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Elliptic Flow

Naïve picture:



System symmetry \rightarrow Elliptic flow

$$v_2 = \langle (p_x/p_T)^2 - (p_y/p_T)^2 \rangle = \langle \cos 2(\phi - \Psi) \rangle$$

Eccentricity:

$$\varepsilon_{2,RP} = \frac{\langle y^2 - x^2 \rangle}{\langle x^2 + y^2 \rangle}$$

Linearity:

$$v_2 = K_2 \varepsilon_2$$

Elliptic Flow



Triangular Flow



 $\text{Event-by-event fluctuations} \rightarrow \text{Triangular eccentricity}$

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$$\varepsilon_{3} \equiv \frac{\sqrt{\langle r^{2} \cos(3\phi_{\text{part}}) \rangle^{2} + \langle r^{2} \sin(3\phi_{\text{part}}) \rangle^{2}}}{\langle r^{2} \rangle}$$

$$v_{3} \equiv \langle \cos(3(\phi - \psi_{3})) \rangle$$

$$v_{3} = K_{3}\varepsilon_{3}$$

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \propto 1 + \sum_{n} 2v_{n} \cos[n(\phi - \Psi_{n})]$$

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- \succ v_n coefficients driven by:
 - Initial geometry;
 Medium properties.
- \succ Initial eccentricity fluctuations \rightarrow Flow fluctuations
- > Different averaging of flow over the events: way to probe initial fluctuations

Two-particle correlations method





Fourier fit of 1D distribution:

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Multi-particle correlators:

$$\begin{split} \langle \langle 2 \rangle \rangle &= \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_1 - \phi_2)} \rangle \rangle, \\ \langle \langle 4 \rangle \rangle &= \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4)} \rangle \rangle, \\ \langle \langle 6 \rangle \rangle &= \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_3 - \phi_4 - \phi_5 - \phi_6)} \rangle \rangle, \\ \langle \langle 8 \rangle \rangle &= \langle \langle e^{in(\phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_3 + \phi_4 - \phi_5 - \phi_6 - \phi_7 - \phi_8)} \rangle \rangle \end{split}$$

Multi-particle cumulants:

$$\begin{split} c_n\{4\} &= \langle \langle 4 \rangle \rangle - 2 \langle \langle 2 \rangle \rangle^2, \\ c_n\{6\} &= \langle \langle 6 \rangle \rangle - 9 \langle \langle 4 \rangle \rangle \langle \langle 2 \rangle \rangle + 12 \langle \langle 2 \rangle \rangle^3, \\ c_n\{8\} &= \langle \langle 8 \rangle \rangle - 16 \langle \langle 2 \rangle \rangle \langle \langle 6 \rangle \rangle - 18 \langle \langle 4 \rangle \rangle^2 \\ &+ 144 \langle \langle 4 \rangle \rangle \langle \langle 2 \rangle \rangle^2 - 144 \langle \langle 2 \rangle \rangle^4. \end{split}$$

Flow harmonics:

$$v_n\{4\} = \sqrt[4]{-c_n\{4\}},$$

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$$\gamma_1^{\text{expt}} \equiv -6\sqrt{2} v_2 \{4\}^2 \frac{v_2\{4\} - v_2\{6\}}{(v_2\{2\}^2 - v_2\{4\}^2)^{3/2}}$$

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AMPT

- ≻Event-by-event generator;
- Based on HIJING initial parton-parton collisions;
- ➤Zhang's parton cascade;

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$$\succ v_2{2} > v_2{4} \approx v_2{6} \approx v_2{8}$$

Data: F

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Good agreement in absolute difference

HYDJET underestimates the skewness of the data

Results – flow harmonic correlations

- Both models give similar v₂ predictions in central and mid-central events;
- Similar case for v₃ with better agreement with data, except in peripheral collisions
- AMPT v₄ very close to data, unlike HYDJET



Results – flow harmonic correlations



Good agreement between data and models in V₃ vs V₃ slope in central and mid-collisions Each source shows different behavior in peripheral events

Results – flow harmonic correlations

Good agreement between AMPT and data

HYDJET slope disagrees with data



Data:



- $\sim v_2\{m\}/v_2\{n\}$ ratio sensitive to the medium properties
- Skewness predictions from HYDJET++ below data results
- > AMPT very good in describing higher harmonics (V_4)