

# Energy Loss in Unstable Quark-Gluon Plasma

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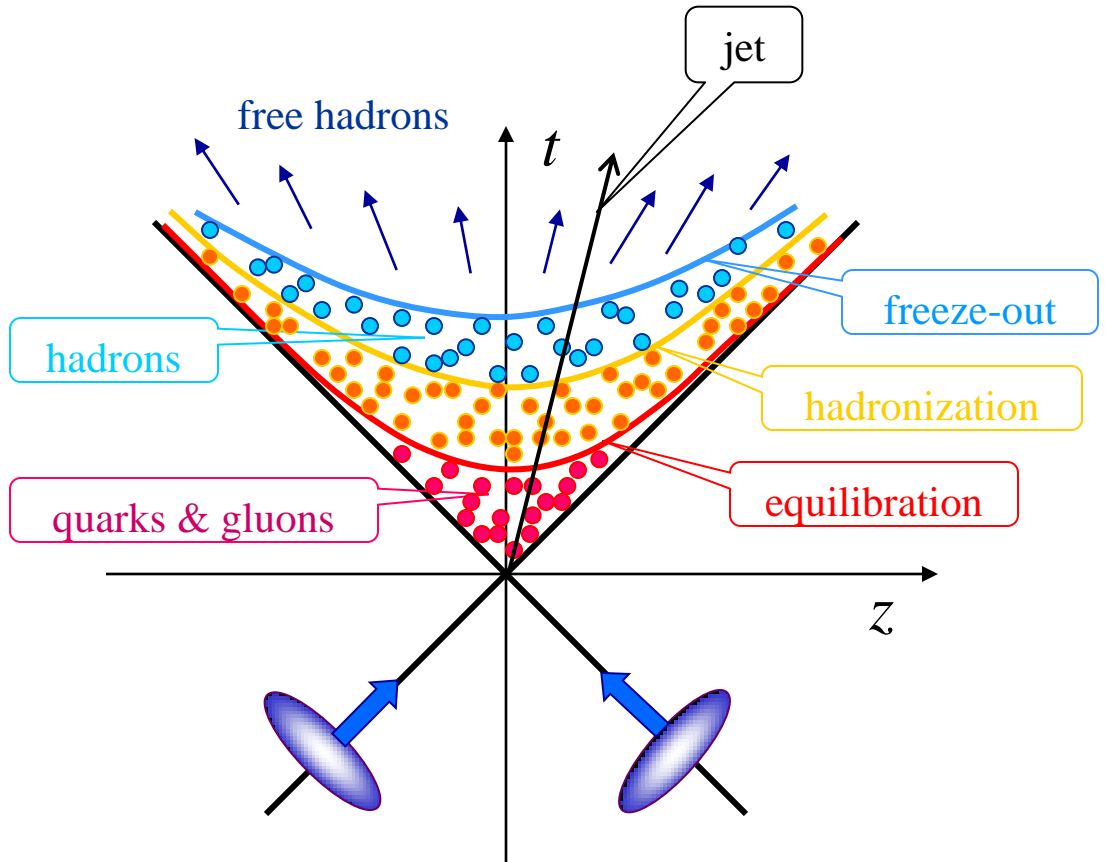
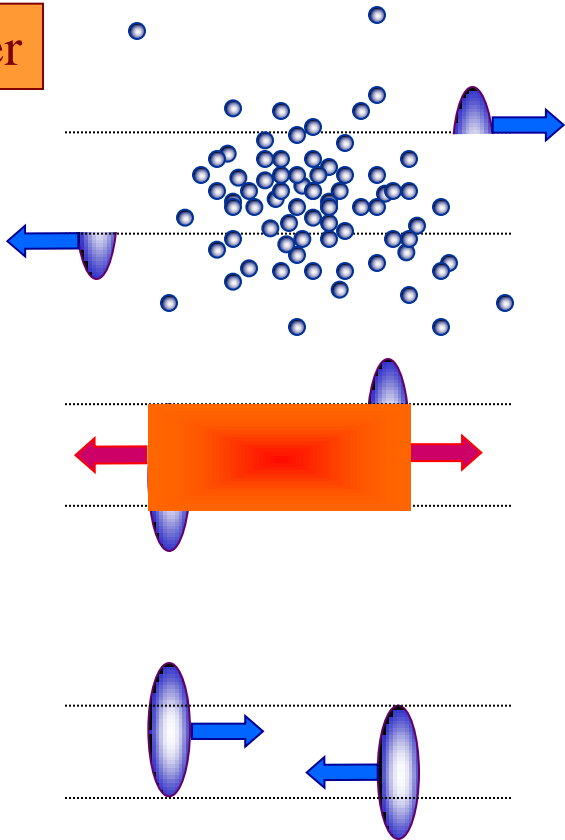
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# Scenario of relativistic heavy-ion collisions

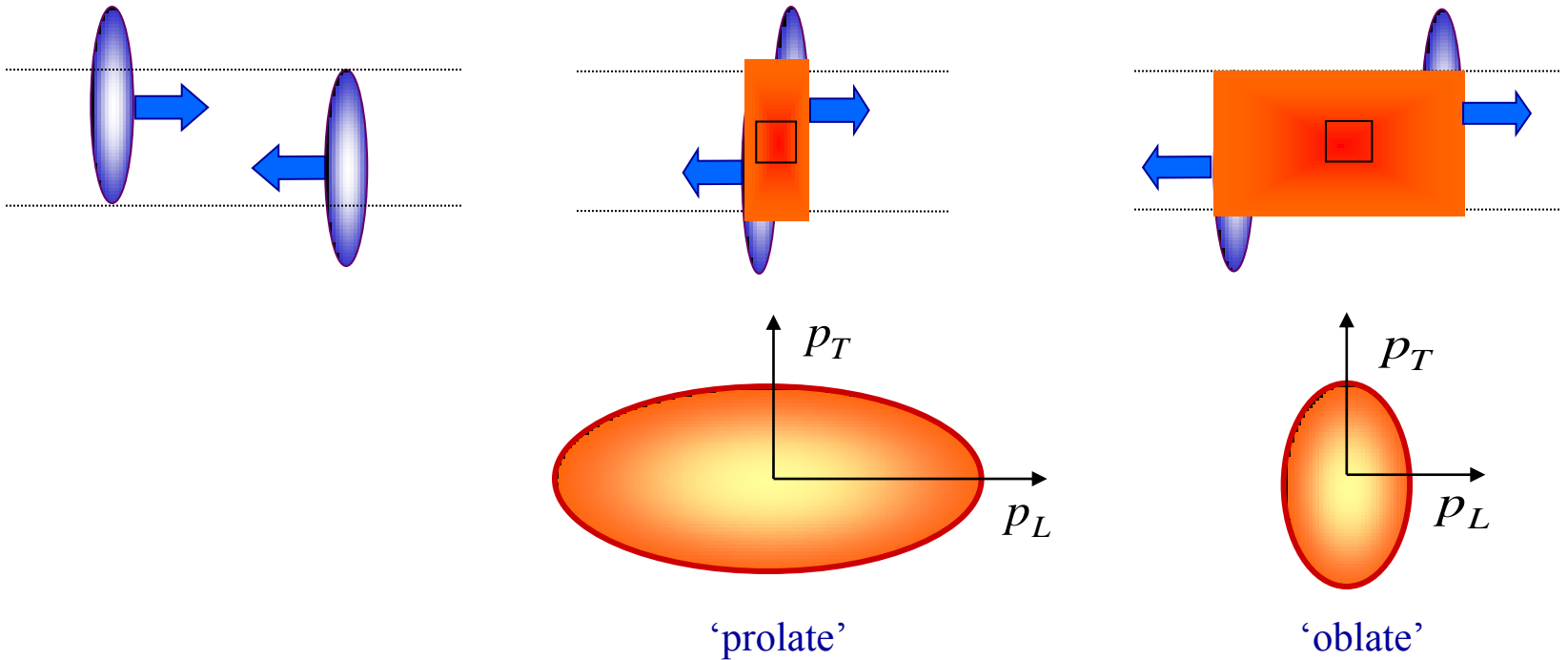
after



before

QGP is out of equilibrium at the collision early stage

# Anisotropic QGP



Anisotropic weakly coupled QGP is unstable  
due to magnetic plasma modes

# Questions

What is a magnitude of energy loss in a high-energy parton when it is traversing an unstable QGP?

- ▶ What is a magnitude of collisional energy loss?
- ▶ What is a magnitude of radiative energy loss?

$$\frac{dE^{\text{rad}}}{dx} = -\frac{g^2 N_c}{32\pi} L \hat{q}, \quad \hat{q} = ? \quad g \ll 1$$

R. Baier, *et al.* Nucl. Phys. B **484**, 265 (1997)

# A test parton in QGP

Wong's equation of motion (Hard Loop Approximation)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dx^\mu(\tau)}{d\tau} = u^\mu(\tau) \\ \frac{dp^\mu(\tau)}{d\tau} = gQ_a(\tau) F_a^{\mu\nu}(x(\tau)) u_\nu(\tau) \\ \frac{dQ_a(\tau)}{d\tau} = -gf^{abc} p_\mu(\tau) A_b^\mu(x(\tau)) Q_c(\tau) \end{array} \right.$$

## Simplifications

Gauge condition:  $p_\mu(\tau) A_b^\mu(x(\tau)) = 0 \Rightarrow Q_a(\tau) = \text{const}$

Parton travels with constant velocity:  $u^\mu = (\gamma, \gamma\mathbf{u}) = \text{const} \ \& \ \mathbf{u}^2 = 1$

# Collisional energy loss

$$\frac{dE(t)}{dt} = gQ_a \mathbf{E}_a(t, \mathbf{r}(t)) \cdot \mathbf{u}$$

induced & spontaneously  
generated chromoelectric field

parton's current:  $\mathbf{j}_a(t, \mathbf{r}) = gQ_a \mathbf{v} \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{u}t)$

$$\frac{dE(t)}{dt} = \int d^3r \mathbf{E}_a(t, \mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{j}_a(t, \mathbf{r})$$

# Transverse momentum broadening

$$\hat{q}(t) \equiv \frac{d}{dt} \left( \delta^{ij} - u^i u^j \right) \langle p^i(t) p^j(t) \rangle$$

$$\langle p^i(t) p^j(t) \rangle = \langle p^i(0) p^j(0) \rangle + g^2 \frac{C_R}{N_c^2 - 1} \int_0^t dt_1 \int_0^t dt_2 \langle F_a^i(t_1, \mathbf{r}_1) F_a^j(t_2, \mathbf{r}_2) \rangle$$

Lorentz force

test parton trajectory

$$\mathbf{F}_a(t, \mathbf{r}) \equiv \mathbf{E}_a(t, \mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B}_a(t, \mathbf{r}), \quad \mathbf{r}_i \equiv \mathbf{r}_0 + \mathbf{u} t_i, \quad i = 1, 2$$

color factor

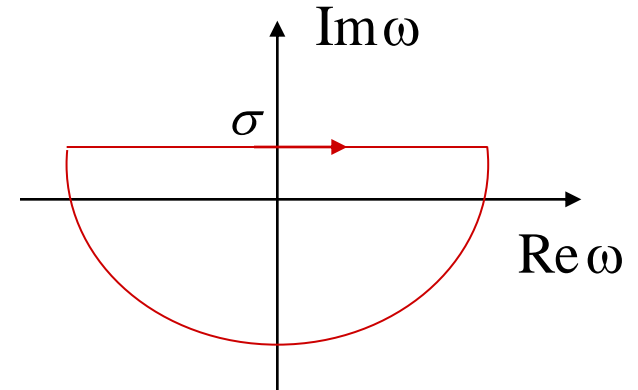
$$C_R \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{N_c^2 - 1}{2N_c} & \text{for quark} \\ N_c & \text{for gluon} \end{cases}$$

# Initial value problem

## One-sided Fourier transformation

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} f(\omega, \mathbf{k}) &= \int_0^{\infty} dt \int d^3 r e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r})} f(t, \mathbf{r}) \\ f(t, \mathbf{r}) &= \int_{-\infty + i\sigma}^{\infty + i\sigma} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r})} f(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$0 < \sigma \in \mathbb{R}$$



$$\mathbf{j}_a(t, \mathbf{r}) = gQ_a \mathbf{v} \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{u}t) \Rightarrow \mathbf{j}_a(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{igQ_a \mathbf{u}}{\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}}$$

$$\frac{dE(t)}{dt} = gQ_a \int_{-\infty + i\sigma}^{\infty + i\sigma} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i(\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u})t} \mathbf{E}_a(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{u}$$



# Electric Field

Linearized Yang-Mills (Maxwell) equations (Hard Loop Approximation)

$$\begin{aligned}
 i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{D}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) &= \rho(\omega, \mathbf{k}), & i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{B}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) &= 0, \\
 i\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) &= i\omega\mathbf{B}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) + \mathbf{B}_0(\mathbf{k}), \\
 i\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{B}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) &= \mathbf{j}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) - i\omega\mathbf{E}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) - \mathbf{D}_0(\mathbf{k})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$D^i(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \varepsilon^{ij}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) E^j(\omega, \mathbf{k})$$

Chromodielectric tensor

$$\varepsilon^{ij}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \delta^{ij} + \frac{g^2}{2\omega} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{v^i}{\omega - \mathbf{k}\mathbf{v} + i0^+} \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{p})}{\partial p^l} \left[ \left(1 - \frac{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{v}}{\omega}\right) \delta^{lj} + \frac{k^l v^j}{\omega} \right]$$

dynamical information  
about medium

$$E^i(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = -i(\Sigma^{-1})^{ij}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) [\omega\mathbf{j}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) + \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{B}_0(\mathbf{k}) - \omega\mathbf{D}_0(\mathbf{k})]^j$$

$$\Sigma^{ij}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \equiv -\mathbf{k}^2 \delta^{ij} + k^i k^j + \omega^2 \varepsilon^{ij}(\omega, \mathbf{k})$$

# Magnetic Field

Faraday law

$$\mathbf{B}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{\omega} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) + \frac{i}{\omega} \mathbf{B}_0(\mathbf{k})$$

# Collisional energy loss

$$\frac{dE(t)}{dt} = gQ_a v^i \int_{-\infty+i\sigma}^{\infty+i\sigma} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i(\omega-\bar{\omega})t}$$

$$\times (\Sigma^{-1})^{ij}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \left[ \underbrace{\frac{igQ_a \omega \mathbf{v}}{\omega - \bar{\omega}}}_{\text{current of the test parton}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{B}_0^a(\mathbf{k}) - \omega \mathbf{D}_0^a(\mathbf{k})}_{\text{initial values of the fields}} \right]^j$$

$$\bar{\omega} \equiv \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u}$$

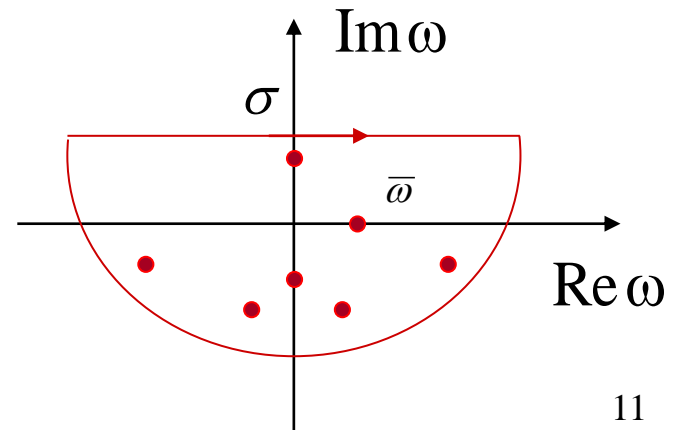
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Dispersion equation

$$\det[\Sigma(\omega, \mathbf{k})] = 0$$



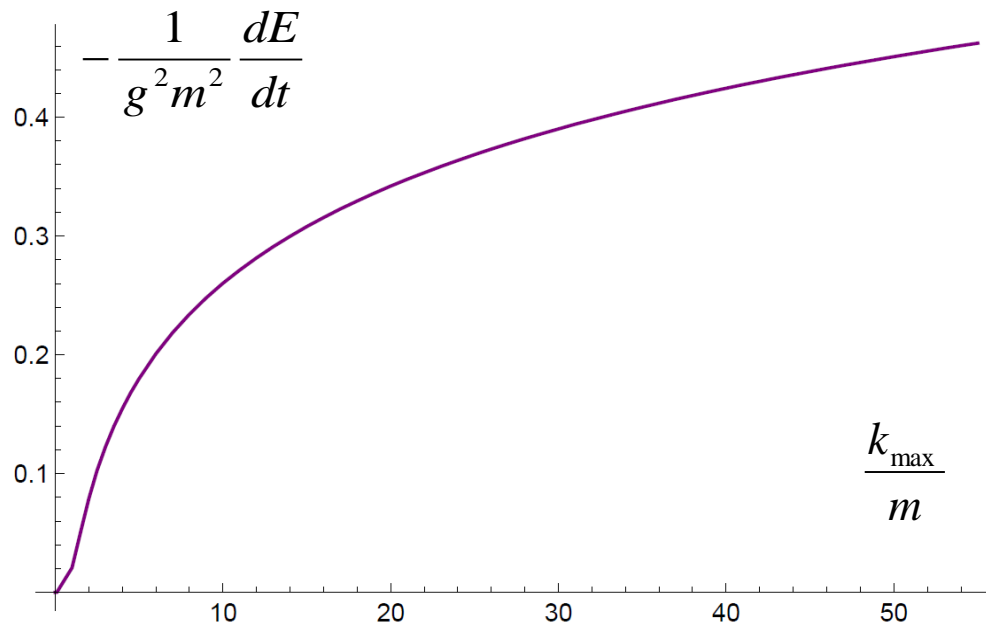
# Collisional energy loss in equilibrium QGP

The initial conditions are *forgotten*

$$\frac{dE(t)}{dt} = ig^2 C_R \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\bar{\omega}}{\mathbf{k}^2} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon_L(\bar{\omega}, \mathbf{k})} + \frac{\mathbf{k}^2 \mathbf{v}^2 - \bar{\omega}^2}{\bar{\omega}^2 \varepsilon_T(\bar{\omega}, \mathbf{k}) - \mathbf{k}^2} \right]$$

$$\bar{\omega} \equiv \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

equivalent to the standard result by Braaten & Thoma



Debye mass

$$m^2 \equiv g^2 \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{f(\mathbf{p})}{|\mathbf{p}|}$$

## How to choose the field initial values?

- 1) The initial fields vanish:  $\mathbf{D}_0(\mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{B}_0(\mathbf{k}) = 0$
- 2) The initial fields are independent of the parton's current.

**1) is equivalent to 2)**

The effect of the initial fields cancels out after an averaging over parton's colors.

$$\int dQ Q_a = 0, \quad \int dQ Q_a Q_b = C_2 \delta^{ab}, \quad C_2 \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{for quark} \\ N_c & \text{for gluon} \end{cases}$$

## How to choose the field initial values?

State of the test parton is, in general, correlated with state of the plasma.

Maximal correlation: the initial fields are induced by the parton's current.

$$\mathbf{j}_a(t, \mathbf{r}) = gQ_a \mathbf{v} \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{v}t), \quad t \in (-\infty, \infty)$$

Maxwell equations



Two-sided Fourier transformation

**Initial values:**

$$D_0^i(\mathbf{k}) = -igQ_a \bar{\omega} \varepsilon^{ij}(\bar{\omega}, \mathbf{k}) (\Sigma^{-1})^{jk}(\bar{\omega}, \mathbf{k}) v^k$$

$$B_0^i(\mathbf{k}) = -igQ_a \varepsilon^{ijk} k^j (\Sigma^{-1})^{kl}(\bar{\omega}, \mathbf{k}) v^l$$

# Collisional energy loss

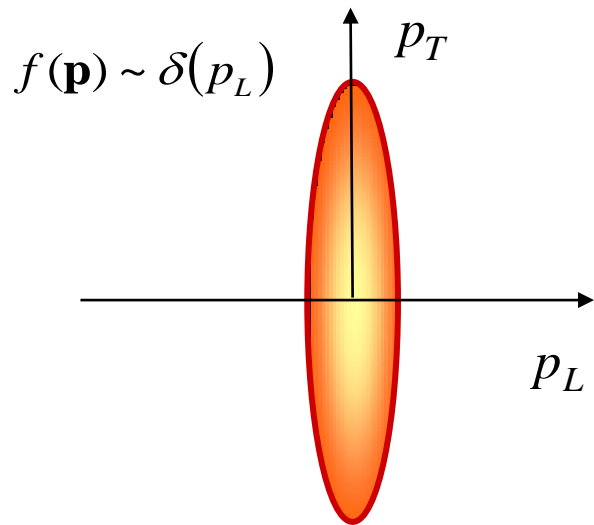
$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dE(t)}{dt} = & ig^2 v^i v^l \int_{-\infty+i\sigma}^{\infty+i\sigma} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi i} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i(\omega-\bar{\omega})t} \\
 & \times (\Sigma^{-1})^{ij}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \left\{ \frac{\omega \delta^{jl}}{\omega - \bar{\omega}} + \right. \\
 & \left. + \cos \varphi \left[ \underbrace{(k^j k^k - \mathbf{k}^2)(\Sigma^{-1})^{jk}(\bar{\omega}, \mathbf{k})}_{\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{B}_0(\mathbf{k})} - \underbrace{\omega \bar{\omega} \varepsilon^{ij}(\bar{\omega}, \mathbf{k})(\Sigma^{-1})^{jk}(\bar{\omega}, \mathbf{k})}_{\omega \mathbf{D}_0(\mathbf{k})} \right] \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$-1 \leq \cos \varphi \leq 1$  arbitrary phase factor

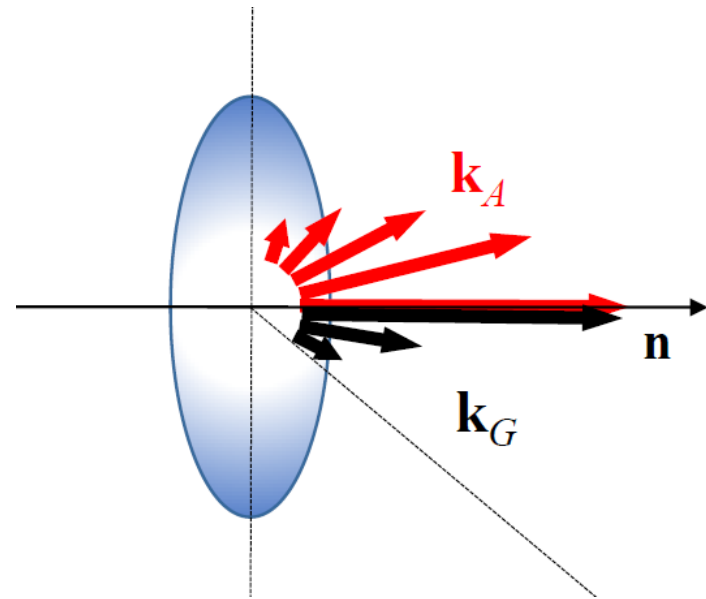
▶  $\cos \varphi = 0$  uncorrelated initial fields

▶  $\cos \varphi = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{maximal correlation} \\ -1 & \text{maximal anticorrelation} \end{cases}$

# Extremely oblate QGP

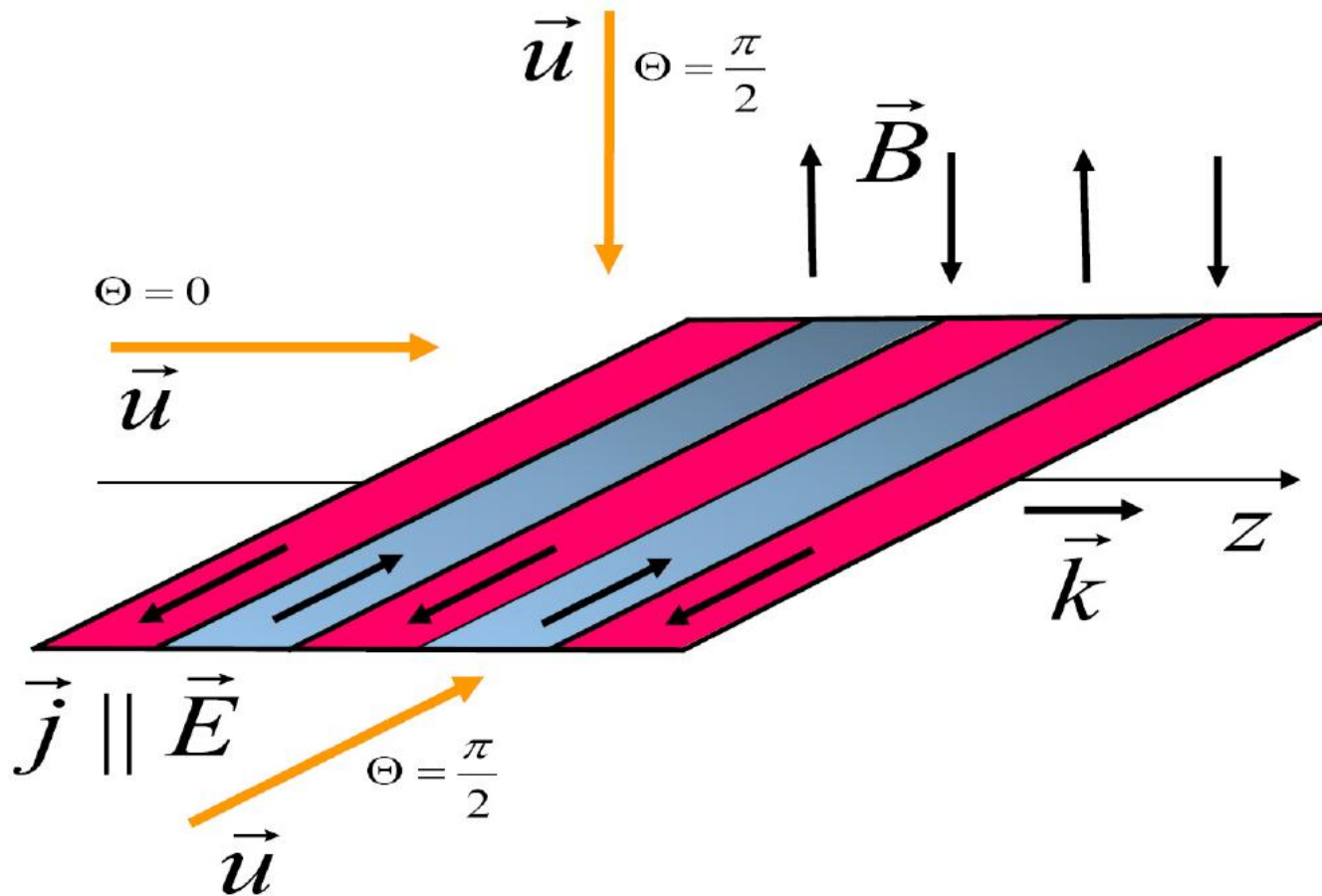


2 unstable modes





# Extremely oblate QGP



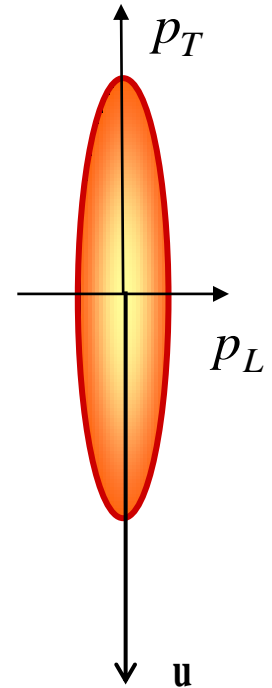
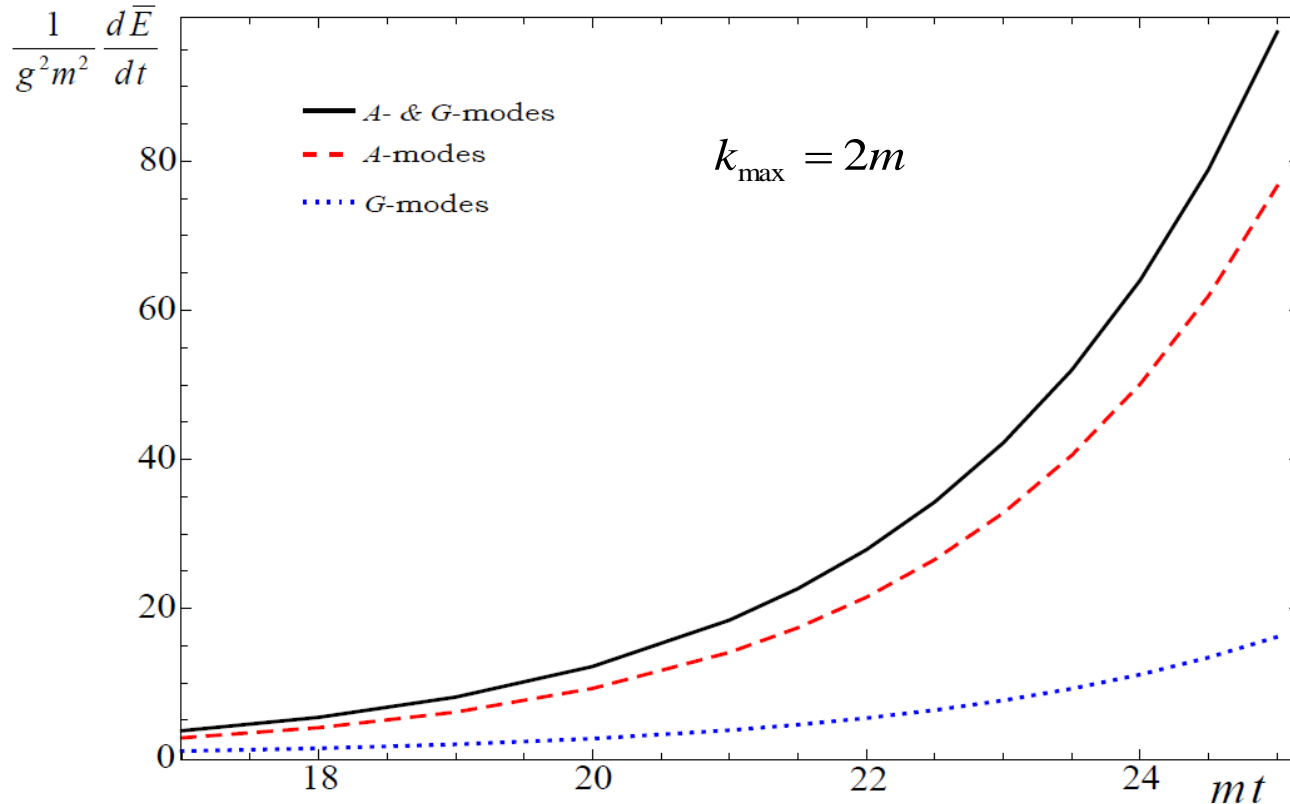
## Collisional energy loss in extremely oblate QGP

Nothing spectacular happens with *uncorrelated* initial fields!

$$\frac{dE}{dt} \approx \left. \frac{dE}{dt} \right|_{\text{eq}}$$

# Collisional energy loss in extremely oblate QGP

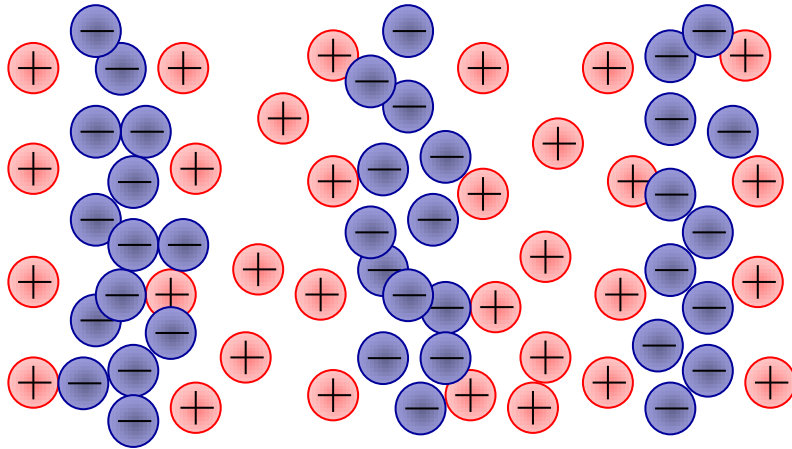
Correlated initial fields



$$-\left. \frac{1}{g^2 m^2} \frac{dE}{dt} \right|_{\text{eq}} = 0.08 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{energy gain for } \cos\varphi < 0 \\ \text{energy loss for } \cos\varphi > 0 \end{array} \right.$$

# Plasma accelerator

**E** → ← → ← → ←



T. Tajima & J. M. Dawson,  
Phys. Rev. Lett. **43**, 267 (1979)

$E_e = 1 \text{ GeV @ } 3.3 \text{ cm}$

W. P. Leemans *et al.*,  
Nature Phys. **2**, 696 (2006).

$$E^z(t, x) = E_0 \cos(\omega_0 t - kz)$$

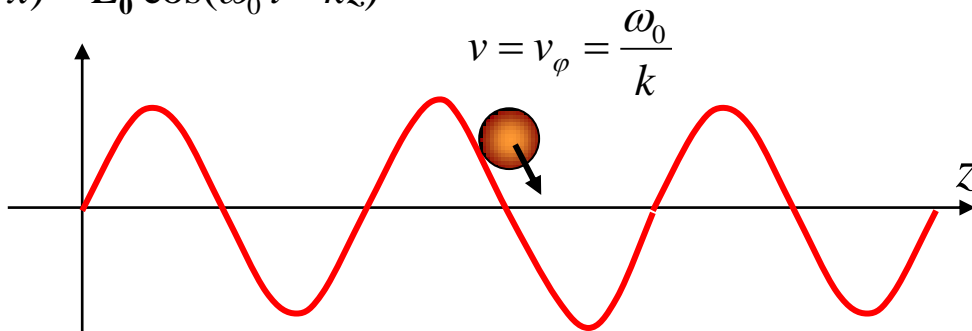
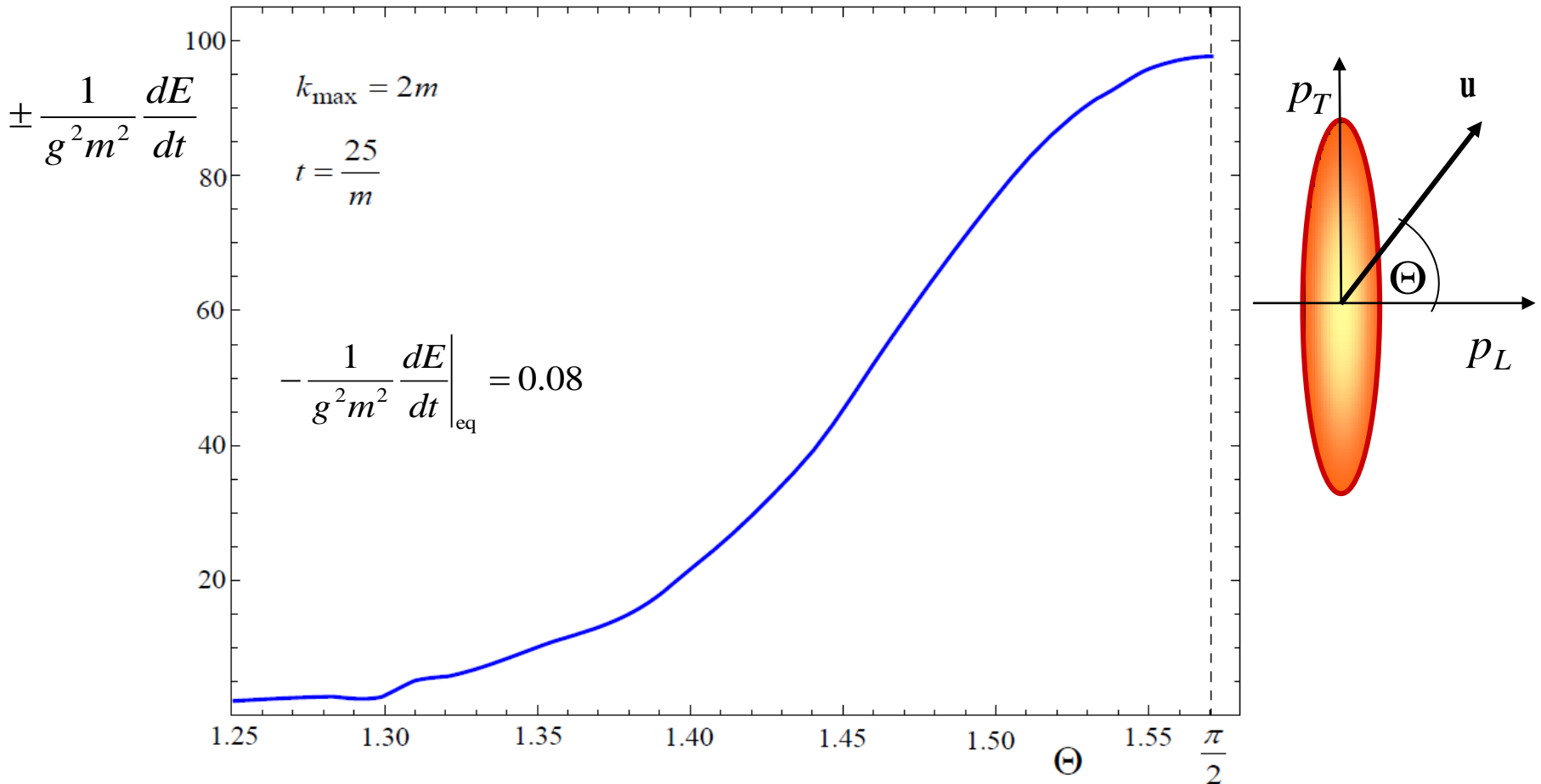


Table-top high-energy  
accelerator!

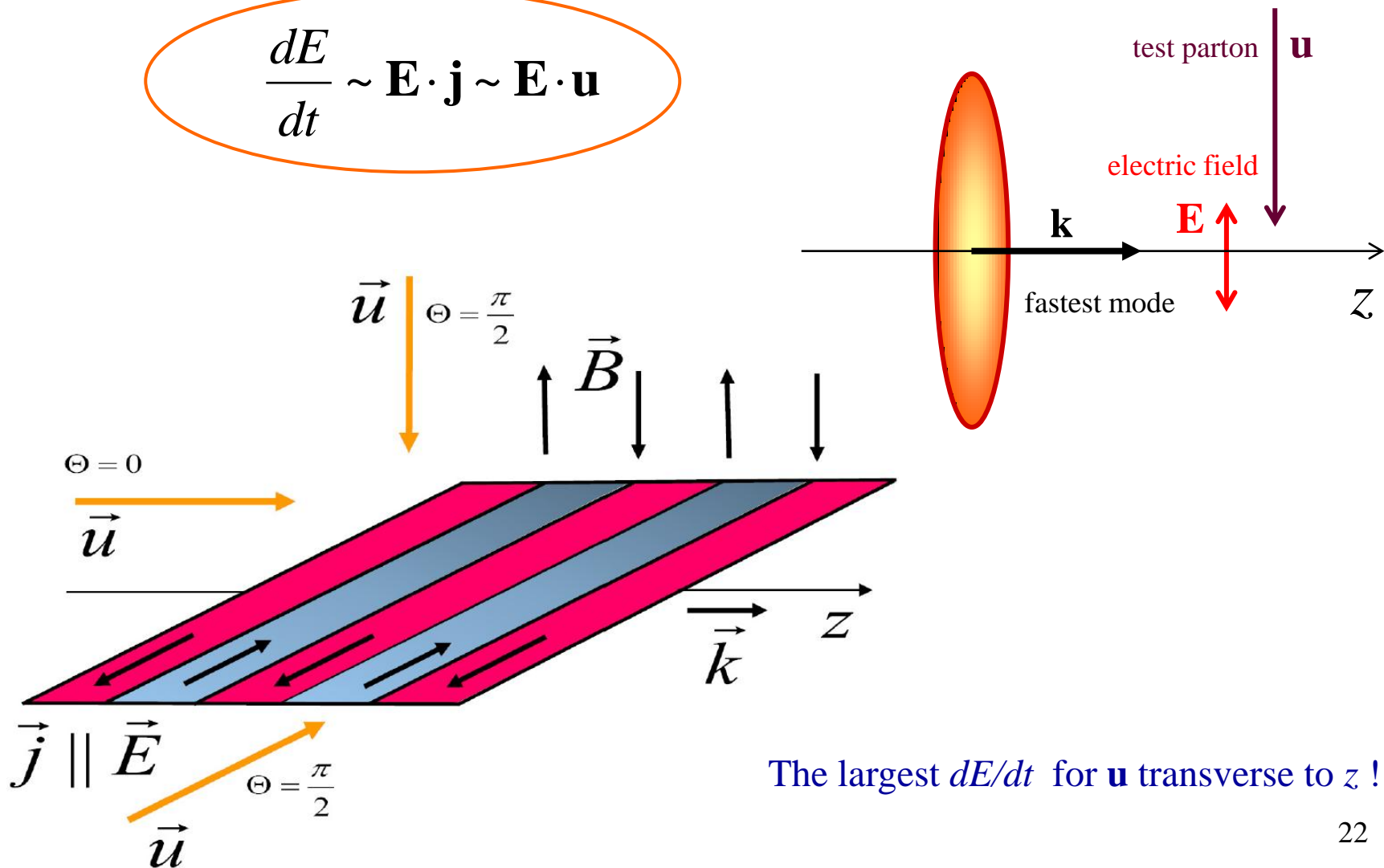
# Collisional energy loss in extremely oblate QGP

Angular dependence



# Angular dependence

$$\frac{dE}{dt} \sim \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{j} \sim \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{u}$$



The largest  $dE/dt$  for  $\mathbf{u}$  transverse to  $z$  !

# Momentum broadening

$$\hat{q}(t) = g^2 \frac{C_R}{N_c^2 - 1} \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^t dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 \left[ \langle E_a^i(t_1, \mathbf{r}_1) E_a^i(t_2, \mathbf{r}_2) \rangle + \langle E_a^i(t_1, \mathbf{r}_1) B_a^i(t_2, \mathbf{r}_2) \rangle + \dots \right]$$

$$\mathbf{r}_i \equiv \mathbf{r}_0 + \mathbf{u} t_i, \quad i = 1, 2$$

Solution of the Maxwell equations

$$\blacktriangleright \quad E_a^i(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = -i(\Sigma^{-1})^{ij}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) [\omega \mathbf{j}_a^j(\omega, \mathbf{k}) + \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{B}_a^0(\mathbf{k}) - \omega \mathbf{D}_a^0(\mathbf{k})]^j$$

Solution of the Vlasov equation

$$\blacktriangleright \quad \mathbf{j}_a(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = g \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{v}} \delta N_a^0(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{p})$$

Solution of the 3rd Maxwell equation

$$\blacktriangleright \quad \mathbf{B}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{\omega} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) + \frac{i}{\omega} \mathbf{B}_0(\mathbf{k})$$

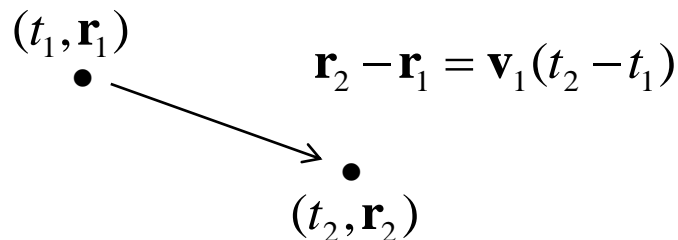
# Initial condition

All correlators of initial values such as

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \delta N_a^0(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{p}_1) \delta N_a^0(\mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{p}_2) \rangle, \langle \delta N_a^0(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{p}_1) E_b^0(\mathbf{r}_2) \rangle, \\ & \langle \delta N_a^0(\mathbf{r}_1) E_b^0(\mathbf{r}_2) \rangle, \langle \delta N_a^0(\mathbf{r}_1) E_b^0(\mathbf{r}_2) \rangle, \langle E_a^0(\mathbf{r}_1) E_b^0(\mathbf{r}_2) \rangle, \\ & \langle E_a^0(\mathbf{r}_1) B_b^0(\mathbf{r}_2) \rangle, \langle B_a^0(\mathbf{r}_1) E_b^0(\mathbf{r}_2) \rangle, \dots \end{aligned}$$

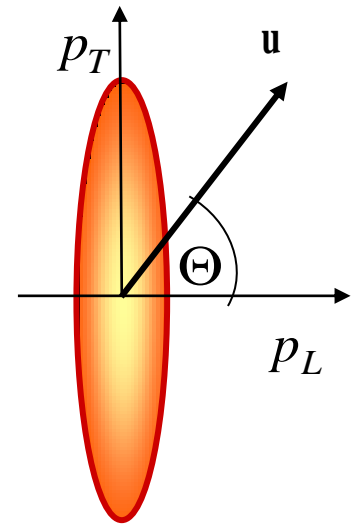
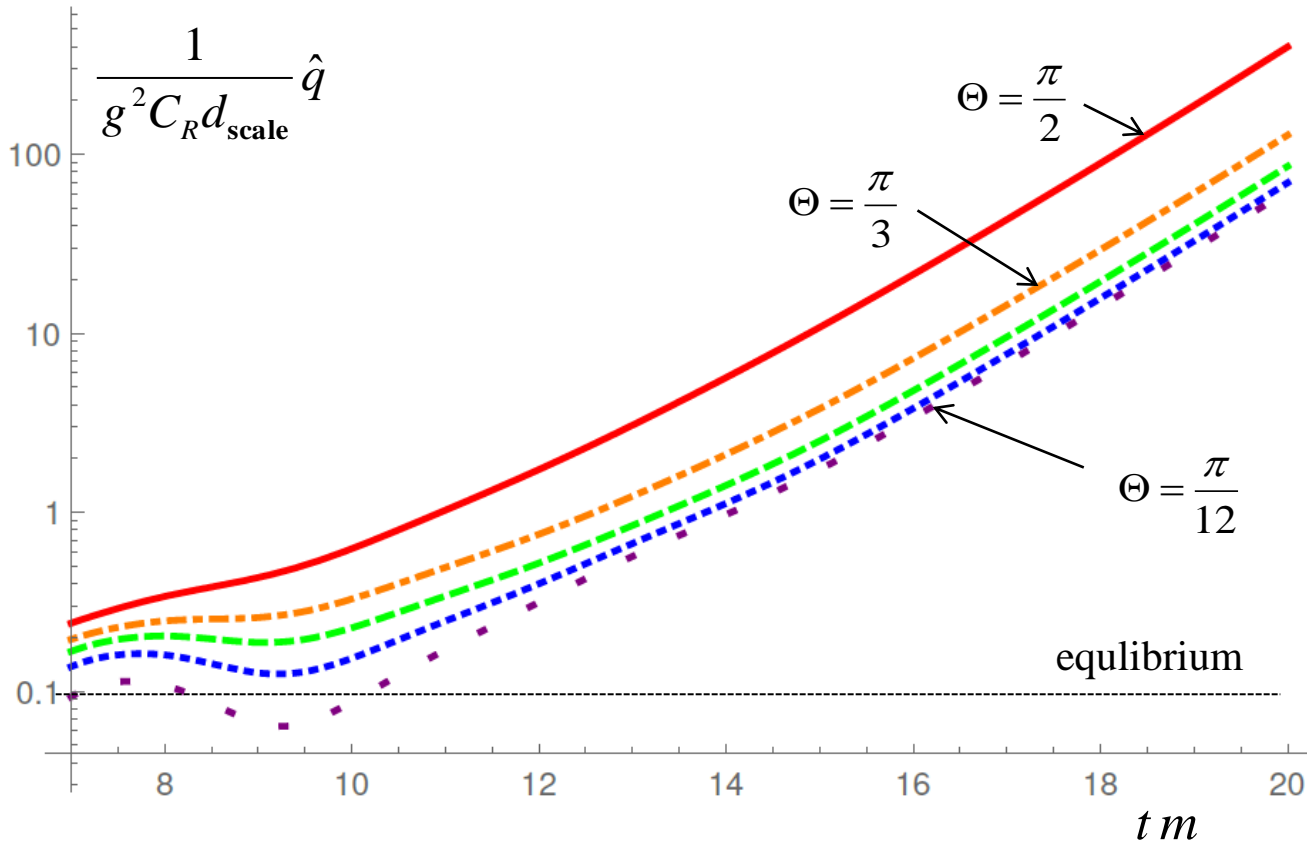
are computed with the correlation function of free particles

$$\langle \delta N_a(t_1, \mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{p}_1) \delta N_b(t_2, \mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{p}_2) \rangle = \delta^{ab} \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2) \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{v}_1(t_1 - t_2)) f(\mathbf{p})$$





# Momentum broadening in extremely oblate QGP



$$\hat{q}^{\text{eq}} = 0.11 g^2 C_R d_{\text{scale}}$$

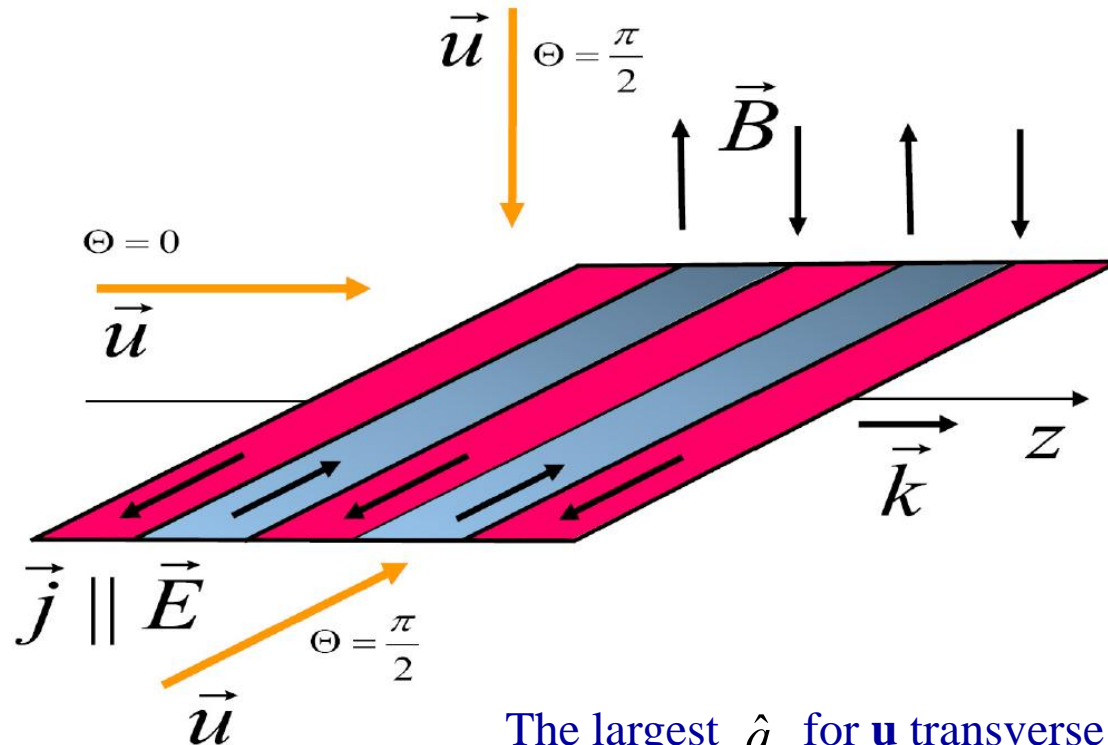
$$d_{\text{scale}} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \langle p_T \rangle m^2$$

$$k_{\text{max}} = 2m$$

# Angular dependence

$$\hat{q} \sim \langle \mathbf{F}^2 - (\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{u})^2 \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B}$$



The largest  $\hat{q}$  for  $\mathbf{u}$  transverse to  $z$  !

# Conclusions

- ▶  $dE/dt$  crucially depends on initial conditions;
- ▶  $dE/dt > 0$  &  $dE/dx < 0$ ;
- ▶  $dE/dt$  strongly varies with time and direction;
- ▶  $|dE/dt|$  can be much bigger than in equilibrium QGP;
- ▶  $\hat{q}$  varies with time and direction;
- ▶  $\hat{q}$  can be much bigger than in equilibrium QGP;