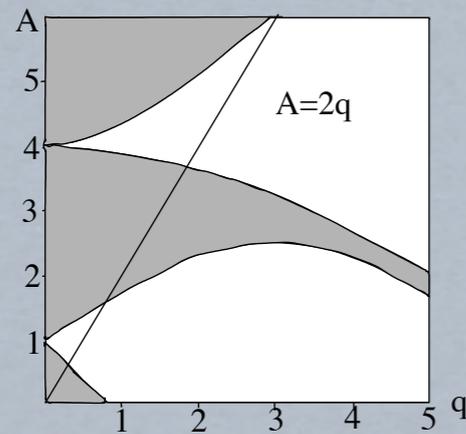
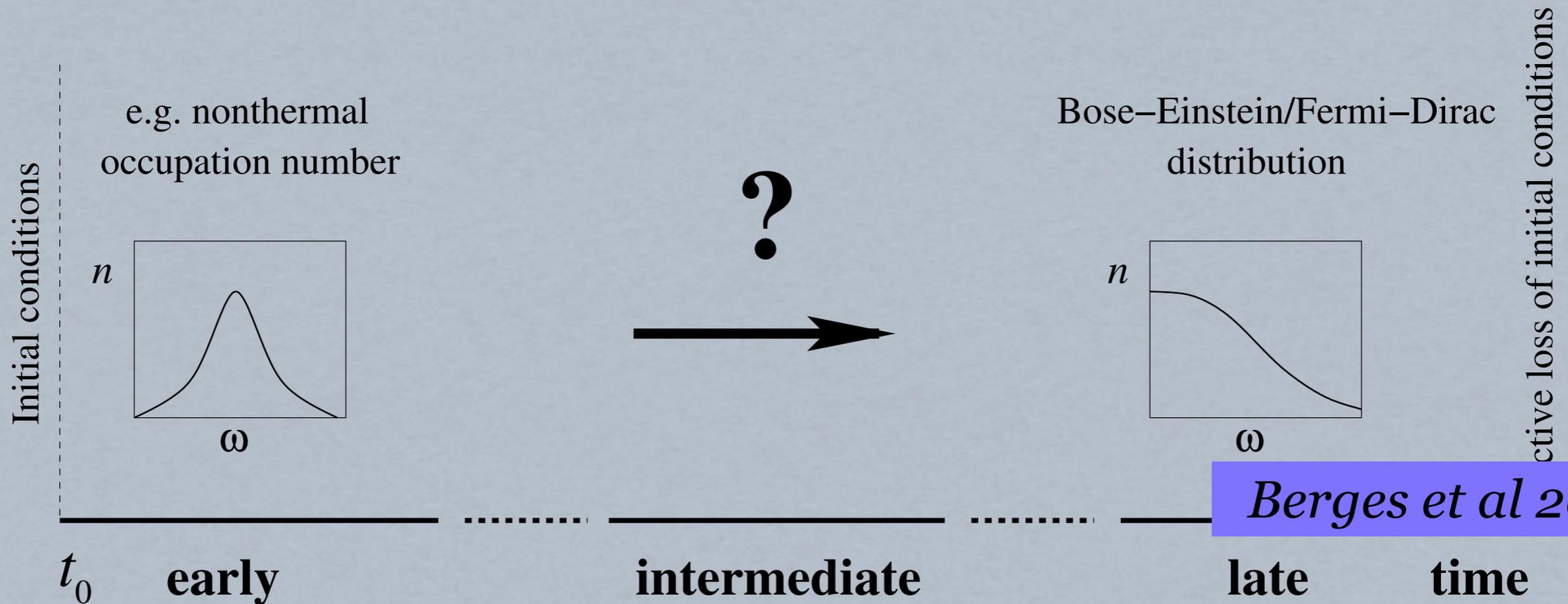


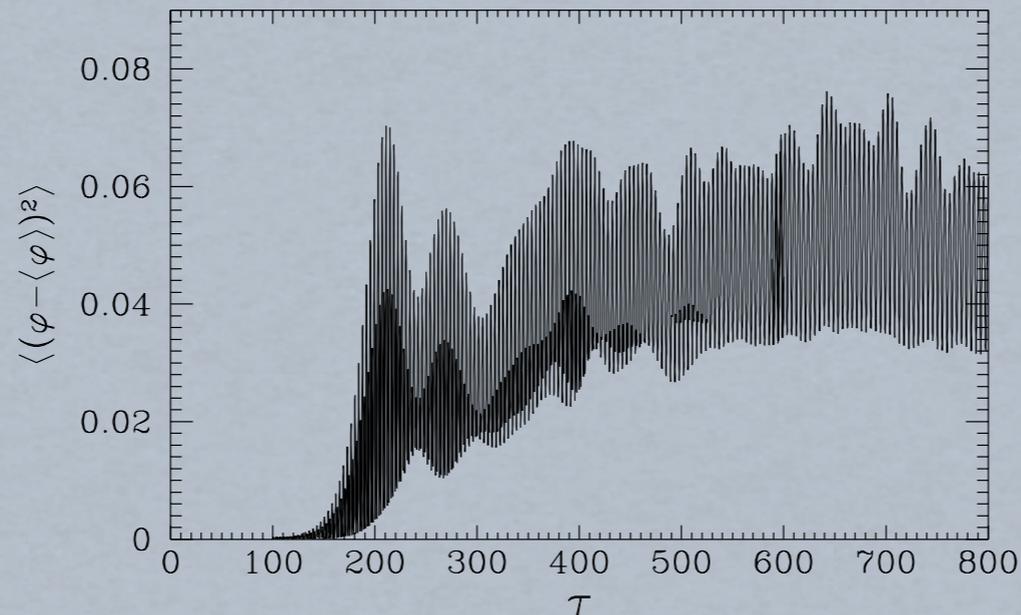
Nonequilibrium Quantum Field Theory

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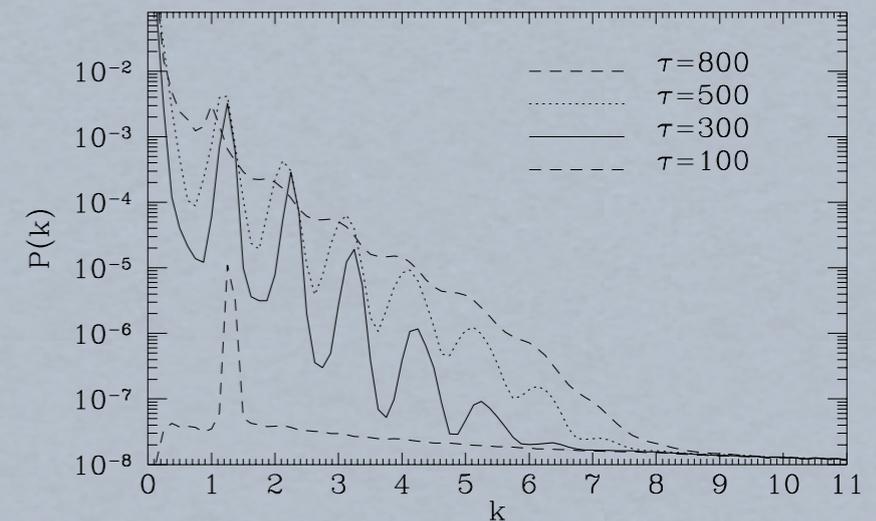
What is nonequilibrium?



instability



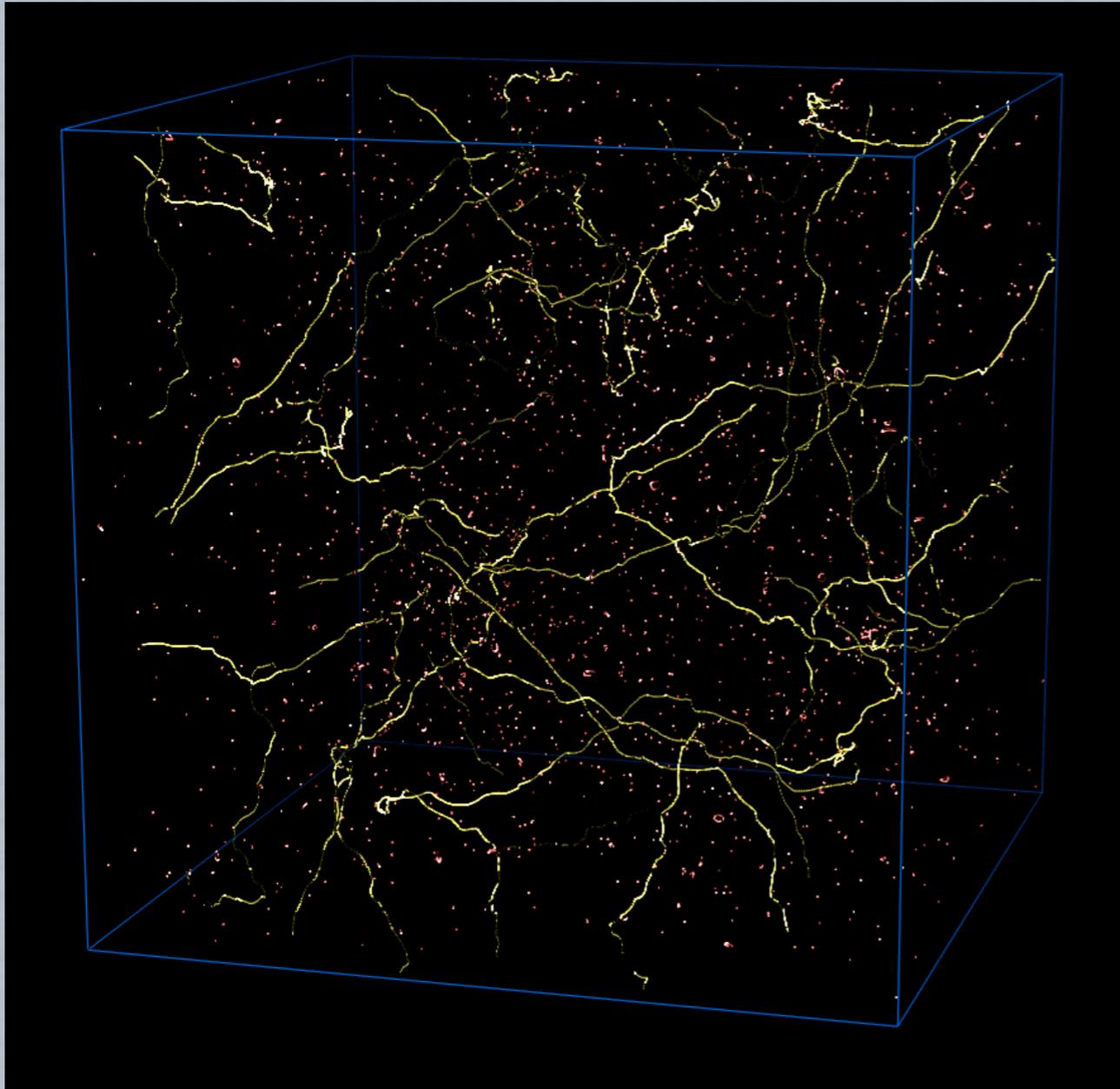
turbulence



Khlebnikov 1996

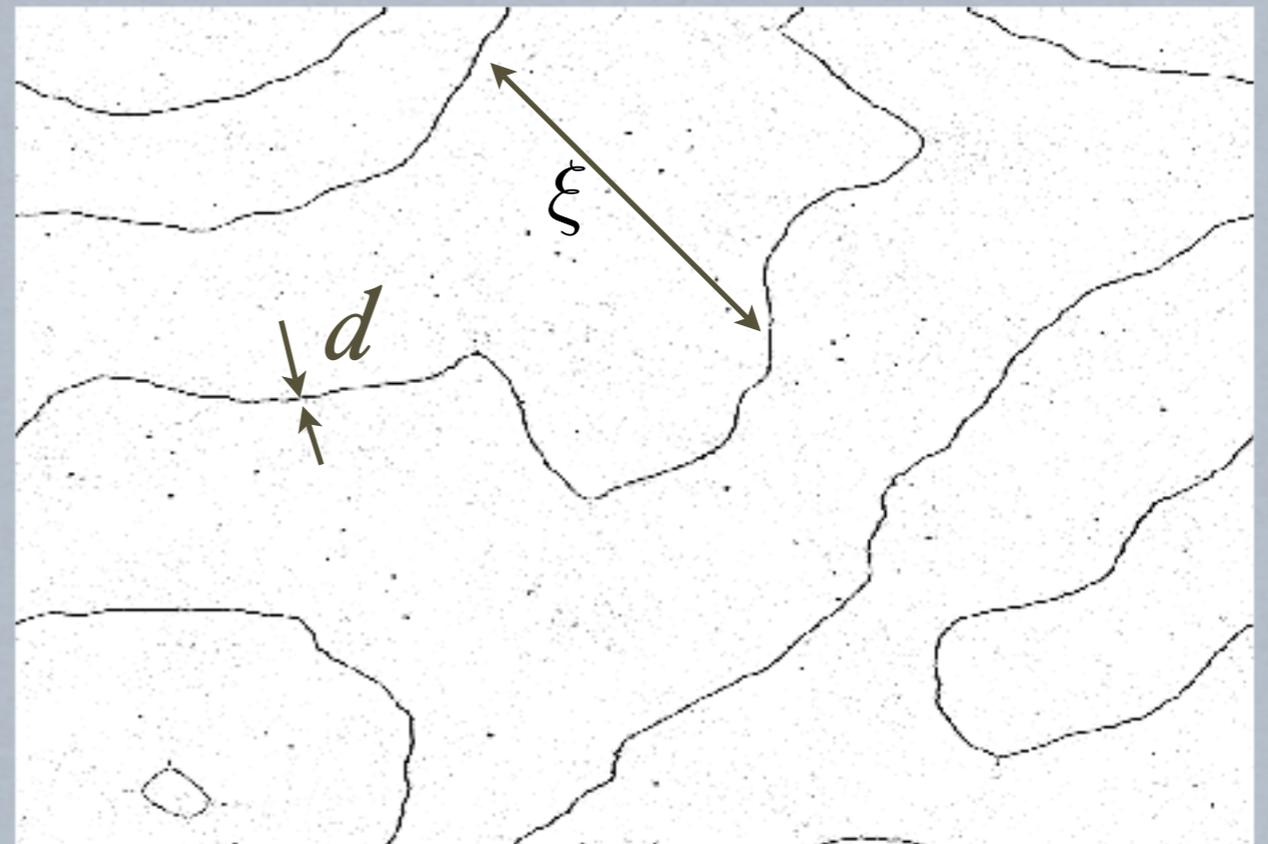
Tkachev, Misha 2004, ... Arnold, Moore 2006

An other setting: defects



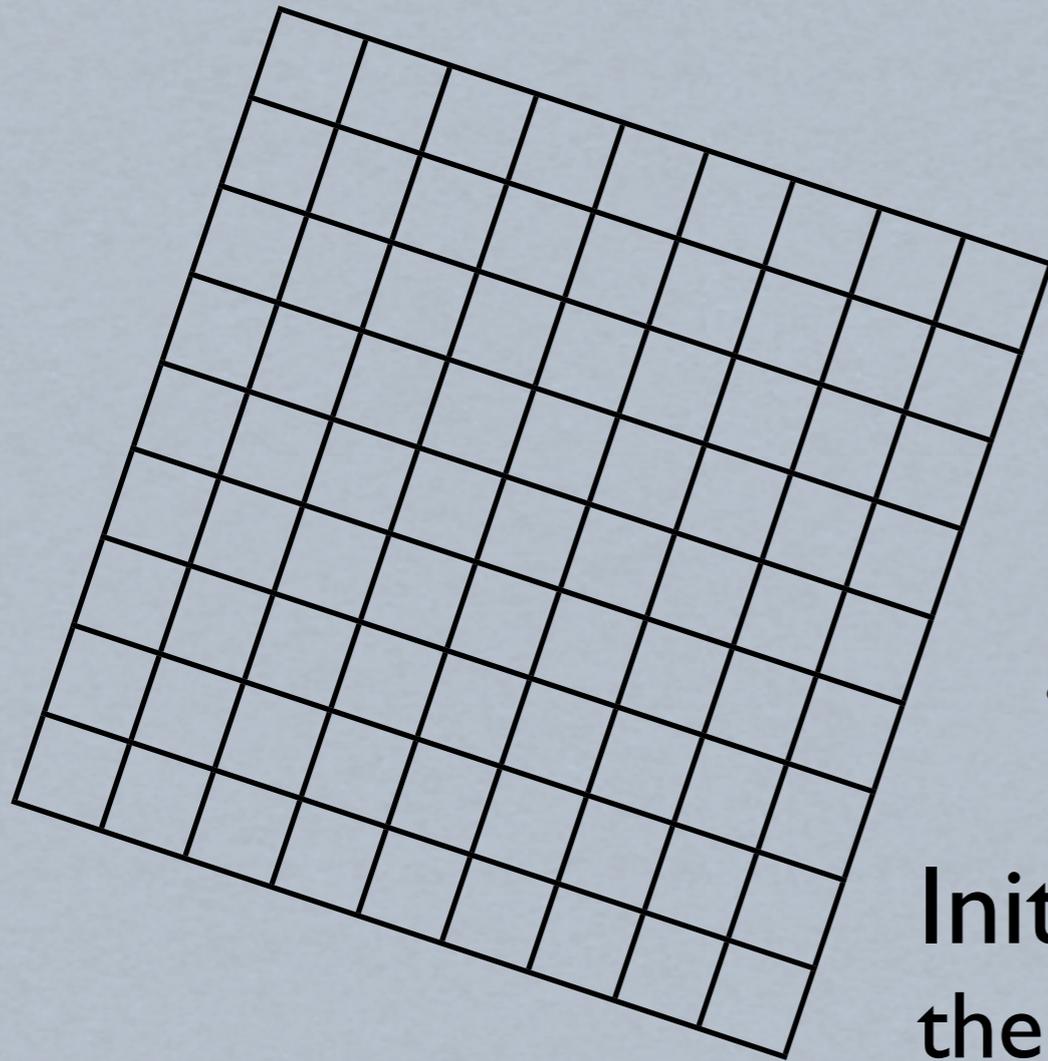
Strings appear as topological defects in field theory. Nonequilibrium QFT accounts for their decay.

$$\xi \gg d$$



see Mark Hindmarsh' talk

The classical approach



Define a lattice field theory,
Solve the 2nd order
Klein-Gordon (or Maxwell)
equations

$$\Phi_{\mathbf{n}}(t + a_t) + \Phi_{\mathbf{n}}(t - a_t) - 2\Phi_{\mathbf{n}}(t) - \frac{a_t^2}{a^2} \sum_i (\Phi_{\mathbf{n}+\hat{i}}(t) + \Phi_{\mathbf{n}-\hat{i}}(t) - 2\Phi_{\mathbf{n}}(t)) + a_t^2 (-\Phi_{\mathbf{n}} + \Phi_{\mathbf{n}}^3 - h) = 0.$$

Initial condition:

the field value is sampled from an ensemble that reproduces the n-point functions.

Evolution of the ensemble gives the n-point functions at a later time.

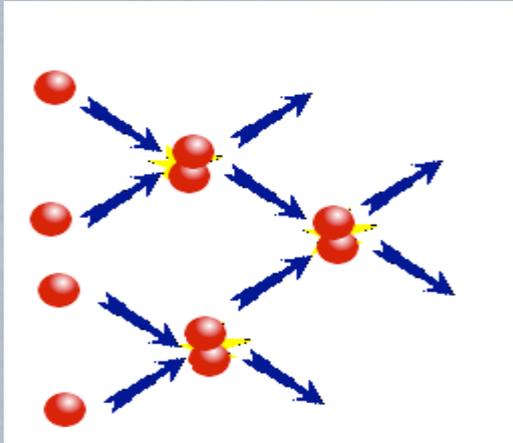
This evolution is *NONPERTURBATIVE* !



- continuum limit
- Bose-Einstein
- physical cutoff
- fermions

see Jan Smit's talk

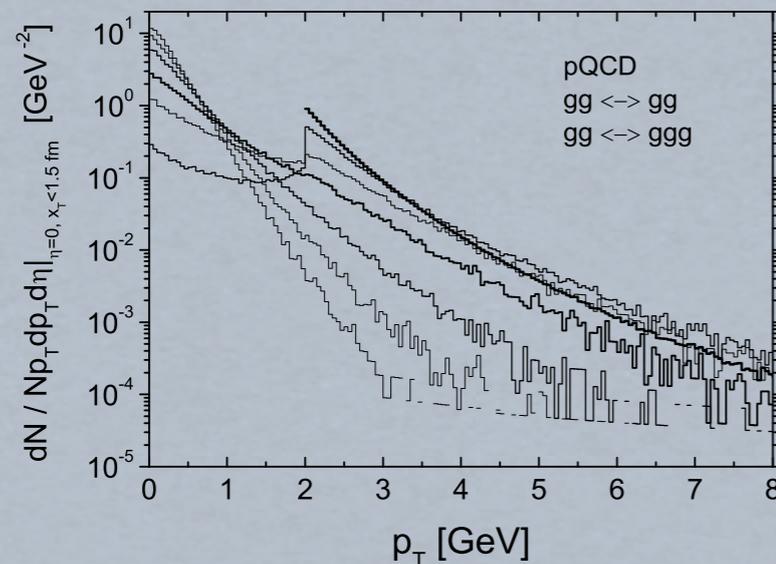
The kinetic approach



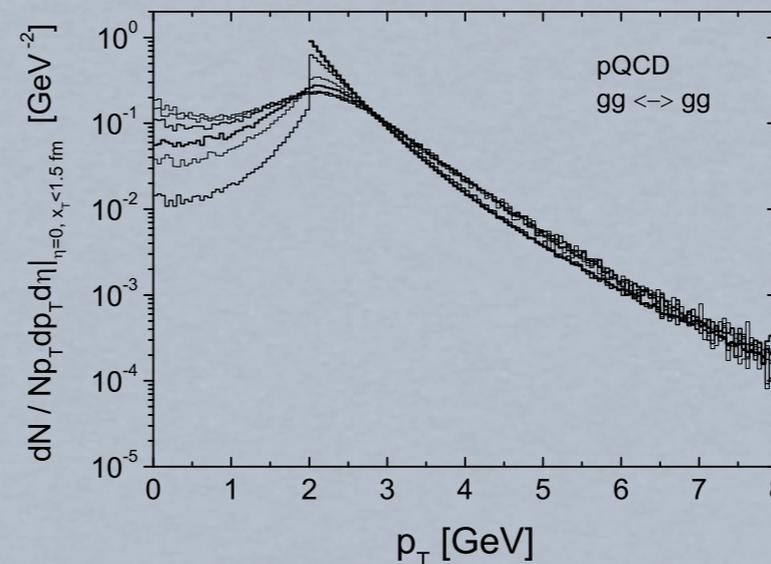
Particles (balls) collide and interact with a precalculated cross section.

Example: Parton thermalisation

with $gg \rightarrow ggg$



with $gg \rightarrow gg$ only



Greiner, Xu 2005

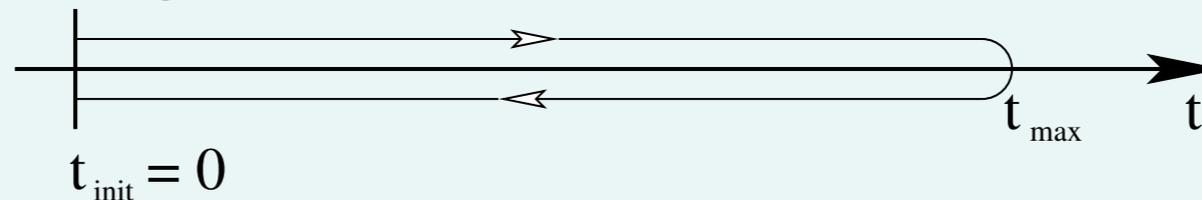
Coherence is lost between collisions.

Gradient expansion has been used. What does justify it?

see also MM Müller's talk

Initial value problem in QFT

Define path integral along the *closed time path* contour



$$\langle \hat{\mathcal{X}} \rangle (t) = \text{Tr} \hat{\rho}(t) \hat{\mathcal{X}}(t_0) = \text{Tr} \hat{\mathcal{U}}(t, t_0) \hat{\rho}(t_0) \hat{\mathcal{U}}^{-1}(t, t_0) \hat{\mathcal{X}}(t_0)$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{U}}(t, t') = \exp \left[-i \int_{t'}^t \hat{\mathcal{H}}(t'') dt'' \right]$$

$$Z[J] = \int \mathcal{D}\phi e^{\frac{i}{c} \int dx [\mathcal{L}(x) + J(x)\phi(x)]}$$

Propagators:

$$G_{ij}^>(x, y) = \langle \varphi_i(x) \varphi_j(y) \rangle$$

$$G_{ij}^<(x, y) = \langle \varphi_j(y) \varphi_i(x) \rangle$$

$$G_{ij}(x, y) = \langle \mathcal{T}_C \varphi_i(x) \varphi_j(y) \rangle$$

$$iG_0 = (\partial^2 + m^2)^{-1}$$

$$F_{ij}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} (G_{ij}^>(x, y) + G_{ij}^<(x, y))$$

$$\rho_{ij}(x, y) = i (G_{ij}^>(x, y) - G_{ij}^<(x, y)),$$

Aarts, Berges 2001

$$G_{ij}(x, y) = F_{ij}(x, y) - \frac{i}{2} \rho_{ij}(x, y) \text{sgn}_C(x_0, y_0)$$

Is the dynamics irreversible?

Thermal equilibrium:

$$\hat{\rho} = e^{-\beta\hat{H}} / \text{Tr}e^{-\beta\hat{H}} \quad \langle \hat{X} \rangle = \text{Tr}\hat{X}\hat{\rho}$$

Is thermalization possible in closed nonlinear system?

Quantum
Mechanics

- Equilibrium is a fixed point of the evolution

- $\rho \not\rightarrow e^{-\beta\hat{H}} / \text{Tr}e^{-\beta\hat{H}}$ **Unitarity!**

- $\langle \hat{H} \rangle = \text{const.}$ uniquely determines the equilibrium ensemble.

But: $\langle \hat{H}^2 \rangle, \langle \hat{H}^3 \rangle, \dots$ conserved (*initial conditions*)

- The quantum ensemble cannot converge to equilibrium!
- Still, the quantum average of some selected observables may converge to the equilibrium value:

$$\langle \Phi(x)\Phi(y) \rangle_{\text{noneq}} \longrightarrow \langle \Phi(x)\Phi(y) \rangle_{\text{thermal}}, \quad \text{as } x_0, y_0 \rightarrow \infty$$

Perturbation theory fails

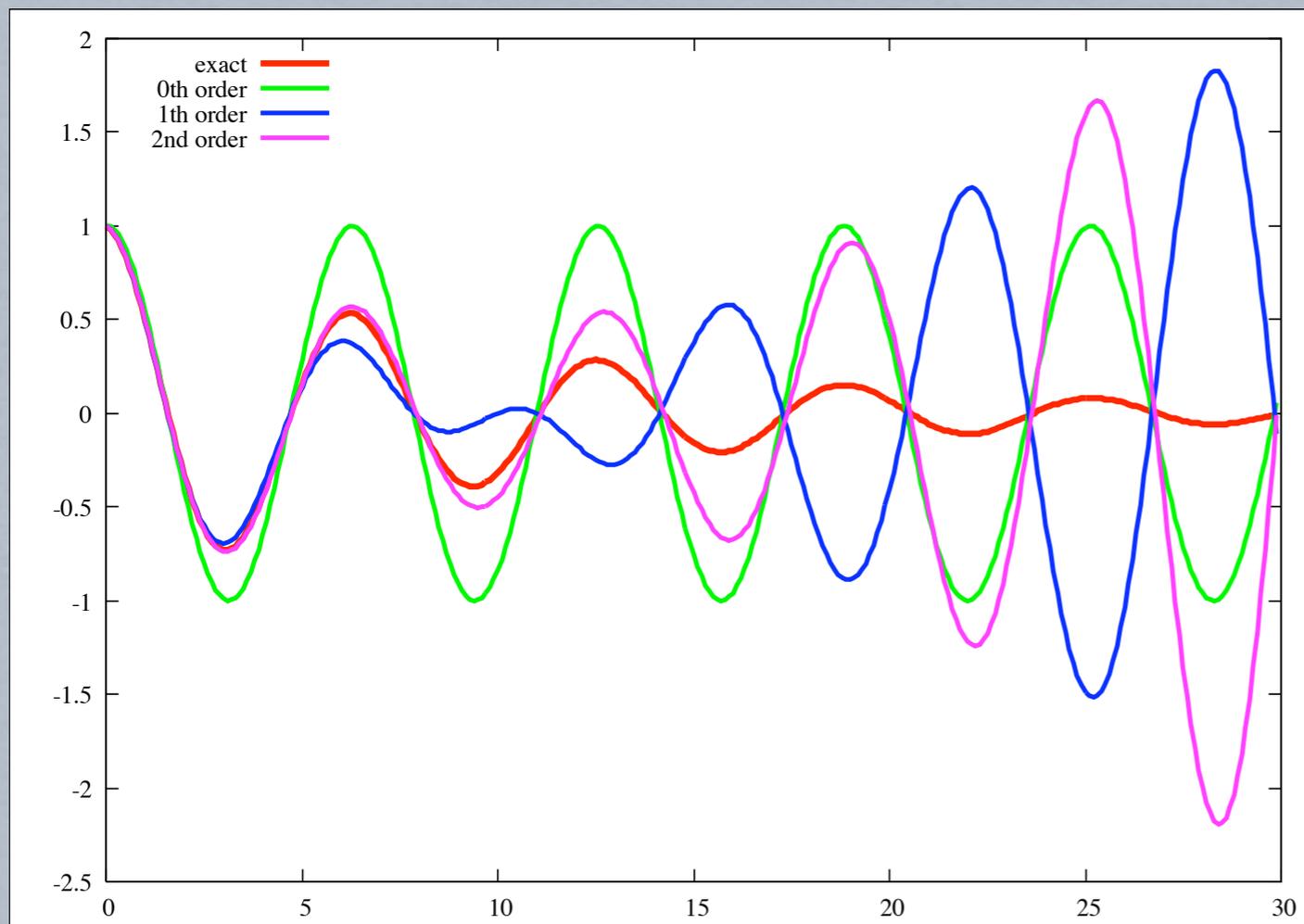
Example: a damped oscillator

$$\ddot{x}(t) + 2\gamma\dot{x}(t) + m^2x(t) = 0$$

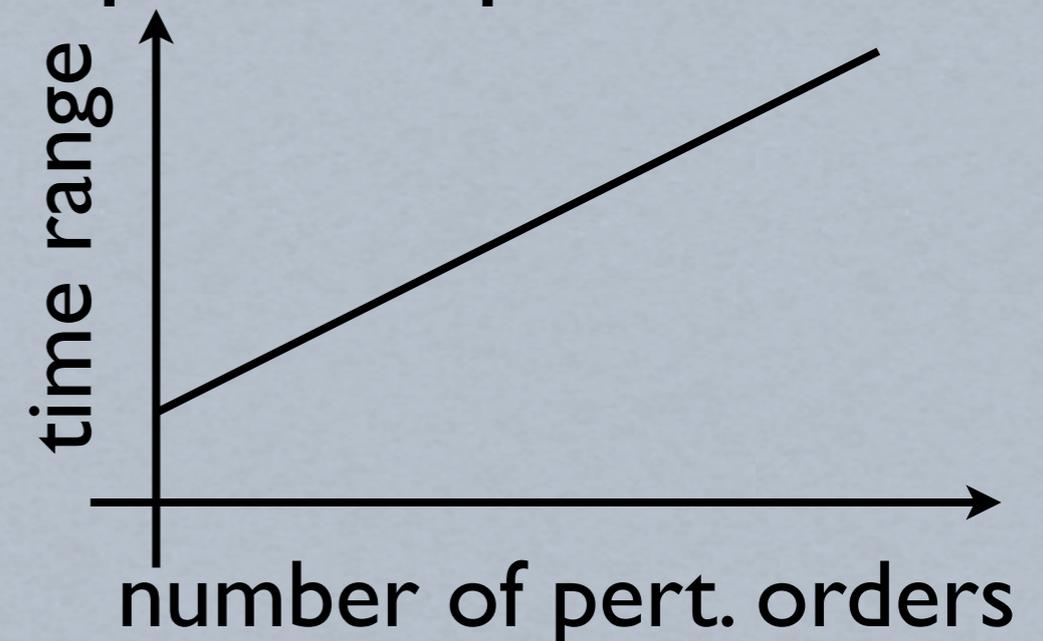
$$x(t) = A \sin(t\sqrt{m^2 - \gamma^2})e^{-t\gamma}$$

1st perturbative order:

$$x(t) = A \cos(tm)(1 - t\gamma)$$



Secular behaviour:
the time is part of the
expansion parameter!



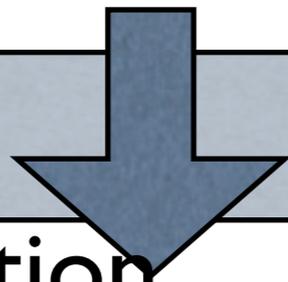
A nonperturbative approach: Let's simulate on a lattice!

Euclidean Langevin equation:

$$\partial_{\vartheta}\phi(x, \vartheta) = -\frac{\delta S_E[\phi]}{\delta\phi(x, \vartheta)} + \eta(x, \vartheta)$$

$$\langle\eta(x_1, \vartheta_1)\eta(x_2, \vartheta_2)\rangle = 2\delta(\vartheta_1 - \vartheta_2)\delta^{(4)}(x_1 - x_2)$$

Parisi, Wu 1981



Langevin equation
on the closed time path contour

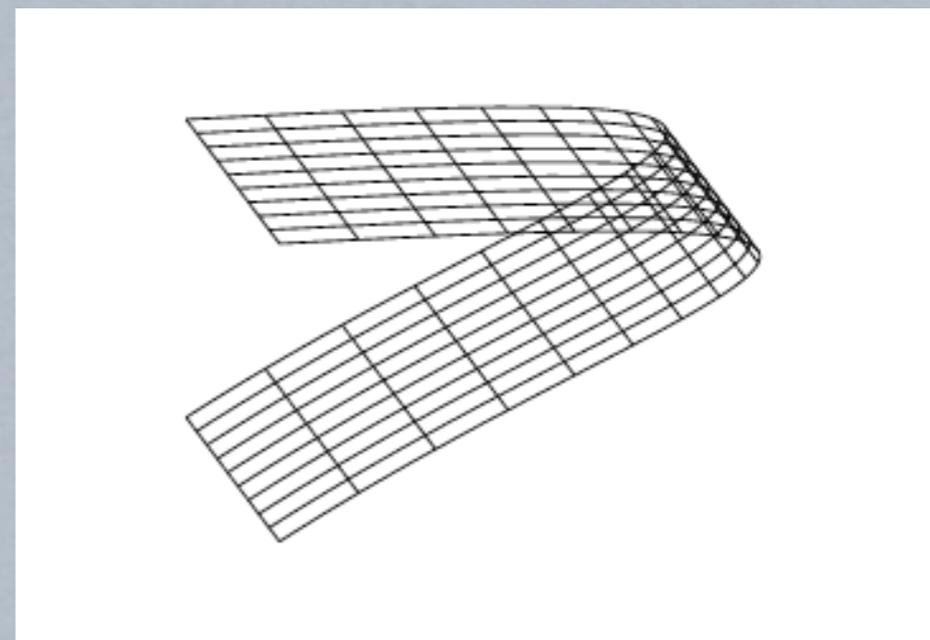
$$\frac{\partial\phi(C_j)}{\partial\vartheta} = i\frac{\partial S}{\partial\phi(C_j)} + \eta_j(\vartheta)$$

Contour points: C_j

see Dénes Sexty's talk

In this algorithm
probabilities
are never used.

Reproduces the hierarchy
of SD equations.



It really *does* converge in real time, too!

Toy model: anharmonic oscillator

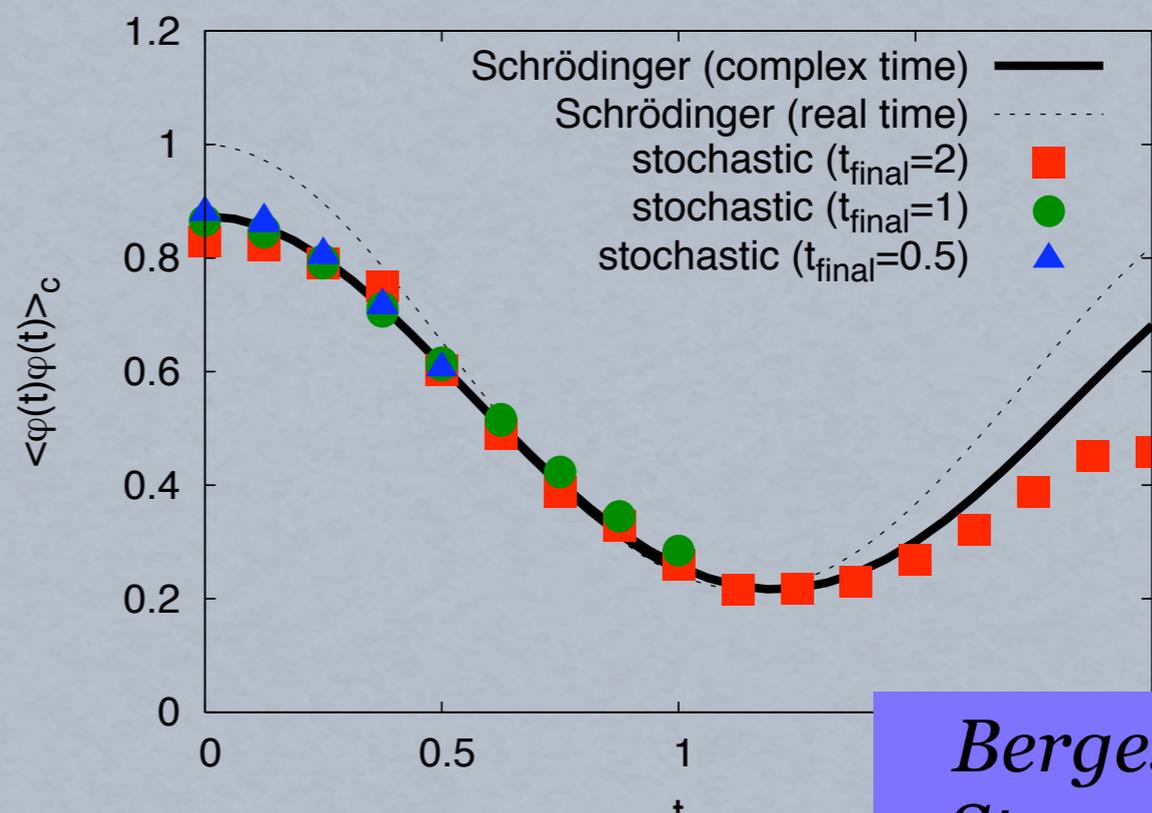
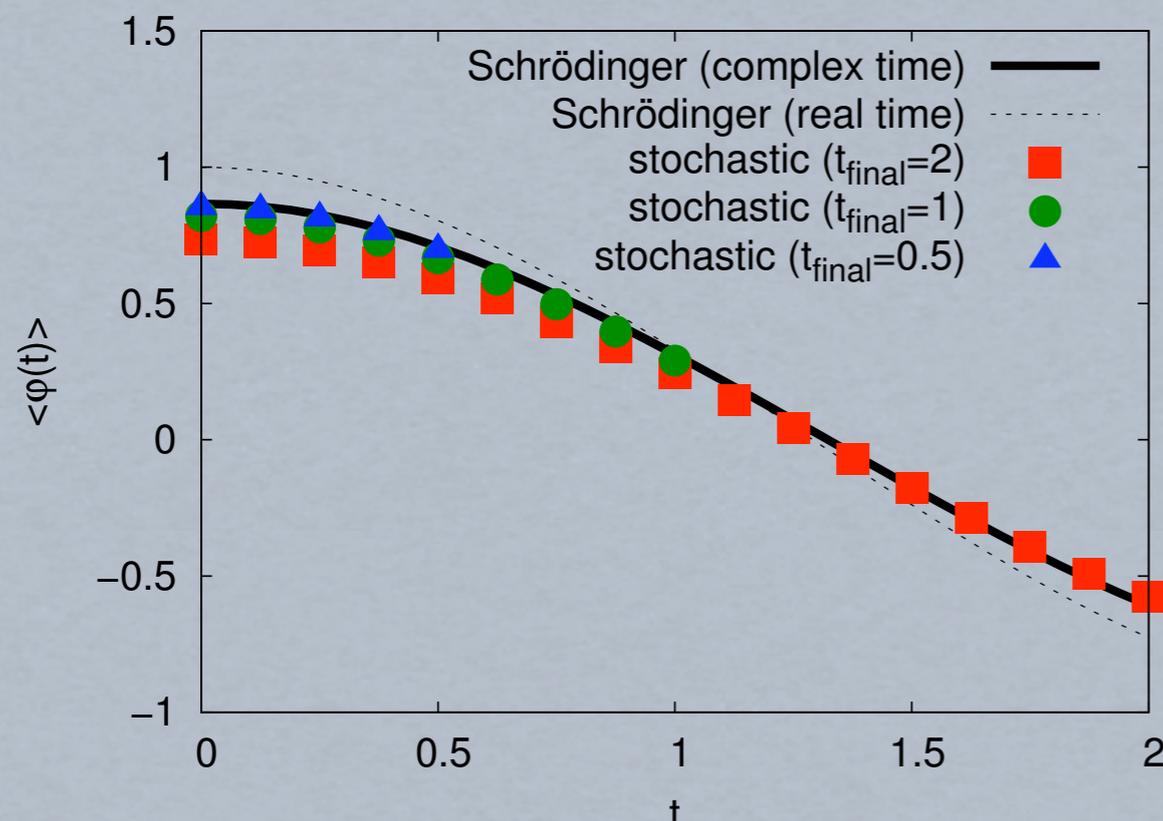
Use the action with complex Δt ,
with two branches
and with $\hat{\rho}$ being part of the action.



Comparison with Schrödinger's equation:

$$\langle x(t) \rangle$$

$$\langle x(t)x(t) \rangle_c$$

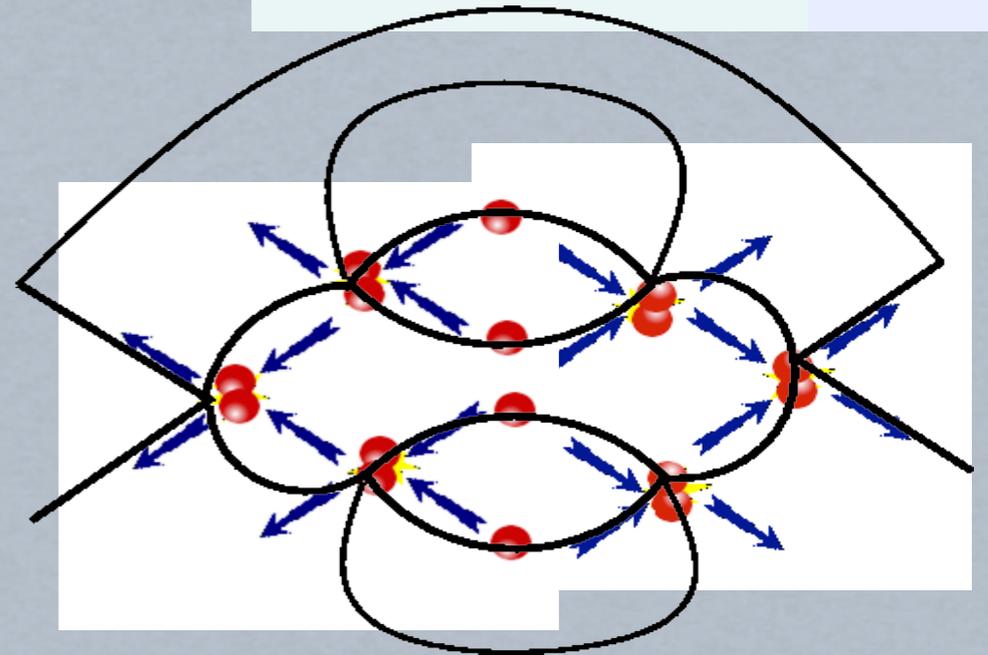
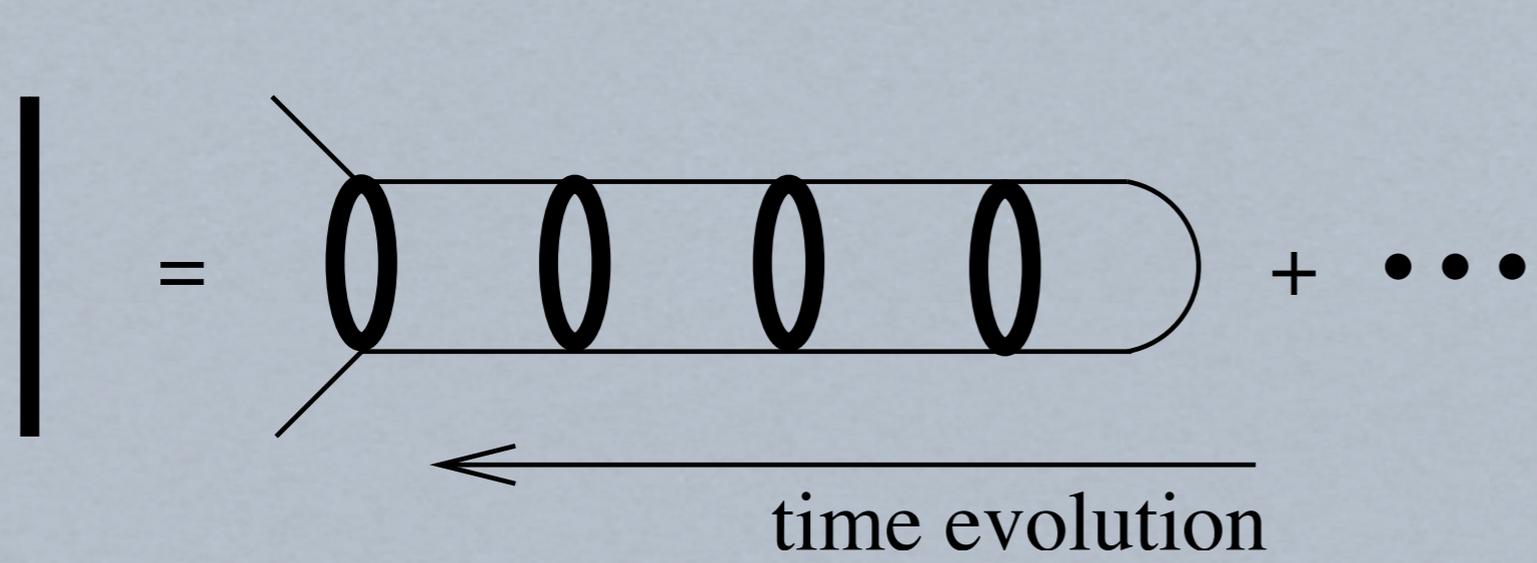
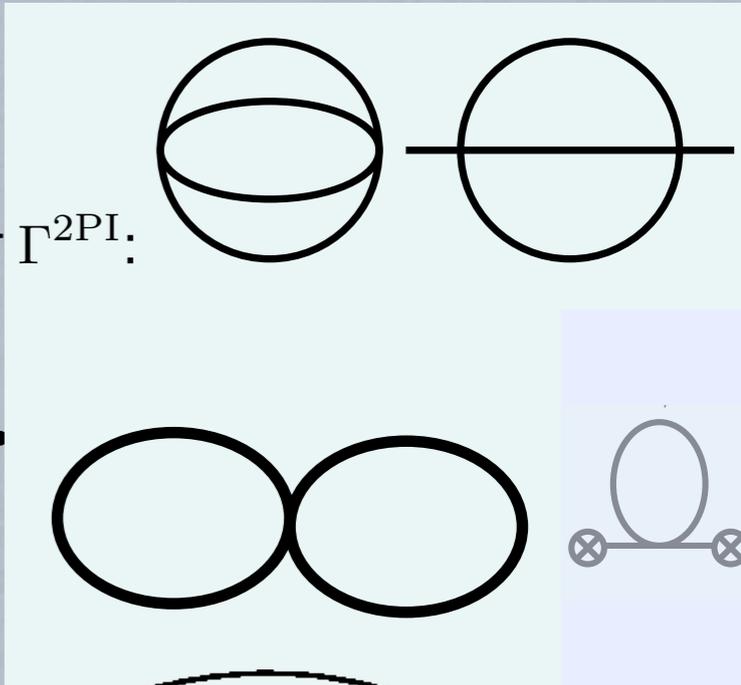


Challenge: Is the solution unique?

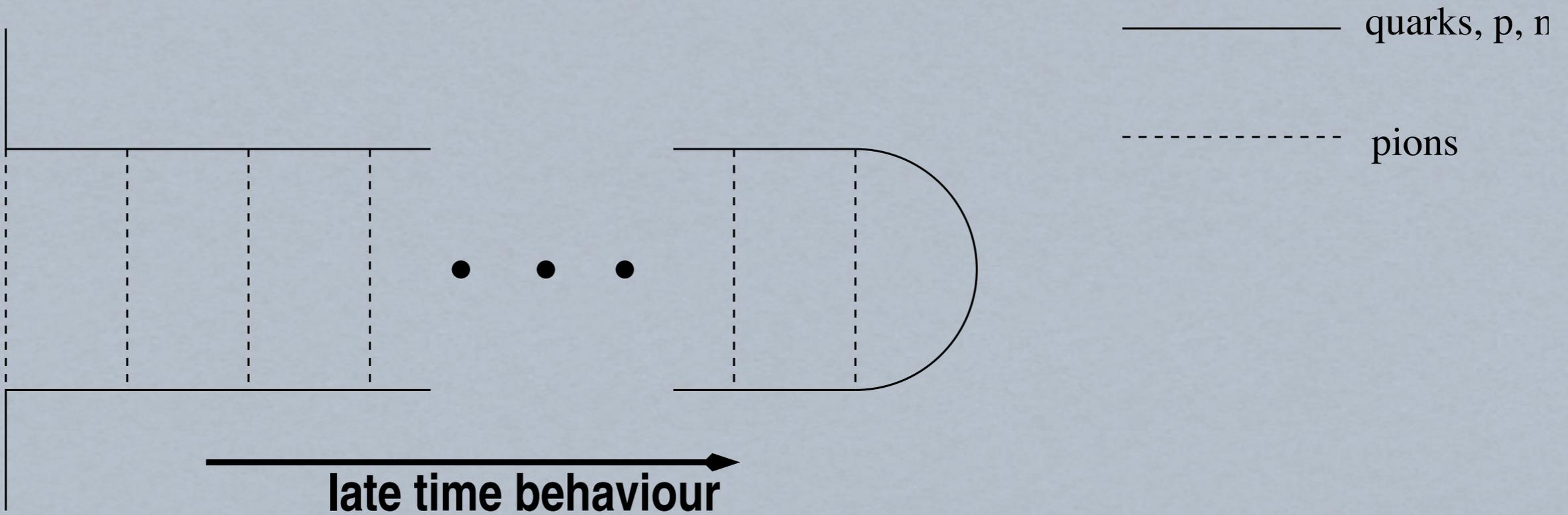
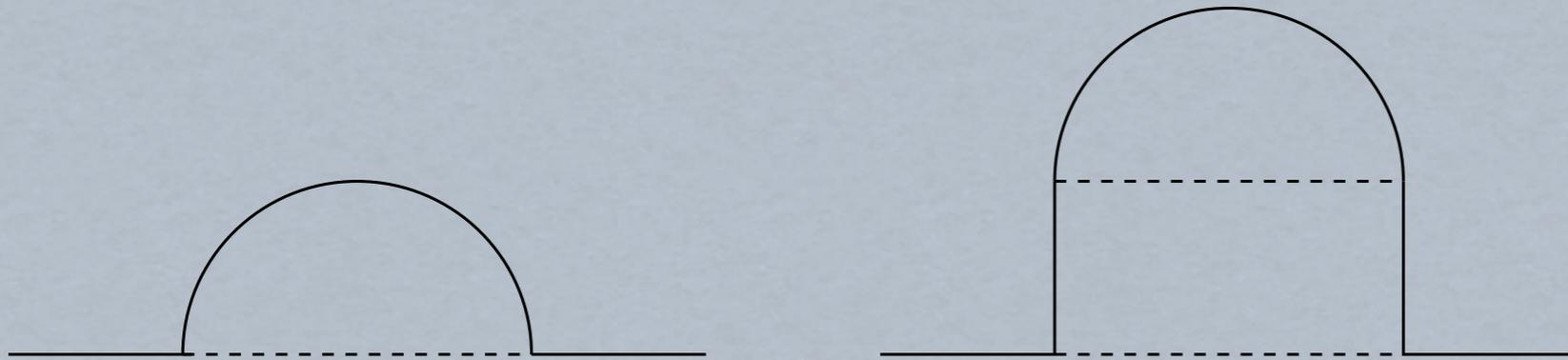
*Berges, S.B,
Stamatescu,
Sexty 2005-...*

A diagrammatic approach: the 2PI resummation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{---} \circlearrowleft \Sigma \text{---} &= \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \times \\ | \\ \times \end{array} \text{---} + \text{---} \bigcirc \text{---} + \text{---} \begin{array}{c} \times \quad \times \\ \diagdown \quad / \\ \bigcirc \end{array} \text{---} + \text{---} \ominus \text{---} \\
 \text{---} \mathbf{G} \text{---} &= \text{---} \mathbf{G}_0 \text{---} + \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} + \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$



... or in a Yukawa theory:



The 2PI effective action

$$Z[J, K] = \int \prod_{c=1}^N \mathcal{D}\varphi_c(x) \exp\left(i \int_{\mathcal{C}} d^4x [\mathcal{L}(x) + J_a(x) \varphi_a(x)] + \frac{i}{2} \int_{\mathcal{C}} d^4x \int_{\mathcal{C}} d^4y [\varphi_a(x) K_{ab}(x, y) \varphi_b(y)]\right),$$

1st Legendre transform: effective action (1PI diagrams)

2nd Legendre transform: 2PI effective action (2PI diagrams)

$$W[J, K] = -i \log(Z[J, K]) \quad \delta W[J, K]/\delta J = \phi \quad \delta W[J, K]/\delta K = (\phi^2 - G)/2$$

$$\Gamma[\phi, G] = W[J, K] - \int_{\mathcal{C}} d^4x [J_a(x) \phi_a(x)]$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathcal{C}} d^4x \int_{\mathcal{C}} d^4y \left[G_{ab}(x, y) K_{ab}(x, y) + \phi_a(x) K_{ab}(x, y) \phi_b(y) \right]$$

**Result: ladder resummation,
no overcounting**

*Cornwall, Jackiw, Tomboulis 1974,
Calzetta, Hu 1988;
Ivanov, Knoll, Voskresensky 1988
Cooper et al (2PI, BVA) 2000*

Equations of Motion

are the stationarity conditions:

$$(a) \quad \frac{\delta\Gamma[\phi, G]}{\delta\phi_a(x)} = -J_a(x) - \int_{\mathcal{C}} d^4y [K_{ab}(x, y) \phi_b(y)] \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{\delta\Gamma[\phi, G]}{\delta G_{ab}(x, y)} = -\frac{1}{2}K_{ab}(x, y) \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad G_{ab}(x, y; \phi) = \langle \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{C}} \hat{\phi}(x) \hat{\phi}(y) \rangle_{\mathcal{C}}$$

Decomposition:

$$\Gamma_b[\phi, G] = S[\phi] + \frac{i}{2} \text{tr}_{\mathcal{C}} [\log [G^{-1}]] + \frac{i}{2} \text{tr}_{\mathcal{C}} [G_0^{-1} G] + \Gamma_{\text{int}}[\phi, G] + \text{const}$$

$$\Gamma_f[\psi, D] = S[\psi] - i \text{tr}_{\mathcal{C}} [\log [D^{-1}]] - i \text{tr}_{\mathcal{C}} [D_0^{-1} D] + \Gamma_{\text{int}}[\psi, D] + \text{const}$$

With

$$\Sigma_f(x, y) \equiv 2i \frac{\delta\Gamma_{\text{int}}[G]}{\delta G(y, x)} \quad \Sigma_s(x, y) \equiv -i \frac{\delta\Gamma_{\text{int}}[D]}{\delta D(y, x)}$$

$$(\partial_x^2 + m^2)G_{ab}(x, y) = \int_{\mathcal{C}} d^4z \Sigma_{ab}(x, z; G, D) G_{bc}(z, y) + \delta_{\mathcal{C}}(x, y) \delta_{ab},$$

$$(\not{\partial}_x + im_f)D_{ij}(x, y) = \int_{\mathcal{C}} d^4z \Sigma_{ik}(x, z; G, D) D_{kj}(z, y) + \delta_{\mathcal{C}}^4(x, y) \delta_{ij}$$

← equivalent to Kadanoff–Baym equations

EoM: in terms of real time propagators:

$$F_{ij}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} (G_{ij}^>(x, y) + G_{ij}^<(x, y))$$

$$\rho_{ij}(x, y) = i (G_{ij}^>(x, y) - G_{ij}^<(x, y)),$$

(or with opposite signs for the fermions)

For fermionic fields:

$$(i\partial - m - \Sigma_0) F(x, y) = \int_{x_0}^{x_0} dz \Sigma^\rho(x, z) F(z, y) - \int_{y_0}^{y_0} dz \Sigma^F(x, z) \rho(z, y)$$

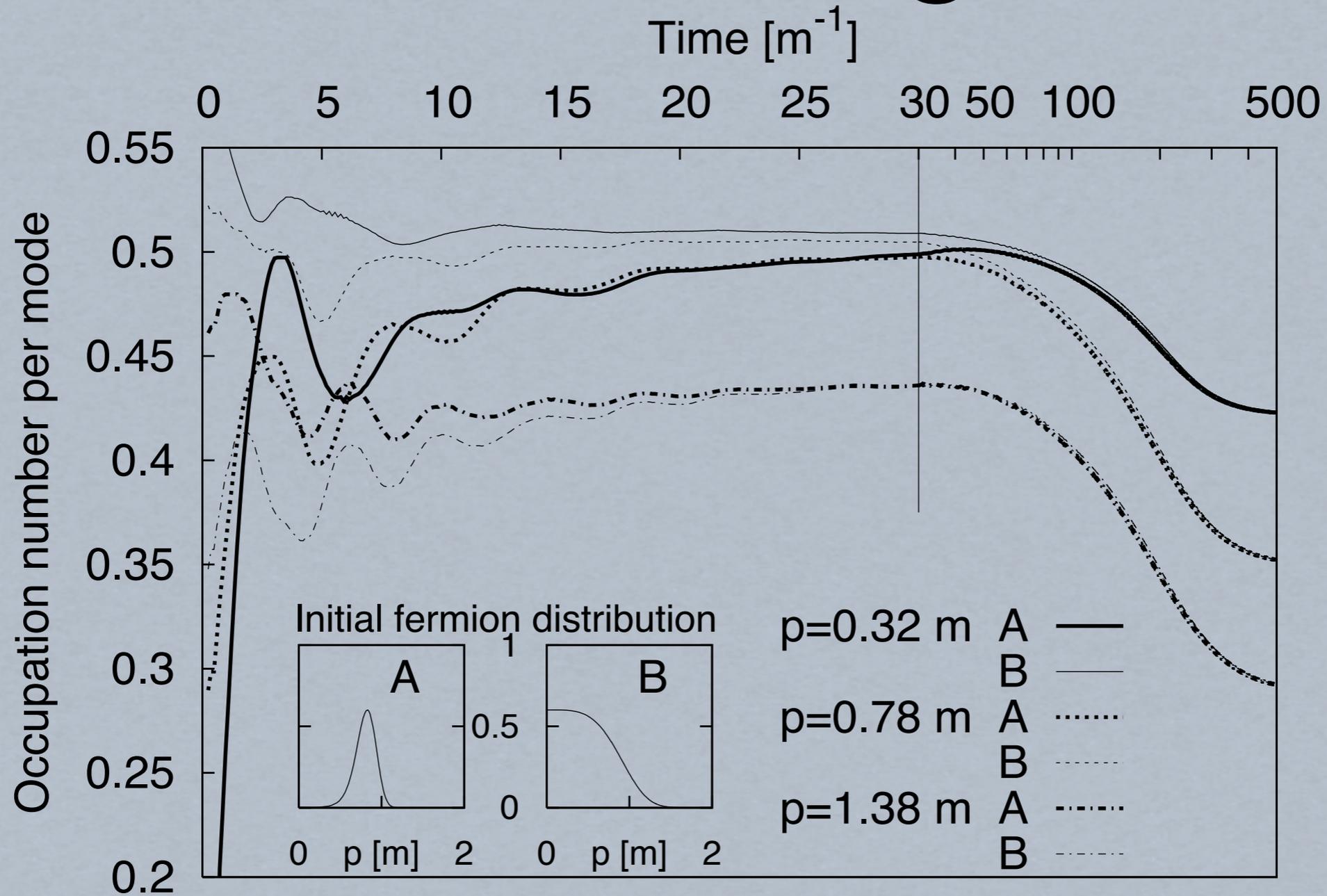
$$(i\partial - m - \Sigma_0) \rho(x, y) = \int_{y_0}^{x_0} dz \Sigma^\rho(x, z) \rho(z, y)$$

For scalar fields:

$$\left(\partial_x^2 + m^2 + \Sigma_{0,i}(x)\right) F_{ij}(x, y) = \int_{y_0}^{y_0} dz \Sigma_{ik}^F(x, z) \rho_{kj}(z, y) - \int_{x_0}^{x_0} dz \Sigma_{ik}^\rho(x, z) F_{kj}(z, y)$$

$$\left(\partial_x^2 + m^2 + \Sigma_{0,i}(x)\right) \rho_{ij}(x, y) = \int_{x_0}^{y_0} dz \Sigma_{ik}^\rho(x, z) \rho_{kj}(z, y)$$

Timescales of losing information



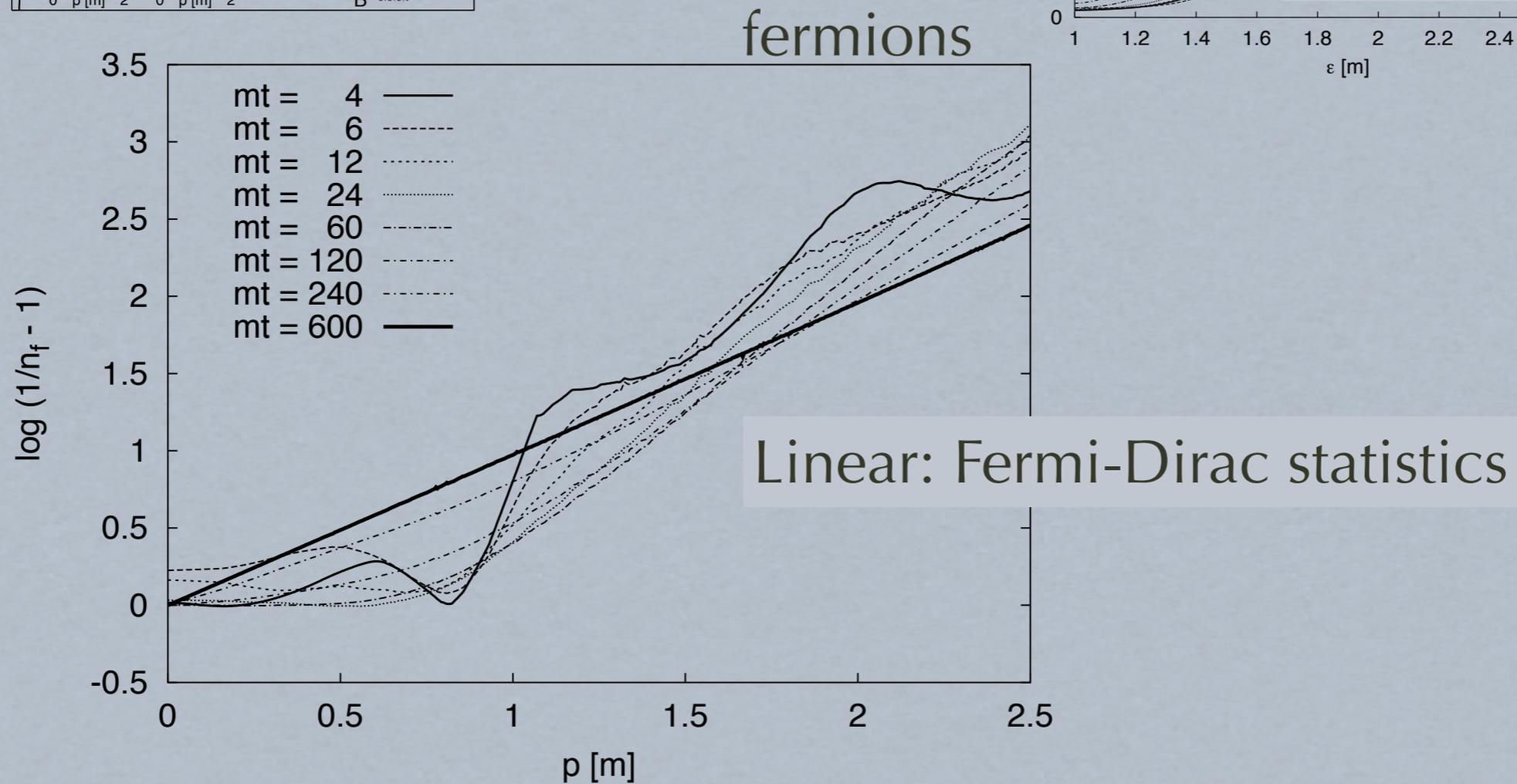
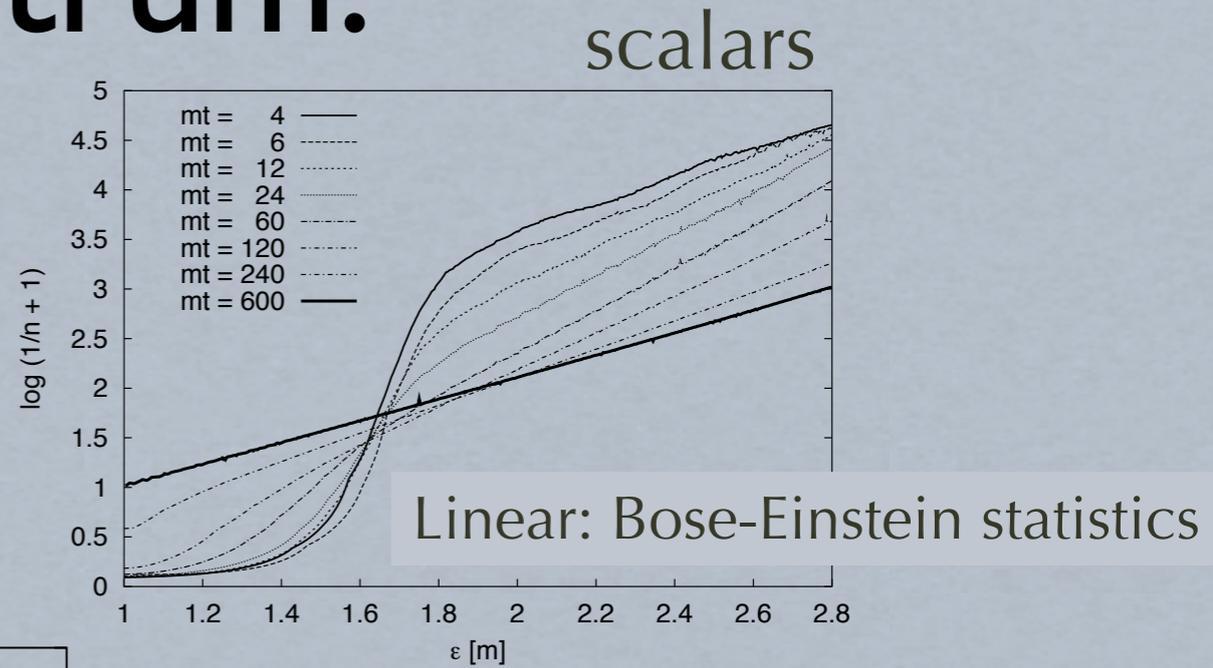
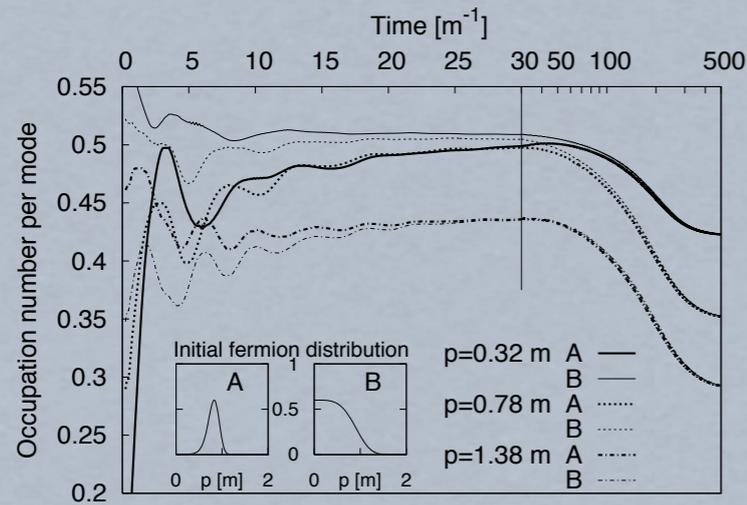
Prethermalisation

Damping,
isotropisation

Equilibration

*Berges, SB, Serreau,
Wetterich 2003/4*

evolution of the spectrum:



A growing number of studies...

Scalars:

1+1 dim: Cox&Berges2000, Aarts&Berges2001,2002 (vs exact, vs classical)

Blagoev&Cooper&Dawson&Mihaila 2001 (BVA)

Berges 2002 ($O(N)$ resummation)

Gasenzer&Pawlowski 2007 (an RG approach)

2+1 dim: Juhem&Cassing&Greinen 2001 (vs transport)

3+1 dim: Danielewicz 1984 (nonrelativistic, vs. kinetic theory)

Berges&Borsanyi 2005 (isotropisation, vs. transport theory)

Muller&Lindner 2005 (vs. kinetic theory)

Berges&Serreau 2002 (parametric resonance)

Tranberg&Arrizabalaga&Smit 2004,2005 (bg field, tachionic instability)

Tranberg&Rajantie 2006 (looking for defects)

Aarts&Tranberg 2008 (inflationary)

Yukawa:

3+1 dim: Berges&Borsanyi&Serreau/Wetterich 2003

Muller&Lindner 2007 (vs. kinetic theory)

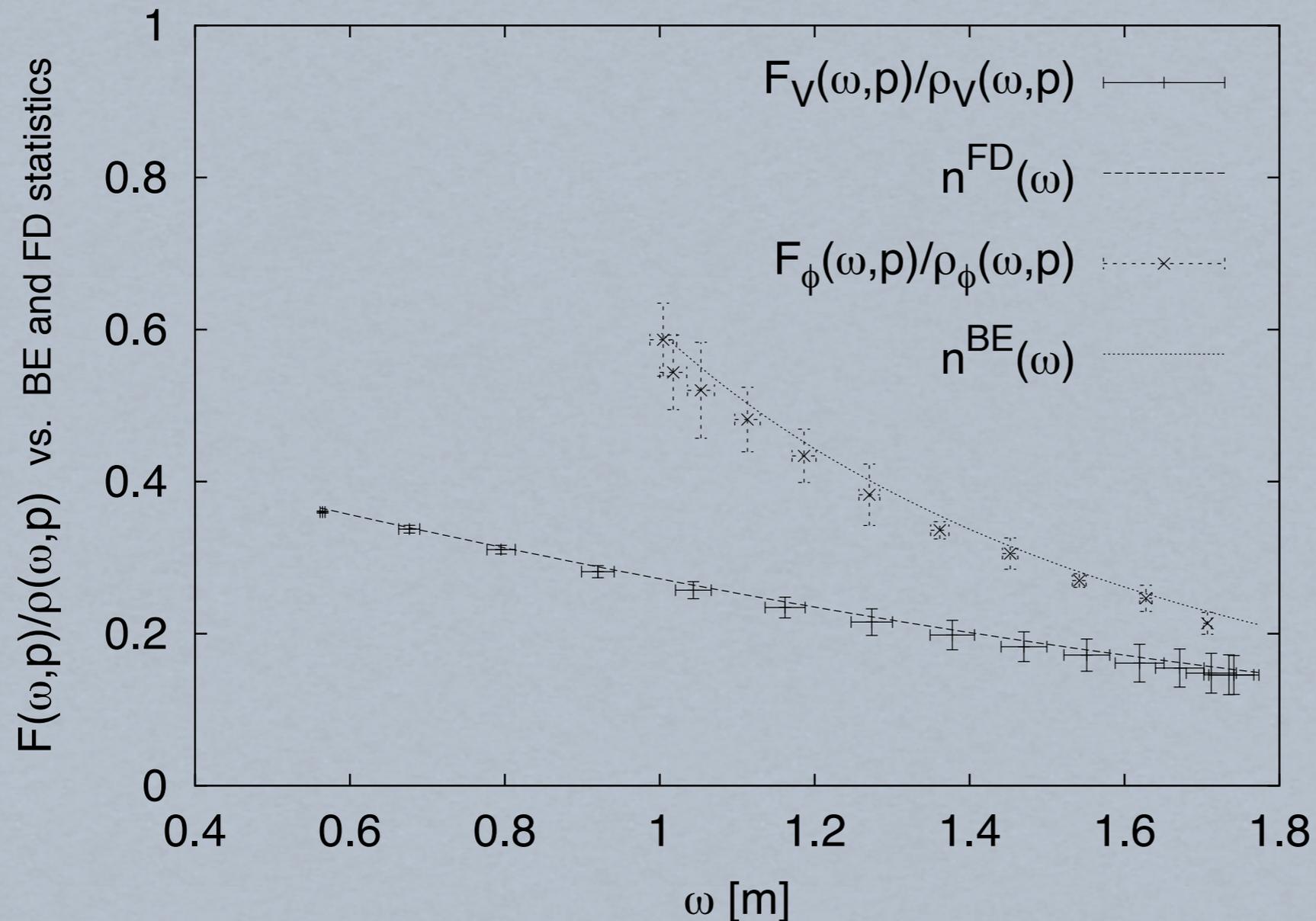
Cold atoms:

1+1 dim: Berges&Gasenzer(&Seco&Schmidt) 2005,2007 (vs classical)

Gasenzer&Temme 2008 (inhomogeneous)

Braunschadel&Gasenzer 2008 (vs. transport)

The final state



The propagators become stationary,
and the KMS condition becomes valid.

KMS condition:

$$G^>(\omega) = e^{\beta\omega} G^<(\omega)$$

$$F(\omega) = -i\left(\frac{1}{2} + n_B(\omega)\right)\rho(\omega)$$

↓
particle
number

Boltzmann equation
(if n is time dependent)

Before equilibration:
F and ρ are related
through $n(t,\omega)$.

*Berges,SB,Serreau 2003,
SB 2004*

What is the stationary solution?

from analytics

$$\begin{aligned}(-p_0^2 + \omega_p^2) \tilde{F}(p) &= \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{\tilde{\Sigma}^F(p) \tilde{\rho}(\omega; \vec{p})}{i(p_0 - \omega - i\epsilon)} + \frac{\tilde{\Sigma}^\rho(\omega; \vec{p}) \tilde{F}(p)}{i(p_0 - \omega + i\epsilon)} \right] \\(-p_0^2 + \omega_p^2) \tilde{\rho}(p) &= \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \left[\frac{\tilde{\Sigma}^\rho(p) \tilde{\rho}(\omega; \vec{p})}{i(p_0 - \omega - i\epsilon)} + \frac{\tilde{\Sigma}^\rho(\omega; \vec{p}) \tilde{\rho}(p)}{i(p_0 - \omega + i\epsilon)} \right]\end{aligned}$$

If $\tilde{F}(\omega) = -i \left(\frac{1}{2} + n_{BE}(\omega) \right) \tilde{\rho}(\omega) \longrightarrow \tilde{\Sigma}^F(\omega) = -i \left(\frac{1}{2} + n_{BE}(\omega) \right) \tilde{\Sigma}^\rho(\omega)$

then the two equations are equivalent.

There is a stationary solution that satisfies KMS.

This means late time thermalisation (if $\Sigma^{F/\rho} \neq 0$)

The sunset diagram (2→2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Sigma^<(\omega, \vec{x}) &= -\frac{\lambda^2}{6} \int \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_2}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_3}{2\pi} \delta(\omega - \omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega_3) \\
 &\quad G^<(\omega_1, \vec{x}) G^<(\omega_2, \vec{x}) G^<(\omega_3, \vec{x}) \\
 &= -\frac{\lambda^2}{6} \int \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_2}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_3}{2\pi} \delta(\omega - \omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega_3) e^{-\beta\omega_1 - \beta\omega_2 - \beta\omega_3} \\
 &\quad G^<(-\omega_1, \vec{x}) G^<(-\omega_2, \vec{x}) G^<(-\omega_3, \vec{x}) \\
 &= -\frac{\lambda^2}{6} \int \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_2}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_3}{2\pi} \delta(\omega - \omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega_3) e^{-\beta\omega} \\
 &\quad G^<(-\omega_1, \vec{x}) G^<(-\omega_2, \vec{x}) G^<(-\omega_3, \vec{x}) \\
 &= -\frac{\lambda^2}{6} \int \frac{d\omega_1}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_2}{2\pi} \frac{d\omega_3}{2\pi} \delta(-\omega - \omega_1 - \omega_2 - \omega_3) e^{-\beta\omega} \\
 &\quad G^<(\omega_1, \vec{x}) G^<(\omega_2, \vec{x}) G^<(\omega_3, \vec{x}) \\
 &= \Sigma^<(-\omega, \vec{x}) e^{-\beta\omega}
 \end{aligned}$$

(similar argument for any two-loop diagram)

The self energy inherits the KMS condition from G .

What we see in numerics is a genuine thermalisation.

?

Late time is equilibrium

Euclidean

$$G_E(\tau; \vec{p}) = \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \tilde{G}^<(\omega, \vec{p}) e^{\tau\omega} \quad \text{and} \quad (-\partial_\tau^2 + \omega_p^2) G_E(\tau) - \delta(\tau) = - \int d\tau' \Sigma_E(\tau - \tau') G_E(\tau').$$

$$\Sigma_E(\tau; \vec{p}) = \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \tilde{\Sigma}^<(\omega, \vec{p}) e^{\tau\omega}.$$

is equivalent to

late time

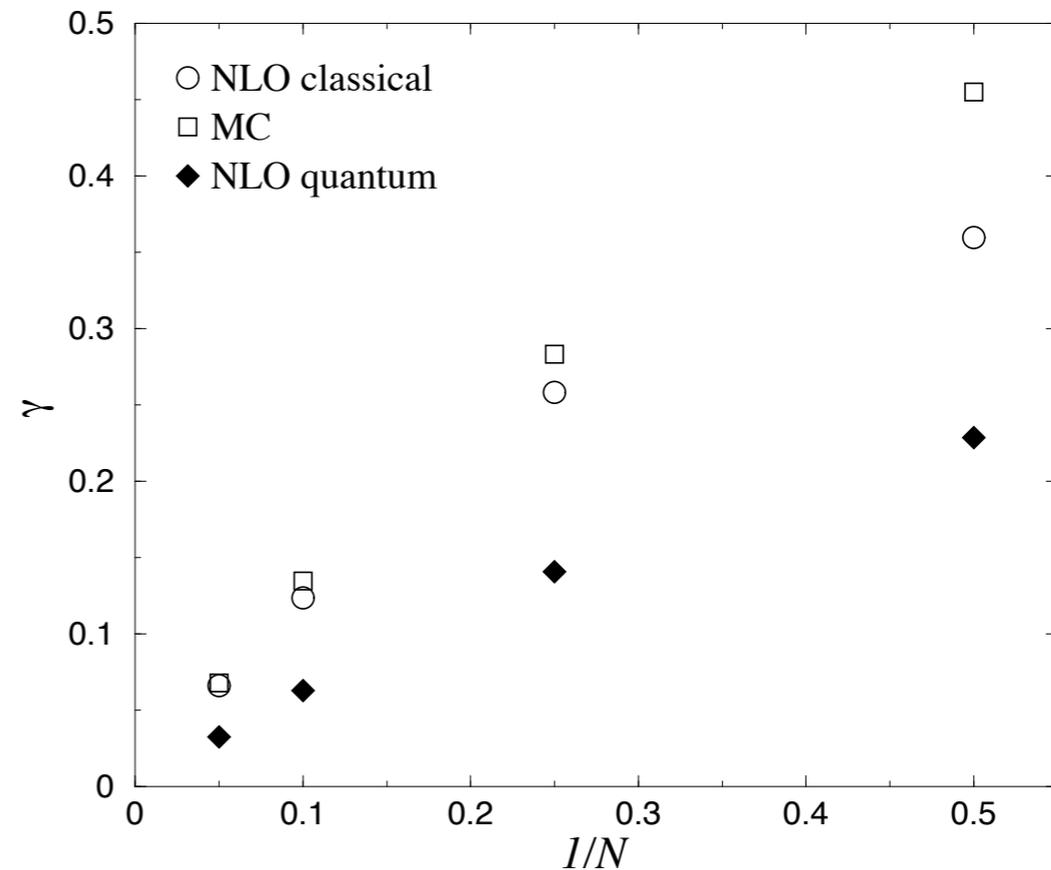
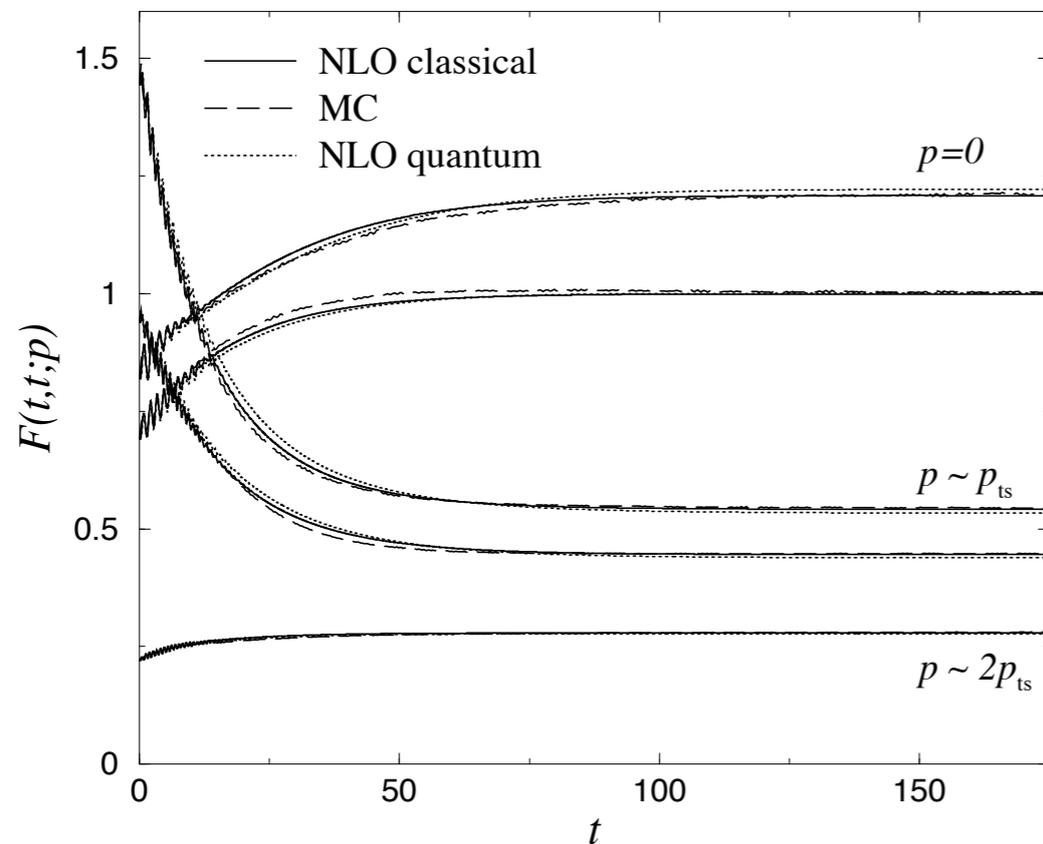
$$\tilde{F}(\omega) = -i \left(\frac{1}{2} + n_{BE}(\omega) \right) \tilde{\rho}(\omega) \quad \text{and} \quad (\partial_x^2 + m^2 + \Sigma_0) \rho(x) = - \int_0^{x_0} dz^4 \Sigma^\rho(x - z) \rho(z)$$

$$\left. \frac{d\rho(t)}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = 1$$



Should we believe the dynamics?

Classical 2PI vs classical simulation.



I+I d, $O(N)$ NLO

Aarts, Berges 2001

Yes. In most cases.

(Small enough expansion parameter \Rightarrow exact dynamics)

Topological defects: counterexample!

Rajantie & Tranberg 2006

Suppose you buy 2PI...

What should we think about other approaches?

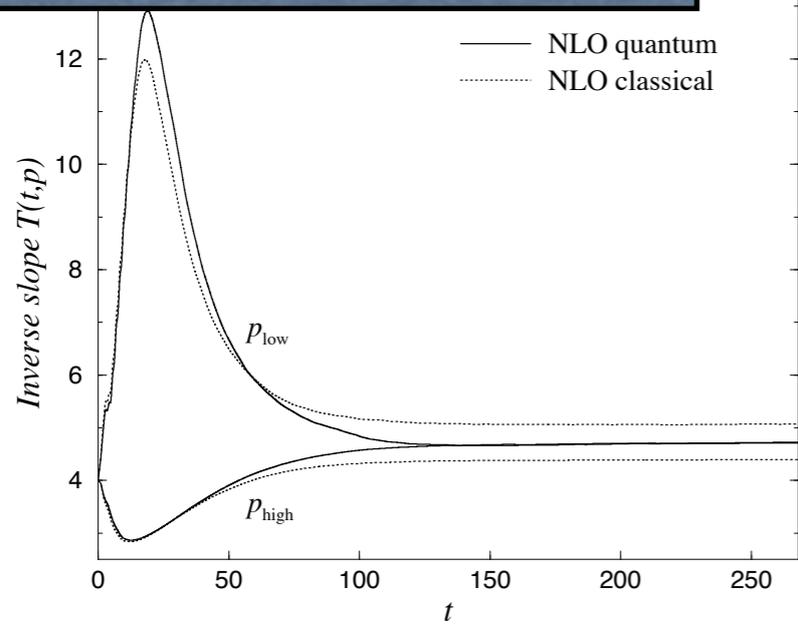
Classical statistical field theory

Most modelling of Early Universe fields is based on classical methods: preheating, defects

Do we have a classical - quantum comparison?

Classical vs quantum

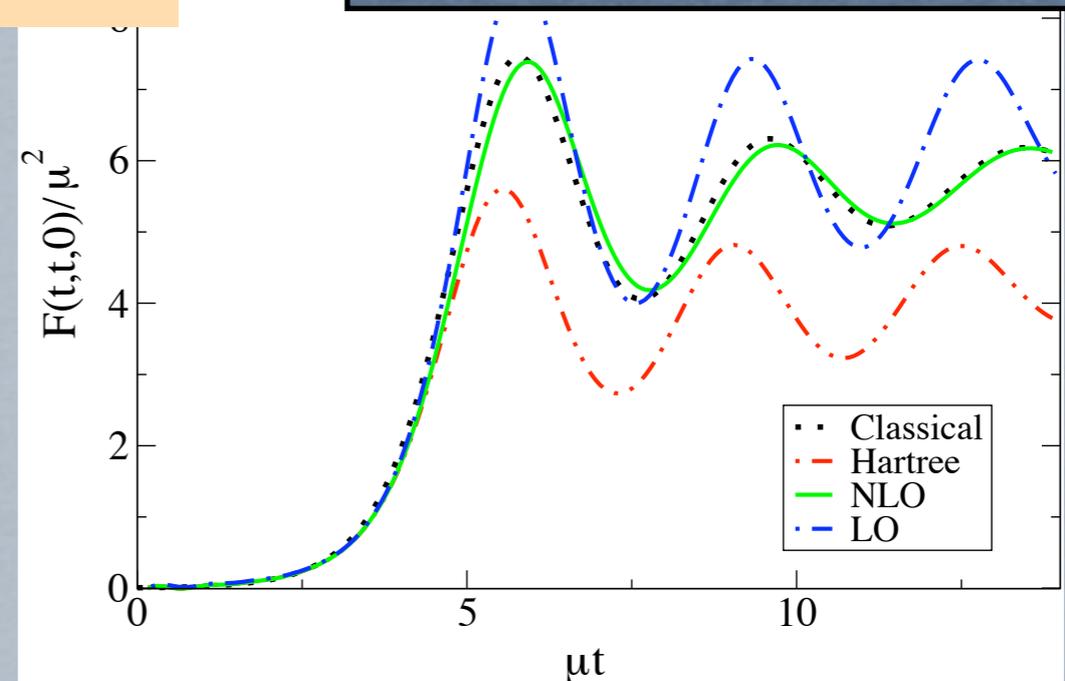
high occupancy



Aarts, Berges 2001

$O(N)$ NLO

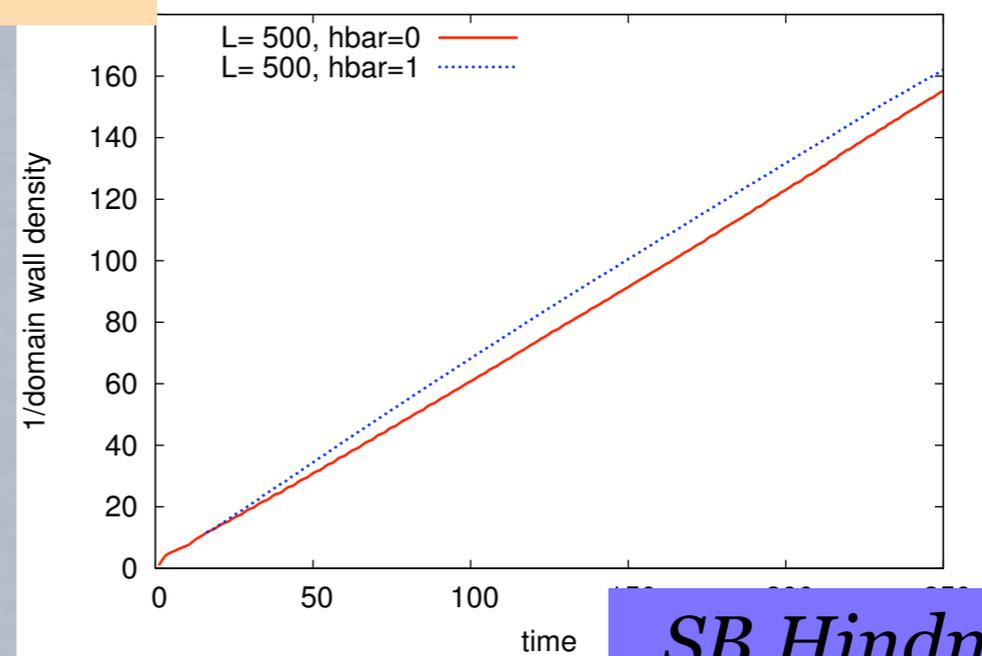
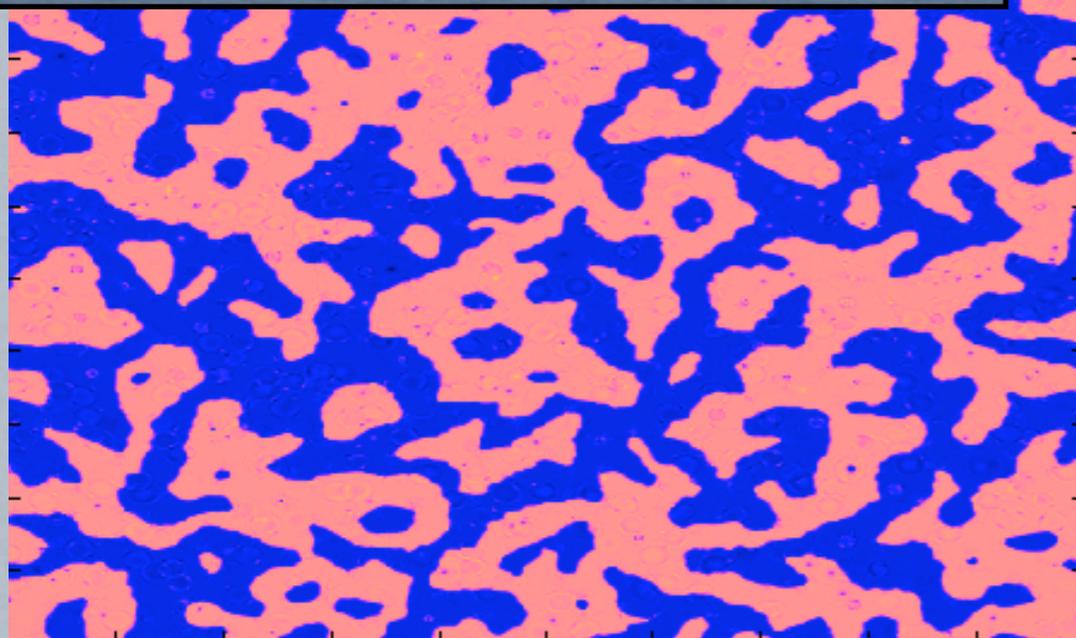
tachyonic preheating



Arrizabalaga, Smit, Tranberg 2004

Defects, low occupancy

Z_2 , LO



SB, Hindmarsh 2007

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Most modelling of Early Universe fields is based on classical methods: preheating, defects

Do we have a classical - quantum comparison?

Transport theory

Boltzmann eq does the same resummations as 2PI.

Calzetta, Hu 1988

$$2p^\mu \partial_\mu^x i\bar{G}^{\lessgtr} - \{ \bar{\Sigma}^\delta + \text{Re } \bar{\Sigma}^R, i\bar{G}^{\lessgtr} \} - \{ i\bar{\Sigma}^{\lessgtr}, \text{Re } \bar{G}^R \} = i\bar{\Sigma}^< i\bar{G}^> - i\bar{\Sigma}^> i\bar{G}^<$$

NLO

Lowest Order

Lowest order: 2-to-2 scattering (scalar & setting-sur)

Particle number conservation

Muller, Lindner 2005

2PI equations

gradient
expansion

LO or
NLO?

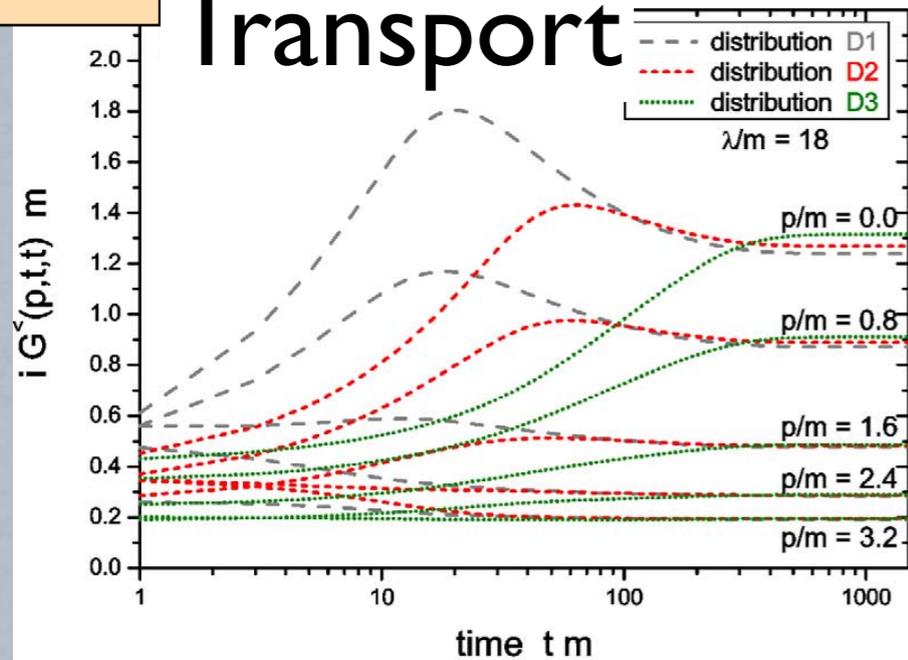
Transport eq.

NLO Transport vs 2PI

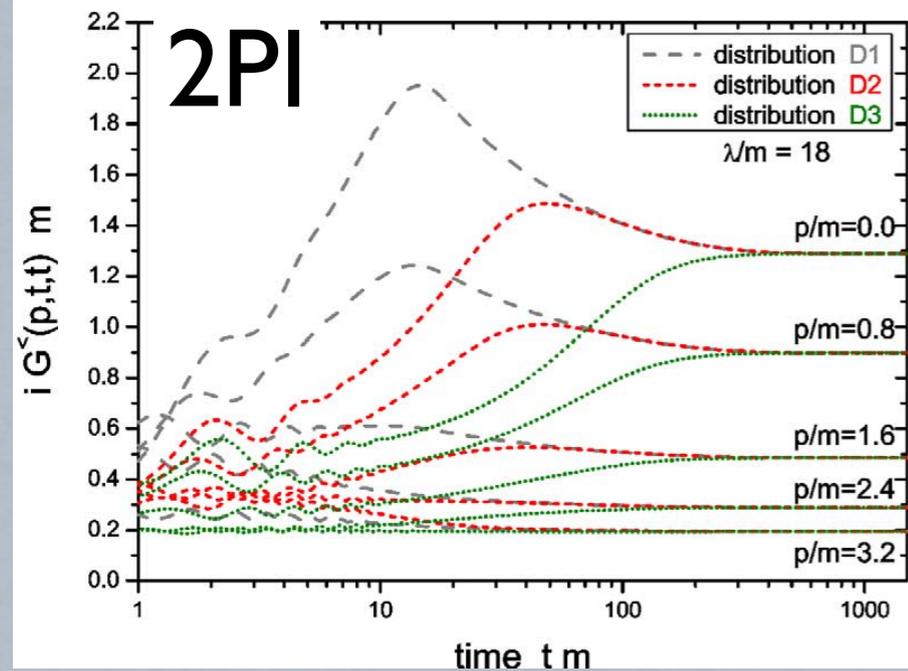
2+1 d

S. Juchem et al. / Nuclear Physics A 743 (2004) 92–126

Transport

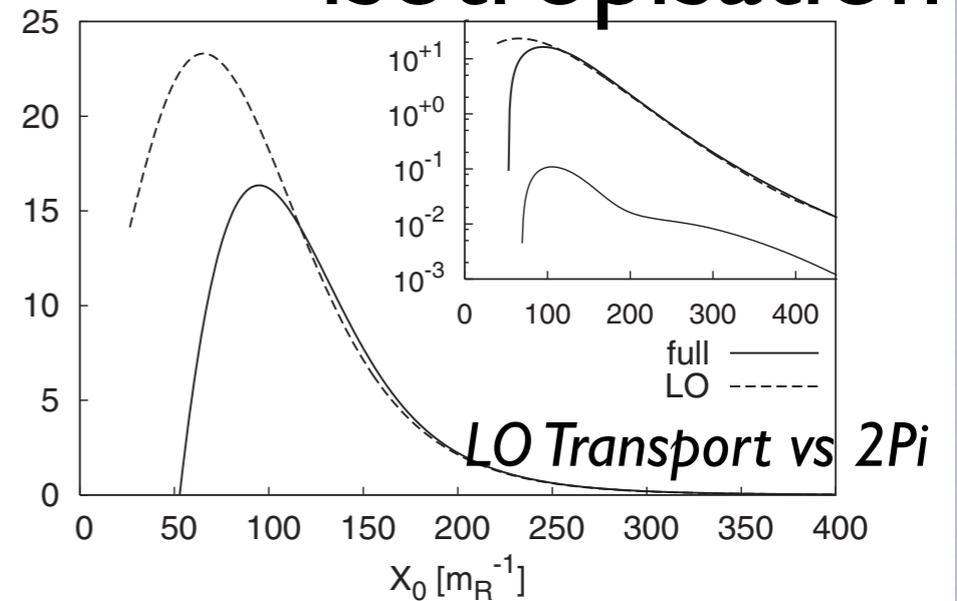


2PI

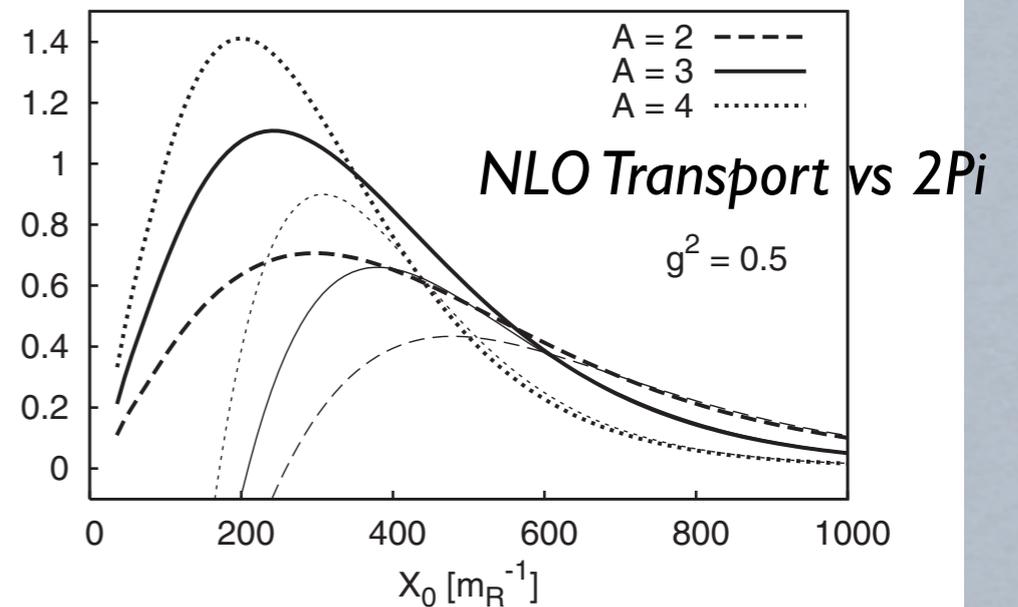


3+1 d

isotropisation



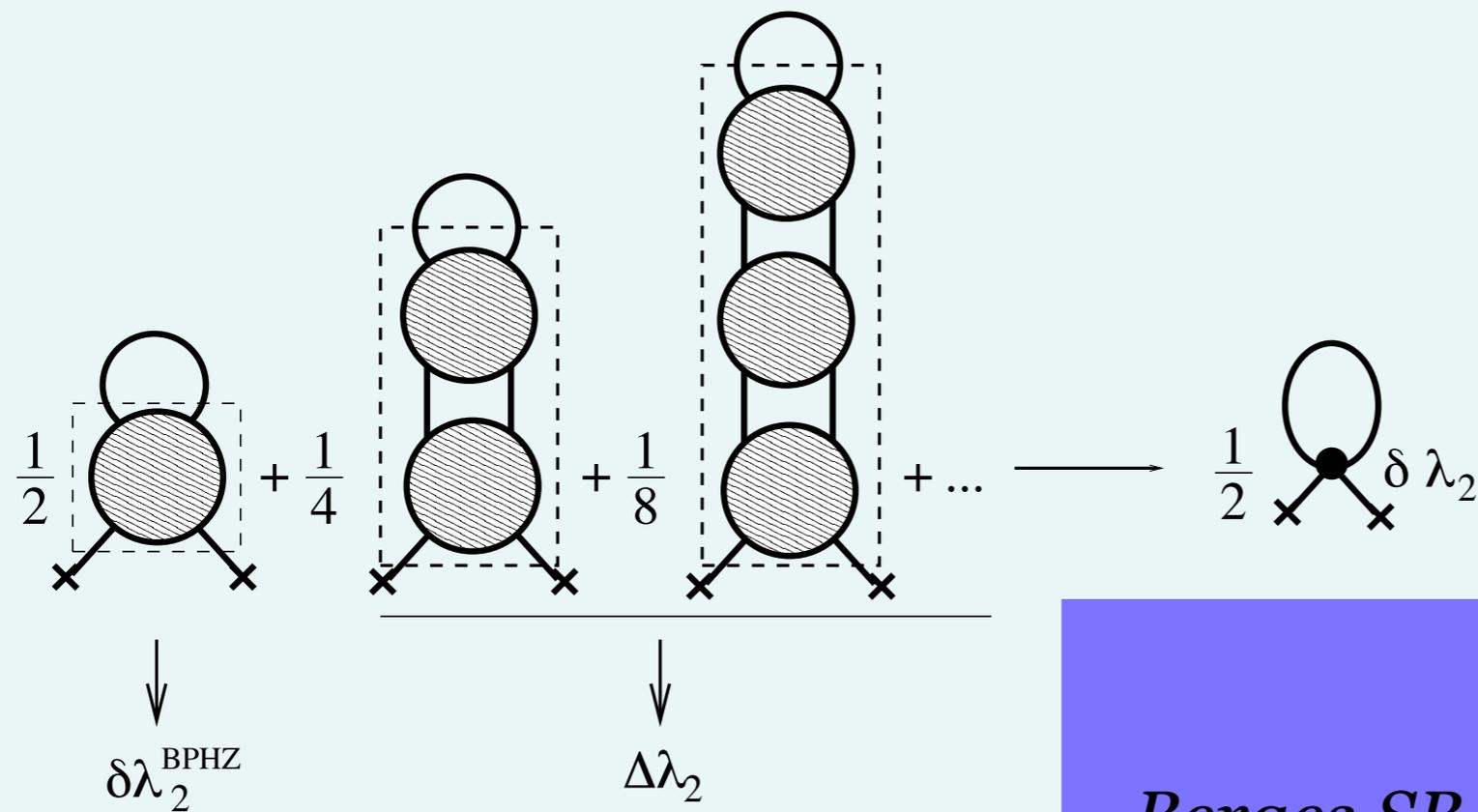
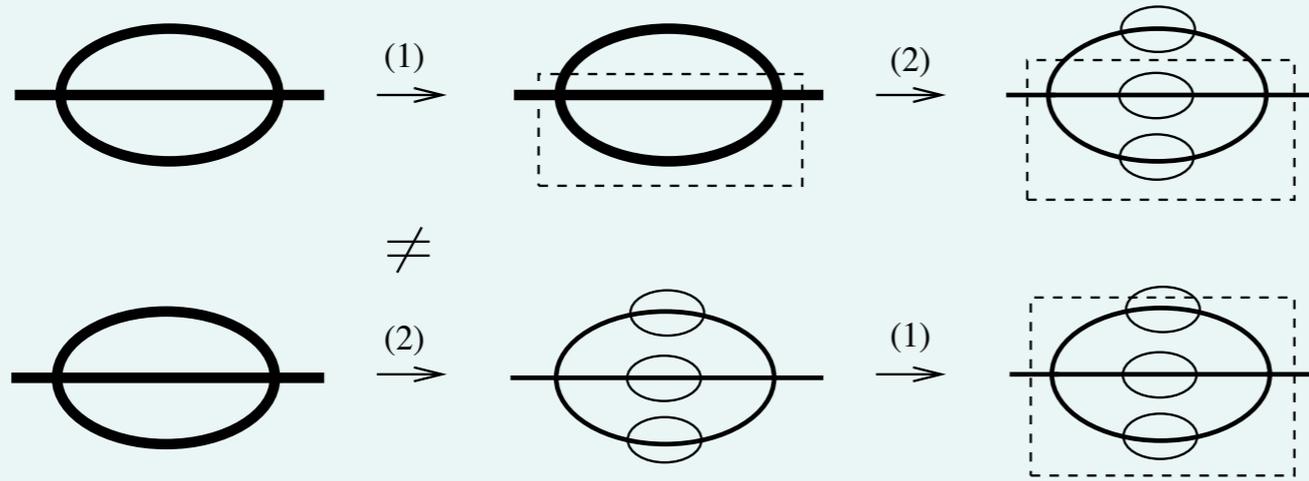
thermalisation



Juchem, Cassing, Greiner 2004

Berges, SB 2005

How to renormalize?



van Hees, Knoll 2001
Blaizot, Iancu, Reinoso 2003
Berges, SB, Reinoso, Serreau 2004, 2005
Cooper, Mihaila, Dawson 2004, 2006

the Bethe-Salpeter equation

A diagrammatic equation for the four-point function V . On the left is a circle with a 'V' inside and four external lines. This is equal to a circle with a '^' inside and four external lines, plus a circle with a '^' inside and two external lines, connected to a circle with a 'V' inside and two external lines.

$$\Lambda = 4 \frac{\delta^2 \Gamma_2[G, \Phi]}{\delta G \delta G}$$

implements a one-channel resummation of the four-point function.

This is the *same resummation* as in the 2-point equation.

Renormalisation of this 4-point equation removes all sub-divergences from the 2-point equation.

Renormalization: the lazy way

Renormalize at T_1 and T_2 independently $G^{-1} = G_0^{-1} - \Sigma$

The renormalization condition for Σ fixes $\delta m^2 + \delta\lambda \underline{\mathcal{Q}}$, but not δm^2 and $\delta\lambda$ individually

keep $\delta\lambda_1 = 0$ $\delta\lambda_2 = 0$ and obtain δm_1 , δm_2 and the divergent tadpoles

$$\begin{aligned}\delta m_1^2 &= m_T^2(T_1) + \delta m^2 + \delta\lambda \underline{\mathcal{Q}}_1 \\ \delta m_2^2 &= m_T^2(T_2) + \delta m^2 + \delta\lambda \underline{\mathcal{Q}}_2\end{aligned}$$

2 equations,

2 unknowns: δm^2 $\delta\lambda$

Matching:

$$m_T^2(T) \sim \lambda_R T^2$$

Perturbative input: this defines the renormalized coupling.
Finiteness is not spoiled by the use of non-resummed input!

This realizes a renormalization condition like:

$$V|_{k^*} = \lambda_R + \mathcal{O}(\lambda_R^2)$$

(at leading order)

Instead of this one:

$$V|_{k^*} = \lambda_R$$

Proof of these statements: follows from the Bethe-Salpeter machinery

The 2PI propagator

The 2PI variational propagator: $\frac{\delta \Gamma_{2\text{PI}}[\Phi, G]}{\delta G(x, y)} = 0$

$G_{2\text{PI}}^{-1}[\Phi] = G_0^{-1}[\Phi] - \Sigma[\Phi, G]$ $\leftarrow \Sigma = 2i \frac{\delta \Gamma_2}{\delta G}$

Without truncation $G_{2\text{PI}}$ is the full propagator.

If we do truncate at some order:

In the $O(N)$ model $G_{2\text{PI}}$ is gapless to given order only

In QED $G_{2\text{PI}}$ is not transversal to given order only.

(This symmetry breaking effect appears at orders higher than the truncation of $\Gamma_{2\text{PI}}$)

Reason for the apparent failure: **only the s-channel was resummed**

or from the

standard effective action

At vanishing sources:

$$\Gamma_{2\text{PI}}[\Phi, G_{2\text{PI}}[\Phi]] = \Gamma[\Phi]$$

This is the resummed effective action (non-polynomial)

An alternative definition of the propagator:

$$G_{1\text{PI}}^{-1} = \frac{\delta^2 \Gamma[\Phi]}{\delta \Phi \delta \Phi} = \frac{\delta^2 \Gamma_{2\text{PI}}[\Phi, G_{2\text{PI}}[\Phi]]}{\delta \Phi^2}$$

$$G_{\text{proper}}^{-1} = \frac{\delta^2 \Gamma_{2\text{PI}}[\Phi, G_{2\text{PI}}[\Phi]]}{\delta \Phi_x \delta \Phi_y} = G_0^{-1} - 2 \frac{\delta^2 \Gamma_2}{\delta \Phi_x \delta \Phi_y} + \left[\text{diagram: } \Sigma' \text{ box} \text{---} \text{ box} \text{---} \text{ box} \text{---} \text{ box} \text{---} \text{ box} \right] + \left[\text{diagram: } \text{box} \text{---} \text{ box} \text{---} \text{ box} \text{---} \text{ box} \text{---} \text{ box} \right]$$

$$\Sigma' = \frac{\delta \Sigma}{\delta \Phi}$$

$$\Lambda = 4 \frac{\delta^2 \Gamma_2[G, \Phi]}{\delta G \delta G}$$

Bethe-Salpeter equation appears here naturally

$$\text{diagram: } \text{circle with } V \text{ inside} = \text{diagram: } \text{circle with } \wedge \text{ inside} + \text{diagram: } \text{circle with } \wedge \text{ inside} \text{---} \text{ circle with } V \text{ inside}$$

Four point function from 2PI

$$i\Gamma_{1234}^{(4)} = \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1} \\ \text{Diagram 2} \\ \text{Diagram 3} \\ \text{Diagram 4} \end{array}$$

The equation shows the four-point function $i\Gamma_{1234}^{(4)}$ as a sum of four diagrams. The first diagram is a circle with four external legs labeled 1, 2, 3, and 4. The second and third diagrams are circles with two external legs (1, 2 and 1, 3) and a shaded rectangular block with two external legs (3, 4 and 2, 4) connected to the bottom of the circle. The fourth diagram is a circle with two external legs (1, 3) and a shaded rectangular block with two external legs (2, 3) connected to the bottom of the circle. Each diagram is preceded by a coefficient: 1, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, and $\frac{1}{2}$ respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Diagram 2} &= \text{Diagram 1} + \frac{1}{2} \text{Diagram 3} \\ \text{Diagram 3} &= \text{Diagram 1} + \frac{1}{2} \text{Diagram 4} \end{aligned}$$

The first line shows the decomposition of the second diagram into the first diagram and half of the third diagram. The second line shows the decomposition of the third diagram into the first diagram and half of the fourth diagram.

All three channels are present

$$\text{Diagram 4} = \text{Diagram 1} + \frac{1}{2} \text{Diagram 4}$$

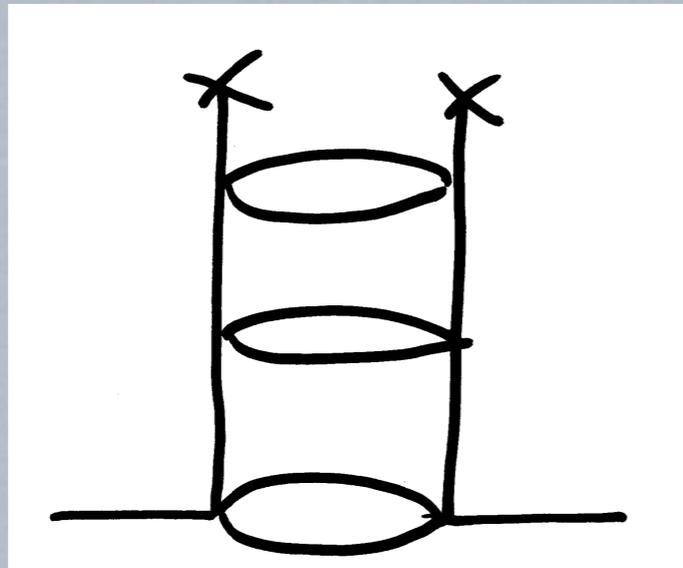
This equation shows the fourth diagram as the first diagram plus half of itself, representing the Bethe-Salpeter equation for that channel.

Bethe-Salpeter equation
resummation in one channel only

restoration of the

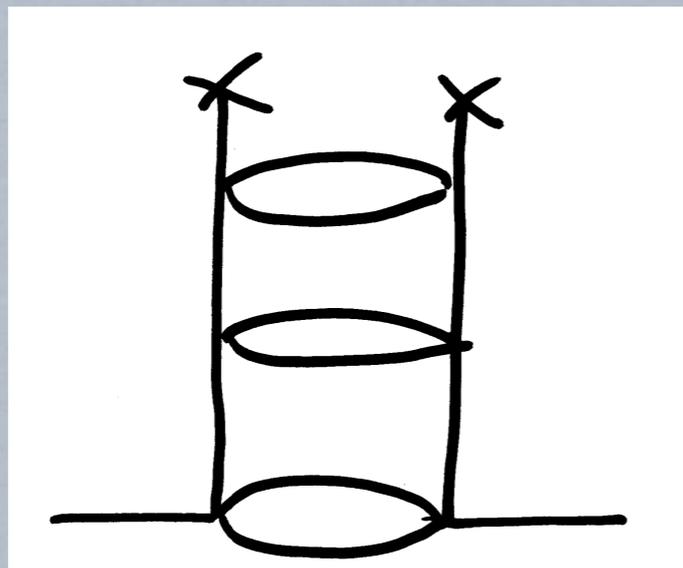
Goldstone theorem

G_{2PI} :



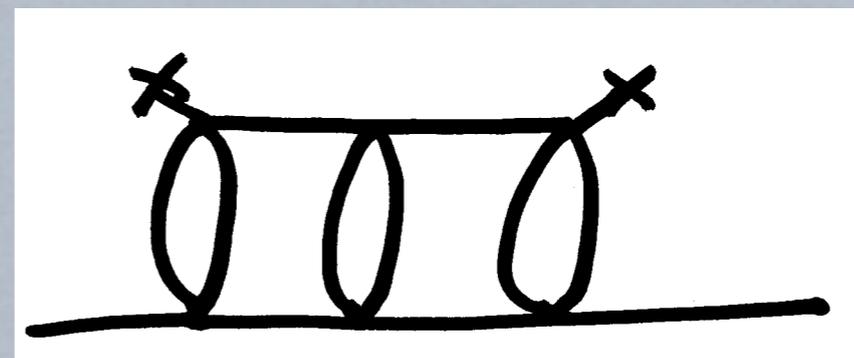
s channel only

G_{1PI} :



s+t+u channels

+

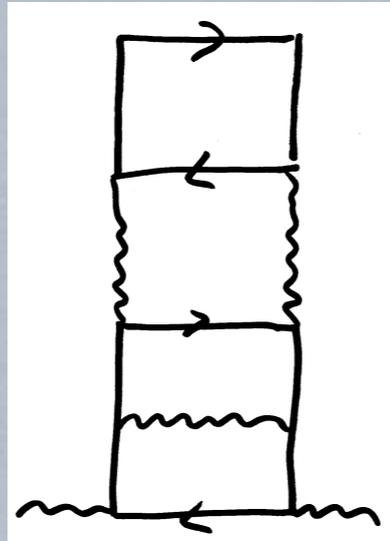


van Hees, Knoll 2001
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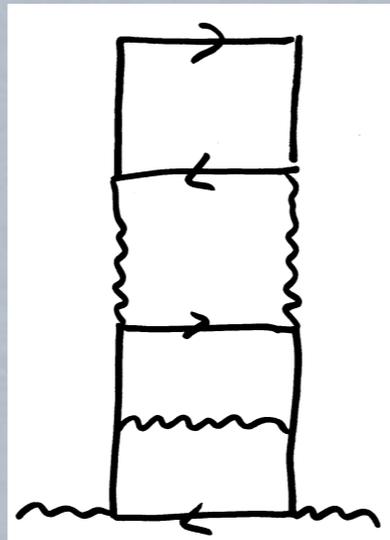
Ward identities

G_{2PI} :



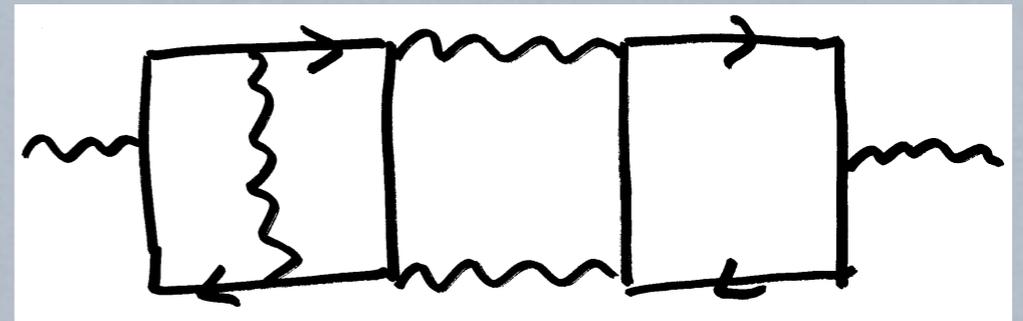
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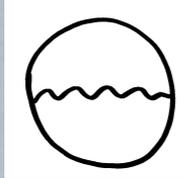


2PI effective action is just a means to ladder-resum the standard effective action

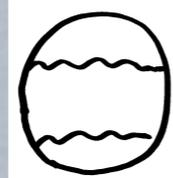
*Reinosa, Serreau 2006-7
Carrington, Kovalchuk 2007*

Can we do gauge fields?

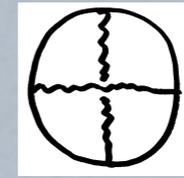
2-loop order



resummed:



3-loop order



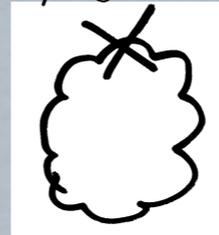
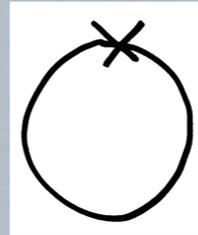
Broken gauge invariance: new counterterms appear.

Reinosa, Serreau 2006

Gauge fixing: Covariant gauge: $\lambda = 1/\xi$

Usual counterterms:

$$(e^2 \log a) \sim \delta Z_3, \quad \delta Z_2$$

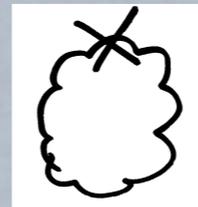


transversal photon
+ electron

New counterterms:

$$(e^4 \log a) \sim \delta \lambda G^{\mu\nu} k_\mu k_\nu$$

$$(e^4 a^2) \sim \delta M^2 G^{\mu\nu} g_{\mu\nu}$$



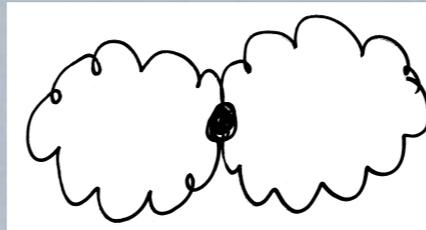
longitudinal photon

$$\left. \frac{\partial \Pi_L}{\partial k^2} \right|_{k^*} = 0$$

$$\Pi_L(k^*) = 0$$

$$(e^4 \log a) \sim \delta g^a G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}$$

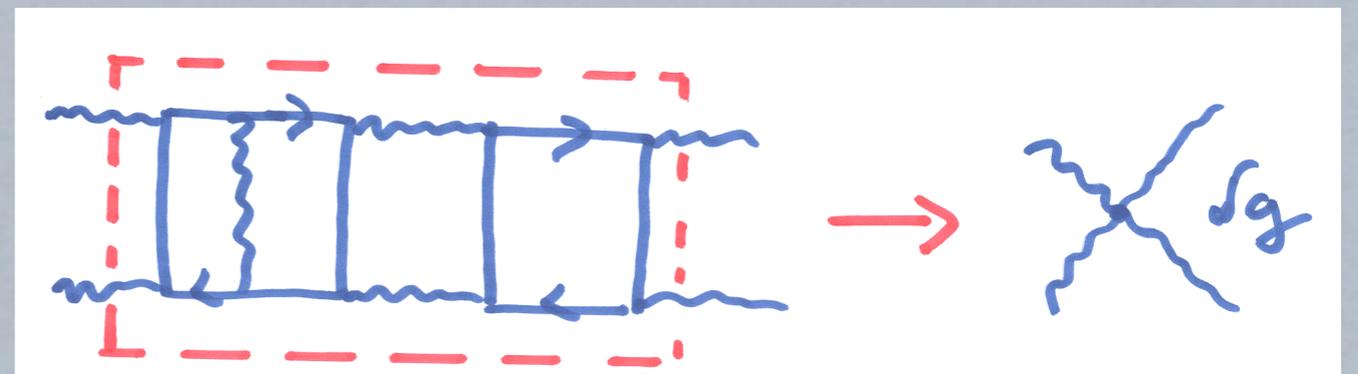
$$(e^4 \log a) \sim \delta g^b G_\mu^\mu G_\nu^\nu$$



photon self interaction

Bethe-Salpeter \rightarrow $V_L^{\mu\nu} |_{k^*} = 0$

Subdivergency in the ladder:
Calculated as the solution of
the Bethe-Salpeter equation



The 2PI pressure curve

Pressure is quartically divergent

-> we calculate

$$\frac{p(T_1) - p(T_2)}{T_1^4 - T_2^4}$$

T_1 : find the counterterms, calculate the pressure

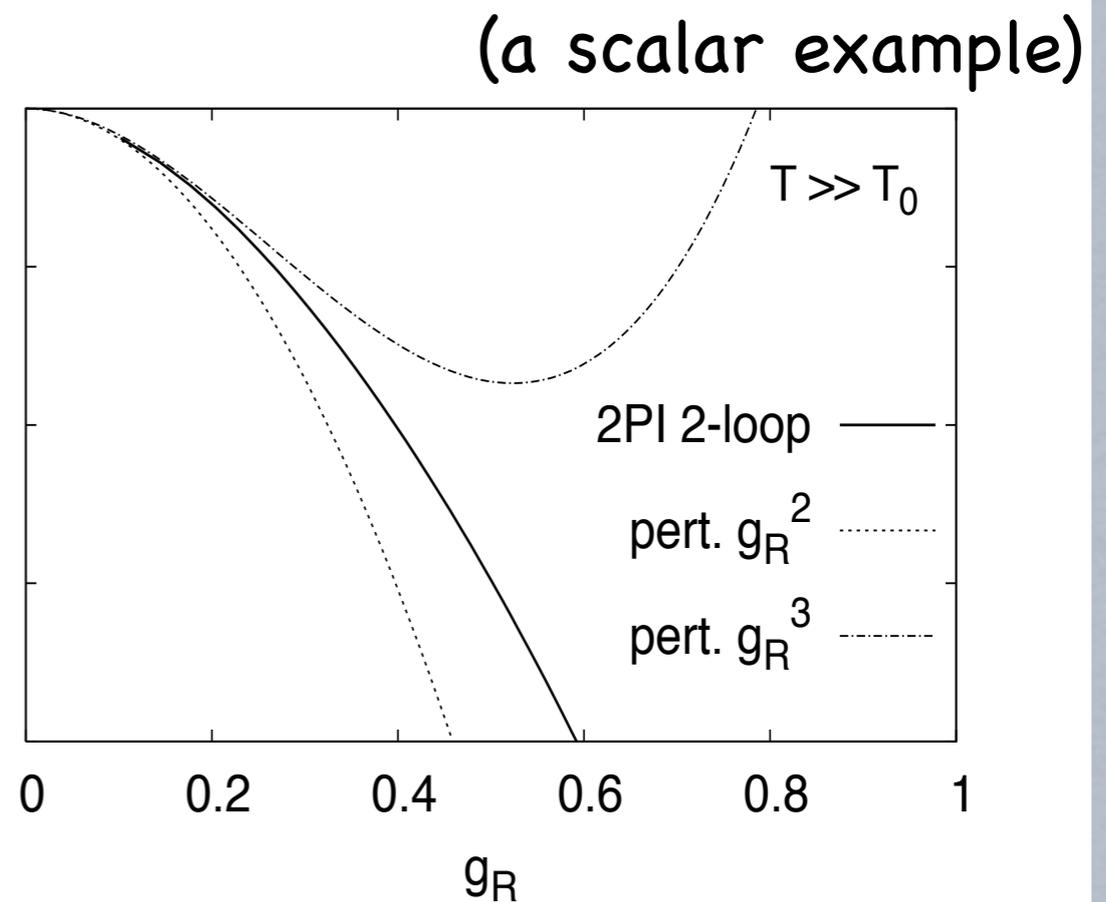
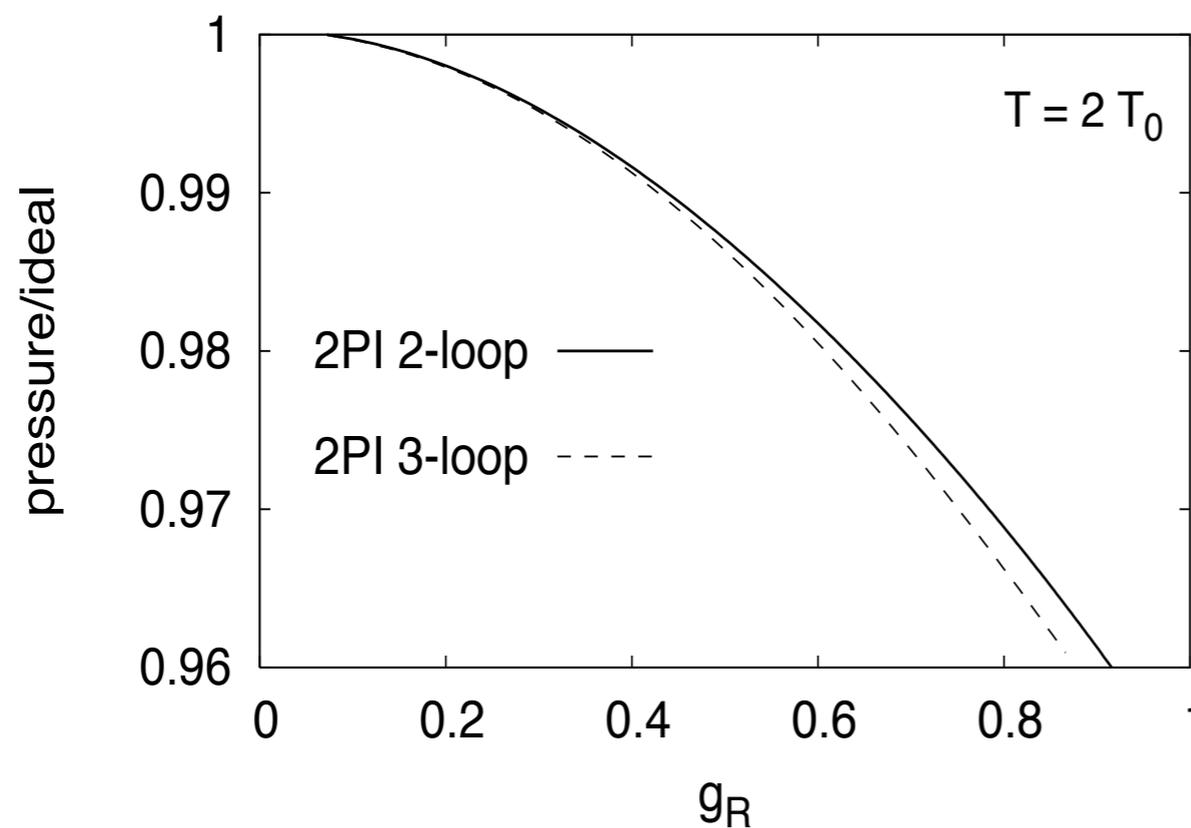
T_2 : use the counterterms, calculate the pressure

(The regularized equations are solved)

$$P = \frac{T}{L_3} i\Gamma[\phi_0, D(\phi_0)]$$

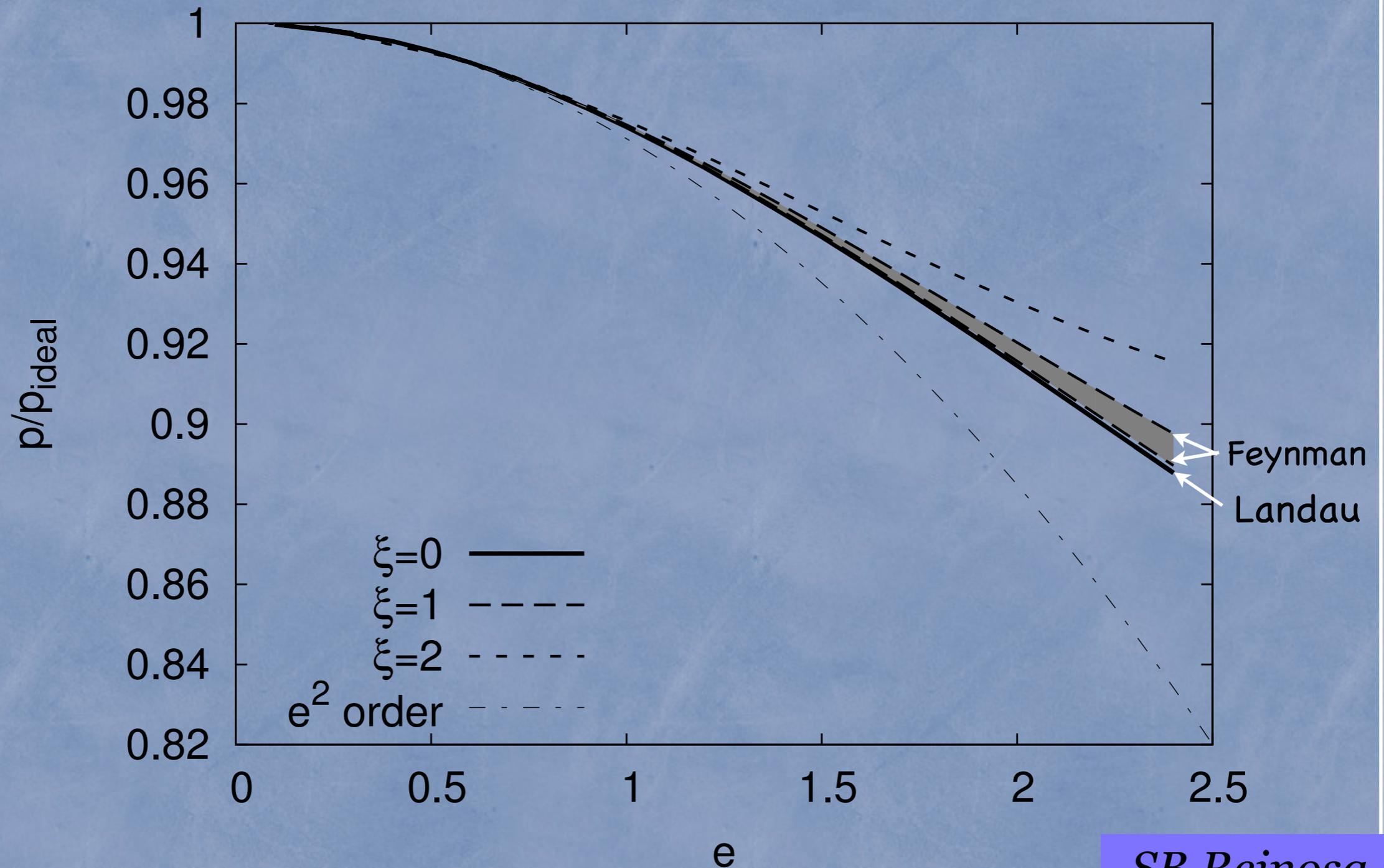
$$S = \frac{\partial P}{\partial T},$$

$$\mathcal{E} = -P + TS = T^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left(\frac{P}{T} \right)$$



The pressure curve: QED

(parameter: gauge fixing)



SB,Reinosa 2007

see also Andersen & Strickland 2005

Restoration of gauge parameter independence

Arrizabalaga, Smit 2002

“Strong” gauge parameter independence:

(e.g. Perturbation theory)

$\text{pressure}(N, e, \xi)$ is ξ independent for any N

N : loop order, e coupling
 ξ : gauge parameter

“Weak” gauge parameter independence:

(e.g. 2PI effective action)

$\text{pressure}(N, e, \xi)$ ξ dependence at $\mathcal{O}(e^{2N+2})$

$N(e, \xi)$: order required for the required precision

$N_{2\text{PI}} < N_{\text{pert}}$, and $N_{2\text{PI}}(e, \xi=0) < N_{2\text{PI}}(e, \xi)$

Conclusion

Long live 2PI!

Self-consistent,

Cures secularity,

Renormalisable (*and we know how to renormalise*)

Gives a prescription for symmetry-respecting propagators

Gauge symmetry is restored as we increase the order in g
(*all gauges are equal, but some gauges are more equal*)

Orwell, Animal farm

We need:

more people,

more jobs,

more machines.