

# Heavy quark free energies and screening from lattice QCD

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# *Heavy quark bound states above deconfinement*

Strong interactions in the deconfined phase  $T \gtrsim T_c$

Possibility of heavy quark bound states?

Suppression patterns of charmonium/bottomonium

Charmonium ( $\chi_c, J/\psi$ ) as thermometer above  $T_c$

⇒ **Potential models**

→ heavy quark potential ( $T=0$ )

$$V_1(r) = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha(r)}{r} + \sigma r$$

→ heavy quark free energies ( $T > T_c$ )

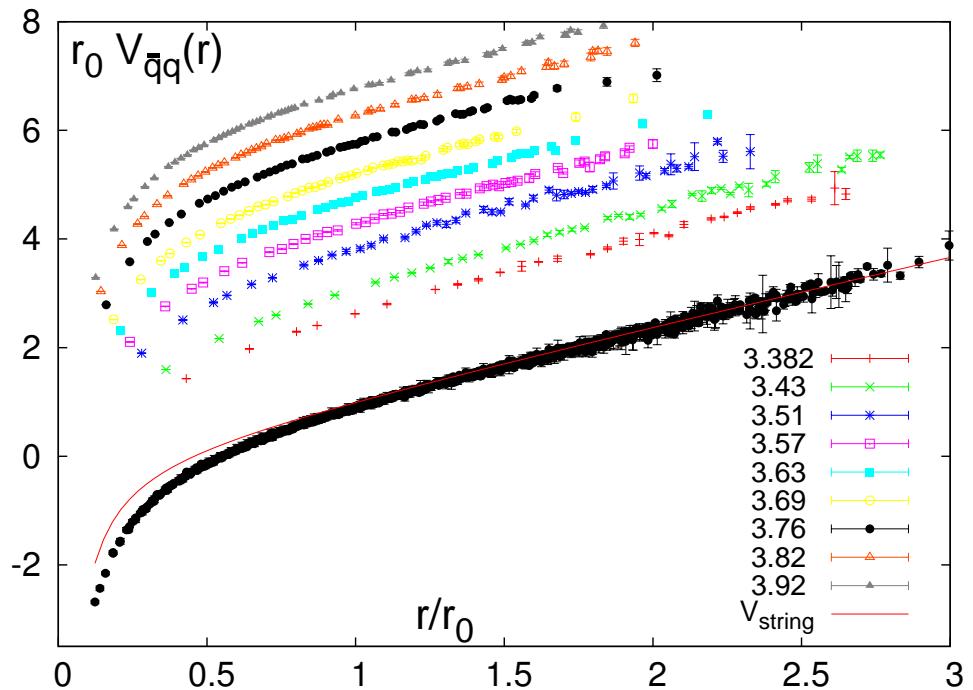
$$F_1(r, T) \simeq -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha(r, T)}{r} e^{-m(T)r}$$

→ heavy quark internal energies ( $T \neq 0$ )

$$F_1(r, T) = U_1(r, T) - T S_1(r, T)$$

⇒ **Charmonium correlation functions/spectral functions**

# Zero temperature potential - $n_f=2+1$



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highly improved p4-staggered  
almost realistic quark masses  
 $m_\pi \simeq 220$  MeV, physical  $m_s$

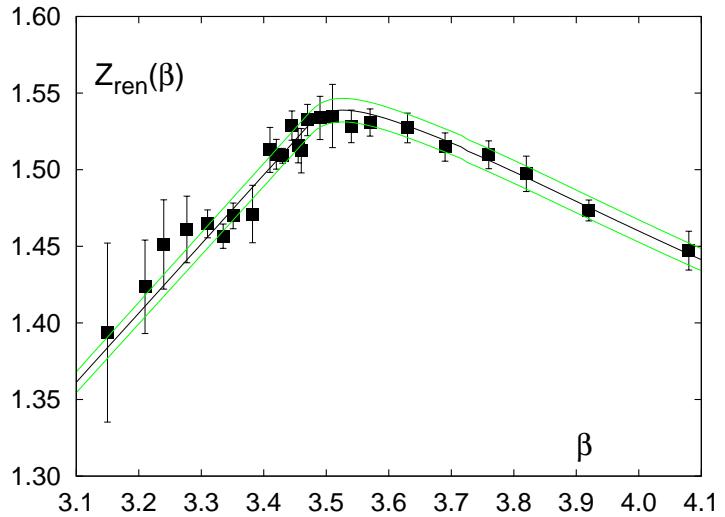
## Large distance behaviour

consistent with string model prediction:

$$V(r) = -\frac{\pi}{12r} + \sigma r, \text{ for large } r$$

→ used for renormalization

renormalization:  $V_{T=0}(r) = -\log \left( (Z_{\text{ren}}(\beta))^2 \frac{W(r,\tau)}{W(r,\tau+1)} \right)$

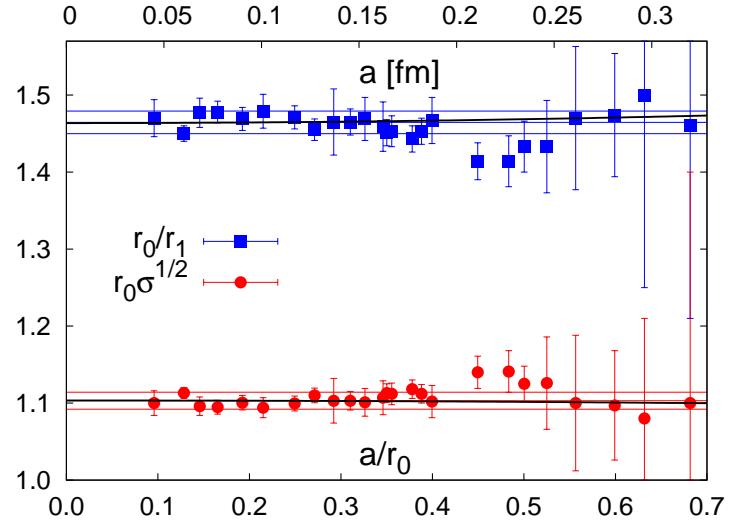


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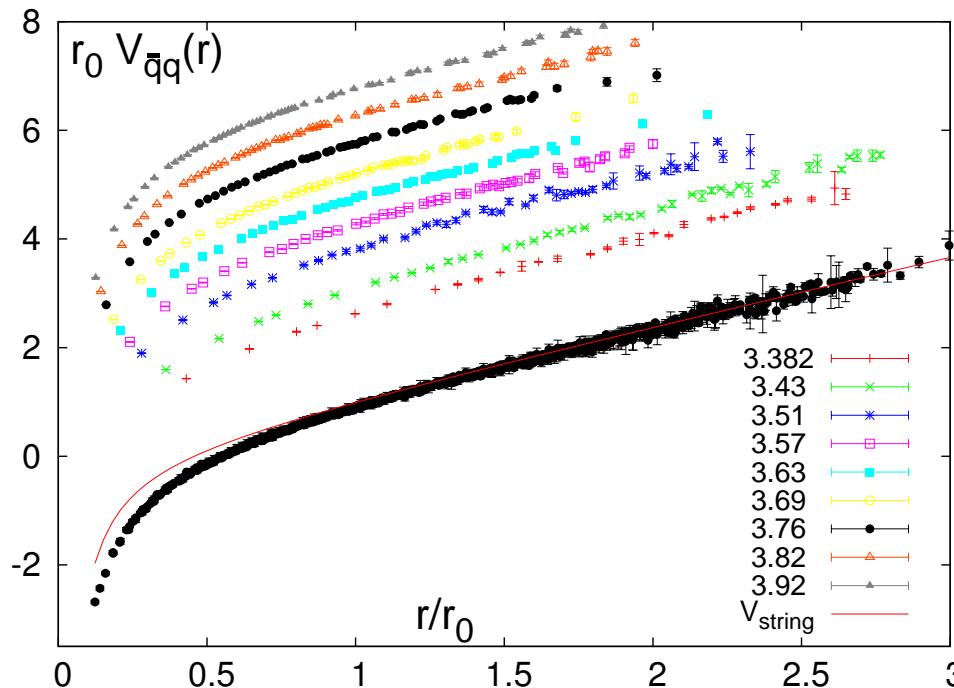
$$r^2 \frac{dV_{\bar{q}q}(r)}{dr} \Big|_{r=r_1} = 1.0$$

$$(r_0 = 0.469(7) \text{ fm})$$

cut-off effects are small



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## Short distance behaviour

deviations at small  $r$

enhancement of the running coupling

$$\text{fit: } V(r) = -0.392(6)/r + \sigma r$$

$r$ -dependent running coupling  $\alpha(r)$

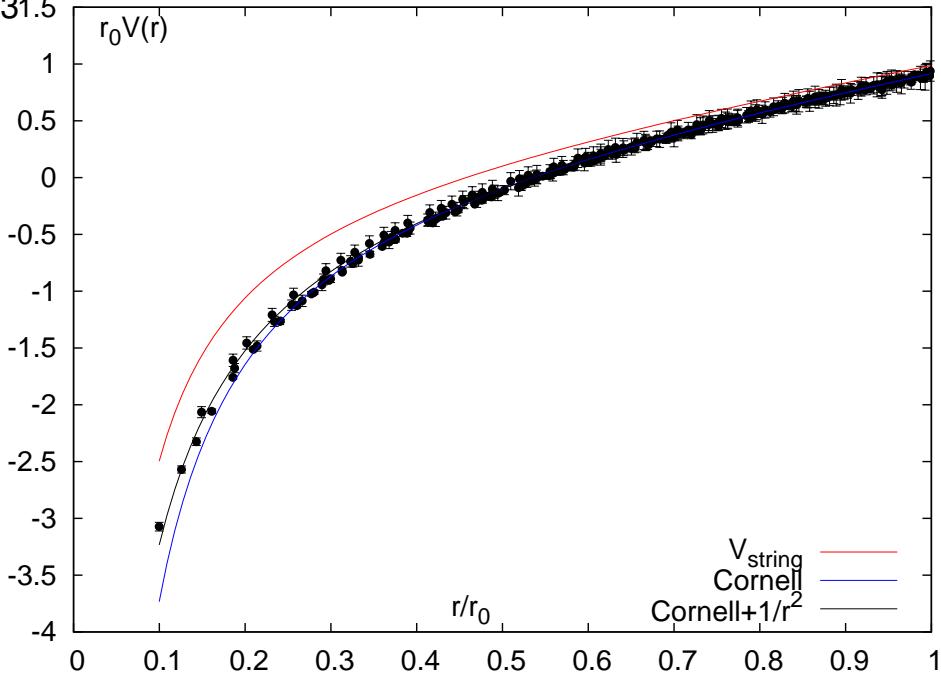
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# The lattice set-up

## Polyakov loop correlation function and free energy:

*L. McLerran, B. Svetitsky (1981)*

$$\frac{Z_{Q\bar{Q}}}{Z(T)} \simeq \frac{1}{Z(T)} \int \mathcal{D}A \dots L(x) L^\dagger(y) \exp \left( - \int_0^{1/T} dt \int d^3x \mathcal{L}[A, \dots] \right)$$

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$\mathbf{Q}\bar{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{8}, \text{av}$

## Lattice data used in our analysis:

**N<sub>f</sub> = 0:**

$32^3 \times 4, 8, 16$ -lattices  
( *Symanzik* )

*O. Kaczmarek,  
F. Karsch,  
P. Petreczky,  
F. Zantow (2002, 2004)*

**N<sub>f</sub> = 2:**

$16^3 \times 4$ -lattices  
( *Symanzik, p4-stagg.* )  
*hybrid-R*

$m_\pi/m_p \simeq 0.7$  ( $m/T = 0.4$ )  
*O. Kaczmarek, F. Zantow (2005), O. Kaczmarek et al. (2003)*

**N<sub>f</sub> = 3:**

$16^3 \times 4$ -lattices  
( *stagg., Asqtad* )  
*hybrid-R*

$m_\pi/m_p \simeq 0.4$   
*P. Petreczky, K. Petrov (2004)*

**N<sub>f</sub> = 2 + 1:**

$24^4 \times 6$ -lattices  
( *Symanzik, p4fat3* )  
*RHMC*

$m_\pi \simeq 220 \text{ MeV, phys. } m_s$   
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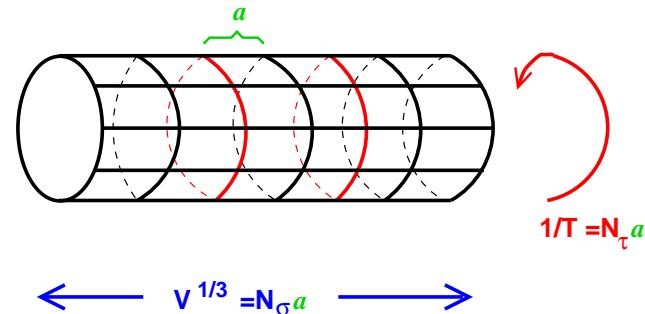
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$$\log() \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram: two wavy lines with a dot and a circle at their intersection} \\ - \\ \text{Diagram: two wavy lines without a dot or circle} \end{array} = - \frac{F_{Q\bar{Q}}(r, T)}{T}$$

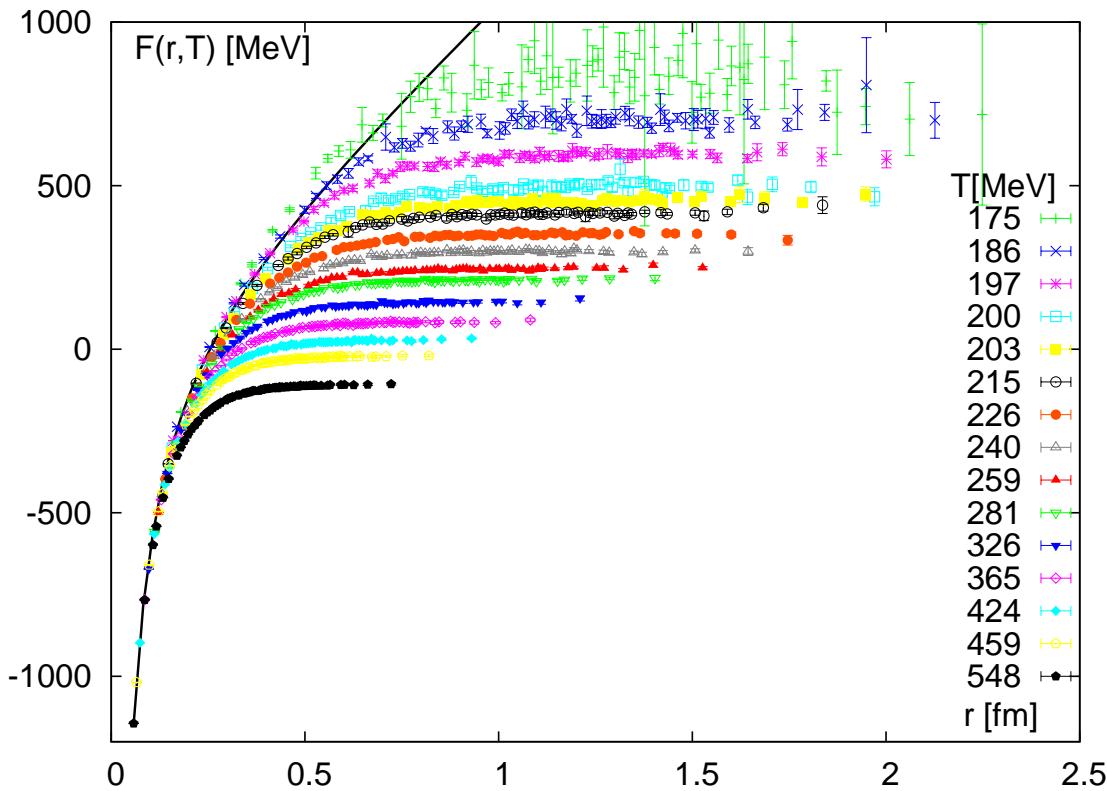
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*O. Philipsen (2002)  
O. Jahn, O. Philipsen (2004)*



$$\begin{aligned} -\ln \left( \langle \tilde{\text{Tr}} L(\mathbf{x}) \tilde{\text{Tr}} L^\dagger(\mathbf{y}) \rangle \right) &= \frac{F_{\bar{q}q}(r, T)}{T} \\ -\ln \left( \langle \tilde{\text{Tr}} L(\mathbf{x}) L^\dagger(\mathbf{y}) \rangle \right) \Big|_{GF} &= \frac{F_1(r, T)}{T} \\ -\ln \left( \frac{9}{8} \langle \tilde{\text{Tr}} L(\mathbf{x}) \tilde{\text{Tr}} L^\dagger(\mathbf{y}) \rangle - \frac{1}{8} \langle \tilde{\text{Tr}} L(\mathbf{x}) L^\dagger(\mathbf{y}) \rangle \Big|_{GF} \right) &= \frac{F_8(r, T)}{T} \end{aligned}$$

# Heavy quark free energy - 2+1-flavors



Renormalization of  $F(r, T)$

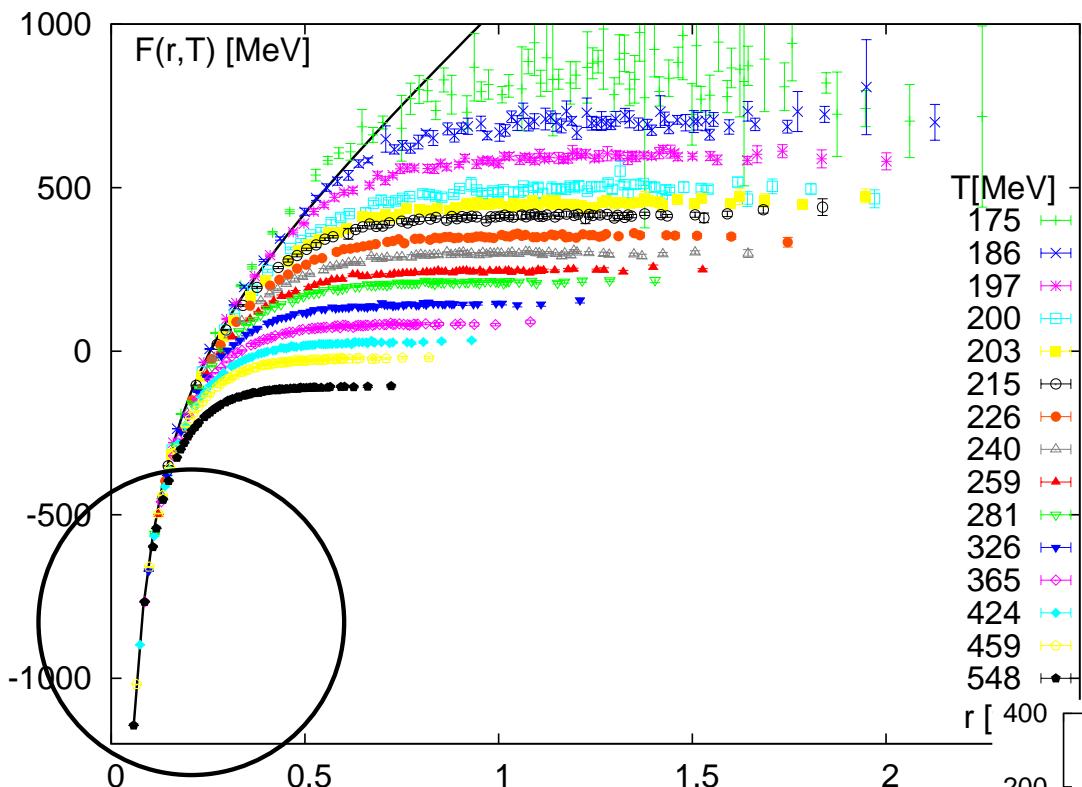
using  $Z_{ren}(g^2)$  obtained at  $T=0$

$$e^{-F_1(r,T)/T} = (Z_r(g^2))^{2N_\tau} \langle \text{Tr } (L_x L_y^\dagger) \rangle$$

alternative renormalization procedures  
all equivalent!

(O. Kaczmarek et al., PLB543(2002)41,  
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**$T$ -independent**  
 $r \ll 1/\sqrt{\sigma}$   
 $F(r, T) \sim g^2(r)/r$

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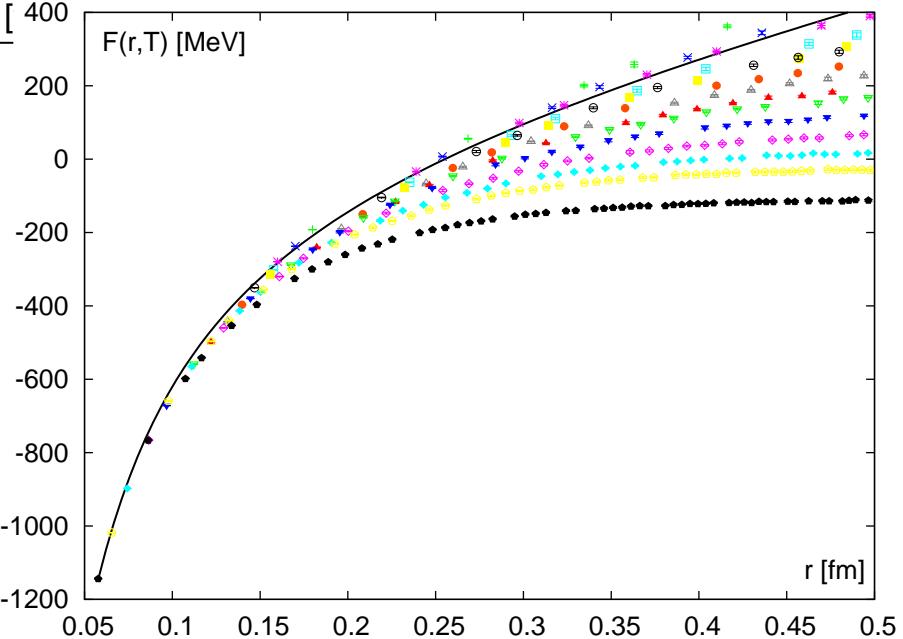
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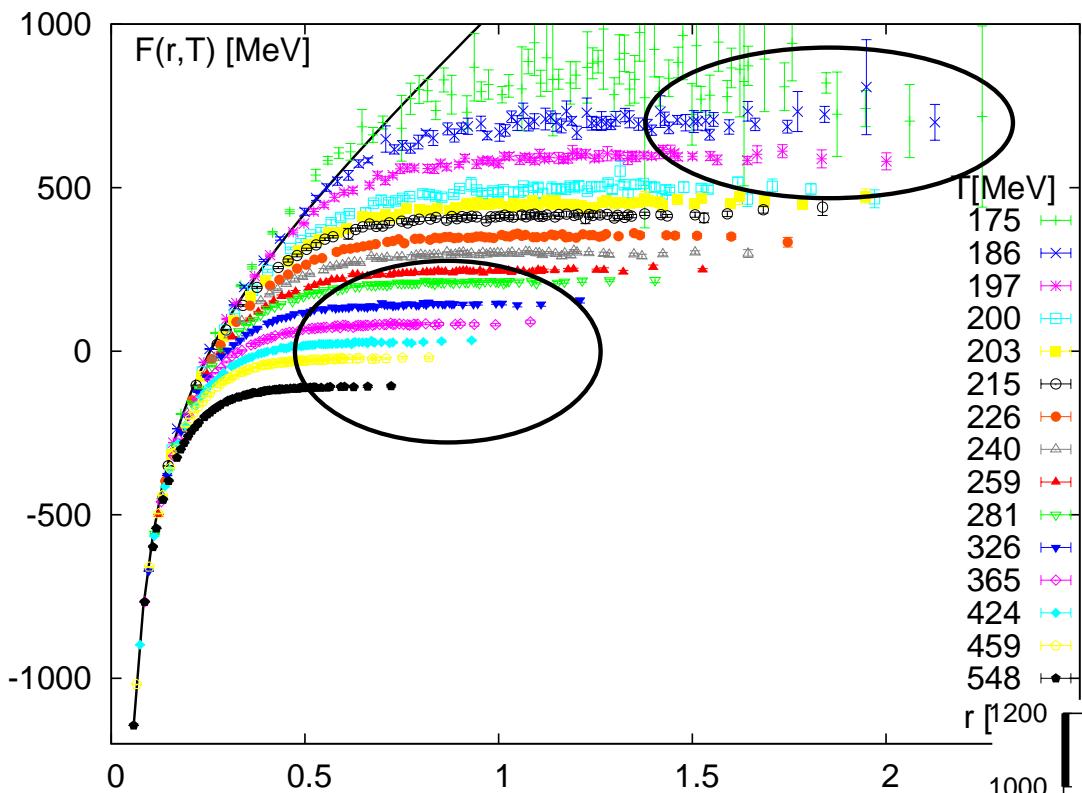
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String breaking

$$T < T_c$$

$$F(r\sqrt{\sigma} \gg 1, T) < \infty$$

high-T physics

$$rT \gg 1 ; \text{screening}$$

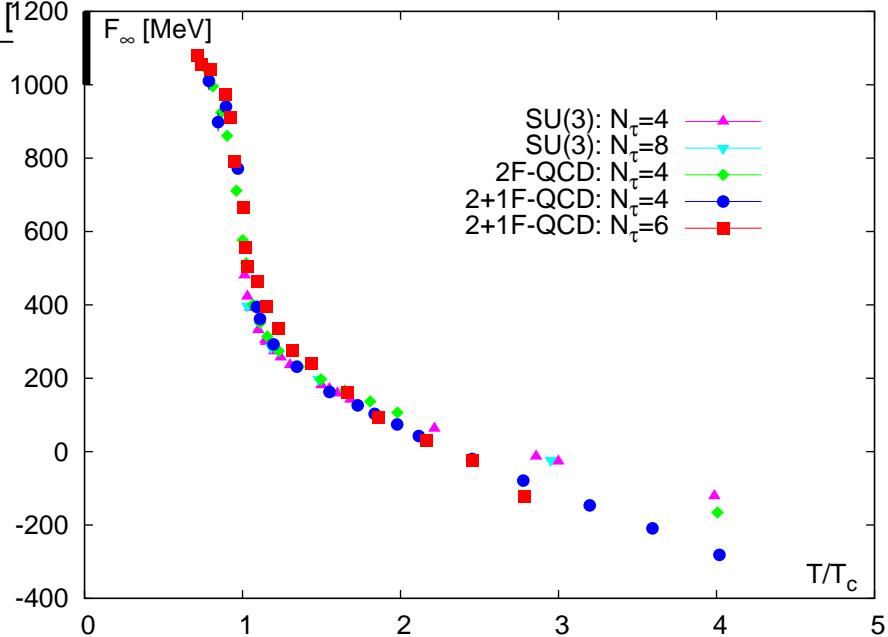
$$\mu(T) \sim g(T)T$$

$$F(\infty, T) \sim -T$$

$T$ -independent

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# Renormalized Polyakov loop

Using short distance behaviour of free energies

Renormalization of  $F(r, T)$  at short distances

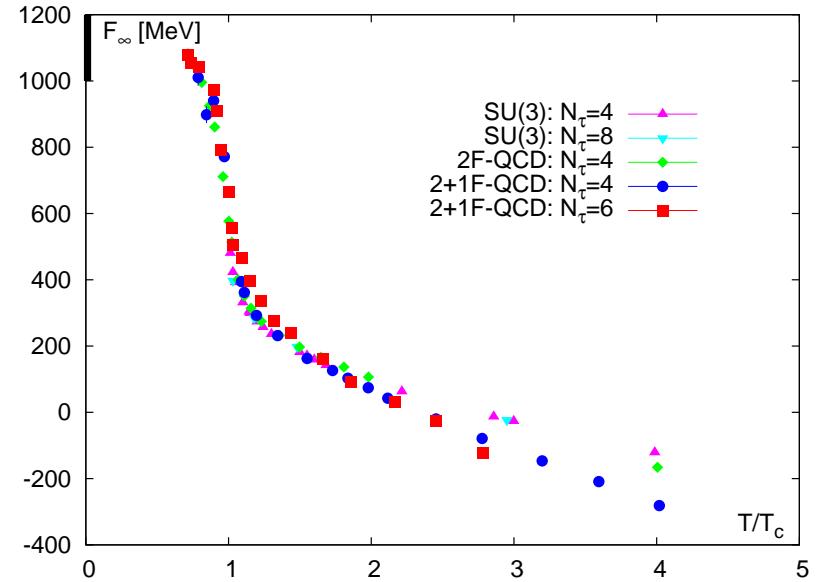
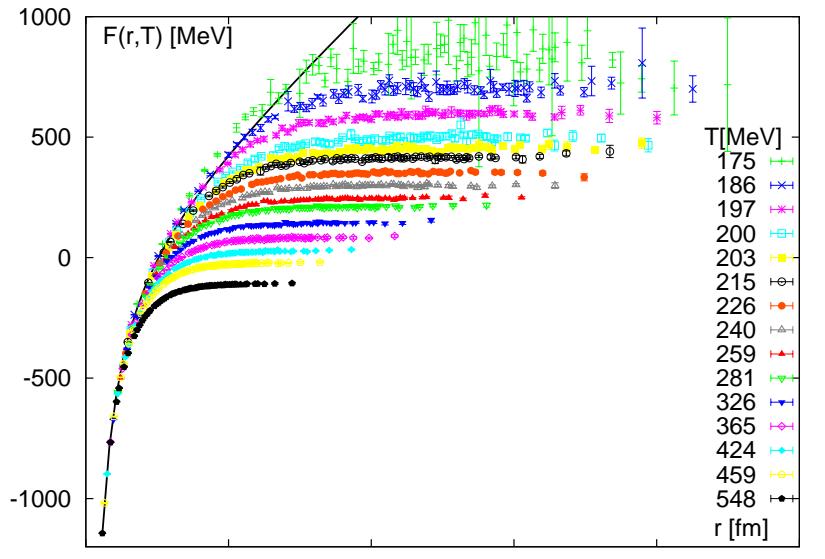
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Renormalization of the Polyakov loop

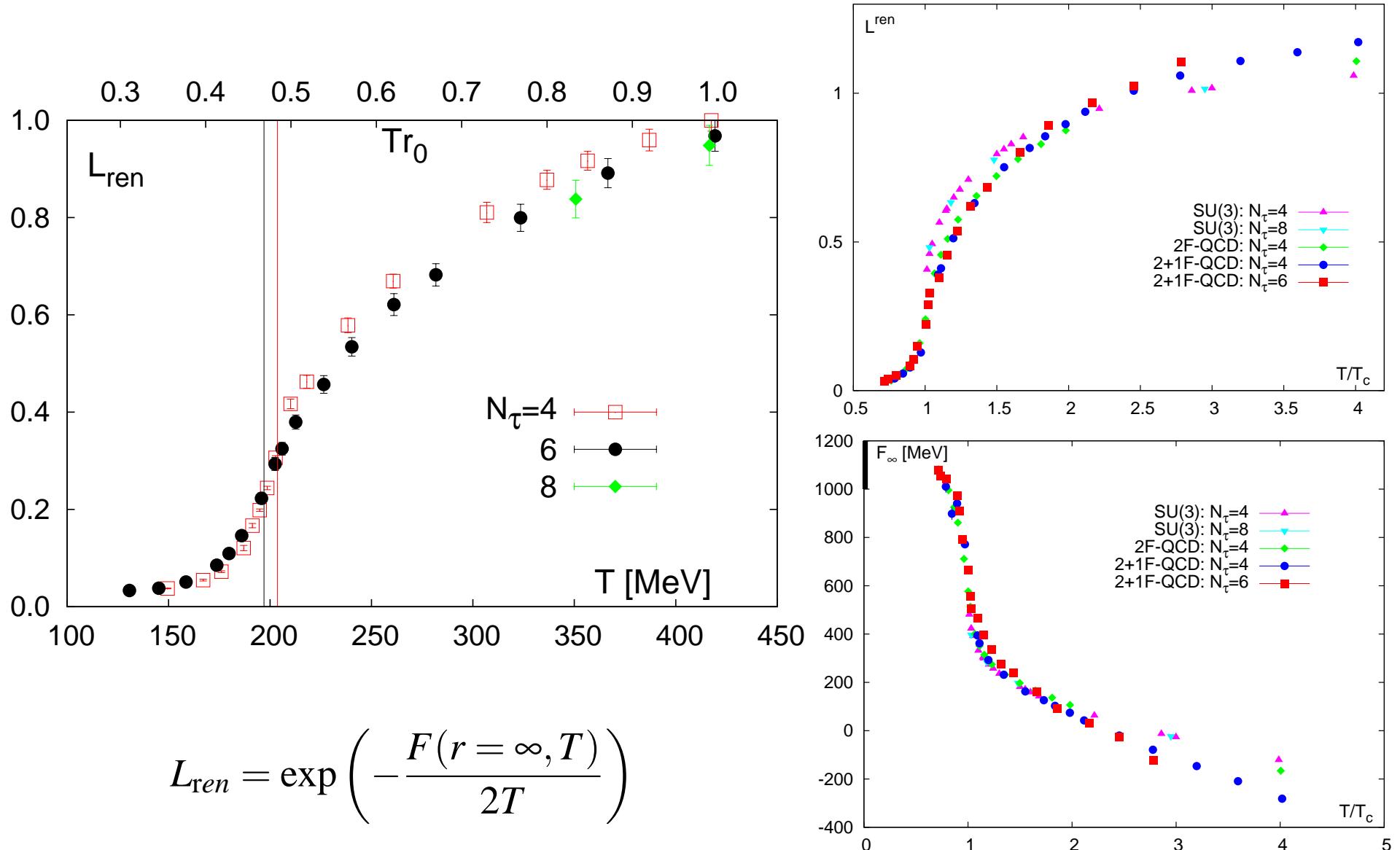
$$L_{\text{ren}} = (Z_R(g^2))^{N_t} L_{\text{lattice}}$$

$L_{\text{ren}}$  defined by long distance behaviour of  $F(r, T)$

$$L_{\text{ren}} = \exp \left( -\frac{F(r = \infty, T)}{2T} \right)$$

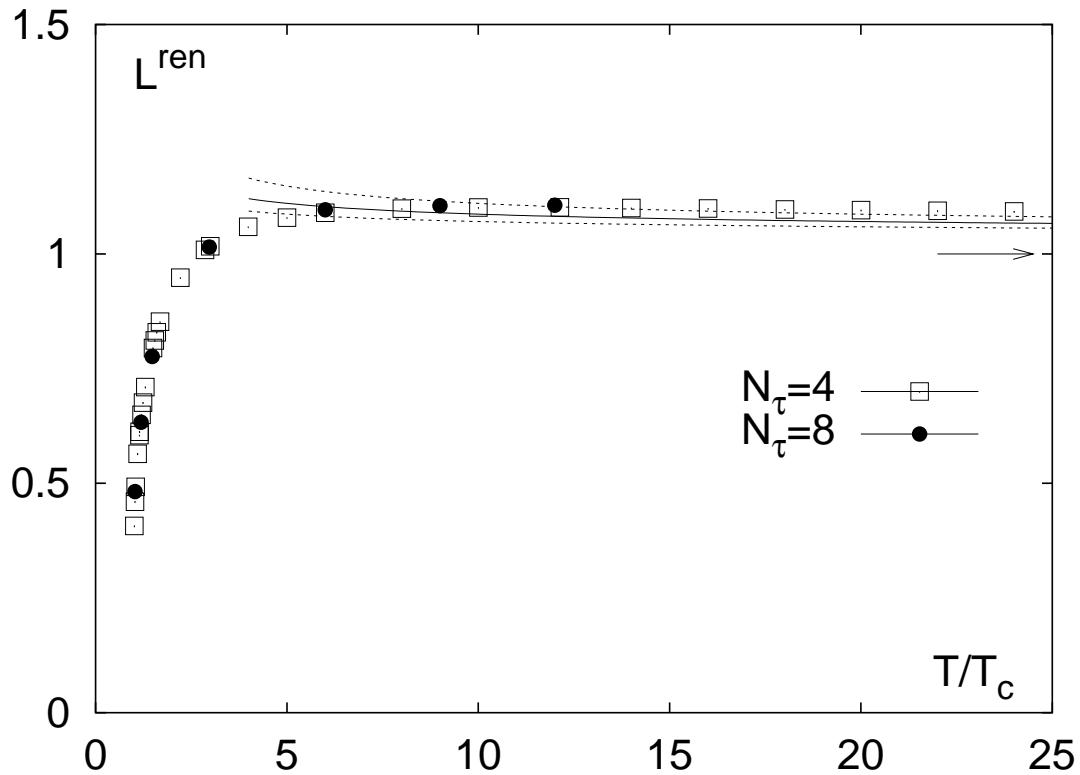


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## SU(3) pure gauge results



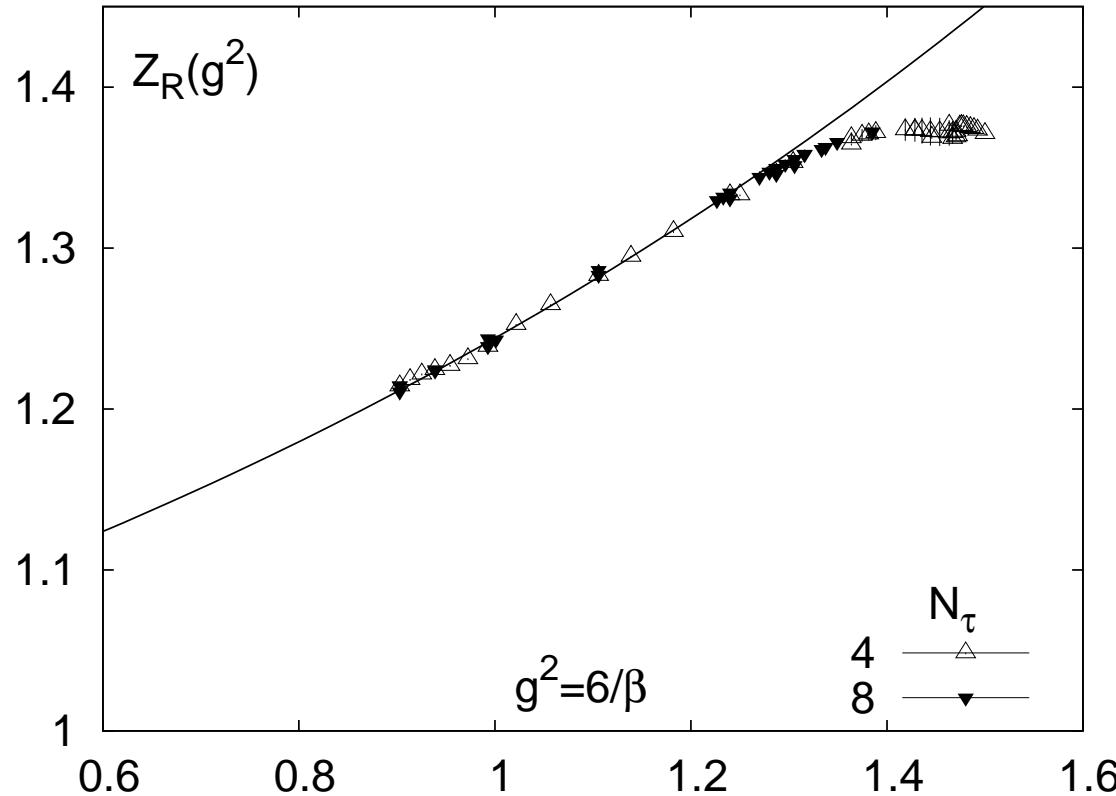
High temperature limit,  $L^{ren} = 1$ ,  
reached from above as expected from PT

Clearly non-perturbative effects below  $5T_c$

$$L_{ren} = \exp \left( -\frac{F(r=\infty, T)}{2T} \right)$$

## *Renormalization constants*

Renormalization constants obtained from heavy quark free energies

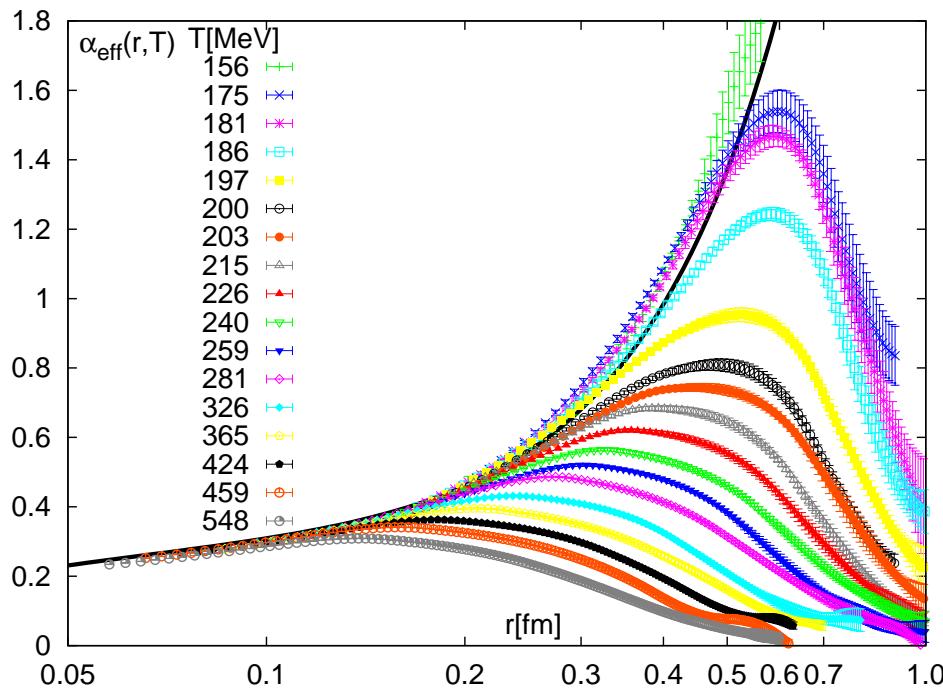


The renormalization constants depend on the bare coupling, i.e.  $Z_R(g^2)$

$$Z_R(g^2) \simeq \exp \left( g^2(N^2 - 1)/NQ^{(2)} + g^4 Q^{(4)} + o(g^6) \right)$$

with  $Q^{(2)} = 0.0597(13)$  consistent with lattice perturbation theory (Heller + Karsch, 1985)

# Temperature depending running coupling



non-perturbative confining part for  $r \gtrsim 0.4$  fm

$$\alpha_{qq}(r) \simeq 3/4r^2\sigma$$

present below and just above  $T_c$

remnants of confinement at  $T \gtrsim T_c$

temperature effects set in at smaller  $r$  with increasing  $T$

maximum due to screening

Free energy in perturbation theory:

$$F_1(r, T) \equiv V(r) \simeq -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha(r)}{r} \quad \text{for} \quad r\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll 1$$

$$F_1(r, T) \simeq -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha(T)}{r} e^{-m_D(T)r} \quad \text{for} \quad rT \gg 1$$

QCD running coupling in the  $qq$ -scheme

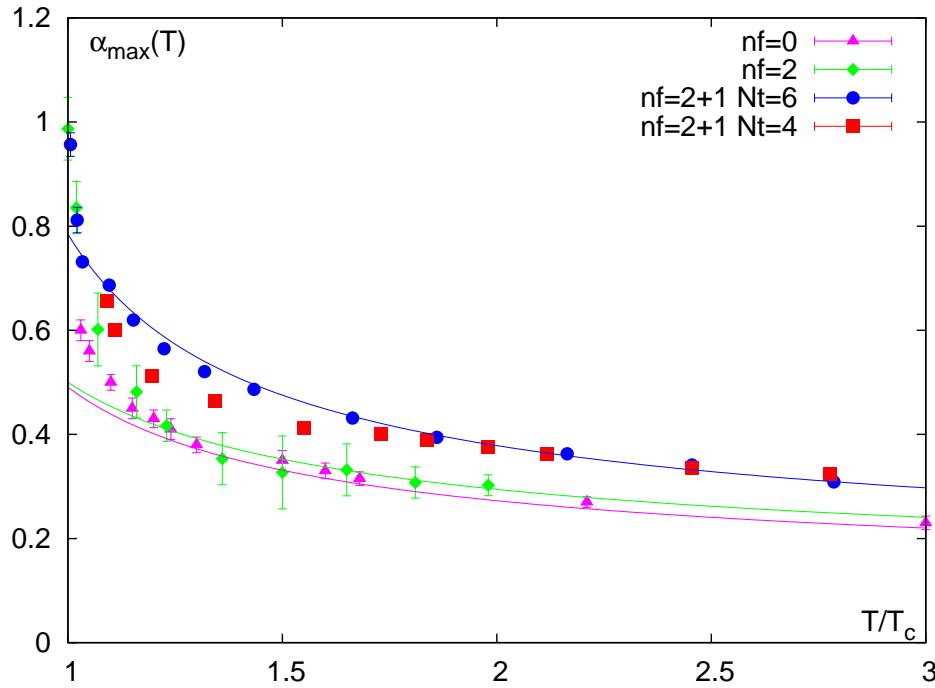
$$\alpha_{qq}(r, T) = \frac{3}{4} r^2 \frac{dF_1(r, T)}{dr}$$

⇒ At which distance do  $T$ -effects set in ?

⇒ definition of the screening radius/mass

⇒ definition of the  $T$ -dependent coupling

# Temperature depending running coupling



define  $\tilde{\alpha}_{qq}(T)$  by maximum of  $\alpha_{qq}(r, T)$ :

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{qq}(T) \equiv \alpha_{qq}(r_{\max}, T)$$

perturbative behaviour at high  $T$ :

$$g_{2\text{-loop}}^{-2}(T) = 2\beta_0 \ln\left(\frac{\mu T}{\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}}\right) + \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0} \ln\left(2\ln\left(\frac{\mu T}{\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}}\right)\right),$$

non-perturbative large values near  $T_c$

not a large Coulombic coupling

remnants of confinement at  $T \gtrsim T_c$

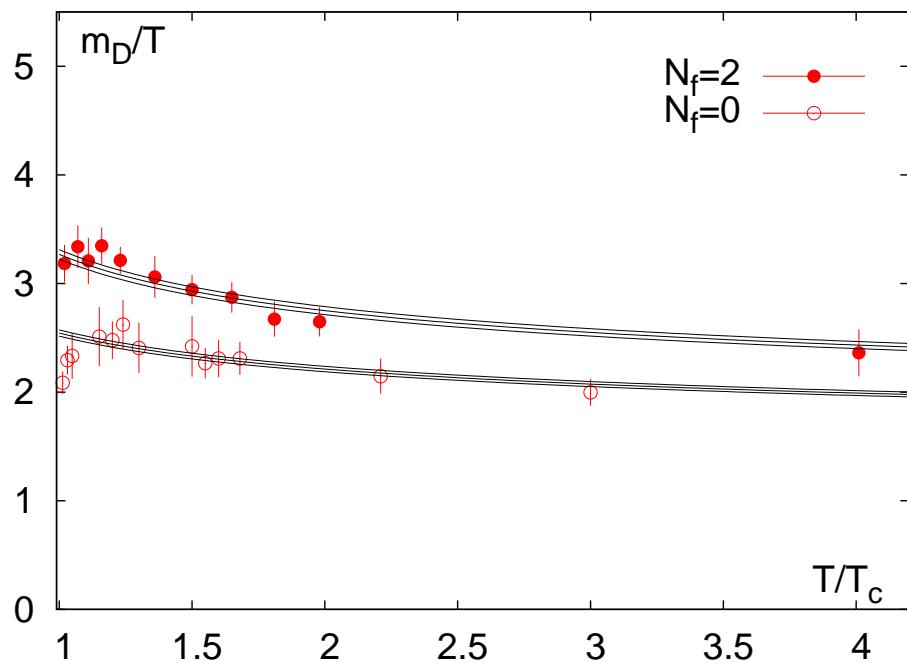
string breaking and screening difficult to separate

slope at high  $T$  well described by perturbation theory

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⇒ calculation of the screening mass/radius

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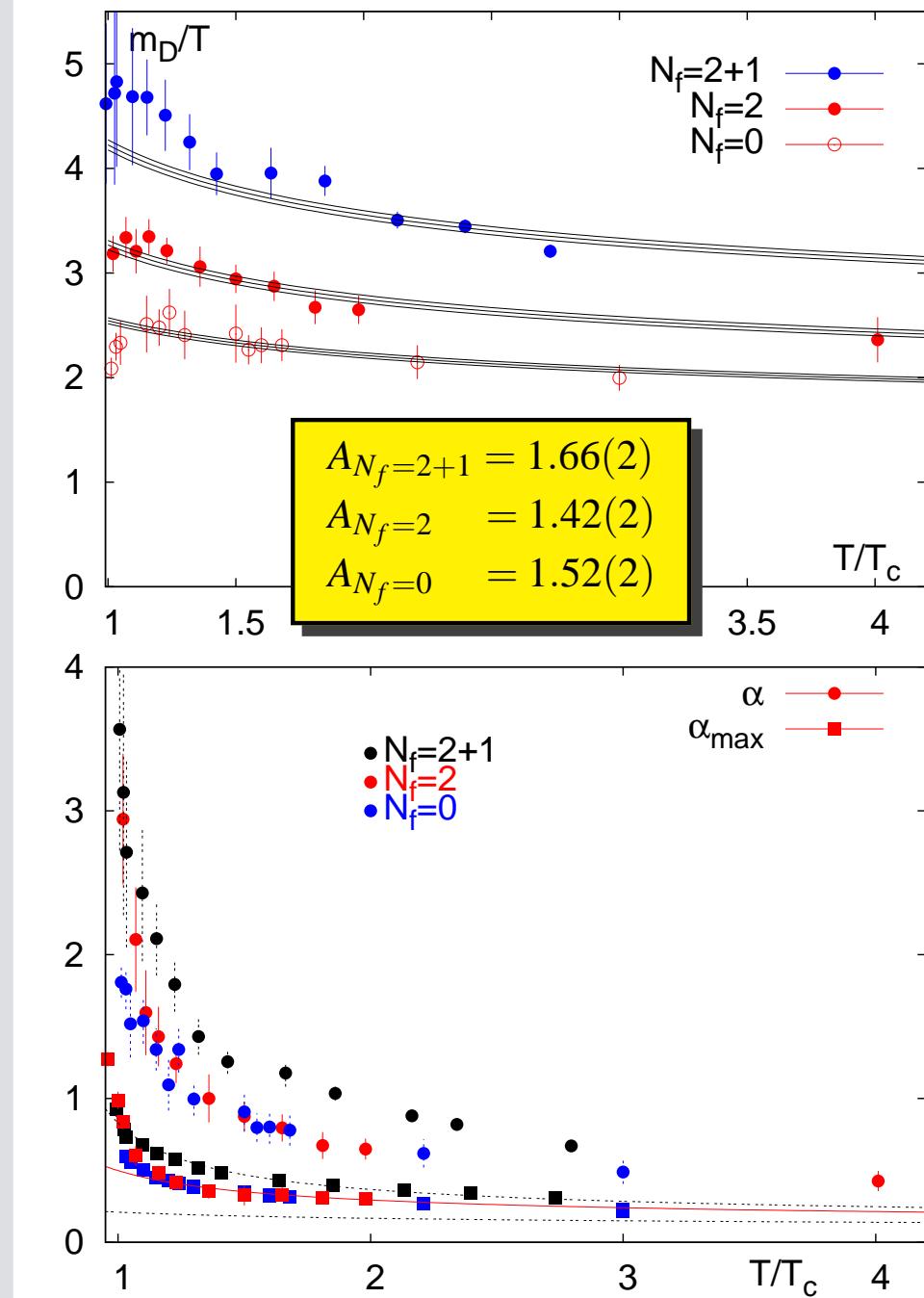
$$F_1(r, T) - F_1(r = \infty, T) = -\frac{4\alpha(T)}{3r} e^{-m_D(T)r}$$

at large distances  $rT \gtrsim 1$

leading order perturbation theory:

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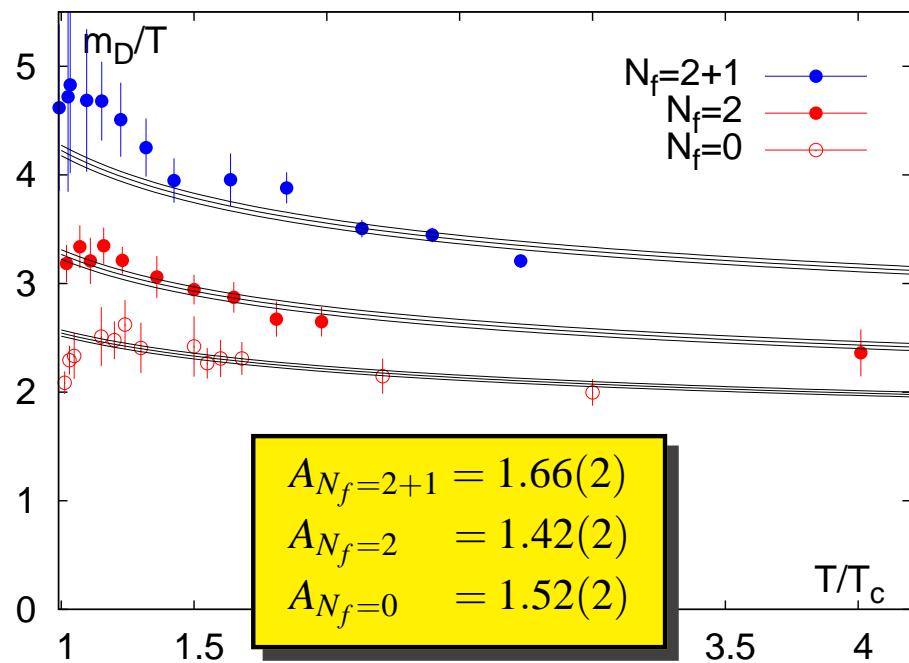
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$$\frac{m_D(T)}{T} = A \left(1 + \frac{N_f}{6}\right)^{1/2} g(T)$$

perturbative limit reached very slowly

# Screening mass - perturbative vs. non-perturbative effects



$T$  dependence qualitatively described by perturbation theory

But  $A \approx 1.4 - 1.5 \implies$  non-perturbative effects

$A \rightarrow 1$  in the (very) high temperature limit

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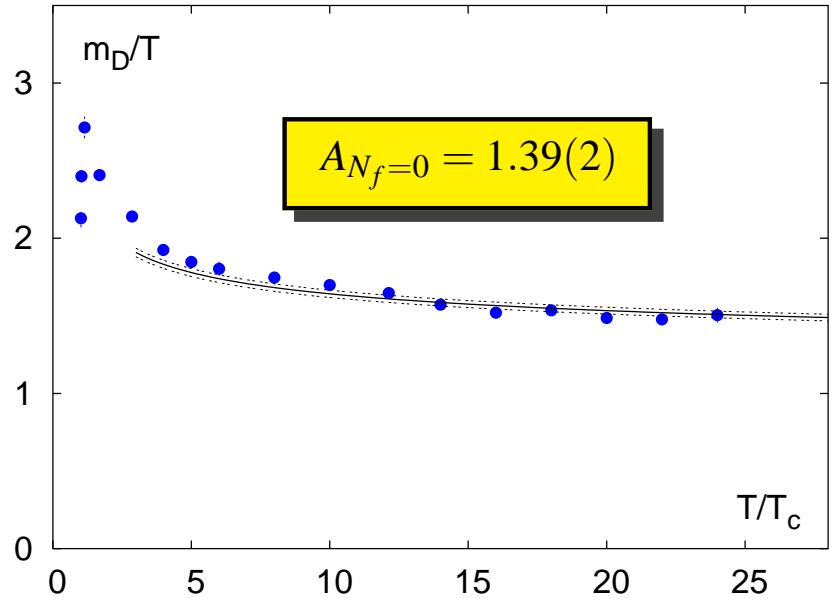
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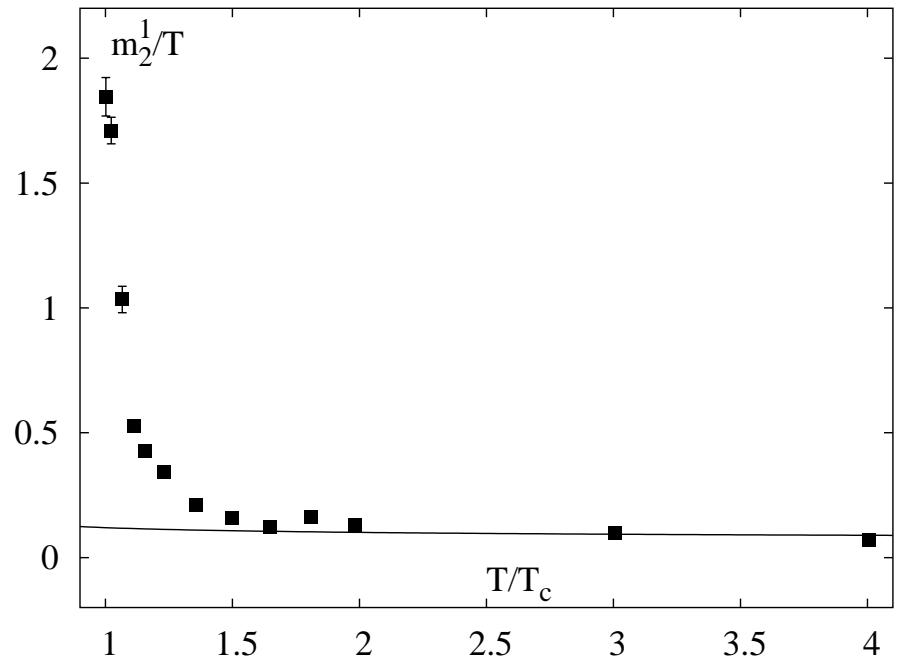
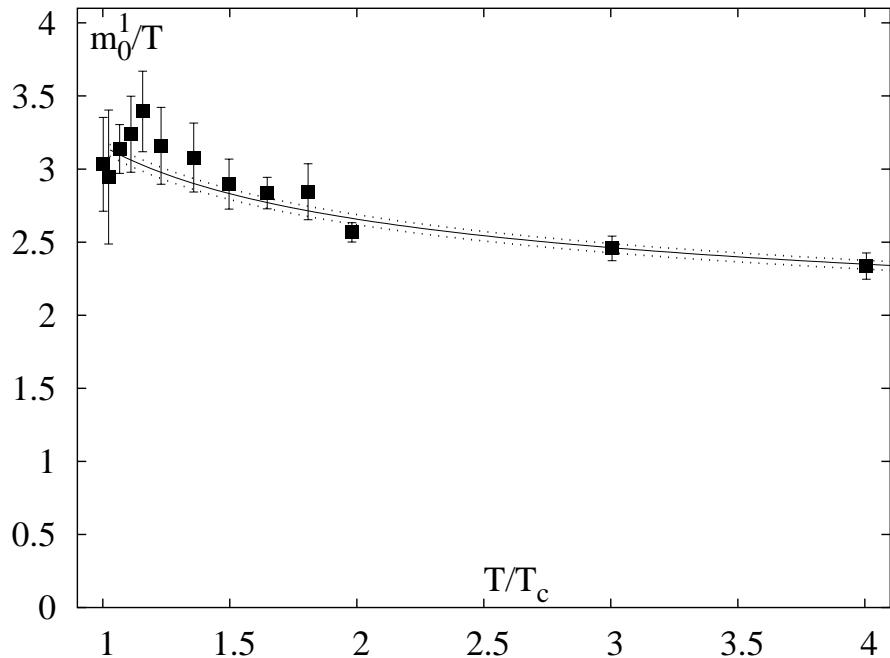


leading order perturbation theory:

$$\frac{m_D(T, \mu_q)}{T} = g(T) \sqrt{1 + \frac{N_f}{6} + \frac{N_f}{2\pi^2} \left( \frac{\mu_q}{T} \right)^2}$$

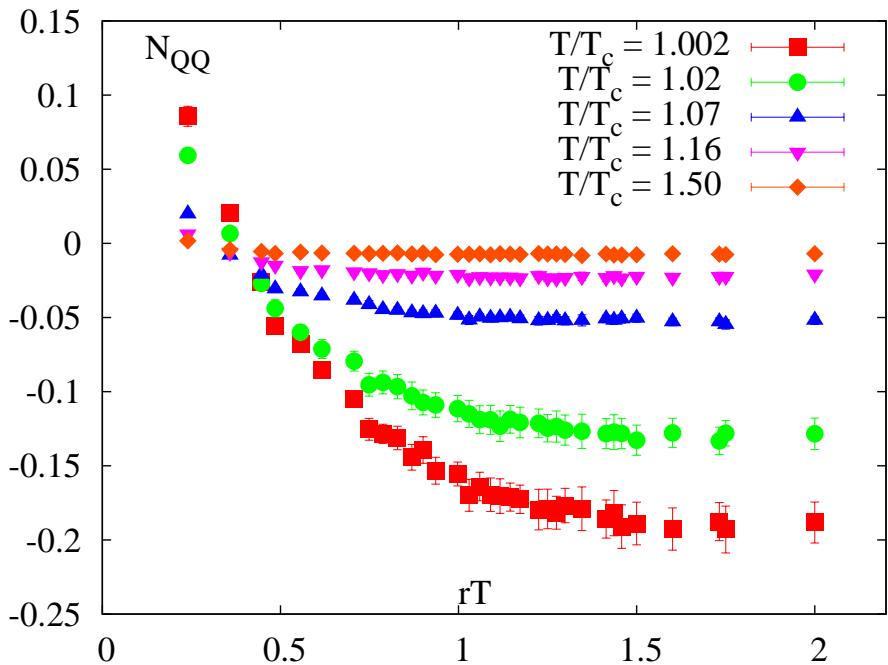
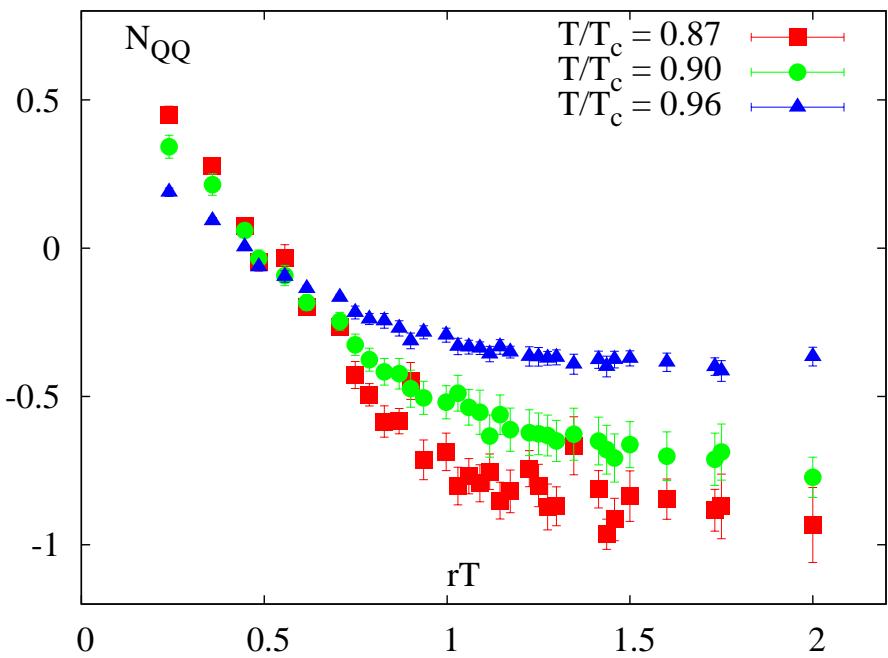
Taylor expansion:

$$m_D(T) = m_0(T) + m_2(T) \left( \frac{\mu_q}{T} \right)^2 + o(\mu_q^4)$$



$m_2(T)$  agrees with perturbation theory for  $T \gtrsim 1.5T_c$

non-perturbative effects dominated by gluonic sector



Net quark number induced by a  $qq$ -pair:

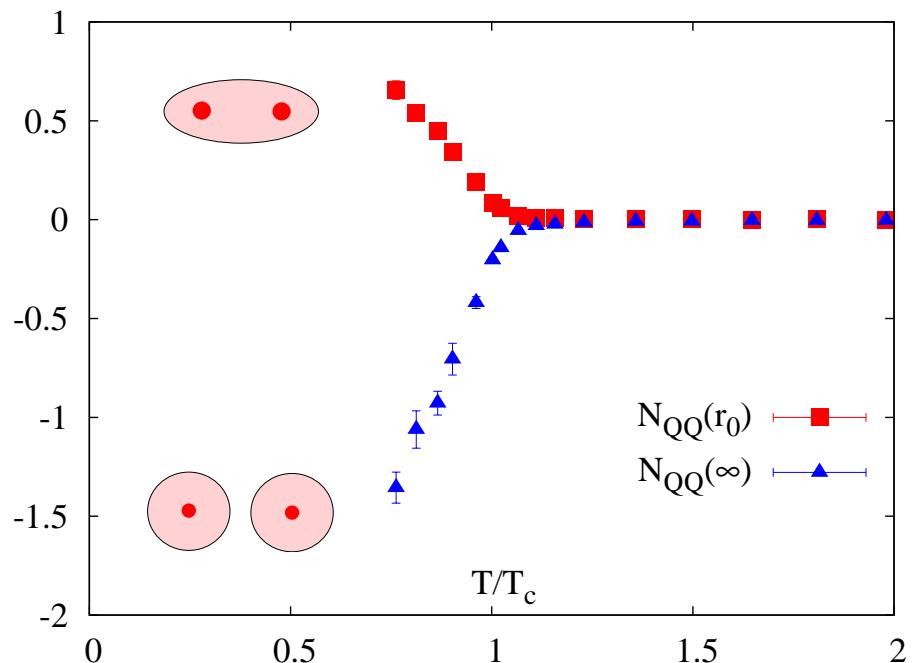
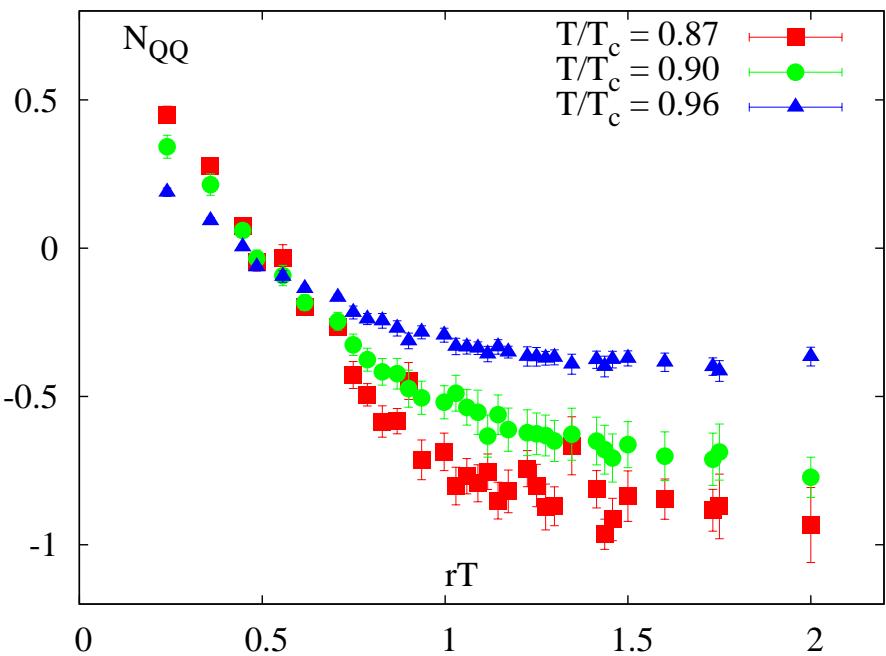
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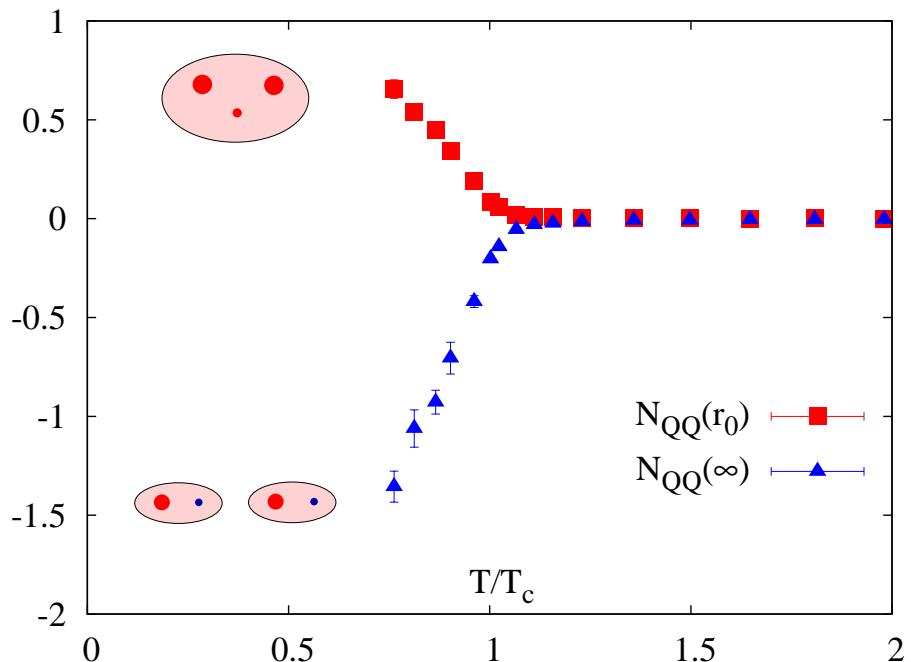
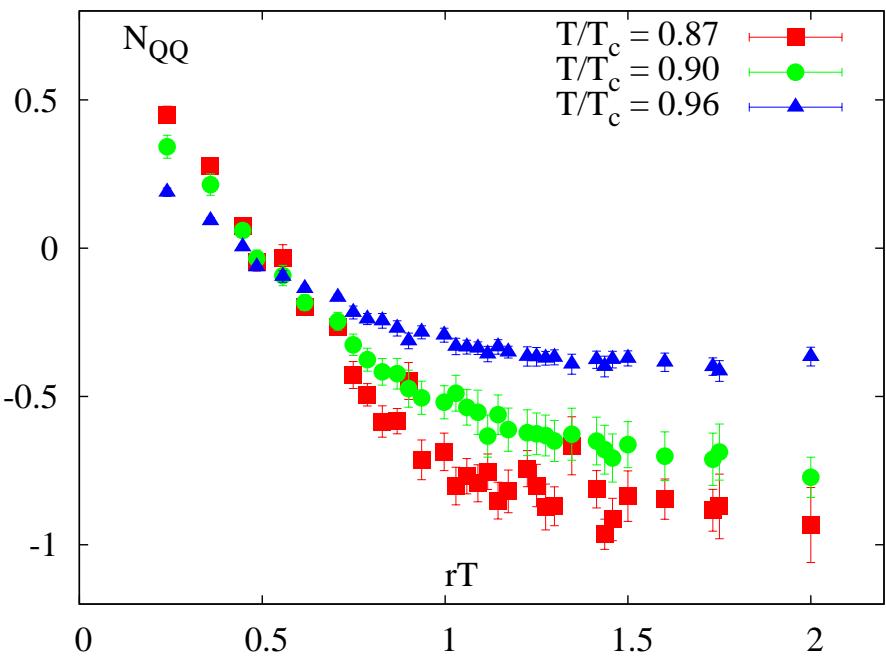
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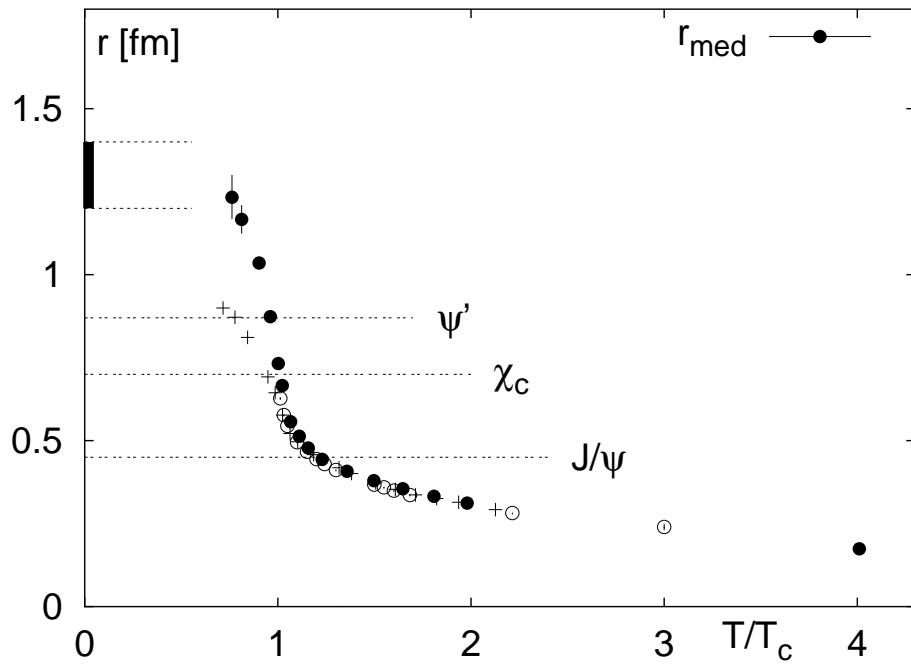
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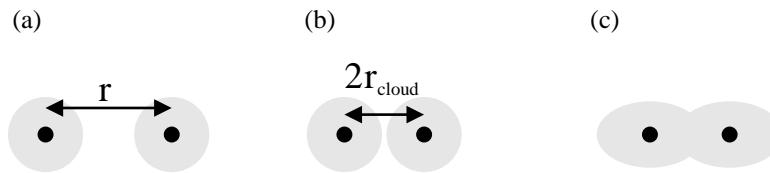
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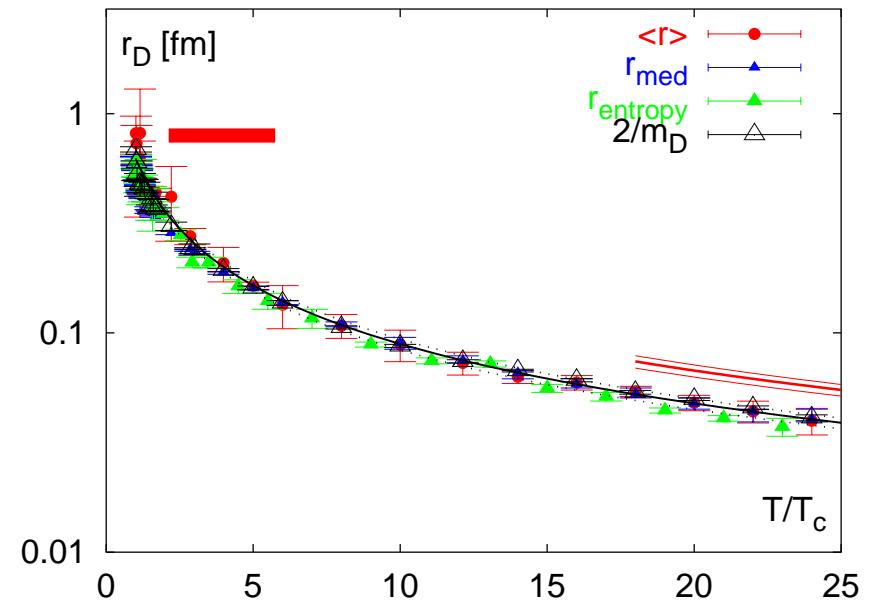


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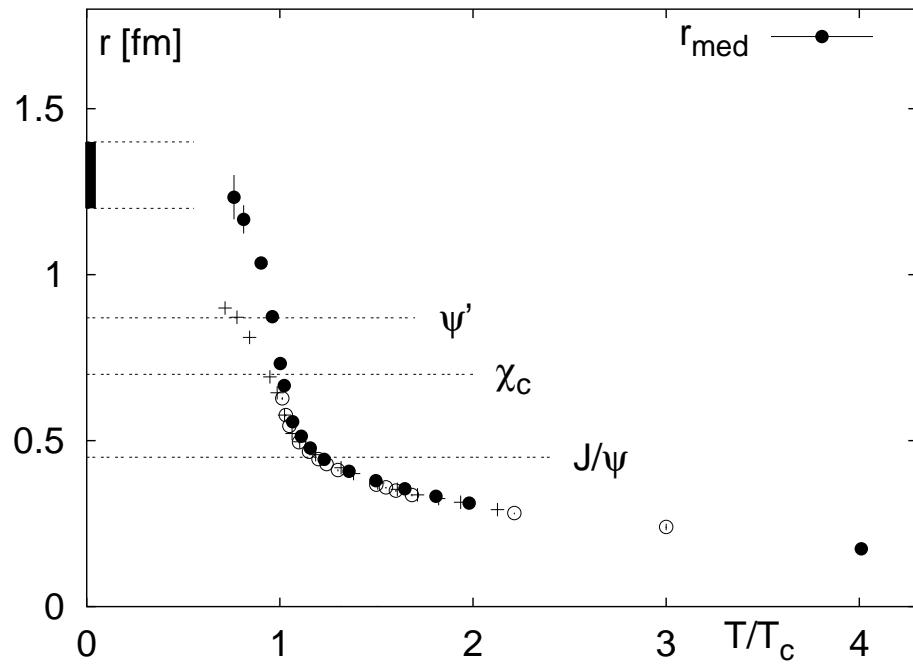
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Better estimates:

effective potentials in Schrödinger Equation

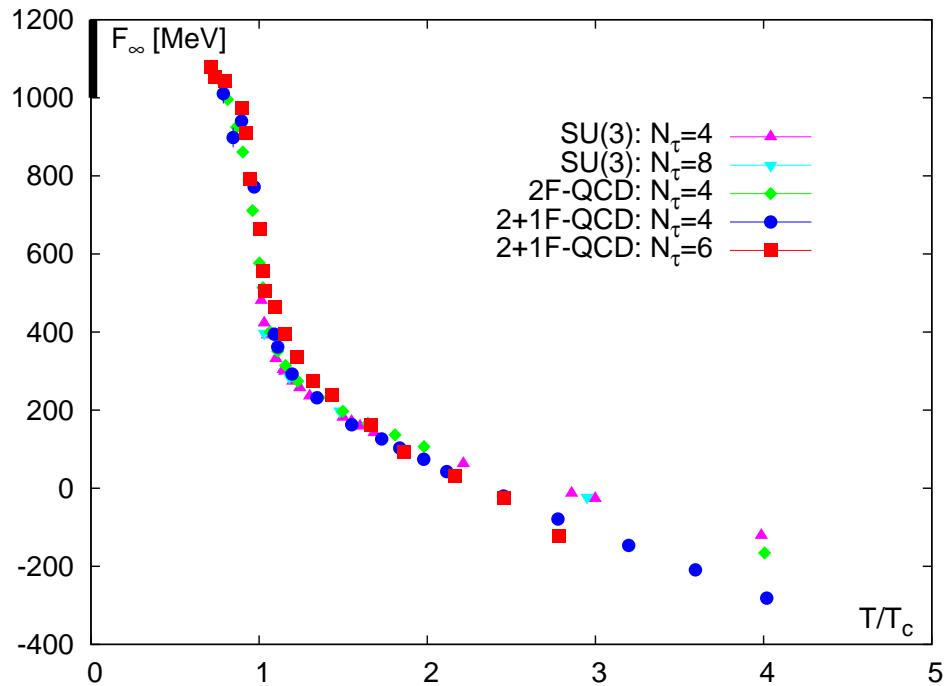
Potential models, effective potential  $V_{eff}(r, T)$

But: Free energies vs. internal energies  $F(r, T) = U(r, T) - TS(r, T)$

direct calculation using correlation functions

Maximum entropy method → spectral function

# *Free energy vs. Entropy at large separations*



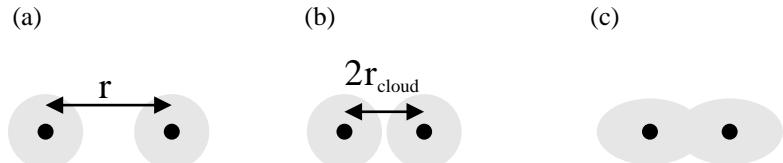
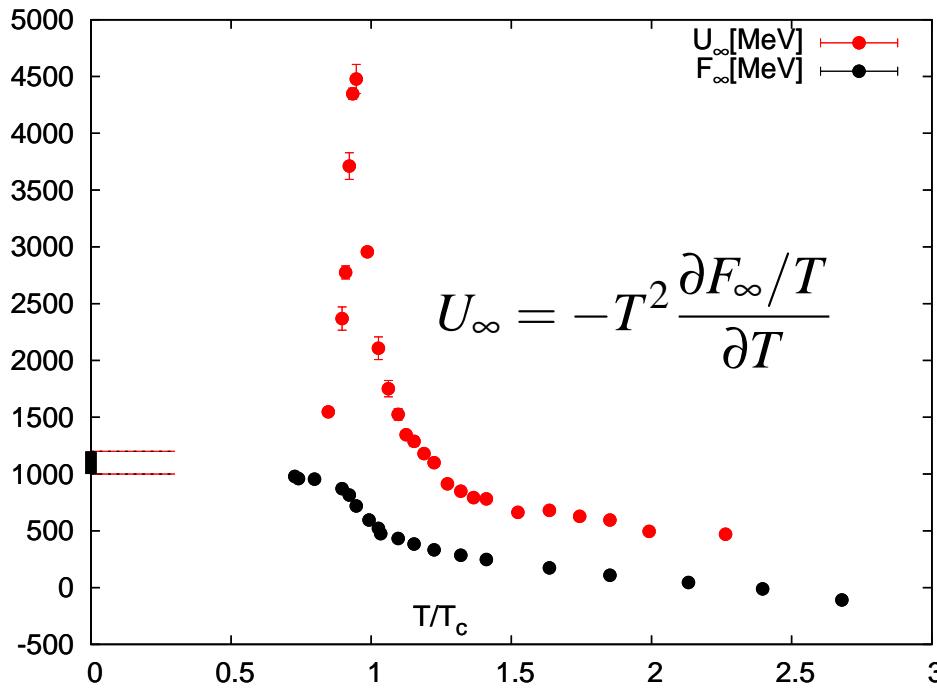
Free energies not only determined  
by potential energy

$$F_\infty = U_\infty - TS_\infty$$

Entropy contributions play a role at finite  $T$

$$S_\infty = - \frac{\partial F_\infty}{\partial T}$$

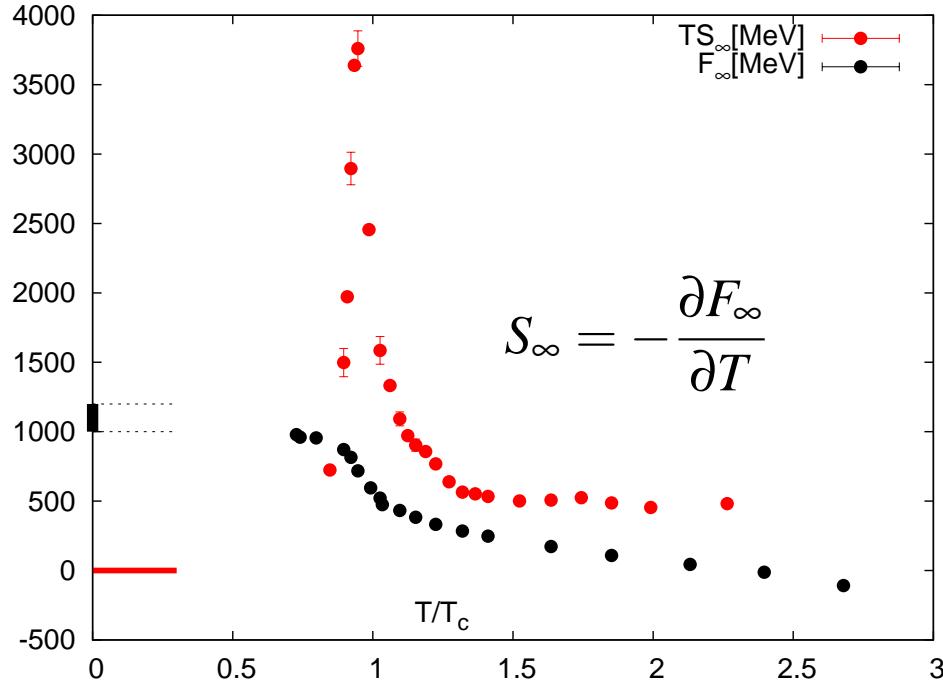
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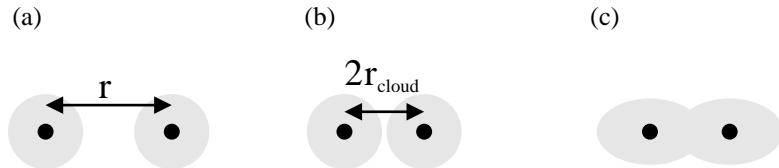
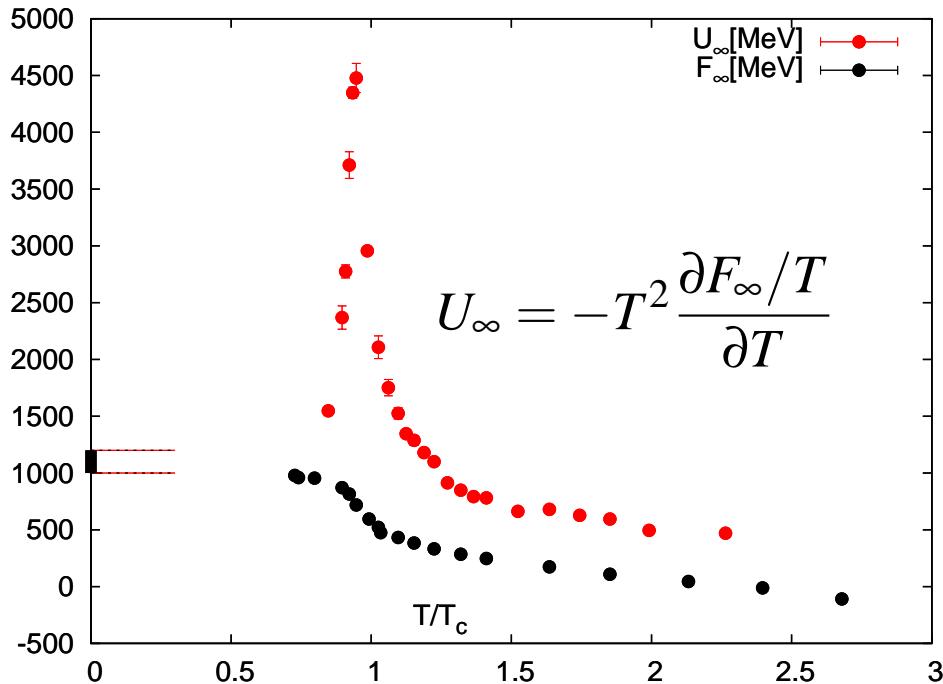
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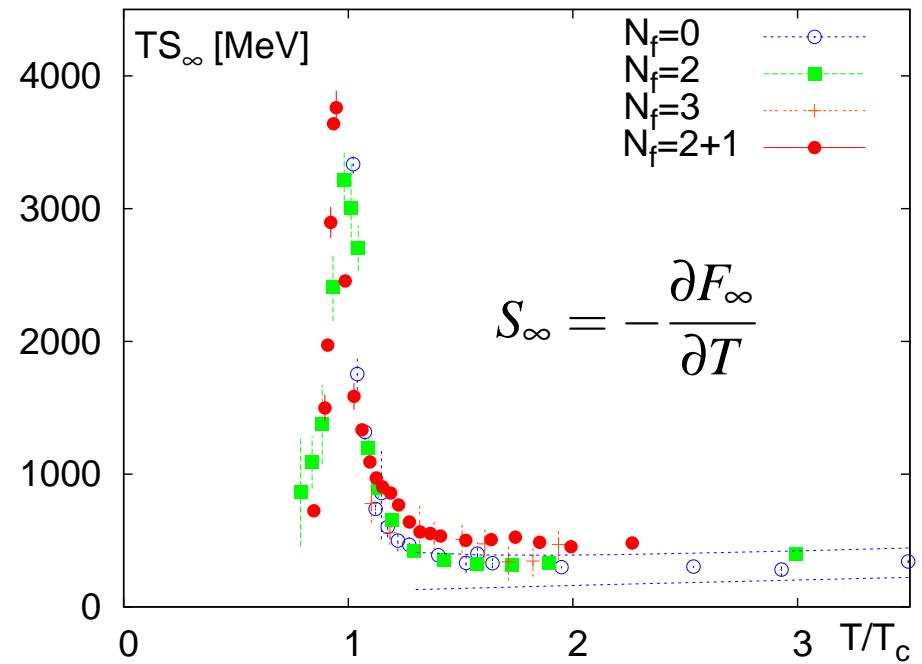
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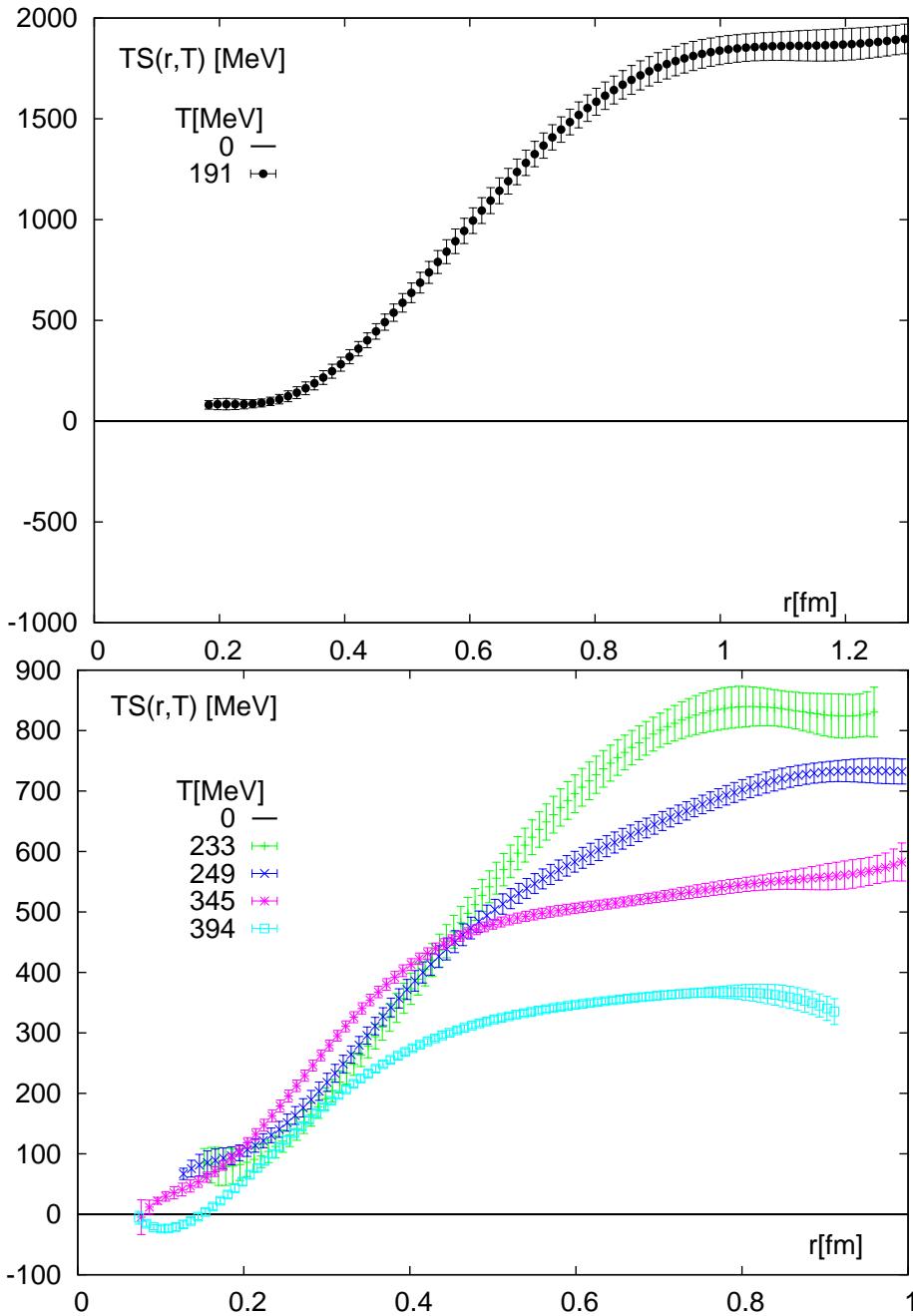
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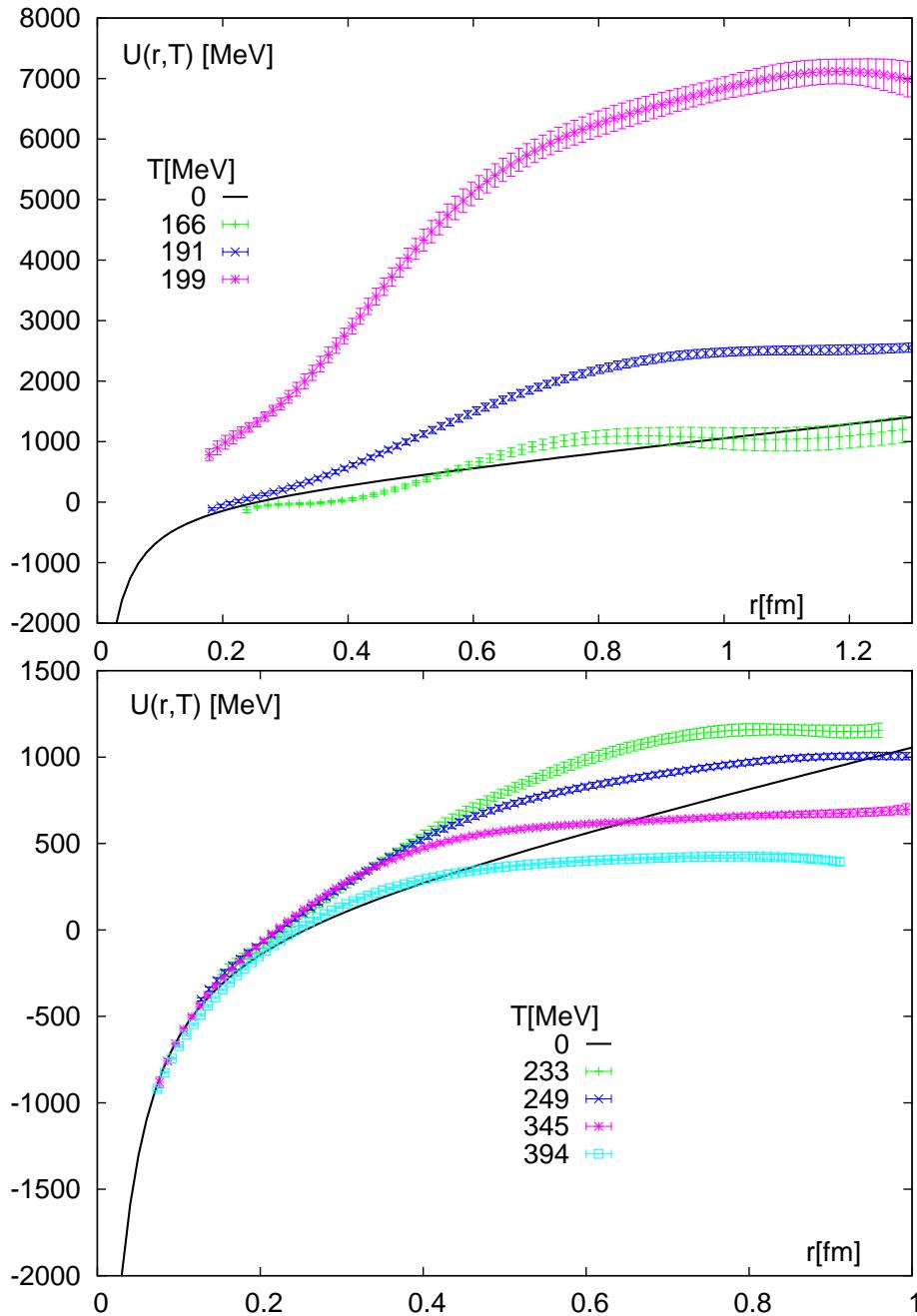
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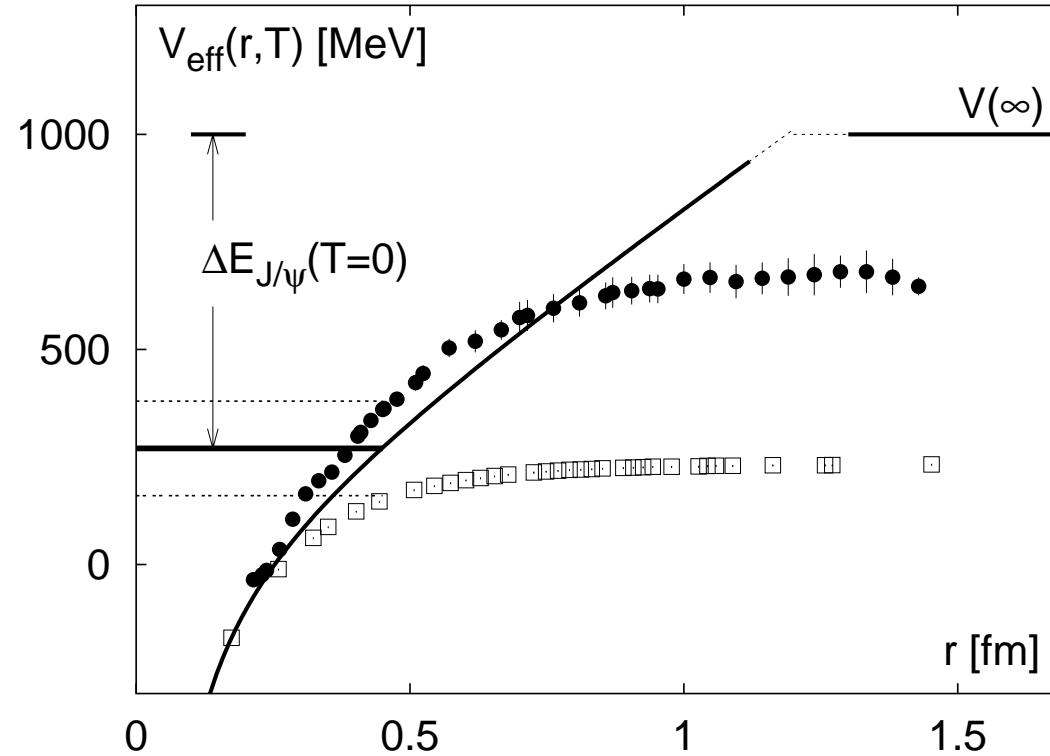
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⇒ Implications on heavy quark bound states?

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# Heavy quark bound states from potential models



steeper slope of  $V_{eff}(r, T) = U_1(r, T)$

⇒  $J/\psi$  stronger bound using  $V_{eff} = U_1(r, T)$

⇒ dissociation at higher temperatures compared to  $V_{eff}(r, T) = F_1(r, T)$

# Conclusions

Heavy quark free energies, internal energies and entropy

Results for almost physical quark masses,  $n_f = 2 + 1$

Complex  $r$  and  $T$  dependence

Running coupling shows remnants of confinement above  $T_c$

Entropy contributions play a role at finite  $T$

Non-perturbative effects in  $m_D$  up to high  $T$

Non-perturbative effects dominated by gluonic sector

Bound states in the quark gluon plasma

Estimates from potential models?

What is the correct potential for such models?

Higher dissociation temperature using  $V_1$

(directly produced)  $J/\psi$  may exist well above  $T_c$

Full QCD calculations of correlation/spectral functions needed

What are relevant processes for charmonium?