

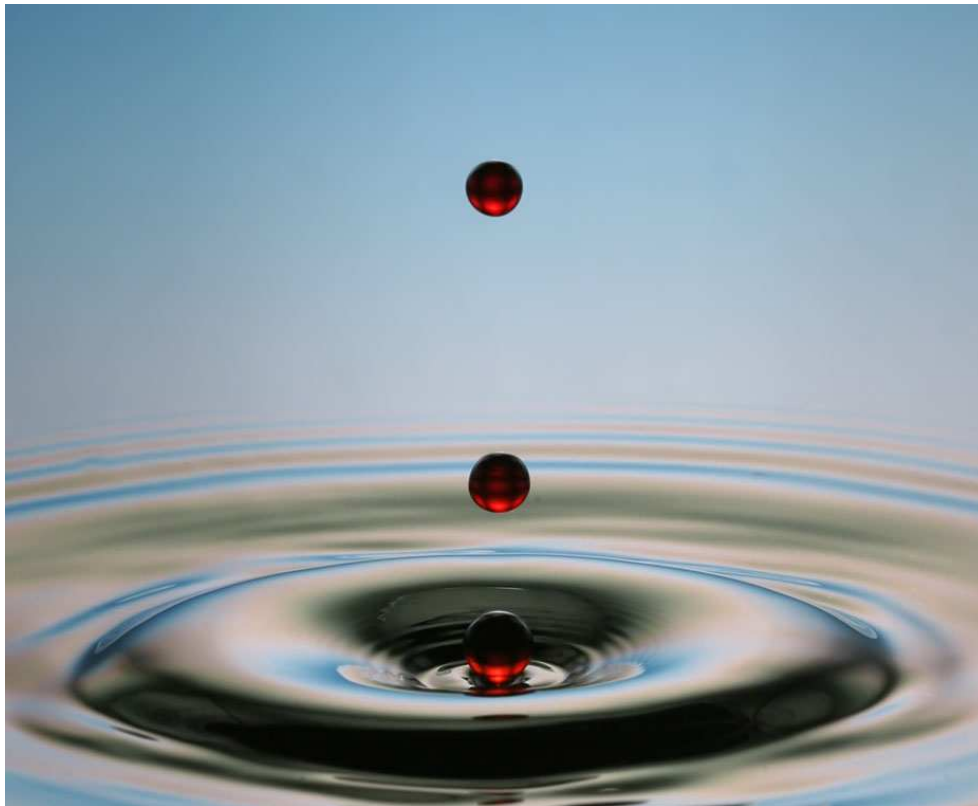
Fluid dynamics as an effective theory

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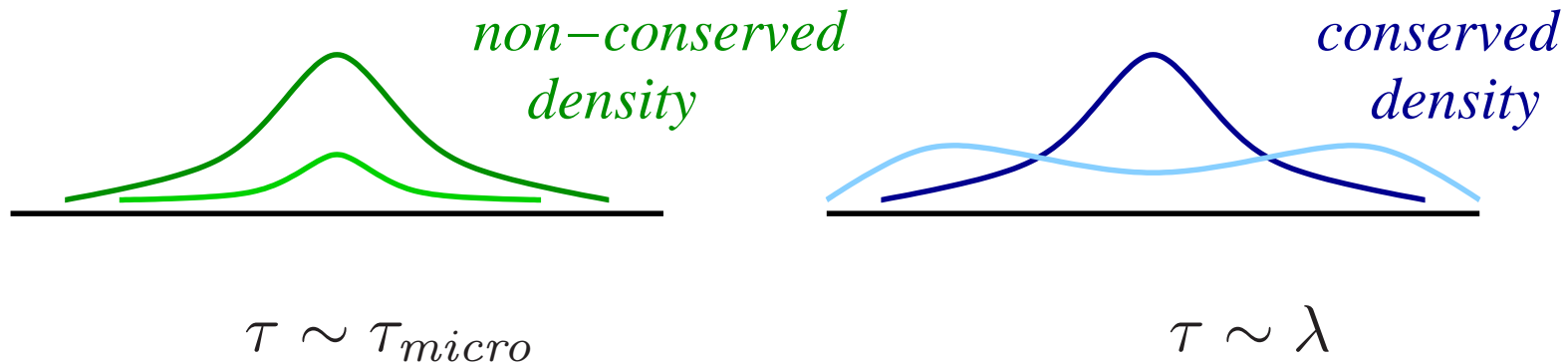
Hydrodynamics

Hydrodynamics (undergraduate version): Newton's law for continuous, deformable media.



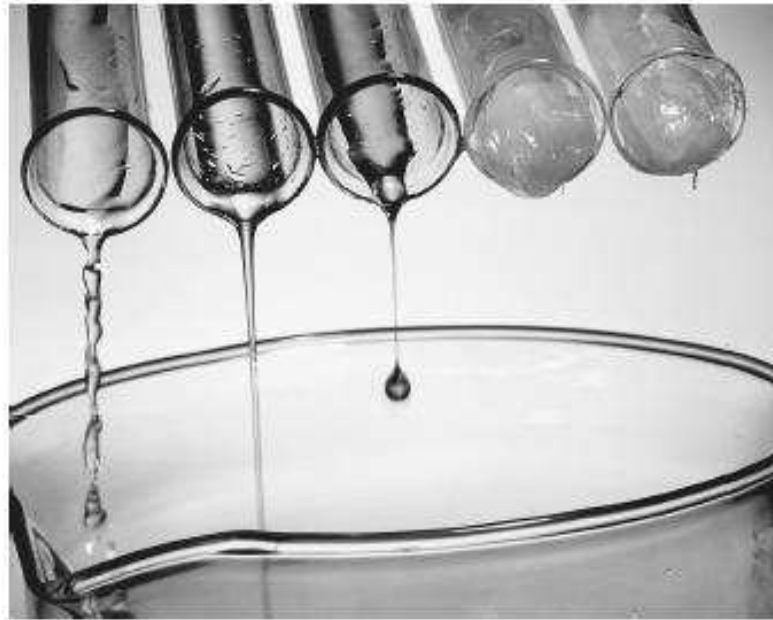
Fluids: Gases, liquids, plasmas, ...

Hydrodynamics (postmodern): Effective theory of non-equilibrium long-wavelength, low-frequency dynamics of any many-body system.



$\tau \gg \tau_{micro}$: Dynamics of conserved charges.

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



παντα ρει (everything flows)

Heraclitus

The mountains flowed before the Lord.

Prophet Deborah, Judges, 5:5

Effective theories for fluids (Unitary Fermi Gas, $T > T_F$)



$$\mathcal{L} = \psi^\dagger \left(i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2M} \right) \psi - \frac{C_0}{2} (\psi^\dagger \psi)^2$$



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



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

Effective theories (Strong coupling)



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

$$SO(d+2, 2) \rightarrow Schr_d^2$$

$$AdS_{d+3} \rightarrow Schr_d^2$$



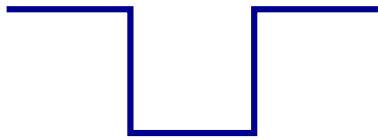
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho v_i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Pi_{ij} = 0 \quad (\omega < T)$$

Outline

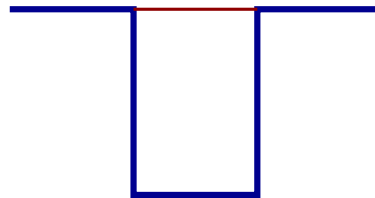
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I. Non-relativistic fermions in unitarity limit

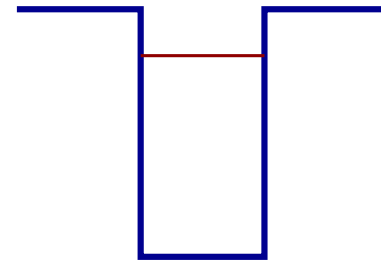
Consider simple square well potential



$$a < 0$$



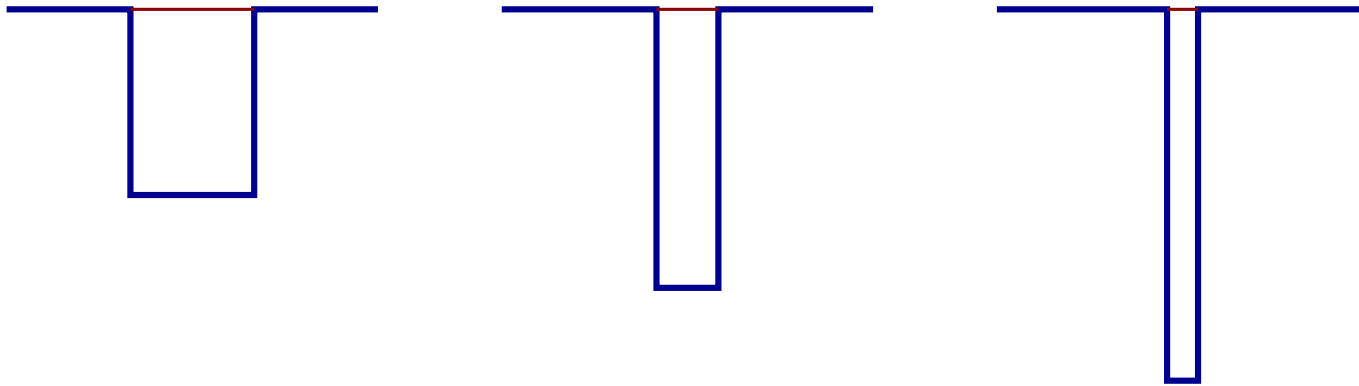
$$a = \infty, \epsilon_B = 0$$



$$a > 0, \epsilon_B > 0$$

Non-relativistic fermions in unitarity limit

Now take the range to zero, keeping $\epsilon_B \simeq 0$



Universal relations

$$\mathcal{T} = \frac{1}{ik + 1/a}$$

$$\epsilon_B = \frac{1}{2ma^2}$$

$$\psi_B \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{ar}} \exp(-r/a)$$

Fermi gas at unitarity: Field Theory

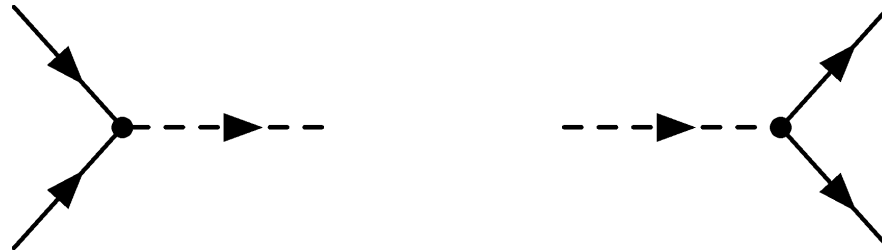
Non-relativistic fermions at low momentum

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \psi^\dagger \left(i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2M} \right) \psi - \frac{C_0}{2} (\psi^\dagger \psi)^2$$

Unitary limit: $a \rightarrow \infty$ (DR: $C_0 \rightarrow \infty$)

This limit is smooth (HS-trafo, $\Psi = (\psi_\uparrow, \psi_\downarrow^\dagger)$)

$$\mathcal{L} = \Psi^\dagger \left[i\partial_0 + \sigma_3 \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2}{2m} \right] \Psi + (\Psi^\dagger \sigma_+ \Psi \phi + h.c.) - \frac{1}{C_0} \phi^* \phi ,$$



II. Gradient expansion (simple non-relativistic fluid)

Simple fluid: Conservation laws for mass, energy, momentum

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

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

$$\frac{\partial \pi_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Pi_{ij} = 0$$

Ward identity: mass current = momentum density

$$\vec{j}^\rho \equiv \rho \vec{v} = \vec{\pi}$$

Constitutive relations: Gradient expansion for currents

Energy momentum tensor

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

Brief remark: Regimes of fluid dynamics

Ideal stress tensor $\Pi_{ij} = P\delta_{ij} + \rho v_i v_j$. Relative importance of the two terms governed by Mach number

$$Ma = \frac{v}{c_s} \quad \text{sound speed } c_s^2 = \frac{\partial P}{\partial \rho}$$

$Ma \ll 1$: Incompressible flow, “gas dynamics”

$Ma \sim 1$: Compressible flow

Fluid dynamic expansion

Gradient expansion for currents, e.g. $\Pi_{ij} = \Pi_{ij}(\rho, v, T)$

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

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

$$\frac{1}{Re} = \frac{\eta}{\hbar n} \times \frac{\hbar}{m v L}$$

fluid property flow property

Consider $m v L \sim \hbar$: Hydrodynamics requires $\eta/(\hbar n) < 1$

“Nearly Perfect Fluid”

Additional remarks

1. Incompressible flows: Expansion parameter $Ma^2 Re^{-1}$.

$Re \gg 1$: Turbulent flow $Re \sim 1$: Highly viscous flow

2. Shocks: Breakdown of gradient expansion $\eta \nabla v \sim \rho v^2$

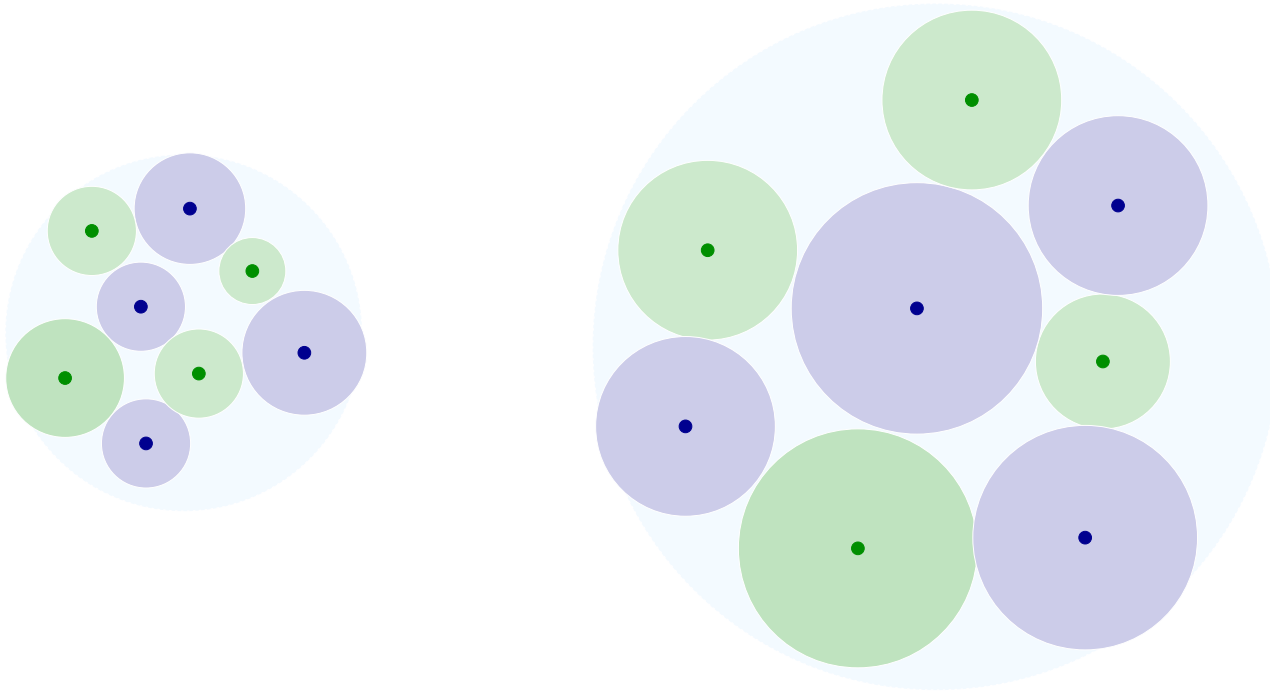
Shock profile unreliable, but jump conditions insensitive to gradient corrections

3. Navier-Stokes problem (finite time blow-up). Relevant to physics?

Not clear (to me). Blow-up could be irrelevant to coarse-grained observables.

III. Scale invariant fluid dynamics

Consider a many body system with $\sigma_{tr} \sim n^{-2/3}$



Systems remains hydrodynamic despite expansion

Conformal fluid dynamics: Symmetries

Symmetries of a conformal non-relativistic fluid

$$\text{Galilean boost} \quad \vec{x}' = \vec{x} + \vec{v}t \quad t' = t$$

$$\text{Scale trafo} \quad \vec{x}' = e^s \vec{x} \quad t' = e^{2s} t$$

$$\text{Conformal trafo} \quad \vec{x}' = \vec{x}/(1 + ct) \quad 1/t' = 1/t + c$$

This is known as the Schrödinger algebra (= the symmetries of the free Schrödinger equation)

Generators: Mass, momentum, angular momentum

$$M = \int dx \rho \quad P_i = \int dx \mathcal{J}_i \quad J_{ij} = \int dx \epsilon_{ijk} x_j \mathcal{J}_k$$

Boost, dilations, special conformal

$$K_i = \int dx x_i \rho \quad D = \int dx x \cdot \mathcal{J} \quad C = \int dx x^2 \rho / 2$$

Spurion method: Local symmetries

Diffeomorphism invariance $\delta x_i = \xi_i(x, t)$

$$\delta g_{ij} = -\mathcal{L}_\xi g_{ij} = -\xi^k \partial_k g_{ij} + \dots$$

Gauge invariance $\delta\psi = i\alpha(x, t)\psi$

$$\delta A_0 = -\dot{\alpha} - \xi^k \partial_k A_0 - A_k \dot{\xi}^k$$

$$\delta A_i = -\partial_i \alpha - \xi^k \partial_k A_i - A_k \partial_i \xi^k + m g_{ik} \dot{\xi}^k$$

Conformal transformations $\delta t = \beta(t)$

$$\delta O = -\beta \dot{O} - \frac{1}{2} \Delta_O \dot{\beta} O$$

More recent work: Newton-Cartan geometry

Example: Stress tensor

Determine transformation properties of fluid dynamic variables

$$\delta\rho = -\mathcal{L}_\xi\rho \quad \delta s = -\mathcal{L}_\xi s \quad \delta v = -\mathcal{L}_\xi v + \dot{\xi}$$

Stress tensor: Ideal fluid dynamics

$$\Pi_{ij}^0 = P g_{ij} + \rho v_i v_j,$$

$$P = \frac{2}{3}\mathcal{E}$$

First order viscous hydrodynamics

$$\delta^{(1)}\Pi_{ij} = -\eta\sigma_{ij} - \zeta g_{ij}\langle\sigma\rangle$$

$$\zeta = 0$$

$$\sigma_{ij} = \left(\nabla_i v_j + \nabla_j v_i - \frac{2}{3} g_{ij} \langle\sigma\rangle \right)$$

$$\langle\sigma\rangle = \nabla \cdot v + \frac{\dot{g}}{2g}$$

Simple application: Kubo formula

Consider background metric $g_{ij}(t, x) = \delta_{ij} + h_{ij}(t, x)$. Linear response

$$\delta\Pi^{xy} = -\frac{1}{2}G_R^{xyxy}h_{xy}$$

Harmonic perturbation $h_{xy} = h_0 e^{-i\omega t}$

$$G_R^{xyxy} = P - i\eta\omega + \dots$$

Kubo relation:
$$\eta = -\lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{\omega} \text{Im} G_R^{xyxy}(\omega, 0) \right]$$

Second order conformal hydrodynamics

Second order gradient corrections to stress tensor

$$\delta^{(2)}\Pi^{ij} = \eta\tau_\pi \left[\langle D\sigma^{ij} \rangle + \frac{2}{3}\sigma^{ij}(\nabla \cdot v) \right] \\ + \lambda_1 \sigma^{\langle i}_k \sigma^{j \rangle k} + \lambda_2 \sigma^{\langle i}_k \Omega^{j \rangle k} + \lambda_3 \Omega^{\langle i}_k \Omega^{j \rangle k} + O(\nabla^2 T)$$

$$D = \partial_0 + v \cdot \nabla \quad A^{\langle ij \rangle} = \frac{1}{2} (A_{ij} + A_{ji} - \frac{2}{3} g_{ij} A^k_k) \quad \Omega^{ij} = (\nabla_i v_j - \nabla_j v_i)$$

New transport coefficients $\tau_\pi, \lambda_i, \gamma_i$

Can be written as a relaxation equation for $\pi^{ij} \equiv \delta\Pi^{ij}$

$$\pi^{ij} = -\eta\sigma^{ij} - \tau_\pi \left[\langle D\pi^{ij} \rangle + \frac{5}{3}(\nabla \cdot v)\pi^{ij} \right] + \dots$$

Second order fluid dynamics: Causality

“Speed” of diffusive wave in Navier-Stokes theory

$$v_D = \frac{\partial|\omega|}{\partial k} = \frac{2\eta}{\rho} k$$

May encounter $v_D \gg c_s$

Not a fundamental problem (should impose $k < \Lambda$), but a nuisance in simulations.

Second order fluid dynamics, relaxation type

$$i\omega = \frac{\nu k^2}{1 - i\omega\tau_\pi} \quad (\text{“resummed hydro”})$$

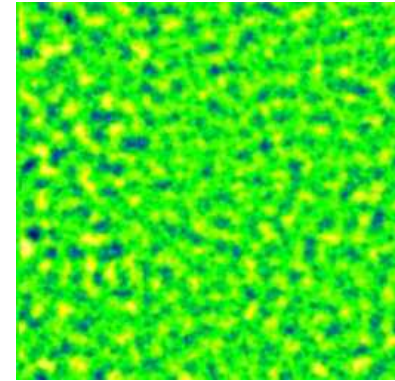
Limiting speed $v_D^\infty \sim \sqrt{\eta/(\rho\tau_\pi)}$

Find $v_D^\infty \sim c_s$ for $\tau_\pi = \eta/P$.

IV. Beyond gradients: Hydrodynamic fluctuations

Hydrodynamic variables fluctuate

$$\langle \delta v_i(x, t) \delta v_j(x', t) \rangle = \frac{T}{\rho} \delta_{ij} \delta(x - x')$$



Linearized hydrodynamics propagates fluctuations as shear or sound

$$\langle \delta v_i^T \delta v_j^T \rangle_{\omega, k} = \frac{2T}{\rho} (\delta_{ij} - \hat{k}_i \hat{k}_j) \frac{\nu k^2}{\omega^2 + (\nu k^2)^2} \quad \textit{shear}$$

$$\langle \delta v_i^L \delta v_j^L \rangle_{\omega, k} = \frac{2T}{\rho} \hat{k}_i \hat{k}_j \frac{\omega k^2 \Gamma}{(\omega^2 - c_s^2 k^2)^2 + (\omega k^2 \Gamma)^2} \quad \textit{sound}$$

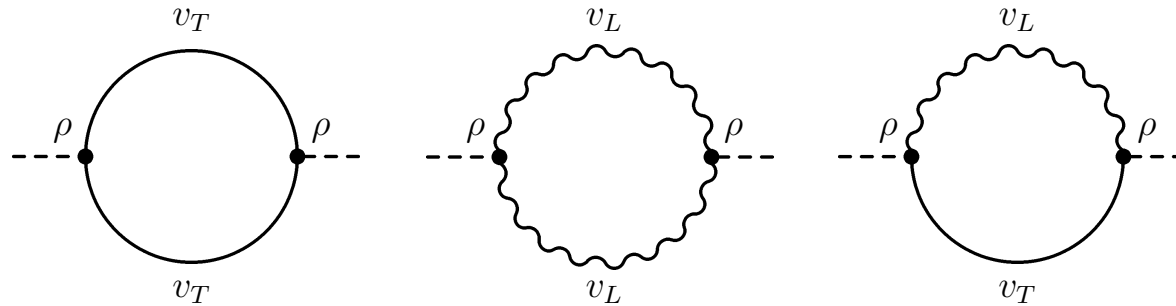
$$v = v_T + v_L: \quad \nabla \cdot v_T = 0, \quad \nabla \times v_L = 0$$

$$\nu = \eta/\rho, \quad \Gamma = \frac{4}{3}\nu + \dots$$

Hydro Loops: “Breakdown” of second order hydro

Correlation function in hydrodynamics

$$G_S^{xyxy} = \langle \{ \Pi^{xy}, \Pi^{xy} \} \rangle_{\omega, k} \simeq \rho_0^2 \langle \{ v_x v_y, v_x v_y \} \rangle_{\omega, k}$$



Match to response function in $\omega \rightarrow 0$ (Kubo) limit

$$G_R^{xyxy} = P + \delta P - i\omega[\eta + \delta\eta] + \omega^2 [\eta\tau_\pi + \delta(\eta\tau_\pi)]$$

with

$$\delta P \sim T\Lambda^3 \quad \delta\eta \sim \frac{T\rho\Lambda}{\eta} \quad \delta(\eta\tau_\pi) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{\omega}} \frac{T\rho^{3/2}}{\eta^{3/2}}$$

Hydro Loops: RG and “breakdown” of 2nd order hydro

Cutoff dependence can be absorbed into bare parameters. Non-analytic terms are cutoff independent.

Fluid dynamics is a “renormalizable” effective theory.

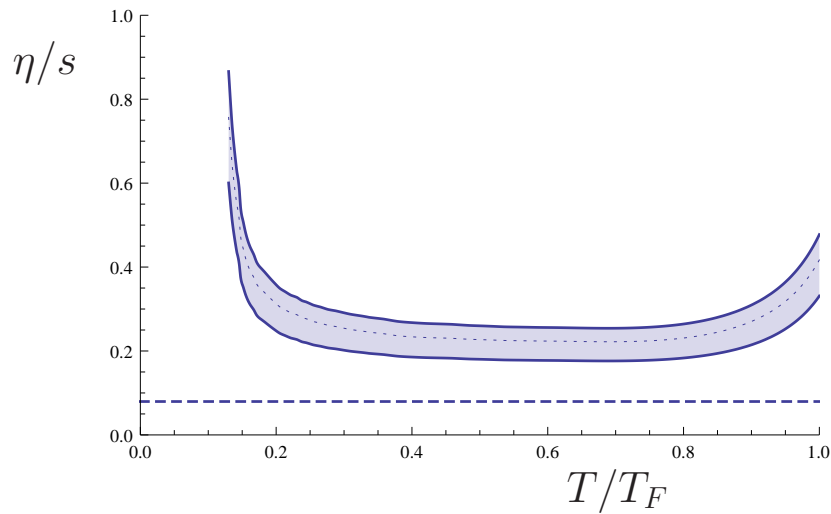
Small η enhances fluctuation corrections: $\delta\eta \sim T \left(\frac{\rho}{\eta}\right)^2 \left(\frac{P}{\rho}\right)^{1/2}$

Small η leads to large $\delta\eta$: There must be a bound on η/n .

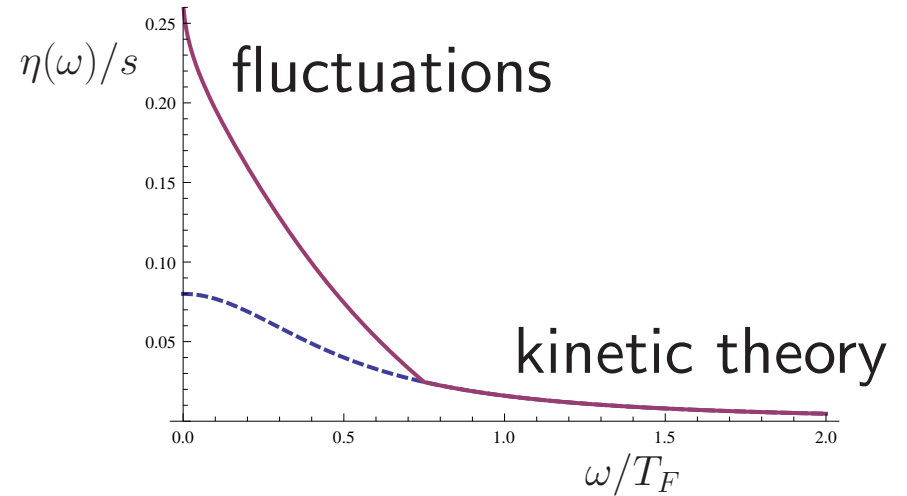
Relaxation time diverges: $\delta(\eta\tau_\pi) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{\omega}} \left(\frac{\rho}{\eta}\right)^{3/2}$

2nd order hydro without fluctuations inconsistent.

Fluctuation induced bound on η/s



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



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

V. Effective field theory?

Consider $T = 0$ systems with broken $U(1)$ (superfluids).

Goldstone mode φ . Impose exact gauge & Galilei invariance

$$\mathcal{L} = P(X) + O(\nabla X) \qquad X = \mu - \partial_0 \varphi - \frac{(\nabla \varphi)^2}{2m}$$

Standard EFT: Expand in gradients

$$\mathcal{L} = f^2 [(\partial_0 \varphi)^2 - c_s^2 (\nabla \varphi)^2] + g(\partial_0 \varphi)(\nabla \varphi)^2 + \dots$$

Define hydrodynamic variables

$$n = P'(X) \qquad v_s = \frac{1}{m} \nabla \varphi$$

Use Euler equation for φ & Gibbs-Duhem $\nabla P = n \nabla \mu$

$$\partial_0 n + \frac{1}{m} \nabla(n \nabla \varphi) = 0 \qquad \partial_0 v_s + \frac{1}{2} \nabla v_s^2 = -\frac{1}{m} \nabla \mu$$

Superfluid hydrodynamics

Remarks

(Quantum) loop corections?

Calculable, but highly suppressed.

Can this be extended to $T \neq 0$?

Not directly, fluid dynamics is irreversible.

Can construct generating functional for linearized hydro. Simple example: Diffusion $\partial_0 n = D \nabla^2 n$ (model B)

$$Z = \int Dn D\psi e^{iS}, \quad S = \int dx dt [\psi \partial_0 n - \psi D \nabla^2 n + i D \psi \chi T (\nabla \psi)^2]$$

Analytic structure? Higher order terms?

VI. Kinetic theory

Microscopic picture: Quasi-particle distribution function $f_p(x, t)$

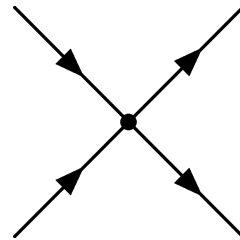
$$\rho(x, t) = \int d\Gamma_p \sqrt{g} m f_p(x, t) \quad \pi_i(x, t) = \int d\Gamma_p \sqrt{g} p_i f_p(x, t)$$

$$\Pi_{ij}(x, t) = \int d\Gamma_p \sqrt{g} p_i v_j f_p(x, t)$$

Boltzmann equation

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{p^i}{m} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} - \left(g^{il} \dot{g}_{lj} p^j + \Gamma_{jk}^i \frac{p^j p^k}{m} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial p^i} \right) f_p(t, x,) = C[f]$$

$$C[f] =$$



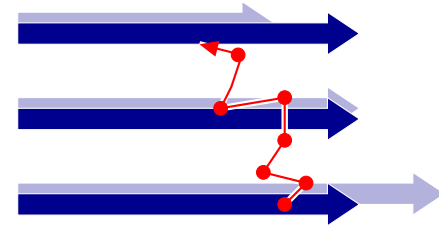
Solve order-by-order in Knudsen number $Kn = l_{mfp}/L$

Kinetic theory: Knudsen expansion

Chapman-Enskog expansion $f = f_0 + \delta f_1 + \delta f_2 + \dots$

Gradient exp. $\delta f_n = O(\nabla^n)$

\equiv Knudsen exp. $\delta f_n = O(Kn^n)$



First order result

Bruun, Smith (2005)

$$\delta^{(1)}\Pi^{ij} = -\eta\sigma^{ij} \quad \eta = \frac{15}{32\sqrt{\pi}}(mT)^{3/2}$$

Second order result

Chao, Schaefer (2012), Schaefer (2014)

$$\delta^{(2)}\Pi^{ij} = \frac{\eta^2}{P} \left[\langle D\sigma^{ij} \rangle + \frac{2}{3}\sigma^{ij}(\nabla \cdot v) \right] + \frac{\eta^2}{P} \left[\frac{15}{14}\sigma^{i \langle k} \sigma^{j \rangle k} - \sigma^{i \langle k} \Omega^{j \rangle k} \right] + O(\kappa\eta\nabla^i\nabla^j T)$$

relaxation time $\tau_\pi = \eta/P$

Knudsen vs fugacity expansion

Knudsen expansion

$$\delta f^{(1)} \sim \frac{\eta}{\rho T^2} p^i p^j \sigma_{ij} \quad \delta f^{(2)} \sim O(\eta^2 \sigma^2)$$

Fugacity expansion

$$\eta = (n\lambda^3) \{ \eta_0 + \eta_1(n\lambda^3) + \dots \}$$

Analog of virial expansion for equilibrium properties.

Dense gas $(n\lambda^3) \sim 1$: Kinetic theory not applicable.

Relativistic theories $(n\lambda^3) = 1$: Coupling constant expansion.

Frequency dependence, breakdown of kinetic theory

Consider harmonic perturbation $h_{xy}e^{-i\omega t+ikx}$. Use schematic collision term $C[f_p^0 + \delta f_p] = -\delta f_p/\tau$.

$$\delta f_p(\omega, k) = \frac{1}{2T} \frac{-i\omega p_x v_y}{-i\omega + i\vec{v} \cdot \vec{k} + \tau_0^{-1}} f_p^0 h_{xy}.$$

Leads to Lorentzian line shape of transport peak

$$\eta(\omega) = \frac{\eta(0)}{1 + \omega^2 \tau_0^2}$$

Pole at $\omega = i\tau_0^{-1}$ ($\tau_0 = \eta/(sT)$) controls range of convergence of gradient expansion.

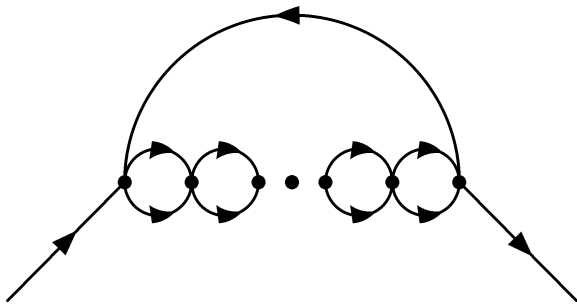
High frequency behavior misses short range correlations for $\omega > T$.

Bulk viscosity and conformal symmetry breaking

Conformal symmetry breaking (thermodynamics)

$$1 - \frac{2\mathcal{E}}{3P} = \frac{\langle \mathcal{O}_c \rangle}{12\pi m a P} \sim \frac{1}{6\pi} n \lambda^3 \frac{\lambda}{a}$$

How does this translate into $\zeta \neq 0$? Momentum dependent $m^*(p)$.



$$Im \Sigma(k) \sim zT \sqrt{\frac{T}{\epsilon_k}} Erf \left(\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_k}{T}} \right) \ll T$$

$$Re \Sigma(k) \sim zT \frac{\lambda}{a} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\epsilon_k}} F_D \left(\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_k}{T}} \right)$$

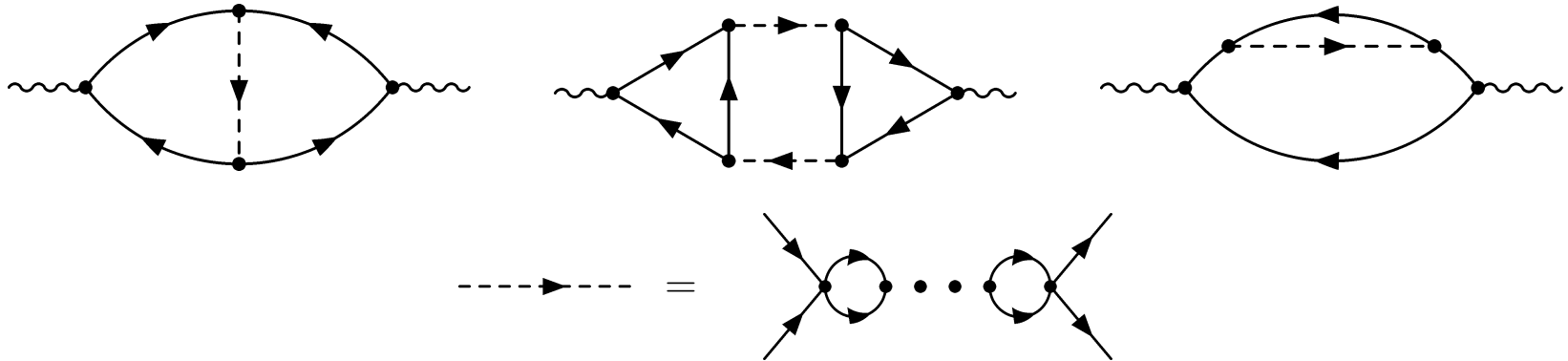
Bulk viscosity

$$\zeta = \frac{1}{24\sqrt{2}\pi} \lambda^{-3} \left(\frac{z\lambda}{a} \right)^2$$

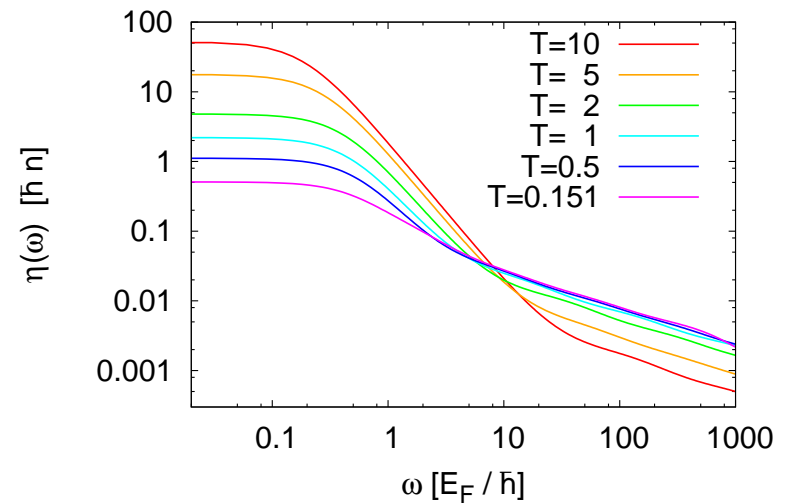
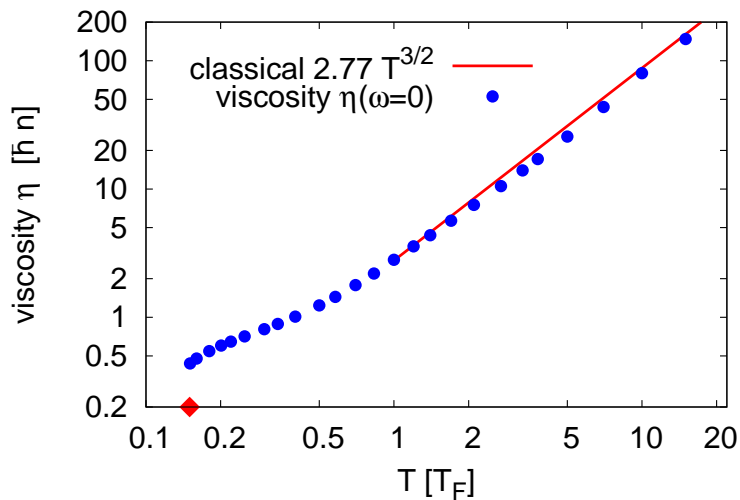
$$\zeta \sim \left(1 - \frac{2\mathcal{E}}{3P} \right)^2 \eta$$

VII. Quantum Field Theory

The diagrammatic content of the Boltzmann equation is known: Kubo formula with “Maki-Thompson” + “Azlamov-Larkin” + “Self-energy”



Can be used to extrapolate Boltzmann result to $T \sim T_F$



Short time behavior: OPE

Operator product expansion (OPE)

$$\eta(\omega) = \sum_n \frac{\langle \mathcal{O}_n \rangle}{\omega^{(\Delta_n - d)/2}} \quad \mathcal{O}_n(\lambda^2 t, \lambda x) = \lambda^{-\Delta_n} \mathcal{O}_n(t, x)$$

Leading operator: Contact density (Tan)

$$\mathcal{O}_c = C_0^2 \psi \psi \psi^\dagger \psi^\dagger = \Phi \Phi^\dagger \quad \Delta_c = 4$$

$\eta(\omega) \sim \langle \mathcal{O}_c \rangle / \sqrt{\omega}$. Asymptotic behavior + analyticity gives sum rule

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int d\omega \left[\eta(\omega) - \frac{\langle \mathcal{O}_c \rangle}{15\pi \sqrt{m\omega}} \right] = \frac{\mathcal{E}}{3}$$

Randeria, Taylor (2010), Enss, Zwerger (2011), Hoffman (2013)

VIII. Holography

DLCQ idea: Light cone compactification of relativistic theory in $d+2$

$$p_\mu p^\mu = 2p_+ p_- - p_\perp^2 = 0 \quad p_- = \frac{p_\perp^2}{2p_+} \quad p_+ = \frac{2n+1}{L}$$

Galilean invariant theory in $d+1$ dimensions.

String theory embedding: Null Melvin Twist

$$AdS_{d+3} \xrightarrow{\text{NMT}} Schr_d^2$$

$$Iso(AdS_{d+3}) = SO(d+2, 2) \supset Schr(d)$$

Son (2008), Balasubramanian et al. (2008)

Other ideas: Horava-Lifshitz (Karch, 2013)

Schrödinger Metric

Coordinates (u, v, \vec{x}, r) , periodic in v , $\vec{x} = (x, y)$

$$ds^2 = \frac{r^2}{k(r)^{2/3}} \left\{ \left[\frac{1 - f(r)}{4\beta^2} - r^2 f(r) \right] du^2 + \frac{\beta^2 r_+^4}{r^4} dv^2 - [1 + f(r)] du dv \right\} \\ + k(r)^{1/3} \left\{ r^2 d\vec{x}^2 + \frac{dr^2}{r^2 f(r)} \right\}$$

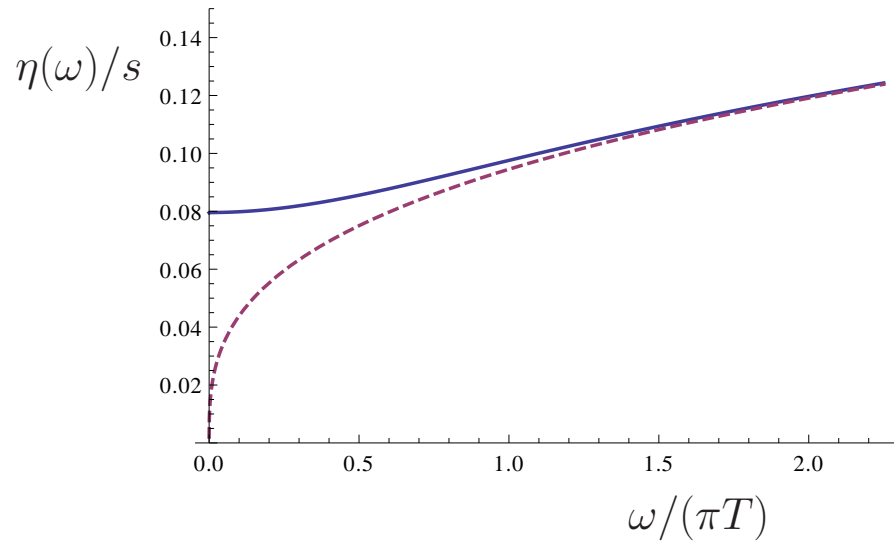
Fluctuations $\delta g_x^y = e^{-i\omega u} \chi(\omega, r)$ satisfy ($u = (r_+/r)^2$)

$$\chi''(\omega, u) - \frac{1 + u^2}{f(u)u} \chi'(\omega, u) + \frac{u}{f(u)^2} \omega^2 \chi(\omega, u) = 0$$

Retarded correlation function

$$G_R(\omega) = \frac{\beta r_+^3 \Delta v}{4\pi G_5} \left. \frac{f(u) \chi'(\omega, u)}{u \chi(\omega, u)} \right|_{u \rightarrow 0}.$$

Spectral function



$$\eta(0)/s = 1/(4\pi)$$

$$\eta(\omega \rightarrow \infty) \sim \omega^{1/3}$$

Kubo relation (incl. τ_π): $G_R(\omega) = P - i\eta\omega + \tau_\pi\eta\omega^2 + \kappa_R k^2$

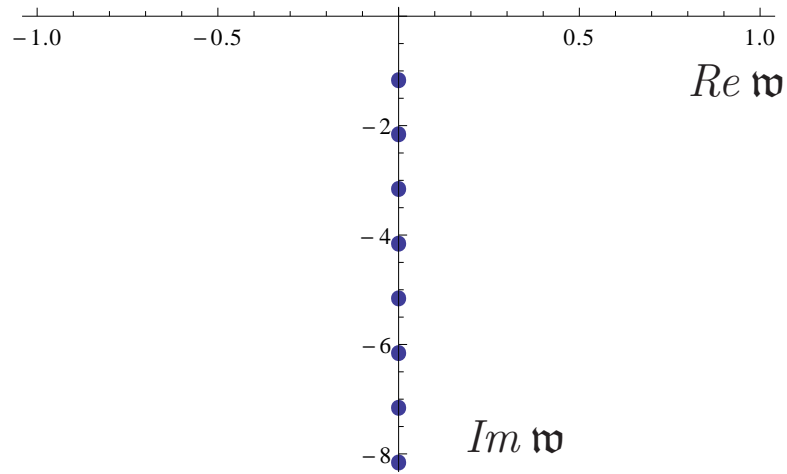
$$\tau_\pi T = -\frac{\log(2)}{2\pi}$$

$$AdS_5 : \tau_\pi T = \frac{2 - \log(2)}{2\pi}$$

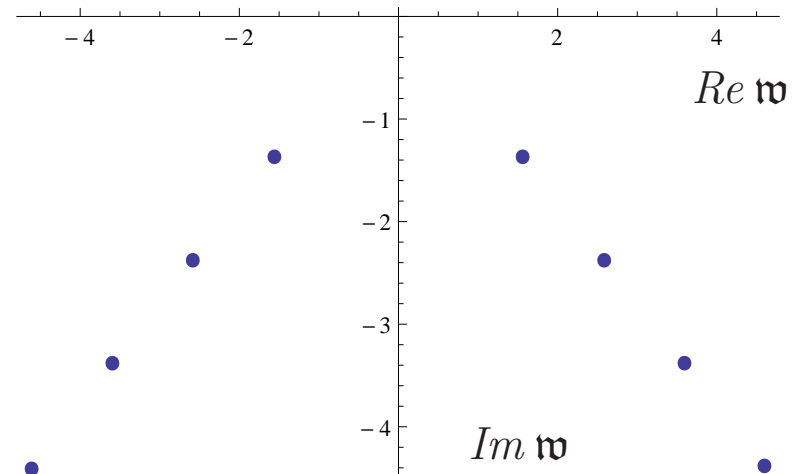
Range of validity of fluid dynamics: $\omega < T$

*Sch*₂: Cannot be matched to relaxation type hydro?

Quasi-normal modes



Sch_2^2



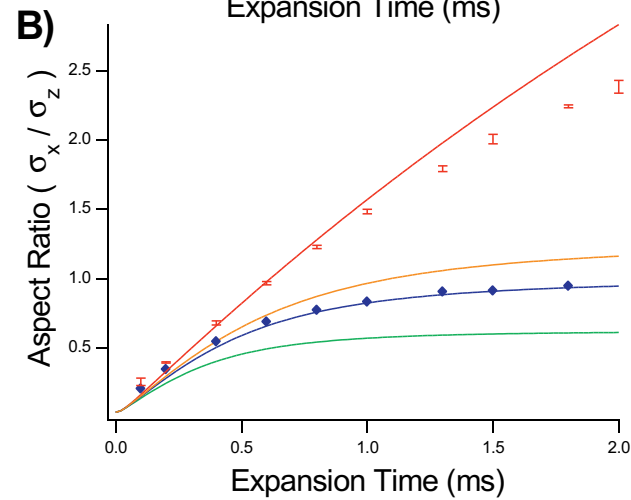
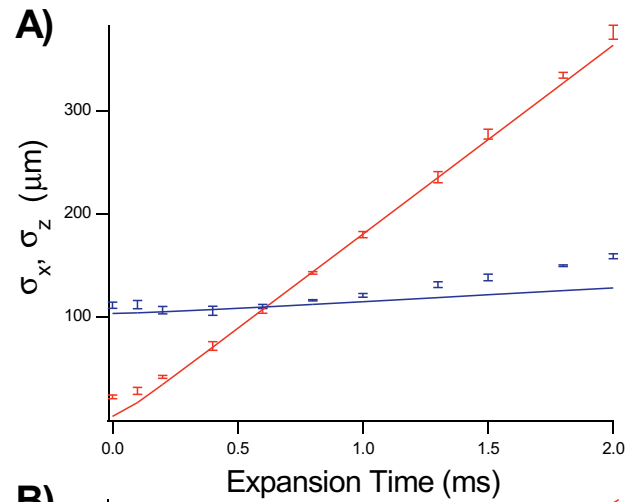
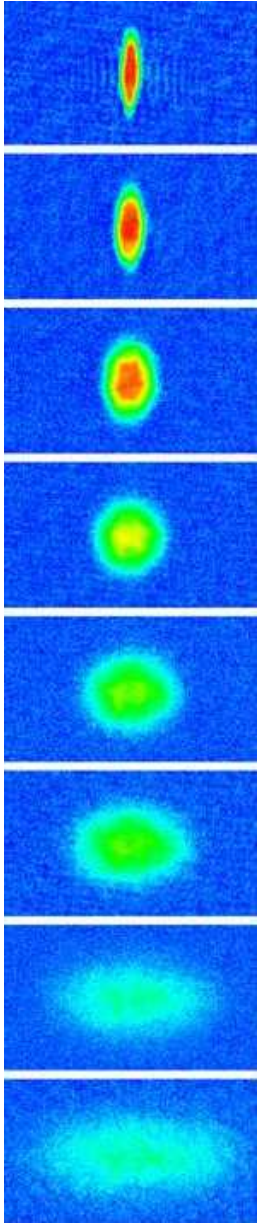
AdS_5

QNM's are stable, $Im \lambda < 0$.

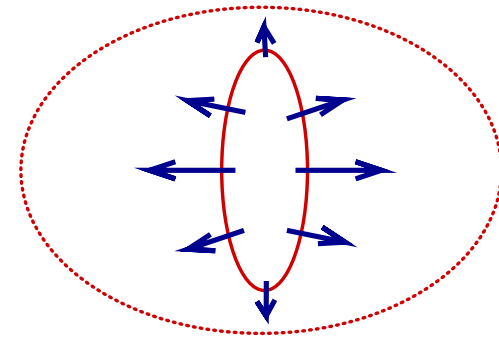
Pole at $\omega \sim iT$ limits convergence of fluid dynamics.

Also: Gradient expansion only asymptotic.

IX. Experiments: Flow and Collective Modes

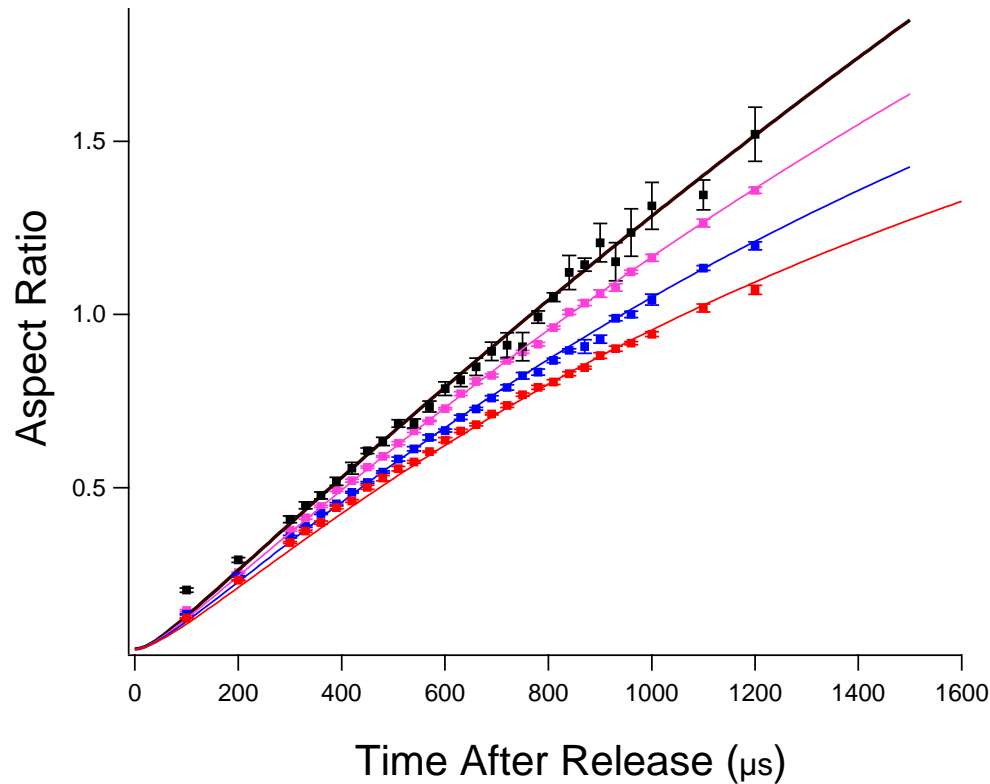
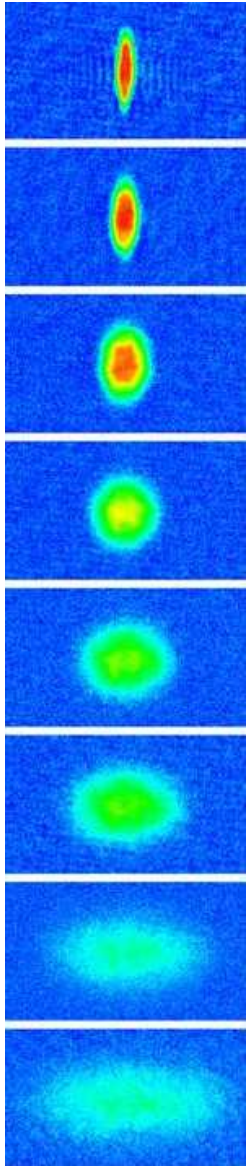


Hydrodynamic
expansion converts
coordinate space
anisotropy
to momentum space
anisotropy



Elliptic flow: High T limit

$$\text{Quantum viscosity } \eta = \eta_0 \frac{(mT)^{3/2}}{\hbar^2}$$



$$\eta = \eta_0 (mT)^{3/2}$$

$$\tau_\pi = \eta / P$$

Cao et al., Science (2010)

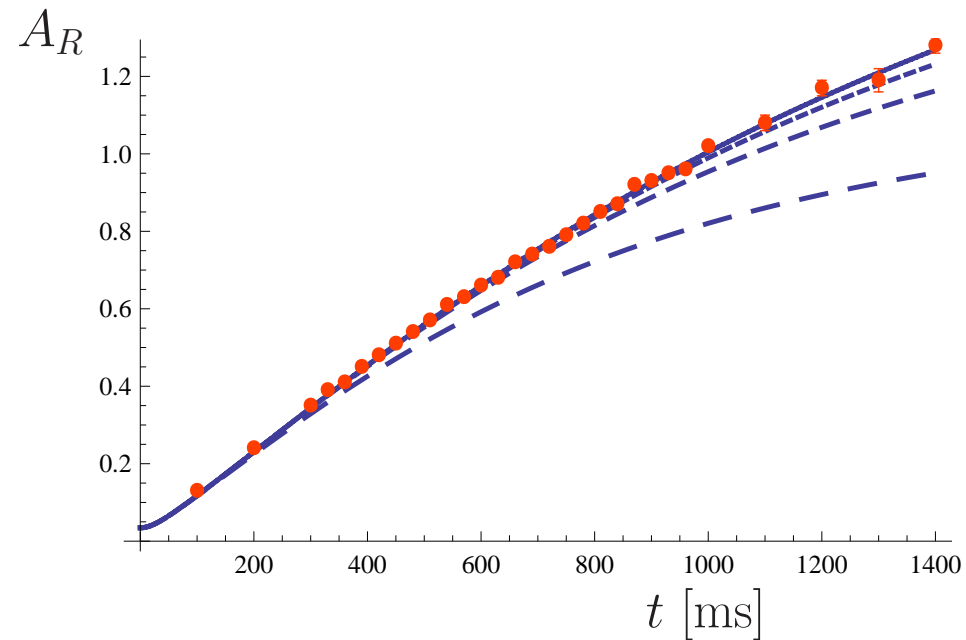
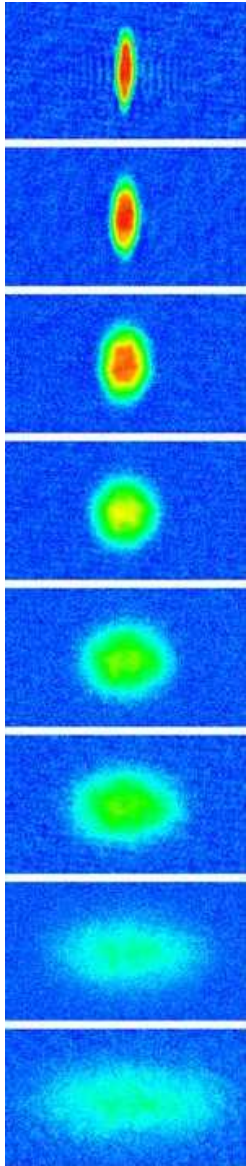
$$\text{fit: } \eta_0 = 0.33 \pm 0.04$$

$$\text{theory: } \eta_0 = \frac{15}{32\sqrt{\pi}} = 0.26$$

Elliptic flow: Freezeout?

switch from hydro to (weakly collisional) kinetics

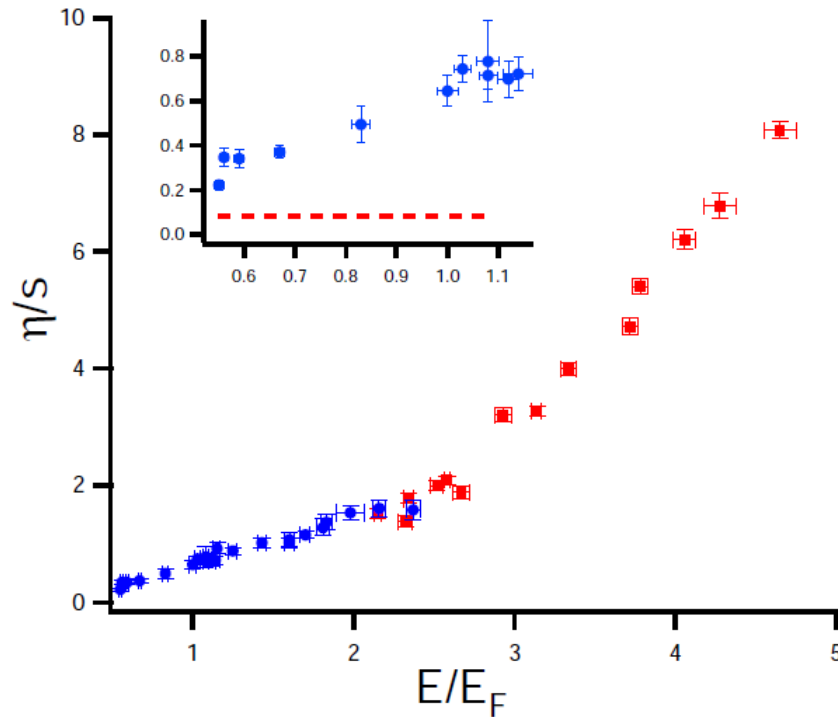
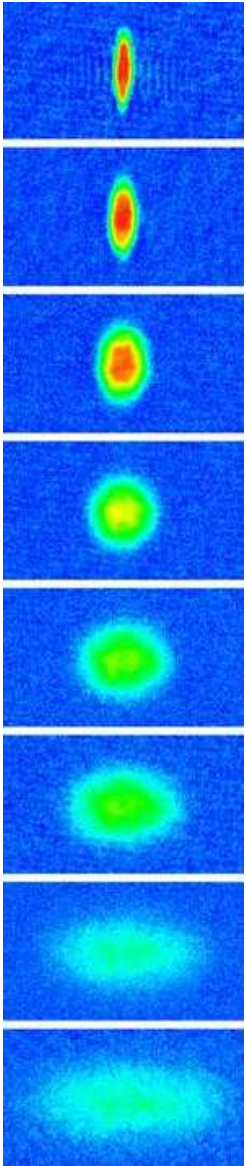
at scale factor $b_{\perp}^{fr} = 1, 5, 10, 20$



no freezeout seen in the data

Viscosity to entropy density ratio

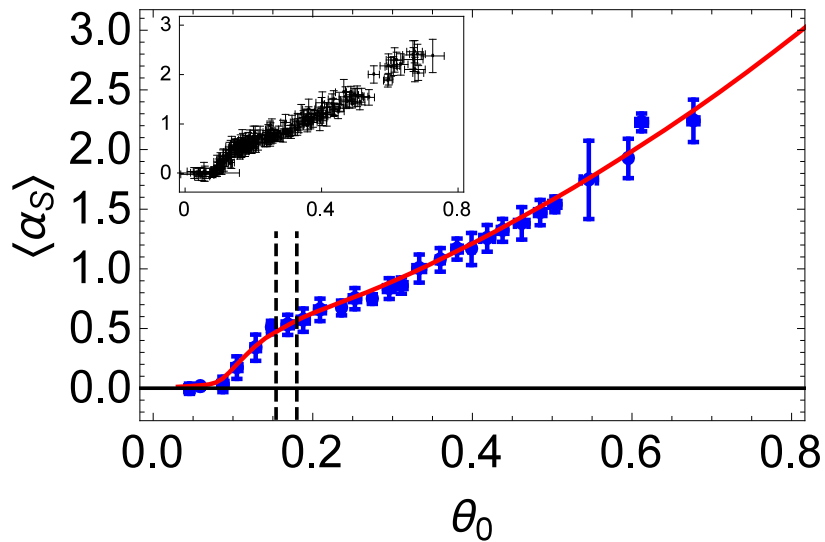
consider both collective modes (low T)
and elliptic flow (high T)



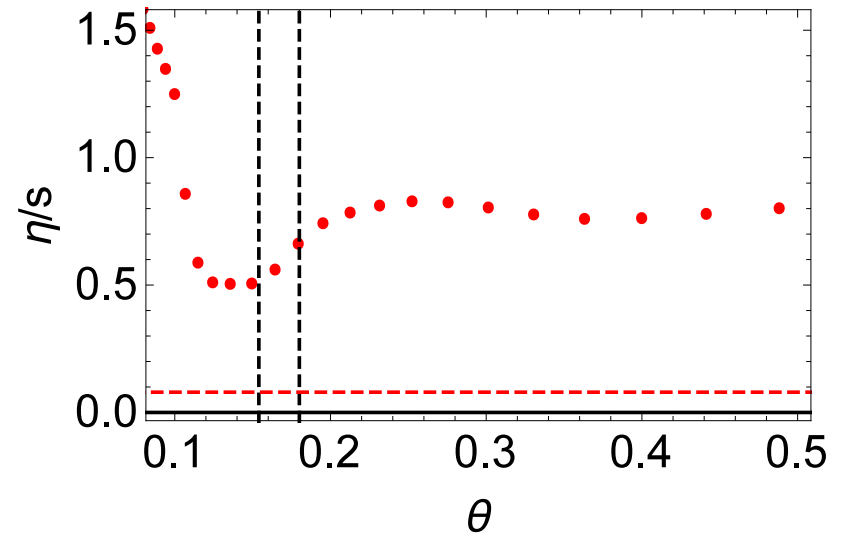
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$$\eta/s \leq 0.4$$

Viscosity to entropy density ratio (recent update)



(η/n) drops to zero
in superfluid phase



(η/s) has a minimum
near T_c

Outlook

Fluid dynamics as an E(F)T: Many interesting questions remain.

Experiment: Main issue is temperature, density dependence of η/s . How to unfold?

Need hydro codes that exit “gracefully” (LBE, anisotropic hydro, hydro+cascade)

Quasi-particles vs quasi-normal modes (kinetics vs holography) unresolved. Need better holographic models, improved lattice calculations.