

Effective Model of QCD Monopoles Around T_c

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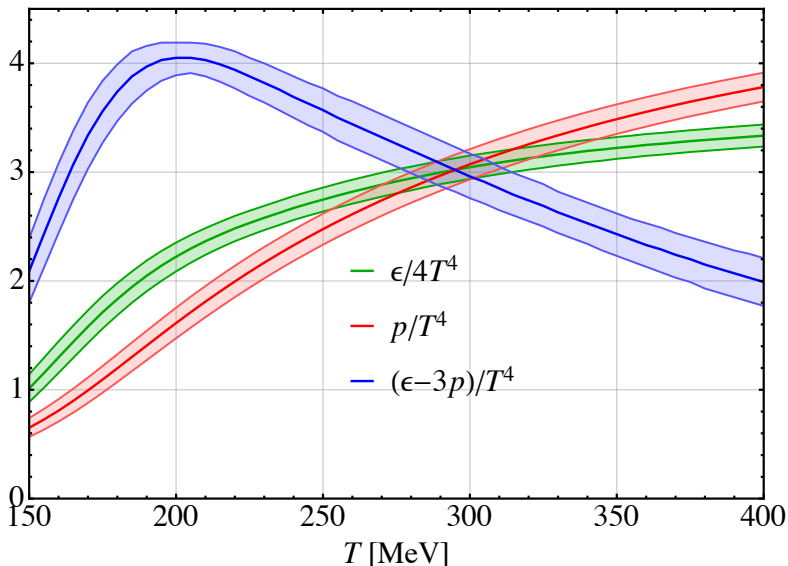
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Lattice QCD Equation of State



Results adapted from [HotQCD Collaboration \(2014\)](#)

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Dual Superconductivity Model of the QCD Vacuum

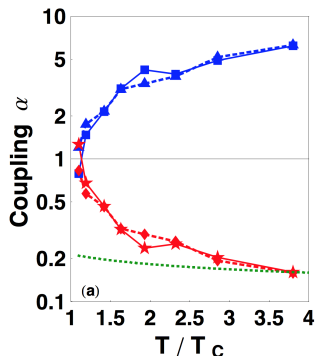
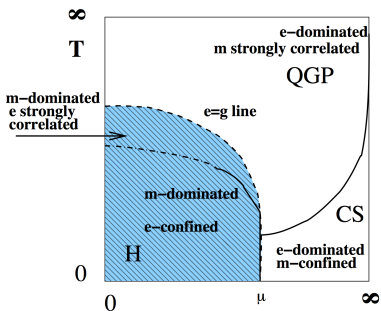
Nambu (1974), Mandelstam (1976), 't Hooft (1981)

- Electric quasiparticles (quarks and gluons) and magnetic quasiparticles (monopoles, etc.)
- Confinement is due to the Bose-Einstein condensation (BEC) of magnetic (quasi)particles
- Lattice studies have identified electric flux-tubes and monopole currents

Can we make an effective model for the magnetic component of QCD above T_c ?

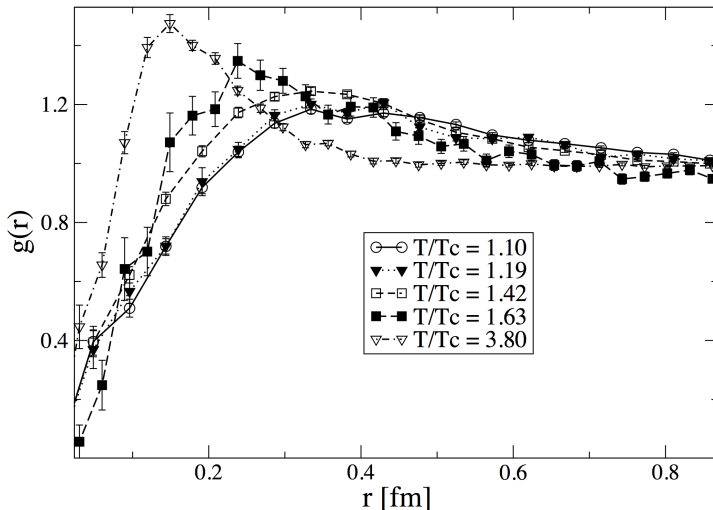
Magnetic Scenario of QCD

- Condition for making Dirac strings invisible: $\frac{eg}{4\pi} = \text{integer}$
Dirac (1931)
 - $\alpha_s = e^2/4\pi$ in QCD runs with T and μ
 - $\alpha_m = g^2/4\pi$ runs **oppositely**
- Classical studies of electric-magnetic plasma have seen this behavior of the coupling Liao and Shuryak (2007)



Monopoles on the Lattice

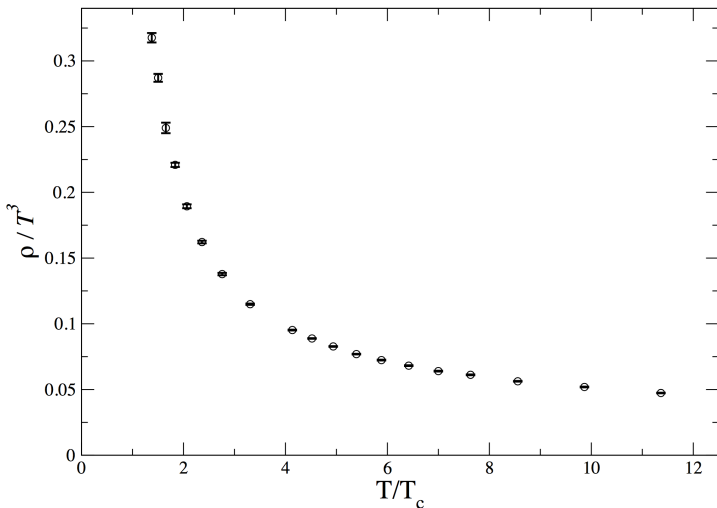
Antimonopole-monopole correlations **stronger** at higher temperatures



D'Alessandro and D'Elia (2007)

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Density: $\rho_m/T^3 \sim \log(T)^{-2} \rightarrow$ Monopoles important near T_c



D'Alessandro and D'Elia (2007)

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- Classical monopoles → Quantum monopoles (BEC)
 - Reproduce behavior of lattice monopoles, without other degrees of freedom
 - Identify the contribution of magnetic monopoles to the thermodynamics of QCD around T_c
- Quantify BEC critical temperature behavior of one- and two-component quantum Coulomb systems

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Path-Integral Monte Carlo

- Density matrix at finite temperature from path integrals:
Feynman (1953), Matsubara (1951)

$$\rho(x_i, x_j, \beta) = \int_0^\beta \mathcal{D}x(\tau) \exp \{-S_E[x(\tau)]\}$$

where $\beta = 1/T$

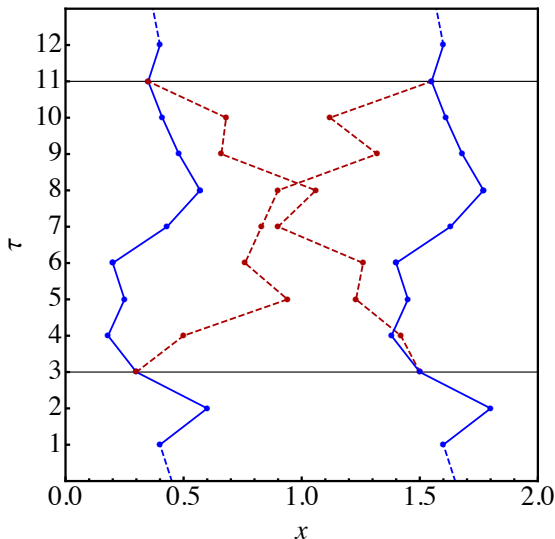
- Partition function: $Z = \text{Tr}[\rho] \rightarrow$ **periodic paths**
- Discretize paths and sample configurations using Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)
Ceperley (1995) (Review w/ focus on application to liquid helium)
 - The configuration weight is given by the Euclidean action,

$$\pi(\{\vec{x}\}) = e^{-S_E(\{\vec{x}\})}$$

- **Sample the partition function \rightarrow thermodynamics**

Path-Integral Monte Carlo

- The imaginary-time paths of bosons can be **permuted**



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Finding T_c , Method 1: Permutation Cycles

- Measure $n_k(T)$, the probability of finding a particle in a k -permutation cycle as a function of temperature
- Densities of k -cycles go as

$$\rho_k(T) \equiv n_k(T)/k = \exp(-\hat{\mu}(T)k) \times f(k),$$

where $f(k)$ is some decreasing function $\sim 1/k^\alpha$

- Critical temperature is where permutation cycles are no longer exponentially suppressed, i.e. $\hat{\mu}(T) = 0$

D'Alessandro, D'Elia, and Shuryak (2010)

Finding T_c , Method 2: Superfluid Fraction

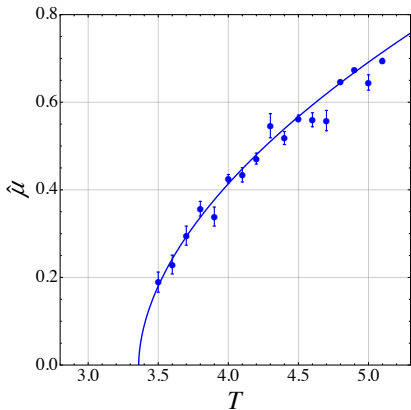
- The superfluid fraction of a condensate is related to the spatial winding number distribution

$$\frac{\rho_s}{\rho} = \frac{\langle W^2 \rangle}{2\lambda\beta N}$$

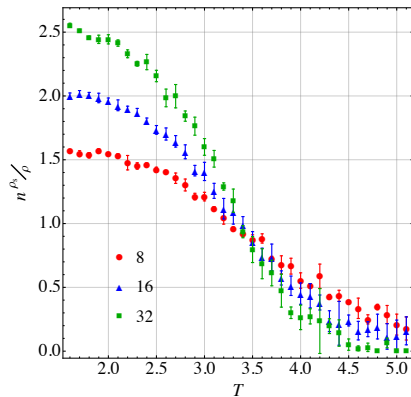
- Thermodynamic limit \rightarrow expect the superfluid fraction to go from 0 (above T_c) to 1 (below T_c)
- Study finite-size scaling of this quantity \rightarrow determine critical point by the intersection of the superfluid fraction lines

Pollock and Ceperley (1987)

Finding T_c : Examples



Permutation-cycle calculation



Finite-size scaling of the superfluid fraction

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Study of Quantum Coulomb Systems

- Find the dependence of T_c on α , the coupling, with interaction potential:

$$V_{\text{int}}(r_{ij}) = \alpha \frac{q_i q_j}{r_{ij}}$$

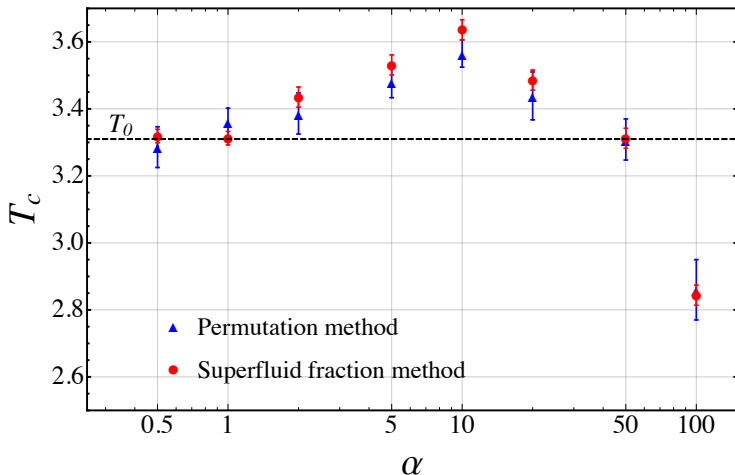
- Critical temperature of an ideal Bose gas:

$$T_0 = \left(\frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{mk_B} \right) \left(\frac{n}{\zeta\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

- $|q| = m = n = 1 \rightarrow$ scale is fixed by the temperature T
- Ideal gas BEC temperature in these units:

$$T_0 = 2\pi \left(\frac{1}{\zeta\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} = 3.3125$$

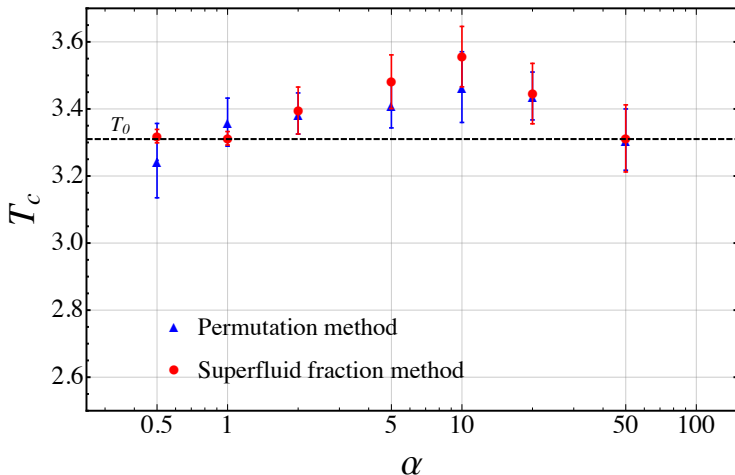
One-Component Coulomb System



Same behavior seen by varying density of hard spheres [Grüter, et al. \(1997\)](#)

Analytically explained by [M. Holzmann, G. Baym, J. P. Blaizot, and F. Laloe \(2001\)](#)

Two-Component Coulomb: Critical Temperature



Same qualitative behavior as one-component case, but the increase in T_c at moderate coupling is slightly smaller

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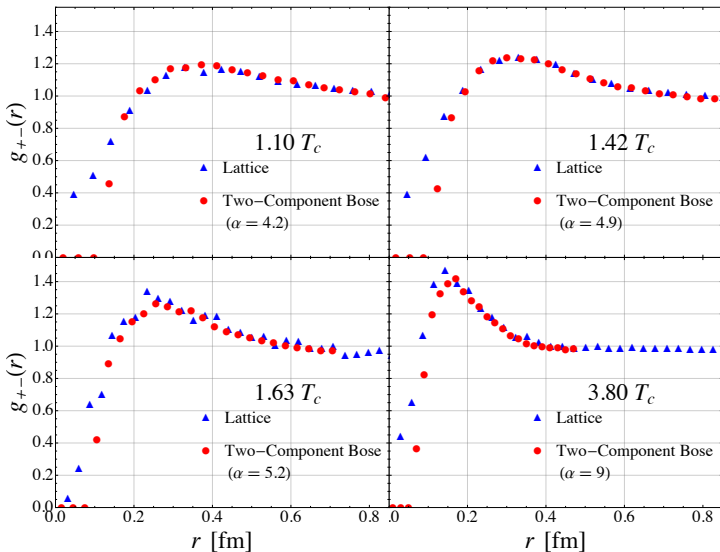
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Matching Radial Distribution Functions



Lattice data from [D'Alessandro and D'Elia \(2007\)](#)

Fixing Parameters

- Scaling relation for α , the simulation coupling, to match lattice results:

$$\alpha(T/T_c) \approx 3.4 \rho_m^{1/3}(T/T_c)$$

- $\rho_m(T)$ is the monopole density (in fm^{-3})
D'Alessandro and D'Elia, 2007
- One unit of length in our simulations is $\rho_m^{-1/3}(T)$ (in fm)
- $T_c = 155 \text{ MeV} \approx 3.45$ in our units of temperature

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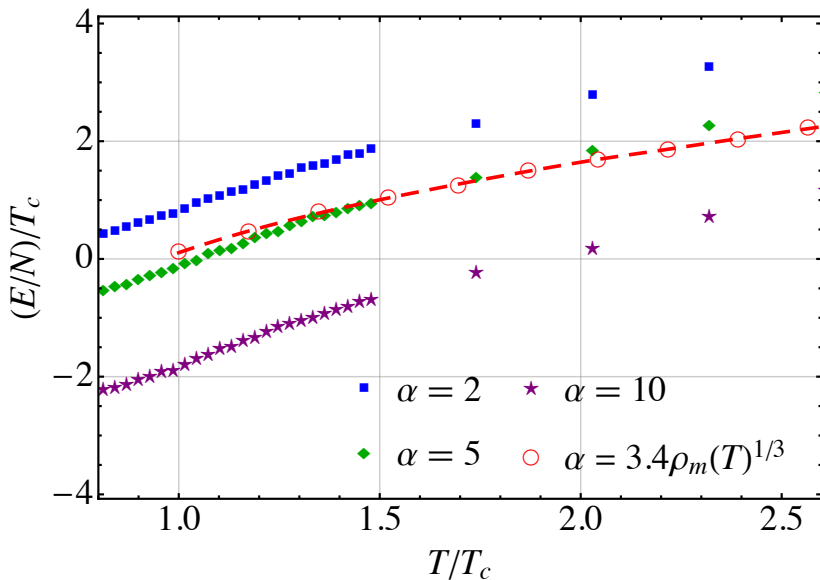
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Energy Per Monopole on the Physical Line



Equation of State

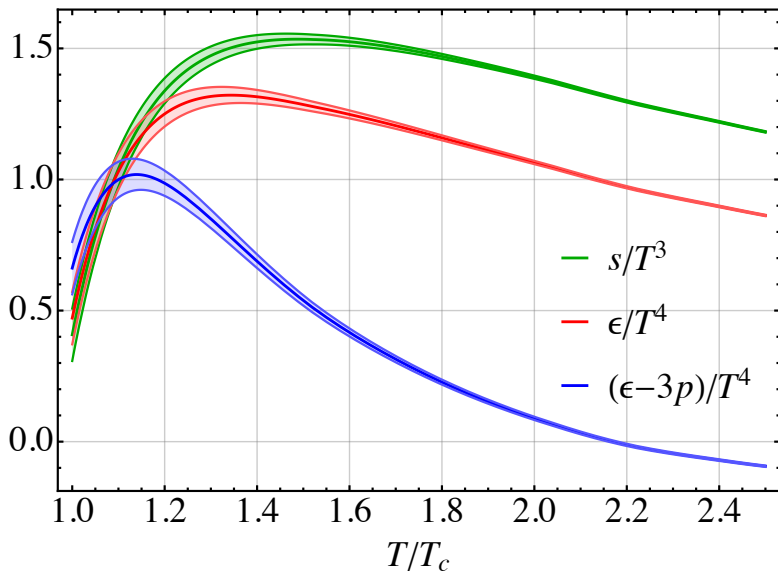
- Studies on the lattice found a large entropy density and trace anomaly at 170-250 MeV
- May not all be from quarks and gluons \rightarrow other contributions to the thermodynamics of QCD-like theories at T_c (hadrons, instantons, etc.)
- What portion comes from monopoles?

Wuppertal-Budapest Collab. (2013)

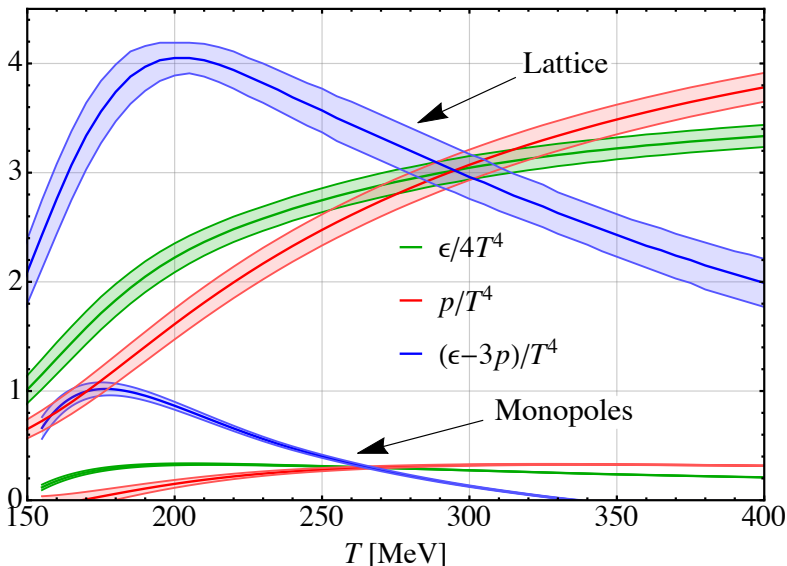
HotQCD Collab. (2014)

etc.

Monopole Contribution to Equation of State



Comparison to Lattice QCD



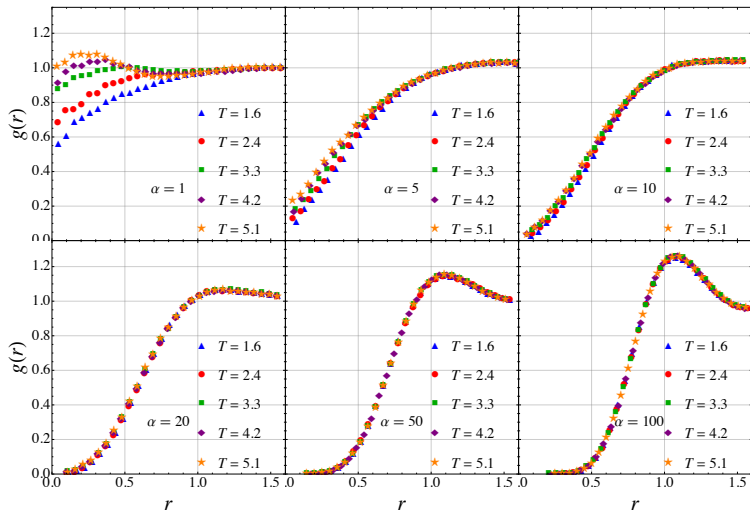
Lattice results from [HotQCD Collaboration \(2014\)](#)

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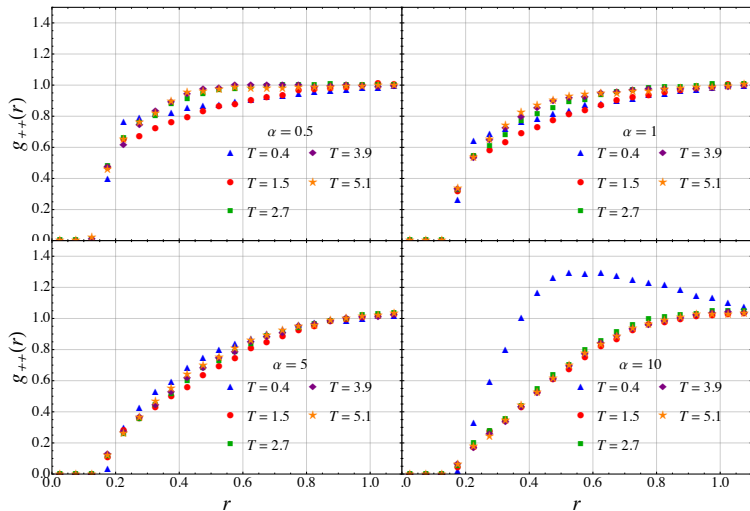
- Found parameters of a two-component Coulomb quantum Bose gas that give an effective model of QCD monopoles
- Identified the contribution of monopoles to QCD equation of state
- Found the effect of coupling on the critical temperature of Coulomb quantum Bose gases
- Can we use the parameters of this model to simulate *real-time* properties of QGP, such as viscosity, jet quenching, and heavy quark propagation?

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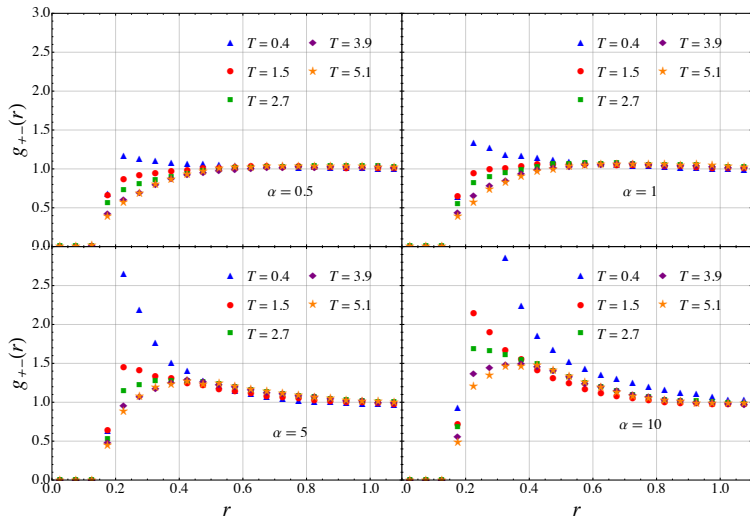
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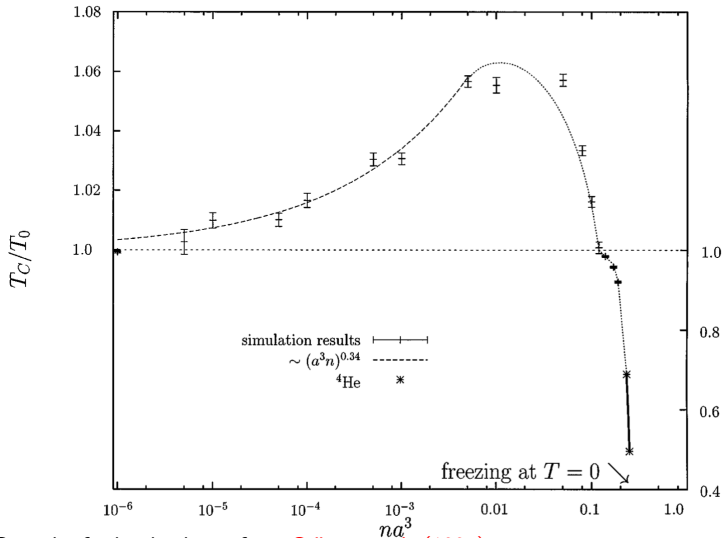
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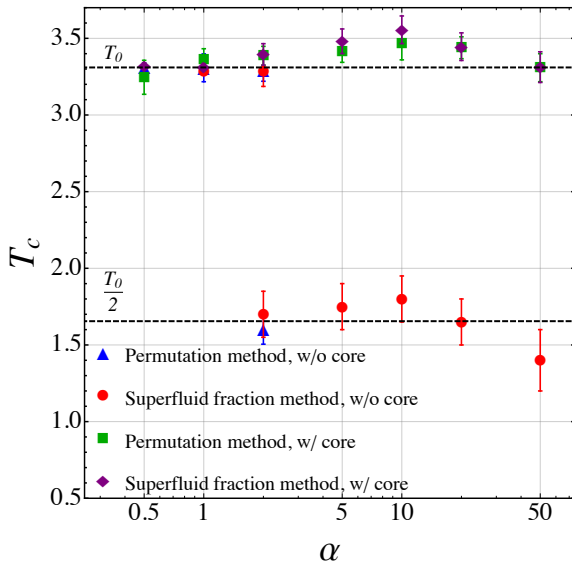


Critical Temperature of Hard Spheres

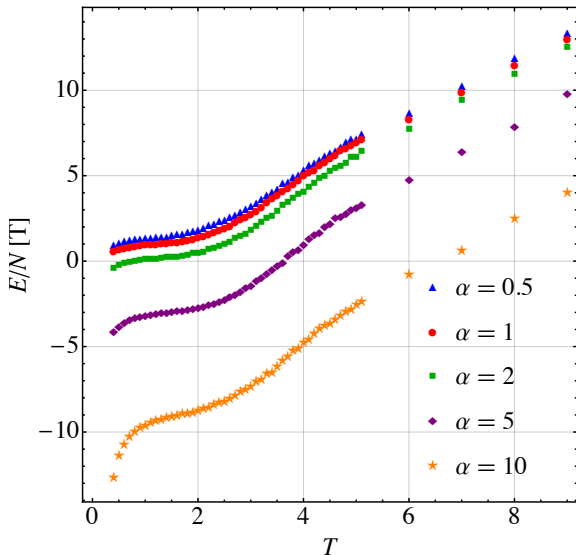


PIMC results for hard spheres from Grüter, et al. (1997)

Two-Component Critical Temperature (incl. core)



Two-Component Internal Energy



Primitive Approximation

- In the primitive approximation, the density matrix between time slice i and $i + 1$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(R_i, R_{i+1}, \tau) &= \langle R_i | e^{-\tau \hat{T}} e^{-\tau \hat{V}} | R_{i+1} \rangle \\ &= \langle R_i | e^{-\tau \hat{T}} | R_{i+1} \rangle e^{-\tau V}\end{aligned}$$

- The kinetic matrix element for N particles can be computed using the eigenfunction expansion of the kinetic operator,

$$\langle R_i | e^{-\tau \hat{T}} | R_{i+1} \rangle = \frac{1}{(4\pi\lambda\tau)^{3N/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(R_i - R_{i+1})^2}{4\lambda\tau} \right\}$$

where $\lambda = (2m)^{-1}$

Partition Function

- For periodic paths, such that $x_i = x_j$,

$$Z = \sum_n e^{-\beta E_n} = \text{Tr}[e^{\beta \hat{H}}] = \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}]$$

- The expectation value of the operator \mathcal{O} is

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{\text{Tr}[\mathcal{O} \hat{\rho}]}{\text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}]} = \frac{\text{Tr}[\mathcal{O} \hat{\rho}]}{Z}$$

- For N bosons in the primitive approximation,

$$Z = \frac{1}{N!(4\pi\lambda\tau)^{3N/2}} \prod_{i=1}^{M-1} \prod_{n=1}^N \sum_P \int dx_{i,n} \\ \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{(x_{i,n} - x_{P,i+1,n})^2}{4\lambda\tau} - \tau V(x_{i,n}) \right\}$$

Thermodynamic Energy

- The general partition function is

$$\mathcal{Z} = \frac{1}{N!} (4\pi\lambda\tau)^{-3NM/2} \int \mathcal{D}R \exp \left\{ -\tau \left[\frac{(R_i - R_{i+1})^2}{4\lambda\tau^2} + V \right] \right\}$$

- The thermodynamic estimate for the energy is

$$\begin{aligned} \langle E \rangle &= \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \mathcal{Z} \\ &= \left\langle \frac{3N}{2\tau} - \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} \frac{(R_i - R_{i+1})^2}{4\lambda\tau^2} + V + \tau \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} V \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

- The last potential term vanishes in the primitive approximation.

Finding T_c : Permutation Cycles

As done by D'Alessandro, et al. (2010) on the lattice, we can use permutation cycles to study the transition temperature in PIMC

- The partition function of a *non-interacting* ideal gas of bosons can be broken up into a product of contributions of k -cycles – for example, the permutation $(1, 2, 3) \rightarrow (2, 3, 1)$ is considered a 3-cycle

$$Z = \frac{1}{N!} \sum_P \prod_k z_k^{n_k},$$

where n_k is the number of k -cycles present in the system

- Expanding these contributions,

$$\begin{aligned} z_k(T) &= \int dy_1 \dots dy_k \langle y_2, y_3, \dots, y_k, y_1 | e^{-\beta \hat{H}} | y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k \rangle \\ &= \int dy_1 \langle y_1 | e^{-k\beta \hat{H}} | y_1 \rangle \equiv z_1(T/k) \end{aligned}$$

- Using the partition function for a non-relativistic free particle in a box,

$$z_k(T) = \frac{V}{\lambda_B^3 k^{3/2}},$$

where λ_B is the thermal de Broglie wavelength and V is the volume of the box

- The total partition function is

$$Z = \frac{1}{N!} \sum_P \sum_k \left(\frac{V}{\lambda_B^3 k^{3/2}} \right)^{n_k}$$

- This quantity is not easily computed for fixed particle number, but this problem is avoided if we go to the Grand Canonical ensemble,

$$\mathcal{Z} = \prod_k \left(\frac{V e^{\mu k/T}}{\lambda_B^3 k^{5/2}} \right)$$

- From this partition function, we can extract the density of k -cycles

$$\rho_k \equiv \frac{\langle n_k \rangle}{V} = \frac{e^{\mu k/T}}{\lambda_B^3 k^{5/2}}$$

- The total particle density is

$$\frac{N}{V} = \sum_k k \rho_k = \sum_k \frac{e^{\mu k/T}}{\lambda_B^3 k^{5/2}},$$

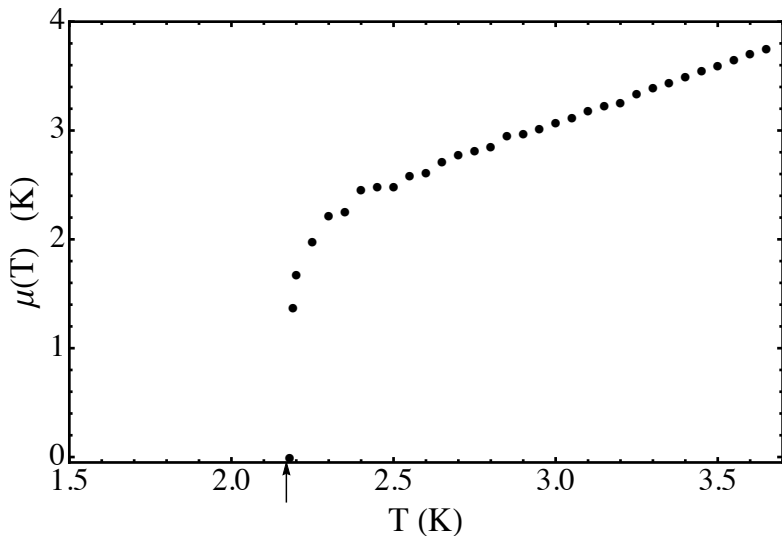
which has an upper limit of $\mu = 0$. This approach is fully valid for any non-interacting gas above T_c

- Even though we assumed non-interaction, we expect the densities of cycles to go roughly as

$$\rho_k = e^{-\hat{\mu}k} f(k),$$

where $\hat{\mu} = -\mu/T$ and $f(k)$ is some decreasing function of k of the form $f(k) \sim 1/k^\alpha$

Finding T_c , Test of Method 1: Liquid ^4He



1% accuracy to experimentally-determined T_c !