

Nonlocal effective theories

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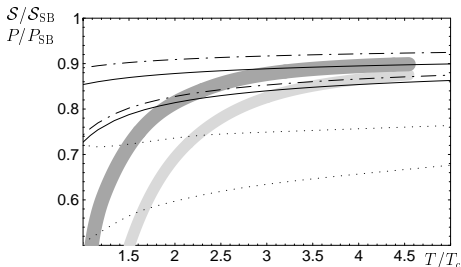
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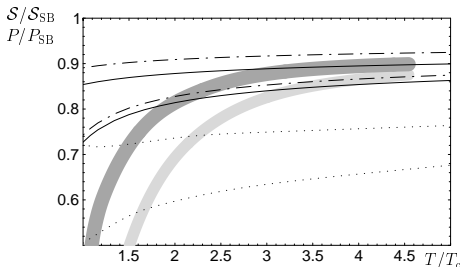


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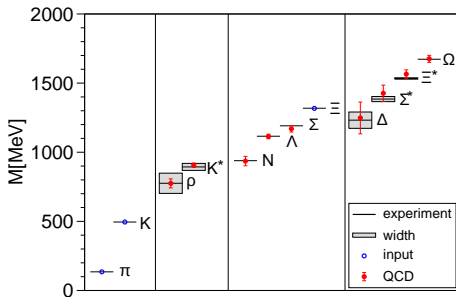


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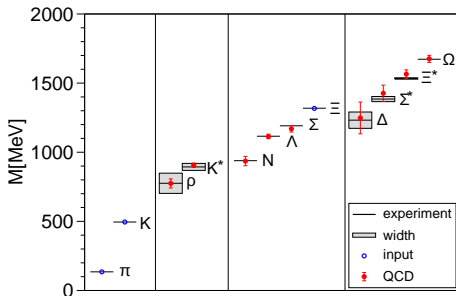
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description (physical picture)
depends on the energy range



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Physical picture

- Perturbation theory: basic model & small interactions
- basic model must depend on the energy range (or, in general, on the environment)
- “physical picture” \sim basic model



To understand QCD we need effective models

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Symmetries

Symmetries of the effective model \equiv symmetries of the fundamental model

eg. symmetries of (u,d,s) QCD:

$$U(3) \times U(3) \rightarrow U_B(1) \times U_A(1) \times SU_V(3) \times SU_A(3)$$

\Rightarrow sigma models

(nonlinear σ -model, chiral PT, linear σ -models, chiral σ -models, $O(N)$ models etc.)

Spectrum

basic excitation spectrum must be close to the real spectrum

- **otherwise**: to correct the spectrum we need strong interactions is needed
it **seems** nonperturbative, but we just use the false excitations.
- parameters of the basic model must be fitted to experiments

characterization of the spectrum

spectrum: energy levels belonging to certain Q numbers (eg. momentum).

measure the spectrum: A operator with fixed quantum numbers:

$$\varrho_A(x) = \langle 0|[A(x), A(0)]|0\rangle \Rightarrow \varrho_A(k)_{k_0>0} = \sum_n \alpha_{n,\mathbf{k}} \delta(k_0 - E_{n,\mathbf{k}})$$

spectral function wrt. A.

- projects out energy levels with the given Q numbers
- $\alpha_{n,\mathbf{k}} = 2\pi |\langle 0|A|n, \mathbf{k}\rangle|^2$
- normalization is not too important \Rightarrow reflects the measurement of the spectrum
- for $V \rightarrow \infty$ discrete levels + continuum
(if $m = 0$ excitations \Rightarrow only continuum!)

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The basic 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

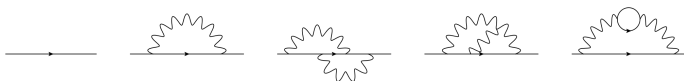
Basic model

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

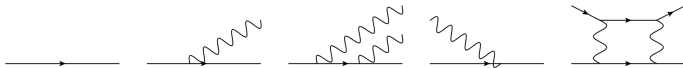


- divergences (UV and IR) \Rightarrow renormalization, resummation (self-energy, RG, OPE, thermal masses, dimensional reduction, screened PT, HTL, 2PI, etc.)

Spectrum

Result of PT: states with the same quantum numbers mix

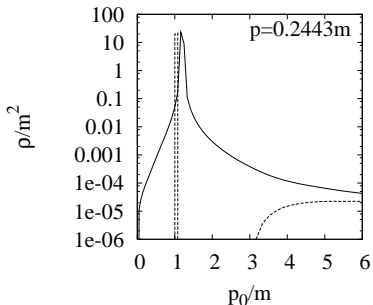
e.g. one-particle states mix with multi-particle states



multi-particle states have no “mass-shell”

(2-particle state with $\mathbf{k} = 0$ net momentum $E = E_{\mathbf{p}} + E_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{p}}$ possible $\forall \mathbf{p}$).

Typical spectrum



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

(AJ, PRD76 (2007) 125004 [[hep-ph/0612268](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0612268)])

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

Quasiparticles

- supports **quasiparticle** approximation:
like fundamental particles, but with modified mass and finite lifetime
- **BUT** no consistent PT can be built on this basic model:
finite lifetime \Rightarrow decaying particle \Rightarrow **violates**
E-conservation, unitarity
- we must keep all the energy levels \Rightarrow **2PI approximation**

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:

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

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

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basic model has a G^{-1} **non-local** kernel!

Consistency

- renormalizability ✓

(H. van Hees, J. Knoll, PRD66 (2002) 025028)

(A. Jakovac, Zs. Szep PRD71 (2005) 105001 [hep-ph/0405226])

(A. Patkos, Zs. Szep, Nucl.Phys. A811 (2008) 329, [arXiv:0806.2554])

- unitarity: no missing state ✓

- global symmetries ✓

- local symmetries (gauge) ✗

(U. Reinosa, J. Serreau, Ann.Phys. 325 (2010) 969, [arXiv:0906.2881])

- deep IR physics ✗

(A.J., P. Mati, arXiv:1112.3476 [hep-ph])

Lessons

- 1 For representation of finite width we need non-local theory
- 2 2PI framework treats non-local theories consistently

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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

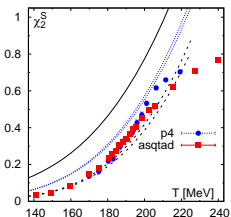
non-interacting hadrons

Taking into account all hadrons as stable particles

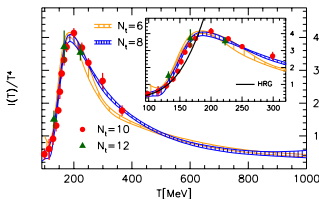
⇒ hadron resonance gas model (HRG)

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 reasonably well for thermodynamics!

⇒ How shall we represent a realistic spectrum of bound states?

Problems

- Spectrum and symmetries: HRG introduces a lot of new conserved quantities! (the particle numbers for different hadrons)

⇒ changes the symmetries of the basic model

does it matter?

- very short lifetime and “overlapping” hadronic states

how shall we treat them?

(J. Knoll, Yu.B. Ivanov and D.N. Voskresensky, Ann. of Phys. 293 (2001) 126)

Example

Example: 1 component free scalar model at high temperatures

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \Phi \mathcal{K} \Phi \text{ where } \mathcal{K} = -\partial^2 - m^2$$

$$\text{spectral function } \rho(k) = 2\pi \text{sgn}(k_0) \delta(k^2 - m^2)$$

$$\text{energy density: } \varepsilon = \frac{\pi^2}{30} T^4 \text{ at high } T$$

Take a 2-component representation!

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\Phi_1 \ \Phi_2) \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{K} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{K} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_1 \\ \Phi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

spectral function of $\Phi = \frac{\Phi_1 + \Phi_2}{\sqrt{2}}$ is the same!

$$\text{energy density: } \varepsilon = 2 \times \frac{\pi^2}{30} T^4 \quad \text{X: wrong with factor of 2}$$

Take a non-independent 2-component representation!

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$$\text{energy density: } \varepsilon = \frac{\pi^2}{30} T^4 \quad \checkmark$$

Lesson

Fields with the same quantum numbers may represent non-independent degrees of freedom!

Problematic also in QM, H gas

- if all excited states was independent, the H gas would be always ionized

(Landau, Lifshitz; Peierls: Surprises in theoretical physics)

- ad hoc solution: highly excited states are too large, omit them

Overlapping peaks

- Scattering theory (Beth-Uhlenbeck formula): resonances give contribution to the free energy \Rightarrow degrees of freedom

(Landau, Lifshitz V.)

- **well-separated** peaks are independent

(R.F Dashen, R. Rajaraman, PRD10 (1974), 694.)

- **non-well separated** peaks contribute to the S-matrix with **complex amplitudes**

\Rightarrow analytic: means relations between the amplitudes

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

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Overlapping peaks of a spectral function represent non-independent degrees of freedom!

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Nonlocal Lagrangian

Strategy

Represent a spectral function at fixed Q numbers with a single field.

(AJ. arXiv:1102.5629)

Similar to the 2PI resummation

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

- 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!

Consistency

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

- **unitarity** fulfilled if $\varrho(\omega > 0) \geq 0$ ✓
physically: we take into account all possible states
(J. Polonyi, A. Siwek, Phys. Rev. D81, 085040 (2010).)
- **causality**: x space-like vector
 $\langle [A(x), B(0)] \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow \varrho(x) = 0$
Now ϱ is an input \Rightarrow causality ✓
- energy and momentum conservation: consequence of the space and time translation symmetry ✓
- Lorentz-invariance: if kernel is Lorentz-invariant ✓

(similar to 2PI resummation case)

Consistency

We constructed a consistent (unitary, causal, E-conserving, Lorentz-invariant) **non-local** effective theory with correct symmetries!

⇒ This theory should be used to represent the (finite width) bound states.

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Energy density

Construction

- time translation symmetry \Rightarrow energy density (Noether-thm)
- finite temperature averaging (KMS relation)
- renormalization

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

Consequences

- pressure, entropy, etc come from standard thermodynamics
- **nonlinear** functional of ϱ ! (because $\varrho \Rightarrow \mathcal{K}$)
- rescaling invariant $\varrho \rightarrow Z\varrho$ yields the same energy density \Rightarrow only the energy levels count, not the way we measure them!

Number of degrees of freedom

More instructive characterization of the system:

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)

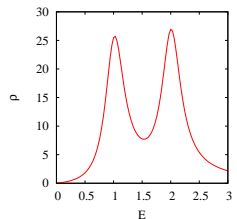
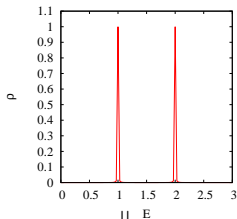
$$N_{dof} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dp_0}{2\pi} \frac{1}{p_0} \left(p_0 \frac{\partial \mathcal{K}}{\partial p_0} - \mathcal{K} \right) \varrho(p).$$

Consequences

- for $\varrho(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i \delta(\omega - E_i) \Rightarrow N_{dof} = n!$
independent of the normalization
- number of DoF is a **dynamical quantity**.

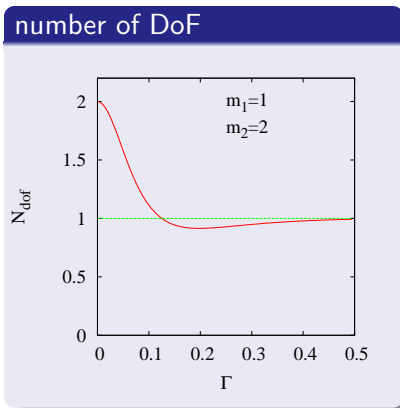
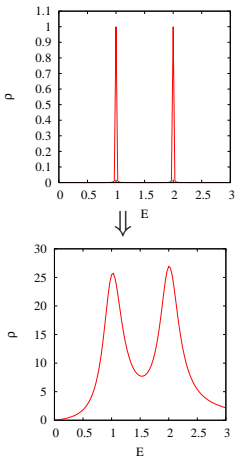
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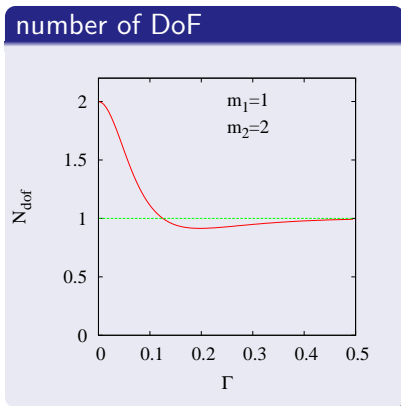
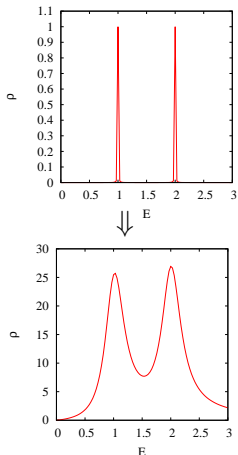
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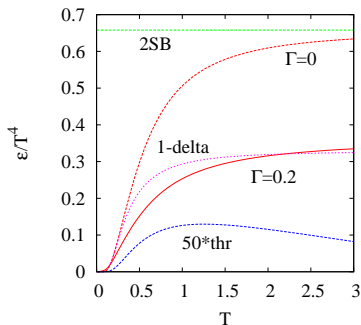
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independence: separation is larger than width

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

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](https://arxiv.org/abs/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 $\varrho \Rightarrow$ even larger peak in $\varrho^2 \Rightarrow \eta/s$ large
- shallow $\varrho \Rightarrow \varrho^2$ even shallower $\Rightarrow \eta/s$ small

robust result: broad spectral function describes liquid!

is it the universality in the background...?

- lower bound $\frac{\eta}{s} \geq \frac{s}{NLT^4}$
 N number of species, L "interaction length"
 no universal lower bound!

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Particle yields

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

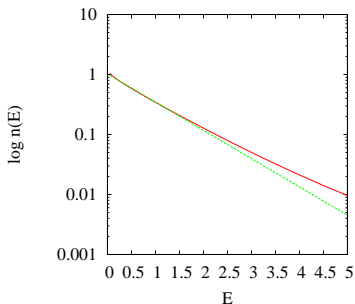
- quasiparticles in the plasma \neq vacuum particles
- **Dressing (“hadronization”)**: assume some conserved quantity: energy and momentum! (**works also with other assumptions**)
- observed energy spectrum:

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

- 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