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IR sector of QCD: Lattice versus Schwinger-Dyson

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Motivations

- Gluon and ghost propagators from the lattice



New Schwinger-Dyson equations

- PT-BFM scheme



Applications

- Gluon and ghost propagators in 4 dimensions
- Gluon and ghost propagators in 3 dimensions
- Kugo-Ojima function
- QCD effective charge

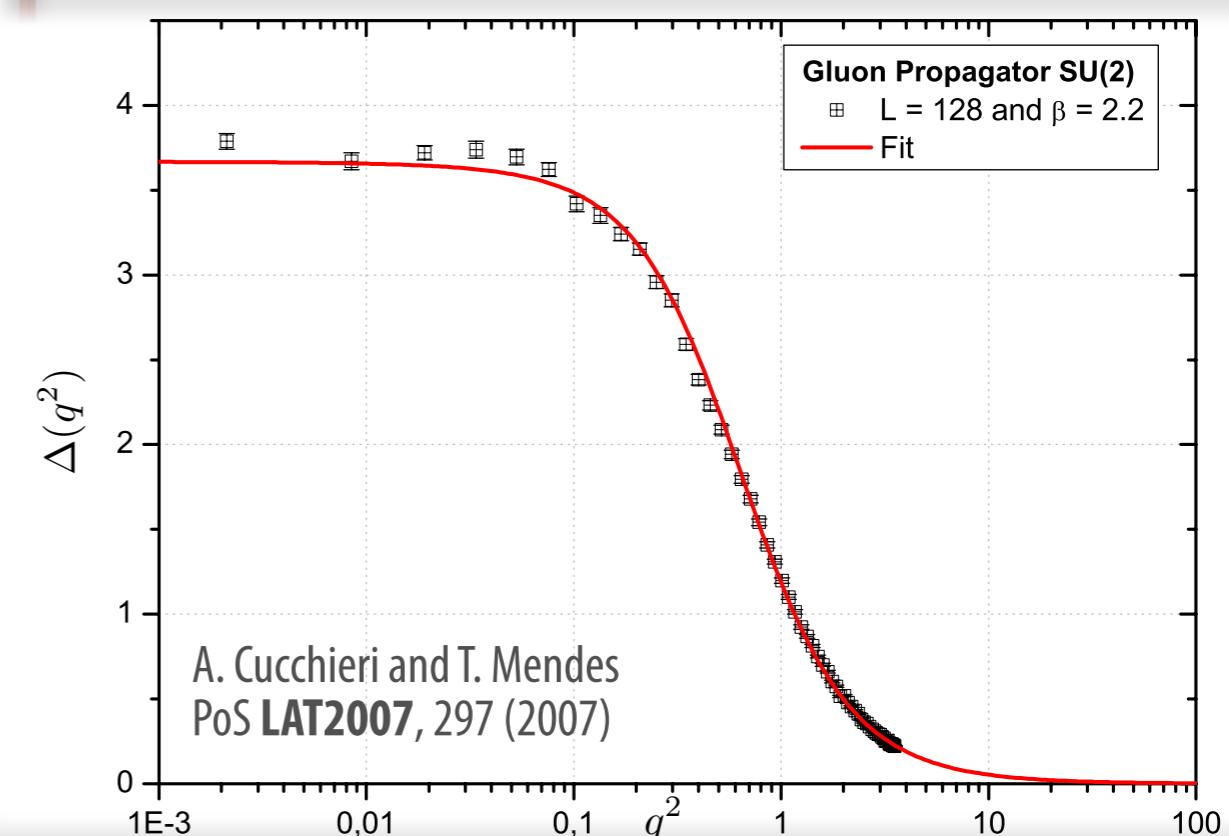
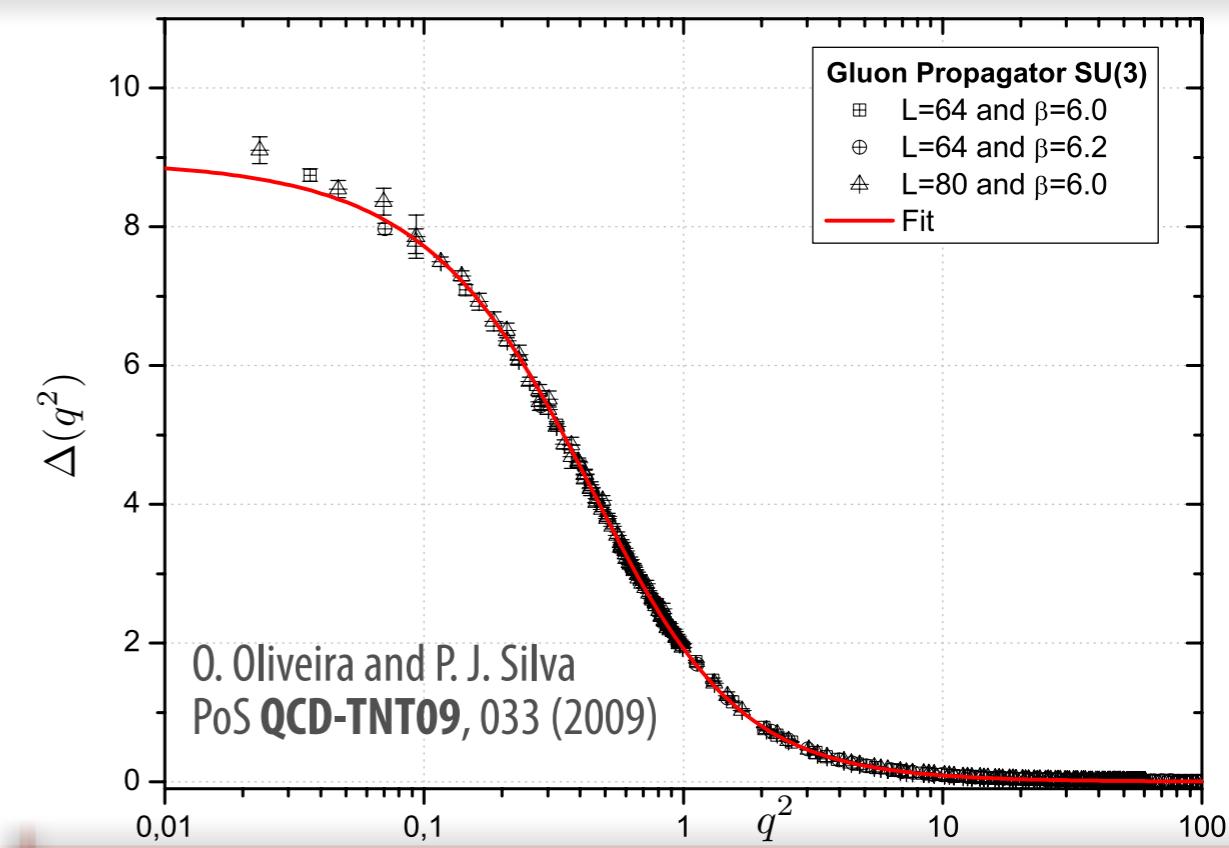
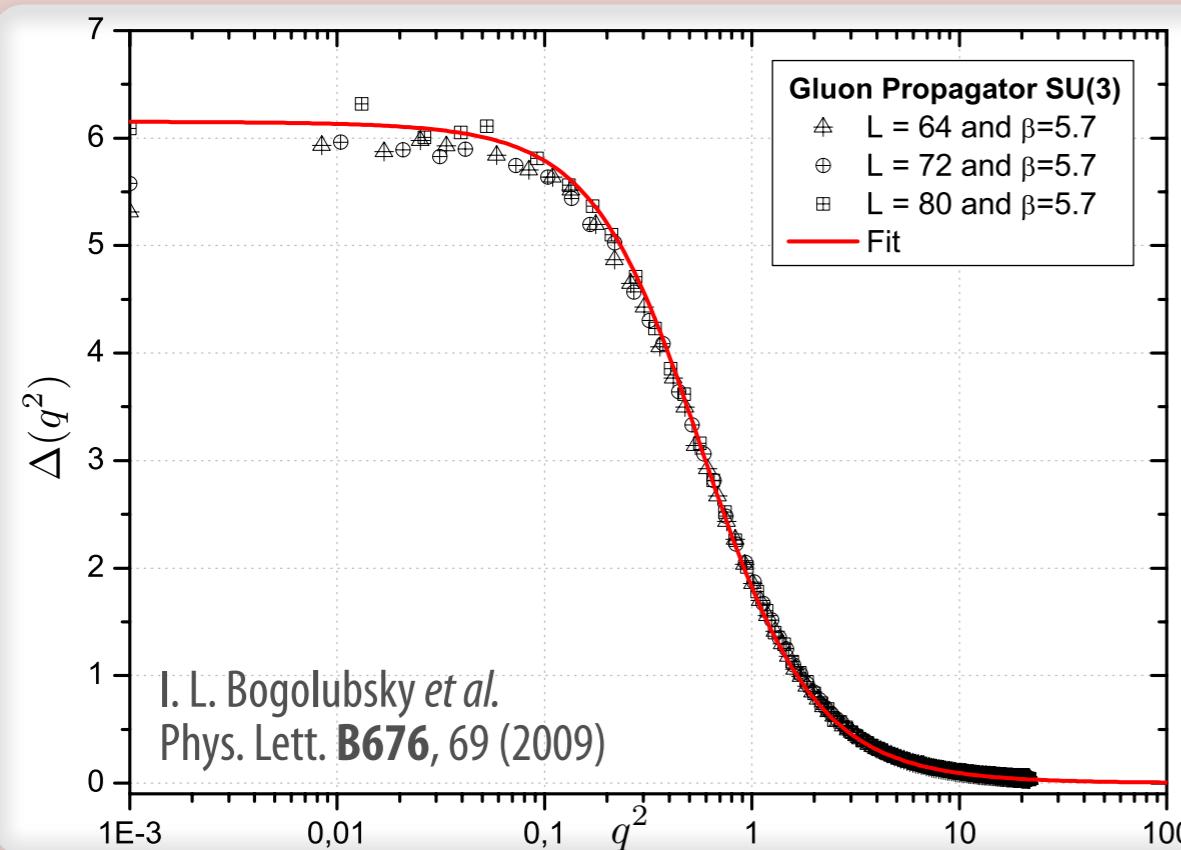


Conclusions and outlook

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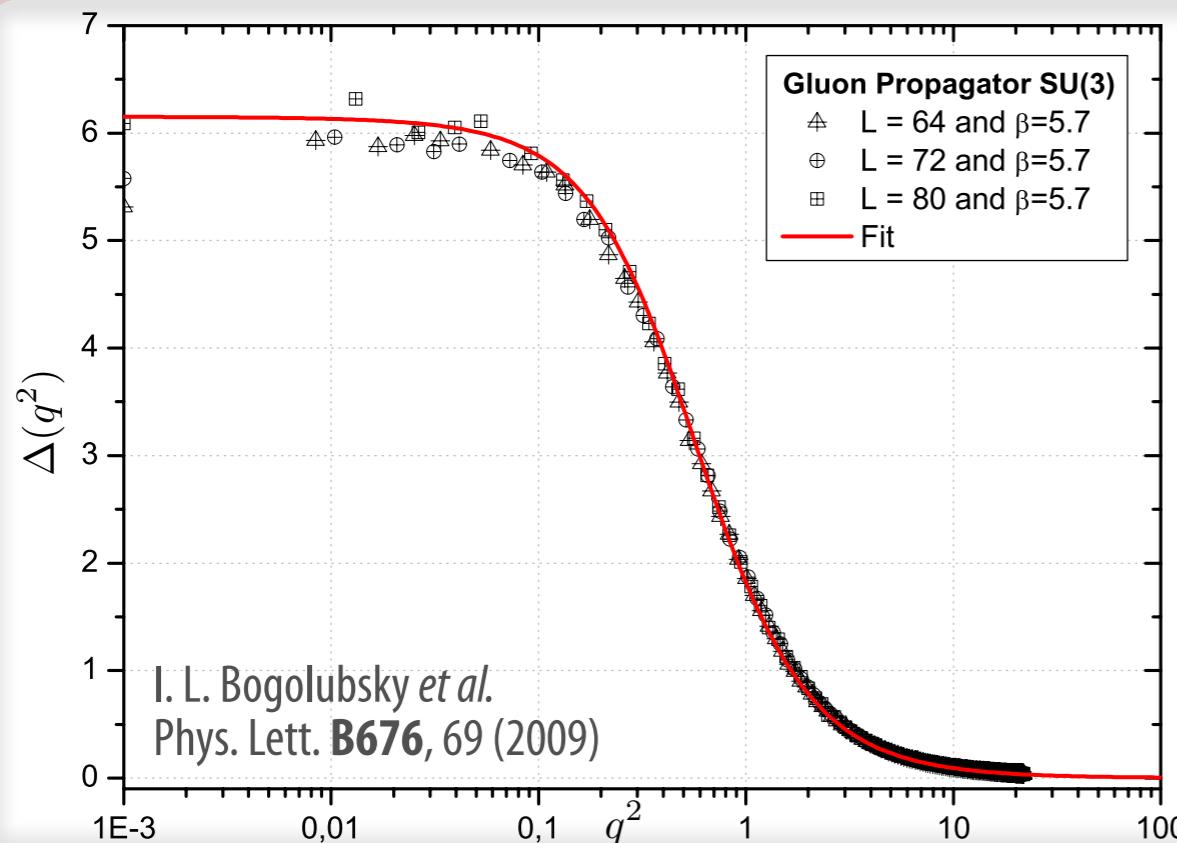
Major activities

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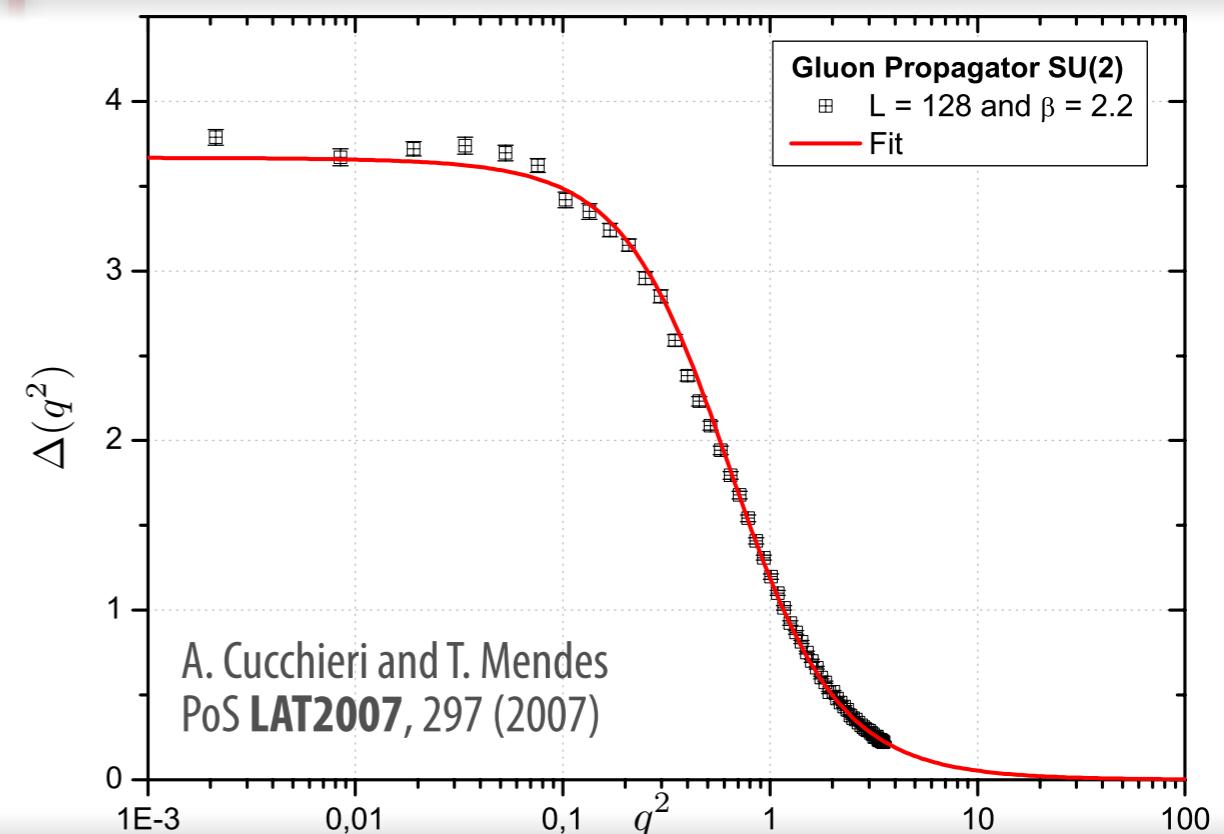
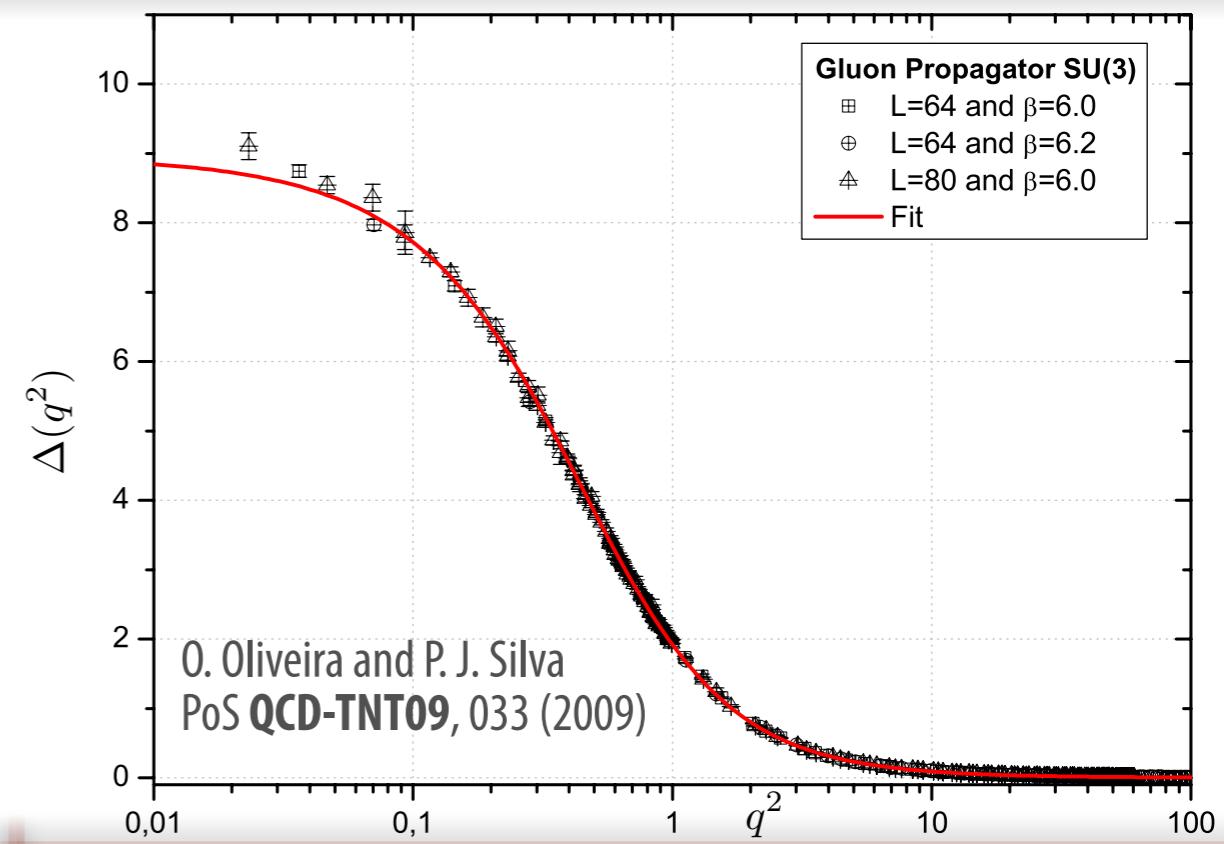
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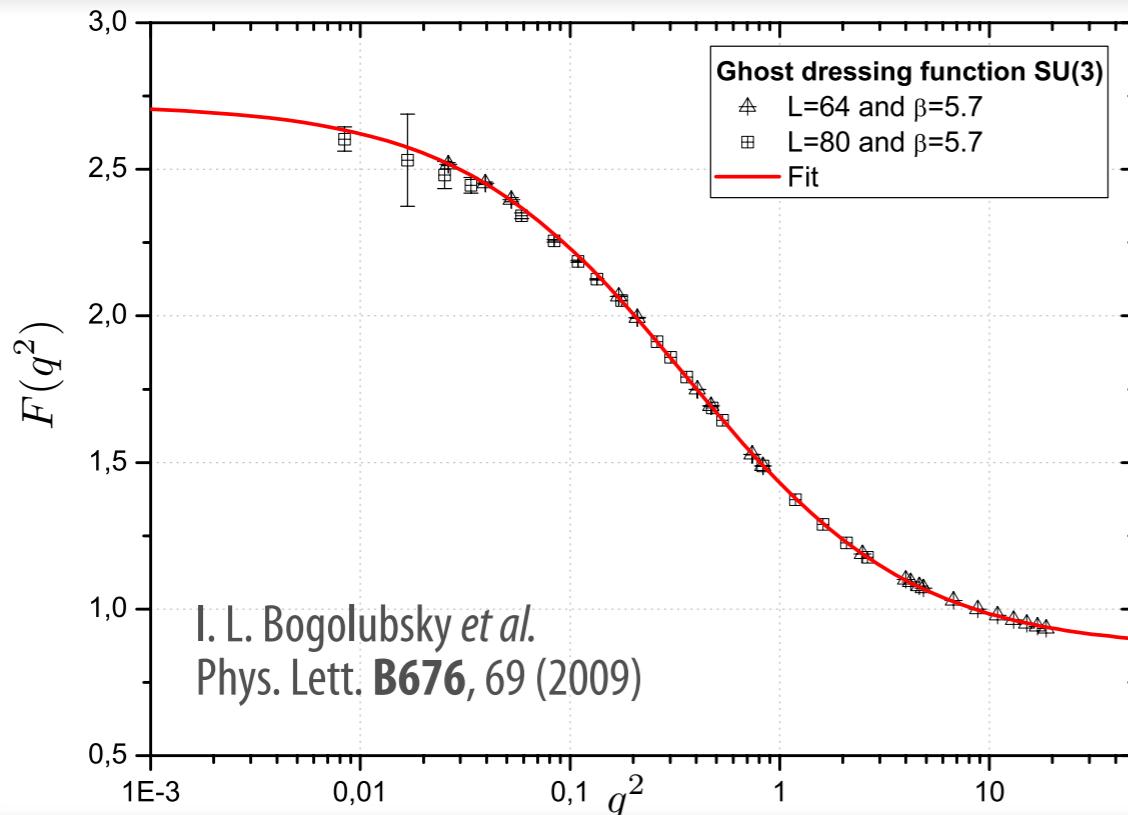
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$$\Delta^{-1}(q^2) = m^2 + q^2 \left[1 + \frac{13C_A g_f^2}{96\pi^2} \ln \left(\frac{q^2 + \rho m^2}{\mu^2} \right) \right]$$



gluon and ghost propagators from lattice QCD

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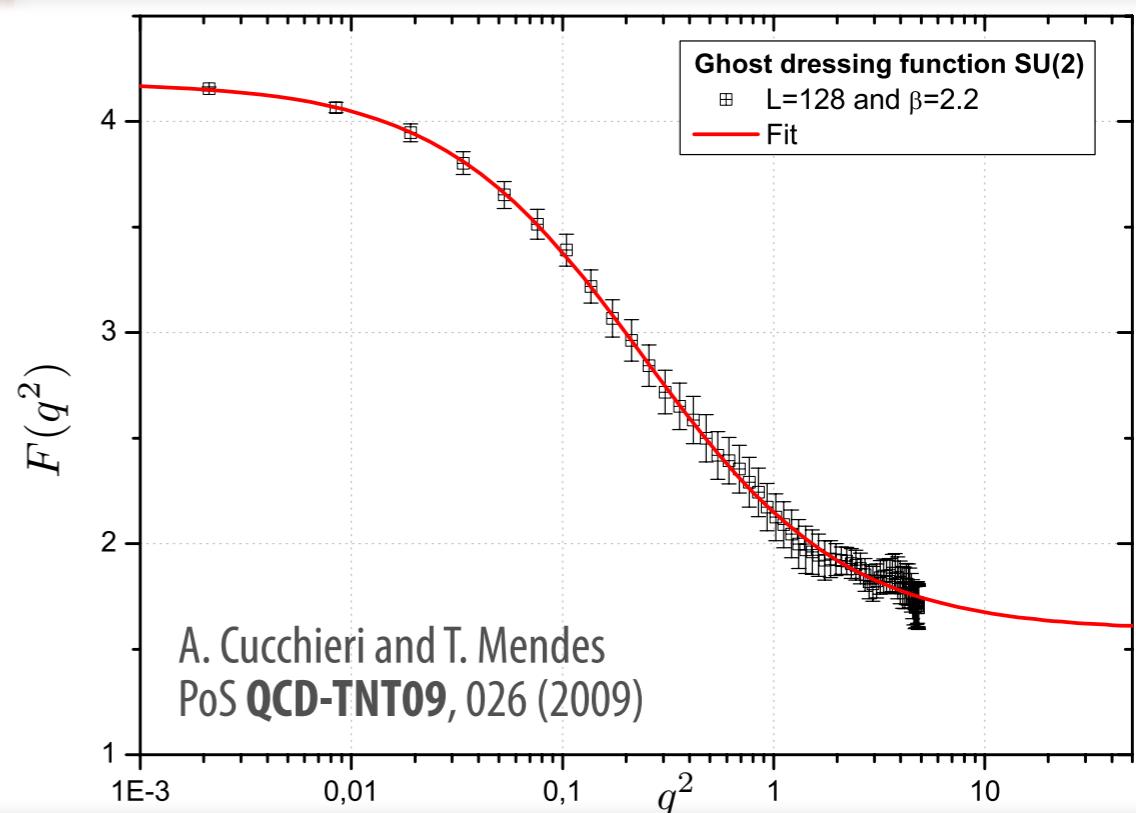


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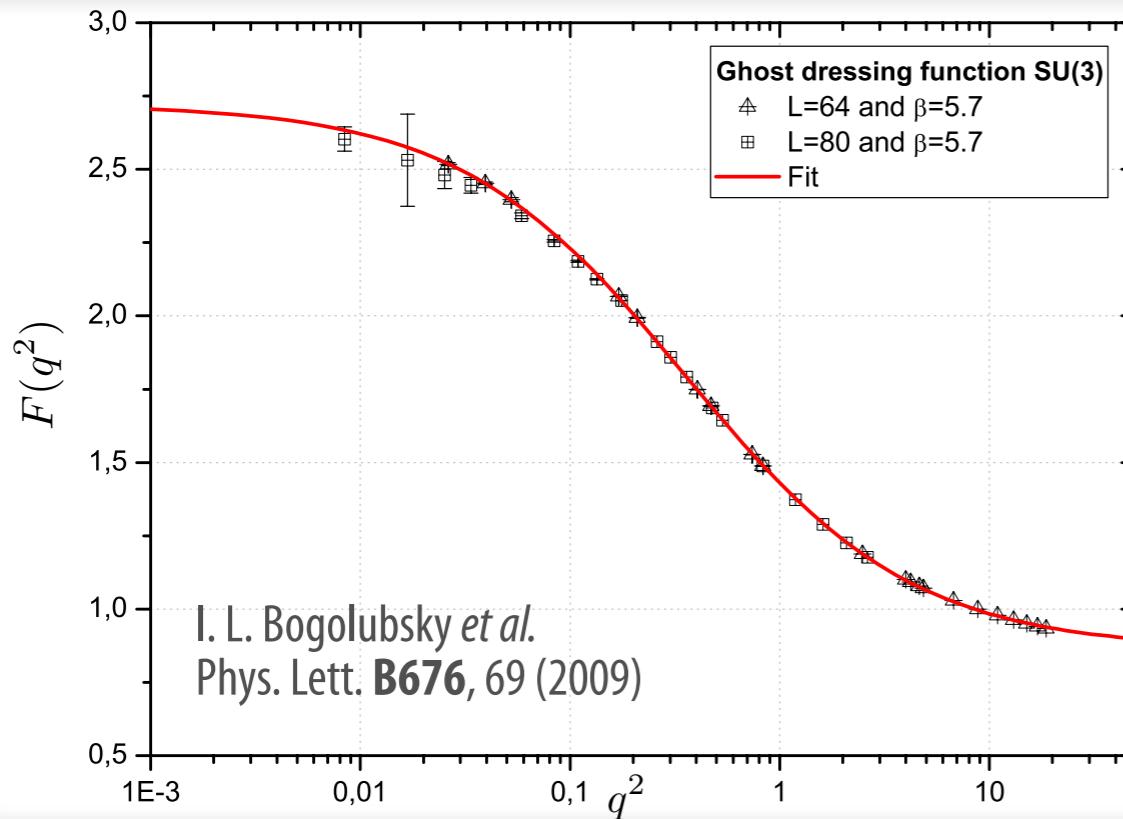
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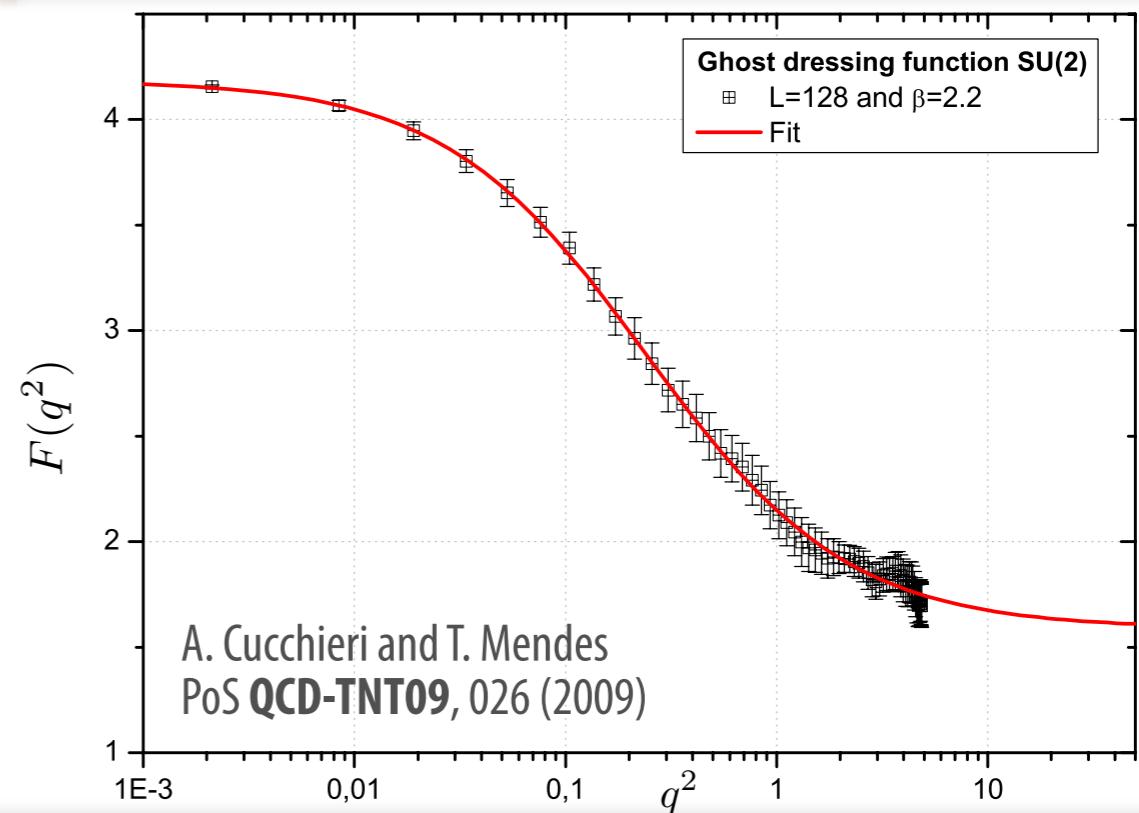


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New Schwinger-Dyson eqs

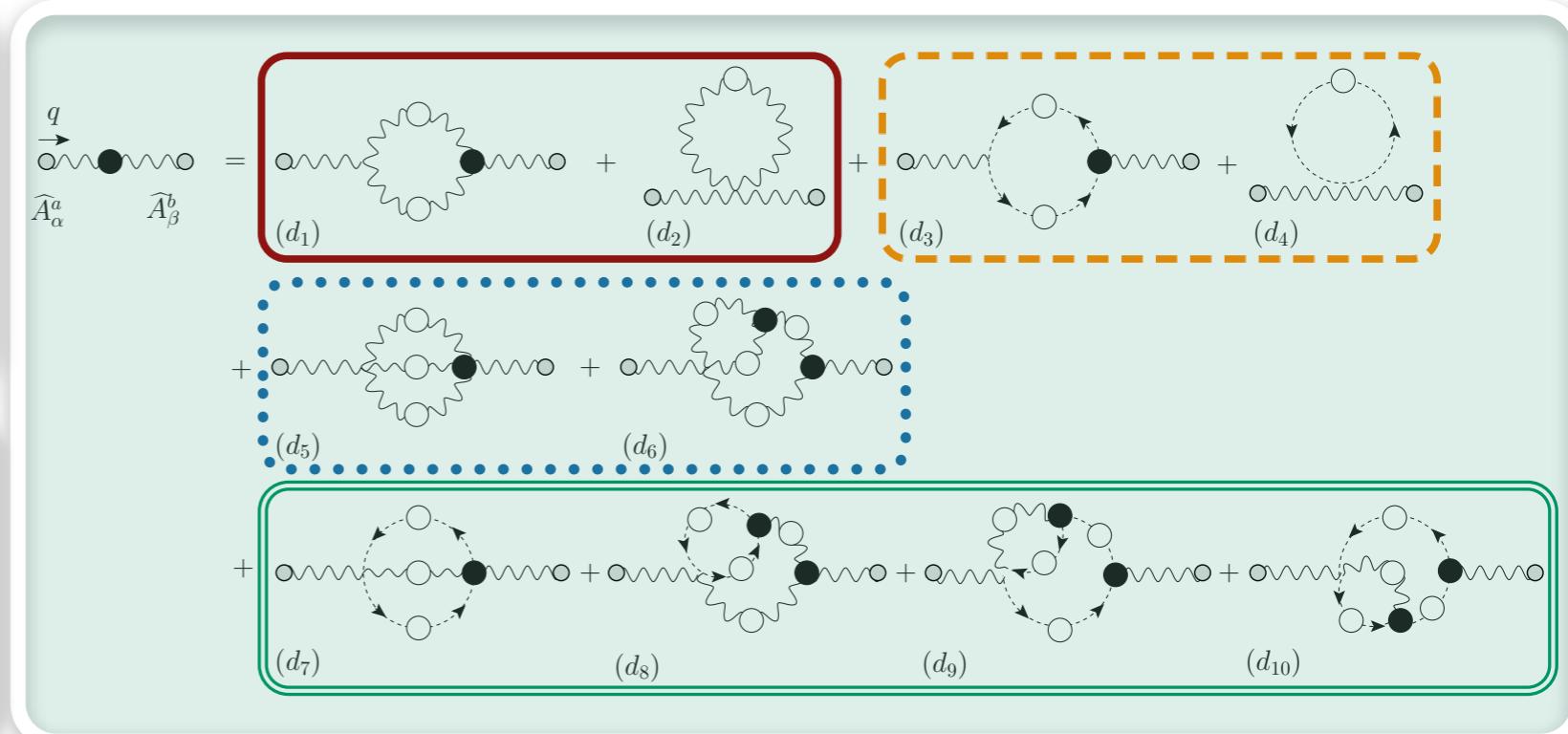
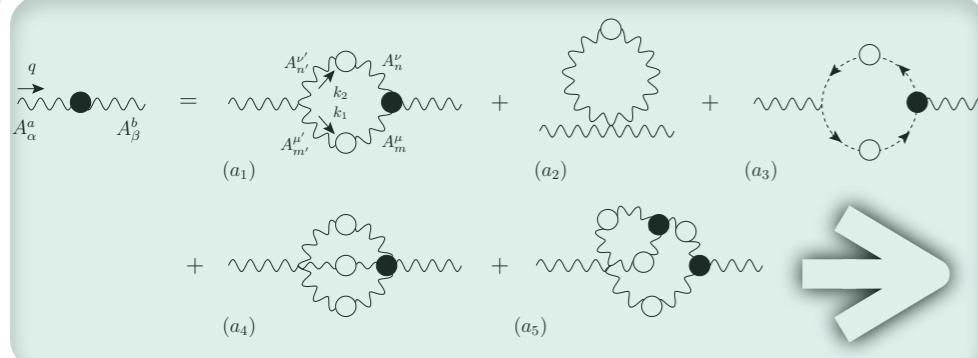
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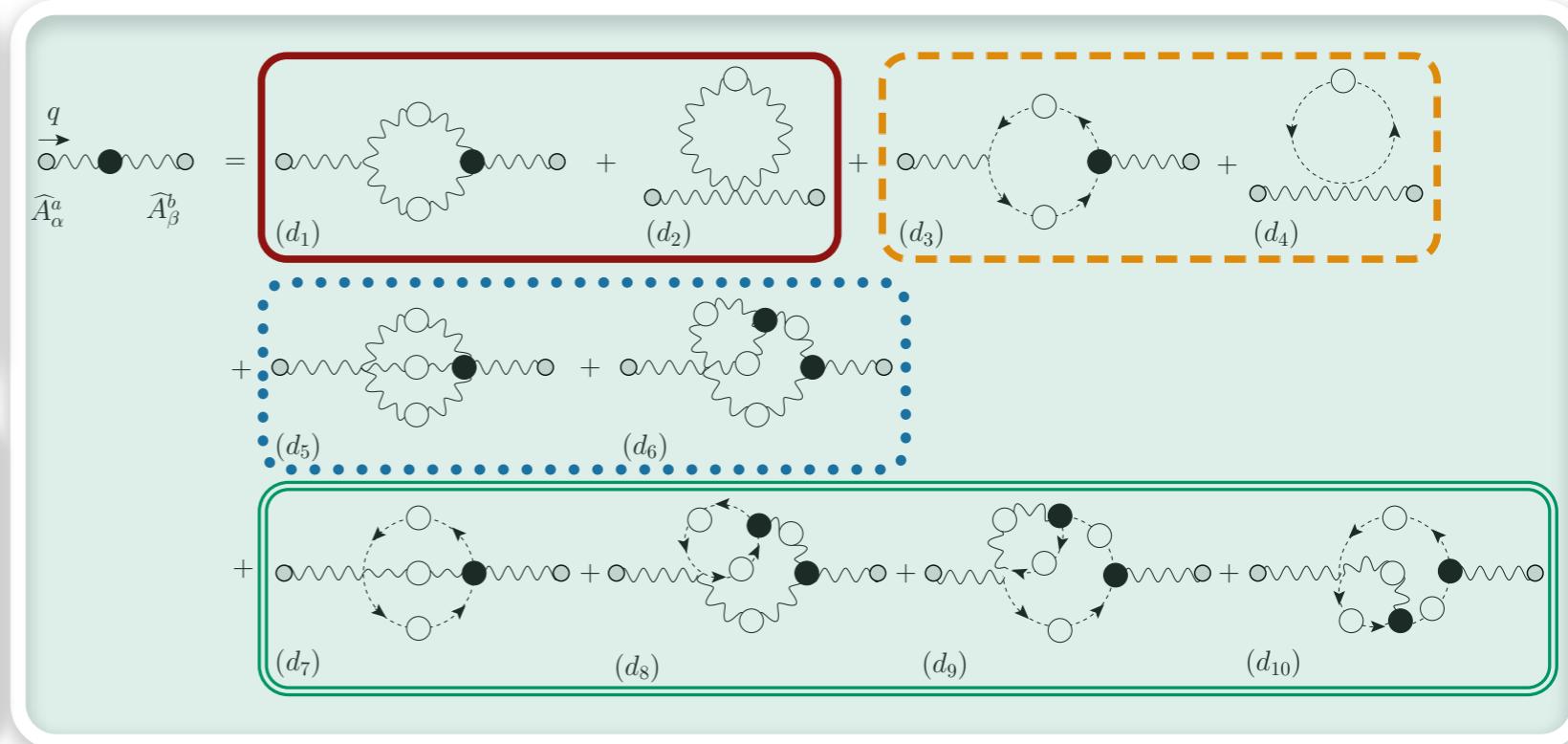
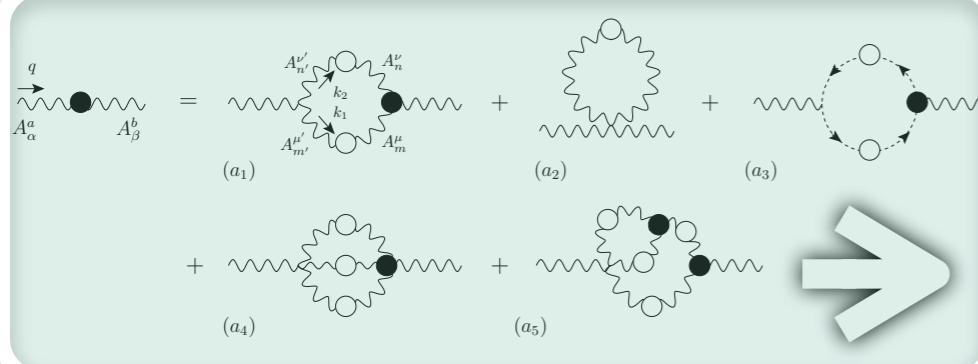
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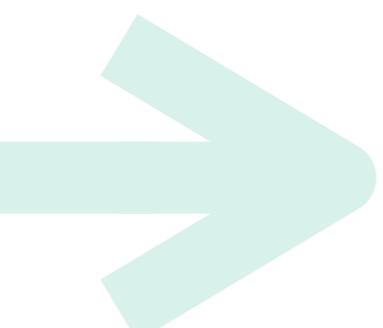


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Problem
Not a genuine **Schwinger-Dyson**
equation (**mixes conventional**
and BFM propagators)



Express the **Schwinger-Dyson equation** in terms of a **Background-Quantum identity**

$$\widehat{\Delta}(q^2) = [1 + G(q^2)]^{-2} \Delta(q^2)$$

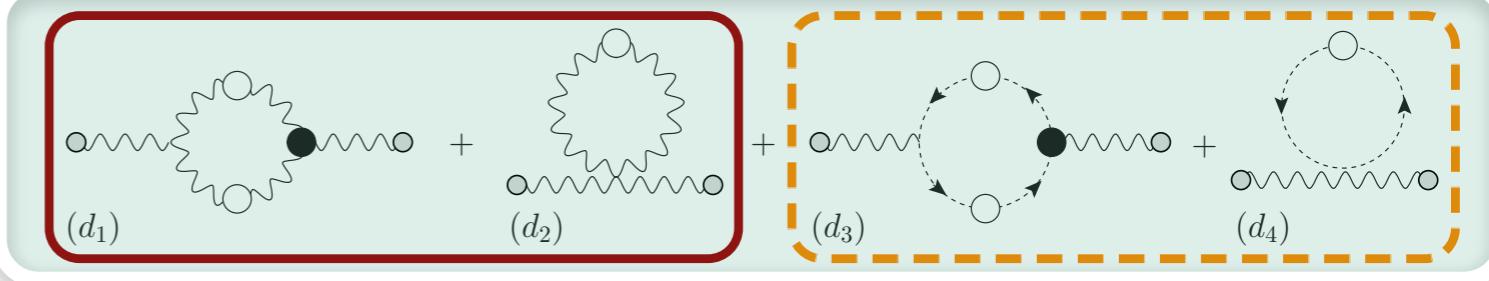
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new Schwinger-Dyson series

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 - contain the **massless poles**
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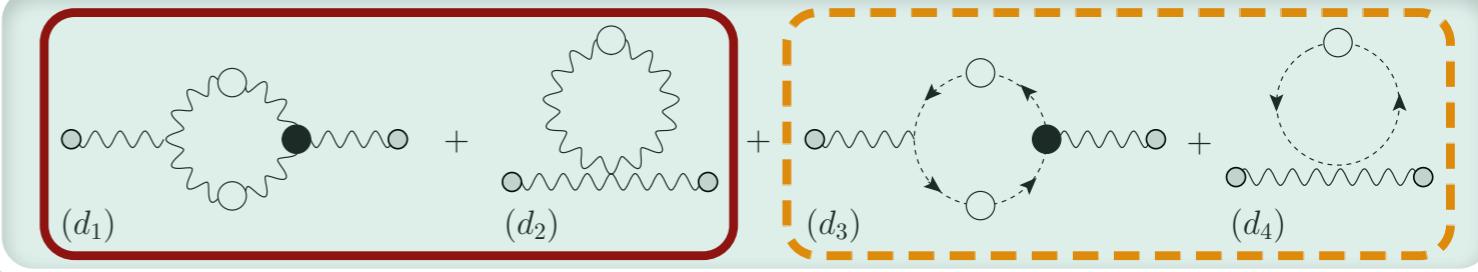
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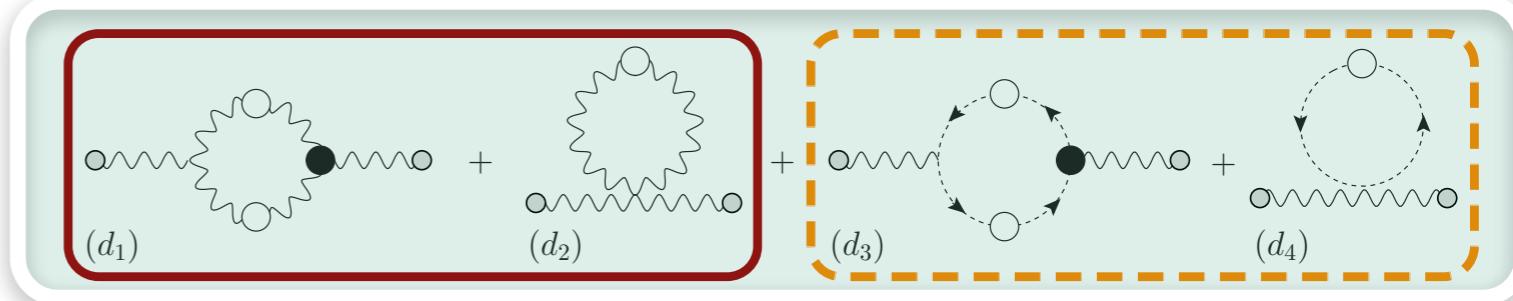
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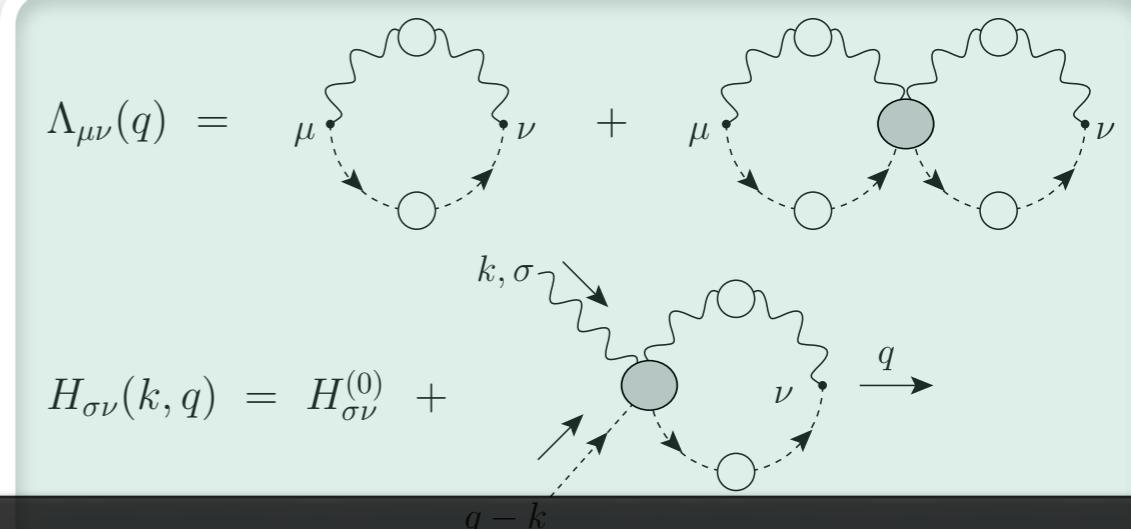
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- Can add/remove group of diagrams **gauge invariantly**

- Gauge invariance preserved at each step** (transverse projectors can be traced out)

- Different options for truncation** (always retaining exact gauge invariance)

Very flexible framework

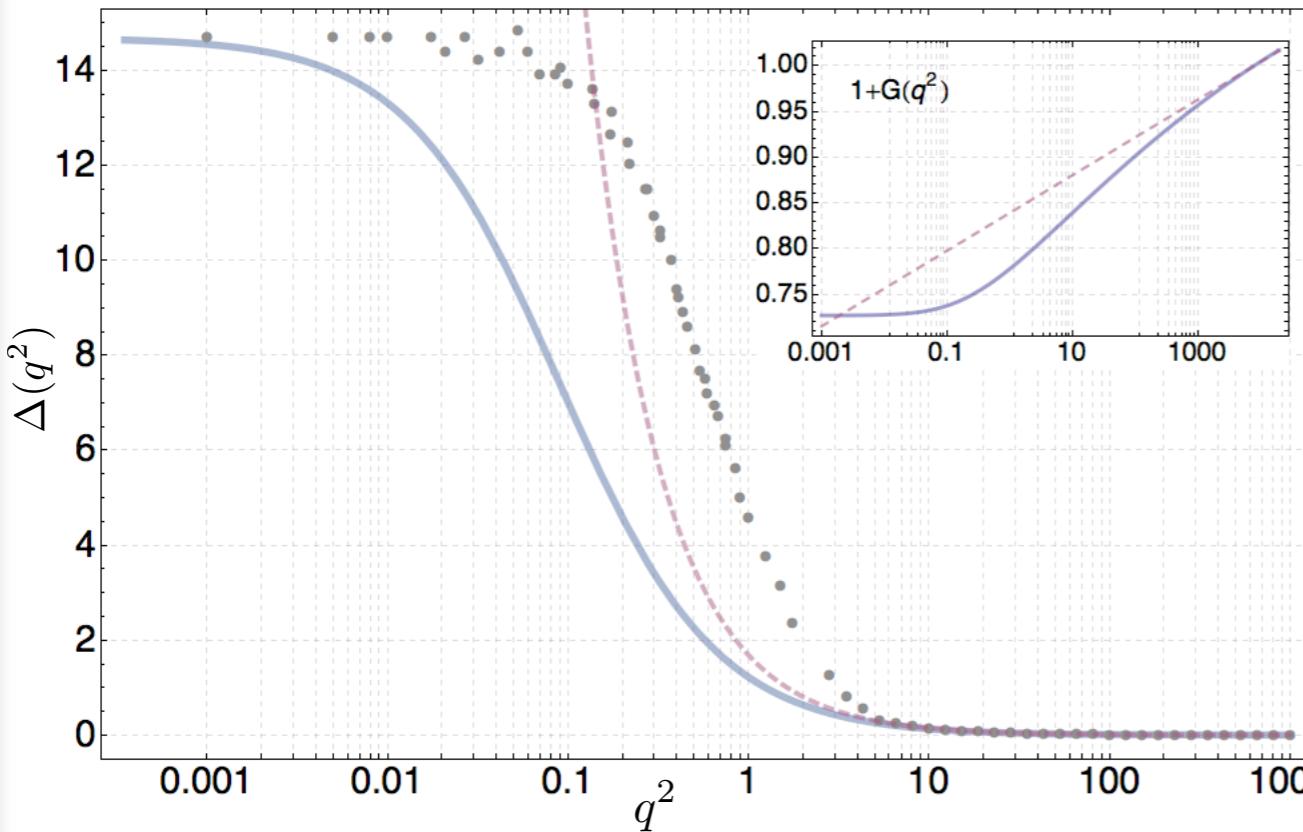
- Modest price to pay: **additional equation** for $G(q^2)$ (but this function is very worth the effort)
- PT-BFM and conventional vertices** can be treated independently
- Allow the gauge invariant study of ghost contributions

Applications

✓ **numerical**

application II

gluon and ghost propagators ($d=4$)



[4d SU(3)] gluon and ghost propagator solutions

- ✓ (almost) **Parameter-free** calculation
- ✓ **Massive** (decoupling) **solutions found**
- ✓ Qualitative **agreement** with lattice simulations
 - ✓ **IR finite gluon propagator**
 - ✓ **IR finite ghost dressing function**

Better agreement could be achieved

- * Mainly going **beyond tree-level** approximations
 - * normal ghost vertex (D)
 - * H auxiliary function (G)

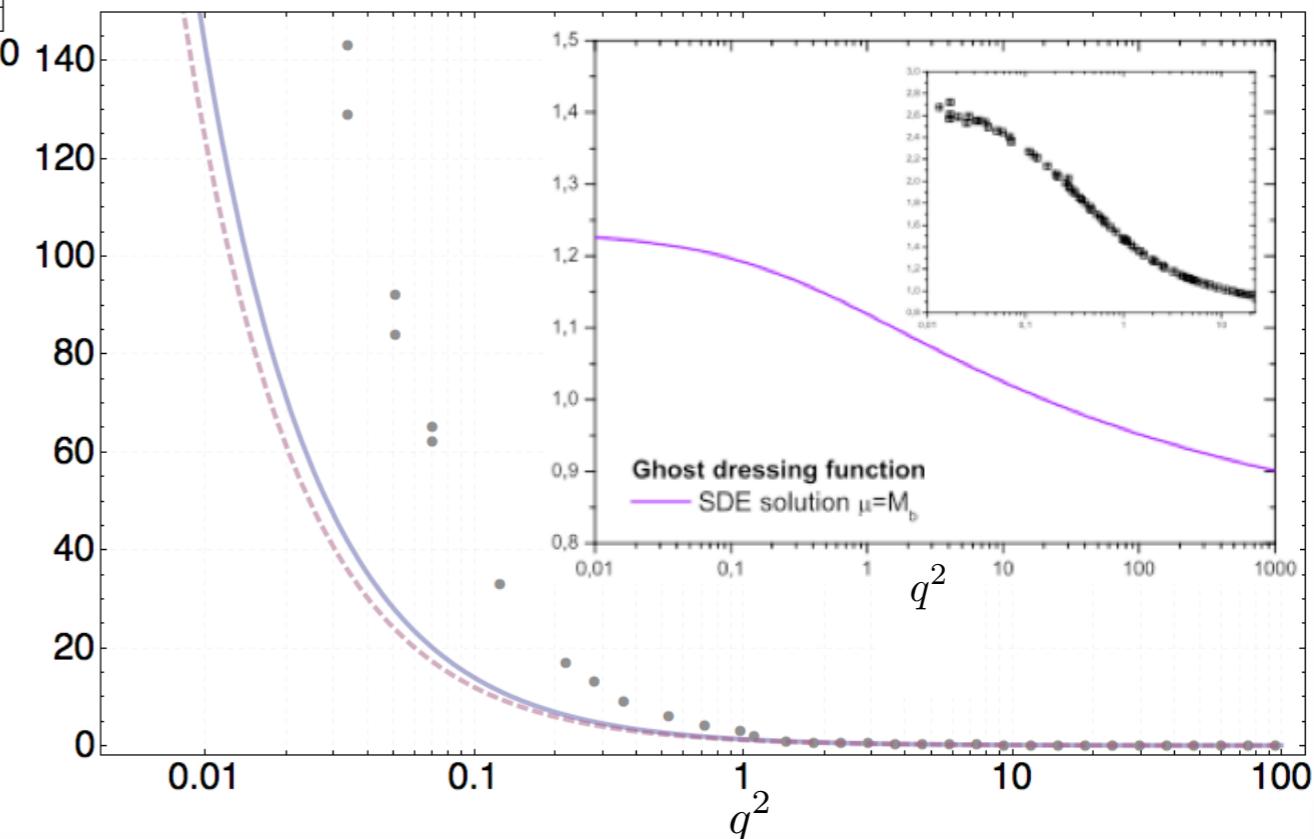
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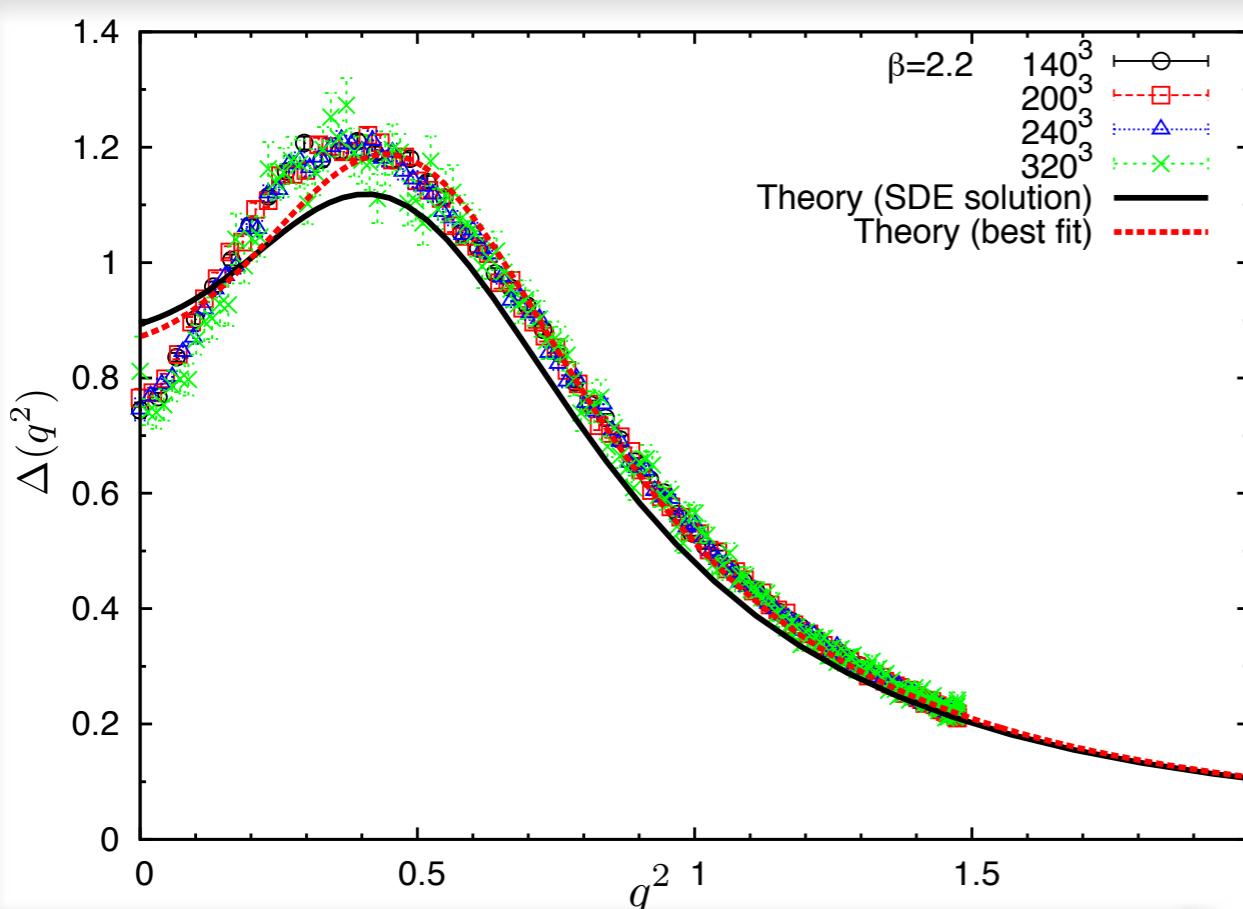
Solution of the 4d system

- Three unknowns: G , Δ and D (or F)
- IR finiteness condition

$$\lim_{q^2 \rightarrow 0} \Delta^{-1}(q^2) = \Delta_{\text{lat}}^{-1}(0)$$



gluon and ghost propagators ($d=3$)



[3d SU(2)] gluon and ghost propagator solutions

- ✓ One-loop (plus tree-level mass) gives good results
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We can do **better**

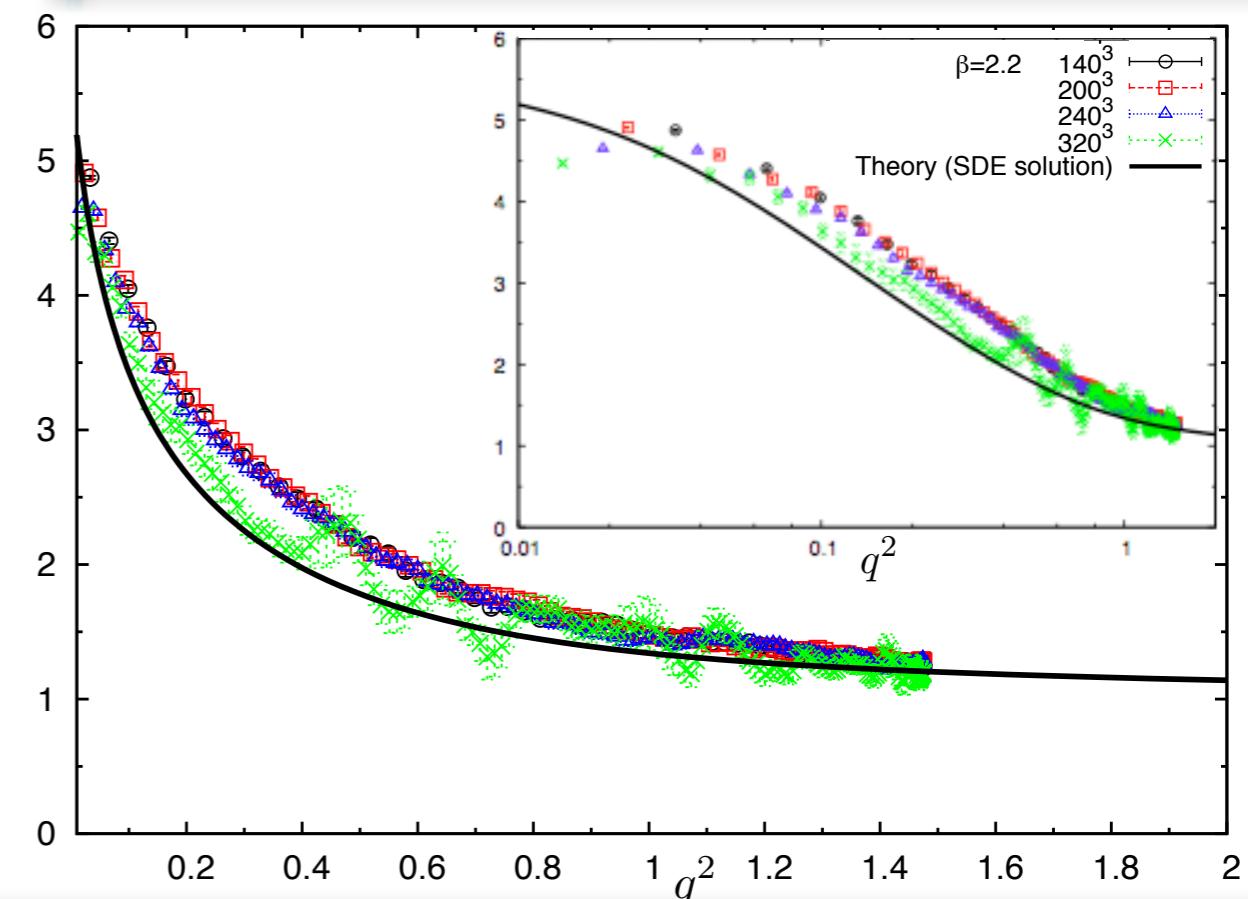
- * Solve the full system as in the 4d case
 - * expected to be easier than in 4d (integrals are convergent)

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Solution of the 3d system

- One-loop approximations for Δ with a tree-level (hard mass)
- Full ghost equation for D (or F)
- More on ghost/gluon propagators in Dудal's and Wschebor's talk



application III G (and L) from the lattice

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- The condition $G(0) = -1$ looks like the Kugo-Ojima confinement criterion $u = -1$

$$\int d^4x e^{-iq \cdot (x-y)} \langle T[(\mathcal{D}_\mu c)_x^m (\mathcal{D}_\mu \bar{c})_y^n] \rangle = -\frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{q^2} \delta^{mn} + P_{\mu\nu}(q) \delta^{mn} u(q^2)$$

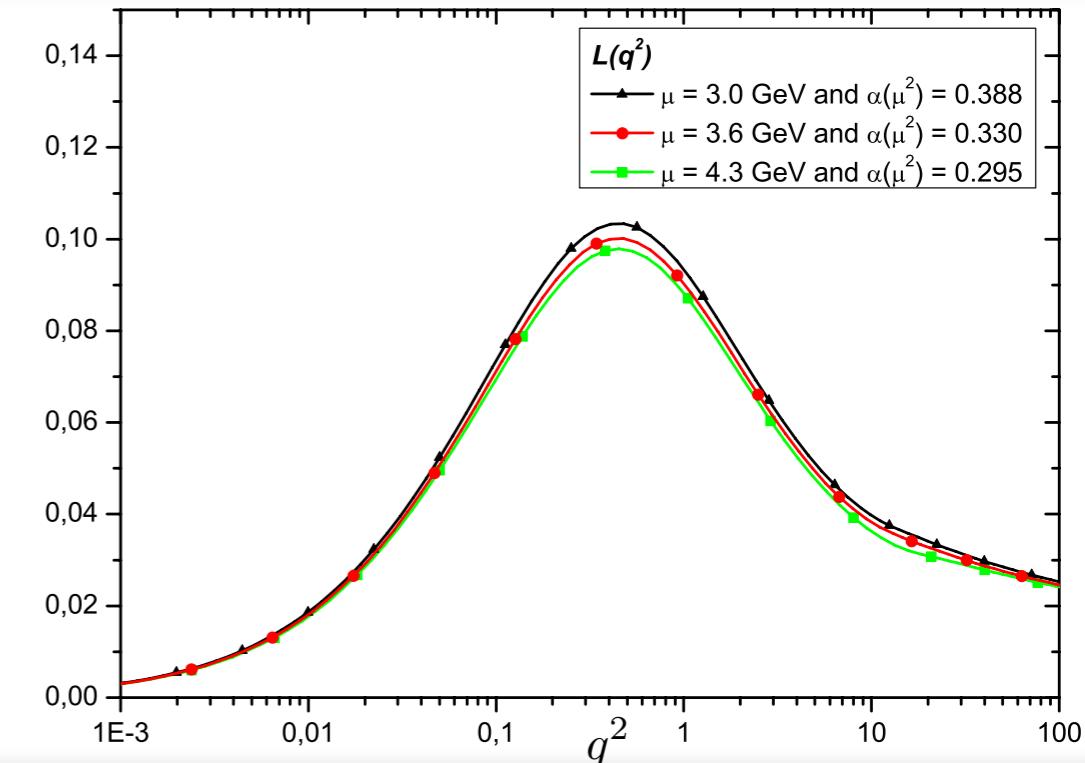
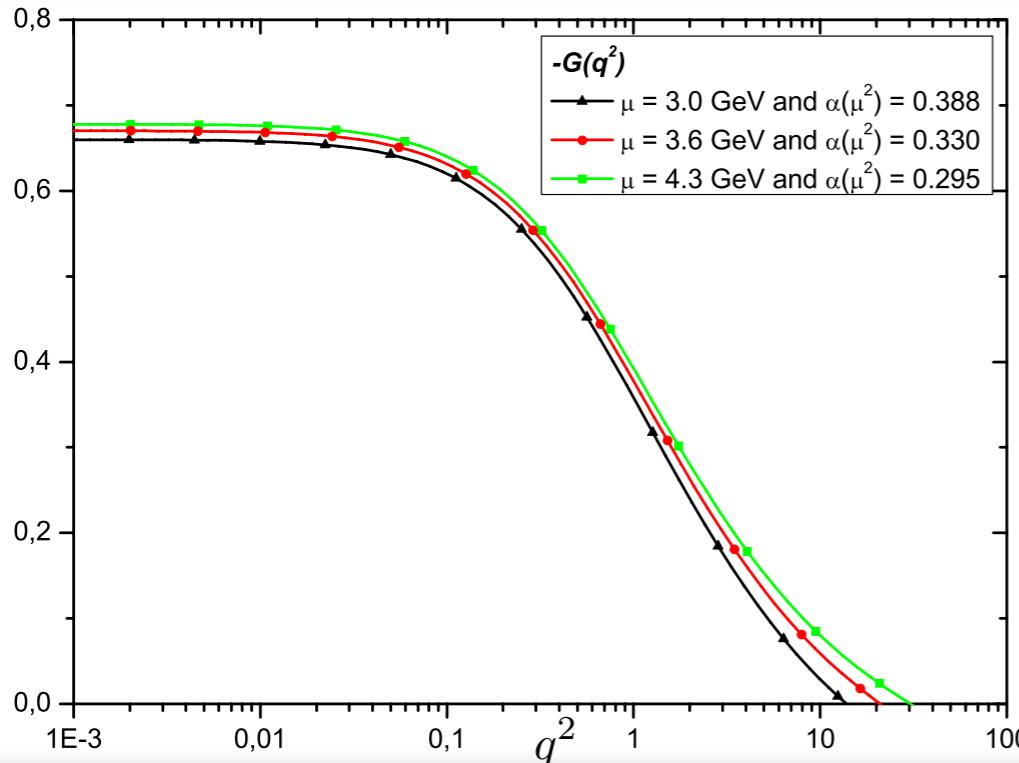
G reveals a great deal
about the QCD IR sector

- Indeed one can show that

$$G(q^2) \equiv u(q^2)$$

G (and L) from the lattice

Solve the equation for G and L using the lattice data as input



Solutions' features

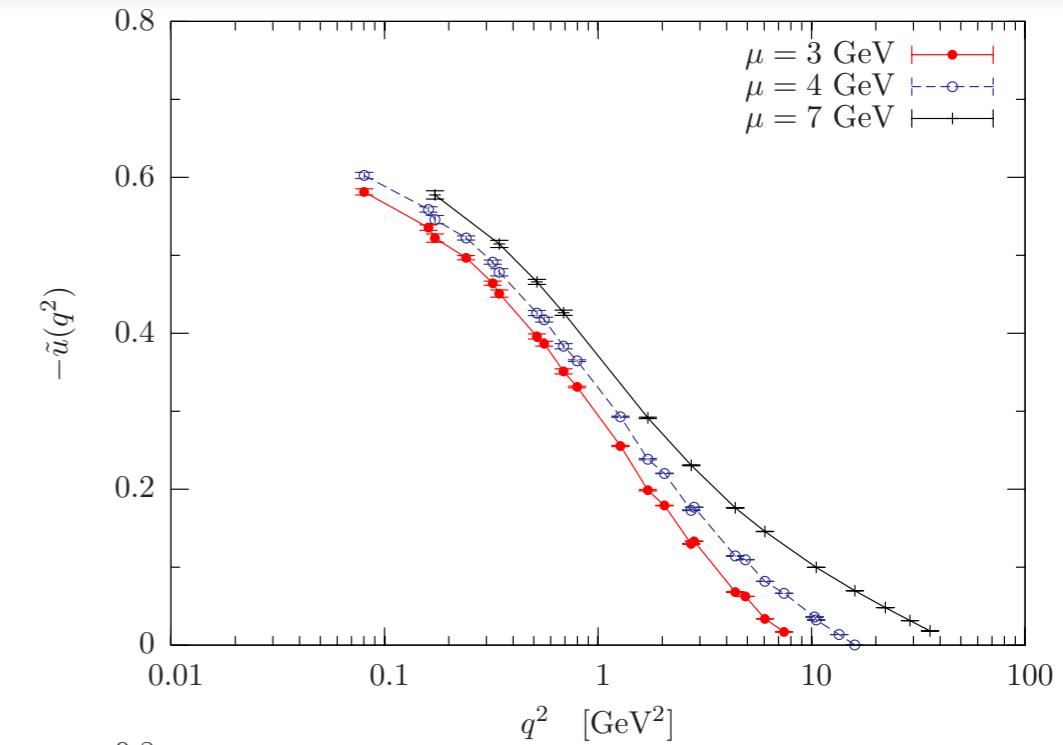
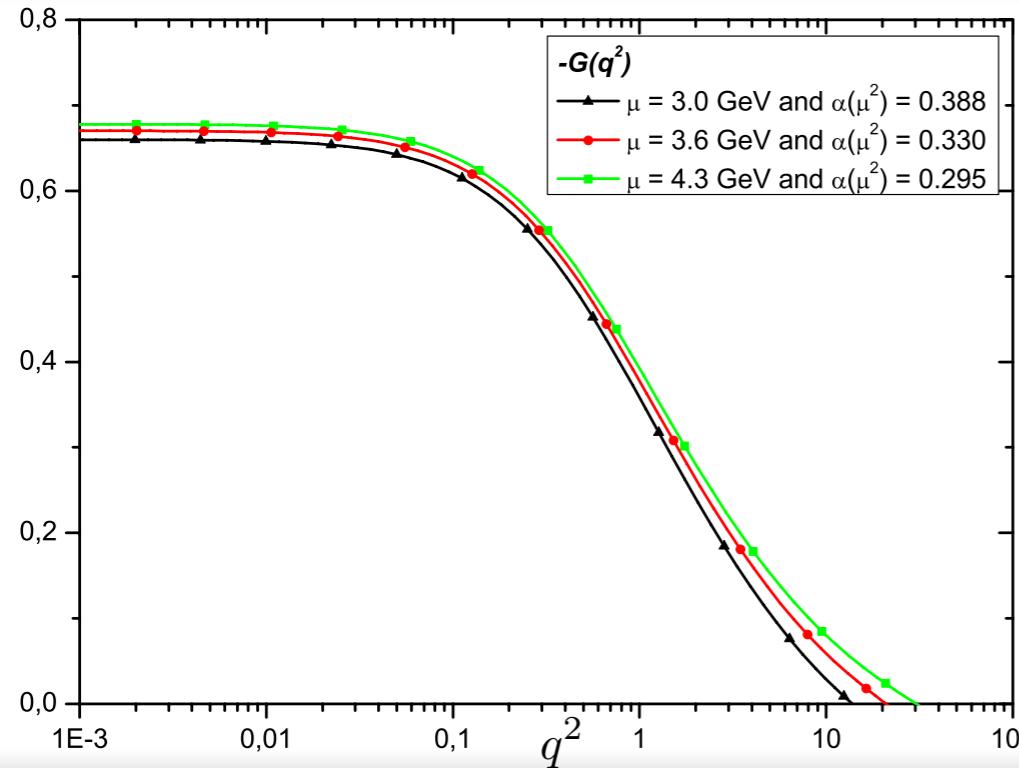
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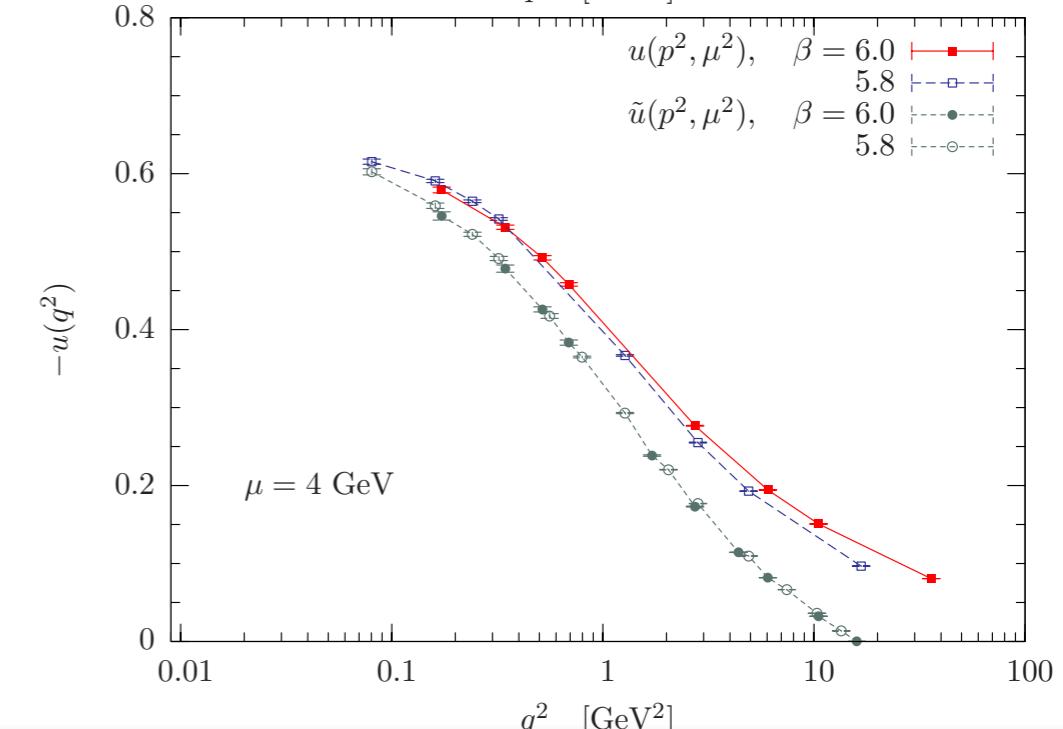
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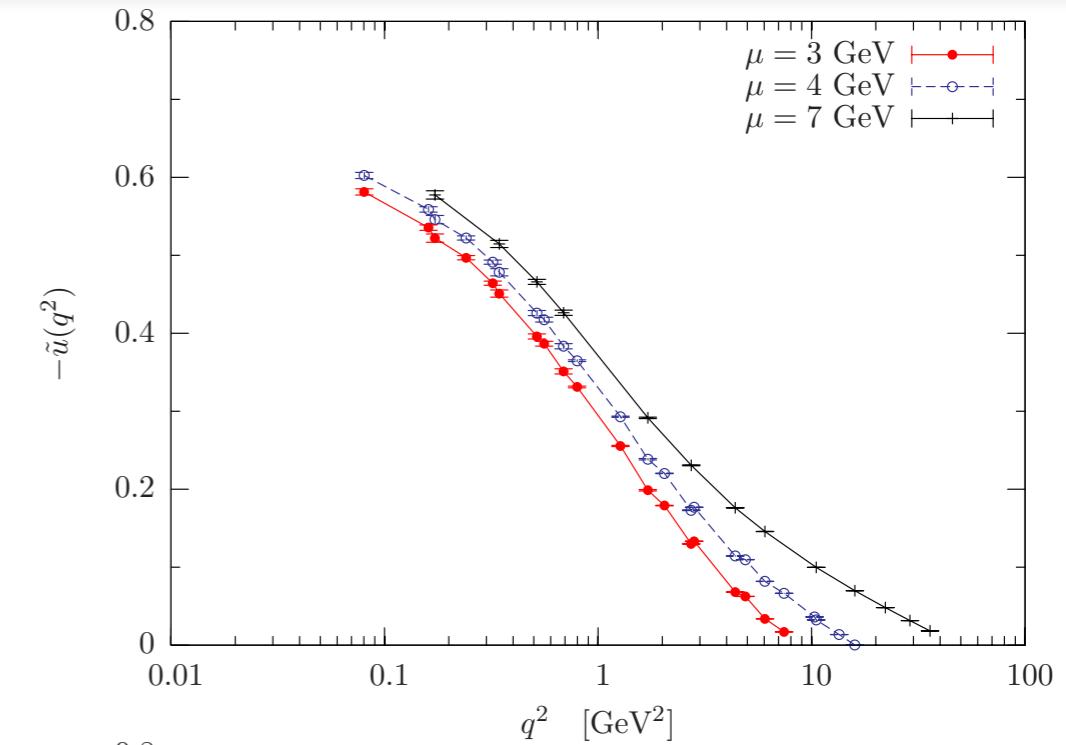
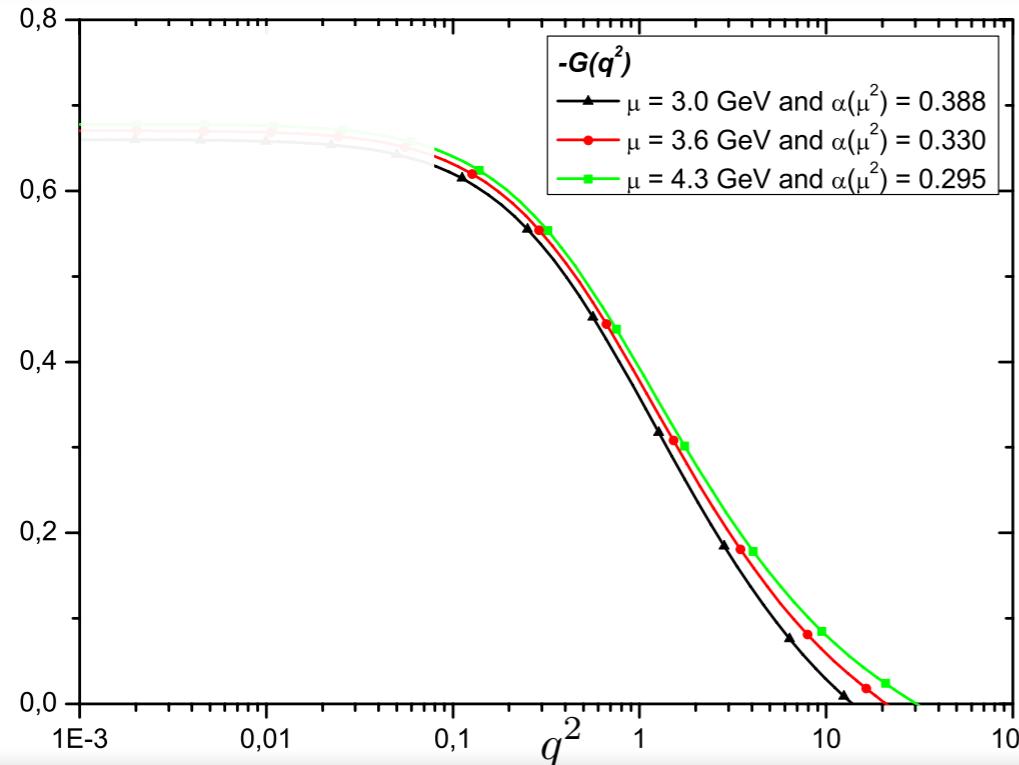
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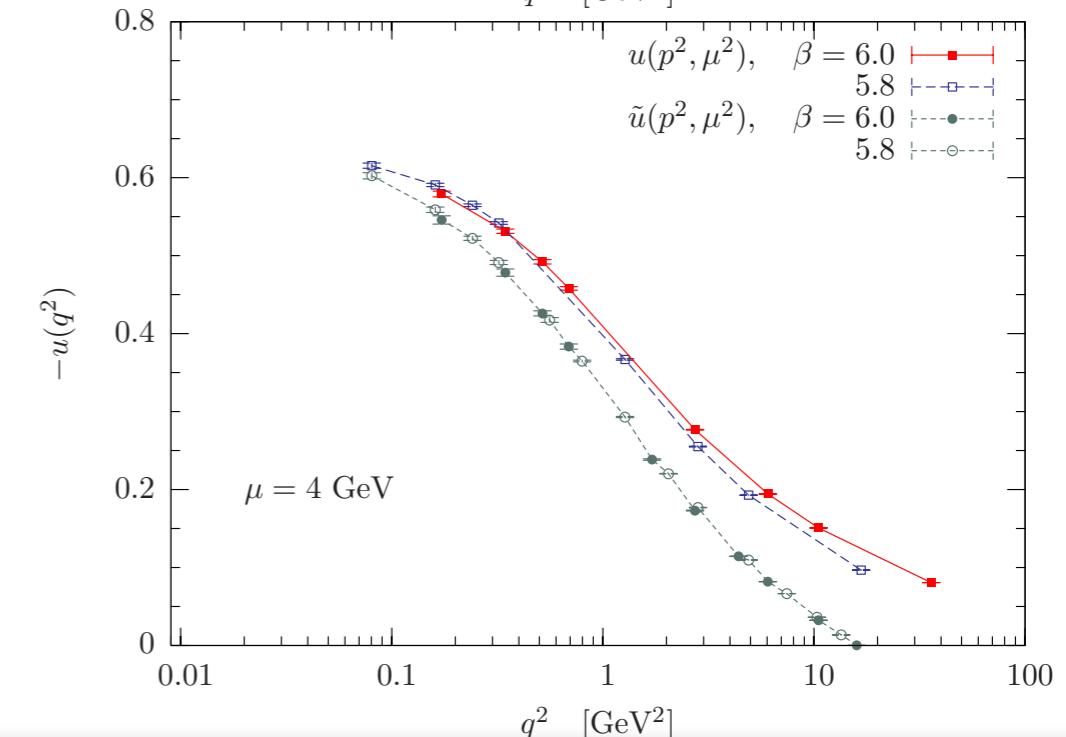
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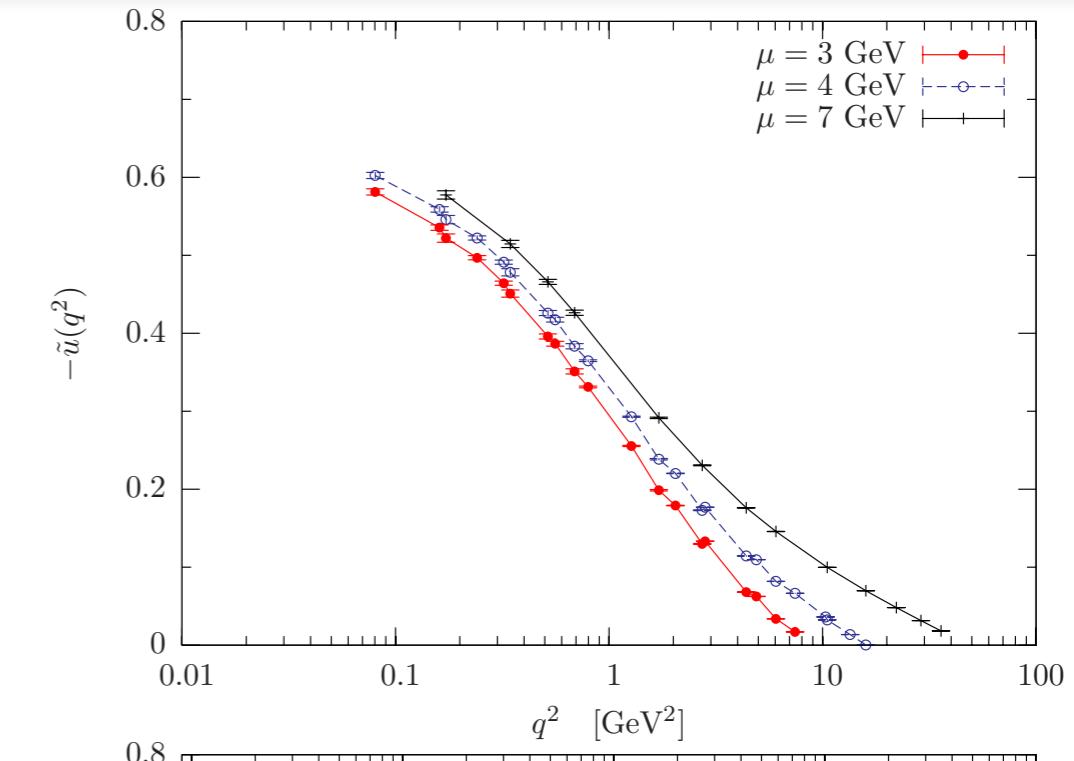
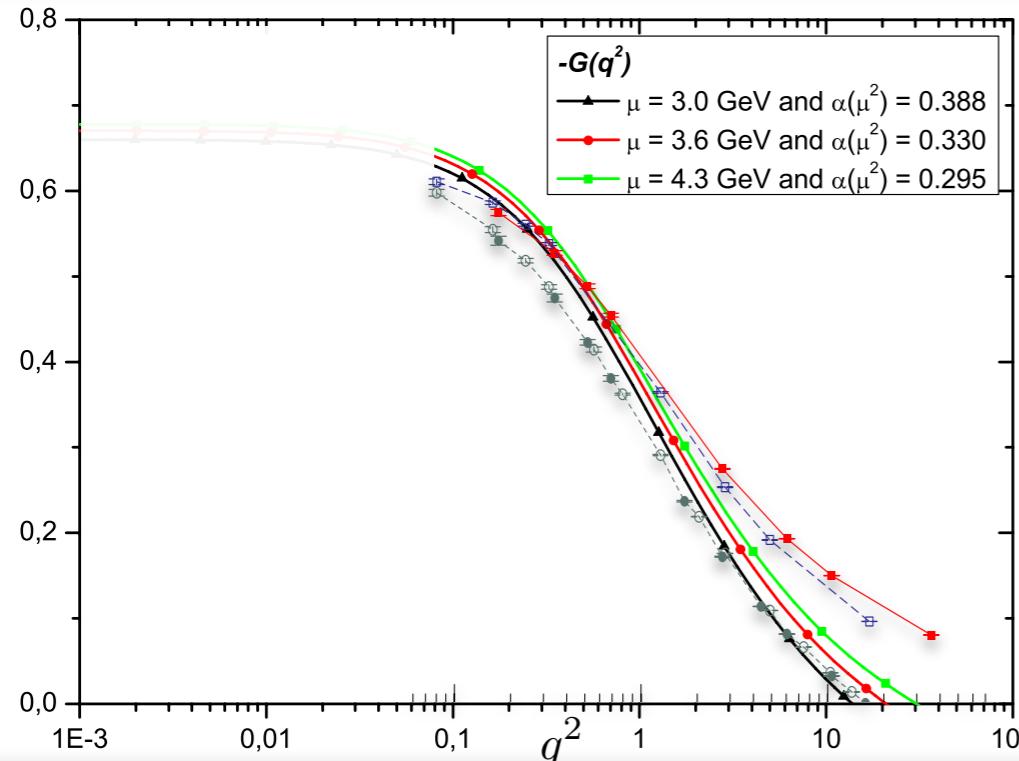
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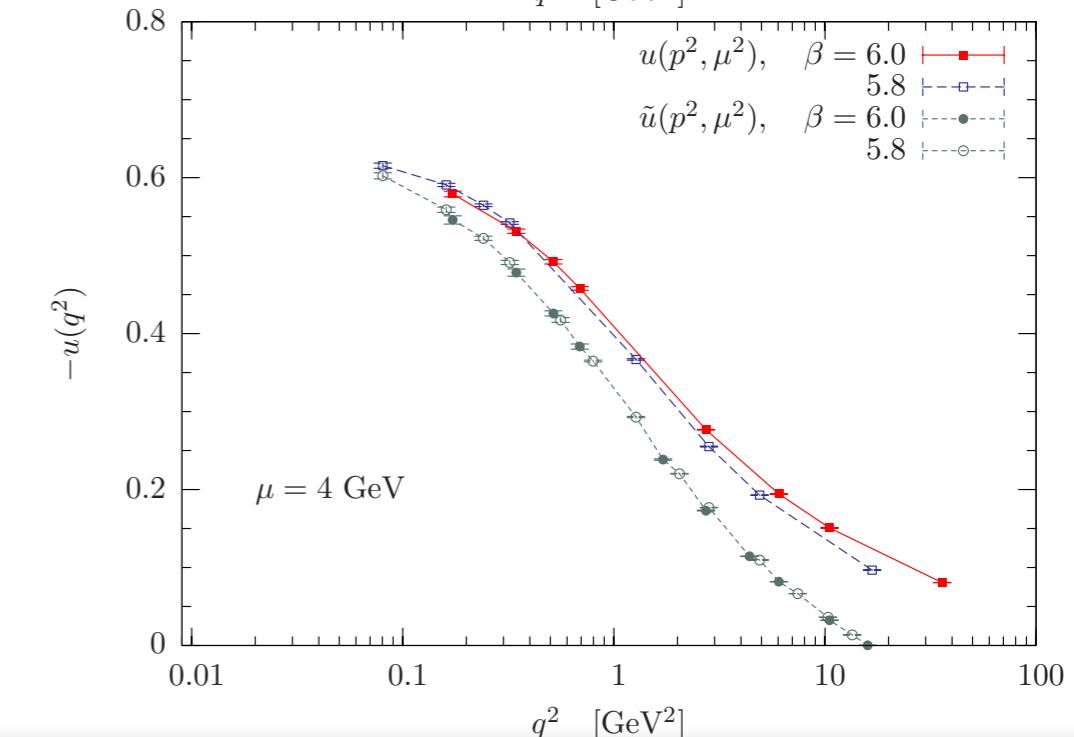
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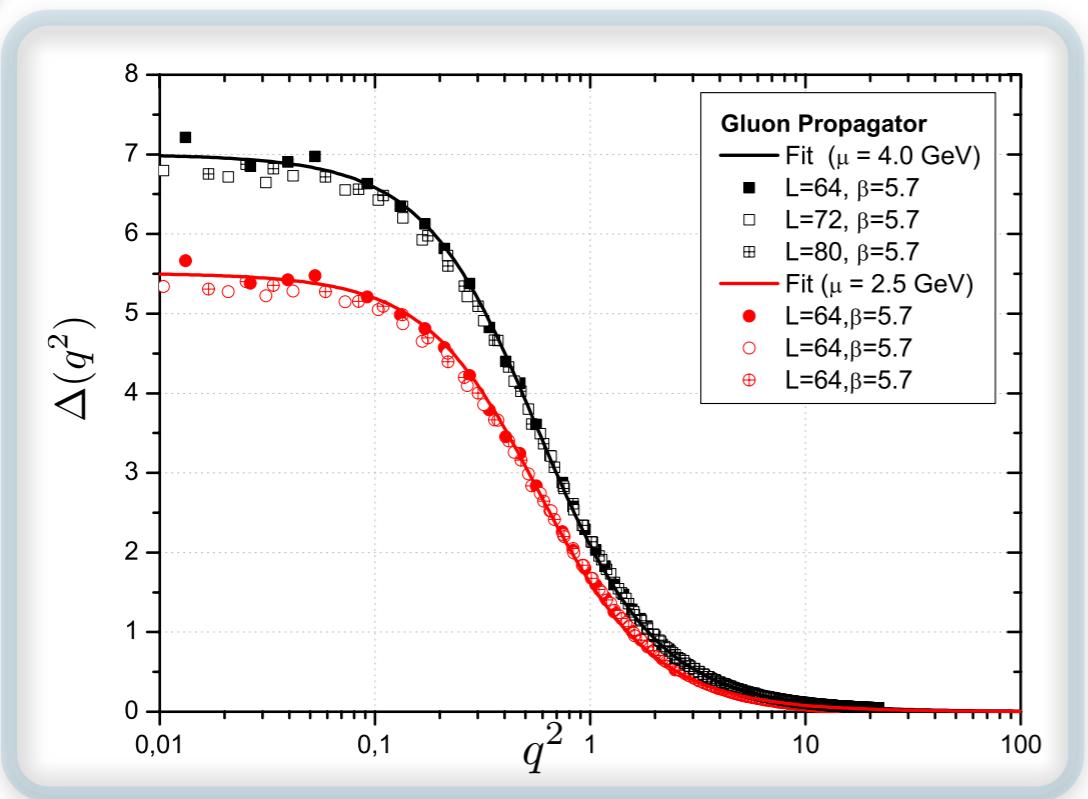
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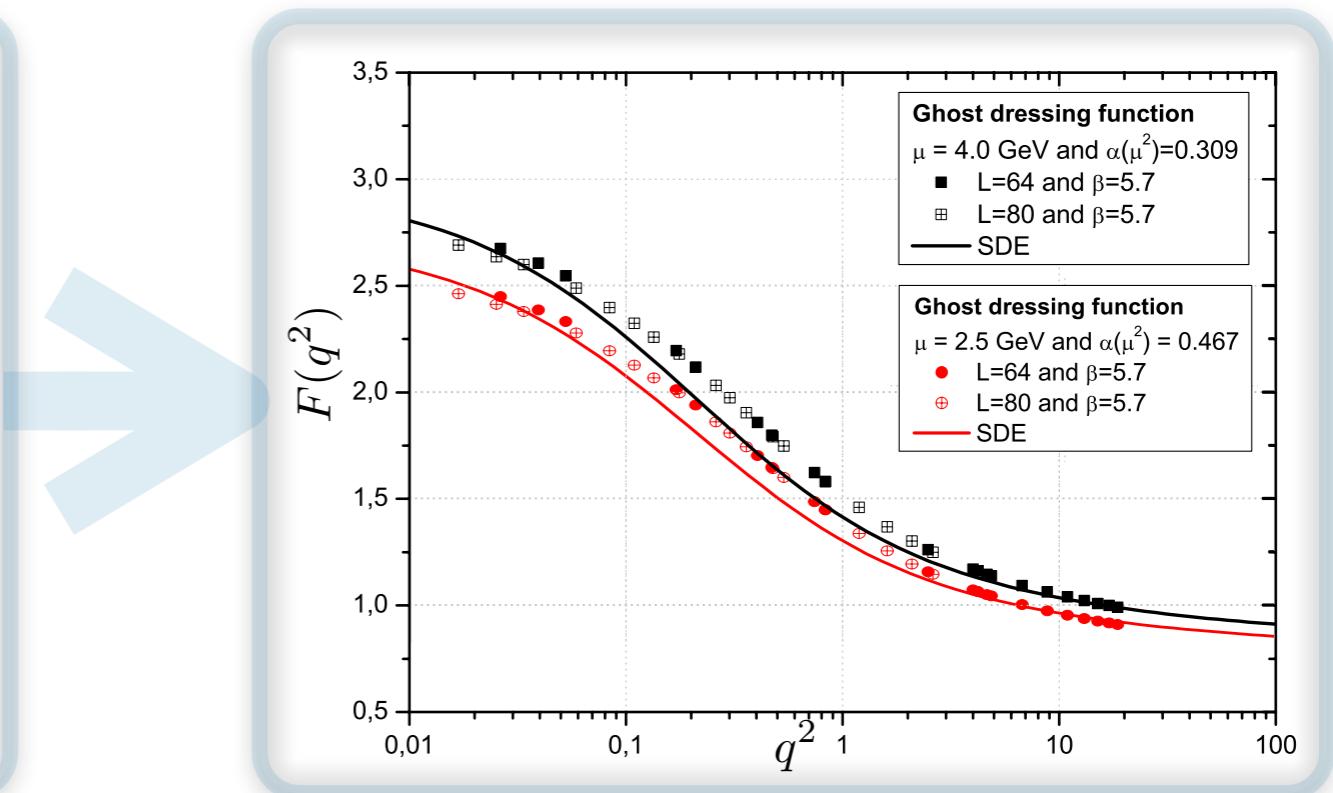
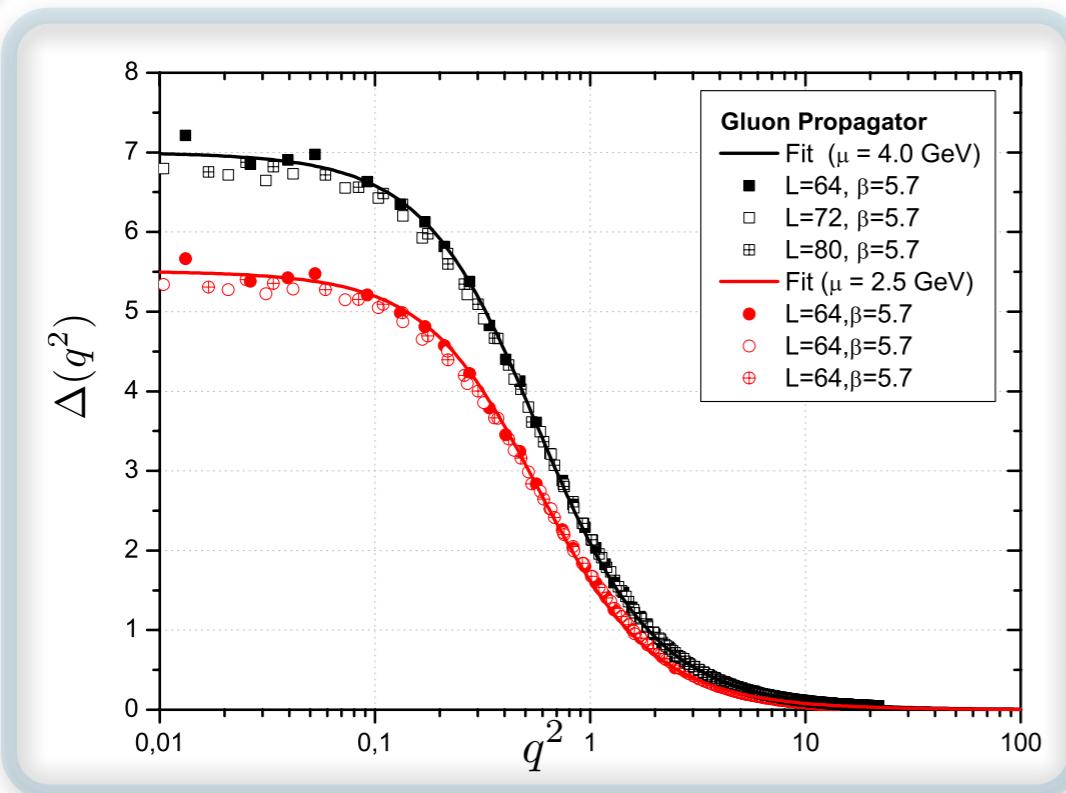
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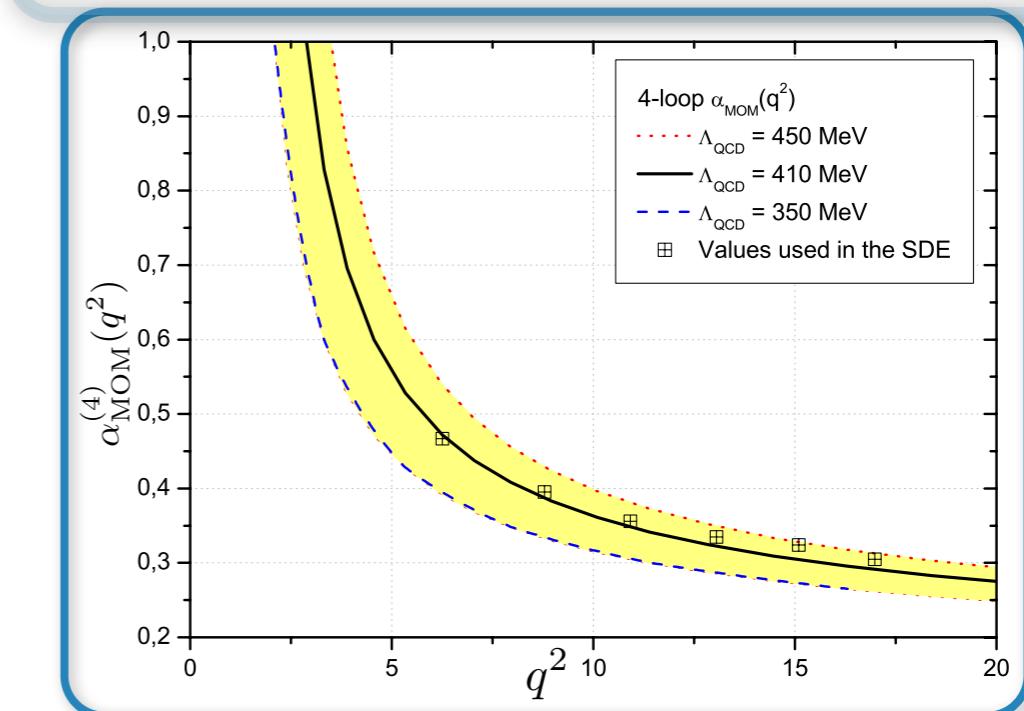
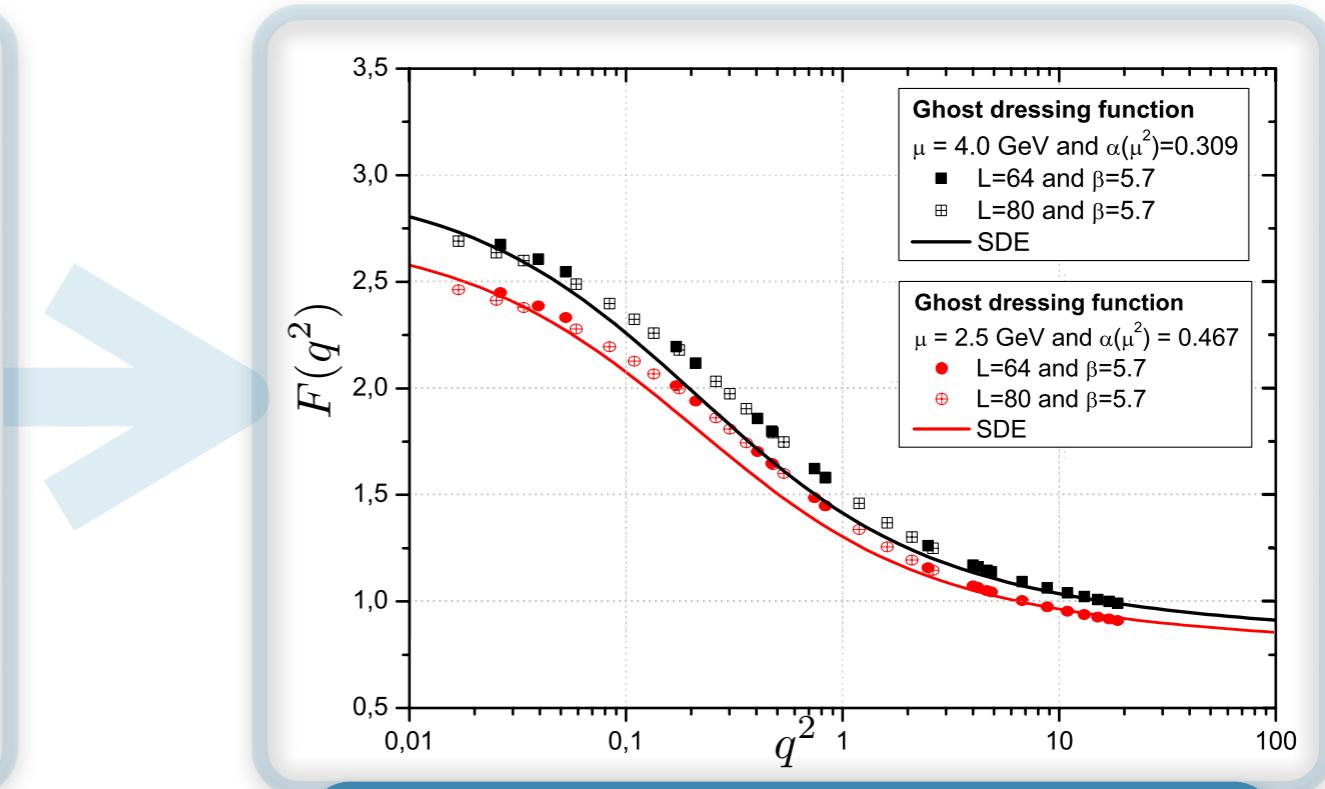
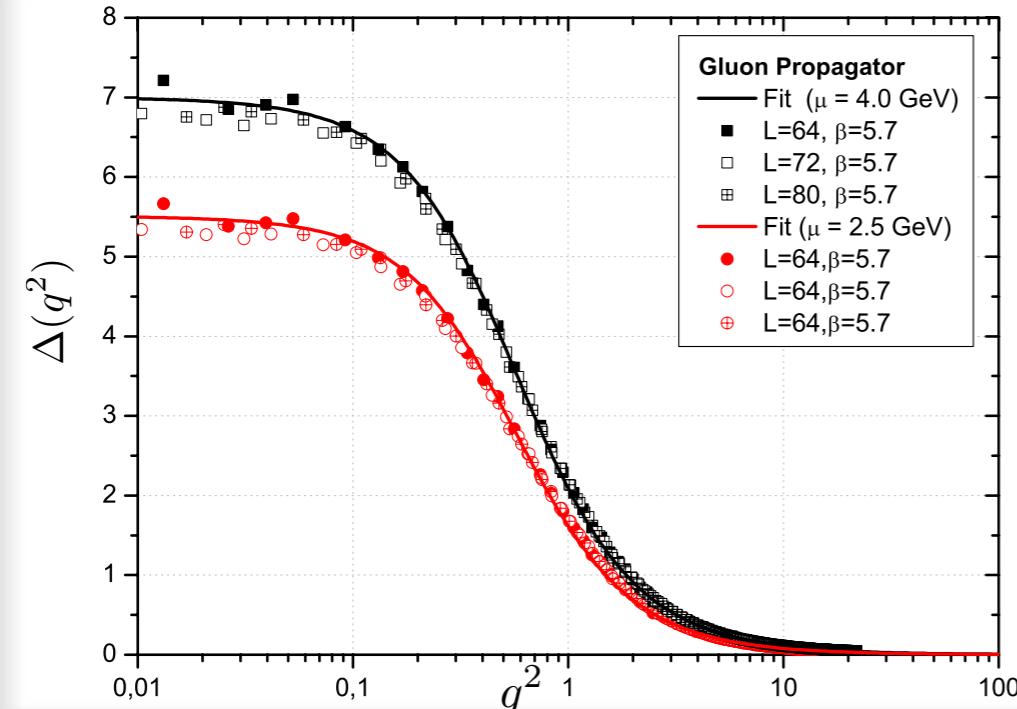


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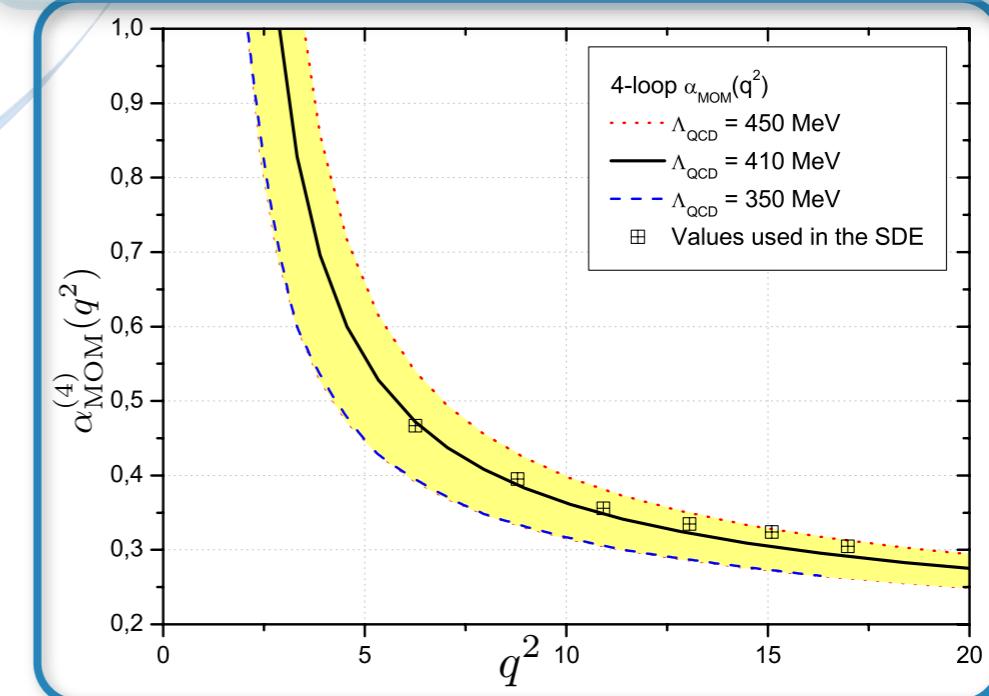
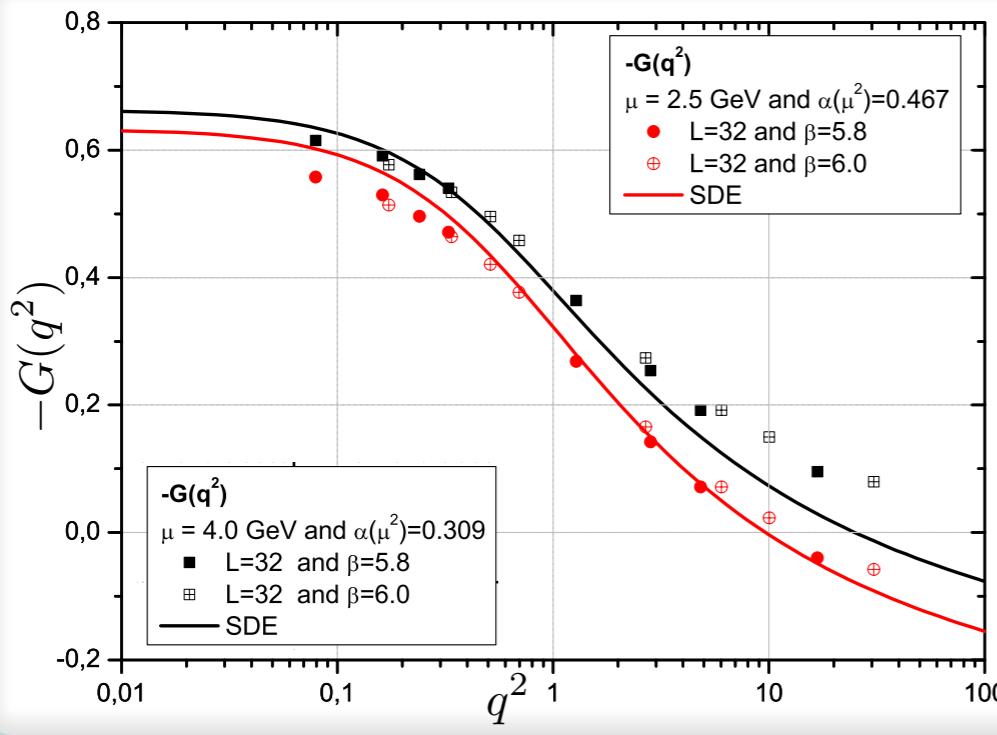
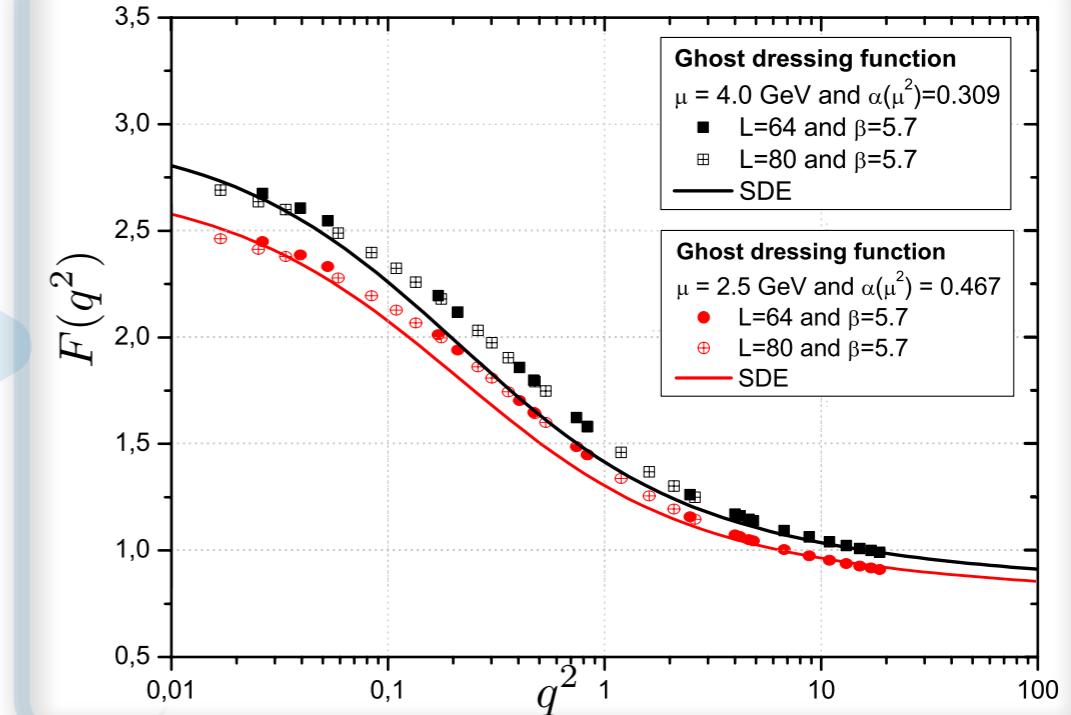
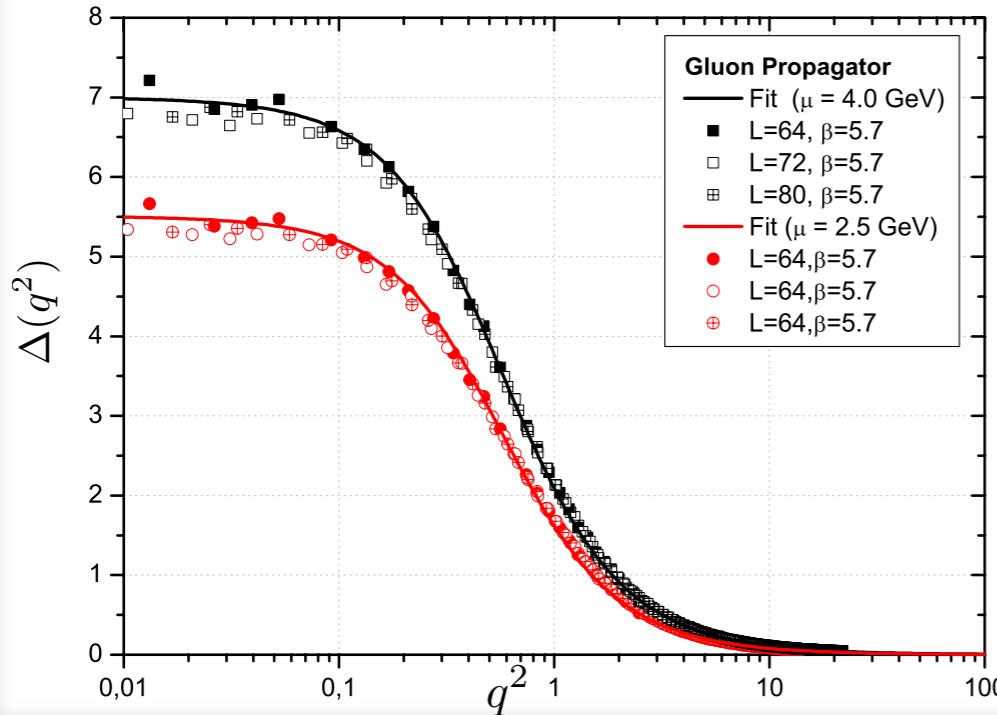
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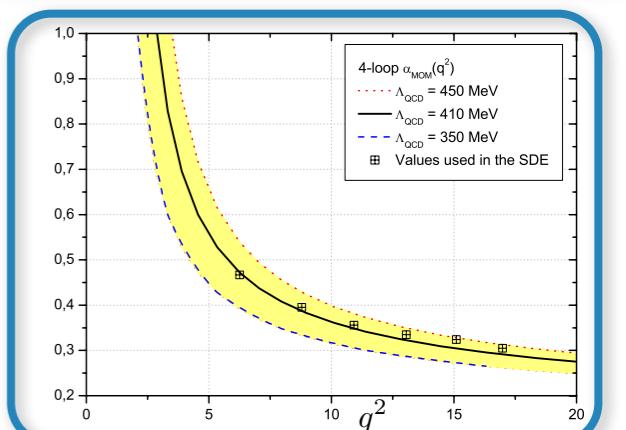
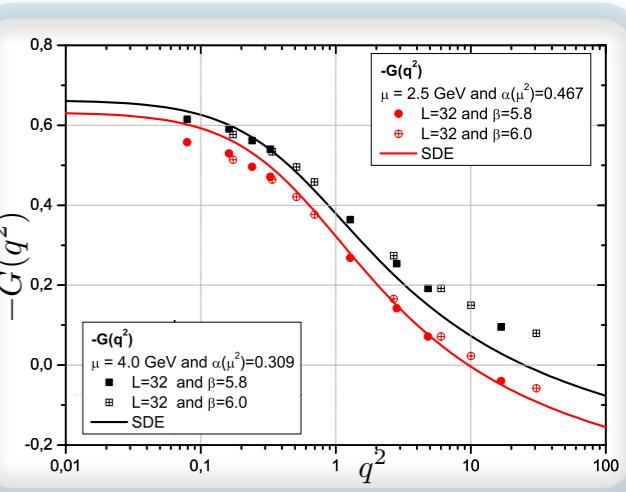
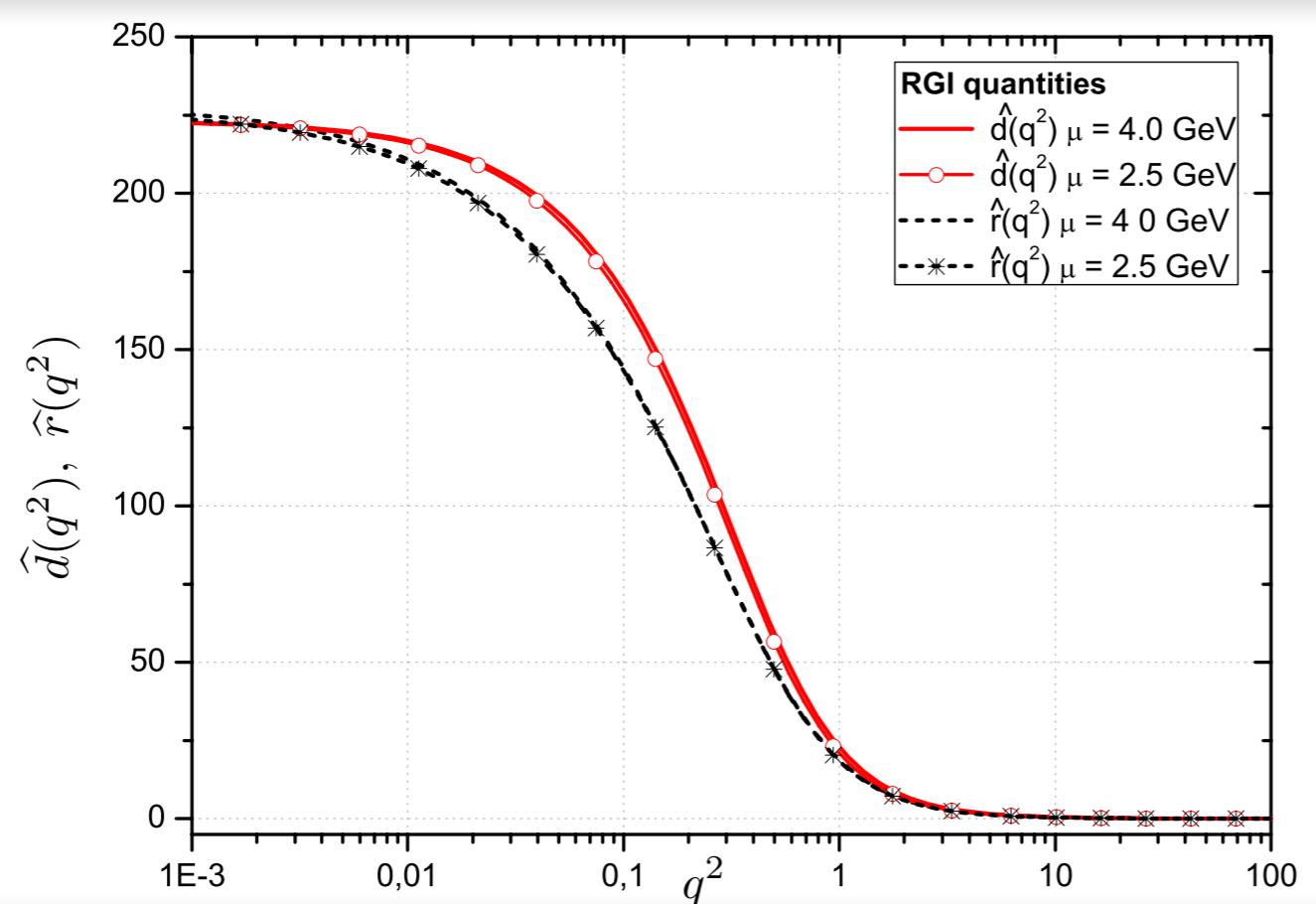
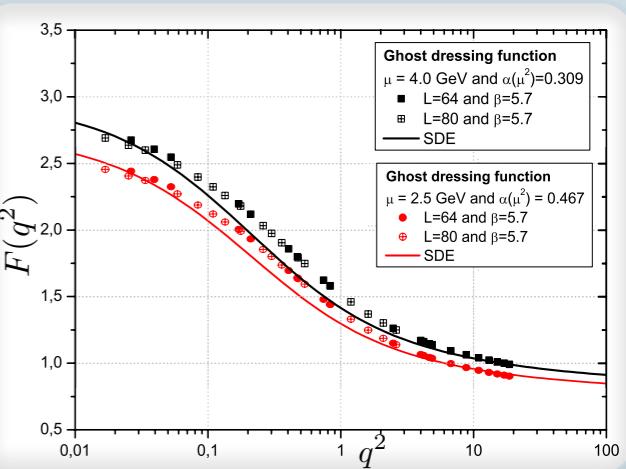
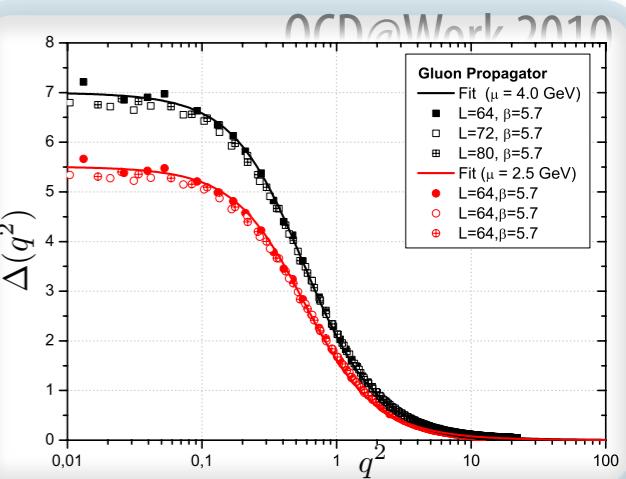
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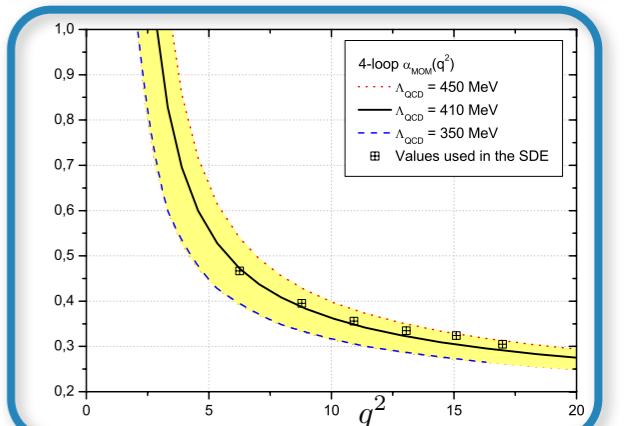
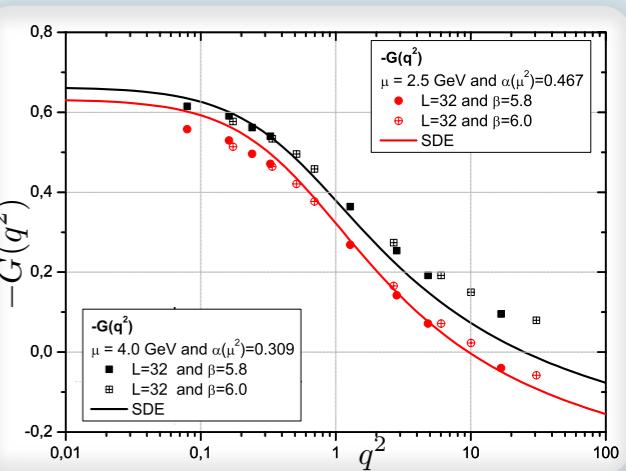
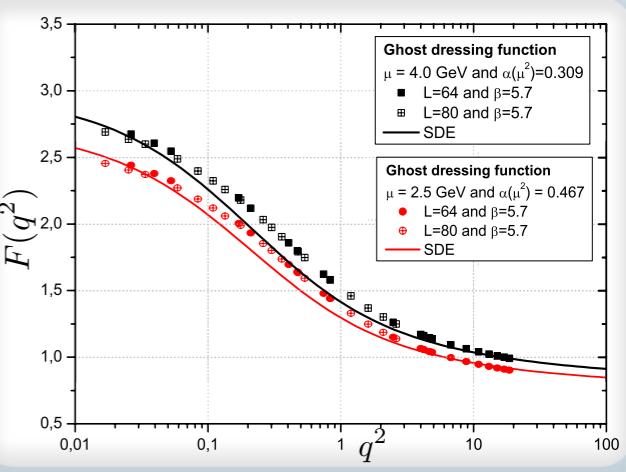
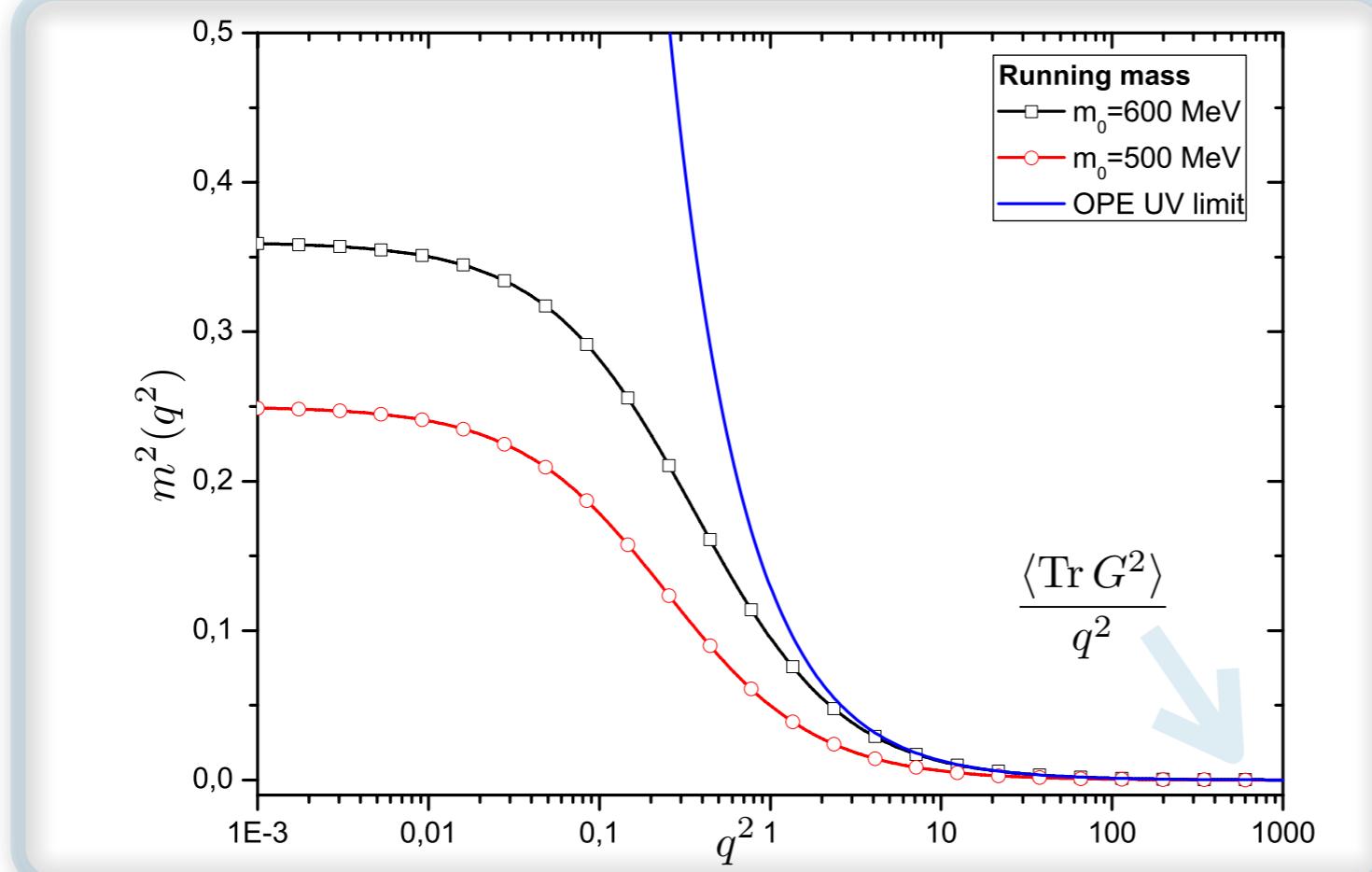
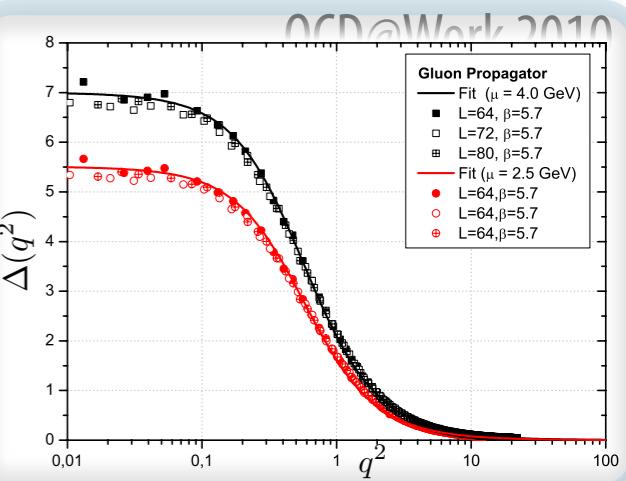
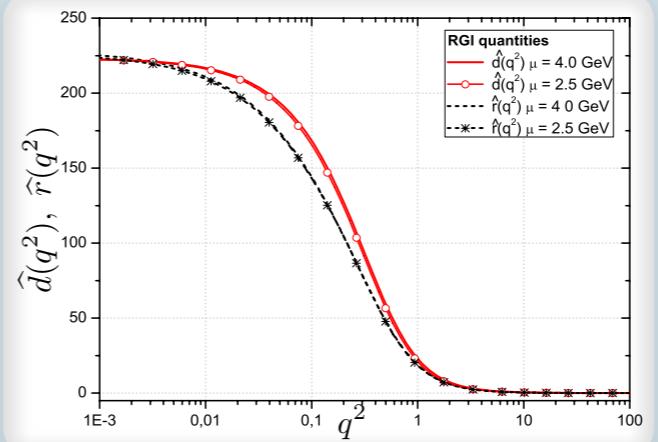
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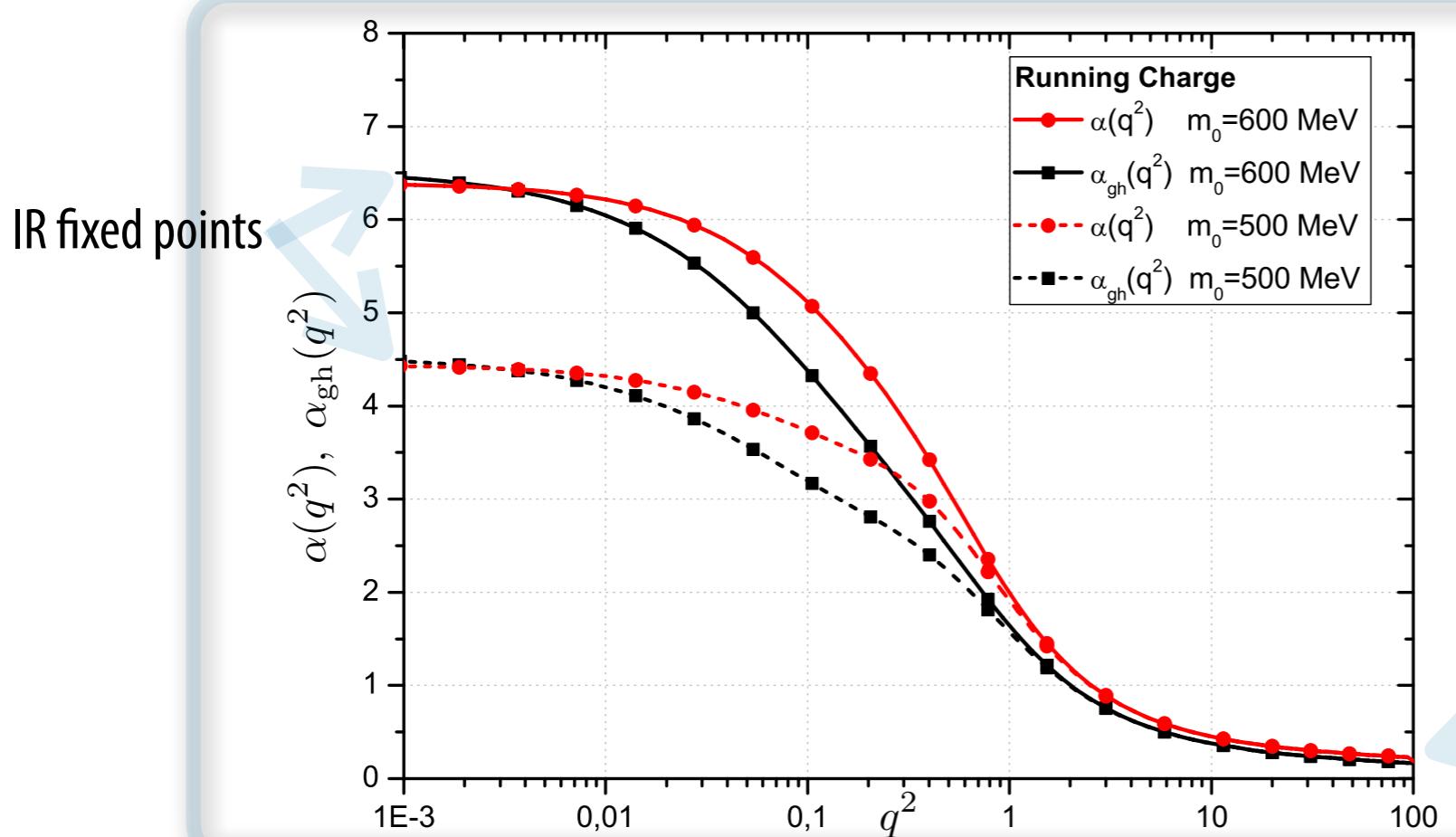
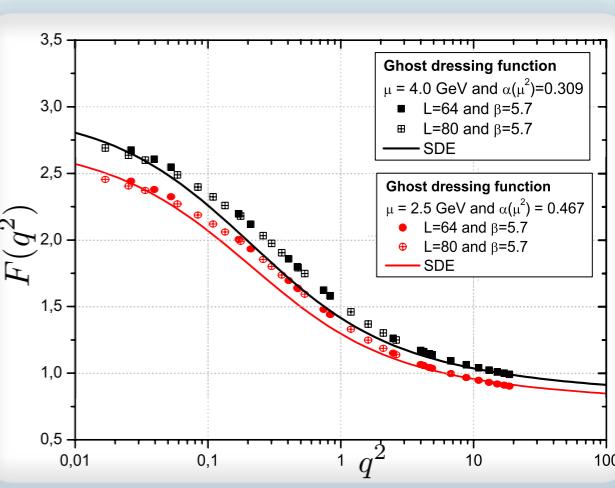
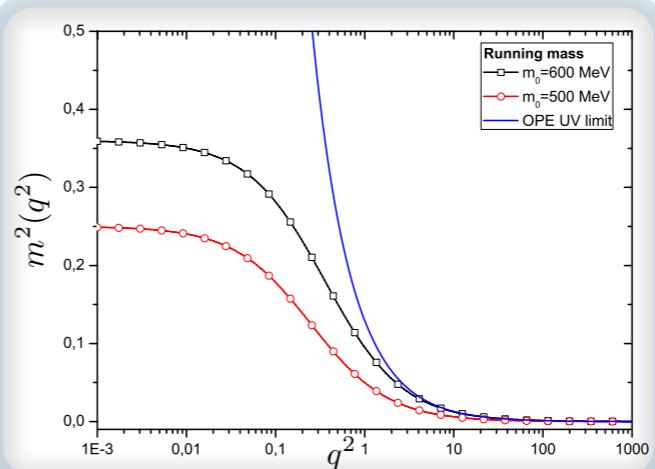
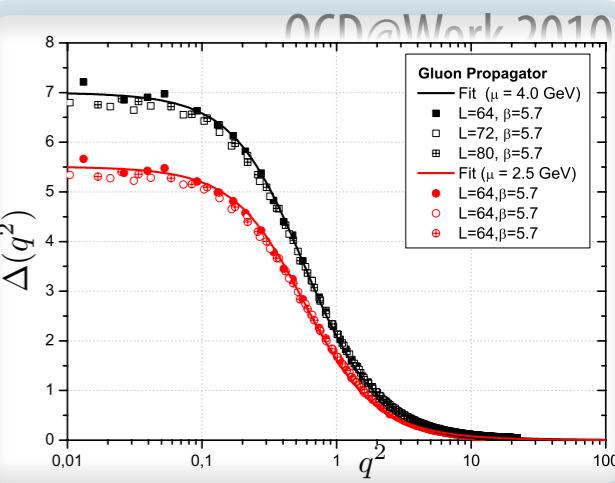
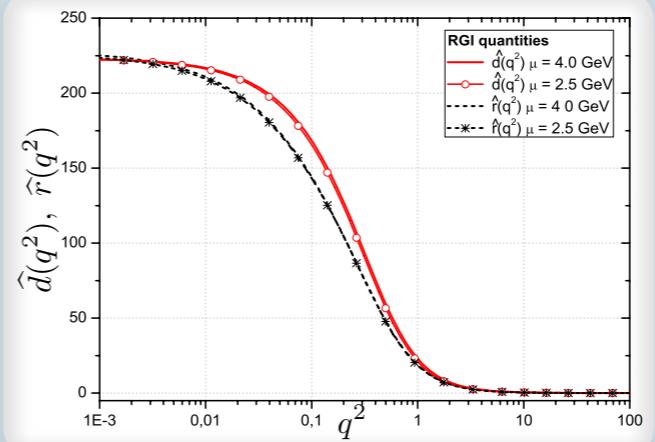
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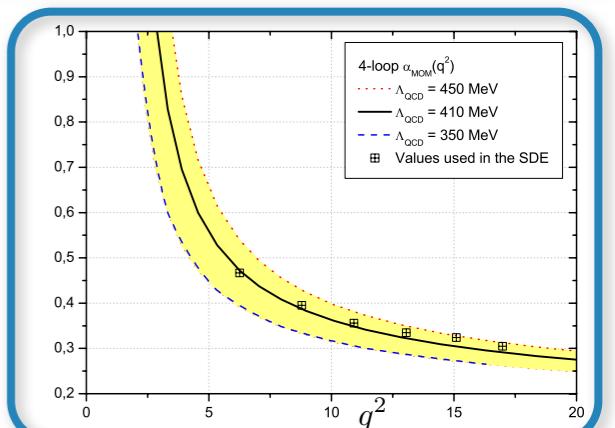
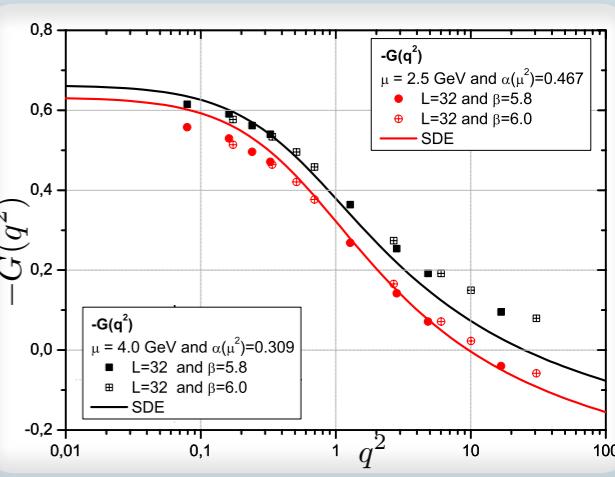
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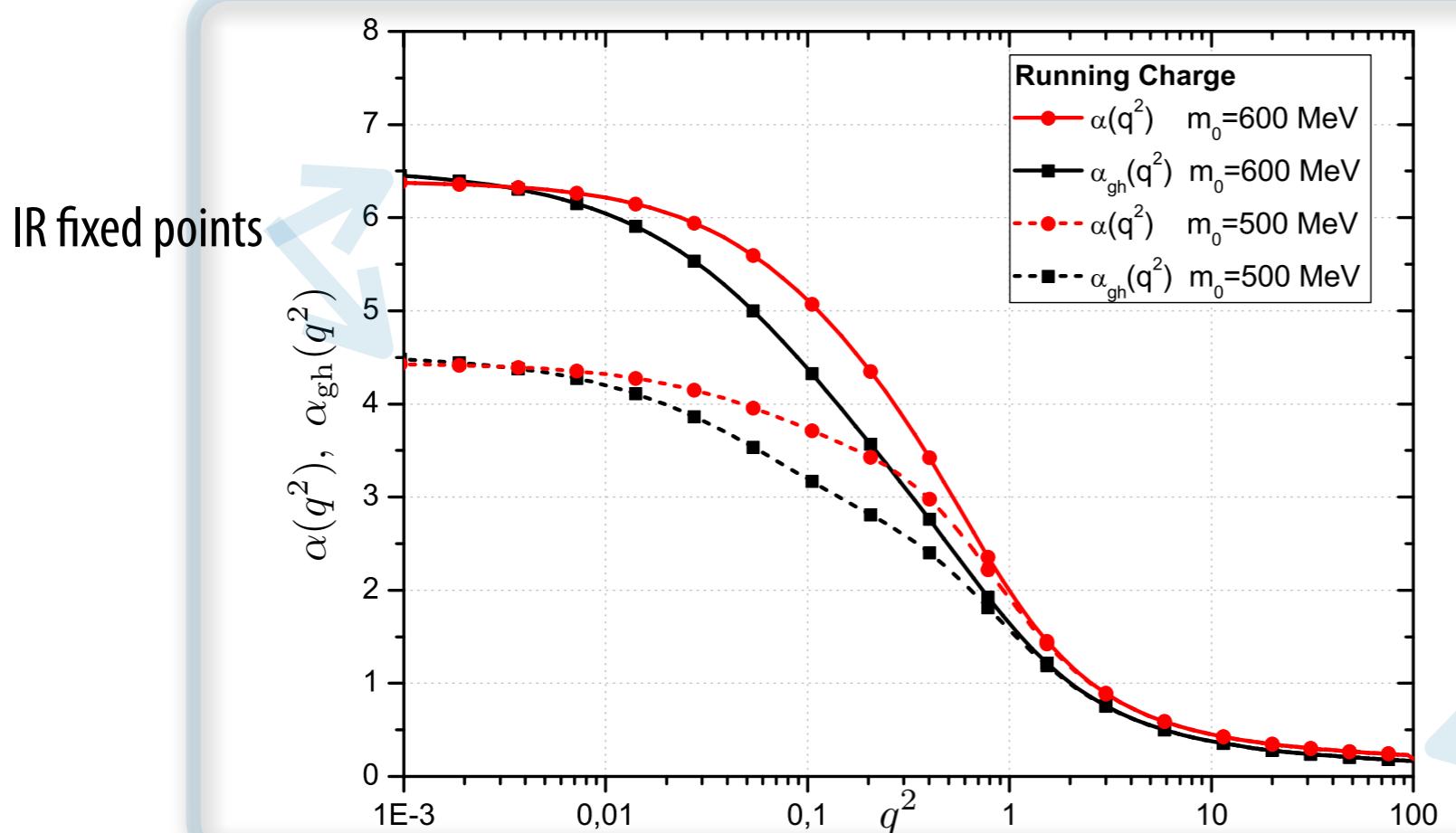
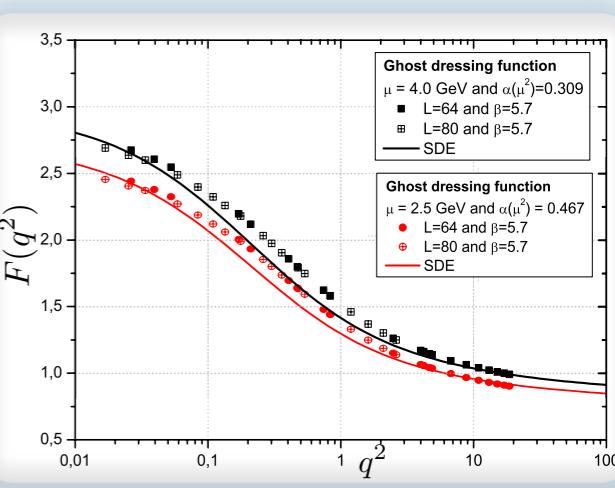
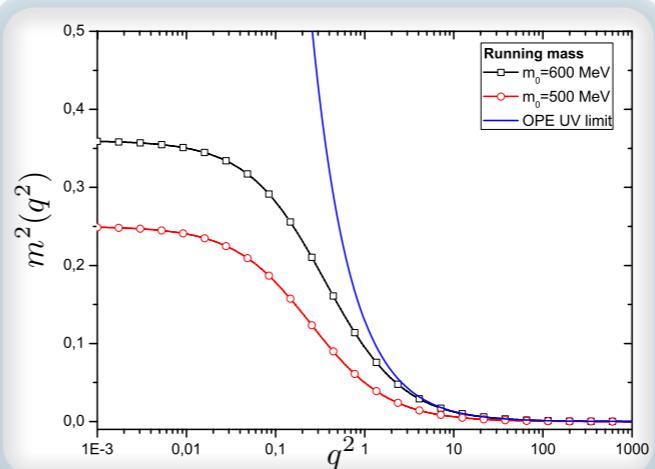
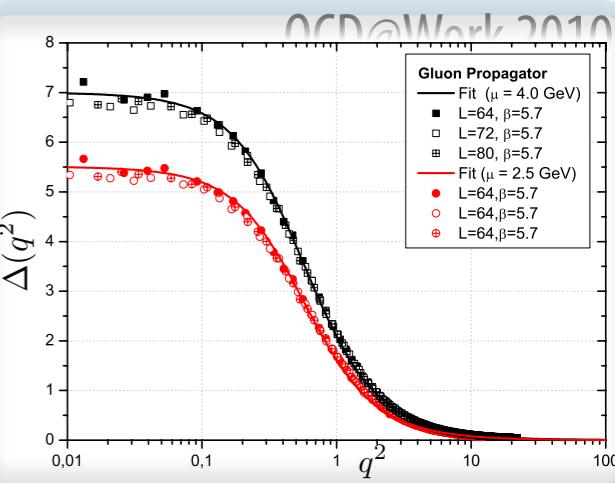
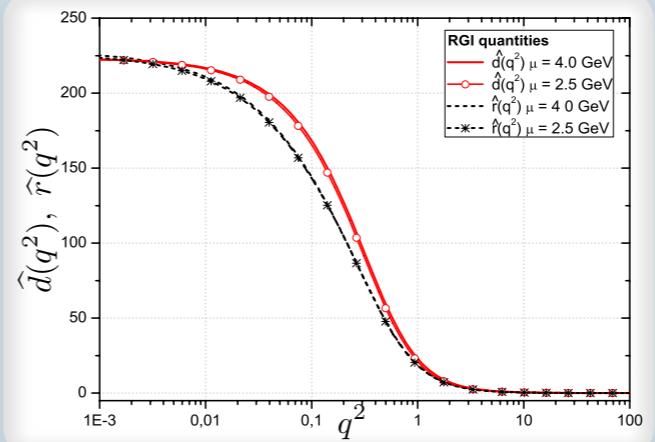
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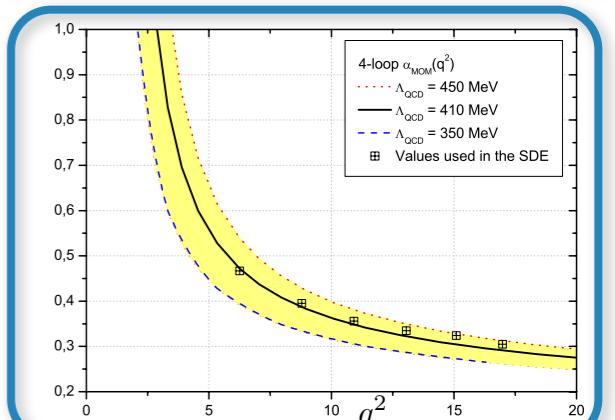
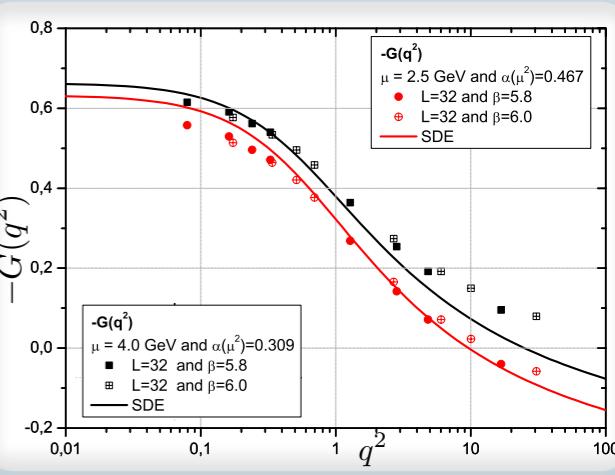
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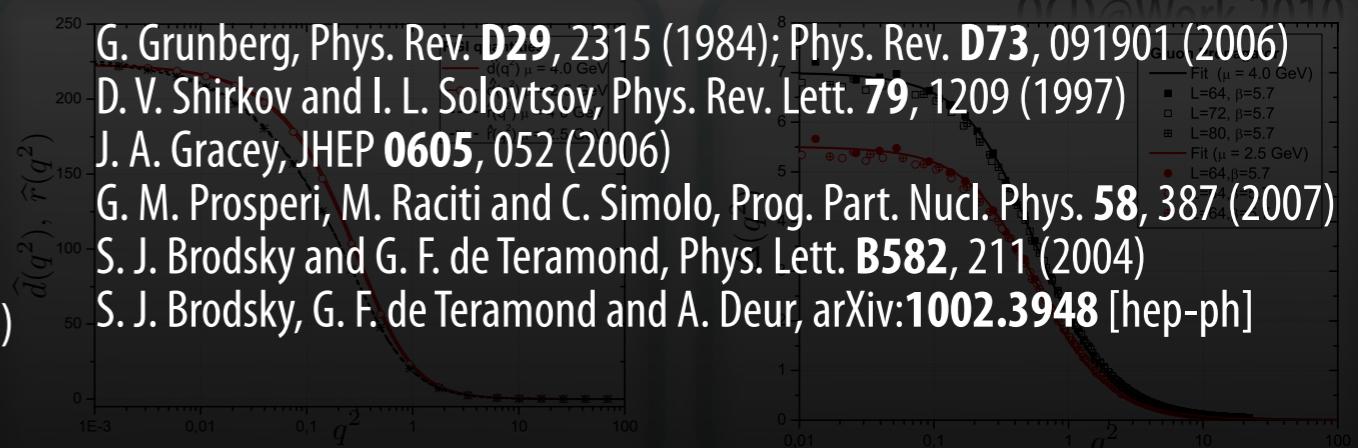
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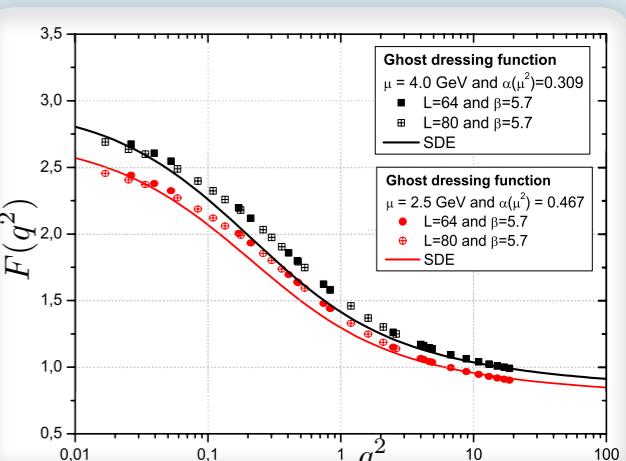
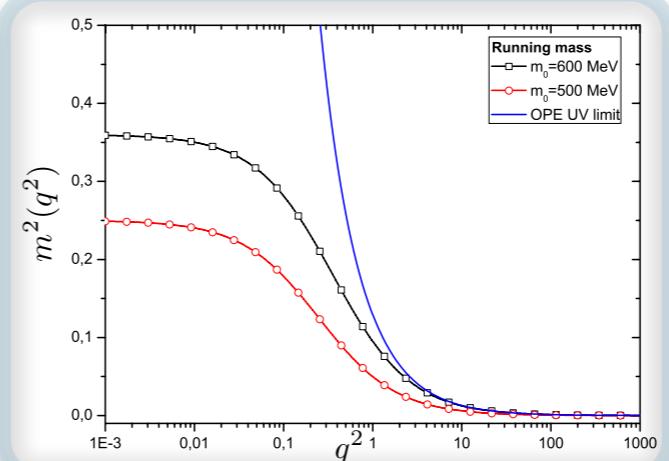
2. Construct the two RGI combinations
 $\hat{d}(q^2)$ and $\hat{r}(q^2)$

3. Determine the running mass

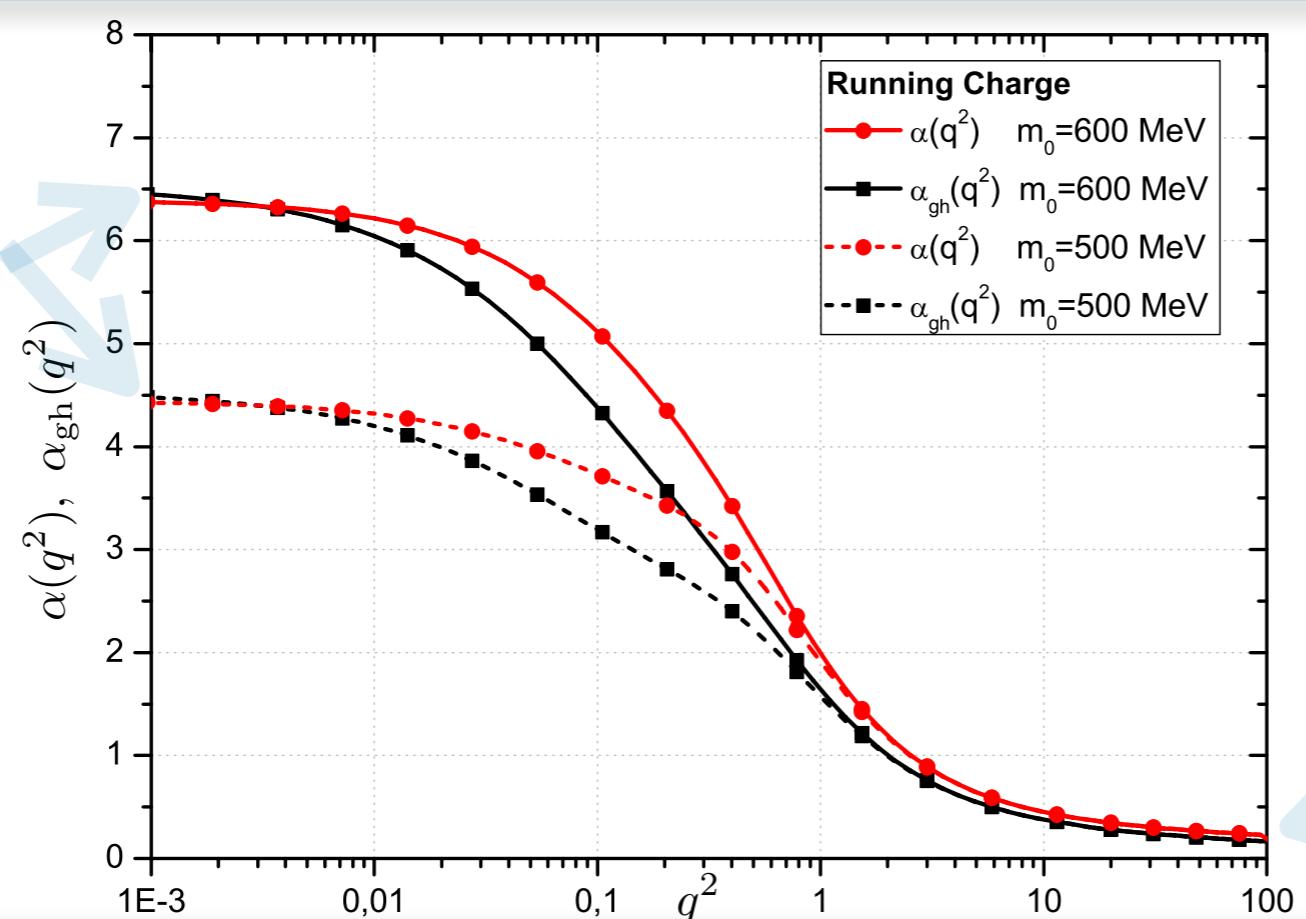
4. Construct the effective charge(s)

$$\alpha(q^2) = [q^2 + m^2(q^2)]\hat{d}(q^2)$$

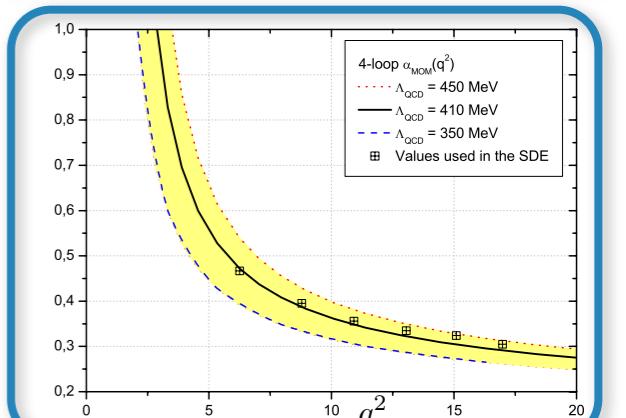
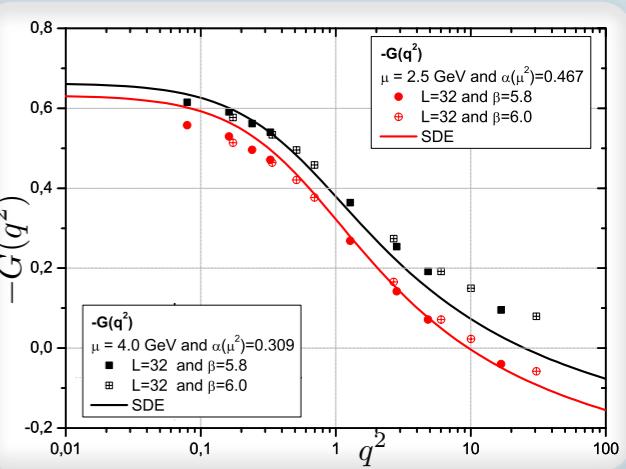
$$\alpha_{gh}(q^2) = [q^2 + m^2(q^2)]\hat{r}(q^2)$$



IR fixed points



Asymptotic freedom



Conclusions & Outlook

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Lattice data in $d=3,4$ shows clean evidence for

- IR saturation of the gluon propagator and the ghost dressing function



IR saturation points towards **dynamical gluon mass generation**

Understanding this behavior in the continuum formulation of QCD is bound to teach us a great deal about QCD non-perturbative dynamics



Schwinger's mechanism @ work in $d=3,4$?

A dynamically generated gluon mass

- ✓ **Keeps the theory confined**
- ✓ **Opens up a conformal window**

conclusions and outlook

Gluon and ghost propagators

- Get better agreement with lattice data
- What happens in 2d?

Finite temperature

- PT-BFM beyond $T=0$
- Study the deconfinement/ χ restoration temperatures and crossover

AdS/QCD

- Can we gather information about (quenched) QCD Green's functions?
- Identify high energy (small x) observables sensible to the IR dynamics

Lattice

- Detailed study of G in 4d, 3d (and 2d?)
- Calculate in gauges other than Landau
- Implement the background field method

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