

Resummation: screened perturbation theory versus weak coupling

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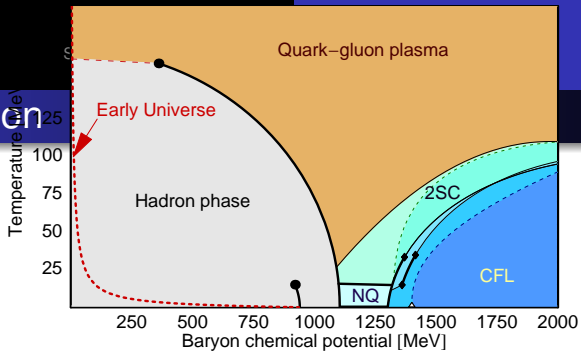
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Introduction

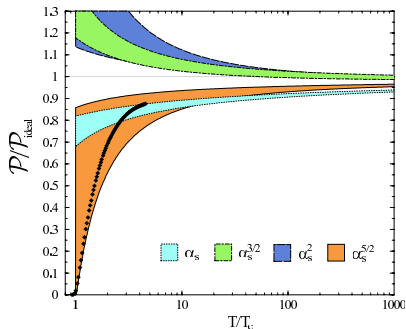


- Phase diagram of QCD ²

²Taken from Shovkovy's homepage

Introduction

- Weak-coupling expansion of the pressure through order $\alpha_s^{5/2}$.



³Zhai and Kastening, PRD **52**, 7232 (1995); Braaten and Nieto PRD **53**, 3421(1996); Boyd et al (lattice)

Introduction

- Pressure:
 - Can be calculated to order $\alpha^{5/2}$ either using resummed perturbation theory or effective field theory
 - Poor convergence properties
 - Breaks down at order α^3 due to infrared divergences (magnetic mass problem)
 - Three scales in the problem $\gg T$, gT , and $g^2 T$
 - Can use effective field theory methods to calculate effective theory for scale $g^2 T$
 - Put it on the lattice
 - g^6 contribution from scale T can be calculated from perturbation theory.

Dimensional reduction

- Fields (anti)periodic in Euclidean time $\beta = 1/T$
- Free propagators

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{p_0^2 + p^2},$$

- Nonzero Matsubara modes have a mass of order T and decouple.
- Construct an effective field theory in three dimensions for static mode
- Effective field theory valid for soft scale gT

Recipe

- Recipe:
 - Write down the most general three-dimensional Lagrangian consistent with the symmetries
 - Determine the coefficients by matching
 - Power counting
 - Use the effective Lagrangian in actual calculations

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 + \frac{g_3^2}{24}\phi^4 + \dots$$

- Also include coefficient of unit operator $f!$
- Coefficients of \mathcal{L}_{eff} are power series in g^2

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{F}_{\text{hard}} = & -\frac{\pi^2 T^4}{90} \left\{ 1 - \frac{5}{4} \alpha \right. \\
 & + \frac{15}{4} \left[L + \frac{1}{3} \gamma_E + \frac{31}{45} + \frac{4}{3} \frac{\zeta'(-1)}{\zeta(-1)} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{\zeta'(-3)}{\zeta(-3)} \right] \alpha^2 \\
 & + \frac{15}{16} \left[\frac{\pi^2}{\epsilon} - 12L^2 - \left(\frac{1084}{45} + 8\gamma_E - 8\pi^2 + 32 \frac{\zeta'(-1)}{\zeta(-1)} \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. - 16 \frac{\zeta'(-3)}{\zeta(-3)} \right) L - \frac{134}{9} - \frac{25}{3} \gamma_E^2 - \frac{1}{27} \zeta(3) \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{31}{15} \gamma_E - \frac{\pi^2}{2} + 4\gamma_E \pi^2 - \frac{206}{9} \frac{\zeta'(-1)}{\zeta(-1)} - \frac{16}{3} \gamma_1 + 8\gamma_E \frac{\zeta'(-3)}{\zeta(-3)} \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{4}{3} \gamma_E \frac{\zeta'(-1)}{\zeta(-1)} - 8 \left(\frac{\zeta'(-1)}{\zeta(-1)} \right)^2 - \frac{20}{3} \frac{\zeta''(-1)}{\zeta(-1)} \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{2}{3} C'_{\text{ball}} + 2C_{\text{triangle}}^a + \pi^2 C_{\text{triangle}}^b \right] \alpha^3 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \left. \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$g_3^2 = g^2 T \left[1 - \frac{3g^2}{(4\pi)^2} (L + \gamma_E) - \frac{3g^2}{(4\pi)^2} \left(L^2 + 2\gamma_E L + \frac{\pi^2}{8} - 2\gamma_1 \right) \epsilon \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{m}^2 &= \frac{1}{24} g^2 T^2 \left\{ 1 + \frac{g^2}{(4\pi)^2} \left[L + 2 - \gamma_E + 2 \frac{\zeta'(-1)}{\zeta(-1)} \right] \right. \\
 &\quad - \frac{6g^4}{(4\pi)^4} \left[\frac{5}{2} L^2 + \frac{19}{18} L + \frac{2851}{864} - \frac{95}{48} \gamma_E^2 \right. \\
 &\quad + 3\gamma_E L - \frac{119}{144} \gamma_E - \frac{1}{144} \zeta(3) - 7\gamma_1 \\
 &\quad + \frac{\zeta'(-1)}{\zeta(-1)} \left(2L + \frac{113}{72} + \frac{17}{12} \gamma_E \right) - \frac{1}{4} \frac{\zeta''(-1)}{\zeta(-1)} + \frac{25}{32} \pi^2 \\
 &\quad \left. \left. - 2\gamma_E \log(2\pi) + 2 \log^2(2\pi) - \frac{1}{24} C'_{\text{ball}} + \frac{1}{4} C_I \right] + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \right\}, \\
 \Delta m^2 &= \frac{g^4 T^2}{24(4\pi)^2 \epsilon} \left[1 - \frac{6g^2}{(4\pi)^2} (L + \gamma_E) - \frac{6g^2}{(4\pi)^2} \left(L^2 + 2\gamma_E L + \frac{\pi^2}{8} - \dots \right) \right. \\
 &= \frac{g_3^4}{24(4\pi)^2 \epsilon}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- Calculations in the effective theory

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^0 = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{int}} = \frac{g_3^2}{24}\phi^4$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{F}(s) = & -\frac{m^3 T}{12\pi} + \frac{g_3^2 m^2 T}{8(4\pi)^2} + \frac{g_3^4 m T}{96(4\pi)^3} [8L_m + 9 - 8 \log 2] \\
 & + \frac{g_3^6 T}{768(4\pi)^4} [-4 + 16 \log 2 - 16L_m - 42\zeta(3) \\
 & + \pi^2(1 + 2 \log 2 + 4L_m)] \\
 & - \frac{g_3^8 T}{288m(4\pi)^5} \left[L_m^2 + \frac{1}{4}L_m - 2L_m \log 2 - \frac{15}{64} - \frac{3}{8}\pi^2 \right. \\
 & + \frac{9}{8}\pi^2 \log 2 + \frac{23}{4} \log 2 + 6 \log^2 2 \\
 & \left. - 6 \log 3 - \frac{81}{16}\zeta(3) + 5\text{Li}_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 9C_{4j} \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

- Hard contribution to the pressure

- Soft contribution to the pressure

- Total pressure to order g^7

- Can selectively resum higher orders by not expanding the parameters m^2 and g_3^2

Screened perturbation theory

- Screened perturbation theory ⁴
 - Weak-coupling expansion is an expansion about an ideal gas of massless particles

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\phi)^2 + \frac{g^2}{24}\phi^4$$

- Perhaps better to expand about an ideal gas of massive particles

$$\mathcal{L}^0 = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{int}} = -\frac{1}{2}m_1^2\phi^2 + \frac{g^2}{24}\phi^4$$

- Variational calculations

⁴Karsch, Patkos, and Petreczky, PLB **401** 69 (1997).

Screened perturbation theory

- Recipe
 - Treat $m^2 \mathcal{O}(1)$ term
 - Treat $\frac{1}{2}m_1^2\phi^2$ and $g^2\phi^4$ as perturbations on equal footing.
 - Calculate physical quantities and set $m_1 = m$ at the end
 - Feynman rules for SPT

- Mass prescription

Screened perturbation theory

- Feynman graphs through four loops

Screened perturbation theory

- Prescriptions for mass parameter m

- Debye mass

$$p^2 + m^2 + \Sigma(0, p) = 0.$$

- Tadpole mass

$$\begin{aligned} m_t^2 &= g^2 \left. \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial m^2} \right|_{m_1=m} \\ &= g^2 \langle \phi^2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- Variational mass

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial m^2} = 0$$

- Prescriptions for mass parameter m cont'd

- All gap equations are the same at one loop:

$$\begin{aligned}
 m^2 &= \frac{1}{2} g^2 \sum_{p_0} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{P^2 + m^2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \alpha(\mu^*) \left[J_1(\beta m) T^2 - \left(2 \log \frac{\mu}{\mu^*} + 1 \right) m^2 \right] \\
 J_1(\beta m) &= 8\beta^2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dp p^2}{(p^2 + m^2)^{1/2}} \frac{1}{e^{\beta(p^2 + m^2)^{1/2}} - 1} \\
 J_1(0) &= \frac{4\pi^2}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Gap equations differ at two loop and higher

- Prescriptions for mass parameter m cont'd
 - Debye mass not well defined in nonabelian gauge theories beyond leading order.
 - Tadpole mass not well defined in nonabelian gauge theories since $\langle \phi^2 \rangle \rightarrow \langle \mathbf{A}_\mu \mathbf{A}_\mu \rangle$
 - Variational mass well defined for gauge theories
 - Screening mass and tadpole mass do not have solutions for all values of g

Miscellaneous

- Two-loop SPT-result for the pressure, the gap equation and the entropy are the same as those for the two-loop 2PI effective action (but different renormalization!) ⁵

$$\begin{aligned}
 TS_2 &= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left[2J_0 T^4 + J_1 m^2 T^2 \right] \\
 J_0(\beta m) &= \frac{16}{3} \beta^4 \int_0^\infty \frac{dp p^4}{(p^2 + m^2)^{1/2}} \frac{1}{e^{\beta(p^2 + m^2)^{1/2}} - 1} \\
 J_0(0) &= \frac{16\pi^4}{45}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Entropy of ideal gas of massive particles.

⁵Blaizot, Iancu, and Rebhan PRD **63**, 065003 (2001), JOA, Braaten and Strickland PRD **63**, 105008 (2001) 

Mass expansions

- At four loops, we cannot calculate sum-integrals (semi)-analytically
- Carry out an m/T expansion, where m is of order gT
- Expansions converges reasonably fast
- One-loop example:


$$\sum_{p_0} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \log(p_0^2 + p^2 + m^2) = \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \log(p^2 + m^2) + \sum'_{p_0} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\frac{m^2}{P^2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{m^4}{P^4} + \dots \right]$$

- More involved for multiloop diagrams

Numerical results

- m/T expansions of two, three, and four-loop approximations. Weak-coupling expansion for comparison

Numerical results

- m/T expansions of two, three, and four-loop 

Conclusions and outlook

- We have calculated the free energy to order g^7 at weak-coupling
- Can use evolution equation for parameters in \mathcal{L}_{eff} to sum up $g^{2n+3} \log^n(g)$ etc
- Complicated calculations of loop diagrams in four dimensions necessary to get hard g^6 contribution in QCD
- Screened perturbation theory shows remarkable stability
- We are working on three-loop hard-thermal-loop perturbation theory for QED and QCD