## Kinetic transport is needed to reliably extract shear viscosity from pA and AA data. <br> Aleksi Kurkela

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Smooth onset of flow-like signatures motivates to revisit the fluid dynamical paradigm.

- pp: particle production + free streaming. No final state interactions.
- AA: particle production + hydrodynamics. Large number of final state interactions


## Questions:

Are there mesoscopic systems with few final state interactions?

How many final state interactions are needed to produce the observed azimuthal anisotropies?

How much of the observed signals can be accounted for by a single final state interaction?

Study development of azimuthal harmonics in transport theory:

- Fully formed complex phenomenological setups with as many physics features included as possible

BAMPS, AMPT,...

- Rely on convoluted assumptions

Jamie Nagle's talk

Or

- Generic and tractable
- Minimal sensitivity to model details. Maximal sensitivity to physics assumptions.

Simplified model: Isotropization time approximation

$$
\underbrace{\partial_{t}+\vec{v}_{\perp} \cdot \partial_{\vec{x}_{\perp}} F}_{\text {Free stream }}=-C[F]=\underbrace{-\gamma \epsilon^{1 / 4} u \cdot v}_{\text {isotropization time }}\left(F-F_{\text {iso }}\right)
$$

- Particles free stream
- Scattering isotropize in local rest frame in time $\tau_{i s o} \sim \gamma \epsilon^{1 / 4}$
- Keep track of only $p$-integrated distribution function $F(\Omega)=\int 4 \pi p^{3} d p f(\vec{p})$

$$
T^{\mu \nu}=\int d \Omega v^{\mu} v^{\nu} F(\Omega)
$$

- Single parameter $\gamma$ related to isotropization time of $p$-scale dominating $F$.

Agrees well with QCD kinetic theory for $T^{\mu \nu}$ evolution Kurkela, Heller, Spalinski 1609.04803

Initial condition with harmonic perturbations $\delta_{n}$ with event plane orientations $\psi_{n}$ :

$$
F_{0} \sim \delta\left(v_{z}\right) \varepsilon_{0} e^{-r^{2} / R^{2}}\left(1+\delta_{2}\left(r^{2} / R^{2}\right) \cos \left(2 \theta-2 \psi_{2}\right)+\ldots\right)
$$

Scaling variable:

$$
\hat{\gamma}=\frac{\text { Transverse system size }}{\text { Mean free path }}=\gamma R^{3 / 4}\left(\epsilon_{0} \tau_{0}\right)^{1 / 4}
$$

$$
\tau_{0} \rightarrow 0, \epsilon_{0} \tau_{0} \text { fixed }
$$

Single-hit calculation $\mathcal{O}(\hat{\gamma})$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
\frac{d E_{\perp}}{d \eta_{s} d \phi} \equiv \int d p_{\perp}^{2} \frac{p_{\perp} d N}{d p_{\perp}^{2} d \eta_{s} d \phi} \\
=\left.\frac{1}{2 \pi} \frac{d E_{\perp}}{d \eta_{s}}\right|_{\hat{\gamma}=0, \delta_{n}=0}\left\{1-0.21 \hat{\gamma}+0.02 \hat{\gamma} \delta_{2}^{2}+0.04 \hat{\gamma} \delta_{3}^{2}\right. \\
-0.21 \hat{\gamma} \delta_{2} 2 \cos \left(2 \phi-2 \psi_{2}\right)-0.14 \hat{\gamma} \delta_{3} 2 \cos \left(3 \phi-3 \psi_{3}\right) \\
+0.06 \hat{\gamma} \delta_{2}^{2} 2 \cos \left(4 \phi-4 \psi_{2}\right)+0.11 \hat{\gamma} \delta_{3}^{2} 2 \cos \left(6 \phi-6 \psi_{3}\right) \\
\left.+0.08 \hat{\gamma} \delta_{2} \delta_{3} 2 \cos \left(5 \phi-3 \psi_{3}-2 \psi_{2}\right)\right\}
\end{gathered}
$$

All linear and non-linear structures observed in the azimuthal anisotropies arise.

It swims like a duck, it quacks like a duck, it's probably a ...



All orders in $\hat{\gamma}: v_{2} / \delta_{2}$ saturates


Large systems approach ideal fluid dynamics


Central pA: $\frac{v_{2}}{\delta_{2}} \approx 0.2$, Central AA: $\frac{v_{2}}{\delta_{2}} \approx 0.3$

- Closer to single hit regime than ideal hydro

$$
\eta / s \gtrsim 0.5
$$



The approach to ideal hydro is not described by viscous hydro

$$
\epsilon_{0}=1000 \mathrm{fm}^{4}, \tau_{0}=0.26 \mathrm{fm}, R=2-12 \mathrm{fm}
$$

No system size dependence in hydro!

## What happened?





Constitutive equations (at $r=0$ ) fulfilled better and better with increasing system size

$$
\Pi^{\mu \nu}=-2 \eta \sigma^{<\mu \nu>}
$$

## What happened?

$$
\partial_{\mu} T^{\mu \nu}=0, \quad \tau_{\pi} \partial_{\tau} \Pi^{\mu \nu}=-\left(\Pi^{\mu \nu}+2 \eta \sigma^{\mu \nu}\right)
$$

No non-hydrodynamical elements: no pre-equilibrium, no freeze-out

- Flow builds up at times $\sim R$.
- Difference between ideal and viscous builds when the gradients are the largest
- Gradients are largest at earliest times
- For small $\eta / s$, hydro equations depend on

$$
\left.\frac{v_{2}}{\delta_{2}} \simeq \frac{v_{2}}{\delta_{2}}\right|_{\text {ideal }}-f_{L}^{(1)} \frac{\eta}{s T_{0}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{\tau_{0}}}_{\partial_{z}}-f_{\perp}^{(1)} \frac{\eta}{s T_{0}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{R}}_{\partial_{\perp}}
$$

- By assumption: $\tau_{0} \ll R$, initial condition dependence dominates over transverse geometry


Pure hydro exhibits nearly perfect scaling with

$$
\left.\frac{v_{2}}{\delta_{2}} \simeq \frac{v_{2}}{\delta_{2}}\right|_{\text {ideal }}-f_{L}\left(\frac{\eta}{s T_{0}} \frac{1}{\tau_{0}}\right)
$$



- In systems of all sizes: the sensitivity of hydro to $\eta / s$ arises from the earliest time $\tau_{0}$, where hydro is least reliable.


## Conclusions:

- Viscous hydro is a coarse grained effective description of transport theory.
- In this model, for $v_{2}$, even if the transport theory hydrodynamizes, qualitative features not descried by viscous hydro.
- This is because of the rapid expansion: $\eta / s$-sensitivity arises from $\partial_{z}$, not $\partial_{\perp}$. Increasing $\eta / s$ increases sensitivity to initialization time, not to transverse geometry.
- In phenomenological applications, hydro can be supplemented with additional non-hydro elements that lead to violation of scaling. But these are not hydro.


## Conclusions:

- All the observed structures in azimuthal harmonics arise already from single final state interaction
- Single hit dynamics most efficient at transferring spatial anisotropy to momentum anisotropy
- This explains in the most natural way the observation of $v_{2} / \epsilon_{2}$ in the smallest pp, pA collisions


## Conclusions:

- Observed signal sizes suggest that hadronic collisions create a system with significant dissipation

$$
\hat{\gamma} \sim R / l_{m f p} \sim 1.5-3
$$

- and do not require that system hydrodynamizes at any point of evolution.
- These imply values of

$$
\eta / s \gtrsim 0.5,
$$

at least 6 times more than the perfect fluid value (0.08) and closer to perturbative expectation.


Medium (AA)



Extra slides

## Generation of $v_{2}$ far from equilibrium



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- Initial condition initially isotropic in momentum space, anisotropic in coordinate space
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- Collisions isotropize the distribution in the center $\Rightarrow$ Reduction of horizontal movers and increase of vertical movers

Related closely to anisotropic parton escape mechanism, He et al. PLB753 (2016)

