
Semi-holography for heavy ion collisions

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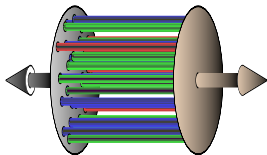


direct QCD approach to heavy ion collisions

glasma picture

$$f \sim 1/\alpha_s, \alpha_s(Q_s) \ll 1$$

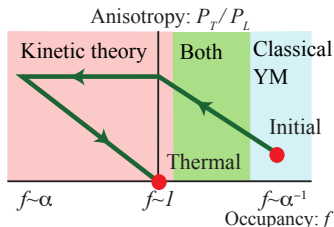
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kinetic theory

takes over around $f \sim 1$

A. Kurkela, *QM 2015* arXiv:1601.03283

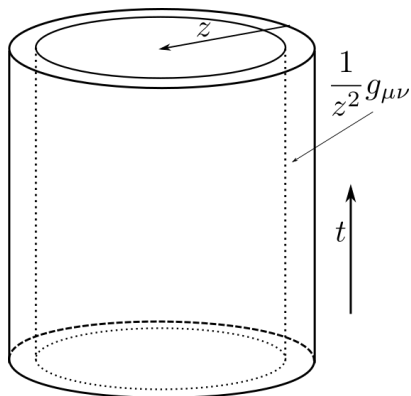


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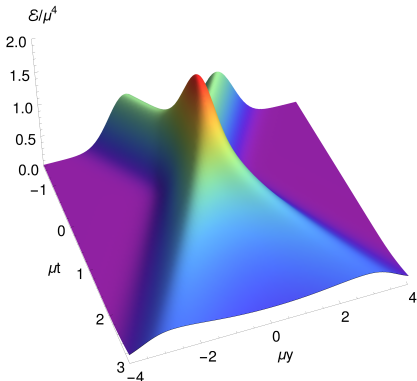
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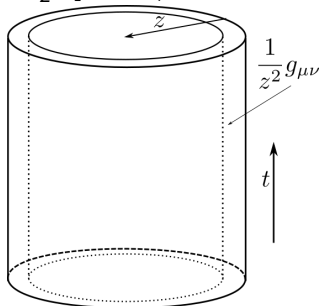
C. Ecker using a notebook by W.v.d. Schee
(<https://sites.google.com/site/wilkevanderschee/phd-thesis>)



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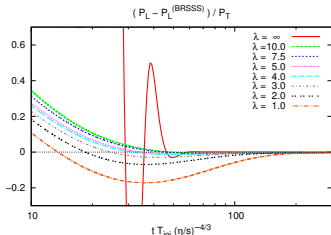


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semi-holographic approach to heavy ion collisions

the gravitational dual encodes the RG flow

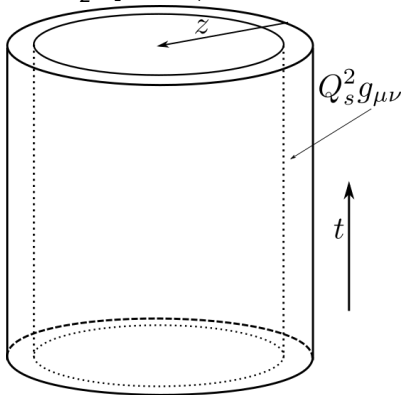
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$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{2\pi^2}{N_c^2 Q_s^4} t_{\mu\nu}^{UV} + \dots$$

For the coarse grained $t_{\mu\nu}$ at the scale $z = Q_s^{-1}$

$$\nabla^\mu t_{\mu\nu}^{Q_s} = 0$$



semi-holographic approach to heavy ion collisions

semi-holographic proposal

E. Iancu, A. Mukhopadhyay, *JHEP* 1506 (2015) 003

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solve gravity dual with boundary conditions (sources) at $z = 0$ deformed by gauge invariant operators (glasma)

$$\begin{aligned}\phi^{(b)} &= \frac{\beta}{4N_c Q_s^4} \text{Tr} (F_{\sigma\tau} F^{\sigma\tau}) & \chi^{(b)} &= \frac{\alpha}{4N_c Q_s^4} \text{Tr} (F_{\sigma\tau} \tilde{F}^{\sigma\tau}) \\ g_{\mu\nu}^{(b)} &= \eta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\gamma}{Q_s^4} \left[\frac{1}{N_c} \text{Tr} \left(F_{\mu\alpha} F_\nu^\alpha - \frac{1}{4} \eta_{\mu\nu} F_{\sigma\tau} F^{\sigma\tau} \right) \right]\end{aligned}$$

solve the UV theory deformed by marginal operators obtained from the gravity dual

$$S = -\frac{1}{4N_c} \int \text{Tr} (F_{\sigma\tau} F^{\sigma\tau}) + W_{\text{CFT}} [g_{\mu\nu}^{(b)}, \phi^{(b)}, \chi^{(b)}]$$

semi-holographic approach to HICs

equations of motion and conserved energy momentum tensor

$$D_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = \frac{\gamma}{Q_s^4} D_\mu \left(\hat{T}^{\mu\alpha} F_\alpha^\nu - \hat{T}^{\nu\alpha} F_\alpha^\mu - \frac{1}{2} \hat{T}^{\alpha\beta} \eta_{\alpha\beta} F^{\mu\nu} \right) + \frac{\beta}{Q_s^4} D_\mu \left(\hat{\mathcal{H}} F^{\mu\nu} \right) + \frac{\alpha}{Q_s^4} \left(\partial_\mu \hat{\mathcal{A}} \right) \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$$

$$T^{\mu\nu} = t^{\mu\nu} + \hat{T}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\gamma}{Q_s^4 N_c} \hat{T}^{\alpha\beta} \left[\text{Tr}(F_\alpha^\mu F_\beta^\nu) - \frac{1}{2} \eta_{\alpha\beta} \text{Tr}(F^{\mu\rho} F_\rho^\nu) + \frac{1}{4} \delta_{(\alpha}^\mu \delta_{\beta)}^\nu \text{Tr}(F^2) \right] - \frac{\beta}{Q_s^4 N_c} \hat{\mathcal{H}} \text{Tr}(F^{\mu\alpha} F_\alpha^\nu) - \frac{\alpha}{Q_s^4 N_c} \eta^{\mu\nu} \hat{\mathcal{A}} \text{Tr}(F_{\sigma\tau} \tilde{F}^{\sigma\tau}).$$

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

on shell and by the gravitational Ward identities.

Lets get familiar with the model

Simple toy example

Setup

homogeneity, isotropy, $\alpha = \beta = 0$, $N_c = 2$, $A_0^a = 0$, $A_i^a = \delta_i^a f(t)$

$\Rightarrow g_{\mu\nu}^{(b)} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\gamma}{Q_s^4} t_{\mu\nu}$ is conformally flat, $p(t) = 1/3\epsilon(t) = 1/2[f'(t)^2 + f(t)^4]$

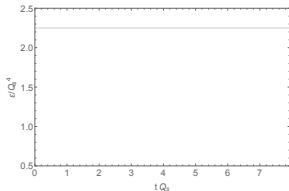
\Rightarrow the bulk metric is diffeomorphic to AdS-Schwarzschild with mass c

$$f''(t) + 2 \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\gamma}{Q_s^4} (\hat{\mathcal{E}} + \hat{\mathcal{P}})}{1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\gamma}{Q_s^4} (\hat{\mathcal{E}} + \hat{\mathcal{P}})} f(t)^3 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\gamma}{Q_s^4} \frac{(\hat{\mathcal{E}} + \hat{\mathcal{P}})'}{1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\gamma}{Q_s^4} (\hat{\mathcal{E}} + \hat{\mathcal{P}})} f'(t) = 0$$
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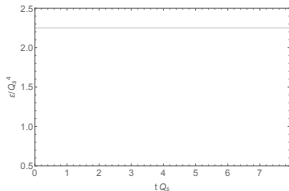
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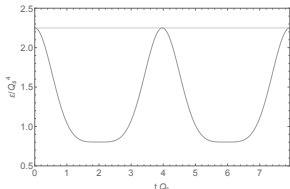
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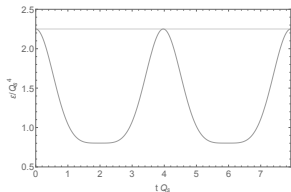
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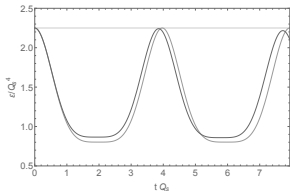
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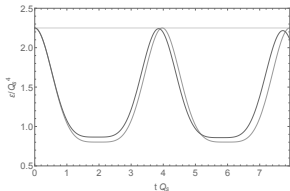
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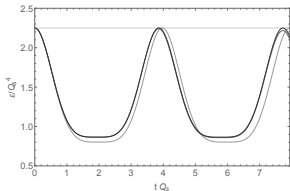
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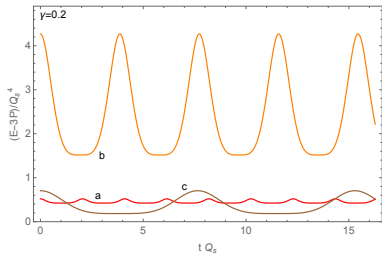
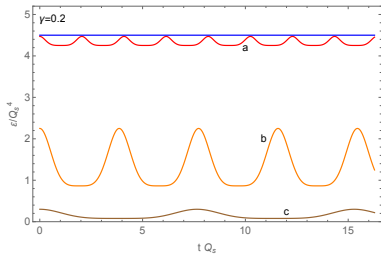
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Results



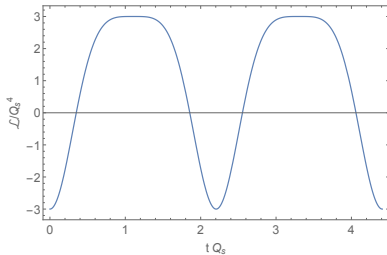
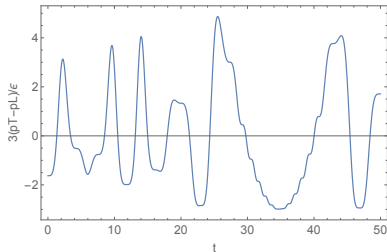
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Outlook

study isotropization/thermalization by including anisotropy or the dilaton

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for late times replace glasma by kinetic theory

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