

Master-field simulations of QCD

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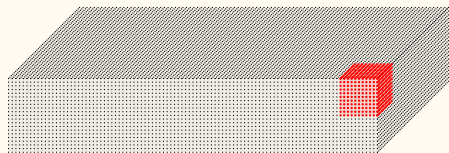
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in collaboration with

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replace classical (Markov chain) ensemble with a single master-field



$$\frac{V_4^{\text{mf}}}{V_4} = \prod_{i=0}^3 N_i \simeq 100 - 1000$$

„Stochastic locality“

- QCD field variables in distant regions fluctuate largely independent
- their distribution is everywhere the same (with periodic bc.)
- translation averages of observables $\langle\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle\rangle = V^{-1} \sum_z \mathcal{O}(x+z)$ coincide with their field-theoretical expectation values up to $O(V^{-1/2})$ corrections, provided localisation range of $\mathcal{O} \ll$ lattice extent

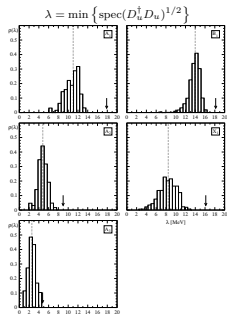
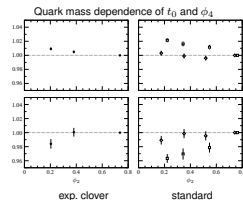
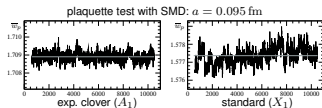
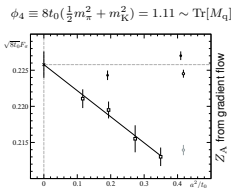
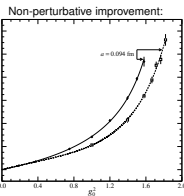
Concept successfully applied to SU(3) YM theory.^[2]

QCD with Wilson fermions requires additional stability measures.^[3]

Multiple checks against std SW-improved action^[8-10]



$N_f = 2 + 1$ published^[3]



ID	a/fm	β	$T \cdot L^3$	$\frac{m_\pi}{\text{MeV}}$	$\frac{m_K}{\text{MeV}}$	Lm_π	b.c.	status	$\langle P_{\text{acc}} \rangle$	$R_{\text{spk}}[\%]$
A_1	0.095	3.8	$96 \cdot 32^3$	410	410	6.3	P	✓	97.5%	0.19(10)
A_2			$96 \cdot 32^3$	294	458	4.5	P	✓	98.6%	0.19(10)
A_3			$96 \cdot 32^3$	220	478	3.4	P	✓	98.1%	0.10(7)
B_1	0.064	4.0	$96 \cdot 48^3$	410	410	6.4	P	✓	98.8%	0.0
C_1	0.055	4.1	$96 \cdot 48^3$	410	410	5.5	O	✓	98.7%	0.0

$\beta = 3.8$ SMD simulations: ($\gamma = 0.3, \epsilon = 0.31, 2\text{-lvOMF-4}, N_{\text{pf}} \leq 8, R_{\text{deg}} \leq 10$)



1st dynamical master-field simulations

- M. Cé, M. Bruno, J. Bulava, A. Francis, P. F, J. Green, M. Lüscher, A. Rago, M. Hansen.
- $N_f = 2 + 1$ + stabilising measures^[3]
- $a = 0.095$ fm, $m_\pi = 270$ MeV
- using openQCD-2.0^[11] and 60 Mch from PRACE

1st dynamical master-field simulations

running on superMUC-NG @ LRZ, Munich

Goal: show viability of master-field approach

2 master-field lattices at coarse lattice spacing $a = 0.095$ fm

- 96^4 ($L = 9$ fm) at $m_\pi = 270$ MeV = $2m_\pi^{\text{phys}}$
- 192^4 ($L = 18$ fm) at $m_\pi \leq 270$ MeV

Follow well-established thermalisation strategy:

- start from smaller lattices + periodically extend one direction at a time
- adapt algorithmic parameters as needed
- iterate

starting from A_2 lattice ($m_\pi = 294$ MeV):

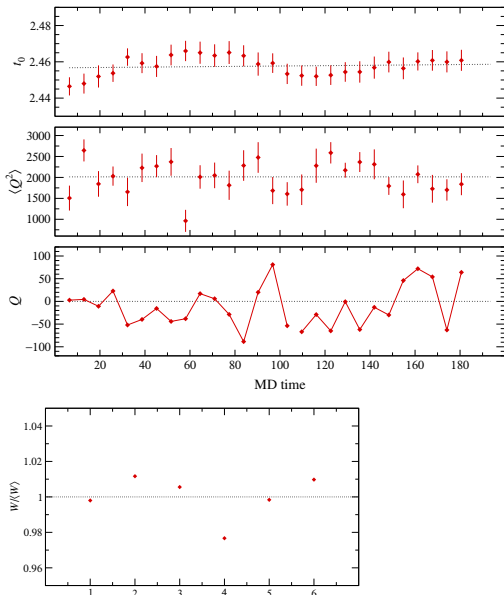
- change hopping parameter to target and twisted-mass $\mu_0 = 0$
- $96 \times 32^3 \rightarrow 96^2 \times 32^2 \rightarrow 96^3 \times 32 \rightarrow 96^4$

	lattice	#cores	t_{SMD} [sec]	t_{MDU} [sec]	Mcore-h	MDU
Thermalisation cost for 1st master-field:	96×32^3	16 · 48	246	794	0.03	155
	$96^2 \times 32^2$	48 · 48	277	1108	0.09	125
	$96^3 \times 32$	64 · 48	672	2800	0.42	176
	96^4	128 · 48	1080	5020	1.77	206
	total:				2.31	662

subsequently $96^4 \rightarrow 192^4$ with gradually changed pion mass

Monitoring observables

96^4 , $a = 0.095$ fm, $m_\pi = 270$ MeV, $Lm_\pi = 12.5$ ($L = 9$ fm)



Simulations without TM-reweighting:

- no spikes in ΔH
- $\langle e^{-\Delta H} \rangle = 1$ within errors
- acceptance rate 98% or higher
- checked that $\sigma(\hat{D}_s) \in [r_a, r_b]$ of Zolotarev rational approximation
- adapt solver tolerances to exclude statistically relevant effects of numerical inaccuracies
- autocorrelation times: 20-30 MDU
- std.-deviation σ_W of strange-quark „reweighting factors“ within strict bound

$$\frac{\sigma_W}{\langle W \rangle} \leq 0.1$$

to guarantee unbiased results

1st dynamical master-field simulations



Thermalisation towards 192⁴

Obstacle:

very large physical volumes (periodic b.c.) still promote issues
(at least at coarse lattice spacing)
they could always be solved through restarts so far

We observe

- deflated solver fails occasionally for the little Dirac op.
- spikes in ΔH
- no. of such events increases with larger V and smaller m_π
- origin unknown (multiple sources?)

Mitigation strategy?

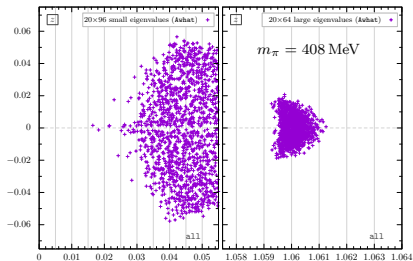
- require better understanding of the problem (algorithmic and/or physical origin?)
- use fallback-solver (less performant)
- ...

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Study deflation subspace



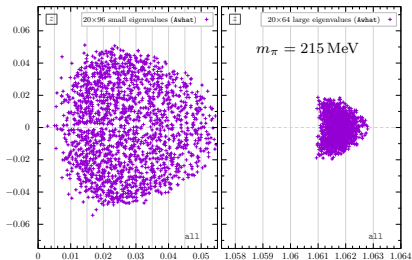
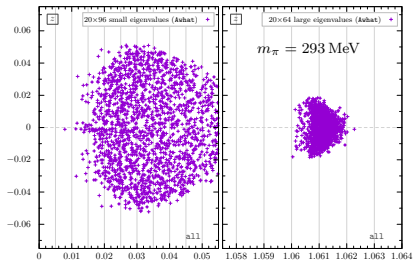
Small/Large eigenvalue spectrum of eo-preconditioned DFL operator A_{what} on A-lattices (96×32^3):



Deflation subspace \Leftrightarrow „low-modes“ $\{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_{N_s}\}$

$$A_w = P_0 D P_0 \quad : \text{restricted Dirac op.}$$

P_0 : orthogonal projector to DFL subspace



Upgrade of openQCD

to support multilevel deflation in version 2.0.2



Possible solution: Multilevel deflation

- effectively results in a preconditioning of the std. little Dirac op.
- introduce stack of deflation subspaces (block grid levels $0 \leq k \leq k_{\max}$)
- little Dirac ops. at block-level k : $A_k = P_k A_{k-1} P_k = P_k D P_k$
- derived from the same set of global low modes $\{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_{N_s}\}$ (at top level, k_{\max})
- especially large lattices profit from additional levels (smaller cost)
- projection/lifting now implemented in double precision for stability (larger cost)

Thermalisation cost:

lattice	#cores	$\bar{t}_{\text{SMD}}[\text{sec}]$	$\bar{t}_{\text{MDU}}[\text{h}]$	Mcore-h	MDU
192×96^3	$128 \cdot 48$	2740	794	2.32	95
$192^2 \times 96^2$	$256 \cdot 48$	3080	4.73	2.54	45
$192^3 \times 96$	$512 \cdot 48$	3190	5.34	4.49	35
192^4	$768 \cdot 48$	4789	9.71	35.12	102
total:				44.47	277

Master-field simulations



Thermalising 192^4 ($a = 0.094$ fm, $m_\pi = 270$ MeV) at LRZ using 768 nodes (36864 cores)

openQCD-2.0.2: multilevel DFL solver (full double prec.)

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SMD parameters:
actions = 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
npf = 8
mu = 0.0 0.0012 0.012 0.12 1.2
nlv = 2
gamma = 0.3
eps = 0.137
iacc = 1

...

Rational 0:
degree = 12
range = [0.012,8.1]

Level 0:
4th order OMF integrator
Number of steps = 1
Forces = 0

Level 1:
4th order OMF integrator
Number of steps = 2
Forces = 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Update cycle no 48
dH = -1.4e-02, iac = 1
Average plaquette = 1.708999
Action 1: <status> = 0
Action 2: <status> = 0 [0,0|0,0]
Action 3: <status> = 0 [0,0|0,0]
Action 4: <status> = 0 [0,0|0,0]
Action 5: <status> = 2 [5,2|7,6]
Action 6: <status> = 271
Action 7: <status> = 21 [3,2|5,3]
Action 8: <status> = 22 [3,2|5,3]
Field 1: <status> = 139
Field 2: <status> = 31 [3,2|6,4]
Field 3: <status> = 38 [5,3|8,7]
Field 4: <status> = 33 [5,2|7,6]
Field 5: <status> = 267
Field 6: <status> = 26 [3,2|5,3]
Field 7: <status> = 24 [3,2|5,3]
Force 1: <status> = 91
Force 2: <status> = 22 [3,2|6,4];23 [3,2|5,4]
Force 3: <status> = 28 [5,3|7,6];30 [5,3|7,6]
Force 4: <status> = 29 [5,2|7,6];32 [5,2|7,6]
Force 5: <status> = 28 [5,2|7,5];30 [5,2|7,6]
Force 6: <status> = 303
Force 7: <status> = 22 [3,2|5,3];23 [3,2|5,3]
Force 8: <status> = 23 [3,2|5,3];26 [3,2|5,3]
Modes 0: <status> = 0,0|0,0
Modes 1: <status> = 4,2|5,5 (no of updates = 4)
Acceptance rate = 1.000000
Time per update cycle = 4.34e+03 sec (average = 4.38e+03 sec)
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Cost: 0.33 Mch / MDU => 10 Mch / indep. cnfg => 30 Mch / 3 indep. master-fields

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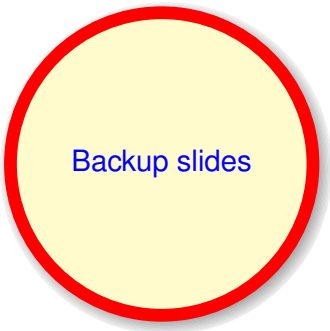
Summary

192⁴ runs mostly smoothly at $m_\pi = 270$ MeV, $a = 0.095$ fm ($\mu_0 = 0$)

- 96⁴ + 192⁴ master-field lattice ready for physics applications ✓
- master-field approach not compatible with reweighting techniques ✗
- stabilising measures with exponential clover improve our ability to simulate coarse lattice spacings ✓
- very large volumes (or m_π^{phys}), like (18 fm)⁴, still challenging but doable ✓
- No Free Lunch theorem confirmed: stability & accuracy have a cost
- observed issues will be further investigated & reported
- we move on: smaller lattice spacing, lighter pion masses
- ...



stay tuned: next talk (M. Cè) provides 1st physics calculations on master-fields



Backup slides



General caveats: volume dependence, sampling, reversibility, ...

→ Suggestion:

Stochastic Molecular Dynamics (SMD) algorithm^[4-7]

Refresh $\pi(x, \mu)$, $\phi(x)$ by random field rotation

$$\pi \rightarrow c_1 \pi + c_2 v, \quad c_1 = \exp(-\epsilon \gamma), \quad c_2 = (1 - c_1^2)^{1/2}$$

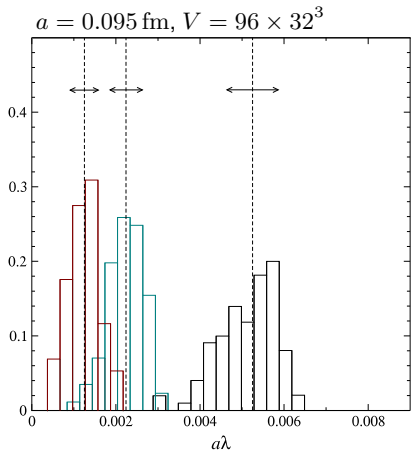
$$\phi \rightarrow c_1 \phi + c_2 D^\dagger \eta, \quad (\gamma > 0: \text{friction parameter; } \epsilon: \text{MD integration time})$$

+ MD evolution + accept-reject step + repeat

- ergodic^[12] for sufficiently small ϵ
- exact algorithm
- significant reduction of unbounded energy violations $|\Delta H| \gg 1$
- a bit “slower” than HMC but compensated by shorter autocorrelation times
- smooth changes in ϕ_t, U_t improve update of deflation subspace

Towards large scale simulations

How does the lowest eigenvalue distribution scale with quark mass?



$$m_\pi = 410 \text{ MeV}, m_\pi L = 6.3$$

$$m_\pi = 294 \text{ MeV}, m_\pi L = 4.5$$

$$m_\pi = 220 \text{ MeV}, m_\pi L = 3.4$$

(historical data missing for detailed comparison)

Overall behaviour of smallest eigenvalue

- $a\lambda = \min \{ \text{spec}(D_u^\dagger D_u)^{1/2} \}$
($a\lambda = 0.001 \sim 2 \text{ MeV}$)
- median $\mu \propto Zm$
- width σ decreases with m
- somewhat similar to $N_f = 2$ case^[13]
(unimproved Wilson)
- (non-)Gaussian ?
- empirical:^[13] $\sigma \simeq a/\sqrt{V}$



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