

Lattice energy-momentum tensor from the Yang-Mills gradient flow

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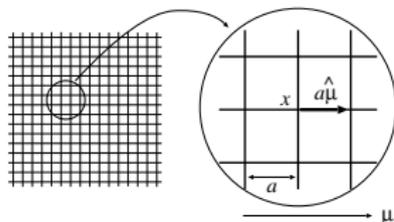
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Lattice field theory and the energy-momentum tensor (EMT)

- Lattice field theory



- best successful non-perturbative formulation of QFT; keeps internal gauge symmetries exactly
- ... but quite incompatible with spacetime symmetries (translation, rotation, SUSY, conformal, ...)
- Ward–Takahashi (WT) relation associated with translational invariance ($T_{\mu\nu}(x)$: **energy-momentum tensor (EMT)**)

$$\langle \partial_\mu T_{\mu\nu}(x) \mathcal{O}(y) \mathcal{O}(z) \cdots \rangle = -\delta(x-y) \langle \partial_\nu \mathcal{O}(y) \mathcal{O}(z) \cdots \rangle + \cdots$$

- conservation law is a special case of this:

$$\langle \partial_\mu T_{\mu\nu}(x) \mathcal{O}(y) \mathcal{O}(z) \cdots \rangle = 0, \quad \text{for } x \neq y, x \neq z, \dots$$

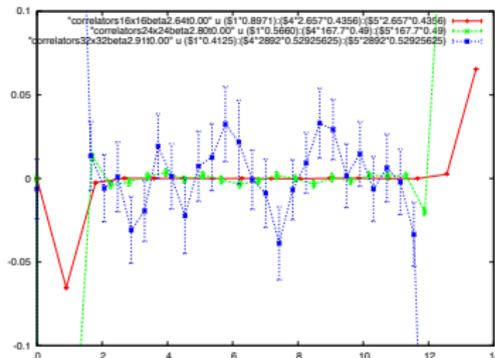
- can we construct lattice EMT which reproduces these relations in $a \rightarrow 0$?
- if this is possible, the application will be vast (thermodynamics, viscosities, conformal field theory, dilaton physics, vacuum energy, ...)

Naive construction will not work ...

- naive EMT for the pure Yang–Mills theory

$$T_{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{1}{g_0^2} \left[F_{\mu\rho}^a(x) F_{\nu\rho}^a(x) - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\sigma}^a(x) F_{\rho\sigma}^a(x) \right]$$

- a correct WT relation: $\langle \partial_\mu T_{\mu 1}(x) T_{01}(0) \rangle = \mathcal{C} \partial_0 \delta(x)$
- Monte Carlo computation of LHS ($x = (x_0, 0, 0, 0)$)



- extremely noisy ...
- (although consistent with 0) it appears diverging as $a \rightarrow 0$
- after all, there is no guarantee that the naive expression is conserved for $a \rightarrow 0$, since lattice regularization breaks translational invariance

- Invent somehow a lattice formulation that is invariant under the desired symmetry (in the present case, translation) as the lattice chiral symmetry on the basis of the Ginsparg–Wilson relation
- this is certainly ideal, but seems formidable for spacetime symmetries ... (eventually, SLAC derivative?)
- What the general argument says is that a linear combination of dim. 4 operators being consistent with lattice symmetry

$$T_{\mu\nu}(x) = C_1 \left(\sum_{\rho} F_{\mu\rho}^a F_{\nu\rho}^a - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu\nu} \sum_{\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma}^a F_{\rho\sigma}^a \right) + C_2 \delta_{\mu\nu} \sum_{\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma}^a F_{\rho\sigma}^a + C_3 \delta_{\mu\nu} \sum_{\rho} F_{\mu\rho}^a F_{\nu\rho}^a$$

is conserved in $a \rightarrow 0$; we may determine ratios of these coefficients by the conservation law (Caracciolo et al. (1989))

- overall normalization should be fixed separately (expectation value in a one-particle state? current algebra?)
- no one yet studied whether this construction generates correct translations on composite operators!
- approach on the basis of SUSY algebra and Ferrara–Zumino supermultiplet (H.S. (2012))

- Use a **UV finite quantity** that can be related with **EMT in a translationally invariant regularization**
- **Any** regularization (including **lattice**) will produce the same number for such a UV finite quantity
- To define this UV finite quantity, we employ the so-called **Yang–Mills gradient flow**
- Yang–Mills gradient flow (a diffusion equation wrt a fictitious time $t \in \mathbb{R}$)

$$\partial_t B_\mu(t, \mathbf{x}) = D_\nu G_{\nu\mu}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \Delta B_\mu(t, \mathbf{x}) + \dots, \quad B_\mu(t=0, \mathbf{x}) = A_\mu(\mathbf{x}),$$

where $G_{\mu\nu}$ is the field strength of the flowed gauge potential:

$$G_{\mu\nu}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \partial_\mu B_\nu(t, \mathbf{x}) - \partial_\nu B_\mu(t, \mathbf{x}) + [B_\mu(t, \mathbf{x}), B_\nu(t, \mathbf{x})], \quad D_\mu = \partial_\mu + [B_\mu, \cdot]$$

- Note: the mass dimension of t is **-2**

- Yang–Mills gradient flow (continuum theory)

$$\partial_t B_\mu(t, x) = D_\nu G_{\nu\mu}(t, x) = \Delta B_\mu(t, x) + \dots, \quad B_\mu(t=0, x) = A_\mu(x)$$

- Wilson flow (lattice theory)

$$\partial_t V(t, x, \mu) V(t, x, \mu)^{-1} = -g_0^2 \partial \mathcal{S}_{\text{Wilson}}, \quad V(t=0, x, \mu) = U(x, \mu)$$

- Applications (Lüscher):

- definition of the topological charge
- scale setting (just like the Sommer scale r_0)

$$t^2 \langle E(t, x) \rangle \Big|_{t=t_0} = 0.3, \quad \text{and set (for instance) } \sqrt{8t_0} = 0.5 \text{ fm}$$

where

$$E(t, x) \equiv \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a(t, x) G_{\mu\nu}^a(t, x)$$

- define UV finite quantities ← **Our usage here**
- computation of the chiral condensate

- Yang–Mills gradient flow

$$\partial_t B_\mu(t, x) = D_\nu G_{\nu\mu}(t, x) + \alpha_0 D_\mu \partial_\nu B_\nu(t, x), \quad B_\mu(t=0, x) = A_\mu(x),$$

where the second term in RHS was introduced to suppress the gauge mode; it can be seen that gauge invariant quantities are independent of α_0 . This can be solved formally as

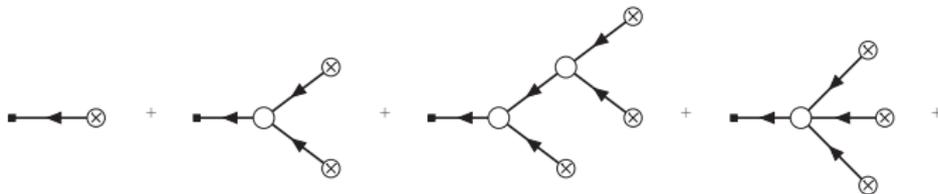
$$B_\mu(t, x) = \int d^D y \left[K_t(x-y)_{\mu\nu} A_\nu(y) + \int_0^t ds K_{t-s}(x-y)_{\mu\nu} R_\nu(s, y) \right],$$

where K is the heat kernel and R is non-linear terms

$$K_t(z)_{\mu\nu} = \int_p \frac{e^{ipz}}{p^2} \left[(\delta_{\mu\nu} p^2 - p_\mu p_\nu) e^{-tp^2} + p_\mu p_\nu e^{-\alpha_0 t p^2} \right]$$

$$R_\mu = 2[B_\nu, \partial_\nu B_\mu] - [B_\nu, \partial_\mu B_\nu] + (\alpha_0 - 1)[B_\mu, \partial_\nu B_\nu] + [B_\nu, [B_\nu, B_\mu]]$$

Pictorially (cross: A_μ ; open circle: flow vertex R),



Perturbative expansion of the gradient flow

- quantum correlation function of the flowed gauge field

$$\langle B_{\mu_1}(t_1, x_1) \cdots B_{\mu_n}(t_n, x_n) \rangle,$$

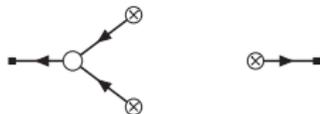
is obtained by taking the expectation value of the initial value $A_\mu(x)$. For example, the contraction of two A_μ 's

$$\langle \left(\leftarrow \otimes \otimes \rightarrow \right) \rangle = \text{wavy line}$$

produces the propagator of the flowed field

$$\delta^{ab} g_0^2 \frac{1}{(p^2)^2} \left[(\delta_{\mu\nu} p^2 - p_\mu p_\nu) e^{-(t+s)p^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_0} p_\mu p_\nu e^{-\alpha_0(t+s)p^2} \right],$$

(where t and s are flow times at the end points; λ_0 is the conventional gauge parameter). Similarly, for



considering the contraction with the usual Yang–Mills vertex (the full circle)



Gauge invariance of the gradient flow

- Under the infinitesimal gauge transformation,

$$B_\mu(t, x) \rightarrow B_\mu(t, x) + D_\mu \omega(t, x),$$

the flow equation

$$\partial_t B_\mu(t, x) = D_\nu G_{\nu\mu}(t, x) + \alpha_0 D_\mu \partial_\nu B_\nu(t, x)$$

changes to

$$\partial_t B_\mu(t, x) = D_\nu G_{\nu\mu}(t, x) + \alpha_0 D_\mu \partial_\nu B_\nu(t, x) - D_\mu (\partial_t - \alpha_0 D_\nu \partial_\nu) \omega(t, x)$$

- Therefore, by choosing $\omega(t, x)$ as the solution of

$$(\partial_t - \alpha_0 D_\nu \partial_\nu) \omega(t, x) = -\delta \alpha_0 \partial_\nu B_\nu(t, x), \quad \omega(t=0, x) = 0,$$

α_0 can be changed as

$$\alpha_0 \rightarrow \alpha_0 + \delta \alpha_0$$

That is, $B_\mu(t, x)$'s corresponding to different α_0 's are related by a gauge transformation

- Also, by choosing $\omega(t, x)$ as the solution of

$$(\partial_t - \alpha_0 D_\nu \partial_\nu) \omega(t, x) = 0, \quad \omega(t=0, x) = \omega(x),$$

the D dimensional gauge transformation $\omega(x)$ can be extended to a $D + 1$ dimensional gauge transformation $\omega(t, x)$ that leaves the flow equation unchanged

UV finiteness of the gradient flow I

- Correlation function of the flowed gauge field

$$\langle B_{\mu_1}(t_1, \mathbf{x}_1) \cdots B_{\mu_n}(t_n, \mathbf{x}_n) \rangle, \quad t_1 > 0, \dots, t_n > 0,$$

when expressed in terms of renormalized parameters, is UV finite **without the wave function renormalization**

- tree-level two-point function

$$\langle \tilde{B}_\mu^a(t, p) \tilde{B}_\nu^b(s, q) \rangle \sim \delta^{ab} g_0^2 \frac{1}{(p^2)^2} \left[(\delta_{\mu\nu} p^2 - p_\mu p_\nu) e^{-(t+s)p^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_0} p_\mu p_\nu e^{-\alpha_0(t+s)p^2} \right]$$

- 1-loop two point function (those containing only Yang–Mills vertices)

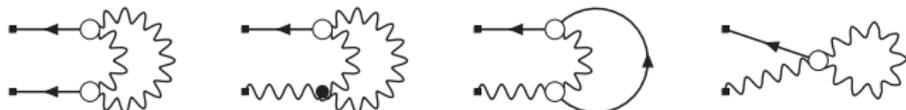


- The last counter term comes from rewriting to renormalized parameters

$$g_0^2 = \mu^{2\epsilon} g^2 Z, \quad \lambda_0 = \lambda Z_3^{-1}$$

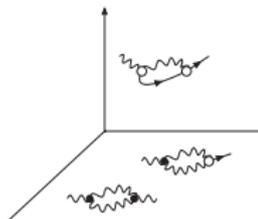
- Usually, this becomes UV finite only by taking the wave function renormalization factor into account ...

- ... here, we have also diagrams containing **flow vertices**



which give rise to the precisely same effect as the wave function renormalization factor

- All order proof (Lüscher–Weisz (2011))



- when a loop contains a vertex in the bulk ($t > 0$), the loop integral contains the flow-time evolution factor

$$\sim e^{-t\ell^2}$$

which makes the loop integral finite; no bulk counterterm is necessary

- by using a BRS symmetry, it can be shown that all boundary ($t = 0$) counterterms are those of the Yang–Mills theory

UV finiteness of the gradient flow II

- Correlation function of the flow gauge field

$$\langle B_{\mu_1}(t_1, x_1) B_{\mu_2}(t_2, x_2) \cdots B_{\mu_n}(t_n, x_n) \rangle, \quad t_1 > 0, \dots, t_n > 0,$$

remains finite **even for the equal-point product**

$$t_1 \rightarrow t_2, \quad x_1 \rightarrow x_2,$$



- the new loop always contains the flow-time evolution factor $\sim e^{-t\ell^2}$ and this makes integral finite; no new UV divergence arises
- This is an extremely powerful property!**

$$B_{\mu}(t, x) B_{\nu}(t, x) |_{\text{Dimensional Regularization}} = B_{\mu}(t, x) B_{\nu}(t, x) |_{\text{Lattice}}$$

- On the other hand, the difficulty in the present problem comes from

$$(A_R)_{\mu}(x) (A_R)_{\nu}(x) |_{\text{Dimensional Regularization}} \neq (A_R)_{\mu}(x) (A_R)_{\nu}(x) |_{\text{lattice}}$$

- Using this property of the gradient flow, we relate a certain quantity defined by the gradient flow and EMT in the dimensional regularization

- $SU(N)$ Yang–Mills theory in $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$ dimensions

$$S = \frac{1}{4g_0^2} \int d^D x F_{\mu\nu}^a(x) F_{\mu\nu}^a(x)$$

- Assuming the dimensional regularization, since it preserves the translational invariance, the naive expression

$$T_{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{1}{g_0^2} \left[F_{\mu\rho}^a(x) F_{\nu\rho}^a(x) - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\sigma}^a(x) F_{\rho\sigma}^a(x) \right]$$

fulfills the correct WT relation

$$\langle \partial_\mu T_{\mu\nu}(x) \mathcal{O}(y) \mathcal{O}(z) \cdots \rangle = -\delta(x-y) \langle \partial_\nu \mathcal{O}(y) \mathcal{O}(z) \cdots \rangle + \cdots$$

It follows from this that $T_{\mu\nu}(x)$ does not receive the multiplicative renormalization

- So, with dimensional regularization, we define a renormalized (finite) EMT by subtracting VEV,

$$\{T_{\mu\nu}\}_R(x) = T_{\mu\nu}(x) - \langle T_{\mu\nu}(x) \rangle$$

- We consider the following dim. 4 gauge invariant combinations

$$U_{\mu\nu}(t, x) \equiv G_{\mu\rho}^a(t, x)G_{\nu\rho}^a(t, x) - \frac{1}{4}\delta_{\mu\nu}G_{\rho\sigma}^a(t, x)G_{\rho\sigma}^a(t, x)$$

$$E(t, x) \equiv \frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}^a(t, x)G_{\mu\nu}^a(t, x)$$

- These are quite **similar to 4 dimensional EMT (Itou–Kitazawa, 2012 ~)**, but can we make the relationship precise?
- The flow equation is a diffusion equation whose diffusion length is $\sim \sqrt{8t}$. So, in $t \rightarrow 0$ limit, $U_{\mu\nu}(t, x)$ and $E(t, x)$ can be regarded as local operators in D dimensional x space
- Moreover, from the UV finiteness of the gradient flow, these are UV finite
- From these facts, for $t \rightarrow 0$, above local products can be expressed by an asymptotic series of D dimensional renormalized operators (coefficients will be finite too):

$$U_{\mu\nu}(t, x) = \alpha_U(t) \left[\{T_{\mu\nu}\}_R(x) - \frac{1}{4}\delta_{\mu\nu} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) \right] + O(t),$$

$$E(t, x) = \langle E(t, x) \rangle + \alpha_E(t) \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) + O(t),$$

Here, we have used the fact that $U_{\mu\nu}(x)$ is traceless for $D = 4$. $O(t)$ is the contribution of operators with dim. 6 or higher

- By eliminating the trace part $\{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x)$ from the above expansion,

$$U_{\mu\nu}(t, x) = \alpha_U(t) \left[\{T_{\mu\nu}\}_R(x) - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu\nu} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) \right] + O(t),$$

$$E(t, x) = \langle E(t, x) \rangle + \alpha_E(t) \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) + O(t),$$

we have

$$\{T_{\mu\nu}\}_R(x) = \frac{1}{\alpha_U(t)} U_{\mu\nu}(t, x) + \frac{1}{4\alpha_E(t)} \delta_{\mu\nu} [E(t, x) - \langle E(t, x) \rangle] + O(t)$$

Therefore, if we know the $t \rightarrow 0$ behavior of the coefficients $\alpha_U(t)$ and $\alpha_E(t)$, the EMT can be obtained by $t \rightarrow 0$ limit of the combination in RHS

- We apply

$$\left(\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu}\right)_0, \quad \mu: \text{renormalization scale, } 0: \text{bare quantities fixed}$$

to both sides of

$$U_{\mu\nu}(t, x) = \alpha_U(t) \left[\{T_{\mu\nu}\}_R(x) - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu\nu} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) \right] + O(t),$$
$$E(t, x) = \langle E(t, x) \rangle + \alpha_E(t) \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) + O(t)$$

- Expressed in terms of bare quantities, LHS does not contain μ . So,

$$\left(\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu}\right)_0 \alpha_U(t) \left[\{T_{\mu\nu}\}_R(x) - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu\nu} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) \right] = 0,$$
$$\left(\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu}\right)_0 \alpha_E(t) \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) = 0$$

- Further, the EMT is not renormalized,

$$\left(\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu}\right)_0 \alpha_{U,E}(t) = 0$$

Renormalization group argument

- Introducing the β function by

$$\beta \equiv \left(\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \right)_0 g$$

the above relation becomes

$$\left(\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} + \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial g} \right) \alpha_{U,E}(t)(g; \mu) = 0$$

- This implies that using the running coupling \bar{g} defined by

$$q \frac{d\bar{g}(q)}{dq} = \beta(\bar{g}(q)), \quad \bar{g}(q = \mu) = g,$$

the coefficients do not depend on the renormalization scale:

$$\alpha_{U,E}(t)(\bar{g}(q); q) = \alpha_{U,E}(t)(\bar{g}(q'); q').$$

- So, we may set

$$q = \mu, \quad q' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8t}}$$

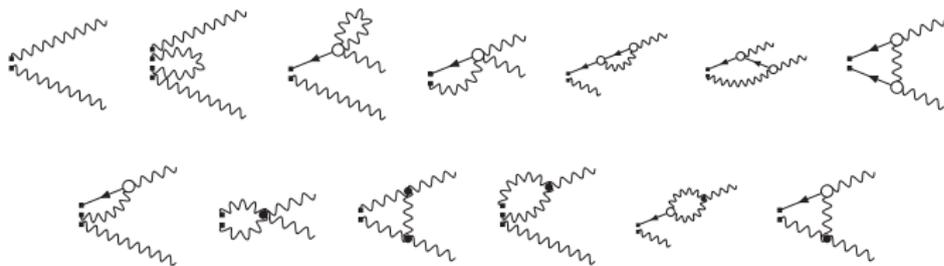
and then

$$\alpha_{U,E}(t)(g; \mu) = \alpha_{U,E}(t)(\bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t}); 1/\sqrt{8t})$$

- Because of the asymptotic freedom, $\bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t}) \rightarrow 0$ for $t \rightarrow 0$ and coefficients can be evaluated by the perturbation theory! (a sort of factorization)

Perturbative calculation of coefficients

- To 1-loop, we have to evaluate following flow-line Feynman diagrams



- In terms of the renormalized gauge coupling in the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme,

$$\alpha_U(t)(g; \mu) = g^2 \left\{ 1 + 2b_0 \left[\ln(\sqrt{8t}\mu) + s_1 \right] g^2 + O(g^4) \right\},$$

$$\alpha_E(t)(g; \mu) = \frac{1}{2b_0} \left\{ 1 + 2b_0 s_2 g^2 + O(g^4) \right\},$$

where

$$s_1 = \ln \sqrt{\pi} + \frac{7}{16} \simeq 1.00986, \quad s_2 = \frac{109}{176} - \frac{b_1}{2b_0^2} \simeq 0.197831,$$

and $b_0 = 11N/(48\pi^2)$ and $b_1 = 17N^2/(384\pi^4)$ are the first two coefficients of the β function; we see that $\alpha_{U,E}(t)$ are actually UV finite

- By the above RG argument,

$$\alpha_U(t) = \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 \left\{ 1 + 2b_0 s_1 \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 + O(\bar{g}^4) \right\},$$

$$\alpha_E(t) = \frac{1}{2b_0} \left\{ 1 + 2b_0 s_2 \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 + O(\bar{g}^4) \right\},$$

where

$$\bar{g}(q)^2 = \frac{1}{b_0 \ln(q^2/\Lambda^2)} - \frac{b_1 \ln[\ln(q^2/\Lambda^2)]}{b_0^3 \ln^2(q^2/\Lambda^2)} + O\left(\frac{\ln^2[\ln(q^2/\Lambda^2)]}{\ln^3(q^2/\Lambda^2)}\right)$$

- Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_U(t)} = \frac{1}{\bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2} - 2b_0 s_1 + O(\bar{g}^2),$$

and

$$\frac{1}{4\alpha_E(t)} = \frac{b_0}{2} \left[1 - 2b_0 s_2 \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 + O(\bar{g}^4) \right]$$

- Gathering all the above arguments,

$$\{T_{\mu\nu}\}_R(x) \stackrel{t \rightarrow 0^+}{\sim} \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{\bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2} - 2b_0 s_1 \right] U_{\mu\nu}(t, x) + \frac{b_0}{2} \left[1 - 2b_0 s_2 \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 \right] \delta_{\mu\nu} [E(t, x) - \langle E(t, x) \rangle] \right\},$$

and we obtained a formula that extracts a **correctly normalized conserved** EMT from local products defined through the gradient flow

- Correlation functions of the quantities in RHS can (in principle) be computed non-perturbatively by using **lattice regularization**
- Practically, we have to take sufficiently small t in the window

$$a \ll \sqrt{8t} \ll \frac{1}{\Lambda}$$

and the applicability is not quite obvious ...

- Configuration: Wilson plaquette action, pseudo-heat bath (+ overrelaxation)
- Wilson flow: 3rd order Runge–Kutta method (Lüscher), $\epsilon = \Delta t/a^2 = 0.01$, $t/a^2 \in [0, 6]$
- field strength $G_{\mu\nu}^a(x)$ is clover-type, symmetric difference is used
- simulation parameters

lattice	β	N_{config}	$a/\sqrt{t_0}$	
16^4	2.64	100	0.8971(63)	$a \simeq 0.036 \text{ fm for } \sqrt{\sigma} = 440 \text{ MeV}$
24^4	2.80	100	0.5660(48)	
32^4	2.91	100	0.4125(40)	

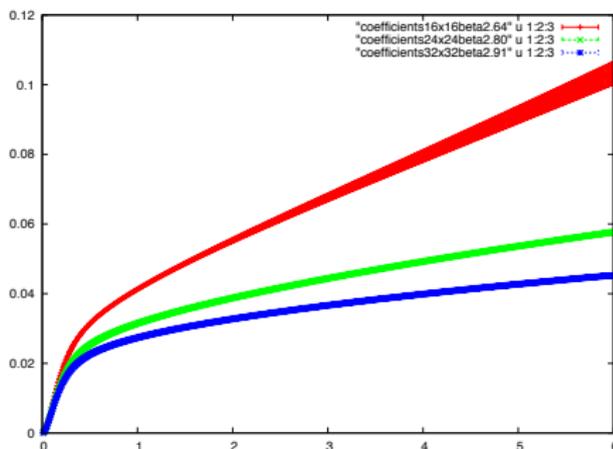
- Here, we have introduced a reference flow time t_0 by using the expectation value of the “energy density”

$$E(t, x) = \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a(t, x) G_{\mu\nu}^a(t, x)$$

as

$$t^2 \langle E(t, x) \rangle \Big|_{t=t_0} = 0.045$$

- $t^2 \langle E(t, x) \rangle$ as a function of t/a^2



- From these values and the perturbative calculation (Lüscher (2010))

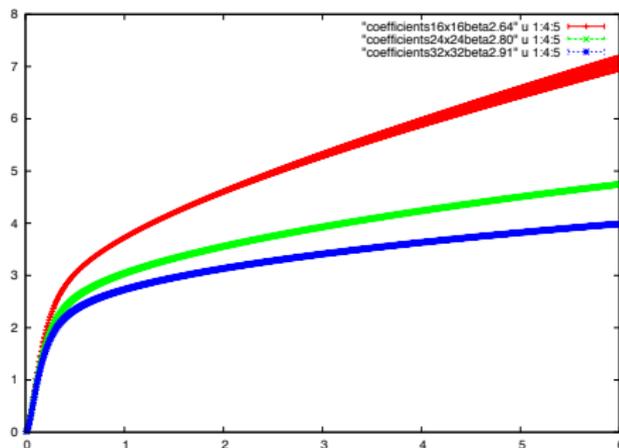
$$t^2 \langle E(t, x) \rangle \stackrel{t \rightarrow 0^+}{\sim} \frac{3(N^2 - 1)}{128\pi^2} \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 \left[1 + 2b_0 c \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 \right],$$

where (in the MS scheme)

$$c \equiv \ln(2\sqrt{\pi}) + \frac{26}{33} - \frac{9}{22} \ln 3 \simeq 1.60396,$$

we estimate the **perturbative** running coupling $\bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2$

- Perturbative running coupling $\bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2$

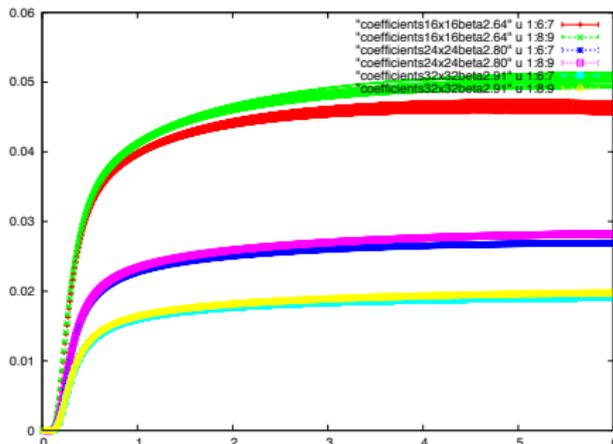


- We may trust this perturbative computation of $\bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2$ for the region of t in which the following “effective Λ parameter” is (almost) constant

$$\Lambda(t) \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{8t}} \left[b_0 \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 \right]^{-b_1/(2b_0^2)} e^{-1/[2b_0 \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2]} \leftarrow \text{2-loop}$$

$$\times \exp \left[-\frac{-b_1^2 + b_0 b_2}{2b_0^3} \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 - \frac{b_1^3 - 2b_0 b_1 b_2 + b_0^2 b_3}{4b_0^4} \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^4 \right] \leftarrow \text{4-loop}$$

- $a\Lambda(t)$ as a function of t/a^2



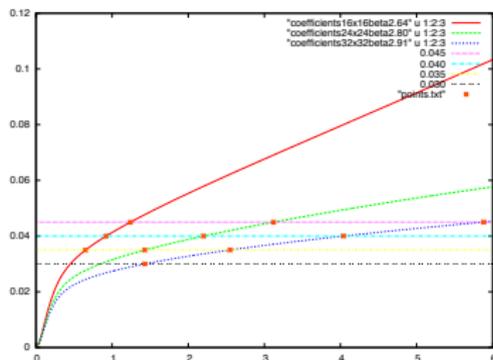
(Ideally) we should use t/a^2 in the almost-flat region

Study of the feasibility by numerical experiment

- The order of the limits is important
- First, while keeping the flow time t fixed **in physical units**, take the continuum limit $a \rightarrow 0$. This gives flowed values in the continuum Yang–Mills theory
- Then, to extract EMT, take a small flow time limit $t \rightarrow 0$
- We may fix t **in physical units** by setting

$$t^2 \langle E(t, x) \rangle = \text{const.}$$

- We considered 10 combinations, $t^2 \langle E(t, x) \rangle = 0.045, 0.040, 0.035$ with 3 different lattice spacings and $t^2 \langle E(t, x) \rangle = 0.030$ on 32^4 lattice

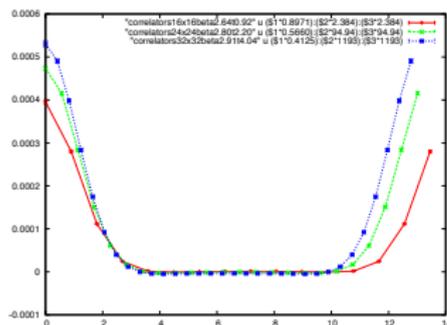
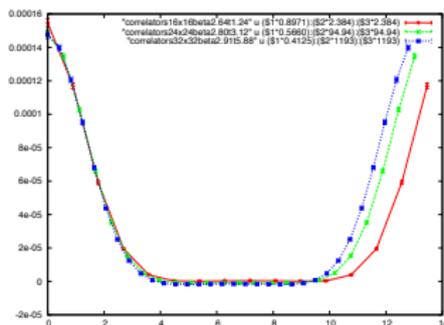


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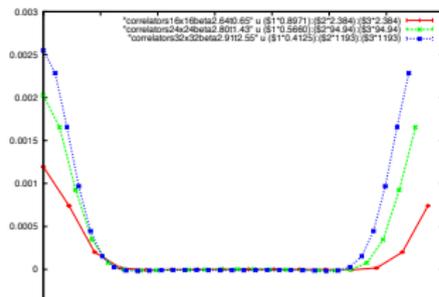
- Example of the correlation function

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- For $t^2 \langle E(t, x) \rangle = 0.045$ (the upper horizontal line) and for $t^2 \langle E(t, x) \rangle = 0.040$ (the 2nd horizontal line)



- For $t^2 \langle E(t, x) \rangle = 0.035$ (the 3rd horizontal line)

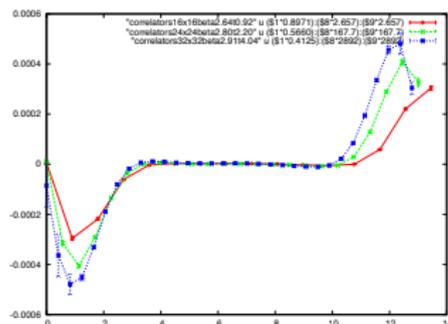
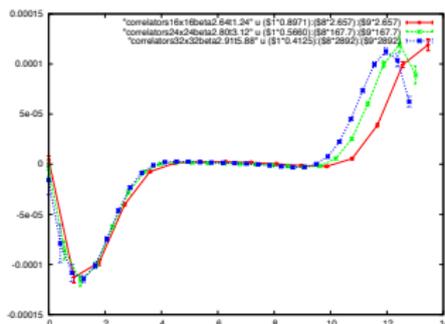


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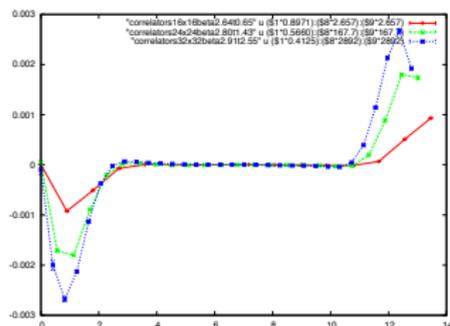
- Example of the correlation function

$$\langle \partial_\mu U_{\mu 0}(t, x) E(t, 0) \rangle \quad x = (x_0, 0, 0, 0)$$

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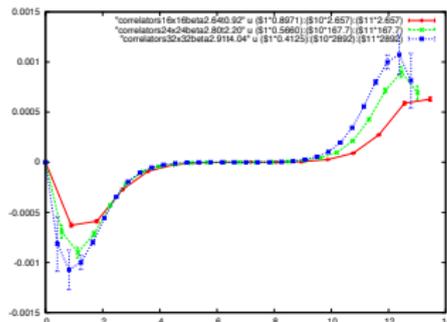
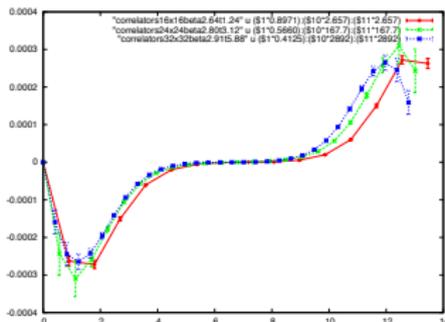


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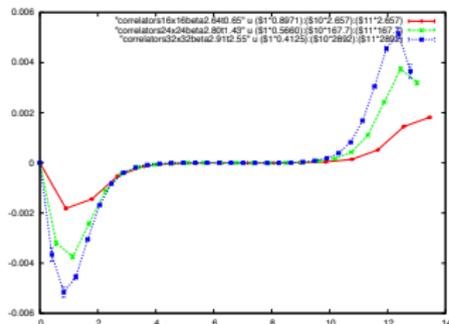
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- Although next we should make an extrapolation to $a \rightarrow 0$, here we proceed by regarding the 32^4 results are sufficiently close to the continuum
- Remembering the $t \rightarrow 0$ behavior

$$U_{\mu\nu}(t, x) = \alpha_U(t) \left[\{T_{\mu\nu}\}_R(x) - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu\nu} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) \right] + O(t),$$

$$E(t, x) = \langle E(t, x) \rangle + \alpha_E(t) \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) + O(t),$$

for example,

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_U(t)\alpha_E(t)} \langle \partial_\mu U_{\mu 0}(t, x) E(t, 0) \rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0^+} \left\langle \partial_\mu \left[\{T_{\mu 0}\}_R(x) - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu 0} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) \right] \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(0) \right\rangle$$

and RHS is obtained as an $t \rightarrow 0$ extrapolation of LHS (Thanks, Aoki-san!)

- Similarly,

$$\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{\alpha_E(t)^2} \langle \partial_\mu \delta_{\mu 0} E(t, x) E(t, 0) \rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{4} \langle \partial_\mu \delta_{\mu 0} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(0) \rangle$$

- Sum of these two is

$$\xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0^+} \langle \partial_\mu \{T_{\mu 0}\}_R(x) \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(0) \rangle$$

and should be 0 for $x \neq 0$ (conservation law of EMT!)

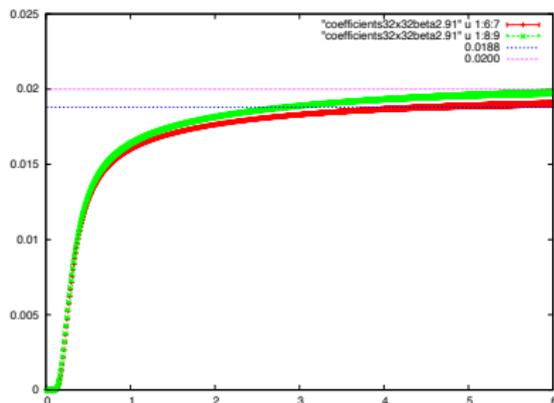
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- To obtain,

$$\alpha_U(t) = \bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 \left\{ 1 + 2b_0s_1\bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 + O(\bar{g}^4) \right\},$$

$$\alpha_E(t) = \frac{1}{2b_0} \left\{ 1 + 2b_0s_2\bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})^2 + O(\bar{g}^4) \right\}$$

we have to know Λ that corresponds to the initial value of the running coupling $\bar{g}(1/\sqrt{8t})$



Here, as a rough estimate,

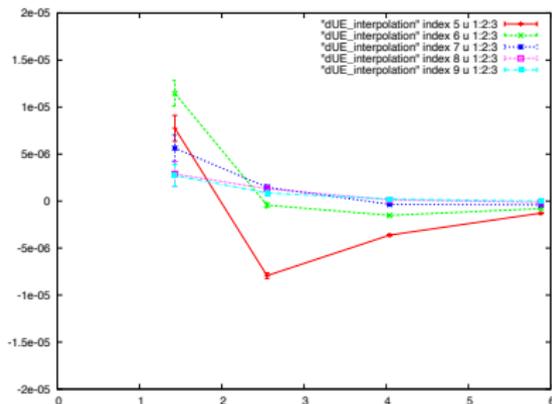
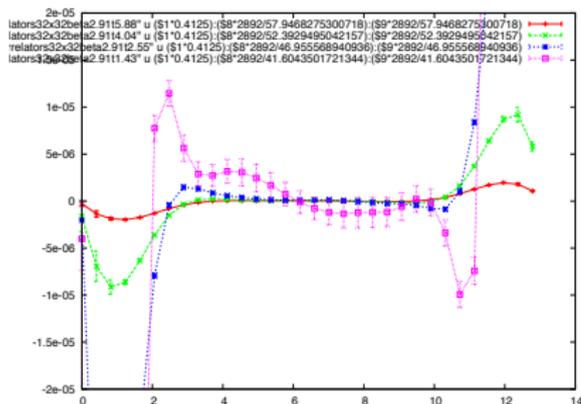
$$0.0188 \leq a\Lambda \leq 0.0200$$

and used the 2-loop running formula

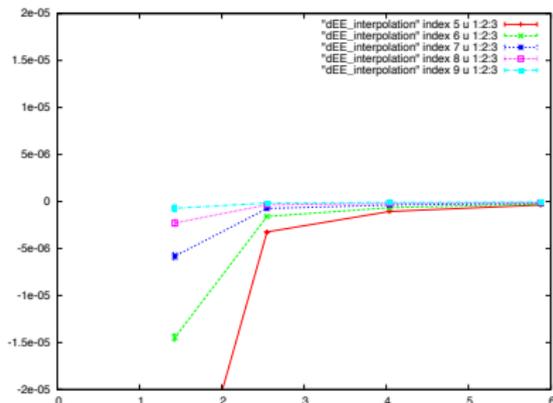
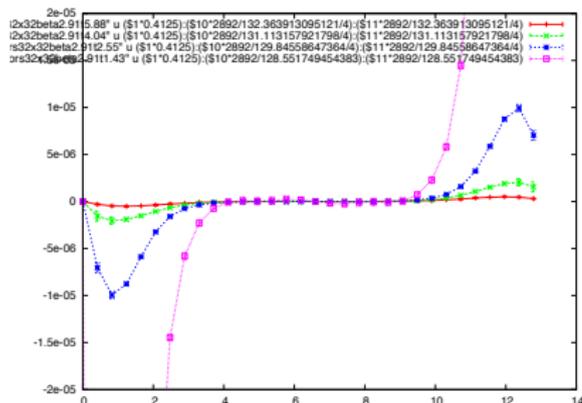
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- (in what follows, only show plots with $a\Lambda = 0.0188$; not much difference for $a\Lambda = 0.0200$)

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_U(t)\alpha_E(t)} \langle \partial_\mu U_{\mu 0}(t, x) E(t, 0) \rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0^+} \left\langle \partial_\mu \left[\{T_{\mu 0}\}_R(x) - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu 0} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) \right] \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(0) \right\rangle$$

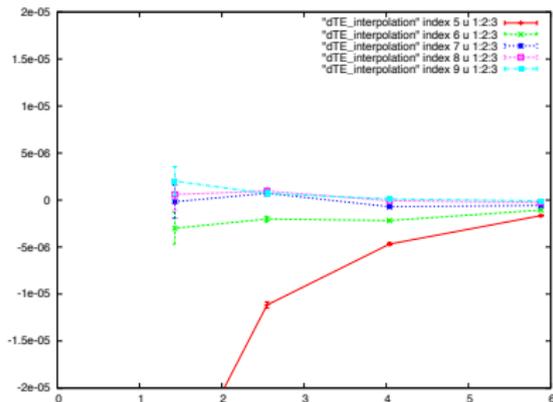
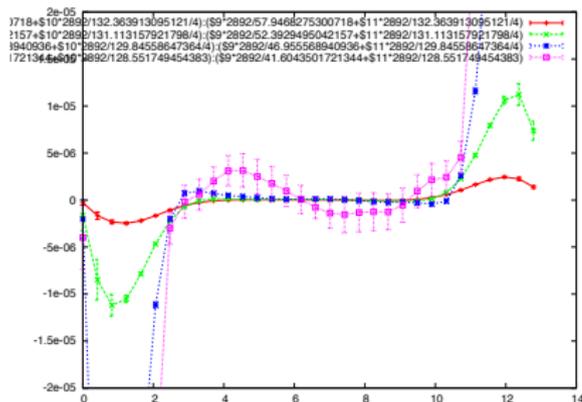


$$\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{\alpha_E(t)^2} \langle \partial_\mu \delta_{\mu 0} E(t, \mathbf{x}) E(t, \mathbf{0}) \rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{4} \langle \partial_\mu \delta_{\mu 0} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(\mathbf{x}) \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(\mathbf{0}) \rangle$$



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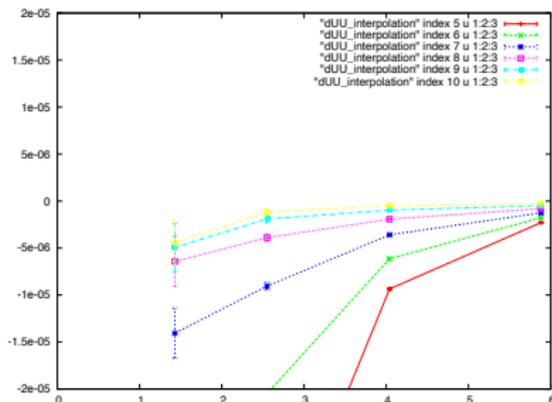
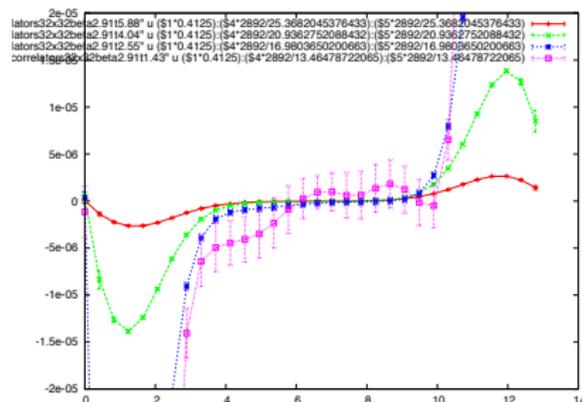
$$\xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0^+} \langle \partial_\mu \{T_{\mu 0}\}_R(x) \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(0) \rangle$$



● Good indication for the EMT conservation?!!

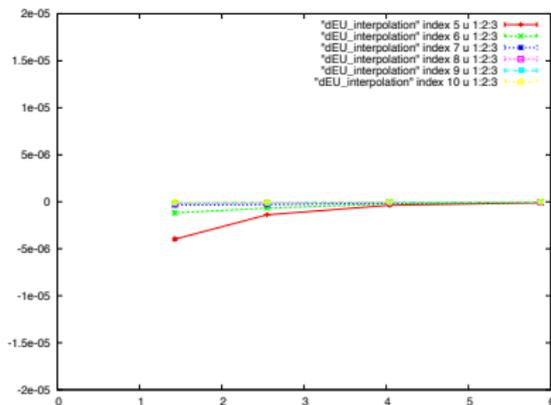
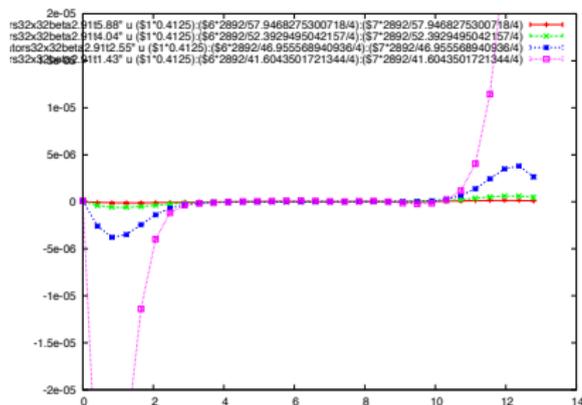
- But the situation is not so clear for ...

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_U(t)^2} \langle \partial_\mu U_{\mu 1}(t, x) U_{01}(t, 0) \rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0^+} \left\langle \partial_\mu \left[\{T_{\mu 1}\}_R(x) - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu 1} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(x) \right] \{T_{01}\}_R(0) \right\rangle$$



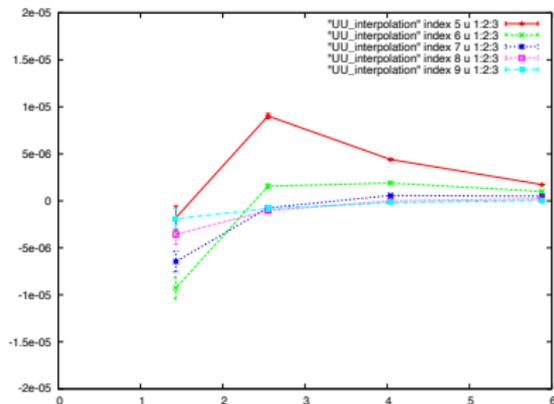
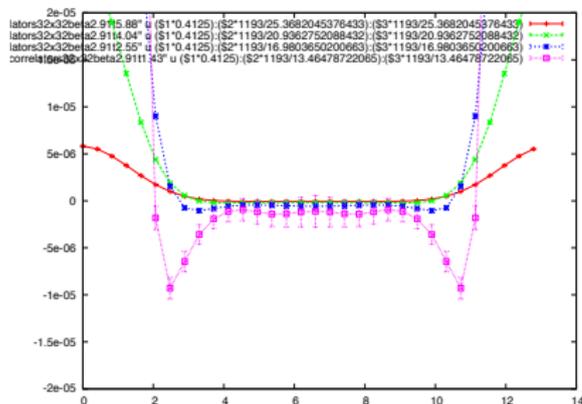
- ... and

$$\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{\alpha_E(t)\alpha_U(t)} \langle \partial_\mu \delta_{\mu 1} E(t, \mathbf{x}) U_{01}(t, 0) \rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{4} \langle \partial_\mu \delta_{\mu 1} \{T_{\rho\rho}\}_R(\mathbf{x}) \{T_{01}\}_R(0) \rangle$$



- An example of 2 point correlation function (relevant for the shear viscosity)

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_U(t)^2} \langle U_{01}(t, x) U_{01}(t, 0) \rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0^+} \langle \{T_{01}\}_R(x) \{T_{01}\}_R(0) \rangle$$



- It seems that we had a good indication (!) although we still have to carry out ...
- systematic extrapolation to the continuum $a \rightarrow 0$
- systematic extrapolation to $t \rightarrow 0$ (hopefully) using data with smaller flow times
- clear demonstration of the conservation of EMT
- "O(t) improvement" might be useful

$$G_{\mu\rho}^a(t, x)G_{\nu\rho}^a(t, x) \\ \rightarrow G_{\mu\rho}^a(t, x)G_{\nu\rho}^a(t, x) - t [D_\sigma D_\sigma G_{\mu\rho}^a(t, x)G_{\nu\rho}^a(t, x) + G_{\mu\rho}^a(t, x)D_\sigma D_\sigma G_{\nu\rho}^a(t, x)]$$

this replacement removes $O(t)$ terms in the tree level

- also 1-loop improvement will not be impossible (presumably)
- step size scaling for small t ?

- Inclusion of matter fields: flowed matter field **requires** the wave function renormalization (Lüscher (2013))

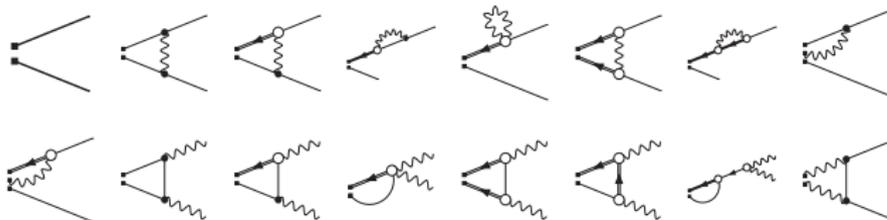
$$\chi(t, \mathbf{x}) = Z_{\chi}^{-1/2} \chi_R(t, \mathbf{x}), \quad \bar{\chi}(t, \mathbf{x}) = Z_{\chi}^{-1/2} \bar{\chi}_R(t, \mathbf{x})$$

To avoid the determination of Z_{χ} in lattice/continuum theory, we may define an operator by normalizing it by the “condensation” as, for example,

$$\frac{\bar{\chi}(t, \mathbf{x}) \mathcal{D} \chi(t, \mathbf{x})}{t_0^{3/2} \langle \bar{\chi}(t_0, \mathbf{x}) \chi(t_0, \mathbf{x}) \rangle}$$

where t_0 is an arbitrary **fixed** flow time. This is a dim. 4 UV finite quantity to which our argument is applied

- 1-loop mixing coefficients (to be computed)



- Non-perturbative determination of mixing coefficients? (Del Debbio–Patella–Rago, arXiv:1306.1173 [hep-th])

- Physical application? (thermodynamics, viscosities, conformal field theory, dilaton physics, vacuum energy, ...)
- For bulk thermodynamical quantities, for instance, for the so-called “trace anomaly”

$$\langle \varepsilon - 3p \rangle_T = \langle - \{ T_{\mu\mu} \}_R(x) \rangle_T,$$

or for the entropy density

$$\langle \varepsilon + p \rangle_T = \left\langle - \{ T_{00} \}_R(x) + \frac{1}{3} \{ T_{ii} \}_R(x) \right\rangle_T,$$

our definition should coincide with the traditional one (Engels–Karsch–Scheideler, (1982)) in the continuum limit

- This is the case also for other off-diagonal components (Giusti–Meyer (2013))?
- Can we define the chiral current and/or SUSY current from the gradient flow?