

1: Simons Collaboration on the Nonperturbative Bootstrap

In mathematics and physics, a non-perturbative function or process is one that cannot be accurately described by perturbation theory. An example is the function $f(x) = e^{-1/x^2}$.

This is an open access article distributed under the Creative Commons Attribution License, which permits unrestricted use, distribution, and reproduction in any medium, provided the original work is properly cited. Perturbation theory has long been the method of choice in addressing the S-matrix and related observables predicted by quantum field theories subject to well defined asymptotic scattering states and an accordingly local and sufficiently weak interaction, suggesting an analysis in terms of powers of a small coupling. The thus enabled precise predictions of electroweak observables in the SM were impressively confirmed by experiments performed at the Large Electron-Positron Collider LEP. A genuine testing of the U(1) × SU(2) × SU(3) gauge dynamics of the perturbatively understood SM beyond perturbation theory must, however, avoid model assumptions such as suggestively parameterized parton distribution functions and the associated factorization of soft-momentum, nonperturbative contributions to hadronic polarization tensors. One usually argues that lattice gauge theory is a first-principle approach to QCD based on an ultraviolet (UV) and infrared (IR) cutoff formulation on a finite 4D Euclidean space-time lattice produces results which do not rely on such assumptions and this increasingly well as computational resources become more and more abundant and the available conceptual and computational techniques more and more refined. But even for the pure Yang-Mills case no fermions which couple to the gauge fields, there are various issues inherent to this approach: A nonperturbative, perfect quantum lattice action by definition does not exhibit any cutoff dependence at finite lattice spacing. It is, however, prohibitively expensive to construct by successions of numerical block-spin transformations. Apart from these technical problems, the determination of static observables which do not depend on the Euclidean formulation, like the mass spectrum of light hadrons, is the result of black-box numerical experiments and as such does not openly provide insights into the underlying physics of ground-state structure, confinement, chiral symmetry breaking, and excitability. There is activity in lattice gauge theory, however, which poses these questions about mechanisms directly, thus providing valuable guidance to analytical approaches to nonperturbative Quantum Yang-Mills theory. Some of the contributions to this present special issue focus on just such nonperturbative approaches to pure Yang-Mills theory, QCD, and Yang-Mills thermodynamics. Namely, the work of H. This is done in an approximate form in terms of minimizing energy in a well-motivated Gaussian-variational ansatz and cubic plus quartic generalizations thereof for the ground-state functional. The associated kernels can be expressed as solutions to Dyson-Schwinger and to gap equations which can be solved subject to simplifying assumptions and boundary horizon conditions to implement confinement a highly nonperturbative feat. Interesting quantities to compute are the Wilson and Coulomb string tension. One then is led to ask about the field configurations that mainly induce them. This is done in comparison of the present continuum approach to lattice results in discussing the role of center-vortex loops and the magnetic monopoles that associate with them. Finite temperature is introduced by compactification of the spatial dimension after rotation, and the Polyakov loop as an order parameter for deconfinement is computed with the according ground-state functional used to compute the expectation of the field in Polyakov gauge. Again, the results are compared to lattice results yielding a good agreement. Approaches like the one pursued by H. Exemplarily, we now sketch the content of some of the papers. There are two interesting contributions in this special issue, one by S. Brodsky and the other one by H. Brodsky first introduces a mass scale into the QCD light-front Hamiltonian by adding a term proportional to the special conformal operator which then gives rise to a confining potential. This does not break conformal invariance on the level of the QCD action. This somewhat ad hoc procedure can be shown to follow from the conjectured duality between light-front QCD and AdS5 if one introduces the AdS5 action by the dilaton along the fifth dimension. Generalizing this by appealing to the full superconformal algebra, Brodsky obtains, among interesting insights about the light-front vacuum structure, a unified hadron spectroscopy for mesons,

baryons, and tetraquarks with supersymmetric relations between meson and baryon masses. Dosch in collaboration with S. On the other hand, heavy-quark symmetry seems to ensure the survival of supersymmetry even though conformal symmetry is strongly broken in the heavy-quark limit. A long-standing question about the asymptotic behavior of perturbative expansions, here in QED, is pursued by I. There are good, classical arguments that this expansion does not converge. However, in particular, the leading large-photon amplitude in the effective Euler-Heisenberg E-H theory can be constructed from a conjectured all-loop expression of the imaginary part of the E-H Lagrangian for scalar and spinor QED by Borel dispersion, suggesting the usefulness of a perturbative approach in expanding this amplitude in powers of in a convergent way. Mathieu discusses the possibility of performing exact nonperturbative computations of functional integrals related to the partition function and observables in 3D U 1 Chern-Simons theory thanks to the Deligne cohomology classes of its fiber bundles. As a consequence, such a soliton may exhibit a VPE which no longer exhibits the breaking of translational invariance it had introduced on the classical level. This is an interesting, quantum induced, emergent phenomenon. Quantifying VPEs for even more general potentials may turn out to be insightful regarding quantum effects in soliton binding. Krajewski presents a beautiful discussion on an extension of validity of the Wigner semicircle law for the probability distribution of eigenvalues of Hermitian, independent Gaussian, or Wigner random matrices off-diagonal entries independent and identically distributed with zero mean, diagonal entries identically distributed with finite mean and independent of off-diagonal entries in the large- limit to the case of correlated entries. Namely, assuming a certain scaling bound for the cumulants of entries, he shows by means of a renormalization-group equation for the effective action of the replica that bounds on effective cumulants are implied. In the large- limit, this, in turn, guarantees that only Gaussian terms contribute such that one is back at the semicircle law. The contribution by J. Rubin is a bit off the main theme of the special issue, yet highly interesting: Namely, he shows how causal axiomatics and certain local 1D and 2D projective structures attached to emitters are sufficient to deduce the 4D projective structure of space-time. Faber in his paper proposes a model of the electron along the lines of a Skyrme-model-like construction but with a different potential term. The basic quantity, a spatial dreibein, parameterizes unit quaternions, that is, group elements of SU 2 with nontrivial winding on its group manifold which give rise to a connection, in turn, defining the curvature tensor. The extent of this static field configuration essentially matches the classical electron radius. There are two more topological quantum numbers which relate to spin and photon number. The model allows for magnetic currents which should make this description of classical electrodynamics nonlocal. The ideas presented here are very interesting because they may help to demystify the electron. It would be welcome if the emergence of the Compton wavelength, a more intuitive grasp of electron spin, and the apparent pointlikeness of the electron in high-energy scattering experiments could be understood, possibly in extensions of the model incorporating quantum effects from the outset and doing justice to L. The paper by T. This result is put into perspective by a very instructive comparison with conventional, perturbatively minded approaches to quark scattering in QCD and electron scattering in QED. Finally, there are two papers, one by I. Bischer and one by S. Hofmann, which explore consequences of deconfining SU 2 Yang-Mills thermodynamics. The former contribution addresses certain nonperturbative radiative corrections to the pressure, arising from massive quasi-particle fluctuations. It is shown that fixed-order dihedral diagrams exhibit a high-temperature dependence starkly exceeding the Stefan-Boltzmann behavior. However, it is demonstrated that an all-order resummation cures this apparent problem and leads to well-bounded, purely imaginary contributions at leading order implying that these radiative corrections do not admit a thermodynamical interpretation. The second paper investigates the consequences of the postulate that an SU 2 rather than a U 1 gauge principle governs thermal photon gases, e. Specifically, a modification of the - relation implies that the high- cosmological model has to contain less dark matter than the CDM standard model posits. This is argued to resolve the tension in between fits to the power spectra of the CMB and its cosmologically local extraction. All papers of this special issue have undergone peer review by one or two high-calibre referees. A substantial fraction of manuscripts submitted had to be rejected.

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