

QCD jets evolution in non equilibrium plasmas

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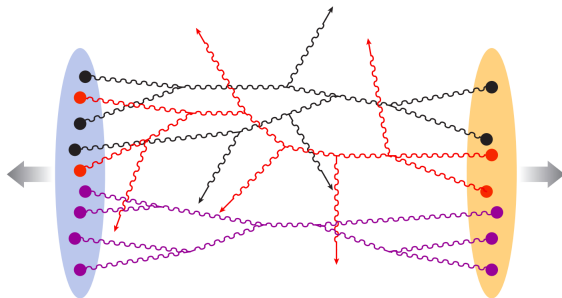
- After a heavy-ion collision, an out-of-equilibrium high-populated system of gluons is produced.

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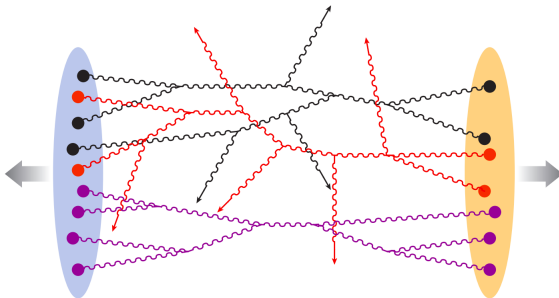
- In the weak coupling limit, this system of gluons evolves following the so called "bottom up thermalization".

Phys. Lett. B 502 (2001). Baier et al.



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- A hard scattering between two partons of the nucleus can produce a jet.
- This highly energetic probes propagate throughout the system.
 - It is affected by the system (jet quenching).
 - It may perturb the thermalization/hydrodynamization process (for example, jet wake).



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- The thermalization process has been explored numerically using the Effective Kinetic Theory (EKT).

JHEP 01 (2003). Arnold, Moore, and Yaffe

Phys. Rev. Lett. 113.18 (2014). Kurkela and Lu

- Recent works propose the Boltzmann Equation in Diffusion Approximation (BEDA) as an alternative approach.

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- We will use this kinetic theory (BEDA) as an unified framework to **the evolution of the bulk and the jet during the thermalization time.**

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- The thermalization can be studied following the time evolution of the screening mass, the jet quenching parameter and the effective temperature and net quark chemical potential¹.

$$m_D^2 = m_D^2[f] \qquad \hat{q} = \hat{q}[f]$$

$$T_*(t) \equiv \frac{\hat{q}}{2\alpha_s N_c m_D^2 \ln \frac{\langle p_t^2 \rangle}{m_D^2}} \qquad \mu_* = \mu_*[f]$$

¹ All quarks are assumed to have identical distribution. In general each flavour would have its own μ_* associated.

- In diffusion approximation, the $2 \leftrightarrow 2$ collision kernel can be expressed as a Fokker-Planck equation plus an additional source term.

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$$C_{2 \leftrightarrow 2}^a = \frac{1}{4} \hat{q}_a(t) \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \left[\nabla_{\mathbf{p}} f^a + \frac{\mathbf{v}}{T^*(t)} f^a (1 + \epsilon_a f^a) \right] + \mathcal{S}_a$$

$$\mathcal{S}_q = \frac{2\pi\alpha_s^2 C_F^2 \ln \frac{\langle p_t^2 \rangle}{m_D^2}}{p} \left[\mathcal{I}_c f (1 - F) - \bar{\mathcal{I}}_c F (1 + f) \right],$$

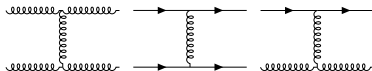
$$\mathcal{S}_{\bar{q}} = \mathcal{S}_q|_{F \leftrightarrow \bar{F}}, \quad \mathcal{S}_g = -\frac{N_f}{2C_F} (\mathcal{S}_q + \mathcal{S}_{\bar{q}}),$$

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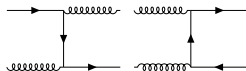
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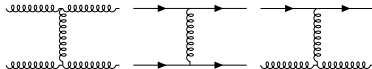


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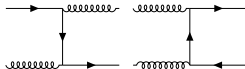
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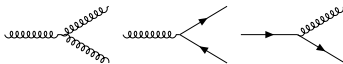
- The $1 \leftrightarrow 2$ kernel can be computed in the deep LPM regime

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$$C_{1 \leftrightarrow 2}^a = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^3} \sum_{b,c} \left[\frac{\nu_c}{\nu_a} C_{ab}^c(\mathbf{p}/x; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}(1-x)/x) - \frac{1}{2} C_{bc}^a(\mathbf{p}; x\mathbf{p}, (1-x)\mathbf{p}) \right]$$

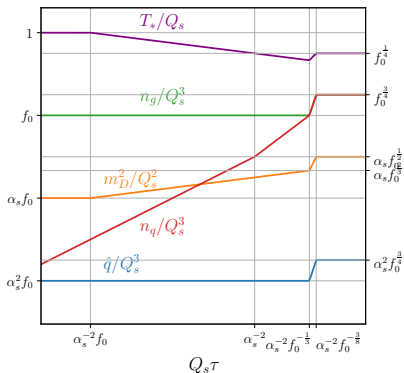
- The $C_{bc}^a(\mathbf{p}; x\mathbf{p}, (1-x)\mathbf{p})$ describes the collinear splitting $a \leftrightarrow bc$. The three possible processes involved are the three QCD interaction vertices.



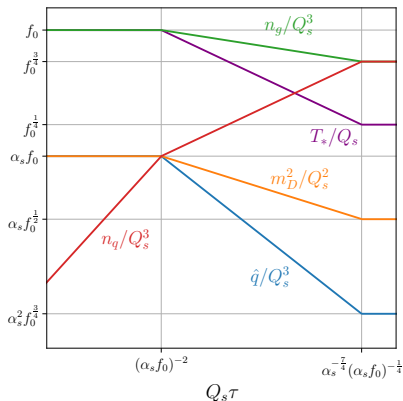
- The parametric evolution has been well understood in both under and overpopulated limits

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Parametric estimation for $f_0 \ll 1$



Parametric estimation for $f_0 \gg 1$

- We can explore the jet as a perturbation to an spatially homogeneous medium.

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- This allows us to integrate out the spatial dependence

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$$\partial_t \bar{\delta f}^a(\mathbf{p}, t) = \delta C_{2\leftrightarrow 2}^a[f, \bar{\delta f}] + \delta C_{1\leftrightarrow 2}^a[f, \bar{\delta f}],$$

$$\bar{\delta f}^a(\mathbf{p}, t) \equiv \int d^3\mathbf{x} \delta f^a(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x}, t)$$

- We have derived the linearized version of the BEDA.
- The Focker-Planck term writes

$$\delta C_{2 \leftrightarrow 2, FP}^a = \frac{\delta \hat{q}}{4} \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \left[\nabla_{\mathbf{p}} f_0^a + \frac{\mathbf{v}}{T_*^0} f_0^a (1 + \epsilon^a f_0^a) \right] +$$

$$\frac{\hat{q}_0}{4} \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \left[\nabla_{\mathbf{p}} \delta f^a + \frac{\mathbf{v}}{T_*^0} \left(\delta f^a (1 + \epsilon^a 2f_0^a) - \frac{\delta T_*^0}{T_*^0} f_0^a (1 + \epsilon^a f_0^a) \right) \right]$$

- The source term

$$\delta S_{q^i} = \frac{2\pi\alpha_s^2 C_F^2 \mathcal{L}}{p} \left[\left(\delta \mathcal{I}_c^i f_0 (1 - F_0^i) - \delta \bar{\mathcal{I}}_c^i F_0^i (1 + f_0) \right) + \right.$$

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$$\delta S_g = - \frac{1}{2C_F} \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} (S_{q^i} + S_{\bar{q}^i})$$

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- This set of equations completes the equation used for study thermalization in the soft sector of jets

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- Previous works have studied the behaviour of this jets in EKT for (non-evolving) thermal backgrounds.

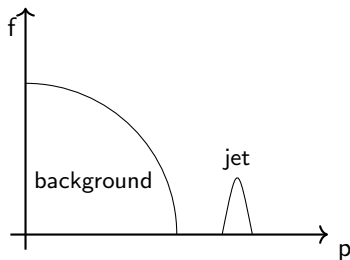
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- Similar methods have been used to study minijets in both thermal and non thermal backgrounds.

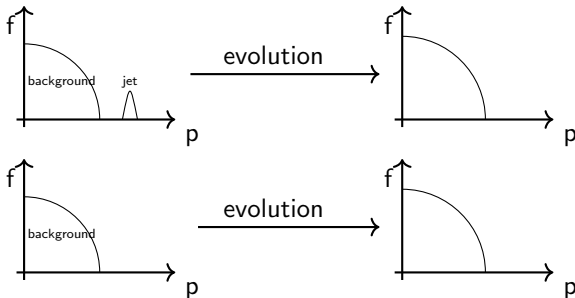
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- We will explore the evolution of jets in both types of mediums.

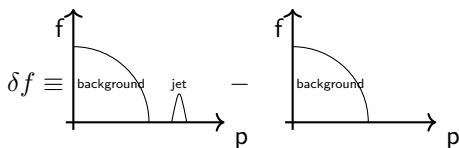
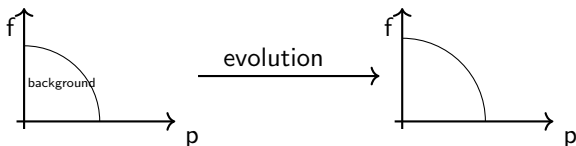
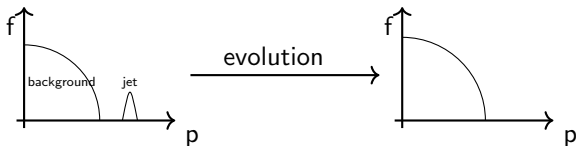


- In the numerical results, the perturbation will contain 10% of the total energy of the system.

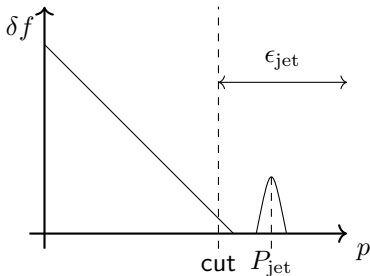
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- We can get an estimation of the energy loss of the jet computing the energy up to some momentum cut.



$$\epsilon_{\text{loss}} \equiv 1 - \frac{\epsilon_{\text{jet}}}{\epsilon_{\text{jet},0}}$$

- The balance equation attempts to reproduce the behaviour of the IR cascade with a simpler description than the full Boltzmann equation.

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- This equation can be solved exactly if one simplifies the BDMPS-Z splitting rate.

$$x \frac{dN}{dx} \approx D_0(x, \tau) \propto \frac{\tau}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}^{\frac{3}{2}}} e^{-\frac{\pi\tau^2}{1-x}}, \quad \tau \equiv \alpha\sqrt{\omega_c}2E$$

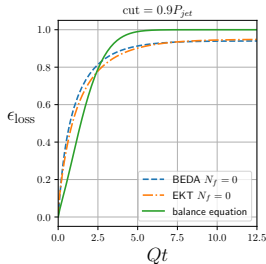
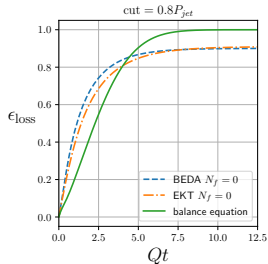
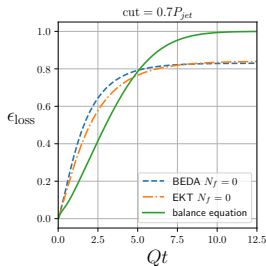
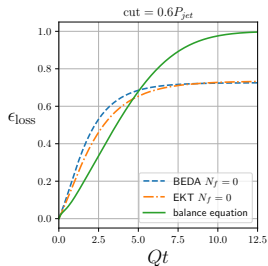
- The result of this can be interpreted as those from the Quenching Weights for the soft gluon emission if one takes the limit $x \rightarrow 1$.

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$$\epsilon D(\epsilon) \approx \alpha \sqrt{\frac{\omega_c}{\epsilon}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\pi\alpha^2\omega_c}{2\epsilon}\right\}$$

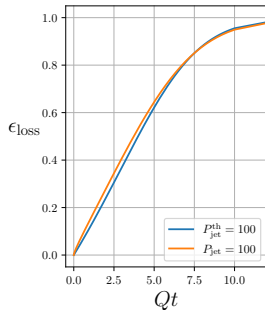
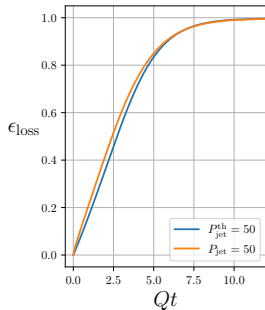
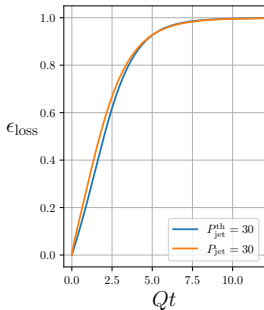
- We will compare the results from both EKT and BEDA with those from the balance equation in order to see how accurate it is.



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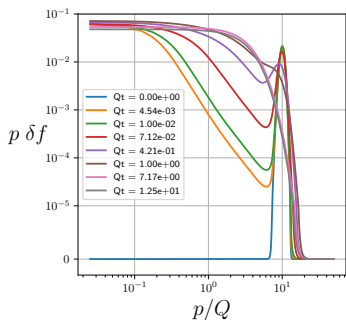
- **BEDA and EKT agrees better at larger times / larger mediums, when the LPM effect is more important.**

- Jets with higher momentum need longer time to lose all of its energy.
- The jet energy loss is clearly different at early times, due to the high occupancy of the bath.
- The thermalization time of this jets is undistinguishable.

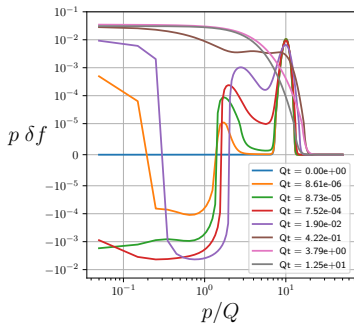


Energy loss for both thermal and overoccupied background (cut = $0.7P_{\text{jet}}$)

- Some **negativity** appears in the perturbation for non equilibrium plasma which might be related with the jet wake in the initial stages.
- This feature only shows up for **overpopulated backgrounds**.



Gluon perturbation for thermal background



Gluon perturbation for overpopulated out of equilibrium background

- The framework of kinetic theories is a tool for explore the thermalization/hydrodynamization of the QGP.
- It can also be applied to the study of the evolution of jets during the initial stages of a heavy ion collision.
- Both EKT and BEDA seems to agree qualitatively in features such as the energy loss of the jet.
- The energy loss of the jet only distinguish the medium at early times.
- The medium being initially overoccupied or not might set some imprints in the wake of the jet.
- Future work in this direction should study the behaviour of more realistic jets using a more general geometry for the BEDA.

Thanks for your attention!

Back-up

- Jet quenching parameter

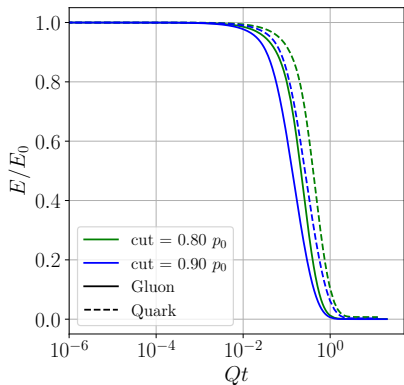
$$\hat{q}_a = 8\pi\alpha_s^2 C_a \ln \frac{\langle p_t^2 \rangle}{m_D^2} \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \left[N_c f(1+f) + \frac{N_f}{2} F(1-F) + \frac{N_f}{2} \bar{F}(1-\bar{F}) \right]$$

- Screening mass

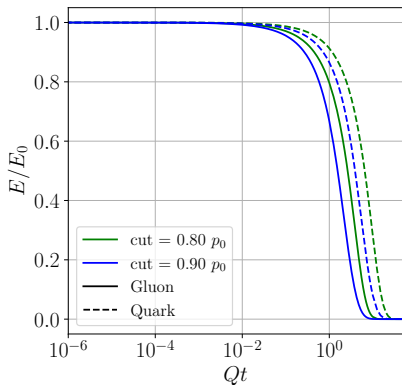
$$m_D^2 = 8\pi\alpha_s \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{p}|} \left(N_c f + \frac{N_f}{2} F + \frac{N_f}{2} \bar{F} \right)$$

- Integrals \mathcal{I}_c

$$\mathcal{I}_c = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{p} [f + F + f(F - \bar{F})], \quad \bar{\mathcal{I}}_c = \mathcal{I}_c|_{F \leftrightarrow \bar{F}}$$



Energy loss for thermal background



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