

# Hydrodynamics of Holographic Superconductors

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# Outline

- Review of the Model
- Hydrodynamics
- Holographic Hydro by Quasinormal Modes
- Summary and Outlook

related work: Kovtun, Herzog, Son [arXiv:0809.4870], Herzog, Pufu [arXiv:0902.0409],  
Herzog, Yarom [arXiv:0906.4810], Yarom [arXiv:arXiv:0903.1353],  
Maeda, Nustuume, Okamura [arXiv:0904.1914]

# The Model

- Can we realize spontaneous symmetry breaking as function of temperature in AdS/CFT?
- Hartnoll, Herzog, Horowitz: YES, we can! [arXiv: 0803.3295]  
based on Gubser [arXiv:0801.2977]
- Abelian Higgs model in AdS-Blackhole background
- decoupling limit charge  $q \rightarrow \infty$

- $$ds^2 = -\left(\frac{r^2}{L^2} - \frac{M}{r}\right)dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{\frac{r^2}{L^2} - \frac{M}{r}} + \frac{r^2}{L^2}(dx^2 + dy^2)$$

$$L = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} - m^2\Psi\bar{\Psi} - (\partial_\mu\Psi - iA_\mu\Psi)(\partial^\mu\bar{\Psi} + iA^\mu\bar{\Psi})$$

# The Model

• eoms: 
$$\Psi'' + \left(\frac{f'}{f} + \frac{2}{\rho}\right)\Psi' + \frac{\Phi^2}{f^2}\Psi + \frac{2}{L^2 f}\Psi = 0$$

$$\Phi'' + \frac{2}{\rho}\Phi' - \frac{2\Psi^2}{f}\Phi = 0$$

• boundary conditions at Horizon:  $\Phi(\rho_H) = 0$  ,  $\Psi(\rho_H)$

why? bulk current  $J_\mu = \psi^2 A_\mu$  finite norm at the Horizon

• values at boundary

$$\Phi = \bar{\mu} - \frac{\bar{n}}{\rho} + O\left(\frac{1}{\rho^2}\right)$$

$$\Psi = \frac{\psi_1}{\rho} + \frac{\psi_2}{\rho^2} + O\left(\frac{1}{\rho^2}\right)$$

$$\bar{\mu} = \frac{3L}{4\pi T} \mu,$$

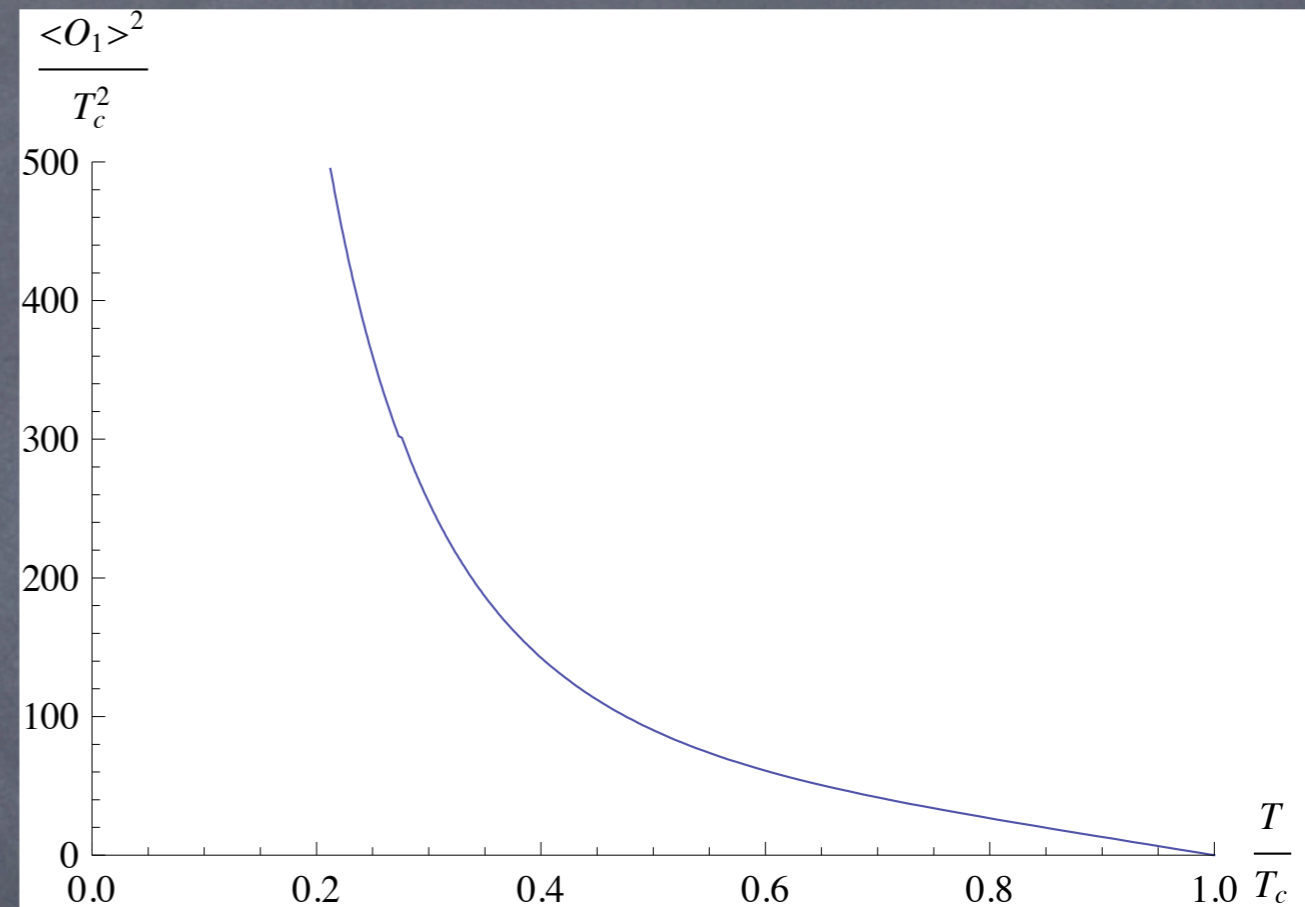
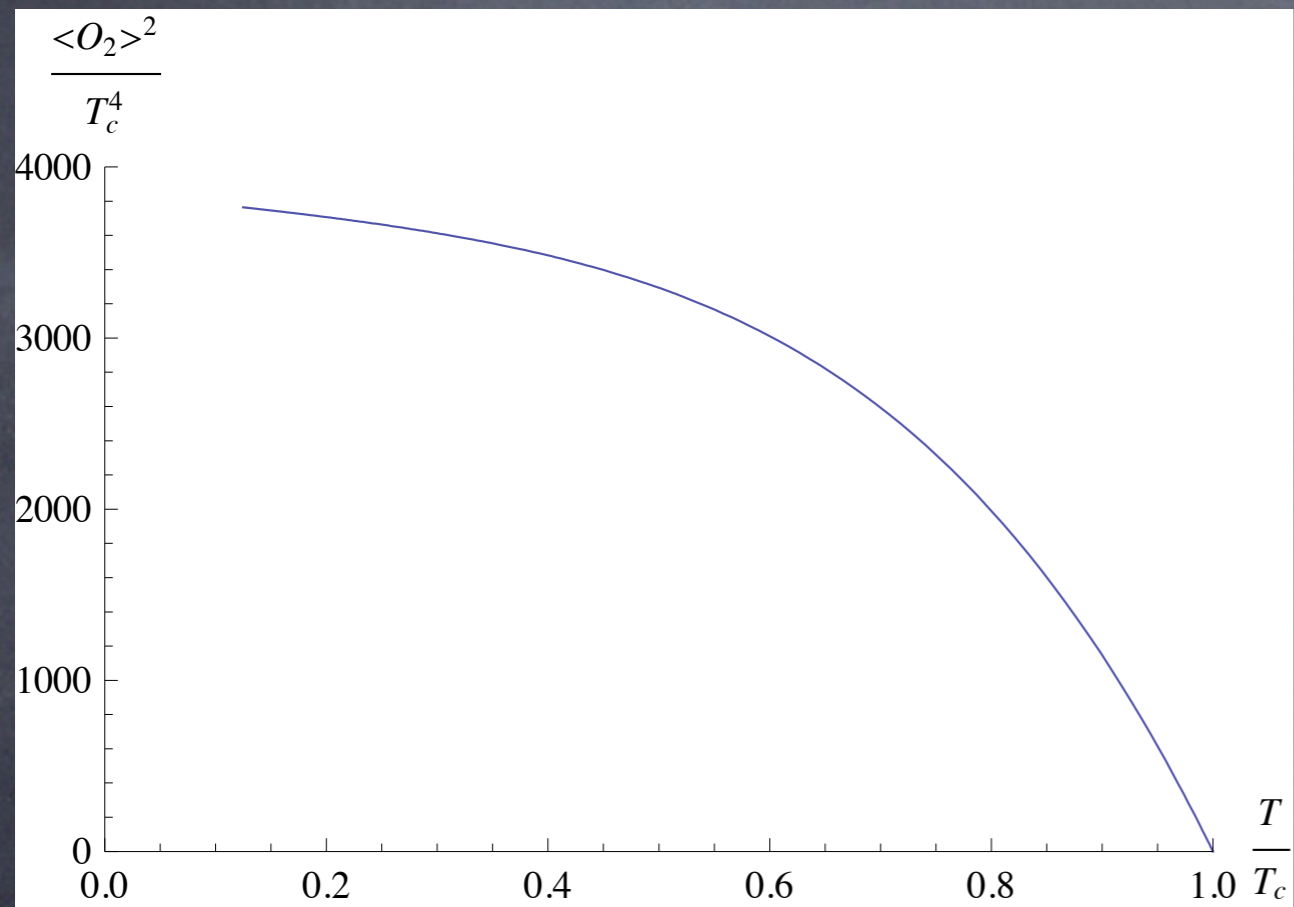
$$\bar{n} = \frac{9L}{16\pi^2 T^2} n,$$

$$\psi_1 = \frac{3}{4\pi T L^2} \langle O_1 \rangle,$$

$$\psi_2 = \frac{9}{16\pi^2 T^2 L^4} \langle O_2 \rangle,$$

# The Model

- solve eom with either  $\psi_2 = 0$  or  $\psi_1 = 0$



$$\langle O_i \rangle^2 \propto \left( 1 - \frac{T}{T_c} \right)$$

# Hydrodynamics

• Hydrodynamics = slow modes  $\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \omega(k) = 0$

• conservation law  $\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} = 0$

• constitutive relation with external source

$$\vec{j} = -D \vec{\nabla} n + \sigma \vec{E}$$

• taking time derivative and using the continuity eqn

$$\langle j_L \rangle = \frac{i\sigma\omega^2}{\omega + iD\vec{k}^2} A_L$$

$$\sigma = \frac{-i}{\omega} \langle j_L j_L \rangle_{k=0}$$

# Hydrodynamics

- broken phase: take Goldstone mode into account (Chaikin, Lubensky)

- generic prediction: appearance of sound modes

- predicts correlator  $\langle j_L j_L \rangle = \frac{\hat{\sigma} \omega^2}{\omega^2 - \hat{D} \vec{k}^2}$   $\hat{D} = v_S^2$

- and conductivity

$$\sigma(\omega) = \frac{-i}{\omega + i\epsilon} \hat{\sigma} = -i\mathcal{P} \left( \frac{1}{\omega} \right) + \pi \hat{\sigma} \delta(\omega) \quad \hat{\sigma} = n_S$$

- including dissipation:

$$\omega = \pm v_s k - i\Gamma_s k^2$$

# Hydro and QNMs

- poles of retarded Green functions = Quasinormal Modes
- "Eigenmodes"

- Horizon: infalling  $\Psi_H = (\rho - 1)^{-i\omega/3} (1 + O(\rho - 1))$

- Boundary: Pole of holographic GF

- complex scalar field  $\Psi_B = \frac{A}{\rho} + \frac{B}{\rho^2} + O\left(\frac{1}{\rho^3}\right)$

- theory I  $\langle O_1 \bar{O}_1 \rangle = \frac{A}{B}$     theory II  $\langle O_2 \bar{O}_2 \rangle = \frac{B}{A}$

- complex frequencies

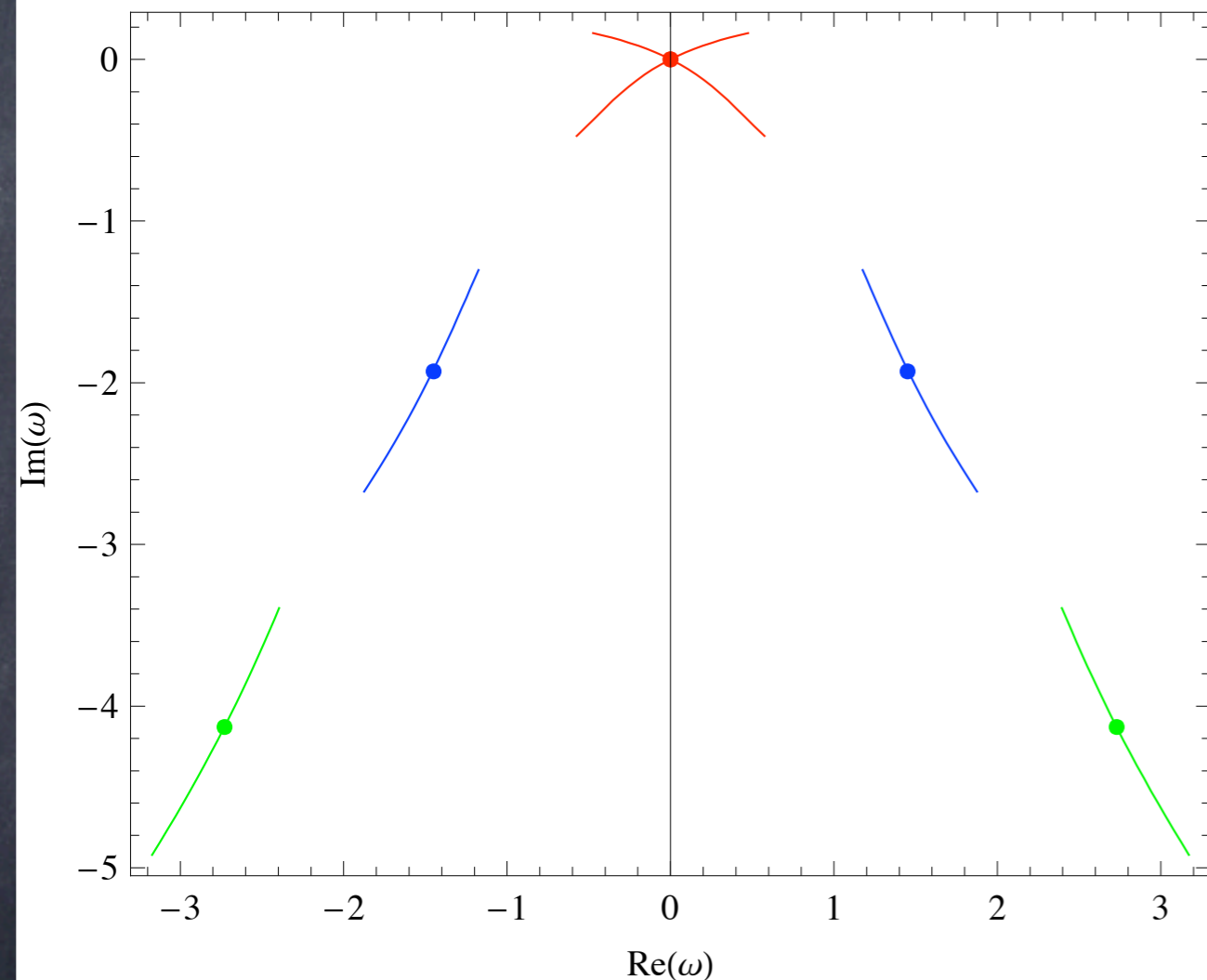
$$\Psi \propto e^{-i\omega_R t} e^{-\omega_I t}$$



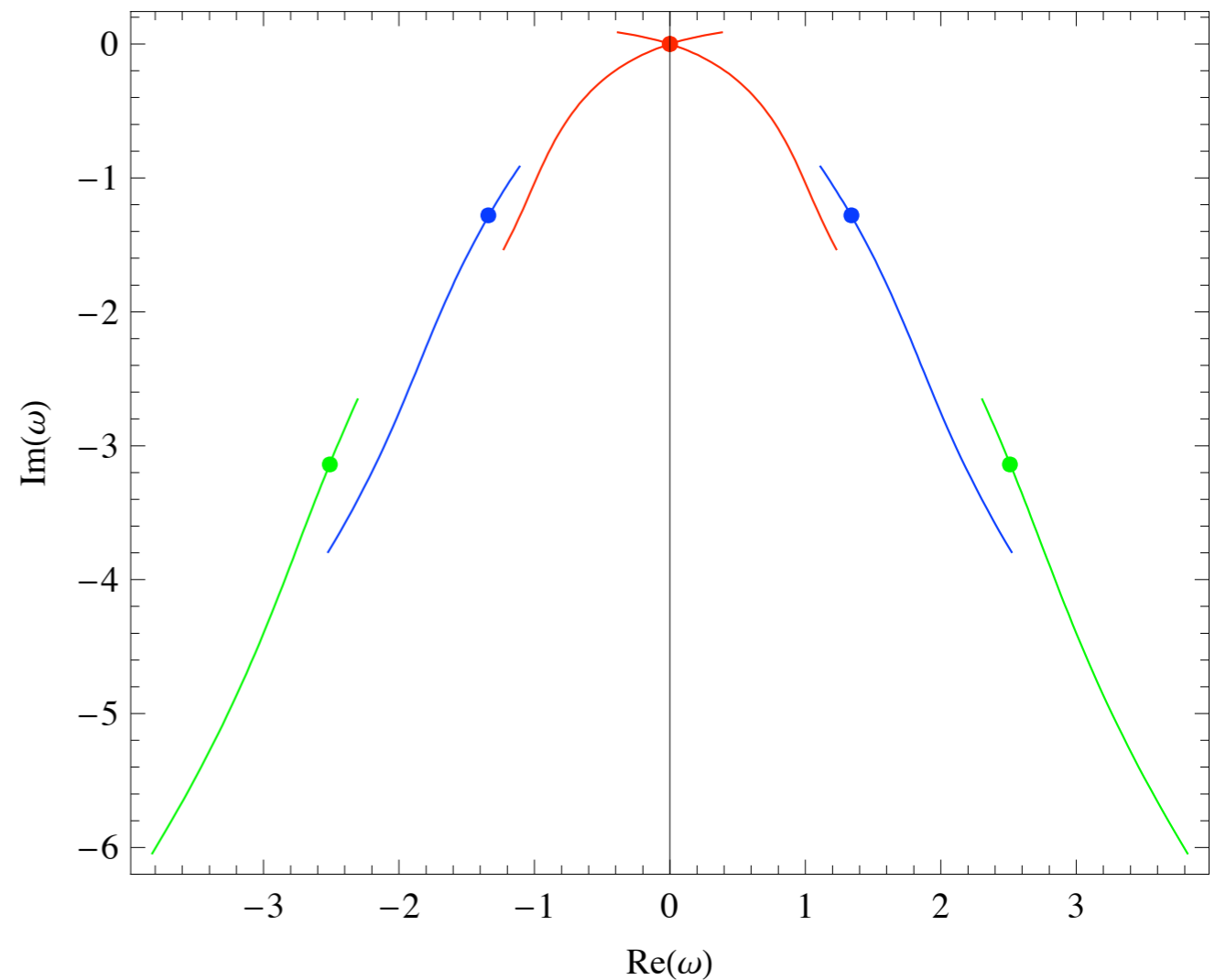
# Hydro and QNMs

- Unbroken phase: superconducting Instability

$O_1$  Theory



$O_2$  Theory



- Vector channel: Diffusion mode  $D = \frac{3}{4\pi T}$

# Hydro and QNMs

## Broken phase: Second sound and Pseudodiffusion

$$0 = f\eta'' + \left(f' + \frac{2f}{\rho}\right)\eta' + \left(\frac{\phi^2}{f} + \frac{2}{L^2} + \frac{\omega^2}{f} - \frac{k^2}{\rho^2}\right)\eta - \frac{2i\omega\phi}{f}\sigma - \frac{i\omega\psi}{f}a_t - \frac{ik\psi}{r^2}a_x,$$

$$0 = f\sigma'' + \left(f' + \frac{2f}{\rho}\right)\sigma' + \left(\frac{\phi^2}{f} + \frac{2}{L^2} + \frac{\omega^2}{f} - \frac{k^2}{\rho^2}\right)\sigma + \frac{2\phi\psi}{f}a_t + \frac{2i\omega\phi}{f}\eta,$$

$$0 = fa_t'' + \frac{2f}{\rho}a_t' - \left(\frac{k^2}{\rho^2} + 2\psi^2\right)a_t - \frac{\omega k}{\rho^2}a_x - 2i\omega\psi\eta - 4\psi\phi\sigma,$$

$$0 = fa_x'' + f'a_x' + \left(\frac{\omega^2}{f} - 2\psi^2\right)a_x + \frac{\omega k}{f}a_t + 2ik\psi\eta.$$

constraint:  $\frac{\omega}{f}a_t' + \frac{k}{\rho^2}a_x' = 2i(\psi'\eta - \psi\eta')$

local ward identity:  $\partial_\mu\langle j^\mu \rangle = 2\langle O_i \rangle\eta_0^i$

# Hydro and QNMs

• How to compute QNMs of coupled system

• four l.i. solutions (one is pure gauge)

$$\eta^{IV} = i\lambda\psi, \quad \sigma^{IV} = 0, \quad a_t^{IV} = \lambda\omega, \quad a_x^{IV} = -\lambda k.$$

• rescale scalar fields  $\tilde{\eta}(\rho) = \rho\eta(\rho)$  ,  $\tilde{\sigma}(\rho) = \rho\sigma(\rho)$

• general solution is now

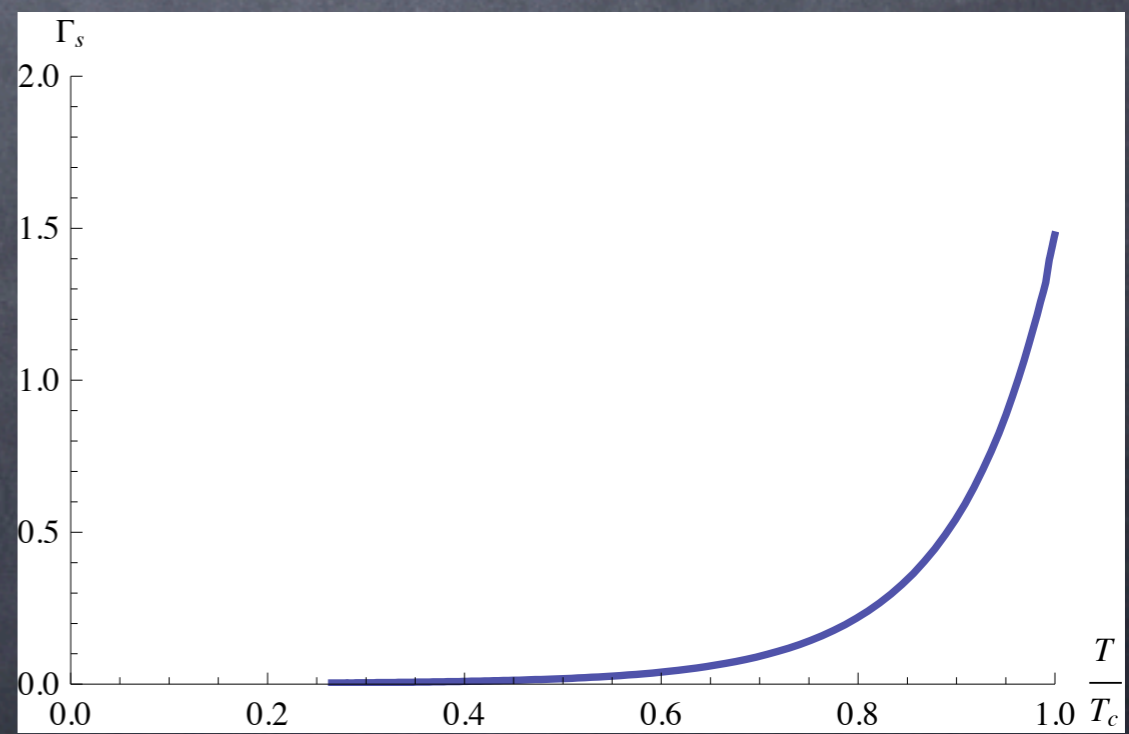
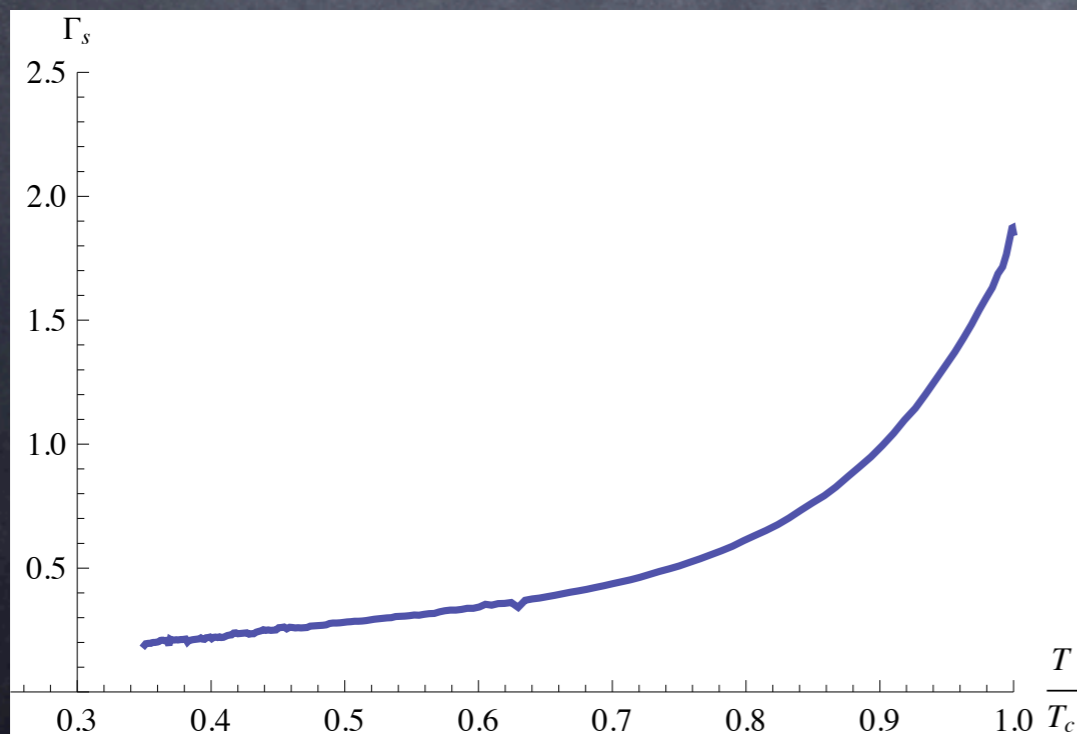
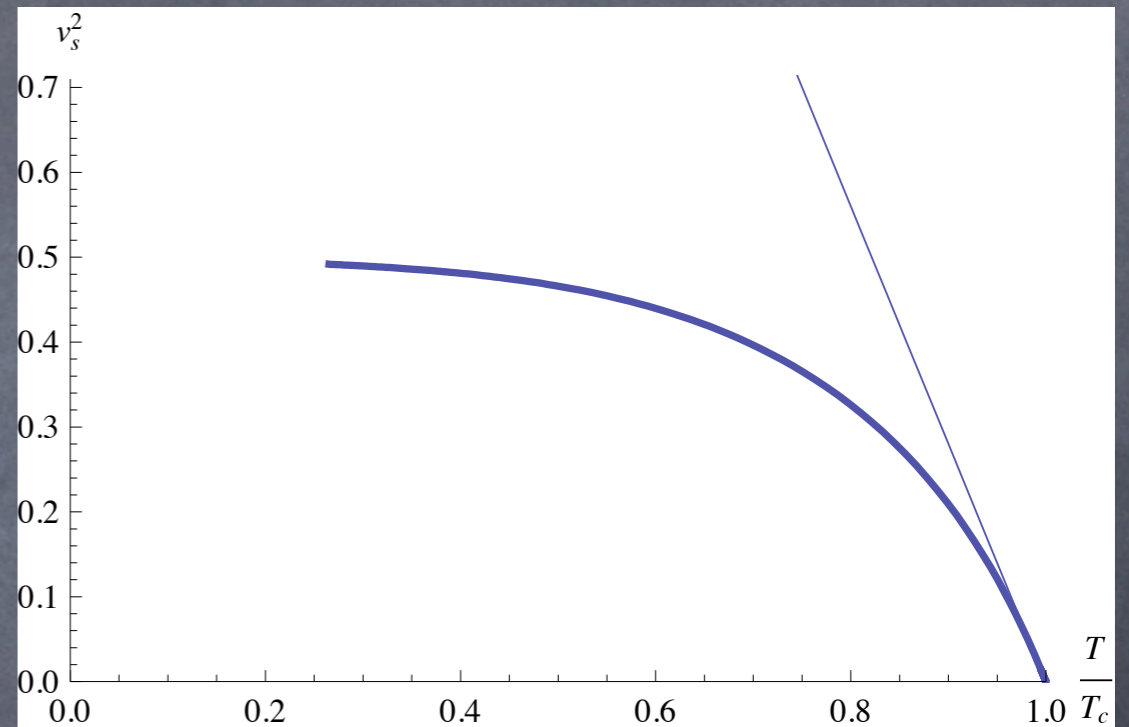
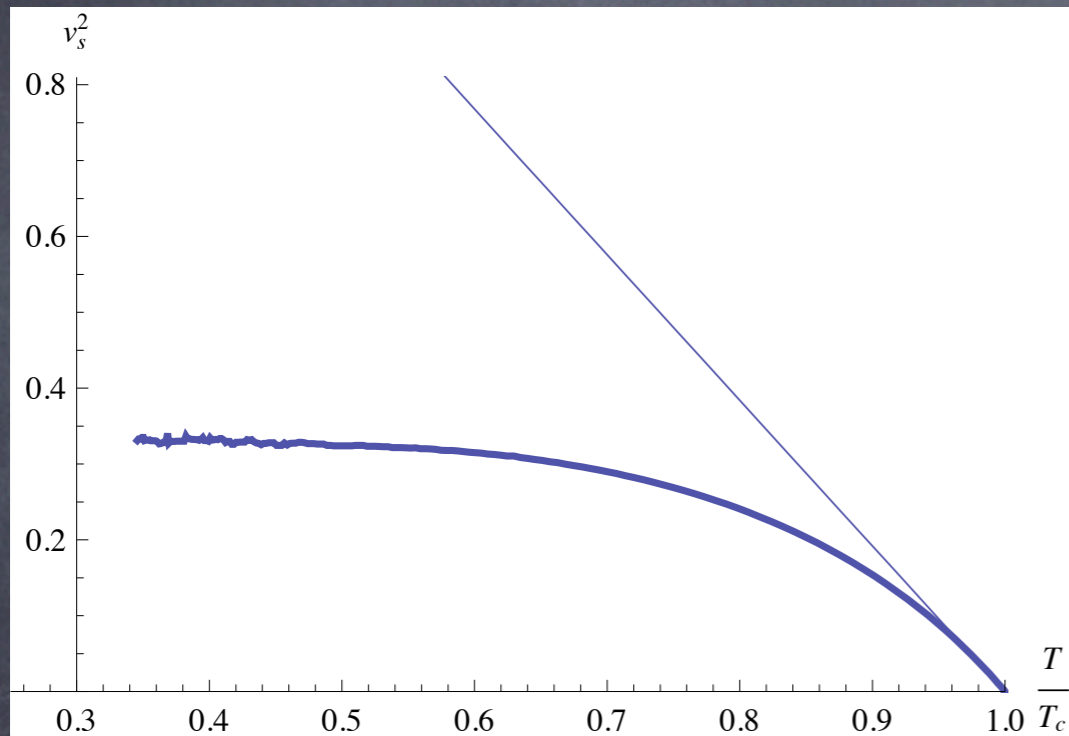
$$\varphi_i = \alpha_1\varphi_i^I + \alpha_2\varphi_i^{II} + \alpha_3\varphi_i^{III} + \alpha_4\varphi_i^{IV}$$

• QNM = no-source term  $\rightarrow$  zero determinant

$$0 = \begin{vmatrix} \varphi_\eta^I & \varphi_\eta^{II} & \varphi_\eta^{III} & \varphi_\eta^{IV} \\ \varphi_\sigma^I & \varphi_\sigma^{II} & \varphi_\sigma^{III} & \varphi_\sigma^{IV} \\ \varphi_t^I & \varphi_t^{II} & \varphi_t^{III} & \varphi_t^{IV} \\ \varphi_x^I & \varphi_x^{II} & \varphi_x^{III} & \varphi_x^{IV} \end{vmatrix}_{\rho=\Lambda}$$

# Hydro and QNMs

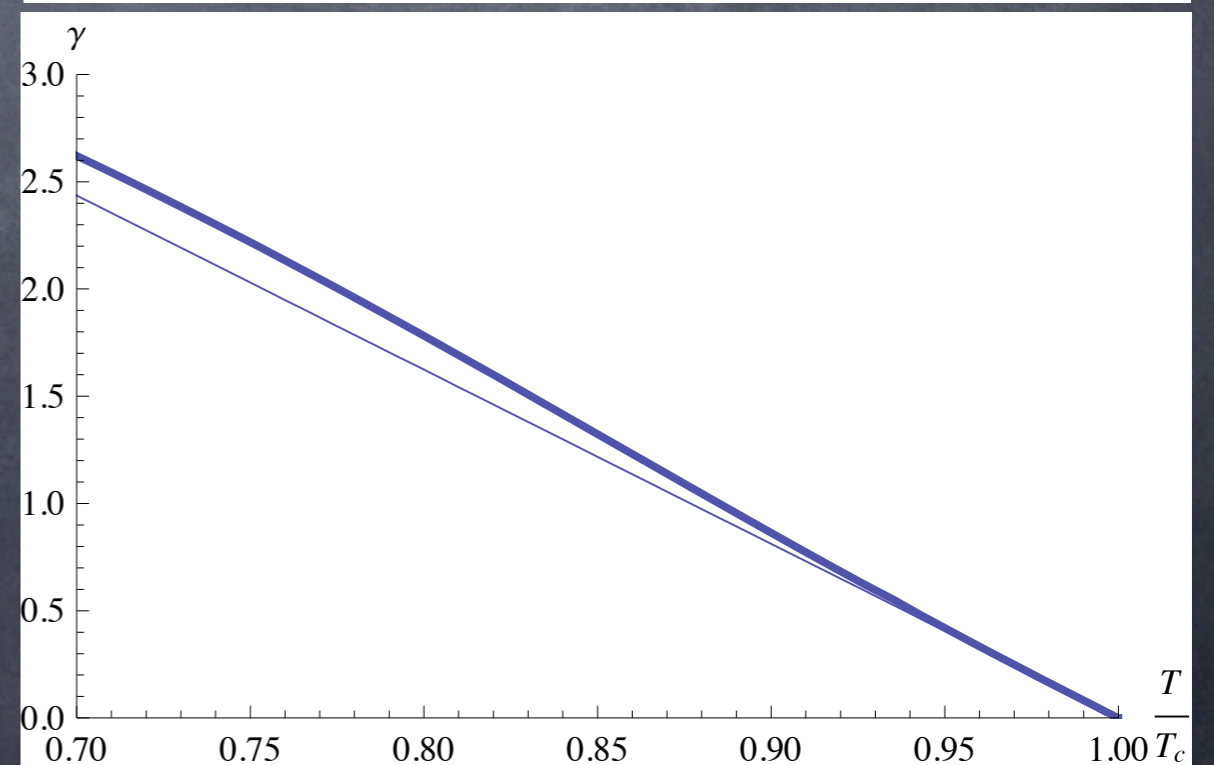
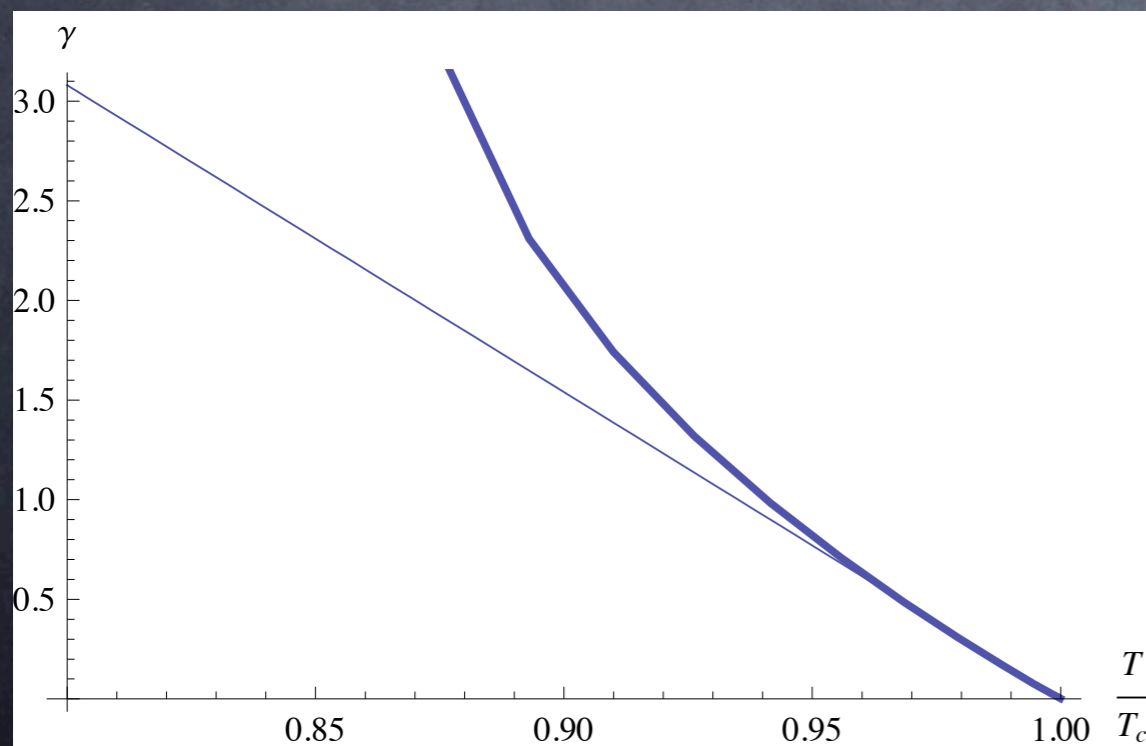
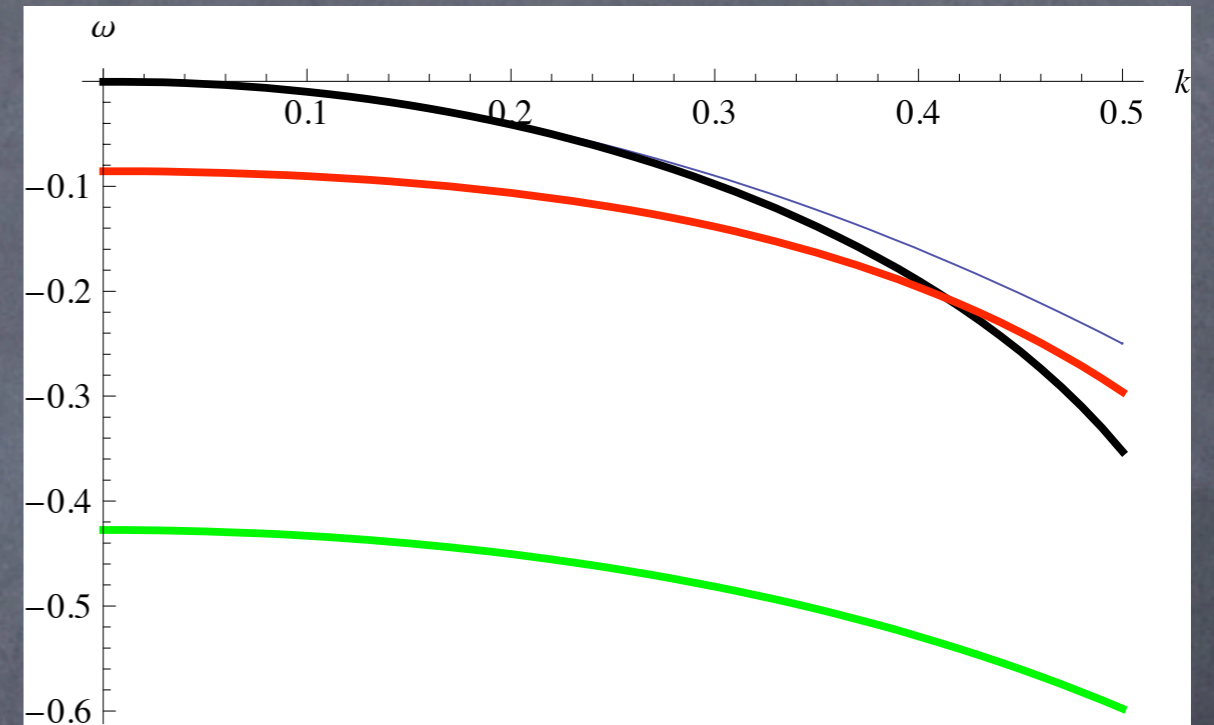
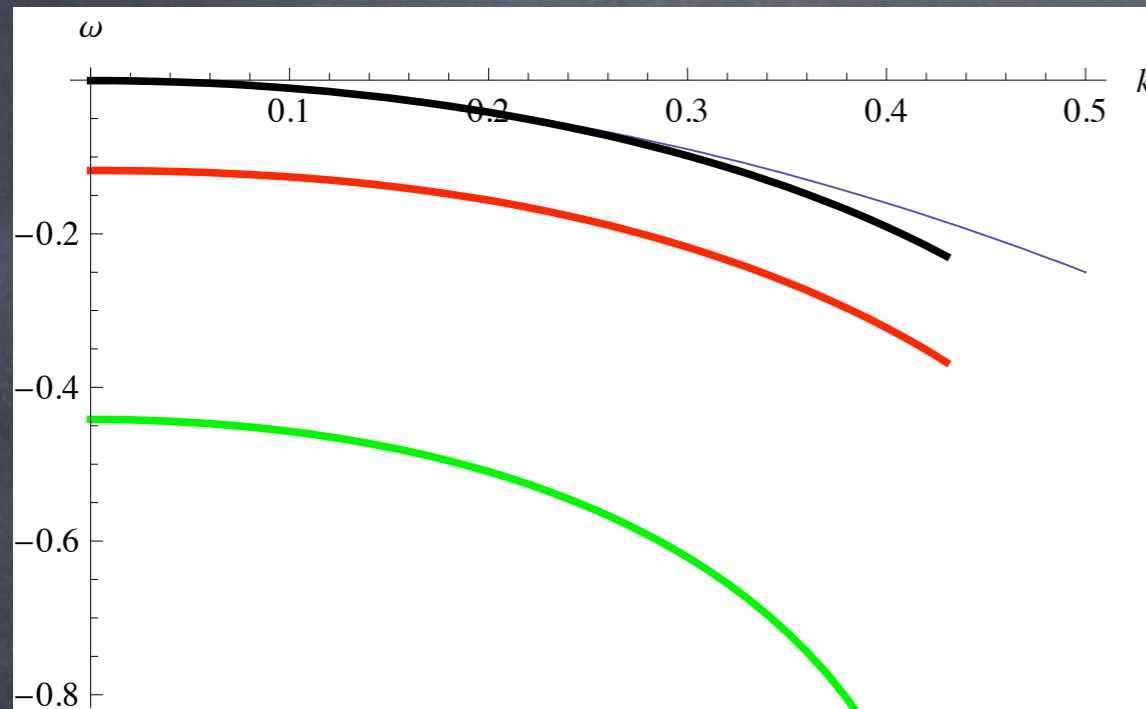
Dispersion relation:  $\omega = v_s k - i\Gamma_s k^2$



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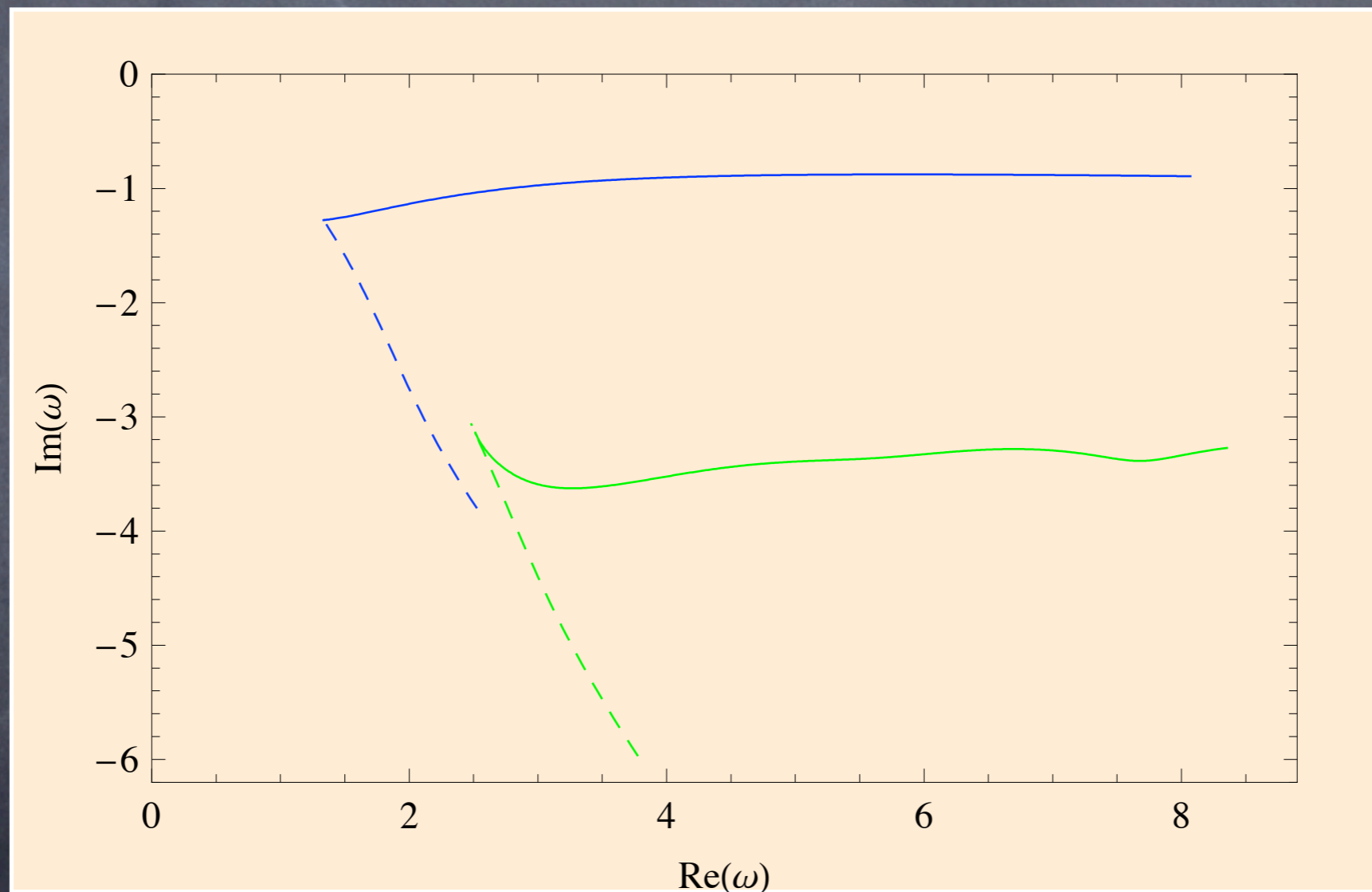
⦿ Pseudo Diffusion

$$\omega = -iDk^2 - i\gamma$$



# Hydro and QNMs

- Higher Quasinormal modes



# Summary and Outlook

- Relevant modes of the phase transition
  - unbroken phase: 1 Diffusion mode
  - critical point: 2 massless scalar modes + Diffusion
  - broken phase: 2 modes of sound, Pseudo Diffusion, dynamical scaling  $z=2$
- Outlook:
  - study hydro QNMs in the backreacted model
  - (much) more complicated 11 coupled diff eqns
  - two different mechanism of spontaneous symmetry breaking?  
(2 different QNMs cross the real axes for large and small charges)
  - include fermionic operator