Systematic measurements of HBT radii at RHIC

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Outline

- Physics motivation and introduction of HBT femotoscopy
- Experimental results (HBT radii)
 - as functions of
 - collision centrality (N_{part}), multiplicity (N_{ch})
 - reaction plane ($\Delta \phi$), eccentricity (ϵ)
 - momentum (m_T)
 - PID (pion vs kaon)
- Comparison with theoretical models
 Summary

Physics motivation



3D HBT radii



HBT radii VS collision centrality



- HBT radii show linear increase as the cube-root of the number of participants (N_{part}^{1/3})

 N_{part}^{1/3} ~ Geometrical radius of the initial volume.
- The linearity is valid from p+p to central Au+Au collisions.
- Spherically symmetric source
 R_{side} ~ R_{out} ~ R_{long}.
- R_{out}/R_{side} ~ 1 for the entire
 N_{part}^{1/3} region.
 Short emission duration

Multiplicity scaling



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Multiplicity scaling VS $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$



- Multiplicity scaling is valid for R_{side} and R_{long} up to LHC energy, but not R_{out}.
 - $R_{out}(AGS) > R_{out}(RHIC) > R_{out}(LHC)$
- Multiplicity dependence of HBT radii in p+p collisions DO NOT scale with those for heavy-ion collisions.
 - Different mechanism for the hadronic freeze-out for A+A and p+p?
 - Contribution from jet?

Azimuthal HBT radii



What we measure: **eccentricity at freeze-out**, which depends initial eccentricity, pressure anisotropy, life time etc...

Freeze-out eccentricity



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Eccentricity VS collision energy



- Monotonic decrease of freeze-out eccentricity is reasonably described by UrQMD model
- CERES result which raised hope for finding of critical point seems to be excluded by STAR's new result with energy scan

Freeze-out eccentricity of Kaon



- > Kaon radii indictates $\varepsilon_{\text{final}} \sim \varepsilon_{\text{initial}}$
 - Different freeze-out mechanism between pion and kaon, e.g faster freeze-out for kaon
 - Different (higher) m_T region than pion, and looking at different correlation region?

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Dynamical HBT radii



For collectively expanding source HBT size is not the geometrical size (R_{geom}) but the "length of homogeneity" size (x-p correlation)

Static source: $R_{geom} = R_{HBT}$ Expanding source: $R_{geom} > R_{HBT}$

HBT size decreases as the transverse mass momentum (m_T) or collective flow of source (v) increases.

 $R_{side}^2 = \frac{R_{geom}^2}{1 + (m_T/T_o)v^2}$

p+p

m_T dependence of HBT radii

- > All HBT radii decrease as a function of momentum (m_T) .
- Pion and Kaon radii are well scaled with m_T.
 - A clear evidence of the hadronic collective flow

$$R_{side}^{2} = \frac{R_{geom}^{2}}{1 + (m_{T}/T_{0})v^{2}}$$
(T₀~120MeV β_{f} ~0.7 at Au+Au 200GeV)

$$R_{geom} \sim 7.1 \ fm$$
(Au RMS = 3.07 fm)





- ≻ HBT radii for different collision system/energy show a very similar m_T dependence.
- $> Drop of HBT-\lambda at lower m_T \rightarrow Less chaotic source at low m_T?$

m_T dependence VS N_{part} & vs_{NN}



 Ratios of HBT radii between different N_{part} and collision energy are mostly flat as a function of m_T
 No difference for the degree of m

 No difference for the degree of m_T dependence
 between 64GeV–
 200GeV for Au+Au and Cu+Cu data.

m_T dependence (small systems)

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- m_T dependence of HBT radii can be observed for small system (p+p, and e+e too!)
 - Bulk collective flow even in p+p, e+e collisions?
 - Final state hadronic rescattering effect?
- Need more detailed study using imaging analysis...

What is HBT- λ drop at low m_T ?



> In hot medium η ' mass could be reduced to quark model mass due to UA(1) symmetry restoration mass, resulting in enhancement of mass of η ' production (decrease of HBT- λ) at low m_T.

RHIC HBT puzzle



Before recently most of the hydro-models have failed to reproduce experimental HBT radii at the same time as other observables (e.g spectra, flows).

Resolving HBT puzzle



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 1st order phase transition, no prethermal flow, no viscosity
 Include pre-thermal acceleration
 Stiffer equation of state
 Adding viscosity

- O Include all features
- One of the recent hydrodynamics calculations which successfully reproduce HBT R(m_T) at the same time as flow/spectra results.
- All of the physics features describing RHIC A+A collisions push R_{out}/R_{side} toward ~1.

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Summary

- HBT radii have been extensively and systematically measured for RHIC collision systems/energies.
 - Result values are consistent between RHIC experiments
- > HBT radii clearly scale with multiplicity but,
 - Rout are not scaled between AGS, RHIC and LHC energy regions.
 - Different scaling between A+A and p+p
- No sign for the critical point observed by HBT so far...
- More interesting HBT analyses (e.g. HBT radii vs. v₃, 3D imaging) are on-going.