

Nuclear Reactions

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III.1 Elementary Derivation of Vlasov Equation (see e.g. Bertsch)

We start with the Time-dependent HF fo	rmalism: $H = \sum_{i} T_i + \sum_{i} V_{ij}$			
Hamiltonian with two-body interactions	$ \Psi\rangle = A \prod a_i^+ 0\rangle$			
and look for solutions in Slater determinant form				
The central quantity is the 1-body densi	ty $\rho(1,2) = \langle \Psi \psi^+(1) \psi(2) \Psi \rangle = \sum_i \varphi_i^*(1) \varphi_i(2)$			
with $\psi_i^+(1)$ a field operator and the notation $1 \equiv \{r_{i,}s_1, \tau_i\}$ in coordinate or $1 \equiv \{p_{i,}s_1, \tau_i\}$ momentum repres.				
The eom for the density matix is the TDHF equation $\begin{bmatrix} \partial t \\ \partial t \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{i} \{II, p\}_{i,2} \end{bmatrix} U(1,2)$				
Where the s.p. HF hamiltonian is	$h(1,2) = T(1,2) + \sum_{3,4} (V_{13,24} - V_{14,23}) \rho_{3,4}$			
Now one performs a Wigner transform	$f(r,p) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int ds e^{-ips} \left\langle \psi(r+\frac{s}{2}) \psi^+(r-\frac{s}{2}) \right\rangle$			
of the 1-body density matrix	$= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d\boldsymbol{q} \boldsymbol{e}^{+i\boldsymbol{q}\boldsymbol{r}} \left\langle \psi(\boldsymbol{p} + \frac{q}{2}) \psi^+(\boldsymbol{p} - \frac{q}{2}) \right\rangle$			
which is a Fourier transform w.r.t to the difference in coord. resp. mom. space.				
It has the variables of a phase space distribution, $\int f(r,p)dp = \rho(r); \int f(r,p)dr = \tilde{\rho}(p)$				
and in fact, integrals over <i>r</i> and <i>p</i> give the density and momentum distribution.				
But it is a quantum object, and not positive definite!				
On the next page we see that the EOM for <i>f</i> obeys the Vlasov equation!				

II.2 Derivation of Vlasov Equation (2) $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\rho(1,2) = \frac{1}{i} \{h,\rho\}_{1,2} \qquad h(1,2) = T(1,2) + \sum_{3,4} (V_{13,24} - V_{14,23}) \rho_{3,4}$ TDHF: Wigner transform of s.p. density $f(r,p) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int ds \, e^{-ips} \left\langle \psi(r+\frac{s}{2}) \psi^+(r-\frac{s}{2}) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int ds \, e^{-ips} \, \rho(r+\frac{s}{2},r-\frac{s}{2})$ form time derivative of Wigner transform and use TDHF to express $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}$. The kinetic term gives easily $-\frac{p}{m}\nabla_r f(p,r)$ The potential term for a local potential in coord. space $U(r,r') = \delta(r-r')U(r)$ gives $\frac{1}{i}\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3}\int ds \ e^{-ips}\left(\underbrace{U(r+\frac{s}{2})-U(r-\frac{s}{2})}_{p}\right)\rho(r+\frac{s}{2},r-\frac{s}{2})=\nabla_r U \nabla_p f+\ldots=2\sin\frac{\nabla_r^{(U)}\nabla_p^{(f)}}{2}Uf$ expand $U(r) + \frac{1}{2} s \nabla_r U(r) + \dots$ Collect in first order: $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{p}{m} \nabla_r f - \nabla_r U(r) \nabla_p f(r, p) = 0$ Vlasov equation

Remarks:

- 1st order gradient expansion gives a classical equation, since lhs already contained a term $\sim O(\hbar)$
- collision term has to be added "by hand" as before
- quantum statistics only contained in initial condition, but is preserved by the evolution (for Vlasov-> Liouville theorem; for coll. term explicitly via blocking terms)

III.3 Remarks on the BUU Equation: Momentum Dependence

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{p}}{m} \vec{\nabla}^{(r)} f - \vec{\nabla} U(r) \vec{\nabla}^{(p)} f(\vec{r}, \vec{p}; t) = \int d\vec{v}_2 \, d\vec{v}_1 \, d\vec{v}_2 \, v_{21} \, \sigma_{12}(\Omega) (2\pi)^3 \left[f_{1'} \, f_{2'} \, \bar{f}_1 \, \bar{f}_2 - f_1 \, f_2 \, \bar{f}_{1'} \, \bar{f}_{2'} \right]$$

Momentum dependence

the mean field is energy dependent for positive energies

 \rightarrow known from the energy dependence of the real part of the optical potential, effect of exchange and correlations (above we assumed U local, i.e. momentum independent.

More generally introduce $U(\rho,p)$.

In the above derivation this introduces a momentum dependent term on lhs.

 $\nabla_p \boldsymbol{U} \nabla_r \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{r}, \boldsymbol{p})$

choice of U(p,p) later!



III.4 Remarks on the BUU Equation: Relaxation time approximation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{p}}{m} \vec{\nabla}^{(r)} f - \vec{\nabla} U(r) \vec{\nabla}^{(p)} f(\vec{r}, \vec{p}; t) = \int d\vec{v}_2 \, d\vec{v}_1 \, d\vec{v}_2 \, v_{21} \sigma_{12}(\Omega) (2\pi)^3 \left[f_{1'} f_{2'} \, \bar{f}_1 \, \bar{f}_2 - f_1 \, f_2 \, \bar{f}_{1'} \, \bar{f}_{2'} \right]$$

1. Relaxation time approximation:

Write collision term in terms of in- and out-scattering transition rates

$$:= (1 - f) \frac{1}{2} w^{+} - f \frac{1}{2} w^{-};$$

$$:= -\frac{1}{2} w^{tot} (f - f_{w}); \quad w^{tot} = w^{+} + w^{-}; \quad f_{w} = \frac{w^{+}}{w^{tot}}$$

$$:= -\frac{f - f_{w}}{\tau}; \quad \tau = \frac{2}{w^{tot}}$$

i..e. the distribution approaches the distribution f_w with a relaxation time, which is given by the total rate, ten sum of in- and out-transition rates (which, however, is not constant!)

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To take it as a constant is an approximation to the BUU eq. in the neighborhood of thermal equilibrium. In thermal equilibrium the solution (without potential) are the Fermion/Bose occupation probabilities

$$f_o(p) = 1/(1 \pm \exp(\frac{E-\mu}{T}))$$

Relativistic transport formulation

1. Traditionally nuclear physics formulated in the Hamiltonian formalism, i.e. non-relativistically.

simple reason ε_{F} ~35 MeV << mc²~1000MeV

- 2. About 20 years ago, starting with Walecka, a relativistic formulation has been employed. I will very briefly explain this to set the context, but it would really require another complete lecture.
- 3. From this, just like before, we can then derive a relativistic transport equation, which displays some new features.
- 4. All this has to be very brief

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III.4

"Quantenhadrodynamics"

Non-relativistic: Hamiltonian,
$$H = \sum_{i} T_{i} + \sum_{i < j} V_{ij}$$
, V_{ij} NN-interaction
Relativistic (field theoretical): Lagrangian
 ψ : Fermions: nucleon, Δ , N^{*},...
 ϕ : Bosons: mesons $\sigma, \omega, \rho, ...$
 $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi_{i}} - \frac{d}{dx_{\mu}} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mu \phi_{i,}} = 0$
Simplest (Walecka) model:
 $L = \overline{\Psi} \left[\gamma_{\mu} \left(i\partial^{\mu} - g_{\omega} \omega^{\mu} \right) - \left(\underbrace{m}_{-} \overline{g}_{\sigma} \sigma \right) \right] \Psi + L^{mes}$
minimal coupling
 $m^{*}(Dirac)$ effective mass
 $L^{mes} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\partial^{\mu} \sigma \partial_{\mu} \sigma - m_{\sigma}^{2} \sigma^{2} \right) - \frac{1}{4} F^{\omega}{}_{\mu\nu} F^{\omega\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m_{\omega}^{2} \omega_{\mu} \omega^{\mu}$

In the static limit the minimal coupling assumption corresponds to Yukawa forces, suggested long ago by Yukawa, and successful phenomenologically

$$V_{NN} = -\frac{g_{\sigma}}{4\pi} \frac{e^{-m_{\sigma}r}}{r} + \frac{g_{\omega}}{4\pi} \frac{e^{-m_{\omega}r}}{r}$$

attractive repulsive

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III.6 Semiclassical approximation: Relativistic Mean Field (RMF)

Semiclassical approximation: meson (Boson) fields are taken as classical.

The field eqs. are then: $\begin{bmatrix} \gamma_{\mu} (i\partial_{\mu} - g_{\omega}\omega_{\mu}) - (m - g_{\sigma})]\psi = 0 \\
(\partial_{\mu}\partial^{\mu} + m_{\sigma}^{2})\sigma = g_{\sigma} \langle \overline{\psi}\psi \rangle = g_{\sigma} \rho_{s} \quad \text{scalar source} \\
\partial_{\mu}F^{\mu\nu} + m_{\omega}^{2} = g_{\omega} \langle \overline{\psi}\gamma^{\nu}\psi \rangle = g_{\omega} j^{\nu} \quad \text{vector source}$

In static, homogenious nuclear matter we obtain

shifted "free" Dirac eq. with

effective momentum with vector self energy

effective mass with scalar self energy

$$(\gamma_{\mu} \boldsymbol{p}^{*\mu} + \boldsymbol{m}^{*})\boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{0};$$
$$\boldsymbol{p}^{*\mu} = \boldsymbol{p}^{\mu} - \frac{g_{\omega}}{m_{\omega}^{2}} \rho_{0} \delta_{\mu 0} = \boldsymbol{p}^{\mu} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{\mu}$$
$$\boldsymbol{m}^{*} = \boldsymbol{m} - \frac{g_{\sigma}}{m_{\sigma}^{2}} \rho_{s} = \boldsymbol{m} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{s}$$

Fitting to saturation density and energy gives $\Sigma_{s} \sim -400 \text{ MeV}, \Sigma_{0} \sim 300 \text{ MeV}, \text{ and } \text{,} \text{Schrödinger-equivalent}^{*}$ potential $U^{SEQ} = -\Sigma_{s} + \frac{E}{m} \Sigma_{0} + \frac{(\Sigma_{s} - \Sigma_{0})^{2}}{2m}$ and Spin-orbit potential $V_{so} = \frac{1}{2m^{\star}} \frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} (\Sigma_{s} + \Sigma_{0}) \ell \cdot s$ explains weak and energy dependent central and strong spin-orbit interaction in nuclear systems; a major problem in the development of the nuclear shell model

Quantenhadrodynamics: Extensions

σω-model: however, not sufficient for nuclear matter properties: compressibility, effective mass, asymmetry dependence. Various extensions have been proposed

$$L = \overline{\Psi} \begin{bmatrix} i\gamma_{\mu} & \partial^{\mu} + ig_{\omega} & \omega^{\mu} + ig_{\rho} \frac{\vec{\tau}}{2} \vec{b}^{\mu} \\ \text{isovector mesons symmetry energy} \\ \text{non-linear meson self-interactions} \\ L^{mes} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial^{\mu} \sigma \partial_{\mu} \sigma - m_{\sigma}^{2} \sigma^{2}) - \frac{b_{3}}{3} \sigma^{3} - \frac{b_{4}}{4} \sigma^{4} \\ \text{density dependent coupling vertices} \\ \frac{f_{\omega}(\hat{\rho})}{f_{\omega}(\hat{\rho})} \\ \frac{f_{\omega}(\hat{\rho})}{$$

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Representative Results of RMF Models

RMF model well adjusted to properties of nuclear matter, finite nuclei and neutron stars; here some representative results for the density dependent (DD)approach: S. Typel, et al.

binding energies



Spin-orbit splitting



Masses of neutron stars (NS):

The mass of a NS is determined by integrating the eq. for hydrostatic equil. in a gravitational field (Tolman-Oppenheimer eq.) outwards from a central censity until the pressure equals to zero. The mass of a NS for a given EOS has to be equal or heavier than the heaviest NS's observed. Most NS have masses of 1 to 1.4 solar masses.

In the figure shows results of this relationship for various nuclear EOS's, among them also RMF models (NLp δ ,DD,D³C,DDF)

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Relativistic BUU Equation

Derived in a similar way, as for Schrödinger approach (using the (σ, ω) model for simplicity):

starting from one-body density

$$\rho_{\beta\alpha} = \left\langle \overline{\psi_{\beta}}(r_1) \psi_{\alpha}(r_2) \right\rangle; \alpha, \beta \text{ spinor indices}$$

Wigner Transform of the one-body density; i.e. Fourier transform with respect to the relative coordinate ("fast")

$$F_{\beta\alpha}(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int \mathbf{d}^4 \mathbf{s} \, \mathbf{e}^{-i\mathbf{p}_{\mu}\mathbf{s}^{\mu}} \left\langle \psi_{\beta}(\mathbf{r}+\frac{\mathbf{s}}{2}) \, \overline{\psi}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}-\frac{\mathbf{s}}{2}) \right\rangle$$
$$\mathbf{r} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{r}_1 + \mathbf{r}_2); \quad \mathbf{s} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2)$$

Contains all one-body information, i.e. for 1-body operator O $\langle O \rangle = \int d^4 x \, d^4 p \, Tr(OF)$

Derive equations of motion for $F_{\beta\alpha}$: Using the Dirac eq.; one obtains expressions like

$$e^{-\frac{i}{2}\hbar\partial_{\mu}^{(r;\Sigma)}\partial^{(p;F)\mu}} \Sigma(r)F(r,p) \approx 1 - \frac{i}{2}\hbar\partial_{\mu}^{(r)}\Sigma(r)\partial^{(p)\mu}F(r,p)$$

which are evaluated in the semiclassical (gradient) approximation as before (assumption of smooth fields "slow")

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Relativistic BUU Equation (2)

Equations of motion in semiclass. approx. separated into real and imag. parts yield two equations:

1. Mass shell constraint:

$$(p^{*2} - m^{*2})F(r,p) = 0$$

 $(r;p^*) \rightarrow (\vec{r},t;\vec{p}^*); \quad p^{*}_{0} = \sqrt{\vec{p}^{*2} + m^{*2}}$

reduces phase space from 8- to 7-dimensional, time evolution interpretation

- 2. Kinetic transport) equation
 - a. Decomposition of F(x,p) in Lorentz invariants:

 $F(r,p) = F_{s} \otimes 1 + V_{\mu} \otimes \gamma^{\mu} + \underbrace{T_{\mu\nu} \otimes \sigma^{\mu\nu}}_{nealect} + \underbrace{T_{\mu\nu} \otimes \sigma^{\mu\nu}}_{nea$

+
$$\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{3}A_{\mu}+\gamma^{3}$$

zero for spin-saturrat.systems

b. relation between the components

$$F_{s} = m^{*}f(r, p^{*}); V_{\mu} = p_{\mu}^{*}f(r, p^{*})$$

c. Transport (rel. Vlasov) equation:

$$\boldsymbol{m}^{*} = \boldsymbol{m} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{s}; \qquad \boldsymbol{F}^{\mu\nu} = \partial^{\mu}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{\nu} - \partial^{\nu}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{\mu}$$
$$\boldsymbol{p}_{\mu}^{*} = \boldsymbol{p}_{\mu} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mu}$$

$$\left[\boldsymbol{p}^{*\mu}\partial_{\mu}^{(r)}+(\boldsymbol{p}^{*}_{\nu}\boldsymbol{F}^{\mu\nu}+\boldsymbol{m}^{*}\partial_{(r)}^{\mu}\boldsymbol{m}^{*})\partial_{\mu}^{(\boldsymbol{p}^{*})}\right]\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{r},\boldsymbol{p}^{*})=\boldsymbol{I}_{coll}$$

d. collision term added

$$I_{coll} = \int \frac{d^3 p_2}{p_{20}^*} \frac{d^3 p_3}{p_{30}^*} \frac{d^3 p_4}{p_{40}^*} (p^* + p_2^*)^2 \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \delta(p^* + p_2^* - p_3^* - p_f^*) [f_3 f_4 \overline{ff_2} - ff_2 \overline{f_3} \overline{f_4}]$$

3. New Feature: two potentials: scalar vector → mom.dep. mean field, "Lorentz- like" forces

IV.1

Quantum Transport Theory

We had derived the BUU transport eq.

 $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{p}}{m} \vec{\nabla}^{(r)} f - \vec{\nabla} U(r) \vec{\nabla}^{(p)} f(\vec{r}, \vec{p}; t) = \int d\vec{v}_2 \, d\vec{v}_1 \, d\vec{v}_2 \, v_{21} \sigma_{12}(\Omega) (2\pi)^3 \left[f_1 \, f_2 \, \bar{f}_1 \, \bar{f}_2 - f_1 \, f_2 \, \bar{f}_1 \, \bar{f}_2 \right]$

or its relativistic variant.

Open questions:

- \rightarrow How can the collision term be derived, instead of intuitively written down.
- \rightarrow What is the deeper relationship between mf and cross section

 \rightarrow how does one describe transport of particles with finite width (unstabe particles)

Use a many-body approach which takes into account the non-equilibrium situation (Kadanoff-Baym eqs.)

Here only a sketch of the essential ingredients. More in the following refs.
L.P.Kadanoff, G. Baym, Quantum statistical mechanics, 1965
P. Danielewicz, Ann. Phys. 152, 239 (1984)
W. Botermans, R. Malfliet, Phys. Rep. 198 (1990) 115
P. Danielewicz, development of lattice methods (Trento, 2009)

or in a lecture by S. Leupold (Giessen)(in the materials on the website).

Non-equilibrium Transport

Hierarchy of n-body Green functions (Martin-Schwinger hierarchy)

$$\underbrace{(i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - m)}_{D(1)}G^{(1)}(1,2) = \delta(1-1') + (12|V|1'2')G^{(2)}(12,1'2') = \delta(1-1') + \Sigma(1,1'')G^{(1)}(1'',2)$$

decouple formally via the self energy Σ , or practically an approximation to it, in particular, in Brueckner theory (BHF)

In non-equilibrium there are two independent 1-body Green functions (GF), since the propagation forward and backward in time is different. Often one uses the correlation GFs G[>] and G[<], and a variety of derived GF and self energies.

 $G^{<}(1,2) = i \langle \overline{\psi}(1)\psi(2) \rangle \xrightarrow{\text{Wigner transf}} A(r,p)F(x,p) \qquad F \text{ generalized occupation}$ $G^{>}(1,2) = i \langle \psi(1)\overline{\psi}(2) \rangle \xrightarrow{\text{Wigner transf}} i A(r,p)(1-F(x,p)) \qquad A \text{ spectral function}$ $G^{+}(1,2) = G^{cron} - G^{<} \qquad \text{retarded/advanced GF}$ $G^{-}(1,2) = G^{cron} - G^{>}$

For these one obtains with a Wigner transform and a gradient approximation the Kadanoff-Baym equations

$$\overline{DG^{2}-G^{2}}\overline{D^{*}} - [\underline{ReZ^{+}G^{2}}] - [\underline{Z^{*}}, \underline{ReG^{+}}] = \frac{1}{2}([\underline{Z}, \underline{G^{+}}], \underline{[Z^{+}, \underline{G^{+}}]})$$

$$\underbrace{Hartvectorn}_{\text{term}} \quad pecul. term}_{\text{coll}:s. term}$$

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The Spectral Function

The spectral function contains the information about the decay width of a particle in medium.

Even particle which are stable in vacuum obtain a width in-medium due to collisions (imaginary part of self energy)

"Off-shell" transport has only been invest. in a few cases.

To obtain the usual BUU transport eq. one makes the "Quasipart. Approximation (QPA)", replacing the spectral fct. by a delta function on the mass shell.



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The Self Energy

The self energy is taken in the T_Matrix approximation, including exchange and twobody correlations: the Brueckner HF theory.

With this and the QPA one obtains BUU-like eqs.

Now the collision term appears consistently and is obtained on the same footing from the Brueckner T-Matrix.

The T-Matrix would have to be calculated consitently with the non-equil. phase space disribution, i.e. in non-eq., which is hardly possible. But there have been approx., like a two-Fermi sphere approx.





$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d^{4}k_{2}}{E_{k_{2}}^{*}(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{d^{4}k_{3}}{E_{k_{3}}^{*}(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{d^{4}k_{4}}{E_{k_{4}}^{*}(2\pi)^{3}} W(kk_{2}|k_{3}k_{4})(2\pi)^{4} \delta^{4} (k+k_{2}-k_{3}) + \sum_{k_{2}} \left[f(x,\mathbf{k}_{3})f(x,\mathbf{k}_{4}) \left(1-f(x,\mathbf{k})\right) \left(1-f(x,\mathbf{k}_{2})\right) - f(x,\mathbf{k})f(x,\mathbf{k}_{2}) \left(1-f(x,\mathbf{k}_{3})\right) \left(1-f(x,\mathbf{k}_{4})\right) \right] .$$

 k_3

$$W(kk_2|k_3k_4) = m^*(x,k)m^*(x,k_2)m^*(x,k_3)m^*(x,k_4)$$

$$\times < kk_2|\mathcal{T}^+|k_3k_4| > < k_3k_4|\mathcal{T}^-|kk_2| >$$

To explain all this in detail needs much more space! Main message: Transport theory can be placed on a solid many-body footing (which, however, has not often been employed in real calculations.)

V.1 Characterization of Codes for Transport Calculations

First family: Vlasov-type for 1-body phase space density

1. Implementation, attempting to simulate the solution of the BUU/BNV... equation:

~1 fm

 $\beta = \frac{N-Z}{2}$

- \rightarrow test particle (TP) method
- \rightarrow point or finite size test partticles (Gaussians or triangles)
- \rightarrow MF often parametrized as Skyrme type with momentum dep. (next page)

Energy density:
$$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{kin} + \mathcal{E}_{pot}^{A}(rep) + \mathcal{E}_{pot}^{B}(attr) + \mathcal{E}_{pot}^{C,z}(mom.dep)$$

Generalized Bombaci-Gale-Bertsch-Das Gupta (BGBD) interaction

$$\varepsilon_{A} = \frac{A}{2} \frac{\rho^{2}}{\rho_{0}} - \frac{A}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2} + x_{0}\right) \frac{\rho^{2}}{\rho_{0}} \beta^{2} - \frac{A}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2} + x_{0}\right) \frac{\rho^{2}}{\rho_{0}} \beta^{2} \\ \varepsilon_{B} = \frac{B}{\sigma + 1} \frac{\rho^{\sigma + 1}}{\rho_{0}^{\sigma}} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{B}{\sigma + 1} \left(\frac{1}{2} + x_{3}\right) \frac{\rho^{\sigma + 1}}{\rho_{0}^{\sigma}} \beta^{2} \\ \frac{E}{M} \left(\rho_{0} = 0.16 \ fm^{-3}\right) = -16 MeV \\ K_{NM}(\rho_{0}) = 215 \ MeV, \quad \frac{m^{*}}{m} = 0.67 \\ \end{array}$$

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- → point or finite size test partticles (Gaussians or triangles)
- \rightarrow MF often parametrized as Skyrme type with momentum dep. (next page)
- → cross section empirical (usually free cross section, isospin dependent)
- \rightarrow parallel ensemble method (collisons in sep. ensemble, MF averaged)
- 2. Relativistic BUU (RBUU)
 - \rightarrow relativistic variant of BUU, often also with gaussian TP
 - → MF either from empirical density functional,

i.e. RMF (non-linear or density dependent)



~1|fm

→ or use of Brueckner HF (Dirac-BHF) G-matrix in MF and collision term consistently

 \rightarrow also including non-equilibrium effects in the two-Fermi sphere approximation

Second family: Molecular Dynamics to solve the many-body problem

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Molecular Dynamics

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Attempt to solve the many-body problem with assumptions: use of 2-body interaction instead of MF depending on density

 Classical Molecular dynamics CMD point particles, deterministic, but possibly chaotic behaviour because of short range repulsion

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\boldsymbol{r}_i = \{\boldsymbol{r}_i, \mathcal{H}\}, \qquad \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\boldsymbol{p}_i = \{\boldsymbol{p}_i, \mathcal{H}\},$$

where the many-body Hamiltonian is of the form

$$\mathcal{H}\{\boldsymbol{r}_n, \boldsymbol{p}_n\} = \sum_{i=1}^{A} \frac{\boldsymbol{p}_i^2}{2m_i} + \sum_{i < j} V(|\boldsymbol{r}_i - \boldsymbol{r}_j|).$$

- Quantum molecular dynamics QMD gausssian particles with large width to smooth fluctuations, not a wave packet, no antisymmetrization (thus similar to BUU with N_{TP}=1) but event generator. variant IQMD, isospin dependence in interactions
- 3. Fermionic MD (FMD), Antisymmetrized MD (AMD) Gaussian paricles, but antisymmetrization included. Particle coordinates loose meaning as WP approach each other



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Obviously, transport codes are essential to gain information from HIC.

On the other hand they are complicated simulation programs, which contain many different strategies. It is important, to know the uncertainties associated with these implementations.

Thus we organized a workshop (working group) to attempt to compare the results from different codes, taking as far as possible the same physical input (mean field, cross section, etc.) \rightarrow included codes, next page

Show some representative results for observables, which are discussed more later:



The major codes in use today are included in the comparison

Name	Code	References	EoS (hw1)	EoS (hw2)
Ono	AMD	PRC66(02)014603	own EoS	own EoS
Hartnack	IQMD	EPJA1(98)151	as required	as required
Napolitani	BQMD	PR 202 (91)233	as required	own EoS
Zhang	ImQMD	PL B664 (08)145; PR C71 (05)024604; PR C74 (06)014602	as required	as required
Danielewicz	BEM	-	as required	as required
QF. Li	UrQMD	PRC73(06)051601; JPG32(06)151	as required	as required
Giordano	BNV (CT)	NPA732(04)202; PRC72(05)064609	as required	as required
Pfabe	BNV	??	as required	as required
Gaitanos	RBUU(Munich)	NPA714(03)643;NPA741 (04) 209	as required	as required
GiBUU (SK)	BUU-Giessen	gibuu.physik.uni-giessen.de	as required	as required
GiBUU (RMF)	RBUU-Giessen	PL B663 (08)197; arXiv:0904.2106v1; PR C76 (07)044909	as required	as required
BA. Li	BUU	PR160(88)189; PRC44(91)450 & 2095.	as required	as required
H. Schade	BUU	??	as required	as required

Code Comparison: Flow

Giordano

Napolitani

Danielewicz Hartnack Li

GiBUU (SK) GiBUU (RMF)

Giordano
 Napolitani

Gaitanos

⊣ B.-A. Li → Pfabe

➡ Hartnack
♦ Schade

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Zhang

- Danielewicz

GiBUU (SK)

GiBUU (RMF)

← Ono ▲ Li

Gaitanos

- B.-A. Li

Schade

Pfabe

Ono

Zhang



Code Comparison: Collisions

Energy distributions of collisions

solid: all attempted collisions, dashed: unblocked collisions



400 AMeV

100 AMeV

These are preliminary results!

The differences for flow observables are not drastic (even though they are sometimes of the order of physical effects of different EOS's). The differences in the collision histories are large. Here may lie the reason for the difference in the behaviours of the different codes.

Further studies are forthcoming.

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