



# Punchline:

*Effective* theory for deconfinement, *near*  $T_c$ .

There's *always* an effective theory.

*Solidly* based upon results from the lattice

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*Real* competition for AdS/CFT



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# An effective (matrix) model for deconfinement

Lattice: SU(N) gauge theories, *without* quarks.

**Simulations show:  $N = 3$  close to  $N = \infty$ .** *Not* just the pressure.

*Simple* matrix model, valid in large N expansion (*no* small masses).

Fit to pressure for *all* N with 2 parameters

*Good* agreement with interface tensions

*Disagrees* with the (renormalized) Polyakov loop - ?

*New*: adjoint Higgs phase, with *split* masses, for  $T < 1.2 T_c$ .

**Unexpected**: transition region *very narrow*,  $< 1.2 T_c$

Dumitru, Guo, Hidaka, Korthals-Altes, & RDP, arXiv:1011.3820 + ...

Generalization of Meisinger, Miller, Ogilvie ph/0108009

Y. Hidaka & RDP, 0803.0453, 0906.1751, 0907.4609, 0912.0940.

# What the lattice tells us

*Weak* dependence on # colors

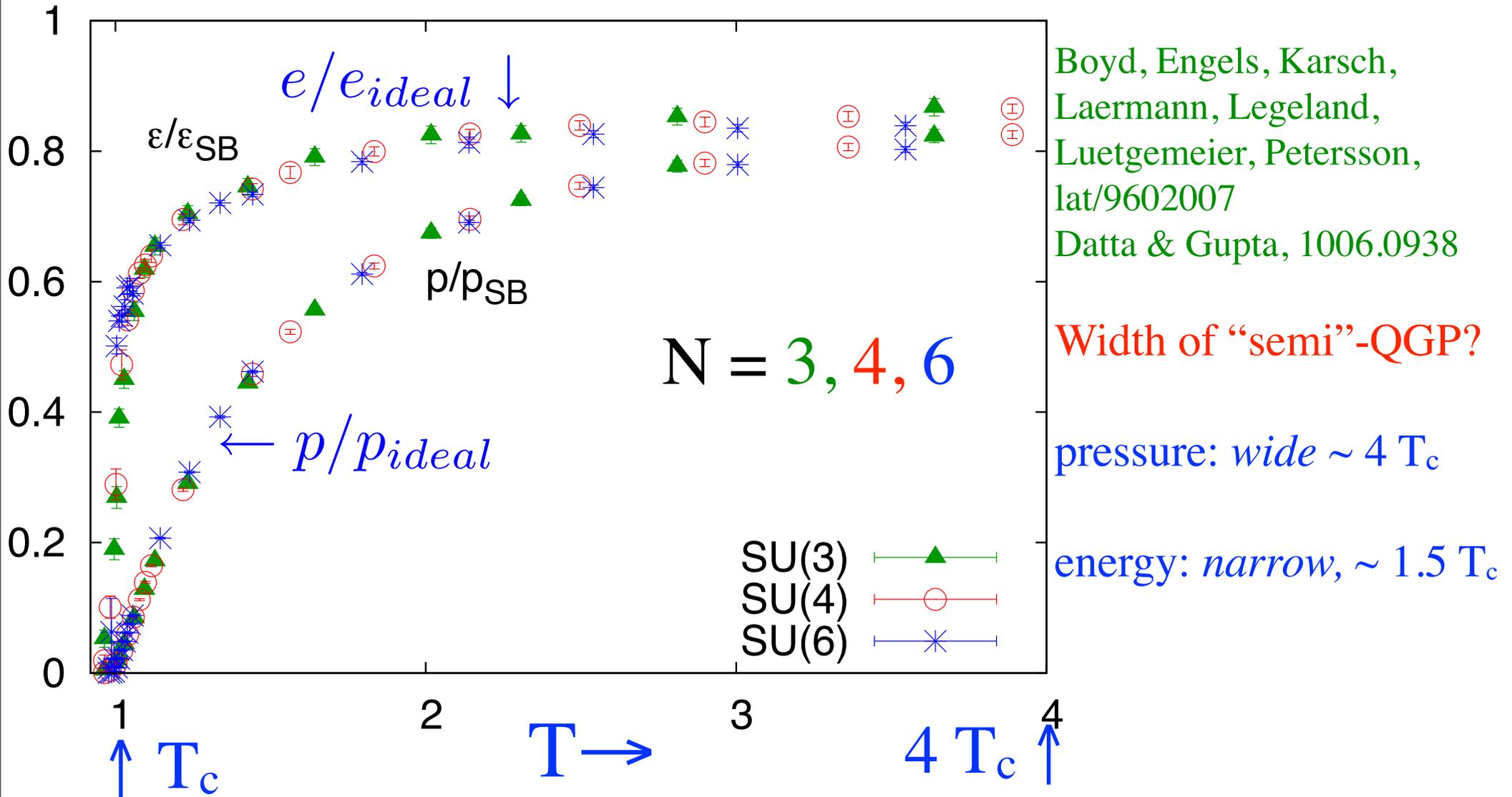
*Not* just the pressure...

# Lattice: SU(N) thermodynamics $\approx$ independent of N

SU(N) gauge theories *without* quarks, temperature  $T \neq 0$

Scaled by ideal gas, energy “e” and pressure “p” *approximately* independent of N.

e and p  $\approx 0$  below  $T_c$ :  $\sim N^2 - 1$  gluons above  $T_c$ , vs  $\sim 1$  hadrons below.



# Lattice: peak in conformal anomaly

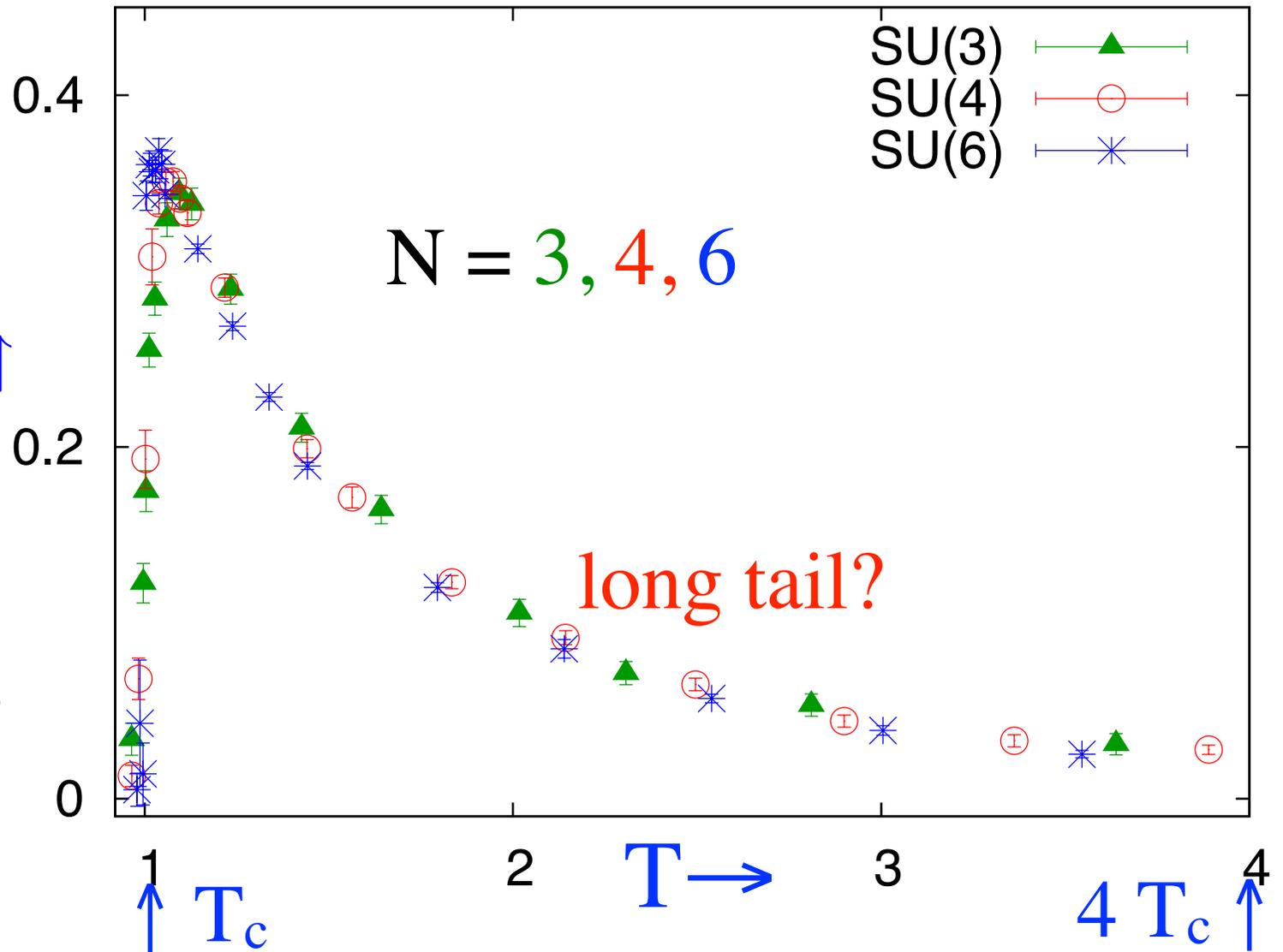
For SU(N), “peak” in  $e-3p/T^4$  just above  $T_c$ . *Approximately* uniform in N.

*Not* near  $T_c$ : transition *2nd* order for  $N = 2$ , *1st* order for *all*  $N \geq 3$

$N=3$ : *weakly* 1st order.  $N = \infty$ : *strongly* 1st order (latent heat  $\sim N^2$ )

$$\frac{1}{N^2 - 1} \frac{e - 3p}{T^4}$$

↑



Datta & Gupta, 1006.0938



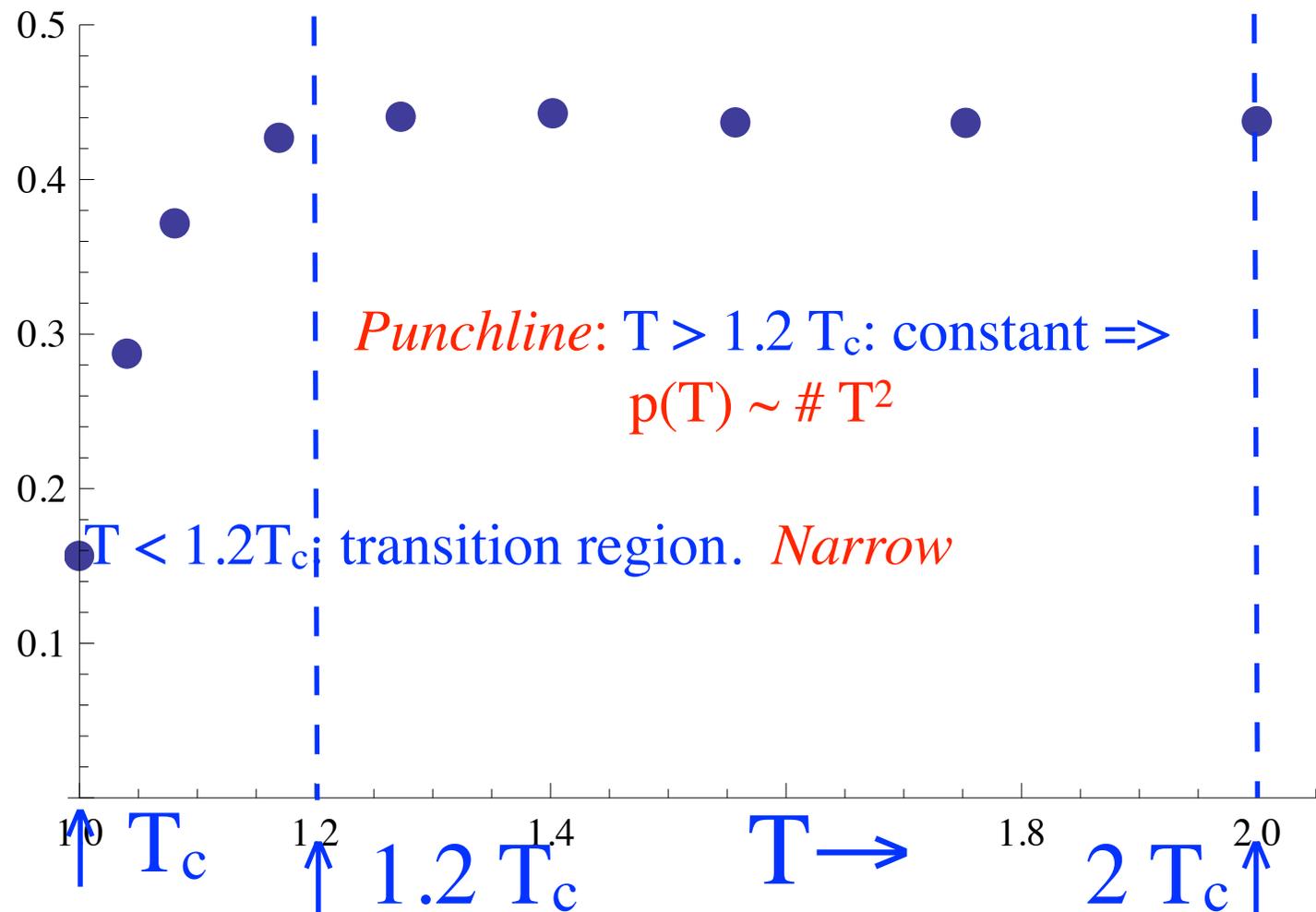
# Lattice: *precise* results for three colors

Lattice: WHOT. Change # time steps at fixed lattice scale. Higher precision,  $\pm 1\%$

$$T : 1.2 \rightarrow 2 T_c : \frac{e - 3p}{T^2} \approx (543 \text{ MeV})^2 \pm 1\%$$

$$p(T) \approx \# T^2 (T^2 - c T_c^2), \quad c = 1.00 \pm .01$$

$$\frac{1}{8} \frac{e - 3p}{T^2 T_c^2} \uparrow$$



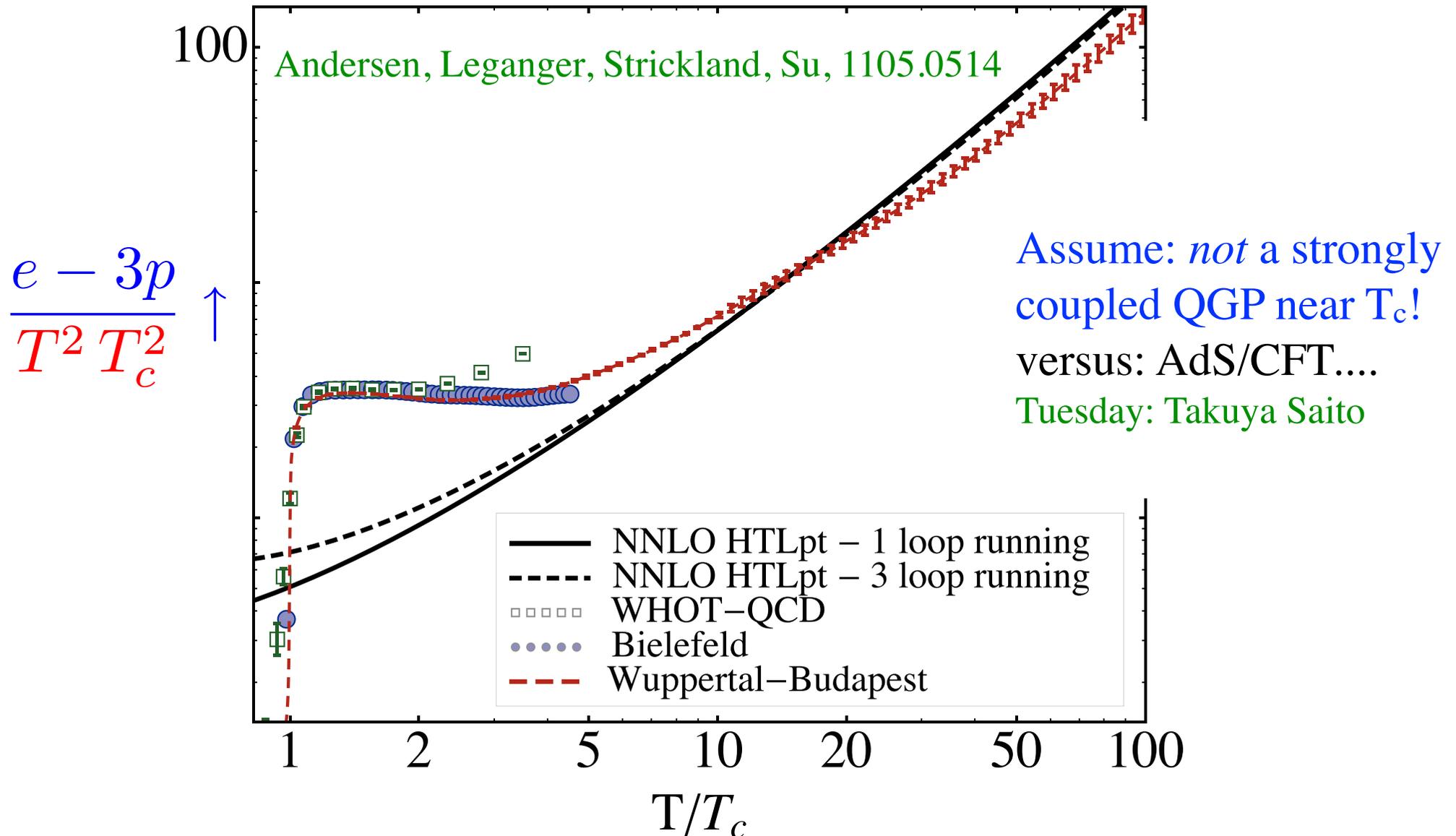
Umeda, Ejiri, Aoki, Hatsuda,  
 Kanaya, Maezawa, Ohno,  
 0809.2842  
 At XQCD11:  
 Shinji Ejiri, Kazayuki Kanaya

# Not strong coupling, even at $T_c$

QCD coupling runs like  $\alpha(2\pi T)$ , *intermediate* at  $T_c$ ,  $\alpha(2\pi T_c) \sim 0.3$

Braaten & Nieto, hep-ph/9501375, Laine & Schröder, hep-ph/0503061 & 0603048

HTL resummed perturbation theory, NNLO, good to  $\sim 8 T_c$ :



# “Hidden” Z(2) spins in SU(2)

Consider *constant* gauge transformation:

$$U_c = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = -\mathbf{1}$$

As  $U_c \sim \mathbf{1}$ , locally gluons *invariant*:

$$A_\mu \rightarrow U_c^\dagger A_\mu U_c = + A_\mu$$

Nonlocally, Wilson *line* changes:

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathcal{P} e^{ig \int_0^{1/T} A_0 d\tau} \rightarrow -\mathbf{L}$$

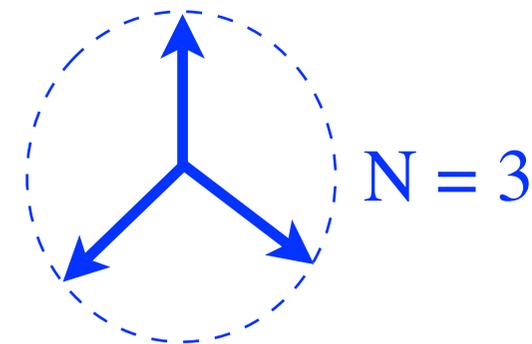
$\mathbf{L} \sim$  propagator for “test” quark.

SU(3):  $\det U_c = 1 \Rightarrow$

$$j = 0, 1, 2$$

SU(N):  $U_c = e^{2\pi i j/N} \mathbf{1}$ : Z(N) symmetry.

$$U_c = e^{2\pi i j/3} \mathbf{1}$$



Z(N) spins of ‘t Hooft, *without* quarks

Quarks  $\sim$  background Z(N) field, *break* Z(N) sym.

$$\psi \rightarrow U_c \psi = -\psi$$

# Usual spins vs Polyakov Loop

$\mathbf{L} = \text{SU}(N)$  matrix, Polyakov loop  $l \sim \text{trace}$ :

$$l = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr } \mathbf{L}$$

Confinement:  $F_{\text{test qk}} = \infty \Rightarrow \langle l \rangle = 0$

$$\langle l \rangle \sim e^{-F_{\text{test qk}}/T}$$

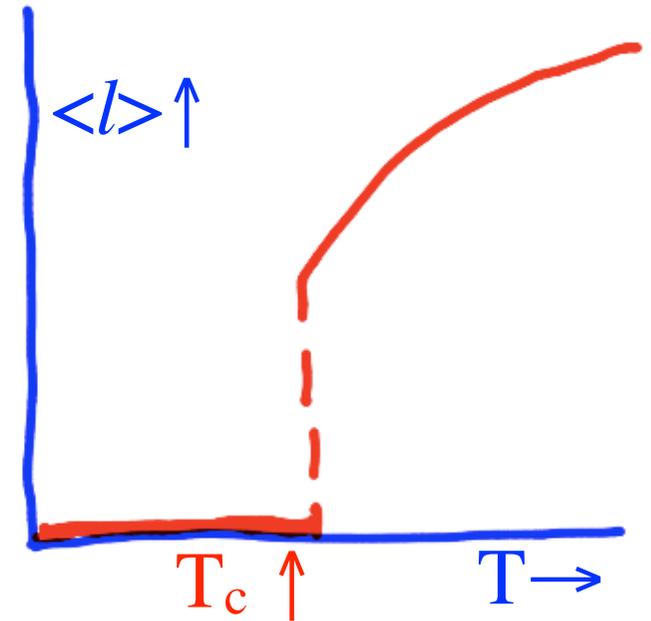
Above  $T_c$ ,  $F_{\text{test qk}} < \infty \Rightarrow \langle l \rangle \neq 0$

$\langle l \rangle$  measures ionization of color:  
*partial* ionization when  $0 < \langle l \rangle < 1$ : “semi”-QGP

Svetitsky and Yaffe '80:

SU(3) 1st order because Z(3) allows *cubic* terms:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \sim l^3 + (l^*)^3$$



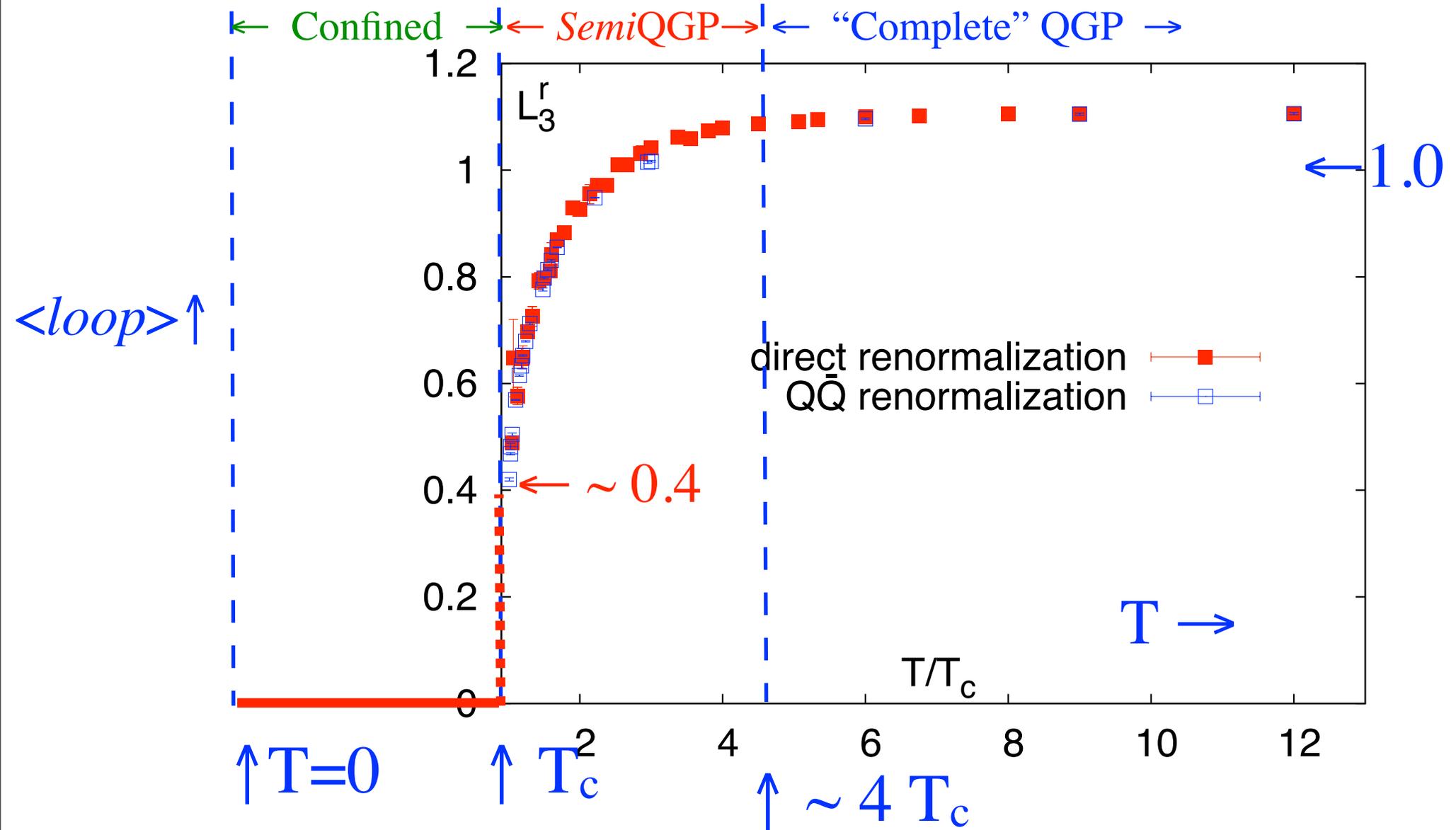
Does *not* apply for  $N > 3$ . *So why is deconfinement 1st order for all  $N \geq 3$ ?*

# Polyakov Loop from Lattice: pure Glue, no Quarks

Lattice: (*renormalized*) Polyakov loop. Strict order parameter

Three colors: Gupta, Hubner, Kaczmarek, 0711.2251.

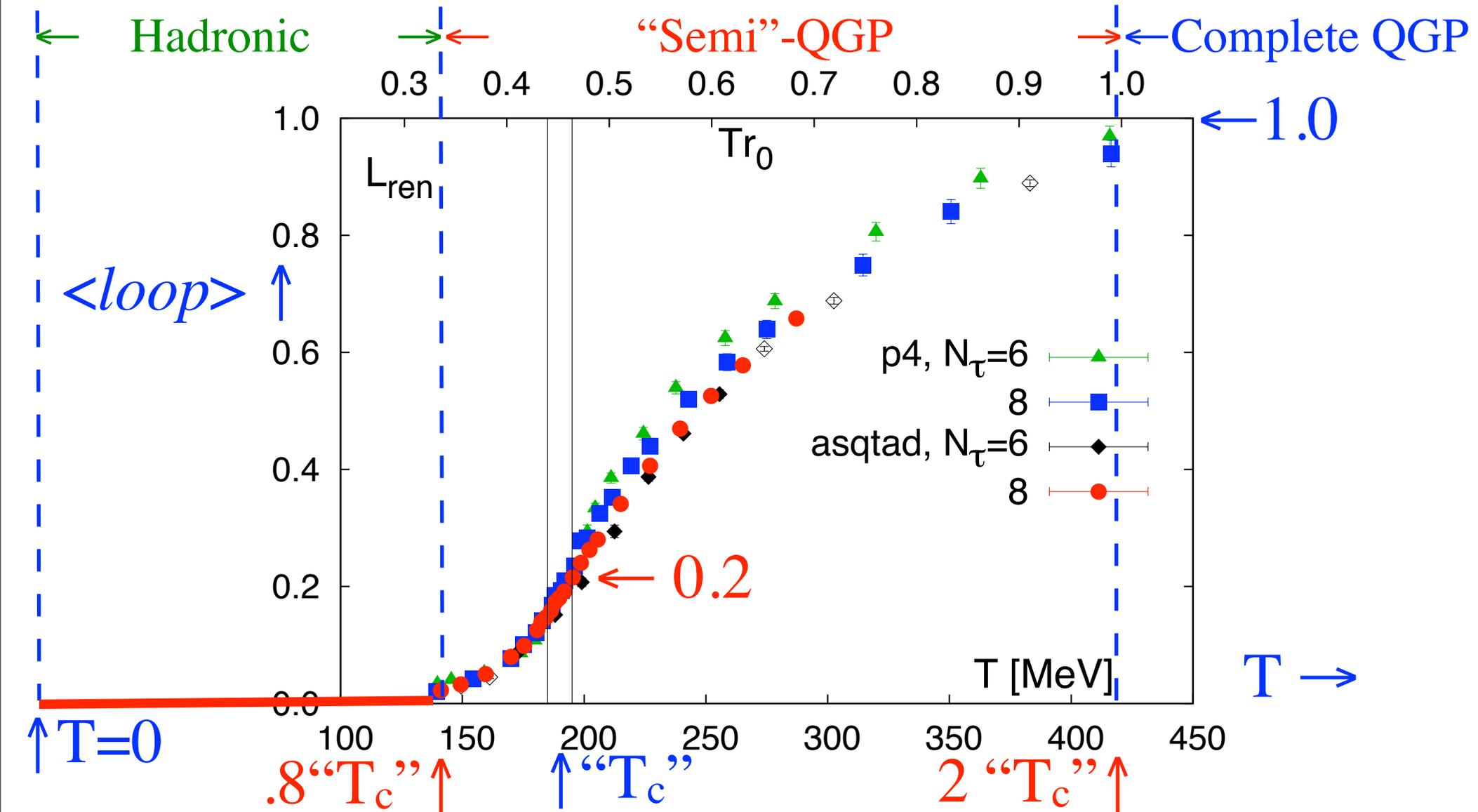
Suggests *wide* transition region, like pressure, to  $\sim 4 T_c$ .



# Polyakov Loop from Lattice: Glue plus Quarks, “ $T_c$ ”

Quarks  $\sim$  background  $Z(3)$  field. Lattice: Bazavov et al, 0903.4379.

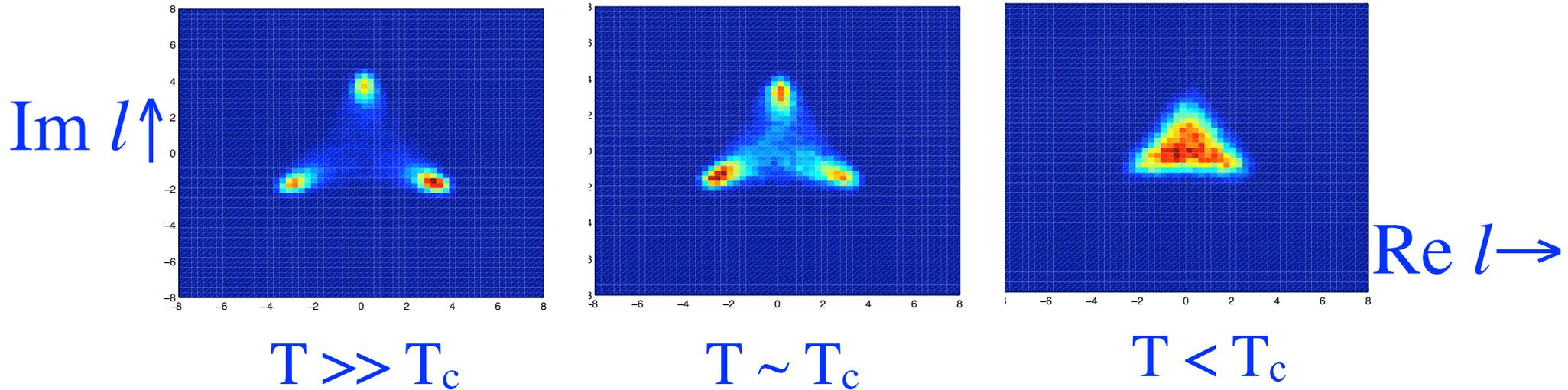
3 quark flavors: *weak*  $Z(3)$  field, does *not* wash out approximate  $Z(3)$  symmetry.



# Interface tensions: order-order & order-disorder

Lattice, A. Kurkela, unpub.'d: 3 colors, loop  $l$  complex.

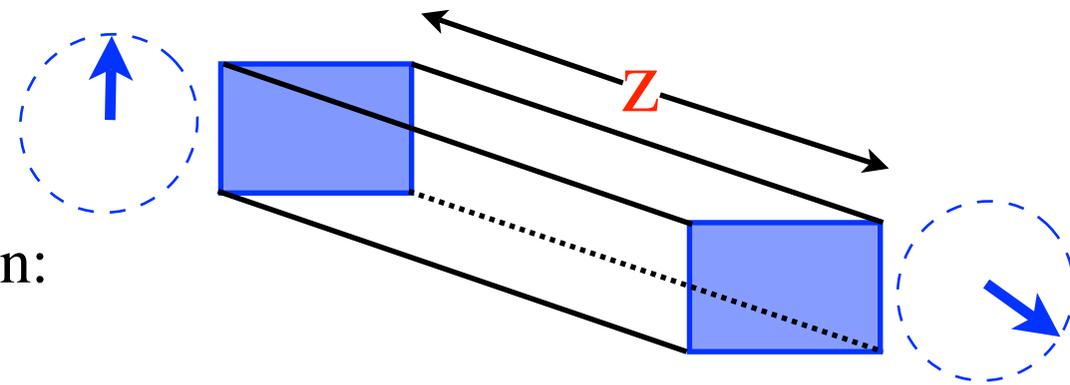
Distribution of loop shows  $Z(3)$  symmetry:



Interface tension: box long in  $z$ .

Each end: distinct but *degenerate* vacua.

Interface forms, action  $\sim$  interface tension:



$T > T_c$ : order-order interface = 't Hooft loop:

measures response to *magnetic charge*

Korthals-Altes, Kovner, & Stephanov, hep-ph/9909516

$$Z \sim e^{-\sigma_{int} V_{tr}}$$

Also: *if* trans. 1st order, order-*disorder* interface at  $T_c$ .

# Lattice: order-order interface tensions $\sigma$

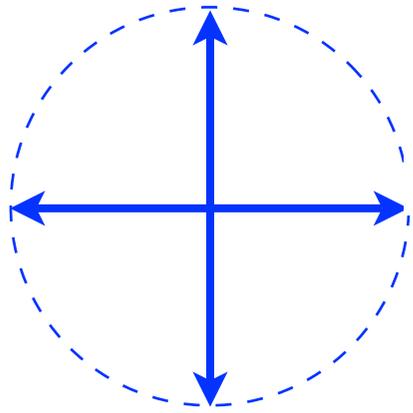
Lattice: de Forcrand & Noth, lat/0510081.  $\sigma \sim$  universal with  $N$

Semi-classical  $\sigma$  : Giovanengelli & Korthals-Altes ph/0102022; /0212298; /0412322: *GKA '04*

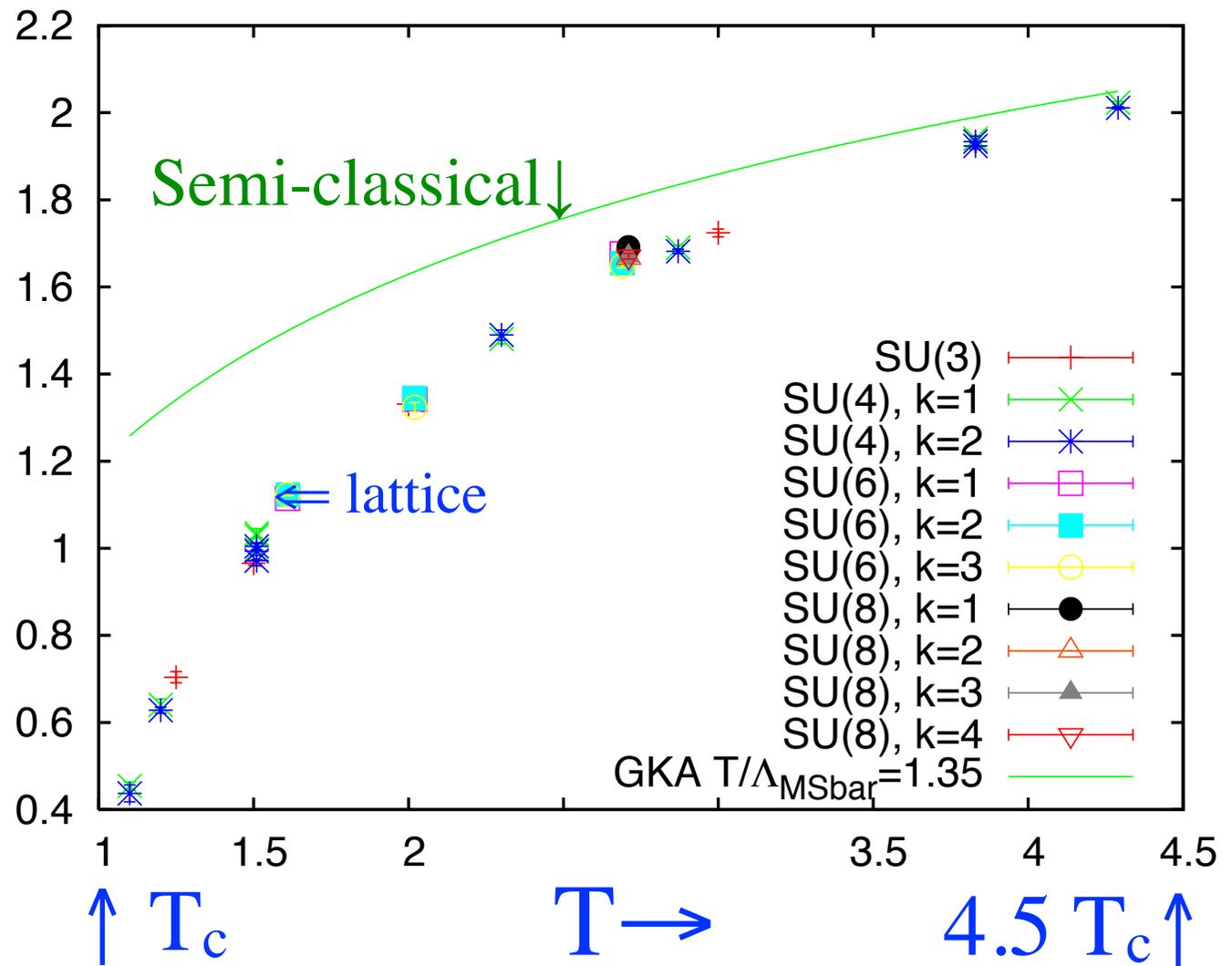
Above  $4 T_c$ , semi-class  $\sigma \sim$  lattice. Below  $4 T_c$ , lattice  $\sigma \ll$  semi-classical  $\sigma$ .

Even so, when  $N > 3$ , *all* tensions satisfy “Casimir scaling” at  $T > 1.2 T_c$ .

$$\frac{\sigma_k}{T^2 k(N-k)} \quad \uparrow$$



$N = 4$



# Lattice: $A_0$ mass as $T \rightarrow T_c$ - *up or down?*

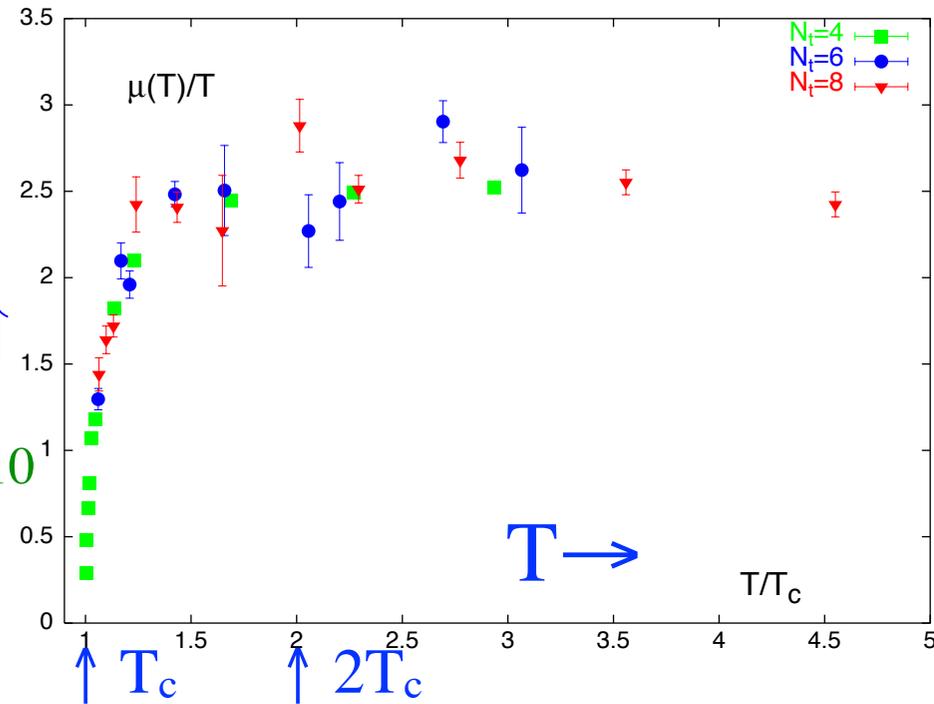
Gauge invariant: 2 pt function of loops:

$$\langle \text{tr } \mathbf{L}^\dagger(x) \text{tr } \mathbf{L}(0) \rangle \sim e^{-\mu x} / x^d$$

$\mu/T$  goes *down* as  $T \rightarrow T_c$

Kaczmarek, Karsch, Laermann, Lutgemeier lat/9908010

$$\frac{\mu}{T} \uparrow$$



Gauge dependent: singlet potential

$$\langle \text{tr } (\mathbf{L}^\dagger(x) \mathbf{L}(0)) \rangle \sim e^{-m_D x} / x$$

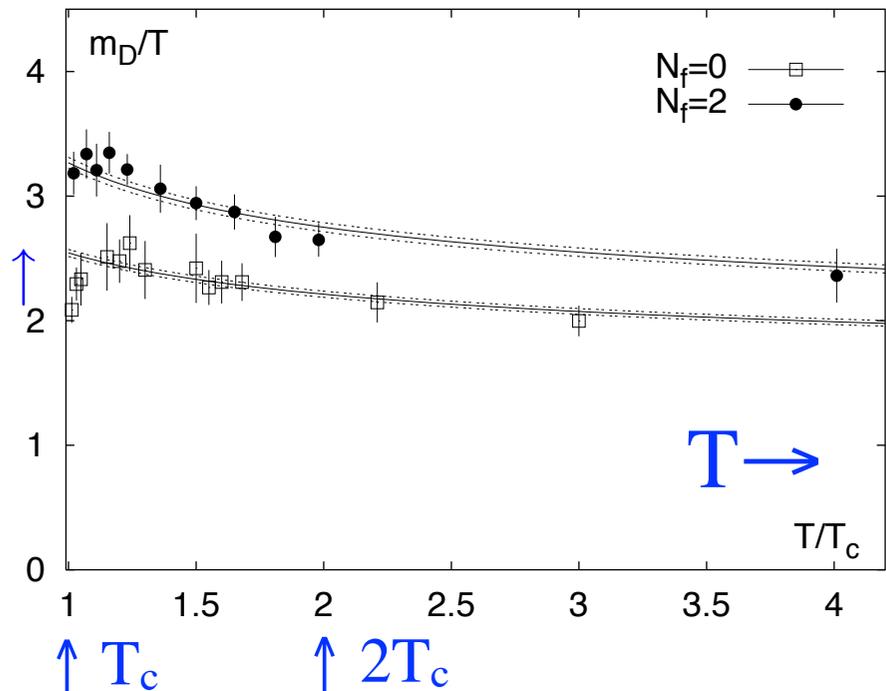
$m_D/T$  goes *up* as  $T \rightarrow T_c$

Cucchieri, Karsch, Petreczky lat/0103009,

Kaczmarek, Zantow lat/0503017

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$$\frac{m_D}{T} \uparrow$$



*Which way do masses go as  $T \rightarrow T_c$ ?*

*Both are constant above  $\sim 1.5 T_c$ .*

# Other models

Fit *only* the pressure, *not* interface tensions.

Masses as  $T \rightarrow T_c^+$ :

some go *up* (massive gluons)

some go *down* (Polyakov loops)

# Models for the “s”QGP, $T_c$ to $4 T_c$

1. **Massive gluons:** Peshier, Kampf, Pavlenko, Soff '96...Castorina, Miller, Satz 1101.1255  
Castorina, Greco, Jaccarino, Zappala 1105.5902

Mass decreases pressure, so adjust  $m(T)$  to fit  $p(T)$ . **Simple model.**

Gluons *very* massive near  $T_c$ .

$$p(T) = \# T^4 - m^2 T^2 + \dots$$

2. **Polyakov loops:** Fukushima ph/0310121...Hell, Kashiwa, Weise 1104.0572

Monday: *Masanobu Yahiro, Yuji Sakai*. Tuesday: *Takahiro Sasaki*

Effective potential of Polyakov loops.

Potential has 5 parameters...

With quarks, at  $T \neq 0$ , can go from  $\mu = 0$  to  $\mu \neq 0$

$$V_{eff}(T) \sim m^2 \ell^* \ell + T \log f(\ell^* \ell)$$

$$m^2 = T^4 \sum_{i=0}^3 a_i (T_c/T)^i$$

3. **AdS/CFT:** Gubser, Nellore 0804.0434...Gursoy, Kiritsis, Mazzanti, Nitti, 0903.2859

Add potential for dilaton,  $\phi$ , to fit pressure.

Only infinite N. Relatively simple potential,

$$V(\phi) \sim \cosh(\gamma\phi) + b\phi^2$$

4. **Monopoles:** Liao & Shuryak, 0804.0255. **Vortices:** Tuesday: *Takuya Saito*

# Matrix model: two colors

*Simple approximation*

Two colors: transition 2nd order, vs 1st for  $N \geq 3$

Using large  $N$  expansion at  $N = 2$

# Matrix model: SU(2)

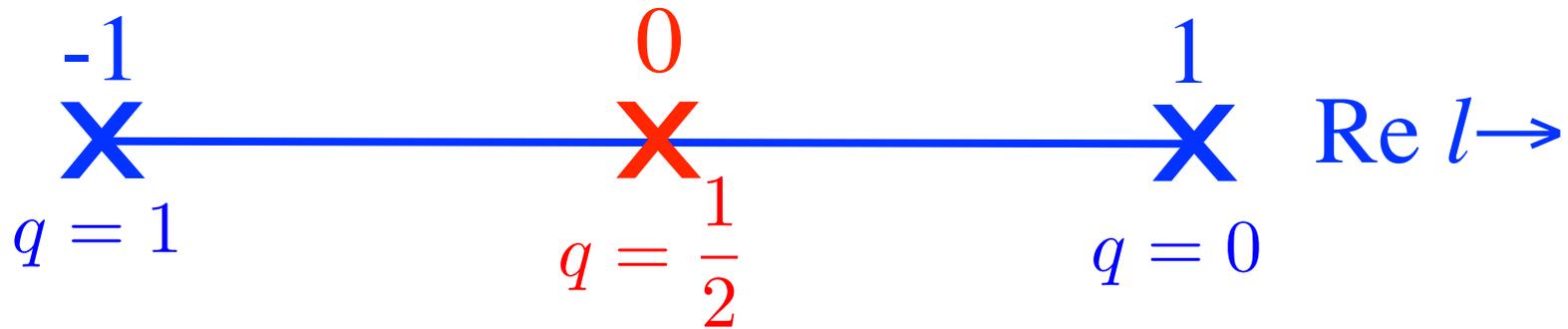
Simple approximation: constant  $A_0 \sim \sigma_3$ , nonperturbative,  $\sim 1/g$ :

$$A_0^{cl} = \frac{\pi T}{g} q \sigma_3 \quad \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{L}(q) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\pi q} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\pi q} \end{pmatrix}$$

Single dynamical field,  $q$

Loop  $l$  real.  $Z(2)$  degenerate vacua  $q = 0$  and  $1$ :

$$l = \cos(\pi q)$$



Point halfway in between:  $q = 1/2$ ,  $l = 0$ .

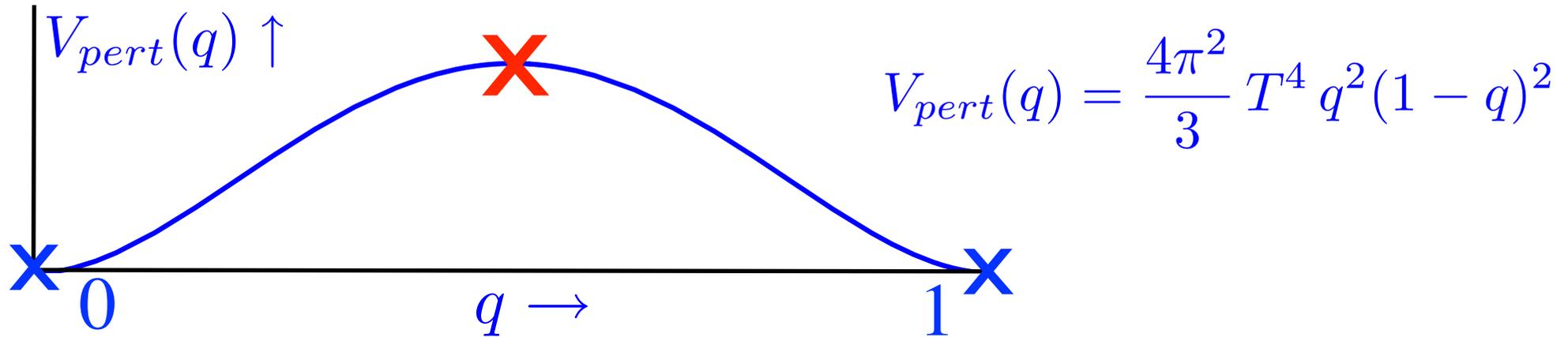
Confined vacuum,  $\mathbf{L}_c$ ,

$$\mathbf{L}_c = \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix}$$

Classically,  $A_0^{cl}$  has zero action: *no* potential for  $q$ .

# Potential for $q$ , interface tension

Computing to one loop order about  $A_0^{\text{cl}}$  gives a potential for  $q$ : Gross, RDP, Yaffe, '81



Use  $V_{pert}(q)$  to compute  $\sigma$ : Bhattacharya, Gocksch, Korthals-Altes, RDP, ph/9205231.

$$V_{tot}(q) = \frac{2\pi^2 T^2}{g^2} \left( \frac{dq}{dz} \right)^2 + V_{pert}(q) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sigma = \frac{4\pi^2}{3\sqrt{6}} \frac{T^2}{\sqrt{g^2}}$$

Balancing  $S_{cl} \sim 1/g^2$  and  $V_{pert} \sim 1$  gives  $\sigma \sim 1/\sqrt{g^2}$  (not  $1/g^2$ ).

Width interface  $\sim 1/g$ , justifies expansion about constant  $A_0^{\text{cl}}$ . GKA '04:  $\sigma \sim \dots + g^2$

# Symmetries of the $q$ 's

Wilson line  $\mathbf{L}$  *not* gauge invariant,  $\mathbf{L} \rightarrow \Omega^\dagger \mathbf{L} \Omega$ .

Its eigenvalues,  $e^{\pm i\pi q}$ , are.

$$\mathbf{L}(q) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\pi q} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\pi q} \end{pmatrix}$$

Ordering of  $\mathbf{L}$ 's eigenvalues irrelevant.

Symmetries:  $q \rightarrow q + 2$  :  $q$  angular variable. Valid with quarks.

Pure glue: also,  $q \rightarrow q + 1$ ,  $Z(2)$  transf.,  $\mathbf{L} \rightarrow -\mathbf{L}$

For pure glue, can restrict  $q$ :  $0 \rightarrow 1$ .

Then  $Z(2)$  transf.  $q \rightarrow 1 - q$ :

$Z(2)$  transf., *plus* exchange of eigenvalues

$$\mathbf{L}(1 - q) = - \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\pi q} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi q} \end{pmatrix}$$

*Any potential of  $q$  must be invariant under  $q \rightarrow 1 - q$*

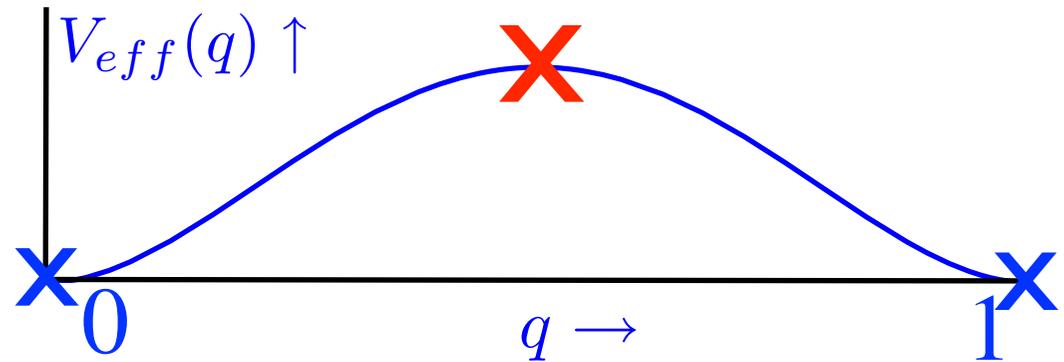
# Potentials for the $q$ 's

Add *non-perturbative* terms, by *hand*, to generate  $\langle q \rangle \neq 0$  :

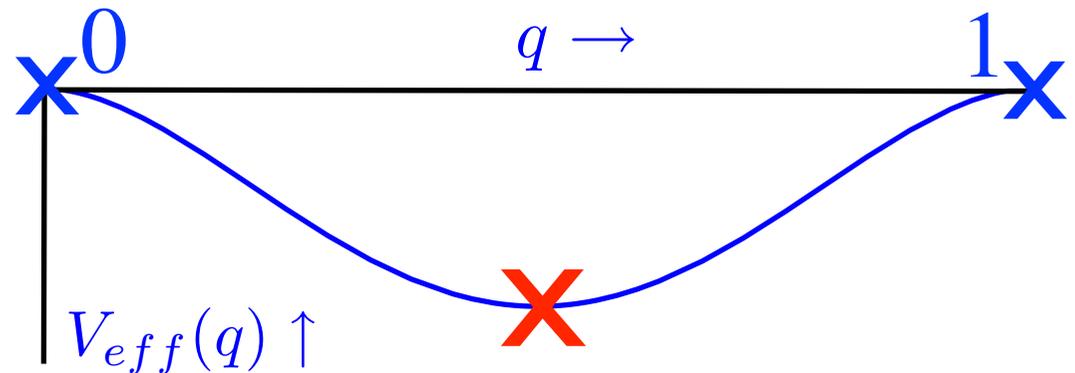
*By hand?*  $V_{\text{non}}(q)$  from: monopoles, vortices...

$$V_{\text{eff}}(q) = V_{\text{pert}}(q) + V_{\text{non}}(q)$$

$T \gg T_c$ :  $\langle q \rangle = 0, 1 \rightarrow$



$T < T_c$ :  $\langle q \rangle = 1/2 \rightarrow$



# Three possible “phases”

Two phases are familiar:

$\langle q \rangle = 0, 1$ :  $\langle l \rangle = \pm 1$ : “Complete” QGP: usual perturbation theory.  $T \gg T_c$ .

$\langle q \rangle = 1/2$ :  $\langle l \rangle = 0$ : confined phase.  $T < T_c$

There is also a *third* phase, “partially” deconfined

$0 < \langle q \rangle < 1/2$ :  $\langle l \rangle < 1$ : “semi”-QGP. From some  $x$   $T_c > T > T_c$   $x$ ?

So *two* phase transitions are possible.

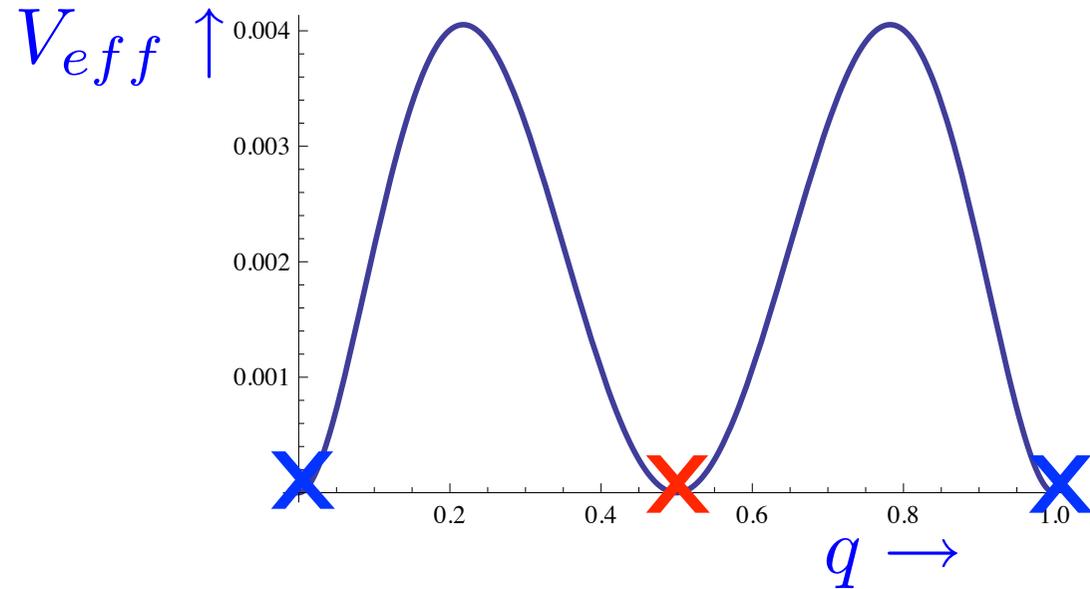
Lattice: *one* transition, to confined phase, at  $T_c$ . *No* other transition above  $T_c$ .

Still, there is an intermediate phase, the “semi”-QGP

*Strongly* constrains possible non-perturbative terms,  $V_{\text{non}}(q)$ .

# Getting three “phases”, one transition

Simple guess:  $V_{\text{non}} \sim \text{loop}^2$ ,



$$V_{eff} \sim \frac{a}{\pi^2} (\ell^2 - 1) + q^2(1 - q)^2$$
$$\sim q^2(1 - a) - 2q^3 + \dots$$

1st order transition *directly* from complete QGP to confined phase, *not* 2nd

Generic if  $V_{\text{non}}(q) \sim q^2$  at  $q \ll 1$ .

Easy to avoid, *if*  $V_{\text{non}}(q) \sim q$  for small  $q$ . Then  $\langle q \rangle \neq 0$  at all T.

Imposing the symmetry of  $q \leftrightarrow 1 - q$ ,  $V_{\text{non}}(q)$  *must include*

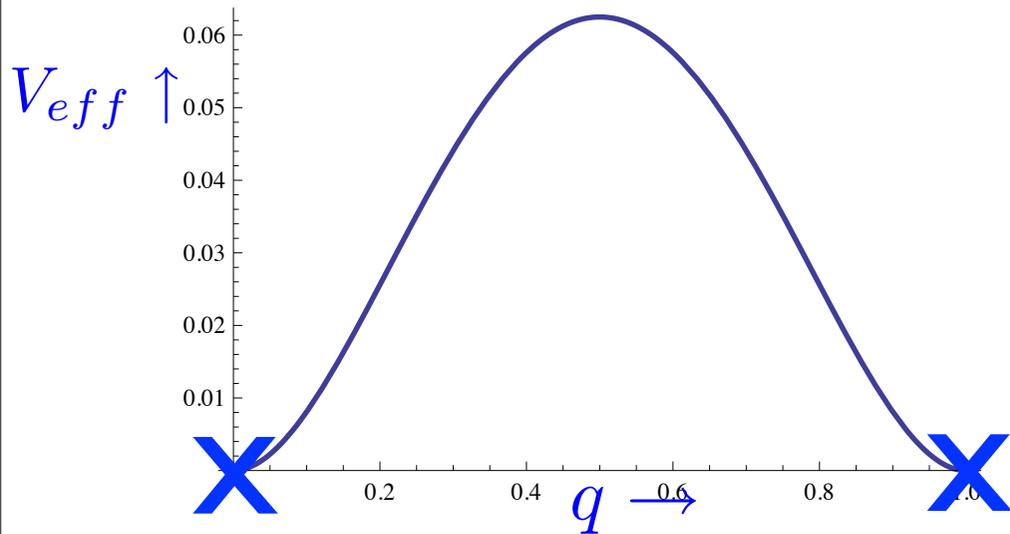
$$V_{\text{non}}(q) \sim q(1 - q)$$

# Cartoons of deconfinement

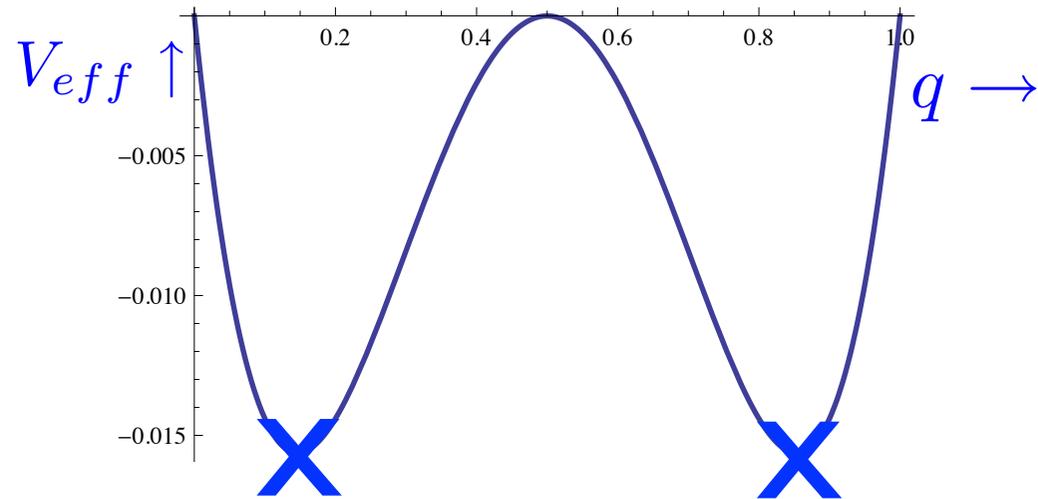
Consider:

$$V_{eff} = q^2(1 - q)^2 - a q(1 - q), \quad a \sim T_c^2 / T^2$$

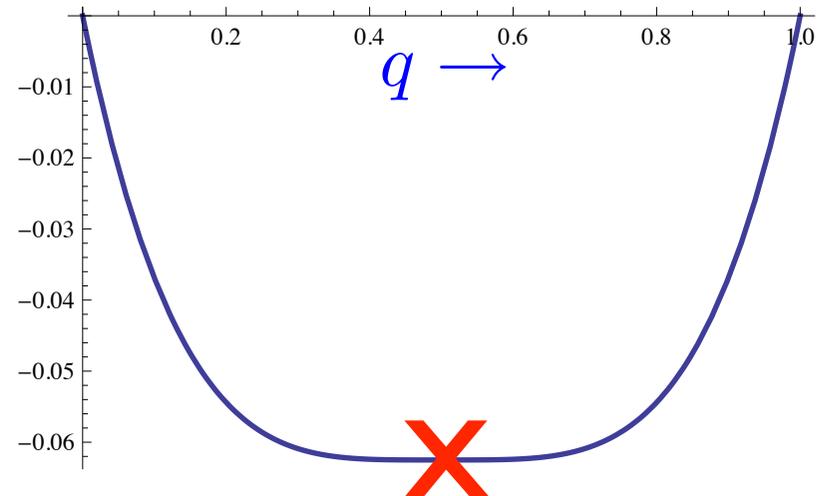
↓  $a = 0$ : complete QGP



↓  $a = 1/4$ : semi QGP



$a = 1/2$ :  $T_c \Rightarrow$   
Stable vacuum at  $q = 1/2$   
Transition *second order*



# 0-parameter matrix model, $N = 2$

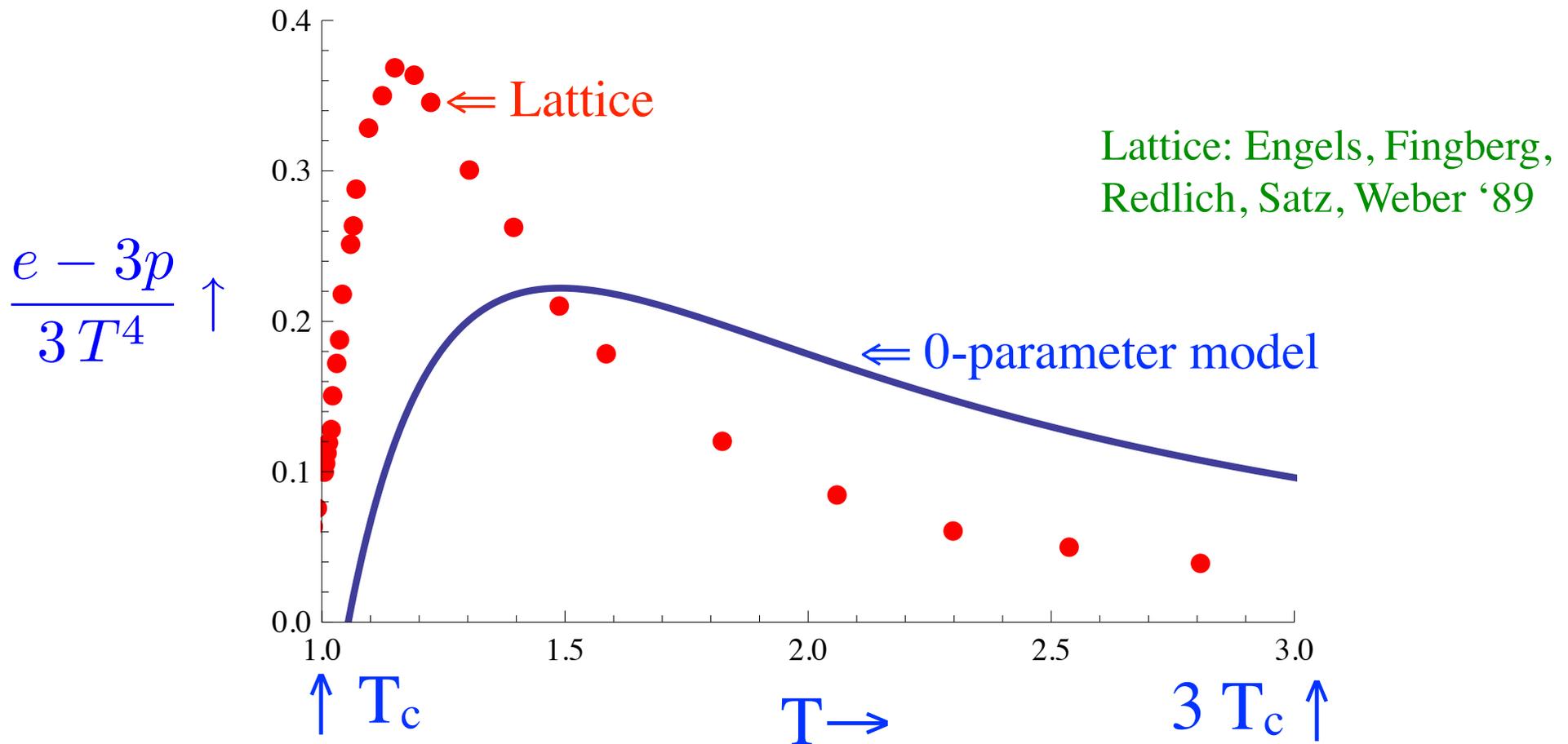
Meisinger, Miller, Ogilvie ph/0108009, MMO:

take  $V_{\text{non}} \sim T^2$

$$V_{\text{non}}(q) = \frac{4\pi^2}{3} T^2 T_c^2 \left( -\frac{c_1}{5} q(1-q) + \frac{c_3}{15} \right)$$

Two conditions: transition occurs at  $T_c$ , pressure( $T_c$ ) = 0

Fixes  $c_1$  and  $c_3$ , no free parameters. Not close to lattice data (from '89!)



# 1-parameter matrix model, $N = 2$

Dumitriu, Guo, Hidaka, Korthals-Altes, RDP '10: to usual perturbative potential,

$$V_{pert}(q) = \frac{4\pi^2}{3} T^4 \left( -\frac{1}{20} + q^2(1-q)^2 \right)$$

Add - *by hand* - a non-pert. potential  $V_{non} \sim T^2 T_c^2$ . Also add a term like  $V_{pert}$ :

$$V_{non}(q) = \frac{4\pi^2}{3} T^2 T_c^2 \left( -\frac{c_1}{5} q(1-q) - c_2 q^2(1-q)^2 + \frac{c_3}{15} \right)$$

Now just like any other mean field theory.  $\langle q \rangle$  given by minimum of  $V_{eff}$ :

$$V_{eff}(q) = V_{pert}(q) + V_{non}(q) \qquad \left. \frac{d}{dq} V_{eff}(q) \right|_{q=\langle q \rangle} = 0$$

$\langle q \rangle$  depends nontrivially on temperature.

Pressure value of potential at minimum:

$$p(T) = -V_{eff}(\langle q \rangle)$$

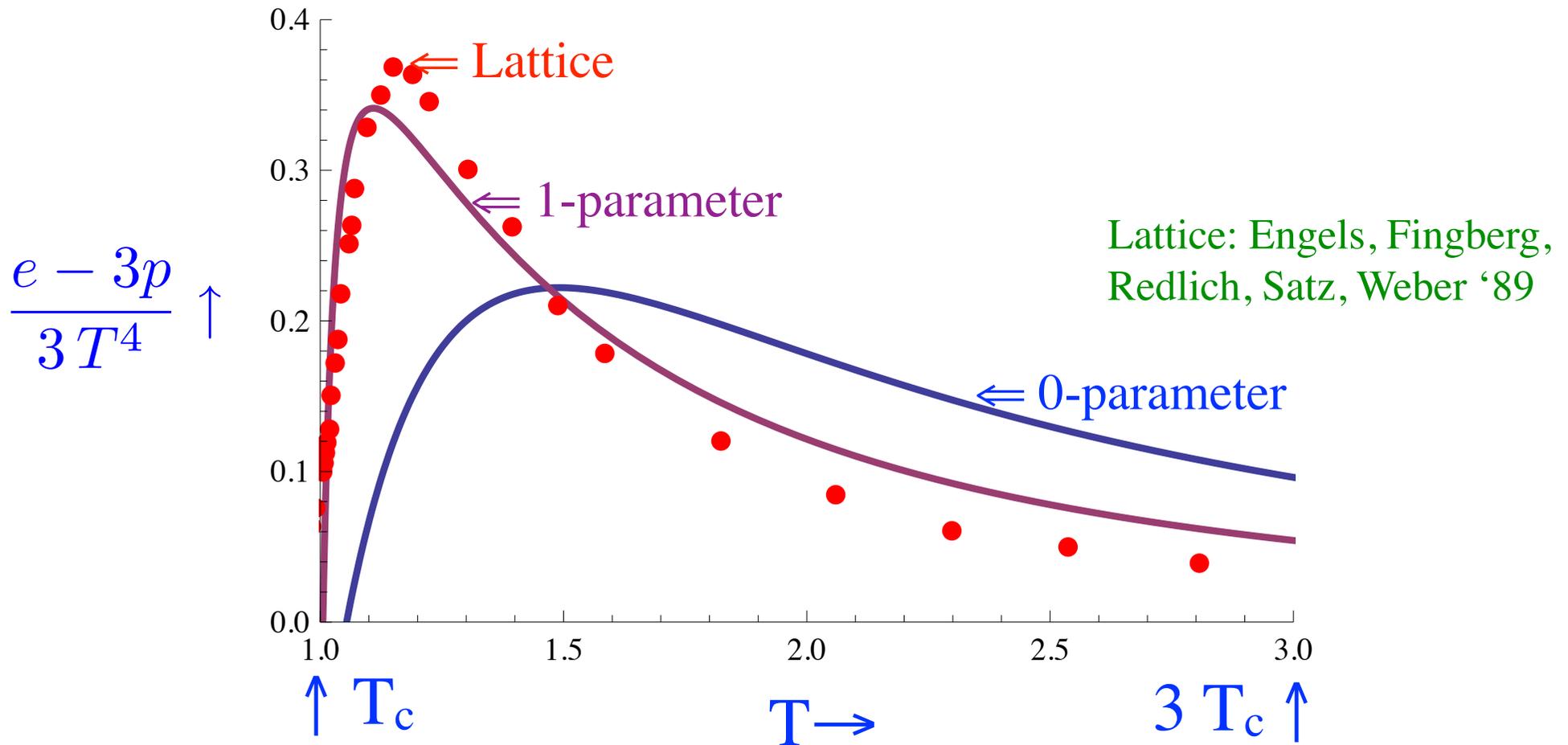
# Lattice vs matrix models, $N = 2$

Choose  $c_2$  to fit  $e-3p/T^4$ : optimal choice

$$c_1 = 0.23, c_2 = .91, c_3 = 1.11$$

Reasonable fit to  $e-3p/T^4$ ; also to  $p/T^4, e/T^4$ .

N.B.:  $c_2 \sim 1$ . At  $T_c$ , terms  $\sim q^2(1-q)^2$  almost cancel.

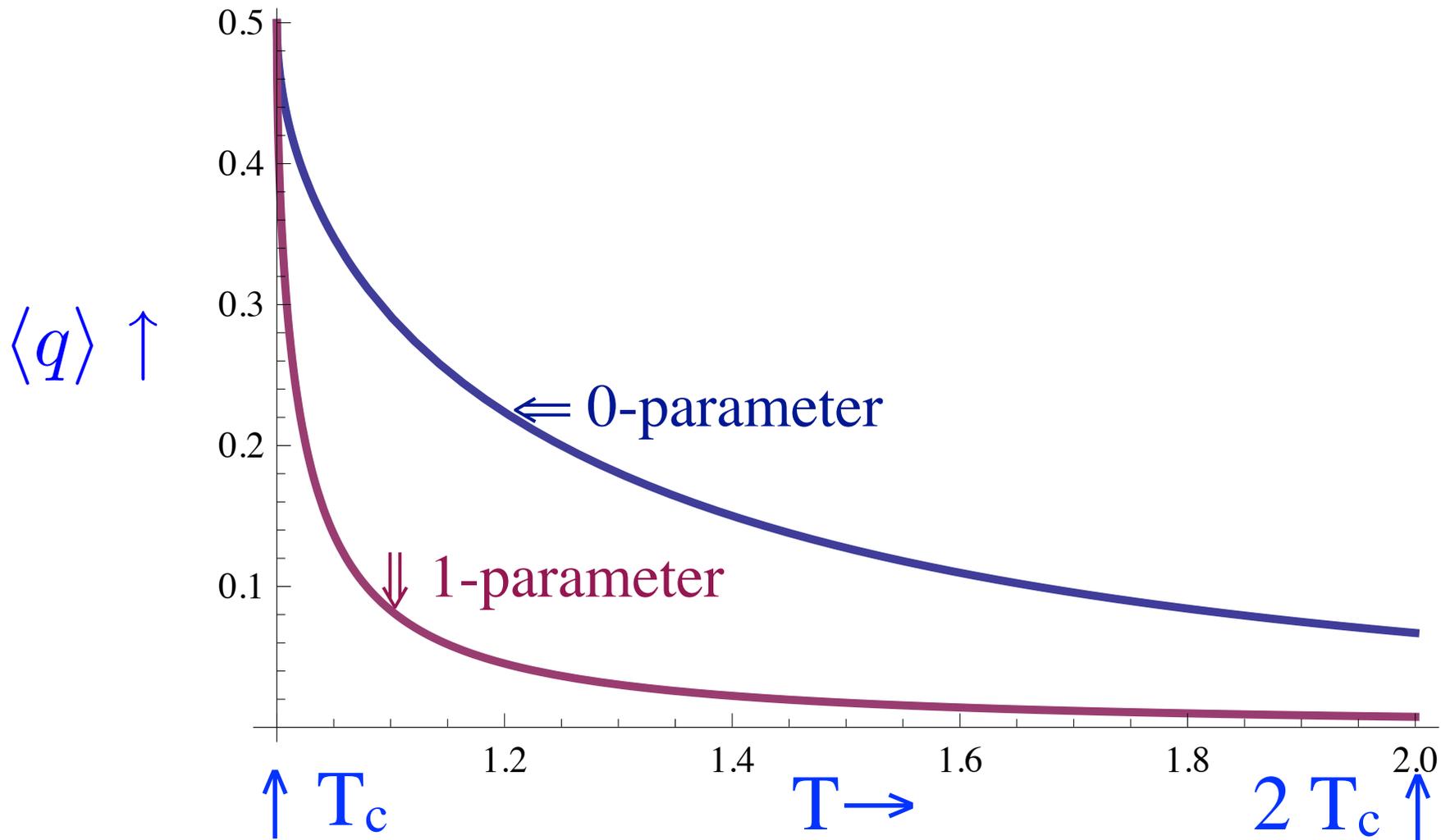


# Width of transition region, 0- vs 1-parameter

1-parameter model: get sharper  $e^{-3p/T^4}$  because  $\langle q \rangle \rightarrow 0$  *much* quicker above  $T_c$ .  
Physically: sharp  $e^{-3p/T^4}$  implies region where  $\langle q \rangle$  is significant is *narrow*

N.B.:  $\langle q \rangle \neq 0$  at all  $T$ , but numerically, *negligible* above  $\sim 1.2 T_c$ ;  $p \sim \langle q \rangle^2$ .

Above  $\sim 1.2 T_c$ , the  $T^2$  term in the pressure is due *entirely* to the *constant* term,  $c_3$ !



# Polyakov loop: 1-parameter matrix model $\neq$ lattice

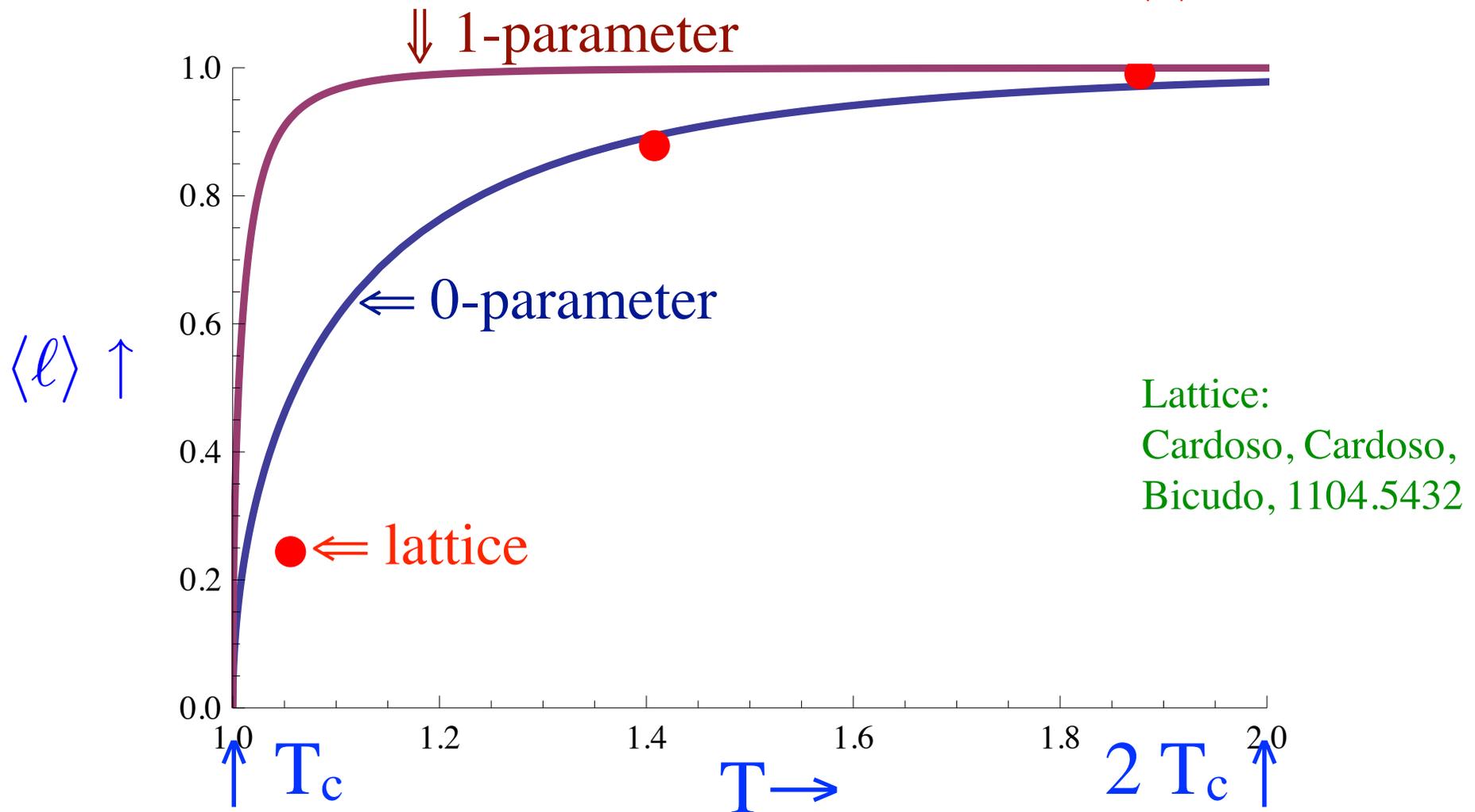
Lattice: *renormalized* Polyakov loop. Matrix model:  $\langle l \rangle = \cos(\pi q/2)$

0-parameter model: close to lattice

1-parameter model: *sharp* disagreement.  $\langle l \rangle$  rises to  $\sim 1$  *much* faster - ?

Ambiguity of zero point energy?

$$\langle l \rangle \rightarrow e^{-E_0/T} \langle l \rangle ?$$



# Interface tension, $N = 2$

$\sigma$  vanishes as  $T \rightarrow T_c$ ,  $\sigma \sim (t-1)^{2\nu}$ .

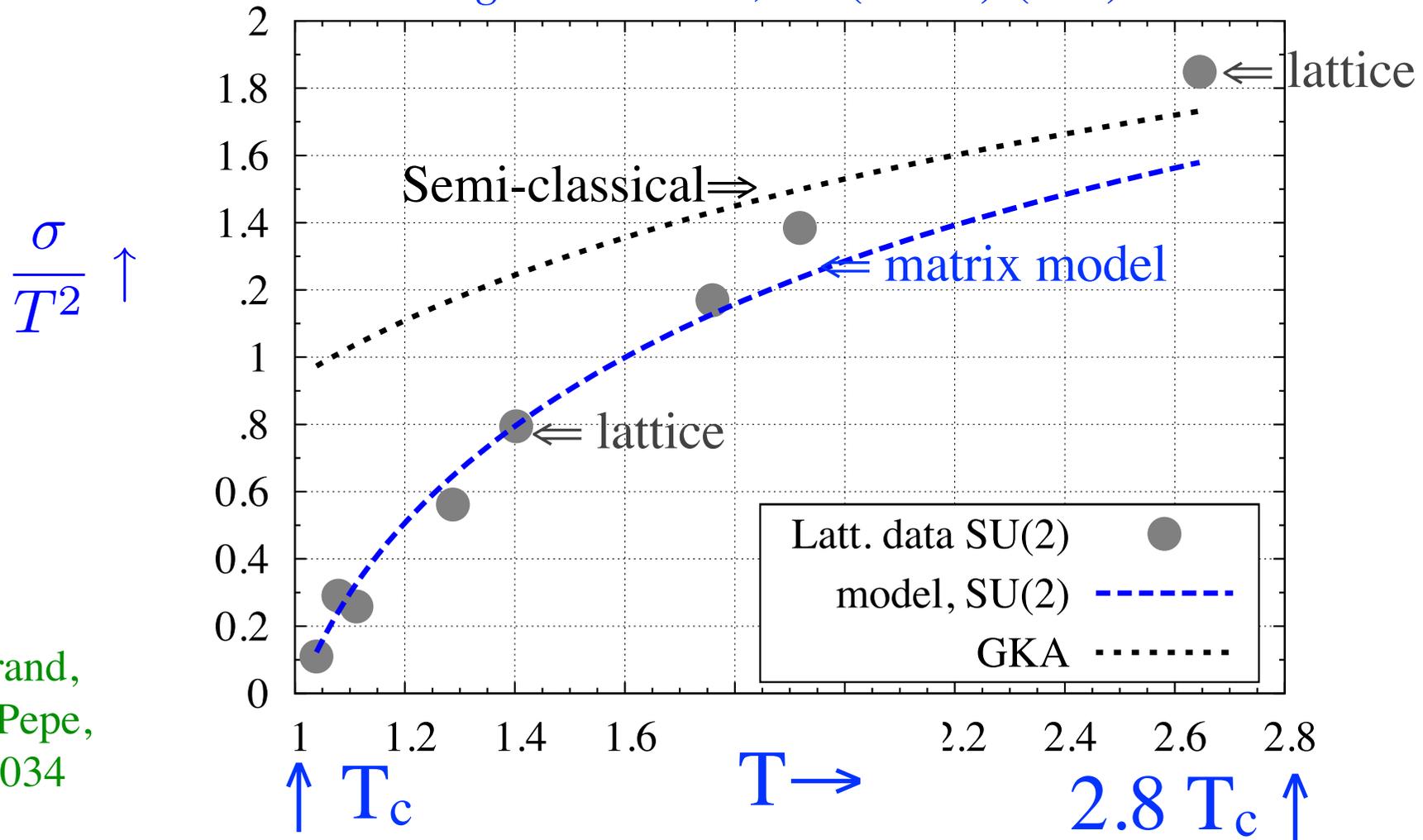
Ising  $2\nu \sim 1.26$ ; Lattice:  $\sim 1.32$ .

Matrix model:  $\sim 1.5$ :  $c_2$  important.

$$\sigma(T) = \frac{4\pi^2 T^2}{3\sqrt{6g^2}} \frac{(t^2 - 1)^{3/2}}{t(t^2 - c_2)}, \quad t = \frac{T}{T_c}$$

Semi-class.: GKA '04. Include corr.'s  $\sim g^2$  in matrix  $\sigma(T)$  (ok when  $T > 1.2 T_c$ )

N.B.: width of interface *diverges* as  $T \rightarrow T_c$ ,  $\sim \sqrt{(t^2 - c_2)/(t^2 - 1)}$ .



Lattice:  
de Forcrand,  
D'Elia, Pepe,  
lat/0007034

# Adjoint Higgs phase, $N = 2$

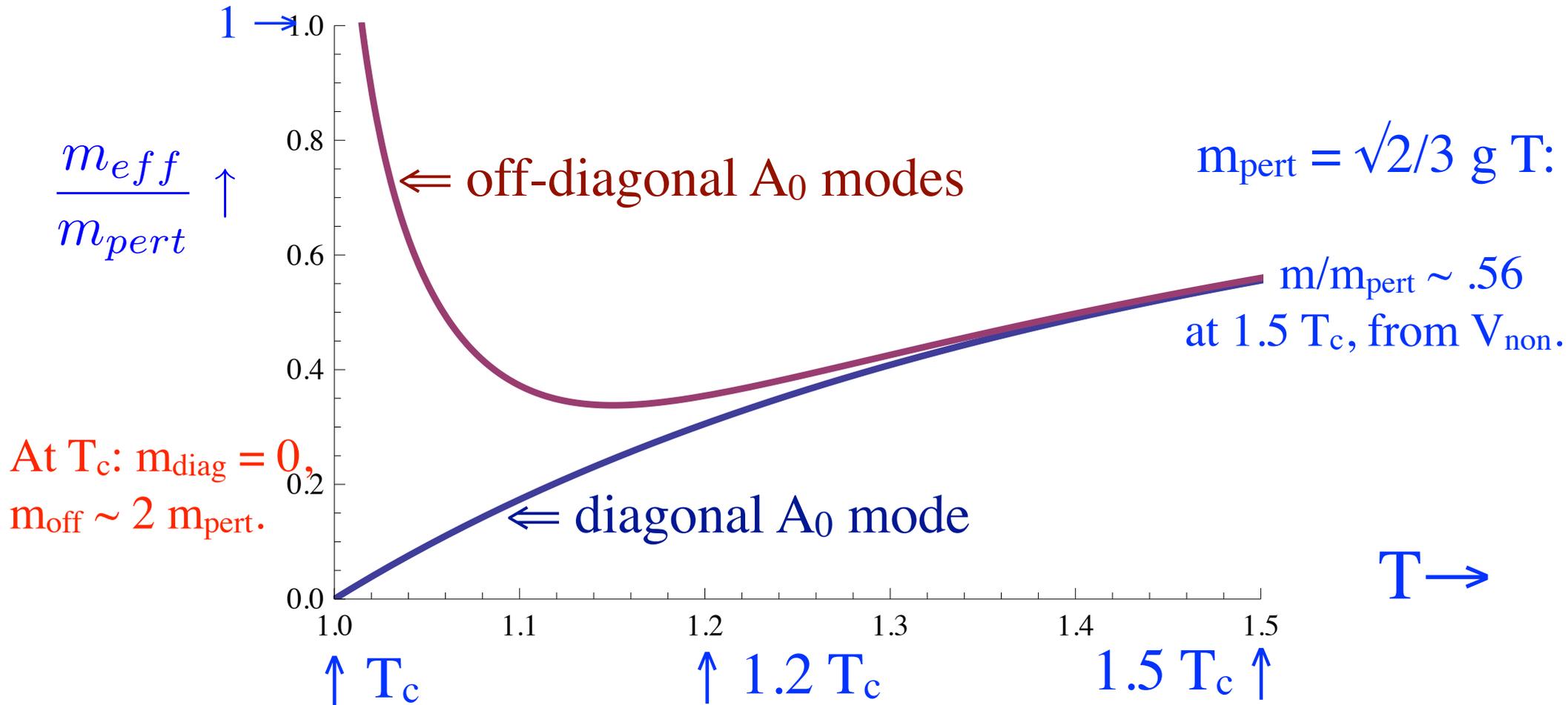
$A_0^{\text{cl}} \sim q \sigma_3$ , so  $\langle q \rangle \neq 0$  generates an (adjoint) Higgs phase:

RDP, ph/0608242; Unsal & Yaffe, 0803.0344, Simic & Unsal, 1010.5515

In background field,  $A = A_0^{\text{cl}} + A^{\text{qu}}$  :  $D_0^{\text{cl}} A^{\text{qu}} = \partial_0 A^{\text{qu}} + i g [A_0^{\text{cl}}, A^{\text{qu}}]$

Fluctuations  $\sim \sigma_3$  not Higgsed,  $\sim \sigma_{1,2}$  Higgsed, get mass  $\sim 2 \pi T \langle q \rangle$

Hence when  $\langle q \rangle \neq 0$ , for  $T < 1.2 T_c$ , *splitting of masses*:



# Matrix model: $N \geq 3$

Why the transition is *always* 1st order

One parameter model

# Path to Z(3), three colors

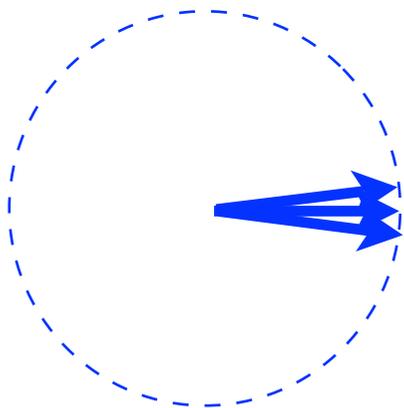
SU(3): *two* diagonal  $\lambda$ 's, so *two*  $q$ 's:

$$\lambda_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} ; \lambda_8 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_0 = \frac{2\pi T}{3g} (q_3 \lambda_3 + q_8 \lambda_8)$$

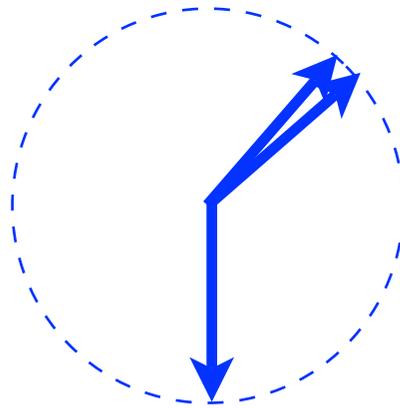
Z(3) paths: move along  $\lambda_8$ , not  $\lambda_3$ :  $q_8 \neq 0, q_3 = 0$ .

$$\mathbf{L} = e^{2\pi i q_8 \lambda_8 / 3}$$

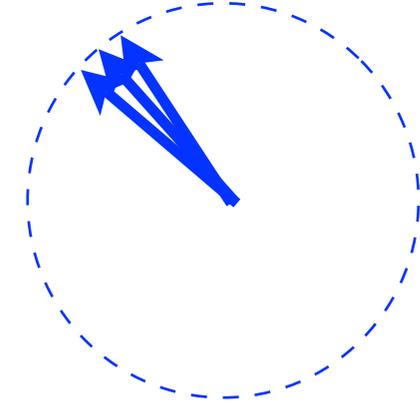


$$q_8 = 0$$

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{1}$$



$$q_8 = 3/8$$



$$q_8 = 1$$

$$\mathbf{L} = e^{2\pi i / 3} \mathbf{1}$$

# Path to confinement, three colors

Now move along  $\lambda_3$ :  $\mathbf{L} = e^{2\pi i q_3 \lambda_3 / 3}$

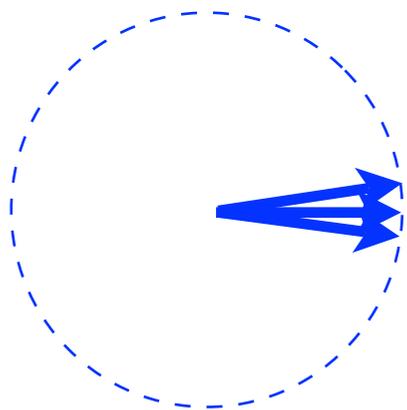
In particular, consider  $q_3 = 1$ :

Elements of  $e^{2\pi i/3} \mathbf{L}_c$  same as those of  $\mathbf{L}_c$ .

$$\mathbf{L}_c = \begin{pmatrix} e^{2\pi i/3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-2\pi i/3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

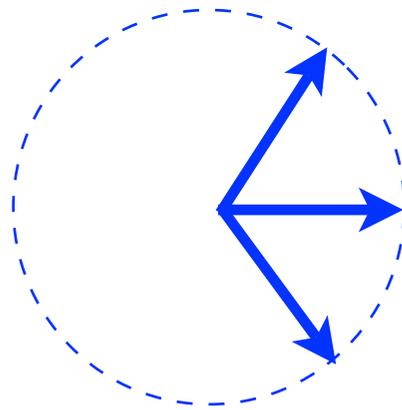
Hence  $\text{tr } \mathbf{L}_c = \text{tr } \mathbf{L}_c^2 = 0$ :  $\mathbf{L}_c$  *confining vacuum*

Path to confinement: along  $\lambda_3$ , not  $\lambda_8$ ,  $q_3 \neq 0$ ,  $q_8 = 0$ .



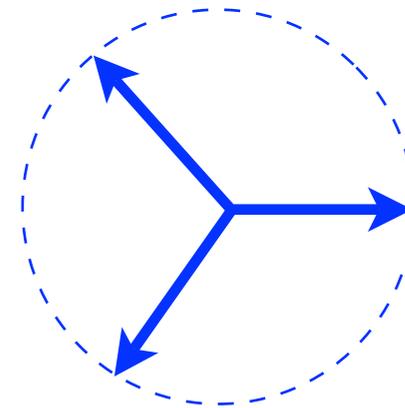
$$q_3 = 0$$

$$l = 1$$



$$q_3 = 3/8$$

$$l \approx .8$$



$$q_3 = 1$$

$$l = 0$$

# General potential for any SU(N)

Ansatz: constant, diagonal matrix  
 $i, j = 1 \dots N$

$$A_0^{ij} = \frac{2\pi T}{g} q_i \delta^{ij} \quad \mathbf{L}_{ij} = e^{2\pi i q_j} \delta_{ij}$$

For SU(N),  $\sum_{j=1 \dots N} q_j = 0$ . Hence N-1 independent  $q_j$ 's, = # diagonal generators.

At 1-loop order, the perturbative potential for the  $q_j$ 's is

$$V_{pert}(q) = \frac{2\pi^2}{3} T^4 \left( -\frac{4}{15} (N^2 - 1) + \sum_{i,j} q_{ij}^2 (1 - q_{ij})^2 \right), \quad q_{ij} = |q_i - q_j|$$

As before, *assume* a non-perturbative potential  $\sim T^2 T_c^2$ :

$$V_{non}(q) = \frac{2\pi^2}{3} T^2 T_c^2 \left( -\frac{c_1}{5} \sum_{i,j} q_{ij} (1 - q_{ij}) - c_2 \sum_{i,j} q_{ij}^2 (1 - q_{ij})^2 + \frac{4}{15} c_3 \right)$$

# Path to confinement, four colors

Move to the confining vacuum along *one* direction,  $q_j^c$ :

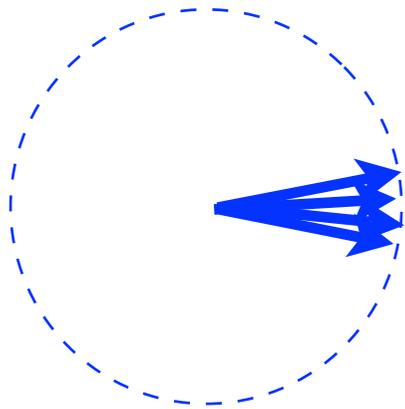
(For general interfaces, need *all*  $N-1$  directions in  $q_j$  space)

Perturbative vacuum:  $q = 0$ .

Confining vacuum:  $q = 1$ .

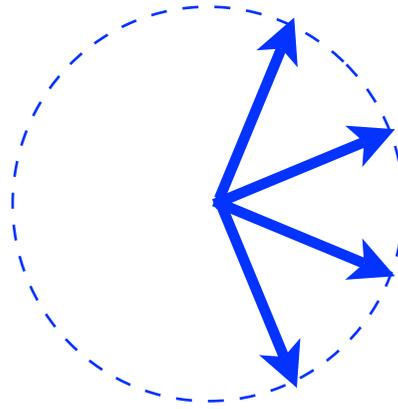
Four colors:

$$q_j^c = \left( \frac{2j - N - 1}{2N} \right) q, \quad j = 1 \dots N$$



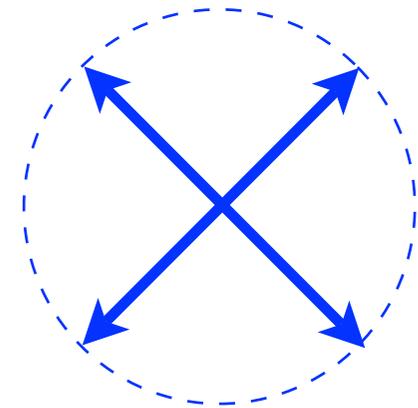
$$q = 0$$

$$\ell = 1$$



$$q = 1/2$$

$$\ell \approx .65$$



$$q = 1$$

$$\ell = 0$$

General  $N$ : confining vacuum = *uniform* distribution for eigenvalues of  $L$

For infinite  $N$ , distribution flat.

## Cubic term for *all* $N \geq 3$ , so transition first order

Define  $\phi = 1 - q$ ,  
Confining point  $\phi = 0$

$$V_{tot} = \frac{\pi^2(N^2 - 1)}{45} T_c^4 t^2 (t^2 - 1) \tilde{V}(\phi, t), \quad t = \frac{T}{T_c}$$

$$\tilde{V}(\phi, t) = -m_\phi^2 \phi^2 - 2 \left( \frac{N^2 - 4}{N^2} \right) \phi^3 + \left( 2 - \frac{3}{N^2} \right) \phi^4$$

$$m_\phi^2 = 1 + \frac{6}{N^2} - \frac{c_1}{t^2 - c_2}$$

No term linear in  $\phi$ . Cubic term in  $\phi$  for *all*  $N \geq 3$ ; vanishes for  $N = 2$ .

Existence of cubic term generic.

Along  $q^c$ , about  $\phi = 0$  there is *no* symmetry of  $\phi \rightarrow -\phi$  for *any*  $N \geq 3$ .

Hence terms  $\sim \phi^3$ , and so a first order transition, are *ubiquitous*.

Special to matrix model, with the  $q_i$ 's elements of Lie *algebra*.

Svetitsky and Yaffe '80:  $V_{\text{eff}}(\text{loop}) \Rightarrow$  1st order *only* for  $N=3$ ; loop element Lie *group*

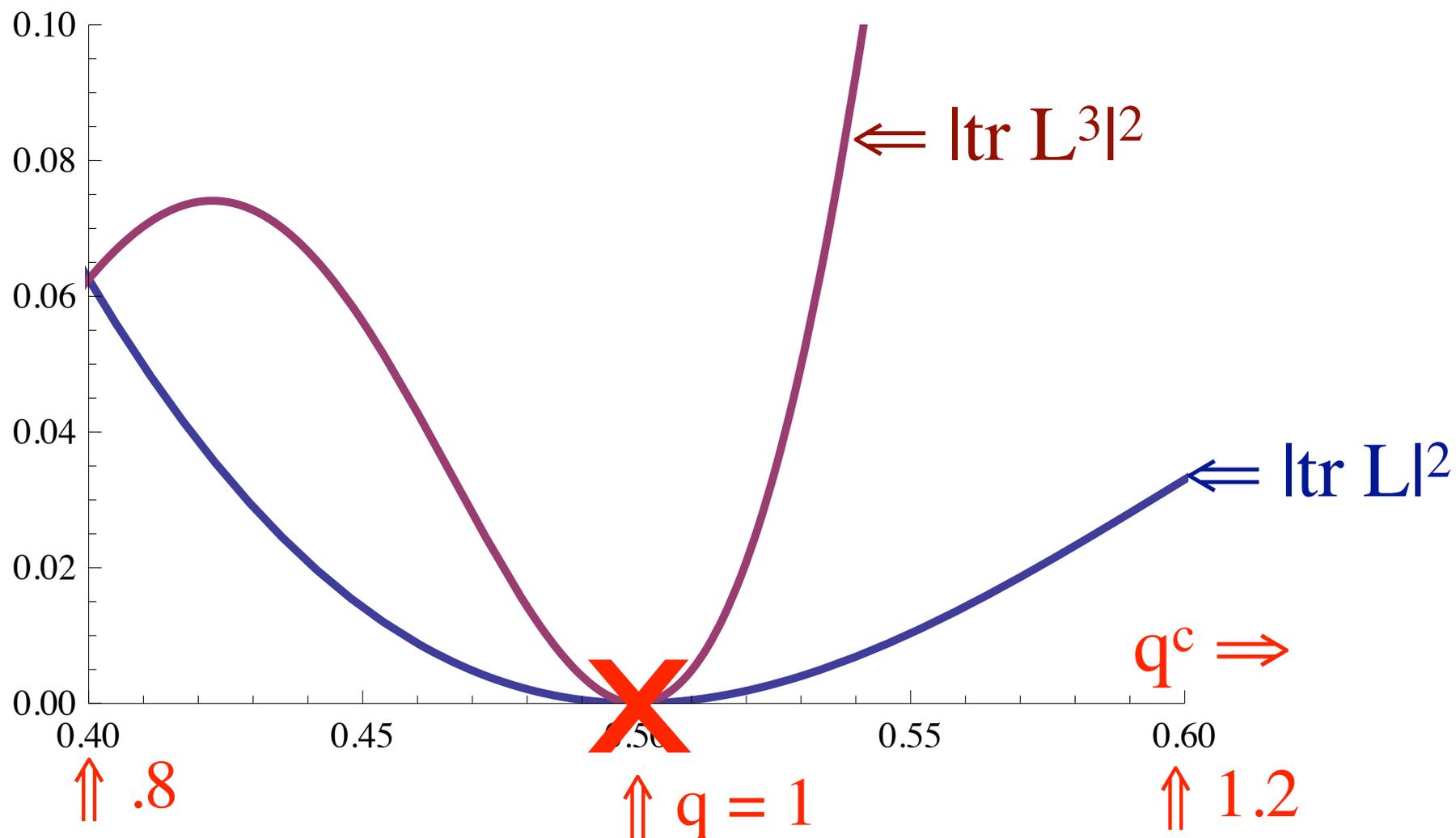
# Cubic term for four colors

Construct  $V_{\text{eff}}$  either from  $q$ 's, or equivalently, loops:  $\text{tr } \mathbf{L}$ ,  $\text{tr } \mathbf{L}^2$ ,  $\text{tr } \mathbf{L}^3 \dots$

$N = 4$ :  $|\text{tr } \mathbf{L}^2|$  and  $|\text{tr } \mathbf{L}^3|^2$  *not* symmetric about  $q = 1$ , so cubic terms,  $\sim (q - 1)^3$ .

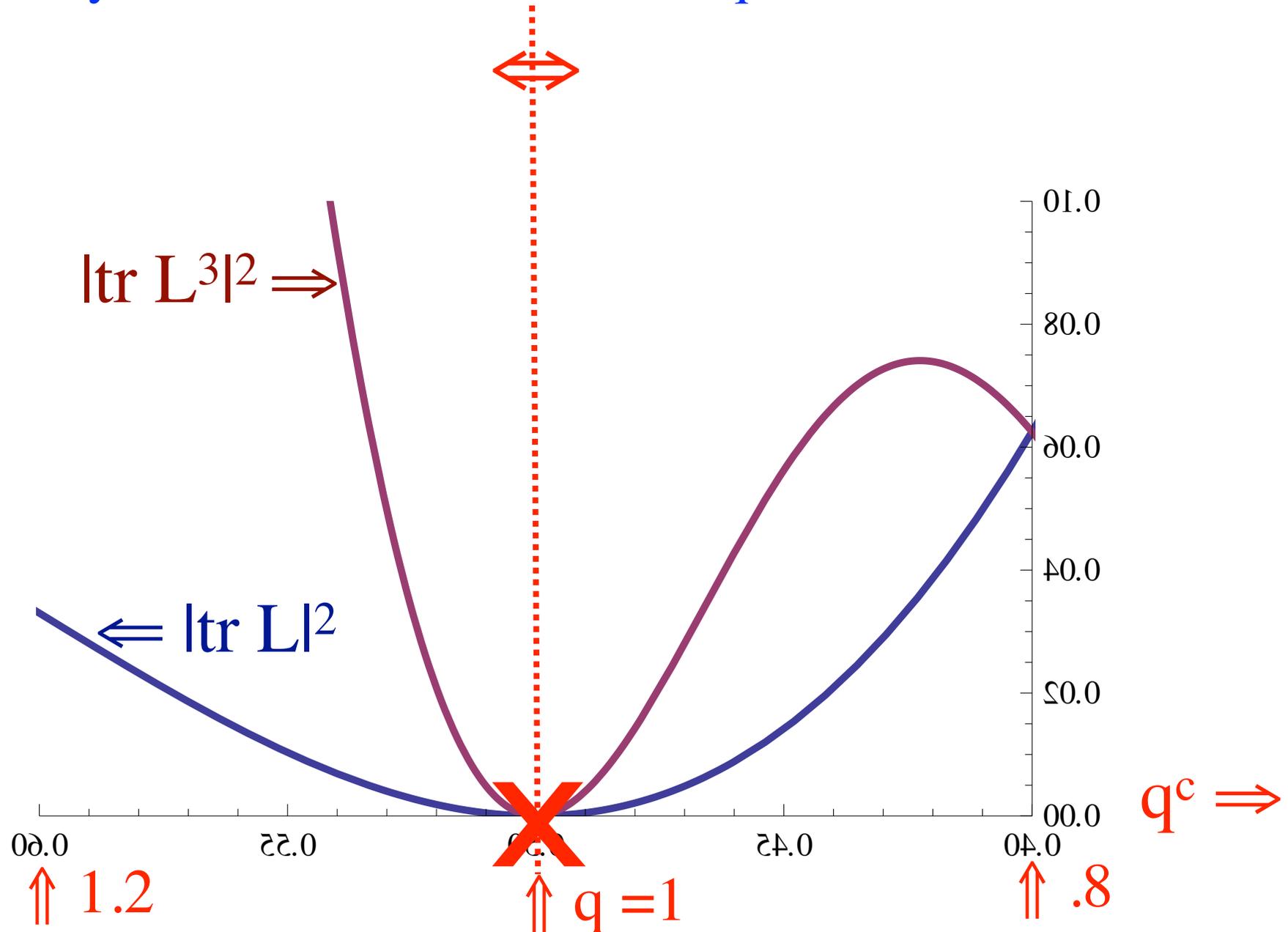
( $|\text{tr } \mathbf{L}^2|^2$  symmetric, residual  $Z(2)$  symmetry)

Cubic terms *special* to moving along  $q_c$  in a *matrix* model. *Not* true in loop model



# Cubic term for four colors

Asymmetric in reflection about  $q = 1$



# Lattice vs 0- and 1- parameter matrix models, $N = 3$

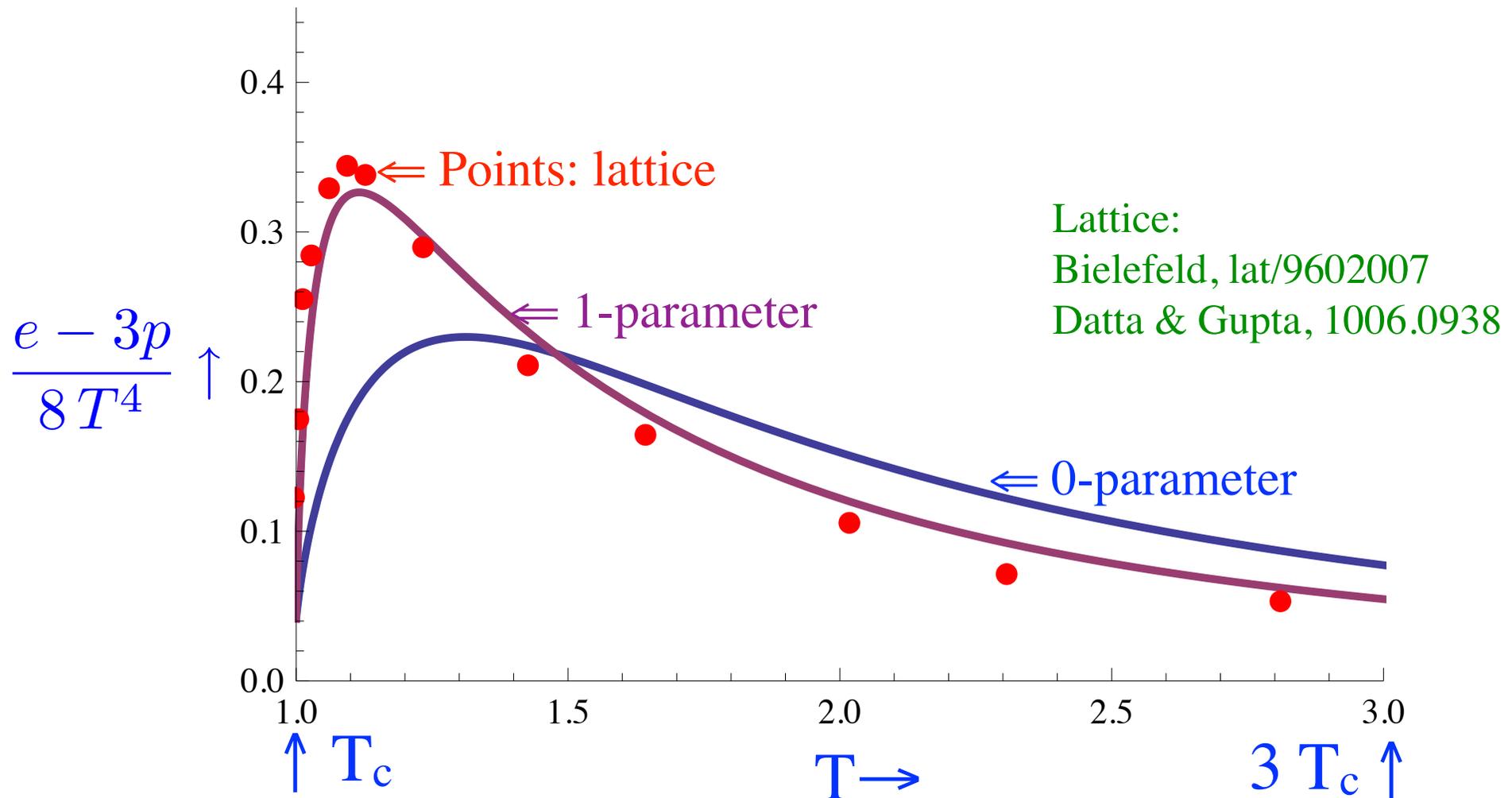
Results for  $N=3$  similar to  $N=2$ .

0-parameter model way off.

Good fit  $e-3p/T^4$  for 1-parameter model,

$$c_1 = 0.32, c_2 = 0.83, c_3 = 1.13$$

Again,  $c_2 \sim 1$ , so at  $T_c$ , terms  $\sim q^2(1-q)^2$  almost cancel.

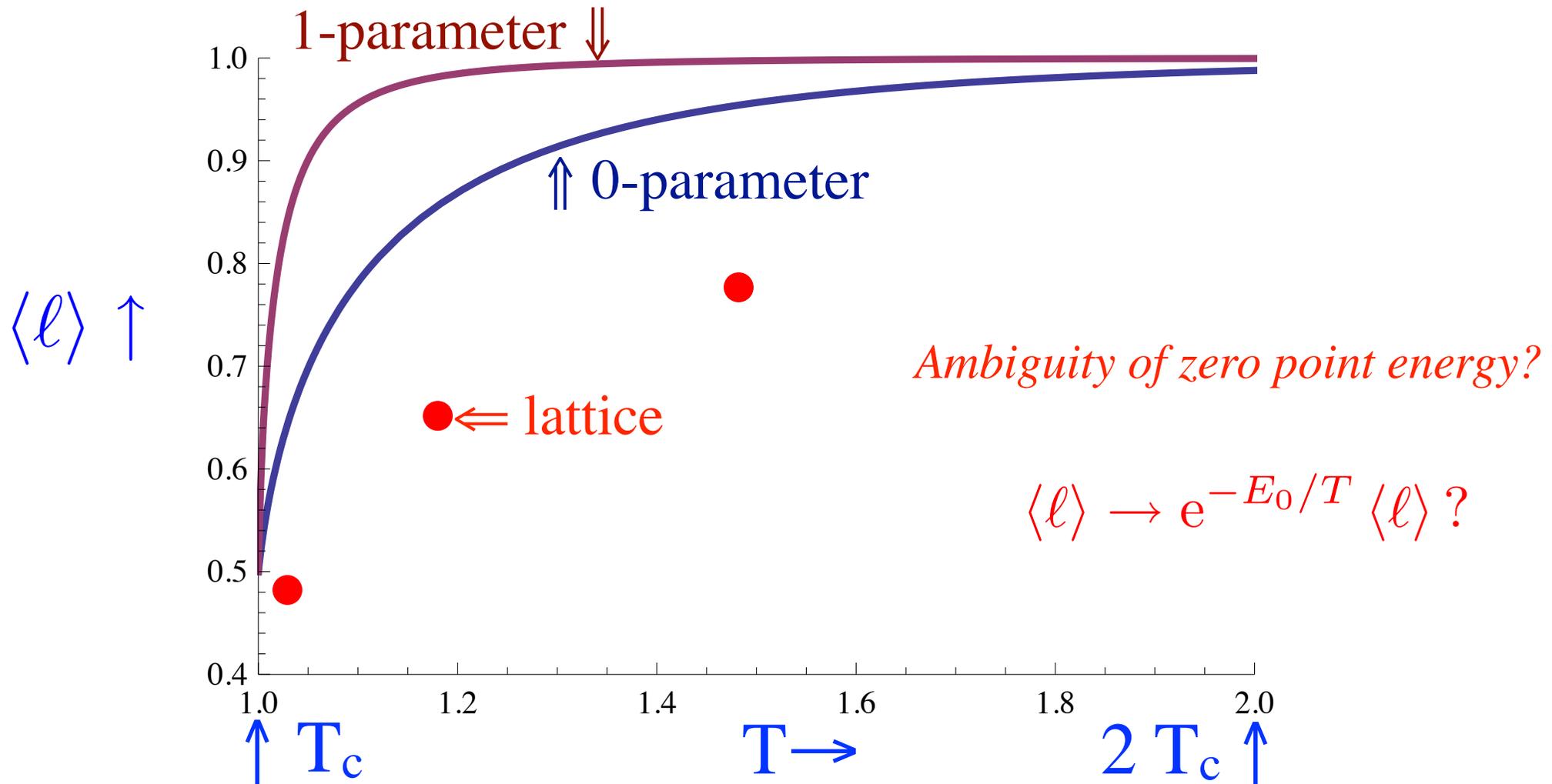


# Polyakov loop: matrix models $\neq$ lattice

Renormalized Polyakov loop from lattice does *not* agree with *either* matrix model

$\langle l \rangle - 1 \sim \langle q \rangle^2$ : By  $1.2 T_c$ ,  $\langle q \rangle \sim .05$ , negligible.

Again, for  $T > 1.2 T_c$ , the  $T^2$  term in pressure due *entirely* to the *constant* term,  $c_3$ !

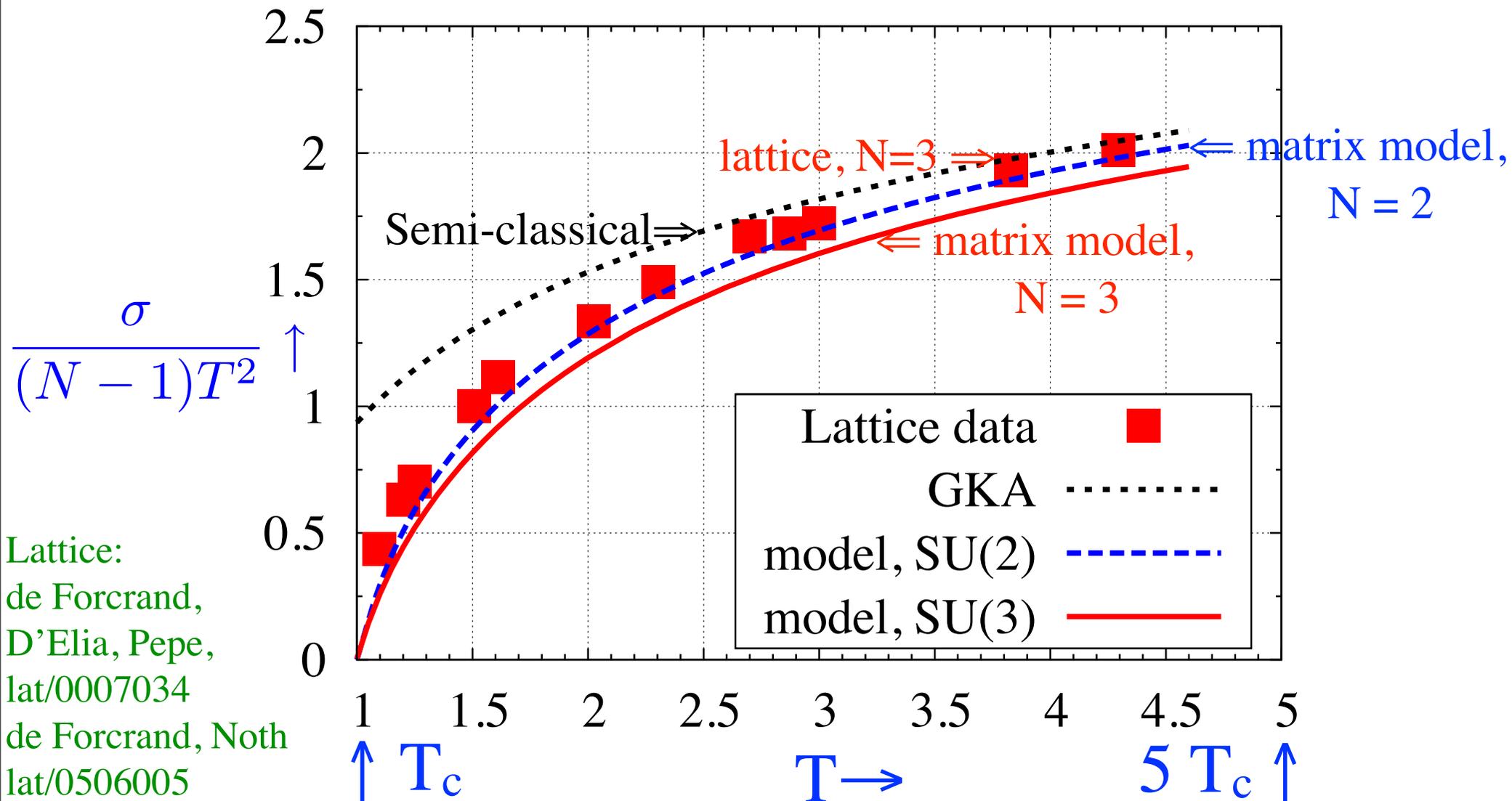


# Interface tension, $N = 2$ and $3$

Order-order interface tension,  $\sigma$ , from matrix model close to lattice.

For  $T > 1.2 T_c$ , path along  $\lambda_8$ ; for  $T < 1.2 T_c$ , along *both*  $\lambda_8$  and  $\lambda_3$ .

$\sigma(T_c)/T_c^2$  nonzero but *small*,  $\sim .02$ . Results for  $N=2$  and  $N=3$  similar - ?

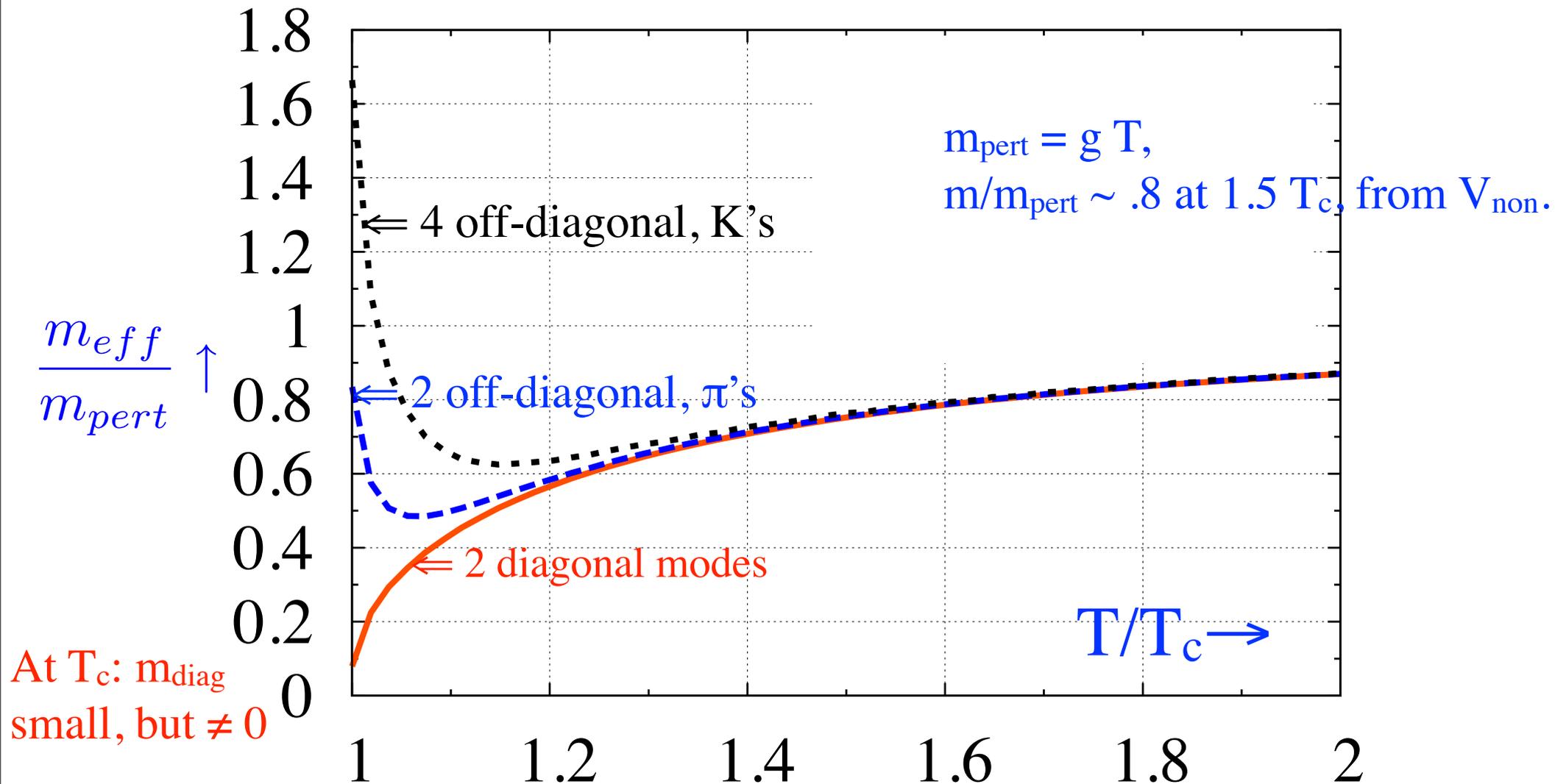


# Adjoint Higgs phase, $N = 3$

For  $SU(3)$ , deconfinement along  $A_0^{cl} \sim q \lambda_3$ . Masses  $\sim [\lambda_3, \lambda_i]$ : two off-diagonal.

Splitting of masses only for  $T < 1.2 T_c$ :

Measureable from singlet potential,  $\langle \text{tr} L^\dagger(x) L(0) \rangle$ , over *all*  $x$ .



# Matrix model: $N \geq 3$

To get the latent heat right, two parameter model.

Thermodynamics, interface tensions improve

# Latent heat, and a 2-parameter model

Latent heat,  $e(T_c)/T_c^4$ : 1-parameter model too small:

1-para.: 0.33. **BPK**:  $1.40 \pm .1$ ; **DG**:  $1.67 \pm .1$ .

$$c_3(T) = c_3(\infty) + \frac{c_3(1) - c_3(\infty)}{t^2}, \quad t = \frac{T}{T_c}$$

2-parameter model,  $c_3(T)$ . Like MIT bag constant

WHOT:  $c_3(\infty) \sim 1$ . *Fit*  $c_3(1)$  to DG latent heat

$$c_3(1) = 1.33, \quad c_3(\infty) = .95$$

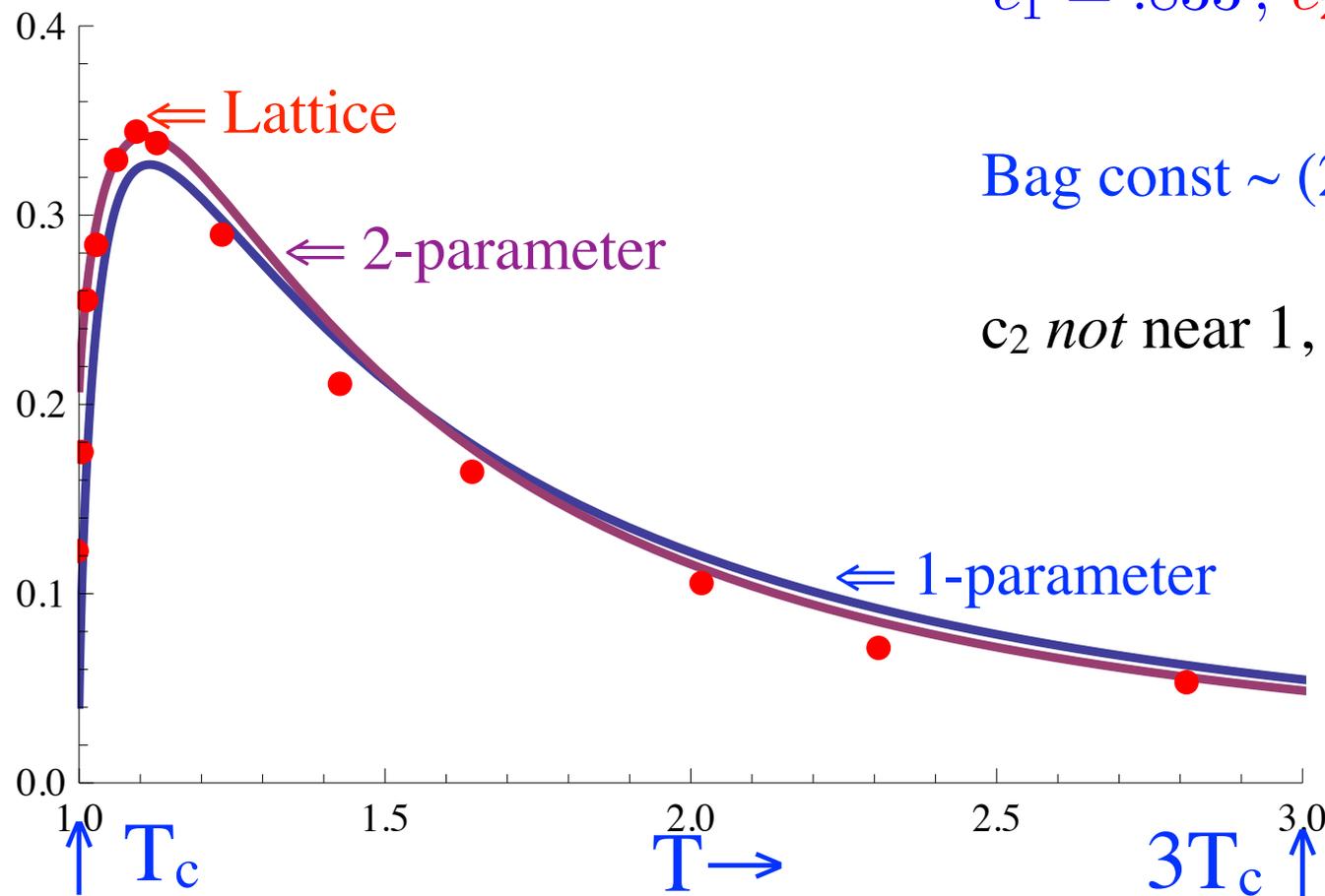
Fits lattice for  $T < 1.2 T_c$ , overshoots above.

$$c_1 = .833, \quad c_2 = .552$$

Bag const  $\sim (262 \text{ MeV})^4$

$c_2$  *not* near 1, vs 1-para.

$$\frac{e - 3p}{8 T^4} \uparrow$$



Latent heat, lattice:

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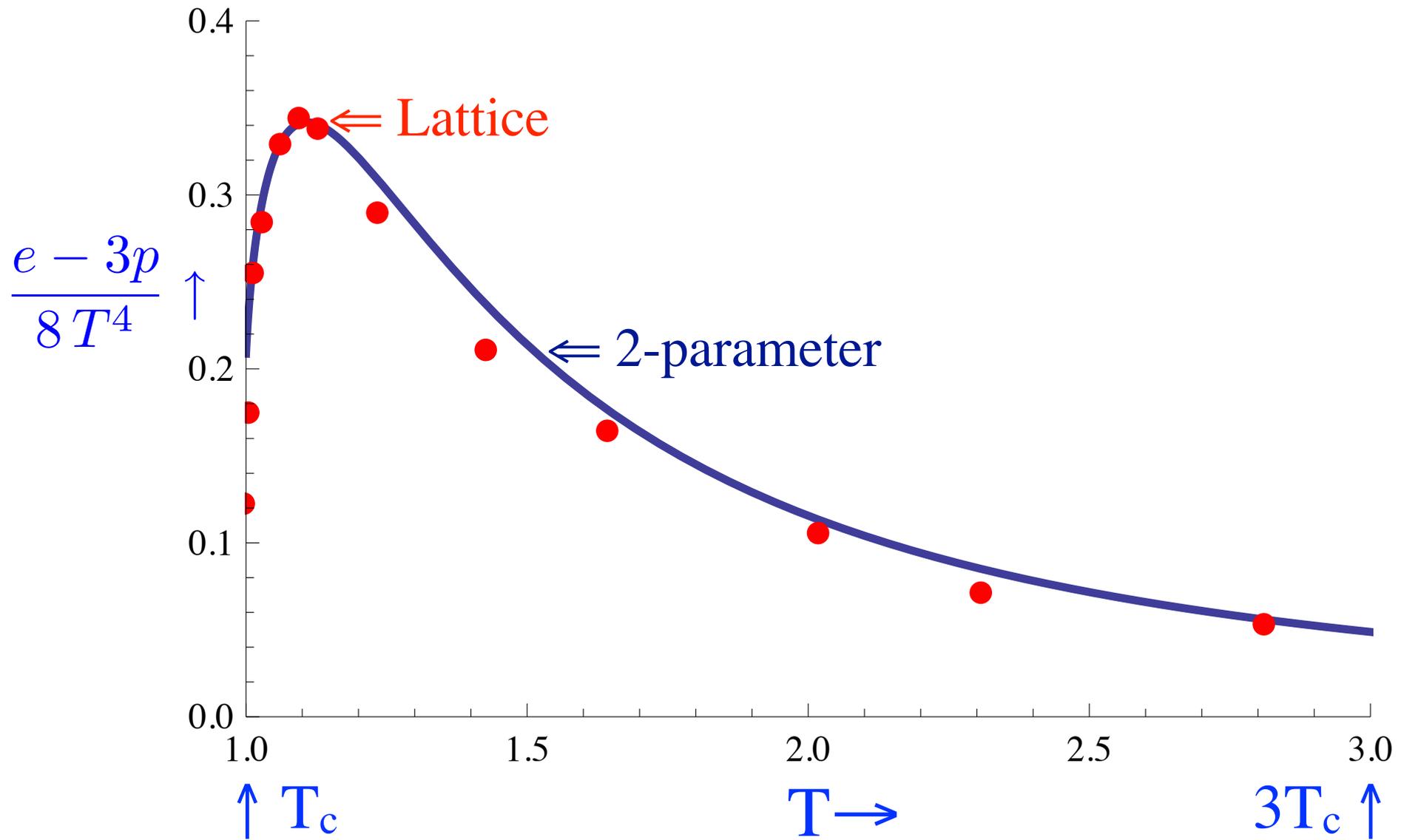
Peikert, Karsch

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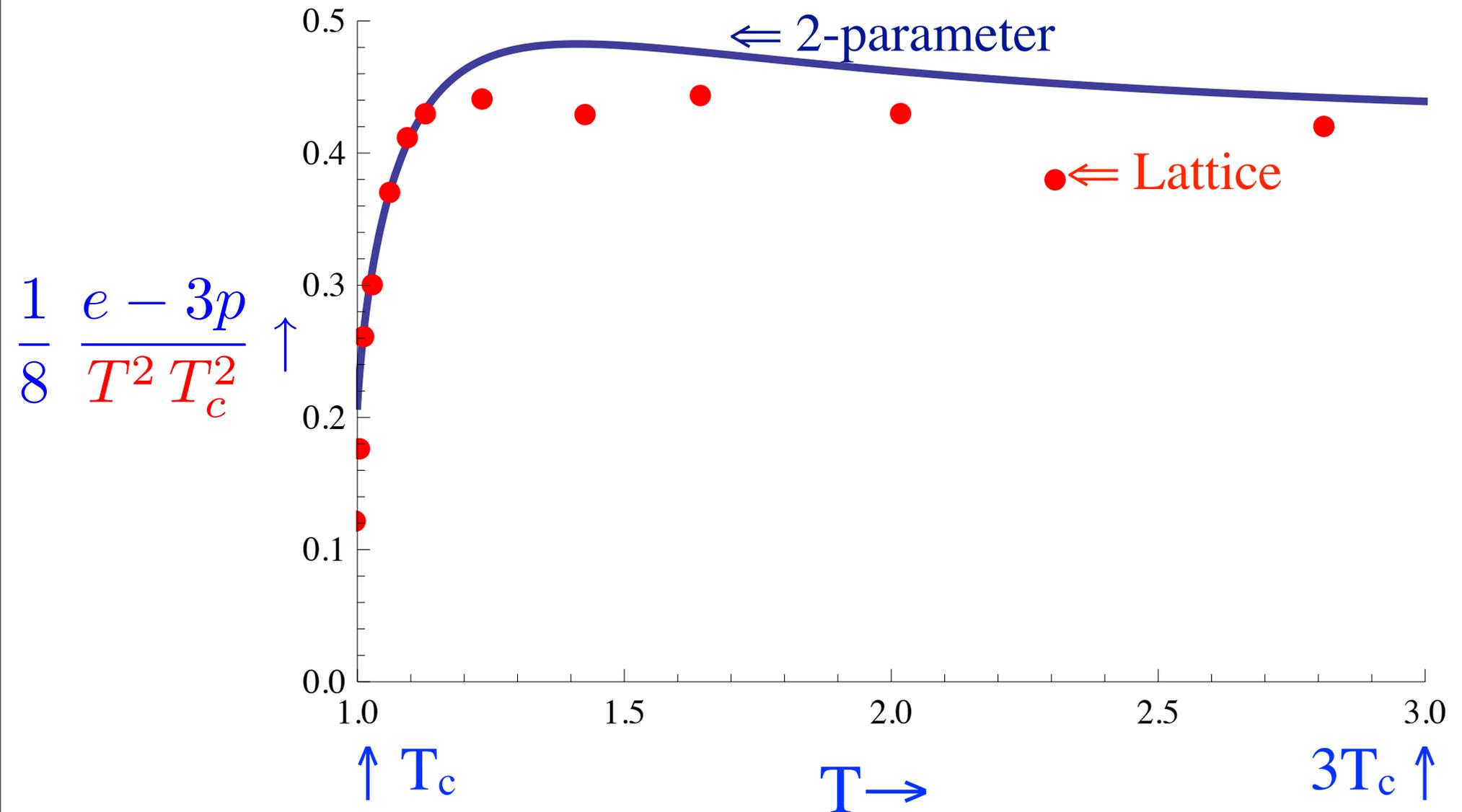
DG: Datta, Gupta

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# Anomaly: 2-parameter model vs lattice

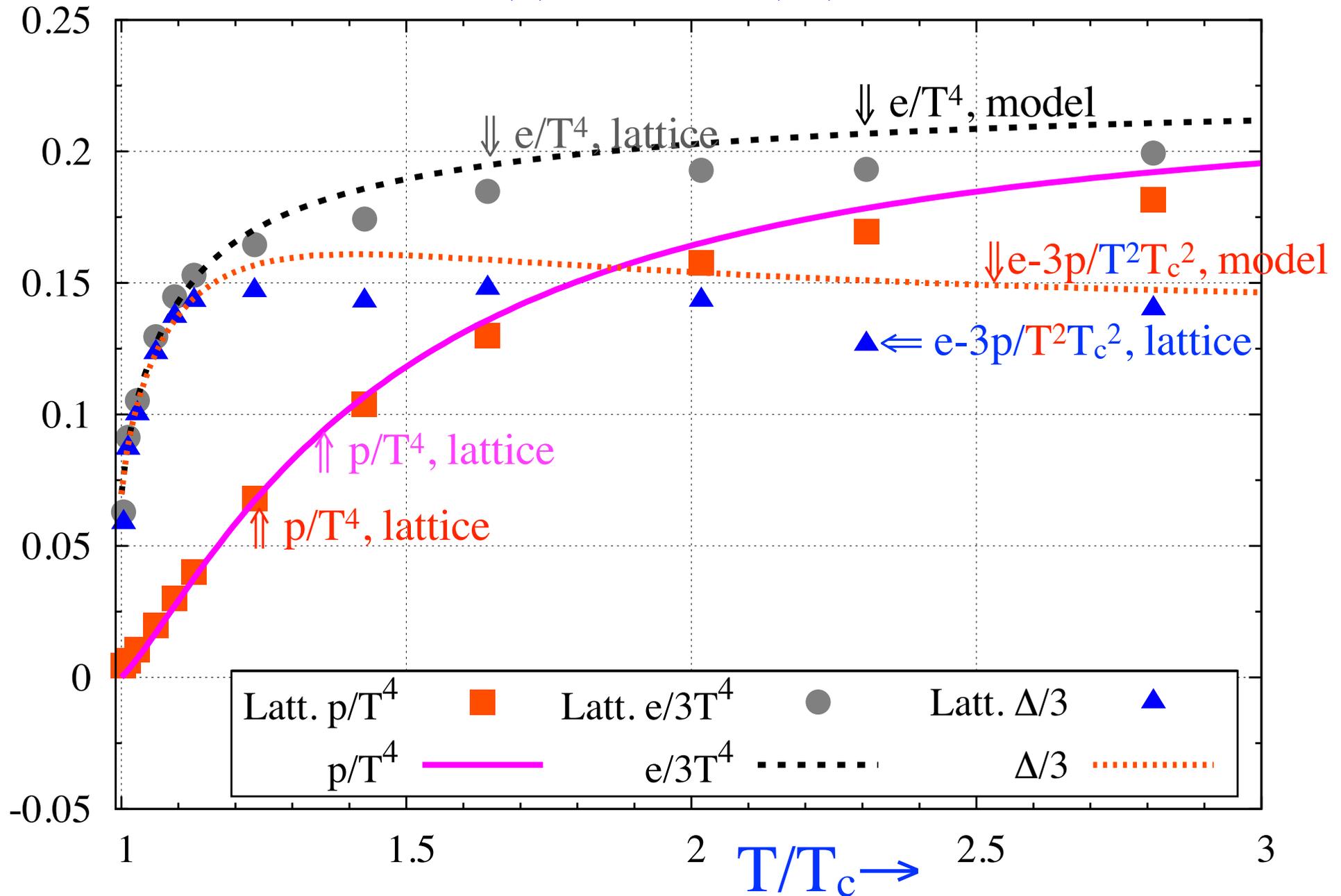


# Anomaly times $T^2$ : 2-parameter model vs lattice



# Thermodynamics of 2-parameter model, $N = 3$

$$c_3(1) = 1.33, c_3(\infty) = .95, c_1 = .833, c_2 = .552$$

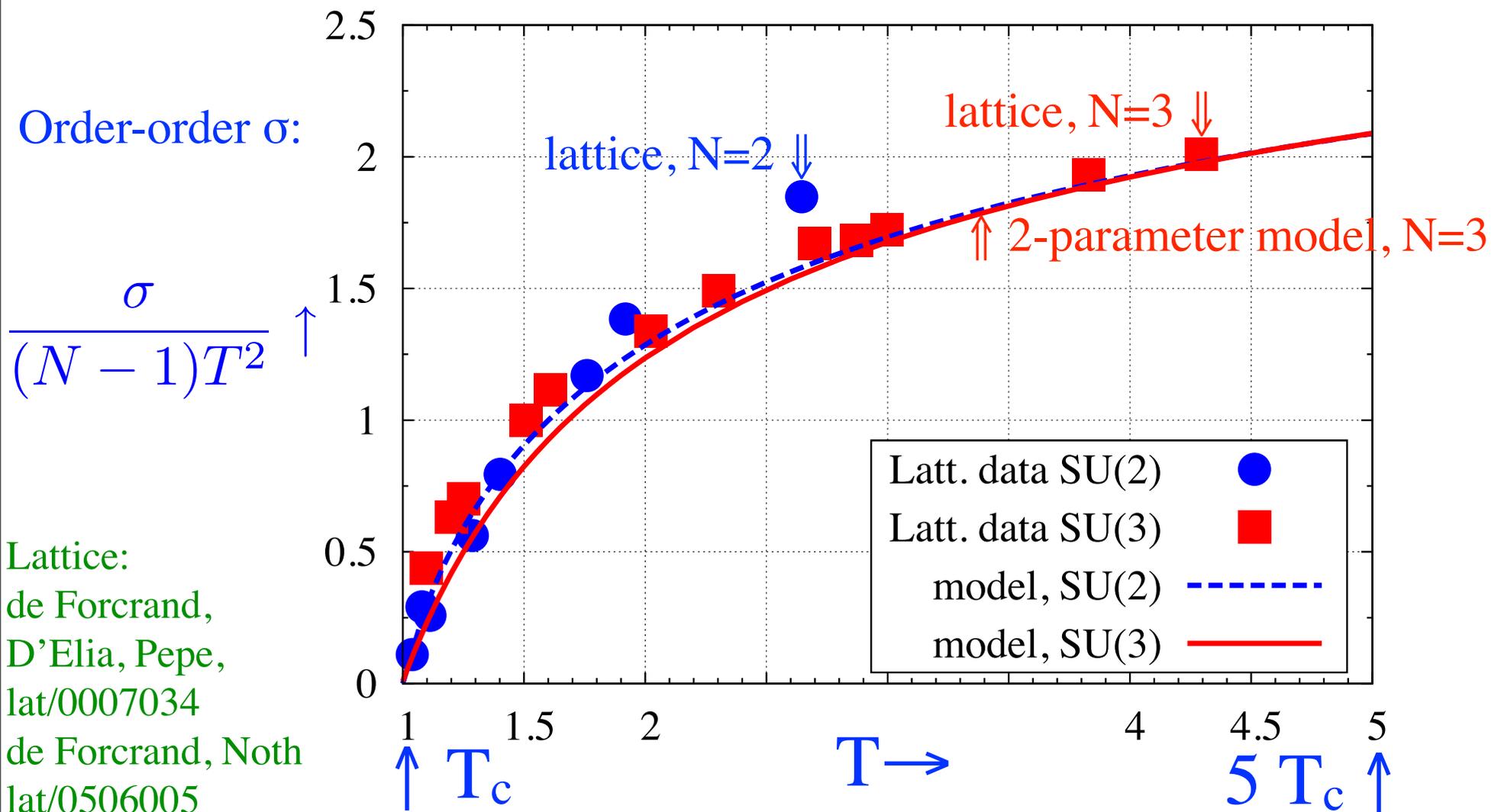


# Interface tensions, 2-parameter model, N = 3

Order-order interface tension,  $\sigma$ , close to lattice. Order-order  $\sigma(T_c)/T_c^2 \sim .043$ .

1st order transition, so can compute order-disorder  $\sigma(T_c)/T_c^2 \sim .022$ , vs

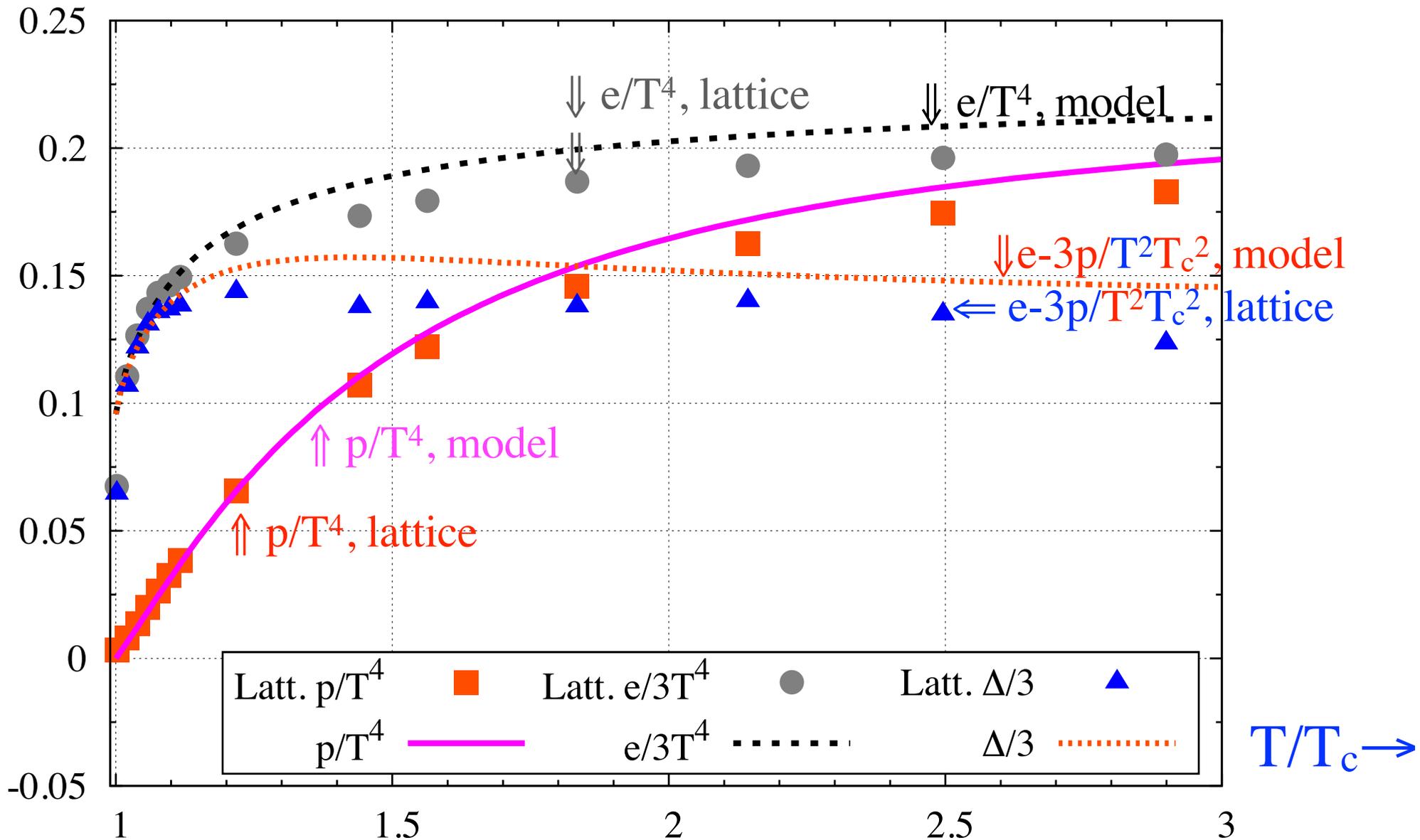
Lattice: Lucini, Teper, Wegner, lat/0502003, .019 Beinlich, Peikert, Karsch lat/9608141 0.16



## 2-parameter model, $N = 4$

Assume  $c_3(\infty) = 0.95$ , like  $N=3$ . Fit  $c_3(1)$  to latent heat, Datta & Gupta, 1006.0938  
 Order-disorder  $\sigma(T_c)/T_c^2 \sim .08$ , vs lattice, .12, Lucini, Teper, Wegner, lat/0502003

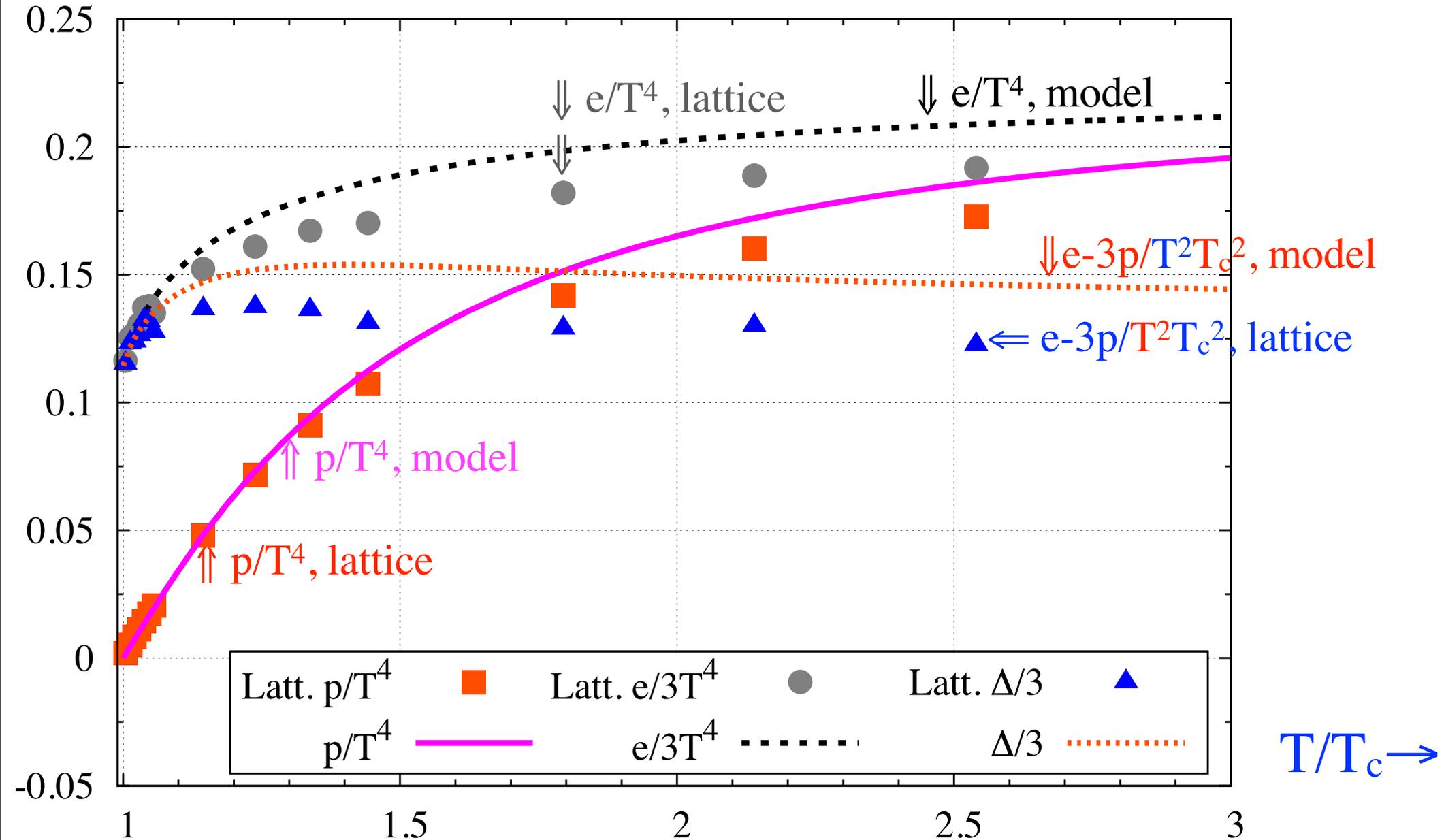
$$c_3(1) = 1.38, \quad c_3(\infty) = .95, \quad c_1 = 1.025, \quad c_2 = 0.39$$



# 2-parameter model, $N = 6$

Order-disorder  $\sigma(T_c)/T_c^2 \sim .25$ , vs lattice,  $.39$ , Lucini, Teper, Wegner, lat/0502003

$$c_3(1) = 1.42, c_3(\infty) = .95, c_1 = 1.21, c_2 = 0.23$$



$T/T_c \rightarrow$

# Conclusions

Transition region *narrow*: for pressure,  $< 1.2 T_c!$

For interface tensions,  $< 4 T_c...$

Above  $1.2 T_c$ , pressure dominated by *constant* term  $\sim T^2$ .

**What does this term come from?** Gluon mass (for spatial gluons)?

In 2+1 dimensions, ideal  $T^3$ . Caselle + ...: *also*  $T^2$  term in pressure.

But mass would be  $m^2 T$ , not  $m T^2$ .

$T^2$  term like free energy of massless fields in 2 dimensions: string? Above  $T_c$ ?

***Need to include quarks!***

Can then compute temperature dependence of:

shear viscosity, energy loss of light quarks, damping of quarkonia...

# Lattice: SU(N) in 2+1 dimensions

Caselle, Castagnini, Feo, Gliozzi, Panero,  $T < T_c$ , 1105.0359,  $T > T_c$ , below, unpublished  
 SU(N) for  $N = 2, 3, 4, 5$ . # time steps = 6.

$$p(T) \approx \# T^2 (T - c T_c), \quad c \approx 1.$$

