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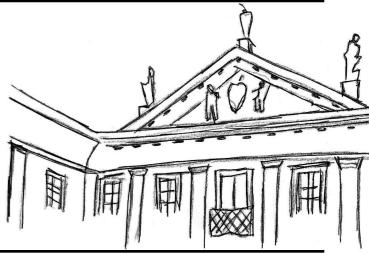


Colored bound states and dynamical gluon mass generation

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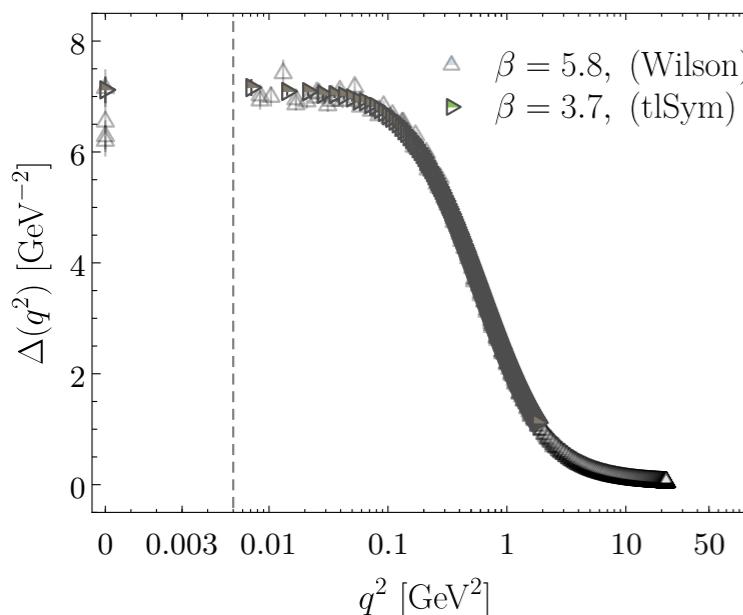
Bound states in strongly coupled systems
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Gluon propagator saturation



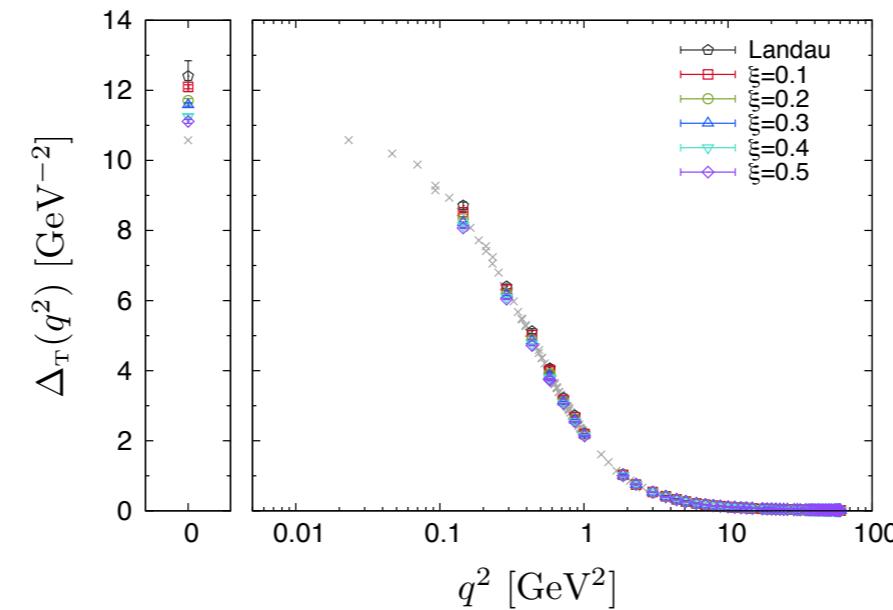
- **Landau gauge**
(quenched)

Bogolubsky, Ilgenfritz, Muller-Preussker,
Sternbeck, PLB 676 (2009)



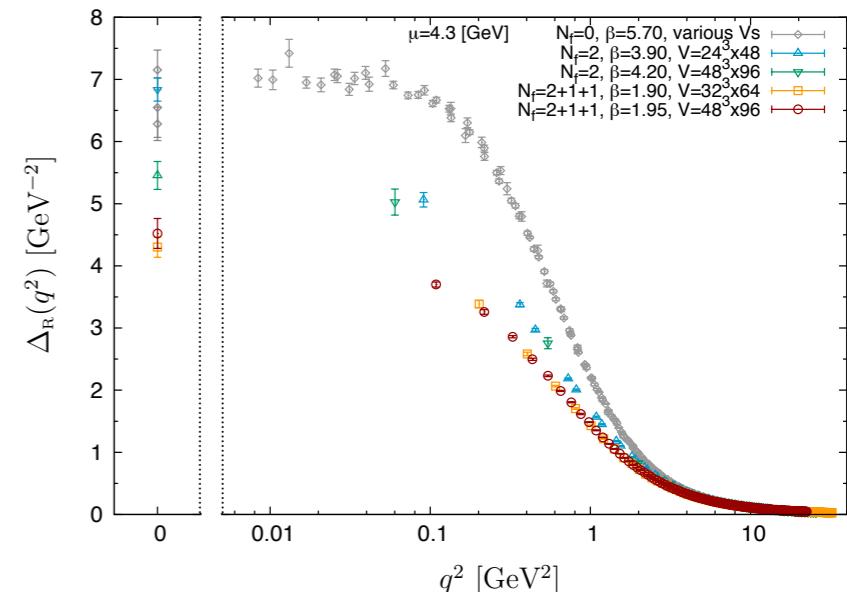
- **Linear gauges**
(quenched)

Bicudo, DB, Cardoso, Oliveira, Silva,
PRD 92 (2015)



- **Landau gauge**
(unquenched)

Ayala, Bashir, DB, Cristoforetti,
Rodriguez-Quintero, PRD 86 (2012)



- **Can be explained through “dynamical gluon mass generation”**
generates running mass protecting (most of) perturbative logs

Cornwall, PRD 26 (1982)

- **Gluon propagator saturation: emergent phenomenon**
low level rules producing high level phenomena with enormous apparent complexity

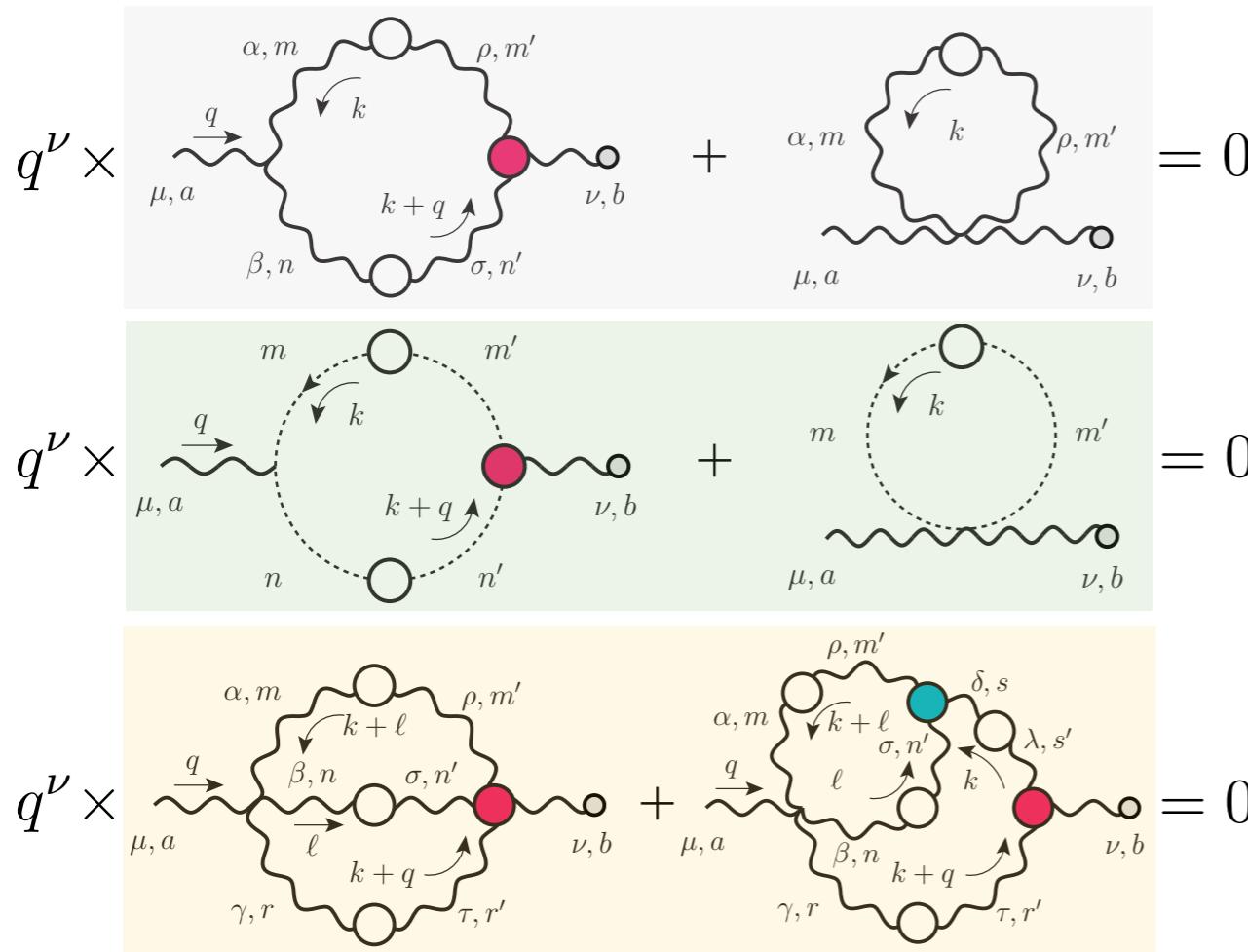
PT-BFM framework



- **Resummed gluon SDE**
expressed in terms of QB self-energy

$$\Delta^{-1}(q^2)P_{\mu\nu}(q) = \frac{q^2 P_{\mu\nu}(q) + i\tilde{\Pi}_{\mu\nu}(q)}{1 + G(q^2)}$$

- **Stronger version of transversality**
allows gauge invariant truncation



- **G function known**
constrained by antiBRST symmetry

DB, Quadri, PRD 88 (2013)

$$1 + G(0) = F^{-1}(0)$$

- **Divergence of B legs**
gives rise to Abelian STIs

$$q^\nu \tilde{\Gamma}_{\nu\alpha\beta}(q, r, p) = i\Delta_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}(r) - i\Delta_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}(p)$$

$$q^\nu \tilde{\Gamma}_\nu(q, r, p) = iD^{-1}(r^2) - iD^{-1}(p^2)$$

$$q^\nu \tilde{\Gamma}_{\nu\alpha\beta\gamma}^{mnrs}(q, r, p, t) = f^{mse} f^{ern} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(r, p, q + t) + f^{mne} f^{esr} \Gamma_{\beta\gamma\alpha}(p, t, q + r) + f^{mre} f^{ens} \Gamma_{\gamma\alpha\beta}(t, r, q + p)$$

$\Delta(0)$ in the absence of poles



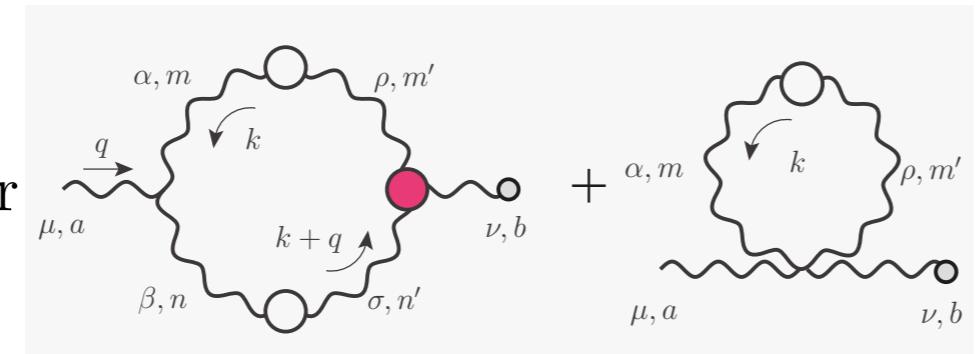
- **Abelian STI for BQ^2 and BQ^3 vertices:**

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- **Plug into BQ gluon self-energy:**

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



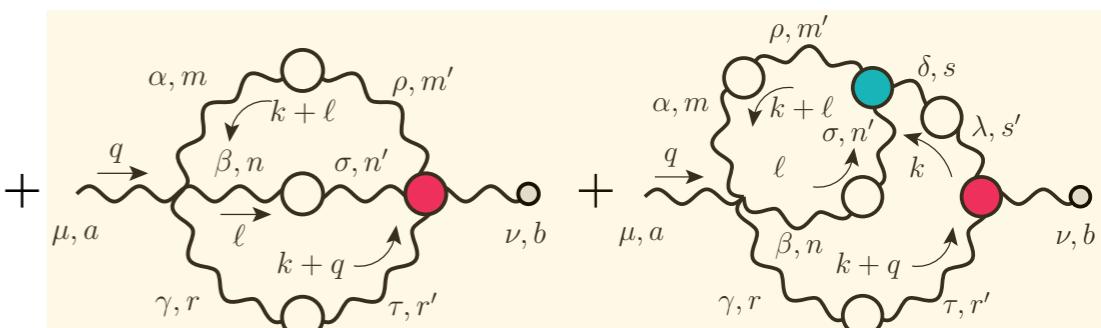
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$$\int_k \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} [k_\mu \Delta(k^2)]$$

- **Taylor expand around $q=0$ assuming no $1/q^2$ poles are present**

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu\alpha\beta}(0, r, -r) = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial r^\mu} \Delta_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}(r)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu\alpha\beta\gamma}^{mnrs}(0, -r, -p, r + p) &= -f^{mne} f^{esr} \frac{\partial}{\partial r^\mu} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(-r, -p, r + p) \\ &\quad + f^{mre} f^{ens} \frac{\partial}{\partial p^\mu} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(-r, -p, r + p) \end{aligned}$$



$$+ \int_k \frac{\partial}{\partial k_\mu} [k_\mu \Delta(k^2) Y(k^2)]$$

- **Seagull identity** $\Delta^{-1}(0) = 0$ valid independently for each diagrams set

Aguilar, DB, Figueiredo, Papavassiliou, PRD 94 (2016)

- **No gluon mass scale generation** need to relax one of the underlying assumptions...

Schwinger mechanism



- **Derivation of the $q=0$ Abelian STI**
hinges on the absence of massless poles
- **Assume now that such structures are dynamically generated in the vertex**

Schwinger, PR 125 (1962); PR 128 (1962)

Jackiw, Johnson, PRD 8 (1973)

Eichten, Feinberg, PRD 10 (1973)

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu\alpha\beta}(q, r, p) = \tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu\alpha\beta}^{\text{np}}(q, r, p) + \tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu\alpha\beta}^{\text{p}}(q, r, p)$$

- **Colored composite**
bound state excitations

- **Poles are longitudinally coupled**
do not participate in the seagull cancellation

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu\alpha\beta}^{\text{p}}(q, r, p) = \frac{q_\mu}{q^2} \tilde{C}_{\alpha\beta}(q, r, p)$$

- **5 possible form factors**
in Landau gauge only $\tilde{C}_1(q, r, p)g_{\alpha\beta}$ survives
- **Bose symmetry**
Implies $\tilde{C}_{\alpha\beta}(0, r, -r) = 0$

Evading the seagull identity



- **Vertex satisfies the same Abelian STI**

$$q^\mu \Gamma_{\mu\alpha\beta}^{\text{np}}(q, r, p) + \tilde{C}_{\alpha\beta}(q, r, p) = i\Delta_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}(r) - i\Delta_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}(p)$$

- **Expand around $q=0$**

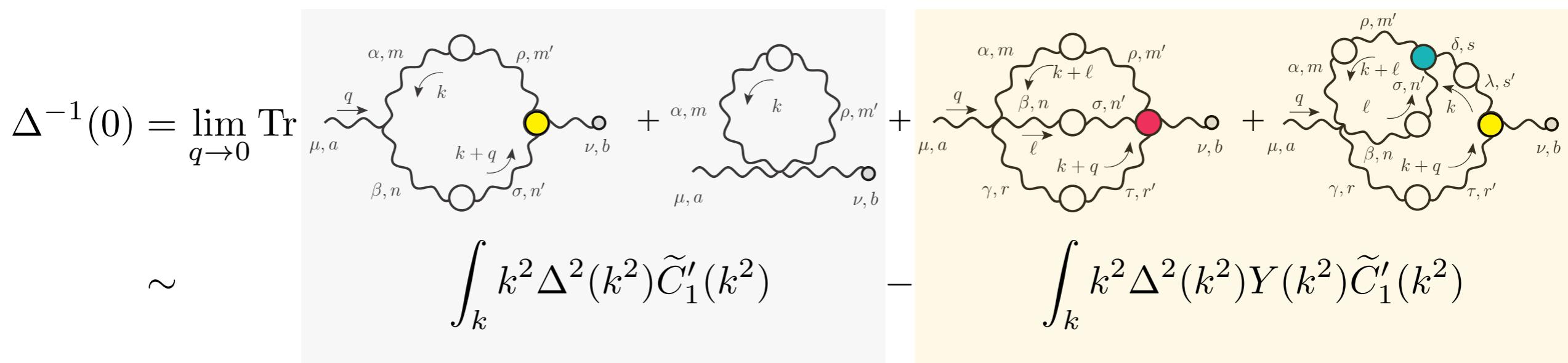
match orders in q

$$\Gamma_{\mu\alpha\beta}^{\text{np}}(0, r, -r) = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial r^\mu} \Delta_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}(r) - \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial q^\mu} \tilde{C}_{\alpha\beta}(q, r, -r - q) \right\}_{q=0}$$

- **Plug into BQ gluon self-energy again**

only no-pole part participates in the seagull identity

Aguilar, DB, Figueiredo, Papavassiliou, PRD 94 (2016)



- If $\tilde{C}'_1 \neq 0$ a gluon mass scale can be generated



Gluon mass scale

- **Physically motivated parametrization**

$$\Delta^{-1}(q^2) = q^2 J(q^2) + m^2(q^2)$$

- **Kinetic term**
associated with np part of the STI

- **Running mass**

associated with massless poles

$$\tilde{C}_{\alpha\beta}(q, r, p) = m^2(p^2)P_{\alpha\beta}(p) - m^2(r^2)P_{\alpha\beta}(r)$$

- **Focus on the metric part**

take limit as $q \rightarrow 0$

$$\tilde{C}'_1(r^2) = \frac{dm^2(r^2)}{dr^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad m^2(x) = \Delta^{-1}(0) + \int_0^x dy \tilde{C}'_1(y)$$

- **Not yet a running mass**

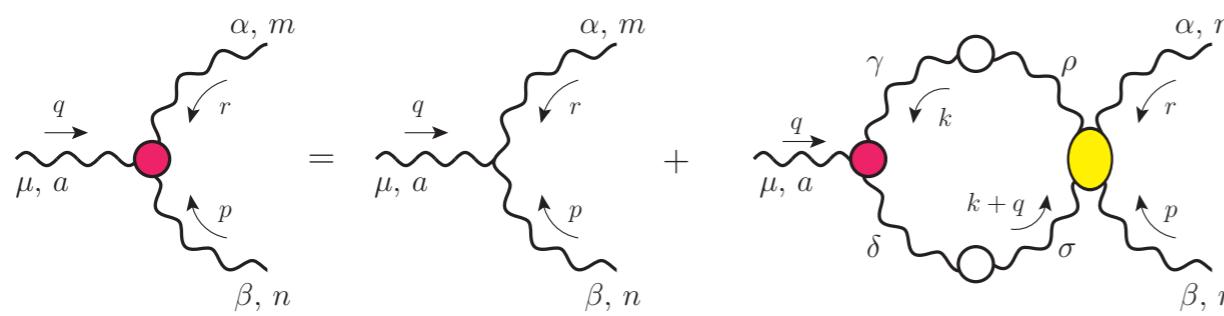
must be monotonically decreasing and

$$m^2(\infty) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad m^2(x) = - \int_x^\infty dy \tilde{C}'_1(y)$$

BSE for massless poles

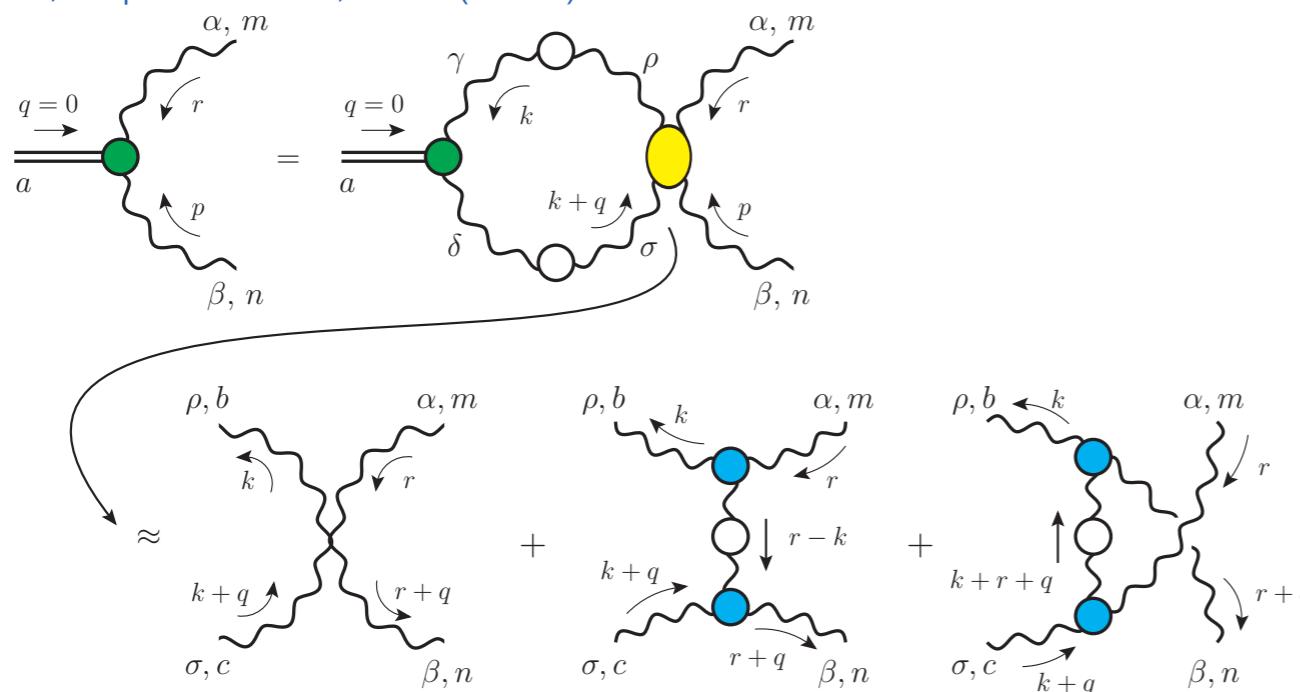


- Consider BSE for the full vertex



- Replace vertex: $\Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma^{\text{np}} + \Gamma^{\text{p}}$
expand and equate terms linear in q

DB, Papavassiliou, PRD (2018)



- Homogeneous BSE
eigenvalue proportional to the coupling

$$\tilde{C}'_1(x) = \alpha_s \int_0^\pi d\theta \int_0^\infty dy \mathcal{K}(x, y, \theta) \tilde{C}'_1(y)$$

- Four gluon kernel:
tractable in one-loop dressed approximation

- Three gluon vertex

$$\Gamma_{\mu\alpha\beta}(k_1, k_2, k_3) = f(k_2) \Gamma_{\mu\alpha\beta}^{(0)}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$$

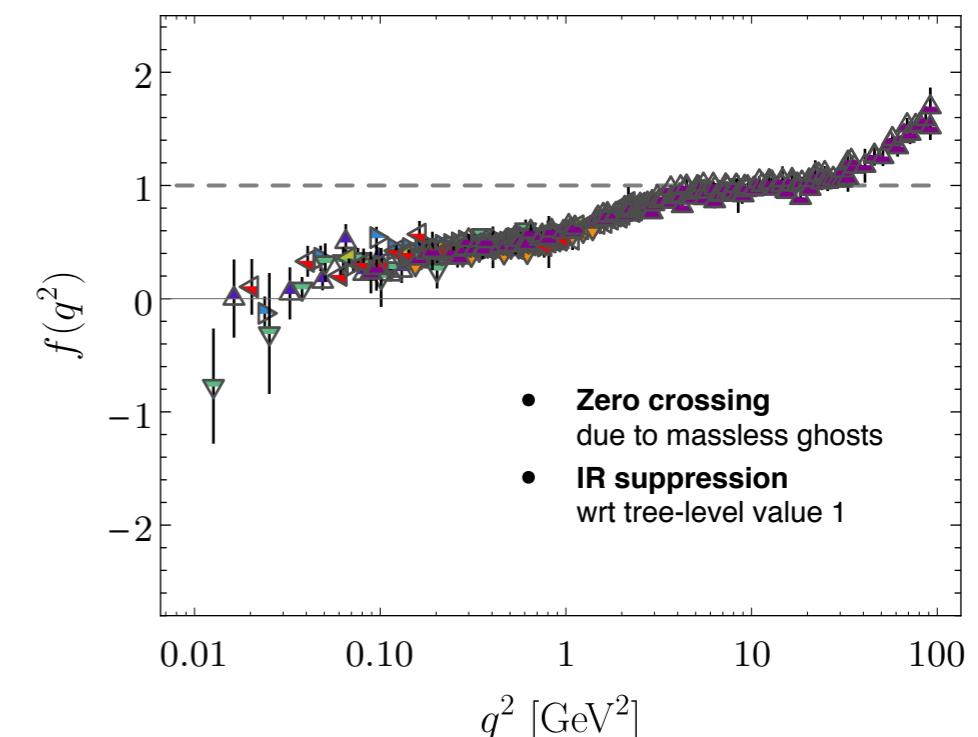
- Vertex form factor

motivated by continuous/lattice studies

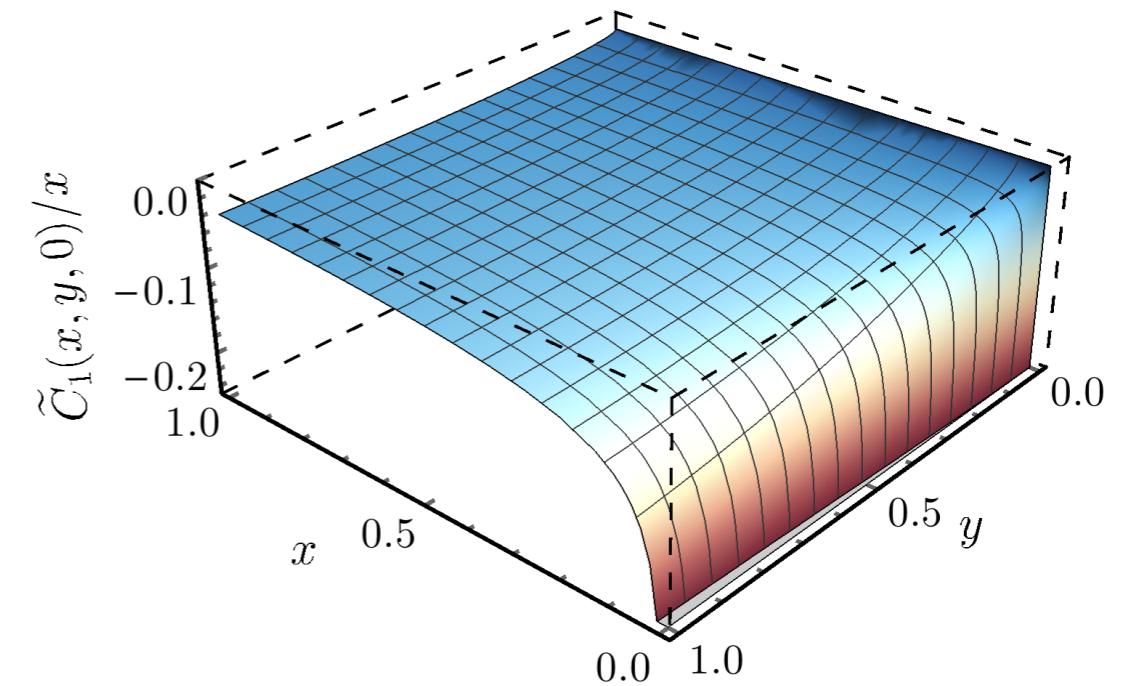
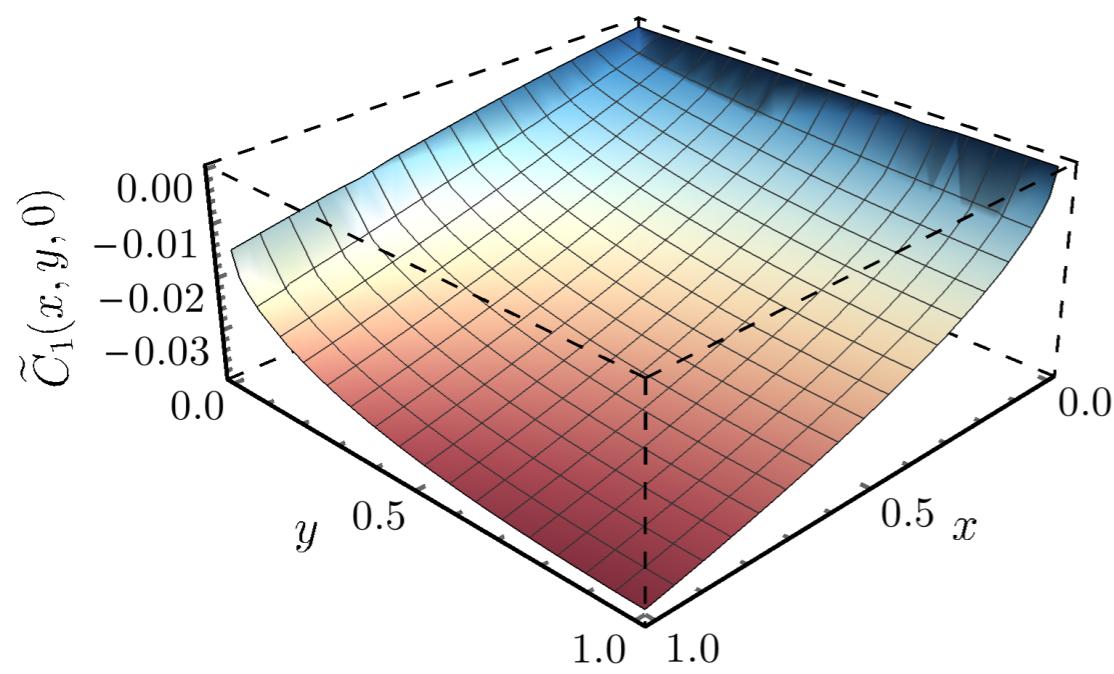
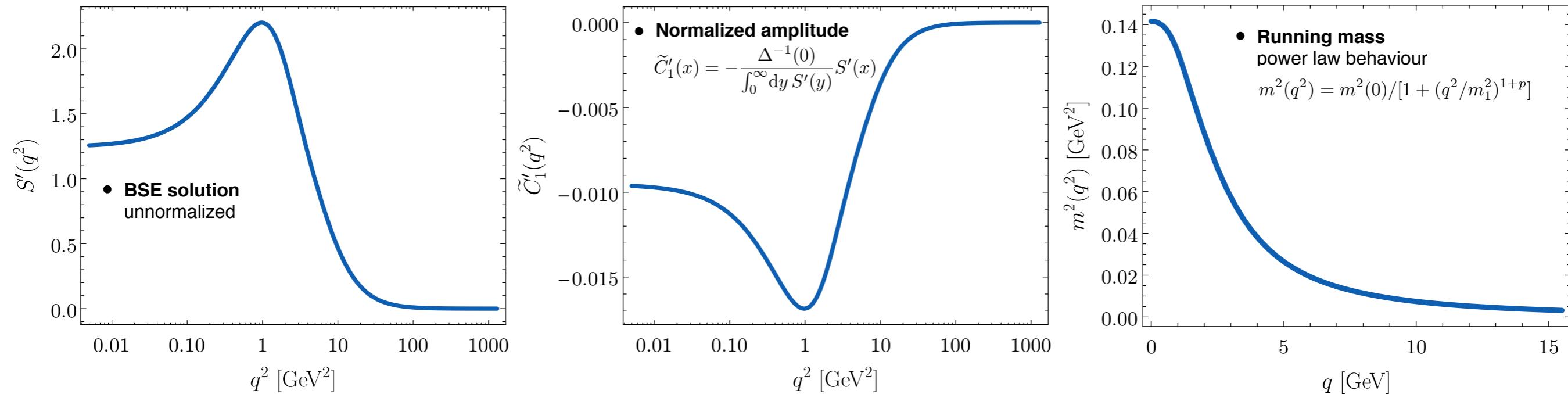
Cucchieri, Maas, Mendes, PRD 74 (2006)

Athenodorou, DB, Boucaud, De Soto, Papavassiliou, Rodriguez-Quintero, Zafeiropoulos, PLB 761 (2016)

Aguilar, DB, Ibañez, Papavassiliou, PRD 89 (2014)



Poles BS amplitude



Coupling the gluon SDE



- **Gluon SDE at $q=0$**
yields quadratic equation in the coupling

DB, Papavassiliou, PRD (2018)

$$m^2(0) = \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2}$$

$-C = B\alpha_s + A\alpha_s^2$

- **Consistency condition**
for a given MOM subtraction point μ

$$\alpha_s^{\text{SDE}} = \frac{-B + \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A} = \alpha_s^{\text{BSE}}$$

- **Vertex form factor crucial**
 $f=1$ implies $\alpha_s^{\text{SDE}} = 0.42$ and $\alpha_s^{\text{BSE}} = 0.27$

- Lattice data fit

- **Two-loop dressed diagrams fundamental**
one-loop dressed alone requires negative coupling

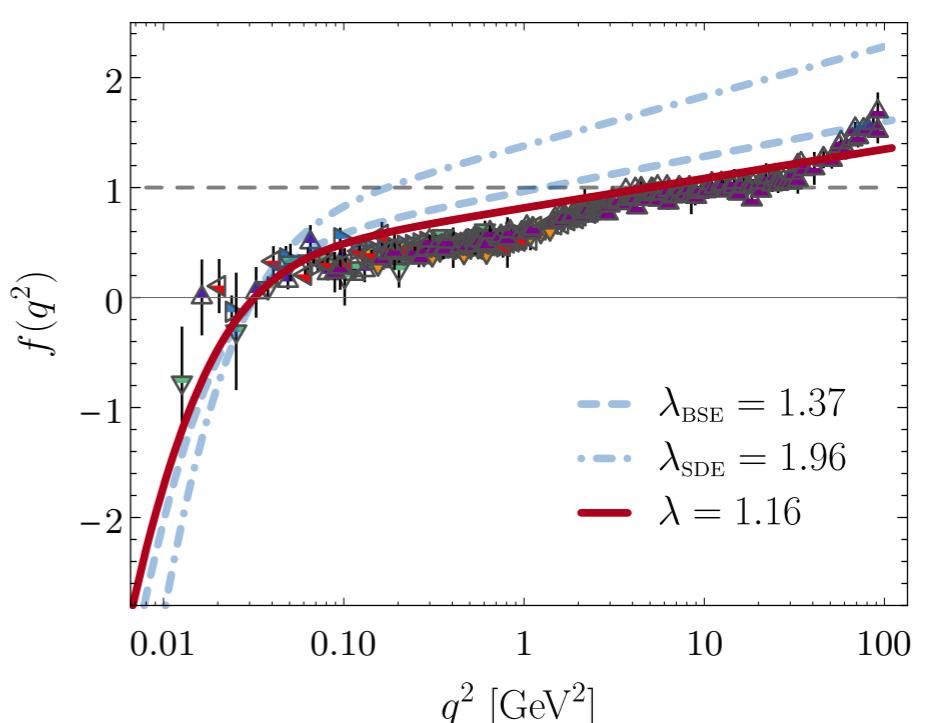
$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{3C_A^2}{32\pi^3} F(0) \int_0^\infty dy y^2 \Delta^2(y) Y(y) S'(y) \\ B &= -\frac{3C_A}{8\pi} F(0) \int_0^\infty dy y^2 \Delta^2(y) S'(y) \\ C &= - \int_0^\infty dy S'(y) \end{aligned}$$

- **Start with** $\lambda_0 = 1$
evaluate A_0 , B_0 , C_0 and α_0
 - **Rescale** f
track rescaling through BSE/SDE

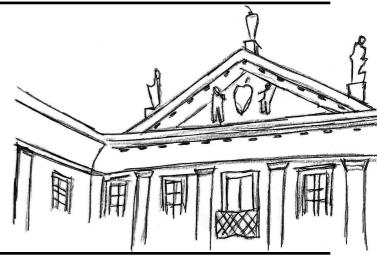
$$C_0\lambda^3 + \alpha_0 B_0\lambda + \alpha_0^2 A_0 = 0$$

- **Solved @** $\mu = 4.3 \text{ GeV}$ **by**
 $\lambda = 1.16 \quad \alpha_s^{\text{BSE}} = \alpha_s^{\text{SDE}} = 0.45$

- **Expected value:** $\alpha_s = 0.32$
obtained if
 $\lambda_{\text{BSF}} \equiv 1.36$, $\lambda_{\text{SDE}} \equiv 1.97$



Renormalization point dependence



- **Consistency condition**
depends on the MOM subtraction point

- **Changes in the subtraction point**
amounts to finite renormalizations

$$\Delta(q^2, \bar{\mu}^2) = z_A(\bar{\mu}^2, \mu^2) \Delta(q^2, \mu^2)$$

$$F(q^2, \bar{\mu}^2) = z_c(\bar{\mu}^2, \mu^2) F(q^2, \mu^2)$$

$$f(q^2, \bar{\mu}^2) = z_3(\bar{\mu}^2, \mu^2) f(q^2, \mu^2)$$

- **BSE formally RG invariant:**

$$\alpha^{\text{BSE}}(\bar{\mu}^2) = z_A^{-3} z_3^{-2} \alpha_s$$

- **Consistency condition:**

$$Cz_3^3 + z_3(z_A^{-1} z_c) \alpha_s B + (z_A^{-2} z_c) \alpha_s^2 A = 0$$

- **Gluon and ghost renormalization**
can be obtained from lattice data

$$z_A(\bar{\mu}^2, \mu^2) = \frac{1}{\bar{\mu}^2 \Delta(\bar{\mu}^2, \mu^2)}$$

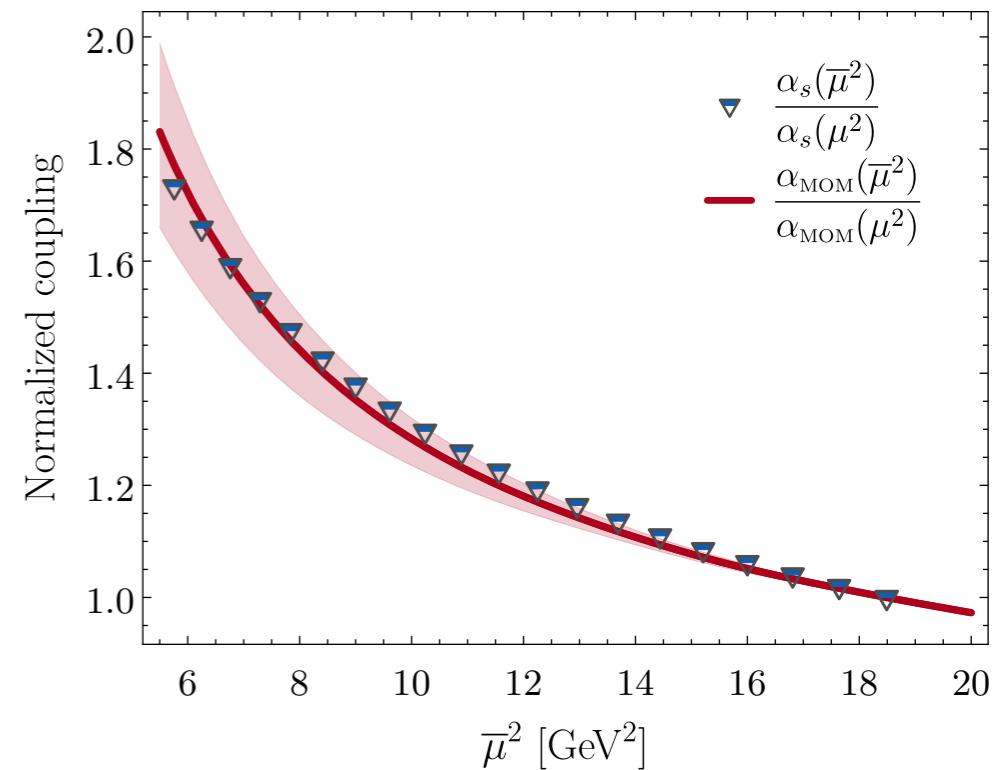
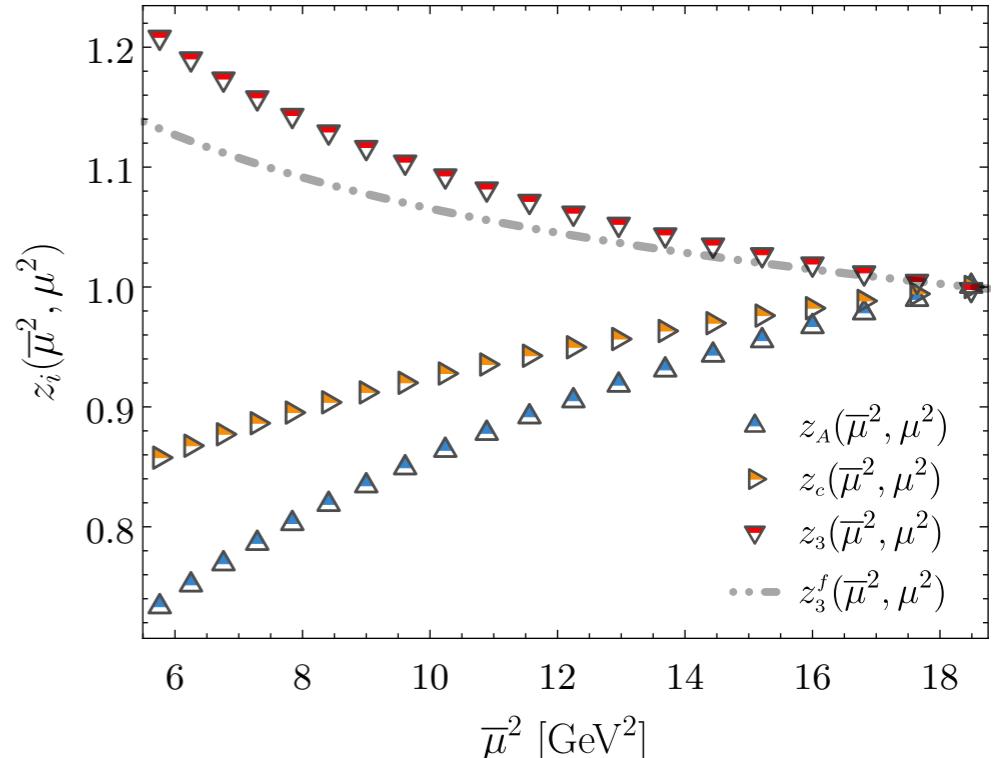
$$z_c(\bar{\mu}^2, \mu^2) = \frac{1}{F(\bar{\mu}^2, \mu^2)}$$

- **Solve cubic equation for z_3**
values found will enforce identity

$$\alpha_s^{\text{BSE}}(\bar{\mu}^2) = \alpha_s^{\text{SDE}}(\bar{\mu}^2)$$

- **Results compare favourably**
with expected MOM results

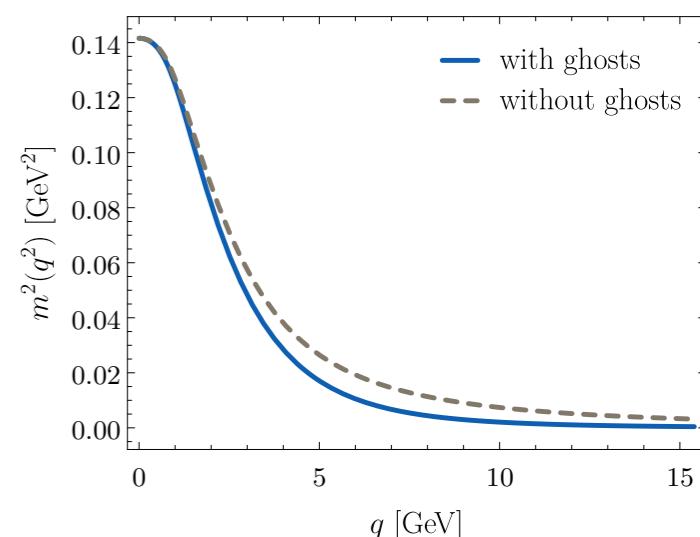
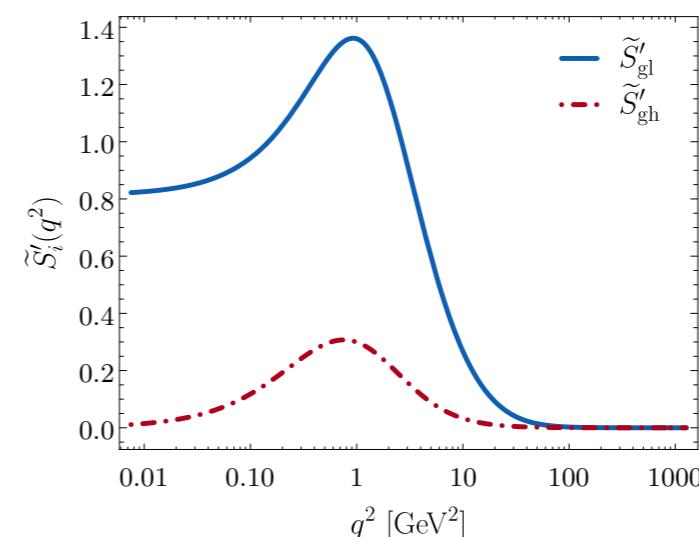
Boucaud, de Soto, Leroy, Le Yaouanc, Micheli,
Moutarde, Pene, Rodriguez-Quintero PRD 74 (2006)





Summary

- **Schwinger mechanism**
successfully generates gluon mass scale
 - **Massless poles: indispensable ingredients**
yield running mass with expected features
 - **Only poles survive within a BSE/SDE system**
stronger/milder divergences lead to vanishing/divergent propagator at zero
- **Two-loop dressed terms crucial**
reverse one-loop dressed ‘wrong’ sign
 - **4-gluon vertex double role**
enforces seagull cancellation; enables mass dynamical generation
 - **Tree-level 4-gluon suffices**
non-perturbative 4-gluon effects suppressed
- **3-gluon vertex needs to be dressed**
required for consistency between BSE/SDE
 - **Zero crossing / suppression**
important in glueballs/hybrids?
- **Ghost terms**
almost irrelevant at the quantitative level
[Aguilar, DB, Figueiredo, Papavassiliou, EPJC 78 \(2018\)](#)



QCD Effective charge



- **Remarkable feature of QCD:**

$\hat{d}(k^2)$ saturates in the IR

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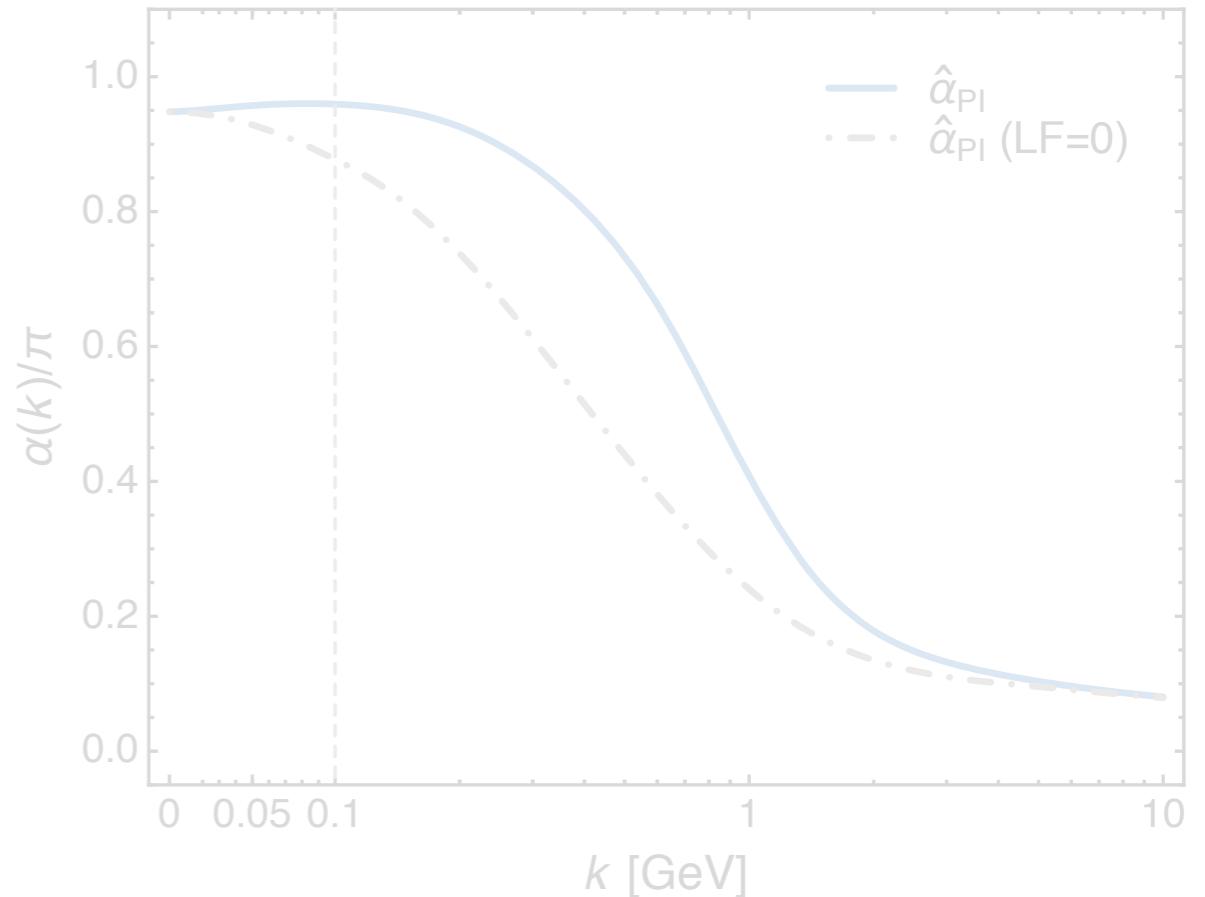
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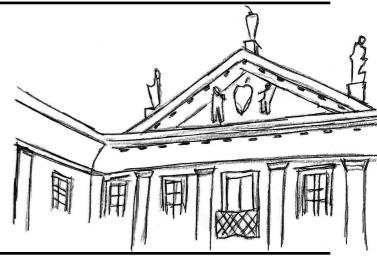
DB, Mezrag, Papavassiliou, Roberts, Rodriguez-Quintero, 1612.04835

$$\hat{\alpha}(k^2) = \frac{\hat{d}(k^2)}{\mathcal{D}(k^2)} \xrightarrow{k^2 \gg m_0^2} \mathcal{I}(k^2)$$



- **Parameter free**
completely determined from 2-point sector
- **No Landau pole**
physical coupling showing an IR fixed point
- **Smoothly connects IR and UV domains**
no need for matching procedures
- **Essentially non-perturbative result**
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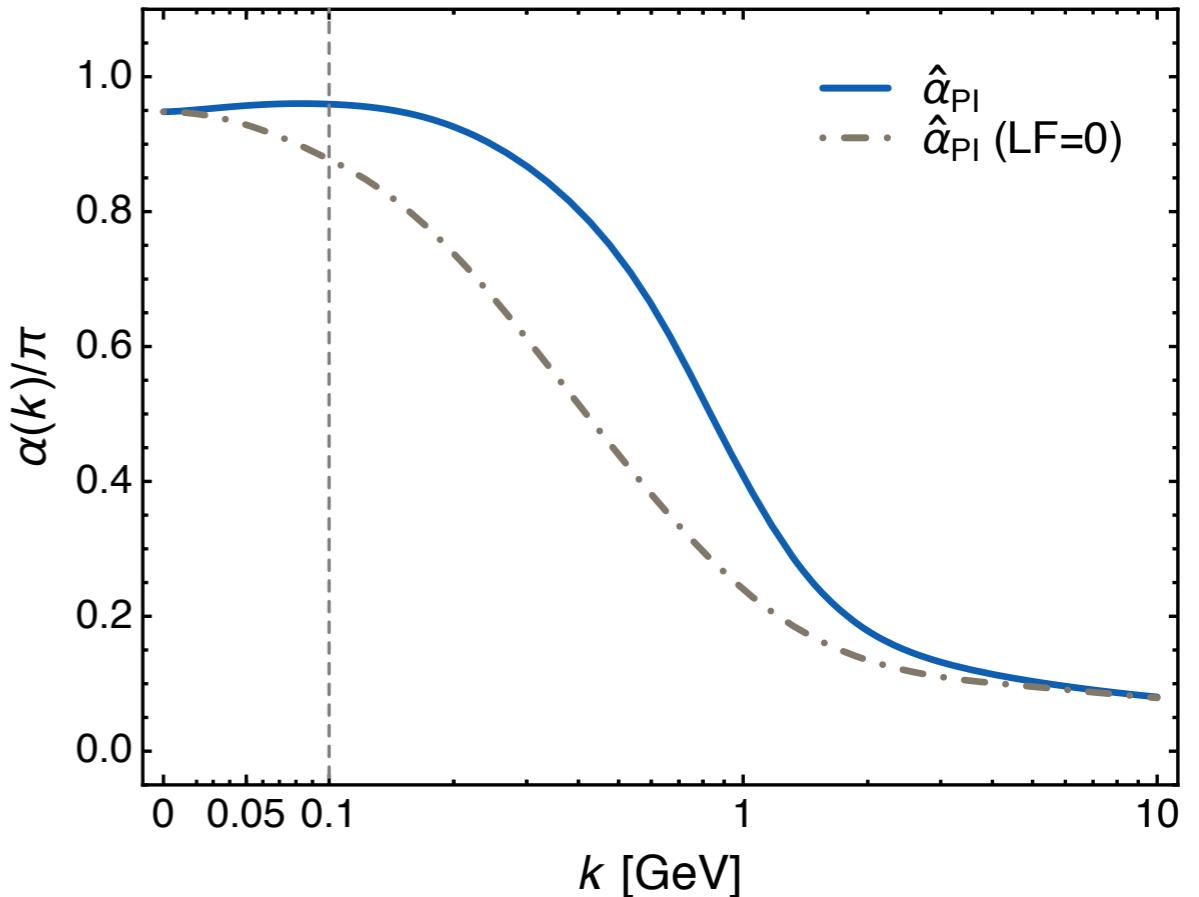
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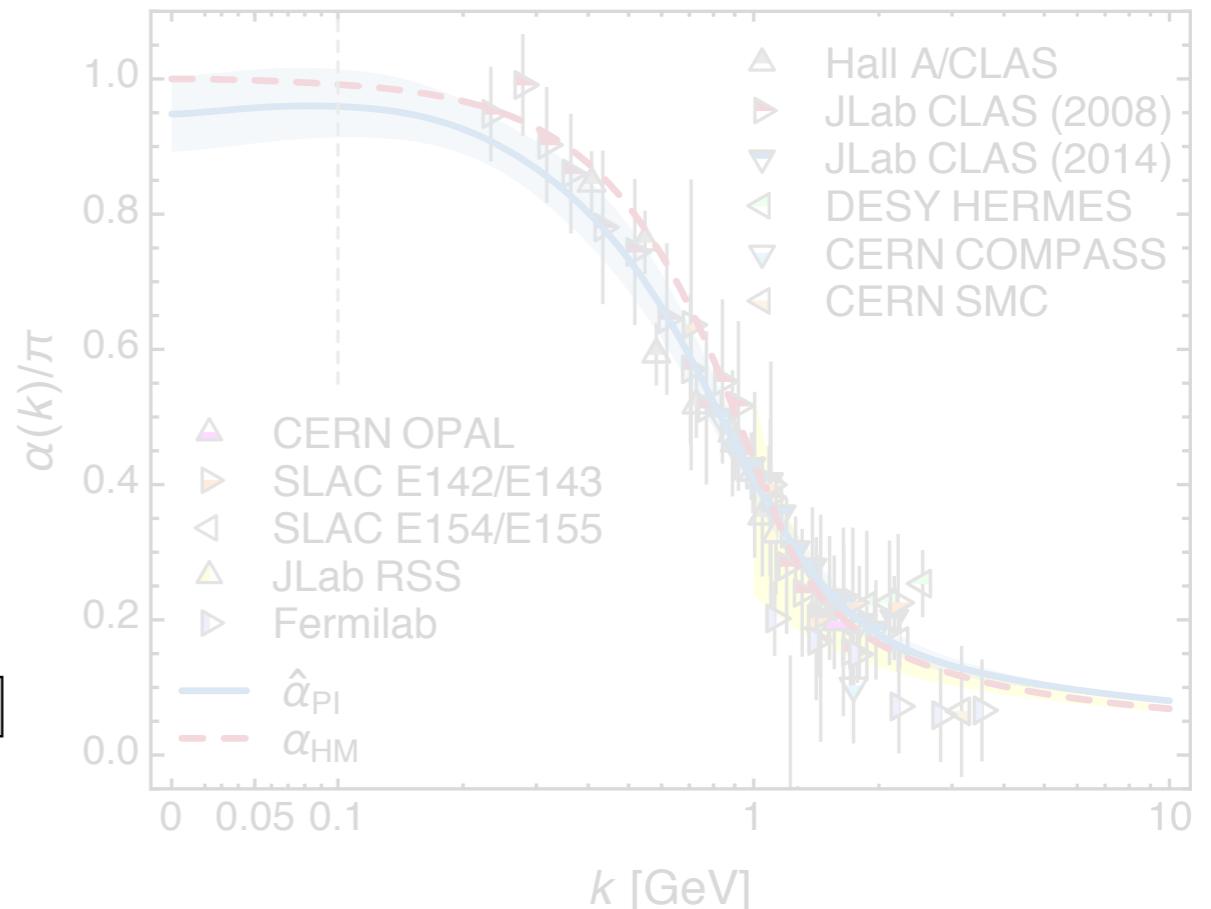
Bjorken, PR 148 (1966); PRD 1 (1970)

$$\int_0^1 dx [g_1^p(x, k^2) - g_1^n(x, k^2)] = \frac{g_A}{6} [1 - \alpha_{g_1}(k^2)/\pi]$$

- $g_1^{p,n}$ **spin dependent p/n structure functions**
extracted from measurements using unpolarized targets
- g^A **nucleon flavour-singlet axial charge**

- **Many merits**

- **Existence of data**
for a wide momentum range
- **Tight sum rules constraints on the integral**
at IR and UV extremes
- **Isospin non-singlet**
suppress contributions from hard-to-compute
processes



- **Equivalence in the perturbative domain**
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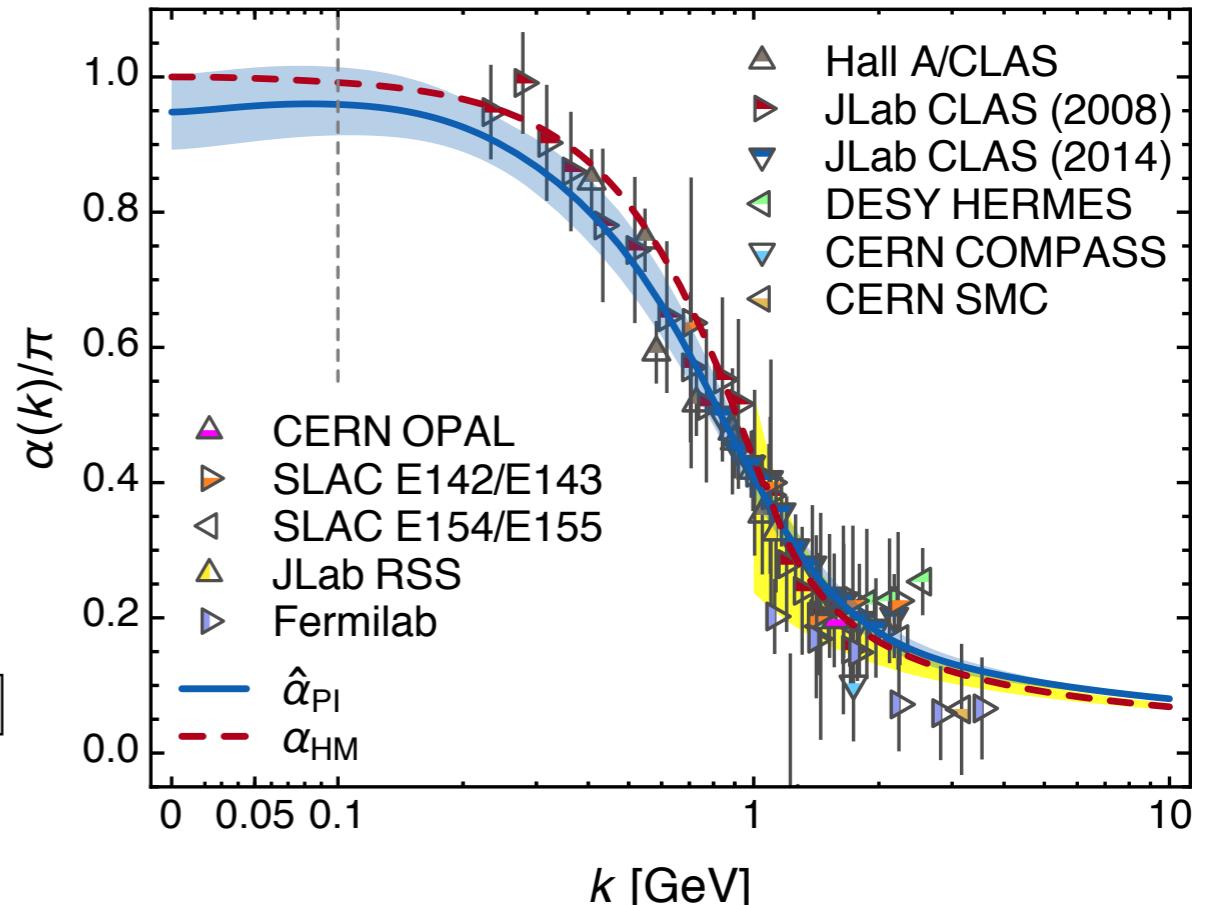
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