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## Local multiplicity fluctuations in the charged particles produced in Xe–Xe collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.44$ TeV with ALICE

A two-dimensional intermittency analysis performed for the charged particles produced in  $(\eta, \varphi)$  phase space during Xe–Xe collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.44$  TeV recorded with the ALICE detector at LHC is presented. A well-known characteristic of the critical behaviour of the system undergoing phase transition is that it shows fluctuations of all scales. Local multiplicity fluctuations are analyzed using normalized factorial moments (NFM)  $F_q$  for  $q = 2, 3, 4$  and  $5$ . For the systems with dynamical fluctuations  $F_q$  shows scaling behaviour with increasing numbers of bins  $M$  whereas scaling is also characteristic of the systems with self-similar and fractal nature.  $F_q$  moments show scaling behaviour as the binning in the phase space region increases.

For the second-order phase transition in the Ginzburg-Landau formalism  $F_q$  for  $q > 2$  shows a linear dependence on the second-order normalized factorial moments ( $F_2$ ), termed as F-scaling. The scaling exponent  $\nu$ , which quantifies the fluctuations in the particle density distributions, was determined for various  $p_T$  intervals and bin widths in the soft- $p_T$  region. Observations and results from this study and comparison with Pb–Pb results at LHC energies will be discussed.

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