

# Hydrodynamic Flow of the Quark-Gluon Plasma and Gauge/Gravity Correspondence

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## Aspects of Duality

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- Motivation: Expanding QGP and Strong Coupling QCD  
*Hydrodynamics from Strings*
- Hydrodynamic flows of the Quark-Gluon Plasma  
*Brief Description*
- Holographic approach to  $\mathcal{N}^4$ QCD relativistic Hydrodynamics  
*Perfect Fluid  $\Leftrightarrow$  Moving Black Hole Geometry*
- Some Interesting Open QGP Problems  
*Isotropization/Thermalization, Initial conditions, Fragmentation regions, Hadronization*
- Theoretical Developments and Applications [*cf.* Janik's talk]  
*"Generalized" Hydrodynamic/Gravity Duality*

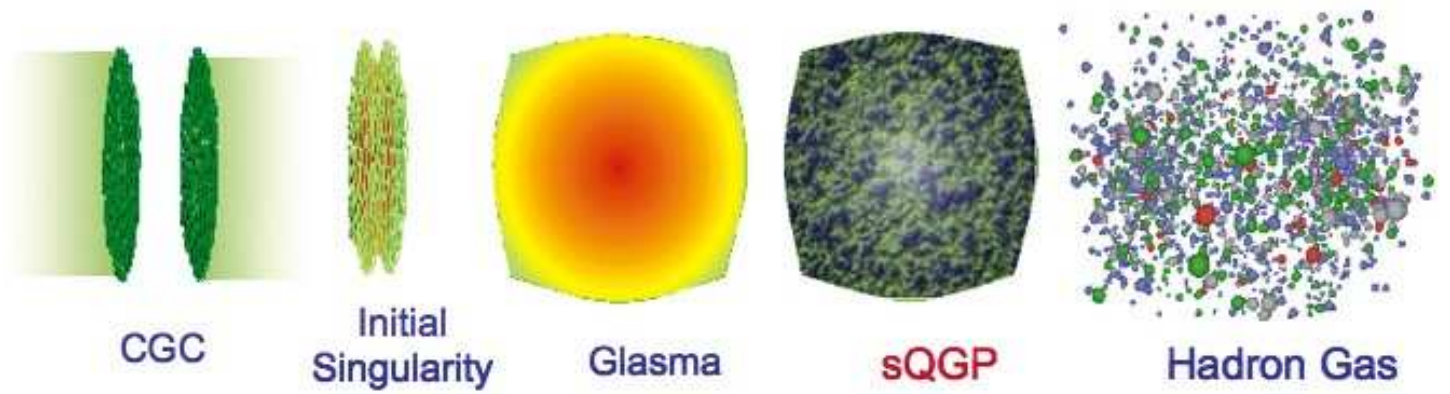
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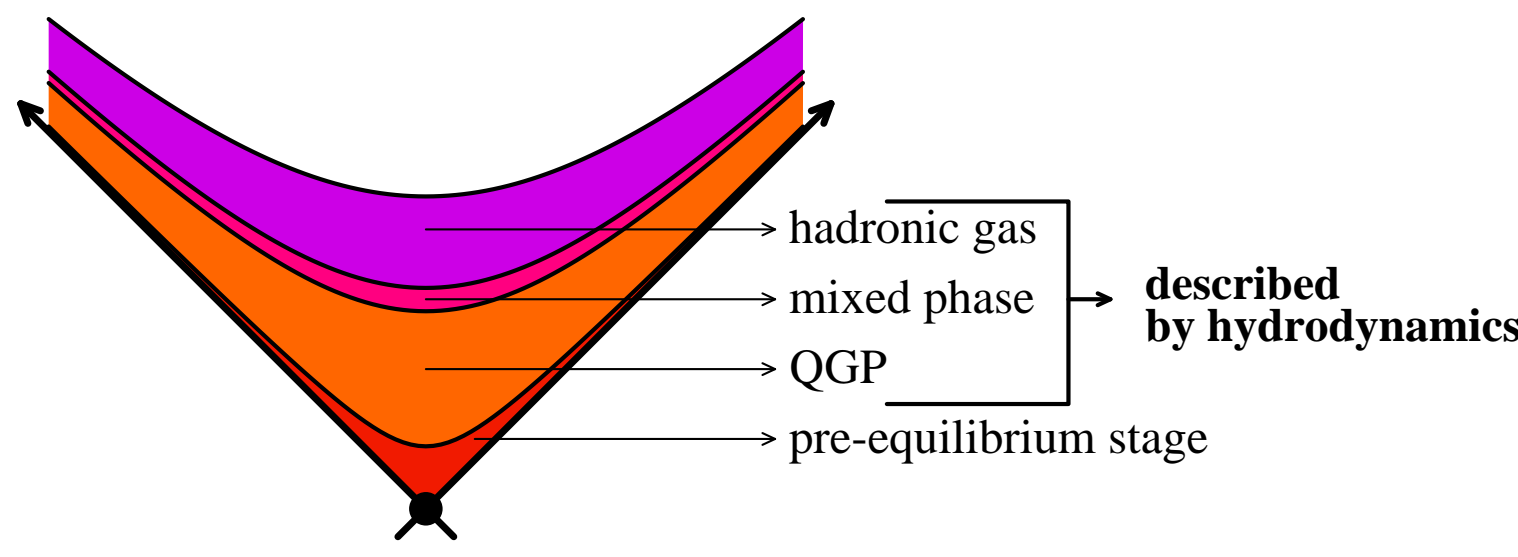
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# QGP formation in Heavy-Ion collisions



## 1+1 Projection



# From Experiments to Theory

Abstracted from RHIC Data :

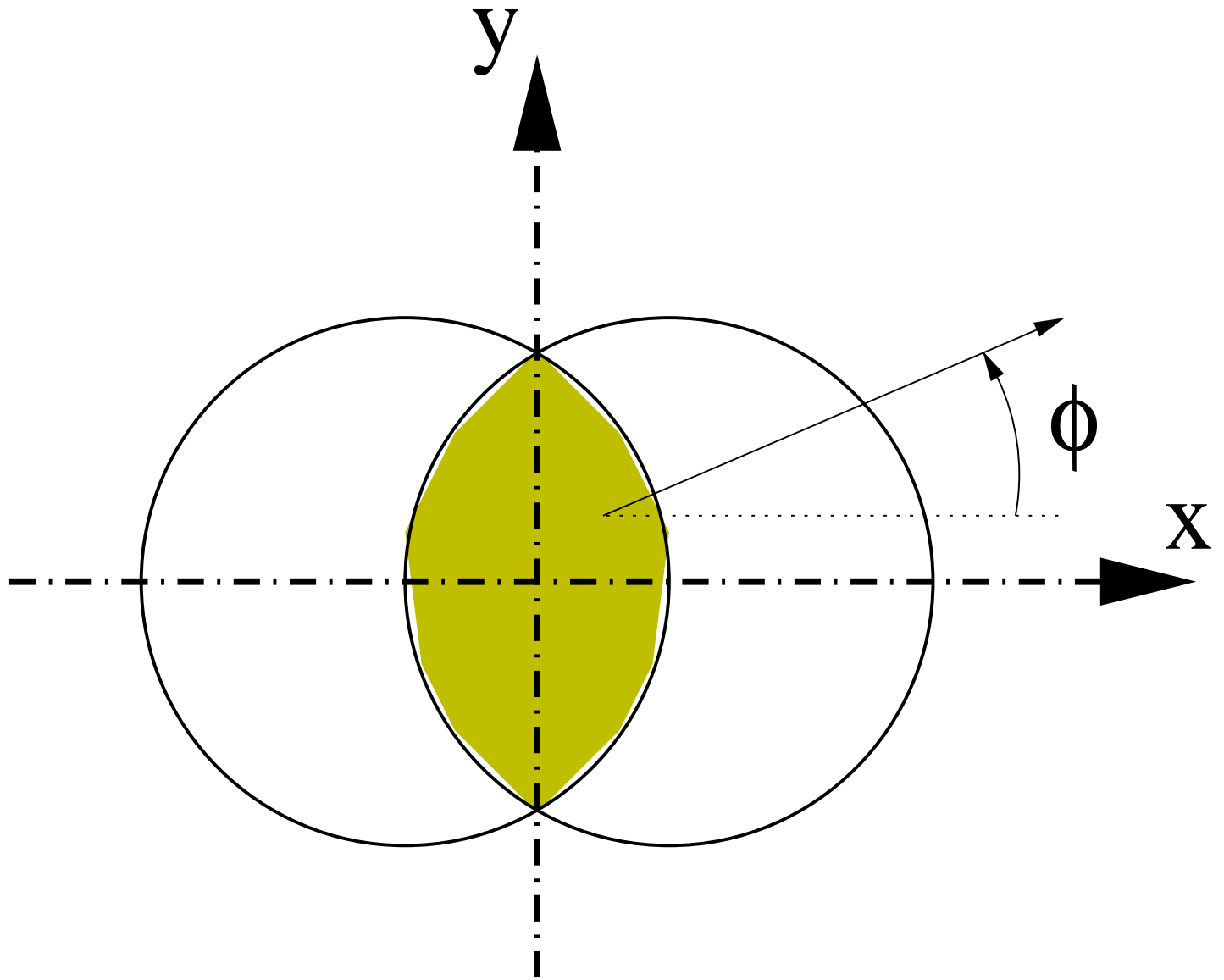
- Evidence for an Hydrodynamic Flow
- QGP: (Almost) Perfect fluid behaviour  $\Rightarrow$  small viscosity
- Fast QGP Formation  $\Rightarrow$  fast thermalisation/isotropization
- Dependence on Initial and Final conditions

Interest of AdS/CFT :

- QGP as a Strongly Coupled Deconfined phase  $\Rightarrow$   $N^4$ QCD
- AdS/CFT as a “laboratory” for QCD
- Gauge/Gravity: a wider concept

QGP at Strong Coupling : What Gauge/Gravity can tell us?

# Evidence for an Hydrodynamic Flow

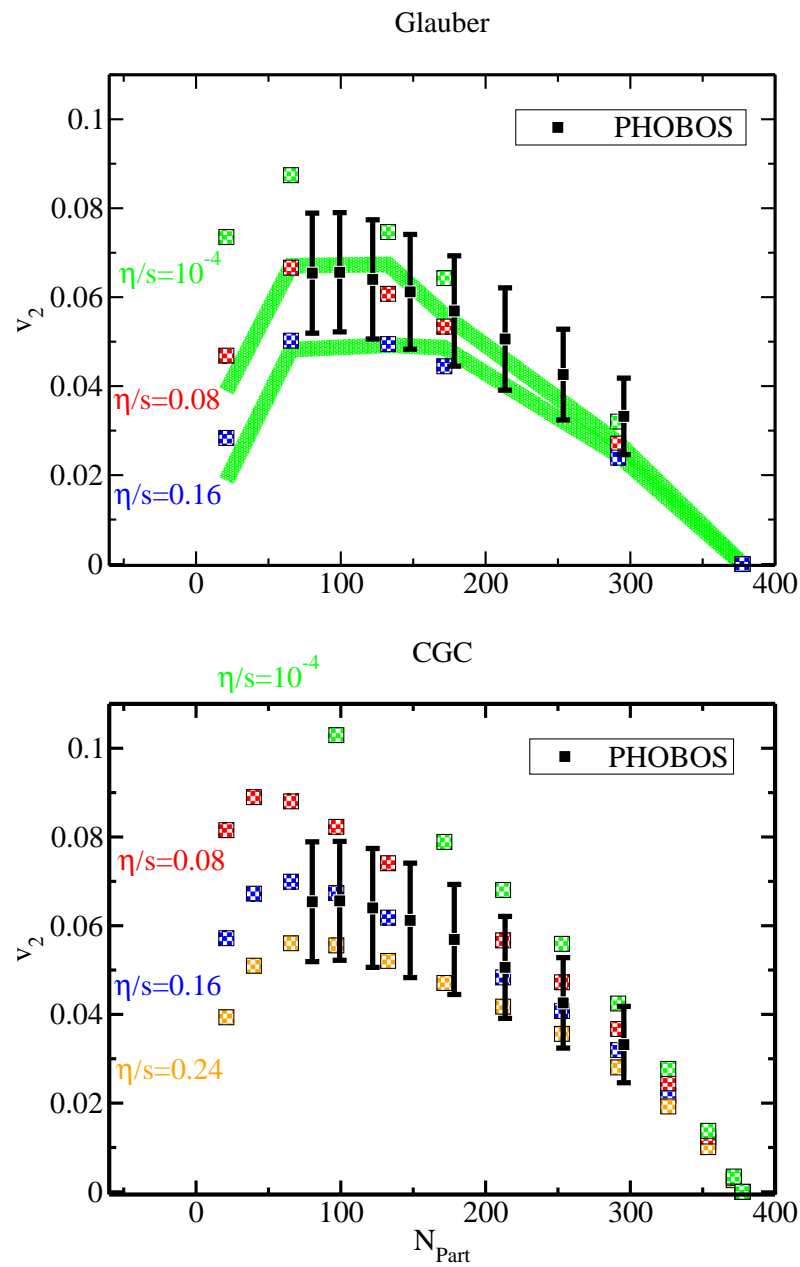


Excentricity:  $\epsilon = \frac{\sigma_y^2 - \sigma_x^2}{\sigma_y^2 + \sigma_x^2} \Rightarrow$  Anisotropic Pressure

# Elliptic Flow

Ollitrault (1992)

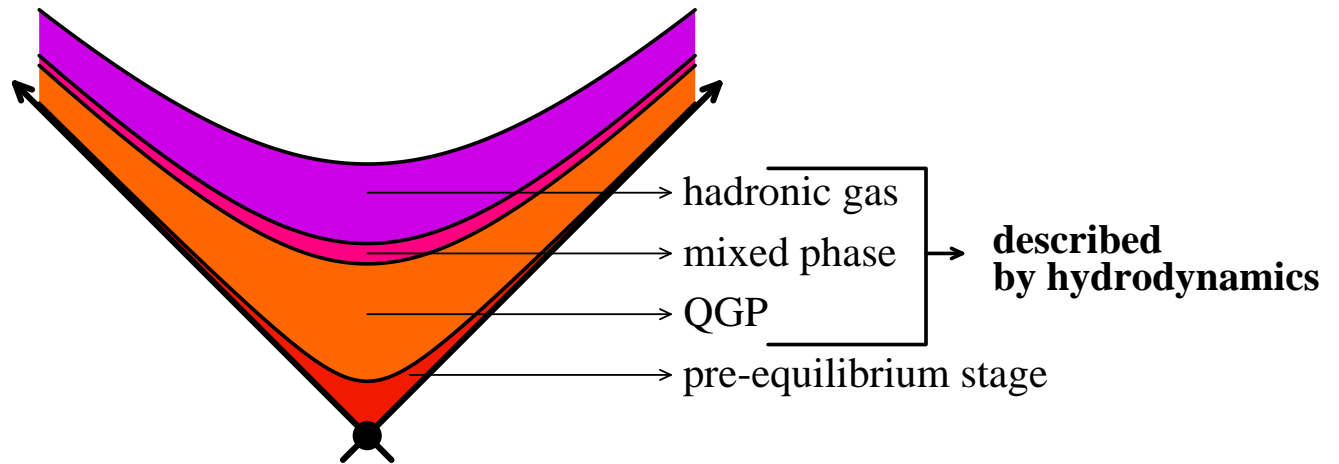
$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial \Phi} \propto 1 + 2 v_2 \cos 2\Phi$$



Luzum, Romatschke (2008)

# QGP and Relativistic Hydrodynamics

L.D.Landau (1953) vs. J.D.Bjorken (1982)



- Kinematic Landscape

$$\tau = \sqrt{x_0^2 - x_1^2} ; \eta = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{x_0 + x_1}{x_0 - x_1} ; x_T = \{x_2, x_3\}$$

- Energy-Momentum tensor (perfect fluid)

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\epsilon + p)u^\mu u^\nu - p\eta^{\mu\nu} ; u^\mu u^\mu = -1$$

- Hydrodynamics

$$\boxed{\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0} ; \frac{\partial p}{\partial \epsilon} = c_s^2 (= 1/g) ; \boxed{T^{\mu\mu} = 0} \Rightarrow g = 3$$





# Bjorken Flow (2)

“In-out Ansatz”  $\Rightarrow$  Boost Invariance

- Hydrodynamic Equations in 1+1 d:  $u^\pm = e^{\pm y}$

$$T^{00} = p \left[ \left( \frac{1+g}{2} \right) \cosh y + \left( \frac{g-1}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$T^{01} = p \left( \frac{1+g}{2} \right) \sinh y$$

$$T^{11} = p \left[ \left( \frac{1+g}{2} \right) \cosh y - \left( \frac{g-1}{2} \right) \right]$$

$$2g \partial_\pm [\log p] = -(1+g)^2 \partial_\pm y - (g^2 - 1) e^{\mp 2y} \partial_\mp y$$

- Rapidity Consistency Condition

$$\partial_- \partial_+ y = \frac{g^2 - 1}{4(1+g)^2} \{ \partial_- \partial_- [e^{-2y}] - \partial_+ \partial_+ [e^{2y}] \}$$

- In-out Ansatz  $y = \eta \Rightarrow$  Boost Invariance

$$y = \eta = \frac{1}{2} (\log z^+ - \log z^-) \Rightarrow \partial_\pm [\log p] = -\frac{1+g}{2g} \frac{1}{z^\pm} \Rightarrow p = p_0 (z^+ z^-)^{-(g+1)/2g}$$

$$T_{Liberation} = p^{1/(g+1)} = T_0 (z^+ z^-)^{-1/2g} = T_0 \tau^{-1/g}$$

# Landau Flow

Landau (1953)

- Landau Full Stopping solution ( $z_+, z_- \equiv e^{\zeta_+}, e^{-\zeta_-}$ )

$$y \sim \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ \zeta_+ + \frac{1}{2} \log \zeta_+ \right] - \left[ \zeta_- + \frac{1}{2} \log \zeta_- \right] \right)$$

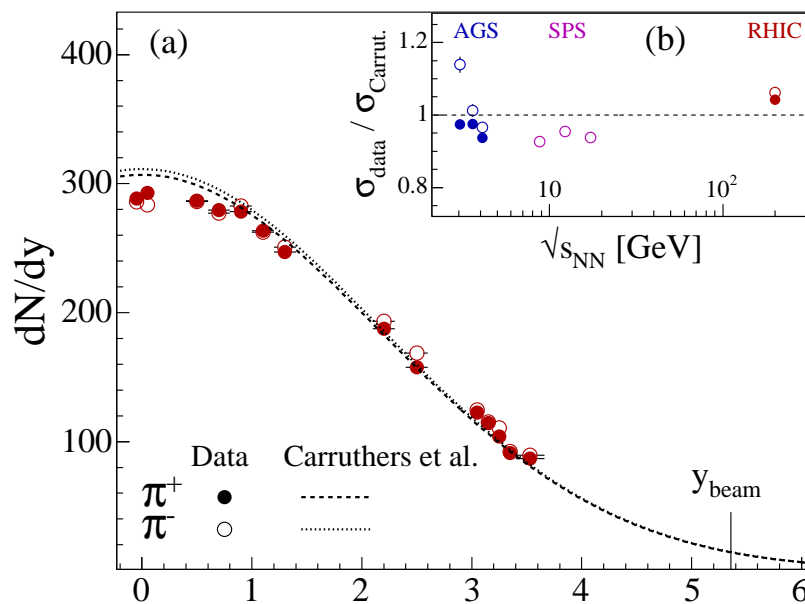
- Entropy Spectrum

“Liberation” :  $1+1 \rightarrow 3+1$  at  $\tau = \sqrt{z_+ z_-} \sim e^{-Y/2}$

Landau (1953), Carruthers & Doung-van (1973)

$$dS \propto \exp -\frac{1}{2} \left( \zeta_+ + \zeta_- - 2\sqrt{\zeta_+ \zeta_-} \right) dy \Rightarrow \frac{dS}{S dy} \sim \frac{dN}{N dy} \sim \frac{\exp -y^2/Y}{\sqrt{2\pi Y}}$$

- Brahms Results (2005)



# Harmonic Flows

A.Bialas, R.A.Janik, R.P., 2007

- Generalized “In-Out Ansatz”

$$y = \frac{1}{2} [l_+^2(z^+) - l_-^2(z^-)]$$

- Rapidity Consistency Condition

$$\partial_- \partial_+ y \equiv 0 \Rightarrow \partial_- \partial_- [e^{-2y}] = \partial_+ \partial_+ [e^{+2y}]$$

- One-parameter family of Solutions (with given  $g = c_s^{-2}$ )

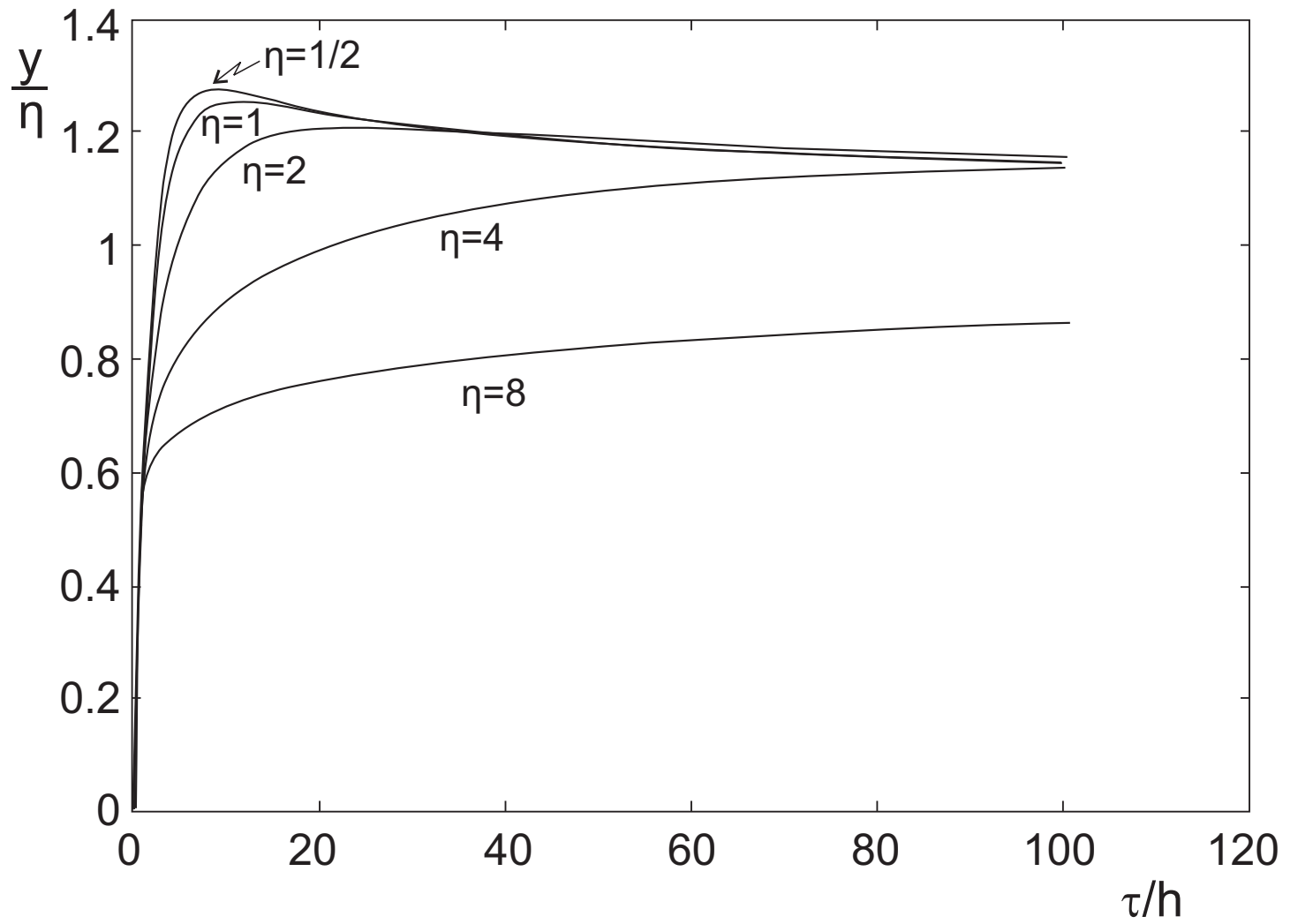
$$z_{\pm} = h \int_{l_0}^{l_{\pm}} e^{l^2} dl$$

$$p(z_+, z_-) = p_0 \exp \left\{ -\frac{(1+g)^2}{4g} [l_+^2 + l_-^2] + \frac{g^2-1}{2g} l_+ l_- \right\}$$

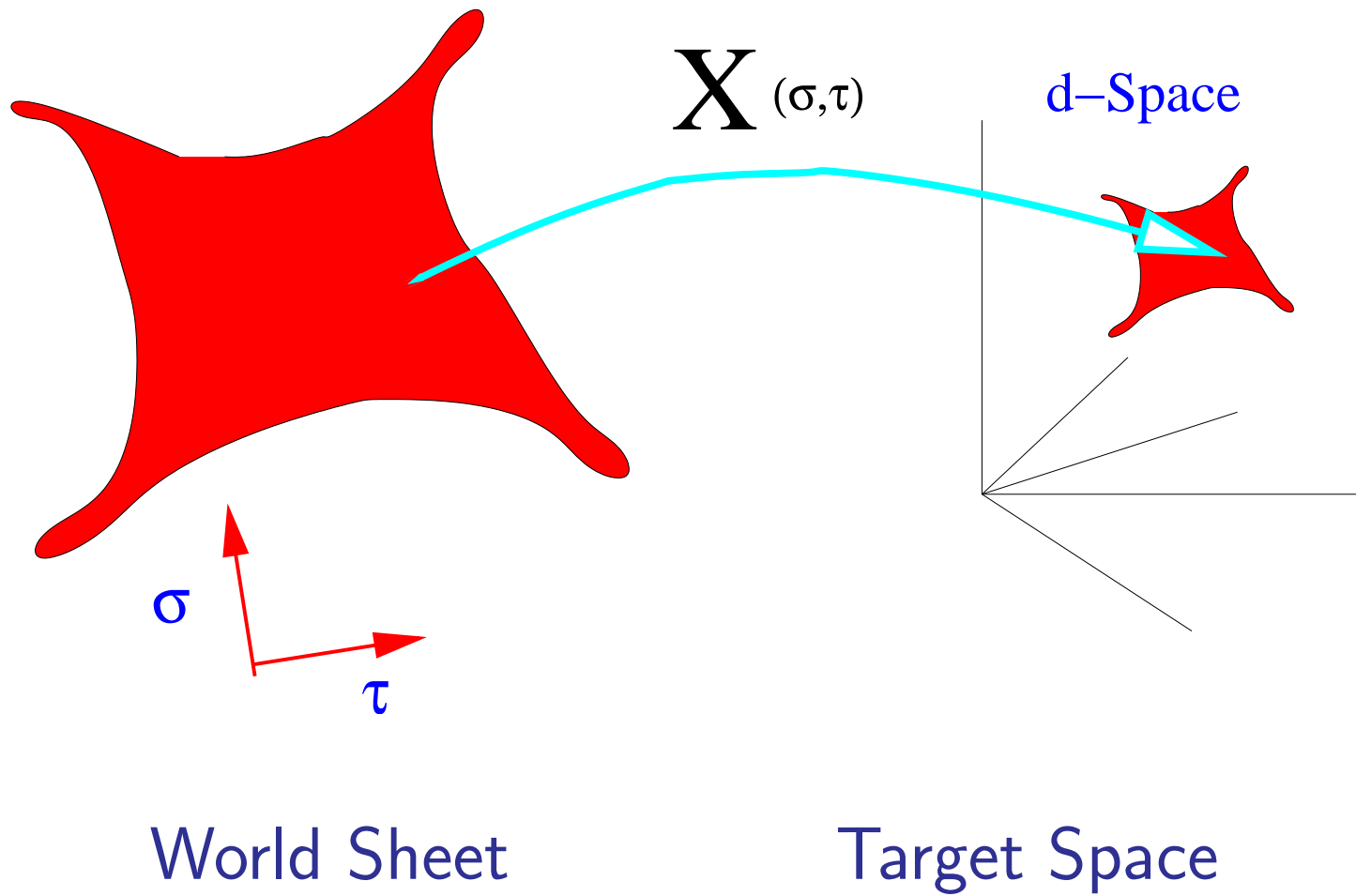
- Unification of L. and Bj. frameworks

Bjorken limit:  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,  $z_{\pm}$  fixed ; Landau limit:  $h$  fixed,  $l_{\pm} \rightarrow \infty$

# Full Stopping

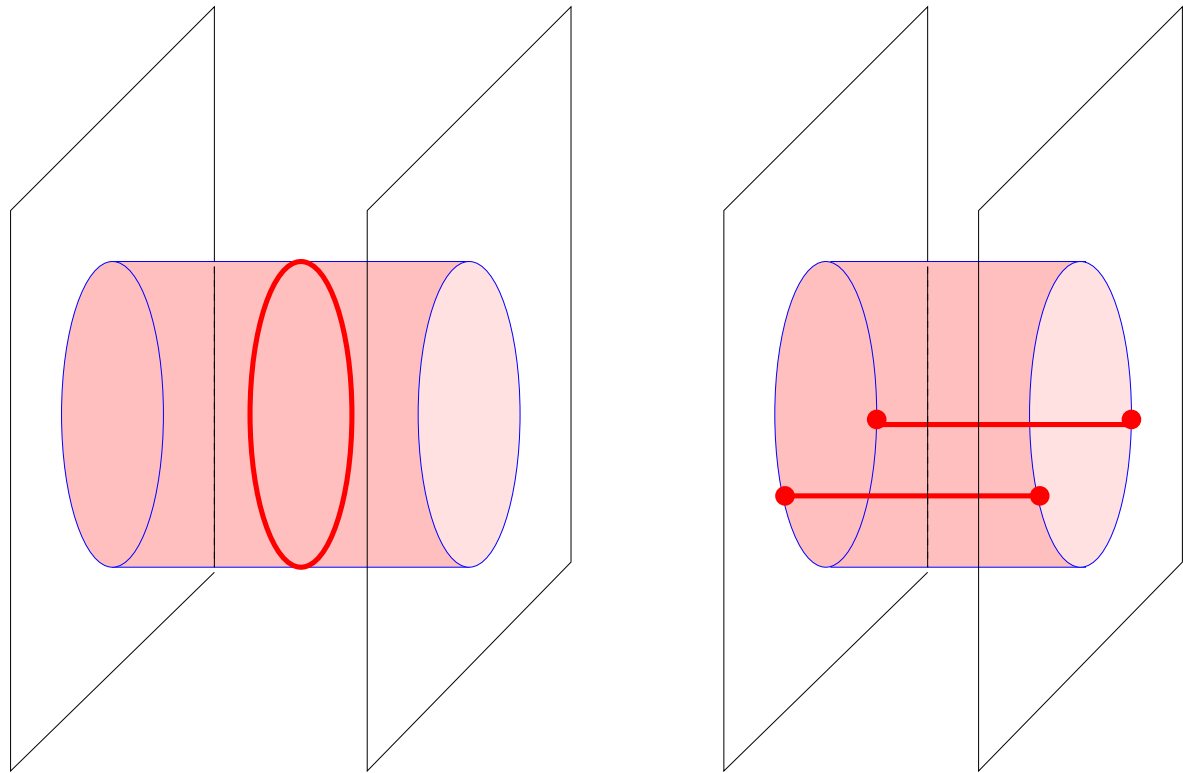


# String Apparatus



# The Gauge-Gravity Correspondence

Open  $\Leftrightarrow$  Closed String duality



*Closed String*  $\Leftrightarrow$  *1-loop Open String*

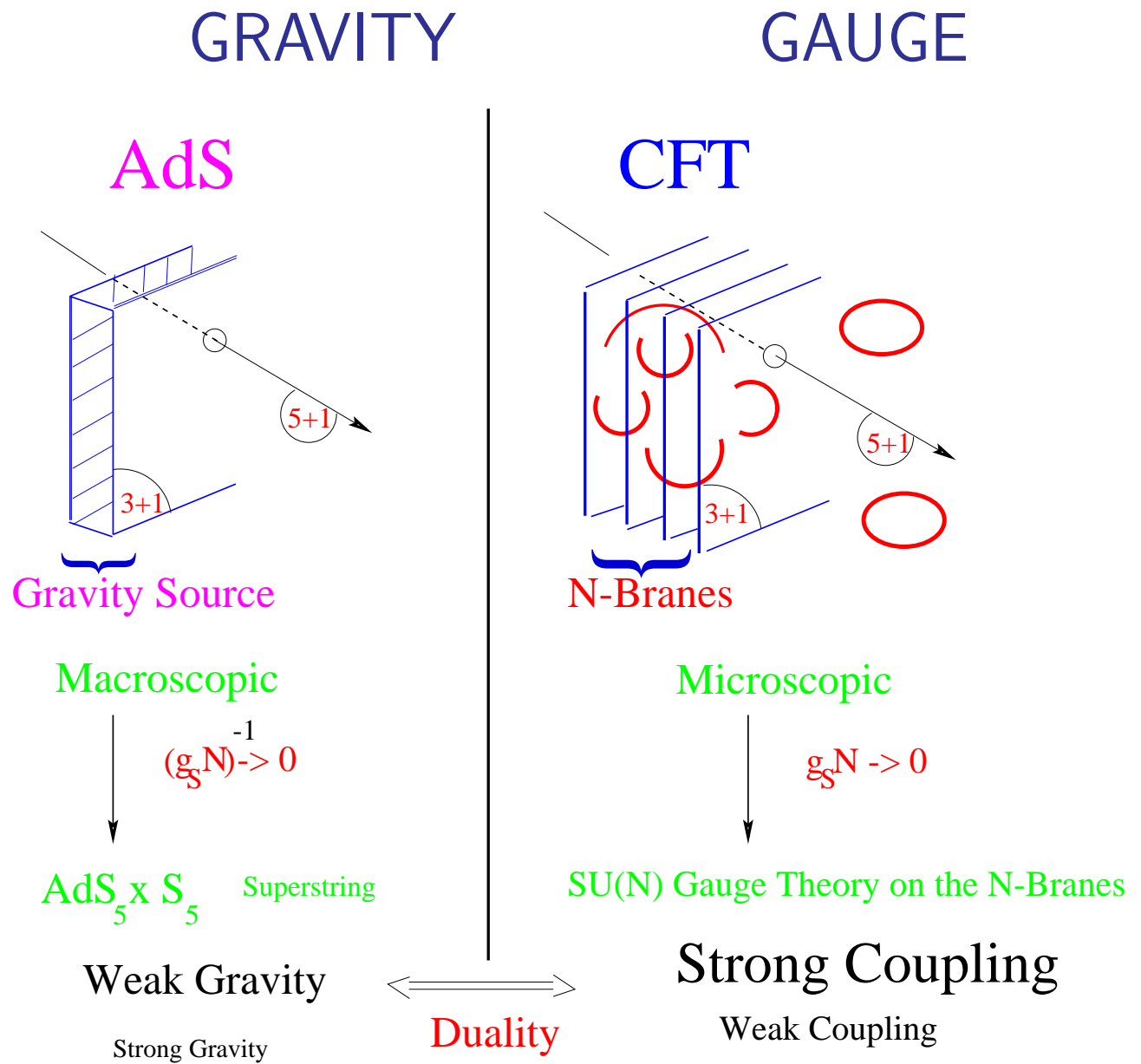
*Gravity*  $\Leftrightarrow$  *Gauge*

*D-Brane "Universe"*  $\Rightarrow$  *Open String Ending*

*Small/Large Distance*  $\Rightarrow$  *Gauge/Gravity Correspondence*

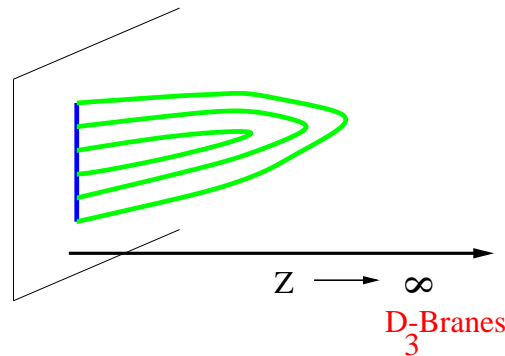
# AdS/CFT Correspondence

J. Maldacena (1998)

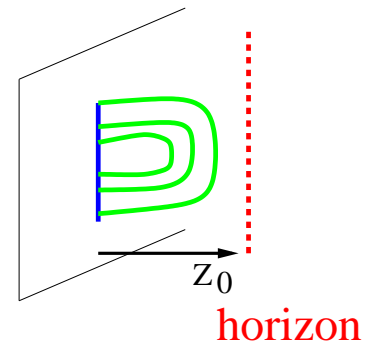


# Holography at work

- Holographic Principle: Brane/Bulk correspondence



Non – Confining



Confining Geometry

- Brane  $\rightarrow$  Bulk: Holographic Renormalization

K.Skenderis (2002)

$$ds^2 = \frac{g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + dz^2}{z^2}$$

(in Fefferman-Graham Coordinates)

$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} (= \eta_{\mu\nu}) + z^2 g_{\mu\nu}^{(2)} (= 0) + z^4 \langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle + z^6 \dots +$$

$+ z^6 \dots +$ : from Einstein Eqs.



# Perfect Fluid $\Leftrightarrow$ 5d Black Hole (static case)

Balasubramanian, de Boer, Minic; Myers

- Perfect Fluid  $\Rightarrow$  5d Black Hole

from (resummed) Holographic Renormalisation (Janik, R.P.)

$$\langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle \propto g_{\mu\nu}^{(4)} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/z_0^4 = \epsilon & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/z_0^4 = p_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/z_0^4 = p_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/z_0^4 = p_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Derivation of the Fefferman-Graham metrics

$$ds^2 = -\frac{(1 - z^4/z_0^4)^2}{(1 + z^4/z_0^4)z^2} dt^2 + (1 + z^4/z_0^4) \frac{dx^2}{z^2} + \frac{dz^2}{z^2}$$

- It is indeed the 5-d Black Brane with horizon at  $\tilde{z}_0$

$$ds^2 = -\frac{1 - \tilde{z}^4/\tilde{z}_0^4}{\tilde{z}^2} dt^2 + \frac{dx^2}{\tilde{z}^2} + \frac{1}{1 - \tilde{z}^4/\tilde{z}_0^4} \frac{d\tilde{z}^2}{\tilde{z}^2} \quad Z \rightarrow \tilde{Z} = Z \cdot \left\{ 1 + Z^4/Z_0^4 \right\}^{-1/2}$$

# Other features (static case)

- Temperature and entropy

$$\textit{Temperature} : T_{BlackHole} \sim \frac{1}{z_0} = \epsilon^{\frac{1}{4}} = T_{PerfectFluid}$$

$$\textit{Entropy} : S_{BlackHole} \sim Area = \frac{1}{z_0^3} \sim \epsilon^{\frac{3}{4}} = S_{PerfectFluid}$$

- Viscosity

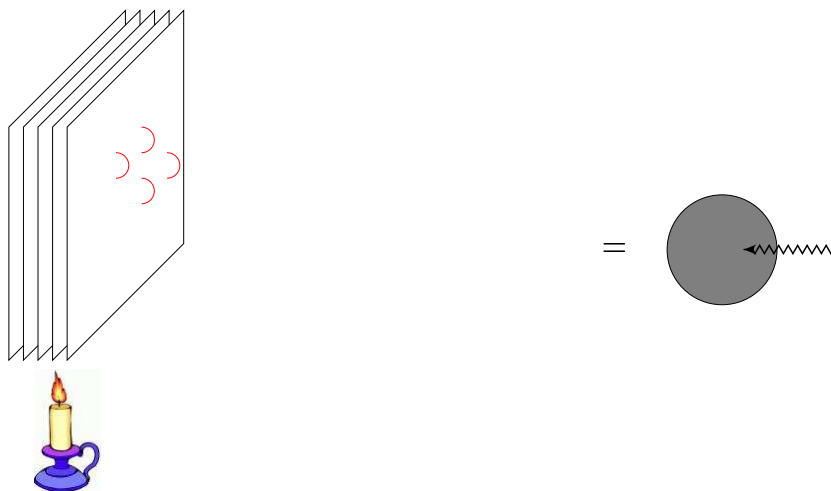
(Policastro, Son, Starinets, 2001)

## Viscosity on the light of duality

Consider a graviton that falls on this stack of  $N$  D3-branes

Will be absorbed by the D3 branes.

The process of absorption can be looked at from two different perspectives:



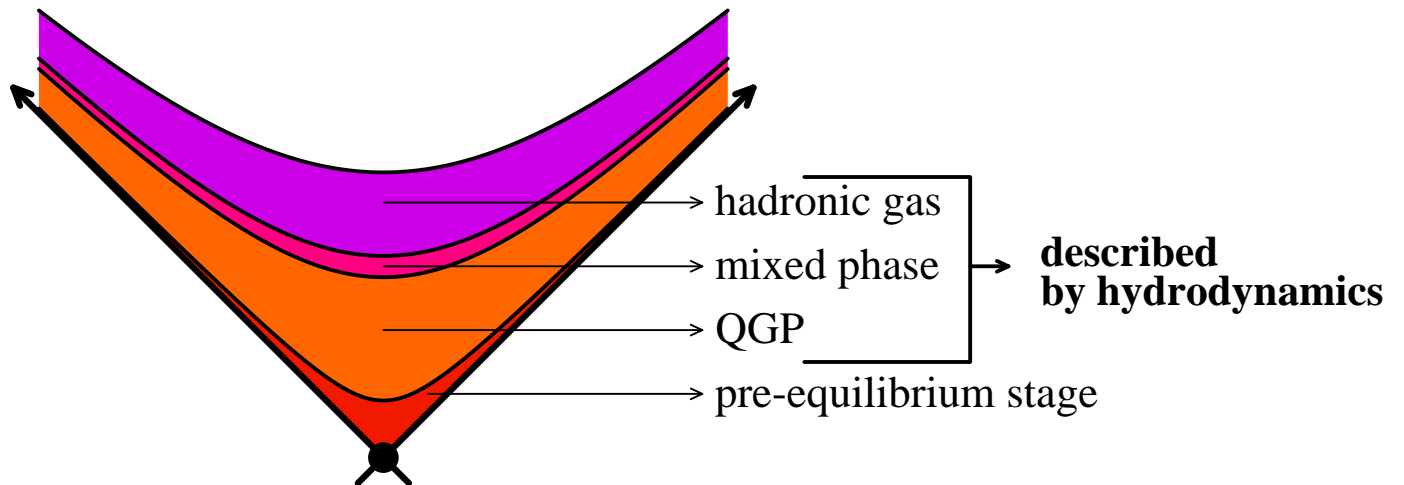
Absorption by D3 branes ( $\sim$  viscosity) = absorption by black hole

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$$\sigma_{abs}(\omega) \propto \int d^4x \frac{e^{i\omega t}}{\omega} \langle [T_{x_2x_3}(x), T_{x_2x_3}(0)] \rangle \Rightarrow \frac{\eta}{s} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{abs}(0)/(16\pi G)}{A/(4G)} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

# Gauge/Gravity: From Statics to Dynamics

R.Janik, R.P. (2005)



$$\tau = \sqrt{x_0^2 - x_1^2} ; y = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{x_0 + x_1}{x_0 - x_1} ; x_T = x_2, x_3$$

## Questions

- Boost Invariant Flow (JD Bjorken, (1983)): Construct the Dual ?
- QGP: (almost) Perfect fluid behaviour, why?
- Universal  $\frac{\eta}{S}$ ?
- Fast Pre-equilibrium stage, why?

# 4d-Hydrodynamics

- Energy-Momentum Tensor

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\epsilon + p)u^\mu u^\nu - p\eta^{\mu\nu}$$

- Relativistic Hydrodynamic Equations

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0 : \quad \text{Continuity condition}$$

$$T^{\mu\mu} = 0 : \quad \text{Traceless condition}$$

$$\epsilon = p c_{\text{sound}}^{-2} : \quad \text{Equation of State}$$

- Thermodynamical Identities

$$p + \epsilon = \epsilon (1 + c_s^2) = TS ; \quad d\epsilon = TdS$$

$$\epsilon = p c_s^{-2} = \epsilon_0 T^{(1+c^2)/c^2} ; \quad S = S_0 T^{1/c^2} \rightarrow S \sim \epsilon^{1/(c^2+1)}$$

# AdS/CFT *implies* Perfect Fluid at large $\tau$

- Family of Boost-invariant  $T_{\nu}^{\mu}$

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} f(\tau) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\tau^3 \frac{d}{d\tau} f(\tau) - \tau^2 f(\tau) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & f(\tau) + \frac{1}{2}\tau \frac{d}{d\tau} f(\tau) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

- Proper-time evolution

$$f(\tau) \propto \tau^{-s}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu} t^{\mu} t^{\nu} \geq 0 \Rightarrow 0 < s < 4$$

$$f(\tau) \propto \tau^{-\frac{4}{3}} : \text{Perfect Fluid } \epsilon = 3p_{\perp} = 3p_L$$

$$f(\tau) \propto \tau^{-1} : \text{Free streaming } \epsilon = 2p_{\perp}; p_L = 0$$

$$f(\tau) \propto \tau^{-0} : \text{Full Anisotropy } \epsilon = p_{\perp} = -p_L$$

# Expanding Geometries

- General Boost-Invariant F-G metric:

$$ds^2 = \frac{-e^{a(\tau,z)} d\tau^2 + \tau^2 e^{b(\tau,z)} dy^2 + e^{c(\tau,z)} dx_{\perp}^2}{z^2} + \frac{dz^2}{z^2}$$

- Einstein Equation(s):

$$\{a(\tau, z), b(\tau, z), c(\tau, z)\} = \{a(v), b(v), c(v)\} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\tau^{\#}}\right)$$

$$\text{Asymptotic Scaling} \Rightarrow v = \frac{z}{\tau^{s/4}}$$

$$v(2a'(v)c'(v) + a'(v)b'(v) + 2b'(v)c'(v)) - 6a'(v) - 6b'(v) - 12c'(v) + vc'(v)^2 = 0$$

$$3vc'(v)^2 + vb'(v)^2 + 2vb''(v) + 4vc''(v) - 6b'(v) - 12c'(v) + 2vb'(v)c'(v) = 0$$

$$2vzb''(v) + 2sb'(v) + 8a'(v) - vsa'(v)b'(v) - 8b'(v) + vsb'(v)^2 +$$

$$4vsc''(v) + 4sc'(v) - 2vsa'(v)c'(v) + 2vsc'(v)^2 = 0 .$$

- Asymptotic Solution

$$a(v) = A(v) - 2m(v)$$

$$b(v) = A(v) + (2s - 2)m(v)$$

$$c(v) = A(v) + (2 - s)m(v)$$

$$A(v) = \frac{1}{2}(\log(1 + \Delta(s)v^4) + \log(1 - \Delta(s)v^4)) \quad m(v) = \frac{1}{4\Lambda(s)}(\log(1 + \Delta(s)v^4) - \log(1 - \Delta(s)v^4)) \quad \Delta(s) = \sqrt{3s^2 - 8s + 8/24}$$

# General Scaling Solution

$$v = \frac{z}{\tau^{s/4}}$$

- Exemple: Asymptotic metric for Free Streaming

$$z^2 ds^2 = \left( -\left(1 + \frac{v^4}{\sqrt{8}}\right)^{\frac{1-2\sqrt{2}}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{v^4}{\sqrt{8}}\right)^{\frac{1+2\sqrt{2}}{2}} dt^2 + \left(1 + \frac{v^4}{\sqrt{8}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{v^4}{\sqrt{8}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \tau^2 dy^2 + \right. \\ \left. + \left(1 + \frac{v^4}{\sqrt{8}}\right)^{\frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{v^4}{\sqrt{8}}\right)^{\frac{1-\sqrt{2}}{2}} dx_{\perp}^2 \right) + dz^2$$

- Investigating the Geometry:

Ricci scalar:

$$R = -20 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\tau^{\#}}\right)$$

Riemann tensor squared:

$$\mathfrak{R}^2 = R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}$$

# General Curvature invariant

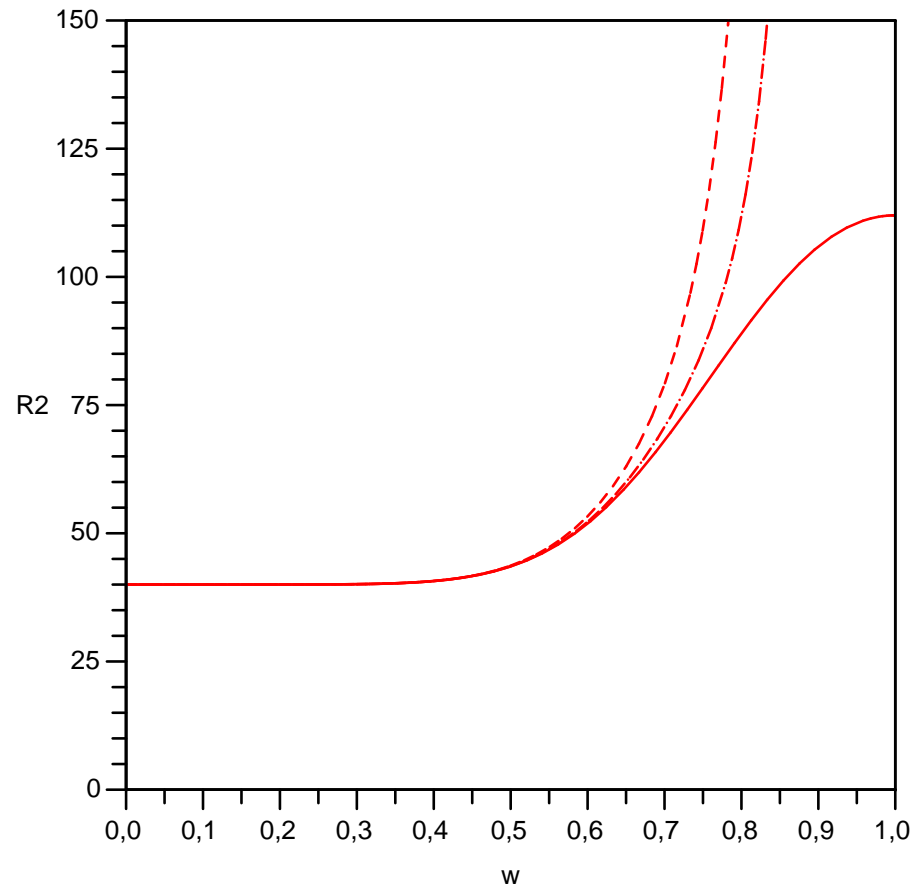
$$\mathfrak{K}^2 = R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{K}^2 = & \frac{4}{(1 - \Delta(s)^2 v^8)^4} \cdot \left[ 10 \Delta(s)^8 v^{32} - 88 \Delta(s)^6 v^{24} + 42 v^{24} s^2 \Delta(s)^4 + \right. \\ & + 112 v^{24} \Delta(s)^4 - 112 v^{24} \Delta(s)^4 s + 36 v^{20} s^3 \Delta(s)^2 - 72 v^{20} s^2 \Delta(s)^2 + \\ & + 828 \Delta(s)^4 v^{16} + 288 v^{16} \Delta(s)^2 s - 288 v^{16} \Delta(s)^2 - 108 v^{16} s^2 \Delta(s)^2 + \\ & - 136 v^{16} s^3 + 27 v^{16} s^4 - 320 v^{16} s + 160 v^{16} + 296 v^{16} s^2 + 36 v^{12} s^3 + \\ & \left. - 72 v^{12} s^2 - 88 \Delta(s)^2 v^8 + 42 v^8 s^2 + 112 v^8 - 112 v^8 s + 10 \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\tau^\#}\right) \end{aligned}$$



# AdS/CFT: Selection of the Perfect Fluid

Singular Scalar  $\mathfrak{R}^2$  for  $s = \frac{4}{3} \pm .1$



Regular Scalar  $\mathfrak{R}^2$  for  $s = \frac{4}{3}$ :

$$\mathfrak{R}^2_{\text{perfect fluid}} = \frac{8(5w^{16} + 20w^{12} + 174w^8 + 20w^4 + 5)}{(1 + w^4)^4}$$

$$w = v/\Delta \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \equiv \sqrt[4]{3} v.$$

# Moving Black Hole Dual of a Perfect Relativistic fluid

$$v = \frac{z}{\tau^{1/3}}$$

- Asymptotic (Fefferman-Graham) metric

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{z^2} \left[ -\frac{\left(1 - \frac{e_0}{3} \frac{z^4}{\tau^{4/3}}\right)^2}{1 + \frac{e_0}{3} \frac{z^4}{\tau^{4/3}}} d\tau^2 + \left(1 + \frac{e_0}{3} \frac{z^4}{\tau^{4/3}}\right) (\tau^2 dy^2 + dx_{\perp}^2) \right] + \frac{dz^2}{z^2}$$

- Interpretation:** Black Hole moving off in the 5th dimension (in FF-G coordinates)

$$\text{Horizon : } z_0 = (3/e_0)^{1/4} \cdot \tau^{1/3}$$

$$\text{Temperature : } T(\tau) \sim 1/z_0 \sim \tau^{-1/3}$$

$$\text{Entropy : } S(\tau) \sim \text{Area} \sim \tau \cdot 1/z_0^3 \sim \text{const}$$

- In 1  $\rightarrow$  1 correspondence with Bjorken flow

# In-flow Viscosity and Relaxation time

R.Janik, R.Janik and M.Heller;

- Shear Viscosity equation (first order)

$$\partial_\tau \epsilon = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\epsilon}{\tau} + \frac{\eta}{\tau^2}$$

- Asymptotic Expansion of the Black Hole Solution

$$a(\tau, z), b(\tau, z), c(\tau, z) \Rightarrow \sum_n \lambda_n^{a,b,c}(v) \tau^{-2n/3}$$

$$\mathfrak{R}^2 = R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \Rightarrow \sum_n \mathfrak{R}_n^2 \tau^{-2n/3}$$

- Results

$$\frac{\eta}{S} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \quad \text{Universality (needs } n \rightarrow 2 \text{)}$$

$$\tau_{Rel} = (1 - \log 2)/(2\pi T) \quad \text{Relaxation Time: } n \rightarrow 3$$

R. Baier, P. Romatschke, D.T. Son, A.O. Starinets, M.A. Stephanov;

M. Natsuume, T. Okamura

$$\langle \text{Tr} F^2 \rangle < 0 : \quad \text{Einstein+Dilaton; Magnetic } > \text{ Electric}$$

# Isotropization/Thermalization (1)

R.Janik,R.P.

## Stability of the expanding plasma

- Quasinormal scalar modes

$$\Delta\phi \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}}\partial_n(\sqrt{-g}g^{ij}\partial_j\phi) = 0$$

$$-\frac{1}{v^3}\frac{(1+v^4)^2}{1-v^4}\partial_\tau^2\phi(\tau,v) + \tau^{-\frac{2}{3}}\partial_v\left(\frac{1}{v^3}(1-v^8)\partial_v\phi(\tau,v)\right) = 0$$

- Separation of variables  $\phi(\tau,v) = f(\tau)\phi(v)$

$$\partial_\tau^2 f(\tau) = -\omega^2\tau^{-\frac{2}{3}}f(\tau) \Rightarrow f(\tau) = \sqrt{\tau}J_{\pm\frac{3}{4}}\left(\frac{3}{2}\omega\tau^{\frac{2}{3}}\right) \sim \tau^{\frac{1}{6}}e^{\frac{3}{2}i\omega\tau^{\frac{2}{3}}}$$

$$\partial_v\left(\frac{1}{v^3}(1-v^8)\partial_v\phi(v)\right) + \omega^2\frac{1}{v^3}\frac{(1+v^4)^2}{1-v^4}\phi(v) = 0$$

~ G. T. Horowitz and V. E. Hubeny (1999)

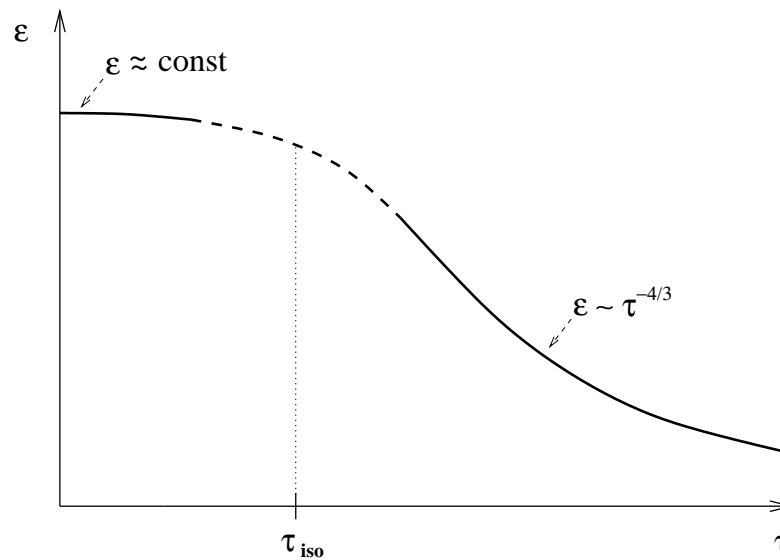
- Short Decay Proper-Time

$$\frac{\omega_c}{\pi T} \sim 3.1194 - 2.74667 i \Rightarrow \tau \sim \frac{1}{8.3 T}$$

# Isotropization/Thermalization (2)

Kovchegov, Taliotis

Evolution at small vs. large proper-time  
Assuming Monodromy instead of Regularity



Evaluation of The Isotropization/Thermalization time

$$\text{Matching : } z_h^{\text{late}}(\tau) = \left(\frac{3}{e_0}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \equiv z_h^{\text{early}}(\tau) = \tau$$

$$\text{Isotropization : } \tau_{\text{iso}} = \left(\frac{3N_c^2}{2\pi^2 e_0}\right)^{3/8}$$

$$\text{Typical Scale : } \epsilon(\tau) = e_0 \tau^{4/3} \Big|_{\tau=.6} \sim 15 \text{ GeV fermi}^{-3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_{\text{iso}} \sim .3 \text{ fermi}$$

# Initial Conditions: Shock Waves (1)

- One Initial Shock Wave

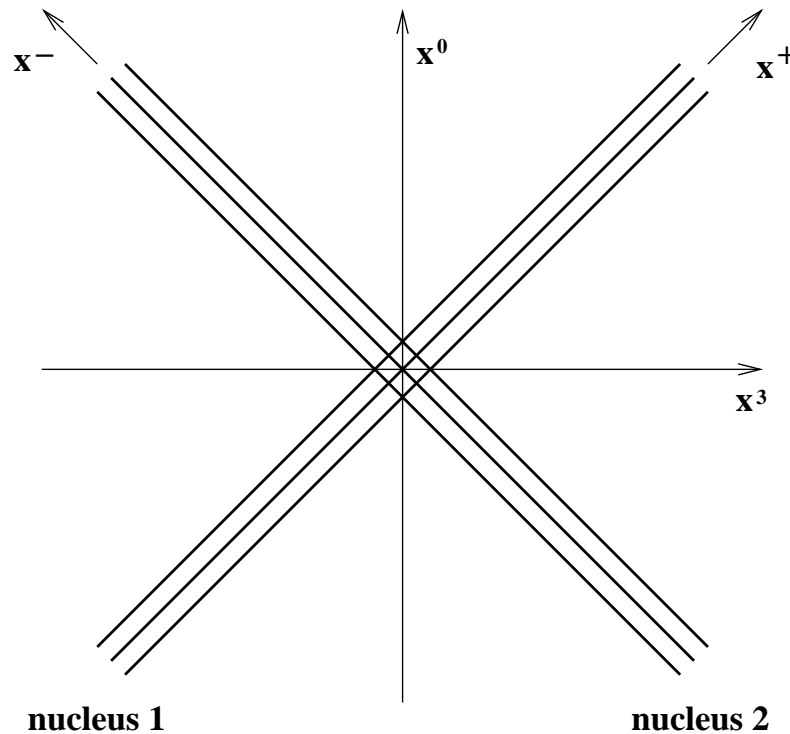
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$$ds^2 = \frac{-2dx^+dx^- + \mu_1 z^4 \delta(x^-) dx^{-2} + d\mathbf{x}_\perp^2 + dz^2}{z^2}$$

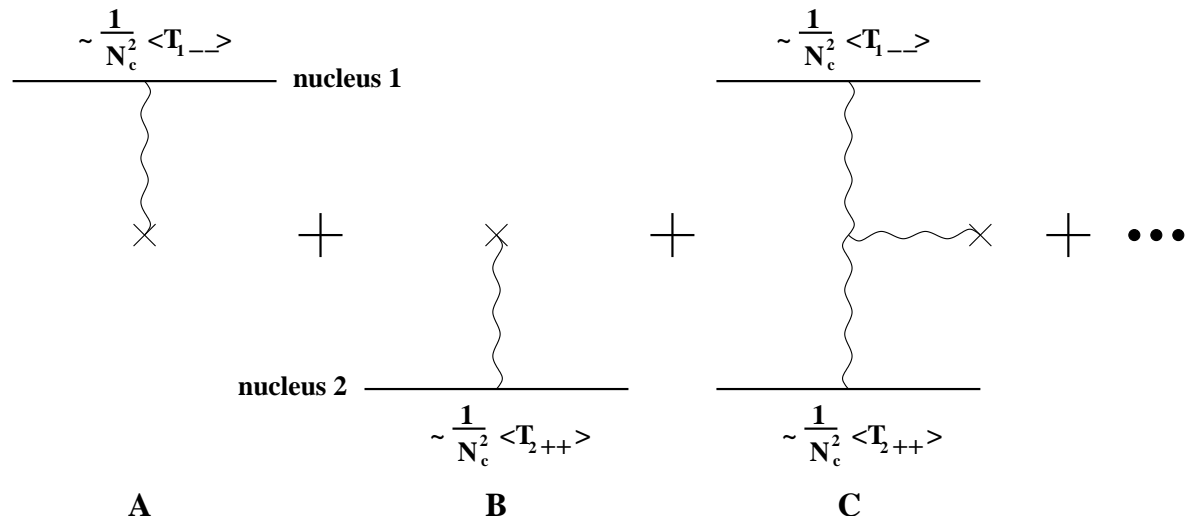
- Shock-wave collisions

Grumiller, Romatschke (2008)

Albacete, Kovchegov, Taliotis (2008)



# Initial Conditions: Shock Waves (2)

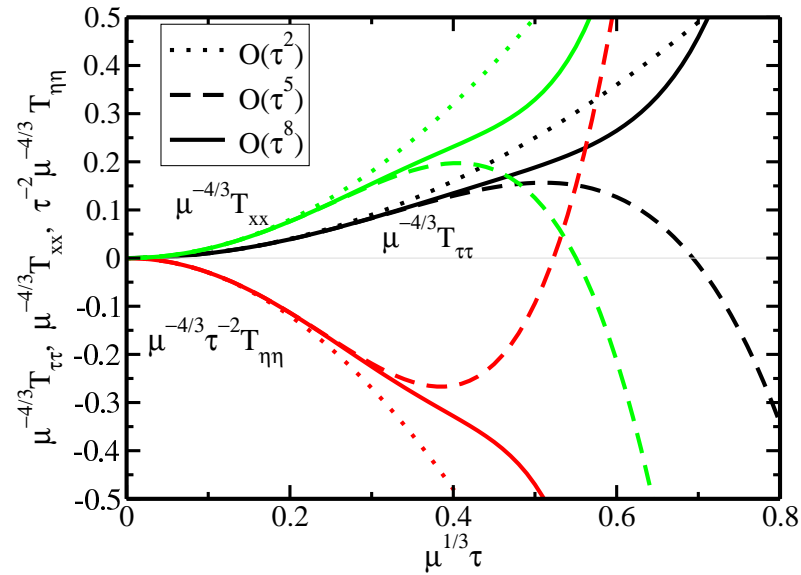


$$ds^2 = \frac{L^2}{z^2} \left\{ -2 dx^+ dx^- + dx_\perp^2 + dz^2 + \frac{2\pi^2}{N_c^2} \langle T_{1--}(x^-) \rangle z^4 dx^{-2} + \frac{2\pi^2}{N_c^2} \langle T_{2++}(x^+) \rangle z^4 dx^{+2} + \text{higher order graviton exchanges} \right\} \quad (1)$$

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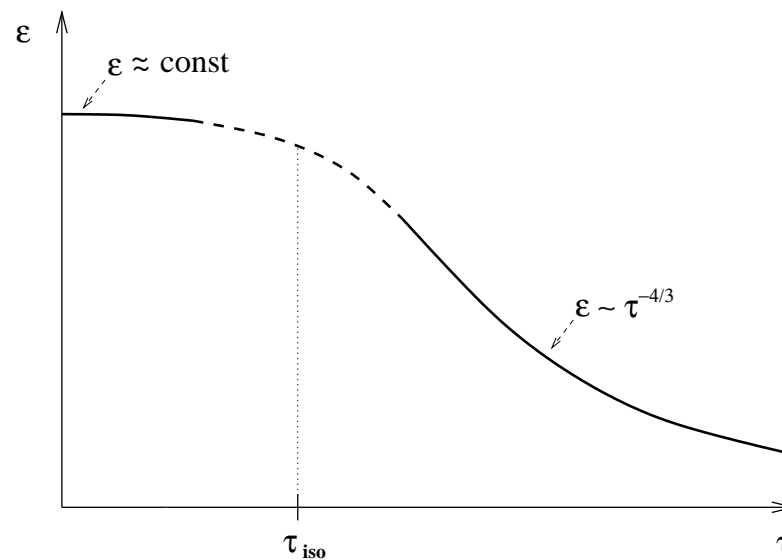
# Initial Conditions: Shock Waves (3)

- Strong Coupling: Full Stopping  $\sim$  Landau



From: Grumiller, Romatschke

- Weak Coupling





# Conclusions

In progress:

- Gauge-Gravity Correspondence  
A promising way towards QCD at strong coupling
- Results on AdS/CFT  $\rightarrow$   $S^4$ QCD Hydrodynamics  
Perfect Fluid, Viscosity, Thermalization, Flavors, Instabilities
- NB: Other studies  
Jet Quenching, Quark Dragging, ...

In outlook:

- Can we go beyond Boost Invariance?  
from Bjorken, Landau to real Hydrodynamics?
- Can we follow the flow from Ions to Hadrons?  
Initial and Final conditions for Hydrodynamic Flow
- From  $S^4$ QCD to  $S^0$ QCD Hydrodynamics ?  
Can we construct the “Dual” of the actual QGP?

Why Einstein Eqs. govern the strong coupling  
 $\mathcal{N}^4$ QGP?

EXTRA SLIDES

## More on AdS<sub>5</sub>

- $D_3$ -brane Solution of Super Gravity:

$$ds^2 = f^{-1/2}(-dt^2 + \sum_1^3 dx_n^2) + f^{1/2}(dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_5)$$

“On-Branes  $\times$  Out-Branes”

$$f = 1 + \frac{R^4}{r^4} ; R^4 = 4\pi g_{YM}^2 \alpha'^2 N$$

- “Maldacena limit”: Strong coupling

$$\frac{\alpha'(\rightarrow 0)}{r(\rightarrow 0)} \rightarrow z , R \text{ fixed} \Rightarrow g_{YM}^2 N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{z^2}(-dt^2 + \sum_{1-3} dx_n^2 + dz^2) + R^2 d\Omega_5$$

Background Structure: AdS<sub>5</sub>  $\times$  S<sub>5</sub>