

Soft-quark bremsstrahlung and energy losses of high-energy partons in a hot quark-gluon plasma

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The purpose of this work is to develop unified approach to the description of the processes of nonlinear interactions of soft Fermi- and Bose-excitations of a quark-gluon plasma with hard thermal or external color-charged partons with integer (gluon) and half-odd-integer (quark and antiquark) spins. For the sake of simplification, we consider the QGP in the weak coupling limit, confined in unbounded volume and all hard quark excitations will be thought massless.

Our approach is based on the complete system of **dynamical equations derived by J.-P. Blaizot and E. Iancu**. The equations entirely describe the dynamics of soft bose- and fermi-excitations of hot QCD-medium at the soft momentum scale and contain in the right-hand sides either color currents or color Grassmann-valued sources induced by both the medium and hard test color particles. We have supplemented the Blaizot-Iancu equations by the **generalized Wong equation** describing a change of the classical color charge $Q = (Q^a)$, $a = 1, \dots, N_c^2 - 1$ of a hard particle and also by the generalized dynamical equations for the Grassmann color charges $\theta = (\theta^i)$ and $\theta^\dagger = (\theta^{\dagger i})$, $i = 1, \dots, N_c$. The latter equations enable us within the semiclassical approximation to describe completely the dynamics of spin-1/2 hard particles moving in external non-Abelian bosonic and fermionic fields.

We apply the current approach to study of the propagating a high energy parton through the hot QCD-medium and of energy losses associated with this motion. We show that the account of an existence in the medium of soft excitations obeying Fermi statistics results in appearance of new channels for energy losses. Further, we write out complete explicit expressions determining the energy losses to the first orders in interaction with soft stochastic fields of the plasma. As a special case we have obtained the expressions for so-called *polarization losses caused by large distance 'inelastic' collisions* under which a type of initial hard parton changes. This expression supplements the well-known expression for the polarization losses caused by large distance 'elastic' scattering.

We have offered the notion of *bremstrahlung of soft quarks* on equal terms with the commonly accepted that of *bremstrahlung of soft gluons*. This has made it possible to achieve unified terminological unification for the radiative processes in QGP with hard and soft excitations of different statistics. Terminology of this type have been already used by B. Vanderheyden and J.-Y. Ollitrault (1997) in analysis of contributions of soft fermion sector of medium excitations to the damping rate of one-particle plasma excitations.

Soft-quark – hard-particle scattering. *Soft-field equations of motion*

First of all we will consider the scattering processes of soft (anti)quark excitations off hard thermal particles in a hot QCD-medium.

Equations of motion for soft gluon A_μ^a and soft quark $\psi_\beta^i(q), \bar{\psi}_\beta^i(q)$ excitations are generalized to a case of presence in the system of a color current and source generated by a spin-1/2 hard test particle propagating through the hot QCD-medium:

$$\begin{aligned} {}^*D_{\mu\nu}^{-1}(k)A^{\nu\alpha}(k) = & -j_\mu^{A(2)\alpha}(A, A)(k) - j_\mu^{A(3)\alpha}(A, A, A)(k) - j_\mu^{\Psi(0,2)\alpha}(\bar{\psi}, \psi)(k) \\ & - j_\mu^{\Psi(1,2)\alpha}(A, \bar{\psi}, \psi)(k) - j_{Q\mu}^{(0)\alpha}(k) - j_{Q\mu}^{(1)\alpha}(A)(k) - j_{Q\mu}^{(2)\alpha}(A, A)(k), \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} {}^*S_{\alpha\beta}^{-1}(q)\psi_\beta^i(q) = & -\eta_\alpha^{(1,1)i}(A, \psi)(q) - \eta_\alpha^{(2,1)i}(A, A, \psi)(q) - \\ & -\eta_{\theta\alpha}^{(0)i}(q) - \eta_{\theta\alpha}^{(1)i}(A)(q) - \eta_{\theta\alpha}^{(2)i}(A, A)(q). \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$j_Q^{a\mu}(x) = gv^\mu Q^a(t)\delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{v}t)$ is the usual **color current** of a point particle and $\eta_{\theta\alpha}^i(x) = g\{\chi_\alpha\theta^i(t) - (C_F/2T_F)\chi_\alpha Q^a(t)(t^a)^{ij}\theta^j(t)\}\delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{v}t)$ is the **Grassmann-valued color source**, where $v^\mu = (1, \mathbf{v})$ and χ_α is some constant spinor.

Evolution equations for color charges

The Grassmann color charge $\theta^i(t)$ obeys the following equation, **linearly** depending on the background fermion field:

$$\frac{d\theta^i(t)}{dt} + igv^\mu A_\mu^a(t, \mathbf{vt})(t^a)^{ij}\theta^j(t) + ig(\bar{\chi}_\alpha\psi_\alpha^i(t, \mathbf{vt})) \quad (3)$$

$$- ig\left(\frac{C_F}{2T_F}\right)Q^a(t)(t^a)^{ij}(\bar{\chi}_\alpha\psi_\alpha^j(t, \mathbf{vt}))$$

$$- ig\left(\frac{C_F}{2T_F}\right)(t^a)^{ij}\theta^j(t)\left\{\theta^{\dagger l}(t)(t^a)^{lk}(\bar{\chi}_\alpha\psi_\alpha^k(t, \mathbf{vt})) + (\bar{\psi}_\alpha^k(t, \mathbf{vt})\chi_\alpha)(t^a)^{kl}\theta^l(t)\right\} = 0$$

with the initial condition $\theta^i(t)|_{t=t_0} = \theta_0^i$. A similar equation is valid for the usual color charge $Q^a(t)$ (the **generalized Wong equation**).

The medium-induced currents $j_\mu^{A(2)a}$, $j_\mu^{\Psi(0,2)a}$, $j_\mu^{\Psi(1,2)a}$ and sources $\eta_\alpha^{(1,1)i}$, $\eta_\alpha^{(2,1)i}$ are chosen in the **hard thermal loop approximation**. For example,

$$j_\mu^{\Psi(0,2)a}(\bar{\psi}, \psi)(k) = g(t^a)^{ij} \int^* \Gamma_{\mu, \alpha\beta}^{(G)}(k; q_1, -q_2) \bar{\psi}_\alpha^i(-q_1) \psi_\beta^j(q_2) \times \\ \times \delta(k + q_1 - q_2) dq_1 dq_2,$$

where $\int^* \Gamma_{\mu, \alpha\beta}^{(G)}$ is the HTL-resummed vertex between quark pair and gluon.

The approximation scheme method

A system (1), (2), (3) can be solved by the **approximation scheme method**:

$$A_\mu^a(k) = A_\mu^{(0)a}(k) + \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} A_\mu^{(s)a}(k), \quad \psi_\alpha^i(q) = \psi_\alpha^{(0)i}(q) + \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} \psi_\alpha^{(s)i}(q), \quad (4)$$

where $A_\mu^{(0)a}(k)$ and $\psi_\alpha^{(0)i}(q)$ are free-field solutions, and $A_\mu^{(s)a}(k)$ and $\psi_\alpha^{(s)i}(q)$ are contributions of g^s order. We have suggested an approach allowing practically completely to automate procedure of the calculation of effective amplitudes for any values $s = 1, 2, 3, \dots$.

A solution of the system can be also presented in the following form:

$$A_\mu^a(k) = A_\mu^{(0)a}(k) - {}^*D_{\mu\nu}(k) j_Q^{(0)av}(k) - {}^*D_{\mu\nu}(k) \tilde{j}^{av}[A^{(0)}, \bar{\psi}^{(0)}, \psi^{(0)}, Q_0, \theta_0^\dagger, \theta_0](k),$$
$$\psi_\alpha^i(q) = \psi_\alpha^{(0)i}(q) - {}^*S_{\alpha\beta}(q) \eta_{\theta\beta}^{(0)i}(q) - {}^*S_{\alpha\beta}(q) \tilde{\eta}_\beta^i[A^{(0)}, \psi^{(0)}, Q_0, \theta_0](q),$$

where $\tilde{j}^{av}[A^{(0)}, \bar{\psi}^{(0)}, \psi^{(0)}, Q_0, \theta_0^\dagger, \theta_0](k)$ and $\tilde{\eta}_\beta^i[A^{(0)}, \psi^{(0)}, Q_0, \theta_0](q)$ are some **effective current and source**, which in turn are functionals of the free fields $A_\mu^{(0)a}$, $\psi_\alpha^{(0)i}$ and $\bar{\psi}_\alpha^{(0)i}$ (and initial color charges Q_0^a , $\theta_0^{\dagger i}$ and θ_0^i).

The lowest order effective sources

There exist two effective sources of the lowest order in the coupling constant:

$$\tilde{\eta}_{\alpha}^{(1)i}[\psi^{(0)}, Q_0](q) = \frac{g^2}{(2\pi)^3} (t^a)^{ii_1} Q_0^a \int K_{\alpha\alpha_1}^{(Q)}(\chi, \bar{\chi} | q, -q_1) \psi_{\alpha_1}^{(0)i_1}(q_1) \delta(v \cdot (q - q_1)) dq_1,$$

where the integrand is

$$K_{\alpha\alpha_1}^{(Q)}(\chi, \bar{\chi} | q, -q_1) \equiv \alpha \frac{\chi_{\alpha} \bar{\chi}_{\alpha_1}}{v \cdot q_1} - {}^* \Gamma_{\alpha\alpha_1}^{(Q)\mu}(q - q_1; q_1, -q) {}^* \mathcal{D}_{\mu\nu}(q - q_1) v^{\nu},$$

and

$$\tilde{\eta}_{\alpha}^{(1)i}[A^{(0)}, \theta_0](q) = \frac{g^2}{(2\pi)^3} (t^a)^{ij} \theta_0^j \int K_{\alpha}^{(Q)\mu}(\mathbf{v}, \chi | k, -q) A_{\mu}^{(0)a}(k) \delta(v \cdot (k - q)) dk, \quad (5)$$

where, in turn

$$K_{\alpha}^{(Q)\mu}(\mathbf{v}, \chi | k, -q) \equiv \frac{v^{\mu} \chi_{\alpha}}{v \cdot q} - {}^* \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{(Q)\mu}(k; q - k, -q) {}^* S_{\beta\beta'}(q - k) \chi_{\beta'}.$$

The lowest order scattering processes

Effective source (5) generates the most simple process of inelastic scattering of soft quark excitation off hard test particle bringing into change of statistics of hard and soft modes, as it is depicted in Fig. 1.

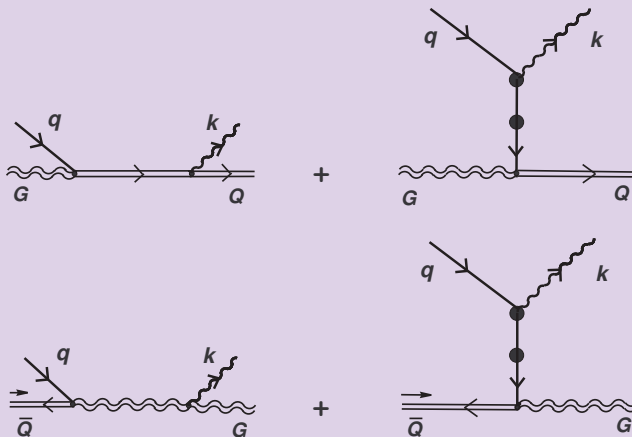


Fig. 1. The lowest order scattering process of soft fermion excitations off the hard test particles with a change of statistics of hard and soft excitation. The blob stands for the HTL resummation, and the double lines denote hard particles.

Radiation power

We have proposed the most general expression for the **radiation power** taking into account an existence of soft fermion excitations in QGP:

$$\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{B}} + \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}}, \quad (6)$$

where '**bosonic**' (\mathcal{B}) and '**fermionic**' (\mathcal{F}) contributions into the power of radiation are, respectively,

$$\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{B}} = \lim_{\tau, V \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\tau V} \int_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} \int_V d\mathbf{x} dt \left\{ \langle \mathbf{E}^a(\mathbf{x}, t) \cdot \mathbf{j}^{Aa}(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle + \langle \mathbf{E}^a(\mathbf{x}, t) \cdot \mathbf{j}^{\Psi a}(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle \right\}, \quad (7)$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{F}} = -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{\tau, V \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\tau V} \int_{-\tau/2}^{\tau/2} \int_V d\mathbf{x} dt \left\{ \langle (\bar{\psi}_\alpha(\mathbf{x}, t) \overleftarrow{D}_0^\dagger)^i \eta_\alpha^i(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle + \langle \bar{\eta}_\alpha^i(\mathbf{x}, t) (\overrightarrow{D}_0 \psi_\alpha(\mathbf{x}, t))^i \rangle \right\}, \quad (8)$$

where $D_0 \equiv \partial/\partial t + igA_0^a(\mathbf{x}, t)t^a$.

Energy losses of energetic parton

Then we have suggested the general formula defining energy losses of high-energy parton (quark or gluon) traversing the hot QCD medium induced by the scattering off soft-quark excitations. As a basic formula for **parton energy losses per unit length generated by the effective current** $\tilde{j}_\mu^a[A^{(0)}, \bar{\psi}^{(0)}, \psi^{(0)}, Q_0, \theta_0^\dagger, \theta_0](k)$ **and effective source** $\tilde{\eta}_\alpha^i[A^{(0)}, \psi^{(0)}, Q_0, \theta_0](q)$ we accepted the following expression:

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = \left(-\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_B + \left(-\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_F,$$

where pure '**fermionic**' part of energy loss is

$$\begin{aligned} \left(-\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_F &\equiv \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} \lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2\pi)^4}{\tau} \sum_{\lambda=\pm} \int dQ_0 \int d\theta_0^\dagger d\theta_0 \int q^0 dq^0 d\mathbf{q} \times \\ &\times \left\{ \text{Im}(*\Delta_+(q)) \langle |\bar{u}(\hat{\mathbf{q}}, \lambda) \tilde{\eta}^i[A^{(0)}, \psi^{(0)}, Q_0, \theta_0](q)|^2 \rangle + \right. \\ &\left. + \text{Im}(*\Delta_-(q)) \langle |\bar{v}(\hat{\mathbf{q}}, \lambda) \tilde{\eta}^i[A^{(0)}, \psi^{(0)}, Q_0, \theta_0](q)|^2 \rangle \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Inelastic polarization losses

The energy losses associated with initial source $\eta_{\theta\alpha}^{(0)i}(q) = g/(2\pi)^3 \chi_\alpha \theta_0^i \delta(v \cdot q)$ are defined by the following expression

$$\left(-\frac{dE}{dx}\right)_{\mathcal{F}} = \frac{1}{2E} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{v}|} \left(\frac{C_\theta \alpha_s}{2\pi^2}\right) \times \quad (9)$$

$$\times \int q^0 dq^0 d\mathbf{q} \left\{ (1 - \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{q}}) \text{Im}(*\Delta_+(q)) + (1 + \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{q}}) \text{Im}(*\Delta_-(q)) \right\} \delta(v \cdot q).$$

It is '*inelastic polarization losses*' decreasing with the parton energy E as $1/E$.

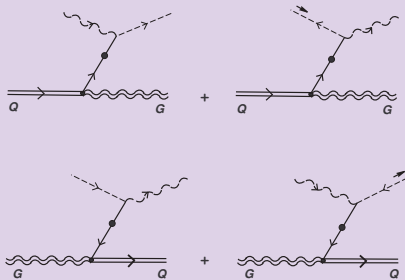


Fig. 2. Energy losses induced by long-distance collision processes wherein a change of a type of energetic parton takes place. The dotted lines denote thermal partons absorbing virtual soft-quark excitation.

The general approach to calculation of effective currents and sources generating bremsstrahlung of an arbitrary number of soft quarks and soft gluons at collision of a high-energy color-charged particle with thermal partons in a hot quark-gluon plasma, is developed.

We take, as the starting point, a system of field equations (1) and (2), the right-hand side of which contains the color current or source of a hard test particle. Further, the **color current or source of the second hard test particle** must be added to the right-hand side of these equations. So, for example, the Yang-Mills equation (1) takes the following form

$$\begin{aligned} *D_{\mu\nu}^{-1}(k)A^{a\nu}(k) &= -j_{\mu}^{A(2)a}(A, A) - j_{\mu}^{\Psi(0,2)a}(\bar{\psi}, \psi) - j_{\mu}^{\Psi(1,2)a}(A, \bar{\psi}, \psi) \\ &- \left\{ j_{Q_{1\mu}}^{(0)a}(k) + j_{Q_{1\mu}}^{(1)a}(A)(k) + j_{Q_{1\mu}}^{(2)a}(A, A)(k) + j_{\theta_{1\mu}}^{(1)a}(\bar{\psi}, \psi)(k) + \right. \\ &\left. + j_{\theta_{1\mu}}^{(2)a}(A, \bar{\psi}, \psi)(k) + j_{\Xi_{1\mu}}^{(2)a}(Q_{01}, \bar{\psi}, \psi)(k) + (1 \rightarrow 2) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The lowest order effective source is defined by derivation of the right-hand side of the Dirac field equation with respect to initial values of usual and Grassmann color charges Q_{01}^a and θ_{02}^i (or Q_{02}^a and θ_{01}^i):

$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{\eta}_\alpha^i(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2; \dots; \theta_{01}, \theta_{02}; Q_{01}, Q_{02}; \dots | q) \\ &= K_\alpha^{a,ij}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2; \dots | q) Q_{01}^a \theta_{02}^j + K_\alpha^{a,ij}(\mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1; \dots | q) Q_{02}^a \theta_{01}^j, \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where the coefficient function on the right-hand side is

$$K_\alpha^{a,ij}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2; \dots | q) = \frac{g^3}{(2\pi)^6} (t^a)^{ij} \times \quad (11)$$

$$\times \int \mathcal{K}_\alpha(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2; \chi_1, \chi_2 | q, -q_1) e^{-i(\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{q}_1) \cdot \mathbf{x}_{01}} e^{-i\mathbf{q}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_{02}} \delta(v_1 \cdot (q - q_1)) \delta(v_2 \cdot q_1) dq_1,$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{K}_\alpha(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2; \chi_1, \chi_2 | q, -q_1) = \\ &= -\alpha \frac{\chi_{1\alpha}}{v_1 \cdot q_1} [\bar{\chi}_1^* S(q_1) \chi_2] - \frac{\chi_{2\alpha}}{v_2 \cdot (q - q_1)} (v_{2\mu}^* \mathcal{D}_C^{\mu\nu}(q - q_1) v_{1\nu}) + \\ &+ v_{1\mu}^* \mathcal{D}_C^{\mu\nu}(q - q_1) \Gamma_{\nu, \alpha\beta}^{(Q)}(q - q_1; q_1, -q) S_{\beta\beta'}(q_1) \chi_{2\beta'}. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Soft-quark bremsstrahlung. Diagrammatic interpretation

In Fig. 3 diagrammatic interpretation of the first term on the right-hand side of the lowest order effective source (10) is presented.

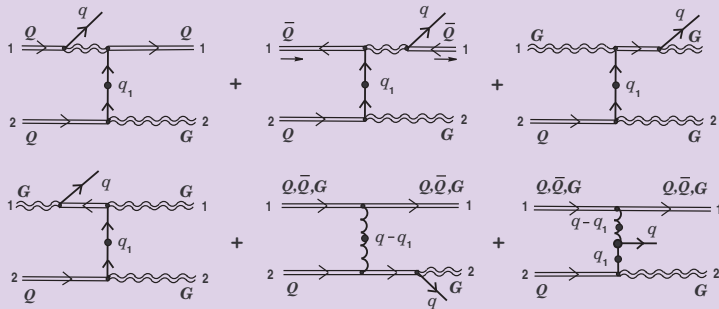


Fig. 3. The simplest process of bremsstrahlung of soft quark generated by effective Grassmann source (10). Here the first four diagrams are associated with the first term on the right-hand side of Eq. (12).

Because this contribution is proportional to usual color charge Q_{01}^a , the type of a hard parton 1 is the same as at the beginning of interaction so at the end (similar statement holds for contribution with charge Q_{02}^a).

Radiation intensity of bremsstrahlung of soft quark

As a formula for the radiation intensity of **bremsstrahlung of soft quark** we use the following expression:

$$\mathcal{I} = \sum_{\zeta = Q, \bar{Q}} \int \frac{d\mathbf{p}_2}{(2\pi)^3} [f_{\mathbf{p}_2}^{(\zeta)} + f_{\mathbf{p}_2}^{(G)}] \left(\int d\mathbf{b} W(\mathbf{b}; \zeta) |\mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2| \right) \equiv \left\langle \frac{dW(\mathbf{b})}{dt} \right\rangle_{\mathbf{b}}, \quad (13)$$

where \mathbf{b} is impact parameter and $W(\mathbf{b}; \zeta)$ is the energy of soft-quark radiation field

$$W(\mathbf{b}; \zeta) = -\frac{i(2\pi)^4}{2} \int d\mathbf{q} dq^0 q^0 \int dQ_{01} dQ_{02} \int d\theta_{01}^\dagger d\theta_{01} \int d\theta_{02}^\dagger d\theta_{02} \\ \times \langle \tilde{\eta}^i(-q; \mathbf{b}) \{ {}^*S(-q) + {}^*S(q) \} \tilde{\eta}^i(q; \mathbf{b}) \rangle.$$

In a static limit $\mathbf{v}_2 = 0$ the formula (13) coincides with an expression for energy loss: $\mathcal{I}|_{\mathbf{v}_2=0} = -dE_1/dt$, where E_1 is energy of a fast parton 1.

With allowance made for some approximations from the radiation intensity (13) and an explicit form of effective source (10)–(12), the expression for **energy losses** of high-energy parton 1 induced by bremsstrahlung of soft quark normal mode (+), is derived

$$\left(-\frac{dE_1}{dx}\right)^+ = -\frac{\alpha_s^3}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{C_F C_2^{(1)}}{d_A}\right) \left(\sum_{\zeta=Q, \bar{Q}} C_\theta^{(\zeta)} \int |\mathbf{p}_2| \left[f_{|\mathbf{p}_2|}^{(\zeta)} + f_{|\mathbf{p}_2|}^{(G)} \right] \frac{d|\mathbf{p}_2|}{2\pi^2} \right) \\ \times \int \frac{d\omega}{\omega} \int d\mathbf{q}_\perp \int d\mathbf{q}_{1\perp} \frac{1}{\left(\mathbf{q}_{1\perp}^2 + \omega_0^2\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\omega_0^2 \pi}{2}\right)^2} \frac{(\mathbf{q}_{1\perp} \cdot \mathbf{l}_\perp)^2 + 2(\mathbf{q}_{1\perp} \times \mathbf{l}_\perp)^2}{\left[(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{q}_1)_\perp^2 + m_g^2\right]^2}.$$

The distinguishing features of the expression obtained are its **logarithmic divergence** as $\omega \rightarrow 0$ and also **the absence of suppression factor** $1/E_1$, as is the case for the inelastic polarization losses Eq. (9).

Soft-gluon bremsstrahlung. *The lowest-order effective current*

is defined by derivation of the right-hand side of the Yang-Mills field equation with respect to initial values of Grassmann color charges $\theta_{01}^{\dagger i}$ and θ_{02}^i :

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{j}_{\mu}^a(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2; \dots; \theta_{01}, \theta_{02}; \theta_{01}^{\dagger}, \theta_{02}^{\dagger}, \dots | k) = & \quad (14) \\ = K_{\mu}^{a, ij}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2; \dots | k) \theta_{01}^{\dagger i} \theta_{02}^j + K_{\mu}^{a, ij}(\mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1; \dots | k) \theta_{02}^{\dagger i} \theta_{01}^j. \end{aligned}$$

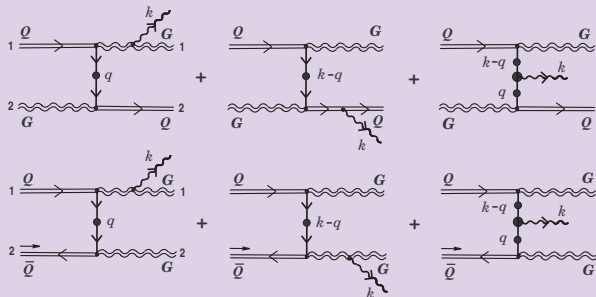


Fig. 4. The simplest process of bremsstrahlung of soft gluon generated by color effective current (14).

This effective current defines the process of soft-gluon bremsstrahlung with a change of statistics of all colliding hard particles, because it is proportional to the Grassmann color charges θ_{01} and θ_{02} .

As a formula for the radiation intensity of **bremsstrahlung of soft gluon** we use the following expression:

$$\mathcal{I} = \sum_{\zeta=Q, \bar{Q}, G} \int d\mathbf{b} \int f_{\mathbf{p}_2}^{(\zeta)} \frac{d\mathbf{p}_2}{(2\pi)^3} W(\mathbf{b}, \zeta) |\mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2| \equiv \left\langle \frac{dW(\mathbf{b})}{dt} \right\rangle_{\mathbf{b}}, \quad (15)$$

where now $W(\mathbf{b}, \zeta)$ is the energy of soft-gluon radiation field

$$W(\mathbf{b}, \zeta) = -(2\pi)^4 \int d\mathbf{k} d\omega \int dQ_{01} dQ_{02} \int d\theta_{01}^\dagger d\theta_{01} \int d\theta_{02}^\dagger d\theta_{02} \\ \times \omega \operatorname{Im} \langle \tilde{j}_\mu^{*a}(k, \mathbf{b}) {}^* \mathcal{D}_C^{\mu\nu}(k) \tilde{j}_\nu^a(k, \mathbf{b}) \rangle.$$

In a static limit $\mathbf{v}_2 = 0$ the formula (15) coincides with expression for energy loss $\mathcal{I}|_{\mathbf{v}_2=0} = -dE_1/dt$, where E_1 is energy of a fast parton 1.

With allowance made for some approximations from the radiation intensity (15) and an explicit form of effective current the expression for energy losses of high-energy parton 1 induced by bremsstrahlung of soft transverse gluon mode (t) **with a change of statistics of all colliding hard particles**, is derived

$$\left(-\frac{dE_1}{dx}\right)^t = -\frac{4}{E_1} \left(\frac{\alpha_s^3}{\pi^2}\right) \left(C_F \sum_{\zeta=Q, \bar{Q}} \left(\frac{C_\theta^{(1)} C_\theta^{(\zeta)}}{N_c}\right) \int |\mathbf{p}_2| \left[f_{\mathbf{p}_2}^{(\zeta)} + f_{\mathbf{p}_2}^{(G)}\right] \frac{d|\mathbf{p}_2|}{2\pi^2}\right) \\ \times \int \omega^2 d\omega \int d\mathbf{k}_\perp \int d\mathbf{q}_\perp \frac{\mathbf{q}_\perp^2}{\left(\mathbf{q}_\perp^2 + \omega_0^2\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\omega_0^2 \pi}{2}\right)^2} \frac{1}{\left[(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{k})_\perp^2 + m_q^2\right]^2}.$$

Unfortunately, this expression similarly to inelastic polarization losses includes the factor of suppression $1/E_1$.

We would like to mention a connection of our study with a research of the interaction processes of a jet with the surrounding medium at which the flavor of the jet, i.e. the flavor of the leading parton can change. Thus in the papers by W. Liu, R.J. Fries et al. (Phys. Rev. C, 2007, 2008) (see also S. Sapeta, U.A. Wiedemann (Eur. Phys. J. C, 2008)) it was shown that taking into account the **effects of conversions between quark and gluon jets** in traversing through the quark-gluon plasma is important along with the energy losses to explain some experimental observations. In our approach the processes of jet conversions in the QGP is already 'built into' the formalism a priori and they are its fundamental part.

In addition as opposed to the approach developed by W. Liu et al., in which the flavor charging processes were considered only via two-body scattering of the type $gq \rightarrow qq$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow gg$, ... and serve as addition to the processes of energy losses, our formalism enables to consider more complicated processes, where conversions of the jets are indissolubly related to radiative energy losses which are induced by soft quark bremsstrahlung. Perhaps such a type of interactions of a jet with the hot QCD medium can give appreciable contribution to the flavor dependent measurements of jet quenching observables and finally to the definitive **jet hadron chemistry**.

Higher order currents and sources

Our approach provides straightforward calculation of effective currents and sources generating bremsstrahlung of a soft gluon and a soft quark in the case of **interaction of three and more hard test color-charged partons**.

Also we have examined a question of **bremsstrahlung of two soft plasma excitations**: two soft gluons, soft gluon and soft quark, soft quark-antiquark pair and two soft quark at collision of two hard test particles.

For example, two effective sources

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\eta}_\alpha^i[\theta_{01}, \theta_{02}, \theta_{03}](q) &= K_\alpha^{ij,kl}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3; \chi_1, \chi_2, \chi_3; \mathbf{x}_{01}, \mathbf{x}_{02}, \mathbf{x}_{03} | q) \theta_{01}^{\dagger j} \theta_{02}^k \theta_{03}^l \\ &+ K_\alpha^{ij,kl}(\mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_3; \dots | q) \theta_{02}^{\dagger j} \theta_{01}^k \theta_{03}^l + K_\alpha^{ij,kl}(\mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1; \dots | q) \theta_{03}^{\dagger j} \theta_{02}^k \theta_{01}^l\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\eta}_\alpha^i[\theta_{01}, \theta_{02}, \bar{\psi}^{(0)}](q) \\ = \theta_{01}^k \theta_{02}^l \int \bar{\psi}_\beta^{(0)j}(-q_1) \tilde{K}_{\beta\alpha}^{ji,kl}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2; \chi_1, \chi_2; \mathbf{x}_{01}, \mathbf{x}_{02} | q, q_1) dq_1\end{aligned}$$

describe bremsstrahlung of soft quark in the case of interaction of three hard test particles and bremsstrahlung of two soft quarks, at collision of two hard test particles, respectively.

Three hard particles collision. *Diagrammatic interpretation*

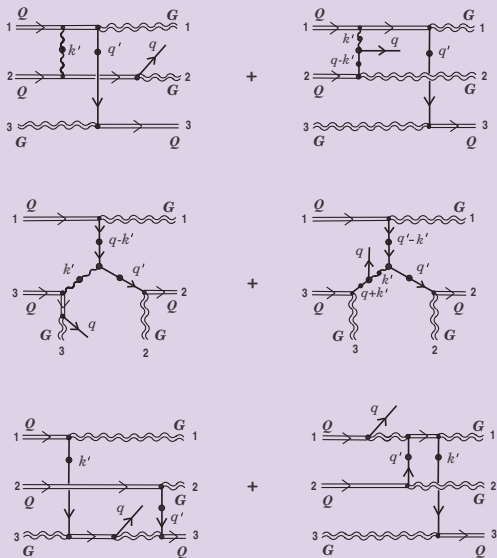


Fig. 5. Some of bremsstrahlung processes of soft quark for three hard partons collision when all of the hard particles change their statistics.

Bremsstrahlung of two soft quarks. *Diagrammatic interpretation*

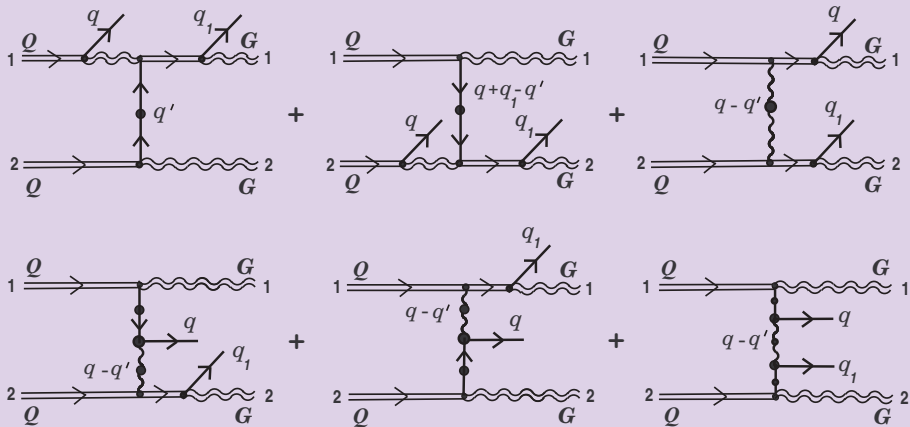


Fig. 6. Bremsstrahlung of two soft quarks. As initial hard partons here hard quarks have been chosen.

By virtue of the structure of the effective source, in this scattering process the statistics of both hard particles changes.

Off-diagonal contribution to quark radiation energy

We have investigated the most simple **off-diagonal contributions** to the quark radiation energy. These contributions are proportional to the sum of the type

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle \tilde{\eta}^{(0)i}(-q; \mathbf{b}) \{ {}^*S(-q) + {}^*S(q) \} \tilde{\eta}^{(2)i}(q; \mathbf{b}) \right\rangle + \\ & + \left\langle \tilde{\eta}^{(2)i}(-q; \mathbf{b}) \{ {}^*S(-q) + {}^*S(q) \} \tilde{\eta}^{(0)i}(q; \mathbf{b}) \right\rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

where

$$\tilde{\eta}_\alpha^{(0)i}(q; \mathbf{b}) = \frac{g}{(2\pi)^3} \theta_{01}^i \chi_{1\alpha} \delta(v_1 \cdot q) + \frac{g}{(2\pi)^3} \theta_{02}^i \chi_{2\alpha} \delta(v_2 \cdot q) e^{i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{b}}$$

is the initial “bare” color source and $\tilde{\eta}_\alpha^{(2)i}(q; \mathbf{b})$ is some effective source of the second order. It was shown that there exist two types of such sources that give nontrivial contribution to expression (16), one of which is

$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{\eta}_\alpha^{(2)i}(q; \mathbf{b}) = \\ & = \frac{1}{2!} \left\{ K_\alpha^{ab,ij}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2; \dots | q) Q_{01}^a Q_{01}^b \theta_{02}^j + K_\alpha^{ab,ij}(\mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_1; \dots | q) Q_{02}^a Q_{02}^b \theta_{01}^j \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Off-diagonal contribution to energy losses

We can present the expressions for off-diagonal contributions to energy losses as the sum of two parts, different in structure and physical meaning. Thus, for example, for effective source (17) within the static approximation we have

$$\left(-\frac{dE_1}{dx}\right)_{\text{off-diag.}} = \hat{\Lambda}_1 + \hat{\Lambda}_2.$$

The diagrammatic interpretation of the terms on the right-hand side is depicted in the figure below. It was shown that consideration of the function $\hat{\Lambda}_1$ is necessary to compensate singularities in the main ‘diagonal’ contribution when frequency and momentum of plasma excitations approach the “Cherenkov cone”:

$$\omega - \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{q} \rightarrow 0.$$

Further, it is shown that the function $\hat{\Lambda}_2$ can be interpreted as the **polarization losses** taking into account to the first approximation a change of the dispersion properties of the QCD medium induced by self-interaction of soft excitations.

Diagrammatic interpretation of contact double Born scattering terms

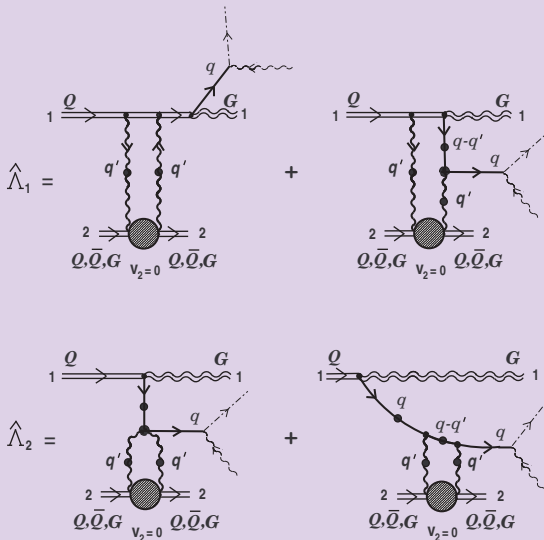


Fig. 7. The diagrammatic interpretation of the 'off-diagonal' contributions to soft-quark radiation energy losses.

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