

Update on simulations of direct photon yield at NICA energies

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Motivation

- Direct photons photons not originating from hadronic decays but produced in electromagnetic interactions in course of collision
- Photons are produced at different collision times
- Photons don't interact strongly and carry out information about collision, even the earliest stage





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Via direct photons we can study properties of QGP (i.e. Temperature) and test QCD. Interesting also is xT scaling properties at large xT.





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Thanks to large electromagnetic calorimeter of MPD, it is possible to measure neutral mesons and photons in previously not-well-discovered region of $\sqrt{s_{_{NN}}}$: 4-11 GeV.

Previous studies of AA collisions at low energies mainly concern WA98 experimental results ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 17.2 \text{ GeV}$) which served as a reference for simulations, see:

- M M Aggarwal et al, (WA98 Collaboration), Phys. Rev. Lett. 85, 3595 (2000)
- B. Bäuchle and M. Bleicher, PhysRevC 81 (2010)
 044904 UrQMD simulations with hybrid approach

See also nice review by T. Peitzmann: "Direct photon production in heavy-ion reactions at SPS and RHIC" Pramana – J. Phys. V. 60 Issue 4 pp 651-661 (2003)



Calculation of direct photon yield

We use UrQMD with hydro evolution ("hybrid approach") in order to calculate direct photon yields. Each cell have T_i , E_i , μb_i . If T is high it is in QGP, if low – in HG, intermediate – mixed phase. For QGP calculate emission rate from QGPRate(E_i , T_i , μb_i) Peter Arnold, Guy D. Moore, Laurence G. Yaffe JHEP 0112:009 2001 For HG from HadronRate(E_i , T_i , μb_i) Simon Turbide, Ralf Rapp, Charles Gale Phys.Rev.C69:014903,2004 Mixed phase (1-QGP_fraction) * HadronRate(E_i , T_i , μb_i) + QGP_fraction * QGPRate(E_i , T_i , μb_i) Integrate over all cells and all timesteps

UrQMD model version 3.4: <u>http://uqrdm.org</u> Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 41 (1998) 225-370 Hybrid approach: Phys. Rev. C 78 (2008) 044901 Options to choose EOS (cto 47): HG, Chiral or BM. At the moment we use Bag model option

Hybrid model



- Initial State:
 - Initialization of two nuclei
 - Non-equilibrium hadron-string dynamics
 - o Initial state fluctuations are included naturally
- 3+1d Hydro +EoS:
 - o SHASTA ideal relativistic fluid dynamics
 - Net baryon density is explicitly propagated
 - \circ Equation of state at finit μ B
- Final State:
 - o Hypersurface at constant energy density
 - Hadronic rescattering and resonance decays within UrQMD

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H.Petersen, et al, PRC78 (2008) 044901 P. Huovinen, H. P. EPJ A48 (2012) 171

Temperature vs radius for different timesteps for $\sqrt{sNN} = 11 \text{ GeV}$



Calculation of pi0 yield

Calculate π⁰ yield from UrQMD with hydro mode off (cto 45 0). Cut on unit rapidity: |y|<0.5
Calculate decay photon spectrum. Cut on unit rapidity: |y|<0.5

Comparisons at 158 AGeV

Compare yields from hadronic and QGP phases and overall yield with previous calculation from S. Turbide et al and M. Bleicher at al. Note: we have b<4.5, y=0.

Good agreement 0.8 < pT < 2 GeV/c



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A few additional notes

- QGPRate depends on alpha_s which can be constant or temperature dependent. Now we use temperature dependent one $\alpha_{\rm S}(T) = \frac{6\pi}{(33 2N_f)\ln\left(\frac{8T}{T_o}\right)}$,
- QGPRate depends on Nf. We use 2 currently instead of 3 that was used by B. Bauhle, M. Bleicher Phys.Rev.C81:044904,2010
- We integrate over phi for rapidity 0
- gamma2 = $\sqrt{\frac{1}{1-v^2}}$
- Ei = Pt*gamma2*(1.-cos φ *vx(i,j,k) sin φ *vy(i,j,k)) !product of 4-vectors: p*u
- New option: calculate at fixed rapidity:
- Ei = Pt*gamma2*(1.-cos φ *vx(i,j,k)*sin θ sin φ *vy(i,j,k)*sin θ vz(i,j,k)*cos θ) / sin θ

• Can higher yield at y=0.5 compared to y=0 be explained?



Comparisons at 158 AGeV

Compare direct γ to π^0 ratio to WA98 results. Note: prompt photons (pQCD) not included yet in the ratio. Note: b<4.5, y=0



Calculations at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 11 GeV

Calculate the same dependences at the top NICA energy. Note: b=0 and y=0 here



Calculations at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 5 GeV

Calculate the same dependences at the low NICA energy



Comparison

Yields for all three energies



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Conclusions

Direct photon simulations using UrQMD are performed and tested for SPS energy 158 AGeV, compared to WA98 results.

First results of direct gamma spectrum predictions at MPD top energy ($\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 11 \text{ GeV}$) and low

energy ($\sqrt{S_{NN}} = 5$ GeV) regimes were obtained. Direct gamma to π^0 and R_v ratios are calculated.

Backup

Hybrid model details: Equations of State

Ideal relativistic one fluid dynamics:

 $\partial_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} = 0$ and $\partial_{\mu} (nu^{\mu}) = 0$

- HG: Hadron gas including the same degrees of freedom as in UrQMD (all hadrons with masses up to 2.2 GeV)
- CH: Chiral EoS from quark-meson model with first order transition and critical endpoint (most realistic)
- BM: Bag Model EoS with a strong first order phase transition between QGP and hadronic phase



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Ingredients: QGP rate

"Photon Emission from Quark-Gluon Plasma: Complete Leading Order Results" Peter Arnold, Guy D. Moore, Laurence G. Yaffe JHEP 0112:009,2001

For the convenience of readers interested in just the bottom line, we summarize our results here. The complete leading-order photon emission rate may be written as

$$\nu_{\rm e}(\mathbf{k}) = \mathcal{A}(k) \left[\ln \left(T/m_{\infty} \right) + C_{\rm tot}(k/T) \right], \qquad (1.7)$$

with

$$C_{\rm tot}(k/T) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(2k/T \right) + C_{2\leftrightarrow 2}(k/T) + C_{\rm brem}(k/T) + C_{\rm annih}(k/T) \,, \tag{1.8}$$

FIG. 9. Total photon emission rate, together with the bremsstrahlung, inelastic pair annihilation and $2 \leftrightarrow 2$ contributions, for two-flavor QCD with $\alpha_{\rm s} = 0.2$. The left panel shows $d\Gamma_{\gamma}/dk$, divided by $\alpha_{\rm s} \alpha_{\rm EM} T^3$, while the right panel shows rates weighted by photon energy.

Ingredients: hadronic rate

"Hadronic Production of Thermal Photons" Simon Turbide, Ralf Rapp, Charles Gale Phys.Rev.C69:014903,2004

APPENDIX A: PARAMETERISATIONS

The photon emission rates have been calculated from the Lagrangian describe in Sec. III and by the VMD interaction

$$\mathcal{L}_{em} = -Cm_{\rho}^2 A^{\mu} \rho_{\mu}^0 \qquad (A1)$$

where A^{μ} is the photon field and C is a constant adjusted by the experimental decay $\rho^{0} \rightarrow e^{+}e^{-}$, which gives C=0.059. In order to respect the Ward Identity in a direct way, we multiply each Feynman amplitude by the square of the averaged space-like form factor of Eq. (10). Time-like form factors have been defined to be normalised to one for on-shell decays. We quote below parametrisations which include the axial meson a_1 as exchange particle for non-strange initial states. In the following, the photon energy (E) and the temperature (T) are both in GeV. Parameterisations for $K^* \rightarrow K + \pi + \gamma$ and $K + K \rightarrow \rho + \gamma$ do not appear because their rates have been found to be negligible.

$$E\frac{dR_{\pi+\rho\to\pi+\gamma}}{d^3p} = F^4(E) T^{2.8} exp\left(\frac{-(1.461T^{2.3094}+0.727)}{(2TE)^{0.86}} + (0.566T^{1.4094}-0.9957)\frac{E}{T}\right) (\text{fm}^{-4}\text{GeV}^{-2})$$
(A2)

$$E\frac{dR_{\pi+\pi\to\rho+\gamma}}{d^3p} = F^4(E)\frac{1}{T^5}exp\left(-(9.314T^{-0.584}-5.328)(2TE)^{0.088}+(0.3189T^{0.721}-0.8998)\frac{E}{T}\right)$$
(A3)

$$E\frac{dR_{\rho\to\pi+\pi+\gamma}}{d^3p} = F^4(E) \frac{1}{T^2} exp\left(-\frac{(-35.459T^{1.126} + 18.827)}{(2TE)^{(-1.44T^{0.142} + 0.9996)}} - 1.21\frac{E}{T}\right)$$
(A4)

$$E\frac{dR_{\pi+K^*\to K+\gamma}}{d^3p} = F^4(E) T^{3.75} exp\left(-\frac{0.35}{(2TE)^{1.05}} + (2.3894T^{0.03435} - 3.222)\frac{E}{T}\right)$$
(A5)

$$E\frac{dR_{\pi+K\to K^{*}+\gamma}}{d^{3}p} = F^{4}(E)\frac{1}{T^{3}}exp\left(-(5.4018T^{-0.6864} - 1.51)(2TE)^{0.07} - 0.91\frac{E}{T}\right)$$
(A6)

$$E \frac{dR_{\rho+K\to K+\gamma}}{d^3 p} = F^4(E) T^{3.5} exp\left(-\frac{(0.9386T^{1.551} + 0.634)}{(2TE)^{1.01}} + (0.568T^{0.5397} - 1.164)\frac{E}{T}\right)$$
(A7)

$$E\frac{dR_{K^*+K\to\pi+\gamma}}{d^3p} = F^4(E) T^{3.7} exp\left(\frac{-(6.096T^{1.889} + 1.0299)}{(2TE)^{(-1.613T^{2.162} + 0.975)}} - 0.96\frac{E}{T}\right)$$
(A8)

F(E) is the form factor, cf. Sec. II B

Different models

S.Turbide, R. Rapp, C. Gale Phys.Rev.C69:014903,2004