

# All order resummed leading and next-to-leading logarithms for soft modes of dense QCD pressure

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# Motivations

- High and mid range of  $\mu_B$  inaccessible by Lattice Simulations (with  $T = 0$ )
- Infrared divergences spoil naive perturbation theory
- Large scale dependence uncertainty in HTLpt calculations
- Renormalization Group properties can address these points

# pQCD State-of-the-art at $T = 0, \mu \neq 0$

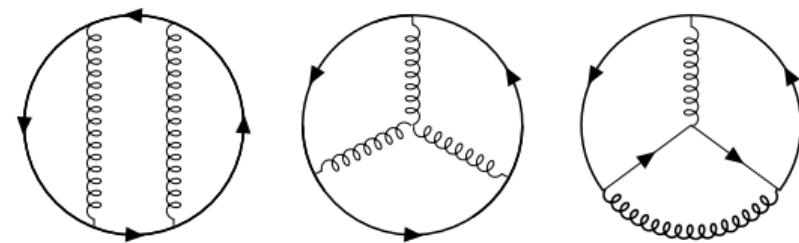
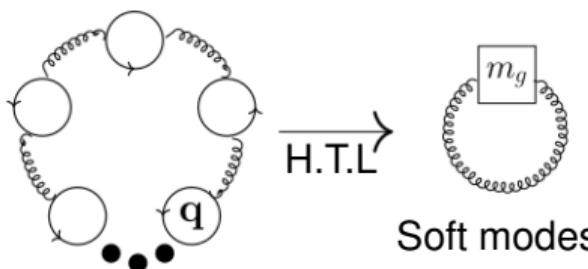
pQCD pressure for  $N_f = 3, T = 0, \mu_B \neq 0$

$$\mathcal{P}^{\text{C.Q.M}} = \mathcal{P}_f \left( 1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \alpha_s - \frac{N_f}{\pi^2} \alpha_s^2 \ln \alpha_s - 0.874355 \alpha_s^2 - 2d_A \alpha_s^2 \frac{(11N_c - 2N_f)}{3(4\pi)^2} \ln \left( \frac{M_h}{\mu} \right) \right)$$

Ring (Soft)

Hard scale:  $\mu$ ,  $M_h \sim$  renormalization scale  
Soft scale:  $m_E \sim \sqrt{\alpha_s} \mu$

Quarks (Hard)

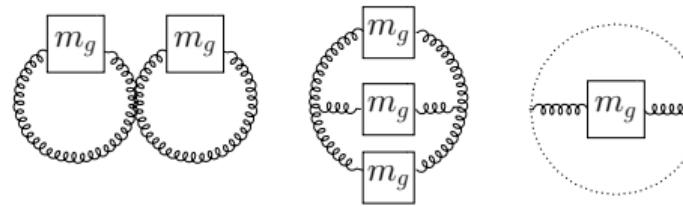


B.A Freedman and L.D. McLerran (1977), A. Vuorinen (2003)

# Hard Thermal Loop

Hard Thermal Loop pressure (pure glue) at LO (equivalently NNLO for  $m_g = m_E$ )

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{LO}}^{\text{HTL}} = \frac{d_A m_g^4}{(8\pi)^2} \left( \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} + C_{11} - \ln\left(\frac{m_g}{M}\right) + \varepsilon \left( \ln\left(\frac{m_g}{M}\right)^2 + C_{21} \ln\left(\frac{m_g}{M}\right) + C_{22} \right) \right)$$



$C_{11}$ : S. Mogliacci et al. 2013

$C_{21}, C_{22}$ : LF, J-L. Kneur (2021)

$$m_E^2 = 2 \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \sum_f \mu_f$$

HTL at NLO (i.e NNNLO)

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{HTL}} = \frac{N_c d_A \alpha_s m_g^4}{(8\pi)^2} \left( \frac{p_{-2}}{4\varepsilon^2} + \frac{p_{-1} - 2p_{-2} \ln\left(\frac{m_g}{M}\right)}{2\varepsilon} + 2p_{-2} \ln\left(\frac{m_g}{M}\right)^2 - 2p_{-1} \ln\left(\frac{m_g}{M}\right) + p_0 \right)$$

# Hard Thermal Loop: Factorization picture

## HTL in factorization picture

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{LO}}^{\text{HTL}} = \frac{d_A m_g^4}{(8\pi)^2} \left( \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} + C_{11} - \ln \left( \frac{m_g}{M_s} \right) \right)$$

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UV divergences, they cancel against  
IR divergences in hard sector

$M_s$ : Factorization scale

UV vs. IR cancellation argument

# Hard Thermal Loop: EFT picture

Organization of a complete EFT calculation (ideally)

$$\mathcal{P}^{\text{Full}} = \mathcal{P}_{\text{HTL}} + (\mathcal{P}^{\text{Full}} - \mathcal{P}_{\text{HTL}}) \Big|_{m_g \ll \mu}$$

- $\mathcal{P}_{\text{QCD}}$  and  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{HTL}}$  have different UV behaviors (counterterms, anomalous dimensions).
- $(\mathcal{P}_{\text{QCD}} - \mathcal{P}_{\text{HTL}}) \Big|_{m_g \ll \mu}$  is part of the *EFT matching* contribution. Their IR divergences cancel against IR divergences of  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{Hard}}^{\text{Ring}}$ .
- We consider here only the *soft* modes.
- $\alpha_s^2$  order is already known exactly, thus we do not need to calculate this extra contribution.
- At  $\alpha_s^3$ , hard contributions unknown but not needed for the LL, NLL: given by EFT RG.

# RG definitions

(Massive) Renormalization group operator

$$M \frac{d}{dM} \equiv M \frac{\partial}{\partial M} + \beta(g^2) \frac{\partial}{\partial g^2} - \gamma_m^g(g^2) m_g \frac{\partial}{\partial m_g}$$

$\gamma_m^g$ : Anomalous mass dimension of the gluon.

$$\gamma_m^g(g^2) = \gamma_0^g g^2 + \gamma_1^g g^4 + \dots$$

$$\gamma_0^g = \frac{11N_c}{3(4\pi)^2} \equiv b_0^g$$

$$\longrightarrow m_g^B \equiv m_g \mathcal{Z}_{m_g} \simeq m_g \left( 1 - g^2 \frac{\gamma_0^g}{2\varepsilon} \right) + \mathcal{O}(g^4)$$

# Hard Thermal Loop: EFT picture

## Renormalization of the EFT

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{LO}}^{\text{HTL}} = \frac{d_A m_g^4}{(8\pi)^2} \left( \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} + C_{11} - \ln \left( \frac{m_g}{M_s} \right) \right)$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{HTL}} = \frac{N_c d_A \alpha_s m_g^4}{(8\pi)^2} \left( \frac{p_{-2}}{4\varepsilon^2} + \frac{p_{-1} - 2p_{-2} \ln \left( \frac{m_g}{M_s} \right)}{2\varepsilon} + \cancel{2}^1 p_{-2} \ln \left( \frac{m_g}{M_s} \right)^2 - 2p_{-1} \ln \left( \frac{m_g}{M_s} \right) + p_0 \right)$$

Renormalized by vacuum energy counterterms

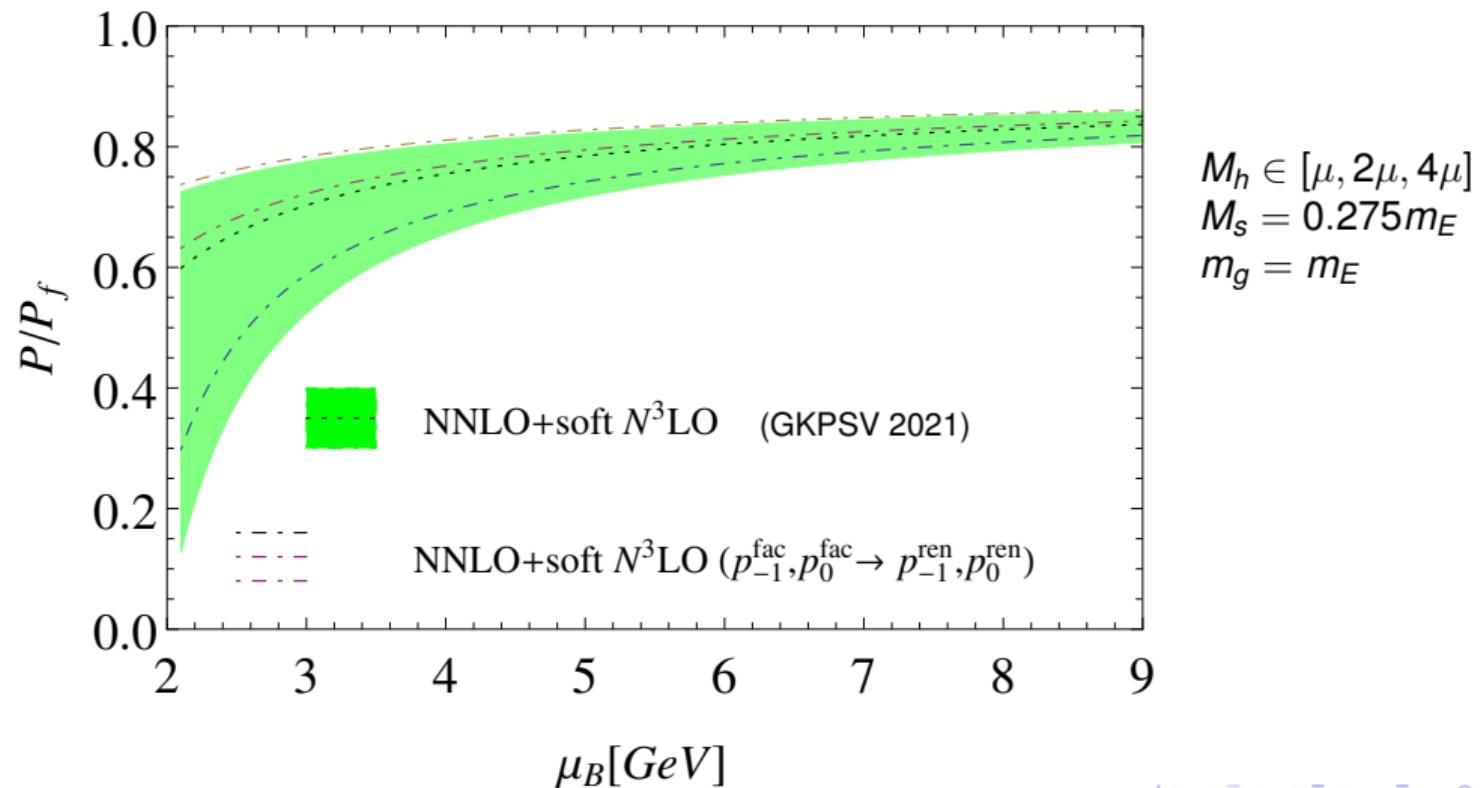
and nonlocal divergences by mass counterterms

Weinberg theorem proves renormalizability at massive NLO (i.e NNNLO)

Automatically

$$p_{-1} \rightarrow p_{-1} - \frac{8\pi \gamma_0^g}{N_c} \left( C_{11} - \frac{1}{4} \right) \simeq p_{-1} - 0.5381 , \quad p_0 \rightarrow p_0 - \frac{8\pi \gamma_0^g}{N_c} \left( C_{22} - \frac{C_{11}}{2} \right) \simeq p_0 - 0.9229$$

# HTL pressure in EFT versus Factorization scheme



# LL and NLL series

## Soft pressure from power counting

$$g^2 = (4\pi)\alpha_s$$

$$\mathcal{P}^{soft} \sim m_g^4 \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} (g^2)^{p-1} \sum_{l=0}^p a_{p,l} \ln^{p-l} \left( \frac{m_g}{M_s} \right)$$

$$L \equiv \ln \left( \frac{m_g}{M_s} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}^{soft} = & a_{1,0} L + g^2 a_{2,0} L^2 + \dots LL \\ & + a_{1,1} + g^2 a_{2,1} L + \dots NLL \\ & + g^2 a_{2,2} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

## Renormalization group property

The first order coefficient at which a series of (sub)leading logarithm appear is sufficient to determine all order coefficients upon requiring  $M \frac{d\mathcal{P}}{dM} = 0$

# LL and NLL series

## LL series

$$-p a_{p,0} = (4\gamma_0^g + 2b_0^g(p-2)) a_{p-1,0}, \quad p \geq 2$$

## NLL series

$$(1-p)a_{p,1} = (4\gamma_0^g + 2b_0^g(p-2)) a_{p-1,1} + (4\gamma_1^g + 2b_1^g(p-3)) a_{p-2,0} + \gamma_0^g(p-1)a_{p-1,0}$$

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*Prediction:*  $a_{2,0} = -2\gamma_0^g a_{1,0}$   
 Reproduce direct (GKPSV) calculation  
**Input for NLL series,**  $a_{2,1} \propto p_{-1}^{ren}$

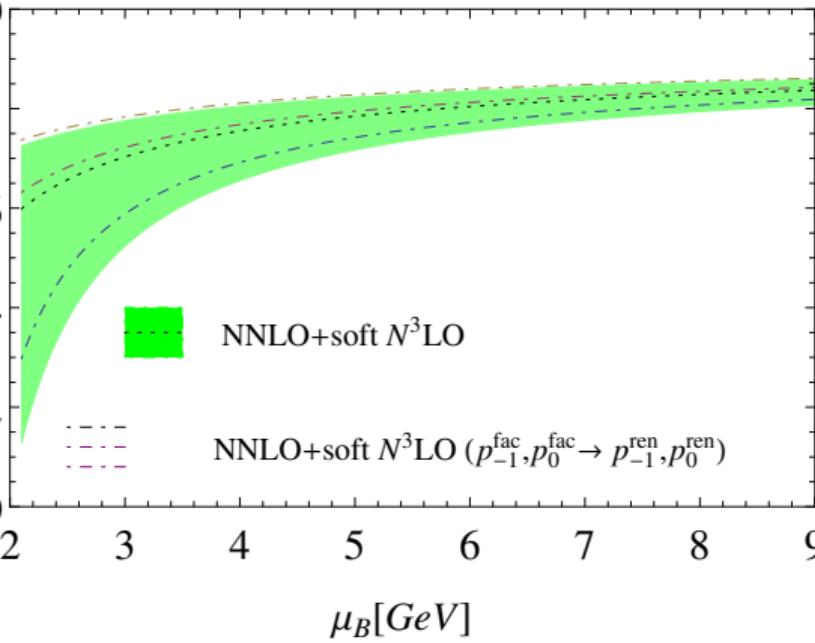
# Resummation formula

## LL series

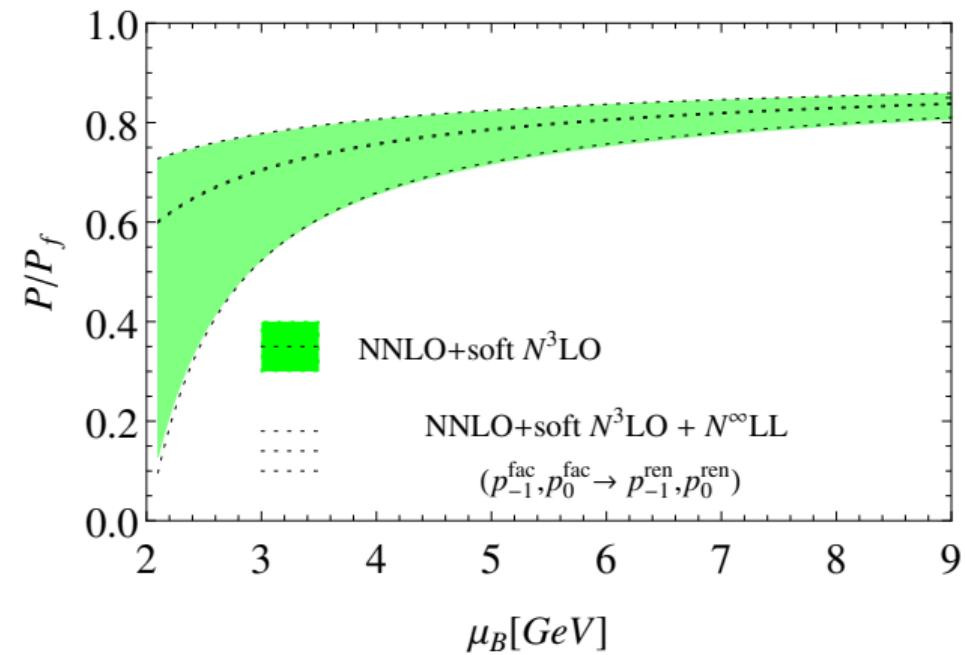
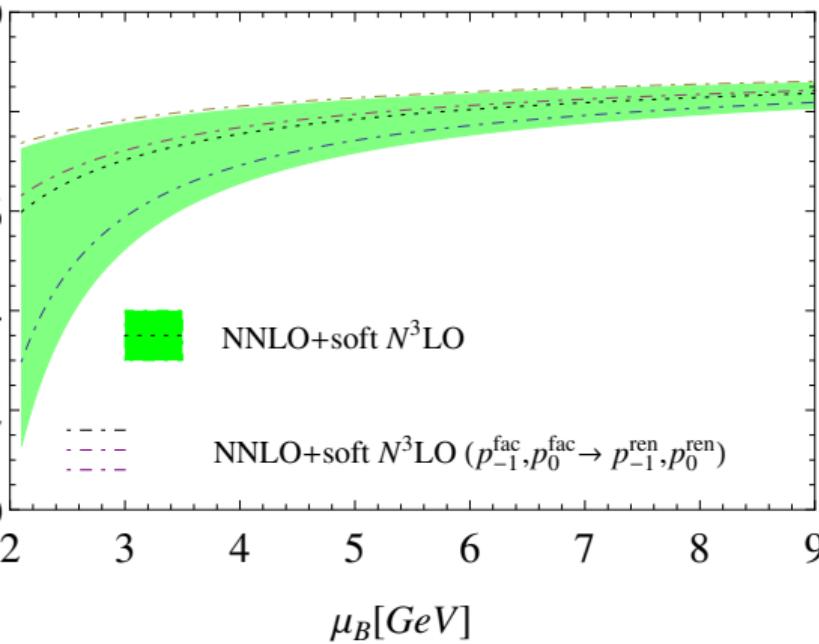
$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{LL}}^{\text{sum}} = \frac{a_{1,0} g^2 \ln\left(\frac{m_g}{M}\right) m_g^4}{g^2} f_1^{1-4\left(\frac{\gamma_0^g}{2b_0^g}\right)} = \frac{a_{1,0} g^2 \ln\left(\frac{m_g}{M}\right) m_g^4}{g^2} f_1^{-1},$$

$$f_1 = 1 + 2b_0^g g^2 \ln \frac{m_g}{M}.$$

# LL resummation



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# Vacuum energy anomalous dimension: $\hat{\Gamma}^g$

## NNLO vacuum energy counterterm

$$\Delta\mathcal{E}_0^{(2)} = \frac{d_A m_g^4}{(8\pi)^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} + N_c \left( \frac{g^2}{4\pi} \right) \left( -\frac{11}{24\pi\varepsilon^2} + \left( \frac{p_{-1}}{2\varepsilon} - \frac{11}{6\pi\varepsilon} (C_{11} - \frac{1}{4}) \right) \right) \right\} \equiv \mathcal{Z}_0^g(g^2) m_g^4$$

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$$-\frac{d\mathcal{P}_{\text{HTL}}}{d \ln M} = \frac{d\mathcal{E}_0}{d \ln M} \equiv \hat{\Gamma}_0^g(g^2) m_g^4 = \frac{d}{d \ln M} \left( m_g^4 \sum_{k \geq 0} s_k^g g^{2k-2} \right) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_0^B \equiv M^{-2\varepsilon} (\mathcal{E}_0(g^2) - m_g^4 \mathcal{Z}_0^g(g^2))$$

## Renormalization group invariant (RGI) pressure

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{RGI}}^{\text{HTL}} \equiv \mathcal{P}^{\text{HTL}} - m_g^4 \sum_{k \geq 0} s_k^g g^{2k-2} = \mathcal{P}^{\text{HTL}} - m_g^4 \frac{s_0^g}{g^2} - m_g^4 s_1^g + \dots$$

# Matching the perturbative QCD pressure

$$\mathcal{P}^{\text{HTL}}(g^2(M), m(M)) = \mathcal{P}^{\text{HTL}}(M_0) + \int_{g^2(M_0)}^{g^2(M)} dx \left\{ \frac{-\hat{\Gamma}_0^g(x)}{\beta(x)} \exp \left[ -4 \int_{g^2(M_0)}^x dy \frac{\gamma_m(y)}{\beta(y)} \right] \right\} m_g^4(M_0)$$

Boundary term

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{RGI,B.C}}^{\text{HTL}} \equiv \mathcal{P}_{\text{RGI}}^{\text{HTL}} + m_g^4(M_0) \left( \frac{s_0^g}{g(M_0)^2} + s_1^g \right)$$

$$s_0^g = -\frac{a_{1,0}}{2(b_0^g - 2\gamma_0^g)} = \frac{-d_A}{2(8\pi)^2 b_0^g},$$

$$s_1^g = a_{1,1} + \frac{a_{2,1}}{4\gamma_0^g} + \frac{a_{1,0}}{4} + \frac{s_0^g}{2\gamma_0^g} (b_1^g - 2\gamma_1^g).$$

To match the perturbative pressure of full QCD,  $M_0$  must be of the order of the hard scale  $\mathcal{O}(\mu)$ . Natural choice:  $M_0 = 2\mu$ .

# Collecting the pieces

## RGI pressure

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{RGI}}^{\text{C.Q.M}} = \mathcal{P}_f \left( 1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \alpha_s - \frac{N_f}{\pi^2} \alpha_s^2 \ln \alpha_s - 0.874355 \alpha_s^2 - 2d_A \alpha_s^2 \frac{(11N_c - 2N_f)}{3(4\pi)^2} \ln \left( \frac{M_h}{\mu} \right) \right) \quad \text{Full } N^2LO$$

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 & + m_E^4 g(M_h)^4 a_{3,0} \ln^3 \left( \frac{m_E}{M_s} \right) + m_E^4 g(M_h)^6 a_{4,0} \ln^4 \left( \frac{m_E}{M_s} \right) + \dots \xleftarrow{\text{LL series}} \\
 & + m_E^4 g(M_h)^4 a_{3,1} \ln^2 \left( \frac{m_E}{M_s} \right) + m_E^4 g(M_h)^6 a_{4,1} \ln^3 \left( \frac{m_E}{M_s} \right) + \dots \xleftarrow{\text{NLL series}}
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 & - s_0^g \left( \frac{m_E^4(M_h)}{g(M_h)^2} - \frac{m_E^4(M_0)}{g^2(M_0)} \right) - s_1^g (m_E^4(M_h) - m_E^4(M_0)) \xleftarrow{\text{RGI restoring terms}}
 \end{aligned}$$

# Compact formula

## RGI pressure

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{\text{RGI}}^{\text{C.Q.M}} = & \mathcal{P}_f \left( 1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \alpha_s - \frac{N_f}{\pi^2} \alpha_s^2 \ln \alpha_s - 0.874355 \alpha_s^2 - 2d_A \alpha_s^2 \frac{(11N_c - 2N_f)}{3(4\pi)^2} \ln \left( \frac{M_h}{\mu} \right) \right) \\ & - \frac{s_0^4 m_g^4}{g^2 f_2^{4A_0-1}} [R(f_2)]^B \left( 1 - \frac{a'_{1,1} g^2}{s_0^g f_2} - \frac{a_{2,2} g^4}{s_0^g f_2^2} \right) - \left( a_{1,1} + a_{1,0} \ln \left( \frac{m_g}{M_s} \right) \right) \\ & + \frac{m_g^4(M_0)}{g^2(M_0)} s_0^g + m_g^4(M_0) s_1^g \end{aligned}$$

$$a'_{1,1} = a_{1,1} - s_1^g$$

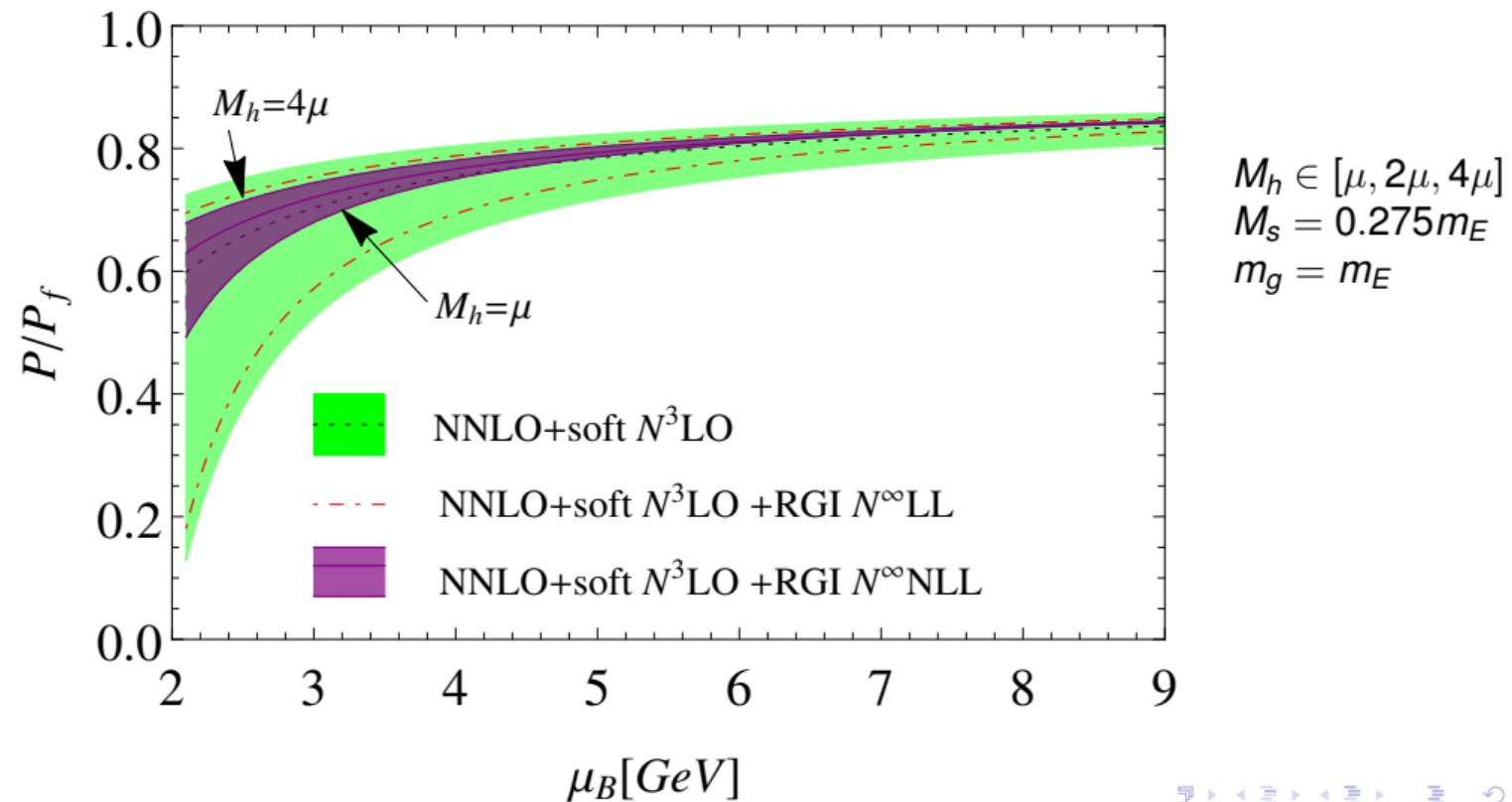


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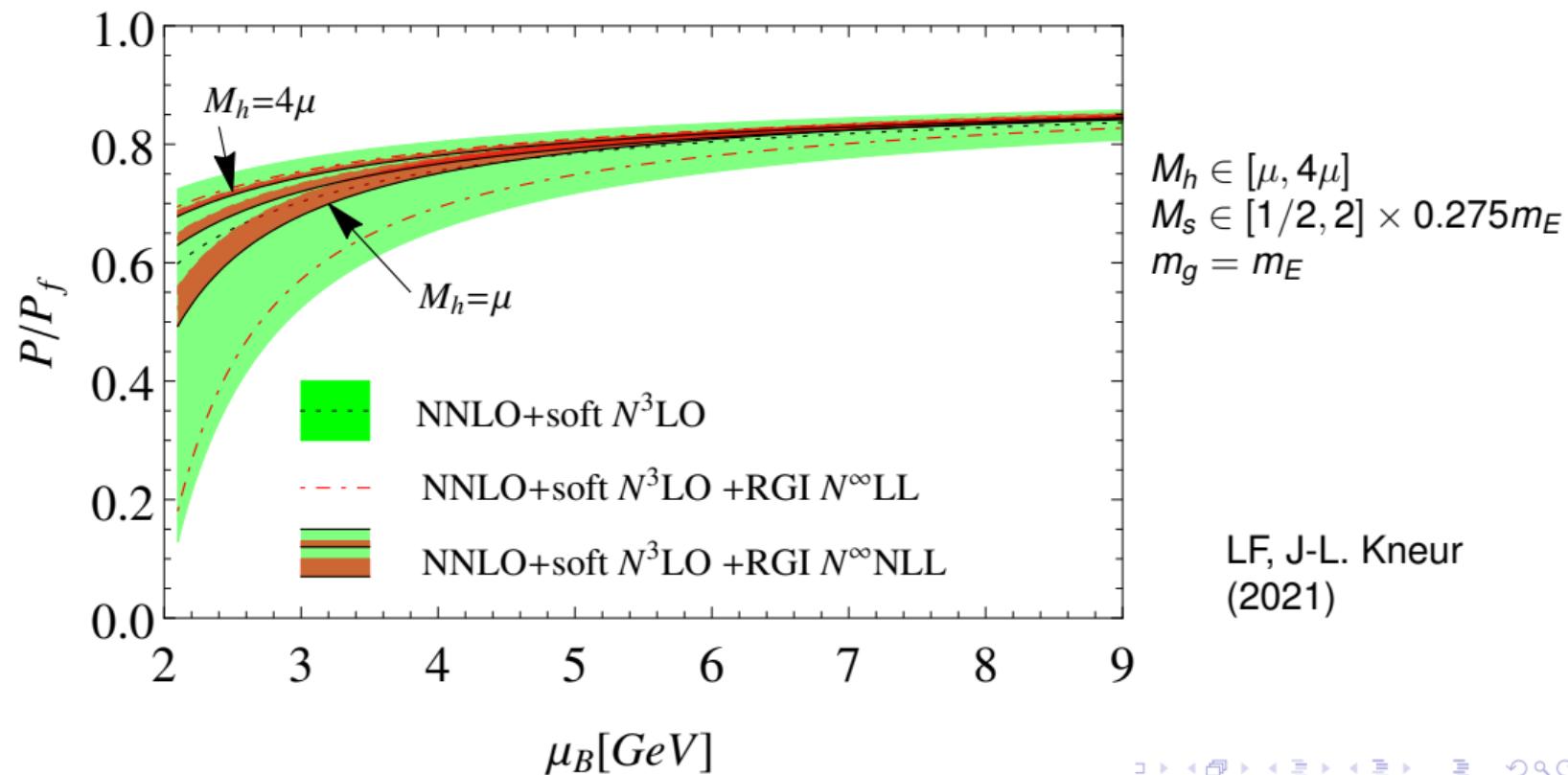
$$R(f_2) = (1 + g^2 b_1^g / (b_0^g f_2)) / (1 + g^2 b_1^g / b_0^g), \quad A_0 = \gamma_0^g / (2b_0^g), \quad A_1 = \gamma_1^g / (2b_1^g)$$

$$f_2 \simeq 1 + [2b_0^g g^2 + 2(b_1^g - \gamma_0^g b_0^g)g^4] \ln \frac{m_g}{M} + \mathcal{O}(g^6), \quad B = 4(A_1 - A_0), \quad C = b_1^g / (2(b_0^g)^2)$$

# Complete RGI pressure results

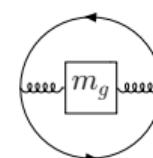


# Complete RGI pressure results



# Conclusion and perspectives

- Our RGI construction exhibits substantially improved remnant scale dependence.
- Evaluation of the HTL fermion loop diagram (beyond pure glue)
- Add these logs to the resummation
- Effects of non-zero quark masses
- Application to neutron stars equation-of-state with expected reduced scale dependence uncertainties.



(Plus higher orders)

Thank you for your attention !