# Nonperturbative heavy quarks and confinement in Coulomb gauge

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#### **Outline**

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#### Motivation

How can we set the physical scale in Yang-Mills theory?

- there's no experimental probe!
- Or, is there a simple connection between the gluon propagator and the hadron spectrum?
  - lattice: Wilson loops and the string tension
  - covariant gauges: perturbation theory
  - continuum Coulomb gauge?
     (perturbation theory and Wilson loops are difficult)

 $\Rightarrow$  heavy quarks

## Coulomb gauge

- $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$ , noncovariant ( $\vec{A}$  and  $A_0$  parts different)
- Gauss' law: total color charge is conserved and vanishing.
- Temporal gluon propagator

$$W_{00}^{ab}(k) = i\delta^{ab} \frac{D_{00}(\vec{k}^2)}{\vec{k}^2}$$

- (lattice) independent of energy
- (lattice) infrared enhanced, consistent with  $W \sim 1/\vec{k}^4$

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Generating functional (quark part)

$$Z[\overline{\chi}, \chi] = \int \mathcal{D}\Phi \exp\left\{i\mathcal{S} + i\int [\overline{\chi}q + \overline{q}\chi]\right\},$$
 
$$\mathcal{S} = \int \overline{q} \left[i\gamma^0 D_0 + i\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{D} - m\right] q$$

and decompose using  $P_{\pm} = (1 \pm \gamma^0)/2$ 

$$q = e^{-imx^0}[h+H], h = e^{imx^0}P_+q, H = e^{imx^0}P_-q.$$

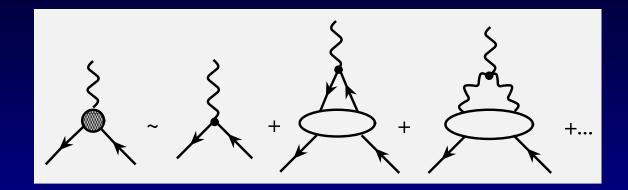
(Coulomb gauge) specific choice of heavy quark decomposition.

- H-dep:  $S \sim \overline{H}[2m + iD_0]H, \ \overline{h}[i\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{D}]H$
- Integrate out H, and restrict to leading order in 1/m, but: keep full sources  $\overline{\chi}$ ,  $\chi$  (unlike HQET).
- Functional formalism (DSes, STids) preserved but with different tree-level expressions!
- $S = \int \overline{h} [i\partial_0 + gT^a A_0^a] h$

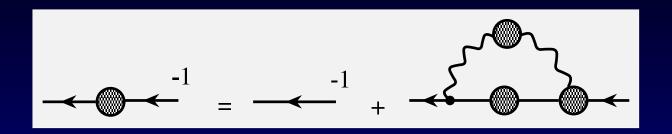
$$\Rightarrow \underline{\Gamma_{\overline{q}q0}^{(0)} = gT^a}, \, \Gamma_{\overline{q}qA}^{(0)} = \mathcal{O}(1/m).$$

• Only temporal components survive, spin decouples (hint: Gauss' law and charge conservation).

Spatial quark-gluon vertex DSe



Set (truncate) YM vertices to zero:  $\Gamma_{\overline{q}qA} = \mathcal{O}(1/m)$  (NB  $\Gamma_{000} = 0$  at tree-level). Temporal quark-gluon vertex STid reduces:



$$W_{\overline{q}q}(k) = \frac{-\imath}{[k_0 - m - I_r + \imath \varepsilon]}, \quad I_r = \frac{g^2 C_F}{2} \int_r \frac{d\vec{\omega} D_{00}(\vec{\omega}^2)}{\vec{\omega}^2}$$

- single pole (cf HQET)
- an IR enhanced  $D_{00}$ , gives a divergent  $I_r$ 
  - ⇒ quark self-energy diverges (no finite pole position)
- $\Gamma_{\overline{q}q0} = \Gamma_{\overline{q}q0}^{(0)}$ : rainbow truncation is exact

• antiquark:

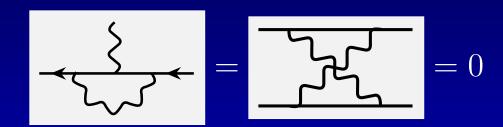
$$W_{q\overline{q}}(k) = \frac{-\imath}{[k_0 + m - I_r + \imath \varepsilon]}$$

- heavy quark decomposition splits the four spinor states (two are 1/m suppressed, the other two have single poles)
- the Feynman prescription is important

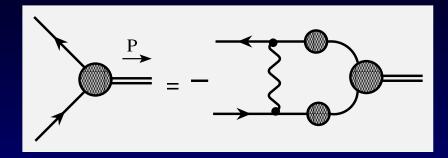
  all energy integrals reduce to  $2\pi i$  or zero, depending on the sign!

• eg. 
$$= 0$$
 (heavy theory is quenched)

- Question: complete the following phrase "rainbow-?"
  - this is a result of the AXWTI, or charge conservation(Gauss' law)
- Here, because of the Feynman prescription



• AXWTI is preserved, BSe is in ladder truncation!



• Quark-antiquark channel, pole energy as a function of separation:

$$P_0(x) = g^2 \int_r \frac{\vec{d} \vec{\omega} D_{00}(\vec{\omega}^2)}{\vec{\omega}^2} \left[ C_F - e^{i\vec{\omega} \cdot \vec{x}} C_M \right]$$

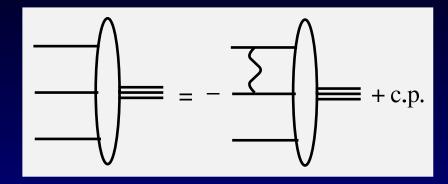
- IR finite if  $C_M = C_F$  or color singlet!
- if  $D_{00} = X/\vec{\omega}^2$  (note,  $g^2D_{00}$  is RG invariant),

$$P_0(x) = \frac{g^2 C_F X}{8\pi} x$$

Diquark channel

$$P_0(x) = 2m + g^2 \int_r \frac{\vec{d} \vec{\omega} D_{00}(\vec{\omega}^2)}{\vec{\omega}^2} \left[ C_F + e^{i\vec{\omega} \cdot \vec{x}} C_D \right]$$

- IR finite if  $C_D = -C_F$  or  $N_c = 2$ .
- The SU(2) baryon!



• Only 2-body interactions, equal spacing

$$P_0(x) = 3m + \frac{3}{2}g^2 \int_r \frac{\vec{d}\vec{\omega}D_{00}(\vec{\omega}^2)}{\vec{\omega}^2} \left[ C_F - 2C_B e^{i\vec{\omega}\cdot\vec{x}} \right]$$

- IR finite if  $C_B = C_F/2$  or  $N_c = 3$ .
- Note the factor 3/2.

## Summary

- Nonperturbative heavy quarks in Coulomb gauge.
- Leading order mass expansion, YM truncation.
- The temporal gluon propagator and vertex are prominent.
- Gap and BS equations solved analytically (rainbow-ladder is *exact*).
- Only color singlet states have finite pole energies (Gauss' law: total color charge is conserved and vanishing).
- There appears to be a connection between the temporal gluon propagator and the string tension.