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#### Nuclear Matter: At the Heart of All Matter

The physical world has a hierarchy of structures.



#### A Map of the Extreme Matter



This talk will focus on the "hot frontier".

#### **QCD & Chiral Symmetry**

Different frontiers are intrinsically connected: they are described by the SAME QCD, with the SAME set of fundamental symmetries.

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



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

## "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?



From Chiral Anomaly to Chiral Magnetic Effect

## **Chiral Anomaly**

#### Chiral anomaly is a fundamental aspect of QFT with chiral fermions.

Classical symmetry:

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





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]

#### Landau Levels in Magnetic Field



 $E_n^2 = p_z^2 + 2nB$ 

Lowest-Landau-Level (LLL): LLL is chiral!

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$$J_5^\mu = J_R^\mu - J_L^\mu$$



Illustrated with Lowest-Landau-Level (LLL) picture: the LLL is chiral!

#### From Micro. Laws To Macro. Phenomena

*Micro. Laws: Symmetry; Lagrangian;* 

Conservation laws;

Macro. Phenomena:

Thermodynamics; Phase transitions; Transport; Hydrodynamics;

Would chiral anomaly, usually considered at microscopic level, manifest itself MACROSCOPICALLY in a many-body system of chiral fermions? If so, how?

### Emergence in Hydrodynamic Context

Symmetry	Micro. Conservation Law	Emergent Macro. Hydro
translational invariance	energy and momentum conserved	$\partial_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu} = 0$
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#### WHAT ABOU "HALF"-SYMMETRY??? i..e ANOMALY?!

- classical symmetry that is broken in quantum theory

### Anomalous Transport: Chiral Magnetic Effect

\* The Chiral Magnetic (CME) is an anomalous transport current



In NORMAL environment, this will NOT happen. For this to occur: need a <u>P- and CP-Odd environment!</u>

#### A (convenient) way to quantify IMBALANCE in the numbers of LH vs RH chiral fermions -> CHIRAL MATTER!

Such imbalance can be generated through chiral anomaly coupled with E-dot-B (e.g. topological fluctuations of QCD).

#### So How Does CME Work?



One may recognize deep connection between CME & anomaly.

$$\partial_{\mu}J_{5}^{\mu} = C_{A}\vec{E}\cdot\vec{B}$$
  
 $\vec{\mathbf{J}} = \sigma_{5}\mu_{5}\vec{\mathbf{B}}$ 

The CME conductivity is

- \* fixed entirely by quantum anomaly
- \* T-even, non-dissipative

\* universal from weak to strong coupling

We need to modify hydrodynamics!

Hydrodynamics That Knows Left & Right



Microscopic quantum anomaly emerges as macroscopic anomalous hydrodynamic currents!

[Fluid rotation induces similar effects as magnetic field]

### **CME in Heavy Ion Collisions**

## **Exciting Progress: See Recent Reviews**



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### The Setup of Heavy Ion Collision



The quark-gluon plasma is a type of CHIRAL MATTER, with (approximately) chiral quarks.

Can we observe CME??

$$\vec{\mathbf{J}} = \sigma_5 \mu_5 \vec{\mathbf{B}}$$



Strongest B field (and strong E field as well) naturally arises! [Kharzeev,McLerran,Warringa;Skokov,et al; Bzdak-Skokov; Deng-Huang; Bloczynski-Huang-Zhang-Liao; Skokov-McLerran;Tuchin; ...]
"Out-of-plane" orientation (approximately)



*A simple estimate of initial axial charge density:* [c.f. Hirono, Hirano, Kharzeev, 2014; Mueller, Schaefer, 2010; Kharzeev, Krasnitz, Venugopalan]

$$\sqrt{\langle n_5^2 \rangle} \simeq \frac{Q_s^4 \left( \pi \rho_{tube}^2 \tau_0 \right) \sqrt{N_{coll}}}{16 \pi^2 A_{overlap}}$$



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

#### Summarizing Exp. Search Status

Main challenge: flow-driven background v.s. CME signal

Vary v2 for fixed B: AuAu v.s. UU; Varying event-shape; 2-component subtraction.

Vary B for fixed v2: Isobaric collisions with RuRu v.s. ZrZr Our best guess for now:



Encouraging experimental evidence for CME in QGP — can we quantitatively compute CME signal?

### The Flowing Quark-Gluon Plasma



$$\frac{\mathrm{dN}}{\mathrm{dP}_{\mathrm{t}}\,\mathrm{d}\phi} = \frac{\mathrm{dN}}{\mathrm{dP}_{\mathrm{t}}} \left[1 + 2\,\mathbf{v}_2\,\left(\mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{t}}\right)\,\mathrm{cos}\,\left(2\,\phi\right)\,+\,\ldots\,\right]$$

\* Nearly perfect fluidity: mapping fine details of initial conditions  $1 \le 4\pi (\eta/s)_{
m QGP} \le 2.5$  the smallest among known substances

\* The QGP's rapid expansion is well described by relativistic viscous fluid dynamics.

\* Chiral fermion currents are "carried" by the bulk flow.

$$\begin{split} D_{\mu}J_{R}^{\mu} &= + \frac{N_{c}q^{2}}{4\pi^{2}} E_{\mu}B^{\mu} \qquad D_{\mu}J_{L}^{\mu} = - \frac{N_{c}q^{2}}{4\pi^{2}} E_{\mu}B^{\mu} \\ J_{R}^{\mu} &= n_{R} u^{\mu} + v_{R}^{\mu} + \frac{\sigma}{2} E^{\mu} + \begin{pmatrix} N_{c}q \\ 4\pi^{2} \\ \mu_{R} \\ N_{c}q \\ 4\pi^{2} \\ \mu_{L} \\$$



B field +  $\mu_A \Rightarrow$  charge separation dN<sub>±</sub>/d $\phi \propto 1 + 2 a_{1\pm} \sin(\phi - \psi_{RP}) + ...$ 







$$B(\tau) = \frac{B_0}{1 + (\tau/\tau_B)^2}$$
$$\tau_B = 0.6 \text{fm/c}$$

$$\sqrt{\langle n_5^2 \rangle} \simeq \frac{Q_s^4 \left( \pi \rho_{tube}^2 \tau_0 \right) \sqrt{N_{coll.}}}{16 \pi^2 A_{overlap}}$$

With realistic initial axial charge density and short magnetic lifetime, data could be described.

### A Wealth of Anomalous Chiral Transport Phenomena

#### Chiral Magnetic Wave (CMW) Wave: propagating "oscillations" of two coupled quantities e.g. sound wave (pressure & density); EM wave (E & B fields)





**Chiral Magnetic Wave** 

[Kharzeev, Yee, 2010; Burnier, Kharzeev, JL, Yee, 2011]

CMW Induced Flow Splitting *CMW —> charge quadrupole of QGP —> elliptic flow splitting* [Burnier, Kharzeev, JL, Yee, PRL2011; and arXiv: 1208.2537]



#### **Chiral Vortical Effect**

Interesting analogy between magnetic field and fluid rotation!





\* Collective excitations: Chiral Vortical Wave

\* Sizable angular momentum and fluid vorticity in QGP.

#### Non-Equilibrium CME: Chiral Kinetic Theory Chiral fermions out-of-equilibrium: how anomaly shows up? [Son, Yamamoto; Stephanov, Yin; Chen, Son, Stephanov,

Yee, Yin; Gao, Liang, Pu, Wang, Wang;...: 2012~2015]

Definite chirality: Spin "rotates" with momentum —> Berry Phase

- $p \lesssim \sqrt{B}$   $J_{anom} \sim (E \cdot B)b$ \* CKT: Introducing O(h-bar) quantum effect
- \* Correctly accounting for anomaly



 $b = \frac{p}{2|p|^2}$ 

classical region

Berry curvature

anom. velocity

 $\dot{x} - v - \widetilde{\dot{p} \times b} = 0;$ 

 $\dot{p} - E - \dot{x} \times B = 0$ 

### Non-Equilibrium CME: Classical Statistical Field

#### **Dirac equation knows anomaly!**

Chiral Magnetic Effect:

t: 
$$\vec{j}_v \propto j_a^0 \vec{B}$$

axial charge density



 Solve operator Dirac equation in the presence of SU(N) and U(1) gauge fields

 $i\gamma^0\partial_t\hat{\psi} = (-iD\!\!\!/_W^s + m)\hat{\psi}$ 

# CME can be automatically generated during the fermion production process.

[Mueller, Schlichting, Mace, Sharma, 1612.02477; Fukushima, 2015]





### New Territory of CME Physics: 3D Semimetals

The anomalous transport phenomena are universal phenomena across boundaries of disciplines, encompassing a wide range of chiral systems!



One should expect to see CME in semimetals — CME in fact becomes a signal of chiral fermions!

#### New Territory of CME Physics: Table-Top Exp.

$$N_{L,R} \approx \frac{e^2}{4\pi^2\hbar^2 c} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}\tau_v$$

$$\mu \equiv \mu_L - \mu_R \sim \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}\tau_v$$

$$\vec{J}_{CME} = \frac{e^2}{2\pi^2} \mu \vec{B}$$

$$J_{CME}^i = \sigma_{CME}^{ik} E^k; \quad \sigma_{CME}^{zz} \sim B^2$$

$$\sigma \equiv \sigma_0 + \sigma_{CME} = + \sigma_0 + a(T)B^2$$

#### Chiral magnetic effect in ZrTe₅

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arXiv:1412.6543 [cond-mat.str-el]

# Summary & Outlook

#### Summary

Microscopic chiral anomaly emerges as anomalous chiral transport in chiral matter (e.g. QGP): Chiral Magnetic Effect, Chiral Magnetic Wave, Vortical Effects, ...

Theoretical frameworks have been developed for anomalous chiral transport: anomalous hydro; chiral kinetic theory; classical statistical field theory

Anomalous-Viscous Fluid Dynamics, with reasonable parameters and initial conditions, predicts CME signals that could quantitatively explain data.







### **Toward Completion of RHIC Science Mission**

RHIC is a unique test ground for rich, novel QCD phenomena.

### **RHIC Run Plan**



Up to 10% variation in B field, thus ~20% shift of CME signal!

#### Predictions for Isobaric Collisions



Isobaric collisions will be a crucial test!

### Toward Physics of Beam Energy Scan

\* Establishing a chiral QGP at higher energy via anomalous chiral effects \* Searching for chiral critical point & 1st-order transition at lower energy





Stay tuned for exciting news in the near future!

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