

1st or 2nd;  
the order of finite temperature  
phase transition of  $N_f=2$  QCD  
from effective theory analysis

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(Aoki, Fukaya, Taniguchi; PRD 86, 114512)

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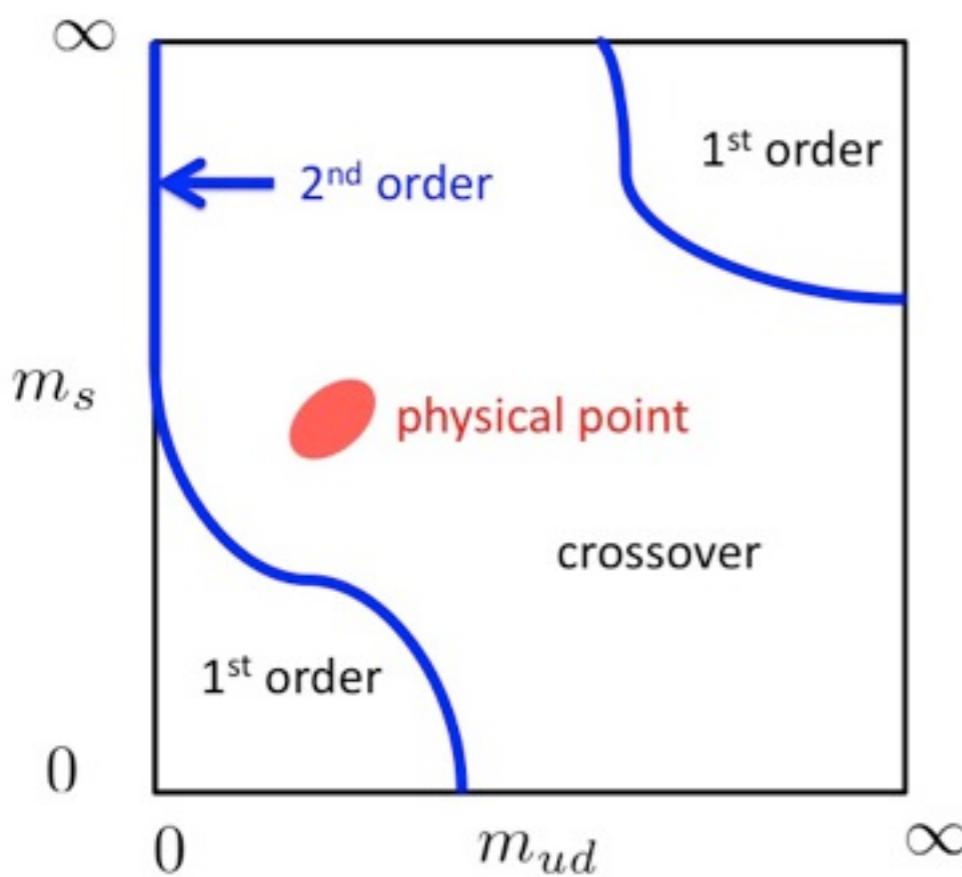
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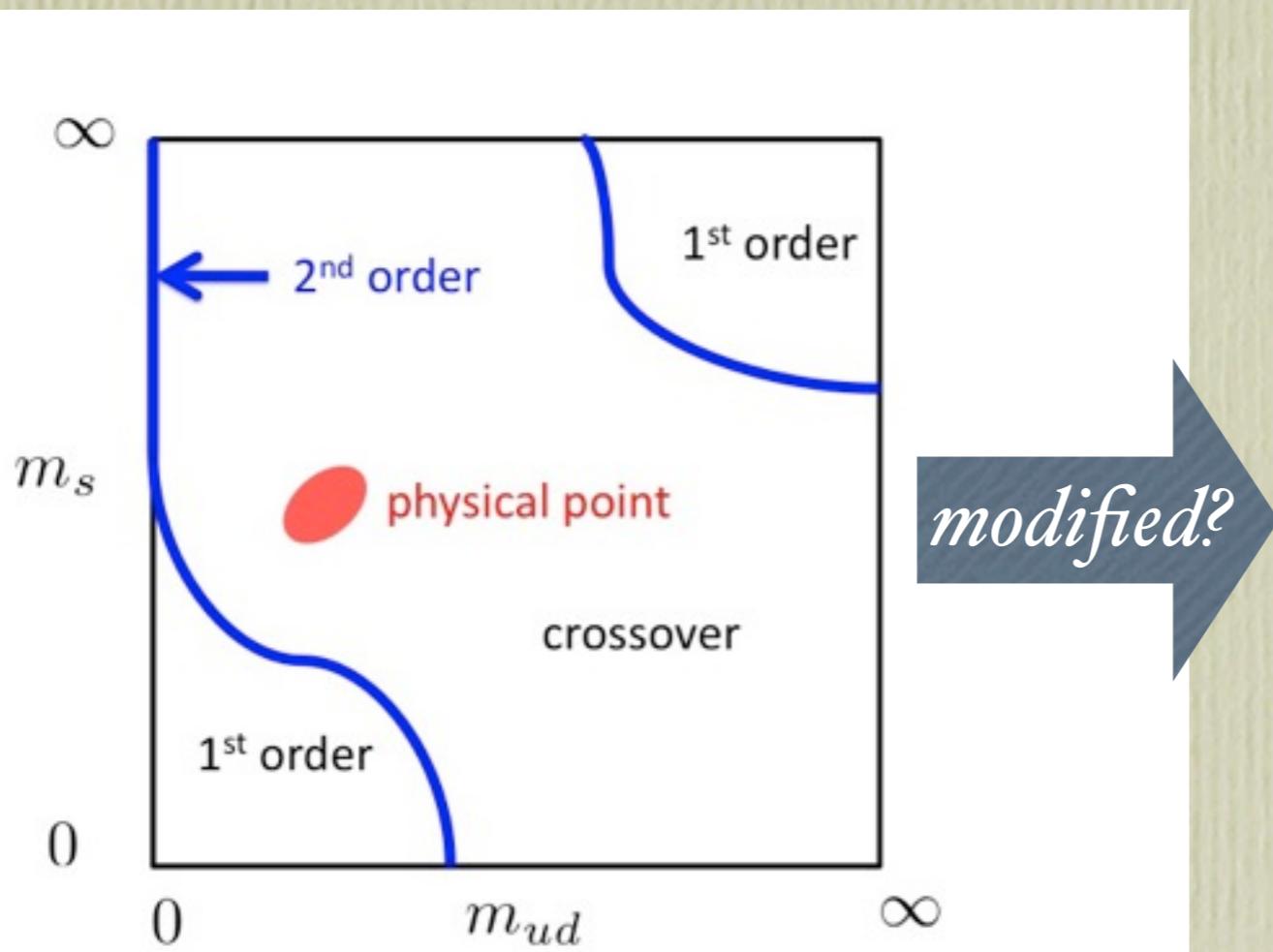
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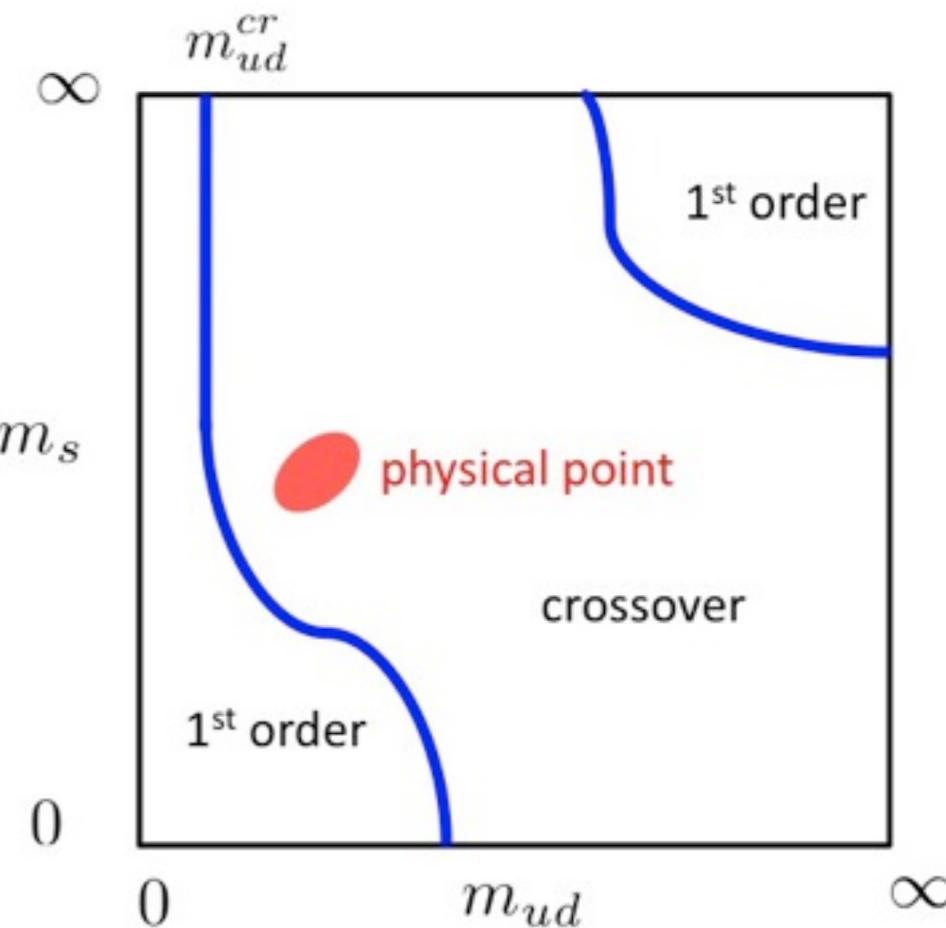
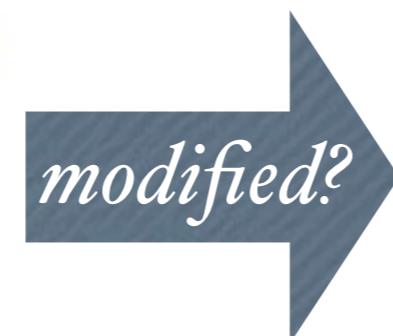
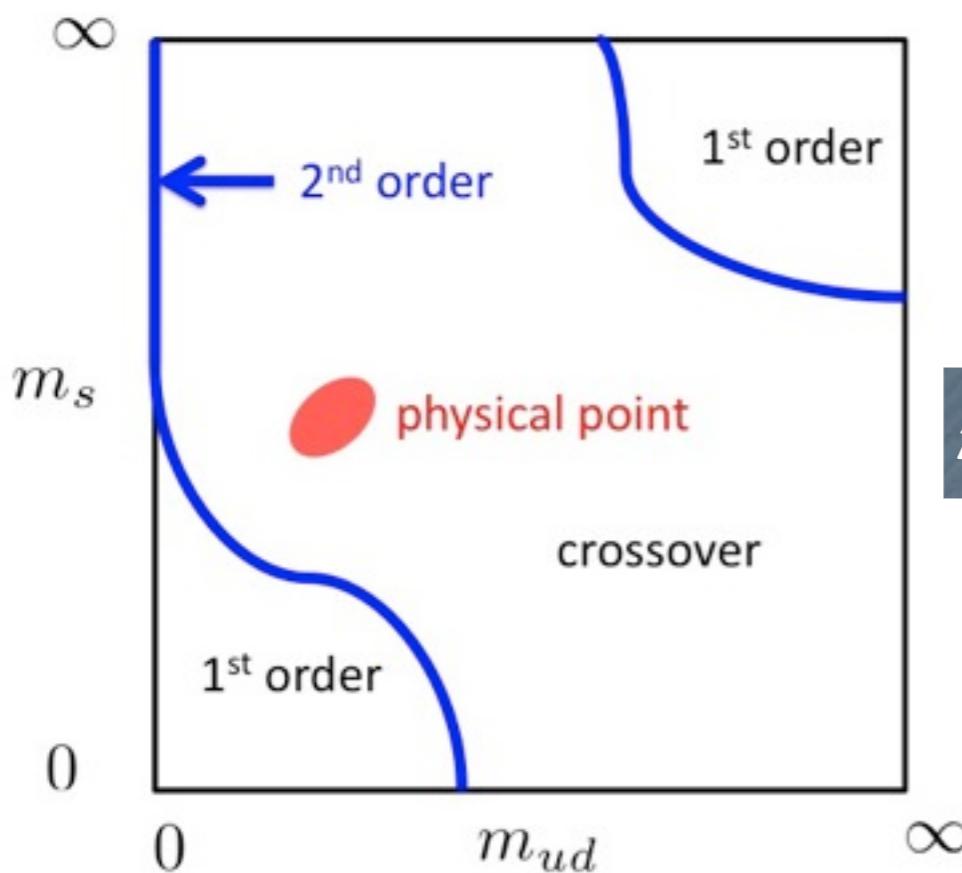
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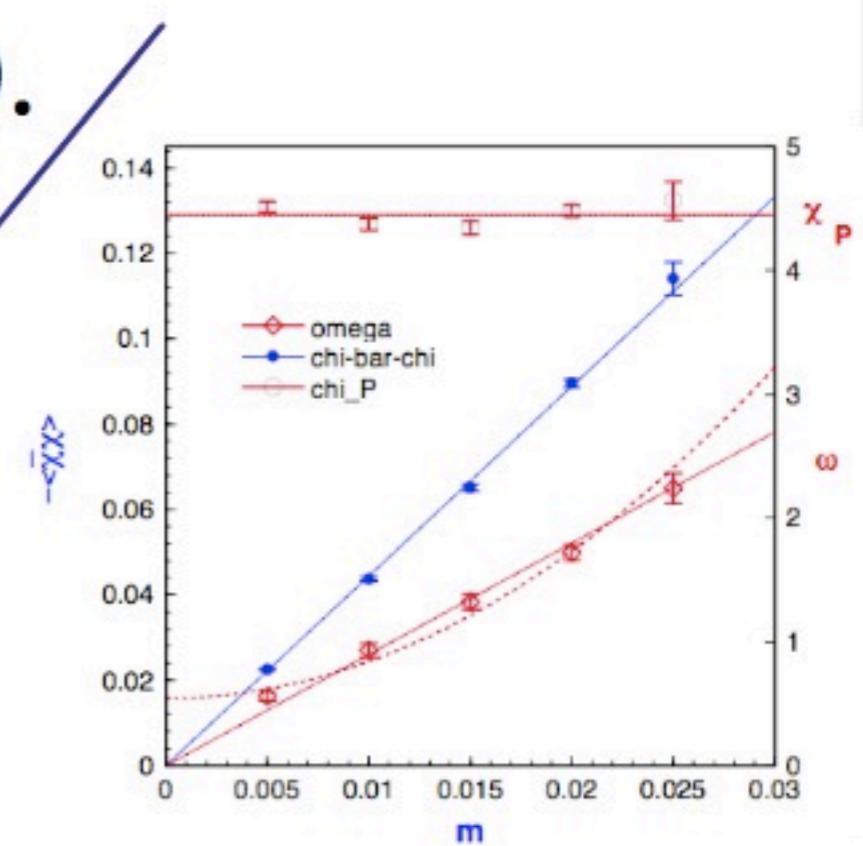
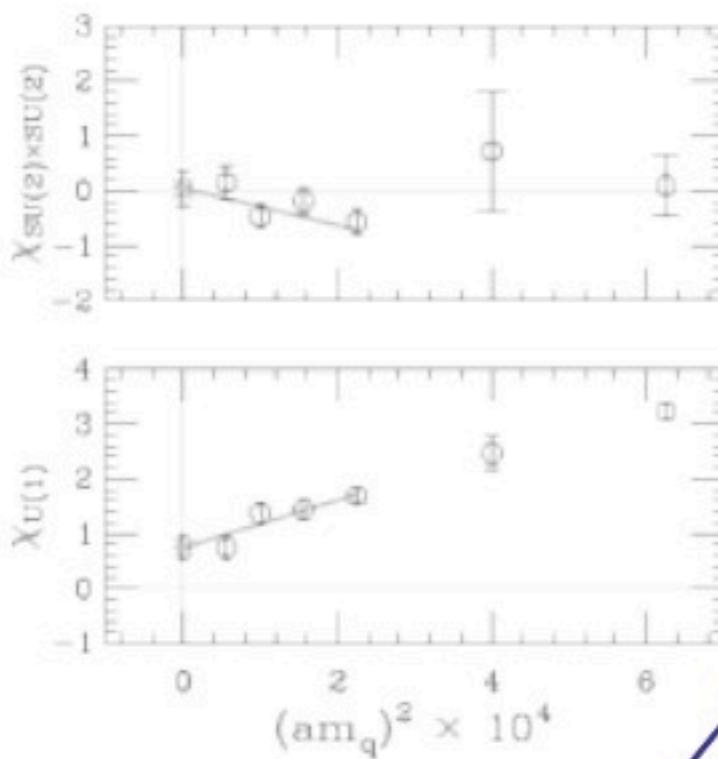
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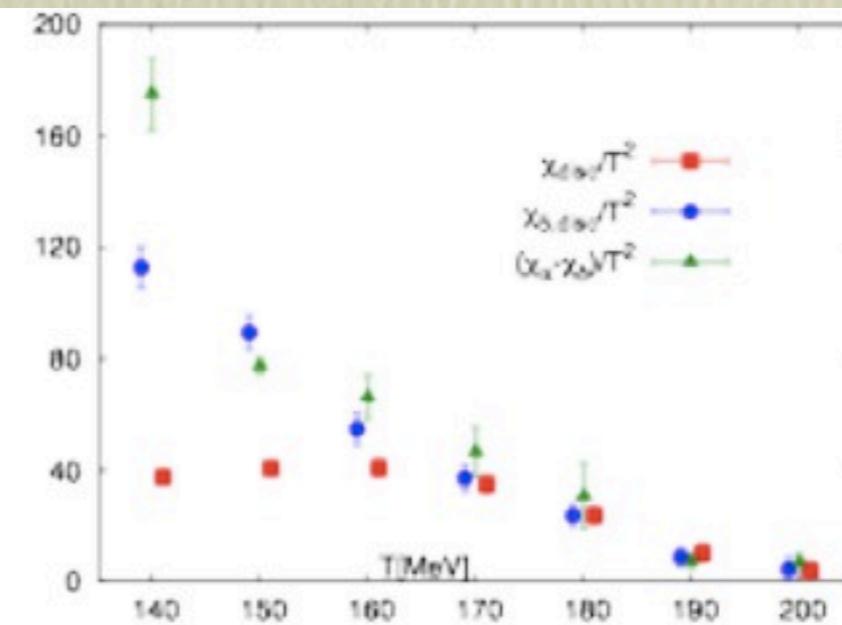


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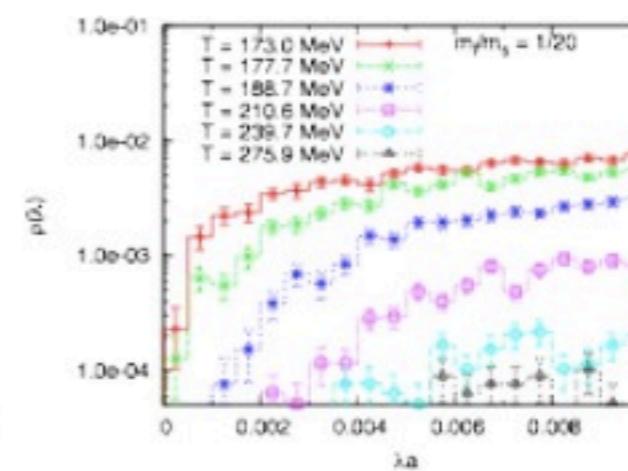
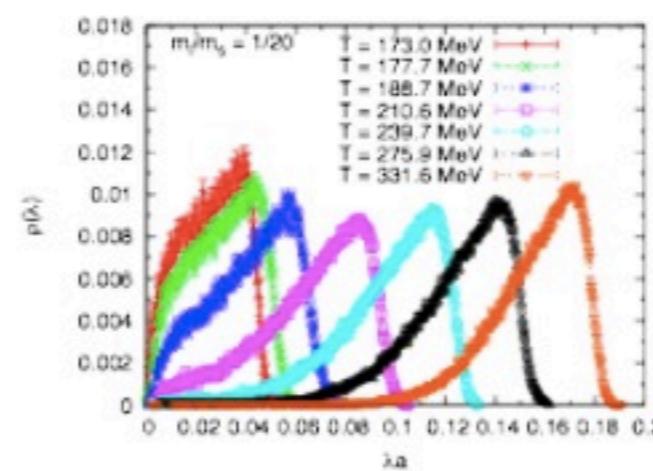
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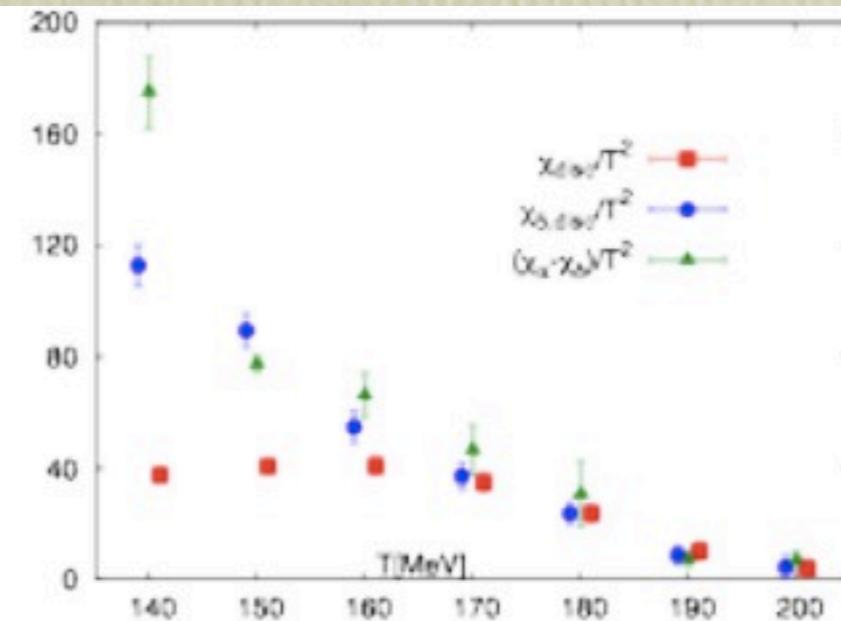
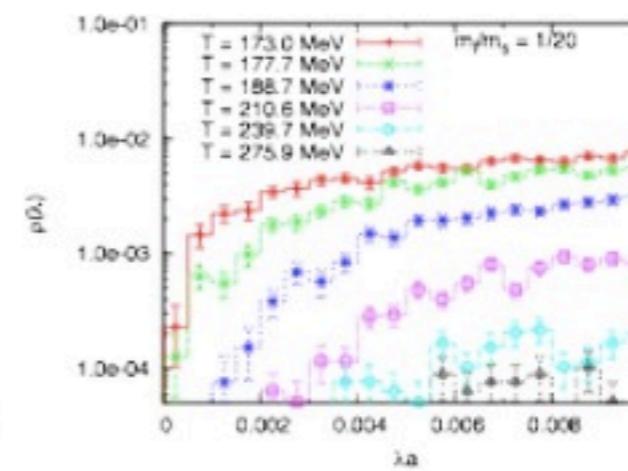
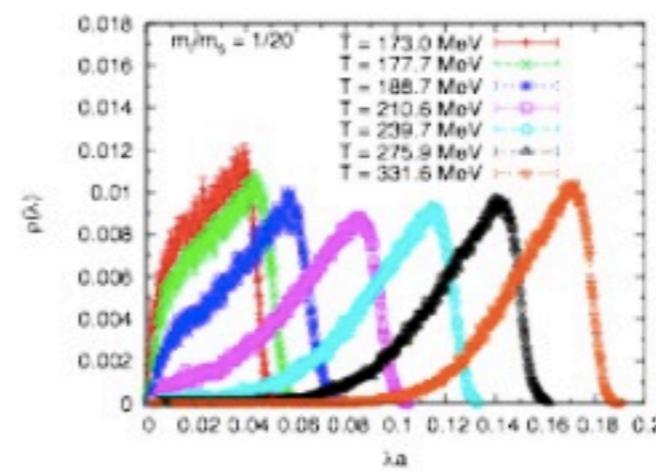
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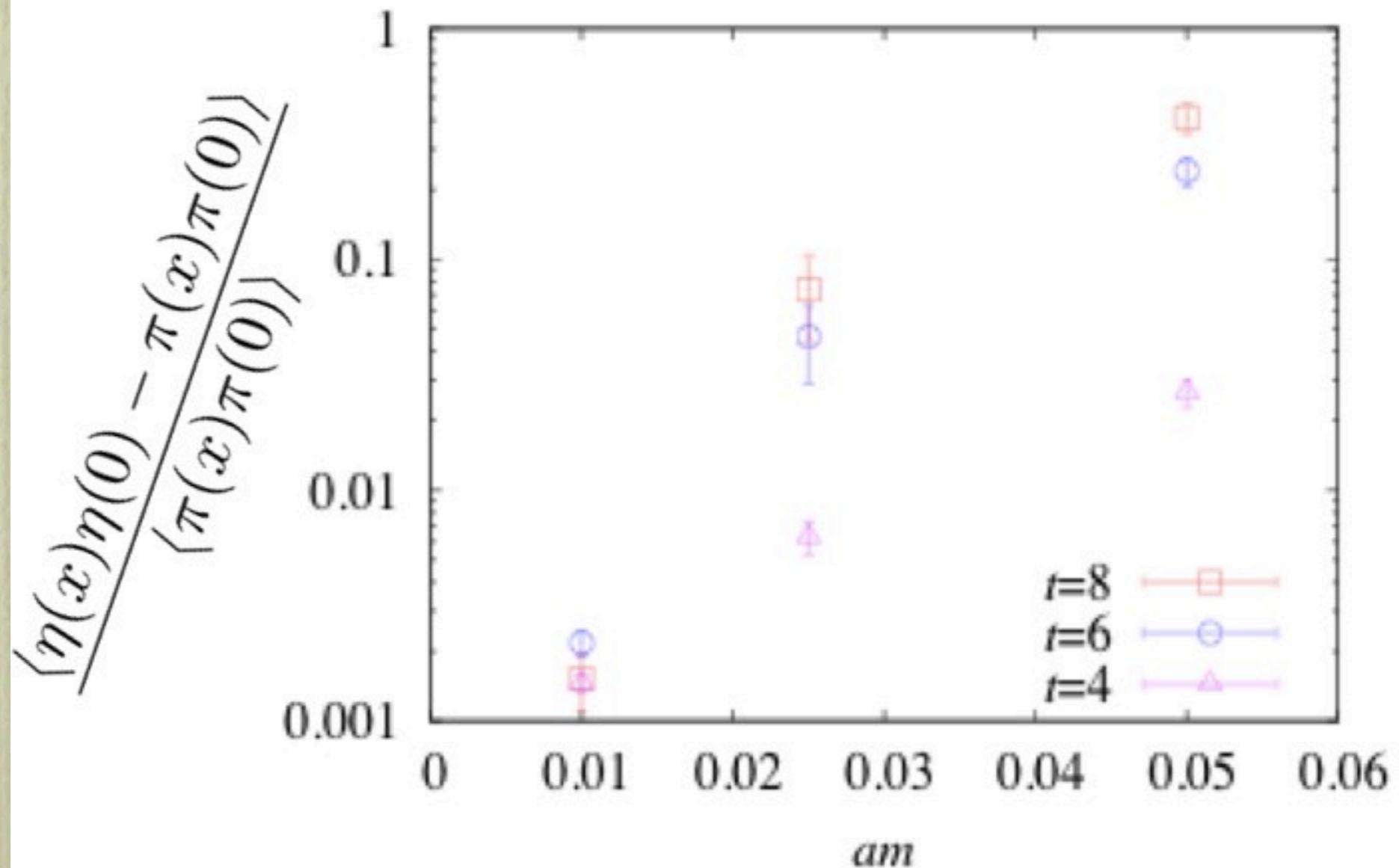
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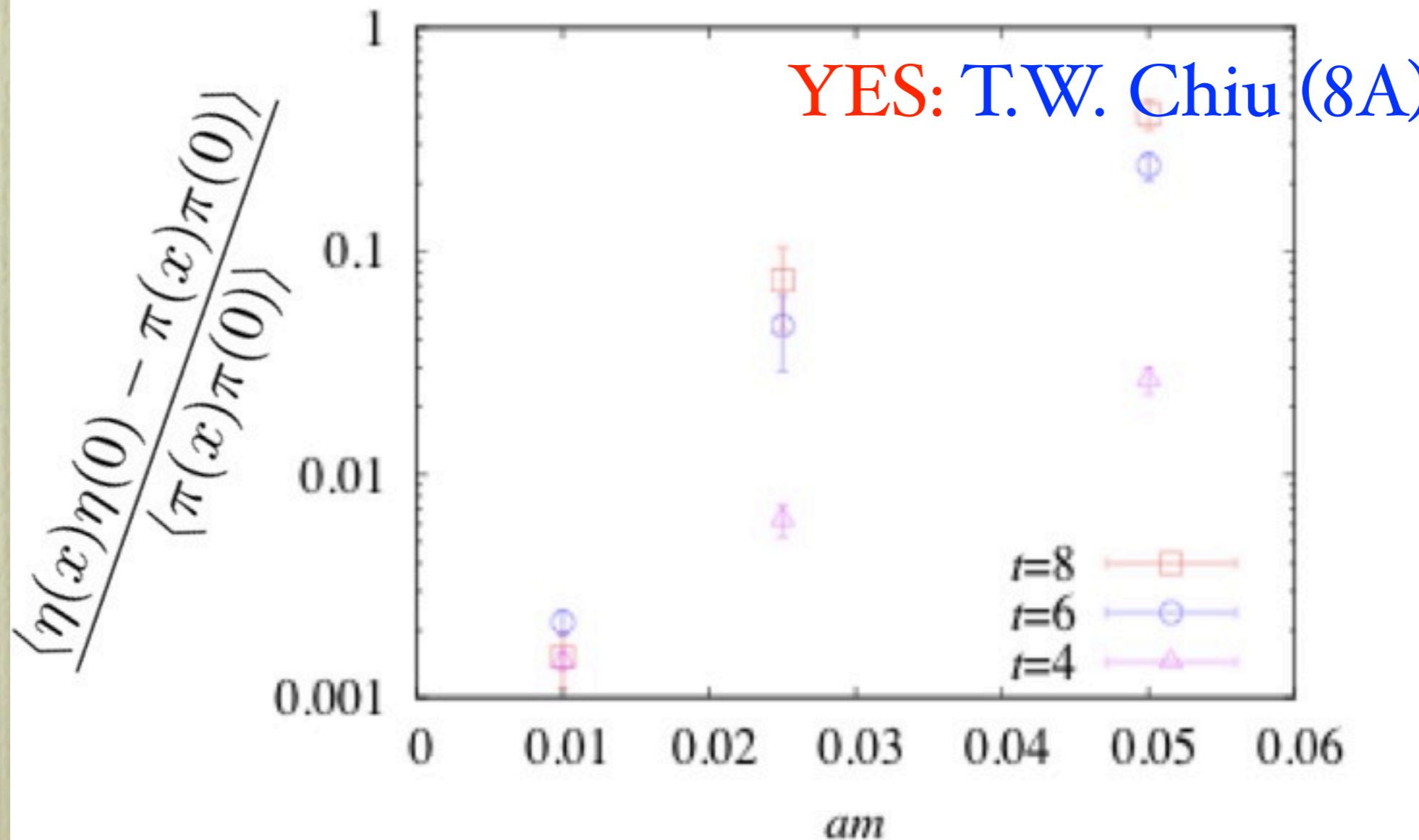
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Lee-Hatsuda	NO	○	○	✗
staggered	NO	○	✗	✗
DFW	NO	○	△	✗
overlap	YES	○	○	✗
Our work	YES	○	○	○

# Our previous work

- The idea:  
Eigenvalue spectrum of Dirac operator may link  $SU(2)$  SSB and  $U(1)$  anomaly

$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$  breaking/restoration

Banks-Casher relation

(near) zero mode spectrum of Dirac operator

index theorem

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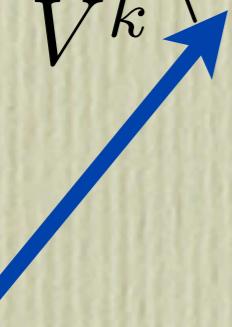
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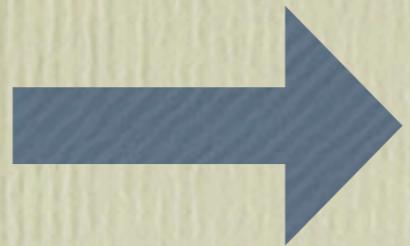
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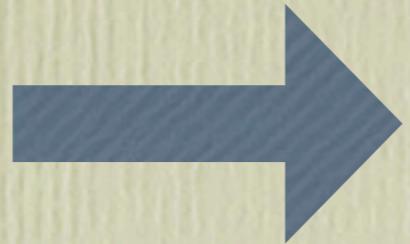


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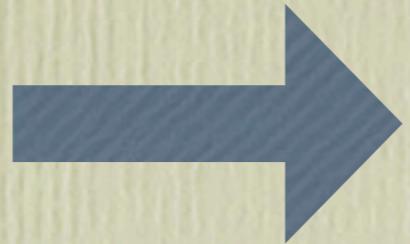
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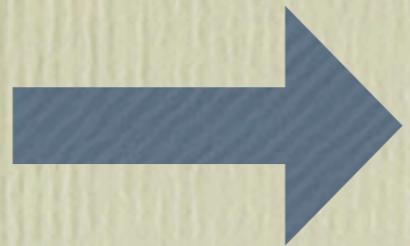
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# Renormalization group analysis

Wilson and Kogut, Zinn-Justin, Pisarski and Wilczek

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  - ★ correlation length  $\xi \rightarrow \infty$
- Long range mode dominates at  $T_c$
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Dimensional regularization  $d=4-\epsilon$  and MS scheme

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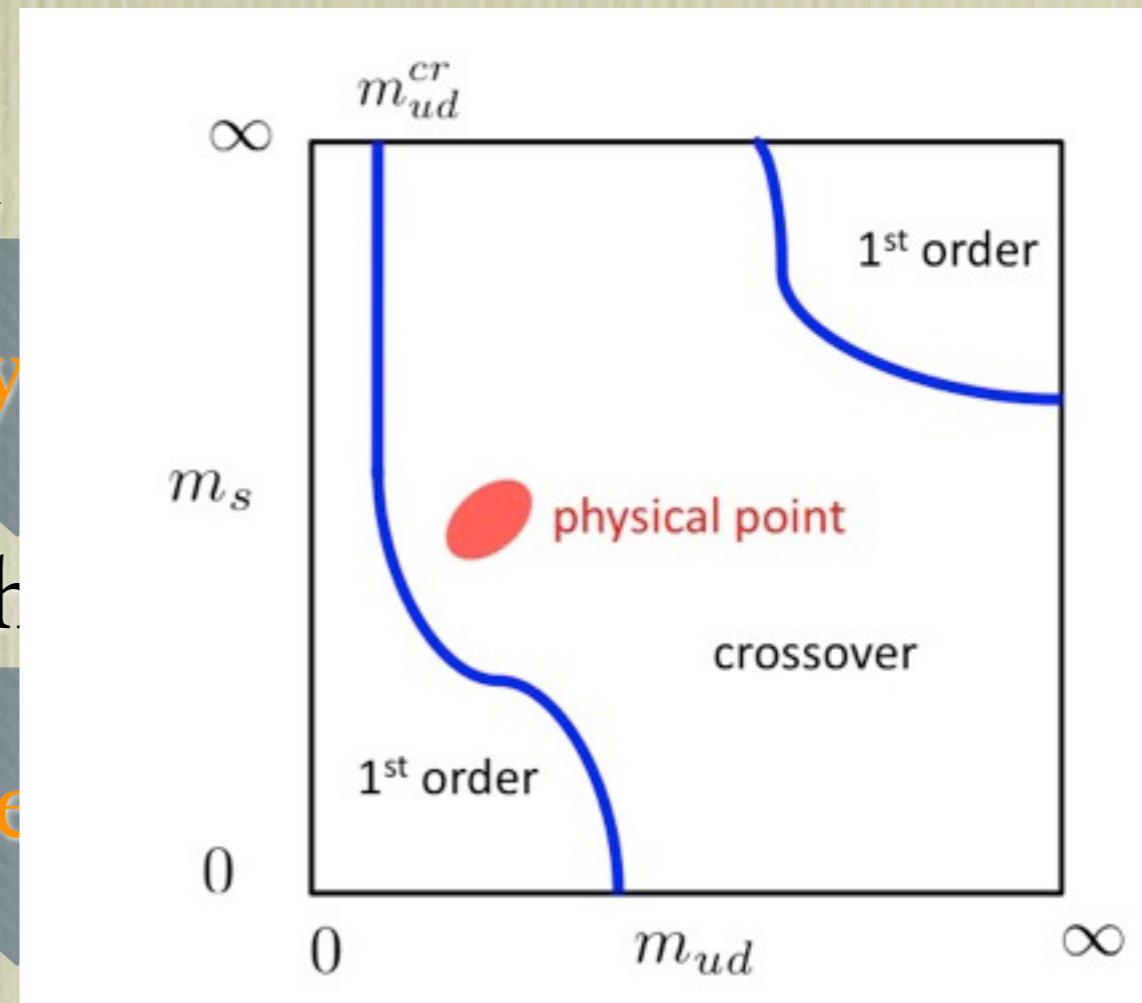
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# Non-perturbative scenario?

Non-perturbative  $\beta$ -function and  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 1$

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2. Stable IR FP is found at  $x=0$

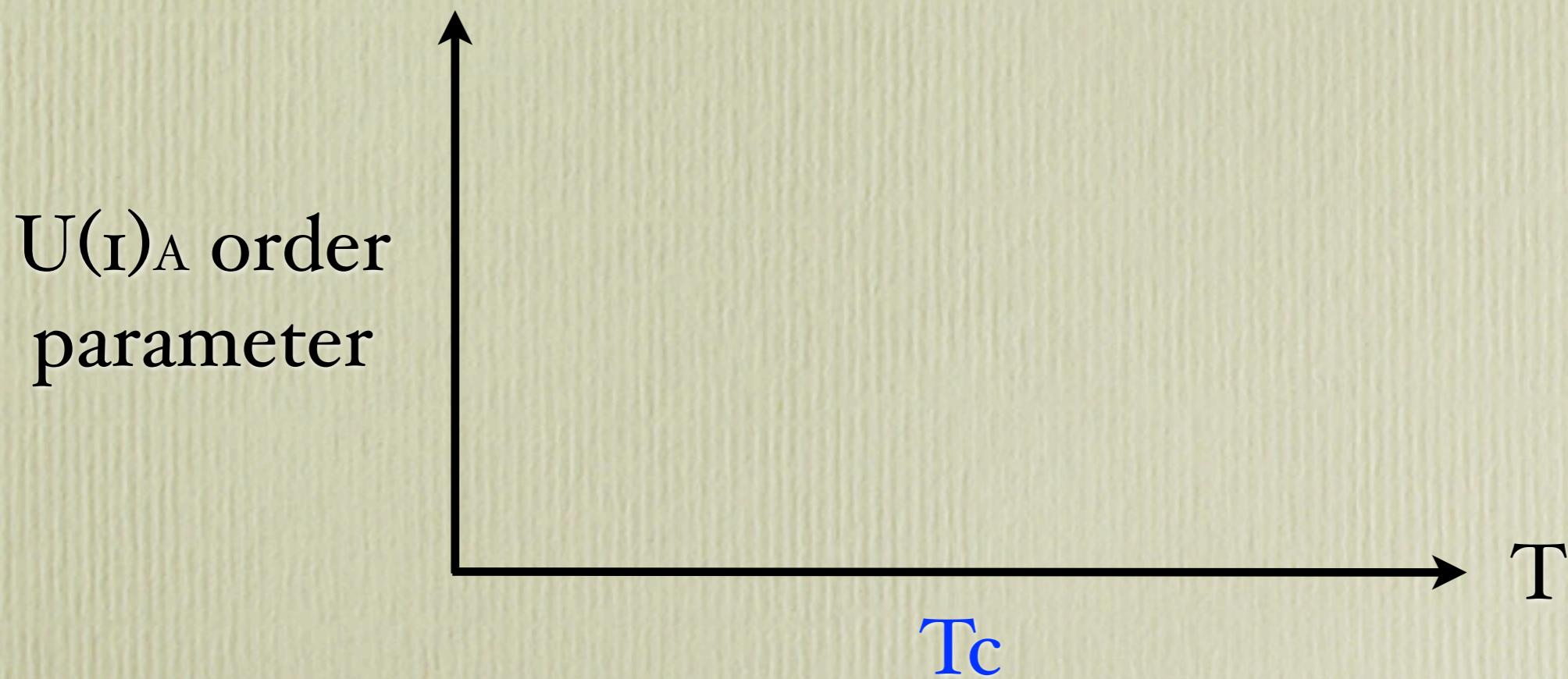
- Lagrangian acquire  $Z_4$  symmetry
- Second order but  $O(4) \times Z_4$  universality class
- $c'=0$  is trivial by the symmetry

3. Stable IR FP is found at non-zero  $x$

- Second order and  $O(4)$  universality class
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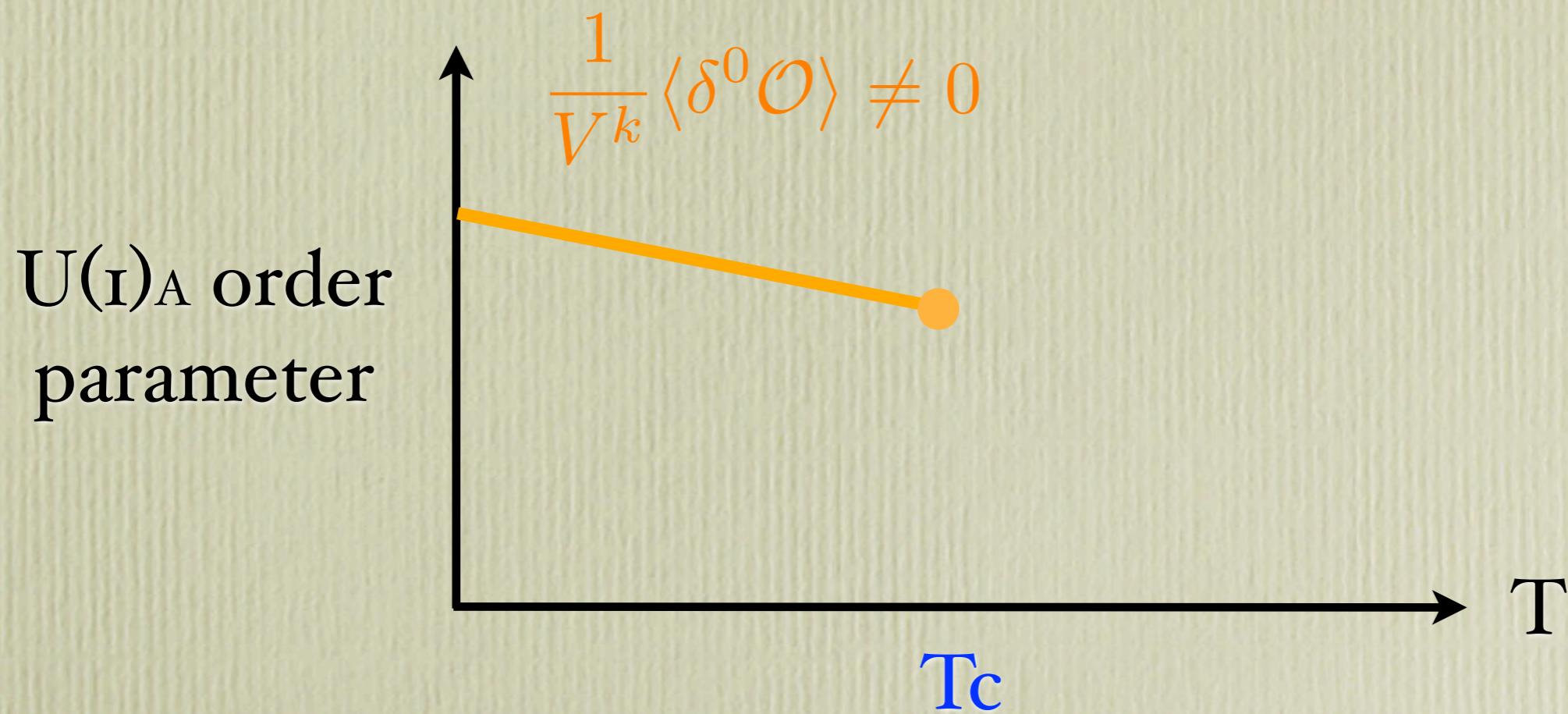
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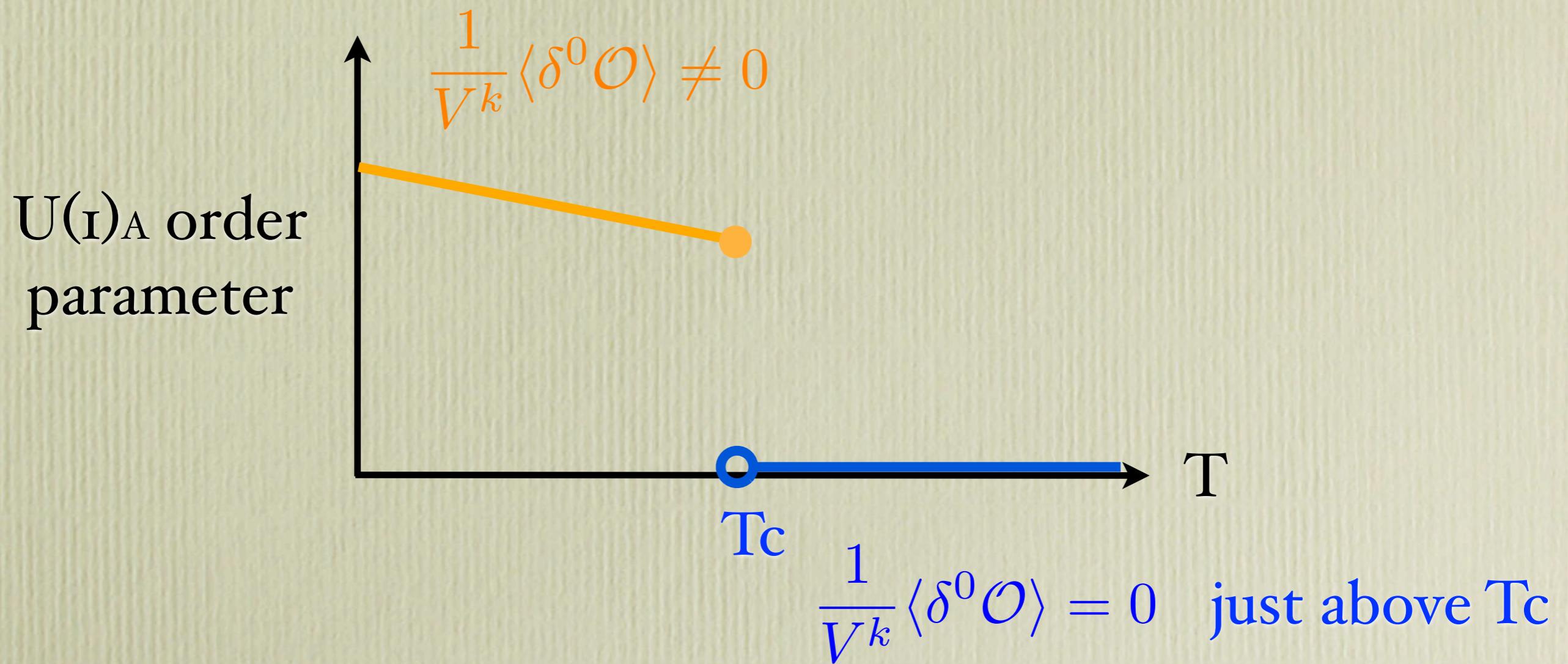
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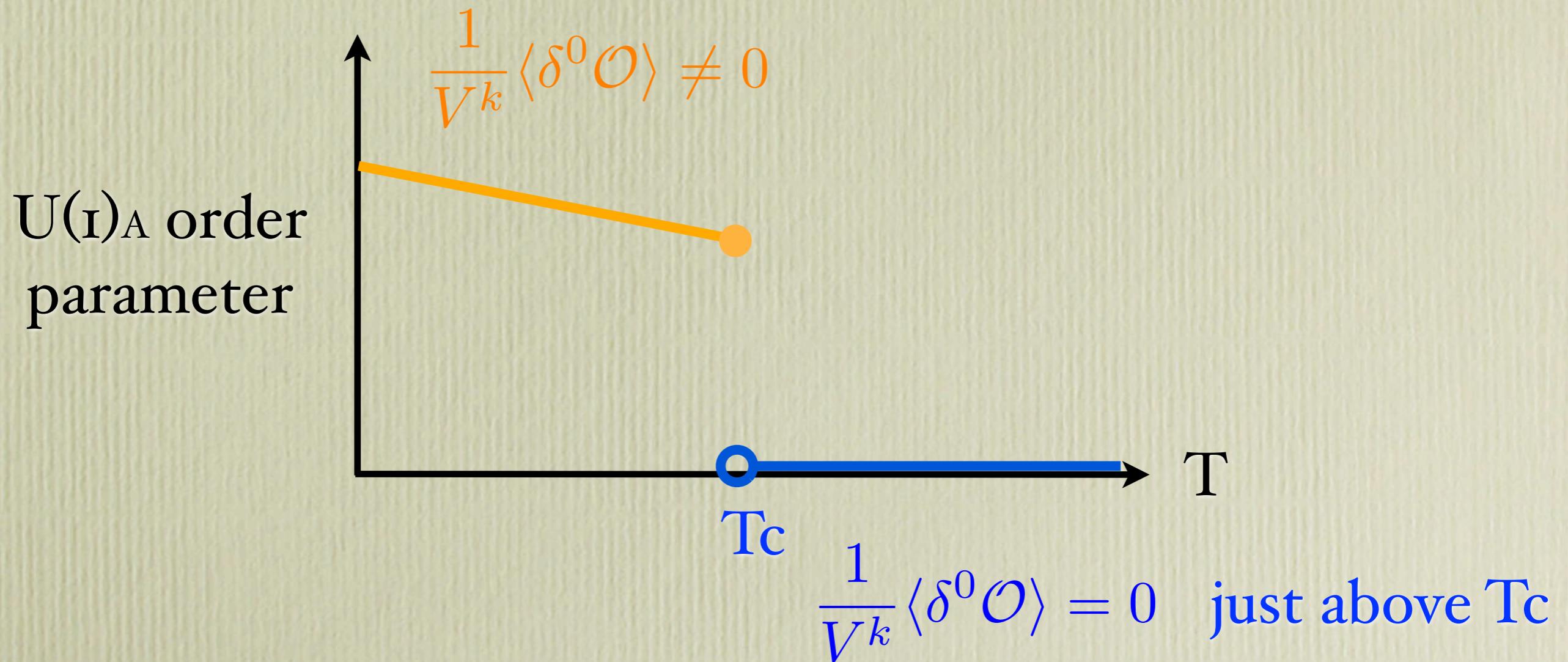
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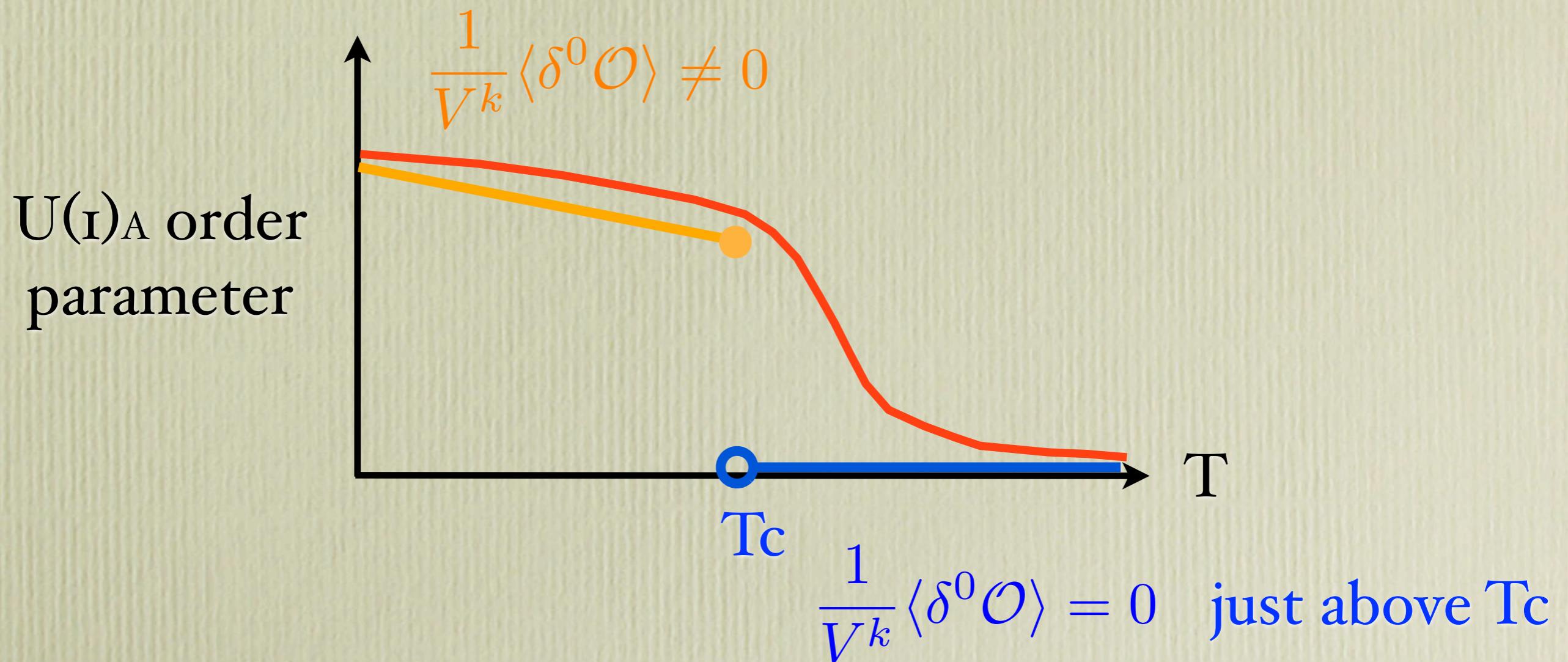
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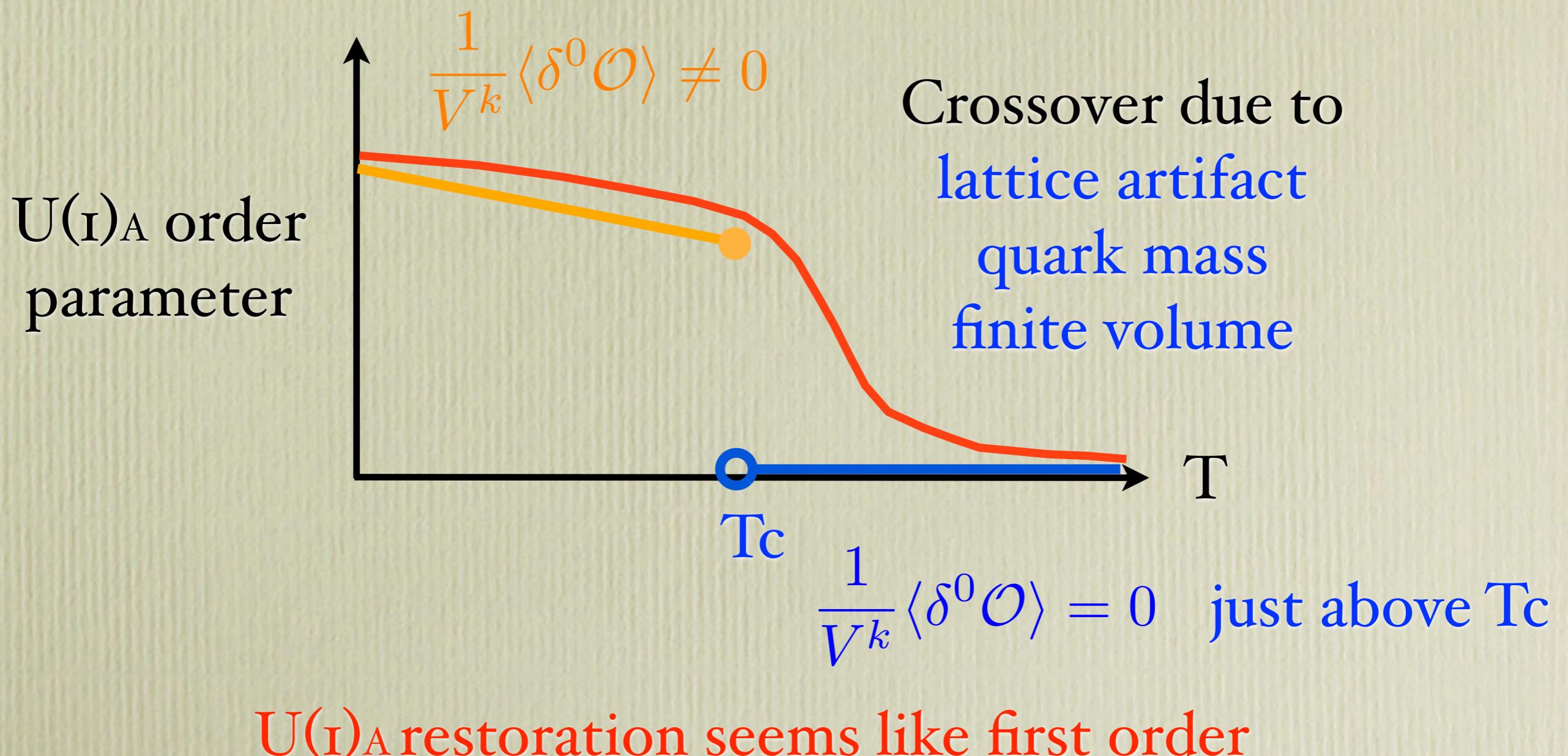
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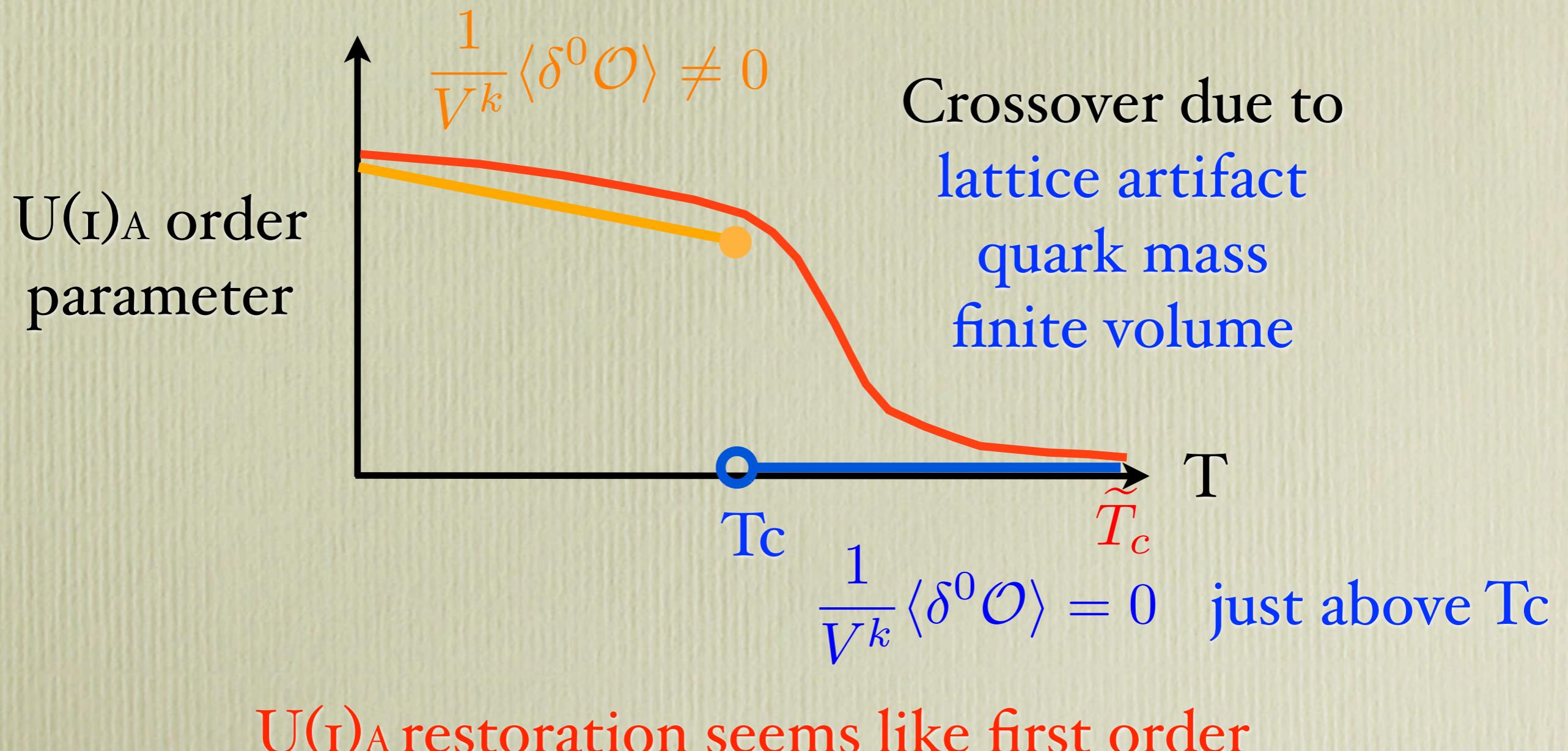
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If you can read this  
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# Non-singlet and singlet chiral susceptibility

Ward-Takahashi identity

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m}{V} \langle P^0 P^a S^a \rangle &= \frac{1}{V} \langle P^0 P^0 - S^a S^a \rangle = \chi^{\eta-\delta} \quad (\text{non-singlet}) \\ &= \frac{1}{V} \langle P^a P^a - S^a S^a \rangle - 4 \left\langle \frac{Q^2}{m^2 V} \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$\chi^{\pi-\delta}$  (singlet)      topological charge



4 point non-singlet order parameter

$$\frac{1}{2V^2} \delta^a \langle S^a (P^0)^3 + (S^a)^3 P^0 \rangle = \frac{1}{V^2} \langle (S^a)^4 - (P^0)^4 \rangle = 0$$

$V \rightarrow \infty$  then  $m \rightarrow 0$

$$\left\langle \frac{Q^2}{m^2 V} \right\rangle = 0$$

# Our Assumptions

1.  $SU(2) \times SU(2)$  fully recovered at  $T_c$ .
2. if  $\mathcal{O}(A)$  is  $m$ -independent ,  

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(A) \rangle_m = f(m^2) \quad f(x) \text{ is analytic at } x=0$$
3. if  $\mathcal{O}(A)$  is  $m$ -independent and positive, and satisfies  

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{m^{2k}} \langle \mathcal{O}(A) \rangle_m = 0$$
  

$$\longrightarrow \langle \mathcal{O}(A) \rangle_m = m^{2(k+1)} \underbrace{\int \mathcal{D}A \hat{P}(m^2, A) \mathcal{O}(A)}_{\text{finite}}$$
  

$$\longrightarrow \langle \mathcal{O}(A)^l \rangle_m = m^{2(k+1)} \int \mathcal{D}A \hat{P}(m^2, A) \mathcal{O}(A)^l = O(m^{2(k+1)})$$
4.  $\rho^A(\lambda) \equiv \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{V} \sum_n \delta \left( \lambda - \sqrt{\bar{\lambda}_n^A \lambda_n^A} \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \rho_n^A \frac{\lambda^n}{n!}$  at  $\lambda = 0$  ( $\lambda < \epsilon$ )  
 (4 can be removed later.)

# Lattice artifact?

We have used full  $SU(2) \times SU(2)$  chiral symmetry. If we use non-chiral lattice fermion, the result should change.

$$\langle \rho^A(\lambda) \rangle_m = \langle \rho_3^A \rangle_0 \frac{\lambda^3}{3!} + \dots$$



$$\begin{aligned} \langle \rho^A(\lambda) \rangle_m = & \alpha m_{\text{break}} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \lambda + \beta m_{\text{break}} \lambda^2 \\ & + (\langle \rho_3^A \rangle_0 + \gamma m_{\text{break}} / \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) \frac{\lambda^3}{3!} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

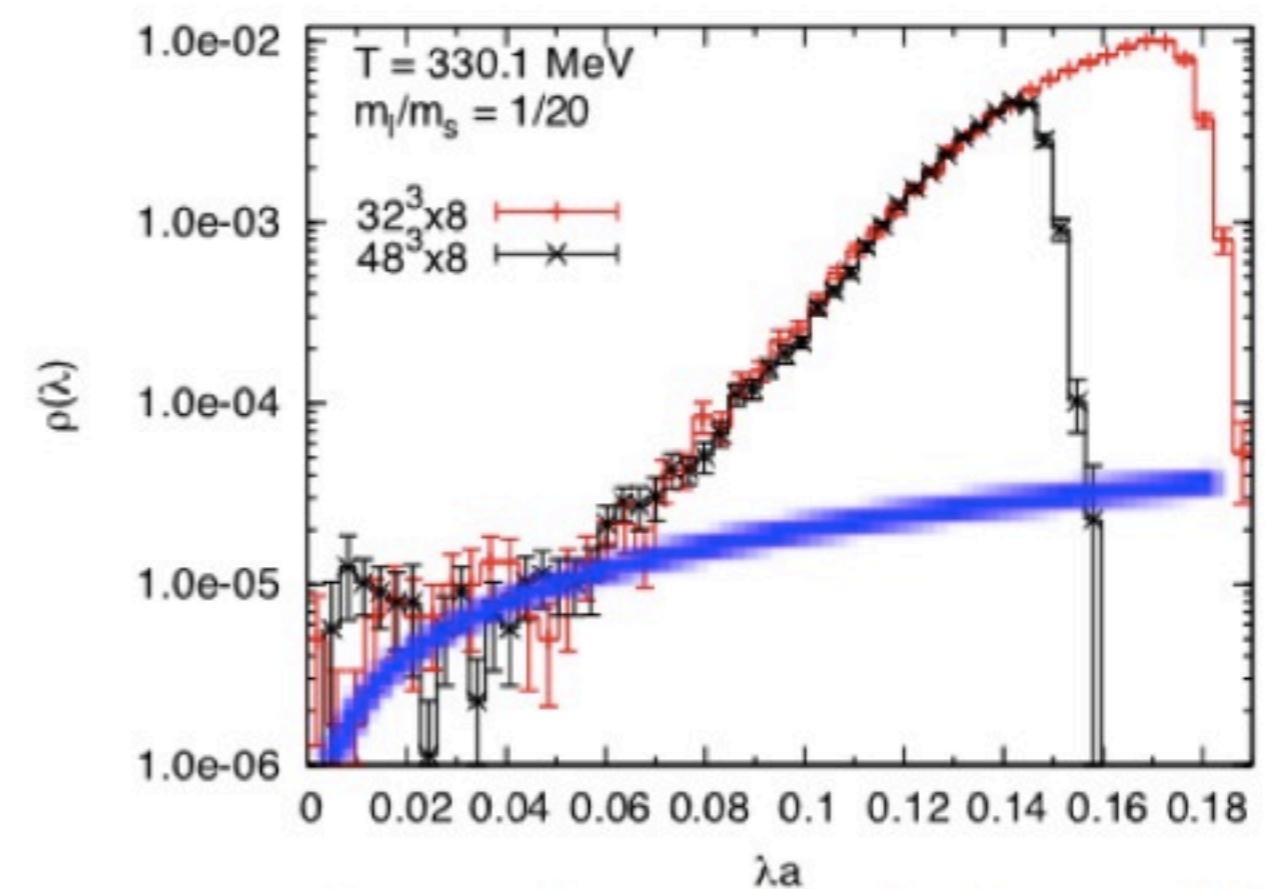
For example, staggered fermion might have

$$m_{\text{break}} \sim a^2 \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^3$$

# Lattice artifact?

Ohno et al. (2012)  
 $U(1)_A$  looks broken  
w/ staggered fermion.

$$m_{\text{break}} \sim 4 \text{ MeV}$$



Our estimate for lattice artifact

# Leading terms in WT identity

Ward-Takahashi identity  $\frac{1}{V^k} \langle \delta^0 \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{4i}{V^k} \langle Q_{\text{top.}} \mathcal{O} \rangle$

Need to consider the leading order term

Anomaly contribution is leading order

