Anisotropic Holography and Inverse Catalysis

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Briefly on AdS/CFT

• Gauge/Gravity duality: A way to map quantum questions to gravity geometric questions and answer them.



• The initial AdS/CFT correspondence: $\mathcal{N} = 4$ sYM on flat space $\Leftrightarrow AdS_5 \times S^5$, is the harmonic oscillator of the gauge/gravity dualities.



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• Since the discovery of the initial correspondence, there is an extensive research aiming to construct more realistic gauge/gravity dualities (confinement, no susy, temperature, quarks...).

✓ This talk: Anisotropic theories in Gauge/Gravity correspondence.

Why? Attempts for a first Realization of Nature

The existence of strongly coupled anisotropic systems.

- The expansion of the plasma along the longitudinal beam axis at the earliest times after the collision results to momentum anisotropic plasmas.
- Strong Magnetic Fields in strongly coupled theories.
- New interesting phenomena in presence on such fiels, i.e. inverse magnetic catalysis.

eg: (Bali, Bruckmann, Endrodi, Fodor, Katz, Krieg et al. 2011)

• Anisotropic low dimensional materials in condensed matter.

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Why?	More:			

• Weakly coupled vs strongly coupled anisotropic theories.

(Dumitru, Strickland, Romatschke, Baier,...)

- Top-down supergravity Black hole solutions that are AdS in UV flowing to Lifshitz-like in IR :
 - \star Fixed scaling parameter z for such anisotropic solutions?

(Azeyanagi, Li, Takayanagi, 2009; Mateos, Trancanelli, 2011;...)

* New flows to alternative IR fixed points?

• (Striking Features! Several Universality Relations for the isotropic theories are violated in aniso!

Shear viscosity η over entropy density *s*: takes parametrically low values wrt degree of anisotropy $\frac{\eta}{s} < \frac{1}{4\pi}!$ (Rebhan, Steineder 2011; D.G. 2012; Jain, Samanta, Trivedy 2015; D.G., Gursoy, Pedraza, 2017)

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Reminding	g Slide:			

• The anisotropic hyperscaling violation metric

$$ds^{2} = u^{-rac{2 heta}{d}} \left(-u^{2z} \left(dt^{2} + dy_{i}^{2}
ight) + u^{2} dx_{i}^{2} + rac{du^{2}}{u^{2}}
ight)$$

exhibits a critical exponent z and a hyperscaling violation exponent θ .



- $\theta = 0, \ z = 1 \Rightarrow AdS.$
- $\theta = 0 \Rightarrow$ scale invariant theory.
- In general no scale invariance.

$$t \to \lambda^z t, \qquad y \to \lambda^z y, \qquad \mathbf{x} \to \lambda \mathbf{x}, \qquad u \to \frac{u}{\lambda} \ , \qquad ds \to \lambda^{\frac{\theta}{d}} ds \ .$$

A Theory with Phase Transitions in One Page:

- How the Field Theory looks like?
 - \checkmark 4d *SU*(*N*) Strongly coupled anisotropic gauge theory.
 - ✓ Its dynamics are affected by a scalar operator O_{Δ} (~ *TrF*²).
 - ✓ Anisotropy is introduced by another operator $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \sim \theta(x_3) TrF \wedge F$ with a space dependent coupling.
- The gravity dual theory is an Einstein-Axion-Dilaton theory in 5 dimensions with a non-trivial potential.
 - ✓ A "backreacting" scalar field depending on spatial directions, the axion; and a non-trivial dilaton.
 - ✓ Solutions are non-trivial RG flows: Conformal fixed point in the UV ⇒ Anisotropic (Hyperscaling Lifshitz-like) in IR.
- The vacuum state confines color and there exists a phase transition at finite T_c above which a deconfined plasma state arises.

(D.G., Gursoy, Pedraza, 2017)

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How is Anisotropy introduced? A Pictorial Representation:

- For the Lifshitz-like IIB Supergravity solutions
 - $ds^{2} = u^{2z}(dx_{0}^{2} + dx_{i}^{2}) + u^{2}dx_{3}^{2} + \frac{du^{2}}{u^{2}} + ds_{S^{5}}^{2}.$

Introduction of additional branes:

(Azeyanagi, Li, Takayanagi, 2009)



• Which equivalently leads to the following AdS/CFT deformation.



• $dC_8 \sim \star d\chi$ with the non-zero component $C_{x_0x_1x_2S^5}$.

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An Anisotropic Theory

The generalized Einstein-Axion-Dilaton action with a potential for the dilaton and an arbitrary coupling between the axion and the dilaton:

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^5 x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial \phi)^2 + V(\phi) - \frac{1}{2} Z(\phi) (\partial \chi)^2 \right].$$

The eoms read

$$\begin{split} R_{\mu\nu} &- \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \phi \partial_{\nu} \phi + \frac{1}{2} Z(\phi) \partial_{\mu} \chi \partial_{\nu} \chi - \frac{1}{4} g_{\mu\nu} (\partial \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{4} g_{\mu\nu} Z(\partial \chi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} V(\phi) , \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \partial_{\mu} \left(\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_{\nu} \phi \right) &= \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\phi} Z(\phi) (\partial \chi)^2 - V'(\phi) , \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \partial_{\mu} \left(\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_{\nu} \chi \right) &= 0 . \end{split}$$

Where

$$V(\phi) = 12\cosh(\sigma\phi) + \left(rac{m(\Delta)^2}{2} - 6\sigma^2
ight)\phi^2, \qquad Z(\phi) = e^{2\gamma\phi} \;.$$

(*Gursoy, Kiritsis, Nitti, 2007; (Gubser, Nellore), Pufu, Rocha 2008a,b)* Remark: For $\sigma = 0, \gamma = 1, m(\Delta) = 0$ the action and the solution of eoms, are reduced of IIB supergravity.

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A Solution : The RG Flow



Introduction The Theory Phase Transitions Universal Properties Conclusion Axion-Dilaton Coupling and Potential, rule the Scaling Coefficients

• The values of (θ, z) dependence on (γ, σ)

$$z=rac{4\gamma^2-3\sigma^2+2}{2\gamma(2\gamma-3\sigma)}\;,\qquad heta=rac{3\sigma}{2\gamma}\;.$$

- Special case: ($\sigma = 0, \gamma = 1$) supergravity truncated action with a single solution ($\theta = 0, z = 3/2$). (Mateos, Trancanelli, 2011)
- The scaling factors z and θ are determined by the constants in the Axion-Dilaton Coupling and the Potential. This is the reason that in the particular setup the supergravity solutions have them fixed.

We have obtained the theories, are they physical and stable?

✓ Energy Conditions Analysis:

$${}^{\vee}T_{\mu
u}N^{\mu}N^{
u}\geq 0 \;, \quad N^{\mu}N_{\mu}=0 \;.$$

AND

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✓ Local Thermodynamical Stability Analysis: Specific Heat, Chemical potential...

YES!

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The blue region is the acceptable for the theory parameters.





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Confinement/Deconfinement Phase transitions

- Competition for dominance between different gravitational backgrounds.
- The free energy of the theories vs the temperature T for different anisotropy $(\alpha/j=0,1,3)$:



- Horizontal Axis: Confining Phase.
- Upper Branch: Black hole A:Deconfining Plasma Phase.
- Lower Branch: Black hole B:Deconfining Plasma Phase.
- $\alpha/j \simeq 2$: A critical value above which a richer structure in the phase diagram exist.

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• The Critical Temperature of the theories vs the anisotropy gives:



• The T_c is reduced in presence of anisotropies of the theory.

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A Proposal				

- The *Tc*(α) decrease with α, resembling the phenomenon of inverse magnetic catalysis where the confinement-deconfinement temperature decreases with the magnetic field B.
- No charged fermionic degrees of freedom in our case; our plasma is neutral.
- Our findings suggest that the anisotropy could be a cause of lower T_c , together with the charge dynamics caused by the magnetic field in inverse magnetic catalysis.

Universal Results: η/s in Theories with Broken Symmetry

Consider a finite T theory:

 $ds^{2} = g_{tt}(u)dt^{2} + g_{11}(u)(dx_{1}^{2} + dx_{2}^{2}) + g_{33}(u)dx_{3}^{2} + g_{uu}(u)du^{2}$

- The Shear Viscosity is obtained by the two-point function of the energy momentum tensor.
- The anisotropic viscosity violates the isotropic "bound" of $1/4\pi$:



Frictionless Anisotropic Plasma.

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Langevin Dynamics and Brownian Motion

Langevin coefficients κ : Consider a heavy quark ($M \gg T$) moving along the " $\|$ " direction in a strongly coupled plasma.



The Macroscopic Langevin equation:

 $\dot{p}_i(t) = -\eta_D p_i(t) + \xi_i(t) ,$

p: the momentum of the particle, η_D : the friction coefficient, ξ : the random force.

$$ig \langle \xi_{\parallel,\perp}(t) ig
angle = 0 \,, \qquad ig \langle \xi_{\parallel,\perp}(t) \xi_{\parallel,\perp}(t') ig
angle = \kappa_{\parallel,\perp} \delta(t\!-\!t') \,, \qquad ig \langle p_{\parallel,\perp}^2 ig
angle = 2\kappa_{\parallel,\perp} \mathcal{T}$$

• For any holographic theory in the deconfined phase the stochastic nature of the particle obtained by the string Fluctuations and then Quantization in the holographic space:

(deBoer, Hubeny, Rangamani, Shigemori, 2009; Tong, Wong 2013)



A Universal Inequality for Isotropic Theory: $\kappa_{\parallel} \ge \kappa_{\perp}$ for any isotropic strongly coupled plasma! Can be inverted in the anisotropic theories: $\kappa_{\parallel} \ge <\kappa_{\perp}$.

(Gursoy, Kiritsis, Mazzanti, Nitti, 2010; D.G, Soltanpanahi, 2013a,b; D.G., Lee, Yeh 2018)

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Baryons in Theories with External Fields

• The quark distribution for baryons in theories with anisotropic dynamics:



- Baryon on the transverse plane and Baryon on the plane that the field lies. (D.G. 2018)
- System of fundamental F1 strings with a vertex Dp-brane, in an anisotropic gravity theory.
- Similar effect on Q-distribution, for speeding baryons in strong coupled isotropic plasma. (Athanasiou, Liu, Rajagopal 2008)

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- ✓ Observation: In strongly coupled theories many phenomena are more sensitive to the presence of the anisotropy than the source that triggers it.
- ✓ Confining Anisotropic theories with confinement /deconfinement phase transition. (1st construction in the literature)
- ✓ The phase transitions occur at lower critical Temperature as the anisotropy is increased = Inverse Anisotropic Catalysis!
- ✓ Several Universal Isotropic relations are anisotropically violated. E.g. The shear viscosity over entropy density ratio, takes values parametrically lower than $1/4\pi$, as $\sim (T/\alpha)^{2-2/z}$.



Special case: IIB Supergravity

Remark:

The ten dimensional action gives our generalized model, when the internal space is an S^5 supported by fluxes and $\sigma = 0, \gamma = 1, \Delta = 4$:

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa_{10^2}} \int d^{10}x \sqrt{-g} \left[R + 4\partial_M \phi \partial^M \phi - e^{2\phi} \left(\frac{1}{2} F_1^2 + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 5!} F_5^2 \right) \right], \ F_1 := d\chi \,.$$

where M = 0, ..., 9 and F_1 is the axion field-strength. The equations of motion for the background are:

$$\begin{split} & R + 4g^{MN} \left(\nabla_M \nabla_N \phi - \partial_M \phi \partial_N \phi \right) = 0 \,, \\ & R_{MN} + 2\nabla_M \nabla_N \phi + \frac{1}{4} g_{MN} e^{2\phi} \partial_P \chi \partial^P \chi - \frac{1}{2} e^{2\phi} \left(F_M F_N + \frac{1}{48} F_{MABCD} F_N^{ABCD} \right) = 0 \,\,. \end{split}$$

plus the Bianchi identities and self duality constraints. The axion field equation is satisfied trivially for linear axion.

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An exact	solution			

The potential and the axion-dilaton coupling

$$V(\phi) = 6e^{\sigma\phi}, \qquad Z(\phi) = e^{2\gamma\phi}.$$

A Lifshitz-like anisotropic hyperscaling violation background which may accommodate a black hole

$$ds_s^2 = \alpha^2 C_R e^{\frac{\phi(u)}{2}} u^{-\frac{2\theta}{3z}} \left(-u^2 (f(u) dt^2 + dx_i^2) + C_Z u^{\frac{2}{z}} dx_3^2 + \frac{du^2}{f(u) \alpha^2 u^2} \right) ,$$

where

$$\begin{split} f(u) &= 1 - \left(\frac{u_h}{u}\right)^{3+(1-\theta)/z} , \qquad e^{\frac{\phi(u)}{2}} = u^{\frac{\sqrt{\theta^2 + 3z(1-\theta) - 3}}{\sqrt{6z}}} , \\ C_R &= \frac{(3z-\theta)(1+3z-\theta)}{6z^2} , \qquad C_Z = \frac{z^2}{2(z-1)1+3z-\theta} , \\ z &= \frac{4\gamma^2 - 3\sigma^2 + 2}{2\gamma(2\gamma - 3\sigma)} , \qquad \theta = \frac{3\sigma}{2\gamma} . \end{split}$$

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Null Energy Condition

• The averaged radial acceleration between two null geodesics is

 $A_r = -4\pi T_{\mu\nu} N^{\mu} N^{\nu} ,$

if it is negative the null geodesics observe a non-repulsive gravity on nearby particles along them.

• This imposes the Null Energy Condition

 $T_{\mu
u}N^{\mu}N^{
u}\geq 0 \ , \quad N^{\mu}N_{\mu}=0 \ ,$

leading to the following constrains:

- For the Lifshitz-like space $z \ge 1$.
- For the Hyperscaling violation anisotropic metric in 3+1-dim spacetime and anisotropic in 1-dim reads

 $(z-1)(1- heta+3z)\geq 0\;,\ heta^2-3+3z(1- heta)\geq 0\;.$

Additional conditions from thermodynamics?

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Local Thermodynamic Stability

• The necessary and sufficient conditions for local thermodynamical stability in the canonical ensemble are

$$c_{\alpha} = T\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\right)_{\alpha} \ge 0 , \qquad \Phi' = \left(\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \alpha}\right)_{T} \ge 0$$

 c_{α} is the specific heat: increase of the temperature leads to increase of the entropy.

 Φ' is derivative of the potential: the system is stable under infinitesimal charge fluctuations.

- In the GCE these conditions should be equivalent of having no positive eigenvalues of the Hessian matrix of the entropy with respect to the thermodynamic variables. (*Gubser, Mitra 2001*)
- In the IR the positivity of the specific heat imposes

 $c_{\alpha} = 1 - \theta + 2z \ge 0$

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η/s for o	ur theories			

• Shear Viscosity over Entropy Density

$$egin{aligned} \eta_{ij,kl} &= -\lim_{\omega o 0} rac{1}{\omega} \mathrm{Im} \int dt dx e^{i\omega t} \langle T_{ij}(t,x), T_{kl}(0,0)
angle \ s &= rac{2\pi}{\kappa^2} A \;. \end{aligned}$$

The two-point function is obtained by calculating the response to turning on suitable metric perturbations in the bulk.

• The relevant part of the perturbed action is mapped to a Maxwell system with a mass term.

$$S = rac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(-rac{1}{4g_{eff}^2} F^2 - rac{1}{4} m^2(u) A^2
ight) \, ,$$

where

$$m^2(u) = Z(\phi + \frac{1}{4}\log g_{33})\alpha^2 , \quad \frac{1}{g_{eff}^2} = g_{33}^{3/2}(u) , \quad A_\mu = \frac{\delta g_{\mu 3}}{g_{33}}$$

• The shear viscosity over entropy ratio for arbitrary (z, θ) .



• The ratio depends on the temperature at $\alpha/T \gg 1$ as

$$4\pi \frac{\eta_{\parallel}}{s} = \frac{g_{11}}{g_{33}} \sim \left(\frac{T}{\tilde{\alpha}|1+3z-\theta|}\right)^{2-\frac{2}{z}}$$

• The range of the temperature power is $[0, \infty)$.

Probing the Theory: Energy Loss of Heavy Quark

 A Heavy Quark with mass M >> T undergoes a Brownian motion in the plasma. (deBoer, Hubeny, Rangamani, Shigemori, JHEP 2009; DG, Lee, Yeh, JHEP

2018)

• The momentum evolves according to the macroscopic Langevin equations

$$\dot{p}_i(t) = -\eta_D p_i(t) + \xi_i(t)$$
,

p: the momentum of the particle, η_D : the friction coefficient, ξ : the random force:

 $ig \langle \xi_{\parallel,\perp}(t) ig
angle = 0 \,, \quad ig \langle \xi_{\parallel,\perp}(t) \xi_{\parallel,\perp}(t') ig
angle = \kappa_{\parallel,\perp} \delta(t\!-\!t') \,, \quad ig \langle p_{\parallel,\perp}^2 ig
angle = 2\kappa_{\parallel,\perp} \mathcal{T}$

 $(\parallel, \perp) = ($ direction of the quark motion, transverse plane). $\kappa =$ mean squared momentum per unit of time \mathcal{T} .

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Brownian Motion of Heavy Quarks

- The response function $\chi(\omega)$ of the quark to an external force \propto two point correlator of a string fluctuations divided by the applied force.
- For any theory of the form

$$ds^2 = u^{a_0}f(u) + u^{a_i}dx_i^2 + rac{du^2}{u^{a_u}f(u)} \; ,$$

the string fluctuations along x_1 close to the boundary are

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left(\frac{g_{11}\sqrt{-g_{00}}}{\sqrt{g_{uu}}} \delta x_1' \right) - \frac{g_{11}\sqrt{g_{uu}}}{\sqrt{g_{00}}} \delta \ddot{x}_1^2 = 0$$

and can be found by the monodromy patching method

$$\delta x_{1\omega}(u) = c_1 \left(1 + i\omega c_0 g_{11}(u_h) + \frac{i\omega g_{11}(u_h)}{2\kappa\nu} u^{-2\kappa\nu} \right), \quad \nu := \frac{a_0 + 2a_1 + a_u - 2}{2(a_0 + a_u - 2)}.$$

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- The reason for the unified formula is that the solution of fluctuations is of Bessel type with order ν .
- The diffusion coefficient

$$D = T \lim_{\omega \to 0} (-i \ \omega \chi(\omega)) \sim T^{2(1-\nu)}$$
.

 Fluctuation-Dissipation theorem holds along each direction; The noise is white; Self energy and thermal mass of the particle depend on the properties and direction of the system... (D.G., Lee, Yeh 2018)

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Parts of the Theory Timeline-Related bibliography:

Non-Confining Anisotropic Theories:

(Azeyanagi, Li, Takayanagi, 2009; Mateos, Trancanelli, 2011; Jain, Kundu, Sen, Sinha, Trivedi, 2015;...) Confining Anisotropic Theories: (D.G., Gursoy, Pedraza, 2017)

Similar ideas in different context. For example: (Gaiotto, Witten 2008; Chu, Ho, 2006; Choi, Fernadez, Sugimoto 2017;...)