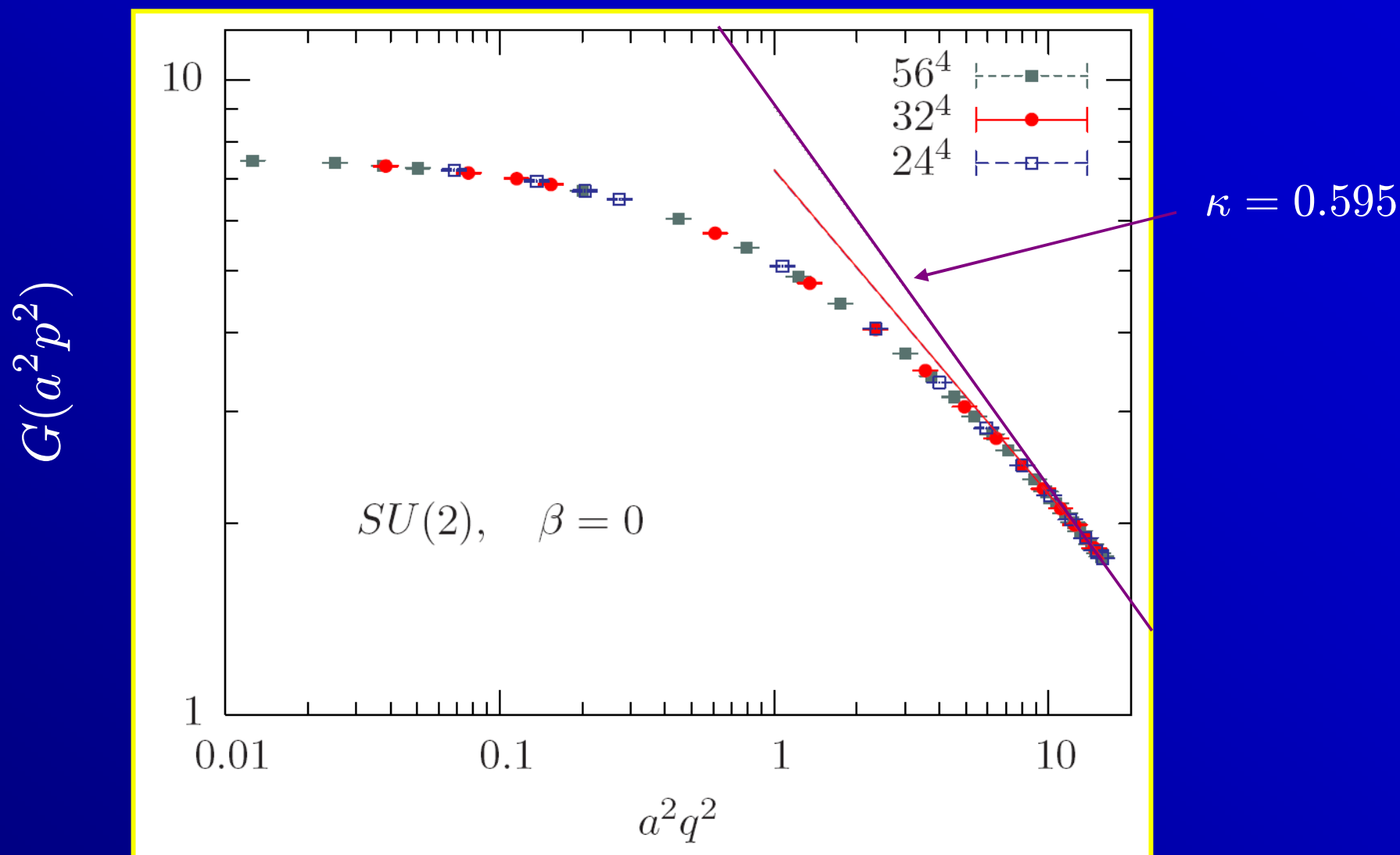


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$$Z_{\text{fit}}(x) = c x + d x^{2\kappa}, \quad x = a^2 p^2$$

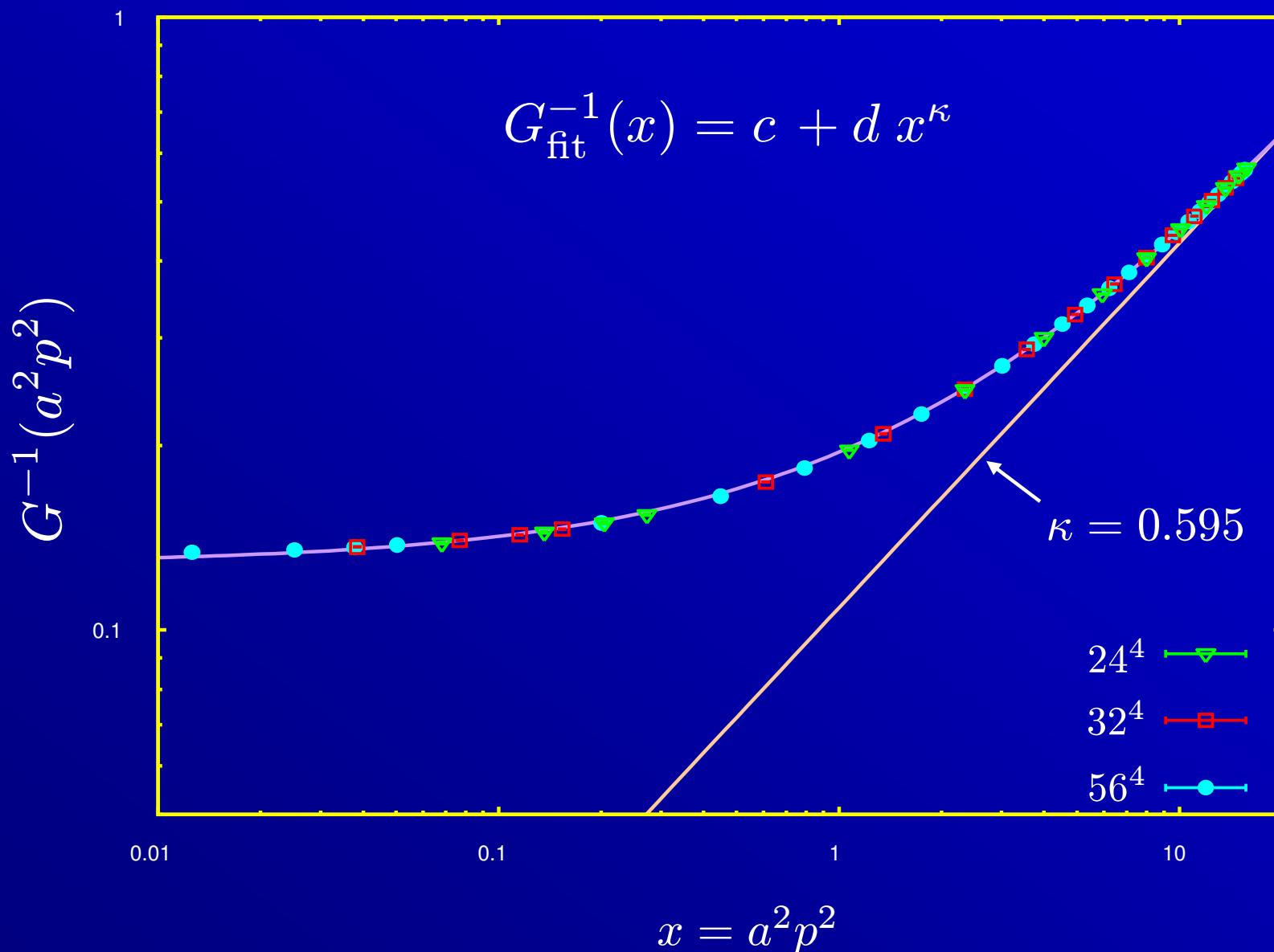


$\beta = 0$ — Ghost Propagator

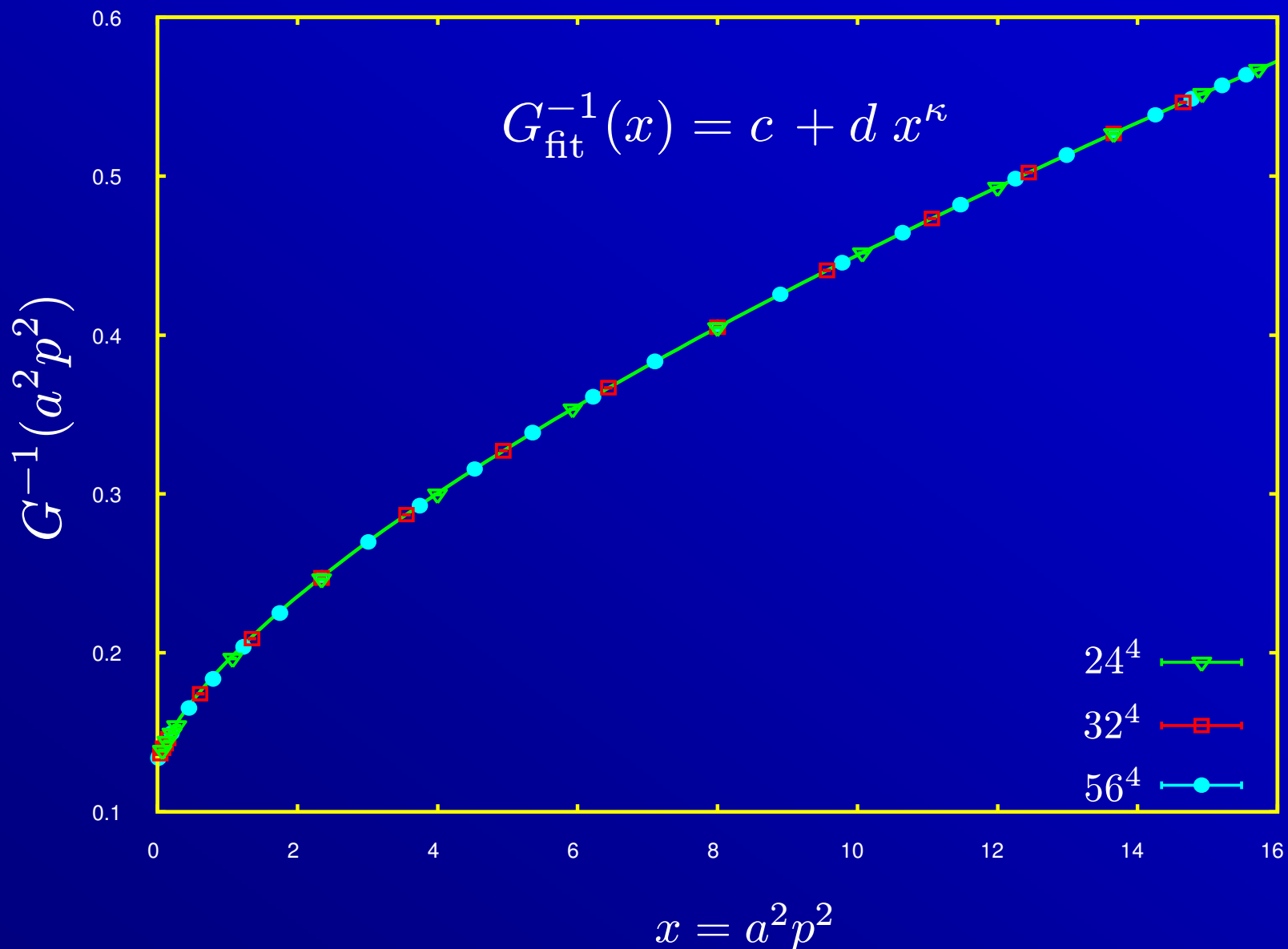


Not a finite volume effect!

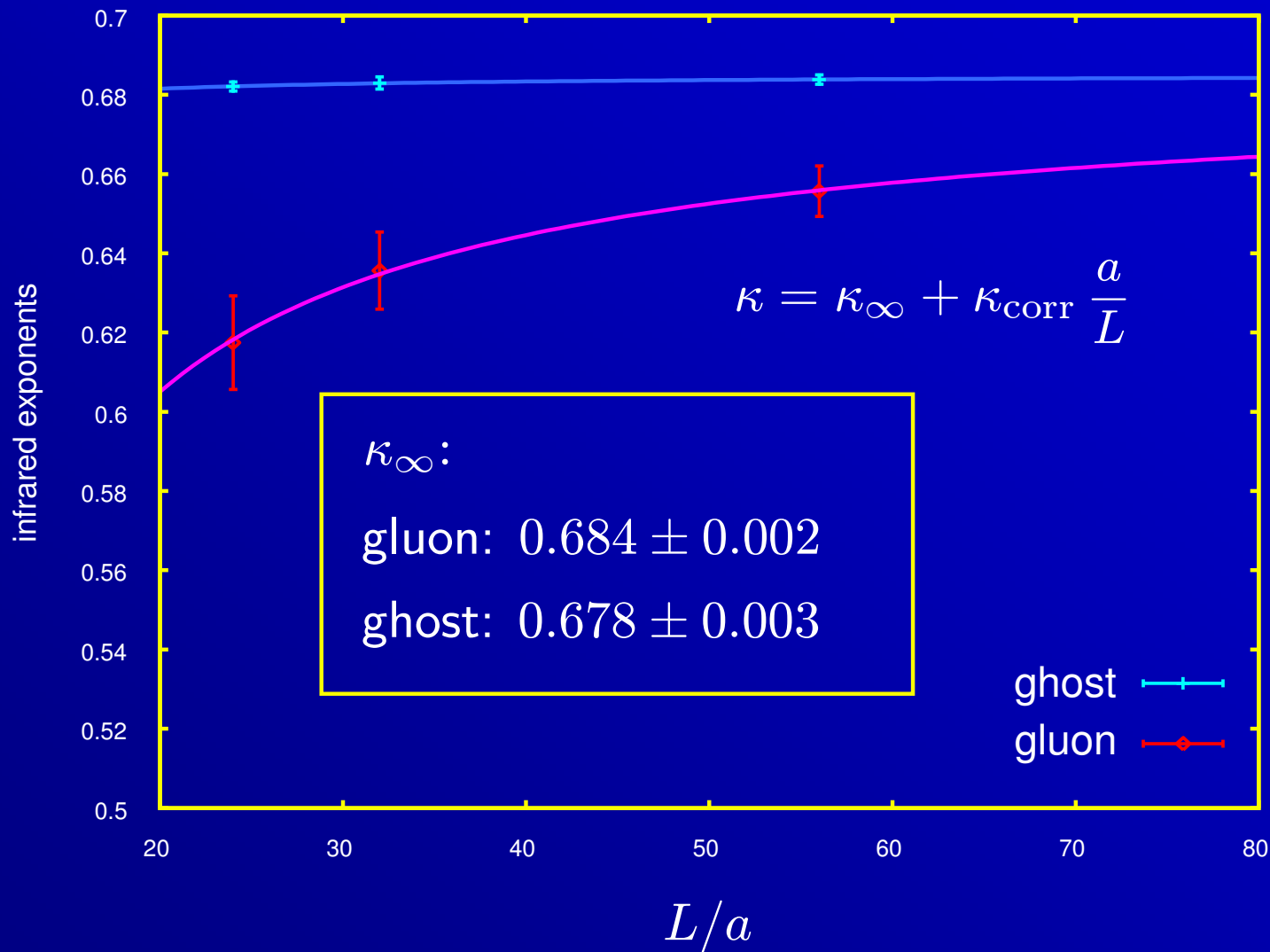
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- alternative fit models:

$$Z_{\text{fit}}(x) = cx + dx^{2\kappa},$$

$$G_{\text{fit}}^{-1}(x) = c + dx^\kappa,$$

$$x = a^2 p^2$$

$$Z_{\text{fit}}(x) = cx(1 + dx)^{2\kappa-1},$$

$$G_{\text{fit}}^{-1}(x) = c(1 + dx)^\kappa,$$

$$x = a^2 p^2$$

κ_∞ :

gluon: 0.684 ± 0.002

ghost: 0.678 ± 0.003

κ_∞ :

gluon: 0.571 ± 0.001

ghost: 0.569 ± 0.006

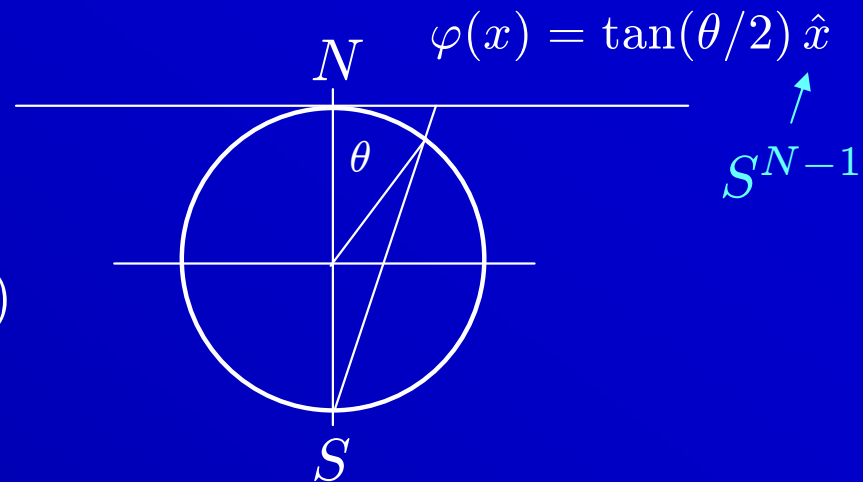
- in either case : $\kappa_{\text{gluon}} = \kappa_{\text{ghost}}$

Stereographic Projection

- Consider S^N

with φ :

$$(x_1, \dots, x_{N+1}) \mapsto \frac{1}{1 + x_{N+1}} (x_1, \dots, x_N)$$



- Example $SU(2)$:

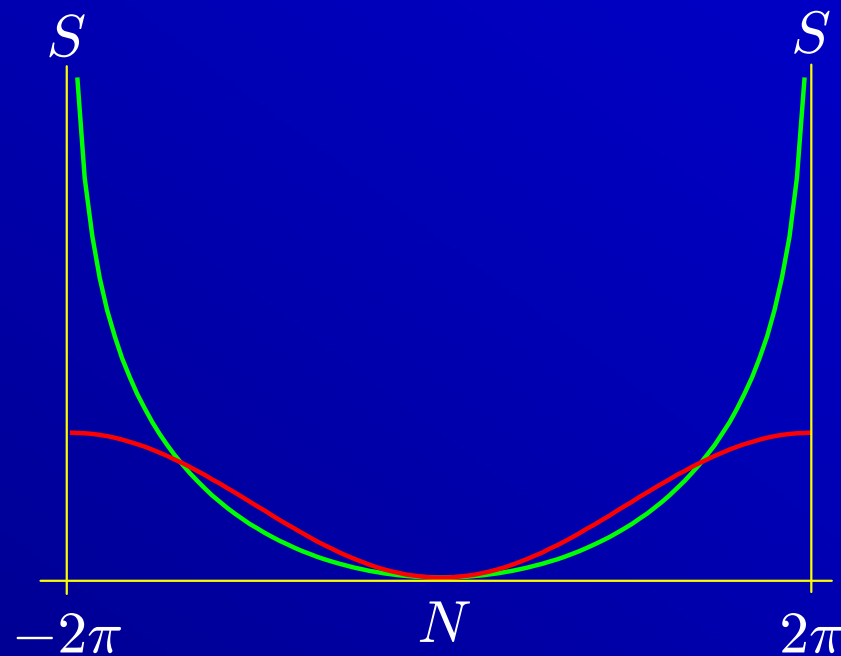
replace

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} U^g \rightarrow \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} U^g \right)$$

in sum over links of
gauge-fixing potential,

suppresses South pole!

\rightsquigarrow modified Landau gauge



Modified Lattice Landau Gauge

- Compact $U(1)$:

links $U = e^{i\phi}$, with g.t. $\phi^\theta = \phi + d\theta$

standard Morse potential: $V[U^\theta] = \sum_{\text{links}} \cos \phi^\theta$

Landau gauge: $0 = F_i(\phi^\theta) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} V = \sum_{\mu} (\sin \phi_{i,\mu}^\theta - \sin \phi_{i-\hat{\mu},\mu}^\theta)$

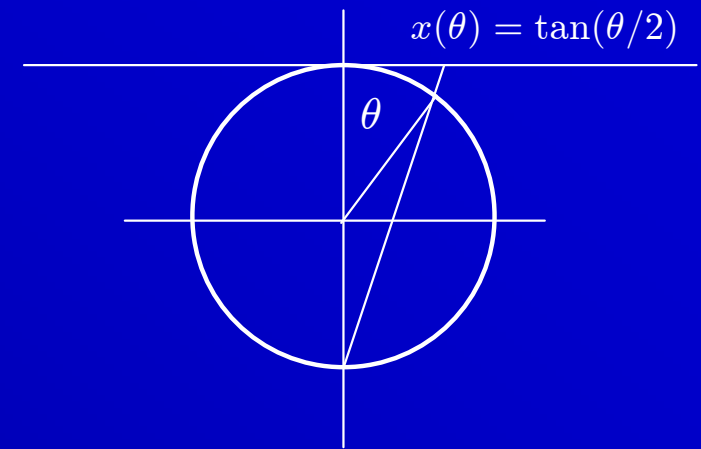
However,

$$Z_{gf} = \int \prod_{\text{sites}} d[\theta, \bar{c}, c, b] \exp \left\{ - \sum_i s \left(\bar{c}_i (F_i(\phi^\theta) - i \frac{\xi}{2} b_i) \right) \right\} = 0$$

$$\chi(S^{1 \times \#\text{sites}}) = \chi(S^1)^{\#\text{sites}} = 0^{\#\text{sites}}$$

Modified Lattice Landau Gauge

- Use stereographic projection:



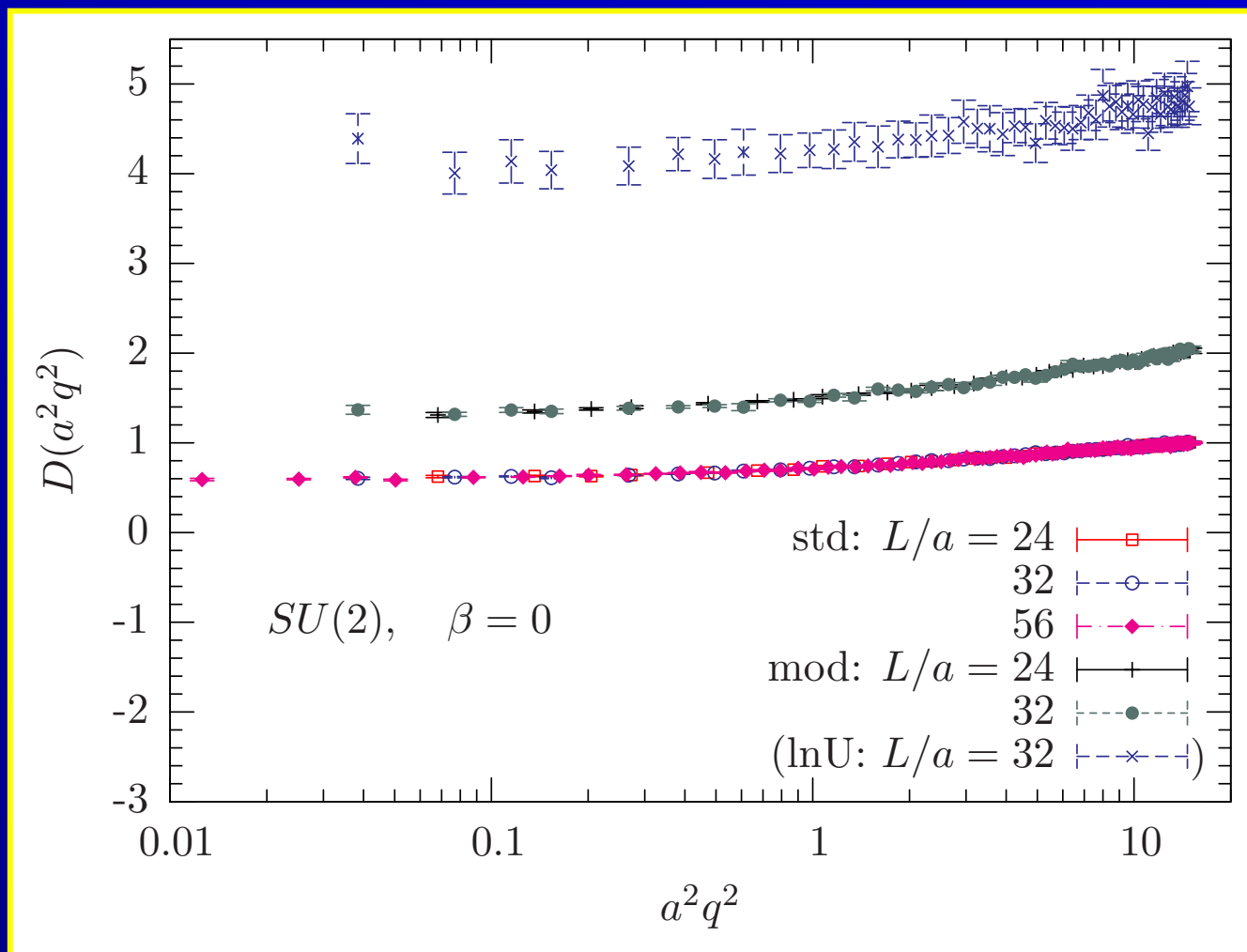
Morse potential:
$$V[U^\theta] = \sum_{\text{links}} \ln (1 + \cos \phi^\theta)$$

and
$$F_i(\phi^\theta) = \sum_{\mu} (\tan(\phi_{i,\mu}^\theta/2) - \tan(\phi_{i-\hat{\mu},\mu}^\theta/2))$$

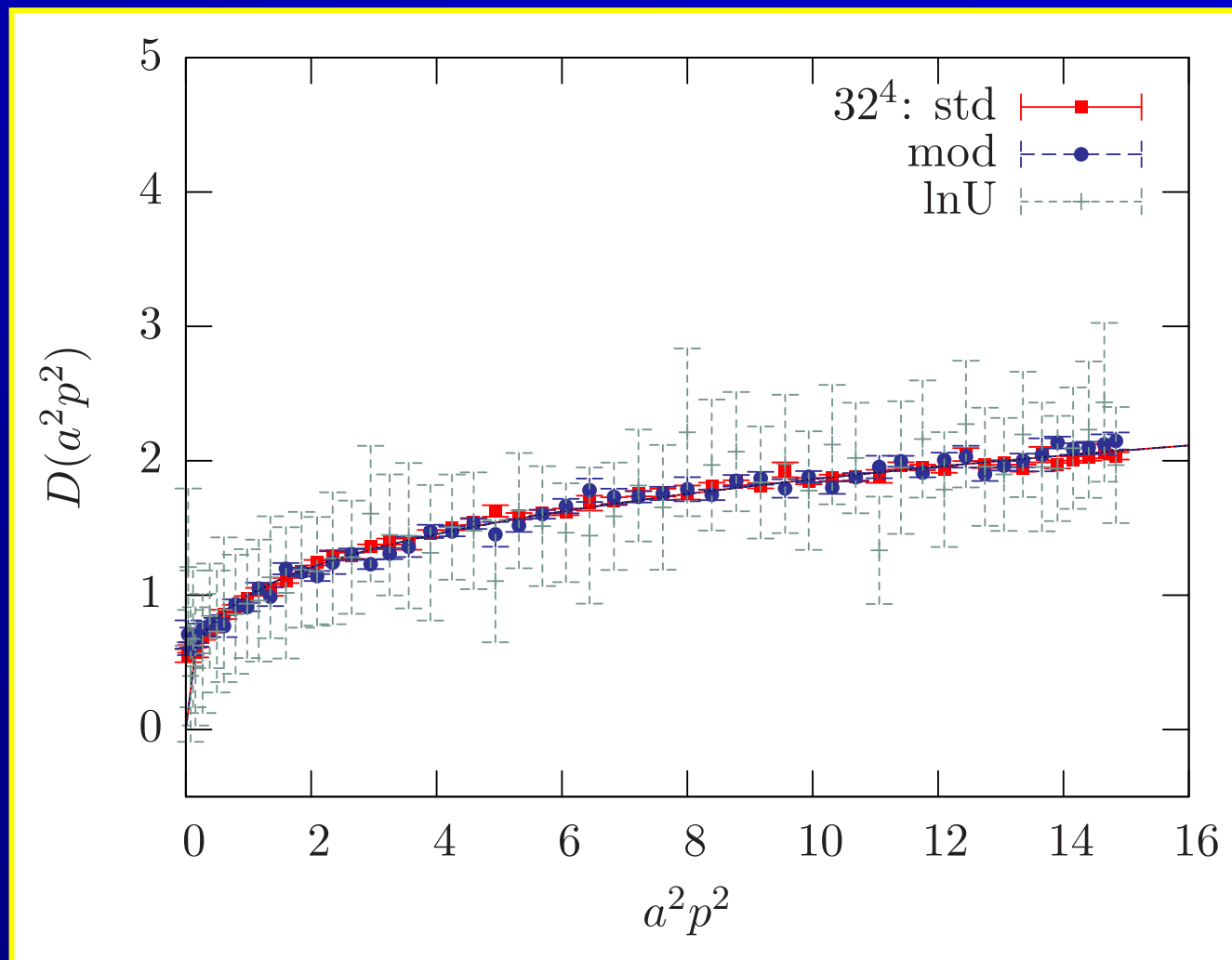
Explicitly worked out in 1-dim (eliminates all Gribov copies)
and ≥ 2 -dim (all but minima, 1st Gribov region) compact $U(1)$.

L. von Smekal, D. Mehta, A. Sternbeck and A. G. Williams,
PoS (LATTICE 2007) 382, arXiv:0710.2410 [hep-lat].

$SU(2)$ Gluon Propagator – $\beta = 0$



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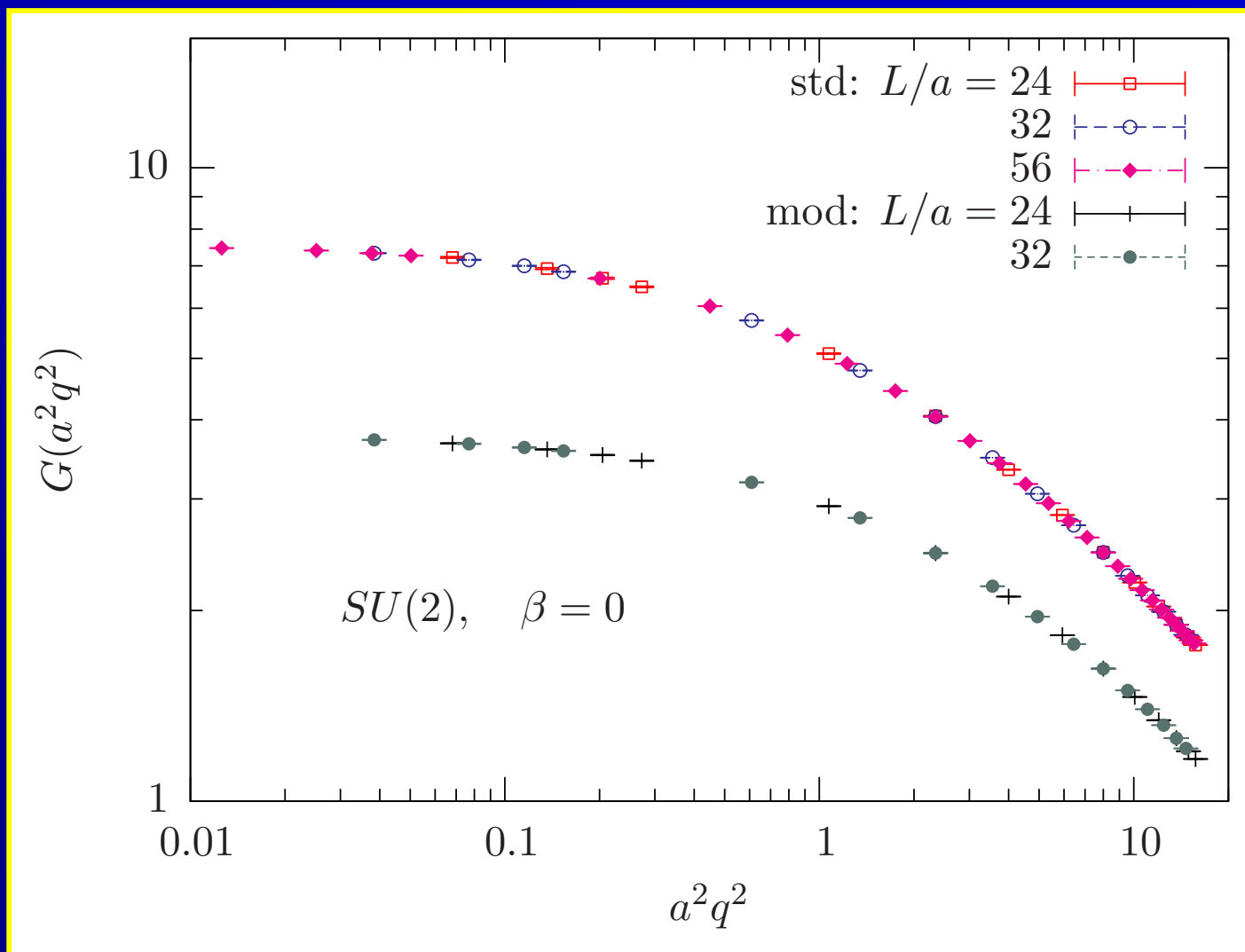
terms

$$\propto (a^2 p^2)^{2\kappa},$$

$$\kappa = 0.6$$

$$Z_{\text{fit}}(x) = cx + dx^{2\kappa}, \quad x = a^2 p^2$$

$SU(2)$ Ghost Propagator – $\beta = 0$



$SU(2)$ Coupling – $\beta = 0$

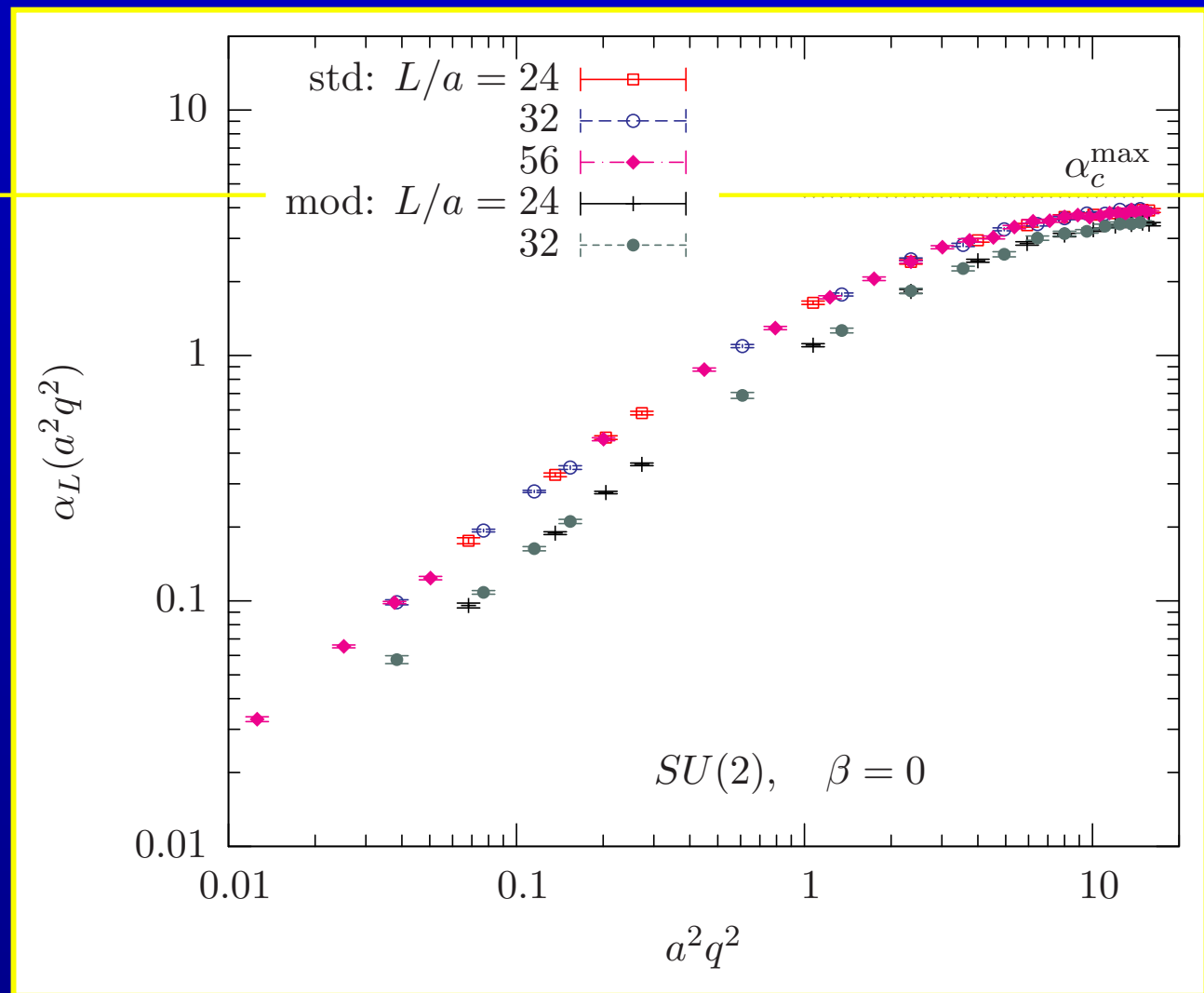
$$\alpha_L = \frac{g^2}{4\pi} Z_L(q^2) G_L^2(q^2)$$

Lerche & L.v.S., 2002:

$$\alpha_c = \frac{4\pi}{N_c I(\kappa)}$$

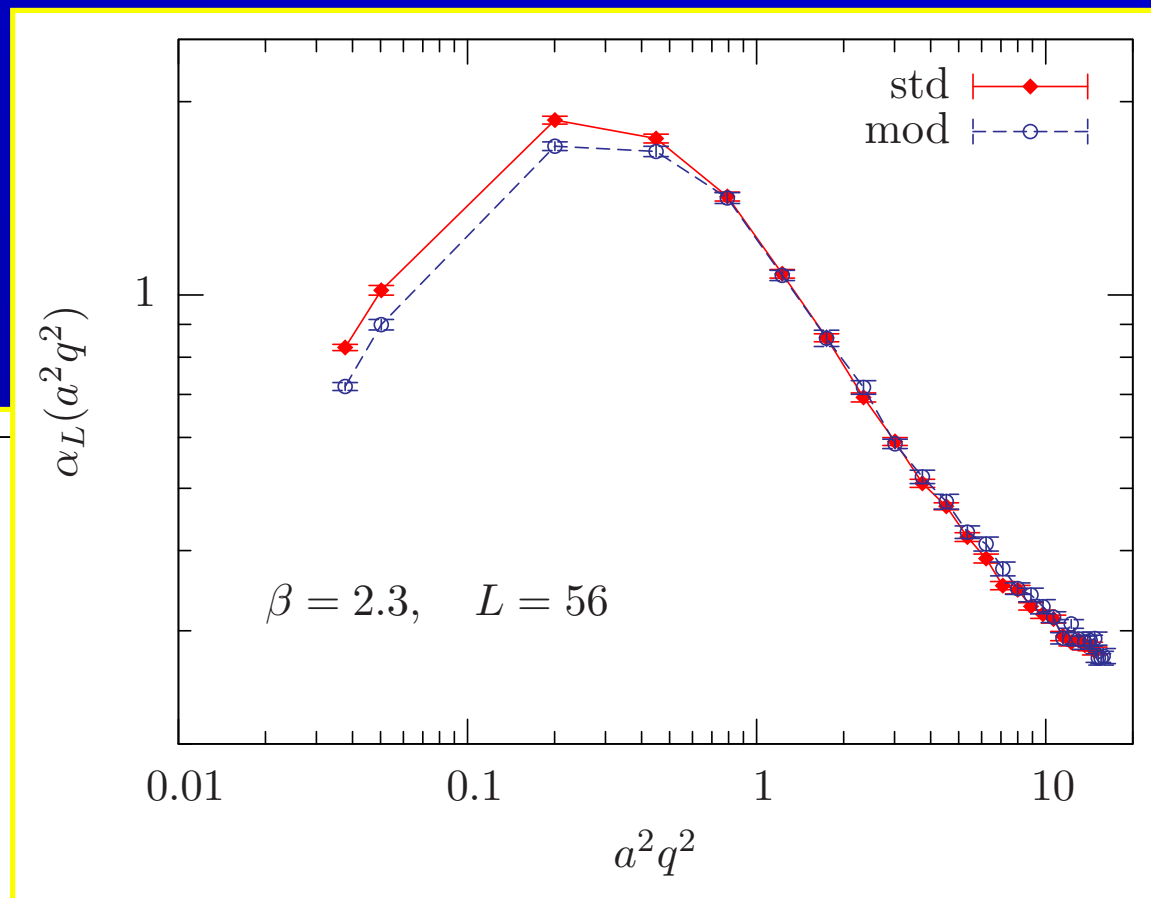
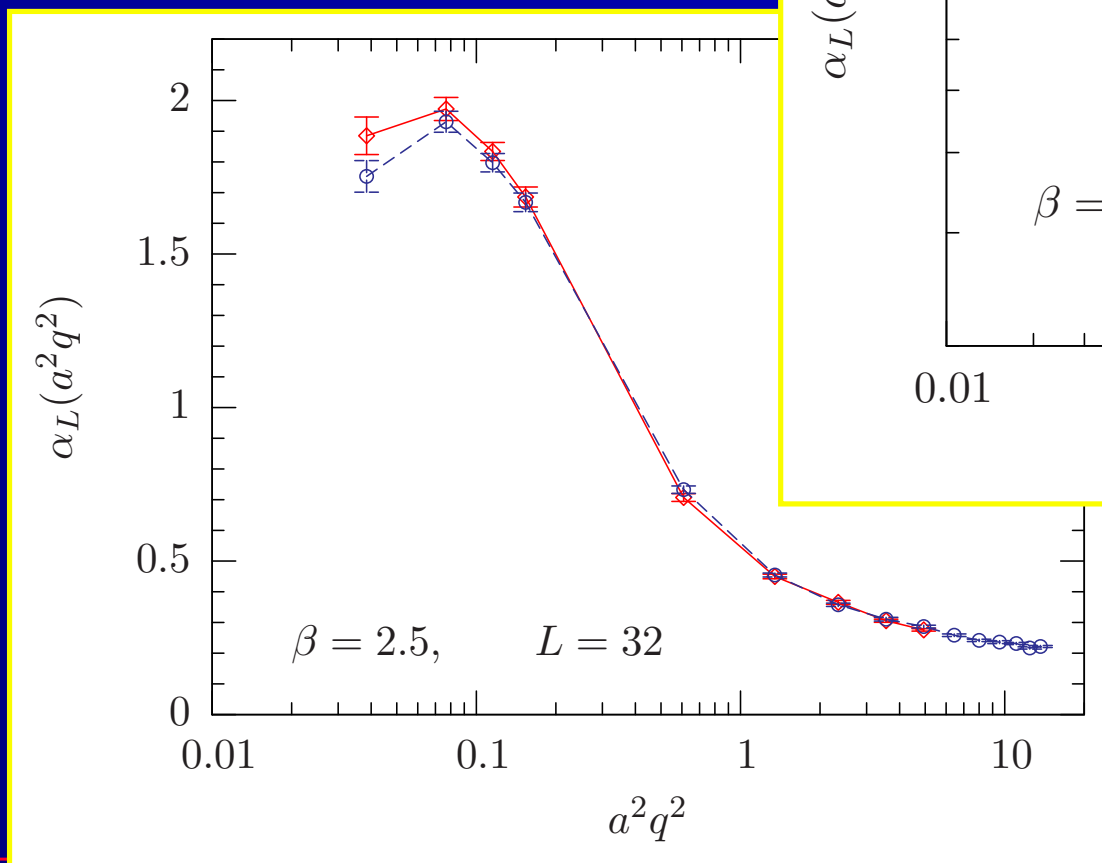
$$\alpha_c = \alpha_c^{\max} = 4.46\dots, N_c = 2,$$

max for $\kappa = 0.595\dots$



$SU(2)$ Running Coupling – finite β

$$\alpha_L = \frac{g^2}{4\pi} Z_L(q^2) G_L^2(q^2)$$



Conclusions

- **Strong Coupling Limit of Lattice Landau Gauge**

facilitate $\pi/L \ll p \ll \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \rightarrow \infty$

observe infrared behaviour of functional methods at large momenta:

$$D_{\text{gluon}} \sim (a^2 p^2)^{2\kappa-1}, \quad D_{\text{ghost}} \sim (a^2 p^2)^{-\kappa-1}, \quad \kappa \approx 0.6,$$

in particular, $\kappa_{\text{gluon}} = \kappa_{\text{ghost}}$, and $\alpha_S \rightarrow \alpha_c \approx 4$ ($SU(2)$).

However, this all happens for $1 \ll a^2 p^2$

deviations at small momenta are *not* a finite-size effect!

- **Modified Lattice Landau Gauge**

solves Neuberger 0/0 problem of lattice BRST.

alternative gauge field definition.

will allow to perform (Landau) gauge-fixed MC.