

Lecture 7-8: Correlation functions and spectral functions

Relation of spectral function and Euclidean correlation functions

Maximum Entropy Method

Quarkonium in QGP

pNRQCD and potential models

Dilepton rate and electric conductivity

Euclidean correlators and spectral functions

Lattice QCD is formulated in imaginary time

$$G(\tau, \vec{p}, T) = \int d^3x e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \langle J_H(\tau, \vec{x}) J_H^\dagger(0, 0) \rangle,$$

$$J_H(\tau, \vec{x}) = \bar{\psi}(\tau, \vec{x}) \Gamma_H \psi(\tau, \vec{x})$$

$$\Gamma_H = 1, \gamma_5, \gamma_\mu, \gamma_5 \cdot \gamma_\mu$$

$$R(\omega) = \frac{\sigma_{e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}}}{\sigma_{e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-}} = \frac{\sigma(\omega)}{\omega^2}$$

Physical processes take place in real time

$$D^>(t, \vec{p}, T) = \int d^3x e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \langle J_H(t, \vec{x}) J_H^\dagger(0, 0) \rangle,$$

$$D^<(t, \vec{p}, T) = \int d^3x e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \langle J_H(0, \vec{0}) J_H^\dagger(t, \vec{x}) \rangle$$

$$\frac{D^>(\omega) - D^<(\omega)}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} D_R(\omega) = \sigma(\omega)$$

$$G(\tau, T) = D^>(-i\tau)$$



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

if $T = 0$ and $\sigma(\omega) = \sum_n A_n \delta(\omega - E_n) \Rightarrow G(\tau) = A_0 e^{-E_0\tau} + A_1 e^{-E_1\tau} + \dots$

fit the large distance behavior of the lattice correlation functions

This is not possible for $T > 0$, $\tau_{max} = 1/T \Rightarrow$ Maximum Entropy Method (MEM)

Spectral functions at $T>0$ and physical observables

Heavy meson spectral functions:

$$J_H = \bar{\psi} \Gamma_H \psi$$



quarkonia properties at $T>0$
heavy quark diffusion in QGP: D

Quarkonium suppression (R_{AA})

Open charm/beauty suppression (R_{AA})

Light vector meson spectral functions:

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



thermal dilepton production rate
(# of dileptons/photons per unit 4-volume)

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

thermal photon production rate :

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

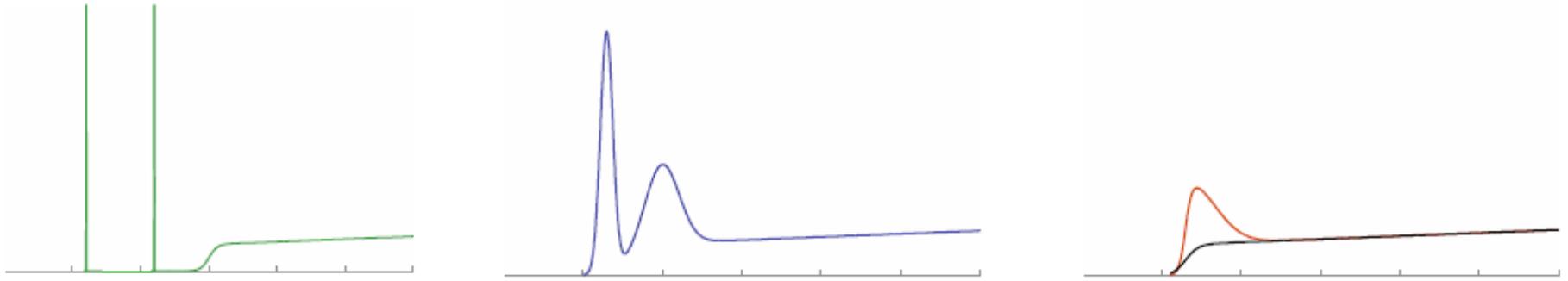
Thermal photons and dileptons provide information about the temperature of the medium produced in heavy ion collisions
Low mass dileptons are sensitive probes of chiral symmetry restoration at $T>0$

2 massless quark (u and d) flavors are assumed; for arbitrary number of flavors
 $5/9 \rightarrow \sum_f Q_f^2$

electric conductivity ζ :

Meson spectral functions and lattice QCD

In-medium properties and/or dissolution of quarkonium states are encoded in the spectral functions



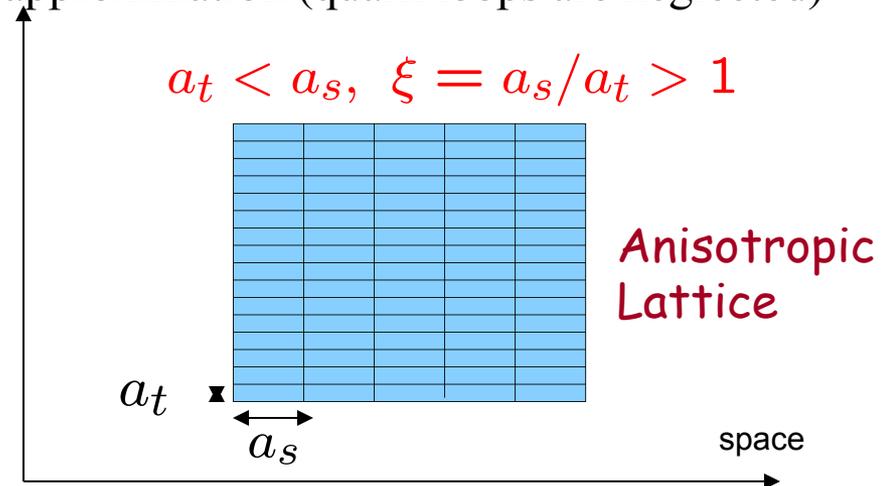
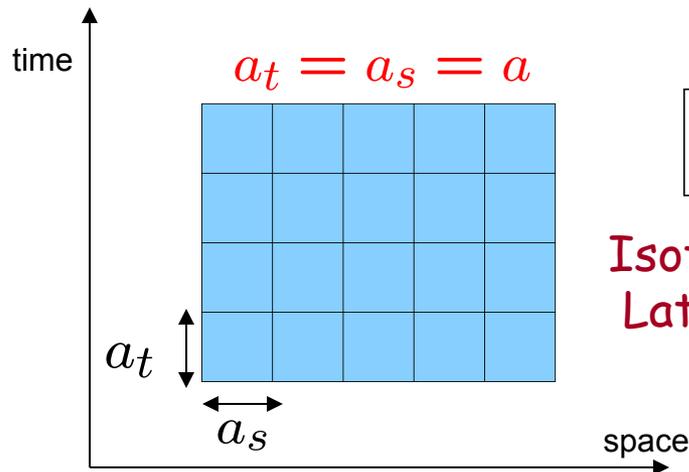
Melting is seen as progressive broadening and disappearance of the bound state peaks

Need to have detailed information on meson correlation functions \rightarrow large temporal extent N_t

Good control of discretization effects \rightarrow small lattice spacing a



Computationally very demanding \rightarrow use quenched approximation (quark loops are neglected)



Meson spectral functions in the free theory

At high energy ω and high T the meson spectral functions can be calculated using perturbation theory

LO (free theory) :

$$\sigma_i(\omega) = \theta(\omega^2 - 4M^2) \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \omega^2 \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M^2}{\omega^2}} \left(A_i + B_i \frac{4M^2}{\omega^2} \right) \tanh(\omega/4T) + \chi_i \omega \delta(\omega)$$

$$\chi^i(T) = \frac{6}{\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dp p^2 \left(a_i + b_i \frac{M^2}{E_p^2} + c_i \frac{p^2}{E_p^2} \right) \left(-\frac{\partial n_F}{\partial E_p} \right)$$

$$a_{sc} = 0, \quad a_{ax} = 1, \quad a_{vc} = 0, \quad a_{ps} = 0;$$

$$b_{sc} = 1, \quad b_{ax} = 2, \quad b_{vc} = 0, \quad b_{ps} = 0;$$

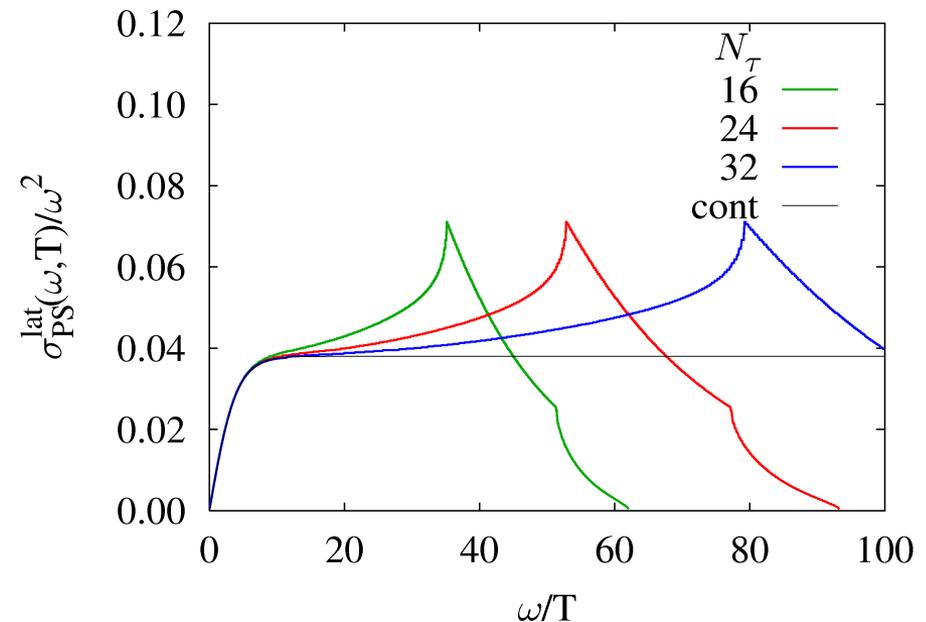
$$c_{sc} = 0, \quad c_{ax} = 0, \quad c_{vc} = 1, \quad c_{ps} = 0;$$

Karsch et al, PRD 68 (03) 014504

Aarts, Martinez Resco NPB 726 (05) 93

The free spectral functions can also be calculated on the lattice using Wilson type fermions

zero mode contribution
→ transport coefficients



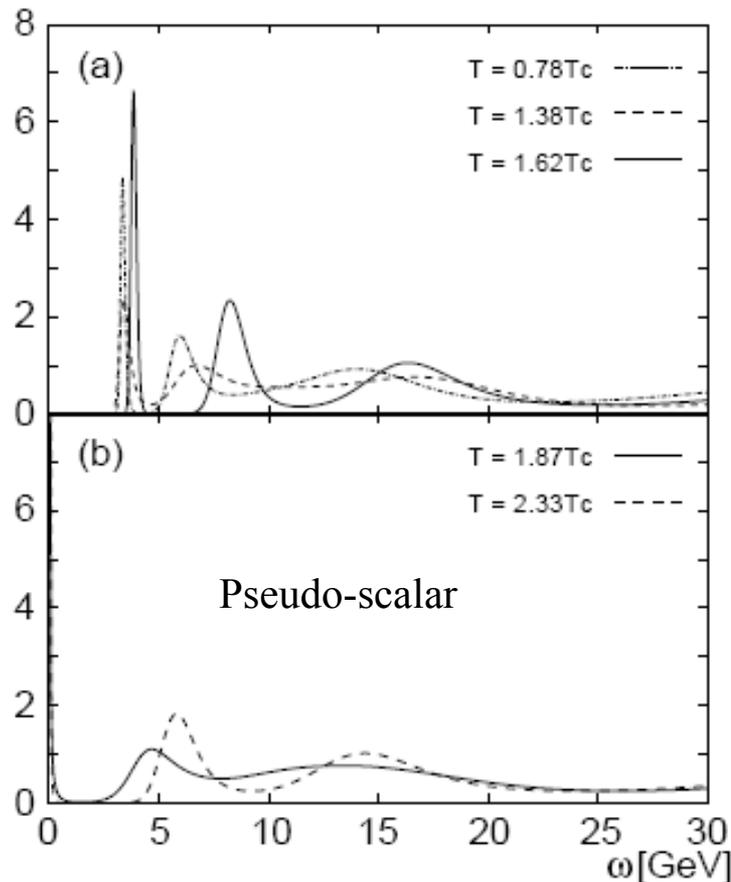
An example: charmonium spectral functions in lattice QCD

γ_5 : Pseudo – scalar(PS) $\rightarrow \eta_c (^1S_0)$ 1 : Scalar(SC) $\rightarrow \chi_{c0} (^3P_0)$

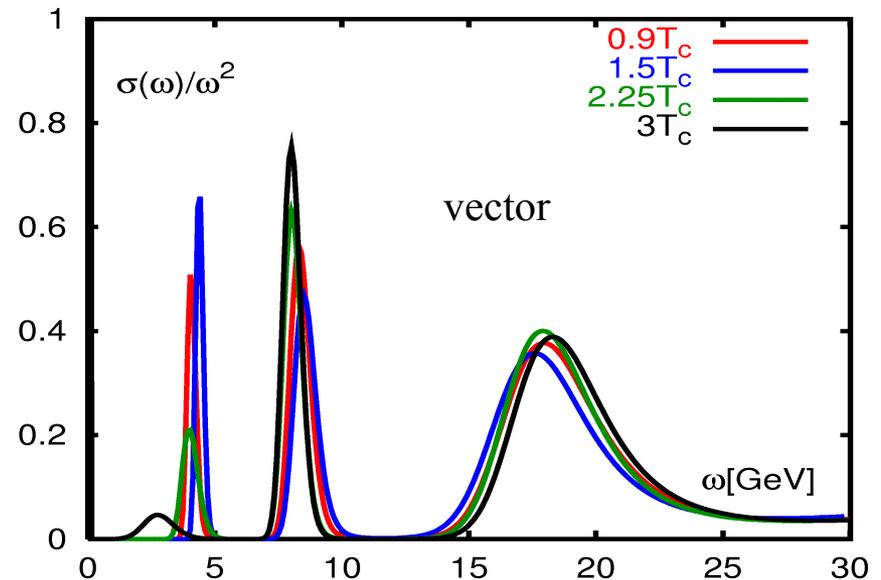
γ_μ : Vector(VV) $\rightarrow J/\psi (^3S_1)$

$\gamma_5\gamma_\mu$: Axial – Vector(AV) $\rightarrow \chi_{c1} (^3P_1)$

Asakawa, Hatsuda, PRL 92 (2004) 01200



Datta, et al, PRD 69 (04) 094507



1S state charmonia may survive at least up to $1.6T_c$??
see also

Umeda et al, EPJ C39S1 (05) 9, Iida et al, PRD 74 (2006) 074502

Reconstruction of the spectral functions : MEM

$$G(\tau, T) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \sigma(\omega, T) \cdot K(\omega, T)$$

$\mathcal{O}(10)$ data and $\mathcal{O}(100)$ degrees of freedom to reconstruct



Bayesian techniques: find $\sigma(\omega, T)$ which maximizes

$$P[\sigma|DH] \sim P[D|\sigma H] P[\sigma|H]$$

data

Prior knowledge

prior probability

Bayes' theorem :
 $P[X|Y] = P[Y|X]P[X]/P[Y]$

$$P[XY] = P[X|Y]P[Y] = P[Y|X]P[X]$$

$H : \sigma(\omega, T) > 0 \Rightarrow$ Maximum Entropy Method (MEM): $P[\sigma|H] = e^{\alpha S}$

Asakawa, Hatsuda, Nakahara, PRD 60 (99) 091503, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 46 (01) 459

$$P[\sigma|DH] = P[\sigma|D\alpha m] = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\chi^2 + \alpha S\right)$$

Likelihood function

Shannon-Janes entropy:

$$S = \int_0^\infty d\omega \left[\sigma(\omega) - m(\omega) - \sigma(\omega) \ln \frac{\sigma(\omega)}{m(\omega)} \right]$$

$m(\omega)$ - default model $m(\omega \gg \Lambda_{QCD}) = m_0 \omega^2$ -perturbation theory

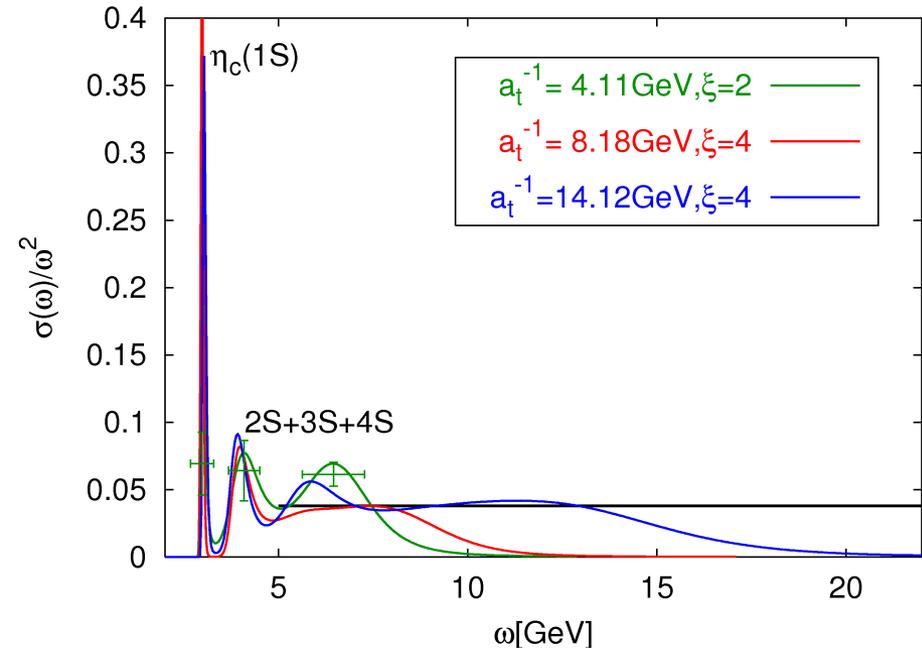
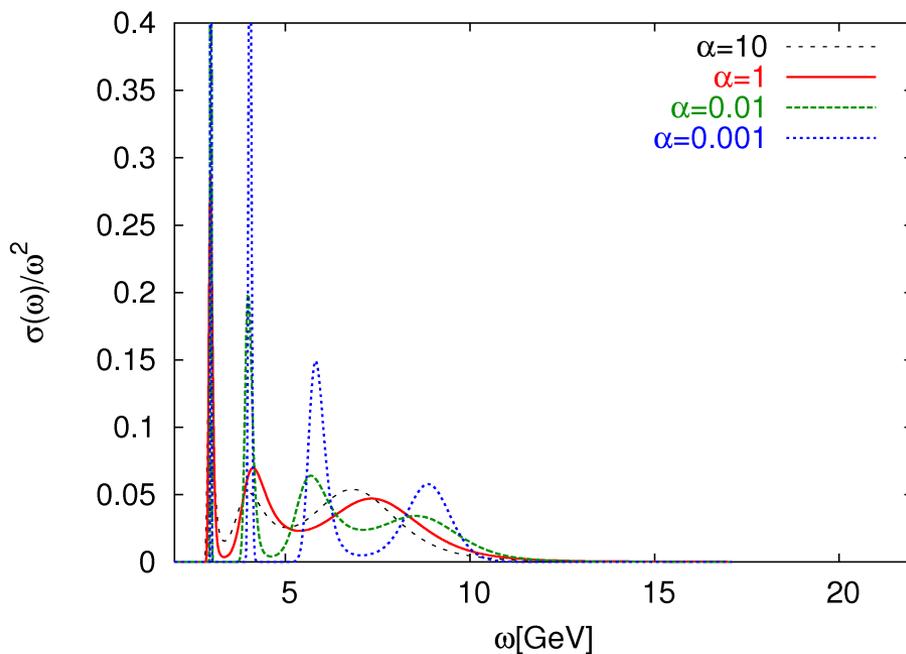
Charmonium spectral functions at T=0

Anisotropic lattices: $16^3 \times 64, \xi = 2$ $16^3 \times 96, \xi = 4$, $24^3 \times 160, \xi = 4$
 $L_s = 1.35 - 1.54\text{fm}$, #configs=500-930;

Wilson gauge action and Fermilab heavy quark action

Pseudo-scalar (PS) \rightarrow S-states

Jakovác, P.P. , Petrov, Velytsky, PRD 75 (2007) 014506



For $\omega > 5$ GeV the spectral function is sensitive to lattice cut-off ;
good agreement with 2-exponential fit for peak position and amplitude

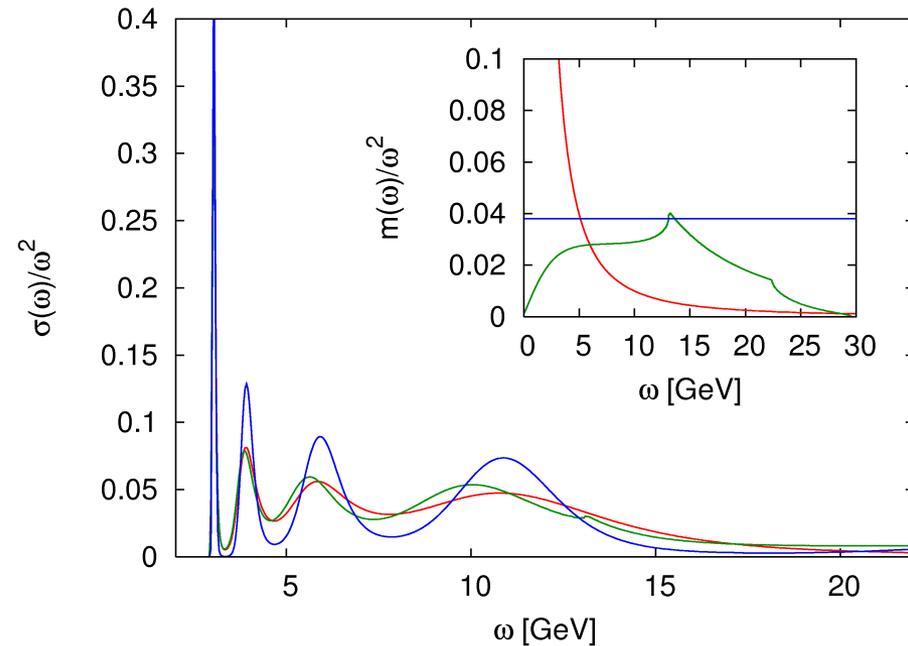
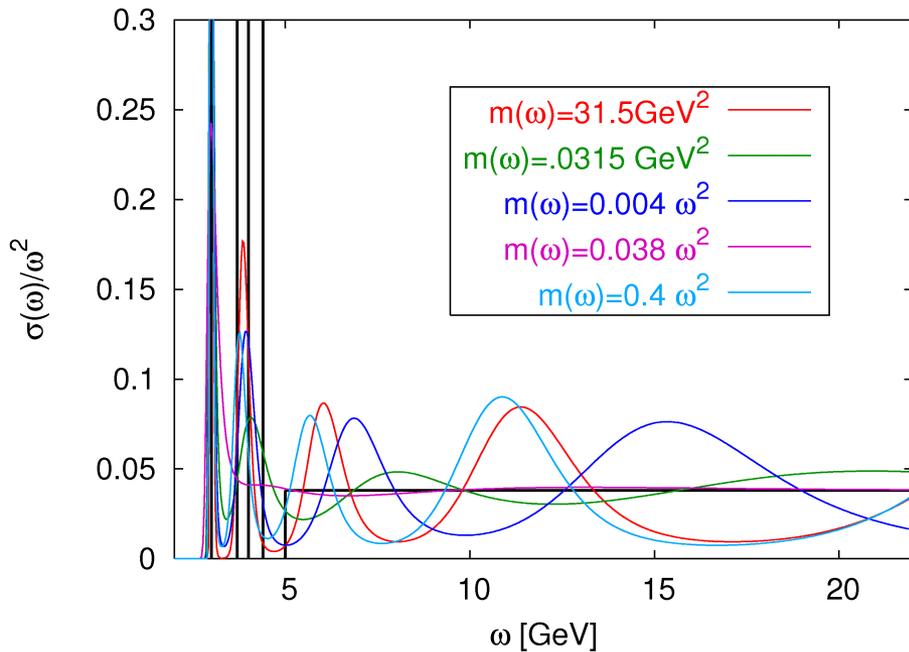
Charmonium spectral functions at T=0 (cont' d)

What states can be resolved and what is the dependence on the default model ?

Reconstruction of an input spectral function :

Lattice data in PS channel for:

$$a_t^{-1} = 14.12 \text{ GeV}, N_t = 160$$



Ground states is well resolved, no default model dependence;

Excited states are not resolved individually, moderate dependence on the default model;

Strong default model dependence in the continuum region, $\omega > 5$ GeV

Charmonia correlators at T>0

temperature dependence of $G(\tau, T)$

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

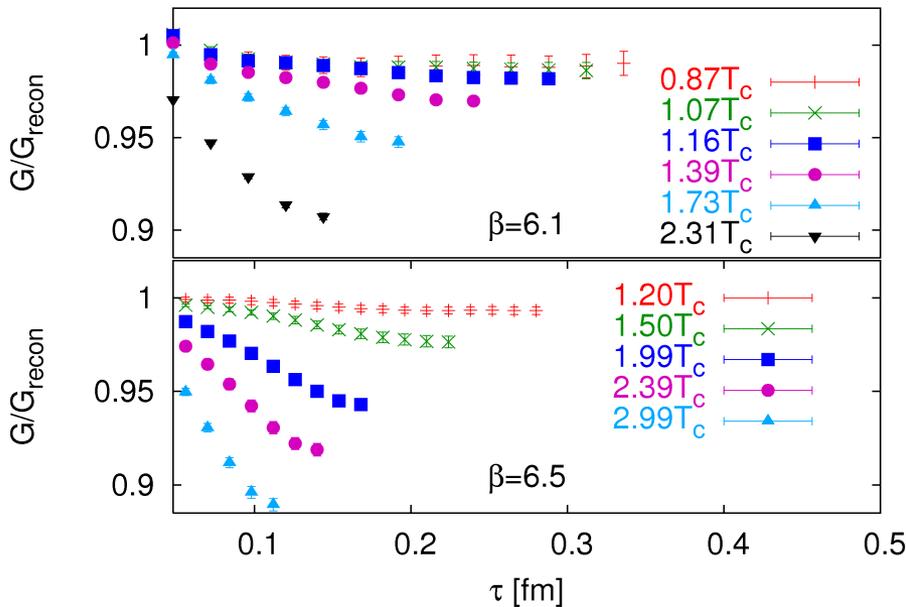
If there is no T-dependence in the spectral function,

$$G(\tau, T)/G_{recon}(\tau, T) = 1$$

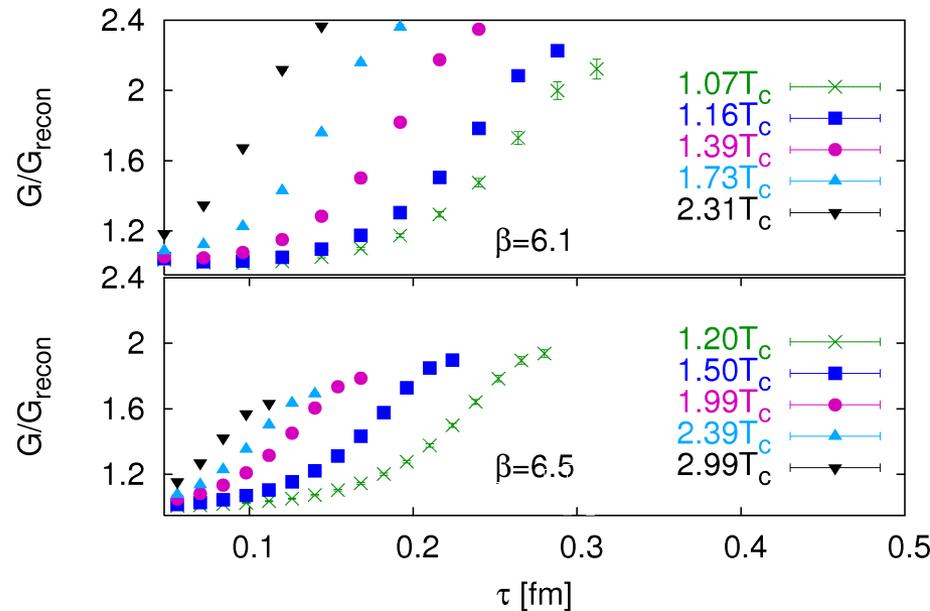
$$G_{recon}(\tau, T) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \sigma(\omega, T=0) \frac{\cosh(\omega \cdot (\tau - \frac{1}{2T}))}{\sinh(\omega/(2T))}$$

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PS, $\Gamma_H = \gamma_5$



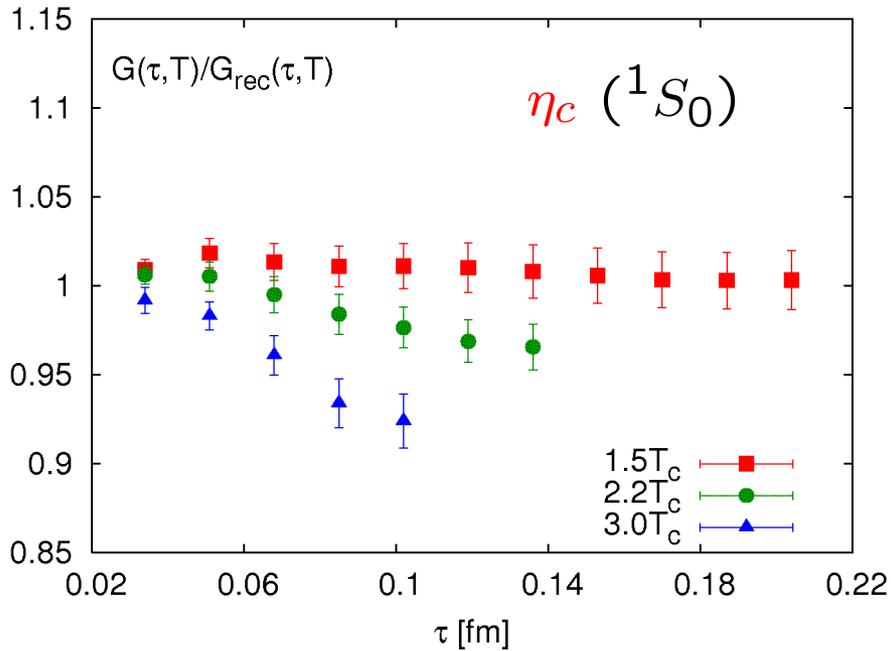
SC, $\Gamma_H = 1$



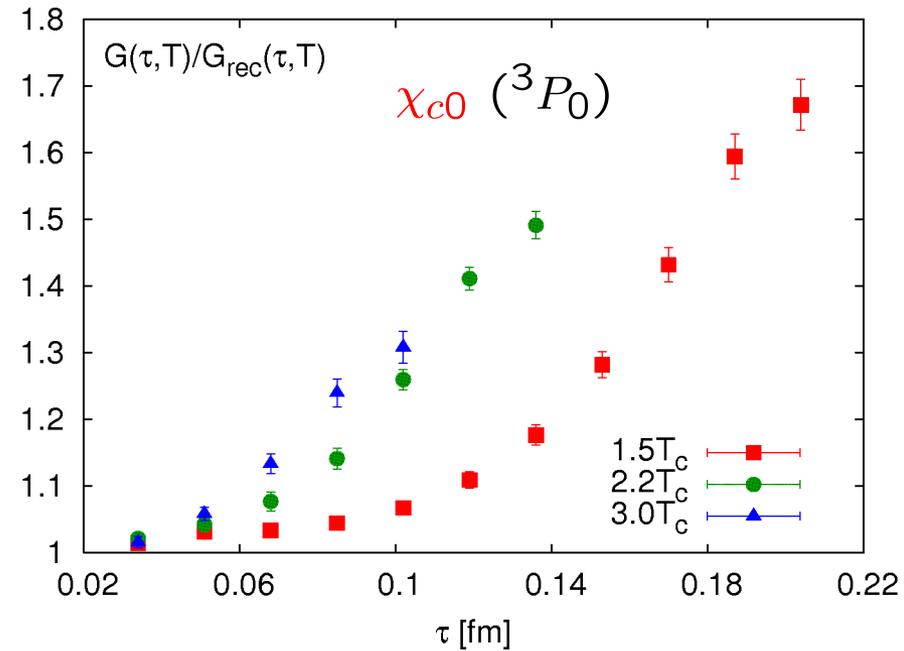
in agreement with calculations on isotropic lattice: Datta et al, PRD 69 (04) 094507

Temperature dependence of quarkonium

Pseudo-scalar



Scalar

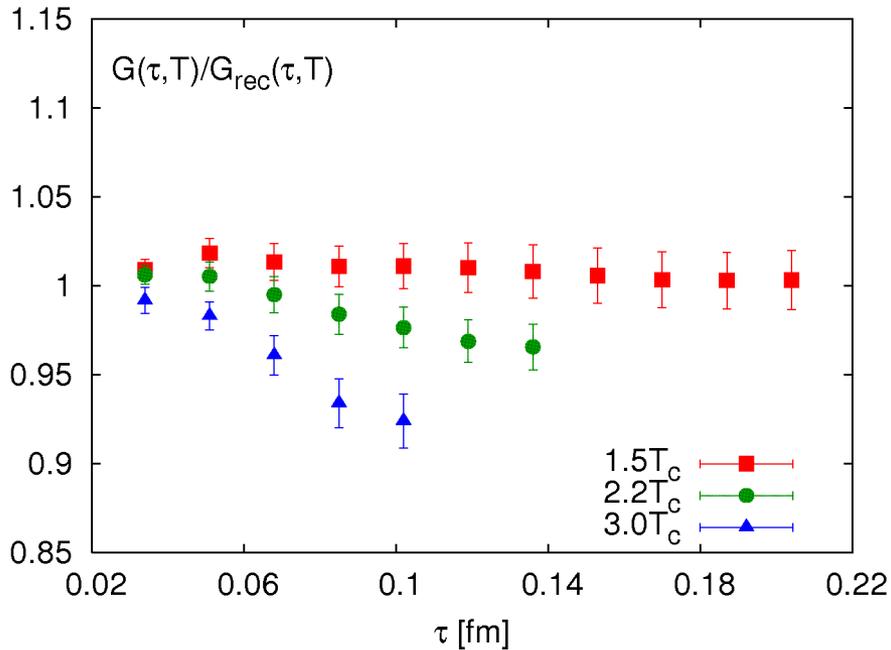


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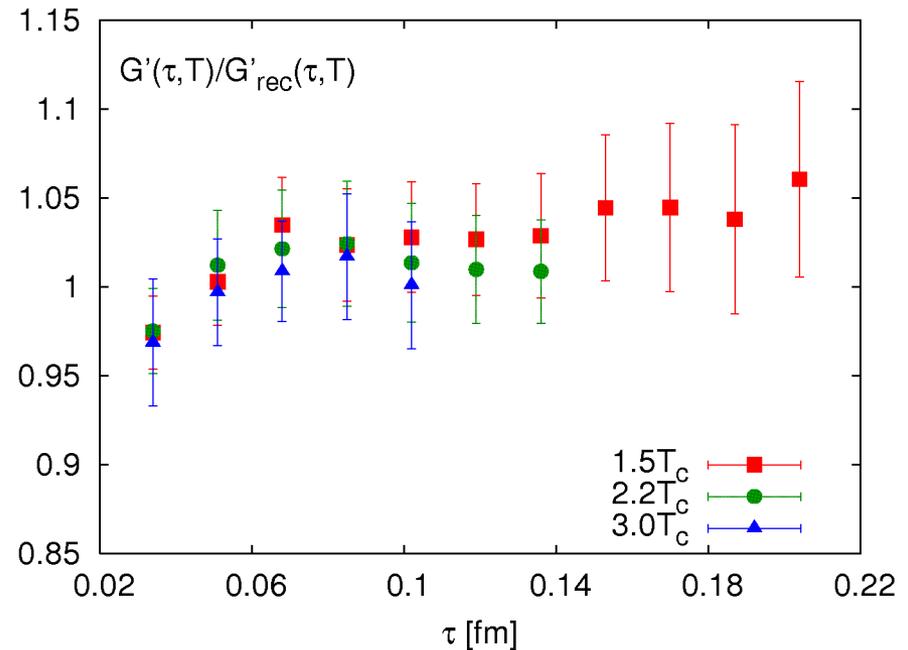
zero mode contribution is not present in the time derivative of the correlator
Umeda, PRD 75 (2007) 094502

Temperature dependence of quarkonium

Pseudo-scalar



Scalar



No change in the derivative of the scalar quarkonium correlator up to $3T_c$!

Almost the entire temperature dependence of the scalar correlators is given by the zero mode contribution !

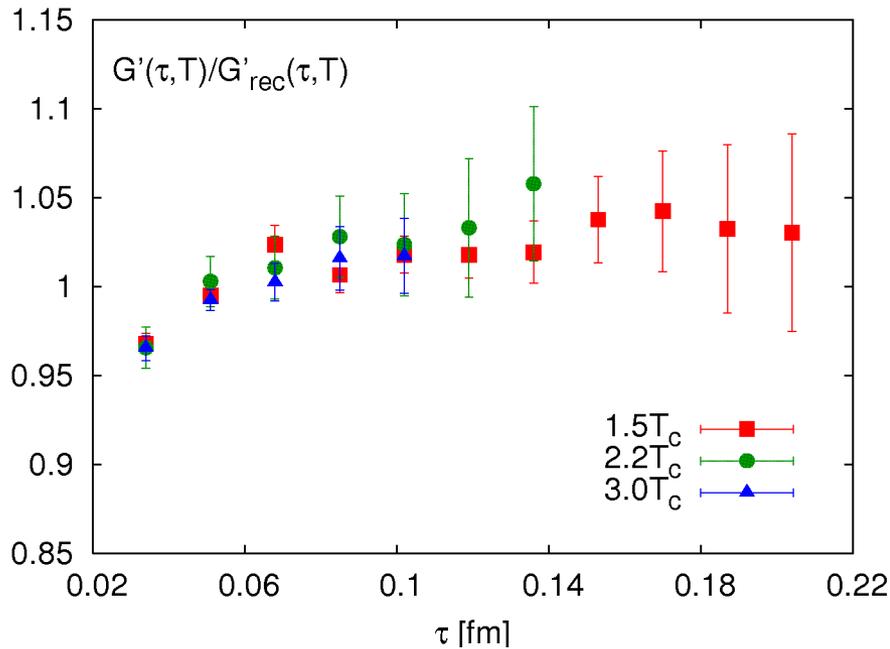
In agreement with previous findings:

Mócsy, P.P, PRD 77 (2008) 014501

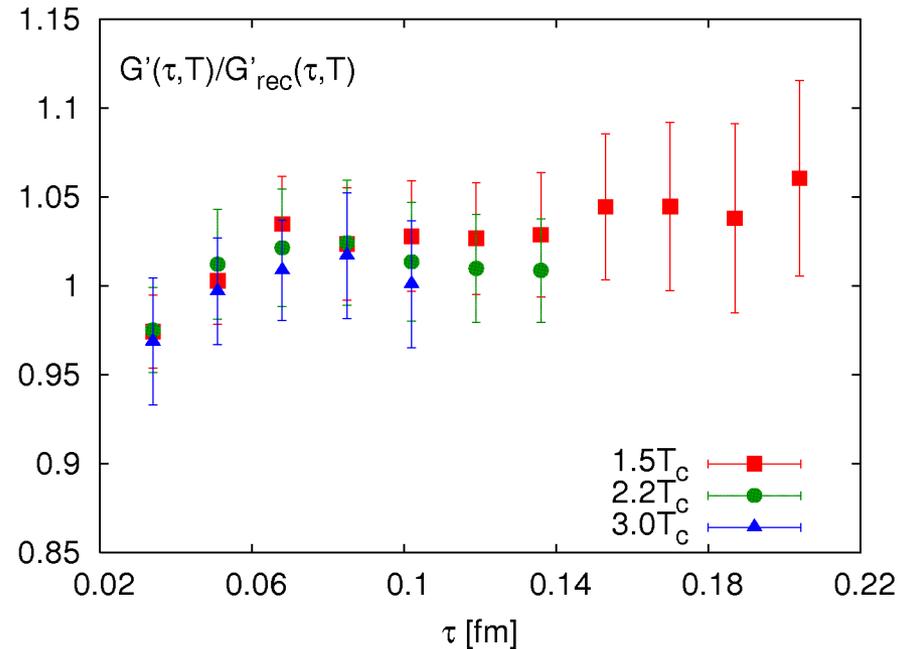
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Temperature dependence of quarkonium

Axial-vector



Scalar



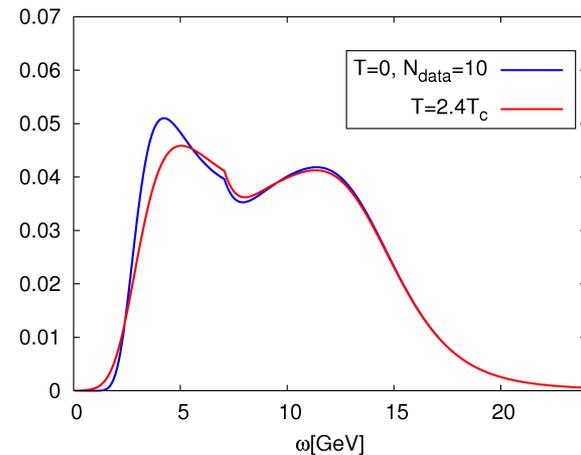
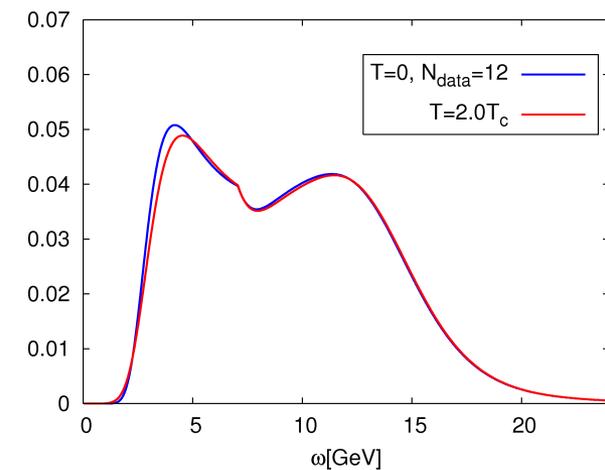
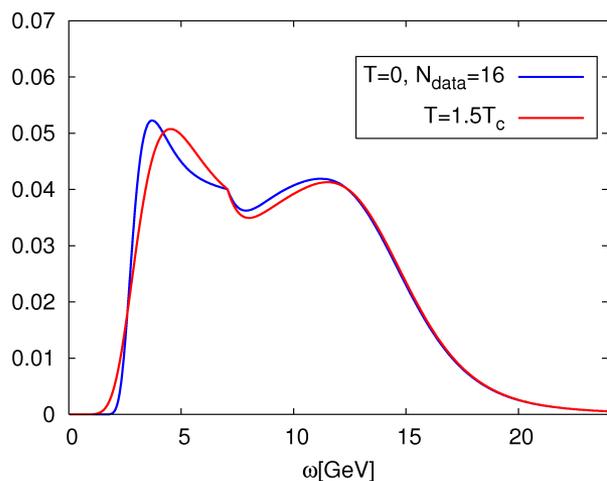
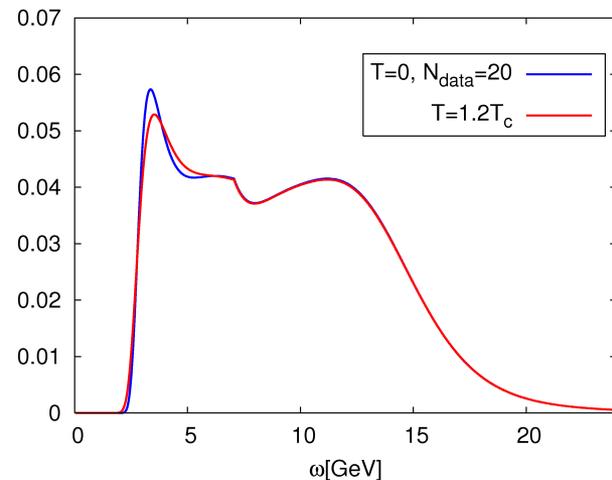
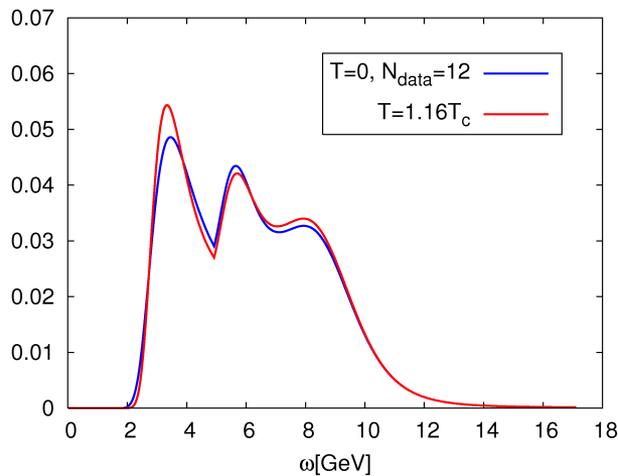
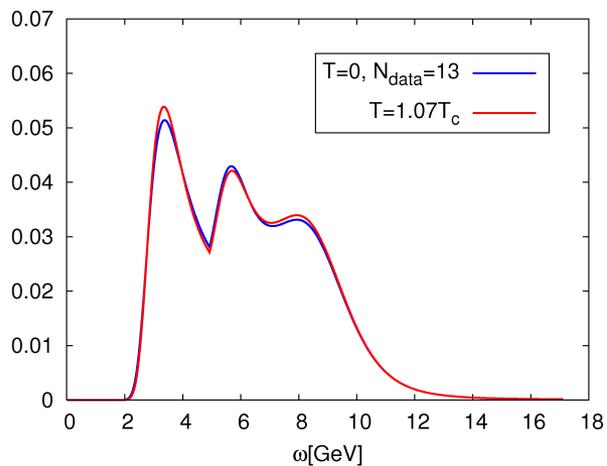
The situation is the same in the axial-vector correlator

In agreement with previous findings:

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Using **default model** from the high energy part of the $T=0$ spectral functions :
 resonances appears as small structures on top of the continuum,
 little T -dependence in the PS spectral functions till $T \simeq 2.4T_c$
 but no clear peak structure



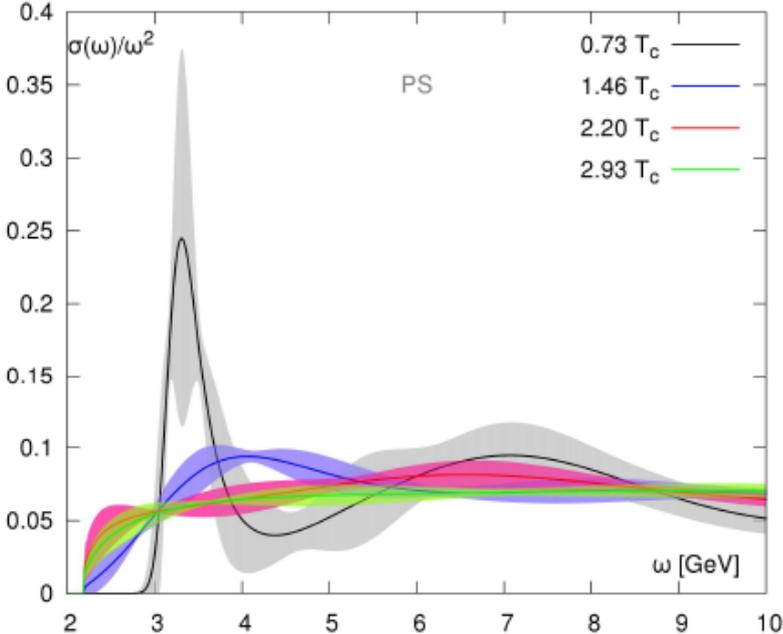
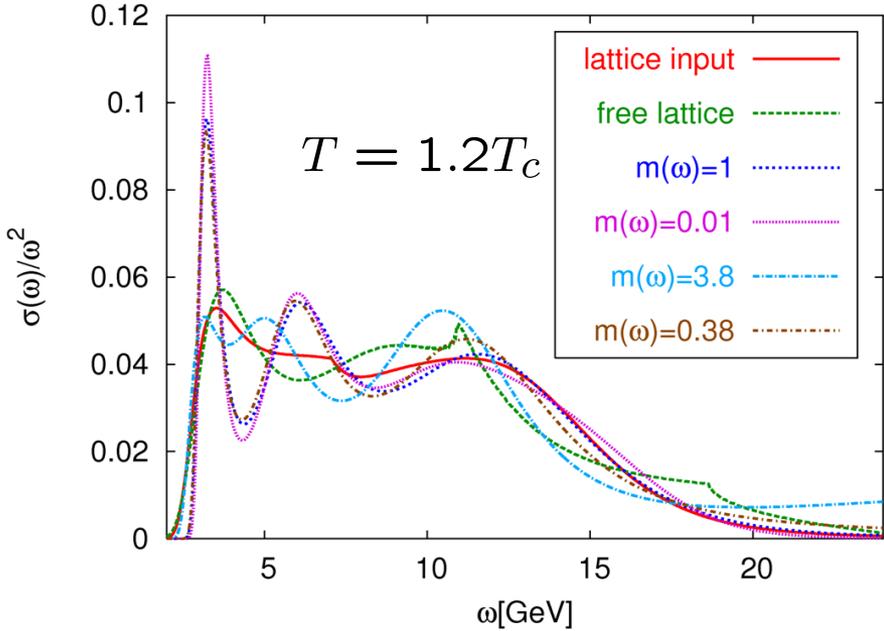
Charmonia spectral functions at $T > 0$ (cont' d)

Jakovác, P.P. , Petrov, Velytsky, PRD 75 (2007) 014506

Ding et al arXiv:1011.0695 [hep-lat]

PS, $24^3 \times 40$, $a_t^{-1} = 14.12$ GeV, $\xi = 4$,

$128^3 \times N_\tau$, $N_\tau = 96 - 24$
 $a_t^{-1} = a_s^{-1} = a^{-1} = 18.97$ GeV



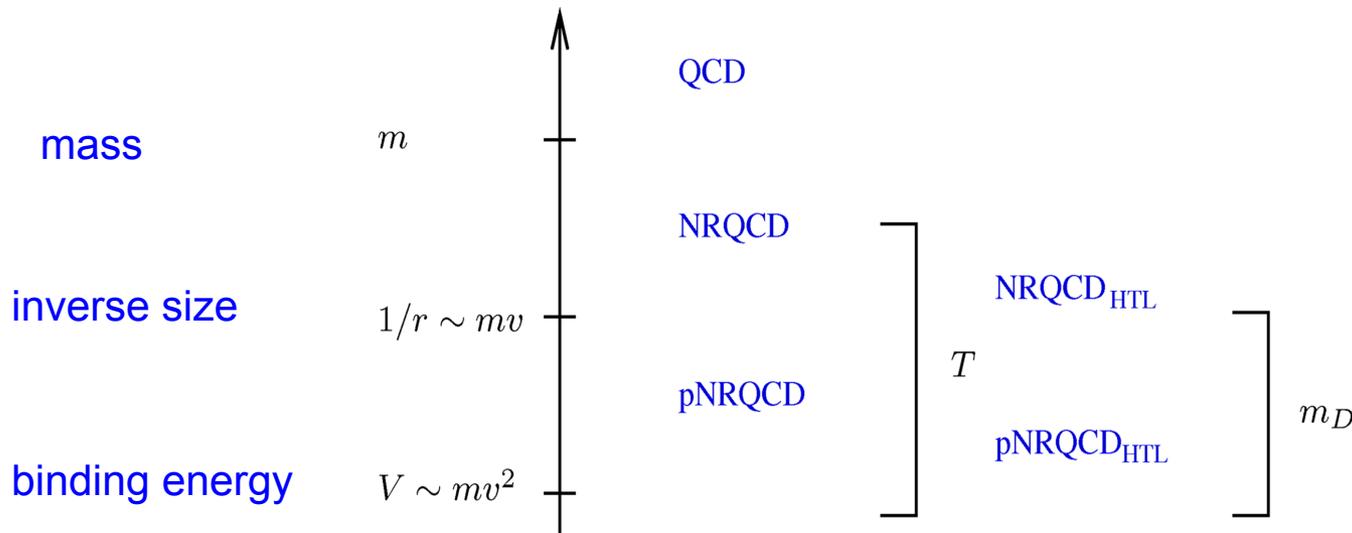
there is a strong dependence on the default model $m(\omega)$ at finite temperature

$m(\omega)$: free lattice spectral functions

with realistic choices of the default model no peaks can be seen in the spectral functions in the deconfined phase !

Effective field theory approach for heavy quark bound states and potential models

The heavy quark mass provides a hierarchy of different energy scales



The scale separation allows to construct sequence of effective field theories:
NRQCD, pNRQCD

Potential model appears as the tree level approximation of the EFT
and can be systematically improved

pNRQCD at finite temperature for static quarks

EFT for energy scale : $E_{bind} \sim \Delta V = (V_o - V_s) \sim mv^2$

Ultrasoft quark and gluons

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} \bar{q}_i i \not{D} q_i$$

Singlet $Q\bar{Q}$ field

Octet $Q\bar{Q}$ field

$$+ \int d^3r \text{Tr} \left\{ S^\dagger \left[i\partial_0 - \frac{-\nabla^2}{m} - V_s(r, T) \right] S + O^\dagger \left[iD_0 - \frac{-\nabla^2}{m} - V_o(r, T) \right] O \right\}$$

$$+ V_A \text{Tr} \left\{ O^\dagger \vec{r} \cdot g\vec{E} S + S^\dagger \vec{r} \cdot g\vec{E} O \right\} + \frac{V_B}{2} \text{Tr} \left\{ O^\dagger \vec{r} \cdot g\vec{E} O + O^\dagger O \vec{r} \cdot g\vec{E} \right\} + \dots$$

potential is the matching parameter of EFT !

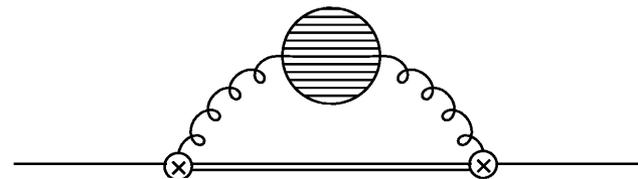
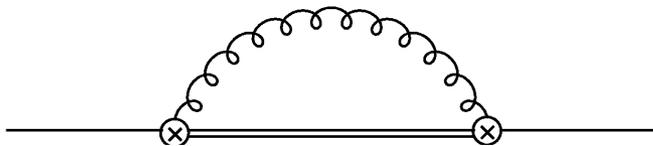
Free field limit => Schrödinger equation

$$\left[i\partial_0 - \frac{-\nabla^2}{m} - V_s(r, T) \right] S(r, t) = 0$$

$E_{bind} \sim \Delta V \sim \alpha_s/r \ll T$, m_D there are thermal contribution to the potentials

Singlet-octet transition :

Landau damping :



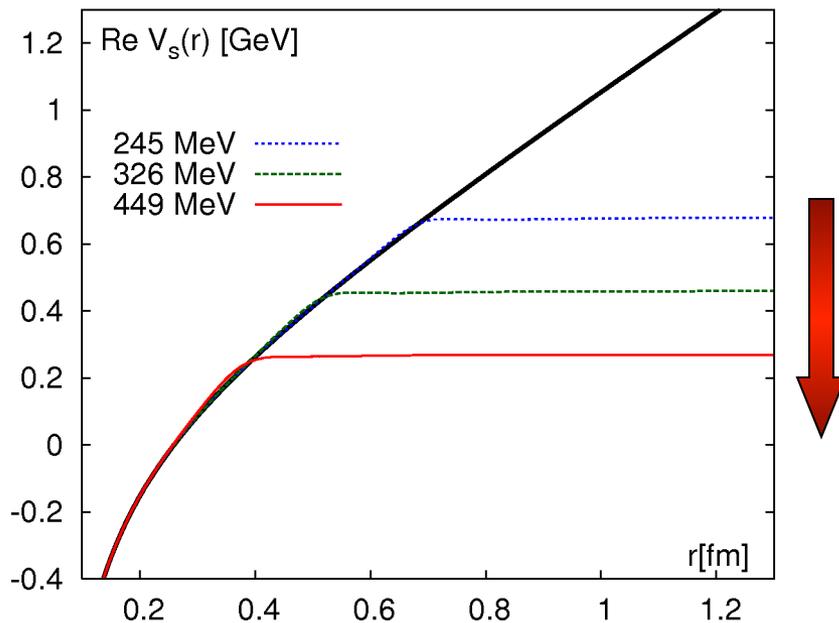
pNRQCD beyond weak coupling and potential models

Above deconfinement the binding energy is reduced and eventually $E_{bind} \sim mv^2$ is the smallest scale in the problem (zero binding) $mv^2 \gg \Lambda_{QCD}, 2\pi T, m_D \Rightarrow$ most of medium effects can be described by a T -dependent potential

Determine the potential by non-perturbative matching to static quark anti-quark potential calculated on the lattice

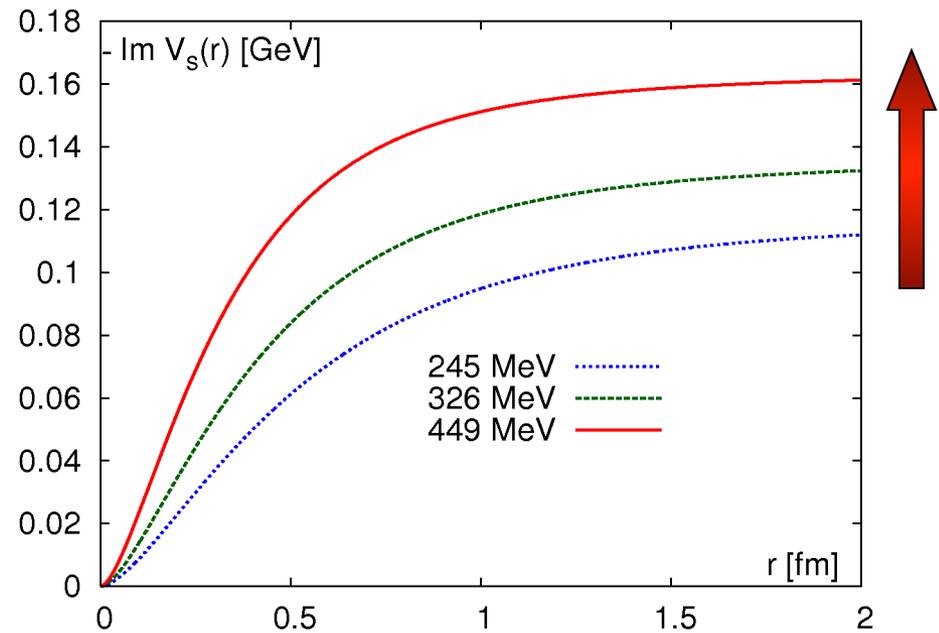
Caveat : it is difficult to extract static quark anti-quark energies from lattice correlators \Rightarrow constrain $\text{Re}V_s(r)$ by lattice QCD data on the singlet free energy, take $\text{Im}V_s(r)$ from pQCD calculations

“Maximal” value for the real part



Mócsy, P.P., PRL 99 (07) 211602

Minimal (perturbative) value for imaginary part



Laine et al, JHEP0703 (07) 054,
Beraudo, arXiv:0812.1130

Lattice QCD based potential model

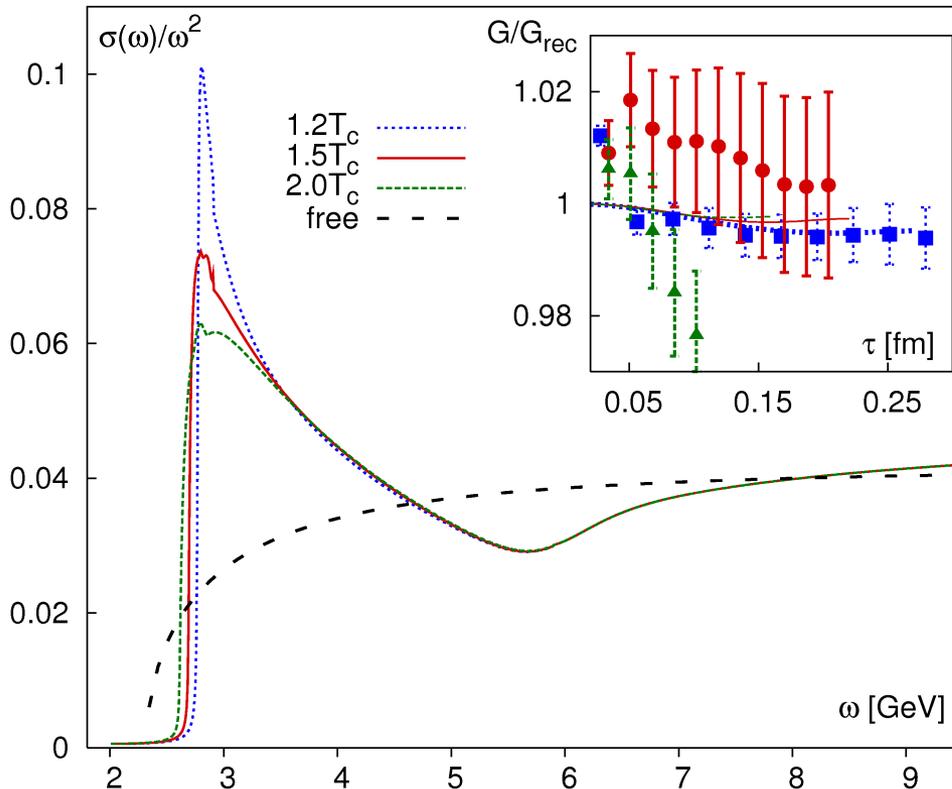
If the octet-singlet interactions due to ultra-soft gluons are neglected :

$$\left[i\partial_0 - \frac{-\nabla^2}{m} - V_s(r, T) \right] S(r, t) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sigma(\omega, T)$$

potential model is not a model but the tree level approximation of corresponding EFT that can be systematically improved

Test the approach vs. LQCD : quenched approximation, $F_1(r, T) < \text{Re}V_s(r, T) < U_1(r, T)$, $\text{Im}V(r, T) \approx 0$

Mócsy, P.P., PRL 99 (07) 211602, PRD77 (08) 014501, EPJC ST 155 (08) 101



- resonance-like structures disappear already by $1.2T_c$
- strong threshold enhancement above free case
=> indication of correlations
- height of bump in lattice and model are similar
- The correlators do not change significantly despite the melting of the bound states => it is difficult to distinguish bound state from threshold enhancement in lattice QCD

The role of the imaginary part for charmonium

Take the upper limit for the real part of the potential allowed by lattice calculations

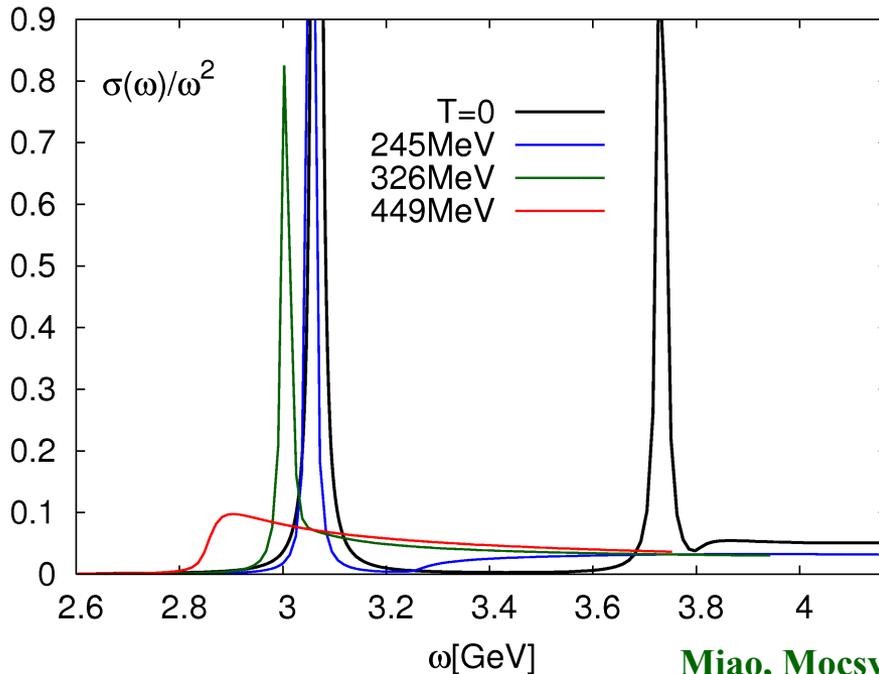
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Take the perturbative imaginary part

Burnier, Laine, Vepsalainen JHEP 0801 (08) 043

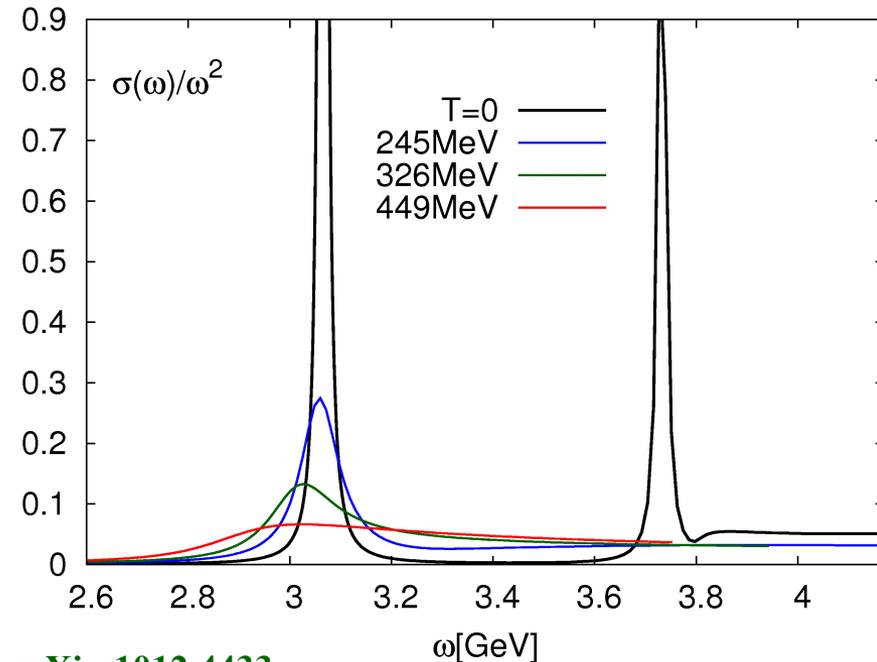
$Im V_s(r) = 0$:

1S state survives for $T = 330$ MeV



Miao, Mocsy, P.P., arXiv:1012.4433

imaginary part of $V_s(r)$ is included :
all states dissolves for $T > 250$ MeV



no charmonium state could survive for $T > 250$ MeV

this is consistent with our earlier analysis of Mócsy, P.P., PRL 99 (07) 211602 ($T_{dec} \sim 204$ MeV)

as well as with Riek and Rapp, arXiv:1012.0019 [nucl-th]

The role of the imaginary part for bottomonium

Take the upper limit for the real part of the potential allowed by lattice calculations

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Take the perturbative imaginary part

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$Im V_s(r) = 0:$

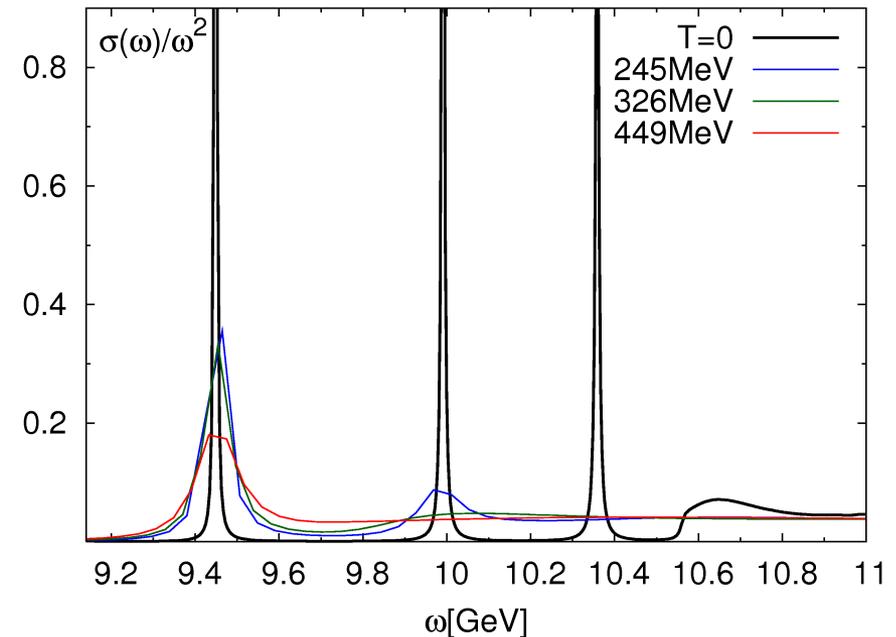
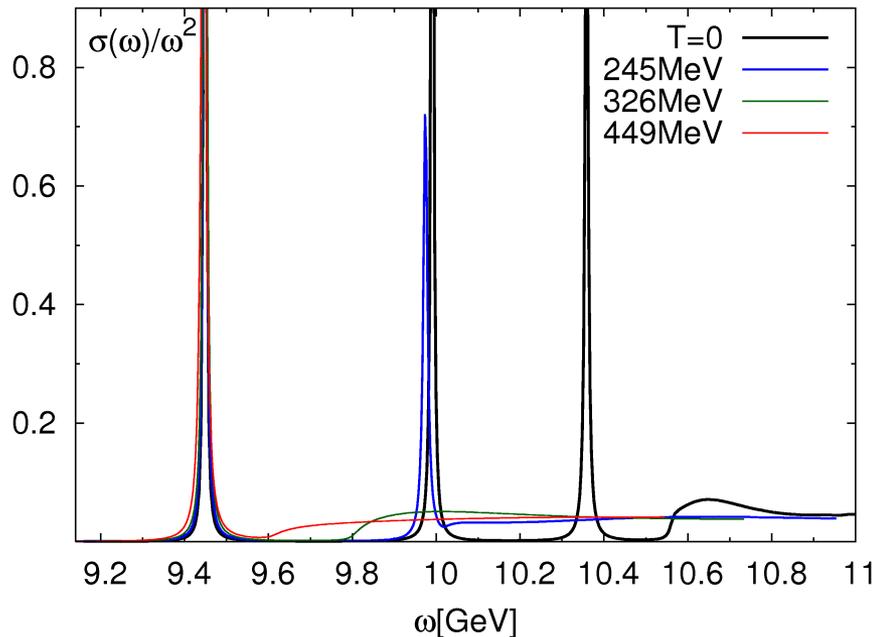
2S state survives for $T > 250$ MeV

1S state could survive for $T > 450$ MeV

with imaginary part:

2S state dissolves for $T > 250$ MeV

1S states dissolves for $T > 450$ MeV



Miao, Mocsy, P.P., arXiv:1012.4433

Excited bottomonium states melt for $T \approx 250$ MeV ; 1S state melts for $T \approx 450$ MeV

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Spatial charmonium correlators

Spatial correlation functions can be calculated for arbitrarily large separations $z \rightarrow \infty$

$$G(z, T) = \int_0^{1/T} d\tau \int dx dy \langle J(\mathbf{x}, -i\tau), J(\mathbf{x}, 0) \rangle_T, \quad G(z \rightarrow \infty, T) \simeq A e^{-m_{scr}(T)z}$$

but related to the same spectral functions

$$G(z, T) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ipz} \int_0^{\infty} d\omega \frac{\sigma(\omega, p, T)}{\omega}$$

Low T limit :

$$\sigma(\omega, p, T) \simeq A_{mes} \delta(\omega^2 - p^2 - M_{mes}^2)$$

$$A_{mes} \sim |\psi(0)|^2 \rightarrow m_{scr}(T) = M_{mes}$$

$$G(z, T) \simeq |\psi(0)|^2 e^{-M_{mes}(T)z}$$

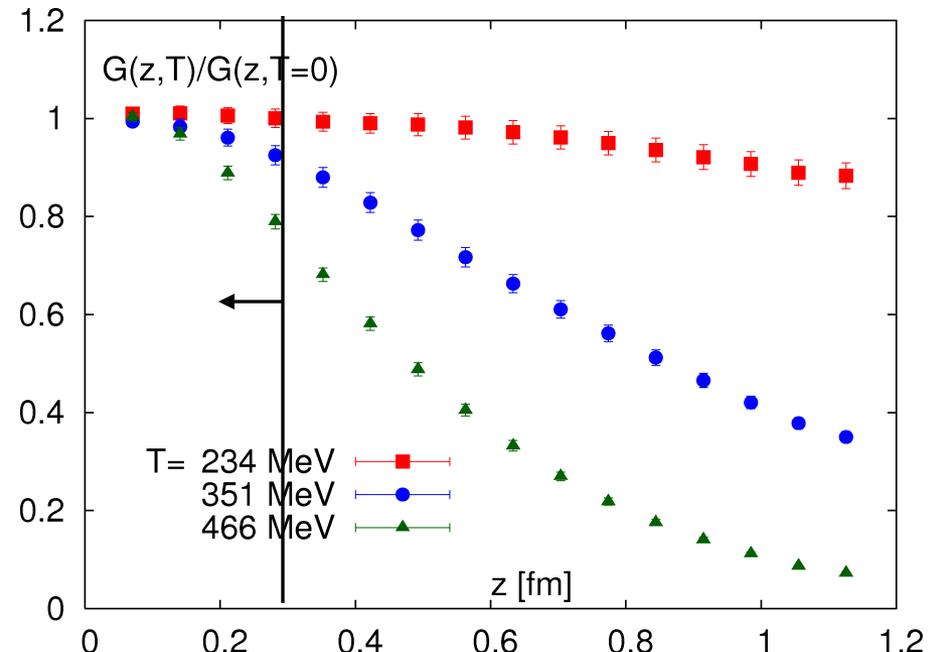
p4 action, dynamical $(2+1)$ -f $32^3 \times 8$ and $32^3 \times 12$ lattices

Significant temperature dependence already for $T=234$ MeV, large T -dependence in the deconfined phase

For small separations ($z \lesssim T^{-1/2}$) significant T -dependence is seen

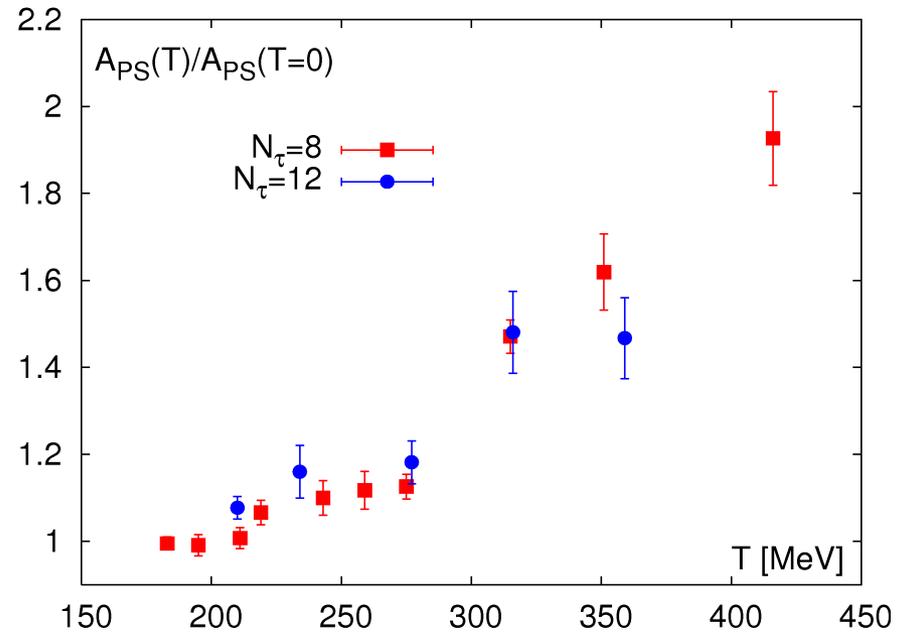
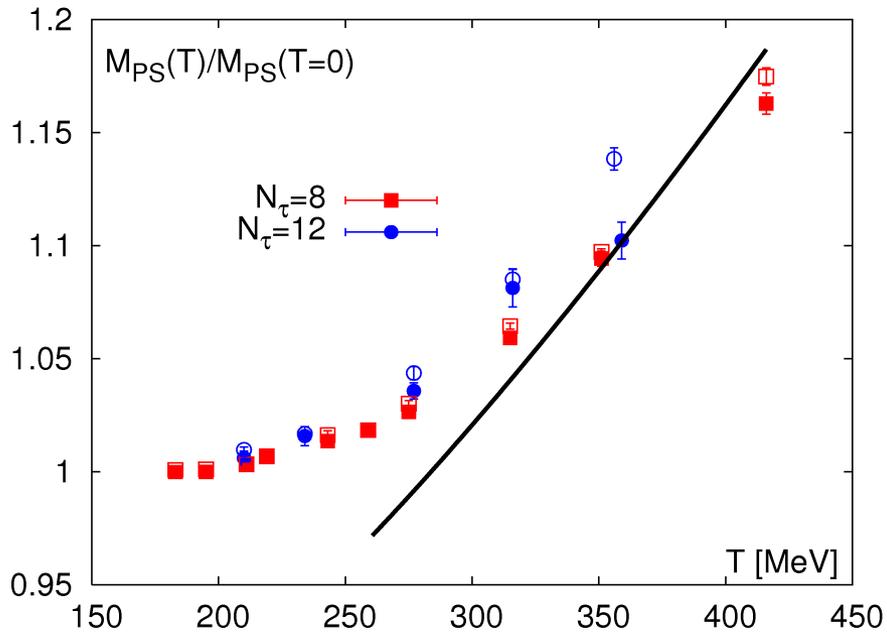
High T limit :

$$m_{scr}(T) \simeq 2\sqrt{m_c^2 + (\pi T)^2}$$



Spatial charmonium correlators

pseudo-scalar channel \Rightarrow 1S state, point sources: filled; wall sources: open



- no T -dependence in the screening masses and amplitudes (wave functions) for $T < 200$ MeV
- moderate T -dependence for $200 < T < 275$ MeV \Rightarrow medium modification of the ground state
- Strong T -dependence of the screening masses and amplitudes for $T > 300$ MeV, compatible with free quark behavior assuming $m_c = 1.2$ GeV \Rightarrow dissolution of 1S charmonium !

Heavy quark diffusion, linear response and Euclidean correlators

Linear response :

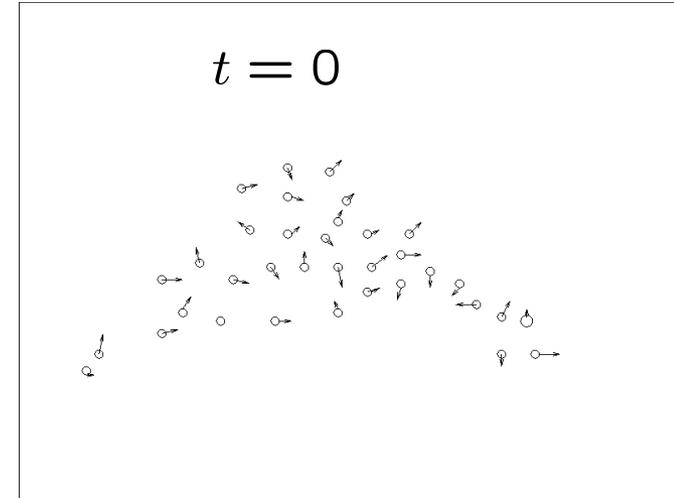
$$H = H_0 - \int d^3x \mu(x, t) N(x, t), \quad N(x, t) = \bar{q}(x, t) \gamma_0 q(x, t), \quad \mu(x, t) = e^{\epsilon t} \theta(-t) \mu(x)$$

$$\langle \delta N(x, t) \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' D_{NN}^R(x, t' - t) \mu(x, t')$$

$$\sigma_{NN}(k, \omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} D_{NN}^R(k, \omega)$$

$$D_{JJ}^{Rij}(k, \omega) = \left(\delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} \right) D_{JJ,T}^R(k, \omega) + \frac{k_i k_j}{k^2} D_{JJ,L}^R(k, \omega)$$

$$\frac{\omega^2}{k^2} D_{NN}^R(k, \omega) = D_{JJ,L}^R(k, \omega)$$



Euclidean correlators:

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$$G^{00}(k, \tau) = \int d^3x e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \langle J_E^0(x, \tau) J_E^0(0, 0) \rangle = -D_{NN}(k, -i\tau) = - \int_0^{\infty} d\omega \sigma_{NN}(k, \omega) K(\tau, \omega, T)$$

$$G^{ij}(k, \tau) = \int d^3x e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \langle J_E^i(x, \tau) J_E^j(0, 0) \rangle = D_{JJ}^{ij}(k, -i\tau) = \int_0^{\infty} d\omega \sigma_{JJ}^{ij}(k, \omega) K(\tau, \omega, T)$$

$$K(\tau, \omega, T) = \frac{\cosh(\omega(\tau - 1/(2T)))}{\sinh(\omega/(2T))}$$

Correlators and diffusion

$$t_{\text{tran}} \sim M/T^2 \gg 1/T$$

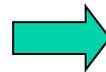


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$$\frac{dx^i}{dt} = \frac{p^i}{M}, \quad \frac{dp^i}{dt} = \xi^i(t) - \eta p^i,$$

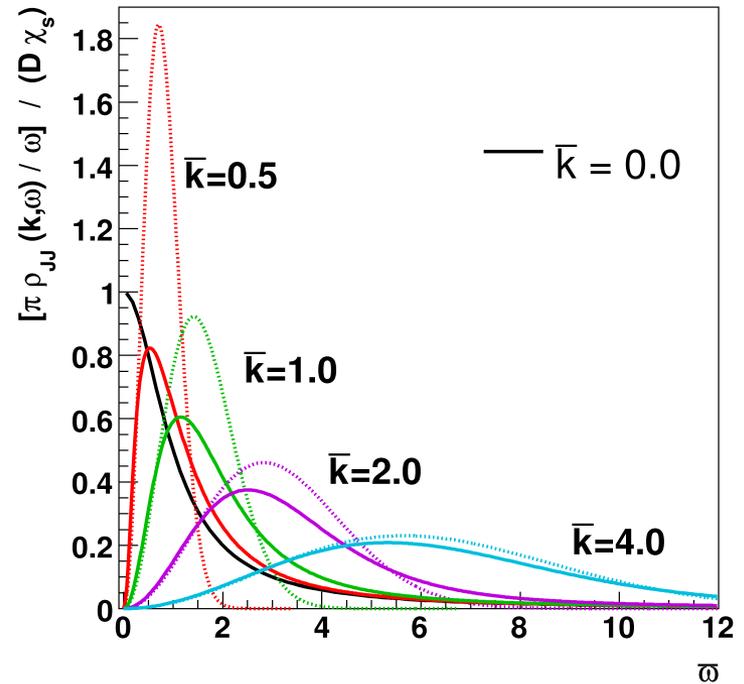
$$\langle \xi^i(t) \xi^j(t') \rangle = \kappa \delta^{ij} \delta(t - t')$$

$$\eta = \frac{\kappa}{2MT}, \quad D = \frac{T}{M\eta}$$



$$t \gg 1/\eta : \partial_t N(x, t) + D \nabla^2 N(x, t) = 0$$

$$\bar{k} = kD\sqrt{M/T}, \quad \bar{\omega} = \omega D(M/T)$$



$k \ll \eta\sqrt{M/T} :$

$$D_{NN}^R(k, \omega) = \frac{\chi D k^2}{-i\omega + k^2 D} - \frac{\chi D k^2}{-i\omega + \eta}$$

$$\sigma_{NN}(k = 0, \omega) = \chi \omega \delta(\omega)$$

$$\sigma_{JJ}(k = 0, \omega) = \chi \omega \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{T}{M} \frac{\eta}{\omega^2 + \eta^2}$$

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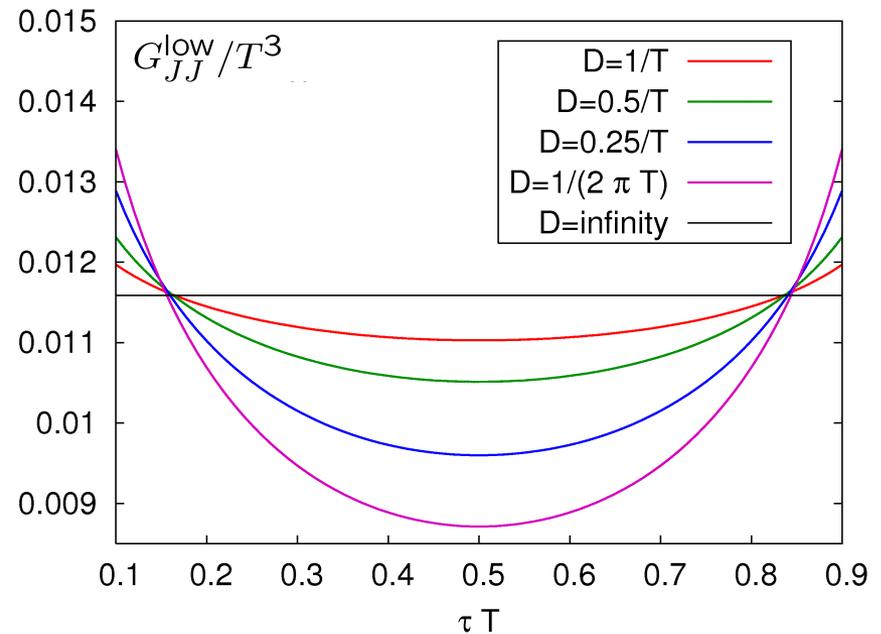
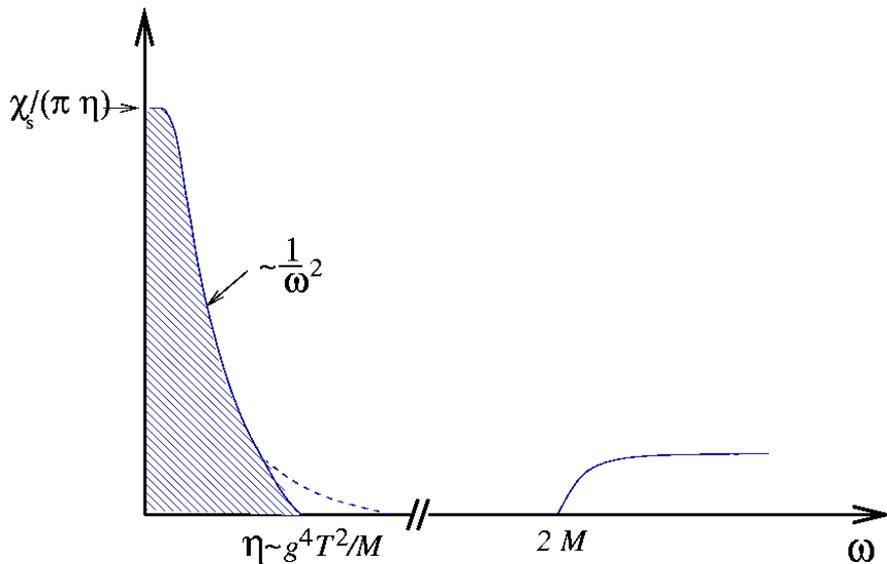
Transport contribution to the Euclidean correlators

Interactions smear out the $\chi\omega\delta(\omega)$ term
width $\sim \eta$

valid only for $\omega < \eta \ll T$ but
 $K(\omega, \tau, T) - \frac{2T}{\omega}$ has support for $\omega \sim T$

$G_{JJ}^{\text{low}}(\tau) \neq \text{const}$ but has a small curvature around $\tau = 1/(2T)$

$$\sigma_{JJ}^{\text{low}}(\omega) = \chi\omega \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{T}{M} \frac{\eta}{\omega^2 + \eta^2}$$



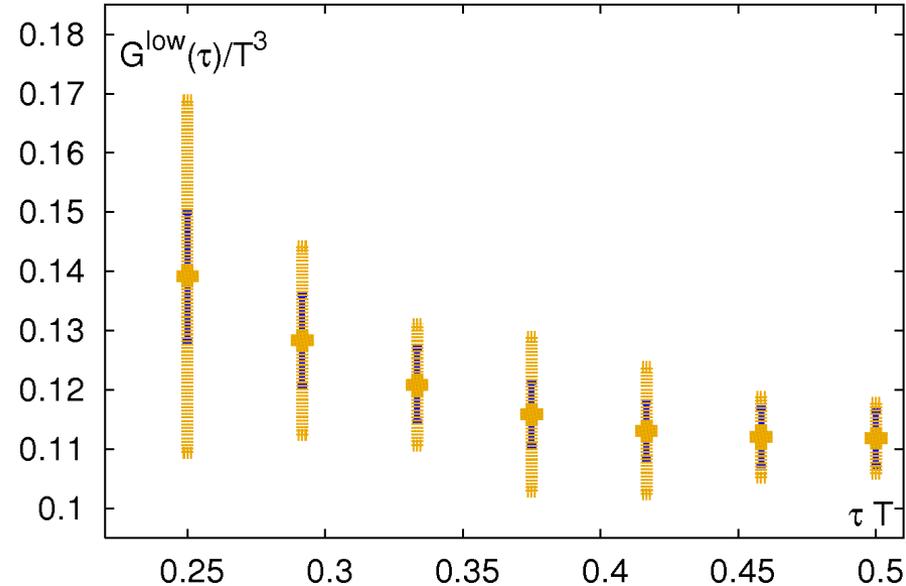
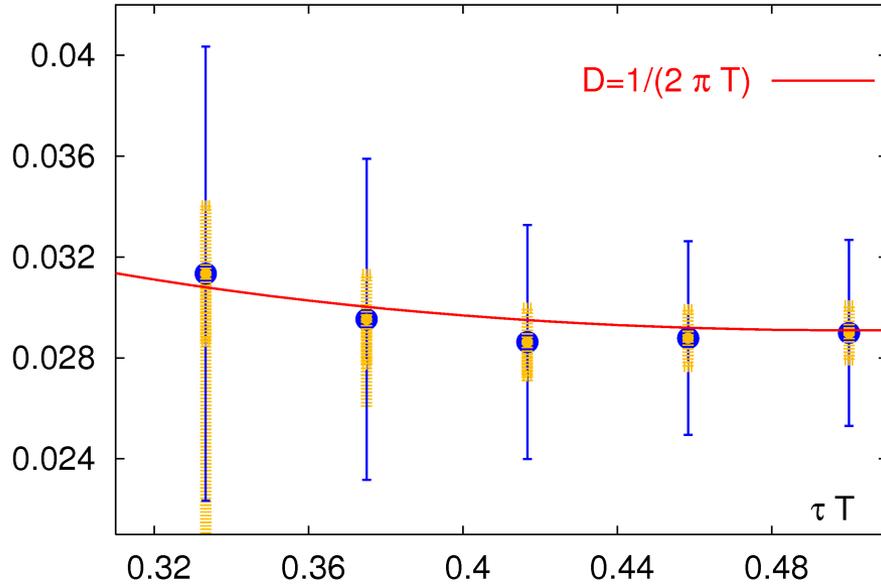
Estimating the zero mode contribution

$$G^{\text{low}}(\tau, T) = G(\tau, T) - G_{\text{rec}}(\tau, T)$$

vector

$1.5T_c$

axial-vector



The curvature of $G_i^{\text{low}}(\tau, T)$ is governed by heavy quark diffusion

No diffusion ($D = \infty \leftrightarrow \eta = 0$): $G_i^{\text{low}} = \text{const} = T\chi_i(T)$

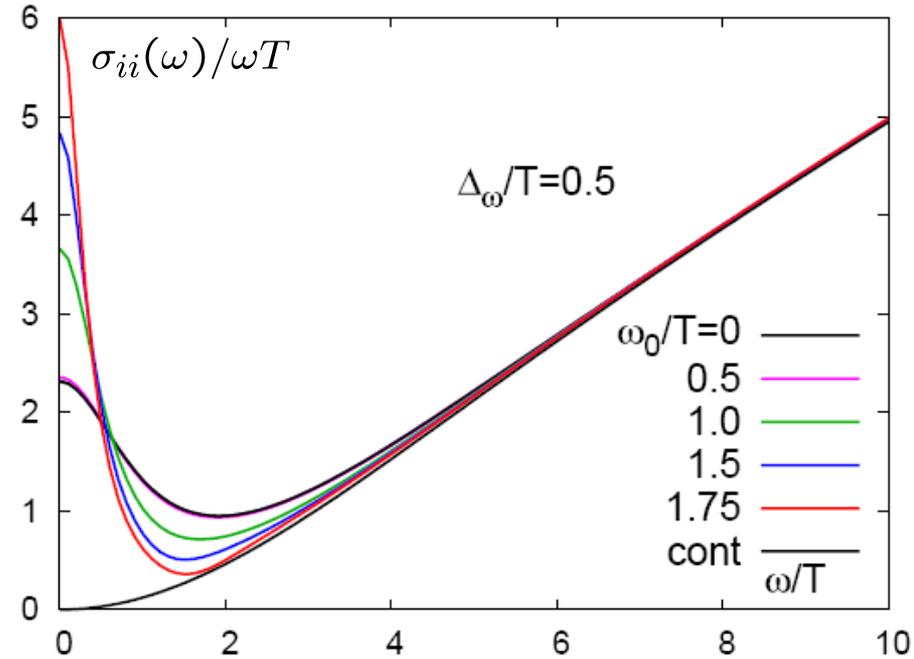
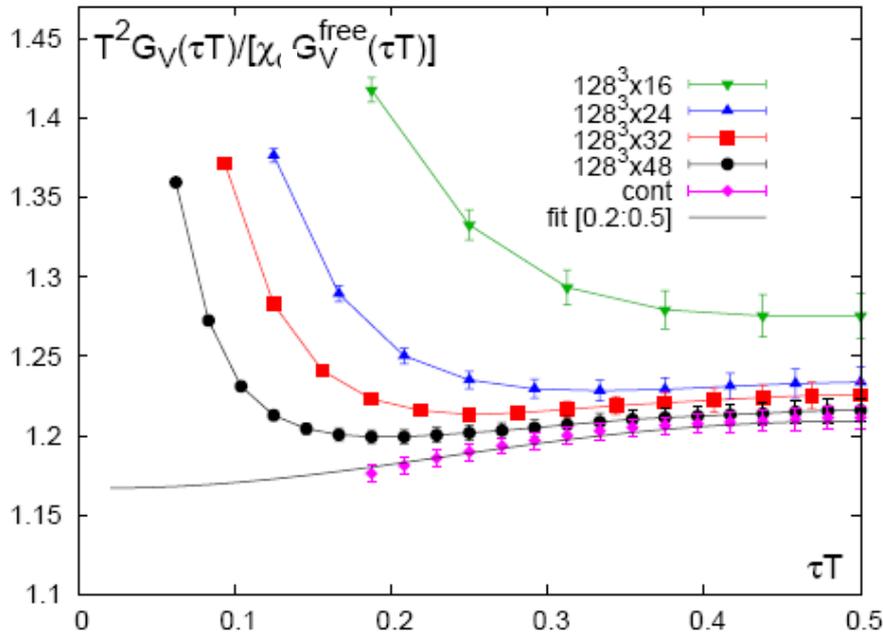
$G_i^{\text{low}}(\tau, T)$ is τ -independent within errors and

$\chi_i(T) \simeq G_i^{\text{low}}(\tau = 1/(2T), T)$

Lattice calculations of the vector spectral functions

Ding et al, PRD 83 (11) 034504

Isotropic Wilson gauge action, quenched non-perturbatively improved clover fermion action on $128^3 \times N_\tau$ lattices, $T = 1.45T_c$, $m_q^{\overline{MS}}(2\text{GeV}) = 0.1/T$, $N_\tau = 24, 32, 48$ ($a^{-1} = 9.4 - 18.8\text{GeV}$)



$$\sigma_{ii}(\omega) = \chi^{cBW} \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\omega \Gamma / 2}{\omega^2 + (\Gamma/2)^2} + \frac{3}{4\pi^2} (1+k) \omega^2 \tanh(\omega/4T) \Theta(\omega_0, \Delta_\omega),$$

$$\Theta(\omega_0, \Delta_\omega) = (1 + e^{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)/\omega \Delta_\omega})^{-1}$$

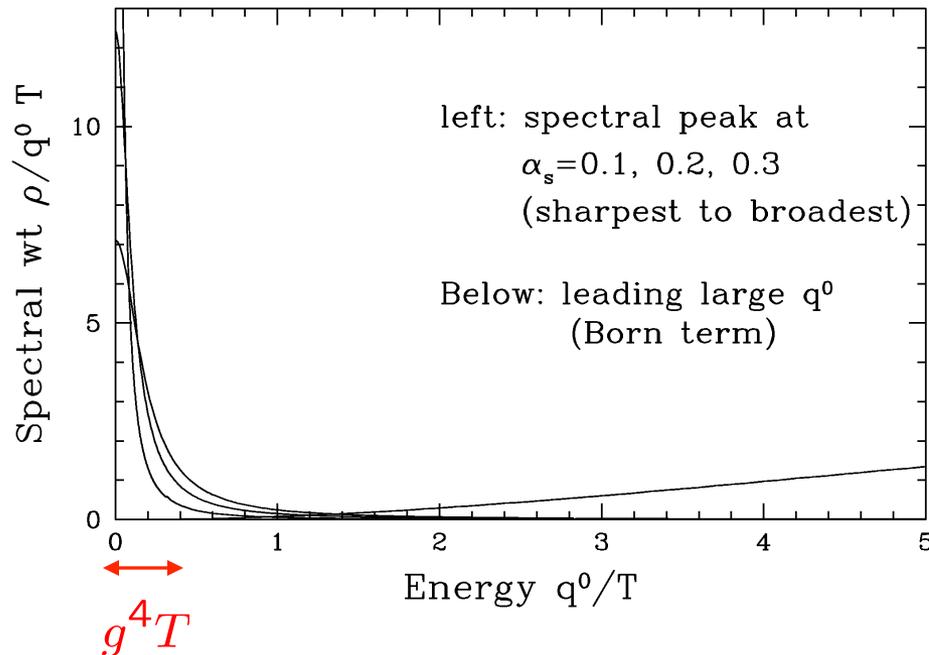
Fit parameters : c_{BW} , Γ , k

Different choices of : ω_0 , Δ_ω

Strongly coupled or weakly coupled QGP ?

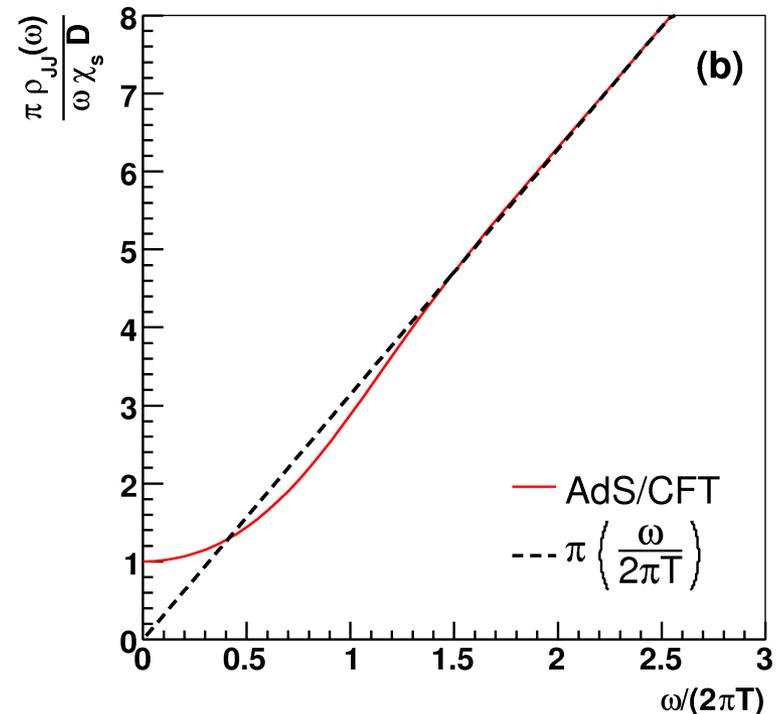
Weak coupling calculation of the
vector current spectral function in QCD

Moore, Robert, hep-ph/0607172



vector current correlator in
N=4 SUSY at strong coupling

Teaney, PRD74 (06) 045025

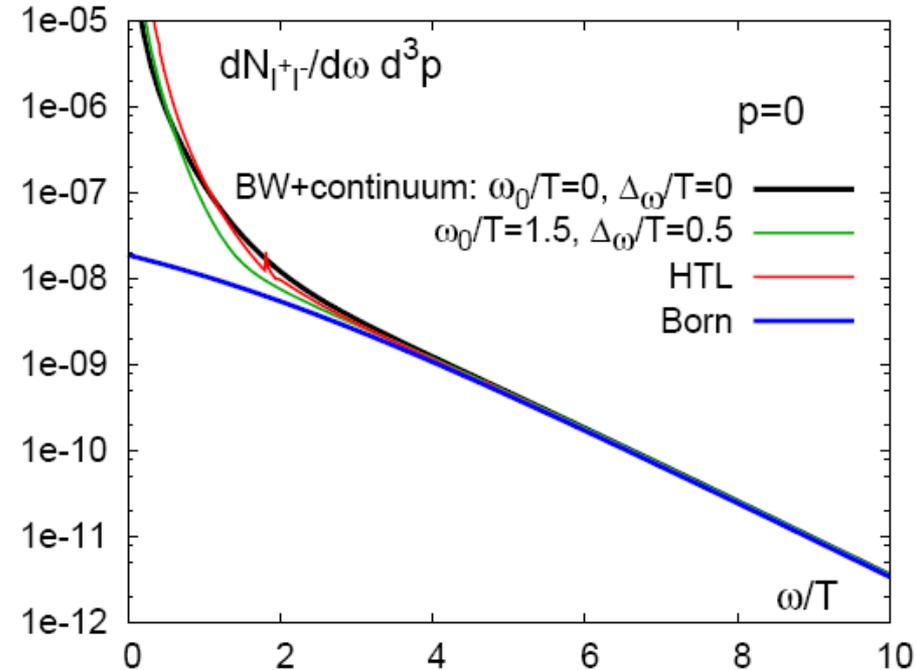
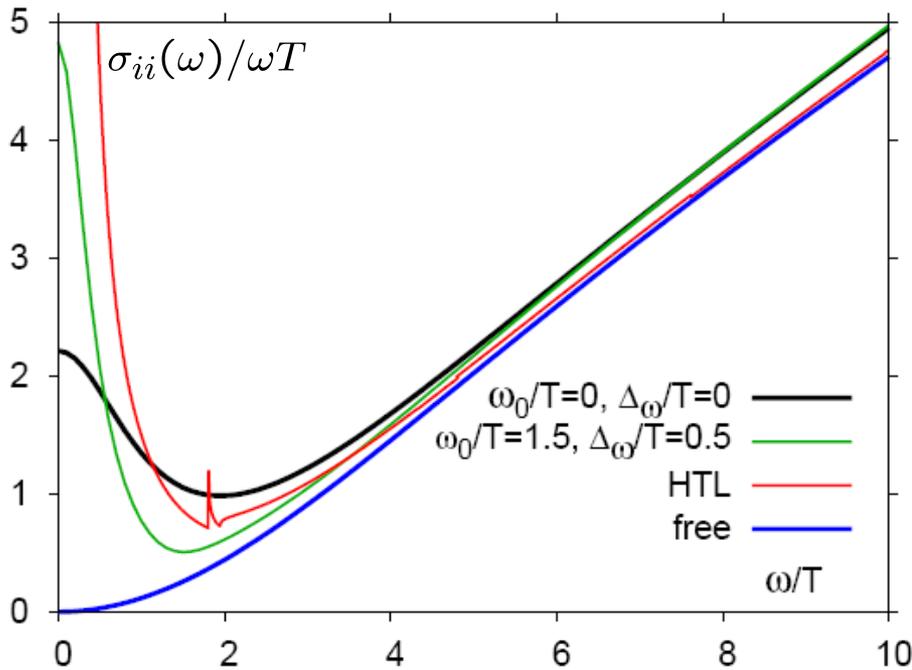


lattice results are closer to the weakly coupled QGP

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- The HTL resummed perturbative result diverges for $\omega \rightarrow 0$ limit
- The lattice results show significant enhancement over the LO (Born) result for small ω
- The lattice result is HTL result for $2 < \omega/T < 4$ but is much smaller for $\omega/T < 2$