

Fluctuations in the fluid dynamics of heavy ion collisions

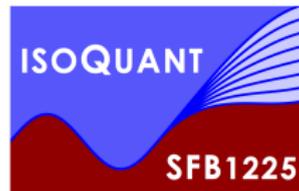
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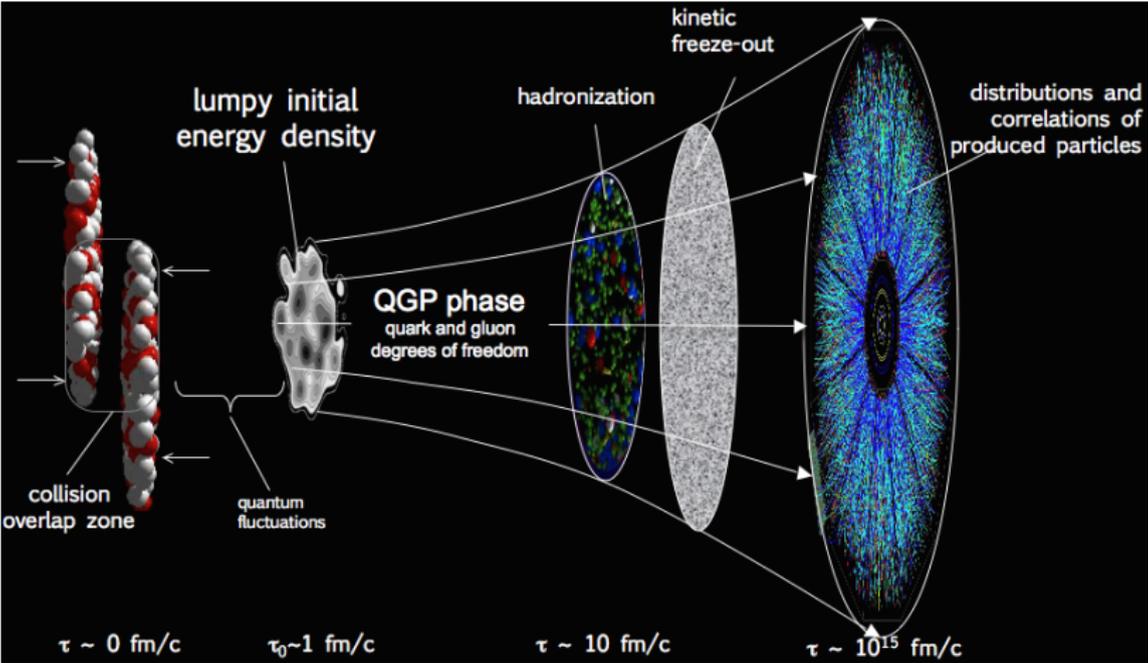
Functional Methods in Strongly Correlated Systems
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Little bangs in the laboratory



Fluid dynamics



- long distances, long times or strong enough interactions
- matter or quantum fields form a fluid!
- needs **macroscopic** fluid properties
 - thermodynamic equation of state $p(T, \mu)$
 - shear viscosity $\eta(T, \mu)$
 - bulk viscosity $\zeta(T, \mu)$
 - heat conductivity $\kappa(T, \mu)$
 - relaxation times, ...
- *ab initio* calculation of fluid properties difficult but fixed by **microscopic** properties in \mathcal{L}_{QCD}

Relativistic fluid dynamics

Energy-momentum tensor and conserved current

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu + (p + \pi_{\text{bulk}})\Delta^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu}$$

$$N^\mu = n u^\mu + \nu^\mu$$

- tensor decomposition using fluid velocity u^μ , $\Delta^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} + u^\mu u^\nu$
- thermodynamic equation of state $p = p(T, \mu)$

Covariant **conservation laws** $\nabla_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$ and $\nabla_\mu N^\mu = 0$ imply

- equation for **energy density** ϵ

$$u^\mu \partial_\mu \epsilon + (\epsilon + p + \pi_{\text{bulk}})\nabla_\mu u^\mu + \pi^{\mu\nu}\nabla_\mu u_\nu = 0$$

- equation for **fluid velocity** u^μ

$$(\epsilon + p + \pi_{\text{bulk}})u^\mu \nabla_\mu u^\nu + \Delta^{\nu\mu}\partial_\mu(p + \pi_{\text{bulk}}) + \Delta^\nu{}_\alpha \nabla_\mu \pi^{\mu\alpha} = 0$$

- equation for **particle number density** n

$$u^\mu \partial_\mu n + n \nabla_\mu u^\mu + \nabla_\mu \nu^\mu = 0$$

Constitutive relations

Second order relativistic fluid dynamics:

- equation for **shear stress** $\pi^{\mu\nu}$

$$\tau_{\text{shear}} P^{\rho\sigma}{}_{\alpha\beta} u^\mu \nabla_\mu \pi^{\alpha\beta} + \pi^{\rho\sigma} + 2\eta P^{\rho\sigma\alpha}{}_\beta \nabla_\alpha u^\beta + \dots = 0$$

with **shear viscosity** $\eta(T, \mu)$

- equation for **bulk viscous pressure** π_{bulk}

$$\tau_{\text{bulk}} u^\mu \partial_\mu \pi_{\text{bulk}} + \pi_{\text{bulk}} + \zeta \nabla_\mu u^\mu + \dots = 0$$

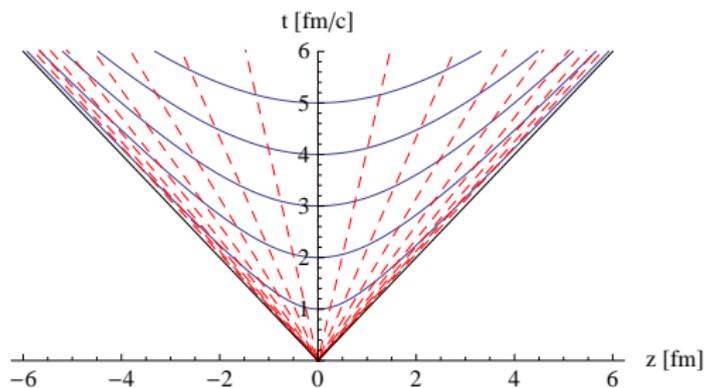
with **bulk viscosity** $\zeta(T, \mu)$

- equation for **baryon diffusion current** ν^μ

$$\tau_{\text{heat}} \Delta^\alpha{}_\beta u^\mu \nabla_\mu \nu^\beta + \nu^\alpha + \kappa \left[\frac{nT}{\epsilon + p} \right]^2 \Delta^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\beta \left(\frac{\mu}{T} \right) + \dots = 0$$

with **heat conductivity** $\kappa(T, \mu)$

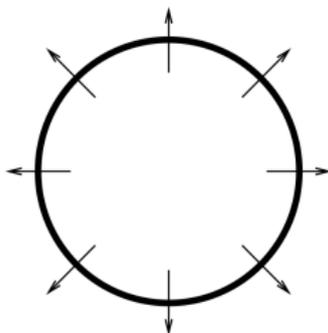
Bjorken boost invariance



How does the fluid velocity look like?

- Bjorken's guess: $v_z(t, x, y, z) = z/t$
- leads to an invariance under Lorentz-boosts in the z -direction
- use coordinates $\tau = \sqrt{t^2 - z^2}$, x , y , $\eta = \text{arctanh}(z/t)$
- Bjorken boost symmetry is reasonably accurate close to mid-rapidity $\eta \approx 0$

Transverse expansion



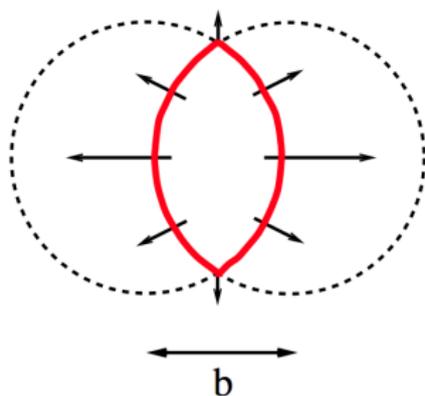
- for central collisions ($r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$)

$$\epsilon = \epsilon(\tau, r)$$

- initial pressure gradient leads to **radial flow**

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} f(\tau, r)$$

Non-central collisions



- pressure gradients larger in reaction plane
- leads to larger fluid velocity in this direction
- more particles fly in this direction
- can be quantified in terms of elliptic flow v_2
- particle distribution

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} = \frac{N}{2\pi} \left[1 + 2 \sum_m v_m \cos(m(\phi - \psi_R)) \right]$$

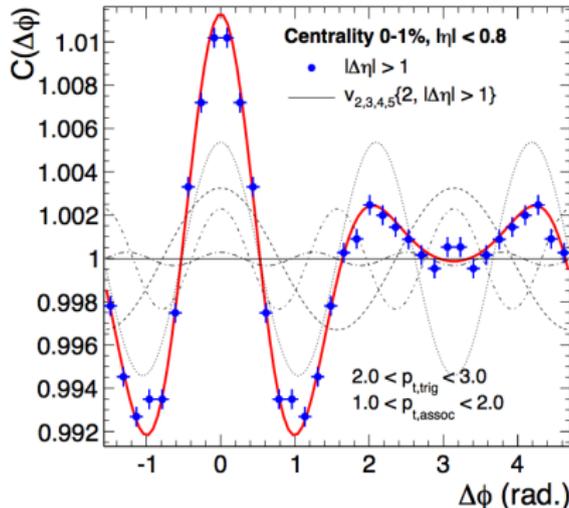
- symmetry $\phi \rightarrow \phi + \pi$ implies $v_1 = v_3 = v_5 = \dots = 0$.

Two-particle correlation function

- normalized two-particle correlation function

$$C(\phi_1, \phi_2) = \frac{\langle \frac{dN}{d\phi_1} \frac{dN}{d\phi_2} \rangle_{\text{events}}}{\langle \frac{dN}{d\phi_1} \rangle_{\text{events}} \langle \frac{dN}{d\phi_2} \rangle_{\text{events}}} = 1 + 2 \sum_m v_m^2 \cos(m(\phi_1 - \phi_2))$$

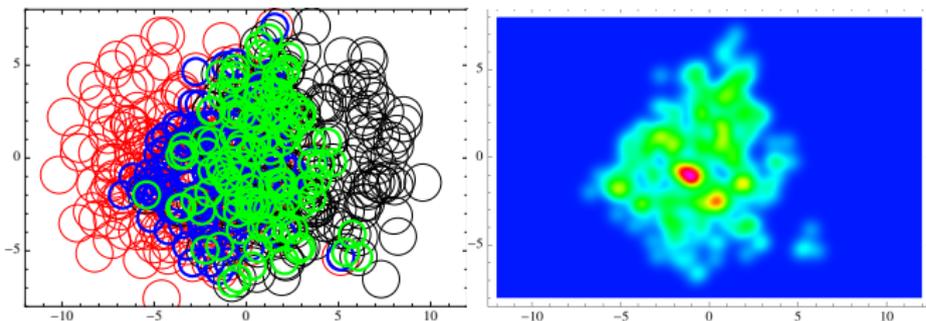
- surprisingly v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5 and v_6 are all non-zero!



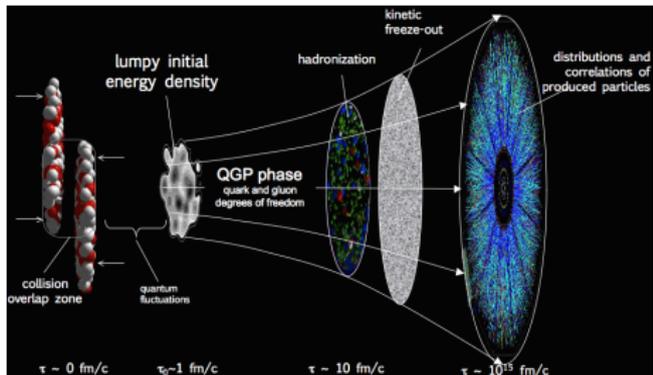
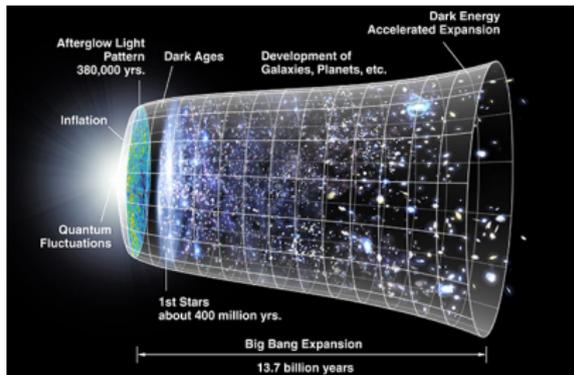
[ALICE 2011, similar results from CMS, ATLAS, Phenix, Star]

Event-by-event fluctuations

- deviations from symmetric initial energy density distribution from event-by-event fluctuations
- one example is Glauber model



Big bang – little bang analogy



- cosmol. scale: $\text{Mpc} = 3.1 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}$

- Gravity + QED + Dark sector

- one big event

- nuclear scale: $\text{fm} = 10^{-15} \text{ m}$

- QCD

- very many events

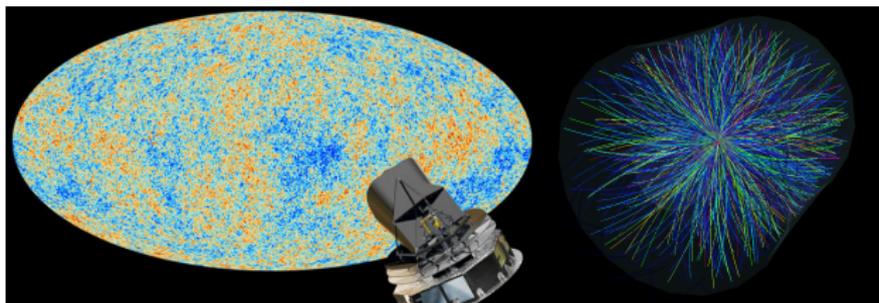
- initial conditions not directly accessible

- all information must be reconstructed from final state

- dynamical description as a fluid

- fluctuating initial state

Similarities to cosmological fluctuation analysis



- fluctuation spectrum contains info from early times
- many numbers can be measured and compared to theory
- can lead to detailed understanding of evolution

What perturbations are interesting and why?

- Fluid fluctuations
 - energy density ϵ
 - fluid velocity u^μ
 - shear stress $\pi^{\mu\nu}$
 - more general also: baryon number density n , electric charge density, electromagnetic fields, ...
- **Initial fluid perturbations**
 - governed by universal evolution equations
 - can be used to constrain thermodynamic and transport properties
 - contain interesting information from early times
- **Thermal and quantum fluid fluctuations**
 - needed for more detailed description
 - could grow large close to critical point
- **Non-fluid fluctuations**
 - feed down from energy loss of hard particles or jets

A program to understand initial fluid perturbations

- 1 characterize initial perturbations
- 2 propagated them through fluid dynamic regime
- 3 determine influence on particle spectra and harmonic flow coefficients

Mode expansion for fluid fields

Bessel-Fourier expansion at initial time

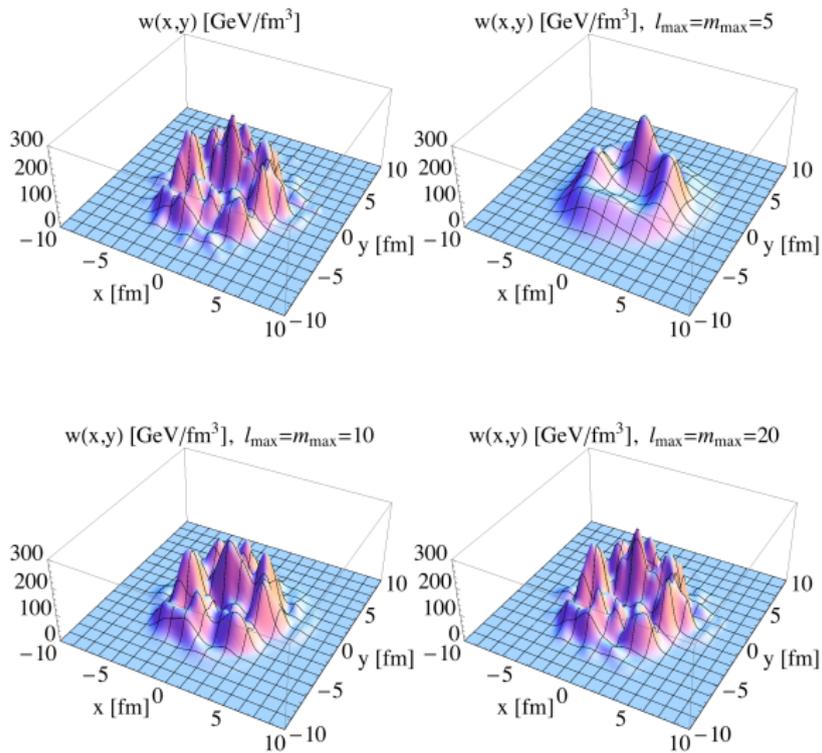
[Floerchinger & Wiedemann 2013, see also Coleman-Smith, Petersen & Wolpert 2012]

- for enthalpy density $w = \epsilon + p$

$$w(r, \phi, \eta) = w_{\text{BG}}(r) \left[1 + \sum_{m,l} \int_k w_l^{(m)}(k) e^{im\phi + ik\eta} J_m(z_l^{(m)} \rho(r)) \right]$$

- azimuthal wavenumber m , radial wavenumber l , rapidity wavenumber k
- higher m and l correspond to finer spatial resolution
- works similar for vectors (velocity) and tensors (shear stress)

Transverse density from Glauber model



Cosmological perturbation theory

[Lifshitz, Peebles, Bardeen, Kosama, Sasaki, Ehler, Ellis, Hawking, Mukhanov, Weinberg, ...]

- solves evolution equations for fluid + gravity
- expands in perturbations around homogeneous background
- detailed understanding how different modes evolve
- very simple equations of state $p = w \epsilon$
- viscosities usually neglected $\eta = \zeta = 0$
- photons and neutrinos are free streaming

Fluid dynamic perturbation theory for heavy ion collisions

[Floerchinger & Wiedemann, PLB 728, 407 (2014)]

- solves evolution equations for relativistic QCD fluid
- expands in perturbations around event-averaged solution
- leads to linear + non-linear response formalism
- good convergence properties

[Floerchinger *et al.*, PLB 735, 305 (2014), Brouzakis *et al.* PRD 91, 065007 (2015)]

Perturbative expansion

write fluid fields $\chi = (\epsilon, n, u^\mu, \pi^{\mu\nu}, \pi_{\text{Bulk}}, \dots)$

- at initial time τ_0 as

$$\chi = \chi_0 + \epsilon \chi_1$$

background part h_0 , fluctuation part ϵh_1

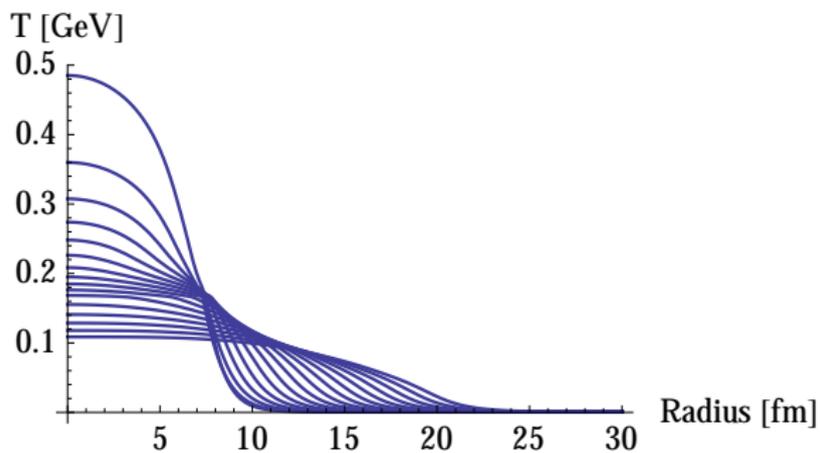
- at later time $\tau > \tau_0$ as

$$\chi = \chi_0 + \epsilon \chi_1 + \epsilon^2 \chi_2 + \epsilon^3 \chi_3 + \dots$$

- χ_0 is solution of full, non-linear hydro equations in symmetric situation: azimuthal rotation and Bjorken boost invariant
- χ_1 is solution of linearized hydro equations around h_0 , can be solved mode-by-mode
- χ_2 can be obtained by from interactions between modes etc.

Background evolution

- coupled 1 + 1 dimensional partial differential equations

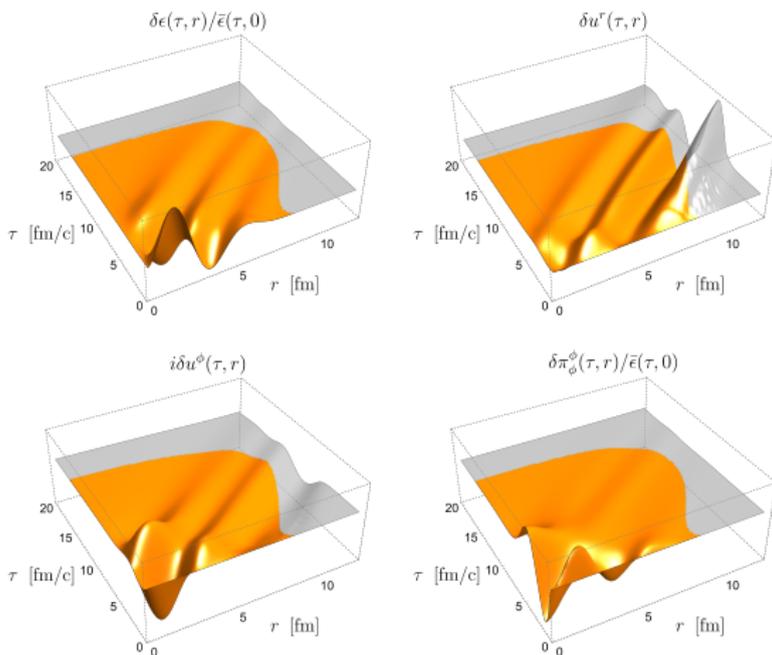


Evolving perturbation modes

- linearized hydro equations, use Fourier expansion

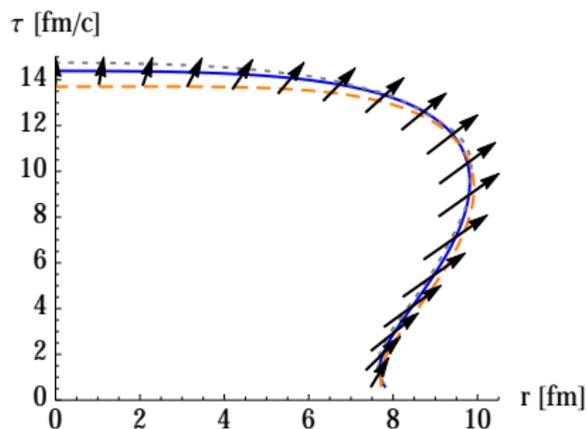
$$\chi_j(\tau, r, \phi, \eta) = \sum_m \int \frac{dk}{2\pi} \chi_j^{(m)}(\tau, r; k) e^{i(m\phi + k\eta)}$$

- reduces problem to 1 + 1 dimensions



Freeze-out surface

- background and fluctuations are propagated until $T_{fo} = 120$ MeV
- free streaming for later times [Cooper, Frye]
- perturbative expansion also at freeze-out [Floerchinger, Wiedemann (2013)]
- resonance decays can be taken into account [Maszeliauskas, Floerchinger, Grossi, Teaney (2018)]



Cooper-Frye freeze out

- single particle momentum distribution from local occupation number

$$E \frac{dN_j}{d^3p} = -\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{\Sigma_f} d\Sigma_\mu p^\mu f_j(x, p).$$

- distribution function from fluid fields

$$f_j = f_j(p^\mu, u^\mu(x), T(x), \mu_i(x), \pi^{\mu\nu}(x), \pi_{\text{bulk}}(x))$$

- ideal gas approximation

$$f_k(x, p) = \frac{1}{\exp \left[-\beta_\nu(x) p^\nu - \sum_j Q_j^{(k)} \alpha_j(x) \right] \mp 1}$$

- depends on $\beta^\mu(x) = \frac{u^\mu(x)}{T(x)}$ and $\alpha_j(x) = \frac{\mu_j(x)}{T(x)}$

Particle distribution

for single event

$$\ln \left(\frac{dN^{\text{single event}}}{p_T dp_T d\phi dy} \right) = \underbrace{\ln S_0(p_T)}_{\text{from background}} + \underbrace{\sum_{m,l} w_l^{(m)} e^{im\phi} \theta_l^{(m)}(p_T)}_{\text{from fluctuations}}$$

- each mode has an angle $w_l^{(m)} = |w_l^{(m)}| e^{-im\psi_l^{(m)}}$
- each mode has its p_T -dependence $\theta_l^{(m)}(p_T)$

Harmonic flow coefficients

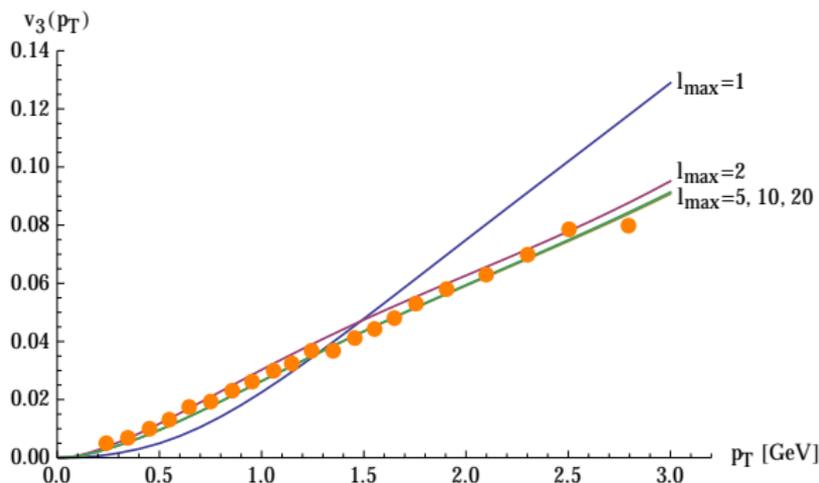
Double differential harmonic flow coefficient to lowest order

$$v_m^2 \{2\}(p_T^a, p_T^b) = \sum_{l_1, l_2=1}^{l_{\max}} \theta_{l_1}^{(m)}(p_T^a) \theta_{l_2}^{(m)}(p_T^b) \langle w_{l_1}^{(m)} w_{l_2}^{(m)*} \rangle$$

- intuitive matrix expression
- in general no factorization
- higher order corrections important for non-central collisions

Harmonic flow coefficients for central collisions

Triangular flow for charged particles



Points: ALICE, 0%-2% most central collisions [PRL 107, 032301 (2011)]

Curves: varying maximal resolution l_{\max} [Floerchinger, Wiedemann (2014)]

Two-particle correlation function 1

- Generalization of Cooper-Frye for two-particle spectrum (non-identical particles)

$$E_p E_q \frac{dN_{jk}}{d^3 p d^3 q} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} \int d\Sigma_\mu d\Sigma'_\nu p^\mu q^\nu f_j(x, p) f_k(x', q).$$

- expand distribution functions

$$\begin{aligned} f_j(x, p) f_k(x', q) &= f_j f_k|_0 \\ &+ \sum_n \left\{ \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial \chi_n} f_k|_0 \chi_n(x) + f_j \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial \chi_n} |_0 \chi_n(x') \right\} \\ &+ \sum_{m,n} \left\{ \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial \chi_m} \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial \chi_n} |_0 \chi_m(x) \chi_n(x') \right\} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- take expectation values

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f_j(x, p) f_k(x', q) \rangle &= f_j f_k|_0 \\ &+ \sum_{m,n} \left\{ \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial \chi_m} \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial \chi_n} |_0 \langle \chi_m(x) \chi_n(x') \rangle_c \right\} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Two-particle correlation function 2

- ratio to product of single particle spectra

$$\begin{aligned} C_{jk}(p, q) &= \frac{\langle E_p E_q \frac{dN_{jk}}{d^3 p d^3 q} \rangle}{\langle E_p \frac{dN_j}{d^3 p} \rangle \langle E_q \frac{dN_k}{d^3 q} \rangle} \\ &= 1 + \frac{\frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} \int_{\Sigma_f} d\Sigma_\mu d\Sigma'_\nu p^\mu q^\nu \left\{ \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial \chi_m} \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial \chi_n} \Big|_0 \langle \chi_m(x) \chi_n(x') \rangle_c \right\}}{\langle E_p \frac{dN_j}{d^3 p} \rangle \langle E_q \frac{dN_k}{d^3 q} \rangle} \end{aligned}$$

- depends on two-point correlation function of fluid fields on the freeze-out surface

$$G_{mn}(x, x') = \langle \chi_m(x) \chi_n(x') \rangle_c$$

Symmetry implications

- two-particle (momentum) correlation function can be expanded

$$C_{jk}(p_T, q_T; \Delta\phi, \Delta\eta) = 1 + \int \frac{dk}{2\pi} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{im\Delta\phi + ik\Delta\eta} c_{jk}^{(m)}(p_T, q_T; k)$$

- two-point correlation function on freeze-out surface can be expanded

$$G_{st}(\tau, \tau', r, r'; \Delta\varphi, \Delta y) = \int \frac{dk}{2\pi} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{im\Delta\varphi + ik\Delta\eta} g_{st}^{(m)}(\tau, \tau', r, r'; k)$$

- diagonal relation in m and k as consequence of symmetry

$$c_{jk}^{(m)}(p_T, q_T; k) \sim \sum_{s,t} \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial \chi_s} \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial \chi_t} g_{st}^{(m)}(\tau, \tau', r, r'; k)$$

Thermal fluctuations

- fluid dynamics describes expectation values

$$\bar{T}^{\mu\nu} = \langle T^{\mu\nu} \rangle = \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu + (p + \pi_{\text{bulk}}) \Delta^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\bar{N}^\mu = \langle N^\mu \rangle = n u^\mu + \nu^\mu$$

- what about correlation functions ?

$$\langle [T^{\mu\nu}(x) - \bar{T}^{\mu\nu}(x)][T^{\rho\sigma}(y) - \bar{T}^{\rho\sigma}(y)] \rangle$$

- no reason this should vanish, already in thermal equilibrium
- ideal fluid part can be parametrized by

$$\bar{T}(x), \quad \bar{\mu}(x), \quad \bar{u}^\rho(x)$$

- Thermodynamic variables (ϵ, n) and (T, μ) related by Legendre transforms
- Legendre transforms of $T^{\mu\nu}$ correlation functions lead to

$$\langle [T(x) - \bar{T}(x)][T(y) - \bar{T}(y)] \rangle, \quad \text{etc.}$$

Correlation functions on a hypersurface 1

- generalization of “fixed time” is hypersurface Σ
- for example chemical or kinetic freeze-out surface
- coordinate system α^j with $j = 1, 2, 3$, embedding $x^\mu(\alpha)$ and induced metric on hypersurface

$$h_{jk}(\alpha) = g_{\mu\nu} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha^j} x^\mu(\alpha) \right] \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha^k} x^\nu(\alpha) \right]$$

- fluctuation field $\chi_n(\alpha)$, e.g.

$$\chi_1(\alpha) = T(\alpha) - \bar{T}(\alpha), \quad \chi_2(\alpha) = \mu(\alpha) - \bar{\mu}(\alpha)$$

- probability density of fluctuations on Σ

$$p[\chi] = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-I_\Sigma[\chi]}, \quad Z = \int D\chi e^{-I_\Sigma[\chi]}.$$

Correlation functions on a hypersurface 1

- partition function on hypersurface Σ

$$Z[J] = \int D\chi \exp \left[-I_{\Sigma}[\chi] + \int d^3\alpha \sqrt{h} J_n(\alpha) \chi(\alpha) \right]$$

with $\sqrt{h} = \sqrt{\det(h_{jk})}$ and the invariant volume element $d^3\alpha \sqrt{h}$

- allows to obtain correlation functions

$$\langle \chi_n(\alpha) \chi_m(\beta) \rangle = \frac{1}{Z[J]} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{h(\alpha)}} \frac{\delta}{\delta J_n(\alpha)} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{h(\beta)}} \frac{\delta}{\delta J_m(\beta)} \right) Z[J] \Big|_{J=0}$$

- but what is the action $I_{\Sigma}[\chi]$?

Probability of fluctuations 1

- probability for a thermal fluctuation in macroscopic fields

$$p[\chi] = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-I_{\Sigma}[\chi]}$$

- determined by change in entropy

$$I_{\Sigma}[\chi] = -\Delta S[\chi] + \text{const.}$$

- differential of entropy (with $\beta_{\nu} = \frac{u_{\nu}}{T}$ and $\alpha_j = \frac{\mu_j}{T}$)

$$dS = \beta_{\nu} dP^{\nu} + \sum_j \alpha_j dN_j$$

Probability of fluctuations 2

- split into two parts

$$\begin{aligned}dS &= dS_0 + dS_1 \\ &= \beta_{0,\nu} dP_0^\nu + \beta_{1,\nu} dP_1^\nu + \sum_j \alpha_{j,0} dN_{j,0} + \sum_j \alpha_{j,1} dN_{j,1} \\ &= \Delta\beta_\nu dP^\nu + \sum_j \Delta\alpha_j dN_j\end{aligned}$$

- used here conservation laws $dP_0^\nu + dP_1^\nu = 0$ and $dN_{j,0} + dN_{j,1} = 0$
- have set $\Delta\beta_\nu = \beta_{\nu,1} - \beta_{\nu,0}$ and $\Delta\alpha_j = \alpha_{j,1} - \alpha_{j,0}$
- abbreviate $dP^\nu = dP_1^\nu$ and $dN_j = dN_{j,1}$
- $\Delta\beta_\nu$ and $\Delta\alpha_j$ are linear in ΔP^ν and ΔN_j to lowest order
- allows to integrate

$$\Delta S = \frac{1}{2} \left(\Delta\beta_\nu \Delta P^\nu + \sum_j \Delta\alpha_j \Delta N_j \right)$$

Probability of fluctuations 3

- change in entropy

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta S &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\Delta\beta_\nu \Delta P^\nu + \sum_j \Delta\alpha_j \Delta N_j \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \int d\Sigma_\mu \left\{ \Delta\beta_\nu \Delta T^{\mu\nu} + \sum_j \Delta\alpha_j \Delta N_j^\mu \right\}\end{aligned}$$

- uses surface element $d\Sigma_\mu d^3\alpha \sqrt{h} n_\mu$ with normal vector n_μ
- assume that this works locally in each volume element (strong local equilibrium assumption)
- leads to action on hypersurface

$$I_\Sigma[\chi] = -\Delta S = \frac{1}{2} \int d\Sigma_\mu \left\{ \Delta\beta_\nu(x) \Delta T^{\mu\nu}(x) + \sum_j \Delta\alpha_j(x) \Delta N_j^\mu(x) \right\}$$

- ultralocal = no derivatives of fluctuating fields

Fluctuations on hypersurface

- use ideal fluid expressions

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu + p \Delta^{\mu\nu}, \quad N_j^\mu = n_j u^\mu,$$

- obtain “action” for fluctuations ΔT , $\Delta\mu_j$ and Δu^μ

$$I_\Sigma = \frac{1}{2} \int d\Sigma_\mu \left\{ \frac{u^\mu}{T} \left(\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T^2} \Delta T^2 + 2 \sum_j \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T \partial \mu_j} \Delta T \Delta \mu_j + \sum_{i,j} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial \mu_i \partial \mu_j} \Delta \mu_i \Delta \mu_j \right) + 2 \frac{\Delta u^\mu}{T} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial T} \Delta T + \sum_j \frac{\partial p}{\partial \mu_j} \Delta \mu_j \right) + \frac{u^\mu}{T} (\epsilon + p) \Delta_{\rho\sigma} \Delta u^\rho \Delta u^\sigma \right\}$$

- short range correlations

$$\langle \chi_n(\alpha) \chi_m(\alpha') \rangle_c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{h(\alpha)}} \delta^{(3)}(\alpha - \alpha') \sigma_{nm}(\alpha)$$

Thermal correlation matrix

- for stationary fluid $n^\mu = u^\mu$

$$\sigma_{TT} = \frac{T \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial \mu^2}}{\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T^2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial \mu^2} - \left(\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T \partial \mu} \right)^2} = \frac{T^2}{c_V},$$

$$\sigma_{\mu\mu} = \frac{T \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T^2}}{\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T^2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial \mu^2} - \left(\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T \partial \mu} \right)^2} = \frac{T^2}{c_V} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T^2},$$

$$\sigma_{T\mu} = \sigma_{\mu T} = \frac{-T \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T \partial \mu}}{\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T^2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial \mu^2} - \left(\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T \partial \mu} \right)^2} = -\frac{T^2}{c_V} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial T \partial \mu},$$

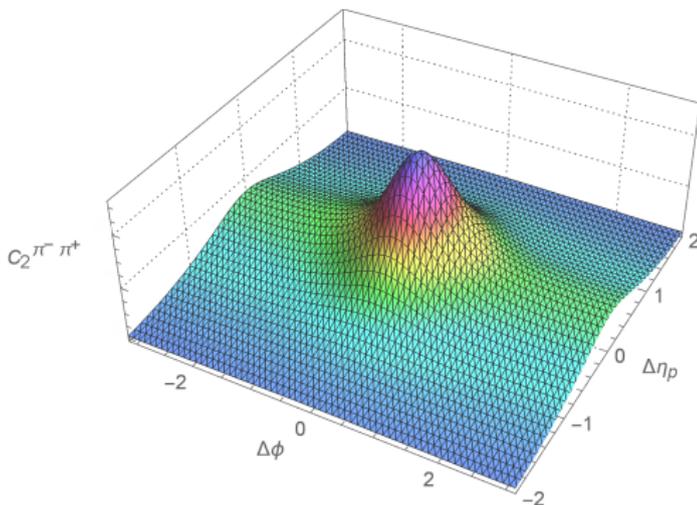
$$\sigma_{u^i u^j} = \frac{T}{\epsilon + p} \Delta^{ij}$$

- depends on thermodynamic equation of state $p(T, \mu_j)$
- for $T \rightarrow 0$ fluctuations vanish $\sigma_{nm} \rightarrow 0$

Two-particle correlation

[D. Guenduez]

- two-particle pion correlation from thermal fluctuations



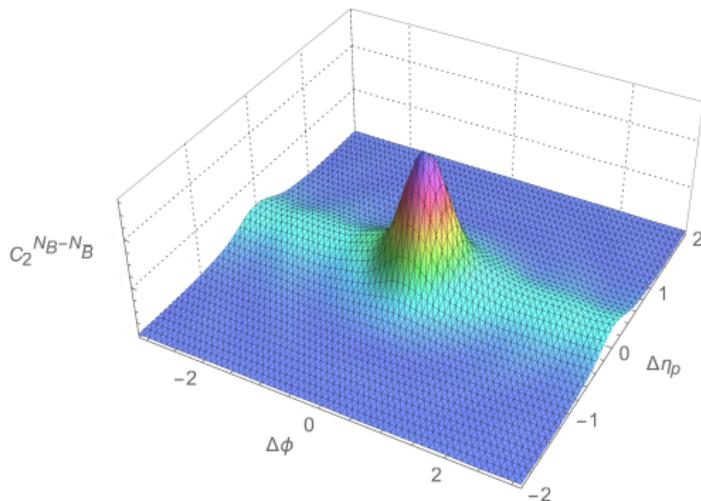
(preliminary)

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- equation of state $p(T, \mu_j)$ from hadron resonance gas

Net baryon number correlations

[D. Guenduez]

- net baryon number correlations in momentum space from local thermal fluctuations on the freeze-out surface



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Conclusions

- fluid dynamics of heavy ion collisions can be analyzed in “functional manner” using a mode expansion
- fluctuations from initial state
- thermal fluctuations
- characterization of fluctuations on hypersurfaces
- relation to experimentally accessible two-particle correlation functions
- more information about two-point correlation functions needed
- better understanding of close-to-equilibrium dynamics of QCD

Backup

An effective action for the ideal fluid

- consider effective action

$$\Gamma[g_{\mu\nu}, \beta^\mu] = \Gamma_R[g_{\mu\nu}, \beta^\mu] = \int d^d x \sqrt{g} U(T)$$

with effective potential $U(T) = -p(T)$ and temperature

$$T = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g_{\mu\nu} \beta^\mu \beta^\nu}}$$

- energy-momentum tensor from effective action

$$\frac{\delta \Gamma[g_{\mu\nu}, \beta^\mu]}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}(x)} = -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{g} \langle T^{\mu\nu}(x) \rangle$$

- variation at fixed β^μ lead to ideal fluid form

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\epsilon + p) u^\mu u^\nu + p g^{\mu\nu}$$

where $\epsilon + p = T s = T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} p$ is the enthalpy density

- general covariance or covariant conservation $\nabla_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$ leads to

$$\begin{aligned} u^\mu \partial_\mu \epsilon + (\epsilon + p) \nabla_\mu u^\mu &= 0, \\ (\epsilon + p) u^\mu \nabla_\mu u^\nu + \Delta^{\nu\mu} \partial_\mu p &= 0. \end{aligned}$$