Heavy quark free energies and Debye screening masses at finite temperature and density

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Abstract: We study the free energies of heavy quarks calculated from Polyakov loop correlation functions in full 2-flavour QCD using the p4-improved staggered fermion action. A small but finite baryon number density is included via Taylor expansion of the fermion determinant in the baryo-chemical potential mu. For temperatures above Tc we extract Debye screening masses from the large distance behaviour of the free energies and compare their mu-dependence to perturbative results.