# (Super) Fluid Dynamics

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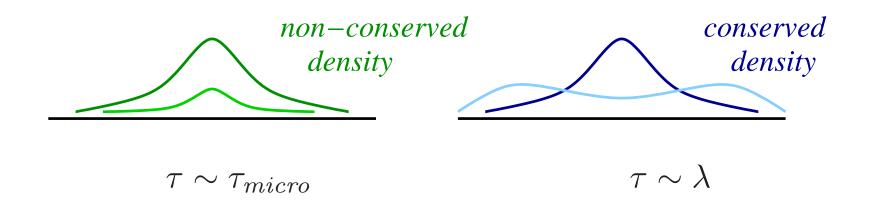
# Hydrodynamics

Hydrodynamics (undergraduate version): Newton's law for continuous, deformable media.



### Fluids: Gases, liquids, plasmas, . . .

Hydrodynamics (postmodern): Effective theory of non-equilibrium long-wavelength, low-frequency dynamics of any many-body system.



 $\tau \gg \tau_{micro}$ : Dynamics of conserved charges.

Water:  $(\rho, \epsilon, \vec{\pi})$ 

# Effective theories for fluids (Unitary Fermi Gas, $T > T_F$ )



$$\mathcal{L} = \psi^{\dagger} \left( i \partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2M} \right) \psi - \frac{C_0}{2} (\psi^{\dagger} \psi)^2$$



$$\frac{\partial f_p}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_x f_p = C[f_p] \qquad \omega < T$$



$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho v_i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Pi_{ij} = 0 \quad \omega < T \frac{s}{\eta}$$

# Gradient expansion (simple non-relativistic fluid)

Simple fluid: Conservation laws for mass, energy, momentum

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \vec{j}^{\rho} = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \vec{j}^{\epsilon} = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial \pi_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \Pi_{ij} = 0$$

Ward identity: mass current = momentum density

$$\vec{\jmath}^{\,\rho} \equiv \rho \vec{v} = \vec{\pi}$$

Constitutive relations: Gradient expansion for currents

Energy momentum tensor

$$\Pi_{ij} = P\delta_{ij} + \rho v_i v_j + \eta \left( \partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij} \partial_k v_k \right) + O(\partial^2)$$

#### Gradient expansion, Kubo formula

Consider background metric  $g_{ij}(t,x) = \delta_{ij} + h_{ij}(t,x)$ . Linear response

$$\delta \Pi^{xy} = -\frac{1}{2} G_R^{xyxy} h_{xy}$$

Harmonic perturbation  $h_{xy} = h_0 e^{-i\omega t}$ 

$$G_R^{xyxy} = P - i\eta\omega + \dots$$

Kubo relation: 
$$\eta = -\lim_{\omega \to 0} \left[ \frac{1}{\omega} \mathrm{Im} G_R^{xyxy}(\omega, 0) \right]$$

Gradient expansion: 
$$\omega \leq \frac{P}{\eta} \simeq \frac{s}{\eta} T$$
.

### Superfluid hydrodynamics

Spontaneous symmetry breaking:  $\langle \Psi \rangle = v_0 e^{i\theta}$ .

Goldstone boson is a new hydro mode:  $\vec{v}_s = \frac{\hbar}{m} \, \vec{\nabla} \theta$ 

$$\partial_t \vec{v}_s + \frac{1}{2} \vec{\nabla}(v_s^2) = -\vec{\nabla}\mu$$

Momentum density:  $\pi_i = \rho_n v_{n,i} + \rho_s v_{s,i}$ 

$$\rho = \rho_n + \rho_s \qquad \rho_s = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial F}{\partial w^2} \qquad \vec{w} = \vec{v}_n - \vec{v}_s$$

Stress tensor and energy current

$$\Pi_{ij} = P\delta_{ij} + \rho_n v_{n,i} v_{n,j} + \rho_s v_{s,i} v_{s,j}$$

$$\vec{\jmath}^{\epsilon} = sT\vec{v}_n + \left(\mu + \frac{1}{2}v_s^2\right) \vec{\pi} + \rho_n \vec{v}_n \vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{w}$$

#### Superfluid hydrodynamics

#### Dissipative stresses

$$\delta\Pi_{ij} = -\eta \left( \nabla_i v_{n,j} + \nabla_j v_{n,i} - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}_n \right)$$

$$-\delta_{ij}\left(\zeta_1\vec{\nabla}\left(\rho_s\left(\vec{v}_s-\vec{v}_n\right)\right)+\zeta_2\left(\vec{\nabla}\cdot\vec{v}_n\right)\right)$$

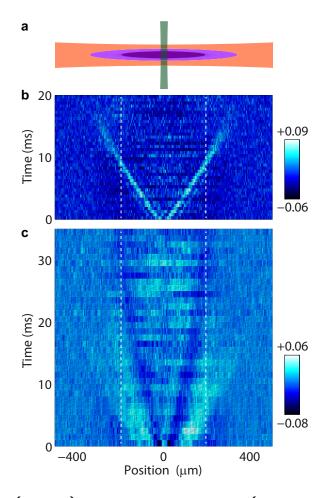
Equation of motions for  $v_s$ :  $\dot{v}_s + \frac{1}{2}\nabla(v_s^2) = -\nabla(\mu + H)$  with

$$H = -\zeta_3 \vec{\nabla} \left( \rho_s \left( \vec{v}_s - \vec{v}_n \right) \right) - \zeta_4 \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}_n$$

Conformal symmetry:  $\zeta_1 = \zeta_2 = \zeta_4 = 0$ 

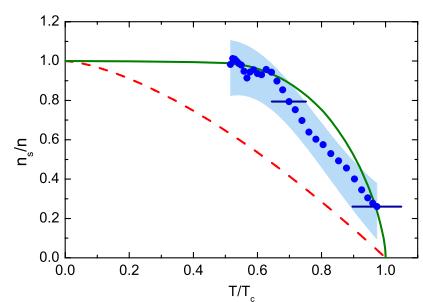
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# Superfluid Hydrodynamics: Second Sound



Superfluid mass fraction CAG, He, BEC (th)

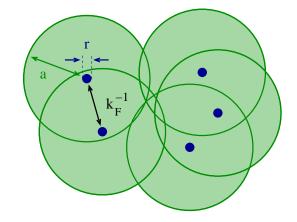
1st (top) 2nd sound (bottom) in unitary Fermi gas



In the following, I will concentrate on the unitary Fermi gas. This system is, essentially, equivalent to a dilute neutron gas (at densities  $\rho \sim (0.1-1.0)\rho_0$ ).

dilute:  $r\rho^{1/3} \ll 1$ 

strongly correlated:  $a\rho^{1/3}\gg 1$ 



The results can be extended, without too much effort, to np pairing,  $^3P_2$  pairing, and CFL quark matter (relativistic superfluid hydro).

### Fermi gas at unitarity: Field Theory

Non-relativistic fermions at low momentum

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \psi^{\dagger} \left( i \partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2M} \right) \psi - \frac{C_0}{2} (\psi^{\dagger} \psi)^2$$

Unitary limit:  $a \to \infty$ ,  $\sigma \to 4\pi/k^2$   $(C_0 \to \infty)$ 

This limit is smooth (HS-trafo,  $\Psi=(\psi_{\uparrow},\psi_{\downarrow}^{\dagger})$ 

$$\mathcal{L} = \Psi^{\dagger} \left[ i\partial_0 + \sigma_3 \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2}{2m} \right] \Psi + \left( \Psi^{\dagger} \sigma_+ \Psi \phi + h.c. \right) - \frac{1}{C_0} \phi^* \phi ,$$

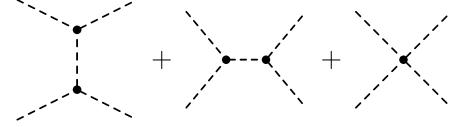
Low T ( $T < T_c \sim \mu$ ): Pairing and superfluidity

#### Low T: Phonons Goldstone boson $\psi\psi=e^{2i\varphi}\langle\psi\psi\rangle$

$$\mathcal{L} = c_0 m^{3/2} \left( \mu - \dot{\varphi} - \frac{(\vec{\nabla}\varphi)^2}{2m} \right)^{5/2} + \dots$$

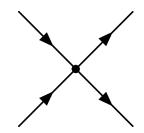
Viscosity dominated by  $\varphi+\varphi\rightarrow\varphi+\varphi$ 

$$\eta = A \frac{\xi^5}{c_s^3} \frac{T_F^8}{T^5}$$



#### High T: Atoms Cross section regularized by thermal momentum

$$\eta = \frac{15}{32\sqrt{2}}(mT)^{3/2}$$

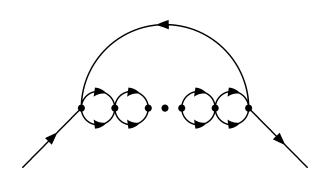


### Bulk viscosity and conformal symmetry breaking

Conformal symmetry breaking (thermodynamics, normal phase)

$$1 - \frac{2\mathcal{E}}{3P} = \frac{\langle \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}} \rangle}{12\pi maP} \sim \frac{1}{6\pi} n\lambda^3 \frac{\lambda}{a}$$

How does this translate into  $\zeta \neq 0$ ? Momentum dependent  $m^*(p)$ .



$$Im \Sigma(k) \sim zT \sqrt{\frac{T}{\epsilon_k}} Erf \left(\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_k}{T}}\right) \ll T$$

$$Re \Sigma(k) \sim zT \frac{\lambda}{a} \sqrt{\frac{T}{\epsilon_k}} F_D \left(\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_k}{T}}\right)$$

**Bulk viscosity** 

$$\zeta = \frac{1}{24\sqrt{2}\pi}\lambda^{-3} \left(\frac{z\lambda}{a}\right)^2$$

$$\zeta \sim \left(1 - \frac{2\mathcal{E}}{3P}\right)^2 \eta$$

 $\zeta_1 - \zeta_4$  in superfluid phase, Escobedo et al (2009).

### Thermal conductivity

Superfluids are very efficient conductors of heat, by a process usually called superfluid convection.

There is a non-zero (but difficult to observe) diffusive contribution

$$\vec{\jmath}^{\epsilon} = -\kappa \vec{\nabla} T$$

The calculation of  $\kappa$  is subtle, because quasi-particles with linear dispersion  $E_p \sim c_s p$  do not contribute. [Roughly, linear qp's always transport momentum together with energy.]

The dominant process is phonon splitting, made possible by non-linear terms in the dispersion relation.

$$\kappa = \frac{128}{3\pi} \frac{\gamma^2}{g_3^2} \frac{T^2}{c_s^2} D_H = \frac{256\sqrt{2}}{25\pi^3 \xi^2 m} (mT)^{3/2} \left(\frac{T}{T_F}\right)^2 D_H$$

Normal phase  $\kappa \sim m^{1/2} T^{3/2}$ 

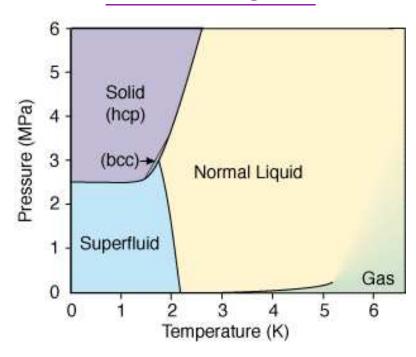
#### Liquid Helium

Bosons, van der Waals + short range repulsion

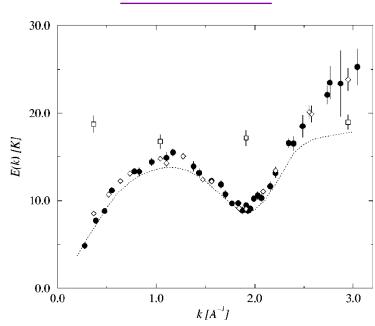
$$S = \int \Phi^{\dagger} \left( i \partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2M} \right) \Phi + \int \int \left( \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi \right) V(x - y) \left( \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi \right)$$

with  $V(x) = V_{sr}(x) - c_6/x^6$ . Note:  $a = 189a_0 \gg a_0$ 

#### Phase Diagram



#### **Excitations**



#### Low T: Phonons and Rotons Effective lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \varphi^* (\partial_0^2 - v^2) \varphi + i \lambda \dot{\varphi} (\vec{\nabla} \varphi)^2 + \dots$$
$$+ \varphi_{R,v}^* (i \partial_0 - \Delta) \varphi_{R,v} + c_0 (\varphi_{R,v}^* \varphi_{R,v})^2 + \dots$$

Shear viscosity

$$\eta = \eta_R + \frac{c_{Rph}}{\sqrt{T}} e^{\Delta/T} + \frac{c_{ph}}{T^5} + \dots$$

High T: Atoms Viscosity governed by hard core  $(V \sim 1/r^{12})$ 

$$\eta = \eta_0 (T/T_0)^{2/3}$$

#### Experiment: Liquid Helium

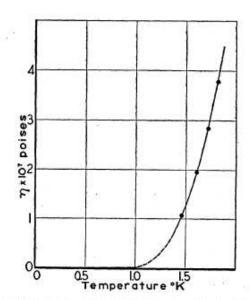
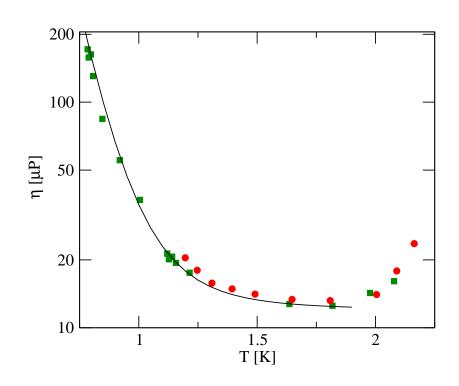


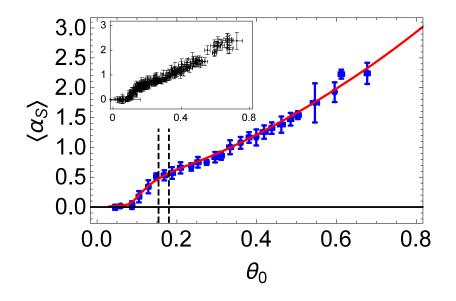
Fig. 1. The viscosity of liquid helium II measured by flow through a 10<sup>-4</sup> cm channel.

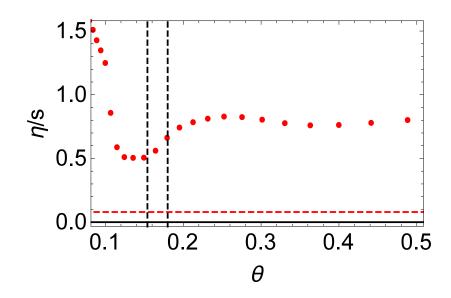
Kapitza (1938) viscosity vanishes below  $T_c$  capillary flow viscometer



Hollis-Hallett (1955)
roton minimum, phonon rise
rotation viscometer

### Experiment: Unitary Fermi Gas (recent update)





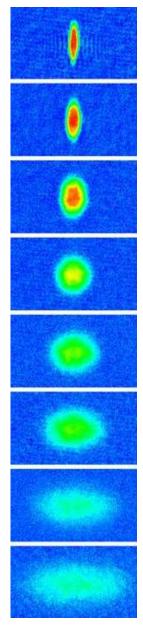
 $(\eta/n)$  drops to zero in superfluid phase

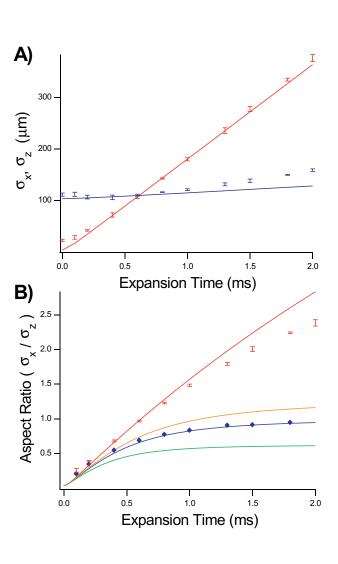
$$(\eta/s)$$
 has a minimum near  $T_c$ 

Joseph et al. (2014)

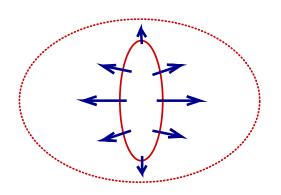
$$heta = (T/T_F)^{3/2}$$
 (trap center)  $lpha_S = \eta/n$ 

# Experiments: Elliptic flow





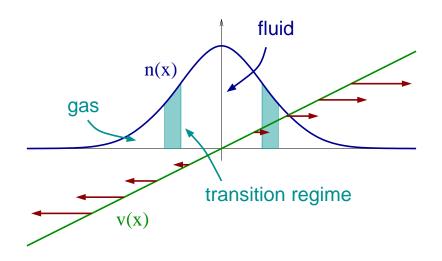
Hydrodynamic expansion converts coordinate space anisotropy to momentum space anisotropy



O'Hara et al. (2002)

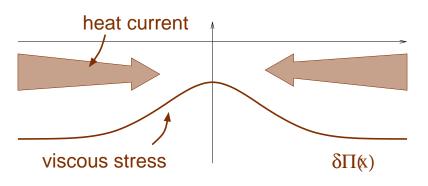
# Determination of $\eta(n,T)$

Measurement of  $A_R(t, E_0)$  determines  $\eta(n, T)$ . But:



The whole cloud is not a fluid.

Can we ignore this issue?



No. Hubble flow & low density viscosity  $\eta \sim T^{3/2}$  lead to paradoxical fluid dynamics.

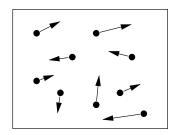
$$\dot{Q} = \int \sigma \cdot \delta \Pi = \infty$$

#### Revisit: Fluid dynamics from kinetic theory

#### Microscopic picture:

Quasi-particle distribution

function  $f_p(x,t)$ 



$$\rho(x,t) = \int d\Gamma_p \, m f_p(x,t)$$

$$\pi_i(x,t) = \int d\Gamma_p \, p_i f_p(x,t)$$

$$\Pi_{ij}(x,t) = \int d\Gamma_p \, p_i v_j f_p(x,t)$$

Boltzmann equation

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_x + \vec{F} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_p\right) f_p(t, x, t) = C[f_p]$$

Collision term

$$C[f_1] = \int d\Gamma_{234} (f_1 f_2 - f_3 f_4) w(12; 34)$$

#### Fluid dynamics from kinetic theory

Conservation laws (collision term)

$$\int d\Gamma_p M_p C[f_p] = 0 \qquad M_p = \{1, p, E_p\}$$

Moments of Boltzmann equation imply fluid dynamic conservation laws

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \vec{j}^{\rho} = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \vec{j}^{\epsilon} = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial \pi_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \Pi_{ij} = 0$$

Need constitutive equations (and equation of state)

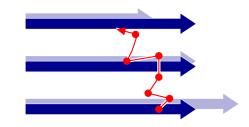
$$\vec{\jmath}^{\,\rho} = ? \qquad \vec{\jmath}^{\,\epsilon} = ? \qquad \Pi_{ij} = ?$$

### Kinetic theory: Knudsen expansion

Chapman-Enskog expansion  $f = f_0 + \delta f_1 + \delta f_2 + \dots$ 

Gradient exp. 
$$\delta f_n = O(\nabla^n)$$

 $\equiv$  Knudsen exp.  $\delta f_n = O(Kn^n)$ 



Zeroth order result: 
$$f_0 = \exp(-\beta(E_p - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{u} - \mu))$$
  $\beta = 1/T$ 

$$\vec{\jmath}^{\rho} = \vec{\pi} = \rho \vec{u}$$

$$\vec{\jmath}^{\epsilon} = (\mathcal{E} + P)\vec{u} \qquad P = \frac{2}{3}\mathcal{E}$$

$$\Pi_{ij} = \rho u_i u_j + P \delta_{ij}$$

First order result:  $\delta f_1 = -f_0 \frac{\eta}{PT} v^i v^j \sigma_{ij} + \dots$ 

$$\delta^{(1)}\Pi_{ij} = -\eta \sigma_{ij}$$
  
$$\delta^{(1)} j_i^{\epsilon} = -\eta u^j \sigma_{ij} - \kappa \nabla_i T$$

#### Approaches to dilute regime

Kinetic theory valid, but no expansion  $f \simeq f_0 + \delta f + \ldots$ 

Combine hydrodynamics & Boltzmann equation. Not straightforward.

Hydrodynamics + non-hydro degrees of freedom ( $\mathcal{E}_a$ ; a=x,y,z)

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}_a}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\jmath}_a^{\epsilon} = -\frac{\Delta P_a}{2\tau} \qquad \Delta P_a = P_a - P$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\jmath}^{\epsilon} = 0 \qquad \mathcal{E} = \sum_a \mathcal{E}_a$$

 $\tau$  small: Fast relaxation to Navier-Stokes with  $\tau=\eta/P$ 

au large: Additional conservation laws. Ballistic expansion.

#### Anisotropic hydro from kinetic theory

Consider modified expansion

$$f = f_A + \delta f_1' + \delta f_2' + \dots$$

Anisotropic distribution function

$$f_A = \exp\left(-\frac{(p_a - mu_a)^2}{2mT_a} - \frac{\mu}{\bar{T}}\right) \quad \bar{T} = (\prod T_a)^{1/3}$$

- $f_A$  is an exact solution of the Boltzmann equation in the ballistic limit.
- The viscous stresses and dissipative corrections to the energy current have the same form as in the Chapman-Enskog theory.

### Anisotropic Hydrodynamics from kinetic theory

Moments of the Boltzmann equation with  $M_p = \{1, \vec{p}, E_P\}$ .

Navier-Stokes with 
$$\delta \Pi_{aa} = \Delta P_a$$

Moments of the Boltzmann equation with  $p_a^2$ 

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}_a}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{\jmath}_a^{\epsilon} = -\frac{\Delta P_a}{2\tau} \qquad \Delta P_a = P_a - P$$

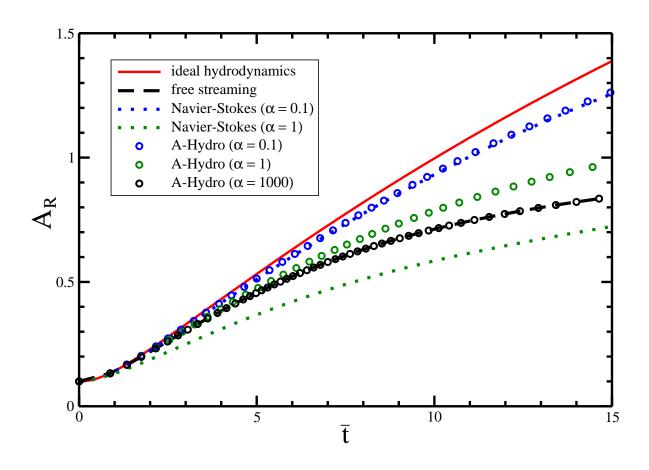
with 
$$P_a = 2\mathcal{E}_a \ (P = \frac{2}{3}\mathcal{E})$$

Solve fluid dynamic equations for small au

$$\delta \Pi_{aa} = \Delta P_a = -\eta \sigma_{aa}$$

Ballistic limit  $\tau \to \infty$ : Conservation law for  $\mathcal{E}_a$ .

#### Anisotropic Hydrodynamics: Aspect ratio

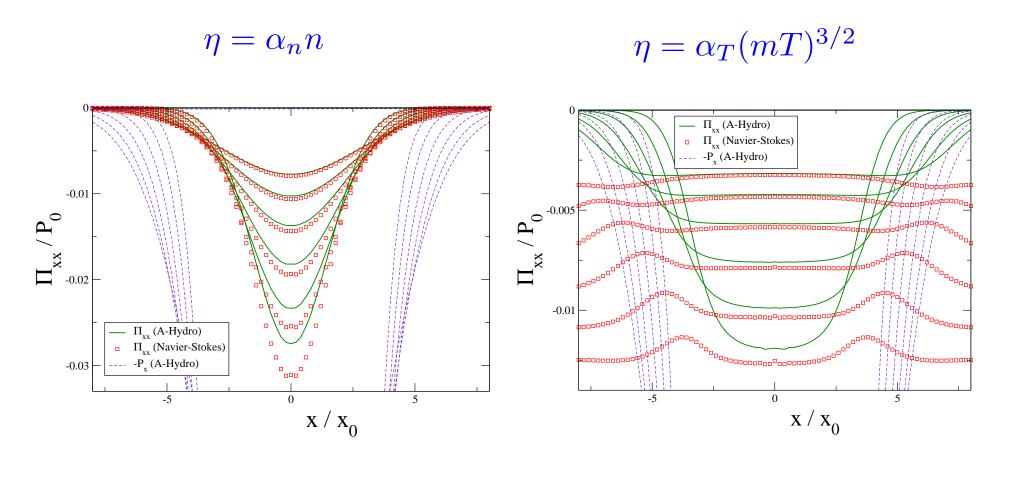


Consider  $\eta = \alpha n$  and  $\alpha \in [0, \infty)$ 

Navier-Stokes: Ideal hydro  $\rightarrow$  very viscous hydro.

A-hydro: Ideal hydro  $\rightarrow$  ballistic expansion.

# Anisotropic Hydrodynamics: Evolution of $\delta\Pi_{aa}$

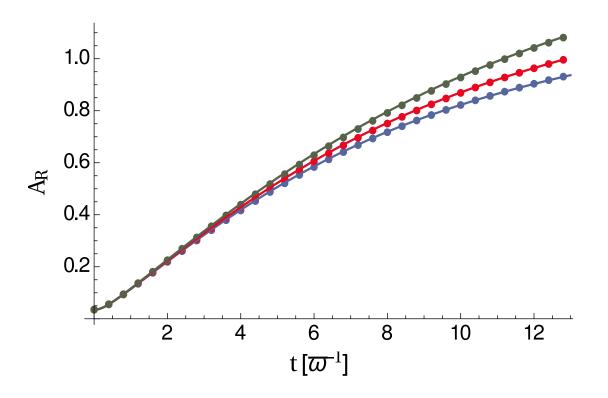


 $\delta\Pi_{xx}(Navier-Stokes)$ 

AVH1 hydro code, M. Bluhm & T.S. (2015)

 $\delta\Pi_{xx}(A ext{-Hydro})$ 

#### Anisotropic Hydrodynamics: Comparison with Boltzmann



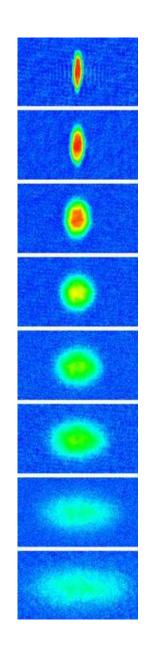
 $T/T_F =$  0.79, 1.11, 1.54

Dots: Two-body Boltzmann equation with full collision kernel

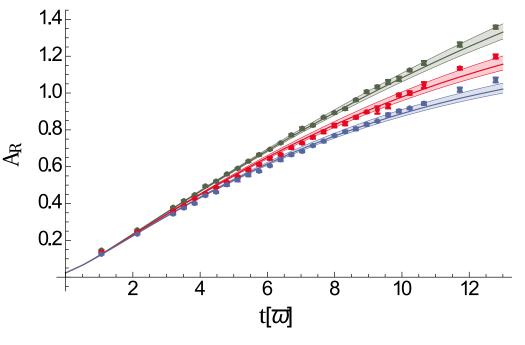
Lines: Anisotropic hydro with  $\eta$  fixed by Chapman-Enskog

High temperature (dilute) limit: Perfect agreement!

### Elliptic flow: High T limit



Quantum viscosity 
$$\eta = \eta_0 \frac{(mT)^{3/2}}{\hbar^2}$$



Cao et al., Science (2010)

Bluhm et al., PRL (2016)

$$T/T_F =$$

0.79, 1.11, 1.54

fit: 
$$\eta_0 = 0.28 \pm 0.02$$

theory: 
$$\eta_0 = \frac{15}{32\sqrt{\pi}} = 0.269$$

#### Outlook

Reanalyze data for  $T \gtrsim T_c$ . Unfold temperature, density dependence of  $\eta/s$ .

Applications to other transport problems: Diffusion, superfluid hydrodynamics.

Study more complicated flow patterns in shaped traps.