

# Light meson correlation functions near the deconfining transition on anisotropic lattices

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## Introduction I

QCD at high density and high temperature

$\implies$  Quark-Gluon Plasma phase

- deconfinement
- chiral symmetry restoration

### Study of QGP

- NJL model Hatsuda&Kunihiro(1994)  
soft mode : fluctuation of  $\langle q\bar{q} \rangle \rightarrow \pi \rho$  mode
- DeTar's conjecture DeTar(1985)  
confining feature for scale  $\geq 1/g^2 T$
- QCD sum rule Hatsuda,Koike and Lee (1993)

fundamental degree of freedom

quark & gluon  $\iff$  hadron

$\implies$  Non-perturbative treatment of QCD

Lattice QCD at  $T > 0$

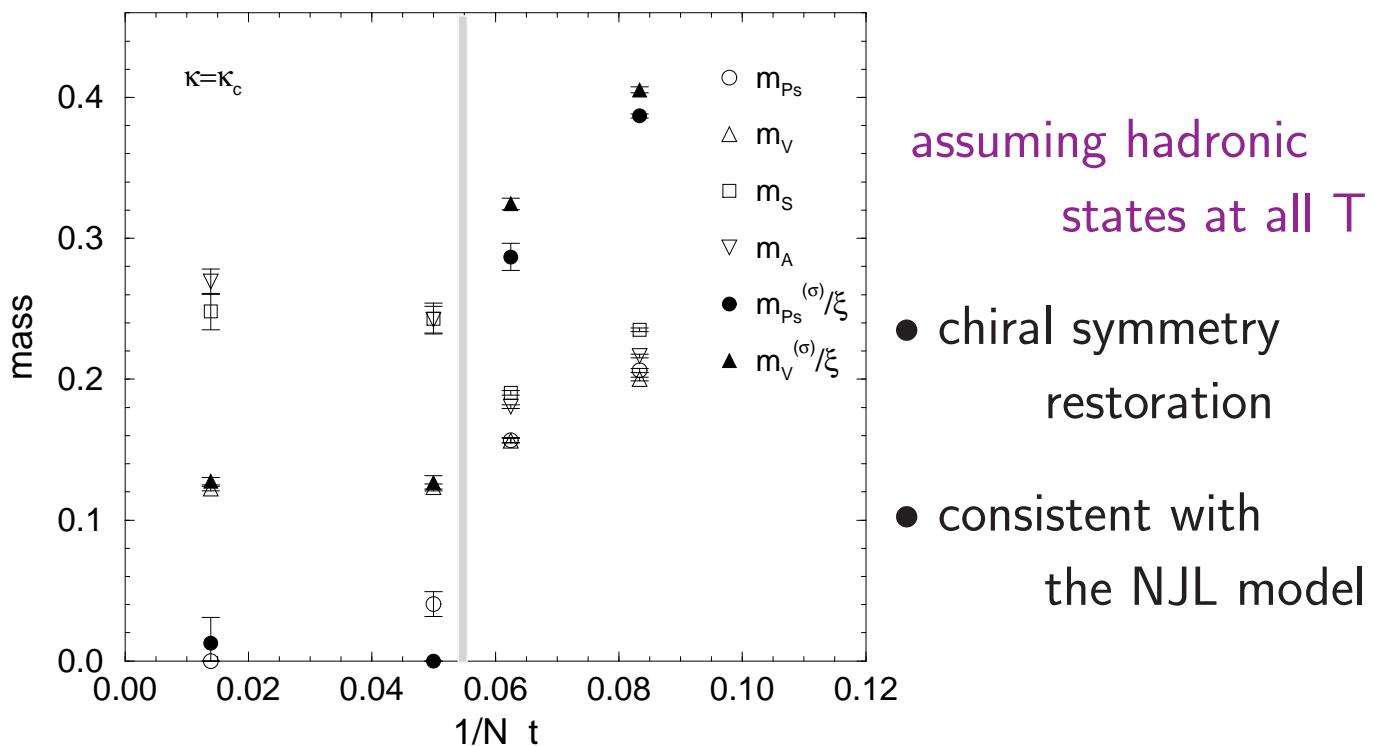
## Introduction II

- Screening mass at  $T > 0$

DeTar and Kogut Phys. Rev. Lett. 59(1987)399  
 Born et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 67 (1991) 302  
 S.Gupta Phys. Lett. B 288 (1992) 171

- Temporal meson correlator at  $T > 0$

QCD-TARO Phys. Rev. D63 (2001) 054501



⇒ Thermal effects for hadronic states  
 below & above  $T_c$  ?

We study a spectral function  
 of light mesons at  $T > 0$

## Our approach I

Temporal correlators in lattice simulations

$$C(t) = \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle O(\vec{x}, t) O^\dagger(0) \rangle \quad [O(\vec{x}, t) : \text{meson op.}]$$

⇒ Spectral function  $A(\omega)$

Abrikosov et al. Sov. Phys. J. 36 (1959) 636

$$C(t) = \int d\omega K(t, \omega) A(\omega) \quad K(t, \omega) = \frac{e^{-\omega t} + e^{-\omega(N_t-t)}}{1 - e^{-N_t\omega}}$$

- Anisotropic lattice

- Our analysis procedure

We use the method applied in a study of charmonium

Umeda et al., hep-lat/0211003 ⇒ 8 page.

- Maximum entropy method (MEM) ⇒ 6 page.
  - no assumption for the form of  $A(\omega)$
- Fit with ansatz for spectral function
  - Constrained curve fitting ⇒ 7 page.
  - need information on the form of  $A(\omega)$
  - with given form  $A(\omega)$ , more quantitative
- smearing operator  
enhancement of low frequency modes

## Our approach II

- Reliability check for an analysis at  $T > 0$

- (1) Check of the stability;

- stability against changes of input parameters  
or model functions

- (2) Check with  $T=0$  correlators;

- stability against restriction of d.o.f. used in analysis

(We use the data at  $T = 0.9T_c$  for the latter check,  
but it should be done with the data at  $T = 0$ .)

- Validity of smeared correlators

- possibility of an artificial peak

- I.Wetzorke et al., Nucl.Phys.B(PS)106(2002)513

- $\implies$  check with various smearing functions

## Maximum Entropy Method (MEM)

### Reconstruction of a spectral function with Maximum Entropy Method

Y. Nakahara, et al., *Phys. Rev. D60* (1999) 091503

$$C(\tau) = \int d\omega K(\tau, \omega) A(\omega)$$

kernel :

$$K(t, \omega) = \frac{e^{-\omega t} + e^{-\omega(N_t - t)}}{1 - e^{-N_t \omega}}$$

Standard  $\chi^2$ -fit  $\longrightarrow$  ill-posed problem

$\implies$  MEM ( based on Bayes' theorem )

Maximization of  $Q = \alpha S - L$

$$S = \int d\omega \left[ A(\omega) - m(\omega) - A(\omega) \ln \frac{A(\omega)}{m(\omega)} \right]$$

$m(\omega) = m_0 \omega^2$  : model function

$\alpha$  : constant  $\rightarrow$  to be integrated out

$L$  : Likelihood function ( $\chi^2$ -term)

## Constrained Curve Fit (CCF)

A simple modification of standard  $\chi^2$  fitting  
based on the Bayesian statistics

G.Lepage et al., Nucl. Phys.B(PS)106(2002)12

$$\chi^2 \rightarrow \chi_{arg}^2 \equiv \chi^2 + \chi_{prior}^2$$

where

$$\chi_{prior}^2 \equiv \sum_i \frac{(c_i - \tilde{c}_i)^2}{\tilde{\sigma}_{c_i}^2}$$

$c_i$  : fit parameters,

$\tilde{c}_i$ ,  $\tilde{\sigma}_{c_i}$  : input parameters as prior knowledge

- many parameters fitting become stable
- bias from the input parameters  
 $\implies$  MEM results are suitable for prior knowledge

### Function form

We suppose the shape of spectral function.

(MEM gives rough estimate of shape of spectral function.)

- Breit-Wigner (BW) type :

$$\rho(\omega) = \frac{C\Gamma m}{(\omega^2 - m^2)^2 - \Gamma^2 m^2}$$

$$A(\omega) = \omega^2 \rho(\omega)$$

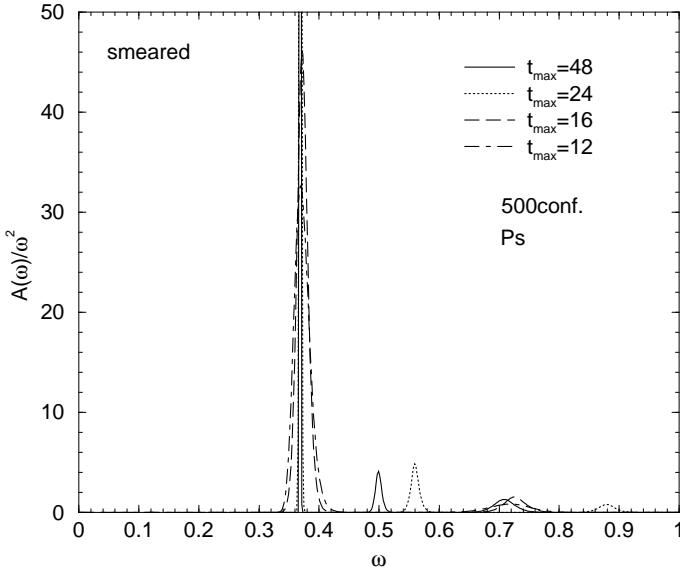
$C$  : overlap,  $m$  : mass,  $\Gamma$  : width

$\implies$  We apply multi-BW fits  
and confirm number of terms ( $N_{term}$ ) dependences.

## Previous study for the charmonium

Smeared operators + MEM & Fit analysis

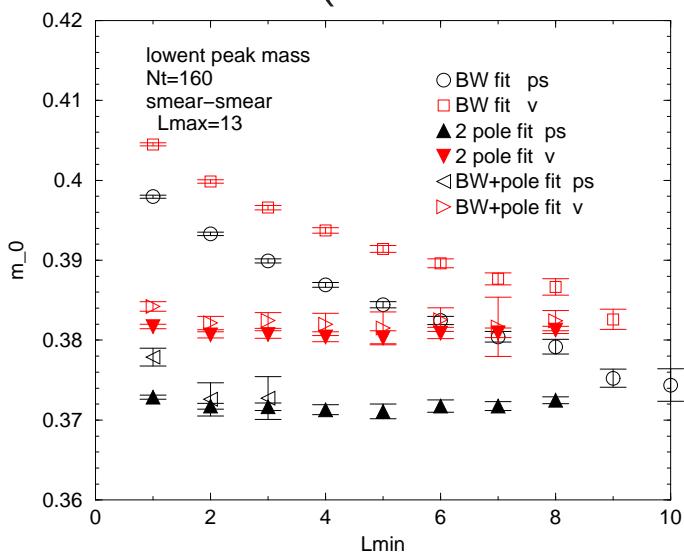
MEM at T=0 (No assumption)



For the lowest peak

- peak position  
⇒ consistent with that of point correlator
- width  
⇒ sensitive to a model function

Fit at T=0 (based on MEM results)



For the lowest peak

- peak position is consistent with that of point correlator
- width consistent with zero

Our analysis procedure satisfies the stability conditions and are applied to  $T > 0$  systems.

$\Rightarrow T \simeq 0.9T_c$  : almost same results as T=0

$T \simeq 1.1T_c$  : almost same peak position and finite width

## Lattice setup

Quark action:

$$S_F = \sum_{x,y} \bar{\psi}(x) K(x,y) \psi(y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} K(x,y) = & \delta_{x,y} - \kappa_t \left[ (1 - \gamma_4) U_4(x) \delta_{x+\hat{4},y} + (1 + \gamma_4) U_4^\dagger(x - \hat{4}) \delta_{x-\hat{4},y} \right] \\ & - \kappa_s \sum_i \left[ (r - \gamma_i) U_i(x) \delta_{x+\hat{i},y} + (r + \gamma_i) U_i^\dagger(x - \hat{i}) \delta_{x-\hat{i},y} \right] \\ & - \kappa_s c_E \sum_i \sigma_{4i} F_{4i}(x) \delta_{x,y} + r \kappa_s c_B \sum_{i>j} \sigma_{ij} F_{ij}(x) \delta_{x,y} \end{aligned}$$

T. Umeda et al., Int. J. Mod. Phys. A 16 (2001) 2215

J. Harada et al., Phys. Rev. D 64 (2001) 074501

- Constructed following the Fermilab approach.

*El-Khadra et al., Phys. Rev. D 55 (1997) 3933*

- $r = 1/\xi$  (action retains explicit Lorentz invariant form)  
(cf. another choice  $r = 1$  was adopted in several works.)
- Tadpole improvement:  $c_E = 1/u_s^2 u_t$ ,  $c_B = 1/u_s^3$   
 $u_s$ ,  $u_t$ : mean-field values of link variables
- Parameters varied in simulations:  $(\kappa, \gamma_F)$

$$\gamma_F \equiv \frac{\kappa_t u_t}{\kappa_s u_s}, \quad \frac{1}{\kappa} = \frac{1}{\kappa_s u_s} - 2(\gamma_F + 3r - 4) \quad (= 2(m_0 \gamma_F + 4))$$

$\gamma_F$ : bare anisotropy parameter

$m_0$ : bare quark mass (in temporal lattice units)

## Simulation parameters

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Gauge parameters:

- Anisotropic plaquette action in quenched approximation
- $(\beta, \gamma_G) = (6.10, 3.2108)$ 
  - $\xi = a_s/a_t = 4$   
*Klassen, Nucl. Phys. B 533 (1998) 557*
  - $a_s^{-1} = 2.030(13)$  GeV  
Scale is set by hadronic radius  $r_0$
- Size :  $20^3 \times N_t$

$N_t$	$T/T_c$	$N_{conf} \times N_{source}$	smearing function
160	$\sim 0$	$500 \times 4$	point
32	$\sim 0.9$	$1000 \times 16$	point, half-smeared,smeared
26	$\sim 1.1$	$1000 \times 16$	point, smeared

Quark parameters :

- $O(a)$  improved Wilson quark action
  - $(\kappa, \gamma_F) = (0.1235, 4.034)$ 
    - roughly correspond to strange quark mass
- H. Matsufuru et al., Phys. Rev. D 64 (2001) 114503*

ground state & 1st excited state mass  $m_0$  &  $m_1$  in  $a_t$  units

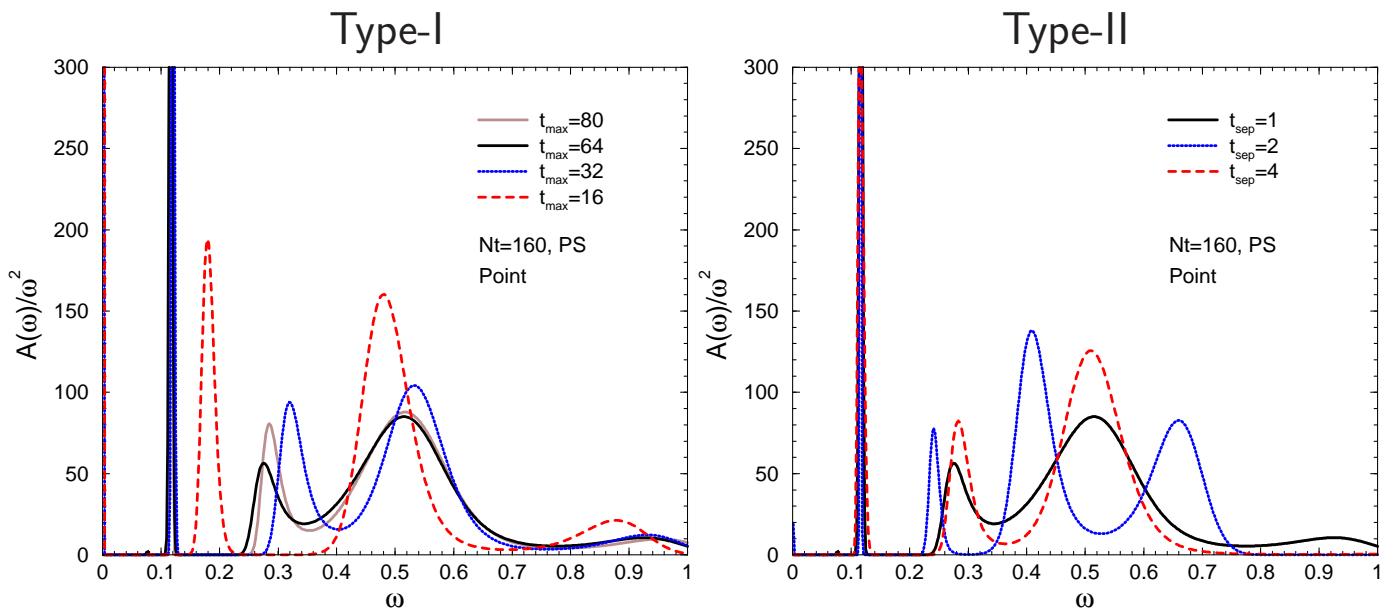
$$m_0(\text{PS}) = 0.1160(3), \quad m_1(\text{PS}) \sim 0.27$$

$$m_0(\text{V}) = 0.1489(7), \quad m_1(\text{V}) \sim 0.29$$

## Numerical results

### □ Point-Point correlators

	$t_{min}$	$t_{max}$	$t_{sep}$	$N_{DF}$
Type-I	1	80	1	80
	1	64	1	64
	1	32	1	32
	1	16	1	16
Type-II	1	64	1	64
	2	64	2	32
	3	64	4	16



- $t_{max} \simeq 16$  is not acceptable
  - lowest peaks are well reproduced at  $t_{sep} = 4$  ( $N_{DF} = 16$ )
  - $t_{max}a_t$  of the order of 1 fm is necessary
- ⇒ This requirement can not be fulfilled at  $T > 0$ .

## Smeared correlators

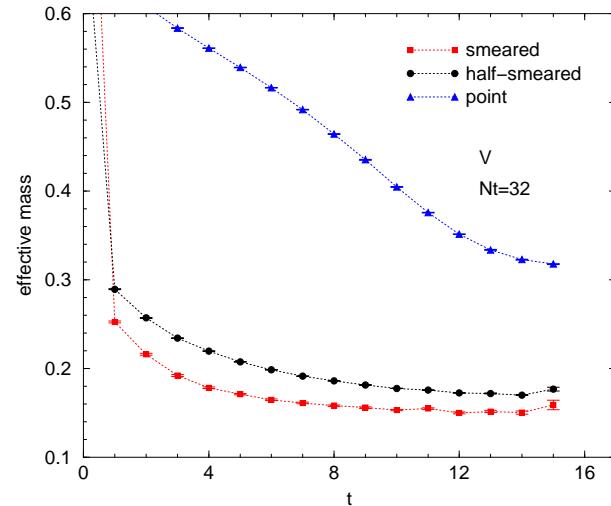
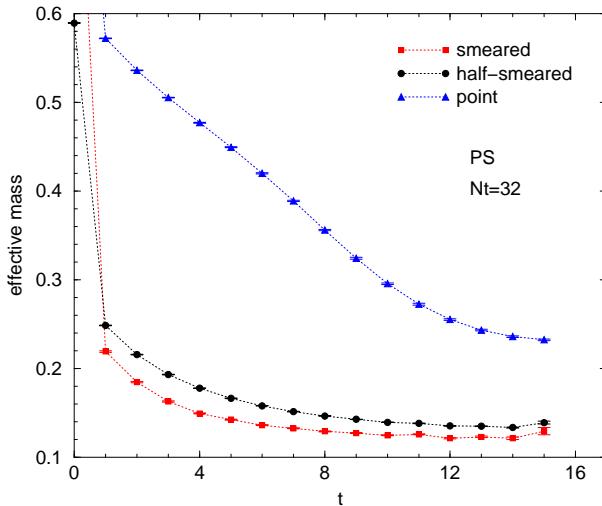
□ Smeared-Smeared correlators

enhancement of low frequency modes

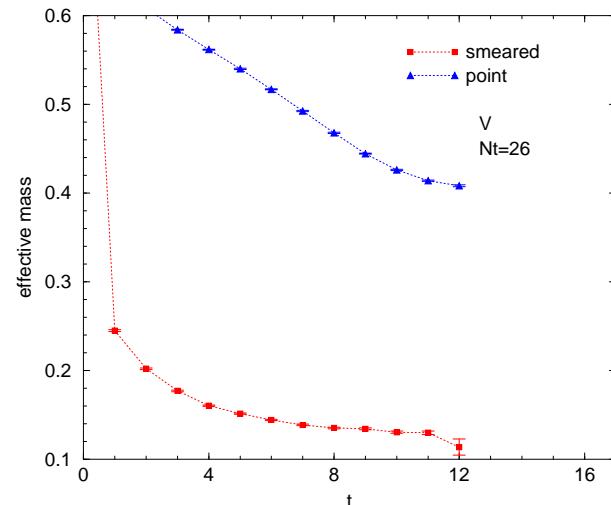
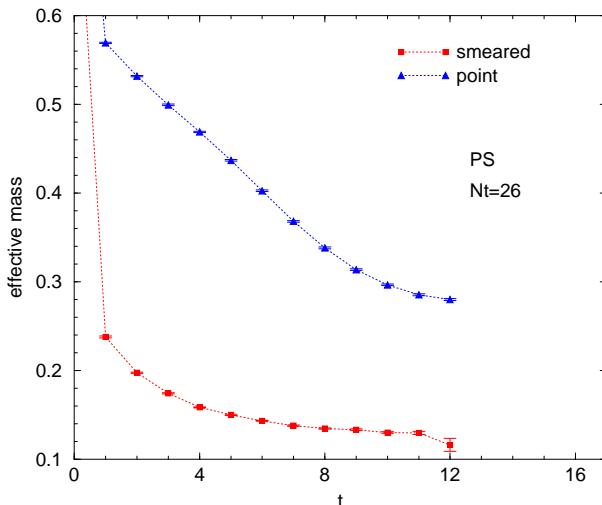
⇒ efficient to extract the spectral function

□ Effective mass plot of the correlators

$Nt=32$  ( $T \simeq 0.9T_c$ )

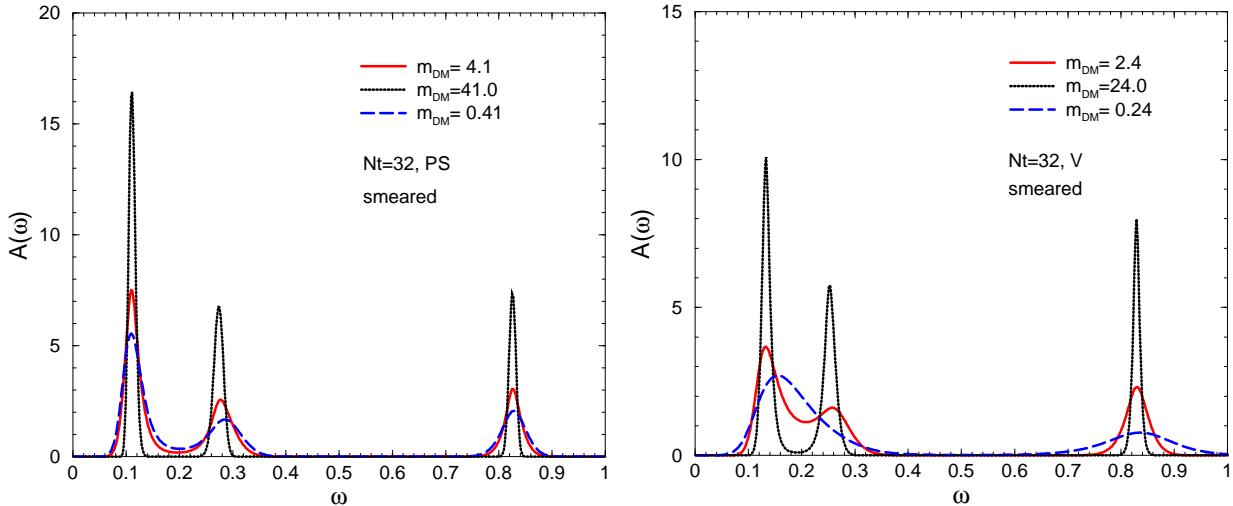


$Nt=26$  ( $T \simeq 1.1T_c$ )

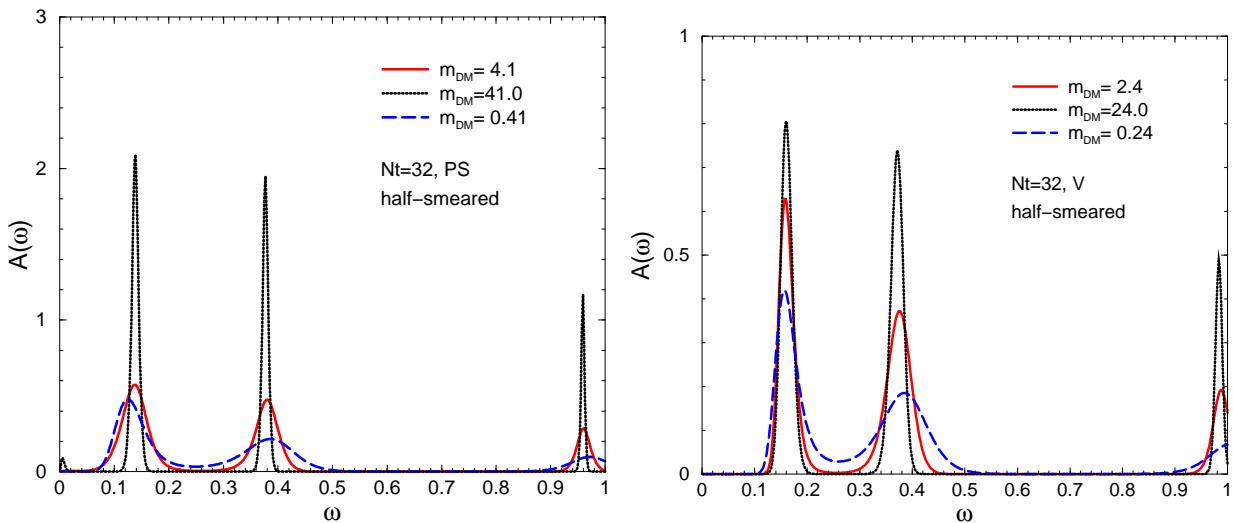


## MEM analysis at $T = 0.9T_c$

$Nt=32$  ( $T \simeq 0.9T_c$ ) : smeared



$Nt=32$  ( $T \simeq 0.9T_c$ ) : half-smeared

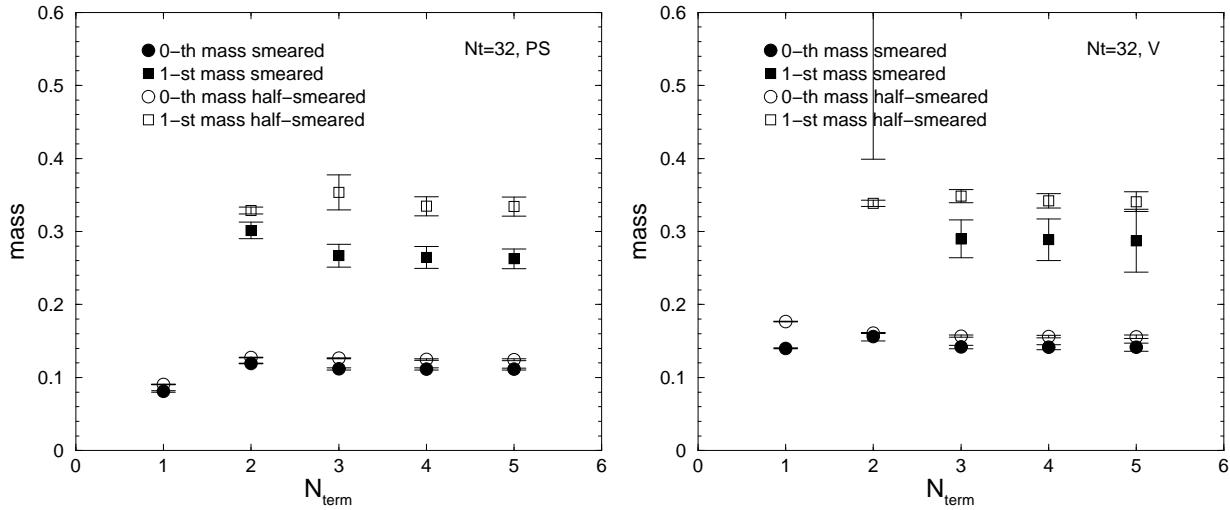


- most cases indicate pole-like structure
- lower masses are consistent with  $T=0$  in smeared cases
- masses are slightly different from  $T=0$  in half-smeared case
- width significantly depends on the model function

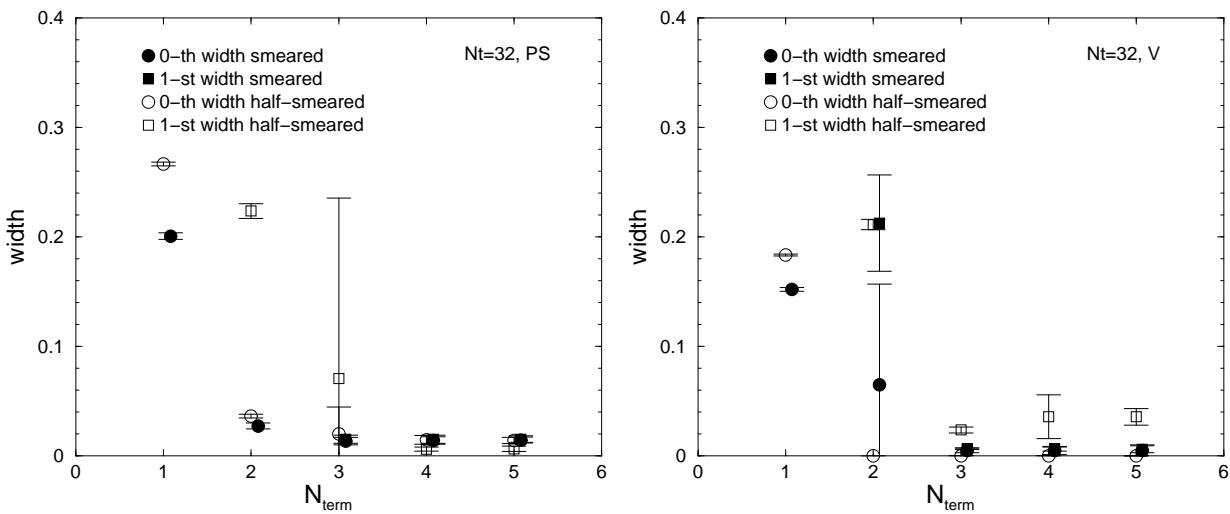
## Fit analysis at $T = 0.9T_c$

- input parameters are chosen based on the results of MEM

$Nt=32$  ( $T \simeq 0.9T_c$ ) : ground state & 1st excited state mass



$Nt=32$  ( $T \simeq 0.9T_c$ ) : ground state & 1st excited state width



- fit parameters become stable as  $N_{term}$  increases
- differences between smeared and half-smeared are beyond statistical error
- result is largely dependent on the input parameters  
⇒ systematic error is larger than statistical one

## Discussion

- Reliability check of our procedure

(1) Check of the stability;

— stability against changes of input parameters  
or model functions —

MEM and CCF results largely depends on input parameters or model functions.

- MEM can work only for rough estimation of SFs
  - Systematic error of CCF results is larger than statistical error
- ⇒ The results of smeared and half-smeared may be consistent.

(2) Check with  $T=0$  correlators;

—stability against restriction of d.o.f. used in analysis—

(Here we suppose

the system at  $T = 0.9T_c$  is similar to that at  $T=0$ )

Results with smeared operators are consistent with the results at  $T=0$ .

⇒ need more checks at  $T=0$

## Summary

- Light quark systems are analyzed with the method used in the study of charmonium.  
(Smeared operator + MEM&Fit analysis)
- We discuss the reliability conditions as a necessary condition of analysis method.
- We apply the reliability check to our analysis procedure.

## Outlook

- reliability check with smeared correlators at  $T=0$
- improvement of smearing functions
- application to systems at  $T > c$
- calculations with dynamical quarks