

Quantum mechanics of the electronic fluid in chiral solids

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Often, chiral solids are twisted in some way,
e.g. twisted bilayer graphene.

Reduced symmetry yields new responses:

$$\mathbf{j}_{\text{AHE}} \propto \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{M}, \mathbf{j}_{\text{CME}} \propto \mathbf{B} \quad - \text{electrodynamic responses}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \Pi^{2d} \propto \eta^H \Delta \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{j}_{\text{CVE}}^{3d} \propto \boldsymbol{\omega}, \quad - \text{hydrodynamic responses}$$

} Effects of
“band
geometry”

Ultrapure electronic systems, where hydrodynamic flow was claimed:

GaAs – Wurzburg, ETH

Graphene -- Manchester, Weizmann

PdCoO₂ and other “delafossites”) -- MPI CPS Dresden

WP₂ – IBM Zurich+Dresden

Classical mechanics of electrons in solids

Promote the band energy to the classical Hamiltonian:

$$H(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{k}) = E_{\mathbf{k}} - e\mathbf{A} + e\phi(\mathbf{r})$$

“Peierls substitution”

Write down the equations of motion:

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}} = \partial_{\mathbf{k}} E_{\mathbf{k}},$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{k}} = -\partial_{\mathbf{r}} E_{\mathbf{k}} + e\partial_{\mathbf{k}} E_{\mathbf{k}} \times \mathbf{B}.$$

Then perhaps solve the Boltzmann equation:

$$\partial_t f + \dot{\mathbf{r}} \nabla f + \dot{\mathbf{k}} \partial_{\mathbf{k}} f = \hat{I}_{st}$$

+ $O(\hbar)$ corrections \rightarrow “unusual” E&M

+ $O(\hbar)$ correction \rightarrow “unusual” hydrodynamics

Semiclassical motion in external fields

Proceed by comparison:

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{1}{i} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}} - e\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{r}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}} = i\nabla_{\mathbf{p}} + \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{p}}, \quad \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{p}} = i\langle u_{\mathbf{p}} | \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} | u_{\mathbf{p}} \rangle - \text{looks like a "vector potential" in the momentum space}$$

Motion in **external** fields is semiclassical:

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = -e \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \mathbf{r}} + e\dot{\mathbf{r}} \times \mathbf{B}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \nabla_{\mathbf{r}} \times \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{r}}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{\partial \epsilon_{n\mathbf{p}}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} - \dot{\mathbf{p}} \times \Omega_{n\mathbf{p}}, \quad \Omega_{n\mathbf{p}} = \nabla_{\mathbf{p}} \times \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{p}}$$

$$\Omega_{n\mathbf{p}} = i\langle \partial_{\mathbf{p}} u_{n\mathbf{p}} | \times | \partial_{\mathbf{p}} u_{n\mathbf{p}} \rangle$$

Motion in magnetic field

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = e\mathbf{E} + e\dot{\mathbf{r}} \times \mathbf{B}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{p}} - \dot{\mathbf{p}} \times \Omega_{n\mathbf{p}}$$

Chiral anomaly

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{1}{D_B} \left(e\mathbf{E} + e\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{p}} \times \mathbf{B} - e^2 \underbrace{(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \Omega_{\mathbf{p}}} \right)$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{1}{D_B} \left(\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{p}} - e \underbrace{\mathbf{E} \times \Omega_{n\mathbf{p}}} - e \underbrace{(\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \Omega_{\mathbf{p}}) \mathbf{B}} \right)$$

AHE

Chiral magnetic effect

$$D_B = 1 - eB\Omega_p$$

So far mostly electromagnetic phenomena

What about hydrodynamics?

$$\mathbf{j}_{\text{AHE}} \propto \left(\mathbf{E} - \frac{1}{e} \nabla \mu \right) \times \mathbf{M},$$

$$\mathbf{j}_{\text{CVE}}^{3d} \propto \boldsymbol{\omega},$$

$$\nabla \cdot \Pi^{2d} \propto \eta^H \Delta \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{z},$$

responses to “statistical” forces

$$\underbrace{\partial_t f + \dot{\mathbf{r}} \nabla f + \dot{\mathbf{k}} \partial_{\mathbf{k}} f}_{+O(\hbar)\text{corrections}} = \underbrace{\hat{I}_{st}}_{+O(\hbar)\text{correction}}$$

$+O(\hbar)$ corrections \rightarrow “unusual” E&M

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Band geometry effects in collisions

Case study: Weyl fermions

$$H_{\mathbf{p}} = v\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}, \quad \epsilon_{\mathbf{p}} = \pm v p$$

Intrinsic magnetic moment (conduction band):

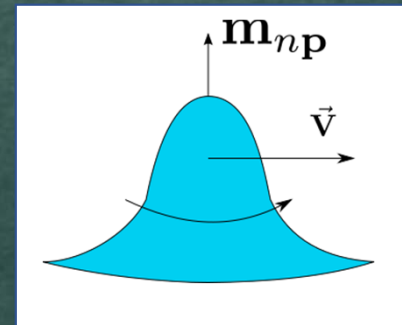
$$\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{ie}{2} \langle \partial_{\mathbf{p}} u_{\mathbf{p}} | \times (h_{\mathbf{p}} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{p}}) | \partial_{\mathbf{p}} u_{\mathbf{p}} \rangle = \frac{ev\hbar}{2p} \mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{p}}$$

Intrinsic angular momentum:

$$\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{p}} = \langle (\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_c) \times (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_c) \rangle + \frac{\hbar}{2} \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma} \rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2} \mathbf{e}_{\mathbf{p}} \equiv \mathbf{s}_{\mathbf{p}}$$

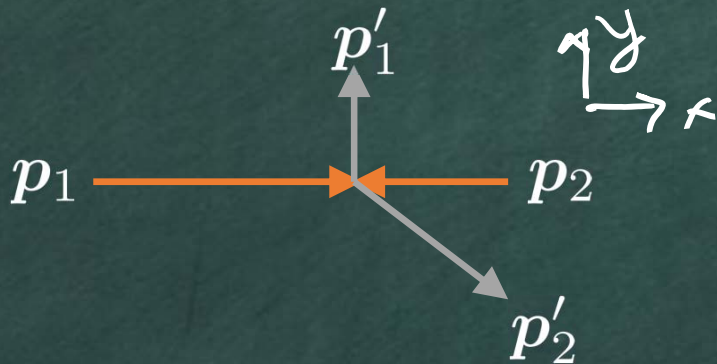
Total angular momentum is conserved in collisions:

$$[\boldsymbol{\ell} + \mathbf{s}]^{in} = [\boldsymbol{\ell} + \mathbf{s}]^{out}$$



The need for two-particle shifts in two-particle collisions

Naïve scattering diagram:

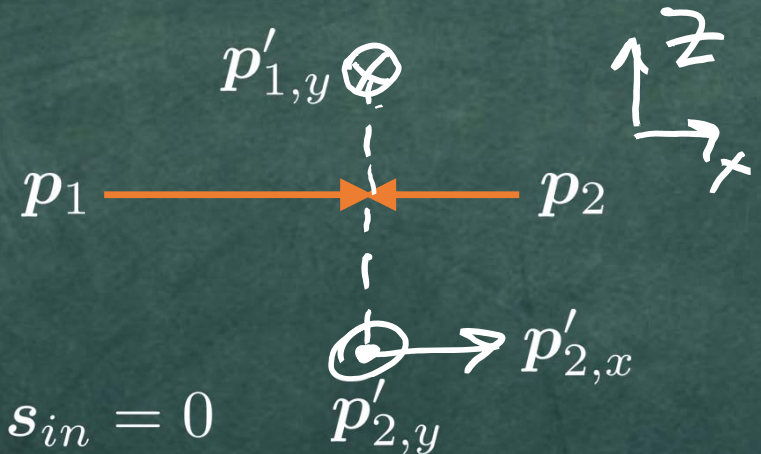


$$l_{in} = 0, s_{in} = 0$$

$$l_{out} = 0, s_{out} \neq 0$$

Something is wrong!

Reality (view along the y-axis)



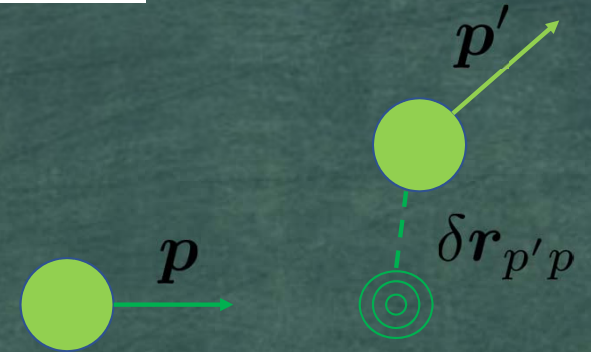
$$l_{in} = 0, s_{in} = 0$$

$$l_{out} \neq 0, s_{out} \neq 0, l_{out} + s_{out} = 0$$

Something is right!

Main observation: Shift happens

“Side jump” (Berger, 1970):



Qualitative picture for a smooth impurity potential: displacement in the impurity's electric field due to the anomalous velocity

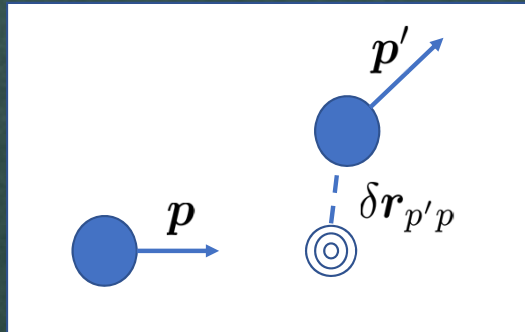
$$\delta \mathbf{r}_{pp'} = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt \mathbf{\Omega} \times \dot{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{\Omega} \times (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}')$$

Full result, any weak impurity

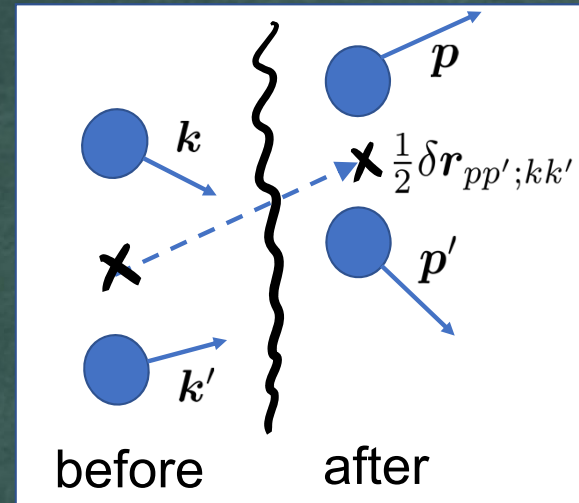
$$\delta \mathbf{r}_{pp'} = \langle u_{\mathbf{p}} | i \partial_{\mathbf{p}} u_{\mathbf{p}} \rangle - \langle u_{\mathbf{p}'} | i \partial_{\mathbf{p}'} u_{\mathbf{p}'} \rangle - (\partial_{\mathbf{p}} + \partial_{\mathbf{p}'}) \text{Arg} \langle u_{\mathbf{p}} | u_{\mathbf{p}'} \rangle$$

(Belinicher, Ivchenko, Sturman, 1982; Sinitsyn, MacDonald, Niu, 2007)

Two-particle collisional coordinate shift



VS



- Individual shifts are ill-defined due to particle indistinguishability
- Symmetric combination – total shift – is well-defined:

$$\mathbf{R}^{(-\infty)} = \mathbf{v}_k t + \mathbf{v}_{k'} t + \delta \mathbf{r}^{(-\infty)}$$

$$\longrightarrow \delta \mathbf{r}_{pp';kk'} = \delta \mathbf{r}^{(+\infty)} - \delta \mathbf{r}^{(-\infty)}$$

$$\mathbf{R}^{(+\infty)} = \mathbf{v}_p t + \mathbf{v}_{p'} t + \delta \mathbf{r}^{(+\infty)}$$

Main results for 2p coordinate shifts

For $\langle pp' | \hat{V}_{e-e} | kk' \rangle \equiv V_{pp';kk'}$:

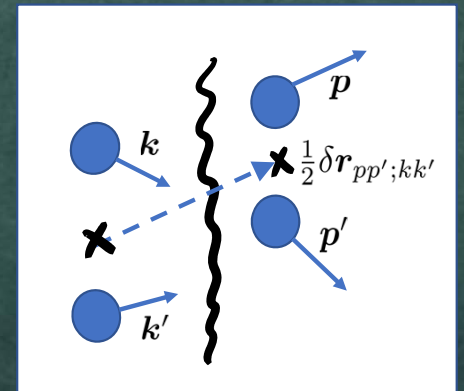
$$\begin{aligned} \delta \mathbf{r}_{pp';kk'} &= \langle u_p | i \partial_p u_p \rangle + \langle u_{p'} | i \partial_{p'} u_{p'} \rangle - \langle u_k | i \partial_k u_p \rangle - \langle u_{k'} | i \partial_{k'} u_{k'} \rangle \\ &\quad - (\partial_p + \partial_{p'} + \partial_k + \partial_{k'}) \arg V_{pp';kk'} \end{aligned} \quad \text{Pesin, PRL 2018}$$

Distinguishable particles: $p \rightarrow k, p' \rightarrow k'$

$$\delta \mathbf{r}_{pp';kk'} = \delta \mathbf{r}_{p;k} + \delta \mathbf{r}_{p';k'} \quad \text{sum of individual 1p shifts}$$

Weyl fermions with point interaction: $h_p = v \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p}$

$$\delta \mathbf{r}_{kk';pp'} = -\frac{v}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_k} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{k'}} \right) \frac{\mathbf{e}_k \times \mathbf{e}_{k'}}{1 - \mathbf{e}_k \cdot \mathbf{e}_{k'}} + \frac{v}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_p} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{p'}} \right) \frac{\mathbf{e}_p \times \mathbf{e}_{p'}}{1 - \mathbf{e}_p \cdot \mathbf{e}_{p'}}$$



Individual shifts can be defined for point interaction, Lorentz-inv case, and zero angular momentum: Chen, Son, Stephanov, PRL 2015.

Corrections to kinetics with 2p shifts

Physical considerations (1ps case review: Sinitsyn, J. Phys. CM 2008)

➤ Current due to shift accumulations:

$$j^{sj} = \frac{1}{4}e \int_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}'\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} W_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}';\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} (1 - f_{\mathbf{p}})(1 - f_{\mathbf{p}'}) f_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\mathbf{k}'} \delta \mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}';\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'}$$

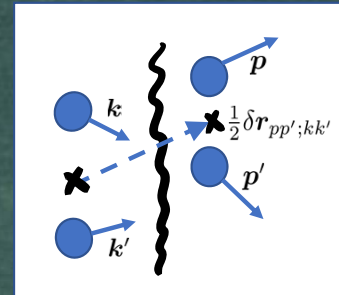
➤ Energy change during a collision:

$$\delta(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} + \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}'} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{p}} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{p}'}) \rightarrow \delta(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} + \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}'} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{p}} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{p}'} - e\mathbf{E}\delta \mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}';\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}'})$$

➤ The collision integral no longer nullified by the equilibrium d.f.:

$$I_{e-e}[\phi_{\mathbf{k}}] \rightarrow I_{e-e}[\phi_{\mathbf{k}}] - e\mathbf{E}\mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{k}},$$

$$\mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{1}{2T} \int_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}'\mathbf{k}'} W_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}';\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} (1 - f_{\mathbf{p}})(1 - f_{\mathbf{p}'}) f_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\mathbf{k}'} \delta \mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}';\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'}$$



“Hydrodynamic” anomalous Hall effect

➤ Kinetic equation:

$$e\mathbf{E} \left(\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{\partial f_0(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}})}{\partial \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}}} + \mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{k}} \right) = I_{st}(\phi_{\mathbf{k}}), \quad \begin{aligned} \phi^{\mathbf{v}} &= I_{st}^{-1} \left(e\mathbf{E} \mathbf{v}_{\ell} \frac{\partial f_0(\epsilon_{\ell})}{\partial \epsilon_{\ell}} \right), \\ \phi^{\mathbf{g}} &= I_{st}^{-1} (e\mathbf{E} \mathbf{g}_{\ell}) \end{aligned}$$

➤ Hall current: $j^{\text{AHE}} = j^{\text{shift}} + j^{\text{ballistic}}$,

$$j^{\text{ballistic}} = -e \int_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{\partial f_0(\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}})}{\partial \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}}} \phi_{\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{g}}, \quad j^{\text{shift}} = e \int_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{k}} \phi_{\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{v}}.$$

These expressions lead to an antisymmetric conductivity tensor

Picture thus far:

2p coordinate shifts carry particle number with them: hydro AHE

$$\delta \mathbf{r} = \langle W_{2p}^{out} | \int \Psi^\dagger \mathbf{r} \Psi | W_{2p}^{out} \rangle - \langle W_{2p}^{in} | \int \Psi^\dagger \mathbf{r} \Psi | W_{2p}^{in} \rangle \quad (\text{drop "vt" terms})$$

$$|W_{2p}^{out}\rangle = \hat{T} |W_{2p}^{in}\rangle$$

Actually, 2p shifts carry *all* additive integrals of motion with them, for instance

$$\delta \pi_{ab} = \langle W_{2p}^{out} | \int \Psi^\dagger p_a r_b \Psi | W_{2p}^{out} \rangle - \langle W_{2p}^{in} | \int \Psi^\dagger p_a r_b \Psi | W_{2p}^{in} \rangle$$

$$\delta \pi_{ab}^{(a)} = -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{abc} \delta \ell_c$$

(drop "vt" terms)

The problem of rotating distribution

Additive conservation laws affect the local-equilibrium distribution:

$$\sum_{in} 1, \varepsilon = \sum_{out} 1, \varepsilon : \quad f_{l.e.} = f_{eq}(\beta(\mathbf{r})[\varepsilon_p - \mu(\mathbf{r})])$$

$$\sum_{in} 1, \varepsilon, \mathbf{p} = \sum_{out} 1, \varepsilon, \mathbf{p} : \quad f_{l.e.} = f_{eq}(\beta(\mathbf{r})[\varepsilon_p - \mu(\mathbf{r}) - \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{p}])$$

$$\sum_{in} 1, \varepsilon, \mathbf{p}, \ell + \mathbf{s} = \sum_{out} 1, \varepsilon, \mathbf{p}, \ell + \mathbf{s} : \quad f_{l.e.} = ???$$

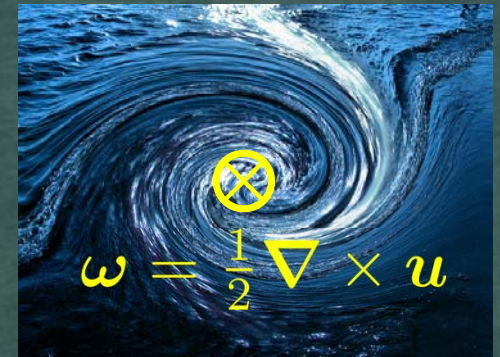
$$f_{l.e.} = f_{eq}(\beta(\mathbf{r})[\varepsilon_p - \mu(\mathbf{r}) - \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{p} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla \times \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{s}_p])$$

$$\delta\pi_{ab}^{(a)} = -\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{abc}\delta\ell_c = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{abc}\delta s_c$$

Chiral vortical effect of Weyl fermions

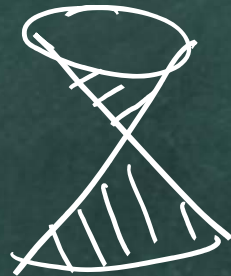
$$j = en\mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{2}\lambda_{\text{cve}}\nabla \times \mathbf{u} \equiv en\mathbf{u} + \lambda_{\text{cve}}\boldsymbol{\omega} \quad (\text{broken I})$$

$$\lambda_{\text{cve}} = ?$$



Model of choice: single species of Weyl fermions

$$H = v\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{p},$$



-- "Conduction band" only

The CVE current does not appear in more conventional models, e.g. chiral suspension in a non-chiral fluid (Andreev, Son, Spivak 2009)

CVE: two currents

(Stephanov, Yin, PRL 2012)

$$\mathbf{j}_{\text{cve}} = \mathbf{j}_{\text{bal}} + \mathbf{j}_{\text{mag}}, \text{ (ballistic+magnetization)}$$

$$f_{l.e.} = f_{\text{eq}}(\beta(\mathbf{r})[\varepsilon_p - \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{p} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla \times \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{s}_p])$$

$$\mathbf{j}_{\text{bal}} = e \int_{\mathbf{p}} \mathbf{v}_p f_{l.e.}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{3} e \frac{p_F^2}{4\pi^2} \boldsymbol{\omega}$$

$$\mathbf{j}_{\text{mag}} = \nabla \times \int_{\mathbf{p}} \mathbf{m}_p f_{l.e.}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{2}{3} e \frac{p_F^2}{4\pi^2} \boldsymbol{\omega}$$

$$\mathbf{j}_{\text{cve}} = e \frac{p_F^2}{4\pi^2} \boldsymbol{\omega}$$

Microscopic treatment based on $\delta\pi_{ab}$ opens up a way toward “CVE in crystals”

“Anomalous” Hall viscosity in metals

$$\rho \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} = -\nabla P + \eta_{xx} \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \eta_{xy} \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{z}$$

Basic derivation ingredients:

$$\partial_t \int_p \mathbf{p} f_p + \int_p \mathbf{p} [\mathbf{v} \nabla f_{\text{l.e.}}] = 0$$

$$f_{\text{l.e.}} = f_{\text{eq}}(\beta(\mathbf{r})[\varepsilon_p - \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{p} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla \times \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{s}_p])$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

Result for the Hall viscosity:

$$\eta_{xy}^{\text{metal}} = -\frac{1}{2} s_z (p_F) n$$

(unpublished)

compare to

$$\eta_{xy}^{(F)QHE} = -\frac{1}{2} s_z n$$

(Avron et al. 1995, N. Read, 2009)

Conclusions:

- Band geometry manifests itself in two-particle collisions
- Collisional coordinate shifts are responsible for hydrodynamic
 - anomalous Hall effect,
 - chiral vortical effect,
 - anomalous Hall viscosity,
 - thermal Hall effect
- “Chiral hydrodynamics in solids” is a rich subject