

Solution of the $O(N)$ model in the $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$ truncation of 2PI: an IR problem

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Motivation

- Stability of the order of the phase transition wrt approximations
Hartree-Fock: 1st ✗ 2-Loop: 2nd ✓ $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$?
- 2-Loop exponents are mean field $\rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$ truncation has Z ,
might lead to non-mean field exponents
- Transverse gap mass in the 2-Loop strongly breaks the
Goldstone theorem. Does it get better?
- IR problems in the 2-Loop $O(2)_\mu$: similar mechanics to what we
will see here.

Introduction to 2PI

2PI is an exact, functional method which gives self-consistent equations for the 1- and 2-point function.

A bilocal source is introduced in the generating functional

$$Z[J, K] = e^{W[J, K]} = \int \mathcal{D}\varphi \exp [- S_0 - S_{\text{int}} + \varphi \cdot J + \varphi \cdot K \cdot \varphi]$$

The 2PI effective action defined through a double Legendre transform

$$\gamma[\phi, G] = W[J, K] - \int d^4x \underbrace{\frac{\delta W[J, K]}{\delta J(x)}}_{\phi(x)} J(x) - \int d^4x \int d^4y \underbrace{\frac{\delta W[J, K]}{\delta K(x, y)}}_{[\phi(x)\phi(y)+G(x,y)]/2} K(x, y)$$

The physical $\bar{\phi}(x)$ and $\bar{G}(x, y)$ are determined from stationarity conditions at vanishing sources ($J, K \rightarrow 0$)

$$\left. \frac{\delta \gamma[\phi, G]}{\delta \phi(x)} \right|_{\bar{\phi}(x)} = 0, \quad \left. \frac{\delta \gamma[\phi, G]}{\delta G(x, y)} \right|_{\bar{G}(x, y)} = 0$$

The 2PI effective action has a diagrammatic expansion, which needs to be truncated to be solved.

$\gamma[\phi, G]$ can be written as shown in [Cornwall et al., PRD 10, 2428 \(1974\)](#)

$$\gamma[\phi, G] = S_0(\phi) + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \log G^{-1} + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} [G_0^{-1} G - 1] + \gamma_{\text{int}}[\phi, G]$$

S_0 is the free action,

G_0 is the free propagator,

$\gamma_{\text{int}}[\phi, G]$ contains all the 2PI graphs constructed with vertices from $S_{\text{int}}(\phi + \varphi)$.

The Tr is to be understood in all indices and as integration over coordinates.

The 1PI effective action is recovered: $\Gamma_{1\text{PI}}[\phi] = \gamma[\phi, \bar{G}]$.

O(N) model: choosing the basis $\vec{\phi} = (\phi, 0, \dots, 0)$ the propagator has the representation $G = \text{diag}(G_L, G_T, \dots, G_T)$.

Equations

The 2PI effective potential, with $\hat{N} \equiv N - 1$ and $\lambda_{0,2}^{(\alpha A + \beta B)} \equiv \alpha \lambda_{0,2}^{(A)} + \beta \lambda_{0,2}^{(B)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma[\phi, G_L, G_T] = & \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \int_Q^T \left[\log(G^{-1}(Q)) + G_0^{-1}(Q) \cdot G(Q) \right] + \frac{1}{2} m_2^2 \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda_4 \phi^4}{24N} \\ & + \frac{\lambda_2^{(A+2B)}}{12N} \text{Diagram 1} + \frac{\lambda_2^{(\hat{N}A)}}{12N} \text{Diagram 2} + \frac{\lambda_0^{(A+2B)}}{24N} \text{Diagram 3} + \frac{\lambda_0^{(\hat{N}A)}}{12N} \text{Diagram 4} \\ & + \frac{\lambda_0^{(\hat{N}^2 A + 2\hat{N}B)}}{24N} \text{Diagram 5} - \frac{\lambda_*^2}{36N^2} \left[3 \text{Diagram 6} + \hat{N} \text{Diagram 7} \right] \\ & - \frac{\lambda_*^2}{144N^2} \left[3 \text{Diagram 8} + (N^2 - 1) \text{Diagram 9} + 2\hat{N} \text{Diagram 10} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

The field and gap equations are derived then as

$$0 = \frac{\delta \gamma[\phi, G_L, G_T]}{\delta \phi} \Big|_{\bar{\phi}, \bar{G}_L, \bar{G}_T} = \frac{\delta \gamma[\phi, G_L, G_T]}{\delta G_L} \Big|_{\phi, \bar{G}_L, \bar{G}_T} = \frac{\delta \gamma[\phi, G_L, G_T]}{\delta G_T} \Big|_{\phi, \bar{G}_L, \bar{G}_T}.$$

And the curvature masses are defined as

$$\hat{M}_L^2 = 4\bar{\phi}^2 \gamma''(\bar{\phi}^2) + 2\gamma'(\bar{\phi}^2) = 4\bar{\phi}^2 \frac{df(\phi)}{d\phi} \Big|_{\bar{\phi}} + 2f(\bar{\phi}), \quad \hat{M}_T^2 = 2\gamma'(\bar{\phi}^2) = 2f(\bar{\phi}),$$

with $\gamma(\phi^2) := \gamma[\phi, \bar{G}_L, \bar{G}_T]$ and $f(\phi) := \frac{1}{\phi} \frac{\delta \gamma[\phi, G_L, G_T]}{\delta \phi} \Big|_{\bar{\phi}, \bar{G}_L, \bar{G}_T}$

Renormalization

Renormalization is similar to that of [Markó et al., PRD 87 105001 \(2013\)](#). See also [Berges et al., Annals Phys. 320 344 \(2005\)](#).

- **Prescriptions on 2- and 4-point functions**, at $T = T_*$ and $\bar{\phi} = 0$.
- Truncation artefact: ambiguous n-point functions require more counterterms.
- 3 renormalization + 6 consistency conditions (few of them are trivial) **fix 9 counterterms**.
- Only **2 renormalized parameters**: m_*^2 , λ_* and a renormalization scale T_* .
- Counterterms are **temperature independent**, that is they are the same at any T .
- Compared to the 2-Loop case, there is a need for wave-function renormalization.
- Triviality of the theory is seen through the appearance of the Landau pole, Λ_p . For $\Lambda > \Lambda_p$ the theory becomes unstable.

Numerics

We solve the coupled field and gap equations iteratively in Euclidean space.

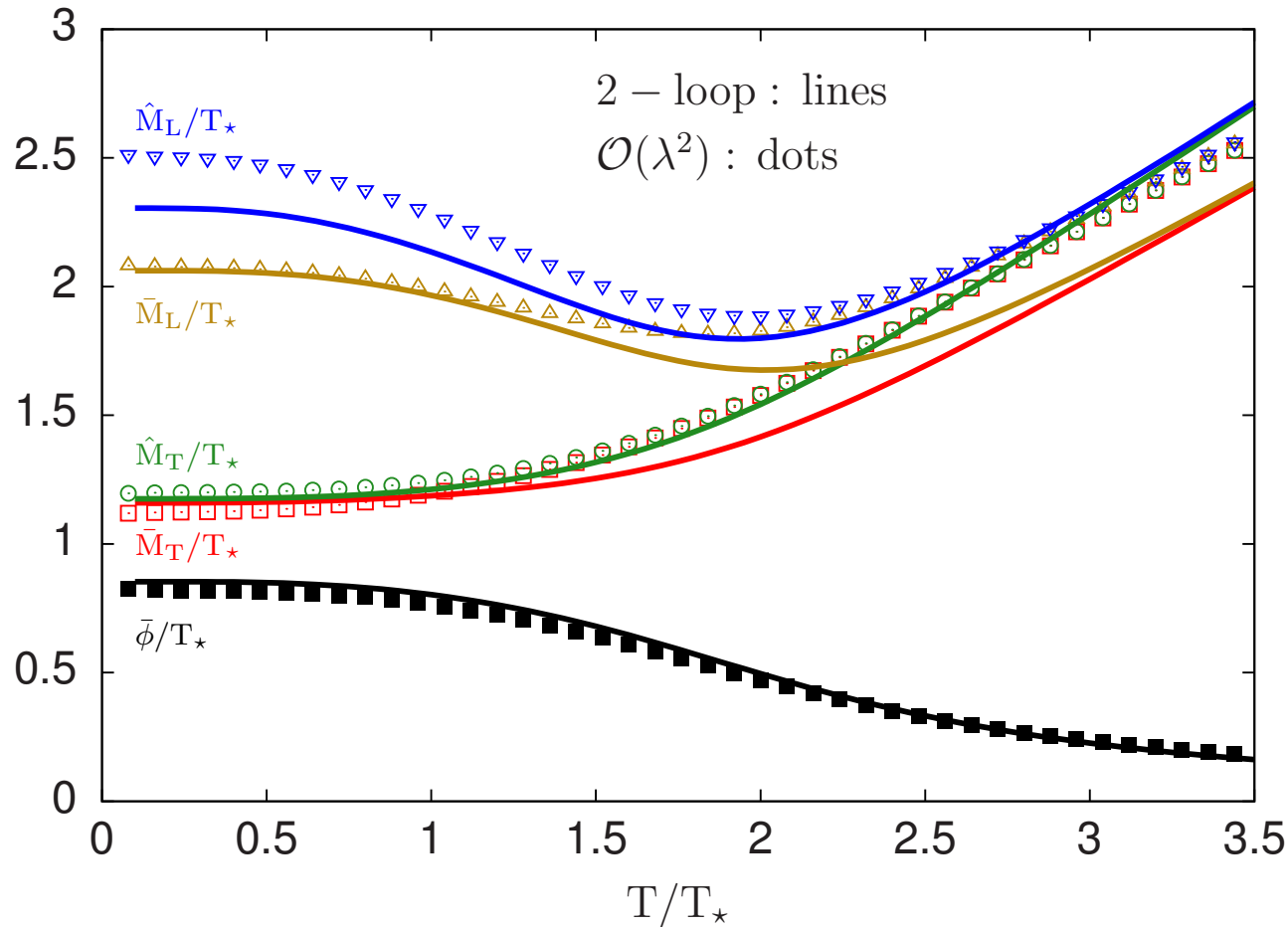
We discretize the propagators on a $N_\tau \times N_s$ grid:

$$\omega_n = 2\pi nT, \quad n \in [0..N_\tau - 1], \quad \text{and} \quad k = (s + 1)\frac{\Lambda}{N_s}, \quad s \in [0..N_s - 1].$$

- Rotation invariance \Rightarrow only 1D in momentum space.
- Convolutions are done using FFT routines.
- Moderate cutoff values are used as both Λ/N_s and Λ^3/N_τ has to be small.
- Numerical method was developed in [Markó et al., PRD 86 085031 \(2012\)](#).

Light mesons in the $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$ truncation ($\mathbf{N} = 4$)

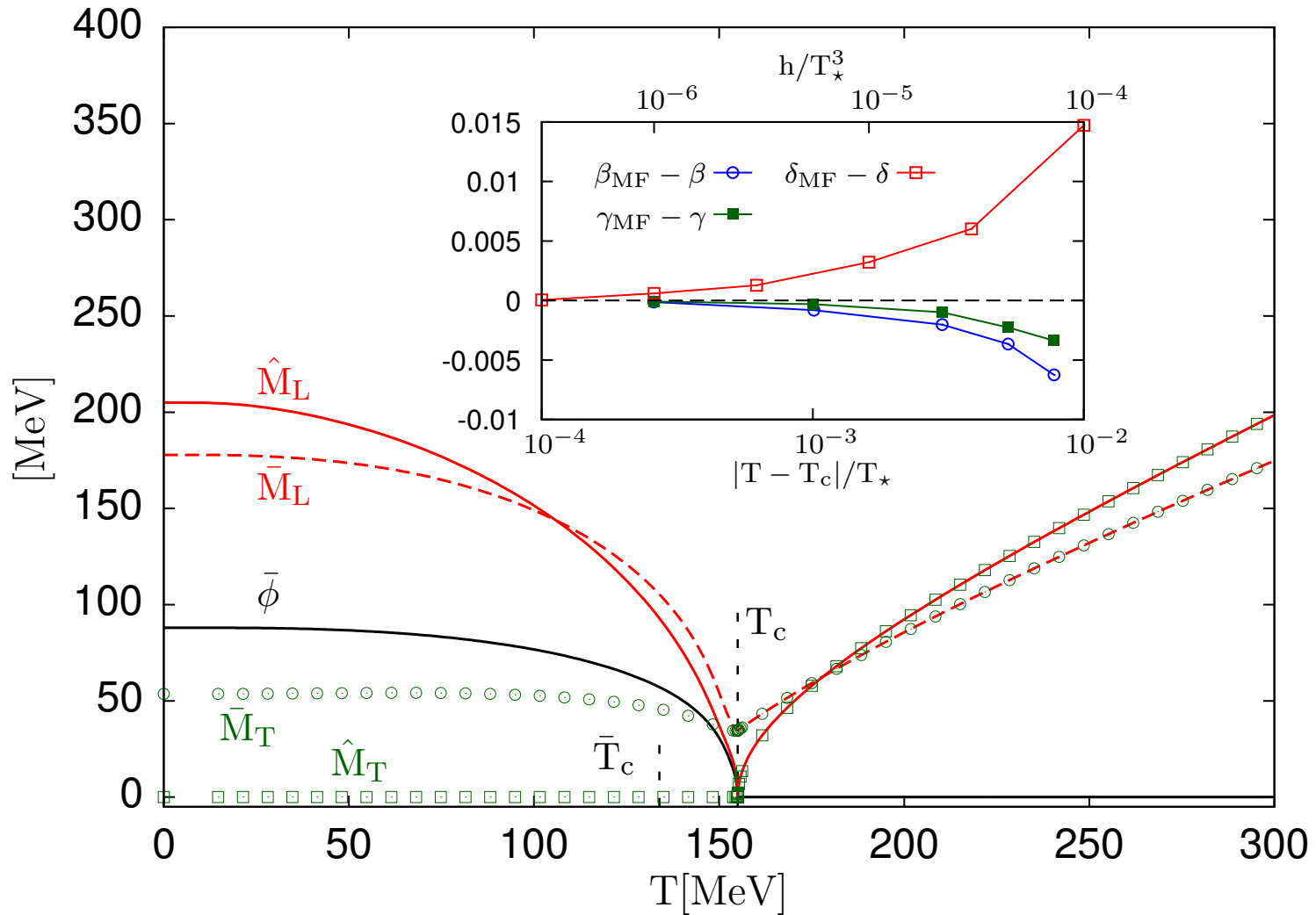
Physical parametrization requires relatively large external source (h) values, to accomodate for $\hat{M}_T \approx m_\pi$.



- High temperature: $\hat{M} \approx \bar{M}$ **only** in the $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$ truncation.
- Low temperature: Only \hat{M}_L differs strongly and $\bar{M}_T/\hat{M}_T \lesssim 1$.

The IR problem

Chiral limit ($h \rightarrow 0$)? Expectations set by looking back at the 2-Loop results.



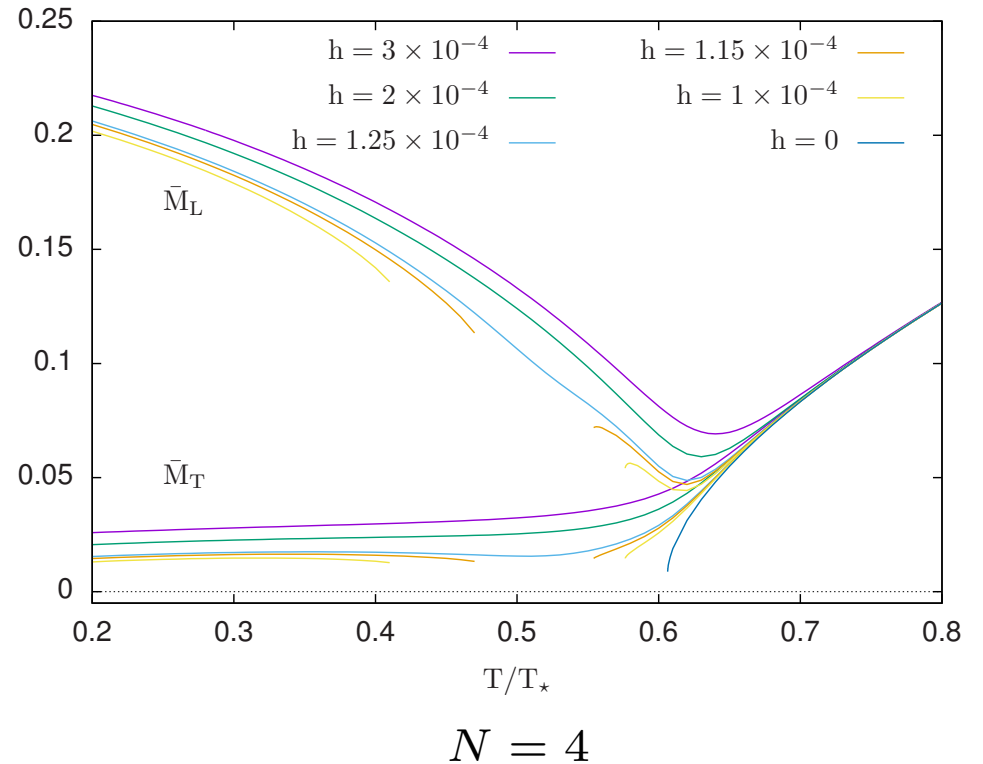
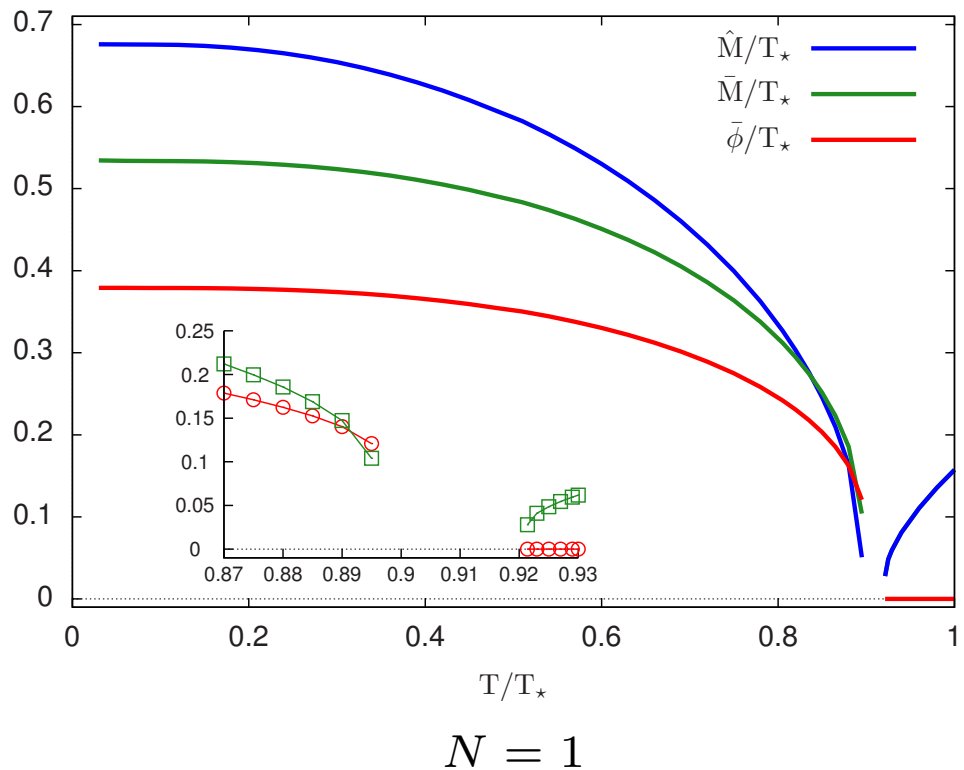
- 2nd order PT.

- Mean field exponents.

- Goldstone theorem is only fulfilled by \hat{M}_T .

The IR problem

Chiral limit ($h = 0$) in the $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$ truncation:



- Low h : temperature range, with **NO** solution.

- Chiral limit: T_c is missing, the gap engulfs it.

Flashback: 2-Loop $O(2)$ at finite μ

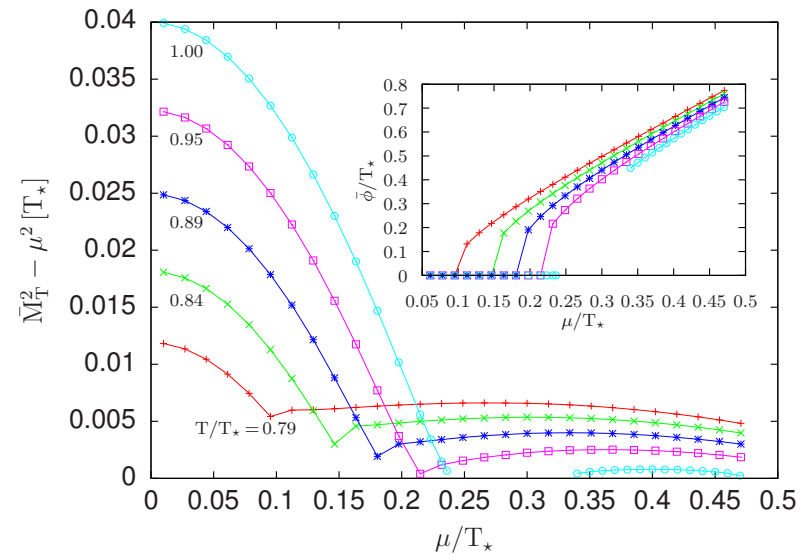
Loss of solution

We define $\bar{\mu}_c(T)$ as

$$\bar{M}_{\phi=0, T, \mu=\bar{\mu}_c(T)}^2 = \bar{\mu}_c^2,$$

which is the inverse of $\bar{T}_c(\mu)$.

- $\mu > \bar{\mu}_c(T) \rightarrow$ no solution for gap eq at $\phi = 0$.
- $\phi_c(\mu, T)$: the smallest ϕ for which a solution of the gap equations exists.
- Solution of the coupled gap and field equations is lost when: $\bar{\phi}(\mu, T) < \phi_c(\mu, T)$.



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- Idea previously used in e.g. [M. Bordag and V. Skalozub, J. Phys. A 34, 461 \(2001\)](#) and [U. Reinosa and Zs. Szép, Phys. Rev. D 85, 045034 \(2012\)](#).
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1. Take the coupled set of the (finite) field and gap equations.
 2. Compute the diagrams with the ansatz $\bar{G}_{L,T}^{-1}(Q) = Q^2 + \bar{M}_{L,T}^2$, that is tree-level type propagators.
 3. Leads to more analytical control (e.g. through HTE) and/or faster numerics.

How do we define the **finite** localized equations? The original counterterms do not renormalize the local equations.

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The resulting localized equations:

$$\bar{M}_L^2 = m_\star^2 + \frac{\lambda_\star}{2N} \left(\phi^2 + \mathcal{T}_F[\bar{G}_L] \right) + \hat{N} \frac{\lambda_\star}{6N} \mathcal{T}_F[\bar{G}_T] - \frac{\lambda_\star^2 \phi^2}{18N^2} \left(9\mathcal{B}_F[\bar{G}_L] + \hat{N}\mathcal{B}_F[\bar{G}_T] \right) - \frac{\lambda_\star^2}{18N^2} \left(3\mathcal{S}_F[\bar{G}_L] + \hat{N}\mathcal{S}_F[\bar{G}_L; \bar{G}_T; \bar{G}_T] \right),$$

$$\bar{M}_T^2 = m_\star^2 + \frac{\lambda_\star}{6N} \left(\phi^2 + \mathcal{T}_F[\bar{G}_L] \right) + (N+1) \frac{\lambda_\star}{6N} \mathcal{T}_F[\bar{G}_T] - \frac{\lambda_\star^2 \phi^2}{9N^2} \mathcal{B}_F[\bar{G}_L; \bar{G}_T] - \frac{\lambda_\star^2}{18N^2} \left(\mathcal{S}_F[\bar{G}_T; \bar{G}_L; \bar{G}_L] + (N+1)\mathcal{S}_F[\bar{G}_T] \right),$$

$$\frac{\hbar}{\bar{\phi}} = m_\star^2 + \frac{\lambda_\star}{6N} \bar{\phi}^2 + \frac{\lambda_\star}{2N} \mathcal{T}_F[\bar{G}_L] + \hat{N} \frac{\lambda_\star}{6N} \mathcal{T}_F[\bar{G}_T] - \frac{\lambda_\star^2}{18N^2} \left(3\mathcal{S}_F[\bar{G}_L] + \hat{N}\mathcal{S}_F[\bar{G}_L; \bar{G}_T; \bar{G}_T] \right).$$

Localized 2PI

To remain close to our original renormalization prescription, we do subtractions at T_\star :

$$\mathcal{T}_F[\bar{G}] \equiv \mathcal{T}[\bar{G}] - \mathcal{T}_\star[G_\star] - (\bar{M}^2 - m_\star^2) \frac{d\mathcal{T}_\star[G_\star]}{dm_\star^2},$$

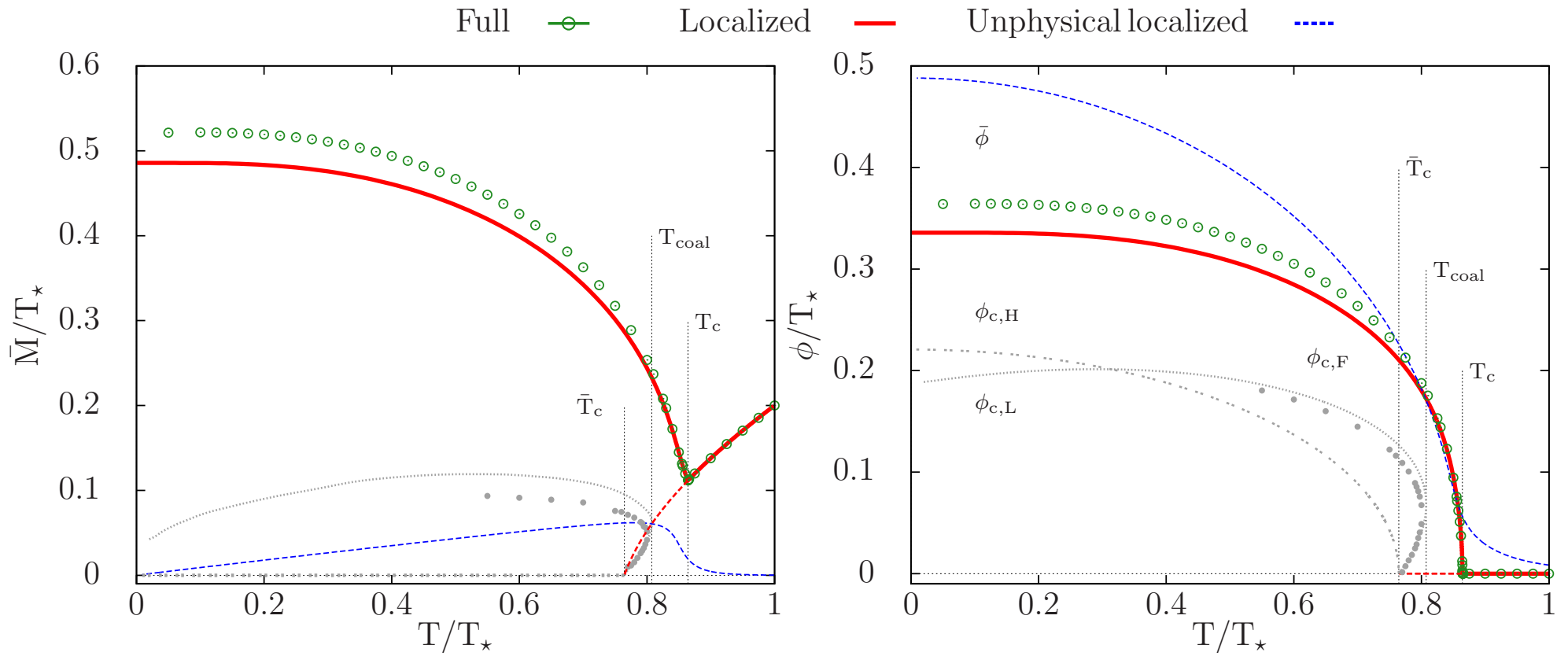
$$\mathcal{B}_F[\bar{G}] \equiv \mathcal{B}[\bar{G}] - \mathcal{B}_\star[G_\star],$$

$$\mathcal{B}_F[\bar{G}_L; \bar{G}_T] \equiv \mathcal{B}[\bar{G}_L; \bar{G}_T] - \mathcal{B}_\star[G_\star],$$

$$\mathcal{S}_F[\bar{G}] \equiv \mathcal{S}[\bar{G}] - \mathcal{S}_\star[G_\star] - (\bar{M}^2 - m_\star^2) \frac{d\mathcal{S}_\star[G_\star]}{dm_\star^2} - 3\mathcal{T}_F[\bar{G}]\mathcal{B}_\star[G_\star],$$

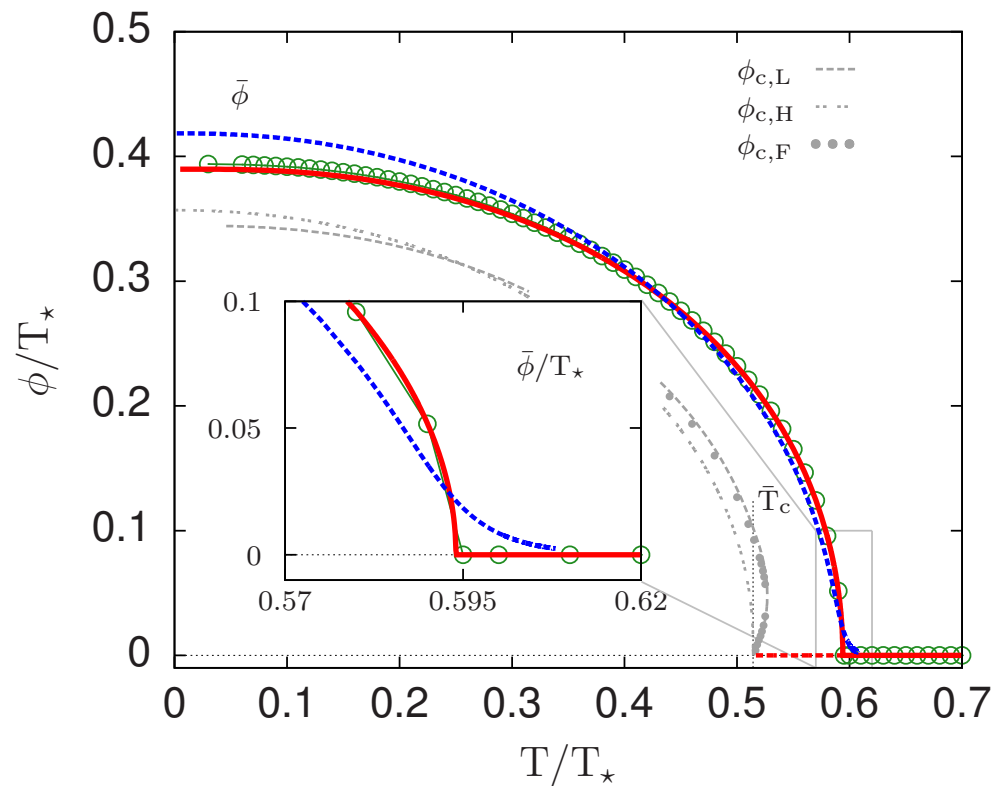
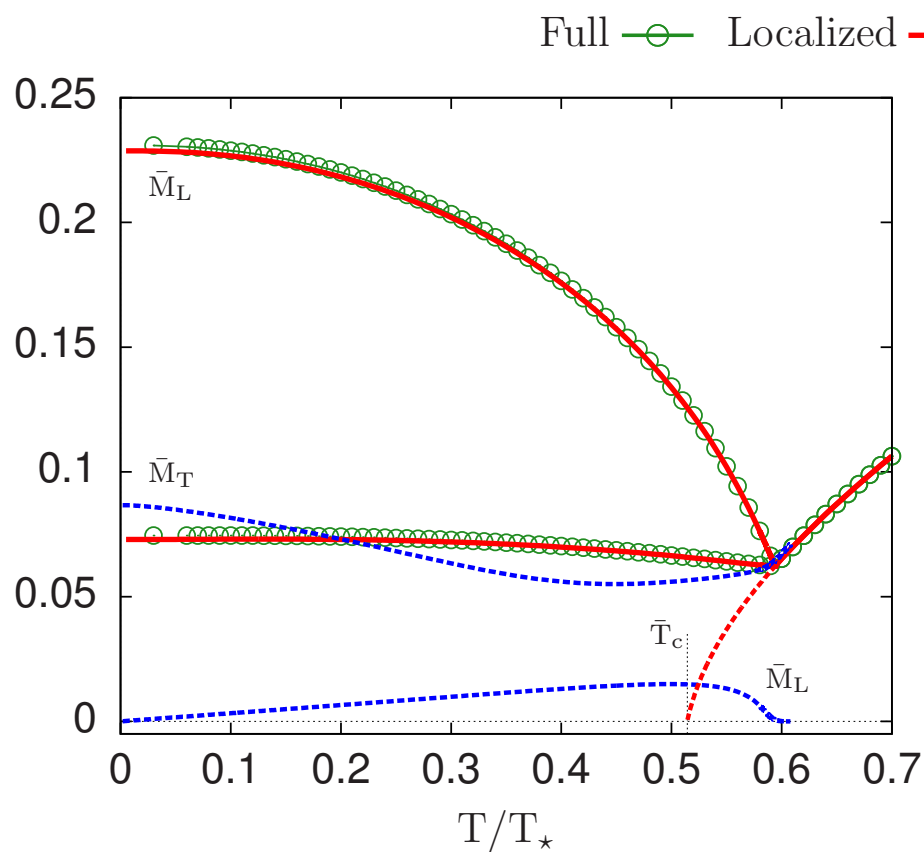
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_F[\bar{G}_L; \bar{G}_T; \bar{G}_T] &\equiv \mathcal{S}[\bar{G}_L; \bar{G}_T; \bar{G}_T] - \mathcal{S}_\star[G_\star] - (2\mathcal{T}[\bar{G}_T] + \mathcal{T}[\bar{G}_L])\mathcal{B}_\star[G_\star] \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{3} [2(\bar{M}_T^2 - m_\star^2) + \bar{M}_L^2 - m_\star^2] \frac{d\mathcal{S}_\star[G_\star]}{dm_\star^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Check, using the 2-Loop results, $\mathbb{N} = 1$:

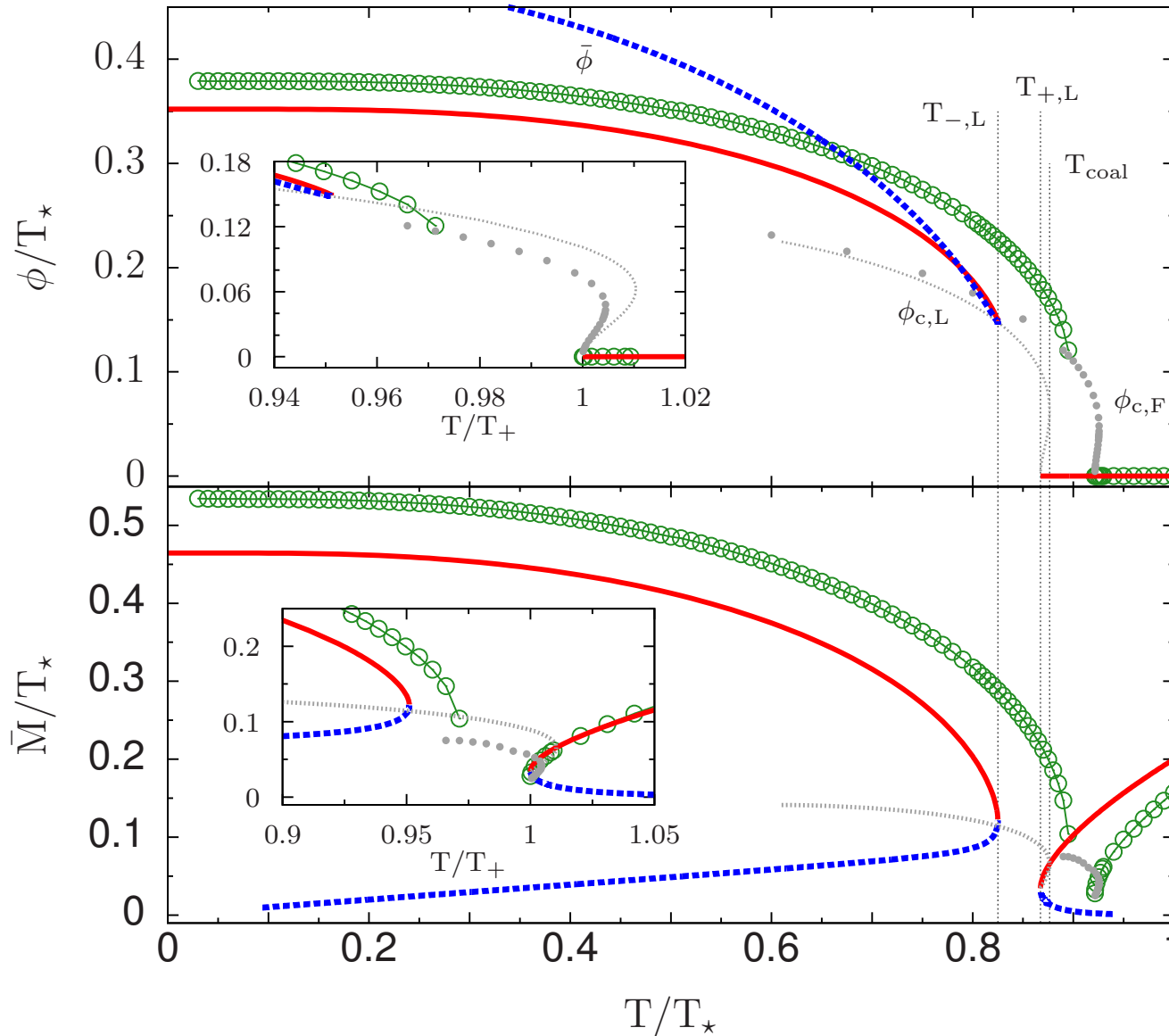


- Localized solution agrees quite well with the full one.
- ϕ_c curves delimit regions where the gap equation has no solution.
- Localized equations have an unphysical solution \rightarrow we cannot rule it out in the full, iterative method is not decisive.

Check, using the 2-Loop results, $N = 4$:

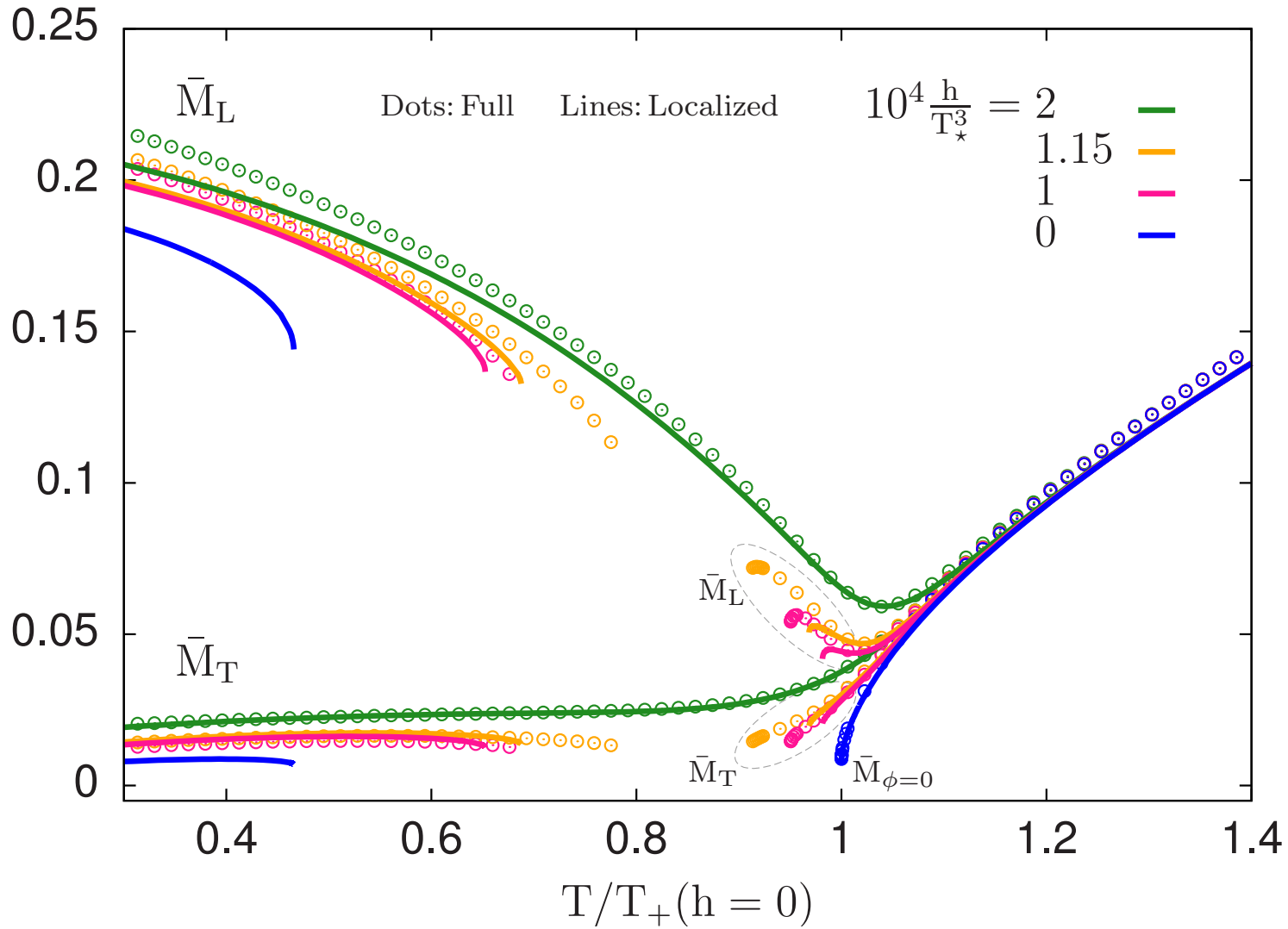


Comparison in $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$, $\mathbf{N} = 1$



- ϕ_c curve meets corresponding $\bar{\phi}$ curve.
- Unphysical and physical solutions merge.
- Would-be T_c is in the temperature gap.
- $T_{-/+}$ are defined as the lower/higher end-points of the gap.

Comparison in $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$, $\mathbf{N} = 4$



- As h is lowered the temperature gap appears at the smallest \bar{M}_T values.
- Localized unphysical solutions are found, but not plotted here.

What can we say analytically?

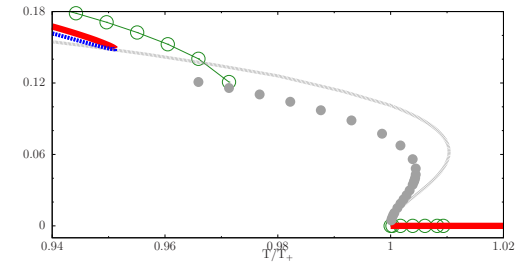
Using HTE sheds some light on what is happening ($N = 1$ case, to keep things simple):

- Assuming there is a T_c : $\bar{M}(T_c) = \bar{\phi}(T_c) = 0$, and the following equation is satisfied

$$0 = m_\star^2 + \frac{\lambda_\star}{2} \mathcal{T}_F^{T_c}[\bar{G}_c] - \frac{\lambda_\star}{6} \mathcal{S}_F^{T_c}[\bar{G}_c], \quad \mathcal{S}[\bar{G}] \sim -T^2 \log \frac{\bar{M}^2}{T^2}$$

However $\mathcal{S}_F^{T_c}[\bar{G}_c]$ is IR divergent \Rightarrow the equation is meaningless.

- The whole equation decreases as $M \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ at some temperature the $\phi = 0$ solution will be lost: T_+ .



- Approaching from the broken phase one has (combining the gap and field equations)

$$\bar{\phi}^2 = -\frac{6\bar{M}^2}{3\lambda_\star^2 \mathcal{B}_F[\bar{G}] - 2\lambda_\star}, \quad \mathcal{B}[\bar{G}] \sim \frac{T}{\bar{M}}$$

which turns negative at some point signaling, that the broken phase solution must cease to exist at some temperature: T_- .

What more can we say numerically?

Conclusions

From full 2PI

- The gap equation(s) at fixed $T < T_{\text{coal}}$ has no solution for a range of ϕ .
- $T_{-/+}$ are limiting temperature values above/below which $\bar{\phi}$ enters the restricted ϕ -region.
- The 2-Loop also had the restricted ϕ -region, $\bar{\phi}$ never entered it though.
- Whether $\bar{\phi}$ is engulfed can be controlled by many parameters: T, h, μ, \dots

From localization

- The shape of the curves suggest similar behaviour.
- We could not find unphysical solutions in the full 2PI.
- But we could not find them **iteratively** in the localized approx. either.

What we learned

- × Both approximations miss an anomalous dimension.
- × Therefore IR divergences are not tamed.
- × Could be corrected by higher orders (similarly as in the 2-Loop).
- × Vertex resummation needed, e.g. NLO $1/N$.