

# Finite temperature monopole correlators in holographic liquids

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- Definition of magnetic monopole operator
- Motivations from cond-matt and AdS/CFT point of view
- Introduction to bulk magnetic monopole: a specific top-down approach
- Monopole correlators in BH/ME phases
- Monopole correlators in a compressible finite-density phase (Fermi liquid phase)
- Comparison of the results:  
QFT vs  $T = 0$  AdS/CFT approach vs finite  $T$  AdS/CFT approach
- Conclusions and outlook

- Magnetic monopole operator  $\mathcal{M}(x_m)$  [Borokhov-Kapustin-Wu'02]
  - In a  $U(1)$   $(2 + 1)$ d gauge theory: It is a localized defect that inserts a magnetic flux at a certain point  $x_m$
  - in a path integral formalism: In a  $(2 + 1)$ d field theory with a global  $U(1)$ : Apply an external gauge field  $a_\mu$  coupled to the current  $j_\mu$

$$S_{QFT} \rightarrow S_{QFT} - \int d^3x a_\mu j^\mu$$

and promote  $a_\mu$  to be dynamical with boundary condition

$$df = q_m \delta^{(3)}(x - x_m)$$

where  $f = da$ , then

$$\langle \mathcal{M}(x_m) \rangle = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \int_{df=q_m \delta^{(3)}(x-x_m)} [Da][D\varphi] e^{S_{QFT} - \int d^3x a_\mu j^\mu}$$

- In a  $(2 + 1)$ d field theory global topological  $U(1)$  conserved current

$$\tilde{j}^\mu \sim \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} f_{\mu\nu}$$

BUT now:

$$\langle \partial_\mu \tilde{j}^\mu(x) \mathcal{M}(x_m) \rangle \sim q_m \delta^{(3)}(x - x_m) \langle \mathcal{M}(x_m) \rangle + \dots$$

“particle” with magnetic charge  $q_m$  with respect to  $\tilde{j}^\mu$

- Vortex-creating operator [Borokhov-Kapustin-Wu'02]: insertion at  $x_m$  of a vortex charge  $q_m$  (magnetic flux through  $S^2$  centred at  $x_m$ )
- Topological disorder operator

# Monopole operators: why?

- non-local and non-perturbative (Dirac quantization): intrinsically interesting objects
- from a condensed matter point of view: order parameter in quantum phase transition
  - continuous quantum phase transition from an antiferromagnet to a valence bond solid phase: described by a  $\mathbb{C}P^N$  model with a condensation of monopoles at the critical point [Read'89][Read'90] [Murthy-Sachdev'90]
  - phase transition between compressible phases (superfluid and solid phase) in a doped  $(2 + 1)d$  conformal field theory [Sachdev '12]

- **Idea:**  
monopole operators relevant in a holographic approach to study quantum matter phases  
[Faulkner-Iqbal'12][Sachdev'12][Iqbal'14][Filev'14]
- **Goal:**
  - How does the system react to an injection of magnetic flux?
  - Different matter phases are characterized by different answers to this question
  - Relevant observables: monopole two-point functions
- **Strategy:** Computation of monopole correlators in AdS/CFT

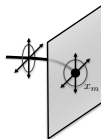
# Bulk monopoles at large $N$ : general idea

- The idea is [Sachdev'12] [Witten'03]:

On the bulk a particle electrically charged under  $A$  is dual to a (heavy) operator which carries a charge under  $j$  (the dual boundary current)

On the bulk a particle magnetically charged under  $A$  is dual to a (heavy) operator which carries a magnetic charge under  $j$  (picture by [Iqbal'14])

- This is what we define a bulk magnetic monopole



- We will work with a top-down construction employed by Iqbal [Iqbal'14]

# Bulk monopoles: a top-down model I

## ■ Background: D3/ probe-D5

- $N \gg 1$  D3-branes:  $\text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$  background
- D5-brane: probe and intersecting the D3's along  $(2 + 1)$ -d (embedding:  $\text{AdS}_4 \times S^2$ )

	$t$	$x$	$y$	$x_{\perp}$	$u$	$\psi$	$\theta$	$\phi$	$\tilde{\theta}$	$\tilde{\phi}$
$N$ D3 (background)	x	x	x	x						
probe D5 (background)	x	x	x		x		x	x		

- Field theory content:  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM in  $(3 + 1)$ -d with fundamental matter charged under  $SU(N)$  living in the  $(2 + 1)$ -d defect with a  $U(1)_B$  baryon number current

[DeWolfe-Freedman-Ooguri'01][Erdmenger-Guralnik-Kirsch'02][Karch-Katz'02]

- We focus on  $(2 + 1)$ -d defect field theory and  $U(1)_B$  baryon number current



## Bulk monopoles: a top-down model II

- add an extra probe D3: wrapping an  $S^2 \subset S^5$  and its boundary  $(s, \theta, \phi)$  ends on D5-brane
- D3 describes a world-line  $\mathcal{C}$  in  $\text{AdS}_4$

	$t$	$x$	$y$	$x_\perp$	$z$	$\psi$	$\theta$	$\phi$	$\tilde{\theta}$	$\tilde{\phi}$
$N$ D3s	×	×	×	×						
probe D5	×	×	×		×		×	×		
probe D3	×					×	×	×		

- $D(p-2)$ -branes ending on  $Dp$ -branes appear as magnetic charges in the  $Dp$  world-volume [Strominger'99]

Bulk monopole is a wrapped D3 ending on D5:  
magnetically charged point-particle in  $\text{AdS}_4$  [Iqbal'14]

## From bulk to boundary monopoles: a top-down model III

- When one end of the D3 world-line reaches the boundary at some point  $x_m$ , this corresponds to an insertion of a magnetic charge at a point  $x_m$ : boundary monopole operator
- In the large  $N$  limit, boundary monopole correlators computed by the D3 action [Iqbal'14]:

$$\langle \mathcal{M}(\Delta x) \mathcal{M}^\dagger(0) \rangle \sim e^{-S_{D3}[\Delta x]}$$

where  $\Delta x$  is separation among the two D3 ends.

- This is the object we are going to compute at finite  $T$

# How do we proceed?

- Our background is thermal  $\text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$
- Insert the probe D5: We solve for the various D5 embedding
- Insert the probe D3 (bulk monopole): Compute the action with the condition that its boundary ends on the D5.
- Repeat all the steps for various embeddings and with/without charge on the D5 world-volume.

- Action for the D3 monopole: [Iqbal'14]

$$S_{D3} = T_3 \int_{D3} C_4 - T_3 \int_{D3} \sqrt{-\det(\gamma_3 + 2\pi\alpha' F_3)} + q_m \int_C \tilde{A}.$$

Third term: magnetic coupling between the D3 brane and the gauge field living on the D5

- The gauge invariance of the D3 and D5 action with respect to the gauge transformation of  $C_4$  requires a 3-form Lagrange multiplier at the boundary of the D3

$$q_m \int_{\partial D3} K_3, \quad K_3 \sim \tilde{A} \wedge V_2$$

with  $V_2$  the unit volume on  $S^2$  and  $q_m = \frac{T_3}{2\pi\alpha'T_5} = 2\pi$ .

- $\tilde{A}$  is the 4d magnetic dual of  $A$ , the D5 world-volume gauge field

$$(d\tilde{A})_{LM} \sim \sqrt{-\det(\gamma_5 + 2\pi\alpha' F_5)} \left( (\gamma_5 + 2\pi\alpha' F_5)^{-1} \right)^{NP} \epsilon_{LMNP},$$

At leading order:  $d\tilde{A} \sim \star_4 F$  and is dual to the topological boundary current

- Background metric at  $T = 0$

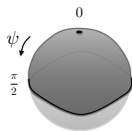
$$ds^2 = \frac{u^2}{R^2} (-dt^2 + dx^2 + dy^2 + dx_{\perp}^2) + \frac{R^2}{u^2} (du^2 + u^2 d\Omega_5^2),$$
$$d\Omega_5^2 = d\psi^2 + \sin^2 \psi d\Omega_2^2 + \cos^2 \psi d\tilde{\Omega}_2^2$$

where  $R$  is the AdS radius.

- D5 embedding:  $\text{AdS}_4 \times S^2$  specified by

$$\psi = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad x_{\perp} = 0$$

- monopole D3: boundary wraps  $S^2$  times a world-line in  $\text{AdS}_4$  and then it extends from  $\psi = 0$  to  $\psi = \frac{\pi}{2}$  picture by [Iqbal'14]



- Here the D3 action

$$S_{D3} = -T_3 \int_{D3} \sqrt{-\det \gamma_3}$$

- The D3 extends in  $(\psi, \theta, \phi)$  directions, and also where it ends on the D5 -brane, i.e. at  $\psi = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$S_{D3} = T_3 \Omega_2 R^3 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^2 \psi d\psi \int_{\mathcal{C}} ds$$

- it is a 4d magnetic monopole with an effective mass

$$m_{bm} R = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^2 \psi d\psi$$

- in a conformal phase we expect [Borokhov-Kapustin-Wu'02]:

$$\langle \mathcal{M}(\Delta \mathbf{x}) \mathcal{M}^\dagger(0) \rangle \sim \frac{1}{|\Delta \mathbf{x}|^{2\Delta}}$$

This is what we get with the dimension of the unit-charge monopole operator at strong coupling given by

$$\Delta = T_3 \Omega_2 R^3 m_{bm} R = \frac{N}{2R}$$

# Charge (un)gapped phase at finite T: The background

- AdS<sub>5</sub> × S<sup>5</sup> metric at finite T:

$$ds^2 = \frac{u^2}{R^2} (-h(u) dt^2 + dx_3^2) + \frac{R^2}{u^2} \left( \frac{du^2}{h(u)} + u^2 \left( d\psi^2 + \sin^2 \psi d\Omega_2^2 + \cos^2 \psi d\tilde{\Omega}_2^2 \right) \right),$$

where  $h(u) = 1 - (u_0/u)^4$  with horizon at  $u = u_0$

- The profile for D5 is described by  $\psi(u)$
- The general action for the D5 brane is

$$S_{D5} = T_5 \int_{D5} 2\pi\alpha' F \wedge C_4 - T_5 \int_{D5} \sqrt{-\det(\gamma_5 + 2\pi\alpha' F)}.$$

- For now: Switch off  $F$

- Helpful coordinates [Mateos et al '07]

$$(u_0 v)^2 = u^2 + \sqrt{u_0^4 - u^4}, \quad \chi = \cos \psi$$

with horizon at  $v = 1$ .

- The  $\text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$  metric is

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{u_0 v}{R} \right)^2 \left[ -\frac{f^2}{\tilde{f}} dt^2 + \tilde{f} dx_3^2 \right] + \frac{R^2}{v^2} (dv^2 + v^2 d\Omega_5^2),$$

where  $f = 1 - 1/v^4$  and  $\tilde{f} = 1 + 1/v^4$ .

- Temperature

$$T = \frac{u_0}{\pi R^2}$$



- The Euclidean D5-action for the D5 embedding specified by  $\chi(v)$

$$\frac{S_{D5}}{\mathcal{N}_5} = \int dv \left(1 - \frac{1}{v^4}\right) \sqrt{(1+v^4)(1-\chi^2)(1-\chi^2+v^2\dot{\chi}^2)}$$

- At the boundary: Asymptotic behaviour for  $\chi$

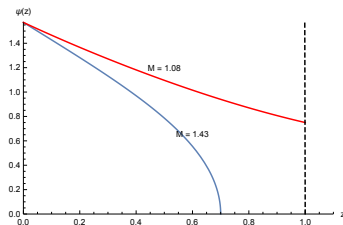
$$\chi(v) \sim \frac{m}{v} + \frac{c}{v^2} + \dots, \quad v \rightarrow \infty$$

- $(m, c)$  are dimensionless and related to the boundary mass  $M_q$  and the “condensate”  $\langle \mathcal{O}_m \rangle$  of  $U(1)_B$  flavour charged d.o.f. [Kobayashi et al. 06] [Mateos et al. 06] [Mateos et al'07]

$$M_q = \frac{v_0}{2\sqrt{2}\pi\ell_s^2} m \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad m = \frac{\bar{M}}{T} = \frac{2\sqrt{2} M_q}{\sqrt{\lambda} T}$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_m \rangle = -\frac{4\pi\ell_s^2}{\sqrt{2}} \Omega_2 T_5 u_0^2 c$$

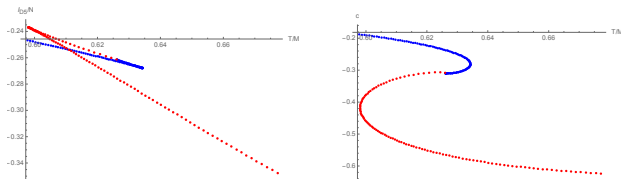
## BH/ME phase: D5 embedding at finite T



- At finite temperature:
  - Minkowski embedding (ME): D5 ends at a finite value of the radial direction  $v_m$ , before to meet the horizon
  - Black-hole embedding (BHE): D5 reaches and enters the horizon  $v = 1$  at some angle  $0 < \psi \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$  ( $0 \leq \chi < 1$ )
- At zero temperature: ME: D5 ends at a finite value of the radial direction  $v_m$ , before to meet the Poincare horizon
- At  $T = 0$  and  $T \neq 0$ : there is always the constant solution:  $\psi = \frac{\pi}{2}$

# D5 phase diagram at finite T

- at finite T there is a 1st order phase transition [Mateos et al. 07]



- at low T: D5 is in a ME: mass gap in “quark-antiquark” flavored charges (ME phase)
- at high T: D5 is in BHE: gapless spectrum (BH phase)

Warning: this is not a confined/deconfined phase transition (there is a horizon now)

- Here the D3 action

$$S_{D3} = -T_3 \int_{D3} \sqrt{-\det \gamma_3}$$

- The D3 extends in  $(s, \psi, \theta, \phi)$  directions, and it ends on the D5 -brane, i.e. at  $\psi = \psi(v)$

$$S_{D3} = \mathcal{N}_3 \int_C ds \int_0^{\psi(v)} \sin^2 \psi d\psi \sqrt{G_{MN} \dot{X}^M \dot{X}^N}$$

- it is a 4D magnetic monopole particle with an effective mass

$$m_{bm}(v)R = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\psi(v)} \sin^2 u du$$

- Recall:  $\psi$  controls the size of the  $S^2$  wrapped by the monopole D3

- For the actual calculations: D3 as a point particle in the effective conformally rescaled metric

$$\bar{G}_{MN} \equiv m_{bm}^2(v) G_{MN}$$

- Geodesic extends along  $(x(s), v(s))$
- Compare against the disconnected configuration
- D3 disconnected configuration

$$\frac{S_{D3}}{\mathcal{N}_3} = 2 \int_{v_m(1)}^{\infty} dv \sqrt{\bar{G}_{vv}} = 2 \int_{v_m(1)}^{\infty} dv \frac{m_{mb}(v)R}{v}$$

# Monopole correlators in BH/ME phase

- Then the monopole action becomes

$$\frac{S_{D3}}{\mathcal{N}_3} = 2 \int_{v_*}^{\infty} dv \sqrt{\frac{\bar{G}_{vv}}{1 - P^2 \bar{G}^{xx}}} = 2 \int_{v_*}^{\infty} dv \frac{m_{bm} R}{v \sqrt{1 - \frac{2\hat{P}^2}{v^2 \tilde{f}}}},$$

where  $P$  is a conserved momentum

$$P \equiv \dot{x} \bar{G}_{xx}, \quad \hat{P} = \frac{P}{\pi m_{bm} R T}$$

- $v_*$  is the turning point:

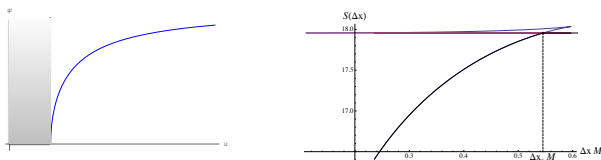
$$P^2 = \bar{G}_{xx}(v_*) \quad \Rightarrow \quad v_*^2 = \hat{P}^2 + \sqrt{\hat{P}^4 - 1} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{P} \geq 1$$

The temperature sets a lower bound on the momentum

- This should be plotted against

$$\Delta x = 2 \int_{v_*}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{G}_{vv}}{1 - P^2 \bar{G}^{xx}}} \bar{G}^{xx} P dv \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Delta x \bar{M} = \frac{4}{\pi} \int_{v_*}^{\infty} \frac{1}{v^3 \tilde{f}} \frac{m \hat{P}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{2\hat{P}^2}{v^2 \tilde{f}}}} dv$$

# Monopole correlators in a charge gapped (ME) phase: $T=0$ [Iqbal'14]



- at  $T=0$  in a charge gapped phase:

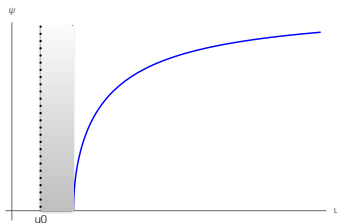
At  $u = u_m$ ,  $\psi(u_m) = 0$  and the effective mass for the monopole D3 goes to zero (wrapped  $S^2$  shrinks to zero moving into the bulk)

closing off of the D5  $\Leftrightarrow$  4d “confinement”  $\Leftrightarrow$  condensate of monopoles

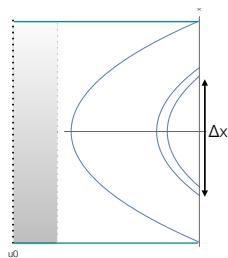
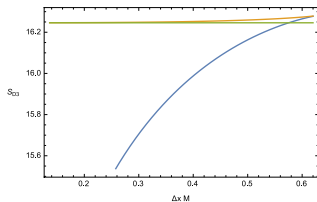
- first order phase transition from a connected to a disconnected configuration at  $T = 0$   
picture by [Iqbal'14]: The correlator develops a vev
- From a QFT approach: in a gapped phase and at large separation [Iqbal'14]:

$$\langle \mathcal{M}(\Delta x) \mathcal{M}^\dagger(0) \rangle \sim \langle \mathcal{M} \rangle^2 \neq 0$$

# Monopole correlators in a ME phase at finite $T$

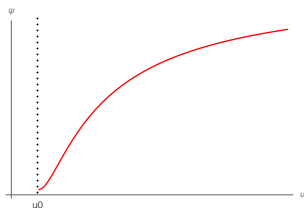


- at non-zero  $T$  in a ME phase: at  $u_m$  the monopole mass is zero: “thermal monopole condensate”
- 1st order phase transition to a disconnected configuration

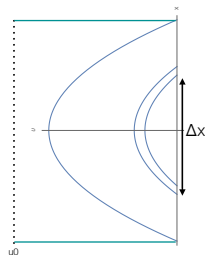
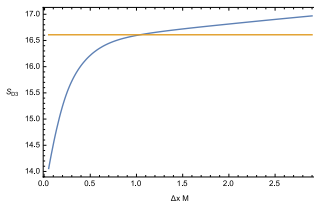




# Monopole correlators in a BH phase at finite $T$

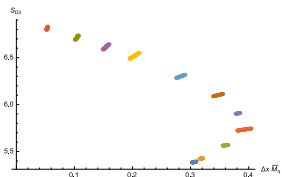
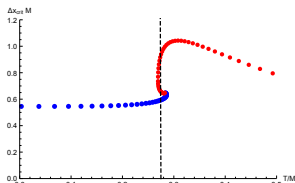


- at non-zero  $T$  in a BHE phase: at  $u_0$  (horizon) the monopole mass is non zero: there is no monopole condensate
- 1st order phase transition to a disconnected configuration



# Monopole correlators in BH/ME phase at finite $T$

- Meaning of the monopole transition: The correlator develops a vev
- Here: The first order phase transition persists at arbitrary high  $T$ : it will always saturates at any  $T$
- How the D5 phase transition affects  $\Delta x_{\text{crit}}$ ?  $\Delta x_{\text{crit}}$  depends on  $T$  and at high  $T$  tends to 0 (plot on the left)
- The transition point moves when increasing  $T$  (plot on the right)



- Now: Switch on a gauge field on the D5 world-volume

$$2\pi\alpha'F = R^2 a'_t(v) dv \wedge dt$$

- The general action for the D5 brane is

$$S_{D5} = T_5 \int_{D5} 2\pi\alpha'F \wedge C_4 - T_5 \int_{D5} \sqrt{-\det(\gamma_5 + 2\pi\alpha'F)}.$$

- The D5-action for the D5 embedding specified by  $\chi(v)$

$$S_{D5} = -\mathcal{N}_5 V_3 \int dv (1 - \chi^2) \chi^2 \tilde{f} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \pi^2 T^2 \frac{f^2}{\tilde{f}} \left( 1 + \frac{v^2 \chi'^2}{1 - \chi^2} \right) - a_t'^2}$$

- The charge density is defined as

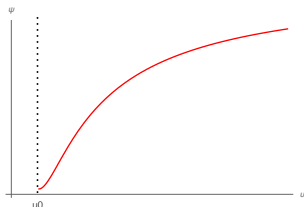
$$\rho = \frac{1}{V_3} \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \frac{\partial S_{D5}}{\partial (\partial_v a_t)} = 2\pi^2 N T^2 \frac{v^2 \tilde{f} a_t' (1 - \chi^2)}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \pi^2 T^2 \frac{f^2}{\tilde{f}} \left( 1 + \frac{v^2 \chi'^2}{1 - \chi^2} \right) - a_t'^2}}$$

- Maxwell e.o.m.: The charge density is conserved

$$\partial_v \rho = 0$$

# Finite-density liquid phase: D5 probe

- Solve e.o.m. for  $\chi$ :
  - at finite  $T$  and charge density  $\rho$ : we can only have a BHE up to  $\psi = \frac{\pi}{2}$  ( $\chi = 0$ ) (no explicit bulk sources)
  - at  $T = 0$  and charge density  $\rho$ : only the massless embedding  $\psi = \frac{\pi}{2}$  ( $\chi = 0$ )



- Here the D3 action: geometrical + magnetic coupling term

$$S_{D3} = -T_3 \int_{D3} \sqrt{-\det \gamma_3} + q_m \int_C \tilde{A}$$

- The magnetic coupling

$$d\tilde{A} = \rho dx \wedge dy$$

- The D3 extends in  $(s, \psi, \theta, \phi)$  directions, and it ends on the D5 -brane, i.e. at  $\psi = \psi(v(s))$

$$S_{D3} = \mathcal{N}_3 \int_C ds \int_0^{\psi(v(s))} \sin^2 \psi d\psi \sqrt{G_{MN} \dot{X}^M \dot{X}^N} + iq_m \int_C \tilde{A}$$

- it is a 4D magnetic monopole particle with an effective mass

$$m_{bm}(v) = \frac{1}{R} \int_0^{\psi(v(s))} \sin^2 u du$$

# Monopole correlators in a finite density phase

- Now the geodesic extends along  $(x(s), y(s), v(s))$ , and explicitly the Euclidean action is

$$\frac{S_{D3}}{\mathcal{N}_3} = \int_{\mathcal{C}} ds - i \tilde{q}_m \rho \int_{\mathcal{C}} ds y(s) \dot{x}(s).$$

- the conserved momenta:

$$P_x = \bar{G}_{xx} \dot{x}(s) - i \omega y(s), \quad P_y = \bar{G}_{xx} \dot{y}(s) + i \omega x(s)$$

where the frequency is nothing but

$$\omega \sim q_m \rho$$

- It is helpful to change the parametrization of the curve  $\mathcal{C}$  such as

$$\bar{G}_{xx} \frac{d}{ds} = \frac{d}{d\eta}, \quad (1)$$

and rewrite the momenta  $P_x, P_y$  as

$$P_x = x'(\eta) - i \omega y(\eta), \quad P_y = y'(\eta) + i \omega x(\eta).$$

# Monopole correlators at finite density phase I

- Solving the geodesic equation with boundary conditions

$$\text{at } \eta = 0 \quad x(0) = 0, \quad v(0) = v_*$$

$$\text{at } \eta = \eta_i \quad x(\eta_i) = \pm \frac{\Delta x}{2}, \quad y(\eta_i) = 0, \quad v(\eta_i) = 0$$

we get

$$x(\eta) = \beta \sinh(\omega \eta), \quad y(\eta) = y_0 + i\beta \cosh(\omega \eta),$$

$$\Delta x = 2\beta \sinh(\omega \eta_i), \quad y_0 = -i\beta \cosh(\omega \eta_i).$$

- The final action for the bulk monopole:

$$\frac{S_{D3}}{\mathcal{N}_3} = 2 \int_{v_*}^{\infty} dv \sqrt{\frac{\bar{G}_{vv}}{1 - (\omega P_x)^2 \bar{G}^{xx}}} - i \bar{q}_m \rho \int_{\mathcal{C}} y \dot{x}$$

and

$$\omega \eta_i = \int_{v_*}^{\infty} dv \omega \bar{G}^{xx} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{G}_{vv}}{1 - (\omega P_x)^2 \bar{G}^{xx}}}$$



# Monopole correlators at finite density phase: massless case

- Computing explicitly the action

$$\frac{S_{D3}}{\mathcal{N}_3} = 2 \int_{v_*}^{\infty} dv \frac{m_{bm} R}{v \sqrt{1 - \frac{2\mathcal{P}^2}{\tilde{f} v^2 (m_{bm} R)^2}}} + \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\mathcal{P}^2}{Q} (\sinh(2\bar{\omega}\bar{\eta}_i) - 2\bar{\omega}\bar{\eta}_i)$$

- with turning point

$$v_*^2 = \frac{\mathcal{P}^2}{(m_{bm} R)^2} + \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{P}^4}{(m_{bm} R)^4} - 1}$$

- to be plotted against

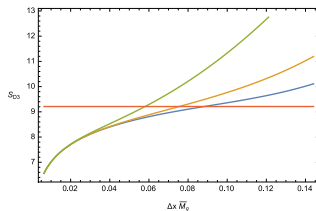
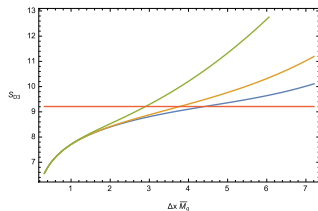
$$\Delta x \bar{M} = 2 \frac{\mathcal{P}}{Q} m \sinh(\bar{\omega}\bar{\eta}_i), \quad Q \sim \frac{\rho}{T^2}$$

- where

$$\bar{\omega}\bar{\eta}_i = \omega\eta_i = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{v_*}^{\infty} dv \frac{Q}{v^3 \tilde{f} m_{bm} R \sqrt{1 - \frac{2\mathcal{P}^2}{\tilde{f} v^2 (m_{bm} R)^2}}}$$

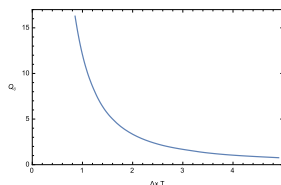
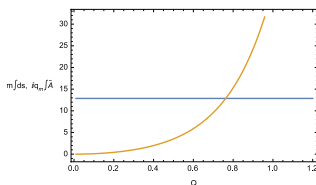
$$\mathcal{P} = \bar{P}_x \bar{\omega}, \quad \bar{P}_x = \bar{M} P_x, \quad \bar{\omega} = \frac{\omega m}{\pi \bar{M}^2}$$

# Finite density phase for massless case: Results I



- On the left: monopole correlators at fixed large temperature for three different charges, blue (small) to green (large)
- On the right: monopole correlators at fixed small temperature for three different charges, blue (small) to green (large)
- Straight line is the corresponding disconnected configuration

## Finite density phase for massless case: Results II



- On the left: At any  $T$  and any given separation, there is a critical charge above which the magnetic coupling is dominant
- On the right: the critical charge rapidly increases as separation decreases
- By fitting the curve at large separation: the bulk monopole action is a Gaussian function of  $\Delta x$
- at  $T=0$  from holographic approach: [Iqbal'14]

$$\langle \mathcal{M}(\Delta x) \mathcal{M}^\dagger(0) \rangle \sim e^{-\frac{|q_m \rho|}{4} (\Delta x)^2}$$

- Compare with a QFT approach: the monopole correlator falls off exponentially [Kaul et al. 08][Kim et al '94][Herbut et al. '03][Hermele et al. '04]

- I reviewed a top-down approach proposed by Iqbal to engineer a bulk monopole operator: wrapped D3 ending on the boundary of a probe D5
- We computed the bulk monopole action at finite  $T$ : in the large  $N$  limit we computed the monopole D3 action at finite  $T$ 
  - gapped and ungapped phase: at any  $T$  the monopole develops a vev
  - finite density phase: for the massless case the monopole correlator decays exponentially

### ... outlook

- For the finite density case: BHE case: is there a competing effect among the two terms?
- what about a superfluid phase?
- a monopole D5 in D3/probe D7
- non-abelian monopoles? higher point functions?

## Bonus track: Magnetic coupling

The general action for the D5 brane is

$$S_{D5} = T_5 \int_{D5} 2\pi\alpha' F \wedge C_4 - T_5 \int_{D5} \sqrt{-\det(\gamma_5 + 2\pi\alpha' F)}. \quad (2)$$

where  $C_4$  is the Ramond-Ramond 4-form,  $F = dA$  the field strength corresponding to the gauge field living on the D5 world-volume, and  $\gamma_5$  the induced D5 world-volume metric. Notice that for the brane configurations investigated in this work, only the second DBI term contributes, since  $C_4$  is proportional to the volume of  $\mathbb{R}^4 \subset \text{AdS}_5$  and the product of the two  $S^2$  in  $S^5$ . The general action for the bulk monopole was computed in [?],

$$S_{D3} = T_3 \int_{D3} C_4 - T_3 \int_{D3} \sqrt{-\det(\gamma_3 + 2\pi\alpha' F)} + q_m \int_C \tilde{A}. \quad (3)$$

$$S_K = \int_{D5} K_3 \wedge dF + q_m \int_{\partial D3} K_3, \quad (4)$$

with

$$\delta_\Lambda C_4 = \Lambda_3, \quad \delta_\Lambda K_3 = -2\pi\alpha' T_5 \Lambda_3. \quad (5)$$

Notice that this also fixes the value of the coupling  $q_m$  to be

$$q_m = \frac{T_3}{2\pi\alpha' T_5} = 2\pi. \quad (6)$$

Adopting the same ansatz as in [?], that is

$$K_3 = \frac{1}{4\pi} \tilde{A} \wedge V_2 \quad (7)$$

$$\mathcal{N}_5 = 2\pi R^2 u_0^2 T_5 = \frac{N}{4\pi} \frac{\lambda}{R^2} T^2$$

$$\mathcal{N}_3 = 2\pi^2 T_3 R^4 = N$$