# Lattice Boltzmann models for the simulation of rarefied flows in general relativity using tetrad fields

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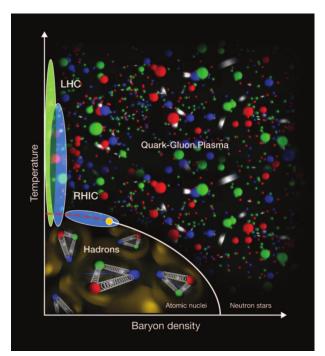


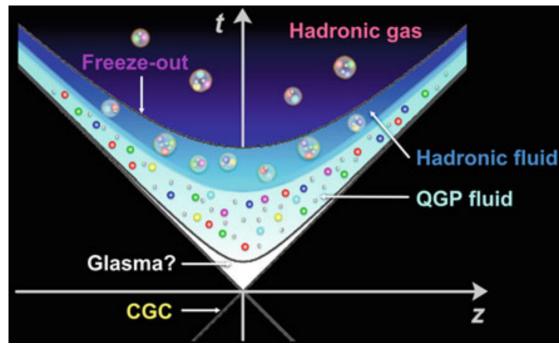
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# Relativistic heavy ion collisions

## Quark-gluon plasma: hydrodynamic phase



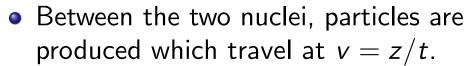


B. V. Jacak, B. Muller, Science A. Monnai, PhD Thesis (Tokyo, 2014).337 (2012) 310.

- $\bullet$  Until  $\sim 10\,\mu s$  after the Big-Bang, the quarks and gluons where deconfined into the QGP.
- At RHIC and LHC, this phase of matter was achieved.
- The strong coupling of the quarks and gluons in the QGP allows such systems to be described using an effective theory: relativistic fluid dynamics.

## Central plateau: Bjorken flow

 Bjorken<sup>1</sup> argued that the constituents of colliding nuclei travel longitudinally at the speed of light from the point of collision.



• The "boost invariance" of this system is ensured by imposing  $E \simeq 1 - -10 {\rm GeV/fm}^3$  at  $\tau = \sqrt{t^2 - z^2} \simeq 1 \, {\rm fm/c}$ 

• In the transverse direction, a shock wave propagates outwards, while a rarefaction wave propagates inwards at  $c_s \simeq 1/\sqrt{3}$ .

 The fluid unaffected by the rarefaction is homogeneous in the transverse directions.

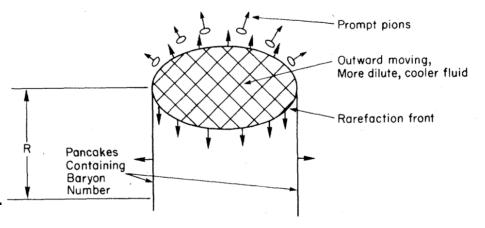
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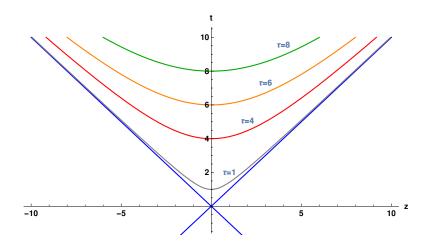
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Pictures taken from Bjorken (1983).

<sup>1</sup>J. D. Bjorken, Phys. Rev. D **27** (1983) 140.

## Bjorken flow: Milne coordinates



• Boost invariance of the QGP along z prompts the use of  $\tau$  and w (Milne coordinates):

$$au = \sqrt{t^2 - z^2}, \qquad w = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{t+z}{t-z} = \operatorname{arctanh} \frac{z}{t}.$$
 (1)

• The Minkowski line element becomes:

$$ds^{2} = -dt^{2} + dx^{2} + dy^{2} + dz^{2} = -d\tau^{2} + dx^{2} + dy^{2} + \tau^{2}dw^{2}.$$
 (2)

• With respect to Milne coordinates,  $u_{\text{Milne}}^{\mu} = (1,0,0,0)$ . In Minkowski:

$$u_{\mathrm{Mink}}^{\mu} = \left(\frac{t}{\tau}, 0, 0, \frac{z}{\tau}\right)^{T} \Rightarrow v_{z} = \frac{z}{t}.$$
 (3)

#### Gubser flow: transverse propagation

- ullet Bjorken's assumption that transverse dynamics are negligible is not realistic, since the diameter of a nucleus  $\sim 10\,\mathrm{fm}$ .
- Gubser flow undergoes simultaneously boost-invariant longitudinal and azimuthally symmetric ("radial") transverse expansion.
- Gubser flow is symmetric under the Gubser group  $SO(3)_q \otimes SO(1,1) \otimes Z_2$ :

$$\xi_{1} = \partial_{x} + q^{2} \left[ 2x(x^{\nu}\partial_{\nu}) - (x^{\mu}x_{\mu})\partial_{x} \right],$$
  

$$\xi_{2} = \partial_{y} + q^{2} \left[ 2y(x^{\nu}\partial_{\nu}) - (x^{\nu}x_{\nu})\partial_{y} \right],$$
  

$$\xi_{3} = \partial_{\varphi},$$
(4)

where q is an inverse length scale.

• The resulting velocity has components:

$$u = \cosh \kappa \partial_{\tau} + \sinh \kappa \partial_{R}, \qquad \kappa = \operatorname{arctanh} \frac{2q^{2}\tau R}{1 + q^{2}\tau^{2} + q^{2}R^{2}}.$$
 (5)

In Minkowski coordinates:

$$u^t = \frac{t}{\sqrt{t^2 - z^2}} \cosh \kappa, \qquad u^R = \sinh \kappa, \qquad u^z = \frac{z}{\sqrt{t^2 - z^2}} \cosh \kappa.$$
 (6)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>S. S. Gubser, Phys. Rev. D **82** (2010) 085027.

# Gubser flow: $dS_3 \otimes \mathbb{R}^3$

- Invariance under the Gubser group is hard to implement in Minkowski space.
- A conformal transformation from Minkowski to  $dS(3) \otimes \mathbb{R}$  makes these symmetries manifest.
- First, a conformal transformation is performed on the Minkowksi metric:

$$d\bar{s}^{2} = \frac{ds^{2}}{\tau^{2}} = \frac{-d\tau^{2} + dR^{2} + R^{2}d\varphi^{2}}{\tau^{2}} + dw^{2}.$$
 (7)

• The new coordinates  $\rho$  and  $\theta$  are introduced through:

$$\sinh \rho = -\frac{1 - q^2(\tau^2 - R^2)}{2q\tau}, \qquad \tan \theta = \frac{2qR}{1 + q^2(\tau^2 - R^2)}. \tag{8}$$

• The resulting metric describes the  $dS_3 \otimes \mathbb{R}$ :

$$d\hat{s}^2 = -d\rho^2 + \cosh^2\rho(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\varphi^2) + dw^2. \tag{9}$$

• Now the four-velocity of Gubser flow is simply  $\overline{u}^{\rho}=1$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>S. S. Gubser, A. Yarom, Nucl. Phys. B **846** (2011) 469.

LB models for flat space (Cartesian coordinates)

#### Relativistic Boltzmann equation

• The Boltzmann equation on Minkowski space reads:

$$\rho^t \partial_t f + \mathbf{p} \cdot \nabla f \equiv \rho^\mu \partial_\mu f = J[f], \tag{10}$$

where  $p^2 = -(p^t)^2 + \mathbf{p}^2 = 0$  for massless (ultrarelativistic) particles.

• The macroscopic quantities  $N^{\mu}$  and  $T^{\mu\nu}$  are obtained using:

$$N^{\mu} = \int \frac{d^3p}{p^t} f p^{\mu}, \qquad T^{\mu\nu} = \int \frac{d^3p}{p^t} f p^{\mu} p^{\nu}.$$
 (11)

• Multiplying Eq. (10) by the collision invariants  $\psi \in \{1, p^{\mu}\}$  and integrating w.r.t.  $d^3p/p^t$  yields the conservation equation:

$$\partial_{\mu} N^{\mu} = 0, \qquad \partial_{\nu} T^{\mu\nu} = 0. \tag{12}$$

#### Landau frame

• In the Landau (energy) frame, E and  $u^{\mu}$  are obtained from:

$$T^{\mu}_{\ \nu}u^{\nu} = -E u^{\mu}, \qquad u^2 = -1.$$
 (13)

• In general,  $N^{\mu}$  and  $T^{\mu\nu}$  can be decomposed into equilibrium and non-equilibrium terms:

$$N^{\mu} = n u^{\mu} - \frac{n}{F + P} q^{\mu}, \qquad T^{\mu \nu} = E u^{\mu} u^{\nu} + (P + \overline{\omega}) \Delta^{\mu \nu} + \pi^{\mu \nu}, \qquad (14)$$

where  $\Delta^{\mu\nu}=u^{\mu}u^{\nu}+\eta^{\mu\nu}$  and  $\overline{\omega}=0$  for massless particles

• The Landau frame is used for the Anderson-Witting approximation of J[f]:

$$J_{\text{A-W}}[f] = \frac{p \cdot u}{\tau} [f - f^{\text{(eq)}}]. \tag{15}$$

• For non-degenerate gases,  $f^{(eq)}$  is the Maxwell-Jüttner distribution:

$$f^{\text{(eq)}} = \frac{n}{8\pi T^3} \exp\left(\frac{p \cdot u}{T}\right). \tag{16}$$

### Lattice Boltzmann modelling

• The momentum space is replaced by  $p_k$  (k = 1, 2, ..., Q):

$$\partial_t f_k + \mathbf{v}_k \cdot \nabla f_k = \frac{\mathbf{v}_k \cdot \mathbf{u}}{\tau} [f_k - f_k^{\text{(eq)}}], \tag{17}$$

wher  $v_k^\mu = p_k^\mu/p_k^t$  and  $p_k^t = \sqrt{{f p}^2}$  for massless particles.

The macroscopic quantities are obtained using quadrature sums:

$$N^{\mu} = \sum_{k=1}^{Q} \frac{p_{k}^{\mu}}{p_{k}} f_{k}, \qquad T^{\mu\nu} = \sum_{k=1}^{Q} \frac{p_{k}^{\mu} p_{k}^{\nu}}{p_{k}} f_{k}. \tag{18}$$

- The construction of an LB model typically requires 3 steps:
- Choice of  $p_k$  (quadrature);
- 2 Polynomial truncation of  $f_k^{\text{(eq)}}$ ;
- Implementation of time evolution and advection.

#### Quadrature

A moment of order n is computed as:

$$M_n^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \int \frac{d^3 p}{p^t} f p^{\mu_1} \dots p^{\mu_n} = \sum_{k=1}^{Q_L} \sum_{i=1}^{Q_{\xi}} \sum_{j=1}^{Q_{\varphi}} \frac{p_{ijk}^{\mu_1} \dots p_{ijk}^{\mu_n}}{p_k} f_{ijk}, \qquad (19)$$

where  $p_{ijk}$  are determined by  $p_k$ ,  $\xi_i$  and  $\varphi_i$ :

$$L_{Q_L}^{(2)}(p_k/T_0) = 0, \qquad P_{Q_{\xi}}(\xi_j) = 0, \qquad \varphi_i = \frac{2\pi}{Q_{\varphi}}(i-1/2).$$
 (20)

•  $f_{ijk}$  is related to f through:

$$f_{ijk} = \frac{2\pi w_j^{\xi} w_k^L T_0^3}{Q_{\varphi} e^{-p_k/T_0}} f(p_k, \xi_j, \varphi_i), \tag{21}$$

where  $w_j^{\xi}$  and  $w_k^L$  are the Gauss-Legendre and Gauss-Laguerre quadrature weights:

$$w_j^{\xi} = \frac{2(1-\xi_j^2)}{[(Q_{\xi}+1)P_{Q_{\xi}+1}(\xi_j)]^2}, \qquad w_k^L = \frac{(Q_L+1)(Q_L+2)p_k/T_0}{[(Q_L+1)L_{Q_L+1}^{(2)}(p_k/T_0)]^2}.$$
(22)

#### Truncation of $f^{\text{(eq)}}$

• The moments of  $f^{(eq)}$  are also recovered using quadrature sums:

$$M_{n,(\text{eq})}^{\mu_{1}\dots\mu_{n}} = \sum_{k=1}^{Q_{L}} \sum_{j=1}^{Q_{\xi}} \sum_{i=1}^{Q_{\varphi}} f_{ijk}^{(\text{eq})} \frac{p_{ijk}^{\mu_{1}} \cdots p_{ijk}^{\mu_{n}}}{p_{k}}, \qquad f_{ijk}^{(\text{eq})} = \frac{2\pi w_{j}^{\xi} w_{k}^{L} T_{0}^{3}}{Q_{\varphi} e^{-p_{k}/T_{0}}} f^{(\text{eq})}(p_{k}, \xi_{j}, \varphi_{i}),$$
(23)

• The quadrature rule can be applied only if  $f_{ijk}^{(eq)}$  is a polynomial in  $p_k$ ,  $\xi_j$  and  $(\cos \varphi_i, \sin \varphi_i)$ :

$$f_{ijk}^{\text{(eq)}} = \frac{n \, u^0 \, w_j^{\xi} \, w_k^L}{2 Q_{\varphi}} \sum_{\ell=0}^{N_L} L_{\ell}^{(2)}(p_k/T_0) \sum_{s=0}^{N_{\Omega}} \widetilde{a}_{\ell,s}^{\text{(eq)}} P_s(\cos \gamma_{u;ij}), \tag{24}$$

where  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{p}_{ijk} = up_k \cos \gamma_{u;ij}$ .

• The coefficients  $\widetilde{a}_{\ell,s}^{(eq)}$  can be obtained analytically  $(\theta = T/T_0)$ :

$$\widetilde{a}_{0,0}^{(\text{eq})} = 1, \qquad \widetilde{a}_{0,1}^{(\text{eq})} = \frac{u}{u^0}, \qquad \widetilde{a}_{0,2}^{(\text{eq})} = \frac{3}{2u^3u^0} \operatorname{arcsinh} u + 1 - \frac{3}{2u^2},$$

$$\widetilde{a}_{1,0}^{(\text{eq})} = \widetilde{a}_{0,0}^{(\text{eq})} - \frac{\theta}{3u^0} (3 + 4u^2), \qquad \widetilde{a}_{1,1}^{(\text{eq})} = \widetilde{a}_{0,1}^{(\text{eq})} - \frac{4u\theta}{3}, \qquad \widetilde{a}_{1,2}^{(\text{eq})} = \widetilde{a}_{0,2}^{(\text{eq})} - \frac{4\theta u^2}{3u^0},$$

$$\text{etc.} ...$$

#### Numerical scheme

 In order to implement the advection, we write the Boltzmann equation in the following form:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \xi \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = S, \tag{25}$$

where  $\xi = p^z/p$  and the flow is assumed to be homogeneous along the x and y directions.

• Writing  $\partial_t f = L[f]$ , the TVD RK-3 scheme consists of the following steps:<sup>4</sup>

$$f^{(1)} = f(t) + \delta t L[f(t)],$$

$$f^{(2)} = \frac{3}{4} f(t) + \frac{1}{4} f^{(1)} + \frac{1}{4} \delta t L[f^{(1)}],$$

$$f(t + \delta t) = \frac{1}{3} f(t) + \frac{2}{3} f^{(2)} + \frac{2}{3} \delta t L[f^{(2)}].$$
(26)

• The advection is implemented using WENO-5:5

$$\frac{\partial(\xi f)}{\partial z} = \frac{\mathcal{F}_{s+1/2} - \mathcal{F}_{s-1/2}}{z_{s+1/2} - z_{z-1/2}}.$$
 (27)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>C.-W. Shu, S. Osher, J. Comput. Phys. **77** (1988) 439-471.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>L. Rezzolla, O. Zanotti, *Relativistic hydrodynamics* (Oxford University Press, Oxford, UK, 2013).

# Arbitrary coordinates and General relativity

## Arbitrary coordinates

- Let us employ arbitrary coordinates  $\{x^{\widetilde{\mu}}\}$  with  $p^{\widetilde{\mu}} = \frac{\partial x^{\widetilde{\mu}}}{\partial x^{\mu}} p^{\mu}$ .
- Geodesic motion is ensured using the Christoffel symbols  $(\tau^* = \tau/m)$ :

$$\frac{dx^{\widetilde{\mu}}}{d\tau^*} = p^{\widetilde{\mu}}, \qquad \frac{dp^{\widetilde{\imath}}}{d\tau^*} = -\Gamma^{\widetilde{\imath}}_{\widetilde{\mu}\widetilde{\nu}}p^{\widetilde{\mu}}p^{\widetilde{\nu}}. \tag{28}$$

• The Boltzmann equation in covariant form reads:

$$\frac{df}{d\tau^*} = p^{\widetilde{\mu}} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^{\widetilde{\mu}}} - \Gamma^{\widetilde{\imath}}_{\widetilde{\mu}\widetilde{\nu}} p^{\widetilde{\mu}} p^{\widetilde{\nu}} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p^{\widetilde{\imath}}} = J[f], \qquad p^{\widetilde{\mu}} = \frac{\partial x^{\widetilde{\mu}}}{\partial x^{\mu}} p^{\mu}. \tag{29}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>C. Cercignani, G. M. Kremer, *The Relativistic Boltzmann Equation - Theory and Applications* (Birkhäuser Basel, 2002).

### General relativity

- In GR,  $\eta_{\mu\nu}({\sf flat\ space-time}) \to g_{\mu\nu}({\sf curved\ space-time})$ .
- $g_{\mu\nu}$  satisfies the Einstein equations:

$$G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi T_{\mu\nu}.\tag{30}$$

• The metric tensor is linked to the line element through:

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^{\mu} dx^{\nu}. \tag{31}$$

• The formalism presented previously (29) applies unchanged for GR flows:

$$p^{\mu} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^{\mu}} - \Gamma^{i}{}_{\mu\nu} p^{\mu} p^{\nu} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p^{i}} = J[f], \tag{32}$$

where the Chirstoffel symbols must be computed from the metric:

$$\Gamma^{\lambda}{}_{\mu\nu} = g^{\lambda\sigma}\Gamma_{\sigma\mu\nu}, \qquad \Gamma_{\sigma\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}(g_{\sigma\mu,\nu} + g_{\sigma\nu,\mu} - g_{\mu\nu,\sigma}).$$
 (33)

#### Tetrad field

• The mass-shell condition  $p^2 = g_{\mu\nu}p^{\mu}p^{\nu} = -m^2$  implies:

$$p^{t} = \frac{p_{t} - g_{ti}p^{i}}{g_{tt}}, \qquad p_{t} = -\sqrt{-m^{2}g_{tt} - (g_{tt}g_{ij} - g_{ti}g_{tj})p^{i}p^{j}}. \tag{34}$$

• We introduce the tetrad frame  $e_{\hat{\alpha}}=e_{\hat{\alpha}}^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}$  and the one-form coframe  $\omega^{\hat{\alpha}}=\omega_{\mu}^{\hat{\alpha}}dx^{\mu}$ :

$$g_{\mu\nu}e^{\mu}_{\hat{\alpha}}e^{\nu}_{\hat{\beta}} = \eta_{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}}, \qquad \langle \omega^{\hat{\alpha}}, \eta_{\hat{\beta}} \rangle = \omega^{\hat{\alpha}}_{\mu}e^{\mu}_{\hat{\beta}} = \delta^{\hat{\alpha}}_{\hat{\beta}}. \tag{35}$$

• Defining  $p^{\hat{\alpha}} = \omega_{\mu}^{\hat{\alpha}} p^{\mu}$ , the mass-shell condition becomes:

$$p^2 = -(p^{\hat{0}})^2 + \mathbf{p}^2 = -m^2 \Rightarrow p^{\hat{0}} = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m^2}.$$
 (36)

## Spherical coordinates in momentum space

•  $p^{\hat{i}} \in \{p^{\hat{1}}, p^{\hat{2}}, p^{\hat{3}}\}$  can be expressed using  $p^{\tilde{i}} \in \{p, \xi, \varphi\}$ :

$$p^{\hat{1}} = p\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}\cos\varphi, \qquad p^{\hat{2}} = p\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}\sin\varphi, \qquad p^{\hat{3}} = p\xi, \tag{37}$$

where  $\xi = \cos \theta$ .

- The mass-shell condition implies  $p^{\hat{0}} = \sqrt{m^2 + p^2}$ .
- The parametrisation (37) introduces a metric  $\lambda_{ij}$  in the momentum space:

$$d\Phi^{2} = \lambda_{\widetilde{i}\widetilde{\jmath}}dp^{\widetilde{i}}dp^{\widetilde{j}}, \qquad \lambda_{\widetilde{i}\widetilde{\jmath}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & p^{2}/(1-\xi^{2}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & p^{2}(1-\xi^{2}) \end{pmatrix}. \tag{38}$$

### Boltzmann equation using tetrads

• The Boltzmann equation (29) can be put in conservative form:<sup>7</sup>

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}}\partial_{\mu}\left(\sqrt{-g}e_{\hat{\alpha}}^{\mu}p^{\hat{\alpha}}f\right) - \frac{p^{\hat{0}}}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\frac{\partial}{\partial p^{\tilde{i}}}\left(P^{\tilde{i}}{}_{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}}\frac{p^{\hat{\alpha}}p^{\hat{\beta}}}{p^{\hat{0}}}f\sqrt{\lambda}\right) = J[f]. \tag{39}$$

•  $P_{\hat{i}}^{\widetilde{\jmath}} = \partial p^{\widetilde{\jmath}}/\partial p^{\hat{i}}$  has components:<sup>8</sup>

$$P^{\widetilde{\jmath}_{\widehat{\imath}}} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \cos \varphi & \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \sin \varphi & \xi \\ -\frac{\xi}{p} \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \cos \varphi & -\frac{\xi}{p} \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \sin \varphi & \frac{1}{p} (1 - \xi^2) \\ -\frac{\sin \varphi}{p \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}} & \frac{\cos \varphi}{p \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{40}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>C. Y. Cardall, E. Endeve, A. Mezzacappa, Phys. Rev. D **88** (2013) 023011.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>V. E. Ambruș, R. Blaga, Annals of West University of Timisoara - Physics **58** (2015) 89–108.

#### Macroscopic moments

The macroscopic moments are obtained as on Minkowski space:

$$\begin{pmatrix} N^{\hat{\alpha}} \\ T^{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}} \end{pmatrix} = \int \frac{d^{3}\hat{p}}{p^{\hat{0}}} f \begin{pmatrix} p^{\hat{\alpha}} \\ p^{\hat{\alpha}}p^{\hat{\beta}} \end{pmatrix} 
= \int_{0}^{\infty} dp \begin{pmatrix} p^{2} \\ p^{3} \end{pmatrix} \int_{-1}^{1} d\xi \int_{0}^{2\pi} d\varphi f \begin{pmatrix} v^{\hat{\alpha}} \\ v^{\hat{\alpha}}v^{\hat{\beta}} \end{pmatrix}.$$
(41)

- The above integrals can be recovered as on Minkowski space, using the Gauss-Laguerre (p), Gauss-Legendre  $(\xi)$  and Mysovskikh  $(\varphi)$  quadratures.
- The conservation equations  $\nabla_{\hat{\alpha}} N^{\hat{\alpha}} = 0$  and  $\nabla_{\hat{\beta}} T^{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}} = 0$  imply the following conserved quantities:

$$\mathcal{N} = \int d^3x \sqrt{-g} e_{\hat{\alpha}}^t N^{\hat{\alpha}}, \qquad \mathcal{T}_k = \int d^3x \sqrt{-g} e_{\hat{\alpha}}^t T^{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}} k_{\hat{\beta}}, \tag{42}$$

where  $k_{\hat{\beta};\hat{\gamma}} + k_{\hat{\gamma};\hat{\beta}} = 0$ .

• Our numerical schemes are constructed such that  $\mathcal{N}$  and  $\mathcal{T}_k$  are exactly preserved.

### Global thermodynamic equilibrium

• The Boltzmann equation on curved spaces reads:

$$p^{\hat{\alpha}}e^{\mu}_{\hat{\alpha}}\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^{\mu}}-\Gamma^{\hat{\imath}}{}_{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}}p^{\hat{\alpha}}p^{\hat{\beta}}\frac{\partial f}{\partial p^{\hat{\imath}}}=J[f]. \tag{43}$$

• The collision term J[f] cancels when  $f = f^{(eq)}$ :

$$f^{\text{(eq)}} = \left[ \exp\left(-\frac{\mu}{T} - \frac{p \cdot u}{T}\right) - \epsilon \right]^{-1}, \tag{44}$$

where  $\epsilon = -1$ , 1 and 0 for Fermi-Dirac, Bose-Einstein and Maxwell-Jüttner statistics.

•  $f^{\text{(eq)}}$  satisfies Eq. (43) when:

$$abla_{\hat{\alpha}}\left(\frac{\mu}{T}\right) = 0, \qquad \nabla_{\hat{\alpha}}\left(\frac{u_{\hat{\beta}}}{T}\right) + \nabla_{\hat{\beta}}\left(\frac{u_{\hat{\alpha}}}{T}\right) = 0.$$
(45)

• The flow is in global thermal equilibrium if  $\mu/T$  is constant and when  $u^{\hat{\alpha}}/T$  is a Killing vector field.

#### Conformal transformations

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- A conformal (Weyl) transformation is  $\overline{g}_{\mu\nu} = \Omega^2(x)g_{\mu\nu}$ .
- Under a Weyl transformation:

$$\overline{e}_{\hat{\alpha}}^{\mu} = \Omega^{-1} e_{\hat{\alpha}}^{\mu}, \quad \overline{p}^{\hat{\alpha}} = \Omega^{-1} p^{\hat{\alpha}}, \quad \overline{u}^{\hat{\alpha}} = u^{\hat{\alpha}}, \quad \overline{f} = f, \quad \overline{T} = \Omega^{-1} T, 
\overline{\Gamma}^{\hat{\gamma}}{}_{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}} \overline{p}^{\hat{\alpha}} \overline{p}^{\hat{\beta}} = \frac{1}{\Omega^{2}} \left[ \Gamma^{\hat{\gamma}}{}_{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}} p^{\hat{\alpha}} p^{\hat{\beta}} + (e_{\hat{\alpha}}^{\nu} p^{2} - p^{\hat{\beta}} e_{\hat{\beta}}^{\nu} p_{\hat{\alpha}}) \partial_{\nu} \Omega^{-1} \right], 
(\partial_{\mu} \overline{f})_{\overline{p}\hat{i}} = (\partial_{\mu} f)_{p\hat{i}} - (\partial_{\mu} \Omega^{-1}) p^{\hat{i}} \partial_{p\hat{i}} f. \tag{46}$$

• The Boltzmann equation transforms as:

$$\overline{p}^{\hat{\alpha}} \overline{e}_{\hat{\alpha}}^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} \overline{f} - \overline{\Gamma}^{\hat{i}}_{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}} \overline{p}^{\hat{\alpha}} \overline{p}^{\hat{\beta}} \frac{\partial \overline{f}}{\partial \overline{p}^{\hat{i}}} - \overline{J}[\overline{f}] =$$

$$\frac{1}{\Omega^{2}} \left\{ p^{\hat{\alpha}} e_{\hat{\alpha}}^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} f - \Gamma^{\hat{i}}_{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}} p^{\hat{\alpha}} p^{\hat{\beta}} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p^{\hat{i}}} - \Omega^{2} \overline{J}[f] - p^{2} \eta^{\hat{i}\hat{\alpha}} e_{\hat{\alpha}}^{\nu} \partial_{p^{\hat{i}}} f \partial_{\nu} \Omega^{-1} \right\}, \quad (47)$$

•  $\overline{J}[f] = \Omega^{-2}J[f]$  is ensured if  $\tau \sim T^{-1}$ , i.e.:

$$J[f] = \frac{p \cdot u}{\tau} [f - f^{\text{(eq)}}], \qquad \tau = \frac{c_{\tau}}{T}, \tag{48}$$

• The Boltzmann equation is conformally invariant if  $p^2 = 0.9$  <sup>9</sup>G. Denicol et al, Phys. Rev. D **90** (2014) 125026.

# Conformal soliton flow. $AdS_2 \otimes S_2^{11}$

- First proposed as a spherically symmetric expanding wave.<sup>10</sup>
- To derive the flow velocity, a conformal transformation with  $\Omega = r^{-1}$  is performed:

$$d\bar{s}^{2} = \frac{ds^{2}}{r^{2}} = -\cosh^{2}\rho \, dT^{2} + d\rho^{2} + d\theta^{2} + \sin^{2}\theta \, d\varphi^{2}, \tag{49}$$

where T and  $\rho$  are:

$$\cosh \rho = \frac{1}{2Lr} \sqrt{[L^2 + (r+t)^2][L^2 + (r-t)^2]}, \qquad \tan T = \frac{L^2 + r^2 - t^2}{2Lt}.$$
(50)

• The flow is described by  $\overline{u}^T = 1/\cosh \rho$  which in Minkowski corresponds to:

$$u^{t} = \frac{L^{2} + r^{2} + t^{2}}{\sqrt{[L^{2} + (r+t)^{2}][L^{2} + (r-t)^{2}]}},$$

$$u^{r} = \frac{2tr}{\sqrt{[L^{2} + (r+t)^{2}][L^{2} + (r-t)^{2}]}}.$$
(51)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>J. J. Friess, S. S. Gubser, G. Michalogiorgakis, S. S. Pufu, JHEP04(2007)080.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>J. Noronha, G. S. Denicol, Phys. Rev. D **92** (2015) 114032.

## $AdS_2 \otimes S_2$ : Boltzmann equation

• The following tetrad can be employed:

$$e_{\hat{T}} = \frac{\partial_T}{\cosh \rho}, \qquad e_{\hat{\rho}} = \partial_{\rho}, \qquad e_{\hat{\theta}} = \partial_{\theta}, \qquad e_{\hat{\phi}} = \frac{\partial_{\phi}}{\sin \theta}.$$
 (52)

 In the case when the flow is spherically-symmetric, the Boltzmann equation reads:

$$\partial_{\mathcal{T}} f + \xi \partial \rho (f \cosh \rho) - \sinh \rho \left\{ \frac{\xi}{p^{2}} \frac{\partial (fp^{3})}{\partial p} + \frac{\partial [(1 - \xi^{2})f]}{\partial \xi} \right\}$$

$$= -\frac{\cosh \rho}{\tau} (u^{\hat{\tau}} - \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u})[f - f^{(eq)}], \quad (53)$$

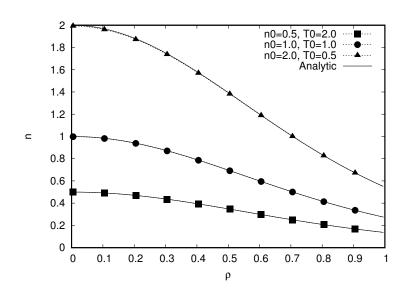
where  $p^{\hat{
ho}}=p\xi$ ,  $p^{\hat{ heta}}=p\sqrt{1-\xi^2}\cosarphi$  and  $p^{\hat{arphi}}=p\sqrt{1-\xi^2}\sinarphi$ .

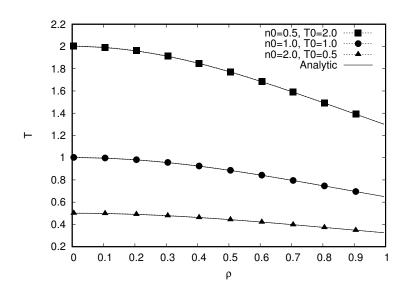
## $AdS_2 \otimes S_2$ : LB model

- The discretisation of the momentum space is performed using  $Q = Q_L \times Q_{\xi} \times Q_{\varphi}$  quadrature points.
- Since the azimuthal degrees of freedom contribute trivially, we set  $Q_{\varphi}=1$  and perform the  $\varphi$  integrations analytically in deriving macroscopic moments.
- The p degrees of freedom are also trivial when m=0, such that  $Q_L=2$  is sufficient for the exact recovery of the evolution of  $T^{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}}$ .
- The derivatives w.r.t.  $\xi$  and p are computed using:

$$\left[\frac{1}{p^{2}}\frac{\partial(fp^{3})}{\partial p}\right]_{ijk} = \sum_{k'=1}^{Q_{L}} \mathcal{K}_{k,k'}^{L} f_{ijk'}, \qquad \left[\frac{\partial[(1-\xi^{2})f]}{\partial \xi}\right]_{ijk} = \sum_{j'=1}^{Q_{\xi}} \mathcal{K}_{j,j'}^{P} f_{ij'k}, 
\mathcal{K}_{k,k'}^{L} = w_{k}^{L} \sum_{\ell=1}^{Q_{L}-1} \frac{1}{\ell+1} L_{\ell}^{(2)}(\overline{p}_{k}) \left[L_{\ell-1}^{(2)}(\overline{p}_{k'}) - \frac{\ell}{\ell+2} L_{\ell}^{(2)}(\overline{p}_{k'})\right], 
\mathcal{K}_{j,j'}^{P} = w_{j}^{\xi} \sum_{\ell=1}^{Q_{\xi}-1} \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2} P_{\ell}(\xi_{j}) \left[P_{\ell+1}(\xi_{j'}) - P_{\ell-1}(\xi_{j'})\right]. \tag{54}$$

## Global equilibrium





- The solution we are interested in is  $u^{\hat{\alpha}} = (1, 0, 0, 0)^T$ .
- This corresponds to

$$n = \frac{n_0}{\cosh^3 \rho}, \qquad T = \frac{T_0}{\cosh \rho}. \tag{55}$$

- The system is initialised with  $n = n_0$  and  $T = T_0$ .
- On the right boundary  $\rho = \rho_{\rm b}$ , the condition  $f = f^{\rm (eq)}(n_{\rm b}, T_{\rm b})$  is imposed, where  $n_{\rm b}$  and  $T_{\rm b}$  are given by (55) when  $\rho = \rho_{\rm b}$

# Conclusion

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#### Conclusion

- Using a conformal transformation, a complicated flow on Minkowski can become simple on a curved space.
- LB modelling can be useful to investigate dissipative processes in curved spaces.
- Using the vielbein (tetrad) formalism, the LB algorithm is identical to that for Minkowski space (same quadrature).
- Quadrature methods coupled with finite difference are versatile tools for simulations in arbitrary coordinate systems.
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