

# Extended Relaxation Time approach (ERTA) to Relativistic non-resistive Magnetohydrodynamics

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# Heavy Ion Collision

- The QGP phase can be modelled in the framework of relativistic hydrodynamics which is a relativistic generalization of fluid mechanics.

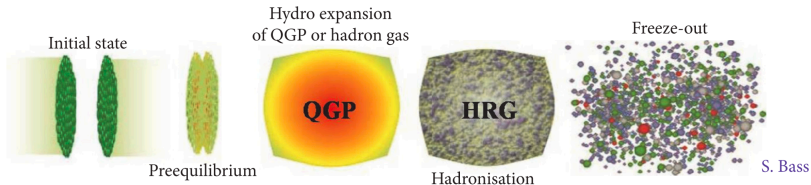


Figure: Various stages of Ultrarelativistic heavy-ion collisions

## Equations of motion

- Using the energy momentum and number current conservation laws, the fluid dynamical equations of motion are given by:

$$\dot{\epsilon} + (\epsilon + P)\theta - \pi^{\mu\nu}\sigma_{\mu\nu} = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$(\epsilon + P)\dot{u}^\mu - \nabla^\mu P + \Delta_\nu^\mu \partial_\gamma \pi^{\gamma\nu} = 0, \quad (2)$$

$$\dot{n} + n\theta + \partial_\mu n^\mu = 0 \quad (3)$$

- $\epsilon$ ,  $n$  and  $P$  are related to each other via the equation of state.
- The evolution equations for  $\pi^{\mu\nu}$  and  $n^\mu$  is needed which can be derived from entropy-current analysis, requiring  $\partial_\mu S^\mu \geq 0$ .
- The evolution equation for  $\pi^{\mu\nu}$  that we need to ensure the second law of thermodynamics is guaranteed is:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\pi}^{\langle\mu\nu\rangle} + \frac{\pi^{\mu\nu}}{\tau_\pi} &= 2\beta_\pi \sigma^{\mu\nu} - \delta_{\pi\pi} \pi^{\mu\nu} \theta + 2\pi_\gamma^{\langle\mu} \omega^{\nu\rangle\gamma} - \tau_{\pi\pi} \pi_\gamma^{\langle\mu} \sigma^{\nu\rangle\gamma} \\ &\quad - \tau_{\pi n} n^{\langle\mu} \dot{u}^{\nu\rangle} + \lambda_{\pi n} n^{\langle\mu} \nabla^{\nu\rangle} \alpha + l_{\pi n} \nabla^{\langle\mu} n^{\nu\rangle}. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

- The transport coefficients must be determined from a microscopic theory.

# Kinetic Theory Approach

- With  $f_0(x, p)$  being the local equilibrium distribution, the deviation of equilibrium can be written as  $\delta f = f - f_0$ .

$$\pi^{\mu\nu} = \Delta_{\alpha\beta}^{\mu\nu} \int dP p^\alpha p^\beta \delta f \quad (5)$$

- To get the form of  $\delta f$ , the evolution of  $f(x, p)$  is needed via the Boltzmann equation.

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f = \mathcal{C}[f] \quad (6)$$

- The collision term which encodes the details about various collisional processes happening in the system can be approximated using the relaxation time approximation (RTA) as:

$$\mathcal{C}[f] = -\frac{(u \cdot p)}{\tau_R} (f - f_0) \quad (7)$$

- The relaxation time  $\tau_R$  is momentum independent for RTA since a momentum dependent  $\tau_R(p)$  leads to violation of conservation laws with Landau matching condition:

$$\int dP \mathcal{C}[f] \neq 0 \neq \int dP p^\mu \mathcal{C}[f] \quad (8)$$

## Extended relaxation time

- The collision kernel for extended relaxation time reads <sup>1</sup>:

$$C[f] = -\frac{(u \cdot p)}{\tau_R(x, p)}(f - f_0^*) \quad (9)$$

Where  $f_0^*$  is the equilibrium distribution function in the “thermodynamic” frame.

$$f_0^* = e^{-\beta^*(u^* \cdot p) + \alpha^*} \quad (10)$$

- Where  $u^{*\mu}, \beta^*$  and  $\alpha^*$  are related with the usual variables by:

$$u^{\mu*} = u^\mu + \delta u^\mu, \quad \mu^* = \mu + \delta \mu, \quad T^* = T + \delta T, \quad (11)$$

$\delta u^\mu, \delta \mu$  and  $\delta T$  must be determined using the matching conditions,  $\epsilon = \epsilon_0, n = n_0$  and the Landau frame condition  $u_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^\nu$ .

- This lets us use a momentum dependent relaxation time to determine the transport coefficients. The form of momentum dependent  $\tau_R(x, p)$  is taken as:

$$\tau_R(x, p) = \frac{\kappa}{T} \left( \frac{u \cdot p}{T} \right)^\ell \quad (12)$$

<sup>1</sup>D. Dash, S. Bhadury, S. Jaiswal, A. Jaiswal, *Physics Letters B*, 831 (2022)

## Shear stress evolution within ERTA

- The  $\delta f$  with the necessary counter terms inside  $u^{*\mu}$ ,  $\beta^*$  and  $\mu^*$  leads to:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\pi}^{\langle\mu\nu\rangle} + \frac{\pi^{\mu\nu}}{\tau_\pi} = & 2\beta_\pi \sigma^{\mu\nu} - \delta_{\pi\pi} \pi^{\mu\nu} \theta + 2\pi_\gamma^{\langle\mu} \omega^{\nu\rangle\gamma} - \tau_{\pi\pi} \pi_\gamma^{\langle\mu} \sigma^{\nu\rangle\gamma} \\ & - \tau_{\pi n} n^{\langle\mu} \dot{u}^{\nu\rangle} + \lambda_{\pi n} n^{\langle\mu} \nabla^{\nu\rangle} \alpha + l_{\pi n} \nabla^{\langle\mu} n^{\nu\rangle}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

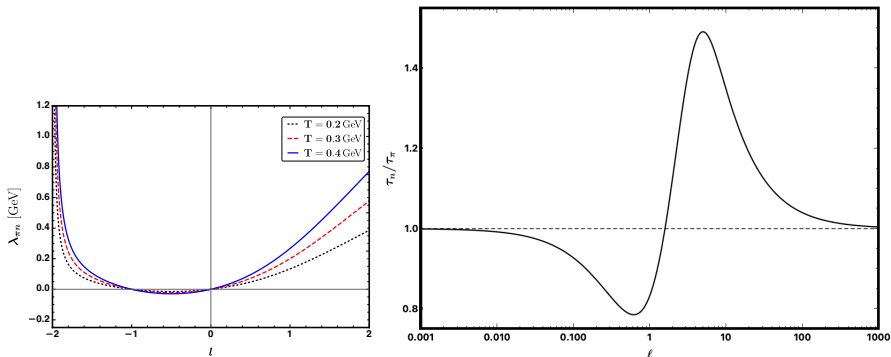
- This evolution equation is second order in the gradient expansion of the hydrodynamic fields
- One of the central results of the current work is that in the massless MB limit, **the evolution of the number diffusion  $n^\mu$  is coupled to the evolution of the shear stress tensor** whereas they are decoupled in the RTA limit <sup>2</sup>.
- We also have the number evolution equation given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{n}^{\langle\mu\rangle} + \frac{n^\mu}{\tau_n} = & \beta_V \nabla^\mu \alpha - \lambda_{V\pi} \pi^{\mu\lambda} \nabla_\lambda \alpha - \tau_{V\pi} \pi_\lambda^\mu \dot{u}^\lambda - \delta_{VV} n^\mu \theta \\ & + l_{V\pi} \Delta_\alpha^\mu \partial_k \pi^{\alpha k} - \lambda_{VV} \sigma_\lambda^\mu n^\lambda - \lambda_\omega \omega_\lambda^\mu n^\lambda. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

- All these transport coefficients depends on the momentum dependent parameter  $\ell$  via the thermodynamic integrals.

<sup>2</sup>A. Jaiswal, B. Friman, K. Redlich, *Phy Lett B* 751 (2015)

## Some results..



Plot for one of these transport coefficients against  $l$  as an example to show their dependence on the momentum dependence parameter  $l$ . The ratio of relaxation times for number diffusion mode to shear mode is also shown.



## Exact calculations of transport coefficients

- Some recent studies<sup>3,4</sup> analytically extracted a full set of eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of the relativistic linearized Boltzmann collision operator for  $\lambda\phi^4$  theory.

$$\hat{L}\phi_k = \frac{g}{2} \int dK' dP dP' f_{0k'} (2\pi)^5 \delta^{(4)}(k + k' - p - p') (\phi_p + \phi_{p'} - \phi_k - \phi_{k'}). \quad (15)$$

- Where the eigenfunctions and their eigenvalues are given by:

$$\hat{L}L_{nk}^{(2m+1)} k^{\langle\mu_1} \dots k^{\mu_\ell\rangle} = -\frac{g\mathcal{M}}{2} \left[ \frac{n+m-1}{n+m+1} + \delta_{\ell 0} \delta_{n0} \right] L_{nk}^{(2m+1)} k^{\langle\mu_1} \dots k^{\mu_m\rangle}, \quad (16)$$

- Expanding  $\phi_k$  in terms of these eigenfunctions and keeping the terms with zero eigenvalues leads to the collision kernel being:

$$\hat{L}\phi_k = -\frac{g\mathcal{M}}{2} \left[ \phi_k - c_0 - c_1 L_{1k}^{(1)} - c_0^\mu k_{<\mu>} \right] \quad (17)$$

- Recovering the RTA limit from the exact theory leads to the form of momentum-dependent relaxation time being:

$$\tau_R(p) = \frac{2(u \cdot p)}{g\mathcal{M}}$$

Which implies  $\ell = 1$  and  $\kappa = 4\pi^2/(ge^\alpha)$  in the corresponding ERTA framework.

<sup>3</sup>Gabriel S. Rocha, Caio V.P. de Brito, and Gabriel S. Denicol, *Phys. Rev. D* **108**, 036017 (2023)

<sup>4</sup>Gabriel S. Rocha, Gabriel S. Denicol, and Jorge Noronha, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **127**, 042301 (2021)

Comparison with self interacting  $\lambda\phi^4$  theory

Coefficients	RTA results ( $l = 0$ )	ERTA results ( $l = 1$ )	$\lambda\phi^4$ results (exact)
$\tau_\pi$	$\tau_c$	$\frac{24d_g}{gn_0\beta^2}$	$\frac{72}{gn_0\beta^2}$
$\eta$	$\frac{4P\tau_c}{5}$	$\frac{16d_g}{g\beta^3}$	$\frac{48}{g\beta^3}$
$\kappa$	$\frac{n_0\tau_c}{12}$	$\frac{d_g}{g\beta^2}$	$\frac{3}{g\beta^2}$
$\delta_{\pi\pi}$	$\frac{4}{3}$	$\frac{4}{3}$	$\frac{4}{3}$
$\tau_{\pi\pi}$	$\frac{10}{7}$	2	2
$l_{\pi n}$	0	$-\frac{4}{3\beta}$	$-\frac{4}{3\beta}$
$\tau_{\pi n}$	0	$-\frac{16}{3\beta}$	$-\frac{16}{3\beta}$
$\lambda_{\pi n}$	0	$\frac{2}{3\beta}$	$\frac{5}{6\beta}$

Table: Comparison of the ERTA coefficients with exact results from  $\lambda\phi^4$  theory for shear coefficients.

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Coefficients	RTA results ( $l = 0$ )	ERTA results ( $l = 1$ )	$\lambda\phi^4$ results (exact)
$\tau_n$	$\tau_c$	$\frac{20d_g}{gn_0\beta^2}$	$\frac{60}{gn_0\beta^2}$
$\tau_n/\tau_\pi$	1	5/6	5/6
$\beta_v$	$\frac{n_0}{12}$	$\frac{n_0}{20}$	$\frac{n_0}{20}$
$2\eta_0\lambda_{V\pi} + \kappa\lambda_{VV}$	$\frac{3n_0\tau_c}{20}$	$\frac{19d_gT^2}{5g}$	$\frac{57T^2}{5g}$
$\tau_{V\pi} + l_{V\pi}$	0	$\frac{\beta}{20}$	$\frac{\beta}{20}$
$l_{V\pi}$	0	$\frac{\beta}{20}$	$\frac{\beta}{40}$
$\delta_{VV}$	1	1	1
$\lambda_\omega$	-1	-1	-1

Table: Comparison of the ERTA coefficients with exact results from  $\lambda\phi^4$  theory for number diffusion coefficients.

## Transport coefficients in MHD

- In the non-resistive limit,  $E^\mu \rightarrow 0$  and  $F^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow B^{\mu\nu}$
- The Boltzmann equation in the presence of the external magnetic fields and using the extended relaxation time is given by:

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f - q B^{\sigma\nu} p_\nu \frac{\partial f}{\partial p^\sigma} = -\frac{u \cdot p}{\tau_R(x, p)} (f - f^*) \quad (18)$$

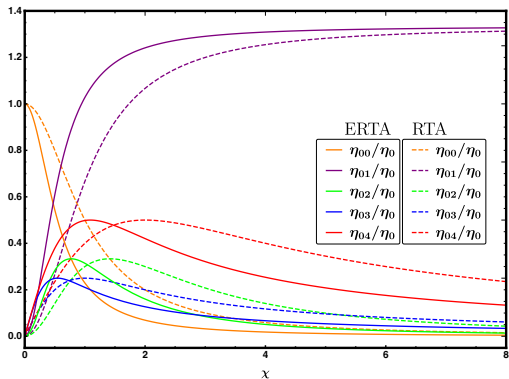
- Using the  $\delta f$  from above, the second order shear evolution equation is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\pi}^{\langle\mu\nu\rangle} + \frac{\pi^{\mu\nu}}{\tau_\pi} &= 2\beta_\pi \sigma^{\mu\nu} - \frac{4}{3} \pi^{\mu\nu} \theta + 2\pi_\gamma^{\langle\mu} \omega^{\nu\rangle\gamma} - \tau_{\pi\pi} \pi_\gamma^{\langle\mu} \sigma^{\nu\rangle\gamma} \\ &- \tau_{\pi n} n^{\langle\mu} \dot{u}^{\nu\rangle} + \lambda_{\pi n} n^{\langle\mu} \nabla^{\nu\rangle} \alpha + l_{\pi n} \nabla^{\langle\mu} n^{\nu\rangle} + \delta_{\pi B} \Delta_{\eta\beta}^{\mu\nu} q B b^{\gamma\eta} g^{\beta\rho} \pi_{\gamma\rho} \\ &- q B \tau_{\pi n B} \dot{u}^{\langle\mu} b^{\nu\rangle\sigma} n_\sigma - q B \lambda_{\pi n B} n_\sigma b^{\sigma\langle\mu} \nabla^{\nu\rangle} \alpha - q \tau_0 \delta_{\pi n B} \nabla^{\langle\mu} (B^{\nu\rangle\sigma} n_\sigma) \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

- With a finite magnetic field, the shear viscosity splits into five components:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^{\mu\nu} &= \left[ 2\eta_{00} (\Delta^{\mu\alpha} \Delta^{\nu\beta}) + \eta_{01} \left( \Delta^{\mu\nu} - \frac{3}{2} \Xi^{\mu\nu} \right) \left( \Delta^{\alpha\beta} - \frac{3}{2} \Xi^{\alpha\beta} \right) - 2\eta_{02} (\Xi^{\mu\alpha} b^\nu b^\beta) \right. \\ &\left. + \Xi^{\nu\alpha} b^\mu b^\beta - 2\eta_{03} (\Xi^{\mu\alpha} b^\nu b^\beta + \Xi^{\nu\alpha} b^\mu b^\beta) + 2\eta_{04} (b^{\mu\alpha} b^\nu b^\beta + b^{\nu\alpha} b^\mu b^\beta) \right] \sigma_{\alpha\beta}. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

# The Navier Stokes limit (comparison with RTA MHD results)



Where,  $\chi = \frac{qB\tau_0(x)}{T}$ .

As we see, the momentum dependence of the ERTA has a significant effect on the various shear viscosity coefficients even in the first order.

# Conclusion

- This study shows that there is a significant impact of momentum dependence of the relaxation time on the dynamics of the fluid in both with and without magnetic field.
- Incorporating these affects via the modified transport coefficients should lead to a more accurate simulation of the expanding fireball in heavy ion collisions.
- Further work can be done in recognizing the momentum dependence parameter  $\ell$  for various theories.
- The Magnetohydrodynamics of ERTA can be studied in the resistive case as an extension of this work.

Thank you!