# Collectivity: Prospects and Future Directions

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### Heavy ion collisions



Three pillars of understanding: Properties, Dynamics, Initial condition

### Heavy ion collisions



Two snap-shots: Final state particles, Nuclear structures



Two snap-shots: Final state particles, Nuclear structures →Measure more observables or collide more systems

### A plethora of observables

• Single particle distribution Flow vector:  $oldsymbol{V}_n = v_n e^{\mathrm{i}n\Psi_n}$ 

$$\frac{d^2 N}{d\phi dp_{\rm T}} = N(p_T) \left[ 1 + 2\sum_n v_{\rm n}(p_T) \cos n(\phi - \Psi_n(p_T)) \right]$$
$$= N(p_T) \left[ \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} V_{\rm n}(p_T) e^{in\phi} \right]$$
Radial flow Anisotropic flow

Two-particle correlation function

$$\left\langle rac{d^2 N_1}{d \phi d p_{\mathrm{T}}} rac{d^2 N_2}{d \phi d p_{\mathrm{T}}} 
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angle \ n-n=0$$

Multi-particle correlation function

$$egin{aligned} &\langle [p_{\mathrm{T}}]^k rac{d^2 N_1}{d \phi d p_{\mathrm{T}}} \dots rac{d^2 N_m}{d \phi d p_{\mathrm{T}}} 
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angle &\Rightarrow ig\langle [p_{\mathrm{T}}]^k oldsymbol{V}_{n_1} oldsymbol{V}_{n_2} \dots oldsymbol{V}_{n_m} ig
angle \ &p([p_{\mathrm{T}}], oldsymbol{V}_2, oldsymbol{V}_3 \dots) = rac{1}{N_{\mathrm{evts}}} rac{\psi}{d[p_{\mathrm{T}}] d oldsymbol{V}_2 d oldsymbol{V}_3 \dots} \end{aligned}$$

EbyE fluctuations of initial volume, size and shape

E-by-E flow amplitude distribution p(vn)



Event-plane correlation  $p(\Psi_n, \Psi_m, \Psi_k)$ 



 $v_n$  amplitude correlation  $p(v_n, v_m)$ 





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 $\sqrt{s_{_{\rm NN}}}$  (GeV)

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Open Symbols ALICE Pb+Pb

#### From Weiyao Ke, Jetscape

### Uncertainty quantification

| Norm. Pb-Pb 2.76 TeV       | N[2.76 TeV]  | [10, 20]                    |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Norm. Au-Au 200 GeV        | N[0.2 TeV]   | [3, 10]                     |
| generalized mean           | p            | [-0.7, 0.7]                 |
| nucleon width              | w            | [0.5, 1.5] fm               |
| min. dist. btw. nucleons   | $d_{\min}^3$ | $[0, 1.7^3]  \mathrm{fm}^3$ |
| multiplicity fluctuation   | $\sigma_k$   | [0.3, 2.0]                  |
| free-streaming time scale  | $	au_R$      | [0.3, 2.0] fm/c             |
| free-streaming energy dep. | α            | [-0.3, 0.3]                 |
| particlization temperature | $T_{\rm sw}$ | [0.135, 0.165] GeV          |

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| temperature of $(\eta/s)$ kink  | $ T_{\eta} $          | [0.13, 0.3] GeV           |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| $(\eta/s)$ at kink              | $(\eta/s)_{\rm kink}$ | [0.01, 0.2]               |
| low temp. slope of $(\eta/s)$   | $a_{\rm low}$         | [-2, 1] GeV <sup>-1</sup> |
| high temp. slope of $(\eta/s)$  | $a_{\rm high}$        | [-1, 2] GeV <sup>-1</sup> |
| shear relaxation time factor    | $b_{\pi}$             | [2, 8]                    |
| maximum of $(\zeta/s)$          | $(\zeta/s)_{\rm max}$ | [0.01, 0.25]              |
| temperature of $(\zeta/s)$ peak | $T_{\zeta}$           | [0.12, 0.3] GeV           |
| width of $(\zeta/s)$ peak       | $w_{\zeta}$           | [0.025, 0.15] GeV         |
| asymmetry of $(\zeta/s)$ peak   | $\lambda_{\zeta}$     | [-0.8, 0.8]               |



- Extraction of QGP properties is limited by the initial condition
- At this moment, more observables do not necessarily improve the situation.

### Isolating the impact of initial condition



Initial condition & pre-equibrium

What is the nature of quantum fluctuations? How is the energy deposited? What are the DoFs? How does the system hydrodynamize/thermalize? timescales?

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$$au = 0^-_{\ \ au = 0^+} au = 0^{+-}$$

Constraints from small system scan



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Three experimental approaches:

- Explore nuclear structure
- Longitudinal correlation
- Small system scan

### 1) Constraints from nuclear structure





U deformation dominates the ultra-central collisions  $\rightarrow$  50%-70% modification on  $\langle v_2^2 \rangle$  and  $\langle (\delta p_T)^2 \rangle$ , 300% for  $\langle v_2^2 \delta p_T \rangle$ 

#### Image U shape via Isobar-like U+U vs Au+Au collisions 2401.06625, accepted by Nature $R_{\mathcal{O}} = \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{U+U} / \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{Au+Au}$ $\rightarrow$ Insensitive to final state parameters $R_{v_2^2} = \langle v_2^2 \rangle_U / \langle v_2^2 \rangle_{A_U}$ ${}_{2}^{2} = \langle (\delta p_{T})^{2} \rangle_{U} / \langle (\delta p_{T})^{2} \rangle_{AU}$ $0.2 < p_{_{T}} < 3 \text{ GeV/c}$ <sup>2</sup>δρ\_ STAR data hydro $\beta_{21} = 0.28$ $\langle v_2^2 \delta \hat{p}_T \rangle_{UU} \rangle$ hydro $\beta_{2U} = 0.25$ $\beta_{2,U} = 0.28$ $\gamma_{\rm U} = 0$ $\mathsf{R}_{(\delta \mathsf{p}_{\mathsf{T}})^2}$ $\gamma = 0$ $-\gamma = 10^{\circ}$ $\gamma = 15^{\circ}$ γ = 20 20 20 20 40 0 40 Centrality [%] Centrality [%] Centrality [%]

Reasonable agreement with IPGIasma+Music+UrQMD hydro model 2005.14682

Constraints from  $\langle \delta p_T^2 \rangle$  and v<sub>2</sub>-p<sub>T</sub>:  $\beta_{2U} = 0.297 \pm 0.015$   $\gamma_U = 8.5^\circ \pm 4.8^\circ$ 

### Image Xe shape via Xe+Xe vs Pb+Pb collisions

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### Isobar <sup>96</sup>Ru+<sup>96</sup>Ru and <sup>96</sup>Zr+<sup>96</sup>Zr collisions at RHIC 200 GeV

Insensitive to parameters in the final state

$$R_{\mathcal{O}} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Ru}}}{\mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Zr}}}$$

Structure influences everywhere

Nuclear structure is inherently part of Heavy ion problem

Talk by Chunjian Zhang Wednesday

One-body  $p(N_{\rm ch})$ two-body  $\langle v_2^2 \rangle$ . three-body  $\langle V_2^2 V_4^* \rangle$ Ratio Ratic Ratic Ru/Zr Ru/Zr STAR Ru/Zr STAR Preliminary AR Preliminan  $= \langle V_a^2 V_A^* \rangle$ 13 - p(N<sub>track</sub>) ► (v<sup>4</sup>) 1 0 1.05 0.95 <sup>300</sup> N<sub>track</sub>(ηl<0. 100 N<sub>track</sub>(ηl<0.5) N<sub>track</sub>(lηl<0.5)  $(\delta p_T)^2$  $\langle v_3^2 \delta p_T 
angle$  $\langle v_2^2 \delta p_T \rangle$ DT  $(\delta p_T)$ Ratio\_ Ratio Ratic Ru/Zr Ru/Zr Ru/Zr STAR Preliminary STAR Preliminar •  $\langle (\delta p_{2})^{2} \rangle / \langle p_{2} \rangle^{2}$ •  $\langle v^2 \delta p \rangle$ \_\_\_(p) •  $\langle (\delta p_{\downarrow})^3 \rangle / \langle p_{\downarrow} \rangle^3$ 1.004  $\langle v^2 \delta p \rangle$ 1.002 300 100 200 300 100 200 100 200 300 N<sub>track</sub>(μl<0.5) 13  $N_{track}(h|<0.5)$  $N_{track}(h|<0.5)$ 

Deviation from one reflects differences in nuclear structure

### Isobar ratio constraints on the initial condition



c<sub>n</sub> relates nuclear structure and initial condition



### 2) Longitudinal structure

- Sensitive to stopping and entropy production mechanism
- Varying the timescales  $\, au \sim e^{-\Delta\eta}$
- Short-range structure sensitive to hydrodynamization (also non-flow)



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Long-range sees geometry, short-range sees microscopic origin of collectivity Traditional observables are insufficient, e.g.  $r_{2}(\eta)_{\eta_{ref}} = \frac{\langle V_{2}(-\eta)V_{2}^{*}(\eta_{ref}) \rangle}{\langle V_{2}(\eta)V_{2}^{*}(\eta_{ref}) \rangle} \equiv \frac{R(-\eta, \eta_{ref})}{R(\eta, \eta_{ref})}$ Decorrelation is non-linear!! We want:  $R(\eta_{1}, \eta_{2}) = \frac{\langle V_{2}(\eta_{1})V_{2}^{*}(\eta_{2}) \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle V_{2}(\eta_{1})V_{2}^{*}(\eta_{1}) \rangle \langle V_{2}(\eta_{2})V_{2}^{*}(\eta_{2}) \rangle}}$ 

How to deal with non-flow?

### Deformation-assisted study of longitudinal structure



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### Sources of longitudinal fluctuations

#### Expectation from string picture



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#### Many sources with different structures

- Geometry from  $\epsilon_F$  and  $\epsilon_B$ : long-range
- Local hot spots: short- to medium- range
- Initial momentum anisotropy: short-range?
- Non-flow: short-range

### Sources of longitudinal fluctuations



Three ways of calculating elliptic flow:

2PC method:  $V_{2\Delta}(\eta_1,\eta_2) = \langle V_2(\eta_1)V_2^*(\eta_2) \rangle$ 

Projection flow to eccentricities:

$$v_{2,\varepsilon}(\eta) \equiv \frac{\langle V_2(\eta)\mathcal{E}_2^* \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle \mathcal{E}_2 \mathcal{E}_2^* \rangle}} , \ v_{2,\varepsilon_{\text{quark}}}(\eta) \equiv \frac{\langle V_2(\eta)\mathcal{E}_{2,\text{quark}}^* \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle \mathcal{E}_{2,\text{quark}} \mathcal{E}_{2,\text{quark}}^* \rangle}}$$

Long-range only Long- & short-range

- 1. Convolute to get contributions to 2PC  $V_{2\Delta,\varepsilon}(\Delta\eta) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-2}^{2} v_{2,\varepsilon}(\eta_1) v_{2,\varepsilon}(\eta_2) \delta(\eta_1 - \eta_2) d\eta_1 d\eta_2$
- 2. Decomposition:

 $V_{2\Delta} = long + medium + non-flow$ 

### Observables for long-range collectivity

- n<sup>th</sup>-order long-range correlations are azimuthal flow harmonics v<sub>n</sub>.
  - Most studies of collectivity use this, in particular small system.
- 0<sup>th</sup>-order long-range correlation is energy/multiplicity
  - Such correlation comes from boost invariance of initial condition. Does not require final state effects
- 1<sup>st</sup>-order long-range correlation is  $< p_T >$  or radial flow.



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### 3) Small system scan

### Why small systems

• Need to consider full energy-momentum tensor  $T_{\mu\nu}(\tau = 0)$  for the initial condition



• Interplay of different sources holds key to hydrodynamization and its timescales



### **Disentangle sources of collectivities**

### Identifying the geometry response via geometry scan







- Non-flow
- Geometry response Nucleon vs subnucleon Local hotspots Hydro vs transport
- Initial momentum anisotropy

### Quantify the fraction of each component





### Small system scan

#### Examine QGP's short-range structures



non-flow, geometry response, local hotspot Decorrelation should be different from large systems

#### Compare symmetric vs asymmetric systems e.g. d+Au vs O+O

constrain the role of subnucleon fluctuations

Strategic scan from small to medium systems.

# Design isobar collisions with drastically different geometry



### **Future**

Large acceptance detector and flexible collision species



## Summary

Precision understanding of QGP properties, its initial condition, and dynamics. Requires all possible experimental handles.

- Exploration of the full 3D structure
   →ALICE 3, ATLAS/CMS/LHCb
- Design collision species with different geometries: shape, size, and skins
- Scan from small to medium species.
  - $\rightarrow$  Enable by LHC and SMOG2

| A  | isobars                              | A   | isobars    | A   | isobars | A   | isobars    | A   | isobars | A   | isobars    |
|----|--------------------------------------|-----|------------|-----|---------|-----|------------|-----|---------|-----|------------|
| 36 | Ar, S                                | 80  | Se, Kr     | 106 | Pd, Cd  | 124 | Sn, Te, Xe | 148 | Nd, Sm  | 174 | Yb, Hf     |
| 40 | Ca, Ar                               | 84  | Kr, Sr, Mo | 108 | Pd, Cd  | 126 | Te, Xe     | 150 | Nd, Sm  | 176 | Yb, Lu, Hf |
| 46 | Ca, Ti                               | 86  | Kr, Sr     | 110 | Pd, Cd  | 128 | Te, Xe     | 152 | Sm, Gd  | 180 | Hf, W      |
| 48 | Ca, Ti                               | 87  | Rb, Sr     | 112 | Cd, Sn  | 130 | Te, Xe, Ba | 154 | Sm, Gd  | 184 | W, Os      |
| 50 | $\mathrm{Ti},\mathrm{V},\mathrm{Cr}$ | 92  | Zr, Nb, Mo | 113 | Cd, In  | 132 | Xe, Ba     | 156 | Gd,Dy   | 186 | W, Os      |
| 54 | Cr, Fe                               | 94  | Zr, Mo     | 114 | Cd, Sn  | 134 | Xe, Ba     | 158 | Gd,Dy   | 187 | Re, Os     |
| 64 | Ni, Zn                               | 96  | Zr, Mo, Ru | 115 | In, Sn  | 136 | Xe, Ba, Ce | 160 | Gd,Dy   | 190 | Os, Pt     |
| 70 | Zn, Ge                               | 98  | Mo, Ru     | 116 | Cd, Sn  | 138 | Ba, La, Ce | 162 | Dy,Er   | 192 | Os, Pt     |
| 74 | Ge, Se                               | 100 | Mo, Ru     | 120 | Sn, Te  | 142 | Ce, Nd     | 164 | Dy,Er   | 196 | Pt, Hg     |
| 76 | Ge, Se                               | 102 | Ru, Pd     | 122 | Sn, Te  | 144 | Nd, Sm     | 168 | Er,Yb   | 198 | Pt, Hg     |
| 78 | Se, Kr                               | 104 | Ru, Pd     | 123 | Sb, Te  | 146 | Nd, Sm     | 170 | Er,Yb   | 204 | Hg, Pb     |

### Nuclear structure via v<sub>2</sub>-ratio and v<sub>3</sub>-ratio



- $\beta_{2Ru} \sim 0.16$  increase  $v_2$ , no influence on  $v_3$  ratio
- $\Delta a_0 = -0.06$  fm increase v<sub>2</sub> mid-central,
- Radius  $\Delta R_0 = 0.07$  fm slightly affects  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  ratio.



Simultaneously constrain four structure parameters



### Strategy for nuclear shape imaging



Compare two systems of similar size but different structure

$$R_{\mathcal{O}} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Ru}}}{\mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Zr}}} \approx 1 + c_1 \Delta \beta_2^2 + c_2 \Delta \beta_3^2 + c_3 \Delta R_0 + c_4 \Delta a \quad \text{arXiv: 2111.15559}$$

Deviation from unity depends only on their structure differences  $c_1$ - $c_4$  are function of centrality