

# Deconfinement transition as a black hole formation by the condensation of QCD string

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M.H.-Hyakutake-Nishimura-Takeuchi, PRL (2009)

M.H.-Hyakutake-Ishiki-Nishimura, Science (2014)

M.H.-Maltz-Susskind, hep-th (2014)

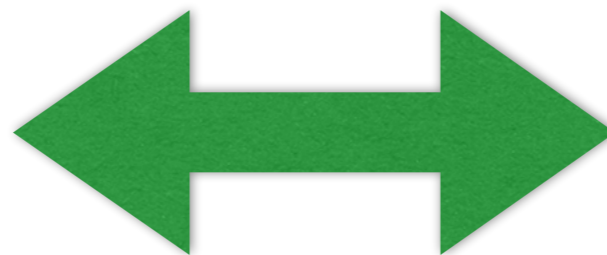
(I skip work in progress about real-time evolution because  
it turned out to be impossible to explain everything in 20 minutes)

Maldacena's conjecture:  
deconfining phase = black hole

**SYM**

**STRING**

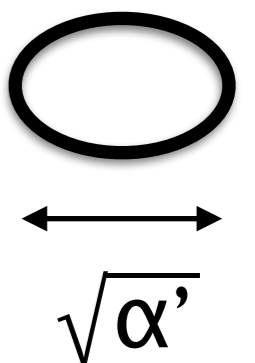
$$l/\lambda$$



$$\alpha'/R_{\text{BH}}^2$$

$$g_{\text{YM}}^2 \sim l/N$$

$$g_s$$



$\lambda = \infty, N = \infty$  corresponds to supergravity.

assumed to be correct without proof,  
and applied to QGP

Is it correct?

Is it correct only at large- $N$ , strong coupling?  
(supergravity, or Einstein gravity)

Or correct including  $1/\lambda$  and  $1/N$  corrections?  
(superstring theory)

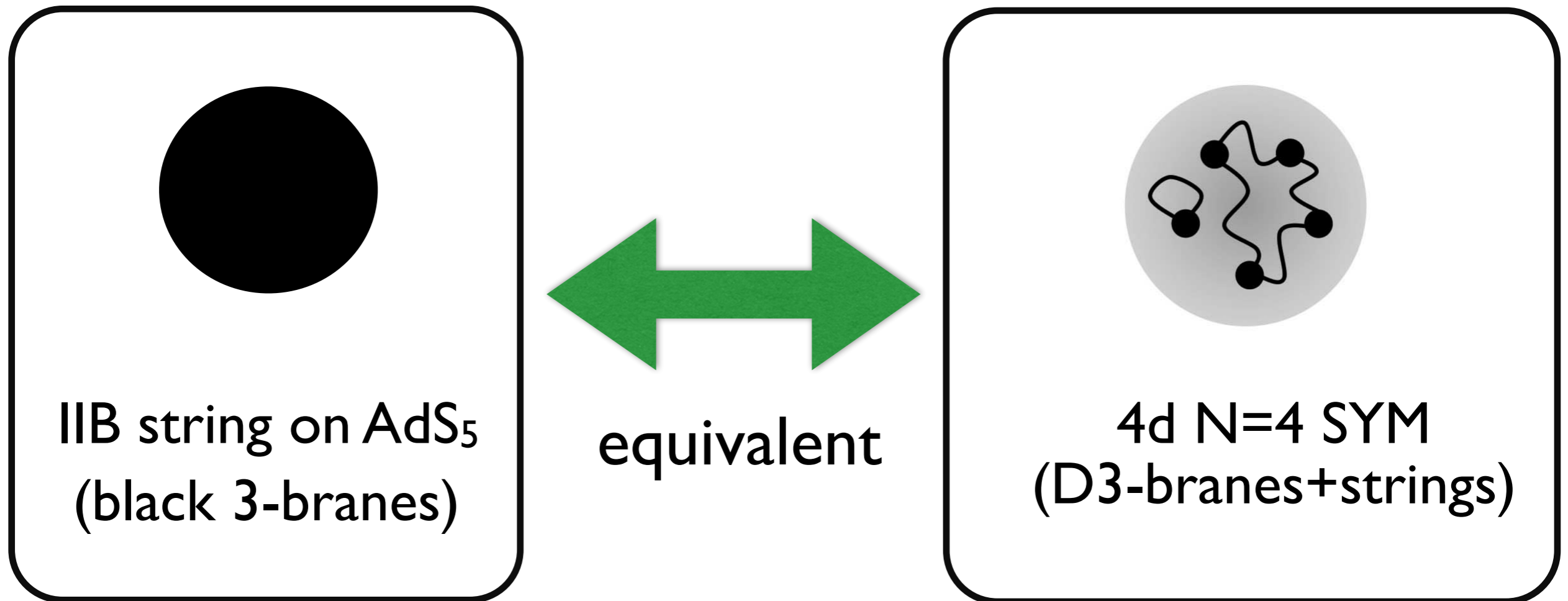
If correct, why? Can we understand it intuitively?

I want to answer to these questions, because

(1) I want to understand quantum gravity.

(2) I want to understand QGP.

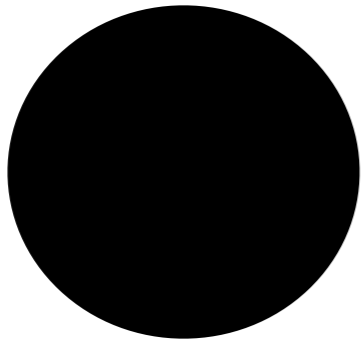
# AdS/CFT correspondence



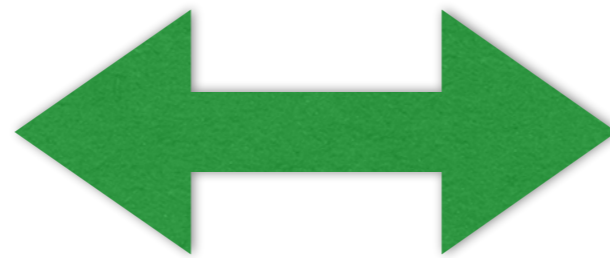
(Maldacena 1997)

Black hole = bunch of D0-branes

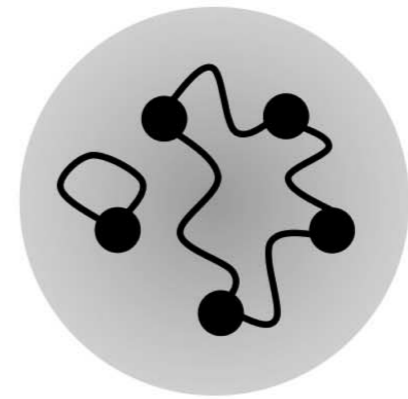
( + strings between them)



IIA string around  
black 0-brane  
(near horizon)



equivalent

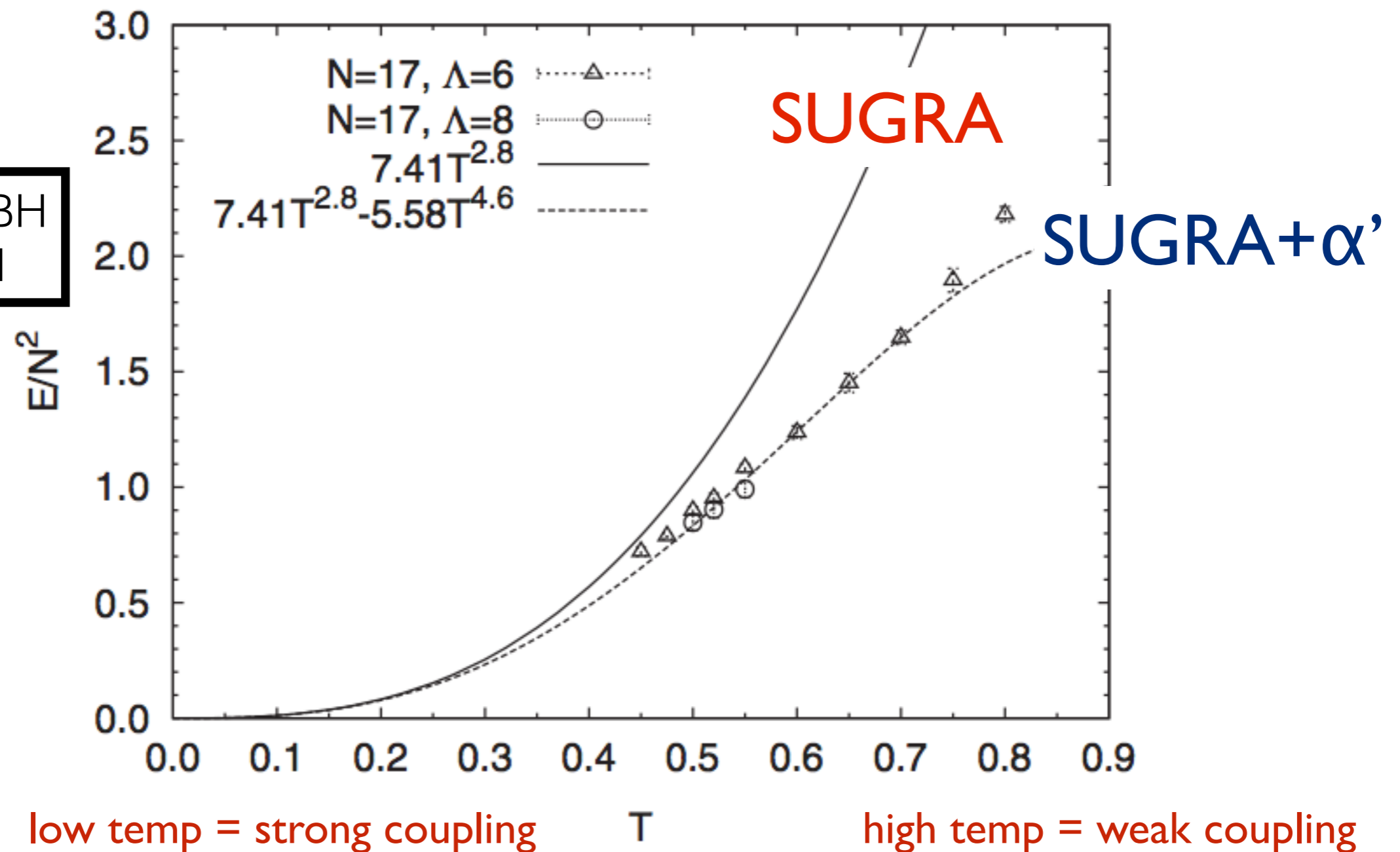


(0+1)-d maximal SYM  
(D0-branes+strings)

(Itzhaki-Maldacena-Sonnenschein-Yankielowicz 1998)

Quantitative test is possible by studying SYM numerically.

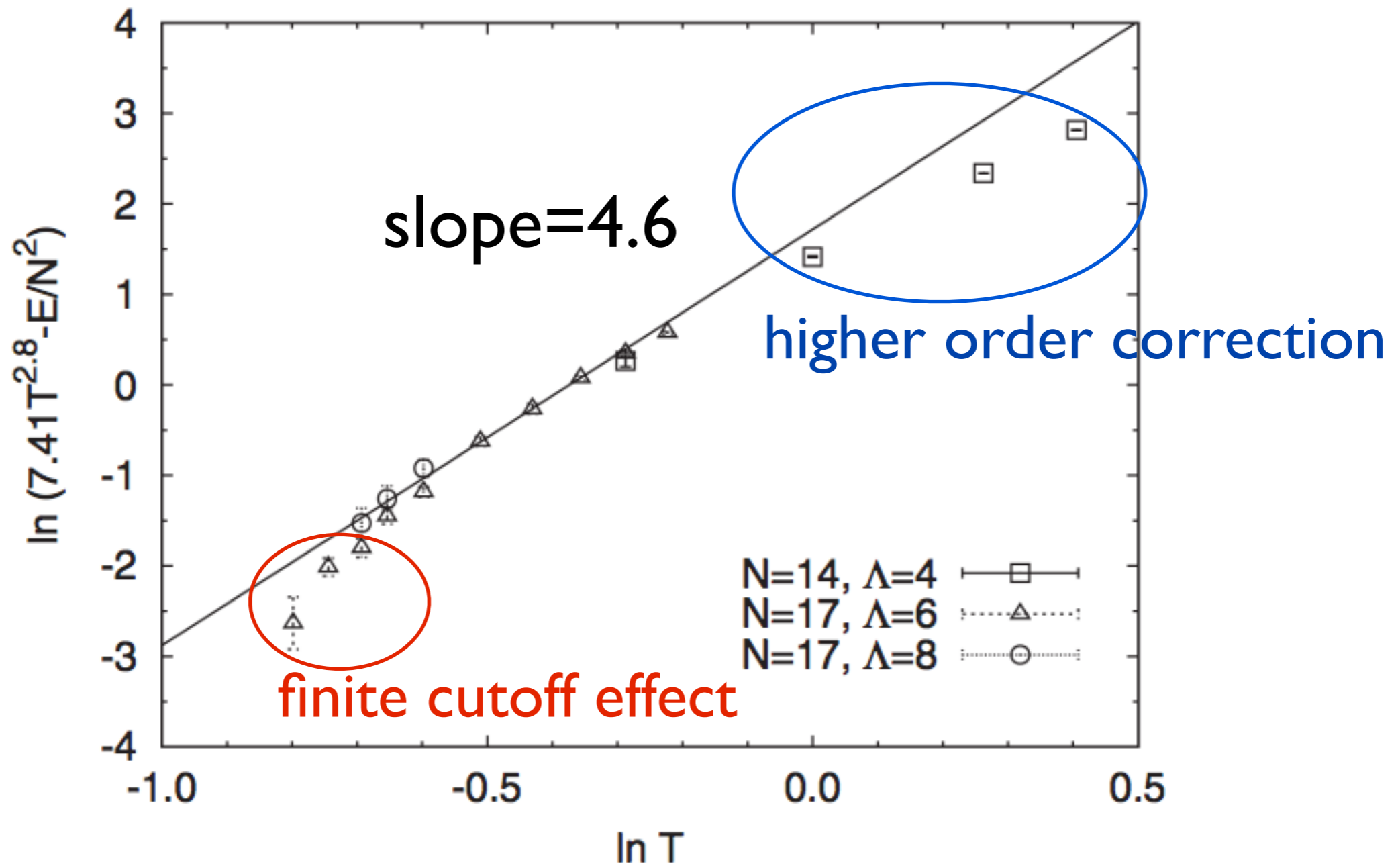
energy of BH  
and SYM



M.H.-Hyakutake-Nishimura-Takeuchi, PRL 2009

( $\lambda^{-1/3}T$  : dimensionless effective temperature)

*Maldacena conjecture is correct  
at finite coupling & temperature!*



M.H.-Hyakutake-Nishimura-Takeuchi, PRL 2009

# I/N correction

Dual gravity prediction (Y. Hyakutake, PTEP 2013)

$$E/N^2 = 7.41T^{2.8} - 5.58T^{4.6} + \dots$$

$$+ (1/N^2)(-5.77T^{0.4} + aT^{2.2} + \dots)$$

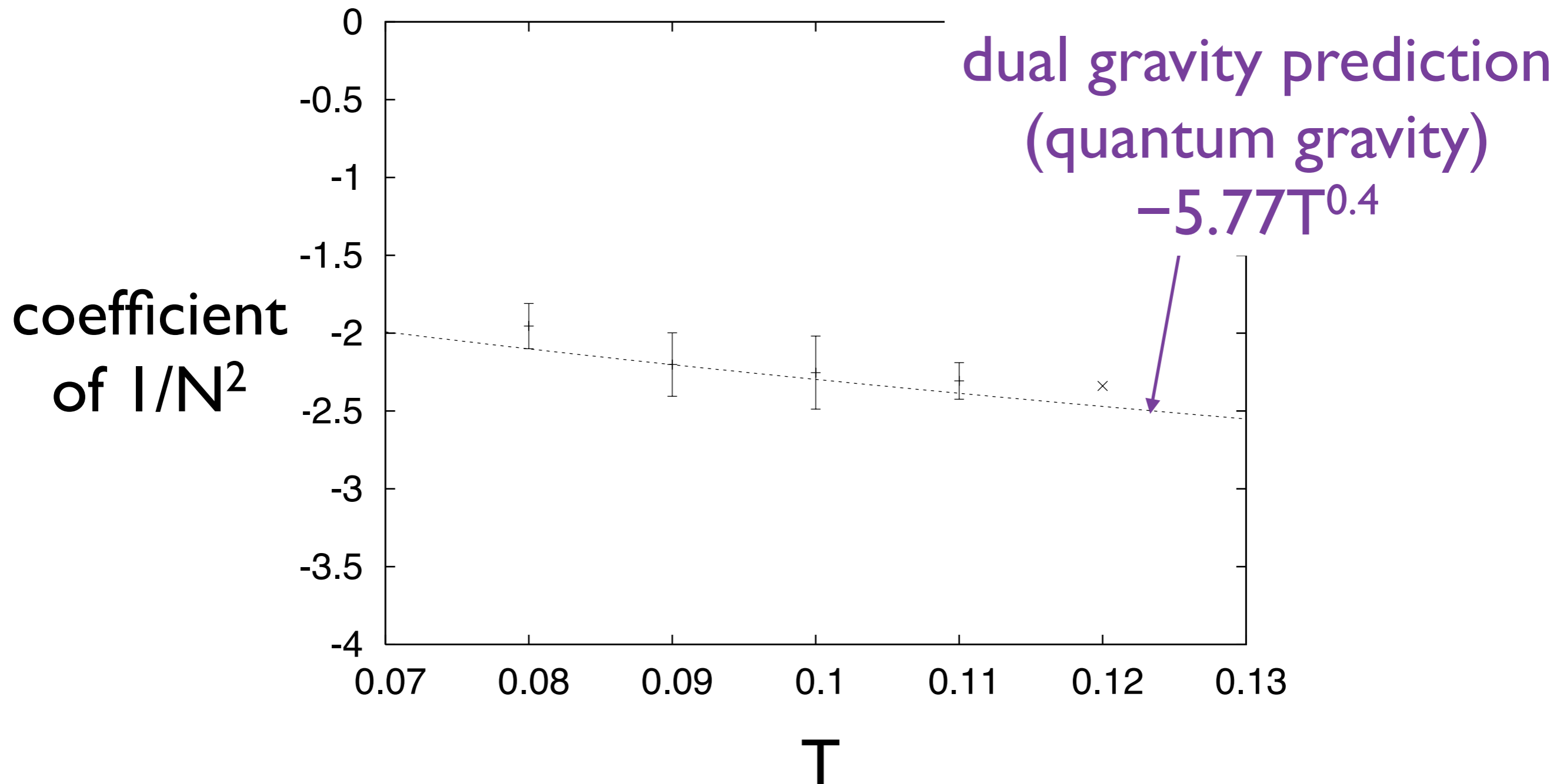
$$+ (1/N^4)(bT^{-2.6} + cT^{-2.0} + \dots)$$

$$+ \dots$$

} *QUANTUM*  
string effect

Can it be reproduced from YM?

*Maldacena conjecture is correct  
at finite-N !*



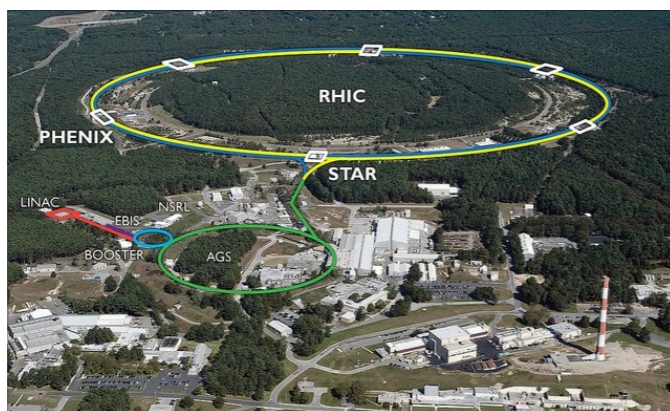
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Maldacena's conjecture is correct  
at finite temperature,  
including  $1/\lambda$  and  $1/N$  corrections,  
at least to the next-to-leading order.

So you can use it for learning about QGP at finite- $N$ !

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You can apply your knowledge about QGP to solve SYM  
plasma, which tells us about quantum gravity!



heavy-ion colliders are  
machines for quantum gravity!

But why does it hold? We want to understand it intuitively,  
so that we can understand physics behind it.

It should give us new perspective for both QGP and BH.

# microscopic descriptions of the black hole (black brane)

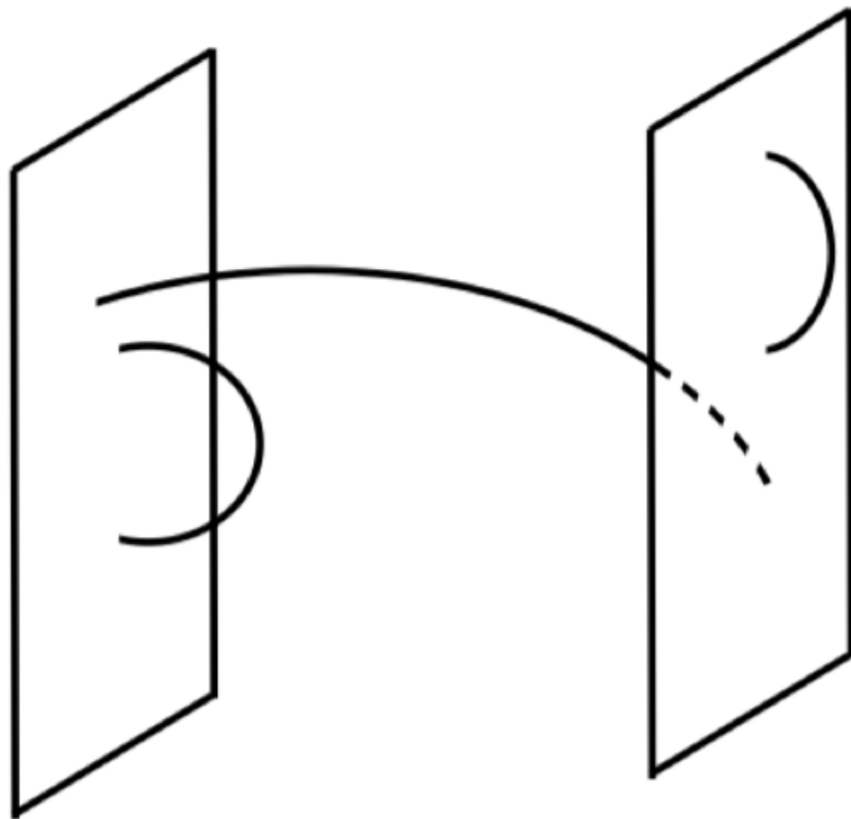
(1) D-branes + open strings

Polchinski, ...

(2) condensation of closed strings

Susskind, Horowitz-Polchinski, ...

BH = D-branes + open strings

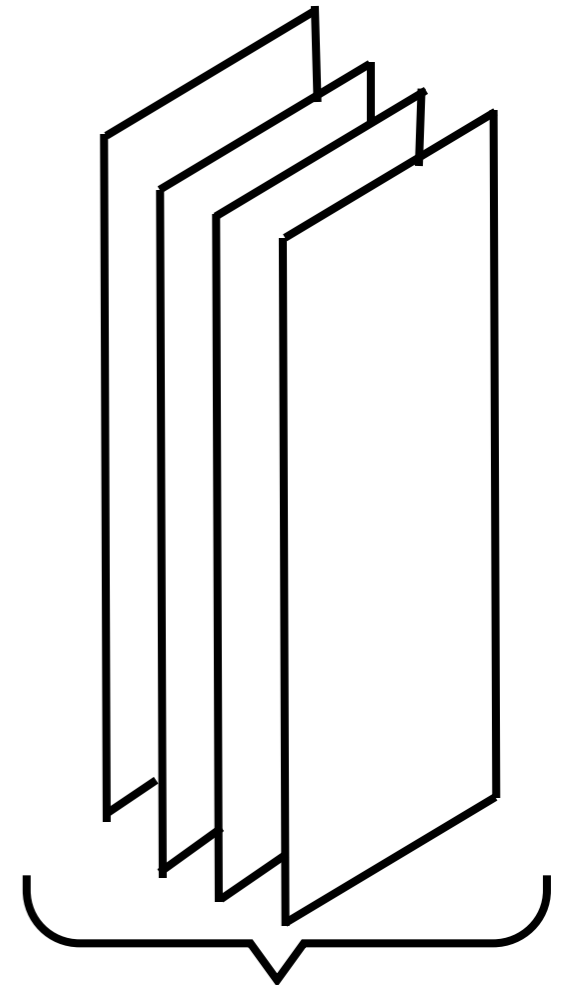


U(2) YM

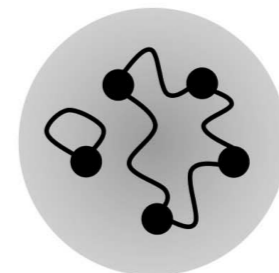
(i,j)-component of matrices  
= string between i-th and j-th D-branes

large  $N \rightarrow$  heavy  $\rightarrow$  BH

U(N) YM



**N Dp-branes**



# Black hole from closed string

(e.g. Susskind 1993)



long, winding string with length  $L$

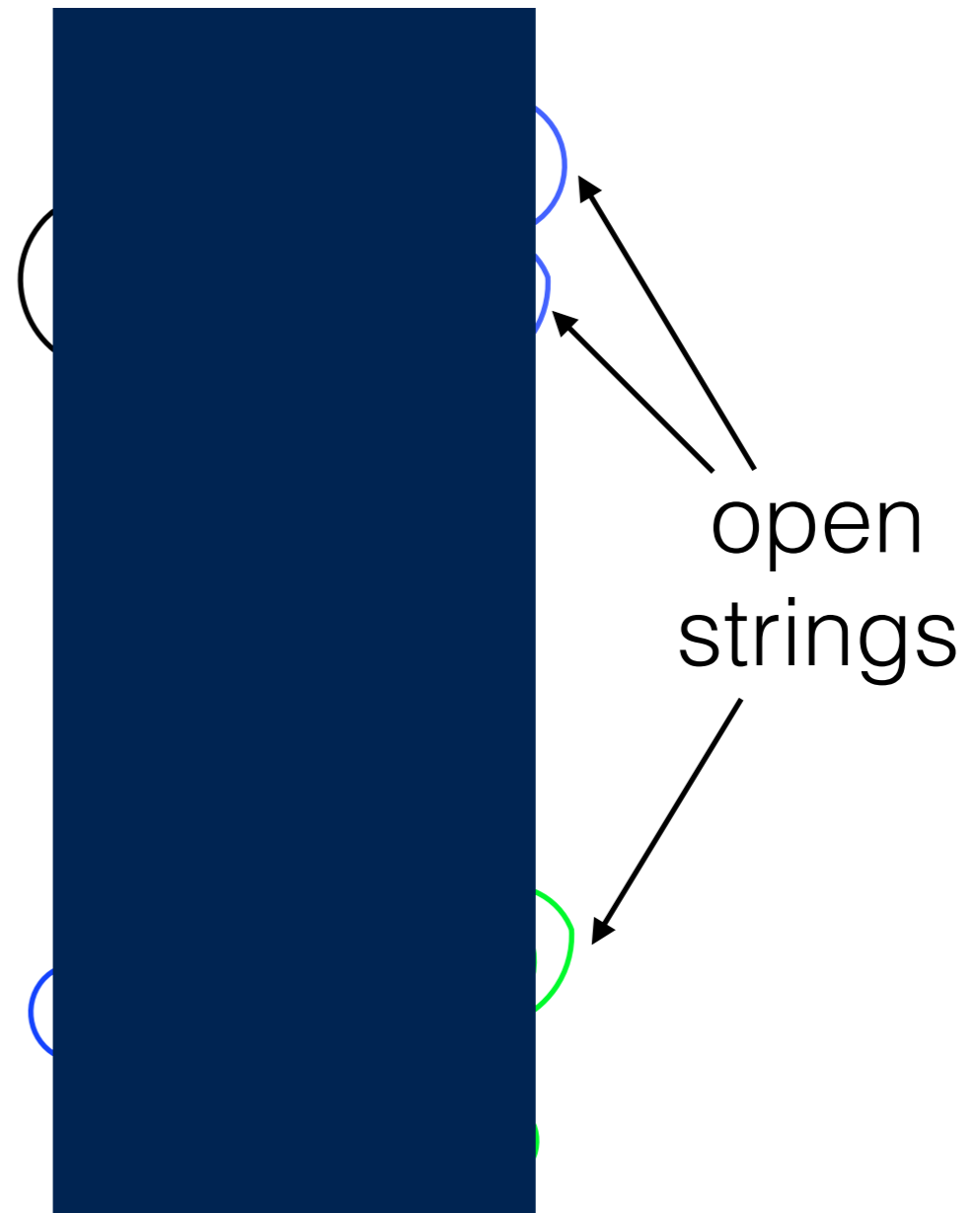
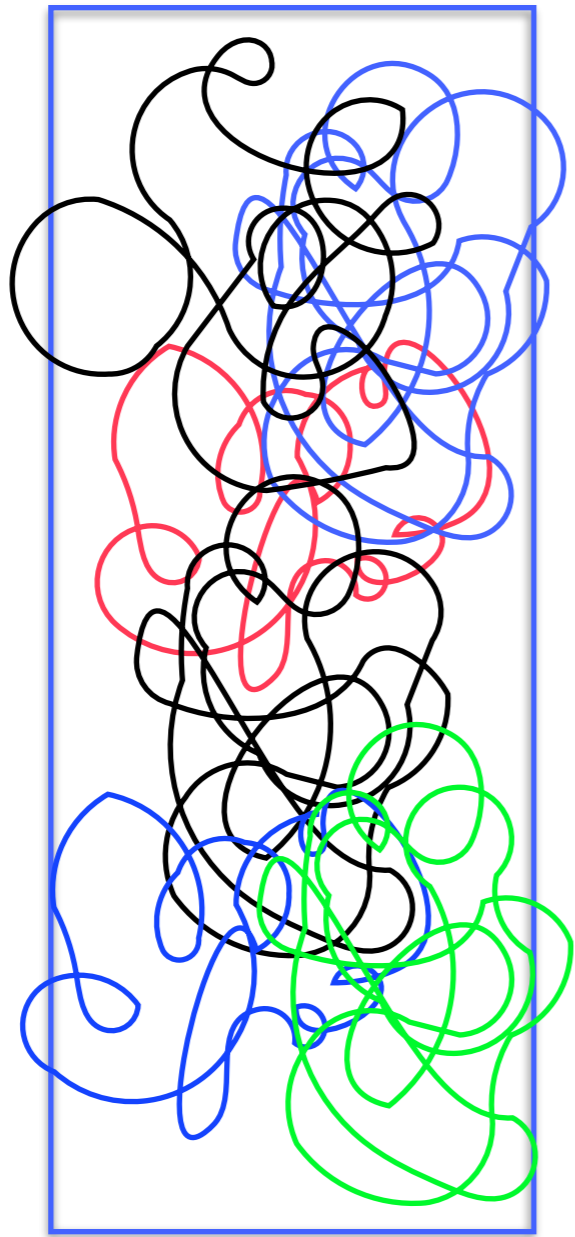
energy = tension  $\times L$

entropy  $\sim L$

when  $L \gg 1$ , huge energy and entropy are  
packed in a small region  $\rightarrow$  black hole

How are they related?

long, winding strings = black brane + open strings



The meaning of **N** (# of D-branes) becomes clear later.

# Gauge theory description

confining phase: 't Hooft, 1974

deconfining phase: M.H.-Maltz-Susskind, 2014

# Lattice gauge theory description at strong coupling

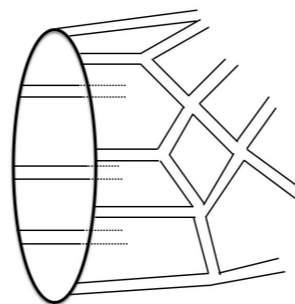
Understand it by using the Hamiltonian formulation  
of lattice gauge theory (Kogut-Susskind, 1974)

$$H = \frac{\lambda N}{2} \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N^2} (E_{\mu,\vec{x}}^{\alpha})^2 + \frac{N}{\lambda} \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\mu < \nu} \left( N - \text{Tr}(U_{\mu,\vec{x}} U_{\nu,\vec{x}+\hat{\mu}} U_{\mu,\vec{x}+\hat{\nu}}^{\dagger} U_{\nu,\vec{x}}^{\dagger}) \right)$$

$$[E_{\mu,\vec{x}}^{\alpha}, U_{\nu,\vec{y}}] = \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{\vec{x}\vec{y}} \cdot \tau^{\alpha} U_{\nu,\vec{y}}$$

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{N^2} \tau_{ij}^{\alpha} \tau_{kl}^{\alpha} = \frac{\delta_{il} \delta_{jk}}{N^2}$$

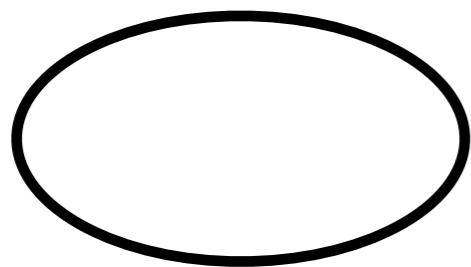
Hilbert space is expressed by  
Wilson loops.  
(closed string)



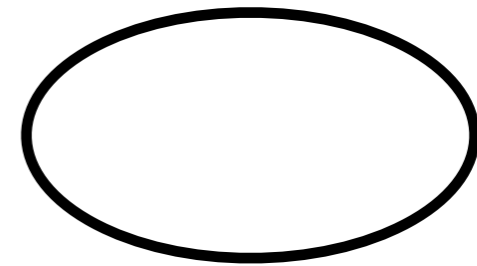
strong coupling limit

$$H = \frac{N}{2} \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N^2} (E_{\mu, \vec{x}}^{\alpha})^2$$

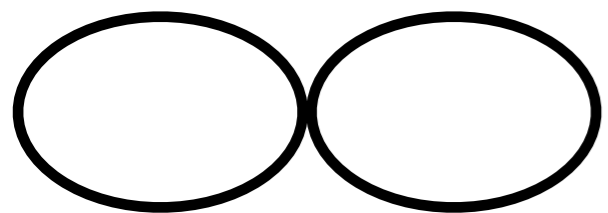
( $\lambda=1$  for simplicity)



$$\frac{L}{2}$$



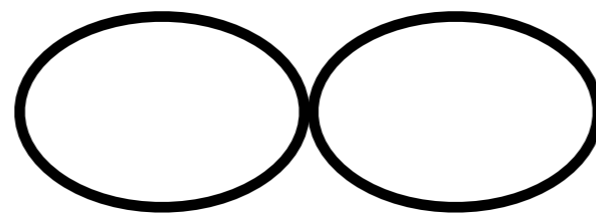
$L = \text{length of string}$



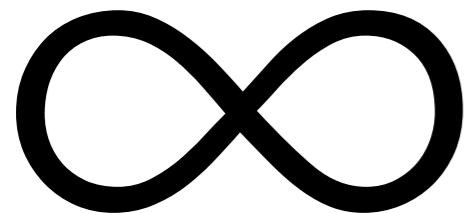
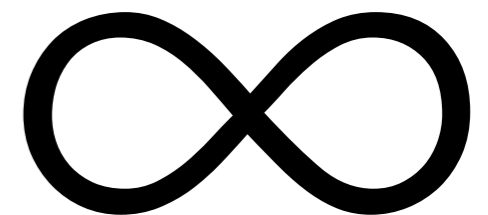
2 strings



$$\frac{L}{2}$$



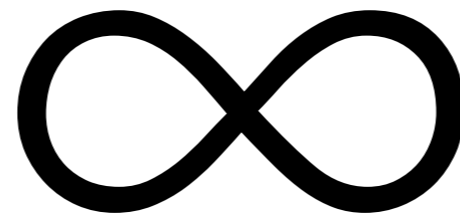
$$+ \frac{1}{N}$$



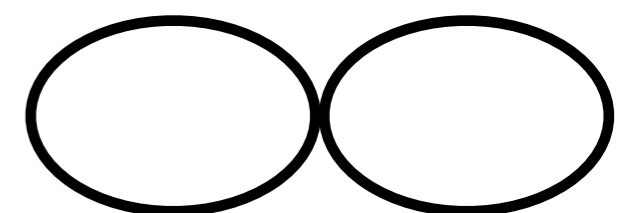
1 string

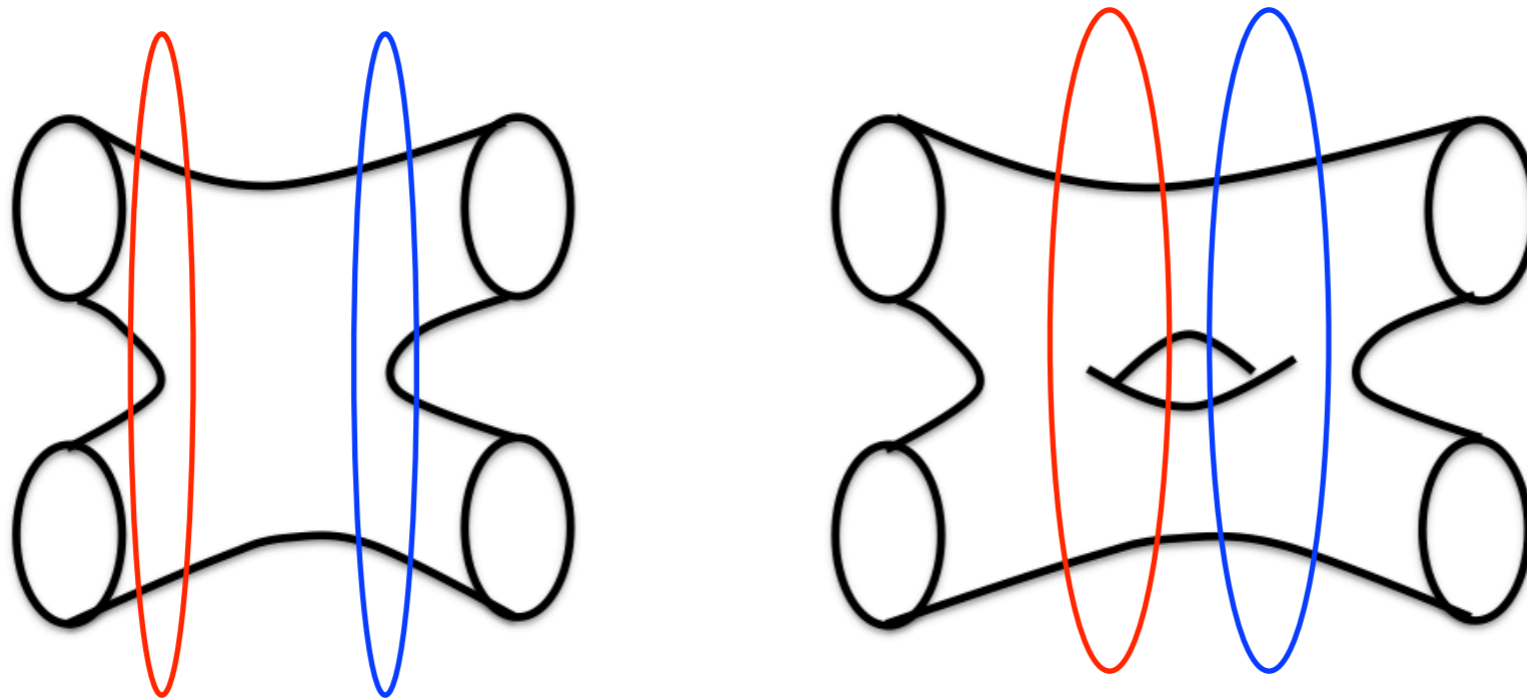


$$\frac{L}{2}$$



$$+ \frac{1}{N}$$





splitting  $\sim 1/N$

joining  $\sim 1/N$

$1/N^2$  for each loop of closed strings

“large- $N$  limit is the theory of free string”

# Strings out of YM: deconfining phase

M.H.-Maltz-Susskind, 2014

related previous work: Patel; Kalaydzhyan-Shuryak; ...

Hilbert space is always the same. Why don't we express the deconfining phase by using Wilson loops?

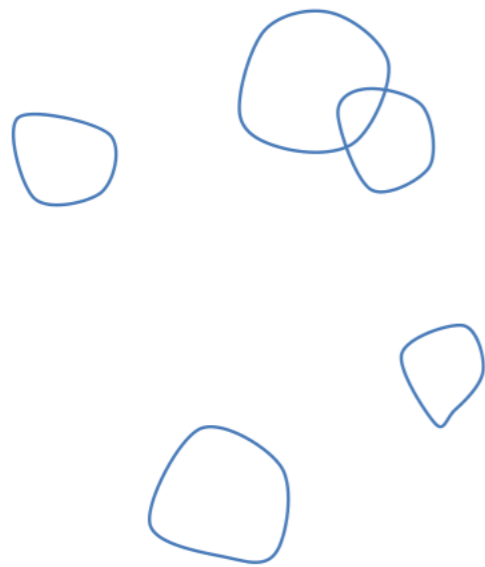
- interaction (joining/splitting) is  $1/N$ -suppressed

“large- $N$  limit is the theory of free string”

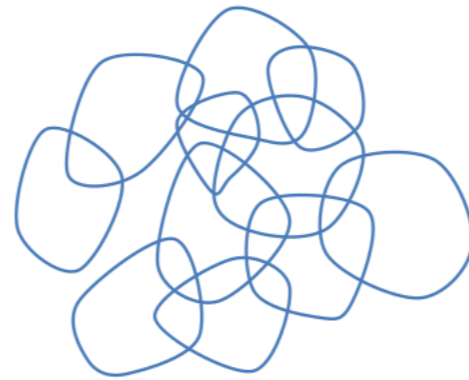
- It is true when  $L$  is  $O(N^0)$ . ( $\rightarrow$ confining phase)
- In deconfinement phase, total length of the strings is  $O(N^2) \rightarrow$  number of intersections is  $O(N^2)$   
 $\rightarrow$ interaction is **not** negligible

large- $N$  limit is still very dynamical!

confining phase  
= gas of short strings



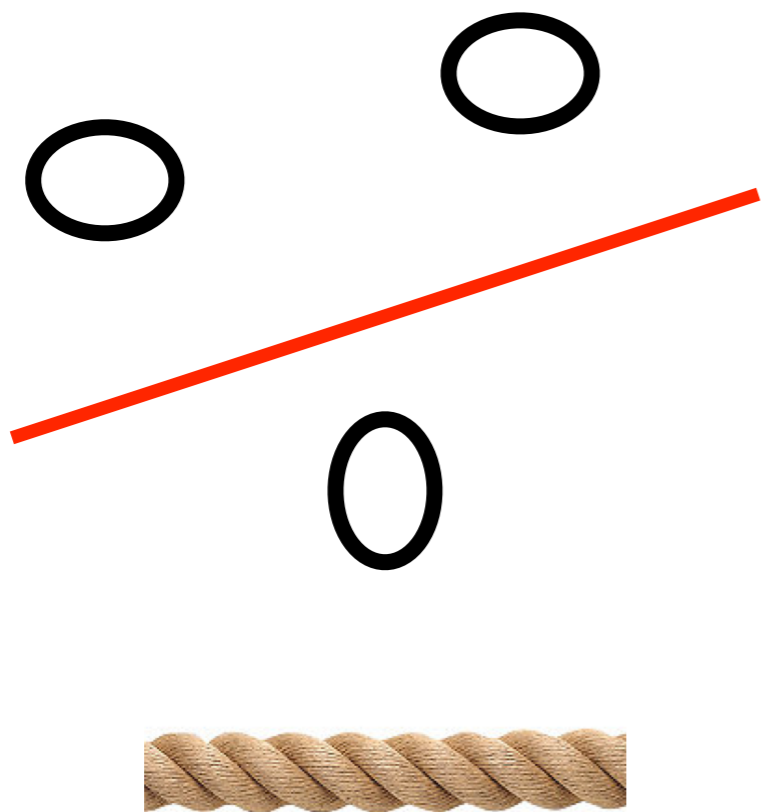
long and winding string,  
which is interpreted as BH,  
appears



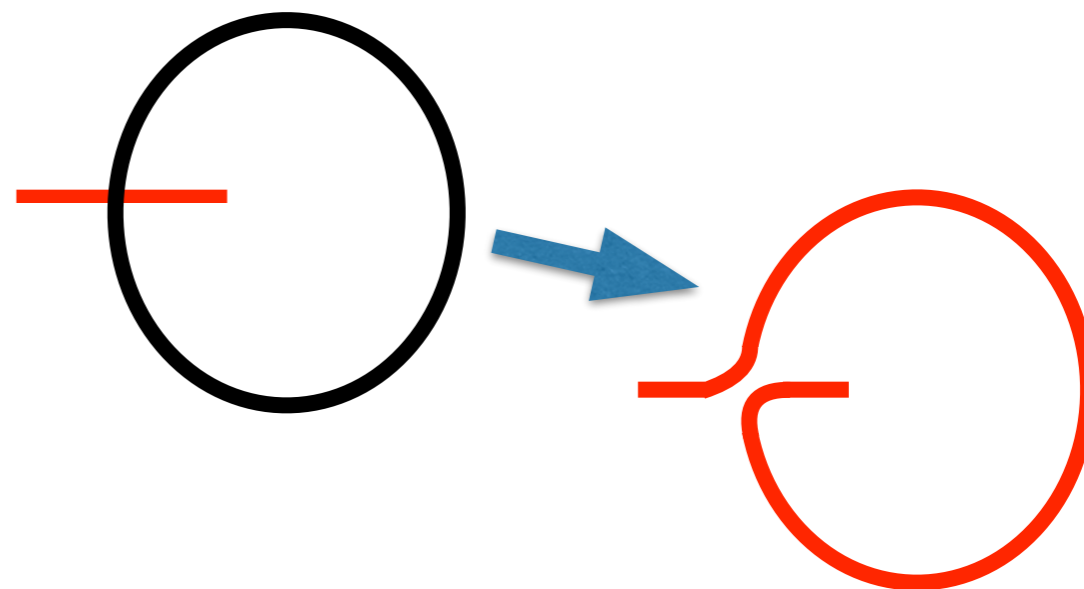
as the density of strings increase,  
interaction between strings  
becomes important, and...

# (de)confinement of probe charges

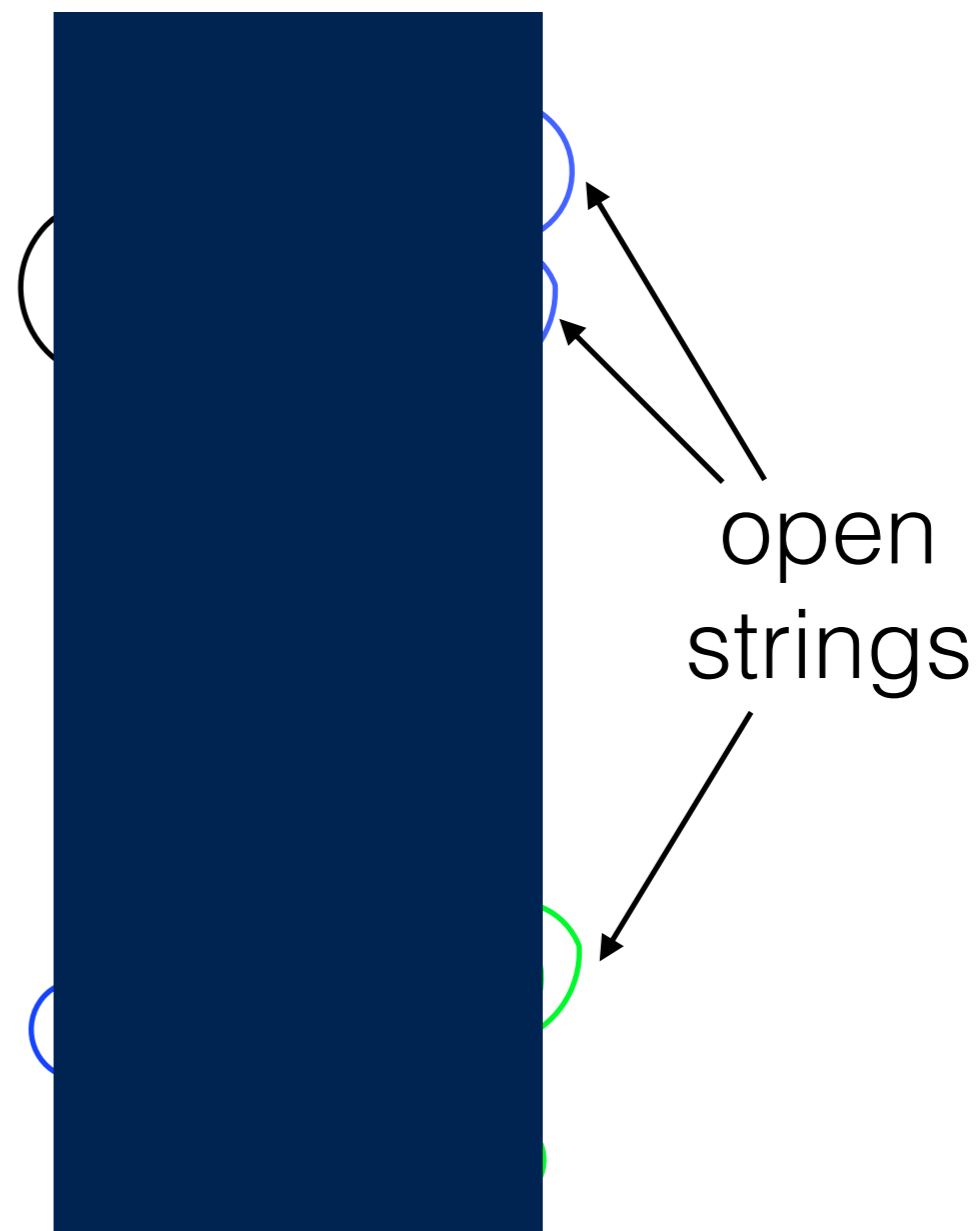
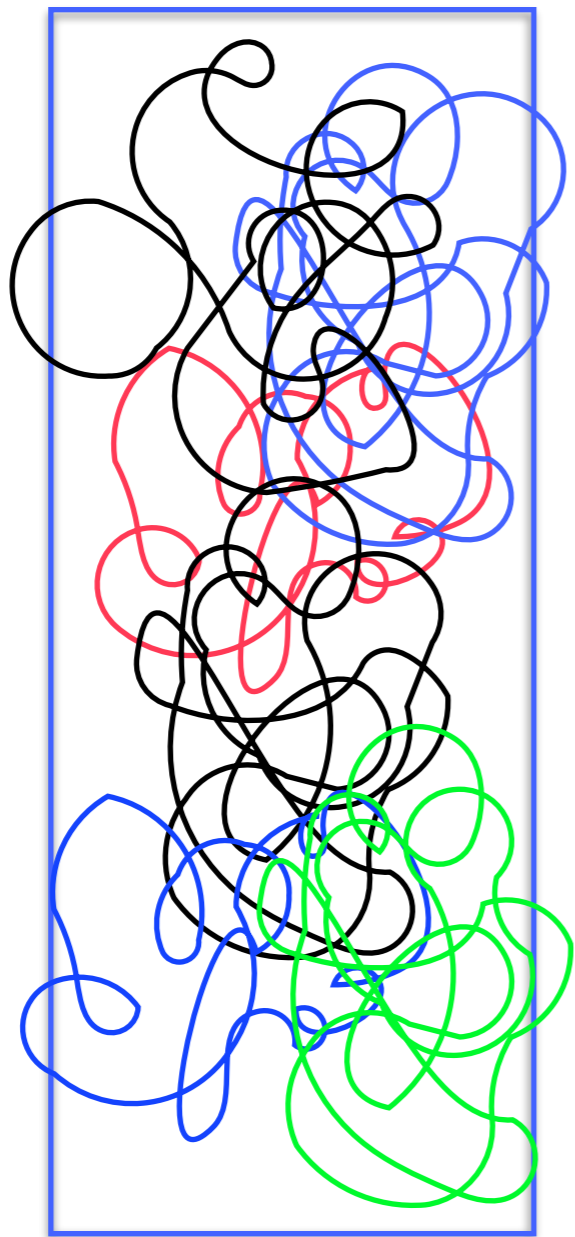
confine



deconfine

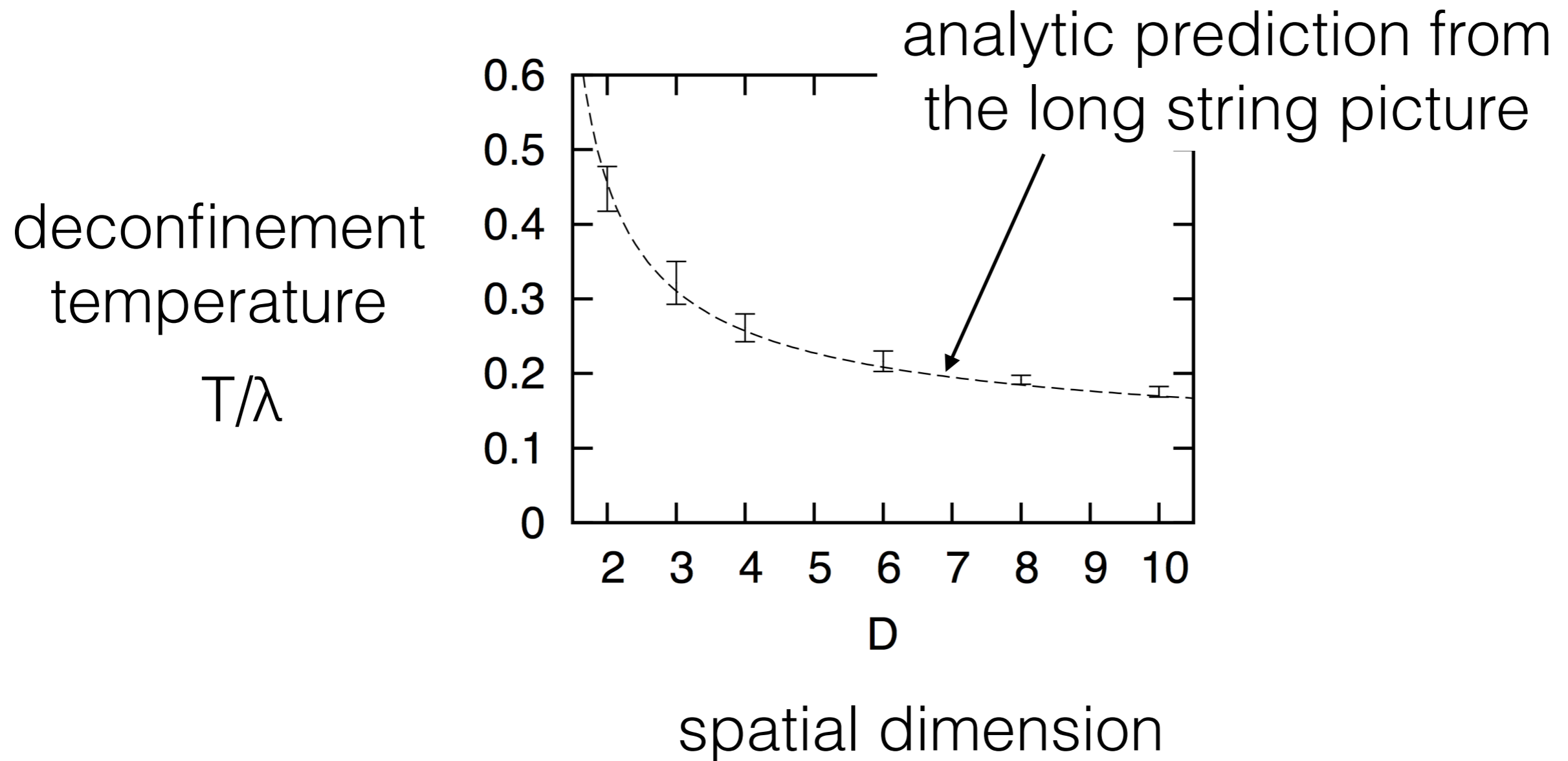


long, winding *QCD*-strings = black brane + open *QCD*-strings



open strings = Wilson lines, which have  $N$  color d.o.f at endpoints  
→ black brane is made from  $N$  Dp-branes

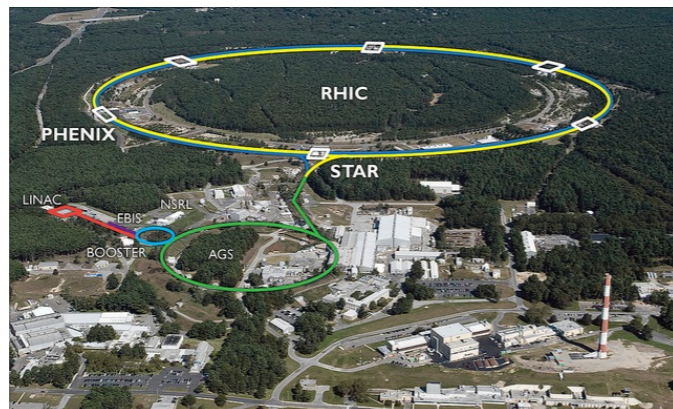
# D-dim square lattice at strong coupling



# conclusion

Maldacena's conjecture is correct  
at finite temperature,  
including  $1/\lambda$  and  $1/N$  corrections,  
at least to the next-leading order.

so, lattice/nuclear theorists can study  
quantum gravity, by studying field theory.  
You can do something string theorists cannot do.

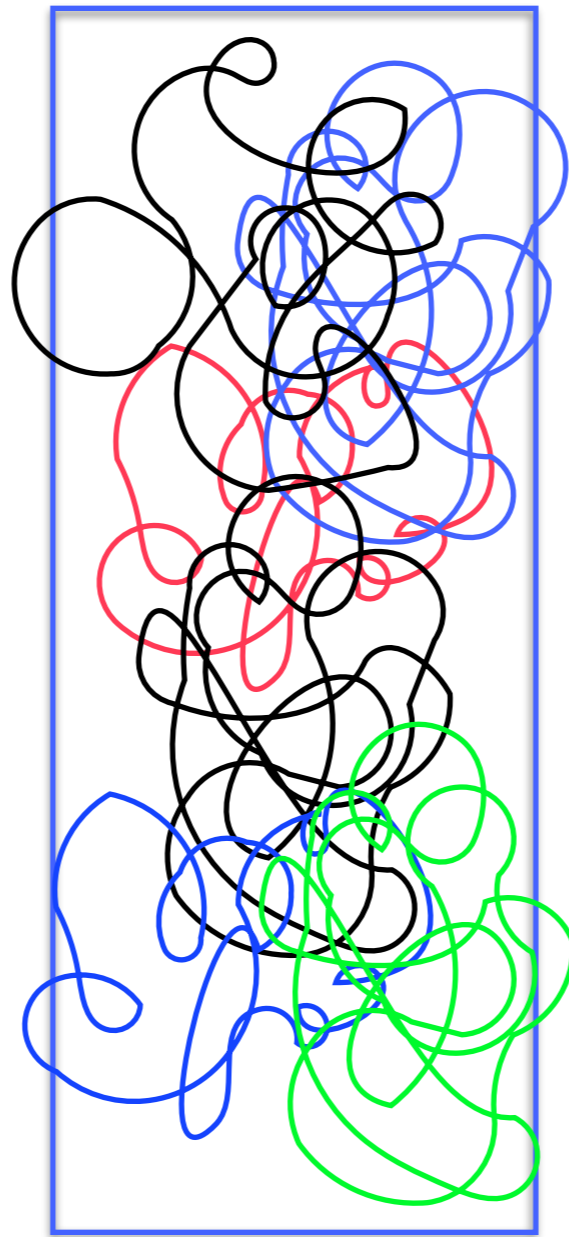


heavy-ion colliders are  
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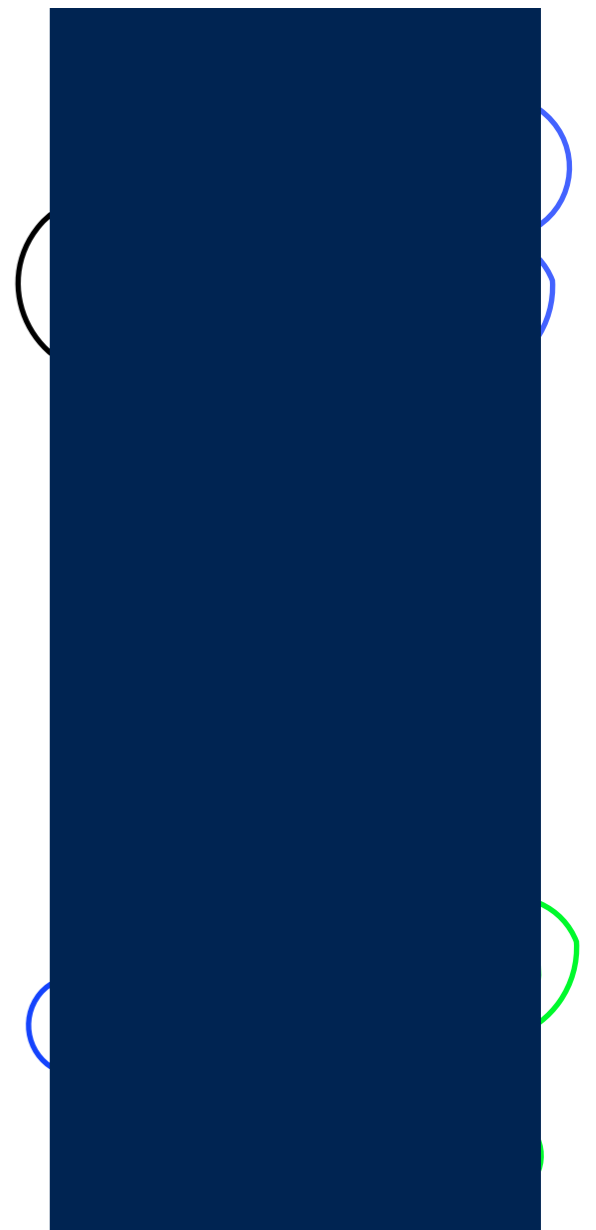
# conclusion

deconfinement  
phase

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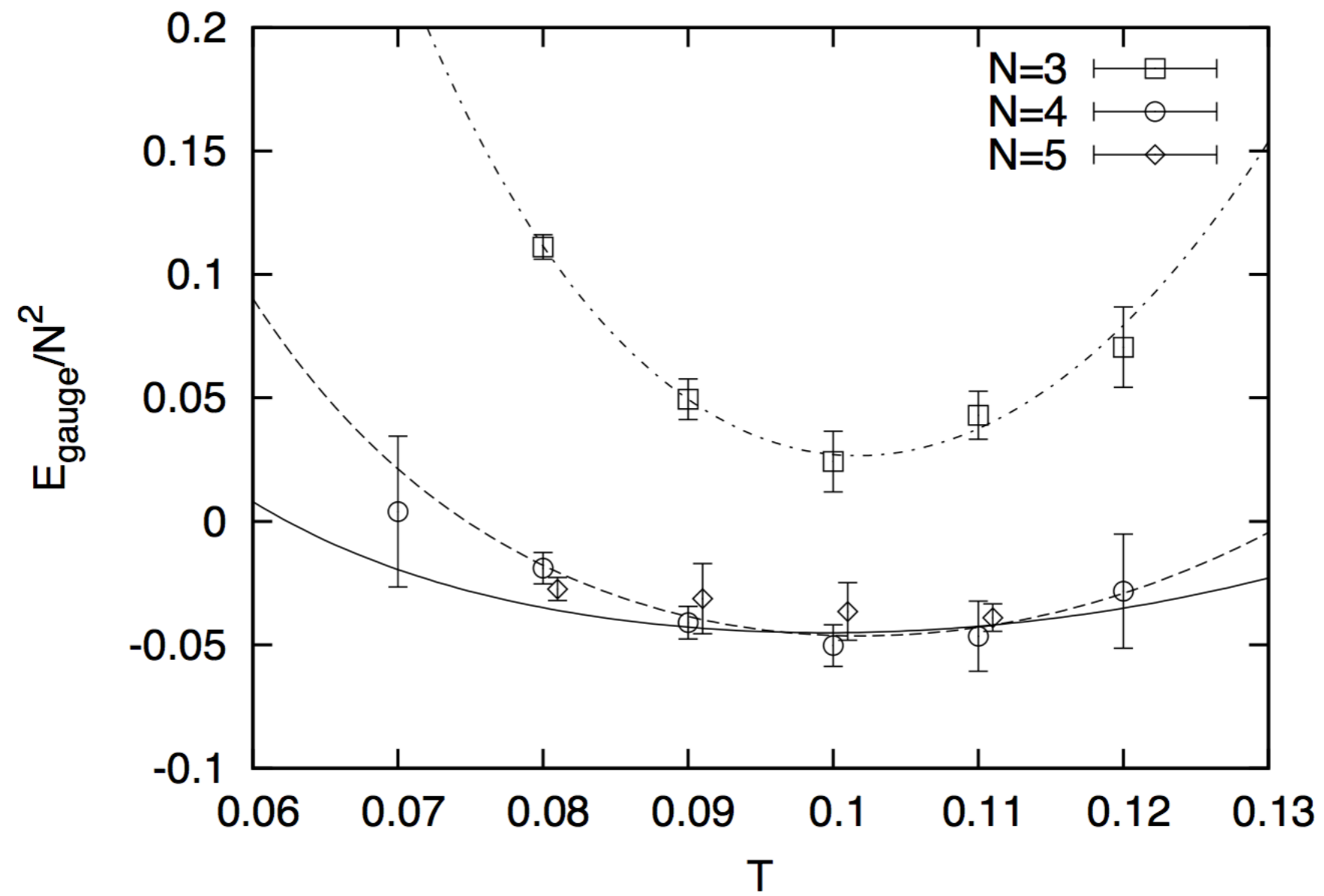


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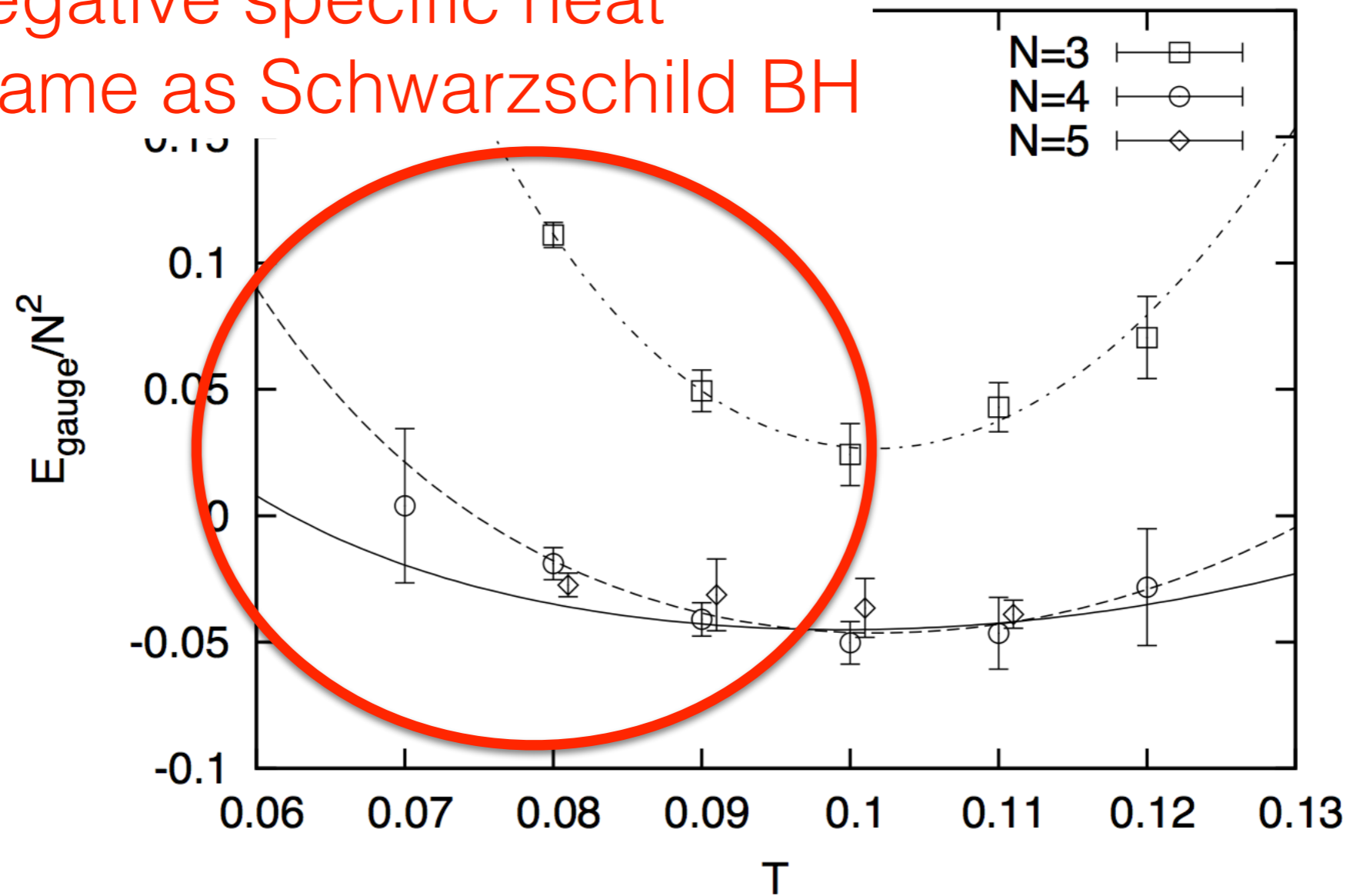
Strong coupling limit contains the essence.  
Stringy picture should be useful for learning about QGP.

backup



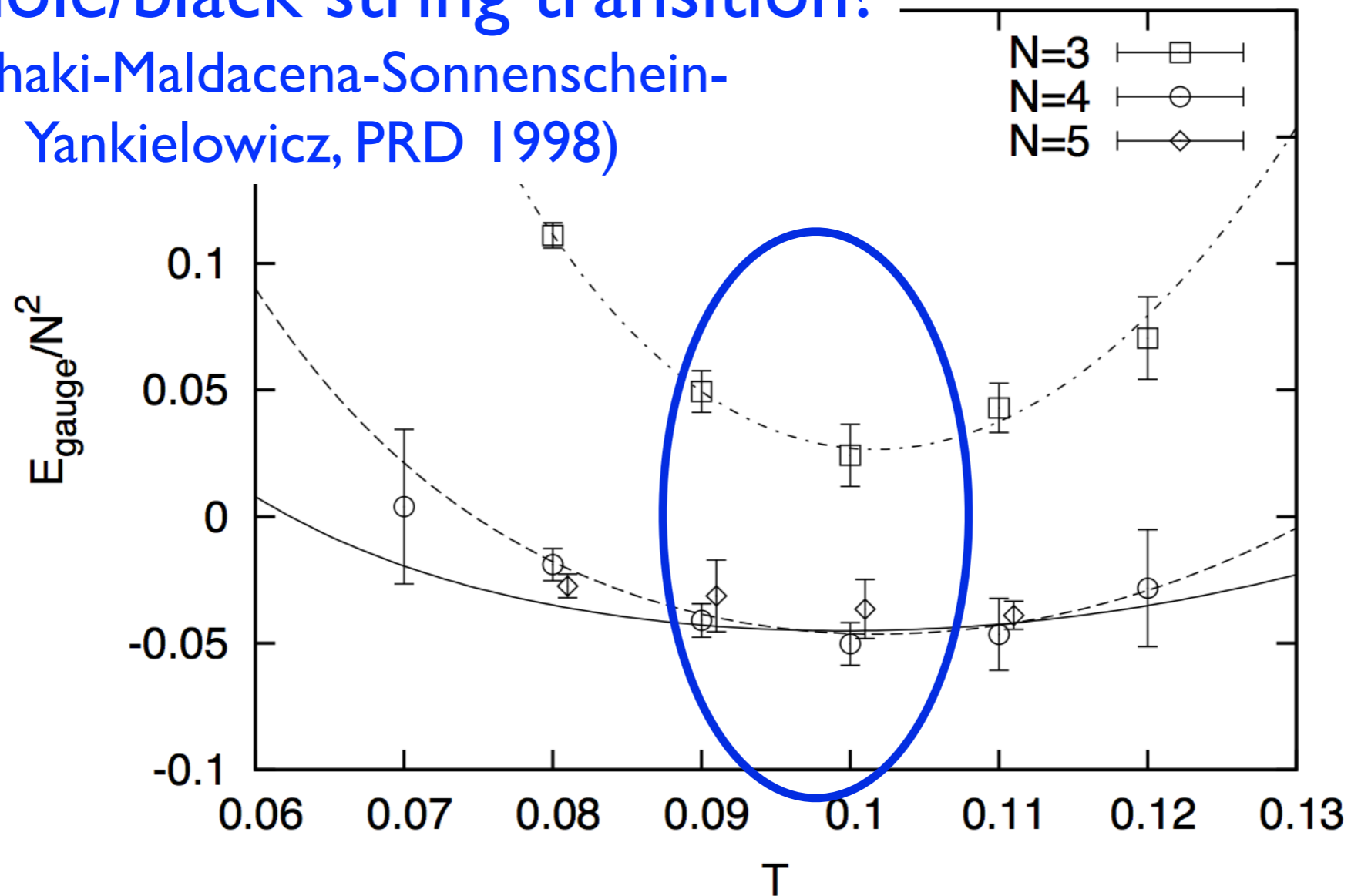
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negative specific heat  
→ the same as Schwarzschild BH



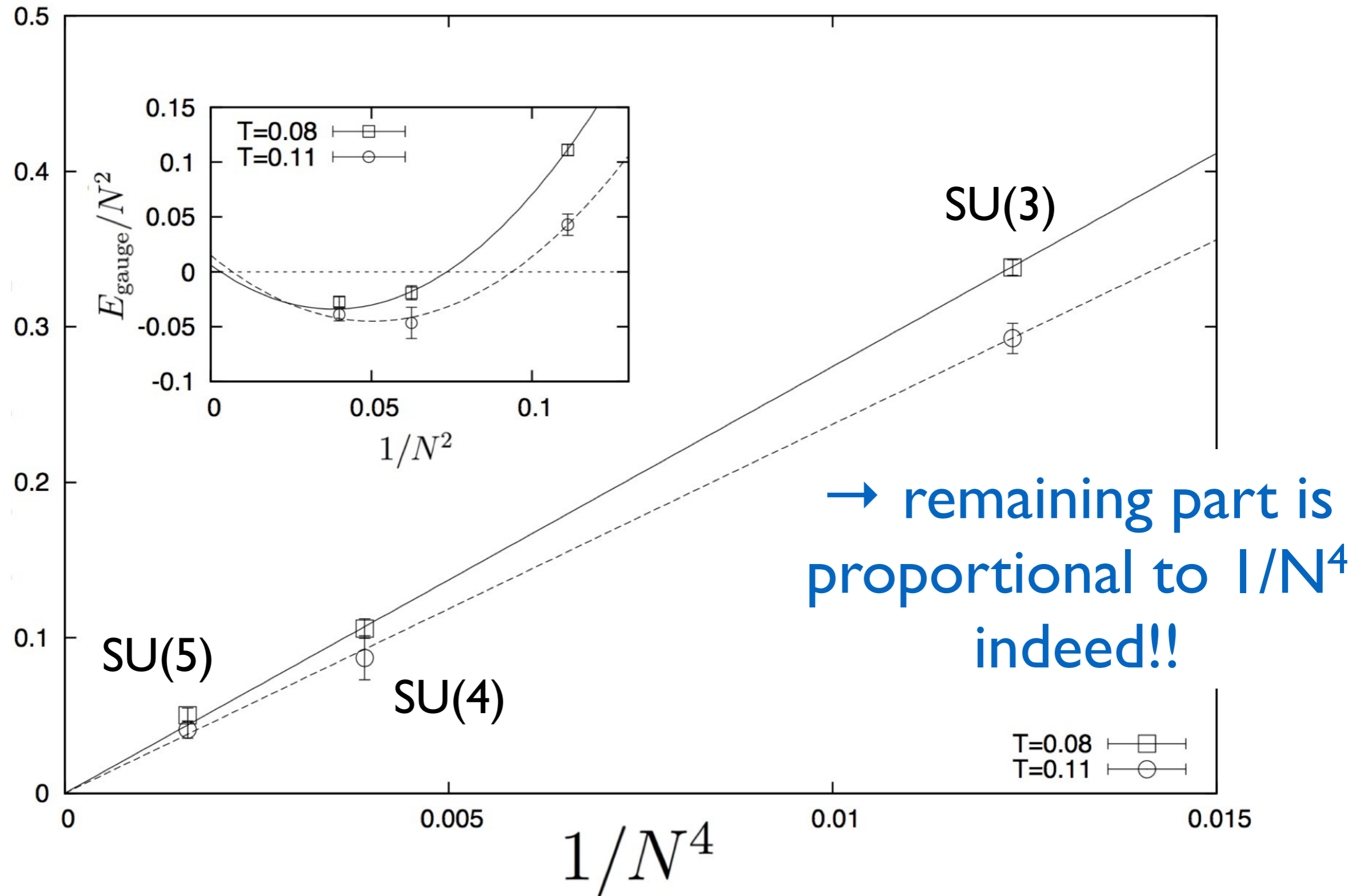
# Black hole/black string transition?

(Itzhaki-Maldacena-Sonnenschein-Yankielowicz, PRD 1998)



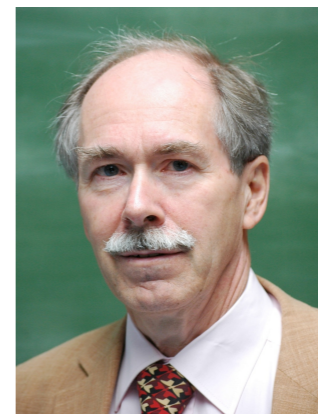
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$$E/N^2 - (7.41T^{2.8} - 5.77T^{0.4}/N^2) \text{ vs. } 1/N^4$$

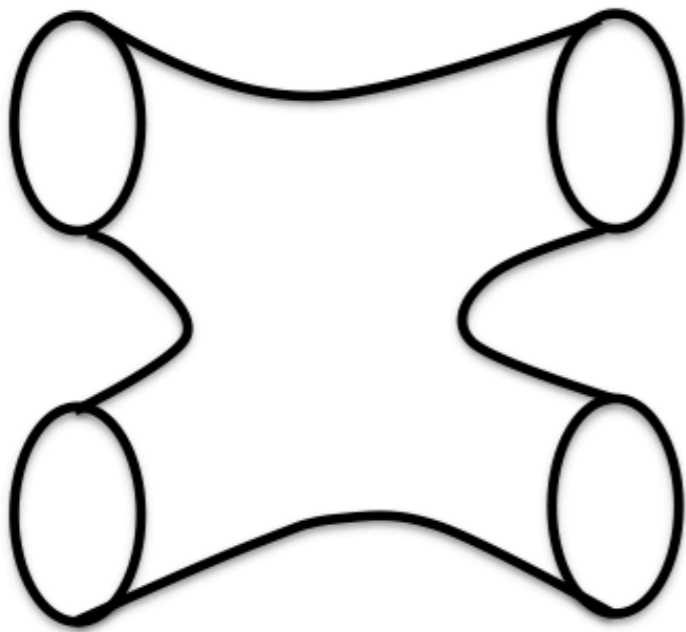


Strings out of YM:

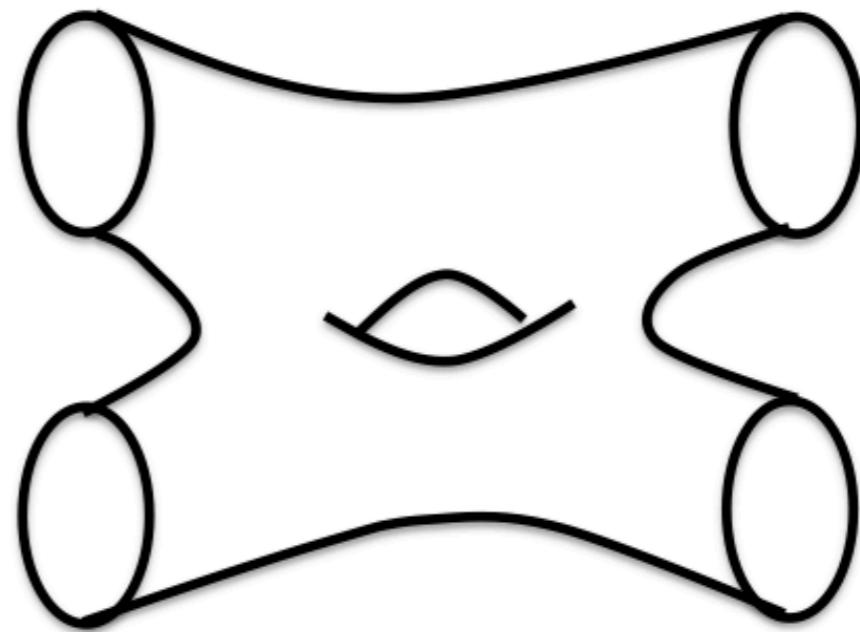
't Hooft's argument for the confining phase



# scattering of strings



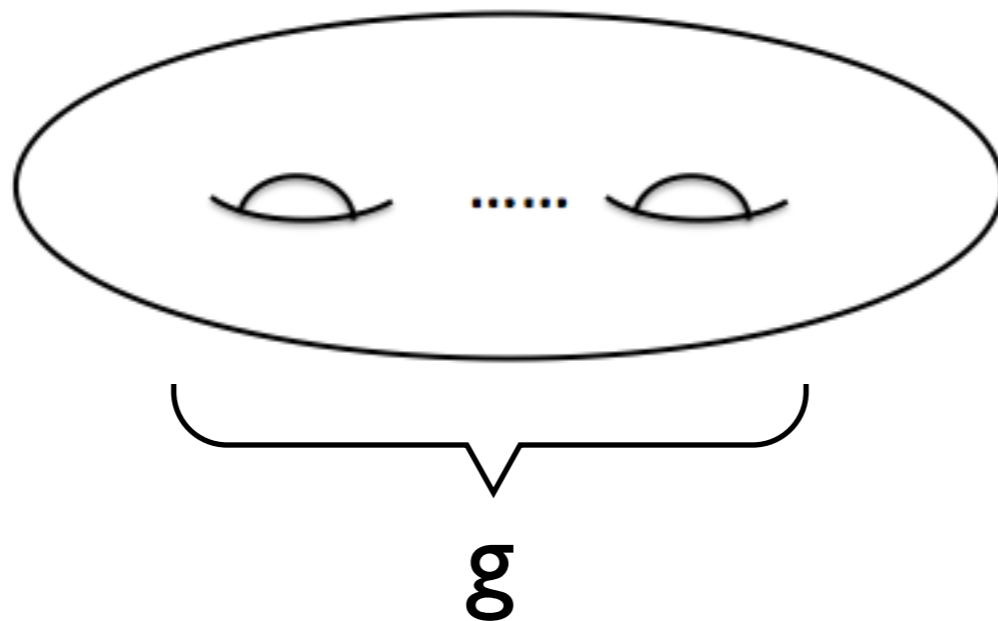
tree



one-loop

$$\sim g_s^2$$

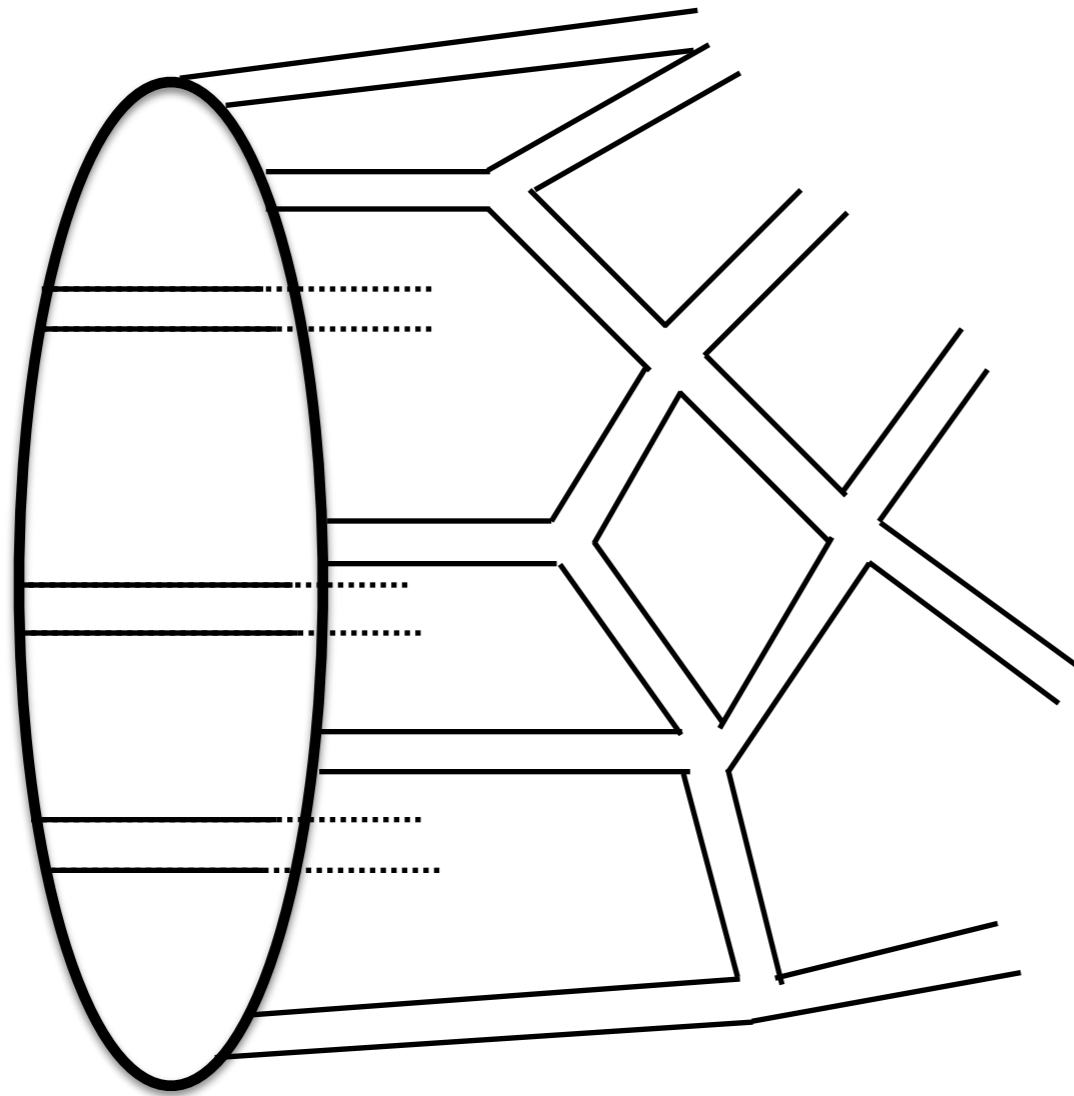
$g$  closed string loops  $\rightarrow$  genus  $g$  surface



$$\sim g_s^{2g}$$

One takes into account the quantum effect order by order, by increasing  $g$  one by one.  
 $\rightarrow$  perturbative formulation

# Main idea



Feynman diagram  
= “fishnet” made of gluons  
= string worldsheet

How can they be related  
without ambiguity?

↑  
Wilson loop = creation operator of closed string

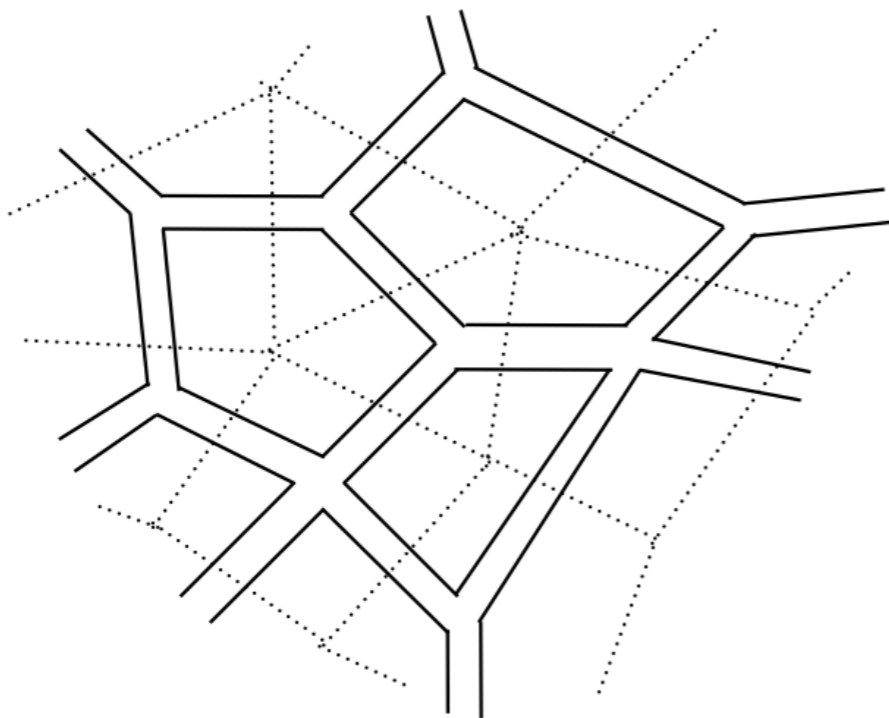
# Main idea

Feynman diagram

“fish net”

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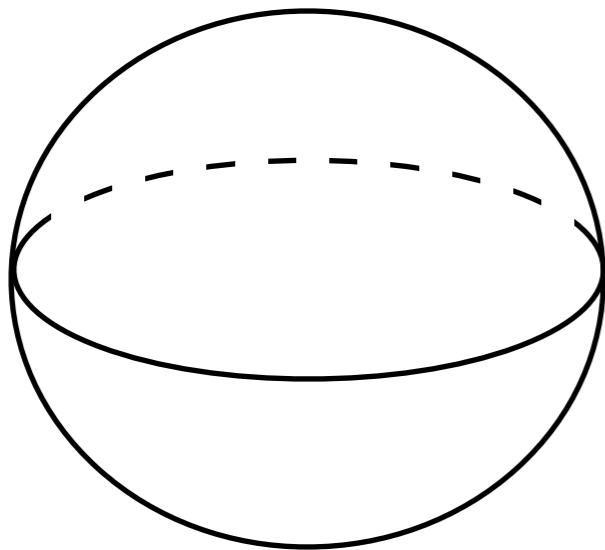
triangulation/quadrangulation  
of string worldsheet



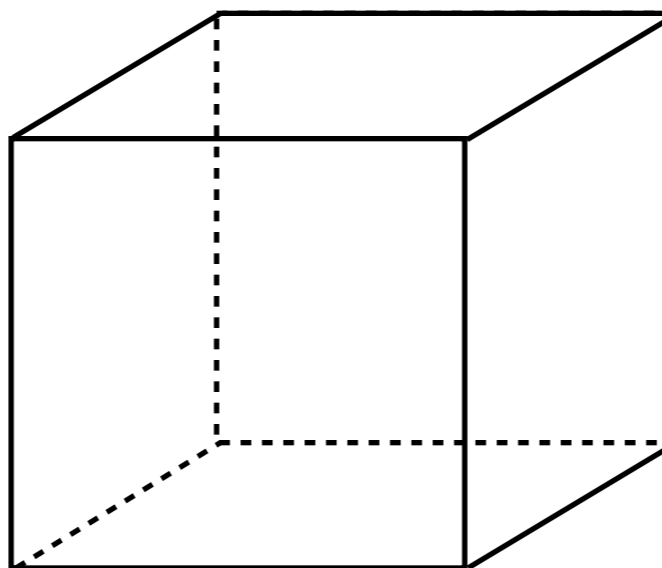
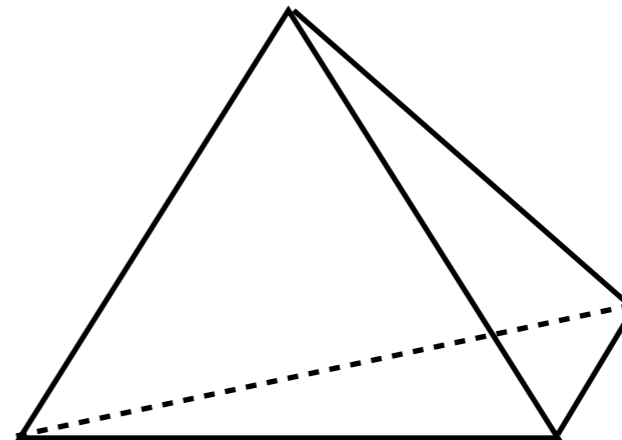
I/N expansion

II

genus expansion

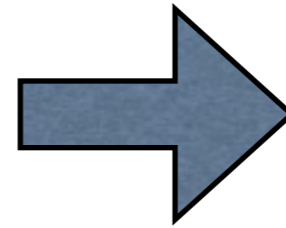


two-sphere ( $g=0$ )



$$S = \frac{N}{4\lambda} \int d^4x \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu}^2$$

(U(N) gauge group)

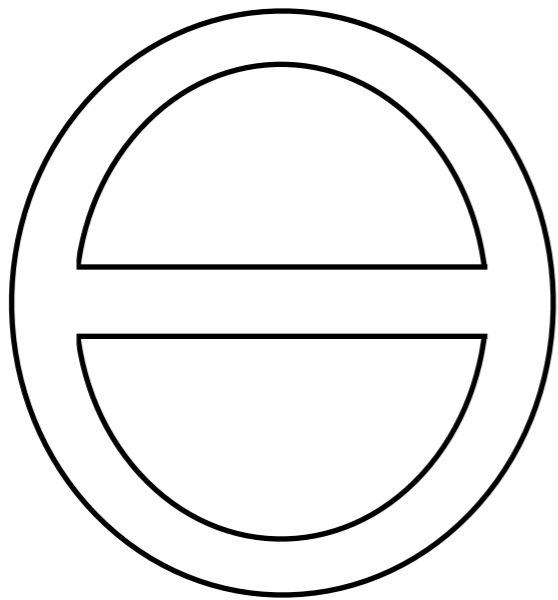


vertex  $\sim N$

index loop  $\sim N$

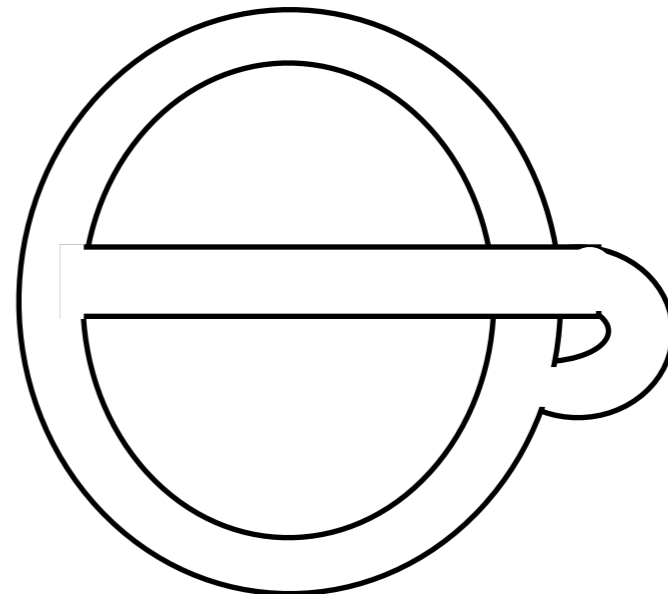
propagator  $\sim 1/N$

planar diagram

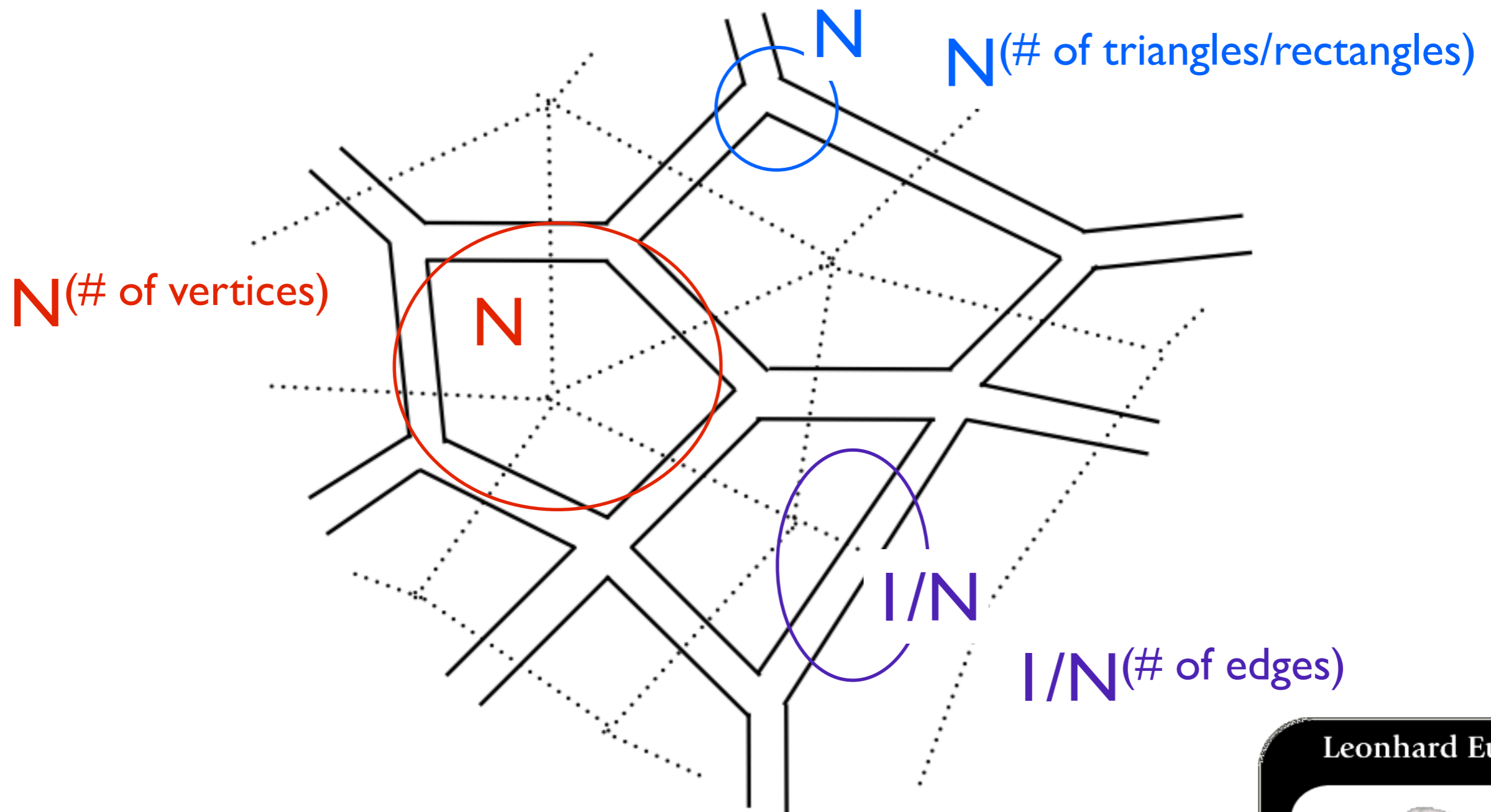


$$N^2 \times N^{-3} \times N^3 = N^2$$

nonplanar diagram  
(genus one)



$$N^2 \times N^{-3} \times N^1 = N^0$$



$N$  (# of vertices)

$\times 1/N$  (# of edges)

$\times N$  (# of triangles/rectangles)

$$= N^{\chi}$$

Leonhard Euler

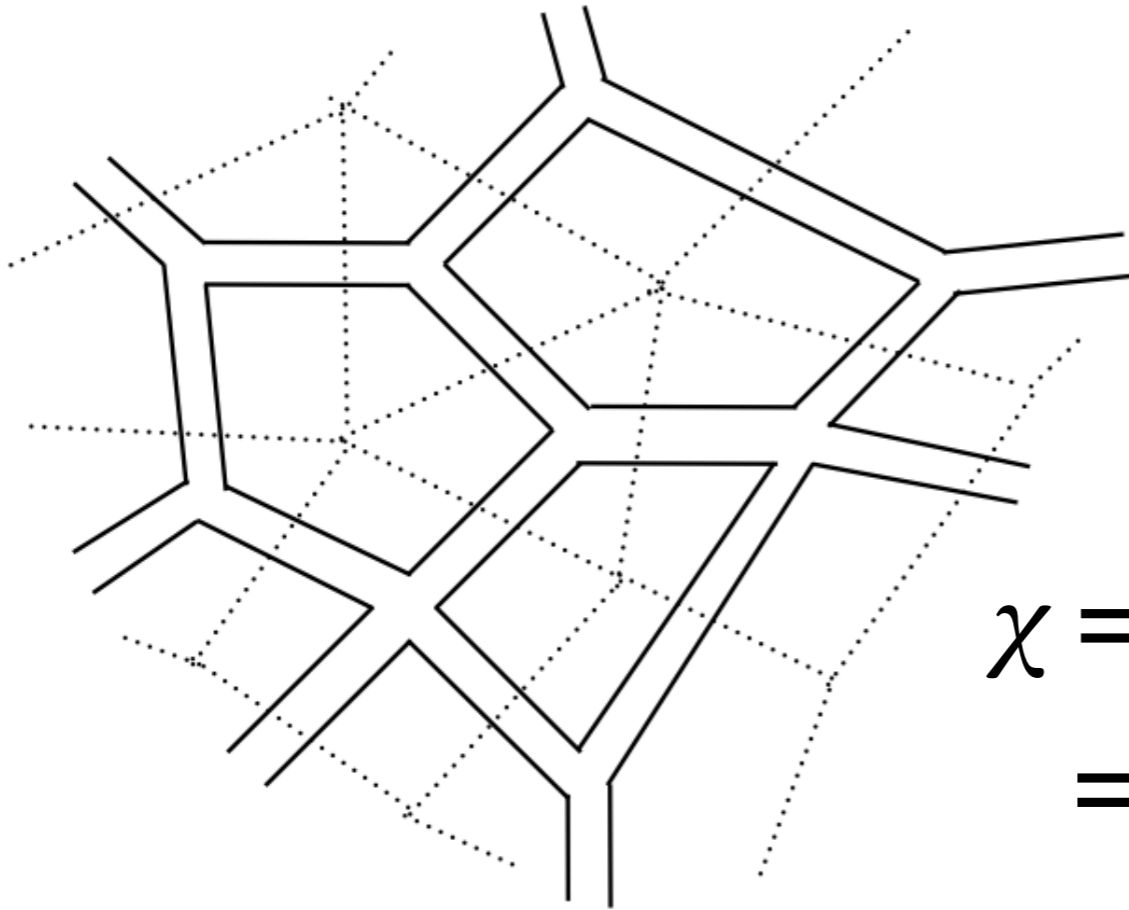


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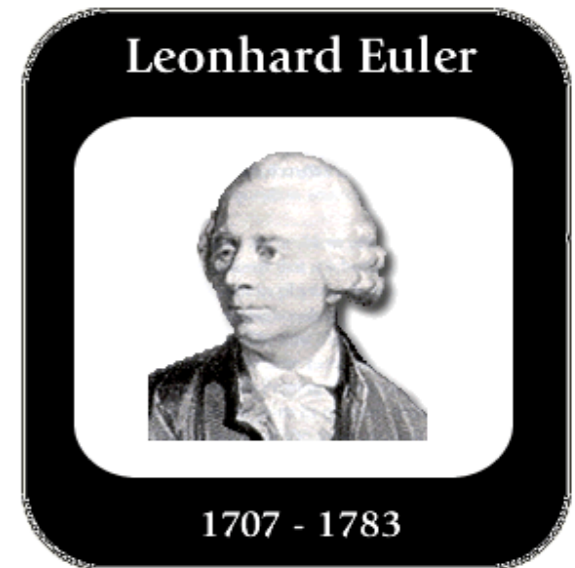
vertex  $\sim N \sim$  triangle/rectangle

index loop  $\sim N \sim$  vertex

propagator  $\sim 1/N \sim$  edges



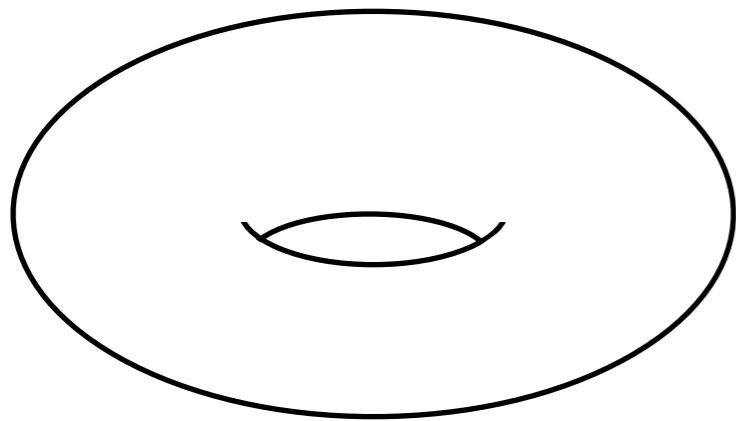
$$\sim N^{\chi}$$



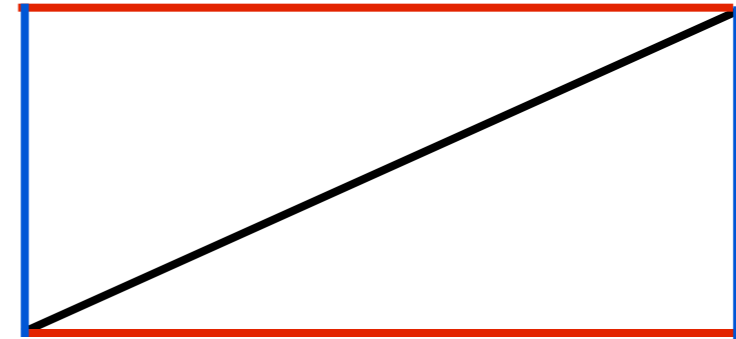
$\chi$  = Euler number

= (# vertices) - (# propagators)  
+ (# index loops)

= (# triangles/quadrangles)  
- (# edges) + (# vertices)



torus



triangulation of torus

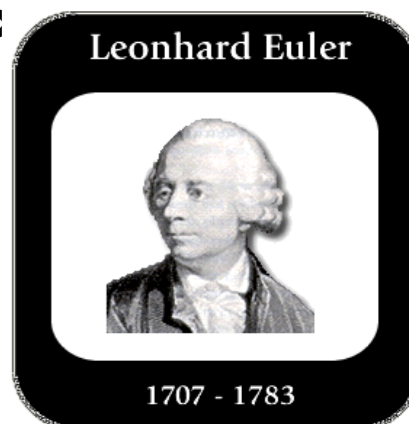
## Euler number

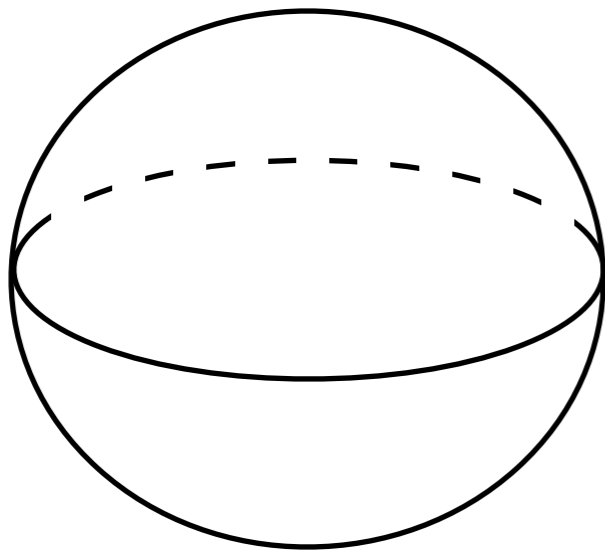
$$\chi = (\# \text{triangles}) - (\# \text{edges}) + (\# \text{vertices}) = 2 - 3 + 1 = 0$$

more generally,

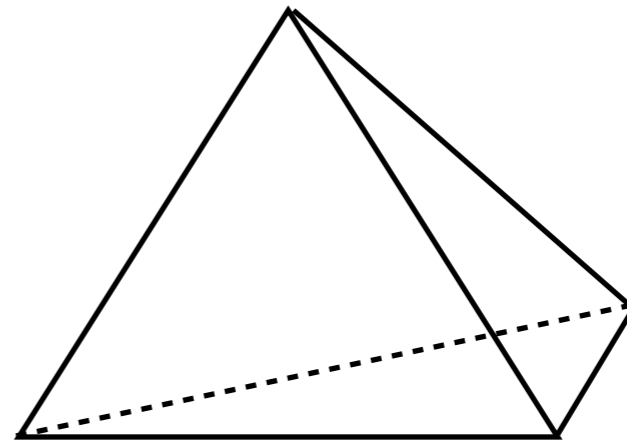
$$\chi = (\# \text{triangles}) - (\# \text{edges}) + (\# \text{vertices}) = 2 - 2g$$

where  $g = (\# \text{genus})$





two-sphere ( $g=0$ )

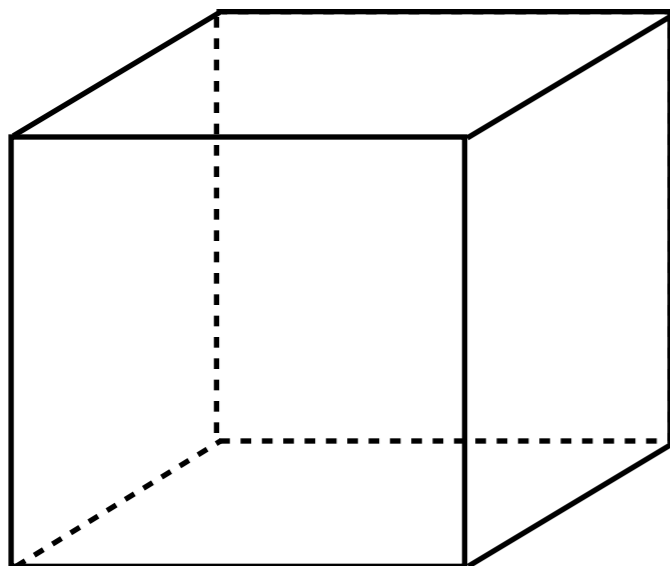


4 triangles

6 edges

4 vertices

$$4 - 6 + 4 = 2 = 2 - 2g$$



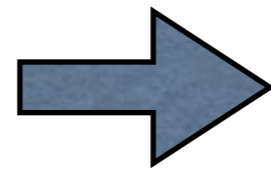
6 squares

12 edges

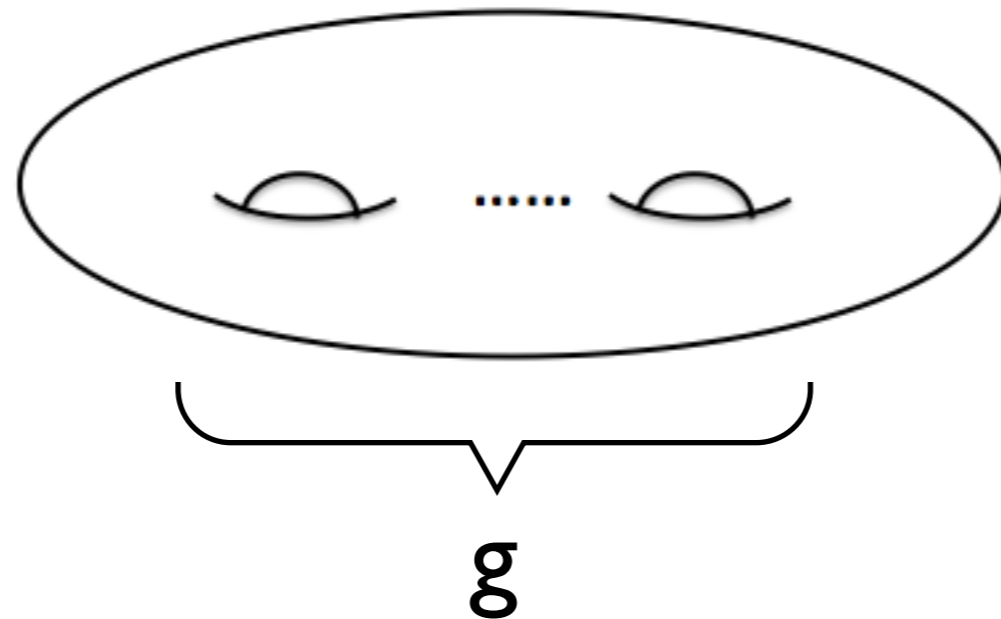
8 vertices

$$6 - 12 + 8 = 2 = 2 - 2g$$

genus- $g$  diagram = diagram which can be drawn  
on genus- $g$  surface



$g$  closed string loops



$$(1/N)^{2g-2} = g_s^{2g-2}$$

$$1/N = g_s$$

Yang-Mills gives *nonperturbative* formulation of string theory.

large- $N$  limit is free string theory.

# Lattice gauge theory description at strong coupling

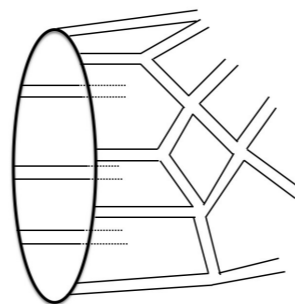
Understand it by using the Hamiltonian formulation  
of lattice gauge theory (Kogut-Susskind, 1974)

$$H = \frac{\lambda N}{2} \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N^2} (E_{\mu, \vec{x}}^{\alpha})^2 + \frac{N}{\lambda} \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\mu < \nu} \left( N - \text{Tr}(U_{\mu, \vec{x}} U_{\nu, \vec{x} + \hat{\mu}} U_{\mu, \vec{x} + \hat{\nu}}^{\dagger} U_{\nu, \vec{x}}^{\dagger}) \right)$$

$$[E_{\mu, \vec{x}}^{\alpha}, U_{\nu, \vec{y}}] = \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{\vec{x}\vec{y}} \cdot \tau^{\alpha} U_{\nu, \vec{y}}$$

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{N^2} \tau_{ij}^{\alpha} \tau_{kl}^{\alpha} = \frac{\delta_{il} \delta_{jk}}{N^2}$$

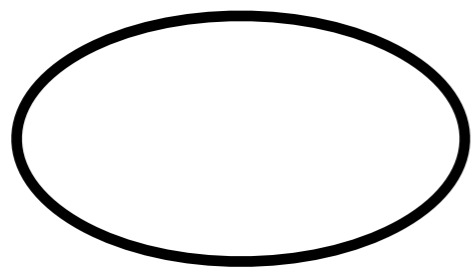
Hilbert space is expressed by  
Wilson loops.  
(closed string)



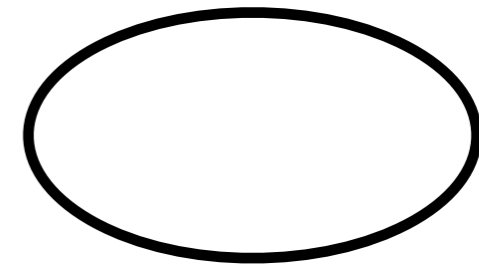
strong coupling limit

$$H = \frac{N}{2} \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N^2} (E_{\mu, \vec{x}}^{\alpha})^2$$

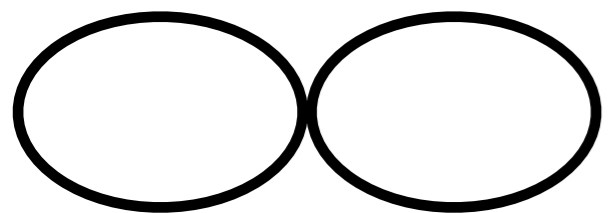
( $\lambda=1$  for simplicity)



$$\frac{L}{2}$$



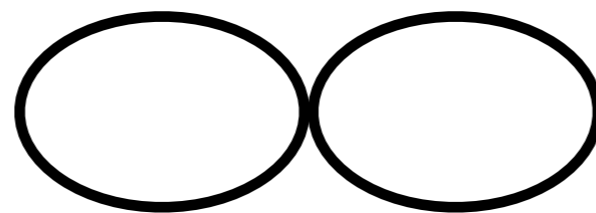
$L = \text{length of string}$



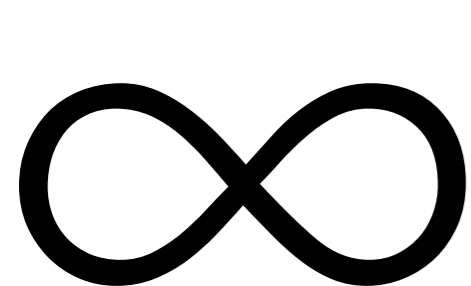
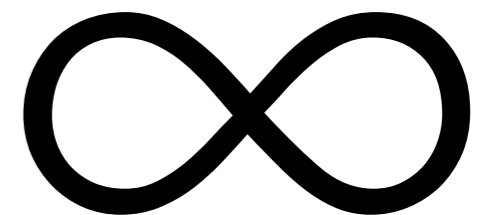
2 strings



$$\frac{L}{2}$$



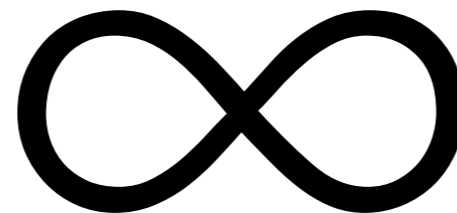
$$+ \frac{1}{N}$$



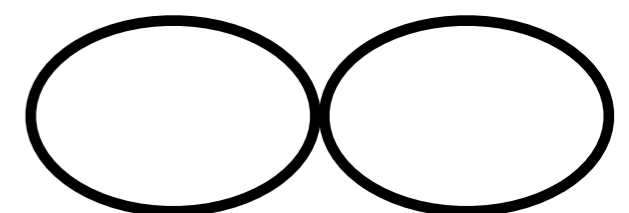
1 string



$$\frac{L}{2}$$



$$+ \frac{1}{N}$$



$$W_C = \text{Tr}(U_{\mu, \vec{x}} M_C)$$

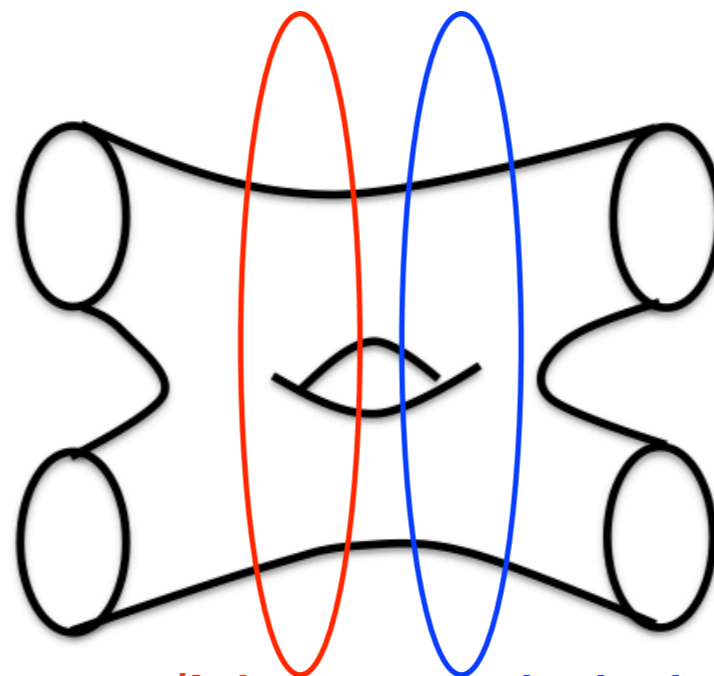
$$W_{C'} = \text{Tr}(U_{\mu, \vec{x}} M_{C'})$$

$$H|W_C, W_{C'}\rangle$$

$$= \frac{\lambda(L + L')}{2} |W_C, W_{C'}\rangle$$

$$+ \lambda N \sum_{\alpha} \text{Tr}(\tau^{\alpha} U_{\mu, \vec{x}} M_C) \cdot \text{Tr}(\tau^{\alpha} U_{\mu, \vec{x}} M_{C'}) |0\rangle$$

$$= \frac{\lambda(L + L')}{2} |W_C, W_{C'}\rangle + \frac{\lambda}{N} \text{Tr}(U_{\mu, \vec{x}} M_C U_{\mu, \vec{x}} M_{C'}) |0\rangle$$

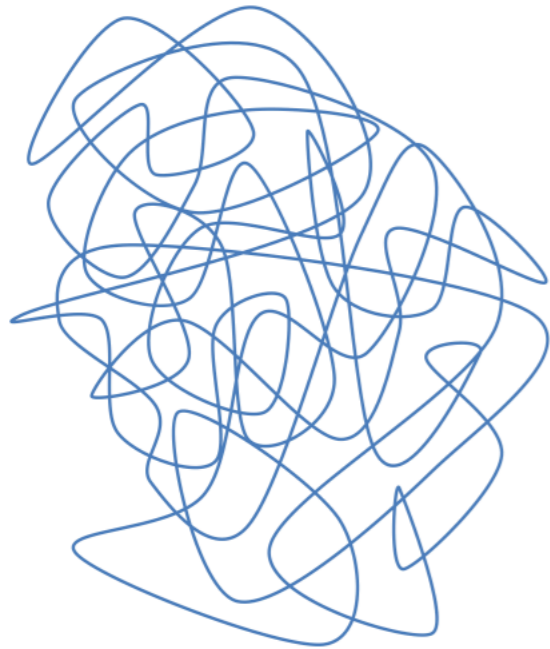


splitting  $\sim 1/N$

joining  $\sim 1/N$

# D-dim square lattice at strong coupling

deconfining phase = long string

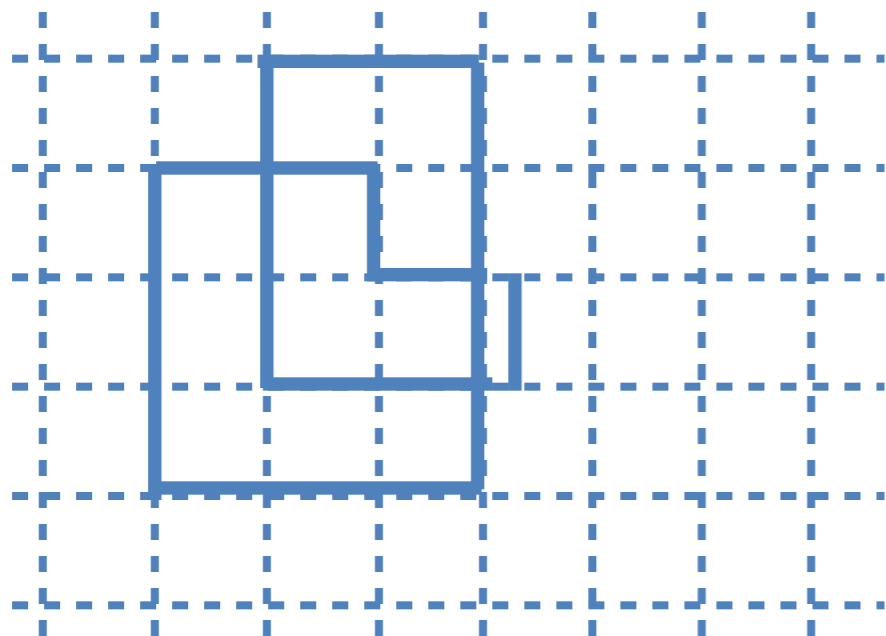


huge mass and entropy are packed  
in a small region  $\rightarrow$  BH

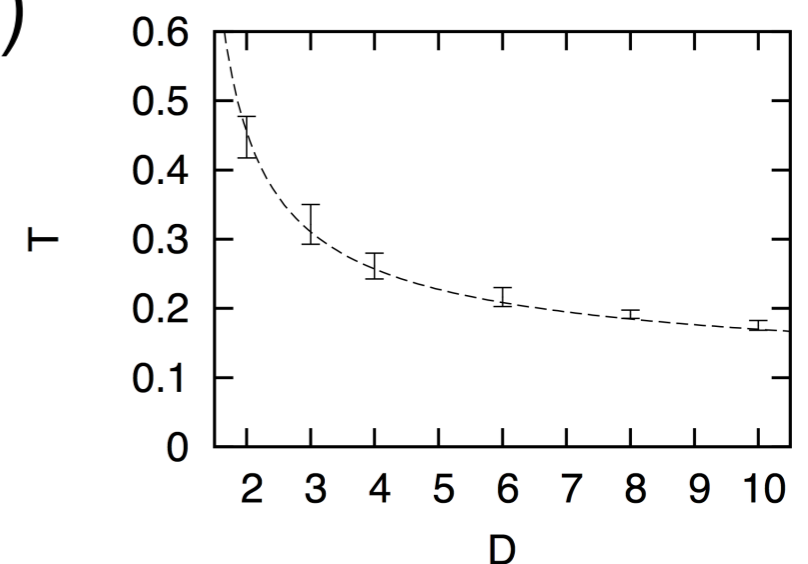
$$E = L(T)/2, S = L(T) \times \log(2D-1)$$

$$F = E - TS = L(T) \times (1/2 - T \times \log(2D-1))$$

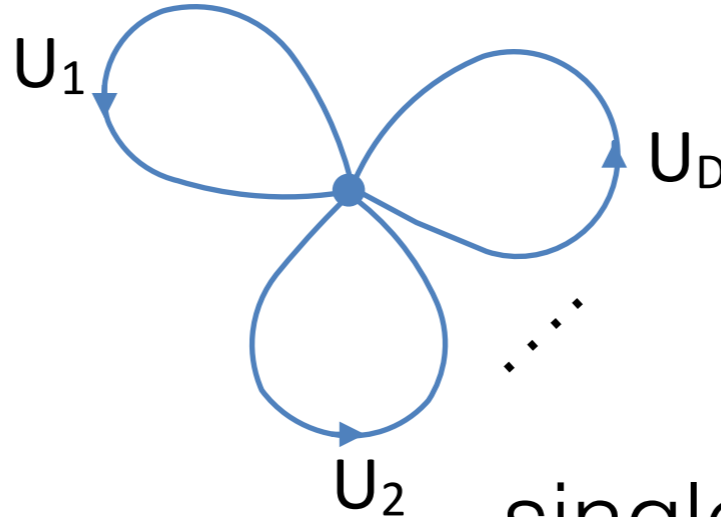
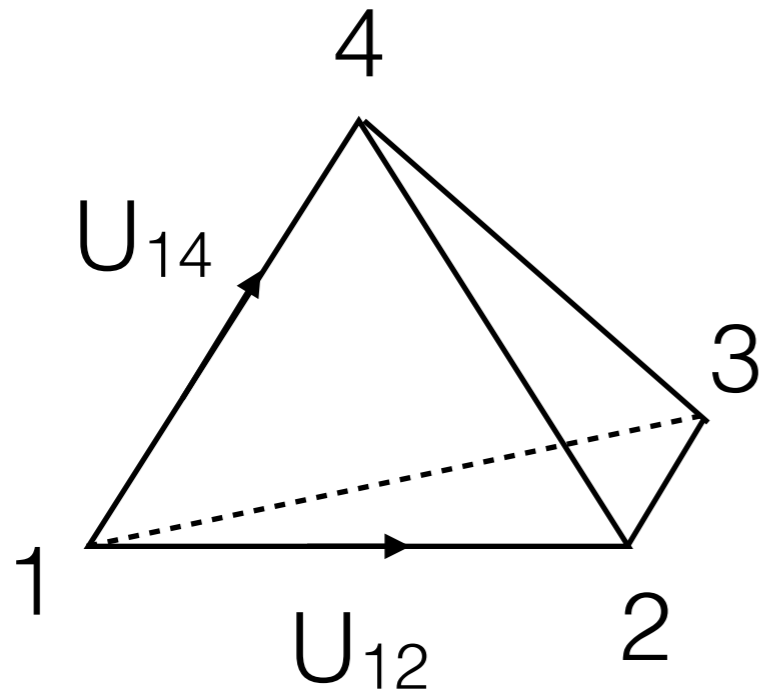
$$L \sim N^2$$



$$T_c = \frac{1}{2 \log(2D-1)}$$



# matrix models at strong coupling

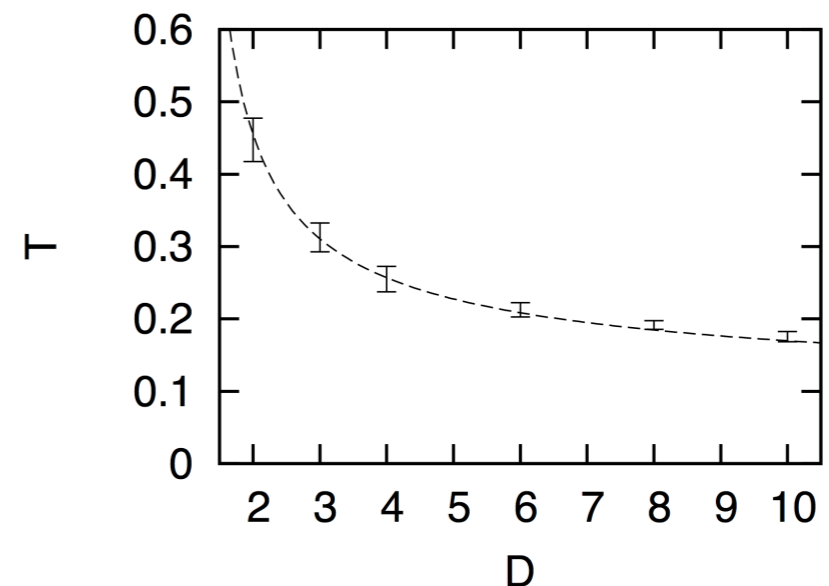
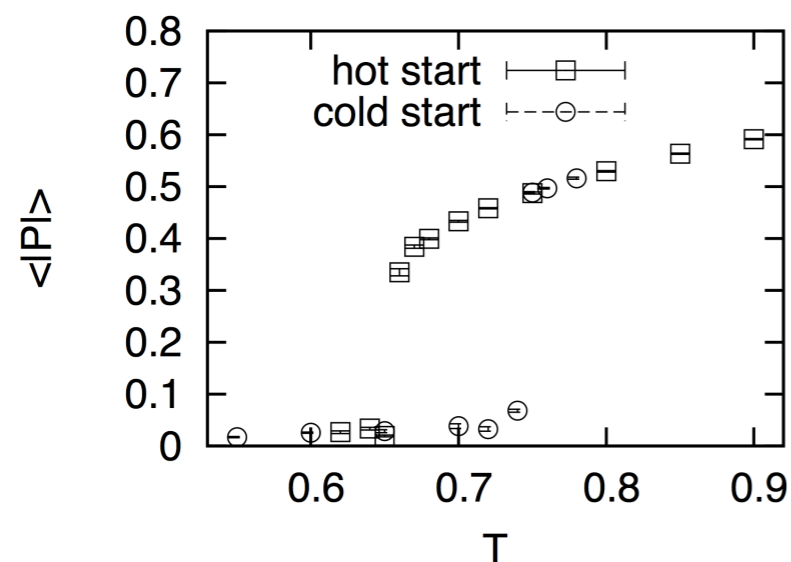


$$T_c = \frac{1}{2\log(2D-1)}$$

single-site with D-links  
(Eguchi-Kawai model)

tetrahedron  $T_c = \frac{1}{2\log 2} = 0.72\dots$

(Equivalent to large-volume lattice  
via Eguchi-Kawai equivalence)



# Why $L \sim N^2$ ?

- $\text{Tr}(UU'U''\dots)$   
length  $\gtrsim N^2 \rightarrow$  factorizes to shorter traces

$N^2$  is the upper bound.  
Beyond there, the counting changes;  
not much gain for the entropy.