

QCD inspired meson model and Swinger-Dyson equation for massless quark.

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Abstract

We present ideas that are usually not taken into account in QCD studies: importance of formulation in Minkowski-spacetime and effect of an operator product expansion by means of normal ordering of fields in lagrangian. We demonstrate a possible way from QCD lagrangian to effective action of strong interaction. Then we derive a Schwinger–Dyson equation for quark and study it both analytically and numerically. We consider a simplest possible model, but methods and ideas can be used in more general case.

Outline:

Effective Action of Strong Interaction

Solution of the massless Schwinger-Dyson equation

Numerical solution

Analytical estimations

Effective Action of Strong Interaction

We start with $N_c = 3$, $N_f = 1$:


$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} - A_\mu^a j^{a\mu} + \bar{\psi}(i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m)\psi$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + gf^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c \qquad j^{a\mu} = -g\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu \frac{\lambda^a}{2}\psi$$

We want to derive from this lagrangian an effective action for meson-like bound state¹, under some *restrictions* and *assumptions*:

- ▶ A first restriction is a choice of frame of reference. Below after some calculation we obtain a bound state which at whole will be at rest in this frame of reference. So only *static* problems considered.

Gauge: $\partial_k A_k^a(x) = 0$

¹There were a lot of attempts of making this: Arbutov, Volkov; Efimov, Ivanov, Nedelko; etc. 

After quantization the A_μ^a become an operator field. Vacuum 2-point correlator:

$$\langle 0 | A_i^a(x) A_j^b(x) | 0 \rangle = 2C_g \delta_{ij} \delta^{ab}$$

- ▶ Suppose that $C_g \neq 0$ and $C_g < \infty$. In fact C_g should depend on energy, but we also suppose that C_g is constant.

Assuming $C_g \neq 0$, make normal ordering in lagrangian (standard approach is $C_g = 0$). The gluon term²:

$$-\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{A}_i^a \dot{A}_i^a - \frac{1}{4} F_{ij}^a F^{a ij} + \frac{1}{2} A_0^a (-\Delta + M_g^2) A_0^a + \dots$$

where: $M_g^2 \equiv 6g^2 C_g N_c$.

- ▶ Let us consider dotted terms as perturbation.

²That is consistent with phenomenology that at small energies gluon effectively have mass (Scadron, Politzer, Zakharov, etc.).

Generating functional:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}A_\mu^a \delta(\partial_k A_k^a) \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}\psi \exp \left[i \int d^4x \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{A}_i^a \dot{A}_i^a - \frac{1}{4} F_{ij}^a F^{aj} + \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + \frac{1}{2} A_0^a (-\Delta + M_g^2) A_0^a - A_0^a j_0^a + A_i^a j_i^a + \bar{\psi} (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) \psi \right) + \right. \\ \left. + i \int d^4x (A_i^a J^{ai} + \bar{\eta} \psi + \bar{\psi} \eta) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Make integration over A_0^a .

A Fierz-like transform of the color Gell-Mann matrices:

$$\frac{\lambda^{ar_1r_2}}{2} \frac{\lambda^{as_2s_1}}{2} = \frac{1}{3} \delta^{r_1s_1} \delta^{r_2s_2} + \frac{1}{6} \epsilon^{tr_1s_2} \epsilon^{ts_1r_2}$$

- ▶ As we want to consider only colorless mesons, we neglect the second term.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Rewrite using } \mathcal{K}: & -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x d^4y j_0^a(x) \delta(x^0 - y^0) \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{e^{-M_g |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|}}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|} j_0^a(y) = \\
 & = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x_1 d^4x_2 d^3\mathbf{y}_1 d^3\mathbf{y}_2 \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_1}^{r_1}(x_1) \psi^{\alpha_2 r_2}(x_2) \delta^{r_1 s_1} \times \\
 & \quad \times \underbrace{\gamma^{0\alpha_1}_{\alpha_2} \delta^4(x_1 - x_2) \frac{g^2}{12\pi} \frac{e^{-M_g |\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{y}_2|}}{|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{y}_2|} \delta^3(\mathbf{y}_1 - \mathbf{y}_2) \gamma^{0\beta_2}_{\beta_1}}_{\mathcal{K}^{\alpha_1}_{\beta_1 \alpha_2}{}^{\beta_2}(x_1, \mathbf{y}_1; x_2, \mathbf{y}_2)} \times \\
 & \quad \times \delta^{r_2 s_2} \bar{\psi}_{\beta_2}^{s_2}(x_2, \mathbf{y}_2) \psi^{\beta_1 s_1}(x_1^0, \mathbf{y}_1) + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Let's consider $\psi^{\alpha s}(x^0, \mathbf{x}) \bar{\psi}_{\beta}^s(x^0, \mathbf{y})$ as a real bilocal field.

The color index s is summing inside the pair $\psi \bar{\psi}$, so the pair $\psi \bar{\psi}$ as whole is colorless.

Introduce new bilocal field $\mathcal{M}_{\beta}^{\alpha}(x^0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ and make a bosonization (Habbard-Stratanovich) transform.

Finally:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{Z} = & \int \mathcal{D}A_k^a \delta(\partial_k A_k^a) \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\mathcal{M} \\
 & \exp \left[i \int d^4x \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{A}_i^a \dot{A}_i^a - \frac{1}{4} F_{ij}^a F^{aij} + A_i^a j_i^a + \bar{\psi} (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) \psi \right) + \right. \\
 & \quad + \frac{i}{2} \int d^4x_1 d^4x_2 d^3\mathbf{y}_1 d^3\mathbf{y}_2 \mathcal{M}^T_{\alpha_1}{}^{\beta_1}(x_1^0, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1) \times \\
 & \quad \quad \times \mathcal{K}^{-1\alpha_1}{}_{\beta_1\alpha_2}{}^{\beta_2}(x_1, \mathbf{y}_1; x_2, \mathbf{y}_2) \mathcal{M}^{\alpha_2}{}_{\beta_2}(x_2^0, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) + \\
 & \quad \quad + i \int d^4x d^3\mathbf{y} \bar{\psi}_\alpha(x^0, \mathbf{x}) \psi^\beta(x^0, \mathbf{y}) \mathcal{M}^\alpha{}_\beta(x^0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \\
 & \quad \quad \left. + i \int d^4x (A_i^a J^{ai} + \bar{\eta} \psi + \bar{\psi} \eta) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

For quantization of Bilocal Fields we use Stationary Phase method (semiclassical approximation).

After integrating over fermions:

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}A_k^a \delta(\partial_k A_k^a) \mathcal{D}\mathcal{M} e^{iS_{eff}}$$

Swinger-Dyson (Gap) equation – fermion spectrum³:

$$\frac{\delta S_{eff}}{\delta \mathcal{M}} (A_k^a = 0, \bar{\eta} = 0, \eta = 0, J = 0) = 0$$

Search the solution in the form

$$\mathcal{M}^\alpha_\beta(x^0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = -\Sigma^\alpha_\beta(x^0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + m\delta^\alpha_\beta \delta^3(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$$

³Bethe-Salpeter equation – bound state spectrum:

$$\frac{\delta^2 S_{eff}}{\delta \mathcal{M}^2} (\mathcal{M} = -\Sigma + m) \Gamma = 0$$

The Swinger-Dyson equation takes form:

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma^{\alpha_1}_{\beta_1}(x_1^0, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1) &= m \delta^{\alpha_1}_{\beta_1} \delta^3(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{y}_1) + \\ &+ 3i \int d^4x_2 d^4y_2 \mathcal{K}^{\alpha_1}_{\beta_1 \alpha_2 \beta_2}(x_1, \mathbf{y}_1; x_2, \mathbf{y}_2) G_{\Sigma}^{\alpha_2}_{\beta_2}(x_2, y_2) \delta(x_2^0 - y_2^0) \end{aligned}$$

where: $G_{\Sigma}^{-1\alpha}_{\beta}(x, y) = i\gamma^{\mu\alpha}_{\beta} \partial_{\mu} \delta^4(x - y) - \Sigma^{\alpha}_{\beta}(x^0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \delta(x^0 - y^0)$

► Try next ansatz:

$$\Sigma^{\alpha}_{\beta}(x^0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \delta^{\alpha}_{\beta} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}}} M(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$$

After Fourier-transform:

$$M(\mathbf{p}) \delta^{\alpha_1}_{\beta_1} = m \delta^{\alpha_1}_{\beta_1} - i \frac{g^2}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^4q \frac{1}{(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})^2 + M_g^2} \gamma^{0\alpha_1}_{\alpha_2} G_{\Sigma}^{\alpha_2}_{\beta_2}(q) \gamma^{0\beta_2}_{\beta_1}$$

where:

$$G_{\Sigma}(q) = e^{-\gamma^i \frac{q_i}{|\mathbf{q}|} \varphi(\mathbf{q})} \left(\frac{1}{q_0 + E(\mathbf{q}) - i\varepsilon} \cdot \frac{1 + \gamma^0}{2} + \frac{1}{q_0 - E(\mathbf{q}) + i\varepsilon} \cdot \frac{1 - \gamma^0}{2} \right) e^{\gamma^i \frac{q_i}{|\mathbf{q}|} \varphi(\mathbf{q})} \gamma^0$$

$$E(\mathbf{q}) \equiv \sqrt{M(\mathbf{q})^2 + \mathbf{q}^2}$$

$$\cos 2\varphi(\mathbf{q}) \equiv \frac{M(\mathbf{q})}{E(\mathbf{q})}$$

We can see that one can direct integrate over q_0 .

After integrating over solid angles, finally:

$$M(p) = m + \frac{g^2}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{1}{p} \int_0^{\infty} dq \frac{qM(q)}{\sqrt{M^2(q) + q^2}} \ln \left(\frac{M_g^2 + (p+q)^2}{M_g^2 + (p-q)^2} \right)$$

Solution of the massless Schwinger-Dyson equation

- ▶ $m = 0$.
- ▶ $M(q) \rightarrow 0$ at $q \rightarrow \infty$, (\Rightarrow no renormalization is need).

Introduce dimensionless variables:

$$\bar{p} \equiv \frac{p}{M_g} \quad \bar{q} \equiv \frac{q}{M_g} \quad \bar{M}(\bar{p}) \equiv \frac{M(p)}{M_g}$$

The Schwinger-Dyson equation takes form:

$$\bar{M}(\bar{p}) = \frac{g^2}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{1}{\bar{p}} \int_0^\infty d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{q} \bar{M}(\bar{q})}{\sqrt{M^2(\bar{q}) + \bar{q}^2}} \ln \left(\frac{1 + (\bar{p} + \bar{q})^2}{1 + (\bar{p} - \bar{q})^2} \right)$$

There is always a solution: $\bar{M}(\bar{p}) = 0$

Put by definition $\bar{M}(-\bar{p}) = \bar{M}(\bar{p})$, than:

$$\bar{M}(\bar{p}) = \frac{g^2}{2(4\pi)^2} \frac{1}{\bar{p}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{q} \bar{M}(\bar{q})}{\sqrt{M^2(\bar{q}) + \bar{q}^2}} \ln \left(\frac{1 + (\bar{p} + \bar{q})^2}{1 + (\bar{p} - \bar{q})^2} \right)$$

Numerical solution

Things that should be avoided:

1. Upper limit of integration must be $+\infty$, and can not be replaced by finite quantity Λ .
2. $\bar{M}(+\infty) = 0$, otherwise integral diverge.
3. It is better to avoid replacing continuous function $\bar{M}(\bar{p})$ by a discrete table $\bar{M}(\bar{p}_i)$ with fixed numbers of points \bar{p}_i .

Introduce:

$$W(\bar{q}) \equiv \frac{\bar{q}\bar{M}(\bar{q})}{\sqrt{\bar{M}^2(\bar{q}) + \bar{q}^2}}$$

Introduce new variables: $\bar{p} = \lambda \tan \frac{\varphi}{2}$, $\varphi \in (-\pi, \pi)$
 $\bar{q} = \lambda \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$, $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi)$

where λ - some parameter.

Schwinger-Dyson equation takes form:

$$\bar{M}(\varphi) = \frac{g^2}{2(4\pi)^2} \int_{-\pi}^{+\pi} \frac{d\theta}{2 \tan \frac{\varphi}{2} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \ln \left(\frac{1 + \lambda^2 (\tan \frac{\varphi}{2} + \tan \frac{\theta}{2})^2}{1 + \lambda^2 (\tan \frac{\varphi}{2} - \tan \frac{\theta}{2})^2} \right) W(\theta)$$

On $[-\pi, \pi]$ there is convenient system of functions – Fourier series:

$$\bar{M}(\varphi) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cdot \cos k\varphi \qquad W(\theta) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \cdot \sin k\theta$$

The equation:

$$a_k = A_{kj} b_j$$

where: $A_{kj} \equiv \frac{g^2}{32\pi^3} M_{kj}$, where:

$$M_{kj} \equiv \int_{-\pi}^{+\pi} d\varphi \int_{-\pi}^{+\pi} d\theta \frac{\cos(k\varphi)}{2 \tan \frac{\varphi}{2} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \ln \left(1 + \frac{\lambda^2 \sin \varphi \sin \theta}{(\cos \frac{\varphi}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2})^2 + (\lambda \sin \frac{\varphi-\theta}{2})^2} \right) \sin(j\theta)$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 W_0(\varphi) \\
 \downarrow \\
 \text{to Fourier coeff. } b_j \\
 \downarrow \\
 a_k = A_{kj} b_j \quad \longrightarrow \quad \bar{M}(\varphi) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \cdot \cos k\varphi \\
 \uparrow \\
 \text{to Fourier coeff. } b_j \quad \longleftarrow \quad W(\varphi) = \frac{\lambda \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} \bar{M}(\varphi)}{\sqrt{(\cos \frac{\varphi}{2} \bar{M}(\varphi))^2 + (\lambda \sin \frac{\varphi}{2})^2}} \\
 \downarrow \\
 W(\theta) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k \cdot \sin k\theta \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{Insert in exact SD equation}
 \end{array}
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There is only $\bar{M}(\bar{p}) = 0$ solution at $g^2 < 16$.

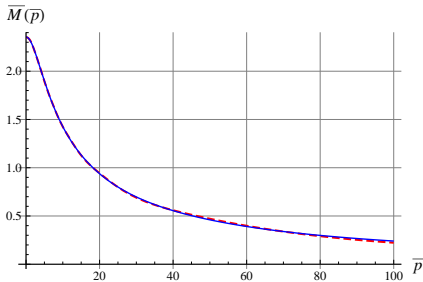


Figure: Plot of $\bar{M}(\bar{p})$, at $g^2 = 18$, $\lambda = 10$, 13 harmonics.

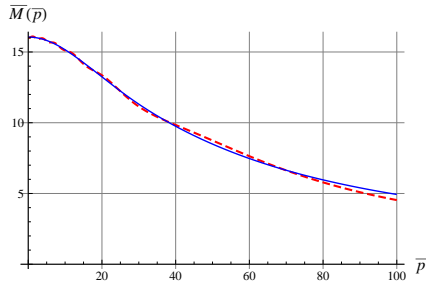


Figure: Plot of $\bar{M}(\bar{p})$, at $g^2 = 19$, $\lambda = 10$, 13 harmonics.

Analytical estimations.

Try to find asymptotical behavior of $\bar{M}(\bar{p})$ at large \bar{p} .

The Schwinger-Dyson equation:

$$\bar{M}(\bar{p}) = \frac{g^2}{2(4\pi)^2} \frac{1}{\bar{p}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{q}\bar{M}(\bar{q})}{\sqrt{\bar{M}^2(\bar{q}) + \bar{q}^2}} \ln\left(\frac{1 + (\bar{p} + \bar{q})^2}{1 + (\bar{p} - \bar{q})^2}\right)$$

$$\Updownarrow_{\bar{q} \mapsto -\bar{q}}$$

$$\bar{M}(\bar{p}) = -\frac{g^2}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{1}{\bar{p}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{q}\bar{M}(\bar{q})}{\sqrt{\bar{M}^2(\bar{q}) + \bar{q}^2}} \ln\left(1 + (\bar{p} - \bar{q})^2\right)$$

We try to solve approximate equation, where $\bar{M}_0 \equiv \bar{M}(0)$:

$$\bar{M}(\bar{p}) = -\frac{g^2}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{1}{\bar{p}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{q}\bar{M}(\bar{q})}{\sqrt{\bar{M}_0^2 + \bar{q}^2}} \ln\left(1 + (\bar{p} - \bar{q})^2\right)$$

Introduce: $\mathcal{W}(\bar{q}) \equiv \frac{\bar{q}\bar{M}(\bar{q})}{\sqrt{\bar{M}_0^2 + \bar{q}^2}}$

$$\sqrt{\bar{M}_0^2 + \bar{p}^2} \mathcal{W}(\bar{p}) = -\frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\bar{q} \ln\left(1 + (\bar{p} - \bar{q})^2\right) \mathcal{W}(\bar{q})$$

After Fourier transform:

$$\sqrt{\bar{M}_0^2 - \partial^2} \mathcal{W}(x) = \frac{g^2}{8\pi} \frac{e^{-|x|}}{|x|} \mathcal{W}(x)$$

Consider $\bar{p} \rightarrow \infty$ asymptotics.

$$\sqrt{\bar{M}_0^2 + \bar{p}^2} \rightarrow |\bar{p}|$$

It corresponds $x \rightarrow 0$, so Taylor expansion can be used.

Try next ansatz:

$$\bar{M}(\bar{p}) = C \frac{1}{|\bar{p}|^\beta}$$

The SD equation is self-consistent if:

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{g^2} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{\cot\left(\frac{\pi\beta}{2}\right)}{(1-\beta)}}$$

Hence: $g^2 \leq 16$

$$0 < \beta < 2$$

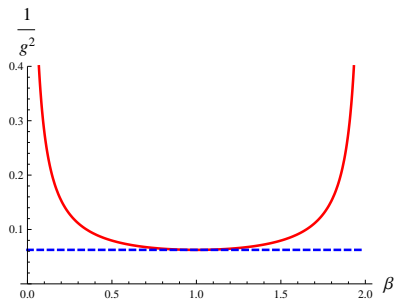


Figure: Plot $\frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{\cot\left(\frac{\pi\beta}{2}\right)}{(1-\beta)}$ and $\frac{1}{16}$.

Let us subtract from equation the asymptotic:

$$\bar{M}(\bar{p}) - C \frac{1}{\bar{p}^\beta} = \frac{g^2}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{1}{\bar{p}} \int_0^\infty d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{q} \bar{M}(\bar{q})}{\sqrt{M^2(\bar{q}) + \bar{q}^2}} \ln \left(\frac{1 + (\bar{p} + \bar{q})^2}{1 + (\bar{p} - \bar{q})^2} \right) - C \int_0^\infty d\bar{q} \frac{\beta}{(\bar{p} + \bar{q})^\beta}$$

After integration over \bar{p} and substitution $g^2 < 16$:

$$\int_0^\infty d\bar{p} \left(\bar{M}(\bar{p}) - C \frac{1}{\bar{p}^\beta} \right) < \int_0^\infty d\bar{q} \left(\frac{\bar{q} \bar{M}(\bar{q})}{\sqrt{M^2(\bar{q}) + \bar{q}^2}} - C \frac{1}{\bar{q}^\beta} \right)$$

what is a impossible.

Therefore there is no asymptotic with $0 < \beta < 1$.

Analogously one can prove that asymptotic with $0 < \beta < 1$ also is not exist.

The nontrivial solution exist only at $g^2 = 16$.⁴

At $\bar{p} \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\bar{M}(\bar{p}) \sim \frac{1}{\bar{p}}$$

⁴ $\alpha_s = \frac{g^2}{4\pi} = \frac{4}{\pi}$

Conclusions

1. The simple model of strong interaction with massive gluon was constructed.
2. In framework of this model we studied the Swinger-Dyson equation for quark analytically and numerically and got that nontrivial solution appear only at $g^2 = 16$ with asymptotic $\bar{M}(\bar{p}) \sim \frac{1}{\bar{p}}$.
3. The created programs for numerical calculation of the Swinger-Dyson equation can be used not only in our case but for various kernels.