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# Soft light-cone observables from electrostatic QCD

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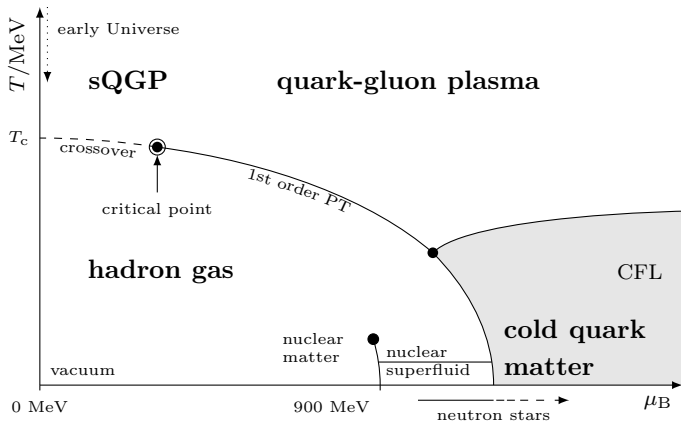
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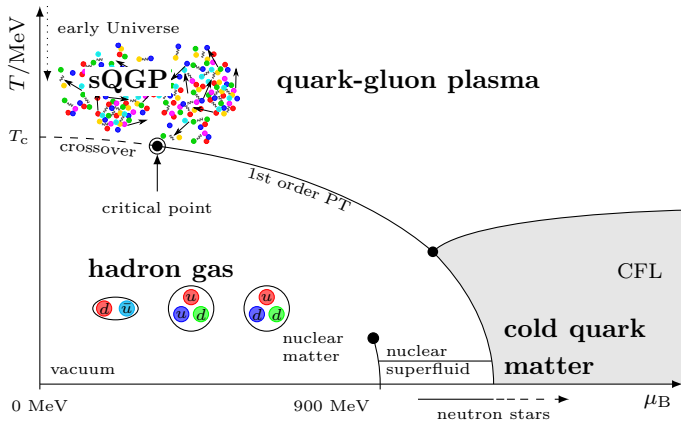


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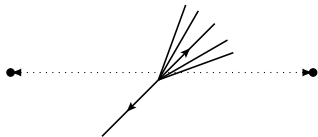
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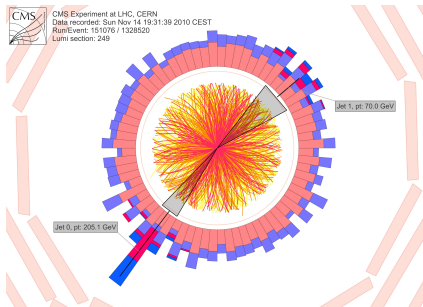
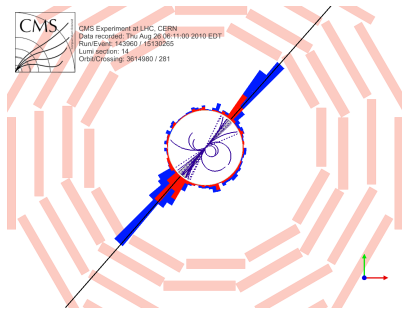
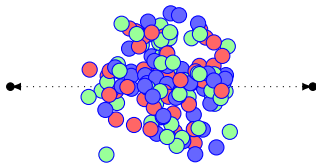


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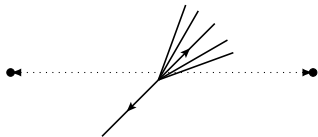
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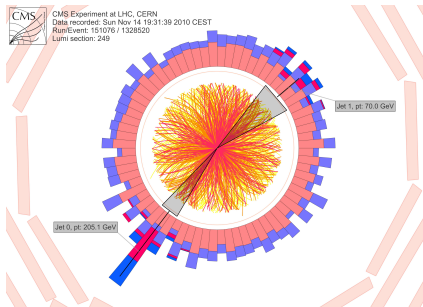
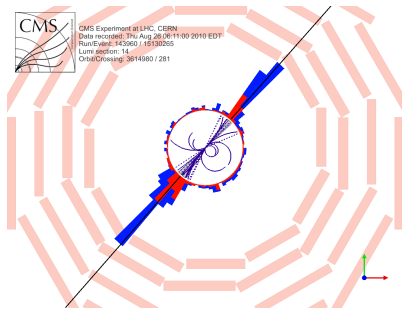
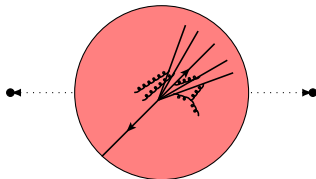
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## QCD in thermal equilibrium

Preferred choice: First principle lattice methods. Fail at certain regimes:

- ▷ Intermediate chemical potential ( $\uparrow \mu$ )
- ▷ Implement chiral fermions on the lattice at finite  $T$
- ▷ Incorporating hierarchy of scales

Near  $T_c$  non-perturbative modes dominate (show later)  $\rightarrow$  Lattice.

In a weakly coupled electroweak theory at high  $T \rightarrow$  Analytic methods.

$\Rightarrow$  Interplay of both methods. **Today:** Weak-coupling.

# High-temperature effective theories



# Equilibrium Thermodynamics: Imaginary Time Formalism

$\rho(\beta) = e^{-\beta\mathcal{H}} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(t) = e^{-i\mathcal{H}t}$ . Relating density operator to time evolution corresponds to path integral over imaginary-time  $t \rightarrow -i\tau$ ,

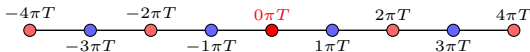
$$\mathcal{Z} = C \int_{\text{b.c.}} \mathcal{D}\phi \exp \left[ - \int_0^{\beta=1/T} d\tau \int_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}_{\text{E}} \right], \quad \phi(0, \mathbf{x}) = \pm \phi(\beta, \mathbf{x}).$$

(Anti-)periodic bosonic(fermionic) fields at boundaries  $\rightarrow$  **compactified time direction**:  $\mathbb{R}^3 \times S^1_{\beta}$ .

Finite- $\tau$  and (b.c.) induce a discrete Fourier sum for time component  $P = (\omega_n, \mathbf{p})$  with Matsubara frequencies

$$\omega_n = \begin{cases} 2n\pi T & \text{bosonic} \\ (2n+1)\pi T & \text{fermionic} \end{cases}$$

Absent zero mode  $\omega_{n=0}$  for fermions:



## Differences to zero temperature

$(d + 1) \rightarrow d$ -dimensional theory with infinite tower of massive modes.

Euclidean free-particle propagator for bosonic(fermionic) fields:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{-----} \\ A_\mu \\ \text{-----} \\ \psi_i \longrightarrow \end{array} \right\} \propto \frac{1}{P^2 + m^2} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{p}^2 + \omega_n^2 + m^2}, \quad P = (\omega_n, \mathbf{p}).$$

Same diagrams as in zero temperature QFT, go over to Euclidean space, and substitute Euclidean frequency integrals by sums

$$\int \frac{d^{d+1}p}{(2\pi)^{d+1}} f(p) \rightarrow T \sum_n \int \frac{d^d p}{(2\pi)^d} f(\omega_n, \mathbf{p}) = \oint_P f(\omega_n, \mathbf{p}).$$

- ▶ Ultraviolet (UV) contained at  $T = 0$
- ▶ Infrared (IR) sensitivity worsened  $\rightarrow$  field in reduced spacetime dimension

# Multi-scale Hierarchy in hot gauge theories

Evaluate Matsubara sums yielding Bose(Fermi) distribution. At asymptotically high- $T$  and weak  $g \ll 1$  the effective expansion parameter

$$g^2 n_B(|p|) = \frac{g^2}{e^{|p|/T} - 1} \approx \frac{g^2 T}{|p|}$$

differs from the weak coupling  $g^2$ . Fermions are IR-safe  $g^2 n_F |p| \sim g^2/2$ .

Theory separates scales rigorously:

$$|p| \sim \begin{cases} \pi T & \text{hard scale} \\ gT & \text{soft scale} \\ g^2 T / \pi & \text{ultrasoft scale} \end{cases}$$

**Limit:** Confinement-like behavior in ultrasoft sector  $g^2 n_B(g^2 T) \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ . Light bosons are non-perturbative at finite  $T$ : **Linde IR problem**.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> A. Linde, *Infrared problem in the thermodynamics of the Yang-Mills gas*, Phys. Lett. B **96** (1980) 289

## Resummation

Dynamically generated masses through collective plasma effects


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Cure IR sensitive contributions at  $m_T \sim gT$  by thermal resummation:

A Feynman diagram showing a loop of N bosons. The loop is represented by a circle with N small circles (bosons) on its circumference. A dashed line with a dot at its end extends from the top of the loop, representing an external fermion line.
$$\text{Loop with } N \text{ bosons} \propto g^{2N} \left[ m_T^{3-2N} T \right] \left[ \frac{T^2}{12} \right]^N \propto m^3 T \left[ \frac{gT}{m_T} \right]^{2N}$$

For  $m_T \leq g^2 T$  weak expansion breaks down. At finite  $T$ , light bosons are non-perturbative.

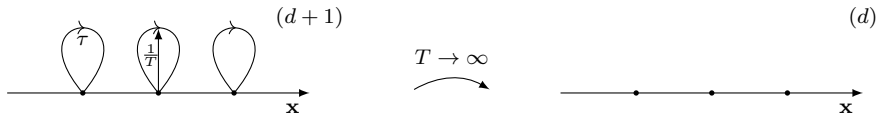
# Effective Theory (EFT): Definition

Framework for theory with scale hierarchy: **Effective Field Theory**.

- 1 Identify soft degrees of freedom.
- 2 Construct most general low-energy Lagrangian.
- 3 *Match* Green's functions  $\rightarrow$  determine EFT coupling constants.

Perturbative and IR safe: Matching in the IR (regime of mutual validity), UV incorporated in EFT coefficients.

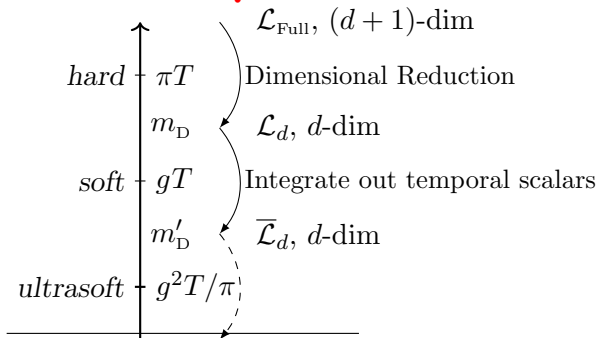
Modes with wavelengths  $|\mathbf{x}|, |x_0| \gg \beta$  or  $\omega_n^2 + m^2 \ll T^2$  *effectively* live in 3-dimensions.



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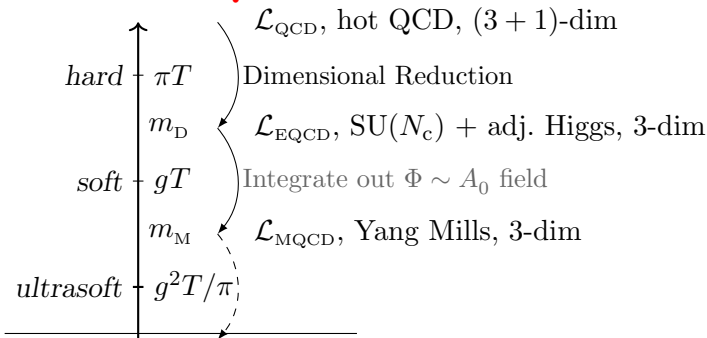
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# Dimensionally reduced effective theory for hot QCD

QCD described by 3-dimensional **super-renormalisable** theory

$$S_{\text{EQCD}} = \frac{1}{T} \int_{\mathbf{x}} \left\{ \mathcal{L}_{\text{EQCD}} + \sum_{n \geq 5} \frac{\mathcal{O}_n}{(\pi T)^n} \right\}.$$

“Electrostatic QCD” (EQCD) at high  $T$  ( $A_0^a \rightarrow \Phi^a$ )

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EQCD}} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} F_{ij} F_{ij} + \text{Tr} [D_i, \Phi][D_i, \Phi] + m_D^2 \text{Tr} \Phi^2 + \lambda_E (\text{Tr} \Phi^2)^2,$$

$D_i = \partial_i - ig_E A_i$ . Developed to study

- ▷ high- $T$  thermodynamics,<sup>4</sup>
- ▷ soft light-cone observables.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> P. Ginsparg, *First and second order phase transitions in gauge theories at finite temperature*, Nucl. Phys. B **170** (1980) 388, T. Appelquist and R. D. Pisarski, *High-temperature Yang-Mills theories and three-dimensional quantum chromodynamics*, Phys. Rev. D **23** (1981) 2305

<sup>5</sup> S. Caron-Huot,  *$O(g)$  plasma effects in jet quenching*, Phys. Rev. D **79** (2009) 065039 [0811.1603], J. Ghiglieri, J. Hong, A. Kurkela, E. Lu, G. D. Moore, and D. Teaney, *Next-to-leading order thermal photon production in a weakly coupled quark-gluon plasma*, JHEP **2013** (2013) 10 [1302.5970]



# EFT step 1: hot QCD $\rightarrow$ EQCD

DR step 1 fixes high- $T$  EQCD. EFT for **Electrostatic modes** ( $D_i = \partial_i - ig_E A_i$ ), Describes hot QCD IR dynamics and contains UV in matching coefficients:<sup>6</sup>

$$g_E^2 = \underbrace{T^2 g^2}_{\mathcal{O}(g^2)} + \underbrace{\#g^4}_{\mathcal{O}(g^4)} + \underbrace{\#g^6}_{\mathcal{O}(g^6)} + \underbrace{\#g^8}_{\mathcal{O}(g^8)} + \mathcal{O}(g^{10}),$$
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<sup>6</sup> I. Ghişoiu, *Three-loop Debye mass and effective coupling in thermal QCD*, PhD thesis, Universität Bielefeld, Jan, 2013, I. Ghişoiu, J. Möller, and Y. Schröder, *Debye screening mass of hot Yang-Mills theory to three-loop order*, JHEP **2015** (2015) 121 [1509.08727], K. Kajantie, M. Laine, K. Rummukainen, and M. Shaposhnikov, *3d SU(N) + adjoint Higgs theory and finite temperature QCD*, Nucl. Phys. B **503** (1997) 357 [9704416]

## EFT step 2: EQCD $\rightarrow$ MQCD

DR step 2 fixes high- $T$  MQCD. EFT for **Magnetostatic modes** aka **3d pure Yang-Mills** ( $D_i = \partial_i - ig_M A_i$ ). Describes EQCD IR dynamics and contains UV in matching coefficients:<sup>7</sup>

$$g_M^2 = + \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{1-loop} \\ \# \frac{g_E^4}{m_D} \\ \mathcal{O}(g^3) \end{array}} + \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{2-loop} \\ \# \frac{g_E^6}{m_D^2} \end{array}} + \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{3-loop} \\ \# \frac{g_E^8}{m_D^3} \end{array}} + \dots ,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{MQCD}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{3d Yang-Mills}} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} F_{ij} F_{ij} .$$

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<sup>7</sup> M. Laine and Y. Schröder, *Two-loop QCD gauge coupling at high temperatures*, JHEP **03** (2005) 067 [hep-ph/0503061], M. Laine, P. Schicho, and Y. Schröder, *Soft thermal contributions to 3-loop gauge coupling*, JHEP **2018** (2018) 37 [1803.08689]

## Possible improvements:

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Appelquist-Carazzone decoupling theorem<sup>8</sup> breaks down at finite- $T$ <sup>9</sup>.

WHAT IF WE TRIED  
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<sup>8</sup> T. Appelquist and J. Carazzone, *Infrared singularities and massive fields*, Phys. Rev. D **11** (1975) 2856

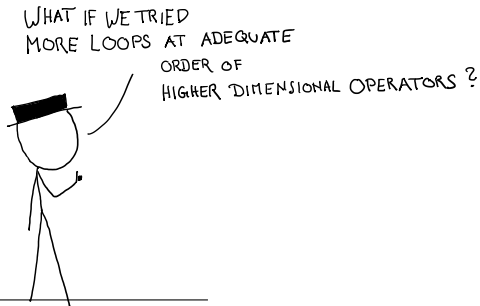
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These are related!



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# Dimension-six operators in EQCD

1-loop sum-integral yields finite contributions

$$\not\int'_P \frac{1}{P^6} = \frac{\zeta_3}{128\pi^4 T^2} [1 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)] .$$

Augment  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{EQCD}}$  by dim-6 operators<sup>10</sup> and colour trace in adjoint rep:<sup>11</sup>

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\mathcal{L}_{\text{EQCD}}[A] = & \left( \frac{2g_E^2 \zeta_3}{128\pi^4 T^2} \right) \text{Tr} \left\{ c_1 (D_\mu F_{\mu\nu})^2 + c_2 (D_\mu F_{\mu 0})^2 \right. \\ & + ig_E [c_3 F_{\mu\nu} F_{\nu\rho} F_{\rho\mu} + c_4 F_{0\mu} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\nu 0} + c_5 A_0 (D_\mu F_{\mu\nu}) F_{0\nu}] \\ & + g_E^2 [c_6 A_0^2 F_{\mu\nu}^2 + c_7 A_0 F_{\mu\nu} A_0 F_{\mu\nu} + c_8 A_0^2 F_{0\mu}^2 + c_9 A_0 F_{0\mu} A_0 F_{0\mu}] \\ & \left. + g_E^4 [c_{10} A_0^6] \right\} . \end{aligned}$$

Redundancies of coefficients leave physics invariant and are practical for cross-checks:

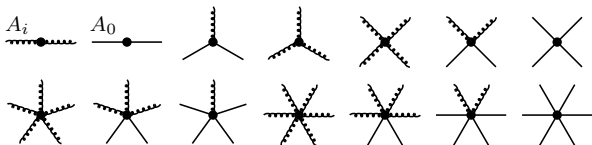
$$c_i^{\text{new}} \equiv c_i + \delta c_i, \quad i = 4, \dots, 7 .$$

<sup>10</sup> S. Chapman, *New dimensionally reduced effective action for QCD at high temperature*, Phys. Rev. D **50** (1994) 5308 [9407313]

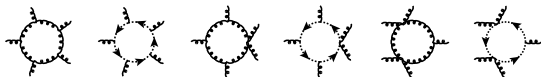
<sup>11</sup>  $\text{Tr}(AB) = A_{ab}B_{ba}$  with e.g.  $(A_0)_{ab} = -if^{abc}A_0^c$  and  $X^{abcd} = f^{m_4 a m_1} \dots f^{m_3 d m_4}$  etc.

# Vertex structures and matching

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EQCD}} + \delta\mathcal{L}_{\text{EQCD}}$  is non-super-renormalisable.



Determine coefficients  $c_i(d)$  in  $d$ -dimensions in background field gauge<sup>12</sup>. Evaluate (2–6)-point vertices at one-loop order in hot YM  $\rightarrow$  uniqueness.



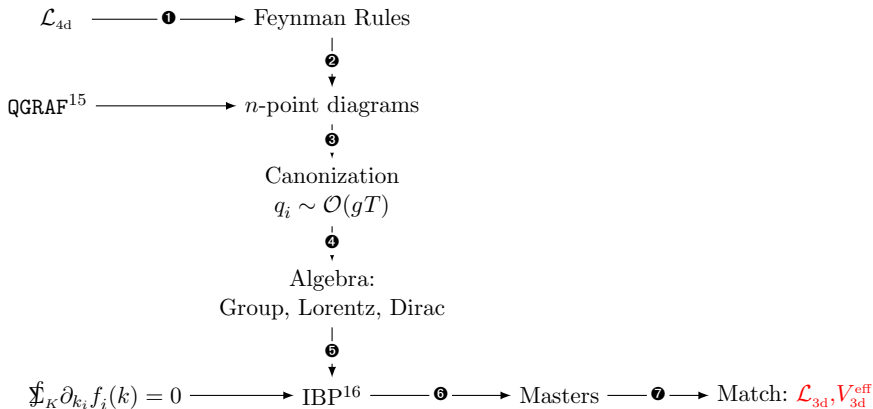
Done in  $d$ -dimensions.<sup>13</sup>

<sup>12</sup> L. Abbott, *The background field method beyond one loop*, Nucl. Phys. B **185** (1981) 189

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# Dimensional Reduction automated (DRalgo)

State-of-the-art Mathematica package DRalgo<sup>14</sup> for BSM and QCD.  
Supply model Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}_{4d}$ :



<sup>14</sup> A. Ekstedt, P. Schicho, and T. V. I. Tenkanen, DRalgo: a package for effective field theory approach for thermal phase transitions, [2205.08815]

<sup>15</sup> P. Nogueira, Automatic Feynman Graph Generation, J. Comput. Phys. **105** (1993) 279

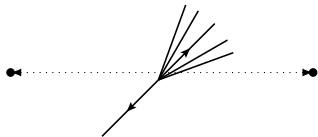
<sup>16</sup> S. Laporta, High precision calculation of multiloop Feynman integrals by difference equations, Int. J. Mod. Phys. A **15** (2000) 5087 [hep-ph/0102033]

# **Jet modifications in the QGP: Jet dispersion**

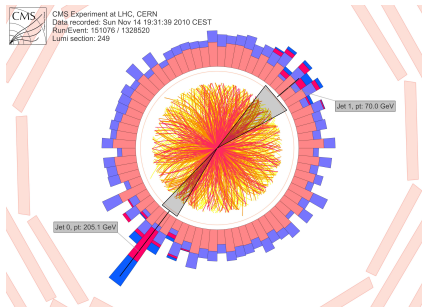
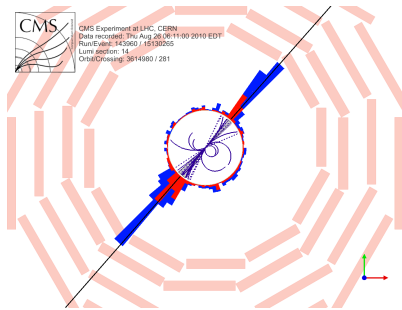
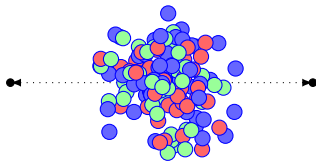


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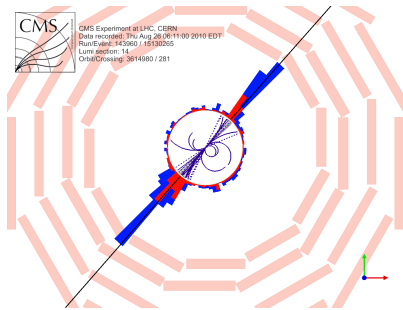
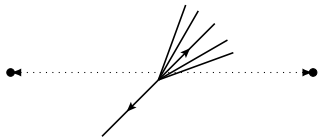
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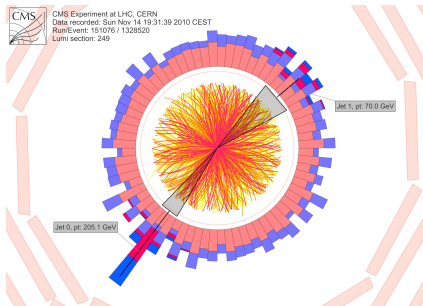
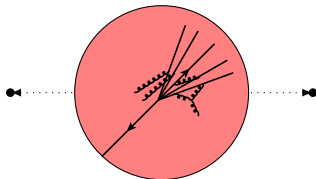
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# Medium-induced radiation

Jet splitting rates in BDMPS-Z<sup>17</sup> formalism; ( $a \rightarrow b + c$ ):

$$\frac{dP_{bc}^a}{dk} \sim \text{Re} \int_{t_1 < t_2} dt_1 dt_2 \nabla_{\mathbf{b}_1} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{b}_2} \left[ \mathcal{K}(t_2, \mathbf{b}_2; t_1, \mathbf{b}_1) |_{\mathbf{b}_2=\mathbf{b}_1=0} - (\text{vac.}) \right],$$

where  $\mathcal{K}$  is the Green's function of the Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H} = \left[ -\frac{p \nabla_{\mathbf{b}}^2}{2k(p-k)} + \sum_i \frac{m_i^2}{2E_i} \right] - \left[ i\mathcal{C}_3 \right],$$

that encodes transverse diffusion.

**Real part:** Kinetic term for transverse propagation in the medium with **in-medium masses**  $m_i$ .

**Imaginary part:** Interaction with the medium; scattering kernel.

<sup>17</sup> R. Baier, Y. L. Dokshitzer, A. H. Mueller, S. Peigne, and D. Schiff, *Radiative energy loss and  $p(T)$  broadening of high-energy partons in nuclei*, Nucl. Phys. B **484** (1997) 265 [hep-ph/9608322], B. G. Zakharov, *Radiative energy loss of high-energy quarks in finite-size nuclear matter and quark-gluon plasma*, J. Exp. Theor. Phys. Lett. **65** (1997) 615 [9704255]

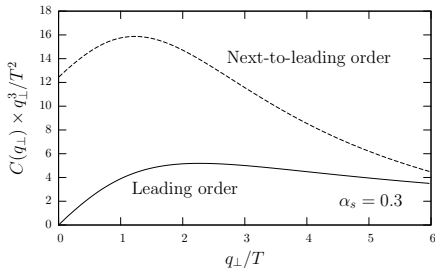
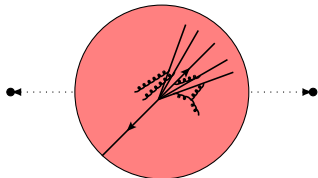
# Jet modifications are infrared sensitive

$$g^2 n_B(p) \approx g^2 T/p \quad \left[ g^2 n_F(p) \approx g^2/2 \right]$$

$p \sim T$  Hard particles carry most of the stress-energy tensor.

$p \sim gT$  Classical soft medium modes.

Jet-medium interactions in the quark-gluon plasma (QGP) can have large **non-perturbative** IR contributions.<sup>18</sup>



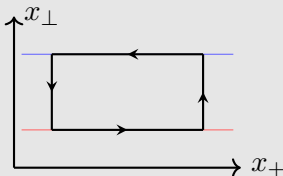
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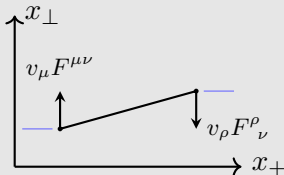
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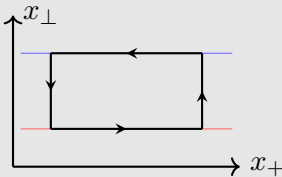
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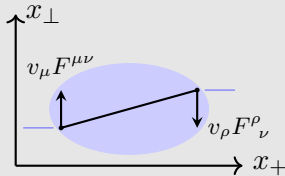
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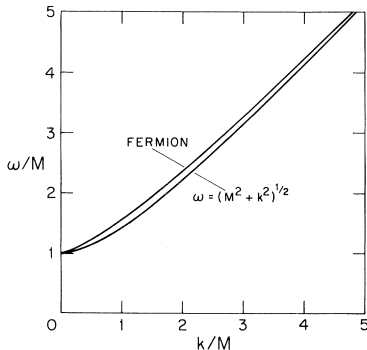
Integrate out jet energy scale  $E \gg T$ .

Truncate  $\frac{T}{E}$ -series: LO correlators<sup>22</sup>

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$$Z_f \equiv \frac{1}{2d_R} \left\langle \bar{\psi} \frac{v_\mu \gamma^\mu}{v \cdot D} \psi \right\rangle$$

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## Condensates of the asymptotic masses

In QCD rewrite detour through the medium as<sup>23</sup>

$$Z_g = -\frac{1}{d_A} \int_0^\infty dx^+ x^+ \left\langle v_\mu F_a^{\mu\nu}(x^+) U_A^{ab}(x^+; 0) v_\rho F_{b\nu}^\rho(0) \right\rangle ,$$

and match also operator onto **EQCD**

$$Z_g^{3d} = -\frac{4T}{d_A} \int_0^\infty dL L \left( -\langle EE \rangle + \langle BB \rangle + i\langle EB \rangle \right) .$$

Correlator splits into electro- and magneto-static contributions:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle EE \rangle &\equiv \frac{1}{2} \langle (D_x \Phi(L))^a \tilde{U}_A^{ab}(L, 0) (D_x \Phi(0))^b \rangle , \\ \langle BB \rangle &\equiv \frac{1}{2} \langle F_{xz}^a(L) \tilde{U}_A^{ab}(L, 0) F_{xz}^b(0) \rangle , \\ i\langle EB \rangle &\equiv \frac{i}{2} \langle (D_x \Phi(L))^a \tilde{U}_A^{ab}(L, 0) F_{xz}^b(0) \rangle + [BE] . \end{aligned}$$

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<sup>23</sup> $U_A(x^+; 0)$  is an adjoint, light-like Wilson line.



# EFT matching with full QCD

Strategy:

$$C_{\text{QCD}}(x) = \underbrace{C_{\text{QCD}}(x) - C_{\text{EQCD}}(x)}_{\text{UV dominated}} + \underbrace{C_{\text{EQCD}}(x)}_{\text{lattice}}$$

- ▷ Done<sup>24</sup> for  $C(q_{\perp})$ .
- ▷ Partially done<sup>25</sup> for  $m_{\infty}^2$ .
  - Missing full QCD contribution.

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<sup>24</sup> P. Arnold and W. Xiao, *High-energy jet quenching in weakly coupled quark-gluon plasmas*, Phys. Rev. D **78** (2008) 125008 [0810.1026], J. Ghiglieri and H. Kim, *Transverse momentum broadening and collinear radiation at NLO in the  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM plasma*, JHEP **2018** (2018) 49 [1809.01349], G. D. Moore, S. Schlichting, N. Schlusser, and I. Soudi, *Non-perturbative determination of collisional broadening and medium induced radiation in QCD plasmas*, JHEP **10** (2021) 059 [2105.01679], S. Schlichting and I. Soudi, *Splitting rates in QCD plasmas from a non-perturbative determination of the momentum broadening kernel  $C(q_{\perp})$* , [2111.13731]

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The image displays a large grid of Feynman diagrams, organized into rows and columns. The diagrams represent various particle interactions, including loops, tree-level processes, and more complex multi-loop structures. A central black rectangular box is overlaid on the grid, containing the text "Asymptotic masses at NLO: The EQCD side" in white. The diagrams are arranged in a regular pattern, with some rows and columns appearing to be partially obscured or cut off by the grid boundaries.

**Asymptotic masses at NLO:  
The EQCD side**

# $Z_g$ receives IR contributions already at $\mathcal{O}(g)^{26}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{scale } T \text{ (hard)} & \text{scale } gT \text{ (soft)} & \text{scale } g^2T \text{ (ultrasoft)}
 \end{array}$$

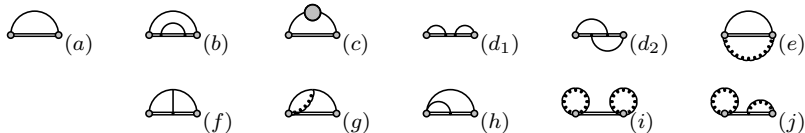
$$\begin{aligned}
 Z_g = & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \frac{T^2}{6} - \frac{T\mu_h}{\pi^2} \\ + \left[ \begin{array}{c} -\frac{Tm_D}{2\pi} + \frac{T\mu_h}{\pi^2} \\ + \left[ \begin{array}{c} c_{\text{hard}}^{\ln} \ln \frac{T}{\mu_h} + c_T \\ + c_{\text{hard}}^{\ln} \ln \frac{\mu_h}{m_D} + c_{\text{soft}}^{\ln} \ln \frac{m_D}{\mu_s} + c_{gT} \\ + c_{\text{soft}}^{\ln} \ln \frac{\mu_s}{g^2T} + c_{gT^2} \end{array} \right] \\ + \mathcal{O}(g^3) . \end{array} \right] \end{array} \right]
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Scheme-dependent at NLO; use intermediate regulators  $T \gg \mu_h \gg gT$  and  $gT \gg \mu_s \gg g^2T$ .

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## $Z_g$ in EQCD perturbatively

Diagrams contributing at LO + NLO to the force-force correlator  $Z_g$  in EQCD:

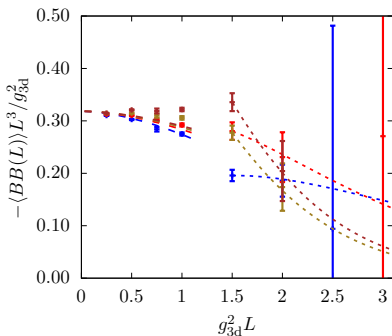
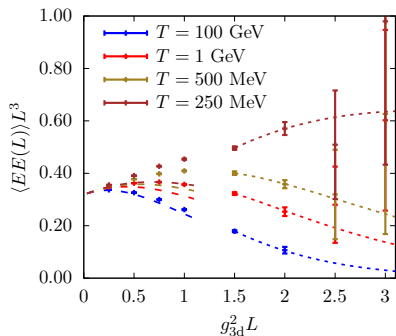


**Example:** LO colour-electric condensate  $\langle EE \rangle$  – free solution

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Diagram (a)} &= 2 \times (a)^{\text{EE}} = \partial_x \partial_{x'} \text{Tr} \langle \Phi^a(x, L) \Phi^a(x', 0) \rangle \Big|_{x, x' \rightarrow 0} \\
 &= \frac{2C_A C_F}{4\pi L^3} \epsilon^{-m_D L} (1 + m_D L)
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# Asymptotic masses (non-)perturbatively

Three different correlators contribute to  $Z_g \subset m_\infty^2$  in EQCD:

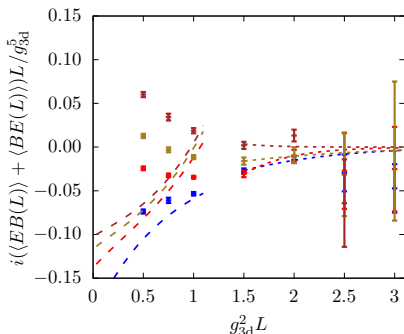
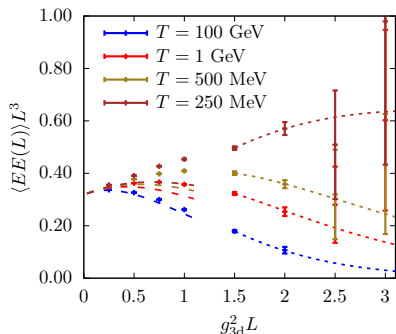


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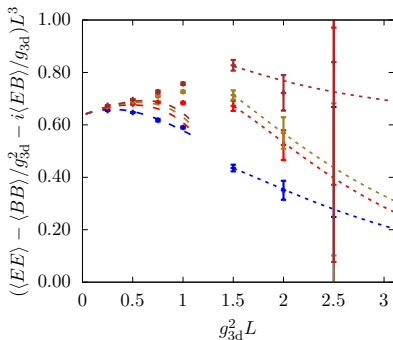
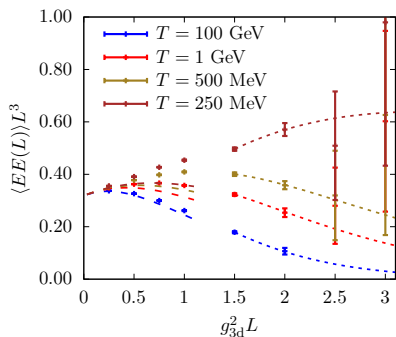


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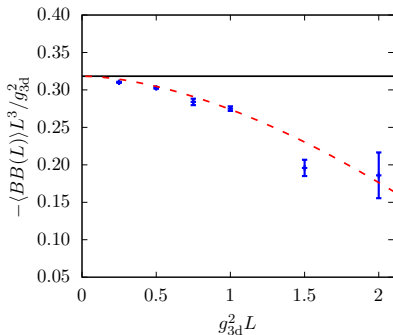
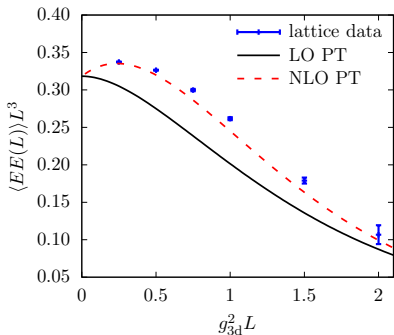


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For  $T = 100$  GeV and  $N_f = 5$ , strong agreement between perturbative and non-perturbative  $Z_g$ .





# Conclusions

- ▶ Jet modifications (+other transport) involves soft IR QCD  $\rightarrow$  (lattice) QCD
- ▶ Key quantities are  $C(b_{\perp})$  and asymptotic mass  $m_{\infty}^2$  from lattice EQCD

What's next for  $m_{\infty}^2$ ?

- ☆ Finalise matching computation to full QCD
- ☆ Jet splitting rates
- ☆ Input to effective kinetic theory AMY<sup>28</sup>  $\rightarrow$  GMT<sup>29</sup>
- ☆ Ingredients for NNLO-transport
- ☆ Feed into event generator

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<sup>28</sup> P. B. Arnold, G. D. Moore, and L. G. Yaffe, *Effective kinetic theory for high temperature gauge theories*, JHEP **01** (2003) 030 [[hep-ph/0209353](#)]

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