

Lattice QCD on Non-Orientable Manifolds

Part I

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Topological Freezing

Topological charge is the integral

$$Q = \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^4x q(x)$$

over the topological charge density

$$q(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \text{tr} (F_{\mu\nu}(x) F_{\rho\sigma}(x))$$

- discretized in finite volume on $\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{T}^4$
- topological invariant
- MC algorithms with small "step" size in field space: problem for ergodicity, diverging τ_{int} of slow modes



Ideas

Why introduce non-orientable manifolds?

- Topological freezing
 - topological structure of field space
 - topological charge Q
 - pseudoscalar
 - orientation

Several Ansätze in literature, e.g.

- subvolumes [Brower:2014bqa]
- metadynamics [Laio:2015era]
- multiscale equilibration [Endres:2015yca]
- open boundary conditions [Luscher:2011kk]

[Mo 14:15 Bietenholz]

[Tu 10:45 Endres]

[Tu 15:40 Toussaint]

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Open Boundaries

- Topological structure of the field space depends on **gauge group** and **space-time**

Open Boundaries

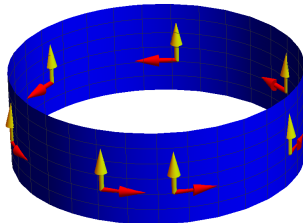
- change topology of **space-time** and **field space**
→ charge is not discretized
- break translational invariance strongly at the boundaries
→ local structure of **space-time**, local QFT is changed
→ effect propagates into the bulk

Alternative:

- different change in the topology of **space-time** without any local changes of **space-time**

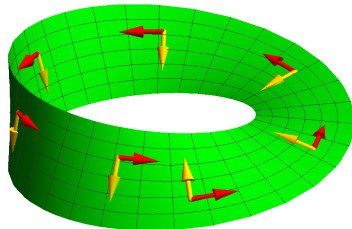
Orientability

orientable:



The One Ring

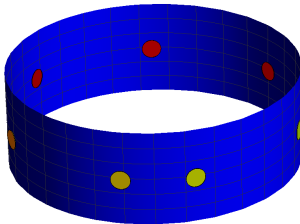
non-orientable:



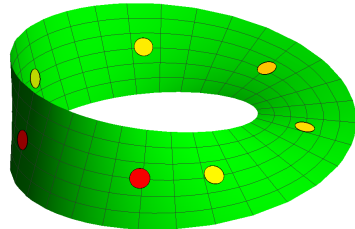
The Möbius Strip

Topological Charge and Orientability

$q(x)$ is a pseudoscalar density



orientable roundtrip:
no effect on charge



non-orientable roundtrip:
changes sign of charge



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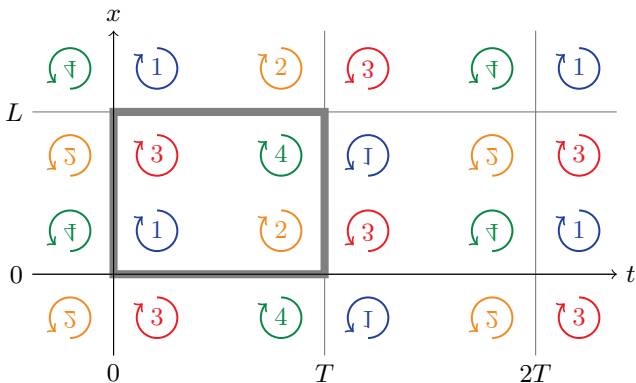
P-Boundaries

- Replace the periodic boundary conditions in one direction by P-periodic boundaries
- i.e. implement an additional parity transformation P on all fields in the boundary condition

Result:

- Topology of **space-time** changes
→ topology of **field space** changes
- Charge is P-odd, continuous translation in P-direction
→ **charge cannot be discretized**
- No hard local breaking of **translation invariance**

Construction on the Universal Cover





Integration on Non-Orientable Manifolds

- No global volume form to define integration
- But volume element
 - integrate scalar densities
 - cannot integrate pseudoscalar density $q(x)$

Workaround using local volume form:

Define a total charge Q_m on a maximal oriented submanifold

$$Q_m = \int_0^T dt \int d^3\mathbf{x} q(x)$$

(same expression for open boundaries)

Drop index "m": $Q := Q_m$



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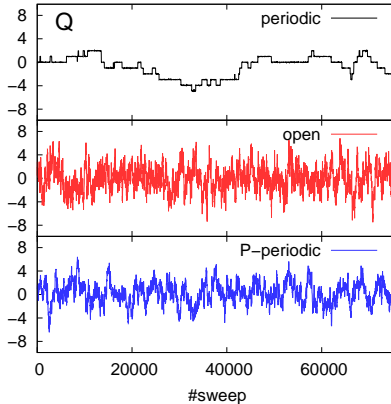
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History of the topological charge Q



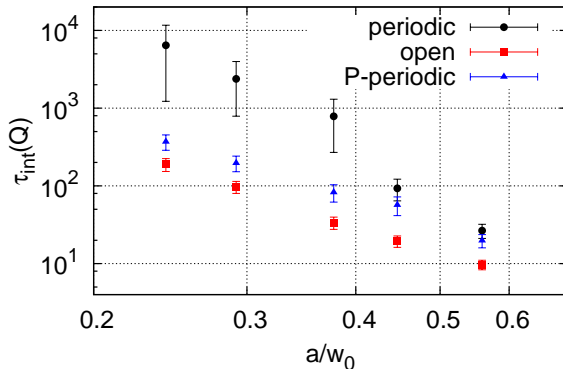
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Integrated autocorrelation time



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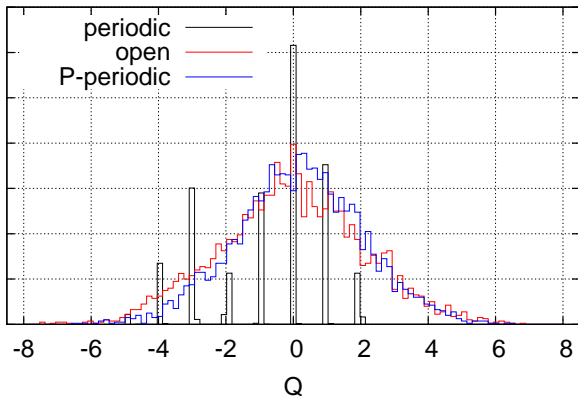


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Histogram of the topological charge



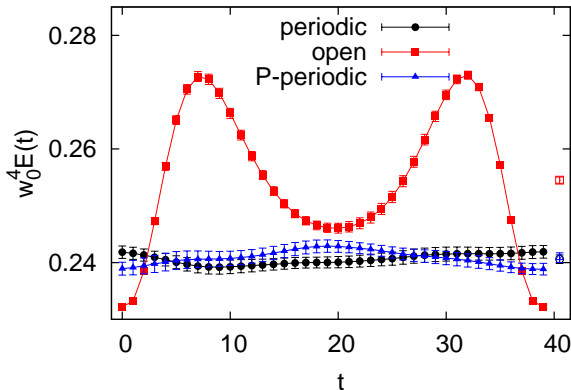
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Time slice averaged action density



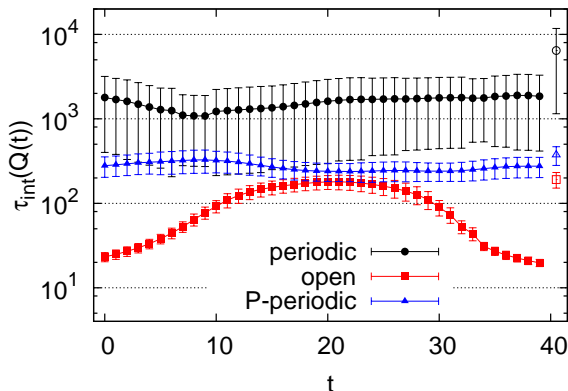
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Instanton picture

Observables are well-behaved

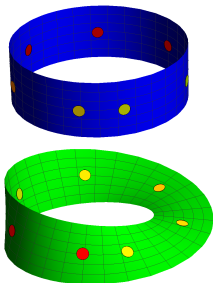
→ classical field space is connected? **NO!**

- Instantons reflect sectors: $Q = N_+ - N_-$
- Instanton dynamics connects sectors:
pair-creation, propagation + lattice artefacts

Torus: $Q = N_+ - N_-$ conserved
→ ∞ sectors

Open: $N_+ \pm N_-$ not well defined
→ **1** sector

P: $N_+ + N_-$ conserved mod 2
→ **2** sectors!





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Open issues:

- two remaining **sectors** of classical field space
⇒ more details in **Balints talk**
- include fermions: **spinors** on non-orientable manifolds
⇒ construction in **Balints talk**

Non-orientable manifolds are **useful** and **interesting**:

- improve topological autocorrelations
⇒ **similar** to open boundaries
- suppressed breaking of translational symmetry
⇒ **better** than open boundaries
- **new toy** in lattice QCD toolbox ⇒ **new opportunities**





Diffusion Model

Describe autocorrelations in simulation time
[McGlynn, Mawhinney, PRD **90** (2014) 7]

$$C(t, t_0, \tau) \equiv \langle Q(t + t_0, \tau_0 + \tau) Q(t_0, \tau_0) \rangle$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} C(t, t_0, \tau) = D \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} C(t, t_0, \tau) - \frac{1}{\tau_{\text{tunn}}} C(t, t_0, \tau),$$

- topological charge $Q(t, \tau)$ on a time slice t at simulation time τ
- diffusion constant D
- timescale for topological charge tunneling τ_{tunn}



Diffusion Model

- Solutions determine integrated autocorrelation time
- Solutions determined by symmetry of boundaries

Boundary	periodicity	τ_{int}
Torus	$C(t + T, t_0, \tau) = C(t, t_0, \tau)$	$\propto \tau_{\text{tunn}}$
P	$C(t + T, t_0, \tau) = -C(t, t_0, \tau)$	$\propto D^{-1}$
Open $t_0 = \frac{T}{2}$	" $C(t + T, \frac{T}{2}, \tau) = -C(t, \frac{T}{2}, \tau)$ "	$\propto D^{-1}$

- Same τ_{int} for P and (middle of) open
- Only torus is dependent on τ_{tunn} for small τ_{tunn}



P-Boundaries: Actual Implementation (Pure Gauge)

- Easier to implement in parallel than P transformation:
Reflection R_x of single coordinate x
- $R_x \equiv P \times$ rotation by π

$$U_x(x, y, z, t + T) = U_x^\dagger(L - x - 1, y, z, t),$$
$$U_i(x, y, z, t + T) = U_i(L - x, y, z, t)$$

for $i = y, z, t$. In the other three directions we keep the usual periodic boundary condition.



Quenched Parameters

- Symanzik gauge action
- sweeps of one heatbath plus four overrelaxation
- fixed physical size of $L = T \sim 2.27/T_c$

L	β	w_0	$a[\text{fm}]$	n_{sweep}
16	4.42466	1.79	0.093	2×4001
20	4.57857	2.24	0.075	3×4001
24	4.70965	2.65	0.063	4×4001
32	4.92555	3.43	0.049	10×4001
40	5.1	4.13	0.040	19×4001



Remarks on Observables

Topological Susceptibility on P-boundaries:

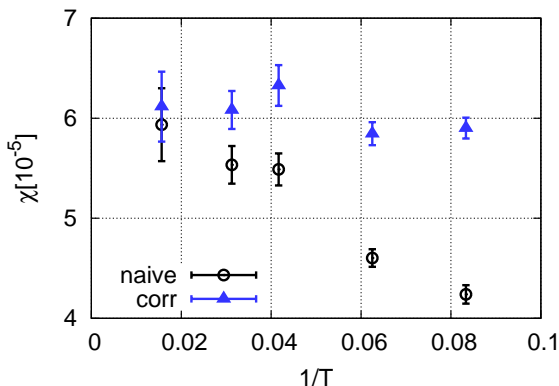
$$\chi = \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^4x \langle q(0)q(x) \rangle \neq \frac{1}{V_4} \langle Q^2 \rangle$$

due to missing translational symmetry of $q(x)$
(similar to [subvolume method](#))

Alternative:

- evaluate $\chi = \int_0^T dt \int d^3x \langle q(\mathbf{0}, T/2)q(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle$ directly
⇒ [reduced](#) finite volume errors

Observables: FV dependence



$\beta = 4.42466$, lattice spacing $a = 0.093$ fm,
 fixed spatial size L , only temporal size T changes