



# Perturbative analysis of twisted volume reduced theories

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## Objective

- ✦ Investigate the volume and large  $N$  dependence of Yang-Mills theories
- ✦ Revival of large  $N$  volume reduction:
  - Twisted Eguchi-Kawai [González-Arroyo & Okawa](#)
  - Continuum reduction [Narayanan & Neuberger](#)
  - Adjoint fermions [Kotvun, Unsal & Yaffe](#)
- ✦ Use the volume dependence to control the onset of non-perturbative effects  
(‘t Hooft, Lüscher, [González-Arroyo](#), van Baal, ...)

## In this talk

$SU(N)$  pure gauge Yang-Mills with twisted boundary conditions

Volume effects depend on  $l_{\text{eff}}$

• 2-d torus  $\times$  R - Effective size  $l_{\text{eff}} = N l$

• 4-d torus - Effective size  $l_{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{N} l$

◆ Perturbative analysis

◆  $SU(N)$  non-perturbative results in 2+1 dimensions

# Twisted Boundary Conditions ('t Hooft) d torus size l

$$A_\mu(x + l \hat{\nu}) = \Gamma_\nu A_\mu(x) \Gamma_\nu^\dagger \quad \Gamma_\mu \Gamma_\nu = e^{\frac{2\pi i n_{\mu\nu}}{N}} \Gamma_\nu \Gamma_\mu$$

Irreducible twists -  $N^2 - 1$  linearly independent **traceless**  $\hat{\Gamma}(p)$

$$T^a A_\nu^a(x) = \mathcal{N} \sum_p e^{ip \cdot x} \hat{A}_\nu(p) \hat{\Gamma}(p)$$

$$\mathcal{N} \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}}$$

$$p_\mu = p_\mu^s + p_\mu^c$$

◆ **2-torus**  $n_{ij} = \epsilon_{ij} k$

$$\vec{p}^c = \frac{2\pi \vec{n}}{Nl}$$

◆ **4-torus**  $n_{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu} k \sqrt{N}$

$$p_\mu^c = \frac{2\pi n_\mu}{\sqrt{N} l}$$

**Effective box - size**

$$p_\mu = \frac{2\pi n_\mu}{l_{\text{eff}}}$$

$$n_\mu \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$n \neq 0 \pmod{N_{\text{eff}}}$$

# Perturbation theory

**Group structure constants**  $F(-p, q, \tilde{q}) = -2i \text{Tr}(\hat{\Gamma}^\dagger(p) [\hat{\Gamma}(q), \hat{\Gamma}(\tilde{q})])$

$$F(p, q, -p - q) = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \sin\left(\frac{\theta_{\mu\nu}}{2} p_\mu q_\nu\right)$$

$$\theta_{\mu\nu} = \left(\frac{l_{\text{eff}}}{2\pi}\right)^2 \times \tilde{\epsilon}_{\mu\nu} \tilde{\theta}$$

in 2-d

$$\tilde{\theta} = \frac{2\pi \bar{k}}{N}$$

$$n_{ij} = \epsilon_{ij} k$$

$$k\bar{k} = 1 \pmod{N}$$

in 4-d

$$\tilde{\theta} = \frac{2\pi \bar{k}}{\sqrt{N}}$$

$$n_{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu} k \sqrt{N}$$

$$k\bar{k} = 1 \pmod{\sqrt{N}}$$

# Feynman rules

González-Arroyo, Okawa, Korthals-Altes

Momenta quantized in units of	$l_{\text{eff}}$	$N l$	2-d
Vertices		$\sqrt{N} l$	4-d

$$g \mathcal{N} F(p, q, \tilde{q}) = -\sqrt{\frac{2\lambda}{V_{\text{eff}}}} \sin(\theta_{\mu\nu} q_{\mu} \tilde{q}_{\nu})$$

$$\theta_{\mu\nu} = \left(\frac{l_{\text{eff}}}{2\pi}\right)^2 \times \tilde{\epsilon}_{\mu\nu} \tilde{\theta}$$

Non-commutativity

In perturbation theory, physics depends on

$$\tilde{\theta}, \lambda, l_{\text{eff}}$$

Volume independence or Reduction

## Possible caveats

### ◆ Perturbative instabilities in the large N limit

Negative self-energy  $\longrightarrow$  Tachyonic instabilities

Hayakawa, Guralnik e.a., Bietenholz e.a., .....

### ◆ Non-perturbative effects ?

1- point lattice TEK

$$n_{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu} k \sqrt{N}$$

Symmetry breaking Ishikawa&Okawa, Teper&Vairinhos, e.a., Azeyanagi e.a.

Avoided if

$$k \text{ and } \bar{k} \propto N \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

González-Arroyo & Okawa

## Results in 2+1 d

$$T^2 \times R \text{ with } n_{12} = k$$

Look at the energy of **electric flux**

**Mass Gap** in PT

$$\frac{2\pi |\vec{n}|}{Nl}$$

$$\vec{n} \neq \vec{0} \pmod{N}$$

$$e_i = -\bar{k} \epsilon_{ij} n_j, \quad \text{with } k\bar{k} = 1 \pmod{N}$$

Generated by **Polyakov loop operators** (winding = e)



# Perturbation theory

4-d SU(2)

Daniel, González-Arroyo,  
Korthals-Altes

## Glueon dispersion relation

Lattice

Lüscher & Weisz, Snippe

$$\mathcal{E}^2(p) = \vec{p}^2 - \sum_{\mu} \Pi_{\mu\mu}(p) |_{\text{on-shell}}$$

$$\vec{p} = \frac{2\pi\vec{n}}{NL}$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}^2}{\lambda^2} = \vec{p}^2 - \frac{4\pi}{Nl\lambda} G\left(\frac{\vec{e}}{N}\right)$$

$$G\left(\frac{\vec{e}}{N}\right) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} \left( \theta_3^2(0, x) - \prod_{i=1}^2 \theta_3\left(\frac{e_i}{N}, ix\right) - \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

## Remarks

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}^2}{\lambda^2} = \frac{|\vec{n}|^2}{4x^2} - \frac{1}{x} G\left(\frac{\vec{e}}{N}\right)$$

- ◆  $\lambda$  dimensionful +  $Nl$  dependence

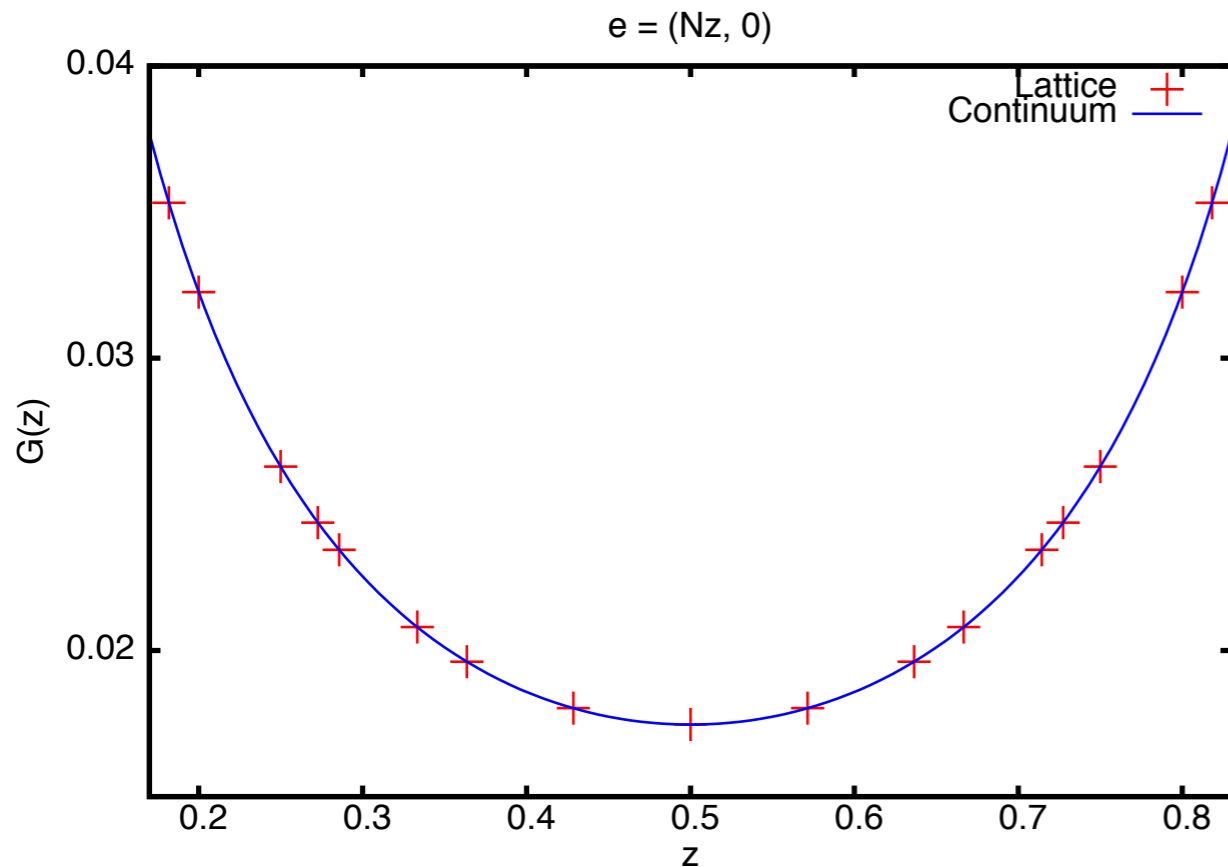
Dimensionless quantities depend on  $x = \frac{Nl\lambda}{4\pi}$

- ◆ Tachyonic instability

$$x_T(\vec{e}) = \frac{|\vec{n}|^2}{4G\left(\frac{\vec{e}}{N}\right)}$$

Non-commutative geometry, Guralnik et al.

◆ Tachyonic instability



$$x_T(\vec{e}) = \frac{|\vec{n}|^2}{4G(\frac{\vec{e}}{N})}$$

$$G\left(\frac{\vec{e}}{N}\right) \propto \frac{N}{|\vec{e}|}$$

$$x_T(\vec{e}) = \frac{|\vec{e}||\vec{n}|^2}{4N}$$

$$e_i = -\bar{k}\epsilon_{ij}n_j$$

$$x_T = \frac{4\pi^2 k^2}{N} \quad |\vec{e}| = 1$$

$$x_T = \frac{4\pi^2 \bar{k}}{N} \quad |\vec{n}| = 1$$

$k$  and  $\bar{k} \propto N$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$

◆ If  $x_T > 1$  PT not enough to claim instability

# Non-perturbative effects

Electric-flux energies grow linearly with  $l$

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}}{\lambda} = \frac{\sigma_{\vec{e}} l}{\lambda}$$

$$\sigma_{\vec{e}} = N \sigma' \phi\left(\frac{\vec{e}}{N}\right)$$

$$\phi(z) = \phi(1 - z)$$

$$\phi(z) = z(1 - z)$$

$$\phi(z) = \sin(\pi z)/\pi$$

- ◆ Compatible with **reduction**
- ◆ The linear growth can overcome the tachyonic behaviour

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}(z)}{\lambda} = 4\pi x \frac{\sigma'}{\lambda^2} \phi(z)$$

## Subleading $1/l$ effects

Nambu-Goto with winding  $\vec{e}$  on **Kalb-Ramond B-field** background

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}^2(\vec{e})}{\lambda^2} = \left(\frac{\sigma|\vec{e}|l}{\lambda}\right)^2 - \frac{\pi\sigma}{3\lambda^2} + \sum_i \left(\frac{\epsilon_{ij}e_j B}{\lambda l}\right)^2$$

Low energy - non-commutative field theory

Susskind & Witten

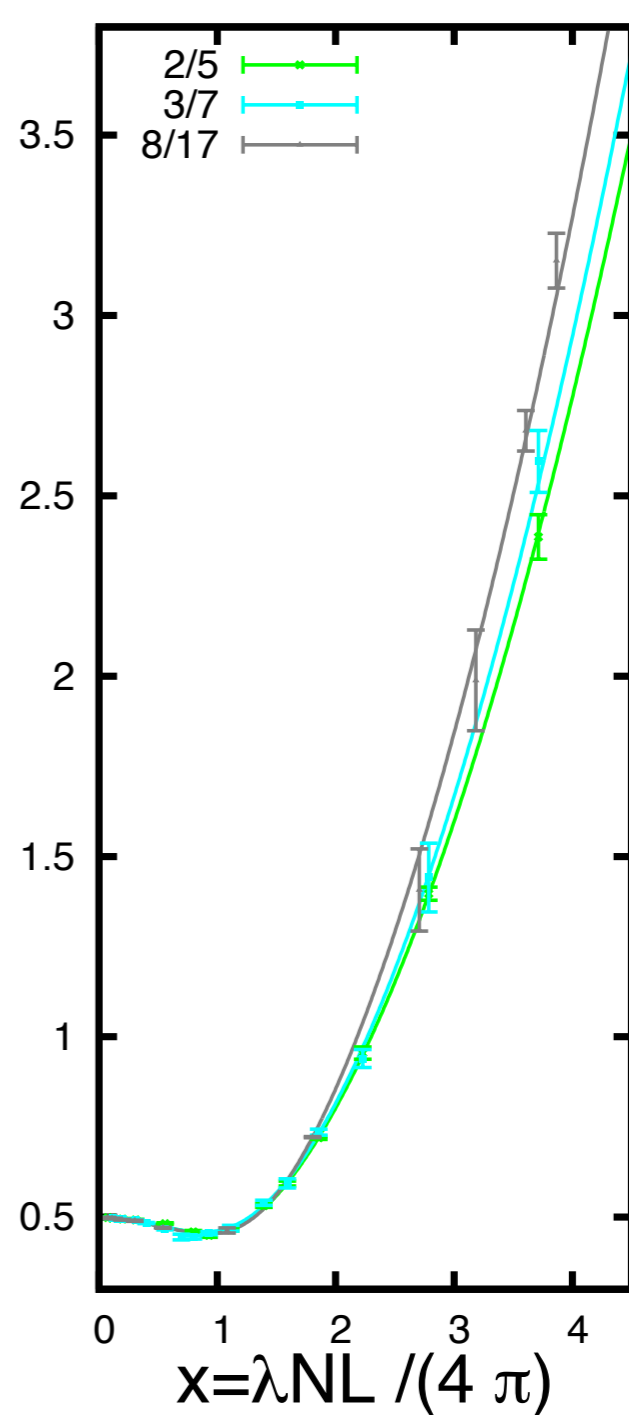
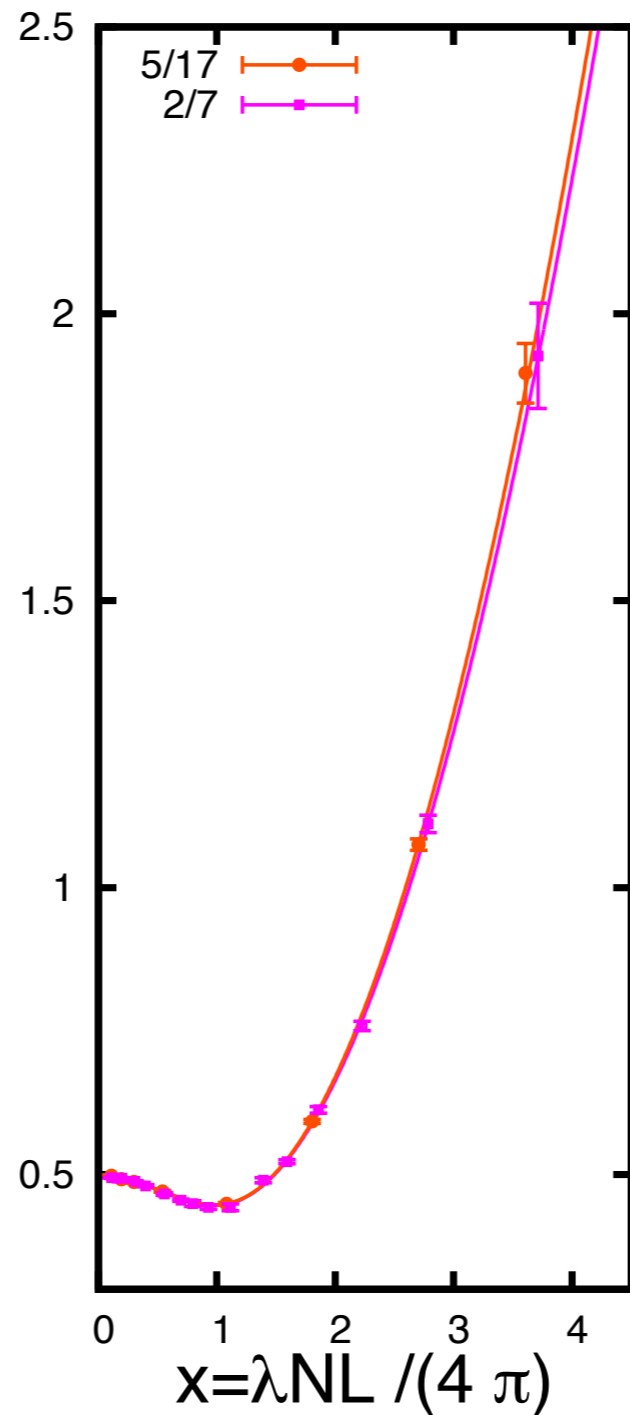
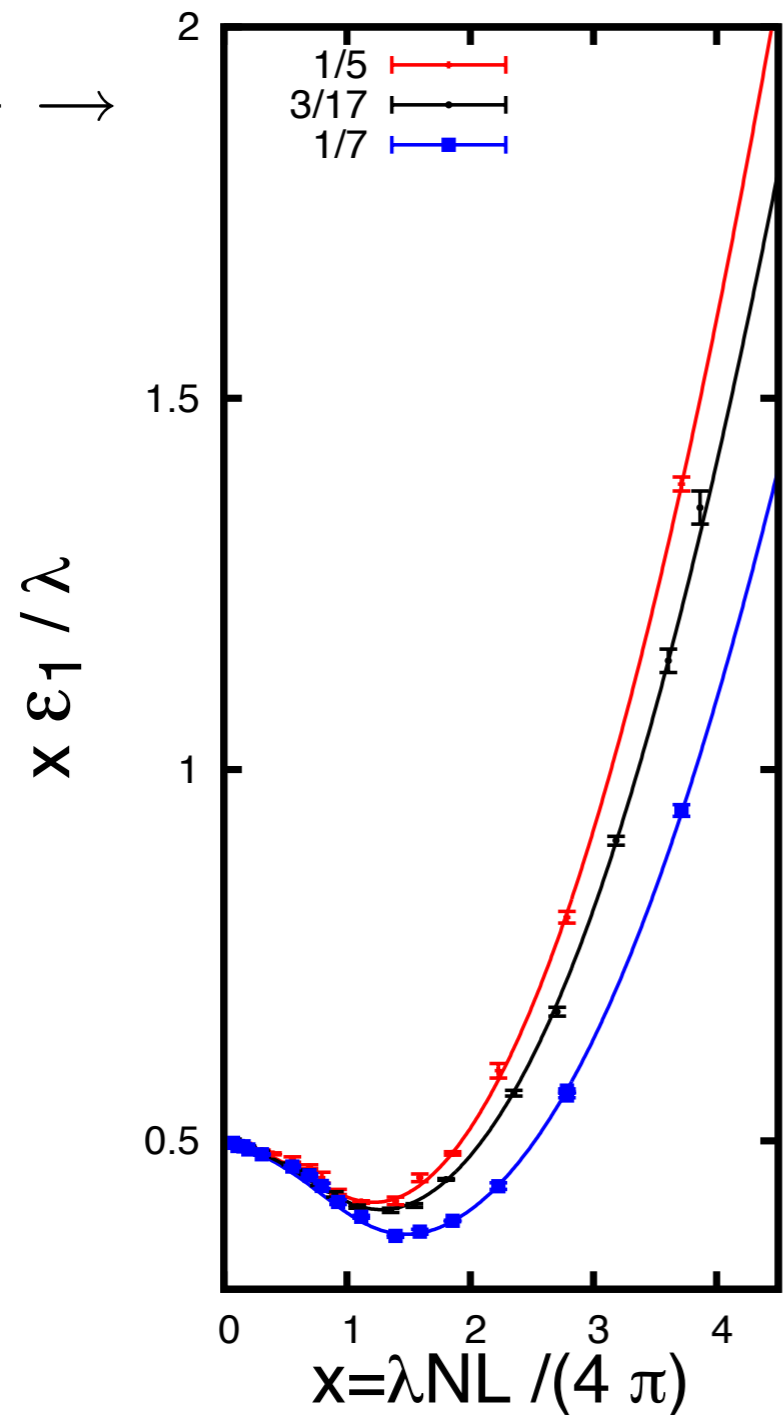
$$\theta_{ij} = -\epsilon_{ij} l^2 \frac{1}{B} \longleftrightarrow \theta_{ij} = -\epsilon_{ij} l^2 \frac{N\bar{k}}{2\pi}$$

$$B = \frac{2\pi k}{N} \longrightarrow \left(\frac{2\pi|\vec{n}|}{Nl\lambda}\right)^2 \quad \text{tree-level PT}$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}_1^2}{\lambda^2} = \gamma^2 x^2 + \beta + \frac{1}{4x^2}$$

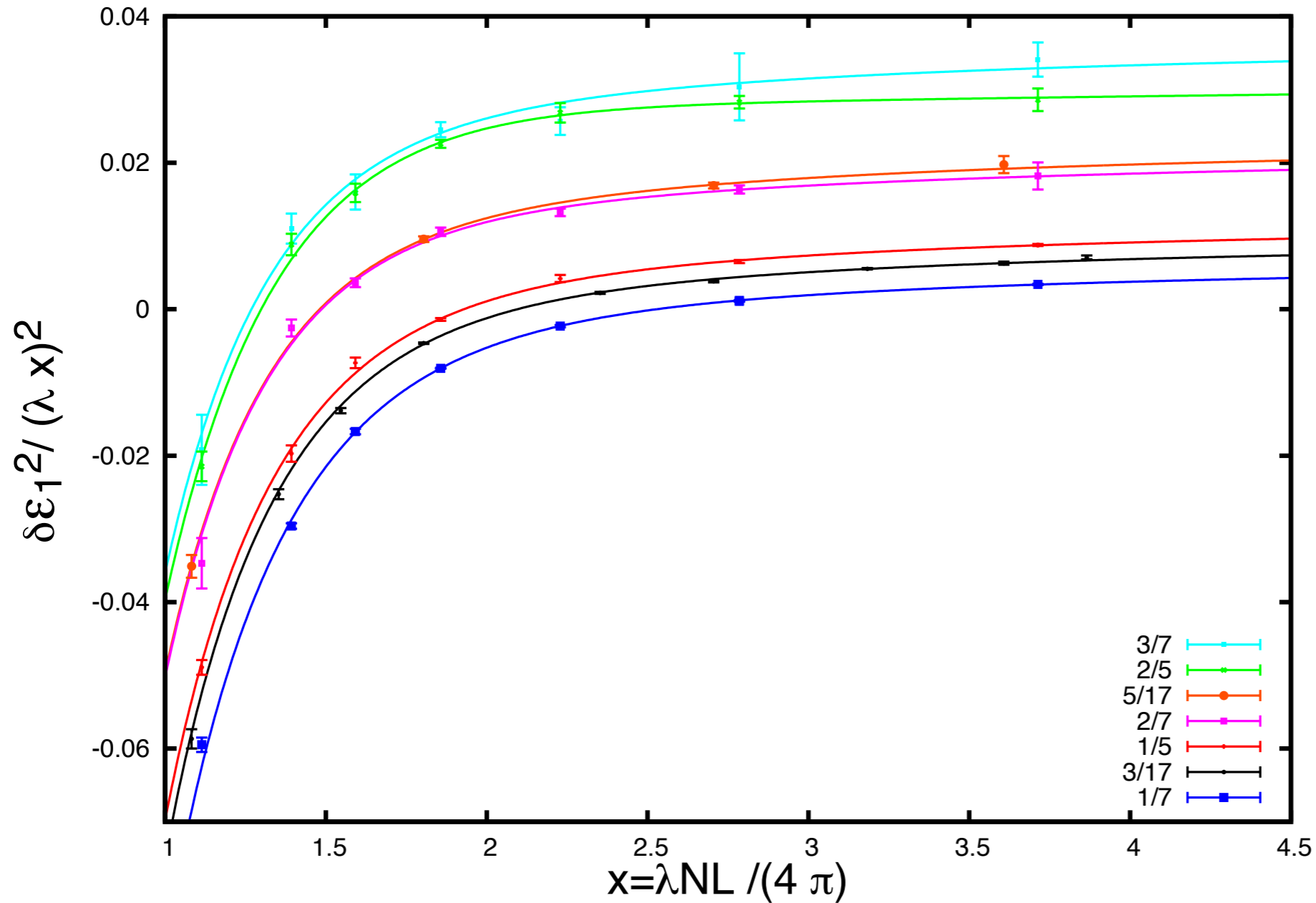
$$\frac{\mathcal{E}_1^2}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{4x^2} + \frac{\alpha}{x} + \frac{\mathcal{A}}{x^3 \sqrt{x}} e^{-\frac{s_0}{x}} + \beta + \gamma^2 x^2$$

$$\vec{n} = (1, 0)$$

 $\frac{\tilde{\theta}}{2\pi} \rightarrow$ 


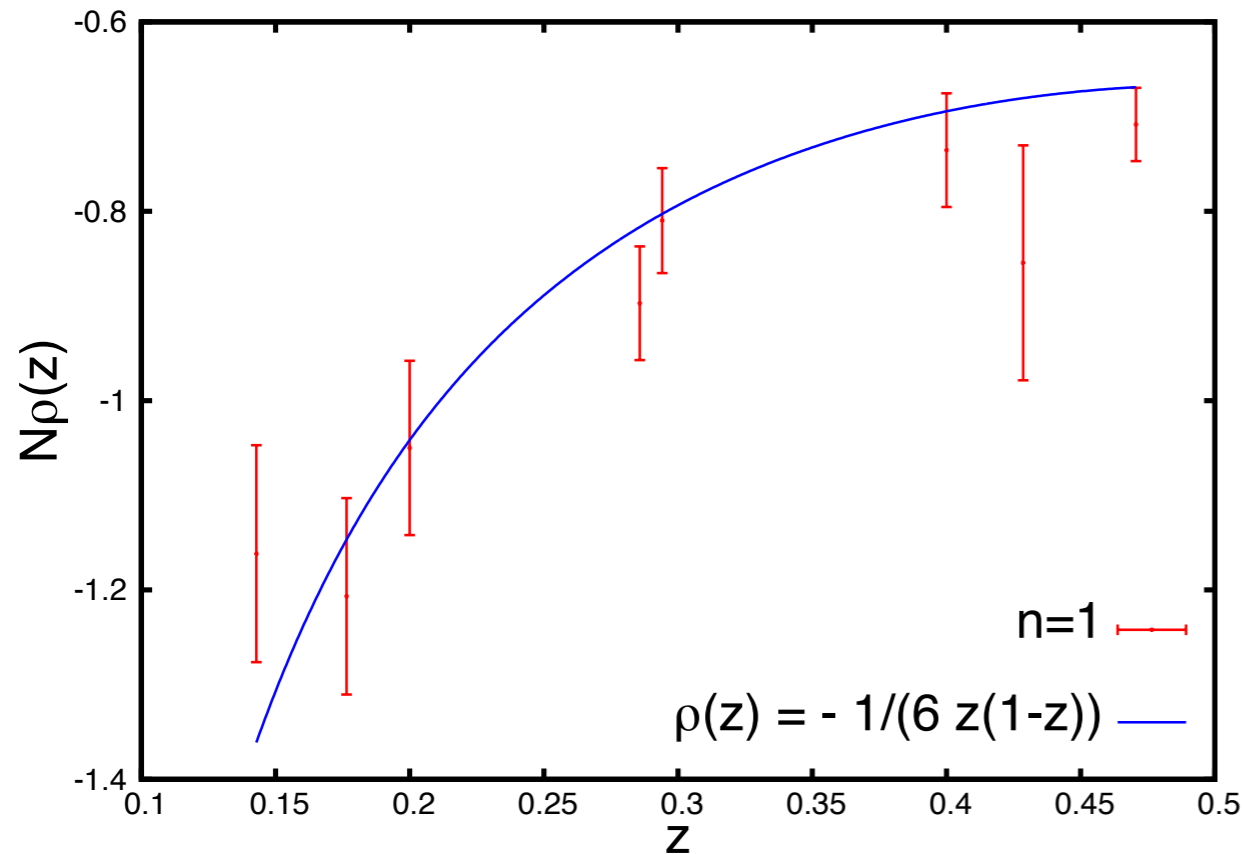
# String tension

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}_1^2}{\lambda^2 x^2} - \frac{1}{4x^4} = \left( \frac{4\pi\sigma'}{\lambda^2} \phi(z) \right)^2 + \dots$$



$$\leftarrow \left( \frac{4\pi\sigma'}{\lambda^2} \phi(z) \right)^2$$

$$\leftarrow \frac{\tilde{\theta}}{2\pi}$$



Lüscher term  $\mathcal{E} = \sigma l + \frac{\pi\rho}{l} + \dots$

$$N\rho(z) \equiv \frac{2\beta}{\gamma} = \frac{\mathcal{C}}{z(1-z)}$$

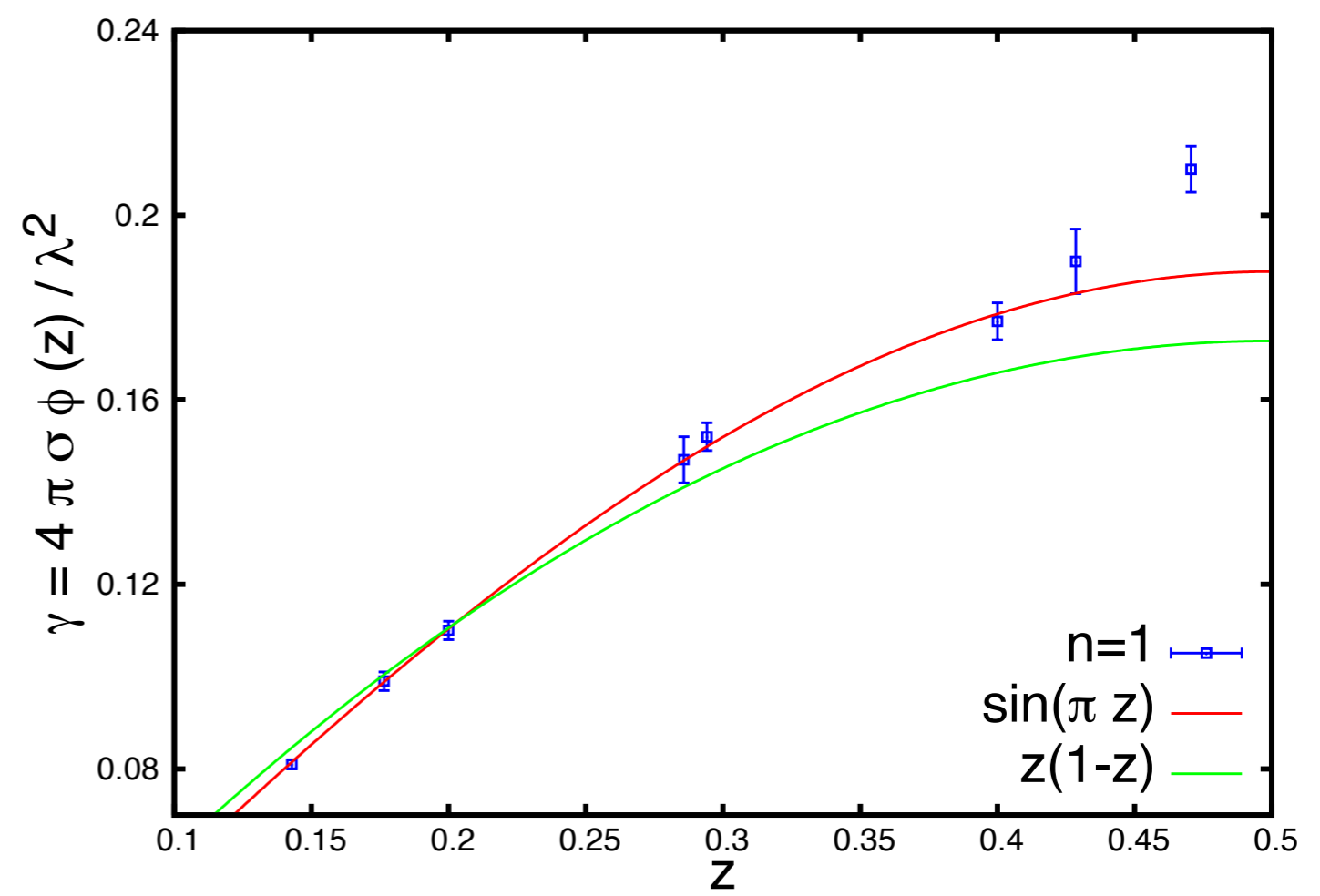
$$\mathcal{C} = -\frac{1}{6}$$

k-string tension

$$\sqrt{\sigma'} = 0.217(1)\lambda$$

$$\gamma(z) = 4\pi \frac{\sigma'}{\lambda^2} \phi(z)$$

$$\phi(z) = \sin(\pi z)/\pi$$



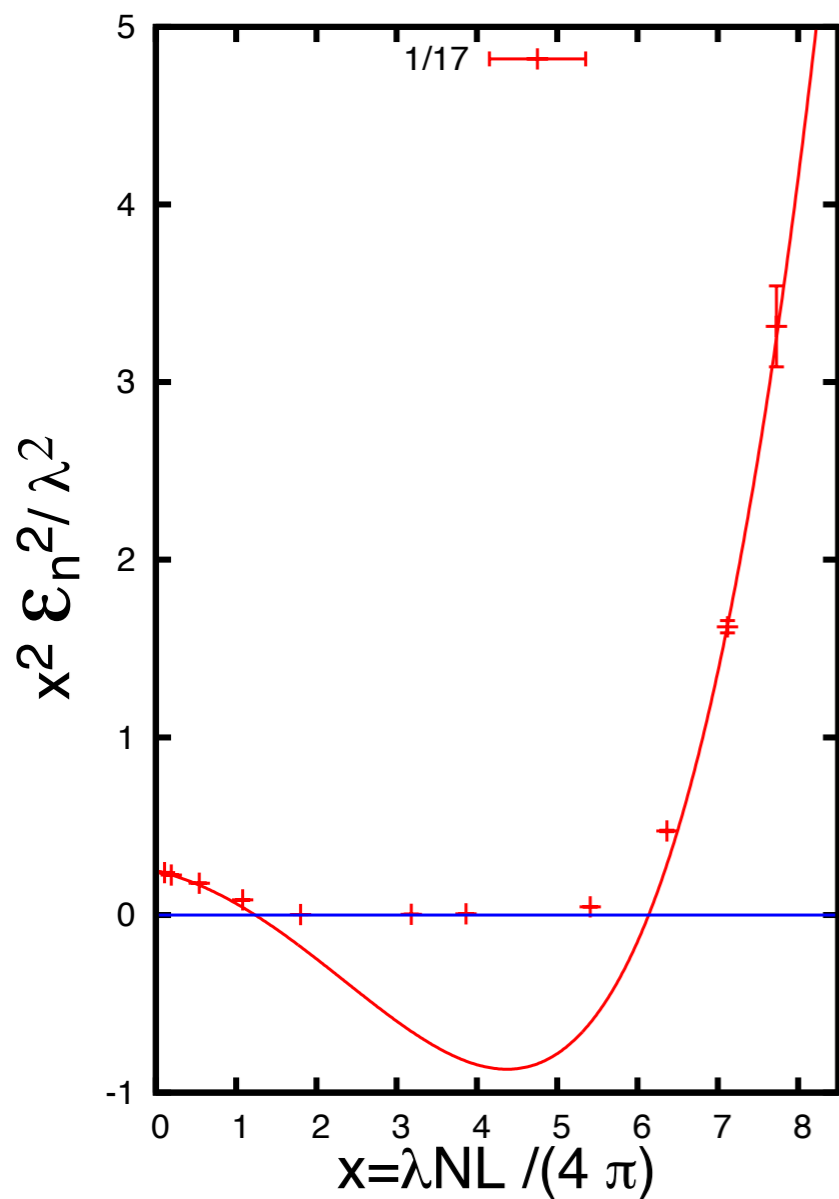


# Tachyonic instabilities

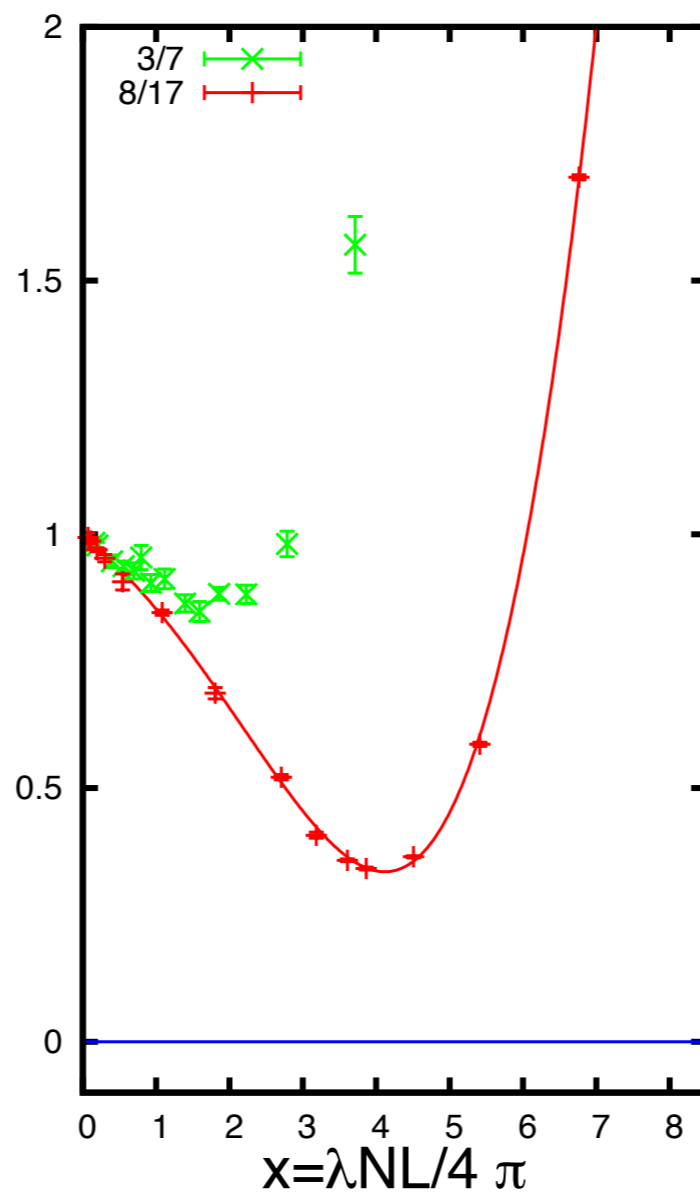
$$\frac{|\vec{n}|^2}{4} + \alpha x + \beta x^2 + \gamma^2 x^4 \geq 0$$

$$k = \bar{k} = 1$$

$$k = 2, \bar{k} = \frac{N-1}{2}$$



$$|\vec{n}| = |\vec{e}| = 1$$



$$|\vec{n}| = 2, \quad |\vec{e}| = 1$$

$$\frac{k}{N} > \frac{1}{12}$$

$$\frac{\bar{k}}{N} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{k}}{N}\right) > \frac{1}{12}$$

## Summary

- ◆ Perturbation theory indicates physical quantities depend on

$$\tilde{\theta}, \lambda, l_{\text{eff}}$$

- ◆  $l_{\text{eff}}$  combines N and l dependence
- ◆ Tachyonic instabilities can be avoided for appropriate choices of the twist
- ◆ In 2+l dimensions non-perturbative effects preserve volume reduction