

Electromagnetic fields and heavy flavor in relativistic heavy ion collisions

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- Brief introduction about the electromagnetic fields created in HICs and related HF studies
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- Heavy Flavor production in a strong magnetic field.
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Electromagnetic in HIC



W. Deng and X. Huang, PRC 85, 044907 (2012).

Strongest B field and E field generated in HIC. (~70 m_{π}^2 at LHC and ~5 m_{π}^2 at RHIC; ~10²⁰ Gauss).

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x (fm)

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Heavy Flavor: a sensitive probe to EM fields



- $\tau_B \approx R/\gamma \sim 0.1 \text{fm/c}$, lifetime of the strong electromagnetic fields in vacuum.
- + $\tau_c \sim 1/m_c \approx 0.07 \text{ fm/c}, \tau_b \sim 1/m_b \approx 0.02 \text{ fm/c}, \text{ produced at very stage.}$ $m_c \sim 1.5 \text{GeV}$ $m_b \sim 4.7 \text{GeV}$

$$\tau_c, \tau_b \lesssim \tau_B$$

Heavy flavor can be a nice probe!

Quarkonium photoproduction



Exceed at very low pT!



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 $\Delta v_1 = v_1(D^0) - v_1(\bar{D}^0)$

See also: S. Chatterjee and P. Bozek. PRL120(2018)192301; Y. Sun, S. Das, S. Plumari, V. Greco. et al. PLB768(2017) 260-264. PLB 816 (2021) 136271.

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- Probably: J/ψ , D meson polarization



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EM fields evolution and lifetime

Above EM-fields related effects rely on both the strength and lifetime of EM-fields



Uncertainty : QGP electrical conductivity / QGP expanding / pre-equilibrium stage....

EM fields evolution

- * EM fields evolution in the pre-equilibrium stage with dynamic generation of quarks.
- * Incomplete electromagnetic response of QCD matter

Boltzmann Approach of MultiParton Scatterings (BAMPS) Z. Xu, C. Greiner, Phys. Rev. C71, 064901(2005)...

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\mathbf{p}_{1}}{E_{1}}\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{r}} + \mathbf{F}_{1}\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}}\right)f_{1} = C_{22} + \mathcal{O}_{x3} + \dots,$$

$$\partial_{\mu}F^{\mu\nu} = j_{ext}^{\nu} + j_{ind}^{\nu}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{1} = q(\mathbf{p}_{1}/E_{1} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{E}) \quad Lorentz \ force$$

The induced em fields are calculated via the Lienard-Wiechert potential:

$$e\boldsymbol{E}(\boldsymbol{r},t) = \alpha_{em} \left(\frac{\boldsymbol{n}_{s} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_{s}}{\gamma^{2}(1 - \boldsymbol{\beta}_{s} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{s})^{3}|\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}_{s}|^{2}} + \frac{\boldsymbol{n}_{s} \times ((\boldsymbol{n}_{s} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_{s}) \times \boldsymbol{\beta}_{s})}{(1 - \boldsymbol{\beta}_{s} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{s})^{3}|\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}_{s}|} \right)_{tr},$$

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0

EM fields evolution in pre-equilibrium stage



The evolution of the total magnetic field at pre-equilibrium stage is almost same as the vacuum case!

Incomplete electromagnetic response of hot QCD matter



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The E field induced due to a changing B field is:

$$\nabla \times E = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t}$$
The E field will generate a Faraday current $i^{Ohm} = \sigma_{el}E$ This current will create
a B field which opposes changes in the external magnetic field (Lenz's law).
In general case, use the Maxwell equation:
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \epsilon \mu \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} \left(\mu \sigma_{el} (\mathbf{E} + \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \times \mathbf{B}) \right) \mu \mathbf{j}, \qquad Ohm's law$$
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0,$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t},$$
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \rho,$$

Incomplete electromagnetic response of hot QCD matter

We challenge the Ohm's law in hot QCD medium.

$$\mathbf{j}^{Ohm} = \sigma_{el}(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{B})$$

It needs some time for the current to reach \mathbf{j}^{Ohm} .

The lifetime of B-field: τ_{R}

The relaxation of induced current: $\tau_{Ohm} \sim \sigma_{el}/T^2$

• Normal case: conductor, QED-plasma...

 $\tau_{Ohm} \ll \tau_B$

• QCD medium: quark-gluon plasma $\tau_B \sim R/\gamma \approx 0.06 fm/c$ $\tau_{Ohm} \sim 1 fm/c \gg \tau_B \quad (\sigma_{el}/T \approx 0.03, T = 225 MeV)$



Z. Wang, **JZhao**, C. Greiner, Z. Xu, and P. Zhuang. Phys.Rev.C 105 (2022) 4, L041901

Incomplete electromagnetic response of hot QCD matter

In real heavy ion collisions:

Z. Wang, **JZhao**, C. Greiner, Z. Xu, and P. Zhuang. Phys.Rev.C 105 (2022) 4, L041901



Considering the incomplete electromagnetic response, The induced magnetic field is tiny at early times even the QGP appears at the early stage!

Consider both two effects (pre-equilibrium + incomplete em response), the EM fields may be suppressed largely. This may undermine experimental efforts to measure magnetic-field-related effects in HIC!

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$$\chi=\sqrt{1-4m^2/s}$$

B. L. Combridge, Nucl. Phys. B 151, 429 (1979).



Never did before. But in QED sector, there are many studies to characterize the matter-radiation scattering on the magnetar surface.

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We first investigate the QCD processes in a strong magnetic field created in HIC

1. Dirac equation in external magnetic field

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$$\left[i\gamma^{\mu}\left(\partial_{\mu}+iqA_{\mu}\right)-m\right]\psi=0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^{2} &= p_{z}^{2} + \epsilon_{n}^{2}, \\ \epsilon_{n}^{2} &= m^{2} + p_{n}^{2} = m^{2} + 2n|q|B \\ \text{Landau level} \\ \psi_{\mp}^{\sigma}(x,p) &= \begin{cases} e^{-ip \cdot x} u_{\sigma}(x,p) \\ e^{ip \cdot x} v_{\sigma}(x,p) \end{cases} & u_{+}(x,p) = \frac{1}{f_{n}} \begin{bmatrix} (\epsilon + \epsilon_{n})(\epsilon_{n} + m)\phi_{n} \\ (\epsilon + \epsilon_{n})(\epsilon_{n} + m)\phi_{n} \\ -p_{z}(\epsilon_{n} + m)\phi_{n} \end{bmatrix}, \\ u_{+}(x,p) &= \frac{1}{f_{n}} \begin{bmatrix} (\epsilon + \epsilon_{n})(\epsilon_{n} + m)\phi_{n-1} \\ -ip_{z}p_{n}\phi_{n} \\ p_{z}(\epsilon_{n} + m)\phi_{n-1} \\ ip_{n}(\epsilon + \epsilon_{n})\phi_{n} \end{bmatrix} \\ v_{-}(x,p) &= \frac{1}{f_{n}} \begin{bmatrix} -ip_{z}(\epsilon_{n} + m)\phi_{n-1} \\ -p_{z}(\epsilon_{n} + m)\phi_{n-1} \\ -ip_{z}p_{n}\phi_{n} \\ p_{z}(\epsilon_{n} + m)\phi_{n} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



2. Construct the quark propagator in the magnetic field:

$$\begin{aligned} G(x'-x) &= -i\left(\frac{L}{2\pi\lambda}\right)^2 \int dp_z da \sum_{\sigma,n} \left[\theta(t'-t)u_\sigma(x',p)\bar{u}_\sigma(x,p)e^{-ip\cdot(x'-x)} - \theta(t-t')v_\sigma(x',p)\bar{v}_\sigma(x,p)e^{ip\cdot(x'-x)}\right] \\ G(p) &= -\int_0^\infty \frac{dv}{|qB|} \left\{ \left[m + (\gamma \cdot p)_{||}\right] \left[1 - i\mathrm{sgn}(q)\gamma_1\gamma_2 \tanh v\right] - \frac{(\gamma \cdot p)_\perp}{\cosh^2 v} \right\} e^{-\frac{v}{|qB|} \left[m^2 - p_{||}^2 + \frac{\tanh v}{v}p_\perp^2\right]}. \end{aligned}$$

Schwinger propagator J. S. Schwinger, Phys. Rev. 82, 664 (1951).

3. Change the gluon-quark-antiquark vertex and energy conservation

$$\begin{split} & [2\pi\delta(k_z+k'_z-p_z-p'_z)]^2 \to 2\pi L\delta(k_z+k'_z-p_z-p'_z), \\ & [2\pi\delta(k_y+k'_y-\frac{a'-a}{\lambda^2})]^2 \to 2\pi L\delta(k_y+k'_y-\frac{a'-a}{\lambda^2}), \\ & [2\pi\delta(\omega+\omega'-\epsilon-\epsilon')]^2 \to 2\pi T\delta(\omega+\omega'-\epsilon-\epsilon'), \end{split}$$

Landau gauge

No momentum conservation in the *x*-direction

With Lowest Landau Level:

S. Chen, JZhao, P. Zhuang. arXiv: 2310....

$$\sigma(s, B, \theta) = \frac{\pi m^2 \alpha_s^2 |qB|}{s^3 \chi} \left\{ \frac{3}{2} \cos^2 \theta \left[1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{1 + \sqrt{4m^2/s}} \frac{1 + \cos^2 \theta - 4\chi^2}{\sin^4 \theta + 16m^2/s \cos^2 \theta} e^{-\frac{s \sin^2 \theta}{8|qB|}} \right] + \frac{2}{3} \sin^4 \theta \left[\left(\frac{\cos \theta + 2\chi}{(\chi + \cos \theta)^2 + 4m^2/s} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{-\cos \theta + 2\chi}{(\chi - \cos \theta)^2 + 4m^2/s} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \frac{4\chi^2 - \cos^2 \theta}{\sin^4 \theta + 16m^2/s \cos^2 \theta} \right] e^{-\frac{s \sin^2 \theta}{4|qB|}} \right\},$$

$$\frac{1.0}{68} \left[\frac{gg - s c\overline{c}}{-\frac{w}{68} = 10 \text{ GeV}^2} \right] = \frac{1.0}{68} \left[\frac{gg - s c\overline{c}}{-\frac{gg}{5} - \frac{gg}{6} - \frac{$$

Magnetic field and also the gluon polarization angle dependent

1. divergence of the cross section at the production threshold —dimension reduction 2. $\theta = 0, \pi$ only s-channel contributes; $\theta = \pi/2$ only t and u channels.

$$\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{gg \to c\bar{c}}|^2}{\pi^2 \alpha_s^2} = 24M^2 \cos^2 \theta \left(\frac{1}{s} + e^{-\frac{s \sin^2 \theta}{8|q|B}} \frac{\sin^2 \theta (\frac{s}{4} \sin^2 \theta + \frac{t+u}{2} + \frac{(t-u)^2}{s \cos^2 \theta})}{(\frac{s}{2} \sin^2 \theta + t + u)^2 - (\frac{t^2 - u^2}{s \cos^2 \theta})^2} \right)^{\text{S. Chen, J2nab, P. 2ndal, P.$$



Low momentum enhancement and high momentum suppression!

Summary

- Strongest EM fields created in the non-central heavy-ion collisions
- Considering the dynamic generation of quarks in the pre-equilibrium stage and the incomplete electromagnetic response of QCD matter, the EM fields generated in heavy ion collisions decays rapidly and the magnitude are greatly reduced compared with the initial time.
- The magnetic field effect changes strongly the $Q\bar{Q}$ spectrum in HIC (with LLL).





Thanks for your attention!

magnetic / inverse magnetic catalysis; QCD phase structure



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% Most Central

Induce chiral magnetic effect (CME) in the chiral unbalance system



STAR Collaboration, Phys. Rev. Lett. 103 (2009) 251601; Phys. Rev. C 105 (2022) 1, 014901

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$$C_{22} = \frac{1}{2E_1} \int d\Gamma_2 \frac{1}{2} \int d\Gamma_3 d\Gamma_4 |\mathcal{M}_{34\to 12}|^2$$

× $[f_3 f_4 - f_1 f_2] (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)} (p_3 + p_4 - p_1 - p_3)$



Monte Carlo method: collision probabilities of two particles in spatial cell ΔV of and within a time step Δt :

$$P_{22} = v_{\rm rel} \frac{\sigma_{22}}{N_{\rm test}} \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta V},$$

 N_{test} the number of test particles per real particle to reduce the fluctuation.

In the limit $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ and $\Delta V \rightarrow 0$, the numerical solutions will converge to the exact solutions of the Boltzmann equation

EM fields evolution in BAMPS

Channels: (1) $gg \leftrightarrow gg$, (2) $gg \leftrightarrow q\bar{q}$, (3) $gq(\bar{q}) \leftrightarrow gq(\bar{q})$, (4) $qq(\bar{q}\bar{q}) \leftrightarrow qq(\bar{q}\bar{q})$, (5) $q\bar{q} \leftrightarrow q\bar{q}(q'\bar{q}')$, (6) $qq' \leftrightarrow qq'$, (7) $q\bar{q}' \leftrightarrow q\bar{q}'$

The cross-sections are given by pQCD. The infrared divergences can be fixed by the Debye screening mass of gluons m_D^2 and quarks m_a^2 in the hot medium. B.L. Combridge, J. Kripfganz, J. Ranft, Phys. Lett. B 70 (1977) 234. J. Uphoff, F. Senzel, O. Fochler, C. Wesp, Z. Xu and C. Greiner, Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 112301 (2015). $|M_{gg \to q\bar{q}}|^{2} = 6\pi^{2} \left| \frac{4}{9} \left(\alpha_{s}^{2}(t) \frac{tu}{[t - m_{s}^{2}(\alpha_{s}(t))]^{2}} + \alpha_{s}^{2}(u) \frac{tu}{[u - m_{s}^{2}(\alpha_{s}(u))]^{2}} \right) \right|^{2}$ $+2\alpha_{s}^{2}(s)\frac{tu}{[s+m_{D}^{2}(\alpha_{s}(s))]^{2}}+\alpha_{s}(s)\alpha_{s}(u)\frac{tu}{[s+m_{D}^{2}(\alpha_{s}(s))][u-m_{c}^{2}(\alpha_{s}(u))]}$ $n_f = 0$ — $n_f = 3$ — $+ \alpha_s(s)\alpha_s(t) \frac{tu}{[s+m^2(\alpha_s))][t-m^2(\alpha_s(t))]}$ 1 0.8 $|M_{gg \to gg}|^2 = 72\pi^2 \left| 3\alpha_s^2(s) - \alpha_s^2(s) \frac{tu}{[s + m_p^2(\alpha_s(s))]^2} \right|^2$ $x_{s} (Q^{2})$ 0.6 0.4 $-\alpha_s^2(t) \frac{su}{[t-m_p^2(\alpha_s(t))]^2} - \alpha_s^2(u) \frac{st}{[u-m_s^2(\alpha_s(u))]^2} \bigg|.$ 0.2 0 $|M_{qg \to qg}|^{2} = 16\pi^{2} \left| -\frac{4}{9} \left(\alpha_{s}^{2}(s) \frac{su}{[s+m^{2}(\alpha_{s}(s))]^{2}} + \alpha_{s}^{2}(u) \frac{su}{[u-m^{2}(\alpha_{s}(u))]^{2}} \right) \right|^{2}$ -4 -2 0 2 4 Q^2 [GeV²] $-2\alpha_{s}^{2}(t)\frac{su}{[t-m_{D}^{2}(\alpha_{s}(t))]^{2}} + \alpha_{s}(s)\alpha_{s}(t)\frac{su}{[s+m_{a}^{2}(\alpha_{s}(s))][t-m_{D}^{2}(\alpha_{s}(t))]}$ $-\alpha_s(t)\alpha_s(u)\frac{su}{[t-m^2(\alpha_s(t))][u-m^2(\alpha_s(u))]}$

Analytical EM fields with the Ohm's law

Two nuclei are replaced by two point particles with the charge q = Ze and mass $m = Am_N$ moving in the *z* direction at impact parameter b

Using Ohm's law, the electromagnetic fields in the quark-gluon system are solved by Maxwell's equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{B} &= 0, \\ \nabla \times \boldsymbol{E} &= -\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{B}}{\partial t}, \\ \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{E} &= q\delta(x - b/2)\delta(y)\delta(z - vt) + q\delta(x + b/2)\delta(y)\delta(z + vt), \\ \nabla \times \boldsymbol{B} &= \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{E}}{\partial t} + \sigma_{el}\boldsymbol{E} + qv\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}\delta(x - b/2)\delta(y)\delta(z - vt) - qv\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}\delta(x + b/2)\delta(y)\delta(z + vt). \end{aligned}$$

Analytical solution to B and E-field:

K. Tuchin. Adv. High Energy Phys. 2013 (2013) 490495

