

Nonequilibrium effects in Polyakov loop extended chiral fluid dynamics

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The phase diagram of QCD



The phase diagram of QCD



Symmetries and order parameters in QCD

 $SU(2)_V \times SU(2)_A$ chiral symmetry

- explicitly broken by m_q
- approximate symmetry for small m_q
- order parameter:
 chiral condensate (q
 qq), sigma field σ
- Z_{N_c} center symmetry of $SU(N_c)$ gauge group
 - only exact in pure gauge theory
 - approximate symmetry for large m_q
 - order parameter for confinement-deconfinement phase transition: Polyakov loop $\ell = \frac{1}{N_c} \langle tr_c \mathcal{P} \rangle_{\beta}$ with $\mathcal{P} = P \exp \left(ig_{QCD} \int_0^{\beta} d\tau A_0 \right)$

Phase transitions



first order phase transition

- two degenerate minima at T_c
- phase coexistence

nucleation

- supercooled, $\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \sigma^2} > 0$
- large fluctuations
- bubble formation and growth

spinodal decomposition

- unstable, $\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \sigma^2} < 0$
- small fluctuations
- phase separation uniformly

Phase transitions



critical point

- $m_{\sigma} = 0$
- divergent correlation length

critical phenomena

- divergent susceptibilities
- critical slowing down
- Iong-range fluctuations

The search for the critical point in heavy-ion collisions

• event-by-event fluctuations of multiplicity, mean p_T

$$\langle \Delta n_{\rho} \Delta n_{k} \rangle = v_{\rho}^{2} \delta_{\rho k} + \frac{1}{m_{\sigma}^{2}} \frac{G^{2}}{T} \frac{v_{\rho}^{2} v_{k}^{2}}{\omega_{\rho} \omega_{k}}$$

(Stephanov, Rajagopal and Shuryak, PRD 60 (1999))



(K. Grebieszkow, NA49 collaboration Nucl. Phys. A 830 (2009))

• higher cumulants even more sensitive, e. g. $\kappa_4 \sim \xi^7$

(M. A. Stephanov, Phys. Rev. Lett. 102 (2009))

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system size dependence



Chiral fluid dynamics with a Polyakov loop



- quarks: heat bath in local thermal equilibrium, locally interacting with:
- σ : mesonic field, propagated via Langevin equation
- l: Polyakov loop, coupled to heat bath
- dynamical, self-consistent and energy-conserving
- nonequilibrium effects
- (I. N. Mishustin and O. Scavenius, Phys. Rev. Lett. 83 (1999),
- K. Paech, H. Stöcker and A. Dumitru, Phys. Rev. C 68 (2003),
- M. Nahrgang, S. Leupold, C. H. and M. Bleicher, Phys. Rev. C 84 (2011))

The Polyakov loop extended linear- σ -model

The Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \overline{q} \left[i \left(\gamma^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} - i g_{QCD} \gamma^{0} A_{0} \right) - g \sigma \right] q + \frac{1}{2} \left(\partial_{\mu} \sigma \right)^{2} \\ - U(\sigma) - \mathcal{U}(\ell, \overline{\ell})$$

with the mesonic potential

$$U(\sigma) = \frac{\lambda^2}{4} \left(\sigma^2 - \nu^2\right)^2 - h_q \sigma - U_0$$

and the Polyakov loop potential

$$\frac{\mathcal{U}}{T^{4}}\left(\ell,\bar{\ell}\right) = -\frac{b_{2}(T)}{4}\left(\left|\ell\right|^{2} + \left|\bar{\ell}\right|^{2}\right) - \frac{b_{3}}{6}\left(\ell^{3} + \bar{\ell}^{3}\right) + \frac{b_{4}}{16}\left(\left|\ell\right|^{2} + \left|\bar{\ell}\right|^{2}\right)^{2}$$

(C. Ratti, M. A. Thaler, W. Weise, Phys. Rev. D 73 (2006), B.-J. Schaefer, J. M. Pawlowski and J. Wambach, Phys. Rev. D 76 (2007))

Thermodynamics

grand canonical potential at $\mu_B = 0$, $\ell = \overline{\ell}$, mean-field

$$\Omega_{\bar{q}q} = -4N_f T \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \ln\left[1 + 3\ell \mathrm{e}^{-\beta E} + 3\ell \mathrm{e}^{-2\beta E} + \mathrm{e}^{-3\beta E}\right]$$

effective potential

$$V_{\text{eff}}\left(\sigma,\ell,T\right) = U\left(\sigma\right) + \mathcal{U}\left(\ell\right) + \Omega_{\bar{q}q}\left(\sigma,\ell,T\right)$$



The equations of motion

$$\partial_{\mu}\partial^{\mu}\sigma + \eta_{\sigma}\partial_{t}\sigma + \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial\sigma} = \xi_{\sigma}$$
with damping coefficient η_{σ} for $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{0}$

$$\eta_{\sigma} = \frac{12g^{2}}{\pi} \left[1 - 2n_{\text{F}} \left(\frac{m_{\sigma}}{2} \right) \right] \frac{\left(\frac{m_{\sigma}^{2}}{4} - m_{q}^{2} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{m_{\sigma}^{2}} \int_{1}^{\frac{2}{5}} \int_{1}^{\frac{$$

and the dissipation-fluctuation theorem

$$\langle \xi_{\sigma}(t)\xi_{\sigma}(t')\rangle = \frac{1}{V}\delta(t-t')m_{\sigma}\eta_{\sigma}\coth\left(\frac{m_{\sigma}}{2T}\right)$$

(M. Nahrgang, S. Leupold, C. H. and M. Bleicher, Phys. Rev. C 84 (2011))

The equations of motion

Allow for dynamical evolution of the Polyakov loop

$$\mathcal{L}
ightarrow \mathcal{L} + rac{N_c}{g_{QCD}^2} |\partial_\mu \ell|^2 T^2$$

and add a phenomenological damping term $\eta_\ell \sim 1/fm$

(A. Dumitru and R. D. Pisarski, Nucl. Phys. A 698 (2002))

$$\frac{2N_c}{g_{QCD}^2}\partial_{\mu}\partial^{\mu}\ell T^2 + \eta_{\ell}\partial_{t}\ell + \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial\ell} = \xi_{\ell}$$
$$\langle \xi_{\ell}(t)\xi_{\ell}(t')\rangle = \frac{1}{V}\delta(t-t')2\eta_{\ell}T$$

Thermodynamic consistency currently under investigation ...

Nucleation and phase coexistence

correlate stochastic noise field over volume of 1 fm³:



quench first order scenario from 177 MeV to 169 MeV, phase coexistence

Nucleation and phase coexistence

bubble-

- formation
- growth
- melting



evolution of average value of ℓ

Propagation of the quark fluid

ideal relativistic fluid dynamics

$$\partial_{\mu}\left(T_{q}^{\mu\nu}+T_{\sigma}^{\mu\nu}+T_{\ell}^{\mu\nu}\right)=0$$

equation of state e = e(p) from

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\Theta}(\sigma,\ell,T) &= T \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\rho}(\sigma,\ell,T)}{\partial T} - \boldsymbol{\rho}(\sigma,\ell,T) \\ \boldsymbol{\rho}(\sigma,\ell,T) &= -\Omega_{\bar{\boldsymbol{q}}\boldsymbol{q}}(\sigma,\ell,T) \end{aligned}$$

investigate two scenarios:

- fluid and fields in a box, temperature quench
- fluid dynamic expansion of a hot and plasma

Box: Relaxation to equilibrium



Box: Fluctuations at the critical point



long-range fluctuations at the CP over space and time

The expanding plasma





- σ-field: large barrier, different damping
- Polyakov loop: small barrier, equal damping

Effects on the temperature: Reheating



critical point

first order phase transition



supercooled phase

Nonequilibrium fluctuations







$$\begin{array}{lll} \langle \Delta \sigma \rangle & = & \sqrt{\langle \left(\sigma - \sigma_{eq} \right)^2 \rangle} \\ \langle \Delta \ell \rangle & = & \sqrt{\langle \left(\ell - \ell_{eq} \right)^2 \rangle} \end{array}$$

- enhanced fluctuations at the first order PT
- particle production

Summary and Outlook

Summary

- Polyakov loop extended chiral fluid dynamics model
- nonequilibrium effects visible:
 - domain formation and growth
 - supercooling and reheating
 - critical slowing down
 - large fluctuations at first order phase transition

Outlook

- go to finite baryo-chemical potential µ_B
- include pions and study event-by-event fluctuations (Marlene Nahrgang)
- propagate quarks by Vlasov equation (Christian Wesp, Carsten Greiner)

Thermodynamics



The equations of motion

The influence functional

- integrate out the quarks in a path integral over Keldysh contour

$$S_{\mathrm{IF}}\left[ar{\sigma},\Delta\sigma
ight] = \int \mathrm{d}^4 x D(x) \Delta\sigma(x) + rac{i}{2} \int \mathrm{d}^4 x \int \mathrm{d}^4 y \Delta\sigma(x) \mathcal{N}(x,y) \Delta\sigma(y) \,,$$

with $\Delta \sigma = \sigma^+ - \sigma^-$ and $\bar{\sigma} = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma^+ + \sigma^-)$ on the CTP contour



The equations of motion

Damping kernel

$$D(x) = ig^2 \int_{y_0}^{x_0} d^4 y \bar{\sigma}(y) \left[S^< (x - y) S^> (y - x) - S^> (x - y) S^< (y - x)
ight]$$

and noise kernel

$$\mathcal{N}(x,y) = -\frac{1}{2}g^2 \left[S^{<}(x-y)S^{>}(y-x) + S^{>}(x-y)S^{<}(y-x)\right]$$

determine equation of motion

$$-\frac{\delta S_{cl}[\bar{\sigma}]}{\delta \bar{\sigma}} - D = \xi \,,$$

$$\langle \xi(\boldsymbol{x})\xi(\boldsymbol{y})\rangle = \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{y}).$$

The expanding plasma: initial conditions



Temperature: Woods-Saxon distribution



 σ -field:

 $\sigma = \sigma_{eq}(T) + \delta\sigma(T)$

thermal distribution, corr. 1fm

$$\ell = \ell_{eq}(\sigma, T)$$

 $e = e(\sigma, \ell, T)$

Nucleation: critical bubble profiles

minimize free energy with respect to the fields σ and ℓ

$$\mathcal{F}(\sigma,\ell,T) = \int \mathrm{d}^3 x \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\nabla \sigma \right)^2 + \frac{N_c}{g_{QCD}^2} \left(\nabla \ell \right)^2 T^2 + V_{\text{eff}}(\sigma,\ell,T) \right]$$



size of critical bubbles increases significantly near transition temperature

(cf. Scavenius, Dumitru, Fraga, Lenaghan and Jackson, Phys. Rev. D 63 (2001))