Search for jet-induced diffusion wake in Z/γ-jets in heavy-ion collisions

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Jet quenching

- Experimental discovery of jet quenching at Relativistic Heavy-ion Collider (RHIC) provides important evidence for the formation of strongly coupled quark-gluon plasma (QGP).

- Jet quenching is a powerful tool for the study of QGP properties.
  - It leads to suppression of leading hadrons, dihadron and γ-hadron correlations.
  - It also modifies jet spectra, dijet and γ-jet correlations, jet profiles and jet fragmentation functions.
Jet-induced medium response

- Since jets are reconstructed from collimated cluster of hadrons within a jet cone, the final jet modification is determined by:
  - Energy loss of the leading jet show partons
  - How the lost energy is redistributed in the evolving medium.

- The continuous deposition of the lost energy-momentum from jet will induce medium response in the form of Mach-Cone-like excitation. It will
  - transform to soft hadrons in large region.
  - partially within jet cone contribute to the final reconstructed jet.

Isolation and detailed study of the medium response are therefore:
  - fundamental to fully understand jet queching phenomena.
  - crucial for using them to extract bulk properties of the QGP.
CoLBT-hydro model can concurrently describe:

- Space-time evolution of hot-dense medium (CLVisc)
- Jet propagation and transport (LBT)
- Jet-induced medium response in the process of jet-medium interaction in real time.
How to describe the interaction between jet partons and medium?

At each time interval:

1. Carry out jet partons transport according to the surrounding medium info
2. Sort jet partons according to a cut-off parameter $p_{cut}$
   - hard partons $p \cdot u > p_{cut}^1$
   - soft and negative partons $p \cdot u < p_{cut}^0$
3. Update medium information by solving the hydrodynamic equations with source term.

$$\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} = J^{\nu}$$
Jet observables related to jet-induced medium response

- Jet substructure observables are considered to be sensitive to the jet-induced medium response.
- We focus on the study of jet fragmentation function and jet profiles to investigate the medium response effect and search for its signal.

Main features:
- Suppression of hadrons at small $\xi$ (large $z$)
  - Enhancement of hadrons at large $\xi$ (small $z$)
  - Enhancement of soft hadrons at large radius.

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Jet energy loss

jet-induced medium response
Medium response & soft gluon radiation

- The enhancement of soft hadrons yield is also contributed from medium-induced soft gluon radiations.
- The energy scale $\omega \sim T$ for radiative gluons induced by jet-medium interaction is also similar to that from the jet-induced medium response.

\[
\text{Medium response: } f(p) \sim e^{-\sqrt{\ln(p/T)}} \quad \text{Energy scale: } \omega \sim T
\]

Soft radiated gluons:

\[
\omega_g \sim \hat{q} \lambda^2 \sim T
\]

We can’t distinguish them according to the experimental observables.

We should search for unambiguous signatures of medium response without any similar competing effect.
Jet-induced diffusion wake

- The jet-induced medium response consists of not only the wave front but also the diffusion wake.

Microscopically, each jet medium interaction kicks the medium parton into a recoil particle and leaves behind a "particle-hole".

- Transport of the recoil particles forms the wave front.
- The diffusion of the "particle-holes" leads to the diffusion wake.

- The diffusion wake leads to a depletion of soft hadrons in the back direction of the jet and, therefore, is an unambiguous signal of the jet-induced medium excitation.
The signals of diffusion wake at RHIC energy

Azimuthal angle distribution of associated hadrons yield

The signal of jet-induced diffusion wake:

The depletion of soft hadrons in the $\gamma$ direction in $1 < p_T^h < 2$ GeV/c.

$$\Delta \phi_{gh} = \phi_h - \phi_\gamma \quad \text{le} \quad \phi_\gamma = 0$$

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No signals of diffusion wake at LHC energy?

- The more obvious depletion in azimuthal angle distribution is expected at LHC energy.
  - Larger jet $p_T$
  - more strongly interacting medium

- However, CMS show an enhanced soft hadron yield in the Z direction in Pb+Pb collisions.

- CoLBT-hydro results agree with CMS data.
The effect of Multiple Parton Interaction (MPI)

- All particles produced in the same p+p collision as the triggered Z boson are signal.
- Non-zero hadron yield in Z direction comes mainly from MPI associated with a triggered hard process.
- Multiple minijet production will be enhanced in triggered jet events with increasing collision energy and trigger jet pt region.

Interaction of these minijets from MPI with the medium will lead to an enhancement of soft hadrons, which covers up the signal of diffusion wake.
MPI subtraction in Z-hadron correlation

- To search for signals of the jet-induced diffusion wake, we devise a procedure to subtract the MPI’s contribution:

\[
\frac{dN_{\text{MPI}}^{Z}}{d\phi} = \frac{dN_{\text{mix}}^{Z}}{d\phi} - \int_{1}^{\pi} \frac{d\phi}{\pi} \left( \frac{dN_{\text{MPI}}^{Z}}{d\phi} - \frac{dN_{\text{mix}}^{Z}}{d\phi} \right)_{\phi=1}
\]

- A signal of the jet-induced diffusion wake similar to the γ-hadron correlation at RHIC after the subtraction of the MPI contribution.

- Comparison to the medium modification without MPI (dashed) shows that the subtraction procedure works well.

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2D jet tomography

To make the effect of diffusion wake enhanced, we select the specific events using 2D jet tomography.

- **Longitudinal jet tomography:**

Select the small value of the $\gamma$-jet momentum asymmetry to bias toward longer jet propagation length $p^h/p^\gamma$

\[ z_T \sim 1 \quad \text{mainly from surface emission} \]

\[ z_T \sim 0.3 \quad \text{mainly from volume emission} \]

Transverse gradient jet tomography:

Select the value of the transverse asymmetry to localize the transverse production position of the initial jet.

\[ A_{\vec{r}} = \frac{\int d\phi [(dN^+/d\phi)_{\phi - \phi_n > 0} - (dN^+/d\phi)_{\phi - \phi_n < 0}]}{\int d\phi dN^+/d\phi} \]


Different angular structure of jet-induced medium response when fixing initial position and jet direction.

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The asymmetric features and the diffusion wake are clearly seen even without subtraction of the MPI background.

Enhanced soft hadrons in jet direction as well as soft hadron depletion in the \( \gamma \) direction in
3D structure of jet-induced medium response:

- **In p-p collision:**
  - A jet peak on the top of a ridge along azimuthal angle from MPI

- **In Pb-Pb collision:**
  - Enhanced jet peak due to medium modification.
  - A valley is formed on top of the MPI ridge due to the depletion of soft hadrons by jet-induced diffusion wake.

The structure of this valley in rapidity $\Delta \eta$ as a unique signal of the diffusion wake without subtraction of MPI background.
A 2-Gaussian fit method is used to separate the DF-wake valley and MPI ridge in the jet-hadron correlation. The DF-wake valley on top of the MPI ridge gives rise to a double peak feature.

$$ \Delta \eta = \eta_h - \eta_{jet} \quad \Delta \phi = \phi_h - \phi_{jet} $$

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Summary

- We have investigated Z/γ-hadron correlation in high-energy heavy-ion collisions within the CoLBT-hydro model in search for the signal of jet-induced diffusion wake.
  - A depletion of soft hadrons at Z/γ-direction as a signal of jet-induced diffusion wake can be seen after the subtraction of MPI contribution.
  - 2D jet tomography method can be used to enhance the signal of jet-induced diffusion wake.

- We explore the 3D structure of the diffusion wake in γ-jet events.
  - The valley in rapidity Δη caused by the diffusion wake while the ridge is mostly due to soft hadrons from MPI.
  - The diffusion wake valley and MPI ridge can be extracted by a 2-Gaussian fit method.
  - We check the sensitivity of the medium response on the shear viscosity and...