Aspects of universality in gauge/gravity duality

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- Deviations
- Further examples

# Outline

- Fermionic analogue of shear viscosity
- Anisotropic holographic superfluids
- Universality in condensed matter
- Dynamically generated lattice in background magnetic field
- Slow-walking inflation

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# Supersymmetric hydrodynamics

- Describe the IR of a supersymmetric theory with SUSY breaking by temperature ("supersymmetric hydrodynamics") as the effective theory of the phonino and the normal fluid (Hoyos, Keren-Zur, Oz '12)
- No classical fermionic charges!
- The constitutive relation (Kovtun, Yaffe '03) with  $\rho = S^0$  (first order in the derivative expansion) is not changed by this interpretation!

$$S_{\rm diss}^i = -\mathbf{D}_{\rm s} \nabla^i \rho - \mathbf{D}_{\sigma} \sigma^{ij} \nabla_j \rho$$

- conformal:  $T^{\mu}_{\mu} = 0 \leftrightarrow \gamma^{\mu}S_{\mu} = 0 \leftrightarrow D_{s} = D_{\sigma}$
- However it has to be seen as a quantum-mechanical relation where ρ is the quantum phonino field!

## Constitutive relation

 In arbitrary space-time dimension d, reorder the constitutive relation according to representations of O(d − 1):

$$\begin{split} S_{\mathsf{diss}}^{i} &= -D_{3/2} \underbrace{\left( \delta_{j}^{i} - \frac{1}{d-1} \gamma^{i} \gamma_{j} \right)}_{\gamma^{i} \text{ irreducible } \leftrightarrow \text{ spin } 3/2} \nabla^{j} \rho - D_{1/2} \underbrace{\gamma^{i} \nabla^{j} \rho}_{\gamma^{i} \text{ "trace"}} \end{split}$$

completely analogous to

$$T_{\text{diss}}^{ij} = -\eta \underbrace{\left( \delta^{ik} \delta^{jl} + \delta^{jk} \delta^{il} - \frac{2}{d-1} \delta^{ij} \delta^{kl} \right)}_{\text{symmetric traceless} \leftrightarrow \text{spin } 2} \nabla^{k} u^{l} - \zeta \delta^{ij} \underbrace{\left( \nabla \cdot u \right)}_{\text{trace}}$$

• conformal:  $T^{\mu}_{\mu} = 0 \leftrightarrow \zeta = 0$  &  $\gamma^{\mu}S_{\mu} = 0 \leftrightarrow D_{1/2} = 0$ 

• expectation:  $D_{3/2}$ , rather than  $D_s$ , universal as  $\eta$  ?!

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Also: 
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## Universal absorption cross sections

Das, Gibbons, Mathur 1996

 Take a spherically symmetric, asymptotically flat, non-extremal black hole background:

$$ds^{2} = -f(r)dt^{2} + g(r)\left(dr^{2} + r^{2}d\Omega_{p}^{2}\right)$$

- Note that at the horizon  $f(r_H) = 0$  but  $g(r_H) \neq 0$ .
- Then for minimally coupled massless s-wave scalars in the low-energy limit  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ :

#### $\sigma_0 = A$

• Similarly, for minimally coupled massless Dirac fermions:

$$\sigma_{1/2} = 2g(r_H)^{-p/2}A$$

• This is twice the area of the horizon in a conformally related spatially flat space-time  $ds^2 = dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_p^2$ .

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### Constitutive relation, Kubo formula

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Holographic p-wave superfluids/superconductors

## Holographic p-wave superfluid with backreaction

Ammon, J.E., Grass, Kerner, O'Bannon 2009

SU(2) Einstein-Yang-Mills theory in (4+1)-dimensional asymptotically AdS Space

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa_5^2} \int \mathrm{d}^5 x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \Lambda - \frac{\alpha^2}{2} F^a_{MN} F^{aMN} \right] + S_{\mathrm{bdy}}$$

with

$$\alpha \equiv \frac{\kappa_5}{g_{\rm YM}}$$

gauge field ansatz

$$A = \phi(r)\tau^3 \mathrm{d}t + w(r)\tau^1 \mathrm{d}x$$

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helicity 1 modes decouple in 2 blocks: even parity:  $\{\Psi_t = g^{yy}h_{t\perp}, a_{\perp}^3, h_{r\perp}\}$ odd parity:  $\{\Psi_x = g^{yy}h_{x\perp}, a_{\perp}^1, a_{\perp}^2\}$ 

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#### Critical exponent confirmed analytically in Basu, Oh 1109.4592

# Helicity zero

#### J.E., Fernandez, Zeller 1212.4838

Transport coefficient  $\lambda$  associated to  $h_{xx} - h_{yy}$ 

In unbroken phase:  $\frac{\lambda}{s} = \frac{1}{72\pi}$  is universal

Normal stress difference induced by anisotropic strain

Of relevance for nematic crystals

Piezoelectric effect: Strain causes current

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Holographic version:

Preliminary results in J.E., Kerner, Müller 1206.5305

See also Horowitz, Santos 1302.6586

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Sum rule:  $\omega_P^2(T=0) = \omega_P^2(T=T_c)$   $\rho_s \propto \omega_P^2(T=0)$ Drude law:  $\sigma = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m}, \quad \omega_P^2 = \frac{4\pi ne^2}{m}$ 

$$\Rightarrow 4\pi\sigma(T_c) = \omega_P^2(T_c)\tau(T_c)$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Homes' Law equivalent to

 $\tau(T_c)T_c = const$ 

$$\frac{\omega_{\rm P}^2}{8} = \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}\omega \,\mathrm{Re}\,\sigma(\omega)$$

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#### Including the backreaction

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Backreaction parameter

$$\alpha^2 L^2 = \frac{\kappa^2}{e^2}$$

Phase diagram



## R charge and momentum diffusion times $\rm T_C$ vs. $\alpha$



#### **Reasons for decrease**

Decrease may originate from pseudogap states whose number increases with backreaction



#### B field induced rho meson condensation

### Isospin condensate is easily replaced by B field:

 $A_t \to A_x$ 

Effective field theory: (Chernodub)



External B-field leads to rho meson condensation in the QCD vacuum

Gauge/gravity duality magnetic field in black hole supergravity background Ammon, J.E., Kerner, Strydom 2011 Bu, J.E., Shock, Strydom 2012



#### Condensation in magnetic field

$$S = \int \mathrm{d}^5 x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2\kappa_5^2} \left( R - 2\Lambda \right) - \frac{1}{4\hat{g}^2} F^a_{\mu\nu} F^{a\mu\nu} \right] + S_{\mathrm{bdy}}$$

 $F_{\mu\nu}^{a} = \partial_{\mu}A_{\nu}^{a} - \partial_{\nu}A_{\mu}^{a} + \epsilon^{abc}A_{\mu}^{b}A_{\nu}^{c}$   $A_{y}^{3} = xB$ Fluctuations  $0 = \partial_{u}^{2}E_{x}^{+} + \frac{1}{f}\partial_{x}^{2}E_{x}^{+} + \left(\frac{f'}{f} - \frac{1}{u}\right)\partial_{u}E_{x}^{+} - \frac{2}{xf}\partial_{x}E_{x}^{+} + \left(\frac{\omega^{2}}{f^{2}} - \frac{B^{2}x^{2}}{f}\right)E_{x}^{+}$ 

cf. Chernodub; Callebaut, Dudas, Verschelde; Donos, Gauntlett, Pantelidou



## Holographic Set-up

The model:

$$S = \int d^5 x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \left( R + \frac{12}{L^2} \right) - \frac{1}{4\hat{g}^2} \operatorname{tr} \left( F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right) \right\} + S_{\text{bdy}}$$

Assume the probe limit. The metric in 5 dimensions, working in Poincaré coordinates with the boundary at u = 0:

$$ds^{2} = \frac{L^{2}}{u^{2}} \left( -f(u)dt^{2} + dx^{2} + dy^{2} + dz^{2} + \frac{du^{2}}{f(u)} \right)$$

AdS-Schwarzschild:  $f(u) = 1 - u^4/u_H^4$ .

## Magnetic field

• SU(2) flavour field Choose  $F_{xy}^3 = B$ ,  $F_{\mu\nu}^a = 0$ otherwise. Also fix  $\mathcal{A}_y^3 = xB$  and other components so that only U(1)gauge symmetry remains.



Isospin chemical potential  $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_t^3$  non-zero at boundary. Magnetic field  $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}_y^3$  non-zero at boundary.

#### **B-field induced condensation**

• The remaining components of  $A^a_\mu$  act as an order parameter. Boundary expansion:

$$\mathcal{A}^a_\mu \approx u^2 \langle J^a_\mu \rangle + \mathcal{O}(u^4)$$

- It is consistent to switch on only  $\mathcal{A}_{x,y}^{1,2}(x,y,u)$ .
- When  $B < B_c$ , these components are zero.
- When  $B > B_c$ , some of these components become nonzero.

#### Expansion about critical point

We look at  $B \approx B_c$ . Then we can focus on a small condensate and look at fluctuations of  $\mathcal{A} \approx \varepsilon A + \varepsilon^3 a + \ldots$ . Defining  $E_{x,y} = A_{x,y}^1 + i A_{x,y}^2$ , we can focus on fields charged under the U(1):

$$E_L = x^2 B E_x - i (x \partial_x E_y - E_y)$$
$$\to e^{-i\Lambda^3} E_L$$

These source a vector condensate when they condense.

#### Perturbative strategy for finding ground state

$$\nabla^{\mu} F^{a}_{\mu\nu} + \epsilon^{abc} \mathcal{A}^{b\mu} F^{c}_{\mu\nu} = 0.$$
$$\mathcal{E}_{x,y} = \mathcal{A}^{1}_{x,y} + i \mathcal{A}^{2}_{x,y}$$



9 coupled equations for 3 gauge components in x, y and radial directions.  $\varepsilon \sim \langle J \rangle$ . We need to go to  $3^{\text{rd}}$  order.

#### Linear order solution

$$E_x = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n e^{-inky - \frac{1}{2}B_c \left(x - \frac{nk}{B_c}\right)^2} U(u)$$

- This is the Abrikosov solution.
- U(u) is the radial factor.
- Free parameters: k, C<sub>n</sub>. We need to go to higher order to fix these.
- For  $B \approx B_c$ ,  $C_n$  is small.

# Fixing C<sub>n</sub>

- We expect a lattice. This requires  $C_n = C_{n+N}$  for some N.
- Choosing N = 1,  $C_n = C$ , and  $k = \sqrt{2\pi B_c}$  gives a square lattice.
- Choosing N = 2,  $C_1 = iC_0$ , and  $k = 3^{\frac{1}{4}}\sqrt{\pi B_c}$  gives a triangular lattice.
- Choosing N = 2, C<sub>1</sub> = iC<sub>0</sub>, and varying k can give a rhombic lattice.



# Free energy



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free energy as a function of 
$$R = \frac{L_x}{L_y}$$



## Triangular ground state lattice



Bu, J.E., Shock, Strydom 1210.6669

# Slow-walking inflation

J.E., Halter, Núñez, Tasinato 1210.4179

- Warped throat supergravity solutions displaying `walking behaviour'
- Consider motion of D3-brane in this geometry
- Brane potential gives predictions in agreement with observations

# Walking solutions

Nunez, Papadimitriou, Piai 2008, Elander, Nunez, Piai 2009



# Walking solutions

Nunez, Papadimitriou, Piai 2008, Elander, Nunez, Piai 2009

$$ds_{E}^{2} = e^{\Phi(\rho)/2} \left[ dx_{1,3}^{2} + e^{2k(\rho)} d\rho^{2} + e^{2q(\rho)} (d\theta^{2} + \sin^{2}\theta d\phi^{2}) + \frac{e^{2g(\rho)}}{4} \left[ (\tilde{\omega}_{1} + a(\rho)d\theta)^{2} + (\tilde{\omega}_{2} - a(\rho)\sin\theta d\phi)^{2} \right] + \frac{e^{2k(\rho)}}{4} (\tilde{\omega}_{3} + \cos\theta d\phi)^{2} \right]$$

N<sub>c</sub>D5-branes wrapping an S<sup>2</sup> inside CY cone (conifold) Geometry asymptotes to Klebanov-Strassler in UV

N=I supersymmetry

#### D3-brane inflation

$$\Sigma_4 = [t, x_1, x_2, x_3], \quad \rho = \rho(t)$$

Induced metric:  $ds_{ind}^2 = H_1 \left( dx_1^2 + dx_2^2 + dx_3^2 \right) + \left( H_2 \dot{\rho}^2 - H_1 \right) dt^2$ 

**DBI action:** 
$$S_{BIWZ} = -T_3 \int d^4x \left( e^{-\Phi} \sqrt{-\det[g_{ind}]} - \mathcal{C}_4 \right)$$

Effective potential:

$$V = T_3 e^{-\Phi} H_1^2 \left( 1 - \frac{e^{\Phi} C_4}{H_1^2} \right)$$

Slow roll parameters:

$$\epsilon = \frac{M_P^2}{2V^2} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial r}\right)^2, \quad \eta = \frac{M_P^2}{V} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial r^2}$$

### Effective potential



D5 in IR create force on D3 probe in IR Force becomes weaker in UV KS region


#### Implications for cosmological parameters

Inflection point ensures small  $\eta$ 

 $\epsilon$  suppressed by parameter  $c_+$ 

$$e^{4\Phi - 4\Phi_0} \simeq \frac{3}{8c_+^3} \left( 1 - \frac{3N_c^2 e^{-8\rho/3} (8\rho - 1)}{4c_+^2} + \dots \right)$$

Number of e-folds 
$$N_e = \int H dt \simeq \frac{1}{M_P^2} \int \frac{V}{\partial_r V} \left(\frac{dr}{d\rho}\right) d\rho$$

### Implications for cosmological parameters



## Conclusion

- Phonino related to supersymmetry current absorption cross section
- Anisotropic shear viscosity: Non-universal contribution at leading order in N and  $\lambda$
- Homes' Law: new candidate for universal quantity
- B-field leads to condensation with triangular lattice ground state
- Gauge/gravity duality provides new approaches to universality

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