# Stringy Excitation and Role of UV Gluons in Lattice QCD

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Abstract : Using SU(3) quenched lattice QCD, we study ground-state (GS) and low-lying even-parity excited-state (ES) potentials of quark-antiquark systems in terms of the gluon momentum component in the Coulomb gauge. By introducing UV cut in the gluon-momentum space, we investigate the sensitivity of the GS and ES potentials, and the stringy excitation to the UV gluons quantitatively.

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# Introduction

#### **One-dimensional squeezing of color electric field**



Unlike QED, QCD forms Color-Flux-Tube between quarks, and this One-dimensional Squeezing of color-electric field leads to Linear Confinement potential in the infrared region.

#### Flux tube formation for QQbar and 3Q systems in Lattice QCD

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Non-perturbative



H. Ichie et al., Nucl. Phys. A721, 899 (2003)

Actually, apart from the color-Coulomb energy around quarks, Flux-Tube Formation has been observed in Lattice QCD both for QQbar and 3Q systems



## **Gluonic Excitation and Hybrid Hadrons**



This Stringy Mode is non-quark-origin excitation, and therefore it can be regarded as Gluonic Excitation. Such a gluonic-excited state may be interpreted as Hybrid Hadrons (  $q\bar{q}G$  and qqqG), which are interesting hadrons beyond the Quark-Model framework. In Lattice QCD, Gluonic Excitation has been studied using Excited-State Potentials in spatially-fixed QQbar systems.

## Excited-state potential in Lattice QCD

**Gluonic Excitation in QQ System** 



In Lattice QCD, Excited-State Potentials have been calculated, and their behavior is almost consistent with string excitation in infrared region, in spite of significant difference at small distance.

# In the previous work, IR/UV-Gluon Contribution to the Ground -State Potential or Confinement has been studied.

A. Yamamoto and H.Suganuma, PRL 101, 241601 (2008); PRD79, 054504 (2009).



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In this talk, we study not only ground-state potential but also low-lying even-parity Excited-State Potentials of QQbar systems in terms of Gluon Momentum Component in Coulomb gauge.

By introducing UV-cut in 3dim Gluon-Momentum space, we study the UV-gluon contribution to Excited-State Potentials and Stringy Excitations.

#### Formalism to extract Excited-State Potentials in lattice QCD

T.T.Takahashi and H.Suganuma, PRL 90 (2003), PRD70 (2004).

We present the formalism to extract the excited-state potential for the spatially-fixed Q-Qbar system.

We denote the n-th eigen-state of the QCD Hamiltonian by  $|n\rangle$ ,

$$H|n\rangle = V_n|n\rangle \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

Here, Vn denotes n-th Excited-State Potential, and Oth eigen-state means the ground-state.

Consider arbitrary independent Q-Qbar states  $|\phi_k\rangle$  (k=0,1,2...). Generally, each Q-Qbar state  $|\phi_k\rangle$  can be expressed by a linear combination of the Q-Qbar physical eigen-states:

$$\left|\phi_{k}\right\rangle = c_{0}^{k}\left|0\right\rangle + c_{1}^{k}\left|1\right\rangle + c_{2}^{k}\left|2\right\rangle + \dots$$

#### Formalism to extract excited-state potentials in lattice QCD

The Euclidean-time evolution of the QQbar state  $|\phi_k(t)\rangle$  is expressed with the operator  $e^{-Ht}$ , which corresponds to the Transfer Matrix in Lattice QCD. The overlap  $\langle \phi_j(T) | \phi_k(0) \rangle$  is given by the Wilson loop  $W_T{}^{jk}$ , sandwiched by initial state  $\phi_k$  at t=0 and final state  $\phi_j$  at t=T, and is expressed in the Euclidean Heisenberg picture as

$$W_T^{jk} \equiv \left\langle \phi_j(T) \middle| \phi_k(0) \right\rangle = \left\langle \phi_j \middle| W(T) \middle| \phi_k \right\rangle = \left\langle \phi_j \middle| e^{-HT} \middle| \phi_k \right\rangle$$
$$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \overline{c}_m^j c_n^k \left\langle m \middle| e^{-HT} \middle| n \right\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \overline{c}_n^j e^{-V_n T} c_n^k$$

This is a basic relation between Wilson loops and potentials.

By introducing the matrix  $C^{nk} = c_n^k \qquad \Lambda_T^{mn} = e^{-V_n T} \delta^{mn}$ this relation can be rewritten as  $W_T = C^{\dagger} \Lambda_T C$  Formalism to extract excited-state potentials in lattice QCD

$$W_T = \vec{C} \wedge_T C \qquad \Lambda_T = \operatorname{diag}(e^{-V_0 T}, e^{-V_1 T}, e^{-V_2 T}, \dots)$$

Using this relation, we extract the potentials  $V_n$  (n=0,1,2...) from the Wilson loop  $W_T$ . Consider the following combination:

$$W_T^{-1}W_{T+1} = \{C^{\dagger} \Lambda_T C\}^{-1} C^{\dagger} \Lambda_{T+1} C = C^{-1} \operatorname{diag}(e^{-V_0}, e^{-V_1}, e^{-V_2}, \dots)C\}$$

Then,  $e^{-V_n}$  can be obtained as eigen-values of matrix  $W_T^{-1}W_{T+1}$ . In fact, they are the solutions of the secular equation,

$$\det\left\{W_T^{-1}W_{T+1} - t1\right\} = \prod_n (e^{-V_n} - t) = 0$$

In this way, the potentials  $V_n$  (n=0,1,2,...) can be obtained from the Wilson loop matrix,  $W_T^{-1}W_{T+1}$ .

#### Formalism to extract excited-state potentials in lattice QCD

In the practical calculation, we prepare gauge-invariant QQbar states  $|\phi_k\rangle$  composed by fat-links obtained with smearing method, and calculate many Wilson loops sandwiched by various combination of initial state  $|\phi_k\rangle$  and final state  $|\phi_j\rangle$ .



By solving the secular equation within a truncated dimension, ground-state and excited-state potentials can be obtained.

#### Fourier Transformation and Gluon Momentum Space

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Next, we consider 3-dim Fourier Transformation of link-variable  $U_{\mu}$  (s), and introduce UV-cut in 3-dim Momentum Space.

**Step 1.** Generation of link-variable in Coulomb gauge

Coordinate-space link-variable

$$U_{\mu}(x) = e^{iaA_{\mu}(x)} \in SU(3)$$

We consider link-variables fixed in Coulomb gauge, because spatial gauge-field fluctuation is strongly suppressed.



#### Step 2. Discrete Fourier transformation

By 3-dim discrete Fourier transformation, we define momentum-space link-variable.

momentum-space link-variable

$$\widetilde{U}_{\mu}(p) \equiv \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\vec{x}} U_{\mu}(x) \exp(i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x})$$



#### Step 3. "UV-cut" in the momentum space

We introduce "UV-cut" in the momentum space. Outside the cut,  $\tilde{U}_{\mu}(p)$  is replaced by 0 (free-field link-variable).

momentum-space link-variable with UV cut

$$\widetilde{U}^{\Lambda}_{\mu}(p) \equiv \begin{cases} \widetilde{U}_{\mu}(p) \\ 0 \end{cases}$$

(outside UV-cut)



free-field link variable  $A_{\mu}^{\text{free}}(x) = 0$   $U_{\mu}^{\text{free}}(x) = e^{i0} = 1$  $\tilde{U}_{\mu}^{\text{free}}(p) = \delta_{p0}$ 

## Step 4. Inverse Fourier transformation

By the inverse Fourier transformation,  $U'_{\mu}(x) \equiv \sum_{\vec{p}} \widetilde{U}^{\Lambda}_{\mu}(p) \exp(-i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x})$ and SU(3) projection by maximizing  $\operatorname{Re}Tr[U_{\mu}^{\Lambda}(x)^{\dagger}U_{\mu}'(x)]$ we obtain Coordinate-Space Link-variable with UV-cut.  $U_{\mu}^{\Lambda}(x) \in SU(3)$ 

## Step 5. Calculation of Wilson Loops

Using the "UV-cut" link-variable  $U^{\Lambda}_{\mu}(x)$  instead of  $U_{\mu}(x)$ , we calculate many Wilson loops  $W_{T}^{jk}$  sandwiched by various combination of initial state  $|\phi_{k}\rangle$  and final state  $|\phi_{j}\rangle$ 

## The calculation condition of Lattice QCD

- SU(3) quenched calculation
- $\beta = \frac{2N_C}{g^2} = 6.0$
- Lattice size : 16<sup>4</sup>
- 100 gauge configurations

Here, we only consider parity-even excited-state potentials.

We prepare  $|\phi_k\rangle$  (k=0,1,2,3) composed by fat-links obtained by smearing method with smearing parameter  $\alpha$ =2.3, iteration = 0, 8, 16, 24.

 $\beta = 6.0$   $L^{4} = 16^{4}$ Coordinate space  $a \simeq 0.104 \text{ fm}$   $V = (La)^{4} \approx (16.6 \text{ fm})^{4}$ Momentum space momentum lattice spacing  $a_{p} \equiv \frac{2\pi}{La} \approx 0.74 \text{ GeV}$   $\frac{\pi}{a} \approx 6 \text{ GeV}$ Coulomb gauge

Coulomb gauge 3D Fourier transformation Ground-state/Excited-state Potentials and Gluonic Excitation in Q-Qbar Systems

No cut (original) data



Ground-state/Excited-state Potentials and Gluonic Excitation in Q-Qbar Systems

UV-cut: 2.2GeV



The short-distance Coulomb part (1/r) is reduced in Ground-state potential. The shape of Excited-state potentials is changed. Ground-state/Excited-state Potentials and Gluonic Excitation in Q-Qbar Systems

UV-cut: 1.5GeV



## Ground-state and Excited-state Potentials in Lattice QCD



By the Cut of UV-gluons,

the IR part of Ground-State Potential is almost unchanged, and the change of Excited-State Potential is more significant.

#### Effect of the UV-gluon removal from Ground-state and Excited-state Potentials



The black symbols denote the UV-cut data. By the Cut of UV-gluons, the IR part of Ground-State Potential is almost unchanged, and the change of Excited-state potential is more significant.

# SU(3) Lattice QCD result for Gluonic Excitation Energy defined by $V_n$ - $V_0$



Roughly speaking, even after the removal of UV-gluons, the magnitude of Gluonic Excitation is approximately unchanged. The Gluonic Excitation remains to be 1GeV order.

## Summary and Concluding Remarks

- Using SU(3) quenched lattice QCD, we have studied Groundstate and low-lying even-parity Excited-state potentials of quark-antiquark systems in terms of the Gluon Momentum Component in Coulomb gauge.
- By introducing UV-Cut in the Gluon Momentum Space, we study the sensitivity of the potentials and the Stringy Excitation to the UV-gluons.
- Even after cutting off high-momentum gluon component above1.5 GeV, the IR part of Ground-State Potential are almost unchanged.
- The change of Excited-State Potential is more significant.
- Roughly, even after the removal of UV-gluons, the magnitude of the Gluonic Excitation is approximately unchanged, and remains to be 1GeV order.

Lattice-QCD Brilliouin zone and Relevant Region for confinement



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# Gluonic Excitation in Q-Qbar Systems in SU(3) Lattice QCD



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#### Lattice QCD result of IR cut for Quark-antiquark potential





 $a \simeq 0.10 \, \mathrm{fm}$  $a_p \simeq 0.77 \, \mathrm{GeV}$ 



By the IR cutoff, the Coulomb potential seems to be unchanged, but the confinement potential is largely reduced.

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Coulomb potential (UV) — disappears confinement potential (IR) — unchanged

# Quark Confining Force (String Tension) with UV cut



As a remarkable fact, the string tension is almost unchanged even after cutting off the high-momentum gluon component above 1.5 GeV. When the UV cutoff is smaller than 1.5 GeV, the string tension is reduced.

Only Low-Momentum Component of Gluons below 1.5GeV is relevant for Confinement.

#### Procedure to select Gluonic momentum-components in Lattice QCD

We mainly consider UV cut or IR cut in 3D momentum space.

#### ultraviolet (UV) cut

$$\sqrt{p^2} > \Lambda_{\rm UV}$$



#### infrared (IR) cut

$$\sqrt{p^2} < \Lambda_{\rm IR}$$



Summary of procedure to select gluonic momentum-components in lattice QCD

