

Holography, Finite-temperature QFT and Hydrodynamics

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Motivation: we would like to understand physical properties of macroscopic systems based on their microscopic description ("from first principles").

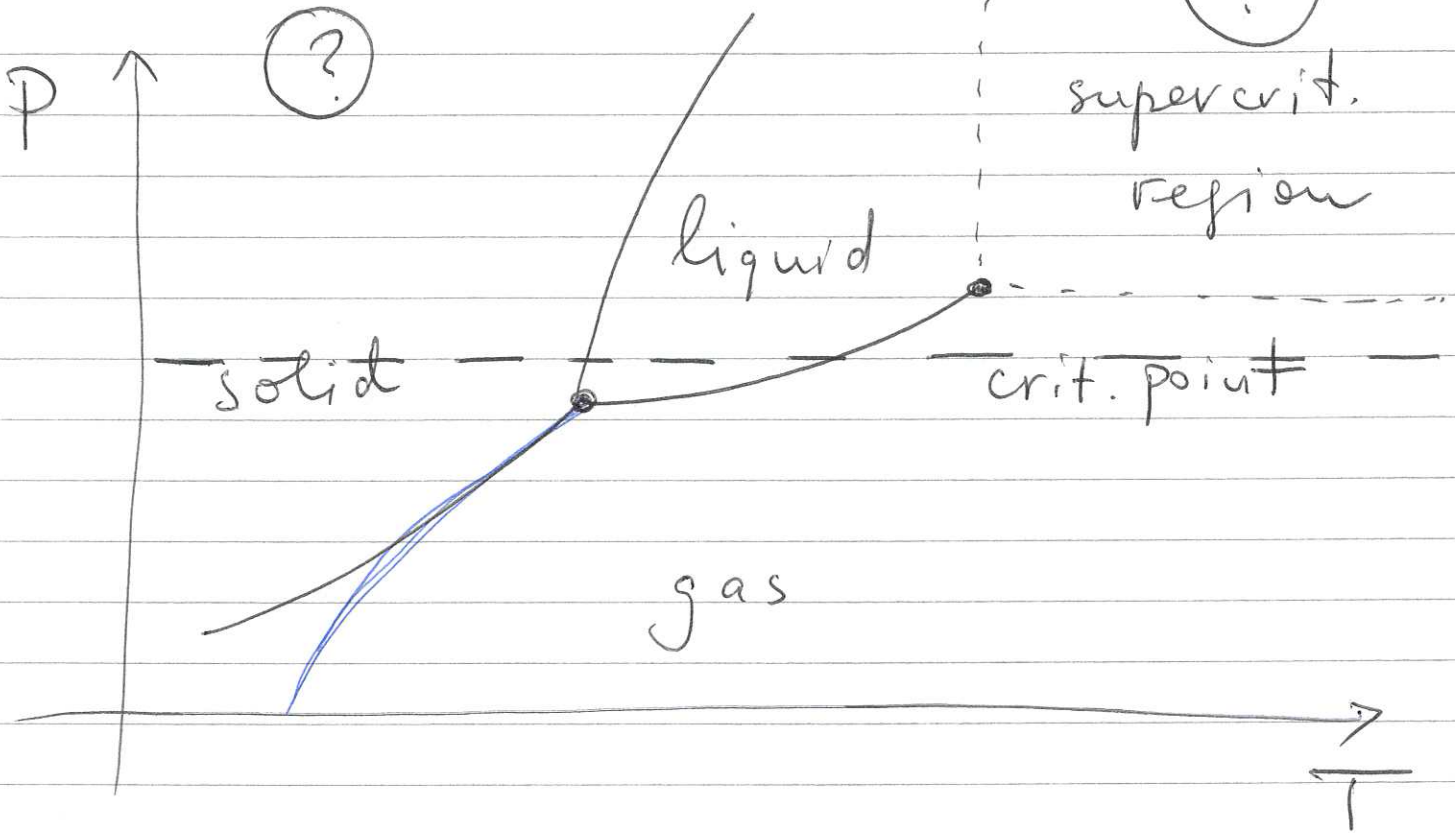
Example: glass of water (or atmosphere of Jupiter)

- Thermodynamic properties (phase transitions, specific heat, speed of sound - eq. of state etc)
- Transport properties (viscosity, conductivity, diffusion const. etc)

Description from first principles implies that, given \mathcal{L} (or \mathcal{H}), one can compute all thermodynamics ($\Omega = -T \ln Z$, $Z = \text{tr } \hat{\rho}$) and transport ($Z_0 [JJ]$)

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Phase diagram



H₂O: crit. point $T_c \approx 373.95 \text{ C}$
 $P_c \approx 221 \text{ atm}$

Linear resistivity of "strange metals" at low T

Landau Fermi-liquid th. $\Rightarrow \rho \sim T^2$
for metals (almost all)

"Strange metals" $\rho \sim T$

Here $\hat{\rho} = e^{-\beta \hat{H} + \mu_\alpha \hat{Q}_\alpha}$ equilibrium ⁽²⁾
density matrix
operator, $\beta = 1/T$

\hat{Q}_α : conserved charges : $\dot{\hat{Q}}_\alpha = 0$

Note: in non-relativ. systems we usually have $\hat{Q} = \hat{N}$ (number of particles). In relativ. interacting systems \hat{N} is not conserved, but there are other charges,

e.g. $Q_B = \frac{1}{3} (n_q - n_{\bar{q}})$.

Note: $Z_\theta [J] = \text{tr} \hat{\rho} e^{\int \hat{\mathcal{O}} J}$ - generating functional for correlation functions of some operator $\hat{\mathcal{O}}$ of interest. Transport

coefficients can be computed from these correlators via Green-Kubo formulae.

$$\langle \hat{\mathcal{O}} \rangle_T = \left. \frac{\delta Z_\theta [J]}{\delta J} \right|_{J=0} \quad \text{etc}$$

Can also write $\langle \hat{\mathcal{O}} \rangle_T = \text{tr} \hat{\rho} \hat{\mathcal{O}}$.

It seems we have all tools we need.

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Linear response theory

$$\hat{H}_0 \rightarrow \hat{H}_0 + \delta \hat{H}$$

$$\delta \hat{H} = - \int d^d x \lambda_a(t, \bar{x}) \hat{\mathcal{O}}_a(t, \bar{x})$$

$$\delta \langle \hat{\mathcal{O}}_a(t, \bar{x}) \rangle = - \int dt' \int d^d x' \mathcal{G}_{ab}^R(t-t', \bar{x}-\bar{x}') \lambda_b(t', \bar{x}')$$

Here:

$$\mathcal{G}_{ab}^R(t-t', \bar{x}-\bar{x}') = -i \theta(t-t') \langle [\hat{\mathcal{O}}_a(t, \bar{x}), \hat{\mathcal{O}}_b(t', \bar{x}')] \rangle$$

In Fourier space,

$$\delta \langle \hat{\mathcal{O}}_a(\omega, \bar{q}) \rangle = - \mathcal{G}_{ab}^R(\omega, \bar{q}) \lambda_b(\omega, \bar{q})$$

See e.g. Le Bellac or Kovtun 1205.5040

E.g.: $\hat{\mathcal{O}} = \hat{j}^\mu$ or $\hat{T}^{\mu\nu}$ (conserved charges)Then $\lambda = A_\mu$ or $h_{\mu\nu}$

Indeed, this works very well in textbook examples.

Example: N diatomic molecules in $d_s = 3$ dim. (H_2 or N_2 etc)

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{p_i^2}{2m} + H_{\text{internal}, i} \right) + \sum_{i < j} U(i, j)$$

$$H_{\text{int}} = H_{\text{rot}} + H_{\text{osc}} + H_{\text{electr}} + \dots$$

↑
ideal gas approx.

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$$Z = Z_0 Z_{\text{internal}}^N$$

↖ harmonic osc. approx.

$$Z_{\text{int}} = Z_{\text{rot}} Z_{\text{osc}} Z_{\text{electr}}$$

(Z_0 : monoatom ideal gas)

$$Z_{\text{osc}} = \text{tr } \hat{\rho} = \sum_n \langle n | e^{-\beta \hat{H}_{\text{osc}}} | n \rangle$$

$$\hat{H}_{\text{osc}} | n \rangle = E_n | n \rangle \quad E_n = \hbar \omega (n + 1/2)$$

$n = 0, 1, \dots$

$$Z_{\text{osc}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-\beta \hbar \omega n} e^{-\beta \hbar \omega / 2} = \frac{1}{2 \sinh \frac{\beta \hbar \omega}{2}}$$

$$Z_{\text{rot}} : E_{lm} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2I} l(l+1)$$

$$l = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$m = -l, \dots, l$$

$$Z_{\text{rot}} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l e^{-\frac{\hbar^2}{2I} \beta l(l+1)}$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) e^{-\frac{\hbar^2}{2I} \beta l(l+1)}$$

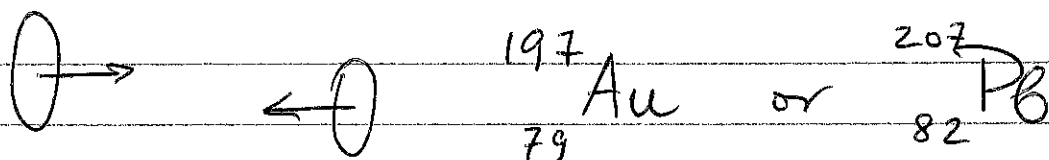
This is already rather complicated...

Taking into account interactions is even more difficult. Can be systematically done for dilute systems (kinetic theory), essentially ignoring 3- and higher-body interactions, but not for liquids or dense gases (plasmas)

How about quark-gluon plasma?

Heavy ion collisions (RHIC, LHC, NICA, FAIR) produce QGP in the lab...

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Crude estimate of energy density:

- Energy of the beam (RHIC) $\sim 200 \text{ GeV/nucleon}$
- Number of nucleons ~ 200
- $R_{\text{Au}} \sim 7 \text{ fm}$ ($1 \text{ fm} = 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$)

$$E_{\text{TOT}} \sim 200 \frac{\text{GeV}}{\text{nucleon}} \cdot 200 \text{ nucleons} \sim 4 \cdot 10^4 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\epsilon \sim E_{\text{TOT}} / V_3 \sim \frac{40000 \text{ GeV}}{\frac{4}{3} \pi 7^3 \text{ fm}^3} \sim 30 \frac{\text{GeV}}{\text{fm}^3}$$

More precise estimates give $\epsilon \sim 5 \text{ GeV/fm}^3$

- Properties of nuclear matter - ? Phase trans.?
Equation of state?

- Also, need transport properties: nuclear "droplet" can be described by relativ.

Navier-Stokes eqs. The eqs. are the same for different systems but differ by values of transport coeff in them.

Thermodynamics and transport in QCD from first principles

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi} (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m) \psi$$

$$Z = \text{tr} e^{-\beta \hat{H} + \mu \hat{Q}} : \text{can be represented as functional integral}$$

$$\Omega = -T \ln Z \Rightarrow \text{all TD is known}$$

e.g.
$$p = - \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial V} \Big|_{T, \mu} \quad (\text{pressure})$$

$$S = - \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial T} \Big|_{V, \mu} \quad (\text{entropy})$$

Parameters of QCD: $N_c = 3$ ($SU(N_c)$ colour group)

$N_f = 6$ (number of quarks)

g_{YM} is not a fixed parameter -

- changes with energy: $\alpha_s = g_{YM}^2 / 4\pi \rightarrow 0$
at $E \rightarrow \infty$ (asymptotic freedom)

More precisely, with $E/\Lambda_{QCD} \rightarrow \infty$

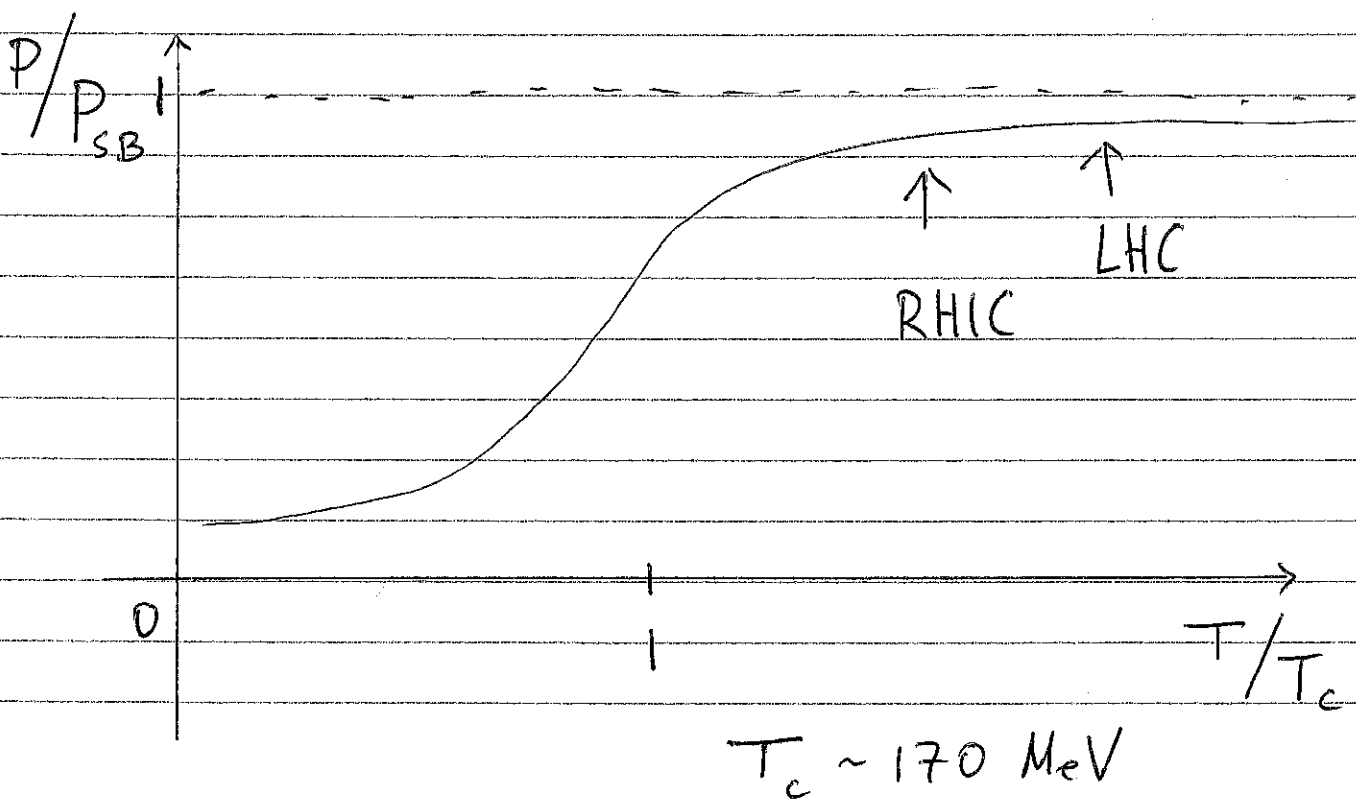
Thus, expect free (ideal) gas of quarks and gluons at $T \rightarrow \infty$

Exercise: show that

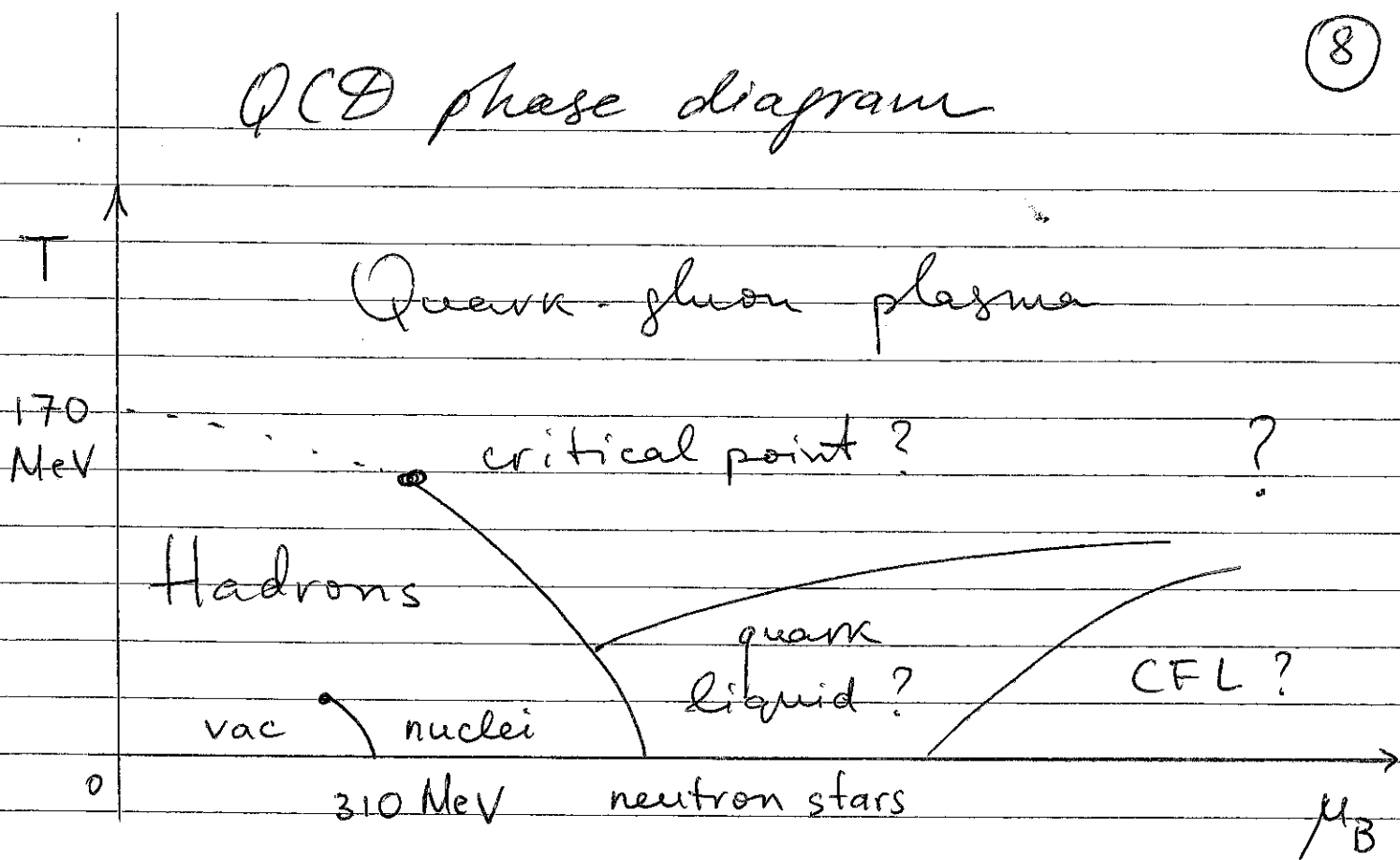
$$P_{SB} = \frac{8\pi^2}{45} \left(1 + \frac{21}{32} N_f\right) T^4 + O(m^2 T^2)$$

↳ Stefan-Boltzmann (ideal gas).

For $\alpha_s \ll 1$, can compute $P = P_{SB} + O(\alpha_s)$ by perturb. theory (this is difficult - see books by Kapusta-Gale and Laine-Vuorinen). For $\alpha_s \gtrsim 1$, can use Lattice QCD



QCD phase diagram



Transport in QCD from firsts principles

Effective theory for QCD at $T, \mu \neq 0$
 at large dist. and large times = fluid dynamics

Equilibrium: $\mathbf{F} = \text{const}, Q = \text{const}$

Near-eg: $\epsilon(t, \bar{x}) = E/V \quad \rho(t, \bar{x}) = Q/V$

densities of conserved charges

More precisely, $\langle \hat{T}^{\mu\nu} \rangle \equiv T^{\mu\nu}(t, \bar{x})$
 - non-triv. function

exp. value in any state,
 e. s. non-eg

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In equil., $\langle \hat{T}^{\mu\nu} \rangle_{T, \mu} = \text{tr} \hat{\rho} \hat{T}^{\mu\nu} =$

$$= T_{eq}^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & 0 \\ 0 & P P_P \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

For isotropic homop. system in its ref frame

If the system moves with $\vec{u}^M = (\gamma c, \gamma \vec{v})$, ^{constant}

$$T_{eq}^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^M u^\nu + P \Delta^{\mu\nu}, \quad (2)$$

where $\eta_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(-1, +1, +1, +1)$, $c=1$,

$$\Delta^{\mu\nu} \equiv \eta^{\mu\nu} + u^M u^\nu \quad (u_\mu \Delta^{\mu\nu} = 0)$$

Exercise: Derive (2) using (1)

Exercise: Show that $\Delta_{\mu\nu} \Delta^\nu{}_\sigma = \Delta_{\mu\sigma}$

Note: $\Delta^{\mu\nu}$ serves as a projector, so

$$T_{eq}^{\mu\nu} = T_{||}^{\mu\nu} + T_{\perp}^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^M u^\nu + P \Delta^{\mu\nu}$$

We now assume $u^M = u^M(x)$. Then

$T^{\mu\nu}$ will contain derivatives of $u^M(x)$.

Assume the gradients $\partial_\mu u_\nu$ are in some sense small \rightarrow grad. expansion

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T_0^{\mu\nu} + T_1^{\mu\nu} + \dots (\partial^2)$$

$$T_0^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu + p \Delta^{\mu\nu}$$

$$T_1^{\mu\nu} = -\eta \Delta^{\mu\alpha} \Delta^{\nu\beta} \left(\partial_\alpha u_\beta + \partial_\beta u_\alpha - \frac{2}{d} \gamma_{\alpha\beta} \partial_\lambda u^\lambda \right) - \zeta \Delta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\lambda u^\lambda$$

Note: this can be generalised to curved space-time by replacing $\gamma_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow g_{\alpha\beta}$ (and $\partial_\alpha \rightarrow \nabla_\alpha$).

This is known as κ -th order grad. expansion in hydrodynamics. Also as constitutive relation (see below).

Combining $\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$ with $T^{\mu\nu} = T_0^{\mu\nu} + \dots$

gives (relativistic) Euler ($\kappa=0$),

Navier-Stokes ($\kappa=1$), Burnett ($\kappa=2$)

etc equations

Exercise: derive rel. Navier-Stokes eqs this way. Consider non-rel. limit.

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Similar eqs can be written in case of a conserved current J^μ :

$$\partial_\mu j^\mu = 0$$
$$j^\mu = j_0^\mu + j_1^\mu + \dots = \rho u^\mu - D \Delta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \rho + \dots$$

convection diffusion

In fluid's rest frame, $j^\mu = -D \partial_\mu \rho$
- Fick's law of diffusion

Hydro \Leftrightarrow d.o.f. = densities of conserved charges (e.g. ρ). E.o.m. =
= conservation laws (e.g. $\partial_\mu j^\mu = 0$)
⊕ constitutive relat. (e.g. $j^\mu = -D \partial^\mu \rho + \dots$)
 $\Rightarrow \partial_t \rho + D \nabla^2 \rho = 0$ (diffusion eq)

Note: hydro of 1st and 2nd order is known; 3rd order is partially known. Open (simple) question - number of transport coeff at \forall order k :?

Now recall linear response formula
(with $\hat{O} = \hat{T}_{xy}$ and \vec{q} along z)

$$\delta T_{xy}(\omega, \vec{q}) = -\epsilon_{xy, xy}^R(\omega, \vec{q}) h_{xy}(\omega, \vec{q}),$$

where h_{xy} is the metric perturbation

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$

with $h_{xy} \neq 0$ only (grav. wave of certain polarisation). 0704.0240

But for small $\omega, |\vec{q}|$, we have

explicit expressions for $\delta T_{xy} = \overline{T_{xy}} - \overline{T_{xy}^{eq}}$

$$\delta T_{xy} = -2\eta T_{xy}^t = -\eta \partial_t h_{xy} + \eta \overline{T_{\pi}} \partial_{tt}^2 h_{xy} + \dots$$

With $h_{xy} \sim e^{-i\omega t}$ (and $\vec{q}=0$);

$$i\omega \eta h_{xy} = -\epsilon_{xy, xy}^R(\omega, 0) h_{xy}$$

More general
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$$\Rightarrow \epsilon_{xy, xy}^R(\omega, 0) = -i\eta\omega + O(\omega^2)$$

Kubo

$$\Rightarrow \eta = -\lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\omega} \text{Im} \epsilon_{xy, xy}^R(\omega, 0)$$