

Heavy quarks at $T>0$ and thermal dileptons

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- 1) Quantum statistical mechanics, scalar and fermion fields at $T>0$, high temperature QCD, color screening and quarkonium suppression
- 2) Meson correlation functions for $T>0$, spectral functions, thermal dileptons
- 3) Static quark correlation functions at $T>0$, effective field theory approach, potential models for quarkonium spectral functions

Path integral formulation of quantum statistical mechanics

Transition amplitude in QM and its path integral representation

$$F(q', t'; q, t) = \langle q' | e^{-i\hat{H}(t'-t)} | q \rangle$$

$t \rightarrow -i\tau, t' \rightarrow -i\tau'$ (imaginary time)

$$F(q' - i\tau'; q, -i\tau) = \langle q' | e^{-\hat{H}(\tau'-\tau)} | q \rangle$$

$$\hat{H} = \frac{1}{2}p^2 + V(q)$$

$$F(q, -i\tau'; q, -i\tau) = \int \mathcal{D}q \exp \left[- \int_{\tau}^{\tau'} d\tau'' \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{q}^2(\tau'') + V(q(\tau'')) \right) \right]$$
$$q(\tau) = q, \quad q(\tau') = q'$$

Partition function in statistical mechanics:

$$Z(\beta) = \text{Tr} e^{-\beta\hat{H}}, \quad \beta = 1/T$$

$$Z(\beta) = \sum e^{-\beta E_n}, \quad \hat{H}|n\rangle = E_n|n\rangle$$

$$Z(\beta) = \int dq \langle q | e^{-\beta \hat{H}} | q \rangle$$

$$Z(\beta) = \int dq F(q, -i\beta; q, 0)$$

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$$Z(\beta) = \int \mathcal{D}q(\tau) \exp \left[- \int_0^\beta d\tau \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{q}^2(\tau) + V(q(\tau)) \right) \right] = \int \mathcal{D}q(\tau) e^{-S_E(\beta)},$$

$$q(\beta) = q(0)$$

Euclidean action $S_E(\beta) = \int_0^\beta d\tau \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{q}^2(\tau) + V(q(\tau)) \right)$

We can also calculate the generating functional

$$Z(\beta; j) = \int \mathcal{D}q \exp \left[-S_E(\beta) + \int_0^\beta j(\tau) q(\tau) d\tau \right]$$

$$\Delta(\tau_1, \tau_2) = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} \frac{\delta^2 Z(\beta; j)}{\delta j(\tau_1) \delta j(\tau_2)} \Big|_{j=0} = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} \int \mathcal{D}q q(\tau_1) q(\tau_2) e^{-S_E(\beta)}$$

Correlation function in real and imaginary time in the operator formalism:

$$\hat{q}(-i\tau) = e^{\hat{H}\tau} \hat{q} e^{-\hat{H}\tau}$$

$$\hat{q}(t) = e^{i\hat{H}t} \hat{q} e^{-i\hat{H}t}$$

$$\Delta(\tau_1, \tau_2) = \langle T \hat{q}(-i\tau_1) \hat{q}(-i\tau_2) \rangle_\beta = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} \text{Tr} [T \hat{q}(-i\tau_1) \hat{q}(-i\tau_2)]$$

$$\Delta(\tau) = \Delta(\tau, 0) = \Delta(\tau - \beta)$$

$$D^>(t, t') = \langle \hat{q}(t) \hat{q}(t') \rangle_\beta$$

$$D^<(t, t') = \langle \hat{q}(t') \hat{q}(t) \rangle_\beta$$

$$D_R(t, t') = \langle \theta(t - t') [\hat{q}(t), \hat{q}(t')] \rangle_\beta$$

$$e^{-\beta\hat{H}} \hat{q}(t) e^{\beta\hat{H}} = \hat{q}(t + i\beta) \Rightarrow D^>(t, t') = D^<(t + i\beta, t')$$

Kubo-Martin-Schwinger (KMS) condition

$$\Delta(\tau) = D^>(-i\tau, 0)$$

Different correlation functions $\Delta(\tau)$, $D^>(t)$, $D^<(t)$ and $D_R(t)$ are related to the spectral function $\sigma(k_0)$

$$D^>(k_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{ik_0 t} D^>(t)$$

$$D^<(k_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{ik_0 t} D^<(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{ik_0 t} D^>(t - i\beta) = e^{-\beta k_0} D^>(k_0)$$

$$\sigma(k_0) = \frac{D^>(k_0) - D^<(k_0)}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} D_R(k_0)$$

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$$D^>(k_0) = (1 + f(k_0))\sigma(k_0), \quad f(k_0) = (e^{-\beta k_0} - 1)^{-1}$$

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$$\Delta(\tau) = \int_0^{\infty} dk_0 \sigma(k_0) \frac{\cosh(k_0 \cdot (\tau - \beta/2))}{\sinh(\beta k_0/2)}$$

$$\sigma(k_0) = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} \sum_{n,m} e^{-\beta E_n} [\delta(k_0 + E_n - E_m) - \delta(k_0 + E_m - E_n)] |\langle n | \hat{q} | m \rangle|^2$$

$$\sigma(k_0) = -\sigma(-k_0), \quad \text{sgn}(k_0)\sigma(k_0) > 0$$

Thermodynamics of scalar field theory

Straightforward generalization to infinite number of degrees of freedom $q(t) \rightarrow \phi_x(t) \equiv \phi(t, x)$

$$L = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\phi)(\partial^\mu\phi) - \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4!}\phi^4$$

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$$S_E(\beta) = \int_0^\beta d\tau \int d^3x \left(\frac{1}{2}(\partial_\tau\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_i\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4!}\phi^4 \right)$$

$$Z(\beta; j) = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \exp(-S_E(\beta) + \int_0^\beta d\tau \int d^3x j(\tau, x)\phi(\tau, x))$$

$$\phi(0, x) = \phi(\beta, x)$$

Free field limit ($\lambda = 0$):

$$Z(\beta; j) = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \exp \left[- \int d^4x_E \frac{1}{2}\phi(-\partial_\tau^2 - \nabla^2 + m^2)\phi + \int_0^\beta d^4x_E j(x_E)\phi(x_E) \right]$$

$$x_E = (\tau, x)$$

Gaussian integration:

$$Z_0(\beta; j) = Z(\beta) \exp \left[\int_0^\beta d^4 x_E dy_E j(x_E) \Delta_0(x_E - y_E) j(y_E) \right]$$

$$Z(\beta) = (\det \Delta_0)^{1/2} = \text{Tr} \ln \Delta_0$$

$$[-\partial_\tau^2 - \nabla^2 + m^2] \Delta_0(x_E - y_E) = \delta(\tau_x - \tau_y) \delta(x - y)$$

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$$(\omega_n^2 + k^2 + m^2) \Delta_0(i\omega_n, k) = (\omega_n^2 + \omega_k^2) \Delta_0(i\omega_n, k) = 1$$

$$\omega_n = 2\pi T n, \quad \omega_k^2 = k^2 + m^2$$

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$$\Delta_0(i\omega_n, k) = \frac{1}{\omega_n^2 + \omega_k^2} \quad \text{-Matsubara propagator}$$

Mixed (Saclay) representation:

$$\Delta_0(\tau, k) = T \sum_n e^{-i\omega_n \tau} \Delta_0(i\omega_n, k)$$

$$[-\partial_\tau^2 + \omega_k^2] \Delta_0(\tau, k) = \delta(\tau_x - \tau_y), \quad \Delta_0(\tau - \beta) = \Delta(\tau)$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta_0(\tau) = \frac{1}{2\omega_k} ((1 + f(\omega_k)) e^{-\omega_k \tau} + f(\omega_k) e^{\omega_k \tau}), \quad f(\omega_k) = (e^{\beta \omega_k} + 1)^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\ln Z(\beta) &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \ln \Delta_0 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_k \ln \beta^2 \Delta(i\omega_n, k) = \\
&= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} V \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \beta^2 [\omega_n^2 + \omega_k^2] = \\
\sum_n \frac{d}{d\omega_k^2} \ln[\omega_n^2 + \omega_k^2] &= \sum_n \frac{1}{\omega_n^2 + \omega_k^2} = \beta \Delta_0(\tau = 0, k) = \frac{\beta}{2\omega_k} (1 + 2f(\omega_k)) \\
&\Downarrow \\
\sum_n \ln \beta^2 (\omega_n^2 + \omega_k^2) &= \beta\omega + 2 \ln(1 + e^{-\beta\omega_k}) + \text{const} \\
\ln Z(\beta) &= -V \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\frac{1}{2} \beta\omega_k + \ln(1 - e^{-\beta\omega_k}) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$F(T, V) = T \ln Z(\beta), \quad p = -\partial F(T, V) / \partial V, \quad S = -\frac{\partial F(T, V)}{\partial T}, \quad U = F - TS$$

Massless case ($m = 0 \rightarrow \omega_k = k$):

$$p = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\frac{1}{2} k + T \ln(1 - e^{-\beta k}) \right] = \frac{\pi^2 T^4}{90}$$

$$\epsilon(T) = U(T, V) / V = 3p, \quad s(T) = S(T, V) / V = 4/3 \epsilon(T)$$

Dirac fields at finite temperature

Free Dirac Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \int d^3x \psi^\dagger \gamma_0 (-i\boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \nabla + m) \psi(x)$$

$$\hat{Q} = \int d^3x \psi^\dagger \gamma^0 \psi \text{ -conserved charge}$$

Canonical and grand canonical partition functions

$$Z_{can} = \text{Tr} e^{-\beta \hat{H}}, \quad Z = \text{Tr} e^{-\beta \hat{H} + \mu \hat{Q}}$$

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}(\psi_\alpha^*, \psi_\alpha) \exp \left(- \int_0^\beta d\tau [\psi_\alpha (\partial_\tau - \mu) \psi_\alpha + H(\psi_\alpha^*, \psi_\alpha)] \right)$$

fermion fields anticommute $\Rightarrow \psi_\alpha(\beta) = -\psi_\alpha(0)$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_n = (2n + 1)\pi T, n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2 \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \text{Tr} \ln \left[-i\beta \left((-i\omega_n + \mu) - \boldsymbol{\gamma}^0 \boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \boldsymbol{k} - m\boldsymbol{\gamma}_0 \right) \right] \\ &= 2 \sum_n \sum_k \ln \left[\beta^2 \left(\omega_n + i\mu \right)^2 + \omega_k^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$2V \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\beta \omega_k + \ln(1 + e^{-\beta(\omega_k - \mu)}) + \ln(1 + e^{-\beta(\omega_k + \mu)}) \right]$$

Gauge fields at finite temperature

$$Z(\beta) = \int \mathcal{D}(A_\mu^a, \eta_b, \eta_c) \exp \left[- \int_0^\beta d^4x_E \mathcal{L}_{eff}(x) \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff}(x) = \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a(x) F_{\mu\nu}^a(x) + \frac{1}{2\xi} (\partial_\mu A_\mu^a)^2 + \bar{\eta}_a(x) \left[\partial^2 \delta_{ab} + f_{abc} A_\mu^c \partial_\mu \right] \eta_b(x)$$

$$A_\mu(0, x) = A_\mu(\beta, x), \quad \eta_a(0, x) = \eta_a(\beta, x)$$

$$\ln Z(\beta) = -\frac{1}{2} \times 4(N_c^2 - 1) \sum_n \sum_k \ln[\beta^2(\omega_n^2 + k^2)] +$$

4 gluons

$$\frac{1}{2} \times 2(N_c^2 - 1) \sum_n \sum_k \ln[\beta^2(\omega_n^2 + k^2)]$$

ghosts

$$p(T) = 2(N_c^2 - 1) \frac{\pi^2 T^4}{90}$$

QCD thermodynamics at low and high temperatures

high-T ($T \gg \Lambda$), weak coupling expansion should work due to asymptotic freedom
=> thermodynamics can be described in terms of quarks and gluons => QGP

low-T : hadrons are “good” degrees of freedom and weakly interacting for $T \ll \Lambda$
(use chPT, Gerber, Leutwyler, NPB 321 (89) 387)

The simplest approach : consider gas of non-interacting hadrons
too naïve ? Not necessarily many hadronic interactions dominated by
resonance exchange in the s-channel , e.g. $\pi\pi \rightarrow \rho$

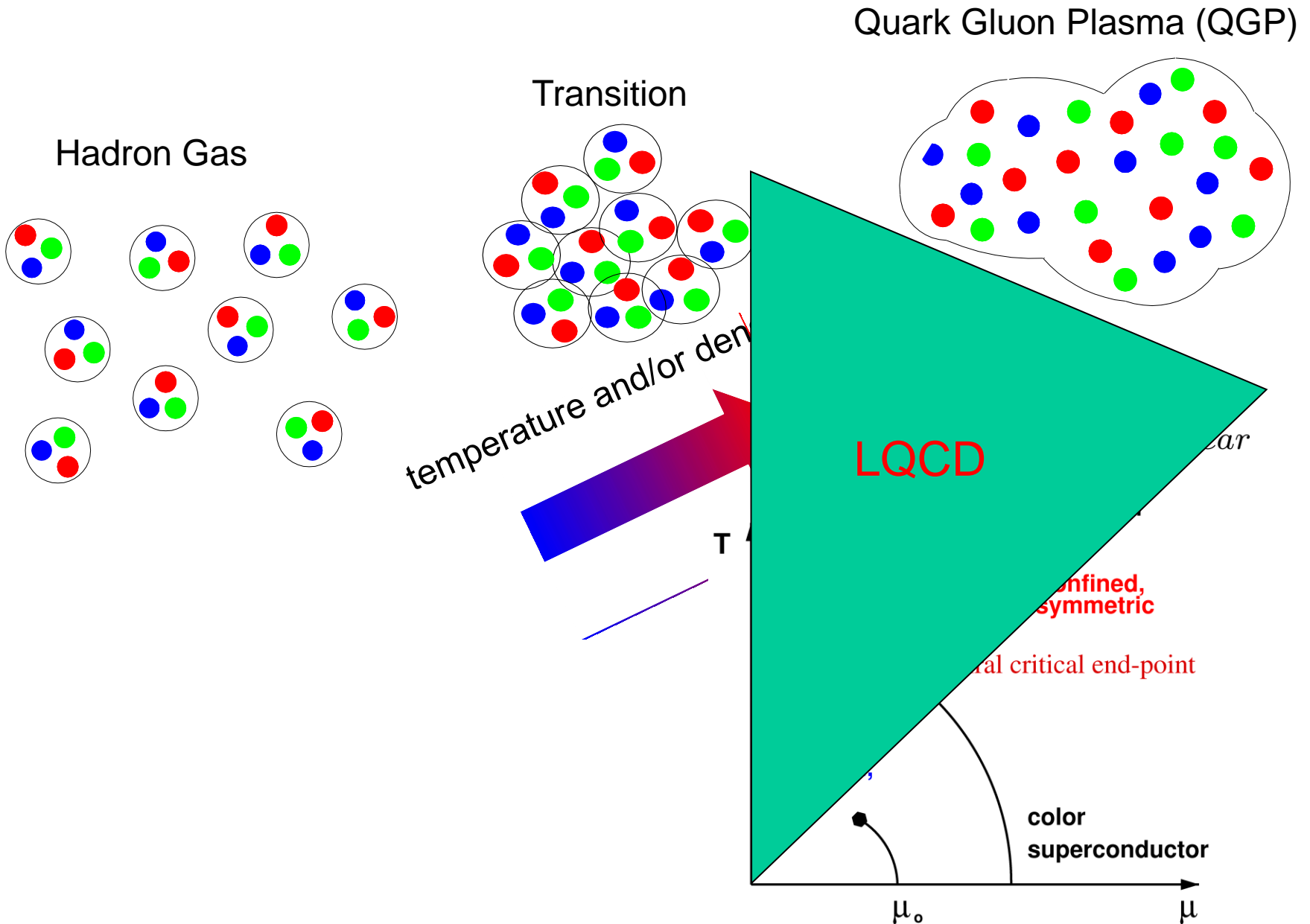
interacting hadron gas \longrightarrow non-interacting resonance gas

Hagedorn, Nuovo Cim. 35 (65) 395

Chapline et al, PRD 8 (73) 4302

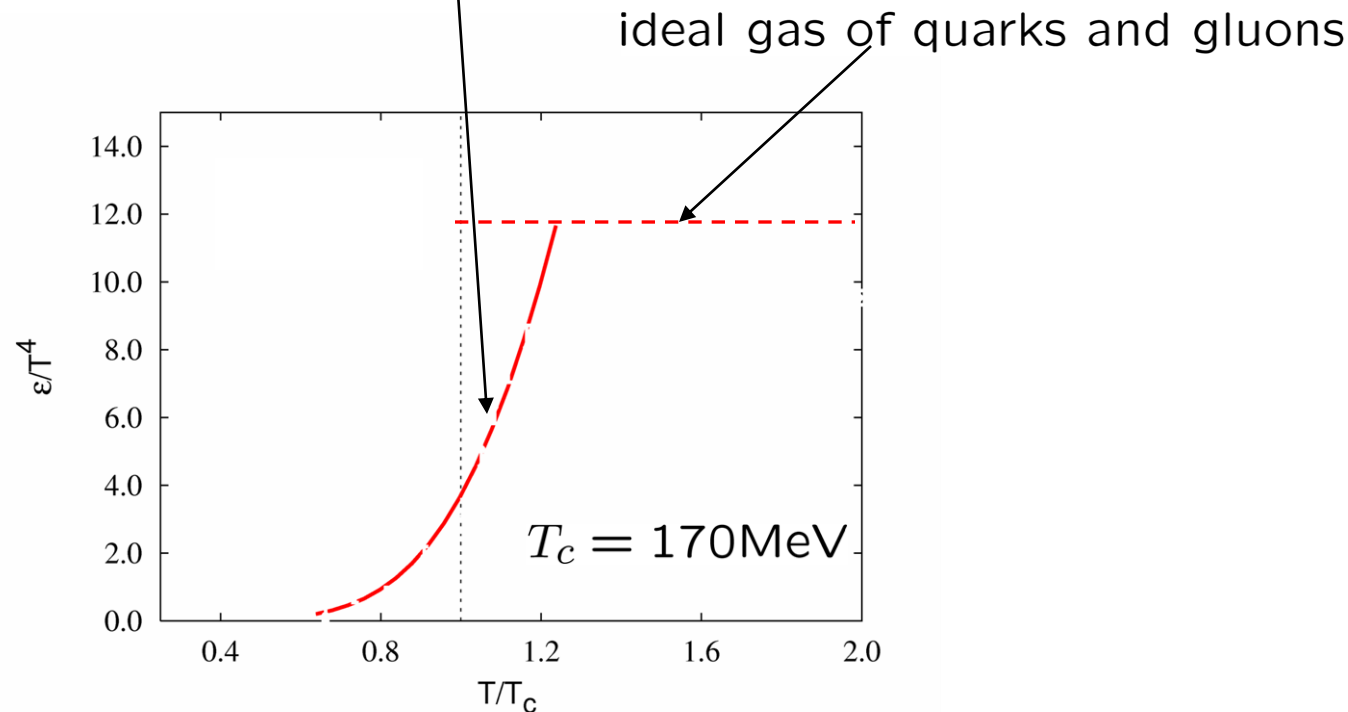
Karsch et al, Eur.Phys.J.C29 (03)549

Deconfinement at high temperature and density



$$\ln Z(T, V) = \sum_i \frac{V d_i}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dk k^2 \eta \ln(1 + \eta e^{-\beta \sqrt{p^2 + m_i^2}})$$

$\eta = -1$ -boson, $\eta = +1$ -fermion Calculate $\ln Z$ using the masses of about 1000 experimentally known non-strange resonances

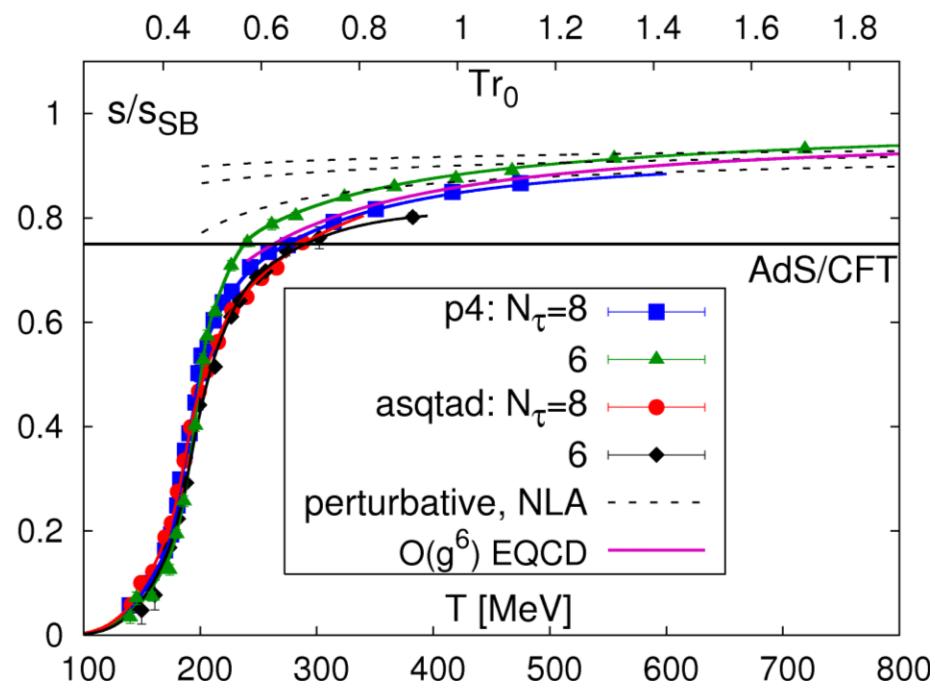
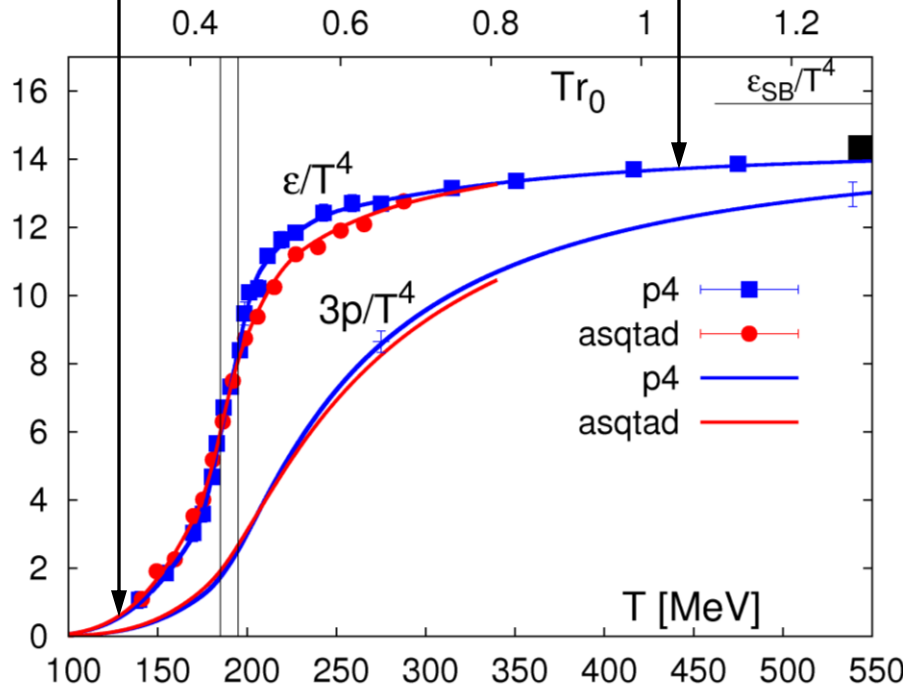


Deconfinement transition : rapid increase of the pressure, energy density, entropy density (liberation of many new degrees of freedom ?) [Cabbibo, Parisi, PLB 59 \(75\) 67](#)

Deconfinement : entropy, pressure and energy density

pion gas = 3 light d.o.f.

free gas of quarks and gluons = 18 quark+18 anti-quarks +16 gluons
=52 mass-less d.o.f

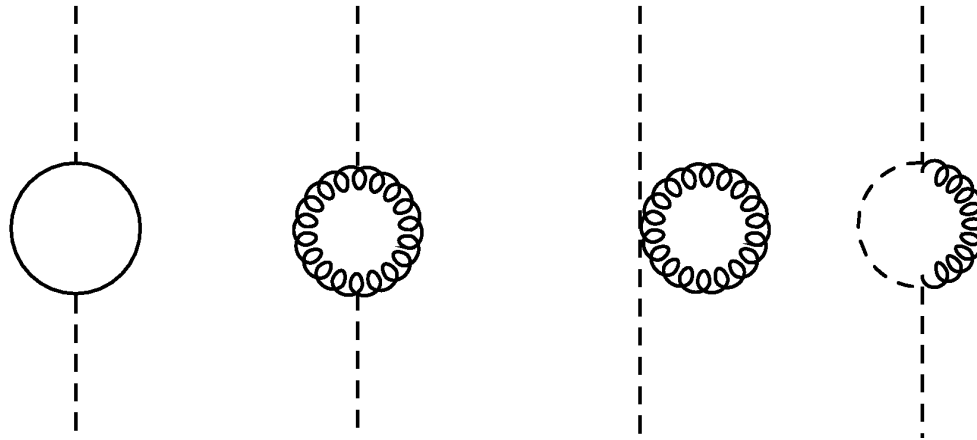


Bazavov et al (HotQCD), PRD 80 (09) 14504

Petreczky, NPA 830 (10) 11c

- rapid change in the number of degrees of freedom at $T=160-200\text{MeV}$: deconfinement
- deviation from ideal gas limit is about 10% at high T consistent with the perturbative result
- no large discretization errors in the pressure and energy density at high T
- no continuum limit yet !

Color screening in perturbation theory



Gluon self energy in the static limit:

$$\Pi_{00}(\omega_n = 0, k \rightarrow 0) = m_D^2 = \left(\frac{N_c}{3} + \frac{N_f}{6}\right)g^2 T^2$$

$$\Pi_{ii}(\omega_n = 0, k \rightarrow 0) = 0$$

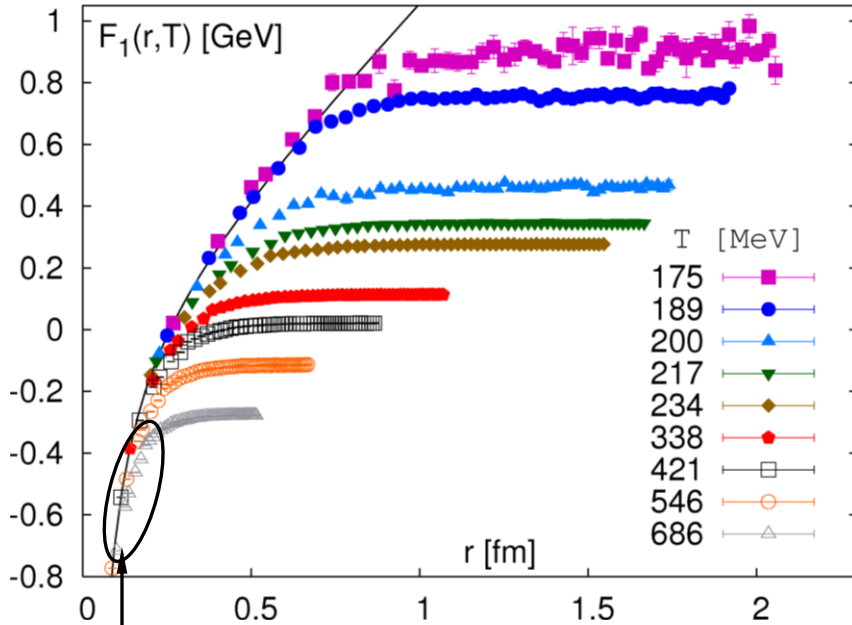
$$V(r) \simeq -\frac{N_c^2 - 1}{2N_c} g^2 \int \frac{d^3x}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}} \frac{1}{k^2 + \Pi_{00}(k)} = -\frac{N_c^2 - 1}{2N_c} \alpha_s \frac{e^{-m_D r}}{r}$$

chromo-electric fields are screened but chromo-magnetic fields are not screened (at least in perturbation theory)

Color screening in lattice QCD

p4 action, (2 + 1) – flavor QCD, $16^3 \times 4$ lattices, $m_\pi \simeq 220$ MeV

P.P., JPG 37 (10) 094009 ; arXiv:1009.5935



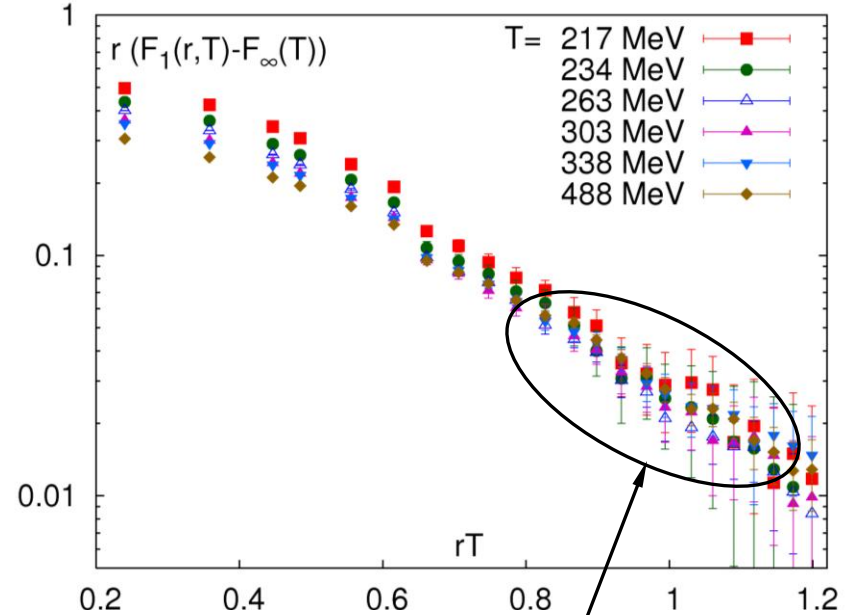
$F_1(r, T)$ T -independent
at short distances

$$F_1(r) = -\frac{4\alpha_s}{3r} \exp(-m_D r) + 2F_Q(T), m_D \sim T$$

Significant temperature dependence of the static quark anti-quark free energy for $r \simeq 0.3 - 0.5$ fm.



charmonium melting @ RHIC Digal, P.P., Satz, PRD 64 (01) 094015



$F_1(r, T)$ scales with T and is
exponentially screened for $r > 0.8/T$

Heavy Quarkonium and QCD

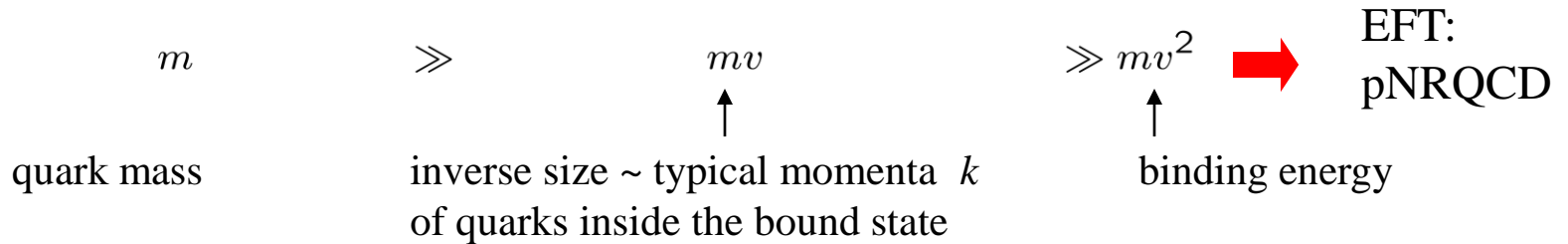
Bound states of heavy quark and anti-quark: $c\bar{c}, b\bar{b}$

$m_c \simeq 1.3\text{GeV}, m_b \simeq 4.5\text{GeV} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \simeq 200\text{MeV}$



non-relativistic treatment

Heavy quark velocity $v \ll 1$ is the small \Rightarrow distinct energy scales :

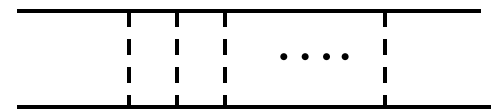
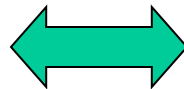


For gluons mediating the interactions $k \gg k_0 \Rightarrow$ interactions can be considered instantaneous

Many gluon exchanges are possible in the bound state \Rightarrow ladder resummation

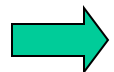
NR reduction of BS equation:

$$\left(-\frac{\nabla_r^2}{m} + V(r)\right)\psi(r) = E_n\psi(r)$$



Cornell potential :

$$V(r) = -\frac{4\alpha_s}{3r} + \sigma r$$

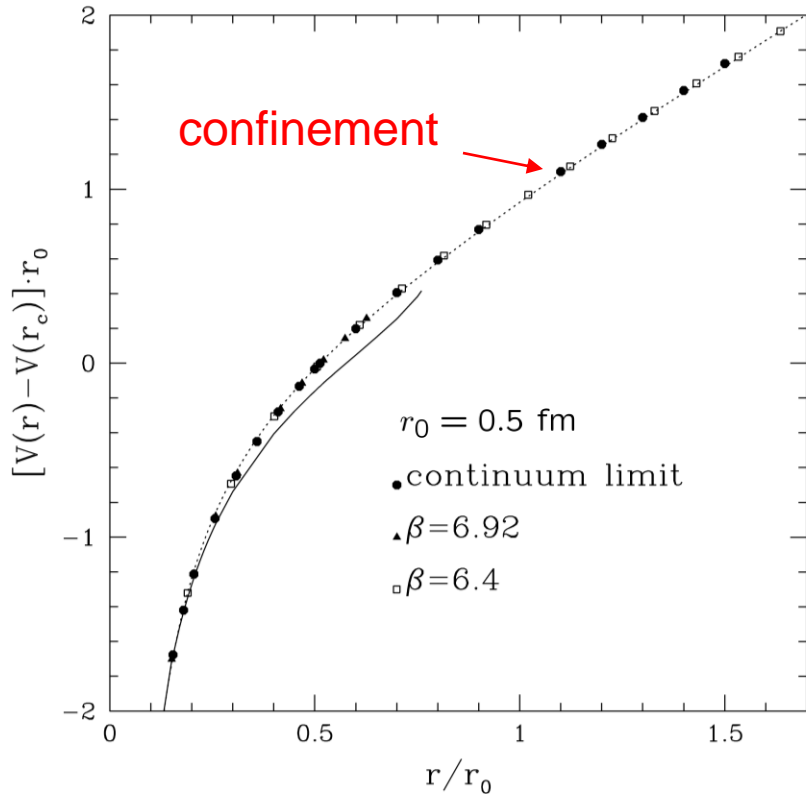


Quarkonia mass spectra $M_n = 2m + E_n$

Static energy on the lattice and quarkonium spectrum

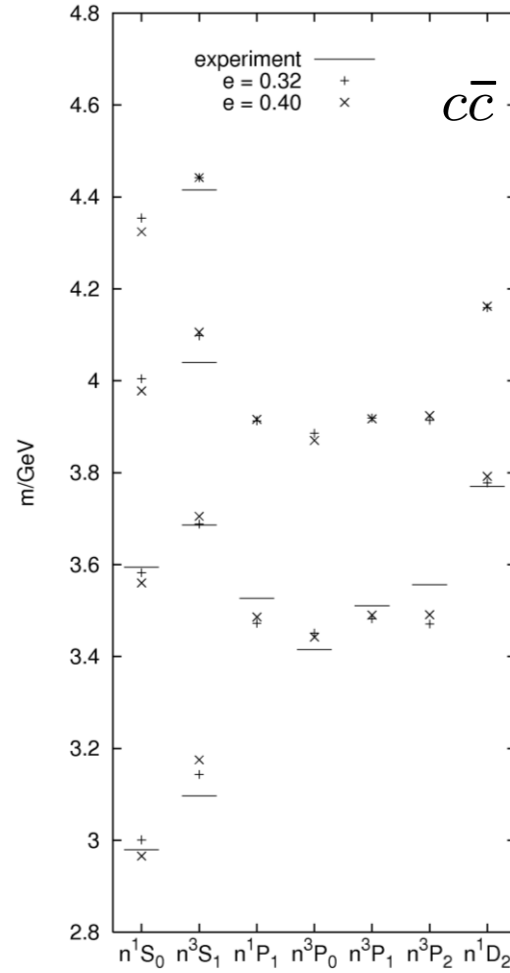
Input from the lattice : approximate the potential by the energy of the static $Q\bar{Q}$

Necco, Sommer, NPB 623 (02) 271

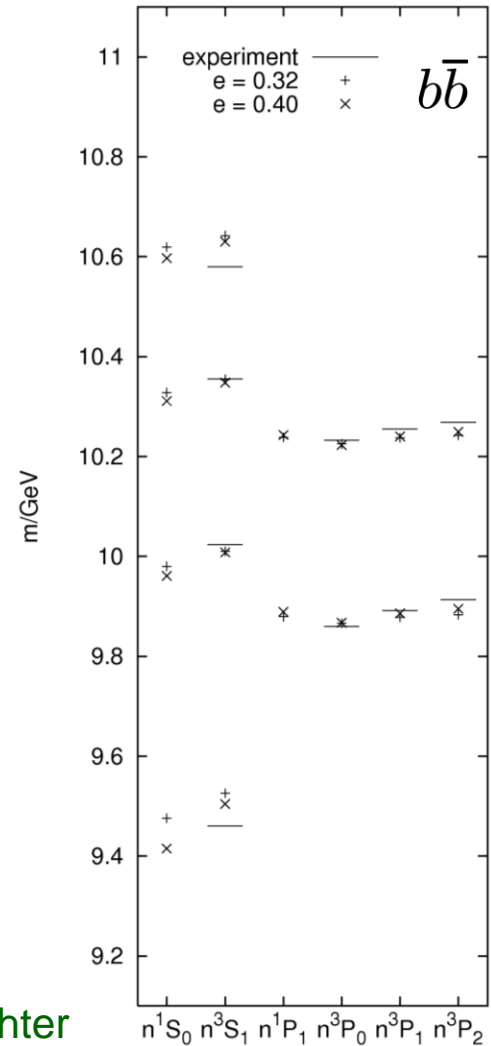


dotted line : $V(r) = -0.26/r + \sigma r$

solid line: 3-loop resummed perturbation theory



Bali, Schilling, Wachter
PRD56 (1997) 2566



Interactions in the octet channel and hybrid static energies

$$3 \otimes \bar{3} = 1 \oplus 8$$

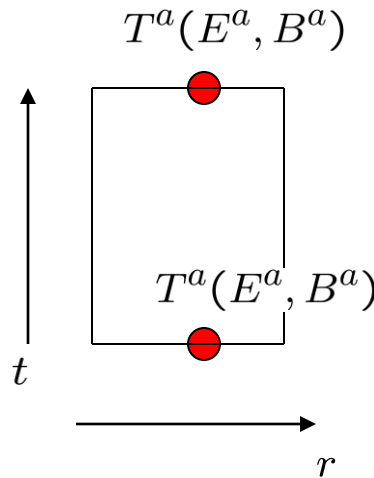
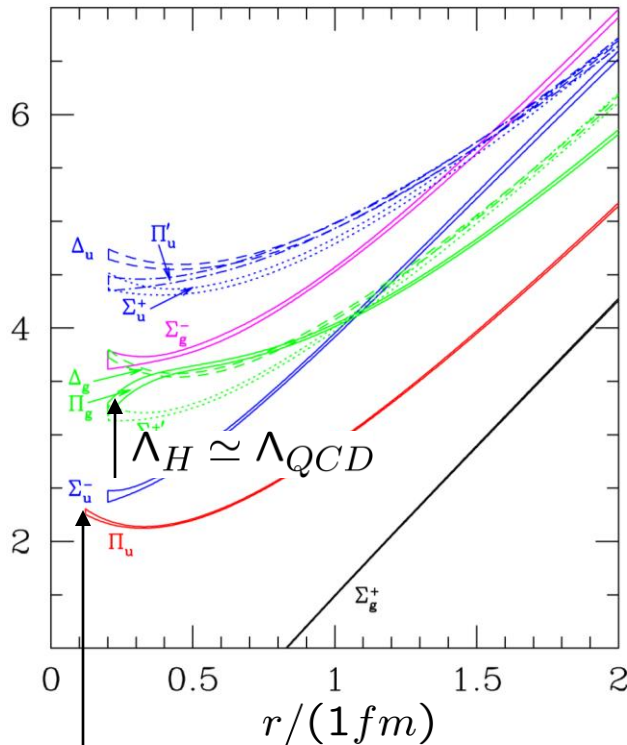
singlet potential

$$V_s(r) = -\frac{N_c^2 - 1}{2N_c} \frac{\alpha_s}{r}$$

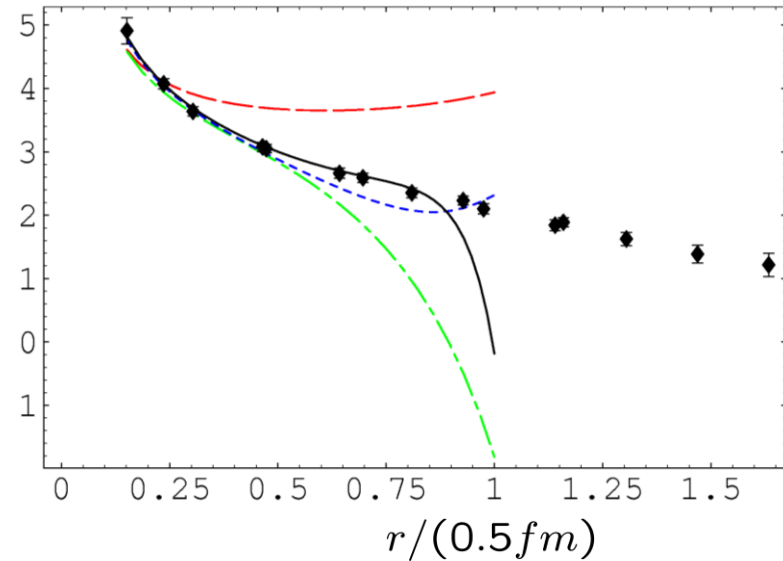
octet potential

$$V_o(r) = +\frac{1}{2N_c} \frac{\alpha_s}{r}$$

Excited energy levels of static $Q\bar{Q}$ pairs (hybrid potentials) are classified according to the symmetry group of 2-atom molecule



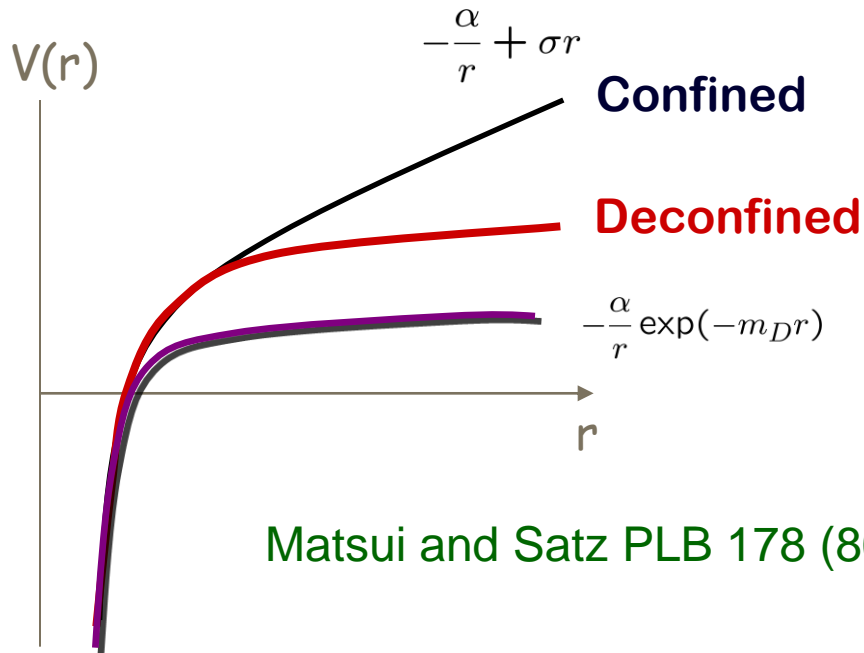
$$E_{\Sigma_g^+}(r) - E_{\Pi_u}(r) = V_o(r) - V_s(r) + \Lambda^{RS}$$



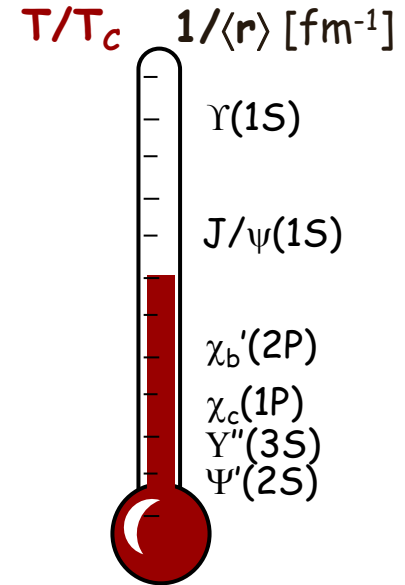
Bali, Pineda, PRDD69 (04) 094001

short distance QCD $E_H(r) = V_o(r) + \Lambda_H$

Color screening in QCD and quarkonia melting



Matsui and Satz PLB 178 (86) 416



Implicit assumptions :

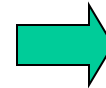
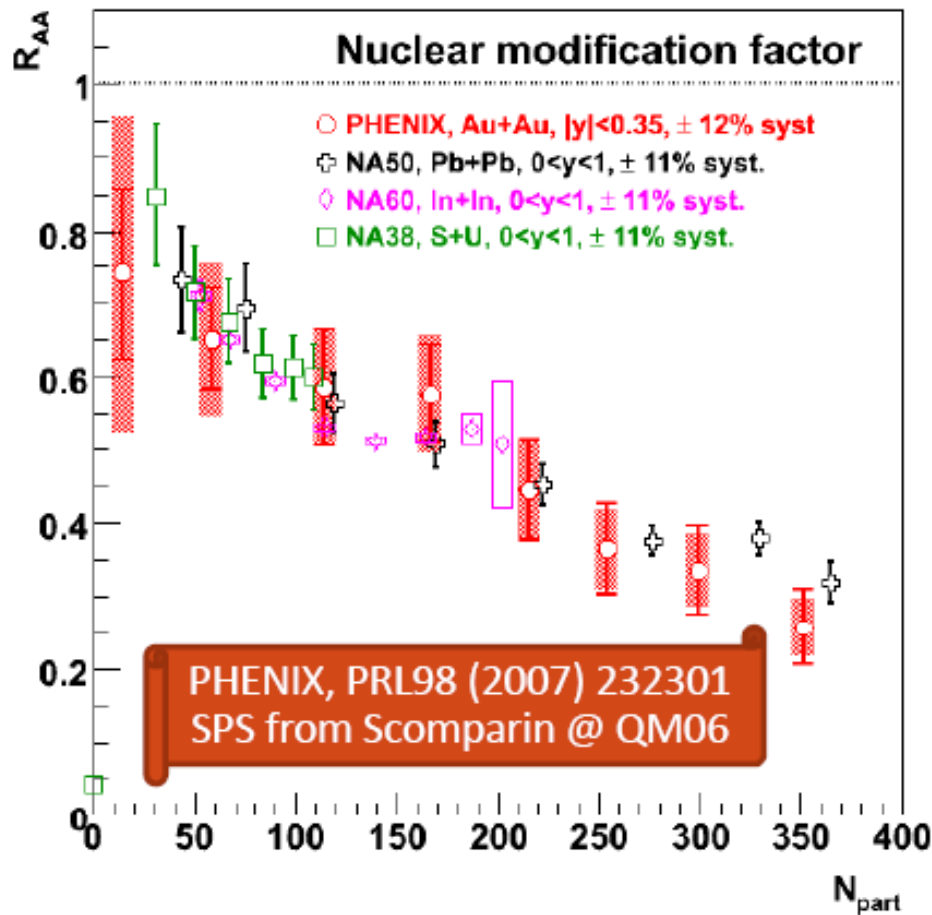
- strong color screening above deconfinement
- validity of potential models with T-dep. potentials
- formation time for quarkonia \ll formation time of QGP
- very short time scale for decorrelating un-bound quark anti-quark pair

use quarkonia
as thermometer
of the matter created in
RHIC

Quarkonium suppression in heavy ion collisions

Vector quarkonium (J/ψ , Y) can be easily measured in heavy ion collisions through the dilepton channel

$$R_{AA} = (\text{J}/\psi \text{ yield in AA collisions}) / (\text{J}/\psi \text{ yield in pp collisions} \times \# \text{ of collisions})$$



possible signal for formation of deconfined medium in heavy ion collisions

Euclidean correlators and spectral functions

Lattice QCD is formulated in imaginary time

$$G(\tau, \vec{p}, T) = \int d^3x e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \langle J_H(\tau, \vec{x}) J_H^\dagger(0, 0) \rangle,$$

$$J_H(\tau, \vec{x}) = \bar{\psi}(\tau, \vec{x}) \Gamma_H \psi(\tau, \vec{x})$$

$$\Gamma_H = 1, \gamma_5, \gamma_\mu, \gamma_5 \cdot \gamma_\mu$$

Physical processes take place in real time

$$D^>(t, \vec{p}, T) = \int d^3x e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \langle J_H(t, \vec{x}) J_H^\dagger(0, 0) \rangle,$$

$$D^<(t, \vec{p}, T) = \int d^3x e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \langle J_H(0, \vec{0}) J_H^\dagger(t, \vec{x}) \rangle$$

$$\frac{D^>(\omega) - D^<(\omega)}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} D_R(\omega) = \sigma(\omega)$$

$$G(\tau, T) = D^>(-i\tau)$$



$$G(\tau, T) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \sigma(\omega, T) \frac{\cosh(\omega(\tau - 1/(2T)))}{\sinh(\omega/(2T))}$$

if $T = 0$ and $\sigma(\omega) = \sum_n A_n \delta(\omega - E_n) \implies G(\tau) = A_0 e^{-E_0\tau} + A_1 e^{-E_1\tau} + \dots$

fit the large distance behavior of the lattice correlation functions

This is not possible for $T > 0$, $\tau_{max} = 1/T$

and in the case of resonances, e.g.

$$R(\omega) = \frac{\sigma_{e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}}}{\sigma_{e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-}} = \sigma(\omega)/\omega^2$$

Spectral functions at $T>0$ and physical observables

Heavy meson spectral functions:

$$J_H = \bar{\psi} \Gamma_H \psi$$



quarkonia properties at $T>0$
heavy quark diffusion in QGP: D

Quarkonium suppression (R_{AA})

Open charm/beauty suppression (R_{AA})

thermal dilepton production rate
functions :

Light vector meson spectral
functions:

$$J_\mu = \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \psi$$



$$\frac{dW}{d\omega d^3p} = \frac{5\alpha_{em}^2}{27\pi^2} \frac{1}{e^{\omega/T} - 1} \sigma_{\mu\mu}(\omega, p, T)$$

thermal photon production rate

Thermal photons and dileptons provide
information about the temperature of
the medium produced in heavy ion collisions
Low mass dileptons are sensitive probes
of chiral symmetry restoration at $T>0$

$$p \frac{dW}{d^3p} = \frac{5\alpha_{em}}{9\pi} \frac{1}{e^{p/T} - 1} \sigma_{\mu\mu}(\omega = p, p, T)$$

electric conductivity ζ :

Homework:

1) Prove the integral equation :

$$\Delta(\tau) = \int_0^{\infty} dk_0 \sigma(k_0) \frac{\cosh(k_0 \cdot (\tau - \beta/2))}{\sinh(\beta k_0/2)}$$

Show that:

$$\sigma(k_0) = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} \sum_{n,m} e^{-\beta E_n} [\delta(k_0 + E_n - E_m) - \delta(k_0 + E_m - E_n)] |\langle n | \hat{q} | m \rangle|^2$$

Hint : use relation between $\sigma(k_0)$ and $D^{>,<}(k_0)$ and insert a complete set of energy eigenstates into $D^{>,<}(t)$

3) Prove the sum rule

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k_0 \sigma(k_0) dk_0 = 1$$