Towards thermalization in heavy-ion collisions: CGC meets the 2PI formalism

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Early stage of HIC



Gluodynamics in the $\tau - \eta$ coordinates

Proper time
$$\tau = \sqrt{t^2 - (x^3)^2}$$
, Rapidity $\eta = \tanh^{-1} \frac{x^3}{t}$

Solve the classical Yang—Mills equation in the gauge
$$A^{ au} = 0$$

$$-\frac{1}{\tau}\partial_{\tau}\left(\frac{1}{\tau}\partial_{\tau}A_{\eta}\right) + \frac{1}{\tau^{2}}D_{i}F_{i\eta} = 0,$$

$$-\frac{1}{\tau}\partial_{\tau}\left(\tau\partial_{\tau}A_{i}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{\tau^{2}}D_{\eta}F_{\eta i} + D_{j}F_{ji}\right) = 0$$

with the initial condition

$$A_{i} = \mathcal{A}_{i}^{1} + \mathcal{A}_{i}^{2}, \qquad A_{\eta} = 0,$$

$$\tau \partial_{\tau} A_{i} = 0, \qquad \frac{1}{\tau} \partial_{\tau} A_{\eta}^{a} = -g f_{abc} \mathcal{A}_{i}^{1b} \mathcal{A}_{i}^{2c}$$

Kovner, McLerran, Weigert (1995)



Classical statistical approach

Classical YM eq. alone is insufficient for the problem of thermalization. Need quantum fluctuations Romatschuke, Venugopalan (2006);

State of the art : (Classical Yang-Mills on a lattice) + (Gaussian averaging of Quantum fluctuations)

vanishing 1-point function $\langle A
angle = 0$ the initial condition characterized by the 2-point function $\langle AA
angle$

Berges, Scheffler, Sexty, (2008)

background CGC field $\langle A \rangle_J \neq 0$ + fluctuations $\langle \delta A \delta A \rangle$.
Integrate over J at the end

Dusling, Gelis, Venugopalan, (2011)

2PI formalism

Berges, AIP conf. proc. 739, 3 (2005)

- First principle calculation in field theories out of equilibrium (Kadanoff-Baym).
- Based on the CJT effective action

$$\begin{split} \Gamma[A,G] &= S_{YM}[A] + \frac{i}{2} \mathrm{tr} \ln G^{-1} + \frac{i}{2} \mathrm{tr} G_0^{-1}[A]G + \Gamma_2[A,G] \end{split}$$

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Classical field Quantum fluctuation $G = \langle \delta A \delta A \rangle$ 2PI diagrams

 Achieves quantum thermal equilibrium (Bose-Einstein distribution) starting from far-fromequilibrium initial conditions

`tsunami' distribution



(2+1)D gluodynamics

Nishiyama, Ohnishi, arXiv: 1011.4750



Bose-Einstein distribution

2PI effective action

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 $G(x, x') = \langle \mathcal{T}_C \{ \delta A(x) \delta A(x') \} \rangle = \underbrace{\mathcal{F}}_{2} \underbrace{i}_{2} (\theta_C(\tau - \tau') - \theta_C(\tau' - \tau)) \underbrace{\rho}_{2}$ ``Statistical function" ``Spectral function"

Equation for the classical field

Rescale $\zeta \equiv \tau \eta$ $A_{\eta} = \tau A_{\zeta}$, $a_{\eta} = \tau a_{\zeta}$, $\partial_{\eta} = \tau \partial_{\zeta}$

In the new coordinates $x^{I} = (\zeta, x_{\perp})$

Feynman rules are formally the same as in the flat metric case.

Equation for the fluctuation

Remarks

• Transform covariantly under the residual

(τ -independent) gauge transformation

$$A_I \to U A_I U^{\dagger} + \frac{i}{g} U \partial_I U^{\dagger} \quad a_I^a \to (U a_I U^{\dagger})^a = U^{ab} a_I^b$$

- Challenging to solve numerically if the background is inhomogeneous.
 Berges , Roth (2010)
- The initial condition for ${\mathcal F}\,$ nontrivial

Fukushima, Gelis, McLerran (2007) Dusling, Gelis, Venugopalan (2011)

Comparison with the previous work

Son (1996) ; Dusling, Epelbaum, Gelis, Venugopalan, (2010)

Solve the YM equation perturbatively

$$A = A^{(0)} + A^{(1)} + A^{(2)} + \cdots$$

exact classical solution linearized around the solution

with the initial condition $A(\tau_0) = A^{(0)}(\tau_0) + A^{(1)}(\tau_0)$ identify $\mathcal{F}^{(0)}(x, y) \equiv A^{(1)}(x)A^{(1)}(y)$



Diagrammatic interpretation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial_{\tau}^{2}A_{I} + \frac{1}{\tau}\partial_{\tau}A_{I} - \delta_{I\zeta}\frac{A_{I}}{\tau^{2}} - D_{J}F_{JI} \end{pmatrix}^{a} \\ = gf_{abc} \left(D_{xI}^{bc}\mathcal{F}_{JJ}^{cc}(x,y) + D_{xJ}^{bc} \left(\mathcal{F}_{JI}^{cc}(x,y) - 2\mathcal{F}_{IJ}^{cc}(x,y)\right) \right)_{y=x} \\ + \frac{ig^{2}}{2}C_{ab,cd} \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\tau} d^{4}y V_{lmn,LMN}^{y} \left[\rho_{IL}^{bl}(x,y)\mathcal{F}_{JM}^{cm}(x,y)\mathcal{F}_{JN}^{dn}(x,y) \\ + \left(\mathcal{F}\rho\mathcal{F}\right) + \left(\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}\rho\right) - \frac{1}{4}(\rho\rho\rho) \right] \\ \left[\left(\partial_{\tau}^{2} + \frac{1}{\tau}\partial_{\tau} - \frac{1}{\tau^{2}}\delta_{I\zeta} \right) \delta_{IJ} - \left(D^{2}\delta_{IJ} - D_{I}D_{J} - 2igF_{IJ} \right) \right]^{ab} \mathcal{F}_{JK}^{bc}(x,y) \\ + g^{2} \left(C_{ad,bc}\mathcal{F}_{IJ}^{dc}(x,x) + \frac{1}{2}C_{ab,dc}\mathcal{F}_{MM}^{dc}(x,x)\delta_{IJ} \right) \mathcal{F}_{JK}^{bc}(x,y) \\ = -\int_{\tau_{0}}^{\tau} d^{4}z \, \Pi_{\rho}(x,z)_{IJ}^{ab}\mathcal{F}_{JK}^{bc}(z,y) + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\tau'} d^{4}z \, \Pi_{\mathcal{F}}(x,z)_{IJ}^{ab}\rho_{JK}^{bc}(z,y), \\ \Pi_{\mathcal{F}}(x,y)_{IJ}^{ab} = \frac{1}{2} \, \overline{V}_{alm,ILM}^{x} \left(\mathcal{F}_{LL'}^{ll'}\mathcal{F}_{MM'}^{mm'} - \frac{1}{4}\rho_{LL'}^{ll'}\rho_{MM'}^{mm'} \right)_{xy} \, \overline{V}_{bl'm',JL'M'}^{y} \\ \end{cases}$$

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Classical approximation

$$\mathcal{FF} \gg \rho \rho \to 0$$

In free scalar theory at equilibrium,

$$\mathcal{F}(t-t',p) = \frac{\cos(t-t')p}{p} \left(n(p) + \frac{1}{2} \right) \qquad \rho(t-t',p) = \frac{\sin(t-t')p}{p}$$

Valid at low momentum

$$p \ll T$$

Classical thermal equilibrium (Rayleigh-Jeans)

$$\Pi_{\rho}\mathcal{F} - \rho\Pi_{\mathcal{F}} = 0 \quad \blacksquare \quad n(p) = \frac{T}{p} - \frac{1}{2}$$

Classical statistical : all loops, but systematically neglect ho
ho terms at each order

2PI : fixed loop, but keep all terms. essential for quantum equilibration : Bose-Einstein, Boltzmann (exponential)

Problems (and qualms)

• Fixed order 2PI : Gauge dependence is of higher order (Arrizabalaga-Smit), Ward identities OK for bare theory (Reinosa-Serreau). Survives renormalization?

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$$\langle A
angle = 0$$
 or $\langle A
angle
eq 0$?

- Breaks down at the height of instability?
- Numerically (very) expensive when $\langle A \rangle \neq 0$