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Infra-Red

- Infra-red dog

(c'est “chiant” l'infra-rouge!!!)
QCD in the IR(I)

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Existing tools?

- There are two sets of very useful analytic relations to learn about QCD in the IR: Ward-Slavnov-Taylor (WST) identities and the infinite tower of Dyson-Schwinger (DS) integral equations. Lattice QCD give also essential numerical indications.

The best would be to have an analytic solution, however this is not possible:

- WST relates Green-Functions, not enough constraints.
- DS are too complicated, highly non linear, it is not known how many solutions exist, but there is presumably a large number.

Common way out?

- Use truncated DS with some hypotheses about vertex functions and compare output to LQCD
WE PREFER

1- Combine informations from LQCD and analytic methods: not only using LQCD as an a posteriori check, but use it as an input for DSE. We believe that this allows a better control on systematic uncertainties of all methods.

2- Use WST identities (usually overlooked). This however leads today to a unsolved problem.

3- 1 and 2 are complemented with mild regularity assumptions about vertex functions

4- Take due care of the UV behaviour (known since QCD is asymptotically free) and use a well defined renormalisation procedure (no renormalisation at $\mu=0$ because of possible IR singularities).
QCD in the IR(III)

Notations

- $G(p^2)$ is the gluon dressing function, $= p^2 G^{(2)}(p^2)$, $G^{(2)}(p^2)$ being the gluon propagator, $G \text{ LIKE} \text{ GLUON}; Z_3(\mu^2) = G(\mu^2)$ [MOM renormalisation constant of the gluon propagator]

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- $F(p^2)$ is the ghost dressing function, $= p^2 F^{(2)}(p^2)$, $F^{(2)}(p^2)$ being the ghost propagator, $F \text{ LIKE} \text{ FANTÔME}; Z'_3(\mu^2) = F(\mu^2)$ [MOM renormalisation constant of the ghost propagator]

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QCD in the IR(IV)

Non-Perturbative Definitions of the Strong Coupling Constant

- Compute a three-gluon or ghost-ghost-gluon Green function, in a well defined kinematics depending on a scale $\mu$, and the gluon and ghost propagators.

- From there compute the corresponding bare vertex function $\Gamma_B$

Then: $g_R(\mu^2) = g_0 G(\mu^2)^{3/2} \Gamma_B$ or $g_R(\mu^2) = g_0 F(\mu^2) G(\mu^2)^{1/2} \Gamma_B$

- Special and preferred case (Von Smekal): one vanishing ghost momentum. Taylor: $\Gamma_B = 1$

$g_T(\mu^2) = g_0 F(\mu^2) G(\mu^2)^{1/2}$

$\alpha_T(\mu^2) = g_0^2/(4\pi) F(\mu^2)^2 G(\mu^2)$
One starting remark:

$F(p^2)^2 G(p^2)$ is thus proportional to $\alpha_T(\mu^2)$

Lattice indicates $\alpha_G \sim 1$, $\alpha_F \sim 0$, $F(\mu^2)^2 G(\mu^2) \to 0$, $g_f(\mu) \to 0$

A frequent analysis of the ghost propagator DS equation

Leads to $2\alpha_F + \alpha_G = 0$ (fn: $\alpha_D = 2 \alpha_G$ or $\delta_{gl} = -2 \delta_{gl} = 2\kappa$) i.e. $F(p^2)^2 G(p^2) \to c$

and $F(p^2) \to \infty$

In contradiction with lattice

This is a strong, non truncated DS equation

So what?

Figure 5: Running coupling $\alpha_s(q^2)$ versus $q^2$ for lattice sizes $64^4$ and $80^4$ at $\beta = 5.70$.

Lattice gluodynamics computation of Landau gauge Green's functions in the deep infrared.

The Ghost-propagator DSE

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
\begin{array}{c}
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\text{k} \\
\text{b}
\end{array}
\end{pmatrix}^{-1}
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\text{b}
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\end{pmatrix}^{-1}
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\begin{array}{c}
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\text{c,q} \\
\text{e} \\
\text{b,k}
\end{array}
\end{pmatrix}
\]
The Ghost-propagator DSE (I)

\[
\frac{1}{F(k^2)} = 1 + g_0^2 N_c \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \left( \frac{F(q^2) G((q-k)^2)}{q^2(q-k)^4} \left[ \frac{(k \cdot q)^2}{k^2} - q^2 \right] H_1(q,k) \right)
\]

where:

\[
g_0 f_{abc} (q_v H_1(q,k) + (q-k)_v H_2(q,k))
\]

All in Landau gauge!!
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where:

\[ \left\{ \begin{array}{c}
\text{a,k} \\
\text{d,\nu} \\
\text{c,q}
\end{array} \right\} = i g_0 f^{abc} \left( \nu H_1(q,k) + (q-k) \nu H_2(q,k) \right) \]

All in Landau gauge!!
The Ghost-propagator DSE (II)

After MOM renormalization:

\[
\begin{align*}
g_R^2(\mu^2) &= Z_g^{-2}(\mu^2, \Lambda) g_0^2(\Lambda) \\
G_R(k^2, \mu^2) &= Z_3^{-1}(\mu^2, \Lambda) G(k^2, \Lambda) \\
F_R(k^2, \mu^2) &= \tilde{Z}_3^{-1}(\mu^2, \Lambda) F(k^2, \Lambda) \\
\tilde{Z}_1 &= Z_g Z_3^{1/2} \tilde{Z}_3,
\end{align*}
\]

One obtains:

\[
\frac{1}{F_R(k^2, \mu^2)} = \tilde{Z}_3(\mu^2, \Lambda) + N_C \tilde{Z}_1 g_R^2(\mu^2) \Sigma_R(k^2, \mu^2; \Lambda)
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\[
\Sigma_R(k^2,\mu^2;\Lambda) = \int_{q^2<\Lambda^2} \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \left( \frac{F_R(q^2,\mu^2)G_R((q-k)^2,\mu^2)}{q^2(q-k)^4} \left[ \frac{(k\cdot q)^2}{k^2} - q^2 \right] H_{1,R}(q,k;\mu^2) \right)
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\[
\int_{q^2 < \Lambda^2} d^4q dq^2/q^2 \left( 1 + 11 \alpha_s/(2\pi) \log(q/\mu) \right)^{-35/44}
\]
The integral is UV divergent!!
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For not to have to deal with UV, one can subtract:

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\left( \Sigma_R(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2; \infty) - \Sigma_R(\lambda^2 \kappa^2 k^2, \mu^2; \infty) \right)
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\frac{1}{F_k(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2)} - \frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2 k^2, k^2, \mu^2)} = N_C g_R^2(\mu^2) \tilde{Z}_1
\]

\[
\left( \Sigma_R(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2; \infty) - \Sigma_R(\lambda^2 k^2 k^2, \mu^2; \infty) \right)
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\frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2)} - \frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2 \kappa^2 k^2, \mu^2)} = N_C \ g_R^2(\mu^2) \ \tilde{Z}_1 \\
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\[\kappa \text{ is positive and non-zero}\]

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Then:

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\Sigma_R(\lambda^2k^2,\mu^2;\infty) - \Sigma_R(\lambda^2\kappa^2k^2,\mu^2;\infty) = I_{IR}(\lambda) + I_{UV}(\lambda)
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\[ I_{UV}(\lambda) \sim \lambda^2 \]
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\[ F_{IR}(q^2, \mu^2) = A(\mu^2) \ (q^2)^{\alpha_F} \]
\[ G_{IR}(q^2, \mu^2) = B(\mu^2) \ (q^2)^{\alpha_G} \]
\[ H_{1,R}(k, q; \mu^2) = 1 \]

\[ I_{IR}(\lambda) \sim (\lambda^2)^{(\alpha_F + \alpha_G)} \ A(\mu^2) B(\mu^2) \ \int_{q^2 < \frac{q_0^2}{\lambda^2}} d^4 q \ rac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \ (q^2)^{\alpha_F - 1} \left( \frac{(k \cdot q)^2}{k^2} - q^2 \right) \]
\[ \times \left[ ((q - k)^2)^{\alpha_G - 2} - ((q - \kappa k)^2)^{\alpha_G - 2} \right] . \]
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\[
\frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2)} - \frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2 \kappa^2 k^2, \mu^2)} = N_c g^2_R(\mu^2) \tilde{Z}_1
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\]

\(I_{UV}(\lambda) \sim \lambda^2\)

\[
I_{IR}(\lambda) \sim \lambda^{2(\alpha_G + \alpha_F)} \int_{\epsilon}^{q_0/\lambda} dq \, q^{2(\alpha_F + \alpha_G) - 3} \sim \begin{cases} 
\lambda^{2(\alpha_G + \alpha_F)} & \text{if } \alpha_G + \alpha_F < 1 \\
\lambda^2 \ln \lambda & \text{if } \alpha_G + \alpha_F = 1 \\
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\[ \left( \Sigma_R(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2; \infty) - \Sigma_R(\lambda^2 \kappa^2 k^2, \mu^2; \infty) \right) \]

Then:

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\lambda^2 \ln \lambda & \text{if } \alpha_G + \alpha_F = 1 \\
\lambda^2 & \text{if } \alpha_G + \alpha_F > 1 
\end{cases} \]

while \( (\alpha_F \neq 0) \)

\[ \frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2)} - \frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2 \kappa^2 k^2, \mu^2)} \sim (1 - \kappa^{-2\alpha_F}) \frac{(\lambda^2 k^2)^{-\alpha_F}}{A(\mu^2)} \]
The Ghost-propagator DSE solutions (I)

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Then:

\[ \sum_{\{B\}} \frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2)} F_R(\lambda^2 \kappa^2 k^2, \mu^2) = A(\mu^2) \]

- If \( \alpha_G + \alpha_F > 1 \) \( \Rightarrow \alpha_F = -1 \) (Excluded by LQCD !!!)
- If \( \alpha_G + \alpha_F = 1 \) \( \Rightarrow \) No solution !!!
- If \( \alpha_G + \alpha_F < 1 \) \( \Rightarrow 2\alpha_F + \alpha_G = 0 \)
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\]

\(\kappa\) will ultimately go to 0
\(\kappa\) is positive and non-zero

Then:

\[\alpha_F \neq 0\]

\[2\alpha_F + \alpha_G = 0\]

\[F^2(q^2)G(q^2) \rightarrow \text{cte.}, \text{ as } q \rightarrow 0,\]

\[N_C g_R^2(\mu^2) \tilde{Z}_1 \left( A(\mu^2) \right)^2 B(\mu^2) \phi \left( -\frac{\alpha_G}{2}, \alpha_G \right) \approx 16\pi^2\]
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\]

\(\lambda^2\) will ultimately go to 0
\(\kappa^2\) is positive and non-zero

Then:

\[\alpha_F \neq 0 \Rightarrow 2\alpha_F + \alpha_G = 0\]

\[\phi(\alpha_F, \alpha_G) = -\frac{1}{2} (f(\alpha_F, \alpha_G - 2) + f(\alpha_F, \alpha_G - 1) + f(\alpha_F - 1, \alpha_G - 1))
+ \frac{1}{4} (f(\alpha_F - 1, \alpha_G - 2) + f(\alpha_F - 1, \alpha_G) + f(\alpha_F + 1, \alpha_G - 2))
\]

\[f(a,b) = \frac{\Gamma(2+a)\Gamma(2+b)\Gamma(-a-b-2)}{\Gamma(-a)\Gamma(-b)\Gamma(4+a+b)}\]

\[\phi\left(-\frac{\alpha_G}{2}, \alpha_G\right) \approx 16\pi^2\]
The Ghost-propagator DSE solutions (II)

\[
\frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2)} - \frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2 \kappa^2 k^2, \mu^2)} = N_C \, g_R^2(\mu^2) \tilde{Z}_1 \\
\text{\(\kappa\) will ultimately go to 0} \\
\text{\(\kappa\) is positive and non-zero}
\]

\[
\left( \Sigma_R(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2; \infty) - \Sigma_R(\lambda^2 \kappa^2 k^2, \mu^2; \infty) \right)
\]

Then:

\[
\Sigma_R(\lambda^2 k^2, \mu^2; \infty) - \Sigma_R(\lambda^2 \kappa^2 k^2, \mu^2; \infty) \sim \begin{cases} 
\lambda^2 (\alpha_G + \alpha_F) & \text{if } \alpha_G + \alpha_F < 1 \\
\lambda^2 \ln \lambda & \text{if } \alpha_G + \alpha_F = 1 \\
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while (\(\alpha_F = 0\))

\[
\frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2k^2,\mu^2)} - \frac{1}{F_R(\lambda^2\kappa^2k^2,\mu^2)} \sim - \frac{A_2(\mu^2)}{(A(\mu^2))^2} \begin{cases} 
(\lambda^2k^2)^{\alpha_F}(1 - \kappa^2\alpha_F) & \text{if } \alpha_G < 1 \\
k^2(1 - \kappa^2)\lambda^2 \ln \lambda & \text{if } \alpha_G = 1 \\
(\lambda^2k^2)(1 - \kappa^2) & \text{if } \alpha_G > 1
\end{cases}
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\[ \lambda^2 \text{ will ultimately go to } 0 \]
\[ \kappa \text{ is positive and non-zero} \]

Then:

\[ F_{\Gamma R}(q^2, \mu^2) = \begin{cases} 
\lambda^2(\alpha_G + \alpha_F) & \text{if } \alpha_G + \alpha_F < 1 \\
A(\mu^2) \left( 1 - \phi(0, \alpha_G) \frac{\tilde{g}^2(\mu^2)}{16 \pi^2} A^2(\mu^2) B(\mu^2) q^2 \alpha_G \right) & \alpha_G < 1 \\
A(\mu^2) \left( 1 + \frac{\tilde{g}^2(\mu^2)}{64 \pi^2} A^2(\mu^2) B(\mu^2) q^2 \ln q^2 \right) & \alpha_G = 1 \\
A(\mu^2) + A_2(\mu^2) q^2 & \alpha_G > 1 
\end{cases} \]

with \( \tilde{g}^2(\mu^2) = N_C g_R(\mu^2) \tilde{Z}_1 \)
The Ghost-propagator DSE solutions (III)

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\( \lambda \) will ultimately go to 0
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LQCD favours

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To summarise

I. If \( \alpha_F < 0, 2\alpha_F + \alpha_G = 0 \), \( F(p^2)^2 G(p^2) \rightarrow ct \neq 0 \) and fixed coupling constant at a finite scale; \( \alpha_G = -2, \alpha_F = 2\kappa \)

From arXiv:0801.2762, Alkofer et al, \(-0.75 \leq \alpha_F \leq -0.5, 1 \leq \alpha_G \leq 1.5\)

II. If \( \alpha_F = 0 \), \( F(p^2) \rightarrow ct \neq 0 \) and no fixed coupling constant

**Notice:** solution II agrees rather well with lattice!!
Numerical GPDSE solutions
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\[ \frac{1}{F_R(k)} - \frac{1}{F_R(q_0)} = N_c g_R^2 \tilde{Z}_1 \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{F_R(q^2)}{q^2} \left( \frac{(k.q)^2}{q^2} - q^2 \right) \]

\[ \left[ \frac{G_R((q-k)^2)H_{1R}(q,k)}{((q-k)^2)^2} - \frac{G_R((q-q_0)^2)H_{1R}(q,q_0)}{((q-q_0)^2)^2} \right] \]

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- To be more specific, we take \( H_{1R} \) to be constant, and \( G_R \) from lattice data interpolated with the \( \alpha_S = 1 \) IR power. For simplicity we subtract at \( k' = 0 \). We take \( \mu = 1.5 \) GeV.
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Numerical GPDE solutions

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\frac{1}{\tilde{F}(k^2)} = \frac{1}{\tilde{F}(0)} - \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} \left( 1 - \frac{(k.q)^2}{k^2q^2} \right) \times \left[ \frac{G_R((q-k)^2)}{(q-k)^2} - \frac{G_R((q)^2)}{(q)^2} \right] \tilde{F}(q^2)
\]

with \( \tilde{g}^2(\mu^2) = N_C g_R(\mu^2) \tilde{Z}_1 \)

\( F_R(k^2) = \tilde{F}(k^2)/\tilde{g}(\mu) \)

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arXiv:0801.2721 [hep-ph]
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The input gluon propagator is fitted from LQCD. The DSE is solved numerically for several coupling constants. The resulting \( F_R \) is compared to lattice results. For \( g^2 = 29 \), i.e. solution II (\( F_R(0) \) finite, \( \alpha_F = 0 \)) the agreement is striking. The solution I (\( F_R(0) \) infinite, \( 2\alpha_F + \alpha_G = 0 \)), dotted line, does not fit at all.

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1.64 GeV$^{-2}$ obtained from the gluon and ghost dressing functions at zero momentum and the value of the coupling applied to solve GPDSE!!!
Numerical GPDSE solutions

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To summarize:

- We find one and only one solution for any positive value of $F(0)$. $F(0) = \infty$ corresponds to a critical value:
  $$g_c^2 = \frac{10\pi^2}{\langle F_R^2(0) \ G_R^{(2)}(0) \rangle} \quad (\text{fn: } 10\pi^2/(D_R(0) \ \lim_p p^2 G_R(p^2)))$$

- This critical solution corresponds to $F_R(0) = \infty$. It is the solution l, with $2\alpha_F + \alpha_G = 0$, $F(p^2)G(p^2) \to c \neq 0$, a diverging ghost dressing function and a fixed coupling constant.

- The non-critical solutions, have $F_R(0)$ finite, i.e. $\alpha_F = 0$, the behaviour $F_R(k^2) = F_R(0) + c \ k^2 \ \log(k^2)$ has been checked.

- Not much is changed if we assume a logarithmic divergence of the gluon propagator for $k \to 0$: $F_R(k^2) = F_R(0) - c' \ k^2 \ \log^2(k^2)$
Lattice **(recent)** results (I)

Gluon propagator:

\[ \alpha_G = 1 \]

(massive solution)

I.L. Bogolubsky, E.M. Ilgenfritz, M. Mulluer-Preussker, A. Sternbeck; arXiv:0901.0736[hep-lat]
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Ghost and gluon coupled DSE's system

In the BFM-PT scheme:

\[ [1 + G(q^2)]^2 \Delta^{-1}(q^2) P_{\mu\nu}(q) = q^2 P_{\mu\nu}(q) + i \sum_{i=1}^{4} (a_i)_{\mu\nu}. \]
Ghost and gluon coupled DSE's system

In the BFM-PT scheme:

- A massive gluon propagator is obtained ($\alpha_G = 1$)
- A finite ghost dressing function at zero momentum is also obtained ($\alpha_F = 0$)

A. C. Aguilar, D. Binosi, J. Papavassiliou; PRD78(2008)025010
Ghost and gluon coupled DSE's system

In the BFM-PT scheme:

\[ \tilde{g}(\mu) = 0.21 \]

\[ \tilde{g}(\mu) = 0.20 \]

\[ \tilde{g}(\mu) = 0.19 \]

\[ \tilde{g}(\mu) = 0.18 \]

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The BFM-PT ghost solutions are very well described by the asymptotic formula!!!
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![Graph showing critical value](image)
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...but no “scaling” solutions is numerically obtained!!!
Ultra-violet

Theory stands here on a much stronger ground. The issue is to compute $\Lambda_{QCD}$ to be compared to Experiment. There are several ways of computing $\Lambda_{QCD}$. Is this under control?
The ghost-gluon coupling

- Another MOM coupling definition (GPDSE)
- In Landau gauge

\[ \alpha(\mu^2) = \lim_{\Lambda \to \infty} \frac{Z_g^{-2}(\mu^2, \Lambda)}{g_0^2(\Lambda)} \frac{g_0^2(\Lambda)}{4\pi} \]
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\[ D^{ab}_{\mu\nu}(k) = \int d^4x \int d^4ye^{ik\cdot(x-y)} \langle A^a_\mu(x)A^b_\nu(y) \rangle_U = \frac{G(k^2)}{k^2} \delta^{ab} \delta^{T\mu\nu}(k) \]

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\]

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\alpha_h(\mu) = \bar{\alpha}(\mu) \left(1 + \sum_{i=1} c_i \left(\frac{\bar{\alpha}(\mu)}{4\pi}\right)^i\right)
\]

\[
\frac{1}{\alpha_h(\mu)} \frac{d\alpha_h(\mu)}{d\bar{\alpha}} = \frac{2\gamma(\bar{\alpha}) + \gamma(\bar{\alpha})}{\beta_{\text{MS}}(\bar{\alpha})}
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\[ \begin{cases} 
    c_1 = \frac{507 - 40N_f}{36} \\
    c_2 = \frac{1913}{27} + \frac{4}{3} \zeta(3) - \frac{351}{8} \zeta(3) \\
    N_f + \frac{100}{91} N_f^2 \\
    \ldots
\end{cases} \]
The ghost-gluon coupling: OPE contributions

\[ \alpha(\mu^2) = \lim_{\Lambda \to \infty} \frac{g_0^2(\Lambda)}{4\pi} F^2(\mu^2, \Lambda) G(\mu^2, \Lambda) \]

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\[\Lambda_{\overline{MS}} = 224^{+8}_{-5} \text{ MeV}, \quad g_R^2 \langle A^2 \rangle_R = 5.1^{+0.8}_{-1.1} \text{ GeV}^2\]
The ghost-gluon coupling: Preliminary unquenched results

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- Lattice data ($N_f = 2$):
  - $\beta = 3.9 (24^3 \times 48)$
    - $\mu = 0.085$
  - $\beta = 4.05 (24^3 \times 48)$
    - $\mu = 0.060$
  - $\beta = 4.2 (24^3 \times 48)$
    - $\mu = 0.002$

$\Lambda_{\overline{MS}} = 267(11) \text{ MeV}$, $g_R^2 \langle A^2 \rangle_R = 9.6^{+1.4}_{-1.1} \text{ GeV}^2$
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impressive scaling!!

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- I: Divergent ghost dressing function and a finite ghost-gluon coupling at zero momentum (“scaling” or “conformal”)
- II: Finite ghost dressing function and massive gluon propagator, with a vanishing ghost-gluon coupling at zero-momentum.

*(Yang-Mills) Lattice QCD clearly favors the type-II solution (decoupling).*

*In the BFM-PT scheme, the DSE coupled system for ghost and gluon propagators, massive gluon and not-enhanced ghost (type-II) solutions emerge.*

*A low-momentum asymptotic formula for the ghost dressing function has been obtained for the type-II solutions and checked with numerical evaluations.*
Conclusions:

The MOM ghost-gluon coupling constant in Taylor scheme is computed only from gluon and ghost propagator (involving no three-point function) on the lattice.

- Discretization errors seem pretty under control and the perturbative regime is achieved only above around 3 GeV (provided that a dimension-two gluon condensate is accounted).

- Different estimates of the pure Yang-Mills Lambda QCD parameter agree fairly well and the job for 2 and 2+1+1 dynamical flavors is in progress.