### From a viscous fluid to particles

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### Outline

I. Hydro and identified particle observables

**II. Converting fluid to particles** 

**III. Summary** 

# "Little bang": $-T \sim 200 - 400$ MeV

- perturbative at high energies
- electric AND magnetic screening

### **Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider**

#### Large Hadron Collider



since 2000-Au+Au:  $\sqrt{s} = 200$  GeV/nucleon

already running! Pb+Pb:  $\sqrt{s} = 2700$  GeV/nucl RHIC collisions look largely thermalized  $\rightarrow$  should be able to measure equation of state and viscosity

e.g., efficient conversion of spatial eccentricity to momentum anisotropy





large energy loss, even for heavy quarks





### I. Hydro paradigm and particles

### Identified particle observables are crucial

- help pin down initial conditions

- hold the key to equation of state

# **Hydrodynamics**

describes systems near local equilibrium, in terms of macroscopic variables

e(x), p(x),  $n_B(x)$  - energy density, pressure, baryon density  $u^{\mu}(x) \equiv \gamma(v)(1, \vec{v}(x))$  - flow velocity

conservation laws:  $\partial_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu}(x) = 0$ ,  $\partial_{\mu}N^{\mu}_{B}(x) = 0$ 

 $T^{\mu\nu}$ : energy-momentum tensor,  $N_B^{\mu}$ : baryon current

medium given through equation of state  $p(e, n_B)$ 

Local Rest frame (comoving frame)

ideal  $\equiv$  local equilibrium  $T_{LR}^{\mu\nu} = diag(e, p, p, p)$ ,  $N_{B,LR}^{\mu} = (n_B, 0)$ 

**nonideal**  $\equiv$  small deviations from local equilibrium  $\rightarrow$  dissipation

# $\sim$ 2000-01: Ideal hydro

Au+Au @ RHIC: spectral shapes work quite well Kolb & Heinz, nucl-th/0305084



# Elliptic flow $(v_2)$

spatial anisotropy  $\rightarrow$  final azimuthal momentum anisotropy



- measure of early pressure gradients
- sensitive to interaction strength (degree of thermalization)

#### also seen in ultra-cold atomic systems



### $\sim$ 2000-01: Ideal hydro

minimum-bias Au+Au at RHIC Kolb, Heinz, Huovinen et al ('01), nucl-th/0305084



 $au_{therm}=0.6~{
m fm}$  ,  $\langle e 
angle_{init}\sim 5GeV/fm^3$ ,  $T_{freezeout}=120~{
m MeV}$ 

pion-proton splitting favors QGP phase transition over pure hadron gas

### **Two recent refinements:**

- realistic equation of state
- QGP viscosity

# **QCD** equation of state ( $\mu_B = 0$ )

**QCD** on a space-time lattice -  $Z = \int \mathcal{D}\psi \,\mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \,\mathcal{D}A \,e^{-S_E^{QCD}}$ 



cross-over with a jump in effective degrees of freedom near  $T_c$ quite robust results, though still evolving -  $T_c \approx 170 - 180(-200)$  MeV

### Ideal hydro + realistic EOS

serious eyesore for hydro paradigm: realistic EOS gives same as hadron gas?!



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# Hope: dissipation could help. 2005 PHENIX White Paper NPA757, 184 ('05): for best agreement, must couple hydro to late-stage hadronic transport.



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#### a contender paradigm (waiting for independent confirmation)

quark-gluon transport with elastic  $2 \rightarrow 2$  AND radiative  $3 \leftrightarrow 2$ 

Xu & Greiner, ('08)



### Viscous QGP(?)

# (Shear) viscosity

1687 - I. Newton (Principia)

$$T_{xy} \equiv \frac{F_x}{A} = -\eta \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y}$$

 $\eta$ : shear viscosity reduces velocity gradients  $\Rightarrow$  dissipation



**1985** - Heisenberg  $\Delta E \cdot \Delta t$  + kinetic theory:  $\eta/s \ge \hbar/15k_B$ Gyulassy & Danielewicz, PRD 31 ('85)

2004 - string theory AdS/CFT:  $\eta/s \geq 1/4\pi \cdot \hbar/k_B$ 

Policastro, Son, Starinets, PRL87 ('02); Kovtun, Son, Starinets, PRL94 ('05) revised to  $\eta/s \ge 4\hbar/(25\pi)$  Brigante et al, PRL101 ('08)

or even lower Camanho et al, arXiv:1010.1682

"minimal viscosity" or not - need to test it experimentally

# Viscosity in QCD - not known

perturbation theory ( $T \gg T_c$ ): large  $\eta/s > O(1)$ , small  $\zeta/s \sim 0.02\alpha_s^2 \sim 0$ 

Arnold, Moore, Yaffe, JHEP 0305 ('03); Arnold, Dogan, Moore, PRD74 ('06)



inversion problem - you compute  $G(\tau) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \, \sigma(\omega) K(\omega, \tau)$  at 8-12 points  $\tau_i$ , but you need  $d\sigma/d\omega$  at  $\omega = 0$  to obtain viscosities

#### viscosities at RHIC and LHC not known but could indeed be small

Schafer, PRA 76 ('07)

Mueller et al, PRL103 ('09)



### What viscosity does

entropy production:

$$\partial_{\mu}S^{\mu} = \frac{\Pi^2}{\zeta T} - \frac{q^{\mu}q_{\mu}}{\kappa T^2} + \frac{\pi^{\mu\nu}\pi_{\mu\nu}}{2\eta T} \qquad > \quad 0$$

sound damping:

$$\omega(k) = c_s k - \frac{i}{2}k^2 \Gamma_s + \mathcal{O}(k^3) \qquad \Gamma_s \equiv \frac{\frac{4}{3}\eta + \zeta}{e+p}$$

sound attenuation length

slower cooling:

$$dE = -pdV + TdS \qquad (dS > 0)$$

anisotropic pressure: e.g., longitudinal expansion, with shear only

$$T^{\mu\nu} = diag(e, p + \pi_L/2, p + \pi_L/2, p - \pi_L)$$

### **Dissipative frameworks**

• **causal relativistic hydrodynamics** Israel, Stewart; ... Muronga, Rischke; Teaney et al; Romatschke et al; Heinz et al, DM & Huovinen ... Niemi et al... Ván et al..

$$\partial_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$
  $(\mu_B \rightarrow 0)$   
 $T^{\mu\nu} = (e+p)u^{\mu}u^{\nu} - pg^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu} - \Pi\Delta^{\mu\nu}$   
 $\dot{\pi}^{\mu\nu} = F^{\mu\nu}(e, u, \pi, \Pi)$  ,  $\dot{\Pi} = G(e, u, \pi, \Pi)$ 

#### e.g. Israel-Stewart theory

• covariant transport Israel, de Groot,... Zhang, Gyulassy, DM, Pratt, Xu, Greiner...

$$p^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}f = C_{2\to 2}[f] + C_{2\leftrightarrow 3}[f] + \cdots$$

#### fully causal and stable

near hydrodynamic limit, transport coefficients and relaxation times:

$$\eta \approx 1.2T/\sigma_{tr}$$
,  $\tau_{\pi} \approx 1.2\lambda_{tr}$ 

when viscosity is small, transport becomes viscous hydro

Au+Au at RHIC, b = 8 fm

Huovinen & DM ('08)



# Shear viscosity from RHIC data

Romatschke & Luzum, PRC78 ('08): Au+Au data vs 2+1D viscous hydrodynamics



although in the end gave conservative estimate  $\eta/s \leq 0.5$ 

many uncertainties: hydro validity,  $\eta/s(T)$ , initial conditions, decoupling...





Dusling & Teaney, PRC77



Consensus on  $\sim 20-30\%$  effects for  $\eta/s = 1/(4\pi)$  in Au+Au at RHIC.

ALSO - ballpark agreement with estimates based on kinetic theory, transverse momentum fluctuations, heavy-quark diffusion,... Zajc @ QM2009



### II. From viscous fluid to particles For viscous hydro calculations, identified particle observables are challenging

(yet unsolved problem)

### **Hydro** $\rightarrow$ **particles**

heavy-ion applications in the end must match hydrodynamics to a particle description

• in local equilibrium - one-to-one maping

 $T_{LR}^{\mu\nu} = diag(e, p, p, p) \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad f_{eq,i} = \frac{g_i}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-p_i^{\mu} u_{\mu}/T}$ 

• near local equilibrium - one-to-many

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T^{\mu\nu}_{ideal} + \delta T^{\mu\nu} \qquad \Leftarrow \qquad f_i = f_{eq,i} + \delta f_i$$

corrections crucially affect basic observables - spectra, elliptic flow, ...

unavoidable whether we do pure hydro or hydro + transport a separate issue: Cooper-Frye freezeout (" $t \neq const$ ")

### Separate issue: Cooper-Frye

Cooper & Frye, PRD10 ('74)

fluid to a gas on a 3D hypersurface (e.g.,  $T(x) = T_{fo}$ )



$$E\frac{dN}{d^3p} = p^{\mu}d\sigma_{\mu}(x) f_{gas}(T(x), \mu(x), u(x), \vec{p})$$

 $d\sigma_{\mu}$ : hypersurface normal at x

conversion at constant time is OK:  $d\sigma^{\mu} = d^3 x (1, \vec{0})$ 

 $\Rightarrow dN = f_{gas}(T(x), \mu(x), u(x), \vec{p}) d^3x d^3p$ 

but for arbitrary hypersurface, negative yield when  $p^{\mu}d\sigma_{\mu}(x) < 0$ 

#### **TWO effects:** - dissipative corrections to hydro fields $u^{\mu}, T, n$ - dissipative corrections to thermal distributions $f \rightarrow f_0 + \delta f$

Huovinen & DM ('08)  $\eta/s \approx 1/(4\pi)$   $(\sigma \propto \tau^{2/3})$ 



most of the  $v_2$  reduction comes from phase space correction  $\delta f$ 



energy dependence of  $\delta f$  affects observables at higher  $p_T$ 

for one-component massless gas, with viscous shear only

$$\delta f \equiv f_{eq} \times C(\chi) \, \pi^{\mu\nu} \frac{p_{\mu} p_{\nu}}{T^2} \, \chi(\frac{p}{T})$$

from Grad's ansatz:  $\chi \equiv 1$ 

this is a starting point in deriving IS hydro from kinetic theory

from linear response:  $\chi(x) \sim x^{\alpha}$  with  $-1 \leq \alpha \leq 0$  Dusling, Teaney, Moore, ('09) but  $\delta f$  blows up at large momenta  $\Rightarrow$  approximation breaks down

#### check these from nonequilibrium transport...

**Test in 0+1D Bjorken**  $\rightarrow f = f(\mathbf{p_T}, \xi, \tau)$ , where  $\xi \equiv \eta - y$ 

i) compute f from full nonequilibrium transport

ii) from f, determine  $T^{\mu\nu}$  and  $\delta f$ 

iii) estimate  $\delta f$  from  $T^{\mu\nu}$  alone via various ansatzes for  $\chi(p/T)$  (e.g. Grad's)

$$\delta f \propto f_{eq} \frac{\pi_L}{16p} \left(\frac{p_T}{T}\right)^{\alpha+2} \left[\operatorname{ch}(2\xi) - 2\right]$$

iv) compare  $\delta f^{estimated}$  with  $\delta f^{real}$ 

For simplicity, compare integrated quantities  $dN(\tau)/dp_T^2 dy|_{y=0}$  and  $dN(\tau)/d\xi$ 

drive calculation by inverse Knudsen number  $K_0 = \tau / \lambda_{tr} \propto (\eta / s)^{-1}$ 

DM ('09):

spectra in 0+1D Bjorken scenario at  $\tau = 2\tau_0$  and  $5\tau_0$  for  $\eta/s \sim 0.1$ , local equilibrium initconds  $\pi^{\mu\nu}(\tau_0) = 0$ 



Grad ansatz ( $\alpha = 0$ ) works surprisingly well - on a log plot at least

#### ratio - transport spectra / Grad approximation, $\eta/s \sim 0.1$

DM ('09):



Grad spectra are  $\approx 1\%$  accurate even at  $p_T/T = 6(!)$ 

#### ratio - transport spectra / Grad approximation, $\eta/s \sim 0.3$

DM ('09):



for higher viscosity, accuracy worsens - should affect other observables also

#### highlight viscous correction: spectra / ideal spectra

 $\eta/s \approx 0.1$ 

 $\eta/s pprox 0.3$ 



for higher viscosity, 20 - 40% error in viscous correction at low  $p_T$ 

Grad ansatz not as good for rapidity  $\xi \equiv \eta - y$  correlation



# Interplay with pQCD jets

### hydro accuracy is further limited by pQCD power-law tails



#### study this in a two-component jet + bulk model

for jets: pQCD cross sections, for bulk: strong interactions ( $\eta/s \approx 0.1$ )

spectra vs hydro approximation DM ('09)-('10)



[bulk:  $\eta/s \sim 0.1$ , jets:  $\sigma_{tr} = T_0^2/T^2 \cdot 1.5 \text{ mb}, \quad T_0 = 385 GeV$ ]

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#### ratio - transport spectra / Grad approximation



[bulk:  $\eta/s \sim 0.1$ , jets:  $\sigma_{tr} = T_0^2/T^2 \cdot 1.5 \text{ mb}, \quad T_0 = 385 GeV$ ]

jets spoil accuracy of Grad ansatz for  $p_T \gtrsim 1.5~{\rm GeV}$ 

### $Hydro \rightarrow gas\ mixture$

must be tackled to address IDENTIFIED particle data

(!) from ONE set of viscous fields we need to obtain  $\delta f_i$  for EVERY species

commonly used "democratic" prescription:

$$\delta f_i \equiv f_i^{eq} \times \frac{\pi^{\mu\nu}}{2(e+p)} \frac{p_{\mu,i}p_{\nu,i}}{T^2} \qquad (i = \pi, K, p, \Lambda, ...)$$

ignores equilibration dynamics

$$K_i \sim \frac{\tau}{\lambda_i} \sim \tau \sum_j n_j \sigma_{ij}$$

key drivers: <u>relative</u> Knudsen numbers between species  $K_j/K_i$ 

### **Democratic vs** $2 \rightarrow 2$ **transport**

**2-component 0+1D Bjorken test** DM ('10) - A equilibrates twice as fast as B

$$\delta f_i = C_i \, (p_T/T)^2 (\operatorname{sh}^2 y - 1/2) f_i^{eq} \qquad \pi_{L,i}/p_i = 8C_i$$



"democratic" ansatz misses viscous effects by  $\sim~20-25$ %

#### pressure evolution



#### VERY slightly more pressure work for species "A"



"democratic" Grad prescription not accurate

highlight dissipative correction: spectra for A / ideal ansatz



20-100% error in dissipative correction, depending on  $p_T$  and time

So... we must obtain dynamically determined partial shear stresses  $\pi_i^{\mu\nu}$  - BEFORE we can convert to particles

 $\Rightarrow$  will a one-component viscous hydro be sufficient?

usual derivation of hydro from kinetic theory based on Grad ansatz gives coupled set of equations between  $\pi_i^{\mu\nu}$ 

#### Denicol @ CATHIE-TECHQM, Dec 2009

### Closed Equations – Bulk and Shear

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\Pi_{(i)}}{d\tau} + \frac{\Pi_{(i)}}{\tau_{\Pi(i)}} + \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{\Pi_{(j)}}{\tau_{\Pi(i)(j)}} &= -\left(\beta_{\zeta(i)} + \zeta_{\Pi\Pi(i)}\Pi_{(i)}\right)\theta + \zeta_{\Pi\pi(i)}\pi_{(i)}^{\mu\nu}\sigma_{\mu\nu} \\ &-\zeta_{\Pi\pi(i)}\partial_{\mu}n^{\mu} - \alpha_{\Pi\pi(i)}n_{(i)}^{\mu}\dot{u}_{\mu} - \beta_{\Pi\pi(i)}n_{(i)}^{\mu}\nabla_{\mu}\alpha_{0(i)} \\ &-\zeta_{\Pi q(i)}\partial_{\mu}q^{\mu} - \alpha_{\Pi q(i)}q_{(i)}^{\mu}\dot{u}_{\mu} - \beta_{\Pi q(i)}q_{(i)}^{\mu}\nabla_{\mu}\alpha_{0(i)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d\pi_{(i)}^{(\mu\nu)}}{d\tau} + \frac{\pi_{(i)}^{\mu\nu}}{\tau_{\pi(i)}} + \sum_{j\neq i} \frac{\pi_{(j)}^{\mu\nu}}{\tau_{\pi(i)(j)}} = 2\left(\beta_{\eta(i)} + \eta_{\pi\Pi(i)}\Pi_{(i)}\right)\sigma^{\mu\nu} - 2\eta_{\pi\pi(i)}\pi_{\alpha(i)}^{\langle\mu}\sigma^{\nu\rangle\alpha} + 2\pi_{\alpha(i)}^{\langle\mu}\omega^{\nu\rangle\alpha} - \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{7}{6}\eta_{\pi\pi(i)}\right)\pi_{(i)}^{\mu\nu}\theta \\
+ 2\eta_{\pi\pi(2)(i)}\nabla^{\langle\mu}n_{(i)}^{\nu\rangle} + 2\beta_{\pi\pi(i)}n_{(i)}^{\langle\mu}\nabla^{\nu\rangle}\alpha_{0(i)} - 2\alpha_{\pi\pi(i)}n_{(i)}^{\langle\mu}\dot{u}^{\nu\rangle} \\
+ 2\eta_{\pi q(2)(i)}\nabla^{\langle\mu}q_{(i)}^{\nu\rangle} + 2\beta_{\pi q(i)}q_{(i)}^{\langle\mu}\nabla^{\nu\rangle}\alpha_{0(i)} - 2\alpha_{\pi q(i)}q_{(i)}^{\langle\mu}\dot{u}^{\nu\rangle}$$

Eqs. will depend on  
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$$\prod_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}^{\mu}, \pi_{i}^{\mu\nu}, \nu_{i}^{\mu} \text{ MORE variables!}$$

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some hope: transport suggests universal sharing, at later times DM ('10)

$$\delta f_i = C_i (p_T/T)^2 (\operatorname{sh}^2 y - 1/2) f_i^{eq} \qquad \pi_{L,i}/p_i = 8C_i$$



# **III. Summary**

- Theory should strive to address identified particle data. In the hydro paradigm, this is key in order to constrain the equation of state and initial conditions.
- Converting a non-ideal fluid to particles is nontrivial, independently of Cooper-Frye freezeout assumptions.

Comparison with kinetic theory indicates that Grad's quadratic ansatz is remarkably accurate (1-2%) up to  $p_T/T \sim 6$ , at least with  $2 \rightarrow 2$  interactions and for small shear viscosities  $\eta/s \approx 0.1$ .

In the multicomponent case, kinetic theory indicates that per-species dissipative corrections are driven by the relative opacities. The commonly assumed "democratic" sharing in viscous hydro calculations is unrealistic.

- Some open questions:
  - whether we need to extend hydrodynamics with per-species viscous fields
  - accuracy of linear response
  - any simple shortcut to the end result









### unique connections between different fields

## **Backup slides**

### "Bag" equation of state

EOS Q: simplified 1st-order phase transition parameterization



combines hadron resonance gas (EOS H) & plasma (EOS 1)

# **Viscous hydrodynamics**

#### Navier-Stokes: corrections linear in gradients [Landau]

$$T_{NS}^{\mu\nu} = T_{ideal}^{\mu\nu} + \eta (\nabla^{\mu}u^{\nu} + \nabla^{\nu}u^{\mu} - \frac{2}{3}\Delta^{\mu\nu}\partial^{\alpha}u_{\alpha}) + \zeta \Delta^{\mu\nu}\partial^{\alpha}u_{\alpha}$$
$$N_{NS}^{\nu} = N_{ideal}^{\nu} + \kappa \left(\frac{n}{\varepsilon + p}\right)^{2} \nabla^{\nu} \left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right) \qquad [\Delta^{\mu\nu} \equiv g^{\mu\nu} - u^{\mu}u^{\nu}, \quad \nabla^{\nu} \equiv \Delta^{\mu\nu}\partial_{\mu}]$$

 $\eta\text{,}\zeta\text{:}$  shear and bulk viscosity;  $\kappa\text{:}$  heat conductivity

#### unfortunately NS hydro is unstable and acausal Müller ('76), Israel & Stewart ('79), Hiscock & Lindblom, PRD31 ('85) ...

#### causal 2nd-order hydro: dynamical corrections

$$T^{\mu\nu} \equiv T^{\mu\nu}_{ideal} + \pi^{\mu\nu} - \Pi \Delta^{\mu\nu} , \qquad N^{\mu} \equiv N^{\mu}_{ideal} - \frac{n}{e+p} q^{\mu}$$

relaxation eqns for bulk pressure  $\Pi$ , shear stress  $\pi^{\mu\nu}$ , heatflow  $q^{\mu}$ 

#### e.g. Israel-Stewart theory, Öttinger-Grmela, conformal hydro, ...

Israel & Stewart, Ann.Phys 110&118; Öttinger & Grmela, PRE 56&57; Baier et al, JHEP04 ('08)

**Israel-Stewart theory** - complete set of equations of motion

$$D\Pi = -\frac{1}{\tau_{\Pi}} (\Pi + \zeta \nabla_{\mu} u^{\mu})$$
(1)  
$$-\frac{1}{2} \Pi \left( \nabla_{\mu} u^{\mu} + D \ln \frac{\beta_{0}}{T} \right)$$
$$+ \frac{\alpha_{0}}{\beta_{0}} \partial_{\mu} q^{\mu} - \frac{a'_{0}}{\beta_{0}} q^{\mu} D u_{\mu}$$
(2)  
$$Dq^{\mu} = -\frac{1}{\tau_{q}} \left[ q^{\mu} + \kappa_{q} \frac{T^{2}n}{\varepsilon + p} \nabla^{\mu} \left( \frac{\mu}{T} \right) \right] - u^{\mu} q_{\nu} D u^{\nu}$$
(2)  
$$-\frac{1}{2} q^{\mu} \left( \nabla_{\lambda} u^{\lambda} + D \ln \frac{\beta_{1}}{T} \right) - \omega^{\mu\lambda} q_{\lambda}$$
$$- \frac{\alpha_{0}}{\beta_{1}} \nabla^{\mu} \Pi + \frac{\alpha_{1}}{\beta_{1}} (\partial_{\lambda} \pi^{\lambda\mu} + u^{\mu} \pi^{\lambda\nu} \partial_{\lambda} u_{\nu}) + \frac{a_{0}}{\beta_{1}} \Pi D u^{\mu} - \frac{a_{1}}{\beta_{1}} \pi^{\lambda\mu} D u_{\lambda}$$
$$D\pi^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{\tau_{\pi}} \left( \pi^{\mu\nu} - 2\eta \nabla^{\langle \mu} u^{\nu \rangle} \right) - (\pi^{\lambda\mu} u^{\nu} + \pi^{\lambda\nu} u^{\mu}) D u_{\lambda}$$
(3)  
$$-\frac{1}{2} \pi^{\mu\nu} \left( \nabla_{\lambda} u^{\lambda} + D \ln \frac{\beta_{2}}{T} \right) - 2\pi_{\lambda}^{\langle \mu} \omega^{\nu \lambda}$$
$$- \frac{\alpha_{1}}{\beta_{2}} \nabla^{\langle \mu} q^{\nu \rangle} + \frac{a'_{1}}{\beta_{2}} q^{\langle \mu} D u^{\nu \rangle} .$$
where  $A^{\langle \mu\nu \rangle} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \Delta^{\mu\alpha} \Delta^{\nu\beta} (A_{\alpha\beta} + A_{\beta\alpha}) - \frac{1}{3} \Delta^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\alpha\beta} A^{\alpha\beta}, \qquad \omega^{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \Delta^{\mu\alpha} \Delta^{\nu\beta} (\partial_{\beta} u_{\alpha} - \partial_{\alpha} u_{\beta})$ 

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Why does ideal hydrodynamics work in everyday life??

Ideal hydro is applicable when relative viscous corrections are small  $\delta T^{\mu\nu}_{viscous}/T^{\mu\nu}_{ideal}\ll 1$ 

I.e., based on Navier-Stokes we need (with shear only)

$$\frac{\eta \nabla^i u^j}{e+p} \sim \frac{\eta \nabla^i u^j}{T \, s} \sim \frac{\eta}{s} \times \frac{v}{LT} \ll 1$$

where L is the shortest length scale. In heavy ion physics,

$$\frac{v}{LT} \sim \frac{1}{\tau T} \sim 1 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \text{need } \frac{\eta}{s} \ll 1$$

In everyday problems  $v/(LT) \gg 1$ , compensating a large  $\eta/s$ .

What we are after is not ideal hydro behavior but systems where the viscosity is near its quantum (uncertainty) limit.

### **Realistically,** $\eta/s \neq const$

interpolate between wQGP, sQGP, hadron gas + use  $\tau_{\pi} \approx \eta/p$ 

Denicol et al, JPG37 ('10)



#### same elliptic flow as for low $\eta/s \approx 0.12(!)$

Denicol et al, JPG37 ('10)



 $\Rightarrow$  disentangling  $\eta$  and  $\tau_{\pi}$  will likely need good theory input

# Validity of hydrodynamics

test against transport: IS hydro accurate for  $\eta/s pprox 1/4\pi$  DM & Huovinen, JPG35('08)



relevant condition: high-enough inverse Knudsen number Huovinen & DM, PRC79 ('08)  $K_{0} = \frac{\tau}{T} - \frac{\tau_{exp}}{T} \approx \frac{6\tau_{exp}}{T} > 2 + 2 = 3$ 

$$K_0 \equiv \frac{\tau}{\lambda_{tr}} = \frac{\tau_{exp}}{\tau_{scatt}} \approx \frac{6\tau_{exp}}{5\tau_{\pi}} > \sim 2-3$$

in terms of shear viscosity

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \sim \frac{2.6}{4\pi K_0} \lesssim 2 \times \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

### Validity of Israel-Stewart hydro (0+1D Bjorken)



**Connection to viscosity** 

$$K_0 \approx \frac{T_0 \tau_0}{5} \frac{s_0}{\eta_{s,0}} \approx 12.8 \times \left(\frac{T_0}{1 \text{ GeV}}\right) \left(\frac{\tau_0}{1 \text{ fm}}\right) \left(\frac{1/(4\pi)}{\eta_0/s_0}\right)$$

For typical RHIC hydro initconds  $T_0 \tau_0 \sim 1$ , therefore

$$K_0 \gtrsim 2-3 \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \frac{\eta}{s} \lesssim \frac{1-2}{4\pi}$$
 (4)

I.e., shear viscosity cannot be many times more than the conjectured bound, for IS hydro to be applicable.

When IS hydro is accurate, dissipative corrections to pressure and entropy do not exceed 20% significantly (a necessary condition). This holds for a wide range [0.476, 1.697] of initial pressure anisotropies.

(!) close to a noninteracting "resonance gas" at  $T \lesssim 160 - 180$  MeV

$$f_i(p) = \frac{g_i}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\exp[E_i(p) - \mu_i]/T \pm 1}$$

strangeness fluctuations

Huovinen & Petreczky, NPA837 ('10)

#### equation of state



important for late-stage dynamics (hadron transport)



Relaxation times:  $\tau_{\Pi} \sim \zeta$  also peaks near T<sub>c</sub>, this plays an important role for bulk viscous dynamics

N-S initialization:  $\Pi_0 = -\zeta(\partial \cdot u)$ 

large  $\tau_{\Pi}$  near T<sub>c</sub>  $\longrightarrow$  keeps large negative value of  $\Pi$  in phase transition region  $\longrightarrow$  viscous hydro breaks down  $(p+\Pi < 0)$  for larger  $\zeta/s$ 

viscous hydro is only valid with small  $\zeta/s \longrightarrow$  small bulk viscous effects on V<sub>2</sub>



-with a critical slowing down  $au_{\pi}$ , effects from bulk viscosity effects are much smaller than from shear viscosity

bulk viscosity influences  $V_2 \sim 5\%$  (N-S initial.) <4% (zero initial.)  $\iff$  uncertainties to  $\eta/s \sim 20\%$  (N-S initial.) <15% (zero initial.)