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# The EBE-AVFD "Warriors"

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### Chiral Magnetic Effect in Isobaric Collisions from Anomalous-Viscous Fluid Dynamics (AVFD)

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# **Exciting Progress: See Recent Reviews**



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# **Chiral Symmetry & Chiral Anomaly**

# Symmetry



- \* Spacetime symmetry
- \* Global symmetry: conserved quantum numbers
- \* Gauge symmetry: SU(3) strong force; SU(2)\*U(1) electroweak force

#### 

$$J_5^{\mu} = \bar{\Psi} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma^5 \Psi$$

**Axial current** 

**Classically conserved** 

 $\partial_{\mu}J_5^{\mu} = 0$ 

In this case, chirality becomes well defined.

$$\begin{array}{c} \underset{(\mathsf{RH})}{\mathsf{Right}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{s}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{p}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{p}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{p}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{p}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{p}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{s}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{p}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{s}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{p}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{s}} & \overbrace{\mathbf{s}$$

d 
$$\Psi_R = rac{1+\gamma^5}{2} \Psi$$
  $\Psi_L = rac{1-\gamma^5}{2} \Psi$ 

$$\mathcal{L} \to \bar{\Psi}_L \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \Psi_L + \bar{\Psi}_R \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \Psi_R$$

### Phase symmetries: independent U(1) for RH and LH sectors!

Chiral Symmetry: Explicit Breaking If a nonzero Lagrangian mass term is added: axial symmetry is explicitly broken.

$$m\bar{\Psi}\Psi = m\left(\bar{\Psi}_L\Psi_R + \bar{\Psi}_R\Psi_L\right)$$

RH and LH get coupled together. Axial current is no longer conserved:

$$\partial_{\mu}J_{5}^{\mu} = 2im\bar{\Psi}\gamma^{5}\Psi$$

The mass controls the degree of such breaking.

In QCD, for light flavors (u & d), Lagrangian mass is small:

$$m_{u,d} \ll \Lambda_{QCD}$$

**QCD** has chiral symmetry (to very good approximation)!

# Chiral Symmetry: Spontaneous Breaking

I GAP

Dirac

Sea

 $m_{\pi} \approx 140 MeV, \ m_n \approx 940 MeV$ 



λ

 $\Omega ( \sqrt{\sqrt{2}})$ 

$$M' = m - 2G \langle \psi \psi \rangle$$
  
Constituent  
mass  
Lagrangian  
(SM) mass  
Vacuum  
condensate  
It accounts for 99% of  
the mass of our visible  
matter in universe.

## **Chiral Symmetry Restoration**

# \* Spontaneously broken chiral symmetry in the vacuum is a fundamental property of QCD.



\* A chirally symmetric quark-gluon plasma at high temperature is an equally fundamental property of QCD!

**Could we see direct experimental evidence for that?** 

# "Little Bang" in High Energy Nuclear Collision



\* Quark-gluon plasma (QGP) is created in such collisions. \* It is PRIMORDIALLY HOT ~ trillion degrees ~ early universe. \* Is chiral symmetry restored?











## Chiral Symmetry: Quantum Anomaly Chiral anomaly is a fundamental aspect of QFT with chiral fermions.

Classical symmetry:

$$egin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= i ar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \Psi \ \mathcal{L} & o i ar{\Psi}_L \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \Psi_L + i ar{\Psi}_R \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \Psi_R \ \Lambda_A &: \Psi o e^{i \gamma_5 heta} \Psi \ \partial_\mu J_5^\mu &= 0 \end{aligned}$$





Broken at QM level:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{\mu}J_{5}^{\mu} &= C_{A}\vec{E}\cdot\vec{B} \\ \frac{dQ_{5}}{dt} &= \int_{\vec{x}}C_{A}\vec{E}\cdot\vec{B} \end{aligned}$$

\* C\_A is universal anomaly coefficient\* Anomaly is intrinsically QUANTUM effect

[e.g. pi0—> 2 gamma]

# Recap: Chiral Symmetry in QCD



Look for pure quantum anomaly effect in hot QGP with chiral symmetry restoration!

# Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME)

### From Micro. Laws To Macro. Phenomena



### WHAT ABOU the "SEMI"-SYMMETRY??? i..e ANOMALY?! — classical symmetry that is broken in quantum theory

# The Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME)



# Intuitive Picture of CME



#### Intuitive understanding of CME:

Magnetic polarization —> correlation between micro. SPIN & EXTERNAL FORCE



Chiral imbalance —> correlation between directions of SPIN & MOMENTUM



Transport current along magnetic field

 $\vec{J} = \frac{Q^2}{2-2} \,\mu_5 \,\vec{B}$ 

# CME <=> Chiral Anomaly

Anomaly --> 
$$\partial^{\mu} j_{\mu}^{5} = \frac{q^{2}}{2\pi^{2}} E \cdot B$$
  $\frac{dN_{5}}{dtd^{3}x} = \frac{q^{2}}{2\pi^{2}} E \cdot B$   
Chirality -->  $\int d^{3}x j_{el} \cdot E = \mu_{5} \frac{dN_{5}}{dt} = \frac{q^{2}\mu_{5}}{2\pi^{2}} \int d^{3}x B \cdot E$   
 $E \rightarrow 0$   $j_{el} = (q^{2}\mu_{5}/2\pi^{2})B$ 

\* This is a non-dissipative current!
\* Indeed the chiral magnetic conductivity is P-odd but T-even!
(In contrast the Ohmic conductivity is T-odd and dissipative.)

# Searching for CME in Laboratories

CME was observed via negative magnetoresistance in semimetals.



**Observe CME for the subatomic chiral matter in heavy ion collisions?** 

(nearly) chiral quarks
 chirality imbalance
 strong magnetic field

# CME and Beam Energy Scan

Restoration of chiral symmetry only at high enough beam energy -> beam energy dependence is crucial!



\* We'd like to see a chiral QGP above certain threshold energy via CME \* We'd like to see its turning off at low enough energy

# From Gluon Topology to Quark Chirality



$$N_5(t \to +\infty) - N_5(t \to -\infty) = \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \int dt d^3 \mathbf{r} \, G_a^{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^a$$

QCD anomaly: gluon topology —> chirality imbalance

$$N_R - N_L = N_5 = 2Q_w$$

# Rotation & Magnetic Fields in Heavy Ion Collisions

# **Fascinating New Frontiers**



## "Rotating" Quark-Gluon Plasma



$$L_y = \frac{Ab\sqrt{s}}{2} \sim 10^{4\sim 5}\hbar$$

QGP's way of accommodating this angular momentum: forming fluid vorticity!



 $\vec{\omega} = \frac{1}{2} \nabla \times \vec{\mathbf{v}}$  $v \sim 0.1 c \quad \partial \sim \mathrm{fm}^{-1}$ 





# Global Polarization in the Most Vortical Fluid



# **Rotational Suppression of Fermion Pairing**

Let us consider pairing phenomenon in fermion systems. There are many examples:

superconductivity, superfluidity, chiral condensate, diquark, ...

#### We consider scalar pairing state, with J=0.

$$\vec{S} = \vec{s}_1 + \vec{s}_2 \qquad \vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$$

Rotation tends to polarize ALL angular momentum, both L and S, thus suppressing scalar pairing.







## Strong Electromagnetic Fields



Large angular momentum together with large (+Ze) nuclear charge —> strong magnetic field!

### Strong Electromagnetic Fields Out-of-plane Y в $\begin{array}{cc} \mathbf{X} & E, B \sim \gamma \frac{Z \alpha_{EM}}{R_{\Lambda}^2} \sim 3 m_{\pi}^2 \end{array}$ B field Common Strongest Compact Magnet Steady B-field Astro-objects at RHIC Earth

• Strongest B field (and strong E field as well) naturally arises! [Kharzeev,McLerran,Warringa;Skokov,et al; Bzdak-Skokov; Deng-Huang; Skokov-McLerran;Tuchin; ...]

10^13-15

10^17

• "Out-of-plane" orientation (approximately) [Bloczynski-Huang-Zhang-Liao]

10^5

100

0.6

## Strong Electromagnetic Fields



Quantitative simulations confirm the existence of such extreme fields!

[STAR measurements of di-electron — direct hint?! PRL2018]

# **CME** Signal in Heavy Ion Collisions

# From CME Current to Charge Separation



[Kharzeev 2004; Kharzeev, McLerran, Warringa, 2008;...]

$$\frac{dN_{\pm}}{d\phi} \propto \dots + a_{\pm} \sin(\phi - \Psi_{RP})$$

$$< a_{\pm} > \sim \pm < \mu_5 > B$$

#### Very difficult measurement:

- \* Zero average, only nonzero variance;
- \* Correlation measurement with significant backgrounds;
- \* Signal likely very small

## **Experimental Observable**

charge separation  $\Rightarrow$  charge dept. two-particle correlation Voloshin, 2004  $\gamma = \langle \cos(\Delta \phi_i + \Delta \phi_j) \rangle = \langle \cos \Delta \phi_i \cos \Delta \phi_j \rangle - \langle \sin \Delta \phi_i \sin \Delta \phi_j \rangle$  $\delta = \langle \cos(\Delta \phi_i - \Delta \phi_j) \rangle = \langle \cos \Delta \phi_i \cos \Delta \phi_j \rangle + \langle \sin \Delta \phi_i \sin \Delta \phi_j \rangle$ 

 $\gamma = \kappa v_2 F - H$  $\delta = F + H$ 

F: Bulk Background H: Possible Pure CME Signal =  $(a_{1,CME})^2$ 

Bzdak, Koch, JL, 2012



# **Recent Exp. Search Status**







# Fluid Dynamics with Chiral Anomaly

[Not discussed here: calculations based on transport framework, e.g. works by X. Huang, G. Ma, Y. Ma, J. Xu, C.M. Ko, .....]

# Fluid Dynamics That Knows Left & Right



Microscopic quantum anomaly emerges as macroscopic anomalous hydrodynamic currents!



It would be remarkable to actually "see" this new hydrodynamics at work in real world materials!

# Anomalous Viscous Fluid Dynamics (AVFD)



### AVFD: Anomalous-Viscous Fluid Dynamics

# The AVFD Framework



We now have a versatile tool to quantitatively understand and answer many important questions about CME in heavy ion collisions!





# The AVFD Framework



<sup>[</sup>We now also have MUSIC-AVFD!]

# Demonstrating the AVFD



Upper: NO magnetic field Lower: with B field (along y+ direction)



# Demonstrating the AVFD



Upper: Left-Handed (LH), with B field (along y+ direction) Lower: Right-Handed (RH), with B field (along y+ direction)



# The Charge Separation from AVFD



B field ⊗ µ<sub>5</sub> ⇒ current ⇒ dipole (charge separation) dN<sub>±</sub>/d $\phi \propto 1 + 2 a_{1\pm} \sin(\phi - \psi_{RP}) + ...$ 

 $H_{SS}-H_{OS} \leftrightarrow 2(a_1)^2$ 

# AVFD Predictions v.s Experimental Data



**Table 1**. Centrality dependence of magnetic field peak strength and the initial chirality imbalance. The  $n_5/s$  shown here is obtained with a saturation scale  $Q_s^2 = 1.25 \text{GeV}^2$ .

EBE-AVFD Predictions for CME in Isobaric Collisions (Newest results!)

Shi, Zhang, Hou, JL, in final preparation, to appear soon; Shi, Zhang, Hou, JL, contribution in QM18 proceedings.

# Event-By-Event AVFD



Include EBE fluctuations:

- Initial Conditions
- Statistic @ Freeze-out
- Hadron Cascade

Important for better understanding: \* Interplay between signal and BKG; \* Experimental analysis methods

# Using Isobaric Collisions for CME Search



Key idea: contrasting two systems with identical bulk, varied magnetic fields.

### Charge Asymmetry Correlation Measurement



# How to Choose Identical Systems?

#### **Eccentricity is guaranteed the same!**

B field differs by 12~20% !



Joint multiplicity-geometry cut: Vanishing difference in bulk properties, Sizable difference in magnetic fields!!!

## Correlation Observables of Isobars from AVFD



Difference in correlations is very sensitive to CME contribution!

Both gamma and delta are important to look at!

# **Correlation Observables of Isobars from AVFD**

*Exp. statistics are expected to shrink error bar by a factor of ~10* 



Both gamma and delta are important to look at!

# Absolute Difference between Isobars from AVFD



# Summary & Outlook

# Summary

AVFD: A versatile tool for an era of quantitative study of CME signals in heavy ion collisions !





EBE-AVFD for the Isobars: 1) Event selection for truly identical bulk! 2) Both gamma & delta needed! 2) Absolute difference in correlations sensitive to CME!

# Mapping Out the Phases of QCD Matter

\* Establishing a chiral QGP at higher energy via anomalous chiral effects \* IF hints of CME at 200GeV —> Isobar exp. at BES energies is crucial!



Beam Energy Scan Theory (BEST) Collaboration: BNL, IU, LBNL, McGill U, Michigan State U, MIT, NCSU, OSU, Stony Brook U, U Chicago, U Conn, U Huston, UIC