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INSTABILITY OF NON-ABELIAN GAUGE THEORIES  
AND IMPOSSIBILITY OF CHOICE OF COULOMB GAUGE\*

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ABSTRACT

In this lecture it is demonstrated that by virtue of the impossibility of introducing Coulomb gauge for large fields and of the growth of the invariant charge at large distances, non-Abelian gauge theories may not be formulated as a theory of interacting massless particles. This assertion appears as a strong argument in favor of the idea that the spectrum of states in non-Abelian theories is substantially different from the spectrum of states in perturbation theory.

# Confinement in Coulomb gauge

## What does the lattice teach us?



## Together with:

- M. Quandt
- H. Reinhardt
- M. Schröck
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Sizable cut-off effects: scale with  $a_t^{-1}$  ...

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$$S = \beta \sum_x \left\{ \gamma \sum_{j>i=1}^d \left( 1 - \frac{1}{N_c} \Re [\text{Tr}(P_{ij}(x))] \right) + \frac{1}{\gamma} \sum_{i=1}^d \left( 1 - \frac{1}{N_c} \Re [\text{Tr}(P_{i,d+1}(x))] \right) \right\}$$

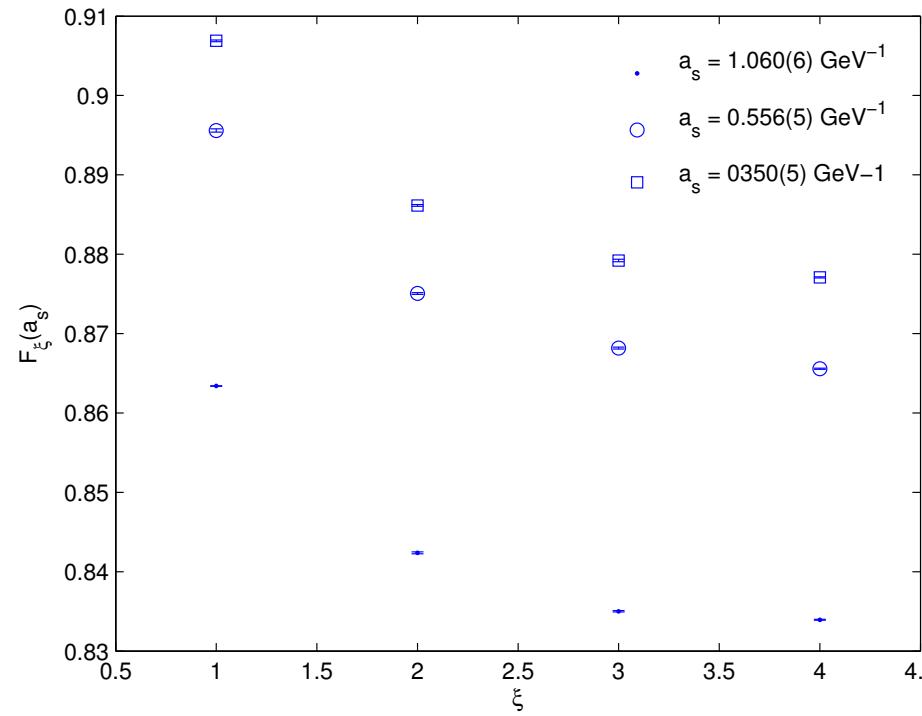
$\gamma$  bare anisotropy. Must fix  $\xi = \frac{a_s}{a_t}$  non-perturbatively!

$T = 0$  simulations on a  $L^3 \times (\xi L)$  lattice.

Need  $\xi \gg 1$  for good scaling!



## Strong effect, e.g. on $F(A)$ for fixed $a_s$



Large corrections, scale with  $a_t^2$ ,  $a_t^4$  (glueball spectrum!)



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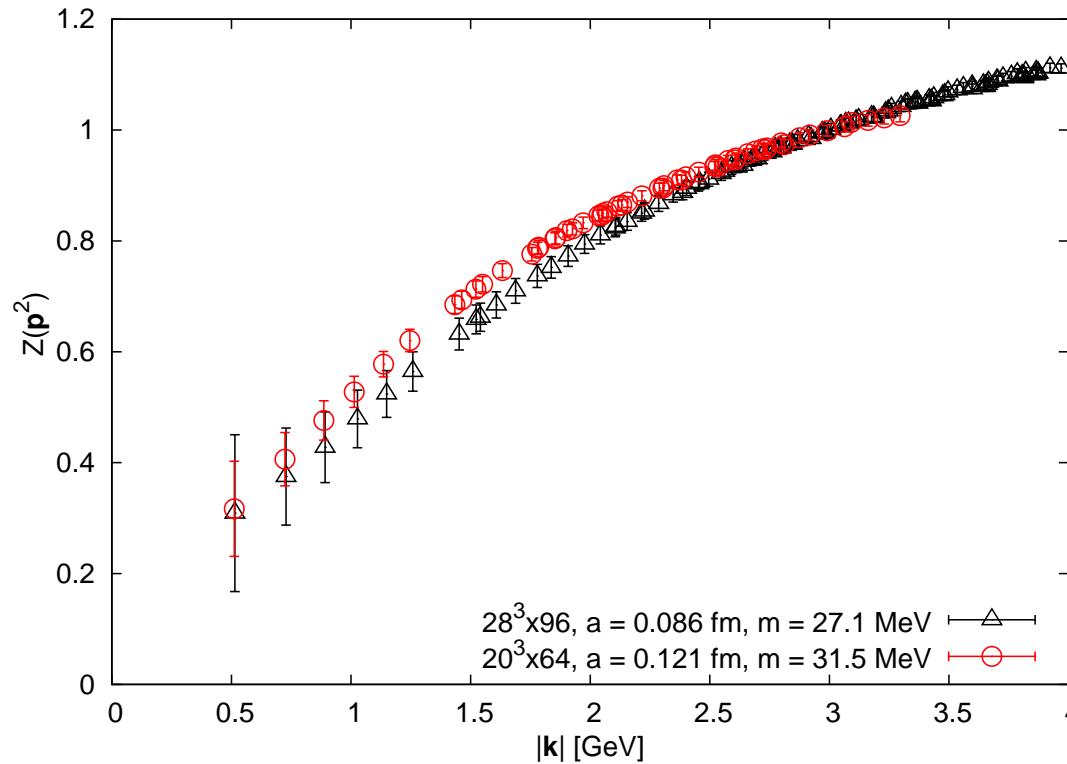
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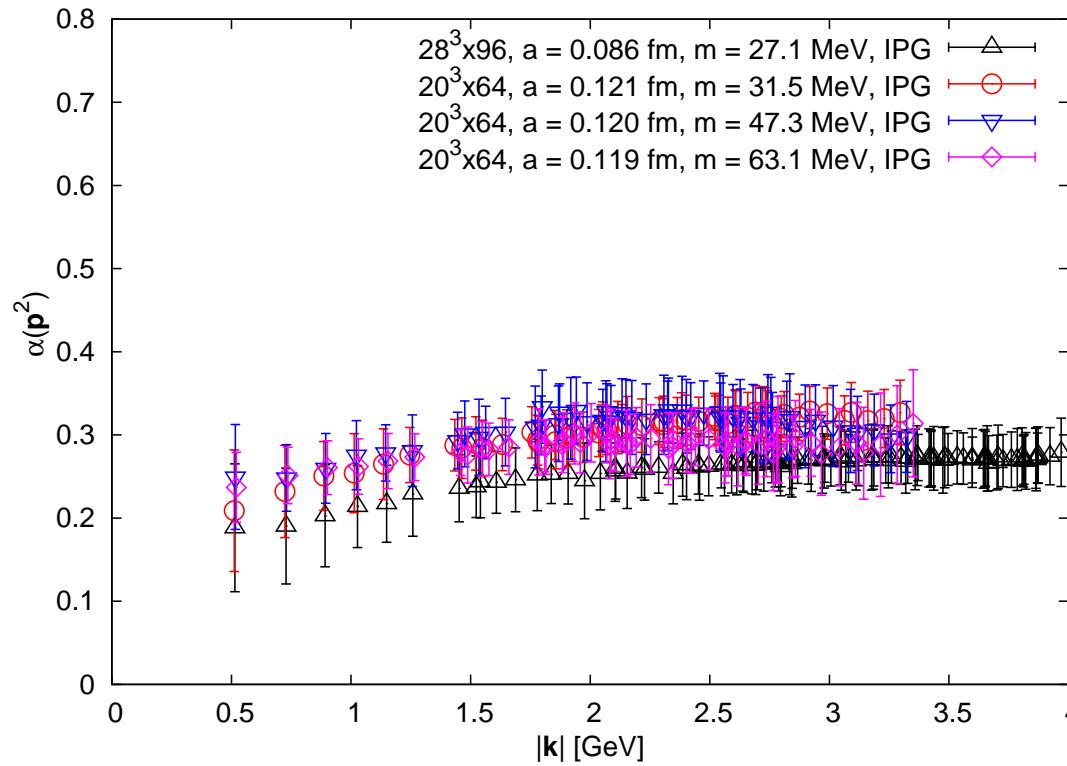


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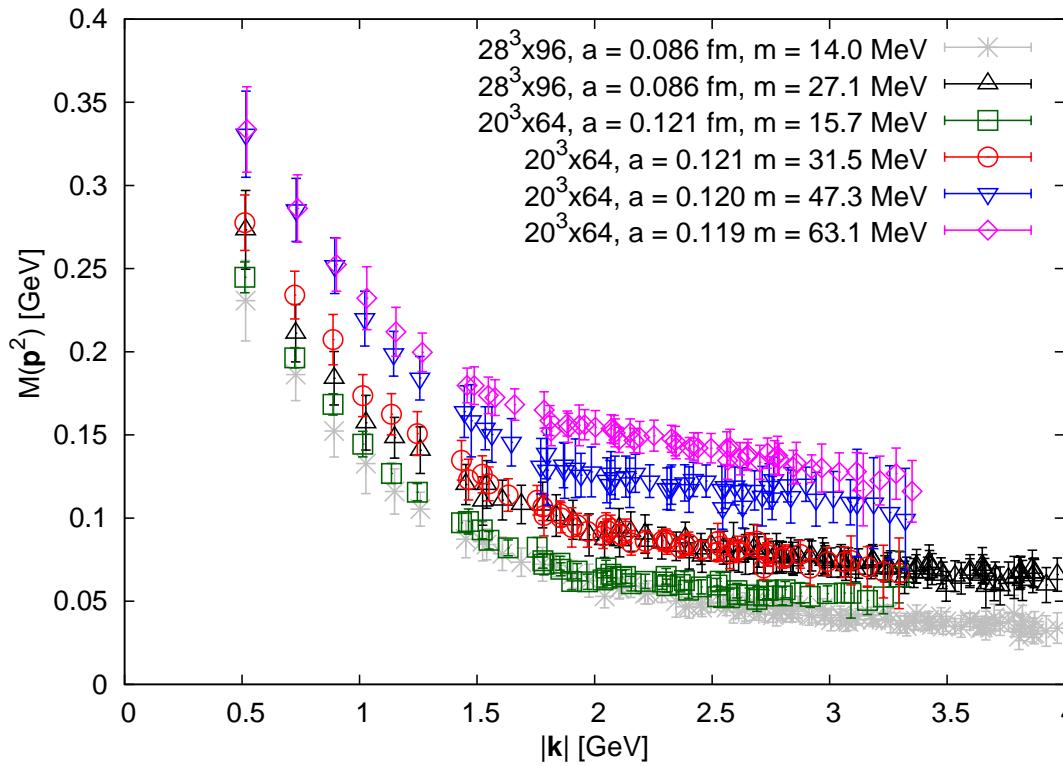


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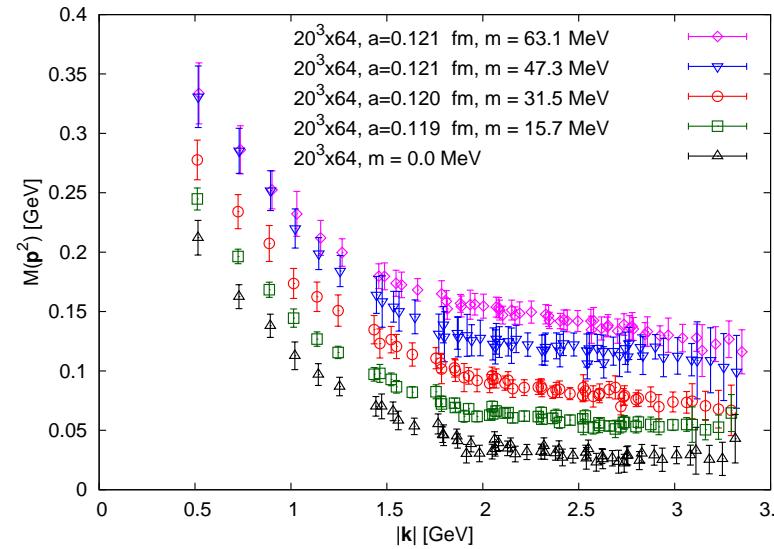


# $M(\vec{p})$ scale invariant (for fixed quark mass!)





# Chiral limit for $M(\vec{p})$



$$M(|\vec{k}|, m_b) = \frac{m_\chi(m_b)}{1 + b \frac{|\vec{k}|^2}{\Lambda^2} \log \left( e + \frac{|\vec{k}|^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)^{-\gamma}} + \frac{m_r(m_b)}{\log \left( e + \frac{|\vec{k}|^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)^\gamma}$$

$b = 2.9(1)$ ,  $\gamma = 0.84(2)$ ,  $\Lambda = 1.22(6)$  GeV,  $m_\chi(0) = 0.31(1)$  GeV,  $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} = 1.06$



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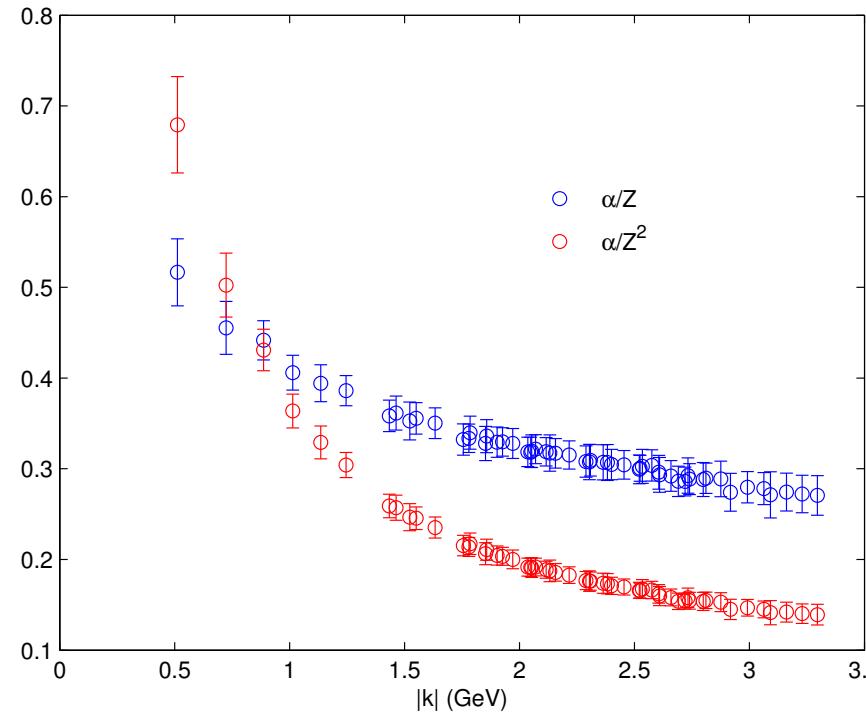
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$M(|\vec{p}|) \rightarrow m_\chi$ . Only  $\frac{\alpha}{Z^{(2)}}$  relevant for IR...



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