# Recent theoretical developments on heavy quarkonia in QGP

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## Hard probes



Probes that are created at the beginning of the collision (typically because its creation needs a high energy) that get modified in a substantial way and that are relatively easy to detect. In this talk we focus in the ones related with heavy quarkonium

<sup>1</sup>Picture taken from d'Enterria (2007)

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## Recombination



Two heavy quarks coming from different origin may recombine to form a new quarkonium state.

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Image: A matrix

## Recombination: Bottomonia vs Charmonia

#### Bottomonia

The dilute limit is valid



Recombination from uncorrelated heavy quark is unlikely



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Possible classification of theory approaches

#### According to how the medium-quarkonium interaction is computed

- Perturbation theory, HTL.
- Input from lattice QCD.
- EFT
- Potential model

#### According to how the evolution of quarkonium is computed

- Quantum master equation.
- Rate or Boltzmann equation.
- Langevin-like equation.
- Statistical hadronization model.

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### Decay rate

#### Boltzmann equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}f_{nl}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{p},t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}}f_{nl}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{p},t) = C_{nl}^{(+)}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{p},t) - C_{nl}^{(+)}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{p},t)$$

for example in Yao and Mehen (2019). Or rate equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}p_n = -\Gamma(p_n - p_n^{eq})$$

sometimes assuming that sourcing particles are in equilibrium (Rapp and Zhao (2010), Ferreiro (2014)).

Processes contributing to the decay width are:

- Gluo-dissociation. Dominant for  $E \gg m_D$ .
- Inelastic parton scattering. Dominant for  $E \ll m_D$ . Related to the imaginary part of Laine's potential.

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- The imaginary part is seen in the time-ordered correlator. What happens with the number of quarkonium states?

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- We need to derive the master equation from QCD. This has been done in:
  - Perturbation theory. Akamatsu (2015,2020), Blaizot and Escobedo (2017,2018).
  - Potential non-relativistic QCD (pNRQCD) in the  $\frac{1}{r} \gg T$  regime. Brambilla et al. (2016,2017).

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In the case of quarkonium, the Markovian limit corresponds to the case in which the energy of the particles in the environment is larger than the binding energy.

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## Connections



RWA approximation discussed in Yao and Müller (2019), Blaizot and Escobedo (2018).

Relation to Langevin-like eq. discussed in Blaizot and Escobedo (2018).

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### State-of-the-art, recent works

work	system	quantum	dimensions	dilute limit?	equilibration
Brambilla et al. (2023)	В	$\checkmark$	3D	Yes	?
Delorme et al. (2023)	B,C	$\checkmark$	1D	Yes	?
T. Song et al. (2023)	B,C	√ (Remler)	3D	No	$\checkmark$
Wu et al. (2023)	Bc (B,C,exotics)	Х	3D	No	$\checkmark$
Miura et al. (2022)	B,C	$\checkmark$	1D	Yes	$\checkmark$
Yao et al. (2021)	C	Х	3D	No	$\checkmark$

#### In HF/Quarkonia parallel:

- P. Gossiaux, Tuesday 10:50.
- B. Scheihing, Tuesday 12:10.
- W. Xing, Wednesday 09:20.
- S. Delorme, Wednesday 11:10.
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- In QED, the Lindblad equation with E/T is well approximated by a Langevin equation, which leads to the classical equilibrium distribution if it exists.

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#### Brambilla et al, 2023



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  - Quantum trajectories method or Monte Carlo wave function method. Discussed for HQ in Brambilla et al. (2021).

#### The Monte-Carlo Wave Function method

Take the Lindblad equation

$$\partial_t \rho = -i[H(\gamma), \rho] + \sum_k (C_k(\kappa)\rho C_k^{\dagger}(\kappa) - \frac{1}{2} \{C_k^{\dagger}(\kappa)C_k(\kappa), \rho\})$$

Let us define

$$\Gamma_n = C_n^{\dagger} C_n \qquad \Gamma = \sum_n \Gamma_n$$

and

$$H_{\rm eff} = H - i \frac{\Gamma}{2}$$

 $\rho(t) = \sum_{n} p_{n} |\Psi_{n}(t)\rangle \langle \Psi_{n}(t)|$ . If we know how to evolve the case  $\rho(t) = |\Psi(t)\rangle \langle \Psi(t)|$ , it is straightforward to generalize.

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### The Monte-Carlo Wave Function method

The algorithm to evolve from t to t + dt

- With probability  $1 \langle \Psi(t) | \Gamma | \Psi(t) \rangle dt$ .
  - Evolve the wave-function with  $(1 iH_{eff}dt)|\Psi(t)\rangle$ . In our case, this implies solving a 1D Schrödinger equation because  $H_{eff}$  does not mix states with different color or angular momentum.
- With probability  $\langle \Psi(t) | \Gamma_n | \Psi(t) \rangle dt$ .
  - Take a quantum jump,  $|\Psi(t)
    angle o C_n|\Psi(t)
    angle.$
  - Only here transitions between different color and angular momentum are allowed.
- Normalize the resulting wave-function.

The average of this stochastic evolution of the wave-function is equivalent to the Lindblad equation for the density matrix.

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# How does the quantum trajectory method encode each effect?

- Screening. Through the Hermitian part of the Hamiltonian. If there are no bound states the heavy quark and antiquark will separate.
- Decay width. Through the Non-hermitian part of the Hamiltonian. Possibility to take a quantum jump to an unbound state.
- Recombination. Through jump operator. Finite probability to jump back to a bound state.

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