

# *Quarkonium in an anisotropic plasma*

*The static potential from first principles*

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## Topics of this talk

- The real-time static potential is introduced to generalize the QCD static potential to a thermal setting. The physical signature of quarkonium in an isotropic medium is discussed.
- A calculation of the  $q\bar{q}$ -potential in an anisotropic medium is presented.
- It will be shown that the potential at fixed density of the medium is insensitive to the degree of anisotropy.

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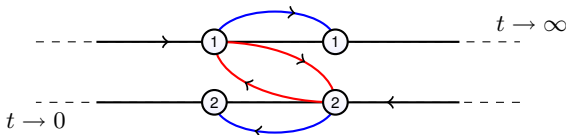
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# REAL-TIME STATIC POTENTIAL

*Definition of the static  $q\bar{q}$ -potential for thermal media and properties in thermal equilibrium*

## Schwinger-Keldysh Formalism



The real-time path integral is built along the *Schwinger-Keldysh time contour* consisting of a Euclidean patch of length  $\beta$ , as well as a real-time patch  $\mathcal{C}$  running forward and returning in time.

A location on  $\mathcal{C}$  is specified by a time  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and an index  $i \in 1, 2$ . The correlator of two operators  $\hat{\phi}, \hat{\psi}$  takes a matrix form:

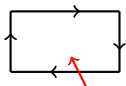
### Real-Time Correlators

$$i\mathbf{G} = i \begin{pmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} \\ G_{21} & G_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle \mathcal{T} \hat{\psi}(t') \hat{\phi}(t) \rangle & -\langle \hat{\phi}(t) \hat{\psi}(t') \rangle \\ \langle \hat{\psi}(t') \hat{\phi}(t) \rangle & \langle \tilde{\mathcal{T}} \hat{\psi}(t') \hat{\phi}(t) \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

Retarded, advanced and symmetric correlators are defined via:

$$\mathbf{R}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & G_A \\ G_R & G_S \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{R} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Real Time Static Potential



$$[i\partial_t - V(t, r)] C_{21}(t, r) = 0$$

**Static Potential** (Laine, Philipsen, Romatschke, Tassler, JHEP 0703 (2007) 054)

The static  $q\bar{q}$ -potential in a thermal medium is obtained from a Schrödinger equation for the  $q\bar{q}$ -correlator  $C_{21}$  in the large time and static mass limit :

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V(t, \mathbf{r})$$

The quarkonium resonance is subsequently estimated by solving the Schrödinger equation for physical quark masses:

$$\left( i\partial_t - \left[ -\frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{r}}}{M} + V(\mathbf{r}) + 2M \right] \right) C_{21} = 0, \quad \text{BC: } C_{21}(t=0) \sim \delta(\mathbf{r})$$

**Some recent uses:** A. Dumitru, Y. Guo and M. Strickland, "The imaginary part of the static gluon propagator in an anisotropic (viscous) QCD plasma," arXiv:0903.4703 [hep-ph]; N. Brambilla, J. Ghiglieri, A. Vairo and P. Petreczky, "Static quark-antiquark pairs at finite temperature," Phys. Rev. D **78** (2008); A. Beraudo, J. P. Blaizot and C. Ratti, "Real and imaginary-time  $Q\bar{Q}$  correlators in a thermal medium," Nucl. Phys. A **806** (2008); M. A. Escobedo and J. Soto, "Non-relativistic bound states at finite temperature (I): the hydrogen atom," arXiv:0804.069; Y. Burnier, M. Laine and M. Vepsäläinen, "Heavy quarkonium in any channel in resummed hot QCD," JHEP **0801** (2008)

## Expansion of the Wilson Loop

$$\frac{1}{N} \text{Tr} \left[ \text{Diagram 1} \right] = 1 + \text{Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3} + \text{Diagram 4} + \dots$$

Diagrams contributing to the Wilson-Loop

## The Real-Time static potential to $\mathcal{O}(g^2)$

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = g^2 C_F \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} (1 - \cos \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}) \tilde{G}_{11}^{00}(\omega = 0, \mathbf{k})$$

Here  $\tilde{G}_{11}^{00}$  is the longitudinal component of the time ordered gluon propagator which can be decomposed as:  $\tilde{G}_{11} = \text{Re} \tilde{G}_R + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{G}_S$ .

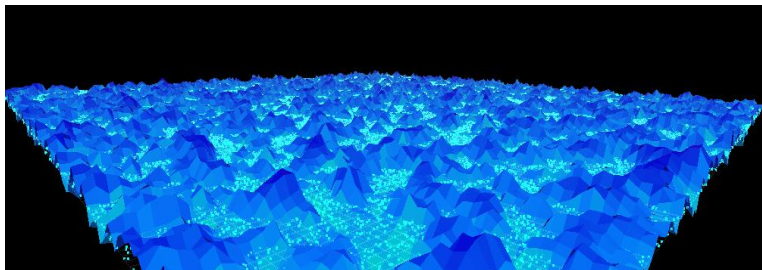
In the special case of **thermal equilibrium** the potential takes the form:

$$V(r) = \underbrace{-\frac{g^2 C_F}{4\pi} \left[ m_D + \frac{\exp(-m_D r)}{r} \right]}_{\text{Re(V): Retarded contribution}} \underbrace{-i \frac{g^2 T C_F}{2\pi} \phi(m_D r)}_{\text{Im(V): Symmetric contribution}}$$

$$\text{where } \phi(x) = 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dz z}{(z^2 + 1)^2} \left[ 1 - \frac{\sin(zx)}{zx} \right].$$

**Note:** The potential has an imaginary part originating from Landau damping. The real part is the usual Debye screened potential.

## Imaginary Part from Classical Simulations



Magnetic energy density in classical Yang-Mills theory with quasiparticles.

### *Classical Approximation of Thermal Field Theories*

Bare symmetric propagator  $G_S$  for a bosonic field with coupling  $g^2 \sim \hbar$ :

$$G_S \sim n_B(\omega) + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{T}{\hbar\omega} + \frac{1}{12} \frac{\hbar\omega}{T} + \dots$$

The classical limit  $\hbar \rightarrow 0$  resums the IR contributions of all diagrams with a maximal number of symmetric insertions. They capture the long range physics of a plasma at large  $T$ .

**Measurement:** The existence of an imaginary part of the potential is confirmed and a significant non-perturbative IR enhancement is observed.

## Physical signatures

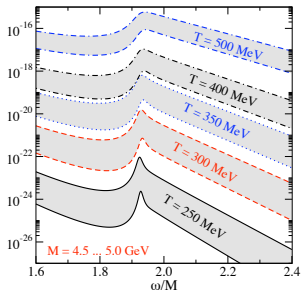
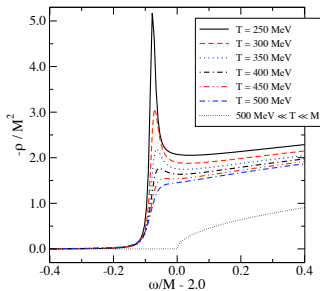
Quarkonium signatures from the finite mass Schrödinger equation:

Spectral function Laine et al., JHEP0801:043

- The spectral function is depicted for Bottomonium.
- The imaginary part induces a finite width to the resonance peak (melting of the resonance).

Potential Laine, JHEP 0705:028

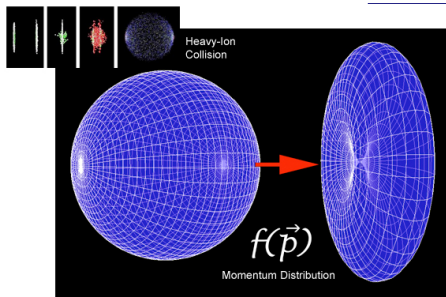
- The Dilepton rate is shown for Charmonium and Bottomonium.
- A softening of the resonance is seen for increased temperature.





# ANISOTROPIC MEDIA

*The static  $q\bar{q}$ -potential in a plasma with anisotropic momentum distribution*



In the following the potential will be discussed for an anisotropic plasma characterized by the **static** momentum distribution:

$$f(\vec{p}) = n_B(p \sqrt{1 + \xi(\vec{v}_p \cdot \vec{n})^2})$$

$n_B$ : Thermal Bose Distribution,  $\xi$ : Anisotropy,  $\vec{n}$ : Collision axis

**Normalization:** We don't know the relation between the particle density and the parameters  $\{\xi, \beta\}$ . Instead we keep the density fixed.

**Observation:** *Any change of the potential is a density effect !*

See also the following talk by A.Mocsy and: A. Dumitru, Y. Guo and M. Strickland, "The imaginary part of the static gluon propagator in an anisotropic QCD plasma," Phys. Rev. D **79**; Y. Burnier, M. Laine and M. Vepsäläinen, "Quarkonium dissociation in the presence of a small momentum space anisotropy," JHEP **1001**, 054.

## Normalization

The medium is diluted once  $\xi$  is increased if  $f(\vec{p})$  is not normalized. The physical relation between  $\xi$  and the particle density in heavy ion collisions is very hard to obtain from first principles.

### *How to keep the particle density fixed ?*

The simplest approach is to multiply the momentum distribution function  $f(T, \xi)$  by a normalization prefactor  $N(\xi)$ . Another approach is to rescale the temperature  $T \rightarrow T(\xi)$ .

#### ■ **Multiplicative Normalization**

To keep the particle density of the medium fixed the distribution function  $f(\vec{p})$  is multiplied by the prefactor

$$N(\xi) = \sqrt{1 + \xi}.$$

#### ■ **Landau matching**

This matching procedure is often used in the context of hydrodynamic simulations. The particle density is kept fixed by rescaling  $T$ :

$$T(\xi) = T R^{-\frac{1}{4}}(\xi) \quad \text{where} \quad R(\xi) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{1 + \xi} + \frac{\arctan(\sqrt{\xi})}{\sqrt{\xi}} \right).$$

The results from both schemes are consistent for  $\xi \ll 1$ .

## How to obtain the gluon propagator $\tilde{G}_{11}^{00}(\omega = 0)$ ?

The longitudinal part of  $\tilde{G}_{11} = Re \tilde{G}_R + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{G}_S$  in the static limit is needed.  $\tilde{G}_R$  is known and  $\tilde{G}_S$  is obtained from a Schwinger-Dyson relation.

### ■ **Retarded gluon propagator in covariant gauge** Dumitru et al., Romatschke

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_R^{\mu\nu}(K) = & \Delta_G \left[ (K^2 - \alpha - \gamma) \frac{\omega^4}{K^4} B^{\mu\nu} + (\omega^2 - \beta) C^{\mu\nu} + \delta \frac{\omega^2}{K^2} D^{\mu\nu} \right] \\ & + \Delta_A [A^{\mu\nu} - C^{\mu\nu}] - \frac{\lambda}{K^4} K^\mu K^\nu \end{aligned}$$

with structure functions  $\alpha(K) - \delta(K)$  and

$$\Delta_G^{-1} = (K^2 - \alpha - \gamma)(\omega^2 - \beta) - \delta^2[\mathbf{k}^2 - (n \cdot K)^2] \text{ and } \Delta_A^{-1} = K^2 - \alpha.$$

$A(K) - D(K)$  form a *tensor basis* for this system where Lorentz symmetry is broken by the plasma rest frame and the anisotropy vector.

### ■ **Schwinger-Dyson Relation** Arnold, Moore, Yaffe

The needed Schwinger-Dyson relation [ $\Pi_S$ : symmetric self-energy] is:

$$\tilde{G}_S = \tilde{G}_R \cdot \Pi_S \cdot \tilde{G}_R^*.$$

### ■ **Retarded Propagator**

It is straightforward to obtain the retarded propagator in the static limit:

$$\tilde{G}_R^{00}(\omega = 0, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{k^2 + m_\alpha^2 + m_\gamma^2}{(k^2 + m_\alpha^2 + m_\gamma^2)(k^2 + m_\beta^2) - m_\delta^4}$$

Effective masses [ $\theta_k = \angle(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{k})$ ]:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{m}_\alpha^2 &= -m_D^2 \frac{\xi}{3} \cos^2 \theta_k & \hat{m}_\beta^2 &= 1 + \xi (\cos^2 \theta_k - \frac{1}{6}) \\ \hat{m}_\gamma^2 &= \frac{\xi}{3} \sin^2 \theta_k, & \hat{m}_\delta^2 &= -\xi \frac{\pi}{4} \sin \theta_k \cos \theta_k\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\hat{m}_x = m_x / m_D$  where  $m_D$  is the isotropic Debye mass.

### ■ **Schwinger-Dyson Relation**

The calculation of the symmetric propagator is much more difficult. It can be shown however that only one contraction of  $\tilde{\mathbf{G}}_R$  and  $\mathbf{\Pi}_S$  is relevant:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{G}}_S^{00} = \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_R^{00} \cdot \mathbf{\Pi}_S^{00} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_R^{00*}$$

## Symmetric Propagator

The symmetric self energy has the following form in the static limit:

$$i\Pi_S^{\mu\nu} = 8\pi g^2 N \frac{1}{k} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} v_p^\mu v_p^\nu f(\mathbf{p})(1 + f(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k}))\delta(\mathbf{v}_p \cdot \mathbf{v}_k),$$

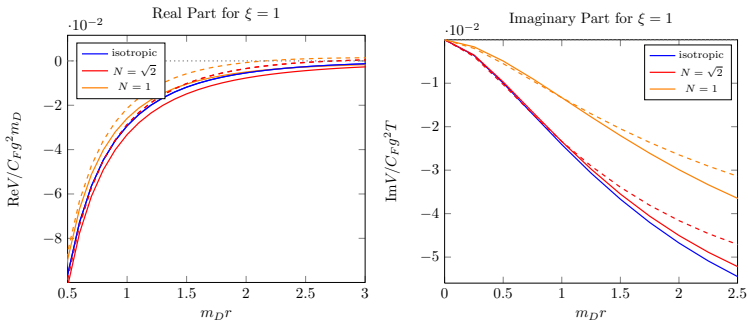
where  $\mathbf{v}_p = \mathbf{p}/p$ . Using the static limit of the retarded propagator and the Schwinger-Dyson relation the symmetric propagator is obtained.

### *Symmetric Propagator in the static limit*

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}_S^{00} = & -i \frac{2\pi}{k(k^2 + m_D^2)^2} \frac{m_D^2}{\beta} \left( 1 + \xi \left[ \frac{\pi^2 - 3\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} - \frac{3}{4} \sin^2 \theta_k \right] \right) \\ & + i\xi 4\pi \frac{m_D^4}{\beta} \frac{1}{k(k^2 + m_D^2)^3} (\cos^2 \theta_k - \frac{1}{6}) \end{aligned}$$

Having obtained all needed parts of the gluon propagator the  $q\bar{q}$ -potential can finally be calculated. *The symmetric propagator contributes the imaginary part of the potential again.*

## Results for $\xi = 1$



### ■ **No Normalization**

This case implies a specific relation between the particle density and the anisotropy. The medium is diluted quickly with increased anisotropy and the (perturbative) vacuum potential is approached.

### ■ **Fixed particle density**

The change in the potential is very small compared to the isotropic result. The change observed in the upper case is a density effect.

### ■ ***Thermal Potential***

The static  $q\bar{q}$ -potential in a thermal medium and the ensuing quarkonium resonance in equilibrium were discussed.

### ■ ***Quarkonium in an Anisotropic Plasma***

The static potential was calculated for an anisotropic plasma using a non-equilibrium Schwinger-Dyson relation.

### ■ ***Role of Particle Density and Anisotropy***

The  $q\bar{q}$ -potential is sensitive to the density of the medium. The anisotropy of the medium does not play a role as long as the density is kept fixed.

***Thanks for your attention !***