

# Glueballs:

At the interface between lattice  
QCD and constituent models

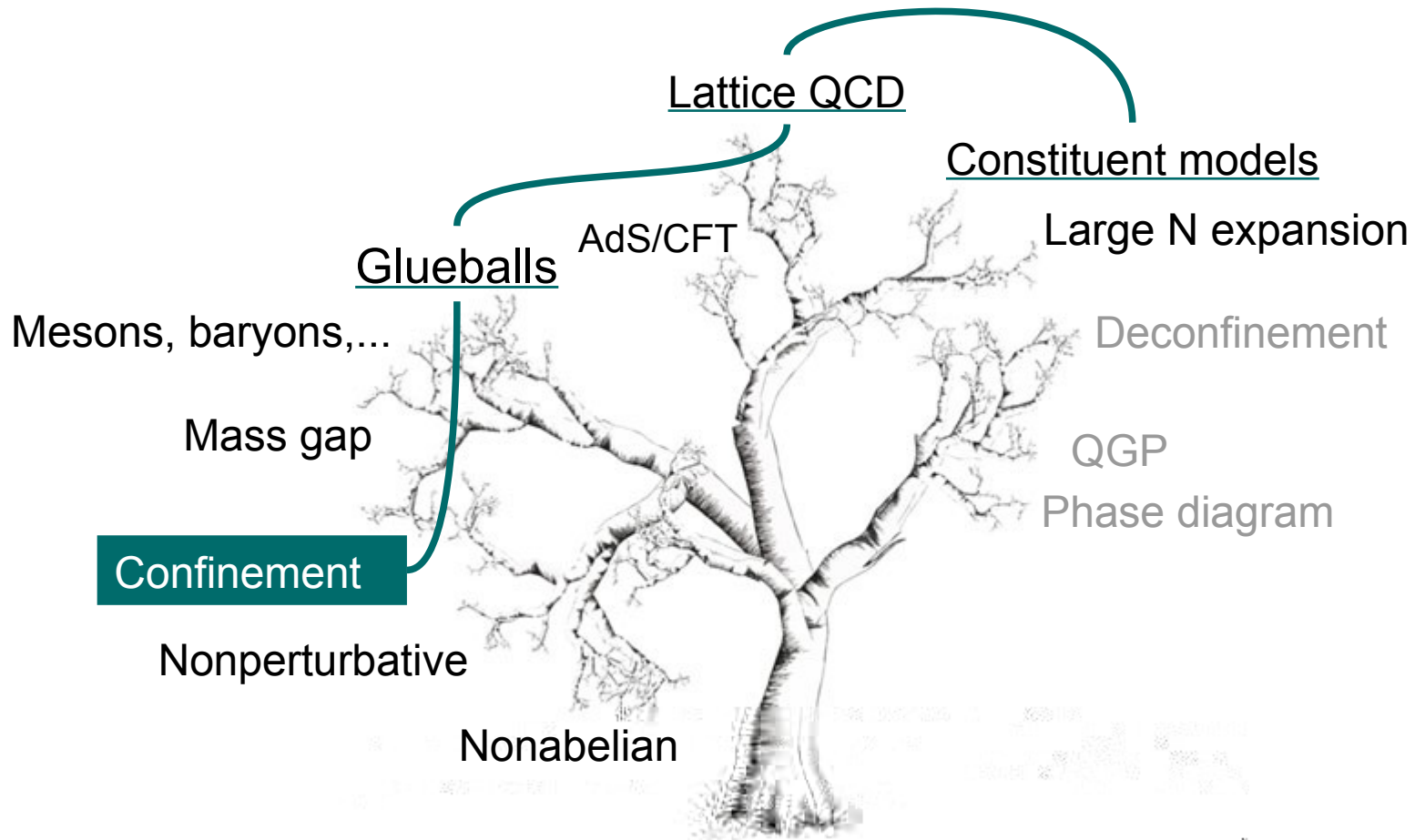
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# Prologue



$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = -\frac{1}{4} F_a^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}^a + \sum_f \bar{\psi}_f (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu + m_f) \psi_f$$

# Outline

A summary about glueballs

- Experimental data
- Lattice QCD
  - Mass spectrum
  - Wave function
- Effective approaches

How to build a constituent approach?

- Why?
- Informations from the lattice
  - Constituent gluons
  - Potential

Glueball mass spectrum

- Two- and three-body states
- Large N limit

Thermodynamics

Conclusions

# A summary about glueballs



# Experimental data

Nothing unambiguous yet

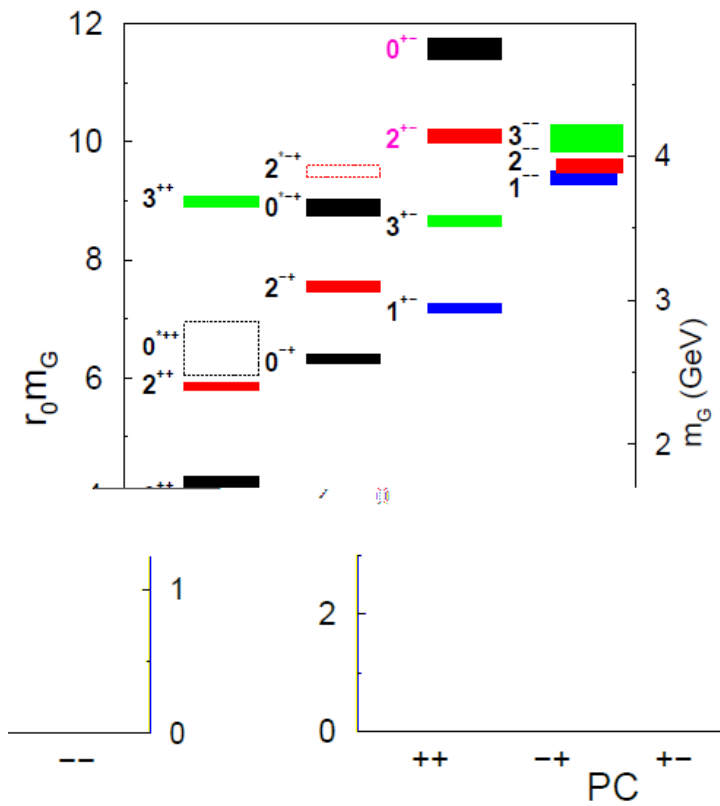
- Too many  $0(0^{++})$  states for the quark model
  - PDG:  $f_0(600)$ ,  $f_0(980)$ ,  $f_0(1370)$ ,  $f_0(1500)$ ,  $f_0(1710)$
  - Mixed states involving:  $|u\bar{u}\rangle + |d\bar{d}\rangle$ ,  $|s\bar{s}\rangle$ ,  $|G\rangle$
- Unclear status of the  $0(0^{-+})$  state  $\eta(1405)$
- Future: PANDA, GlueX, ...

Lack of unquenched QCD results

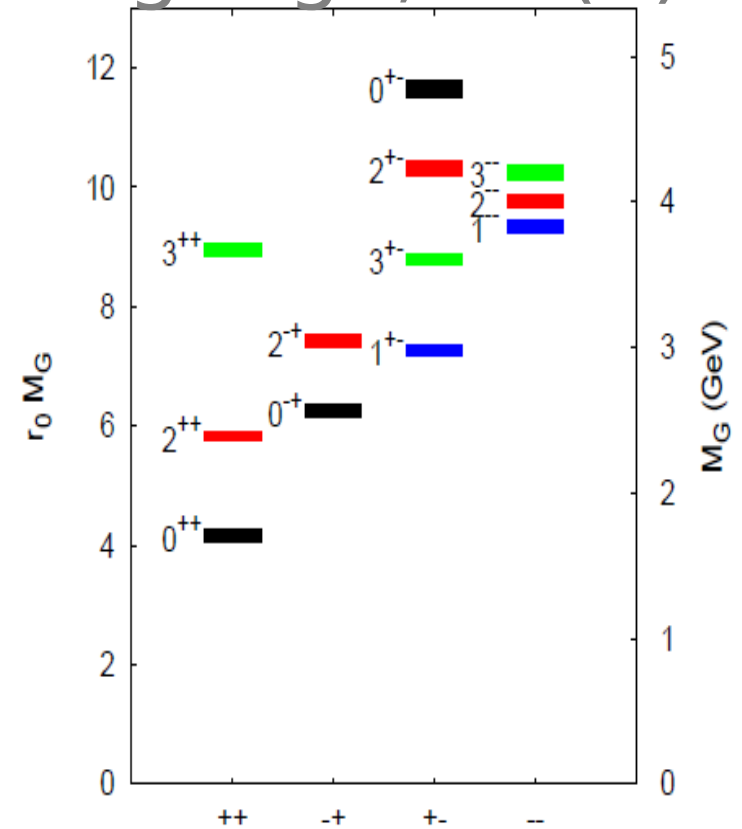
- Mixings in Fock space
- Decay widths

# Lattice results (I)

Mass spectrum: Pure gauge, SU(3)



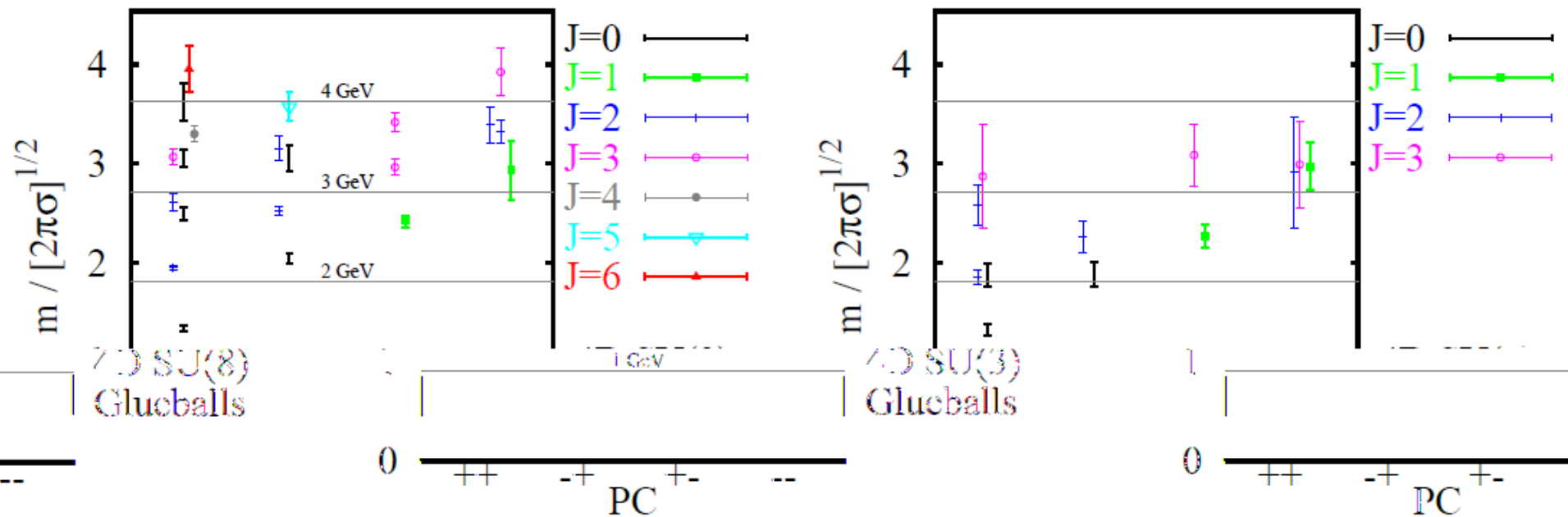
C. Morningstar and M. Peardon,  
Phys. Rev. D **60**, 034509 (1999)



Y. Chen *et al.*,  
Phys. Rev.D **73**, 014516 (2006)

# Lattice results (II)

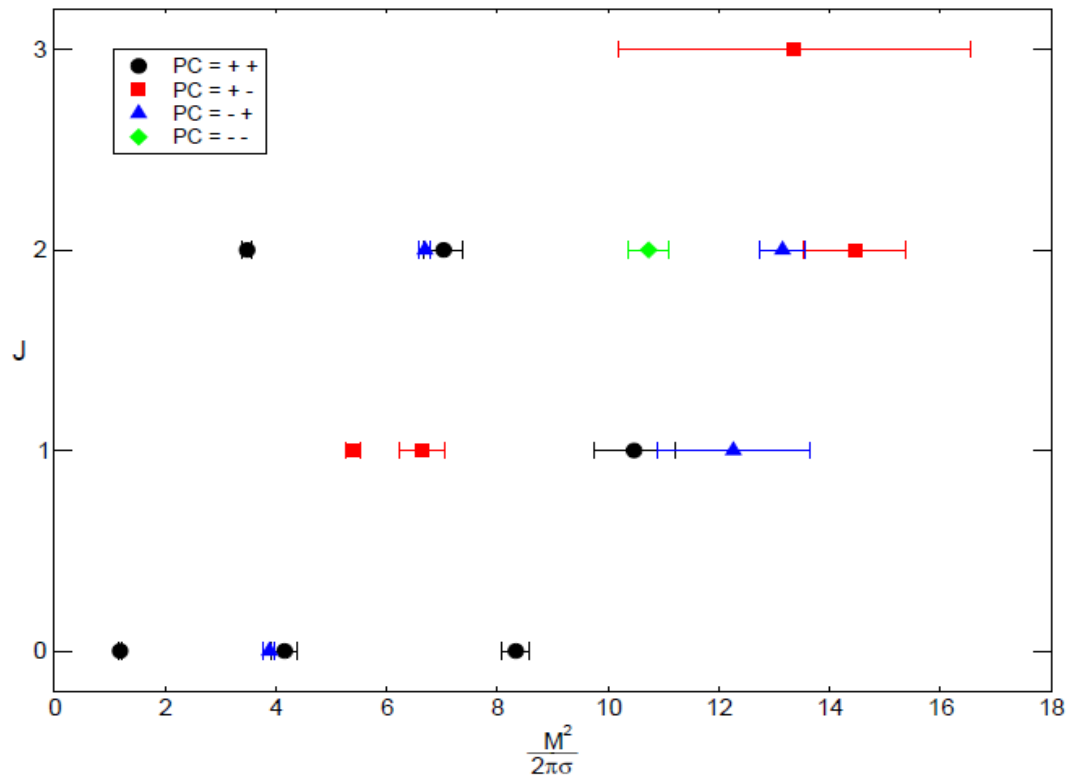
Pure gauge, SU(3) and SU(8)



H. B. Meyer and M. J. Teper, Phys. Lett. B **605**, 344 (2005)

# Lattice results (III)

Large N limit



B. Lucini, A. Rago, and E. Rinaldi, JHEP **1008**, 119 (2010)



# Lattice results (IV)

## Structure of the spectrum

- Lightest states with  $C = +$  :  $0^{++}$ ,  $2^{++}$ ,  $0^{-+}$ 
  - Scalar always the lowest-lying, 1400-1800 MeV
  - Range of some  $f_0$  states
- No light  $1^{P+}$  state

## Large N limit

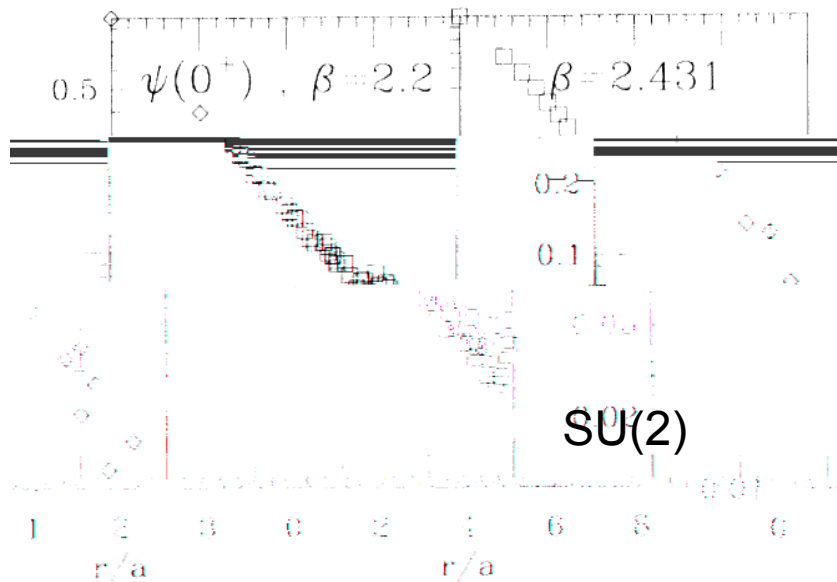
- Behavior in  $M_G(N) = M_G(\infty) + \frac{\theta}{N^2}$
- $\theta$  compatible with 0

# Lattice results (V)

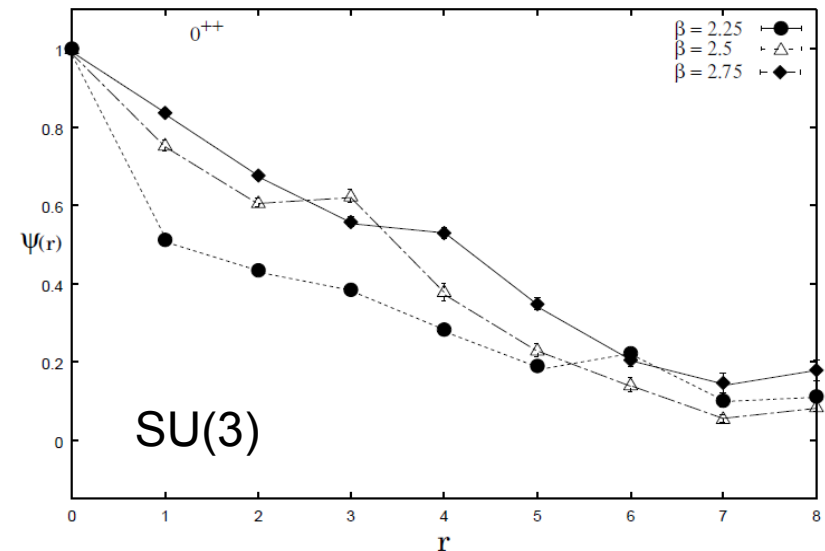
## 0<sup>++</sup> Wave functions

- Bethe-Salpeter for a two-gluon state

$$\chi(\vec{r}) = \langle 0 | s^{\mu\nu} \int d\hat{r} Y_{lm}(\hat{r}) A_{\mu}^{\dagger}(\vec{x}) A_{\nu}(\vec{x} + \vec{r}) | G \rangle$$



P. de Forcrand and K. F. Liu,  
Phys. Rev. Lett. **69**, 245 (1992)

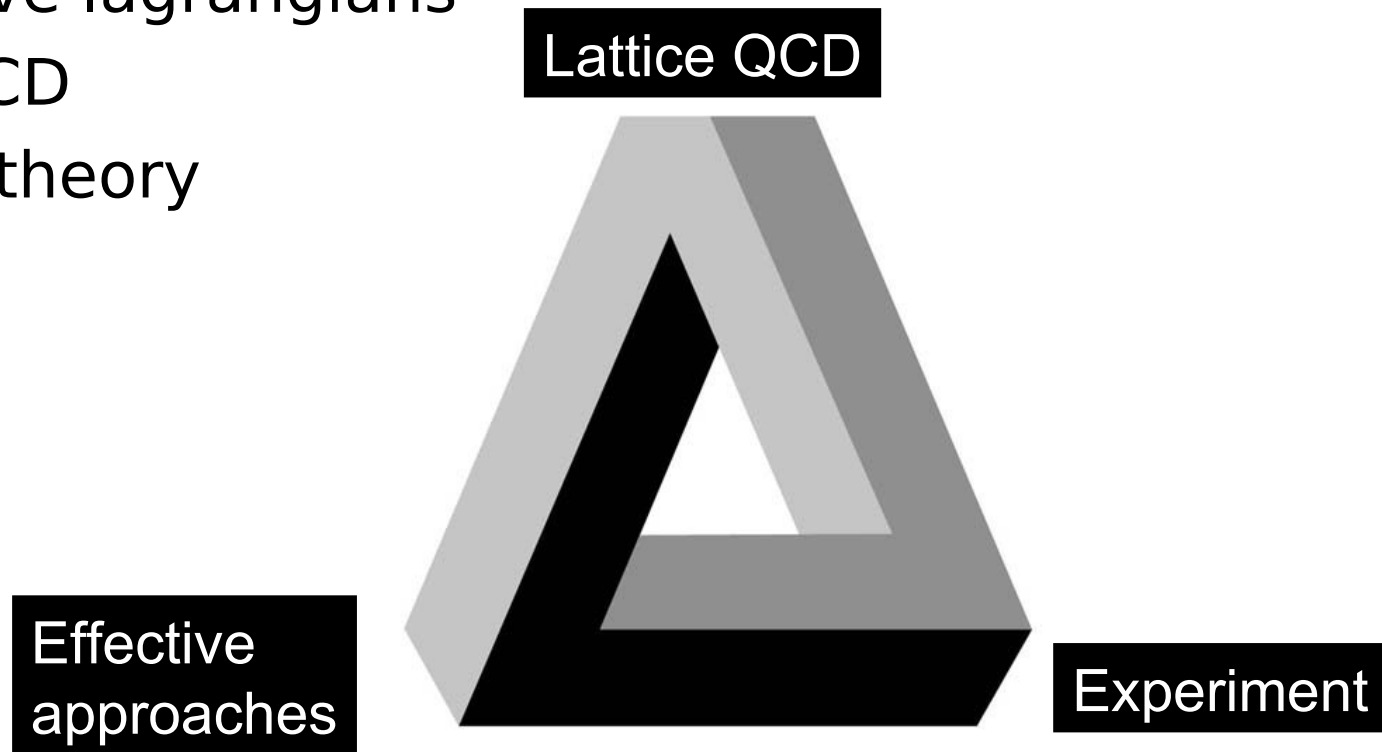


M. Loan and Y. Ying,  
Prog. Th. Phys. **116**, 169 (2006)

# Effective approaches

Large amount of theoretical works

- Potential models / Constituent approaches
- Effective lagrangians
- AdS/QCD
- String theory
- ...



# How to build a constituent approach?



# Why « constituent » ? (I)

Correlators  $\langle \Theta_G^\dagger(\tau) \Theta_G(0) \rangle \propto e^{-m_G \tau}$

- Glueball operators

- $0^{++} = \vec{E}_a^2 \pm \vec{B}_a^2$
- $1^{+-} = d_{abc} (\vec{E}_a \cdot \vec{E}_b) \vec{B}_c$

2 gluons

3 gluons

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- Gluelumps

- $1^{+-} = \vec{B}_a$

1 gluon

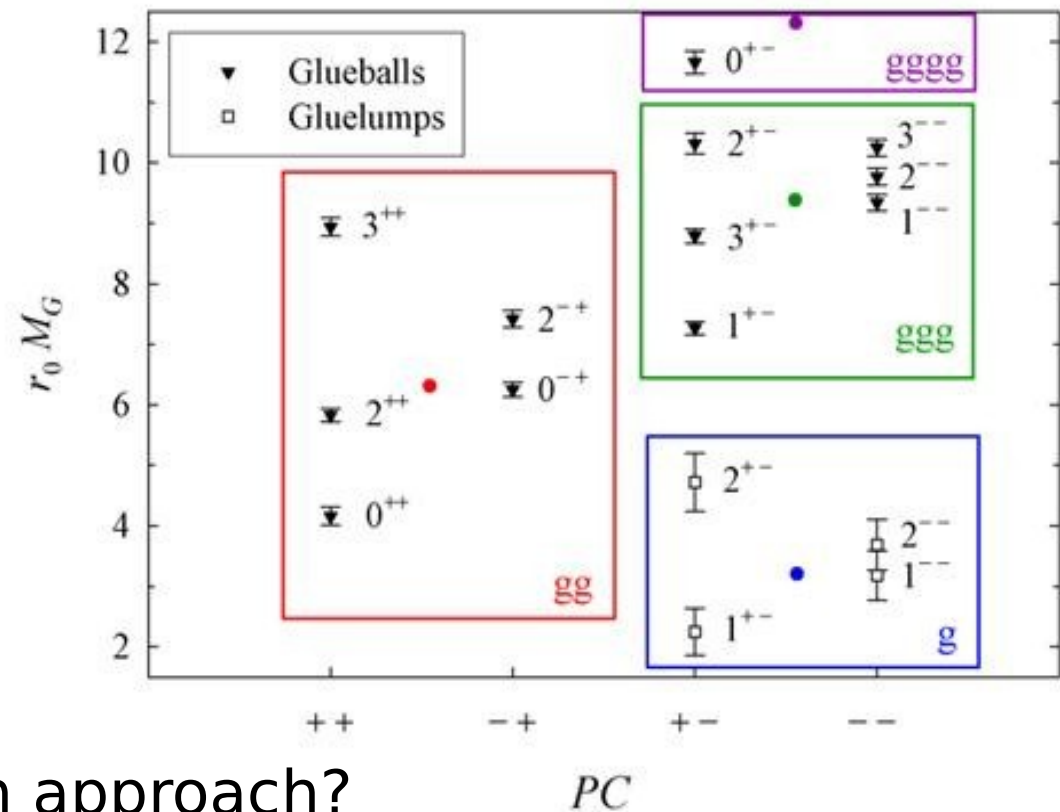
Large N

- Constituent approach as good (or bad) for  $N = 3$  than for large N

Mass gap

# Why « constituent » ? (II)

Assumption: Glueball = bound state of gluons



- Hamiltonian approach?

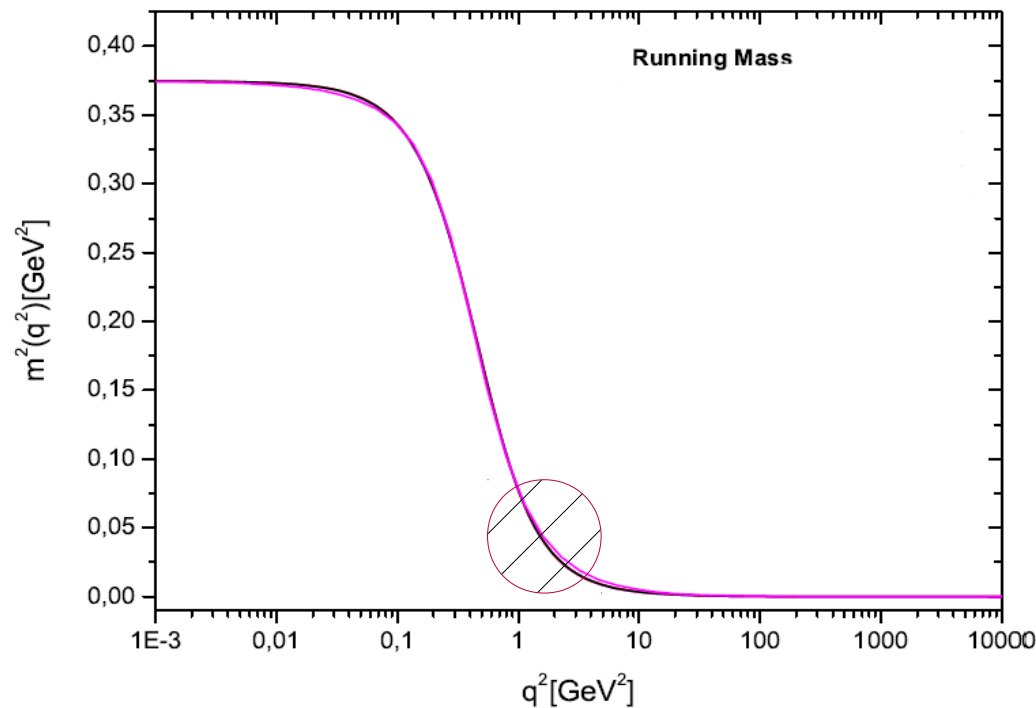
# Gluon's features (I)

## Color octet

- Singlet if more than 2 gluons
- Charge conjugation  $\hat{C} A_\mu \hat{C}^{-1} = -A_\mu^T$
- Glueball's C

## Gluon mass

- 0 bare mass
- Generated
  - About 600 MeV at  $q^2=0$
  - Quite small above  $q^2=1$  GeV



# Gluon's features (II)

## Spin degree of freedom

- Early works: spin 1,  $S_z = -1, 0, +1$ 
  - Usual LS basis like quark models
  - Too many states when compared to lattice

V. Mathieu, N. Kochelev and V. Vento, Int. J. Mod. Phys. E **18**, 1 (2009)

- Our approach: transverse gluons
  - Zero mass
  - Helicity 1,  $\lambda = \pm 1$
  - Jacob and Wick's helicity formalism
  - Only the lattice states

V. Mathieu, FB and C. Semay, Phys. Rev. D **77**, 114022 (2008).

M. Jacob and G. C. Wick, Ann. Phys. **7**, 404 (1959).



# Helicity formalism (I)

Two-gluon states

$$|\lambda_1, \lambda_2; J^P, M, \epsilon\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ \Omega_{M, \lambda_1 - \lambda_2}^J [|\psi(\vec{p}, \lambda_1)\rangle \otimes |\psi(-\vec{p}, \lambda_2)\rangle] \right. \\ \left. + \epsilon \Omega_{M, \lambda_2 - \lambda_1}^J [|\psi(\vec{p}, -\lambda_1)\rangle \otimes |\psi(-\vec{p}, -\lambda_2)\rangle] \right\}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2J+1}} e^{i\pi} e^{i\pi}$$

$$\times \mathcal{D}_{M, \lambda}^{J*}(\phi, \theta, -\phi) R(\phi, \theta, -\phi) X(\phi, \theta)$$

Quantum numbers

$$J \geq |\lambda_1 - \lambda_2|$$

$$P = \epsilon(-)^J, \quad C = +$$

# Helicity formalism (II)

## Helicity states + Pauli principle

- Color symmetric, spin-space symmetric
- No  $1^{++}$  and  $1^+$  states
  - Yang's theorem, no  $\rho \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
  - Lattice, no light  $J = 1$  glueball

- No  $3^+$ ,  $5^+$ ,  $7^+$ , ...

- Matrix elements  $\langle \vec{L}^2 \rangle = J(J + 1) + 2\lambda_1\lambda_2$

- Examples

$$|0^{++}\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |L = 0, S = 0\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} |L = 2, S = 2\rangle$$

$$|0^{-+}\rangle = - |L = 1, S = 1\rangle$$

# Interaction potential (I)

Hamiltonian: ansatz  $H_{gg} = 2\sqrt{\vec{p}^2} + V(r)$

- $0^{++}$  Mass and wave function from the lattice
- Inverse problem

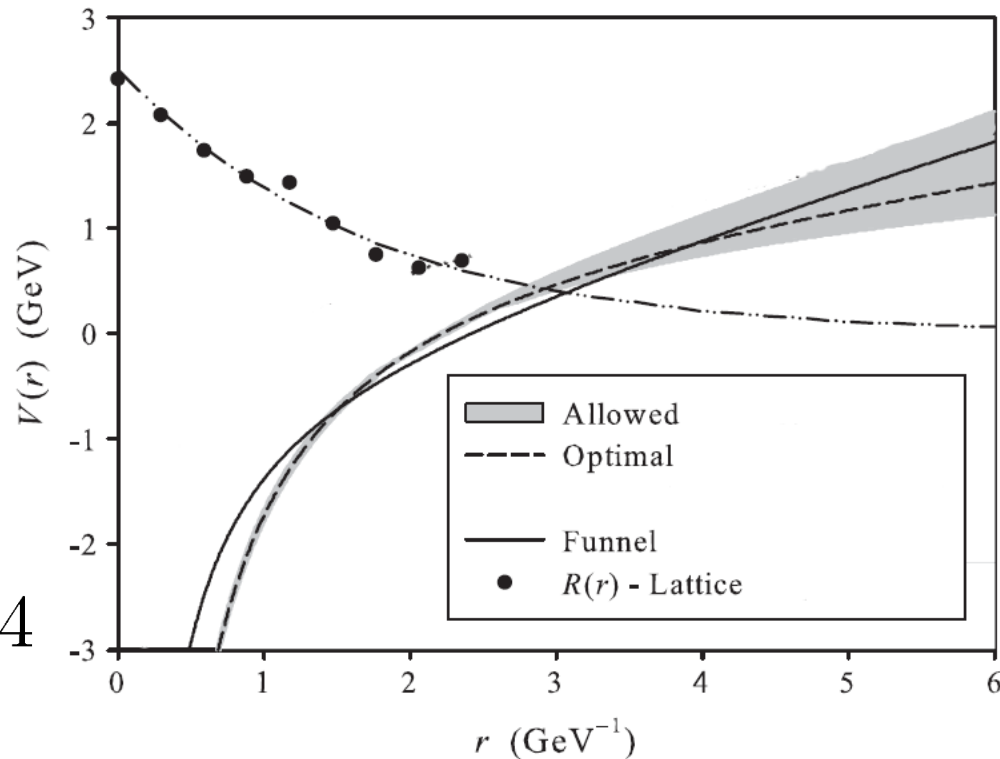
Funnel-like

- Standard,
  - Casimir scaling

$$V(r) = \frac{9}{4}\sigma r - 3\frac{\alpha_s}{r} - D$$

$$\sigma = 0.185 \text{ GeV}^2, \quad \alpha_s = 0.4$$

$$D = 0.45 \text{ GeV}$$



# Interaction potential (II)

## Instanton-induced forces

- Suggestion
  - Attractive in the scalar channel
  - Repulsive (same magnitude) in the pseudoscalar one

H. Forkel, Phys. Rev. D **71**, 054008 (2005)

- Negative D-constant

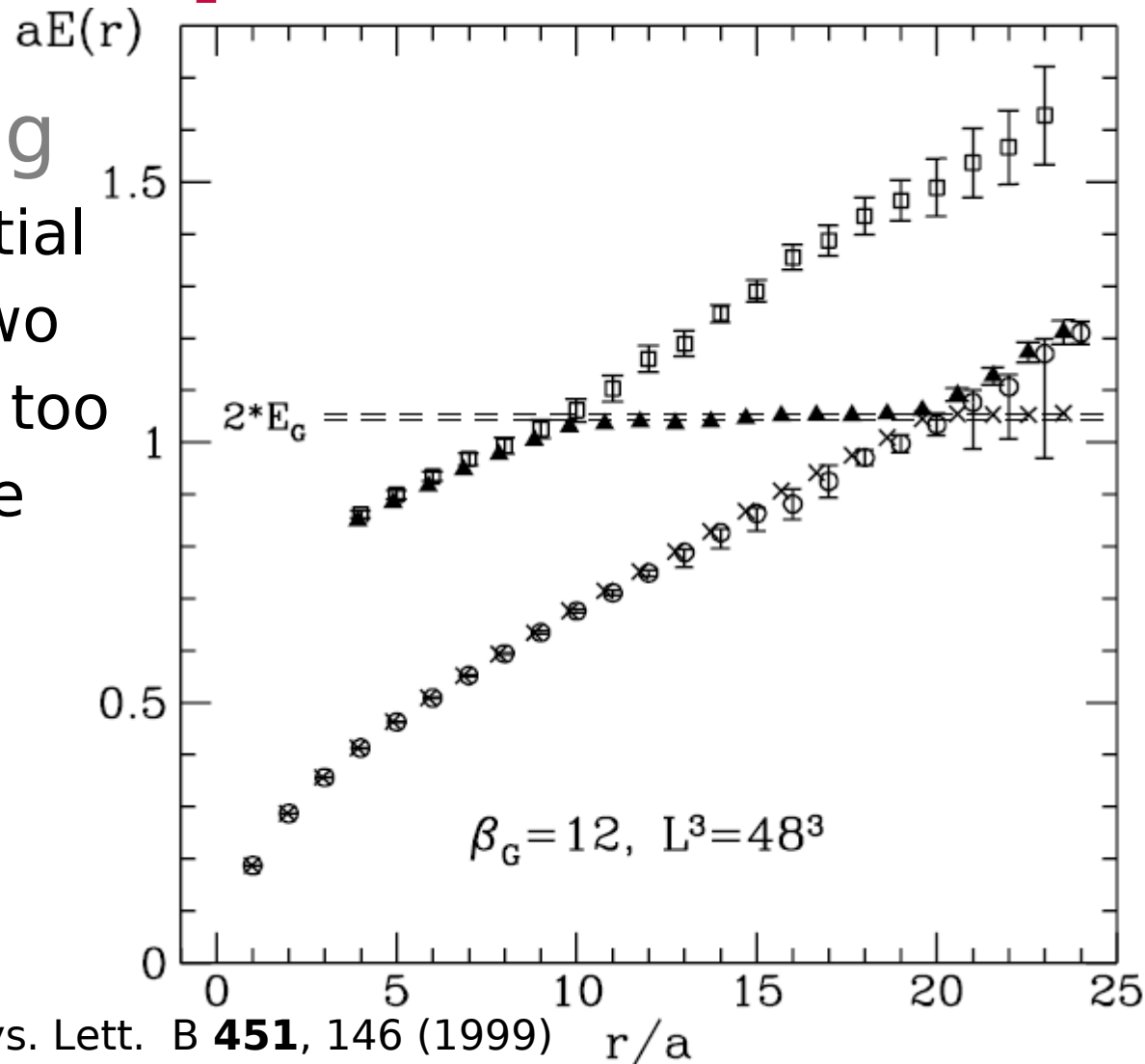
## Spin-effects

- Neglected in first approximation

# Interaction potential (III)

Adjoint string

- Funnel potential
- Creation of two gluelumps at too large distance

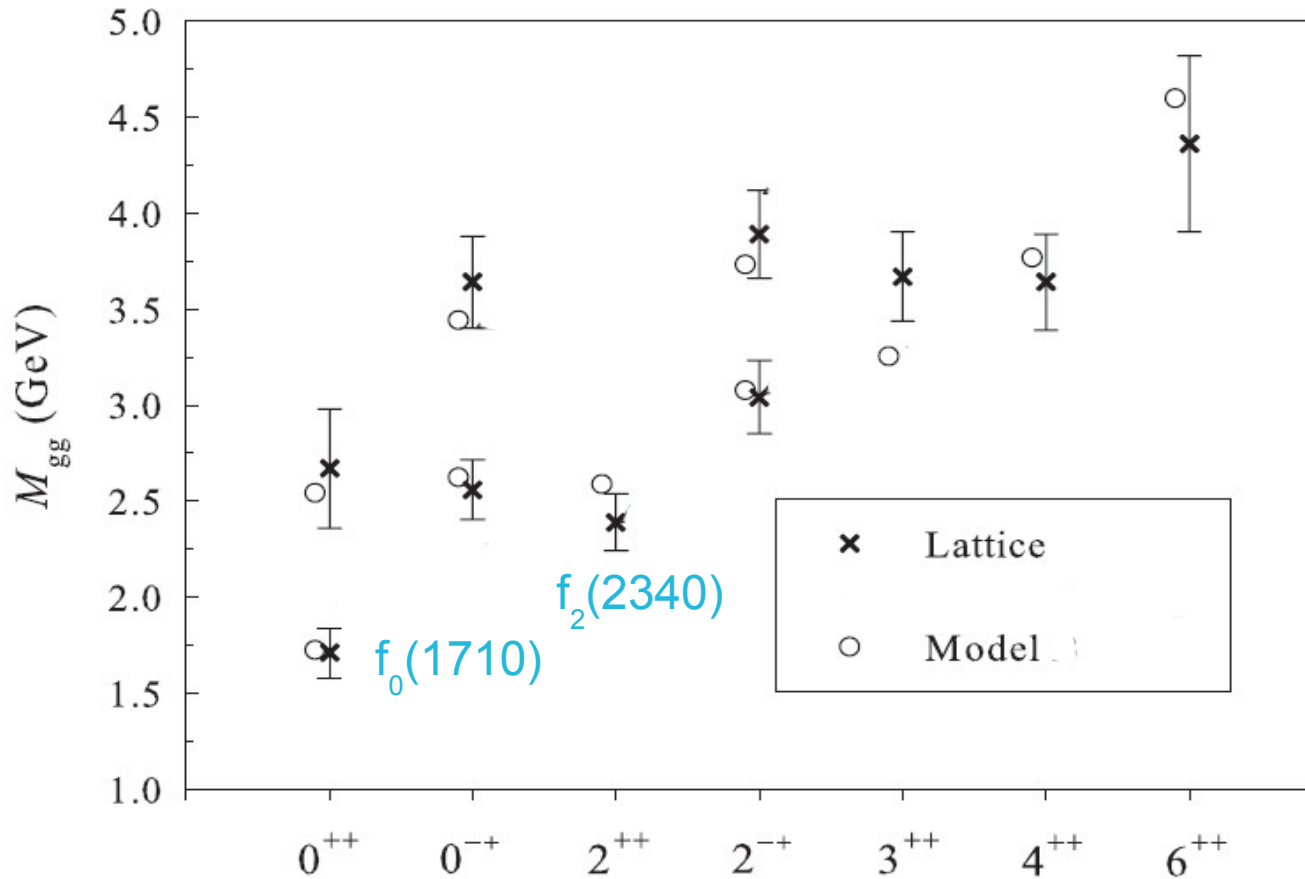


# Glueball mass spectrum



# Two gluons (I)

## Mass spectrum



# Two gluons (II)

## Transverse gluons

- No light  $J = 1$  state
- Expected number of states
- Good agreement
- Needed : relativistic kinematics

## Longitudinal gluons

- Too many states
- Poor agreement



# Three gluons (I)

## Color

- $[[8, 8]^{8_S}]^{1_S}$ ,  $C = -$ , symmetric spin-space

- Lightest states

- Like three photons

- Transverse: No light (pseudo)scalar state

F.G. Fumi, L. Wolfenstein, Phys. Rev. **90**, 498 (1953)

- $[[8, 8]^{8_A}]^{1_A}$ ,  $C = +$ , antisymmetric spin-space

## Problem: Wick's formalism

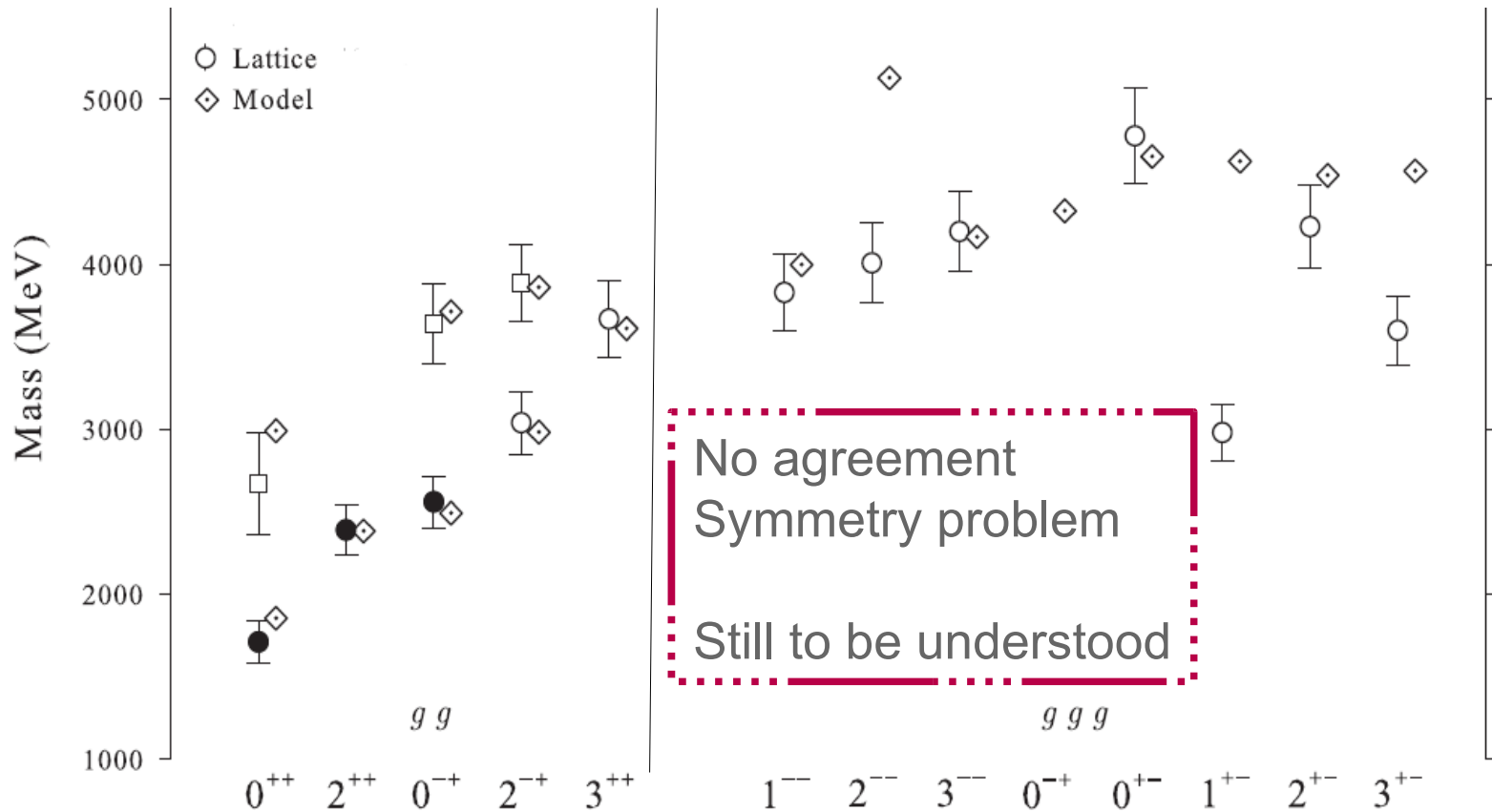
- Not available yet for three-gluon glueballs

G.C. Wick, Ann. Phys. (N.Y.) **18**, 65 (1962)

# Three gluons (II)

## Mass spectrum with spin-1 gluons

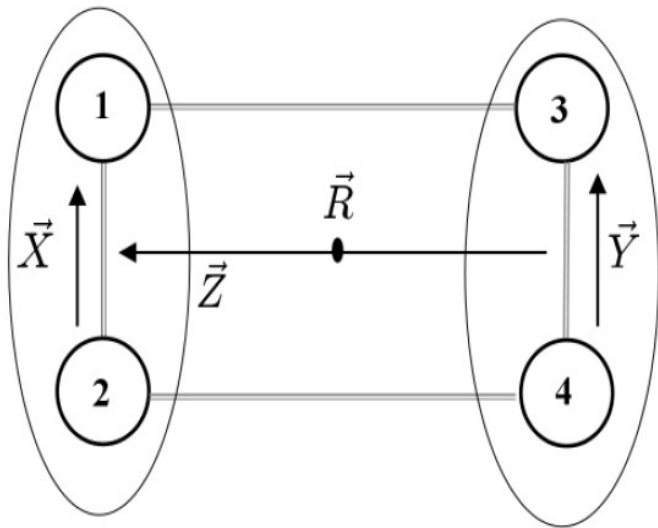
V. Mathieu, C. Semay, and B. Silvestre-Brac, Phys. Rev. D **77**, 094009 (2008)



# Four gluons?

A heavy  $0^+$  state seen on the lattice

- Highly excited three-gluon state
- Low-lying four-gluon state
  - Proposal, color function  $[[8, 8]^{10}, [8, 8]^{\bar{1}0}]^1$
  - Symmetry  $\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$



Mass estimate, ok with lattice QCD

Many-body helicity formalism needed

# Large N limit

Strong coupling  $\sigma = \frac{C_R}{N} \sigma_0$

L. Del Debbio, H. Panagopoulos, P. Rossi, and E. Vicari, JHEP **01**, 009 (2002)

- Invariant with N if R = Adjoint

One gluon exchange  $\propto C_R \alpha_s \propto \frac{C_R}{N} \alpha_0$

- Invariant with N if R = Adjoint

→ Spectrum roughly invariant with N

- OK with recent lattice studies, up to SU(8)

B. Lucini, A. Rago, and E. Rinaldi, JHEP **1008**, 119 (2010)

# Thermodynamics



# Warming up

Increasing the temperature

$$T = 0$$

- « Usual QCD »
- Confinement
- Hadron gas

$$T > T_c$$

- QGP
- Deconfinement
- Quark - gluon gas

$$T = T_c$$

- Phase transition

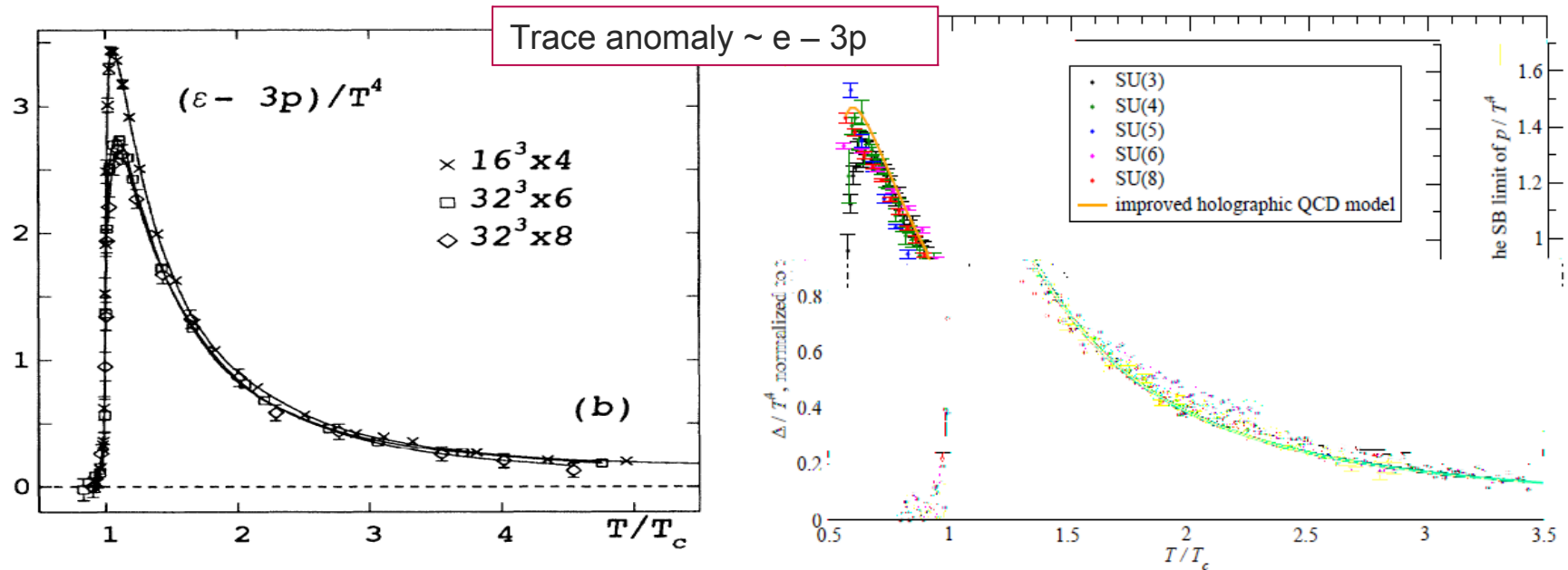
Pure Yang-Mills similar to QCD

# Equation of state

## Results from the lattice

G. Boyd *et al.*, PRL **75**, 4169 (1995)

M. Panero, PRL **103**, 232001 (2009)



Phase transition, « weakly first order »

# Quasiparticle models

Well above  $T_c$

- Ideal gas of deconfined gluons
  - Thermal masses from perturbation theory
  - Scaling in  $(N^2 - 1)$  as expected

Around  $T_c$

- Strongly interacting gas of deconfined gluons
  - Maybe presence of glueballs
  - Not fully understood

Below  $T_c$

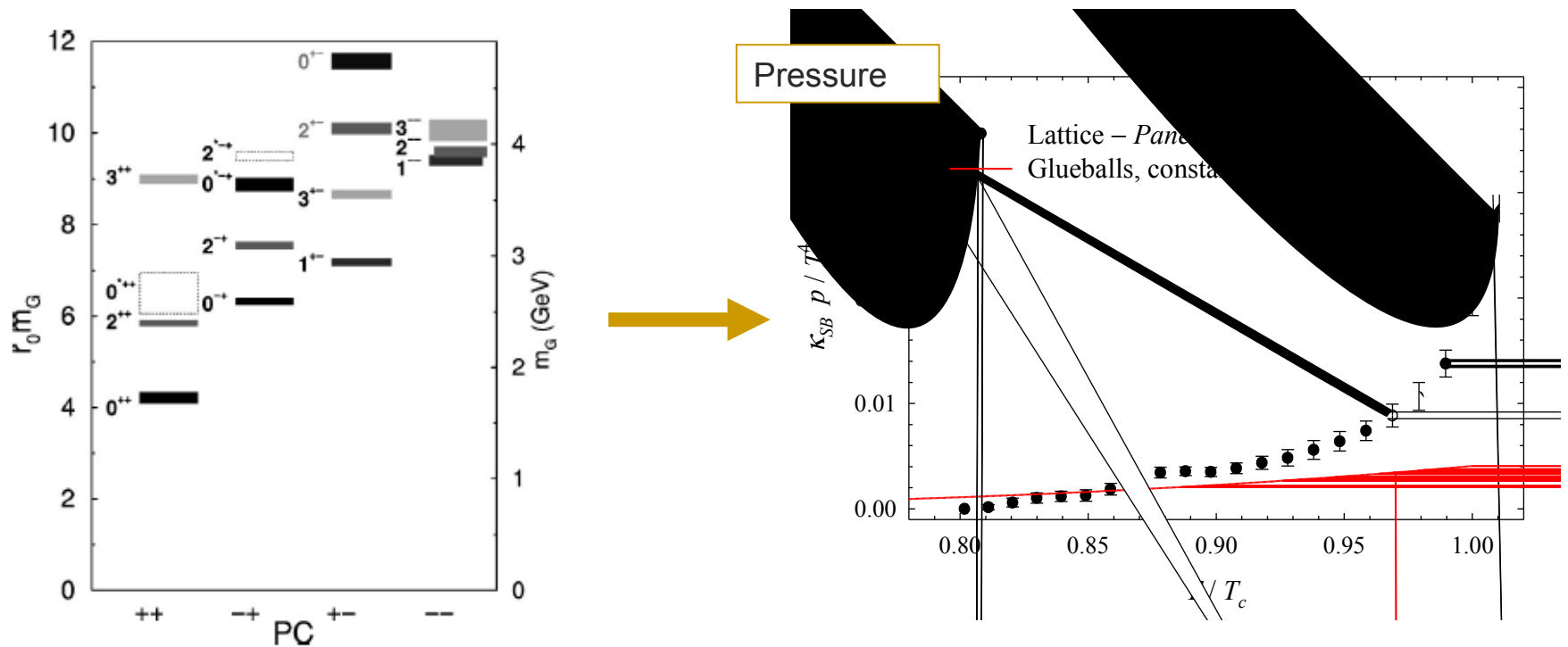
- Glueball gas
  - Not studied a lot



# Simple glueball gas

Basic model: Ideal Bose gas

- Input, lattice spectrum +  $T_c = 300$  MeV



# Hagedorn spectrum (I)

Pressure underestimated

- Glueball pressure suppressed  $\propto (2J + 1) e^{-m_G/T}$
- Negligible contribution of high-lying states

String picture of glueballs

- String theory predicts a Hagedorn spectrum :  
Degeneracy growing like  $e^{+m_G/T}$
- Relevant contribution of high-lying states
- Might be suggested by experimental data  
(mesons and baryons)

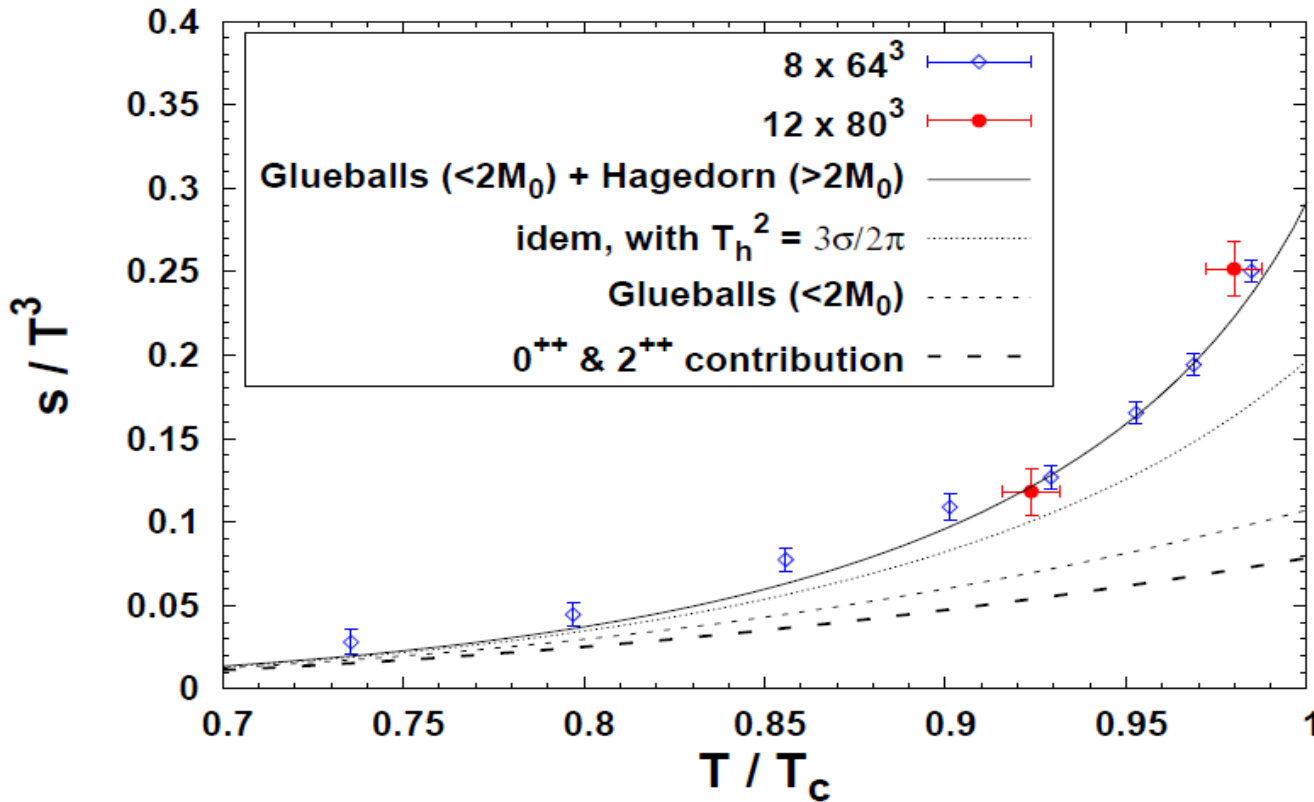
W. Broniowski, W. Florkowski and L. Y. Glozman, PRD **70**, 117503 (2004)

# Hagedorn spectrum (II)

## Agreement with lattice data

H. B. Meyer, PRD **80**, 051502(R) (2009)

Entropy of the confined phase ( $N_c=3, N_f=0$ )



$$\frac{T_h}{T_c} = 1.024$$

# Conclusions



# Summary (I)

Glueballs : « QCD only »

- Pure gauge bound states

Lattice : various data available

- Mass spectrum in different cases
- Wave function
- Thermodynamics

Constituent models

- Successful for mesons and baryons
- Mass spectrum partly agrees with lattice data
  - Standard Hamiltonian
  - Transverse gluons with relativistic kinematics
- Glueball gas for gluonic matter below  $T_c$

# Outlook

## Three-gluon bound states

- Need to deal with helicity states for three identical transverse bodies
- $C = -$  sector in lattice still not understood

## Experimental candidates

- Possibly seen in  $f_0$  and  $f_2$  resonances
- Probably not pure glue state
- Issue : « unquenching » the existing models
  - Much remains to be done

# Very last slide

## Lattice

- More fundamental
- Gives « all »
- Numerical

## Constituent models

- Less fundamental
- Capture essential features
- Intuitive / analytical

Complete each other

