

The Role of Symmetry in the Universal Relations of Holography

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Motivation I.

- Strongly **anisotropic** systems have significantly **richer** structure compared to isotropic ones.

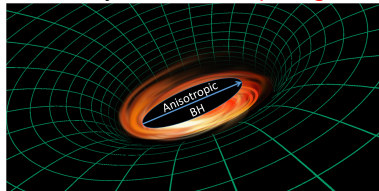
→ Transport coefficients, Diffusion, Brownian Heavy Quark Motion...

→ **Characteristic Example:** 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;...)

→ **Universalities** are very **rare!** **Not surprising!**



(**Anisotropy**, **Temperature**)

→ **Anisotropic Universalities?**

Motivation II.

- Existence of **strongly coupled anisotropic systems**.
 - Quark - Gluon Plasma .
 - Anisotropic Materials: Multilayer nanostructures...
eg: (Pardo, Pickett 2009; Kobayashi, Suzumura, Piechon, Montambaux 2011; Fang, Fu 2015...)
- Strong **(Magnetic) Fields** in strongly coupled theories.
 - New interesting phenomena in presence on such fields, i.e. **inverse magnetic catalysis**.
eg: (Bali, Bruckmann, Endrodi, Fodor, Katz, Krieg et al. 2011)

Reminding-Example Slide: A Fixed Anisotropic Point

- The anisotropic **hyperscaling violation** metric in IR:

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

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

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

- Thermodynamically** it behaves as receiving contributions from a theory in $k - \theta$ dimensions with scaling z and from a $d - k$ dimensions conformal theory.

$$S \sim T^{\frac{k-\theta}{z} + d - k}, \quad \left(S_{hysca, iso} \sim T^{\frac{d-\theta}{z}}, \quad S_{Lif, iso} \sim T^{\frac{d}{z}} \right)$$

- Effective Space dimensionality** for the dual theory!

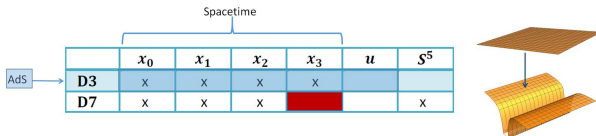
How is Anisotropy introduced? A Pictorial Representation:

- For the Lifshitz-like IIB Supergravity solutions

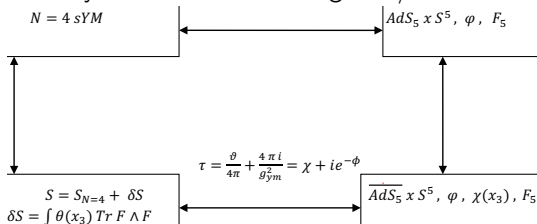
$$ds^2 = u^{2z}(dx_0^2 + dx_i^2) + u^2 dx_3^2 + \frac{du^2}{u^2} + ds_{S^5}^2.$$

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 $C_{x_0 x_1 x_2 S^5}$.

A Theory with Phase Transitions in One Page:

- How the Field Theory looks like?
 - ✓ 4d $SU(N)$ Strongly coupled anisotropic gauge theory.
 - ✓ Its dynamics are affected by a scalar operator $\mathcal{O}_\Delta$.
 - ✓ Anisotropy is introduced by another operator $\tilde{\mathcal{O}} \sim \theta(x_3) \text{Tr} F \wedge F$ 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 $\Rightarrow$ 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)

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:

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

- For $\sigma = 0, \gamma = 1, m(\Delta) = 0$ the action and the solution of eoms, are **reduced of IIB supergravity**.

(Mateos, Trancanelli, 2011)

- $V(\phi)$: **Asymptotically AdS** for small dilaton in the UV.

((Gubser, Nellore), Pufu, Rocha 2008a,b;Gursoy, Kiritsis, Nitti, 2007;...)

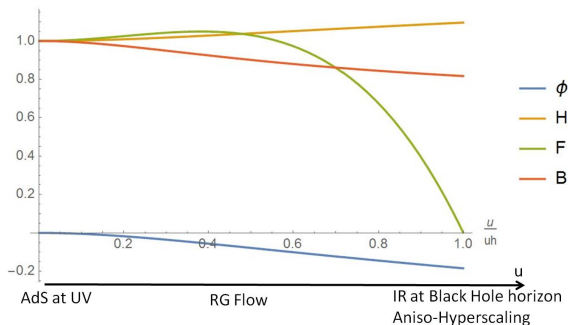
- **Anisotropy**: $\frac{\partial\chi}{\partial x_3} = \alpha$.

α : Uniform **D7-brane charge density** per unit length $\sim$ **strength** of Anisotropy.

A Solution : The RG Flow

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

$$\chi = \alpha x_3, \quad \phi = \phi(u), \quad \mathcal{F}(u_h) = 0.$$



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

Are the theories **physical** and **stable**?



✓ **Energy Conditions Analysis:** $T_{\mu\nu} N^\mu N^\nu \geq 0$, $N^\mu N_\mu = 0$.

$$R_1^1 - R_0^0 \geq 0 , \quad R_3^3 - R_0^0 \geq 0 , \quad R_u^u - R_0^0 \geq 0 .$$

AND

✓ **Local Thermodynamical Stability Analysis**



YES!

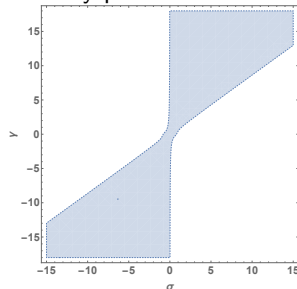
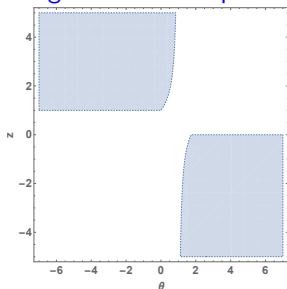
Three conditions that constrain (z, θ) and as a result (γ, σ) .

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

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

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

The blue region is the acceptable for the theory parameters.



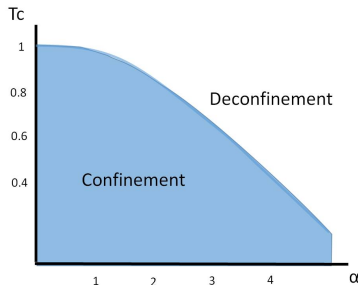
Phase Diagram

Properties of Heavy Quark Observables depend strongly on the Anisotropy.

(D.G. ; Chernicoff, Fernandez, Mateos, Trancanelli; Rebhan, Steineder 2012...)

Confinement/Deconfinement Phase Transitions?

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



- Anisotropic strongly coupled systems have **lower** critical temperature.
- New Universal phenomenon: **Inverse Anisotropic Catalysis**.

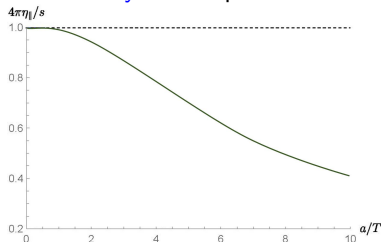
(DG, Gursoy, Pedraza 2018; related Aref'eva, Rannu 2018)

η/s in Theories with Broken Symmetry

Consider a finite T theory in the **deconfined phase**:

$$ds^2 = g_{tt}(u)dt^2 + g_{11}(u)(dx_1^2 + dx_2^2) + g_{33}(u)dx_3^2 + g_{uu}(u)du^2$$

- The **anisotropic "shear viscosity"** takes parametrical low values:



- The Ratio:

$$4\pi \frac{\eta_{||}}{s} = \frac{g_{11}}{g_{33}} \Big|_{u=u_h} \sim \left(\frac{T}{\alpha} \right)^p, \quad p = 2 - \frac{2}{z} \sim [0, \infty), \quad \alpha \gg T.$$

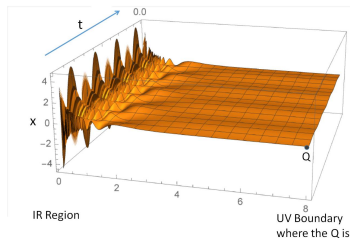
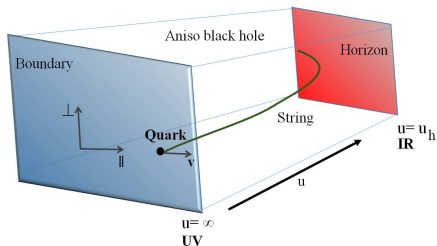
(Jain, Samanta Trivedy 2015; D.G., Gursoy, Pedraza, 2017)

- New Universalities?**

$$4\pi \frac{\eta_{||}}{s} \frac{\sigma_{\perp}}{\sigma_{||}} \geq 1$$

(Rebhan,Steineder 2011;Inkof, Gouteraux, Kiselev, Kuppers, Link, Narozhny, Schmalian 2018, 2019)

Langevin Dynamics and Brownian Motion



$$\frac{\kappa_{\parallel}}{\kappa_{\perp}} = \frac{(g_{00}g_{\parallel\parallel})'}{g_{\perp\perp}g_{\parallel\parallel}\left(\frac{g_{00}}{g_{\parallel\parallel}}\right)'} \bigg|_{u=u_{wh}}, \quad \langle p_{\parallel,\perp}^2 \rangle \sim \kappa_{\parallel,\perp} \mathcal{T}$$

A Universal Inequality for Isotropic Theory:

$\kappa_{\parallel} \geq \kappa_{\perp}$ for **any isotropic** strongly coupled plasma!

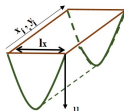
Can be inverted in the **anisotropic theories**: $\kappa_{\parallel} \geq < \kappa_{\perp}$.

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

Anisotropic Monotonic Functions (c-function candidates)

- A proposed **c-function** wrt to entanglement entropy S
 ((aniso) Chu, D.G., 2019; (nrcft) Cremonini, Dong 2014; Myers, Singh 2012;
 (iso 2d+) Ryu, Takayanagi 2006; (2d) Casini, Huerta 2006)

$$c_x := \beta_x \frac{l_x^{d_x-1}}{H_x^{d_1-1} H_y^{d_2}} \frac{\partial S_x}{\partial \ln l_x}, \quad d_x := d_1 + d_2 \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$



H is the infrared regulator, $d_1(x_i)$, $d_2(y_i)$ are the spatial dimensions and n_1 , n_2 are defined at the fixed point:

$$[t] = L^{n_t}, \quad [x_i] = L^{n_1}, \quad [y_j] = L^{n_2}.$$

- A relativistic "c-theorem" is **guaranteed** as long as the **NEC**:
 $T_u^u - T_0^0 \geq 0$ is satisfied ($u \rightarrow \infty \sim \text{UV}$):

$$\frac{dc}{du} \propto \int_0^l dx A'^{-2} (T_u^u - T_0^0) \geq 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad c_{UV} \geq c_{IR}$$

How about the Anisotropic Theories?

- Not a one-to-one correspondence between NEC and *c-function monotonicity*, but not surprising!

(Chu, D.G. 2019; Aref'eva, Patrushev, Slepov ; Hoyos, Jokela, Penín, Ramallo 2020)

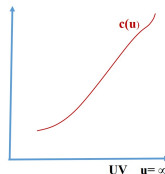
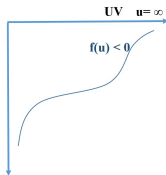
- The NEC can be written as

$$NEC := f'_i(u) > 0$$

where $f_i(u) := F_i[g_{jj}(u)]$ are functionals of metric elements.

- If the metric boundary satisfies: e.g. $f_i|_{UV, u=\infty} \leq 0$ it guarantees the right monotonicity for only one of the *c-functions* along the RG flow

$$\frac{dc_x}{du} \sim - \int f_i(u) \quad \Rightarrow \quad c_{UV} \geq c_{IR}$$



Conclusions

- ✓ **Observation:** In strongly coupled theories many phenomena are more sensitive to **the presence of the anisotropy** than **the source that triggers it**.
- ✓ Several **Universal Isotropic** relations are **anisotropically violated**.
Look for **new** Universalities!
- ✓ The phase transitions occur at **lower** critical **Temperature** as the anisotropy is **increased** = **Inverse Anisotropic Catalysis!**
- ✓ **Holographic monotonic functions** and conditions of monotonicity for (anisotropic) RG flows.
 - **c-functions** as probes of **phase transitions?** (Baggioli, DG 2020)
 - Are there any **other observables** that form functions, such that to have **monotonic behavior** along the (anisotropic) RG flow?
(Chu, Derendinger, DG in progress)

