Lattice study of QCD phase diagram in (B, T, μ) space

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QCD phase diagram



Magnetic fields in nature









Max permanent magnet	1.25 T
Magnetic field to levitate a frog	16 T
Human produced pulsed magnetic field	$2.8\times10^3~\text{T}$
Magnetars	$10^8 - 10^{11}$ T



Heavy ion collisions

 $10^{14} \mathrm{T} \sim m_\pi^2$

Wikipedia

QCD and Magnetic Field



[P.Costa, M.Ferreira, C. Providência, 2018]

Can be studied in effective models What can Lattice tell us about the phase diagram in μ , B, T?

Lattice QCD



- (Euclidean) path integral: $Z = \int DA_{\mu}D\bar{\psi}D\psi e^{-S[\bar{\psi},\psi,A_{\mu}]}$
- Discretize it
- Calculate using Monte Carlo methods

Lattice QCD in T - B plane



Magnetic Catalysis

[Gusynin V., Miransky V., Shovkovy I., 1994]

- Inverse Magnetic Catalysis
- CEP?







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[G.Endrodi, 2015]
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Lattice QCD in $T - \mu$ plane



• Curvature of pseudocritical line $T_c(\mu_B) = T_c(0) - A_2\mu_B^2 + O(\mu_B^4)$



[R. Bellwied et al., 2015]

[HotQCD, 2018]

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u, d, s quarks

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Observables:

- ▶ Light quark chiral condensate $\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle_l^r \Leftrightarrow$ Chiral symmetry breaking/restoration
- Polyakov loop $L^r \Leftrightarrow \text{Confinement/Deconfinement}$

Chiral phase transition vs $\mu_I/\pi T$



Chiral thermal width



 $\delta T_c^{\mathrm{ch}}(\mu_B, B) = \delta T_c^{\mathrm{ch}}(0, B) - \delta A_2^{\mathrm{ch}}(B) \mu_B^2 + O(\mu_B^4)$

Critical temperature and width of the chiral crossover



Confining crossover, critical temperature T_c



Confining crossover, width δT_c



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Chiral and deconfining crossover at real μ_B



Results and conclusions

- QCD phase diagram with nonzero T, eB, μ
- Simulations with imaginary $\mu_u = \mu_d = i\mu_I$, $\mu_s = 0$
- Critical temperature: mild interplay between eB and μ_B :
 - Inverse Magnetic Catalysis
 - Mild dependence of curvature A_2 on eB, peak $eB \approx 0.6 \text{GeV}^2$
- Width of the transition:
 - CEP at eB = 0: $(T, \mu_B) \sim (100(25), 800(140))$ MeV
 - Magnetic field makes the transition sharper (chiral and deconfining transitions merge at large eB) at μ_I, small μ_B
 - Chiral thermal width (Behaviour changes at $eB_c \approx 0.6 \text{GeV}^2$):
 - $eB < eB_c$: δT_c^{ch} slightly decreases with μ_B
 - $eB > eB_c$: δT_c^{ch} increases with μ_B
 - Baryonic matter always weakens the deconfining crossover



Backup

Details of lattice setup

- Lattice size: 6×24^3 , 6×32^3 , 8×32^3
- Stout improved staggered $N_f = 2 + 1$ fermions
- Tree level Symanzik gauge action
- Physical masses of u, d, s quarks

▶
$$q_u = 2/3e$$
, $q_d = q_s = -1/3e$

▶ Data for eB = 0 are taken from [C. Bonati et al., 2014]

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• O(100) configurations per each T, μ_I , eB

Obserbables and renormalization

Light quark chiral condensate:

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{I} = \frac{T}{V} \frac{\partial \log Z}{\partial m_{I}} = \langle \bar{u}u \rangle + \langle \bar{d}d \rangle$$
$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{I} = \frac{\left[\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{I} - \frac{2m_{I}}{m_{s}} \langle \bar{s}s \rangle\right] (T, eB, \mu)}{\left[\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{I} - \frac{2m_{I}}{m_{s}} \langle \bar{s}s \rangle\right] (0, 0, 0)}$$

Polyakov loop ($\langle L \rangle = exp(-F_Q/T)$):

$$L(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{3V} \operatorname{tr} \prod_{\tau=1}^{N_{\tau}} U_4(\vec{x}, \tau)$$

Renormalized with GF [P.Petreczky and H.-P. Schadler, 2016]

$$L^{r}(\vec{x}) = L(\vec{x})[V_{t=f}(x,\mu)]$$

Chiral condensate



Inflection point:

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{I}^{r}(T) = A_{1} + B_{1} \arctan\left(\frac{T - T_{c}}{\delta T_{c}}\right)$$

- eB grows, T_c decreases
- Large eB transition is sharper, but still a crossover

Polyakov loop



$$\langle L \rangle^{r}(T) = A_{2} - B_{2} \arctan\left(\frac{T - T_{c}}{\delta T_{c}}\right)$$

Thermodynamic properties of heavy quarks

$$|\langle P
angle| = e^{-\Omega_Q/T}$$

 $d\Omega_Q = -S_Q dT - N_Q d\mu - M_Q dB$

Single-quark entropy



Single-quark magnetization



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