

# Simulations of direct photon yield at NICA energies

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### **Motivation**

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

Previous studies of AA collisions at low energies mainly concern WA98 experimental results ( $vs_{NN} = 17.2 \text{ GeV}$ ) 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)



### **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

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



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  $A^{\mu}$  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)

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

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



### Ingredients: UrQMD model

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:
  - o Initialization of two nuclei
  - Non-equilibrium hadron-string dynamics
  - 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  $\mu$  B
- Final State:
  - Hypersurface at constant energy density
  - Hadronic rescattering and resonance decays within UrQMD

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

### Hybrid model details: Equations of State

#### Ideal relativistic one fluid dynamics:

 $\partial_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} = 0$  and  $\partial_{\mu} \left( n u^{\mu} \right) = 0$ 

- 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



# Strategy

- Calculate  $\pi^0$  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
- Calculate photon yield from UrQMD with hydro mode on (cto 45 1).
  - At each timestep calculate QGP and HG rates as integral over volume based on energy density, temperature and baryon mu and QGP fraction values from hydro (oschydro\_event function in 1fluid.f).
  - Sum all timesteps.
  - To get overall direct photon yield one should sum thermal photons (QGP and HG calculated at previous step) and prompt photons (need pQCD calculation).

### **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=0.

"The calculations with the BM-EOS yield a different picture. Here, the dominant contribution comes from the QGP, whose emission magnitude is about two times higher than the combined contribution from all hadronic processes."

direct photon yield





### **Comparisons at 158 AGeV**

Compare direct  $\gamma$  to  $\pi^0$  ratio to WA98 results. Note: prompt photons (pQCD) not included yet in the ratio.



### Calculations at √s<sub>NN</sub> = 11 GeV

Calculate the same dependences at the top NICA energy



# 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 ( $VS_{NN} = 11 \text{ GeV}$ ) are obtained. Direct gamma to  $\pi^0$  and direct gamma to decay gamma ratios are calculated.
- ≻ Todo:
  - > Calculate pQCD fraction with JetPhox
  - > Discuss with UrQMD team (still no contact established...)
  - Compare different EOS (preliminary studies show big difference!)
  - Compare with other models?

# Backup

### Different models



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