

4 loops 3-d SU(3) free  
energy  
with a mass IR regulator

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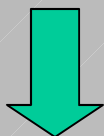
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# Why 4 loops 3-d SU(3) free energy?

The free energy is related to the mean value of the trace of the plaquette

$$\langle \text{Tr}(1 - \Pi_p) \rangle = \frac{c_1}{\beta_0} + \frac{c_2}{\beta_0^2} + \frac{c_3}{\beta_0^3} + \frac{\tilde{c}_4}{\beta_0^4} + O(\beta_0^{-5})$$

The first three coefficients have already been computed<sup>(\*)</sup> while the fourth is IR divergent



Need for a regulator 

\* Coupling constant

\* Finite

\* Mass 

*Consistent with continuum computations*

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 Without repeating the conceptual and computational frame of this work,  
 let's directly merge into its core, that is the partition function of the  
 theory :

$$Z = \int [D\phi] \det(-\sum_{\mu} \hat{\partial}_{\mu}^L \hat{D}_{\mu}(\phi) + m^2) e^{-S_W - S_{GF}} = \int [D\phi] e^{-S_W - S_{GF} - S_{FP}}$$

where

$$S_W = \beta_0 \sum_p \text{Tr}(1 - \Pi_p) + \frac{\beta_0 m^2}{12} \sum_{n, \mu, A} \phi_{\mu}^A(n) \phi_{\mu}^A(n)$$

**Gluon mass term**

$$S_{GF} = \frac{\beta_0}{12\alpha} \sum_{n, A} \left[ \sum_{\mu} \hat{\partial}_{\mu}^L \phi_{\mu}^A(n) \right]^2$$

**Gauge parameter**

$$S_{FP} = -\text{Tr} \left[ \ln \left( -\sum_{\mu} \hat{\partial}_{\mu}^L \hat{D}_{\mu}[\phi] + m^2 \right) \right]$$

**Ghost mass term**

with

$$\hat{D}_{\mu}(\phi) = \left[ 1 + \frac{i}{2} \phi_{\mu}(n) - \frac{1}{12} \phi_{\mu}^2(n) - \frac{1}{720} \phi_{\mu}^4(n) - \frac{1}{30240} \phi_{\mu}^6(n) + 0[\phi_{\mu}^8(n)] \right] \hat{\partial}_{\mu}^R + i \phi_{\mu}(n)$$

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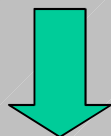
Because of *Langevin equation*, we have to face the expression

$$\nabla S_{FP} = -\nabla \text{Tr}[\ln B] = -\text{Tr}[\nabla B B^{-1}] \quad \text{with} \quad B[\phi] = -\sum_{\mu} \hat{\partial}_{\mu}^L \hat{D}_{\mu}[\phi] + m^2$$

whose treatment shows two interesting features:

1) **B inversion**

$$B^{-1} = [B_0]^{-1} + \\ -[B_0]^{-1} B_1 [B_0]^{-1} + \\ -[B_0]^{-1} B_2 [B_0]^{-1} - B_0^{-1} B_1 [B^{-1}]_1 + \dots$$



2) **Trace computation**

$$\text{Tr}[\nabla B B^{-1}] = \sum_{i,j} (\nabla B)_{ij} B_{ji} = \\ \sum_{j,k} \xi_i (\nabla B)_{ij} B_{jk} \xi_k$$

with

$$\langle \xi_i \xi_k \rangle = \delta_{i,k}$$



**It's necessary to invert  $B_0$  only! No explicit ghost fields!**

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Let's resume the global strategy:

First you fix a lattice size and a mass value, perform simulations for different discretized stochastic time  $\tau$ , take the average on the thermalized signals and then extrapolate to  $\tau=0$

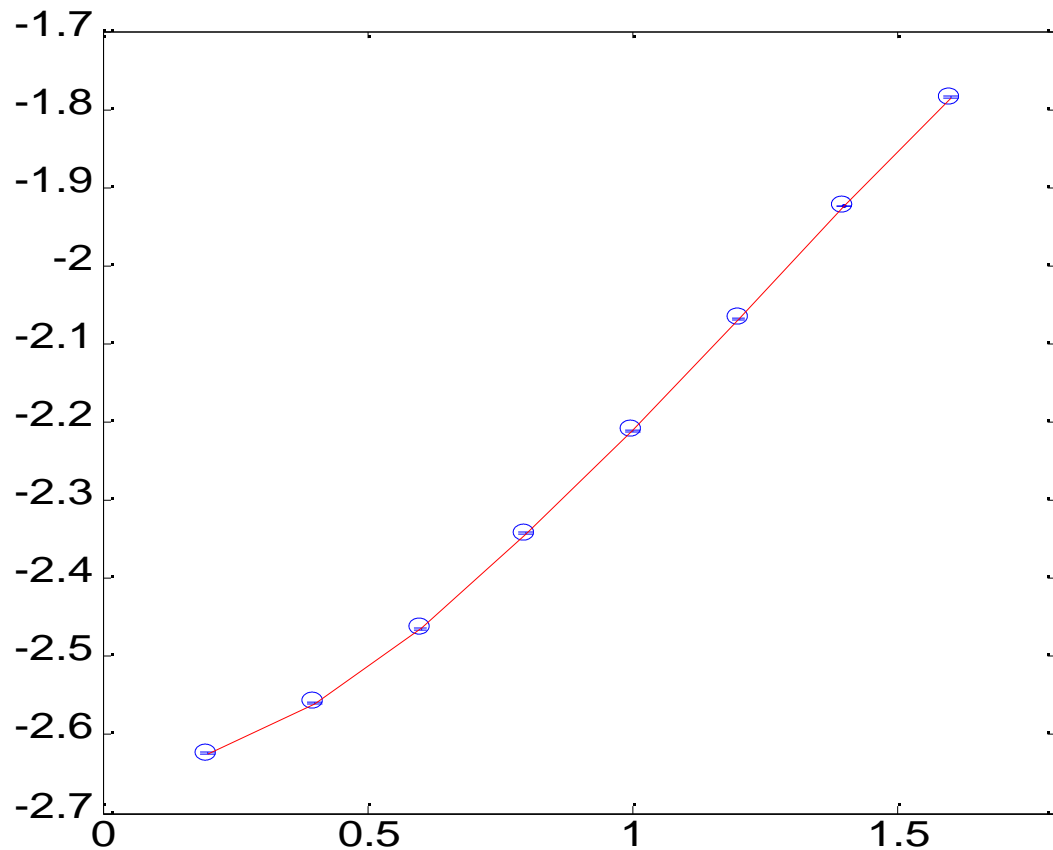


Repeat the procedure for different lattice sizes fitting the results to obtain the infinite volume value



Repeat the procedure for different masses, subtract the logarithmic divergence from the fourth loop and finally extrapolate to zero mass

## Reliability check I: comparison between numerical values and analytic ones at first loop for the plaquette.

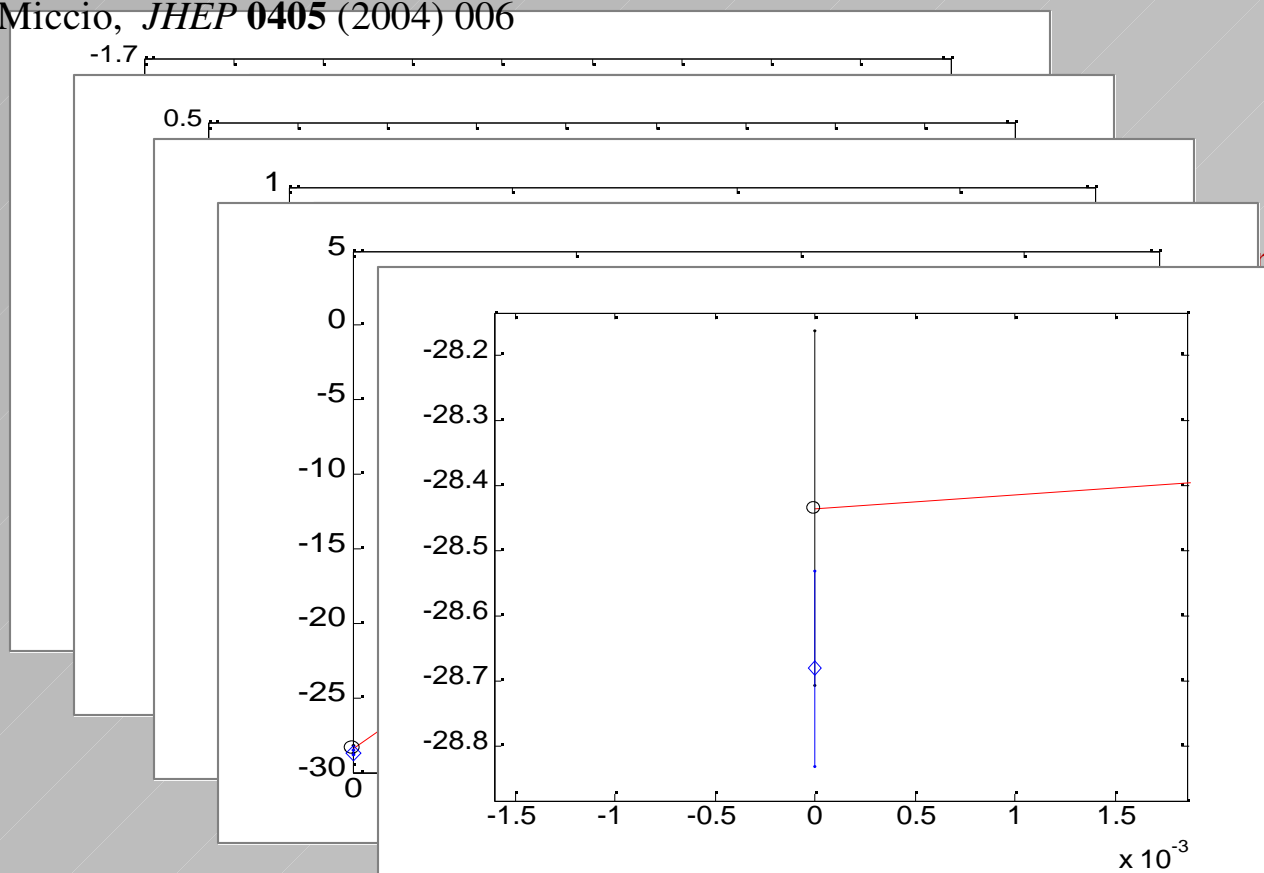


M	An. value	Num. value
0.2	-2.6234	-2.6240(16)
0.4	-2.5605	-2.5583(15)
0.6	-2.4643	-2.4642(14)
0.8	-2.3442	-2.3424(12)
1.0	-2.2093	-2.2111(11)
1.2	-2.0674	-2.0677(11)
1.4	-1.9243	-1.9239(9)
1.6	-1.7842	-1.7847(8)

## Reliability check II: comparison between zero mass extrapolated values and the expected ones.

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Comparison of the third loop values at different lattice sizes  
 1st loop (Lattice size = 7)



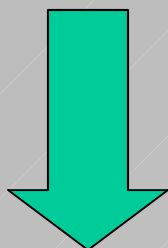
Extrapolation

L	Exp. value	Ext. value
5	-5.990(26)	-6.001(15)
8	-6.408(16)	-6.392(14)
12	-6.591(11)	-6.595(36)
16	-6.658(9)	-6.641(30)

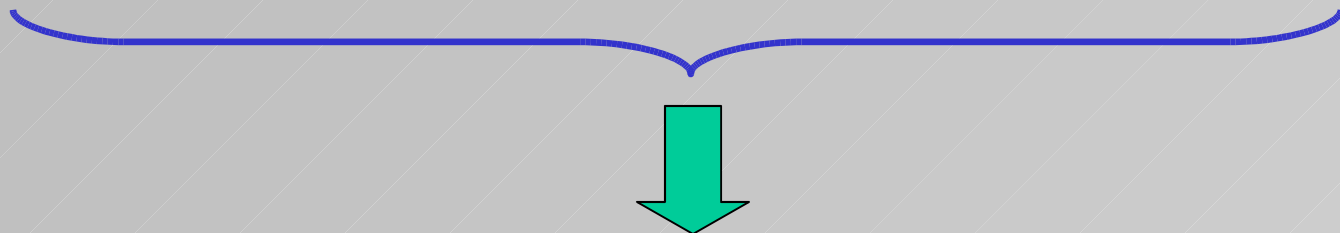
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Let's take a reliability check of this last reliability check, that is let's see how stable are the coefficients of the various powers of the extrapolation

Masses	$m^0$ coeff	$m^2$ coeff	$m^4$ coeff	$m^6$ coeff	$m^8$ coeff	$m^{10}$ coeff	$m^{12}$ coeff
4	-6.153(28)	13.46	-9.27	-	-	-	-
5	-6.240(30)	15.19	-15.92	-6.50	-	-	-
6	-6.277(31)	16.05	-20.17	13.46	-3.52	-	-
7	-6.295(38)	16.55	-23.03	19.44	-8.64	1.51	-
8	-6.303(40)	16.78	-24.71	23.81	-13.69	4.15	-0.50



**Expected value:  
-6.307(21)**

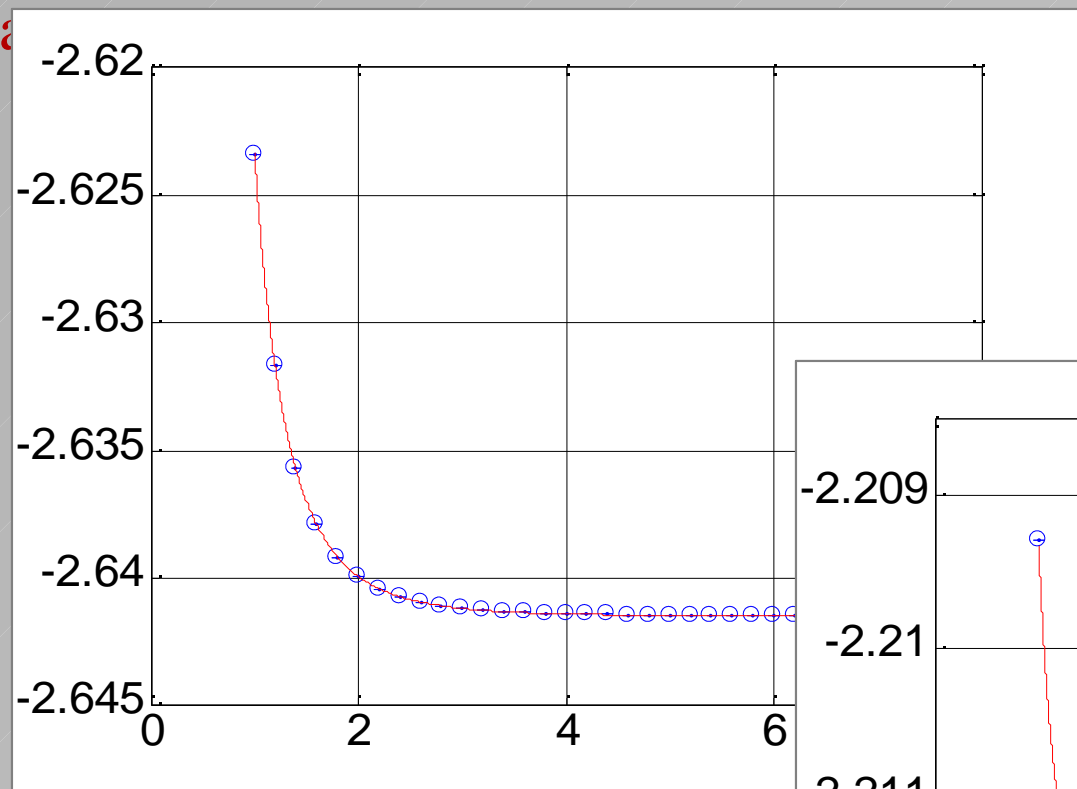


**The leading coefficients appear to be quite stable**

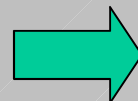


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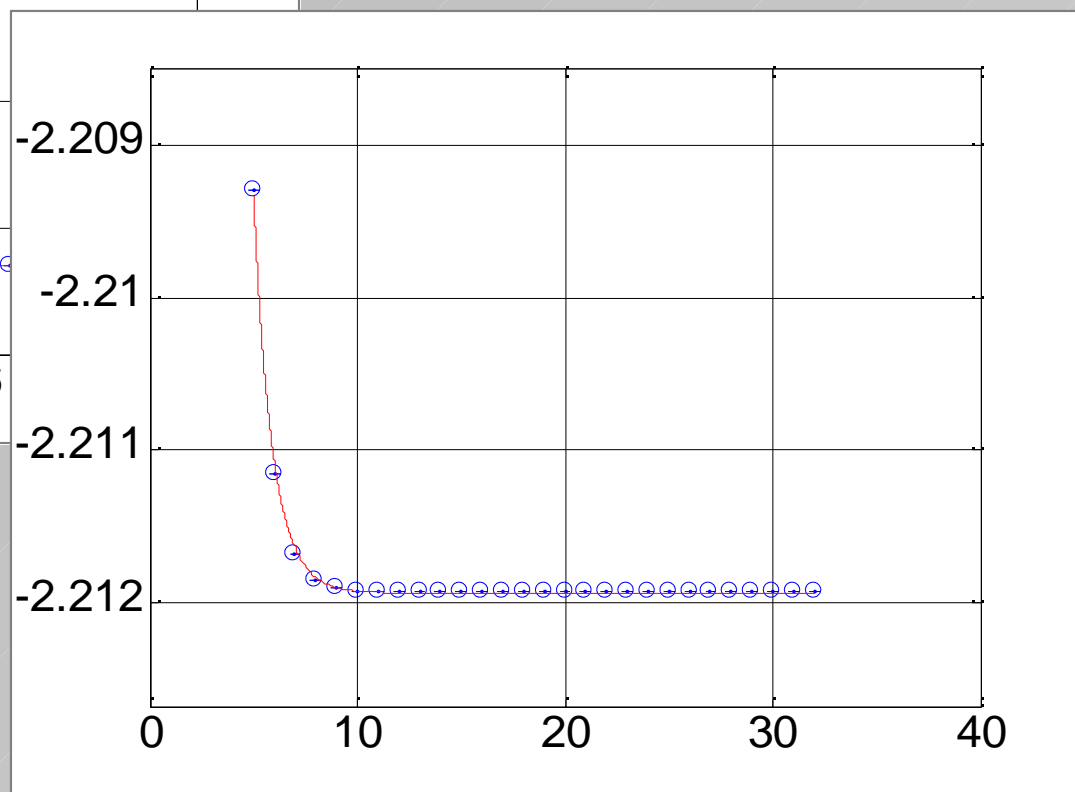
Let's extrapolate to **infinite volume** using the first loop analytic values



Fitting curve ( $m=0.2$ ,  $x=mL$ )

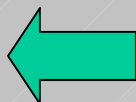


$$y = c_1 + e^{-x}(c_2 + c_3x^{-2} + c_4x^{-4})$$



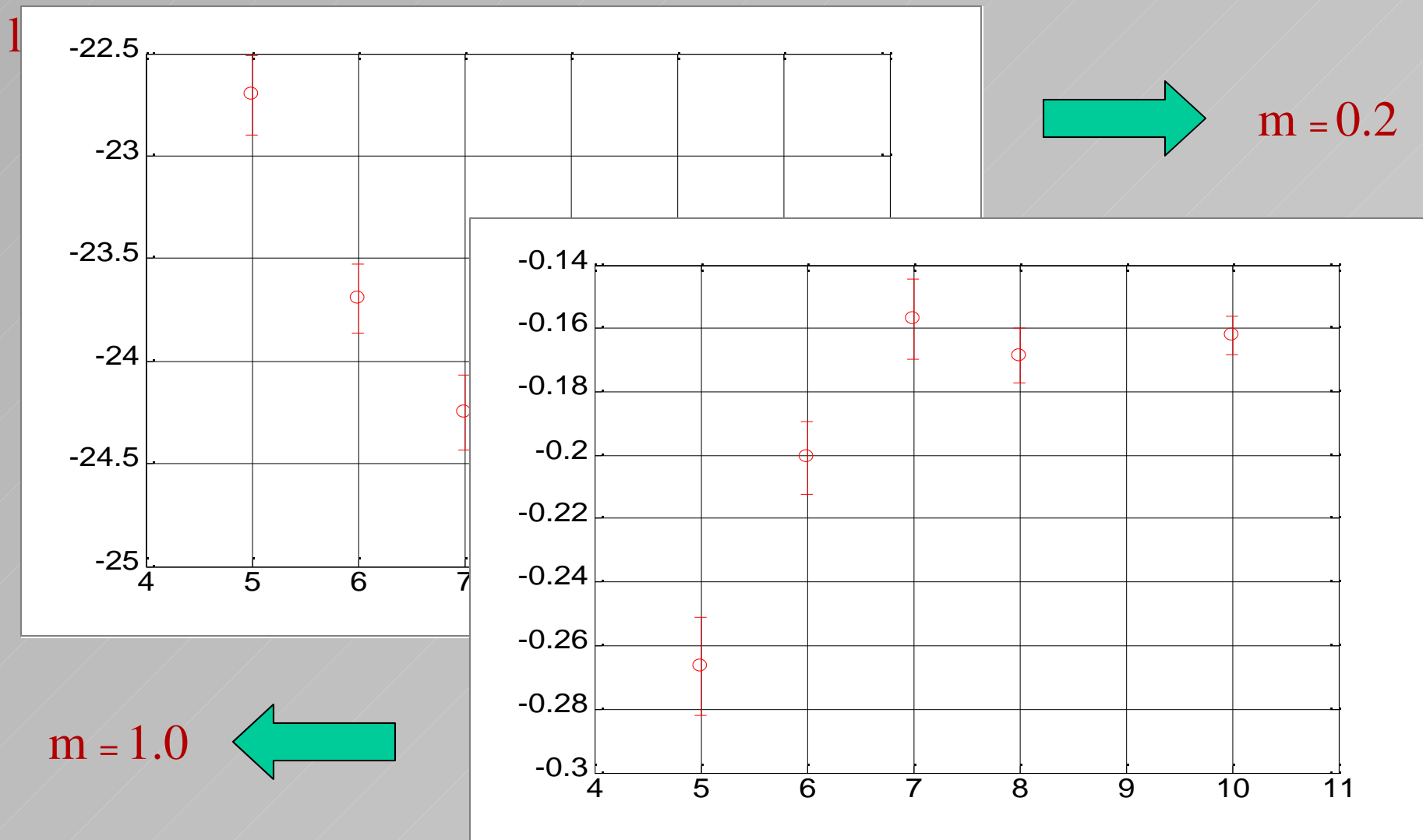
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As expected, the decay towards infinite volume is slower at small masses and this is confirmed by numerical data also for the fourth



## Conclusions and prospects

First results appear encouraging since they behave as expected

Extrapolation to infinite volume seems to be tougher at small

masses but it will be possible to get precise values by means of

Subsequent removal of IR divergence and extrapolation to bigger lattices  
zero mass appear feasible with good accuracy

The same algorithm could be used to determine any observable

at fixed covariant gauge