

Cold Holographic matter in top-down models

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Motivation

We want to explore new phases of matter at finite density
by using the holographic gauge/gravity duality

Holography allows to study strongly interacting systems with no
quasiparticle description

Physical examples:

Quark-gluon plasma

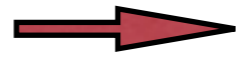
Strange metals

Heavy electron systems

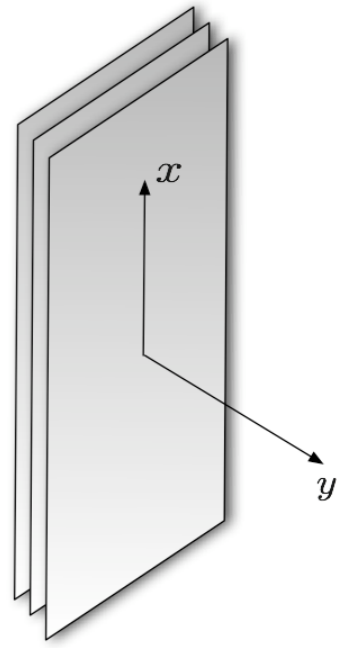
They are non-Fermi liquids

(Top-down) Holographic model


SYM theory at strong coupling and large N



Stack of color D_p -branes



There is a 10d metric associated
Fields in the adjoint rep.

Charge carriers  Flavor D_q -branes

They add fields in the fundamental rep. (quarks) living in the intersection

mass of the quarks  distance between the D_p and D_q branes

Brane setup

Dp-Dq brane intersection of the type $(n | p \perp q)$

	x^1	\dots	x^n	x^{n+1}	\dots	x^p	y^1	\dots	y^{q-n}	y^{q-n+1}	\dots	y^{9-p}
$Dp :$	\times	\dots	\times	\times	\dots	\times	$-$	\dots	$-$	$-$	\dots	$-$
$Dq :$	\times	\dots	\times	$-$	\dots	$-$	\times	\dots	\times	$-$	\dots	$-$

Dp $\rightarrow N_c$ color branes ($p + 1$ -dimensional gauge theory on the bulk)

Dq $\rightarrow N_f$ flavor branes (fundamental hypermultiplets)

Probe approximation ($N_f \ll N_c$)

Dp \rightarrow represented by a gravity solution

Dq \rightarrow a probe in the Dp-brane background

Coordinates transverse to both branes

$\vec{z} = (z^1, \dots, z^{9+n-p-q}) \rightarrow$ embedding functions ($z = 0 \rightarrow$ massless quarks)

Probe action

$$S = T_{Dq} \int d^{q+1} \xi e^{-\phi} \sqrt{-\det(g + F)}$$

No WZ term

$g \rightarrow$ induced metric

$\phi \rightarrow$ dilaton

$F \rightarrow$ worldvolume gauge field

For the Dp-brane background (massless quarks)

$$ds_{q+1}^2 = \rho^{\frac{7-p}{2}} \left[-f_p(\rho) dt^2 + (dx^1)^2 + \dots + (dx^n)^2 \right] + \rho^{\frac{p-7}{2}} \left[\frac{d\rho^2}{f_p(\rho)} + \rho^2 d\Omega_{q-n-1}^2 \right]$$

$$f_p = 1 - \left(\frac{r_h}{\rho} \right)^{7-p} \quad e^{-2\phi} = \left(\frac{R}{\rho} \right)^{\frac{(7-p)(p-3)}{2}}$$

r_h is related to the temperature $\longrightarrow T = \frac{7-p}{4\pi} r_h^{\frac{5-p}{2}}$

Baryonic charge density \rightarrow dual the DBI gauge field A^t

$$\langle J^t \rangle = \frac{\delta S}{\delta A'_t} \quad A'_t \equiv \partial_\rho A_t$$

The dynamics of the probe depends on p and λ

$$\lambda = 2n + \frac{1}{2} (p - 3) (p + q - 2n - 8)$$

Ansatz for F \longrightarrow $F = A'_t d\rho \wedge dt + B dx^1 \wedge dx^2$

Action \longrightarrow $S_{Dq} = -\mathcal{N} V_{\mathbb{R}^{(n,1)}} \int d\rho \sqrt{\rho^\lambda + B^2 \rho^{\lambda+p-7}} \sqrt{1 - A_t'^2}$

A_t is a cyclic variable

$$\frac{\sqrt{\rho^\lambda + B^2 \rho^{\lambda+p-7}}}{\sqrt{1 - A_t'^2}} A'_t = d \quad \longrightarrow \quad A'_t = \frac{d}{\sqrt{\rho^\lambda + B^2 \rho^{\lambda+p-7} + d^2}} \quad \langle J^t \rangle = \mathcal{N} d$$

Thermodynamics at zero T

Chemical potential (for $B = 0$)

$$\mu = A_t(\infty) = \int_0^\infty d\rho A'_t = \gamma d^{\frac{2}{\lambda}}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{\lambda}\right) \Gamma\left(1 + \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$$

Grand Canonical potential

$$\Omega = -S_{on-shell}^{reg} = \mathcal{N} \int_0^\infty \rho^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} \left[\frac{\rho^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}}{\sqrt{\rho^\lambda + d^2}} - 1 \right] d\rho$$

$$\Omega = -\frac{2}{\lambda + 2} \mathcal{N} \gamma d^{1 + \frac{2}{\lambda}} = -\frac{2}{\lambda + 2} \mathcal{N} \gamma^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}} \mu^{1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}}$$

$$\longrightarrow \rho = -\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mu} = \mathcal{N} d$$

Energy density

$$\epsilon = \Omega + \mu \rho = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + 2} \mathcal{N} \gamma d^{1 + \frac{2}{\lambda}}$$

Pressure

$$p = -\Omega = \frac{2}{\lambda} \epsilon$$

Speed of sound

$$u_s^2 = \frac{\partial p}{\partial \epsilon} \quad \longrightarrow$$

$$u_s = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{\lambda}}$$

Values of λ

SUSY intersections

$$(n | p \perp q) \text{ with } n = \frac{p+q-4}{2} \rightarrow \lambda = q - p + 2$$

- $Dp - D(p+4) \rightarrow (p | p \perp (p+4)) \rightarrow \lambda = 6$

Examples $D3 - D7, D2 - D6$

- $Dp - D(p+2) \rightarrow (p-1 | p \perp (p+2)) \rightarrow \lambda = 4$

Examples $D3 - D5, D4 - D6$

- $Dp - Dp \rightarrow (p-2 | p \perp p) \rightarrow \lambda = 2$

Example $D3 - D3$

Non-Susy examples

Model	λ	p	q	n
Sakai-Sugimoto D4-D8/ $\overline{\text{D8}}$	5	4	8	3
D3-D7'	4	3	7	2
D2-D8'	5	2	8	2

Notice that for $p = 3 \rightarrow \lambda = 2n$

Scaling behavior

Energy-radius relation $\mathcal{E} \sim \rho^{\frac{5-p}{2}}$

Energy rescaling

$$\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \Lambda \mathcal{E} \quad \rho \rightarrow \Lambda^{\Delta_\rho} \rho \quad \Delta_\rho = \frac{2}{5-p}$$

Density & magnetic field

$$d \rightarrow \Lambda^{\Delta_d} d \quad B \rightarrow \Lambda^{\Delta_B} B \quad \Delta_d = \frac{\lambda}{5-p} \quad \Delta_B = \frac{7-p}{5-p}$$

$\lambda \rightarrow$ related to the scaling dimension of d

$$p = 3 \rightarrow \lambda = 2n \quad \longrightarrow \quad \Delta_d = n \quad \Delta_B = 2 \quad \text{canonical dimensions}$$

SUSY intersections

$$\Delta_d^{SUSY} = \frac{q-p+2}{5-p} = \frac{2}{5-p} (n+3-p)$$

Excitations \longrightarrow Poles of the retarded Green's functions \longrightarrow
 quasinormal modes \longrightarrow density waves in the dual field theory

Perturb as $A_\nu = A_\nu^{(0)} + a_\nu(\rho, x^\mu)$

Define \mathcal{G} and \mathcal{J} as $(g^{(0)} + F^{(0)})^{-1} = \mathcal{G}^{-1} + \mathcal{J}$

$\mathcal{G} \rightarrow$ open string metric (symmetric part) $\mathcal{J} \rightarrow$ antisymmetric part

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} \sim \frac{\rho^\lambda + B^2 \rho^{\lambda+p-7}}{\sqrt{\rho^\lambda + B^2 \rho^{\lambda+p-7} + d^2}} \left(\mathcal{G}^{ac} \mathcal{G}^{bd} - \mathcal{J}^{ac} \mathcal{J}^{bd} + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{J}^{cd} \mathcal{J}^{ab} \right) f_{cd} f_{ab}$$

Take $a_\nu = a_\nu(\rho, t, x)$ and Fourier transform $a_\nu(\rho, t, x) = \int \frac{d\omega dk}{(2\pi)^2} a_\nu(\rho, \omega, k) e^{-i\omega t + ikx}$

Solve the equations with the conditions:

- In-falling boundary conditions at the horizon
- No sources at the UV boundary
- Low ω, k

For $T = 0, B = 0$ \longrightarrow Holographic zero sound

Take ω, k small and of the same order $\omega \sim \mathcal{O}(\epsilon), k \sim \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$

$$\omega(k) = \omega_R(k) - i\Gamma(k)$$

$\omega_R(k) \rightarrow$ real part

$\Gamma(k) \rightarrow$ attenuation (decay rate)

$$\omega_R = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{\lambda}} k$$

Same speed as the first sound

$$\Gamma = \frac{\pi}{2\mu} \frac{(5-p)^{\frac{p-3}{5-p}}}{\left[\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{5-p}\right)\right]^2} \left(\frac{2}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{7-p}{2(5-p)}} k^{\frac{7-p}{5-p}}$$

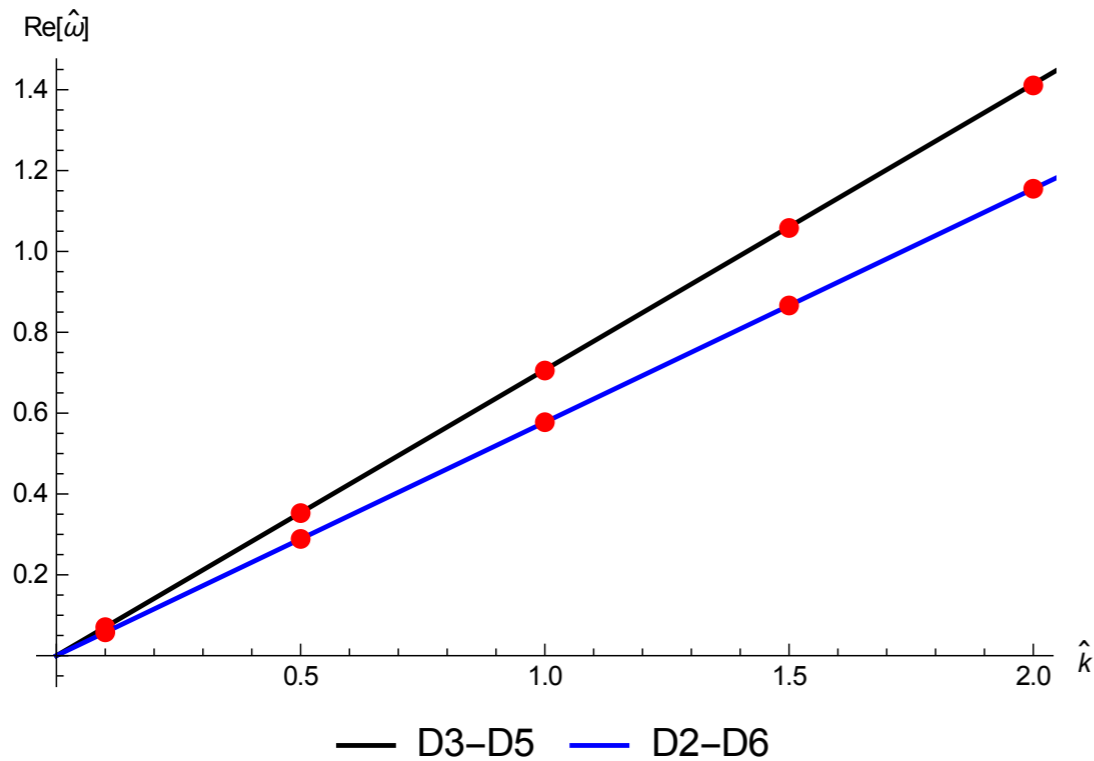
Zero sound for D3-D7 ($\lambda = 6, p = 3$) $\longrightarrow \omega = \pm \frac{k}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{i}{6} \frac{k^2}{\mu}$

Karch, Son, Starinets

Zero sound for D3-D5 ($\lambda = 4, p = 3$) $\longrightarrow \omega = \pm \frac{k}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{i}{4} \frac{k^2}{\mu}$

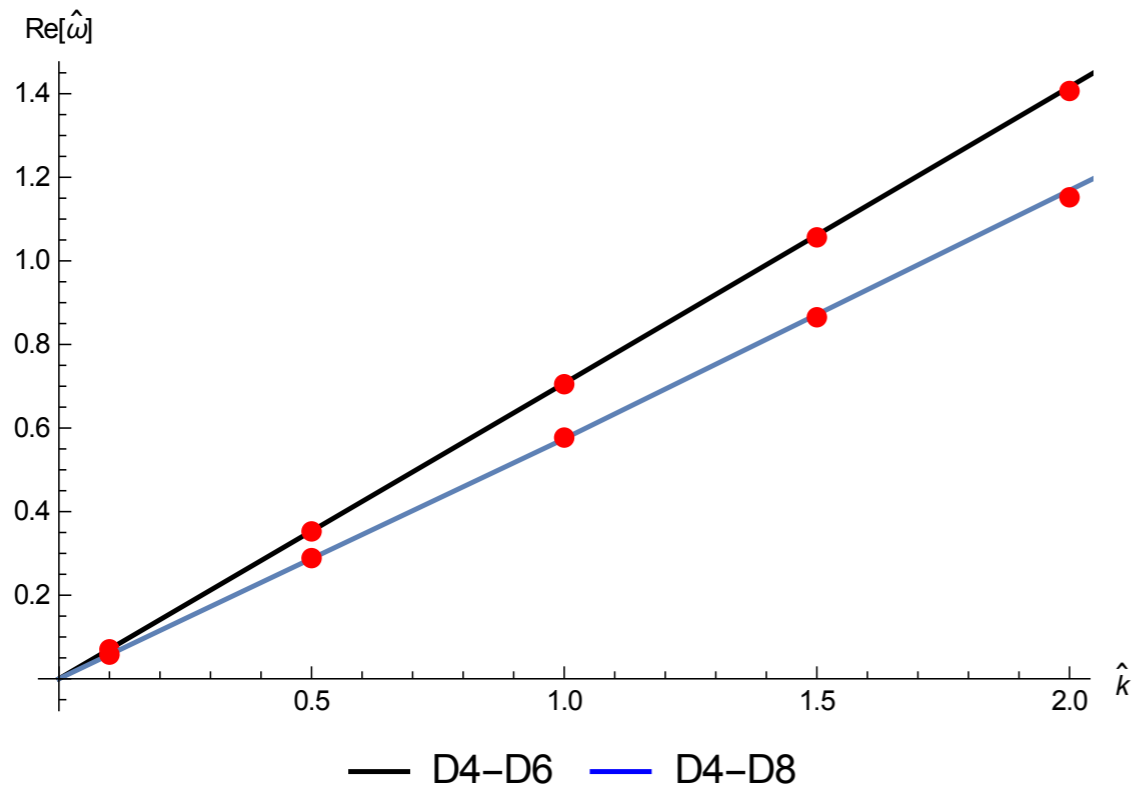
Different cases considered in Brattán et al., Kulaxizi & Parnachev, Goykhman et al, ...

Speed of zero sound for different λ and p



$$D3 - D5 \rightarrow p = 3, \lambda = 4$$

$$D2 - D6 \rightarrow p = 2, \lambda = 6$$



$$D4 - D6 \rightarrow p = 4, \lambda = 4$$

$$D4 - D8 \rightarrow p = 4, \lambda = 6$$

Same curves for the same λ

For $T \neq 0, B = 0$

Hydrodynamic charge
diffusion mode

Purely imaginary pole with $\omega \sim \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2), k \sim \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$

$$\omega = -i D k^2$$

Fick's law

$D \rightarrow$ diffusion constant

$$D = \frac{7-p}{2\pi(\lambda-2)} \frac{(1+\hat{d}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{T} F\left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{\lambda}; \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{\lambda}; -\hat{d}^2\right)$$

$$\hat{d} = \frac{d}{r_h^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}} = \left(\frac{7-p}{4\pi T}\right)^{\frac{\lambda}{5-p}} d$$

$$D \sim T^{-1}$$

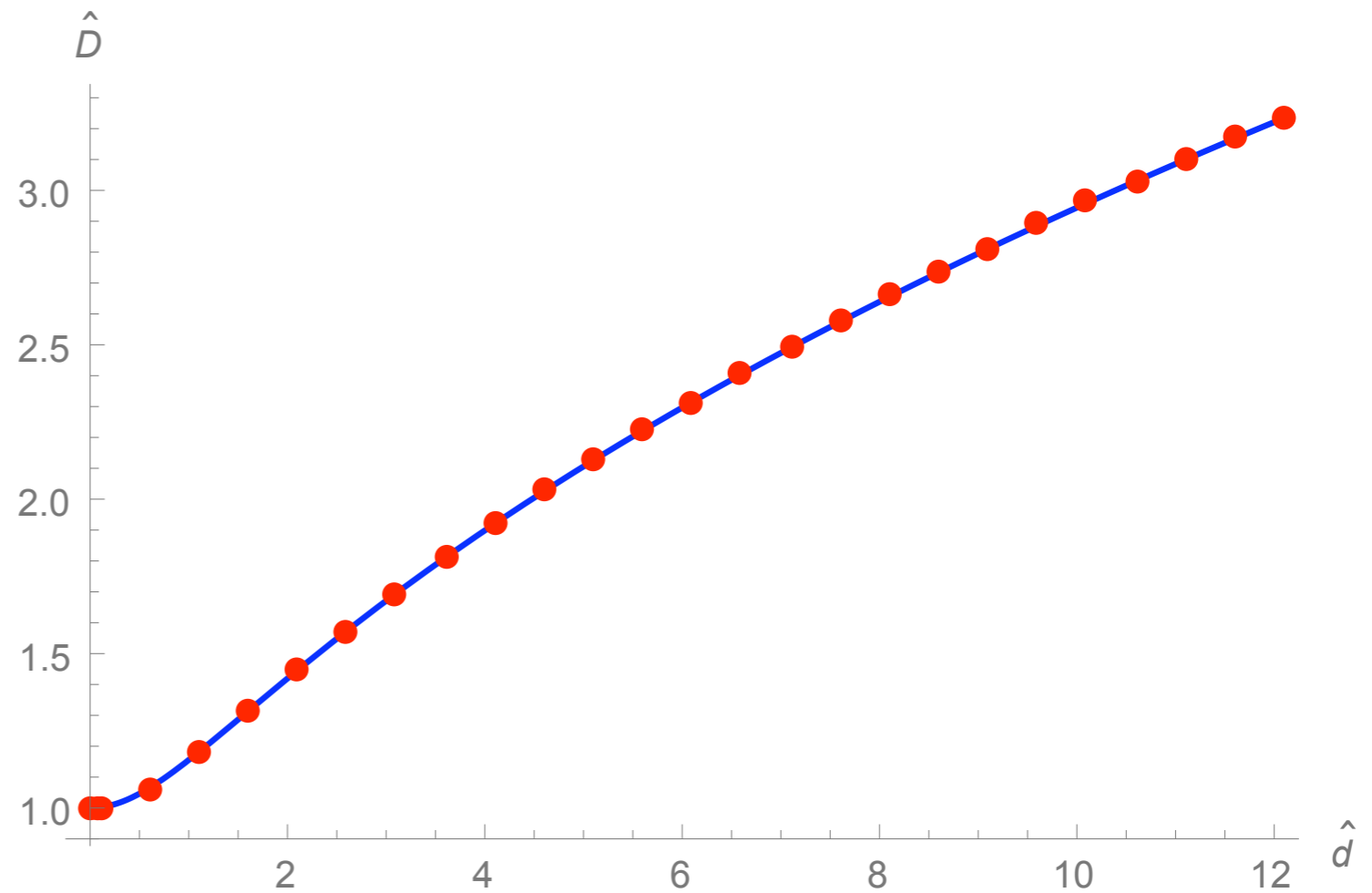
T large

$$D \sim T^{-\frac{7-p}{5-p}}$$

T small

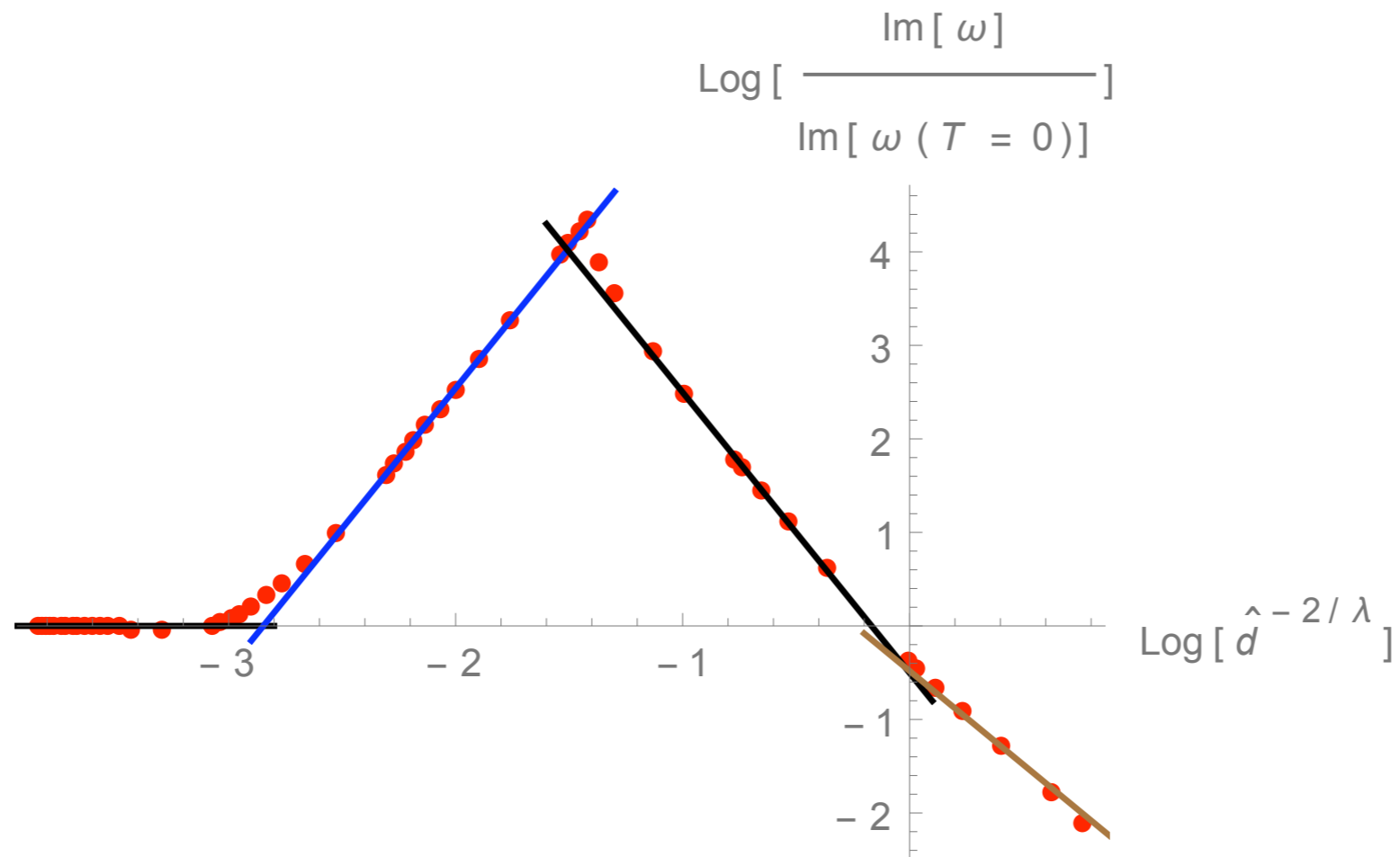
Diffusion constant for D2-D6

$$\hat{D} = r_h^{\frac{5-p}{2}} D = \frac{4\pi T}{7-p} D$$



$$\hat{d} = \frac{d}{r_h^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}} = \left(\frac{7-p}{4\pi T} \right)^{\frac{\lambda}{5-p}} d$$

Lowest excitations in D1-D5



Collisionless quantum regime



Hydrodynamic diffusive regime

$$\omega_{cr} \sim \frac{T^{\frac{7-p}{5-p}}}{\mu}$$

$$k_{cr} \sim \frac{T^{\frac{7-p}{5-p}}}{\mu}$$

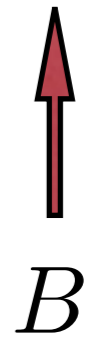
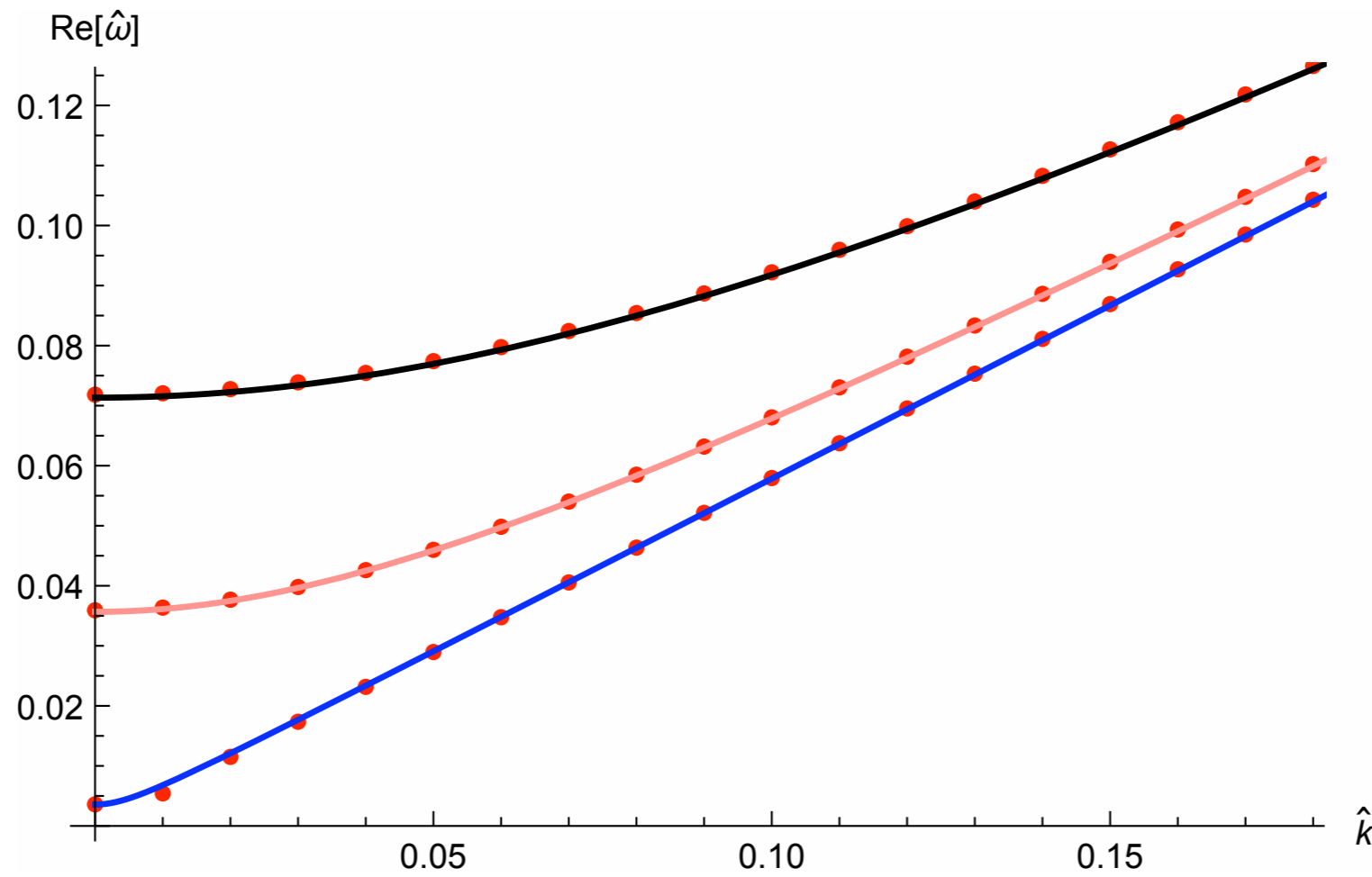
$T = 0$ and $B \neq 0$ \Rightarrow Zero sound with B field

Gapped dispersion relation

$$\omega_R = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{\lambda} k^2 + \frac{B^2}{\mu^2}}$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{\pi}{\mu} \frac{(5-p)^{\frac{p-3}{5-p}}}{\left[\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{5-p}\right)\right]^2} \left(\frac{2}{\lambda} k^2 + \frac{B^2}{\mu^2}\right)^{\frac{p-3}{2(5-p)}} \left[\frac{k^2}{\lambda} + \frac{B^2}{\mu^2}\right]$$

ω_R for D2-D6 with B field



Massive quarks in SUSY intersections

The speed&attenuation of the zero sound depends on the reduced mass \mathbf{m}



$$\mathbf{m} = \frac{m}{\mu}$$

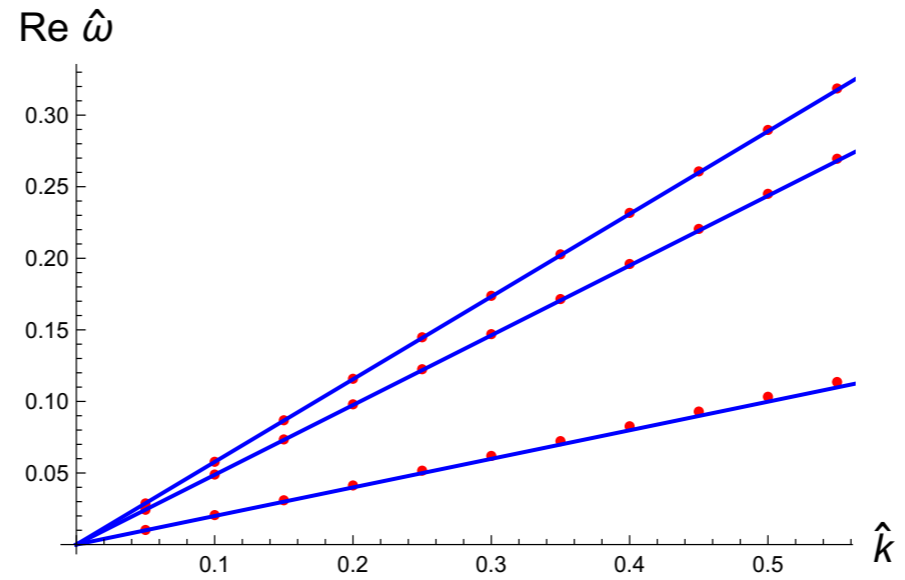
$$\omega_R^2 = \frac{2}{\lambda} \frac{1 - \mathbf{m}^2}{1 - \frac{2\mathbf{m}^2}{\lambda}} k^2$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{\pi}{2\mu} \frac{(5-p)^{\frac{p-3}{5-p}}}{\left[\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{5-p}\right)\right]^2} \left(\frac{2}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{7-p}{2(5-p)}} \frac{(1 - \mathbf{m}^2)^{\frac{6-p}{5-p} - \frac{1}{\lambda}}}{\left(1 - \frac{2\mathbf{m}^2}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{7-p}{2(5-p)} + 1}} k^{\frac{7-p}{5-p}}$$

Kulaxizi & Parnachev, Davison & Starinets

- Speed of the zero sound = speed of the first sound
- The speed of the zero-sound vanishes at $m = \mu$

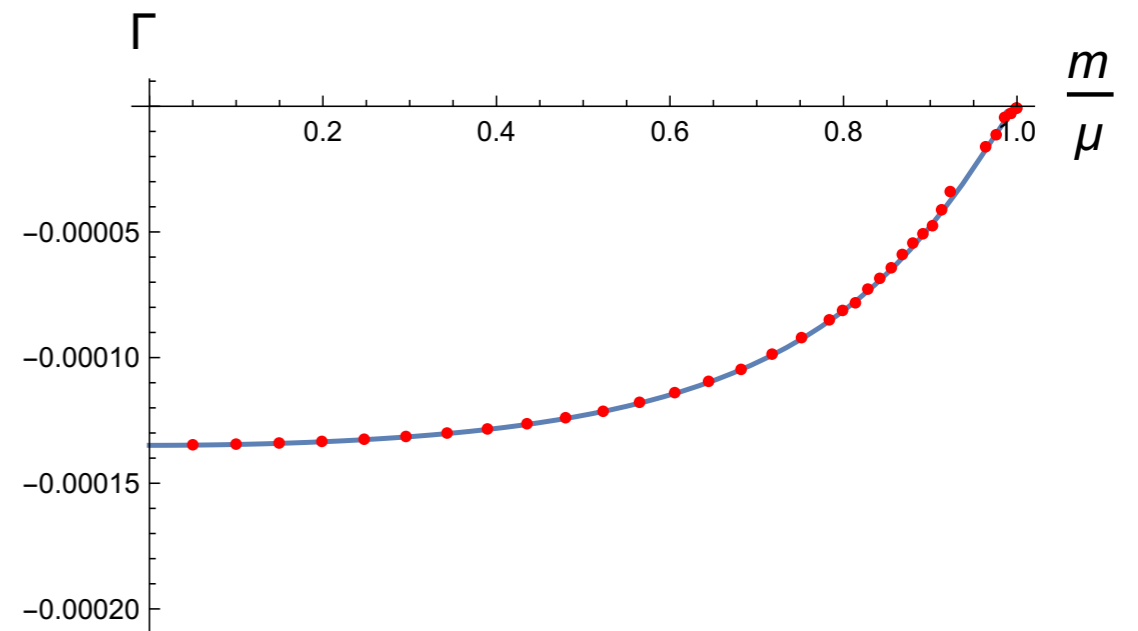
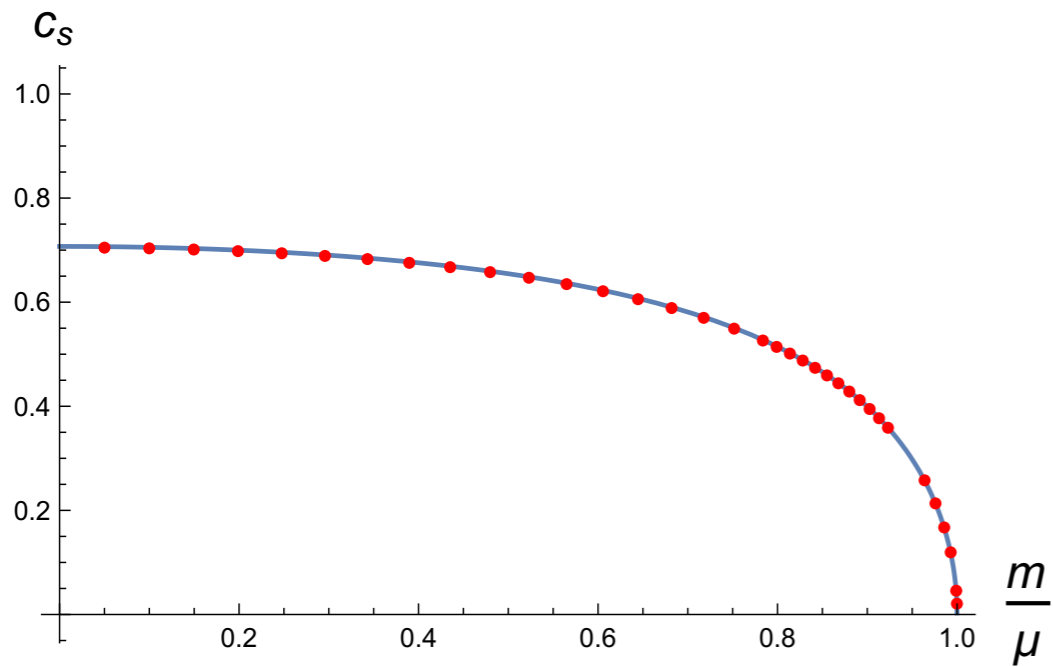
Dispersion relation for D3-D7



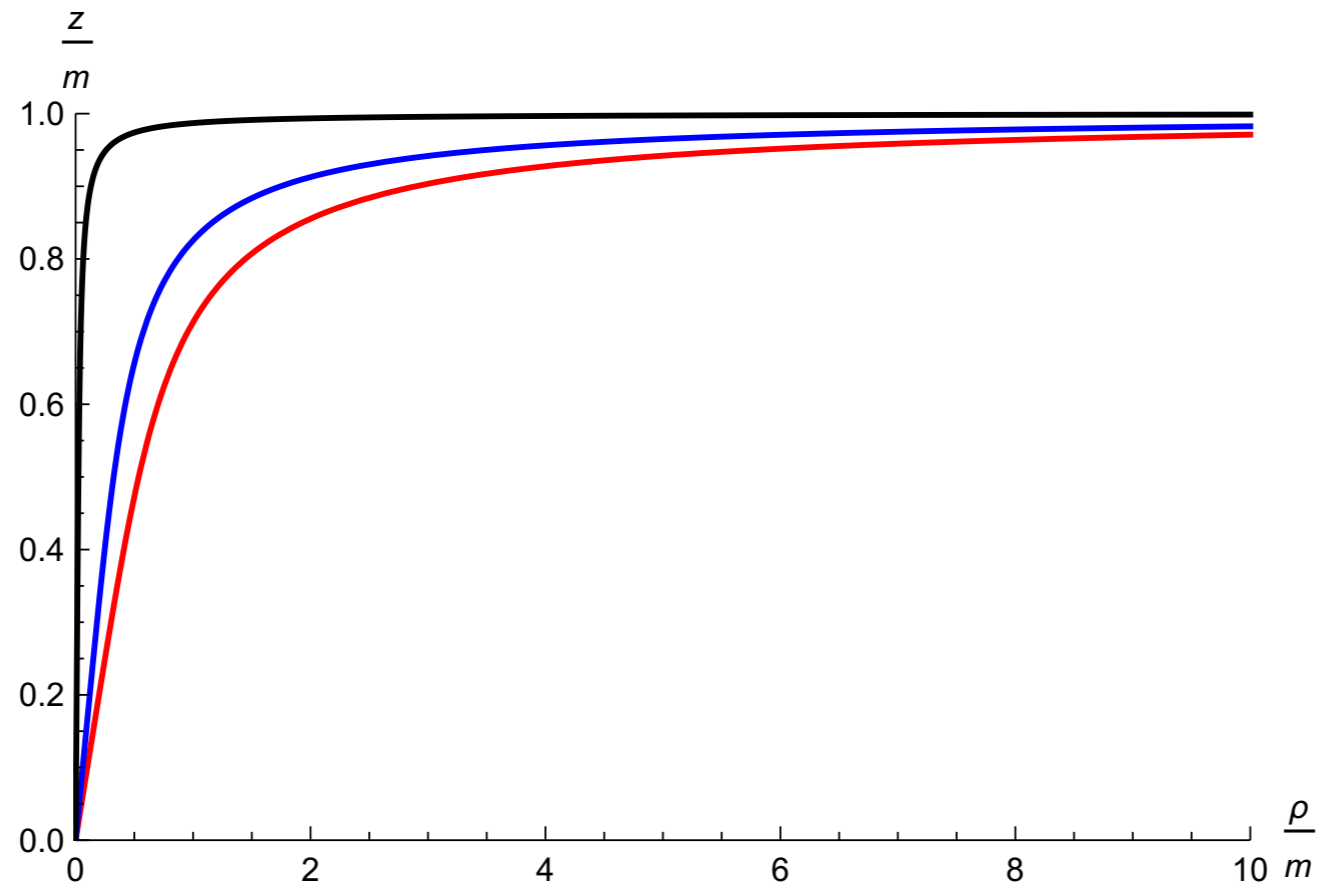
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Speed of sound & attenuation for D3-D5



Massive embeddings at different densities



$d \neq 0$ ($\mu > m$) \rightarrow black hole embedding

zero density limit ($m = \mu$) \rightarrow $z = m$ \rightarrow Minkowski embedding

There is a quantum phase transition when $m \rightarrow \mu$ (Ammon et al.)

Non-relativistic energy density \Rightarrow

$$e = \epsilon - d_{phys} m = \epsilon - \mathcal{N} d m$$

near the quantum critical point

$$e = \frac{n - \theta}{z} P$$

$z \rightarrow$ dynamical critical exponent

$\theta \rightarrow$ hyperscaling violating exponent

In our case near $m = \mu$

$$e = \frac{\lambda - 2}{4} P$$

Exponents \Rightarrow

$$z = 2 \quad \theta = p - 2$$

Non-relativistic free energy at $T \neq 0$

$$f_{non-rel}(\mu, m, T) = f(\mu, m, T) - d_{phys} m = e + \pi d_{phys} T + \mathcal{O}(T^2)$$

Near the critical point it should scale as

$$f_{non-rel} \sim (\bar{\mu})^{2-\alpha} g\left(\frac{T}{\bar{\mu}^{\nu z}}\right) \quad \bar{\mu} = \mu - m$$

For our system we get

$$\alpha = \frac{6 - \lambda}{4} = 1 - \frac{q - p}{4}$$

$$\nu = \frac{1}{2}$$

The exponents satisfy the hyperscaling violating relation

$$(n + z - \theta) \nu = 2 - \alpha$$

Anyonic excitations in 2+1 d

Anyons \Rightarrow Charges with a magnetic flux attached in 2+1 d

Fractional statistics by Aharonov-Bohm effect

Holographic realization

Alternative quantization with Dirichlet-Neumann b. c.

$n \rightarrow \text{constant}$

$$\lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} \left[n \rho^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} f_{\rho\mu} - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\alpha\beta} f^{\alpha\beta} \right] = 0$$

$$\lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} E = -i n \lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} \left[\rho^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} a'_y \right]$$

$$\lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} a_y = i \frac{n}{\omega^2 - k^2} \lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} \left[\rho^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} E' \right]$$

Zero sound spectrum

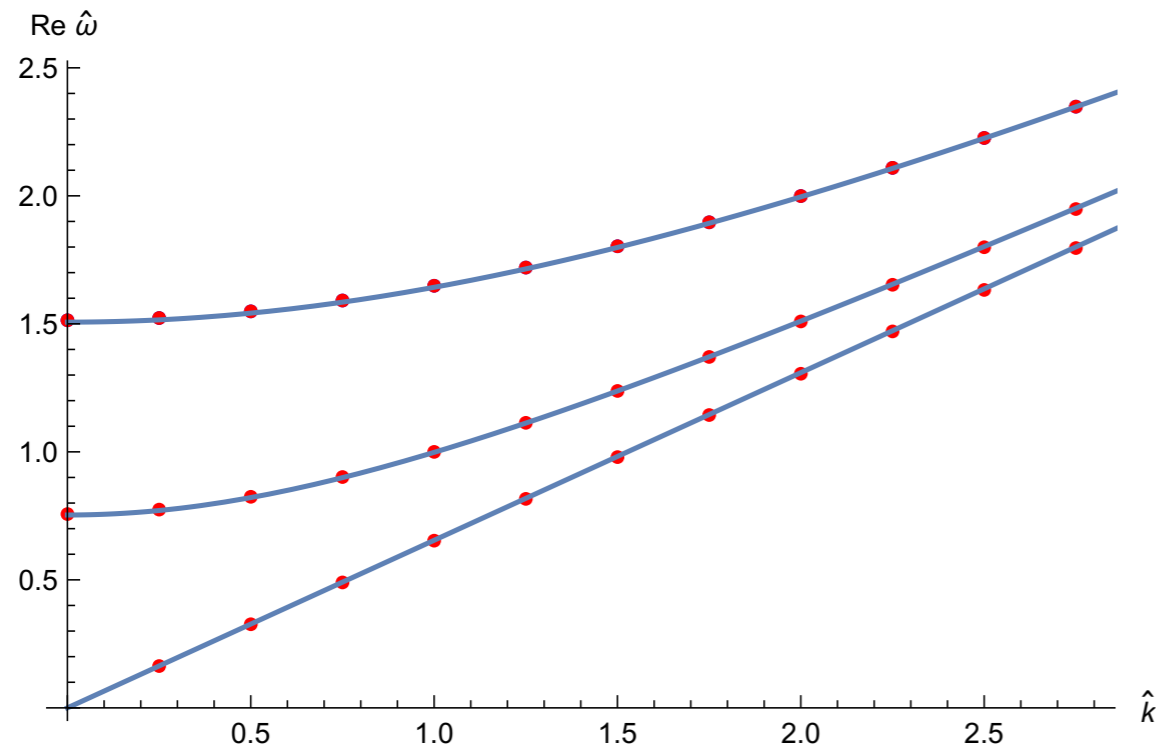
$$\omega_0^2 = 2 \frac{1 - m^2}{\lambda - 2m^2} k^2 + \frac{1}{\mu^2} (dn - B)^2$$

The alternative quantization is like an internal magnetic field

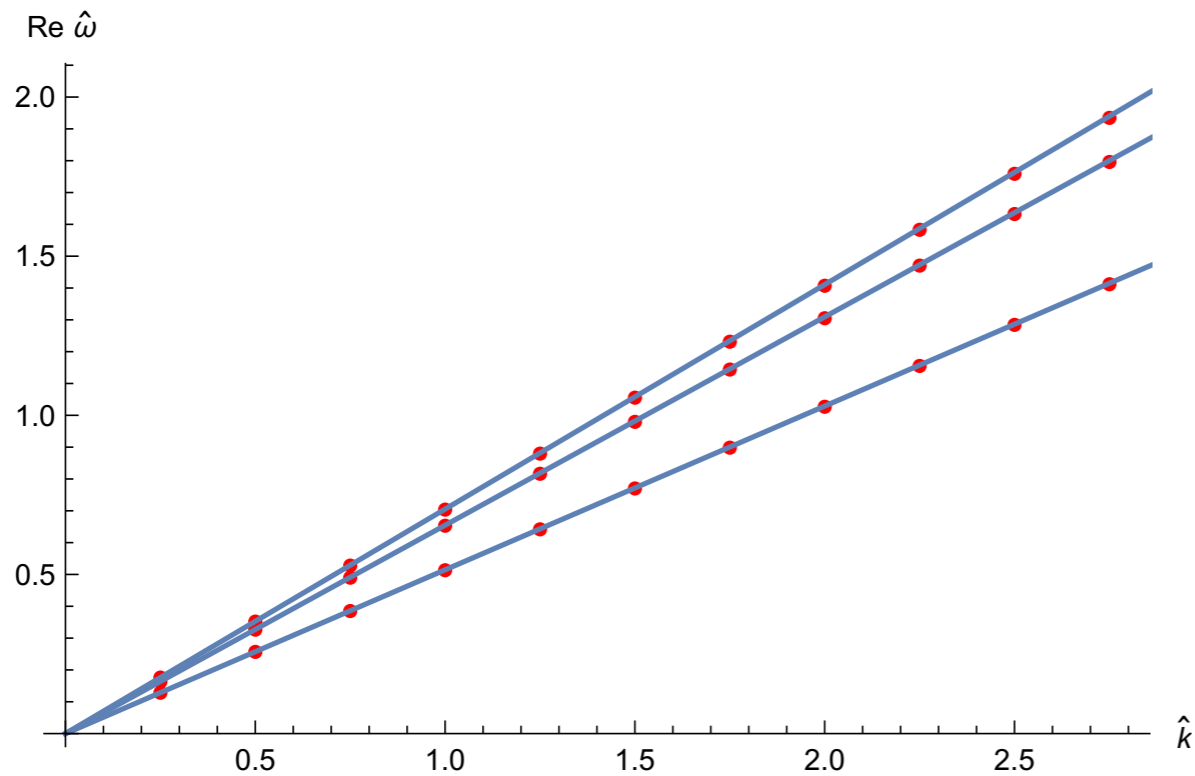
gappless spectrum \Rightarrow

$$n_{crit} \equiv \frac{B}{d}$$

Comparison with numerics for D3-D5



$$n = 0, \frac{1}{2}n_{crit}, n_{crit}$$



$$n = n_{crit}$$

$$\frac{m}{\mu} = 0.1, 0.5, 0.8$$

How universal are our results?



Let us consider cold flavors
in the ABJM model

ABJM

ABJM Field
Theory



Chern-Simons-matter theories in 2+1 dimensions
gauge group: $U(N)_k \times U(N)_{-k}$

The ABJM model has $\mathcal{N} = 6$ SUSY in 3d

It has two parameters

$N \rightarrow$ rank of the gauge groups

$k \rightarrow$ CS level ($1/k \sim$ gauge coupling)

't Hooft coupling $\lambda \sim \frac{N}{k}$

It is a CFT in 3d with very nice properties

It is the 3d analogue of N=4 SYM

Sugra description in type IIA

$AdS_4 \times CP^3 + \text{fluxes}$

$$ds^2 = L^2 ds_{AdS_4}^2 + 4 L^2 ds_{CP^3}^2$$

$$L^4 = 2\pi^2 \frac{N}{k}$$

$$F_2 = 2k J \quad F_4 = \frac{3\pi}{\sqrt{2}} (kN)^{\frac{1}{2}} \Omega_{AdS_4}$$

$$e^\phi = \frac{2L}{k} = 2\sqrt{\pi} \left(\frac{2N}{k^5} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

Effective description for $N^{\frac{1}{5}} \ll k \ll N$

Flavor branes

D6-branes extended in AdS_4 and wrapping $RP^3 \subset CP^3$

Hohenegger&Kirsch 0903.1730 Gaiotto&Jafferis 0903.2175

Worldvolume action of flavor D6-branes in ABJM

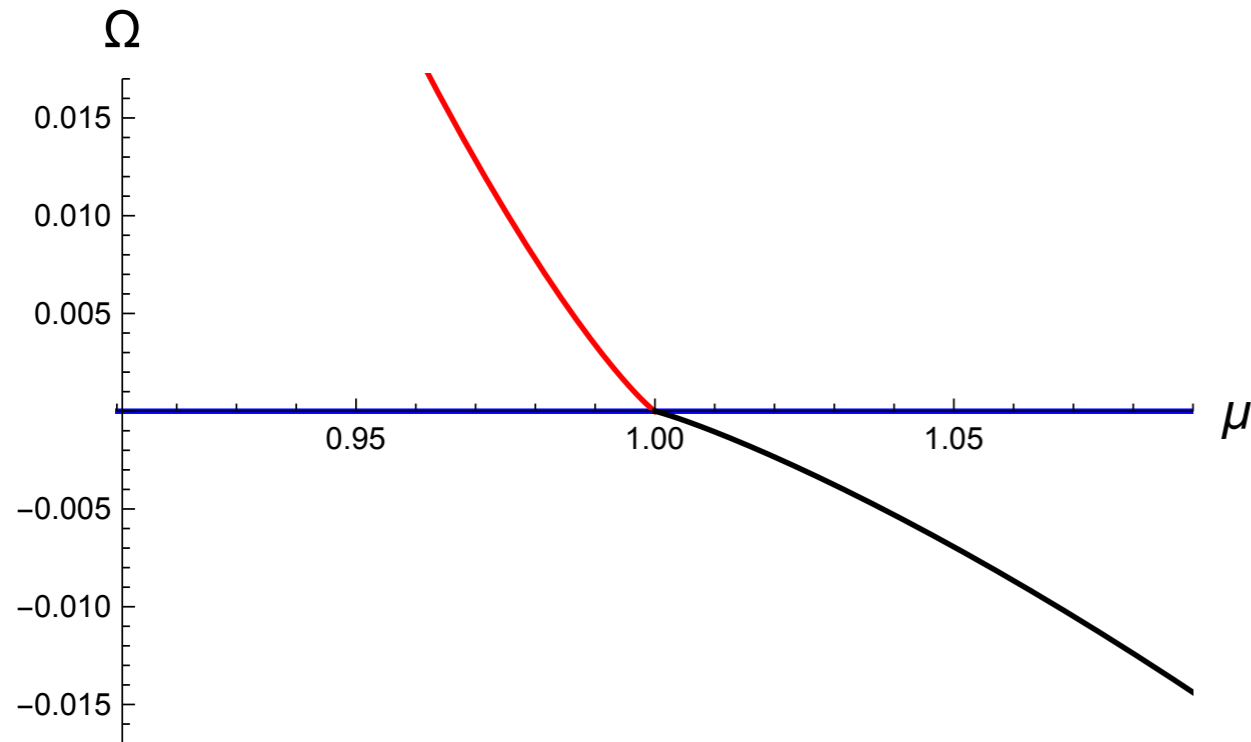
$$S = S_{DBI} + S_{WZ}$$

$$S_{DBI} = -T_{D6} \int_{\mathcal{M}_7} d^7 \zeta e^{-\phi} \sqrt{-\det(g + F)}$$

$$S_{WZ} = T_{D6} \int_{\mathcal{M}_7} \left(\hat{C}_7 + \hat{C}_5 \wedge F + \frac{1}{2} \hat{C}_3 \wedge F \wedge F + \frac{1}{6} \hat{C}_1 \wedge F \wedge F \wedge F \right)$$

Now the WZ term contributes and produces non-trivial effects when the quarks are massive

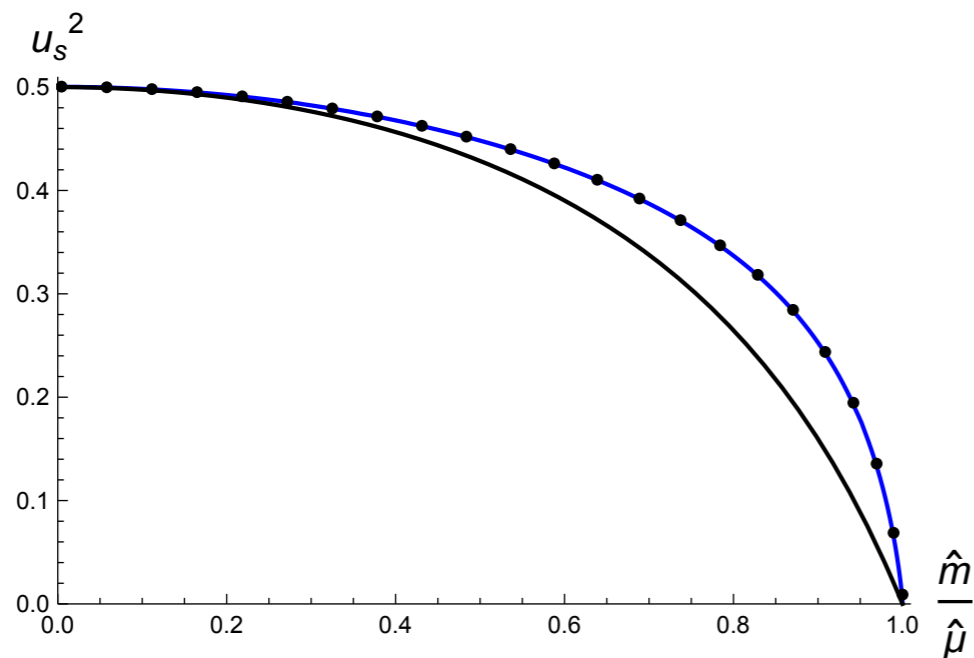
Grand canonical potential at $T=0$



- Black hole embedd.
- Minkowski embedd.
- Brane-antibrane embedd.

$$m = 1$$

Speed of first&zero sound



- D3-D5
- ABJM

Both curves are the same if $m = 0$
 They differ if $m > 0$

Quantum critical behavior

$$\bar{\mu} = \mu - m \quad \longrightarrow \quad \Omega \approx -C \bar{\mu}^{\frac{n+z-\theta}{z}} \left(\left| \log \frac{\bar{\mu}}{m} \right| \right)^{-\zeta} \quad \text{near } \bar{\mu} = 0$$

$$\zeta \rightarrow \text{new exponent} \quad n = 2 \text{ in ABJM}$$

Charge density near $\bar{\mu} = 0$

$$\rho_{ch} \approx C \bar{\mu}^{\frac{n-\theta}{z}} \left(\left| \log \frac{\bar{\mu}}{m} \right| \right)^{-\zeta} \left[1 + \frac{n-\theta}{z} + \frac{\zeta}{\left| \log \frac{\bar{\mu}}{m} \right|} \right]$$

e/P ratio

$$\frac{e}{P} \approx \frac{n-\theta}{z} + \frac{\zeta}{\left| \log \frac{\bar{\mu}}{m} \right|}$$

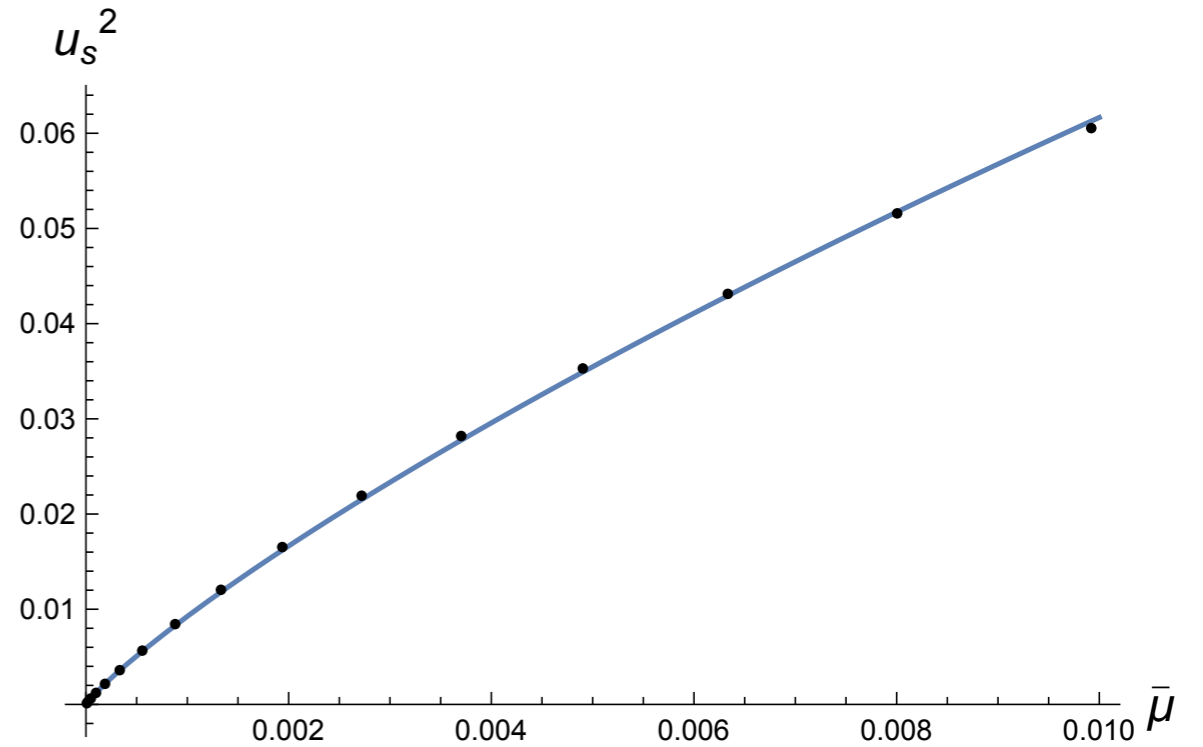
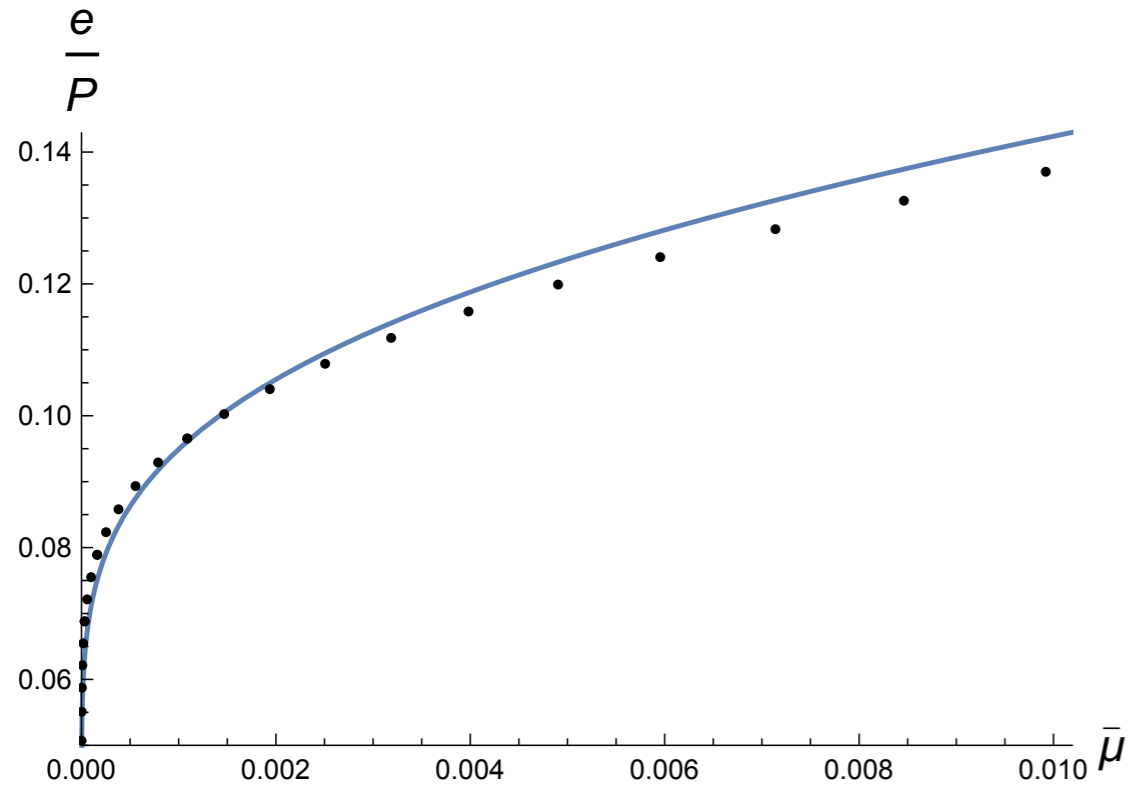
The numerical results show that $e/P \rightarrow 0$ near $\bar{\mu} = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \theta = n = 2$

$\zeta \neq 0$ since $\rho_{ch} = 0$ at the critical point

$$\rho_{ch} \approx \frac{C}{\left(\left| \log \frac{\bar{\mu}}{m} \right| \right)^\zeta}$$

$$\frac{e}{P} \approx \frac{\zeta}{\left| \log \frac{\bar{\mu}}{m} \right|}$$

$$u_s^2 \approx \frac{1}{\zeta} \frac{\bar{\mu}}{m} \left| \log \frac{\bar{\mu}}{m} \right|$$



$$\zeta = 0.65 - 0.75$$

Other critical exponents

$$z = 2$$

$$\alpha = 1$$

$$\nu = \frac{1}{2}$$

Including the backreaction

Consider ABJM+unquenched smeared flavors ($m=0$)



$AdS_4 \times (\text{squashed}) \mathbb{C}P^3$ (E. Conde, AVR)

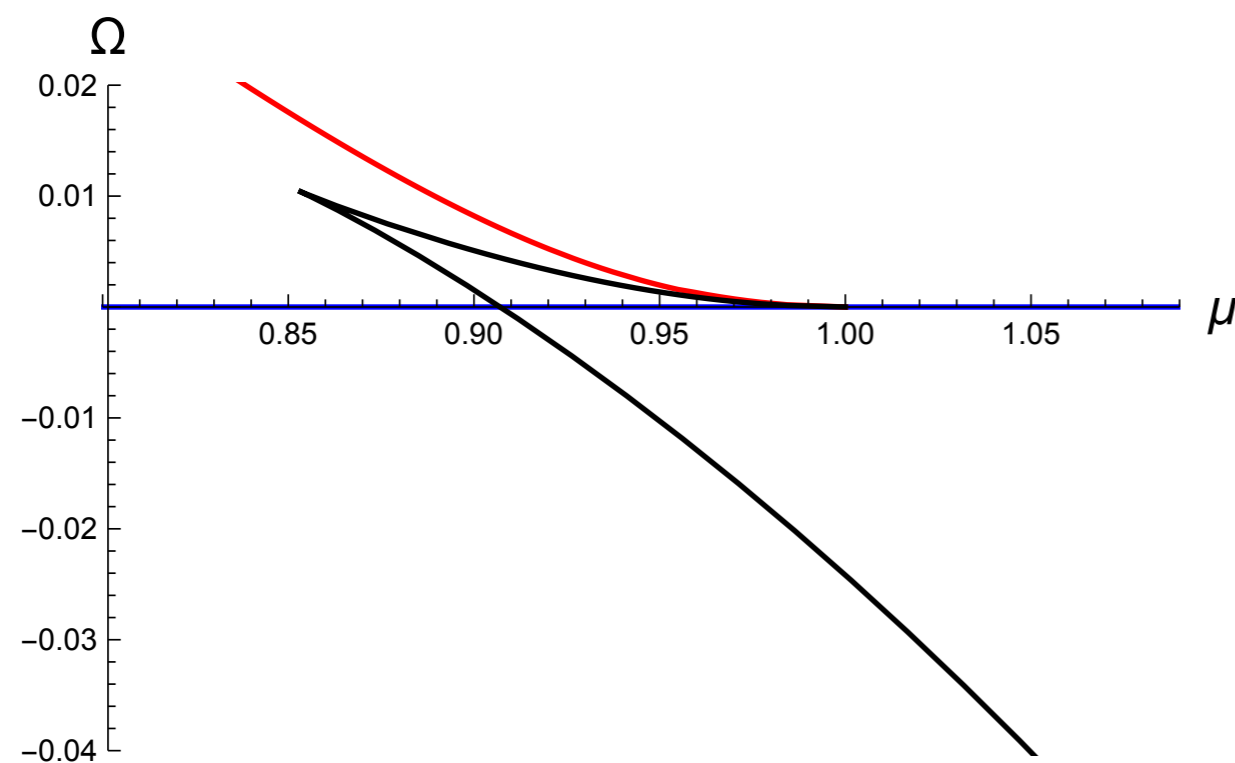
The backreaction is a very mild deformation which does not include the effects of the charge density

Drastic effects in the
BH-Mink. transition



- Occurs at non-zero density
- It is of first-order

Grand canonical potential with unquenched flavor

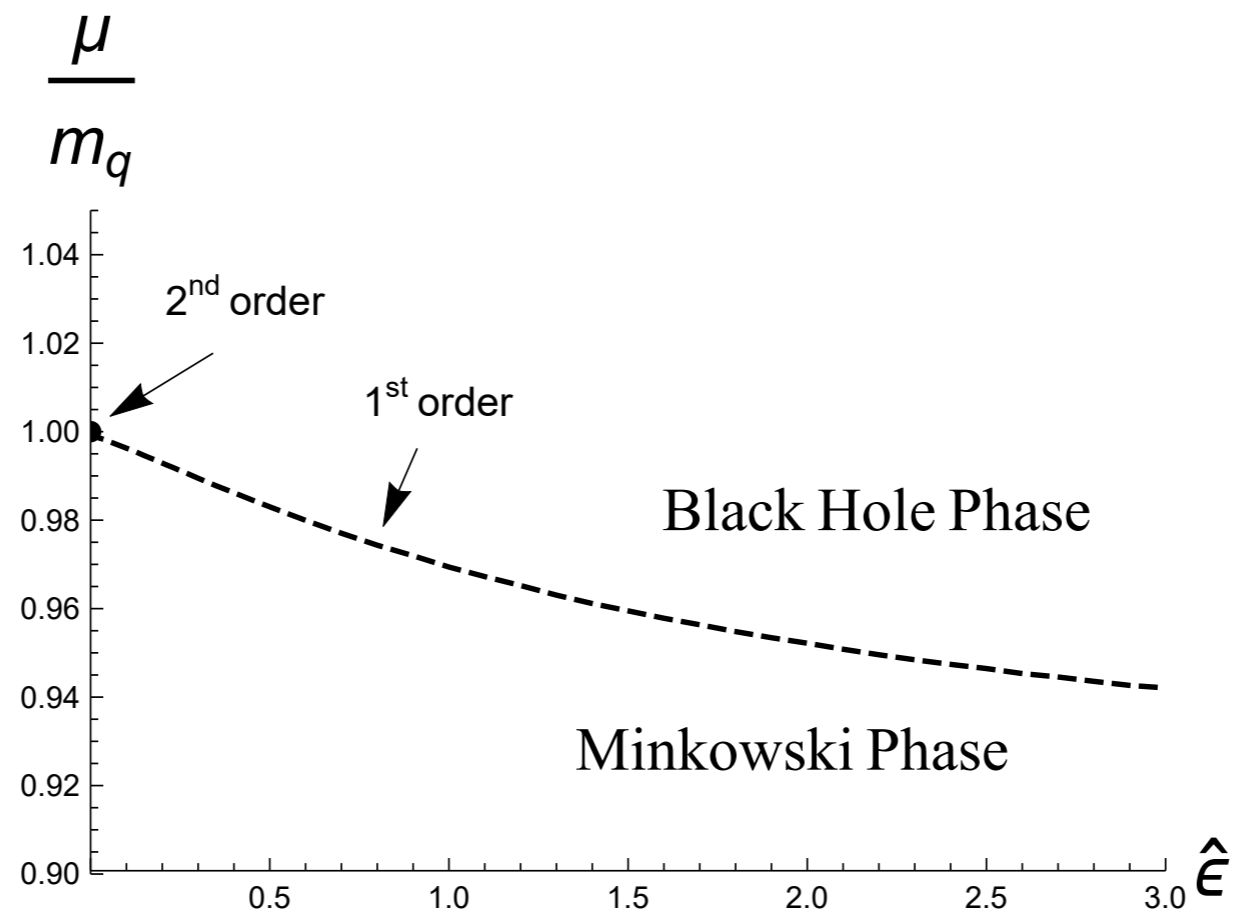


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$$m = 1$$

The transition occurs at $\mu < m_q$ with $\rho_{ch} \neq 0$


Phase diagram at $T \neq 0$



$$\hat{\epsilon} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{N_f}{N} \lambda$$

Collective excitations in other probe brane systems

- Higgs branch for D_p - $D_{(p+2)}$ intersections with flux
(G. Itsios, N. Jokela, AVR, 1505.02629)
- Anyons and magnetic fields in non-relativistic Lifshitz systems
(J. Järvelä, N. Jokela, AVR, 1605.09156)
- Anisotropic backgrounds
(in progress)
- Collective excitations with full backreaction at non-zero density



Thank You