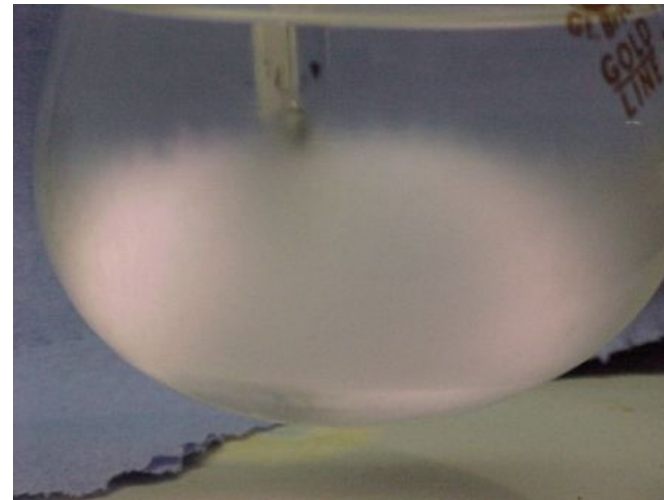
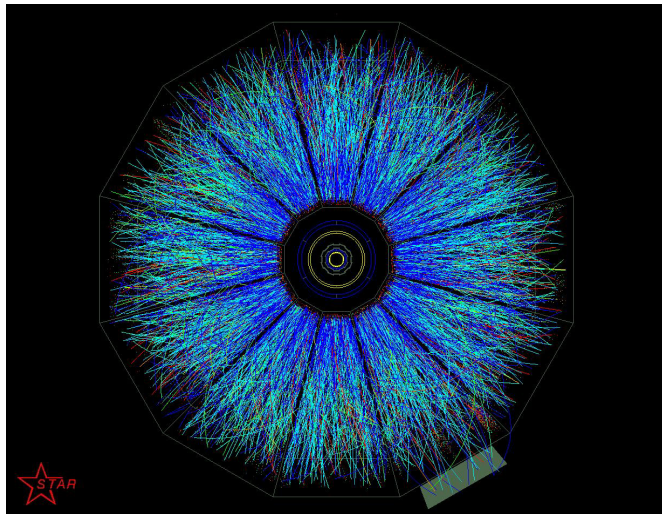


# Critical Behavior of the Bulk Viscosity in QCD

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# Why consider critical bulk viscosity?

Model H predictions<sup>1</sup> (scaling with correlation length)

$$\eta \sim \xi^{0.05}, \quad \kappa \sim \xi^{0.9}, \quad \zeta \sim \xi^{2.8}.$$

Even modest values of  $\zeta/s$  lead to large effects in RHICs

$$P = P_0 - \zeta(\nabla \cdot u) \simeq P_0 \left\{ 1 - \left( \frac{\zeta}{s} \right) \frac{4}{\tau_0 T} \left( \frac{\tau_0}{\tau} \right)^{2/3} \right\}$$

Backreaction: How do critical fluctuation contribute to equilibrium pressure? Replace  $\zeta \sim \xi^{x_\zeta}$  estimates by  $\zeta \leq f(\xi/\xi_0)$  constraints.

<sup>1</sup> Hohenberg, Halperin (1977); Kadanoff, Swift (1968); Onuki (1997)

## Strategy

Consider an Ising-like system. Fluctuations governed by an entropy functional

$$Prob[\psi, \epsilon] \sim \exp(S[\psi, \epsilon]) \quad S = \int d^3x s(\psi, \epsilon)$$

energy density  $\epsilon$ , order parameter  $\psi$

Conjugate variables

$$x^A = (\epsilon, \psi) \quad X_A = -\frac{\partial s}{\partial x^A} = (r, h)$$

reduced temperature  $r$ , magnetic field  $h$

QCD: Canonical pair

$$x^a = (e, n) \quad X_a = (-\beta, \beta\mu)$$

energy density  $e$ , baryon density  $n$

inverse temperature  $\beta$ , chemical potential  $\mu$

## Strategy, continued

Fluctuations in the pressure

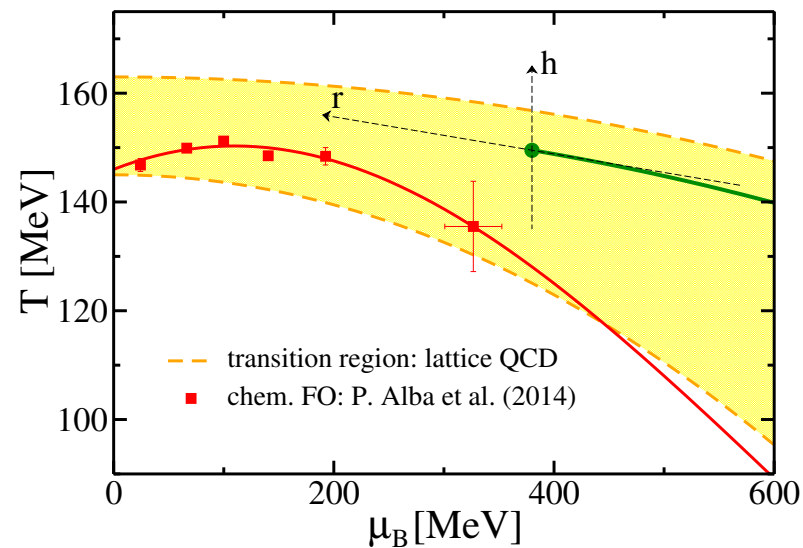
$$\delta P = \frac{e + P}{\beta} \frac{\partial s}{\partial(\delta e)} - \frac{n}{\beta} \frac{\partial s}{\partial(\delta n)}$$

Map QCD densities  $x^a$  onto Ising densities  $x^A$

$$x^A = x^A(x^b) \quad R_b^A = \frac{\partial x^A}{\partial x^b} \quad \text{induces : } \bar{R}_A^b = \frac{\partial X_A}{\partial X_b} \quad R_b^A \bar{R}_C^b = \delta_C^A$$

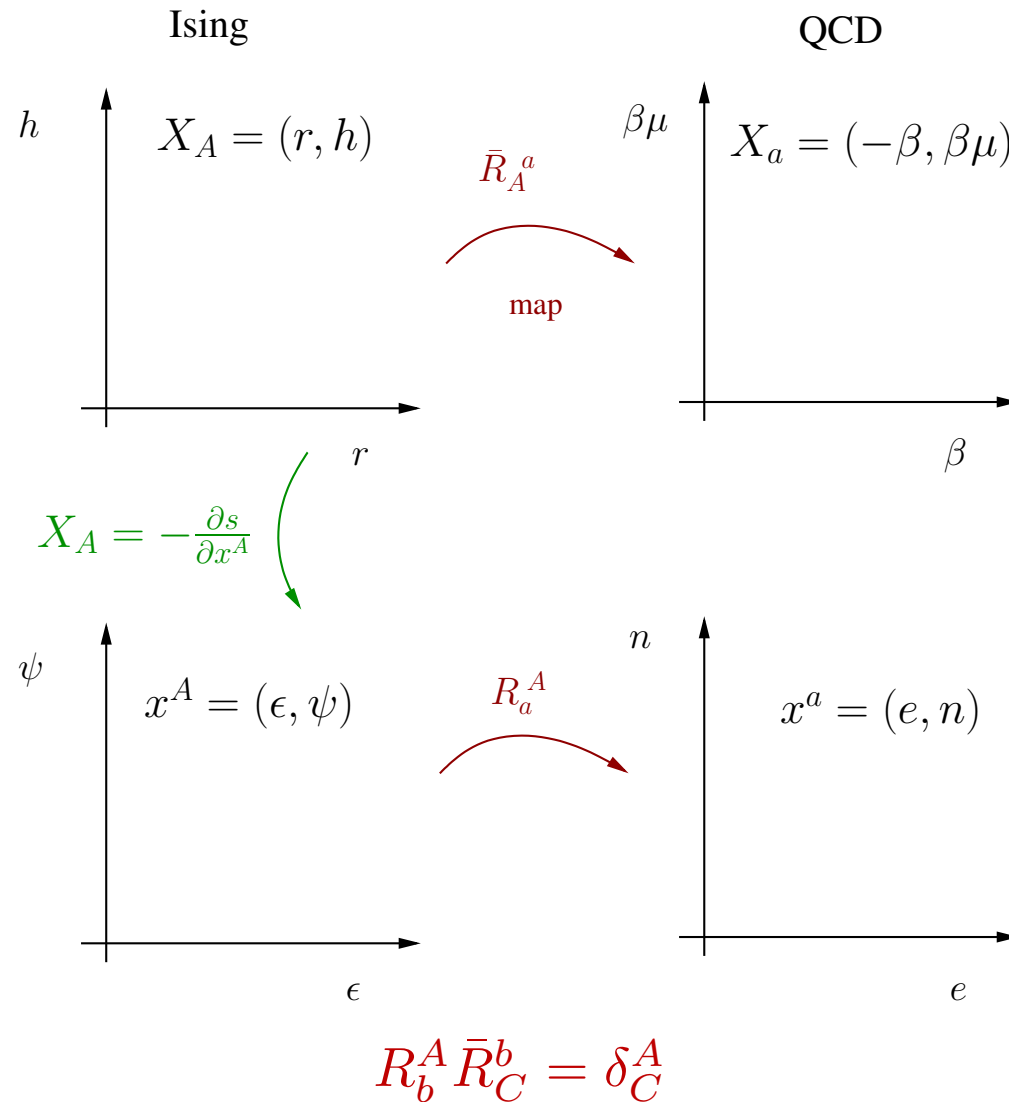
Typical assumption:

$$r \sim \mu, \quad h \sim T$$



# Mapping the Ising EOS to QCD

Map QCD variables on  
Ising equation of state  
 $F(h, t)$



## Strategy, continued

Express fluctuation in pressure in terms of Ising entropy

$$\delta P = \frac{e + P}{\beta} R_e^\psi \frac{\partial s^{Is}}{\partial \psi} - \frac{n}{\beta} R_n^\epsilon \frac{\partial s^{Is}}{\partial \epsilon}$$

$$\text{Main term : } \frac{\partial s^{Is}}{\partial \epsilon} \sim \gamma \psi^2$$

This coupling generates (Kubo relation)

$$\zeta \sim \beta V \int dt \langle \delta P(0) \delta P(t) \rangle \sim \beta V (\gamma n T R_n^\epsilon)^2 \int dt \langle \psi^2(0) \psi^2(t) \rangle$$

Slow order parameter relaxation  $\rightarrow$  large bulk viscosity

## Tri-linear coupling $s \sim \gamma\epsilon\psi^2$

Consider entropy functional

$$S[\psi, \epsilon] = - \int d^3x \left\{ \kappa(\nabla\psi)^2 + \frac{v}{2}\psi^2 + \frac{u}{4}\psi^4 + \gamma\epsilon\psi^2 + \frac{1}{2C_0}\epsilon^2 \right\} + S_0 + \frac{E}{T_0}$$

Legendre transform to obtain Gibbs free energy

$$\beta G[\psi, t] = \int d^3x \left\{ \kappa(\nabla\psi)^2 + \frac{\tilde{v}}{2}\psi^2 + \frac{\tilde{u}}{4}\psi^4 \right\}$$

$$\tilde{v} = v + 2\gamma C_0 \frac{T - T_0}{T_0^2}$$

Need  $\gamma \neq 0$  to have a transition.

## Order parameter relaxation rate

Consider diffusive relaxation (model B)

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \lambda_0 \nabla^2 \frac{\delta G}{\delta \psi} + \Theta$$

$$\langle \Theta(x, t) \Theta(0, 0) \rangle = -2\lambda_0 T \delta^3(x) \delta(t)$$

Retarded correlation function

$$\Delta_R(\omega, k) = \chi_k \frac{\Gamma_k}{-i\omega + \Gamma_k}$$

Relaxation rate and susceptibility

$$\Gamma_k = \lambda_0 \chi_k^{-1} k^2 \quad \chi_k = \frac{\xi^2}{1 + (k\xi)^2}$$

Bulk viscosity

$$\zeta \sim (\gamma n T R_n^\epsilon)^2 \int d^3 k \left. \frac{2T \chi_k^2}{-i\omega + 2\Gamma_k} \right|_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \sim (\gamma n T R_n^\epsilon)^2 \xi^5$$



## Refinements: Equation of State

Parotto et al. write  $S(e, n) = S_{reg}(e, n) + AS_{crit}(e, n)$ . Taylor expand regular part (constrained by lattice), linear map to Ising

$$\frac{T - T_c}{T_c} = \bar{w} (r\bar{\rho} \sin \alpha_1 + h \sin \alpha_2)$$

$$\frac{\mu - \mu_c}{T_c} = \bar{w} (-r\bar{\rho} \cos \alpha_1 - h \cos \alpha_2)$$

Critical Gibbs Free Energy (Zinn-Justin parameterization)

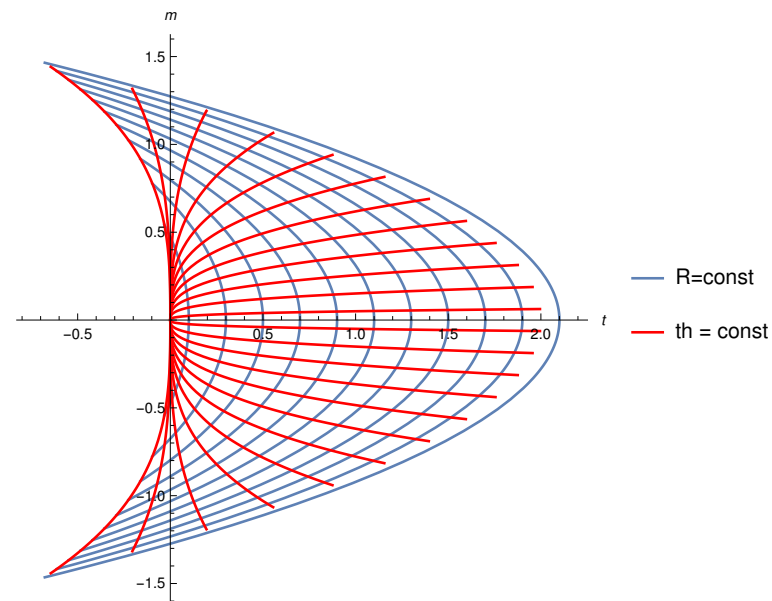
$$G[\psi, r] = h_0 M_0 R^{2-\alpha} g(\theta)$$

$$\psi = M_0 R^\beta \theta \quad r = R(1 - \theta^2)$$

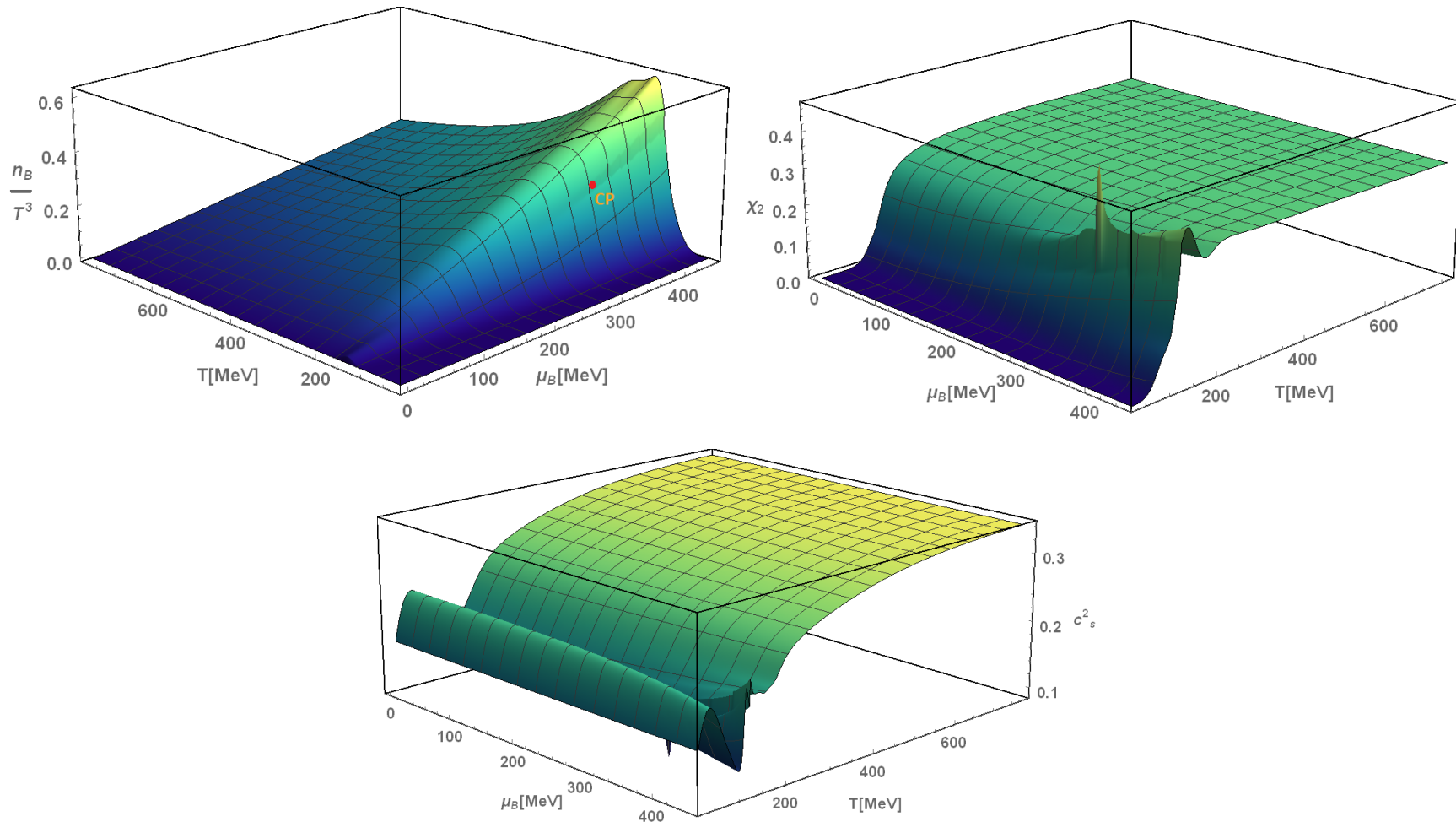
magnetic EOS

$$h = h_0 R^{\beta\delta} \tilde{h}(\theta)$$

$$\theta \in [-\theta_0, \theta_0] \quad \tilde{h}(\theta_0) = 0$$



# Critical equation of state for QCD



Baryon density, compressibility, speed of sound.

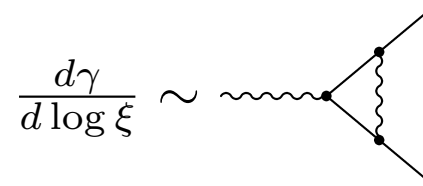
## Refinements, continued

Tri-linear coupling in critical Ising equation of state

$$\gamma_{\pm} = \begin{cases} 0.43 r^{1-2\beta} & r > 0 \\ 1.10 |r|^{1-2\beta} & r < 0 \end{cases}$$

Coupling stronger in first order regime; critical exponent  $1 - 2\beta \simeq 0.54$ .

Result consistent with  
diagrammatic analysis.



Halperin, Hohenberg, Ma (1974)

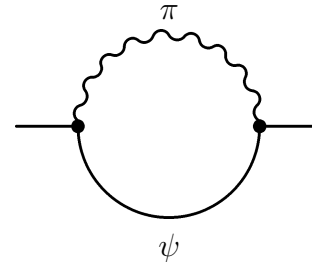
Parotto et al. map corresponds to

$$R_n^\epsilon = \frac{\bar{\rho}\bar{w}}{A} \cos \alpha_1 \simeq \frac{\bar{\rho}\bar{w}}{A}$$

## Refinements: Model H

Order parameter  $\psi \sim s/n$  coupled to momentum density  $\vec{\pi}$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \vec{\pi} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \psi + \dots$$



Order parameter relaxation rate governed by (non-critical) shear viscosity (“Kawasaki approximation”).

$$\Gamma_k = \frac{T\xi^{-3}}{6\pi\eta_0} K(k\xi) \quad K(x) = \frac{3}{4} [1 + x^2 + (x^3 + x^{-1}) \arctan(x)] .$$

Order parameter susceptibility

$$\chi_k = \frac{\chi_0}{1 + (k\xi)^{2-\eta}} \quad \chi_0 = \chi_0^2 (\chi/\chi_0)^{2-\eta}$$

Define bare correlation length by  $s\xi_0^3 \equiv 1$

## Critical contribution to bulk viscosity

$$\frac{\zeta}{s} = \left(\frac{n}{s}\right)^2 (\gamma_{\pm} R_n^{\epsilon})^2 (T t_0) \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{4\pi}{s/\eta}\right) \left(\frac{\xi}{\xi_0}\right)^{z-\alpha/\nu}$$

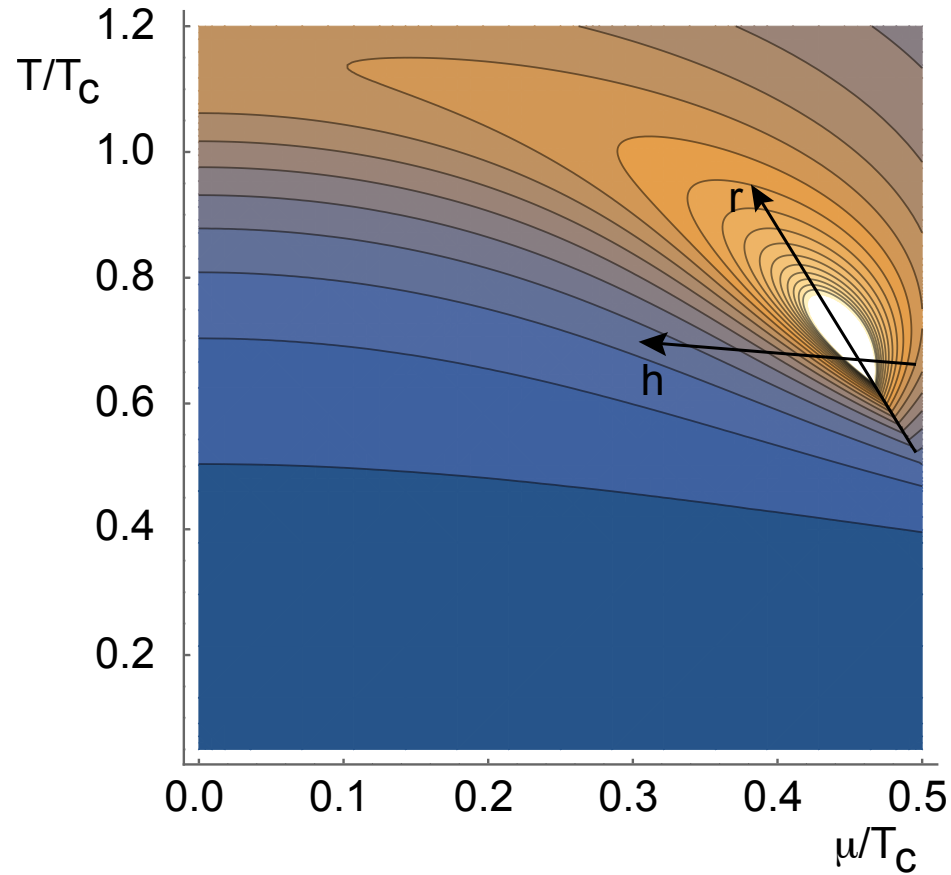
$z \simeq 3$  dynamical critical exponent,  $\alpha/\nu$  small.

$(n/s)^2 \ll 1$  related to orientation of Ising axes.

Amplitude ratio  $(\gamma_-/\gamma_+)^2 \simeq 6$ .

First order regime:  $\zeta \simeq 5 \cdot 10^{-4} (\xi/\xi_0)^3$

## The role of the Ising Map



Phase diagram in  
random matrix model,  
tuned to reproduce

$$T_\chi/T_{pc}$$

See also Pradeep & Stephanov 1905.13247

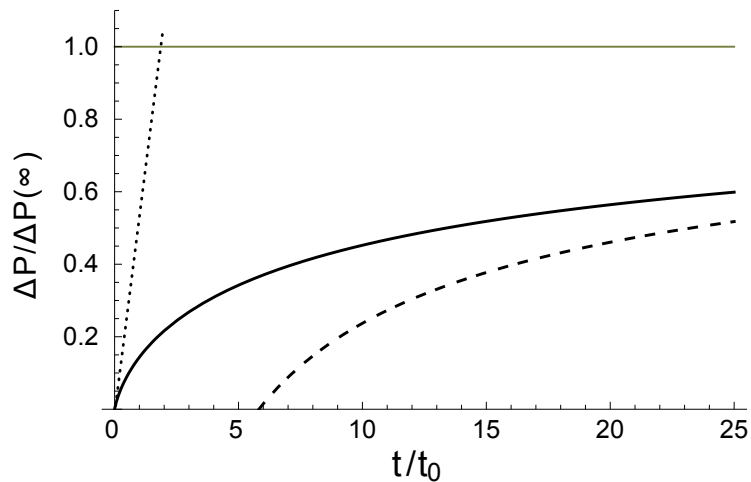
$$\frac{\zeta}{s} = \sin^2(\alpha_1) \left( \frac{4\pi}{s/\eta} \right) \left( \frac{\xi}{\xi_0} \right)^3 \begin{cases} 3.4 \cdot 10^{-2} & r > 0 \\ 2.2 \cdot 10^{-1} & r < 0 \end{cases} \quad \sin^2(\alpha_1) \simeq 1/4$$

## Bulk pressure response function

Consider response function

$$\Delta P(t) = \int^t dt' G(t-t') (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{u})(t'),$$

$$G(t) = c \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} 2T \chi_k^2 \exp(-2\Gamma_k t)$$



Long time tail

$$\Delta P(t) \simeq \Delta P(\infty) \left\{ 1 - \frac{4}{3} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \left( \frac{\xi}{\xi_0} \right)^2 \left( \frac{t_0}{t} \right)^{1/2} \right\}$$

Initial rise in pressure

$$\Delta P(t) = \frac{8}{3} \left( \frac{\xi_0}{\xi} \right)^4 \left( \frac{t}{t_0} \right) \Delta P(\infty)$$

## Summary

Critical bulk viscosity suppressed by  $(n/s)^2$  and amplitude ratio.

Result sensitive to orientation of Ising axes. “Non-standard” orientation leads to  $\zeta_{crit} \sim \eta_0$  for  $\xi \gtrsim 2\xi_0$ .

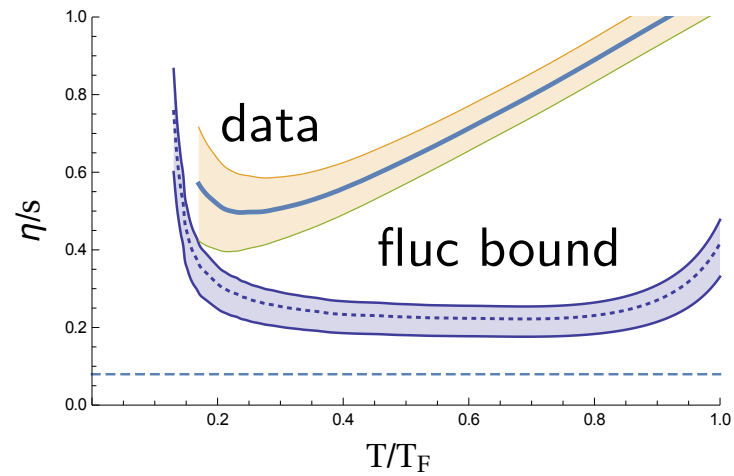
Very slow relaxation of bulk pressure near  $T_c$ .



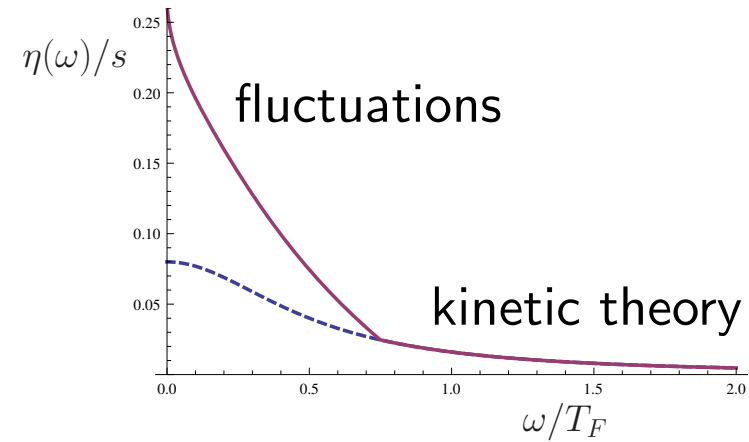
## Outlook:

Observing fluctuation effects in transport properties

## Fluctuation induced bound on $\eta/s$



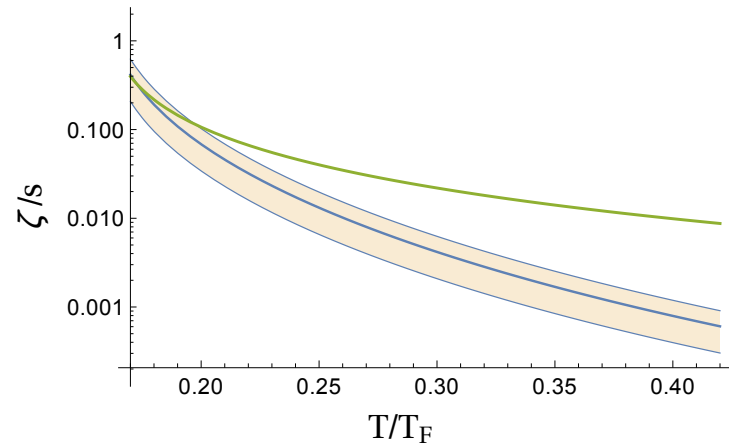
$$(\eta/s)_{min} \simeq 0.2$$



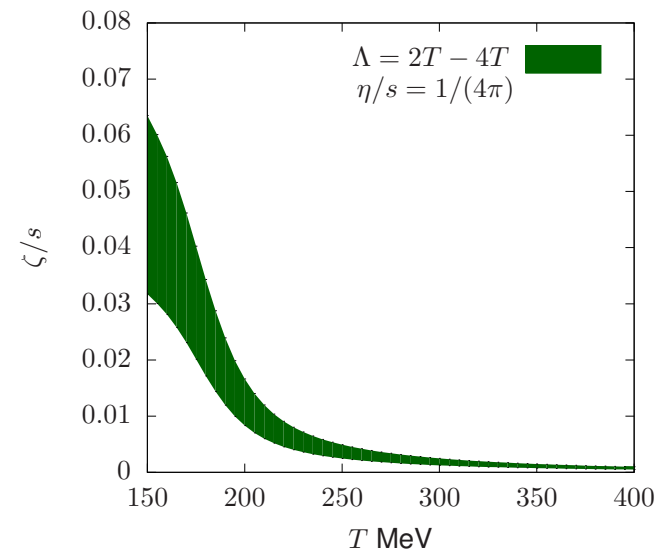
spectral function  
non-analytic  $\sqrt{\omega}$  term

# Fluctuation induced bound on $\zeta/s$

(Detuned) Unitary Fermi Gas



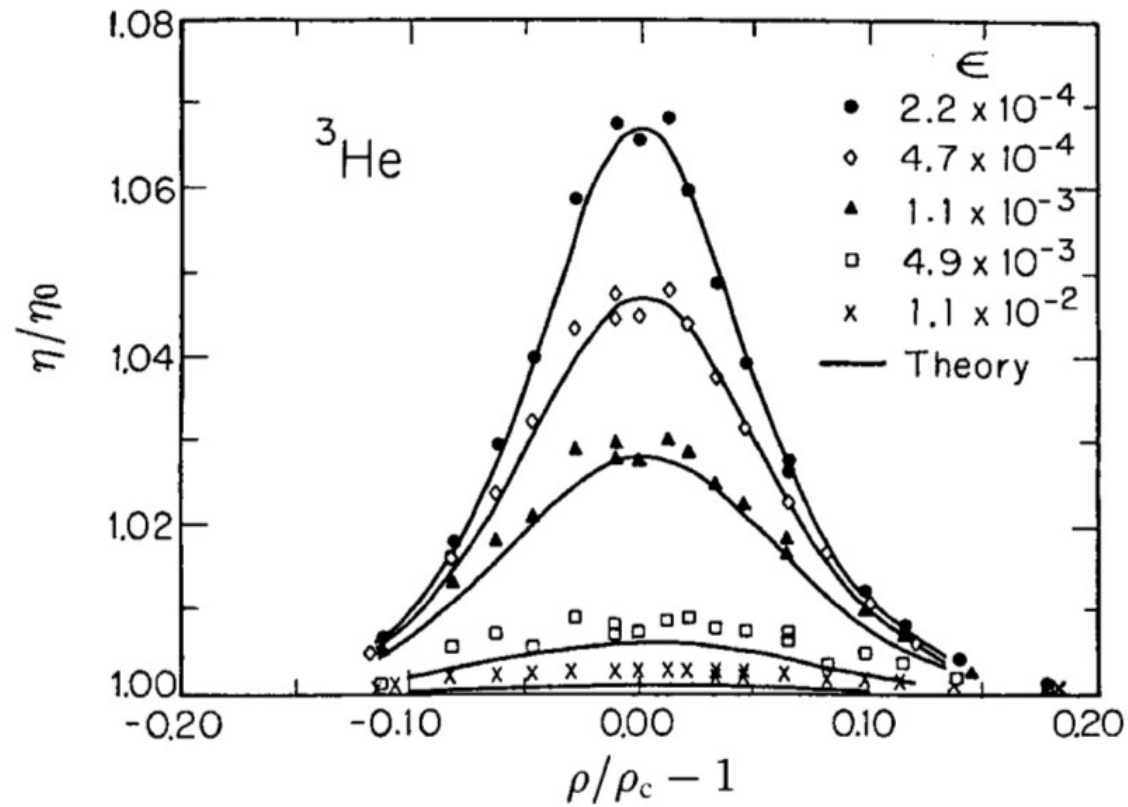
Quark Gluon Plasma



Non-relativistic fluid, M. Martinez, T. S. (2017); relativistic fluid, Akamatsu et al. (2018)

See also Kovtun, Yaffe (2003)

## Critical transport (liquid-gas endpoint in helium)



Agosta, Wang, Meyer (1987)

More dramatic enhancement in thermal conductivity and bulk viscosity (sound attenuation)

# Critical sound attenuation (liquid-gas endpoint in helium)

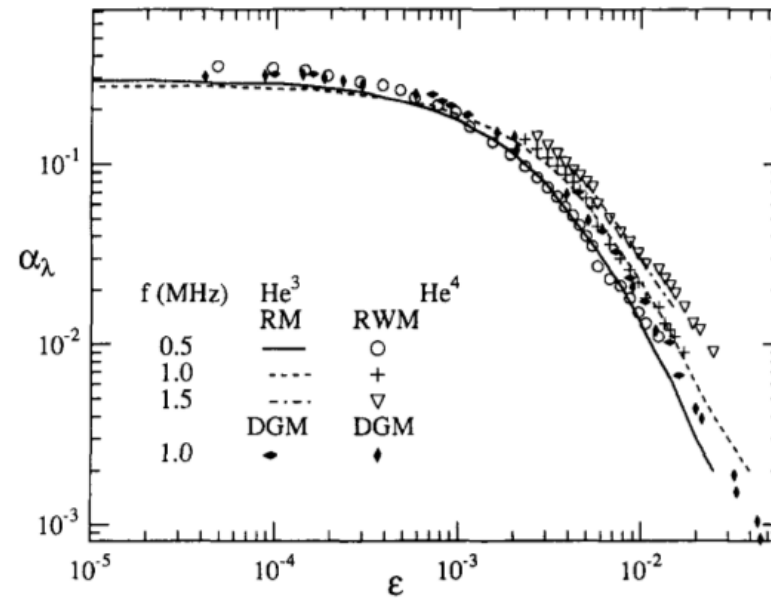
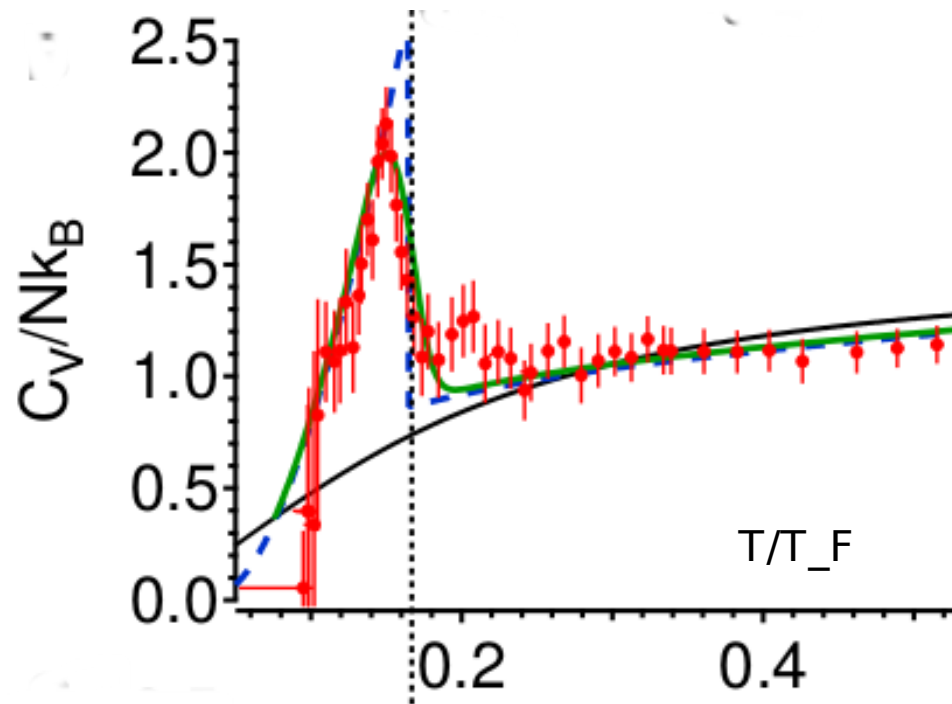


Fig. 2. Comparison of the attenuation data of  $^3\text{He}$  and  $^4\text{He}$  from different experiments versus  $\epsilon$  at frequencies 0.5, 1 and 1.5 MHz (Roe *et al.* (RWM), (RM) and Doiron *et al.* (DGM)<sup>9 11</sup>). The lines represent the  $^3\text{He}$  data of RM, while the other data are marked by symbols.

Kogan, Meyer (1998)

Sound attenuation dominated by bulk viscosity

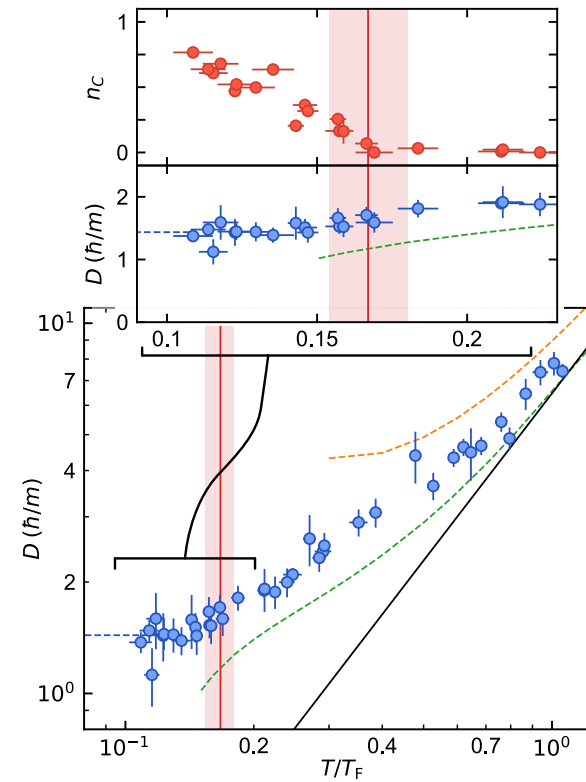
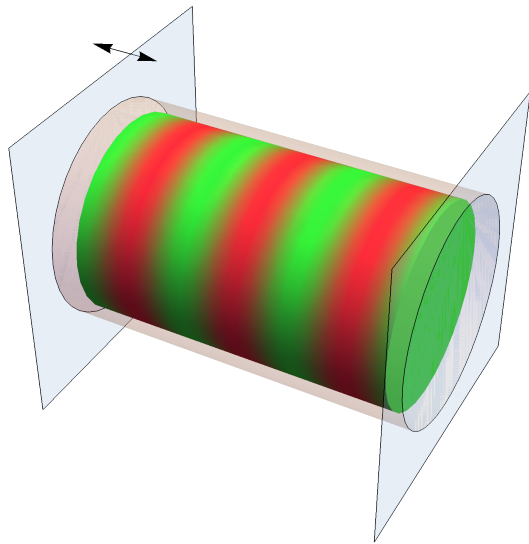
## Lambda transition in ultracold Fermi gas



Ku et al. (2011). Critical behavior also seen in compressibility.

Dashed black line:  $T_c$ ; black line: background fit; dashed blue: critical fit; green line: finite resolution effects.

## Sound attenuation across lambda transition



Patel et al. (2019). No critical effects seen in sound attenuation.

Dashed black line:  $T_c$ ; black line: background fit; dashed blue: critical fit; green line: finite resolution effects.