Response functions of hot QCD matter from 5-dimensional gravity

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Mathematics of response functions

$$G_{R}(t) = \langle i [A(t), B(0)] \theta(t) \rangle_{T} \qquad \rho(\omega) = \operatorname{Im} G_{R}(\omega)$$

$$G_{R}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega'}{\pi} \frac{\rho(\omega')}{\omega' - \omega - i\epsilon} \sim \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \, e^{i(\omega + i\epsilon)t} \dots$$

$$\omega + i\epsilon \to i\omega_{n} \equiv i2\pi nT$$

$$G_{\beta}(\tau) = T \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega_{n}\tau} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega'}{\pi} \frac{\rho(\omega')}{\omega' - i\omega_{n}}$$

$$0 < \tau < \beta = \hbar/T$$

$$G(\tau, \mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^{3}k}{(2\pi)^{3}} e^{i\mathbf{x}\cdot\mathbf{k}} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{\pi} \rho(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \frac{\cosh(\frac{1}{2}\beta - \tau)\omega}{\sinh\frac{1}{2}\beta\omega}$$

Spectral function of $T_{12}(t, \mathbf{x})$

$$G(\tau, \mathbf{k} = 0; T) = \langle \int d^3x T_{12}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) T_{12}(0, \mathbf{0}) \rangle_T$$

$$\rho(\omega, \mathbf{k} = 0) = \eta \,\omega + \dots$$

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \approx \frac{p\tau_c}{s} \approx \frac{T^4 \tau_c}{T^3} = T \tau_c \gtrsim \hbar \qquad \text{uncertainty principle}$$

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \ge \frac{\hbar}{4\pi} \qquad \approx \frac{10^{-5}}{10^{27}} \gg \frac{10^{-35}}{4\pi}$$

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 δ function poles at glueball masses $2\Lambda\sqrt{2+m}$, m = 0, 1, 2, ...

In vacuum T₁₂ just excites glueballs What happens at finite T? How is viscosity created?



We shall work out strong coupling nonconformal: Tc, glueballs

Algorithm for computing $\rho(\omega)$ from 5dim gravity

1. Choose action leading to asymptotically AdS background

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \int d^5 x \, \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{4}{3} \, (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 + V(\phi) \right] \quad \lambda(z) = e^{\phi(z)}$$

$$ds^{2} = b^{2}(z) \left[-f(z)dt^{2} + d\mathbf{x}^{2} + \frac{dz^{2}}{f(z)} \right]$$

$$b(z) \rightarrow \frac{\mathcal{L}}{z}$$
 $f(z_h) = 0$ $s = \frac{b^3(z_h)}{4G_5}$

Improved Holographic QCD

IHQCD, Kiritsis et al: solve numerically

Model:
$$b(z) = rac{\mathcal{L}}{z} \exp(-rac{1}{3}\Lambda^2 z^2) \ \lambda(z), f(z)$$
 analytic



2. Write down the linearised equation of fluctuations of g_{12} in this background

Cosmologists,
wake up!
$$g_{12} = b^2(z)[1 + h(t, x^3, z)] \qquad \frac{1}{2} h_{12} T^{12}$$
$$K=(\omega, \mathbf{k})$$
$$\ddot{h}_K(z) + \frac{d}{dz} \log(b^3 f) \cdot \dot{h}_K(z) + \left(\frac{\omega^2}{f^2} - \frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{f}\right) h_K = 0$$
$$f(z) = \dot{f}_h(z - z_h) + \dots \qquad h_K = (z - z_h)^p \Rightarrow p^2 + \frac{\omega^2}{\dot{f}_h^2} = 0$$

3. Solve the equation with the boundary condition: falling into BH

$$h_K(z \to z_h) = (z - z_h)^{i\omega/f_h} [1 + d_1(z - z_h) + ..]$$

4. Then simply

$$\rho(\omega, k) = \frac{1}{4\pi} s(T) \frac{\omega}{|h_K(0)|^2}$$
$$K = (\omega, k)$$

Backtrack a bit: Fundamental formula of gauge/gravity duality is

Gubser-Klebanov-Polyakov 98, 4866 citations

$$\langle \exp\left[i \int d^4x \, h_0 \, T^{12}\right] \rangle = \exp\left[i S_{\text{grav}}[h(x, z)]\right]_{h(x, z \to 0) = h_0(x)}$$

Generating functional of correlators of T_{12}

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 $S_{
m grav}$ at EOM depends only on boundary terms

Remember Noether, Wronskians:

$$\begin{split} S_{\text{grav}} &= \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} \int d^4x dz \, \partial^\mu h \partial_\mu h \\ &= -\underbrace{\partial_\mu \partial^\mu h}_{=0} \cdot h + \partial_z \underbrace{[\partial^z h \cdot h]}_{\text{remains!}} + \dots \\ \Rightarrow G(K) &= \frac{1}{16\pi G_5} f b^3 \dot{h}_K h_{-K} \qquad h_K(0) = 1 \\ s &= \frac{1}{4G_5} b^3(z_h) \qquad \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{In formula for ImG(K)} \\ \text{you divide} \\ \text{to correctly normalize!} \\ &= \frac{\mathcal{L}^3}{4G_5} (\pi T)^3 \end{split}$$

Here is G(K) of quantum field theory from classical gravity!

Check Model, IHQCD: thermodynamics, glueballs



Glueballs; why is the model confining?

$$-\psi''(z) + V(z)\psi(z) = m^2\psi(z) \qquad V(z) = \frac{15}{4z^2} + \Lambda^4 z^2$$



These are poles of G(K), f(z)=1

Results: $ho(\omega, 0; T)$

(energy scales $\pi T = 2\Lambda$)



Reminder:

dims:

$$G(\tau, \mathbf{k} = 0; T) = \langle \int d^3 x T_{12}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) T_{12}(0, \mathbf{0}) \rangle_T$$

$$G(\tau, \mathbf{k}) = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{\pi} \rho(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \frac{\cosh(\frac{1}{2}\beta - \tau)\omega}{\sinh\frac{1}{2}\beta\omega}$$
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IHQCD

Meyer 0704.1801

Value of imag time correlator at the middle point:



If this really works quantitatively, can we conclude that no transport peak exists, QCD matter really is **s**QGP?

Many more plots of $G(\omega,k;T)$ have been computed, not shown

Conclusions

We have used AdS/QCD to compute $G(\omega,k)$ for T_{12} using an asymptotically AdS 5d gravity background with first order phase transition and glueballs, all ω,k

Utility: solve QCD matter in the strong coupling domain, where exps are done(?)

Sizable effects of non-conformality are observed; increase when T decreases towards Tc.

We suggest that possible agreement of these computations and lattice MC measurements might shed light on the weak/strong interaction issue

Extension to other correlators possible – fluctuation equation more complicated

