

# Boost invariant formulation of the chiral kinetic theory

Shi Pu

The University of Tokyo

Workshop of Recent Developments in QCD and  
Quantum Field Theories, Nov. 9-12, 2017, Taipei

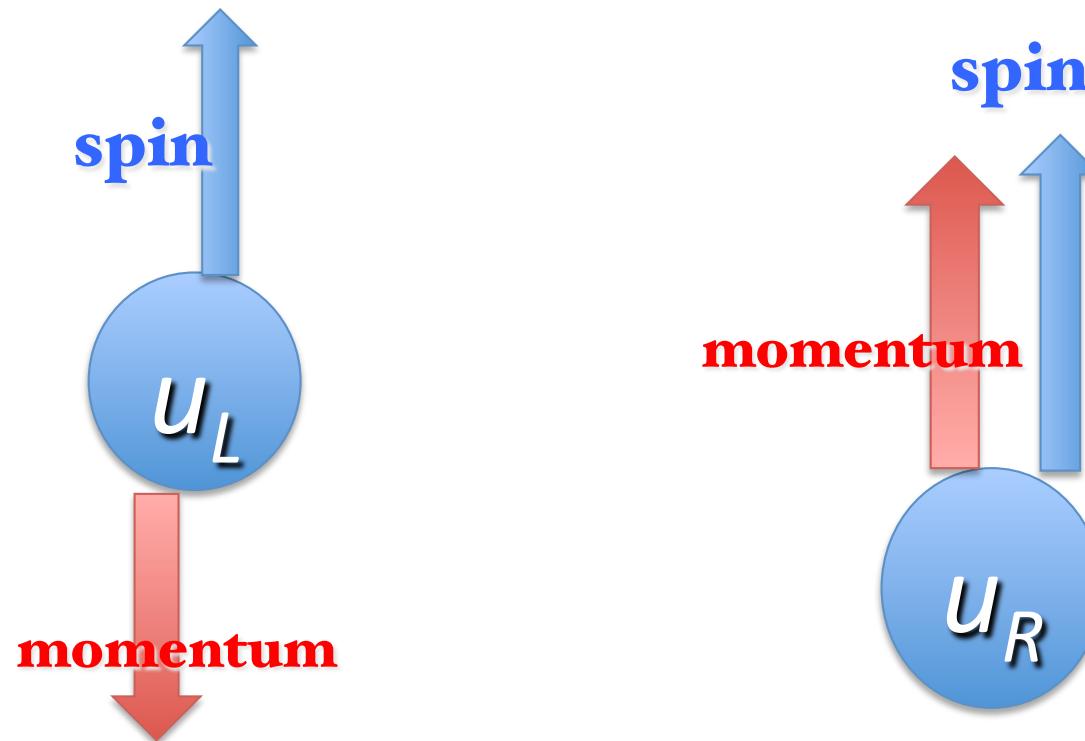
In cooperation with Kenji Fukushima,  
Shu Ebihara, Phys.Rev. D96 (2017), 016016

# Outline

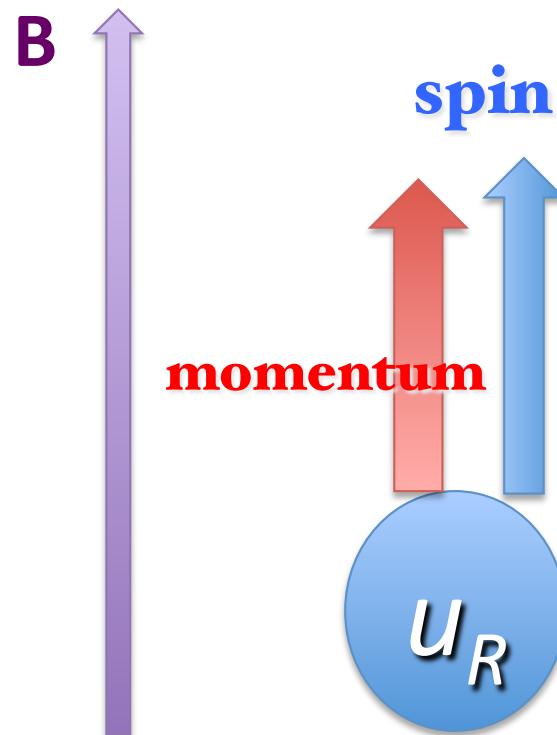
- Introduction to Chiral kinetic theory (CKT)
- CKT with Bjorken expansion
- Summary

# Introduction to Chiral kinetic theory

# Chirality and massless fermions



# Chiral Magnetic Effect (I)



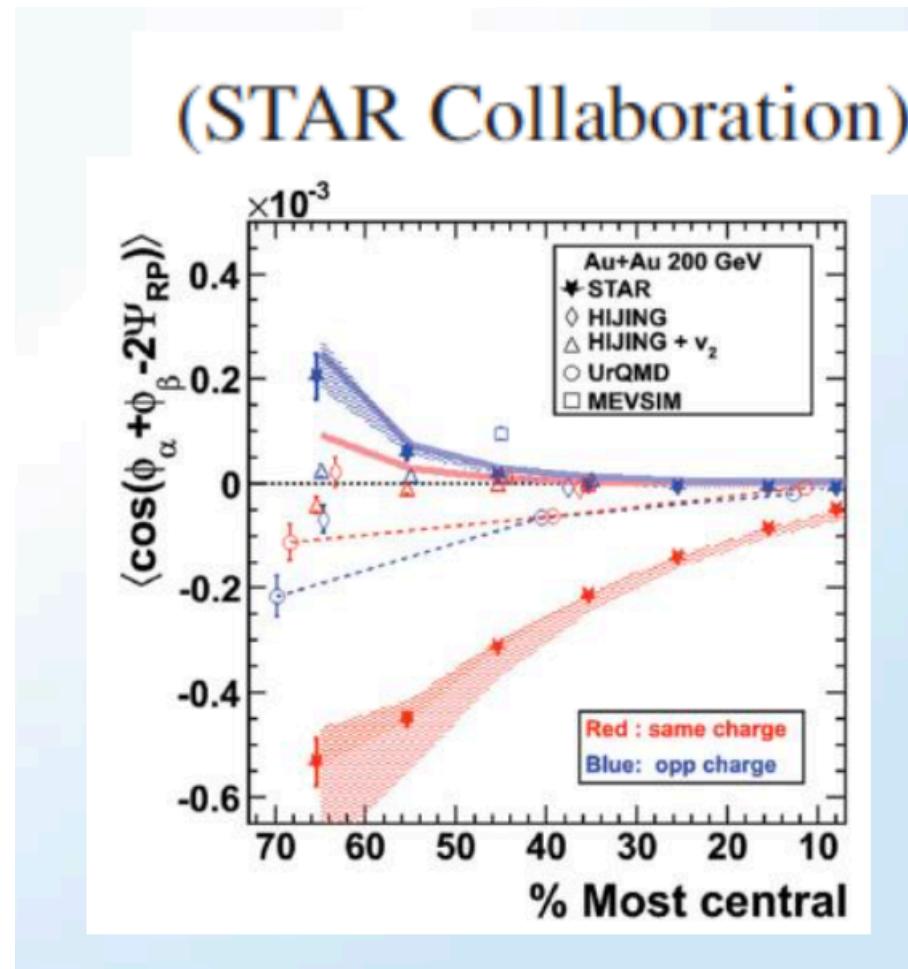
- Magnetic fields
- Nonzero axial chemical potential
  - Number of **Left** handed fermions  
≠ Number of **Right** handed fermions
- Charge current

$$\mathbf{j} = \frac{e^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5 \mathbf{B},$$

Ref: Kharzeev, Fukushima, Warrington,  
(08,09), etc. ... Cf. Dmitri's Talk

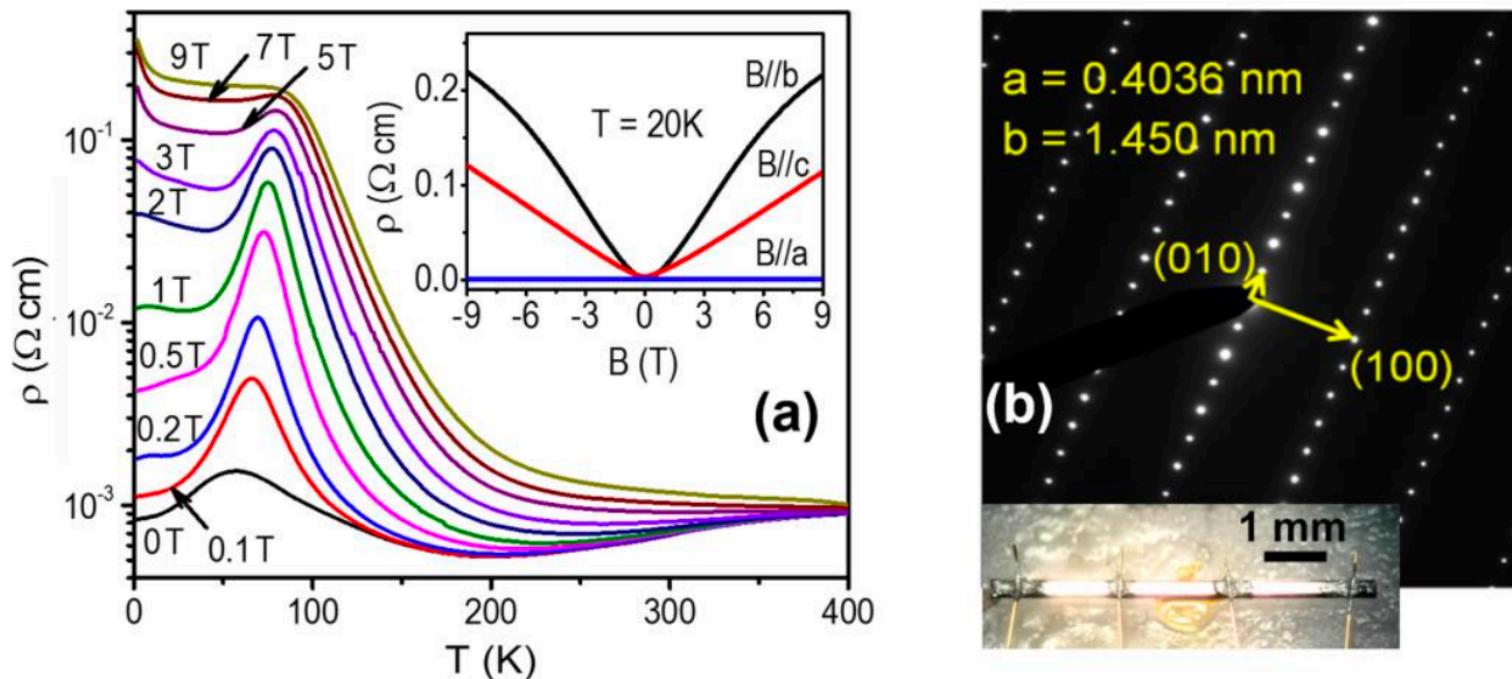
# Chiral Magnetic Effect (II)

- Heavy ion collisions: charge separation



# Chiral Magnetic Effect (II)

- Heavy ion collisions: charge separation
- Weyl Semi-metal: new transport effects



**ZrTe<sub>5</sub>:** arXiv:1412.6543, **Nature Physics (2016)** doi:10.1038/nphys3648

# Chiral Magnetic Effect (II)

- Heavy ion collisions: charge separation
- Weyl Semi-metal: new transport effects
- To the real world: New type of “superconductor”?

“Dissipationless transmitting and processing information and energy”, Q. Li (BNL), Chiral Matter 2016, RIKEN

# Kinetic theory

- “distribution function”  $f(x,p,t)$
- Ordinary kinetic theory: Boltzmann equation
- Spin effects, massless particles  
**SP, J.H. Gao, Q. Wang, PRD 83 (2011) 094017**

# Chiral kinetic equation (I)

- Hamiltonian formulism, effective theory  
**Son, Yamamoto, PRL, (2012); PRD (2013)**
- Path integration  
**Stephanov, Yin, PRL (2012);  
Chen, Son, Stephanov, Yee, Yin, PRL, (2014);  
J.W. Chen, J.Y. Pang, SP, Q. Wang, PRD (2014)**
- Wigner function
  - hydrodynamics, equilibrium  
**J.W. Chen, SP, Q. Wang, X.N. Wang, PRL (2013);**
  - out-of-equilibrium, quantum field theory  
**Y. Hidaka, SP, D.L. Yang, PRD(RC) (2017) Cf. Di-Lun's Talk**

# Ordinary Boltzmann equation

$$\partial_t f + \dot{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \nabla_x f + \dot{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla_p f = C[f],$$

- Particle's velocity:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial \mathbf{p}}, \quad \varepsilon : \text{Particle's energy}$$

- Lorentz force:

$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \times \mathbf{B},$$

- Collision effects:

$$C[f]$$

# Chiral kinetic equation

$$\sqrt{G} \partial_t f + \sqrt{G} \dot{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \nabla_x f + \sqrt{G} \dot{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \nabla_p f = C[f].$$

- Particle's velocity:

$$\sqrt{G} \dot{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial \mathbf{p}} + \hbar \left( \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega} \right) \mathbf{B} + \hbar \mathbf{E} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega},$$

- External force:

$$\sqrt{G} \dot{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{E} + \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \times \mathbf{B} + \hbar (\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \boldsymbol{\Omega},$$

- Berry curvature

$$\sqrt{G} = 1 + \hbar \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega},$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Omega} = \frac{\mathbf{p}}{2|\mathbf{p}|^3},$$

# Lorentz symmetry and side-jump (I)

- 3D action with Berry phase

Chen, Son, Stephanov, Yee, Yin, PRL, (2014)

- Infinitesimal Lorentz Transform

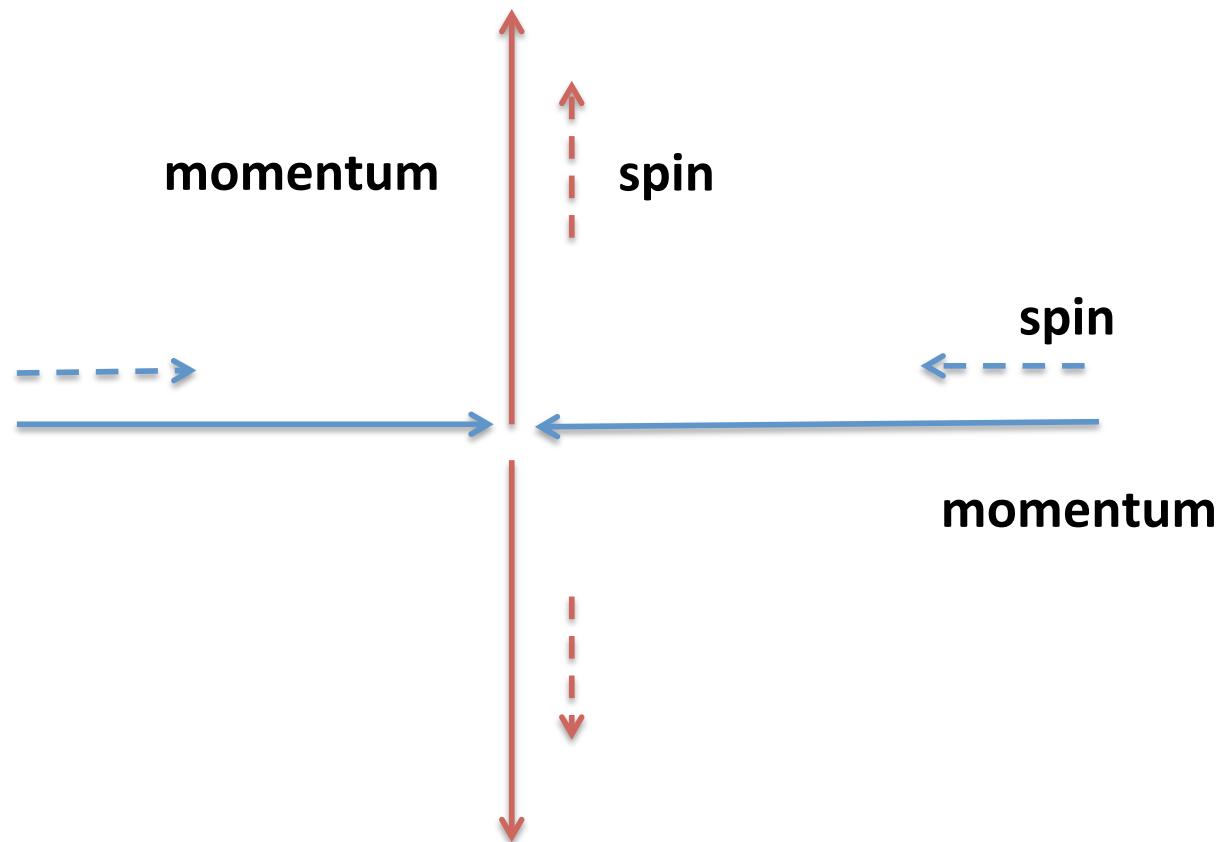
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}' &= \mathbf{x} + \beta t + \delta \mathbf{x}, & \delta \mathbf{x} &= \hbar \frac{\beta \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2|\mathbf{p}|}, \\ \mathbf{p}' &= \mathbf{p} + \beta \varepsilon + \delta \mathbf{p}, & \delta \mathbf{p} &= \hbar \frac{\beta \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2|\mathbf{p}|} \times \mathbf{B} \end{aligned}$$

- Global angular momentum conservation

Chen, Son, Stephanov, PRL, (2015)

# Side-jump (I)

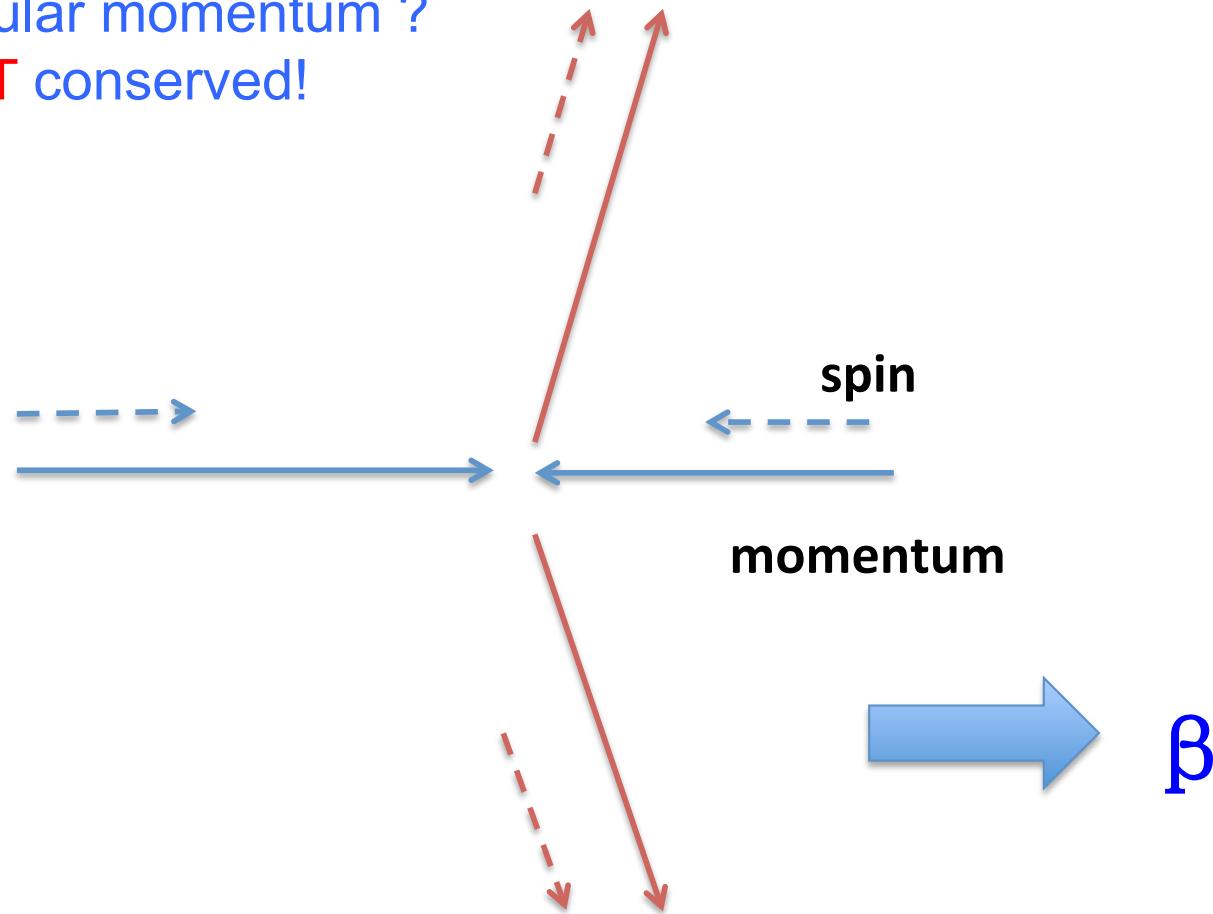
Orbital angular momentum and spin are conserved separately.



Chen, Son, Stephanov, Yee, Yin, PRL, (2014)

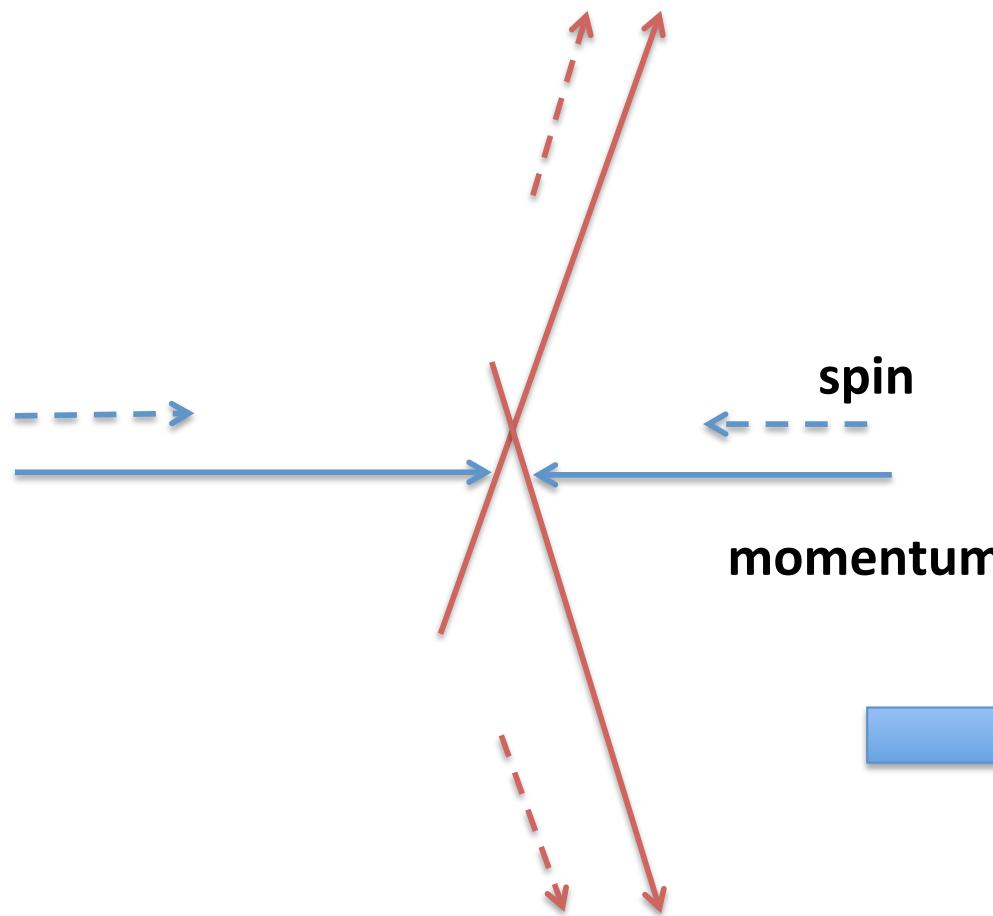
# Side-jump (II)

Orbital angular momentum ?  
Spin is NOT conserved!



Chen, Son, Stephanov, Yee, Yin, PRL, (2014)

# Side-jump (III)



x has a shift!!!

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}' &= \mathbf{x} + \beta t + \delta \mathbf{x}, \\ \mathbf{p}' &= \mathbf{p} + \beta \varepsilon + \delta \mathbf{p}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta \mathbf{x} = \hbar \frac{\beta \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2|\mathbf{p}|},$$

$$\delta \mathbf{p} = \hbar \frac{\beta \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2|\mathbf{p}|} \times \mathbf{B}$$

Chen, Son, Stephanov, Yee, Yin, PRL, (2014)

# Lorentz symmetry and side-jump (II)

- Field theory

$$j^\mu = \bar{\psi} \sigma^\mu \psi \rightarrow \Lambda_\nu^\mu j^\nu$$

- Lorentz transformation,

$$x^{\mu'} = \Lambda_\nu^\mu x^\nu, \quad p^{\mu'} = \Lambda_\nu^\mu p^\nu,$$

$$f'(x', p', t') = f(x', p', t') + \hbar N^\mu (\partial_\mu^x + F_{\nu\mu} \partial_p^\nu) f,$$

**Infinitesimal  
Lorentz  
Transform**

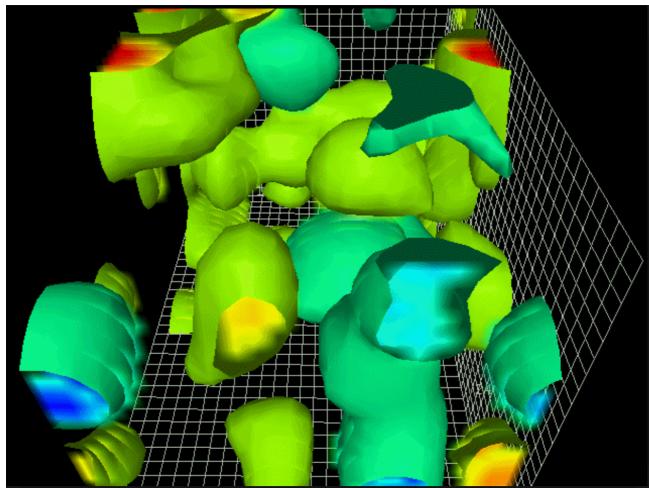
$$\begin{aligned}\delta \mathbf{x} &= \hbar \frac{\boldsymbol{\beta} \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2|\mathbf{p}|}, \\ \delta \mathbf{p} &= \hbar \frac{\boldsymbol{\beta} \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2|\mathbf{p}|} \times \mathbf{B}\end{aligned}$$

Chen, Son, Stephanov, PRL, (2015);  
Y. Hidaka, SP, D.L. Yang, (2016)  
**Cf. Di-Lun's talk**

# Chiral kinetic theory + Bjorken expansion

In cooperation with Kenji Fukushima,  
Shu Ebihara, Phys.Rev. D96 (2017), 016016

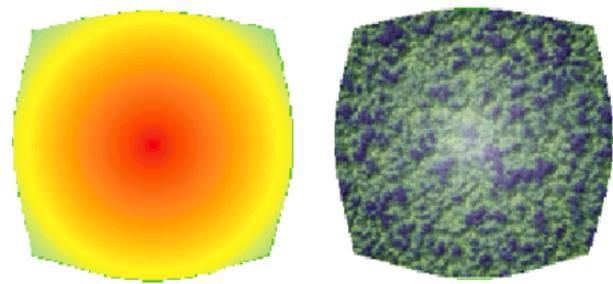
# CME at early stage



**Topological charges**  
classical statistical simulation



**Chiral kinetic  
equation**

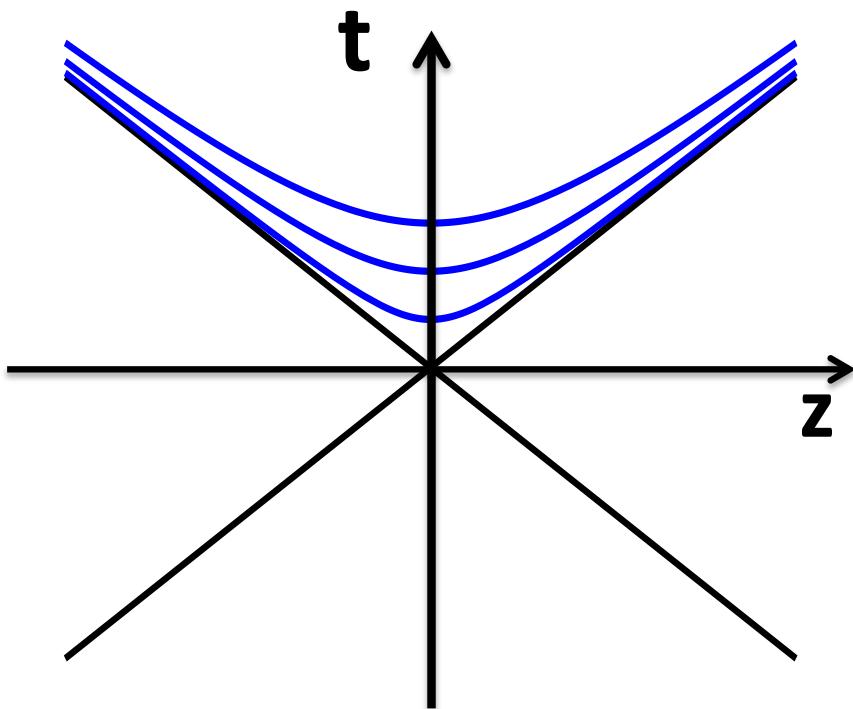


**Chiral  
Magneto-hydrodynamics**

# CKT Simulations

- A. Huang, Y. Jiang, S. Shi, J. Liao, and P. Zhuang,  
[arXiv:1703.08856](https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.08856)
- Y. Sun, C. M. Ko, and F. Li, Phys. Rev. C94, 045204 (2016);  
Y. Sun and C.M. Ko Phys. Rev. C95, 034909 (2017)

# Bjorken boost invariance (I)



- Central rapidity regime

- Longitudinal boost Invariance

- Proper time

$$\tau = \sqrt{t^2 - z^2}.$$

- Bjorken velocity

$$\beta_z = \frac{z}{t}$$

# Bjorken boost invariance (II)

- Dirac equation

$$i \left( \gamma^0 \partial_\tau + \frac{\gamma^z}{\tau} D_\eta + \gamma^i D_i \right) \hat{\psi} = 0$$

- $\tau$  (proper time) and  $\eta$  (space rapidity) coordinates
- Gauge:

$$A_\tau = 0$$

- Spinor basis

$$\tilde{\psi} \rightarrow \tau^{1/2} e^{-\frac{\eta}{2}\gamma^0\gamma^z} \psi$$

# Bjorken boost invariance (II)

- Boost invariance
  - Assuming no  $\eta$  (space rapidity) dependence in gauge field
  - Fourier transform

$$\tilde{\psi} \rightarrow e^{\mp i p_\perp \tau \cosh(y-\eta)} \chi_{\mp}$$

–  $y$ : momentum rapidity,  $\eta$ : space rapidity

$$\left( \partial_\tau \mp i p_\perp e^{-\sigma^3(y-\eta)} + i \frac{\sigma^3}{\tau} g A_\eta + \sigma^i D_i \right) \chi_{\mp}^R(\tau, \mathbf{x}_T; y-\eta) = 0$$

- spinor depends on  $y-\eta$

F. Gelis, K. Kajantie, and T. Lappi, Phys. Rev. C71, 024904 (2005)

F. Gelis and N. Tanji, JHEP 02, 126 (2016)

S. Ebihara, K. Fukushima, and SP, Phys. Rev. D96 (2017), 016016

# Ordinary boost invariant kinetic theory

- Central rapidity

$$z \simeq 0,$$

- Longitudinal boost invariance (1+1 D expansion)

$$f(z, p_z, t) = f(z = 0, p_z - \beta_z |\mathbf{p}|, \tau)$$

$$\tau = \sqrt{t^2 - z^2}, \quad \beta_z = z/t.$$

**G. Baym, PLB (1984)**

# Ordinary boost invariant kinetic theory

- Kinetic theory:

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{p_z}{|\mathbf{p}|} \partial_z \right) f(z, p_z, t) = C[f]$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \frac{p_z}{t} \frac{\partial}{\partial p_z} \right) f(z=0, p_z - \beta_z |\mathbf{p}|, \tau) = C[f]$$

- Particle number conservation:

Charge density

$$n = \int d^3 p f$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} n + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{z}{t} n \right) = 0}$$



System is expanded.

# Boost invariance chiral kinetic theory (I)

- Central rapidity

$$z \simeq 0,$$

- Longitudinal expansion, homogenous in transverse direction  $\mathbf{x}_\perp = (x, y)$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_\perp = (p_x, p_y)$

$$\begin{aligned} f(z, \mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{p}_z, \mathbf{p}_\perp, t) &= f(z=0, \mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{p}_z - \beta_z |\mathbf{p}|, \mathbf{p}_\perp, \tau) \\ &\quad + \hbar \delta \mathbf{x} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} f + \hbar \delta \mathbf{p} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}} f \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta \mathbf{x} = \hbar \frac{\boldsymbol{\beta} \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2|\mathbf{p}|},$$

$$\boldsymbol{\beta} = \frac{z}{t} \mathbf{e}_z$$

$$\delta \mathbf{p} = \hbar \frac{\boldsymbol{\beta} \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2|\mathbf{p}|} \times \mathbf{B}$$

# Boost invariance chiral kinetic theory(II)

We consider the Right-handed fermions only.

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}) \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \left[ (1 + 2\mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}) \hat{\mathbf{p}} + \mathbf{E} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{p_z}{t} \mathbf{e}_z \times \boldsymbol{\Omega} \right]_{\perp} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{\perp}} + \left[ \mathbf{E} + (1 + 2\mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}) \hat{\mathbf{p}} \times \mathbf{B} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + (\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \boldsymbol{\Omega} - \frac{B_z p_z}{t} \boldsymbol{\Omega} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{p}{t} [\hat{p}_z + (\mathbf{E} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega})_z] \mathbf{e}_z \right] \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{p}} = 0 . \end{aligned}$$

# Without external fields

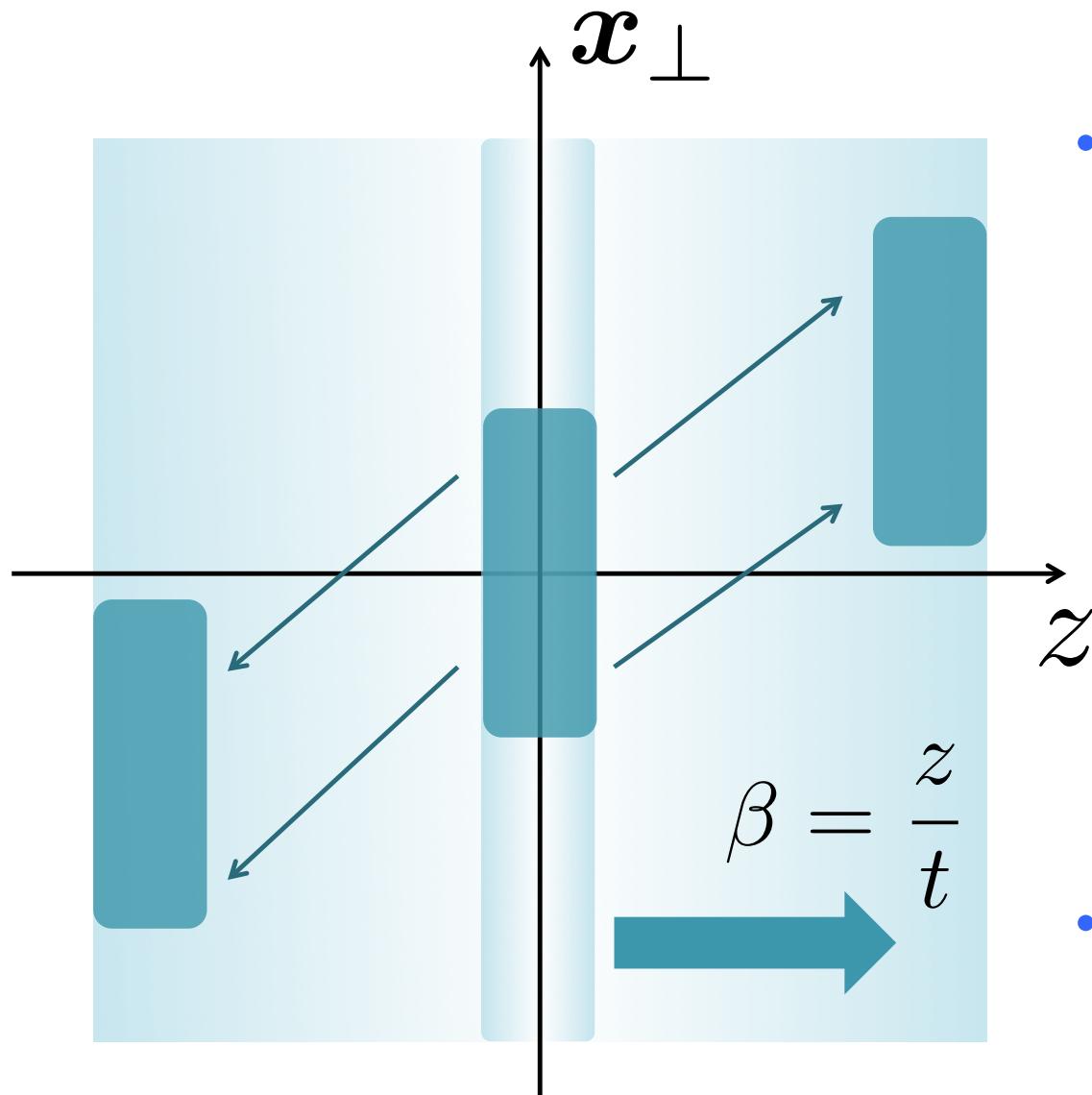
$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{z}{t} n \right) + \nabla_{\perp} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{j}}_{\perp} = 0 ,$$

- Particle number

$$n \equiv \int_{\mathbf{p}} f \quad \perp = (x, y)$$

- $\tilde{\mathbf{j}}_{\perp} \equiv \int_{\mathbf{p}} \left\{ \hat{\mathbf{p}} + \boxed{\hbar \left[ -\frac{p_z}{t} \mathbf{e}_z \times \boldsymbol{\Omega} \right]} \right\}_{\perp} f .$

# Measurement with side-jump



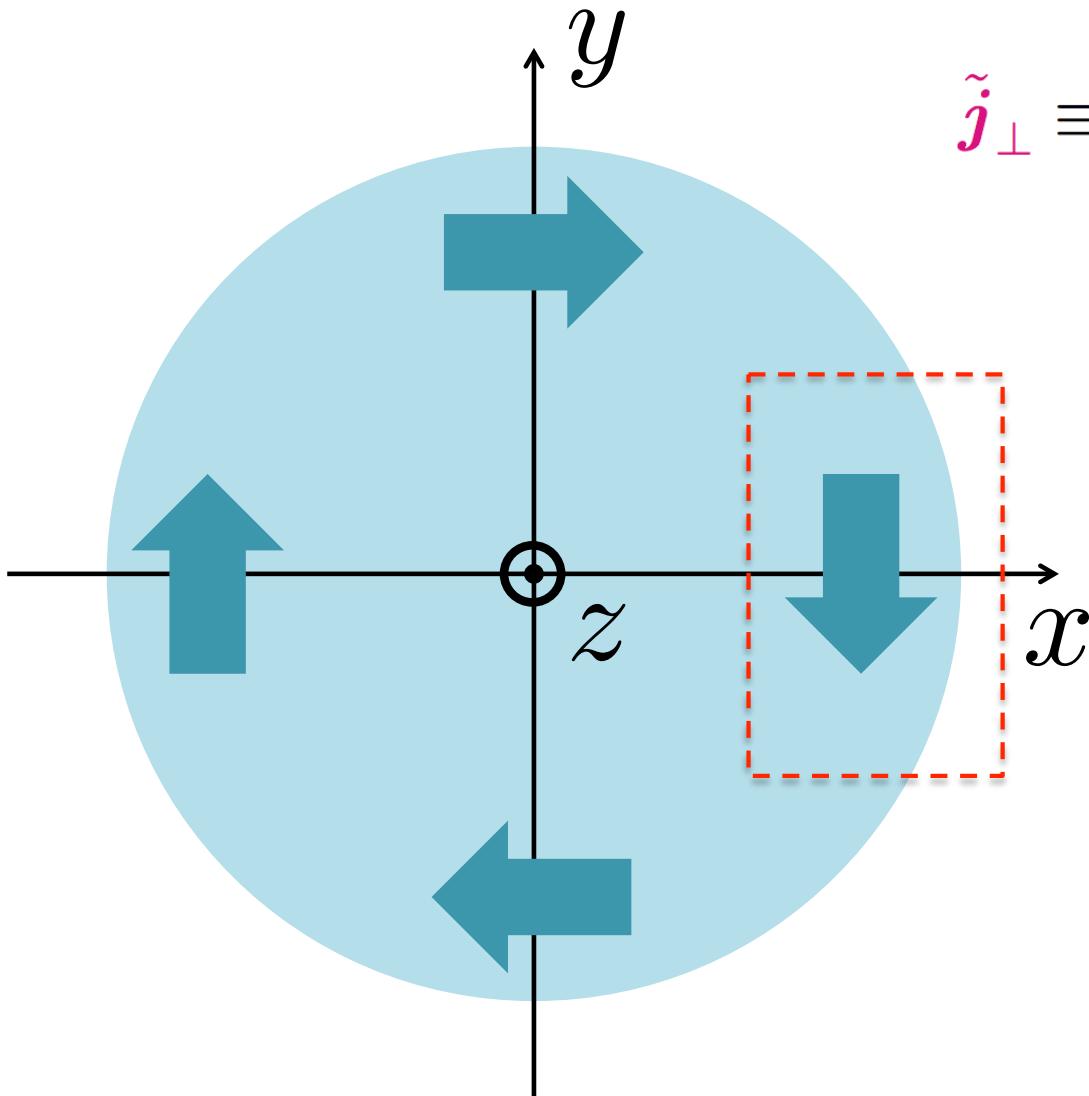
- When we boost  $f(z)$  back to  $z=0$ , because of side-jump,

$$\delta \mathbf{x} = \hbar \frac{\boldsymbol{\beta} \times \hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2|\mathbf{p}|},$$

The media in transverse plane is required.

- It is new!

# Chiral circular displacement



$$\tilde{\mathbf{j}}_{\perp} \equiv \int_{\mathbf{p}} \left\{ \hat{\mathbf{p}} + \hbar \left[ -\frac{p_z}{t} \mathbf{e}_z \times \boldsymbol{\Omega} \right] \right\}_{\perp} f .$$

- Assuming:

$$z > 0, x \gg y, \\ \Rightarrow p_y \sim 0, p_x, p_z > 0,$$

$$\boxed{-\frac{p_z}{t} (\mathbf{e}_z \times \frac{p_x}{2|\mathbf{p}|^3})_y < 0}$$

# Analogy to Thomas precession (I)

- **Thomas precession:**  
For an accelerated object, besides the standard Lorentz boost, it is rotating in lab frame.

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}_T = -\frac{\gamma^2}{\gamma + 1} \mathbf{v} \times \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt}$$



- **e.g. Thomas half**  
correction to spin-orbital interactions between electron and nucleus in hydrogenic atoms.

# Analogy to Thomas precession (II)

- 4-velocity form: vorticity (!!?)

$$\omega_T = -\frac{\gamma^2}{\gamma + 1} \mathbf{v} \times \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt}.$$



$$\frac{1}{\gamma + 1} \omega^\mu = \frac{1}{\gamma + 1} \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} u_\nu \partial_\alpha u_\beta$$

- Is Chiral circular displacement (or side-jump) related to the Thomas precession (or vorticity)?

# Particle number conservation

$$\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{z}{t} \tilde{n} \right) + \nabla_{\perp} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{j}}_{\perp} = \frac{\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{(2\pi\hbar)^2} f(p=0)$$

- number density

$$n \equiv \int_{\mathbf{p}} (1 + \hbar \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}) f$$

- $\tilde{n} \equiv n - \hbar \int_{\mathbf{p}} [2\hat{p}_z (\mathbf{E} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega})_z + \mathbf{B}_{\perp} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega}_{\perp}] f ,$

**CME, anomalous Hall current  
+ Expansion in z direction**

- $\tilde{\mathbf{j}}_{\perp} \equiv \int_{\mathbf{p}} \left\{ \hat{\mathbf{p}} + \hbar \left[ \underbrace{(2\mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Omega})\hat{\mathbf{p}}}_{\text{CME}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{E} \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}}_{\text{Anomalous Hall current}} - \underbrace{\frac{p_z}{t} \mathbf{e}_z \times \boldsymbol{\Omega}}_{\text{Side-jump}} \right] \right\}_{\perp} f .$

CME

Anomalous Hall current

Side-jump

# Summary

# Summary

- Boost invariant formulation of the chiral kinetic theory
- Chiral circular displacement
- Analogy to Thomas precession (vorticity)

# Thank you!