

Ideal relativistic spin fluid model

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Dynamics of spin and fundamental physics

- Study of spin dynamics for matter with dipole moments (anomalous magnetic and electric one) is important for search of new physics beyond Standard Model
[Vergeles-Nikolaev-YNO-Silenko-Teryaev, *Phys. Usp.* **66** (2023) 109; Budker, Cong, et al, *Rev. Mod. Phys.* **97** (2025) 025005]
- Tests of foundations (Lorentz symmetry, equivalence principle, spacetime structure beyond Riemann geometry)
- Colella-Overhauser-Werner (1975) and Bonse-Wroblewski experiments - equivalence principle for quantum systems; Extend to spin [Silenko, Teryaev, *PRD* **71** (2005) 064016]
- Modern applications: heavy ion collisions physics, spin polarization and spin transport phenomena
- Action principle (Lagrange-Noether machinery) fundamental
⇒ Develop variational approach for relativistic spin fluid

From points to microstructured elements

- Physical objects: points, system of points, continuous media, fluids, rigid extended bodies
- In classical continuum theory material elements are structureless points characterized by positions only;
- their internal properties are disregarded.
- Generalization to media with microstructure: material body (fluid, etc) formed of particles whose internal properties contribute to macroscopic dynamics
- Early model of *Cosserat* brothers (1909): structureless material point replaced by point that carries a triad of axes (an oriented *frame*, in the modern geometrical language)
- \implies variety of models known as oriented or multipolar medium theory, asymmetric elasticity, micropolar elasticity
- Applications: ferromagnetic materials, cracked & granular media, liquid crystals, superfluids, heavy-ion collisions ▶

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- *Micromorphic continuum*: 3-frame attached to elements is deformable; hence 9 new degrees of freedom introduced in addition to classical ones (3 rotations, 1 volume expansion, 5 shear deformations)
- *Microstretch continuum*: 3-frame can rotate and change volume (4 degrees of freedom: 3 microrotations and 1 microvolume expansion)
- *Micropolar continuum*: structured material point is rigid, possessing 3 microrotation degrees of freedom
- Important example: media (point particles, extended bodies, fluids) with *spinning* matter elements
- *Microscopic origin*: can classical internal properties be derived from underlying fundamental quantum theory?
- Here: Discuss construction of relativistic variational theory of an ideal spin fluid

Example: Nematic liquid crystals

- Liquid crystal = fluid with elements characterized by average 4-velocity u^i , and *director* N^i (microstructure)
- These vectors satisfy normalization conditions

$$u^i u_i = 1, \quad N^i N_i = -1, \quad N_i U^i = 0$$

- Dynamics of director: $\omega^i := \epsilon^{ijk} N_j \dot{N}_k$, $\epsilon_{ijk} := \eta_{ijkl} \frac{U^l}{c}$
- Relativistic Lagrangian model

$$L = -\rho(\nu, s) - \frac{1}{2} J \nu \omega^i \omega_i - \frac{1}{2} K_1 (\nabla_i N^i)^2 - \frac{1}{2} K_2 (\epsilon^{ijk} N_i \nabla_j N_k)^2 + \frac{1}{2} K_3 (\epsilon_{ijk} N^j \epsilon^{klm} \nabla_l N_m)^2$$

- ρ - internal energy density, ν - particle number density, J - element's moment of inertia, K_i - Frank's elastic moduli
- YNO, T. Ramos, G. Rubilar, *Phys. Rev.* **E86** (2012) 031703

Matter with spin: micropolar media

- History: spinning particle model Frenkel (1926) Thomas (1927) Phenomenological fluid Weyssenhoff-Raabe (1947)
- Weyssenhoff fluid's elements are characterized by u^i , energy-momentum \mathcal{P}_i and *spin* density tensor $\mathcal{S}_{ij} = -\mathcal{S}_{ji}$
- Dust (noninteracting gas) has canonical currents

$$T_i^k = u^k \mathcal{P}_i, \quad S_{ij}^k = u^k \mathcal{S}_{ij} \quad (\text{recall } J^k = u^k \rho_e)$$

- Conservation of energy-mom. and angular momentum

$$\nabla_k T_i^k = 0, \quad u_i \mathcal{P}_j - u_j \mathcal{P}_i = 2 \nabla_k S_{ij}^k$$

- Inclusion of interactions of particles introduces pressure

$$T_i^k = u^k \mathcal{P}_i - p \left(\delta_i^k - u^k u_i / c^2 \right)$$

- 4-momentum recovered explicitly ($u^i u_i = c^2$; $\rho := u^i \mathcal{P}_i$)

$$\mathcal{P}_i = \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\rho u_i - 2 u^j \nabla_k S_{ij}^k \right)$$

Ideal fluid: variational approach

Ideal fluid of structureless elements (no internal degrees of freedom) is continuous medium characterized by 4-velocity u^i , internal energy density $\rho = \rho(\nu, s)$, particle density ν , entropy s , and identity (Lin) coordinate X . Assume

$$\nabla_i(\nu u^i) = 0, \quad u^i \nabla_i s = 0, \quad u^i \nabla_i X = 0$$

– number of particles, entropy and identity are conserved.

Fluid dynamics governed by action $I = \frac{1}{c} \int \sqrt{-g} d^4x (-\rho)$.

Write internal energy $\rho = \rho_m c^2 + \mathcal{F}_0$ as a sum of “rest-mass” density and hydrodynamic energy density. In comoving frame $\sqrt{-g} d^4x = c dV_0 d\tau$ with 3-volume dV_0 and proper time τ ; rest mass of fluid’s element $dm_0 = \rho_m dV_0$ same in all frames and invariant volume $dV_0 d\tau = dV dt$. In the nonrelativistic limit $dV_0 d\tau = dV dt$ with $d\tau = \sqrt{1 - \mathbf{v}^2/c^2} dt \approx (1 - \mathbf{v}^2/2c^2) dt \implies$

recover action $\frac{1}{c} \int \sqrt{-g} d^4x (-\rho) \approx \int dt dV (\rho_m \mathbf{v}^2/2 - \mathcal{F}_0)$

Fluid with microstructure: Cosserat approach

Along with u^i fluid elements carry triad b_A^i , $A = 1, 2, 3$. Together

$$h_\alpha^i = \{u^i, b_1^i, b_2^i, b_3^i\}$$

– *material frame* of fluid's elements. It's evolution encoded in

$$\Omega^\alpha{}_\beta := h_i^\alpha u^k \nabla_k h_\beta^i$$

generalized acceleration tensor $[\Omega^\alpha{}_\beta] = 1/\text{s}$. Here $h_i^\alpha h_\beta^i = \delta_\beta^\alpha$.
 Standard orthogonality and normalization assumed:

$$g_{ij} u^i u^j = c^2, \quad g_{ij} u^i b_A^j = 0$$

Explicitly components of inverse material frame

$$h_i^{\hat{0}} = \frac{1}{c^2} u_i, \quad h_i^A = \{h_i^{\hat{1}}, h_i^{\hat{2}}, h_i^{\hat{3}}\},$$

where $h_i^A := g_{ij} g^{AB} b_B^j$. Obviously $u^i h_i^A = 0$ (or $u^i h_i^\alpha = \delta_0^\alpha$), thus

$$h_A^i h_i^B = \delta_A^B, \quad h_A^i h_j^A = \delta_j^i - \frac{1}{c^2} u^i u_j$$

Ideal fluid \implies spin fluid

Now, *specific spin density* μ^α_β characterizes fluid's elements. Internal energy density $\rho(\nu, s, \mu^\alpha_\beta)$, and Gibbs law generalized

$$Tds = d\left(\frac{\rho}{\nu}\right) + p d\left(\frac{1}{\nu}\right) - \frac{1}{2}\omega^\alpha_\beta d\mu^\beta_\alpha,$$

where T – temperature, p – pressure, chemical potential ω^α_β conjugate to μ^α_β . Total Lagrangian of spin fluid

$$L^m = -\rho(\nu, s, \mu^\alpha_\beta) - \frac{1}{2}\nu\mu^\alpha_\beta\Omega^\beta_\alpha + L^c$$

Constraints imposed by means of Lagrange multipliers:

$$L^c = -\nu u^i \nabla_i \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 u^i \nabla_i X + \lambda_3 u^i \nabla_i s \\
+ \lambda_0 (g_{ij} u^i u^j - c^2) + \lambda^A g_{ij} u^i b^j_A + \lambda^{AB} (g_{ij} b^i_A b^j_B - g_{AB})$$

Physical variables: $\{u^i, b^i_A, \nu, s, X, \mu^\alpha_\beta, \lambda_0, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda^A, \lambda^{AB}\}$

Spin fluid dynamics: Euler-Lagrange equations

Variation of action wrt fluid variables yields equations of motion.

Define $\dot{\Phi} = \nabla_i(u^i \Phi)$. Introduce spin and momentum density

$$S^i_j = \frac{1}{2} \nu \mu^\alpha_\beta h^i_\alpha h^\beta_j, \quad \mathcal{P}_k = \frac{1}{c^2} \left(\rho u_k - 2u^j \dot{S}_{kj} \right)$$

Euler-Lagrange equations encompass

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{S}^{ij} - \frac{u^i u_k}{c^2} \dot{S}^{kj} - \frac{u^j u_k}{c^2} \dot{S}^{ik} &= 0, \\ \omega_{\alpha\beta} + \Omega_{\alpha\beta} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Canonical tensors of spin and energy-mom. ($p = \nu \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \nu} - \rho$):

$$S_{ij}{}^k = u^k S_{ij}, \quad T_i{}^k = u^k \mathcal{P}_i - p \left(\delta_i^k - \frac{u_i u^k}{c^2} \right)$$

Noether theorem for energy-mom. and angular momentum

$$\nabla_k T_i{}^k = 0, \quad \nabla_k S_{ij}{}^k + T_{[ij]} = 0$$

Hyperfluid: micromorphic medium

- Early work: YNO, Tresguerres, *Phys. Lett.* **A184** (1993) 17
- Element described by 4-velocity u^i and attached *triad* b_A^i , $A = 1, 2, 3$. Legs *not* orthonormal: $g_{AB} = g_{ij} b_A^i b_B^j$ nontrivial
- Together (u^i, b_A^i) comprise *deformable* material frame h_α^i
- Internal properties: *particle density* ν , *specific entropy* s , *Lin (identity) variable* X , *specific hypermomentum* μ^α_β
- Total hypermomentum $\mathcal{J}^i_j = \frac{1}{2} \nu \mu^\alpha_\beta h_j^\beta h_\alpha^i$ comprises spin density $\mathcal{S}_{ij} = \mathcal{J}_{[ij]}$, dilation density $\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{J}^i_i$, and tensor of proper hypermomentum density $\mathcal{J}_{ij} = \mathcal{J}_{(ij)} - g_{ij} \mathcal{J} / 4$.
- Improved hyperfluid model developed recently:
YNO, Hehl, *Phys. Rev. D* **108** (2023) 104044
- Application: metric-affine gravity; geometric description of macroscopic dynamics of hadron matter on the basis of infinite $SL(4, R)$ representations (Ne'eman-Sijacki, 1988)

Conclusions and Outlook

- Why models of matter with microstructure are of interest?
- Spin is a fundamental property, playing a central role in the physical phenomena in high-energy and condensed matter
- Variational model developed for ideal relativistic spin fluid in framework of Cosserat approach to continuous media
- Direct applications to ferromagnetics, liquid crystals, defects, cracked and granular materials, heavy-ion collision physics
- History: phenomenologic (Weyssenhoff, 1947); variational (Halbwachs, 1960); Ray-Smalley, 1982; Kopczynski, 1986; YNO-Korotky, 1987; YNO-Tresguerres, 1993
- New: Euler (field-theoretic) formalism instead of Lagrange; solved important issue of spin *supplementary condition* (SC) – free choice of SC, not fixed as Frenkel or Tulczyjew etc

Thanks !