

The A^2 Asymmetry and Gluon Propagators in Lattice SU(3) Gluodynamics at $T \simeq T_c$

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Our goal: to find critical behavior of the gluon propagators.

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$N_s^3 \times N_t$ lattice with pure glue Wilson action.

$SU(2)$: $N_t = 8, N_s = 32, 48, 72$, scale setting [Karsch et al. 1992]:

$$\ln(a\sqrt{\sigma}) = -\frac{3\pi^2}{11}\beta + \frac{51}{121} \ln \beta + 0.296 + \frac{4.25}{\beta},$$

$\beta_c = 2.5104, \sqrt{\sigma} = 0.44 \text{ GeV}, T_c = 297 \text{ MeV}.$

$SU(3)$: $N_t = 8, N_s = 24$, scale setting [Sommer, Necco 2004]:

$$\ln \frac{a}{r_0} = -1.6804 - 1.7331(\beta - 6) + 0.7849(\beta - 6)^2 - 0.4428(\beta - 6)^3,$$

the Sommer parameter $r_0 = 0.5 \text{ fm}, \sqrt{\sigma} = 0.47 \text{ GeV}.$

$$\beta_c = 6.06 \text{ and } \frac{T_c}{\sqrt{\sigma}} = 0.63 \quad \implies \quad T_c = 294 \text{ MeV}$$

- $SU(2)$ $a_c = 0.084$ fm, $L = 2.6 \div 6.0$ fm

β	2.508	2.512	2.515	2.518
τ	-0.008	0.005	0.015	0.025

- $SU(3)$ $a_c = 0.083$ fm, $L = 2.0$ fm

β	6.000	6.044	6.075	6.122
τ	-0.096	-0.026	0.025	0.104

We use variable $\tau = \frac{T - T_c}{T_c}$

Gauge fixing

Gauge transformations:

$$U_{x\mu} \xrightarrow{g} U_{x\mu}^g = g_x^\dagger U_{x\mu} g_{x+\mu}, \quad g_x \in SU(N_c).$$

Vector potentials:

$$\mathbf{A}_{x\mu} = \frac{1}{2i} \left(U_{x\mu} - U_{x\mu}^\dagger \right)_{\text{traceless}} \equiv A_{x,\mu}^a T^a, \quad (1)$$

The lattice Landau gauge condition

$$(\partial \mathbf{A})_x = \sum_{\mu=1}^4 (\mathbf{A}_{x\mu} - \mathbf{A}_{x-\hat{\mu};\mu}) = 0 \quad (2)$$

represents a stationarity condition for the gauge-fixing functional

$$F_U(g) = \frac{1}{4V} \sum_{x\mu} \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Re Tr } U_{x\mu}^g, \quad (3)$$

with respect to gauge transformations g_x .

Definition of the longitudinal (L) and transverse (T) propagators:

$$D_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(p) = \delta_{ab} \left(P_{\mu\nu}^T(p) D_T(p) + P_{\mu\nu}^L(p) D_L(p) \right),$$

where $P_{\mu\nu}^{T;L}(p)$ - orthogonal transverse (longitudinal) projectors are defined at $p = (\vec{p} \neq 0; p_4 = 0)$ as follows

$$P_{ij}^T(p) = \left(\delta_{ij} - \frac{p_i p_j}{\vec{p}^2} \right), \quad P_{\mu 4}^T(p) = 0; \quad (4)$$

$$P_{44}^L(p) = 1; \quad P_{\mu i}^L(p) = 0. \quad (5)$$

Two scalar propagators - longitudinal $D_L(p)$ and transverse $D_T(p)$ - are given by

$$D_L(p) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{a=1}^{N_c^2-1} \langle A_0^a(p) A_0^a(-p) \rangle$$

$$D_T(p) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2(N_c^2-1)} \sum_{a=1}^{N_c^2-1} \sum_{i=1}^3 \langle A_i^a(p) A_i^a(-p) \rangle & p \neq 0 \\ \frac{1}{3(N_c^2-1)} \sum_{a=1}^{N_c^2-1} \sum_{i=1}^3 \langle A_i^a(p) A_i^a(-p) \rangle & p = 0 \end{cases}$$

The Chromo-Electric-Magnetic Asymmetry

$$\begin{aligned}\langle A_E^2 \rangle &= g^2 \langle A_4^a(x) A_4^a(x) \rangle, \\ \langle A_M^2 \rangle &= g^2 \langle A_i^a(x) A_i^a(x) \rangle.\end{aligned}\tag{6}$$

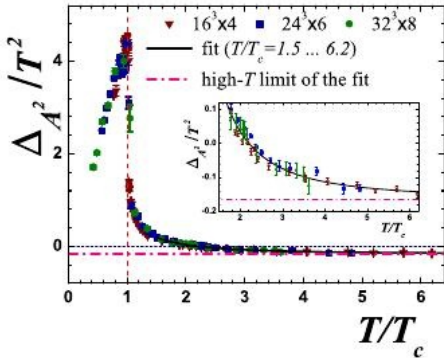
The quantity of particular interest is the chromoelectric-chromomagnetic asymmetry

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{\langle A_E^2 \rangle - \frac{1}{3} \langle A_M^2 \rangle}{T^2}.\tag{7}$$

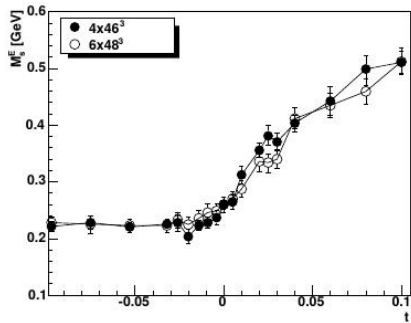
which can be expressed in terms of the propagators,

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{2N_c N_t (N_c^2 - 1)}{\beta a^2 N_s^3} \left[D_L(0) - D_T(0) + \sum_{p \neq 0} \left(\frac{3|\vec{p}|^2 - p_4^2}{3p^2} D_L(p) - \frac{2}{3} D_T(p) \right) \right]$$

We work in the Landau gauge $\partial_\mu A_\mu^a = 0$



Chernodub,
 Ilgenfritz
 2008



Maas, Pawlowski
 von Smekal, Spielmann
 2011

In 2018 we argued that from

- correlation between the asymmetry and the Polyakov loop
- regression analysis
- univerasality hypothesis

it follows coincidence of the critical exponents of magnetization in the 3D Ising model and of \mathcal{A} and $D_L(0)$ in SU(2) gauge theory

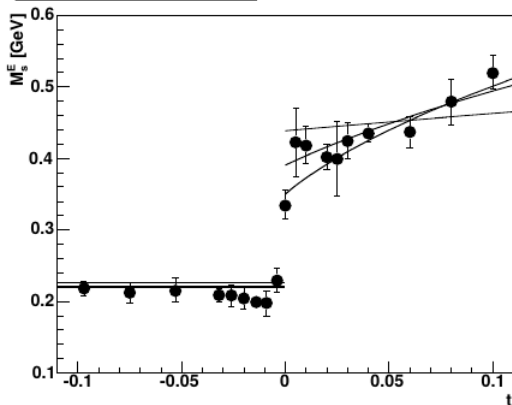
$$\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_0 + B_{\mathcal{A}}\tau^{\beta_{\mathcal{A}}} + \bar{o}(\tau^{\beta_{\mathcal{A}}}). \quad (8)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{\mathcal{A}} &= \beta = 0.326419(3), \\ B_{\mathcal{A}} &= A_1 B = -54.02(24) \end{aligned}$$

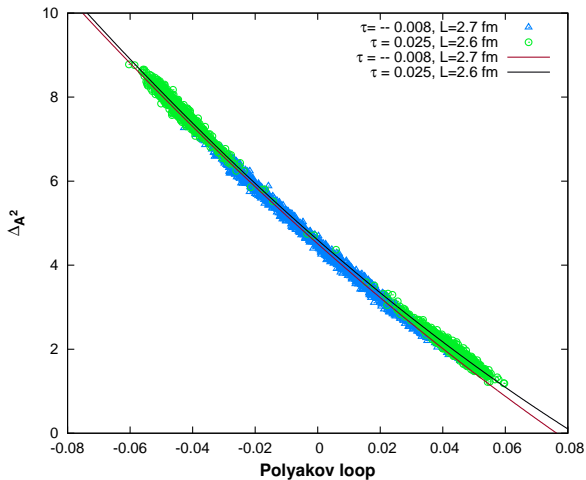
At $\tau < 0$ $\mathcal{A} \approx 0$ is a smooth function

Phase transition vicinity

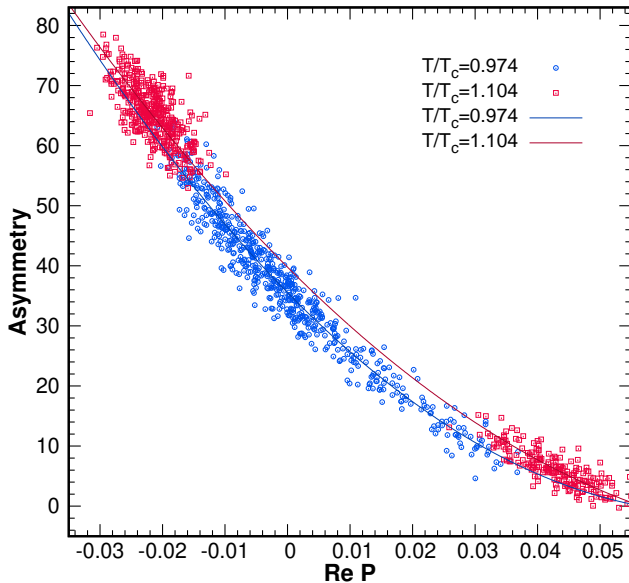


$$m_e = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D_L(0)}}$$

A.Maas et al., 2011

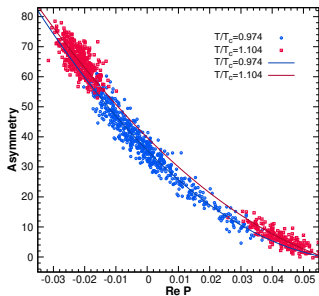


Correlation
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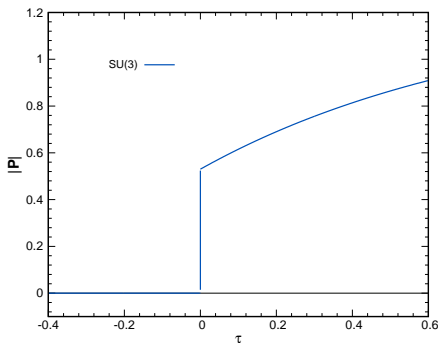
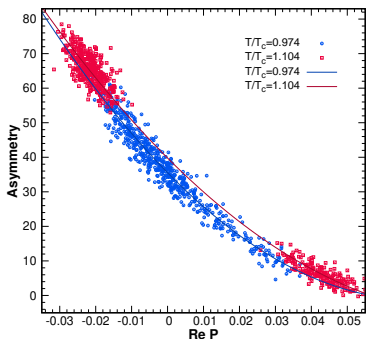
We consider conditional CDF $F(\mathcal{A}|\mathcal{P})$ of the asymmetry at a given value of Polyakov loop and the conditional average

$$E(\mathcal{A}|\mathcal{P}) = \int \frac{dF(\mathcal{A}|\mathcal{P})}{d\mathcal{A}} \mathcal{A} d\mathcal{A} \quad (9)$$

It can be fitted by the formula

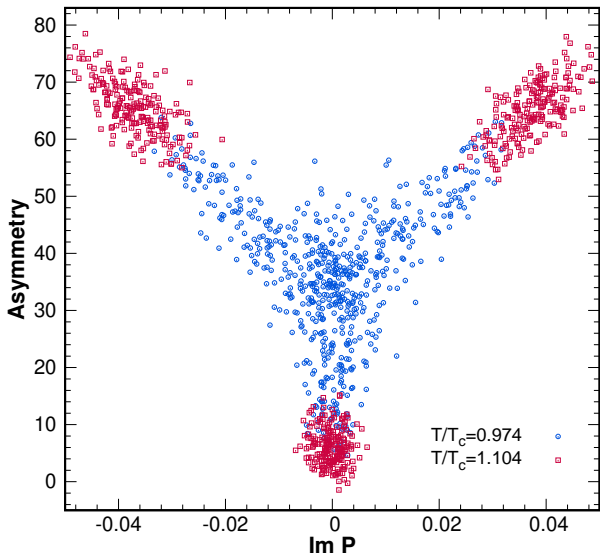
$$E(\mathcal{A}|\mathcal{P}) \simeq \mathcal{A}_0 + \mathcal{A}_1 \text{Re } \mathcal{P} + \mathcal{A}_2 (\text{Re } \mathcal{P})^2 \quad (10)$$

assuming its independence of $\text{Re } \mathcal{P}$



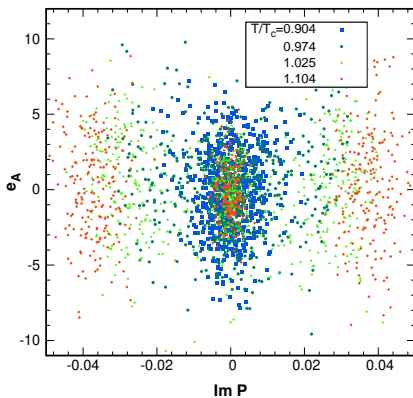
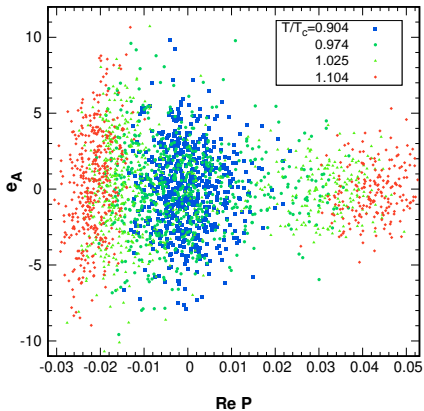
Smooth dependence of \mathcal{A} on \mathcal{P} & jump of $|P|$ at $\{\tau = 0, V \rightarrow \infty\}$

\implies a jump of \mathcal{A} at the transition
when $V \rightarrow \infty$

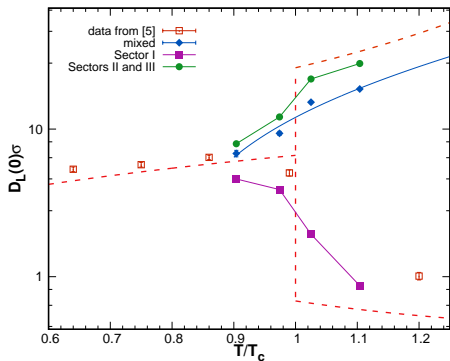


SU(3)

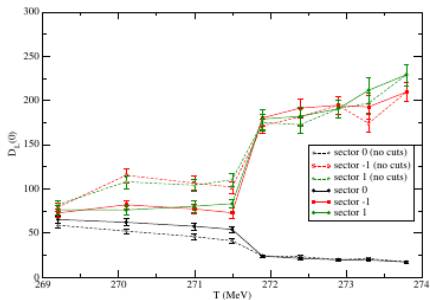
This scatter plot
is readily explained
by correlation
between \mathcal{A} and $\text{Re } \mathcal{P}$
only



Residuals $e_A(n) = \mathcal{A}_n - \mathcal{A}_0 - \mathcal{A}_1 \operatorname{Re} \mathcal{P}_n - \mathcal{A}_2 (\operatorname{Re} \mathcal{P}_n)^2$
 show correlation with neither $\operatorname{Re} \mathcal{P}$ nor $\operatorname{Im} \mathcal{P}$

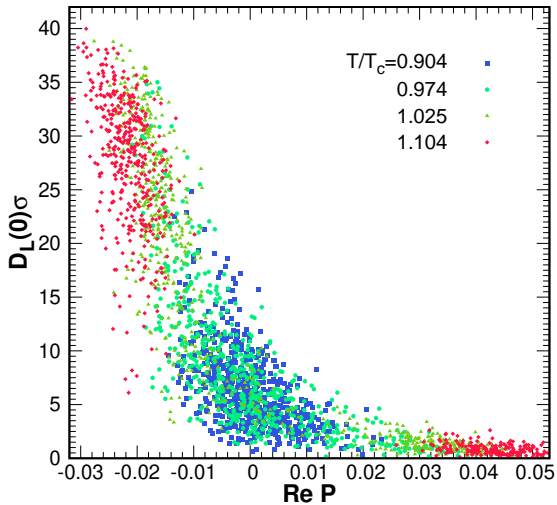


Our results;
dashed line - predicted behavior
at the phase transition



(b) $72^3 \times 8$ lattices.

O.Oliveira, P.Silva 2016



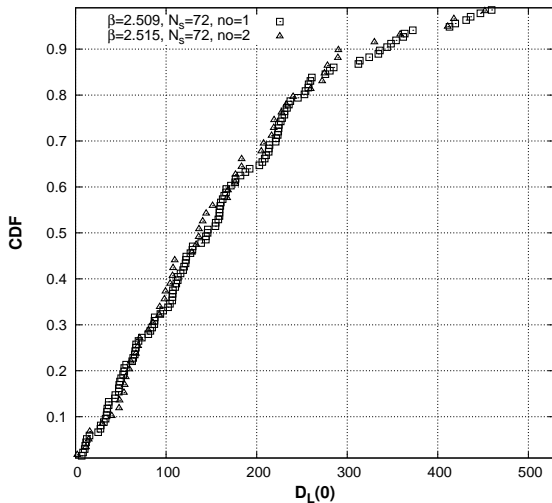
Homoscedasticity

- Independence of the variance of the conditional distribution on the predictor (independence of the variance of $(D_L(0)|\mathcal{P})$ on $\text{Re } \mathcal{P}$).

Homoscedasticity is severely broken

Non-Gaussian behavior in the $SU(3)$ case:

The Kolmogorov-Smirnov test for the $D_L(0)$ distribution at $-0.005 < \text{Re } \mathcal{P} < 0.005$ indicates that
the probability that it is Gaussian is less than 0.002.



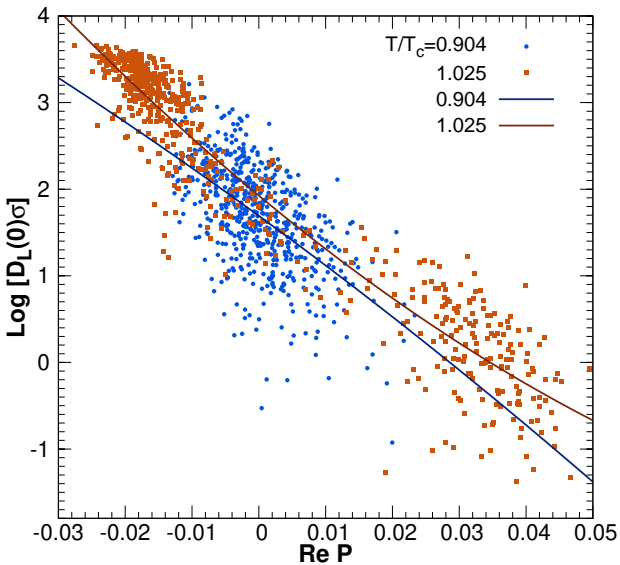
SU(2) theory
non-Gaussian
distribution:

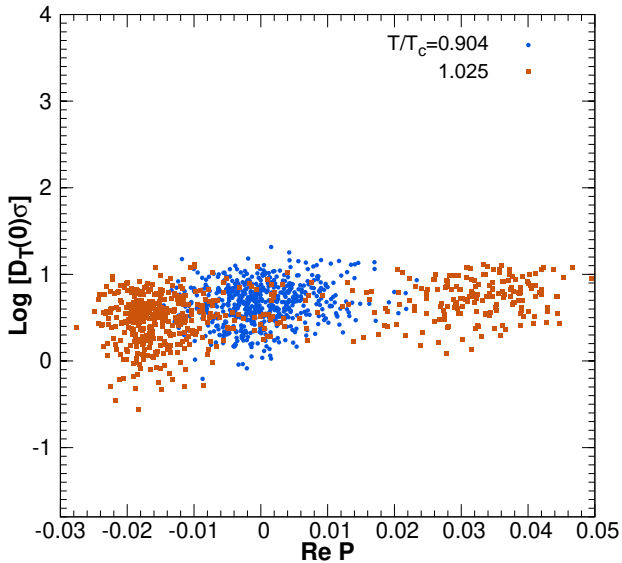
$$-0.030 < \mathcal{P} < -0.025;$$

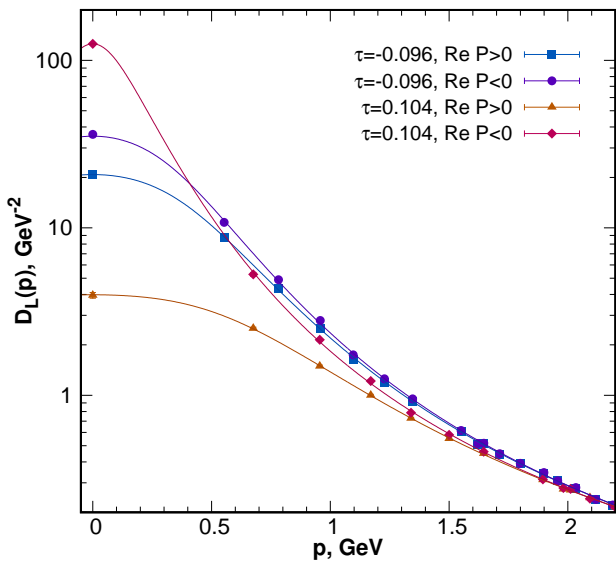
$$L = 6 \text{ fm};$$

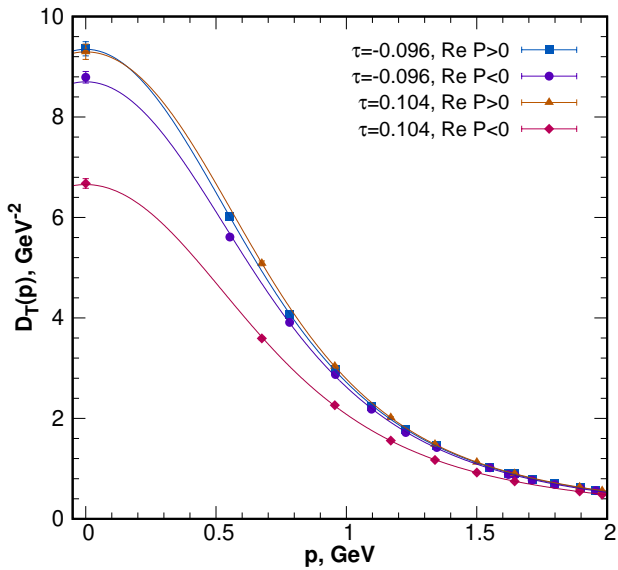
$$1 \rightarrow \tau = -0.0045;$$

$$2 \rightarrow \tau = 0.0148$$









τ	m_E^2	m_E^2	m_M^2	m_M^2
	$\text{Re } \mathcal{P} > 0$	$\text{Re } \mathcal{P} < 0$	$\text{Re } \mathcal{P} > 0$	$\text{Re } \mathcal{P} < 0$
-0.096	0.373(31)	0.214(31)	0.638(34)	0.642(39)
-0.026	0.445(71)	0.136(11)	0.609(24)	0.586(32)
0.025	0.523(56)	0.0498(38)	0.672(37)	0.565(18)
0.104	0.95(20)	0.0272(11)	0.664(43)	0.611(8)

Table: Values of the chromoelectric and chromomagnetic screening masses (in GeV^2) in different Polyakov-loop sectors. No difference between sectors (II) and (III) has been found, they are referred to as “ $\text{Re } \mathcal{P} < 0$ ”.

Conclusions

- Both the asymmetry \mathcal{A} and the zero-momentum longitudinal propagator $D_L(0)$ have a significant correlation with the real part of the Polyakov loop \mathcal{P} .
- We determined critical behavior of \mathcal{A} and $D_L(0)$ in the infinite-volume limit. No discontinuities at a finite volume can take place.
- Chromoelectric interactions relative to chromomagnetic are weakly suppressed and short-range in the sector $\text{Re}\mathcal{P} > 0$ and moderately suppressed and long-range in each sector with $\text{Re}\mathcal{P} < 0$.

To be studied: **Dependence of the conditional variance of $D_L(0)$ and $D_T(0)$ on lattice volume**