Theoretical overview of collective effects



Simple properties of the hydrodynamic description of large systems

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Outline

- I. Ideal hydrodynamics: scale invariance, equation of state from heavy-ion data
- 2. Viscous hydrodynamics: dimensional analysis, what we can and cannot learn about transport coefficients from data, problems with light-quark hadrons, the case of heavy quarks



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Collision = instantaneous process at z=t=0



- Strongly-coupled quark-gluon matter is created.
- Expands into the vacuum at ~ velocity of light

Why hydrodynamics

- Strongly-coupled system: cannot be described in terms of elementary particles or quasiparticles.
- Only valid first-principles description is macroscopic: a fluid expanding into the vacuum.
- Only description that explains experimental observations for light-quark hadrons to date. Now firmly established.

I. Ideal hydrodynamics = large-system limit

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- I. Conservation of mass
- 2. Momentum equation (Euler equation)

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Equations of relativistic fluid dynamics:

- I. Conservation of mass
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- I. Conservation of energy
- 2. Relativistic Euler equation (e+P)dv/dt= - ∇P

Scale invariance



Equations linear in space and time derivatives if $v(\mathbf{x},t)$, $e(\mathbf{x},t)$ is a solution, $v(\lambda \mathbf{x},\lambda t)$, $e(\lambda \mathbf{x},\lambda t)$ is also a solution for any λ .



How an ideal hydro simulation works in practice

- I. Initial condition: v and e at $t \approx 0$
- 2. Solve hydro equations with some equation of state (EOS: relation between e and P)
- 3. Convert the fluid locally, at some freeze-out temperature, into an ideal gas of hadrons at this temperature, boosted by the fluid velocity *Implies: only dependence of spectra on hadron species is through the mass*

A robust description

- I. Initial v: constrained by symmetry ($v \approx 0$ at midrapidity). Initial e: normalization constrained by final multiplicity, width of density profile constrained by nuclear radius.
- 2. Hydro evolution: only depends on equation of state, only non-trivial input of an ideal hydro calculation, only place where QCD & its colour structure enter!
- 3. Freeze-out temperature: constrained by relative hadron abundances

Scale invariance



Scale invariance seen in data



- Momentum spectra:
 Pb+Pb ≈ Xe+Xe collisions.
- ≈ independent of centrality, up to overall normalization.
- This in turn implies that a change in system size or centrality, at a given \sqrt{s} , amounts to a rescaling of space-time coordinates, at the same temperature.

Microscopic origin of scale invariance in heavy-ion collisions

- Nuclear density $\rho(r)$ is \approx independent of mass A, implying nuclear volume proportional to A
- Hadron multiplicity: also proportional to A (Glauber N_{part} scaling)
- Implies hadron density roughly independent of A, where A=mass number of colliding nuclei (system size) or N_{part} (centrality).
- The independence of <pt> on system size and centrality is a robust prediction of hydrodynamics.

Equation of state of QCD from heavy-ion data

- Since the EOS is the only non-trivial input of ideal hydrodynamic calculations, it is natural to expect that momentum spectra contain information about the EOS.
- For a thermal gas at rest, the picture is simple:
 <pt> is proportional to the temperature T
 N_{ch} is proportional to the entropy S

Léon Van Hove, <u>Phys.Lett.B 118 (1982) 138</u>

Equation of state of QCD from heavy-ion data

- For a fluid in motion, correspondence between EOS and data is less trivial for two reasons:
- The hadron pt gets a contribution from the transverse fluid velocity, in addition to the thermal contribution.
- The temperature spans the whole range from ∞ down to T_f as the system expands.

We have recently identified a simple and robust correspondence between observables and thermodynamic quantities in hydro calculations.



Thermodynamics of hot strong-interaction matter from ultrarelativistic nuclear collisions

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Idea: global analysis

- The output of the hydrodynamic calculation is a complex freeze-out hypersurface, where the fluid velocity depends on the space-time location.
- We only retain global information: the total energy E (thermal+collective) and total entropy S of the fluid (per unit rapidity) at freeze-out.
- We define the effective temperature, T_{eff} and effective volume, V_{eff} , as those of a uniform fluid at rest which would have the same energy E and entropy S.



$Measuring \, T_{eff}$

We calculate

- the effective temperature T_{eff} . Physically, it represents the average temperature in the fluid at at time t \approx R (only relevant temperature for dimensional reasons)
- $\langle p_t \rangle$ of charged hadrons at freeze-out, after resonance decays

We find a simple and robust correspondence: $\langle p_t \rangle = 3.07 T_{eff}$. [cf. black-body thermodynamics: energy per particle=3T]

We have thus generalized the 1982 Van Hove argument to an expanding fluid

Measuring the entropy density at T_{eff}

The entropy S is related to the charged particle multiplicity N_{ch} using S=6.7 N_{ch} . (Mazelianskas et al. arXiv:1908.02792).

We take the volume V_{eff} from the hydrodynamic calculation (largest source of uncertainty) and we obtain the entropy density $s=S/V_{eff}$ at temperature T_{eff}

Equation of state from lattice QCD



s/T³ = dimensionless ratio, proportional to number of degrees of freedom:

- quark/antiquark/ gluon
- spin
- flavor
- colour

Our result inferred from LHC data



 $T_{eff}=222 \pm 9 \text{ MeV}$ s(T_{eff})/T_{eff}^3 = 14 \pm 3.5 compatible with lattice.

Confirms large number of degrees of freedom, implying that colour is liberated: deconfinement observed!

Speed of sound c_s in the QGP

We use results from two different collision energies at LHC. Larger energy, same nuclei \rightarrow more particles, fixed volume \rightarrow compressibility = speed of sound.



Using LHC1 and LHC2 data: $c_s^2(T_{eff}) = 0.24 \pm 0.04$ Sound velocity = 1/2 of light velocity.

Comparison with lattice QCD



Do charm quarks flow with light quarks?

Robust prediction of ideal hydrodynamics: same mass implies same momentum spectra and anisotropies.



Difference expected in different initial densities (\approx participant nucleons for u,d,s, \approx binary collisions for c) but way too small to explain the different v₂ observed at high p_t.

2.Viscous hydrodynamics = finite-size corrections

Small departure from local thermodynamic equilibrium. Enters in two places in our calculations:

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I. hydro equations: Euler \rightarrow Navier-Stokes

\rho dv/dt = - \nabla P + \eta \nabla^2 v

I/R I/R^2
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Note that viscous corrections break scale invariance:

relative correction proportional to I/R (Reynolds number scaling) In addition to EOS, viscous equations involve the temperaturedependent shear viscosity $\eta(T)$, and a similar bulk viscosity $\zeta(T)$ term.

2.Viscous hydrodynamics = finite-size corrections

2.Viscous corrections also enter the momentum distribution of hadrons at freeze-out. In the rest frame of the fluid,

 $f(p) = Fermi-Dirac \text{ or Bose-Einstein} + \delta f(p)$

The transport coefficients η and ζ do not constrain *at all* the p dependence of $\delta f(p)$, which depends on the details of hadronic interactions. All hydrodynamic calculations use arbitrary Ansätze!!

Unlike the equilibrium distribution, $\delta f(p)$ should have a non-trivial dependence on hadron species, but this has not yet been studied.

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Light quarks versus heavy quarks

One typically models the evolution of charm quarks in the expanding quark-gluon plasma by simulating their Brownian motion in a background medium provided by an ideal hydrodynamic evolution.

Compared with the arbitrary modeling of $\delta f(p)$ for light-quark hadrons, this description seems (to me) better motivated from a microscopic point of view.

Can data constrain $\eta(T)$ and $\varsigma(T)$?

- First step: identify observables which depend weakly on the arbitrary $\delta f(p)$: Typically, p_t -integrated observables, v_2 , v_3 , $< p_t >$.
- To leading order in viscosity, the relative change in an observable *O* due to viscosity must be linear:

 $\frac{\delta \mathcal{O}}{\mathcal{O}} = \int \left[w^{(\eta)}(T)(\eta/s)(T) + w^{(\varsigma)}(T)(\varsigma/s)(T) \right] dT,$

where $w^{(\eta)}(T)$, $w^{(\varsigma)}(T)$ are weight functions.

- scale invariance \rightarrow T independent of system size and centrality
- \rightarrow dependence of $\delta \mathcal{O} / \mathcal{O}$ on system size and centrality is just a global factor I/R dictated by Reynolds number scaling.
- At fixed \sqrt{s} , we can at best access the integral, not the T dependence: an effective viscosity = weighted average over T.

Weights for $\mathcal{O} = v_2$ or v_3



- We have computed the weight functions for v₂ and v₃ at LHC energy using viscous hydro simulations.
- Weights are largest arond 200 MeV, which means that the viscosity that one sees is the viscosity at this temperature.
- δf(p): contribution less than
 20%: Good news since this part is not robust.

Effective viscosities: QCD versus LHC data



- Effective viscosities are very similar for v₂ and v₃
- Bulk viscosity less important than shear viscosity
- Functional renormalization group calculations imply effective QCD shear viscosity around 0.16-0.2, compatible with value extracted from Bayesian analyses of LHC data

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Thank you

Supplemental material

Initial conditions 1



Fluid initially at rest: v=0

(illustration: Marc Borrell, Bielefeld U.)

Initial conditions 2

Significant progress has been made in understanding the early stages of the collision from first principles.

We choose instead an *empirical* prescription for the initial entropy density: One *observes* that the number of particles produced in the collision is proportional to the mass of colliding nuclei.

We make this prescription local by assuming

 $s(x,y) \propto integral of nuclear density along z.$

Proportionality constant: adjusted to match final particle multiplicity

Freeze-out temperature

The value of T_f is adjusted empirically so as to match the observed relative abundances of hadrons: $T_f = 156 \pm 1.5$ MeV



Value of T_{eff} in hydro simulations of Pb+Pb @ 5.02 TeV

We use the hydrodynamic code MUSIC, where the initial temperature is tuned to reproduce the charged multiplicity measured by ALICE for each centrality.



Value of <pt>t< in hydro simulations of Pb+Pb @ 5.02 TeV

We compute the average transverse momentum of particles at the end of the fluid expansion (and after resonance decays)



Reviving Van Hove's 1982 idea

 $< p_t > = 3.07 T_{eff}$ for all centralities, irrespective of bulk and shear viscosity!



Changing the equation of state

We test the robustness of the correspondence between $< p_t > and T_{eff}$ by running ideal hydro with a stiff equation of state $\epsilon = 3P+const$.



Estimating the effective volume



Viscous hydro with bulk viscosity, <u>Duke parametrization</u>

Ideal hydrodynamics

Viscous hydro with shear viscosity, η/s=0.2

 V_{eff} is proportional to R_0^3 , where R_0 = initial transverse size = nuclear size for central collisions

Varying the collision energy

(results are plotted as a function of number of produced particles, which itself depends on collision energy)



As energy increases, T_{eff} increases, V_{eff} remains constant. Increasing the collision energy amounts to heating the system at constant volume.

Varying the collision energy

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The variation of p_t still closely follows that of T_{eff}

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Deviations from $< p_t > = 3.07 T_{eff}$ are negligible at LHC energy and beyond

Temperature dependence of transport coefficients

