

Dynamics of heavy quarks in heavy-ion collisions

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Motivation

The goal: study of the properties of hot and dense nuclear and partonic matter by ,charm probes' (or heavy quark probes)

The advantages of the 'charm probes':

□ dominantly produced in the very early stages of the reactions in initial binary collisions with large energy-momentum transfer

initial charm production is well described by pQCD – FONLL



□ heavy quark scattering cross sections are small
 (compared to the light quarks) → not in an equilibrium with the surrounding matter

□ sensitive to the properties of the QGP during the expansion (and not only to its final state)

→ Hope to use 'charm probes' for an early tomography of the QGP

Dynamical description of hard probes

- I. Modeling of time evolution of the ,medium' = system:
- □ expanding fireball models ← assumption of global equilibrium
- □ ideal or viscous hydrodynamical models ← assumption of local equilibrium
- □ microscopic transport models ← full non-equilibrium dynamics!

II. Modeling of the interaction of the hard probes with the ,medium':



Highlights of model comparisons

EMMI-charm: R. Rapp et al., NPA979 (2018) 21-86; "Jet"-charm: S. Cao et al., PRC 99, 054907 (2019) Frankfurt-Duke-Nantes-Catania: Y. Xu et al., PRC 99 (2019), 014902; T. Song et al., PRC 101 (2020) 044901; ibid. 044903

- interaction of heavy quarks with medium; charm transport coefficients; initial conditions; comparison: Langevin vs. Boltzmann description;
- □ hydro vs. microscopic transport description of the medium; non-equilibrium effects etc.







→ Charm quarks are sensitive to the history of the QGP evolution and retain information on the entire time evolution from initial condition up to the late stage of the reaction

- Initial conditions: larger effect (up to 20%) on v₂ than on R_{AA}
- □ Transport coefficients: huge influence on R_{AA} and v₂ within Langevin models
- □ Medium evolution: R_{AA} and v₂ from nonequilibrium transport differ from hydro and Langevin results
- → Langevin models are not an appropriate tool to study the charm dynamics in HICs!
- Microscopic transport description of HIC dynamics (medium) and charm interactions (based on Boltzmann collision terms) is required

Dynamical Models -> PHSD

The goal:

to describe the dynamics of charm quarks/mesons in all phases of HICs on a microscopic basis

Realization:

a dynamical non-equilibrium transport approach

- □ applicable for strongly interacting systems,
- which includes a phase transition from hadronic matter to QGP

The tool: PHSD approach







Degrees-of-freedom of QGP

For the microscopic transport description of the system one needs to know all degrees of freedom as well as their properties and interactions!

IQCD gives QGP EoS at finite μ_B

! need to be interpreted in terms of degrees-of-freedom

pQCD:

weakly interacting system

massless quarks and gluons

How to learn about the degrees-of-freedom of the QGP from HICs?
→ microscopic transport approaches
→ comparison to HIC experiments



Thermal QCD = QCD at high parton densities:

- **strongly** interacting system
- massive quarks and gluons
- ➔ quasiparticles
- = effective degrees-of-freedom

Thermal QCD ->

DQPM (Τ, μ_q)









finite T,µq

DQPM – effective model for the description of non-perturbative (strongly interacting) QCD based on IQCD EoS

Degrees-of-freedom: strongly interacting dynamical quasiparticles - quarks and gluons

Theoretical basis :

□ ,resummed' single-particle Green's functions → quark (gluon) propagator (2PI) :

gluon propagator: $\Delta^{-1} = P^2 - \Pi$ & quark propagator $S_q^{-1} = P^2 - \Sigma_q$ gluon self-energy: $\Pi = M_g^2 - i2\gamma_g \omega$ & quark self-energy: $\Sigma_q = M_q^2 - i2\gamma_q \omega$

Properties of the quasiparticles are specified by scalar complex self-energies:

 $Re\Sigma_q$: thermal masses (M_g, M_q); $Im\Sigma_q$: interaction widths (γ_g, γ_q)

→ spectral functions $\rho_q = -2ImS_q$ → Lorentzian form:

$$o_j(\omega, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{\gamma_j}{\tilde{E}_j} \left(\frac{1}{(\omega - \tilde{E}_j)^2 + \gamma_j^2} - \frac{1}{(\omega + \tilde{E}_j)^2 + \gamma_j^2} \right)$$
$$\equiv \frac{4\omega\gamma_j}{\left(\omega^2 - \mathbf{p}^2 - M_j^2\right)^2 + 4\gamma_j^2\omega^2} \qquad \tilde{E}_j^2(\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{p}^2 + M_j^2 - \gamma_j^2$$



A. Peshier, W. Cassing, PRL 94 (2005) 172301; W. Cassing, NPA 791 (2007) 365: NPA 793 (2007), H. Berrehrah et al, Int.J.Mod.Phys. E25 (2016) 1642003; P. Moreau et al., PRC100 (2019) 014911; O. Soloveva et al., PRC101 (2020) 045203



Parton properties

Modeling of the quark/gluon masses and widths (ansatz inspired by HTL calculations)

Masses:

Widths:

$$M_{q(\bar{q})}^{2}(T,\mu_{B}) = \frac{N_{c}^{2}-1}{8N_{c}}g^{2}(T,\mu_{B})\left(T^{2}+\frac{\mu_{q}^{2}}{\pi^{2}}\right)$$
$$M_{g}^{2}(T,\mu_{B}) = \frac{g^{2}(T,\mu_{B})}{6}\left(\left(N_{c}+\frac{1}{2}N_{f}\right)T^{2}+\frac{N_{c}}{2}\sum_{q}\frac{\mu_{q}^{2}}{\pi^{2}}\right)$$

➔ DQPM :

Fit lattice ------ P/T⁴ ------ e/T⁴

s/T³

0.20

0.25

0.30

T [GeV]

15

10

0.15

only one parameter (c = 14.4) + (T, μ_B) - dependent coupling constant has to be determined from lattice results

EoS $\mu_B = 0$ from WB

0.35

Phys.Lett. B730 (2014) 99-104

0.40

0.45

$$\gamma_{q(\bar{q})}(T,\mu_B) = \frac{1}{3} \frac{N_c^2 - 1}{2N_c} \frac{g^2(T,\mu_B)T}{8\pi} \ln\left(\frac{2c}{g^2(T,\mu_B)} + 1\right)$$
$$\gamma_g(T,\mu_B) = \frac{1}{3} N_c \frac{g^2(T,\mu_B)T}{8\pi} \ln\left(\frac{2c}{g^2(T,\mu_B)} + 1\right)$$

Coupling g: input - IQCD entropy density sfunction of T at μ_B =0

$$g^2(s/s_{SB}) = d\left((s/s_{SB})^e - 1\right)^f$$

 $s_{SB}^{QCD} = 19/9\pi^2 T^3$

H. Berrehrah et al, PRC 93 (2016) 044914, Int.J.Mod.Phys. E25 (2016) 1642003, 0.50



DQPM at finite (T, μ_q): scaling hypothesis

□ Scaling hypothesis for the effective temperature T* for N_f = N_c = 3 W. Cassing, NPA 791 (2007) 365

$$\mu_u = \mu_d = \mu_s = \mu_q$$

$$T^{*2} = T^2 + \frac{\mu_q^2}{\pi^2}$$

Coupling:

$$g(T/T_c(\mu=0)) \longrightarrow g(T^{\star}/T_c(\mu))$$

Critical temperature T_c(μ_q) in crossover region: obtained by assuming a constant energy density ε along a critical line T=T_c(μ_q), where ε at T_c(μ_q=0)=156 GeV is fixed by IQCD at μ_q=0

$$\frac{T_c(\mu_q)}{T_c(\mu_q=0)} = \sqrt{1-\alpha \ \mu_q^2} \approx 1-\alpha/2 \ \mu_q^2 + \cdots$$

(MeV) 150 IQCD emperature 100 freeze-out [Becattini et.al., Cleymons et.al. 2005] -out parametrization [Andronic et.al. 2008] 50 odified statistical fit [Becattini et.al. 2012] out from fluctuations [Albo et.al. 2014] 200 400 Baryonic chemical potential (MeV) 0.18 0.16 0.14 0.12 -μ,=μ,=μ₀/3 **T[GeV]** 0.10 DQPM15 IQCD iµ 0.08 Cea et al. 1403.0821 0.06 μ **=0** IQCD Taylor-exp. 0.04 Endrodi et al. 1102.1356 0.02 0.00 <u>–</u> 0.0 0.2 0.4 0.6 μ_в[GeV]

$$\alpha \approx 8.79 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

! Consistent with lattice QCD:

IQCD: C. Bonati et al., PRC90 (2014) 114025

$$\frac{T_c(\mu_B)}{T_c} = 1 - \kappa \left(\frac{\mu_B}{T_c}\right)^2 + \cdots$$

IQCD $\kappa = 0.013(2)$

 $\kappa_{DQPM} \approx 0.0122$

H. Berrehrah et al, PRC 93 (2016) 044914, Int.J.Mod.Phys. E25 (2016) 1642003,

DQPM thermodynamics at finite (T, μ_q)

Entropy and baryon density in the quasiparticle limit (G. Baym 1998):

$$s^{dqp} = n^{dqp} = -\int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[d_g \frac{\partial n_B}{\partial T} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - \Delta^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Pi \operatorname{Re} \Delta \right) \right] = n^{dqp} = -\int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[d_g \frac{\partial n_F(\omega - \mu_q)}{\partial T} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_q^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_q \operatorname{Re} S_q \right) \right] = n^{dqp} = -\int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\sum_{q=u,d,s} d_q \frac{\partial n_F(\omega - \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_q^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_q \operatorname{Re} S_q \right) \right] = + \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial T} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = + \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Re} S_{\bar{q}} \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega + \mu_q)}{\partial \mu_q} \left(\operatorname{Im}(\ln - S_{\bar{q}}^{-1}) + \operatorname{Im} \Sigma_{\bar{q}} \operatorname{Im}(n_{\bar{q}}) \right) = - \sum_{\bar{q}=\bar{u},\bar{d},\bar{s}} d_{\bar{q}} \frac{\partial n_F(\omega$$

B. Vanderheyden, G. Baym, J. Stat. Phys. 93 (1998) 843 Blaizot, Iancu, Rebhan, Phys. Rev. D 63 (2001) 065003





DQPM: parton properties



Partonic interactions: matrix elements

DQPM partonic cross sections → leading order diagrams



H. Berrehrah et al, PRC 93 (2016) 044914, Int.J.Mod.Phys. E25 (2016) 1642003,



P. Moreau et al., PRC100 (2019) 014911



Differential cross sections



DQPM: $M \rightarrow 0$, $\gamma \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow$ reproduces pQCD limits

Differences between DQPM and pQCD : less forward peaked angular distribution leads to more efficient momentum transfer



Total cross section





Transport coefficients: shear viscosity η



Lattice QCD: N. Astrakhantsev et al, JHEP 1704 (2017) 101

P. Moreau et al., PRC100 (2019) 014911; O. Soloveva et al., PRC110 (2020) 045203 16



Transport coefficients





Transport coefficients: \hat{q}



QGP: in-equilibrium -> off-equilibrium

Microscopic transport theory!



W. Cassing, ,Transport Theories for Strongly-Interacting Systems', Springer Nature: Lecture Notes in Physics 989, 2021



Parton-Hadron-String-Dynamics (PHSD)



PHSD is a non-equilibrium microscopic transport approach for the description of strongly-interacting hadronic and partonic matter created in heavy-ion collisions



Dynamics: based on the solution of generalized off-shell transport equations derived from Kadanoff-Baym many-body theory



Initial A+A collisions :

N+N \rightarrow string formation \rightarrow decay to pre-hadrons + leading hadrons

Partonic phase



Partonic phase - QGP:

Given Stage Formation of QGP stage if local $\varepsilon > \varepsilon_{critical}$:

dissolution of pre-hadrons \rightarrow partons

QGP is described by the Dynamical QuasiParticle Model (DQPM) matched to reproduce lattice QCD EoS for finite T and μ_B (crossover)



- Degrees-of-freedom: strongly interacting quasiparticles: massive quarks and gluons (g,q,q_{bar}) with sizeable collisional widths in a self-generated mean-field potential
 - Interactions: (quasi-)elastic and inelastic collisions of partons

Hadronic phase



Hadronization to colorless off-shell mesons and baryons: Strict 4-momentum and quantum number conservation

□ Hadronic phase: hadron-hadron interactions – off-shell HSD



UND string mo





P.Moreau





t = 7.31921 fm/c





P.Moreau





P.Moreau



Important: to be conclusive on charm observables, the light quark dynamics must be well under control!



PHSD provides a good description of ,bulk' observables (y-, p_T -distributions, flow coefficients v_n , ...) from SIS to LHC energies

Dynamics of heavy quarks – open charm and beauty (D/Dbar, B/Bbar) – in heavy-ion collisions







Dynamics of heavy quarks in A+A :

- 1. **Production** of heavy (charm and bottom) quarks in initial binary collisions + shadowing and Cronin effects
- Interactions in the non-perturbative QGP according to the DQPM: elastic scattering with off-shell massive partons Q+q→Q+q
 → collisional energy loss
- **3.** Hadronization: c/cbar quarks \rightarrow D(D*)-mesons:

4. Hadronic interactions:

D+baryons; D+mesons based on G-matrix and effective chiral Lagrangian approach with heavy-quark spin symmetry (>200 channels) (Juan Torres-Rincon, Laura Tolos)

* PHSD references on charm dynamics: Taesoo Song et al., PRC 92 (2015) 014910, PRC 93 (2016) 034906, PRC 96 (2017) 014905 PRC 97 (2018) 064907; PRC 101 (2020) 044901; PRC 101 (2020) 044903











A+A: charm production in initial NN binary collisions: probability

$$P = \frac{\sigma(c\bar{c})}{\sigma_{NN}^{inel}}$$

The total cross section for charm production in p+p collisions $\sigma(cc)$

Momentum distribution of heavy quarks: use ,tuned' PYTHIA event generator to reproduce FONLL (fixed-order next-to-leading log) results



T. Song, W.Cassing, P.Moreau and E.Bratkovskaya, PRC 97 (2018) 064907

T. Song et al., PRC 92 (2015) 014910, PRC 93 (2016) 034906, PRC 96 (2017) 014905

Heavy quark scattering in the QGP (DQPM)

■ Elastic scattering with off-shell massive partons Q+q(g)→Q+q(g)

g

■ Elastic cross section uc→uc



H. Berrehrah et al, PRC 89 (2014) 054901; PRC 90 (2014) 051901; PRC90 (2014) 064906 q(g) charm

Non-perturbative

QGP!

Distributions of Q+q, Q+g collisions vs s^{1/2} in Au+Au, 10% central





□ Differential elastic cross section for cq→cq, bq→bq for s^½=s₀^½+2GeV at 1.5T_C



DQPM - anisotropic angular distribution

Note: pQCD - strongly forward peaked Differences between DQPM and pQCD : less forward peaked angular distribution leads to more efficient momentum transfer

Smaller number (compared to pQCD) of elastic scatterings with massive partons leads to a larger energy loss

! Note: radiative energy loss is NOT included yet in PHSD, it is expected to be small (at low p_T) due to the large gluon mass in the DQPM

H. Berrehrah et al, PRC 89 (2014) 054901; PRC 90 (2014) 051901; PRC90 (2014) 064906

Charm spatial diffusion coefficient D_s

• D_s for heavy quarks as a function of T for $\mu_q=0$ and finite μ_q assuming adiabatic trajectories (constant entropy per net baryon s/n_B) for the expansion

 $D_s = lim(\vec{p} \rightarrow 0) \frac{T}{M\eta_D}$ where $\eta_D = A/p$; A(p,T) = drag coefficient



L. Tolos , J. M. Torres-Rincon, PRD 88 (2013) 074019 V. Ozvenchuk et al., PRC90 (2014) 054909

H. Berrehrah et al, PRC 90 (2014) 051901, arXiv:1406.5322

Lattice QCD

T/T pc





□ PHSD: if the local energy density $\varepsilon \rightarrow \varepsilon_{C} \rightarrow$ hadronization of heavy quarks to hadrons T. Song et al., PRC 93 (2016) 034906

Dynamical hadronization scenario for heavy quarks :

coalescence with <r>=0.9 fm&fragmentation $0.4 < \varepsilon < 0.75$ GeV/fm3 $\varepsilon < 0.4$ GeV/fm3



Coalescence probability in Au+Au at LHC



Coalescence probability for $c + \overline{q} \to D$ $f(\rho, \mathbf{k}_{\rho}) = \frac{8g_M}{6^2} \exp\left[-\frac{\rho^2}{\delta^2} - \mathbf{k}_{\rho}^2 \delta^2\right]$ Width $\delta \leftarrow$ from root-mean-square radius of meson <r>: where $\rho = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2), \quad \mathbf{k}_{\rho} = \sqrt{2} \frac{m_2 \mathbf{k}_1 - m_1 \mathbf{k}_2}{m_1 + m_2}$ $\langle r^2 \rangle = \frac{3}{2} \frac{m_1^2 + m_2^2}{(m_1 - m_1)^2} \delta^2$

Degeneracy factor : $g_M = 1$ for D, = 3 for $D^*=D^*_0(2400)^0$, $D^*_1(2420)^0$, $D^*_2(2460)^{0\pm}$



1. D-meson scattering with mesons

L. M. Abreu, D. Cabrera, F. J. Llanes-Estrada, J. M. Torres-Rincon, Annals Phys. 326, 2737 (2011)

Model: effective chiral Lagrangian approach with heavy-quark spin symmetry

Interaction of D=(D⁰,D⁺,D⁺_s) and D^{*}=(D^{*0},D^{*+},D^{*+}_s) with octet (π ,K,Kbar, η)

2. D-meson scattering with baryons

C. Garcia-Recio, J. Nieves, O. Romanets, L. L. Salcedo, L. Tolos, Phys. Rev. D 87, 074034 (2013)

Model: G-matrix approach: interactions of $D=(D^0,D^+,D^+_s)$ and $D^*=(D^{*0},D^{*+},D^{*+}_s)$ with nucleon octet $J^P=1/2^+$ and Delta decuplet $J^P=3/2^+$

Unitarized scattering amplitude → solution of coupled-channel Bethe-Salpeter equations:

$$T = T + VGT$$

➔ Strong isospin dependence and complicated structure (due to the resonance coupling) of D+m, D+B cross sections!







L. Tolos and J. M. Torres-Rincon, Phys. Rev. D 88, 074019 (2013) J. M. Torres-Rincon, L. Tolos and O. Romanets, Phys. Rev. D 89, 074042 (2014)



>200 hadronic channels -> implemented in the PHSD

Influence of hadronization scenarios: coalescence vs fragmentation

<u>! Model study:</u> without any rescattering (partonic and hadronic)



- □ Expect: no scattering: R_{AA}=1
- □ Hadronization by fragmentation only (as in pp) \rightarrow R_{AA}=1
- □ Coalescence (not in pp!) shifts R_{AA} to larger $p_T \rightarrow$, nuclear matter' effect
- □ The hight of the R_{AA} peak depends on the balance: coalescence vs. fragmentation



R_{AA} at RHIC: hadronic rescattering



Shadowing effect: charm production is N*N* in HIC dominated by gluon fusion

 $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}^{N^*N^*}(s) = \langle R_g^{Pb}(x_1, Q) R_g^{Pb}(x_2, Q) \rangle \ \sigma_{c\bar{c}}^{NN}(s)$

R_i^A(x₁,Q), R_i^A(x₂,Q) for *i=j=gluon* are obtained from the EPS09 model K. J. Eskola, H. Paukkunen and C. A. Salgado, JHEP 0904, 065 (2009)

The modifications of the charm transverse momentum in N*N* vs NN due to the shadowing and Cronin effects in d+A and Au+Au @ 200 GeV



□ Shadowing effect increases R_{AA} for low p_T □ Cronin effect increases R_{AA} for $p_T > 1$ GeV

R_{AA} from single e⁻ (µ) in d+Au @ 200 GeV



T. Song et al., PRC 96, 014905 (2017) 39





□ The exp. data for the R_{AA} and v₂ are described in the PHSD by QGP collisional energy loss due to elastic scattering of charm quarks with massive quarks and gluons in the QGP

+ by the dynamical hadronization scenario "coalescence & fragmentation"

+ by strong hadronic interactions due to resonant elastic scattering of D,D* with mesons and baryons

G Feed back from beauty contribution becomes dominant for single electrons R_{AA} and v_2 at $p_T > 3$ GeV



Charm R_{AA} at LHC: PHSD vs ALICE



□ in PHSD the energy loss of D-mesons at high p_T can be dominantly attributed to partonic scattering

 \Box Shadowing effect suppresses the low p_T and slightly enhances the high p_T part of R_{AA}

□ Hadronic rescattering moves R_{AA} peak to higher p_{T;} increases v₂

PHSD vs charm observables at LHC (predictions)





T. Song et al., PRC 92 (2015) 014910, PRC 93 (2016) 034906, PRC 96 (2017) 014905



Transverse momentum gain or loss of charm quarks per unit time at mid-rapidity in 0-10 % central Au+Au collisions at s^{1/2}= 200 and 19 GeV





A considerable energy and transverse momentum loss happens in the initial stage of heavy-ion collisions during the QGP phase, because the energy density is extremely large

Thermalization of charm quarks in A+A?



❑ Scattering of charm quarks with massive partons softens the p_T spectra
 → elastic energy loss

\Box Charm quarks are close to thermal equilibrium at low $p_T < 2$ GeV/c



Azimuthal angular distribution between the transverse momentum of D-Dbar at midrapidity (|y| < 1) before (dashed lines) and after the interactions with the medium (solid lines) in central Pb+Pb collisions at s^{1/2} = 17.3 and 200 GeV



- □ Initial correlations from PYTHIA : peaks around ϕ = 0 for \sqrt{s} = 17.3 GeV, while around ϕ = π for \sqrt{s} = 200 GeV
- □ Final correlations: smeared at \sqrt{s} = 200 GeV due to the interaction of charm quarks in QGP



Summary

PHSD provides a microscopic description of non-equilibrium charm dynamics in the partonic and hadronic phases

Partonic rescattering suppresses the high p_T part of R_{AA} , generates v_2

 \Box Hadronic rescattering moves R_{AA} peak to higher p_T , increases v_2

□ The structure of R_{AA} at low p_T is sensitive to the hadronization scenario, i.e. to the balance between coalescence and fragmentation

- Shadowing effects suppress R_{AA} at LHC at low transverse momenta, Cronin effect slightly increases R_{AA} above p_T >1 GeV
- □ The exp. data for the R_{AA} and v₂ at RHIC and LHC are described in the PHSD by QGP collisional energy loss due to the elastic scattering of charm quarks with massive quarks and gluons in the QGP phase
 - + by the dynamical hadronization scenario "coalescence & fragmentation"
 - + by strong hadronic interactions due to resonant elastic scattering of D,D* with mesons and baryons
- □ Feed back from beauty contribution for R_{AA}^{e} and v_{2}^{e} from single electrons for Au+Au at 200 GeV becomes dominant for p_{T} >3 GeV
- □ Initial azimuthal angular correlation of QQbar pairs is washed out during the evolution dominantly due to the transverse flow