Recent results on QCD thermodynamics:

Lattice QCD

versus

Hadron Resonance Gas model

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Choice of the action

no consensus: which action offers the most cost effective approach Aoki, Fodor, Katz, Szabo, JHEP 0601, 089 (2006)

• our choice tree-level $O(a^2)$ -improved Symanzik gauge action



2-level (stout) smeared improved staggered fermions

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{P} \left[\longrightarrow + \rho \left(\begin{array}{c} & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ \end{array} \right)^{+} \left(\begin{array}{c} & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ \end{array} \right)^{+} \left(\begin{array}{c} & & \\ \end{array} \right)$$

best known way to improve on taste symmetry violation

Pseudo-scalar mesons in staggered formulation

- Staggered formulation: four degenerate quark flavors ('tastes') in the continuum limit
- Rooting procedure: replace fermion determinant in the partition function by its fourth root
- At finite lattice spacing the four tastes are not degenerate
 - each pion is split into 16
 - the sixteen pseudo-scalar mesons have unequal masses
 - only one of them has vanishing mass in the chiral limit



Partition function of HRG model

The pressure can be written as

$$p^{HRG}/T^{4} = \frac{1}{VT^{3}} \sum_{i \in mesons} \ln \mathcal{Z}_{m_{i}}^{M}(T, V, \mu_{X^{a}}) + \frac{1}{VT^{3}} \sum_{i \in baryons} \ln \mathcal{Z}_{m_{i}}^{B}(T, V, \mu_{X^{a}}),$$

where

$$\ln \mathcal{Z}_{m_i}^{M/B} = \mp \frac{V d_i}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dk k^2 \ln(1 \mp z_i e^{-\varepsilon_i/T}) \quad ,$$

with energies $\varepsilon_i = \sqrt{k^2 + m_i^2}$, degeneracy factors d_i and fugacities

$$z_i = \exp\left(\left(\sum_a X_i^a \mu_{X^a}\right)/T\right)$$
.

 X^a : all possible conserved charges, including the baryon number B, electric charge Q, strangeness S.

F. Karsch, A. Tawfik, K. Redlich; S. Ejiri, F. Karsch, K. Redlich

Hadronic species from the Particle Data Book

hadron	m_{i} (GeV)	d_i	B_i	S_i	I_i	hadron	m_{i} (GeV)	d_i	B_i	S_i	I_i
π	0.140	3	0	0	1	N (1535)	1.530	4	1	0	1/2
K	0.496	2	0	1	1/2	π_1 (1600)	1.596	9	0	0	1
\overline{K}	0.496	2	0	-1	1/2	Δ (1600)	1.600	16	1	0	3/2
η	0.543	1	0	0	0	Λ (1600)	1.600	2	1	-1	0
ho	0.776	9	0	0	1	Δ (1620)	1.630	8	1	0	3/2
ω	0.782	3	0	0	0	η_2 (1645)	1.617	5	0	0	0
K^*	0.892	6	0	1	1/2	N (1650)	1.655	4	1	0	1/2
\overline{K}^*	0.892	6	0	-1	1/2	ω (1650)	1.670	3	0	0	0
N	0.939	4	1	0	1/2	Σ (1660)	1.660	6	1	-1	1
η $^{\prime}$	0.958	1	0	0	0	Λ (1670)	1.670	2	1	-1	0
f_0	0.980	1	0	0	0	Σ (1670)	1.670	2	1	-1	1
a_0	0.980	3	0	0	1	ω_3 (1670)	1.667	7	0	0	0
ϕ	1.020	3	0	0	0	π_2 (1670)	1.672	15	0	0	1
Λ	1.116	2	1	-1	0	Ω^{-}	1.672	4	1	-3	0
h_1	1.170	3	0	0	1	N (1675)	1.675	12	1	0	1/2
Σ	1.189	6	1	-1	1	ϕ (1680)	1.680	3	0	0	0
a_1	1.230	9	0	0	1	$K^{m{*}}$ (1680)	1.717	6	0	1	1/2
b_1	1.230	9	0	0	1	\overline{K}^{*} (1680)	1.717	6	0	-1	1/2
Δ	1.232	16	1	0	3/2	N (1680)	1.685	12	1	0	1/2
f_2	1.270	5	0	0	0	$ ho_{3}$ (1690)	1.688	21	0	0	1
K_1	1.273	6	0	1	1/2	Λ (1690)	1.690	4	1	-1	0
\overline{K}_1	1.273	6	0	-1	1/2	三 (1690)	1.690	8	1	-2	1/2
f_1	1.285	3	0	0	1	ho (1700)	1.720	9	0	0	1
η (1295)	1.295	1	0	0	0	N (1700)	1.700	8	1	0	1/2
π (1300)	1.300	3	0	0	1	$\Delta(1700)$	1.700	16	1	0	3/2

How many resonances do we include?

With different mass cutoffs we can separate the contributions of different particles



No visible difference between cuts at 2 GeV and 2.5 GeV in our temperature regime

lacksim We include all resonances with $M \leq$ 2.5 GeV

 $ightarrow \simeq 170$ different masses \leftrightarrow 1500 resonances

Discretization effects



C. W. Bernard et al., PRD (2001), C. Aubin et al., PRD (2004), A. Bazavov et al., 0903.3598.

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Hadron masses

Non-strange baryons and mesons:

$$r_1m = r_1m_0 + \frac{a_1(r_1m_\pi)^2}{1+a_2x} + \frac{b_1x}{1+b_2x}, \qquad x = (\frac{a}{r_1})^2$$

Strange baryons and mesons:

$$\begin{aligned} r_{1} \cdot m_{\Lambda}(a, m_{\pi}) &= r_{1} m_{\Lambda}^{phys} + \frac{2}{3} \frac{a_{1}(r_{1}m_{\pi})^{2}}{1 + a_{2}x} + \frac{b_{1}x}{1 + b_{2}x} + \frac{r_{1} \cdot (m_{\Lambda}^{phys} - m_{p}^{phys})}{1 + a_{2}x} \left(\frac{m_{s}}{m_{s}^{phys}}\right), \\ r_{1} \cdot m_{\Sigma}(a, m_{\pi}) &= r_{1} m_{\Sigma}^{phys} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{a_{1}(r_{1}m_{\pi})^{2}}{1 + a_{2}x} + \frac{b_{1}x}{1 + b_{2}x} + \frac{r_{1} \cdot (m_{\Sigma}^{phys} - m_{p}^{phys})}{1 + a_{2}x} \left(\frac{m_{s}}{m_{s}^{phys}}\right), \\ r_{1} \cdot m_{\Xi}(a, m_{\pi}) &= m_{\Xi}^{phys} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{a_{1}(r_{1}m_{\pi})^{2}}{1 + a_{2}x} + \frac{b_{1}x}{1 + b_{2}x} + \frac{r_{1} \cdot (m_{\Xi}^{phys} - m_{p}^{phys})}{1 + a_{2}x} \left(\frac{m_{s}}{m_{s}^{phys}}\right), \\ r_{1}m_{\Omega}(a, m_{\pi}) &= r_{1}m_{\Omega}^{phys} + a_{1}(r_{1}m_{\pi})^{2} - a_{1}(r_{1}m_{\pi}^{phys})^{2} + b_{1}x + (m_{\Omega}^{phys} - m_{\Delta}^{phys}) \cdot 1.02x \end{aligned}$$

- Distorted spectrum implemented in the HRG model
- Assumption: all resonances behave as their fundamental states
- P. Huovinen and P. Petreczky (2009).

Results: strangeness susceptibilities



HRG results in good agreement with stout action

- asqtad and p4 results show similar shape but shift in temperature
 - HRG results with corresponding distorted spectrum reproduce asqtad and p4 results

S. Borsanyi et al., JHEP1009 (2010)

Results: chiral condensate



- Contribution of pions from Chiral Perturbation Theory Gerber and Leutwyler (1989)
- $\frac{\partial m_i}{\partial m_{\pi}^2}$ from fit to lattice data Camalich, Geng and Vacas (2010)
- S. Borsanyi et al., JHEP1009 (2010)

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Results: subtracted chiral condensate



$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi\rangle_s = \langle \bar{\psi}\psi\rangle_{s,0} + \langle \bar{\psi}\psi\rangle_K + \sum_{i\in mesons} \frac{\partial\ln Z_{m_i}^M}{\partial m_i} \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial m_s} + \sum_{i\in baryons} \frac{\partial\ln Z_{m_i}^B}{\partial m_i} \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial m_s}.$$



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Equation of state: integral method

On the lattice, the dimensionless pressure is given by:

 $p^{lat}(\beta, m_q) = (N_t N_s^3)^{-1} \log Z(\beta, m_q)$

only its derivatives are accessible using conventional algorithms:

$$p^{lat}(\beta, m_q) - p^{lat}(\beta^0, m_q^0) = (N_t N_s^3)^{-1} \int_{(\beta^0, m_q^0)}^{(\beta, m_q)} \left[d\beta \frac{\partial \log Z}{\partial \beta} + dm_q \frac{\partial \log Z}{\partial m_q} \right]$$

• the pressure has to be renormalized: subtraction at T = 0 (or T > 0)

- \bullet $T \neq 0$ simulations cannot go below $T \simeq 100$ MeV (lattice spacing is large)
- physical HRG gives here 5% contribution of SB
 - \blacksquare path of $M_{\pi}=720~{
 m MeV}$
 - \blacksquare distorted HRG no contribution at T = 100 MeV

All path approach

Our goal:

- determine the equation of state for several pion masses
- reduce the uncertainty related to the choice of β^0



conventional path: A, though B, C or any other paths are possible

generalize: take all paths into account

Finite volume and discretization effects



• finite $V: N_s/N_t = 3$ and 6 (8 times larger volume): no sizable difference

- finite a: improvement program of lattice QCD (action observables)
 - \rightarrow tree-level improvement for p (thermodynamic relations fix the others)
 - \blacksquare trace anomaly for three T-s: high T, transition T, low T
 - \rightarrow continuum limit $N_t = 6, 8, 10, 12$: same with or without improvement
- igoplus improvement strongly reduces cutoff effects: slope $\simeq 0$ ($1-2\sigma$ level)

Results: pressure and energy density



• The different N_t data are on top of each other

• The energy density is rescaled by the SB limit $\epsilon_{SB}/T^4 = 15.7$

♦ At T $\simeq 1000$ MeV these quantities reach $\sim 80\%$ of the SB limit

Results: entropy and speed of sound



• The different N_t data are on top of each other

- The entropy is rescaled by the SB limit
- $\blacklozenge \ c_s^2$ minimum value is about 0.13 at $T\simeq 145~{\rm MeV}$

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Results: trace anomaly and parametrization

$$\frac{\theta(T)}{T^4} = \frac{\epsilon - 3p}{T^4} = T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} (p/T^4)$$



• parametrization T = 100...1000 MeV (t = T/200 MeV)

$$\frac{I(T)}{T^4} = \exp(-h_1/t - h_2/t^2) \cdot \left(h_0 + \frac{f_0 \cdot [\tanh(f_1 \cdot t + f_2) + 1]}{1 + g_1 \cdot t + g_2 \cdot t^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{h_0}{0.1396} \quad \frac{h_1}{-0.1800} \quad \frac{h_2}{0.0350} \quad \frac{f_0}{2.76} \quad \frac{f_1}{6.79} \quad \frac{f_2}{-5.29} \quad \frac{g_1}{-0.47} \quad \frac{g_2}{1.04}$$

Trace anomaly



comparison with the published results of the hotQCD collaboration

ightarrow discrepancy: peak at $\simeq 20$ MeV larger T and $\simeq 50\%$ higher

- igoplus two different pion masses: $M_\pi=135$ MeV and $M_\pi\simeq 720$ MeV
- good agreement with the HRG model up to the transition region
- igoplus quark mass dependence disappears for high T
- good agreement with perturbation theory

Inclusion of exponential spectrum in HRG model



- For large masses few states are known experimentally
- Inclusion of exponentially growing hadron mass spectrum
 - J. Noronha-Hostler, C. Greiner, I. Shovkovy (2008); J. Noronha-Hostler, M. Beitel, C. Greiner, I. Shovkovy (2010)
- igoplus Agreement between lattice and HRG improved up to $T\sim 155~{
 m MeV}$
 - (A. Majumder, B. Müller: 1008.1747)

Charm contribution

lacktriangle perturbative indications: important already at $2T_c$

M. Laine and Y. Schroder, Phys. Rev. D73 (2006)

igstarrow determine it within the partially quenched framework: $m_c/m_s=11.85$



charm contribution is indeed non-negligible from 200 MeV

one has to extend this observation to the dynamical case

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Conclusions

- Most recent results on QCD thermodynamics by the WB collaboration
- QCD transition temperature: results from 2006 and 2009 are improved:
 - \blacksquare physical quark masses used in simulations also at T=0
 - \blacksquare finer lattices with $N_t = 16$
- The new results are in perfect agreement with those from 2006 and 2009
- QCD Equation of State:
 - results for physical quark masses
 - $\rightarrow N_t = 6, 8, 10, 12$
 - partially quenched charm contribution
- Good agreement between HRG model predictions and WB continuum results



What happens below T_c ?

- At low T and $\mu = 0$, QCD thermodynamics is dominated by pions
- The interaction between pions is suppressed

 - the energy density of pions from 3-loop ChPT differs only less than 15% from the ideal gas value
 - P. Gerber and H. Leutwyler (1989)
- \blacklozenge as T increases, heavier hadrons start to contribute
- for $T \ge 120$ MeV heavy states dominate the energy density
- their mutual interactions are proportional to $n_i n_k \sim \exp[-(M_i + M_k)/T]$: they are suppressed
 - the virial expansion can be used to calculate the effect of the interaction

Why HRG?

- In the virial expansion, the partition function can be split into a non-interacting piece and a piece which includes all interactions Dashen, Ma and Bernstein (1969)
- virial expansion and experimental information on scattering phase shift
 Prakash and Venugopalan (1992)
 - interplay between attractive and repulsive interaction

Interacting hadronic matter

can be well approximated by

a non-interacting gas of resonances