Hot QCD: exploring the hot and dense strongly interacting matter



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Defining questions of nuclear physics research in US: Nuclear Science Advisory Committee (NSAC) "The Frontiers of Nuclear Science", 2007 Long Range Plan "What are the phases of strongly interacting matter and what roles do the

"What are the phases of strongly interacting matter and what roles do they play in the cosmos ?"

"What does QCD predict for the properties of strongly interaction matter ?"



one of the major accomplishments since 2007: first reliable quantitative prediction for the phase diagram for small μ_B

Other questions raised by experimental results from RHIC according to 2012 NAS report "Exploring the Heart of Matter": How and at what time scale equilibration happens in heavy ion collisions ? => real time simulation of classical gauge fields What is the viscosity of the matter produced at RHIC ? => relativistic 3+1 d hydro simulations coupled to realistic pre-equilibrium dynamics

Accomplishments since 2007 and future challenges

1) Detailed understanding of the chiral and deconfining aspects of QCD transition, and determination of the chiral transition temperature in the continuum limit for $\mu_B=0$.

Verify these results with chiral quarks, extend the study of the phase diagram to $\mu_B > 0$. Locate critical end point (CEP) or rule out its existence.

2) Study of EoS at several lattice spacings. Extend current studies to finer lattices perform continuum extrapolation.

3) Detailed study of fluctuations of conserved charges, exploratory study of the transition temperature as function of the quark mass. Calculate fluctuation of conserved charges in the continuum limit.

4) Exploratory studies of quarkonium spectral functions and transport coefficients in quenched QCD.

Extend these studies to QCD with light dynamical quarks.

5) 3+1 dimensional relativistic viscous hydrodynamics with realistic initial conditions has been developed (NSAC milestone met).

Quantitative extraction of η /s from experimental data on flow.

NAS report 2012: "Exploring the Heart of Matter", section "Exploring Quark Gluon Plasma"

- 1) The near perfect liquid QGP discovered at RHIC and now produced also at the LHC must have a particulate description if looked at with a good enough microscope; how, and at what short length scales, can its individual quark and gluon constituents be resolved? And, how does a strongly coupled liquid emerge from constituents that at short length scales are coupled only weakly?
- 2) Experiments at RHIC indicate that the quark-gluon plasma liquid forms and reaches local equilibrium remarkably quickly, in about the time it takes light to travel across one proton. How does this happen? How does the system go from the strong gluon fields hypothesized to occur inside large nuclei to the flowing QGP liquid?
- **3)** Does the quark-gluon plasma liquid produced at RHIC and the LHC dissolve even the very small particles formed from heavy quarks and their anti-particles? Does the quark-gluon plasma prevent a heavy quark and antiquark from binding to each other only when they are farther apart than some "screening length"? How close together do they have to be for them to feel the same attraction that they

extracting η/s from RHIC, LQCD calculation of critical point, fluctuations of conserved charges, quarkonium spectral functions, transport coefficients

What are the dof at high temperature ?

How does the equilibration in RHIC happens ?

What happens to heavy quark bound states in QGP ?

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Finite Temperature QCD and its Lattice Formulation

integral with very large dimensions

• Improved staggered discretization : p4, asqtad, HISQ : relatively inexpensive numerical but does not preserve all the symmetries of QCD

• Domain Wall Fermion (DWF) formulation: preserves all the symmetries but costs ~ 100x of staggered formulation

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HotQCD: a collaborative effort

Hot and dense QCD is a part of larger USQCD activity and benefit from international collaboration (Germany)



Deconfinement : pressure, energy density and color screening



- rapid change in the number of degrees of freedom at T=160-200 MeV: deconfinement
- deviation from ideal gas limit is about 10% at high *T* consistent with the perturbative result free energy of static quark anti-quark pair shows Debye screening => quarkonium suppression @RHIC

• continuum limit ?

QCD thermodynamics at non-zero chemical potential

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Taylor expansion}: & \frac{p(T,\mu_B,\mu_S,\mu_Q)}{T^4} = \sum_{i,j,k} \frac{1}{i!j!k!} \chi_{ijk}^{BSQ} \cdot \mu_B^i \cdot \mu_S^j \cdot \mu_Q^k \\ & \text{hadronic} \\ & \frac{p(T,\mu_u,\mu_d,\mu_s)}{T^4} = \sum_{i,j,k} \frac{1}{i!j!k!} \chi_{ijk}^{uds} \cdot \mu_u^i \cdot \mu_d^j \cdot \mu_S^k \\ & \text{quark} \\ \\ \text{LQCD : Taylor} \\ \text{fluctuations of} \\ \text{expansion} & \text{fluctuations of} \\ \text{expansion} & \text{conserved char-} \\ & \text{ges: } X=B, S, Q \\ & \text{mean} \\ \chi_2^X = \frac{1}{VT^3} \langle (\delta N_X)^2 \rangle \\ & \pi_X = \langle (\delta N_X)^2 \rangle \\ & \pi_X = \langle (\delta N_X)^2 \rangle \\ & \text{skewness} \\ & \chi_3^X = \frac{1}{VT^3} \langle (\delta N_X)^4 \rangle \\ & K_X = \langle (\delta N_X)^4 \rangle / \sigma_X^4 - 3 \\ & -3 \langle (\delta N_X)^2 \rangle^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \text{Kurtosis} \\ & \chi_X = X - \bar{X}, \quad \delta N_X = N_X - \langle N_X \rangle \\ & \text{can calculated very effectively on} \\ & \text{single GPUs} \\ \end{array}$$

Fluctuations at low temperatures

HotQCD, arXiv:1204.0784



Deconfinement : increase in strange quark number fluctuations which approach the quark gas value at high *T*

Fluctuations at high temperatures

Ding (BNL)



NAS report 2012: "Exploring the Heart of Matter", section "Exploring Quark Gluon Plasma" Question #1

The quark number susceptibilities for *T>300*MeV agree with resummed petrurbative predictions A. Rebhan, arXiv:hep-ph/0301130 Blaizot et al, PLB 523 (01) 143 => quark dof

Determination of the freeze out conditions from LQCD

Chemical freeze out : formation of hadrons after cooling of the plasma, particle abundances don't change for $T < T_f$

In the past the freezeout conditions in RHIC have been determined using HRG model $\Rightarrow T_f \sim 160 \text{ MeV}$

 \Rightarrow freeze-out conditions can be determined using LQCD results on Taylor expansion coefficients and comparing them to event-by-event fluctuations at RHIC



Chiral symmetry of QCD in the vacuum and for T>0

• Chiral symmetry : For light quarks $m_{u,d} << \Lambda_{QCD}$ QCD Lagrangian has $SU_A(2)$ symmetry $\psi \rightarrow e^{i\phi^a T^a \gamma_5} \psi$ $\psi_{L,R} \rightarrow e^{i\phi^a_{L,R}T^a} \psi_{L,R}$ The vacuum breaks the symmetry $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle = \langle \bar{\psi}_L\psi_R \rangle + \langle \bar{\psi}_R\psi_L \rangle \neq 0$

 $U_A(1)$ symmetry $\psi \to e^{i\phi\gamma_5}\psi$ is broken by anomaly (ABJ): $\langle \partial^{\mu}j^a_{\mu} \rangle = -\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \langle \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}F^a_{\alpha\beta}F^a_{\gamma\delta} \rangle$



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≈5MeV

Pisarski, Wilczek, PD29 (1984) 338

 $T \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$: $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle \simeq 0$, $U_A(1)$ symmetry ?

- Restoration of the $U_A(1)$ may effect the chiral transition
- LQCD calculations with staggered quarks suggest crossover, e.g. Aoki et al, Nature 443 (2006) 675

Evidence for 2nd order transition in the chiral limit => universal properties of QCD transition:

confirmed by calculations using DWF fermions

infinity

Nobel Prize 2008



What is the transition temperature ?

To define the chiral transition temperature one needs to establish the connection to universal scaling light quark mass $m_l \leftrightarrow$ magnetic field H

$$M_b = \frac{m_s \langle \bar{\psi}\psi\rangle_l}{T^4} = h^{1/\delta} f_G(t/h^{1/\beta\delta}) + f_{M,reg}(T,H)$$

$$H = m_l/m_s, \quad h = H/h_0, t = (T - T_c^0)/(T_c^0 t_0)$$

Bazavov et al (HotQCD), Phys. Rev. D85 (2012) 054503

 $T_c = (154 \pm 8 \pm 1(scale))$ MeV



Domain Wall Fermions





Phase diagram and non-zero baryon density

How T_c depends on baryon density ?

$$\frac{T_c(\mu_B)}{T_c(0)} = 1 - 0.0066(5) \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^4)$$

Kaczmarek et al, PRD83 (2011) 014504

How close is the transition line to the freeze-out line ?

Is there a critical end-point (CEP)?

relevance for RHIC energy scan and CBM@ FAIR

Radius of convergence of Taylor expansion and CEP :

$$\rho_n = \sqrt{\chi_{n+2}/\chi_n}, \ \mu_{\rm B}^{\rm CEP} = \rho_n, n \to \infty$$



CBM@FAIR



Spectral functions at *T*>0 and physical observables

$$G(\tau,T) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \sigma(\omega,T) \frac{\cosh(\omega(\tau-1/(2T)))}{\sinh(\omega/(2T))}$$

Heavy meson spectral functions:

$$J_H = \overline{\psi} \, \Gamma_H \, \psi$$

Heavy flavor probes at RHIC

Light vector meson spectral functions:

$$J_{\mu} = \overline{\psi} \gamma_{\mu} \psi$$

Thermal photons and dileptons provide information about the temperature of the quarkonia properties at T>0heavy quark diffusion in QGP: **D**

Discovery: 'Perfect' Liquid Hot Enough to be Quark Soup February 15, 2010

thermal dilepton production rate

$$\frac{dW}{d\omega d^3 p} = \frac{5\alpha_{em}^2}{27\pi^2} \frac{1}{e^{\omega/T} - 1} \frac{\sigma_{\mu\mu}(\omega, p, T)}{\omega^2 - p^2}$$

thermal photon production rate :

$$p\frac{dW}{d^3p} = \frac{5\alpha_{em}}{9\pi} \frac{1}{e^{p/T} - 1} \sigma_{\mu\mu}(\omega = p, p, T)$$

Lattice calculations of transport coefficients



Charmonium spectral functions from MEM

NAS report 2012: section "Exploring QGP" Question #2:

Charmonium spectral functions on isotropic lattice in quenched approximation with Wilson quarks: H.-T. Ding et al, arXiv:1204.4945 $N_{\tau}=24-96, a^{-1}=18.97 GeV$



No clear evidence for charmonium bound state peaks above T_c in spectral functions !

Viscous hydrodynamics and flow

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Needs EoS from lattice QCD (s95-p1 parametrization), however the biggest uncertainty comes from pre-equibrium dynamics and initial fluctuations => numerical study of YM fields at early times (in progress), NAS report 2012: section "Exploring QGP" Question #2

How does Glasma thermalize to QGP ?

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Ab initio formalism now available for detailed 3+1-D numerical event-by-event Yang-Mills simulations

DM8, DM9, DM12 DM13

Proof of concept: isotropization of 3+1-D longitudinally expanding non-trivial scalar theory

> Dusling,Epelbaum,Gelis,Venugopalan, arXiv:1206.3336, submitted to Nucl. Phys. A



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Back-up : Status of the EoS calculations

 T_c and EoS \rightarrow hydro model \rightarrow v₂ and particle spectra \rightarrow comparison with experiment

particle spectra and elliptic flow parameter v_2



Back-up: Physics of heavy ion collisions and LQCD

