

Foundation of Hydrodynamics
of Strongly Interacting Systems

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Hydrodynamical systems of interest

Hydrodynamics has applications in many areas of physics, for both finite and infinite systems.

We are interested in *finite* quantum systems:

e.g.

- An atomic nucleus as a liquid drop
- A droplet of Bose-Einstein condensate with interactions or a boundary
- An expanding quark-gluon plasma
- Others...

We are interested in finite systems in which particles obey quantum mechanics.

Quantum Mechanics & Hydrodynamics

Quantum mechanics and hydrodynamics have many elements in common:

- density field $n(r,t)$
- velocity field $u(r,t)$ or current $n(r,t)u(r,t)$
- equation of motion for $n(r,t)$
- Euler-type equations for $n(r,t)u(r,t)$

We would like to examine to what extent quantum mechanics may be part of the foundation for the hydrodynamics of finite quantum systems.

Quantum systems in a hydrodynamical description

Madelung(1926),Bohm,Takabayasi,...

Wong(J.Math.Phys.17,1008 (1976))

Wong(J.Math.Phys.51,122304(2010))

Single - particle Schrödinger equation in external field $V(r,t)$,

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(r,t) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi(r,t) + V(r,t) \psi(r,t)$$

Write $\psi(r,t) = \varphi(r,t) \exp \{iS(r,t) / \hbar - i\Omega(t)\}$,

$\varphi(r,t)$, $S(r,t)$, and $\Omega(t)$ are real functions.

Schrödinger equation can be written in hydrodynamical form:

$$\frac{\partial \varphi^2}{\partial t} + \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\varphi^2 \nabla_j S) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varphi^2 \nabla_i S) + \sum_{j=1}^3 \nabla_j (\varphi^2 \nabla_i S \nabla_j S / m + p_{ij}^{(q)}) = -\varphi^2 \nabla_i V$$

where $p_{ij}^{(q)}$ is the quantum stress tensor arising from quantum effects.

$$p_{ij}^{(q)} = -(\hbar^2 / 2m) \varphi \nabla_i \nabla_j \varphi + (\hbar^2 / 2m) \nabla_i \varphi \nabla_j \varphi$$

$$\text{or } p_{ij}^{(q)} = -(\hbar^2 / 4m) \nabla^2 \varphi^2 \delta_{ij} + (\hbar^2 / m) \nabla_i \varphi \nabla_j \varphi$$

$$\text{or } p_{ij}^{(q)} = +(\hbar^2 / 4m) \nabla^2 \varphi^2 \delta_{ij} - (\hbar^2 / m) \varphi \nabla_i \nabla_j \varphi$$

Derivation of Schrödinger equation in hydrodynamical form

$$i\hbar\partial_t\psi(r,t) = \frac{1}{2m}(-i\hbar\nabla)^2\psi(r,t) + V(r,t)\psi(r,t)$$

$\psi(r,t) = \varphi(r,t) \exp\{iS(r,t)/\hbar - i\Omega(t)\}$, φ , S , and Ω are real functions

We construct $\psi^* i\hbar\partial_t\psi + \psi i\hbar\partial_t\psi^*$, and we get

$$\varphi^2 (-2\partial_t S - 4\partial_t \Omega) = \frac{1}{2m} \left\{ -2[\varphi \nabla^2 \varphi - 2\varphi^2 (\nabla S)^2] + 2\varphi^2 V \right\}$$

Divide by φ^2 , take the gradient ∇_i , and multiple by φ^2 , we get

$$\partial_t[\varphi^2 \nabla_i S] + \sum_{j=1}^3 \nabla_j \left[\frac{\varphi^2}{m} \nabla_i S \nabla_j S \right] = -\frac{1}{2m} \varphi^2 \nabla_i \frac{\nabla^2 \varphi}{\varphi} - \varphi^2 \nabla_i V.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi^2 \nabla_i \frac{\nabla^2 \varphi}{\varphi} &= -(\nabla_i \varphi) \sum_j \nabla_j \nabla_j \varphi + \varphi \nabla_i \sum_j \nabla_j \nabla_j \varphi \\ &= -\sum_j \nabla_j \left\{ (\nabla_i \varphi)(\nabla_j \varphi) - (\nabla_j \nabla_i \varphi)(\nabla_j \varphi) \right\} + \sum_j \nabla_j \left\{ (\varphi \nabla_i \nabla_j \varphi) - (\nabla_j \varphi)(\nabla_j \nabla_i \varphi) \right\} \\ &= \sum_j \nabla_j \left\{ -(\nabla_i \varphi)(\nabla_j \varphi) + (\varphi \nabla_i \nabla_j \varphi) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

We define
$$p_{ij}^{(q)} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \varphi \nabla_i \nabla_j \varphi + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_i \varphi \nabla_j \varphi$$

then
$$\partial_t[\varphi^2 \nabla_i S] + \sum_{j=1}^3 \nabla_j [\varphi^2 \nabla_i S \nabla_j S / m + p_{ij}^{(q)}] = -\varphi^2 \nabla_i V.$$

Examples of quantum pressure

$$p_{ij}^{(q)} = -(\hbar^2 / 2m)\varphi \nabla_i \nabla_j \varphi + (\hbar^2 / 2m) \nabla_i \varphi \nabla_j \varphi$$

Example (1) Plain wave wavefunction,

$$\varphi(x) = A \cos(kx + B)$$

$$p_{xx}^{(q)} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} k^2 A^2 [\cos^2(kx + B) + \sin^2(kx + B)] = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} k^2 A^2,$$

- (i) the quantum pressure is spatially constant inside a flat well
- (ii) the quantum pressure is perpendicular to the direction of motion
- (iii) the quantum pressure increases with k^2

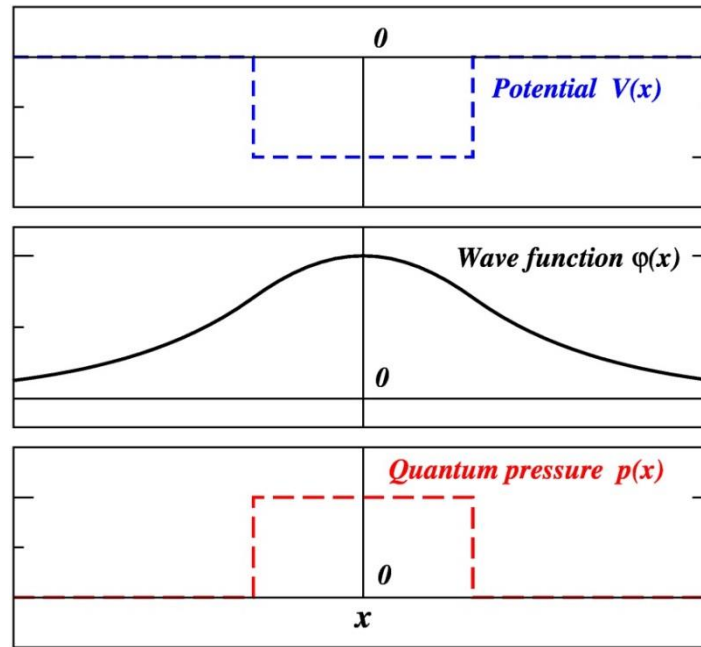
Example (2) Exponential wavefunction

$$\varphi(x) = A \exp\{-\kappa x\}$$

$$p_{xx}^{(q)} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \kappa^2 A^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \kappa^2 A^2 = 0$$

the quantum pressure is zero outside a flat potential well.

Example (3) A single particle in a square well potential



A droplet of Bose - Einstein condensate will have the above features. If the potential is suddenly removed, the quantum pressure will tend to explode the droplet.

Example (4) : A single particle in a harmonic oscillator

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2$$

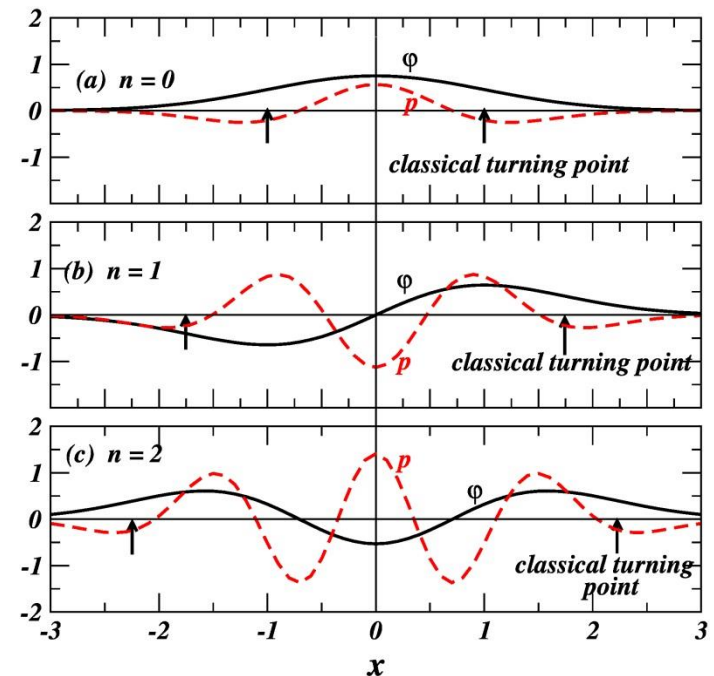
$$\varphi(x) = N_n \exp\{-\xi^2 / 2\} H_n(\xi), \quad \xi = (m\omega / \hbar)^{1/2} x$$

$$p_{xx} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \kappa^2 N_n \exp\{-\kappa^2 x^2 / 2\} \left\{ (2n+1 - \xi^2) H_n^2(\xi) - [\xi H_n(\xi) + 2n H_{n-1}(\xi)]^2 \right\}$$

$$m \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varphi^2 \nabla_i S) + \sum_j \nabla_j (m \varphi^2 \nabla_i S \nabla_j S + p_{ij}^{(q)}) = -\varphi^2 \nabla_i V$$

A hydrostatic equilibrium is attained, when the force due to the quantum pressure balances the external force $\nabla_x V$ acts on the density φ^2 :

$$\nabla_x p_{xx}^{(q)} = -\varphi^2(x) \nabla_x V(x)$$



Example (5):

A wavepacket without a boundary
or without an interaction will expand
due to the presence of quantum pressure.

Many-body system in mean-field description

In the time - dependent mean - field approximation, we describe the system by a set of single - particle states $\psi_\alpha(r, t)$ and occupation numbers $n_\alpha(t)$

$$(I) \quad i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_\alpha(r, t) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi_\alpha(r, t) + V(r, t) \psi_\alpha(r, t)$$

$$\text{where } V(r, t) = \int d^3r' \sum_\beta n_\beta(t) \psi_\beta(r_2, t) \psi_\beta^*(r_2, t) v(r, r_2),$$

$$(II) \quad \frac{\partial n_1(t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\pi}{\hbar} \sum_{234} \delta(\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_4)$$

$$\times [(1 \pm n_1)(1 \pm n_2)n_3n_4 - n_1n_2(1 \pm n_3)(1 \pm n_4)] |\langle 12 | v' | 34 \rangle|^2$$

+ sign for bosons

– sign for fermion

$v(r_1, r)$ is the two-body interaction, and $v'(r_1, r)$ is the residual interaction after taking into account the mean-field interactions.

Thermal equilibrium is reached when the gain and loss terms are equal.

The occupation number is then a Fermi-Dirac or a Bose-Einstein distribution characterised by a temperature.

Many-body system in mean-field description

Now consider the dynamical motions in which the time scale for the dynamical motion is much greater than the time scale for relaxation into the equilibrium value of n_α .

We can then assume the presence of thermal equilibrium and consider n_α to be given by the equilibrium occupation numbers.

The density field of the system is given by

$$n(r, t) = \sum_{\beta} n_{\beta}(t) \psi_{\beta}(r, t) \psi_{\beta}^*(r, t) = \sum_{\beta} n_{\beta}(t) |\varphi_{\beta}(r, t)|^2$$

The current field of the system is given by

$$n(r, t) u_i(r, t) = \sum_{\beta} n_{\beta}(t) |\varphi_{\beta}(r, t)|^2 \nabla_i S_{\beta}(r, t)$$

Many-body system in hydrodynamical description

Time-dependent mean-field theory leads to the hydrodynamical equation

$$\frac{\partial n(r,t)}{\partial t} + \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} n u_j = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} n u_i + \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} n u_i u_j = -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (p_{ij}^{(q)} + p_{ij}^{(t)} + p_{ij}^{(v)})$$

$$p_{ij}^{(q)} = -(\hbar^2 / 2m) \sum_{\beta} n_{\beta} \varphi_{\beta} \nabla_i \nabla_j \varphi_{\beta} + (\hbar^2 / 2m) \sum_{\beta} n_{\beta} \nabla_i \varphi_{\beta} \nabla_j \varphi_{\beta}$$

$$p_{ij}^{(t)} = -(\hbar^2 / 2m) \sum_{\beta} n_{\beta} \varphi_{\beta}^2 (\nabla_i S_{\beta} - u_i) (\nabla_j S_{\beta} - u_j)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} p_{ij}^{(v)}(r,t) = n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \int d^3 r_2 n(r_2,t) v(r,r_2) = n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\partial (W^{(v)} n)}{\partial n} \right)$$

$W^{(v)}$ = energy per particle arising from mean-field interaction

$$p_{ij}^{(v)} = n \frac{\partial (W^{(v)} n)}{\partial n} - W^{(v)} n$$

Many different sources of pressure in hydrodynamics

- Quantum stress tensor $p_{ij}^{(q)}$
- Thermal stress tensor $p_{ij}^{(t)}$, deviation of velocity fields of individual particles (occupied states) from the average velocity fields.
- Mean field interaction $p_{ij}^{(v)}$, that is nearly instantaneous, for a fluid element at rest.

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Example: Finite nucleus as a liquid drop

$$p_{ij}^{(q)} = \frac{\hbar^2}{5m} \left(\frac{6\pi^2}{4} \right)^{2/3} n^{5/3} \delta_{ij}$$

$$p_{ij}^{(t)} = \frac{\hbar^2}{5m} \left(\frac{6\pi^2}{4} \right)^{2/3} n^{5/3} \left[\frac{2mkT}{\hbar^2 m (6\pi^2 n / 4)^{2/3}} \right]^2 \delta_{ij}$$

$$p_{ij}^{(v)} = \frac{3}{8} (t_0 + \frac{1}{3} t_3 n) n^2 \delta_{ij}$$

e.g. SkyrmeI nucleon-nucleon interaction

$$v(\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j) = \left[t_0 + \frac{1}{6} t_3 n \left(\frac{\vec{r}_i + \vec{r}_j}{2} \right) \right] \delta(\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j)$$

$$t_0 = -1057 \text{ MeV/fm}^3 \text{ (two-body force)}$$

$$t_3 = +14463 \text{ MeV/fm}^6 \text{ (three-body force)}$$

A conclusion

Quantum mechanics is an important foundation for the hydrodynamics of an atomic nucleus as a liquid drop and other non-relativistic finite quantum systems.

Klein-Gordon equation as a wave mechanical equation (1)

Consider Klein - Gordon equation for a single - particle in an external scalar field $S(r,t)$,

$$\left[p_0^2 - \vec{p}^2 - \underbrace{(m + S(r,t))^2}_{M(r,t)} \right] \Psi = 0$$

We wish to cast the Klein - Gordon equation in hydrodynamical form.

Difficulty: the density field $n(r,t) = 2 \text{Im}(\Psi^* \partial_t \Psi)$ is not necessarily a positive quantity

Difficulty resolved by Dirac (Dirac equation),

Weiskopf and Pauli (introduction of field theory concepts)

Wave mechanical description [Feshbach- Villars (Rev. Mod. Phys 30, 24 (1958))]:

introduces particle and antiparticle components, with positive probability densities,
and \pm ve single - particle energies

Recent wave mechanical description [Wong (J. Math. Phys 51, 122304 (2010))]:

introduces particle and antiparticle components, with positive probability densities,
and only + ve single - particle energies

The wave mechanical description facilitates the transition to a hydrodynamical description.

Klein-Gordon equation as a wave mechanical equation (2)

We decompose wavefunction Ψ into two components in the usual way

$$\Psi = \psi_+ + \psi_-^*$$

We introduce Ψ_4 as $\Psi_4 = \psi_+ - \psi_-^*$

We introduce $E > 0$ as the positive solution of the quartic equation in E

$$\int d^3r \Psi^*(r,t) \left[E^2 + (i\hbar\partial_t E) - \vec{p}^2 - M^2(r) \right] \Psi^*(r,t) = 0$$

We can rewrite the Klein - Gordon equation as

$$i\hbar\partial_t \Psi = (E \Psi_4) \quad (\text{Feshbach \& Villar uses } m \text{ instead of } E)$$

$$i\hbar\partial_t (E \Psi_4) = [\vec{p}^2 + M^2(r,t)] \Psi$$

We construct ψ_+ and ψ_- components in terms of Ψ and Ψ_4

$$\psi_+ = \frac{1}{2}(\Psi + \Psi_4), \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_- = \frac{1}{2}(\Psi^* - \Psi_4^*),$$

The Klein - Gordon equation can be reduced into two coupled

Schrödinger equations for ψ_+ and ψ_- :

$$i\hbar\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2E} \left\{ [(-i\hbar\nabla)^2 + M^2(r,t) + [E^2 - i\hbar\partial_t E]] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} + [(-i\hbar\nabla)^2 + M^2(r,t) - [E^2 - i\hbar\partial_t E]] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_-^* \\ \psi_+^* \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Klein-Gordon equation as a wave mechanical equation (4)

In a more general case for a single - particle in an external scalar $S(r, t)$ and a vector potential $A(r, t) = (A_0, \vec{A})$, the Klein - Gordon equation is

$$\left[(i\hbar\partial_t - eA_0)^2 - (-i\hbar\nabla - e\vec{A})^2 - M^2 \right] \Psi = 0.$$

We consider the state of either a particle or antiparticle state with an definite n_ν number,

$$n_{\text{particle}} = n_\nu \equiv \int d^3r (\psi_+^* \psi_+ - \psi_-^* \psi_-)$$

$$n_{\text{particle}} = n_\nu = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{particle state with } \psi_+ \text{ dominant} \\ -1, & \text{particle state with } \psi_- \text{ dominant} \end{cases}$$

We introduce $E > 0$ as the positive solution of the quadratic equation in E

$$\int d^3r \Psi^*(r, t) \left[(E - e_\nu A_0)^2 + i\hbar\partial_t (E - e_\nu A_0) - (-i\hbar\nabla - e_\pm \vec{A})^2 - M^2 \right] \Psi^*(r, t) = 0$$

The coupled Schrodinger equation becomes [Wong(J.Math.Phys.51,122304(2010))]

$$(i\hbar\partial_t - e_\pm A_0) \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2(E - e_\nu A_0)} \left\{ [(-i\hbar\nabla - e_\pm \vec{A})^2 + M^2(r) + [(E - e_\nu A_0)^2 - i\hbar\partial_t (E - e_\nu A_0)] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} \right. \\ \left. + [(-i\hbar\nabla - e_\pm \vec{A})^2 + M^2(r) - [(E - e_\nu A_0)^2 - i\hbar\partial_t (E - e_\nu A_0)] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_-^* \\ \psi_+^* \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

where $e_\pm = \begin{cases} +e & \text{is for } \psi_+ \\ -e & \text{is for } \psi_- \end{cases}$ and $e_\nu = n_{\text{particle}} e = n_\nu e.$

Klein-Gordon equation in hydrodynamical form (1)

$$i\hbar\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2E} \left\{ [(-i\hbar\nabla)^2 + M^2(r,t) + [E^2 - i\hbar\partial_t E]] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} \right. \\ \left. + [(-i\hbar\nabla)^2 + M^2(r,t) - [E^2 - i\hbar\partial_t E]] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_-^* \\ \psi_+^* \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

We write $\psi_{\pm}(r,t) = \varphi_{\pm}(r,t) \exp \{ iS_{\pm}(r,t)/\hbar - i\Omega_{\pm}(t) \}$.

$\varphi_{\pm}(r,t)$, $S_{\pm}(r,t)$, and $\Omega_{\pm}(t)$ are real functions

We construct $\psi_{\pm}^* i\hbar\partial_t \psi_{\pm} - \psi_{\pm} i\hbar\partial_t \psi_{\pm}^*$, and we get

$$\partial_t [E\varphi_{\pm}^2] + \nabla \cdot [\varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla S_{\pm}] = X_{\pm} \\ 2X_{\pm} = \left\{ \psi_{\pm}^* (-i\hbar\nabla)^2 \psi_{\pm}^* - \psi_{\pm} (i\hbar\nabla)^2 \psi_{\pm} \right\} \\ + [M^2(r) + E^2] \left\{ \psi_{\pm}^* \psi_{\pm}^* - \psi_{\pm} \psi_{\pm} \right\} \\ + [i\hbar\partial_t E] \left\{ \psi_{\pm}^* \psi_{\pm}^* + \psi_{\pm} \psi_{\pm} \right\}$$

Remark (1): the currents of the two components are not separately conserved due to the production of particle - antiparticle pairs

Klein-Gordon equation in hydrodynamical form (2)

Remarks (2): There is a conservation of the net particle number n_{particle}

$$\partial_t [E\varphi_{\pm}^2] + \nabla \cdot [\varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla S_{\pm}] = X_{\pm}$$

$$\partial_t [E\varphi_+^2] + \nabla \cdot [\varphi_+^2 \nabla S_+] - \partial_t [E\varphi_-^2] + \nabla \cdot [\varphi_-^2 \nabla S_-] = X_+ - X_-$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t [E(\varphi_+^2 - \varphi_-^2)] + \nabla \cdot [\varphi_+^2 \nabla S_+ - \varphi_-^2 \nabla S_-] &= X_+ - X_- \\ &= -\nabla \cdot [(\psi_+^* \nabla \psi_-^* - \psi_-^* \nabla \psi_+^*)] + \nabla \cdot (\psi_+ \nabla \psi_- - \psi_- \nabla \psi_+) \end{aligned}$$

$X_+ - X_-$ is a complete divergence

$$\therefore n_{\text{particle}} = \int d^3r \frac{E}{m} (\varphi_+^2 - \varphi_-^2) \text{ is conserved.}$$

We can normalize the single - particle state as

$$n_{\text{particle}} = \int d^3r \frac{E}{m} (\varphi_+^2 - \varphi_-^2) = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{particle state with } \varphi_+ \text{ dominant} \\ -1, & \text{particle state with } \varphi_- \text{ dominant} \end{cases}$$

Klein-Gordon equation in hydrodynamical form (3)

Remark (3): In the equation of continuity

$$\partial_t [E\varphi_{\pm}^2] + \nabla \cdot [\varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla S_{\pm}] = X_{\pm},$$

quantity X_{\pm} contain terms of the type

$$\psi_{\pm}^* \nabla \psi_{\pm}^*, \quad \psi_{\pm} \nabla \psi_{\pm}, \quad \psi_{\pm}^* \psi_{\pm}^* \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_{\pm} \psi_{\pm}.$$

which leads to the couplings between ψ_{+} and ψ_{-} .

But $\psi_{\pm}(r, t) = \varphi_{\pm}(r, t) \exp \{iS_{\pm}(r, t)/\hbar - i\Omega_{\pm}(t)\}$.

these terms have the time factor $e^{\pm 2i\Omega(t)}$, representing zitterbewegung motion of frequency greater than $2m/\hbar$.

Zitterbewegung motion leads to pair production, but the time average of these $e^{\pm 2i\Omega(t)}$ contributions over a longer period of time gives

$$\left\langle \psi_{\pm}^* \psi_{\pm}^* + \psi_{\pm} \psi_{\pm} \right\rangle_T = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt (\psi_{\pm}^* \psi_{\pm}^* + \psi_{\pm} \psi_{\pm}) \propto \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt (e^{2i\Omega(t)} + e^{-2i\Omega(t)}) \sim \frac{1}{2mT}$$

If dynamical time scale $T \gg \frac{1}{2m}$, then $\frac{1}{2mT} \ll 1$ and terms of the type

$$\psi_{\pm}^* \nabla \psi_{\pm}^*, \quad \psi_{\pm} \nabla \psi_{\pm}, \quad \psi_{\pm}^* \psi_{\pm}^* \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_{\pm} \psi_{\pm}$$

becomes negligible when averaged over the time period T .

Klein-Gordon equation in hydrodynamical form (4)

$$i\hbar\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2E} \left\{ [(-i\hbar\nabla)^2 + M^2(r,t) + [E^2 - i\hbar\partial_t E]] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} \right. \\ \left. + [(-i\hbar\nabla)^2 + M^2(r,t) - [E^2 - i\hbar\partial_t E]] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_-^* \\ \psi_+^* \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

We write $\psi_{\pm}(r,t) = \varphi_{\pm}(r,t) \exp\{iS_{\pm}(r,t)/\hbar - i\Omega_{\pm}(t)\}$.

We construct $\psi_{\pm}^* i\hbar\partial_t \psi_{\pm} + \psi_{\pm} i\hbar\partial_t \psi_{\pm}^*$, and we get

$$\varphi_{\pm}^2 (-2\partial_t S_{\pm} - 4\partial_t \Omega_{\pm}) \\ = \frac{1}{2E} \left\{ -2[\varphi_{\pm} \nabla^2 \varphi_{\pm} - 2\varphi_{\pm}^2 (\nabla S_{\pm})^2] + [M^2(r,t) + E^2] 2\varphi_{\pm}^2 \right. \\ \left. + \psi_{\pm}^* (-i\hbar\nabla)^2 \psi_{\pm}^* + \psi_{\pm} (i\hbar\nabla)^2 \psi_{\pm} + [M^2(r,t) - E^2][\psi_{\pm}^* \psi_{\pm}^* + \psi_{\pm} \psi_{\pm}] \right. \\ \left. + [i\hbar\partial_t E][\psi_{\pm}^* \psi_{\pm}^* - \psi_{\pm} \psi_{\pm}] \right\}$$

The last four terms involve

$$\psi_{\pm}^* \nabla^2 \psi_{\pm}^*, \psi_{\pm} \nabla^2 \psi_{\pm}, \psi_{\pm}^* \psi_{\pm}^*, \psi_{\pm} \psi_{\pm}$$

and represent zitterbewegung motion and pair production

Klein-Gordon equation in hydrodynamical form (5)

For a moderately slowly varying mean - field (such as in the expansion phase of a hot system after a nuclear collision), the contributions from pair - production and zittersbewegung motion averaged over the time scale for mean - field motion are small.

Klein-Gordon equation in hydrodynamical form (6)

We shall assume that the hydrodynamical - type motion has time scale T much greater than $\frac{1}{2m}$.

In that case, we can neglect pair production and zitterbewegung motion. That is, we can ignore terms of

$$\psi_{\pm}^* \nabla^2 \psi_{\pm}^*, \quad \psi_{\pm} \nabla^2 \psi_{\pm}, \quad \psi_{\pm}^* \psi_{\pm}^* \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_{\pm} \psi_{\pm}.$$

We get uncoupled equations of motion for two kinds of particles

Klein-Gordon equation in hydrodynamical form (4)

We write $\psi_{\pm}(r, t) = \varphi_{\pm}(r, t) \exp \{iS_{\pm}(r, t) / \hbar - i\Omega_{\pm}(t)\}$.

It is then reasonable to neglect the zittersbewegung terms and get

$$\begin{aligned} & \varphi_{\pm}^2 (-2\partial_t S_{\pm} - 4\partial_t \Omega_{\pm}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2E} \left\{ -2[\varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla^2 \varphi_{\pm} - 2\varphi_{\pm}^2 (\nabla S_{\pm})^2] + [M^2(r, t) + E^2] 2\varphi_{\pm}^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Divide by φ_{\pm}^2 and take the gradient ∇_i . We get the equation

$$\partial_t [E \varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla_i S_{\pm}] + \sum_{j=1}^3 \nabla_j \varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla_i S_{\pm} \nabla_j S_{\pm} = -\frac{1}{2} \varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla_i \frac{\nabla^2 \varphi_{\pm}}{\varphi_{\pm}} - \varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla_i \frac{M^2(r, t)}{2}.$$

We show previously

$$-\frac{1}{2} \varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla_i \frac{\nabla^2 \varphi_{\pm}}{\varphi_{\pm}} = -m \sum_j p_{ij}^{(q)}$$

where

$$p_{ij}^{(q)} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \varphi \nabla_i \nabla_j \varphi + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_i \varphi \nabla_j \varphi.$$

The Euler equation from Klein - Gordonequation in the no - zitter approximation is

$$\partial_t [E \varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla_i S_{\pm}] + \sum_{j=1}^3 \nabla_j [\varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla_i S_{\pm} \nabla_j S_{\pm} + m p_{ij}^{(q)}] = -\varphi_{\pm}^2 \nabla_i \frac{M^2(r)}{2}$$

Many-body system in mean-field description

For a system of particles interacting in the time-dependent mean-field approximation, we describe the system by a set of single-particle states

$\psi_{\alpha\pm}(r, t)$ and occupation numbers $n_{\alpha\pm}(t)$.

Equations governing $\psi_{\alpha\pm}$ and $n_{\alpha\pm}$ are

$$(I) \quad i\hbar\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\alpha+} \\ \psi_{\alpha-} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2E_{\alpha\pm}} \left\{ [(-i\hbar\nabla)^2 + M^2(r, t) + [E_{\alpha\pm}^2 - i\hbar\partial_t E_{\alpha\pm}]] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\alpha+} \\ \psi_{\alpha-} \end{pmatrix} \right. \\ \left. + [(-i\hbar\nabla)^2 + M^2(r, t) - [E_{\alpha\pm}^2 - i\hbar\partial_t E_{\alpha\pm}]] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\alpha-}^* \\ \psi_{\alpha+}^* \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

where

$$M(r, t) = m + S(r, t),$$

$$S(r, t) = \int d^3r' \sum_{\beta\pm} n_{\beta\pm}(t) \psi_{\beta\pm}(r_2, t) \psi_{\beta\pm}^*(r_2, t) v(r, r_2),$$

$$(II) \quad \frac{\partial n_1(t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\pi}{\hbar} \sum_{234} \delta(\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 - \varepsilon_3 - \varepsilon_4) [(1 \pm n_1)(1 \pm n_2)n_3n_4 - n_1n_2(1 \pm n_3)(1 \pm n_4)] |\langle 12 | v' | 34 \rangle|^2$$

+ sign for bosons, - sign for fermion

Many-body system in mean-field description (2)

(I) We consider dynamical motion whose time scale is long compared to $\hbar/2m$, we can then make the no-pair and no-zitter approximation. This amounts

to neglecting the $\begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\alpha-}^* \\ \psi_{\alpha+}^* \end{pmatrix}$ term in the explicit coupling between particles and antiparticles.

(II) We consider dynamical motion whose time scale is long compared to the relaxation of the single-particle occupation numbers, we can then make the thermal equilibrium approximation to consider $n_{\alpha\pm}$ to be given by the equilibrium occupation numbers.

Many-body system in mean-field description (2)

Then each single - particle states satisfies

$$\partial_t [E_{\alpha\pm} \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2] + \nabla \cdot [\varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 \nabla S_{\alpha\pm}] \approx 0$$

$$\partial_t [E_{\alpha\pm} \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 \nabla_i S_{\alpha\pm}] + \sum_{j=1}^3 \nabla_j [\varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 \nabla_i S_{\alpha\pm} \nabla_j S_{\alpha\pm} + p_{ij}^{(q)}] = -\varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 \nabla_i \frac{M^2(r,t)}{2}$$

Including the occupation numbers degrees of freedom

$$\partial_t \sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha\pm} E_{\alpha\pm} \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 + \nabla \cdot \sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha\pm} \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 \nabla S_{\alpha\pm} = 0$$

$$\partial_t \sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha\pm} E_{\alpha\pm} \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 \nabla_i S_{\alpha\pm} + \sum_{j=1}^3 \nabla_j \sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha\pm} \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 \nabla_i S_{\alpha\pm} \nabla_j S_{\alpha\pm} + p_{ij}^{(q)}] = -\sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha\pm} \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 \nabla_i \frac{M^2(r,t)}{2}$$

Many-body system in mean-field description (2)

The define $\varepsilon_{\pm}(r,t) = \sum_{\alpha\pm} n_{\alpha\pm}(t) m \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2(r,t)$

$$\varepsilon_{\pm}(r,t) u_{\pm}^0(r,t) = \sum_{\alpha\pm} n_{\alpha\pm}(t) m \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2(r,t) \frac{E_{\alpha\pm}(r,t)}{m}$$

$$\varepsilon_{\pm}(r,t) u_{\pm}^i(r,t) = \sum_{\alpha\pm} n_{\alpha\pm}(t) m \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2(r,t) \frac{\nabla_i S_{\alpha\pm}(r,t)}{m}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

\therefore We have $\sum_{\alpha\pm} n_{\alpha\pm}(t) \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 \nabla_i S_{\alpha\pm} \nabla_j S_{\alpha\pm} = \varepsilon_{\pm}(r,t) u^i(r,t) u^j(r,t) + p_{ij}^{(t)}$

$$p_{ij}^{(t)} = \sum_{\alpha\pm} n_{\alpha\pm}(t) \varphi_{\alpha\pm}^2 (\nabla_i S_{\alpha\pm} - m u^i) (\nabla_j S_{\alpha\pm} - m u^j)$$

Equation of motion for the many-body system is

$$\frac{\partial \varepsilon_{\pm} u_{\pm}^0}{\partial t} + \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{\pm} u_{\pm}^j}{\partial x_j} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \varepsilon_{\pm} u_{\pm}^i}{\partial t} + \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial (\varepsilon_{\pm} u_{\pm}^i u_{\pm}^j)}{\partial x_j} + \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (p_{ij}^{(q)} + p_{ij}^{(t)}) = -n \nabla_i \frac{M^2(r,t)}{2}$$

Sources of pressure can arise from many sources

- Quantum stress tensor $p_{ij}^{(q)}$
- Thermal stress tensor $p_{ij}^{(t)}$, deviation of velocity fields of individual particles from the average velocity fields.
- Mean field interaction $p_{ij}^{(v)}$, that is nearly instantaneous, for a fluid element at rest.

Dirac equation can be reduced into a Klein-Gordon type equation

For a scalar external interaction, Dirac equation

$$\{i\partial - M(r)\}\psi = 0$$

Multiply by $\{i\partial + M(r)\}$, the Dirac equation becomes

$$\{(i\partial)^2 - M^2(r) - [i\partial M(r)]\}\psi = 0$$

The Dirac equation can be reduced into a Klein - Gordon equation. with additional terms.

Following the same procedure as for the Klein - Gordon equation, the Dirac equation can be reduced into two Schrödinger equations for ψ_+ and ψ_- and can be cast in a hydrodynamical form for the particle fluid and the antiparticle fluid.

Conclusions

Quantum mechanics and hydrodynamics have many elements in common:

- density field $n(r,t)$
- velocity field $u(r,t)$
- equation of continuity for $n(r,t)$ and $u(r,t)$
- Euler-type equations for $n(r,t)u(r,t)$

Quantum mechanics may be an important part of the foundation for hydrodynamics of finite quantum systems with strong interactions or a boundary.

Challenges

- Relativistic viscous hydrodynamics
- Questions on the degree of thermalization
- Treatment of coupling between particles and antiparticles
- Effects of zitterbewegung on thermalization and on hydrodynamical motion