Measurements of multi-particle correlations and collective flow with the ATLAS detector

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Correlation measurements in ATLAS experiment

- Detailed measurements of correlations in the Pb-Pb system
- Measurement to answer fundamental question of correlations origin in small system
- In this talk only highlights from recent Pb-Pb results and new results for small systems
- All results can be found in: <u>https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/HeavyIonsPublicResults</u>

Flow harmonics at Pb-Pb $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV

 Measurement of the v_n in Pb-Pb at √s_{NN} =5.02 TeV allowed to reach high p_T of 25 GeV, study very central collisions and measure harmonics up to n=7 [ATLAS-CONF-2016-105]



- Similar p_T dep. in all harmonics up to 10 GeV,
 - Above only v_2 {SP} is non-0 (slow fall), rise in 2PC measurement
- Weak η dependence
- The SP and EP method differ for v_2 only (~3%),
- The v_n at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =2.76 and 5.02 TeV energies are similar

Pb-Pb vn decorrelation

- Majority of flow studies assume boost invariance in longitudinal direction
- The role/importance of the η dependent fluctuations
- ATLAS measured new observables "correlation between v_n in bins of η " in Pb-Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ = 2.76 and 5.02 TeV [ATLAS-CONF-2017-003]
- r_{n|n;k} expected 1 if longitudinal flow fluctuations not present, k=1,2,3
- $R_{n,n|n,n}$ sensitive to the event-plane twist



$$R_{n,n|n,n}(\eta) = \frac{\langle \boldsymbol{q}_n(\cdot) \rangle}{\langle \boldsymbol{q}_n(\cdot) \rangle}$$

$$= \frac{\langle \boldsymbol{q}_n(-\eta_{\text{ref}})\boldsymbol{q}_n(-\eta)\boldsymbol{q}_n^*(\eta)\boldsymbol{q}_n^*(\eta_{\text{ref}})\rangle}{\langle \boldsymbol{q}_n(-\eta_{\text{ref}})\boldsymbol{q}_n^*(-\eta)\boldsymbol{q}_n^*(\eta)\boldsymbol{q}_n^*(\eta_{\text{ref}})\rangle}$$

CMS [Phys. Rev. C 92 (2015) 034911]

 $r_{n|n;k}(\eta) = \frac{\langle \boldsymbol{q}_n^k(-\eta)\boldsymbol{q}_n^{*k}(\eta_{\text{ref}}) \rangle}{\langle \boldsymbol{q}_n^k(\eta)\boldsymbol{q}_n^{*k}(\eta_{\text{ref}}) \rangle}$

Both variables robust against detector effects (ratios),

Observed no dependence on η_{ref} reference

Pb-Pb vn decorrelation



- Factorisation of two particle v_{nn} into single particle v_n broken as function of η
- Effects slightly stronger for $\sqrt{s_{NN}}=2.76$ TeV
- Centrality dependence for $r_{2|2;1}$ unlike higher n
- Event plane twist effect comparable to magnitude change
- Higher order indicate: v₂ v₃ long. fluct.
 independent, v₄ « c v₂², v₅ « v₂v₃
- $r_{2|2;k} \neq r_{2|2;1}^{k}$

< The $v_2(\eta)$ decolerrates with centrality while $v_3(\eta)$ - and higher does not



Event plane twist has sizeable contribution - the v₂ decorrelation changing with centrality not caused by twist of event-plane.

Small systems measurements

- The observation of the ridge structure in 2PC in p-p opened discussion on the small systems:
 - Initial stage effect CGS: PRD 87 (2013) 094034 or Collectivity in the evolution (formation of QGP): Phys. Rev. C 88, 014903 (2013)
- Robust method required for long-range correlation measurements in small systems
 - 2PC method require elaborate non-flow subtraction [arXiv:1609.0621
 - Standard multiparticle cumulants suggest: maybe no collectivity in pp (measurement depends on arbitrary choice of reference particles) [Eur. Phys. J. C 77 (2017) 428]
- "Orthogonal" measurement: azimuthal HBT analysis



Standard and sub-event cumulant methods



By correlating particles from rapidity separated sub-events the self-correlation (mostly di-jets) is mostly suppressed

arXiv: 1701:03830

C₂{4} from sub-event cumulants



Negative $C_2{4}$ indicates collectivity

Standard cumulant meth. indicates no v_2 {4} unless for very specific reference particles choice and event multiplicity.

Signs of improvement in 2 sub-event cumulant. Weakly dependent on the choice of reference particles.

0.5<p_<5 GeV

200

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300

2-subevent

3-subevent

 $\langle N_{ch} \rangle$

The 3 sub-event cumulant: Consistently below 0. Independent on the choice of reference particles. Negative $C_2{4}$ at low mult.



All methods consistent in p-Pb. Tests on MC indicate suppression of the nonflow $v_2=0$.



The v₂{4} obtained in p-p (wide multiplicity range) and p-Pb. Nearly independent of ev. multiplicity in three systems, very little $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ dep. in p-p

The v₂ with reduced non-flow contributions lower than measured previously

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The v_3 consistent with 0
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v₂{4}/v₂{2} estimate number of sources (model dependent: [Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 082301 (2014)])

Same multiplicity = same number of sources irrespectively of the collision system!

Consistent with F-B multiplicity correlation results [PRC 95 (2017) 064914]



Muon-hadron correlations

- Heavy flavour long range correlations studied through muon-hadron correlation
- ATLAS measured the azimuthal muon-hadron correlations in Pb-Pb collisions at 2.76 TeV [ATLAS-CONF-2015-053]
 - observed v₂ in range of $4 < p_T < 12$ GeV from 6 to~0%

Now also measured in p-Pb at $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ =8.16 TeV

- high-multiplicity + muon trigger to collect the sample
- 2PC method with template fits to subtract non-flow contribution [ATLAS-CONF-2017-006]

s_{NN}=8.16 TeV. 17



Results: muon-hadron correlation



Significant azimuthal anisotropy of HF particles observed in p-Pb

Summary

In correlation measurements ATLAS concentrates on:

- Detailed understanding of correlations properties in Pb-Pb collisions
 - High precision thanks to large statistics available
 - New observables: short & long range component in FB multiplicity correlations, vn decorrelations

 Advanced methods to answer the question on the origin of correlations in small systems

- Advancing non-flow components removal, novel sub-event cumulant provides robust results
- Performed muon-hadron correlation analysis

(in backup: observation of azimuthal modulation of source size)



Azimuthal HBT results

- Modulation of source radii in small system favours evolution scenario
- Now performed azimuthal HBT analysis [ATLAS-CONF-2017-008] (inclusive [arXiv:1704.01621])
 - Data set enhanced by high-multiplicity events, Event Plane(EP) established in "forward" calorimeter region, results corrected for EP resolution
 - Measured are relative radii change as function of distance from the EP and its scaling with overall azimuthal asymmetry (magnitude of the elliptic flow vector lq₂l)

