# Lecture 2: Elliptic, higher-order flow

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# **Elliptic flow**

### **Collective Motion: Elliptic Flow**



 Pressure-driven expansion converts spatial anisotropy to momentum anisotropy.



### Hydrodynamics (ideal)

### **Initial conditions**

### equation of state





Ideal  $T^{\mu\nu} \equiv (\varepsilon + p) u^{\mu} u^{\nu} - g^{\mu\nu} p$ energy density  $\longrightarrow$  pressure

 Hydrodynamics can be viewed as long wave-length effective theory applicable when λ<sub>MFP</sub> << L</li>



### **Relativistic viscous hydrodynamics**

- Major theoretical breakthrough in last 5 years
  - Partially driven by AdS/CFT
- Viscous hydrodynamics can be viewed as an expansion in velocity gradients
  - $T^{\mu\nu} \equiv (\varepsilon + p) \, u^{\mu} u^{\nu} + g^{\mu\nu} p + \Pi^{\mu\nu}$
  - $\Pi^{\mu
    u}=\eta\sigma^{\mu
    u}+2^{
    m nd}~{
    m order~terms}$  with  $\sigma^{\mu
    u}=\langle 
    abla^{\mu}u^{
    u}
    angle$
- First order expansion violates causality
  - Need to go to second order
    - ⇒But, many possible terms at second order

### Using AdS/CFT to constrain possibilities:

$$\Pi^{\mu\nu} = -2\eta\sigma^{\mu\nu} + 2\eta\tau_{\pi}u^{\lambda}\mathcal{D}_{\lambda}\sigma^{\mu\nu} + 4\lambda_{1}\sigma^{<\mu}{}_{\lambda}\sigma^{\nu>\lambda} + 2\lambda_{2}\sigma^{<\mu}{}_{\lambda}\Omega^{\nu>\lambda} + \lambda_{3}\Omega^{<\mu}{}_{\lambda}\Omega^{\nu>\lambda} + 2\kappa u_{\alpha}C^{\alpha\mu\nu\beta}u_{\beta}$$

 $C^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}...$  Weyl tensor,  $\Omega^{\alpha\beta}...$  antisymmetric vorticity tensor,  $\mathcal{D}_{\lambda}...$  Weyl derivative

From an excellent colloquium at the Univ of Frankfurt by R. Baier

### **Collective Motion: Elliptic Flow**



Characterize the modulation in terms of 2<sup>nd</sup>
 Fourier coefficient

$$rac{dN}{d\phi} = A\left(1+2v_2\cos\left[2(\phi-\psi_{ extbf{evt}})
ight]
ight)$$

-  $v_2$  measures relative modulation of particle yield or transverse energy as a function of  $\phi$ 

## Event plane technique (e.g. ATLAS)



 Measure event plane in 2 or more "sub-events"

- ATLAS: two sides of FCal

- Evaluate resolution using distribution of  $\Delta \psi = \psi_1 \psi_2$
- Calculate correction for v<sub>2</sub> measured using combined ψ





## 2-particle correlation method (PHENIX)

PHENIX Phys. Rev. Lett. 89, 212301 (2002)

$$C(\Delta \phi) = \frac{N_{cor}(\Delta \phi)}{N_{uncor}(\Delta \phi)}$$

$$rac{dN}{d\Delta\phi} \propto (1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2v_n^2 \cos(n\Delta\phi))$$



• 2-particle correlation function,  $C(\Delta \phi)$ , has Fourier coefficient  $v_{21} \times v_{22}$ 

Doesn't need event plane, resolution correction

May be more sensitive to non-flow correlations

### **ATLAS: 2-particle correlations**



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# Jet contributions to 2-particle correlations can be suppressed with Δη cut But dijets and momentum conservation can produce long-range non-flow effects

## V<sub>2</sub>(p<sub>T</sub>) at RHIC

# charged particle v<sub>2</sub> as a function of p<sub>T</sub> Characteristic, ~ linear dependence at low p<sub>T</sub> kinematic effect, flow arises from velocity boost to particles Good agreement

between PHENIX, STAR using event plane method

- Measure  $\psi_2$  event-byevent, determine  $v_2$  with respect to that direction



### Particle identified v<sub>2</sub> at RHIC (2003)



 Characteristic variation with particle mass
 Successfully described by hydrodynamics for not too high p<sub>T</sub>
 ⇒Crucially, reproduced by hydrodynamics

## Elliptic flow at RHIC (2005)

### PHOBOS, Phys.Rev. C72 (2005) 051901



### Rapid variation of (p<sub>T</sub>-averaged) v<sub>2</sub> as a function of η

⇒Challenge to theoretical calculations?
 Centrality dependence not completely consistent with theoretical calculation
 ⇒hydrodynamics

## **Role of hadronic viscosity**



### •Hirano et al:

- -Hadronic dissipative effects important @ RHIC for non-central collisions and for  $\eta \neq 0$ .
  - ⇒Explains pseudorapidity and centrality (?) dependence measured by PHOBOS
  - $\Rightarrow$  But, beware, many details.

## **Non-flow effects (STAR)**



 Event plane determination potentially sensitive to non-flow azimuthal correlations.

- Particularly when EP measured near mid-rapidity

4 or multi-particle (LYZ) correlations less sensitive
 ⇒Clearly seen in STAR comparison to event-plane v<sub>2</sub>

### **Eccentricity Fluctuations**





 1st results from PHOBOS on Cu+Cu v<sub>2</sub> yielded v<sub>2</sub>/ε values > v<sub>2</sub>/ε in Au+Au

 But, use of eccentricity calculated using Glauber eccentricity more sensible

⇒v<sub>2</sub> inpretation must account for fluctuations

## **Hydro comparisons to RHIC data**

### **Saturation initial conditions**

# Non-saturation initial conditions



 Unfortunately, extraction of η/s from data very sensitive to initial conditions (ε)

⇒Factor of 2.5 difference between saturation  $(\eta/s = 0.2)$  and non-saturation  $(\eta/s = 0.08)$ 

## LHC v<sub>2</sub> ALICE



### ALICE 2, 4, many (LYZ) particle correlations

⇒Good agreement between 4 and many particle methods

 Center of mass energy dependence shows little growth in integrated v₂
 ⇒But many details ...

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### CMS v2, method comparison



### **CMS ε calculation**



$$\begin{split} \epsilon_{\text{part}} &\equiv \frac{\sigma_{y'}^2 - \sigma_{x'}^2}{\sigma_{y'}^2 + \sigma_{x'}^2} = \frac{\sqrt{\left(\sigma_y^2 - \sigma_x^2\right)^2 + 4\sigma_{xy}^2}}{\sigma_y^2 + \sigma_x^2}, \\ & \epsilon \{2\}^2 \equiv \langle \epsilon_{\text{part}}^2 \rangle, \\ & \epsilon \{4\}^4 \equiv 2\langle \epsilon_{\text{part}}^2 \rangle^2 - \langle \epsilon_{\text{part}}^4 \rangle, \text{ and} \end{split}$$

 Different v<sub>2</sub> measurement techniques have different sensitivity to the event-to-event fluctuations

- ⇒Use corresponding statistic when calculating the eccentricity.
- ⇒Here, based on Glauber model

## CMS v2/ε, role of fluctuations



 Better agreement between v2/ε values for different v2 methods when using corresponding statistic on ε

– But, in central collisions  $\varepsilon{4}$  is small

– Non-flow for v2{2}, v2{EP} in peripheral ?

## LHC CMS, ATLAS v<sub>2</sub>(p<sub>T</sub>)



See non-zero v₂ over a wide range of p<sub>T</sub>

 But at high p<sub>T</sub> (how high?), not due to collective expansion of quark gluon plasma
 ⇒ Due to jet quenching (tomorrow)
 ⇒ 5 < p<sub>T</sub> < 10 GeV range complicated</li>

## (Viscous) hydrodynamics applied



Viscous hydro + hadronic cascade (VISHNU)

- Compare to RHIC and LHC dN<sub>chg</sub>/dη, v<sub>2</sub>(p<sub>T</sub>), v<sub>2</sub>(cent)
- Specific choice of initial conditions (CGC)
  - **⇒η/s ~ 1-3 x 1/4**π
  - $\Rightarrow$  possibly larger at LHC than RHIC
    - » But beware use of constant  $\eta/s$

# **Higher-order flow**

### **Triangularity**

### • Big surprise:

 Initial-state fluctuations can generate odd and higher-order harmonics

⇒e.g. ε<sub>3</sub>

 v<sub>3</sub> demonstrated in a Monte Carlo cascade model (AMPT)





### **Experimental archaeology**

#### "Mach cone" "Ridge" AuAu 0.4 dAu 470 #entries 0.3 $(\overline{\phi \nabla})$ 450 440 Ntrig 430 420 0.1 410 -1.5<sup>-1</sup>-0.5 1.5 0

 The understanding that initial-state fluctuations can generate triangular and higher-order flow solved two long-standing (2005-2010) experimental puzzles in two-particle correlations
 ⇒ hypothesized mach shock from jets
 ⇒ long-range (in η) near-side correlation

### Fluctuations, higher-order flow



 Initial state of Pb+Pb (or Au+Au) collision is not necessarily smooth

Fluctuations in transverse plane (hot spots) will generate higher frequency (in φ) flow components
 Higher frequencies more sensitive to η/s

### **Higher Flow Harmonics**

### Major paradigm shift in the field in last 3 years

 Higher flow harmonics arising from initial-state fluctuations in transverse positions of participants

$$rac{dN}{d\phi dp_T d\eta} = rac{dN}{2\pi dp_T d\eta} \left(1 + \sum_{m{n}} 2 m{v_n} \cos\left[n(\phi - \psi_{m{n}})
ight]
ight)$$

### Frequently measured using pairs of particles



### **Fluctuations, Fourier amplitudes**



### Increasing momenta



### **Event plane vn measurements**

 Different v<sub>n</sub>'s have similar p<sub>T</sub> distribution
 – understood to result from interplay of soft and hard contributions



### Event plane vn measurements

- n = 2 has a natural geometric variation with centrality
- for n > 2, a weak centrality dependence due to the dominance of fluctuations
- in very central collisions, n = 3, 4 larger than n = 2.
  - ⇒partly because fluctuations tend not to respect symmetry
  - ⇒requires minimal dispersion during system evolution



## Hydrodynamic model comparisons

- Viscous hydrodynamic calculation with IP-sat saturation in initial state, with GQP and hadron gas EOS
  - Bottom: constant (0.2) and temperature dependent η/s
    - ⇒Not yet able to test T dependence in LHC data alone
- But, good description of vn's
  - detailed evaluation of η/s not attempted here

### MUSIC: Gale et al, arXiv:1209.6330



## Fits to (ATLAS) data



 Most rigorous attempt so far to extract η/s from LHC (ATLAS) vn data

 Saturation vs non-saturation differences substantially reduced by including higher harmonics.

### **Event-by-event vn**



Experimental breakthrough by ATLAS
 ⇒event-by-event vn measurement

### Event-by-event vn



 Probability density distributions for obtaining v<sub>2</sub>, v<sub>3</sub>, v<sub>4</sub> in a given event

- Distributions sensitive to both initial-state fluctuations and hydrodynamic evolution
- ⇒Allow detailed tests of theoretical calculations

### **Event-by-event: hydro comparisons**

MUSIC: Gale et al, arXiv: 1210.5144

Saturated initial conditions + viscous hydrodynamics lattice + hadron gas equation of state



(Implausibly?) good agreement with data
 ⇒Event-by-event v<sub>n</sub> probing both initial state and hydrodynamic evolution (here η/s = 0.2 ≈ 2.5/4π)

### **Pb+Pb Flow: summary**

- Collective expansion of the quark gluon plasma provides experimentally accessible signatures
  - Probe transport properties of the plasma
  - ⇒e.g. η/s
- Measurements at RHIC and the LHC together with viscous hydrodynamics calculations yield η/s <~ 2.5 x 1/4π</li>
  - ⇒Very close to conjectured lower bound
- Dominant systematic uncertainty is due to uncertainty over initial-state eccentricities
  - But, higher order flow results, including event-byevent measurements provide constraints

 $\Rightarrow$  And provide better sensitivity to  $\eta/s$ 

• We may soon be able to start testing models of temperature dependence of  $\eta/s$ .

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### particle identified v<sub>2</sub>



Au+Au minimum-bias @ η=0 (important)

 Mass splitting at low p<sub>T</sub> due to "wrong" choice of kinematic variable

 plotting vs KE<sub>T</sub> = m<sub>T</sub> - m removes mass dependence

### v<sub>2</sub>, n quark scaling @ RHIC ?



 Departure from mass independent v<sub>2</sub>(KE<sub>T</sub>) from recombination? -Hadrons formed at hadronization by combining n quarks from QGP  $\Rightarrow v_2 \propto n_a$  $\Rightarrow K E_T \propto n_a$  $KE_T$ • Plot:  $\frac{v_2}{n_q}$  VS  $n_{a}$ ⇒Observe universal curve!

# p/d-A collisions

## CMS: ridge in p+Pb collisions

### Low multiplicity

### **High multiplicity**



 Observe long-range near-side correlation in high-multiplicity p+Pb collisions (ridge)
 ⇒Also seen by CMS in high mult. p-p collisions

## CMS: background on p+Pb collisions



p+Pb collisions @ 5.02 TeV
LHC design: beams must have same q/p
⇒ 4 TeV p on 1.58 TeV/nucleon Pb
⇒Center of mass has rapidity 0.47 wrt lab
Multiplicity distribution of reconstructed charge particles in |η| < 2.5 extends to > 200

### CMS: ridge in p+Pb collisions



### **Dirty little secret:**

- Two-particle correlation contains 'signal' on top of a pedestal of uncorrelated pairs.
  - No way to, a priori, determine how much pedestal
- Prescription used by all experiments
  - "Zero Yield (in correlation) At the Minimum"
    - $\Rightarrow$ Subtract constant to make it so
  - (e.g.) calculate conditional yield over  $|\Delta \phi| < 1.2$  43

### **ATLAS p+Pb collisions**



Characterize "multiplicity" or event activity using forward calorimeter on Pb-going side

### **ATLAS 2-particle correlations (3)**

- Associated yields,  $Y(\Delta \phi)$ , integrated over  $\eta$  peripheral and central
  - ⇒"Ridge" clearly present in central
  - ⇒Similar increase in the away side yield between peripheral, and central collisions



## **ATLAS 2-particle correlations (5)**

- Study variation of integrated pertrigger yields with trigger p<sub>T</sub>
  - For associated
     0.5 < p<sub>T</sub> < 4 GeV</li>
- Evaluate difference between peripheral and central
  - difference ≈ same on near and away sides, and similar p⊤ dependence

![](_page_45_Figure_5.jpeg)

Beware different vertical scales on top panels

### **ATLAS 2-particle correlations (6)**

- Motivated by above observations subtract peripheral  $Y(\Delta \phi)$  from central  $Y(\Delta \phi)$ 
  - -With associated 0.5 < p<sub>T</sub> < 4 GeV</p>
  - In different trigger p<sub>T</sub> bins
    - ⇒Observe an approximately symmetric modulation in all bins

![](_page_46_Figure_5.jpeg)

### **Explained by saturation?**

![](_page_47_Figure_1.jpeg)

 Theoretical calculations of the effects of saturation can reproduce the ATLAS (e.g.) data.

## **ATLAS 2-particle correlations (7)**

![](_page_48_Figure_1.jpeg)

 Central correlation function before and after subtraction of peripheral per-trigger yields, and converting back to C(Δφ,Δη)
 ⇒Long-range modulation

### **Fourier decomposition**

![](_page_49_Figure_1.jpeg)

 Extract Fourier coefficients for the pair distributions (c<sub>2</sub>, c<sub>3</sub>)

analog of 2-particle v<sub>2,2</sub>, v<sub>3,3</sub>

•Assume factorization  $c_2(p_T^a, p_T^b) = s_2(p_T^a) s_2(p_T^b)$ 

- checked

 $\Rightarrow$ To obtain s<sub>2</sub>, s<sub>3</sub>  $\rightarrow$  if flow, v<sub>2</sub>, v<sub>3</sub>