On lower bound of relaxation time for massless fluid in presence of magnetic field

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Present work has gone through analytic calculation of shear viscosity and entropy density of massless relativistic fluid, facing external magnetic field B and then explored its fluid property.

Before going to finite magnetic field picture, let us remind the expression of shear viscosity for bosonic/fermionic fluid in absence of magnetic field [1],

$$\eta = \frac{\beta}{15} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\mathbf{p}^4}{\omega^2} \tau_c f(1 - af) , \qquad (1)$$

where $f = 1/(e^{\beta\omega} + a)$, with $a = \pm 1$ for fermionic/bosonic fluid, $\omega = \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}$ is energy of massive constituent of medium, and most important quantity is the relaxation time τ_c , which proportionally control the strength of shear viscosity.

Now, when we come the magnetic field picture, an additional time scale $\tau_B = \omega/(eB)$ will come into the picture and in terms of these two time scale τ_c and τ_B , we will get an effective time scale

$$\tau_{\text{eff}} = \tau_c / \left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{\tau_c}{\tau_B} \right)^2 \right\} \tag{2}$$

which will be entered in place of τ_c of Eq. (1) for finite magnetic field picture. Hence we will get shear viscosity of bosonic/fermionic fluid in presence of magnetic field [2] as

$$\eta_2 = \frac{\beta}{15} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\mathbf{p}^4}{\omega^2} \tau_{\text{eff}} f(1 - af) , \quad (3)$$

where the subscript 2 stands for one of the component of shear viscosities among 5 components, appeared due to magnetic field.

For massless case, Eq. (1) becomes

$$\eta = \frac{4\tau_c}{5\pi^2}\zeta(4) T^4 = \frac{4\pi^2 \tau_c}{450} T^4 \text{ for Boson}$$

$$= \left(\frac{7}{8}\right) \frac{4\tau_c}{5\pi^2}\zeta(4) T^4 = \frac{7\pi^2 \tau_c}{900} T^4 \text{ for Fermion}$$
(4)

and Eq. (3) becomes

$$\eta_2 = \frac{\eta(B=0)}{1 + (\tau_c/\tau_B)^2} = \frac{\frac{4\pi^2 \tau_c}{450} T^4}{1 + (\tau_c/\tau_B)^2} \text{ for Boson}
= \frac{\eta(B=0)}{1 + (\tau_c/\tau_B)^2} = \frac{\frac{7\pi^2 \tau_c}{900} T^4}{1 + (\tau_c/\tau_B)^2} \text{ for Fermion}.$$
(5)

For calculation simplification, we have considered average energy in τ_B

$$\tau_B = \left\{ \frac{\zeta(4)}{\zeta(3)} \right\} \frac{3T}{eB} \text{ for Boson}$$

$$= \left\{ \frac{7\zeta(4)}{2\zeta(3)} \right\} \frac{3T}{eB} \text{ for Fermion} \quad (6)$$

Now, let us come to the perfect fluid aspects of fermionic/bosonic fluid. Fluidity of the medium is measured by the shear viscosity to entropy density ratio η/s , where entropy density s of medium can be expressed as

$$s = \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \left(\omega + \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{3\omega}\right) f , \qquad (7)$$

whose massless limit is

$$s = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \zeta(4) T^3 = \frac{4\pi^2}{90} T^3 \text{ for Boson}$$
$$= \left(\frac{7}{8}\right) \frac{4}{\pi^2} \zeta(4) T^3 = \frac{7\pi^2}{180} T^3 \text{ for Fermion .}$$
(8)

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In classical case, we can imagine a perfect fluid, having $\eta/s=0$ but in quantum case, we get a lower bound of η/s , which is also known as KSS bound [3], and it is $1/(4\pi)$. For massless medium, using η from Eq. (4) and s from Eq. (8), we can get $\eta/s=\tau_c T/5$, which is interestingly same for bosonic or fermionic fluid, although their individual η and s expressions are different. If at $\tau_c=\tau_c^0$, lower bound of η/s for massless medium is achieved, then we get

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{\tau_c^0 T}{5} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_c^0 = \frac{5}{4\pi T}, \qquad (9)$$

which is quite standard well-known results. In this context, the present article provide similar type of analytic expression of relaxation time as a function T and B for massless fluid in presence of magnetic field. Using normal viscosity component η_2 from Eq. (5) and s from Eq. (8), we will get η_2/s , which will be now different for Maxwell-Boltzmann (MB), Bose-Einstein (BE) and Fermi-Dirac (FD) distribution cases as it contains τ_B , whose average values are different for different cases. By restricting $\eta_2/s = 1/4\pi$, we can get quadratic equation of τ_c :

$$\tau_c^2 - 4\pi \tau_B^2 \frac{\eta(B=0)}{s} + \tau_B^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_c^2 - \left(\frac{4\pi T \tau_B^2}{5}\right) \tau_c + \tau_B^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_c^2 - \left(\frac{\tau_B^2}{\tau_c^2}\right) \tau_c + \tau_B^2 = 0 . \quad (10)$$

The solution of above equation is

$$\tau_c = \tau_c^{2\pm} = \frac{\tau_B^2}{2\tau_c^0} \left[1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4\left(\frac{\tau_c^0}{\tau_B}\right)^2} \right] . \quad (11)$$

So far from our best knowledge, we are first time addressing an analytic expressions of $\tau_c(T, B)$ [2], where massless bosonic/fermionic matter in presence of magnetic field reach the KSS bound. To get a physical solution of Eq. (11), we need

$$1 - 4\left(\frac{\tau_c^0}{\tau_B}\right)^2 \ge 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_B \ge 2\tau_c^0 . \tag{12}$$

Using MB relation $\tau_B = \frac{3T}{eB}$ in above inequality, we have

$$\frac{3T}{eB} \ge 2\frac{5}{4\pi T}$$

$$T \ge \left(\frac{5eB}{6\pi}\right)^{1/2}.$$
(13)

Corresponding FD and BE relations from Eq. (6) will give

$$T \geq \left[\left(\frac{\zeta(3)}{\zeta(4)} \right) \frac{5eB}{6\pi} \right]^{1/2} \text{ for BE}$$

$$T \geq \left[\left(\frac{2\zeta(3)}{7\zeta(4)} \right) \frac{5eB}{6\pi} \right]^{1/2} \text{ for FD} . \quad (14)$$

Hence, Eqs. (13) and (14) can be identified as upper allowed domain, where KSS bound can be achieved while lower domain is forbidden zone if we believe that η_2/s never goes below $\frac{1}{4\pi}$. Within the allowed T-B zone, we will get two positive values of relaxation time τ_c^{\pm} , where KSS bound can be achieved. It can be understandable mathematically as follows. For smaller values of τ_c or $\tau_c/\tau_B \ll 1$, $\eta_2/s \propto \tau_c$, while for larger values of τ_c or $\tau_c/\tau_B >> 1$, $\eta_2/s \propto 1/\tau_c$. Due to this two opposite trends of τ_c dependence, we are getting a lower and upper values of τ_c , where η_2/s reach the lower bound $1/(4\pi)$. The detail analysis of this investigation is documented in Ref. [2].

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