

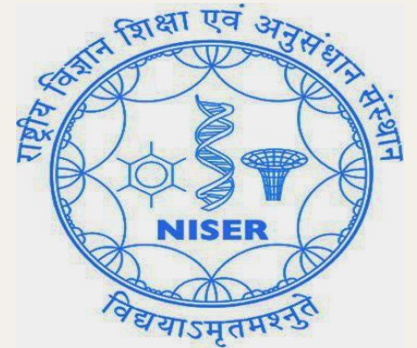
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First-order stable and causal hydrodynamics from kinetic theory

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Motivation

- ❖ *In relativistic heavy-ion collisions, a deconfined state of matter is produced, known as Quark-Gluon Plasma (QGP).*
- ❖ *The kinetic theory and hydrodynamics have been essential effective models to understand the evolution of this system.*
- ❖ *Relativistic generalization of Navier-Stokes equations known to be **acausal** and **unstable** - Higher order theories are introduced.*
- ❖ *A new solution to the causality and stability problems for **first-order theory** recently proposed by Bemfica, Disconzi, Noronha, and Kovtun (BDNK).*

Microscopic Theory

The relativistic Boltzmann transport equation:

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f(x, p) = C[f] = \int d\Gamma_{p_1} d\Gamma_{p'} d\Gamma_{p'_1} [f_{p'} f_{p'_1} (1 \pm f_p) (1 \pm f_{p_1}) - f_p f_{p_1} (1 \pm f_{p'}) (1 \pm f_{p'_1})] W(p' p'_1 | p p_1)$$

The distribution function for small deviation from local equilibrium:

$$f_p = f_p^{(0)} + \delta f_p, \quad \delta f_p = f_p^{(0)} (1 \pm f_p^{(0)}) \phi_p$$

The collision operator in linear order becomes:

$$C[f] = -\mathcal{L}[\phi] = \int d\Gamma_{p_1} d\Gamma_{p'} d\Gamma_{p'_1} f_p^{(0)} f_{p_1}^{(0)} (1 \pm f_{p'}^{(0)}) (1 \pm f_{p'_1}^{(0)}) [\phi_p + \phi_{p_1} - \phi_{p'} - \phi_{p'_1}] W(p' p'_1 | p p_1)$$

Properties of the linearized collision operator:

Self-Adjoint

Microscopic Conservation

Summation Invariant

$$\int d\Gamma_p \psi \mathcal{L}[\phi] = \int d\Gamma_p \phi \mathcal{L}[\psi] \quad \mathcal{L}[a + b_\mu p^\mu] = 0 \quad \int d\Gamma_p \mathcal{L}[\phi] = 0, \quad \int d\Gamma_p p^\mu \mathcal{L}[\phi] = 0$$

The out-of-equilibrium distribution function

In general, the out-of-equilibrium distribution function can be expressed as

[S. R. de Groot, Relativistic Kinetic Theory](#)

$$\phi^{(r)} = \sum_l A_l^{(r)} X^{(r)l} + \sum_m B_m^{(r)\mu} Y_\mu^{(r)m} + \sum_n C_n^{(r)\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu}^{(r)n}$$

❖ *Field gradients:* $X^{(r)l}, Y_\mu^{(r)m}, Z_{\mu\nu}^{(r)n}$

❖ *The unknown coefficients:* $A_l^{(r)}, B_m^{(r)\mu}, C_n^{(r)\mu\nu}$

The unknown coefficients are the function of space-time, particle momentum, rest mass and temperature. We expand the coefficients a polynomial basis as:

$$A_l^{(r)} = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} A_l^{r,s}(z, x) P_s^{(0)} \quad B_m^{(r)\mu} = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} B_m^{r,s}(z, x) P_s^{(1)} \tilde{p}^{(\mu)} \quad C_n^{(r)\mu\nu} = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} C_n^{r,s}(z, x) P_s^{(2)} \tilde{p}^{(\mu} \tilde{p}^{\nu)}$$

Hydrodynamic Frame

General hydrodynamic frame or general matching conditions:

$$\int dF_p \tilde{E}_p^i \phi = 0, \quad \int dF_p \tilde{E}_p^j \phi = 0, \quad \int dF_p \tilde{E}_p^k \tilde{p}^{\langle \mu \rangle} \phi = 0$$

For Landau-Lifshitz (LL) frame $(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}) = (2, 1, 1)$ and for Eckart frame $(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}, \mathbf{k}) = (2, 1, 0)$.

For the properties of linearized collision operator, we can't determine homogeneous solutions from transport equation. Using **general matching** conditions we calculate the **homogeneous part**:

$$A_l^{r,0} = -\frac{1}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{0,1}} \sum_{s=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{s,1} A_l^{r,s}, \quad A_l^{r,1} = -\frac{1}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{1,0}} \sum_{s=2}^{\infty} \mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{s,0} A_l^{r,s}, \quad B_m^{r,0} = -\frac{1}{J_k} \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} J_{k+s} B_m^{r,s}$$

The rests are known as **inhomogeneous/interaction** solution can be estimated from the transport equation.

$$\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{m,n} = I_{i+m} I_{j+n} - I_{i+n} I_{j+m} \quad I_n = \int dF_p \tilde{E}_p^n, \quad \Delta^{\mu\nu} J_n = \int dF_p \tilde{p}^{\langle \mu \rangle} \tilde{p}^{\langle \nu \rangle} \tilde{E}_p^n$$

Homogeneous and Inhomogeneous Solution

The entire out-of-equilibrium distribution function for any order can be determined separately for **frame (homogeneous)** and **interaction (inhomogeneous)** parts as:

$$\phi^{(r)} = \phi_{\text{int}}^{(r)} + \phi_{\text{h}}^{(r)}$$

The homogeneous part:

$$\phi_{\text{h}}^{(r)} = -\tilde{E}_{\text{p}} \left[\frac{I_j}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{1,0}} \int dF_{\text{p}} \tilde{E}_{\text{p}}^i \phi_{\text{int}}^{(r)} + (i \leftrightarrow j) \right] - \left[\frac{I_{j+1}}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{0,1}} \int dF_{\text{p}} \tilde{E}_{\text{p}}^i \phi_{\text{int}}^{(r)} + (i \leftrightarrow j) \right] - \frac{\tilde{p}^{(\nu)}}{J_k} \int dF_{\text{p}} \tilde{E}_{\text{p}}^k \tilde{p}^{(\nu)} \phi_{\text{int}}^{(r)}$$

The inhomogeneous/interaction part:

$$\phi_{\text{int}}^{(r)} = \sum_l \sum_{s=2}^{\infty} A_l^{r,s} P_s^{(0)} X^{(r)l} + \sum_m \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} B_m^{r,s} P_s^{(1)} \tilde{p}^{(\mu)} Y_{\mu}^{(r)m} + \sum_n \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} C_n^{r,s} P_s^{(2)} \tilde{p}^{(\mu)} \tilde{p}^{(\nu)} Z_{\mu\nu}^{(r)n}$$

Tensor decomposition of energy-momentum and particle current

General expressions for energy-momentum tensor and particle four-current:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\epsilon_0 + \delta\epsilon) u^\mu u^\nu - (P_0 + \delta P) \Delta^{\mu\nu} + (W^\mu u^\nu + W^\nu u^\mu) + \pi^{\mu\nu} \quad N^\mu = (n_0 + \delta n) u^\mu + V^\mu$$

In kinetic theory, the energy-momentum tensor and particle four-current defined as:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \int d\Gamma_p p^\mu p^\nu f(x, p) \quad N^\mu = \int d\Gamma_p p^\mu f(x, p)$$

From the general tensor decomposition it follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_0 &= \int d\Gamma_p E_p^2 f_p^{(0)} & n_0 &= \int d\Gamma_p E_p f_p^{(0)} \\ W^\mu &= \int d\Gamma_p E_p p^{\langle\mu\rangle} \delta f_p & V^\mu &= \int d\Gamma_p p^{\langle\mu\rangle} \delta f_p \end{aligned}$$

System Dynamics

We use the **momentum-dependent** relaxation time approximation (MDRTA) for solving the relativistic transport equation as a model study.

$$\tilde{p}^\mu \partial_\mu f = -\frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} f^{(0)} (1 \pm f^{(0)}) \phi_{\text{int}} \quad \tau_R(x, p) = \tau_R^0(x) \tilde{E}_p^\Lambda$$

[K. Dusling et al., PRC 81, 034907 \(2010\)](#)
[G. S. Rocha et al., PRL 127, 042301 \(2021\)](#)
[S. Mitra, PRC 103, 014905 \(2021\)](#)
[D. Dash et al., PLB 831, 137202 \(2022\)](#)

Appropriate collision kernel:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{MDRTA}}[\phi] = \frac{(p \cdot u)}{\tau_R} f^{(0)} (1 \pm f^{(0)}) \left[\phi - \frac{\langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \tilde{E}_p^2 \rangle \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \phi \rangle - \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \tilde{E}_p \rangle \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \phi \tilde{E}_p \rangle}{\langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \rangle \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \tilde{E}_p^2 \rangle - \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \tilde{E}_p \rangle^2} - \tilde{E}_p \frac{\langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \tilde{E}_p \rangle \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \phi \rangle - \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \rangle \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \phi \tilde{E}_p \rangle}{\langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \tilde{E}_p \rangle^2 - \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \rangle \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \tilde{E}_p^2 \rangle} - \tilde{p}^{\langle \nu \rangle} \frac{\langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \phi \tilde{p}^{\langle \nu \rangle} \rangle}{\frac{1}{3} \langle \frac{\tilde{E}_p}{\tau_R} \tilde{p}^{\langle \mu \rangle} \tilde{p}_{\langle \mu \rangle} \rangle} \right]$$

The inhomogeneous/interaction part:

[Rocha et al., arXiv: 2205.00078](#)

$$\phi_{\text{int}}^{(1)} = -\tau_R^0 \tilde{E}_p^{\Lambda-1} \left[\tilde{E}_p^2 \frac{DT}{T} + \tilde{E}_p D\tilde{\mu} + \left(\frac{\tilde{E}_p^2}{3} - \frac{z^2}{3} \right) (\partial \cdot u) + \tilde{E}_p \tilde{p}^{\langle \mu \rangle} \left(\frac{\nabla_\mu T}{T} - Du_\mu \right) + \tilde{p}^{\langle \mu \rangle} \nabla_\mu \tilde{\mu} - \tilde{p}^{\langle \mu \rangle} \tilde{p}^{\langle \nu \rangle} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \right]$$

First-Order Field Redefinition

The first-order thermodynamic field corrections in a general frame written as:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta\epsilon^{(1)} &= \varepsilon_1 \frac{DT}{T} + \varepsilon_2 (\partial \cdot u) + \varepsilon_3 D\tilde{\mu} \\ \delta P^{(1)} &= \pi_1 \frac{DT}{T} + \pi_2 (\partial \cdot u) + \pi_3 D\tilde{\mu} \\ V^{(1)\mu} &= \gamma_1 \left(\frac{\nabla^\mu T}{T} - Du^\mu \right) + \gamma_3 \nabla^\mu \tilde{\mu}\end{aligned}$$

[F. S. Bemfica et al., PRD 98, 104064 \(2018\)](#)

[F. S. Bemfica et al., PRD 100, 104020 \(2019\)](#)

[P. Kovtun, JHEP 10, 034 \(2019\)](#)

$$\begin{aligned}\delta n^{(1)} &= \nu_1 \frac{DT}{T} + \nu_2 (\partial \cdot u) + \nu_3 D\tilde{\mu} \\ W^{(1)\mu} &= \theta_1 \left(\frac{\nabla^\mu T}{T} - Du^\mu \right) + \theta_3 \nabla^\mu \tilde{\mu}\end{aligned}$$

Not **all transport coefficients are invariant** under the general first-order field redefinition, the invariant ones are:

$$f_i = \pi_i - \varepsilon_i \left(\frac{\partial P_0}{\partial \epsilon_0} \right)_{n_0} - \nu_i \left(\frac{\partial P_0}{\partial n_0} \right)_{\epsilon_0}$$

$$l_i = \gamma_i - \frac{n_0}{\epsilon_0 + P_0} \theta_i$$

$$\zeta = -f_2 + \left(\frac{\partial P_0}{\partial \epsilon_0} \right)_{n_0} f_1 + \frac{1}{T} \left(\frac{\partial P_0}{\partial n_0} \right)_{\epsilon_0} f_3$$

$$k_n = l_3 - \frac{n_0 T}{\epsilon_0 + P_0} l_1$$

η

The detailed expressions of bulk and shear viscosity and heat conductivity are given in

[S. Mitra, PRC 105, 014902 \(2022\)](#)

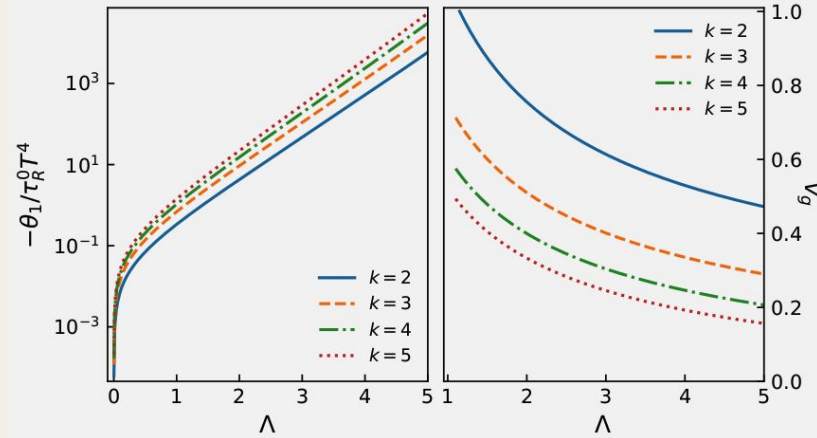
Shear Channel

The *stability criteria* is:

$$\theta_1 = -\tau_R^0 T^2 \left(J_{\Lambda+1} + \frac{\epsilon_0 + P_0}{T^2} \frac{J_{k+\Lambda}}{J_k} \right) < 0$$

The *causality criteria* is:

$$v_g = \sqrt{\frac{\eta}{\theta}} < 1 \quad \text{Here} \quad \theta = -\theta_1$$



For certain range of microscopic interactions, the shear channel become acausal.

Sound Channel

Using **Routh-Hurwitz criteria**, we find the following conditions for **stability** of the sound channel are:

$$A_6 > 0 , A_5 > 0 , A_3^0 > 0 , B_2 = (A_4^0 A_5 - A_3^0 A_6) / A_5 > 0$$

All A_i are function of the **transport coefficients**. Here we show few transport coefficients:

$$\varepsilon_1 = \tau_R^0 \left[\frac{\partial \varepsilon_0}{\partial \tilde{\mu}} \frac{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{\Lambda+1,1}}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{0,1}} + T \frac{\partial \varepsilon_0}{\partial T} \frac{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{\Lambda+1,0}}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{1,0}} - T^2 I_{\Lambda+3} \right]$$

$$\varepsilon_3 = \tau_R^0 \left[\frac{\partial \varepsilon_0}{\partial \tilde{\mu}} \frac{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{\Lambda,1}}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{0,1}} + T \frac{\partial \varepsilon_0}{\partial T} \frac{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{\Lambda,0}}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{1,0}} - T^2 I_{\Lambda+2} \right]$$

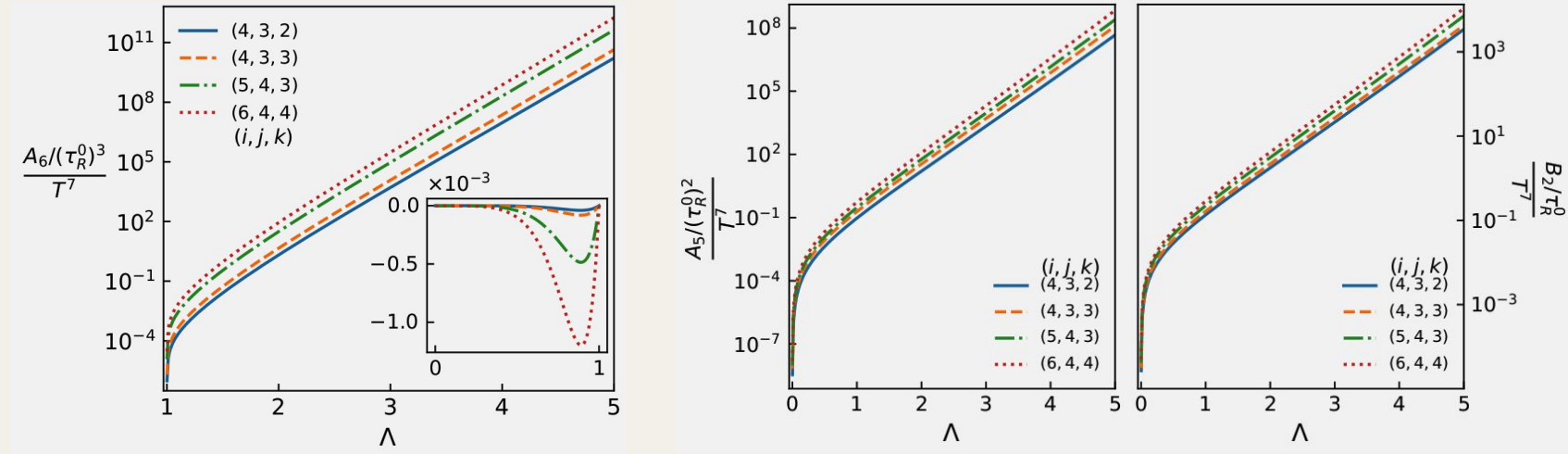
$$\nu_1 = \tau_R^0 \left[\frac{\partial n_0}{\partial \tilde{\mu}} \frac{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{\Lambda+1,1}}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{0,1}} + T \frac{\partial n_0}{\partial T} \frac{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{\Lambda+1,0}}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{1,0}} - T I_{\Lambda+2} \right]$$

$$\nu_3 = \tau_R^0 \left[\frac{\partial n_0}{\partial \tilde{\mu}} \frac{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{\Lambda,1}}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{0,1}} + T \frac{\partial n_0}{\partial T} \frac{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{\Lambda,0}}{\mathcal{D}_{i,j}^{1,0}} - T I_{\Lambda+1} \right]$$

- ε_1, ν_1 vanish both for $i=1, j=2$ (LL+Eckart) for all Λ , and also at $\Lambda = 0$ for all frame.
- ε_3, ν_3 obey the same but also vanish for $\Lambda = 1$ at all frames.

Sound Channel

The coefficients make A_5 and A_4^0 vanish for $\Lambda = 0$ and A_6 vanish for both $\Lambda = 0$ and 1 at any frame.



Also the stability of sound modes becomes unstable for certain range of microscopic interactions.

Conclusion

- ❖ *A first-order, relativistic stable and causal hydrodynamic theory has been derived in a general frame from the Boltzmann transport equation*
- ❖ *We have shown that in order to hold stability and causality at first-order theories, besides a general frame, the system interactions need to be carefully taken into account.*
- ❖ *The conventional momentum independent RTA leads to acausality in general frame.*

Thank You!!