

# Applications of Holography to Strongly Coupled Systems

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Review talk: Parts of it based on works with:  
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D-S Lee, C-P Yeh (NDHU), ...  
and works in progress.

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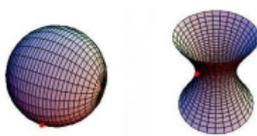
# Outline

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# Briefly on AdS/CFT

- **Gauge/Gravity duality:** A way to map and answer **quantum questions** to **gravity geometric** questions!
- The initial AdS/CFT correspondence ( $\sim 20$  years ago):  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  sYM with gauge group  $SU(N)$  on flat space  $\Leftrightarrow AdS_5 \times S^5$ , is the **harmonic oscillator** of the gauge/gravity dualities.
- Reminder  $AdS \times S^5$ :

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{u^2} \left( -dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + du^2 \right) + R^2 d\Omega_5^2$$



- It is a **Strong/Weak** duality

$$R^4 = l_s^4 N g_{YM}^2 = \lambda l_s^4, \quad l_P^2 = \frac{\pi}{2^{1/4}} g_{YM} l_s^2 = \frac{\pi}{2^{1/4} \sqrt{N}} R$$

**Small Curvature:**  $R \gg l_P$ , means no quantum corrections  $\equiv N \gg 1$ .

**No string corrections:**  $R \gg l_s$ , no string corrections  $\equiv \lambda \gg 1$ .

# On AdS/CFT

Planar (=Large  $N$ ), strongly coupled (large  $\lambda$ ) field theory, is described as a **classical gravity**(small curvature).

The initial correspondence is simple:

## QFT

Conformal,

Maximally Supersymmetric,

$SU(4)$ -R symmetry group,

No Temperature,

## The gravity dual theory

$SO(2,4)$  isometry (conformal group)

internal space:  $S^5$

$SO(6)$  symmetry

No black hole.

More **complicated=realistic** gauge/gravity dualities exist: This is the subject of this talk!

# A demonstration for the Static potential:

**Example:** The **Wilson loop**, is a physical gauge invariant object and can measure the interaction potential between the external quarks and acts as an order of confinement.

The **Wilson loop operator** is

$$W(\mathcal{C}) = \text{Tr} P e^{i \oint_{\mathcal{C}} A_{\mu} dx^{\mu}} , \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \langle W \rangle \sim e^{-T E(L)} .$$

where  $\mathcal{C}$  close curve. If

$$E(L) = \sigma L , \quad \text{Confining Theory, Area Law} .$$

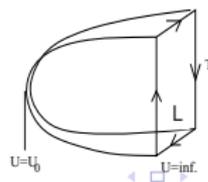
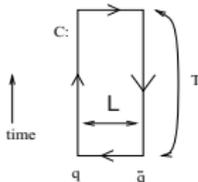
In the **gravity dual theory**

(Maldacena; Rey, Yee 1998)

$$\langle W \rangle = Z_{string}(\partial\Sigma = \mathcal{C}) = e^{-S(\mathcal{C})} \quad N \gg 1 .$$

$S(\mathcal{C})$ : on-shell extremal Nambu-Goto action for string world-sheet.

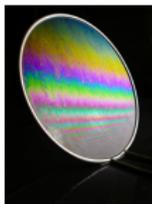
$$\langle W[\mathcal{C}] \rangle = e^{-S_{string}[\mathcal{C}]}$$



# The Static potential in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ sYM:

- We parametrize the **surface** ( $x_1 = \sigma$ ,  $t = \tau$ ) and in the interior of the space by  $u(\sigma)$ .

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{u^2} (-dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + du^2) + R^2 d\Omega_5^2$$



- To minimize its area we solve the **Euler-Lagrange differential equation** coming from the **Nambu-Goto action**.

$$S_{NG} \sim \frac{1}{u^2} \sqrt{(1 + u'^2)}, \quad \frac{u^4}{\sqrt{u'^4 + u^4}} = \text{constant}$$

- The  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  sYM is not a confining theory, **the static potential** is

$$S_{NG} \sim V_{Q\bar{Q}} \propto \frac{1}{L}$$

# Directions of Developments

- Since the discovery of the initial correspondence, there is an extensive research aiming to construct more realistic gauge/gravity dualities.

**Gauge/Gravity Dualities** with: **Less/No Supersymmetry; Broken conformal symmetry, confinement; fundamental matter(quenched or unquenched fermions);** etc.

- ✓ We study **Anisotropic** theories in Gauge/Gravity correspondence.

# Why? Attempts for Realization in 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.

# Why? More:

- **Weakly coupled vs strongly coupled** anisotropic theories.  
*(Dumitru, Strickland, Romatschke, Baier,... 2008,...)*
- Consistent top-down models. **Properties of the supergravity solutions**, that are dual to the anisotropic theories.
- Black hole solutions that are **AdS in UV flowing** to **Lifhitz-like in IR** :
  - ★ Why there is a **fixed scaling parameter  $z$**  for such solutions?  
*(Azeyanagi, Li, Takayanagi, 2009)*
  - ★ Other systems that have fixed scaling IR solution (e.g. in **Heavy quark density**). Why?  
*(Kumar 2012; Faedo, Kundu, Mateos, Tarrío 2014)*
  - ★ New flows to **Hyperscaling violation** IR backgrounds?

# Reminding Slide:

- The anisotropic **hyperscaling violation** metric

$$ds^2 = u^{-\frac{2\theta}{d}} \left( -u^{2z} (dt^2 + dy_i^2) + u^2 dx_i^2 + \frac{du^2}{u^2} \right).$$

which exhibits a **critical exponent  $z$**  and a **hyperscaling violation exponent  $\theta$** .

- The metric is not scale invariant

$$t \rightarrow \lambda^z t, \quad y \rightarrow \lambda^z y, \quad x \rightarrow \lambda x, \quad u \rightarrow \frac{u}{\lambda}, \quad ds \rightarrow \lambda^{\frac{\theta}{d}} ds.$$

# Why? Even More:

- Ⓢtriking Features! Several **Universality Relations** predicted for the isotropic theories are **violated**!
  - ★ **Shear viscosity over entropy density ratio** takes **parametrically** low values  $\frac{\eta}{s} < \frac{1}{4\pi}$ !  
(Rebhan, Steineder 2011; Jain, Samanta, Trivedy 2015; D.G., Gursoy, Pedraza, 2017;...)
  - ★ **Langevin coefficients** inequality for heavy quark motion in the **anisotropic** plasma gets inverted  $\kappa_L > \kappa_T$  .  
(Gursoy, Kiritsis, Mazzanti, Nitti 2010; D.G, Soltanpanahi, 2013a, 2013b )
  - ★ ...
  - ★ Implications to QGP **hydrodynamic simulations**.

# Brownian Motion in Strongly Coupled Theories?

- A **Heavy Quark** in a thermal environment (**Quark Gluon Plasma**):  
 $M \gg T$ ,  $p^2 \sim MT \gg T^2$ ,  $v^2 \sim \frac{T}{M} \ll 1$ .
- Typical **Momentum transfer** is of order  $Q^2 \sim T^2$  for hard collisions.
- Good approximation to model the interaction of the heavy quark with the medium as **uncorrelated kicks**.
- The momentum evolves according to the **macroscopic Langevin equations**

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

where  $p$  is the **momentum** of the particle,  $\eta_D$  is the **friction coefficient or the momentum drag coefficient** and  $\xi$  is the **random force**:

$$\langle \xi(t) \rangle = 0 , \quad \langle \xi(t) \xi(t') \rangle = \kappa \delta(t - t') ,$$

where  $\kappa$  is the **mean squared momentum per unit of time**.

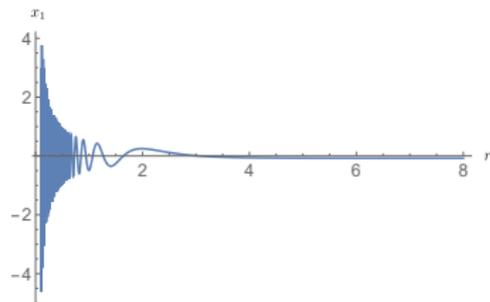
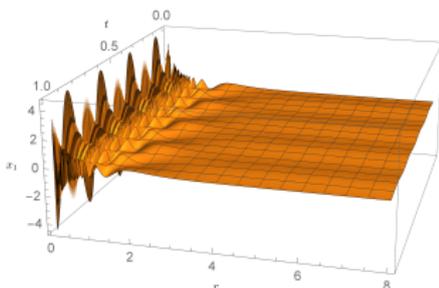
# Brownian Motion in Gauge/Gravity duality

- Let us consider a class of theories as

$$ds^2 = -u^{a_0} f(u) dx_0^2 + \frac{1}{u^{a_u} f(r)} dr^2 + \sum_{i=1}^d u^{a_i} dx_i^2 ,$$

where  $f$  is the blackening factor ( $= 1$  for theories at zero temperature,  $= (u - u_h)(\dots)$  for finite temperature theories).

- Special Case:  $a_0 = a_i = a_u = 2$  is the  $AdS_5$  metric.
- The **straight string** from the UV boundary, to the IR represents a heavy quark ( $t = \tau, u = \sigma, x_1 = 0$ ).
- Fluctuation on the straight string** ( $t = \tau, u = \sigma, x_1 = 0 + \delta x_1(\sigma, \tau)$ ) in the **holographic space** look like this



# The Analysis for zero point energy

Expanding as

$$\delta x_1(t, u) = \int_0^\infty d\omega h_\omega(u) \left( \alpha(\omega) e^{-i\omega\tau} + \alpha(\omega)^\dagger e^{i\omega\tau} \right),$$

the fluctuation equation are

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left( u^{a_1 + \frac{a_0 + a_u}{2}} h_\omega(u)' \right) + \omega^2 u^{a_1 - \frac{a_0 + a_u}{2}} h_\omega(u) = 0,$$

and has solutions of Bessel type, which after some manipulation can be written as

$$h_\omega(u) = u^{-\nu\kappa} A_\omega [J_\nu(\omega\tilde{u}) + B_\omega Y_\nu(\omega\tilde{u})],$$

where

$$\nu := \frac{a_0 + 2a_1 + a_u - 2}{2(a_0 + a_u - 2)}, \quad \tilde{u} := \frac{2r^{\frac{1}{2}(2-\alpha_0-\alpha_u)}}{a_0 + a_u - 2} = \frac{u^{-\kappa}}{\kappa}, \quad \kappa := \frac{a_0 + a_u}{2} - 1$$

and  $J_\nu(\tilde{u})$ ,  $Y_\nu(\tilde{u})$  are the Bessel functions of first and second kind.

Notice that a whole class of theories: Relativistic and Non-Relativistic can be treated under a unified study scheme! Powerful Method!

(D.G., Lee, Yeh 2018; D.G. 2018)



- The **two-point function** at the low frequency limit

$$\langle X_1(t)X_1(0) \rangle \sim \begin{cases} E^{\frac{4\kappa(1-\nu)}{a_0-\kappa}} |t|^{3-2\nu}, & \text{when } \nu \geq 1, \\ E^0 |t|^{2\nu-1}, & \text{when } \nu \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $E$  is the energy of the string.

- Fluctuation-Dissipation theorem** holds from holography for the whole class of theories!
- The **inertial mass** and the **self energy** of the particle can be read from the response function ( $\delta x \sim \chi F$ )

$$\chi(\omega) = \frac{2\pi\alpha'}{\omega} u_b^{-a_1} \frac{H_\nu(\omega \tilde{u}_b)}{H_{\nu-1}(\omega \tilde{u}_b)}, \quad m = \frac{u_b^{2\kappa(\nu-1)}}{2\kappa(\nu-1)}, \quad \gamma = \frac{1 - i \tan[(\nu - \frac{1}{2})\pi]}{((2i\kappa)^{2\nu-1} \Gamma(\nu)^2)} \pi.$$

# Brownian Motion in the Quark-Gluon Plasma

- **Black hole background** ( $u_h \sim T$ ). There is **no analytic solution** for the fluctuation of the strings. It can be found with the **monodromy patching method**

$$\delta x_{1\omega}(u) = c_1 \left( 1 + i\omega c_0 u_h^{a_1} + \frac{i\omega u_h^{a_1}}{2\kappa\nu} u^{-2\kappa\nu} \right),$$

- The diffusion coefficient

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

- Fluctuation-Dissipation theorem holds along each direction; **The noise is white**; Self energy and thermal mass of the particle can be found...  
(D.G., Lee, Yeh 2018)
- Quarks moving with a large **velocity**  $v$ ? **Langevin coefficients for generic theories** can be obtained! Are related to the observed **energy loss** of quarks in QGP.

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

# Phase transitions in Holography and Inverse Magnetic Catalysis

We introduce the Theory in One Page:

- Strongly coupled **anisotropic** theory.
- How the theory looks like and how to obtain it?
  - ✓ 4d  $SU(N)$  gauge theory in the large  $N_c$ -limit.
  - ✓ Its dynamics are affected by a **scalar operator**  $\mathcal{O} \sim \text{Tr}F^2$ .
  - ✓ Anisotropy is introduced by **another operator**  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \sim \theta(x_3)\text{Tr}F \wedge F$  with a space dependent coupling.
  - ✓ On the gravity dual side we have a "backreacting" scalar field depending on spatial directions, the **axion**; and a non-trivial **dilaton**.
- Eventually the gravity dual theory is an **Einstein-Axion-Dilaton theory** in 5 dimensions with a non-trivial potential.
  - ✓ Solutions are RG flows:  
AdS in UV  $\Rightarrow$  **Anisotropic (Hyperscaling Lifshitz-like)** in IR.
- **Formally interesting** theories. And a solid ground to study **strongly coupled phenomena** in presence of **anisotropy**.

## 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, Fernandez, Sugimoto 2017;...)*

# How is Anisotropy introduced? A Pictorial Representation:

- For the Lifshitz-like IIB Supergravity solutions

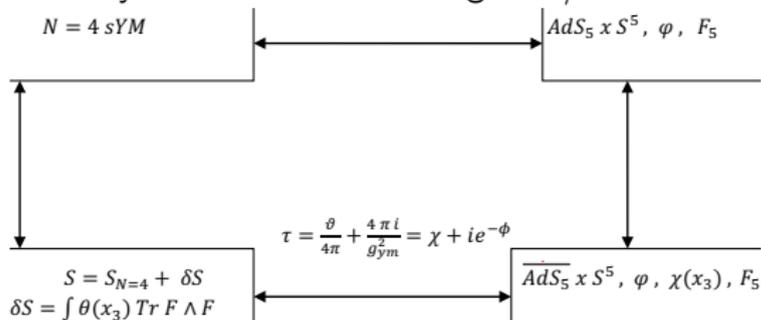
$$ds^2 = u^{2z}(dx_0^2 + dx_i^2) + u^2 dx_3^2 + \frac{du^2}{u^2} + ds_{S^5}^2.$$

Introduction of additional branes:

(Azeyanagi, Li, Takayanagi, 2009)

	$x_0$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$u$	$S^5$
D3	$\chi$	$\chi$	$\chi$	$\chi$		
D7	$\chi$	$\chi$	$\chi$			$\chi$

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



- $dC_8 \sim \star d\chi$  with the non-zero component  $C_{x_0 x_1 x_2 S^5}$ .

- Possible to compactify  $x_3$  to get dual to the pure Chern-Simons gauge theory.

# The Anisotropic Theory

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

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

The eoms read

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\nu\phi + \frac{1}{2}Z(\phi)\partial_\mu\chi\partial_\nu\chi - \frac{1}{4}g_{\mu\nu}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{4}g_{\mu\nu}Z(\phi)(\partial\chi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}V(\phi),$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}}\partial_\mu(\sqrt{-g}g^{\mu\nu}\partial_\nu\phi) = \frac{1}{2}\partial_\phi Z(\phi)(\partial\chi)^2 - V'(\phi),$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}}\partial_\mu(\sqrt{-g}g^{\mu\nu}\partial_\nu\chi) = 0.$$

Where

$$V(\phi) = 12 \cosh(\sigma\phi) + \left( \frac{m(\Delta)^2}{2} - 6\sigma^2 \right) \phi^2, \quad Z(\phi) = e^{2\gamma\phi},$$

*(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.

# 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  $\sigma = 0, \gamma = 1, \Delta = 4$ :

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

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

$$R + 4g^{MN} (\nabla_M \nabla_N \phi - \partial_M \phi \partial_N \phi) = 0,$$

$$R_{MN} + 2\nabla_M \nabla_N \phi + \frac{1}{4} g_{MN} e^{2\phi} \partial_P \chi \partial^P \chi - \frac{1}{2} e^{2\phi} \left( F_M F_N + \frac{1}{48} F_{MABCD} F_N^{ABCD} \right) = 0.$$

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

# Solutions of the Generalized Einstein-Axion-Dilaton Action

- The background solution

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{u^2} \left( -\mathcal{F}(u)\mathcal{B}(u) dt^2 + dx_1^2 + dx_2^2 + \mathcal{H}(u)dx_3^2 + \frac{du^2}{\mathcal{F}(u)} \right),$$

$$\chi = \alpha x_3, \quad \phi = \phi(u),$$

- Solutions: e.g. For  $\Delta = 4$ : (D.G., Gursoy, Pedraza, 2017)  
AdS in UV flowing to Hyperscaling Lifshitz-like violation geometries in IR :

$$ds^2 = u^{-\frac{2\theta}{3}} \left( -u^{2z} (f(u) dt^2 + dx_{1,2}^2) + \tilde{\alpha} u^2 dx_3^2 + \frac{du^2}{f(u)u^2} \right),$$

# Axion-Dilaton Coupling and Potential, rule the Scaling Coefficients

- The values of  $(\theta, z)$  dependence on  $(\gamma, \sigma)$

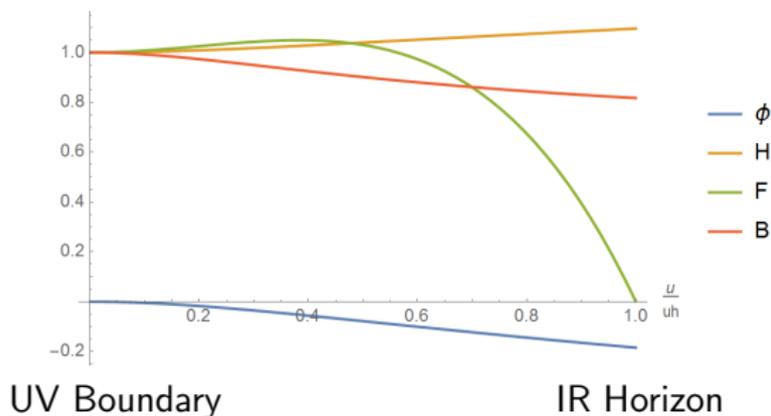
$$z = \frac{4\gamma^2 - 3\sigma^2 + 2}{2\gamma(2\gamma - 3\sigma)}, \quad \theta = \frac{3\sigma}{2\gamma}.$$

- **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  $\theta$  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.

# Solution : The Full Flow

- Fixing  $(\gamma, \sigma)$  and  $\alpha$  and  $u_h$  we get the **metric flow** from boundary to horizon:

$$ds^2 = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\phi(u)}}{u^2} \left( -\mathcal{F}\mathcal{B} dt^2 + dx_1^2 + dx_2^2 + \mathcal{H}dx_3^2 + \frac{du^2}{\mathcal{F}} \right),$$



# An exact solution

The potential and the axion-dilaton coupling

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

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

$$ds_5^2 = \alpha^2 C_R e^{\frac{\phi(u)}{2}} u^{-\frac{2\theta}{3z}} \left( -u^2 (f(u) dt^2 + dx_i^2) + C_Z u^{\frac{z}{2}} dx_3^2 + \frac{du^2}{f(u)\alpha^2 u^2} \right),$$

where

$$f(u) = 1 - \left( \frac{u_h}{u} \right)^{3+(1-\theta)/z}, \quad e^{\frac{\phi(u)}{2}} = u^{\frac{\sqrt{\theta^2 + 3z(1-\theta)} - 3}{\sqrt{6z}}},$$

$$C_R = \frac{(3z - \theta)(1 + 3z - \theta)}{6z^2}, \quad C_Z = \frac{z^2}{2(z - 1)1 + 3z - \theta},$$

$$z = \frac{4\gamma^2 - 3\sigma^2 + 2}{2\gamma(2\gamma - 3\sigma)}, \quad \theta = \frac{3\sigma}{2\gamma}.$$

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



✓ Energy Conditions Analysis

AND

✓ Local Thermodynamical Stability Analysis



YES!

# 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**

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

leading to the following constrains:

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

$$(z - 1)(1 - \theta + 3z) \geq 0 ,$$

$$\theta^2 - 3 + 3z(1 - \theta) \geq 0 .$$

**Additional** conditions from **thermodynamics?**

# Local Thermodynamic Stability

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

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

$c_\alpha$  is the **specific heat**: increase of the temperature leads to increase of the entropy.

$\Phi'$  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

$$c_\alpha = 1 - \theta + 2z \geq 0$$

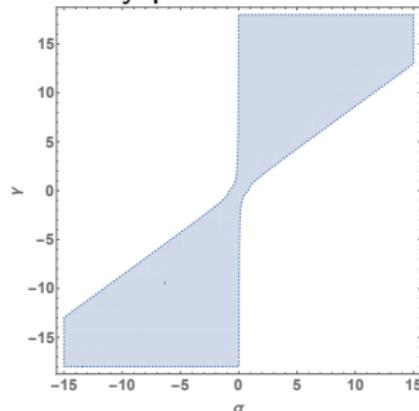
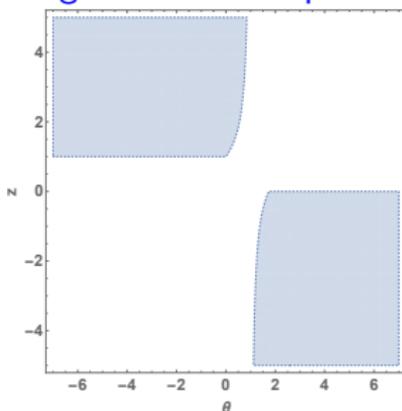
Three conditions that constrain  $(z, \theta)$  and as a result  $(\gamma, \sigma)$ .

$$(z - 1)(1 - \theta + 3z) \geq 0, \quad z = \frac{2 + 4\gamma^2 - 3\sigma^2}{2\gamma(2\gamma - 3\sigma)},$$

$$\theta^2 - 3 + 3z(1 - \theta) \geq 0, \quad \theta = \frac{3\sigma}{2\gamma},$$

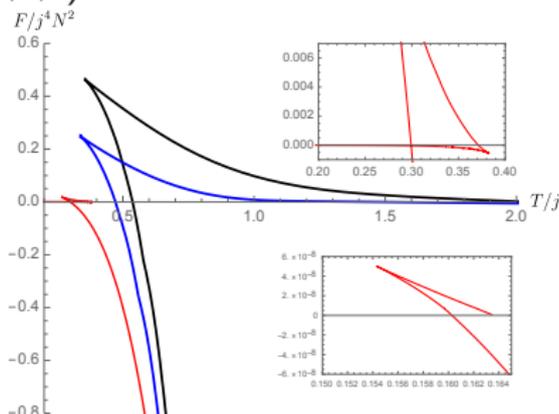
$$1 - \theta + 2z \geq 0.$$

The blue region is the acceptable for the theory parameters.



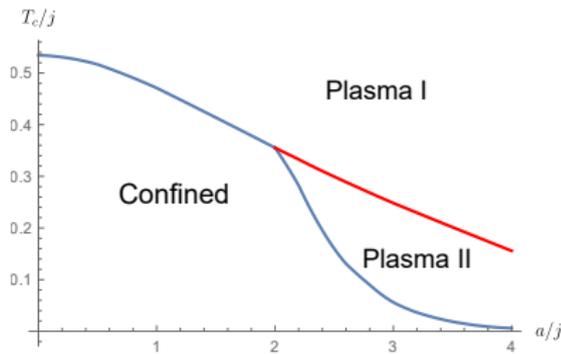
# Confinement/Deconfinement Phase transitions

- Competition for **dominance** between **different gravitational backgrounds**.
- At least **three** different solutions compete. The one that **wins** have the lowest **energy**!
- 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**.

- The **Critical Temperature** of the theories vs the **anisotropy** gives:



- The  $T_c$  is **reduced** in presence of anisotropies of the theory.

# The Proposal

- The  $T_c(\alpha)$  decrease with  $\alpha$ , resembling the phenomenon of **inverse magnetic catalysis** where the **confinement-deconfinement** temperature decreases with the magnetic field  $B$  (where an anisotropy is introduced as in our plasma).
- **No charged fermionic degrees** of freedom in our case; our plasma is neutral.
- Our findings suggest that the **anisotropy by itself** could instead be the cause of lower  $T_c$  in presence of **anisotropies**.

# $\eta/s$ for our theories

- Shear Viscosity over Entropy Density

$$\eta_{ij,kl} = - \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\omega} \text{Im} \int dt dx e^{i\omega t} \langle T_{ij}(t, x), T_{kl}(0, 0) \rangle$$

$$s = \frac{2\pi}{\kappa^2} A .$$

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

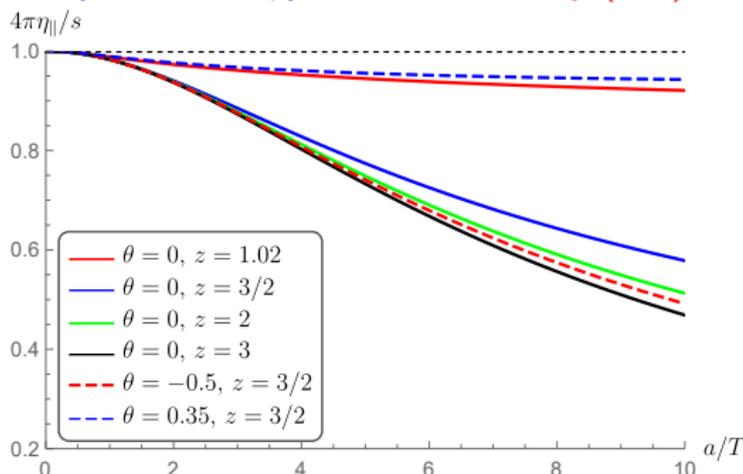
- The relevant part of the perturbed action is mapped to a **Maxwell system with a mass term**.

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

where

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

- The shear viscosity over entropy ratio for arbitrary  $(z, \theta)$ .



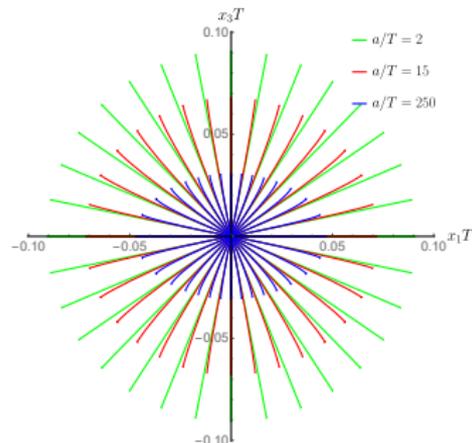
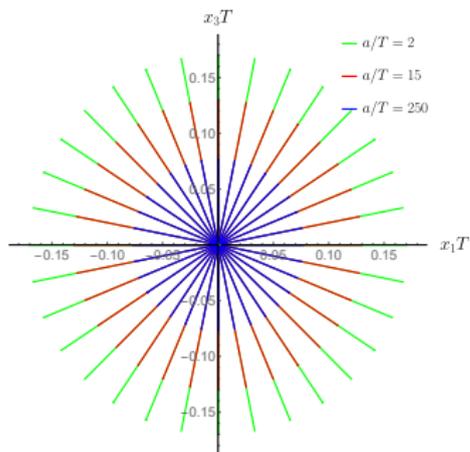
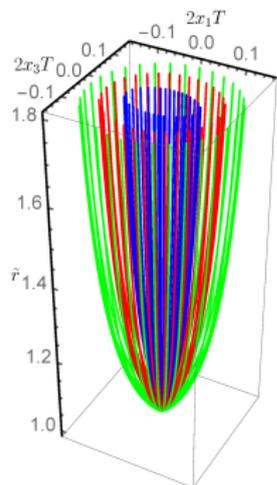
- The ratio depends on the temperature at  $a/T \gg 1$  as

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

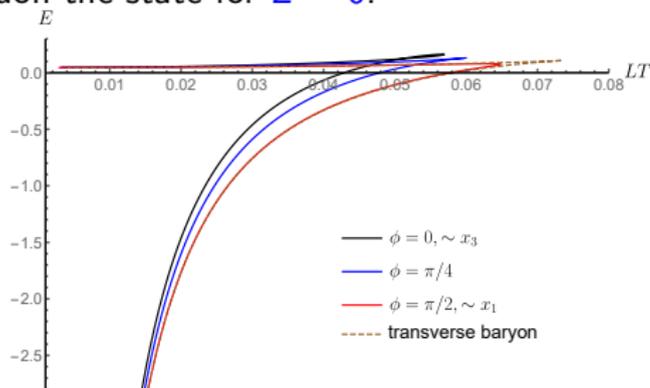
- The range of the temperature power is  $[0, \infty)$ .

# Baryons in Theories with External Fields

- The quark distributions for baryons in theories with magnetic fields:
- Three plots:
  - The **baryon** in the **holographic space**, where the **strings** start from the boundary, go to the deep IR where they meet with a **heavy Dp-brane!**
  - Projection of the strings on the  $(x_1, x_3)$  plane. The endpoints are where the quarks are. **Baryon on the transverse plane to the field** and **Baryon on the plane that the field lies**.



- The baryon **dissociates at stages**, and pair of quarks leaving the state depending on the proximity angle to the **anisotropic direction**.
- The **Energy** versus **the radius of the baryon** along each direction. Pairs abandon the state for  $E = 0$ .



(D.G. 2018)

# Observation

- ✓ In strongly coupled theories most of the observables are sensitive to the presence of the anisotropy and not the source that triggers it.
- ✓ Examples for heavy quarks are: Langevin coefficients, Static potential, Jet quenching.
- ✓ Other examples: Viscosity coefficients, Inverse magnetic Catalysis.

# Conclusions

- ✓ We have obtained and studied a) **Confining Anisotropic** theories. b) **Hyperscaling Lifshitz-like Anisotropic** black holes with **arbitrary scalings**. (1st construction in the literature)
- ✓ The theories are **physical and stable** for a wide range of **parameters** of the theory.
- ✓ The **Confinement/Deconfinement** phase transitions occur at **lower** critical **Temperature** as the anisotropy is **increased!**
- ✓ The **anisotropy by itself** could instead be the cause of the **inverse magnetic catalysis**.
  - The **shear viscosity over entropy density** ratio, takes values parametrically **lower** than  $1/4\pi$ , and depends on the **Temperature** as  $(T/\alpha)^{2-2/z}$ .
  - The **diffusion (butterfly velocity) of chaos** occurs **faster** than isotropic systems.
  - **Baryons** dissociate **at stages** in theories with strong fields. (D.G. 2018)
  - **Fluctuation and dissipation** of **heavy quarks** belongs to a unified study scheme.

**Thank you!**