

Dilepton Signature of a First-Order Phase Transition

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Goal



- Calculate dilepton invariant mass spectra of heavy-ion collisions
- Extract excitation functions of temperature, life time of heavy-ion collisions
- Predict dilepton signature of a first order phase transition
- Method of choice: Coarse Graining
 - bulk evolution from microscopic transport
 - ➡ apply equilibrium rates locally

 $\frac{dN_{ll}}{d^4xd^4q} = -\frac{\alpha_{EM}^2}{\pi^3 M^2} L(M^2) f^{BE}(q_0, T) \text{Im}\Pi_{EM}(M, q, \mu_B, T)_{\text{McLerran-Toimela, Phys. Rev. D 31 (1985), p. 545)}$

 $\Pi_{EM}^{\mu\nu}(q_0, q, \mu_B, T) = -i\int d^4x e^{iqx} \Theta(x^0) \langle [j^{\mu}(x), j^{\nu}(0)] \rangle_{T,\mu_B}$ $j_{EM}^{\mu} = \sum_{q=u,d,s} \bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}qe_q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}j_{\rho}^{\mu} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}j_{\omega}^{\mu} + \frac{1}{3}j_{\phi}^{\mu}$

Takeaway: Dilepton yield depends on T, μ_B (ρ_B), is obtained by integrating over space-time and 4-momentum, ρ is short lived and gives largest contribution



 $L(M^2)$: Phase space factor

Z[fm]

 $f^{BE}(q_0, T)$: Bose-Einstein factor

 $Im\Pi_{EM}$: Electromagnetic spectral function

Determination of bulk properties



- No bulk properties with discrete entities?
 - Particles as gaussians:

$$P(\vec{x}, \vec{x}_0) = \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} e^{-\frac{(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2 + \gamma^2(z-z_0)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Determination of temperatures: exponential fit to transverse mass spectra of pions

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$$m_t = \sqrt{E^2 - p_z^2}$$



Seck, Master thesis 2015



Relaxation function



Pion density



Baryon density

UrQMD v3.4

GiBUU v2021

Skyrme Potential

0-10 %

20

Au+Au $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.42 \text{ GeV}^-$

25

Time τ/(fm/c)

30

---- SMASH v2.0.1

10

15

5

PHSD v4.0

Temperature



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Coarse Graining

 $\rho/\rho_{_{0}}$



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Thermal dileptons: comparison to HADES data (RC-TR 211)



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Invariant mass spectra and ratios of dilepton spectra

Dilepton radiation in Hydrodynamics

Implementation of "strong" 1st-order transition into CMF/PNJL model by increasing scalar quark couplings

➡ Dilepton radiation increases by factor ~2 for hydro with phase transition

Seck et al. arXiv:2010.04614 [nucl-th]

- Future Plans:
 - Extend the FRG spectral function to finite momenta
 - Extract EoS
 - ➡ Feed EoS into UrQMD and other transport models allowing for custom EoS
 - ➡ Calculate excitation function of dilepton temperature and yield for different EoS
 - ➡ Predict dilepton signature of first order chiral phase transition