

Gluon propagator in the SU(2) gauge theory near critical temperature

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- ▶ Gluon propagator: definition, momentum dependence, Gribov-Stingl fit
- ▶ Gauge fixing
- ▶ Gribov-copy problem
- ▶ Electric mass behavior

We compute the “gluon” propagator in the $SU(2)$ theory at the temperature $T = \frac{1}{\beta}$, defined as follows:

$$D_{\mu\nu}(\tau, \vec{x}) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \int_{A_\mu(0, \vec{x}) = A_\mu(\beta, \vec{x})} DA_\mu^a(x) A_\mu(\tau, \vec{x}) A_\mu(0, 0) e^{-S_E[A]} |\det M_{FP}(A)| \quad (1)$$

$$S_E[A] = \int_0^\beta d\tau \int_V d^3\vec{x} \left(\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\mu\nu}^a + \frac{1}{2\alpha} (\partial_\mu A_\mu^a)^2 \right) \quad (2)$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int DA_\mu^a(x) e^{-S_E[A]} |\det M_{FP}(A)| \quad (3)$$

$$(D(\rho))^{-1}_{\mu\nu} = (D^0(\rho))^{-1}_{\mu\nu}(\rho) - \Pi_{\mu\nu}(\rho)$$

$$\rho_\mu \Pi_{\mu\nu}(\rho) = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\rho_\mu \rho_\nu D_{\mu\nu}(\rho) = \alpha$$

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = G(\rho)P_{\mu\nu}^T + F(\rho)P_{\mu\nu}^L \quad (5)$$

$$P_{\mu\nu}^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta_{ij} - \frac{p_i p_j}{|\vec{p}|^2} \end{pmatrix} \quad P_{\mu\nu}^L = \frac{1}{p^2} \begin{pmatrix} |\vec{p}|^2 & p_4 \vec{p} \\ p_4 \vec{p} & \frac{p_4^2}{|\vec{p}|^2} p_i p_j \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_\mu P_{\mu\nu}^L = p_\mu P_{\mu\nu}^T = 0$$

$$P_{\mu\nu}^{L,T} P_{\nu\lambda}^{L,T} = P_{\mu\lambda}^{L,T}, \quad P_{\mu\nu}^L P_{\nu\lambda}^T = 0$$

$$P_{\mu\mu}^L = 1, \quad P_{\mu\mu}^T = 2$$

$$D_{\mu\nu}(p) = D_L(p)P_{\mu\nu}^L + D_T(p)P_{\mu\nu}^T + \alpha \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^4}$$

$$D_L(p) = \frac{1}{p^2 - F(p)}, \quad D_T(p) = \frac{1}{p^2 - G(p)}$$

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = F(p)P_{\mu\nu}^L + G(p)P_{\mu\nu}^T$$

$$D_{ii}(|\vec{p}|^2) = 2D_T(0, \vec{p}), \quad D_{44}(|\vec{p}|^2) = D_L(0, \vec{p}),$$

$$S = \frac{4}{g^2} \sum_{P=x,\mu,\nu} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr } U_P \right)$$

where

$$U_P = U_{x,\mu} U_{x+\hat{\mu},\nu} U_{x+\hat{\nu},\mu}^\dagger U_{x,\nu}^\dagger$$

$$U_{x,\mu} \in SU(2),$$

$$U_{x,\mu} = u_0 + i \sum_{a=1}^3 u_a \sigma_a, \quad (6)$$

$$A_\mu^a = -\frac{2U_\mu^a}{ga}, \quad (7)$$

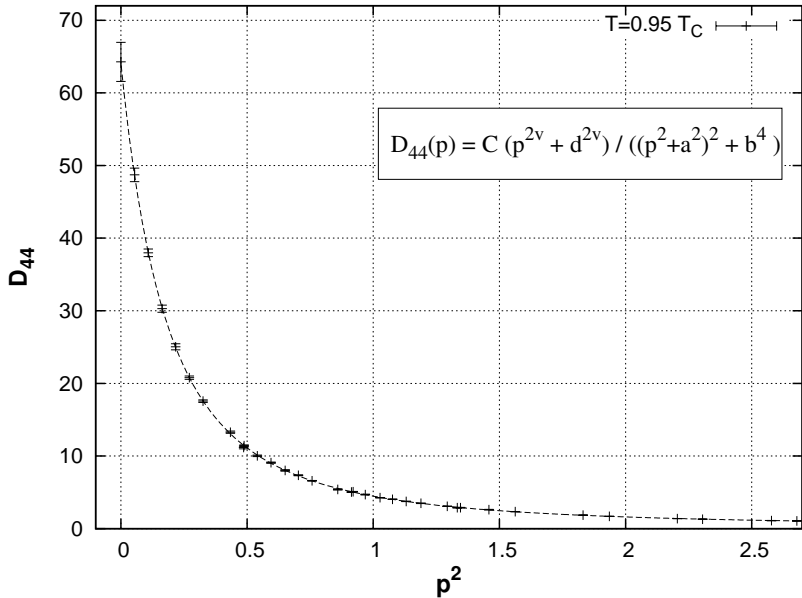
$$\Lambda : U_{x,\mu} \rightarrow \Lambda_x^\dagger U_{x,\mu} \Lambda_{x+\hat{\mu}},$$

We fix the **absolute** Landau gauge by finding the **global** maximum of the functional

$$\mathcal{F}[U] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,\mu} \text{Tr } U_{x,\mu}, \quad (8)$$

Stationarity condition:

$$\partial_\nu A_\nu^a = 0.$$



Definition of the electric gluon (color-screening) mass:

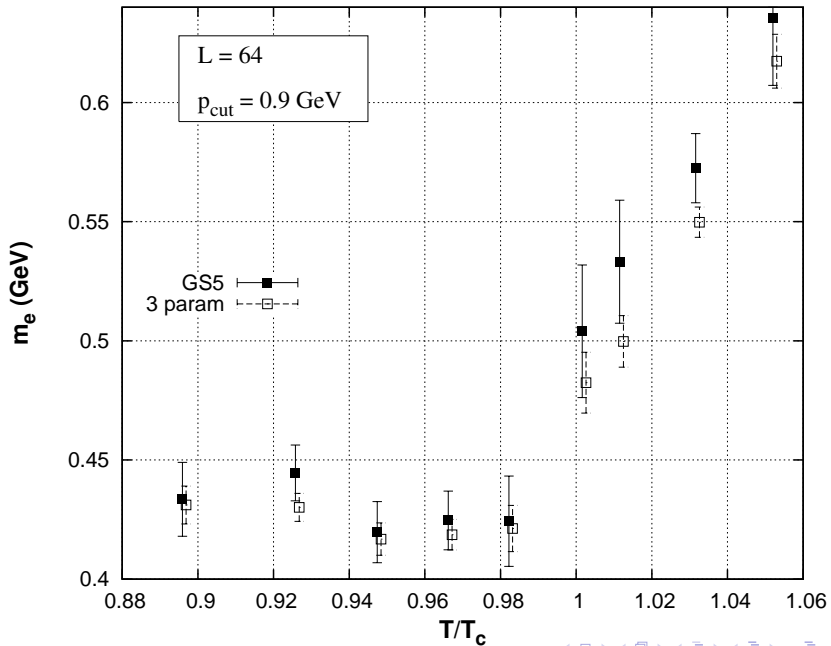
$$\frac{1}{D_{44}(p)} = Z (m_e^2 + p^2 + O(p^4))$$

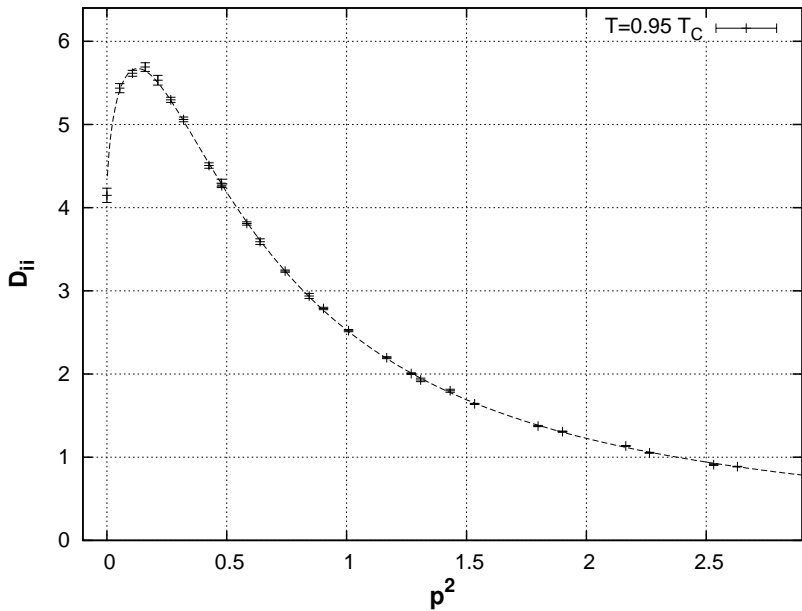
It should be noted that, at $p \leq 1.5\text{GeV}$,

$D_{44}(p)$ can well be fitted by

$$D_{44}(p) = \frac{C}{(\mu^2 + p^2)^2} \quad (\mu = m_e\sqrt{2})$$

Perturbation theory for SU(2): $m_e = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}gT$





Magnetic screening mass:

$$m_M = G(0, \vec{p} \rightarrow 0) = \frac{1}{2} \Pi_{ii}(0)$$

- ▶ Perturbation theory: $m_M = 0$
- ▶ Linde proposal: $m_M \simeq g^2 T$
(to provide perturbative calculability of various quantities)
- ▶ Our conclusion: $D_{ii}(|\vec{x}|) \sim \frac{1}{|\vec{x}|^b}$,
NOT $D_{ii}(|\vec{x}|) \sim \exp(-m_M |\vec{x}|)$

