

Recent results from hydrodynamics

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Elliptic flow

spatial anisotropy \rightarrow final azimuthal momentum anisotropy



sensitive to speed of sound $c_s^2 = \partial p / \partial e$ and shear viscosity η

Success of ideal hydrodynamics



Teaney ('04): $\eta/s \propto \Gamma_s/ au_0$



dissipation \rightarrow reduction of v_2

 \Rightarrow the idea of plasma as "perfect fluid"

- but how perfect?
- $\eta/s \sim$?

estimate for η/s

Luzum & Romatschke, PRC78, 034915 (2008)



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 $v_2(p_T)$ of protons



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no sweet spot!

Shen *et al.*, PRC82, 054904 (2010) Systematic study: (chemically frozen EoS)

- protons: $\eta/s \sim 2-3 \times \frac{1}{4\pi}$
- charged hadrons: $\eta/s \sim 1-2 \times \frac{1}{4\pi}$
- cannot be resolved by adjusting other parameters



 $\eta/s(T)$

Kapusta, McLerran and Csernai, nucl-th/0604032:



Low T (*Prakash et al.*) using experimental data for 2-body interactions

High T (*Yaffe et al.*) using perturbative QCD

 $\eta/s(T)$

Niemi et al., arXiv:1101.2442



• p_T spectra mostly sensitive to $\eta/s(T)$ in QGP

 $\eta/s(T)$

Niemi et al., arXiv:1101.2442



• $v_2(p_T)$ mostly sensitive to hadronic $\eta/s(T)$!

$\eta/s(T)$ and protons





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 δf

TWO effects: - dissipative corrections to hydro fields u^{μ}, T, n - dissipative corrections to thermal distributions $f \rightarrow f_0 + \delta f$



Grad 14-moment ansatz

Single particle distribution function

$$f = f_0(1 + \epsilon + \epsilon_{\mu}p^{\mu} + \epsilon_{\mu\nu}p^{\mu}p^{\nu}) = f_0(1 + \delta f)$$

Landau matching conditions \implies single component system, shear only:

$$\delta f = \frac{p_{\mu}p_{\nu}\pi^{\mu\nu}}{2(\varepsilon + P)T^2}$$

• No reason why this would hold in multicomponent system

 δf for mixtures

Denicol et al., work in progress:

Analogous to single component system:

$$\delta f_i = \frac{p_\mu p_\nu \, \pi_i^{\mu\nu}}{2(\varepsilon_i + P_i)T^2}$$

Using kinetic theory:

$$\delta f_i \approx \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{2(\varepsilon_i + P_i)T^2} \frac{\eta_i}{\eta} \, \pi^{\mu\nu},$$

where

$$\eta_i = \mathcal{F}(\sigma_{ij}, \{m_i\}, T, \{\mu_i\})$$

is a complicated integral over thermal distributions

Initial shape



• shape fluctuates event to event



v_2 at LHC



• surprisingly similar $v_2(p_T)$ than at RHIC

ideal fluid prediction



• $v_2(p_T)$ may or may not change

hybrid model postdiction

Hirano et al., arXiv:1012.3955



• QGP viscosity required for CGC

only tiny viscosity allowed for Glauber

viscous hydro prediction

Luzum, arXiv:1011.5173; Luzum & Romatschke, PRL103, 262302 (2009)



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 $\eta/s(T)$ at LHC

Niemi et al., arXiv:1101.2442



• at the top LHC energy η/s of plasma dominates

 v_2/ϵ vs. (1/S) dN/dy

Alt et al., PRC68, 034903 (2003)

Hirano et al., arXiv:1010.6222



• scaling may be broken at LHC!

Conclusions

- fitting data using viscous hydro is difficult
- $\eta/s(T)$ of QGP cannot be constrained using RHIC v_2 data only
 - LHC helps
- δf a big uncertainty
- initial state fluctuations important
- **Q LHC** v_2 depicts hydrodynamical behaviour