Overview of the BEST collaboration and status of lattice QCD

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X. An et al, "The BEST framework for the search for the QCD critical point and the chiral magnetic effect", NPA (2022)









- Is there a critical point in the QCD phase diagram?
- What are the degrees of freedom in the vicinity of the phase transition?
- Where is the transition line at high density?
- What are the phases of QCD at high density?
- Are we creating a thermal medium in experiments?

Open Questions



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μ_ (GeV)

Run 2019:

- Collider: $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =14.6, 19.6, 200 GeV •
- Fixed target: $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =3.2 GeV •

Run 2020:

- Collider: $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =9.2, 11.5 GeV •
- Fixed target: $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=3.5, 3.9, 4.5, 5.2,$ • 6.2, 7.2, 7.7 GeV
- Run 2021:
 - Collider: $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7 \text{ GeV}$



Comparison of the facilities

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				Compila	tion by D. Cebra
Facilty	RHIC BESII	SPS	NICA	SIS-100	J-PARC HI
				SIS-300	
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Energy:	7.7–19.6	4.9-17.3	2.7 - 11	2.7-8.2	2.0-6.2
√s _{NN} (GeV)	2.5-7.7		2.0-3.5		
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At 8 GeV	2000 Hz				
Physics:		CP&OD			
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	Collider	Fixed target	Collider	Fixed target	Fixed target
	Fixed target	collisions	Fixed target		
CP=Critical	l Point OD= (Onset of Deco	onfinement D	HM=Dense Ha	dronic Matter



objectives:

- constraints on the existence of a critical point in the QCD phase diagram
- properties of baryon-rich QGP
- probe chiral symmetry restoration through chiral anomaly induced phenomena

path:

• construct a theoretical framework for interpreting the results from the BES @ RHIC









Hot and dense lattice QCD

BNL, UH

Major goals:

- QCD crossover temperature $T_c(\mu_B)$
 - switching temperature/energy density for fluid-dynamical modeling
- QCD equation of state (EoS) for $\mu_B > 0$
 - input for fluid-dynamical modeling & EoS with critical point
- skewness and kurtosis of conserved charge fluctuations for $\mu_B > 0$
 - equilibrium QCD baseline for the experimentally measured higher order cumulants of net proton, electric charge and kaon fluctuation



QCD crossover temperature





Width and strength of the transition WB:PRL (2020) 0.14 <u>χ</u>(Τ_c) σ [MeV] 60 0.14 χ (pbp) 0.12 0.135 40³x10 ⊡ 0.10 50 0.08 0.06 0.13 40 0.04 0.15 0.25 0.3 0.35 2 4.0 0.02 0 0.00 30 0.125 20 0.12 10 Proxy to the half width of the transition μ_B [MeV] 0.115 2 -8 -6 -2 0 4 0 $(\mu_B/T)^2$ 0 50 100 150 200 250 300

- The width of the transition is constant up to $\mu_B \sim 300 \text{ MeV}$
- Height of the peak of the chiral susceptibility at the crossover temperature: proxy for the strength
 of the crossover: roughly constant

QCD Equation of state for $\mu_{\rm B} > 0$ Taylor expansion of the pressure: $\chi_{2n}^{\ B}$ $\frac{p(T,\mu_B)}{T^4} = \frac{p(T,0)}{T^4} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} \frac{\mathrm{d}^{2n}(p/T^4)}{\mathrm{d}(\frac{\mu_B}{T})^{2n}} \bigg|_{\mu=-0} \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^{2n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{2n}(T) \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T}\right)^{2n}$ Two choices: - $\mu_B \neq 0$, $\mu_S = \mu_O = 0$ - μ_{s} and μ_{o} are functions of T and μ_{B} to match the experimental constraints: <n₀>=0.4<n_B> <n_s>=0 WB: NPA (2017) 0.3 0.09 0.1 [WB 1607.02493] HRG [WB 1607.02493] HRG [WB 1607.02493] HRG 0.08 0.25 0.05 0.07 0.2 0.06 χ_4^B χ_6^B 0.05 χ_2^B 0.15 0.04 -0.05 0.1 0.03 0.02 0.05 -0.1 0.01 0 220 240 260 140 220 180 260 280 260 140 160 200 280 140 160 180 200 220 240 160 180 200 240 280 T [MeV] T [MeV] T [MeV]

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Novel expansion scheme

Exploiting the T and μ_B dependence of the density

we can write

$$rac{\chi_1^B(T,\hat{\mu}_B)}{\hat{\mu}_B} = \chi_2^B(T',0)$$

with

$$T'(T, \hat{\mu}_B) = T\left(1 + \kappa_2^{BB}(T)\hat{\mu}_B^2 + \kappa_4^{BB}(T)\hat{\mu}_B^4 + \mathcal{O}(\hat{\mu}_B^6)\right)$$



S. Borsanyi, C. R. et al., PRL (2021)

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We get all other thermodynamic quantities from the density 4.5 20 3.5 15 3 s/T³ (Т) р/Т⁴ (Т) 2.5 10 2 1.5 0.5 0 n 180 200 240 140 160 220 120 160 180 200 220 240 120 140 T [MeV] T [MeV]





See also A. Monnai et al., PRC (2019)

Higher order fluctuations



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{S_B \sigma_B^3}{M_B} &= \frac{\chi_3^B(T, \mu_B)}{\chi_1^B(T, \mu_B)} = \frac{\chi_4^B + s_1 \chi_{31}^{BS} + q_1 \chi_{31}^{BQ}}{\chi_2^B + s_1 \chi_{11}^{BS} + q_1 \chi_{11}^{BQ}} + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^2) \equiv r_{31}^{B,0} + r_{31}^{B,2} \hat{\mu}_B^2 + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^4) \\ \kappa_B \sigma_B^2 &= \frac{\chi_4^B(T, \mu_B)}{\chi_2^B(T, \mu_B)} = \frac{\chi_4^B}{\chi_2^B} + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^2) \equiv r_{42}^{B,0} + r_{42}^{B,2} \hat{\mu}_B^2 + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^4) \;, \end{aligned}$$

Alternative explanation: canonical suppression

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P. Braun Munzinger et al., NPA (2017)



Comparison between theory and experiment

Real world may be complicated

- Critical point beyond the regime probed by lattice
- Non-equilibrium effects important
- Freeze-out, resonances, global charge conservation, etc.

Non-critical contributions: V. Vovchenko et al, 2107.00163

Motivates BEST (non-lattice) theory effort







✓ We built an equation of state which:

- ✓ Reproduces the one from lattice QCD up to $O(\mu_B^4)$ (provided by the BEST lattice QCD effort)
- Contains a critical point in the 3D Ising model universality class
- Can be readily used as input for hydrodynamic simulations to test the effect of the critical point on observables (has been tested by the BEST hydro working group)
- Future hydro simulations and comparison with BESII data will help to constrain the position of the critical point

Code available for everybody to use
 (download from https://www.bnl.gov/physics/best/resources.php)



Map the phase diagram

The relation between the Ising model scaling variables (h, r) and the QCD thermodynamic coordinates (T, μ_B) , can be expressed in linear form, with the use of **six parameters**:



Map the phase diagram

• The number of free parameters is reduced:

Assume the shape of transition line is a parabola (good approximation at BES-like energies) → reduce to four parameters:

$$\frac{T_C}{T_C(\mu_B=0)} = 1 + \kappa \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T_C(\mu_B=0)}\right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\mu_B^4)$$

with the values $T_C(\mu_B=0)=155$ MeV, $\kappa=-0.0149$.

• For a chosen value of μ_{BC} , one gets

$$T_C = T_0 + \frac{\kappa}{T_0} \mu_{BC}^2 \qquad \qquad \alpha_1 = \tan^{-1} \left(2 \frac{\kappa}{T_0} \mu_{BC} \right)$$

• In the following: $\mu_{BC} = 350 \text{ MeV}$ w = 1 $T_C \simeq 143.2 \text{ MeV}$ $\alpha_2 - \alpha_1 = \pi/2$ $\rho = 2$ $\alpha_1 \simeq 4^{\circ}$

Expansion coefficients and EoS

P. Parotto, C. R. et al., PRC (2020)

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Final EoS: Isentropic trajectories

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Applications: Sign of kurtosis (D. Mroczek et al., PRD (2020); Critical bulk viscosity (M. Martinez et al., PRD (2019))





Scientific goals

• Model the *fluctuating initial conditions* for the baryon-asymmetric matter for baryon, electric charge, and strangeness



C. Shen, B. Schenke, PRC (2018) C. Shen, B. Schenke, NPA (2019)

 Develop (3+1)D viscous hydrodynamic code which includes all conserved currents and connect it to model for initial conditions
 G. Denicol et al., PRC (2018)

L. Du et al., NPA (2019)

• Extract <u>transport properties</u> of nuclear matter at finite baryon density

M. Li, C. Shen, PRC (2018) C. Gale et al., NPA (2019)



Hydrodynamics evolution

• The sequential collisions between nucleons contribute as energy-momentum and net-baryon density sources to the hydrodynamic fields

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Approaches

One of the central goals of the BEST collaboration is to develop quantitative understanding of fluctuations near the CP

- Stochastic approach with noise M. Nahrgang et al., PRD (2019)
- Deterministic approach in which correlation functions are treated as additional variables with the hydrodynamics ones (Hydro+)

M. Stephanov and Yi Ying, PRD (2018)

- So far only applicable to crossover side of phase boundary
- So far limited to two-point functions

See also Y. Akamatsu et al, PRC (2017 and 2018); M. Martinez and T. Schaefer, PRC (2019); X. An et al., PRC (2020) S. Pratt and C. Plumberg, PRC (2019 and 2020)



Implementation

- Solution of stochastic hydro equations using a momentum filter by which fluctuating modes above a cutoff given by a microscopic scale are removed
 - M. Singh et al., QM2018 proceedings
- Solution of full stochastic diffusive equation in a finite-size system with Gaussian white noise: critical slowing down is observed M. Nahrgang et al., 1804.05728
- Hydro+ implemented in two main simulations









Scientific goals and achievements

 Model fluctuating initial conditions for axial charges Mace et al., PRD (2016) Shi et al., PRL (2020)



- $\begin{array}{c} & \alpha_{S}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{4} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{4} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{4} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{4} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{4} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3} \\ \hline Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{s}^{7/3}Q_{$
- Develop magneto-hydro code and incorporate anomalous hydro terms, studying the co-evolution of the dynamical magnetic field with the medium U. Gursoy et al., PRC (2018)

• Quantitatively characterize the experimental signals of CME Shi et al., Annals of Physics (2018)







Particlization

- Develop the interface between the hydrodynamic evolution and hadronic transport, such that it preserves fluctuations
 - micro-canonical Metropolis sampling algorithm: conserves all the charges as well as energy and momentum as given by hydrodynamics
 D. Oliinychenko, V. Koch, PRL (2019)
 - Particlization of hydro+: projects fluctuations from hydro+ onto the represented hadrons Pradeep et al., 2109.1318
 - Hadronic transport with tunable potentials
 - A. Sorensen, V. Koch, 2011.06635



Conclusions

- The BEST collaboration has made tremendous strides towards developing a dynamical framework for a quantitative description of low-energy heavy-ion collisions
- The BEST framework is modular: all components are being thoroughly tested
- The design will accommodate a global Bayesian analysis of BESII data, when they become available



Backup Slides

Two versions of the EoS

• Finite T and μ_B , but $\mu_S = \mu_Q = 0$



• Finite T, μ_B , μ_S and μ_Q such that $n_S=0$ and $n_Q=0.4n_B$



• Comparing isentropes...



QCD Equation of state for $\mu_{B_1} \mu_{S_2} \mu_Q > 0$ J. Noronha-Hostler, C.R. et al., PRC (2019)



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Fluctuations along the QCD crossover

P. Steinbrecher for HotQCD, 1807.05607

Net-baryon variance

Disconnected chiral susceptibility



- Expected to be larger than HRG model result near the CP
- No sign of criticality



- Peak height expected to increase near the CP
- No sign of criticality



QCD Equation of state for $\mu_B > 0$

We now have the equation of state for µ_B/T≤2 or in terms of the RHIC energy scan:



Second Beam Energy Scan (BESII) at RHIC

- Planned for 2019-2020
- 24 weeks of runs each year
- Beam Energies have been chosen to keep the μ_B step ~50 MeV
- Chemical potentials of interest: μ_B/T ~1.5...4



Baryon Chemical Potential μ_B

√s (GeV)	19.6	14.5	11.5	9.1	7•7	6.2	5.2	4.5
μ _B (MeV)	205	260	315	370	420	487	541	589
# Events	400M	300M	230M	160M	100M	100M	100M	100M

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	Collider Fixed target	Fixed target Lighter ion collisions	Collider Fixed target	Fixed target	Fixed target

CP=Critical Point OD= Onset of Deconfinement DHM=Dense Hadronic Matter

Heavy-ion collisions at RHIC BES

I. A. Karpenko, P. Huovinen, H. Petersen and M. Bleicher, Phys. Rev. C91 (2015) 064901 C. Shen and B. Schenke, Phys. Rev. C97 (2018) 024907



- Nuclei overlapping time is large at low collision energy
- Pre-equilibrium dynamics can play an important role

note: total evolution time ~ 10 fm

Energy-momentum space-time distribution

C. Shen and B. Schenke, Phys. Rev. C97 (2018) 024907 L. Du, U. Heinz and G. Vujanovic, Nucl. Phys. A982 (2019) 407-410



 An extended interaction zone for the energy-momentum sources from the 3D collision geometry
 Dynamically interweaves with hydrodynamics

BEST EOS with a critical point



 The BEST EOS is implemented in the state-of-the-art 3D hydrodynamic code (MUSIC)

Visible difference in the fireball trajectories with a critical point



A detailed quantification of various background correlations in the data-validated state-of-art hydrodynamic framework

[Schenke, Shen, Tribedy, 2019]

New Opportunity: Isobaric Collisions



Data analysis

GOAL: Bayesian Comparison of BEST models to BES data

- Collect and distill data (once BES data are available)
 state uncertainties
- Parameterize BEST beginning-to-end model
 a few dozen parameters; once model is available
- Construct and tune model emulator
 - Gaussian process or machine learning
 - Requires significant computational resources
- Determine (including uncertainty) likelihood of parameters
 - Markov Chain Monte Carlo
 - Parameters describe:
 - EoS, Viscosity, Diffusion constants....
 - and ultimately critical point and anomalous transport

Progress

- Emulators constructed:
 - Gaussian process
 - Machine-learning
 - Comparison underway

- John Bower grad stud, MSU
- Strategies for expressing uncertainties are being developed
- Sample problem
 - Imaging charge correlations
 - Should also be applicable to BES data

 $B_{\pi,\pi}(\Delta y), B_{K,K}(\Delta y), B_{p,p}(\Delta y), B_{p,K}(\Delta y)$ $\div C_{uu}(\Delta\eta), C_{ud}(\Delta\eta), C_{ss}(\Delta\eta), C_{us}(\Delta\eta)$ **Measured by STAR** Correlations in coordinate space



Progress

Charge Balance Functions,



Two emulators constructed: 1. Gaussian Process 2. Neural network Currently being compared

<u>Test of Neural Network Emulator</u> Balance functions used for training Balance function from trained Neural Network True BF using full model

Next steps

- Transport
 - Particlization for deterministic hydro (hydro+)
 - Connect particlization algorithm + SMASH to hydro; test
 - Implement mean field into SMASH transport; test
 - Run full code and calculate global observables such as flow
 - Connect to stochastic hydro; test
 - Match mean field to EOS
 - Ready to calculate fluctuations
- Data analysis
 - Finish warm-up projects
 - imaging
 - Machine learning vs Gaussian emulator comparison
 - Connect statistics codes with full BEST time evolution code
 - Collect statistics from experiments
 - Develop strategy for running, and allocate resources