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Thermodynamics of rotating fermions

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Introduction

Global thermodynamic equilibrium

- ▶ The kinetic theory description of relativistic gases requires that the one-particle distribution function $f_{\mathbf{k}}$ satisfies the Boltzmann equation:

$$k^\mu \partial_\mu f_{\mathbf{k}} = C[f]. \quad (1)$$

- ▶ In local equilibrium, $C[f] = 0$ and the fluid is described by

$$f_{\mathbf{k};\varsigma}^{(\text{eq})} = [e^{\beta(E_{\mathbf{k}} - \varsigma\mu)} + a]^{-1}, \quad (2)$$

where $a = 0, 1$ and -1 for classical, Fermi-Dirac or Bose-Einstein statistics.

- ▶ In global equilibrium, $f_{\mathbf{k};\varsigma}^{(\text{eq})}$ satisfies the Boltzmann equation, thus

$$\partial_\mu \beta_\nu + \partial_\nu \beta_\mu = 0, \quad \partial_\mu (\mu/T) = 0, \quad (3)$$

where $\beta^\mu = \beta u^\mu$ is the temperature four-vector.

Rigid rotation

- ▶ States under rigid rotation are described by the following Killing vector:

$$\beta^\mu \partial_\mu = \beta_0 (\partial_t + \Omega \partial_\varphi). \quad (4)$$

- ▶ u^μ has unit 4-norm and is parallel to β^μ :

$$u^\mu \partial_\mu = \frac{\beta^\mu \partial_\mu}{\sqrt{\beta_\nu \beta^\nu}} = \Gamma (\partial_t + \Omega_0 \partial_\varphi), \quad \Gamma = (1 - \rho^2 \Omega^2)^{-1/2}, \quad (5)$$

with $\Gamma \equiv$ the Lorentz factor of a RRO at distance ρ from the r.a.

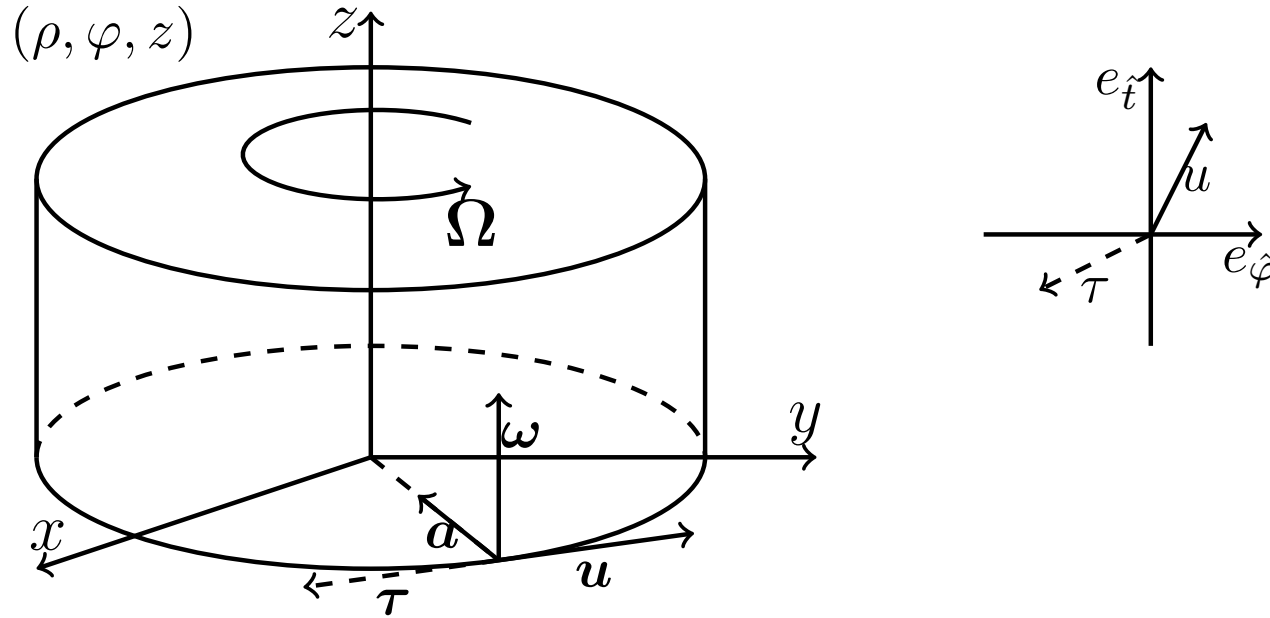
- ▶ The local temperature T represents the inverse norm of β^μ :

$$T = 1 / \sqrt{\beta_\mu \beta^\mu} = \Gamma T_0, \quad (6)$$

with $T_0 \equiv$ the temperature on the r.a.

- ▶ In global equilibrium, $\mu/T = \text{const.} \Rightarrow \mu = \Gamma \mu_0$.
- ▶ The state diverges at the light cylinder, where a co-rotating fluid element moves at the speed of light, $\rho \Omega = 1$.

Kinematic frame for rigid rotation



A “kinematic” orthogonal tetrad is given by:

[Becattini, Grossi, PRD 2015]

Velocity : $u^\mu \partial_\mu = \Gamma(\partial_t + \Omega_0 \partial_\varphi),$

Acceleration : $a^\mu = u^\nu \partial_\nu u^\mu = -\rho \Omega^2 \Gamma^2 \delta_\rho^\mu,$

Vorticity : $\omega^\mu = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} u_\nu \partial_\alpha u_\beta = \Gamma^2 \Omega \delta_z^\mu,$

Fourth vector:¹ $\tau^\mu \partial_\mu = \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} u_\nu a_\alpha \omega_\beta \partial_\mu = -\Omega^3 \Gamma^5 (\rho^2 \Omega \partial_t + \partial_\varphi),$

$$\Gamma = (1 - \rho^2 \Omega_0^2)^{-1/2},$$

$$a^2 = -\mathbf{a}^2 = -\Omega_0^2 \Gamma^2 (\Gamma^2 - 1),$$

$$\omega^2 = -\boldsymbol{\omega}^2 = -\Omega_0^2 \Gamma^4,$$

$$\tau^2 = -\boldsymbol{\tau}^2 = -\Omega_0^4 \Gamma^6 (\Gamma^2 - 1).$$

The vorticity tensor is then

$$\omega_{\alpha\beta} = a_\alpha u_\beta - a_\beta u_\alpha - \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} u^\mu \omega^\nu = \Omega_0 \Gamma (g_{\alpha x} g_{\beta y} - g_{\alpha y} g_{\beta x}). \quad (7)$$

¹Aka *another vector*.

Tolman-Ehrenfest expectation

- ▶ The “classical” (cl) Tolman-Ehrenfest law says that in global equilibrium, the charge current and energy-momentum tensor are given by the perfect fluid form,

$$J_{\text{cl}}^{\mu} = Q_{\text{cl}} u^{\mu}, \quad T_{\text{cl}}^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_{\text{cl}} u^{\mu} u^{\nu} - P_{\text{cl}} \Delta^{\mu\nu}, \quad [\Delta^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} - u^{\mu} u^{\nu}] \quad (8)$$

where $Q_{\text{cl}} = u_{\mu} J^{\mu}$, $P_{\text{cl}} = -\frac{1}{3} \Delta_{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu}$ and $\epsilon_{\text{cl}} = u_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} u_{\nu}$.

- ▶ For massless fermions, the pressure reads

$$P_{\text{cl}} = \frac{7\pi^2 T^4}{180} + \frac{\mu^2 T^2}{6} + \frac{\mu^4}{12\pi^2}. \quad (9)$$

- ▶ The pressure can be used to derive the charge and entropy densities:

$$Q_{\text{cl}} = \frac{\partial P_{\text{cl}}}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\mu T^2}{3} + \frac{\mu^3}{3\pi^2}, \quad s_{\text{cl}} = \frac{\partial P_{\text{cl}}}{\partial T} = \frac{7\pi^2 T^3}{45} + \frac{\mu^2 T}{3}. \quad (10)$$

- ▶ The energy density ϵ_{cl} satisfies the Euler relation,

$$\epsilon_{\text{cl}} = T s_{\text{cl}} - P_{\text{cl}} + \mu Q_{\text{cl}} = 3P_{\text{cl}}. \quad (11)$$

- ▶ Goal: Derive similar (local) relations for the quantum case!

Rigidly rotating grand canonical ensemble

- ▶ The rigidly rotating state is characterized by

[Becattini PRL 108 (2012) 244502]

$$\hat{\rho} = e^{-\beta_0(\hat{H} - \mu_0 \hat{Q} - \boldsymbol{\Omega}_0 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{J}})}, \quad (12)$$

- ▶ The Hamiltonian, charge and angular momentum operators given by

$$\hat{H} = \int d^3x \hat{\Theta}^{tt}, \quad \hat{Q} = \int d^3x \hat{J}^t, \quad \hat{J}^{\mu\nu} = \int d^3x \hat{M}^{t,\mu\nu}. \quad (13)$$

- ▶ The charge current $\hat{J}^\mu$, canonical energy-momentum tensor, $\hat{\Theta}^{\mu\nu}$ and canonical angular momentum tensor $\hat{M}_C^{\lambda,\mu\nu}$ are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{J}_V^\mu &= \hat{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \hat{\Psi}, \quad \hat{J}_A^\mu = \hat{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \hat{\Psi}, \quad \hat{\Theta}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} \hat{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{\partial}^\nu \hat{\Psi}, \\ \hat{M}_C^{\lambda,\mu\nu} &= \hat{L}_C^{\lambda,\mu\nu} + \hat{S}_C^{\lambda,\mu\nu}, \quad \hat{L}_C^{\lambda,\mu\nu} = x^\mu \hat{\Theta}^{\lambda\nu} - x^\nu \hat{\Theta}^{\lambda\mu}, \\ \hat{S}_C^{\lambda,\mu\nu} &= \frac{i}{8} \hat{\Psi} \{ \gamma^\lambda, [\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu] \} \hat{\Psi} = -\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\lambda\mu\nu\alpha} \hat{J}_{A;\alpha}. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Mode decomposition

- ▶ To facilitate the computation of $\langle \hat{A} \rangle = Z^{-1} \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \hat{A})$, with $Z = \text{tr}(\hat{\rho}) \equiv$ partition function, it is convenient to employ

$$\hat{\Psi}(x) = \sum_j [\theta(\sigma_j) U_j(x) \hat{a}_j + \theta(-\sigma_j) V_j(x) \hat{b}_j^\dagger], \quad (15)$$

with $U_j \equiv$ particle modes and $V_j(x) = i\gamma^2 U_j^*(x) \equiv$ antiparticle modes.

- ▶ The label $j = \{E_j, k_j, m_j, \lambda_j, \sigma_j\}$ signals that

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_j = 1 : \quad & (H, P^z, J^z, h) U_j = (E_j, k_j, m_j, \lambda_j) U_j, \\ \sigma_j = -1 : \quad & (H, P^z, J^z, h) V_j = (-E_j, -k_j, -m_j, \lambda_j) V_j, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

with $H = i\partial_t$, $P^z = -i\partial_z$, $M^z = -i\partial_\varphi + S^z$, $S^z = \frac{i}{2} \gamma^x \gamma^y$ and $h = \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{J}/p$.

- ▶ With the above decomposition of $\hat{\Psi}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} : \hat{H} : &:= \sum_j E_j (\hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{a}_j + \hat{b}_j^\dagger \hat{b}_j), \quad : \hat{Q} : := \sum_j (\hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{a}_j - \hat{b}_j^\dagger \hat{b}_j), \\ : \hat{M}^z : &:= \sum_j m_j (\hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{a}_j + \hat{b}_j^\dagger \hat{b}_j). \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Thermal expectation values

- In the cylindrical basis, $\hat{H}$, $\hat{Q}$ and $\hat{J}^z$ are diagonal, i.e.

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{a}_j^\dagger] = E_j \hat{a}_j^\dagger, \quad [\hat{Q}, \hat{a}_j^\dagger] = \hat{a}_j^\dagger, \quad [\hat{J}^z, \hat{a}_j^\dagger] = m_j \hat{a}_j^\dagger. \quad (18)$$

- Using $e^{\hat{A}} \hat{B} e^{-\hat{A}} = \hat{B} + [\hat{A}, \hat{B}] + \frac{1}{2!} [\hat{A}, [\hat{A}, \hat{B}]] + \dots$, it can be shown that

$$\hat{\rho} \hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{\rho}^{-1} = e^{-\beta_0(E_j - \Omega_0 m_j - \mu_0)} \hat{a}_j^\dagger, \quad \hat{\rho} \hat{b}_j^\dagger \hat{\rho}^{-1} = e^{-\beta_0(E_j - \Omega_0 m_j + \mu_0)} \hat{b}_j^\dagger. \quad (19)$$

- All required expectation values can be expressed w.r.t.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{a}_{j'} \rangle &= Z^{-1} \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{\rho}^{-1} \hat{\rho} \hat{a}_{j'}) \\ &= e^{-\beta_0(E_j - \Omega_0 m_j - \mu_0)} Z^{-1} \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \hat{a}_{j'} \hat{a}_j^\dagger) \\ &= e^{-\beta_0(E_j - \Omega_0 m_j - \mu_0)} [\delta(j, j') - \langle \hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{a}_{j'} \rangle] \\ &= \delta(j, j') f_j |_{\sigma_j=+1}, \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

with

$$f_j = \frac{1}{e^{\beta_0(E_j - \Omega_0 m_j - \sigma_j \mu_0)} + 1}. \quad (21)$$

Thermal expectation values

- ▶ Since the operators $\hat{J}_V^\mu$, $\hat{J}_A^\mu$ and $\hat{\Theta}^{\mu\nu}$ are quadratic in the field operator $\hat{\Psi}$, it is easy to obtain

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \sum_j f_j \mathcal{A}_j, \quad \sum_j = \sum_{\sigma_j=\pm 1}^{\text{(anti/particles)}} \sum_{\lambda_j=\pm \frac{1}{2}}^{\text{(helicity)}} \sum_{m_j}^{\text{(ang.mom.)}} \int_M^\infty dE_j E_j \int_{-p_j}^{p_j} dk_j, \quad (22)$$

with the sesquilinear form $\mathcal{A}_j$ associated to the operator $\hat{A}$ computed via the cylindrical modes:

$$U_j|_{\sigma_j=1} = \frac{e^{-iE_j t + ik_j z}}{4\pi} \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{E}_j^+ \\ 2\lambda_j \mathfrak{E}_j^- \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} \mathfrak{p}_j^+ e^{i(m_j - \frac{1}{2})\varphi} J_{m_j - \frac{1}{2}}(q_j \rho) \\ 2i\lambda_j \mathfrak{p}_j^- e^{i(m_j + \frac{1}{2})\varphi} J_{m_j + \frac{1}{2}}(q_j \rho) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (23)$$

where $\mathfrak{E}_j^\pm = \sqrt{1 \pm \sigma_j M/E_j}$ and $\mathfrak{p}_j^\pm = \sqrt{1 \pm 2\lambda_j k_j/p_j}$.

- ▶ Since $V_j = i\gamma^2 U_j$, the antiparticle version of the sesquilinear forms can be trivially obtained:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}_{V;j}^\mu|_{\sigma_j=-1} &= -\mathcal{J}_{V;j}^\mu|_{\sigma_j=1}, & \mathcal{J}_{A;j}^\mu|_{\sigma_j=-1} &= \mathcal{J}_{A;j}^\mu|_{\sigma_j=1}, \\ \Theta_j^{\mu\nu}|_{\sigma_j=-1} &= \Theta_j^{\mu\nu}|_{\sigma_j=1}. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Thermal expectation values

► For the charge currents, we find

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{J}_{V;j}^t &= \sigma_j \left(J_j^+ + \frac{2\lambda_j k_j}{p_j} J_j^- \right), & \mathcal{J}_{V;j}^\varphi &= \frac{\sigma_j q_j}{\rho E_j} J_j^\times, & \mathcal{J}_{V;j}^z &= \sigma_j \left(\frac{k_j}{E_j} J_j^+ + \frac{2\lambda_j p_j}{E_j} J_j^- \right), \\ \mathcal{J}_{A;j}^t &= \frac{2\lambda_j p_j}{E_j} J_j^+ + \frac{k_j}{E_j} J_j^-, & \mathcal{J}_{A;j}^\varphi &= \frac{2\lambda_j q_j}{p_j} J_j^\times, & \mathcal{J}_{A;j}^z &= J_j^- + \frac{2\lambda_j k_j}{p_j} J_j^+, \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

where

$$J_j^\pm = J_{m_j - \frac{1}{2}}^2(q_j \rho) \pm J_{m_j + \frac{1}{2}}^2(q_j \rho), \quad J_j^\times = 2J_{m_j - \frac{1}{2}}(q_j \rho)J_{m_j + \frac{1}{2}}(q_j \rho). \quad (26)$$

► For the energy-momentum tensor, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta_j^{tt} &= E_j \left(J_j^+ + \frac{2\lambda_j k_j}{p_j} J_j^- \right), & \Theta_j^{\varphi t} &= \frac{q_j}{\rho} J_j^\times, & \Theta_j^{zt} &= k_j J_j^+ + 2\lambda_j p_j J_j^-, \\ \Theta_j^{tz} &= k_j \left(J_j^+ + \frac{2\lambda_j k_j}{p_j} J_j^- \right), & \Theta_j^{\varphi z} &= \frac{q_j k_j}{\rho E_j} J_j^\times, & \Theta_j^{zz} &= \frac{k_j^2}{E_j} J_j^+ + \frac{2\lambda_j p_j k_j}{E_j} J_j^-, \\ \Theta_j^{\rho\rho} &= \frac{q_j^2}{E_j} J_j^+ - \frac{q_j m_j}{\rho E_j} J_j^\times, & \Theta_j^{\varphi\varphi} &= \frac{m_j q_j}{\rho^3 E_j} J_j^\times, \\ \rho^2 \Theta^{t\varphi} &= m_j \left(J_j^+ + \frac{2\lambda_j k_j}{p_j} J_j^- \right) - \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{J}_{A;j}^z, \\ \rho^2 \Theta^{z\varphi} &= m_j \left(\frac{k_j}{E_j} J_j^+ + \frac{2\lambda_j p_j}{E_j} J_j^- \right) - \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{J}_{A;j}^t. \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

► Noteworthy relations:

$$\frac{\sigma_j}{E_j} \Theta_j^{\mu t} = \mathcal{J}_{V;j}^\mu, \quad \frac{m_j}{E_j} \Theta_j^{tt} = \rho^2 \Theta_j^{t\varphi} + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{J}_{A;j}^z. \quad (28)$$

Grand canonical ensemble

Thermodynamics of static systems

- In the case of a static system ($\Omega_0 = 0$), we have

$$\hat{\rho} = e^{-\beta_0(\hat{H} - \mu_0 \hat{Q})}, \quad (29)$$

where the operators $\hat{H}$ and $\hat{Q}$ are obtained via Noether's theorem, by $\mathbb{R}^3$ integration:

$$\hat{H} = \int d^3x \hat{\Theta}^{tt}, \quad \hat{Q} = \int d^3x \hat{J}_V^z. \quad (30)$$

- The partition function, $Z = \text{tr}(\hat{\rho})$, can be used to define the total thermodynamic potential as:

$$\Phi = -T_0 \ln Z = \phi V, \quad (31)$$

where $V = \int d^3x$ is the (infinite) volume of Space.

- The grand potential (density) satisfies:

$$P = -\frac{d\Phi}{dV} = -\phi, \quad Q_V = -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \mu_0}, \quad s = -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial T_0}, \quad (32)$$

while $\epsilon = sT + \phi + \mu_0 Q$.

Rotating system: Grand potential

- ▶ In the rotating system, $\hat{\rho}$ is again constructed with the Noether operators:

$$(\hat{H}, \hat{Q}, \hat{M}^z) = \int d^3x (\hat{\Theta}^{tt}, \hat{J}_V^t, \mathcal{J}_C^{0,xy}), \quad (33)$$

where the integral runs over $\mathbb{R}^3$.

- ▶ The rotating system is inhomogeneous (things depend on ρ) and ill defined at distances $\rho \geq \Omega^{-1}$, hence $\Phi \neq \phi V$.
- ▶ In the rotating case, we introduce the grand canonical potential as

$$\Phi = \int_V d^3x \phi(x) = \mathcal{E} - T_0 \mathcal{S} - \mu_0 \mathcal{Q} - \Omega_0 \mathcal{M}^z, \quad (34)$$

where we demand

$$\mathcal{S} = -\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial T_0}, \quad \mathcal{Q} = -\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \mu_0}, \quad \mathcal{M}^z = -\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \Omega_0}, \quad (35)$$

thus ensuring the Gibbs-Duhem relation:

$$d\Phi = -\mathcal{S}dT_0 - \mathcal{Q}d\mu_0 - P dV - \mathcal{M} \cdot d\Omega_0. \quad (36)$$

Rotating system: Grand potential

- We can express $\mathcal{E}$ in terms of Φ as

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{E} &= \Phi - T_0 \left(\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial T_0} \right)_{\mu_0, \Omega_0} - \mu_0 \left(\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \mu_0} \right)_{T_0, \Omega_0} - \Omega_0 \left(\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \Omega_0} \right)_{T_0, \mu_0} \\ &= -T_0^2 \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial T_0} (\beta_0 \Phi[T_0, (\beta_0 \mu_0) T_0, (\beta_0 \Omega_0) T_0]) \right]_{\beta_0 \mu_0, \beta_0 \Omega_0}.\end{aligned}\quad (37)$$

- Then, Φ can be obtained from $\mathcal{E}$ by ensemble integration:

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{\beta_0} \int d\beta_0 (\mathcal{E})_{\beta_0 \mu_0, \beta_0 \Omega_0}.\quad (38)$$

- The most natural candidate for the total energy is

$$\mathcal{E} = \int d^3x \Theta^{tt},\quad (39)$$

which gives

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\beta_0} \int d\beta_0 (\Theta^{tt})_{\beta_0 \mu_0, \beta_0 \Omega_0}.\quad (40)$$

Rotating system: Grand potential

- The β_0 integration involves only the distribution function:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(x) &= \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \sum_j \Theta_j^{tt} \times \frac{1}{\beta_0 E_j} \int \frac{d(\beta_0 E_j)}{e^{\beta_0 E_j - (\beta_0 \Omega_0) m_j - (\beta_0 \mu_0) \sigma_j} + 1} \\ &= -\frac{1}{8\pi^2 \beta_0} \sum_j F_j E_j^{-1} \Theta_j^{tt},\end{aligned}\tag{41}$$

where

$$F_j = \ln(1 + e^{-\beta_0(E_j - \Omega_0 m_j - \sigma_j \mu_0)}).\tag{42}$$

- The expression for $\phi(x)$ can be further processed using integration by parts:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(x) &= -\frac{1}{8\pi^2 \beta_0} \sum_{\sigma_j, \lambda_j, m_j} \int dq_j q_j \int dk_j F_j \left(J_j^+ \frac{dk_j}{dk_j} + 2\lambda_j J_j^- \frac{dp_j}{dk_j} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \sum_j f_j \left(\frac{k_j^2}{E_j} J_j^+ + \frac{2\lambda_j p_j k_j}{E_j} J_j^- \right) \\ &= -\Theta^{zz}.\end{aligned}\tag{43}$$

- The (relativistically non-covariant) thermodynamic pressure is $P = \Theta^{zz}$.

Rotating system: Thermodynamic consistency

- ▶ So far, we *made a choice* when constructing $\mathcal{E}$ from Θ^{tt} .
- ▶ The charge density can be obtained via

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial\mu_0} &= \frac{1}{8\pi^2\beta_0} \sum_j E_j^{-1} \Theta_j^{tt} \frac{\partial F_j}{\partial\mu_0} \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \sum_j f_j \frac{\sigma_j}{E_j} \Theta_j^{tt} = J_V^t, \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

where we used $\partial F_j / \partial\mu_0 = \sigma_j \beta_0 f_j$ and $\Theta^{tt} = \sigma_j E_j J_{V;j}^t$.

- ▶ Using $\partial F_j / \partial\Omega_0 = \beta_0 m_j f_j$, the angular momentum density can be obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial\Omega_0} &= \frac{1}{8\pi^2\beta_0} \sum_j E_j^{-1} \Theta_j^{tt} \frac{\partial F_j}{\partial\Omega_0} \\ &= \rho^2 \Theta^{t\varphi} + \frac{1}{2} J_A^z = M_C^{0,xy}, \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

with $M_C^{0,xy} = x\Theta^{ty} - y\Theta^{tx} - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{0xyz} J_{A;z}$ chosen automatically in the canonical pseudogauge.

Rotating system: Thermodynamic consistency

- The entropy density can be obtained similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial T_0} = -\frac{\phi}{T_0} + \frac{1}{8\pi^2 T_0} \sum_j f_j E_j^{-1} \Theta_j^{tt} (E_j - \Omega_0 m_j - \sigma_j \mu_0) \\
 &= \frac{1}{T_0} \left(\Theta^{tt} - \phi - \rho^2 \Omega_0 \Theta_j^{t\varphi} - \mu_0 J_V^t - \frac{1}{2} \Omega_0 J_A^z \right). \tag{46}
 \end{aligned}$$

where we used $\partial F_j / \partial T_0 = f_j (E_j - \Omega_0 m_j - \sigma_j \mu_0) / T_0^2$.

- Taking into account the four-velocity $u^\mu \partial_\mu = \Gamma(\partial_t + \Omega_0 \partial_\varphi)$, we see that

$$\Theta^{tt} - \rho^2 \Omega_0 \Theta_j^{t\varphi} = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \Theta^{t\mu} u_\mu. \tag{47}$$

- Writing the last term as $\frac{1}{2} \Omega_0 J_A^z = \Omega_0 S_C^{t,xy}$, and using the vorticity tensor

$$\omega_{\alpha\beta} = a_\alpha u_\beta - a_\beta u_\alpha - \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} u^\mu \omega^\nu = \Omega_0 \Gamma (g_{\alpha x} g_{\beta y} - g_{\alpha y} g_{\beta x}), \tag{48}$$

we arrive at

$$S \equiv s^t = \frac{1}{T} \left(\Theta^{t\mu} u_\mu - \tilde{\phi}^t - \mu J_V^t - \frac{1}{2} S_C^{t,\alpha\beta} \omega_{\alpha\beta} \right), \tag{49}$$

with $T = \Gamma T_0$, $\mu = \Gamma \mu_0$ and $\tilde{\phi}^t = \Gamma \phi$.

Thermodynamic potential current

Grand potential current

- ▶ The emergence $S \rightarrow s^t$ prompts the construction of the function

$$\phi^\mu = \frac{1}{\beta_0} \int d\beta_0 (\Theta^{\mu t})_{\beta_0 \mu_0, \beta_0 \Omega_0} = -\frac{1}{8\pi^2 \beta_0} \sum_j F_j E_j^{-1} \Theta_j^{\mu t}. \quad (50)$$

- ▶ Using $\frac{\sigma_j}{E_j} \Theta_j^{\mu t} \mathcal{J}_{V;j}^\mu$ and $\partial F_j / \partial \mu_0 = \sigma_j \beta_0 f_j$, we find

$$-\frac{\partial \phi^\mu}{\partial \mu_0} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \sum_j f_j \frac{\sigma_j}{E_j} \Theta_j^{\mu t} = J_V^\mu. \quad (51)$$

- ▶ Using $\partial F_j / \partial \Omega_0 = \beta_0 m_j f_j$

$$-\frac{\partial \phi^\mu}{\partial \Omega_0} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \sum_j f_j \frac{m_j}{E_j} \Theta_j^{\mu t} = M_C^{\mu, xy}, \quad (52)$$

with $M^{\varphi, xy} = \rho^2 \Theta^{\varphi\varphi}$ and $M^{z, xy} = \rho^2 \Theta^{z\varphi} + \frac{1}{2} J_A^t$.

Grand potential current

- ▶ Similarly, the entropy current comes out to be

$$s^\mu = -\frac{\partial \phi^\mu}{\partial T_0} = \frac{1}{T_0} (\Theta^{\mu t} - \phi^\mu - \mu_0 J_V^\mu - \rho^2 \Omega \Theta^{\mu \varphi} + \frac{1}{2} \Omega_0 \varepsilon^{\mu xy \nu} J_{A;\nu}). \quad (53)$$

- ▶ Using $\Theta^{\mu\nu} u_\nu = \Gamma(\Theta^{\mu t} - \rho^2 \Omega_0 \Theta^{\mu \varphi})$ and $\omega_{\alpha\beta} S_C^{\mu,\alpha\beta} = -\Gamma \Omega_0 \varepsilon^{\mu xy \nu} J_{A;\nu}$, we arrive at

$$s^\mu = \frac{1}{T} \left(\Theta^{\mu\nu} u_\nu - \tilde{\phi}^\mu - \mu J_V^\mu - \frac{1}{2} S_C^{\mu,\alpha\beta} \omega_{\alpha\beta} \right), \quad (54)$$

with $\tilde{\phi}^\mu = \Gamma \phi^\mu$.

- ▶ Contracting now with u_μ , we find

$$s = \frac{1}{T} \left(\epsilon + P - \mu Q_V - \frac{1}{2} S_C^{\alpha\beta} \omega_{\alpha\beta} \right), \quad (55)$$

with the usual definitions:

$$\epsilon = u_\mu \Theta^{\mu\nu} u_\nu, \quad Q_V = u_\mu J_V^\mu, \quad S^{\alpha\beta} = u_\mu S^{\mu,\alpha\beta}, \quad (56)$$

while the thermodynamic pressure reads now $P = -\tilde{\phi}^\mu u_\mu \neq \Theta^{zz}$.

From global to local state

- ▶ So far, we considered thermodynamic derivatives with respect to the global ensemble parameters: T_0 , μ_0 and Ω_0 .
- ▶ The transition to the local parameters: $T = \Gamma T_0$, $\mu = \Gamma \mu_0$ and $\omega_{xy} = \Gamma \Omega_0$, can be understood at the level of the distribution function:

$$f_j = \left[e^{\beta_0(E_j - \sigma_j \mu_0 - \Omega_0 m_j)} + 1 \right]^{-1} = \left[e^{\beta(\Gamma E_j - \sigma_j \mu - \omega_{xy} m_j)} + 1 \right]^{-1}. \quad (57)$$

- ▶ In particular, we aim to regard $\tilde{\phi}^\mu = \Gamma \phi^\mu \equiv \tilde{\phi}^\mu(T, \mu, \omega_{xy})$.
- ▶ The transition $(T_0, \mu_0) \rightarrow (T, \mu)$ is straightforward, since:

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\phi}^\alpha}{\partial T} = \frac{\partial \phi^\alpha}{\partial T_0} = -s^\alpha, \quad \frac{\partial \tilde{\phi}^\alpha}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\partial \phi^\alpha}{\partial \mu_0} = -J_V^\alpha. \quad (58)$$

- ▶ However, $\Omega_0 \rightarrow \omega_{xy}$ is less clear, since

$$\frac{\partial \phi^\mu}{\partial \Omega_0} = \Gamma^2 \frac{\partial \tilde{\phi}^\mu}{\partial \omega_{xy}} - \rho^2 \Omega_0 \Gamma (\tilde{\phi}^\mu - T s^\mu - \mu J_V^\mu). \quad (59)$$

- ▶ A little rearrangement reveals that

$$-\frac{\partial \tilde{\phi}^\mu}{\partial \omega_{xy}} = S_C^{\mu, xy} + \Theta^{\mu\nu} \tilde{\tau}_\nu, \quad \tilde{\tau}^\mu \partial_\mu = -\rho^2 \Omega \partial_t - \partial_\varphi. \quad (60)$$

Local state thermodynamic

Spin potential / vorticity duality

- ▶ The derivative w.r.t. vorticity tensor gives the expected spin term, plus an undesirable orbital term.
- ▶ **Idea:** In equilibrium, $\Omega_{\alpha\beta} = \omega_{\alpha\beta}$. [Nora, David, Dirk,...]
- ▶ $\omega_{\alpha\beta}$ is kinematic in nature, while $\Omega_{\alpha\beta}$ is thermodynamic.
- ▶ We wish to disentangle the vortical = kinematic + thermodynamic, s.t.:

$$-\frac{\partial \tilde{\phi}^\mu}{\partial \omega_{xy}} = \Theta^{\mu\nu} \tilde{\tau}_\nu, \quad -\frac{\partial \tilde{\phi}^\mu}{\partial \Omega_{xy}} = S_C^{\mu,xy}. \quad (61)$$

- ▶ The kinematic part is comprised of u^μ , a^μ , ω^μ and $\tau^\mu = \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} u_\nu a_\alpha \omega_\beta$ and

$$\omega_{\alpha\beta} = a_\alpha u_\beta - a_\beta u_\alpha - \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} u^\mu \omega^\nu. \quad (62)$$

- ▶ Similarly, we introduce

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{\alpha\beta} &= \kappa_\alpha u_\beta - \kappa_\beta u_\alpha - \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} u^\mu \Omega^\nu, \\ \kappa^\mu &= \Omega^{\mu\nu} u_\nu, \quad \Omega^\mu = -\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} u_\nu \Omega_{\alpha\beta}. \end{aligned} \quad (63)$$

- ▶ To implement this programme, we consider massless (free) fermions.

Massless fermions: exact results

- In the case of massless fermions, we have the following beta-frame decomposition:

$$\begin{aligned} T^{\mu\nu} &= \epsilon u^\mu u^\nu - P_{\text{eff}} \Delta^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu} + \sigma_\varepsilon^\tau (\tau^\mu u^\nu + \tau^\nu u^\mu), \\ J_V^\mu &= Q_V u^\mu + \sigma_V^\tau \tau^\mu, \quad J_A^\mu = \sigma_A^\omega \omega^\mu, \end{aligned} \quad (64)$$

where $T^{\mu\nu} = \Theta^{(\mu\nu)}$ is in the Belinfante pseudogauge, while

$$\pi^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{2}{27\pi^2} \left(\tau^\mu \tau^\nu + \frac{\omega^2}{2} a^\mu a^\nu + \frac{a^2}{2} \omega^\mu \omega^\nu \right), \quad (65)$$

with $\omega^2 = \omega_\mu \omega^\mu = -\Omega^2 \Gamma^4$ and $a^2 = a_\mu a^\mu = -\Omega^2 \Gamma^2 (\Gamma^2 - 1)$.

- Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{eff}} &= P_{\text{cl}} - \frac{3\omega^2 + a^2}{12} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega + \frac{\omega^4 + \frac{46}{45}\omega^2 a^2 - \frac{17}{15}a^4}{192\pi^2}, \\ \sigma_\varepsilon^\tau &= -\frac{1}{3} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega + \frac{39\omega^2 + 31a^2}{360\pi^2}, \quad \sigma_A^\omega = \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega - \frac{\omega^2 + 3a^2}{24\pi^2}, \\ Q_V &= Q_{V;\text{cl}} - \frac{\mu(\omega^2 + a^2)}{4\pi^2}, \quad \sigma_V^\tau = \frac{\mu}{6\pi^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (66)$$

while $\epsilon = 3P_{\text{eff}}$ and $P_{\text{eff}} = P + \Pi$.

Thermodynamic potential current

- To compute $\phi^\mu = \beta_0^{-1} \int d\beta_0 (\Theta^{\mu t})_{\beta_0 \mu_0, \beta_0 \Omega_0}$, we require $\Theta^{\mu\nu}$, satisfying

$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} = T^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\lambda (S_C^{\lambda, \mu\nu} + S_C^{\mu, \nu\lambda} - S_C^{\nu, \lambda\mu}), \quad (67)$$

which leads to $\Theta^{t\varphi} = T^{t\varphi} + \frac{1}{4\rho} \partial_\rho J_A^z$ and $\Theta^{\varphi t} = T^{\varphi t} - \frac{1}{4\rho} \partial_\rho J_A^z$.

- After performing the integration, we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\phi}^t &= -\Gamma \left[P_{\text{cl}} - \frac{3\omega^2 + a^2}{12} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega + \frac{\omega^4 + \frac{122}{15}\omega^2 a^2 - \frac{17}{15}a^4}{192\pi^2} \right], \\ \tilde{\phi}^\varphi &= -\Omega\Gamma \left[P_{\text{cl}} - \frac{\omega^2 + 3a^2}{12} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega + \frac{\omega^4 + 22\omega^2 a^2 + 17a^4}{960\pi^2} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (68)$$

Entropy, charge and dynamic pressure

- Since $\tilde{\phi}^\rho = \tilde{\phi}^\varphi = 0$, we can decompose $\tilde{\phi}^\mu$ w.r.t. u^μ and τ^μ :

$$\tilde{\phi}^\mu = -P u^\mu - \sigma_\phi^\tau \tau^\mu, \quad (69)$$

where

$$P = P_{\text{cl}} - \frac{\omega^2 + a^2}{4} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega + \frac{\omega^4 + \frac{134}{15} \omega^2 a^2 + \frac{17}{5} a^4}{192 \pi^2},$$
$$\sigma_\phi^\tau = \frac{1}{6} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega - \frac{3\omega^2 + 17a^2}{720 \pi^2}. \quad (70)$$

- The entropy and charge densities read

$$s = \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} = s_{\text{cl}} - \frac{T(\omega^2 + a^2)}{12}, \quad Q_V = \frac{\partial P}{\partial \mu} = Q_{V;\text{cl}} - \frac{\mu(\omega^2 + a^2)}{4\pi^2}. \quad (71)$$

- The dynamic pressure then reads:

$$\Pi = \frac{1}{3} \epsilon - P = \frac{a^2}{6} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega - \frac{a^2(89\omega^2 + 51a^2)}{2160 \pi^2}. \quad (72)$$

Spin tensor

- ▶ The spin tensor reads

$$S_C^{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{1}{2}u_\mu \varepsilon^{\mu\alpha\beta\nu} J_{A;\nu}. \quad (73)$$

- ▶ In equilibrium, $J_A^\mu = \sigma_A^\omega \omega^\mu$ and

$$S_C^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2}(\omega^{\alpha\beta} + u^\alpha a^\beta - u^\beta a^\alpha) \sigma_A^\omega. \quad (74)$$

- ▶ We now assume that the tensor structure of $S^{\alpha\beta}$ is actually given by the spin tensor, instead of the vorticity tensor:

$$S_C^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2}(\Omega^{\alpha\beta} + u^\alpha \kappa^\beta - u^\beta \kappa^\alpha) \sigma_A^\omega \equiv \frac{\partial P}{\partial \Omega_{\alpha\beta}}. \quad (75)$$

- ▶ The only dependence of P on $\Omega_{\alpha\beta}$ can come by replacing $\omega^2 \rightarrow \Omega^2$ or $a^2 \rightarrow \kappa^2$. Noting that

$$\frac{\partial \Omega^2}{\partial \Omega_{\alpha\beta}} = 2(u^\beta \kappa^\alpha - u^\alpha \kappa^\beta - \Omega^{\alpha\beta}), \quad \frac{\partial \kappa^2}{\partial \Omega_{\alpha\beta}} = 2(u^\beta \kappa^\alpha - u^\alpha \kappa^\beta), \quad (76)$$

it is clear that $\partial \kappa^2 / \partial \Omega_{\alpha\beta}$ is incompatible with $S_C^{\alpha\beta}$.

Local pressure

- ▶ The solution that reduces to (70) when $\Omega_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow \omega_{\alpha\beta}$ reads

$$P = P_{\text{cl}} - \frac{\Omega^2 + a^2}{4} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega + \frac{\Omega^4 + 6\Omega^2 a^2}{192\pi^2} + \frac{44\omega^2 a^2 + 51a^4}{2880\pi^2}, \quad (77)$$

which depends on both the spin potential and the vorticity tensor.

- ▶ The local quantities read

$$\begin{aligned} s &= s_{\text{cl}} - \frac{T(\Omega^2 + a^2)}{12}, \quad Q_V = Q_{V;\text{cl}} - \frac{\mu(\Omega^2 + a^2)}{4\pi^2}, \\ S_C^{\alpha\beta} &= \frac{1}{2}(\Omega^{\alpha\beta} + u^\alpha \kappa^\beta - u^\beta \kappa^\alpha) \left(\sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega - \frac{\Omega^2 + 3a^2}{24\pi^2} \right), \\ \epsilon &= \epsilon_{\text{cl}} - \frac{3\Omega^2 + a^2}{4} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega + \frac{\Omega^4 + 2\Omega^2 a^2 - \frac{44}{45}\omega^2 a^2 - \frac{17}{15}a^4}{64\pi^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (78)$$

where $\epsilon = sT - P + \mu Q_V + \frac{1}{2}\omega_{\alpha\beta} S_C^{\alpha\beta}$ was employed.

- ▶ Knowing that $P_{\text{eff}} = \epsilon/3 = P + \Pi$, we can identify the dynamic pressure as

$$\Pi = \frac{a^2}{6} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega - \frac{\Omega^2 a^2 + \frac{44}{45}\omega^2 a^2 + \frac{17}{5}a^4}{48\pi^2}, \quad (79)$$

which is compatible with the relation $\Pi = -\frac{1}{6}\omega_{\alpha\beta}(\partial P/\partial\omega_{\alpha\beta})$.

Bonus: Unruh effect

- ▶ Consider now a fluid undergoing accelerated motion (no vorticity):

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_{\text{cl}} - \frac{a^2}{4} \sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega - \frac{17a^4}{960\pi^2}. \quad (80)$$

- ▶ The solution $\epsilon = 0$ gives

$$\mathbf{a}^2 = \frac{120\pi^2}{17} \left(\sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega + \sqrt{(\sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega)^2 + \frac{17}{15\pi^2} \epsilon_{\text{cl}}} \right). \quad (81)$$

- ▶ When $\mu = 0$, we have $\sigma_{A;\text{cl}}^\omega = T^2/6$ and $\epsilon_{\text{cl}} = 7\pi^2 T^4/60$, such that

$$\mathbf{a}^2 = (2\pi T)^2. \quad (82)$$

- ▶ The above relation confirms our thermodynamic relations are compatible with the Unruh effect:

$$T > T_U = \frac{|\mathbf{a}|}{2\pi}. \quad (83)$$

- ▶ When $T < T_U$, we have $\epsilon < 0$ and consequently, $P_{\text{eff}} = P + \Pi < 0 \Rightarrow$ instability.

Conclusion

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- ▶ We explored the thermodynamics of a quantum fluid exhibiting vorticity and acceleration.
- ▶ In the rigidly rotating ensemble, we constructed the thermodynamic potential within a fictitious cylinder of radius $R < \Omega^{-1}$ (within the causal cylinder).
- ▶ We constructed its associated current and obtained a thermodynamically consistent framework.
- ▶ Locally, we revealed the requirement of disentangling between kinematic (derived from vorticity tensor) and thermodynamic (derived from spin potential) vortical contributions.
- ▶ In the frame of massless fermions, we obtained the thermodynamic pressure of a fluid at finite spin potential and under finite vorticity.
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