

# Shear and bulk relaxation times from Kubo formulas

Alina Czajka

in collaboration with Sangyong Jeon

based on: Phys. Rev. C95 (2017) no. 6, 064906



# Transport coefficients

**The question: how are the shear and bulk relaxation times related to microscopic quantities?**

- ✓ Relativistic fluid dynamics describes very well the evolution of matter produced in heavy ion collisions after it achieves approximate local thermal equilibrium
- ✓ Hydrodynamics - macroscopic description of a system; transport coefficients - parameters
- ✓ Transport coefficients have to be obtained from the respective microscopic theory

- **Kinetic theory:** solving Boltzmann equation

*Jeon, Yaffe: PRD 53 (1996) 5799*

*Arnold, Moore, Yaffe: JHEP 0011 (2000) 001, JHEP 0301 (2003) 030, JHEP 0305 (2003) 051, York, Moore: PRD 79 (2009) 054011*

methods of moments

*Denicol et al: PRL 105 (2010) 162501, EPJA 48 (2012) 170, PRD 85 (2012) 114047, PRC 90 (2014) 024912*

- **Quantum field theory:** Kubo relations

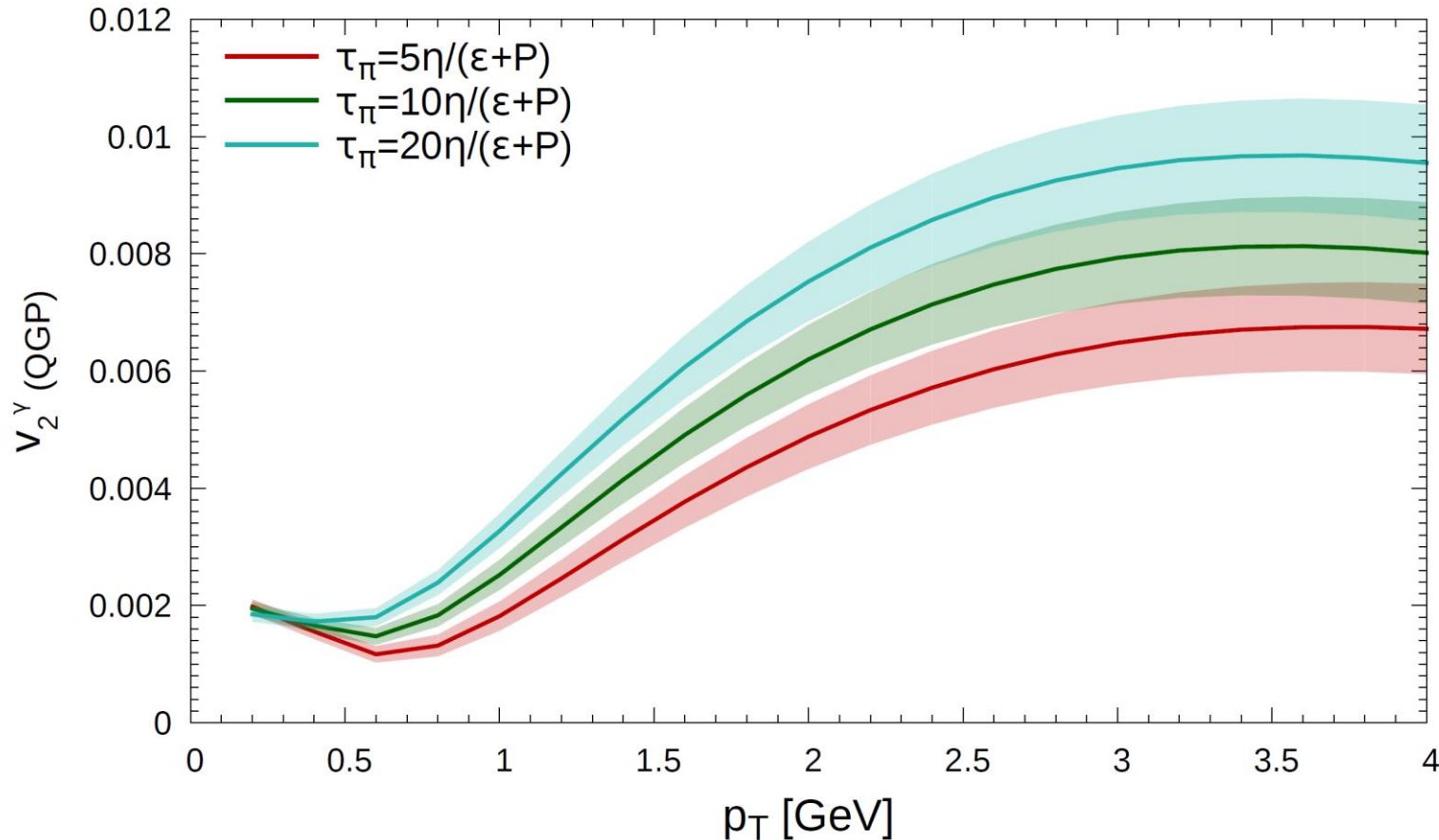
*Jeon: PRD 52 (1995) 3591*

*Moore, Sohrabi: PRL 106 (2011) 122302, JHEP 1211 (2012) 148*

**Many analyses done for shear and bulk viscosities**

# Role of shear relaxation time

Vujanovic et al: PRC 94 (2016) no.1 014904



shear relaxation time  
assumed to be of the form

$$\tau_\pi = b_\pi \frac{\eta}{\epsilon + P}$$

$$b_\pi = 5, 10, 20$$

Is this factor somehow constrained?

**Shear relaxation time has significant impact on the differential elliptic flow of thermal photons emitted by the QGP**

# Outline

- Hydrodynamic equations
- Method on how to find relaxation times within QFT framework
  - parametrization of response functions for transverse and longitudinal fluctuations
  - Kubo formulas for the shear and bulk relaxation times
- Application of the method
  - calculation of shear relaxation time within the real-time formalism

# Relativistic viscous hydrodynamics

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

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu - \Delta^{\mu\nu} (P + \Pi) + \pi^{\mu\nu}$$

$\epsilon$  - energy density

$P$  - pressure

$u^\mu$  - four-velocity

**viscous corrections:**

$\Pi$  - bulk pressure       $\pi^{\mu\nu}$  - stress tensor

**First-order (Navier-Stokes) hydrodynamics** (in the local rest frame)

$$\Pi_{\text{NS}} = -\gamma \partial_i T^{i0}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{\zeta}{\epsilon + P} \quad \zeta - \text{bulk viscosity}$$

$$\pi_{\text{NS}}^{ij} = D_T \left( \partial^i T^{j0} + \partial^j T^{i0} - \frac{2}{3} g^{ij} \partial_k T^{k0} \right)$$

$$D_T = \frac{\eta}{\epsilon + P} \quad \eta - \text{shear viscosity}$$

**Second-order (Israel-Stewart) hydrodynamics** (in the local rest frame)

$$\partial_t \Pi = - \frac{\Pi - \Pi_{\text{NS}}}{\tau_\Pi}$$

$\tau_\Pi$  - bulk relaxation time

$$\partial_t \pi^{ij} = - \frac{\pi^{ij} - \pi_{\text{NS}}^{ij}}{\tau_\pi}$$

$\tau_\pi$  - shear relaxation time

# Hydrodynamic modes

no other currents coupled to  
the energy-momentum tensor



two hydrodynamic modes

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad + \quad \begin{aligned} \partial_t \Pi &= -\frac{\Pi - \Pi_{\text{NS}}}{\tau_\Pi} \\ \partial_t \pi^{ij} &= -\frac{\pi^{ij} - \pi_{\text{NS}}^{ij}}{\tau_\pi} \end{aligned}$$



**shear mode:**  $0 = -\omega^2 \tau_\pi - i\omega + D_T \mathbf{k}^2$

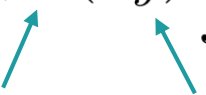
**sound mode:**  $0 = -\omega^2 + v_s^2 \mathbf{k}^2 + i\omega(\tau_\pi + \tau_\Pi) - i \left( \frac{4D_T}{3} + \gamma + v_s^2(\tau_\pi + \tau_\Pi) \right) \omega \mathbf{k}^2$   
 $+ \tau_\pi \tau_\Pi \omega^4 - \left( \tau_\pi \tau_\Pi v_s^2 + \tau_\Pi \frac{4D_T}{3} + \tau_\pi \gamma \right) \omega^2 \mathbf{k}^2 + \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{k}^4)$

# Linear response theory

**Viscous hydrodynamics is a perfect realization of the linear response theory**

deviation of a given observable from equilibrium  $\longrightarrow$  equilibrium retarded response function

Linear response to transverse fluctuations:

$$\delta\langle\hat{T}^{x0}(t, k_y)\rangle = \beta_x(k_y) \int dt' \bar{G}_R^{x0, x0}(t - t', k_y) \theta(-t') e^{\varepsilon t'}$$


direction of the fluid velocity

direction of the momentum diffusion

Linear response to longitudinal fluctuations:

$$\delta\langle\hat{T}^{00}(t, \mathbf{k})\rangle = \beta_0(\mathbf{k}) \int dt' \bar{G}_R^{00, 00}(t - t', \mathbf{k}) \theta(-t') e^{\varepsilon t'}$$

# Gravitational Ward identity

conservation of the energy-momentum current in terms of the correlation function

$$k_\alpha (\bar{G}^{\alpha\beta, \mu\nu}(k) - g^{\beta\mu} \langle \hat{T}^{\alpha\nu} \rangle - g^{\beta\nu} \langle \hat{T}^{\alpha\mu} \rangle + g^{\alpha\beta} \langle \hat{T}^{\mu\nu} \rangle) = 0$$

(Deser, Boulware, *J. Math. Phys.* 8 (1967) 1468)

- Stress-energy tensor represents the conservation laws and the generators of the space-time evolution
- Ward identity introduces constraints on the stress-energy response functions

## stress-energy retarded correlation function

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{G}_R^{ij, mn}(x, y) = & -\delta^{(4)}(x - y) (\delta^{jm} \langle \hat{T}^{in}(y) \rangle + \delta^{jn} \langle \hat{T}^{im}(y) \rangle - \delta^{ij} \langle \hat{T}^{mn}(y) \rangle) \\ & -i\theta(x_0 - y_0) \langle [\hat{T}^{ij}(x), \hat{T}^{mn}(y)] \rangle \end{aligned}$$



# Parametrization of the transverse fluctuation response function

## 1. Consequences of Ward identity

$$\bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_y) + P = \frac{\omega^2}{k_y^2} (\bar{G}_R^{x0,x0}(\omega, k_y) + \epsilon)$$

## 2. Hydrodynamic limits

$$\omega \rightarrow 0 \quad \bar{G}^{x0,x0}(0, k_y) = g_T(k_y) \quad \text{well defined limit}$$

$$k_y \rightarrow 0 \quad \bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_y) + P = \frac{\omega^2}{k_y^2} (\epsilon + g_T(k_y)) \quad \text{behaves well in the limit}$$

## 3. General properties of the retarded Green function

$$\text{Re } G_R(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \text{Re } G_R(-\omega, \mathbf{k}) \quad \text{Im } G_R(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = -\text{Im } G_R(-\omega, \mathbf{k})$$

# Parametrization of the transverse fluctuation response function

**Most general form of the response function:**

$$\bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_y) = \frac{\omega^2(\epsilon + g_T(k_y) + i\omega A(\omega, k_y))}{k_y^2 - \frac{i\omega}{D(\omega, k_y)} - \omega^2 B(\omega, k_y)} - P$$

All functions  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $D$  have the forms:  $A(\omega, k_y) = A_R(\omega, k_y) - i\omega A_I(\omega, k_y)$

All components are real-valued even functions of  $\omega$  and  $k_y$

$B_R$  and  $D_R$  have non-zero limits when  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ ,  $k_y \rightarrow 0$

All other parts of  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $D$  have finite limits when  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ ,  $k_y \rightarrow 0$

**Only small frequency and wavevector limits of the correlation function are important**

# Kubo formula for shear relaxation time

pole structure of  $\bar{G}_R^{xy,xy} \longleftrightarrow$  dispersion relation of the shear mode

$$\eta = \lim_{\omega, k_y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\omega} \text{Im} \bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_y)$$

$$\underbrace{\eta\tau_\pi - (\epsilon + P) \left[ D_I(0,0) + \eta A_R(0,0) \right]}_{\kappa/2} = -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{\omega, k_y \rightarrow 0} \partial_\omega^2 \text{Re} \bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_y)$$

from metric perturbation analysis:

(Moore, Sohrabi: PRL 106 (2011) 122302)

$$\kappa = - \lim_{k_z, \omega \rightarrow 0} \partial_{k_z}^2 \text{Re} \bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_z)$$

$$\eta\tau_\pi - \frac{\kappa}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{\omega, k_z \rightarrow 0} \partial_\omega^2 \text{Re} \bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_z)$$

$\bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_z)$  and  $\bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_y)$  have different momentum dependence

but their small frequency and *vanishing* momentum limits should be consistent with each other

# Kubo formulas related to the shear flow

$$\eta = \lim_{\omega, k_y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\omega} \text{Im} \bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_y)$$
$$\eta\tau_\pi - \frac{\kappa}{2} = -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{\omega, k_y \rightarrow 0} \partial_\omega^2 \text{Re} \bar{G}_R^{xy,xy}(\omega, k_y)$$

$\eta$  and  $\tau_\pi$  related to the mean free path  
(dynamical quantities)

$\kappa = \mathcal{O}(T^2)$   
(thermodynamical quantity)

*Moore, Sohrabi: JHEP 1211 (2012) 148*  
*Romatschke, Son: PRD 80 (2009) 065021*

**Shear relaxation time can be extracted when both formulas are evaluated**

# Parametrization of the longitudinal fluctuation response function

The same steps of parametrization: Ward identity, well-behaved hydrodynamic limits and general properties of a Green function

**Most general form of the function:**

$$\bar{G}_L(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{\omega^2(\epsilon + P + \omega^2 Q(\omega, \mathbf{k}))}{\mathbf{k}^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{Z(\omega, \mathbf{k})} + i\omega^3 R(\omega, \mathbf{k})}$$

All functions  $Q$ ,  $Z$ , and  $R$  have the forms:  $Q(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = Q_R(\omega, \mathbf{k}) - i\omega Q_I(\omega, \mathbf{k})$

All components are real-valued even functions of  $\omega$  and  $\mathbf{k}$

$Z_R$  and  $R_R$  have non-zero limits when  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\mathbf{k} \rightarrow 0$

All other parts of  $Q$ ,  $R$ , and  $Z$  have finite limits when  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\mathbf{k} \rightarrow 0$

**Only small frequency and wavevector limits of the correlation function are important**

# Kubo formulas related to the bulk flow

pole structure of  $\bar{G}_L$   $\longleftrightarrow$  dispersion relation of the sound mode

$$\frac{4}{3}\eta + \zeta = \lim_{\omega, \mathbf{k} \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\omega} \text{Im} \bar{G}_L(\omega, \mathbf{k})$$

$$\frac{4}{3}\eta\tau_\pi + \zeta\tau_\Pi + \underbrace{Q_R v_s^2}_{-2\kappa/3} = -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{\omega, \mathbf{k} \rightarrow 0} \partial_\omega^2 \text{Re} \bar{G}_L(\omega, \mathbf{k})$$

$-2\kappa/3$  from metric perturbation analysis

(Hong, Teaney: PRC 83 (2010) 044908)

Combining these relations with the Kubo formulas related to the shear flow we get

## Kubo formulas related to the bulk flow

$$\zeta = \lim_{\omega, \mathbf{k} \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\omega} \text{Im} \bar{G}_R^{PP}(\omega, \mathbf{k})$$

$$\zeta\tau_\Pi = -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{\omega, \mathbf{k} \rightarrow 0} \partial_\omega^2 \text{Re} \bar{G}_R^{PP}(\omega, \mathbf{k})$$

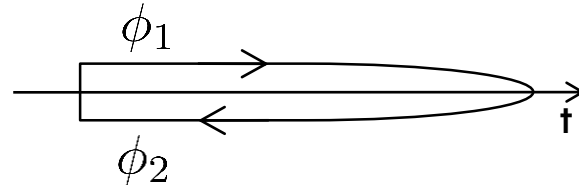
# Diagrammatic computation of shear relaxation time

**Massless scalar field theory:**  $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi^4$

Elastic scatterings – leading order – only shear viscosity effects matter  $\hat{T}^{ij}(x) \cong \partial^i \phi(x) \partial^j \phi(x)$

Start with the real-time formalism in (1,2) basis:  $\text{Im} \bar{G}_R \propto G_{2211} - G_{1122}$   $\text{Re} \bar{G}_R \propto G_{1111} - G_{2222}$

Building blocks:  $\Delta_{11}, \Delta_{22}, \Delta_{12}, \Delta_{21}$



**Efficient description given in (r,a) basis:**

(Wang, Heinz: PRD 67 (2003) 025022)

$$\phi_a = \phi_1 - \phi_2 \quad \phi_r = \frac{\phi_1 + \phi_2}{2}$$

$$\Delta_{ra}(p) = \frac{1}{(p_0 + i\Gamma_p)^2 - E_p^2}$$

$$\Delta_{aa}(p) = 0$$

$$\Delta_{ar}(p) = \frac{1}{(p_0 - i\Gamma_p)^2 - E_p^2}$$

$$\Delta_{rr}(p) = N(p_0) (\Delta_{ra}(p) - \Delta_{ar}(p))$$

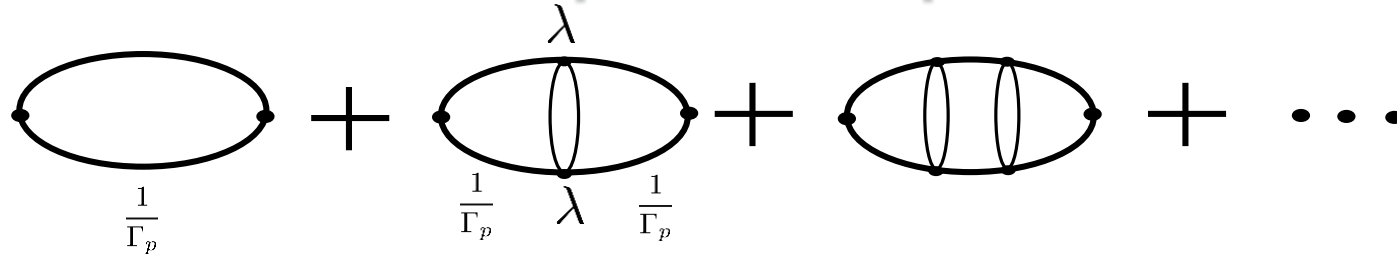
Spectral function approximated by the Lorentzians,  
propagators are dressed

$$E_p^2 = \mathbf{p}^2 + \text{Re} \Sigma_p$$

$$\Gamma_p = \frac{\text{Im} \Sigma_p}{2E_p}$$

# Bethe-Salpeter equation

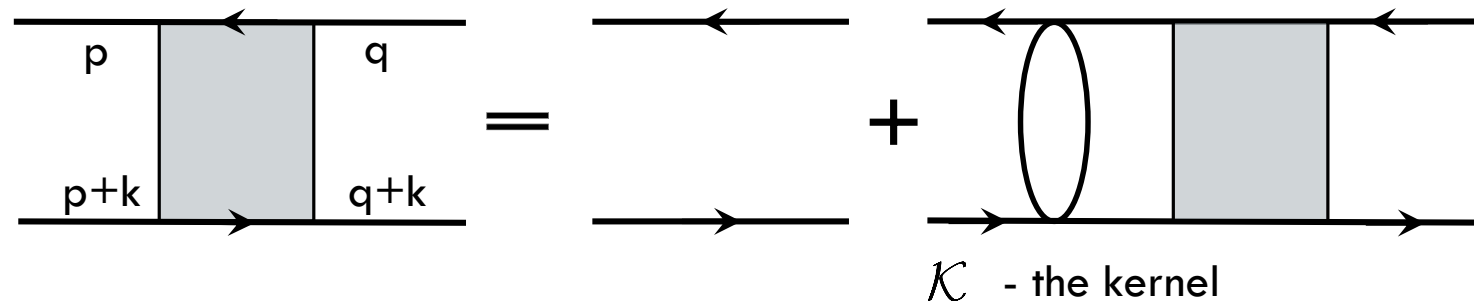
full leading order



$$\Gamma_p = \frac{\text{Im } \Sigma_p}{2E_p}$$

$$\text{Im } \Sigma \sim \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$$

All 4-point Green functions in  $(r,a)$  basis are coupled to each other via the Bethe-Salpeter equation

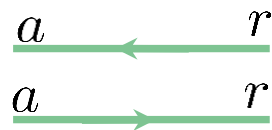


vanishing of  $\Delta_{aa}$  and KMS conditions for 4-point Green functions

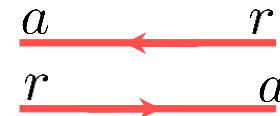
(Wang, Heinz: PRD 66 (2002) 025008, Carrington et al: EPJC 50 (2007) 711)

pinching pole approximation:

poles pinch the real axis:  $\Delta_{ar}(p)\Delta_{ra}(p)$



no pinching:  $\Delta_{ar}(p)\Delta_{ar}(p)$



$\Delta_{ra}(p)\Delta_{ra}(p)$



Only  $G_{aarr}$  remains coupled to itself



# Integral equations for $\eta$ and $\eta\tau_\pi$

$$D(E_p, \mathbf{p}) = I(p) - \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} (\mathcal{K}(E_p, E_l) + \mathcal{K}(E_p, -E_l)) \frac{D(E_l, \mathbf{l})}{8E_l^2 \Gamma_l}$$

$$I(p) = p_x p_y \quad \mathcal{K}(E_p, E_l) \text{ - kernel of the integral equation}$$

$$\eta = \beta \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} n(E_p) (1 + n(E_p)) I(\mathbf{p}) \frac{D(E_p, \mathbf{p})}{2E_p^2 \Gamma_p}$$

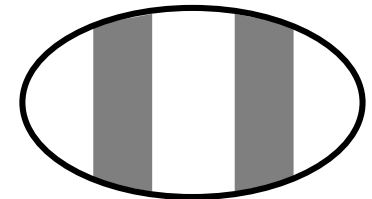
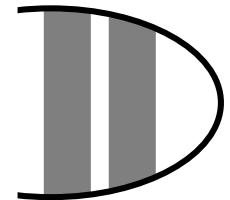
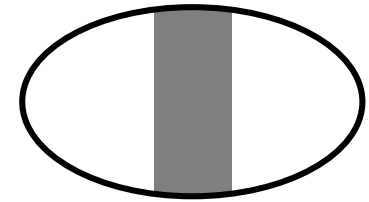
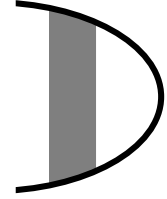
$$\eta \propto \frac{1}{\Gamma_p}$$

$$R(E_p, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{D(E_p, \mathbf{p})}{2\Gamma_p} - \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} (\mathcal{K}(E_p, E_l) + \mathcal{K}(E_p, -E_l)) \frac{R(E_l, \mathbf{l})}{8E_l^2 \Gamma_l}$$

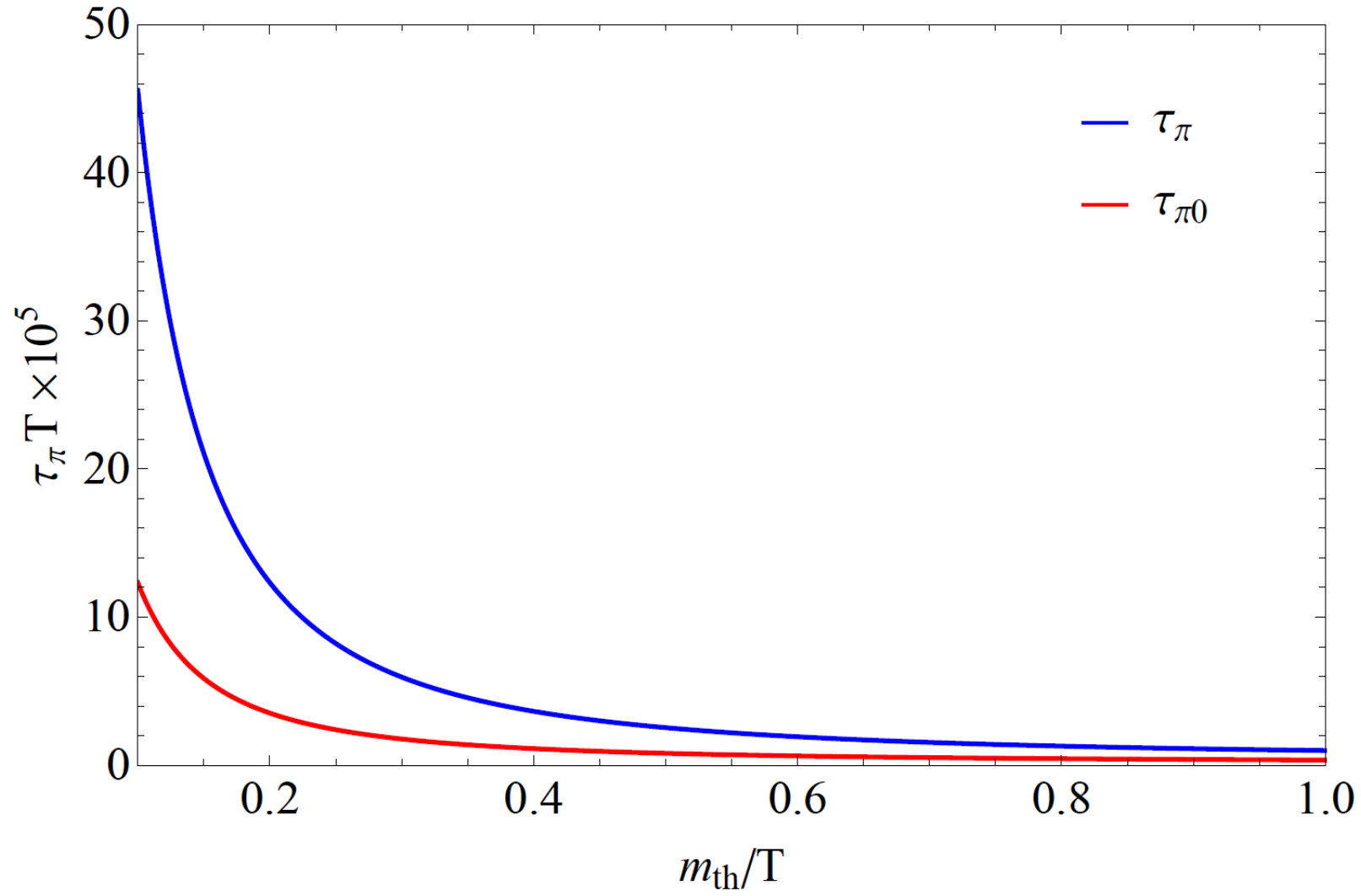
$$\eta\tau_\pi = \beta \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} n(E_p) (1 + n(E_p)) I(\mathbf{p}) \frac{R(E_p, \mathbf{p})}{2E_p^2 \Gamma_p}$$

$$\eta\tau_\pi \propto \frac{1}{\Gamma_p^2}$$

$$\Gamma_p = \frac{\text{Im } \Sigma_p}{2E_p}$$

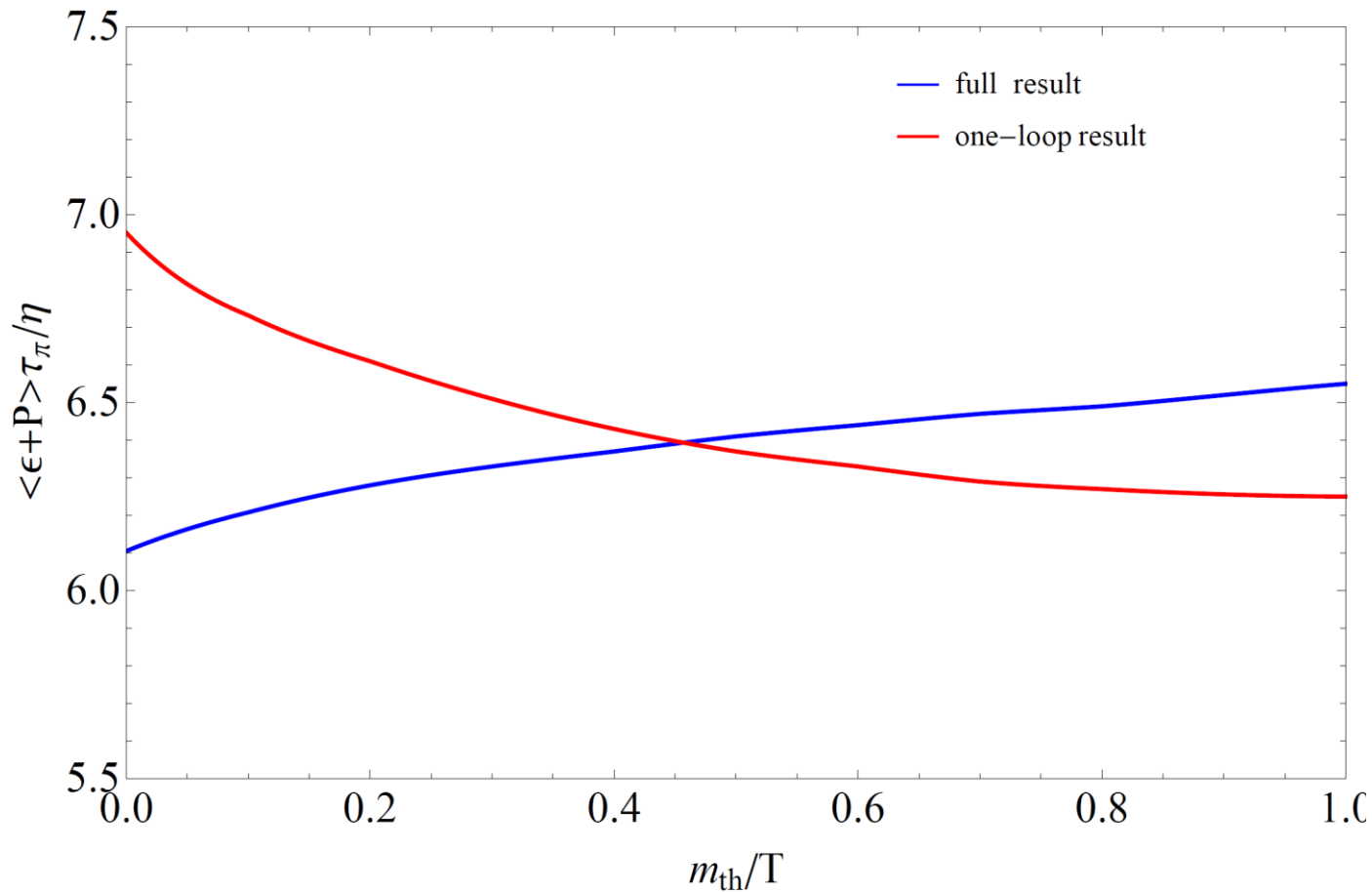


# Shear relaxation time



$\mathcal{T}_\pi$  - full result  
 $\mathcal{T}_{\pi 0}$  - one-loop result

# The ratio $\frac{\langle \epsilon + P \rangle \tau_\pi}{\eta}$



## effective kinetic theory

(York, Moore: *PRD* 79 (2009) 054011)

## scalar theory

$$\frac{\langle \epsilon + P \rangle \tau_\pi}{\eta} = 6.1 \quad m_{\text{th}}/T \approx 0$$

## QCD

$$\frac{\langle \epsilon + P \rangle \tau_\pi}{\eta} = 5.9 - 5.0 \quad \text{varies with } m_{\text{th}}/T$$

## 14-moment approach

(Denicol, Jeon, Gale: *PRC* 90 (2014) 024912)

## classical massless gas approximation

$$\frac{\langle \epsilon + P \rangle \tau_\pi}{\eta} = 5$$

# Conclusions

- Kubo formulas for the shear and the bulk relaxation times were found
- Shear relaxation time was studied within the real-time formalism in  $(r,a)$  basis
- Shear relaxation time is controlled by the thermal width

- The ratio 
$$\frac{\langle \epsilon + P \rangle \tau_\pi}{\eta} \approx 5 - 7$$

seems to be robust across all available microscopic calculations

- First step on the way to compute the bulk relaxation time, where next-to-leading order corrections must be also included