Studies of Gauge-fixed Fourier acceleration for SU(3) gauge theory

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Outline

- Critical slowing down in Lattice QCD
- Examine softly gauge-fixed 4D SU(3) gauge theory
- Introduce naïve Fourier acceleration
- Study resulting acceleration for 16^4 volume at $\beta = 6$, 7 and 10
- Conclusions

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Critical slowing down and HMC

• Introduce fifth simulation dimension with momenta π_l conjugate to each U_l :

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{l} \pi_{l} \frac{1}{2M} \pi_{l} + \mathcal{S}(U)$$

- HMC executes ballistic motion ("trajectory") between momentum randomizations
- At tree level expect: τ ~ N_{steps} ~ Rρ/a [Kennedy & Pendleton]
- Pure-gauge simulation:
 - $\tau \sim 1/a^2$ [Luscher & Schaefer]
 - Attributed to non-renormalizability of HMC

Fourier acceleration

• Recall for a system of simple harmonic oscillators:

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left\{ \frac{p_i^2}{2M} + \frac{k_i}{2} q_i^2 \right\}$$

- Arrange $j < i \rightarrow k_j < k_i$

- Frequencies are $\omega_i^2 = k_i/M$
- Time between independent samples determined by $1/\omega_1$ but integration step size determined by $1/\omega_N$
- Number of steps ~ ω_N/ω_1 grows with the ratio of scales.
- Growth of effort with ω_N/ω_1 can be eliminated:
 - Make *M* mode-dependent: $M \rightarrow M_i = k_i$
 - Now $\omega_i^2 = k_i/M_i = 1$, removing the problem!

Fourier acceleration & lattice QCD

- "Fourier" acceleration is complicated by local gauge symmetry:
 - Fix the gauge or
 - Identify gauge-covariant "modes", *e.g.* those of gauge covariant Laplacian (RMHMC talk of Sarah Fields)
- Soft gauge fixing:

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{Z} &= \int \mathbf{d}[\mathbf{U}] \frac{\mathrm{e}^{-\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{Wilson}}[\mathbf{U}]} \int \mathbf{d}[\mathbf{g}] \mathrm{e}^{-\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{GF}}[\mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{g}}]}}{\int \mathbf{d}[\mathbf{g}'] \mathrm{e}^{-\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{GF}}[\mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{g}'}]}} \\ &= \int \mathbf{d}[\mathbf{U}] \frac{\mathrm{e}^{-\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{Wilson}}[\mathbf{U}] - \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{GF}}[\mathbf{U}]}{\int \mathbf{d}[\mathbf{g}'] \mathrm{e}^{-\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{GF}}[\mathbf{U}]}} \begin{bmatrix} 1. \ \text{Transform } \mathbf{U} \rightarrow \mathbf{U}^{\mathrm{g}} \\ 2. \ \text{Drop } \int \mathbf{d}[\mathbf{g}] \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

Soft gauge fixing

- Partition function: $Z = \int d[U] \frac{e^{-S_{Wilson}[U] S_{GF}[U]}}{\int d[g'] e^{-S_{GF}[Ug']}}$
- Completely softly gauge-fixed action: $S[U] = S_{Wilson}[U] + S_{GF}[U] + S_{FP}[U]$ $S_{FP}[U] = -\ln\left(\int d[g]e^{-S_{GF}[U^g]}\right)$
- For Landau gauge:

$$\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{GF}}[\mathrm{U}] = -rac{eta\mathrm{M}}{3}\sum_{\mathrm{n},\mu}\mathrm{Tr}\left\{\mathrm{U}_{\mu}(\mathrm{n})
ight\}$$

- Introduced in 1990 to solve Gribov copy problem:
 - D. Zwanziger, Nuclear Physics B345 (1990) 461-471.
 - Parrinello and Jona-Lasinio, Phys Lett B251 175-180.

Fourier acceleration

- Connect links as a torus but set boundary links to the unit matrix:
- Let {\$\phi_{n\mu}\$^T(k,i)}\$_{1 ≤ i ≤ 3} and \$\phi_{n\mu}\$^L(k)\$ be the transverse and longitudinal free-field modes for unit boundaries.



(10)

• Use Fourier-accelerating K.E. term in Hamiltonian:

$$H = \sum_{k,i} \widetilde{\pi}_a^{\rm T}(k,i) \frac{1}{2k^2} \widetilde{\pi}_a^{\rm T}(k,i) + \sum_k \widetilde{\pi}_a^{\rm L}(k) \frac{1}{2M^2} \widetilde{\pi}_a^{\rm L}(k) + S(U)$$

Where

$$\pi_{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{n},\mu) = \sum_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{i}} \widetilde{\pi}_{\mathbf{a}}^{\mathrm{T}}(\mathbf{k},\mathbf{i})\phi_{\mathbf{n}\mu}^{\mathrm{T}}(\mathbf{k},\mathbf{i}) + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \widetilde{\pi}_{\mathbf{a}}^{\mathrm{L}}(\mathbf{k})\phi_{\mathbf{n}\mu}^{\mathrm{L}}(\mathbf{k})$$

Computational Details

- SU(3) gauge theory, Wilson action
- 16⁴ volume, $\beta = 6, 7, 10$ and 100
- Between 5K and 10K (GF)HMC trajectories
- Trajectory lengths of 0.6, 1.0 and 2.0 MD time units
- Soft gauge fixing
 - M = 3 for gauge fixed case
 - 200 heatbath sweeps for inner Monte Carlo
 - Small $\Delta t = 0.0125$, average plaquette is accurate at 1/1000
- Boundary conditions:
 - Unit link: see previous slide
 - Frozen: equilibrate configuration with periodic BCs, then leave links on boundary fixed.
- Study flowed Wilson energy, varying flow time.

• Compare $\beta = 10$ and 7



• At β = 7.0 compare two trajectory lengths: 1.0 and 0.6 MD units:



• Compare β = 7.0 and 6.0, trajectory length 1.0 MD units, unit link BC:



Compare b=6.0 4-volume versus time-slice averaged:



Conclusions

- Gauge-fixed Fourier acceleration reduces autocorrelation 3x at β = 7.0 for SU(3) Yang-Mills
- Using free-field modes appears to be important
- Acceleration of volume-averaged, flowed Wilson energy disappears at $\beta = 6.0$ (confined)
- Some acceleration may remain at β = 6.0 for timeslice averages?
- See presentations of Erik Lundstrum (Nambu HMC) and Sarah Fields (RMHMC) tomorrow at 2:15 and 2:35 in LT2.



Physical DWF ensembles

