

# Low temperature condensation and scattering data

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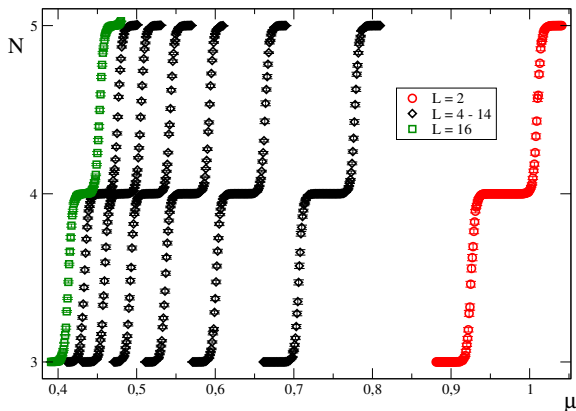
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## Motivation: Particle Number vs. $\mu$

- ▶ Typical scenario at low  $T$  (fixed) and finite  $V$  ( $= L^{d-1}$ ):



- ▶ Nature of condensation steps?
- ▶ Condensation thresholds  $\mu_c^i \Leftrightarrow$  low energy parameters

# Our approach

- ▶ We study the low temperature regime of a QFT at finite density
- ▶ For small spatial lattices particle sectors are separated by finite energy steps  $\Rightarrow$  particle condensation
- ▶ Critical chemical potentials  $\mu_c^i$  of these transitions are related to the minimal  $N$ -particle energies  $W_N$
- ▶ At finite volume scattering information is encoded in  $W_N$
- ▶ We measure the  $\mu_c^i$  with worldline simulations and try to extract low energy scattering parameters

# The framework

- ▶ Model: complex field with  $\phi^4$  interaction in 2D and 4D

$$S = \sum_{n \in \Lambda} \left( \eta |\phi_n|^2 + \lambda |\phi_n|^4 - \sum_{\nu=1}^d [e^{\mu \delta_{\nu,d}} \phi_n^* \phi_{n+\hat{\nu}} + e^{-\mu \delta_{\nu,d}} \phi_n^* \phi_{n-\hat{\nu}}] \right)$$

with  $\eta \equiv 2d + m_0^2$  and  $\phi_n \in \mathbb{C}$

- ▶ Sign problem for  $\mu \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  Monte Carlo not possible
- ▶ Worldline rep. with real and positive weights solves sign problem

# Worldline representation for the complex $\phi^4$ field

- ▶ In the worldline approach the grand canonical partition sum is exactly rewritten in terms of dual link variables  $k_{n,\nu} \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$Z = \sum_{\{k\}} e^{\mu\beta W_t[k]} B[k] C[k]$$

- ▶  $W_t[k] =$  temporal winding number of the worldlines
- ▶ Real and positive weight factors  $B[k]$

- ▶ Constraints  $C[k] = \prod_n \delta(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{k}_n)$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{k}_n = \sum_{\nu} (k_{n,\nu} - k_{n-\hat{\nu},\nu}) = 0 \quad \forall n$$

# Configurations and worldline simulations

Constraints  $C[k]$  yield vanishing divergence condition:

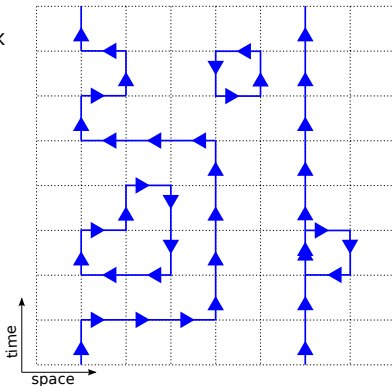
$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{k}_n = \sum_{\nu} (k_{n,\nu} - k_{n-\hat{\nu},\nu}) = 0 \quad \forall n$$

- ▶ Admissible configuration for the  $k$ -flux are closed and oriented loops

- ▶ Observable:  $\langle N \rangle(\mu) = \langle W_t[k] \rangle$

- ▶ MC with adapted worm algorithm

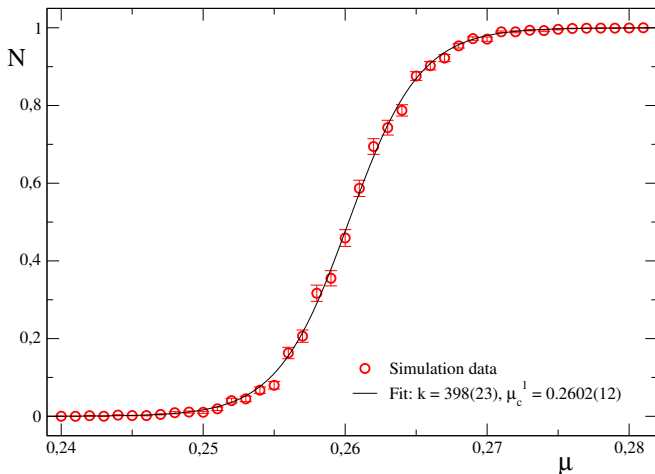
M. Giuliani, C. Gattlinger, arXiv:1702.04771



## Measuring the condensation thresholds (2D case)

Fit the steps to a logistic function  $\Rightarrow \mu_c^i$  is inflection point

$$N(\mu) = (i - 1) + \left[ 1 + e^{-k(\mu - \mu_c^i)} \right]^{-1}$$



# Interpretation of the condensation steps

Grand canonical partition sum

$$Z = \text{tr} e^{-\beta(\hat{H} - \mu \hat{Q})} = e^{-\beta \Omega(\mu)}$$

Low  $T$ :  $Z$  will be governed by the minimal grand potential  $\Omega(\mu)$  in each particle sector

$$\Omega(\mu) \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow 0} \begin{cases} \Omega_{min}^{N=0} = 0, & \mu \in [0, \mu_c^1) \\ \Omega_{min}^{N=1} = W_1 - 1\mu, & \mu \in (\mu_c^1, \mu_c^2) \\ \Omega_{min}^{N=2} = W_2 - 2\mu, & \mu \in (\mu_c^2, \mu_c^3) \\ \dots, & \end{cases}$$

with renormalized mass  $W_1 \equiv m$ , minimal 2-particle energy  $W_2, \dots$



## Interpretation of the condensation steps

- ▶ Condensation thresholds are related to the minimal  $N$ -particle energies:

$$W_1 = \mu_c^1 \equiv m$$

$$W_2 = \mu_c^1 + \mu_c^2$$

$$W_3 = \mu_c^1 + \mu_c^2 + \mu_c^3$$

⋮

$$W_N = \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_c^i$$

- ▶  $W_N$  depend on low energy parameters (LEP)
- ▶ Describe condensation thresholds in terms of LEP

# Important cross-check with conventional spectroscopy

- ▶  $\mu = 0 \Rightarrow$  Monte Carlo in conventional representation
- ▶ We compute the connected  $2N$ -point functions

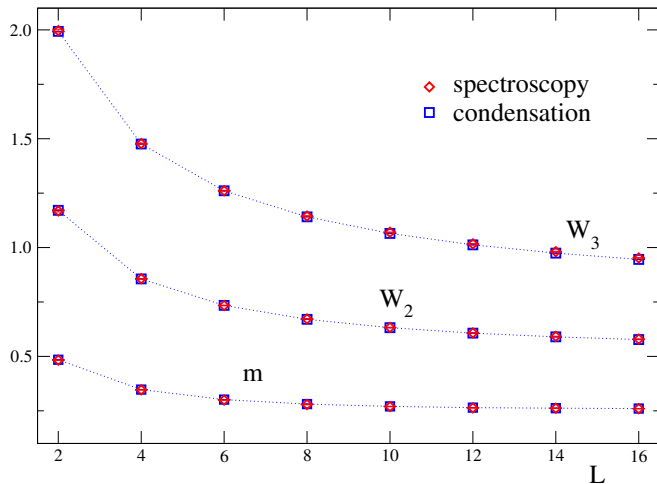
$$\left\langle (\tilde{\phi}_t)^N (\tilde{\phi}_0^*)^N \right\rangle_c \propto e^{-tE_N}$$

with  $E_1 = m$ ,  $E_2 = W_2$ ,  $E_3 = W_3$ ,  $\dots$

$\Rightarrow$  fields are projected to zero momentum

- ▶ Extract the  $N$ -particle energies from the exponential decay of correlators

## Spectroscopy versus WL simulations (2D case)



⇒ Interpretation of condensation steps as  $m$ ,  $W_2$ ,  $W_3$  confirmed!

## $L$ -dependence of $N$ -particle energies (4D case)

$$m = m_\infty + \frac{A}{L^{\frac{3}{2}}} e^{-Lm_\infty}$$

Rummukainen & Gottlieb 1995

$$W_2 = 2m + \frac{4\pi a}{mL^3} \left[ 1 - \frac{a\mathcal{I}}{L\pi} + \left(\frac{a}{L}\right)^2 \frac{\mathcal{I}^2 - \mathcal{J}}{\pi^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{a}{L}\right)^3 \right]$$

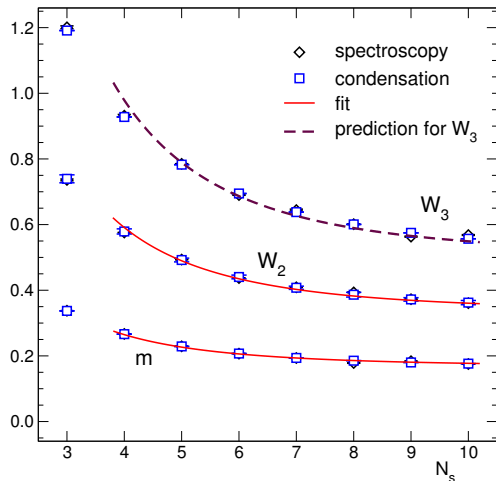
Huang & Yang 1957, Lüscher 1986

$$W_3 = 3m + \frac{12\pi a}{mL^3} \left[ 1 - \frac{a\mathcal{I}}{L\pi} + \left(\frac{a}{L}\right)^2 \frac{\mathcal{I}^2 + \mathcal{J}}{\pi^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{a}{L}\right)^3 \right]$$

Beane *et al.* 2007, Hansen & Sharpe 2014, 15, 16, Sharpe 2017

- ▶ Infinite-volume mass  $m_\infty$
- ▶ Scattering length  $a$   $[\delta(k) = \delta(0) - ak + \mathcal{O}(k^2)]$
- ▶ Numerical constants  $\mathcal{I} = -8.914$  and  $\mathcal{J} = 16.532$

## Results for 4D



►  $m_\infty = 0.168(1)$  and  $a = -0.078(7)$

► Good "prediction" of  $W_3$  except for very small  $L$  ( $\equiv N_s$ )

## Scattering data in 2D

In 2D the full scattering phase shift can be determined from the periodic boundary condition: M. Lüscher, U. Wolff, Nucl. Phys. B 339, 222 (1990)

$$e^{2i\delta(k)} = e^{-ikL}$$

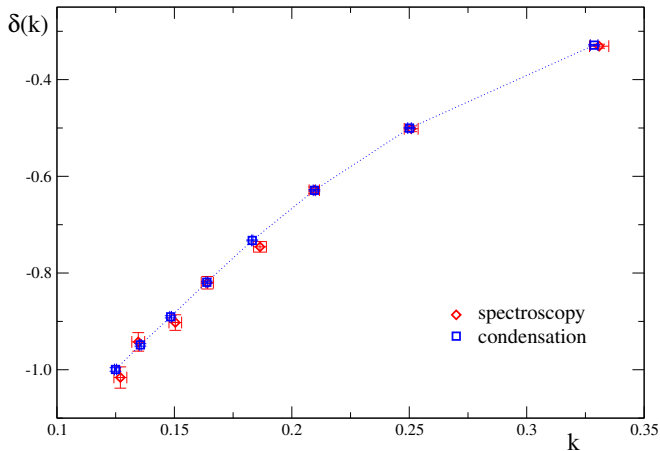
We assume a short-range interaction

$$W_2 = 2\sqrt{m^2 + k^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad k(L) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{W_2(L)}{2}\right)^2 - m(L)^2}$$

For fixed  $m_0$  and  $\lambda$  the momentum depends only on the lattice size  $L$

$$\delta(L) = \delta(k(L)) = -\frac{k(L)L}{2}$$

## Scattering phase shift in 2D



- Very good agreement of spectroscopy and worldline results

## 3-particle energy in 2D

In 4D:  $W_3$  only depends on  $m(L)$  and the scattering length  $a$

We repeat the discussion as in the  $W_2$  case

$$W_3 = \sum_{k=1}^3 \sqrt{p_k^2 + m^2} \quad \text{with } p_3 = -p_1 - p_2$$

For  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  we employ the quantization conditions

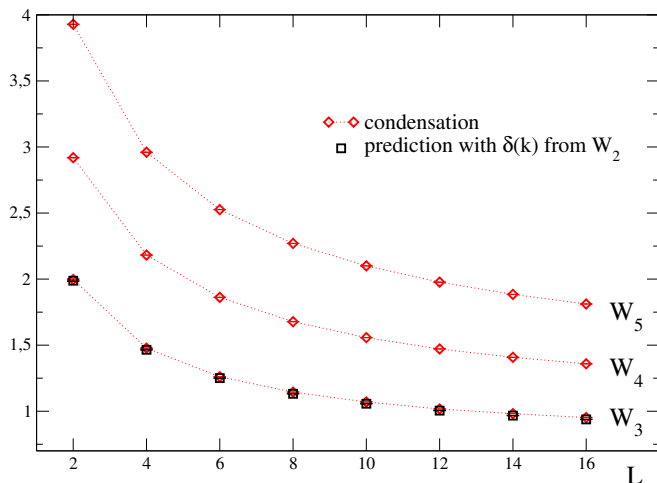
$$e^{-ip_k L} = e^{2i\delta(L)}$$

Then  $W_3$  is completely determined by  $m(L)$  and  $\delta(L)$

$$W_3(L) = 2\sqrt{\left(\frac{2\delta(L)}{L}\right)^2 + m(L)^2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{4\delta(L)}{L}\right)^2 + m(L)^2}$$



## $N$ -particle energies in 2D



- ▶ Good prediction of  $W_3$  with  $\delta(k)$  from  $W_2$
- ▶ Second and third condensation steps are understood in terms of the scattering phase shift  $\delta(k)$
- ▶ Higher  $N$ -particle energies: work in progress

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## Future work

- ▶ Better understanding of higher  $N$ -particle energies in 2D (in terms of low energy parameters)
- ▶ Large volume limit

Thank you for listening!

Backup slides

## Simulation parameters

- ▶ Parameters for 4D simulations:

- ▶  $\eta = 8 + m_0^2 = 7.44$ ,  $\lambda = 1.0$ ,  $N_T = 320, 640$ ,  $N_s = 3, 4, \dots, 10$

- ▶ Parameters for 2D simulations:

- ▶  $\eta = 4 + m_0^2 = 2.6$ ,  $\lambda = 1.0$ ,  $N_T = 400$ ,  $N_s = 2, 4, \dots, 16$

## Worldline representation of the complex $\phi^4$ field

Full partition sum in terms of the dual degrees of freedom, i.e., the link variables  $k_{x,\nu} \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $a_{x,\nu} \in \mathbb{N}$

$$Z = \sum_{\{k,a\}} e^{\mu\beta} \sum_x k_{x,d} \left( \prod_{x,\nu} \frac{1}{(|k_{x,\nu}| + a_{x,\nu})! a_{x,\nu}!} \right) \left( \prod_x \delta(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{k}_x) \right) \\ \times \left( \prod_x I \left( \sum_\nu [ |k_{x,\nu}| + |k_{x-\hat{\nu},\nu}| + 2(a_{x,\nu} + a_{x-\hat{\nu},\nu}) ] \right) \right)$$

$$\text{with } I(n) = \int_0^\infty dr r^{n+1} e^{-\eta r^2 - \lambda r^4}$$