

Viscous hydrodynamics for systems undergoing strongly anisotropic expansion

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Motivation

- Relativistic fluid dynamics is used to model HIC
- There are large corrections to an ideal fluid due to the rapid longitudinal expansion
- The QGP is an anisotropic plasma
- Can then build in the anisotropies from the beginning to create a more reliable approximation scheme to the QGP matter

Relativistic fluid dynamics

- Canonical way to derive viscous hydrodynamics is to linearize around an isotropic equilibrium distribution function

$$y - y_0 = \delta y \ll 1, \quad y_0 = \frac{u \cdot p}{T} - \frac{\mu}{T}$$

$$f(y) = \underbrace{f_{\text{eq}}(y_0)}_{\equiv f_0} + \underbrace{f_{\text{eq}}(1 - af_{\text{eq}})\delta y}_{\equiv \delta f} + \mathcal{O}(\delta y^2)$$

- Particle momentum-space is approximated at leading-order by a sphere
- Isotropic energy-momentum tensor (ignoring bulk viscous pressure)

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\mathcal{E} + \mathcal{P}) u^\mu u^\nu - \mathcal{P} g^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu}, \quad R_\pi^{-1} = \sqrt{\pi^{\mu\nu} \pi_{\mu\nu}} / \mathcal{P} \ll 1$$

Viscous hydrodynamic limitations

- Look at Navier-Stokes solution for insights on the momentum-space anisotropies

$$\pi_{\text{NS}}^{\mu\nu} = \eta \nabla^{\langle\mu} u^{\nu\rangle}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\perp} = \mathcal{P} + \frac{1}{2} (\pi_{\text{NS}}^{\text{xx}} + \pi_{\text{NS}}^{\text{yy}}) = \mathcal{P} + \frac{2\eta}{3\tau} \quad \pi_{\text{NS}}^{\text{zz}} = -2\pi_{\text{NS}}^{\text{xx}} = -2\pi_{\text{NS}}^{\text{yy}} = -\frac{4\eta}{3\tau}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{L}} = \mathcal{P} + \pi_{\text{NS}}^{\text{zz}} = \mathcal{P} - \frac{4\eta}{3\tau}$$

Can recast pressure ratio in terms of the temperature of the system

$$\frac{\mathcal{P}_{\text{L}}}{\mathcal{P}_{\perp}} = \frac{3\tau T - 16\bar{\eta}}{3\tau T + 8\bar{\eta}}, \quad \bar{\eta} \equiv \eta/S$$

- Initial conditions at RHIC: $T_0 = 400$ MeV, $\tau_0 = 0.5$ fm/c gives $\mathcal{P}_{\text{L}}/\mathcal{P}_{\perp} \leq 0.5$
- Initial conditions at LHC: $T_0 = 600$ MeV, $\tau_0 = 0.25$ fm/c gives $\mathcal{P}_{\text{L}}/\mathcal{P}_{\perp} \leq 0.35$
- The longitudinal pressure can become negative for large values of $\bar{\eta}$, early times, or low temperatures

Hydrodynamic expansion revisited: a reorganized approach

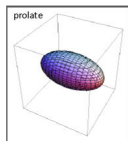
- Hydrodynamic expansion breaks down in far-from-equilibrium situations
 - i.e. the first-order correction becomes of the order of the leading-order piece in the perturbative expansion
- Generalized solution

$$f(x, p) = f_0(x, p) \sum_{\ell, \alpha} a_{\alpha}(x) P_{\alpha}^{(\ell)}(p)$$

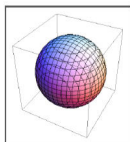
- f_0 is the LO approximation (arbitrary weight factor)
- In order to obtain the most rapid convergence, choose f_0 such that it is as close as possible to the exact solution f
- The choice of f_0 is guided by general insights into the properties of f for the problem at hand

Anisotropic expansion

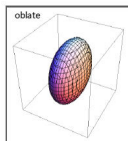
- In HIC, rapid longitudinal expansion suggests to use an f_0 distorted along the p_z (beam)-direction with azimuthal symmetry



$$-1 < \xi < 0$$



$$\xi = 0$$



$$\xi > 0$$

$$\xi > 0 \implies \mathcal{P}_L < \mathcal{P}_\perp$$

- Expansion around a “local anisotropic equilibrium” distribution function

$$f(x, p) = \underbrace{f_{\text{iso}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{m^2 + p_\perp^2 + (1 + \xi(x)) p_z^2}}{\Lambda(x)} \right)}_{\text{Romatschke-Strickland form in LRF}} + \delta \tilde{f}$$

- $\xi(x)$ is the anisotropy parameter
- Λ is the effective transverse temperature

$$\xi = \frac{\langle p_\perp^2 \rangle}{2 \langle p_L^2 \rangle} - 1$$

Hydrodynamic tensor decomposition for anisotropic systems

- Expansion around a spheroidal distribution function

$$f(x, p) = f_{\text{RS}} + \delta\tilde{f}$$

leads to $\mathcal{P}_x = \mathcal{P}_y \neq \mathcal{P}_z$

- Large portion of dissipative currents caused by spheroidal deformation of particle momentum-space are treated non-perturbatively
- $\delta\tilde{f}$ gives rise to dissipative currents which (mostly) account for viscous effects other than those included in $\delta f = f_{\text{aniso}} - f_{\text{eq}}$

$$j^\mu = \mathcal{N}_{\text{aniso}} u^\mu + \tilde{V}^\mu$$

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \left(\mathcal{E}_{\text{aniso}} + \mathcal{P}_\perp + \tilde{\Pi} \right) u^\mu u^\nu - \left(\mathcal{P}_\perp + \tilde{\Pi} \right) g^{\mu\nu} + (\mathcal{P}_L - \mathcal{P}_\perp) z^\mu z^\nu + \tilde{\pi}^{\mu\nu}$$

Quasi-thermodynamic quantities

$$\mathcal{N}(\xi, \Lambda) = \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} f_{\text{RS}} = \mathcal{R}_0(\xi) \mathcal{N}_{\text{iso}}(\Lambda)$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\xi, \Lambda) = T^{00} = \mathcal{R}(\xi) \mathcal{E}_{\text{iso}}(\Lambda)$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\perp}(\xi, \Lambda) = \frac{1}{2} (T^{xx} + T^{yy}) = \mathcal{R}_{\perp}(\xi) \mathcal{P}_{\text{iso}}(\Lambda)$$

$$\mathcal{P}_L(\xi, \Lambda) = T^{zz} = \mathcal{R}_L(\xi) \mathcal{P}_{\text{iso}}(\Lambda)$$

$$\mathcal{R}(\xi) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1+\xi} + \frac{\arctan \sqrt{\xi}}{\sqrt{\xi}} \right),$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{\perp}(\xi) = \frac{3}{2\xi} \left(\frac{1 + (\xi^2 - 1)\mathcal{R}(\xi)}{\xi + 1} \right),$$

$$\mathcal{R}_L(\xi) = \frac{3}{\xi} \left(\frac{(\xi + 1)\mathcal{R}(\xi) - 1}{\xi + 1} \right)$$

- The bulk quantities factorize into a product of two functions only in massless limit
- In the $m \neq 0$ case can define an “anisotropic equation of state”

LO aHydro: (0+1)d case

M. Martinez, M. Strickland, 1007.0889

0th moment: $\partial_\mu j^\mu \neq 0$

$$\frac{1}{1+\xi} \partial_\tau \xi - \frac{2}{\tau} - \frac{6}{\Lambda} \partial_\tau \Lambda = 2\Gamma \left[1 - \mathcal{R}^{3/4}(\xi) \sqrt{1+\xi} \right]$$

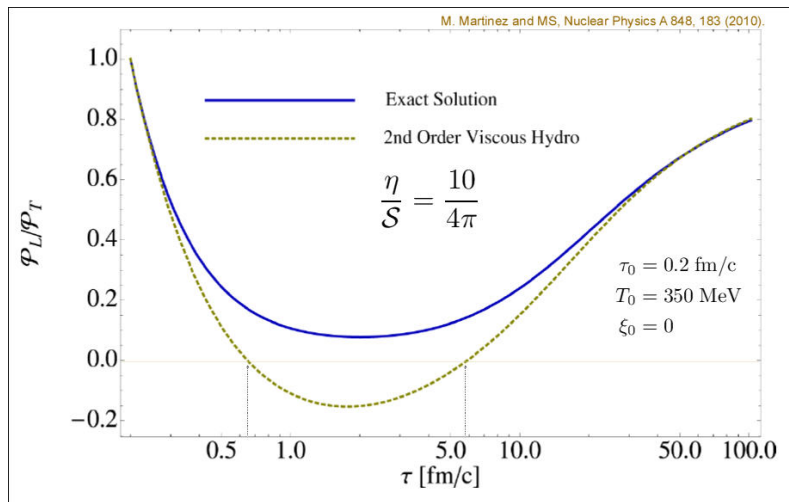
1st moment: $\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$

$$\frac{\mathcal{R}'(\xi)}{\mathcal{R}(\xi)} \partial_\tau \xi + \frac{4}{\Lambda} \partial_\tau \Lambda = \frac{1}{\tau} \left[\frac{1}{\xi(1+\xi)\mathcal{R}(\xi)} - \frac{1}{\xi} - 1 \right]$$

Relaxation rate Γ determined by matching to viscous hydrodynamics for small ξ

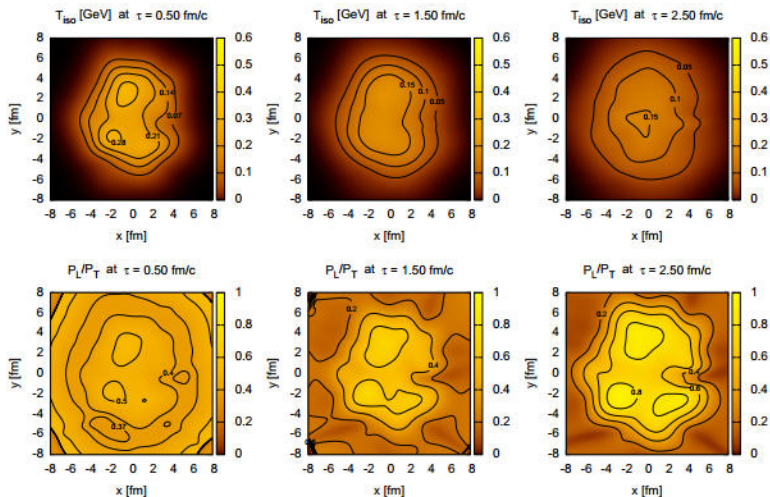
$$\Gamma = \frac{2}{\tau_\pi} = \frac{2T}{5\bar{\eta}} = \frac{2\mathcal{R}^{1/4}(\xi)\Lambda}{5\bar{\eta}}$$

Pressure anisotropy



Transverse expansion

M. Martinez, R. Ryblewski, and M. Strickland, 1204.1473



$4\pi\eta/S = 1$, Pb-Pb @ 2.76 TeV: $T_0 = 600$ MeV, $\tau_0 = 0.25$ fm/c, $b = 7$ fm

Macroscopic equations of motion: (2+1)d

0th moment

$$\dot{\mathcal{N}} = -\mathcal{N}\theta - \partial_\mu \tilde{V}^\mu + \mathcal{C}$$

1st moment

$$\dot{\mathcal{E}} + (\mathcal{E} + \mathcal{P}_\perp + \tilde{\Pi})\theta + (\mathcal{P}_\perp - \mathcal{P}_\parallel)\frac{u_0}{\tau} + u_\nu \partial_\mu \tilde{\pi}^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

$$(\mathcal{E} + \mathcal{P}_\perp + \tilde{\Pi})\dot{u}_x + \partial_x(\mathcal{P}_\perp + \tilde{\Pi}) + u_x(\dot{\mathcal{P}}_\perp + \dot{\tilde{\Pi}}) + (\mathcal{P}_\perp - \mathcal{P}_\parallel)\frac{u_0 u_x}{\tau} - \Delta^{1\nu} \partial^\mu \tilde{\pi}_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

$$(\mathcal{E} + \mathcal{P}_\perp + \tilde{\Pi})\dot{u}_y + \partial_y(\mathcal{P}_\perp + \tilde{\Pi}) + u_y(\dot{\mathcal{P}}_\perp + \dot{\tilde{\Pi}}) + (\mathcal{P}_\perp - \mathcal{P}_\parallel)\frac{u_0 u_y}{\tau} - \Delta^{2\nu} \partial^\mu \tilde{\pi}_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

- Need more equations for $\tilde{V}^\mu$, $\tilde{\Pi}$, and $\tilde{\pi}_{\mu\nu}$
- Treated perturbatively like in viscous hydro (14-moment approximation), leads to “anisotropic transport” equations

(2+1)d EOM for the anisotropic degrees of freedom

$$\frac{\dot{\xi}}{1+\xi} - 6\frac{\dot{\Lambda}}{\Lambda} - 2\theta = 2\Gamma \left(1 - \sqrt{1+\xi} \mathcal{R}^{3/4}(\xi)\right)$$

$$\mathcal{R}'\dot{\xi} + 4\mathcal{R}\frac{\dot{\Lambda}}{\Lambda} = -\left(\mathcal{R} + \frac{1}{3}\mathcal{R}_{\perp}\right)\theta_{\perp} - \left(\mathcal{R} + \frac{1}{3}\mathcal{R}_L\right)\frac{u_0}{\tau} + \frac{\tilde{\pi}^{\mu\nu}\sigma_{\mu\nu}}{\mathcal{E}_0(\Lambda)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [3\mathcal{R} + \mathcal{R}_{\perp}]\dot{u}_{\perp} = & -\mathcal{R}'_{\perp}\partial_{\perp}\xi - 4\mathcal{R}_{\perp}\frac{\partial_{\perp}\Lambda}{\Lambda} - u_{\perp}\left(\mathcal{R}'_{\perp}\dot{\xi} + 4\mathcal{R}_{\perp}\frac{\dot{\Lambda}}{\Lambda}\right) \\ & - u_{\perp}(\mathcal{R}_{\perp} - \mathcal{R}_L)\frac{u_0}{\tau} + \frac{3}{\mathcal{E}_0(\Lambda)}\left(\frac{u_x\Delta^1_{\nu} + u_y\Delta^2_{\nu}}{u_{\perp}}\right)\partial_{\mu}\tilde{\pi}^{\mu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

$$[3\mathcal{R} + \mathcal{R}_{\perp}]u_{\perp}\dot{\phi}_u = -\mathcal{R}'_{\perp}D_{\perp}\xi - 4\mathcal{R}_{\perp}\frac{D_{\perp}\Lambda}{\Lambda} - \frac{3}{\mathcal{E}_0(\Lambda)}\left(\frac{u_y\partial_{\mu}\tilde{\pi}^{\mu 1} - u_x\partial_{\mu}\tilde{\pi}^{\mu 2}}{u_{\perp}}\right)$$

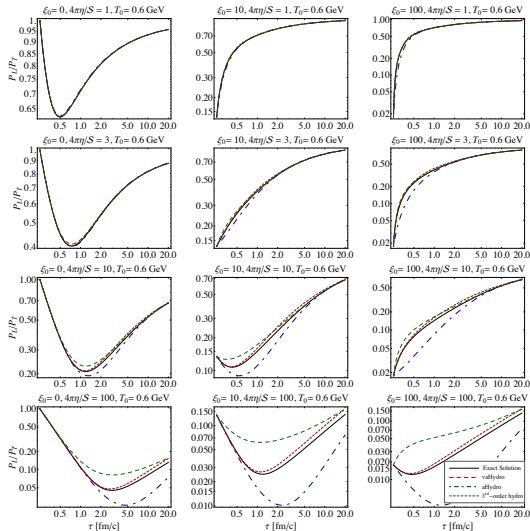
$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\tilde{\pi}}^{\mu\nu} = & -2\dot{u}_{\alpha}\tilde{\pi}^{\alpha(\mu}u^{\nu)} - \Gamma\left[(\mathcal{P} - \mathcal{P}_{\perp})\Delta^{\mu\nu} + (\mathcal{P}_L - \mathcal{P}_{\perp})z^{\mu}z^{\nu} + \tilde{\pi}^{\mu\nu}\right] + \mathcal{K}_0^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{L}_0^{\mu\nu} \\ & + \mathcal{H}_0^{\mu\nu\lambda}\dot{z}_{\lambda} + \mathcal{Q}_0^{\mu\nu\lambda\alpha}\nabla_{\lambda}u_{\alpha} + \mathcal{X}_0^{\mu\nu\lambda}u^{\alpha}\nabla_{\lambda}z_{\alpha} - 2\lambda_{\pi\pi}^0\tilde{\pi}^{\lambda\langle\mu}\sigma^{\nu\rangle}_{\lambda} + 2\tilde{\pi}^{\lambda\langle\mu}\omega^{\nu\rangle}_{\lambda} - 2\delta_{\pi\pi}^0\tilde{\pi}^{\mu\nu}\theta, \end{aligned}$$

Testing vaHydro

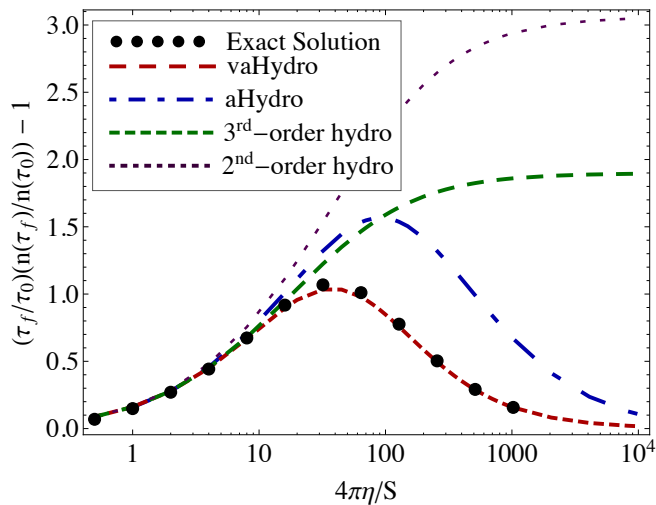
- Is there a way to test the accuracy of various approximation methods?
- Exact (numerical) solution to the Boltzmann equation in RTA exists for $(0+1)d$ systems [W. Florkowski, R. Ryblewski, M. Strickland 1304.0665, 1305.7234]
- Relaxation rate is determined by matching at asymptotically late time to the exact solution

$$\Gamma = \frac{\mathcal{R}^{1/4}(\xi)\Lambda}{5\bar{\eta}}$$

Pressure anisotropy



Particle production

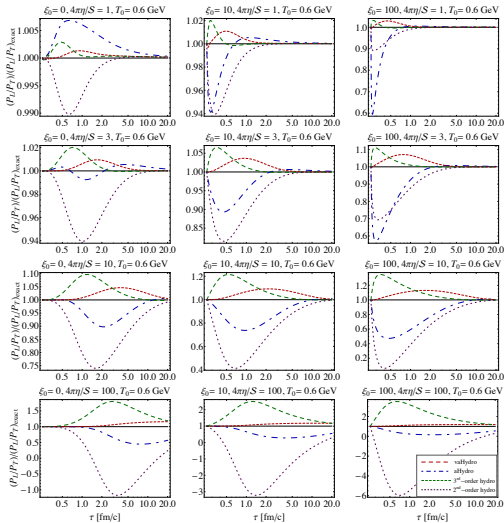


Conclusion

- The anisotropic hydrodynamics framework is a more efficient way to solve the relativistic hydrodynamics equations for HIC
- Second-order anisotropic hydrodynamics allows for corrections to the spheroidal form
- Expect it to improve the validity of viscous hydrodynamics for HIC especially at early times, for large η/S , or near the transverse edge

Backup slides

Relative error of pressure ratio



Relative error of effective temperature

