

Triangle Anomaly in QGP : Chiral Magnetic Effect and Chiral Magnetic Wave

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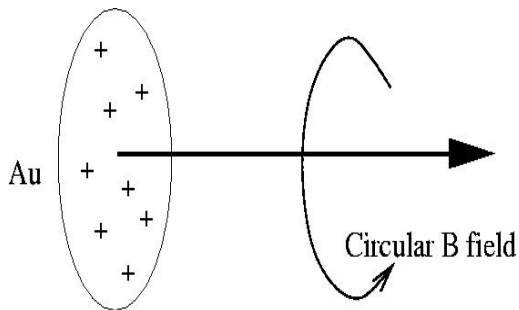
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A table of recent interesting discoveries

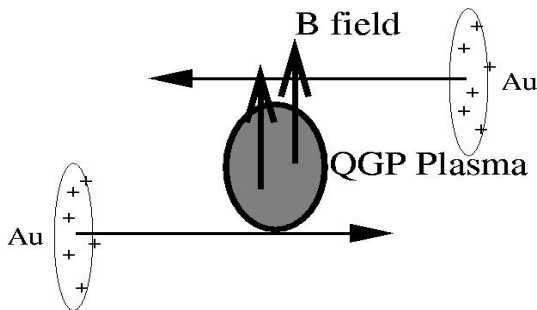
| | $T < T_c$ | $T > T_c$ (RHIC, LHC) |
|------------|---|---|
| $B = 0$ | - gauged WZW term $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$, etc - $\mu \neq 0$, Quarkyonic spiral | - chiral vortex current ($\mu \neq 0$) $J^\mu \sim \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} u_\nu \partial_\alpha u_\beta$ - chiral shear wave ($\mu \neq 0$) |
| $B \neq 0$ | - meson(pion) supercurrent ($\mu \neq 0$) $\partial\pi \neq 0$ “chiral spiral” - chiral magnetic spiral ($\mu \neq 0$) $J^1 + iJ^2 \neq 0$ | - chiral magnetic effect ($\mu \neq 0$) $\vec{J} \sim \vec{B}\mu$ - chiral magnetic wave ($\mu = 0$) $\omega \sim v_\chi k$ |

- Important difference between **chiral magnetic effect**(CME) and **chiral magnetic wave**(CMW) will be that CMW exists even in the average **neutral** plasmas
- Magnetic field is an important ingredient in both

Why is magnetic field in quark-gluon plasma relevant ?



Huge magnetic field in the middle



- Reference : Kharzeev-McLarren-Warringa
- eB depends on impact parameter, collision energy, as well as time during evolution
- Maximum eB is typically of order of $eB \sim (0.1 - 4) m_\pi^2 \sim 10^{18} G$. Astrophysical eB from neutron stars is about $10^{15} G$
- Kinematically, it lasts about $2 fm$. But, Lenz's law in QGP makes it stay longer, even to freezeout time in optimistic scenarios

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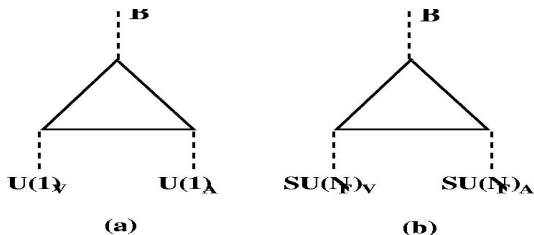
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UPSHOT : Effects from this huge magnetic field may be important

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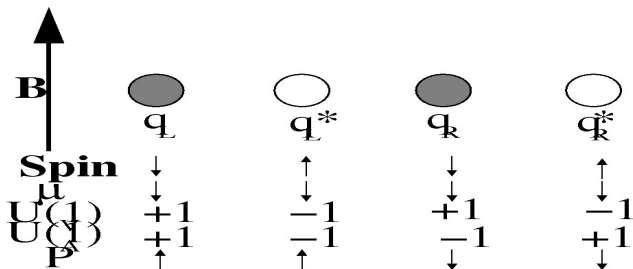


Our starting point is the recent discovery of [Chiral magnetic effects](#) (Kharzeev-McLarren-Warringa, Fukusima-Kharzeev-Warringa, Son-Newman)

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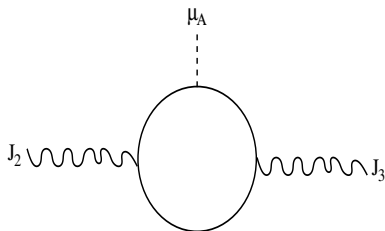
Charge current along the magnetic field is induced by chemical potential

Heuristic quasi-particle picture



- Quantize free massless chiral quarks fields ψ_L and ψ_R
- ψ_L has charges $B = +1$ and $A = +1$, and ψ_R has $B = +1$ and $A = -1$
- Massless quarks/antiquarks have definite helicities, so their motions are correlated with their spin alignment

Weak coupling computation

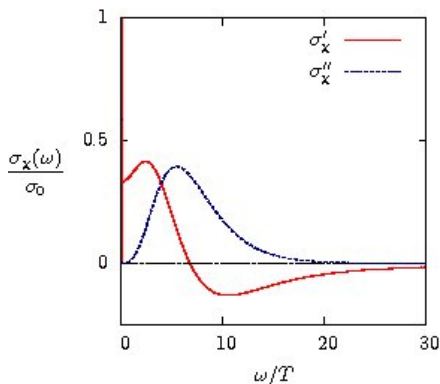


- Regard the magnetic field $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{F}_{12}$ linearly, and think of linear response framework
- Observe the current \mathbf{J}^β in response of $\mathbf{B} = \partial_1 \mathbf{A}_2 - \partial_2 \mathbf{A}_1$. Note that A_μ couples to J_μ
- This gives us $\mathbf{J}^\beta = \sigma_\chi \mathbf{B}$ where the chiral magnetic conductivity σ_χ is

$$\sigma_\chi \sim \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \lim_{k_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{k_1} \langle \mathbf{J}_3(k, \omega) \mathbf{J}_2(k, \omega) \rangle \quad (2)$$

- One can also speak about frequency dependent chiral magnetic conductivity $\sigma_\chi(\omega)$

Weak coupling result



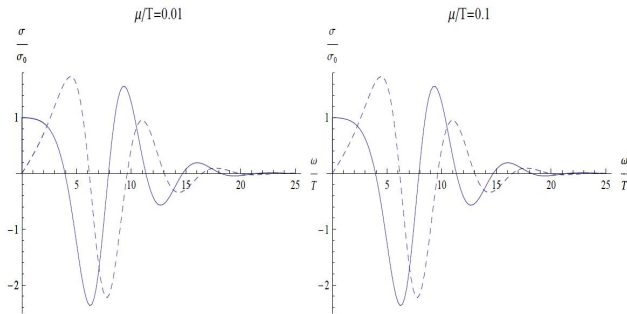
It was done by Kharzeev and Warringa

- Some ambiguity regarding order of limits for $k \rightarrow 0$ and $\omega \rightarrow 0$
- There is a sudden drop from $\omega = 0$ to $\omega \neq 0$
- It is not completely clear yet how to resolve these ambiguities

Holographic computation

Holographic chiral magnetic conductivity was computed in the Sakai-Sugimoto model (H.-U.Y)

In the case of **Sakai-Sugimoto model**, the necessary Chern-Simons term is already present, and we can compute things more reliably



Solid line: $\text{Re}\sigma(\omega)$, Dashed line : $\text{Im}\sigma(\omega)$

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The semi-final result is

$$\vec{j}_{L,R} = \mp \left(\frac{N_c e \vec{B} \alpha}{2\pi^2} \right) j_{L,R}^0 - D_L \frac{\vec{B}(\vec{B} \cdot \vec{\nabla})}{B^2} j_{L,R}^0 + \dots \quad , \quad (10)$$

with a longitudinal diffusion constant D_L . This should be taken as a hydrodynamic constitutive equation in [long wave-length expansion](#)
 A few comments are

- What we are claiming is that the above result is valid for **arbitrarily large** magnetic field \mathbf{B} . Several previous literature considered only linear in \mathbf{B}
- Note that α will be a non-trivial, non-linear function of \mathbf{B} as well as temperature, coupling constant, etc. We will see this explicitly later for infinitely large \mathbf{B} case and holographic QCD computation
- It might also be interesting to consider [transverse](#) diffusion coefficient D_T

New propagating modes out of this

Now, plug the above in the conservation laws $\partial_\mu j_{L,R}^\mu = 0$, and consider only longitudinal derivative ∂_1 , which results in

$$\left(\partial_0 \mp \frac{N_c e B \alpha}{2\pi^2} \partial_1 - D_L \partial_1^2 \right) j_{L,R}^0 = 0 \quad . \quad (11)$$

- This is a **directional (chiral) wave** with velocity

$$v_\chi = \frac{N_c e B \alpha}{2\pi^2} = \frac{N_c e B}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{\partial \mu_L}{\partial j_L^0} \right) = \frac{N_c e B}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{\partial \mu_R}{\partial j_R^0} \right) \quad . \quad (12)$$

- The momentum space dispersion relation looks as

$$\omega = \mp v_\chi k - i D_L k^2 + \dots \quad , \quad (13)$$

The propagating leading part would be absent if there was no anomaly or magnetic field B , and it is essentially important to have them to find the propagating behavior

Large B limit and 1+1 dimensional reduction

We will consider one particular weak coupling limit, $eB \rightarrow \infty$

- At first, the expression

$$v_\chi = \frac{N_c eB}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{\partial \mu_L}{\partial j_L^0} \right) \quad (14)$$

looks worrisome in view of causality

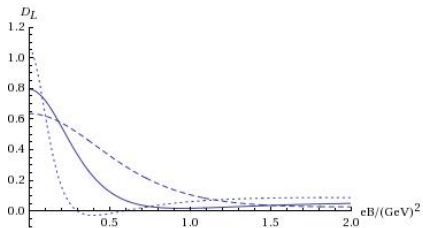
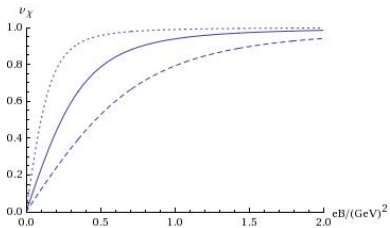
- It is natural to expect that the quarks are sitting in the lowest Landau Levels, as the gap $\Delta = \sqrt{eB} \gg T$. We have an **effective 1+1 dimensional reduction**.
- For a chemical potential μ_L , 1+1 dimensional free fermion density is simply $\frac{\mu_L}{(2\pi)}$. We also have transverse space density of state of $\frac{N_c eB}{(2\pi)}$, so that the net 3-dimensional density j_L^0 is

$$j_L^0 = \left(\frac{\mu_L}{(2\pi)} \right) \left(\frac{N_c eB}{(2\pi)} \right) = \frac{N_c eB}{4\pi^2} \mu_L \quad (15)$$

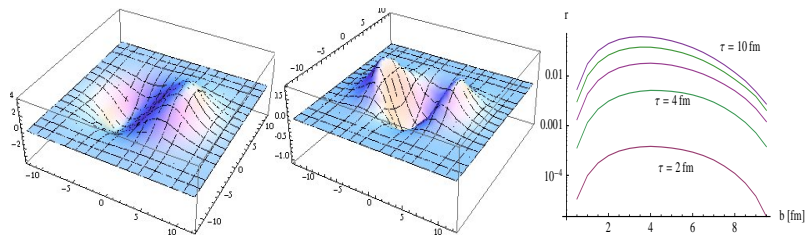
or $\left(\frac{\partial \mu_L}{\partial j_L^0} \right) = \frac{4\pi^2}{N_c eB}$ in the limit of $eB \rightarrow \infty$. This gives

$$v_\chi \rightarrow 1 \quad , \quad eB \rightarrow \infty \quad (16)$$

Results from Sakai-Sugimoto model



Application to heavy-ion experiments (Burnier, Kharzeev, Liao, H.-U.Y)



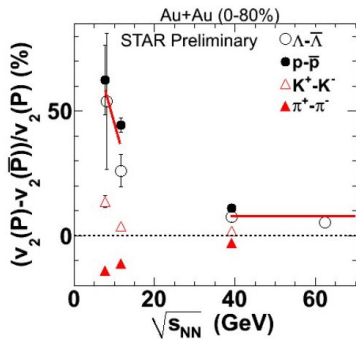
- Created plasma has a net baryonic density
- Baryonic density is a sum of equal amount of left and right-handed chiral charges

$$\rho_V = \rho_L + \rho_R \quad (17)$$

- According to CMW, ρ_L and ρ_R move to opposite direction due to their chirality
- Net result is electric quadrupole deformation, which eventually leads to charge dependent elliptic flow v_2^\pm for pions

$$v_2^\pm = v_2 \pm 0.15r \quad (18)$$

Experimental observation of v_2^\pm



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