

Study of screening in QED₂ with new observables

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$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi} (i\partial - g\mathcal{A} - m) \psi - \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$$

[Eller, Pauli, Brodsky '87]:

In quantized model there are fermions b_n^\dagger and antifermions d_n^\dagger .

$$Q = \sum_n (b_n^\dagger b_n - d_n^\dagger d_n) \quad \text{charge operator}$$

$$P^+ = \frac{2\pi}{L} \sum_n n (b_n^\dagger b_n + d_n^\dagger d_n) \equiv \frac{2\pi}{L} K \quad \text{momentum operator}$$

$$M^2 = m^2 K H_0 + \frac{g^2}{\pi} K V \quad \text{invariant mass}$$

- K, Q, M^2 commute \rightarrow choose single K and Q and diagonalize M^2 .
- M^2 is infinite for $Q \neq 0 \rightarrow$ take only states with $Q = 0$.
- for single K the mass operator is a finite matrix

Parametrization

$$M^2 = m^2 KH_0 + \frac{g^2}{\pi} KV = \tilde{m}^2 ((1 - \lambda^2) KH_0 + \lambda^2 KV)$$

\tilde{m} only scales $M^2 \rightarrow$ set $\tilde{m} = 1$

$$\lambda^2 = (1 + \pi(m/g)^2)^{-1}$$

$$\lambda^2 \approx \frac{g^2}{\pi m^2} \quad \text{for small } \frac{g}{m} \text{ - weak coupling limit}$$

$$\lambda^2 \approx 1 - \frac{\pi m^2}{g^2} \quad \text{for small } \frac{m}{g} \text{ - small mass limit}$$

Length scaling

$$P^+ = \frac{2\pi}{L} K$$

P^+ total momentum

K cutoff

L size of the system ($x \in (-L, L)$ with periodic bc)

For constant P^+ length L scales with cutoff ($L \sim K$).

States in Hilbert space with cutoff K

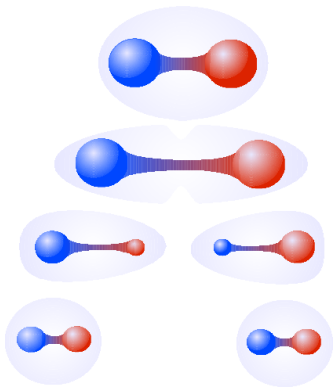
$$|\mathbf{n}; \bar{\mathbf{n}}\rangle = |n_1, \dots, n_N; \bar{n}_1, \dots, \bar{n}_N\rangle = b_{n_1}^\dagger \dots b_{n_N}^\dagger d_{\bar{n}_1}^\dagger \dots d_{\bar{n}_N}^\dagger |\emptyset\rangle$$

$$\sum n_i + \sum \bar{n}_i = K$$

String picture

at small distances energy is proportional to the separation of particles $E = \sigma \Delta$
 σ - string tension

at large distances it is favorable to create additional pair - string breaks



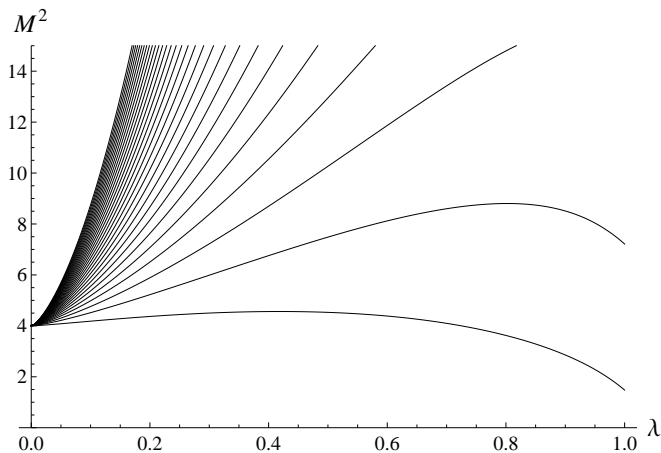
Idea:

- can study string tension in (dynamical) bound states in sector with two particles
- multiparticle states \rightarrow screening \rightarrow string breaking

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Masses in two particle sector



30 lowest mass states for different values of λ and $K = 400$.

Exclusive wavefunction in two particle sector (DFT)

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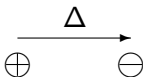
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$$\phi_2(\Delta) = \sum_n e^{-i(\xi_1 n + \xi_2 \bar{n})} \tilde{\phi}_2(n, \bar{n})$$

$$\xi_i \in (-\pi, \pi)$$

$$= e^{-iK\xi_2} \sum_n e^{i\Delta n} \tilde{\phi}_2(n, \bar{n})$$

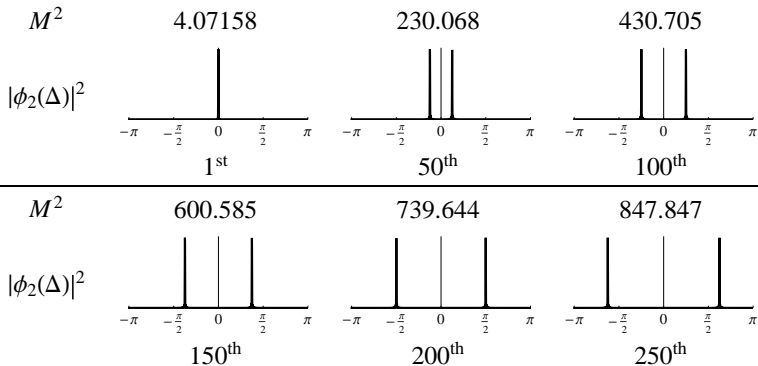


$|\phi_2(\Delta)|^2$ is probability distribution

of distance between fermion and antifermion

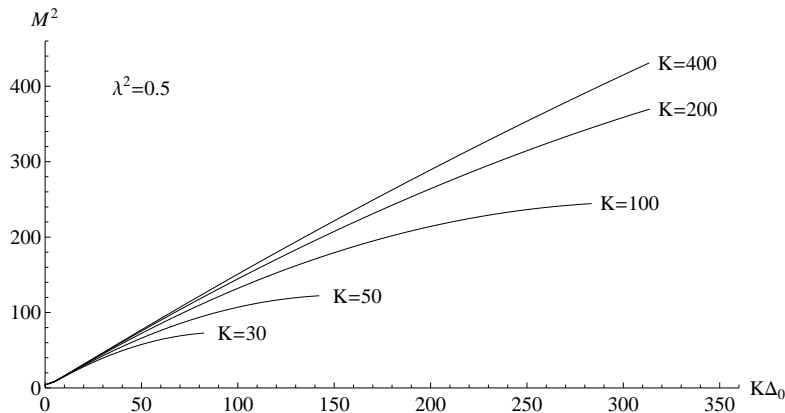
Two particle sector - masses and wavefunctions

parameters: $\lambda^2 = 0.5$, $K = 400$



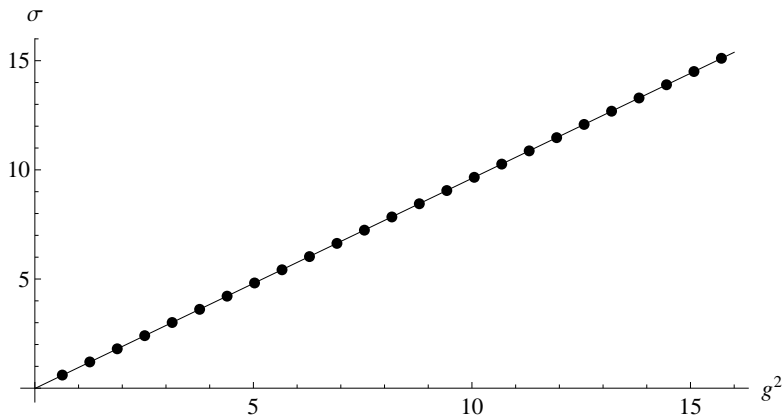
Fermion is located at $\Delta = 0$. Antifermion is at $\Delta = \pm\Delta_0$.
Represent M^2 as a function of Δ_0 .

Mass dependence on pair separation



$M^2(\Delta_0)$ converges to a straight line for growing K
 $M^2(\Delta_0) = m_0^2 + \sigma K \Delta_0 \Rightarrow \sigma \approx 1.5$

String tension as a function of g



Set $m = 1$. String tension is proportional to g^2 .

$$\sigma \approx -0.01 + 0.96g^2$$

Conclusions

Two particle sector:

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How is this changed by multiparticle sectors?
Can this string be broken?

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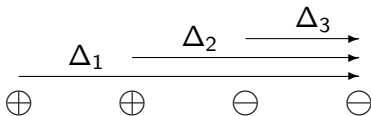
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$$\phi_4(\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta_3) = e^{-iK\xi_4} \sum_{n_1, n_2, \bar{n}_1} e^{i(\Delta_1 n_1 + \Delta_2 n_2 + \Delta_3 \bar{n}_1)} \tilde{\phi}_4(\mathfrak{n}, \bar{\mathfrak{n}})$$

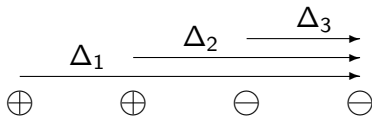


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Function $|\phi_4(\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta_3)|^2$ depends on 3 variables

→ construct inclusive functions of one variable.

Inclusive functions

General formula: [Dorigoni, Veneziano, Wosiek '10]

$$D(\Delta) = \int d^{p-1} \vec{\Delta} \sum \delta(\Delta - \Delta_{ij}) |\phi_p(\vec{\Delta})|^2$$

Examples:

$D_{ff}(\Delta)$ probability distribution of a distance Δ
between two fermions

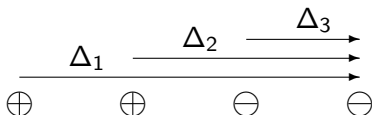
$D_{f\bar{f}}(\Delta)$ probability distribution of a distance Δ between one fermion
and **any antifermion**

$D_{f\bar{f}}^{nn}(\Delta)$ probability distribution of a distance Δ between one fermion
and **the nearest antifermion**

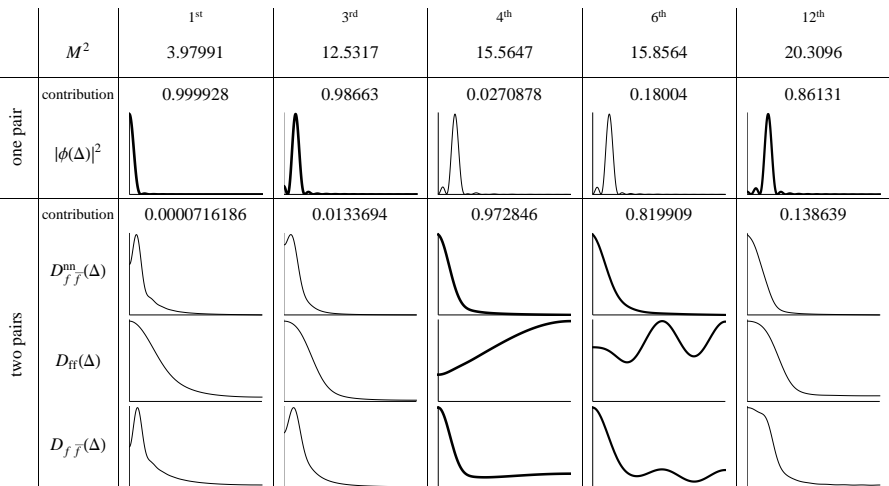
Inclusive functions

$$D_{ff}(\Delta) = \int d\Delta_1 d\Delta_2 d\Delta_3 \delta(\Delta - (\Delta_1 - \Delta_2)) |\phi_4(\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta_3)|^2$$

$$D_{f\bar{f}}(\Delta) = \int d\Delta_1 d\Delta_2 d\Delta_3 \left[\delta(\Delta - (\Delta_1 - \Delta_3)) + \delta(\Delta - \Delta_1) + \delta(\Delta - (\Delta_2 - \Delta_3)) + \delta(\Delta - \Delta_2) \right] |\phi_4(\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta_3)|^2$$

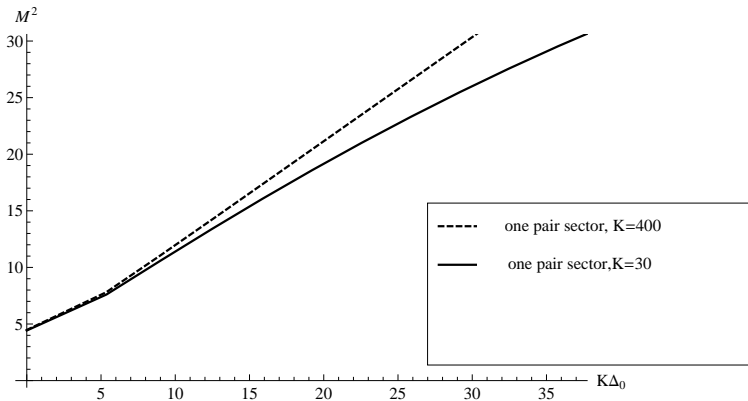


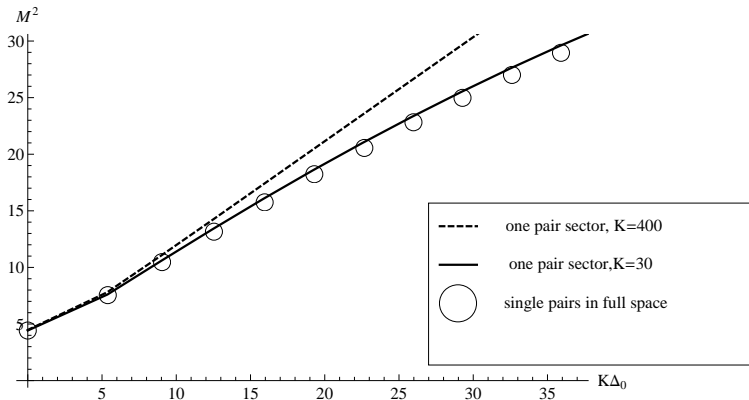
Inclusive functions ($K = 30, \lambda^2 = 0.5$)

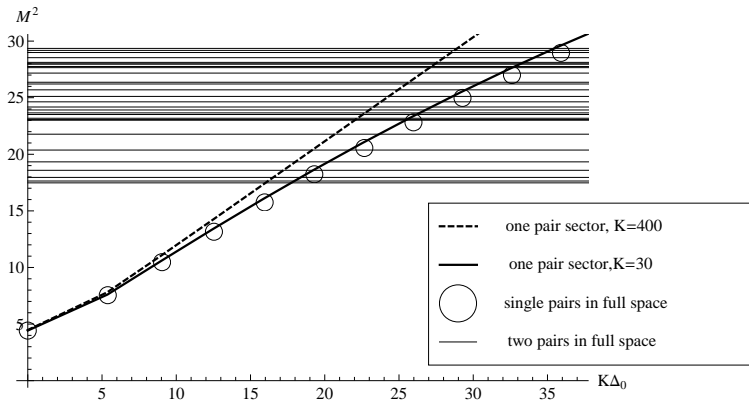


String remains at small distances.

At larger distances Δ_0 additional pair is created \rightarrow screening \rightarrow breaking of a string.

String breaking ($K = 30$, $\lambda^2 = 0.3$)

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- at distance large enough the string is broken
- maximal length of the string shortens for growing λ

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Summary

- inclusive functions give insight into structure of the mass states
- at small distances M^2 is proportional to separation of two particles
- at some distance additional pair screens the interaction (state with 4 particles) \Rightarrow string is broken
- additional pair screens the interaction
- string breaks earlier for stronger coupling / lower bare mass

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Inclusive function for the nearest neighbor

$$\begin{aligned} D_{f\bar{f}}^{nn}(\Delta) = & \int d\Delta_1 d\Delta_2 \left[\delta(\Delta - (\Delta_1 - \Delta_3)) \int_0^{2\pi-2\Delta} d\Delta_3 \right. \\ & + \delta(\Delta - \Delta_1) \int_{2\Delta}^{2\pi} d\Delta_3 + \delta(\Delta - (\Delta_2 - \Delta_3)) \int_0^{2\pi-2\Delta} d\Delta_3 \\ & \left. + \delta(\Delta - \Delta_2) \int_{2\Delta}^{2\pi} d\Delta_3 \right] |\phi_4(\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta_3)|^2 \end{aligned}$$