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MC-EKRT event generator for initializing 3+1 D hydrodynamics

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We present a Monte-Carlo implementation of the EKRT initial-state model (MC-EKRT) [1]. Our new MC-EKRT event generator is based on collinearly factorized, dynamically fluctuating pQCD minijet production, supplemented with a saturation conjecture that controls the low- p_T particle production. Previously, the EKRT model has been very successful in describing low- p_T observables at mid-rapidity in heavy-ion collisions at RHIC and LHC energies [2,3]. As novel features, our new MC implementation gives a full 3-dimensional initial state event-by-event, and includes dynamical fluctuations in the saturation and particle production. As a proof of principle study, we average a large set of event-by-event MC-EKRT initial conditions and compute the rapidity and centrality dependence of the charged hadron multiplicities and elliptic flow for the LHC Pb+Pb collisions using 3+1 D viscous fluid dynamical evolution. In particular, we show that global energy conservation and spatial dependence of the nuclear PDFs are essential features to reach a good agreement with the measurements.

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