# Yang-Mills Propagators in Landau Gauge at Non-Vanishing Temperature

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## Motivation

ultimate goal: computation of physical observables from microscopic dynamics



experiment:

- thermodynamic potential,
- pressure,
- entropy,
- screening masses, etc.

study QCD phase diagram fully non-perturbatively:

functional renormalisation group

applicable for all temperatures

## Outline

- Motivation
- Yang-Mills Flow Equation
- Thermal Flow Equation
- Propagators at Non-Vanishing Temperature
- Summary



taken from: Fischer, Maas, Pawlowski, Annals Phys. 324 (2009).

# Yang-Mills Theory - Basics

 $\begin{array}{llllllll} \mbox{Yang-Mills action:} & S_{YM} = \int d^4x \left( -\frac{1}{4} F^a_{\mu\nu} F^a_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2\xi} (\partial_\mu A^a_\mu)^2 + \bar{c}^a \partial_\mu D^{ab}_\mu c^b \right) \\ & \searrow & \swarrow & \swarrow & \swarrow & \cr \mbox{Landau gauge:} \ \xi \to 0 \\ & & & \cr \mbox{covariant derivative:} & D^a_{\mu\nu} = \delta^{ab} \partial_\mu + g f^{abc} A^c_\mu \\ & & & \cr & & \cr \mbox{field-strength tensor:} & F^a_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A^a_\nu - \partial_\nu A^a_\mu - g f^{abc} A^b_\mu A^c_\nu \end{array}$ 

effective action  $\ \Gamma[A, ar{c}, c]$ 

$$Z[J,\eta,\bar{\eta}] \equiv e^{W[J,\eta,\bar{\eta}]} = \int \mathcal{D}A\mathcal{D}\bar{c}\mathcal{D}c \ e^{-S[A,\bar{c},c] + \int (J\cdot A + \bar{\eta}\cdot c - \bar{c}\cdot\eta)}$$

$$\Gamma[A,\bar{c},c] = \sup_{J,\eta,\bar{\eta}} \left( \int (J \cdot A + \bar{\eta} \cdot c - \bar{c} \cdot \eta) - W[J,\eta,\bar{\eta}] \right)$$

### Flow Equation (for Yang-Mills Theory)

Wetterich, Phys. Lett. B301 (1993) 90-94.

$$\partial_t \Gamma_k[A, \bar{c}, c] = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \left\{ \frac{1}{\Gamma^{(2)}[A, \bar{c}, c] + R_k} \quad \partial_t R_k \right\} - \partial_t C_k$$

### Flow Equation (for Yang-Mills Theory)



## Yang-Mills Propagators

obtained from generating flow equation via functional derivation wrt the in-/out-going fields



# Yang-Mills Propagators (truncated)

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# Yang-Mills Propagators - Parametrisation

#### zero temperature:

ghost propagato

gluon propagator  $D_{gl}^{aa}$ 

or 
$$D^{ab}_{\mathrm{gh}}(p) = - \frac{G(p)}{p^2} \delta^{ab}$$

$$^{b}_{l,\mu\nu}(p^2) = \Pi_{\mu\nu} \frac{Z(p^2)}{p^2} \delta^{ab}$$

,  $\Pi_{\mu\nu}$  ... transversal 4d-projector

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gluon propagator  $D^{ab}_{\text{gl},\mu\nu}(p^2) = \prod_{\mu\nu} \frac{Z(p^2)}{p^2} \delta^{ab}$ ,  $\Pi_{\mu\nu} \dots$  transversal 4d-projector

finite temperature (Matsubara formalism):  $p_0 = 2\pi T n_p$ ,  $n_p \dots$  Matsubara modes

ghost propagator 
$$D_{\rm gh}^{ab}(p_0^2, \vec{p}^{\,2}) = -\delta^{ab} \frac{G(p_0^2, \vec{p}^{\,2})}{p_0^2 + \vec{p}^{\,2}}$$



at non-vanishing temperature: quantum and thermal fluctuations

idea:

- (I) calculate quantum fluctuations at zero temperature
- (2) project onto thermal fluctuations and add to (1)

thermal flow:

$$\bar{\Gamma}_{k,T}[A,\bar{c},c] = \Gamma_{k,T} - \Gamma_{k,T=0}$$

Litim, Pawlowski, arXiv: hep-th/9901063. Litim, Pawlowski, JHEP 11 (2006) 026.

advantages:

- $T \rightarrow 0$  limit trivially satisfied
- truncations for (1) and (2) may differ

technique

make a guess for the finite temperature result and iterate around it:

- does not change the final result
- numerical stability in iteration procedure as one starts "closer to physics"

$$\Gamma_{k,T}^{(2)} = \Gamma_{k,0}^{(2)} + \underbrace{\left(\Gamma_{k,T}^{(2)} - \Gamma_{k,0}^{(2)}\right)}_{k,T,T,trial} + \underbrace{\left(\Gamma_{k,T,trial}^{(2)} - \Gamma_{k,T,trial}^{(2)}\right)}_{k,T,T,trial}$$

thermal contribution

0

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 $\rightarrow$ ,,re-ordering"

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#### Electric Gluon-Propagator

(after 0th iteration)



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Magnetic Gluon-Propagator (after 0th iteration)



#### Electric Gluon-Propagator



#### Electric Gluon-Propagator



#### Lattice Results



# Summary / Outlook

*motivation*: Yang-Mills propagators at non-vanishing temperature

*idea*: introduce thermal flow equation and add to zero temperature part



### Dyson-Schwinger Approx. for the Ghost-Eq.



#### Vertices



#### Full Method

$$\Gamma_{k,T}^{(2)} = \Gamma_{k,T=0}^{(2)} + \underbrace{\left[\Gamma_{\Lambda,T}^{(2)} - \Gamma_{\Lambda,0}^{(2)}\right]}_{\stackrel{T}{\underset{\approx}{\to} 0}{\underbrace{=}} + \int \frac{dk}{k} \hat{\Delta} \dot{\Gamma}_{k,T}^{(2)} \left[\Gamma_{k,T=0}^{(2)}\right] + \int \frac{dk}{k} \Delta \dot{\Gamma}_{k,T}^{(2)} \left[\Gamma_{k,T}^{(2)}, \Gamma_{k,T=0}^{(2)}\right]$$

$$\hat{\Delta}\dot{\Gamma}_{k,T}^{(2)} = T\sum_{n} \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \dot{\Gamma}_{k,0}^{(2)} - \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \dot{\Gamma}_{k,0}^{(2)}$$

$$\Delta \dot{\Gamma}_{k,T}^{(2)} = T \sum_{n} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left( \dot{\Gamma}_{k,T}^{(2)} - \dot{\Gamma}_{k,T=0}^{(2)} \right)$$