Latest QCD Results on Pb-Pb Collisions from CMS

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Outline

- CERN and CMS
- Measurements of Fourier coefficients
- Two-particle azimuthal correlations as a tool to study both jets and azimuthal anisotropy
- Comparison of the obtained results
- Conclusions
Schematic view of the CMS detector

A multipurpose detector to search for:

- Higgs particle
- supersymmetry
- dark matter
- extra dimensions

Although designed to study pp collisions, CMS is well suited to study heavy ion physics too.
Principles of particle detection within different CMS detector layers

A slice through CMS detector in a plane perpendicular to the beam axis
The elliptic flow is one of, but most famous, forms in which collective movements appear.

- Pressure gradient $\nabla p_x > \nabla p_y$ converts spatial anisotropy $\rightarrow$ momentum anisotropy $\rightarrow$ particle yield anisotropy
- Experimentally it is observed as an azimuthally anisotropic distribution of particles measured with respect to the reaction plane (event plane)
- Event plane is constructed in each event from emitted particles themselves
Fourier decomposition of azimuthal angle particle distribution

- Beside the event plane, there are cumulant and Lee-Yang Zero method
- The 2-particle azimuthal correlation method is reused in order to get both, azimuthal anisotropy and jet features, simultaneously
The $v_2 \text{ vs } p_T$ for 12 centralities; 4 methods compared

[Graph showing $v_2$ vs $p_T$ for different centrality classes and methods: $v_2(EP)$, $v_2(2)$, $v_2(4)$, $v_2(LYZ)$, with CMS PbPb $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.76\text{ TeV}$ and $|\eta|<0.8$.]

[Graph legend includes symbols for different methods: $v_2(EP)$ (red circles), $v_2(2)$ (open orange circles), $v_2(4)$ (crosses), $v_2(LYZ)$ (green stars).]

[Centralities: 0-5%, 5-10%, 10-15%, 15-20%, 20-25%, 25-30%, 30-35%, 35-40%, 40-50%, 50-60%, 60-70%, 70-80%.]

[Graph axes: $v_2$ on the y-axis and $p_T$ (GeV/c) on the x-axis for each centrality class.]
The $v_2$ vs centrality; 4 methods compared

- $v_2\{2\}$ cumulants is equivalent to 2-particle azimuthal correlations. $v_2\{4\}$ cumulant should remove any n-particle correlation where n=2 or 3.
- In principle, LYZ method should remove any n-particle correlation, but it works only if number of flow particles dominates.
- The $v_2$ strength is ordered from the highest, obtained with 2-nd order cumulants, up to the lowest obtained with LYZ method.
- The differences in the methods (10% up for $v_2\{2\}$ and 10% down for $v_2\{4\}$) are understood in terms of their sensitivity to initial state eccentricity fluctuations. Larger effect is seen in most central and most peripheral collisions that could be due to nonflow correlations.
The $v_2$ compared to the lower RHIC energy

While the relative difference in the $v_2{^2}$ between the LHC and the RHIC energy is about 10-15%, for the $v_2{^4}$ it is smaller than 5% despite the large increase in the center-of-mass energy.
The $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ dependence of the integrated $v_2$

- The $v_2$ dependence is spanned over huge range of center-of-mass energy starting from AGS energy, through SPS and RHIC energies up to 2.76TeV LHC energy.

- Approximately, the $v_2$ increase logarithmically with $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$.

- CMS and ALICE results on $v_2$ are in a rather good agreement.

- The comparison is only approximate.
The event plane (EP) is constructed from energy deposited in HF calorimeters.

Fourier flattening is used to correct for non-uniformities of the EP distribution.

The strong CMS magnet allowed to measure accurately $v_2$ up to 60 GeV/c.

The $p_T$ and centrality dependence show an expected behavior.
CMS elliptic anisotropy vs $p_T$ and centrality in PbPb@2.76 TeV another view

- $v_2$ integrated over given $p_T$ intervals and plotted vs centrality represented via $N_{part}$ calculated using Glauber model
- Again we see expected behavior
Jet features (number of particles associated to a jet and its width) could be obtained statistically by analyzing the distribution of the azimuthal angle difference between the trigger and associated particles.

- In heavy-ion collisions, jets could emerge in fragmentation of colliding partons
- Correlating in $\Delta \phi$ the leading (trigger) hadron within certain $p_T$ range with associated hadrons with lower $p_T$ one can get jet signal in a form of di-hadron correlation function
- Within the same signal, azimuthal anisotropy is also present as a cosine-like contribution

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Methodology

\[ C(\Delta \phi) = \frac{N^{\text{same}}(\Delta \phi)}{N^{\text{mixed}}(\Delta \phi)} \cdot \text{Norm.Fact.} \]

Jet pair yield

\[ C(\Delta \phi) = P_0 + J_1(\Delta \phi) + J_2(\Delta \phi) \]

\[ C(\Delta \phi) = P_0(1 + 2v_2^a v_2^i \cos(2\Delta \phi)) + J_1(\Delta \phi) + J_2(\Delta \phi) \]

where \( J_1(\Delta \phi) = \frac{P_1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_1} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta \phi^2}{2\sigma_1^2}\right) \) and \( J_2(\Delta \phi) = \frac{P_2}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_2} \exp\left(-\frac{(\Delta \phi - \pi)^2}{2\sigma_2^2}\right) \)

Here, the subscript 1 (2) refers to the near (away) jet

In a more realistic case, Fourier harmonics of higher orders are included

Beside these two, there are other sources of the correlations as femtososcopic correlations, resonances, momentum conservation, photon conversion …
Examples of 2-dimensional dihadron correlations

Besides central $PbPb$ collisions, the ridge is seen in high-multiplicity $pPb$ and even in high-multiplicity $pp$ collisions too.

The structure of 2-dim correlation in $pp$ is very similar to the one in $pPb$ collisions.
2-dimensional dihadron correlations in 12 centrality bins

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PbPb $\sqrt{s_{\text{NN}}} = 2.76$ TeV

$3.0 < p_{T}^{\text{trig}} < 3.5$ GeV/c

$1.0 < p_{T}^{\text{assoc}} < 1.5$ GeV/c
Projection of 2-dim correlations onto $\Delta \phi$
for $0 < |\Delta \eta| < 1$ and $2 < |\Delta \eta| < 4$

Cutting on $|\Delta \eta|$, jet contribution could be largely suppressed in the long-range region of $2 < |\Delta \eta| < 4$ with respect to the short-range one $0 < |\Delta \eta| < 1$
The difference between the short-range and long-range per-trigger-particle associated yields for $0 < \Delta \eta < 1$ and $2 < \Delta \eta < 4$

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Away side is rather flat and close to 0. $pp$ results are shown as reference and they are similar to very peripheral $PbPb$ data.
The integrated associated yields for near and away side in $PbPb$ at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76\,\text{TeV}$

The gray bands represent systematic uncertainties
Near side yield increases going from very peripheral to most central collisions
In difference of RHIC, as $p_T$ increases, the centrality dependence becomes less pronounced
The yield in $PbPb$ match the one from $pp$ in most peripheral collisions
The away side yield decreases with centrality, becoming negative for rather central collisions!?
Extracted Fourier harmonics from the dihadron correlation \(PbPb\) data for \(2<|\Delta \eta|<4\)

- Expected ordering of the \(v_n\) magnitudes which decreases going from \(n=2\) to \(n=5\)
- A proper shape of the obtained \(p_T\) dependence
- A proper centrality dependence
- Due to the statistical limitations in very peripheral events, the dependences are truncated
- Rather similar values are found using the standard methods
The centrality dependence of the extracted Fourier harmonics

- The $v_n$ values are integrated over the given $p_T^{\text{trig}}$ intervals and presented vs centrality expressed via $N_{\text{part}}$
- Again, proper ordering of the $v_n$, transverse momentum and centrality is present
Conclusions

- The measurements of the Fourier coefficients cover a broad $p_T$, $\eta$ and centrality range
- Four different methods have been employed to study $n$ vs centrality and transverse momentum. They have different sensitivity to the non-flow correlations and initial geometrical fluctuations
- The results are compared mutually and to the results from the lower energies
- Two-particle azimuthal correlations are used as a tool to study both jets and azimuthal anisotropy
- The obtained results are shown vs centrality and transverse momentum
- Two distinct regions in $|\Delta\eta|$ are analyzed in order to suppress jet (anisotropy) contribution
- The near-side yield increases going from peripheral to central $PbPb$ collisions, while the away-side yield decreases
- They match the extracted yield in $pp$ for most peripheral data
- The corresponding Fourier decomposition was performed as a function of both: centrality and $p_T$. Obtained harmonics show a typical behavior
Backup
Extraction of Fourier harmonics from the dihadron correlation \( PbPb \) data

Fourier decomposition:

\[
\frac{1}{N_{\text{trig}}} \frac{dN_{\text{pair}}}{d\Delta \phi} = \frac{N_{\text{assoc}}}{2\pi} \left\{ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{N_{\text{max}}} 2V_n \cos(n\Delta \phi) \right\}
\]

Factorisation:

\[
V_n(\rho_T, p_T^{assoc}) = v_n(\rho_T^{\text{trig}}) \cdot v_n(\rho_T^{assoc})
\]

Fourier harmonics:

\[
v_n(\rho_T^{\text{trig}}) = \frac{V_n(\rho_T^{\text{trig}}, \rho_T^{\text{low}})}{v_n(\rho_T^{\text{low}})}
\]

No evidence for factorisation in short-range region due to jet-like correlation.

The factorisation is rather well satisfied for semicentral collisions in the long-range region.

The factorisation is similar or even better for higher orders.