

Quantum-field effects of acceleration and vorticity in QCD: polarization, geometry and statistics

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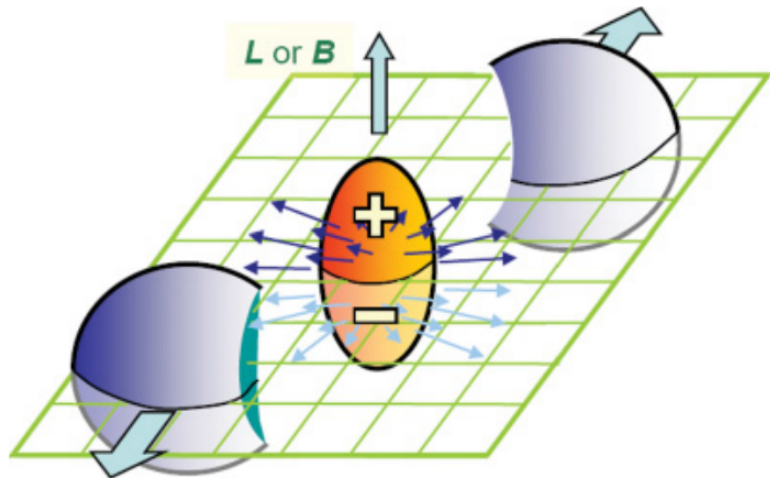
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Introduction: motivation from heavy ion physics

In noncentral collisions of heavy ions on the particle colliders (NICA, RHIC), **huge magnetic fields** and a **huge angular momentum** arise. *Differential* rotation - different at different points: **vorticity** and vortices.

– Rotation 25 orders of magnitude *faster* than the rotation of the Earth:
the vorticity is about 10^{22} sec^{-1}



- **Acceleration** is of the **same order** of magnitude as vorticity (as the components of the same tensor): contributes to polarization.

[I. Karpenko and F. Becattini, Nucl. Phys., A982:519–522, 2019]

- *Another mechanism*: accelerations due to the tension of the hadron string (acceleration is much higher – of the order of Λ_{QCD})

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow q \bar{q} \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$$

[P. Castorina, D. Kharzeev, H. Satz, Eur. Phys. J., C52:187–201, 2007]

Polarisation as a sign of the vorticity

The **vorticity** leads to **polarization** of hadrons:

1. Through the **chiral vortical effect** (CVE) and **chiral anomaly** (**Dubna group**)

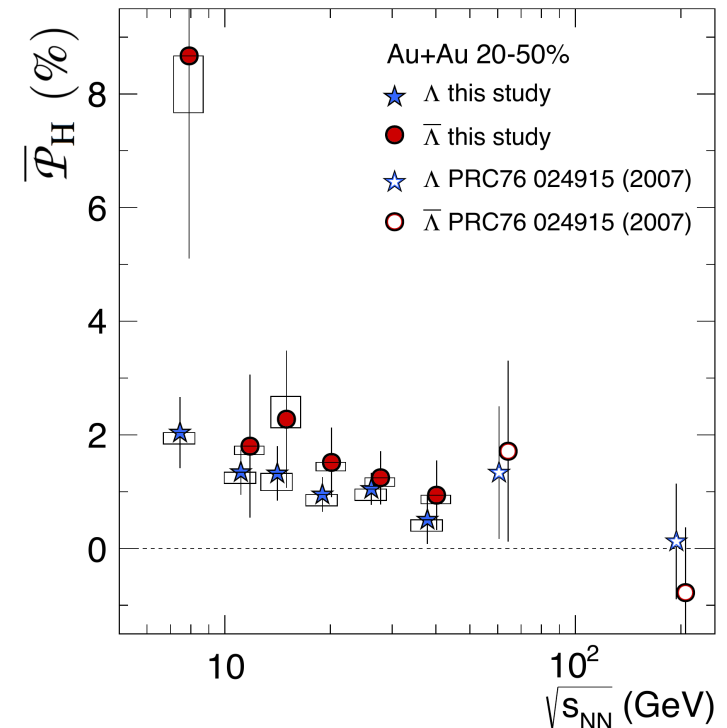
[M. Baznat, K. Gudima, A. Sorin, O. Teryaev, *Phys.Rev.C* 97 (2018) 4, 041902]

$$\text{CVE: } Q_5^s \sim \langle \Pi_0^{\Lambda, lab} \rangle$$

2. **Acceleration** also leads to polarization

[F. Becattini, V. Chandra, L. Del Zanna, E. Grossi *Annals Phys.*, 338:32–49, 2013]

$$\langle \Pi_\mu(p) \rangle \simeq \frac{1}{8} \epsilon_{\mu\rho\sigma\tau} \frac{p^\tau}{m} \frac{\int d\Sigma_\lambda p^\lambda n_F (1 - n_F) \partial^\rho \beta^\sigma}{\int d\Sigma_\lambda p^\lambda n_F}$$



[Nature, 548:62–65, 2017]

Introduction: quantum anomalies in hydrodynamics

gauge part

Chiral anomaly

gravitational part

$$\nabla_\mu j_5^\mu = -\frac{Q^2 e^2}{16\pi^2 \sqrt{-g}} \varepsilon^{\mu\alpha\beta} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{384\pi^2 \sqrt{-g}} \varepsilon^{\mu\mu\rho\sigma} R_{\mu\nu\kappa\lambda} R_{\rho\sigma}{}^{\kappa\lambda}$$

Holography

- [K. Landsteiner, E. Megias, F. Pena-Benitez. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 107, 021601 (2011).]
- [M. Stone and J. Kim, *Phys. Rev. D* 98, no. 2, 025012 (2018).]
- [S. P. Robinson, F. Wilczek *Phys.Rev.Lett.* 95 (2005) 011303 MIT-CTP-3561 gr-qc/0502074.]



Although the gravitational chiral anomaly is **not important** in **volume**, it is significant at the **boundary** or at the **horizon**.

Gauge chiral anomaly and CVE

$$j_5^\mu = n_5 u^\mu + \frac{\mu^2 + \mu_5^2}{2\pi^2} \omega^\mu + \frac{\mu}{2\pi^2} B^\mu$$

[D. T. Son and P. Surowka, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 103 (2009) 191601.]
[A. V. Sadofyev, V. I. Shevchenko and V. I. Zakharov, *Phys. Rev. D* 83 (2011) 105025.]



Gravitational part

$$j_5^\lambda = \left(\frac{T^2}{6} + \frac{\mu^2 + \mu_5^2}{2\pi^2} \right) \omega^\lambda$$

Introduction: problems

Vorticity	\leftrightarrow	Magnetic field
Acceleration	\leftrightarrow	Electric field

It is logical to consider *acceleration* effects in addition to vorticity.

Problems

- 1) Quantum effects in hydrodynamics in the case of **acceleration**?
- 2) Quantum anomalies and chiral vortical effect in the case of **higher spins** (spin 1, 3/2, etc.)? Relevant for spin dynamics of vector degrees of freedom (photons, gluons).

**Emergent conical
geometry in the
Zubarev density
operator**

Zubarev density operator for a medium with a thermal vorticity tensor

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left[-b_{\mu} \hat{P}^{\mu} + \frac{1}{2} \varpi_{\mu\nu} \hat{J}^{\mu\nu} + \zeta \hat{Q} \right]$$

$$\varpi_{\mu\nu} \hat{J}^{\mu\nu} = -2\alpha^{\rho} \hat{K}_{\rho} - 2w^{\rho} \hat{J}_{\rho}$$

\hat{K}^{μ} – boost (associated with **acceleration**)

\hat{J}^{μ} – angular momentum (associated with **vorticity**)

Generators of Lorentz transformations

$$\hat{J}^{\mu\nu} = \int_{\Sigma} d\Sigma_{\lambda} \left(x^{\mu} \hat{T}^{\lambda\nu} - x^{\nu} \hat{T}^{\lambda\mu} \right)$$

Temperature and acceleration are independent parameters: different temperature ranges can be considered in an accelerated medium

in contrast of:

Unruh effect: if a Minkowski vacuum is created, then medium temperature **is related** to acceleration

$$T_U = \frac{|a|}{2\pi}$$

Effects of acceleration from Zubarev operator: results ($m=0$)

$$\langle \hat{T}^{\mu\nu} \rangle_{\text{fermi}}^0 = \left(\frac{7\pi^2 T^4}{60} + \frac{T^2 |a|^2}{24} - \frac{17|a|^4}{960\pi^2} \right) u^\mu u^\nu - \left(\frac{7\pi^2 T^4}{180} + \frac{T^2 |a|^2}{72} - \frac{17|a|^4}{2880\pi^2} \right) \Delta^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{O}(a^6)$$

$$\langle \hat{T}^{\mu\nu} \rangle_{\text{real}}^0 = \left(\frac{\pi^2 T^4}{30} + \frac{T^2 |a|^2}{12} - \frac{11|a|^4}{480\pi^2} \right) u^\mu u^\nu - \left(\frac{\pi^2 T^4}{90} - \frac{T^2 |a|^2}{18} + \frac{19|a|^4}{1440\pi^2} \right) \Delta^{\mu\nu} + \left(\frac{T^2}{12} - \frac{|a|^2}{48\pi^2} \right) a^\mu a^\nu + \mathcal{O}(a^6).$$

The energy-momentum tensor **vanishes** at the **Unruh temperature**

$$\langle \hat{T}^{\mu\nu} \rangle = 0 \quad (T = T_U)$$

Corresponds to the results of **non-perturbative** calculation:

- talk of A. Palermo
- [F. Becattini, M. Buzzegoli, A. Palermo, e-Print: 2007.08249]

[F. Becattini, *Phys. Rev. D* 97, no. 8, 085013 (2018)]

Thus, a consequence of the **Unruh effect** is **justified**.

The duality of statistical and geometric approaches

The following expressions were obtained for the vacuum value of T_2^2 in spacetime with a cosmic string [V. P. Frolov and E. M. Serebryanyi, Phys. Rev. D 35, 3779 (1987)]

String:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle T_2^2 \rangle_{s=0} &= \frac{\nu^4}{480\pi^2 r^4} + \frac{\nu^2}{48\pi^2 r^4} - \frac{11}{480\pi^2 r^4} \\ \langle T_2^2 \rangle_{s=1/2} &= \frac{7\nu^4}{960\pi^2 r^4} + \frac{\nu^2}{96\pi^2 r^4} - \frac{17}{960\pi^2 r^4}\end{aligned}$$

Passing to the Euclidean Rindler spacetime, we obtain

Rindler:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_{s=0} &= \frac{\pi^2 T^4}{30} + \frac{T^2 |a|^2}{12} - \frac{11 |a|^4}{480\pi^2}, \\ \rho_{s=1/2} &= \frac{7\pi^2 T^4}{60} + \frac{T^2 |a|^2}{24} - \frac{17 |a|^4}{960\pi^2}\end{aligned}$$

= Zubarev

The coincidence will be for **massive** fields as well

The obtained expressions **correspond** to the energy calculated using the **Zubarev density operator** in inertial frame.

Unruh effect from statistics

The effects of **vorticity** are controlled by **anomalies**

[D. Kharzeev, K. Landsteiner, Andreas Schmitt, and Ho-Ung Yee. Strongly Interacting Matter in Magnetic Fields. Lect. Notes Phys., 871:pp.1–624, 2013]

I. **Acceleration** effects are controlled by the **Unruh effect**.

But the Unruh effect also follows from the **gravitational anomaly**

[S. P. Robinson, F. Wilczek, Phys. Rev. Lett., 95:011303, 2005].

II. Therefore, the effects of **acceleration** are also controlled by **anomalies**.

**Instability below
Unruh
temperature**

Instability below Unruh temperature: acceleration as imaginary chemical potential

The density operator and the covariant Wigner function [F. Becattini, V. Chandra, L. Del Zanna, and E. Grossi, *Annals Phys.*, 338:32-49, 2013] lead to the **integral representation** of energy density

$$\rho = \frac{7\pi^2 T^4}{60} + \frac{T^2 a^2}{24} - \frac{17a^4}{960\pi^2} = 2 \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left(\frac{|\mathbf{p}| + ia}{1 + e^{\frac{|\mathbf{p}|}{T} + \frac{ia}{2T}}} + \frac{|\mathbf{p}| - ia}{1 + e^{\frac{|\mathbf{p}|}{T} - \frac{ia}{2T}}} \right) + 4 \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{|\mathbf{p}|}{e^{\frac{2\pi|\mathbf{p}|}{a}} - 1} \quad (T > T_U) \quad \text{in red: modifications compared to the Wigner function}$$

- In the first integral, the **acceleration** enters as an **imaginary chemical potential** $\pm \frac{ia}{2}$ [G.P., O. Teryaev, V. Zakharov, *Phys. Rev. D* 98, no. 7, 071901 (2018)].

Motivation:

- **Exact match** with the fundamental result from the density operator at $T > T_U$.
- True limit at $a \rightarrow 0$.
- Some terms can be obtained directly from the Wigner function.

Instability below Unruh temperature: jump of the derivative

Comparing the two temperature regions

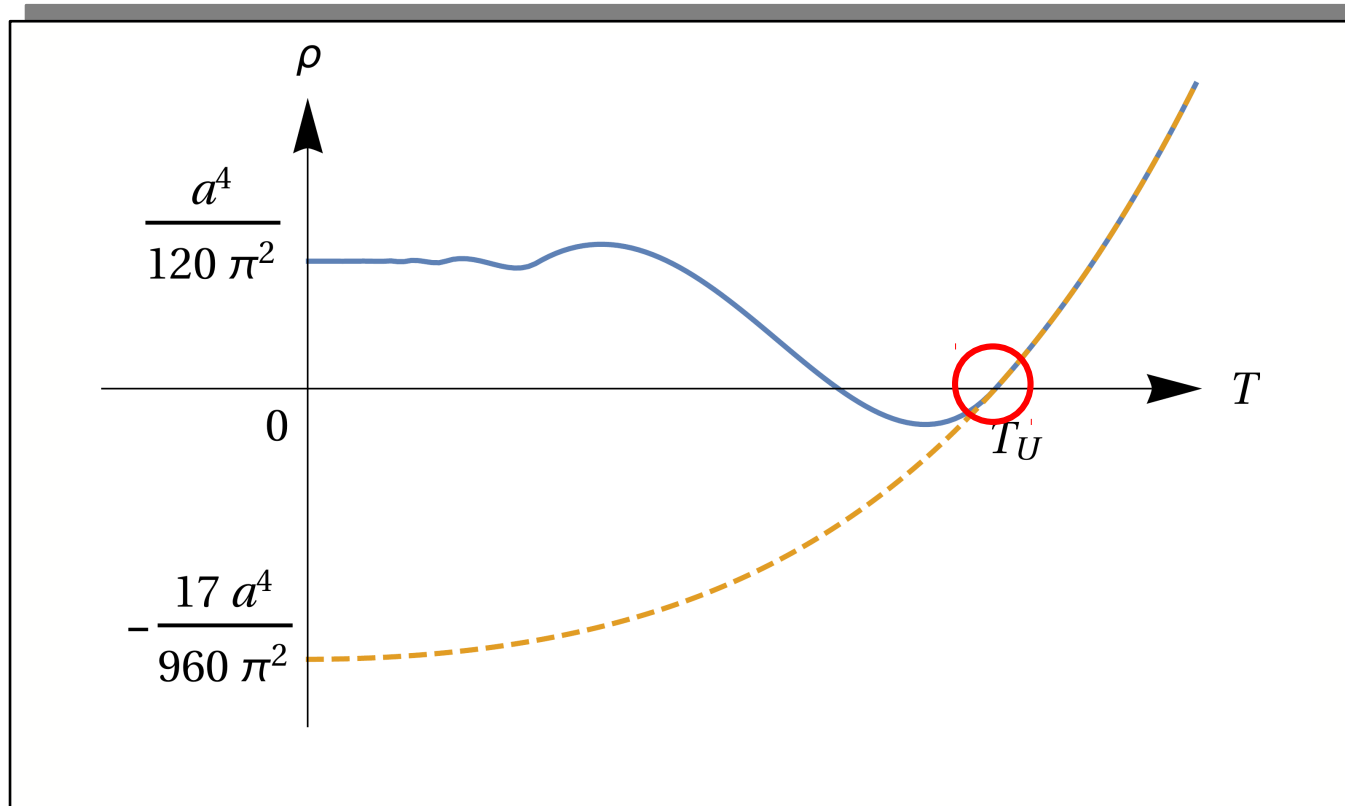
$$\rho = \frac{7\pi^2 T^4}{60} + \frac{T^2 a^2}{24} - \frac{17a^4}{960\pi^2} \quad T > T_U$$

$$\rho = \frac{127\pi^2 T^4}{60} - \frac{11T^2 a^2}{24} - \frac{17a^4}{960\pi^2} - \pi T^3 a + \frac{Ta^3}{4\pi} \quad T < T_U$$

we see that the values in $T = T_U$ coincide, also the first derivatives turn out to be the same, however, a **jump** occurs in the **second derivative**:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{T>T_U}(T \rightarrow T_U) &= \rho_{T<T_U}(T \rightarrow T_U) = 0, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \rho_{T>T_U}(T \rightarrow T_U) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \rho_{T<T_U}(T \rightarrow T_U) = \frac{a^3}{10\pi}, \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial T^2} \rho_{T>T_U}(T \rightarrow T_U) &\neq \frac{\partial^2}{\partial T^2} \rho_{T<T_U}(T \rightarrow T_U), \end{aligned}$$

Instability below Unruh temperature: jump of the derivative

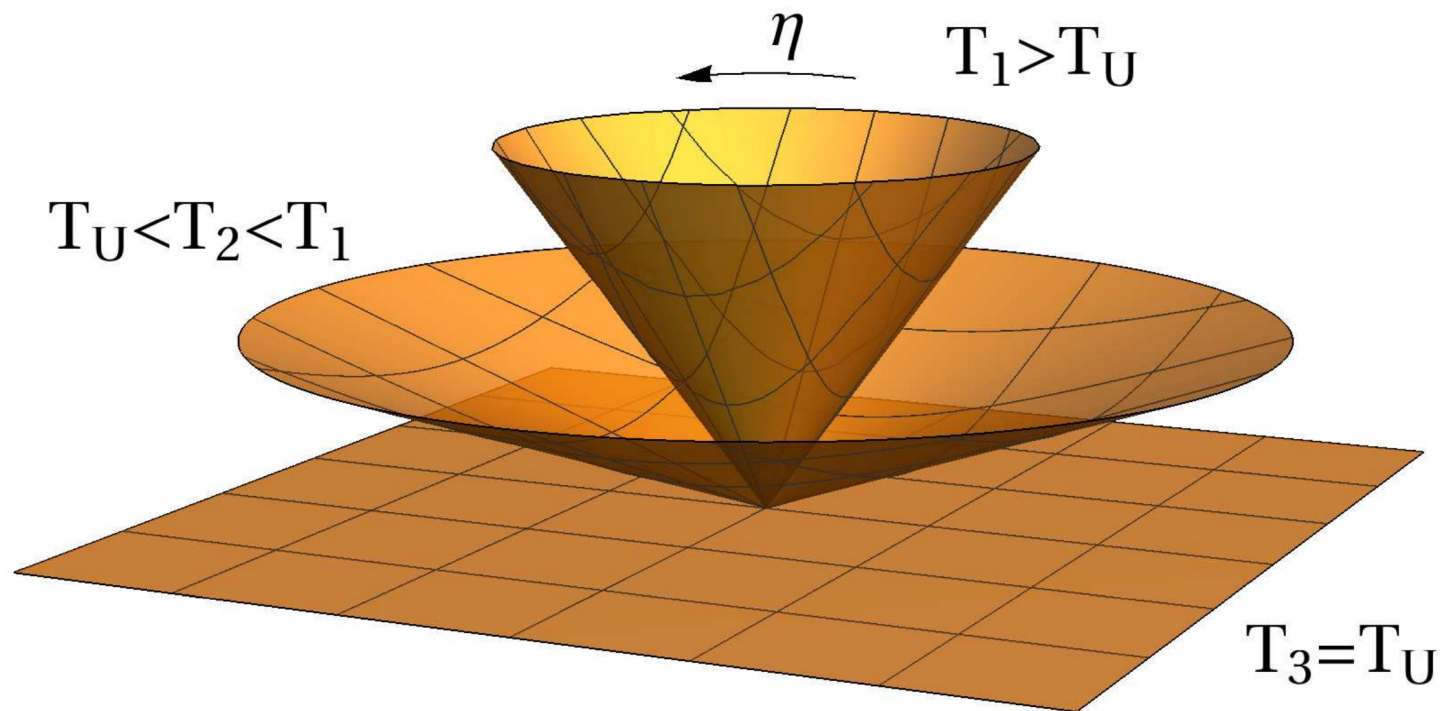


The solid blue line is the energy density as a function of temperature, corresponding to the integral representation.

The dashed orange line - the result of the fundamental perturbative calculation based on the density operator.

Instability at Unruh temperature: source in geometry

In the geometrical language at $T = T_U$ the **cone** transforms into a **plane**.
Statistical instability is accompanied by a qualitative **change** in **geometry**.



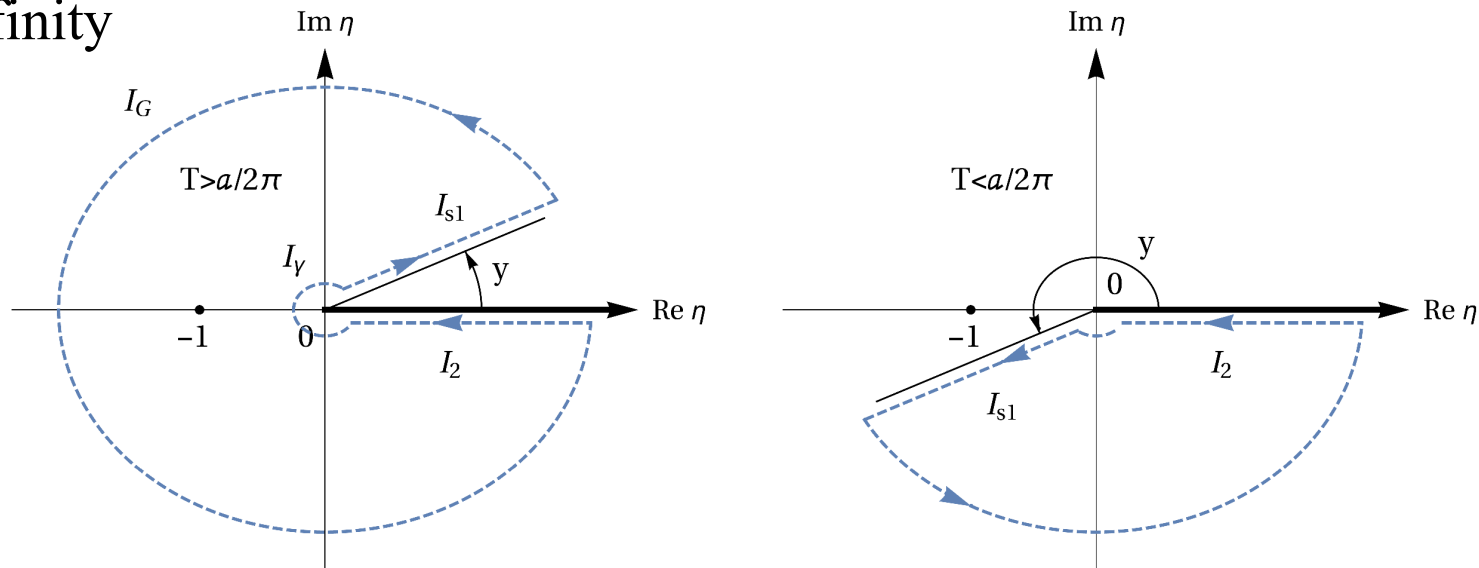
Instability at Unruh temperature

To study the transition through instability point, let's move on to the variable

$\eta = e^{\frac{|\mathbf{p}|}{T} + \frac{i|a|}{2T}}$, then the energy will be expressed through integrals of the form

$$I_{s1} = \int_{I_{s1}} \frac{\eta^D d\eta}{(\eta + 1)^2} F(-iy)$$

Where $D = \frac{\partial}{\partial(-iy)}$ is the derivative operator. The integrand contains the **pole of the Fermi distribution** in the plane of the **complex momentum**. Integrals can be closed at infinity



Chiral vortical effect

CVE for spin 1: problem of the factor 2

- Chiral current for **spin 1** (*magnetic helicity*):

$$K^\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} A_\nu \partial_\rho A_\sigma$$

Other definitions
of chirality for spin 1:

[M. N. Chernodub, et al. Phys.Rev. D98 (2018) no.6, 065016]

- Chiral anomaly for spin 1:**

[A. I. Vainshtein, A. D. Dolgov, V. I. Zakharov,
and I. B. Khriplovich, Sov. Phys. JETP 67
(1988) 1326, Zh. Eksp. Teor. Fiz. 94 (1988) 54]

$$\langle \nabla_\mu K^\mu \rangle = \frac{1}{96\pi^2} R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$$

- According to [M. Stone and J. Kim, Phys. Rev. D98, no. 2, 025012 (2018).]
the coefficient before the anomaly determines the coefficient T^2

$$\frac{(CVE)_{photons}}{(CVE)_{Weyl \text{ fermions}}} \Big|_{black \text{ hole}} = 4$$

$$\frac{(CVE)_{photons}}{(CVE)_{Weyl \text{ spinor}}} \Big|_{Kubo \text{ relation}} = 2$$

[A. Avkhadiev, et al. Phys.Rev. D96 (2017) no.4, 045015]

CVE for spin 1: sources of the problem of the factor 2 and possible solutions

- **Infrared** effects and **zero mode**?

Landau levels in
magneic field:

$$E_n = \pm \sqrt{2H(n + 1/2) + P_3^2 + H\sigma_3}$$

In the gravitational case the gyromagnetic ratio is **two times smaller** and there is **no zero mode for spin 1/2**. *However it may exist for spin 1:*

$$E_{min} = 0, \quad \text{spin } 1, \text{ gravity}$$

- **Regularization** method?

one may consider *another* case:

$$1/R \ll \Omega \ll T$$

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[M. N. Chernodub, et al. Phys.Rev. D98 (2018) no.6, 065016]

- The **duality** $T \leftrightarrow \frac{a}{2\pi}$ of temperature and acceleration?

$$J_{CVE} \sim c_1 T^2 \Omega + c_2 a^2 \Omega$$

may also give *cubic dependence* on spin S^3 (next slide)

Higher spins

Gravitational anomaly for **arbitrary** spin:

[M. J. Duff, Cambridge Univ. Press, 1982, preprint Ref.TH.3232-CERN]

[A.I. Vainshtein, A.D. Dolgov, V. I. Zakharov, and I.B. Khriplovich, Sov. Phys. JETP 67 (1988) 1326, Zh. Eksp. Teor. Fiz. 94 (1988) 54]

$$\nabla_\mu K_S^\mu = \frac{(-1)^{2S}(2S^3 - S)}{192\pi^2\sqrt{-g}} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} R_{\mu\nu\kappa\lambda} R_{\rho\sigma}{}^{\kappa\lambda}$$

- Used in supersymmetry
- Checked in other approaches for 3/2

Prediction for **vortical** chiral **current** (CVE) of **arbitrary spin**:

$$\vec{K}_S = \frac{(-1)^{2S}(2S^3 - S)}{3} T^2 \vec{\Omega} \text{ (gravitational anomaly)}$$

The statistical approach **does not** reproduce the **cubic dependence** S^3

[X. G. Huang, et al. JHEP 03, 084 (2019)]

Conclusions

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1. **Quantum** corrections with **acceleration** in the energy-momentum tensor (scalar and Dirac fields, massive and massless) are found.

These corrections:

- **controlled** by the **Unruh effect**
- match the predictions of field theory in **spacetime** with **conical singularity** (cosmic strings)

2. A **jump-like behavior** of the observables is observed around the Unruh temperature.

3. There is a *discrepancy* between the predictions of the **gravitational anomaly** and the **statistical** calculations in the case of the chiral vortical effect for **spin 1** (and higher spins).

Conclusions

The physics of *chiral phenomena* is looking for manifestations of the fundamental effects of **quantum field theory** and **general relativity** in **hydrodynamics** and opens up a unique opportunity to study **quantum anomalies** on the present experimental level.

Thank you for attention!