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Hydrodynamics  
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Lecture 23

Hydrodynamics from kinetic theory

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Today: viscous hydro from kinetic theory  
in linear response (infinitesimally close to thermal eq.)

Parameterize:  $f(x, p) = \exp[-\beta(\epsilon(p) - \mu_{th} - \Phi(x, p))]$   
 $\approx f_{eq}(p) - \frac{\partial f_{eq}}{\partial \epsilon} \Phi + \dots \approx f_{eq}(1 + \beta \Phi)$

Similar ansatz for quantum Boltzmann ... [Take  $H_1 = \epsilon(p)$   
 Plug into Boltzmann equation & keep linear order in  $\Phi$ :

$$\partial_t (\beta f_{eq} \Phi) + \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (\beta f_{eq} \Phi) = \int d^d p_2 d^d p_1' d^d p_2' R(p_1' p_2' \rightarrow p p_2) \times$$

$$\beta \left[ \underbrace{f_{eq}(p_1') f_{eq}(p_2')}_{\text{equal}} (\Phi(p_1') + \Phi(p_2')) - \underbrace{f_{eq}(p) f_{eq}(p_2)} (\Phi(p) + \Phi(p_2)) \right]$$

this line equals  $\rightarrow \beta f_{eq}(p_1') f_{eq}(p_2') [\Phi(p_1') + \Phi(p_2') - \Phi(p) - \Phi(p_2)]$

Looks bad... "integro-differential equation":  
 Where does hydro come from?

Idea:  $\Phi(x, p) = \underbrace{\delta \mu(x) + \delta v_i(x) p_i - \frac{\delta \beta(x)}{\beta} \epsilon(p)}_{\text{hydro modes}} + \underbrace{\delta c_{ij}(x) p_i p_j + \dots}_{\text{non-hydro modes}}$

Goal: show that Boltzmann "efficiently approximated" by hydro modes:

Because equations are linear in  $\Phi$ , ... linear algebra!

Useful to think about:

$$\int d^d p \bar{\Psi}(p) \beta f_{eq}^{(W)} \left[ \partial_t \Phi + \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x_i} + \dots \right] = 0 \text{ for any } \Psi(p)$$

Define inner product:

$$\langle \Psi(p) | \Omega(p) \rangle = \langle \Psi | \Omega \rangle = \int d^d p \overbrace{\beta f_{eq}(p)}^{-\frac{\partial f_{eq}}{\partial \epsilon}} \Psi(p) \Omega(p)$$

$$\partial_t \langle \Psi | \Phi(x, t) \rangle + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \langle \Psi | \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial p_i} | \Phi \rangle + \langle \Psi | W | \Phi \rangle = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial p_i} | \Phi \rangle = | \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial p_i} \Phi \rangle$$

$W =$  linearized collision integral

$W$  is positive semidefinite & (Lec 22) if [inv + time-rev.] - symmetry:

$$W = W^T$$

$$\langle \Phi | W | \Phi \rangle = \int d^d p_1 d^d p_2 d^d p'_1 d^d p'_2 Q(p_1, p'_1 \rightarrow p_2, p'_2) \frac{\beta f_{eq}(p_1) f_{eq}(p'_1)}{4} [\Phi(p_1) + \Phi(p'_1) - \Phi(p_2) - \Phi(p'_2)]^2$$

To reproduce old:  $\frac{\delta}{\delta \Psi(p)} [\partial_t \langle \Psi | \Phi \rangle + \dots \langle \Psi | W | \Phi \rangle = 0]$

Zero modes / null vectors of  $W$  are associated w/ conserved q's.

$$\Phi(p'_1) + \Phi(p'_2) = \Phi(p_1) + \Phi(p_2) \text{ if } Q(p_1, p'_1 \rightarrow p_2, p'_2) \neq 0.$$

Recap:  $\cancel{\partial_t} | \Phi \rangle + ik_i v_i | \Phi \rangle + W | \Phi \rangle = 0$   
 $\hookrightarrow v_i = \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial p_i}$

Q Normal modes of kinetic theory are eigenvectors...

$\hookrightarrow$  hydrodynamic modes:  $\omega(k) \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow 0$ .

can we classify these?

Let's start w/  $k_i=0$ :  $-i\omega|\Phi\rangle = W|\Phi\rangle$ .  
 hydro mode  $\leftrightarrow$  null vector of  $W$ .

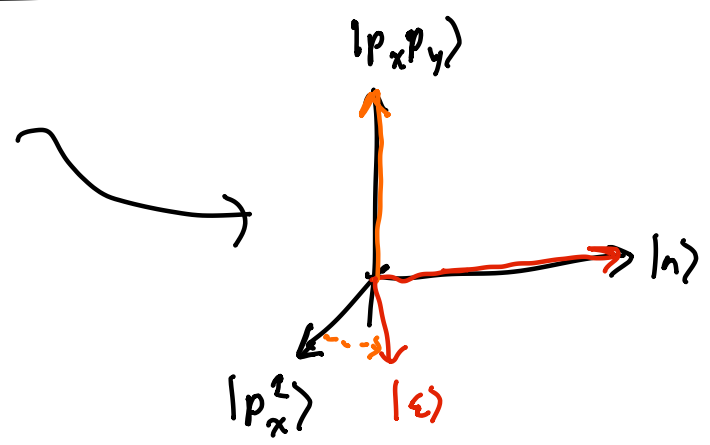
Since  $W$  is positive semidefinite:  
 $W = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & \frac{1}{\tau_1}, \frac{1}{\tau_2}, \dots \end{pmatrix}$   
 $\omega=0$   $\leftarrow$  hydro modes (slow)  
 non-hydro (fast)

For ordinary (Galilean-invariant) gas:  $d+2$  null vectors

- $|n\rangle$   $\Phi = 1$  (particle number)
- $|p_i\rangle$   $\Phi = p_i$  (momentum)
- $|\epsilon\rangle$   $\Phi = \epsilon(p) = p^2/2m$  (energy)

What happens if  $k \neq 0$ :

$$|\Phi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} |\Phi_S\rangle \\ |\Phi_F\rangle \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{hydro} \\ \text{not hydro} \end{matrix}$$



$$\partial_t |\Phi\rangle + i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{V} |\Phi\rangle + W |\Phi\rangle = 0$$

abstract  $\hookrightarrow -i\omega \begin{pmatrix} |\Phi_S\rangle \\ |\Phi_F\rangle \end{pmatrix} + i\vec{k} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} V_{SS} & V_{SF} \\ V_{FS} & V_{FF} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\Phi_S\rangle \\ |\Phi_F\rangle \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & W_F \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\Phi_S\rangle \\ |\Phi_F\rangle \end{pmatrix}$

Take hydro dynamic limit  $\omega, k \rightarrow 0$ :

$$\cancel{-i\omega |\Phi_F\rangle} + i\vec{k} \cdot V_{fS} |\Phi_S\rangle + \cancel{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{V}_{ff} |\Phi_F\rangle} + W_f |\Phi_F\rangle = 0.$$

$\omega \ll 1/\tau$   $kV_{typ} \ll 1/\tau$   $\hookrightarrow W_f^{-1}$  exists

so  $|\Phi_F\rangle \approx -iW_f^{-1} \vec{k} \cdot \vec{V}_{fS} |\Phi_S\rangle \sim \mathcal{O}(k)$  out of equilibrium.

$$[-i\omega + i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{V}_{ss} + i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{V}_{sf} (-iW_f^{-1} \vec{k} \cdot \vec{V}_{fs})] |\Phi_S\rangle = 0.$$

$$[-i\omega + i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{V}_{ss} + W'] |\Phi_S\rangle = 0$$

where effective collision integral  $W' = k_i k_j (V_i)_{sf} W_f^{-1} (V_j)_{fs} \sim k^2$

Finite-dimensional problem for hydro modes!

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Let's explicitly calculate  $V_{ss}$  &  $W'$  for ideal gas:

$$\text{Recall: } |\Phi_S\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} |n\rangle \\ |p_i\rangle \\ |\varepsilon\rangle \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} (1) \\ (p_i) \\ (p^2/2m) \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle n| \\ \langle p_i| \\ \langle \varepsilon| \end{pmatrix} [-i\omega + \underbrace{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{V}_{ss}} + W'] \left[ \delta_{\mu} |n\rangle + \delta_{\nu_i} |p\rangle + \frac{\delta T}{T} |\varepsilon\rangle \right] = 0.$$

$$\text{Notice: } \langle n | \Phi \rangle = \delta_{\mu} \langle n | n \rangle + \delta_{\nu_i} \langle n | p_i \rangle + \dots$$

$$= \int d^d p \beta f_{eq} \cdot 1 \cdot \Phi(p) = \int d^d p (f - f_{eq}) = \delta n$$

$$\text{similarly } \langle p_i | \Phi \rangle = \delta g_i \quad \langle \varepsilon | \Phi \rangle = \delta \varepsilon$$

$$\langle n | -i\omega | \Phi_S \rangle = -i\omega \delta n - \partial_t \delta n + \partial_i \delta J_i$$

$$\text{Inner products: } \langle n | n \rangle = \left. \frac{\partial n}{\partial \mu_{th}} \right|_{eq} = \chi_{nn} \text{ (thermodynamic susceptibility)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle n | \varepsilon \rangle = \chi_{n\varepsilon} &= \langle 1 | \frac{p^2}{2m} \rangle = \int d^d p \frac{p^2}{2m} \beta e^{-\beta(\frac{p^2}{2m} - \mu_{th})} \\ &= \frac{\beta}{2m} e^{\beta \mu_{th}} \left( \frac{2\pi m}{\beta} \right)^{d/2} \cdot \frac{m}{\beta} d = \frac{d}{2} n \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Our basis for slow modes NOT orthogonal.

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$$\vec{V} |n\rangle = \frac{\vec{p}}{m} |n\rangle = \frac{1}{m} |p_i\rangle. \quad \text{So } V_{ss} |n\rangle = \frac{1}{m} |p_i\rangle \text{ \& } V_{fs} |n\rangle = 0.$$

$$V_{fs} |n\rangle = 0 \text{ from Galilean boost sym...} \quad \delta J_i = \delta v_j \langle p_j | \frac{1}{m} |p_i\rangle$$

$$= \delta_{ij} n$$

continuity:  $-i\omega \delta n + ik_i n \delta v_i = 0$   $[\partial_t \delta n + \partial_i (n \delta v_i) = 0]$

$$V_i |p_j\rangle = \frac{1}{m} |p_i p_j\rangle = \frac{1}{m} \left[ \underbrace{|p_i p_j - \frac{1}{d} \delta_{ij} p^2\rangle}_{V_{fs}} + \underbrace{\frac{\delta_{ij}}{d} |p^2\rangle}_{\text{Slow}} \right]$$

$V_{fs} \rightarrow 2m|\epsilon\rangle$

rotation invariance  $\leftarrow$  fast  
 "Spin 2" irrep  $\rightarrow$  traceless / symmetric

$$\langle p_j | [-i\omega + ik_i (V_i)_{fs}] | \Phi_s \rangle = -i\omega n \delta v_j + \underbrace{\frac{ik_j}{d} 2 \langle \epsilon | \Phi_s \rangle}_{\text{slow}}$$

$$= ik_j [n \delta \mu + s \delta T] \rightarrow ik_j \delta P$$

using thermo from Lec 8.

Full Navier-Stokes w/ dissipation... :

$$\langle p_\ell | W' | \Phi_s \rangle = ? = k_j k_k \langle p_\ell | (V_k)_{sf} (W_f^{-1}) (V_j)_{fs} | p_i \rangle \delta v_i + \dots$$

by symmetry  $\delta$

$$= k_j k_k \left\langle \frac{p_k p_\ell - \frac{1}{d} \delta_{k\ell} p^2}{m} \middle| W_f^{-1} \middle| \frac{p_i p_j - \frac{1}{d} \delta_{ij} p^2}{m} \right\rangle \delta v_i$$

$\eta_{k\ell ji}$  (viscosity tensor)

$$-i\omega \delta g_\ell + ik_\ell \delta P + k_j k_k \eta_{k\ell ji} \delta v_i = 0 \text{ is linearized N-S.}$$

Notice  $\eta_{k\ell ji} = \eta (\delta_{kj} \delta_{\ell i} + \delta_{ki} \delta_{\ell j} - \frac{2}{d} \delta_{k\ell} \delta_{ij}) + 0 \cdot \delta_{ij} \delta_{k\ell}$

$\uparrow$  by rot. sym  $\downarrow$  bulk viscosity

Predict: classical gas (air) have bulk viscosity  $\neq 0$ .

Often invokes relaxation time approximation:

$$W_f^{-1} \approx \tau$$

$$\eta = \frac{\langle p_x p_y | W_f^{-1} | p_x p_y \rangle}{m^2} = \frac{\tau}{m^2} \int d^d p \beta f_{eq} p_x^2 p_y^2$$
$$= \frac{\beta \tau}{m^2} \left( \frac{m}{\rho} \right)^2 \cdot n = \tau n T = \frac{\tau P}{\text{mean free time}} \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \text{pressure} \end{matrix}$$

If  $\tau \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $\eta \rightarrow \infty$