

# Analytic Properties of the Quark Density in $QC_2D$ and the Sign Problem

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Our goal:

To find the best parametrization of the quark density  
for its analytical continuation  
from imaginary to real quark chemical potential

## Outline

- 1 Simulation settings
- 2 Analytical continuation of the quark density
- 3 Cluster Expansion Model (CEM) vs Rational Fraction Model (RFM)
- 4 CEM and the fugacity expansion
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## Parameters of simulation

- Tree-level improved Symanzik gauge action
- Staggered fermions with a diquark source ( diquark coupling  $\lambda = 0.00125$ )

Sommer parameter  $r_0 = 0.468\text{fm}$

Lattice spacing  $a \approx 0.062\text{ fm}$

Lattice size  $L \approx 1.74\text{ fm}$

$am_q = 0.0125$ ;  $m_\pi \approx 800\text{ MeV}$

$N_c = 2$ ,  $N_f = 2$

$N_s^3 \times N_t$  lattices:  $N_s = 28$ ;

$N_t = 14, 12$

$T = 227, 265\text{ MeV}$

$$\theta = \frac{\mu_q}{T} = \frac{\mu'_q + \imath\mu''_q}{T} = \theta_R + \imath\theta_I$$

$$0 \leq \theta_I \leq \frac{\pi}{N_c}, \quad 0 < \mu'_q < 600\text{ MeV}$$

We use  $B = \frac{n_q V}{N_c}$  instead of  $n_q$

$B$  is the baryon number in the lattice volume,

$$\begin{aligned} B(\theta) &= \frac{1}{N_c} \frac{\partial \ln Z_{GC}(\theta)}{\partial \theta} \\ &= \frac{N_f}{4N_c Z_{GC}} \int \mathcal{D}U e^{-S_G} (\det M)^{N_f/8} \text{tr} \left[ M^{-1} \frac{\partial M}{\partial \theta} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where  $M = D^\dagger(\mu_q)D(\mu_q) + \lambda^2$  and

$$Z_{GC}(\theta) = \int \mathcal{D}U e^{-S_G} (\det M)^{N_f/8} \quad (1)$$

is the Grand Canonical (GC) partition function.

## Properties of the grand canonical partition function

$$Z_{GC}(\theta, T, V) = \sum_n \langle n | \exp \left( \frac{-\hat{H} + \mu \hat{Q}}{T} \right) | n \rangle \quad (2)$$

meets the fugacity expansion, that is the Laurent series in  $\xi = e^\theta$ :

$$Z_{GC}(\theta, T, V) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} Z_C(kN_c, T, V) e^{kN_c \theta}, \quad (3)$$

it involves powers of  $\xi^{N_c}$  owing to the [Roberge-Weiss symmetry](#)

$$Z_{GC}(\theta_l, T, V) = Z_{GC}(\theta_l + 2\pi/N_c, T, V), \quad (4)$$

$$\mathbf{C}\text{-parity} \implies Z_{GC}(\theta_l, T, V) = Z_{GC}(-\theta_l, T, V)$$

- Problem:

The baryon number  $B(\theta)$  cannot be determined in lattice QCD at  $\theta = \theta_R$  because of the sign problem.

- Solution:

Find it at  $\theta = i\theta_I$  and then employ analytical continuation in  $\theta$

- Problem in this way:

Analytical continuation in  $\theta$  depends on parametrization of  $B(\theta)$

- Proposed solution:

Test different parametrizations in the case of  $QC_2D$ , where  $B(\theta)$  can be simulated at both  $\theta = \theta_R$  and  $\theta = i\theta_I$

## Naive analytic continuation

Assuming that

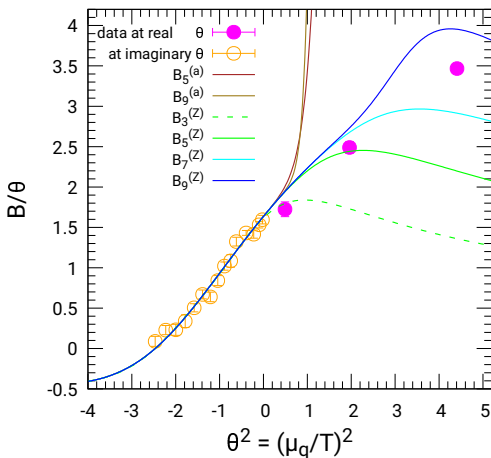
$$B(\theta) \Big|_{\theta_R=0} = i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(nN_c \theta_I), \quad (5)$$

we arrive at

$$B(\theta) \Big|_{\theta_I=0} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sinh(nN_c \theta_R) \quad (6)$$

Limitations:

- $a_n$  are extracted from a fit over the segment  $0 \leq \theta_I \leq \frac{\pi}{N_c}$   
 $\implies$  only a few of  $a_n$  can be determined.
- Series (6) converges only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|a_{n+1}|}{|a_n|} = r$  exists  
and  $|\theta_R| < \frac{-\ln r}{N_c}$



$T = 227 \text{ MeV}$

$$B_J^{(a)} = \frac{2 \sum_{n=1}^J n Z_n \sin(n N_c \theta_l)}{1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^J Z_n \cos(n N_c \theta_l)}$$



# Rational Fraction Model (RFM)

[G. A. Almasi, B. Friman, K. Morita, P. M. Lo, and K. Redlich 2019]

$$B(\theta_l) \Big|_{\theta_R=0} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^{\text{RFM}} \sin(kN_c \theta_l) \quad (7)$$

$$a_n^{\text{RFM}} = (-1)^{n+1} d \frac{1 + \frac{\pi^2(N_c^2 - 1)}{6} n^2}{n^3(1 + n\kappa)}. \quad (8)$$

$a_n^{\text{RFM}} \sim \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2}$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty \implies$  nonanalytic behavior:

$$B(\theta) \sim \left( \theta_l - \frac{\pi}{N_c} \right) \ln \left( \frac{\pi}{N_c} - \theta_l \right) \quad \text{as} \quad \theta_l \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{N_c} \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_{RFM}(\theta) = d \left\{ \left( \frac{\pi^2(N_c^2 - 1)}{6} + \kappa^2 \right) \left[ \frac{\theta N_c}{2} - \right. \right. & \quad (10) \\
 \left. - \left( \beta \left( \frac{1}{\kappa} \right) - \frac{\kappa}{2} \right) \sinh \left( \frac{\theta N_c}{\kappa} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\theta N_c} dt \tanh \frac{t}{2} \sinh \frac{\theta N_c - t}{\kappa} \right] & \\
 \left. + \frac{\pi^2}{12} \left( \theta N_c + \frac{(\theta N_c)^3}{\pi^2} \right) - \kappa \int_0^{\theta N_c} \ln \left( 2 \cosh \frac{t}{2} \right) dt \right\} &
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\beta(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \psi \left( \frac{z+1}{2} \right) - \psi \left( \frac{z}{2} \right) \right), \quad \psi(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(z)} \frac{d\Gamma(z)}{dz}$$

# Cluster Expansion Model (CEM)

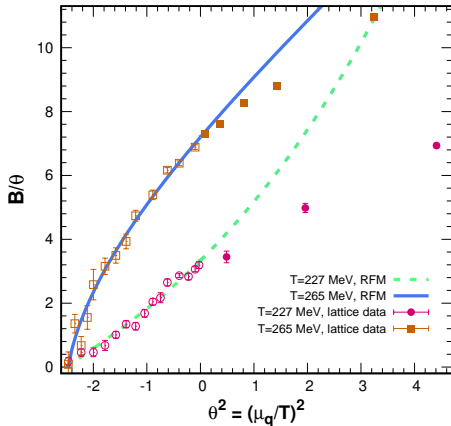
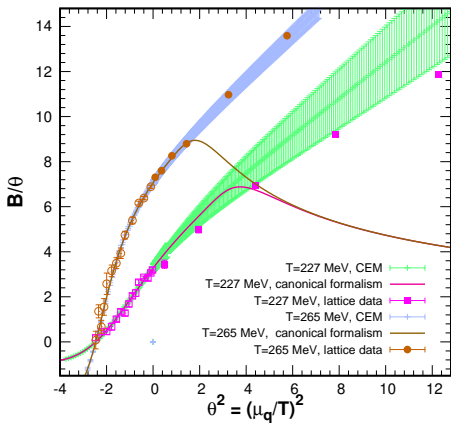
[V. Vovchenko, J. Steinheimer, O. Philipsen and H. Stoecker 2018]

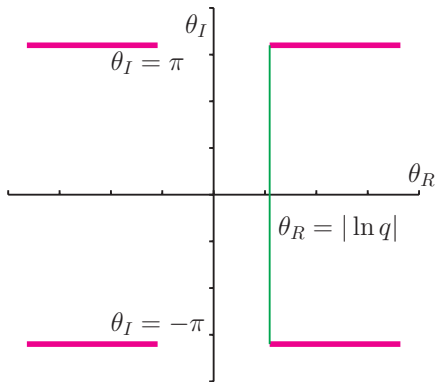
$$B(\theta_l) \Big|_{\theta_R=0} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^{\text{CEM}} \sin(kN_c \theta_l) \quad (11)$$

$$b_k = (-1)^{k+1} \frac{b q^{k-1}}{k} \left[ 1 + \frac{6}{\pi^2(N_c^2 - 1)k^2} \right] \quad (12)$$

$$B = \frac{b}{2q} \left\{ \ln \frac{1 + q \exp(\theta N_c)}{1 + q \exp(-\theta N_c)} + \frac{6}{\pi^2(N_c^2 - 1)} \left[ \text{Li}_3(-q e^{-\theta N_c}) - \text{Li}_3(-q e^{\theta N_c}) \right] \right\} . \quad (13)$$

# Comparison of the CEM and RFM with lattice data





$T < T_{RW}$ . Cuts in  $\theta$  plane of the CEM quark density.

Fugacity expansion

$$\frac{Z_{GC}(\theta, T, V)}{Z_C(0, T, V)} = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Z_n \left( e^{nN_c\theta} + e^{-nN_c\theta} \right) \quad (14)$$

provides a natural parametrization of  $B(\theta)$ ,

$$B(\theta) = \frac{-1}{N_c} \frac{\partial(T \ln Z)}{\partial \mu_q} = \frac{2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n Z_n \sinh(nN_c\theta)}{1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Z_n \cosh(nN_c\theta)} \quad (15)$$

$$B(\theta_l) \Big|_{\theta_R=0} = i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(nN_c\theta_l) \quad (16)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(nN_c\theta_l) = \frac{2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n Z_n \sin(nN_c\theta_l)}{1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Z_n \cos(nN_c\theta_l)} \quad (17)$$

Problem: Given  $a_n$ , find  $Z_n$

$$\text{Trigonometric identities} \implies \mathbf{a}_i = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} W_{ij} Z_j, \quad (18)$$

$$W_{jk} = 2j\delta_{jk} - \mathbf{a}_{j+k} + \mathbf{a}_{|j-k|} \cdot \text{sign}(k-j) \quad [\text{sign}(0) = 0]. \quad (19)$$

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{W}^{-1} \mathbf{a}. \quad (20)$$

$$Z_{GC}(\theta_l) = \exp \left( N_c \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{a_n}{2n} \left( \cos(nN_c \theta_l) - 1 \right) \right) \quad (21)$$

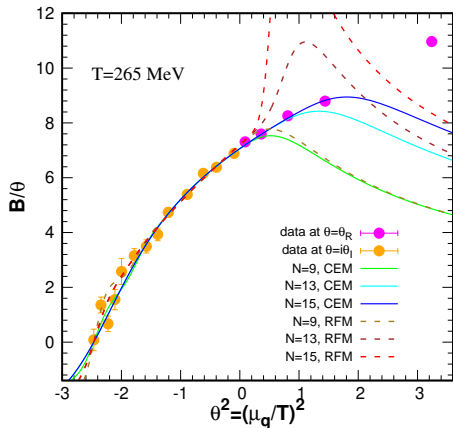
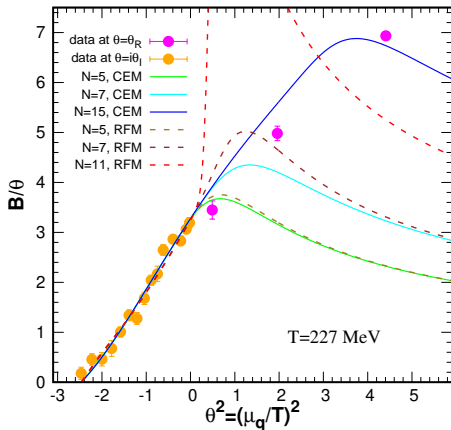
The inverse of the fugacity expansion has the form

$$Z_C(n, T, V) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta_l}{2\pi} e^{-in\theta_l} Z_{GC}(\theta_l, T, V), \quad (22)$$





# Comparison of the fugacity expansions using CEM and RFM



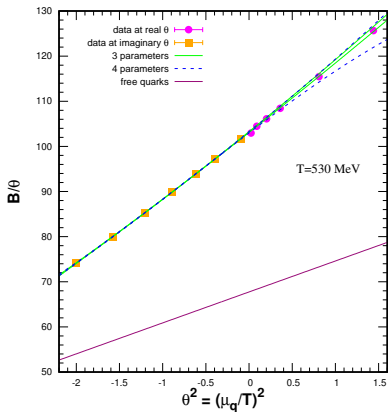
## Phenomenological significance

Partial probabilities have the form  $\mathcal{P}_n = \frac{Z_n e^{n\theta}}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} Z_j}$

In view of  $\mathcal{C}$ -Parity conservation,  $Z_n = Z_{-n}$ , one arrives at

$$\mu_B = \frac{T}{2n} \ln \left( \frac{\mathcal{P}_n}{\mathcal{P}_{-n}} \right)$$

- One can measure (in principle)  $\mu_B$  by measuring probabilities that the net baryon charge of the fireball equals  $n$  and  $-n$ .
- $n$ -Independence of experimental  $\mu_B$  measured by this method of provides a criterion of thermodynamical equilibrium.
- $Z_n$  can also be extracted from experiment



$T > T_{RW}$ . Functional dependence is the same as in the free case, however, the parameters differ from the free values.

## Conclusions

We have studied the analytical continuation of the quark density in  $QC_2D$  at  $T < T_{RW}$  using various parametrizations. It was found

theoretical framework of parametrization	Agreement of the respective analytical continuation with lattice data at real $\mu_q$
truncated Fourier series	bad
CEM	excellent
RFM	poor
the grand canonical approach with the CEM	good at $ \mu_q  < 320 \div 390$ MeV

Problem of negative canonical partition functions  $Z_C(n, T, V)$  calls for further work