

- 1) Static quarks (Polyakov loops) and deconfinement in QCD
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### Deconfinement and color screening

Onset of color screening is described in terms of the free energy of static quark anti-quark pair



 $F_Q < 0$  at high T ! LO:  $F_Q = -C_F \alpha_s m_D$  TUMQCD, PRD 98 (2018) 054511

Renormalization of the Polyakov loop using gradient flow

$$\dot{V}_t(x,\mu) = -g_0^2(\partial_{x,\mu}S[V_t])V_t(x,\mu) \ V_t(x,\mu)|_{t=0} = U(x,\mu)$$

Lüscher, JHEP 08 (2010) 071, Fodor et al, JHEP 1409 (2014) 018

Symanzik action

See talk by Kaczmarek

Use Symanzik flow to renormalize the Polyakov loop and reduce the noise



Agrees with the conventional renormalization procedure after x exp(C/T)

Casimir scaling of the Polyakov loop

Instead of fundamental representations consider Polyakov loop  $P_n$  in arbitrary representation n PP, Schadler, PRD92 (2015) 094517  $P_3 = L_{ren}$ 

The use of the gradient flow to renormalized reduces the noise in higher representations

Casimir scaling: free energy is proportional to quadratic Casimir operator  $C_n$  of rep n



Expected in weak coupling expansion: e.g. at LO  $F_Q^n = -C_n \alpha_s m_D$ 

Casimir scaling of the Polyakov loop (con't)

$$\delta_n = 1 - P_n^{1/R_n} / P_3$$



Casimir scaling holds for T>300 MeV color screening like in weakly coupled QGP?

Breaking of Casimir scaling first appear at order  $\alpha_s^4$  in the weak coupling expansion Berwein et al, PRD93 (2016) 034010

Similar findings at high *T* in SU(N) gauge theories Redlich, Satz, PLB 213 (1988) 191; Gupta et al, PRD 77 (2008) 034503

# Fluctuations of the Polyakov loop

The gradient flow allows us to renormalize also the fluctuations of the Polyakov loop and study the deconfinement transition

$$\chi = VT^3 \left( \langle |L|^2 \rangle - \langle |L| \rangle^2 \right) \qquad \frac{ha}{di}$$

has a peak in SU(N) gauge theories and diverges in the  $V \to \infty$  limit



TUMQCD, PRD 93 (2016) 114502

- Polyakov loop fluctuations show only small cutoff dependence if any
- There is a significant dependence on the flow time
- Polyakov loop fluctuations show a peak at  $T \approx 180-200$  MeV which is larger than  $T_c$

## Fluctuations of the Polyakov loop (cont'd)

One can also study fluctuations of the real and imaginary part of the Polyakov loop

$$\chi_L = VT^3 \left( \langle (\text{Re}L)^2 \rangle - \langle |L| \rangle^2 \right) \qquad \qquad \chi_T = VT^3 \langle (\text{Im}L)^2 \rangle$$

Lo et al, PRD88 (2012) 014506





 $\chi_T$  has a peak at the chiral transition temperature  $T_c$ 

 $\chi_L$  is similar to  $\chi$ 

Polyakov loop and gas of static-light hadrons

$$Z_{Q\bar{Q}}(T)/Z(T) = \sum_{n} \exp(-E_n^{Q\bar{Q}}(r \to \infty)/T)$$

Energies of static-light hadrons:

$$E_n^{Q\bar{Q}}(r o \infty) = 2M_n^{static-light} - 2m_Q$$

Free energy of an isolated static quark:

$$F_Q(T) = -\frac{1}{2}(T \ln Z_{Q\bar{Q}}(T) - T \ln Z(T))$$

At very low temperature  $F_Q$  or  $L_{ren}$  is determined by the lightest static-light hadrons: 6 meson and 21 baryon states if counting spin-isospin degeneracies

Megias, Arriola, Salcedo, PRL 109 (12) 151601

Number of colors  

$$3L_{bare} = 4 \exp(-M^0/T) + 2 \exp(-M_s^0/T) + \sum_I \sum_j (2I+1)(2j+1) \exp(-M_{I,j}^{B0}/T),$$

Masses depend on the UV cutoff

At higher temperatures interactions between the static light hadrons and the medium have to be taken into account and it is assumed these are mediated by resonances => HRG of static-light hadrons

$$L_{ren} = \frac{1}{3} \exp(-\Delta/T)(4 + 2\exp(-E_0^s/T) + \sum_{n,I,j} (2I+1)(2j+1)\exp(-E_{n,I,j}/T))$$
  

$$E_0^s = M_s^0 - M^0, E_{n,I,j} = M_{n,I,j} - M^0$$
Bazavov, PP, PRD 87 (2013) 094505

Polyakov loop and gas of static-light hadrons

Need to determine  $E_0^s$  and  $M_{n,j,I}$ 

Use massed of  $D, D_s, B$  and  $B_s$  mesons from PDG to get  $E_0^s \simeq 84 \text{ MeV}$ 

 $E_{n,j,I}$  from lattice QCD for ground and lower excited states Michael, Schindler, Wagner, JHEP 1008 (2010) 009, Wagner, Wiese, JHEP 1107 (2011) 016 Bali et al, arXiv:1108.6147

 $E_{n,j,I}$  from heavy-light potential model for higher excited states Godfrey, Isgur, PRD32 (1985) 189; Godfrey, Kokoski PRD43 (1991) 1679; Ebert et al, PRD57 (1998) 5663, PRD 84 (2011) 014025; Capstick, Isgur, PRD34 (1986) 2809



Polyakov and gas of static-light hadrons

Match to the continuum lattice result on  $F_Q \Rightarrow \Delta = 593 \pm 18 \text{ MeV}$ 

Bazavov, PP, PRD 87 (2013) 094505



Gas of static-light hadrons only works for T < 145 MeV and there is a clear disagreement with the lattice data at higher temperature

Lattice data have an inflection point around T=150-160 MeV

The entropy of static quark

The inflection point of  $L_{ren}(T)$  can define a deconfinement transition temperature but depends on the normalization However, the entropy  $\partial F_O$ 

 $S_Q = -\frac{\partial F_Q}{\partial T}$ 

does not depend on normalization and carries the same information about deconfinement and color screening  $\Rightarrow$  define  $T_{deconf}$  from  $S_Q$ 





The onset of screening corresponds to peak is  $S_Q$  and its position coincides with  $T_c$ 

### Charm fluctuations and charm-baryon number correlations

$$\chi_{klmn}^{BQSC} = T^{k+l+m+n} \frac{\partial^{(k+l+m+n)} [P(\mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S, \mu_C)/T^4]}{\partial \mu_B^k \partial \mu_Q^l \mu_S^m \partial \mu_C^n} \bigg|_{\vec{\mu}=0}$$

 $m_c \gg T$   $\longrightarrow$  only |C|=1 sector contributes

#### Bazavov et al, PLB737 (2014) 210





In the hadronic phase all *BC*-correlations are the same !

Hadronic description breaks down just above  $T_c$  $\Rightarrow$  open charm deconfines above  $T_c$ ?

## Baryon-charm correlations and "missing" charm baryons

Charmed baryon spectrum is poorly known Ebert et al, PRD84 (2011) 014025



Bazavov et al, PLB737 (2014) 210

$$p_c(T,\mu_C,\mu_B) = \sum_M \frac{g_M}{2\pi^2} \frac{m_M^2}{T^2} K_2(m_M/T) \cosh(\mu_C/T) + \sum_B \frac{g_B}{2\pi^2} \frac{m_B^2}{T^2} K_2(m_B/T) \cosh((\mu_C + \mu_B)/T)$$

## Baryon-charm correlations and "missing" charm baryons



Lattice artifacts largely cancel out in the ratios that are proxies for the charm baryon pressure to charm meson pressure

### Bazavov et al, PLB737 (2014) 210

HRG works only if the "missing" states are included

### Quasi-particle model for charm degrees of freedom

Charm dof are good quasi-particles at all T because  $M_c >> T$  and Boltzmann approximation holds

 $p^{C}(T, \mu_{B}, \mu_{c}) = p_{q}^{C}(T) \cosh(\hat{\mu}_{C} + \hat{\mu}_{B}/3) + p_{B}^{C}(T) \cosh(\hat{\mu}_{C} + \hat{\mu}_{B}) + p_{M}^{C}(T) \cosh(\hat{\mu}_{C})$  $\hat{\mu}_{X} = \mu_{X}/T$  $\hat{\mu}_{X} = \mu_{X}/T$ 

Partial meson and baryon pressures described by HRG at  $T_c$  and dominate the charm pressure then drop gradually, charm quark only dominant dof at T>200 MeV





• Polyakov loop in QCD behaves quite differently from the SU(N), where it is an order parameter;  $L_{ren}$  is quite small at  $T_c$ 

• Gradient flow can be used to study renormalized Polyakov loop in different representations as well as the fluctuations of Polyakov loops

• Fluctuations of Polyakov loops in QCD do not show the expected characteristic behavior near  $T_c$ , though its imaginary part may

• The entropy of a static quark shows a peak at  $T_c$ , and in this sense deconfinement and chiral transitions coincide

• HRG model for static-light hadrons does not describe the Polyakov loop

• Charm-baryon number correlations are described by HRG if the missing charm baryons are included

• Charm-baryon number correlations above  $T_c$  are consistent with existence of charm hadron like excitations for  $T \le 200$  MeV