

Screening masses towards chiral limit

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O(4)



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Gattringer, Lang: Quantum Chromodynamics on the Lattice



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e.g. $O_{\pi^+}(n_{\tau/s}) = \bar{d}(n_{\tau/s})\gamma_5 u(n_{\tau/s}) \rightarrow$ $C_{\pi}(n) = \langle O_{\pi}(n)O_{\pi}^{\dagger}(0) \rangle = \sum_k \langle 0| O_{\pi}(0) |k \rangle \langle k| O_{\pi}^{\dagger}(0) |0 \rangle \exp(-naE_k)$

If $U_A(1)$ is effectively restored

- C_{a_0} and C_{π} degenerate
- $\rightarrow\,$ corresponding masses also degenerate





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- \blacktriangleright AV-V degenerate at $T_{\rm pc}$
- ▶ S-PS degenerate at $\approx 1.3 T_{\rm pc} \rightarrow U_A(1)$ effectively restored

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Why? Susceptibilities independent of multiple state fits



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- first thermodynamic limit $N_s o \infty$
- then continuum limit $N_{ au} o \infty$
- finally chiral limit $m_l \to 0$



Thermodynamic limit for screening masses is

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where c = 3 for T = 0, c = 1 for $T \to \infty$. Therefore $c \in [1, 3]$ for any T.

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Assumptions:

- ▶ $m_{N_s \to \infty/N_\tau}$ and b_{N_τ} depends on N_τ , particle type (e.g. pion) and T
- \blacktriangleright c only depends on T
- \Rightarrow combined fit for pseudoscalar and scalar particle for different N_τ possible with shared parameter c

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Thermodynamic limit of screening masses





 $T = 148 \text{ MeV} m_*/m_l = 80$

 \blacktriangleright $N_s \rightarrow \infty$ at fixed N_τ

- \blacktriangleright combined fit with shared c for $N_{\tau} = 6, 8, 12$ for the scalar and pseudoscalar mass
- fits dominated by small uncertainty for the pseudoscalar particle

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- ▶ $N_s \rightarrow \infty$ extrapolated masses ▶ only for two *T* for all N_τ values
- continuum limit possible
- ▶ $1/N_{\tau}^2$ dependence expected

Screening masses in chiral limit



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masses degenerate at high T

• degenerate at $T_c = 132^{+3}_{-6}$ MeV?

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Thermodynamic limit of susceptibilities



 χ_{π} related to dimensionless order parameter of chiral condensate M. Thermodynamic limit can be obtained using finite size scaling function (compare to talk of A. Lahiri).

Regular correction for χ_{δ} expected

$$\chi_{\delta}(N_s) = \chi_{\delta}(\infty) + g(N_{\tau})\frac{1}{V} = \chi_{\delta}(\infty) + d(N_{\tau})\frac{1}{N_s^3}.$$

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Switching the boundary conditions in the temporal direction from anti-periodic to periodic we change the nature of valence quarks from fermionic to bosonic states

- mesons are always bosons
- $\rightarrow\,$ screening mass at low T unchanged
- \blacktriangleright around and above $T_{\rm pc}$ meson splits into quark states
- $\rightarrow\,$ split in screening masses for anti-periodic and periodic temporal boundary conditions
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 $\blacktriangleright m_{\pi} = 80 \text{ MeV}$

- periodic temporal BC: Bosons
- anti-periodic temporal BC: Fermions
- \blacktriangleright split before $T_{
 m pc}$



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Summary



- scaling behavior of observables around critial point depends on universality class of critical point
- ▶ $U_A(1)$ distinguishes between O(4) and other universality classes
- $U_A(1)$ symmetry can be checked via screening meson correlators
- splitting of screening masses for periodic and anti-periodic temporal boundary condition around and above T_{pc}



Outlook

- limits have to be taken \rightarrow continuum limit, chiral limit
- limits for susceptibilities
- \blacktriangleright splitting T periodic and anti-periodic temporal boundary condition
- compare with other methods ightarrow chiral condensate, topology

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Appendix