

Formation of equation of state at
early stage of ultrarelativistic
heavy-ion collisions

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relativistic heavy ion collisions



early stage



relaxation of highly excited fields

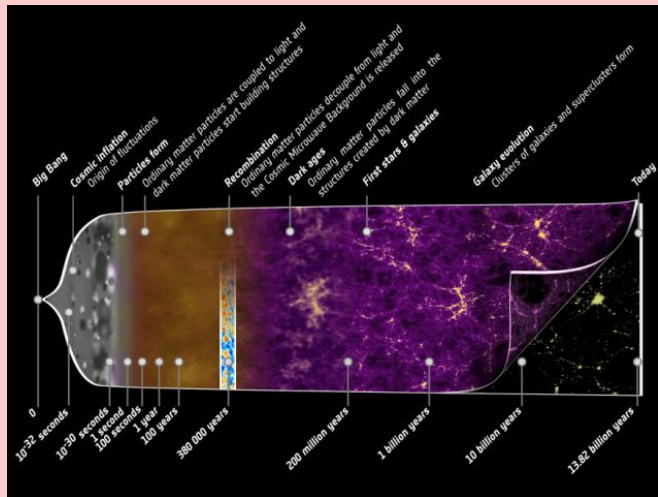


scalar field theory

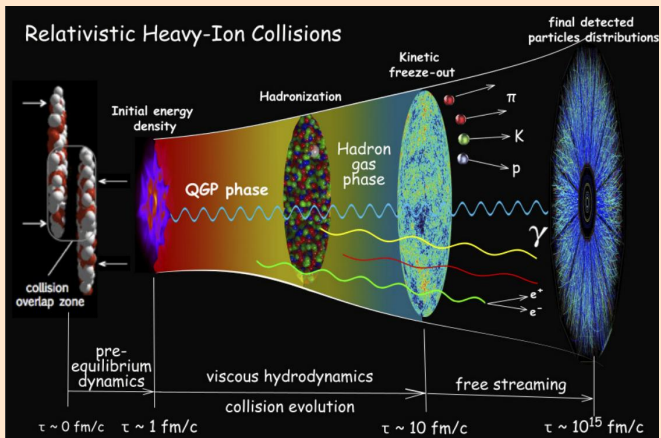


homogeneous scalar field

Big Bang



Little Bang



arxiv:1304.3634. Ulrich Heinz "Towards the Little Bang Standard Model"

Keldysh and S-matrix technique

S-matrix approach - The transition amplitude from "in" to "out" state

$$M = \langle \text{out} | \text{in} \rangle, \sigma \sim |M|^2$$

-Adiabatic switching of the interactions.

$$|\text{in}\rangle = \hat{U}(0, -\infty)|\text{in}\rangle_0, \quad |\text{out}\rangle = \hat{U}^\dagger(\infty, 0)|\text{out}\rangle_0$$

$$M = \langle \text{out} | \text{in} \rangle = {}_0\langle \text{out} | \hat{U}(\infty, -\infty) | \text{in} \rangle_0$$

- But S-matrix for a process $2 \rightarrow 100$???

Keldysh-Schwinger approach used to analyze the time evolution of the density matrix $\hat{\rho}(t) = \sum_i P_i |\psi_i(t)\rangle \langle \psi_i(t)|$

$$\hat{\rho}(t) = \hat{U}(t, t_0) \hat{\rho}(t_0) \hat{U}^\dagger(t, t_0)$$

Any observable is given by

$$\langle A(t) \rangle = \text{tr}(\hat{A} \hat{\rho}) = \text{tr}(\hat{U}^\dagger(t, t_0) \hat{A} \hat{U}(t, t_0) \hat{\rho}(t_0))$$

Quantum evolution: general case

- For evolution starting at $t = t_0$ and ending at $t = t_1$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle F(\hat{\varphi}) \rangle_{t_1} &= \text{tr}(F(\hat{\varphi})\hat{\rho}(t_1)) = \int d\xi F(\xi) \langle \xi | U(t_1, t_0) \hat{\rho}(t_0) \hat{U}(t_0, t_1) | \xi \rangle \\ &= \int d\xi \int d\xi_1 \int d\xi_2 F(\xi) \langle \xi | U(t_1, t_0) | \xi_1 \rangle \langle \xi_1 | \hat{\rho}(t_0) | \xi_2 \rangle \langle \xi_2 | \hat{U}(t_0, t_1) | \xi \rangle,\end{aligned}$$

with the matrix elements of the evolution operator

$$\langle \xi | \hat{U}(t_1, t_0) | \xi_1 \rangle = \int_{\eta_F(t_0)=\xi_1}^{\eta_F(t_1)=\xi} \mathcal{D}\eta_F(t) e^{iS[\eta_F]}$$

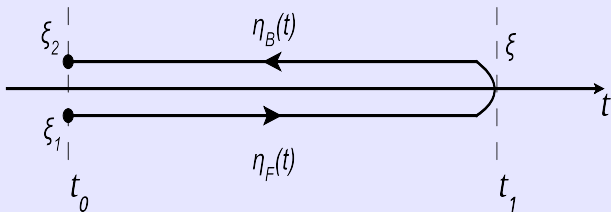
$$\langle \xi_2 | \hat{U}(t_0, t_1) | \xi \rangle = \int_{\eta_B(t_0)=\xi_2}^{\eta_B(t_1)=\xi} \mathcal{D}\eta_B(t) e^{-iS[\eta_B]}$$

Quantum evolution: general case

$$\langle F(\hat{\varphi}) \rangle_{t_1} = \int d\xi \int d\xi_1 \int d\xi_2 \langle \xi_1 | \hat{\rho}(t_0) | \xi_2 \rangle \times \\ \times F(\xi) \int_{\eta_F(t_0)=\xi_1}^{\eta_F(t_1)=\xi} \mathcal{D}\eta_F \int_{\eta_B(t_0)=\xi_2}^{\eta_B(t_1)=\xi} \mathcal{D}\eta_B e^{iS_K[\eta]},$$

$$S_K[\eta] = S[\eta_F] - S[\eta_B]$$

- The fields η_F and η_B live on the Keldysh contour:



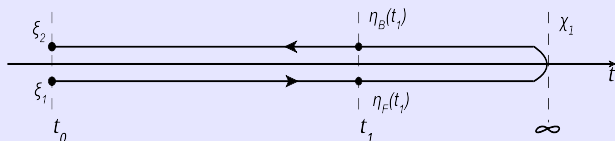
Quantum evolution: general case

- ▶ It is convenient to extend time $t = \infty$

$$\langle F(\hat{\varphi}) \rangle_{t_1} = \int d\chi_1 \int d\xi_1 \int d\xi_2 \langle \xi_1 | \hat{\rho}(t_0) | \xi_2 \rangle$$
$$\times \int_{\eta_F(t_0)=\xi_1}^{\eta_F(\infty)=\chi_1} \mathcal{D}\eta_F \int_{\eta_B(t_0)=\xi_2}^{\eta_B(\infty)=\chi_1} \mathcal{D}\eta_B F\left(\frac{\eta_F(t_1) + \eta_B(t_1)}{2}\right) e^{iS_K[\eta]}$$

Only observable F depends on observation time t_1

- ▶ The fields η_F and η_B now live on the extended Keldysh contour:



Quantum evolution: general case

Keldysh rotation:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_c &= \frac{\eta_F + \eta_B}{2}, & \phi_q &= \eta_F - \eta_B \\ \phi_c(t_0) &= \frac{\xi_1 + \xi_2}{2}, & \phi_c(\infty) &= \chi_1 \\ \phi_q(t_0) &= \xi_1 - \xi_2, & \phi_q(\infty) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle F(\hat{\varphi}) \rangle_{t_1} &= \int d\chi_1 \int d\xi_1 \int d\xi_2 \langle \xi_1 | \hat{\rho}(t_0) | \xi_2 \rangle \\ &\times \int_{\phi_c(t_0)=\frac{\xi_1+\xi_2}{2}}^{\phi_c(\infty)=\chi_1} \mathcal{D}\phi_c \int_{\phi_q(t_0)=\xi_1-\xi_2}^{\phi_q(\infty)=0} \mathcal{D}\phi_q F(\phi_c(t_1)) e^{iS_K[\phi_c, \phi_q]}\end{aligned}$$

Quantum evolution: general case

Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\varphi)^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4!}\varphi^4 - J\varphi$$

Keldysh action:

$$S_K[\phi_c, \phi_q] = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} dt [\dot{\phi}_c \dot{\phi}_q - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi_c \phi_q^3 - \frac{\lambda}{6} \phi_c^3 \phi_q - J\phi_q] =$$
$$\dot{\phi}_c(t_0)(\xi_1 - \xi_2) - \int_{t_0}^{\infty} dt (\phi_q [\ddot{\phi}_c + \frac{\lambda}{6} \phi_c^3 + J] - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi_c \phi_q^3)$$

$$\frac{1}{\hbar} S_K[\phi_c, \phi_q] = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} dt [\dot{\phi}_c \dot{\phi}_q - \hbar^2 \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi_c \phi_q^3 - \frac{\lambda}{6} \phi_c^3 \phi_q - J\phi_q]$$

$$\phi_q \rightarrow \hbar\phi_q$$

Quantum evolution: general case

Expansion in ϕ_q is a quasiclassical expansion (not in λ)

$$\langle F(\hat{\varphi}) \rangle_{t_1} = \int d\chi_1 \int d\xi_1 \int d\xi_2 \langle \xi_1 | \hat{\rho}(t_0) | \xi_2 \rangle$$

$$\times \int_{\phi_c(t_0) = \frac{\xi_1 + \xi_2}{2}}^{\phi_c(\infty) = \chi_1} \mathcal{D}\phi_c F[\phi_c(t_1)] e^{i\dot{\phi}_c(t_0)(\xi_1 - \xi_2)}$$

$$\times \int_{\phi_q(t_0) = \xi_1 - \xi_2}^{\phi_q(\infty) = 0} \mathcal{D}\phi_q e^{-i \int_{t_0}^{\infty} dt (\phi_q \mathbf{A}[\phi_c] - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi_c \phi_q^3)} =$$

$$\int_{\phi_c(t_0) = \frac{\xi_1 + \xi_2}{2}}^{\phi_c(\infty) = \chi_1} \mathcal{D}\phi_c F[\phi_c(t_1)] \int \frac{d\tilde{p}}{2\pi} e^{i\tilde{p}(\xi_1 - \xi_2)} \delta(\tilde{p} - \dot{\phi}_c(t_0)) \delta(\mathbf{A}[\phi_c])$$

$$e^{-i \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi_c \phi_q^3} \approx 1 - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi_c \phi_q^3$$

Quantum evolution at the leading order in ϕ_q

In the leading order in ϕ_q we have $F[\phi_c(t_1)] = F[\phi_c^0(t_1)]$ where ϕ_c^0 is solution of EoM. That

$$\langle F(\hat{\varphi}) \rangle_{t_1}^{LO} = \int \frac{d\tilde{p}}{2\pi} \int d\xi_1 \int d\xi_2 \langle \xi_1 | \hat{\rho}(t_0) | \xi_2 \rangle e^{i\tilde{p}(\xi_1 - \xi_2)} F[\phi_c^0(t_1)]$$

Defining $(\xi_1 + \xi_2)/2 = \alpha$ and $\xi_1 - \xi_2 = \beta$ one gets:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle F(\hat{\varphi}) \rangle_{t_1}^{LO} &= \int \frac{d\tilde{p}}{2\pi} \int d\alpha f_W(\alpha, \tilde{p}, t_0) F[\phi_c^0(t_1)] \\ f_W(\alpha, \tilde{p}, t_0) &= \int d\beta \langle \alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} | \hat{\rho}(t_0) | \alpha - \frac{\beta}{2} \rangle e^{i\tilde{p}\beta} \\ \phi_c^0(t_0) &= \alpha, \quad \dot{\phi}_c^0(t_0) = \tilde{p} \\ \ddot{\phi}_c^0 + \frac{\lambda}{6} (\phi_c^0)^3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Quantum evolution at the leading order in ϕ_q

For spatially inhomogeneous fields

$$\langle F(\hat{\phi}) \rangle_{t_1}^{LO} = \int D\tilde{p}(\mathbf{x}) \int D\alpha(\mathbf{x}) f_W[\alpha(\mathbf{x}), \tilde{p}(\mathbf{x}), t_0] F[\phi_c^0(t_1, \mathbf{x})],$$

where $D\phi(\mathbf{x})$ means the integration over 4-dimensional functions and symbol $D\phi(\mathbf{x})$ - over 3-dimensional ones and initial conditions

$$\square\phi_c^0 + \frac{\lambda}{6}(\phi_c^0)^3 = 0, \quad \phi_c^0(t_0, \mathbf{x}) = \alpha(\mathbf{x}), \quad \dot{\phi}_c^0(t_0, \mathbf{x}) = \tilde{p}(\mathbf{x}).$$

Numerical solution

Observables for consideration

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu \varphi \partial^\nu \varphi - g^{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{1}{2} \partial_\sigma \varphi \partial^\sigma \varphi - \frac{\lambda}{24} \varphi^4 \right).$$

Dynamical interrelation between energy and pressure
and possibility of reaching the "hydrodynamic" regime

$$\varepsilon = 3p \quad [\text{tr} T^{\mu\nu} = 0]$$

In the case of homogeneous field at the classical level

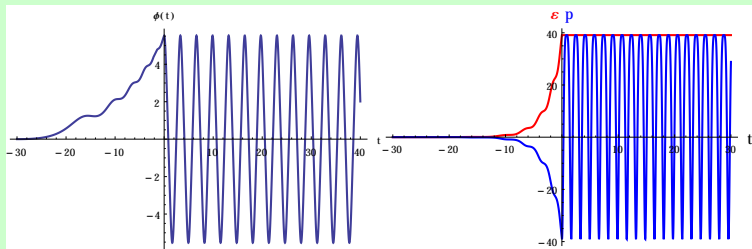
$$\varepsilon_0 = \frac{\dot{\varphi}^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda \varphi^4}{24}, \quad p_0 = \frac{\dot{\varphi}^2}{2} - \frac{\lambda \varphi^4}{24}$$

$$\varphi(t) = \phi_{\max} \text{cn} \left(\frac{1}{2}; \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} \phi_{\max} t + C \right)$$

Jacobi Elliptical functions

$$u = \int_0^\phi \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2(x)}}, \quad \cos(\phi) = \text{cn}(k^2, u), \quad T = 4K(k^2)$$

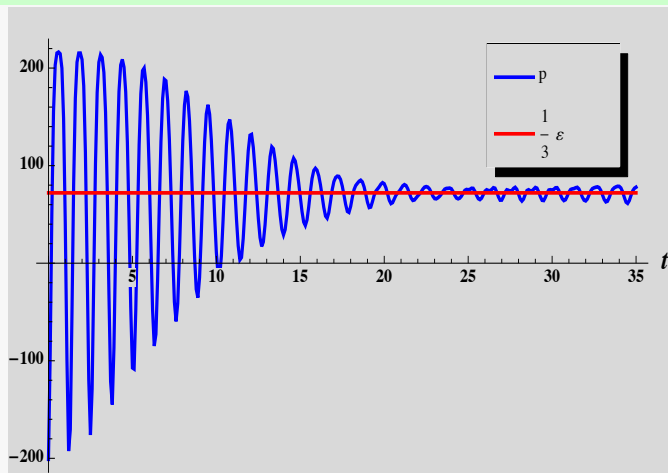
Classical evolution: field, energy and pressure



- ▶ Kevin Dusling (Brookhaven), Thomas Epelbaum, Francois Gelis (Saclay, SPhT), Raju Venugopalan (Brookhaven) [Nucl.Phys. A850 (2011) 69-109]
- ▶ only numerical
- ▶ nonregular derivation (only for $T^{\mu\nu}$ observables)
- ▶ without NLO

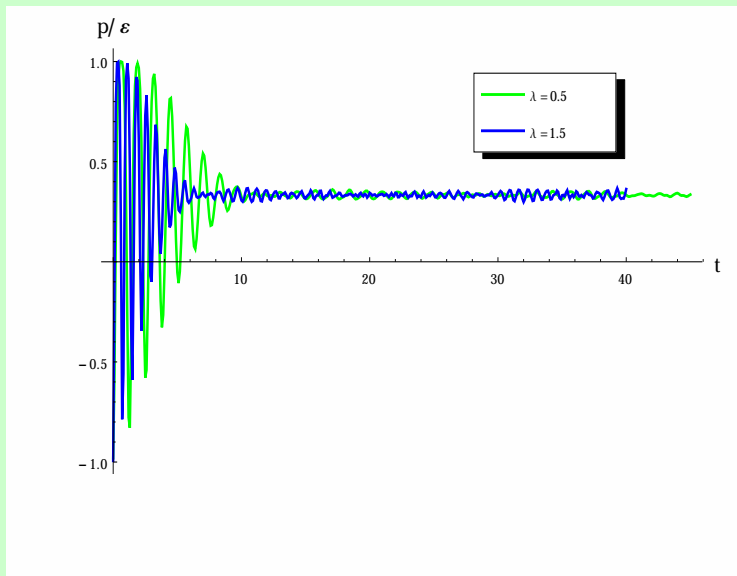
Quantum evolution at LO: pressure relaxation

Averaging over initial conditions with Gaussian Wigner function gives



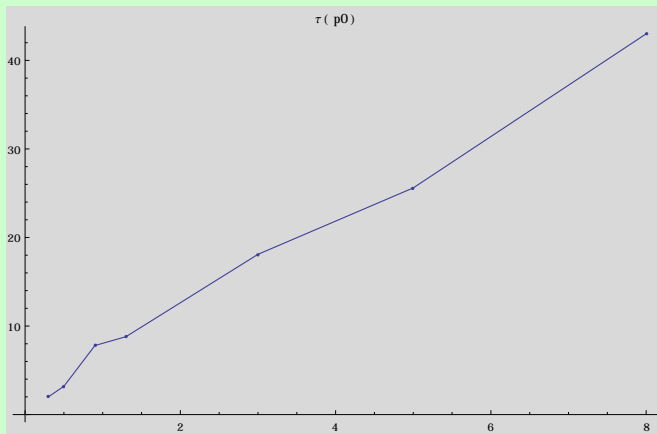
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Pressure relaxation as a function of coupling:



Quantum evolution at LO: pressure relaxation

- ▶ Let us define relaxation time τ as a time at which $\left| \frac{\varepsilon - 3p}{\varepsilon} \right| = 0.1$



- ▶ $\tau(p_0)$ is approximately linear in p_0 in agreement with analytical expression

Quantum evolution at LO: analytical solution

Ansatz for the Wigner function:

$$f_W(\alpha, p, 0) = \frac{1}{\alpha_0 p_0 \pi} e^{-\frac{(\alpha-A)^2}{\alpha_0^2} - \frac{p^2}{p_0^2}}$$

Change variables

$$\varphi(\mathbf{t}, \alpha, \tilde{p}) = \phi_{\max}(\alpha, \tilde{p}) \operatorname{cn} \left(\frac{1}{2}; \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} \phi_{\max}(\alpha, \tilde{p}) \mathbf{t} + \mathcal{C}(\alpha, \tilde{p}) \right)$$

$$\alpha = \phi(0) = \phi_{\max} \operatorname{cn}(1/2, \mathcal{C}),$$

$$p = \dot{\phi}(0) = -\sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} \phi_{\max}^2 \operatorname{sn}(1/2, \mathcal{C}) \operatorname{dn}(1/2, \mathcal{C})$$

$$\int \frac{d\tilde{p}}{2\pi} \int d\alpha \rightarrow \int |\mathcal{J}| d\phi_{\max} d\mathcal{C},$$

$$|\mathcal{J}| = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} \phi_{\max}^2.$$

Quantum evolution at LO: analytical solution

In the saddle point approximation

$$f_W(\phi_{\max}, C, 0) \approx \frac{1}{\alpha_0 p_0 \pi} e^{-\frac{(\phi_{\max} - A)^2}{\alpha_0^2} - \frac{C^2 A^4 \lambda}{6 p_0^2}} \quad (1)$$

valid for $\alpha_0 \ll A$ and $p_0 \ll A^2 \sqrt{\lambda/6}$, introducing a Fourier transform

$$\text{cn} \left(\frac{1}{2}; \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} \phi_{\max} t + C \right) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} u_k e^{\frac{2\pi i k}{T} \left(\sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} \phi_{\max} t + C \right)}, \quad (2)$$

$$u_m = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \text{cn} \left(\frac{1}{2}; t \right) e^{-i m t \frac{2\pi}{T}} dt,$$

one can receive for mean field

$$\langle \varphi_c \rangle_{LO} = 2A \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} u_k e^{-\frac{6\pi^2 p_0^2}{\lambda A^4 T^2} k^2} e^{-\frac{\alpha_0^2 \pi^2 \lambda}{6 T^2} k^2 t^2} \cos \left(\frac{2A\pi k}{T} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} t \right)$$

Quantum evolution at LO: analytical solution

In the same approximation the pressure reads

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{p_{LO}}{\varepsilon_{LO}} &= -8 \left(\frac{2\pi}{T} \right)^2 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} k l u_k u_l e^{-\frac{6\pi^2 p_0^2}{\lambda A^4 T^2} (k+l)^2} \\ &\times e^{-\frac{\alpha_0^2 \pi^2 \lambda}{6T^2} (k+l)^2 t^2} \cos \left(\frac{2\pi A (k+l)}{T} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} t \right) - 1 \\ \varepsilon_{LO} &= \frac{\lambda}{24} A^4 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Let us consider the large time limit $t \rightarrow \infty$ ($q = 0$).
Consider

$$\begin{aligned} I(q) &= - \left(\frac{2\pi}{T} \right)^2 \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} k(q-k) u_k u_{q-k} = \\ &\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \left(\frac{d \operatorname{cn} \left(\frac{1}{2}; t \right)}{dt} \right)^2 e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{T} q t}, \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Quantum evolution at LO: analytical solution

The corresponding sum can be calculated analytically, $l(0) = 1/3$, so that

$$p_{LO}(t \rightarrow \infty) = \varepsilon_{LO}(4l(0) - 1) = \frac{\varepsilon_{LO}}{3}.$$

The next step is $q = 2$, $l(q) \approx 0.12$

$$p_{LO}(t \rightarrow \infty) = \varepsilon_{LO} \left[\frac{1}{3} + 8l(2)e^{-\frac{24\pi^2 p_0^2}{\lambda A^4 T^2}} e^{-\frac{2\alpha_0^2 \pi^2 \lambda}{3T^2} t^2} \cos\left(\frac{4\pi A}{T} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} t\right) + \dots \right]$$

"Thermalization time" t_{th} can be estimated as

$$t_{th} \sim \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{T}{\pi \alpha_0 \sqrt{\lambda}}. \quad (5)$$

Quantum evolution at LO: analytical solution

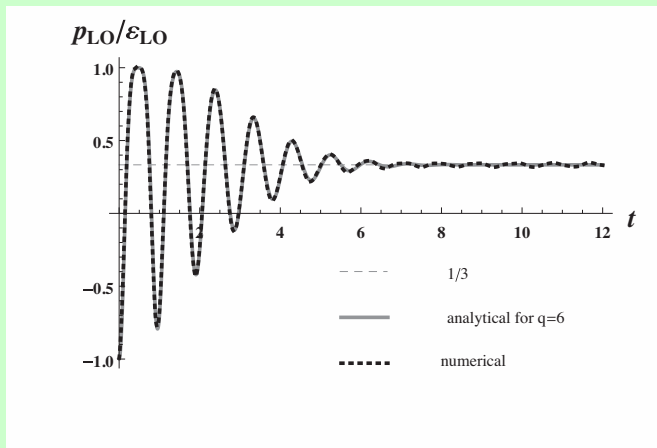


Figure : Pressure relaxation: comparison of numerical result an analytical expression with terms up to $q=6$ taken into account. The parameter values are $p_0 = 1.5\sqrt{2}$, $\alpha_0 = 1/p_0$, $A = 10$, $\lambda = 0.9$ ($l(4) \approx -0.04$, $l(6) \approx -0.006$)

Quantum evolution at NLO

$$e^{-i\frac{\lambda}{4!} \int_{t_0}^{\infty} dt' \phi_c \phi_q^3} \approx 1 - \frac{i\lambda}{4!} \int_{t_0}^{\infty} dt' \phi_c(t') \phi_q^3(t') + O(\phi_q^6) \quad (6)$$

Using procedure described above and relations

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta J(t)} e^{iS_K[\phi_c, \phi_q]} = i\phi_q(t) e^{iS_K[\phi_c, \phi_q]} \quad (7)$$

and

$$\frac{\delta\phi(t_1)}{\delta J(t')} = 0 \quad \text{if } t' \geq t_1, \quad (8)$$

which follows from causality, where ϕ is the solution of EoM with nonzero J

$$\ddot{\phi} + \frac{\lambda}{6}\phi^3 = J \quad (9)$$

Quantum evolution at NLO

One can obtain for NLO correction

$$\langle F(\hat{\phi}) \rangle_{t_1}^{NLO} = \int \frac{d\tilde{p}}{2\pi} \int d\alpha f_W(\alpha, \tilde{p}, t_0) \\ \times \left(F[\phi_c^0(t_1)] + \frac{\lambda}{4!} \int_{t_0}^{t_1} dt' \phi(t') \frac{\delta^3 F[\phi(t_1)]}{\delta J^3(t')} \Bigg|_{J=0} \right).$$

Where

$$\frac{\delta^3 F[\phi(t_1)]}{\delta J^3(t')} = \frac{dF}{d\phi} \Phi_3(t_1, t') + 3 \frac{d^2 F}{d\phi^2} \Phi_2(t_1, t') \Phi_1(t_1, t') \\ + \frac{d^3 F}{d\phi^3} \Phi_1(t_1, t')^3,$$

with

$$\frac{\delta \phi(t_1)}{\delta J(t')} = \Phi_1(t_1, t'), \quad \frac{\delta^2 \phi(t_1)}{\delta J^2(t')} = \Phi_2(t_1, t'), \quad \frac{\delta^3 \phi(t_1)}{\delta J^3(t')} = \Phi_3(t_1, t').$$

Quantum evolution at NLO

Variation of equation of motion gives

$$\frac{\delta^3}{\delta \mathcal{J}^3(t')} (\ddot{\phi} + \frac{\lambda}{6} \phi^3 + \mathcal{J})_{t_1} = 0$$
$$\hat{L}_t = \partial_t^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \phi^2(t)$$

evolution equations for field variations:

$$\hat{L}_{t_1} \Phi_1(t_1, t') = \delta(t_1 - t'),$$

$$\hat{L}_{t_1} \Phi_2(t_1, t') = -\lambda \phi(t_1) \Phi_1^2(t_1, t'),$$

$$\hat{L}_{t_1} \Phi_3(t_1, t') = -\lambda \Phi_1^3(t_1, t') - 3\lambda \phi(t_1) \Phi_1(t_1, t') \Phi_2(t_1, t').$$

Quantum evolution at NLO

2-point correlation functions in the Keldysh formalism:

$$\langle \phi_c(t_1) \phi_c(t_2) \rangle = \int \frac{d\tilde{p}}{2\pi} \int d\alpha f_W(\alpha, \tilde{p}, t_0) \phi(t_1) \phi(t_2),$$

$$\langle \phi_c(t_1) \phi_q(t_2) \rangle = -i \int \frac{d\tilde{p}}{2\pi} \int d\alpha f_W(\alpha, \tilde{p}, t_0) \frac{\delta\phi(t_1)}{\delta J(t_2)}$$

$$= -i \int \frac{d\tilde{p}}{2\pi} \int d\alpha f_W(\alpha, \tilde{p}, t_0) \Phi_1(t_1, t_2),$$

$$\langle \phi_q(t_1) \phi_q(t_2) \rangle = 0 \text{ by construction.}$$

In order to find $\Phi_1(t, t')$ one can note that

$$\partial_t [\ddot{\phi}_c^0(t) + \frac{\lambda}{6} (\phi_c^0(t))^3] = 0 \text{ gives}$$

$$[\partial_t^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} (\phi_c^0(t))^2] \dot{\phi}_c^0(t) = \hat{L}_t \dot{\phi}_c^0(t) = 0.$$

It means that $\dot{\phi}_c^0(t) \equiv f_1(t)$ is the first particular solution of equation on $\Phi_1(t, t')$ (or Green function $G(t, t')$)

Quantum evolution at NLO

$$\Phi_1(t, t') = G(t, t') = \theta(t - t') [f_1(t') f_2(t) - f_2(t') f_1(t)].$$

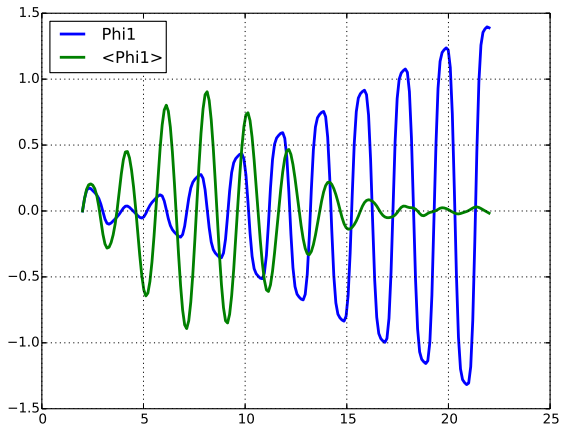
Or in other terms

$$\Phi_1(t, t') = \frac{6}{\lambda \phi_{\max}^4} [\dot{\phi}_c^0(t') \phi_c^0(t) - \dot{\phi}_c^0(t) \phi_c^0(t') + \dot{\phi}_c^0(t) \dot{\phi}_c^0(t') (t - t')] \theta(t - t')$$

$$\phi_c^0(t) = \phi_{\max} \operatorname{cn} \left(\frac{1}{2}; \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} \phi_{\max} t + C \right)$$

$$\dot{\phi}_c^0(t) = -\sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} \phi_{\max}^2 \operatorname{sn} \left(\frac{1}{2}; \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} \phi_{\max} t + C \right) \cdot \operatorname{dn} \left(\frac{1}{2}; \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{6}} \phi_{\max} t + C \right)$$

Quantum evolution at NLO



Let formulate once again the main results obtained:

1. The systematic procedure of computing quantum corrections in the framework of Keldysh formalism is described.
2. Analytical expressions for pressure relaxation in the scalar field model are presented.
3. Explicit equations for the next-to-leading order corrections are written down.