

Spectral densities from the lattice

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Landau gauge @ $T=0$

$$D_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(\hat{q}) = \delta^{ab} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{q^2} \right) D(q^2),$$

Lattice computation of the gluon propagator:

- Large volume: access to the deep IR region, infinite volume limit
 - SU(2): $L a = 27$ fm, $a = 0.22$ fm
 - SU(3): $L a = 17$ fm, $a = 0.18$ fm
- Small lattice spacing:
 - large a also changes the propagator

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O. Oliveira, P. J. S., Phys. Rev. D86, 114513 (2012)

Positivity violation

Spectral representation

$$D(p^2) = \int_0^{+\infty} d\mu \frac{\rho(\mu)}{p^2 + \mu^2}$$

On the lattice: study the temporal correlator

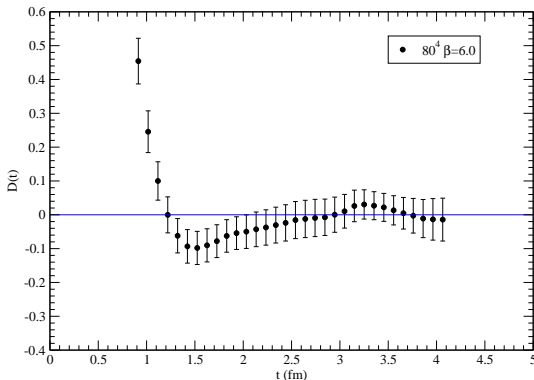
$$C(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dp}{2\pi} D(p^2) \exp(-ipt) = \int_0^{\infty} d\omega \rho(\omega^2) e^{-\omega t}$$

$C(t) < 0$

- negative spectral density
- positivity violation
- gluon confinement

$C(t) > 0$ says nothing about $\rho(\mu)$

Positivity violation for the gluon propagator



Already observed in lattice simulations

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Spectral density

- Euclidean momentum-space propagator of a (scalar) physical degree of freedom

$$\mathcal{G}(p^2) \equiv \langle \mathcal{O}(p) \mathcal{O}(-p) \rangle$$

- Källén-Lehmann spectral representation

$$\mathcal{G}(p^2) = \int_0^\infty d\mu \frac{\rho(\mu)}{p^2 + \mu}, \quad \text{with } \rho(\mu) \geq 0 \text{ for } \mu \geq 0.$$

- spectral density contains information on the masses of physical states described by the operator \mathcal{O}

$$\rho(\mu) = \sum_{\ell} \delta(\mu - m_{\ell}^2) |\langle 0 | \mathcal{O} | \ell_0 \rangle|^2,$$

Spectral density

- $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{L}^2 \hat{\rho} = \mathcal{L} \mathcal{L}^* \hat{\rho}$ where $(\mathcal{L}f)(t) \equiv \int_0^\infty ds e^{-st} f(s)$ is a Laplace transform
- inversion of Laplace transform: ill-posed problem
- Way out: Tikhonov regularization
 - ill-posed problem $y = \mathcal{K}x$
 - minimize $\|\mathcal{K}x - y\| + \lambda \|x\|^2$
 - $\lambda > 0$ is a regularization parameter
 - x^λ is the unique solution of the normal equation

$$\mathcal{K}^* \mathcal{K} x^\lambda + \lambda x^\lambda = \mathcal{K}^* y$$

the operator $\mathcal{K}^* \mathcal{K} + \lambda$ is strictly positive, hence invertible

- Morozov discrepancy principle: choose $\bar{\lambda}$ s.t. $\|\mathcal{K}x^{\bar{\lambda}} - y^\delta\| = \delta$
 - δ : “noise of input data”
 - A unique solution $x^{\bar{\lambda}, \delta}$ exists

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Getting gluon spectral density

$$\mathcal{L}^2 \rho = D$$

$$\mathcal{L}^4 \rho + \lambda \rho = \mathcal{L}^2 D$$

$$\int_0^\infty dt \rho(t) \frac{\ln \frac{z}{t}}{z-t} + \lambda \rho(z) = \int_0^\infty dt \frac{D(t)}{t+z}$$

- consider 1-loop perturbative behaviour after $\rho_{max}^{(latt)}$
- integrals computed using Gauss-Legendre quadrature
- discretization leads to a linear system
- IR and UV cut-offs
- lattice data (80^4 , $\beta = 6.0$) interpolated using splines

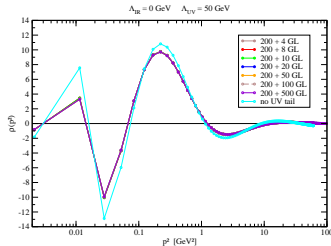
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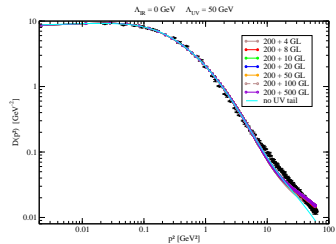
Results (preliminary)

Changing number of GL points

Spectral density



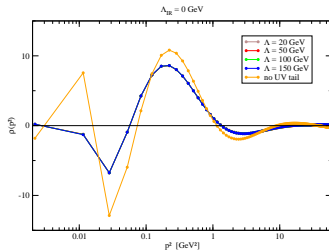
Reconstructed propagator



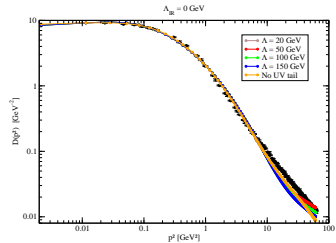
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Changing UV cutoff

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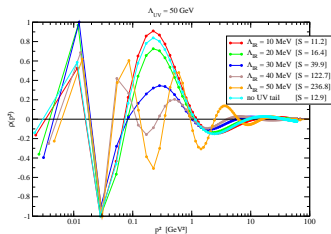
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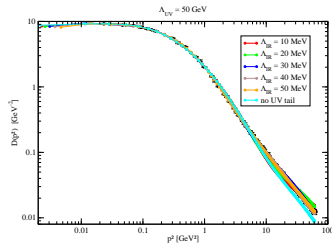
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Getting hotter

- Gluon propagator at finite T splitted into two components
 - transverse D_T
 - longitudinal D_L

$$D_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(\hat{q}) = \delta^{ab} \left(P_{\mu\nu}^T D_T(q_4^2, \vec{q}) + P_{\mu\nu}^L D_L(q_4^2, \vec{q}) \right)$$

- Finite temperature on the lattice: $L_t \ll L_s$

$$T = \frac{1}{aL_t}$$

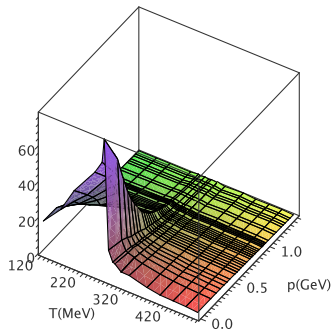
- Simulations: use of Chroma and PFFT libraries
- keep a constant (spatial) physical volume $\sim (6.5\text{fm})^3$
- all data renormalized at $\mu = 4\text{GeV}$

Lattice setup finite T

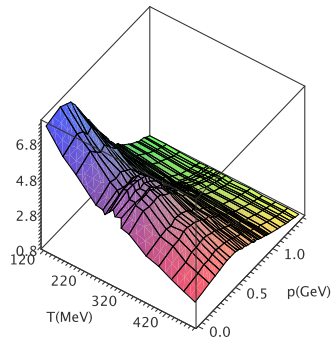
Temp. (MeV)	β	L_s	L_t	a [fm]	1/a (GeV)
121	6.0000	64	16	0.1016	1.943
162	6.0000	64	12	0.1016	1.943
194	6.0000	64	10	0.1016	1.943
243	6.0000	64	8	0.1016	1.943
260	6.0347	68	8	0.09502	2.0767
265	5.8876	52	6	0.1243	1.5881
275	6.0684	72	8	0.08974	2.1989
285	5.9266	56	6	0.1154	1.7103
290	6.1009	76	8	0.08502	2.3211
305	5.9640	60	6	0.1077	1.8324
305	6.1326	80	8	0.08077	2.4432
324	6.0000	64	6	0.1016	1.943
366	6.0684	72	6	0.08974	2.1989
397	5.8876	52	4	0.1243	1.5881
428	5.9266	56	4	0.1154	1.7103
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Surface plots

Longitudinal component



Transverse component

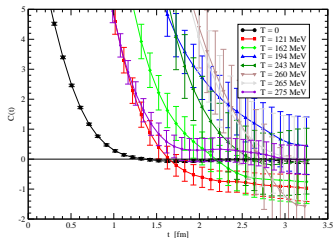


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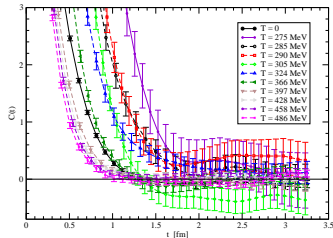
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Positivity violation finite T - longitudinal component

Below T_C

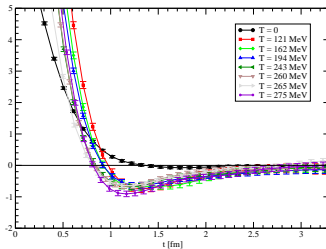


Above T_C

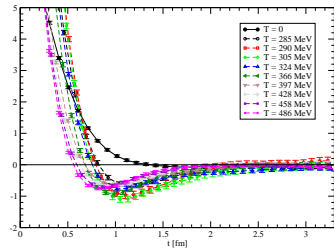


Positivity violation finite T - transverse component

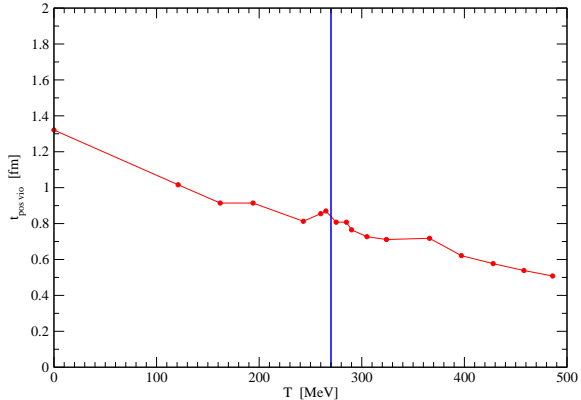
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Above T_c



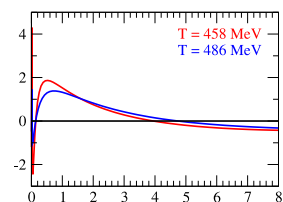
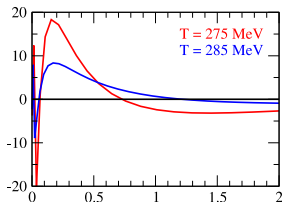
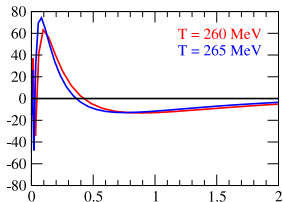
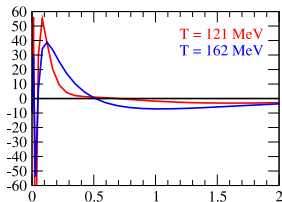
Positivity violation scale – transverse component



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Longitudinal propagator spectral densities



Conclusions and outlook

- Gluon unphysical for all T up to 500 MeV
- Access to the spectral density
 - Preliminary results
- Positivity violation scale increases with temperature
 - Gluons behave as quasi-particles for high T ?

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