

# Finite Temperature QCD with Twisted Mass Fermions

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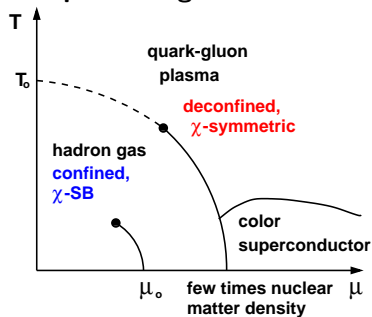
- Heavy Ion Experiments: **RHIC** (future **LHC** and **FAIR**)
- Study matter under extreme conditions: near Big Bang, Cores of neutron stars
- For interpretation of experimental data: theoretical understanding of QCD at high temperatures and densities
- Lattice: Phase transition/crossover free quarks and gluons (Deconfinement)

## Quark-Gluon-Plasma

- Determine on lattice:
  - Critical temperature ( $T_c$ )
  - Equation of State (EoS) ( $\epsilon(T)$ ,  $p(T)$ )

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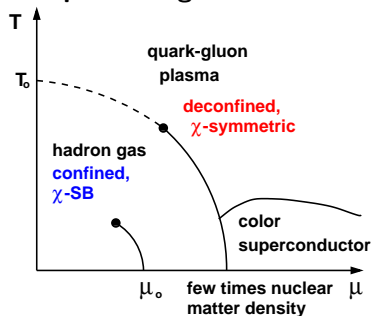


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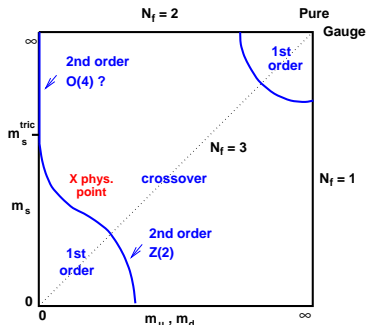
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$$\begin{aligned}T &\equiv \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{1}{N_\tau a}, \\ N_\tau &< N_\sigma\end{aligned}$$

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→ **Wilson fermions:**

- Clover-improved Wilson fermions
- Twisted mass fermions ( $\mathcal{O}(a)$  improvement)

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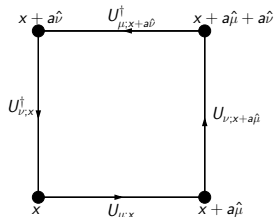
naive discretization  $\rightarrow$  unphysical "doublers" in spectrum

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^4x \bar{\psi}(m + i\gamma_\mu D^\mu)\psi &\rightarrow a^4 \sum_{x,y} (m\bar{\psi}_x \delta_{x,y} \psi_y + \bar{\psi}_x D_{x,y}^W \psi_y) \\ &= a^4 \left( \sum_x (m + 4r/a) \bar{\psi}_x \psi_x - \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{2a} \sum_{x,\mu} (\bar{\psi}_x (r - \gamma_\mu) U_{\mu;x} \psi_{x+a\hat{\mu}} + \bar{\psi}_{x+a\hat{\mu}} (r + \gamma_\mu) U_{\mu;x}^\dagger \psi_x) \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Gauge part:

$$\int d^4x \left( -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} \right) \rightarrow S_P = \beta \sum_P \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{N} \text{Re Tr}(U_P) \right]$$

$\rightarrow$  bare parameters:  $\beta, \kappa \equiv \frac{1}{2(4r+m)}$



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**maximal twist** ( $\omega = \frac{\pi}{2}$ ):  $m_{\text{R}} = Z_m(m - m_{\text{cr}}) = 0$

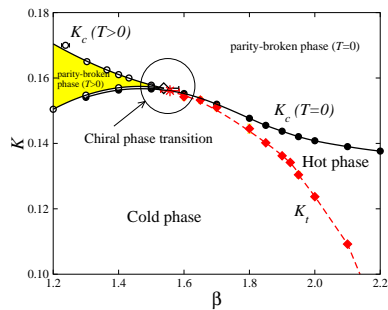
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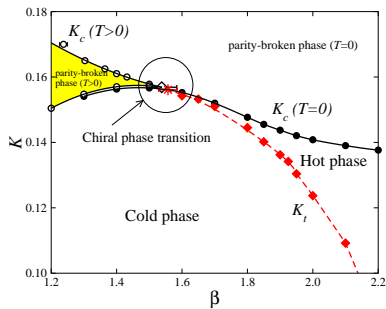


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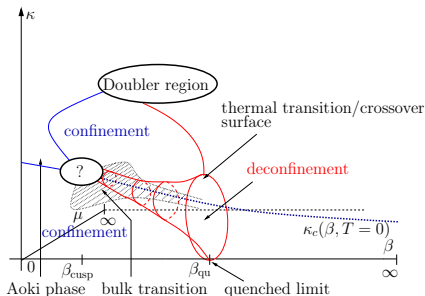
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# Finite $T$ QCD transition

How detect transitions?

Deconfinement transition:

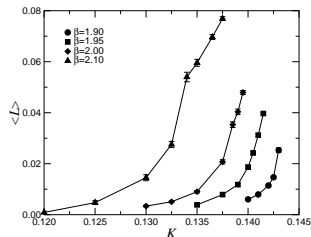
Order Parameter ( $m_q = \infty$ ):

$$\text{Polyakov loop } L(\mathbf{x}) = \langle \text{Tr} \prod_{n_4}^{\text{per. BC}} U_4(\mathbf{x}, n_4) \rangle$$

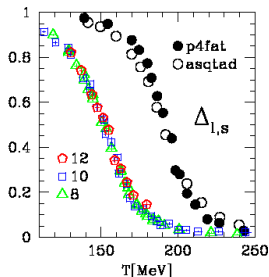
Chiral transition:

Order parameter ( $m_q \rightarrow 0$ ):

$$\text{Chiral condensate } \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle$$



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- Implementation on lattice:

$$\nabla_4 \psi_x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2a} \left( U_{4;x} e^{a\mu} \psi_{x+\hat{4}a} - U_{4;x-\hat{4}a}^\dagger e^{-a\mu} \psi_{x-\hat{4}a} \right)$$

- "Sign problem" of fermionic determinant:

$$\det D \not\geq 0$$

- E.g. circumvent by reweighting and Taylor expansion:

$$\langle O \rangle_\mu = \langle OR(\mu) \rangle_0 / \langle R(\mu) \rangle_0, \quad R(\mu) = \det M(\mu) / \det M(0)$$

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**Thank you**

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## Appendix

# Equation of State $\epsilon(T)$ , $p(T)$

Pressure (large homogeneous systems):

$$p(T) = \frac{T}{V} \ln Z$$

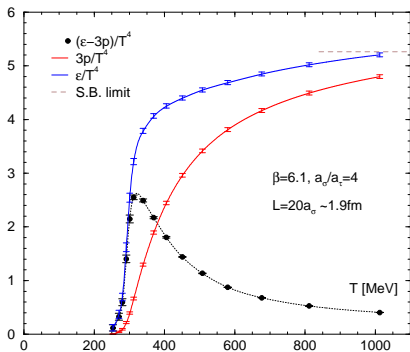
Energy density:

$$\epsilon(T) = \frac{T^2}{V} \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial T} \Big|_V$$

but:  $V \propto a^3$ ,  $T \propto \frac{1}{a}$  and  $a \equiv a(\beta, \dots)$

→ Consider interaction measure:

$$I = \epsilon - 3p = -\frac{T}{V} \frac{d \ln Z}{d \ln a} \underbrace{=}_{\text{pure gauge}} \langle S_P \rangle \frac{d \ln g^2}{d \ln a}$$



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