

Properties of geometrical clusters and deconfinement transition in $SU(2)$ gluodynamics

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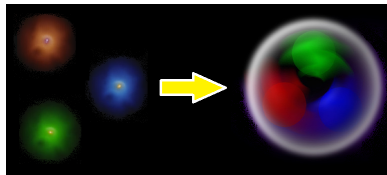
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Zimanyi Winter School, 2017

Introduction

- QCD operates with quarks and gluons,
Only hadrons are directly observed

If partons clusterize to hadrons, then
how to define these clusters?



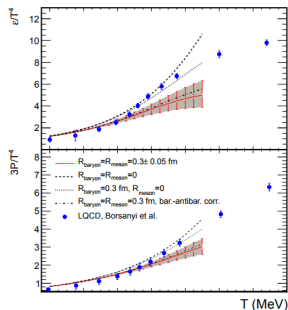
- Effective degrees of freedom \Rightarrow simplified description

QCD with quarks and gluons— **difficult**

Hadron Resonance Gas – **simple**

**Hadrons are effective degrees of freedom
at low temperatures**

**How to define effective degrees of freedom
at high temperatures?**



Motivation

- Non abelian nature of QCD \Rightarrow confinement/deconfinement transition
SU(2) gluodynamics – simplest gauge theory (2 types of color charge, no quarks)
- **Svetitsky -Jaffe conjecture:**
deconfinement transitions in (d+1)dimensional SU(N) gluodynamics is equivalent to magnetic transition in the d-dimensional Z(N) spin system

L. G. Yaffe and B. Svetitsky, PRD, 26, 963 (1982)

SU(2) gluodynamics \Leftrightarrow Ising spin model

Polyakov loop - gauge invariant analog of continuous spin

- Deconfinement in QCD (probably) is a phase transition of the liquid-gas type
 - hadron matter at low densities and temperatures is a gas
 - QGP (probably) is the most perfect liquid
(hydrodynamic expansion, small η/s , typical value of $\frac{U_{potential}}{T}$)

E. Shuryak, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 62, 48-101 (2009)

Is phase transition in gluodynamics related to the liquid-gas one?

Polyakov loop

- Polyakov loop L can be defined for any configuration of gluon field A_μ

$$SU(N_c) : L(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr} \exp \left(\int dt A_4(\vec{x}, t) \right)$$

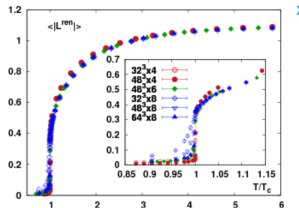
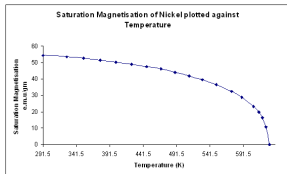
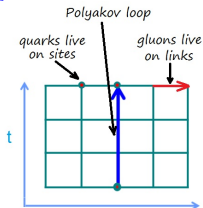
- Polyakov loop at discrete lattice of spatial-temporal extent $N_\sigma^3 \times N_\tau$

- gluon field $A_\mu \Rightarrow$ gauge link $U_\mu = \exp(iA_\mu)$

- Polyakov loop $L(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr} \prod_{t=0}^{N_\tau-1} U_4(\vec{x}, t)$

- $SU(2)$ gauge group (2 types of color) $\Rightarrow L \in [-1, 1]$ – real

- Polyakov loop – order parameter of deconfinement

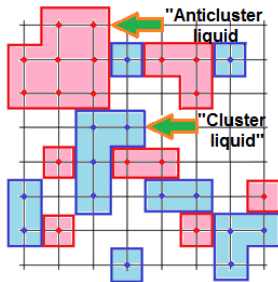


Identification of geometrical clusters

- Definition of (anti)clusters:
 - $|L(\vec{x})| < L_{cut} \Rightarrow$ auxiliary vacuum
 - $|L(\vec{x})| \geq L_{cut} \Rightarrow$ (anti)clusters
 - L_{cut} - vacuum cut-off parameter, minimal value of Polyakov loop inside (anti)cluster

C. Gattringer, PLB, 690, 179 (2010)

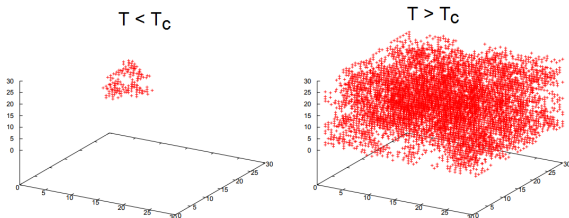
C. Gattringer, A. Schmidt, JHEP 1101, 051, 2011



- Two signs of Polyakov loop in SU(2) gluodynamics \Rightarrow (anti)clusters can be either "spin up" or "spin down" ones
 - Largest fragment - "anticluster liquid droplet"
 - Next to the largest fragment - "cluster liquid droplet"
 - Gas of (anti)clusters has the same Polyakov loop sign as their "liquids"

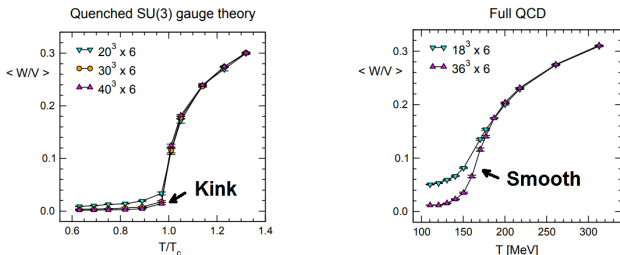
Percolation in gluodynamics

- Properties of the largest cluster are studied in SU(2), SU(3) and SU(4) GD



S. Borsanyi, J. Danzer, Z. Fodor, C. Gattringer, A. Schmidt, J. Phys. Conf. Ser. 312, 012005, 2011

- Statistical weight of the largest cluster is smooth in presence of quarks



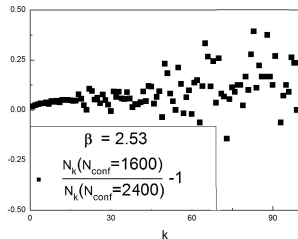
How to recognize phase transition? Can small clusters help?

Numerical simulation of distributions

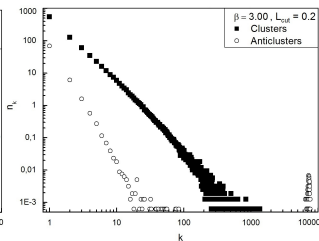
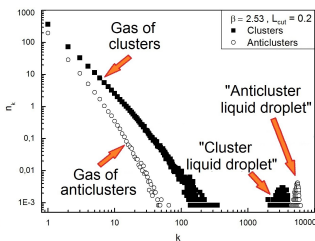
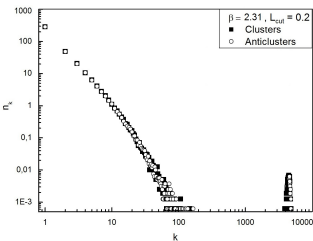
- 3 + 1 dimensional lattice of size $N_\sigma = 24$, $N_\tau = 8$
- 13 values of inverse coupling $\beta \in [2.31, 3] \Rightarrow$ 13 values of physical temperature
- vacuum cut-off parameter $L_{cut} = 0.1$ and 0.2
- Average over 800, 1600 and 2400 independent configurations for all β and L_{cut}
 - n_k^{conf} – number of k-mers in given configuration
 - $n_k = \frac{1}{N_{conf}} \sum_{conf} n_k^{conf}$ – average number of k-mers

Saturation of cluster size distributions

$N_{conf} = 2400$ is taken as the high statistics limit



Size distributions of (anti)clusters



Distributions at low $\beta \leq \beta_c \simeq 2.52$ (phase of restored global $Z(2)$ symmetry)

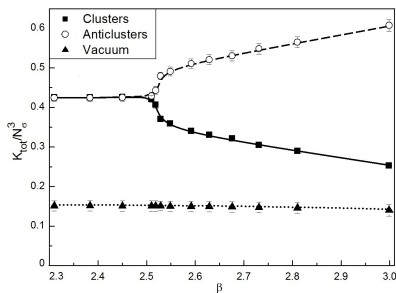
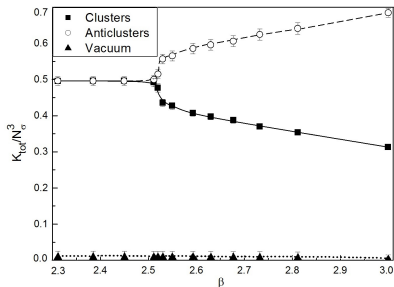
- symmetry between (anti)cluster distributions
- gas and "liquid" domains are well separated

Distributions at high $\beta > \beta_c \simeq 2.52$ (phase of broken global $Z(2)$ symmetry)

- no symmetry between (anti)cluster distributions
- "cluster liquid" evaporates to cluster gas
- anticluster gas condensates to "anticluster liquid"

**Deconfinement phase transition (at least in $SU(2)$ GD)
= special kind of the liquid-gas phase transition?**

$$K_{tot} = \begin{cases} \sum_k kn_k^{(a)Cl} / N_\sigma^3, & \text{(anti)clusters} \\ 1 - K_{tot}^{aCl} - K_{tot}^{Cl}, & \text{auxiliary vacuum} \end{cases}$$



Volume fraction of vacuum is independent on β and/or temperature

Incompressible auxiliary vacuum?

Liquid droplet approach

- Deconfinement transition in SU(2) gluodynamics is a special kind of the liquid-gas phase transition with two liquids and two gases

Polyakov loop clusters \Leftrightarrow droplets?

- Liquid droplet formula for average number of (anti)clusters of size k first introduced in M.E. Fisher, *Physics* 3, 255 (1967)

$$n_{k \geq k_{min}} = C \exp\left(\nu k - \sigma k^{2/3} - \tau \ln k\right)$$

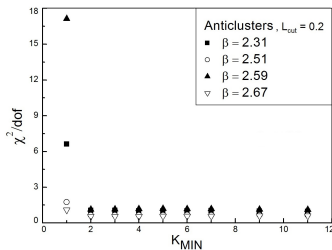
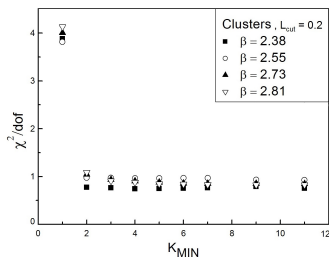
- C - normalization factor (absolute amount)
- ν - reduced chemical potential (liquid-gas phase transition)
- σ - reduced surface tension coefficient (appearance of critical point)
- τ - Fisher topological exponent
(size distribution at critical point and critical exponents)
- k_{min} - size of the minimal (anti)cluster described by the liquid droplet formula

Applicability of the Liquid Droplet formula

- Too small (anti)clusters can not be treated as droplets

What is minimal size of (anti)clusters which are described by the LDF?

- Overall χ^2/dof calculated for distributions of clusters with size $k \geq k_{min}$



- LDF describes size distributions with almost the same quality for all $k_{min} \geq 2$

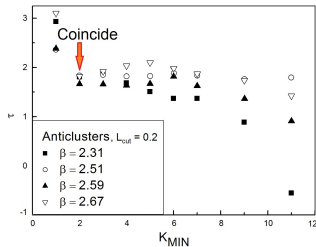
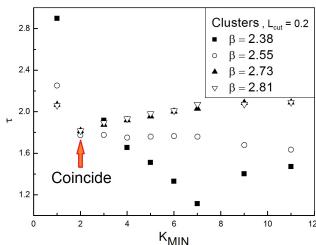
How to define k_{min} ?

Determination of k_{min} and τ

- Fisher topological exponent τ is supposed to be constant

M.E. Fisher, *Physics* 3, 255 (1967)

- Fit of distributions of clusters with size $k \geq k_{min}$



- $\tau = 1.806 \pm 0.008$ is independent on temperature at $k_{min} = 2$
Found value of τ agrees with exactly solvable statistical models for:

- nuclear matter

P. T. Reuter, K. A. Bugaev, *Phys. Lett. B* 517, 233 (2001); *Ukr. J. Phys.* 52, 489 (2007).

- tricritical endpoint of QCD

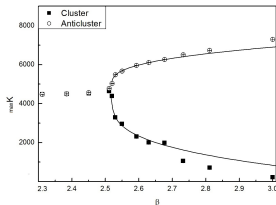
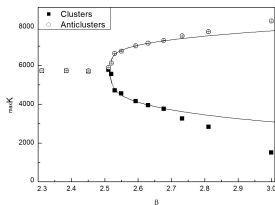
OI and K. A. Bugaev, *Ukr. J. Phys.* 57, (2012) 964

Average maximal (anti)cluster

- **Average Polyakov loop** is SU(2) gluodynamics order parameter, not observable
- **Largest (anti)cluster** occupies almost all lattice $\Rightarrow |L| \sim \max K_{aCl} - \max K_{Cl}$

$$\max K = \sum_{\vec{x}} k^{1+\tau} n_k / \sum_{\vec{x}} k^{\tau} n_k$$

$$\beta > \beta_c : \max K(\beta) - \max K(\beta_c) = a \cdot (\beta_c - \beta)^b$$

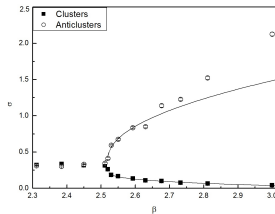
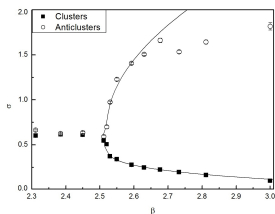


L_{cut}	type	a	b	χ^2/dof
0.1	Cl	-3056 ± 246	0.2964 ± 0.0284	$16.32/4 \simeq 4.08$
0.1	aCl	2129 ± 160	0.3315 ± 0.0269	$8.94/4 \simeq 2.235$
0.2	Cl	-4953 ± 443	0.3359 ± 0.0289	$12.3/3 \simeq 4.01$
0.2	aCl	2462 ± 87.7	0.3750 ± 0.0129	$2.068/4 \simeq 0.517$

Exponent b coincide with b_{Ising} of the Ising model - Svetitsky-Jaffe conjecture

Reduced surface tension coefficient

$$\beta > \beta_c : \sigma(\beta) - \sigma(\beta_c) = d \cdot (\beta_c - \beta)^B$$



L_{cut}	type	d	B	χ^2/dof
0.1	Cl	-0.485 ± 0.014	0.2920 ± 0.0012	$1.43/4 \simeq 0.36$
0.1	aCl	2.059 ± 0.028	0.4129 ± 0.0077	$1.68/4 \simeq 0.48$
0.2	Cl	-0.2796 ± 0.0118	0.2891 ± 0.0016	$1.11/4 \simeq 0.28$
0.2	aCl	1.344 ± 0.033	0.4483 ± 0.0021	$0.66/2 \simeq 0.33$

$$|L| \sim \max K_{aCl} - \max K_{Cl} \sim (\sigma_c - \sigma_{Cl})^{b/B_{Cl}} - (\sigma_{aCl} - \sigma_c)^{b/B_{aCl}}$$

Reduced surface tension coefficient - order parameter

Physical surface tension of (anti)clusters

- Reduced surface tension σ enters LDF as part of the Boltzmann exponential

$$n_k \sim e^{\dots - \sigma k^{2/3} \dots}, \quad \sigma k^{2/3} = \frac{\sigma_{phys} (a^3 k)^{2/3}}{T}$$

a – T-dependent lattice spacing

σ_{phys} – physical surface tension

- Physical surface tension of gluonic tube is related to tension of color string $\Rightarrow \sigma_{str}$ also has a kink

K. Bugaev, A.I. Ivanytskyi et al., *Yad. Fys.* 75, 6, 757 -759 (2012)

- Kink of σ_{str} is observed in QC₂D with quarks

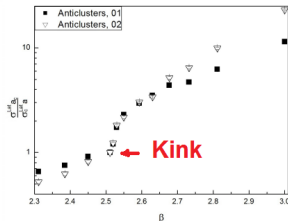
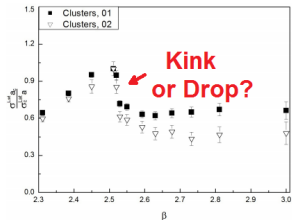
See talk of V. Braguta on "LFT and QCD", Dubna 2017

Irregularity of surface tension is not washed out in presence of quarks?

New order parameter?

- Kink of the surface tension coefficient is responsible for generation of CEP (not 3CEP!) in exactly solvable cluster model

K.A.Bugaev, V. K. Petrov, G. M. Zinovjev, *Yad. Fiz.* 76, 2, (2013)



- The approach to study the properties of geometrical clusters is developed
- Novel interpretation of the deconfinement phase transition as the condensation/evaporation of large anticluster/cluster "liquid droplet" is proposed
- It is shown that the reduced surface tension of (anti)clusters is able to distinguish the phases of restored and broken $Z(2)$ global symmetry and can serve as an order parameter

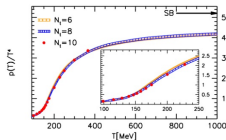
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QGP is the most perfect fluid

- QGP is not asymptotically free gas:

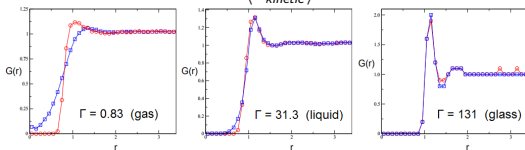
There is no Stefan-Boltzmann limit of noninteracting massless particles at high temperatures

interaction is strong \Rightarrow no gas regime



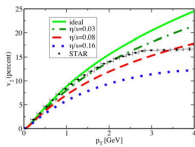
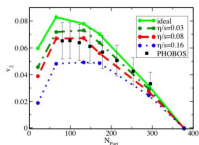
Sz. Borsanyi et al., JHEP 1011 (2010) 077

- Plasma parameter of QGP: $\Gamma_{QGP} \equiv \frac{\langle E_{potential} \rangle}{\langle E_{kinetic} \rangle} \simeq 10 - 100 - \text{liquid}$

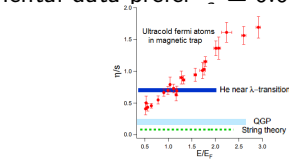


B. A. Gelman, E. V. Shuryak and I. Zahed, Phys. Rev. C 74, 044908 (2006)

- Shear viscosity η to entropy density s (experimental data prefer $\frac{\eta}{s} \simeq 0.03$)



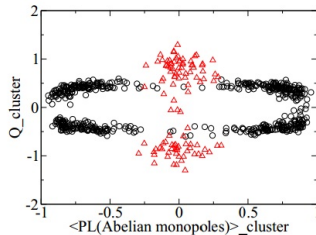
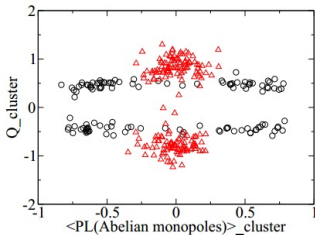
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E. Shuryak, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 62, 48-101 (2009)

Topology and SU(2) Polyakov loop

- Semiclassical structure of finite temperature gauge fields for at low temperatures is dominated by calorons with non-trivial holonomy



P. Gerhold et al., *AIP Conf. Proc.* **892**, 213-216 (2007)

- KvBLL caloron splits into two abelian dyons L and M

T. C. Kraan and P. van Baal, *Phys. Lett. B* **428**, 268, 268 (1998)

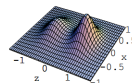
K. Lee and C. Lu, *Phys. Rev. D* **58**, 025011 (1998)

$$\text{L-dyon: } L^L = -\cos\left[\bar{\nu} \coth(2\bar{\nu} Tr) - \frac{1}{2rT}\right]$$

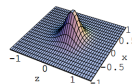
$$\text{M-dyon: } L^M = \cos\left[\nu \coth(2\nu Tr) - \frac{1}{2rT}\right]$$

$\bar{\nu} = 1 - \nu$ and $\nu \in [0, \pi]$ – holonomy parameter

Large separation (low T)

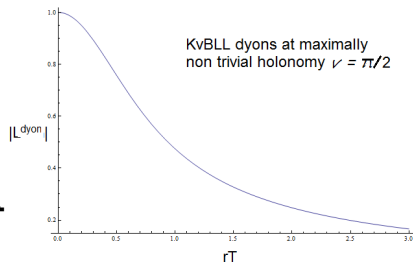
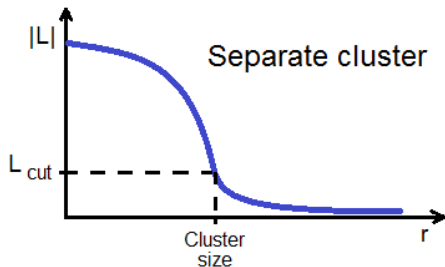


Small separation (high T)



Caloron inspired model of the SU(2) Polyakov clusters?

- Polyakov loop has non zero value inside separate cluster ($|L_0| > 0$) while at spatial infinity it approaches zero ($L_\infty = 0$)



**Is it possible to represent the Polyakov cluster
by ensemble of dyons with $\nu = \frac{\pi}{2}$**