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# Vacuum Viscosity: The Unruh Effect vs. String Theory Bound

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# **Part 1**

# **Introduction and motivation**

# New area: vorticity, acceleration and external field effects in HICs

- **Extreme vorticity** ( $10^{22} \text{ sec}^{-1}$ ) and external fields observed in heavy ion collisions.
- Unusual **quantum effects** related to **vorticity** and external fields can be observed, e.g. **vortical polarization**:

[STAR, Nature (2017), arXiv: 1701.06657]

[Rogachevsky, Sorin, Teryaev, PRC (2010), e-Print: 1006.1331]

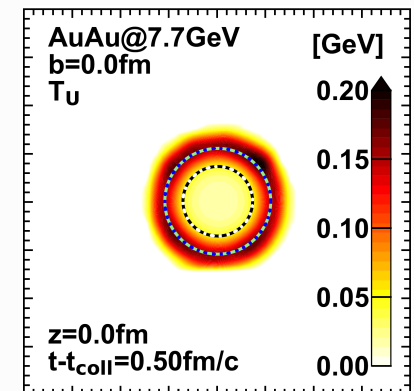
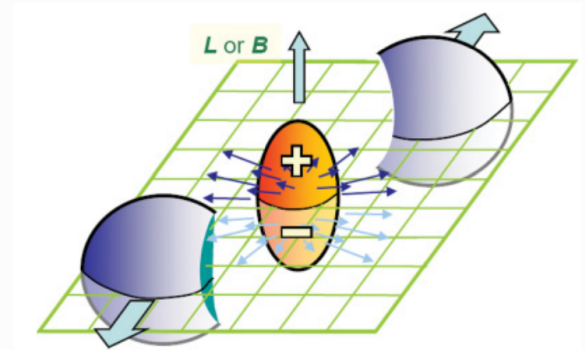
[Becattini, Karpenko, Lisa, Upsal, Voloshin, PRC (2017)]

- Plenty of results have been obtained related with **vorticity** and **magnetic field** effects:

[Son, Surowka, PRL (2009), e-Print: 0906.5044]

[Prokhorov, Teryaev, Zakharov, PRL (2022), e-Print: 2207.04449]

[Braguta, Kotov, Kuznedelev, Roenko, PRC (2021), e-Print: 2102.05084]



Acceleration is also high!

[GP, Shohonov, Teryaev, Tsegelnik, Zakharov, 2025, 2502.10146]

Modern development: **acceleration** and **dissipation** effects

little studied



# Unruh effect



[Blasone, (2018), e-Print: 1911.06002]

## Formulation

The Minkowski vacuum is perceived by an accelerated observer as a medium with a finite (Unruh) temperature:

[W. G. Unruh, Notes on black hole evaporation, Phys. Rev. D14, 870 (1976)]

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

# Minimal viscosity bound

Bound inspired by string theory:

[Kovtun, Son, Starinets, PRL (2005),  
arXiv:hep-th/0405231]

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \geq \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

**KSS-bound**

- **There are no completely ideal fluids!**
- Plenty of work about KSS Bound
- **Does not cover case of Rindler space!**

## Statement of the problem

- Does **Unruh** radiation have **viscosity**?
- How is it related to the **KSS bound  $1/4\pi$** ?

## **Part 2**

**Shear viscosity  
in Rindler space  
from Kubo formula**



# Method

# Rindler coordinates and stretched horizon

- **Rindler's metric** describes the accelerated reference system:

$$ds^2 = \rho^2 d\tau^2 - dx^2 - dy^2 - d\rho^2$$

$$\text{Horizon : } g_{00}(\rho = 0) = 0$$

$$a = \frac{1}{\rho} \quad \text{acceleration} \sim \text{the inverse distance to the horizon.}$$

- Fields live above the **stretched horizon**:

$$\rho \in [l_c, \infty)$$

[Parikh, Wilczek, PRD (1998), arXiv:gr-qc/9712077]

# Kubo formula: Rindler space

Due to the fluctuation-dissipation theorem, dissipation coefficients can be found from fluctuations in equilibrium:

## Kubo's formula for viscosity

[Zubarev, Nonequilibrium statistical thermodynamics, Studies in soviet science, 1974]

$$\eta = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\omega} \int d^4x e^{i\omega t} \theta(t) \langle [\hat{T}_{xy}(x), \hat{T}_{xy}(0)] \rangle$$

## In the Rindler space:

[Chirco, Eling, Liberati, PRD (2010), arXiv:1005.0475]

$$\eta = \pi \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \int_{l_c}^{\infty} \rho' d\rho' \int_{l_c}^{\infty} \rho d\rho \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx dy d\tau e^{i\omega\tau} \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{xy}(\tau, x, y, \rho) \hat{T}_{xy}(0, 0, 0, \rho') | 0 \rangle_M$$

- We consider free fields:

$$\eta = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \int \text{diagram}$$

per unit horizon area

$$\eta = \int_{l_c}^{\infty} d\rho' \eta_{\text{loc}}(\rho')$$



Spin  $\frac{1}{2}$

# Correlator with two EMTs

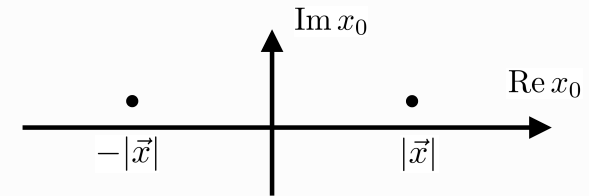
- Belinfante energy-momentum tensor for free massless Dirac fields:

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{4}(\bar{\psi}\gamma_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}\psi - \partial_{\nu}\bar{\psi}\gamma_{\mu}\psi + \bar{\psi}\gamma_{\nu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - \partial_{\mu}\bar{\psi}\gamma_{\nu}\partial_{\nu}\psi)$$

- Propagator (Wightman function)

$$S_{ab}(x) = \langle 0|\psi_a(x)\bar{\psi}_b(0)|0\rangle_M = \frac{i}{2\pi^2} \frac{(\gamma x)_{ab}}{(x^2 - i\epsilon x_0)^2}$$

- The poles are shifted upward relative to the real time axis:



**The result is:**  $\langle 0|\hat{T}_{\mu\nu}(x)\hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}(y)|0\rangle_M = \frac{8}{\pi^4}\mathcal{I}_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(x-y)$

$$\mathcal{I}_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(b) = \frac{b_{\mu}b_{\nu}b_{\alpha}b_{\beta}}{\bar{b}^{12}} - \frac{\eta_{\mu\alpha}b_{\nu}b_{\beta}}{4\bar{b}^{10}} - \frac{\eta_{\nu\alpha}b_{\mu}b_{\beta}}{4\bar{b}^{10}} - \frac{\eta_{\mu\beta}b_{\nu}b_{\alpha}}{4\bar{b}^{10}} - \frac{\eta_{\nu\beta}b_{\mu}b_{\alpha}}{4\bar{b}^{10}} + \frac{\eta_{\mu\alpha}\eta_{\nu\beta}}{8\bar{b}^8} + \frac{\eta_{\mu\beta}\eta_{\nu\alpha}}{8\bar{b}^8} - \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}\eta_{\alpha\beta}}{16\bar{b}^8}$$

$\bar{b}^2 = b^2 - i\epsilon b_0$       **poles are shifted**



# Fourier transform in Rindler space

Let's move on to **integration by Rindler time**  $d\tau$

We move on to the Rindler coordinates in the integrand

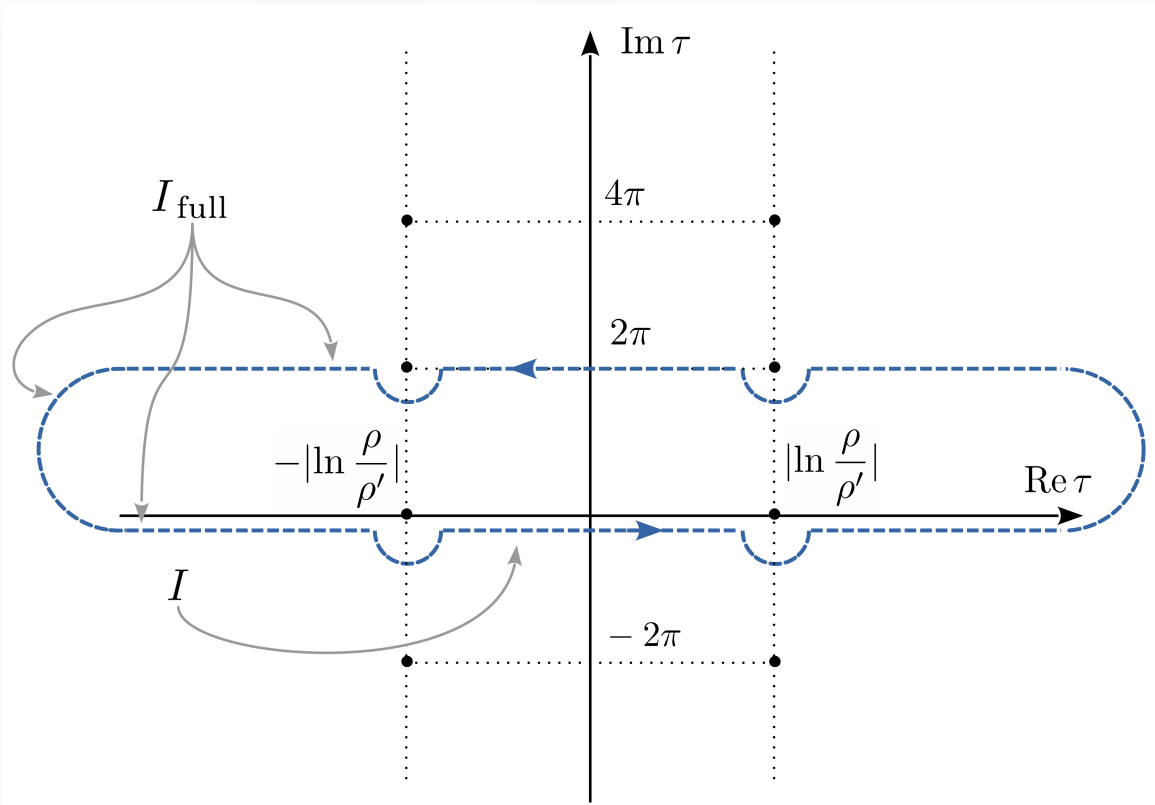
$$I = \pi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau e^{i\tau\omega} \frac{1}{5\pi^3 \alpha^3} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{i\tau\omega}}{5\pi^2 (\rho^2 + \rho'^2 - 2\rho\rho' \cosh(\tau) + i\varepsilon\tau)^3} d\tau$$

An infinite number of **periodic poles** located parallel to the imaginary axis:

$$\tau = \pm \ln \frac{\rho}{\rho'} (1 + i\varepsilon) + 2\pi i n \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2 \dots$$

# Fourier transform in Rindler space

Using the periodicity of the integrand with respect to the shift in the direction of the imaginary axis, we can close the integral:



- The relationship between the desired integral and the integral over a closed contour:

$$I = (1 - e^{-2\pi\omega})^{-1} I_{\text{full}}$$

- Only two poles fall inside the circuit.

$$\tau = \pm \ln \frac{\rho}{\rho'}$$

Let's use **Cauchy's theorem** and find the residues at the poles:

$$I_{\text{full}} = 2\pi i \sum_{\tau_0 = \pm \ln \frac{\rho}{\rho'}} \text{Res}_{\tau \rightarrow \tau_0} \frac{e^{i\tau\omega}}{5\pi^2 [\rho^2 + \rho'^2 - 2\rho\rho' \cosh(\tau)]^3}$$

# Fourier transform in Rindler space

We obtain the **local viscosity**:

$$\eta_{\text{loc}}^{\text{Dirac}}(\rho) = \frac{\rho \left[ \rho^4 + 4\rho^2 l_c^2 - 5l_c^4 - 4l_c^2(2\rho^2 + l_c^2) \ln \frac{\rho}{l_c} \right]}{40(\rho^2 - l_c^2)^4 \pi^2}$$

By directly integrating over the distance to the horizon, we obtain the **viscosity per unit area of the horizon**:

$$\eta^{\text{Dirac}} = \frac{1}{240\pi^2 l_c^2}$$

# Entropy

[Page, PRD 25, 1499 (1982)]

[Prokhorov, Teryaev, Zakharov, PRD (2019), arXiv:1903.09697]

[Buzzegoli, Grossi, Becattini, JHEP (2017), arXiv:1704.02808]

The energy-momentum tensor is known:

$$\langle \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{Dirac}} \rangle = \left( \frac{7\pi^2 T^4}{60} + \frac{T^2 |a|^2}{24} - \frac{17|a|^4}{960\pi^2} \right) \left( u_\mu u_\nu - \frac{\Delta_{\mu\nu}}{3} \right)$$

Unlike a scalar field, the quadratic acceleration term contributes to the entropy

$$s_{\text{loc}} = \left. \frac{\partial p}{\partial T} \right|_a \quad \Rightarrow \quad s_{\text{loc}}^{\text{Dirac}}(T, a) = \frac{7\pi^2 T^3}{45} + \frac{T|a|^2}{36}$$

- We apply approach from the **relativistic spin hydrodynamics**

[Becattini, Daher, Sheng, PLB (2024), arXiv:2309.05789]

[Obukhov, Piskareva, Class. Quantum Grav.(1989)]

Local entropy (for Minkowski vacuum):

$$s_{\text{loc}}^{\text{Dirac}}(\rho) = \frac{1}{30\pi\rho^3}$$

Entropy per unit area of the horizon:

$$s^{\text{Dirac}} = \frac{1}{60\pi l_c^2}$$

# Shear viscosity/entropy ratio

Global viscosity and entropy:

$$\eta^{\text{Dirac}} = \frac{1}{240\pi^2 l_c^2} \quad s^{\text{Dirac}} = \frac{1}{60\pi l_c^2}$$

- **Ratio is finite and does not depend on  $l_c$**

$$\left. \frac{\eta}{s} \right|_{\text{Dirac}} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

**Saturates KSS bound**

The ratio of local viscosity to local entropy is described by the function:

$$\frac{\eta_{\text{loc}}}{s_{\text{loc}}}(\rho) = f(\rho/l_c)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^4(x^4 + 4x^2 - 5 - 4(2x^2 + 1)\ln x)}{4\pi(x - 1)^4}$$

# Spin 0

[Chirco, Eling, Liberati, PRD (2010), arXiv:1005.0475]

# Shear viscosity/entropy ratio

- Viscosity and entropy:

$$\eta^{\text{scalar}} = \frac{1}{1440\pi^2 l_c^2}$$

$$s^{\text{scalar}} = \frac{1}{360\pi l_c^2}$$

- Ratio is finite and does not depend on  $l_c$**

$$\left. \frac{\eta}{s} \right|_{\text{scalar}} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

**Saturates KSS bound**

- The ratio of local viscosity to local entropy is described by a function depending on  $l_c$  :

$$\frac{\eta_{\text{loc}}}{s_{\text{loc}}}(\rho) = f(\rho/l_c)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^4(x^4 + 4x^2 - 5 - 4(2x^2 + 1)\ln x)}{4\pi(x - 1)^4}$$



Spin 1



# Shear viscosity/entropy ratio

Viscosity and entropy differ from the case of spins 0 and  $\frac{1}{2}$

$$\eta^{\text{photon}} = \frac{1}{120\pi^2 l_c^2} \quad s^{\text{photon}} = \frac{1}{30\pi l_c^2}$$

The ratio satisfies the KSS bound

$$\left. \frac{\eta}{s} \right|_{\text{photon}} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

The ratio of local viscosity to local entropy is described by the same universal function as for spins 0 and  $\frac{1}{2}$ :

$$\left. \frac{\eta_{\text{loc}}}{s_{\text{loc}}}(\rho) \right|_{\text{photon}} = f(\rho/l_c)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^4(x^4 + 4x^2 - 5 - 4(2x^2 + 1)\ln x)}{4\pi(x - 1)^4}$$



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## Comparison with string theory

[Buchel, Liu and Starinets, Nucl.Phys.B (2005) arXiv:hep-th/0406264]

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ 1 + \frac{135\zeta(3)}{8(2g^2N_c)^{3/2}} + \dots \right]$$

From string theory: KSS-bound is saturated for strong coupling (big 't Hooft coupling)

- In our case, the **opposite situation** – KSS-bound is saturated for **free fields**.

Free fields - what is the source of viscosity?

**Key question:** what is the source of nontrivial viscosity for free fields?

# “Entanglement” viscosity?

## Indirect indication of a connection with entanglement:

- Entropy is in the denominator  $s^{\text{scalar}} = \frac{1}{6}s^{\text{Dirac}} = \frac{1}{12}s^{\text{photon}} = \frac{1}{360\pi l_c^2}$

is related to entanglement → viscosity in numerator is also related to entanglement

- Correlator as in **Minkowski space**  $\langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}(y) | 0 \rangle_M$



**Question:** why the non-trivial answer being received?



Integration when taking the Fourier transform is performed only over a **part of the Minkowski space** → **the right Rindler wedge**

- No final answer** → consider other systems with entanglement entropy?

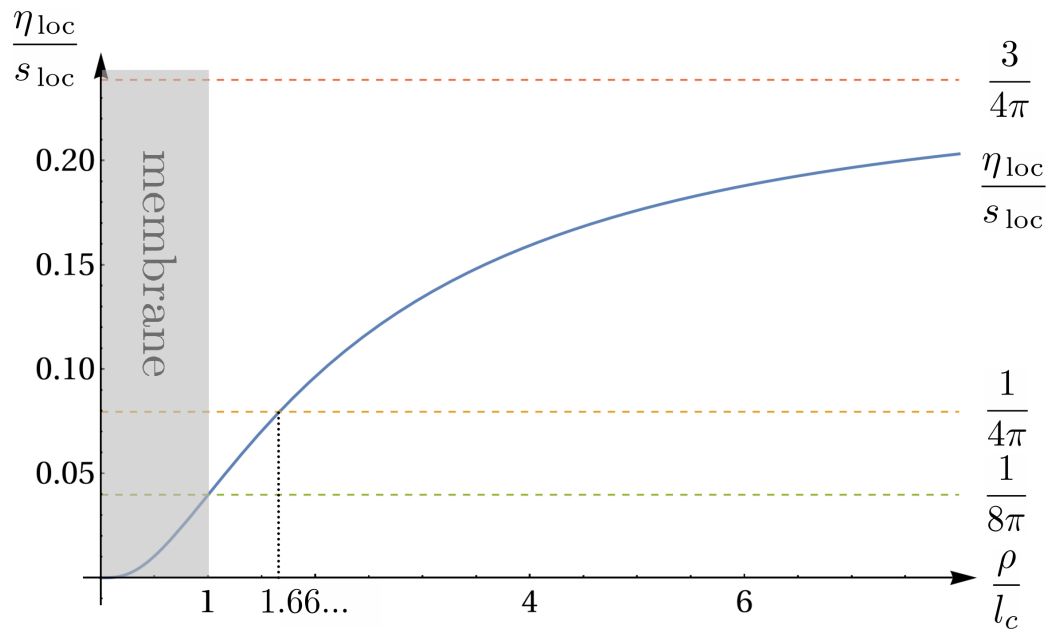
# Local vs global

For all cases considered, the ratio of local shear viscosity and entropy is described by the universal function

$$\frac{\eta_{\text{loc}}}{s_{\text{loc}}}(\rho) = f(\rho/l_c)$$

where

$$f(x) = \frac{x^4(x^4 + 4x^2 - 5 - 4(2x^2 + 1)\ln x)}{4\pi(x - 1)^4}$$



- On the surface of the membrane:

$$\frac{\eta_{\text{loc}}}{s_{\text{loc}}}(\rho = l_c) = \frac{1}{8\pi}$$

- On the contrary, far away from the membrane, the ratio is **higher** than the **KSS bound**:

$$\frac{\eta_{\text{loc}}}{s_{\text{loc}}}(\rho \rightarrow \infty) \rightarrow \frac{3}{4\pi}$$

# **Part 3**

**Preliminary  
results**

# Generalization: universality for conformal field theories

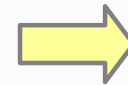
- For conformal field theory, the correlator of two EMTs has a universal form up to a common coefficient:  
[J. Erdmenger and H. Osborn, Nucl. Phys. B 483, 431-474 (1997)]

$$\langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}(y) | 0 \rangle_M = \frac{C_T \mathcal{J}_{\mu\nu,\alpha\beta}(x-y)}{[(x-y)^2 - i\varepsilon(x-y)_0]^4}$$

Conformal central charge

- All calculations using Kubo formula are exactly the same for different fields - **universality** of function describing **local shear viscosity**:

$$\eta_{\text{loc}}(\rho) = \frac{C_T \pi^2}{80} \cdot \frac{\rho \left[ \rho^4 + 4\rho^2 l_c^2 - 5l_c^4 - 4l_c^2 (2\rho^2 + l_c^2) \ln\left(\frac{\rho}{l_c}\right) \right]}{(\rho^2 - l_c^2)^4 \pi^2}$$



$$\eta = \frac{C_T \pi^2}{480 l_c^2}$$

**global  
viscosity**

# Generalization: universality for conformal field theories

- There is a technique to find perturbative effects of small angular deficit using modular Hamiltonian (which is actually a boost operator):

[M. Smolkin and S. N. Solodukhin, Phys. Rev. D 91, no.4, 044008 (2015)]

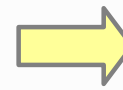
$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow 1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \langle \hat{T}_{ij} \rangle = -\langle \hat{T}_{ij} \hat{K}_0 \rangle = -\frac{C_T \pi^2 \delta_{ij}}{120 \rho^4}$$

- The derivative with respect to the angular deficit corresponds to the derivative with respect to temperature:

$$\nu = \frac{2\pi T}{a} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lim_{\nu \rightarrow 1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow T_U} \frac{\partial}{\partial T}$$

- Thus, the derivative found with respect to the angular deficit gives the entropy for an arbitrary conformal field theory:

$$s_{\text{loc}} = \lim_{T \rightarrow T_U} \left. \frac{\partial p}{\partial T} \right|_{a=\text{const}} = \frac{C_T \pi^3}{60 \rho^3}$$



$$s = \frac{C_T \pi^3}{120 l_c^2}$$



# Generalization: universality for conformal field theories

- Thus, shear viscosity and entropy are proportional to the conformal central charge. The ratio is universal and saturates the KSS bound:

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{C_T \pi^2}{480 l_c^2} / \frac{C_T \pi^3}{120 l_c^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

- A similar answer can be obtained in a slightly different way, using the results of the work:

[M. R. Brown, A. C. Ottewill and D. N. Page, Phys. Rev. D 33, 2840-2850 (1986)]

# Anomalous transport: relation to conformal anomaly

- Various new **transport phenomena** related to **quantum anomalies** (see talk of Oleg V. Teryaev).
- **Novel transport phenomenon** in accelerated system, associated with **conformal gravitational quantum anomaly**!

conformal  
anomaly:

$$\langle \hat{T}_\mu^\mu \rangle = \alpha \left( H + \frac{2}{3} \nabla^2 R \right) + bG + c \nabla^2 R$$

$$H = C_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} C^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \quad \text{term with Weyl tensor}$$

- It can be shown, that:

[H. Osborn and A. C. Petkou, *Annals Phys.* 231, 311-362 (1994)]

$$C_T = -\frac{640}{\pi^2} \alpha$$

- Then the **viscosity of the accelerated system** (curvature is zero) is **determined by the anomaly** in the curved space:

$$\eta = \frac{C_T \pi^2}{480 l_c^2}$$



$$\eta = -\frac{4\alpha}{3l_c^2}$$

# Bound for bulk viscosity

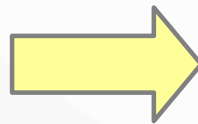
- Lowest order mass corrections to **bulk viscosity** and **speed of sound**:

$$\zeta_{\text{loc}} = \frac{m^2 |a|}{36\pi^2} \quad c_s^2 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{5m^2}{9|a|^2}$$

- The bound for bulk viscosity** (also predicted within holographic approach) **is saturated!**

[A. Buchel, Phys. Lett. B 663, 286 (2008)]

$$\frac{\zeta}{\eta} \geq 2 \left( \frac{1}{p} - c_s^2 \right)$$



$$\frac{\zeta_{\text{loc}}}{\eta_{\text{loc}}} = 2 \left( \frac{1}{3} - c_s^2 \right)$$

# “Wandering” Planck constant

- In the original holographic derivation of KSS bound the **viscosity is “classical”** – Planck’s constant comes from the **“quantum”** Bekenstein-Hawking **entropy**:

$$\eta \sim \mathcal{O}(\hbar^0)$$

$$s \sim \frac{A}{\hbar G} \sim \mathcal{O}(\hbar^{-1})$$

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{\hbar}{4\pi}$$

- In our case, the viscosity is determined by a **one-loop** diagram calculated directly within the framework of the **QFT** – it contains Planck's constant:

$$\eta_{\text{loc}} \sim \frac{T_U^3}{\hbar^2}$$

$$s_{\text{loc}} \sim \frac{T_U^3}{\hbar^3}$$

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{\hbar}{4\pi}$$

However, the result is the same:  
**“Wandering” Planck constant**

# Problem: higher dimensions, $d=6,8\dots$

That is, shear viscosity/entropy density ratio doesn't depend on type of the conformal field, but can **depend on number of dimensions**:

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{g_{\eta}(d)}{g_s(d)}$$

In particular:

$$d = 4 : \quad \frac{g_{\eta}(4)}{g_s(4)} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

$$d = 6 : \quad \frac{g_{\eta}(6)}{g_s(6)} = \frac{1}{8\pi}$$

$$d = 8 : \quad \frac{g_{\eta}(8)}{g_s(8)} = \frac{1}{100\pi}$$

- In higher dimensions **does not meet the expected KSS bound**.
- **Problem** also discussed in:  
[Chirco, Eling, Liberati, PRD (2010), arXiv:1005.0475]
- Peculiarities of entropy calculation – why only one regularized integral?
- We assumed that the KSS bound is valid for quantities integrated over the distance from the horizon. Doesn't work in higher dimensions?



# Conclusion

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- The viscosity in the Rindler space for fields with **spins  $\frac{1}{2}$**  and **1** is calculated directly. This viscosity is, apparently, is a manifestation of **entanglement**.
- The average values of shear viscosity and entropy are different for different fields. However, their ratio satisfies the **KSS bound** for **all** considered **fields**:  $\eta/s = 1/4\pi$ .
- The obtained results support the **“objective” interpretation** of the **Unruh effect** – a medium arises that has finite **temperature**  $T = T_U$  and **viscosity**  $\eta/s = 1/4\pi$ .
- **Locally**, the viscosity-to-entropy ratio may **violate KSS bound**. On the stretched horizon  $\eta_{\text{loc}}/s_{\text{loc}} = 1/8\pi$ . In general, the ratio is described by a **universal** function that is the same for different types of fields.
- The result **is generalized to an arbitrary conformal field theory** in 4 dimensions.
- The obtained viscosity is a **new type of anomalous transport phenomenon** related with **conformal gravitational anomaly**.
- In order  $m^2$  also another bound for **bulk viscosity** is also **saturated** (for local quantities and massive Dirac fields).
- Unlike the original duality derivation, viscosity and entropy are "quantum" – **“wandering” Planck constant**.
- **Problem:** the ratio  $\eta/s$  **depends on the dimension** of spacetime (but does not depend on the (conformal) field type).



**Thank you for your attention!**



# Emergent gravity and Membrane paradigm (general idea and very superficial overview)

## 1 Scenario: Emergent gravity

[Jacobson, PRL (1995), e-Print: gr-qc/9504004]

[Eling, JHEP (2008), e-Print: 0806.3165]

Принцип  
эквивалентности:  
локальный горизонт  
Ридлера в каждой точке

+

Horizon area is  
related to entropy

$$S = \frac{k_B A}{4l_p^2}$$

Raychaudhuri equation relates  
horizon area (and entropy)  
increase to shear (constructed  
from tangent vectors to  
geodesics)

equilibrium

$$\delta Q = T \delta S$$

nonequilibrium

$$\delta Q = T \delta S + \delta W$$

EMT of matter contributes to the  
heat flux (and entropy increase)  
inside horizon

$$\delta Q = \int T_{\mu\nu} \xi^\mu d\Sigma^\nu$$

Raychaudhuri equation relates  
horizon area (and entropy)  
increase to Einstein tensor

Einstein equation

Work of shear forces in  
hydrodynamics

$$\delta W = 2\eta \int \sigma_{\mu\nu} \sigma^{\mu\nu} d\Sigma$$

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

# Emergent gravity and Membrane paradigm (general idea and very superficial overview)

## 1 Scenario: Emergent gravity

[Jacobson, PRL (1995), e-Print: gr-qc/9504004]

[Eling, JHEP (2008), e-Print: 0806.3165]

The principle of equivalence:

Ridler's local horizon at each point +

Horizon area is related to entropy

$$S = \frac{k_B A}{4l_p^2}$$

equilibrium

$$\delta Q = T \delta S$$

nonequilibrium

$$\delta Q = T \delta S + \delta W$$

Einstein equation

Prediction for viscosity

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

## 2 Scenario: Membrane paradigm

Stretched horizon:

[Susskind, The Black Hole War, 2009]

- Due to the slowdown of the time near the horizon, the matter falling on it “sticks” at a certain distance from horizon
- “Spread” in the transverse direction.

$$\rho = 0$$

true horizon

$$\rho = l_c$$

stretched horizon

Membrane :  $0 \leq \rho \leq l_c$

- Membrane paradigm
- It has hydrodynamic properties
- It has viscosity  $\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$

[Thorne, Price, Macdonald, Black holes: the membrane paradigm (1986)]

[Parikh, Wilczek, PRD (1998), arXiv:gr-qc/9712077]

By integrating the action, we can obtain the Navier-Stokes equation

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R + \frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^3x \sqrt{\pm h} K + S_{\text{matter}}$$

# Correlator with two EMTs

[Birrell, Davies, Quantum Fields in Curved Space, Cambridge University Press, 1982]

- Improved stress-energy tensor of a massless real scalar field:

$$T_{\mu\nu} = (1 - 2\xi)\partial_\mu\varphi\partial_\nu\varphi + (2\xi - \frac{1}{2})\eta_{\mu\nu}\partial_\alpha\varphi\partial^\alpha\varphi - 2\xi(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\varphi)\varphi + \frac{\xi}{2}\eta_{\mu\nu}\varphi\partial^\alpha\partial_\alpha\varphi$$

- The correlator can be found in the Minkowski metric:

$$\langle 0|\hat{T}_{\mu\nu}(x)\hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}(y)|0\rangle_M = \underbrace{\frac{4}{3\pi^4}\mathcal{I}_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(x-y)}_{\text{a piece universal for conformally symmetric theories}} + \underbrace{\frac{240(\xi - 1/6)^2}{\pi^4}\tilde{\mathcal{I}}_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(x-y)}_{\text{deviation from conformal symmetry}}$$

a piece **universal for conformally symmetric theories**

deviation from conformal symmetry

[Erdmenger, Osborn, Nucl.Phys.B (1997), arXiv:hep-th/9605009]

$$\mathcal{I}_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(b) = \frac{b_\mu b_\nu b_\alpha b_\beta}{\bar{b}^{12}} - \frac{\eta_{\mu\alpha} b_\nu b_\beta}{4\bar{b}^{10}} - \frac{\eta_{\nu\alpha} b_\mu b_\beta}{4\bar{b}^{10}} - \frac{\eta_{\mu\beta} b_\nu b_\alpha}{4\bar{b}^{10}} - \frac{\eta_{\nu\beta} b_\mu b_\alpha}{4\bar{b}^{10}} + \frac{\eta_{\mu\alpha}\eta_{\nu\beta}}{8\bar{b}^8} + \frac{\eta_{\mu\beta}\eta_{\nu\alpha}}{8\bar{b}^8} - \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}\eta_{\alpha\beta}}{16\bar{b}^8}$$

- The general structure follows from symmetry and dimensional considerations

$$\tilde{\mathcal{I}}_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(b) = \frac{b_\mu b_\nu b_\alpha b_\beta}{\bar{b}^{12}} - \frac{\eta_{\mu\alpha} b_\nu b_\beta}{10\bar{b}^{10}} - \frac{\eta_{\nu\alpha} b_\mu b_\beta}{10\bar{b}^{10}} - \frac{\eta_{\mu\beta} b_\nu b_\alpha}{10\bar{b}^{10}} - \frac{\eta_{\nu\beta} b_\mu b_\alpha}{10\bar{b}^{10}} + \frac{\eta_{\mu\alpha}\eta_{\nu\beta}}{80\bar{b}^8} + \frac{\eta_{\mu\beta}\eta_{\nu\alpha}}{80\bar{b}^8} + \frac{13\eta_{\mu\nu}\eta_{\alpha\beta}}{80\bar{b}^8} - \frac{3\eta_{\mu\nu}b_\alpha b_\beta}{10\bar{b}^{10}} - \frac{3\eta_{\alpha\beta}b_\mu b_\nu}{10\bar{b}^{10}}.$$

$$\bar{b}^2 = b^2 - i\varepsilon b_0 \quad \text{poles are shifted}$$

# Fourier transform in Rindler space

The dependence on  $\xi$  goes away after integration in the horizon plane:

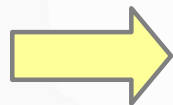
$$\int dx dy \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}(t, x, y, z) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}(0, 0, 0, z') | 0 \rangle_M = - \frac{1}{30\pi^3(t^2 - (z - z')^2 - i\epsilon t)^3}$$

Local viscosity – at a certain distance from the horizon

$$\eta_{\text{loc}}^{\text{scalar}}(\rho) = \frac{\rho \left[ \rho^4 + 4\rho^2 l_c^2 - 5l_c^4 - 4l_c^2(2\rho^2 + l_c^2) \ln \frac{\rho}{l_c} \right]}{240(\rho^2 - l_c^2)^4 \pi^2}$$

Viscosity per unit area of the horizon:

$$\eta = \int_{l_c}^{\infty} d\rho' \eta_{\text{loc}}(\rho')$$



$$\eta^{\text{scalar}} = \frac{1}{1440\pi^2 l_c^2}$$

- Diverges in the limit  
 $l_c \rightarrow 0$

Typical for Rindler space

[Solodukhin, Living Rev. Rel. (2011), arXiv:1104.3712]

# Entropy

[Page, PRD 25, 1499 (1982)]

[Dowker, Class. Quant. Grav. (1994), arXiv:hep-th/9401159]

The energy-momentum tensor of accelerated scalar fields is well known

$$\langle \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{scalar}} \rangle = \left( \frac{\pi^2 T^4}{30} - \frac{|a|^4}{480\pi^2} \right) \left( u_\mu u_\nu - \frac{\Delta_{\mu\nu}}{3} \right) \quad \text{For the case } \xi = 1/6$$

$$\Delta_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - u_\mu u_\nu$$

Corresponding pressure:

$$p^{\text{scalar}}(T, a) = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\pi^2 T^4}{30} - \frac{|a|^4}{480\pi^2} \right)$$

**Local entropy**

$$s_{\text{loc}} = \left. \frac{\partial p}{\partial T} \right|_a \quad \longrightarrow \quad s_{\text{loc}}^{\text{scalar}}(T) = \frac{2\pi^2 T^3}{45} \quad \begin{matrix} T = a/2\pi \\ \longrightarrow \\ a = 1/\rho \end{matrix} \quad s_{\text{loc}}^{\text{scalar}}(\rho) = \frac{1}{180\pi\rho^3}$$

**Entropy per unit area of the horizon:**

$$s^{\text{scalar}} = \frac{1}{360\pi l_c^2}$$

# Correlator with two EMTs

[Birrell, Davies, Quantum Fields in Curved Space, Cambridge University Press, 1982]

Let's consider electromagnetic fields in  $R_\xi$  gauge:

$$T_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{M}} + T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{G}} + T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{ghost}} \quad \text{EMT contains three contributions}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{M}} = -F_{\mu\alpha}F_{\nu}^{\alpha} + \frac{1}{4}\eta_{\mu\nu}F^2 \quad \text{Maxwell's contribution}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{G}} = \frac{1}{\xi} \left\{ A_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}(\partial A) + A_{\nu}\partial_{\mu}(\partial A) - \eta_{\mu\nu} \left[ A^{\lambda}\partial_{\lambda}(\partial A) + \frac{1}{2}(\partial A)^2 \right] \right\} \quad \text{Contribution from the gauge-fixing term}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{ghost}} = \partial_{\mu}\bar{c}\partial_{\nu}c + \partial_{\nu}\bar{c}\partial_{\mu}c - \eta_{\mu\nu}\partial_{\rho}\bar{c}\partial^{\rho}c \quad \text{Faddeev-Popov ghosts}$$

Propagators (Wightman function) in coordinate representation:

$$\langle 0|A_{\mu}(x)A_{\nu}(0)|0\rangle_M = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \left( \frac{(1+\xi)\eta_{\mu\nu}}{x^2 - i\varepsilon x_0} + \frac{2(1-\xi)x_{\mu}x_{\nu}}{(x^2 - i\varepsilon x_0)^2} \right)$$

$$\langle 0|c(x)\bar{c}(0)|0\rangle_M = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \frac{1}{x^2 - i\varepsilon x_0}$$

# Correlator with two EMTs

The logic of calculations is similar to the case with the Dirac field.

- The contributions of the ghosts and gauge-fixing terms cancel each other:

$$\langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{ghost}}(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{ghost}}(y) | 0 \rangle_M = - \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{G}}(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{G}}(y) | 0 \rangle_M$$

The entire contribution is determined by the Maxwell term: the universal function

$$\langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}(y) | 0 \rangle_M = \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{M}}(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{M}}(y) | 0 \rangle_M = \frac{16}{\pi^4} \mathcal{I}_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(x - y)$$

Since the correlator differs only by the factor, the subsequent calculations are similar to the case of scalar and Dirac fields.

Since  $\langle \hat{T} \hat{T} \rangle \Big|_{\text{photon}} = \frac{1}{2} \langle \hat{T} \hat{T} \rangle \Big|_{\text{Dirac}}$

then  $\eta^{\text{photon}} = \frac{1}{2} \eta^{\text{Dirac}}$

**We finally obtain:**

$$\eta^{\text{photon}} = \frac{1}{120\pi^2 l_c^2}$$

Does not depend on the gauge-parameter  $\xi$

The result is **gauge invariant**.

# Entropy

Entropy can be found similarly to the case of spins 0 and 1/2

The energy-momentum tensor is known: [\[Page, PRD 25, 1499 \(1982\)\]](#)

$$\langle \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{photon}} \rangle = \left( \frac{\pi^2 T^4}{15} + \frac{T^2 |a|^2}{6} - \frac{11 |a|^4}{240 \pi^2} \right) \left( u_\mu u_\nu - \frac{\Delta_{\mu\nu}}{3} \right)$$

$$s_{\text{loc}} = \left. \frac{\partial p}{\partial T} \right|_a$$

Also, the quadratic acceleration term contributes to the entropy

Local entropy (for Minkowski vacuum):

$$s_{\text{loc}}^{\text{photon}}(T = T_U, |a| = 1/\rho) = \frac{1}{15\pi\rho^3}$$

**Entropy per unit area of the horizon:**

$$s_{\text{photon}} = \frac{1}{30\pi l_c^2}$$



# Fourier transform in Rindler space

Let us perform **integration in the Rindler horizon plane**:

let's move on to polar coordinates

$$x = r \cos \phi, \quad y = r \sin \phi$$

Integration can be done explicitly (poles are shifted from the real axis).

We obtain:

$$\int_0^\infty r dr \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{xy} \hat{T}_{xy} | 0 \rangle_M = \frac{1}{5\pi^3 \alpha^3}$$

where  $\alpha = -t^2 + (z - z')^2 + i\epsilon t$

# Problem: higher dimensions, $d=6,8\dots$

- Let's try to generalize to conformal field theory in an arbitrary number of dimensions:

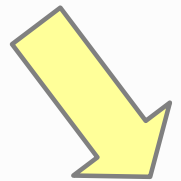
## Shear viscosity:

$$\langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}(y) | 0 \rangle_M = \frac{C_T \mathcal{J}_{\mu\nu,\alpha\beta}^{(d)}(x-y)}{[(x-y)^2 - i\varepsilon(x-y)_0]^d}$$

$$\mathcal{J}_{\mu\nu,\alpha\beta}^{(d)} = \frac{1}{2}(I_{\mu\alpha}I_{\nu\beta} + I_{\mu\beta}I_{\nu\alpha}) - \frac{1}{d}\eta_{\mu\nu}\eta_{\alpha\beta}$$

[J. Erdmenger and H. Osborn, Nucl. Phys. B 483, 431-474 (1997)]

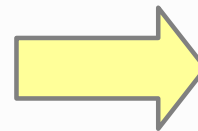
$$\eta = C_T \frac{g_\eta(d)}{l_c^{d-2}}$$



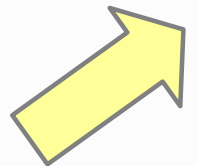
$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{g_\eta(d)}{g_s(d)}$$

## Entropy density:

$$-\lim_{\nu \rightarrow 1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \langle \hat{T}_{ij} \rangle = \frac{C_T \pi^{d/2} \Gamma(\frac{d}{2}) \delta_{ij}}{\Gamma(d+2) \rho^d}$$



$$s = C_T \frac{g_s(d)}{l_c^{d-2}}$$



[M. Smolkin and S. N. Solodukhin, Phys. Rev. D 91, no.4, 044008 (2015)]

# Bound for bulk viscosity

- Let us also find the correction to the speed of sound:

$$c_s^2 = \frac{\partial p}{\partial \varepsilon}$$

- The energy and pressure of an accelerated fermion gas in the first nonzero order in mass: [\[G. Y. Prokhorov, O. V. Teryaev and V. I. Zakharov, JHEP 03, 137 \(2020\)\]](#)

$$\varepsilon = \frac{7\pi^2 T^4}{60} + \frac{T^2 |a|^2}{24} - \frac{17|a|^4}{960\pi^2} + m^2 \left( -\frac{T^2}{12} + \frac{|a|^2}{48\pi^2} \right)$$

$$p = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{7\pi^2 T^4}{60} + \frac{T^2 |a|^2}{24} - \frac{17|a|^4}{960\pi^2} \right) + m^2 \left( -\frac{T^2}{12} + \frac{|a|^2}{48\pi^2} \right)$$

- In the Minkowski vacuum limit the mass correction to the speed of sound:**

$$T \rightarrow T_U$$

$$c_s^2 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{5m^2}{9|a|^2}$$

# Bound for bulk viscosity

- By investigating the dispersion relation for sound waves using a holographic approach, a limit on the **bulk viscosity** is supposed:

[A. Buchel, Phys. Lett. B 663, 286 (2008)]

$$\frac{\zeta}{\eta} \geq 2 \left( \frac{1}{p} - c_s^2 \right)$$

- We will consider only the local viscosity in the limit of zero membrane thickness and massive Dirac fields:

$$l_c \rightarrow 0 \quad S = 1/2$$

- We use the next **Kubo formula** for **bulk viscosity**:

$$\zeta_{\text{loc}} = \frac{\pi}{9} \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \int_0^\infty \rho \rho' d\rho' \int_{-\infty}^\infty dx dy d\tau e^{i\omega\tau} \langle 0 | \hat{T}_\mu^\mu(\tau, x, y, \rho) \hat{T}_\nu^\nu(0, 0, 0, \rho') | 0 \rangle_M$$

- The result is** (in the order  $m^2$ ):

$$\zeta_{\text{loc}} = \frac{m^2 |a|}{36\pi^2}$$

# Anomalous transport phenomena

New **(non-dissipative)** effects are predicted at the intersection of quantum field theory and gravity (*only some of them*):

- Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME):

[K. Fukushima, D. E. Kharzeev, H. J. Warringa, PRD 78, 074033 (2008), 0808.3382]

$$\langle \hat{j}^\mu \rangle = C e^2 \mu_A B^\mu$$

Associated with **axial anomaly** in the electromagnetic field

$$\langle \partial_\mu \hat{j}_A^\mu \rangle = -\frac{C e^2}{8} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\alpha\beta}$$

- Axial Vortical Effect (AVE):

[D. T. Son, P. Surowka, PRL 103, 191601 (2009), 0906.5044]

$$\langle \hat{j}_A^\mu \rangle = C(\mu^2 + \mu_A^2) \omega^\mu$$

- Thermal part of AVE:

[K. Landsteiner, E. Megias, F. Pena-Benitez, PRL 107, 021601 (2011), 1103.5006]

$$\langle \hat{j}_A^\mu \rangle \sim \mathcal{N} T^2 \omega^\mu$$

Associated with an **axial anomaly** in the **gravitational field**

$$\langle \nabla_\mu \hat{j}_A^\mu \rangle = \mathcal{N} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} R_{\alpha\beta}{}^{\rho\sigma}$$

- Kinematic Vortical Effect (KVE)

[G. Y. Prokhorov, O. V. Teryaev, V. I. Zakharov, PRL 129, 151601 (2022), 2207.04449]

$$\langle \hat{j}_\mu^A \rangle = (\lambda_1 \omega^2 + \lambda_2 a^2) \omega_\mu$$

Connection with **anomaly**:

$$\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 = 32 \mathcal{N}$$

# KVE, acceleration

- The relationship of KVE to anomaly can be obtained directly from the **conservative** equations.

[D.T. Son, P. Surowka, PRL, 103 (2009) 191601]

[Shi-Zheng Yang, Jian-Hua Gao, Zuo-Tang Liang, Symmetry 14 (2022) 5, 948]

[M. Buzzegoli, Lect. Notes Phys. 987, 53-93 (2021)]

*The derivation is similar to:*

- Relation  $\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 = 32\mathcal{N}$  verified by comparing KVE with anomaly:

*For spin 1/2:*

[GP, Teryaev, Zakharov, JHEP, 02:146, 2019],

[V. E. Ambrus, JHEP, 08:016, 2020],

[A. Palermo, et al. JHEP 10 (2021) 077]

$$\left. \begin{aligned} j_\mu^A &= \left( \frac{T^2}{6} + \frac{\mu^2}{2\pi^2} - \frac{\omega^2}{24\pi^2} - \frac{a^2}{8\pi^2} \right) \omega_\mu \\ \nabla_\mu j_A^\mu &= \frac{1}{384\pi^2 \sqrt{-g}} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} R_{\alpha\beta}{}^{\lambda\rho} \end{aligned} \right\} \left( -\frac{1}{24\pi^2} + \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \right) / 32 = \frac{1}{384\pi^2}$$

*For spin 3/2 in the RSA model:*

$$\left. \begin{aligned} j_\mu^{A(3)} &= \left( -\frac{53}{24\pi^2} \omega^2 - \frac{5}{8\pi^2} a^2 \right) \omega_\mu \\ \nabla_\mu j_A^\mu &= \frac{-19}{384\pi^2 \sqrt{-g}} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} R_{\alpha\beta}{}^{\lambda\rho} \end{aligned} \right\} \left( -\frac{53}{24\pi^2} + \frac{5}{8\pi^2} \right) / 32 = -\frac{19}{384\pi^2}$$

[G. Y. Prokhorov, O. V. Teryaev, V. I. Zakharov, Phys. Lett. B 840, 137839 (2023), 2211.03865]

- The effect depends on **acceleration** - less studied than vorticity.
- New effects related to acceleration?**

# Motivation: Unruh effect



[Blasone, (2018), e-Print: 1911.06002]

From the point of view of the quantum-statistical approach:

[Becattini, PRD (2018), arXiv:1712.08031]

Thus, the **mean values** of the thermodynamic quantities normalized to Minkowski vacuum should be **equal to zero** when the proper temperature, measured by comoving observer, equals to the **Unruh temperature**.

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

## Formulation

The Minkowski **vacuum** is perceived by an **accelerated** observer as a medium with a finite (Unruh) **temperature**

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

Example:

[Prokhorov, Teryaev, Zakharov, PRD (2019), arXiv:1903.09697]

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

- Well-known in Rindler space. But can be obtained by a statistical method without switching to Rindler coordinates
- Supports the “**objective**” interpretation of the effect of the Unruh (in contrast to the fact that it is just the effect of the detector).

# Minimal viscosity bound

Hydrodynamics in linear gradients - corrections to EMT with **dissipation**:

$$T_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{ideal}} + T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{diss}}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{ideal}} = (\varepsilon + p)u_\mu u_\nu - pg_{\mu\nu}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{diss}} = -\eta(\nabla_\mu u_\nu + \nabla_\nu u_\mu - u_\mu u^\alpha \nabla_\alpha u_\nu - u_\nu u^\alpha \nabla_\alpha u_\mu) - \left(\zeta - \frac{2}{3}\eta\right) \nabla^\alpha u_\alpha (g_{\mu\nu} - u_\mu u_\nu) + \mathcal{O}(\nabla^2 u)$$

Bound inspired by string theory:

- **There are no completely ideal fluids!**
- It is believed that QGP near this limit
- **does not cover case of Rindler space!**

$$\boxed{\frac{\eta}{s} \geq \frac{1}{4\pi}}$$

KSS-bound



[Kovtun, Son, Starinets, PRL (2005), arXiv:hep-th/0405231]

- **Some “feeling”**: according to the holographic principle, the viscosity is associated with the scattering of gravitons on black brane, and entropy with the horizon area – their ratio will be finite.
- Plenty of work about KSS Bound
- The simplest illustration: the uncertainty principle for energy

$$\begin{array}{l} \eta \sim \varepsilon \tau_{\text{free}} \\ s \sim n \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\eta}{s} \sim \frac{\varepsilon}{n} \tau_{\text{free}} = E \tau_{\text{free}} \gtrsim \hbar$$

[Dobado, Llanes-Estrada, Rincon, AIP Conf.Proc. (2008), e-Print: 0804.2601]



# Rindler coordinates and stretched horizon

**Rindler's metric** describes the accelerated reference system:

$$ds^2 = \rho^2 d\tau^2 - dx^2 - dy^2 - d\rho^2$$

- The relationship between Rindler coordinates and Minkowski coordinates:
$$\begin{aligned} t &= \rho \sinh \tau \\ z &= \rho \cosh \tau \end{aligned}$$

Horizon :  $g_{00}(\rho = 0) = 0$

$$a = \frac{1}{\rho} \quad \text{Acceleration - the inverse distance to the horizon.}$$

$$a_\mu = u^\nu \nabla_\nu u_\mu$$

- As was said, the fields are stuck at a **certain distance** from the horizon:

$$\rho \in [l_c, \infty)$$

# Kubo formula: Rindler space

Due to the fluctuation-dissipation theorem, dissipation coefficients can be found from fluctuations in equilibrium:

## Kubo's formula for viscosity

[Zubarev, Nonequilibrium statistical thermodynamics, Studies in soviet science, 1974]

$$\eta = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\omega} \int d^4x e^{i\omega t} \theta(t) \langle [\hat{T}_{xy}(x), \hat{T}_{xy}(0)] \rangle$$

- Can be obtained from the interaction vertex with gravitons  $\delta g_{\mu\nu} \hat{T}^{\mu\nu}$
- Contains a double limit  $\omega, \vec{q} \rightarrow 0$   
First  $\vec{q} \rightarrow 0$  . Reflects the dissipative nature.

## In the Rindler space:

[Chirco, Eling, Liberati, PRD (2010), arXiv:1005.0475]

$$\eta = \pi \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \int_{l_c}^{\infty} \rho' d\rho' \int_{l_c}^{\infty} \rho d\rho \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx dy d\tau e^{i\omega\tau} \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{xy}(\tau, x, y, \rho) \hat{T}_{xy}(0, 0, 0, \rho') | 0 \rangle_M$$

- In the limit  $\omega \rightarrow 0$  , one can pass from the retarded Green's function to the Wightman function.
- We consider free fields:

$$\eta = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \int \text{diagram}$$

per unit horizon area

$$\eta = \int_{l_c}^{\infty} d\rho' \eta_{\text{loc}}(\rho')$$

# Entropy derivation

Thermodynamic relations are modified in a medium with spin:

$$dp = sdT + nd\mu + \frac{1}{2}S^{\mu\nu}d\omega_{\mu\nu}$$

[Becattini, Daher, Sheng, PLB (2024), arXiv:2309.05789]

[Obukhov, Piskareva, Class. Quantum Grav.(1989)]

In a state of global equilibrium, it contains the vorticity tensor.  
For an accelerated medium:

$$\omega_{\mu\nu} = a_\mu u_\nu - a_\nu u_\mu$$

$$s_{\text{loc}} = \left. \frac{\partial p}{\partial T} \right|_a$$



- Unlike viscosity case, it is necessary to move away from the Minkowski vacuum

$$T = T_U + dT$$

$$p = -\frac{1}{3}\langle \hat{T}_{\mu\nu} \rangle \Delta^{\mu\nu}$$

Minkowsky vacuum:  $s_{\text{loc}}(T = T_U, |a|) \Big|_{|a| \rightarrow 1/\rho} = s_{\text{loc}}(\rho)$

Entropy per unit area of the horizon:

$$s = \int_{l_c}^{\infty} d\rho s_{\text{loc}}(\rho)$$

# Fourier transform in Rindler space

Finding residues at the poles and passing to the limit of zero frequency, we obtain:

$$\lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} I = \frac{3\rho'^4 - 3\rho^4 + 2[\rho^4 + 4\rho^2\rho'^2 + \rho'^4] \ln \frac{\rho}{\rho'}}{5\pi^2(\rho^2 - \rho'^2)^5}$$

Taking the last integral over the distance to the horizon in the Fourier transform, we obtain the **local viscosity**:

$$\eta_{\text{loc}}^{\text{Dirac}}(\rho) = \frac{\rho \left[ \rho^4 + 4\rho^2 l_c^2 - 5l_c^4 - 4l_c^2(2\rho^2 + l_c^2) \ln \frac{\rho}{l_c} \right]}{40(\rho^2 - l_c^2)^4 \pi^2}$$

By directly integrating over the distance to the horizon, we obtain the **viscosity per unit area of the horizon**:

$$\eta^{\text{Dirac}} = \frac{1}{240\pi^2 l_c^2}$$

# Generalization: universality for conformal field theories

- For conformal field theory, the correlator of two EMTs has a universal form up to a common coefficient:  
[J. Erdmenger and H. Osborn, Nucl. Phys. B 483, 431-474 (1997)]

$$\langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}(y) | 0 \rangle_M = \frac{C_T \mathcal{J}_{\mu\nu,\alpha\beta}(x-y)}{[(x-y)^2 - i\varepsilon(x-y)_0]^4}$$

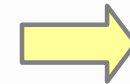
$$\mathcal{J}_{\mu\nu,\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2}(I_{\mu\alpha}I_{\nu\beta} + I_{\mu\beta}I_{\nu\alpha}) - \frac{1}{4}\eta_{\mu\nu}\eta_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$I_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} - 2 \frac{(x-y)_\mu(x-y)_\nu}{(x-y)^2 - i\varepsilon(x-y)_0}$$

Conformal central charge

- All calculations using Kubo formula are exactly the same for different fields - **universality of function describing local shear viscosity:**

$$\eta_{\text{loc}}(\rho) = \frac{C_T \pi^2}{80} \cdot \frac{\rho \left[ \rho^4 + 4\rho^2 l_c^2 - 5l_c^4 - 4l_c^2(2\rho^2 + l_c^2) \ln\left(\frac{\rho}{l_c}\right) \right]}{(\rho^2 - l_c^2)^4 \pi^2}$$



$$\eta = \frac{C_T \pi^2}{480 l_c^2}$$

# Species problem

- Bekenstein-Hawking:  $S_{\text{BH}} = \frac{A}{4G\hbar}$
- Entanglement entropy:  $S_{\text{entangl}} \sim A$

**BUT** depends on the number and type of fields

In particular, in accordance with that, we obtain:

$$s^{\text{scalar}} = \frac{1}{6}s^{\text{Dirac}} = \frac{1}{12}s^{\text{photon}} = \frac{1}{360\pi l_c^2}$$

But the same for “**entanglement**” viscosity:

$$\eta^{\text{scalar}} = \frac{1}{6}\eta^{\text{Dirac}} = \frac{1}{12}\eta^{\text{photon}} = \frac{1}{1440\pi^2 l_c^2}$$

Their relation will be universal:

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

**The “species problem” exists at the level of entropy and viscosity separately, but disappears for their ratio.**

# Correlator with two EMTs

Expand the two-point correlator, selecting various contributions to the EMT operator

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}(y) | 0 \rangle_M &= \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^M(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}^M(y) | 0 \rangle_M + \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^M(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}^G(y) | 0 \rangle_M + \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^G(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}^M(y) | 0 \rangle_M \\ &+ \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^G(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}^G(y) | 0 \rangle_M + \langle 0 | \hat{T}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{ghost}}(x) \hat{T}_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{ghost}}(y) | 0 \rangle_M, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta &= \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \int \text{diagram 1} + \\ &+ \text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} + \\ &\quad \underbrace{\text{diagram 4} + \text{diagram 5}}_{=0} \end{aligned}$$

The diagrams represent Feynman diagrams for the two-point correlator of the Energy-Momentum Tensor (EMT) operator. Diagram 1 is a self-energy loop with two external wavy lines labeled  $T_{xy}^M$ . Diagram 2 is a self-energy loop with two external wavy lines labeled  $T_{xy}^G$ . Diagram 3 is a self-energy loop with two external wavy lines labeled  $T_{xy}^M$ . Diagram 4 is a self-energy loop with two external wavy lines labeled  $T_{xy}^G$ . Diagram 5 is a self-energy loop with two external wavy lines labeled  $T_{xy}^{\text{ghost}}$ . The diagrams are summed, and the last two are grouped under a brace with a double line and a zero below them, indicating they cancel out.

# Discussion

## Objective interpretation of the Unruh effect

- Thus, the view of the Unruh effect as an **objective effect** associated with the emergence of the media is strengthened:

-- In an accelerated frame, the Minkowski vacuum behaves like a fluid

**Temperature** of “vacuum fluid”  $T = T_U$

**Viscosity** of the “vacuum fluid”  $\eta/s = 1/4\pi$

## Comparison with string theory

[Buchel, Liu and Starinets, Nucl.Phys.B (2005) arXiv:hep-th/0406264]

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ 1 + \frac{135\zeta(3)}{8(2g^2N_c)^{3/2}} + \dots \right]$$

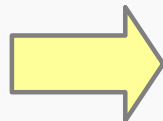
From string theory: KSS-bound is saturated for strong coupling (big 't Hooft coupling)

- In our case, the **opposite situation** – KSS-bound is saturated for **free fields**.

Free fields - what is the source of viscosity?

Naively:  $\eta \sim l_{\text{free}}$

$l_{\text{free}} \rightarrow \infty$



$\eta \rightarrow \infty$



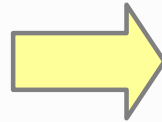
# Entropy derivation

- Various approaches to find entropy in the space with horizon

[Solodukhin, Living Rev. Rel. (2011), arXiv:1104.3712]

Thermodynamic relations are modified in a medium with spin

$$p(a, T) = -\frac{1}{3} \langle \hat{T}_{\mu\nu} \rangle \Delta^{\mu\nu}$$



$$s_{\text{loc}} = \left. \frac{\partial p}{\partial T} \right|_a$$



Entropy per unit area of the horizon:

$$s = \int_{l_c}^{\infty} d\rho s_{\text{loc}}(\rho)$$