Jet quenching at strong coupling

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origin for flow effects

Small value of shear viscosity over entropy density ratio $\tau_{qp} \sim 5\frac{\eta}{s}\frac{1}{T} \sim \frac{1}{T}$ challenges quasiparticle description

 $\left(\frac{\eta}{s}\right)_{T_c}$ $= 0.08 \pm 0.05$

Bernhard et al. '16

York & Moore '08

Predicted by Policastro, Son and Starinets (2001) for a large class of non-abelian gauge theories at strong coupling which have a gravity dual



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Hydrodynamics at work with large gradients at very early times

Completely natural situation at strong coupling

 $R \sim \frac{1}{T}$

Even for system sizes of order

hydrodynamic gradient expansion is well behaved Chesler '15,'16

Appealing picture of hydrodynamization for all system sizes within strong coupling

Holography: a non-perturbative tool



J Friess, et al., PRD75 (2007)

- quarks are dual to open strings attached to probe flavour branes
- having a plasma in the gauge theory is equivalent to a black hole in the bulk
- bulk metric perturbations encode boundary stress energy variations

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$$\mathcal{N} = 4$$
SYM and QCD have very different vacuums
but? $\mathcal{N} = 4$ $T \neq 0$ and QCD $T > T_c$ share similarities

There are no jets at strong coupling

There are no jets in N=4 SYM at strong coupling



Problem for hard probes

Proxies for HE jets



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m sc}~=~1.05\,\lambda^{1/6}$

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Arnold & Vaman '11

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- presence of string perturbs metric
- satisfies linearised Einstein's equations

Chesler et al. '09

- dressed quarks are open strings attached to a D7 flavour brane
- charged under U(1) gauge field sourcing baryon current at boundary
- depth of string endpoint determines localisation of excitation at boundary

$$G_{MN} = G_{MN}^{(0)} + \frac{L^2}{u^2} H_{MN}$$

 $\mathcal{L}_{AB}^{MN} H_{MN} = 8\pi G_{\text{Newton}} J_{AB}$
string sourced

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near boundary expression of energy-momentum tensor

Chesler & Rajagopal '15

hydro (long wavelength)

$$\begin{split} \langle \Delta T^{\mu\nu}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \rangle &= \frac{L^{\circ}}{4\pi G_{\text{Newton}}} H^{(4)}_{\mu\nu}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \\ & \\ \text{th)} \quad \text{non-hydro (jet modes)} \quad \langle \Delta T^{\mu\nu} \rangle \equiv \langle T^{\mu\nu} \rangle - \langle T^{\mu\nu}_{\text{eq}} \rangle \end{split}$$

 L^3

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Nambu-Goto action









Holographic quenching with pure strings

the *string* is treated as a model for the *jet as a whole*

Rajagopal, Sadofyev, van der Schee '16

• consider an *ensemble* of such jets by choosing initial distributions of energy & angle from pQCD

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competing effects: each individual jet widens, while wider jets lose more energy

$$\begin{aligned} C_1^{(\alpha)} &\equiv \sum_{i,j} z_i z_j \left(\frac{|\theta_{ij}|}{R}\right)^{\alpha} & C_1^{(1)} = a \, \sigma_0 \\ T_{\text{SYM}} &= b \, T_{\text{QCD}} \end{aligned}$$
neasures jet angle in pQCD
also observed in pQCD

Milhano & Zapp '15

Holographic quenching with pure strings

Brewer et al. 1710.03237

determine string energy density by considering different initial profiles evolved within *full string dynamics*

as the string nullifies, different initial choices tend to converge

- use pp jet shapes to determine angle distribution
- nuclear jet shape modification captures core dynamics - lacks contribution from medium response

Hybrid strong/weak coupling approach

Initial parton from hard scattering carries a high virtuality

will split according to perturbative DGLAP evolution

Casalderrey-Solana et al. '14,'15,'16

Interactions with the medium take place at a non-perturbative scale

describe the propagation of partons within QGP using holographic falling strings

- captures multi-scale nature of in-medium HE jets dynamics
- neglects parton shower modifications induced by medium injected virtuality
- useful tool as a benchmark to compare to data

Monte Carlo Implementation

- Jet production and evolution in PYTHIA
- Assign spacetime description to parton shower (formation time argument) $au_f = rac{2E}{Q^2}$
- Embed the system into a hydrodynamic background (2+1 hydro code from Heinz and Shen)
- Between splittings, partons in the shower interact with QGP, lose energy
- Turn off energy loss below a T_c that we vary over $145 < T_c < 170 \,\mathrm{MeV}$
- Extract jet observables from parton shower

Parton Shower

Generate HardQCD pp events with PYTHIA:

version 8,183

- Pt min = 1 GeV (splitting cut-off)
 Initial State Radiation = on
- Multi Partonic Interactions = off
- Stop before hadronization

Where and when do partons effectively split?

Use a formation time argument

$$\lambda_{\perp} \sim r \sim heta au_f$$

 $au_f \sim w/k_{\perp}^2
ightarrow 2E/Q^2$

E,Q

Parton Shower

Jet R_{AA}

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Photon-Jet: the 'golden' channel

- Photons do not interact with plasma
- Look for associated jet -Different geometric sampling -Different species composition $-E_{\gamma}$ proxy for E_{jet}

Photon-Jet: the 'golden' channel

Core features of the model have been validated by e.g. photon-jet observables predictions

No strong evidence so far of hard point-like scatterers

Photon-Jet: the 'golden' channel

Important effects: Jet Pt smearing, bremsstrahlung photons

Jet induced medium excitations

- string acts as a perturbation in the large Nc limit
- agreement between hydrodynamics
 & wake of a quark in gauge/gravity duality

Chesler & Yaffe '07

energy-momentum conservation in the jet+plasma interplay

wake hadron distribution *estimate* (within hybrid model)

- small perturbation on top of hydro
- only valid for soft hadrons
- no extra free parameter

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(better look at Pt instead of z)

effect in the right direction, but clearly not enough

cancellation between two effects

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Finite resolution effects in holography

Casalderrey-Solana & Ficnar '15

10

100

1000

E / ($\lambda^{1/2}T$)

10⁴

10⁵

10⁶

Finite resolution effects in holography

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Casalderrey-Solana & Ficnar '15

An estimate of finite resolution effects

within the hybrid strong/weak coupling model

Hulcher et al. 1707.05245

the medium perceives the system as a collection of effective emitters

the number and rearrangement of the effective emitters is governed by the resolution length

the effect modifies the space-time picture of the parton shower

need to agree on framework model needs for coherence effects

resolution length in a finite plasma at strong coupling is currently not known

assume as an *exploratory study* that the screening length is the relevant scale

$$L_{\rm res} \sim \lambda_D$$

Finite resolution on observables

fewer # of effective energy loss sources

reduce stopping distances (to keep jet RAA the same)

jet substructure is modified due to finite resolution:

- energy loss more democratic among partons
- increases survival rate of softer, wider radiation
- leading track gets more quenched

Hulcher et al. 1707.05245

Hadron suppression at LHC

Jet spectra

convoluted with

jet FF

Explicit check with the Hybrid Model

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Narrowing of jet core explains Hadron vs Jet suppression

Such narrowing depends on the ability of the medium to resolve the shower internal structure (with increasing Lres, wider jets and narrow jets will be quenched more similarly)

1.2 Charged Hadron 0-5% CMS Charged Hadron 0-5% ATLAS Jet R=0.4 0-10% 1 0.8 RAA 0.6 0.4 $\kappa = 0.395$ 0.2 $L_{res} = 2/\pi T$ don't look here 0 10 100 1000 Jet or Hadron Pt (GeV)

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Chi square goodness of fit test

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Backup Slides

Determining the shape of the source term

Depth into holographic dimension:

• Width at the boundary

Geodesics falling below horizon:

Long wavelength modes
 flowing through **S** (provides dE/dx)

Linearised Einstein's eqs.

$$\mathcal{L}_{AB}^{MN}H_{MN} = 8\pi G_{\text{Newton}}J_{AB}$$
Boundary perturbation
$$\langle \Delta T^{\mu\nu}(t, \boldsymbol{x}) \rangle = \frac{L^3}{4\pi G_{\text{Newton}}}H_{\mu\nu}^{(4)}(t, \boldsymbol{x})$$

Go beyond long wavelength limit and study the spatial dependence

jet

S > 1/Tyyyyxhydrodynamic modes

An estimate of backreaction

Perturbations on top of a Bjorken flow

$$\begin{split} \Delta P^i_{\perp} &= w\tau \int d\eta \, d^2 x_{\perp} \, \delta u^i_{\perp} & \Delta S = \tau c_s^{-2} s \int d\eta \, d^2 x_{\perp} \, \frac{\delta T}{T} \\ \Delta P^\eta &= 0 & c_s^2 = \frac{s}{T} \frac{dT}{ds} \end{split}$$

Cooper-Frye
$$E \frac{dN}{d^3p} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d\sigma^{\mu} p_{\mu} f(u^{\mu} p_{\mu})$$

One body distribution

$$E\frac{dN}{d^3p} = \frac{1}{32\pi} \frac{m_T}{T^5} \cosh(y - y_j) e^{-\frac{m_T}{T} \cosh(y - y_j)}$$
$$\left[p_T \Delta P_T \cos(\phi - \phi_j) + \frac{1}{3} m_T \Delta M_T \cosh(y - y_j) \right]$$

An estimate of backreaction

One body distribution has negative contributions at large azimuthal separation

Background diminished w.r.t unperturbed hydro for that region in space

Need to emulate experimental background subtraction (e.g. eta reflection method) due to long range correlations

Event by event, determine the extra particles distribution enforcing energy/momentum conservation via Metropolis algorithm

An estimate of backreaction

- Wide in azimuthal angle
- Wide in rapidity
- Peaked at very low transverse momentum

$$y_j = 0, \, \phi_j = 0, \, T = 0.2 \, \text{GeV}$$

Intra-jet broadening

Partons receive transverse kicks according to a gaussian distribution

The width of the gaussian is $(\Delta k_T)^2 = \hat{q} \, dx$

Such mechanism introduces a new parameter $K = \frac{q}{T^3}$

Transverse kicks can broaden the jet and kick particles out of the jet

Intra-jet broadening

Inclusive jets - all tracks

strong quenching suppresses the effect of broadening

 $Q \uparrow, \theta \uparrow, \tau_f \downarrow$ early wide fragments quenched $Q \downarrow, \theta \downarrow, \tau_f \uparrow$ late narrow fragments survive

selection bias towards narrower jets, merely a jet axis deflection

Subleading jets - semi-hard tracks

kinematical limits chosen such that:

- no effect from background (soft tracks)
- intra-jet activity above average (hard tracks)

deviations from such Gaussian broadening

hard momentum transfers from QGP quasiparticles

Dijet acoplanarities

First steps into hydro with source

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Energy deposited into medium according to holographic energy loss rate

Most of the energy deposited at late times (strongly coupled "Bragg peak")

First steps into hydro with source

work with Mayank Singh & Chun Shen

PRELIMINARY

1 event example

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(w/ novel simplified background subtraction)

FF vs R

Jet Shapes vs R

Boson Jet Acoplanarities

different normalisation

Z Jet: over the number of Zs