

# Hunting for the self-energy renormalon with NSPT

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- 3 Technicality 1: Stochastic Gauge Fixing
- 4 Technicality 2: **zero mode treatment**

perturbation theory: generic observable  $R$  as series

$$R = \sum_n c_n \alpha^n$$

coefficients  $c_n$  grow fast:

$$c_n \stackrel{n \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} K a^n n! n^b$$

→ perturbative expansion does not converge,  
at best it is an asymptotic series

## Renormalons

- certain pattern of factorial growth of  $c_n$
- e.g. arise when inserting “bubble” chains in Feynman diagrams
- small and large momentum behaviour origin:  
UV and IR renormalons

tool: summation via Borel transform and Borel integral

$$R \sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r_n \alpha^{n+1} \implies B[R](t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r_n \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$\tilde{R} = \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{-t/\alpha} B[R](t)$$

→ behaviour of perturbative expansion R dictated by:  
the closest singularity

$$u = -t\beta_0$$

to the origin of its Borel transform

→ **leading renormalon**



First observable: The plaquette

$$\langle P \rangle \equiv \langle 1 - \frac{1}{3} \text{tr} U_P \rangle = \sum_n c_n \alpha^n + \frac{\pi^2}{36} C_{GG}(\alpha) a^4 \langle \frac{\alpha}{\pi} GG \rangle_{\text{latt}} + O(a^6)$$

- contains gluon condensate  $\langle G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \rangle$
- leading IR renormalon at  $u = 2$

→ calculate plaquette to high orders with NSPT

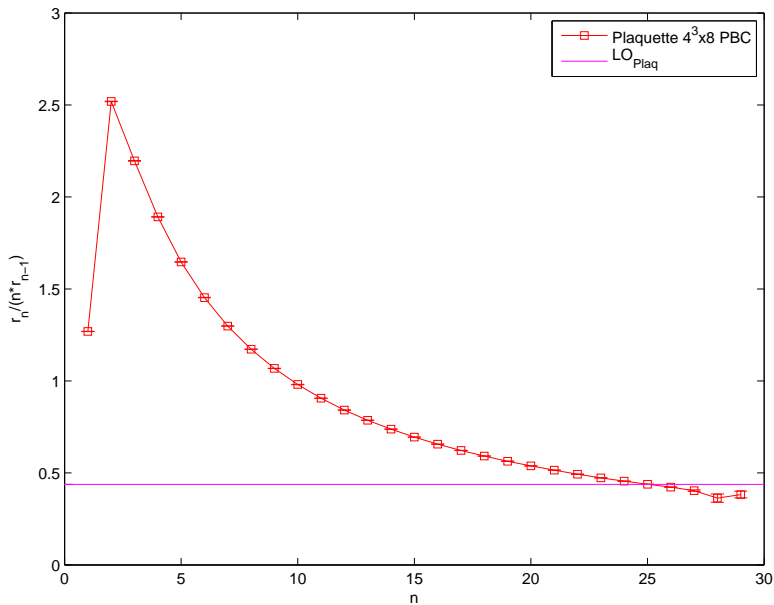
→ early works with NSPT, e.g.

- Di Renzo et al. [hep-th/9502095](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-th/9502095), 8 loops,
- Di Renzo et al. [hep-lat/0011067](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-lat/0011067), 10 loops,
- Rakow [hep-lat/0510046](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-lat/0510046), 16 loops

at leading order:

$$\text{notation : } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r_n \alpha^{n+1},$$

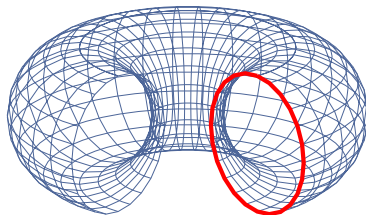
$$\text{LO}_{\text{Plaq}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r_n}{r_{n-1}} = \frac{11}{8\pi} n$$



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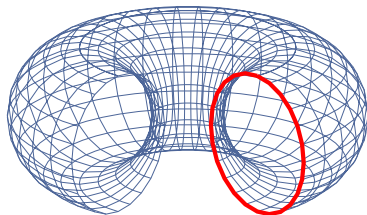
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gives access to static quark self energy  $V_{\text{self}}$ :

$$V_{\text{self}} = \lim_{L_4 \rightarrow \infty} \left( -\frac{1}{L_4} \ln \langle \mathcal{P} \rangle \right),$$

$$V_{\text{self}} = \sum V_{\text{self}}^{(n)} \alpha^n$$

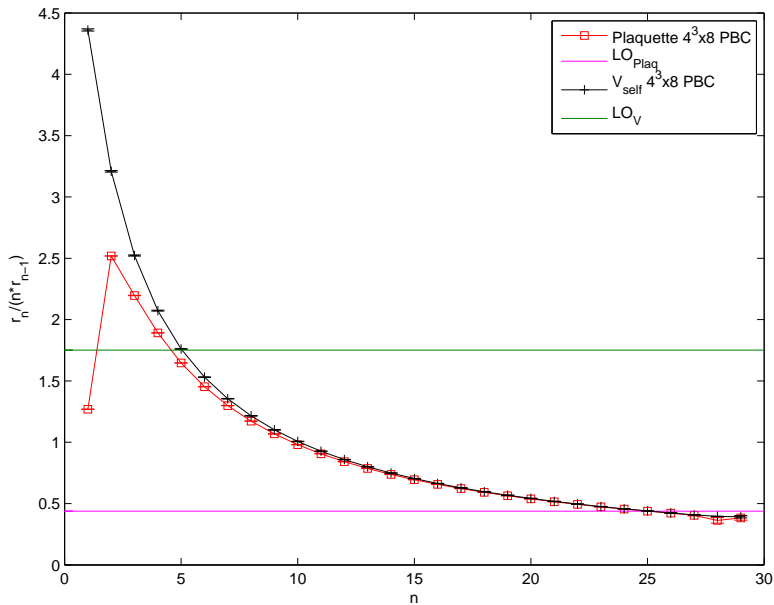
- $V_{\text{self}}$  of an infinitely heavy quark is linearly UV divergent
- leading UV Renormalon appears already at  $u = 1/2$

→ renormalon should emerge **four times faster** as for plaquette

→ at leading order

notation : 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r_n \alpha^{n+1},$$

$$\text{LO}_V = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r_n}{r_{n-1}} = 4 \text{LO}_{\text{Plaq}}$$



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## Twisted Boundary Conditions

$$U_\mu(x + L\hat{\nu}) = \Omega_\nu U_\mu(x) \Omega_\nu^\dagger$$

- at least two directions must be twisted
- constant twist matrices  $\Omega_\nu$  yield

$$\Omega_\mu \Omega_\nu = \eta \Omega_\nu \Omega_\mu, \quad \eta \in Z(N)$$

for instance  $\eta = e^{2\pi i/3}$  for  $SU(3)$

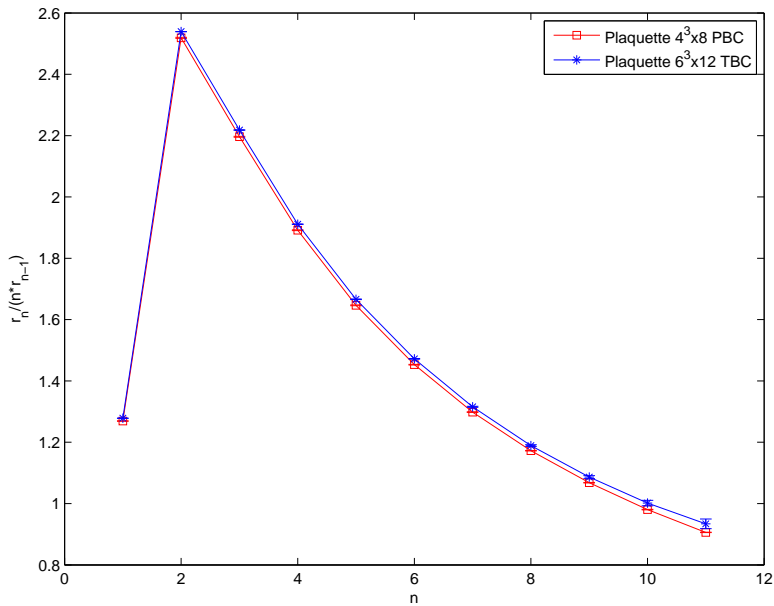
- 2 options for implementation: either explicit choice of  $\Omega_\nu$ , or phase factors for certain plaquettes at corners of twisted planes

## Effects of Twisted Boundary Conditions:

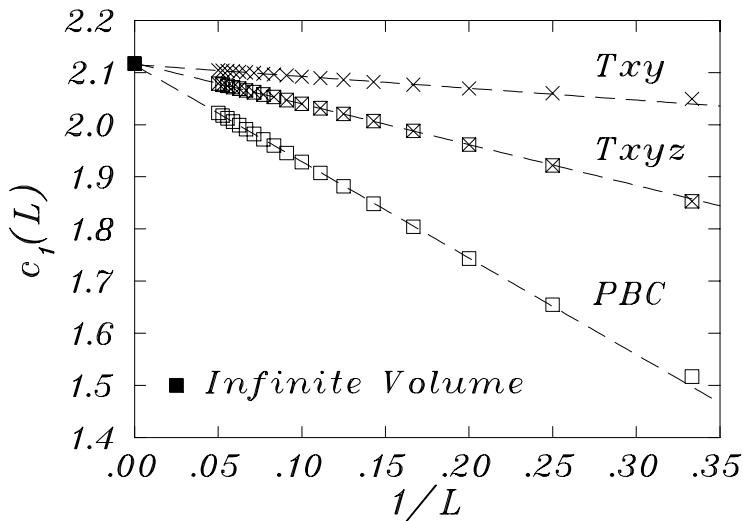
- 1 **elimination of zero modes**  $\rightarrow$  no subtraction needed
- 2 momenta  $k_\nu$  in twisted directions quantized as if the  $SU(N)$  gauge fields lived on a lattice of size  $L \times N$  instead of  $L$ :

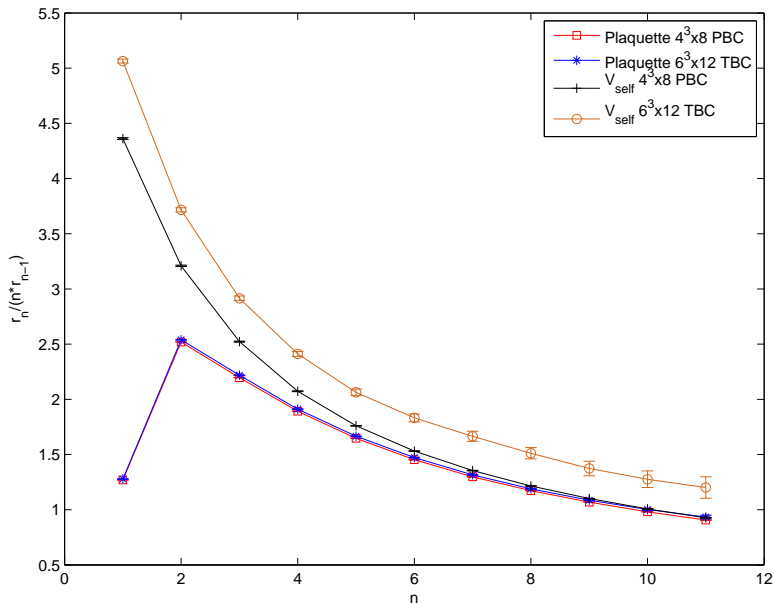
$$k_\nu = \begin{cases} \frac{2\pi}{LN} n_\nu, & \nu = \text{twisted direction,} \\ \frac{2\pi}{L} n_\nu, & \nu = \text{periodic direction.} \end{cases}$$

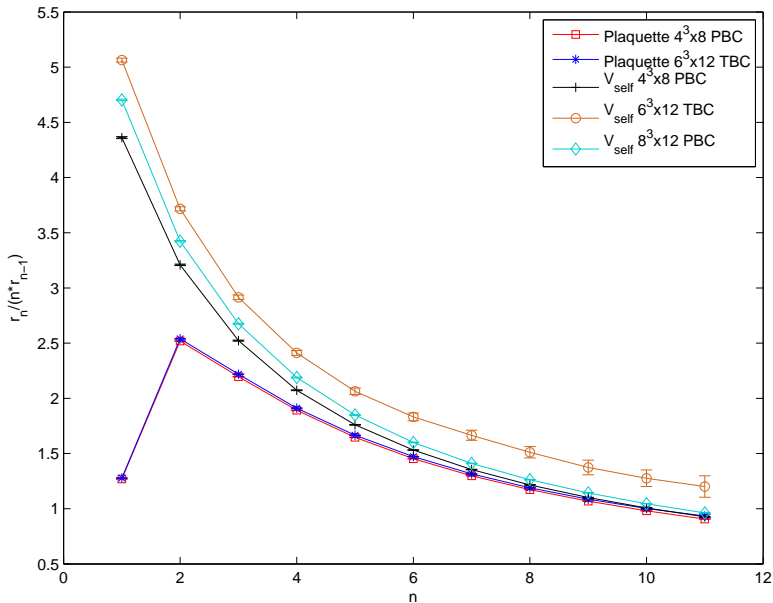
$\rightarrow$  **reduction of finite size effects**

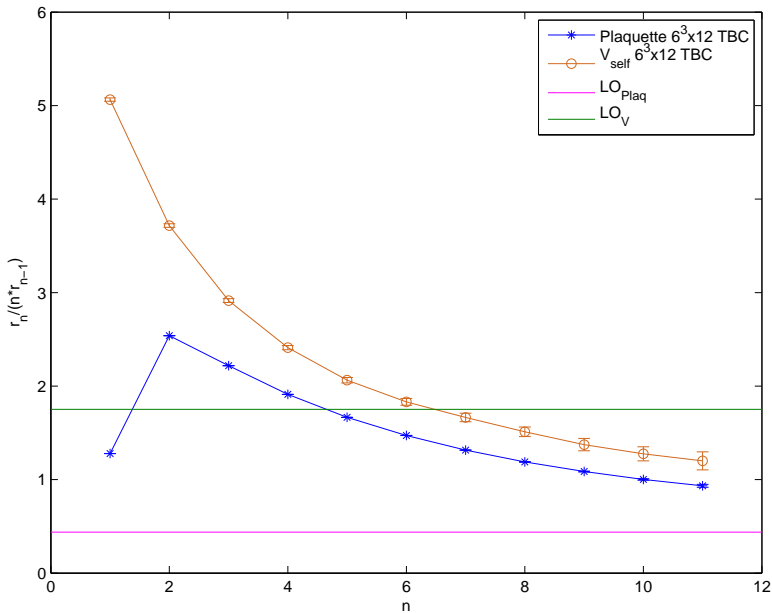


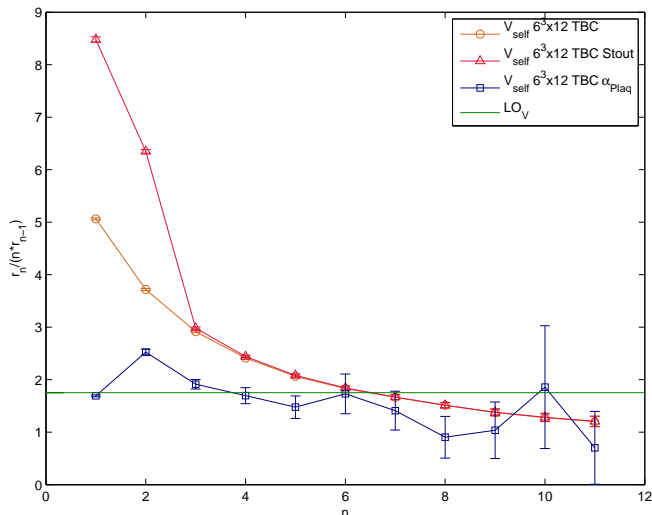
from Trottier et al. hep-lat/0110051:











$$\alpha_{\text{Plaq}} \equiv -\frac{3}{4\pi} \ln \square = \alpha_L + 3.3726 \alpha_L^2 + 17.694 \alpha_L^3 + \dots + 4.571 \cdot 10^9 \alpha_L^{12}$$



Lastly: with little additional expense, calculate static self energy in octet representation:

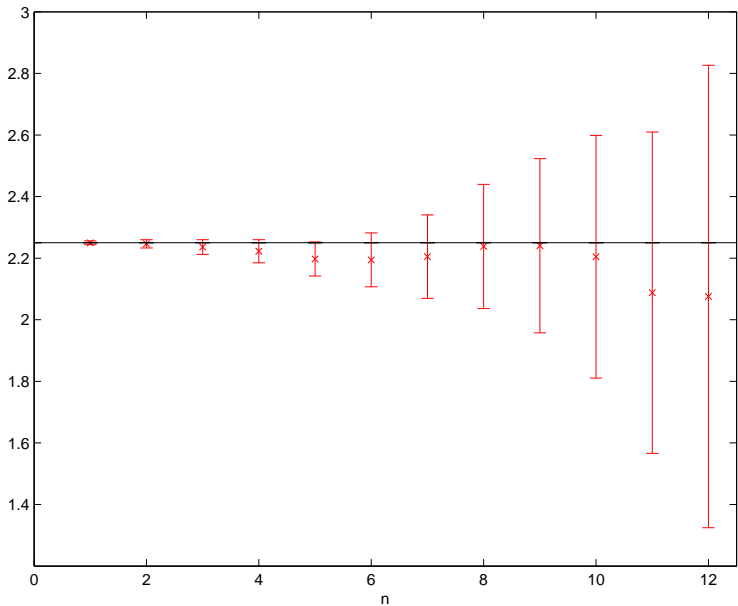
$$V_{O,\text{self}} = \sum V_{O,\text{self}}^{(n)} \alpha^n$$

Known so far (e.g. Bali, Pineda (hep-ph/0310130)):

- renormalon structure is equal to the singlet case
- **Casimir Scaling**  
for  $n = 1, 2$  exact and approximately for  $n = 3$ :

$$\frac{V_{O,\text{self}}^{(n)}}{V_{\text{self}}^{(n)}} = \frac{C_A}{C_f} = 2.25$$

recently: Anzai et al. arXiv:1004.1562v1 [hep-ph]:  
also  $n = 3$  exact, at  $n = 4$  first violation



## Summary

- NSPT is a powerful tool for high-order calculations  
→ renormalon physics
- $V_{\text{self}}$  renormalon should emerge a lot earlier than the usual candidate from the gluon condensate
- $V_{\text{self}}$  severely affected by finite size effects when using periodic boundary conditions
- twisted boundary conditions clearly reduce finite size effects: distinct ratio curves at moderate lattices
- further simulations on larger lattice volumes needed to decide on renormalon existence
- preliminary data suggest that the relation
$$V_{\text{O,self}}^{(n)} / V_{\text{self}}^{(n)} = C_A / C_F$$
is approximately valid well beyond  $n = 3$