

Reduction of hypercubic lattice artifacts

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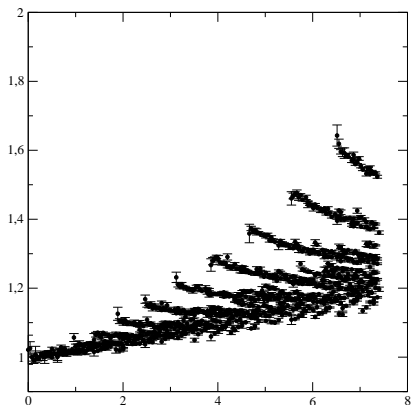


Figure: Raw dressing function $\Delta_L(p)/\Delta_0(p)$ as a function of p^2/m^2 for a 32^4 lattice and $am = 1$ (1000 configurations).

H4 extrapolation method

- Orsay lattice group collaboration.
- Lattice study of the Green functions of QCD:
 - Gluon, quark and ghost propagators $\rightarrow \Lambda_{QCD}$.
 - Three-point Green functions $\rightarrow \alpha_s$.
- Comparison with perturbation theory in ultraviolet regime
 \Rightarrow elimination of hypercubic artifacts from raw data.

Range of applicability of H4 extrapolation method:

F. de Soto, C.R., JHEP 0709:007,2007; arXiv:0705.3523.


Plan of the talk

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 - The H4 extrapolation method
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 - The global H4 method

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Have a critical look at figures of lattice papers!

The free scalar field on the lattice

Lattice action:

$$S_L = \frac{a^4}{2} \sum_x \left\{ m^2 \phi_x^2 + \sum_{\mu=1}^4 (\nabla_\mu \phi_x)^2 \right\}, \quad \nabla_\mu \phi_x = \frac{\phi_{x+a\hat{\mu}} - \phi_x}{a}$$

Momentum space:

$$\tilde{S}_L = \frac{a^4}{2} \sum_p \left(m^2 + \hat{p}^2 \right) |\tilde{\phi}_p|^2, \quad \hat{p}_\mu = \frac{2}{a} \sin \left(\frac{ap_\mu}{2} \right)$$

Lattice spacing expansion: $\bar{p}^n = \sum_\mu p_\mu^n$

$$\hat{p}^2 = \sum_\mu \hat{p}_\mu^2 \approx p^2 - \frac{a^2}{12} \bar{p}^4 + \frac{a^4}{360} \bar{p}^6 - \frac{a^6}{20160} \bar{p}^8 + \dots$$

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- Smooth rotational extrapolation $\overline{p}^n \rightarrow 0$, $n = 4, 6, 8$, $a \neq 0$.

Hypercubic symmetry

- Work on hypercubic lattices with discrete symmetry group $H(4)$:

$$H(4) \simeq S(4) \times Z(2)^4$$

- Lattice form factor: $F_L(p) \equiv F_L(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4)$
- $F_L(p)$ is invariant along each orbit $O(p)$ in $H(4)$:

$$O(p) \equiv \{p' = h(p), \quad \forall h \in H(4)\}$$

- All orbits of a discrete group are uniquely characterized by a finite set of *polynomial* invariants.
- For $H(4)$, the algebraically independent polynomial invariants are $p^2, \bar{p}^4, \bar{p}^6, \bar{p}^8$.
- Each orbit $O(p)$ is also characterized by a subgroup of $H(4)$, the isotropy group of p which leaves p fixed.

Rotational limit .vs. continuum limit

- Want to eliminate hypercubic artifacts from F_L :
→ Rotationally invariant observable depend only on p^2 .
- Extrapolate at **finite lattice spacing**.
- Hence the rotational limit **is not** the continuum limit.
- There are still scaling violations in extrapolated observables which are $O(4)$ invariant.

Renormalizable Quantum Field Theory (I)

- Functional identity:

$$F_L(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = \bar{F}_L(p^2, \bar{p}^4, \bar{p}^6, \bar{p}^8)$$

- $L \rightarrow \infty \implies \bar{F}_L \rightarrow$ smooth function.
- **Rotational limit is a smooth function of p^2 :**

$$\bar{F}_L(p^2, 0, 0, 0) = F_O(p^2)$$

- Smooth interpolation at finite L and fixed p^2 with $a^2 p^2 \ll 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{F}_L(p^2, \bar{p}^4, \bar{p}^6, \bar{p}^8) &= \bar{F}_L(p^2, 0, 0, 0) + \bar{p}^4 \frac{\partial \bar{F}_L}{\partial \bar{p}^4}(p^2, 0, 0, 0) \\ &+ \bar{p}^6 \frac{\partial \bar{F}_L}{\partial \bar{p}^6}(p^2, 0, 0, 0) + (\bar{p}^4)^2 \frac{\partial^2 \bar{F}_L}{\partial (\bar{p}^4)^2}(p^2, 0, 0, 0) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

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Why not $F_L(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = \hat{F}_L(\hat{p}_1, \hat{p}_2, \hat{p}_3, \hat{p}_4)$?

- \hat{p}_μ are the natural variables of PT in a box with PBC.
- $\hat{F}_L(\hat{p}^2, 0, 0, 0)$ is a smooth function of \hat{p}^2 and not of p^2 .
- But no model-independent way to extract $\hat{F}_L(\hat{p}^2, 0, 0, 0)$ from raw data.
- \hat{p}^2 is not an $O(4)$ invariant.

A controllable model

- Use the free scalar field with mass $ma = 1$ as a controllable model to generate the raw lattice data.
- **Do not use** any analytical or physical information in the analysis (except the smoothness assumption and naive dimensional arguments). In particular do not use the explicit knowledge of the mass.
- The case of QCD is simpler as long as Λ_{QCD} and the quark masses are negligible in comparison to the momentum scale.

Semi-local fit

Independent extrapolation
at each p^2 :

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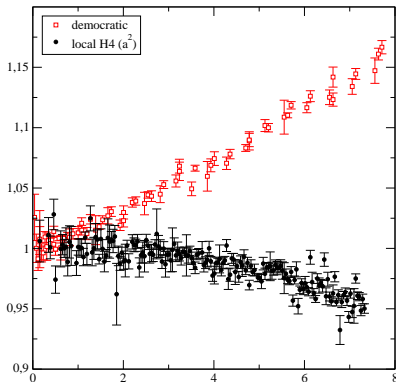
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Comparison of the extrapolated dressing function $\Delta_E(p^2)/\Delta_0(p^2)$ as a function of p^2 on a 32^4 lattice ($a = m = 1$), between the democratic method (open squares) and the local H4 method (black circles) - 1000 configurations.

Global fit

Global extrapolation up to order a^4 over some momentum window:

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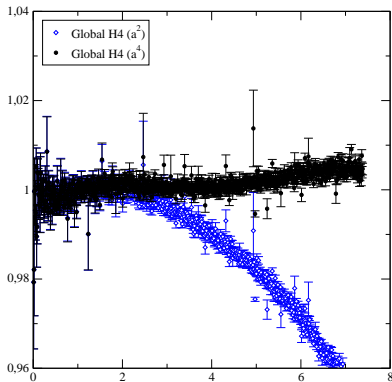
Global extrapolation up to order a^4 over some momentum window:

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A χ^2 -criterion for estimating the systematic errors

Quantitative estimation of the systematic errors as a function of lattice and sample sizes:

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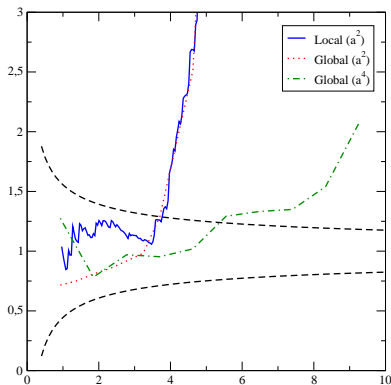
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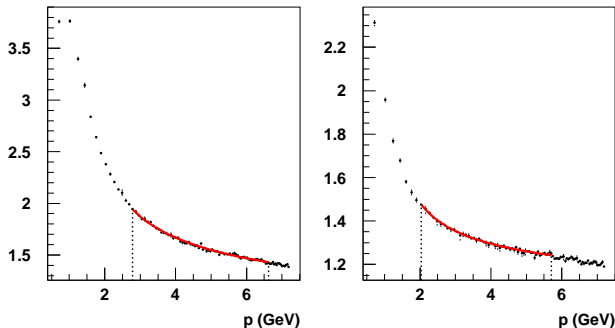
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$\chi^2/d.o.f$ as a function of p_{max}^2 on a 32^4 lattice ($a = m = 1$), for the local a^2 method (blue solid line), the global a^2 method (red dotted line) and the global a^4 method (green dash-dotted line). The dashed curves are the 95% CL lines.



A QCD application in the guise of conclusion



Extrapolated 32^4 lattice data at $\beta = 6.4$ for Z_3 (left) and \tilde{Z}_3 (right). The solid line is the fit at four-loop order in the \overline{MS} scheme. The vertical dotted lines delimit the window of each fit.

Anisotropic lattices $L^3 \times T$

- Cubic symmetry O_h within each timeslice.
- Extrapolation towards a 3d-rotationally invariant limit for each t (or $E \equiv p_0$).
- $F_{L,T}(p) \longrightarrow \bar{F}_{L,T}(\vec{p}^2, E^2) \xrightarrow{L,T \rightarrow \infty} F_0(p^2)$

A few facts about (hyper)cubic groups

Cubic group

- O_h has 10 conjugacy classes.
- $O_+ = O_h \cap SO(3)$ has 5 conjugacy classes.

Hypercubic group

- H_4 has 20 conjugacy classes.
- $H_4^+ = H_4 \cap SO(4)$ has 13 conjugacy classes.