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Δη dependence of net-charge fluctuations in Au+Au collisions from the Beam Energy Scan at the STAR experiment

In heavy-ion collision experiments, the study of event-by-event fluctuations provides a powerful tool to characterize and understand the thermodynamic

properties of the hot and dense QCD matter.

The fluctuations of conserved quantities in a finite phase space rapidity window ($\Delta \eta$), like the net-charge, are predicted to be one of the most sensitive signals of the QGP formation and phase transition [1].

D-measure which is defined by second order cumulant per unit entropy was obtained as a function of $\Delta\eta$ in LHC-ALICE experiment at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.76$ TeV Pb+Pb collisions, and it is observed to decrease with $\Delta\eta$ [2]. D-measure is considered to become 3-4 in an equilibrated hadronic medium and 1-1.5 in an equilibrated QGP medium [3]. Thus the ALICE results don't conflict with the theoretical prediction.

 $\Delta\eta$ dependence of the higher order cumulant ratios are also important and predicted to decrease as the $\Delta\eta$ become larger [4].

In this study, D-measure and 1st to 4th order cumulant ratios are calculated in Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 7.7, 11.5, 14.5, 19.6, 27, 39, 62.4$, and 200 GeV during Beam Energy Scan in 2010, 2011 and 2014.

We will report $\Delta \eta$, centrality and energy dependence of the net-charge fluctuation and compare STAR Beam Energy Scan results to ALICE results ($\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =2.76TeV).

Then, we will discuss an energy dependence of the fluctuation as a function of $\Delta \eta$ and possible information from the QGP phase transition.

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