

# A quasiparticle model from a novel Relaxation Time Approximation to the relativistic Boltzmann equation

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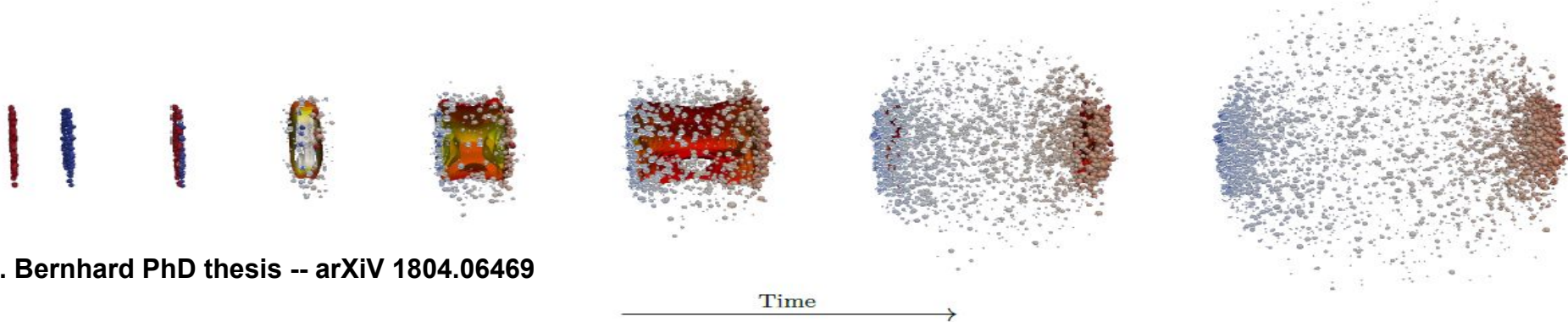
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# Introduction

- With ultra-relativistic Heavy Ion Collisions, nuclear matter in extreme conditions can be produced and studied;
- Particular interest has been deposited in the computation of transport coefficients.
- Convoluted problem, many approaches: pQCD, Arnold et al JHEP11 (2000) 001  
Arnold, et al PRD **74**, 085021 (2011)  
LQCD, Nakamura, Sakai PRL. **94**, 072305  
Meyer Phys. Rev. Lett. **100**, 162001 *quasi-particle models in Kinetic th.* Jeon (1995) PRD 52 3591-3642  
Romantschke PRD, **85**(6), 065012, 2012  
Blum et al PRC 84:025201, 2011  
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# Boltzmann equation w/ thermal mass

- The main equation from kinetic theory is the relativistic Boltzmann equation (Most common form)

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_p = C[f] = \int dQ dQ' dP' \tilde{\mathcal{W}}_{pp' \leftrightarrow qq'} (f_p f_{p'} - f_q f_{q'}),$$

Simulation made with  
JETSCAPE code

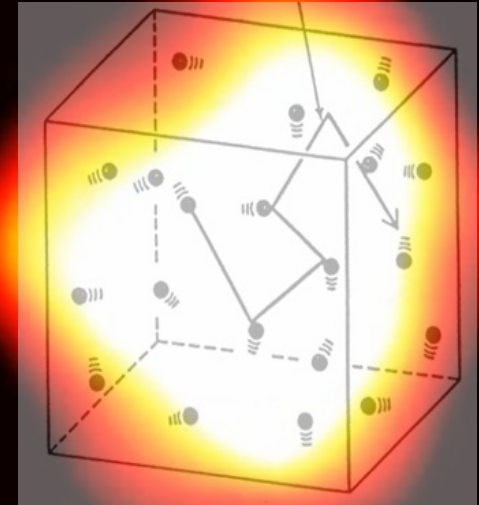
- One of the main features of (quasi-)particles in a medium is the acquisition of a  $T, \mu$ -dependent mass. Implementation: Vlasov-like term

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_{\mathbf{p}} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_i M^2(T) \partial_{(\mathbf{p})}^i f_{\mathbf{p}} = C[f_{\mathbf{p}}],$$

Jeon & Yaffe (1996) *PRD*, 53(10), 5799;

Jeon (1995) *PRD* 52 3591-3642

Calzetta, E., & Hu, B. L. (1988). *PRD* 37(10), 2878.85,



# Boltzmann equation w/ thermal mass

- Redefinition for the EM tensor -- recover consistency with conservation laws

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \int dP \, p^\mu p^\nu f_p \quad \rightarrow \quad T^{\mu\nu} = \int dP \, p^\mu p^\nu f_p + B(T)g^{\mu\nu}$$

Background field

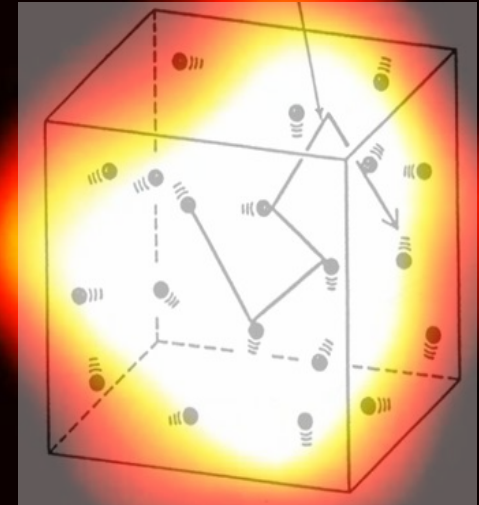
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$$P \neq nT \quad \text{Non-ideal gas!}$$

No redefinition required for current tensors  $N^\mu$ , when present

- Relation between thermal mass and background field

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial B(T)}{\partial T} = -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial M^2(T)}{\partial T} \right) \int dP \, f_{0p},$$



# Boltzmann equation w/ thermal mass

- Our interest is modelling a QCD plasma. Extraction of the th. mass from LQCD EoS ( $\mu_B \equiv 0$ ) Borsanyi et al, JHEP 11, 077 (2010), arXiv:1007.2580 [hep-lat];

- LQCD computes trace anomaly directly

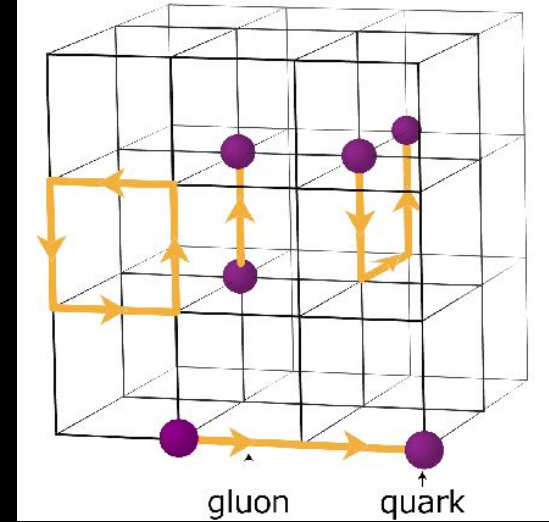
$$I \equiv \langle T^\mu_\mu \rangle_{\text{th}} = \varepsilon_0 - 3P_0$$

Thermodynamic identities =>

$$\frac{P_0(T)}{T^4} = \int_0^T \frac{dX}{X} \frac{I(X)}{X^4}$$

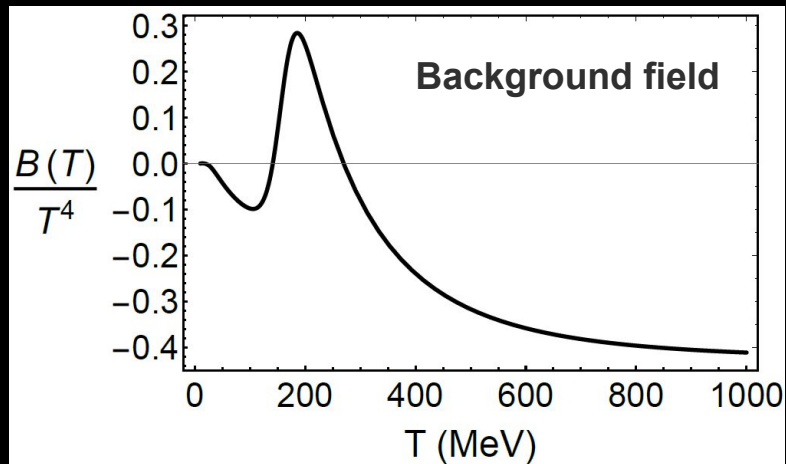
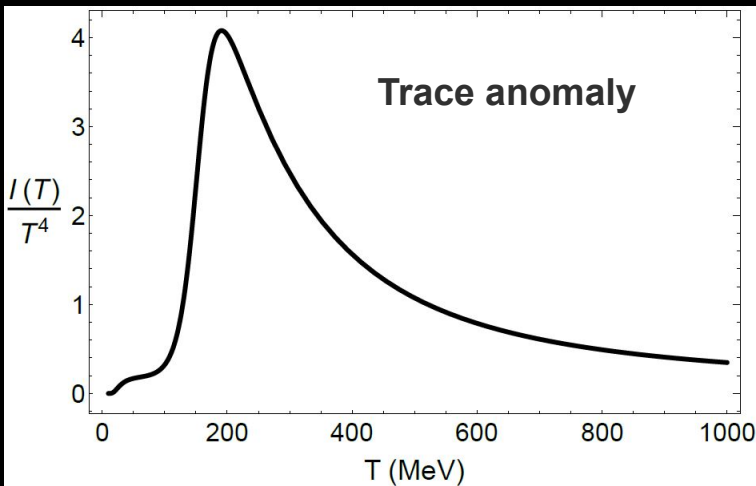
- Now the thermal mass can be computed

$$Ts_0 = \varepsilon_0 + P_0 \quad s_0 = \frac{ZM(T)^3}{2\pi^2} K_3 \left( \frac{M(T)}{T} \right)$$



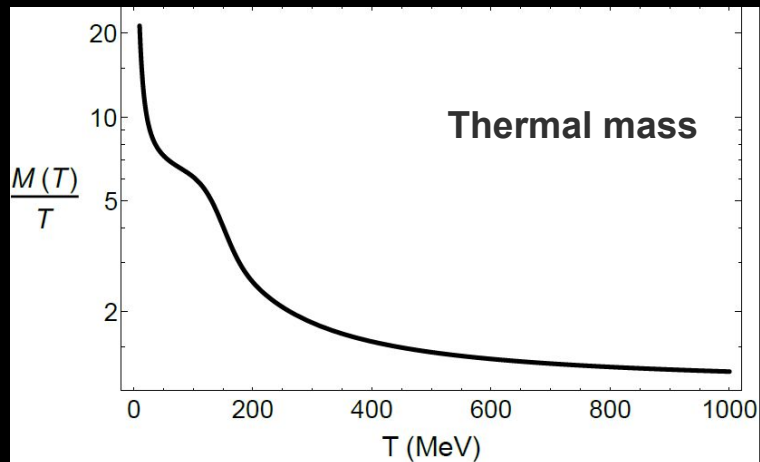
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# Thermal mass



- Global analytic parametrization ↑  
Borsanyi et al, JHEP 11, 077 (2010), arXiv:1007.2580 [hep-lat];

- Large deviation from a conformal theory near the crossover
- Large  $T \sim$  conformal



# The Relaxation Time Approximation

- The most non-trivial term in the EdB is the collision term

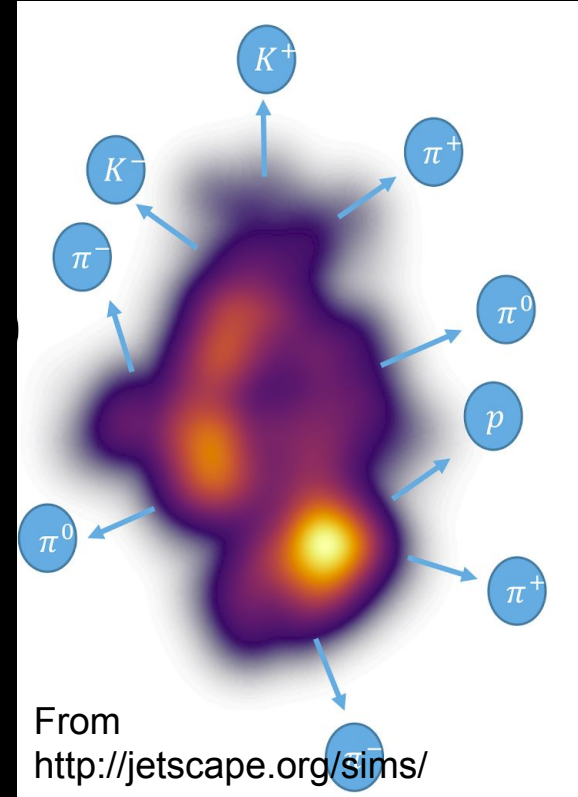
$$C[f] = \int dQ dQ' dP' \tilde{\mathcal{W}}_{pp' \leftrightarrow qq'} (f_p f_{p'} - f_q f_{q'}),$$

- Widely used simplification: Relaxation time approximation (RTA) J. L. Anderson and H. Witting, Physica 74, 466 (1974)

$$C[f] \approx -\frac{u_\mu p^\mu}{\tau_R} (f_p - f_{0p}) \quad f_{0p} = e^{-\beta_0 u_\mu^0 p^\mu + \alpha_0}$$

- Importance in HIC modelling: Conversion from fluid d.o.f's to particles (Cooper-Frye), hydrodynamization of QCD matter Kamata et al PRD 102, 056003, among others.

Romatschke, PRL 120, no.1, 012301 (2018)  
Denicol and Noronha, PRL no.15, 152301 (2020)  
Heller and Spalinski, PRL 115, no.7, 072501 (2015)



# Severe limitation of traditional RTA

- RTA is inconsistent with the macroscopic conservation laws;

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \int dP \, p^\mu p^\nu f_p + B(T) g^{\mu\nu} \quad \partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = - \int dP \frac{E_p}{\tau_R} p^\nu \delta f,$$

Traditionally, it is assumed that  $\tau_R = \text{cte}$  and one defines  $(T, u^\mu, \alpha)$  so that the right-hand side is zero  
(Landau matching conditions)

- This happens because an essential property of the collision term was lost:

$$C[Q_p] = 0.$$

$Q_p$  : Microscopically Conserved Quantity

In the present case:  $p^\mu$



# Our proposal

- To recover the lost properties, we propose schematically GSR, Denicol, Noronha  
PRL 127, 042301 (2021)

$$C[f] \propto -\mathbb{1} + \sum_n |\mathcal{Q}_{n,p}\rangle \langle \mathcal{Q}_{n,p}|,$$

*Traditional RTA* ←
→ *Projector in the subspace of conserved quantities in an orthogonal basis*

- Our approximation to the rBE in this quasi-particle model is

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f_{\mathbf{p}} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_i M^2(T) \partial_{(p)}^i f_p = -\frac{E_{\mathbf{p}}}{\tau_R} f_{0\mathbf{p}} \left[ \phi_{\mathbf{p}} - \frac{\langle \phi_{\mathbf{p}}, E_{\mathbf{p}} \rangle}{\langle E_{\mathbf{p}}, E_{\mathbf{p}} \rangle} - \frac{\langle \phi_{\mathbf{p}}, p^{\langle \mu \rangle} \rangle}{\frac{1}{3} \langle p^{\langle \nu \rangle}, p^{\langle \nu \rangle} \rangle} p^{\langle \mu \rangle} \right]$$

Notation:  $p^{\langle \mu \rangle} = \Delta^{\mu\nu} p_\nu$   $\Delta^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\nu} - u^\mu u^\nu$   $\langle \psi_p, \phi_p \rangle = \int dP \frac{E_p}{\tau_R} \psi_p \phi_p f_{0p}$

$$\tau_R = t_R \left( \frac{E_p}{T} \right)^\gamma$$

Another application -- MIS EoMs: GSR, Denicol PRD 104, 096016 (2021)

Relativistic generalization of the Bhatnagar-Gross-Krook model -- C. Cercignani *Mathematical methods in kinetic theory* (Springer, 1990)

# Non-equilibrium corrections

- We use Chapman-Enskog procedure to derive non-equilibrium corrections

S. Chapman, Phil. Trans. R. Soc. A 216, 279 (1916); 217, 115 (1917); D. Enskog, Dissertation, Uppsala (1917): Arkiv Mat., Ast. och. Fys. 16, 1 (1921).

$$\epsilon \left( p^\mu \partial_\mu f_{\mathbf{p}} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_i M^2(T) \partial_{(\mathbf{p})}^i f \right) = -\frac{E_{\mathbf{p}}}{\tau_R} f_{0\mathbf{p}} \left[ \phi_{\mathbf{p}} - \frac{\left\langle \phi_{\mathbf{p}} \frac{E_{\mathbf{p}}^2}{\tau_R} \right\rangle_0}{\left\langle \frac{E_{\mathbf{p}}^3}{\tau_R} \right\rangle_0} - \frac{\left\langle \phi_{\mathbf{p}} \frac{E_{\mathbf{p}}}{\tau_R} p^{\langle \mu} \right\rangle_0}{\frac{1}{3} \left\langle \frac{E_{\mathbf{p}}}{\tau_R} \right\rangle_0} p^{\langle \mu} \right].$$

$$f_p = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \epsilon^i f_p^{(i)}.$$

$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0) : f_p^{(0)} = f_{eq,p}$  Ideal hydro

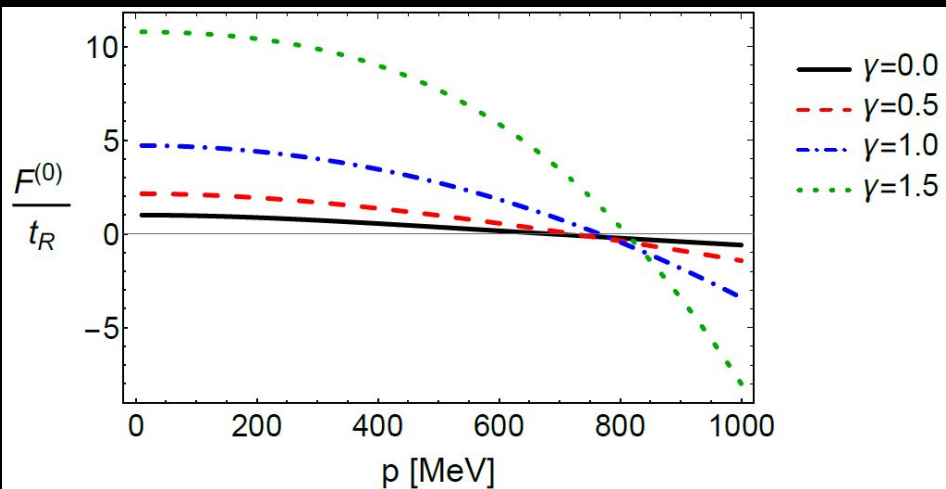
*We stop here*  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^1) : f_p^{(1)}$  Relativistic Navier Stokes

$$\phi_{\mathbf{p}}^{(1)} \equiv \frac{f_p^{(1)} - f_{0p}}{f_{0p}} = F_{\mathbf{p}}^{(0)} \theta + F_{\mathbf{p}}^{(2)} p^{\langle \mu} p^{\nu \rangle} \sigma_{\mu\nu},$$

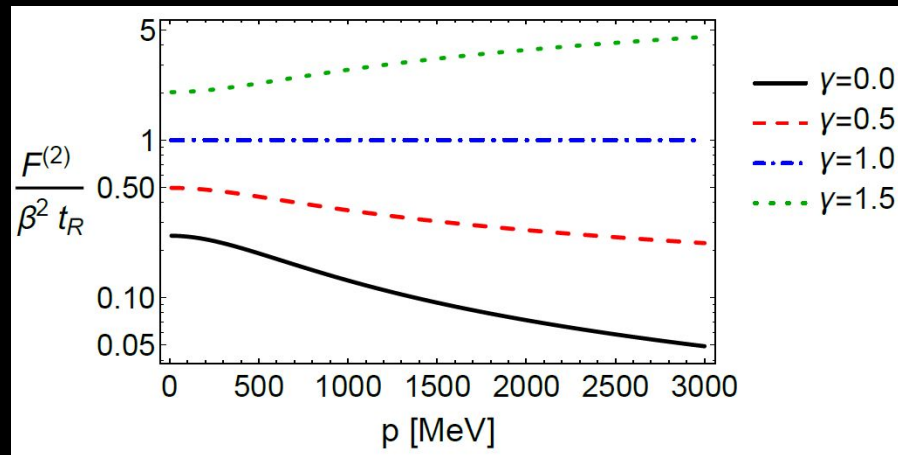
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Scalar component



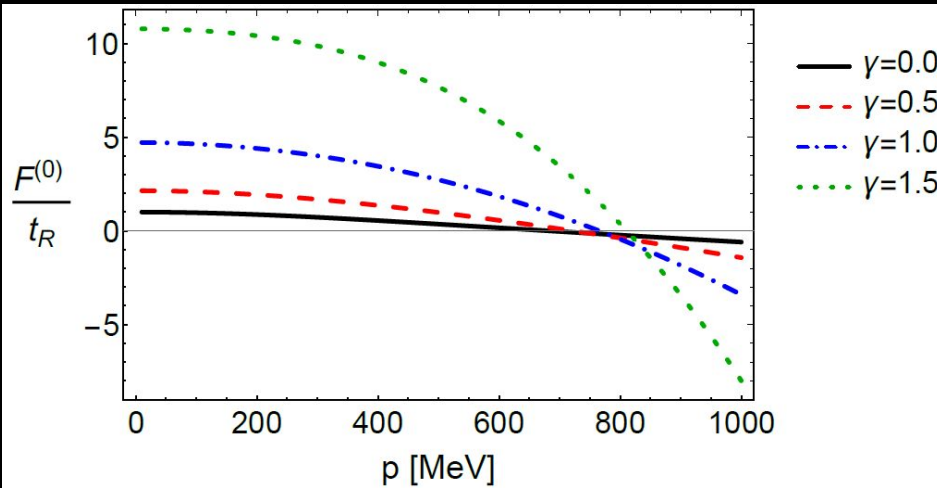
Tensor component

**T = 150 MeV**

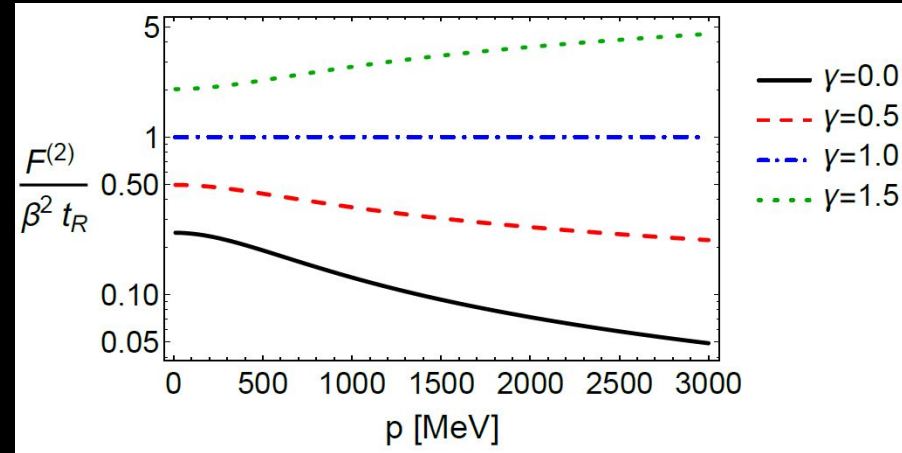
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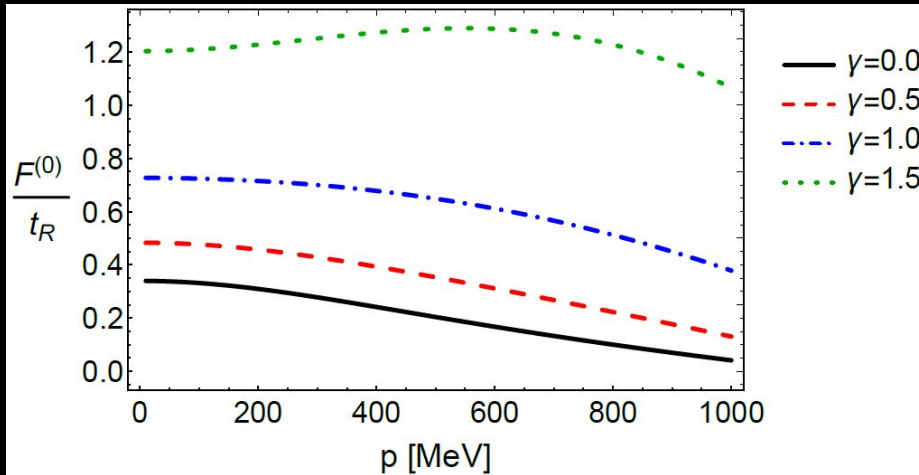
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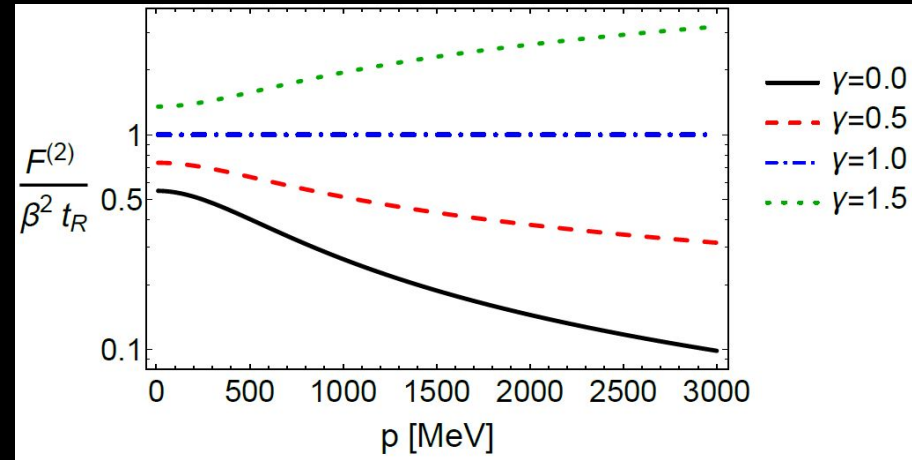
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Scalar component



Tensor component

$T = 300\text{MeV}$

# Transport coefficients

$$\tau_R = t_R \left( \frac{E_p}{T} \right)^\gamma,$$

- Irreducible decomposition of the EMT

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T_E^{\mu\nu} + \tilde{T}^{\mu\nu} = \varepsilon_0 u^\mu u^\nu - (P_0 + \Pi) \Delta^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu}$$

(Landau matching)

- We use the results for  $\phi_p^{(1)}$  to derive Navier-Stokes const. relations (Landau matching)

*C. Cercignani Mathematical methods in kinetic theory (Springer, 1990)*

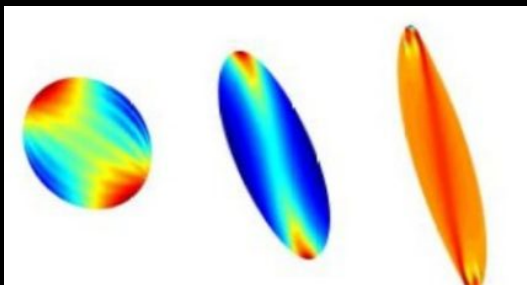
$$\Pi \equiv -\zeta \partial_\mu u^\mu$$

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**The diffusion coefficient is zero because we consider that  $\mu \equiv 0$**



Bulk viscosity



Shear viscosity

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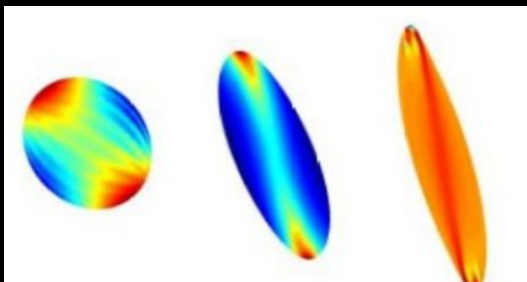
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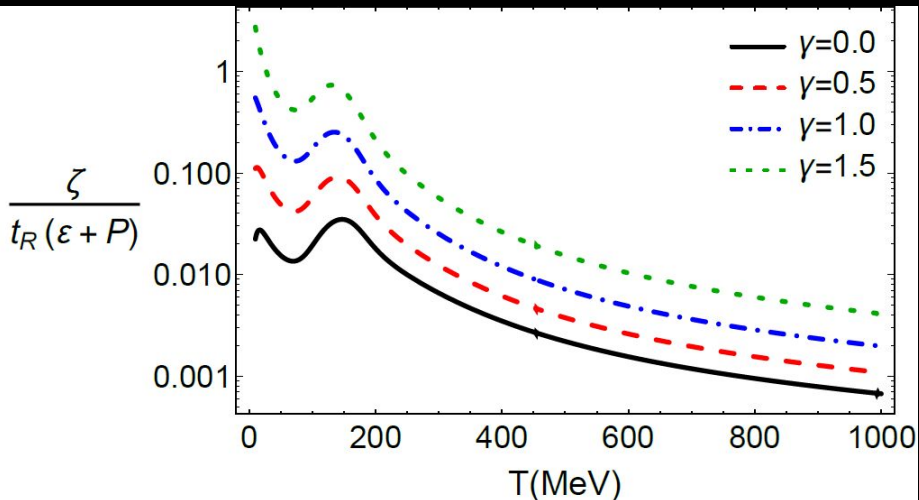
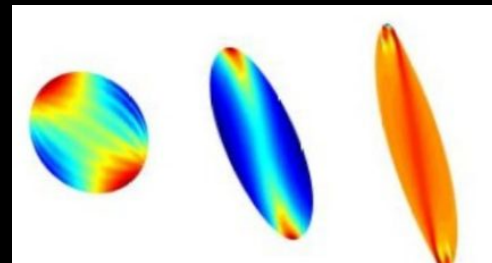
Shear viscosity

- Our contribution is to compute transport coefficients for energy-dependent relaxation times and alternative matching conditions** (Previous contributions: Bluhm et al PRC 84:025201, 2011; P. Romantschke PRD, 85(6), 065012, 2012; Alqahtani et al PRC 92, 054910 (2015); Chakraborty and Kapusta PRC 83, 014906, 2011 etc)

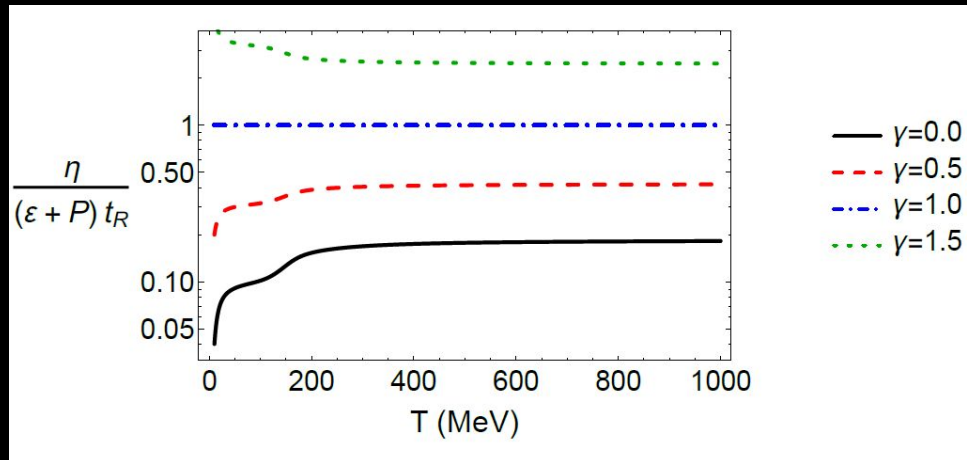


# Transport coefficients

$$\tau_R = t_R \left( \frac{E_p}{T} \right)^\gamma,$$



Bulk viscosity



Shear viscosity



# Conclusions

- To consistently use the RTA with energy-dep.  $\tau_R$  or matching conditions other than Landau, one *must* modify it;
- In this work we used our ansatz to derive transport coefficients in a quasi-particle model;
- We also explored alternative matching conditions. Both affect the transport coefficients. It can be shown that  $\partial_\mu S^\mu \geq 0$



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# EXTRA SLIDES

# Transport coefficients

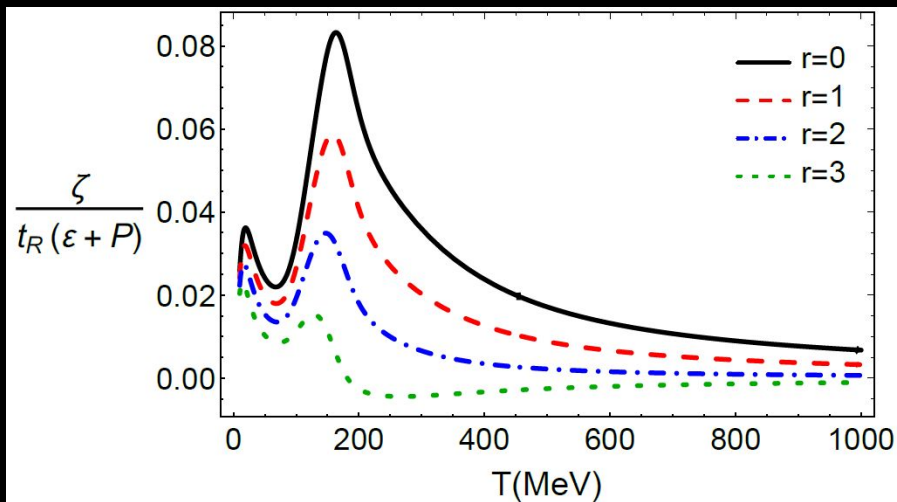
$$\tau_R = t_R \left( \frac{E_p}{T} \right)^\gamma,$$

- Inspired in some recent works\*, we have also explored the effect of alternative matching conditions  $\delta\varepsilon = \rho_2 \equiv 0 \mapsto \rho_r \equiv 0$

\*Bemfica et al PRD, 98(10):104064, (2018);  
PRD 100(10):104020, (2019);  
arxiv 2009.11388 [gr-qc]

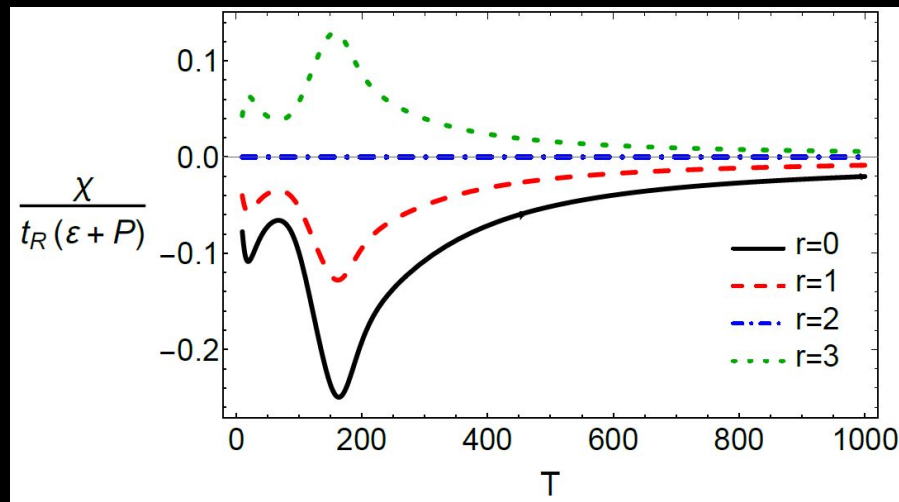
$$\Pi \equiv -\zeta \partial_\mu u^\mu$$

$$\delta\varepsilon = \chi \partial_\mu u^\mu$$



Bulk viscosity

$\gamma = 0$



New transport coefficient

Expressions for the coefficients  $\tau_R = t_R \left( \frac{E_p}{T} \right)^\gamma,$

$$\zeta = -\frac{1}{3} \left\langle (\Delta^{\mu\nu} p_\mu p_\nu) A_{\mathbf{p}} \frac{\tau_R}{E_{\mathbf{p}}} \right\rangle_0 - \left\langle \tau_R E_{\mathbf{p}}^{r-1} A_{\mathbf{p}} \right\rangle \frac{l_{3,1}}{l_{r+1,0}}$$

$$\chi = -\left\langle A_{\mathbf{p}} \tau_R E_{\mathbf{p}} \right\rangle + \left\langle \tau_R E_{\mathbf{p}}^{r-1} A_{\mathbf{p}} \right\rangle \frac{l_{3,0}}{l_{r+1,0}},$$

$$\eta = \frac{\beta}{15} \left\langle (\Delta^{\mu\nu} p_\mu p_\nu)^2 \frac{\tau_R}{E_{\mathbf{p}}} \right\rangle,$$

$$A_{\mathbf{p}} = -\beta c_s^2 E_p^2 - \frac{\beta}{3} \Delta^{\lambda\sigma} p_\lambda p_\sigma - \beta^2 M \frac{\partial M}{\partial \beta} c_s^2$$

$$l_{nq} = \frac{1}{(2q+1)!!} \int dP (-\Delta^{\lambda\sigma} p_\lambda p_\sigma)^q E_{\mathbf{p}}^{n-2q} f_{0\mathbf{p}}. \quad \langle \cdots \rangle_0 = \int dP (\cdots) f_{0\mathbf{p}}.$$