

Holographic models of QCD in the strong coupling regime

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The Setup

- AdS/QCD – a new approach to studying strong interactions.
- Based on AdS/CFT:
 $\mathcal{N} = 4 U(N_c) \text{ SYM} \leftrightarrow \text{Superstring theory IIB in } AdS_5 \times S^5.$
- Geometry created by a stack of N_c D3-branes. Radius $l \gg l_s$.
- Isometries of $AdS_5 \times S^5$ correspond to global symmetries of SYM:
- $S^5 \rightarrow SO(6) \cong SU(4) - R\text{-symmetry};$
- $AdS_5 \rightarrow SO(2, 4) \cong \text{Superconformal} + \text{Poincaré}.$
- We use these to match $AdS_5 \times S^5$ fields and SYM:
 $m^2 \ell^2 = (\Delta - s)(\Delta + s - 4)$

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Operators under consideration in "bottom-up" AdS/QCD:

- Symmetry currents $J_{L,R}^a{}_\mu$ where a is an adjoint $SU(N_f)_{L,R}$ index;
- Chiral symmetry violation order parameter $\Sigma^{\alpha\beta} = \langle \bar{q}^\alpha q^\beta \rangle$ where $\alpha, \beta = 1 \dots N_f$ are fundamental flavor indices.

Radial coordinate of the AdS is interpreted as the energy scale with UV region near the boundary.

QCD is asymptotically conformal in the UV \Rightarrow our 5D space is asymptotically AdS near the boundary.

We have to modify the geometry in the IR region to reflect the confinement.

AdS/QCD Models

- KK-decompose all the fields and integrate out the z-axis, get an effective action for mesons - a chiral Lagrangian.
- An “expansion” of χ PT
- In order to sharpen the model we have to test its consistency – one has to calculate quantities known in QCD from the AdS point of view.

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Low-Energy Theorems

Expressed in terms of the quark currents $S_i(x)$, $P_j(y)$, Chiral Lagrangian (L_i – parameters of the NLO Lagrangian of order of $\mathcal{O}(p^4)$, $B = G_\pi/F_\pi$), spectral density $\rho(\lambda, m)$ and topological charge density $Q(x) \sim \text{tr}F_{\mu\nu}(x)\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}(x)$:

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Zero momentum correlation functions of QCD currents

Correlation functions are calculated via the AdS/CFT prescription:

$$\mathcal{Z}_{QCD}[\mathcal{J}_I(x_\mu)] = \exp(i\mathcal{S}_{5D} \text{ classical})|_{\Phi_I(0, x_\mu) = \mathcal{J}_I(x_\mu)} \Rightarrow$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_I(x) \mathcal{O}_J(y) \rangle_{\text{conn}} = - \frac{\delta}{\delta \Phi_I(0, x)} \frac{\delta}{\delta \Phi_J(0, y)} \mathcal{S}_{5D} \text{ classical} \Big|_{\Phi_I(0, x_\mu) = 0}$$

At zero momentum for N_f quark flavors with equal masses

$$i \langle P_i(0) P_j(0) \rangle = \delta_{ij} \frac{C}{m} = \delta_{ij} \frac{G_\pi^2}{m_\pi^2},$$

where $\langle \bar{q}^\alpha q^\beta \rangle = C \delta^{\alpha\beta}$ in the chiral limit, $\Sigma = \langle \bar{q}^\alpha q_\alpha \rangle$. One can see that we obtain a singularity corresponding to the pion exchange. The pole residue is the same for the middle and left-hand sides of Eqn. (1).

$N_f = 2$ case

In the particular $N_f = 2$, $m_u \neq m_d$ case

$$i \langle P_i(0) P_j(0) \rangle = \delta_{ij} \frac{C}{m} - \frac{C \Delta m}{2m^2} (\delta_{i0} \delta_{3j} + \delta_{j0} \delta_{3i} - i \delta_{i1} \delta_{2j} - i \delta_{j1} \delta_{2i}),$$

where $m = \frac{m_u + m_d}{2}$, $\Delta m = m_u - m_d$.

Scalar current correlators are calculated analogously and are regular in the chiral limit. Thus for a zero momentum

$$\begin{aligned} & i \langle \delta_{ij} S_0(0) S_0(0) - P_i(0) P_j(0) \rangle \\ & \sim i \langle S_i(x) S_j(0) - \delta_{ij} P_0(x) P_0(0) \rangle \sim -\delta_{ij} \frac{C}{m}, \\ & i \langle P_3(0) P_0(0) \rangle \sim -\frac{C \Delta m}{2m^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Chiral Lagrangian from Holography

Another point of view on the holographic models:

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Parameters of the Chiral Lagrangian

Having integrated out all z -dependence in the 5D action of the lowest KK-mode we obtain

$$S_{5D} \rightarrow A_1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi^{(0)} \partial^\mu \phi^{(0)} + A_2 \cdot [\partial_\mu \phi^{(0)}, \partial_\nu \phi^{(0)}]^2 + A_3 \cdot m \partial_\mu \phi^{(0)} \partial^\mu \phi^{(0)}.$$

This allows to find the parameters explicitly

$L_{1,2,3} \propto \frac{A_2}{A_1^2}$, $L_4 \propto \frac{A_3}{A_1}$. The following (universal for holographic models) equation holds

$$L_3 = -3L_2 = -6L_1.$$

Parameters L_i are regular in the chiral limit.

The Spectral Density of the Dirac operator

The Dirac operator $\hat{D} \equiv \gamma_\mu(\partial_\mu + ig_{YM}A_\mu)$ has no dual AdS description, and its spectral density $\rho(\lambda) = \frac{1}{V} \left\langle \sum_n \delta(\lambda - \lambda_n) \right\rangle_A$, where $\{\lambda_n\}$ are the eigenvalues of $i\hat{D}$, has no direct AdS/QCD interpretation similar to the Chiral Lagrangian and QCD partition function.

However one can express $\rho(\lambda)$ via a partition function of a QCD-like theory with a dual description.

[S. F. Edwards and P. W. Anderson, 1975; J. J. M. Verbaarschot and M. R. Zirnbauer, 1984; K. B. Efetov, 1983]

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\lambda) &= \frac{1}{V} \left\langle \sum_n \delta(\lambda - \lambda_n) \right\rangle_A = \frac{1}{\pi V} \left\langle \lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \sum_n \frac{\mu}{\mu^2 + (\lambda - \lambda_n)^2} \right\rangle_A \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi V} \lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left\langle \log \text{Det}[i\hat{D} - \lambda - i\mu] + \log \text{Det}[i\hat{D} - \lambda + i\mu] \right\rangle_A \end{aligned}$$

The Spectral Density

We use a so-called “replica trick” : $\log z = \frac{\partial}{\partial n} z^n \Big|_{n=0}$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\lambda) &= \frac{1}{\pi V} \lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \operatorname{Re} \left\langle \operatorname{Det}^n [i\hat{D} - \lambda - i\mu] \right\rangle_A \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi V} \lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \operatorname{Re} \int DA e^{iS_{YM}[A]} \times \mathcal{Z}_{quarks}(m_q = m, N_f)[A] \\ &\quad \times \mathcal{Z}_{ghosts}(m_q = \lambda + i\mu, n \cdot N_f)[A]. \end{aligned}$$

Spectral Density in Holography

This partition function can be calculated in "hard-wall" AdS/QCD, with a boundary condition on the scalar field:

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{z} X = \begin{pmatrix} m & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & m & & 0 & \\ & & & \lambda + i\mu & & \\ & & & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & & & \lambda + i\mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ N_f \\ N_f + 1 \\ \vdots \\ N_f(n+1) \end{pmatrix}$$

Result is the following:

$$\rho(\lambda) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \left(\Sigma(m) + m \frac{d}{dm} \Sigma(m) \right) \bigg|_{m=\lambda}$$

Spectral Density in Holography

A QCD result [V. A. Novikov, M. A. Shifman, A. I. Vainshtein, V. I. Zakharov, 1981]

$\Sigma(m) = \Sigma(0) \left(1 - \frac{3m_\pi^2 \log m_\pi^2 / \mu_{had}^2}{32\pi^2 F_\pi^2} \right)$ leads to a formula

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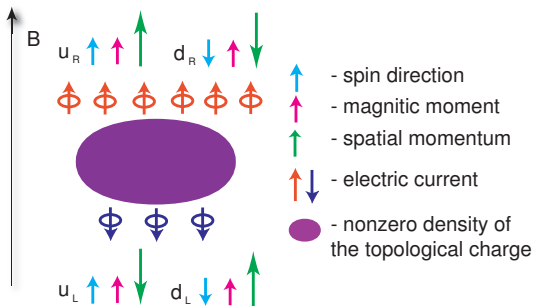


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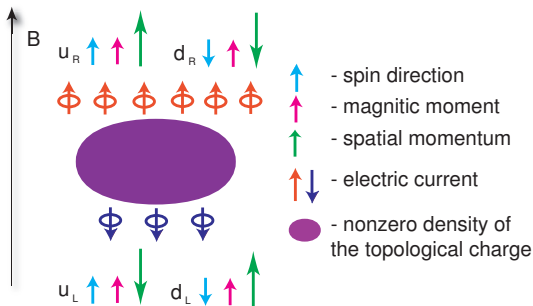


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Gauge sector of the soft-wall AdS/QCD

In the chirally symmetric phase we only need to consider the gauge sector, $|X| = 0$ (its phase – the 5D pion – is a more involved issue).

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with a metric tensor

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Symmetry Currents from the On-shell Action

Chemical potentials $\mu = \frac{1}{2}(\mu_L + \mu_R)$, $\mu_5 = \frac{1}{2}(\mu_L - \mu_R)$ and a magnetic field are incorporated as boundary conditions for the gauge fields.

Boundary condition $L_\mu(\infty) = R_\mu(\infty)$, $\partial_z L_\mu(\infty) = -\partial_z R_\mu(\infty)$ at $z = \infty$ is an adaptation of an analytical continuation of an analogous condition in the chirally broken Sakai-Sugimoto model. Action, estimated on-shell for the solutions of the E.o.M.'s for the gauge fields in the chirally symmetric phase ($|X| = 0$), yields:

$$\frac{\delta S[L, R]}{\delta L_3(z=0)} = \mathcal{J}_L, \quad \frac{\delta S[L, R]}{\delta R_3(z=0)} = \mathcal{J}_R,$$

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Anomalies and the Bardeen counterterm

In our setup there are two external gauge fields on the boundary – $V_\mu(z=0)$ and $A_\mu(z=0)$. $V_\mu(z=0)$ corresponds to $e \times$ an external electromagnetic field and provides μ , while a nonzero $A_\mu(z=0)$ accounts for μ_5 . It has been pointed out in [A. Rebhan, A. Schmitt and S. A. Stricker, 2010] that the divergence of the vector current

$$\partial_\mu \mathcal{J}^\mu = -\frac{N_c}{24\pi^2} F_{\mu\nu}^V \tilde{F}^{A\mu\nu}$$

has to be compensated for by a local counterterm

$$S_{\text{Bardeen}} = c \int d^4x \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} L_\mu R_\nu (F_{\rho\sigma}^L + F_{\rho\sigma}^R), \quad (4)$$

with an appropriate choice of the constant c .

S_{Bardeen} may be considered as a product of holographic renormalization. Whether it needs to be taken into account remains unclear.

In our model $c = -\frac{N_c}{12\pi^2}$ and

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Discussion of the relevance of the Bardeen counterterm

It was suggested by V. Rubakov [arXiv: 1005.1888[hep-ph]] that the counterterm has to be excluded from the calculation, since it fixes the anomaly of the vector current only in the presence of a real dynamical axial gauge field, while in our case we are dealing with a constant axial chemical potential, which is different from a constant temporal component of an axial gauge field.

In the absence of this counterterm the CME current in the strong coupling regime agrees exactly with the weak coupling limit (as it will be demonstrated below).

How to formally distinguish between the two aforementioned cases in holography is a problem still open to discussions.

Scalar sector

The 5D scalar field $X = |X|e^{i\pi/f_\pi}$ interacts with the gauge fields via the covariant derivatives, thus inducing an interaction between π and the gauge field A_M .

- Usually the 4D pion is associated with a holonomy $\int A_z dz$ and the $\pi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decay is determined by a part of the CS action $\int dz d^4x A_z F_{\mu\nu}^V F^{V\mu\nu}$. In the $A_z = 0$ gauge we have to reintroduce pion into the CS term.
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$$S_{CS} = \frac{N_c}{24\pi^2} \left(\int L \wedge dL \wedge dL - \int R \wedge dR \wedge dR \right)$$

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- which under gauge transformations $L \rightarrow L + d\alpha_L$, $R \rightarrow R + d\alpha_R$ transform as $\phi_{L,R} \rightarrow \phi_{L,R} - \alpha_{L,R}$.
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- In the D3/D7 models an R-symmetry chemical potential causes the D7 branes to rotate with an angular speed μ_R , so that the phase of the scalar field is $i\mu_R t$.
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- This yields another contribution to the CME:

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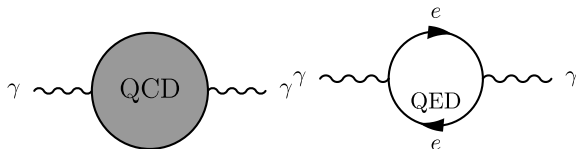
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$$S_{YM}[A] = -\frac{1}{4g_5^2} \int e^{-\phi} F \wedge *F; \quad S_{CS}[A] = -\frac{N_c}{24\pi^2} \int A \wedge F \wedge F$$

with a metric tensor

$$ds^2 = \frac{r^2}{\ell^2} (f_{BH}(r) dt^2 - dx_i dx^i) - \frac{\ell^2}{r^2} \frac{dr^2}{f_{BH}(r)}.$$

Here $f_{BH}(r) = 1 - \frac{r_0^4}{r^4}$, $T = \frac{r_0}{\pi\ell^2}$, $r = \frac{\ell^2}{z}$.

Adjusting the model to nonzero temperatures

- We Wick-rotate the 4D space,
- make the time periodical with $\beta = T^{-1}$,
- look at the geometry near the horizon $r = r_0$,
- there will be a conical singularity unless $\beta = \frac{\pi \ell^2}{r_0}$.
- Retarded Green function – only in-falling waves at the horizon: regular at $r = r_0$ in accompanying Eddington–Finkelstein coordinates.
- When $\omega = 0$ for the solution – that is the same as imposing regularity conditions in coordinates at infinity.
- At the horizon $L_0(r_0) = R_0(r_0) = 0$ due to $g_{00}(r_0) = 0$.

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The Debye mass in strong magnetic fields

If $\mathbf{B} = F_{12}^V \neq 0$ the Chern–Simons part of the action plays its role. Due to its Lorentz structure:

- $F_{12}^V(r) \equiv \mathbf{B}$ is a solution to the e.o.m.
- There is a mixing between the pairs V_0 and A_3 , V_3 and A_0 .
- These mixings are $\propto \mathbf{B}$.
- The Chern–Simons action is effectively bilinear.

Solutions

The solutions of the e.o.m. are expressed in terms of Legendre functions $P_\nu(x)$, $Q_\nu(x)$ of the 1st and 2nd order respectively

with a parameter $\nu = \frac{\sqrt{1 - 9e_q^2 \mathbf{B}^2 \ell^4 / r_0^4} - 1}{2}$ that are regular and single-valued at $|x| < 1$, although $Q_\nu(x)$ has a branching point at $x = 1$. Accounting for the boundary conditions we get:

$$V_0(r) = \frac{\mu}{\nu P_\nu^{-1}(0)} \left(\frac{r_0^2}{r^2} P_\nu(r_0^2/r^2) - P_{\nu+1}(r_0^2/r^2) \right),$$

$$A_3(r) = \frac{\mu}{P_\nu^{-1}(0) \sqrt{-\nu(\nu+1)}} \left(P_\nu(r_0^2/r^2) - P_\nu(0) \right).$$

The Debye mass in a strong field

Variation of the action with respect to the source μ gives

$$m_D^2 = e_q^2 \frac{N_c}{3} T^2 F \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{9e_q^2 \mathbf{B}^2}{\pi^4 T^4}} \right), m_{D \text{ Mag}} = 0$$

$$F(\nu) \equiv \frac{P_\nu(0)}{P_\nu^{-1}(0)} = \frac{2\Gamma(1 - \nu/2)\Gamma(3/2 + \nu/2)}{\Gamma(1 + \nu/2)\Gamma(1/2 - \nu/2)}.$$

In a strong magnetic field, $e_q \mathbf{B} \gg T^2$,

$$m_D^2 = e_q^2 \frac{N_c}{2\pi^2} |e_q \mathbf{B}|.$$

The Graph

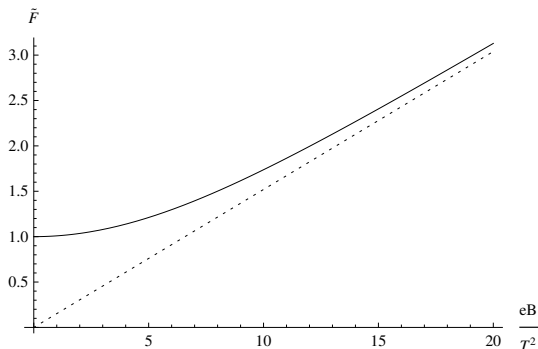


Figure: The function $\tilde{F} = F\left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1 - \frac{9e_q^2 \mathbf{B}^2}{\pi^4 T^4}}\right)$ (solid) vs its strong field asymptotics (dashed).

Values at the LHC and RHIC

Quark-gluon plasma that is created during heavy-ion collisions at RHIC and at the LHC.

$T \approx 2T_c = 330 \pm 20$ MeV and $|e\mathbf{B}| \approx m_\pi^2 \approx 2 \times 10^4$ MeV² for RHIC and

$T \approx 4 - 5 \cdot T_c = 750 \pm 120$ MeV and $|e\mathbf{B}| \approx 15m_\pi^2 \approx 3 \times 10^5$ MeV² for the LHC, we obtain

$$m_D^2 = (82 \pm 3)^2 \text{ MeV}^2 \text{ at RHIC and}$$

$$m_D^2 = (185 \pm 35)^2 \text{ MeV}^2 \text{ at the LHC.}$$

Discussion

- The Debye mass due to strong interactions has been calculated to all orders in the magnetic field.
- In the strong field limit holographic calculation of m_D gives a result similar to the weak-coupling QED [J. Alexandre, 2001].
- $m_{D \text{ Mag}} = 0$ even in the presence of the magnetic field to all orders in \mathbf{B} .
- This is true, however, only up to $1/N_c$ corrections.
- The same holds for Π_{11} and Π_{22} .
- The similarity of the dynamics of strongly coupled QCD and weakly coupled QED in large external magnetic fields is a nontrivial phenomenon, which was observed also in [Son, Thompson, 2008].

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Magnetic Susceptibility of the Chiral Condensate

- Introduced in the framework of QCD Sum Rules [B. L. Ioffe, A. V. Smilga]
- $\langle \bar{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q \rangle_F = \chi \langle \bar{q} q \rangle F_{\mu\nu}$, where $\sigma_{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} [\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu]$.
- Measures induced tensor current in the QCD vacuum

Different approaches to χ

- $\chi = -\frac{N_c}{4\pi^2 f_\pi^2} = -8.9 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ - OPE of the $\langle VVA \rangle$ correlator and pion dominance [A. Vainshtein]
- Sum rule fit $\chi = -3.15 \pm 0.30 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$
- Vector dominance $\chi = -(3.38 \div 5.67) \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ [Balitsky, Yung, Kogan ...]

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The Solution

- A most general property – the scalar and tensor degrees of freedom X_+ , B_{+12} decouple from the pseudoscalar and pseudotensor X_- , B_{-12} , thus forming two independent sectors.
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We are able to determine the magnetization $\mu(\mathbf{B}) = \frac{\langle \bar{q}\sigma_{12}q \rangle}{\langle \bar{q}q \rangle}$:

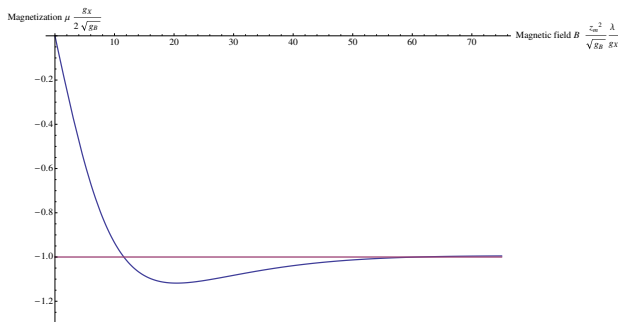


Figure: Magnetization of the chiral condensate $\mu(\mathbf{B})$ as a function of the magnetic field (blue) vs its strong field asymptotics (red).

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Magnetic susceptibility: results and discussion

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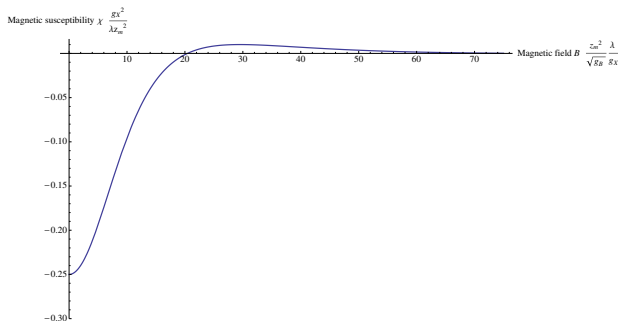


Figure: Magnetic susceptibility of the chiral condensate $\mu(\mathbf{B})$ as a function of the magnetic field.

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Manifestation of the broken conformal symmetry in QCD is the nonzero gluon condensate:

$$\langle \alpha_s \text{tr}(G^2) \rangle \sim (200 \text{ MeV})^4.$$

Measured on lattices by studying small Wilson loops:

$$W(C) = \frac{1}{N_c} \langle \text{tr} P \exp[\oint_C igA_\mu dx^\mu] \rangle = 1 - \frac{1}{48} \frac{\langle \alpha_s \text{tr}(G^2) \rangle}{N_c} S^2 + \dots$$

[M. A. Shifman, 1980]

In gauge/gravity duality the gluon condensate:

- Is the VEV of an operator, therefore, is the normalizable mode of the dilaton: $\phi = \phi_0 + \phi_4 z^4$.
- Can be read off of the Wilson loop VEV.
- We can use Maldacena's prescription: the exponent of the area of a minimal surface in 5D spanning the Wilson contour on the AdS boundary: $\langle W(C) \rangle = e^{-Area(C)}$ [J. Maldacena, 1998].
- The dilaton enters the string frame metric that is used to calculate the surface area.

The Liu–Tseytlin model

A simple supergravity solution with a nontrivial dilaton background – a D-instanton smeared on the D3-branes:

$$ds_{D3|str}^2 = \frac{\ell^2}{z^2} \sqrt{h_{-1}} (dx^\mu dx_\mu + dz^2 + z^2 d\Omega_5^2),$$

$$e^\phi = g_s h_{-1}, \quad h_{-1} = 1 + \frac{q}{\lambda} z^4, \quad \phi_4 = \frac{q}{\lambda} = \frac{\pi^2}{\sqrt{2}\lambda} \frac{\langle \alpha_s \text{tr}(G^2) \rangle}{N_c},$$

$$\ell^4 = 4\pi g_s N_c l_s^4, \quad g_{YM}^2 = 4\pi g_s, \quad \lambda = g_{YM}^2 N_c.$$

The Gross–Ooguri Phase Transition

Let us study the Wilson loop correlators:

- two parallel loops of equal radii R and separated by a distance l in a transversal direction.
- String worldsheet stretched over two Wilson contours:

$$\langle W(\mathcal{C}_1)W(\mathcal{C}_2) \rangle = \exp(-S_{NG}).$$

- Two types of worldsheets are possible – connected and disconnected.

The Gross–Ooguri Phase Transition

- At small distances l the connected solution is preferable (has a smaller area).
- At $l = l_c$ the disconnected worldsheet becomes preferable:

$$S_{conn.}(l_c) = S_{disc.}$$
- At this point the correlator undergoes a first order phase transition – and vanishes. (N_c -suppressed propagating gravitational modes make it a crossover.)
- At a greater distance $l = l_*$ the connected solution stops existing.
- For pure $AdS_5 \times S^5$ the critical value equals $l_c = 0.91R$ and the connected solution becomes unstable at $l_* = 1.04R$.

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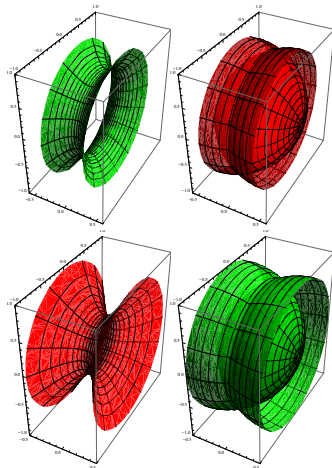


Figure: A schematic representation of the Gross–Ooguri phase transition. Classically preferable worldsheet solutions are shaded green.

Phase transition shift

- Treating the worldsheet solution perturbatively in $\phi_4 R^4$:
 $S = S^0 + S^1$. Similarly $l_c = l_{c0} + l_{c1}$.
- They are determined by:

$$S_{conn.}^0(l_{c0}) = S_{disc.}^0,$$
$$l_{c1} = \frac{S_{disc.}^1 - S_{conn.}^1(l_{c0})}{\partial S_{conn.}^0 / \partial l(l_{c0})}.$$

- This gives

$$l_{c1} = (6.05 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-2} \phi_4 R^5.$$

Discussion

- Presence of the gluon condensate drives the point of the Gross–Ooguri transition to larger distances between the loops.
- This is due to the fact that the normalizable mode of the dilaton makes the area of the disconnected surface larger.
- The case of concentric Wilson loops – when condensate is large enough the Gross–Ooguri phase transition changes its order. There is a jump in the area of the minimal surface.

