

Nonlocal effective theories

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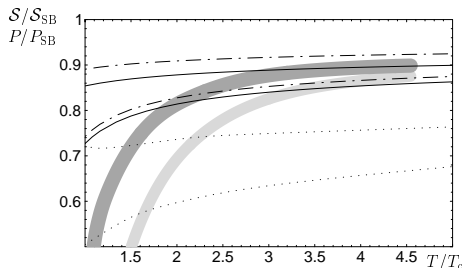
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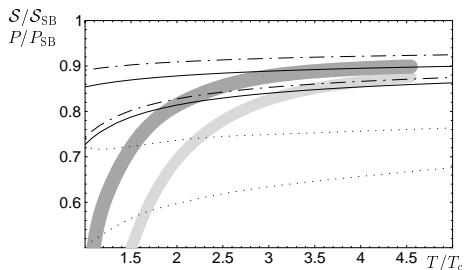


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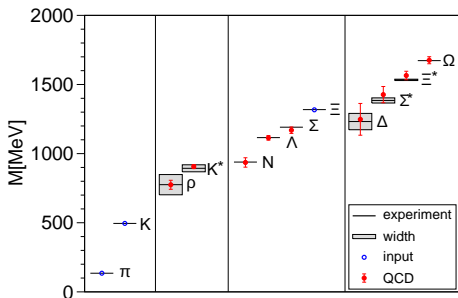


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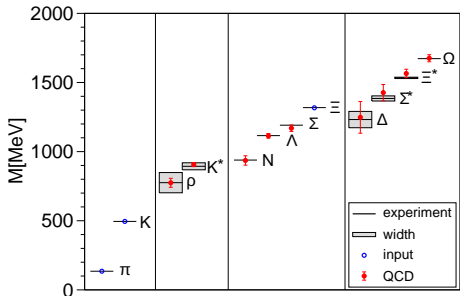
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description (physical picture)
depends on the energy range



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Elementary excitations at high energy

- At asymptotically large energy $\alpha_s(E) \rightarrow 0$ (asymptotic freedom) \Rightarrow we expect to recover quarks and gluons as stable elementary excitations
- At large energy/high temperature
 - quark- and gluon-like excitations (cf. quark-gluon plasma)
 - **quasiparticles** with mass *and* lifetime
 - no sharp mass shell \Rightarrow several energy levels, spectrum

Low energy/temperature

- At low energy/temperature
 - strongly interacting regime from the point of view of QCD
 - effective description: bound states (hadrons)
 - effective models: “weakly” interacting hadrons (e.g. **sigma models, NJL model, Polyakov loop models etc.**)
Hadron resonance gas – no interaction
 - realistic excitations: **quasiparticles** with finite (sometimes large) width
 - not fundamental degrees of freedom – independent?
- Near T_c
 - near perfect liquid \Rightarrow strongly interacting from the point of view of both QCD and hadronic description
 - not necessarily non-perturbative: we should find the **relevant degrees of freedom**
 - only representable by the **complete spectral function**

Nonlocal effective models

- lifetime of the quasiparticles \Rightarrow time dependent Hamiltonian?
unitarity? E-conservation?
- consistent with considering the complete spectral function
(causality, unitarity, symmetries, E-conservation etc.)
- applicable also when small-width quasiparticle description fails
(eg. off-shell transport, liquids)

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The free model

- at large energy: QCD weakly interacting
- elementary excitations: free quarks and gluons
 - ⇒ energy and momentum eigenstates with $E_{\mathbf{k}}^2 = \mathbf{k}^2 + m^2$ dispersion relation

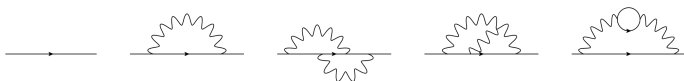
Basic model

Non-interacting, free particles (infinite lifetime)

Perturbation theory

Weak interaction: expand expectation values with respect of the coupling constant \Rightarrow perturbation theory (PT)

- direct PT: Feynman-diagrams

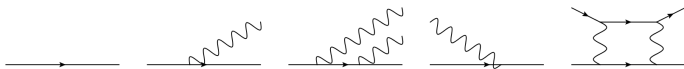


- divergences (UV and IR) \Rightarrow renormalization, resummation (self-energy, RG, OPE, thermal masses, dimensional reduction, screened PT, HTL, 2PI, etc.)

Spectrum

Result of PT: states with the same quantum numbers mix

e.g. one-particle states mix with multi-particle states



multi-particle states have no “mass-shell”

⇒ **Characterization: spectrum**

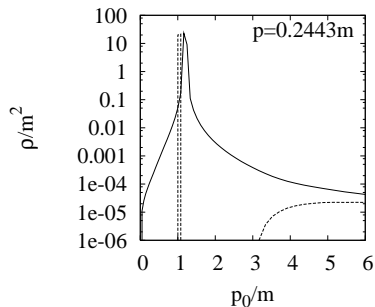
- energy levels at fixed momentum (and other Q-numbers)
- to measure it: take an operator A

$$\varrho_A(x) = \langle 0|[A(x), A(0)]|0\rangle \Rightarrow \varrho_A(\omega > 0, \mathbf{k}) = \sum_n \alpha_{n,\mathbf{k}} \delta(\omega - E_{n,\mathbf{k}})$$

spectral function is proportional to the spectrum

$$(\alpha_{n,\mathbf{k}} = 2\pi |\langle 0|A|n, \mathbf{k}\rangle|^2).$$

Typical spectrum



Φ^4 model, 2-loop renormalized
2PI resummation
($T = 0, m, \lambda = 10$)

(AJ, PRD76 (2007) 125004 [hep-ph/0612268])

- $T = 0$: mass-shell shifts, multiparticle thresholds
- $T > 0$: mass-shell shifts and acquires width, $\rho > 0$ everywhere

Quasiparticles

Good approximation if we consider only the peak of the spectral function

⇒ **quasiparticle**: (modified) mass and finite lifetime

Lifetime? decaying particle ⇒ violates E-conservation, unitarity

What can we do instead?

2PI approximation

(2PI approximation: 2-particle irreducible)

Idea of 2PI

use the “exact” excitation spectrum for the quasiparticles

Consistent resummed PT: all energy levels are taken into account!
technically for scalar field theory we start from the form:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \Phi G^{-1} \Phi + \mathcal{L}_{int}$$

\Rightarrow G comes from self-consistent propagator equation (2PI)

(J. M. Cornwall, R. Jackiw and E. Toumbolis, Phys. Rev. D10, 2428 (1974).)

(J. Berges and J. Cox, Phys. Lett. B 517 (2001) 369)

$$G^{-1}(p) = G_0^{-1}(p) - \Sigma[G](p)$$

and in the self-energy calculation we use the G propagator.

- renormalizability ✓
(H. van Hees, J. Knoll, PRD66 (2002) 025028)
(A. Jakovac, Zs. Szepe PRD71 (2005) 105001 [hep-ph/0405226])
(A. Patkos, Zs. Szepe, Nucl.Phys. A811 (2008) 329, [arXiv:0806.2554])
- unitarity: no missing state ✓
- global and local symmetries (Ward-identities) ✗
(U. Reinosa, J. Serreau, Ann.Phys. 325 (2010) 969, [arXiv:0906.2881])
- deep IR physics ✗
Bloch-Nordsieck model, cf. P. Mati's talk
(P. Mati, BME, diploma work, paper in preparation)

Lesson

Non-local inverse propagator consistently treatable within resummed PT framework

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QCD at low energy/temperature

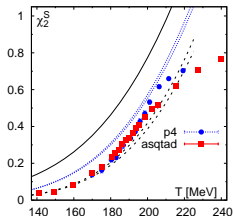
- Strongly interacting, nonperturbative from the point of view of the quark-gluon picture
- observation: “weakly” interacting bound states (hadrons)

Basic model

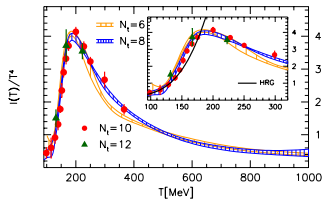
non-interacting hadrons

Basic model

HRG (hadron resonance gas) – masses from the experiments



(P. Huovinen and P. Petreczky, Nucl. Phys. A **837**
(26 (2010) [arXiv:0912.2541 [hep-ph]].)



(Sz. Borsanyi, G. Endrodi, Z. Fodor, A.J., S. D. Katz)
(S. Krieg, C. Ratti, K.K. Szabo, JHEP 1011 (2010) 077)

basic model works quite well for thermodynamics!

- Is it allowed to consider short lifetime resonances as independent degrees of freedom ($\tau \sim 10^{-24}$ s lifetime)?
- How independent are these degrees of freedom?

Resonances from scattering theory

contribution of resonant states to the partition function

scattering theory, elastic scattering: $\delta_\ell(\varepsilon)$ phase shifts

\Rightarrow modify the free energy

(Uhlenbeck-Beth formula)

$$\sum_i e^{-\beta E_i} \Rightarrow \delta Z \sim \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{\pi} \frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \omega} e^{-\beta \omega}$$

at bound states δ has a π -t jump $\Rightarrow \delta Z \sim e^{-\beta E}$

(Landau, Lifshitz V.; R.F Dashen, R. Rajaraman, PRD10 (1974), 694.)

- thermodynamical degrees of freedom (quasiparticles)
- independence?
 - simplest approach: consider them independent
 - complex amplitudes to the S-matrix, unitarity gives relations between them \Rightarrow not independent

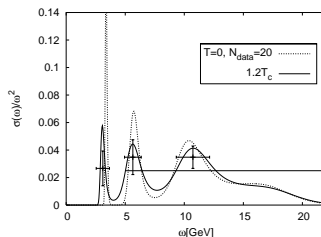
(M. Svec, PRD64 (2001) 096003 [hep-ph/0009275])

Resonances in field theory

we want consider bound states as quasiparticles
 can be consistent only with taking into account the complete
 spectrum (cf. 2PI)!

Take spectrum as an input!

- from PT using interacting hadron models
- from experiments
- from MC simulation



(AJ., P. Petreczky, K. Petrov, A. Velytsky, PRD75 (2007) 014506)

Nonlocal Lagrangian

Nonlocal scalar quadratic model: similar to 2PI

(AJ. arXiv:1102.5629)

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \Phi(x) \mathcal{K}(i\partial) \Phi(x)$$

- relation of \mathcal{K} kernel and ϱ spectral function:

$$G_R(k_0, \mathbf{k}) = \mathcal{K}^{-1}(k_0 + i\varepsilon, \mathbf{k}), \quad \varrho = -2 \operatorname{Im} G_R$$

$$G_R(k_0, \mathbf{k}) = \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{\varrho(\omega, \mathbf{k})}{k_0 - \omega + i\varepsilon}, \quad \mathcal{K} = \operatorname{Re} G_R^{-1}$$

spectrum completely determines physics!

- can be proven: unitarity, causality, E-conservation, Lorentz-invariance (like in 2PI)

Energy density

time translation symmetry \Rightarrow energy density (Noether-thm)

$$\varepsilon = T_{00} = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \Theta(p_0) \left(p_0 \frac{\partial \mathcal{K}}{\partial p_0} - \mathcal{K} \right) n(p_0) \varrho(p)$$

- pressure, entropy, etc come from standard thermodynamics
- **nonlinear** functional of ϱ ! (because $\varrho \Rightarrow \mathcal{K}$)

Number of degrees of freedom

Number of the bound states?

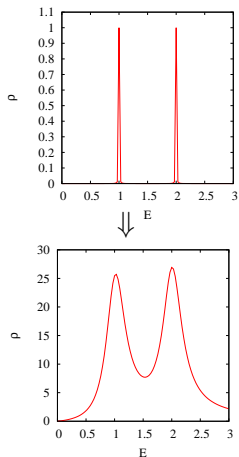
- not evident in case of a general spectrum!
- consistency (for independent particles, or for one Breit-Wigner form)
- consistent with usual physical picture (Williams-Weizsacker)

$$N_{dof} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dp_0}{2\pi} \frac{1}{p_0} \left(p_0 \frac{\partial \mathcal{K}}{\partial p_0} - \mathcal{K} \right) \varrho(p).$$

⇒ number of bound states (degree of freedom) is a **dynamical quantity!**

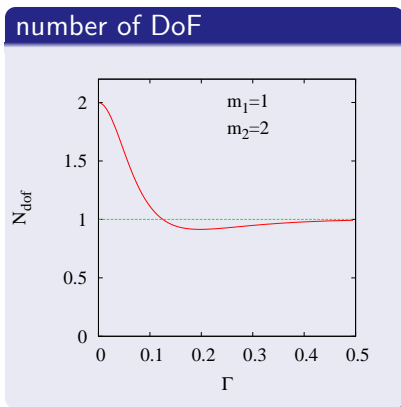
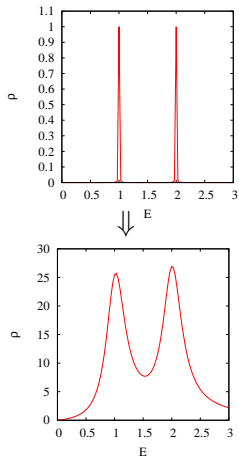
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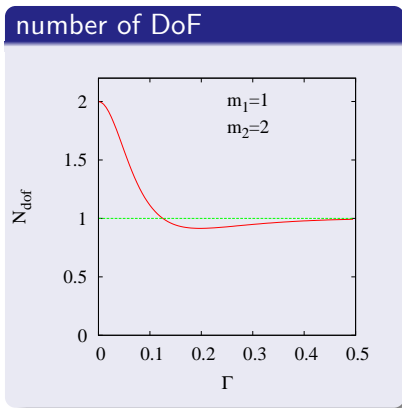
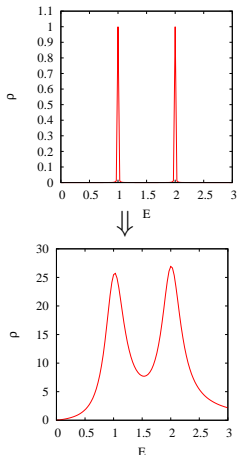
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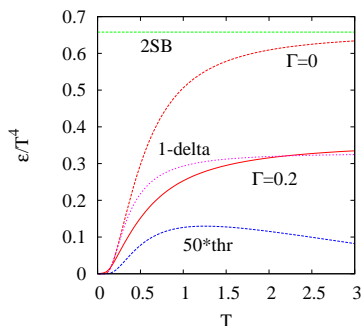
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independence: separation is larger than width

Independence of bound states from thermodynamics



$$m_1 = 1, m_2 = 2$$

- $\Gamma = 0$: 2 Dirac-delta ($\Gamma_1 = \Gamma_2 = 0$)
- $\Gamma = 0.2$: finite width peaks
 $\Gamma_1 = \Gamma_2 = 0.2$: if we had only one particle!
 \Rightarrow reduction of the number of degrees of freedom is observable in thermodynamics, too

Lowest curve: multiparticle threshold $\varrho(p) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{m^2}{p^2}}$

- negligible contribution to thermodynamics!
- overlapping Breit-Wigners \Rightarrow destructive interference

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experimental evidence: liquid-like matter (“almost perfect liquid”)

- more precisely: $\frac{\eta}{s} \sim \eta \ell^3 \sim \frac{1}{4\pi}$ small (on ℓ internal scale)

⇒ very far from an ideal gas

- kinetic theory: $\frac{\eta}{s} \sim E\tau$ small

⇒ very short lifetime excitations are needed (!?)

(cf. jet suppression)

⇒ nonperturbative regime both from hadronic and quark-gluon side

how to treat it?

I. method: exactly solvable model

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM theory with large N_c and $\lambda = g^2 N_c$

- CFT \Rightarrow AdS/CFT duality \Rightarrow 5D AdS gravitation
 \Rightarrow computable
- indeed liquid: $\eta/s = 1/4\pi$ if $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$

(P. Kovtun, D.T. Son, A.O. Starinets JHEP 0310, (2003) 064.)

(A. Buchel, R.C. Myers, M.F. Paulos, A. Sinha, Phys.Lett.B669:364-370,2008.)

BUT: $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM $\not\equiv$ QCD (symmetries, particle content)

- similar when we apply Φ^3 model instead QCD
- **Hope:** some **universality** is in the background, and so the details are not important

Universality?

How specific is QCD?

Generic fluid:

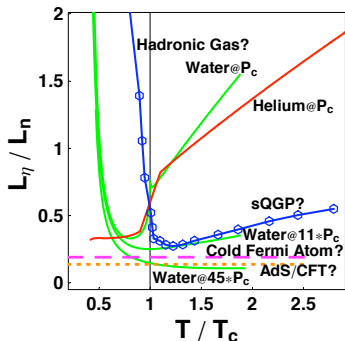
- fluidity measure $\frac{\eta}{s} \rightarrow \frac{L_\eta}{L_n}$
- smallest to supercritical fluids

Lesson:

- QCD not extraordinary
- behaviour near T_c



supercritical fluids?



(J. Liao, V. Koch, Phys. Rev. C81, 014902 (2010))

II. method: nonlocal model

can we build a quadratic model which describes liquid?

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \Phi(x) \mathcal{K}(i\partial) \Phi(x) \quad \mathcal{K} \Leftrightarrow \varrho$$

- in the spectrum must be no sharp peaks \Rightarrow they would lead to large free mean path, gas-like behaviour
- excitations are not particle-like “non-particles”, “non-shell particles”, “unparticles”

(N.P. Landsman, *Annals Phys.* 186 (1988) 141)

(H. Georgi, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **98**, 221601 (2007). [[hep-ph/0703260](#)].)

Viscosity for broad spectral functions

One can calculate η/s for a generic spectral function

(AJ., PRD81 (2010) 045020 [arXiv:0911.3248])

generic structure:

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \sim \frac{\int f_1 \varrho^2}{\int f_2 \varrho + \ln \int f_3 \varrho} \xrightarrow{\text{rescaling}} \frac{\langle \varrho^2 \rangle}{\langle \varrho \rangle, \ln \langle \varrho \rangle}.$$

sum rule: $\int \varrho = 1$

- **large peak in ϱ** \Rightarrow even larger peak in ϱ^2 \Rightarrow η/s **large**
- **shallow ϱ** \Rightarrow ϱ^2 even shallower \Rightarrow η/s **small**

robust result: broad spectral function describes liquid!

is it the universality in the background...?

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Particle yields

In the plasma: distribution function $e^{-\beta E} \Rightarrow$ **what is the outgoing particle current?**

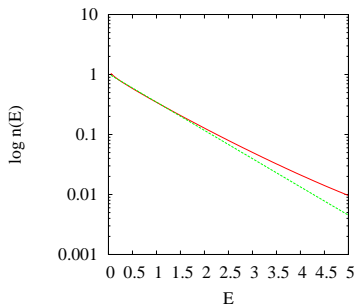
- quasiparticles in the plasma \neq vacuum particles
- **Dressing (“hadronization”)**: assume some conserved quantity: energy and momentum! (**works also with other assumptions**)
- observed energy spectrum:

$$\omega_p n_{obs}(\omega_p) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dp_0}{2\pi} \left(p_0 \frac{\partial \mathcal{K}}{\partial p_0} - \mathcal{K} \right) \varrho(p_0, p) n(p_0)$$

- if ϱ peaked near $\omega_p \Rightarrow$ **at small energies the peak region dominates**
- **at large energies** peak suppressed by $n(p_0)$ exponentially \Rightarrow small p_0 regime dominates \Rightarrow **off-shell effects**

Példa

in case of a Breit-Wigner spectrum ($\Gamma = 0.1E$)



... work in progress...

Prediction

- **exponential** behaviour at small energies
- **power-law** at large energies

(details depend on the form of the spectral function at small energies)

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Conclusions

- description of quasiparticles is consistent only with taking into account the **complete spectrum**
 - gives nonlocal theory
 - unitary, causal, E-conserving
 - number of excitations is dynamical question
 - ⇒ independence of excitations, change in the number of excitations is possible to describe
- applications
 - quasiparticles in PT: 2PI method
 - description of bound states
 - description of liquids, transport coefficients
 - black body radiation, off-shell effects: lower-law at large energies