

# In-medium heavy quarkonia

(lattice QCD perspective)

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## Quark-Gluon Plasma Characterisation with Heavy Flavour Probes (HYBRID)

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**Bottomonium melting from screening correlators at high temperature,**  
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*Bottomonia via lattice NRQCD,*

R. Larsen, S. Meinel, S. Mukherjee, P. Petreczky, Phys.Rev.D 100 (2019) 7, 074506; Phys.Lett.B  
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**Heavy Quark Potential in QGP: DNN meets LQCD,**

S. Shi, K. Zhou, J. Zhao, S. Mukherjee, P. Zhuang, arXiv:2105.07862[hep-ph]

**Static quark anti-quark interactions at non-zero temperature from lattice QCD,**

D. Bala, O. Kaczmarek, R. Larsen, S. Mukherjee, G. Parkar,

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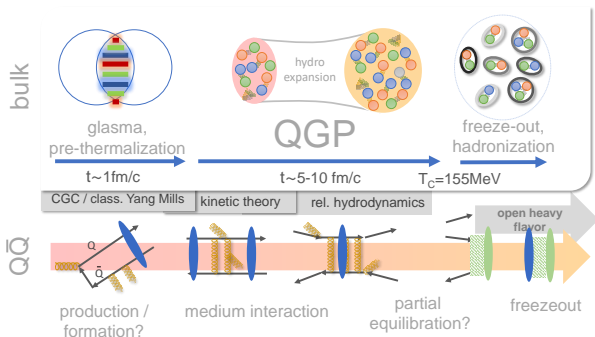
**Static Potential At Non-zero Temperatures From Fine Lattices,**

+A. Bazavov, D. Hoying, arXiv:2110.00565[hep-lat]

# Outline

- 1 **Appetizer:** link to heavy-ion phenomenology
  - Motivation
- 2 **Main course:** modern perspective on “Heavy quarkonium at  $T > 0$ ”
  - Historical perspective on “Heavy quarkonium at  $T > 0$ ”
  - In-medium quarkonium at weak coupling
  - Lattice QCD
  - Relativistic bottomonium on the lattice
  - Nonrelativistic bottomonium on the lattice
  - In-medium static quarkonium
- 3 **Dessert:** bringing “Heavy quarkonium at  $T > 0$ ” full circle

# Why focus on hard probes in heavy-ion collisions?



source: Rothkopf, Phys.Rept. 858 (2020) 1-117

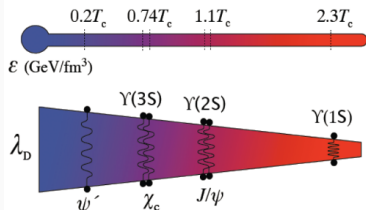
- Hard probes are produced in a few **hard processes** in initial collision, neither created nor destroyed afterwards, but can alter their nature
- Most important probes: *jets*, open heavy flavor & **heavy quarkonia**
- **What happens to quarkonium if we increase the temperature?**

# Heavy quarkonium in the hot medium as a local thermometer

- Idea to look at **quarkonium** in the QGP is old and famous

*Matsui, Satz, PLB 178 (1986)*

- Debye screening** of electric gluons ( $A_0$ ) dictates a limit of the radius of hadronic bound states
- Consequence: QGP formation  $\Leftrightarrow$  **quarkonium suppression**



source: *USQCD whitepaper 2018, EPJ A 55 (2019)*

- Color screening** usually studied via Polyakov loop correlator

$$C_P(r, T) = \langle P(0)P^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) \rangle_T^{\text{ren}} = e^{-F_{QQ}(r, T)/T}$$

- $rT \ll 1$ : **singlet/octet** decomposition

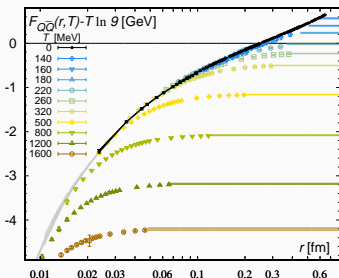
$$C_P(r, T) = 1/9e^{-F_S(r, T)/T} + 8/9e^{-F_O(r, T)/T}$$

- $rm_D \gtrsim 1$ : screening regime; decompose

$$C_P(r, T) = \langle \text{Re } P(0) \text{Re } P^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) \rangle_T^{\text{ren}} + \langle \text{Im } P(0) \text{Im } P^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) \rangle_T^{\text{ren}}$$

into  $\mathcal{C}$  **even** or **odd** contributions

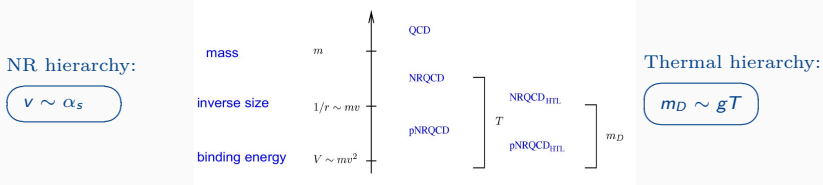
- QCD**:  $F_{Q\bar{Q}, S, O}(r, T)$  **screened** @  $T = 0$



source: *Brambilla, et al., PRD 98 (2018)*

# Screening is not the whole story... (at weak coupling)

Matsui & Satz's idea of the **quarkonium suppression mechanism** was turned inside out by **weak-coupling EFT results** emerging 15 years ago



- For  $1/r \sim m_D \ll T$ :  $\text{Re}[V_s] = F_S + \mathcal{O}(g^4)$  and  $\text{Im}[V_s] \sim \mathcal{O}(g^2 T)$

$$V_s(T, r) = -C_F \alpha_s \left\{ \frac{e^{-rm_D}}{r} + m_D + iT \phi(rm_D) \right\}, \quad \phi(x) = 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dz z}{(z^2 + 1)^2} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\sin(zx)}{zx} \right\}$$

*Laine, et al., JHEP 03 (2007)*

- For  $\Delta V \ll 1/r \ll m_D \ll T$ :  $\text{Re}[V_s] = V_s + \mathcal{O}(g^4)$  and  $\text{Im}[V_s] \sim \mathcal{O}(g^4 r^2 T^3, g^6 T)$

$$V_s(T, r) = \frac{-C_F \alpha_s}{r} + r^2 T^3 \left\{ \mathcal{O}(g^4) + i \mathcal{O} \left( g^4, \frac{g^6}{(rT)^2} \right) \right\}$$

*Brambilla, et al., PRD 78 (2008)*

But an imaginary part leads to **dissociation** – is **screening** even relevant?

# QCD on a lattice

$$S_{\text{QCD}}[U, \bar{\psi}, \psi] = a^4 \sum_x \sum_{f=1}^{N_f} \bar{\psi}^f(x) \left( \not{D}[U(x)] + m_f \right) \psi^f(x) - a^4 \sum_x \sum_{\mu < \nu} \frac{2}{g_0^2} \text{Re tr} \left\{ 1 - U_{\mu, \nu}(x) + \mathcal{O}(a^2) \right\}$$

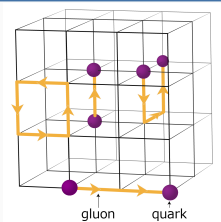
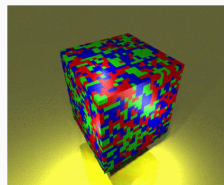
$$D_\mu[U_\mu(x)]\psi^f(x) = \frac{U_\mu(x)\psi^f(x + a\hat{\mu}) - U_\mu^\dagger(x - a\hat{\mu})\psi^f(x - a\hat{\mu})}{2a} + \mathcal{O}(a^2)$$

$$U_\mu(x) = \exp[iag_0 A_\mu(x)]$$

gauge link

$$U_{\mu, \nu}(x) = U_\mu(x)U_\nu(x + a\hat{\mu})U_\mu^\dagger(x + a\hat{\nu})U_\nu^\dagger(x)$$

plaquette


 $\xrightarrow{\text{HPC}}$ 


## Lattice QCD simulations in a box on a computer

Stochastically sample the (Euclidean) QCD path integral

$$\langle O \rangle_{\text{QCD}} = \frac{1}{Z} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\{U\}}^N O[U] \prod_{f=1}^{N_f} \det(\not{D}[U] + m_f) \exp(-S_g[U]) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\right)$$

using MCMC algorithm with importance sampling

QCD on a lattice with spacing  $a$  in a box of  $N_s^3 \times N_\tau$  points

- scale setting: lattice spacing  $a$  is determined a posteriori  
**control the approach to the continuum limit  $a \rightarrow 0$**
- time (Euclidean): periodic for gluons, antiperiodic for quarks
- space: periodic for gluons and quarks  
**always at finite temperature and in finite volume**  
 $aN_\tau = 1/T$  (**volumes only must be large enough**)
- quark masses: light quarks at the physical point are expensive  
**control the quark mass dependence through  $\chi\text{PT}$**
- quark flavors: usually  $N_f = 2 + 1$  or  $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ , or  $N_f = 0$



## Real-time dynamics from Lattice QCD

- Importance sampling requires an imaginary-time formalism  
 $\Rightarrow$  **Dissociation** due to real-time dynamics not directly accessible

- **Spectral functions** encode the entire dynamics
  - Stable bound states  $\Rightarrow$  Delta functions
  - Unstable quasiparticles  $\Rightarrow$  regularized peaks, locally Breit-Wigner
  - On top of a UV continuum due to scattering or merged excited states
  - At  $T > 0$  potentially a substantial IR tail below the “ground state”
- Same **spectral functions** yield real- or imaginary-time correlators via different, analytically known integral kernels

$$G_T \left( \frac{t}{\tau} \right) = \int d\omega \begin{pmatrix} K^M(T, \omega; t) \\ K^E(T, \omega; \tau) \end{pmatrix} \rho_T(\omega)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Strategy for lattice QCD:

- 1 Compute imaginary-time correlators on the lattice
  - 2 Reconstruct **spectral functions** by inverting spectral representation
  - 3 Directly read off some state's properties from  $\rho_T(\omega)$
- Spectral reconstruction is challenging: at best  $N_\tau$  resp.  $N_\tau/2$  data



# At which $T$ are there either bound states or melted $q\bar{q}$ pairs?

- **Euclidean Correlators** are towers of exponential decays  $G(\tau) = \sum_i A_i e^{-E_i \cdot \tau}$

For mesons: same  $E_0$  in temporal or spatial directions

- **Spatial  $q\bar{q}$  pair correlators** are a model-independent analysis tool

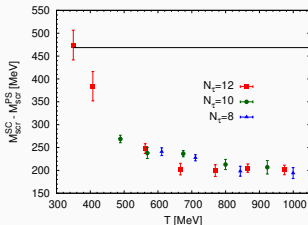
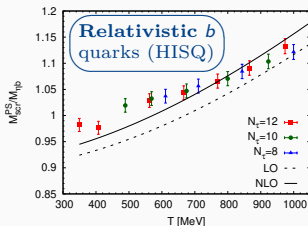
*Bazavov, et al., PRD 91 (2015)*

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(z, T) &= \int_0^{1/T} d\tau \int d^2x_{\perp} \langle \mathcal{J}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_{\perp}, z) \mathcal{J}^{\dagger}(0) \rangle \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2d\omega}{\omega} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dp_z e^{ip_z z} \rho(\omega, p_z, T)
 \end{aligned}$$

with spectral function  $\rho(\omega, p_z, T)$

$$\sim \begin{cases} \delta[\omega^2 - p_z^2 - M_0^2] & \text{mesons} \\ \delta\left[\omega - \sum_{q_i} \sqrt{m_{q_i}^2 + [\pi T]^2}\right] & \text{free quarks} \end{cases}$$

- Lowest pseudoscalar & vector are hardly modified at  $T \lesssim 450$  MeV
- Lowest scalar & axialvector are hardly modified at  $T \lesssim 350$  MeV
- How can we understand the **melting mechanism** at work?



source: *Petreczky, et al., PRD 104 (2021)*

# Nonrelativistic bottomonium with extended sources (HotQCD)

- Lattice NRQCD: no continuum limit  
 $\Rightarrow$  upper limit on  $T$  for fixed  $N_\tau$
- NRQCD correlator study on  $T = 0$  or  $N_\tau = 12$  lattices: **extended sources**

*Larsen, et al., ...*

- 1 Point source vs Gaussian smearing, new scheme for removing UV part: **thermal width**, small mass shift

*PRD 100 (2019)*

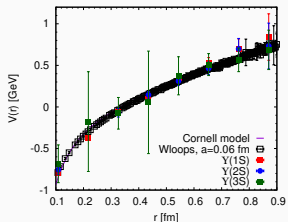
- 2 Cornell pot. eigenstates  $\rightarrow$  GEVP  
 $\Rightarrow$  obtain lattice **BS amplitudes**
- 3 BS amp. allow recovering potential

$$\left(\frac{-\Delta}{m_b} + V(r)\right) \phi_\alpha = E_\alpha \phi_\alpha$$

*PLB 800 (2020) + PRD 102 (2020)*

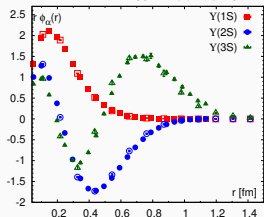
- 4 **Small**  $\tau$ : BS amplitudes at  $T = 0$  and  $T > 0$  almost  $T$ -independent
- 5 **Large**  $\tau$ : 3S BS amp. at  $T > 0$  visibly **modified**  $\Leftrightarrow$  thermal width

$T = 0, a = 0.06$  fm: NRQCD vs static  $q\bar{q}$



source: *Larsen, et al., PRD 102, (2020)*

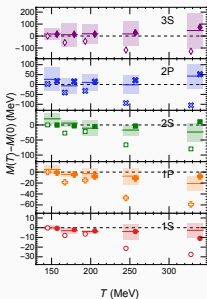
$N_\tau = 12, \tau \sim 0.4$  fm  
 $T = 334$  MeV vs 151 MeV



# Machine learning the potential from NRQCD amplitudes

Is there room for another interpretation? Let an algorithm figure it out...

Machine learning (DNN) applied to lattice BS amp.:  $T > 0$  potential

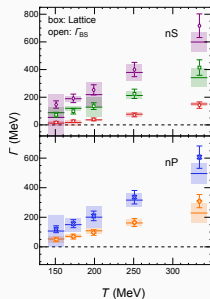


Lattice BS amplitudes  
fed into DNN  $\Rightarrow$  can re-  
construct a nonpertur-  
bative potential  $V^{\text{ML}}$

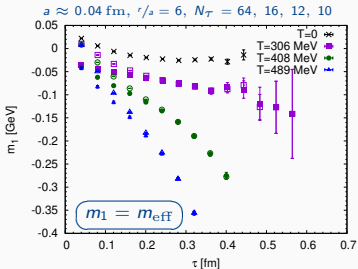
Clearly smaller thermal  
mass shift and larger  
width than in **Hard  
Thermal Loop** (HTL)  
perturbation theory  
( $\text{Re}(V_s^{\text{HTL}}) \sim F_S$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re}[V^{\text{ML}}] &\sim V_s(T=0) \\ \text{Im}[V^{\text{ML}}] &\gg \text{Im}[V_s^{\text{HTL}}] \end{aligned}$$

*Shi, et al., arXiv:2105.07862*



# Static $q\bar{q}$ pair at $T > 0$ on the lattice



source: [Bala, et al., arXiv:2110.11659](#)

- Static  $q\bar{q}$  interaction is encoded in (real-time) **Wilson loops**<sup>a</sup>

$$W_{[r, \tau]}(t) = \left\langle e^{ig \oint_{r \times t} dz^\mu A_\mu} \right\rangle_{\text{QCD}, T}$$

- Stable (ground) state  $\Omega_r$  exists if

$$\Omega_{[r, \tau]} \equiv -i \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \partial_t W_{[r, \tau]}(t)$$

<sup>a</sup>We use Wilson line correlators in Coulomb gauge.

- Same spectral functions yield real- or imaginary-time correlators

$$W_{[r, \tau]} \left( \frac{t}{\tau} \right) = \int d\omega \begin{pmatrix} e^{+i\omega t} \\ e^{-\omega \tau} \end{pmatrix} \rho_{[r, \tau]}(\omega)$$

- Motivates generic decomposition

$$\rho_{[r, \tau]}(\omega) = \rho_{[r, \tau]}^{\{\Omega; \mathcal{O}(T)\}}(\omega) + \rho_{[r, \tau]}^{\text{tail}}(\omega) + \rho_{[r, \tau]}^{\text{UV}}(\omega)$$

- UV continuum  $\rho_{[r, \tau]}^{\text{UV}}(\omega)$  is far above **lowest feature  $\Omega$  + effects of  $\mathcal{O}(T)$**

$\Rightarrow$  Guess  $\rho_{[r, \tau]}^{\text{UV}}(\omega)$  via  $\rho_{[r, 0]}^{\text{UV}}(\omega) \Rightarrow$  subtract

**Note:** “tail” due to backward propagating UV physics (vacuum excited states) at  $\tau \lesssim 1/T$ .

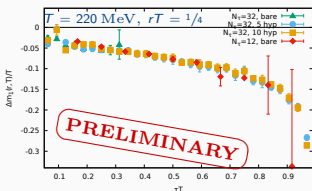
# Cumulants of spectral functions – what can we expect?

- Access **cumulants** of  $\rho_{[r, T]}(\omega)e^{-\omega\tau}$  via  $\tau$  (**log**) **derivatives** of  $W_{[r, T]}(\tau)$ 

$$m_1^{[r, T]}(\tau) = -\partial_\tau \ln W_{[r, T]}(\tau) \quad [\equiv m_{\text{eff}}^{[r, T]}(\tau)],$$

$$m_n^{[r, T]}(\tau) = -\partial_\tau m_{n-1}^{[r, T]}(\tau), \quad n > 1$$
- For  $N_\tau \leq 16$  obtain up to  $m_3^{[r, T]}(\tau)$ : supports  $\leq 5$  parameters for  $\rho_{[r, T]}(\omega)$
- Higher cumulants at small  $\tau$  need at least  $N_\tau > 16$ : bad signal-to-noise

Fully vacuum-subtracted result

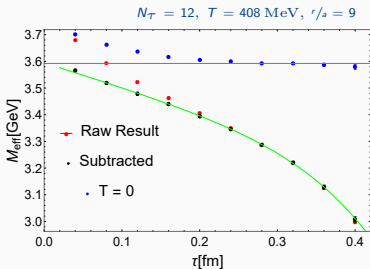


see: *Hoying, et al., arXiv:2110.00565 [hep-lat]*

Feasibility study with  $N_\tau = 32$ :  $m_n^{[r, T]}$ ,  $n > 2$  ?

- Fine lattices:  $a^{-1} \approx 7 \text{ GeV}$   $m_\pi \approx 0.3 \text{ GeV}$
- UV filtering (HYP) for **noise reduction**
- distortions cancel in vacuum subtraction
- Definitely still work in progress

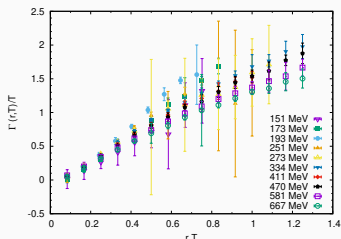
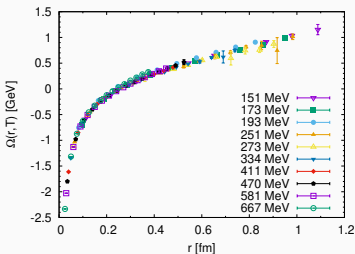
# Lowest spectral feature from fits using Gaussian approximation



- Quasiparticles are represented as **Breit-Wigner** in  $\rho_{[r,T]}(\omega)$
- Ansatz: approximate **BW** of  $\rho_r^{\{\Omega; \mathcal{O}(T)\}}(\omega)$  locally as **Gaussian**, include **delta function** for  $\rho_r^{\text{tail}}(\omega)$

$$W_{[r,T]}(\tau) = A_{[r,T]}^{\{\Omega; \mathcal{O}(T)\}} e^{-\Omega_{[r,T]}\tau + (\Gamma_{[r,T]}^G)^2 \tau^2 / 2} + A_{[r,T]}^{\text{tail}} e^{-\omega_{[r,T]}^{\text{tail}} \tau}, \quad \omega_{[r,T]}^{\text{tail}} \ll \Omega_{[r,T]}$$

$N_T = 12, \Omega(r, T) \equiv \Omega_{[r,T]}, \Gamma(r, T) \equiv \sqrt{2 \ln 2} \Gamma_{[r,T]}^G$ , subtracted correlators

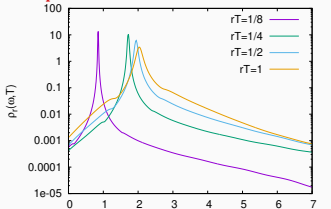


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- Almost no  $T$  dependence in  $\Omega_{[r,T]}$  (naive correspondence:  $\text{Re } V_s(r, T)$ )
- Naively expected scaling of  $\Gamma(r, T)/T \approx \Gamma(rT)/T$  down to  $T \approx T_{pc}$

# Comparison: lattice QCD vs HTL

HTL spectral function for  $T = 667$  MeV



[NLO, 2-loop  $\alpha_s(2\pi T)$ ,  $\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}^{N_f=3} = 332$  MeV]

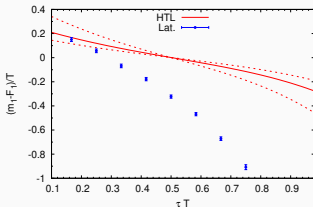
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- **HTL** is an attractive proposition: **motivated & regularized BW**
- **HTL** result is **antisymmetric** around the midpoint  $\tau = 1/2T$ :

$$\log W_{[r, T]}(\tau) = -\text{Re } V_s(r, T) \times \tau + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \left\{ e^{-\omega\tau} + e^{-\omega(1/\tau - \tau)} \right\} \times \{1 + n_B(\omega)\} \sigma_{[r, T]}(\omega)$$

- Leading **singularity** of  $\sigma_{[r, T]}(\omega)$  (transv. gluon spec. fun.) fixes  $\text{Im } V_s(r, T)$

$N_T = 12$ ,  $r/s = 12$ , subtracted correlator  
 $T=667$  MeV,  $rT=1$

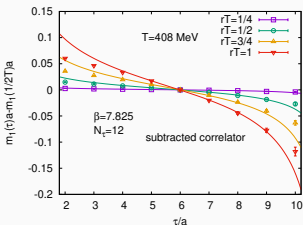


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- **HTL** should work at  $r \sim 1/m_D$
- *Subtleties* due to renormalons and regulators: consider  $(m_1 - F_5)/T$   
 Reminder:  $\text{Re}[V_s] = F_5 + \mathcal{O}(g^4)$  in **HTL**
- **No large UV component** in **HTL**, compare UV-subtracted result
- $m_1$  at midpoint lower than **HTL**, and  $m_2$  is much more negative

# Lowest spectral feature from fits using HTL-motivated Ansatz

$$N_\tau = 12, T = 408 \text{ MeV}, r/a = 9$$



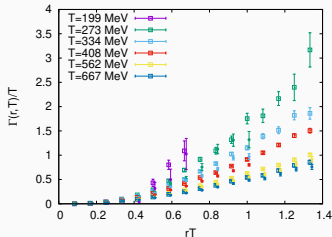
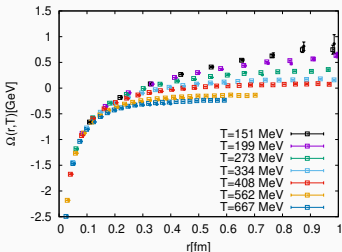
- Fit via HTL-motivated Ansatz

Bala, Datta, PRD 101 (2020)

$$W_{[r,T]}(\tau) = A_{[r,T]}^{BD} e^{-\Omega_{[r,T]}^{BD} \tau} - i \frac{\Gamma_{[r,T]}^{BD}}{\pi} \log \sin(\pi \tau T)$$

- Note: similar result via Gaussian around midpoint  $\tau = 1/2T$

$$N_\tau = 12, \quad \Omega(r, T) \equiv \Omega_{[r,T]}^{BD}, \quad \Gamma^{BD}(r, T) \equiv \Gamma_{[r,T]}^{BD}, \quad (\text{un-})\text{subtracted correlators}$$

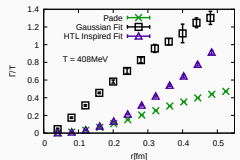
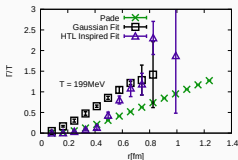
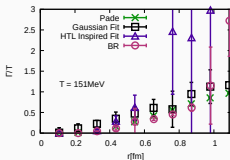
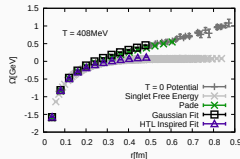
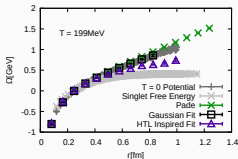
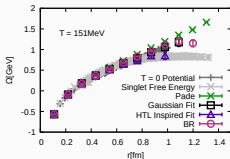


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- Significant  $T$  dependence in  $\Omega_{[r,T]}$  (naive correspondence:  $\text{Re } V_s(r, T)$ )
- Weaker than naive scaling of  $\Gamma(r, T)/T \approx \Gamma(rT)/T$



# Comparison: lowest spectral feature from four different methods



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- Applied two further, independent methods (Padé rational approximation, Bayesian reconstruction) not discussed in detail
- $T \approx 150 \text{ MeV}$  conclusive:  $\Omega_{[r, T]} \approx F_S(r, T) \approx V_s(r)$  for  $r \lesssim 0.8 \text{ fm}$
- $T \lesssim 250 \text{ MeV}$ : all three methods yield  $\Omega_{[r, T]} \gg F_S(r, T)$
- $T \approx 400 \text{ MeV}$  inconclusive:  $\Omega_{[r, T]}^{BD} \approx F_S(r, T)$  vs  $\Omega_{[r, T]}^G \approx \Omega_{[r, T]}^P \approx V_s(r)$
- All methods find for all  $T$  nontrivial  $\Gamma_{[r, T]}$  that increases with  $r$  or  $T$

# Heavy quarkonium at finite temperature

Modern picture: quarkonium suppression due to dissociation...

- Spatial correlation functions of **relativistic bottomonium**
  - Model-independent study of quarkonium melting in LQCD
  - $\eta_b$  or  $\Upsilon(1S)$  largely unmodified at  $T \approx 400$  MeV;  $\chi_{b0}$  or  $h_b$  already gone
- **Nonrelativistic bottomonium**
  - Extended sources or BS wave functions boost resolving power of LQCD
  - Spectral features are fully **consistent with static  $q\bar{q}$  pair**
- **Static quarkonium ( $q\bar{q}$  pair)**
  - Lowest spectral feature  $\{\Omega; \mathcal{O}(T)\} + \text{tail} + \text{UV continuum}$
  - Model-independent cumulant analysis  $\rightarrow$  clear evidence for a large **thermal width being the main cause of quarkonium melting**
  - Consistent with minimal (Gaussian fit) or major (HTL-motivated fit) medium modification of real part  $\rightarrow$  insufficient resolution with  $N_\tau \leq 16$

The lattice + EFT is in good shape to deliver more accurate and more realistic results needed for HIC phenomenology in the coming years.

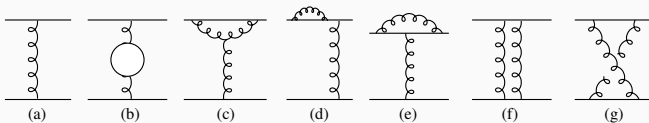
Thank you for your attention!

# Jet transport coefficient $\hat{q}$ and collision kernel in weak coupling (I)

- Jet transport coefficient  $\hat{q}$  is truncated integral of collision kernel  $C(k_\perp)$

$$\hat{q}(k_\perp^{\max}) = \hat{q}_{\text{soft}}(k_\perp^*) + \hat{q}_{\text{hard}}(k_\perp^*, k_\perp^{\max}) \equiv \int_0^{k_\perp^*} \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} \mathbf{k}_\perp^2 C_{\text{soft}}(k_\perp) + \int_{k_\perp^*}^{k_\perp^{\max}} \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} \mathbf{k}_\perp^2 C_{\text{hard}}(k_\perp)$$

- Soft contribution ( $k_\perp \ll T$ ) to collision kernel known up to  $\mathcal{O}(g^6)$  in HTL



$$C_{\text{soft}}(k_\perp) = g^2 T C_R \left\{ \frac{m_D^2}{k_\perp^2 (k_\perp^2 + m_D^2)} \right\} + g^4 T^2 C_R N_C \times \left\{ \frac{7}{32 k_\perp^3} + \frac{m_D}{4\pi (k_\perp^2 + m_D^2)} \left[ \frac{3}{k_\perp^2 + 4m_D^2} - \frac{2}{k_\perp^2 + m_D^2} - \frac{1}{k_\perp^2} \right] \right. \\ \left. - \frac{k_\perp m_D + 2 (k_\perp^2 - m_D^2) \arctan(\frac{k_\perp}{m_D})}{4\pi k_\perp (k_\perp^2 + m_D^2)^2} + \frac{m_E^2 \arctan(\frac{k_\perp}{2m_D})}{2\pi k_\perp^3 (k_\perp^2 + m_D^2)} + \frac{2k_\perp m_D - (k_\perp^2 + 4m_D^2) \arctan(\frac{k_\perp}{2m_D})}{16\pi k_\perp^5} \right\} + \mathcal{O}(g^6)$$

*Caron-Huot, PRD 79 (2009)*

$$\hat{q}_{\text{soft}}(k_\perp^*) = \frac{g^2 T m_D^2 C_R}{2\pi} \ln \frac{k_\perp^*}{m_D} + \frac{g^4 T^2 m_D C_R N_C}{2\pi} \left\{ -\frac{k_\perp^*}{16m_D} + \frac{3\pi^2 + 10 - 4 \ln 2}{16\pi} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_D}{k_\perp^*}\right) \right\} + \mathcal{O}(g^6)$$

# Jet transport coefficient $\hat{q}$ and collision kernel in weak coupling (II)

$$\hat{q}(k_{\perp}^{\max}) = \hat{q}_{\text{soft}}(k_{\perp}^*) + \hat{q}_{\text{hard}}(k_{\perp}^*, k_{\perp}^{\max}) \equiv \int_0^{k_{\perp}^*} \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2 C_{\text{soft}}(k_{\perp}) + \int_{k_{\perp}^*}^{k_{\perp}^{\max}} \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2 C_{\text{hard}}(k_{\perp})$$

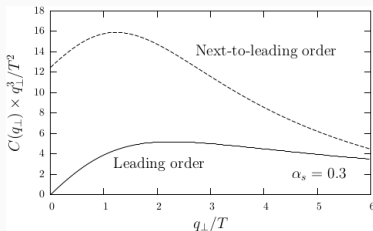
- Hard contribution ( $k_{\perp} \gtrsim T$ ) to collision kernel known up to  $\mathcal{O}(g^6)$  as well

$$\hat{q}_{\text{hard}}(k_{\perp}^*, k_{\perp}^{\max}) = g^4 T^3 C_R \left\{ \frac{N_C}{6\pi} \left[ \log\left(\frac{T}{k_{\perp}^*}\right) + \frac{\zeta(3)}{\zeta(2)} \log\left(\frac{k_{\perp}^{\max}}{T}\right) - 0.06885 \dots + \frac{3}{16} \frac{k_{\perp}^*}{T} + \dots \right] \right. \\ \left. + \frac{N_f T_f}{6\pi} \left[ \log\left(\frac{T}{k_{\perp}^*}\right) + \frac{3}{2} \frac{\zeta(3)}{\zeta(2)} \log\left(\frac{k_{\perp}^{\max}}{T}\right) - 0.07286 \dots + \dots \right] \right\}$$

*Arnold, Xiao, PRD 78 (2008)*

- $\hat{q}_{\text{hard}}(k_{\perp}^*, k_{\perp}^{\max} \rightarrow \infty)$  is finite
- Cancellation of  $k_{\perp}^*$  dependence between  $\hat{q}_{\text{soft}}(k_{\perp}^*)$ ,  $\hat{q}_{\text{hard}}(k_{\perp}^*, k_{\perp}^{\max})$
- Soft  $\mathcal{O}(g^5)$  exceeds  $\mathcal{O}(g^4)$  term  $\Rightarrow$  expansion in  $g$  converges poorly
- Contributions at  $\mathcal{O}(g^6)$  from magnetic scale ( $g^2 T$ ) are small

*Laine, EPJC 72 (2012)*

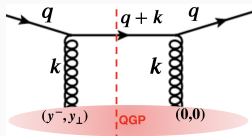


source: *Caron-Huot, PRD 79 (2009)*

LO is accidentally small, NLO is regularly large, and the non-perturbative magnetic contribution is hardly relevant – is this the **end of the story**???

## Hard jet scattering a QGP brick

- Uniform **QGP brick** of length  $L$ , temperature  $T$ , Debye mass  $m_D$
- A **jet** with energy  $E$ , virtuality  $Q$  traverses this QGP:  $E \gg Q \gg T, m_D$
- On-medium scattering is dominated by **one-gluon exchange** (OGE)



source: arXiv:2010.14463

- Regularize integrals in finite box  $V = L^3$ , interaction time  $T_I = L/c$
- The average momentum broadening among  $N_e$  OGE scattering events is

$$\hat{q} = \sum_i^{N_e} \frac{[k_\perp^i]^2}{N_e T_I}$$

$\hat{q}$  w. tree-level collision kernel as near light-cone **field-strength correlator**

$$\hat{q} = c_0 \int \frac{dy^- d^2 y_\perp}{(2\pi)^3} d^2 k_\perp \exp \left[ -i \frac{k_\perp^2}{2q^-} y^- + i k_\perp \cdot y_\perp \right] \\ \times \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \text{tr} \left[ F^{+j}(0) [\dots] F_j^+(y^-, y_\perp) \right] | n \rangle,$$

- $c_0 \propto g^2 C_R$  known perturbatively
- Events  $\xrightarrow{\text{ergodicity}}$  initial states
- $[\dots]$  = omitted Wilson lines
- $j = \{1, 2\}$  transverse directions

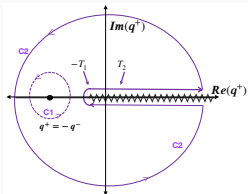
Enable lattice calculation via OPE of a generalized coefficient  $\hat{Q}(q^+)$

$$\hat{Q}(q^+) = c_0 \int \frac{d^4 y d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{2q^- e^{ik \cdot y}}{(q+k)^2 + i\epsilon} \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \text{tr} \left[ F^{+j}(0) F_j^+(y) \right] | n \rangle$$

# OPE in deep space-like region & integration via contour deformation

$$\hat{Q}(q^+) = c_0 \int \frac{d^4 y d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{2q^- e^{ik \cdot y}}{(q+k)^2 + i\epsilon} \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \text{tr} [F^{+j}(0) F_j^+(y)] | n \rangle$$

- $-T_1, T_2$  bound the thermal discontinuity of  $q^+ = k^+ + k_\perp^2/2(q^- + k^-)$
- **vacuum discontinuity** (real hard gluon radiation): subtract vacuum



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$$\begin{aligned} I &= \oint_{C_1} \frac{dq^+}{2\pi i} \frac{\hat{Q}(q^+)}{q^+ + q^-} = \hat{Q}(q^+ = -q^-) \\ &= \int_{-T_1}^{T_2} \frac{dq^+}{2\pi i} \frac{\text{Disc} [\hat{Q}(q^+)]}{q^+ + q^-} \\ &\quad + \int_0^\infty \frac{dq^+}{2\pi i} \frac{\text{Disc} [\hat{Q}(q^+)]}{q^+ + q^-} \end{aligned}$$

$\hat{Q}(q^+ \approx -q^-) \Rightarrow$  turn  $1/(q+k)^2$  into **geometric series** in deep space-like region

$$\hat{Q}(q^+ = -q^-) = \frac{1}{q^-} c_0 \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \text{tr} \left[ F^{+j}(0) \left[ \frac{i\sqrt{2}D_3}{q^-} \right]^m F_j^+(0) \right] | n \rangle$$

## Gauge-invariant, local OPE for $\hat{q}$ – in imaginary time

$$\frac{\hat{q}}{T^3} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{T}{q^-} \right]^{2m} c_0 \frac{T}{T_1+T_2} \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \frac{\text{tr} [F^{+j}(0) \Delta^{2m} F_j^+(0)]}{T^4} | n \rangle_{T-V} \quad \text{with} \quad \Delta \equiv i\sqrt{2}D_3/T$$

- **Thermal disc.:** width =  $T_1+T_2 \simeq 2\sqrt{2}T$ ;  $[T/q^-]^{2m}$  suppresses **higher twist**
- **Parity xor time reflection odd terms vanish for QGP at rest**

$$\text{Wick rotation: } x^0 \rightarrow ix^4, \quad A^0 \rightarrow iA^4 \Rightarrow F^{0j} \rightarrow iF^{4j}, \quad F^{+j} \rightarrow iF^{4j} - F^{3j}$$

$$\Rightarrow F^{+j} \Delta^{2m} F^{+j} \rightarrow [F^{3j} \Delta^{2m} F^{3j} - F^{4j} \Delta^{2m} F^{4j}] + i[F^{3j} \Delta^{2m} F^{4j} + F^{4j} \Delta^{2m} F^{3j}]$$

$$O_m \equiv \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \frac{\text{tr} [F^{3j}(0) \Delta^{2m} F^{3j}(0) - F^{4j}(0) \Delta^{2m} F^{4j}(0)]}{T^4} | n \rangle_{T-V}$$

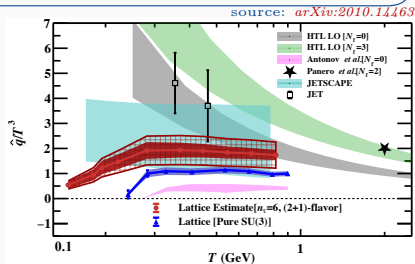
- Applies for **both pure gluon plasma or full QGP** at this stage
  - Leading-twist operator  $O_0$  is just **gluon contribution** to non-singlet component of **energy-momentum-tensor** (EMT)  $T_G^{(9)}$  (up to  $T_F = 1/2$ )
  - In **QCD**,  $T_G^{(9)}$  mixes with contribution from **sea quarks**  $T_Q^{(9)}$
  - Continuum EMT conserved, i.e.  $T_G^{(9)}$  in pure gauge, or  $T_G^{(9)} + T_Q^{(9)}$  in QCD
- $\Rightarrow$  lattice EMT needs renormalization; in QCD scheme dependent  $O_0 \Rightarrow \hat{q}$



# Quantitative comparison: HTL, lattice, models, phenomenology

$$\frac{\hat{q}_\infty}{T^3} \equiv \frac{\hat{q}}{T^3} (q^- \rightarrow \infty) = \underbrace{c_0}_{=\pi C_R g_R^2} \frac{T}{T_1+T_2} \underbrace{\sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \frac{\text{tr} [F^{3j} F^{3j} - F^{4j} F^{4j}]}{T^4} | n \rangle}_{=O_0} T_{-V}$$

- 1-loop,  $N_f = \{0, 3\}$ ,  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  running coupling  $g_R^2(\mu)$ , scale  $\mu = (2 \dots 4)\pi T$
- Volume  $V \cdot T^3 = N_\sigma/N_\tau = 4$  for  $T > 0$
- $T = 0$  ensembles with  $N_\tau = N_\sigma$
- **Pure gauge**:  $0.2 \text{ GeV} \lesssim T \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}$
- **QCD**  $N_f = 6$ :  $0.15 \text{ GeV} \lesssim T \lesssim 0.8 \text{ GeV}$
- $\hat{q}_\infty/T^3$  is nearly **flat** at  $T > 0.3 \text{ GeV}$

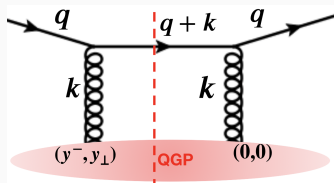


- **Phenomenological results by JET & JETSCAPE collaborations**  
Burke, et al. (JET), PRC 90 (2014); Soltz (JETSCAPE), PoS HardProbes 2018
- **Stochastic vacuum model**  $N_f = 0$  (lattice input): Landau damping  
Antonov, Pirner, EPJC55 (2008)
- **Soft contribution in**  $N_f = 2$  **EQCD**:  $\hat{q}_{\text{soft}} \approx \hat{q}_{\text{NLO}}|_{m_D^{\text{LO}} \rightarrow m_D^{\text{NP}}}$   
Panero, et al., PRL 112 (2014)
- **LO HTL** with  $q^- = 100 \text{ GeV}$  for  $N_f = 0$  or  $N_f = 3$

## Explicit derivation of $\hat{q}$

- **Ergodicity** implies that we can replace an average over  $N_e$  events by an average over **Boltzmann-weighted initial medium states**

$$\hat{q} = \sum_{n,X} \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z T_l} \int d^2 k_{\perp} k_{\perp}^2 \frac{d^2 W^{n,X}(k_{\perp})}{d^2 k_{\perp}}$$



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- SCET power counting of  $A_{\mu}$  fields:  
 $A_{\mu}^+ \sim \lambda^2 Q$ ,  $A_{\mu}^{\perp} \sim \lambda^3 Q$
- Roll over  $k_{\perp}^2$  to derivatives  $\partial_{\perp}$  on  $A_{\mu}$
- Prop up to field strength tensors  $F_j^+$   
 from here: transverse comp.  $j \in \{1, 2\}$

- Use finite volume wave-functions for the spinors
- Shift one vertex to origin, eliminate  $\int d^4 x$  against prefactor  $1/\sqrt{T_l}$
- Eliminate final medium state  $|X\rangle$  via completeness  $1 = \sum_X |X\rangle \langle X|$
- $k^+$ -integral is eliminated by on-shell delta function  $\delta[k^+ - k_{\perp}^2/(2q^-)]$
- Integrate over  $k^- \ll q^- \Rightarrow$  delta function  $2\pi\delta[y^+]$ , integrate  $y^+ \rightarrow 0$

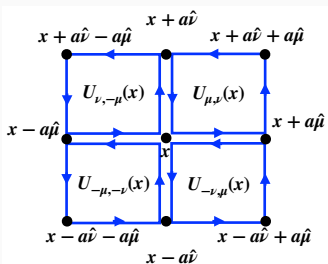
## Sufficiently-improved field-strength operator on the lattice

- Plaquette operator is most simple, but has real and imaginary parts

$$U_{\mu,\nu}(x) = \exp[a^2 ig_0 F_{\mu\nu}(x)] + \mathcal{O}(a^3)$$

- Clover operator is more symmetric, suppresses lattice artifacts

$$Q_{\mu\nu} = \frac{U_{\mu,\nu} + U_{\nu,-\mu} + U_{-\mu,-\nu} + U_{-\nu,\mu}}{4} = \exp[a^2 ig_0 F_{\mu\nu}] + \mathcal{O}(a^4)$$



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- Traceless-antihermitean **projection**

$$[Q]_{\text{TA}} = \frac{Q - Q^\dagger - \frac{\text{tr}[Q - Q^\dagger]}{N_c}}{2}$$

- Weak-coupling picture dysfunctional in practice –  $[Q_{\mu,\nu}]_{\text{TA}} \neq a^2 ig_0 F_{\mu\nu}$
- **Tadpole improvement** with factor  $u_0 = \sqrt[4]{\langle \text{Tr}[U_{\mu,\nu}] \rangle / N_c}$  ( $\lim_{a, g_0 \rightarrow 0} u_0 = 1$ )

- Traceless-antihermitian projected, tadpole-improved clover operator

$$ig_0 \mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{[Q_{\mu\nu}(x)]_{\text{TA}}}{a^2 u_0^4} = ig_0 F_{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{O}(a^2)$$

# Renormalization and mixing on quenched lattices

$$O_m \equiv \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \frac{\text{tr} [F^{3j}(0) \Delta^{2m} F^{3j}(0) - F^{4j}(0) \Delta^{2m} F^{4j}(0)]}{T^4} | n \rangle_{T-v}$$

- **Reduced symmetry group** in the lattice formulation:  $SO(4) \xrightarrow{\text{broken}} SW_4$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Analyze operators in terms of irreps of  $SW_4$  of given mass dimension

Gluonic contributions to EMT	dim.	irrep.	–
$\mathbf{1} \delta_{\mu\nu}$	<b>0</b>	<b>singlet</b>	cancel against $T = 0$
$T_F^{-1/4} \text{tr} [F^{\mu\rho} F^{\mu\rho}] \delta_{\mu\nu}$	<b>4</b>	<b>singlet</b>	mixes with dim = 0
$T_F \text{tr} [F^{\mu\rho} F^{\mu\rho} - F^{\nu\rho} F^{\nu\rho}] [1 - \delta_{\mu\nu}]$	<b>4</b>	<b>triplet</b>	$O_0 \equiv T_F T_G^{(3)}$
$T_F \text{tr} [F^{\mu\rho} F^{\nu\rho} + F^{\nu\rho} F^{\mu\rho}] [1 - \delta_{\mu\nu}]$	<b>4</b>	<b>sextet</b>	vanishes at rest

- EMT components on lattice need **renormalization**  $T_G^{(3)R} = Z_T^{(3)} T_G^{(3)B}$
- $Z_T^{(3)} \equiv z_T Z_T^{(6)}$ : non-perturbative finite momentum **Ward Identities** (WI)  
 $z_T, Z_T^{(6)}$  in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  for plaquette action from *Giusti, Pepe, PRD 91 (2015); PLB 769 (2017)*
- **Higher-twist**:  $O_m, m \geq 1$  mix with lower-twist,  $T$ -dependent operators  
 $\Rightarrow$  **no cancellation** vs  $T = 0$ ! mixing not studied systematically yet  
 $\Rightarrow$  Consider  $q^- \rightarrow \infty$  first: higher-twist operators do **NOT** contribute!

# Leading-twist operator for a pure gauge plasma

$$O_0 \equiv \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \frac{\text{tr} [F^{3j} F^{3j} - F^{4j} F^{4j}]}{T^4} | n \rangle_{T-V}$$

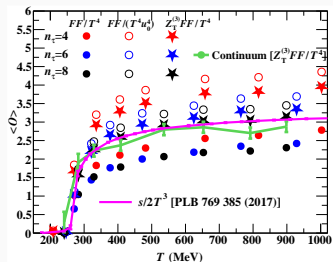
- We use Wilson plaquette action in pure gauge theory
- The renormalized lattice result

$$O_0^R[a(g_0^2), T = 1/N_\tau a(g_0^2)] =$$

$$Z^{(3)}(g_0^2) O_0^B[a(g_0^2), T = 1/N_\tau a(g_0^2)]$$

is extrapolated at fixed  $T$  to the continuum via  $1/N_\tau^2 = (aT)^2 \rightarrow 0$

- For  $N_\tau > 4$ : cutoff effects  $\sim 10\%$



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Renormalized triplet comp. in rest frame  $\Rightarrow$  entropy density  $T^{(3)R} = T_s = 2O_0^R$

Common approximation in lattice gauge theory: use tadpole factors

$$u_0(g_0^2) = \sqrt[4]{\langle \text{tr} [U_{\mu,\nu}] \rangle / N_c}$$

in place of renormalization factor:  $1/u_0^4(g_0^2) \approx Z_T^{(3)}(g_0^2)$ : overestimation  $\sim 10\%$

# QCD: explicit sea quarks as uninvited guests

$$O_0 \equiv \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \frac{\text{tr} [F^{3j} F^{3j} - F^{4j} F^{4j}]}{T^4} | n \rangle_{T=V}$$

- Symmetry breaking  $SO(4) \xrightarrow{\text{broken}} SW_4$  in QCD as in pure gauge theory  
 $\Rightarrow$  Quark contributions in same irreps of  $SW_4$ :  $T_Q^{(1)} \rightarrow T_Q^{(1)}$ ,  $T_Q^{(9)} \rightarrow \{T_Q^{(3)}, T_Q^{(6)}\}$

Fermionic contribution to EMT	dim.	irrep.	-
$\mathbf{1} \delta_{\mu\nu}$	<b>0</b>	<b>singlet</b>	cancels against $T = 0$
$m \psi\psi \delta_{\mu\nu}$	<b>4</b>	<b>singlet</b>	mixes with dim = 0
$\bar{\psi} [\gamma_\mu D_\mu - \gamma_\nu D_\nu] \psi [1 - \delta_{\mu\nu}]$	<b>4</b>	<b>triplet</b>	mixes with $T_G^{(3)}$
$\bar{\psi} [\gamma_\mu D_\nu + \gamma_\nu D_\mu] \psi [1 - \delta_{\mu\nu}]$	<b>4</b>	<b>sextet</b>	vanishes at rest

- Renormalization of EMT in QCD requires complete mixing matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_Q^{(3)R} \\ T_Q^{(3)R} \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{Z} \begin{pmatrix} T_G^{(3)B} \\ T_Q^{(3)B} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{Z} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{Z}_{GG}^{(3)} & \mathcal{Z}_{GQ}^{(3)} \\ \mathcal{Z}_{QG}^{(3)} & \mathcal{Z}_{QQ}^{(3)} \end{pmatrix}$$

- 1 Still missing the bare quark contribution  $\Rightarrow$  straightforward to compute
- 2 All four renormalization factors unknown for choice of action  $\Rightarrow$  could obtain 2 out of 4 via finite momentum WI via QCD in a moving frame

Dalla Brida, et al., JHEP 04 (2020)

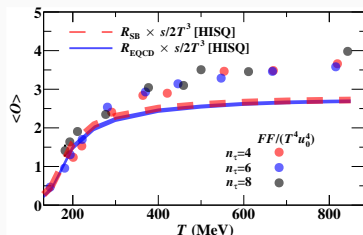
# QCD: estimating the influence of the sea quarks

$$O_0 \equiv \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \frac{\text{tr} [F^{3j} F^{3j} - F^{4j} F^{4j}]}{T^4} | n \rangle_{T-V}$$

- We use Symanzik + HISQ action in (2+1)-flavor QCD
- Mixing between  $T_G^{(i)}$  and  $T_Q^{(i)}$ :  $N_f$ -dependent coefficients smaller than  $N_f$  independent ones  $Z_T^{(i)}$  at 1-loop level (plaquette+Wilson)

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⇒ mixing  $\sim 10\%$  correction to  $T_G^{(i)R}$



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Compare  $\sigma_s^B/u_0^B$  to entropy density  $\tau^{(3)R} = \tau s$  rescaled by weak-coupling ratio

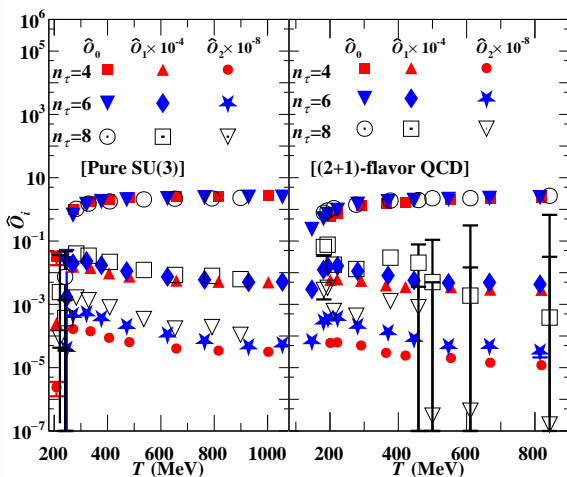
$$R \left( \frac{T}{T_c} \right) = \frac{[s^{N_f=0}/T^3](T/T_c)}{[s^{N_f=3}/T^3](T/T_c)} \quad \text{using} \quad T_c \approx \begin{cases} 270 \text{ MeV} & N_f = 0 \\ 155 \text{ MeV} & N_f = 3 \end{cases}$$

$N_f$ -dependent “critical” temperatures and  $T_F = 1/2$ ; deviation  $\lesssim 30\%$

We employ  $N_\tau = 6$  assuming  $Z_{GG}^{(3)} \approx 1/u_0^4$ ,  $Z_{GQ}^{(3)} \approx 0$ , 30% systematic error

## Higher twist on the lattice (I)

$$O_m = \frac{1}{q^-} \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \text{tr} [F^{3j}(0) \Delta^{2m} F^{3j}(0) - F^{4j}(0) \Delta^{2m} F^{4j}(0)] | n \rangle \quad \text{suppressed by} \quad \left[ \frac{T}{q^-} \right]^{2m}$$

assuming hard parton of  $q^- = 100 \text{ GeV}$ 



## Higher twist on the lattice (II)

$$O_m = \frac{1}{q^-} \sum_n \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z} \langle n | \text{tr} \left[ F^{3j}(0) \Delta^{2m} F^{3j}(0) - F^{4j}(0) \Delta^{2m} F^{4j}(0) \right] | n \rangle$$

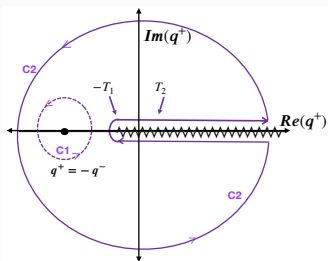
- Dimension six operators have many more  $SW_4$  irreps – not fully sorted
  - Covariant derivatives via finite differences on the lattice
- ⇒ Gauge-field dependence implies different renormalization of hopping and on-site terms, giving rise to obvious power-law divergences of form

$$\begin{aligned} O_1^B \equiv X_6^B &= \#_{6,i} Z_{6,i}^{-1} X_{6,i}^R(T) \\ &+ \#_{4,i} Z_{4,i}^{-1} X_{4,i}^R(T) a^{-2} \\ &+ \#_{1,i} \mathbf{1} a^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

- Instead could use  $q^+ = -xq^-$ ,  $x \sim 1$

$$\frac{1}{(q+k)^2} \simeq \frac{-1}{2x(q^-)^2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1-x}{x} k_0 + \frac{1+x}{x} k_3 \right]^m \frac{1}{\sqrt{2q^-}}$$

- Linear combination of different integrals could alleviate mixing

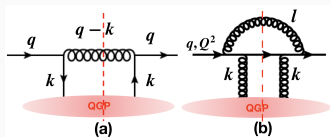


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## Missing contributions

- Hard parton at NLO interacting with non-perturbative medium  
 ⇒ Quite possible that NLO contribution is larger than the tree-level one

- **Flavor-changing scattering** diagrams generate corrections, suppressed by odd powers  $[T/q^-]^{2m+1} \Rightarrow$  more relevant than  $O_m$ ,  $m > 0$ .
- **not even considered yet** in published results using strict HTL perturbation theory or phenomenology
- Contribute both in QCD and in pure gauge theory: a presence of parton's flavor in the quark sea not necessary (but certainly important)



source: [arXiv:2010.14463](https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.14463)

- Emissions within the medium yield more complicated lattice operators  
 ⇒ similar issues as higher-twist ops.?

All approaches so far consider only **independent scattering events**.