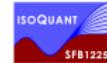


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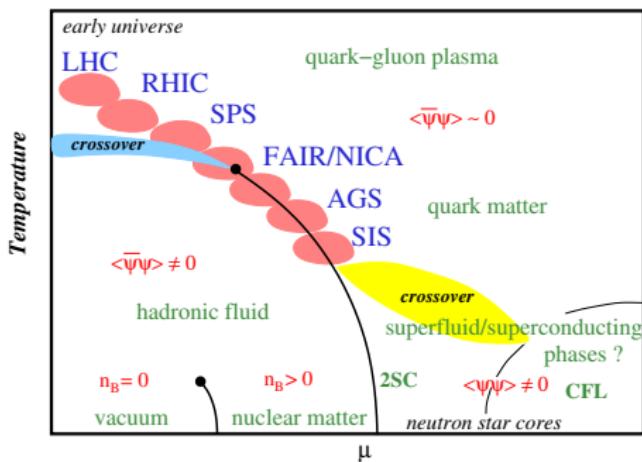
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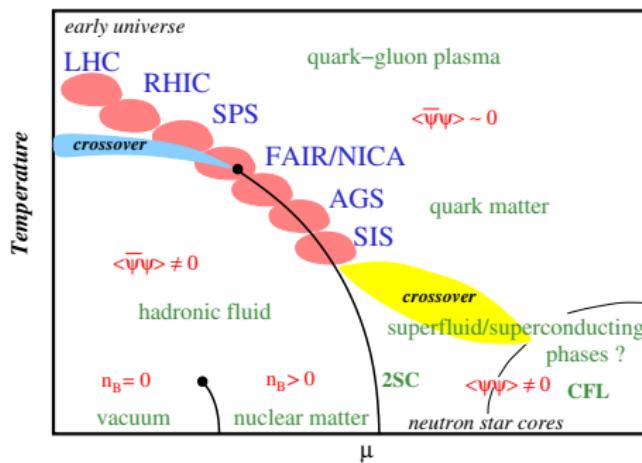
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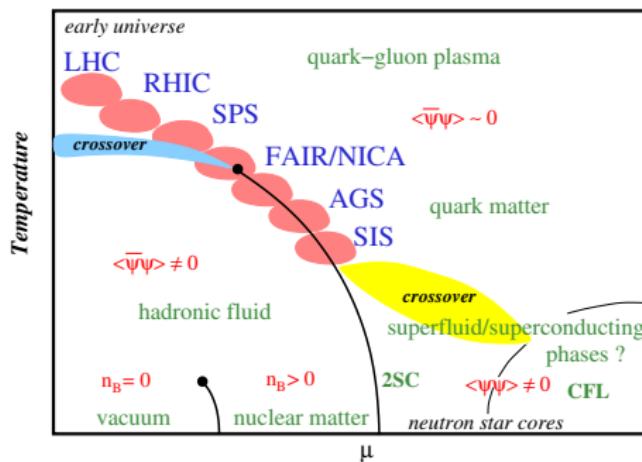


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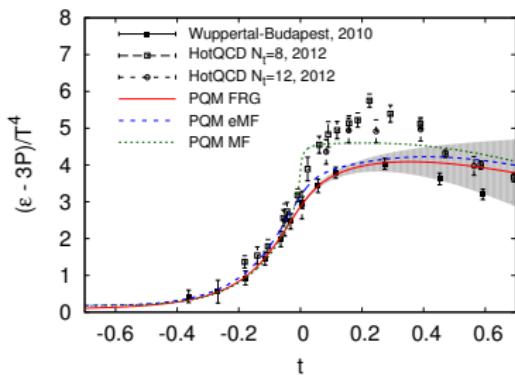
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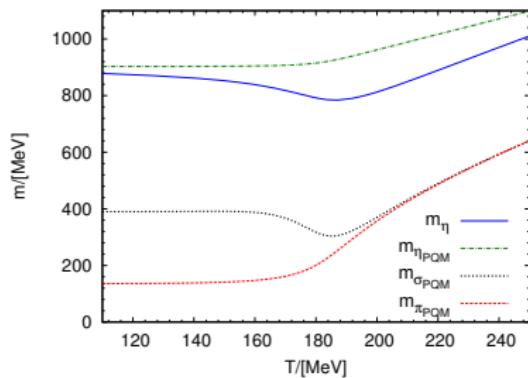
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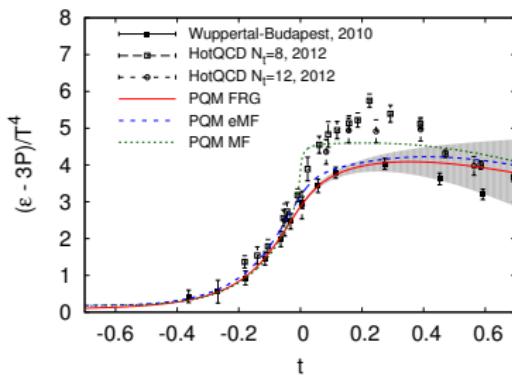
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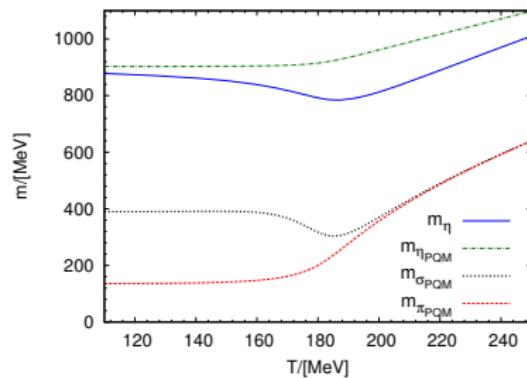
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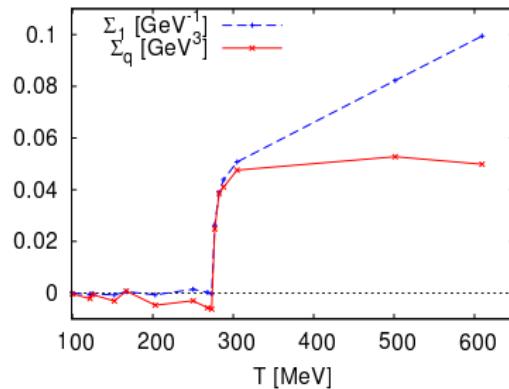
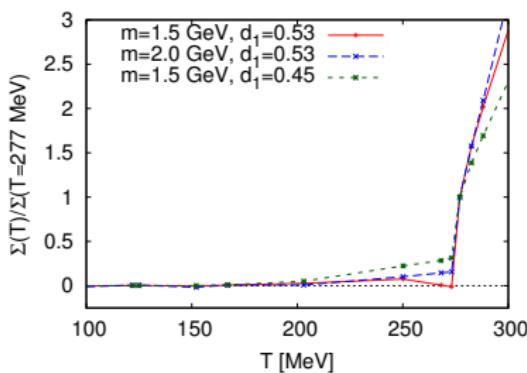
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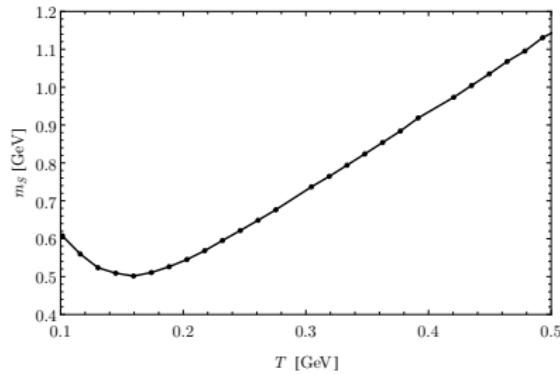
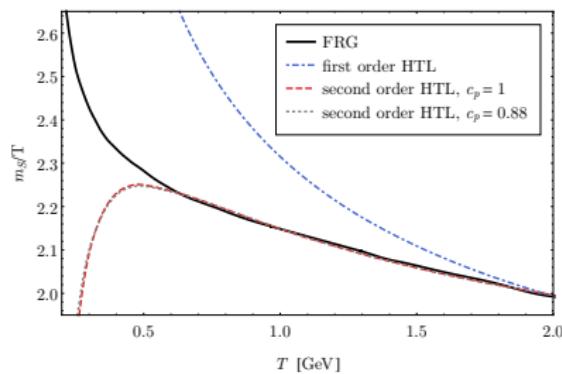
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e.g. Debye mass in $SU(3)$ YM theory

[Cyrol, MM, Pawłowski, Strodthoff, 2017]

- correlators from Functional Renormalisation Group (FRG)
- screening mass:
fit to exponential decay of chromo-electric gluon propagator



- excellent agreement with beyond leading order Debye mass of [Arnold, Yaffe, '95] for $T \gtrsim 0.6$ GeV
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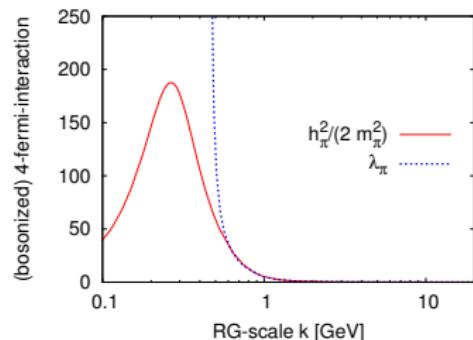
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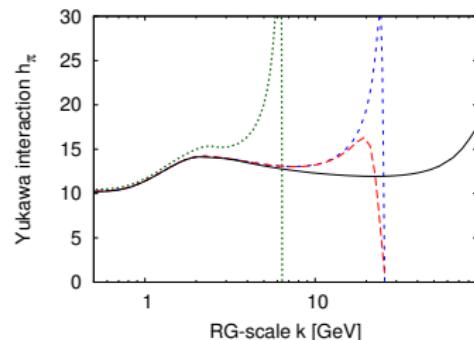
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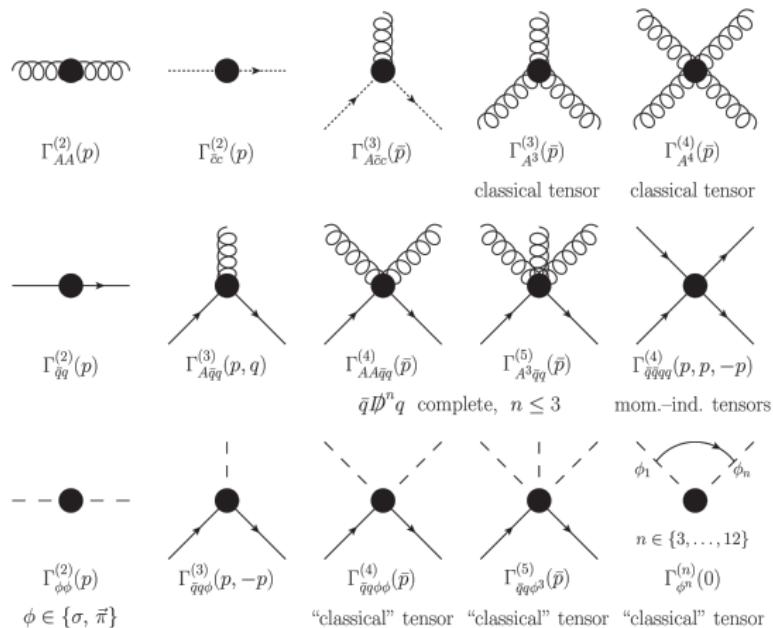
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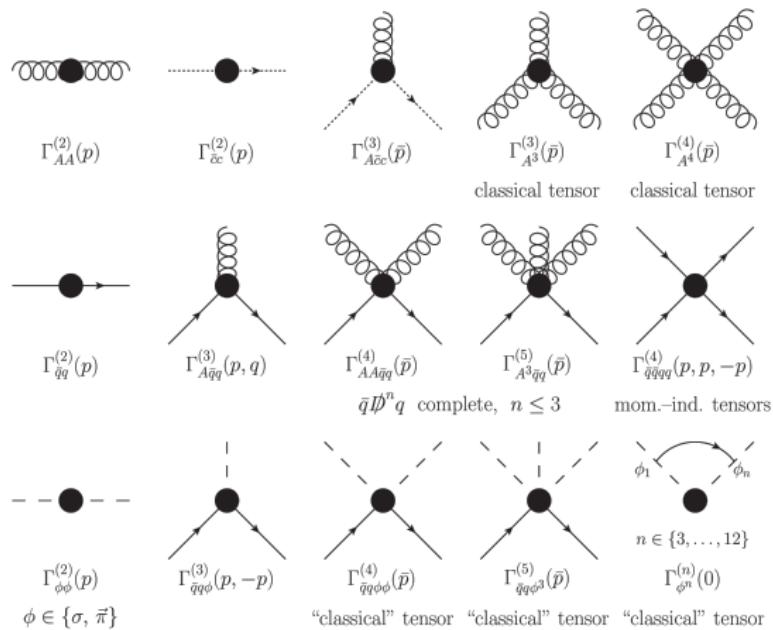
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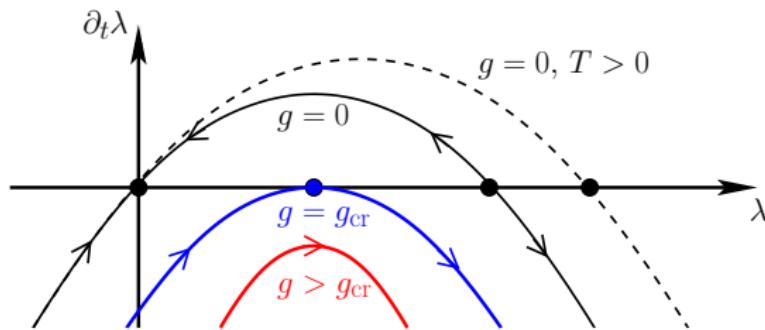
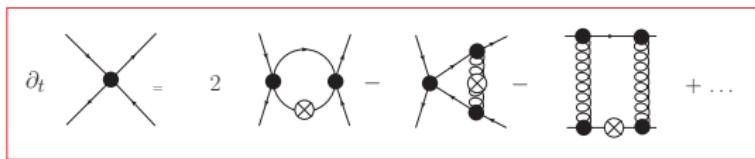
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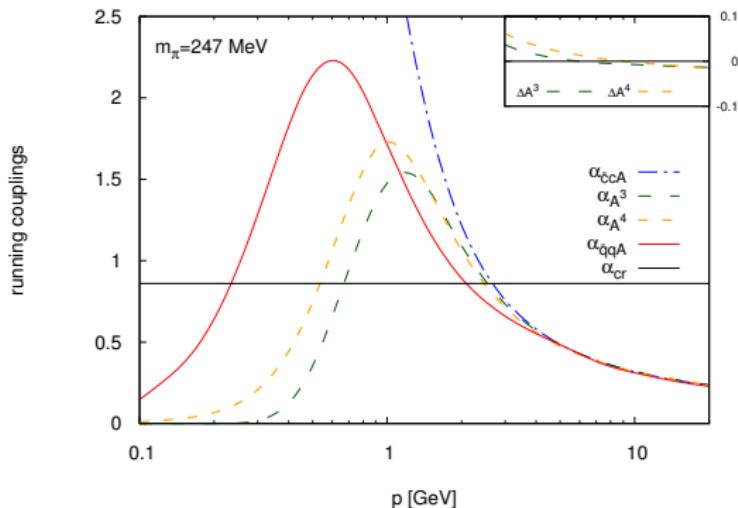
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[Braun, 2011]

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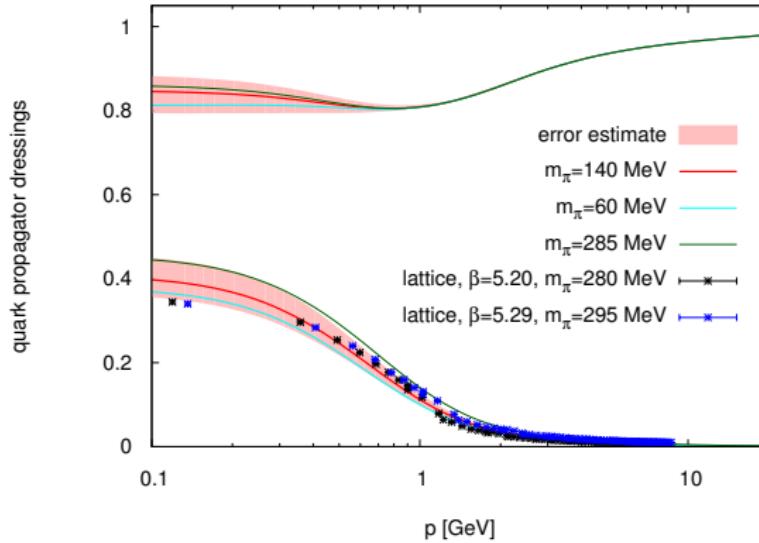


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- non-degenerate in nonperturbative regime: reflects gluon mass gap
- $\alpha_{\bar{q}qA} > \alpha_{cr}$: necessary for chiral symmetry breaking
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Quark propagator

[Cyrol, MM, Pawłowski, Strodthoff, 2017]

- $\Gamma_{\bar{q}q}(p) = Z_q(p) (\not{p} + M(p))$



- $S\chi\text{SB}$: $M_q(0) \gg M_q(p \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$
- FRG vs. lattice: bare mass, scale setting, lattice Z_q ?
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lattice data: O. Oliveira, A. Kzlersu, P. J. Silva, J.-I. Skullerud, A. Sternbeck, A. G. Williams, arXiv:1605.09632 [hep-lat].

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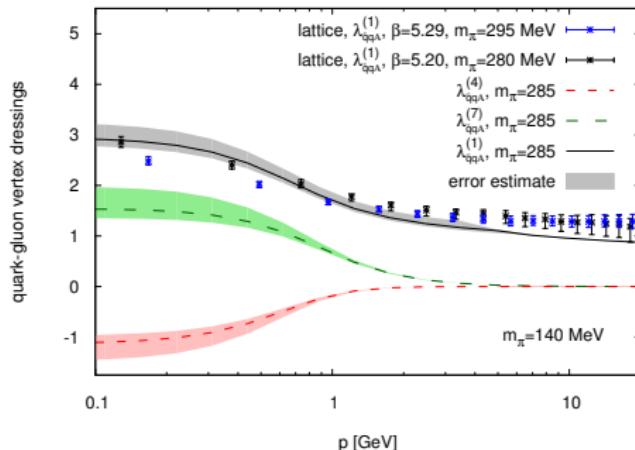
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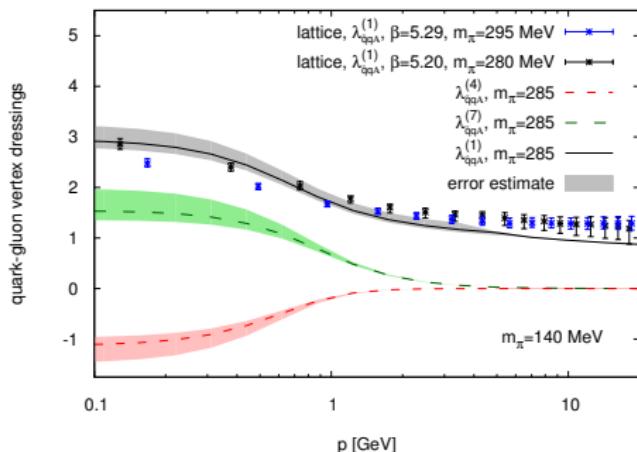


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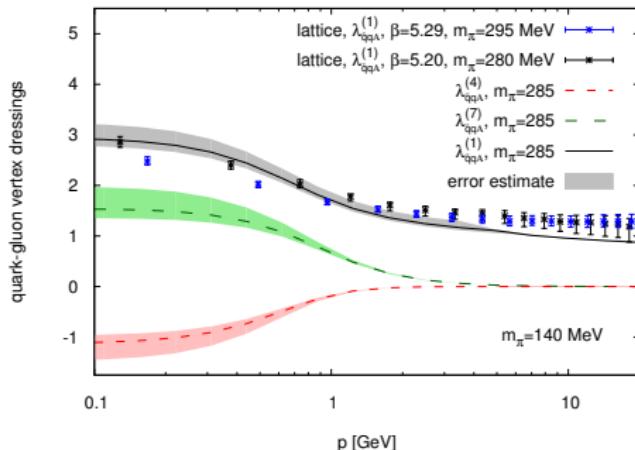
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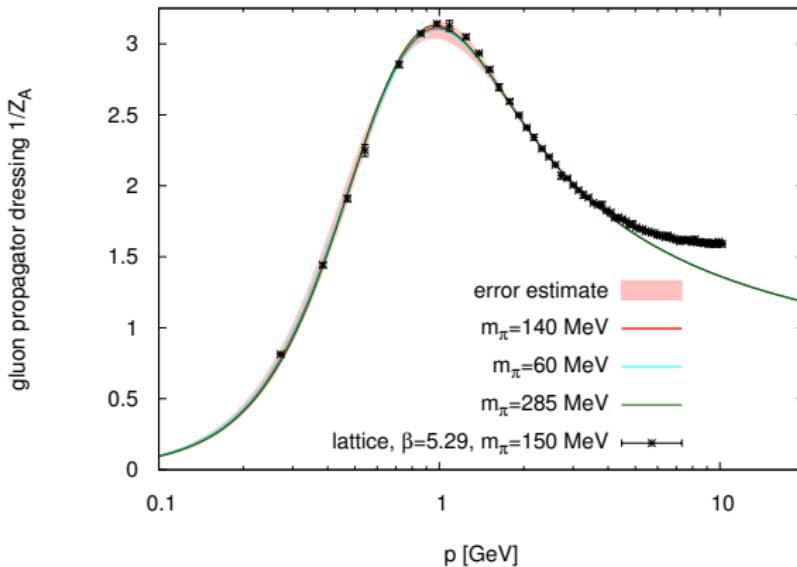
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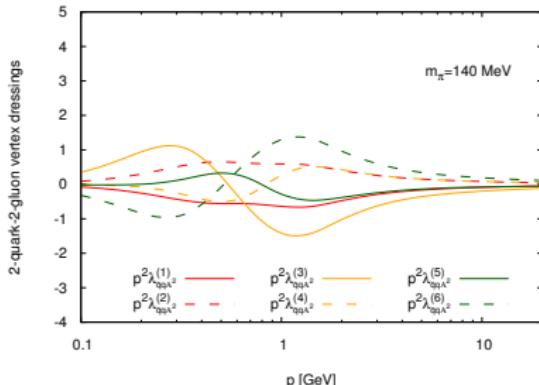
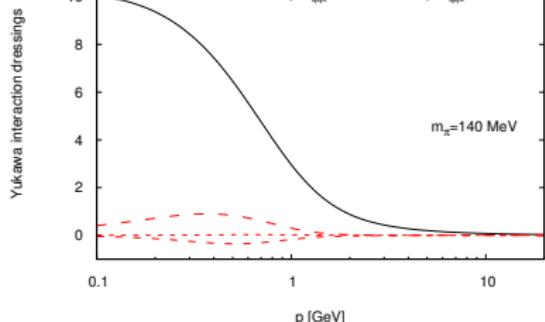
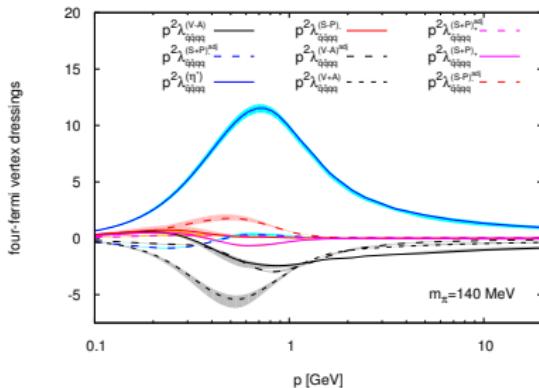
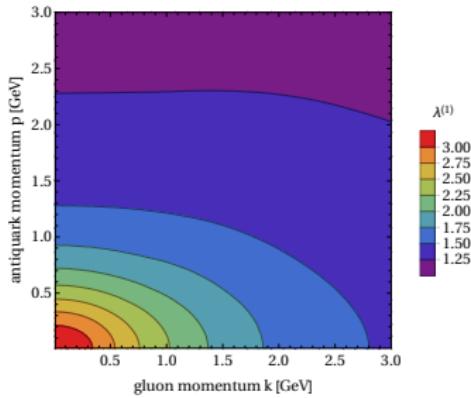


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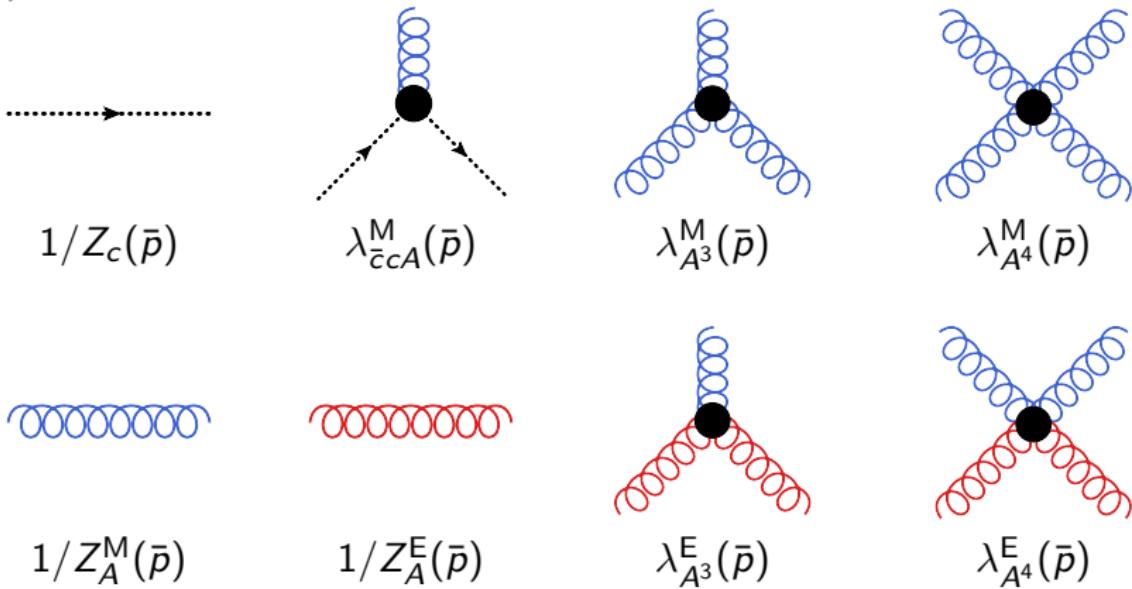


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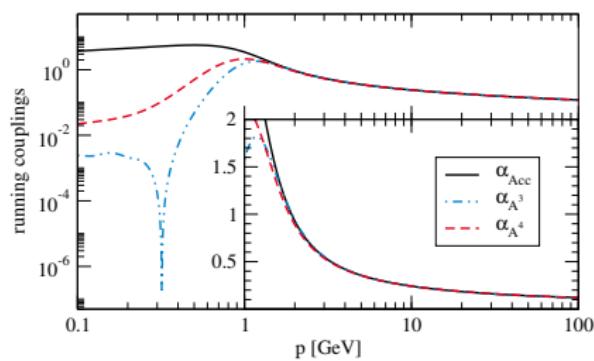
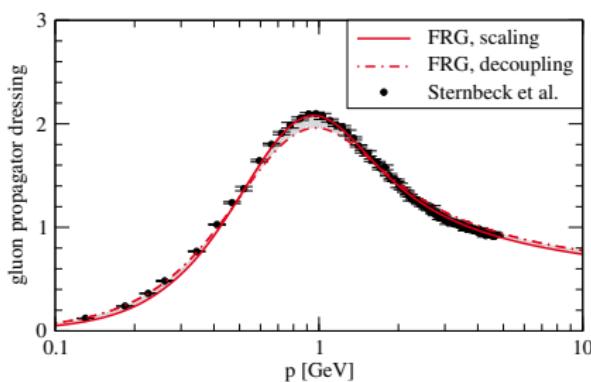
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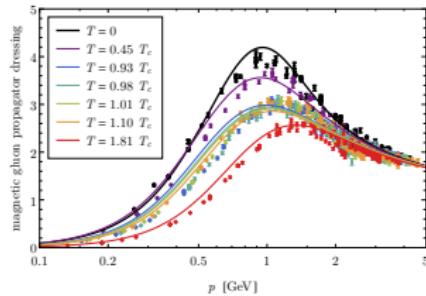


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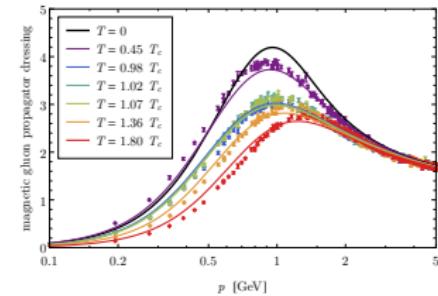
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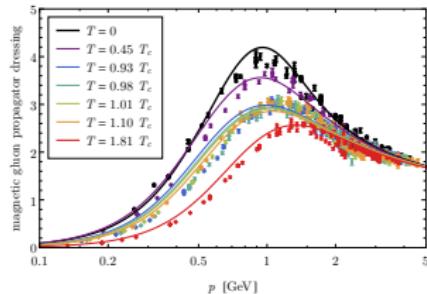


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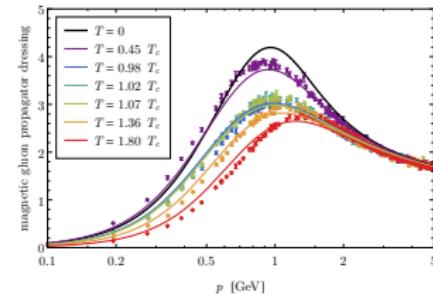
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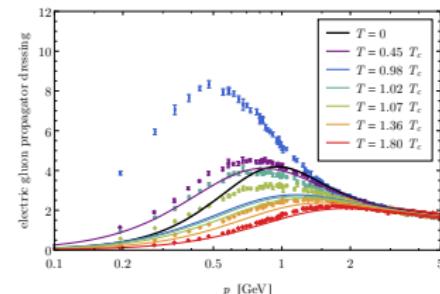
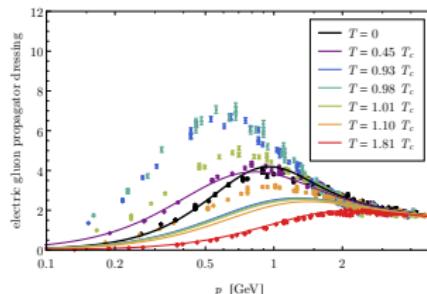
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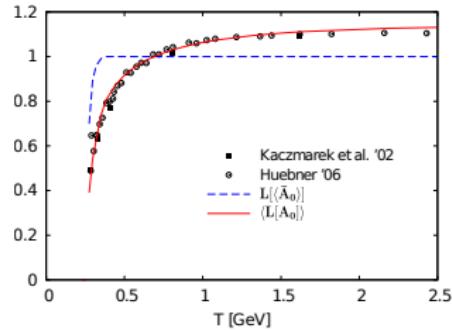
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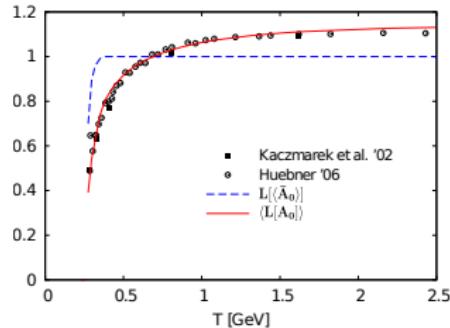
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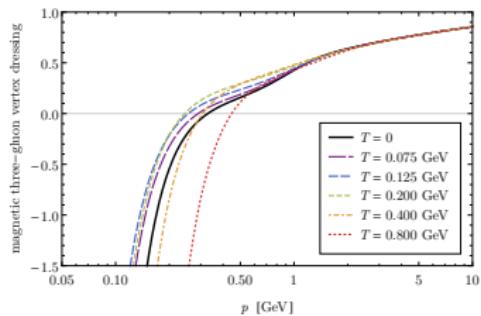
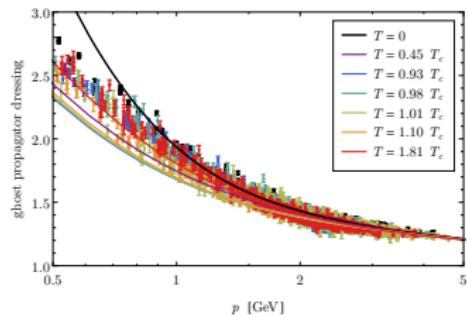
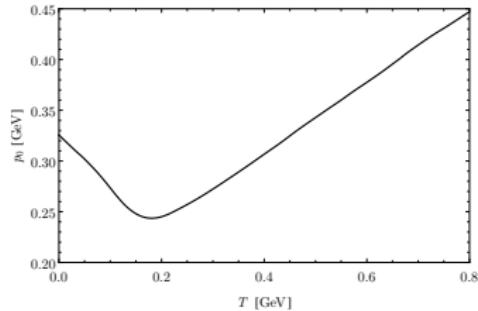
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