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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 What is ECHO-QGP

ECHO-QGP is a program used to model heavy-ions collisions. It solves numerically the viscous hydrodynamic equations in the Israel-Stewart theoretical frame [1] [2] in 2+1D or 3+1D in Bjorken coordinates, from the formation of quark-gluon plasma up to the freeze-out stage. The user can set up different initial conditions (Optical and Monte Carlo Glauber, as well as custom initial energy density profile) and he/she can also choose between both analytic and tabulated equations of state.

The programming language chosen for ECHO-QGP is FORTRAN 2008.

1.2 The ECHO-QGP team

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1.3 License

The code is released under the GPL v. 2.0; please, read the file LICENSE.TXT contained into the source directory or have a look at: <https://www.gnu.org/licenses/gpl-2.0.html>.

1.4 Funding

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1.5 Main limitations - what the code cannot do

The main limitations of the code are:

- The code can describe one fluid only, expanding in “vacuum” (*see next point about the “vacuum” term*)
- The code needs a minimum baseline for the value of the energy density of the order of 1 KeV for the inviscid case, and 0.1 - 1 MeV for the viscous case
- The time derivatives have a limited (\sim first order) accuracy
- Baryon charge evolution is properly treated only in the inviscid case; in the viscous case it only plays a numerical role, but it doesn’t have a physical meaning since there are some missing terms in the equations describing its evolution
- To ensure the stability of the program, it is necessary to switch off the viscosity effects under a certain temperature (usually, less than 100MeV, i.e. well below the freezeout temperature, where the hydrodynamical description is not valid anymore)
- If initial conditions are not very “smooth”, the program may crash before reaching the freezeout temperature (unfortunately, currently this happens quite often with Glauber-Monte Carlo initial conditions)
- The correct parsing of the configuration parameters requires not to alter the structure of the files `param.dat` and `settings.txt`
- The hypersurface computation always runs over a single core: it is not parallelized
- The grid partitioning in runs exploiting MPI is limited to the x -axis only and the user can exploit a number of CPUs not exceeding one third of the cells along the x axis
- I/O actions are performed by only a single processor

- The code does not yet take into account a post-hydro after-burner (any transport code or resonance decayer, rescatterings, etc)

Chapter 2

How to set up and run simulations

2.1 Requirements

Some requirements are assumed in order to use ECHO-QGP v1.0:

- a working GNU/Linux environment
- a fortran 2008 compiler
- the make utility
- the tar utility
- the gzip utility

The current version was developed and tested with:

- Debian 7.0 x86_64 equipped with the GCC 4.7.2 compiler
- Ubuntu 14.04 amd64 equipped with the GCC 4.8.2 compiler

The makefile provided within the package contains some of the most frequent flags used for specific architectures, so that an expert user can modify it at pleasure.

Additionally, some the (optional) postprocessing tools require GDL (<http://www.gnudatalanguage.org>) or IDL[®] (by EXELIS VIS) to be installed.

Root access is not needed to compile or run the program.

2.1.1 Parallel run requirements

To execute parallel runs of ECHO-QGP on multiple cores machines, an MPI library is also needed. The code has been tested using only the OpenMPI implementation of the Message Passing Interface (MPI) standard, version 1.6.5 (all versions from 1.3.x to 1.8.x should also work, but they were not tested).

2.2 Download of ECHO-QGP

The latest version is downloadable from the official ECHO-QGP website: <http://theory.fi.infn.it/echoqgp>

From now on, *<version>* occurrences refer to the version of the code on which we are working on (e.g. ECHO-QGP-*<version>*.tar.gz could be ECHO-QGP-1.0.03 or ECHO-QGP-1.5.11).

The version id is composed by three numbers: a change in the first number will correspond to deep changes in the structure of the code or in the physics that it handles, a change in the second number will reflect significant improvements or minor new features, changes in the third number are reserved to bug-fixes only.

Only bug-fixing versions will not introduce incompatibilities with previous versions, while first and second digit new versions probably it will.

2.2.1 Check of the integrity of the file

It is possible to check the source code tarball integrity: it is sufficient to download the corresponding md5sum checksum file and issue the command:

```
md5sum -c ECHO-QGP-<version>.tar.gz.md5sum
```

which returns, on positive match:

```
ECHO-QGP-<version>.tar.gz: OK
```

For any other return state, the user should download again the package.

2.2.2 Uncompress the folder

To unpack the compressed archive containing the sources, just issue the command:

```
tar xzf ECHO-QGP-<version>.tar.gz
```

The uncompressed folder will contain: some sub-directories for utilities and post-hydro programs, some text files and all the files building ECHO-QGP itself. In detail, the bundle is composed as follows:

analysis *folder* Contains the post-hydro tools for the particle spectra production (see [7](#))

doc *folder* Contains the latest version of this manual and the \LaTeX sources to build it

eos_data *folder* Contains some essential files to run the simulations (equation of state, particle list, chemical potential, temperature definition ...)

LICENSE.TXT *text file* License under which ECHO-QGP is released.

makefile The instructions to build the program using GNU Make

param.dat *text file* Configuration file of ECHO-QGP

random_seed.dat An integer number to provide an initial seed for the Random Number Generator (used with Glauber-Monte Carlo initial conditions) (see [4.4](#))

tests *folder* Contains the essential informations and data to reproduce the examples described in the tutorials chapter (see [6](#)) of this manual

tools *folder* Contains some tools to analyze the results of the simulations (see [5](#))

The remaining files included are the Fortran files containing the modules of ECHO-QGP. We give here an extremely synthetic description of each one of them:

common.f90 contains all the global variables and some utility functions

echo.f90 main file

eos.f90 handles the Equation of State and the interplay among the thermodynamic variables

evolve.f90 Computes the time evolution of the quark-gluon plasma

glaubermc.f90 Prepares the initial state for the hydro evolution with the Glauber Monte Carlo model

holib.f90 Library with high order reconstruction algorithms

hypersurface.f90 Computes the thermal freezeout hypersurface

init.f90 Initialization file

out.f90 Handles the output

parallel_mpi.f90 Handles the parallelization

parallel_nompi.f90 Dummy file for the serial run

system.f90 Prepares the lattice and the metrics, handles the conversions between primitive and conserved variables

viscous.f90 Computes the viscous corrections

work.f90 Riemann solver and interfaces to high order libraries

2.3 Configure ECHO-QGP

The configuration file `param.dat` can be edited with any text editor (e.g. vim, gedit, geany, kate...), but it is **very important NOT TO ALTER the structure of the file** (number of columns before the `=` symbol or before the `!` symbol). The change in the parameters in `param.dat` are read at runtime, so it is not necessary to compile again the program.

There are some parameters that, as for now, are not configurable from the `param.dat` file, as they are declared in the Fortran files and their modification requires to recompile the program. See section [4.7](#) for further details.

2.4 How to build and run ECHO-QGP

To build the program, enter the source directory and issue the command:

```
make
```

The command `make` reads the instructions on how to compile from the file `makefile`.

The `make` command can be invoked with five different targets:

make to build the program for serial runs on a single processor

make par to build the program parallel runs on multi-cores systems using the MPI library

make tools to build the post-processing utilities contained into the tools directory

make clean to remove the files produced during a previous compilation (executable, object files, modules and so on)

make cleanall to remove both the files produced by the compiler and the files produced by an ECHO-QGP run

An expert user can edit the makefile to change or choose a proper compiling option, suitable for its own compiler and architecture.

On a successful build, the executable file `echo.exe` can be found in the directory. To run the program, simply issue:

```
./echo.exe
```

2.4.1 Build and run on multi-processors architectures

If the user has a computer with many CPUs and the MPI library installed, he/she can speed up the simulations launching parallel runs.

In order to compile ECHO-QGP with MPI, just issue the command:

```
make par
```

and then to run ECHO-QGP:

```
mpirun -np <number of processors> ./echo.exe  
(e.g. mpirun -np 4 ./echo.exe)
```

where the `-np` flag sets up the number of processors to be used (to be more precise, the number of processes, but usually the best choice is to insert the number of CPUs available). Please, note that the minimum allowed number of cells along x is the number of processors divided by 3.

The output files are stored in the `outr0001` subdirectory. The output directory can be changed passing the `-o` flag to ECHO-QGP:

```
/echo.exe -o new_name
```

The name of the output directory must be 8 characters long.

When performing Glauber-Monte Carlo simulations, the suffix numbers of output directories are automatically assigned: they will be equal to the index numbers identifying the selected events (for example, if the users chooses

to run events with id 113 and 114 in the sequence generated by ECHO-QGP, then the output directories will be outr0113 and outr0114).

When correctly executed, ECHO-QGP prints a summary of the grid, the parameters and the algorithms employed, and then a short message each time the output is written and a final message about time elapsed. You can see an example of a successful running output (up to the second time-step in the listing [2.1](#))

```

1  ECHO-QGP STARTED
2
3      nrk      :      2
4      **** Settings and parameters: ****
5
6  Test 0  *** optical-geometrical Glauber initial
7          Using Bjorken coordinates
8          This is a viscous simulation
9          Bulk viscosity is neglected
10 This simulation uses MPI and the number      4
11 Evolved shear viscous tensor components: xx, yy, zz, xy, xz
12 tt, tx, ty, tz and zz are obtained imposing orth. and null
13 trace
14
15          Grid parameters:
16          x, y and z (or eta) number of cells:      51      51
17          51
18          x range (fm):      -9.000
19          9.000
20          y range (fm):      -9.000
21          9.000
22          z (or eta) range (fm):      -9.000
23          9.000
24          step x,y,eta (fm):      0.353
25          0.353      0.353
26
27          Time parameters:
28          starting time:      1.000
29          ending time:      1.400
30          ending temeperature (MeV):      130.000
31          maximum timestep:      0.005
32
33          eta/s parameter for shear viscosity tens      0.080
34          Temperature limit for smoothing viscosit      0.095
35          eq of state      3
36          numerical derivatives with anal. eos      0
37
38          Nucleus parameters:
39          proj. mass      197.000
40          radius (fm)      6.380
41          W.-S. width (fm)      0.535

```

```

37          sqrt(s) (GeV)      200.000
          Y_b      5.361
39          cross section (mb)      4.200
          impact parameter (fm)      5.000
41          initial hardness parameter      0.150
          central energy density (GeV/fm^3)      20.000
43          enezero (GeV/fm^3)      0.10E-02
          przero (GeV/fm^3)      0.22E-03
45          central density      0.100
pp rapidity distribution shift (deta - e      1.000
47 pp rapidity distribution width (sigeta p      1.500

49          ueta A coeff. so that u^eta=A*x:      0.000

51
          Computing freeze-out hypersurface
53 Hypersurface computation based on temper
          Freezeout threshold (MeV):      140.000
55 time interval between hypersurfaces comp      0.050

          Other numerical parameters:
          Courant-Fr.-Lew. condition parameter:      0.200
59          Reconstruction algorithm:      MPE5
          Limiter:      MM2
61          z-step thickness function (fm)      0.001
          r-step thickness function (fm)      0.001
63          integration accuracy      0.10E-06

          Output parameters:
          interval between log updating:      0.010
67          interval between output printing:      0.050
          output precision:      double - 8 bytes
69

          Variables printed in the output files:
71          density
          vx
73          vy
          vz
75          pressure
          energy density
77          temperature
          entropy density
79          bulk viscosity
          pi^tt
81          pi^tx
          pi^ty
83          pi^tz
          pi^xy
          pi^xz
85          pi^yz
          pi^xx
87          pi^yy
89          pi^zz
          u0 or gamma Lorentz factor

```

```

91  dutdt
    duxdx
93  duydy
    duzdz
95  theta or expansion rate
    vorticities will also be printed into separated output
      files
97  Calculating thickness function...
check nucleus mass 196.94642
99  Done!
    *****
101 RUN NUMBER      1 - RUN      1 OF      1
    Initializations done...
103 mkdir outr0001/
    Grid computed...
105 Files for hypersurface computation written...
    Summary of variables written...
107 Time:  1.00000000 - outr0001.dat  1.61100000 secs
    Copying param.dat into the output directory...
109 Pressure treshold (GeV/fm^3):  2.9468165948506055E-003 -
    Energy density treshold (Gev/fm^3):  1.3051308079431541
      E-002
    Time:  1.05000000 - outr0002.dat  1.01000000 secs

```

Listing 2.1: Output of ECHO-QGP

Chapter 3

ECHO-QGP configuration

3.1 The param.dat file

The `param.dat` file contains several parameters used by the program and that the user can modify.

Changing a parameter in such file does not imply to compile again ECHO-QGP, because the file is read during the execution of the program. Instead, if the analytical Equation of State (EoS) is modified, then it becomes compulsory to issue the command *make clean* before compiling ECHO-QGP again (because the files containing the analytical EoS are included with the *include* statements, thus they are not automatically considered by the *make* command).

An example of `param.dat` is reported in the paragraph 3.1. This file has different sections, for different subsets of parameters used by different modules of the program. We are going to see them in detail in this section, following the file sections. Once again, it is **very important NOT TO ALTER the structure of the file** (number of columns before the `=` symbol or before the `!` symbol).

```
1 | ! kind of initialization
2 | INIT_TYPE=0                !0=Geometric Glauber, 1=2D sh..
3 | ! kind of simulation
4 | COORD....=2                !system coordinates: 1=Minkow...
5 | VISCOUS..=0                !it takes into account viscou...
6 | BULK.....=0                !if 0 it cuts off bulk viscos...
7 | NS.....=0                  !if 0 it uses I-S second orde...
8 | CUT_TEMP.=0.08             !if > 0 it fixes the temperat...
9 | ! grid parameters
10| NX.....=101                !number of cells along x dire...
11| NY.....=101                !number of cells along y dire...
12| NZ.....=101                !number of cells along z (Min...
13| XMIN.....=-12.              !minimum value for x
14| XMAX.....=12.               !maximum value for x
15| YMIN.....=-12.              !minimum value for y
```



```

16 YMAX.....=12.                !maximum value for y
    ZMIN.....=-12.             !minimum value for z (Minkows...
18 ZMAX.....=12.                !maximum value for z (Minkows...
    ! time parameters
20 TSTART...=1.0                !start simulation proper time...
    TSTOP...=10.                !stop simulation proper time ...
22 TEMP_END.=.135               !simulation ends when maximum...
    ! output parameters
24 DTLOG....=0.05               !proper time interval between...
    DTOUT....=0.1               !proper time interval between...
26 OUTP_PREC=8                  !output precision: it can be ...
    MAXDT....=0.01              !maximum timestep ...
28 RESTART...=1                 !restart possibilities: 0=nev...
    ! algorithm parameters
30 CFL.....=0.2                 !Courant-Fr.-Lew. condition ...
    ! beam parameters
32 NUCLEUS..=Au                 !symbol of the colliding ions...
    RADS.....=200.              !sqrt(s_NN) (GeV)
34 SIGMA_IN.=42.                !total inelastic cross sectio...
    B.....=7.                  !impact parameter (fm)
36 ! initial conditions
    IENENTR..=0                 !initial condition: 0 (energy...
38 AH.....=0.15                !initial hardness
    ECENTER..=20.               !energy dens. or entropy dens...
40 ENEZERO..=0.0000001         !minimum value of energy dens...
    RHOCENTER=0.1               !charge density at the origin...
42 DELTA....=1.0                !shift of the pp rapidity dis...
    SIGETA...=1.5               !width of the pp rapidity dis...
44 ! viscosity parameters (active only when VISCOUS paramete...
    ETA_S....=0.08              !eta/entropy dens. parameter ...
46 TAU_PI_C.=3.                 !relaxation time coefficient ...
    TRACE_IMP=zz                 !shear viscous tensor compone...
48 ! equation of state
    EOS.....=3                 !1=analytic eos pr(rh,en), 2=...
50 TAB_EOS_FILE=qcdIEOS0.dat    !name of the file containing ...
    NUM_DER..=0                 !1=with an. eos it uses num d...
52 ! section for Glauber MonteCarlo initial conditions ...
    NCONF....=500               !number of nuclear configurat...
54 NBCOLL...=20                 !number of impact parameters ...
    EV_START.=28                !identifies the event from wh...
56 EV_STOP...=31                !identifies the event at whic...
    KAPPA....=37.0              !model parameters (taken from...
58 SIG.....=0.6                !smearing parameter
    COLLISION=1                 !kind of collision: 1=AA, 2=d...
60 ! section for freezeout hypersurface computation
    HYP_COMPU=0                 !0 disable / 1 enable hypersu...
62 FREEZEVAL=.140               !freezeout threshold: tempera...
    HYPSTRTI=0.1                !time interval between hypers...
64 ! section for initialization with an energy or entropy de...
    IN_D_FILE=ed.dat            !name of the file with the ta...
66 ! section for simulations with "tilted" initial energy de...
    ETAM_TILT=-1                !eta_m to produce initial en...
68 UETA_COEF=0.                 !for tests with initial u^eta...

```

```

70 *****
72 ! Printed variables in the output files (please, select 1...
density..=1
74 vx.....=1
vy.....=1
76 vz.....=1          !vz obviously means veta when...
pressure.=1
78 ene_dens.=1
temper...=1
80 entr_dens=1
bulk_visc=1          !bulk viscosity, active only ...
82 pi^tt....=1        !tt component of shear viscos...
pi^tx....=1          !tx component of shear viscos...
84 pi^ty....=1        !ty component of shear viscos...
pi^tz....=1          !tz component of shear viscos...
86 pi^xy....=1        !xy component of shear viscos...
pi^xz....=1          !xz component of shear viscos...
88 pi^yz....=1        !yz component of shear viscos...
pi^xx....=1          !xx component of shear viscos...
90 pi^yy....=1        !yy component of shear viscos...
pi^zz....=1          !zz component of shear viscos...
92 gamma....=1
dutdt....=0
94 duxdx....=0
duydy....=0
96 duzdz....=0
theta....=0
98 vorticity=0        !prints the derivatives of va...
flows....=0          !prints directed and elliptic...
100 *****
102 ! Essential parameters for some nuclei.
! Please, add custom nucleus parameters paying attention ...
104 ! When echo-qgp is launched, it will select the parameter...
106 Au      - projmass=197.    - radius=6.38    (fm) - delta=0.5...
Pb      - projmass=208.    - radius=6.62    (fm) - delta=0.5...
108 Xx000   - projmass=280.    - radius=8.76    (fm) - delta=0.7...
Au000   - projmass=197.    - radius=6.37    (fm) - delta=0.5...

```

Listing 3.1: Example of param.dat

3.2 Kind of initialization

This section is devoted to the pre-hydro modules, and it can set-up the initial energy density (or entropy density) profile in such a way that it reproduces a known test, or situation. See chapters 4 and 6 for the various initializations that can be reproduced with ECHO-QGP.

INIT_TYPE *integer*- flag. It is the flag selecting among different initial profiles, for a variety of cases. The allowed possibilities are (see next chapter 4):

0. Glauber-geometric initialization
1. 2D shock tube test
2. 1D viscous shear flow test
3. Glauber-Monte Carlo initialization
4. viscous Gubser's fluid test
5. Initialization with a tabulated energy or entropy density profile

3.3 Kind of simulation

This section is devoted the set-up of the simulation, such as choosing the coordinates (see also 4).

COORD *integer*- flag. It sets the metric used:

1. Minkowski coordinate system with metric $\text{diag}(-1,1,1,1)$
2. Bjorken coordinate system, with metric $\text{diag}(-1,1,1,\tau^2)$

VISCOUS *integer*- flag. Enables (1) or disables (0) the viscous correction to the evolution equations.

BULK *integer*- flag. Enables (1) or disables (0) the bulk viscosity contribution. In the first case the parameter $\zeta = 2\eta(1/3 - cs^2)$, in the last $\zeta = 10^{-40}$

NS *integer*- flag. If set to 1 it imposes the use of Navier-Stokes formalism instead of the I-S second order theory

CUT_TEMP *real*, flag and cutoff. If > 0 then under the temperature **CUT_VALUE** the viscous tensor components are "smoothed", i.e. their magnitude is reduced This section is devoted the set-up of the lattice

3.4 Grid parameters:

NX *integer*- value. The number of cells along x direction

NY *integer*- value. The number of cells along y direction

NZ *integer*- value. The number of cells along eta direction. To set up 2D+1 simulations, just impose $NZ=1$.

XMIN *real*- value. The minimum value for x

XMAX *real*- value. The maximum value for x

YMIN *real*- value. The minimum value for y

YMAX *real*- value. The maximum value for y

ZMIN *real*- value. The minimum value for z (or η)

ZMAX *real*- value. The maximum value for z (or η)

3.5 Time parameters

The simulation starts at a given proper time and can be terminated by two different criteria: when it reaches a threshold temperature or at a given proper time.

TSTART *real*- value. Proper time at which the simulation starts (τ_0 in fm/c)

TSTOP *real*- value. Proper time at which the simulation ends (in fm/c)

TEMP_END *real*- flag and cutoff. The simulation ends when the maximum temperature in GeV reaches a value less than TEMP_END. If this parameter is set to 0, then this feature is turned off.

3.6 Output parameters

This section specifies the output frequency and criteria.

DTLOG *real*- value. Proper time interval between log updating (it should be greater than MAXDT)

DTOUT *real*- value. Proper time interval between output printings (it should be greater than MAXDT)

OUTP_PREC *integer*- flag. The user can choose between 4 (single) or 8 (double) bytes precision when printing output values. Note that in the particle-production tools, this choice is made at build time.

MAXDT *real*- value. Maximum time-step allowed for the time-integration.

RESTART *integer*- flag. Enables (1) or disables (0) the possibility to restart a simulation from the last output file. If enabled, it forces the frequency of output printing and freeze-out hypersurface computation to be done at the same time.

3.7 Algorithm parameters

CFL *real*- value. The Courant–Friedrichs–Lewy condition

3.8 Collision parameters

In this section ECHO-QGP reads all the parameters characterizing the collision: the specie of the nuclei, the beam energy ...

NUCLEUS *character*- flag. It sets the specie of colliding nuclei, and it corresponds to the symbol of the atom (e.g. Au or Pb). At the end of the file param.dat the essential parameters corresponding to each nucleus are written, i.e. mass in a.m.u., radius in fm , Wood-Saxon width in fm and normal nuclear density in fm^{-3} . The user can add other species simply appending other data with the same format at the end of the file.

RADS *real*- value. Total energy per nucleon in the center of mass frame ($\sqrt{s_{NN}}$), in GeV

SIGMA_IN *real*- value. The total inelastic nucleon-nucleon cross section, in mb

B *real*- value. The impact parameter b , expressed in fm.

3.9 Initial conditions parameters

IENENTR *integer*- flag. Allows to use either energy (0) or entropy (1) density for the profile used in the initial stage modeling.

AH *real*- value. Hardness parameter $\alpha_{BC} \in [0, 1]$, in equation 4.1.

ECENTER *real*- value. Central ($x = y = z = b = 0$) value for the field used in the initial profile, i.e.:

For IENENTR=0, ECENTER is the energy density in GeV/fm^3

For IENENTR=1, ECENTER is the entropy density in fm^{-3}

ENEZERO *real*- value. Minimum allowed value for the energy density, in GeV/fm^3 , at program starting

RHOCENTER *real*- value. Central ($x = y = z = b = 0$) value for the baryon charge density in fm^{-3} . *Please, note that in the current version, this parameter does not have any physical meaning: it is exploited as a tracer (i.e. as a mathematical trick to simplify the evolution equations of shear viscous tensor components). In order to perform viscous simulations RHOCENTER must be different from zero.*

DETA *real*- value. Shift of the pp-rapidity distribution (η_{flat} in equation 4.1)

SIGETA *real*- value. Width of the pp-rapidity distribution (σ_η in equation 4.1)

3.10 Viscosity parameters

These parameters are only considered when the flag **VISCOSITY**=1.

ETA_S *real*- value. It is the shear viscosity coefficient divided by the entropy density: η/s (in natural units). It is employed in the calculation of the shear viscous tensor, where s is the entropy density. In the Navier-Stokes formulation, this value is simply assigned to η .

TAU_PI_C *real*- value. The parameter which controls the τ_π , the relaxation time, in the formula: $\tau_\pi = TAU_PI_C \frac{ETA_S}{T}$, where T is the temperature

TRACE_IMP *character*- flag. Discriminates the equation used to close the system. It can assume two different values:

TRACE_IMP=no The components $\pi^{xx}, \pi^{yy}, \pi^{zz}, \pi^{xy}, \pi^{xz}, \pi^{yz}$ of the shear viscous tensor are evolved, while the $\pi^{tt}, \pi^{tx}, \pi^{ty}, \pi^{tz}$ components are retrieved imposing the orthogonality condition;

TRACE_IMP=zz the π^{zz} component is obtained imposing the tracelessness condition (in addition to the orthogonality condition)

3.11 Equation of State parameters

EOS *integer*- flag. Discriminates the Equation of State used by ECHO-QGP. The options are:

1. A barotropic analytic equation of state is used, of the kind ($\mathcal{P} = P(\rho, e)$). The relations among the pressure (P), the charge density (ρ) and energy density (e) are explicitly written in the files *.def* contained in the folder *eos_data*:

pressure_vs_rho_en.def Dependence of the pressure ($P, GeV/fm^3$) on the energy density ($e, GeV/fm^3$)

temperature.def Dependence of the temperature (T, GeV) on the energy density ($e, GeV/fm^3$)

energy_den.def (Optional, only if **NUM_DER**=0) the dependence of energy density on pressure

dprdrh.def (Optional, only if **NUM_DER**=0) the partial derivative of pressure respect to density

`dprden.def` (Optional, only if `NUM_DER=0`) the partial derivative of pressure respect to energy density

The files in the bundle contain the ideal ultrarelativistic EoS $P = e/3$. More precisely,

$$P = e/3 = \frac{g\pi^2 T^4}{90 (\hbar c)^3/4}, \quad c_s^2 = \frac{1}{3},$$

where $g = 37$ for a non-interacting QGP with 3 light flavors.

All the `*.def` files in the `eos_data` folder can be edited as the user wishes, as long as the variable and parameters names are preserved. **Any change in these files requires to issue again the command *make*.**

2. A complete analytic equation of state, with the pressure as a function of temperature (T) and chemical potential (μ) is used ($P = P(T, \mu)$). This feature is *not yet implemented in the current version of the code*.
3. ECHO-QGP uses a tabulated equation of state, specified in the file `TAB_EOS_FILE`.
4. ECHO-QGP builds a tabulated equation of state and then uses it (*Feature not yet implemented in this version of the code*)

TAB_EOS_FILE `character`(max 15 characters). Name of the file containing the tabulated EoS (if `EOS=3`), to be located in the `eos_data` directory. ECHO-QGP allows the use of any tabulated EoS of this kind, if provided by the user in the following format:

- The first row containing the number N of entries of the file.
- N rows, each one containing: the temperature T in GeV , the energy density in GeV/T^4 , the pressure in GeV/T^4 , the square speed of sound $c_s^2 \equiv dP/de$; all separated by white spaces

In the bundle, there are four available tabulated EoS files:

qcdIEOS.dat EoS of ref. [3], arising from a weak-coupling QCD calculation with realistic quark masses

qcdIEOS0.dat Nearly identical to `qcdIEOS.dat`, except for the first entry for $T=0$ (added to solve some stability problems at low temperatures, far below the temperature range of existence of the quark-gluon plasma).

pce.dat EoS of ref. [4], based on partial chemical equilibrium obtained by matching a Hadron-Resonance-Gas EoS (HRG EoS) at low temperature with the continuum-extrapolated lattice-QCD results by

the Budapest-Wuppertal collaboration [5]. The HRG EoS was obtained by summing the contributions of all hadrons and resonances in the PDG up to a mass of 2 GeV: $P = \sum_r P_r$.

pce0.dat The same as pce.dat, but with an additional entry for T=0.

NUM_DER *integer*- flag. Enables or disables the automatic computation of the derivatives for the thermodynamic variables, in case of an analytic EoS. Works with EOS=1 or EOS=2.

- ECHO-QGP computes numerical derivatives to find other physical quantities
- The user must provide explicit derivatives in the files `energy_den.def` and `part_der_pr_vs_rh_en.def`

3.12 Glauber Monte Carlo initial conditions parameters

NCONF *integer*- value. Number of nuclear configurations

NBCOLL *integer*- value. Number of impact parameters per configuration

EV_START *integer*- ID. ID number of the event from which to start among the generated events

EV_STOP *integer*- ID. ID number of the event from which to stop among the generated events

KAPPA *real*- value. Value of the K parameter in:

$$e(\tau_0, \mathbf{x}) = \frac{K}{2\pi\sigma} \left\{ (1 - \alpha) \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{part}}} \exp \left[-\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i^{\text{part}})^2}{2\sigma^2} \right] + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{coll}}} \exp \left[-\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i^{\text{coll}})^2}{2\sigma^2} \right] \right\}.$$

For further details see [6, 7]

SIG *real*- value. Value of the σ (smearing) parameter in the above equation. For further details see [6, 7]

COLLISION *integer*- flag. Discriminates the kind of collision

- 1=AA (nucleus-nucleus)
- 2=dA (deuteron-nucleus)
- 3=pA (proton-nucleus)

3.13 Decoupling hypersurface parameters

The task of the routine `hypersurface.f90` included in ECHO-QGP is to find, store and print the coordinates of the hypersurface detected during the hydrodynamic evolution.

HYP_COMPU *integer*- flag. Disables (0) or enables (1) the computation of the decoupling hypersurface. If set to 0, it saves computational time but it does not perform any decoupling technique.

FREEZKIND *integer*- flag. Criterion for the detection of the hypersurface.

0. Isothermal hypersurface - Uses a threshold temperature ($\text{FREEZEVAL} = T_{fo}$, GeV)
1. Constant energy density hypersurface - Uses a threshold energy density ($\text{FREEZEVAL} = e_{fo}$, GeV/fm³)

FREEZEVAL Decoupling field threshold: temperature (GeV) or energy density (GeV/fm³)

HYPsurFTI *real*- value. Time interval (in fm/c) of the grid passed to the hypersurface-finding routine. Sometimes to treat shocks it is useful to set a very dense grid, but in order to compute the hypersurface a lesser dense grid is needed, so it would be a waste of computing time to perform the check at every hydro step.

3.14 Initialization with a custom energy or entropy density profile

ECHO-QGP can use as a starting profile ($\tau = \tau_0$) a custom 2D energy density or entropy density profile at mid-rapidity, with the field values at any cell center. The structure of the file must be: *x coordinate, y coordinate, energy density value* in GeV/fm³ or *entropy density value* in fm⁻³. The field values of the tabulated file will be interpolated on the grid chosen in `param.dat` if the grid on which they lie does not match with the grid of ECHO-QGP.

IN_D_FILE *character*(max 18 characters). Name of the file with the tabulated energy or entropy density distribution (max 18 characters)

3.15 Section for simulations with "tilted" initial energy density profile

ETAM_TILT *real*- value. Parameter to produce a "tilting" in the initial energy distribution as in ref. [8]; if the parameter is set to a negative number, no tilting is introduced

UETA_COEF Parameter used for tests with initial conditions different from the BIC ($u^\eta = u^x = u^y = 0$). Here $u^\eta \neq 0$, and $u^\eta(x) = \text{UETA_COEF} \cdot x$ (the impact parameter b lies on the x axis).

3.16 Printed variables in the output files

This section simply contains a list of all the fields that the simulation can print in the output files. The user can enable (1) or disable (0) the output of any variable. The computational time also depends on how many variables are printed. They all are **real**- flags - with the precision defined by the flag **OUTP_PREC**.

density (baryon charge density)

vx (v_x contravariant)

vy (v_y contravariant)

vz (v_z or v_η contravariant)

pressure (p , expressed in GeV/fm^3)

ene_dens (e , energy density, expressed in GeV/fm^3)

temper (T , temperature, expressed in GeV)

entr_dens (s , entropy density, expressed in fm^{-3})

bulk_visc Π (bulk viscosity, only active when **VISCOUS** parameter is set to 1)

pitt π^{tt} component of shear viscous tensor, active only when **VISCOUS** parameter is set to 1

pitx π^{tx} component of shear viscous tensor, active only when **VISCOUS** parameter is set to 1

pity π^{ty} component of shear viscous tensor, active only when **VISCOUS** parameter is set to 1

pitz π^{tz} component of shear viscous tensor, active only when **VISCOUS** parameter is set to 1

pixy π^{xy} component of shear viscous tensor, active only when **VISCOUS** parameter is set to 1

pixz π^{xz} component of shear viscous tensor, active only when **VISCOUS** parameter is set to 1

piyz π^{yz} component of shear viscous tensor, active only when VISCOUS parameter is set to 1

pixx π^{xx} component of shear viscous tensor, active only when VISCOUS parameter is set to 1

piyy π^{yy} component of shear viscous tensor, active only when VISCOUS parameter is set to 1

pizz π^{zz} component of shear viscous tensor, active only when VISCOUS parameter is set to 1

gamma γ Lorentz factor (also v_t)

dutdt $\frac{\partial v_t}{\partial t}$

duxdx $\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x}$

duydy $\frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y}$

duzdz $\frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z}$

theta $\theta = \frac{\partial v_t}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z}$ with Minkowski coordinates and the additional term $\frac{u^\tau}{\tau}$ with Milne coordinates

derivativ Prints the derivatives of velocities and temperature vs τ, x, y and η at τ intervals given by parameter DTOUT into separate output ASCII files der0001.dat, der0002.dat, ... and, if the computation of f.o. hypersurface is active, also on f.o. hypersurface, producing the file hypersurf_deriv.txt

flows Prints the hydrodynamical eccentricities on the transverse plane vs η at τ intervals given by parameter DTOUT into separate output ASCII files df0001.dat, ep0001.dat, ec0001.dat, df0002.dat, ep0002.dat, ec0002.dat,

The computations are valid only in the inviscid case.

The definition we used for the spatial eccentricity ec0... files is:

$$\varepsilon_c(\eta)_{const.\tau} = \frac{\int dxdy (x - x_0)^2 - (y - y_0)^2}{\int dxdy (x + x_0)^2 - (y + y_0)^2}$$

the definition for the df0... files with average flow in x direction is:

$$\langle v_x \rangle (\eta) = \frac{\int dxdy \gamma v_x \epsilon}{\int dxdy \gamma \epsilon}$$

while the definition [9] for the momentum eccentricity ep0... files is:

$$\varepsilon_p(\eta)_{const.\tau} = \frac{\int dxdy (\epsilon + p) \cdot \gamma^2 \cdot (v_x^2 - v_y^2)}{\int dxdy (\epsilon + p) \cdot \gamma^2 \cdot (v_x^2 + v_y^2) + 2 \cdot p}$$

where ϵ is the energy density, γ is the Lorentz factor and p is the pressure.

3.17 Essential parameters for projectile nuclei

In this section it is possible to choose the parameters for specific nuclei and/or to give the essential parameters (i.e. mass in a.m.u., radius in fm, Wood-Saxon width in fm and normal nuclear density in fm^{-3}). If a new projectile nucleus is wanted, it is sufficient to type (or copy and paste) a new line, where the 5 characters at the beginning are reserved for the name and the rest of the line structure is preserved.

Chapter 4

Available initialization alternatives

As its hydrodynamic starting point, ECHO-QGP can set up different initial energy density (or entropy density) profiles, based on various widespread models or on some of the most common numerical tests.

The ones currently available in the code are listed below and they are selected through the parameter `INIT_TYPE` in the configuration file `param.dat`.

4.1 Initialization 0 - Geometric Glauber

Here we compute the initial state for the energy density profile in the Optical Glauber Model frame [10].

We define the usual *thickness function* as:

$$T(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_0}{1 + e^{\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} - r}{\delta}}} dz$$

where ρ_0 , δ and r are the normal nuclear density, the Wood-Saxon width and the radius of the nucleus (all of them defined at the end of `param.dat` file). Then we define:

$$T_+(\mathbf{x}_T) = T(\mathbf{x}_T + \mathbf{b}/2) \quad T_-(\mathbf{x}_T) = T(\mathbf{x}_T - \mathbf{b}/2)$$

where $\mathbf{x}_T = (x, y)$ is the vector of the transverse plane coordinates and \mathbf{b} is the impact parameter vector, connecting the centers of the two nuclei. In our conventional cartesian reference frame, the \mathbf{b} vector is oriented along the positive x axis and the two nuclei have initial momentum along the z axis (whence the reaction plane is the xz plane). \mathbf{b} is assigned with the B parameter.

Given: σ as the total nucleon-nucleon inelastic cross section (corresponding

to the parameter SIGMA_IN), m as the mass number of the colling nuclei and $T(x, y)$ as the thickness function, we define:

$$T_1(x, y) = T_+ \left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{\sigma T_-}{m} \right)^m \right) \quad T_2(x, y) = T_- \left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{\sigma T_+}{m} \right)^m \right)$$

while the number of binary collisions is:

$$n_{BC}(x, y) = \sigma T_+(x, y) T_-(x, y)$$

We define the wounded nucleons weight function W_N as:

$$W_N(x, y, \eta) = 2 (T_1(x, y)f_-(\eta) + T_2(x, y)f_+(\eta))$$

where:

$$f_-(\eta) = \begin{cases} 1 & \eta < -\eta_m \\ \frac{-\eta + \eta_m}{2\eta_m} & -\eta_m \leq \eta \leq \eta_m \\ 0 & \eta > \eta_m \end{cases}$$

and

$$f_+(\eta) = \begin{cases} 0 & \eta < -\eta_m \\ \frac{\eta + \eta_m}{2\eta_m} & -\eta_m \leq \eta \leq \eta_m \\ 1 & \eta > \eta_m \end{cases}$$

Finally, the initial proper energy density distribution is assumed to be:

$$\varepsilon(x, y, \eta) = \varepsilon_0 W(x, y, \eta) H(\eta),$$

where ε_0 is assigned with the parameter ECENTER and the total weight function $W(x, y, \eta)$ is defined as:

$$W(x, y, \eta) = \frac{(1 - \alpha) W_N(x, y, \eta) + \alpha n_{BC}(x, y)}{(1 - \alpha) W_N(0, 0, 0) + \alpha n_{BC}(0, 0)}.$$

where α is the AH parameter and:

$$H(\eta) = \exp \left(-\frac{\tilde{\eta}^2}{2\sigma_{\tilde{\eta}}^2} \theta(\tilde{\eta}) \right) \quad \tilde{\eta} = |\eta - \eta_0| - \eta_{flat}/2$$

where $\eta_0 = 0$ if the parameter ETAM_TILT > 0 ("tilted initial energy profile"), otherwise:

$$\eta_0 = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1 + \beta_0}{1 - \beta_0} \right)$$

where

$$\beta_0 = \frac{T_- - T_+}{T_- + T_+}$$

Viscous tensor components are initialized as:

$$\begin{aligned}\pi^{11} &= g_{11} \frac{2\eta}{3\tau_0} \\ \pi^{22} &= g_{22} \frac{2\eta}{3\tau_0} \\ \pi^{33} &= -g_{33} \frac{4\eta}{3\tau_0} \\ \Pi &= -\frac{\zeta}{\tau_0}\end{aligned}$$

All other components are set to 0.

4.2 Initialization 1 - 2D shock tube

Initial condition is a constant pressure profile p_1 for $y \leq -x$ and p_2 otherwise. All other variables are set to 0. The initial values of the variables can be changed only editing the `init.f90` file (and recompiling ECHO-QGP).

4.3 Initialization 2 - 1D viscous shear flow

These initial conditions are designed to perform the (1+1)-D test in Minkowski Cartesian coordinates described in [6] and [11].

Pressure and density have constant values (density $\rho = 1$ and pressure $p = 0.25$ so that, using ideal equation of state energy density $e = 3p = 0.75$ and $e + p = 1$), and $v^y = v_0 \cdot \text{erf}\left(\frac{x}{2\sqrt{t \cdot \eta/s}}\right)$, where the constant $v_0 \ll c$ and t is time (with this choice of the various parameters, t should be 1 at the beginning of the simulation).

4.4 Initialization 3 - Glauber-MonteCarlo

This initialization is based on a simple Glauber MonteCarlo model, designed as follows [7] [6]:

- A Woods-Saxon distribution is sampled to create an initial nuclear configuration. The transverse positions of the nucleons of the two colliding nuclei are reshuffled into their center-of-mass frame.
- For each configuration a random impact parameter $b \in [0, b_{max}]$ is extracted from the distribution $dP = 2\pi b db$. A collision happens if the positions x_i of the nucleon i (from nucleus A) and x_j of nucleon j (from nucleus B) are such that: $(x_i - x_j)^2 + (y_i - y_j)^2 < \sigma_{NN}/\pi$. The parameter `min_participants` (contained into file `glaubermc.f90`) establishes the minimum number of participant nucleons to accept or reject the

event. The user, with the parameter NCONF, can choose how many configurations to compute.

- To each participant and collision is associated an energy density distribution described by a gaussian function with variance σ ; these distributions are then summed together:

$$e(\tau_0, \mathbf{x}) = \frac{K}{2\pi\sigma} \left\{ (1 - \alpha) \sum_{i=1}^{N_{part}} \exp \left[-\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i^{part})^2}{2\sigma^2} \right] + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^{N_{coll}} \exp \left[-\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i^{coll})^2}{2\sigma^2} \right] \right\}.$$

- The profile $e(\tau_0, \mathbf{x})$ is then multiplied by

$$f(\eta) = \begin{cases} 0 & |\eta| \geq y_{beam} \\ \exp \left(-\frac{\tilde{\eta}^2}{2\sigma_\eta^2} \right) & \eta_{flat} \leq |\eta| < y_{beam} \\ 1 & |\eta| < \eta_{flat} \end{cases}$$

where $\tilde{\eta} = |\eta| - \eta_{flat}/2$, η_{flat} is given, in `param.dat`, by the DETA parameter, σ_η by SIGETA and $y_{beam} = \log \frac{\sqrt{S_{NN}}}{m_N}$

- Viscous tensor components are initialized as in initialization 0.

We advice that, at the time of the release of ECHO-QGP 1.0.00 , initializations with p+A and d+A collisions have not been properly tested.

4.5 Initialization 4 - Viscous Gubser Flow

Viscous Gubser flow with initial values provided by a tabulated file named `Initial_Profile_GubserFlow.dat` contained into the main ECHO-QGP source tree. This is a 2D+1 test in Bjorken coordinates. See the proper section 6.3 in the tutorials chapter for further informations.

4.6 Initialization 5 - tabulated initial energy or entropy density profile

This is a 2D+1 initialization. Inital energy density profile (if parameter IENENTR is set to 0) or entropy density profile (if parameter IENENTR is set to 1) are read from file named `IN_D_FILE`. Viscous tensor components are initialized as in initialization 0.

4.7 Other parameters inside the code

The user can change some parameters included inside the code.

After changing one of these parameters, the user has to recompile the code before using the program.

If the user changes files with definitions like `eos_data/temperature.def`, which are inserted into other source files by an *include* directive, he/she has also to clean the source tree with *make clean* or *make cleanall* before recompiling the program with *make* or *make par*.

option_algo Parameter located into `system.f90`, inside the subroutine *system_cons2prim*, it changes the algorithm for obtaining primitive variables starting from the evolved conservative ones. The best choice is usually 1.

lambda0, lambda1, lambda2 Parameters located into `system.f90`, inside the subroutine *system_sources*, they enable (if set to 1.) or disable (if set to 0.) the contributions to the source terms of viscous tensor components of: the $-\frac{4}{3}\pi^{\mu\nu}\theta$ term, the second order terms, the vorticity terms.

iseed Parameter saved into the file `random_seed.dat`. When using Glauber-MC initialization procedure, if ECHO-QGP finds this file, it reads the integer value it contains for seeding the random number generator, thus reproducing the last energy density profile. If the user removes this file, ECHO-QGP uses the integer value obtained from a *system_clock* call as the new random seed *iseed* and it saves its value inside the file `random_seed.dat`.

REC Choice of reconstruction algorithm (also used for computing spatial derivatives of velocities for obtaining shear viscous tensor components). Possible choices are: TVD2, CENO3, WENO3, WENO5, PPM4, MPE3, MPE5, MPE7. This parameter is located inside `common.f90`.

limiters The tvd2, ceno3 and ppm4 reconstruction algorithms may use MM2 or MC2 as possible limiters. The pre-defined algorithm is MM2, but the user can change it to MC2 commenting/uncommenting just a few lines inside `holib.f90` following the instructions inserted into the code.

If the user wishes to change how the values of viscous tensor are initialized, he/she has to modify the final part of the subroutine *viscous_initio*, contained into file `viscous.f90`.

If the user wishes to change the initial u^η velocity field, he/she has to modify the subroutine *calc_vel_long_nz_ueta*, contained into the file `init.f90`.

The parameter η_0 as defined into 4.1 can also be changed editing the function *H_of_eta* into the file `init.f90`.

4.8 Arguments passing

ECHO-QGP accepts some arguments passed when calling it. Currently they are:

- v, **-version** it prints version information and exits
- h, **-help** it prints usage information (this message) and exits
- m, **-maxdt** maximum timestep allowed
- r, **-restart** it restarts from last saved frame
- t, **-tstop n** it ends at proper time tstop
- o, **-outdir name** it changes the name of output directory

Chapter 5

Post-processing tools

Inside the tools directory there are several utilities to manipulate the results to make easy to visualize them using programs like grace, IDL/gdl or gnuplot:

5.1 IDL/GDL scripts

readvar.pro IDL/GDL script that reads the output of echo-qgp and stores the variables it into 3-dimensional arrays, the grid data into 3 arrays x, y and z. The files `grid_summary.dat` and `param.dat` must be in the same directory with data where this script is launched.

readvartime IDL/GDL script that reads the output files of echo-qgp and the values of a chosen variable at a chosen point on the grid in a chosen range of output files are printed into a chosen file together with the time at which they refer. The files `grid_summary.dat` and `param.dat` must be in the same directory with data where this script is launched.

reader.pro IDL/GDL script that reads the output files of echo-qgp containing data about variable derivatives at fixed τ . The files `grid_summary.dat` and `param.dat` must be in the same directory with data where this script is launched.

ce.pro IDL/GDL script that, for the inviscid case and Bjorken coordinates only, computes the total energy E_{tot} and the total angular momentum J^{zx} along the y direction over the computational grid using the formulas:

$$E_{tot} = \int \tau (\cosh T^{00} - \sinh T^{z0}) d\eta dx dy$$

$$J^{zx} = \int \tau (\cosh \eta (zT^{0x} - xT^{0z}) - \sinh \eta (zT^{zx} - xT^{zz})) d\eta dx dy$$

Since the energy density value defined by the ENEZERO parameter is added to each cells of the grid at the beginning of each run with Glauber initial conditions, the values of these “basement” energy density and the corresponding pressure can be assigned to the *limit_en* and *limit_pr* variables (in the first lines of the script) before running the script, so that they will be subtracted. These values of *limit_en* and *limit_pr* variables are printend to the standard output by ECHO-QGP at the beginning of each run.

Please, note that this utility is based on a raw summation of the values inside the cells and, depending on what are the grid dimensions, the grid resolution and the value of ENEZERO, it may give inaccurate or even wrong results.

You are invited to always check the results changing grid dimensions, grid resolution and the value of ENEZERO.

5.2 Fortran utilities

readx.f90 this small program can be individually compiled with the command: `gfortran -o readx.exe -fdefault-real-8 readx.f03`.

The synopsis of the program is:

`./readx.exe number_of_start_frame number_of_end_frame`

If selected in the `param.dat` file (and, for viscous tensor components, if we run a simulation with viscosity), there will be the following output files (nnnn refers to the four digits number identifying the frame):

- EPSnnnn.dat - the energy density
- PRnnnn.dat - the pressure
- VXnnnn.dat - the velocity along x direction
- VYnnnn.dat - the velocity along y direction
- VZnnnn.dat - the velocity along η direction
- RHOnnnn.dat - the charge density
- Snnnn.dat - the entropy density
- Tnnnn.dat - the temperature
- bulknnnn.dat - the bulk viscosity
- ttnnnn.dat - the π^{tt} shear viscous tensor component
- txnnnn.dat - the π^{tx} shear viscous tensor component
- tynnnn.dat - the π^{ty} shear viscous tensor component
- tznnnn.dat - the π^{tz} shear viscous tensor component
- xyntnnn.dat - the π^{xy} shear viscous tensor component
- xzntnnn.dat - the π^{xz} shear viscous tensor component

- yznnnn.dat - the π^{yz} shear viscous tensor component
- xxnnnn.dat - the π^{xx} shear viscous tensor component
- yynnnn.dat - the π^{yy} shear viscous tensor component
- zzznnn.dat - the π^{zz} shear viscous tensor component
- x.dat, y.dat, eta.dat, tau.dat - the grid coordinates

fromecho.f90 this small program can be individually compiled with the command: `gfortran -o fromecho.exe -fdefault-real-8 fromecho.f90` .

The synopsis of the program is:

`./fromecho input_file output_file x|y|z`.

The program takes as input one of the output files of readx and select the values of the given variables along the x, y or z direction from the 0 up to the right border, printing them into output_file.

For example:

`./fromecho.exe PR0001.dat pressure.txt x`

it will print into the file pressure.txt the values of pressure along x from 0 up to the border of the grid. The output file is a two column ascii file, in the first column there are the coordinate values and in the second column the variable values.

fromecho2d.f90 this utility extracts a 2D slice parallel to one of the coordinate axis from a 3D set of data. It can be individually compiled with the command: `gfortran -o fromecho2D.exe -fdefault-real-8 fromecho2D.f90` and its synopsis is:

`./fromecho input output x|y|z x|y|z (optional: x|y|z value, default is 0)` where *input* is one of the files containing single variable data produced by readx.

Usage example:

`./fromecho prova_input prova_output x y`

This extracts data from file prova_inputs and writes into file output_file the values on the x-y plane for z=0

Usage example:

`./fromecho prova_input prova_output z x 5`

This extracts data from file prova_inputs and writes into file output_file the values on the z-x plane for y=5 For the optional 5th argument, actually it is selected the grid value which is closest to the chosen value , i.e. no interpolations are made.

The ascii output file contains the coordinate value on the first axis, the coordinate values on the second axis and the variable value in that point of the slice. Assuming that these values are x,y and f(x,y), the output file is written in this way:

```

x(1) y(1) f(x(1),y(1))
x(1) y(2) f(x(1),y(2))
x(1) y(3) f(x(1),y(3))
... ..
x(1) y(ny) f(x(1),y(ny))
blank line
x(2) y(1) f(x(2),y(1))
x(2) y(2) f(x(2),y(2))
... ..
x(2) y(ny) f(x(2),y(ny))
blank line
x(3) y(1) f(x(3),y(1))
x(3) y(2) f(x(3),y(2))
... ..
... ..
x(nx-1) y(ny) f(x(nx-1),y(ny))
x(nx) y(ny) f(x(nx),y(ny))

```

The blank lines are inserted to make easier to plot the output file with *gnuplot*.

timev.f90 this small program can be individually compiled with the command: *gfortran -o timev.exe -fdefault-real-8 timev.f90* .

Usage example:

./timev.exe T 1 137 51 40 37 pippo

It prints into the file named "pippo" two columns of values: the first one contains the time, the second one the values of the variable (usually T stands for temperature) at cell of indexes x 51, y 40 and z 37 stored in the files from T0001.dat to T0137.dat

search.sh This very small and very simple bash script searches and highlights a given string inside all source code files. Example: *./search.sh allocate*

5.3 The particle spectra production tool

The tool for producing particle spectra is contained into the *analysis* directory and can be compiled simply with the *make* command. This program is able to use OpenMP for speeding up computations in system with multicore processors with shared memory (and, of course, with OpenMP installed). To take advantage of OpenMP, you have to edit the *makefile* adding the compilation flag *-fopenmp* and execute the make command (you just have to comment/uncomment a couple of lines at the beginning of the makefile). If

compilation is successful, export the environment variables used by OpenMP (unless they have already been set up in advance), e.g., for a 4 cores cpu:

```
export OMP_NUM_THREADS=4
export OMP_SCHEDULE=GUIDED,4
```

At the end of the compilation stage, you'll get an executable named `thermal.exe`. When OpenMP is used, if `thermal.exe` is the only relevant running application, the common *top* utility will report for `thermal.exe` a %CPU usage almost equal to `OMP_NUM_THREADS` times 100.

The configuration file is `settings.txt`. The output directory where the program stores the results must be created before launching it.

For a much more detailed description of this tool, please, read [chapter 7](#).

Chapter 6

Tutorials

In this chapter we will give some examples of how to use the code.

The tutorials will not cover all the features of ECHO-QGP, nevertheless they should give to the user a working knowledge sufficient to perform many basic tasks.

Usage examples of external programs like *gnuplot* or the *gnudatalanguage* will be provided, too, hoping that they will be useful to young students and to other people not familiar with them.

The `tests` directory contains the configurations files and some plots (together with related datafiles) of the results of the numerical simulations presented in this chapter.

6.1 A 3D+1 simulation with Glauber model - test A

Unpack the code with:

```
tar xf echo-qgp-<version>.tar.gz
```

Then, enter into the code directory:

```
cd echo-qgp-<version>
```

If you wish, you can modify the makefile to best exploit the capabilities of your processor or for debugging purposes. Default optimization flag `-O2` should fit well for most cases.

If your cpu has only one core or if you wish to run ECHO-QGP serially, to compile just issue:

```
make
```


otherwise, with a multi-core machine with MPI installed, issue:

```
make par
```

Now, open the file `param.dat` with your favorite text editor (e.g. `vim`, `emacs`, `gedit`, `geany`, `kwrite`, `kate`...).

Let's assume that we wish to run a 3D+1 simulation of the hydrodynamical evolution of the QGP after the collision of two gold nuclei at an $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV using Geometrical Glauber Initial conditions with an impact parameter of 7 fm, taking into account shear viscosity effects with an $\eta/s = 0.08$. We choose 140 MeV as freeze-out temperature. The details of ECHO-QGP configuration are all written into the `param.dat` file inside the folder `tests/testA`. Assuming that we have got a two core computer, we'll use:

```
mpirun -np 2 ./echo.exe
```

or, if we have got only a single core machine (and so, obviously, we didn't choose to use `mpi`):

```
./echo.exe
```

If we wish to run the program even after we log out from the computer (very common situation when we use an `ssh` connection), we may use `nohup`:

```
nohup mpirun -np 2 ./echo.exe&
```

With `nohup`, the messages printed by `echo-qgp` on the screen will be written into a file named `nohup.out`.

The output data files will be written into the `outr0001` directory; inside that directory a log file showing the progress of the computation will be updated every `DTLOG τ` intervals (in this example run, each 0.01 fm/c).

Let's suppose, now, that the run ended and we wish to analyze the results. First, we need to compile the fortran postprocessing utility with the command:

```
make tools
```

and then we have to copy the produced executable files (with the `.exe` extension) and the GDL scripts into the output directory:

```
cp tools/*.exe tools/*.pro outr0001
```

Now, let's move into the output directory:

```
cd outr0001
```

If you have installed IDL or its free clone named gnudatalanguage (at least, version 0.9.3, its website is: <http://gnudatalanguage.sourceforge.net>), you can use some scripts to make some sketchy, but quick plots. Let's see how. First, launch gdl:

```
gdl
```

You'll get an interactive shell.

With the script *readvar.pro* you will be able to read the variables of the output and manipulate them interactively.

First, we check if initialization was correct, so we read the first output file:

```
GDL> readvar, 0001
% Compiled module: READVAR.
This program reads the output of echo-qgp
Reading grid_summary.dat
nx      :      101
ny      :      101
nz      :      101
xstep:    0.277228  - ystep:      0.277228  - zstep:
      0.277228
xmin:    -14.0000  - ymin:    -14.0000  - zmin:    -14.0000
xmax:     14.0000  - ymax:     14.0000  - zmax:     14.0000
Reading grid.dat
% Compiled module: SKIP_LUN.
Run with viscosity
Output has      8 bytes precision
Variables to be read:
density
vx
vy
vz
pressure
energy density
temperature
entropy density
bulk viscosity
pi^tt
pi^tx
pi^ty
pi^tz
pi^xy
pi^xz
pi^yz
pi^xx
```

```

pi^yy
pi^zz
gamma
Number of variables is:      20
Reading file: out0001.dat
time : 1.00000000
time (or tau) is stored into variable t=      1.00000000
Arrays available: x,y and z of type double with      101      101
      101 elements
Arrays available with their maximum, mean and minimum values:
% Compiled module: MEAN.
rho:      0.10000000      0.10000000      0.10000000
vx:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
vy:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
vz:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
pr:      3.9807911      0.030049485      6.1038367e-05
en:      15.303008      0.13728677      0.00030000000
temp:      0.30648078      0.057427603      0.047645369
entropy:      62.920094      0.69550263      0.0075776172
bu:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
tt:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
tx:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
ty:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
tz:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
xy:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
xz:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
yz:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
xx:      0.66217778      0.0073195439      7.9747652e-05
yy:      0.66217778      0.0073195439      7.9747652e-05
zz:      -0.00015949530      -0.014639088      -1.3243556
v0:      1.00000000      1.00000000      1.00000000

```

It is usually a wise practice not only to check what ECHO-QGP prints to the standard output, but also that the simulation has been properly initialized and the gdl scripts offer a good method to test it.

We can easily check, for example, grid dimensions, grid resolution and what variables will be printed into the output files. Also, we can check that initial velocities are all 0 and that the minimum value of $\pi^{\eta\eta}$ is twice the maximum value of π^{xx} and π^{yy} with changed sign, while other shear viscous tensor components are 0.

It is beyond the scope of this tutorial to teach how to use gdl (or IDL), however we'll give some additional basic information to show how to make some sketchy plots. Further informations can be easily found on the web.¹

Using gdl it is possible to store the data as multidimensional arrays into the RAM of the computer and then extract, print and plot some sections of them.

¹See, for example:

http://www.ita.uni-heidelberg.de/~dullemond/lectures/num_fluid_2009/App_B.pdf or <http://www.sgeier.net/tools/GDL-intro.pdf>

In gdl array indexes start from 0 and intervals are denoted by colons; the arguments of the functions are separated by commas. So, for example, to print to print the first four values of the x array:

```
GDL> print , x(0:3)
      -13.861386      -13.584158      -13.306931      -13.029703
```

To make things faster, you can move across the history of commands using the keyboard arrows and re-edit the commands.

Dimensions inside multi-dimensional arrays are separated by commas. The asterisk means “all elements contained into that dimension”. We can assign the values of a slice of an already existing array to a new array, for example the following `energy_for_z_0` array contains the value of energy density for $\eta = 0$:

```
GDL> energy_for_z_0=reform(en(*,*,50))
GDL> help , energy_for_z_0
ENERGY_FOR_Z_0  DOUBLE      = Array[101, 101]
```

The help command tells what kind of values its argument is; please, remind that gdl is case insensitive (.i.e. “a” and “A” are the same variable).

Here we used *reform* to cut off the dimension with only 1 element. In this particular case, actually it was not needed, but it is recommended to always use it when you wish to cut slices with less dimensions to avoid to get 3D objects instead as 2D, as in this case:

```
GDL> energy_try=en(*,50,*)
GDL> help , energy_try
ENERGY_TRY      DOUBLE      = Array[101, 1, 101]
```

To make a plot, we can type:

```
GDL> plot , x, energy_for_z_0(*,50), xtitle="x (fm)", ytitle="
      Energy density (GeV/fm^3)", psym=2, xrange=[-10,10]
```

and a plot like that in Fig. 6.1 will appear on a separate window (actually, here we show a postscript figure created with a couple of additional commands, see further in this text; plots on the screen usually have b/w colors inverted).

If we didn’t plot the x array together with the *en* slice, then gdl on the x axis would have used only the index numbers of the elements of the slice of the *en* array.

Let’s see now how the energy density profile looks like moving along the η direction at $x=y=0$ (Fig. 6.2):

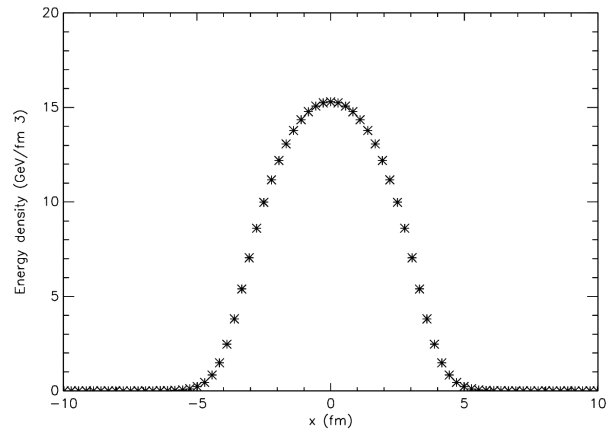


Figure 6.1: Plot of energy density in GeV/fm^3 at $\tau = 1 \text{ fm}/c$ for $y = \eta = 0$.

```
GDL> plot, z, en(50,50,*), xtitle="eta", ytitle="Energy density (
    GeV/fm^3)", xrange=[-10,10]
```

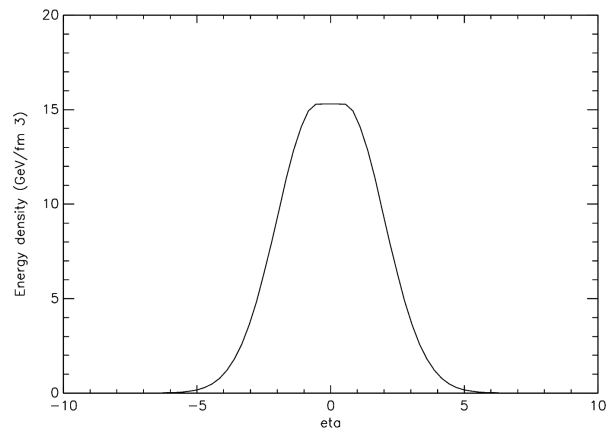


Figure 6.2: Plot of energy density in GeV/fm^3 at $\tau = 1 \text{ fm}/c$ for $x = y = 0$.

Now let's make a surface plot of the energy density along the $x - \eta$ plane for $y = 0$ (Fig. 6.3):

```
GDL> surface, reform(en(*,50,*)), x, z, xtitle="x (fm)", ytitle="
    eta", ztitle="En. dens. (GeV/fm^3)", xrange=[-10,10], yrange
    =[-10,10]
```

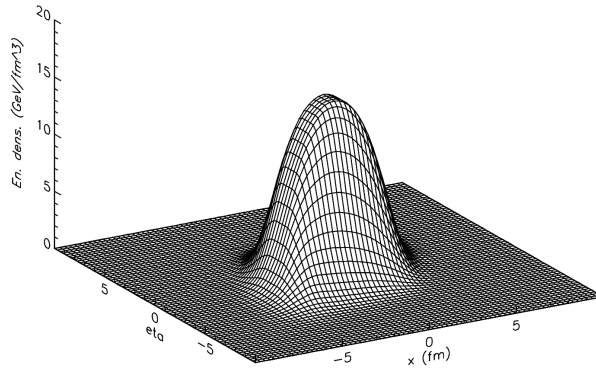


Figure 6.3: Surface plot of energy density in GeV/fm^3 at $\tau = 1 \text{ fm}/c$ for $y = 0$.

Let's replot the same quantities, but using a contour plot (Fig. 6.5):

```
GDL> set_plot , 'ps'
GDL> device , filename="plot4.ps"
GDL> contour, reform(en(*,50,*)), x, z, xtitle="x (fm)", ytitle="
eta", xrange=[-6,6],yrange=[-5,5], LEVELS = [0.0, 2.5, 5.,
7.5, 10., 12.5, 15, 17.5, 20.], C_LABELS = [1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0,
1, 0, 1]
GDL> device , /close
```

Now, let's have a look at what is the situation at a later time, using the fortran utilities.

Output data are written into binary files; the *readx.exe* utility extracts these data into separate files for each variable in ascii format.

Calling *readx.exe* without any argument prints an help message:

```
./readx.exe
Please, insert the range of echo-qgp output files from which you
want to extract values.
(Optionally, you can also write the name of the directory where
the output files will be written)
(default: postproc/readx)
```

If we are interested only in output at $\tau = 10.0 \text{ fm}/c$, we can look at the *time.dat* file and, after reading that corresponding output data number is 91, we can type:

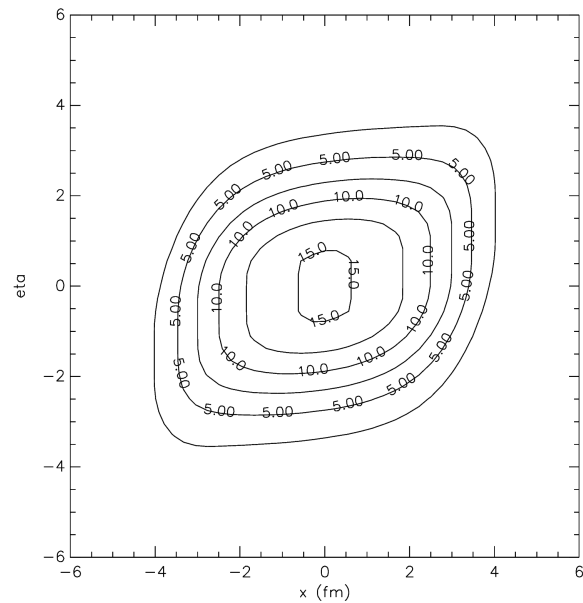


Figure 6.4: Contour plot of energy density in GeV/fm^3 at $\tau = 1 \text{ fm}/c$ for $y = 0$.

```
./readx.exe 91 91
time= 9.9999999999999822
```

If we wished to extract all output data from $\tau = 4.5 \text{ fm}/c$ to $\tau = 4.8 \text{ fm}/c$ we would use:

```
./readx.exe 36 39
time= 4.5000000000000009
time= 4.6000000000000005
time= 4.7000000000000002
time= 4.7999999999999998
```

Now, we copy the utility `fromecho.exe` into the new created `postproc/readx` directory and then we enter into it:

```
cp fromecho.exe postproc/readx
cd postproc/readx
```

Calling `fromecho.exe` without any arguments prints an help message:

```
./fromecho.exe
Synopsis:
To extract data from the left to the right border of the grid
  along x, y or z direction:
./fromecho input_file output_file x|y|z
To extract data using a specific range along one direction and
  fixing the other ones at a point:
./fromecho input_file output_file x|y|z x-indx-start x-indx-end y
  -indx-start y-indx-end z-indx-start z-indx-end
Please, note that starting and ending indexes of the fixed
  directions must be equal
Usage example: ./fromecho prova_input prova_output y 33 33 2 150
  44 44
This extracts data from file prova_inputs and write the values
  along y direction from point with index 2 to
  point with index 150, fixing x at index 33 and z at index 44
```

We extract the value of temperature at $\tau = 10 fm/c$ along the x axis for $y = \eta = 0$:

```
./fromecho.exe T0091.dat temperature_x_tau_10.0.dat x
```

Now extract the value of temperature at $\tau = 10 fm/c$ along the η axis for $x = y = 0$, for all the η range (reminding that now indexes go from 1 to 101):

```
./fromecho.exe T0091.dat temperature_z_tau_10.0.dat z 51 51 51 51
  1 101
```

All the files created by fromecho.exe consists of two columns: the first one is the coordinate position, the second one the value of the variable. This data format can be easily read by many plotting software.

For example, using gnuplot (Fig. 6.5):

```
gnuplot
G N U P L O T
Version 4.6 patchlevel 0    last modified 2012-03-04
Build System: Linux x86_64

Copyright (C) 1986-1993, 1998, 2004, 2007-2012
Thomas Williams, Colin Kelley and many others

gnuplot home:      http://www.gnuplot.info
faq, bugs, etc:    type "help FAQ"
immediate help:    type "help" (plot window: hit 'h')

Terminal type set to 'wxt'
gnuplot> set term pos eps col enh font "Helvetica, 22"
Terminal type set to 'postscript'
```



```
Options are 'eps enhanced defaultplex \
leveldefault color colortext \
dashed dashlength 1.0 linewidth 1.0 butt noclip \
nobackground \
palfuncparam 2000,0.003 \
"Helvetica" 22 fontscale 1.0 '
gnuplot> set out "temperature.eps"
gnuplot> set ylabel "Temperature (GeV)"
gnuplot> set xlabel "{/Symbol h}"
gnuplot> plot "./temperature_z_tau_10.0.dat" with linespoints lt 7
linecolor 3 notitle
```

We remind that the image files in Encapsulated Postscript (.eps) format can be converted into Portable Document Format (.pdf) with the utility ps2pdf, e.g.:

```
ps2pdf -dEPSCrop temperature.eps
```

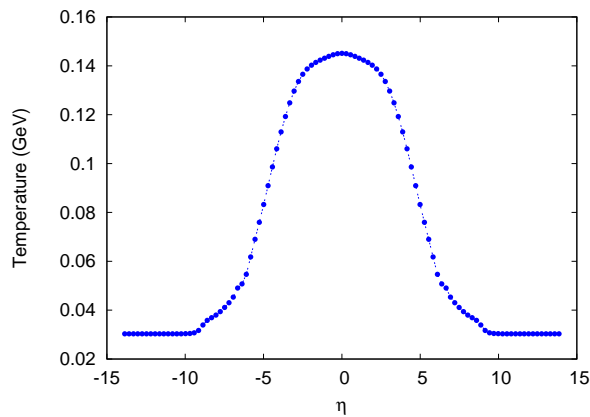


Figure 6.5: Test A - Temperature profile at $\tau = 10 \text{ fm}/c$ for $y = \eta = 0$.

We can use the utility *fromecho2d.exe* to extract values for a 2D slice of the grid, for example:

```
./fromecho2d.exe T0091.dat tempxz91.dat x z
```

Then, we can use a gnuplot script like the following to plot the data:

```
# Set terminal and output
set terminal pngcairo size 900, 900 enhanced font 'Helvetica,22'
set encoding utf8
set output 'contour91xz.png'
```

```

# Set plot properties
set size square
set pm3d
unset surface
set view map
set key outside
set pm3d interpolate 0,0 # interpolate the color

# Set the color palette
set palette model RGB defined ( 0 'black', 1 'blue', 2 'cyan', 3 'green', 4 'yellow', 5 'red', 6 'purple' )

# Set the axes
set xlabel 'x (fm)'
set ylabel "{/Symbol h}"
set clabel "Temperature (MeV)"

# Draw the plot
splot 'tempxz91.dat' u 1:2:($3*1000.) notitle

```

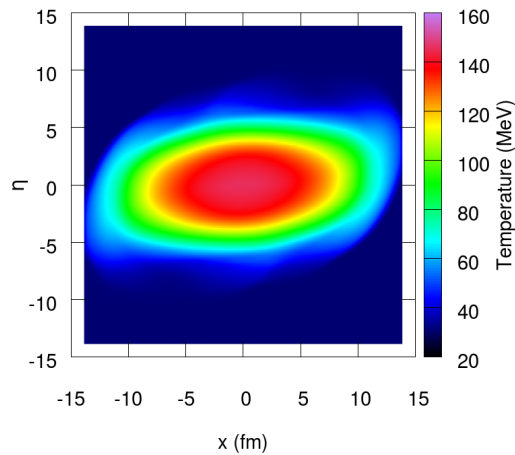


Figure 6.6: Test A - Contour of temperature (MeV) at $\tau = 10 \text{ fm}/c$ for $y = 0$.

A copy of the plotted datafile `tempxz91.dat` can be found in `tests/testA`. Now let's see how to compute the thermal particle spectra. From the ECHO-QGP main directory of sources we enter the analysis subdirectory and we compile the tools:

```
make
```

We remind that, to make use of OPENMP, the user has to edit the makefile and export some environment variable, see 5.3 for more details. Using the following configuration file settings.txt:

```
! This is the file containg the settings for the routine producing
  the spectra
! *** ECHO-RELATED
dim.....=3                                ! 1+1, 2+1, 3+1
      dimension for the simulation
visco_hyd=1                                ! Is it a viscous hydro
      simulation? 0=no, 1=yes
visco_spe=1                                ! viscosity corrections
      to the distribution function? 0=no, 1=yes
vorticity=0                                ! Evaluate vorticity on
      hypersurface
nout.....=0                                ! total number of
      outputs (if 0 reads all available)
! *** PARTICLE-RELATED
npt.....=40                                ! points for the
      transverse momentum
ptmin....=0.0                              ! min transverse
      momentum
ptmax....=4.0                              ! max transverse
      momentum
nphi.....=36                                ! points for the polar
      angle
phimin...=0.0                              ! min polar angle
phimax...=6.28318530718                    ! max polar angle
nrap.....=41                                ! points for the
      particle rapidity
rapmin...=-4.0                             ! min rapidity
rapmax...=4.0                             ! max rapidity
listorseq=2                                ! 0- all; 1-sequence
      ID_start-ID_stop; 2-list; 3-stable
ID_start.=211                              ! ID of first particle
      to be considered
ID_stop..=-10213                           ! ID of last particle to
      be considered
part_list=2                                ! particles in the list
211
3122
antibar..=1                                ! 1=on 0=off
chempot..=1                                ! read chemical
      potential from ../eos_data/chemical_potential.txt; 0 ste mu=0
! *** INPUT
inputdir.=../outr0001/                     ! input directory
ioutdir..=../outr0001/spectra/             ! output directory
file.....=out                             ! name of the ECHO
      outout file
```

```

! *** RANDOM SEED (saved anyway)
seed....=0                                ! if 0 generates random
      seed, otherwise use that
ptbox...=3.0                              ! upper limit for mc box
phibox...=0                               ! if 0 is 2*pi
ybox....=00.0                             ! upper limit for mc box
! *** HISTOGRAM-RELATED
mxv_pt...=3.0                             ! max value for pt
mnv_pt...=0.0                             ! min value for pt
mxv_ang..=6.28318                         ! max value for phi
mnv_ang..=0.0                             ! min value for phi
mxv_y....=0.0                             ! max value for y
mnv_y....=-0.0                           ! min value for y
binpt....=50                             !
binphi...=1                              !
binrap...=1                              !
6.28318530718

```

we can compute the thermal spectra of π^+ , Λ^0 and $\overline{\Lambda}^0$, taking into account the viscous corrections to the distribution function.

Please, remember to create the `outr0001/spectra` directory before running the tool.

After executing the program:

```
./thermal.exe
```

we can enter into `outr0001/spectra` and make some plots:

```
gnuplot plot_pionplus_spectra.gp
```

The plot files can be quickly converted from EPS to PDF with

```
for i in *.eps; do ps2pdf -dEPSCrop $i; done
```

(See figures [6.7](#), [6.8](#), [6.9](#), [6.10](#)).

6.2 2D shock tube - test B

This is a simple test of a 2D shock wave.

The `param.dat` files of this test can be found into the `tests/testB` directory. The initial state is simply constituted by a sharp jump in pressure when crossing the $y = -x$ locus, whose values can be adjusted editing the `init.f90` file a few lines after the condition:

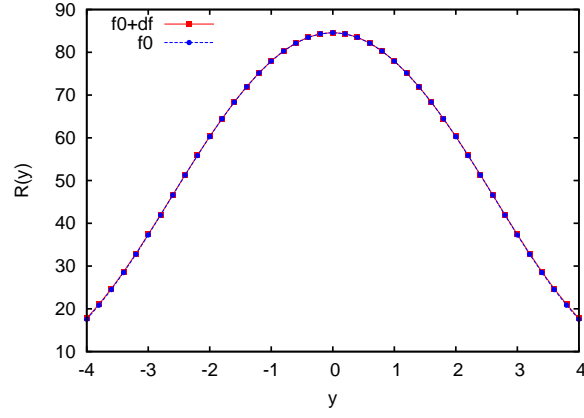


Figure 6.7: Test A - $dNdy$ of π^+ particles. Red color means that viscous corrections to thermal distribution have been taken into account, blue color means not.

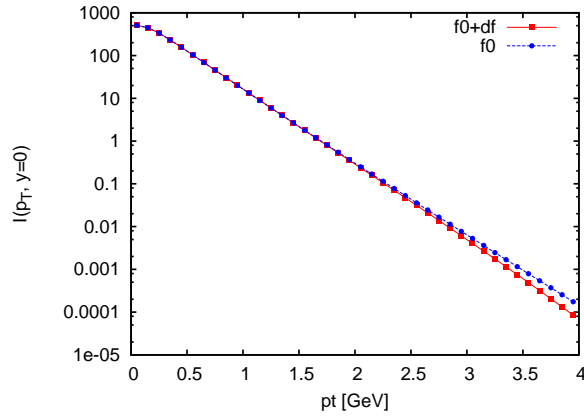


Figure 6.8: Test A - $I(p_T, y = 0)$ of π^+ particles. Red color means that viscous corrections to thermal distribution have been taken into account, blue color means not.

```
else if ( init_type .eq. SHOCK_TUBE_2D) then
```

```
if (y(iy) .lt. -x(ix)) then
  vv(kpr)=5.401411
else
  vv(kpr)=0.337588
end if
```

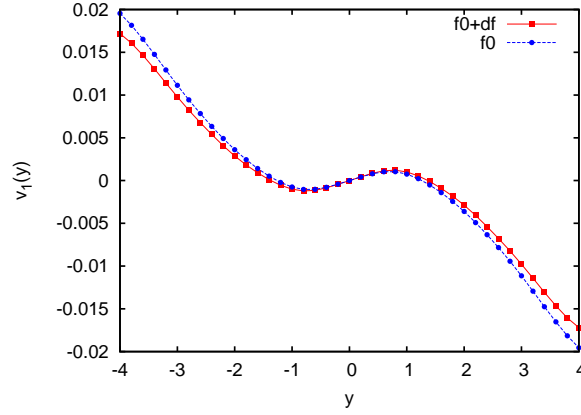


Figure 6.9: Test A - Directed flow of π^+ particles. Red color means that viscous corrections to thermal distribution have been taken into account, blue color means not.

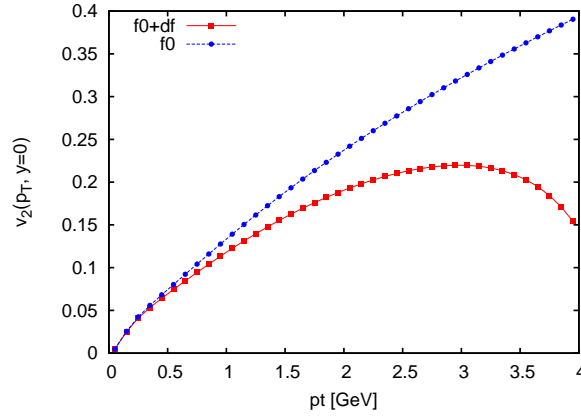


Figure 6.10: Test A - Elliptic flow of π^+ particles. Red color means that viscous corrections to thermal distribution have been taken into account, blue color means not.

After compiling ECHO-QGP, we run ECHO-QGP a few times using different values for η/s , changing the ETA_S parameter into param.dat. We can also execute an inviscid simulation setting the parameter VISCOUS..=0. Please, take care to not overwrite the results of the various simulations, either renaming the output directory after the end of each simulation or using the -o flag when launching the program (e.g. ./echo.exe -o out_2Dtest).

First, we check if the initial conditions are correct.

We copy the tools/readvar.pro gdl script into the output directory (e.g. outr0001, but it could have a different name) and then we use it:

```
cd outr0001
gdl
```

```
GDL> readvar , 0001
```

We can make a sketchy plot simply typing:

```
GDL> plot , x, pr(*,100)
```

This is fine to make a simple check, but, if we wish to prepare a better quality plot, we can export the data to a file and then use it another tool (e.g. gnuplot, grace and many others). To perform this task, we can use the fortran postprocessing tools or gdl itself, preparing, for example, a script like (file tests/testB/tofile.pro):

```
openw, 12, "initial_pressure_testB.dat"

;please, change the for-cycle interval accordingly with your grid
;remind that array indexes in gnudatalanguage start from 0
;for example, if you have a 201x201 grid, initial and final values
;are 0 and 200
;and, if the grid is symmetric respect to the origin, the index
;corresponding to 0 is 100
for i=0,200 do begin
    printf, 12, x(i), pr(i,100)
endfor

free_lun, 12

END
```

If we run the script with:

```
GDL> .r tofile
```

we should get an ascii file called initial_pressure_testB.dat which we can plot using another program (6.11): Assuming to have executed four simulations, one inviscid and the other three with $\eta/s = 0.001, 0.01, 0.1$, after compiling the fortran tools and copying them into the output directory, we can extract the data at the end of the run ($\tau = 4$ fm/c) with:

```
./readx.exe 31 31
```

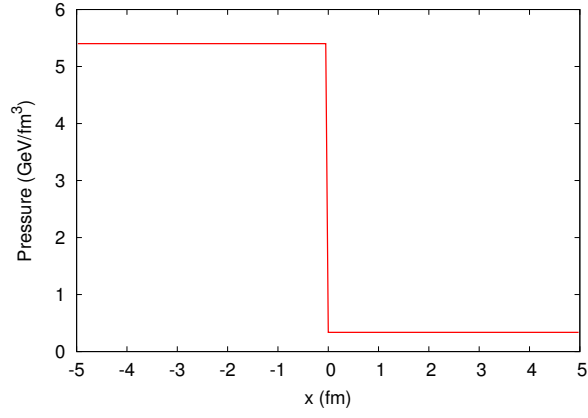


Figure 6.11: Test B - Initial pressure profile at $\tau = 1$, fm/c for $y = 0$.

followed by (into the postproc/readx directory):

```
./fromecho.exe EPS0031.dat en0_1.dat x 1 201 101 101 1 1
./fromecho.exe VX0031.dat vx0_1.dat x 1 201 101 101 1 1
```

In the previous example, the name of the output files refer to energy density and V_x of the run with $\eta/s = 0.1$.

In the `tests/testB` directory there is a simple gnuplot script to plot the results after gathering them in a common directory (Fig. 6.12 and 6.13).

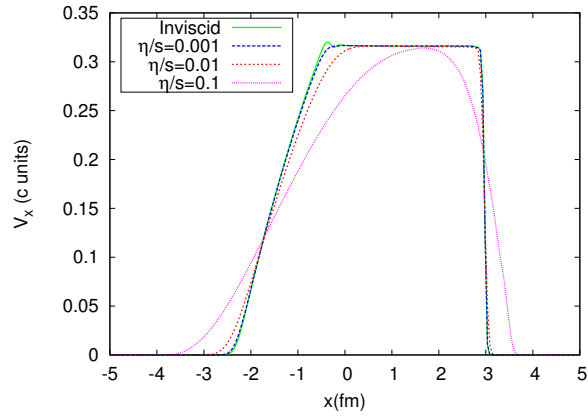


Figure 6.12: Test B - Comparison of V_x profiles at $\tau = 4$, fm/c for $y = 0$.

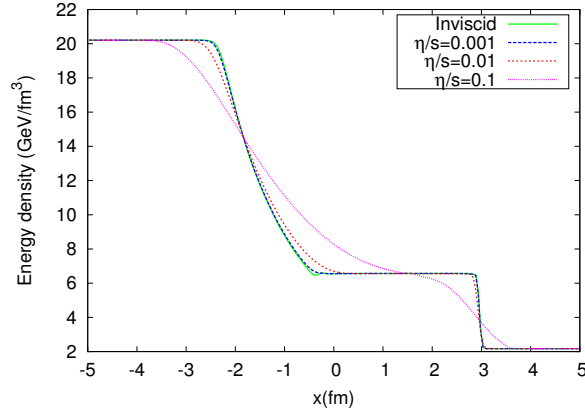


Figure 6.13: Test B - Comparison of energy density profiles at $\tau = 4, fm/c$ for $y = 0$.

6.3 1D viscous shear flow test - test C

This is merely the execution of the test described in section 4.3 and [6]. The file `param.dat` to set up the simulation can be found in `tests/testC`. The results can be examined with the usual tools, following the procedures already shown in the previous examples:

```
./readx.exe 91 91
./fromecho.exe VY0091.dat vy.dat x 1 301 1 1 1 1
```

A simple gnuplot script (`plot1D.gp`) to plot the results is also included.

6.4 Gubser flow test - test D

The description of this test can be found on [12] [8], here we'll simply summarize what do to perform it.

First, we need a set of initial values, which can be found into the `tests/testD` directory. This file, named `Initial_Profile_GubserFlow.dat`, has been produced with *Maple 12* executing the worksheet `initial_conditions_maple12.mw` contained into the same directory. The settings inside `param.dat` must match those of the tabulated initial conditions (e.g. the grid) and also τ_π , η/s and the relation between temperature and energy density must correspond to what chosen for computing the input file with initial conditions. The file `tests/testD/param.dat` works with the provided initial conditions.

To complete the setup, the user has to comment/uncomment the temperature

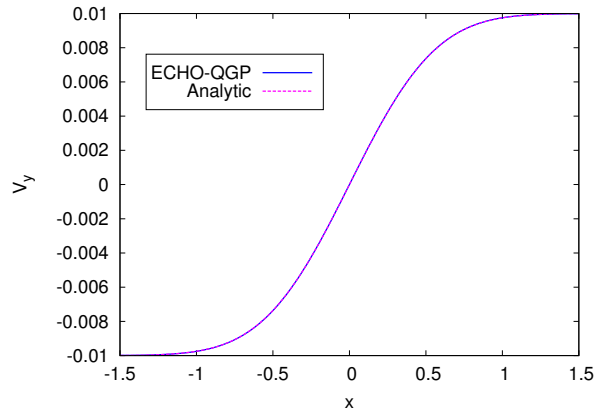


Figure 6.14: Test C - Comparison between the analytical solution and ECHO-QGP at $\tau = 10$ fm/c.

relation with energy density inside the `eos_data/temperature.def` file, clean the sources with `make clean` and recompile ECHO-QGP. If the grid used for computing the initial conditions is changed, then it is required to change not only the lines defining the grid into `param.dat`, but also the checks contained into `init.f90` after the line with comment “! GUBSERCHECKS”.

Since in this test we wish to compare the evolution of some variables with the semianalytical solutions obtained numerically with some external code, we need also these solutions. In the `tests/testD` directory we provide the solutions computed with *Maple 12* at $\tau = 4$ fm/c; the Maple worksheet can be reused, with only minor changes, to compute the solutions at different times and/or with different grid resolutions.

After the end of the run, we can check the results. There are many ways to do it, here we’ll use `gdl` and `gnuplot`.

```
cd outr0001
```

```
gdl
```

We can use the shell commands inside *gnudatalanguage* adding a dollar (\$) sign before issuing the command. For example, to list the files inside the current directory to check if the script `readvar.pro` is there we can type:

```
GDL> $ls -l | grep readvar
-rw-r--r-- 1 g g 12562 mag 9 02:42 readvar.pro
```

Now we read the output at $\tau = 4$ fm/c (please, remind that you can look at time.dat to see what is the output number corresponding to that time).

```
GDL> readvar, 0031
% Compiled module: READVAR.
This program reads the output of echo-qgp
Reading grid_summary.dat
nx      :      401
ny      :      401
nz      :        1
xstep:    0.0500000  - ystep:    0.0500000  - zstep:
          2.000000
xmin:    -10.0250  - ymin:    -10.0250  - zmin:    -1.00000
xmax:     10.0250  - ymax:     10.0250  - zmax:     1.00000
Reading grid.dat
% Compiled module: SKIP_LUN.
Run with viscosity
Output has      8 bytes precision
Variables to be read:
density
vx
vy
vz
pressure
energy density
temperature
entropy density
bulk viscosity
pi^tt
pi^tx
pi^ty
pi^tz
pi^xy
pi^xz
pi^yz
pi^xx
pi^yy
pi^zz
gamma
Number of variables is:      20
Reading file: out0031.dat
time : 4.00000000
time (or tau) is stored into variable t=      4.00000000
Arrays available: x,y and z of type double with      401      401
          1 elements
Arrays available with their maximum, mean and minimum values:
% Compiled module: MEAN.
rho:      0.21052070      0.12870059      0.0034551016
vx:      0.97009619      8.2463097e-16      -0.97009619
vy:      0.97009619      -6.2895014e-15      -0.97009619
vz:      0.00000000      0.00000000      0.00000000
pr:      0.0074253124      0.0010125367      1.0013452e-05
en:      0.022275937      0.0030376102      3.0040355e-05
temp:      0.059237610      0.027047653      0.011351802
```

entropy:	0.50139177	0.088629927	0.0035284097
bu:	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
tt:	0.0000000	-0.0011994727	-0.0089583879
tx:	0.0093095075	-3.2743781e-18	-0.0093095075
ty:	0.0093095075	-6.1862789e-18	-0.0093095075
tz:	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
xy:	0.0044716459	1.7072896e-18	-0.0044716459
xz:	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
yz:	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.0000000
xx:	1.1768752e-05	-0.00081962219	-0.0096843503
yy:	1.1768752e-05	-0.00081962219	-0.0096843503
zz:	0.00010049364	2.7411661e-05	-3.8899064e-07
v0:	4.1203721	1.9250202	1.0000000

Now we read the tabulated file with the solutions computed by Maple using the script `read_M12.pro`, in the `tests/testD` directory:

```
GDL> .r read_M12
% Compiled module: $MAIN$.
mx12,my12,mtemp12,mux12,muy12,mpixx12,mpiyy12,mipxy12,mpitt12,
mpitx12,mpity12,mpizz12
```

The script reads the file `maple_gub_full_y_eq_x_tau_4.0`; the user can easily modify the worksheet to read other files with the same structure. Now we prepare the data for plotting. We are interested in the values with coordinates $x = y$, so first we declare an array to store these values:

```
GDL> a=dblarr(401)
```

Then we fill the array, in this example with the values of $u^x = \gamma v^x$:

```
GDL> for i=0,400 do a(i)=v0(i,i)*vx(i,i)
```

And now we print the values to compare into the file `ux-comparison.dat`:

```
GDL> openw, 12, "ux-comparison.dat"
GDL> for i=0,400 do printf, 12, x(i), a(i), mux12(i)
GDL> free_lun, 12
```

Now we can make the plot with `gnuplot`:

```
set term pos eps col enh font "Helvetica,22"
set out "ux.eps"
set xlabel "x (fm)"
set ylabel "u^x (c units)"
set key top left box
```

```
plot "ux_comparison.dat" u 1:2 w l lt 1 lc 3 lw 3 title "ECHO-QGP"
, "ux_comparison.dat" u 1:3 w l lt 3 lc 4 lw 3 title "
Semianalytic"
```

The commands are gathered into the `plot-ux.gp` script under `tests/testD`, which can be executed with:

```
gnuplot plot-ux.gp
```

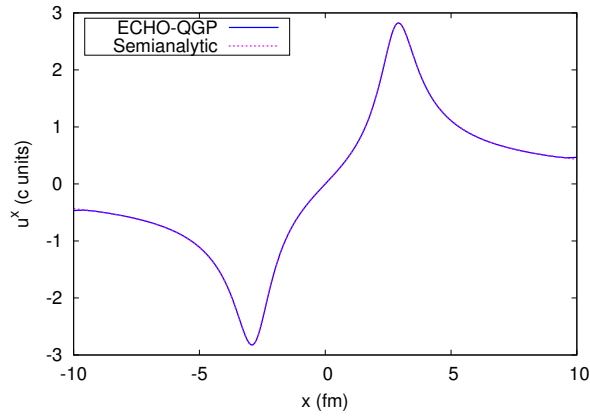


Figure 6.15: Test D - Comparison between the semianalytical solution and ECHO-QGP results at $\tau = 4 \text{ fm}/c$.

Into the `tests/testD` directory there are a few more plots of other variables, obtained with the same procedure.

6.5 Initialization with a tabulated file - test E

In this kind of initialization, the initial entropy density distribution is provided with an ascii tabulated file.

Changing the `IENENTR` parameter from 1 to 0, it is also possible to initialize ECHO-QGP using an energy density distribution. The name of the input file can be chosen with the `IN_D_FILE` parameter.

The input file for this example is created with a short python script (`init_tab.py`) that computes a simple gaussian distribution. The script and the `param.dat` file to configure ECHO-QGP are into the `tests/testE` directory. See figures 6.16 and 6.17.

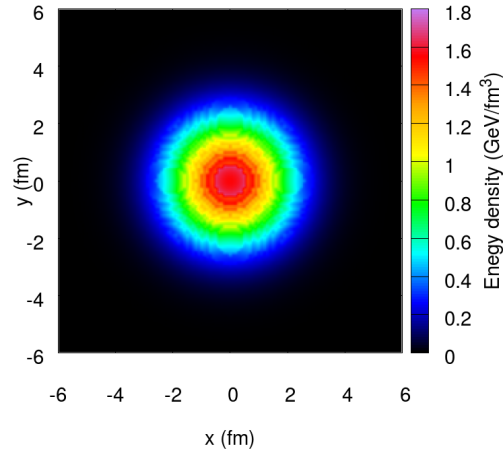


Figure 6.16: Test E - Initial energy density distribution at $\tau = 1 \text{ fm}/c$.

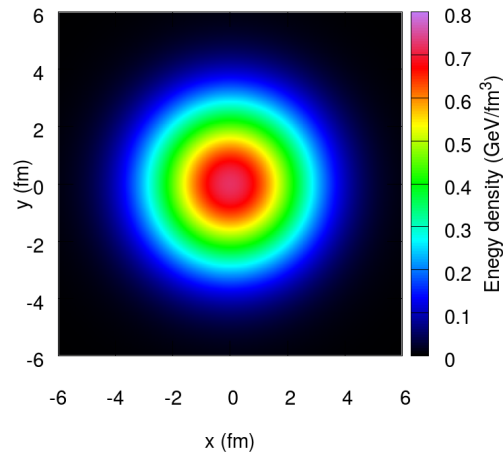


Figure 6.17: Test E - Energy density distribution at $\tau = 5 \text{ fm}/c$.

6.6 Glauber Monte Carlo initialization - test F

In the `tests/testF` directory can be found a `param.dat` file to initialize a Glauber-Monte Carlo simulation.

The random seed determines what will be the sequence of events, so, using the same random seed, saved into the file `random_seed.dat`, it is possible to reproduce the same initial series of events.

Other parameters can be adjusted editing the first lines of `glaubermc.f90`.

In this example, we try to produce a series of events from a sequence of 500 nuclear configurations, each with 20 different impact parameters, getting 1881 events which satisfy our selection criteria (i.e., a minimum of 18 participants, as specified with the option `min_participants=18` at the beginning of file `glaubermc.f90`). The results are stored into the file `partcoll.dat`. From this list, we select the event with id 67, but we can choose a sequence of events instead of a single one.

Now we plot the initial energy density distribution. The procedure, for each plot, is the same, apart, obviously, for the names of the files. For the event with id 67:

we compile the fortran postprocessing tools:

```
make tools
```

```
cp tools/readx.exe outr0067
```

```
cd outr0067
```

We are interested in the first and last output files, so:

```
./readx 1 1
```

```
./readx 94 94
```

```
cp ../tools/fromecho*.exe postproc/readx
```

```
cd postproc/readx
```

```
./fromecho2d.exe EPS0001.dat en_out1.dat x y
```

```
gnuplot contour_out1.gp
```

The Fig. 6.18 shows the initial energy distribution on the $\eta = 0$ (x,y) plane at $\tau = 1$ fm/c. Now we look at the energy density profile as a function of η for

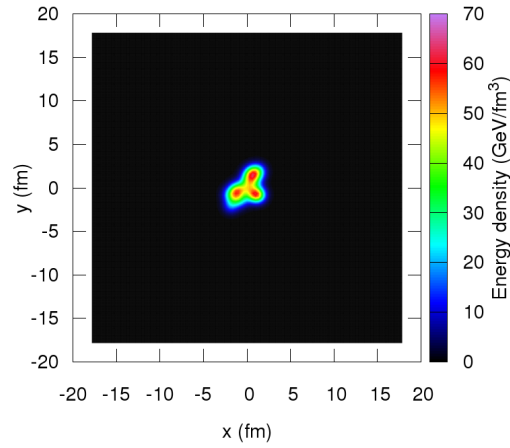


Figure 6.18: Test F - Initial energy density distribution at $\tau = 1$ fm/c with Glauber-MonteCarlo initialization.

$x = y = 0$ (Fig. 6.19):

```
./fromecho.exe EPS0001.dat energy_vs_eta_tau1.dat z 56 56 56 56 1
81
```

```
gnuplot plot_en_vs_eta.gp
```

Now we plot the initial energy distribution on the $\eta = 0$ (x,y) plane at $\tau = 10.22$ fm/c (last output frame before the end of the simulation, i.e. when the maximum temperature on the grid was less than 137 MeV) (Fig. 6.20).

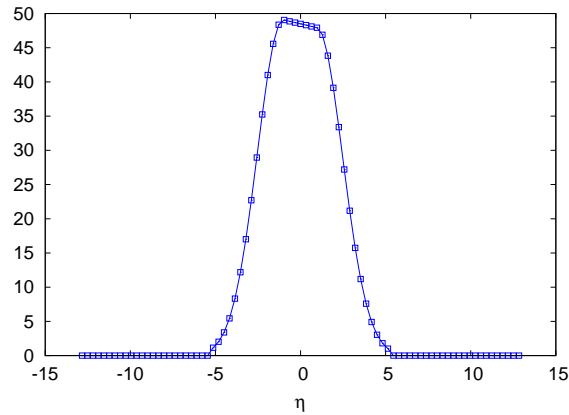


Figure 6.19: Test F - Initial energy density vs η at $\tau = 1 \text{ fm}/c$ and $x = y = 0$ (Glauber-MonteCarlo initialization).

```
./fromecho2d.exe EPS0094.dat en_out94.dat x y
```

```
gnuplot contour_out94.gp
```

6.7 Run with “tilted” initial conditions - test G

In this example we run a simulation with Geometric Glauber initial conditions, without viscous effects, but with a “tilted” energy density distribution. The files related to this example can be found into the `tests/testG` directory. Using the same procedure shown in the previous example (test F), we draw a contour plot of the initial energy distribution, to visually verify the effect of “tilting” (Fig. 6.21).

Now, since this is a simulation without viscosity effects, we use the GDL postprocessing utilities to verify the conservation of total energy and angular momentum during the fluid evolution.

So, after copying from the `tools` directory into the `outr0001` directory the `readvar.pro` and `ce.pro` scripts, we launch `gdl` and we run them:

```
GDL> readvar , 0001
```

```
GDL> ce
```

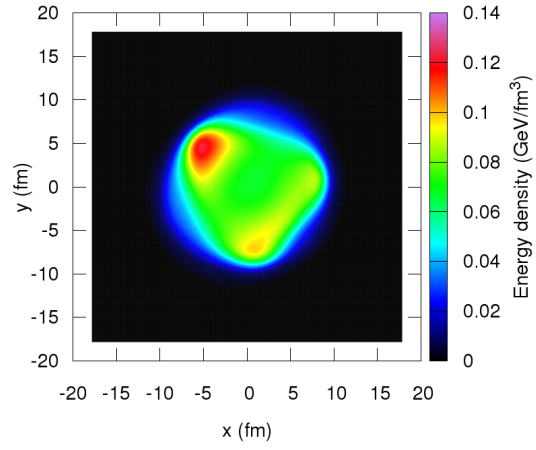


Figure 6.20: Test F - Initial energy density distribution at $\tau = 10.22 \text{ fm}/c$ with Glauber-MonteCarlo initialization.

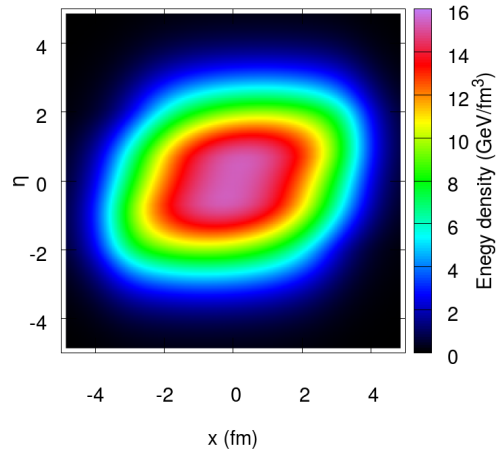


Figure 6.21: Test G - Initial energy density distribution at $\tau = 1 \text{ fm}/c$.

getting, for $\tau = 1 \text{ fm}/c$:

Total energy: 12400.207

J^y : -5838.3068

then, to see what are the total energy and the angular momentum J^y at $\tau = 11$ fm/c:

readvar , 0101

ce

getting:

Total energy: 12371.264

J^y : -5834.8883

So, in this run, total energy was conserved within a $\sim 0.2\%$ while , for J^y , within a $\sim 0.06\%$.

Chapter 7

Particle spectra production

We always refer to the Minkowski and Bjorken metrics respectively as

$$g_M^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad g^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & -\frac{1}{\tau^2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (7.1)$$

We convert the description from hydro to particles, using the Cooper-Frye prescription. Referring directly to the article by Cooper and Frye [13]:

$$E \frac{d^3 N_i}{dp^3} = \frac{d^3 N_i}{dy p_T dp_T d\phi} = \frac{g_i}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{\Sigma} \frac{p^\mu d^3 \Sigma_\mu}{\exp \frac{u^\mu p_\mu - \mu_i}{T_{FO}} \pm 1} \quad (7.2)$$

The index i refers to the nature of the particle. Note that this time the rapidity y refers to the produced particle, and not the fluid! The decomposition of the particle four-momentum must be consistent with the Milne coordinates:

$$p^\mu = \begin{pmatrix} m_T \cosh(y - \eta_s) \\ p_T \cos \phi \\ p_T \sin \phi \\ \frac{m_T}{\tau} \sinh(y - \eta_s) \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} m_T &= \sqrt{m_i^2 + p_T^2} \\ p_T &= \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2} \\ y &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (7.3)$$

The current version of the particle spectra production routines **only works in Milne (Bjorken) coordinates**.

7.1 hypersurface.f90 in ECHO-QGP

The task of the routine `hypersurface.f90` included in ECHO-QGP is to find, store and print the coordinates of the hypersurface detected during the hydrodynamic evolution. The user can choose the hypersurface to be isothermal or constant energy, using the switch `HYP_COMPU` in the `param.dat` file.

The routine checks in every space-time direction if two adjacent cells are one above and one below the criterion. Let US refer to the cells with the index i , being the direction positive with crescent i (es. $x_{i+1} > x_i$); and F_i, F_{i+1}, F^* respectively the selected field (temperature or energy density) in the adjacent cells and of the constant hypersurface. Then we know that the hypersurface lies between the considered cells if

$$(F_{i+1} - F^*)(F^* - F_i) \geq 0$$

When this happens we store all the needed information, namely

in the ideal case

an array with 13 entries:

1. τ or t
2. x
3. y
4. η or z
5. ρ
6. v^x
7. v^y
8. v^η or v^z
9. p
10. $dV^{\perp\tau}$ or $dV^{\perp t}$
11. $dV^{\perp x}$
12. $dV^{\perp y}$
13. $dV^{\perp\eta}$ or $dV^{\perp z}$

the variables are computed interpolating linearly, using a weight w :

$$w = \frac{F_i - F^*}{F_i - F_{i+1}}$$

The volume element in the bjorken case is defined as

$$dV = \begin{cases} dV^{\perp\tau} = s^\tau \tau \Delta x \Delta y \Delta \eta & (\text{fm}^3) \\ dV^{\perp x} = s^x \tau \Delta \tau \Delta y \Delta \eta & (\text{fm}^3) \\ dV^{\perp y} = s^y \tau \Delta \tau \Delta x \Delta \eta & (\text{fm}^3) \\ dV^{\perp\eta} = \frac{s^\eta}{\tau} \Delta \tau \Delta x \Delta y & (\text{fm}^2) \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad s^\mu = -\text{sign} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial x^\mu} \right)$$

note that currently for most cells just one of the dV component is not vanishing.

The above described array is printed in the file `hypersurface.txt` in the output folder. This file contains as a first row the selected switch (namely `FREEZKIND`), the temperature (in GeV) of the hypersurface and its energy density (GeVfm^{-3}). After the first row it contains a block for each time-step. The block head is an integer: it is the number of frozen cells contained which corresponds to the amount of lines to be read before finding another block. Each one of these lines is a frozen cell, where the column index refers to the array “hypersurface” described above. For the ideal case the columns are 13, for the viscous one the columns are 25.

7.2 Particle spectra routines

All the spectra routines are contained in the folder `analisi`. There are four separate programs:

thermal which can be build with the command `make thermal`

utils_therm which can be build with the command `make utils_therm`

MCgen which can be build with the command `make MCgen`

utils_histogram which can be build with the command `make utils_histogram`

Issuing just the `make` command, just `thermal` and `MCgen` are produced.

`thermal` produces the averaged spectra of the selected particle specie, whereas `MCgen` produces a random sample of such particles. This last program needs some of the output files of the former, but since the computational load for `thermal` is heavy, the user can exploit `utils_therm` to produce just the files needed by the Monte Carlo generator, saving time. `utils_histogram`, instead allows the user to re-arrange in different binnings the histogram produced by `MCgen`

All these programs need the file `settings.txt` to be carefully filled in.

7.3 How to configure the particle production

All the programs contained in the folder `analisi` use as configuration file `settings.txt`, although not all parameters are effectively used in each program. In the listing 7.1 an example of the configuration file is provided. As we did in ECHO-QGP configuration file, also this `settings.txt` is divided into sections and most important needs **its structure not to be altered**.

```

1 ! This is the file containg the settings for the routine...
2 ! *** ECHO-RELATED
3 dim.....=3                      ! 1+1, 2+1, 3+...
4 visco_hyd=1                      ! Is it a visc...
5 visco_spe=1                      ! viscosity co...
6 vorticity=1                      ! Evaluate vor...
7 nout.....=0                      ! total number...
8 ! *** PARTICLE-RELATED
9 npt.....=41                     ! points for t...
10 ptmin....=0.0                   ! min transver...
11 ptmax....=4.0                   ! max transver...
12 nphi.....=36                    ! points for t...
13 phimin...=0.0                   ! min polar an...
14 phimax...=6.28318530718         ! max polar an...
15 nrap.....=41                     ! points for t...
16 rapmin...=-4.0                  ! min rapidity
17 rapmax...=4.0                   ! max rapidity
18 listorseq=0                     ! 0- all; 1-se...
19 ID_start.=211                   ! ID of first ...
20 ID_stop..=-10213                ! ID of last p...
21 part_list=0                     ! particles in...
22 antibar..=1                     ! 1=on 0=off
23 chempot..=1
24 ! *** INPUT
25 inputdir.=../out001/            ! hypersurface...
26 ioutdir..=../out001/spectra/    ! output paren...
27 mcoutdir.=../out001/mc001/      ! output child...
28 file.....=out                   ! name of the ...
29 ! *** RANDOM SEED (saved anyway)
30 seed.....=0                     ! if 0 generat...
31 ptbox....=3.0                   ! upper limit ...
32 phibox...=0                     ! if 0 is 2*pi
33 ybox.....=6.0                   ! upper limit ...
34 oversmpl.=1.0                   ! should be 1....
35 ! *** HISTOGRAM-RELATED
36 mxv_pt...=4.0                   ! max value fo...
37 mnv_pt...=0.0                   ! min value fo...
38 mxv_ang..=6.28318               ! max value fo...
39 mnv_ang..=0.0                   ! min value fo...
40 mxv_y....=3.0                   ! max value fo...
41 mnv_y....=-3.0                  ! min value fo...
42 binpt....=10                    !
43 binphi...=1                     !
44 binrap...=11                    !
45 6.28318530718

```

Listing 7.1: Example of settings.txt

Despite all programs read the settings file, not all the variables are being used in each.

7.3.1 ECHO-QGP related parameters

This section contains the parameters and the flags related to the hydrodynamic part of the simulation, such as the

dim *integer*- flag. Sets the dimensionality of the ECHO-QGP simulation. Allowed values are 2 or 3, for (1+2)-D and (3+1)-D simulations respectively. If the cross-check with the output with ECHO-QGP gives a different dimensionality the code quits with an error message.

visco_hyd *integer*- flag. Passes to the program the information about the ECHO-QGP simulation: must be 1 if the simulation was a viscous one, 0 if it was ideal. Note that the file containing the hypersurface information and the array listed in section 7.1 are allocated accordingly.

visco_spe *integer*- flag. Enables(1) or disables(0) the viscous contributions to the distribution function in the spectra computation. It can only be activated when `visco_hyd=1`

vorticity *integer*- flag. Enables(1) or disables(0) the computation of thermal vorticity over the decoupling hypersurface. It needs the file *hypersurf_deriv.txt* produced by ECHO-QGP in the same directory containing *hypersurface.txt*

nout *integer*- flag. It is the number of time-steps to be taken into account. If set to 0 the program reads all the time steps produced by ECHO-QGP; if not the program asks the user if the number of output is correct and wants a Y/N answer from the keyboard, followed by the return command to continue. This variable is very useful for debugging.

7.3.2 Particle related parameters

This section contains the parameters related to the produced particles, such as the species and the momentum.

The programs in this section use concatenated loops over the momentum components, where we refer to the momentum components referring to equations 7.3, and using the transverse momentum p_T , the polar angle ϕ and the particle rapidity y as the independent variables. The three-dimensional grid in momentum is thus composed by $n_{pt} \times n_{phi} \times n_{rap}$ ($N_{p_T} \times N_{\phi} \times N_y$). The points in each one of the three components are computed following the simple scheme


```

1 dpt=(ptmax-ptmin)/npt
2 do i=1, npt
3   pt(i)=ptmin+(i-0.5)*dpt
4 end do

```

```

dphi=(phimax-phimin)/nphi
2 do i=1, nphi
   phi(i)=phimin+(i-1.0)*
     dphi
4   ! we would like start
     with 0
end do

```

The particle rapidity initialization is very similar to the ones listed above, except the fact that the code checks whether the range is symmetric and tries to adjust N_y (adding a point) to have the value 0 too.

npt *integer*- value. Number of transverse momentum (p_T) points

ptmin *real*- value. Minimum of the range in transverse momentum ($p_{T\min}$; GeV)

ptmax *real*- value. Maximum of the range in transverse momentum ($p_{T\max}$; GeV)

nphi *integer*- value. Number of polar angle (ϕ) points

phimin *real*- value. Minimum of the range in polar angle (ϕ_{\min})

phimax *real*- value. Maximum of the range in polar angle (ϕ_{\max})

nrp *integer*- value. Number of rapidity (y) points

rapmin *real*- value. Minimum of the range in rapidity (y_{\min})

rapmax *real*- value. Maximum of the range in rapidity (y_{\max})

listorseq *integer*- flag. It is the switch that allows the user to change the set of particles to be used. All the programs can use three different sets of particles.

In the folder `eos_data` must be present the file `pdglist.txt`, which lists all the particle which can be included in the computation (one can see a human-readable table in the Appendix ??). The code uses such table to read the particles features. The first integer number is the ID number of the particle, which we use in the settings file to identify it. **listorseq** can assume following values:

0. Uses ALL the particle listed in the file `pdglist.txt`
1. Uses a the particles included in the list, between the ID corresponding to `ID_START` and the ID corresponding to `ID_STOP`
2. Uses a list of particles, which IDs must be listed in the settings file, just after the `part_list` line

For the sake of clearness, we show in this section three examples of the using of these options in the subsection [7.6](#)

ID_start *integer*- particle ID. Only used if `listorseq=1`, is the first particle in the range the user wants to used

ID_stop *integer*- particle ID. Only used if `listorseq=1`, is the last particle in the range the user wants to used

part_list *integer*- value. Only used if `listorseq=2`, is the total number of particles listed in the settings file, which must correspond to the lines with the IDs after this parameter.

antibar *integer*- flag. Since in the `pdglist.txt` file there is no antibaryon listed, this switch enables (1) or disables (0) the production of the antibaryons corresponding to the listed baryons.

chempot *integer*- flag. If set to 0 it forces the chemical potentials of all considered particles to be 0. If set to 1, the program reads the chemical potential corresponding to the the given temperature from the file `chemical_potential.txt` contained in the `eos_data` folder.

7.4 Input-Ouput

The section of the file `settings.txt` dedicated to the input/output addresses simply contains paths and names:

inputdir *character**64 - path. Path of the folder containing the file `hypersurface.txt`

ioutdir *character**64 - path. Path in which all the files produced by `thermal` (and by `utils_therm`) are stored. The same path also contains the info used by `MCgen`. If the folder exists already, the content is replaced, while if the folder does not exist, a new one is created.

mcoutdir *character**64 - path. Path in which all the files produced by `MCgen` (and by `utils_histogram`) are stored. If the folder exists already, the content is replaced, while if the folder does not exist, a new one is created.

7.5 Parameters for the Monte Carlo production

In this section the user can find all the parameters for the Monte Carlo generation of particles.

seed *integer*- flag and value. If 0 is given, the seed is automatically generated and stored in the file `report_MCgen.txt` (placed in the folder specified by the path **mcoutdir**)

ptbox *real*- value. Upper limit for the random sampling (from a uniform distribution) of the transverse momentum (p_T , GeV).

phibox *real*- flag and value. Upper limit for the random sampling (from a uniform distribution) of the polar angle (ϕ). If set to 0 the upper limit is automatically set to 2π

ybox *real*- value. Upper limit for the random sampling (from a uniform distribution) of the rapidity (y).

The user must be careful in the choice of **ptbox**, **phibox** and **ybox**: given three random numbers $r_1, r_2, r_3 \in [0; 1]$ the momentum is sampled with the formula:

$$p_T = r_1 \cdot \text{ptbox} \quad (7.4)$$

$$\phi = r_2 \cdot \text{phibox} \quad (7.5)$$

$$y = r_3 \cdot 2 \cdot \text{ybox} - \text{ybox} \quad (7.6)$$

so a bad choice of the upper limits can lead either to a wrong sampling ensemble or a bottleneck in the code.

oversmpl *real*- flag and value. This parameter allows the user to perform an oversampled (if the parameter is greater than 1) simulation, as well as an undersampled (if the parameter is less than 1) simulation. The histograms computation automatically takes care of this parameter renormalizing them. This parameter is mainly useful during the debugging stage.

Histogram related parameters

When the Monte Carlo production of the particles is terminated, some histograms are automatically calculated, in order to be compared with the averaged spectra. Such histograms calculation can also be performed independently with the program `utils_histogram`. This section specifies the binning of such histograms.

mxv_pt *real*- value. Maximum value in the transverse momentum histogram

mnv_pt *real*- value. Minimum value in the transverse momentum histogram

mxv_ang *real*- value. Maximum value in the polar angle histogram

mnv_ang *real*- value. Minimum value in the polar angle histogram

mxv_y *real*- value. Maximum value in the particle rapidity histogram

mnv_y *real*- value. Minimum value in the particle rapidity histogram

binpt *integer*- value. Number of bins in the transverse momentum histogram

binphi *integer*- value. Number of bins in the polar angle histogram

binrap *integer*- value. Number of bins in the particle rapidity histogram

7.6 Examples of particles subset:

The IDs of the particles are listed into the file `eos_data/pdglst.txt`.

7.6.1 Producing all available particles: `listorseq=0`

We provide here an example of the particle section in the setup file, for a simulation including *ALL the particles*, comprehensive of antibaryons. We also set as active in the computation, the appropriate and the chemical potential in `settings.txt`

Please note in 7.2 that there is NO line after the `part_list` line, and the variable `part_list` itself is set to 0.

```
1 | ! *** PARTICLE-RELATED
2 | npt.....=41                ! points for t...
3 | ptmin....=0.0              ! min transver...
4 | ptmax....=4.0              ! max transver...
5 | nphi.....=36              ! points for t...
6 | phimin...=0.0              ! min polar an...
7 | phimax...=6.28318530718    ! max polar an...
8 | nrap.....=41              ! points for t...
9 | rapmin...=-4.0             ! min rapidity
10 | rapmax...=4.0              ! max rapidity
11 | listorseq=0                ! 0- all; 1-se...
12 | ID_start.=0                ! ID of first ...
13 | ID_stop..=0                ! ID of last p...
14 | part_list=0                ! particles in...
15 | antibar..=1                ! 1=on 0=off
16 | chempot..=1
```

Listing 7.2: Example of the section in `settings.txt` producing all the available particles.

7.6.2 Producing an interval of listed particles: `listorseq=1`

Let's assume that the user wants to produce all the particle listed in `pdglst.txt` between two given IDs, say π^+ (with ID 211) and η (with ID 221), which are: $\pi^+, \pi^0, \pi^-, K^+, K^-, K^0, \overline{K^0}, \eta$. The fastest way to configure `settings.txt` is to set `listorseq=1`, `ID_start=211` and `ID_stop=221`. Here we provide an

example setup for a simulation producing such ensemble, without the production of antibaryons, and with the appropriate chemical potential. Please note that still there is NO line after the `part_list` line, and the variable `part_list` itself is set to 0.

```

1 | ! *** PARTICLE-RELATED
2 | npt.....=41                ! points for t...
3 | ptmin....=0.0              ! min transver...
4 | ptmax....=4.0              ! max transver...
5 | nphi.....=36              ! points for t...
6 | phimin...=0.0              ! min polar an...
7 | phimax...=6.28318530718    ! max polar an...
8 | nrap.....=41              ! points for t...
9 | rapmin...=-4.0             ! min rapidity
10 | rapmax...=4.0              ! max rapidity
11 | listorseq=1                ! 0- all; 1-se...
12 | ID_start.=211              ! ID of first ...
13 | ID_stop..=221              ! ID of last p...
14 | part_list=0                ! particles in...
15 | antibar..=0                ! 1=on 0=off
   | chempot..=16

```

Listing 7.3: Example of the section in `settings.txt` producing a custom sequence of particles.

7.6.3 Producing a detailed list of particles `listorseq=2`

Within this configuration, the user can pick any list of particles to produce, and specify their ID in any order. Let's assume that the user wants to produce π^+ (ID 211), K^- (ID -321), ρ^0 (ID 113), ω (ID 223) p (ID 2212) and \bar{p} (not listed); for a total amount of 5 listed particle and 1 anti-baryon. In the `settings.txt` file the variable `part_list` must contain the numeber of listed particles (`part_list=5`) and the IDs of the particles must be placed one-per-line just after this parameter (as shown in the listings 7.4).

```

1 | ! *** PARTICLE-RELATED
2 | npt.....=41                ! points for t...
3 | ptmin....=0.0              ! min transver...
4 | ptmax....=4.0              ! max transver...
5 | nphi.....=36              ! points for t...
6 | phimin...=0.0              ! min polar an...
7 | phimax...=6.28318530718    ! max polar an...
8 | nrap.....=41              ! points for t...
9 | rapmin...=-4.0             ! min rapidity
10 | rapmax...=4.0              ! max rapidity
11 | listorseq=2                ! 0- all; 1-se...
12 | ID_start.=211              ! ID of first ...
13 | ID_stop..=221              ! ID of last p...
14 | part_list=5                ! particles in...
15 | 211

```

```

-321
17 113
223
19 2212
antibar..=0 ! 1=on 0=off
21 chempot..=16

```

Listing 7.4: Example of the section in settings.txt producing a custom list of particles.

7.6.4 Producing the standard subset of particleslistorseq=3

Example setup for a simulation including the standard subset of particles: $\pi^+, \pi^0, \pi^-, K^+, K^0, \bar{K}^0, K^-, \eta, \omega, p, n, \Lambda, \Sigma^+, \Sigma^0, \Sigma^-, \Xi^0, \Xi^-$.

Please note that still there is NO line after the part_list line, and the variable part_list itself is set to 0.

```

! *** PARTICLE-RELATED
2 npt.....=41 ! points for t...
ptmin....=0.0 ! min transver...
4 ptmax....=4.0 ! max transver...
nphi.....=36 ! points for t...
6 phimin....=0.0 ! min polar an...
phimax....=6.28318530718 ! max polar an...
8 nrap.....=41 ! points for t...
rapmin....=-4.0 ! min rapidity
10 rapmax....=4.0 ! max rapidity
listorseq=0 ! 0- all; 1-se...
12 ID_start.=0 ! ID of first ...
ID_stop..=0 ! ID of last p...
14 part_list=0 ! particles in...
antibar..=1 ! 1=on 0=off
16 chempot..=0

```

Listing 7.5: Example of settings.txt producing the standard subset of particles.

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