Theoretical understanding of hadrons in hot/dense media

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High energy nuclear collisions: QCD fluid



Fluid dynamics



- long distances, long times or strong enough interactions
- quantum fields form a fluid!
- needs macroscopic fluid properties
 - thermodynamic equation of state $p(T, \mu)$
 - shear + bulk viscosity $\eta(T,\mu)$, $\zeta(T,\mu)$
 - heat conductivity $\kappa(T,\mu)$, ...
 - relaxation times, ...
 - electrical conductivity $\sigma(T,\mu)$
- fixed by microscopic properties encoded in Lagrangian \mathscr{L}_{QCD}
- old dream of condensed matter physics: understand the fluid properties!

Relativistic fluid dynamics

Energy-momentum tensor and conserved currents

$$\begin{split} T^{\mu\nu} &= \epsilon \, u^{\mu} u^{\nu} + (p + \pi_{\mathsf{bulk}}) \Delta^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu} \\ N^{\mu}_{j} &= n_{j} \, u^{\mu} + \nu^{\mu}_{j} \end{split}$$

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

Covariant conservation laws $abla_{\mu}T^{\mu
u}=0$ and $abla_{\mu}N^{\mu}_{j}=0$ imply

- $\bullet\,$ equation for energy density ϵ
- $\bullet\,$ equation for fluid velocity u^{μ}
- equations for particle number densities n_j

Need in addition constitutive relations [e.g Israel & Stewart]

- equation for shear stress $\pi^{\mu\nu}$
- equation for bulk viscous pressure π_{bulk}

$$au_{\mathsf{bulk}} u^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} \pi_{\mathsf{bulk}} + \ldots + \pi_{\mathsf{bulk}} = -\zeta \
abla_{\mu} u^{\mu}$$

• equations for diffusion currents ν_i^{μ}

Thermodynamic equation of state

- describes volume V with temperature T and chemical potentials μ_B , μ_C and μ_S associated with conserved baryon, charge and strangeness numbers
- exchange of energy and particles with heat bath
- can be simulated with Lattice QCD
- all thermodynamic properties follow from

 $p(T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S)$

- chemical potentials
 - μ_B for (net) baryon number
 - μ_Q for (net) electric charge
 - μ_S for (net) strangeness

$Thermodynamics \ of \ QCD$



[Borsányi et al. (2016)], similar Bazavov et al. (2014)

[Floerchinger, Grossi & Lion (2018)]

- ${\ensuremath{\bullet}}$ thermodynamic equation of state p(T) rather well understood now
- used for fluid dynamics at LHC energies

Moments and cumulants at equilibrium

• mean value of net baryon number

$$\bar{N}_B = \langle N_B \rangle = V \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_B} p(T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S)$$

• variance in terms of $\delta N_B = N_B - \bar{N}_B$ $\sigma_B^2 = \langle \delta N_B^2 \rangle = TV \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu_D^2} p(T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S)$

$$S_B = \frac{\langle \delta N_B^3 \rangle}{\sigma_B^3} = \frac{1}{\sigma_B^3} T^2 V \frac{\partial^3}{\partial \mu_B^3} p(T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S)$$

$$\kappa_B = \frac{\langle \delta N_B^4 \rangle - 3 \langle \delta N_B^2 \rangle^2}{\sigma_B^4} = \frac{1}{\sigma_B^4} T^3 V \frac{\partial^4}{\partial \mu_B^4} p(T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S)$$

• similar for mixed derivatives

Lattice QCD results for cumulants



• hadron resonance gas (HRG) approximation works at small temperatures

Correlation functions as generalized moments / cumulants

• correlation function of baryon number density

 $C_2^{(B,B)}(t,\vec{x};t',\vec{x}') = \langle n_B(t,\vec{x}) n_B(t',x') \rangle - \langle n_B(t,\vec{x}) \rangle \langle n_B(t',\vec{x}') \rangle$

• integral over equal time correlation gives variance

$$\sigma_B^2 = \langle \delta N_B^2 \rangle = \int_V d^3x \int_V d^3x' \ C_2^{(B,B)}(t,\vec{x};t,\vec{x}')$$

- similar for higher order correlation functions
- thermodynamic variables can be traded

 $(\epsilon, n_B, n_Q, n_S) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad (T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S)$

Cooper-Frye freeze-out



• single particle distribution [Cooper & Frye (1974)]

$$E\frac{dN_i}{d^3p} = -p^{\mu} \int_{\Sigma_f} \frac{d\Sigma_{\mu}}{(2\pi)^3} f_i(p;x)$$

with close-to equilibrium distribution

$$f_i(p;x) = f_i(p;T(x), \mu_i(x), u^{\mu}(x), \pi^{\mu\nu}(x), \varphi(x), \ldots)$$

• precise position of freeze-out surface is unknown, usual assumption

$$\langle T(x) \rangle = T_{\mathsf{fo}} = \mathsf{const}$$

Particle correlations from fluid field correlations

[Aasen, Floerchinger, Giacalone, Guenduez & Masciocchi, work in progress]

• can be used for expectation values...

$$\left\langle E\frac{dN_i}{d^3p}\right\rangle = \left\langle -p_{\mu}\int_{\Sigma_f}\frac{d\Sigma^{\mu}}{(2\pi)^3}\,f_i(p;x)\right\rangle$$

• ... but also for correlation functions

$$\left\langle E\frac{dN_i}{d^3p}E'\frac{dN_j}{d^3p'}\right\rangle = p_{\mu}p'_{\nu}\int_{\Sigma_f}\frac{d\Sigma^{\mu}}{(2\pi)^3}\frac{d\Sigma'^{\nu}}{(2\pi)^3}\left\langle f_i(p;x)f_j(p';x')\right\rangle$$

• the right hand side involves correlation functions

$$\left\langle f_i(p;x) f_j(p';x') \right\rangle$$

between different points x and x' on the freeze-out surface.

- works similar for higher order correlation functions.
- thermal fluctuations and initial state fluctuations contribute to correlations

Particle correlations from fluid field correlations

[Aasen, Floerchinger, Giacalone, Guenduez & Masciocchi, work in progress]

• one can decompose

$$T(x) = \overline{T}(x) + \delta T(x),$$
 $\mu(x) = \overline{\mu}(x) + \delta \mu(x)$

and expand the distribution functions

$$\begin{aligned} f_i(p;x) = & f_i(p;\bar{T}(x),\bar{\mu}_i(x),\ldots) \\ &+ \delta T(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial T} f_i(p;\bar{T}(x),\bar{\mu}(x),\ldots) \\ &+ \delta \mu(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} f_i(p;\bar{T}(x),\bar{\mu}(x),\ldots) + \ldots \end{aligned}$$

• two-particle correlation function governed by integral over $\langle f_i(p;x) f_i(p';x') \rangle = f_i(p;\bar{T}(x),...) f_i(p';\bar{T}(x'),...)$

$$+ \langle \delta T(x) \delta T(x') \rangle \frac{\partial}{\partial T} f_i(p; \bar{T}(x), \ldots) \frac{\partial}{\partial T} f_j(p; \bar{T}(x'), \ldots) \\ + \langle \delta \mu(x) \delta \mu(x') \rangle \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} f_i(p; \bar{T}(x), \ldots) \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} f_j(p; \bar{T}(x'), \ldots) \\ + \ldots$$

Cooper-Frye freeze-out with resonance decays

[Mazeliauskas, Floerchinger, Grossi & Teaney, EPJC 79, 2842019 (2019)]

• decay map relates spectra before and after resonance decays

$$E_p \frac{dN_b}{d^3 p} = \int_q D_b^a(p,q) \ E_q \frac{dN_a}{d^3 q}$$

Cooper-Frye with resonance decays

$$E_p \frac{dN_a}{d^3 p} = -\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d\Sigma_\mu \, g_a^\mu(x, p),$$

$$g_b^{\mu}(x,p) = \int_q D_b^a(p,q) f_a(x,q) q^{\mu}$$





Flow and fluctuations in heavy ion collisions

Fluid *u*M: Fluid dynamics of heavy ion collisions with Mode expansion [Floerchinger & Wiedemann, PLB 728, 407 (2014), PRC 88, 044906 (2013), 89, 034914 (2014)] [Floerchinger, Grossi & Lion, PRC 100, 014905 (2019)]



- background-fluctuation splitting + mode expansion
- analogous to cosmological perturbation theory
- substantially improved numerical performance (pseudospectral method)
- resonance decays included

[Mazeliauskas, Floerchinger, Grossi & Teaney, EPJC 79, 284 (2019)]

• allows fast and precise comparison between theory and experiment

Particle production at the Large Hadron Collider

[Devetak, Dubla, Floerchinger, Grossi, Masciocchi, Mazeliauskas & Selyuzhenkov, 1909.10485]



- data are very precise now high quality theory development needed!
- next step: include coherent fields / condensates

Causality

[Floerchinger & Grossi, JHEP 08 (2018) 186]



- inequalities for relativistic causality
- dissipative fluid equations can be of hyperbolic type
- characteristic velocities depend on fluid fields
- $\bullet \mbox{ need } |\lambda^{(j)}| < c \mbox{ for relativistic causality}$

Entropy current, local dissipation and unitarity

• local dissipation = local entropy production

 $\nabla_{\mu}s^{\mu}(x) \ge 0$

- e. g. from analytically continued quantum effective action [Floerchinger, JHEP 1609, 099 (2016)]
- fluid dynamics in Navier-Stokes approximation

$$\nabla_{\mu}s^{\mu} = \frac{1}{T} \left[2\eta\sigma_{\mu\nu}\sigma^{\mu\nu} + \zeta(\nabla_{\rho}u^{\rho})^2 \right] \ge 0$$

• unitary time evolution conserves von-Neumann entropy

$$S = -\mathrm{Tr}\{\rho \ln \rho\} = -\mathrm{Tr}\{(U\rho U^{\dagger})\ln(U\rho U^{\dagger})\} \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \frac{d}{dt}S = 0$$

quantum information is globally conserved

What is local dissipation in isolated quantum systems ?

$Classical\ statistics$

- ullet consider system of two random variables x and y
- \bullet joint probability $p(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{y})$, joint entropy

$$S = -\sum_{x,y} p(x,y) \ln p(x,y)$$

- \bullet reduced or marginal probability $p(x) = \sum_y p(x,y)$
- reduced or marginal entropy

$$S_x = -\sum_x p(x) \ln p(x)$$

• one can prove: joint entropy is greater than or equal to reduced entropy

 $S \ge S_x$

• globally pure state S = 0 is also locally pure $S_x = 0$

Quantum statistics

- $\bullet\,$ consider system with two subsystems A and B
- \bullet combined state ρ , combined or full entropy

 $S = -\mathsf{Tr}\{\rho \ln \rho\}$

- reduced density matrix $\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B\{\rho\}$
- reduced or entanglement entropy

$$S_A = -\mathsf{Tr}_A\{\rho_A \ln \rho_A\}$$

- pure product state $\rho = \rho_A \otimes \rho_B$ leads to $S_A = 0$
- pure entangled state $\rho \neq \rho_A \otimes \rho_B$ leads to $S_A > 0$
- for quantum systems entanglement makes a difference

 $S \not\geq S_A$

- coherent information $I_{B \setminus A} = S_A S$ can be positive!
- globally pure state S = 0 can be locally mixed $S_A > 0$

$Quantum \ field \ dynamics$



new hypothesis



- quantum information is spread
- locally, quantum state approaches mixed state form
- full loss of *local* quantum information = *local* thermalization

Entanglement entropy in quantum field theory



 $\bullet\,$ entanglement entropy of region A is a local notion of entropy

$$S_A = -\operatorname{tr}_A \left\{ \rho_A \ln \rho_A \right\} \qquad \quad \rho_A = \operatorname{tr}_B \left\{ \rho \right\}$$

however, it is infinite already in vacuum state

$$S_A = \frac{\text{const}}{\epsilon^{d-2}} \int_{\partial A} d^{d-2} \sigma \sqrt{h} + \text{ subleading divergences } + \text{ finite}$$

- UV divergence proportional to entangling surface
- quantum fields are very strongly entangled already in vacuum

Relative entropy

• relative entropy of two density matrices

 $S(\rho|\sigma) = \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \rho \left(\ln \rho - \ln \sigma \right) \right\}$

- ullet measures how well state ρ can be distinguished from a model σ
- Gibbs inequality: $S(\rho|\sigma) \ge 0$
- $S(\rho|\sigma) = 0$ if and only if $\rho = \sigma$
- quantum generalization of Kullback-Leibler divergence
- Thermodynamics can be formulated with relative entropy! [Floerchinger & Haas, PRE 102, 052117 (2020)]

Relative entanglement entropy



consider now reduced density matrices

$$\rho_A = \mathsf{Tr}_B\{\rho\}, \qquad \sigma_A = \mathsf{Tr}_B\{\sigma\}$$

• define relative entanglement entropy

$$S_A(\rho|\sigma) = \mathsf{Tr} \left\{ \rho_A \left(\ln \rho_A - \ln \sigma_A \right) \right\} = -\mathsf{Tr} \left\{ \rho_A \ln \Delta_A \right\}$$

with relative modular operator Δ_A

- \bullet measures how well ρ is represented by σ locally in region A
- UV divergences cancel: contains real physics information
- well defined in algebraic quantum field theory [Araki (1977)] [see also works by Casini, Myers, Lashkari, Witten, Liu, ...]

Local equilibrium description

[Dowling, Floerchinger & Haas, PRD 102 (2020) 10, 105002]

- consider non-equilibrium situation with
 - true density matrix ρ
 - local equilibrium approximation

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\int d\Sigma_{\mu} \{\beta_{\nu}(x) T^{\mu\nu} + \alpha(x) N^{\mu}\}}$$

- reduced density matrices $\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B\{\rho\}$ and $\sigma_A = \text{Tr}_B\{\sigma\}$
- σ is very good model for ρ in region A when

$$S_A = \mathsf{Tr}_A\{\rho_A(\ln \rho_A - \ln \sigma_A)\} \to 0$$

• does *not* imply that globally $\rho = \sigma$



Monotonicity of relative entropy

• monotonicity of relative entropy [Lindblad (1975)]

 $S(\mathcal{N}(\rho)|\mathcal{N}(\sigma)) \leq S(\rho|\sigma)$

with $\ensuremath{\mathcal{N}}$ completely positive, trace-preserving map

 $\bullet \,\, \mathcal{N}$ unitary evolution

 $S(\mathcal{N}(\rho)|\mathcal{N}(\sigma))=S(\rho|\sigma)$

 $\bullet~\mathcal{N}$ open system evolution with generation of entanglement to environment

 $S(\mathcal{N}(\rho)|\mathcal{N}(\sigma)) < S(\rho|\sigma)$

• local, second law of thermodynamics in terms of relative entropy [Dowling, Floerchinger & Haas, PRD 102 (2020) 10, 105002]



Remarks on status of relativistic fluid dynamics

- derivation from quantum effective action $\Gamma[\phi]$ wanted [Floerchinger, JHEP 1205, 021 (2012); JHEP 1609, 099 (2016)]
- expectation values and correlation functions of interest
- underlying principle: most excitations or modes relax quickly [Kadanoff & Martin (1963)]
- exception: conserved quantities like energy, momentum or particle density ("hydrodynamic modes")
- but: some non-hydrodynamic modes are needed for causality
- how to obtain additional equations of motion for them?

Covariant energy-momentum conservation

 \bullet quantum effective action $\Gamma[\phi,g]$ at stationary matter fields

$$rac{\delta}{\delta\phi(x)}\Gamma[\phi,g]=0$$

• diffeomorphism is gauge transformation of metric

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x) \to g_{\mu\nu}(x) + \nabla_{\mu}\varepsilon_{\nu}(x) + \nabla_{\nu}\varepsilon_{\mu}(x)$$

energy-momentum tensor defined by

$$\delta\Gamma[\phi,g] = \frac{1}{2} \int d^d x \sqrt{g} \ T^{\mu\nu}(x) \delta g_{\mu\nu}(x)$$

• from invariance of $\Gamma[\phi,g]$ under diffeomorphisms

 $\nabla_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu}(x) = 0$

• worked here in Riemann geometry with Levi-Civita connection

$$\delta\Gamma_{\mu}{}^{\rho}{}_{\nu} = \frac{1}{2}g^{\rho\lambda}\left(\nabla_{\mu}\delta g_{\nu\lambda} + \nabla_{\nu}\delta g_{\mu\lambda} - \nabla_{\lambda}\delta g_{\mu\nu}\right)$$

[von der Heyde, Kerlick & Hehl (1976)] [Floerchinger & Grossi, arXiv:2102.11098]

• connection can be varied independent of the metric

$$\delta\Gamma = \int d^d x \sqrt{g} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \mathscr{U}^{\mu\nu}(x) \delta g_{\mu\nu}(x) - \frac{1}{2} \mathscr{S}^{\mu}{}_{\rho}{}^{\sigma}(x) \delta \Gamma_{\mu}{}^{\rho}{}_{\sigma}(x) \right\}$$

with new symmetric tensor $\mathscr{U}^{\mu\nu}$ and *hypermomentum* current $\mathscr{S}^{\mu}_{\ \rho}{}^{\sigma}$ • hypermomentum current can be decomposed further

$$\mathscr{S}^{\mu}{}_{\rho}{}^{\sigma} = Q^{\mu}{}_{\rho}{}^{\sigma} + W^{\mu}\,\delta_{\rho}{}^{\sigma} + S^{\mu}{}_{\rho}{}^{\sigma} + S^{\sigma\mu}{}_{\rho} + S^{\mu\sigma}{}_{\rho}$$

with

 $\begin{array}{ll} {\rm spin \ current} & S^{\mu\rho\sigma}=-S^{\mu\sigma\rho}\\ {\rm o \ dilatation \ current} & W^{\mu}\\ {\rm o \ shear \ current} & Q^{\mu\rho\sigma}=Q^{\mu\sigma\rho}, \qquad Q^{\mu\rho}_{\rho}=0 \end{array}$

Equations of motion for dilatation and shear current [Floerchinger & Grossi, arXiv:2102.11098]

• variation of connection contains Levi-Civita part and non-Riemannian part

$$\delta\Gamma_{\mu}{}^{\rho}{}_{\sigma} = \frac{1}{2}g^{\rho\lambda}\left(\nabla_{\mu}\delta g_{\sigma\lambda} + \nabla_{\sigma}\delta g_{\mu\lambda} - \nabla_{\lambda}\delta g_{\mu\sigma}\right) + \delta C_{\mu}{}^{\rho}{}_{\sigma} + \delta D_{\mu}{}^{\rho}{}_{\sigma}$$

• variation at $\delta C_{\mu \sigma}^{\rho}=\delta D_{\mu \sigma}^{\rho}=0$ gives energy-momentum tensor

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \mathscr{U}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}\nabla_{\rho}\left(Q^{\rho\mu\nu} + W^{\rho}g^{\mu\nu}\right)$$

• new equation of motion for dilatation or Weyl current

$$\nabla_{\rho}W^{\rho} = \frac{2}{d} (T^{\mu}_{\ \mu} - \mathscr{U}^{\mu}_{\ \mu})$$

• new equation of motion for shear current

$$\nabla_{\rho}Q^{\rho\mu\nu} = 2\left[T^{\mu\nu} - \mathscr{U}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{d}(T^{\sigma}_{\ \sigma} - \mathscr{U}^{\sigma}_{\ \sigma})\right]$$

non-conserved Noether currents

Spin current

[..., Floerchinger & Grossi, arXiv:2102.11098]

• tetrad formalism: vary tetrad $V_{\mu}{}^{A}$ and spin connection $\Omega_{\mu}{}^{AB}$

$$\delta \Gamma = \int d^d x \sqrt{g} \left\{ \mathscr{T}^{\mu}_{\ A}(x) \delta V^{\ A}_{\mu}(x) - \frac{1}{2} S^{\mu}_{\ AB}(x) \delta \Omega^{\ AB}_{\mu}(x) \right\}$$

with

- canonical energy-momentum tensor $\mathscr{T}^{\mu}_{\ A}$
- spin current $S^{\mu}_{\ AB}$
- symmetric energy-momentum tensor in Belinfante-Rosenfeld form

$$T^{\mu\nu}(x) = \mathscr{T}^{\mu\nu}(x) + \frac{1}{2}\nabla_{\rho} \left[S^{\rho\mu\nu}(x) + S^{\mu\nu\rho}(x) + S^{\nu\mu\rho}(x)\right]$$

• equation of motion for spin current

$$\nabla_{\mu}S^{\mu\rho\sigma} = \mathscr{T}^{\sigma\rho} - \mathscr{T}^{\rho\sigma}$$

non-conserved Noether current

Conclusions

- hot and dense media well described by relativistic fluid dynamics
- free streaming hadrons emerge at freeze-out / after resonance decays
- information about fluid phase encoded in various correlation functions
- relativistic fluid dynamics has a foundation in quantum information theory
- proper description of local thermalization in terms of relative entanglement
- quantum field theoretic description with two density matrices:
 - true density matrix ρ evolves unitary
 - ${\scriptstyle \bullet}\,$ fluid model σ agrees locally but evolves non-unitary
- new geometric foundation in terms of dilatation current, shear current and spin current