

Cumulants from global baryon number conservation with short-range correlations

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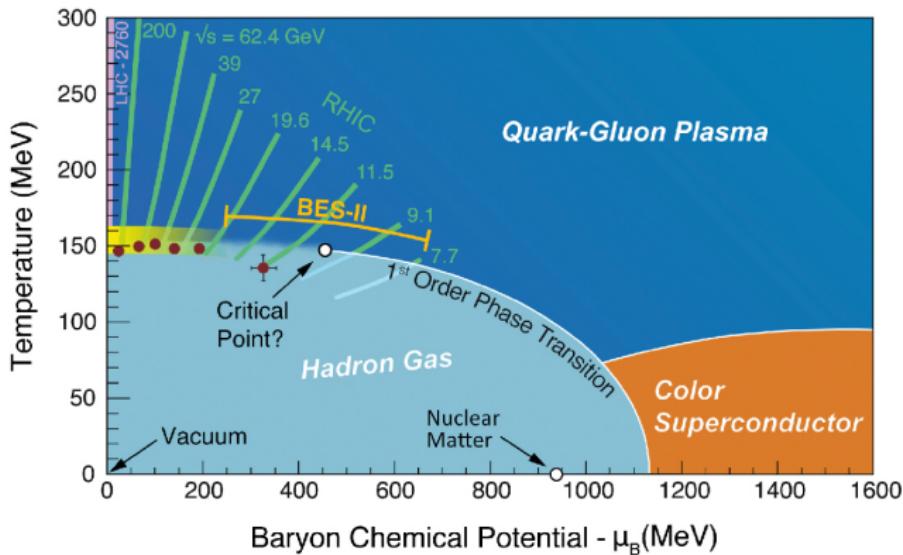
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- ② Problem formulation and method
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- ④ Summary

Motivation

The conjectured QCD phase diagram

- Most of this is only an educated guess based on effective models.
- Search for the critical point - conserved charges fluctuations.
- Experiments: heavy-ion collisions at different energies.



A. Bzdak, S. Esumi, V. Koch, J. Liao, M. Stephanov and N. Xu, Phys. Rept. **853**, 1-87 (2020)
A. Aprahamian, A. Robert, H. Caines, et al., *Reaching for the horizon: The 2015 long range plan for nuclear science*

Cumulants vs factorial cumulants

Cumulants

- + naturally appear in statistical mechanics and in Lattice QCD calculations,
- + often measured in experiments,
- they mix correlation functions of different orders.

Generating func: $K(t) = \ln [\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n)e^{tn}]$

$$\text{Cumulants: } \kappa_i = \left. \frac{d^i K}{dt^i} \right|_{t=0}$$

Factorial cumulants

- + integrated genuine correlation functions
⇒ easier to interpret,
- not directly connected with statistical mechanics and rarely measured.

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$$\text{Factorial cumulants: } \hat{C}_k = \left. \frac{d^k G}{dz^k} \right|_{z=1}$$

- Cumulants can be calculated from factorial cumulants:

$$\kappa_n = \sum_{k=1}^n S(n, k) \hat{C}_k ,$$

where $S(n, k)$ is the Stirling number of the second kind.

B. Friman and K. Redlich, [arXiv:2205.07332 [nucl-th]].

- For example,

$$\kappa_1 = \langle n \rangle = \hat{C}_1 ,$$

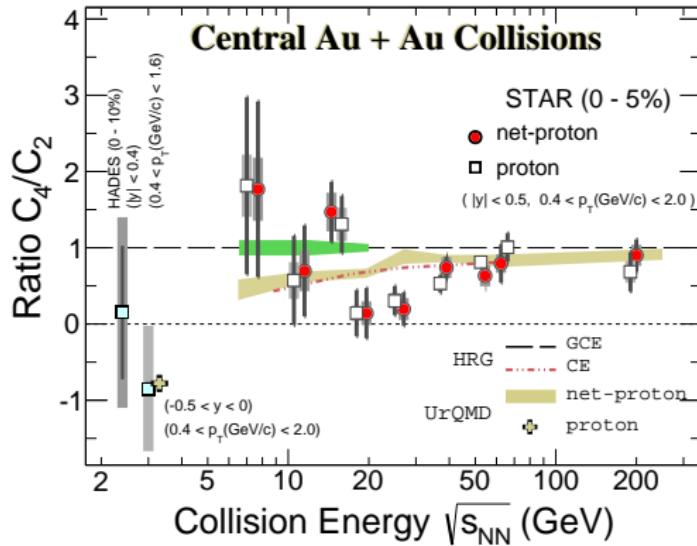
$$\kappa_2 = \langle n \rangle + \hat{C}_2 ,$$

$$\kappa_3 = \langle n \rangle + 3\hat{C}_2 + \hat{C}_3 ,$$

$$\kappa_4 = \langle n \rangle + 7\hat{C}_2 + 6\hat{C}_3 + \hat{C}_4 .$$

STAR and HADES results

κ_4/κ_2 (denoted by STAR as C_4/C_2) depends non-monotonically on energy.
Possible signature of the critical phenomena?



M. S. Abdallah *et al.* [STAR], Phys. Rev. Lett. **128**, no.20, 202303 (2022)

J. Adamczewski-Musch *et al.* [HADES], Phys. Rev. C **102**, no.2, 024914 (2020)

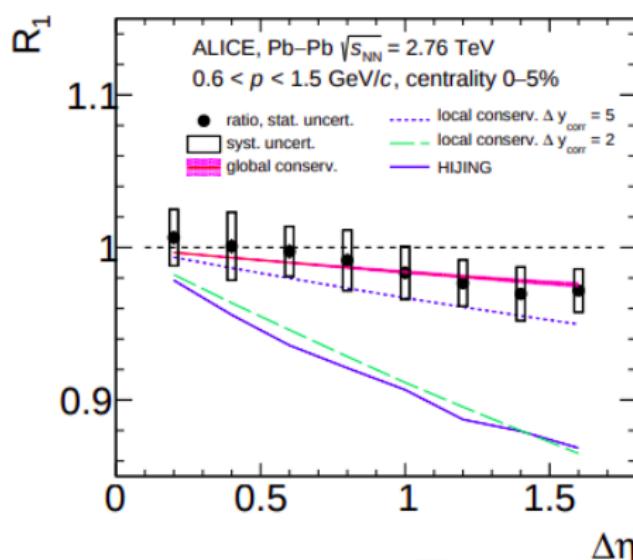
Effects contributing to fluctuations

- Fluctuations may reflect the desired phase transition
- ... but they may be due to other usual effects (background):
 - small fluctuations of the impact parameter (and thus the number of wounded nucleons)
V. Skokov, B. Friman and K. Redlich, Phys. Rev. C **88**, 034911 (2013)
 - **global baryon number conservation**
Baryon number conservation modifies cumulants.
A. Bzdak, V. Koch and V. Skokov, Phys. Rev. C **87**, no.1, 014901 (2013)
V. Vovchenko, V. Koch and C. Shen, Phys. Rev. C **105**, no.1, 014904 (2022)
P. Braun-Munzinger, B. Friman, K. Redlich, A. Rustamov and J. Stachel,
Nucl. Phys. A **1008**, 122141 (2021)
- It's essential to know the "background" in order to extract the "signal".

ALICE results

- Global baryon number conservation is favored over local conservation and leads to long-range correlations.

S. Acharya *et al.* [ALICE], Phys. Lett. B 807, 135564 (2020)



$$R_1 = \frac{\kappa_2(n_p - n_{\bar{p}})}{\langle n_p + n_{\bar{p}} \rangle}$$

- normalized 2nd net-proton cumulant

- Another explanation: $B\bar{B}$ annihilation + local baryon conservation

O. Savchuk, V. Vovchenko, V. Koch, J. Steinheimer and H. Stoecker, PLB 827, 136983 (2022)

- It's necessary to study other cumulants and factorial cumulants.

Mixed factorial cumulants can verify global conservation

MB and A. Bzdak, Phys. Rev. C **102**, no.6, 064908 (2020)

- Mixed proton-antiproton factorial cumulants can be measured.
- They carry more information than net-proton cumulants.
- $\hat{C}^{(n,m)}$ - n -proton and m -antiproton factorial cumulant from global baryon number conservation.

$$\hat{C}^{(1,0)} = p \langle N_b \rangle_c$$

$$\hat{C}^{(2,0)} = -p^2 (\langle N_b \rangle_c + \Delta)$$

$$\hat{C}^{(1,1)} = -p\bar{p}\Delta$$

$$\hat{C}^{(3,0)} = p^3 [2! (\langle N_b \rangle_c + \Delta + \frac{1}{2}\gamma)]$$

$$\hat{C}^{(2,1)} = p^2\bar{p}\gamma$$

$$\hat{C}^{(4,0)} = -p^4 [3! (\langle N_b \rangle_c + \Delta + \frac{1}{2}\gamma) + \beta]$$

$$\hat{C}^{(3,1)} = -p^3\bar{p}\beta$$

$$\hat{C}^{(2,2)} = -p^2\bar{p}^2 (\beta - \gamma)$$

Notation:

$p(\bar{p})$ - probability that a (anti)baryon is inside the acceptance and measured as (anti)proton,

$\langle N_b \rangle (\langle \bar{N}_b \rangle)$ - mean (anti)baryon number w/o baryon conservation,

$\langle N_b \rangle_c (\langle \bar{N}_b \rangle_c)$ - mean (anti)baryon number with baryon conservation,

$$z = \sqrt{\langle N_b \rangle \langle \bar{N}_b \rangle}, z_c = \sqrt{\langle N_b \rangle_c \langle \bar{N}_b \rangle_c}$$

$$\langle N \rangle_c = \langle N_b \rangle_c + \langle \bar{N}_b \rangle_c,$$

$$\Delta = z_c^2 - z^2,$$

$$\gamma = z_c^2 + \Delta \langle N \rangle_c,$$

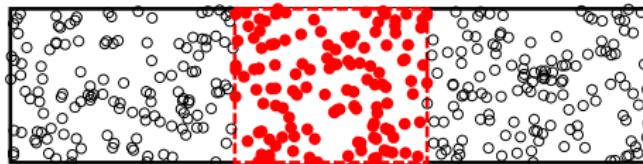
$$\beta = \gamma(\langle N \rangle_c + 2) + 2\Delta^2.$$

Net-baryon cumulants from baryon conservation and short-range correlations

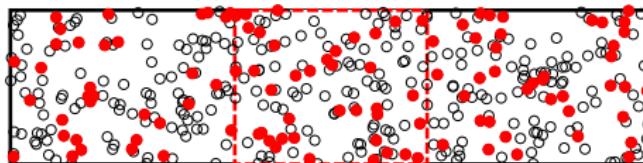
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Phys. Lett. B 811, 135868 (2020)

- Subensemble acceptance method (short-range correlations).
- Statistical mechanics, thermodynamic limit.
- They derived net-baryon cumulants with baryon number conservation and short-range correlations in terms of cumulants without baryon conservation.

(a) Subensemble acceptance



(b) Binomial acceptance



Problem formulation and method

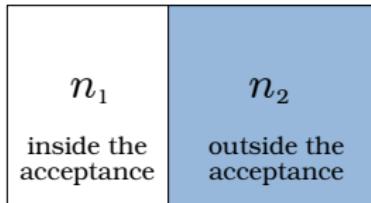
Goal:
calculate the baryon number cumulants
inside the acceptance
with global baryon number conservation
and short-range correlations

MB and A. Bzdak, Phys. Rev. C 106, no. 2, 024904 (2022)

MB and A. Bzdak, [arXiv:2210.15394 [hep-ph]]

Assumptions

- The system is divided into two subsystems (inside and outside the acceptance).



- Only baryons, no antibaryons
(applies to low energies where the critical point is expected).
- Probability distribution: $P_B(n_1, n_2) = A P_1(n_1) P_2(n_2) \underbrace{\delta_{n_1+n_2, B}}_{\text{B conservation}}$,

n_1 baryons in the first subsystem (inside the acceptance),
 n_2 baryons in the second one (outside the acceptance),
A - normalization const.

- P_1, P_2 include only short-range correlations: $\hat{C}_k^{(i)} = \langle n_i \rangle \alpha_k$, $i = 1, 2$,
 α_k - k-particle short-range correlation strength
- Inside the acceptance: $P_B(n_1) = \sum_{n_2} P_B(n_1, n_2)$.

Calculation

- The factorial cumulant generating function in the 1st subsystem with baryon number conservation:

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln \left[\sum_{n_1} P_B(n_1) z^{n_1} \right],$$

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln \left[\frac{A}{B!} \left. \frac{d^B}{dx^B} \exp \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(xz-1)^k \hat{C}_k^{(1)} + (x-1)^k \hat{C}_k^{(2)}}{k!} \right) \right|_{x=0} \right].$$

- The factorial cumulants in the acceptance can be calculated:

$$\hat{C}_k^{(1,B)} = \left. \frac{d^k}{dz^k} G_{(1,B)}(z) \right|_{z=1}.$$

- Cumulants are calculated from factorial cumulants.
- Details of calculations in our papers.

Results

Cumulants with baryon conservation and short-range correlations can be calculated from the cumulants without baryon conservation.

Cumulants as the power series in terms of B

$$\kappa_n^{(1,B)} \approx \underbrace{\kappa_n^{(1,B,\text{LO})}}_{\propto B^1} + \underbrace{\kappa_n^{(1,B,\text{NLO})}}_{\propto B^0} + \underbrace{\dots}_{O(B^{-1})}$$

thermodynamic limit

$$\kappa_1^{(1,B)} = fB = f\kappa_1^{(G)}$$

$$\kappa_2^{(1,B,\text{LO})} = \bar{f}f\kappa_2^{(G)}$$

$$\kappa_2^{(1,B,\text{NLO})} = \frac{1}{2}\bar{f}f \frac{(\kappa_3^{(G)})^2 - \kappa_2^{(G)}\kappa_4^{(G)}}{(\kappa_2^{(G)})^2}$$

$$\kappa_3^{(1,B,\text{LO})} = \bar{f}f(1-2f)\kappa_3^{(G)}$$

$$\kappa_3^{(1,B,\text{NLO})} = \frac{1}{2}f\bar{f}(1-2f) \frac{\kappa_3^{(G)}\kappa_4^{(G)} - \kappa_2^{(G)}\kappa_5^{(G)}}{(\kappa_2^{(G)})^2}$$

- LO reproduces net-baryon cumulants from

V. Vovchenko, O. Savchuk,

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V. Koch, PLB 811, 135868 (2020)

- NLO is new.

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$\kappa_n^{(G)}$ - short-range cumulants in the whole system without baryon conservation

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$$\kappa_4^{(1,B,\text{LO})} = f\bar{f} \left[\kappa_4^{(G)} - 3f\bar{f} \left(\kappa_4^{(G)} + (\kappa_3^{(G)})^2 / \kappa_2^{(G)} \right) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_4^{(1,B,\text{NLO})} &= \frac{1}{2} f\bar{f} \left\{ \frac{\kappa_3^{(G)} \kappa_5^{(G)} - \kappa_2^{(G)} \kappa_6^{(G)}}{(\kappa_2^{(G)})^2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 3f\bar{f} \left[\frac{2(\kappa_3^{(G)})^4 - 5\kappa_2^{(G)}(\kappa_3^{(G)})^2 \kappa_4^{(G)} + (\kappa_2^{(G)})^2 \kappa_3^{(G)} \kappa_5^{(G)}}{(\kappa_2^{(G)})^4} + \frac{(\kappa_4^{(G)})^2 + \kappa_2^{(G)} \kappa_6^{(G)}}{(\kappa_2^{(G)})^2} \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

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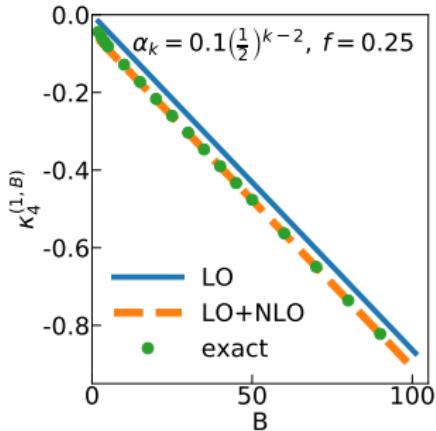
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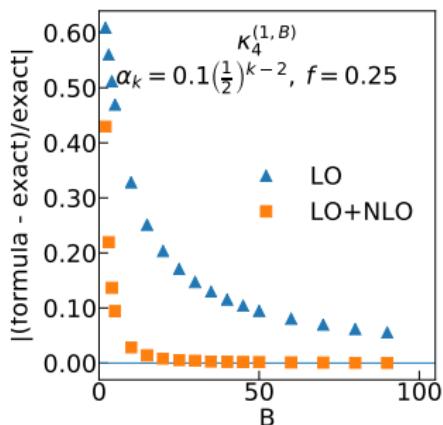
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Example



- exact - a straightforward differentiation of the factorial cumulant gen. func.,
- α_k - k -particle short-range correlation strength,
 $\alpha_k = 0.1 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k-2}, k = 2\dots 6, \alpha_1 = 1,$
- f - a fraction of particles in the acceptance.
- NLO improves the results.



Remark: α_k 's cannot be arbitrary

- α_k - k-particle short-range correlation strength.
- For any probability distribution, $0 \leq P(m) \leq 1$.

Multiplicity distribution can be written as

$$P(m) = \frac{1}{m!} \left. \frac{d^m}{dz^m} \left[\exp \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(z-1)^k}{k!} \hat{C}_k \right) \right] \right|_{z=0},$$

\hat{C}_k - kth factorial cumulant of P ,

$\hat{C}_k = \alpha_k \langle N \rangle$ for short-range correlations.

- The even central moments are ≥ 0 ,

e.g., variance $\sigma^2 = \langle n^2 \rangle - \langle n \rangle^2 \geq 0$

$$\hat{C}_2 = \left. \frac{d^2 G(z)}{dz^2} \right|_{z=1} = -\langle n \rangle^2 + \langle n(n-1) \rangle = \alpha_2 \langle n \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_2 \geq -1$$

Summary

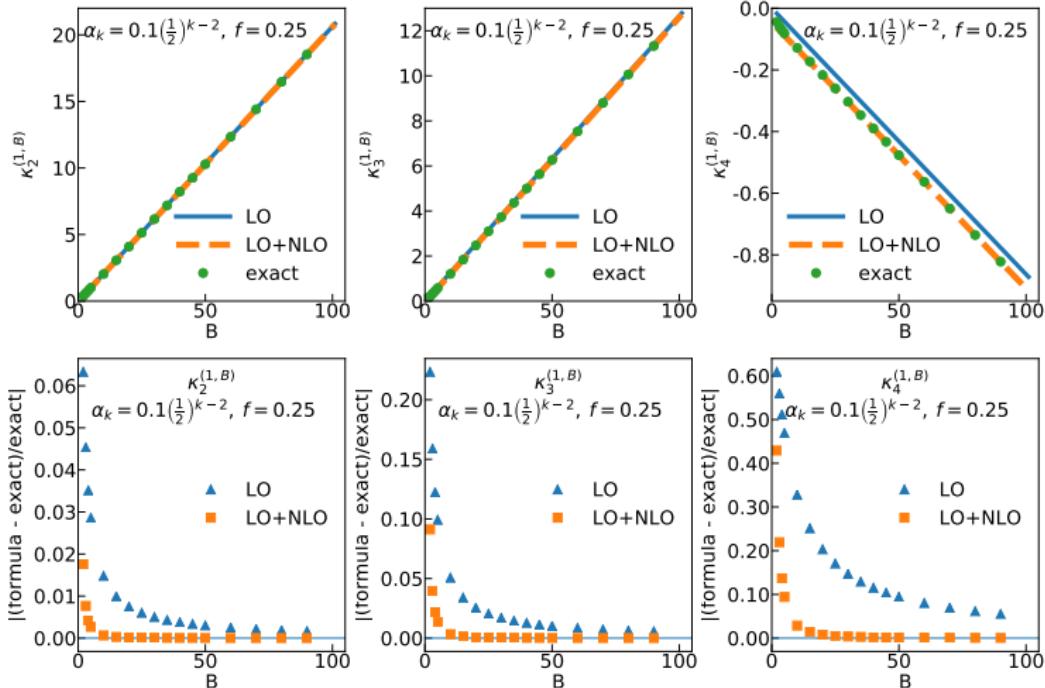
- The mathematical model for calculating cumulants from global baryon conservation and short-range correlations was presented.
- Cumulants with baryon conservation and short-range correlations can be calculated having the cumulants without baryon conservation.
- The resulting cumulants were shown (LO and NLO terms).
- NLO correction improves the results.
- Possible extension: take also antibaryons and long-range correlations into account.

Thank you

Backup

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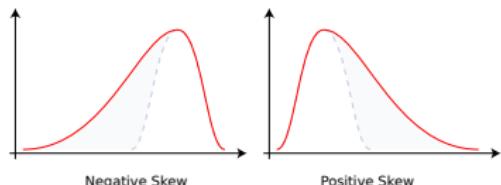
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Quantify fluctuations: cumulants

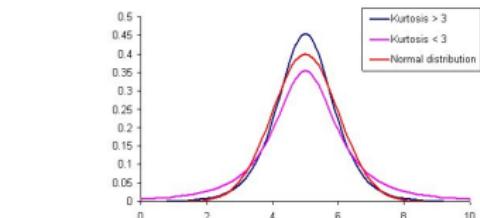
- Cumulant generating function for random variable n :

$$K(t) = \ln (\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n)e^{tn})$$

- Cumulants: $\kappa_i = \frac{d^i K}{dt^i} \Big|_{t=0}$
- $\kappa_1 = \langle n \rangle$ (mean)
- $\kappa_2 = \mu_2 = \sigma^2$ (variance)
- $\kappa_3 = \mu_3 = S\sigma^3$ (scaled skewness)
- $\kappa_4 = \mu_4 - 3\mu_2^2 = K\sigma^4$ (scaled kurtosis), $\mu_k = \langle (n - \langle n \rangle)^k \rangle$
- Cumulants are broadly studied in heavy ion collisions.



R. Hermans, en.wikipedia.org



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Quantify fluctuations: factorial cumulants

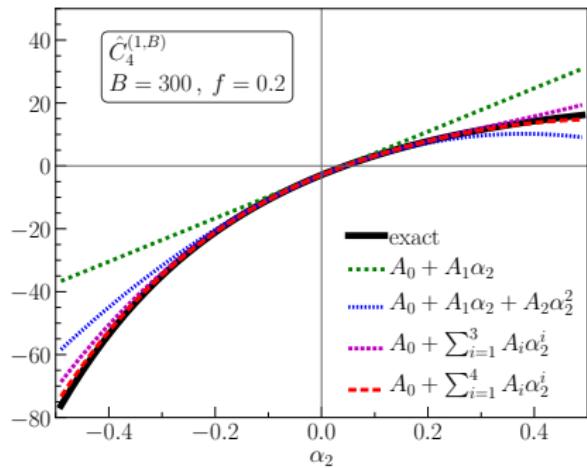
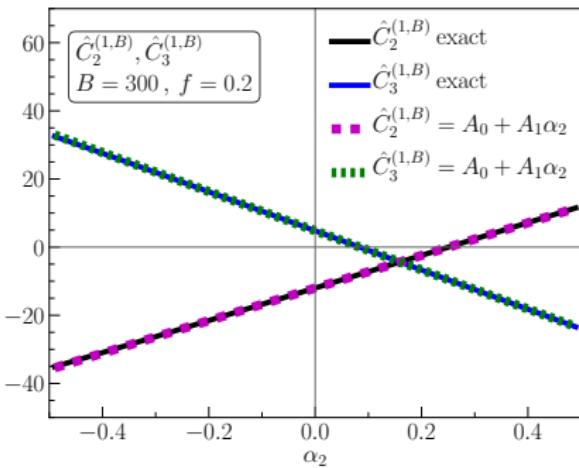
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- Factorial cumulants: $\hat{C}_k = \left. \frac{d^k G}{dz^k} \right|_{z=1}$
- $C_2(y_1, y_2) = \varrho_2(y_1, y_2) - \varrho(y_1)\varrho(y_2)$ - two-particle density correlation function
- $\hat{C}_2 = \int dy_1 dy_2 C_2(y_1, y_2)$
- No correlations: $\hat{C}_k = 0$ ($k > 1$)

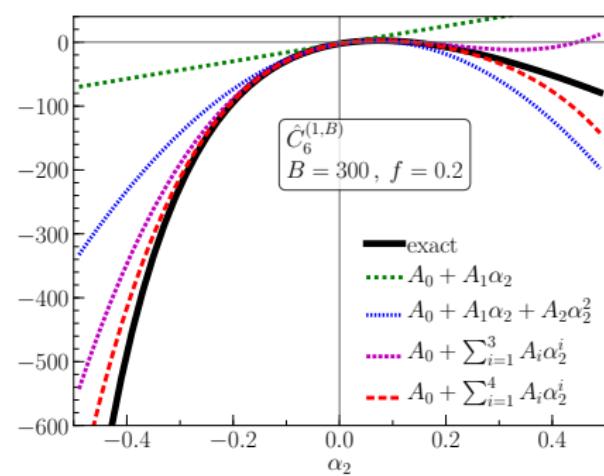
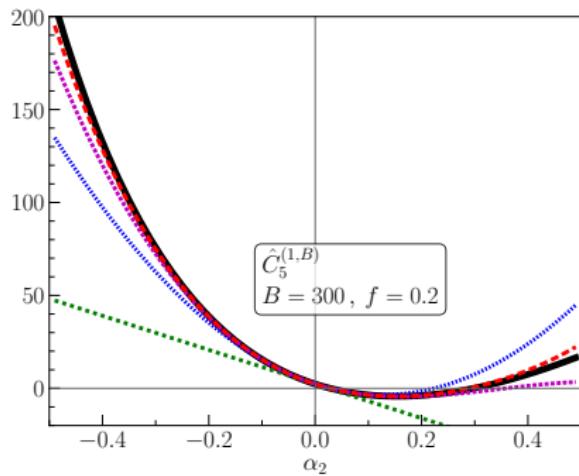
Example

- $B = 300, f = 0.2, \alpha_k = 0$ for $k > 2$
- $f = \langle n_1 \rangle / \langle N \rangle$ - fraction of particles in the 1st subsystem
- Factorial cumulants in the subsystem assuming global baryon conservation and only 2-particle short-range correlations ($\hat{C}_k^{(i)} = \langle n_i \rangle \alpha_k, i = 1, 2$ with $\alpha_k = 0$ for $k > 2$, always $\alpha_1 = 1$).
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Cumulants vs statistical mechanics

$$\frac{\partial^n (P/T^4)}{\partial (\mu_B/T)^n} = \frac{\kappa_n}{VT^3},$$

κ_n - grand canonical cumulant (without baryon number conservation)

μ_B - baryochemical potential

Cumulant with baryon number conservation - follows canonical ensemble.