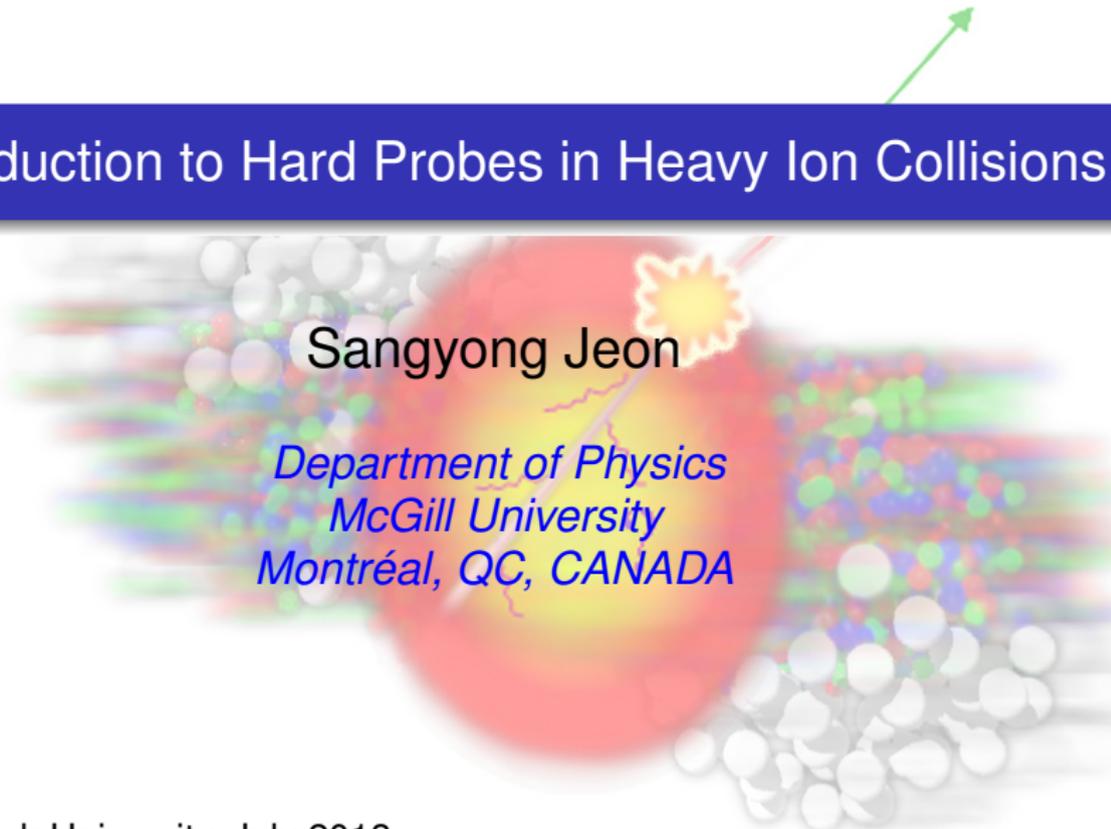


Introduction to Hard Probes in Heavy Ion Collisions



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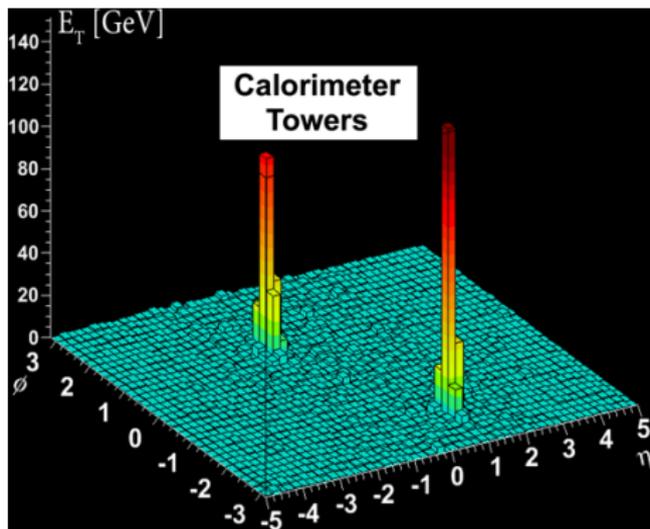
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Jet Quenching

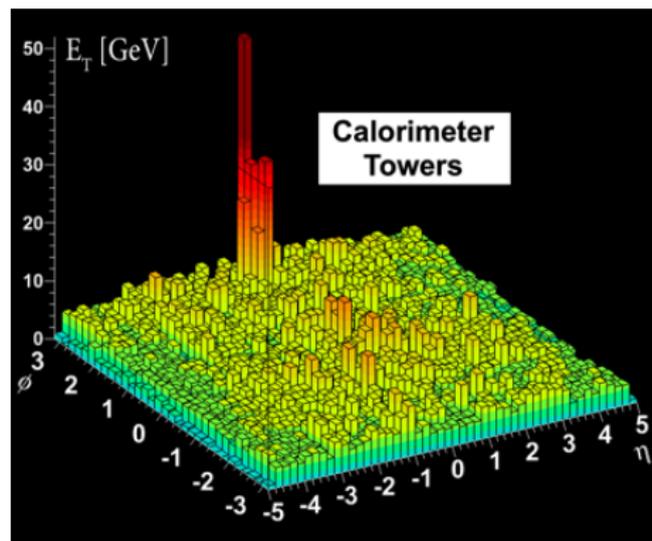
What do we want to learn?

- Medium properties
 - What is it made of? QGP or HG?
 - Thermodynamic properties – Temperature, Equation of state, etc.
 - Transport properties – Mean-free-path, transport coefficients, etc.
- Tools – Change in jet properties
 - Jet Quenching
 - Jet Broadening

Away side jet disappears! – Proof of principle

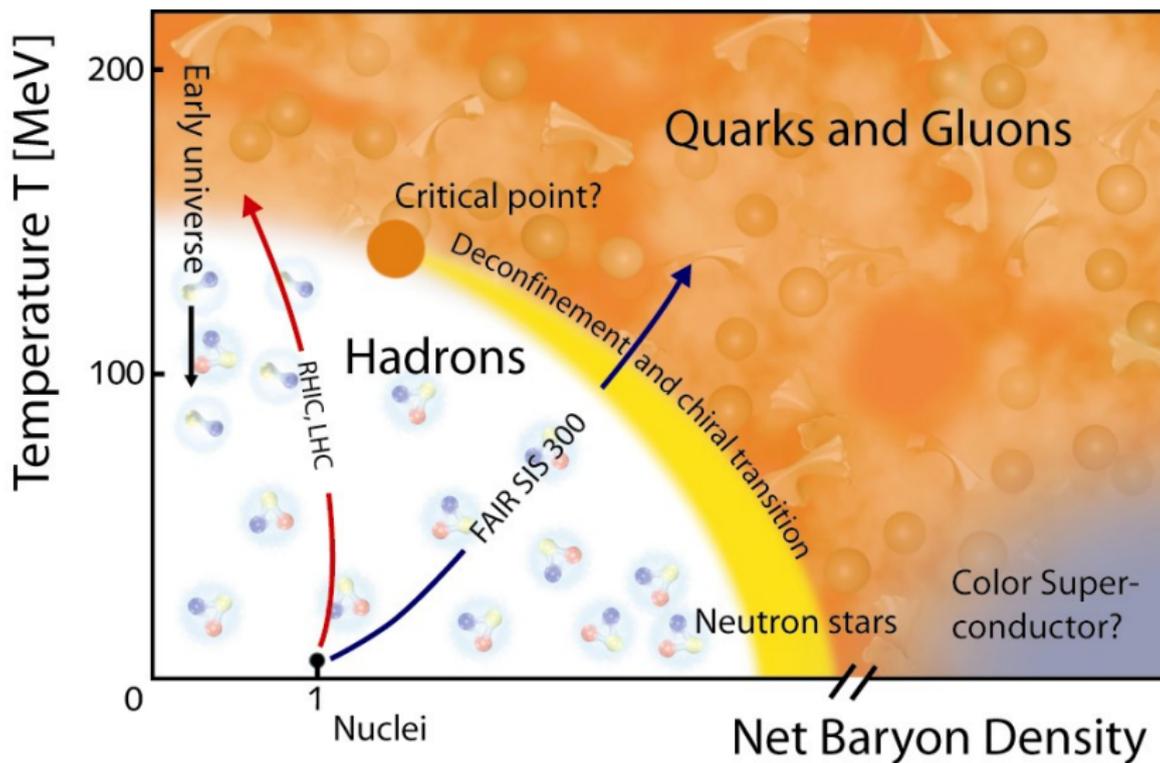


ATLAS: Intact dijets in Pb+Pb



ATLAS: One jet is fully quenched in Pb+Pb

QCD Phase Diagram



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The Nobel Prize in Physics 2004

"for the discovery of asymptotic freedom in the theory of the strong interaction"



David J. Gross

1/3 of the prize

USA

University of California, Kavli
Institute for Theoretical
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b. 1941



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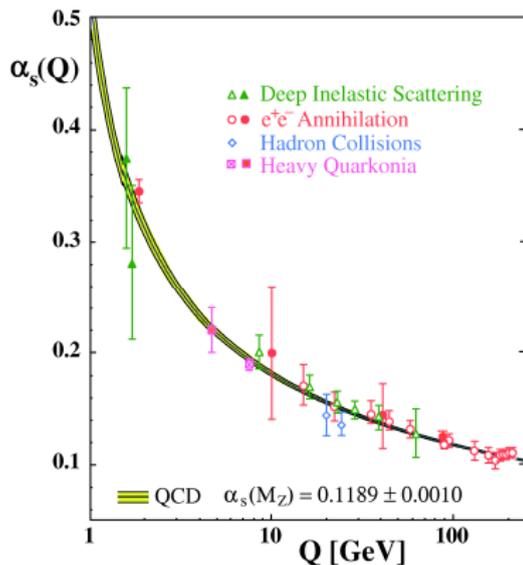
USA

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Cambridge, MA, USA

b. 1951

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QCD is asymptotically free.



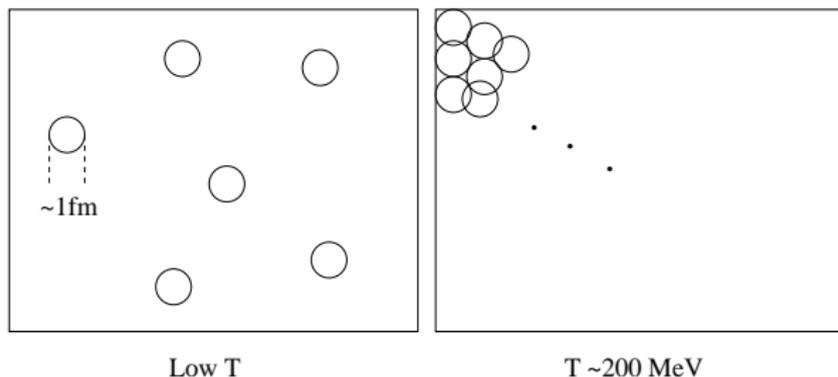
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- Running coupling

$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{12\pi}{(33 - 2N_f) \ln(Q^2/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2)}$$

- When $Q \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sim 200 \text{ MeV}$, the above expression blows up: Not physical. Indicates breakdown of perturbation theory. Hadrons.
- Perturbative QCD is a theory of quarks and gluons *not* hadrons.
- At high T , $Q \sim T$.
- Possible phase transition around $T \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$?
- If $Q \sim T \rightarrow \infty$, $\alpha_s \rightarrow 0$: Weakly coupled
- At $Q \sim \text{few GeV}$, $\alpha_s \sim 0.2 - 0.4$

Another estimate of $T_{\text{transition}}$



- Density: Consider a pion gas.

$$n = 3 \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{e^{E_p/T} - 1} = 0.37 T^3$$

As T becomes larger, more and more pair creation results.

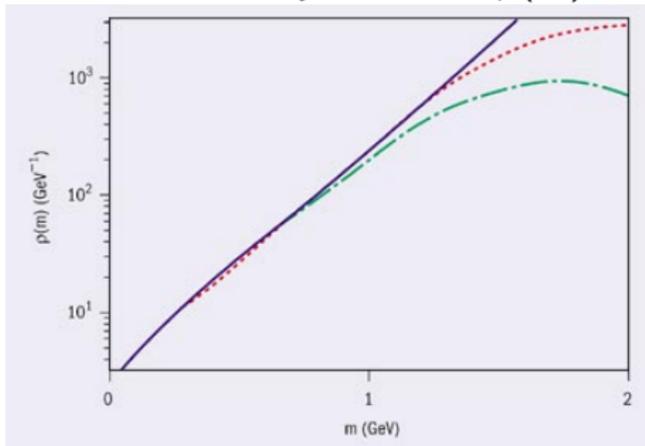
- Inter particle distance:

$$l_{\text{inter}} = n^{1/3} = 1.4/T$$

At $T = 200 \text{ MeV}$, $l_{\text{inter}} \approx 1.4 \text{ fm} \approx d_\pi$

Hagedorn Temperature

Hadronic density of states $\rho(m) \sim e^{m/T_H}$:

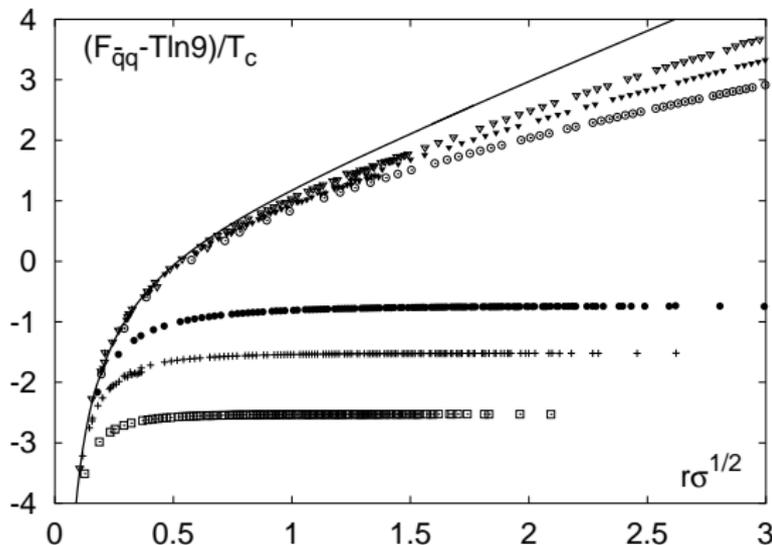


The smoothed mass spectrum of hadronic states as a function of mass. Experimental data: long-dashed green line with the 1411 states known in 1967; short-dashed red line with the 4627 states of 1996. The solid blue line represents the exponential fit yielding $T_H = 158 \text{ MeV}$. *CERN Courier, Sept, 2003*

- $\sum_m \int_p \rho(m) e^{-E_p/T}$: Not well defined when $T > T_H$ for hadronic matter.
- Phase transition around T_H : Hagedorn temperature $\approx 160 \text{ MeV}$

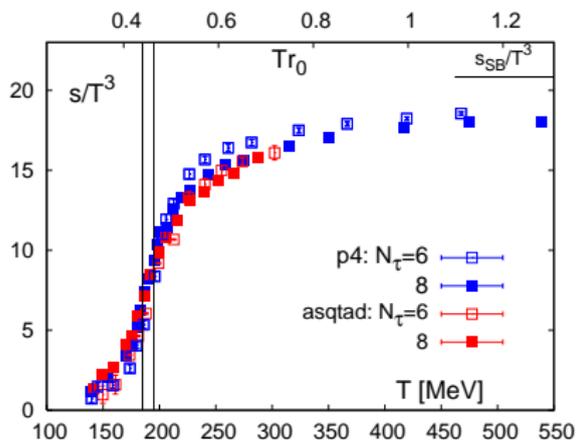
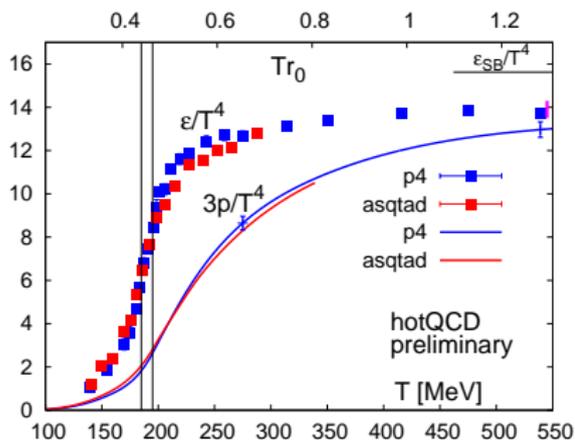
- Perturbative calculation possible much above $Q = \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$
- $Q \sim T$ at high T
- If T is much above the binding energy of hadrons
 \implies Deconfinement
- At high enough T , the system is a plasma of weakly interacting quarks and gluons
- All the above arguments are plausible but not a proof

Lattice QCD Evidence



- F. Karsch, hep-lat/0403016. The color averaged heavy quark free energy at temperatures $T/T_c = 0.9, 0.94, 0.98, 1.05, 1.2, 1.5$ (from top to bottom) obtained in quenched QCD.

Lattice QCD Evidence of QGP

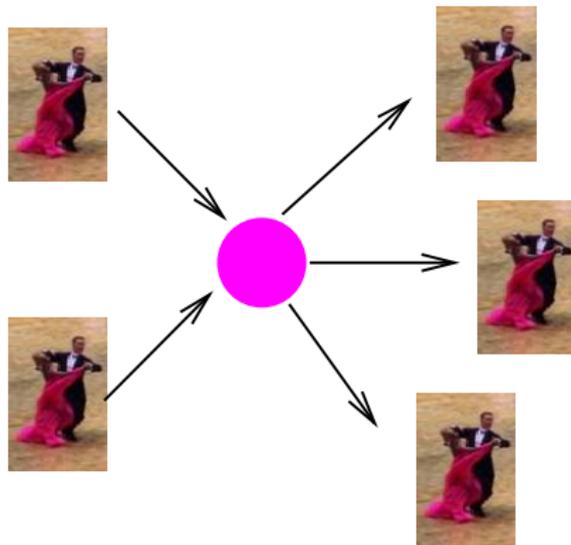


- From HotQCD Collaboration (C. DeTar, arXiv:0811.2429)
- “Cross-over” between 185 - 195 MeV

Ordinary low T matter has paired up quarks



Collision can create more pairs



When $T \gtrsim Mc^2$ (Recall: $E = Mc^2$)

Relativistic equilibrium: Both

$$n = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-E_p/T} \text{ and } \varepsilon = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-E_p/T} E_p \text{ are fixed by } T.$$

Pump up the volume (I mean, energy)!



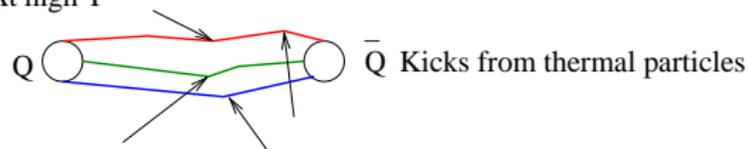
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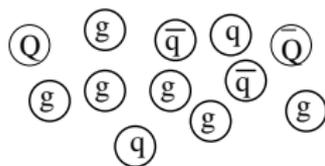
Low temp: Flux tube extends: $F = \text{const}$



At high T



Can't maintain the flux tube



<http://www.physics.adelaide.edu.au/>

~dleinweb/VisualQCD/Nobel/

- High number density

$$\begin{aligned}n &\approx (24 + 16) \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-p/T} \approx 4 T^3 \\ &= 4 \left(\frac{T}{200 \text{ MeV}} \right)^3 \text{ fm}^{-3}\end{aligned}$$

- High energy density

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon &\approx (24 + 16) \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} p e^{-p/T} \approx 12 T^4 \\ &= 2.4 \left(\frac{T}{200 \text{ MeV}} \right)^4 \text{ GeV/fm}^3\end{aligned}$$

Simple Estimates

With $\hbar = c = 1$

- 1 mole of hydrogen atom: 6.02×10^{23} atoms = 1 g (Avogadro's number)
- 1 hydrogen atom $m_p \approx (1/6) \times 10^{-23}$ g = $(1/6) \times 10^{-26}$ kg
- $m_p = 940$ MeV ≈ 1 GeV
- $E = mc^2$: 1 GeV $\approx (1/6) \times 10^{-26}$ kg

$$\begin{aligned} 2.4 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3 &= 0.4 \times 10^{-26} \text{ kg}/(10^{-13} \text{ cm})^3 \\ &= 0.4 \times 10^{-26+39} \text{ kg}/\text{cm}^3 \\ &= 4 \times 10^{12} \text{ kg}/\text{cm}^3 \end{aligned}$$

- Typical human: ~ 100 kg

$$2.4 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3 \sim 4 \times 10^{10} \text{ human}/\text{cm}^3$$

With $\hbar = c = 1$

- Another way of looking at the energy density

$$2.4 \text{ GeV/fm}^3 = 4 \times 10^{12} \text{ kg/cm}^3$$

- Restoring $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$,

$$2.4 \text{ GeV/fm}^3 = 4 \times 10^{12} \times (9 \times 10^{16}) \text{ J/cm}^3 = 3.6 \times 10^{29} \text{ J/cm}^3$$

- World energy consumption (2008):

$$144 \text{ pWh} = 144 \times 10^{15} \times 3.6 \times 10^3 \text{ J} = 5.2 \times 10^{20} \text{ J}$$

- A cubic centimeter of QGP can power the world for about 70 million years.

With $\hbar = c = 1$

- Pressure $P \approx \epsilon/3$

$$P = 0.8 \text{ GeV/fm}^3 \approx 1.3 \times 10^{12} \text{ kg/cm}^3 = 1.3 \times 10^{18} \text{ kg/m}^3$$

- SI Unit for pressure: $\text{Pa} = \text{N/m}^2 = \text{kg/m/s}^2$
- Restoring $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$,

$$P \approx 1.3 \times 10^{18} \times (9 \times 10^{16}) \text{ kg/m/s}^2 \approx 10^{35} \text{ Pa} \approx 10^{30} \text{ atm}$$

How do you achieve high temperature?

- Temperature = energy (1 eV \approx 12,000K)
- More usefully, the energy density:

$$\varepsilon = g \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} E_p e^{-E_p/T} \approx \frac{3g}{\pi^2} T^4$$

- To get high temperature: Get high energy density \implies Cram **maximum** possible energy into the **smallest** possible volume while **randomizing** the momenta \implies Relativistic heavy ion collisions.
- What to expect: $dN/d\eta$ and $dE/d\eta$ grow something like $(\ln s)^n$ with $n \sim 1 \implies T$ should behave something like $(\ln s)^n$ with $n \sim 1$

Observable Consequence

- High temperature \implies Thermal photons
- High density \implies Jet quenching
- High pressure \implies Hydrodynamic flow
 - The size of the elliptic flow depends on the shear viscosity η .
 - If weakly coupled, $\eta/s \gg 1$: \approx Ideal gas
 - If strongly coupled, $\eta/s \ll 1$: \approx Perfect (Ideal) fluid.
- Neutrality \implies Tight unlike-sign correlation
- Critical point \implies Large momentum fluctuations

In fig. 4 EMC- and SLAC-data on the ratio of integrated particle yields

$$\bar{R}_A \equiv \int_{x_{\min}}^1 dx \frac{1}{\sigma_{eA}} \frac{d\sigma_{eA}}{dx} \bigg/ \int_{x_{\min}}^1 dx \frac{1}{\sigma_{eN}} \frac{d\sigma_{eN}}{dx} \quad (7)$$

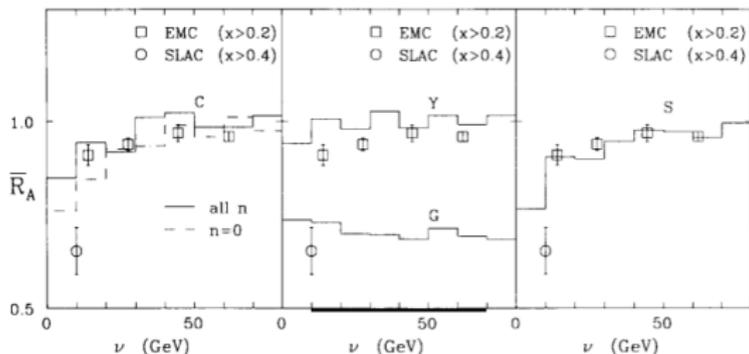


Fig. 4. The ν -dependence of the ratio \bar{R}_A of hadrons produced in the forward region. The histograms labeled Y, C, G and S correspond to the yojo formation model, the constituent formation model, the Glauber limit ($l=0$) and to the string-flip model, respectively. For the constituent formation model, the zero scattering component has been included (dashed histogram). The data are from refs. [1,2].

Miklos Gyulassy and Michael Plümer
Jet quenching in lepton nucleus scattering
 in Nuclear Physics B
 Volume 346, 1 (1990).

Key Idea: Compare high p_T spectrum in sth- N and sth- A by plotting the ratio.

How jets are disappearing in hot/dense medium can tell us about the medium

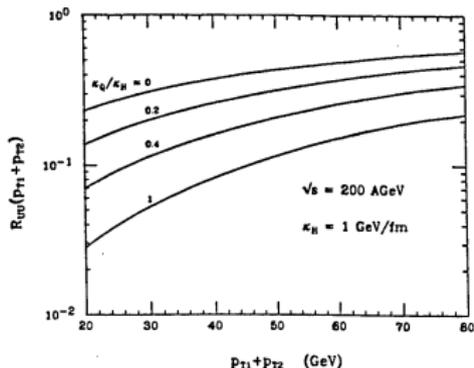


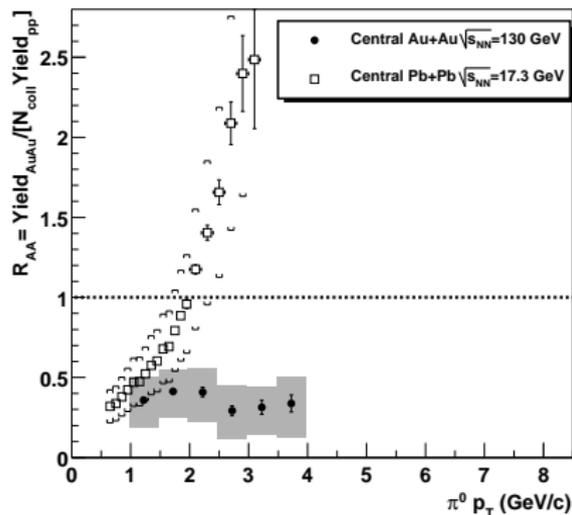
Fig. 7 **Dijet reduction factor** for central $U + U$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV/n as a function of the dijet energy $E = P_{T1} + P_{T2}$, for different values of κ_Q/κ_H assuming $\kappa_H = 1$ GeV/fm.

transverse coordinate, ϕ the azimuthal angle of the jet and $\tau_f(r, \phi)$ the escape time. Assuming only Bjorken[31] scaling longitudinal expansion and a Bag model equation of state[31], one can find the time dependence of $dE(\tau)/dx$ and get the reduction rate of jet production at fixed P_T by averaging over the initial coordinates (r, ϕ) [22],

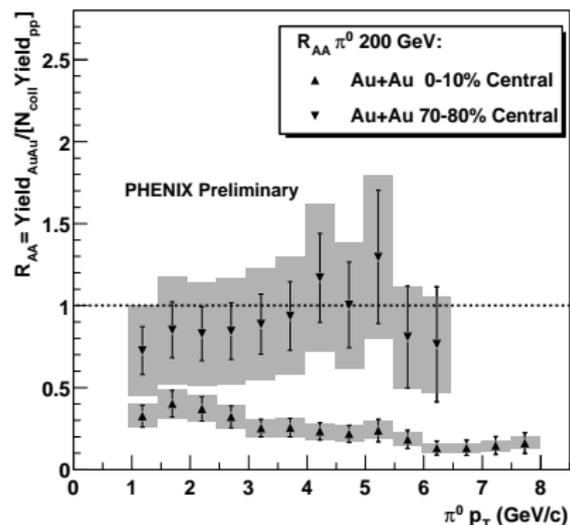
$$R_{AA}(E) = \frac{\sigma^{jet}(E)_{quenching}}{\sigma^{jet}(E)_{no-quenching}}. \quad (11)$$

In the plasma phase, the temperature decreases as $T(\tau)/T_c = (\tau_Q/\tau)^{1/3}$. According to Eq. 9, $dE/dx \approx \kappa_Q(\tau_Q/\tau)^{2/3}$, denoting the energy loss in the plasma phase by

Xin-Nian Wang and Miklos Gyulassy,
Jets in relativistic heavy ion collisions
 in BNL RHIC Workshop
 1990:0079-102
 (QCD199:R2:1990)

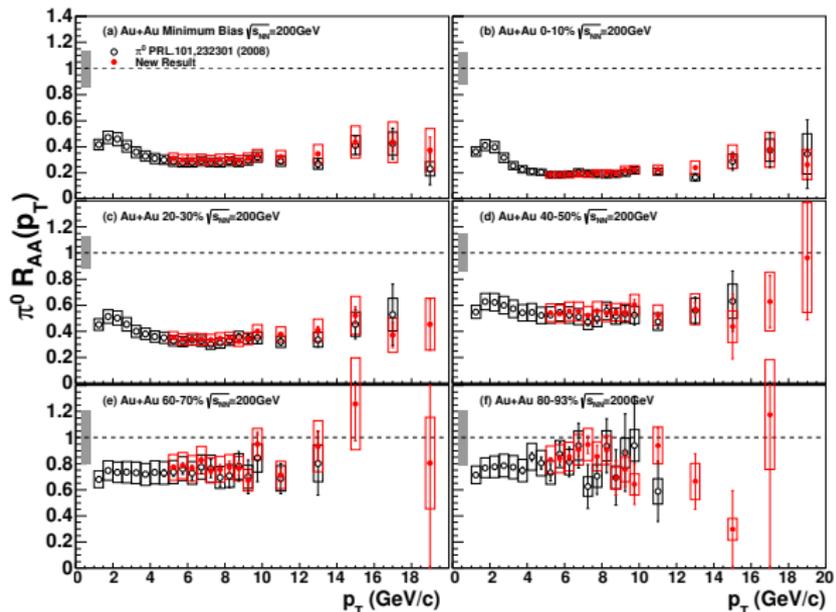


$R_{AA}(\pi^0)$ for central Pb+Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17$ GeV and central Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130$ GeV.



$R_{AA}(\pi^0)$ for central and peripheral Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV.

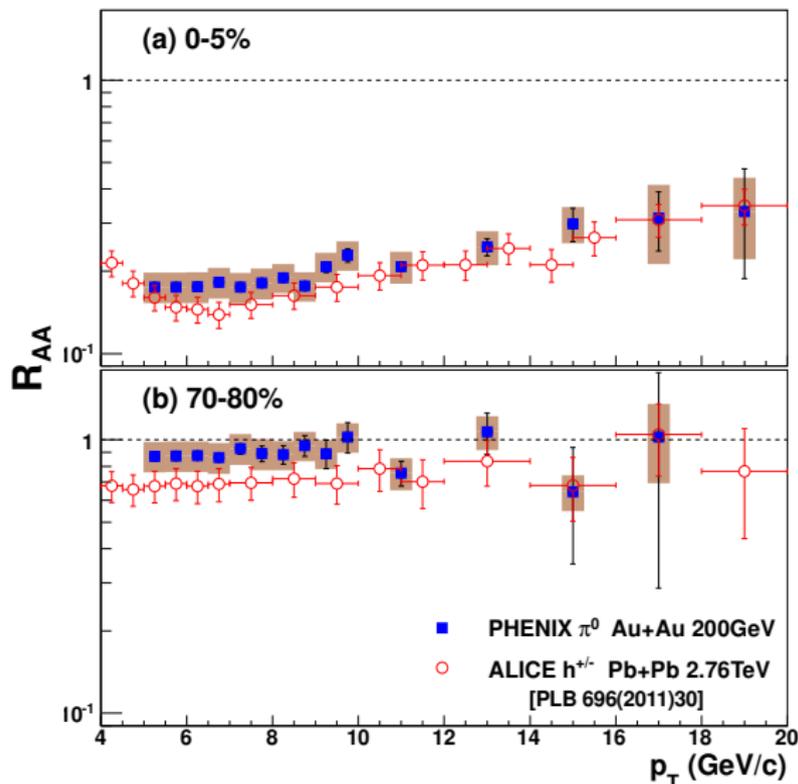
Presented by S. Mioduszewski at QM 2002



PHENIX,
arXiv:1208.2254

$$\frac{dN_{AA}/dp_T}{N_{\text{coll}} dN_{pp}/dp_T} \approx \text{Const.}$$

Slight rising is becoming
evident at high p_T .

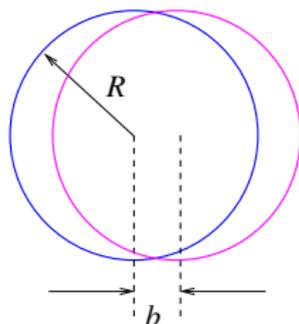


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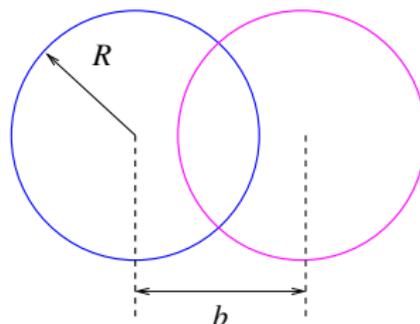
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Centrality



Central collisions
0 % means $b = 0$

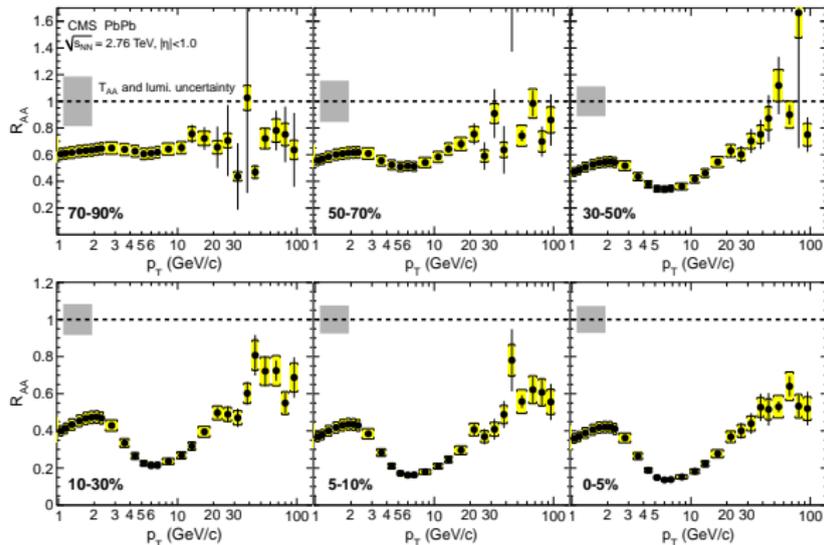


Peripheral collisions
100 % means $b = 2R$
That is, they missed.

For instance:

- 0 – 5 % means top 5 % of all collisions in terms of the number of particles produced (multiplicity).
- 70 – 80 % means the collection of events whose multiplicity ranks between bottom 30 % and bottom 20 %.
- Centrality and impact parameter b not strictly 1 to 1, but very close.

In 2012

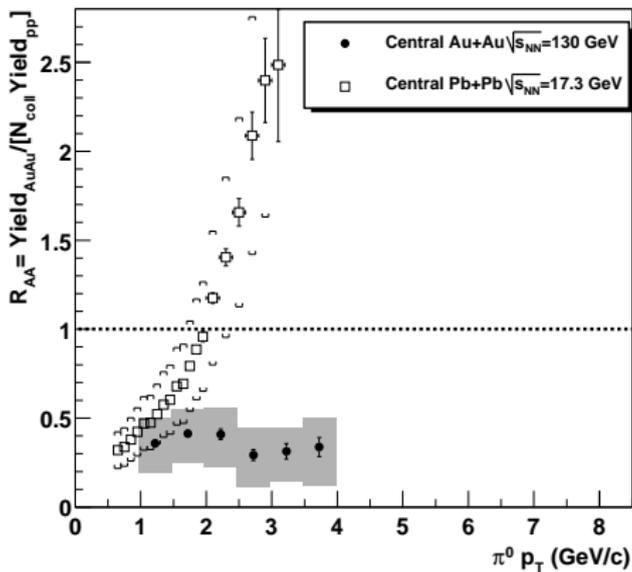


$$R_{AA} = \frac{dN_{AA}/dp_T}{N_{\text{coll}} dN_{pp}/dp_T}$$

No longer flat. Slow rise
for $p_T \gtrsim 10$ GeV.

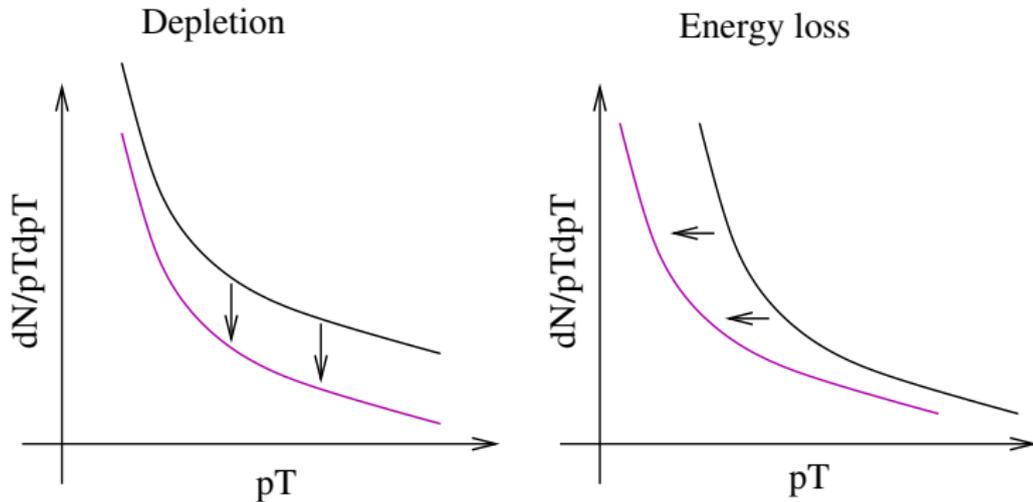
CMS, 1208.6218v1

Can we understand the features?



- $R_{AA} < 1$: Energy loss
- $R_{AA} > 1$: Energy gain

Two ways to understand $R_{AA} < 1$



- The spectrum can shift down when particles actually disappear (depletion)
- The spectrum can shift to the left by energy loss – *This is the more realistic scenario.*

Very Rough Understanding

- For high p_T , $dN_{pp}/dp_T \approx 1/p_T^n$.
- Suppose, on average, a particle with p_T loses Δp_T while traversing QGP.
- Then the number of particles with p_T in AA is the same as the number of particles with $p_T + \Delta p_T$ in pp.

$$R_{AA} = \frac{dN_{AA}/dp_T}{N_{col} dN_{pp}/dp_T} \approx \frac{dN_{pp}/dp_T|_{p_T+\Delta p_T}}{dN_{pp}/dp_T|_{p_T}}$$

- What we want to learn: Behavior of Δp_T in the medium
- Shape of R_{AA} depends very much on the shape of dN_{pp}/dp_T

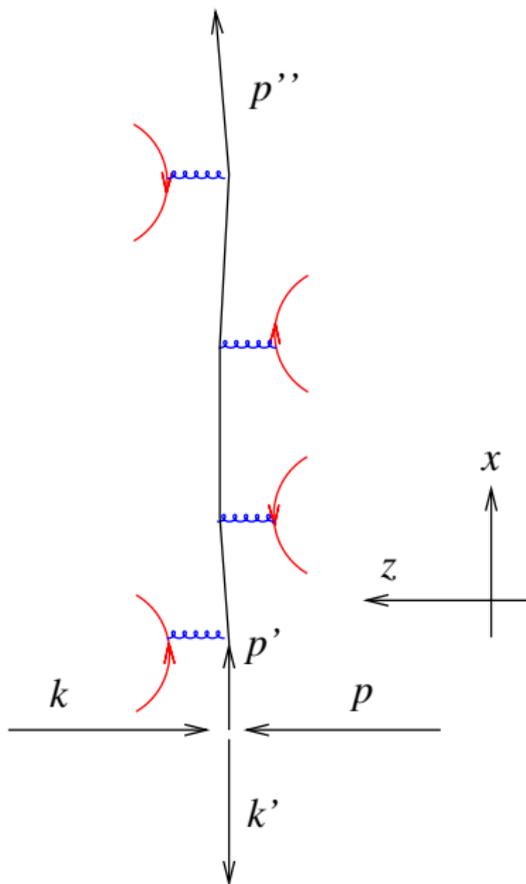
Very Rough Understanding

- Suppose $dN_{pp}/dp_T = 1/p_T^n$ (realistic for high p_T)

$$R_{AA} \approx \left(\frac{p_T}{p_T + \Delta p_T} \right)^n = \left(\frac{1}{1 + \Delta p_T/p_T} \right)^n$$

- Suppose $\Delta p_T/p_T = 0.2$: $R_{AA} = 0.2$ for $n = 8$,
 $R_{AA} = 0.5$ for $n = 4$.
- Let $\Delta p_T \propto p_T^s$.
- R_{AA} constant if $s = 1$
- R_{AA} approaches 1 as $p_T \rightarrow \infty$ if $s < 1$.
- R_{AA} approaches 0 as $p_T \rightarrow \infty$ if $s > 1$.

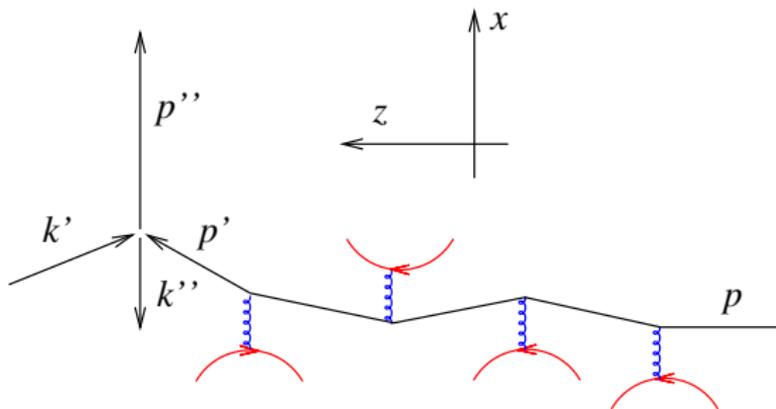
$R_{AA} < 1$ – Final state energy loss



- High energy particle
- Initial energy $E_p = p_z$
- Just after collision: $p'_x = p_z$
- *Final state interactions* with the QGP medium add little bits to p'_z but *subtract little bits* from p'_x .
- Resulting in:
$$E_{\text{jet}} = \sqrt{p''_x^2 + p''_z^2} \approx p''_x < E_p$$

 \Rightarrow Energy loss

$R_{AA} > 1$ – Initial state energy gain

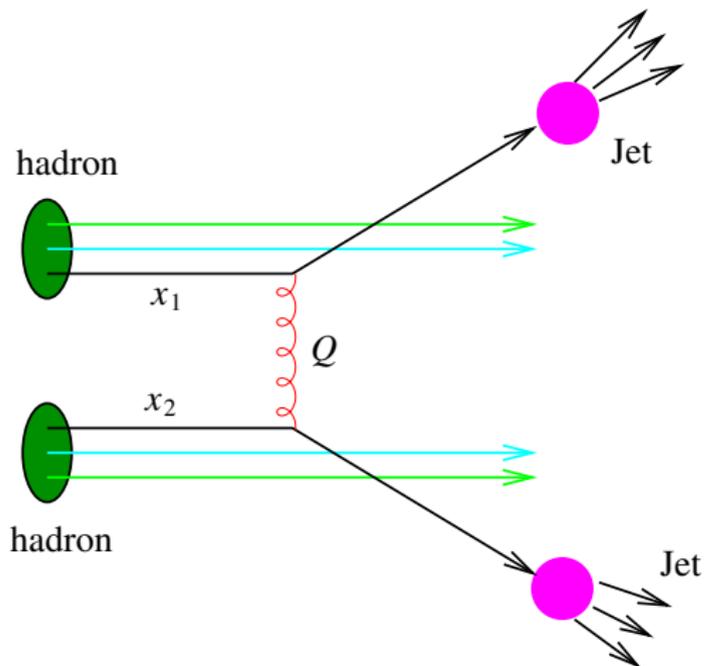


- Low energy particle
- *Initial state interactions* with other nucleons add not-so-small momentum (compared to the original energy) in both directions.
- $|p'| > |p|$
- After the hard collision:
 $p'_x \approx |p'| > p_z \implies$ Energy gain

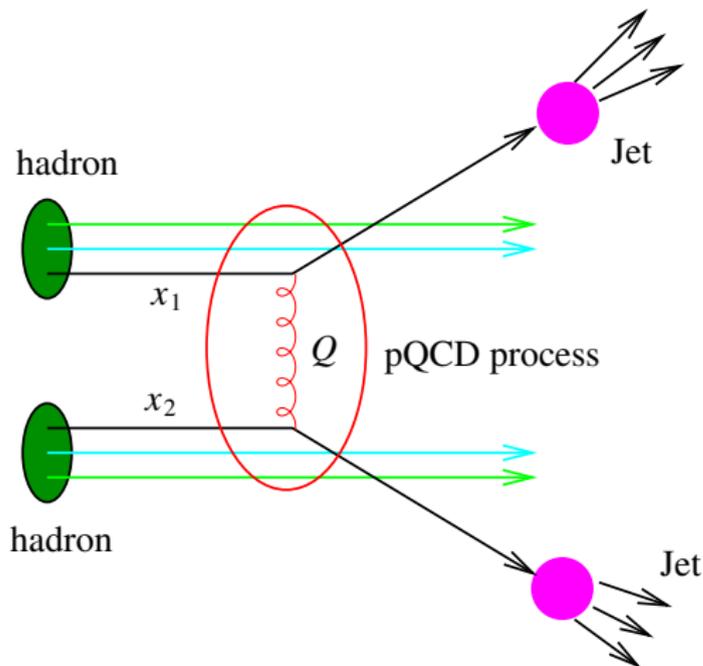
Jet Quenching

– Schematic Ideas

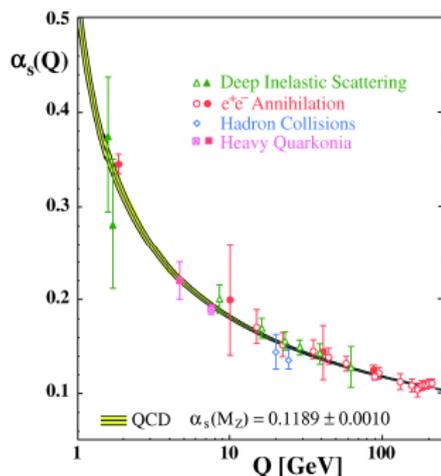
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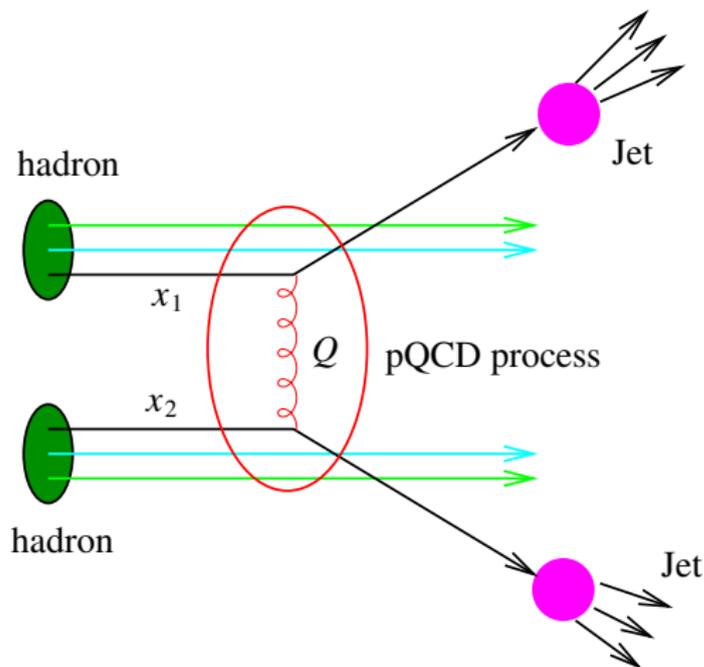


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Jet production is perturbative.



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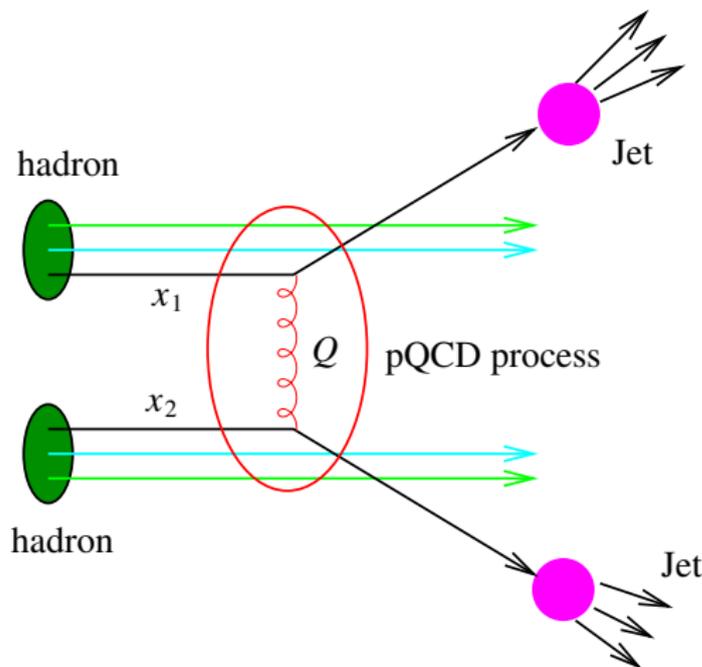
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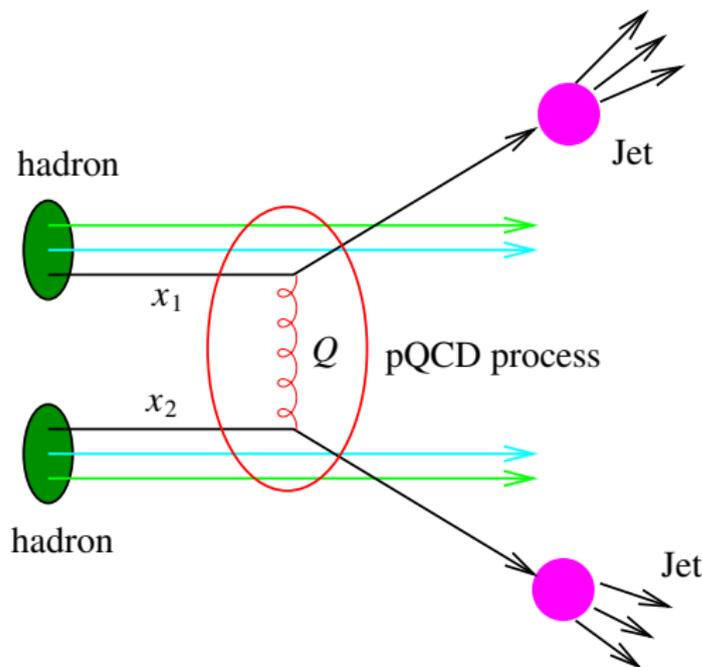


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➔ We understand this process in hadron-hadron collisions.

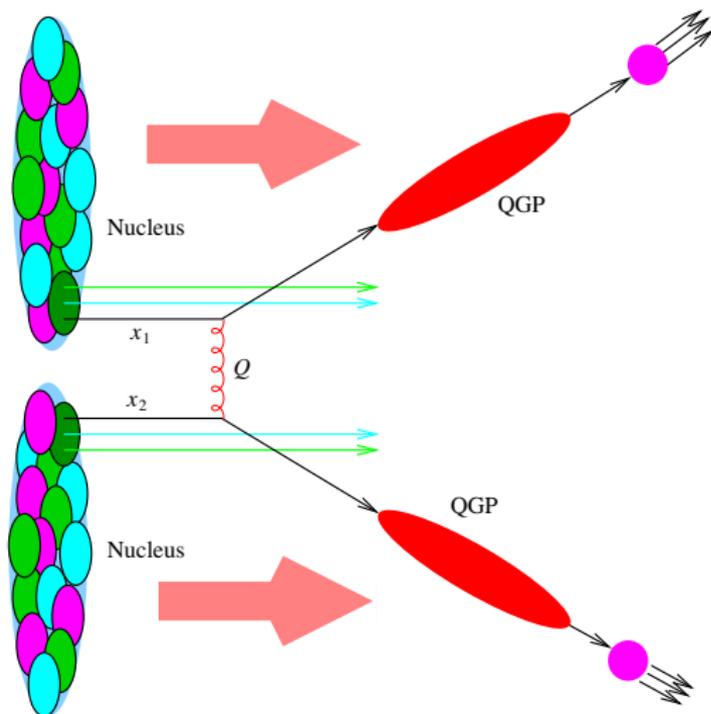
Hadronic Jet production



Hadron-Hadron Jet production scheme:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \int_{abcd} f_{a/A}(x_a, Q_f) f_{b/B}(x_b, Q_f) \times \frac{d\sigma_{ab \rightarrow cd}}{dt} D(z_c, Q)$$

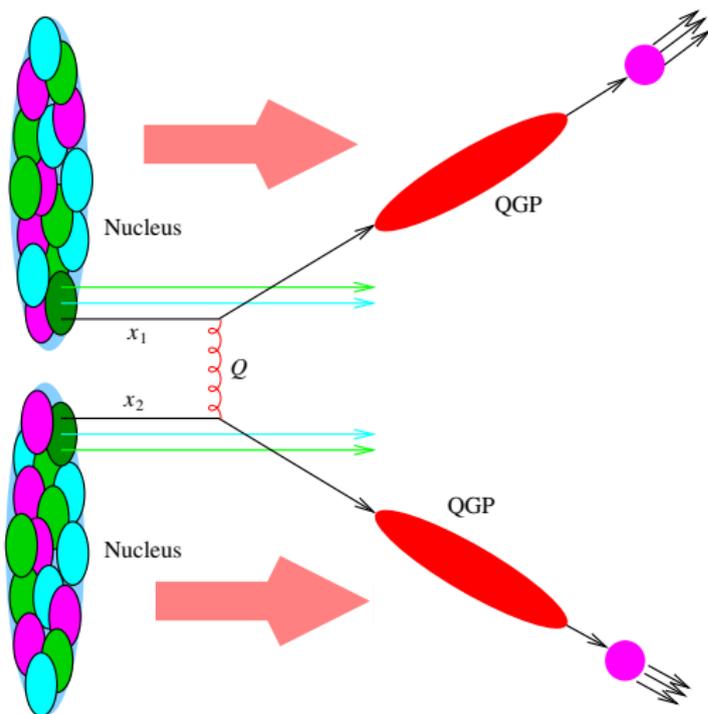
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What we want to study:

- How does QGP modify jet property?

Heavy Ion Collisions



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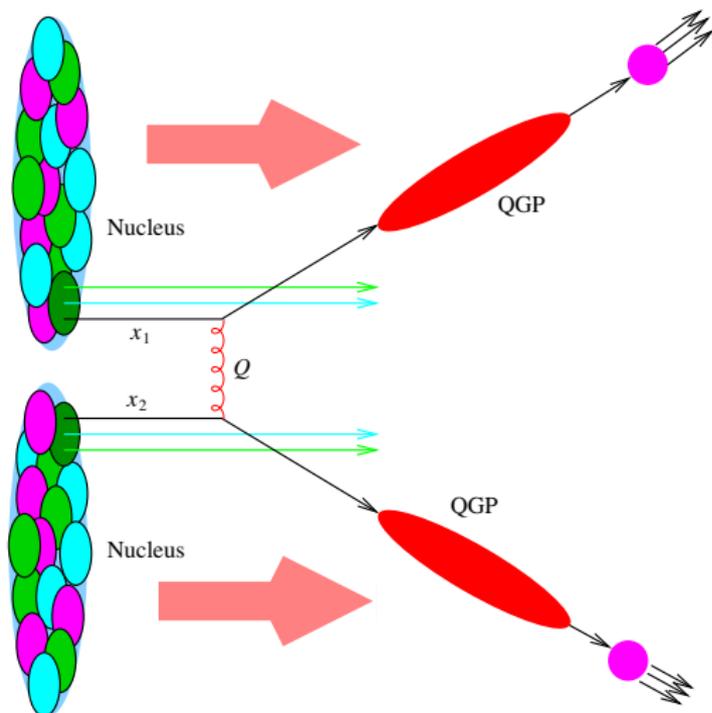
- How does QGP modify jet property?

Complications:

How well do we know the *initial condition*?

- Nuclear initial condition?
- What happens to a jet between the production and the formation of (hydrodynamic) QGP?

Heavy Ion Collisions

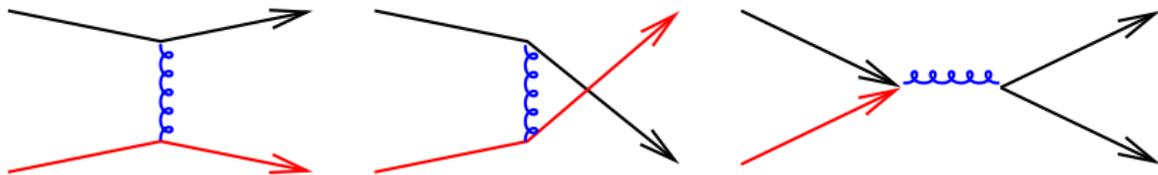


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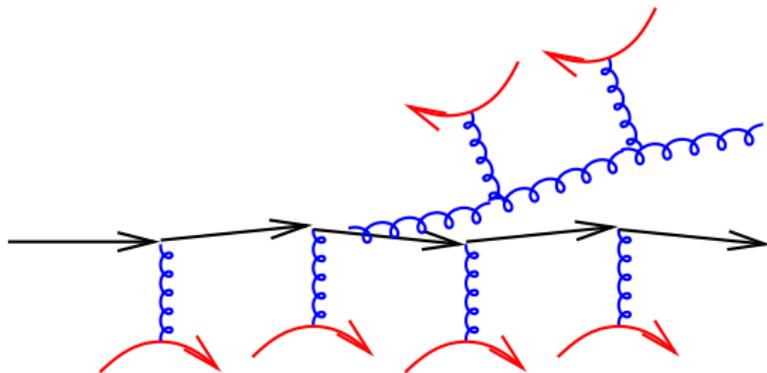
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma_{AB}}{dt} &= \int_{\text{geometry}} \int_{abcd} \\ &\times f_{a/A}(x_a, Q_f) f_{b/B}(x_b, Q_f) \\ &\times \frac{d\sigma_{ab \rightarrow cd}}{dt} \\ &\times \mathcal{P}(x_c \rightarrow x'_c | T, u^\mu) \\ &\times D(z'_c, Q) \end{aligned}$$

$\mathcal{P}(x_c \rightarrow x'_c | T, u^\mu)$: Medium modification of high energy parton property \Rightarrow Jet quenching

Relevant processes for E-loss



Elastic scatterings with thermal particles



Collinear radiation

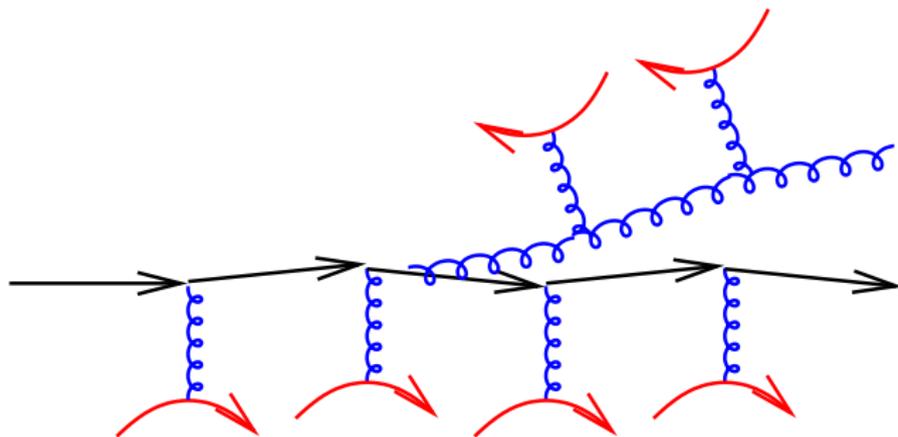
Why it is not-trivial

- Hot and dense system – Requires resummation: HTL & LPM
- Finite size system
- System is evolving

Radiational Energy Loss

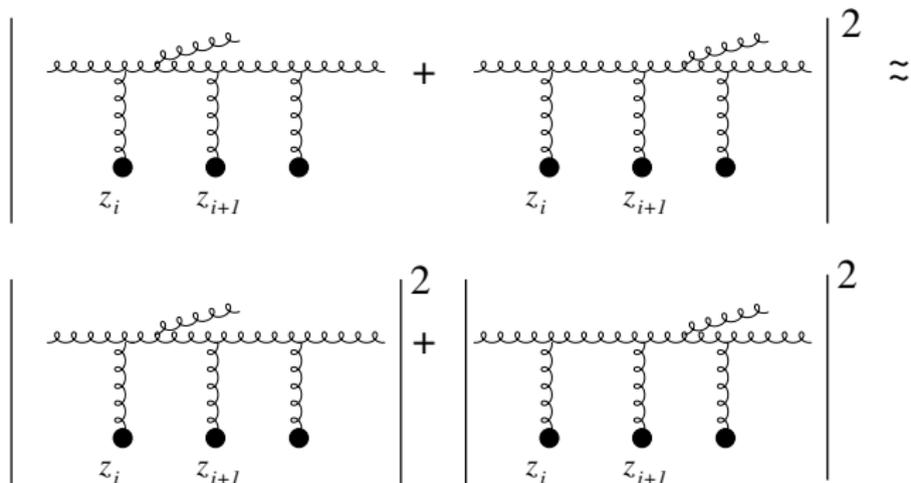
– Why coherence matters

Process to study



- Radiative (Inelastic) energy loss via collinear gluon emission

Incoherent emission

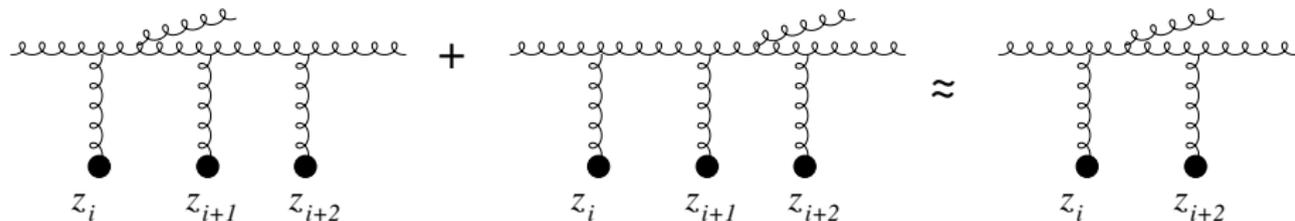


- $|\sum_n T_n|^2 \approx \sum_n |T_n|^2$
- Interference terms $T_n^* T_m$ with $n \neq m$ negligible.
- Single emission probabilist scales like the number of scatterers:

$$\mathcal{P}_{N_{sc}} \approx N_{sc} \mathcal{P}_1$$

Coherent emission

- If there is a destructive interference,



- Single emission probability scales like

$$\mathcal{P}_{N_{\text{sc}}} \approx \frac{N_{\text{sc}}}{N_{\text{coh}}} \mathcal{P}_1$$

where N_{coh} is the number of scattering centers that destructively interfere.

- The medium's power to induce radiation is *reduced*.
- In the unit length, there are effectively,

$$N_{\text{eff. sc}} = \frac{1}{l_{\text{coh}}} = \frac{1}{l_{\text{mfp}}} \frac{1}{N_{\text{coh}}} = \frac{1}{l_{\text{coh}}}$$

Effective Emission rate

- Coherent Emission rate:

$$\frac{d\mathcal{P}}{dt} \approx \frac{c}{l_{\text{coh}}} \mathcal{P}_1$$

- Incoherent Emission rate:

$$\frac{d\mathcal{P}}{dt} \approx \frac{c}{l_{\text{mfp}}} \mathcal{P}_1$$

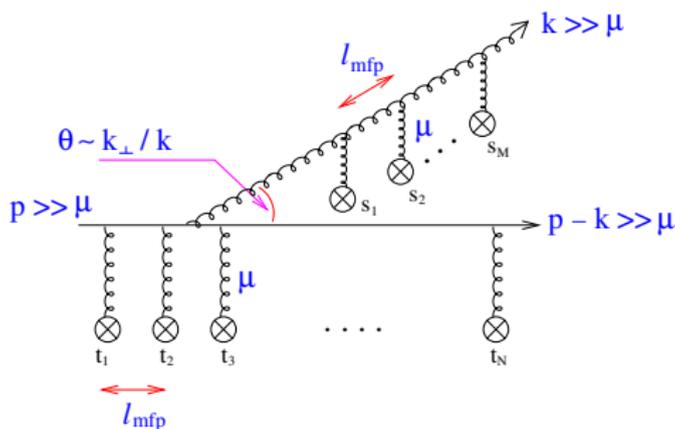
- Here, \mathcal{P}_1 : Bethe-Heitler

$$\mathcal{P}_1 \approx \frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi\omega}$$

for small ω

Coherent scattering can be important

Following BDMPS



- What we need to calculate R_{AA} : Differential gluon radiation rate

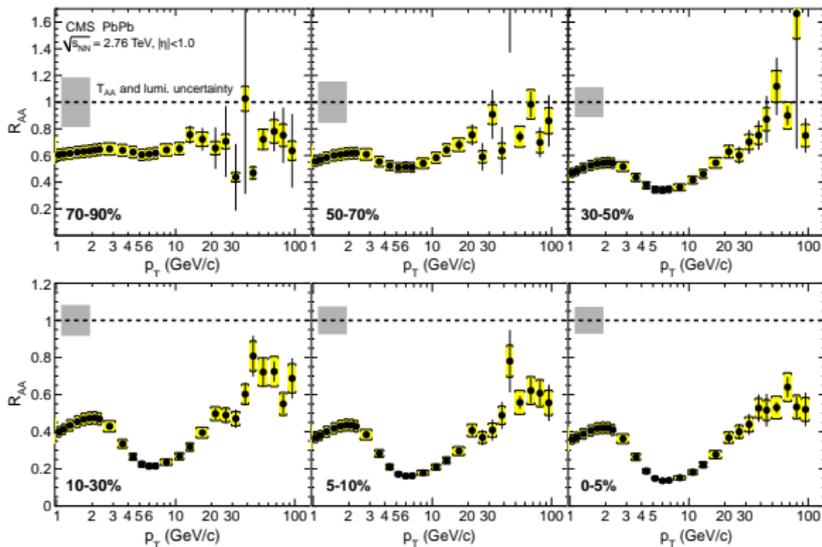
$$\omega \frac{dN_g}{d\omega dz}$$

Medium dependence comes through a scattering length scale

$$l \approx t$$

$$\omega \frac{dN_g}{d\omega dz} \approx \frac{1}{l} \omega \frac{dN_g}{d\omega} \Big|_{\text{BH}}$$

Goal for today



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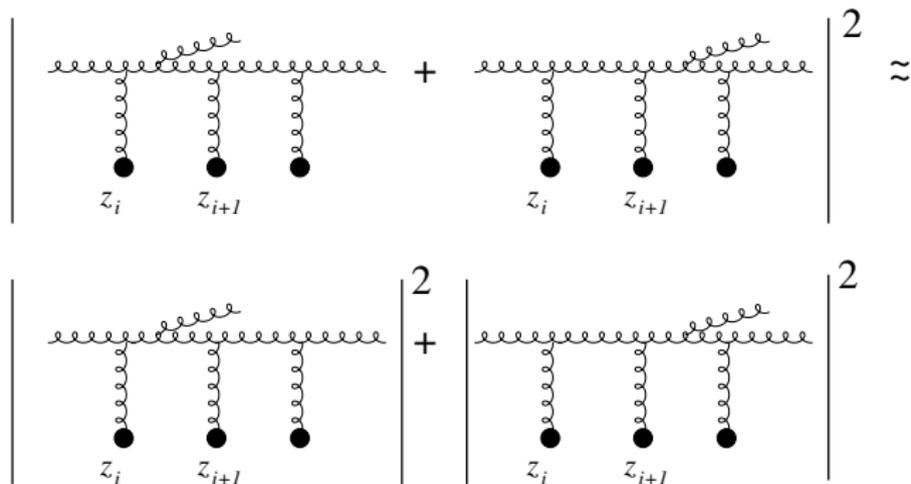
$$R_{AA} = \frac{dN_{AA}/dp_T}{N_{\text{coll}} dN_{pp}/dp_T}$$

Goal for the day: Roughly Understand these features from the behavior of the unit scattering length l in

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Length Scales

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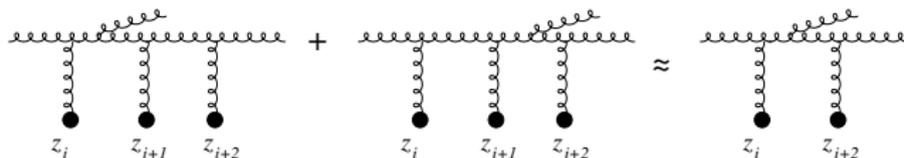


- If all scatterings are **incoherent** ($l_{\text{mfp}} > l_{\text{coh}}$),

$$l = l_{\text{mfp}} = 1/\rho\sigma$$

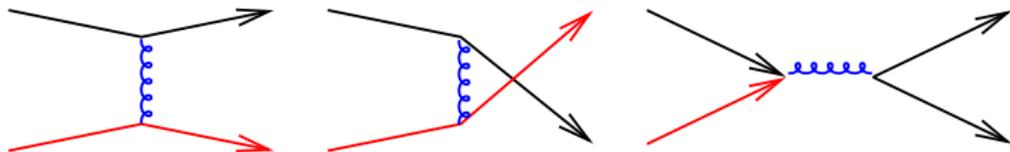
Length Scales

Following BDMPS



- If $l_{\text{coh}} \geq l_{\text{mfp}} \implies$ **LPM effect**:
All scatterings within l_{coh} effectively count as a single scattering.
- $l = l_{\text{coh}}$

Estimation of l_{mfp}



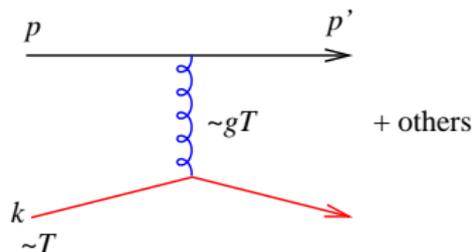
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$$\frac{1}{l_{\text{mfp}}} \equiv \int d^3k \rho(k) \int dq^2 (1 - \cos \theta_{pk}) \frac{d\sigma^{\text{el}}}{dq^2}$$

where

- $\rho(k)$: density, $(1 - \cos \theta_{pk})$: flux factor
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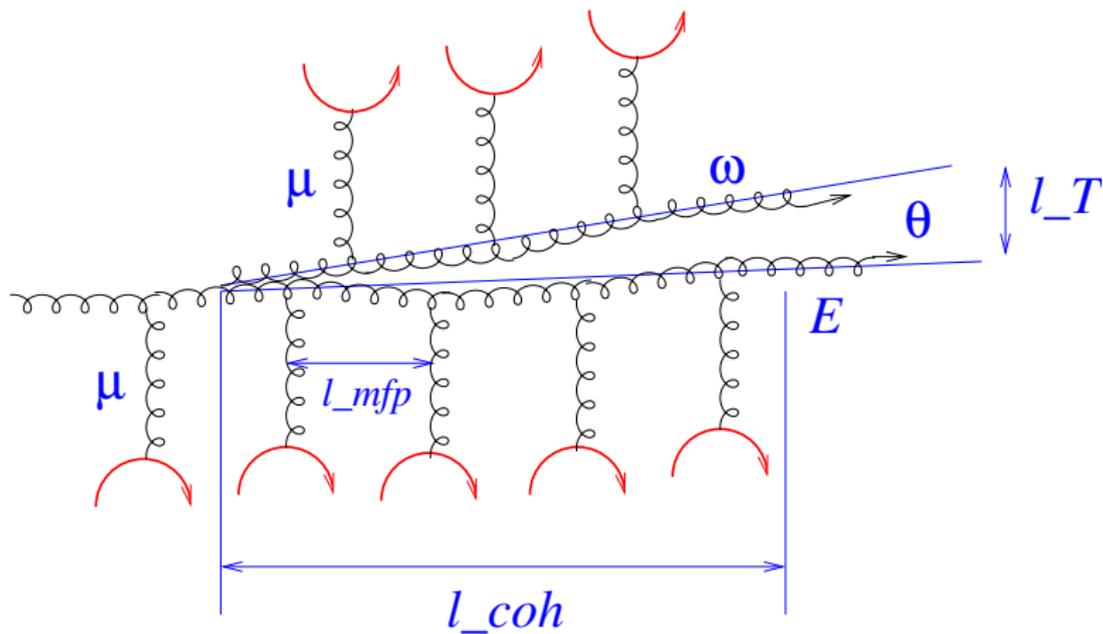
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- With thermal $\rho(k)$, this yields

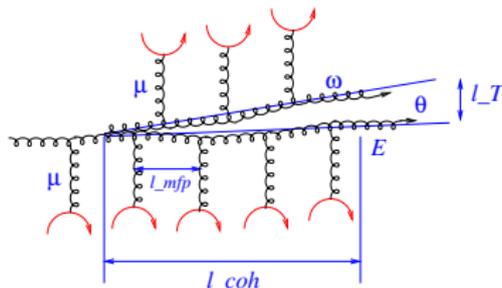
$$\frac{1}{l_{\text{mfp}}} \sim \int d^3k \rho(k) \int_{m_D^2}^{\infty} dq^2 \frac{\alpha_S^2}{q^4} \sim T^3 \alpha_S^2 / m_D^2 \sim \alpha_S T$$

Estimation of l_{coh}



• $E \gg \omega_g \gg \mu$

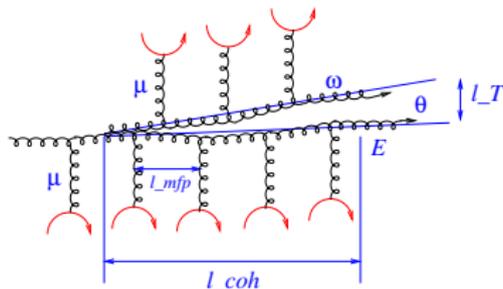
Estimation of l_{coh}



- $\omega \ll E \implies$ The radiated gluon random walks away from the original parton. Original parton's trajectory is less affected.
- From the geometry $\frac{\omega g}{k_T^g} \approx \frac{l_{\text{coh}}}{l_T}$
- Separation condition: l_T is longer than the transverse size of the radiated gluon. $l_T \approx 1/k_T^g$
- Putting together,

$$l_{\text{coh}} \approx \frac{\omega g}{(k_T^g)^2}$$

Estimation of l_{coh}



- We have: $l_{\text{coh}} \approx \frac{\omega g}{(k_T^g)^2}$
- After suffering N_{coh} collisions (random walk),

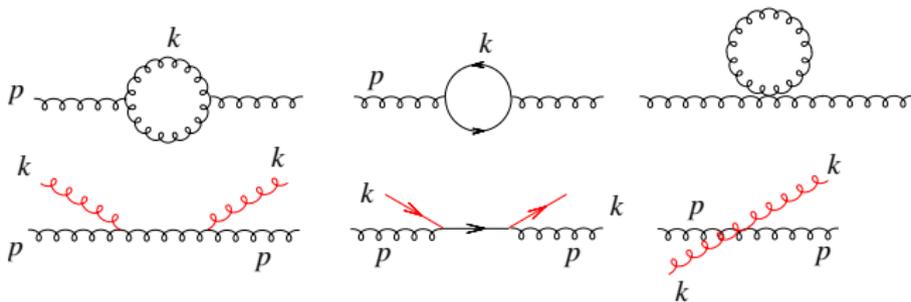
$$\langle (k_T^g)^2 \rangle = N_{\text{coh}} \mu^2 = \frac{l_{\text{coh}}}{l_{\text{mfp}}} \mu^2$$

- Becomes, with $\hat{q} = \mu^2 / l_{\text{mfp}}$ and $E_{\text{LPM}} = \mu^2 l_{\text{mfp}}$,

$$l_{\text{coh}} \approx l_{\text{mfp}} \sqrt{\frac{\omega g}{E_{\text{LPM}}}} = \sqrt{\frac{\omega g}{\hat{q}}}$$

Estimation of μ^2

- Debye mass

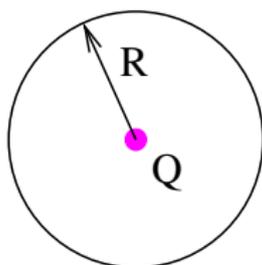


- Second row: Physical forward scattering with particles in the medium
- The last term is easiest to calculate:

$$m_D^2 \propto g^2 \int \frac{d^3k}{E_k} f(k) \propto g^2 T^2$$

- Effectively, this adds $m_D^2 A_0^2$ to the Lagrangian \implies NOT gauge invariant \implies Gauge invariant formulation: Hard Thermal Loops

Physical origin of Debye mass



- E & M
- Let $Q > 0$. Within the range R
 - Positive charges are pushed away: $Q_+ = Q_0 - \delta Q$
 - Negative charges are pulled in: $Q_- = Q_0 + \delta Q$
- At position R , apparent net charge is *reduced*

$$Q_{\text{net}} = Q + (Q_0 - \delta Q) - (Q_0 + \delta Q) = Q - 2\delta Q$$

This is screening.

- When it's moving, there is a net potential energy associated with Q even in charge neutral medium \implies Acts like a “mass”

Physical origin of Debye mass

- E & M
- Potential in a thermal system

$$\nabla^2 \Phi(\mathbf{r}) = -\rho(\mathbf{r})$$

- Medium composed of many charged particles

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}) = qn_+(\mathbf{r}) - qn_-(\mathbf{r})$$

- Boltzmann Density:

$$\begin{aligned}n_{\pm}(\mathbf{r}) &= \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-E/T} \\&= \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-\sqrt{k^2+m^2}} e^{\mp q\Phi(\mathbf{r})/T} \\&= n_0(T) e^{\mp q\Phi(\mathbf{r})/T} \\&\approx n_0(T) (1 \mp q\Phi(\mathbf{r})/T)\end{aligned}$$

Physical origin of Debye mass

- E & M
- Boltzmann Density:

$$n_{\pm}(\mathbf{r}) \approx n_0(T)(1 \mp q\Phi(\mathbf{r})/T)$$

- Linearized equation for the potential:

$$\nabla^2\Phi - m_D^2\Phi \approx 0$$

where

$$m_D^2 = 2q^2(n_0(T)/T)$$

What we learned so far

Coherence length

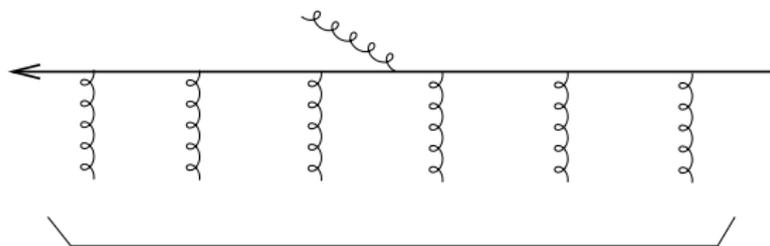
$$l_{\text{coh}} \approx l_{\text{mfp}} \sqrt{\frac{\omega_g}{E_{\text{LPM}}}} = \sqrt{\frac{\omega_g}{\hat{q}}}$$

where $\hat{q} = \mu^2/l_{\text{mfp}}$ (average momentum transfer squared per collision)
If your chosen process is

- **Soft** gluon emission, $\omega_g < \mu^2 l_{\text{mfp}}$,
⇒ Coherence matters not. BH should suffice. No need to resum.
- **Hard** gluon emission, $E \gg \omega_g > \mu^2 l_{\text{mfp}}$,
⇒ Coherence matters. Resummation needed.
- **Both**
⇒ Need the cross-section that is correct in both limits.
- Key quantity: $E_{\text{LPM}} = \mu^2 l_{\text{mfp}} \sim T$ in pert. thermal QCD
- Key quantity: $\hat{q} \sim \alpha_S^2 T^3$ in pert. thermal QCD

Rough Idea – Multiple Emission (Poisson ansatz)

After each collision, there is a finite probability to emit



Number of effective collisions

- Let the emission probability be p
- Total number of *effective* collisions N_{trial} taking into account of l_{mfp} and l_{coh} .
- Average number of emissions $\langle n \rangle = N_{\text{trial}}p$
- Probability to emit n gluons

$$P(n) = \frac{N_{\text{trial}}!}{n!(N_{\text{trial}} - n)!} p^n (1 - p)^{N_{\text{trial}} - n}$$

Rough Idea – Multiple Emission (Poisson ansatz)

- Poisson probability: Limit of binary process as $\lim_{N_{\text{trial}} \rightarrow \infty} N_{\text{trial}} p \rightarrow \langle n \rangle$

$$P(n) = e^{-\langle n \rangle} \frac{\langle n \rangle^n}{n!}$$

- Average number of gluons emitted up to $t_i < t$

$$\langle n \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^E d\omega \int_{t_i}^t dz \frac{dN}{dz d\omega} = \int_{-\infty}^E d\omega \frac{dN}{d\omega}(t)$$

- Probability to lose ϵ amount of energy by emitting n gluons:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle n \rangle^n &\rightarrow D(\epsilon, t) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^E d\omega_1 \frac{dN}{d\omega_1} \int_{-\infty}^E d\omega_2 \frac{dN}{d\omega_2} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^E d\omega_n \frac{dN}{d\omega_n} \delta(\epsilon - \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_k) \end{aligned}$$

Rough Idea – Multiple Emission (Poisson ansatz)

Parton spectrum at t

$$P(p, t) = \int d\epsilon D(\epsilon, t) P_0(p + \epsilon)$$

where

$$D(\epsilon, t) = e^{-\int d\omega \frac{dN}{d\omega}(\omega, t)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \int d\omega_i \frac{dN}{d\omega_i}(\omega_i, t) \right] \delta\left(\epsilon - \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i\right)$$

Can easily show that this Poisson ansatz solves:

$$\frac{dP(p, t)}{dt} = \int d\omega \frac{dN_{\text{Poiss.}}}{d\omega dt}(\omega) P(p + \omega, t) - P(p, t) \int d\omega \frac{dN_{\text{Poiss.}}}{d\omega dt}(\omega)$$

with the p (jet energy) independent rate

$$\frac{dN}{d\omega}(\omega, t) = \int_{t_0}^t dt' \frac{dN_{\text{Poiss.}}}{d\omega dt}(\omega, t')$$

Rough Idea - The behavior of R_{AA}

Use $R_{AA} \approx 1/(1 + \epsilon/p)^n \approx e^{-n\epsilon/p}$ when $n \gg 1$. Include gain by absorption or $\omega < 0$:

$$R_{AA}(p) = \frac{P(p)}{P_0(p)} \approx \exp\left(-\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int_0^t dt' (dN_{\text{inel+el}}/d\omega dt)(1 - e^{-\omega n/p})\right)$$

For the radiation rate, use simple estimates

$$\frac{dN}{d\omega dt} \approx \frac{\alpha}{\pi\omega} \frac{N_c}{l_{\text{mfp}}} \text{ for } 0 < \omega < l_{\text{mfp}}\mu^2$$

$$\frac{dN}{d\omega dt} \approx \frac{\alpha}{\pi\omega} N_c \sqrt{\frac{\mu^2}{l_{\text{mfp}}\omega}} \text{ for } l_{\text{mfp}}\mu^2 < \omega < l_{\text{mfp}}\mu^2(L/l_{\text{mfp}})^2$$

$$\frac{dN}{d\omega dt} \approx \frac{\alpha}{\pi\omega} \frac{N_c}{L} \text{ for } l_{\text{mfp}}\mu^2(L/l_{\text{mfp}})^2 < \omega < E$$

$$\frac{dN}{d\omega dt} \approx \frac{\alpha}{\pi|\omega|} \frac{N_c}{l_{\text{mfp}}} e^{-|\omega|/T} \text{ for } \omega < 0$$

Rough Idea - The behavior of R_{AA}

For elastic energy loss,

$$\begin{aligned} R_{AA}^{\text{el}} &\approx \exp\left(-\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int_0^t dt' (d\Gamma_{\text{el}}/d\omega dt')(1 - e^{-\omega n/p})\right) \\ &\approx \exp\left(-t \left(\frac{dE}{dt} \frac{K(\omega_0)}{|\omega_0|}\right)\right) \\ &\approx \exp\left(-t \left(\frac{dE}{dt}\right) \left(\frac{n}{p}\right) \left(1 - \frac{nT}{p}\right)\right) \end{aligned}$$

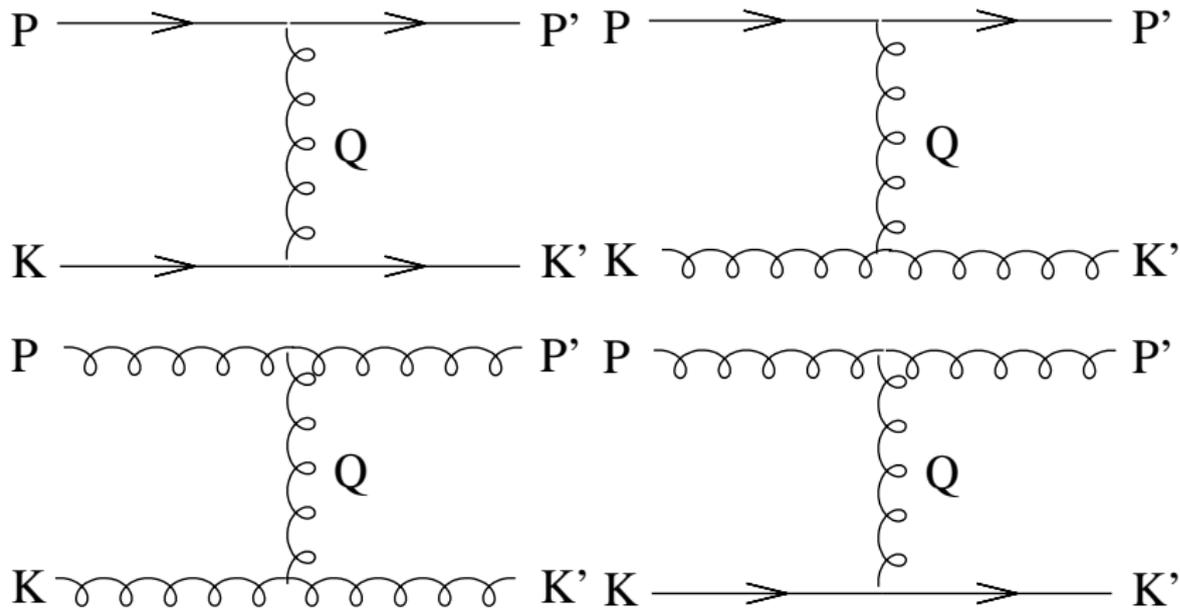
valid for $p > nT$ and we used

$$\begin{aligned} K(\omega_0) &= (1 + n_B(|\omega_0|))(1 - e^{-|\omega_0|n/p}) + n_B(|\omega_0|)(1 - e^{|\omega_0|n/p}) \\ &\approx |\omega_0| \left(\frac{n}{p}\right) \left(1 - \frac{nT}{p}\right) \quad \text{for small } \omega_0 \end{aligned}$$

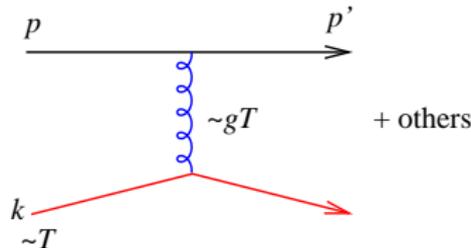
where ω_0 is the typical gluon energy

Elastic scattering rate

Coulombic t -channel dominates



Rough Idea - Elastic energy loss (Following Bjorken)



- Mean free path (textbook definition)

$$\frac{1}{l_{\text{mfp}}} \equiv \int d^3k \rho(k) \int dq^2 (1 - \cos \theta_{pk}) \frac{d\sigma^{\text{el}}}{dq^2}$$

- Energy loss per unit length

$$\frac{dE}{dz} = \int d^3k \rho(k) \int dq^2 (1 - \cos \theta_{pk}) \Delta E \frac{d\sigma^{\text{el}}}{dq^2}$$

where

- $\rho(k)$: density, $(1 - \cos \theta_{pk}) \Delta E \approx q^2/2k$: flux factor

- Elastic cross-section (Coulombic) $\frac{d\sigma}{dq^2} \approx C_R \frac{2\pi\alpha_s^2}{(q^2)^2}$

- With thermal ρ , this yields

$$\left(\frac{dE}{dz}\right)_{\text{coll}} \sim \int d^3k \rho(k)/k \int dq^2 \alpha_S^2/q^2 \sim \alpha_S^2 T^2 \ln(ET/m_D^2)$$

Upper limit determined by

$$q^2 = (p - k)^2 = p^2 + k^2 - 2pk \approx -2pk \sim ET$$

when $|\mathbf{p}| = E$ (emitter) and $|\mathbf{k}| = O(T)$ (thermal scatterer)
Lower limit determined by the Debye mass $m_D = O(gT)$.

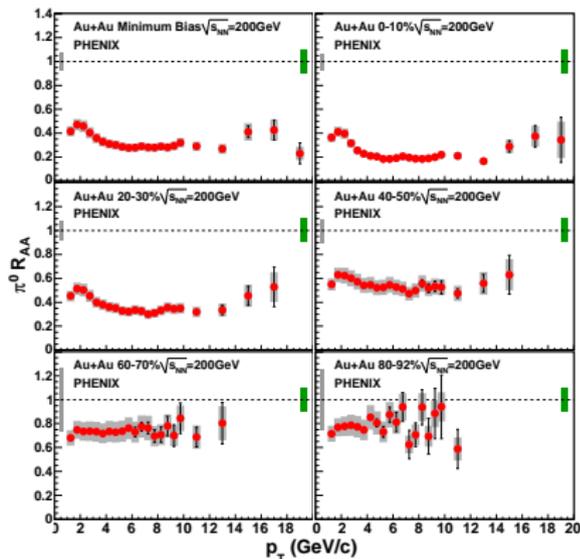
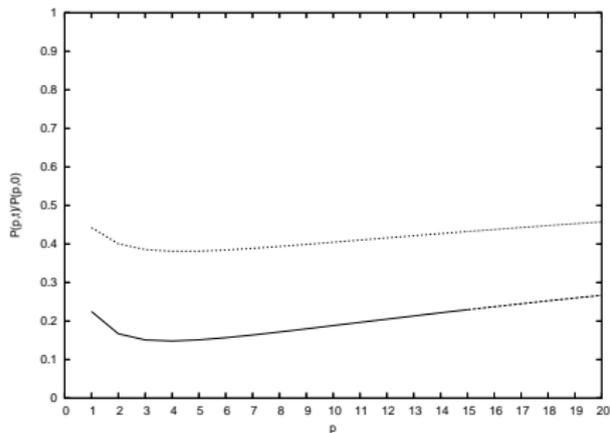
Elastic scattering rate

More precisely,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dE}{dt} &= \frac{1}{2E} \int_{k,k',p'} \delta^4(p+k-p'-k') (E-E') |M|^2 f(E_k) [1 \pm f(E'_k)] \\ &= C_r \pi \alpha_s^2 T^2 \left[\ln(ET/m_g^2) + D_r \right]\end{aligned}$$

where C_r and D_r are channel dependent $O(1)$ constants.

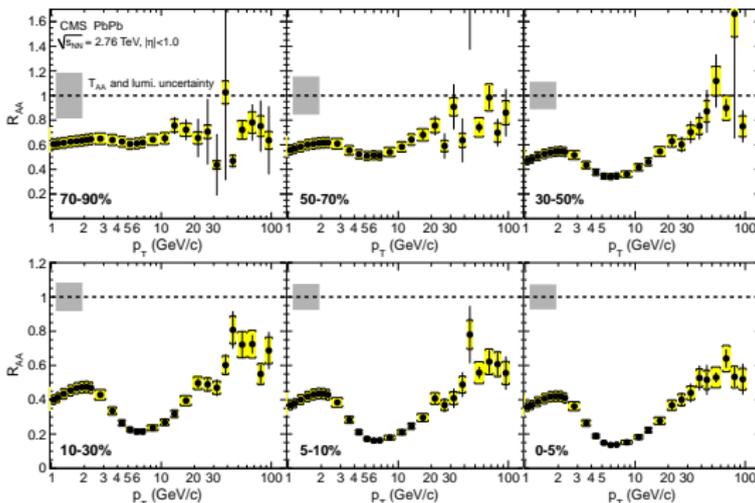
Rough Idea - The behavior of R_{AA}



- Upper line: Without elastic
- Lower line: With elastic
- Flat R is produced in both cases up to $O(10 T)$.
- R just not that sensitive to p in the RHIC-relevant range.

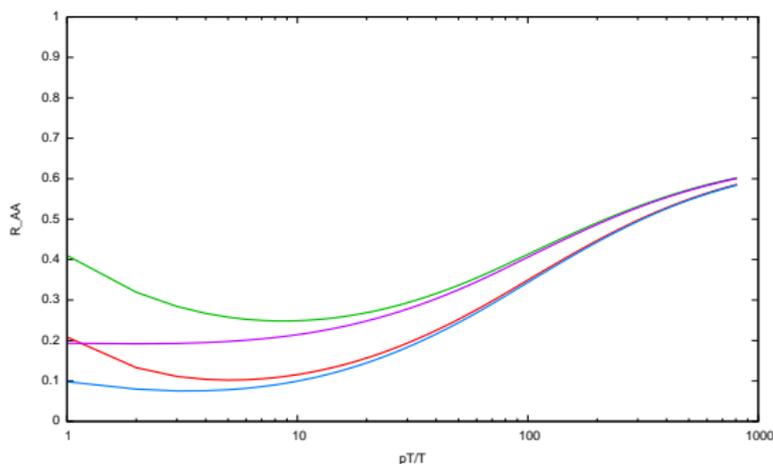
Rough Idea - The behavior of R_{AA}

CMS: Up to $p_T = 100$ GeV



No longer flat. Slow rise for $p_T \gtrsim 10$ GeV.
Can we understand these features?

Rough Idea - The behavior of R_{AA}



- **Red**: Elastic on, thermal absorption on
- **Blue**: Elastic on, thermal absorption off
- **Green**: Elastic off, thermal absorption on
- **Magenta**: Elastic off, thermal absorption off
- Dip, rise, leveling-off roughly reproduced
- *No dip if thermal absorption is turned off*

For other features, first recall

Use $R_{AA} \approx 1/(1 + \epsilon/p)^n \approx e^{-n\epsilon/p}$ when $n \gg 1$. Include gain by absorption or $\omega < 0$:

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$$\frac{dN}{d\omega dt} \approx \frac{\alpha}{\pi\omega} \frac{N_c}{L} \quad \text{for } l_{\text{mfp}}\mu^2(L/l_{\text{mfp}})^2 < \omega < E$$

$$\frac{dN}{d\omega dt} \approx \frac{\alpha}{\pi|\omega|} \frac{N_c}{l_{\text{mfp}}} e^{-|\omega|/T} \quad \text{for } \omega < 0$$

Flat then slow rise

With $E = p$ (original parton energy) and the system size L and $(1 - e^{-n\omega/E}) \approx n\omega/E$:

- If $E < E_{\text{LPM}} = \mu^2 l_{\text{mfp}}$,

$$\ln R_{AA} \approx -L \int_0^E d\omega \frac{dN}{d\omega dt} \left(\frac{n\omega}{E} \right) \approx \frac{nL}{E} \int_0^E d\omega \omega \left(\frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi \omega l_{\text{mfp}}} \right) \sim \text{Const.}$$

Flat R_{AA}

- If $E_{\text{LPM}} < E < E_L = L^2 \mu^2 / l_{\text{mfp}}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \ln R_{AA} &\approx -\frac{nL}{E} \int_0^{E_{\text{LPM}}} d\omega \omega \left(\frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi \omega l_{\text{mfp}}} \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{nL}{E} \int_{E_{\text{LPM}}}^E d\omega \omega \left(\frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi \omega} \sqrt{\frac{\mu^2}{l_{\text{mfp}} \omega}} \right) \\ &\approx -\frac{nL \alpha_S N_c}{\pi l_{\text{mfp}}} \left(2 \sqrt{\frac{E_{\text{LPM}}}{E}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Slowly rising R_{AA}

Plateau at high ρ_T

- If $l_{\text{coh}} > L$, effectively only a single scattering happens. \implies Goes back to BH

If $E > E_L = L^2 \mu^2 / l_{\text{mfp}}$,

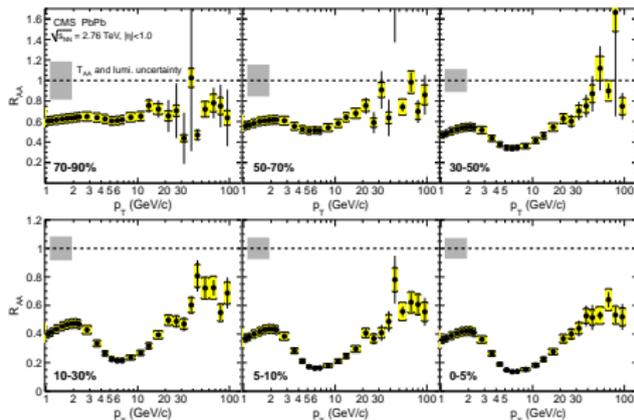
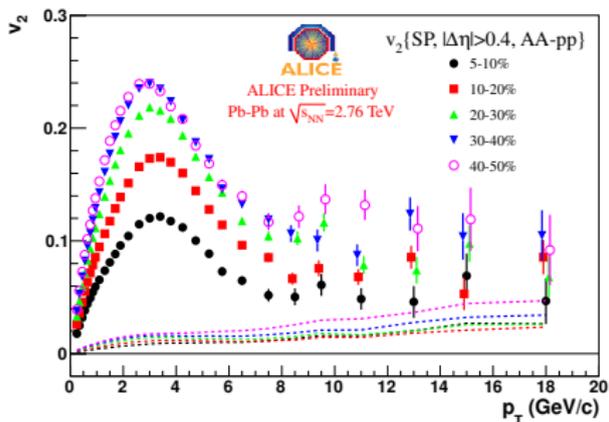
$$\begin{aligned} \ln R_{AA} &\approx -\frac{nL}{E} \int_0^{E_{\text{LPM}}} d\omega \omega \left(\frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi \omega l_{\text{mfp}}} \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{nL}{E} \int_{E_{\text{LPM}}}^{E_L} d\omega \omega \left(\frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi \omega} \sqrt{\frac{\mu^2}{l_{\text{mfp}} \omega}} \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{nL}{E} \int_{E_L}^E d\omega \omega \left(\frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi \omega L} \right) \\ &\approx -n \frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi} \left(1 + \frac{E_L}{E} (1 - l_{\text{mfp}}/L) \right) \end{aligned}$$

This is **approximately constant** for large E .

What is R_{AA} telling us?

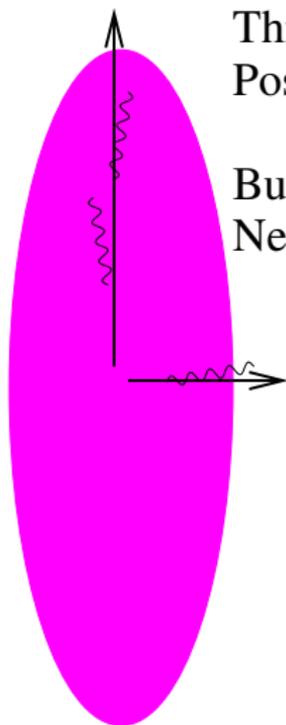
- Dip-rise-flat feature qualitatively understandable
- Opaque medium
- Density of the medium
- Dip in R_{AA} : Could be an indirect indication of the initial temperature.
- Plateau at high p_T : Could be an indication that $l_{\text{coh}} > L$ is reached.
⇒ Extract \hat{q} from $l_{\text{coh}} \approx \sqrt{\omega/\hat{q}}$?

Understanding high p_T part of v_2



- v_2 and R_{AA} : Is there a relationship?

Understanding high p_T part of v_2



This jet loses more energy:
Positive v_2

But it radiates more photons:
Negative photon v_2

Understanding high p_T part of v_2

- Start with an isotropic distribution of high energy particles
- After going through the almond:

$$p_x = E - \Delta E_x$$

$$p_y = E - \Delta E_y$$

That is,

$$p_x^2 \approx E^2 - 2\Delta E_x E$$

- Elliptic flow definition:

$$\begin{aligned} v_2 &= \frac{\langle p_x^2 - p_y^2 \rangle}{\langle p_x^2 + p_y^2 \rangle} \\ &\sim \frac{2\Delta E_y E - 2\Delta E_x E}{2E^2} \\ &= \left(\frac{\Delta E_y - \Delta E_x}{E} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Approx. relationship between R_{AA} and v_2 at high p_T

- BDMPS: If $dN/p_T dp_T \approx 1/p_T^n$, $\ln R_{AA} \approx -n \frac{\Delta E}{E}$
- If $E < E_{\text{LPM}} = \mu^2 l_{\text{mfp}}$, $\ln R_{AA} \approx -\frac{nL \alpha_S N_c}{E \pi_{\text{mfp}}}$

$$v_2 \sim \left(\frac{\Delta E_y - \Delta E_x}{E} \right) \propto (L_y - L_x)$$

Flat v_2

- If $E_{\text{LPM}} < E < E_L = L^2 \mu^2 / l_{\text{mfp}}$,
 $\ln R_{AA} \sim -\frac{nL \alpha_S N_c}{\pi l_{\text{mfp}}} \left(2\sqrt{\frac{E_{\text{LPM}}}{E}} - \frac{E_{\text{LPM}}}{E} \right)$

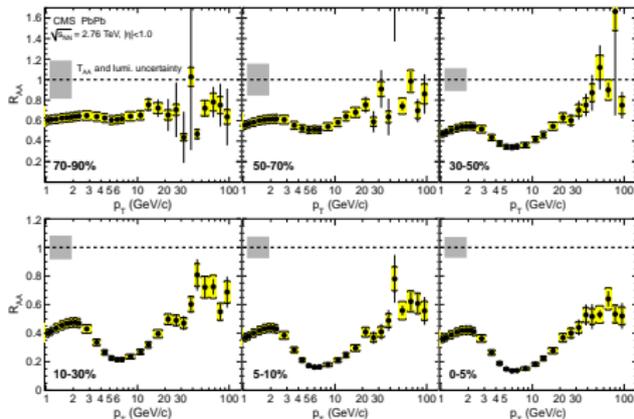
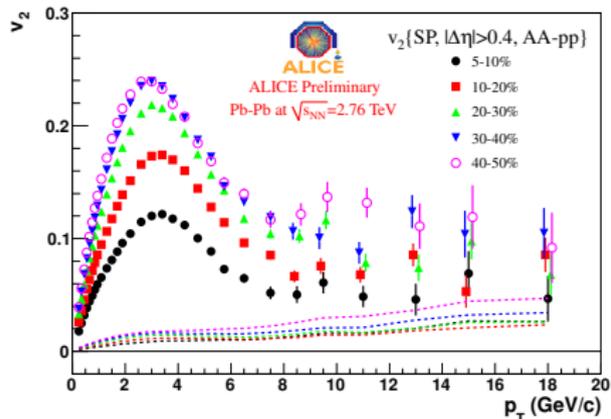
$$v_2 \sim \left(\frac{\Delta E_y - \Delta E_x}{E} \right) \propto (L_y - L_x) \sqrt{\frac{\hat{q}}{E}}$$

Slowly falling v_2

- If $E > E_L = L^2 \mu^2 / l_{\text{mfp}}$, $\ln R_{AA} \approx -n \frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi} \left(1 + \frac{E_L}{E} (1 - l_{\text{mfp}}/L) \right)$

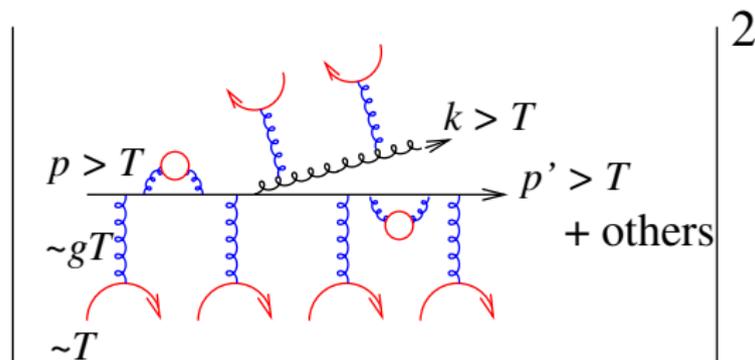
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Faster falling v_2

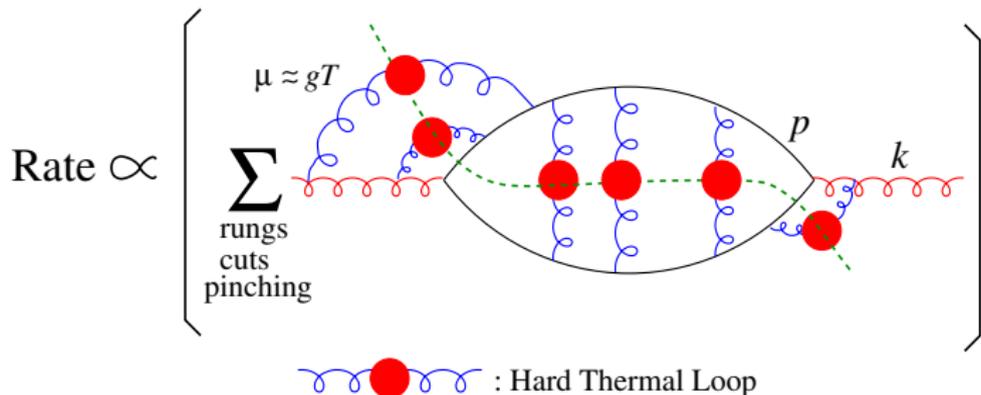


- Data: ALICE and CMS
- High p_T v_2 : Flat, then falls like $1/\sqrt{p_T}$ and then $1/p_T$.
- Can understand high p_T data qualitatively although $1/p_T$ behavior may not be visible since this is for $E > E_L$.
- The slope $dv_2/dp_T \propto -\sqrt{\hat{q}}$
- Of course, this is very rough: Viscosity also curves it down and $p_T \gtrsim 3$ GeV may not be high enough.

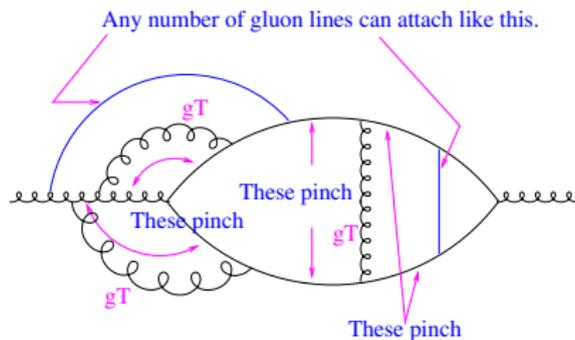
Thermal QCD calculation of the radiation rate



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Need to resum.

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- Leading order: 3 different kinds of collinear pinching poles

- What pinching does: Let

$$P = \left(\frac{i}{p_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2iE_1\Gamma_1} \right)^* \frac{i}{p_2^2 + m_1^2 + 2iE_2\Gamma_2}$$

- Poles for positive energies at $p_1^0 = E_1 - i\Gamma_1$ and $p_2^0 = E_2 + i\Gamma_2$
- If $p_1^0 = E_1 - i\Gamma_1$ puts p_2 also almost on-shell,

$$P \propto \frac{1}{E_1 E_2} \delta(p_1^0 - E_1) \frac{1}{\delta E + i\Gamma_2 + i\Gamma_1}$$

where δE : difference in the real part of the energy

- Physically, this means that an almost on-shell particle lives a long time $\Delta t \sim 1/\delta E \sim 1/\Gamma \implies$ Introduces a secular divergence

- Pinching poles occur when

- $p_1 \approx p_2$: Soft momentum exchange or radiation.

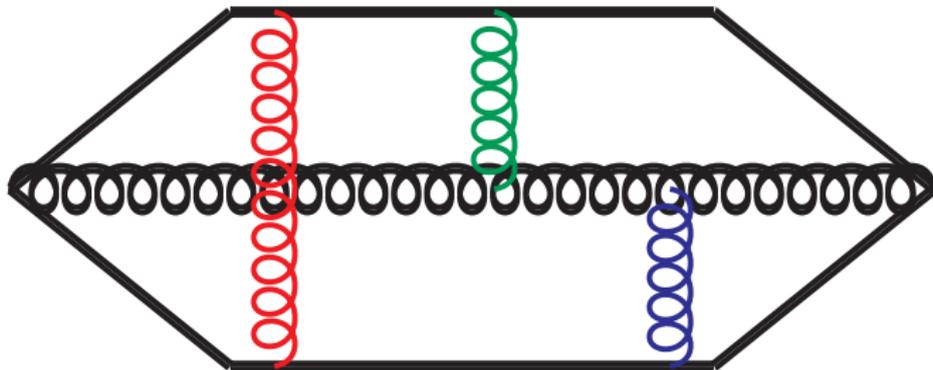
If $p_1^2 + m^2 = O(g^2 T^2)$, so is $p_2^2 + m^2 = O(g^2 T^2)$.

- $p_2 = xp_1$: Collinear radiation.

When $p_1^2 + m^2 = O(g^2 T^2)$,

$$p_2^2 + m^2 = x^2 p_1^2 + m^2 + O(g^2 T^2) = (1 - x^2)m^2 + O(g^2 T^2)$$

When $m \approx gT$, the whole expression is $O(g^2 T^2)$.



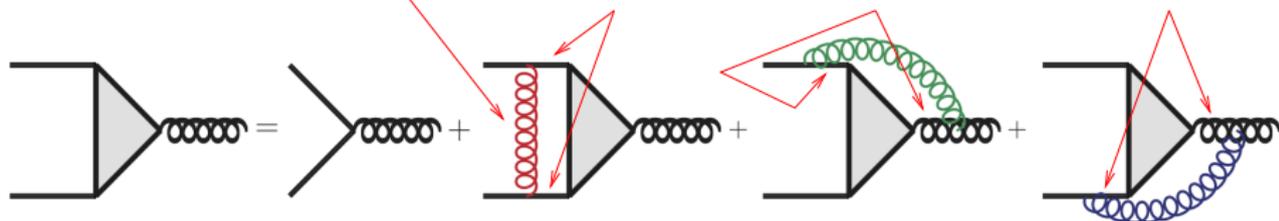
- SD-Eq:

Soft. HTL resummed.

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Figures from G. Qin

- SD Equation for the vertex \mathbf{F}

$$\begin{aligned}
 2\mathbf{h} &= i\delta E(\mathbf{h}, p, k)\mathbf{F}_s(\mathbf{h}) + g^2 \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{q}_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} C(\mathbf{q}_\perp) \times \\
 &\quad \times \left\{ (C_s - C_A/2)[\mathbf{F}_s(\mathbf{h}) - \mathbf{F}_s(\mathbf{h} - k\mathbf{q}_\perp)] \right. \\
 &\quad \quad + (C_A/2)[\mathbf{F}_s(\mathbf{h}) - \mathbf{F}_s(\mathbf{h} + p\mathbf{q}_\perp)] \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathbf{h} = (\mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{k}) \times \mathbf{e}_\parallel$ — Must keep track of both \mathbf{p}_\perp and \mathbf{k}_\perp now. For photons, we could just set $\mathbf{k}_\perp = 0$.

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- s : Process dependence. $q \rightarrow qg, g \rightarrow gg, g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$.
- $g \rightarrow q\bar{q}$: Exchange coeff. of the first and second line
- m_s^2 : Medium induced thermal masses of the emitter.

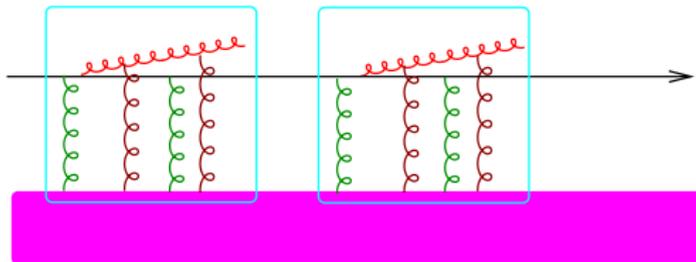
- Rate for $p > T, k > T$ (valid for $p \gg T$ and $k \gg T$ as well)

$$\frac{dN_g(p, k)}{dkdt} = \frac{C_s g_s^2}{16\pi p^7} \frac{1}{1 \pm e^{-k/T}} \frac{1}{1 \pm e^{-(p-k)/T}} \times$$

$$\times \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \frac{1+(1-x)^2}{x^3(1-x)^2} & q \rightarrow qg \\ N_f \frac{x^2+(1-x)^2}{x^2(1-x)^2} & g \rightarrow q\bar{q} \\ \frac{1+x^4+(1-x)^4}{x^3(1-x)^3} & g \rightarrow gg \end{array} \right\}$$

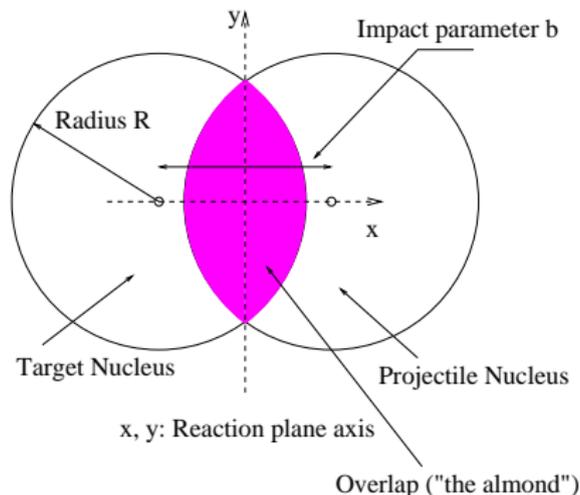
$$\times \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{h}}{(2\pi)^2} 2\mathbf{h} \cdot \text{Re } \mathbf{F}_s(\mathbf{h}, p, k),$$

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- Evolution - Medium enters through $T(t, \mathbf{x})$ and $u^\mu(t, \mathbf{x})$

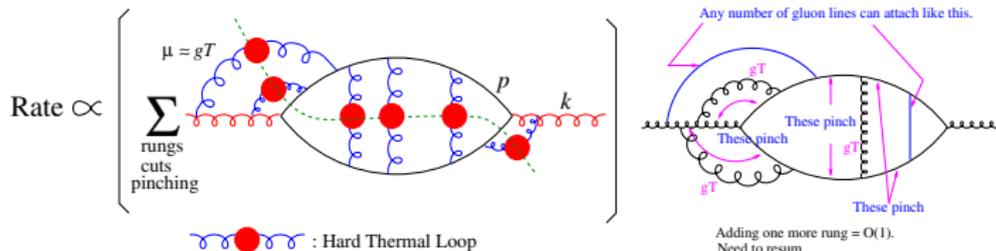
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathcal{P}_q(p)}{dt} &= \int_k \mathcal{P}_q(p+k) \frac{dN_{qg}^q(p+k, k)}{dkdt} - \mathcal{P}_q(p) \int_k \frac{dN_{qg}^q(p, k)}{dkdt} \\ &\quad + \int_k 2\mathcal{P}_g(p+k) \frac{dN_{q\bar{q}}^g(p+k, k)}{dkdt}, \\ \frac{d\mathcal{P}_g(p)}{dt} &= \int_k \mathcal{P}_q(p+k) \frac{dN_{qg}^q(p+k, p)}{dkdt} + \int_k \mathcal{P}_g(p+k) \frac{dN_{gg}^g(p+k, k)}{dkdt} \\ &\quad - \mathcal{P}_g(p) \int_k \left(\frac{dN_{q\bar{q}}^g(p, k)}{dkdt} + \frac{dN_{gg}^g(p, k)}{dkdt} \Theta(k-p/2) \right) \end{aligned}$$



- Modified fragmentation function with jet initial condition $\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{n}, \mathbf{p}_i$

$$\bar{D}_{\pi^0, c}(z, Q; \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{n}) = \int dp_f \frac{z'}{z} \left(\mathcal{P}_{qq/c}(p_f; \mathbf{p}_i) D_{\pi^0/q}(z', Q) + \mathcal{P}_{g/c}(p_f; \mathbf{p}_i) D_{\pi^0/g}(z', Q) \right),$$

$$\tilde{D}(z, Q) = \int d^2s \frac{T_A(\mathbf{s}) T_B(\mathbf{s}+\mathbf{b})}{T_{AB}(\mathbf{b})} \bar{D}_{\pi^0, c}(z, Q; \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{n})$$

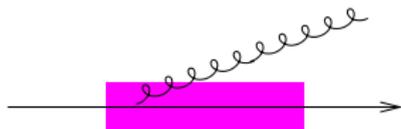


- Collision geometry including path length fluctuations are all included.
- Both BH and LPM limits included
- Includes all leading order splittings
- Includes **thermal absorption**
- All produced quarks and gluons fragment
- Medium evolution ($T(t, \mathbf{x}), u_\mu(t, \mathbf{x})$) fully taken into account including the effect of **flow vector**
- Easy to add other process such as **elastic coll.** γ production within leading order QCD/QED.

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Included in the PDF scale dependence



Correctly dealt with in the AMY–McGill approach



Part of this in the fragmentation function

These two can interfere.

What is not included yet (vacuum-medium interference)

- The L^2 dependence in the heuristic BDMPS expression we got before

$$\ln R_{AA} \approx -n \frac{\alpha_S N_c}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{L\mu^2}{E} + \frac{E_L}{E} \right)$$

cannot be reproduced since original AMY always assumes $L > l_{\text{coh}}$.

- Finite size effect is being worked on (Caron-Huot and Gale).