

# Light pseudo-scalar meson mass: effect of temperature and magnetic field

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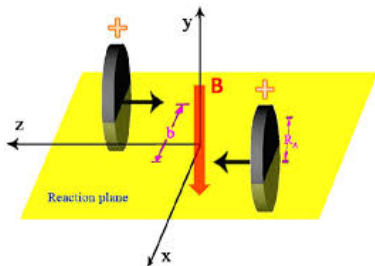
# Presentation Outline

- 1 Brief Motivation
- 2 The two and three-flavor Nambu-Jona-Lasinio (NJL) Model
- 3 Meson Mass under Strong Magnetic Fields
- 4 Conclusions and Future Perspectives

# Motivation for the study of strong magnetic fields



(a) Magnetar in the star cluster Westerlund 1



(b) collision Au+Au,  $b=10\text{fm}$ , COM-Energy =  $\sqrt{s}=200\text{ GeV}$

- Magnetars: special class of neutron stars (surface field  $B \sim 10^{15}$  Gauss)
- Non-central heavy-ion collisions ( $B \sim 10^{20}$  Gauss)  
But probably the duration of the field is short ( $\sim 1\text{fm}/c$ )
- To contribute to a better understanding of the Meson structure under strong magnetic fields
- Validate effective models used in the non-perturbative domain of QCD  $\rightarrow$  exploring recent lattice QCD calculations of Meson Masses

credits: ESO, heavy-ion collision figure from: "Electromagnetic fields and anomalous transports in heavy-ion collisions - A pedagogical review", Xu-Guang Huang - arxiv: 1509.04073

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## Negative points:

- Model is non-renormalizable (needs regularization, i. e.,  $\Lambda$ -cutoff, part of the model )
- Interaction is not confining (no gluons or color charge)  
Meson mass is unstable against decay into a pair  $q\bar{q}$  above a certain threshold.

## Lagrangian Density of the Two-flavor NJL model:

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interaction terms :  $\mathcal{L}_{sym} + \mathcal{L}_{t' Hooft}$ , (4 – point interaction + 6 – point interaction)

$$\mathcal{L}_{sym} = G \sum_{a=0}^8 \left[ (\bar{\psi}\lambda_a\psi)^2 + (\bar{\psi}i\gamma_5\lambda_a\psi)^2 \right] \quad (U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R \text{ symmetric})$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{t' Hooft} = -K \left[ \det_f (\bar{\psi} (1 + \gamma_5) \psi) + \det_f (\bar{\psi} (1 - \gamma_5) \psi) \right] \quad (\text{breaks } U_A(1) \text{ symmetry}),$$

$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_u \\ \psi_d \\ \psi_s \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{m} = \begin{pmatrix} m_u & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_s \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} q_u = 2e/3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & q_d = -e/3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & q_s = -e/3 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$A^\mu = (0, 0, Bx, 0) \rightarrow \vec{B} = B\hat{z} (\text{Landau gauge}) \text{ and we take } m = m_u = m_d \neq m_s.$$

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$$(\bar{\psi}\psi)^2 \cong 2 \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle \bar{\psi}\psi - \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle^2 , \quad (\bar{\psi}i\gamma_5\bar{\tau}\psi)^2 \cong 0 , \quad (\langle \bar{\psi}i\gamma_5\bar{\tau}\psi \rangle = 0 \text{ (symmetry)}) ,$$

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$$\hat{M} = \text{diag}(M_u, M_d, M_s) , \quad \phi_f \equiv \langle \bar{\psi}_f\psi_f \rangle , \quad f \in (u, d, s) , \quad \text{quark condensate}$$

$$M_i = m_i - 4G\phi_i + 2K\phi_j\phi_k , \quad (i, j, k) \text{ any permutation of } (i, j, k)$$

# SU(2)-NJL: Pole Meson Mass Calculation

Expanding the bosonized action around the MF values:

$$S_{bos} = -\ln \det \tilde{D} + \frac{1}{4G} \int d^4x (\sigma(x)\sigma(x) + \vec{\pi}(x) \cdot \vec{\pi}(x)) \equiv S_{bos}^{MFA} + S_{bos}^{quad},$$

$$S_{bos}^{MFA} = -\frac{N_c}{V(4)} \sum_{f=u,d} \int d^4x d^4x' \text{tr}_D \ln(S_f)^{-1}(x, x') + \frac{\bar{\sigma}^2}{4G},$$

$$S_{bos}^{quad} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{M=\sigma, \pi^0, \pi^\pm} \int d^4x \int d^4x' \delta M(x)^* \left[ \frac{1}{2G} \delta^{(4)}(x-x') - J_M(x, x') \right] \delta M(x'),$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\pi^0}^{quad} &= \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \int d^4x' \delta\pi_0(x)^* \left[ \frac{1}{2G} \delta^{(4)}(x-x') - J_{\pi^0}(x, x') \right] \delta\pi_0(x') \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int d^4q \delta\pi_0(-q) \underbrace{\left[ \frac{1}{2G} - J_{\pi^0}(q_\perp^2, q_\parallel^2) \right]}_{\text{inverse propagator}} \delta\pi_0(q) \end{aligned}$$

## Polarization Function

$$J_{\pi^0}(q_\perp^2, q_\parallel^2) = \sum_{f=u,d} N_c \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr}_D \left[ \tilde{S}_f(p + \frac{q}{2}) \gamma_5 \tilde{S}_f(p - \frac{q}{2}) \gamma_5 \right] = \sum_{f=u,d} c_{ff}(q)$$

(ref. M. Coppola, D. G. Dumm and N. Scoccola, PLB 782 (2018), 155.) 

## SU(3)-NJL Model: Meson Pole Mass Calculation

$$S_E = \int d^4x \left[ \bar{\psi} (-i\not{D} + \hat{m}) \psi - G \sum_{a=0}^8 \left[ (\bar{\psi} \lambda_a \psi)^2 + (\bar{\psi} i\gamma_5 \lambda_a \psi)^2 \right] + K (d_+ + d_-) \right],$$

$$\psi = (\psi_u, \psi_d, \psi_s)^T, \quad d_{\pm} = \det [\bar{\psi} (1 \pm \gamma_5) \psi] \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{m} = \text{diag} (m_u, m_d, m_s)$$

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$$S_{bos}^{MFA} = -\frac{N_c}{V(4)} \sum_{f=u,d,s} \int d^4x d^4x' \text{tr}_D \ln(S_f)^{-1}(x, x') + 2G \sum_{f=u,d,s} \phi_f^2 - 4K \phi_u \phi_d \phi_s,$$

$$S_{bos}^{quad} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x' d^4x \sum_{P, P'} \delta P^*(x) \underbrace{\mathcal{G}_{P, P'}(x, x')}_{\text{Inverse Propagator}} \delta P'(x'), \quad P, P' = \pi_3, \pi^{\pm}, K^0, \bar{K}^0, K^{\pm}, \eta_0, \eta_8.$$

For details see: Sidney S. Avancini, Máximo Coppola, Norberto N. Scoccola, Joana C. Sodr e, Phys. Rev. D 104, 094040 (2021)

## Polarization Function - Neutral Mesons

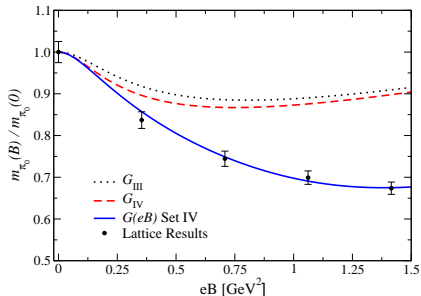
$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{ff'}(q) &\equiv c_{ff'}^B(q_{\perp}^2, q_{\parallel}^2) = N_c \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr}_D \left[ \tilde{S}_f(p + \frac{q}{2}) \gamma_5 \tilde{S}_{f'}(p - \frac{q}{2}) \gamma_5 \right] = \\
 &= 2N_c \int_0^{\infty} d\tau \int_0^{\infty} d\tau' \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \\
 &\times \exp \left[ -\tau \left( M^2 + p_{\parallel+}^2 + p_{\perp+}^2 + \frac{\tanh(B_f \tau)}{\tau B_f} \right) \right] \times \exp \left[ -\tau' \left( M^2 + p_{\parallel-}^2 + p_{\perp-}^2 + \frac{\tanh(B_{f'} \tau')}{\tau' B_{f'}} \right) \right] \\
 &\times \text{tr}_D \left( \left[ (M - p_{\parallel+} \cdot \gamma_{\parallel}) \Pi_+^f(\tau) - \frac{p_{\perp+} \cdot \gamma_{\perp}}{\cosh^2(B_f \tau)} \right] \gamma_5 \right. \\
 &\times \left. \left[ (M - p_{\parallel-} \cdot \gamma_{\parallel}) \Pi_+^{f'}(\tau') - \frac{p_{\perp-} \cdot \gamma_{\perp}}{\cosh^2(B_{f'} \tau')} \right] \gamma_5 \right) , \quad p_{\parallel} \equiv (p_3, p_4) , \quad p_{\perp} \equiv (p_1, p_2) .
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{ff'}(q) &= \frac{N_c}{(2\pi)^2} \int_0^{\infty} dz \int_{-1}^1 dx e^{-\frac{z}{B_f} \left( M^2 + \frac{(1-x^2)}{4} q_{\parallel}^2 \right)} \\
 &\times \left\{ \left( M^2 - (1-x^2) \frac{q_{\parallel}^2}{4} + \frac{B_f}{z} \right) \times \coth z + \frac{1}{\sinh^2 z} \left[ B_f - \frac{1}{2} \left( \coth z - \frac{\cosh zx}{\sinh z} \right) q_{\perp}^2 \right] \right\} \\
 c_{ff'}^B(q_{\perp}^2, q_{\parallel}^2) &= \left( c_{ff'}^B(q_{\perp}^2, q_{\parallel}^2) - \lim_{B \rightarrow 0} c_{ff'}^B(q_{\perp}^2, q_{\parallel}^2) \right) + \lim_{B \rightarrow 0} c_{ff'}^B(q_{\perp}^2, q_{\parallel}^2) \\
 &= c_{ff'}^{\text{mag}}(q_{\perp}^2, q_{\parallel}^2) + \lim_{B \rightarrow 0} c_{ff'}^B(q_{\perp}^2, q_{\parallel}^2) \quad (\text{MFIR} - \text{Magnetic Field Independent Regularization}).
 \end{aligned}$$

# Meson Pole Mass Calculation - SU(2)-NJL Results

The  $\pi^0$  pole mass:

$$S_{\pi^0}^{quad} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4 q \delta\pi_0(-q) \left[ \frac{1}{2G} - J_{\pi^0}(q_{\perp}^2, q_{\parallel}^2) \right] \delta\pi_0(q),$$
$$q_{\perp}^2 = 0, q_3^2 = 0, q_4^2 = -m_{\pi^0}^2, 1 - 2G J_{\pi^0}(0, -m_{\pi^0}^2) = 0$$



Sidney S. Avancini, Ricardo L.S. Farias, Marcus Benghi Pinto, William R. Tavares, Varese S. Timóteo, PLB 767, 247 (2017)

# $\pi^0$ pole mass calculation

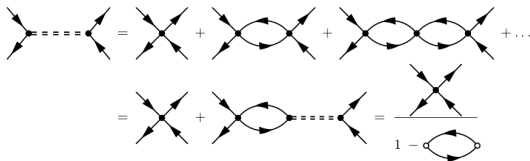


Figure: Diagrammatic representation of the RPA approximation.

$$1 - 2G J_{\pi^0}(q^2)|_{q^2=m_{\pi^0}^2} = 0.$$

$$J_{\pi^0}(q^2)|_{q_0^2=m_{\pi^0}^2} = J_1(q_0^2) + q_0^2 J_2(q_0^2) = 2N_c N_f \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left( \frac{1}{E} + \frac{q_0^2}{E(4E^2 - q_0^2)} \right) (1 - 2n(E))$$

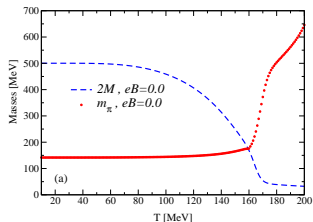
When  $B > 0$

$$J_{\pi^0}(q^2, B)|_{q_0^2=m_{\pi^0}^2} = J_1(q_0^2, B) + q_0^2 J_2(q_0^2, B)$$

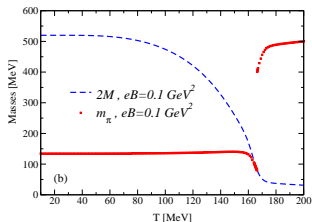
$$= N_c \sum_{f=u,d} \beta_f \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dp_3}{(2\pi)^2} \left( \frac{1}{E_n} + \frac{q_0^2}{4E_n(4E_n^2 - q_0^2)} \right) (1 - 2n(E_n)),$$

$$E_n = \sqrt{p_3^2 + M^2 + 2n|eB|}, \quad E = \sqrt{\vec{p}^2 + M^2}, \quad n(E) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(E/T)}, \quad g_n = (2 - \delta_{n0})$$

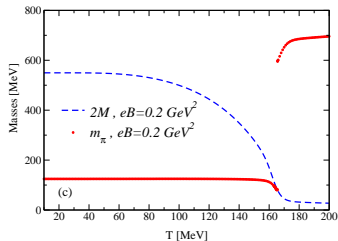
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(a)  $\pi_0$  pole mass,  $G(eB,T)$ ,  $eB=0$



(b)  $\pi_0$  pole mass,  $G(eB,T)$ ,  $eB=0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$



(c)  $\pi_0$  pole mass,  $G(eB,T)$ ,  $eB=0$



## SU(3) - Results - Neutral Mesons

neutral meson contribution to the quadratic action:

$$\begin{aligned} S_{neut.mes}^{\text{quad}} &= \frac{1}{2} \int_q \sum_{A=K^0, \bar{K}^0} \Pi_A^*(-q) \mathcal{G}_A(q_\perp^2, q_\parallel^2) \Pi_A(q) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \int_q \sum_{A,A'=\pi_3, \eta_0, \eta_8} \Pi_A^*(-q) \mathcal{G}_{A,A'}(q_\perp^2, q_\parallel^2) \Pi_{A'}(q). \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Inverse neutral kaon propagator is given by

$$\mathcal{G}_{K^0}(q_\perp^2, q_\parallel^2) = \mathcal{G}_{\bar{K}^0}(q_\perp^2, q_\parallel^2) = [2G - K\phi_u]^{-1} + c_{ds}(q_\perp^2, q_\parallel^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_{K^0}(q_\perp^2 = 0, q_\parallel^2 = -m_{K^0}^2) = 0.$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{G}_{\pi_3\pi_3} & \mathcal{G}_{\pi_3\eta_0} & \mathcal{G}_{\pi_3\eta_8} \\ \mathcal{G}_{\eta_0\pi_3} & \mathcal{G}_{\eta_0\eta_0} & \mathcal{G}_{\eta_0\eta_8} \\ \mathcal{G}_{\eta_8\pi_3} & \mathcal{G}_{\eta_0\eta_8} & \mathcal{G}_{\eta_8\eta_8} \end{pmatrix},$$

The physical meson  $\pi^0, \eta, \eta'$  pole-masses and widths  $\rightarrow$  roots of

$$\det[\mathcal{M}(m_A, \Gamma_A)] = 0 \quad (2)$$

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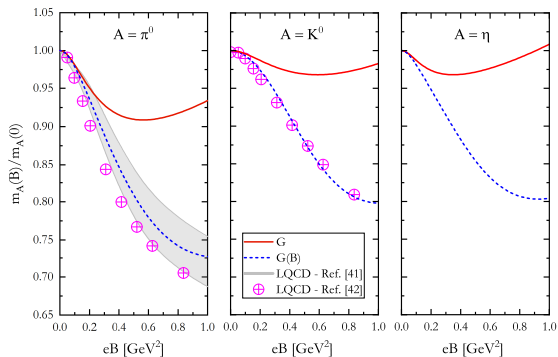


Figure: Normalized neutral meson masses as functions of  $eB$  for constant (red solid lines) and  $B$ -dependent (blue dashed lines) coupling  $G$ . LQCD results from Ref.[1] (grey band) and Ref.[2] (magenta circles) are added for comparison.

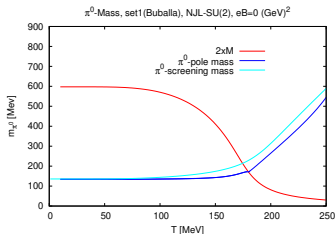
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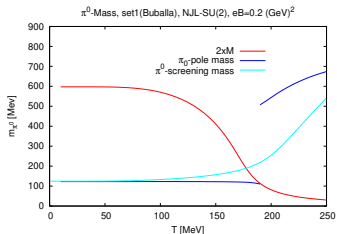
# Meson Screening Mass

The  $\pi^0$  screening mass:

$$\frac{1}{2G} - J_{\pi^0}(q_{\perp}^2, q_{\parallel}^2) = 0, \quad \begin{cases} m_{sc,\parallel} \rightarrow q_3^2 = -m_{sc,\parallel}^2, & q_4^2 = 0, & q_{\perp}^2 = 0, \\ m_{sc,\perp} \rightarrow q_{\perp}^2 = -m_{sc,\perp}^2, & q_4^2 = 0, & q_3^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$



(a)  $\pi^0$  pole and parallel screening masses,  $eB=0$



(b)  $\pi^0$  pole and parallel screening masses,  $eB=0.2\text{GeV}^2$

W. Florkowski and B. L. Friman, Acta Physica Polonica B, vol. 25(1994), p.49.

Masahiro Ishii et al, PRD 89 (2014), 071901R (the formalism is exposed in a clear way).

Maximo Coppola, William Tavares, Sidney S. Avancini, Norberto Scoccola, Joana C. Sodr e, PRD 110 (2024), 114036.

**see Joana's poster for details!**

# Conclusions

- The light pseudo-scalar meson masses in a strong magnetic field were obtained from the expansion of the bosonized Euclidean action ( RPA calculation).
- For calculating the polarization functions, we use (for most of the calculations) the Schwinger proper-time formalism (performs the sum over the Landau levels analytically).
- We always use the MFIR regularization procedure, thus avoiding spurious solutions which are often found in the literature.
- Our calculation, when it is possible to compare, shows the same trend as the lattice.

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