

# Hydrodynamization at weak coupling

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AK, Mazeliauskas, Paquet, Schlichting, Teaney, in progress

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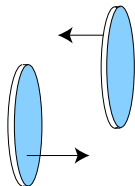


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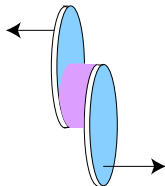
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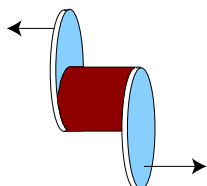
Lorentz contracted nuclei



Pre-thermal plasma



Locally thermalised plasma



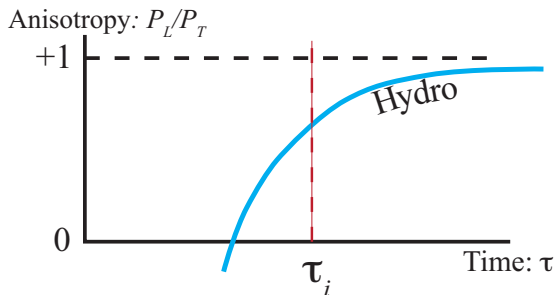
- Soft physics of HIC described by relativistic hydrodynamics

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

- Gradient expansion around local thermal equilibrium

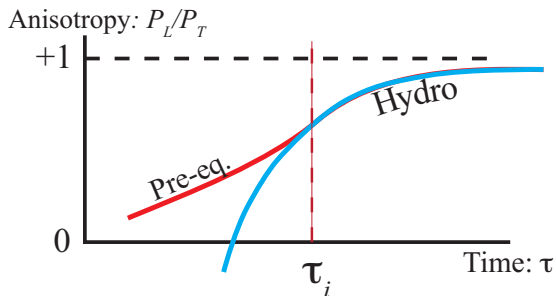
$$T^{\mu\nu} = T_{\text{eq.}}^{\mu\nu} - \eta 2\nabla^{\langle\mu} u^{\nu\rangle} + \dots$$

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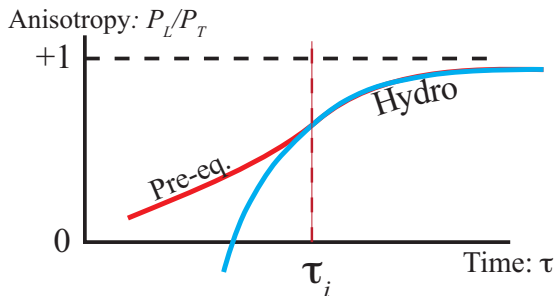
- At early times *pre-equilibrium* evolution
- Hydro simulations start at *intialization time*  $\tau_i$

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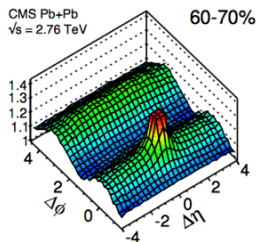
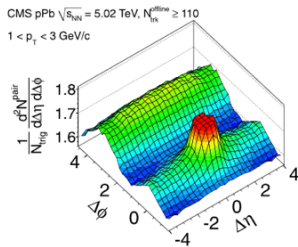
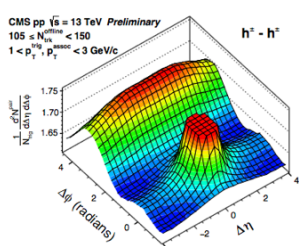
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- In most current pheno: either free streaming, or nothing at all

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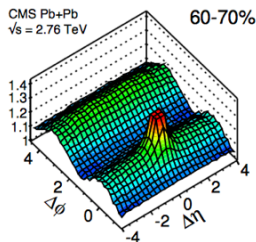
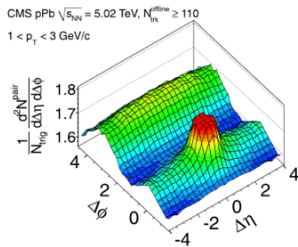
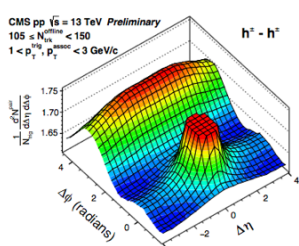
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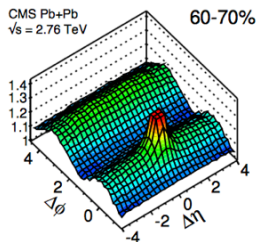
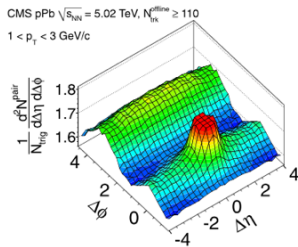
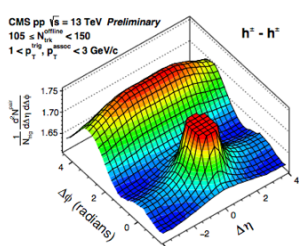
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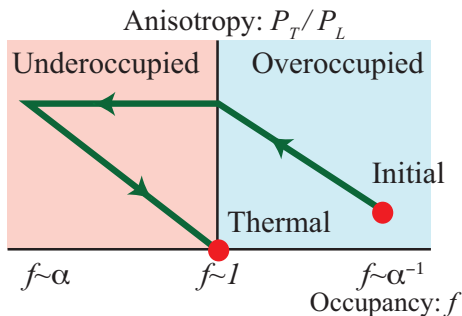


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- pp collisions: ??????



# Hydrodynamization in weak coupling



- Color Glass Condensate: Initial condition overoccupied

McLerran, Venugopalan PRD49 (1994) , PRD49 (1994); Gelis et. al Int.J.Mod.Phys. E16 (2007), Ann.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci. 60 (2010)

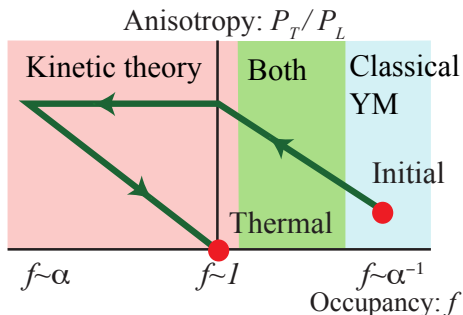
$$f(Q_s) \sim 1/\alpha_s, \quad Q_s \sim 2\text{GeV}$$

- Expansion makes system underoccupied before thermalizing

Baier et al PLB502 (2001)

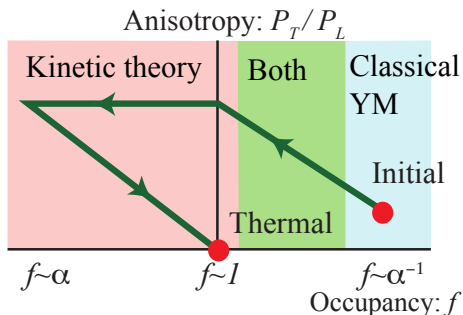
$$f(Q_s) \ll 1$$

# Hydrodynamization in weak coupling



- Degrees of freedom:
  - $f \gg 1$ : Classical Yang-Mills theory (CYM)
  - $f \ll 1/\alpha_s$ : (Semi-)classical particles, Eff. Kinetic Theory (EKT)

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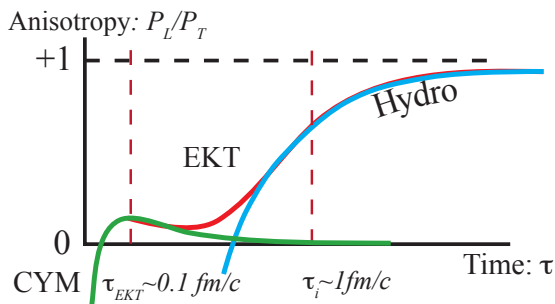


- Transmutation of fields to particles: Field-particle duality  
Son, Mueller PLB582 (2004) 279-287; Jeon PRC72 (2005) 014907; Mathieu et al EPJ. C74 (2014) 2873; AK et al PRD89 (2014) 7, 074036

$$1 \ll f \ll 1/\alpha_s$$

- "Bottom-up thermalization" of underoccupied system

## Strategy at weak coupling



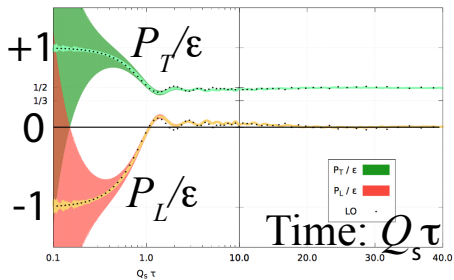
Strategy: Switch from CYM to EKT at  $\tau_{EKT}$ ,

$$1 \ll f \ll 1/\alpha_s$$

From EKT to hydro at  $\tau_i$ ,

$$P_L/P_T \sim 1$$

## Early times $0 < Q_s \tau \lesssim 1$ : classical evolution



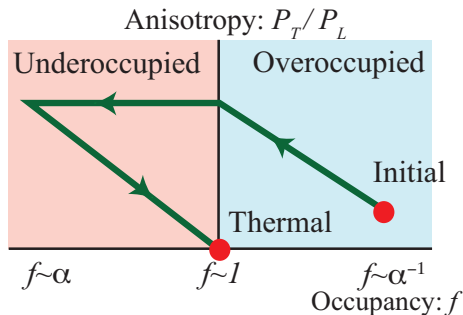
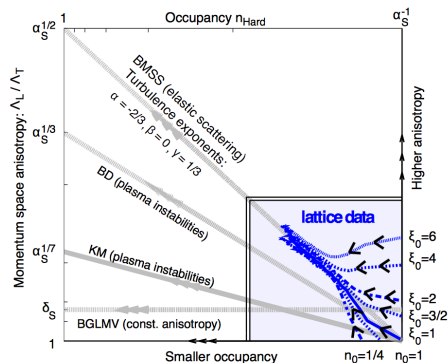
Epelbaum & Gelis, PRL. 111 (2013) 23230

- Melting of the coherent boost invariant CGC fields

Initial condition from CGC: MV-model, JIMWLK

- After  $\tau \sim 1/Q_s$ , fields decohere,  $P_L > 0$

## Later times $Q_s \tau > 1$ : classical evolution



Berges et al. Phys.Rev. D89 (2014) 7, 074011

- Numerical demonstration of overoccupied part of the diagram
- Classical theory never thermalizes or isotropizes

# Effective kinetic theory of Arnold, Moore, Yaffe

JHEP 0301 (2003) 030

$$\frac{df}{dt} = -C_{2\leftrightarrow 2}[f] - C_{1\leftrightarrow 2}[f]$$

The diagram shows two Feynman diagrams. The left diagram represents the \$2\leftrightarrow 2\$ process, showing two incoming particles and two outgoing particles connected by a wavy line. The right diagram represents the \$1\leftrightarrow 2\$ process, showing one incoming particle and two outgoing particles connected by wavy lines.

- Soft and collinear divergences lead to nontrivial matrix elements  
soft: screening, Hard-loop; collinear: LPM, ladder resum

The diagram shows a complex loop diagram on the left, which is equal to the real part of a sum of two ladder diagrams on the right. The ladder diagrams consist of multiple rungs connected by wavy lines.

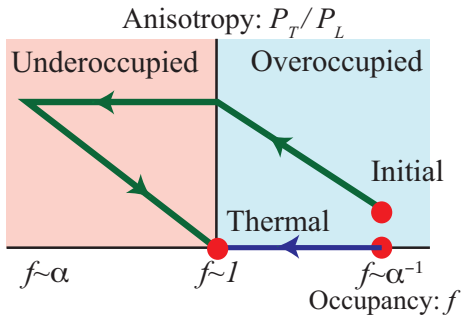
- No free parameters; LO accurate in the  $\alpha_s \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\alpha_s f \rightarrow 0$  limit, for  $\Delta t \sim \omega^{-1} >$  Typical scattering time  $\sim 1/(\alpha^2 T)$
- Caveat: in anisotropic systems screening complicated. Here with isotropic screening. Also no fermions here, yet

plasma instabilities, ...



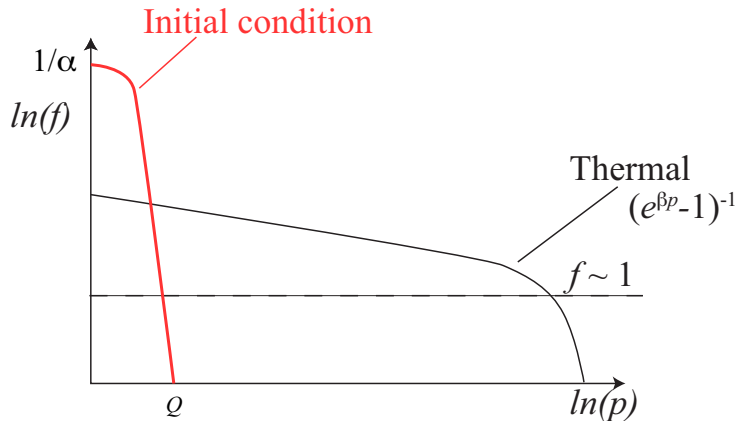
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- Effect of longitudinal expansion: Hydrodynamization

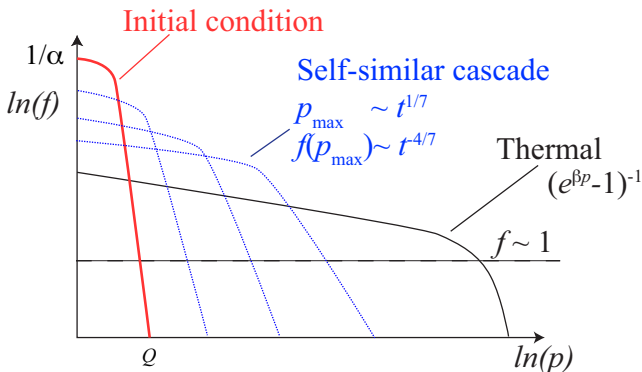
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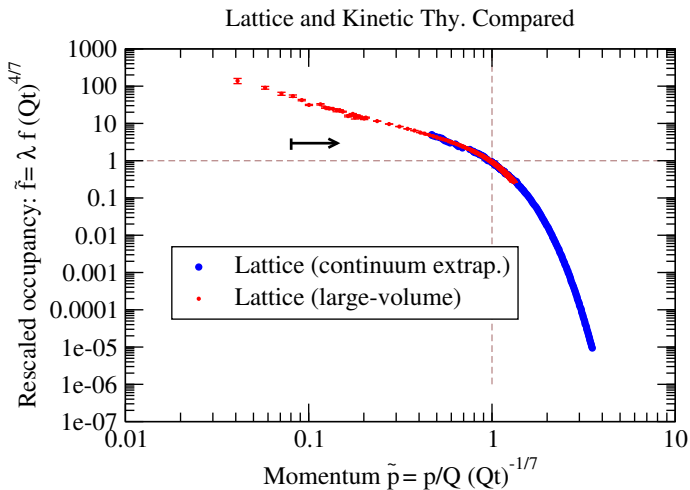
# Overoccupied cascade

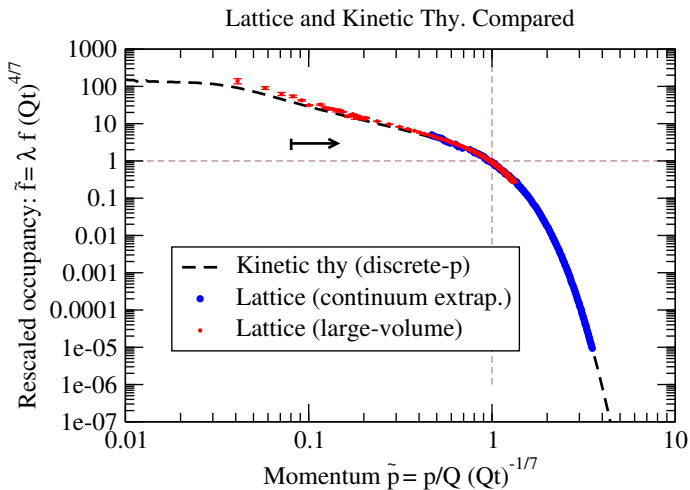
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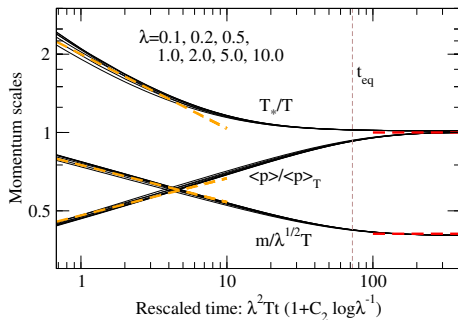
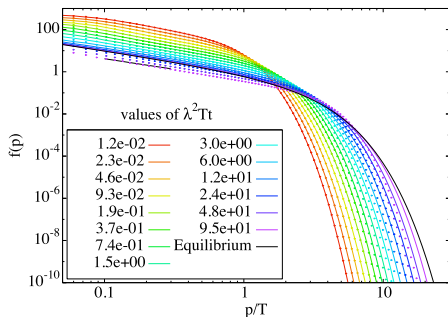
$$\tau_{\text{init}} \sim [\sigma n(1 + f)]^{-1} \sim \left(\frac{Q}{T}\right)^7 \frac{1}{\alpha_s^2 T} \ll \frac{1}{\alpha_s^2 T} \sim \tau_{\text{them.}}$$





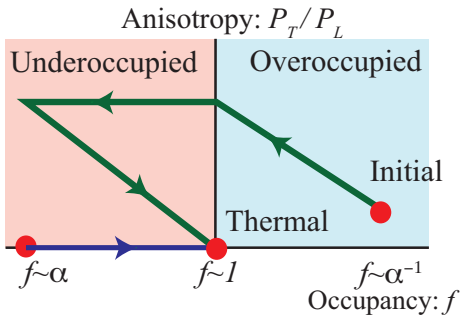
Same system, very different degrees of freedom

$$1 \lesssim f \ll 1/\alpha_s$$



- Thermal equilibrium reached within the kinetic theory

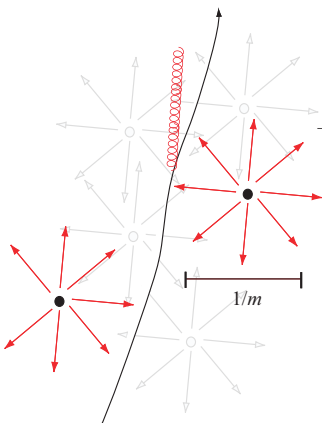
$$t_{eq} \approx \frac{72.}{1 + 0.12 \log \lambda^{-1}} \frac{1}{\lambda^2 T}$$



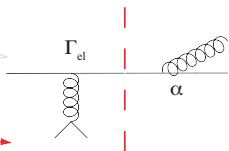
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# Underoccupied cascade: Formation of thermal bath



- Soft modes quick to emit



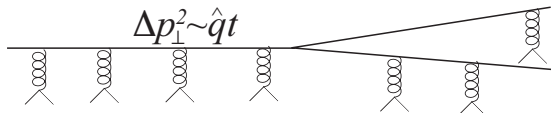
$$\Gamma_{\text{el}} \sim \alpha_s^2 \frac{n}{m_D^2} \sim \alpha_s^2 \frac{\int_{\mathbf{p}} f}{\alpha_s \int_{\mathbf{p}} f/p}$$

$$n_{\text{soft}} \sim \alpha_s \Gamma_{\text{el}} t$$

- Low- $p$ : easy to thermalize
- Can dominate the dynamics  
scattering, screening, ...

⇒ Few energetic “jets” propagating in thermal bath

## Underoccupied cascade: Radiational breakup

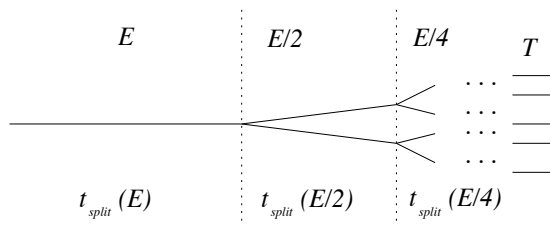


- In vacuum: on-shell splitting kin. disallowed
- In medium:
  - frequent soft scatterings with medium, mom. diffusion:  $\Delta p^2 \sim \hat{q}t$
  - Scatterings lead to virtuality:  $P^2 \sim \hat{q}t$
  - Now offshell particle may split collinearly:  $t_f \sim Q/P^2 \sim \sqrt{Q/\hat{q}}$
  - Splitting time (per particle)  $t_{\text{split}}(Q) \sim \frac{1}{\alpha_s} t_f \sim \frac{1}{\alpha_s} \sqrt{\frac{Q}{\hat{q}}}$

QED: Landau, Pomeranchuk, Migdal 1953.

QCD: Baier Dokshitzer Mueller Peigne Schiff hep-ph/9607355

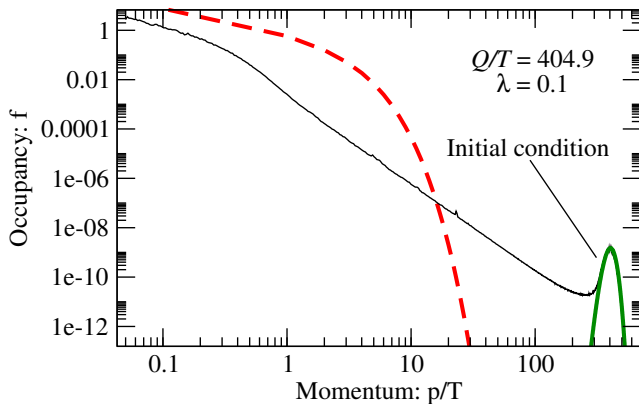
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- Successive splittings happen in faster times scales:

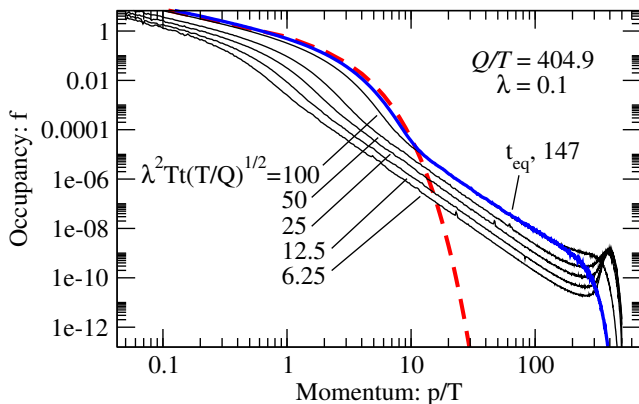
$$t_{\text{quench}}(Q) \sim t_{\text{split}}(Q) + t_{\text{split}}(Q/2) + t_{\text{split}}(Q/4) + \dots \sim t_{\text{split}}(Q)$$

- Once the parton has had time to split it cascades its energy to IR,  $T$  increases.



- Start with an underoccupied initial condition  $p \sim Q$
- after a very short time, an IR bath is created

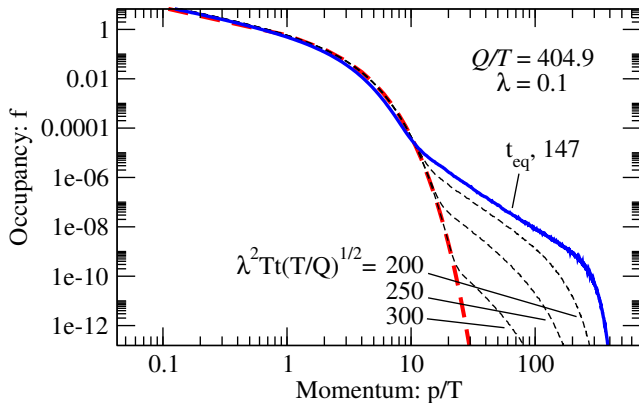
( $1 \leftrightarrow 2$ -processes)



- More energy flows to the IR, temperature increases, “Bottom-up”
- When “bottom” reaches final  $T$ , “up” is quenched

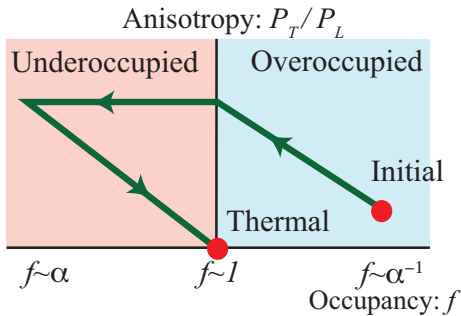
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$$t_{\text{eq}} \sim (Q/T)^{1/2} \frac{1}{\alpha_s^2 T}$$

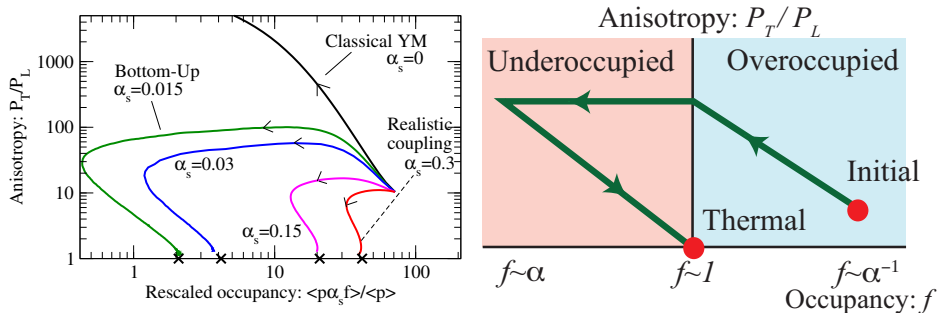


- Hardest scales reach equilibrium last.

Close resemblance to Blaizot, Iancu, Mehtar-tani for jets PRL 111 (2013) 052001



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- Application to HIC: effect of longitudinal expansion



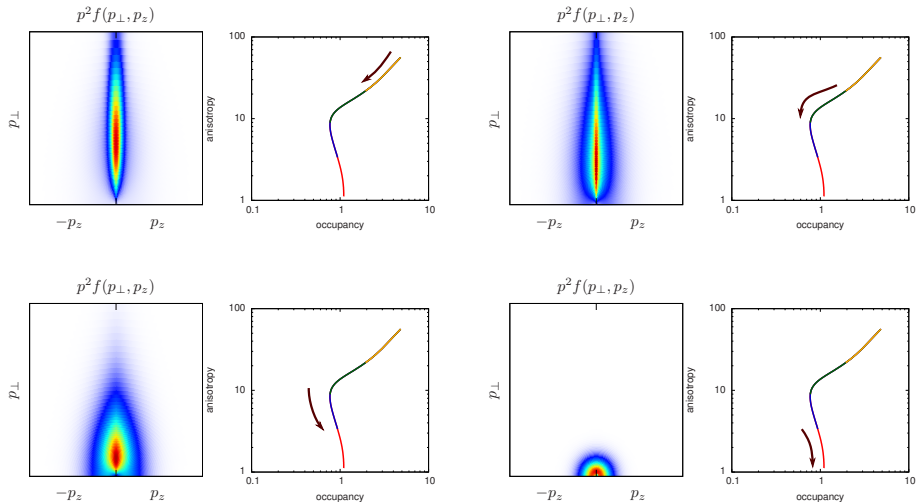
- Initial condition ( $f \sim 1/\alpha_s$ ) from classical field theory calculation

Lappi PLB703 (2011) 325-330

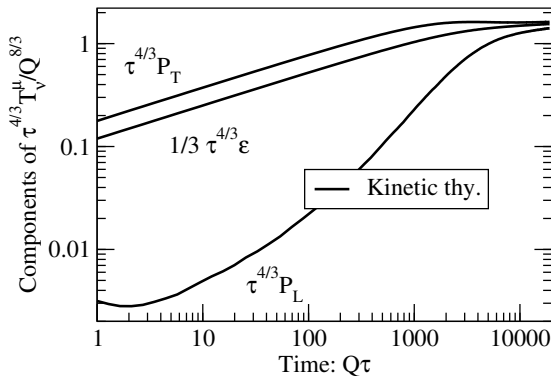
- In the classical limit ( $\alpha_s \rightarrow 0, \alpha_s f$  fixed), no thermalization
- At small values of couplings, clear Bottom-Up behaviour
- Features become less defined as  $\alpha_s$  grows



# Route to equilibrium in EKT

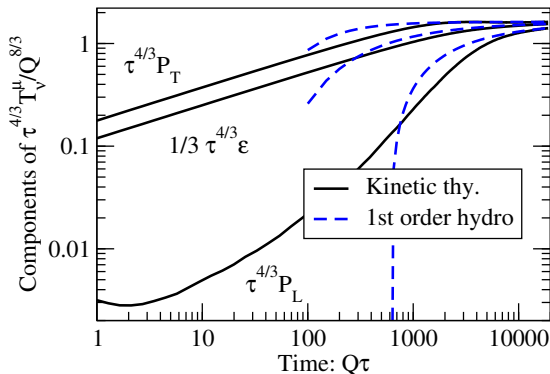


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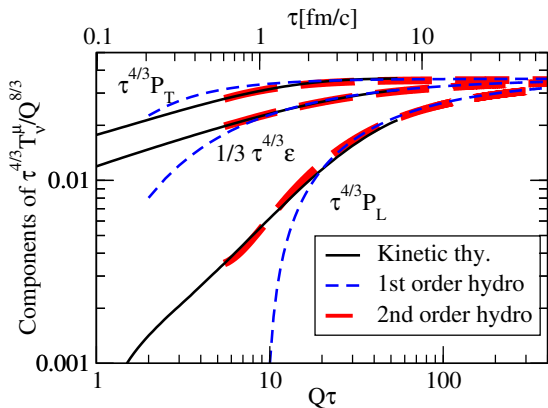


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- Approach to hydro fixed by perturbative  $\eta/s$

Arnold et al. JHEP 0305 (2003) 051

$$\partial_\tau \epsilon = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\epsilon}{\tau} + \frac{4\eta}{3\tau^2}, \quad P_L = \frac{\epsilon}{3} - \frac{4\eta}{3\tau}$$

$$\alpha_s = 0.3$$

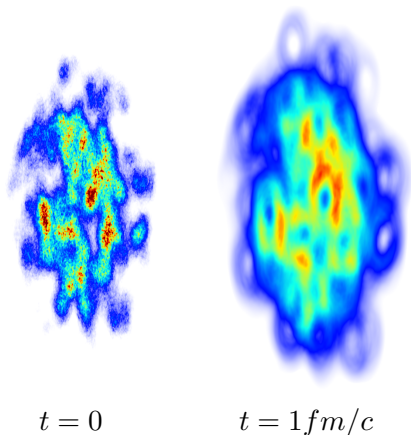


- For realistic couplings, hydrodynamics reached around  $\lesssim 1\text{fm}/c$ .
- Hydro gives a good description even when  $P_L/P_T \sim 1/5$

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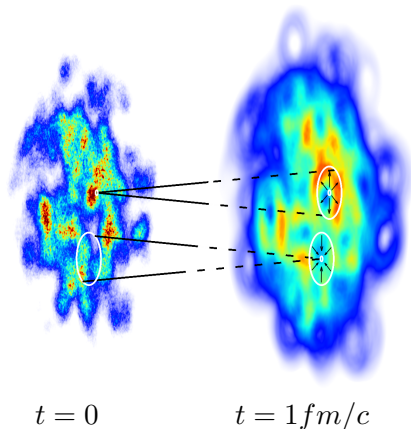
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Pre-equilibrium evolution leads to:

- *smearing* of the nuclear geometry
- Generation of *preflow* due to gradients

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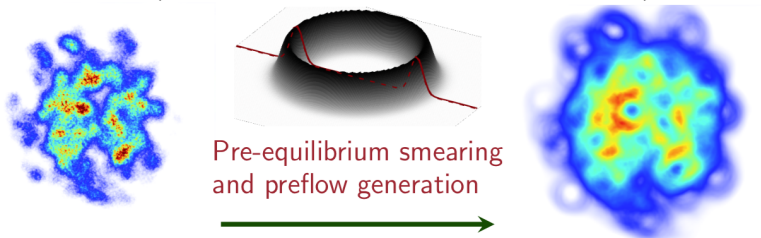


Nuclear radius  $R \ll c\tau_i \sim$  Nucleon radius  $R_p$

- Transverse structure small perturbation within the causal horizon
- Linear response theory for the transverse structures

# Transverse dynamics and preflow

$$\int d^2 \mathbf{x}' \underbrace{\frac{\delta e(\tau_0, \mathbf{x}')}{e(\tau_0)}}_{\text{Left}} \times \underbrace{E(|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|; \tau, \tau_0)}_{\text{Middle}} = \underbrace{\frac{\delta e(\tau, \mathbf{x})}{e(\tau)}, \vec{v}(\tau, \mathbf{x})}_{\text{Right}}$$



- Non-equilibrium Green functions on top of non-equilibrium background  $E$  computed in kinetic theory [Keegan et al. JHEP 1608 \(2016\) 171](#)



Transverse perturbations characterized by wavenumber  $\mathbf{k}$

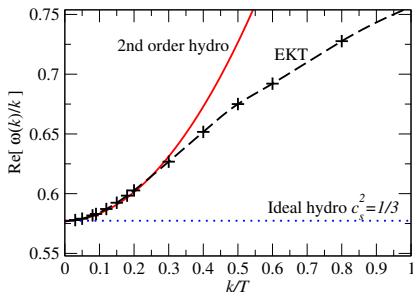
$$f(\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{p}) = \bar{f}(\mathbf{p}) + \exp(i\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{k}) \delta f(\mathbf{p})$$

$$\left( \partial_\tau - \frac{p_z}{\tau} \partial_{p_z} \right) f = C[f]$$

$$\left( \partial_\tau - \frac{p_z}{\tau} \partial_{p_z} + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{p} \right) f = C[\bar{f}, f]$$

- For thermal  $\bar{f}$ : large wavelength pert. described by hydro

Dispersion relation  $\lambda=10$



$$\frac{\omega(k)}{k} = c_s^2 + \frac{4}{3} \frac{\eta}{e+p} \left( c_s \tau_\pi - \frac{2}{3c_s} \frac{\eta}{e+p} \right) k^2$$

- For larger  $k$ ,  $c_s^2 \rightarrow 1$ , with polynomial decay

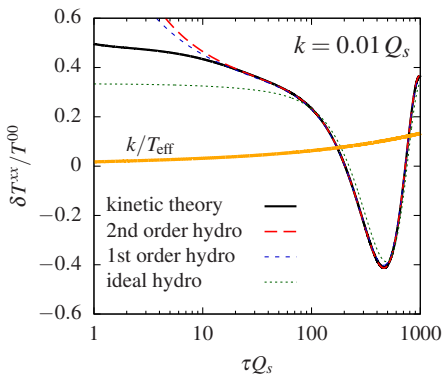
no plot unfortunately...

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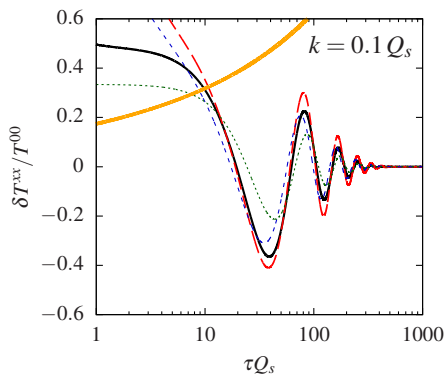
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$$\delta T^{xx} = \frac{\delta e}{e} \left[ \frac{1}{3}e + \frac{1}{3}\eta\tau_\pi k^2 + \frac{\eta}{2\tau} - \frac{2(\lambda_1 - \eta\tau_\pi)}{9\tau^2} \right] - \frac{ik\delta T^{0x}}{e} \left[ \eta - \frac{1}{\tau} \left( \frac{\eta^2}{2e} + \frac{\eta\tau_\pi}{2} - \frac{2}{3}\lambda_1 \right) \right]$$

$k \sim 1/R_{\text{nucleus}}$



$k \sim 1/R_{\text{proton}}$



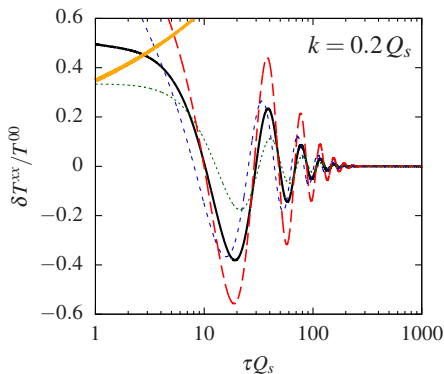
- Perturbations hydrodynamize also at  $Q\tau \sim \{10, 20\}$ .

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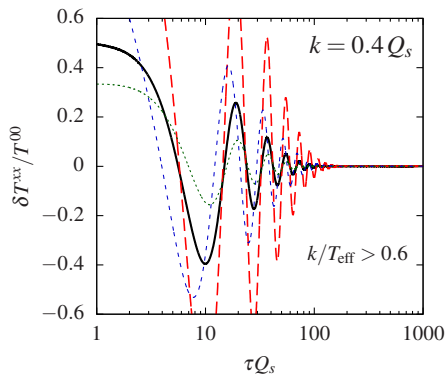
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$k \sim 1/0.5R_{\text{nucleus}}$

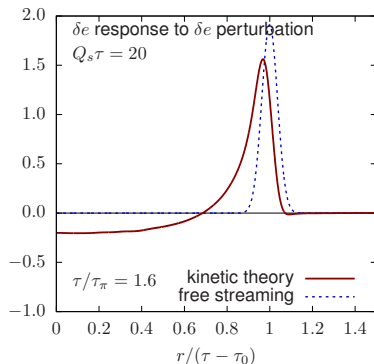
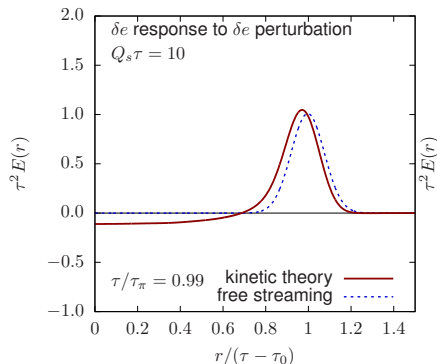
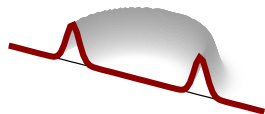


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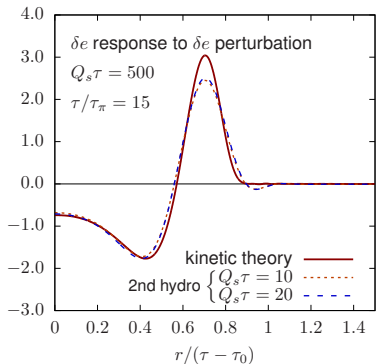
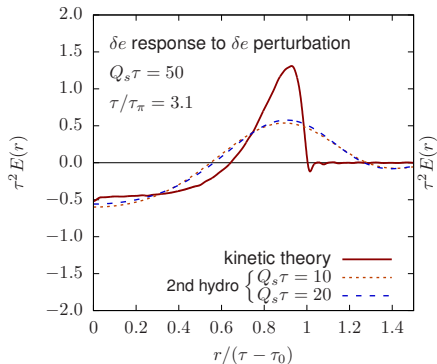
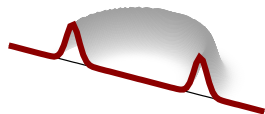
- No hydrodynamics for the large- $k$  modes

# Green function in coordinate space



- Nanscent formation of dip in the origin hall mark of hydro

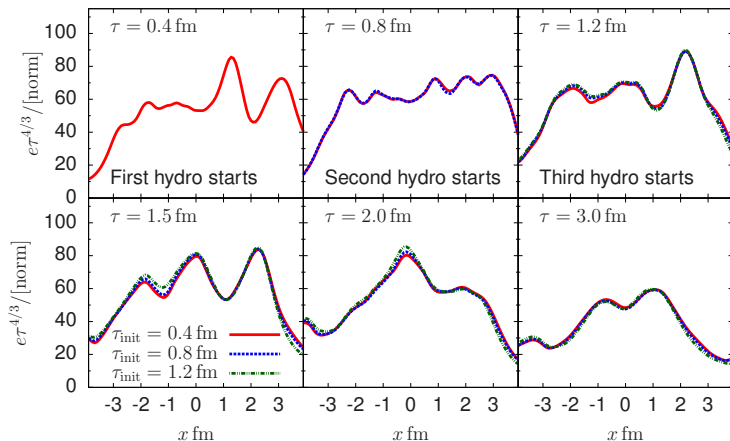
# Green function in coordinate space



- Evolution after  $Q\tau_i > \{10, 20\}$ , evolution described by hydro

# Transverse dynamics and preflow

- IP-glasma + EKT + Hydro:

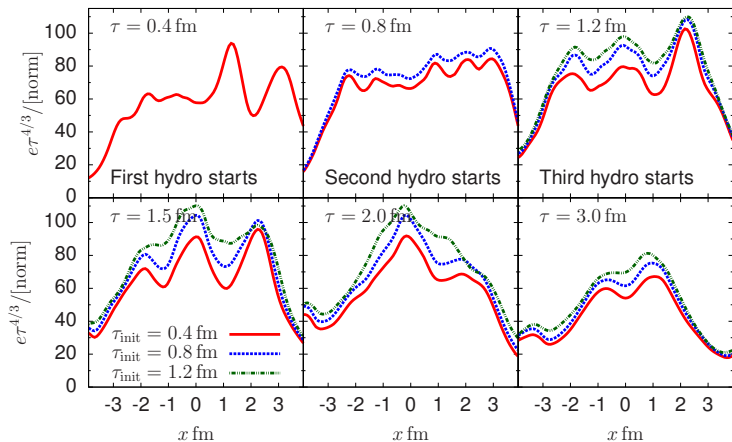


AK, Mazeliauskas, Paquet, Schlichting, Teaney, in progress

- Initialization time dependence removed

# Transverse dynamics and preflow

- Without EKT:



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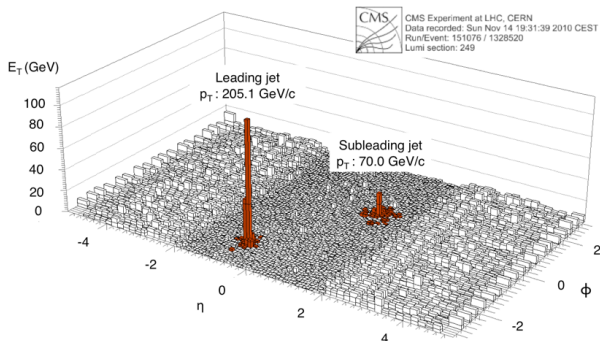
- Strong dependence on initialization time!

# What's missing?

- Public code to put this to use, (*KoMPoST?*)  
Soon: aK, Mazeliauskas, Paquet, Schlichting, Teaney
- Role of fermions
  - production of quarks, chemical equilibration Berges et al. PRC 95 (2017)
- Role of far-from-equilibrium plasma instabilities
- Extensions to small systems
  - What is the smallest droplet of (weakly coupled) liquid that can be?  
Strong coupling: Chesler JHEP 1603 (2016) 146
  - Can flow-like behaviour arise from only few collisions? Flow without hydro?
- Non-equilibrium correlation functions in strong coupling?  
Casalderrey-Solana, Meiring, van der Schee



# What's missing?



- Jet loses energy to the medium: Jet thermalization
- Same physics governs thermalization of the bulk and the medium
- Experimental characterization of jet thermalization will teach about hydrodynamization at intermediate coupling