Deciphering the role of multiple scatterings and time delays in the in-medium emission process

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Energy loss

• Jet quenching: partons interact with QGP and lose energy



- Two available analytical approximations
 - Harmonic oscillator: multiple soft scatterings
 - First opacity or GLV approximation: one single hard scattering

Medium-induced gluon spectrum

• Emission spectrum off a parton with energy E of a soft gluon (BDMPS-Z):

$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega d^2 \boldsymbol{k}} = \frac{2\alpha_s C_R}{(2\pi)^2 \omega^2} \operatorname{Re} \int_0^\infty dt' \int_0^{t'} dt \int_{\boldsymbol{p}\boldsymbol{q}} \boldsymbol{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{q} \ \widetilde{\mathcal{K}}(t', \boldsymbol{q}; t, \boldsymbol{p}) \mathcal{P}(\infty, \boldsymbol{k}; t', \boldsymbol{q})$$

• Recently, new method with no approximations. Full solution obtained numerically by solving two differential equations

$$\partial_{\tau} \mathcal{P}(\tau, \boldsymbol{k}; s, \boldsymbol{l}) = -\frac{1}{2} n(\tau) \int_{\boldsymbol{k}'} \sigma(\boldsymbol{k} - \boldsymbol{k}') \mathcal{P}(\tau, \boldsymbol{k}'; s, \boldsymbol{l})$$

$$\partial_t \widetilde{\mathcal{K}}(s, \boldsymbol{q}; t, \boldsymbol{p}) = \frac{i\boldsymbol{p}^2}{2\omega} \widetilde{\mathcal{K}}(s, \boldsymbol{q}; t, \boldsymbol{p}) + \frac{1}{2}n(t) \int_{\boldsymbol{k}'} \sigma(\boldsymbol{k}' - \boldsymbol{p}) \widetilde{\mathcal{K}}(s, \boldsymbol{q}; t, \boldsymbol{k}')$$

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Improved Opacity Expansion

• HO approximation:

$$v(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \frac{n_0}{2} \int_{\mathbf{q}} e^{-i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}} \,\sigma(\mathbf{q}) \approx \frac{1}{2} \hat{q} \,\mathbf{r}^2$$

• We can make the decomposition (IOE) $v(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\hat{q}_0}{4}\mathbf{r}^2 \left(\ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^{\star 2}}\right) - \ln(\mathbf{r}^2 Q^2) \right) = v_{HO}(\mathbf{r}) + v_{pert}(\mathbf{r})$

with $Q^2 = aQ_c^2$, *a* of order 1

Yacine Mehtar-Tani, JHEP 07 (2019) 057

Joao Barata's talk Sunday for more details

$$Q_c^2 = \sqrt{2\omega \hat{q}_0 \ln\left(rac{Q_c^2}{\mu^{\star 2}}
ight)}$$

Multiple scattering regime



IOE works well in its range of applicability

Coherence effects between multiple scatterings are essential in this region





Why study initial stages?



 v_2 in non central collisions: energy loss in early times modifies it a lot

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All the emissions are medium induced, pure vacuum already subtracted

The calculation

- We just need to do $\int_0^L dt = \int_0^{t_0} dt + \int_{t_0}^L dt$
- Full spectrum: easy to perform numerical evaluation
- Analytical approaches:
 - GLV: difference between no delay and delay is the spectrum of a medium of size t_0 , non trivial result! New energy scale $\bar{\omega}_0 = \frac{1}{2} \mu^2 t_0 = \frac{t_0}{r} \bar{\omega}_c$
 - HO: smaller differences. New energy scale $\omega_0 = \frac{1}{2}\hat{q}t_0^2 = \frac{t_0^2}{L^2}\omega_c$
- Delay effects specially relevant for small energies, that is, for small gluon formation times. For big formation times initial stages are not relevant

$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} = \int_0^\infty \omega \frac{dI}{d\omega d^2 k}$$

Results 1



GLV

HO

Full







Summary

- We evaluated for the first time the effects of delay in medium production
- Specially relevant to understand initial stages of propagation
- Small delays: (almost) no difference between delay and medium of size L
- Large differences for big delays
- This could be important when we study propagation in very asymmetric mediums (v_2 studies for example)
- We need to perform more studies to see to what extend this is actually relevant or not in phenomenology

Thanks!