

Strongly interacting quantum fluids:

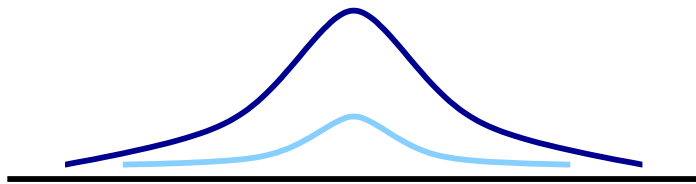
Transport theory

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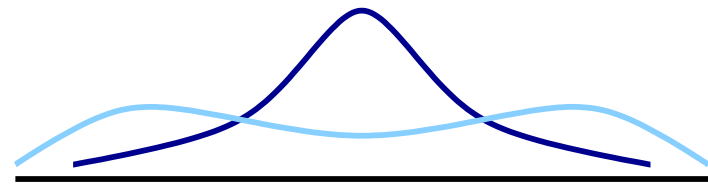
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Fluids: Gases, Liquids, Plasmas, ...

Hydrodynamics: Long-wavelength, low-frequency dynamics of conserved or spontaneously broken symmetry variables.



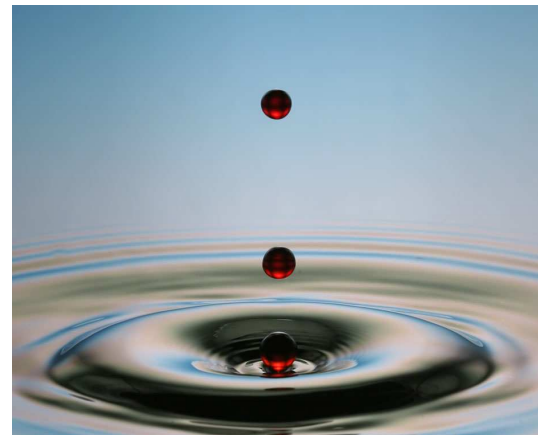
$$\tau \sim \tau_{micro}$$



$$\tau \sim \lambda$$

Historically: Water

$$(\rho, \epsilon, \vec{\pi})$$



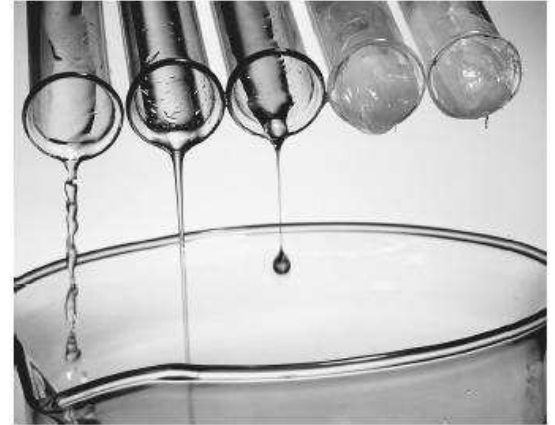
Simple non-relativistic fluid

Simple fluid: Conservation laws for mass, energy, momentum

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\rho \vec{v}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}^\epsilon = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho v_i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Pi_{ij} = 0$$



Constitutive relations: Energy momentum tensor

$$\Pi_{ij} = P\delta_{ij} + \rho v_i v_j + \eta \left(\partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij} \partial_k v_k \right) + O(\partial^2)$$

reactive

dissipative

2nd order

$$\text{Expansion } \Pi_{ij}^0 \gg \delta \Pi_{ij}^1 \gg \delta \Pi_{ij}^2$$

Regime of applicability

Expansion parameter $Re^{-1} = \frac{\eta(\partial v)}{\rho v^2} = \frac{\eta}{\rho L v} \ll 1$

$$Re = \underbrace{\frac{\hbar n}{\eta}}_{\text{fluid property}} \times \underbrace{\frac{m v L}{\hbar}}_{\text{flow property}}$$

Kinetic theory estimate: $\eta \sim n p l_{mfp}$

$$Re^{-1} = \frac{v}{c_s} Kn \quad Kn = \frac{l_{mfp}}{L}$$

expansion parameter $Kn \ll 1$

Relativistic hydrodynamics

Energy momentum tensor of an ideal fluid

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\epsilon + P)u^\mu u^\nu + P\eta^{\mu\nu},$$

Energy-momentum conservation: $\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$

$$\partial_\mu (su^\mu) = 0 \quad Du_\mu = -\frac{1}{\epsilon + P} \nabla_\mu^\perp P$$

$$D = u \cdot \partial \quad \nabla_\mu^\perp = \Delta_{\mu\nu} \partial^\nu \quad \Delta_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + u_\mu u_\nu$$

Viscous contribution $\delta^{(1)}T^{\mu\nu} = -\eta\sigma^{\mu\nu} - \zeta\Delta^{\mu\nu}\partial \cdot u$

$$\sigma^{\mu\nu} = \Delta^{\mu\alpha} \Delta^{\nu\beta} \left(\partial_\alpha u_\beta + \partial_\beta u_\alpha - \frac{2}{3} \eta_{\alpha\beta} \partial \cdot u \right).$$

Relativistic hydrodynamics: causality

Linearized hydro: consider small fluctuations $g^i = \delta T^{0i}$

$$S_{gg}^L = 2sT \frac{\Gamma_s \omega^2 \mathbf{k}^2}{(\omega^2 - c_s^2 \mathbf{k}^2)^2 + (\Gamma_s \omega \mathbf{k}^2)^2} \quad \Gamma_s = \frac{\frac{4}{3}\eta + \zeta}{sT}$$

$$S_{gg}^T = \frac{2\eta \mathbf{k}^2}{\omega^2 + \left(\frac{\eta}{sT} \mathbf{k}^2\right)^2}$$

L/T channel: propagating sound mode, diffusive shear mode.

Consider “speed” of shear wave

$$v_{diff} = \frac{\partial |\omega|}{\partial k} = \frac{\eta}{sT} k$$

Find acausal* behavior $v_{diff} > c$ for $k > k_{cr}$.

* Occurs outside regime of validity of hydro. But: Causes numerical difficulties.

Second order hydrodynamics

Causality can be restored by introducing a finite relaxation time

$$\eta(\omega) \simeq \frac{\eta}{1 + i\omega\tau_\pi}$$

More formal approach: Second order hydrodynamics (BRSSS)

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^{(2)}T^{\mu\nu} = & \eta\tau_{II} \left[\langle D\sigma^{\mu\nu} \rangle + \frac{1}{3} \sigma^{\mu\nu} (\partial \cdot u) \right] \\ & + \lambda_1 \sigma^{\langle\mu}{}_\lambda \sigma^{\nu\rangle\lambda} + \lambda_2 \sigma^{\langle\mu}{}_\lambda \Omega^{\nu\rangle\lambda} + \lambda_3 \Omega^{\langle\mu}{}_\lambda \Omega^{\nu\rangle\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

$$A^{\langle\mu\nu\rangle} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta^{\mu\alpha} \Delta^{\nu\beta} (A_{\alpha\beta} + A_{\beta\alpha} - \frac{2}{3} \Delta^{\mu\nu} \Delta^{\alpha\beta} A_{\alpha\beta}) \quad \Omega^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta^{\mu\alpha} \Delta^{\nu\beta} (\partial_\alpha u_\beta - \partial_\beta u_\alpha)$$

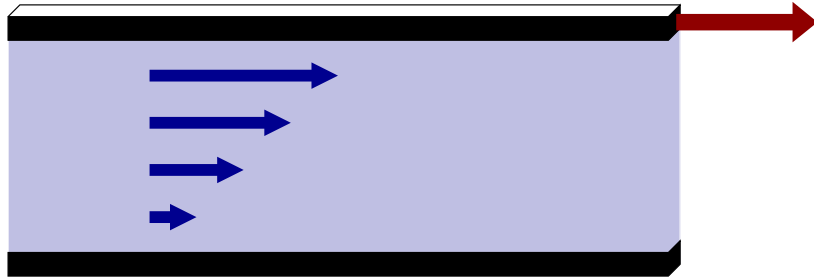
Contains four new transport coefficients τ_{II}, λ_i

Can be written as a relaxation equation for $\pi^{\mu\nu} \equiv \delta T^{\mu\nu}$

$$\pi^{\mu\nu} = -\eta\sigma^{\mu\nu} - \tau_{II} \langle D\pi^{\mu\nu} \rangle + \dots$$

Shear viscosity

Viscosity determines shear stress (“friction”) in fluid flow

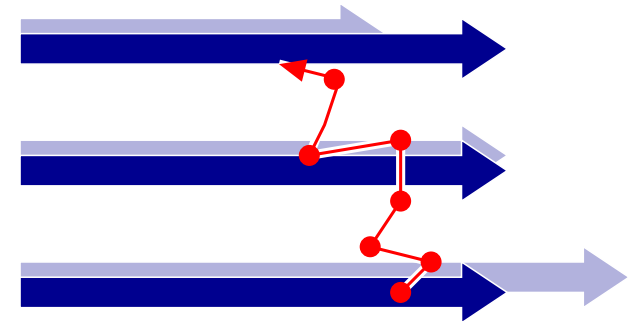


$$F = A \eta \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y}$$

Kinetic theory: conserved quantities carried by quasi-particles

$$\frac{\partial f_p}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_x f_p + \vec{F} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_p f_p = C[f_p]$$

$$\eta \sim \frac{1}{3} n \bar{p} l_{mfp}$$



Dilute, weakly interacting gas: $l_{mfp} \sim 1/(n\sigma)$

$$\eta \sim \frac{1}{3} \bar{p} \sigma$$

independent of density!

Shear viscosity

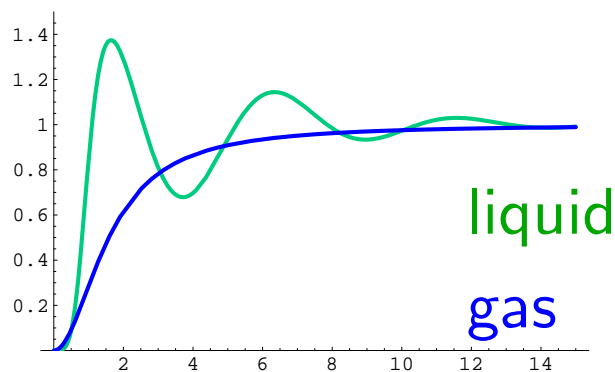
non-interacting gas ($\sigma \rightarrow 0$): $\eta \rightarrow \infty$

non-interacting and hydro limit ($T \rightarrow \infty$) limit do not commute

strongly interacting gas: $\frac{\eta}{n} \sim \bar{p} l_{mfp} \geq \hbar$

but: kinetic theory not reliable!

what happens if the gas condenses into a liquid?



Pair correlation
function

Life at low Reynolds number

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(Received 12 June 1976)

Viscosity of a liquid is a dominant theme here, and you know Vicki's program of explaining everything in terms of fundamental constants. The viscosity of a liquid is a tough nut to crack ... because when the stuff is cooled by 40° its viscosity can change by a factor of 10⁶.

Purcell anticipates

Vicki's theory

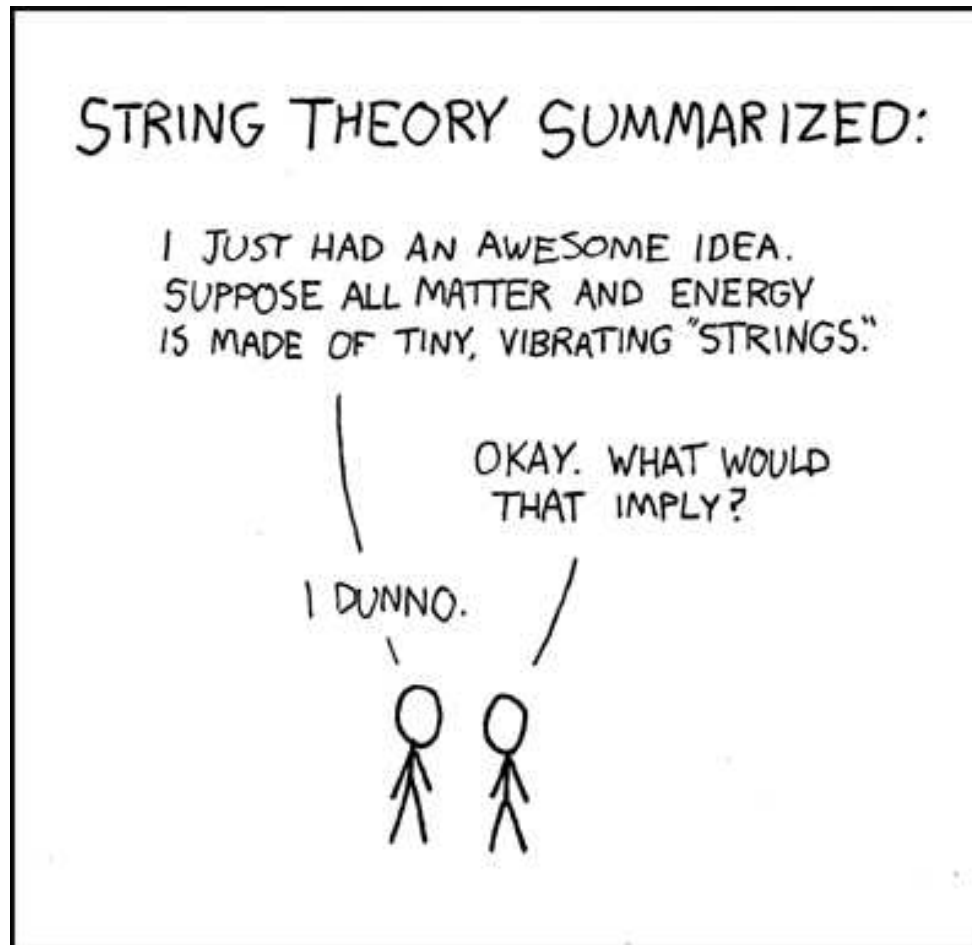
$$\eta \sim \exp(E/T)$$

But it's more mysterious than that: The viscosities have a big range, but they all stop in the same place. I don't understand that.

Eyring, Frenkel:

$$\eta \simeq hn \exp(E/T)$$

And now for something completely different ...



Gauge theory at strong coupling: Holographic duality

The AdS/CFT duality relates

large N_c (conformal) gauge
theory in 4 dimensions

correlation fcts of gauge
invariant operators



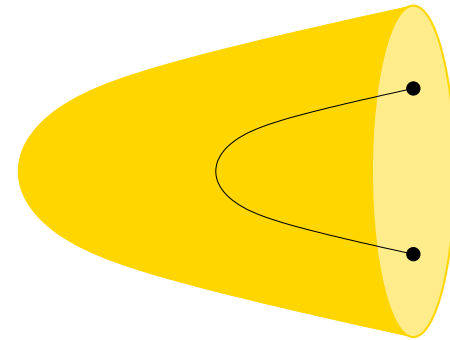
string theory on 5 dimensional
Anti-de Sitter space $\times S_5$



boundary correlation fcts
of AdS fields

$$\langle \exp \int dx \phi_0 \mathcal{O} \rangle =$$

$$Z_{string}[\phi(\partial AdS) = \phi_0]$$



The correspondence is simplest at strong coupling $g^2 N_c$

strongly coupled gauge theory \Leftrightarrow

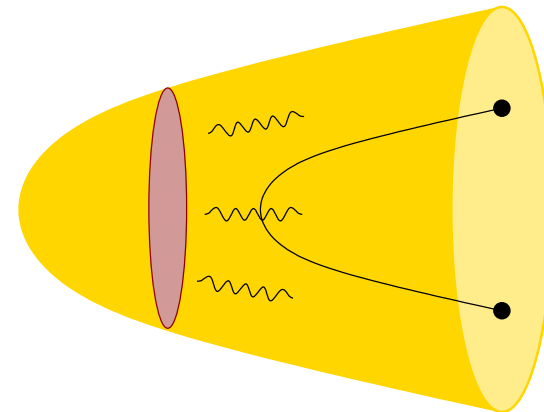
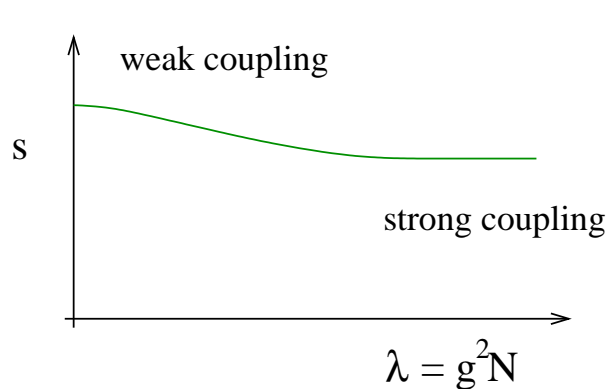
classical string theory

Holographic duals at finite temperature

Thermal (conformal) field theory $\equiv AdS_5$ black hole

CFT temperature \Leftrightarrow Hawking temperature of black hole

CFT entropy \Leftrightarrow Hawking-Bekenstein entropy
 \sim area of event horizon

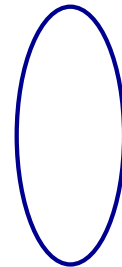
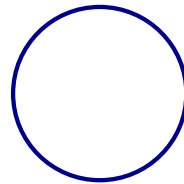
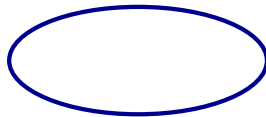
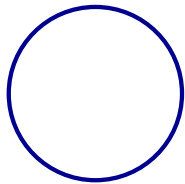


$$s(\lambda \rightarrow \infty) = \frac{\pi^2}{2} N_c^2 T^3 = \frac{3}{4} s(\lambda = 0)$$

Holographic duals: Transport properties

Thermal (conformal) field theory \equiv AdS_5 black hole

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \quad g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^0 + \gamma_{\mu\nu}$$



CFT entropy



Hawking-Bekenstein entropy

\sim area of event horizon

shear viscosity



Graviton absorption cross section

\sim area of event horizon

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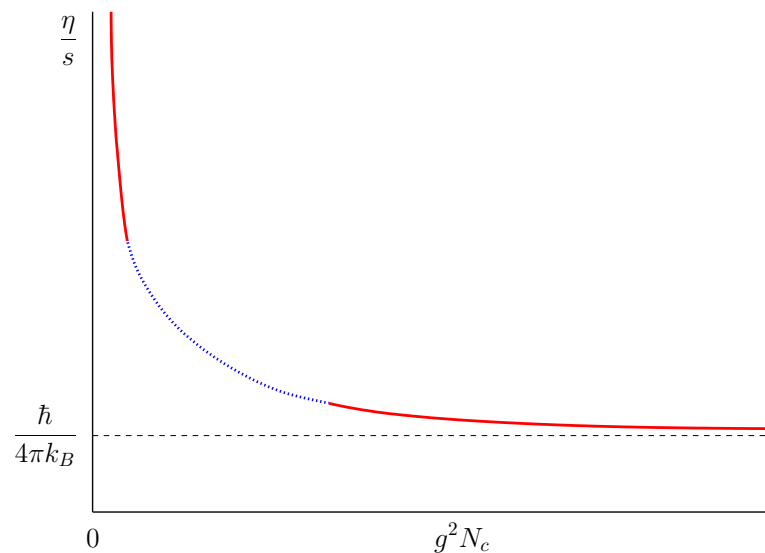
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Strong coupling limit

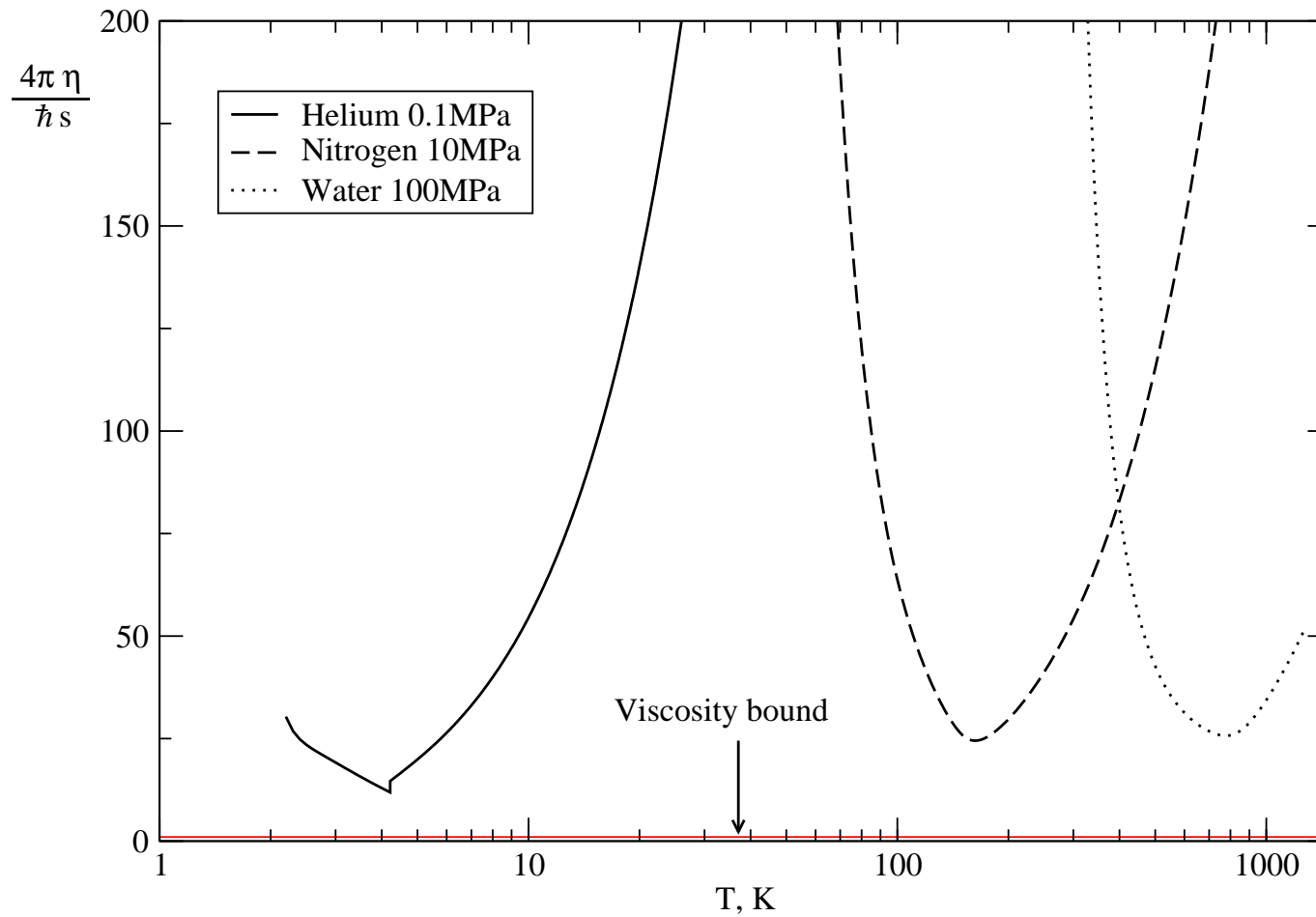
$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{\hbar}{4\pi k_B}$$

Son and Starinets (2001)

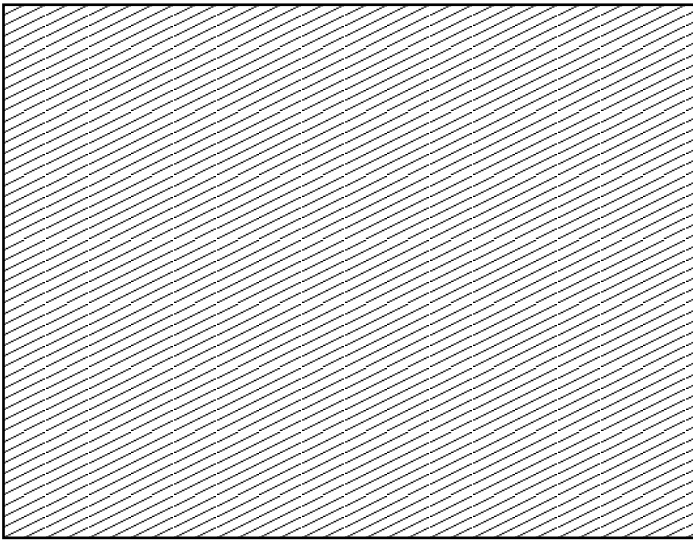


Strong coupling limit universal? Provides lower bound for all theories?

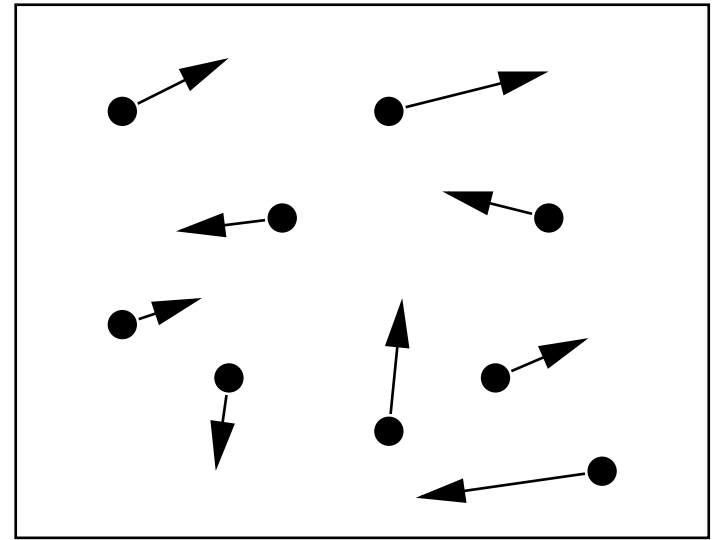
Viscosity bound: Common fluids



Kinetics vs No-Kinetics



AdS/CFT low viscosity goo



pQCD kinetic plasma

Effective theories for fluids (Here: Weak coupling QCD)



$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{q}_f (i\not{D} - m_f) q_f - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

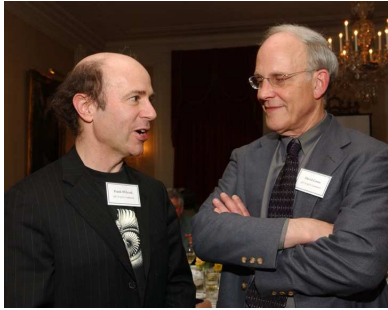


$$\frac{\partial f_p}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_x f_p = C[f_p] \quad (\omega < T)$$



$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho v_i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Pi_{ij} = 0 \quad (\omega < g^4 T)$$

Effective theories (Strong coupling)



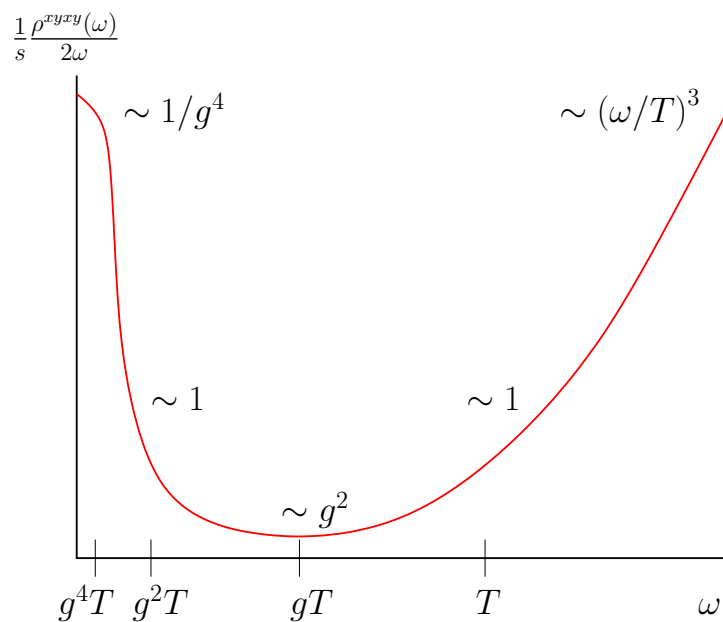
$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\lambda}(i\sigma \cdot D)\lambda - \frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\mu\nu}^a + \dots \Leftrightarrow S = \frac{1}{2\kappa_5^2} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{R} + \dots$$



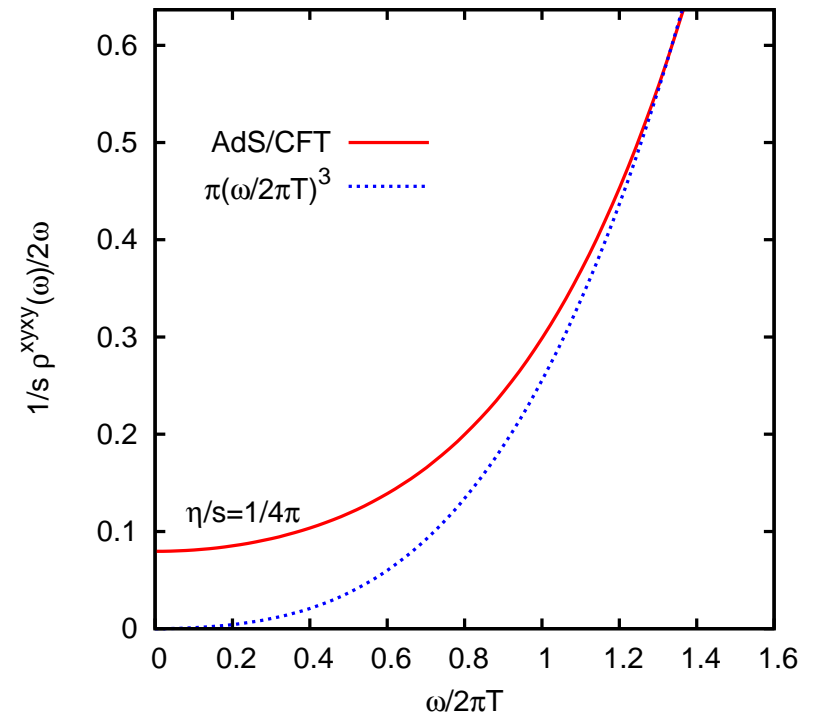
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho v_i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Pi_{ij} = 0 \quad (\omega < T)$$

Kinetics vs No-Kinetics

Spectral function $\rho(\omega) = \text{Im}G_R(\omega, 0)$ associated with T_{xy}



weak coupling QCD



strong coupling AdS/CFT

transport peak vs no transport peak

Transport coefficients, theory

1. Kinetic theory
2. Kubo formula, lattice
3. Dynamic universality
4. Holography

Kinetic theory

Quasi-Particles ($\gamma \ll \omega$): introduce distribution function $f_p(x, t)$

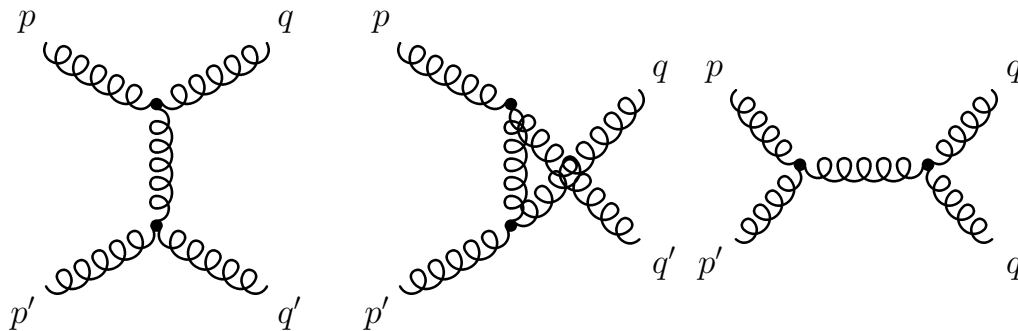
$$N = \int d^3p f_p \quad T_{ij} = \int d^3p p_i p_j f_p,$$

Boltzmann equation

$$\frac{\partial f_p}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_x f_p + \vec{F} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_p f_p = C[f_p]$$

Collision term $C[f_p] = C_{gain} - C_{loss}$

$$C_{loss} = \int dp' dq dq' f_p f_{p'} w(p, p'; q, q') \quad C_{gain} = \dots$$

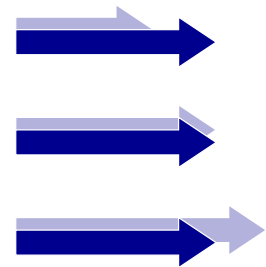


Linearized theory (Chapman-Enskog): $f_p = f_p^0(1 + \chi_p/T)$

$$RHS = C[f_p] \equiv \frac{f_p^0}{T} C_p \chi_p \quad \text{linear collision operator}$$

Linear response to flow gradient

$$f_p = \exp(-(E_p - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{v}(x))/(kT))$$



Drift term proportional to “driving term” ($v_{ij} = \partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i - \text{trace}$)

$$LHS = \frac{\partial f_p}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_x f_p \equiv \frac{f_p^0}{T} X \quad X \equiv p_i p_j v_{ij}$$

Boltzmann equation

$$C_p \chi_p = X \quad \chi_p \equiv g_p p_i p_j v_{ij} \equiv (\chi_p)_{ij} v_{ij}$$

compute $T_{ij}[f_p^0 + \delta f_p] \equiv T_{ij}^0 + \eta v_{ij}$

$$\eta \sim \langle X | \chi \rangle \quad \langle X | \chi \rangle = \int d^3 p f_p^0 (p_i p_j \chi_p^{ij})$$

Use Boltzmann equation $C_p \chi_p = X$: $\eta \sim \langle \chi | C_p | \chi \rangle$

Variational principle

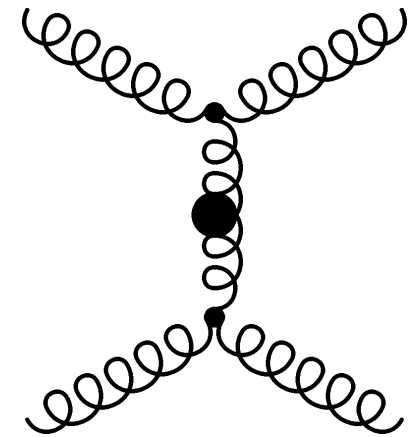
$$\langle \chi_{var} | C_p | \chi_{var} \rangle \langle \chi | C_p | \chi \rangle \geq \langle \chi_{var} | C_p | \chi \rangle^2 = \langle \chi_{var} | X \rangle^2$$

$$\eta \geq \frac{\langle \chi_{var} | X \rangle^2}{\langle \chi_{var} | C_p | \chi_{var} \rangle}$$

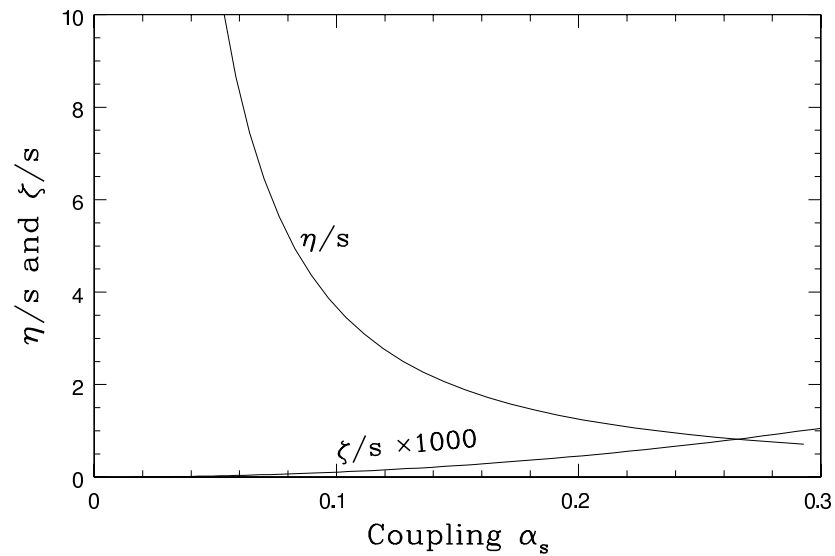
Best bound for $g_p \sim p^\alpha$ ($\alpha \simeq 0.1$)

$$\eta = \frac{0.34 T^3}{\alpha_s^2 \log(1/\alpha_s)}$$

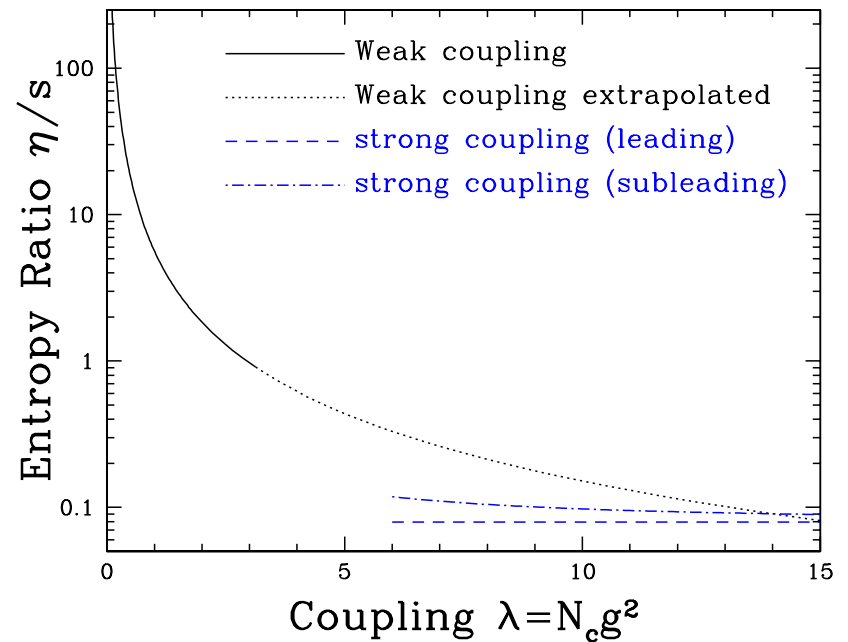
$\log(\alpha_s)$ from dynamic screening



pQCD and pSYM: weak versus strong coupling



Arnold, Dogan, Moore (2006)



Huot, Jeon, Moore (2006)

Kinetic Theory: Quasiparticles

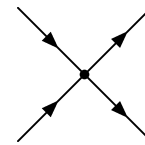
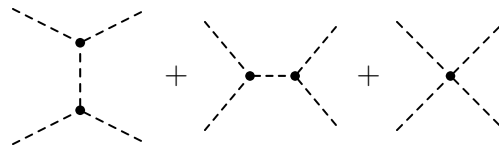
low temperature

high temperature

unitary gas

phonons

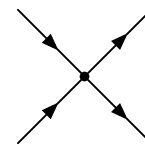
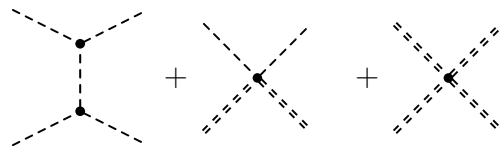
atoms



helium

phonons, rotons

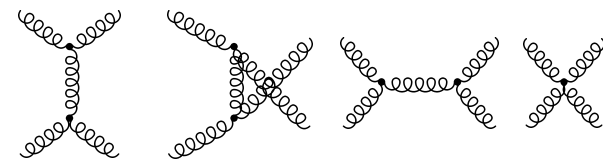
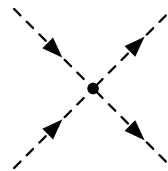
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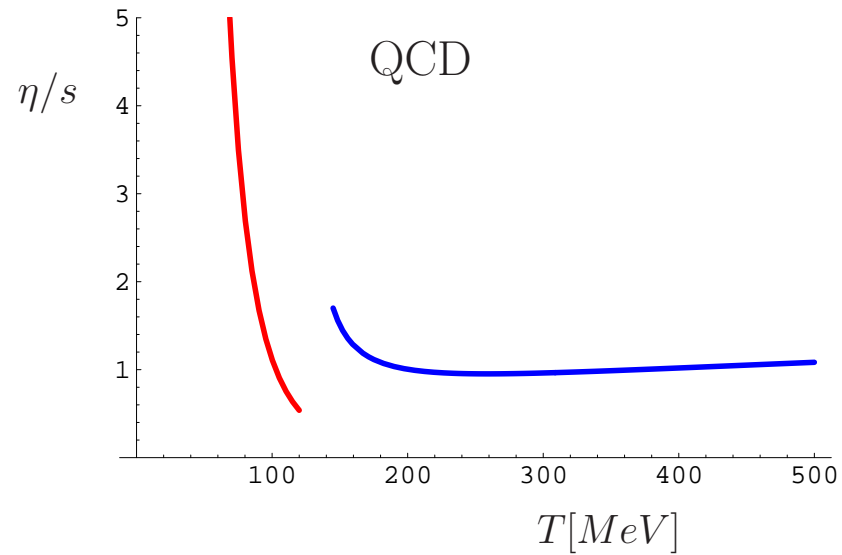
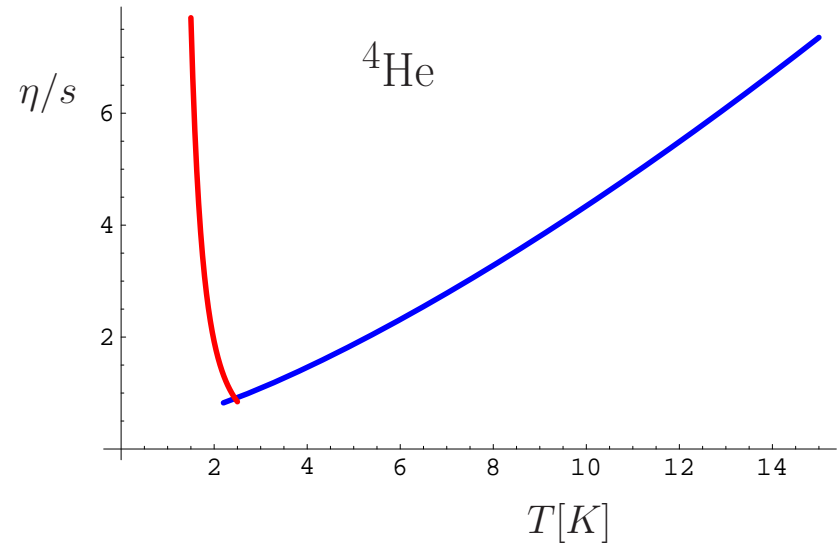
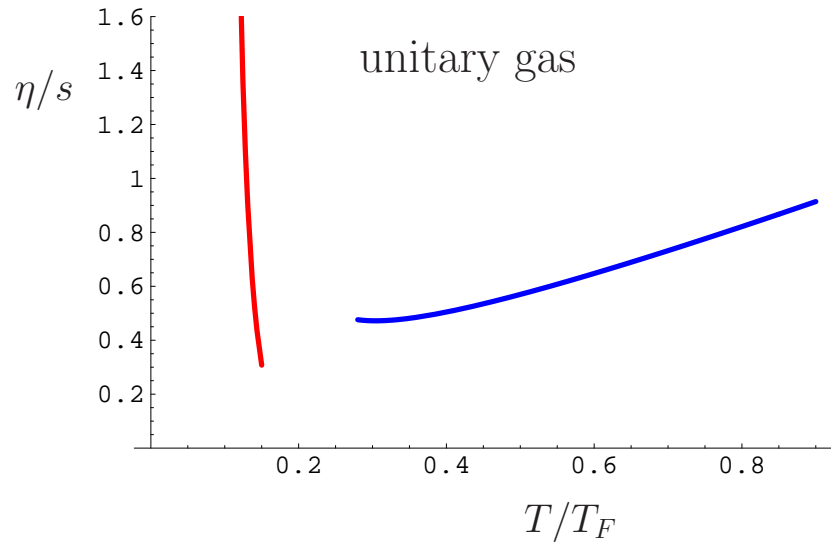
QCD

pions

quarks, gluons



Theory Summary



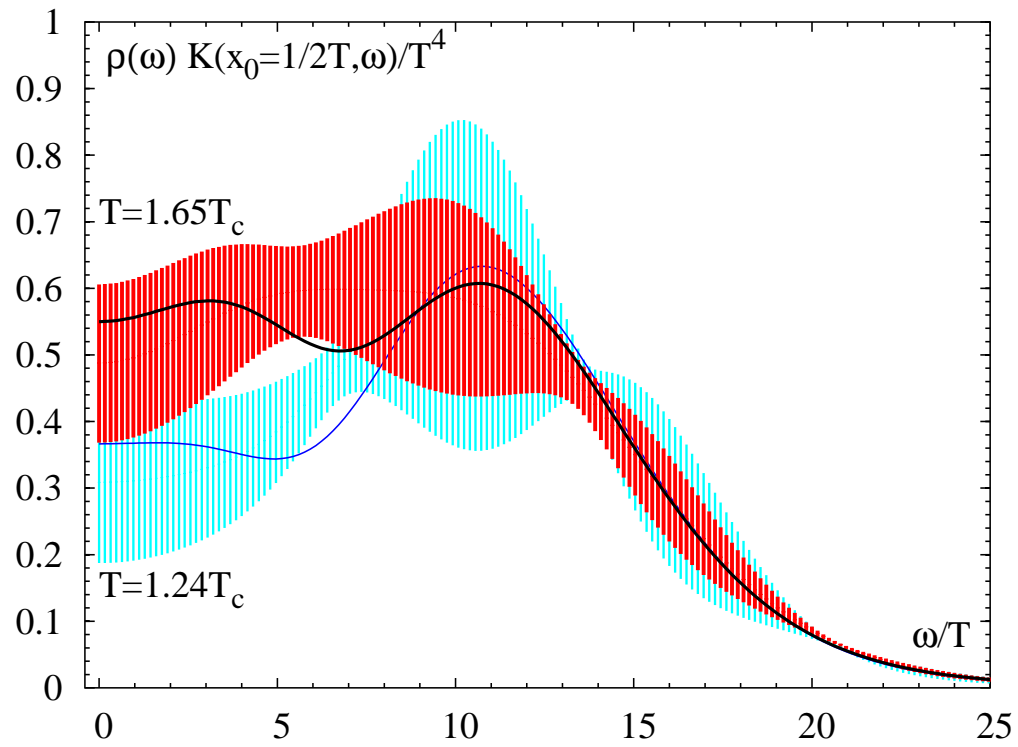
What if the coupling is strong? Kubo Formula

Linear response theory provides relation between transport coefficients and Green functions

$$G_R(\omega, 0) = \int dt d^3x e^{i\omega t} \Theta(t) \langle [T_{xy}(t, x), T_{xy}(0, 0)] \rangle$$

$$\eta = - \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\omega} G_R(\omega, 0)$$

This result is hard to use for quantum fluids, but there are some heroic efforts by lattice QCD theorists, e.g. Meyer (2007).



T	$1.02 T_c$	$1.24 T_c$	$1.65 T_c$
η/s		0.102(56)	0.134(33)
ζ/s	0.73(3)	0.065(17)	0.008(7)

Dynamic Universality

Continuous phase transition: Dynamics of low energy modes universal

Universality for transport coefficients

Universal theory: Hydro (diffusive modes), order parameters (time dependent LG), stochastic forces (Langevin)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho v_i) = P_{ij}^{\perp} \left[\eta_0 \nabla^2 \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta(\rho v_j)} + w_0 (\nabla_j \phi) \frac{\delta \mathcal{H}}{\delta \phi} + \zeta_j \right]$$

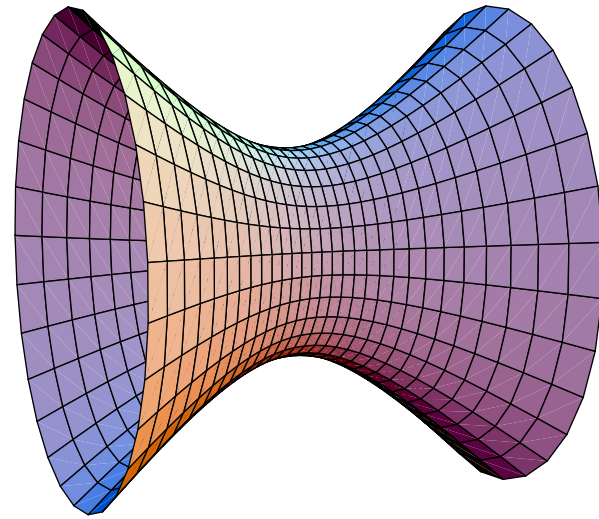
Model H of Hohenberg and Halperin

$$\eta \sim \xi^{x_\eta} \quad (x_\eta \simeq 0.06) \qquad \zeta \sim \xi^{x_\zeta} \quad (x_\zeta \simeq 2.8)$$

Anti-DeSitter Space

Consider a hyperboloid embedded in 6-d euclidean space

$$-R^2 = \sum_{i=1,4} x_i^2 - x_0^2 - x_5^2$$



This is a space of constant negative curvature, and a solution of the Einstein equation

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R = \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}\Lambda$$

with negative cosmological constant.

Isometries of AdS_5 : $SO(4, 2) \equiv$ conformal group in $d = 3 + 1$

metric of $\text{AdS}_5 \times \text{S}_5$ (note that $(L/\ell_s)^4 = g^2 N_c$)

$$ds^2 = \frac{r^2}{L^2} (-dt^2 + d\mathbf{x}^2) + \frac{L^2}{r^2} dr^2 + L^2 d\Omega_5^2$$

$r \rightarrow \infty$ “boundary” of AdS_5

Finite temperature: AdS_5 black hole solution

$$ds^2 = \frac{r^2}{L^2} (-f(r)dt^2 + d\mathbf{x}^2) + \frac{L^2}{f(r)r^2} dr^2,$$

where $f(r) = 1 - (r_0/r)^4$. Hawking temperature $T_H = r_0/\pi$.

Compute induced stress tensor on the boundary

$$\langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta g^{\mu\nu}} \Big|_{bd}$$

Find ideal fluid with

$$\langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle = \text{diag}(\epsilon, P, P, P), \quad \frac{\epsilon}{3} = P = \frac{N_c^2}{8\pi^2} (\pi T)^4$$

Hydrodynamics from AdS/CFT

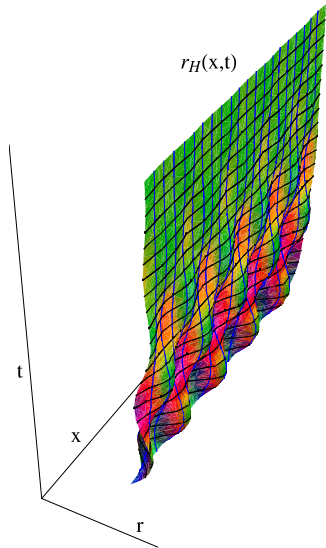
Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates

$$ds^2 = 2 dv dr + \frac{r^2}{L^2} [-f(r)dv^2 + r^2 d\mathbf{x}^2]$$

Introduce local rest frame $u^\mu = (1, \mathbf{0})$, scale parameter b

$$ds^2 = -2u_\mu dx^\mu dr + \frac{r^2}{L^2} [-f(br)u_\mu u_\nu dx^\mu dx^\nu + r^2 P_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu]$$

$$P_{\mu\nu} = u_\mu u_\nu + \eta_{\mu\nu}$$



promote $u_\mu(x)$ and $b(x)$ to fields
determine metric order by order in gradients
compute induced stress

leading order: ideal fluid dynamics with $\epsilon = 3P$

$$T_0^{\mu\nu} = \frac{N_c^2}{8\pi^2} (\pi T)^4 (\eta^{\mu\nu} + 4u^\mu u^\nu)$$

next-to-leading order: Navier-Stokes with $\eta/s = 1/(4\pi)$

$$\delta^{(1)} T^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{N_c^2}{8\pi^2} (\pi T)^3 \sigma^{\mu\nu}$$

next-to-next-to-leading order: second order conformal hydro

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^{(2)} T^{\mu\nu} = & \eta\tau_{II} \left[\langle D\sigma^{\mu\nu} \rangle + \frac{1}{3} \sigma^{\mu\nu} (\partial \cdot u) \right] \\ & + \lambda_1 \sigma^{\langle\mu}{}_\lambda \sigma^{\nu\rangle\lambda} + \lambda_2 \sigma^{\langle\mu}{}_\lambda \Omega^{\nu\rangle\lambda} + \lambda_3 \Omega^{\langle\mu}{}_\lambda \Omega^{\nu\rangle\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

relaxation times

$$\tau_{\Pi} = \frac{2 - \ln 2}{\pi T} \quad \lambda_1 = \frac{2\eta}{\pi T} \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{2\eta \ln 2}{\pi T} \quad \lambda_3 = 0$$