

Fluctuation and Flow Probes of Early-Time Correlations

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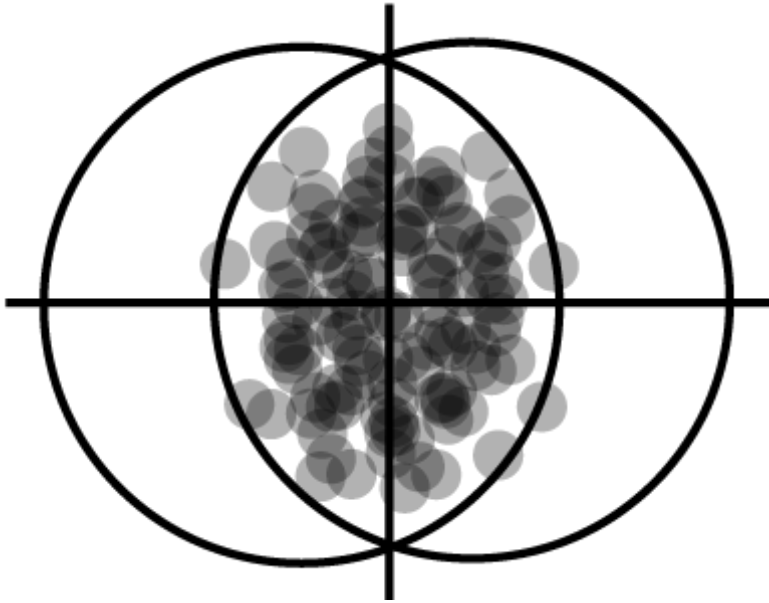
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Motivation



Can correlations distinguish lumpy vs. smooth initial conditions?

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Two Particle Correlations:

$$\rho_2 = \frac{d^2 N}{dp_1 dp_2} \quad \text{Pair Distribution}$$

pairs = singles² + correlations

Borghini,
Dinh,
Ollitrault

Sources of Correlation:

Space \Rightarrow Momentum

- Geometry (global, long range)
- Same source (local, long range)

Other + “non-flow”

- Momentum conservation (long range)
- Jets (short range)
- Resonance decays (short range)
- ...

Correlations and Fluctuations

correlations = pairs - singles²

$$r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2) = \rho_2(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2) - \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_1) \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_2)$$

$$\iint r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2) d\mathbf{p}_1 d\mathbf{p}_2 = \langle N(N-1) \rangle - \langle N \rangle^2 = \text{Var}(N) - \langle N \rangle$$

Influence of “lumps”: $r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2) \neq 0$

Non-zero values indicate non-Poissonian behavior

Multiplicity Fluctuations:

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\text{Var}(N) - \langle N \rangle}{\langle N \rangle^2}$$

**Independent of geometry.
Independent of flow.**

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Transverse Momentum Fluctuations

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p_t covariance:

$$\langle \delta p_{t1} \delta p_{t2} \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\langle N(N-1) \rangle} \left\langle \sum_{i \neq j} \delta p_{ti} \delta p_{tj} \right\rangle \quad \delta p_t \equiv p_t - \langle p_t \rangle$$

Fluctuations \Leftrightarrow Correlations

$$\langle \delta p_{t1} \delta p_{t2} \rangle \equiv \iint \delta p_{t1} \delta p_{t2} \frac{r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)}{\langle N(N-1) \rangle} d\mathbf{p}_1 d\mathbf{p}_2$$

Influence of “lumps”: Correlations, $r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)$, modified by transverse expansion based on origin..

Independent of geometry and anisotropic flow,
but not average expansion.

Momentum Correlation Function

Local equilibrium hydro evolution + Cooper-Frye freeze out

$$r(p_1, p_2) = \iint_{\text{freeze-out surface}} c(x_1, x_2) f(x_1, p_1) f(x_2, p_2)$$

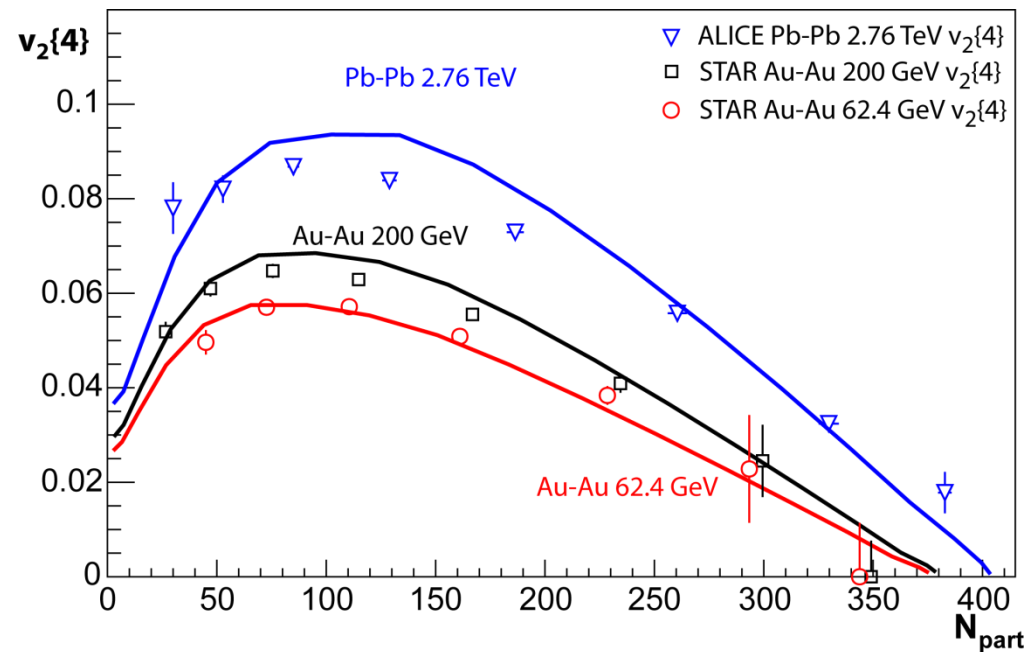
Blast wave expansion:

- Normalized Boltzmann distribution

$$f(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) = n^{-1} e^{-u^\mu p_\mu / T}$$

- Eccentricity ε characterizes elliptic geometry.
- \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{T} Average values from spectra

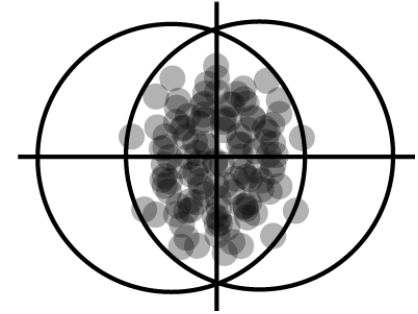
$$\gamma_t \vec{v}_t = \varepsilon_x x \hat{x} + \varepsilon_y y \hat{y}$$



Flux Tubes and Correlations

Spatial correlations:

$$c(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \left\langle \left[n(\mathbf{x}_1) - \langle n(\mathbf{x}_1) \rangle \right] \left[n(\mathbf{x}_2) - \langle n(\mathbf{x}_2) \rangle \right] \right\rangle$$



- Density “lumps” emerge from flux tubes.
- Correlated partons from same flux tube
- Flux tube size $\ll R_A \Rightarrow \delta(\vec{r}_t)$
- Average all flux tube distributions

$$\rho_{FT}(\vec{R}_t) \approx \frac{2}{Area} \left(1 - \frac{R_t^2}{R_A^2} \right)$$

$$c(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \approx \mathcal{R} \langle N \rangle^2 \delta(\mathbf{r}_t) \rho_{FT}(\mathbf{R}_t)$$

$$\mathbf{r}_t = \mathbf{r}_{t1} - \mathbf{r}_{t2}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_t = (\mathbf{r}_{t1} + \mathbf{r}_{t2})/2$$

$$\iint r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2) d\mathbf{p}_1 d\mathbf{p}_2 = \iint c(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) d\mathbf{x}_1 d\mathbf{x}_2 = \langle N \rangle^2 \mathcal{R}$$

Flux Tubes in Glasma

Correlations of N_{FT} Flux Tubes :
Fluctuations in tube number

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\text{Var}(N) - \langle N \rangle}{\langle N \rangle^2} \propto \frac{1}{\langle N_{FT} \rangle}$$

Gluon Rapidity Density

Kharzeev & Nardi

$$\frac{dN}{dy} = \frac{\text{gluons}}{\text{tube}} \times \langle N_{FT} \rangle \propto \langle N_{FT} \rangle \alpha_s^{-1}(Q_s^2)$$

Long range Glasma fluctuations:

Depends only on the saturation scale, Q_s .

Dumitru, Gelis, McLerran & Venugopalan;

Gavin, McLerran & GM

$$\mathcal{R} \frac{dN}{dy} \propto \alpha_s^{-1}(Q_s^2)$$

Multiplicity Fluctuations in Glasma

Glasma prediction:

$$\mathcal{R} \frac{dN}{dy} = \kappa \alpha_s^{-1} (Q_s^2)$$

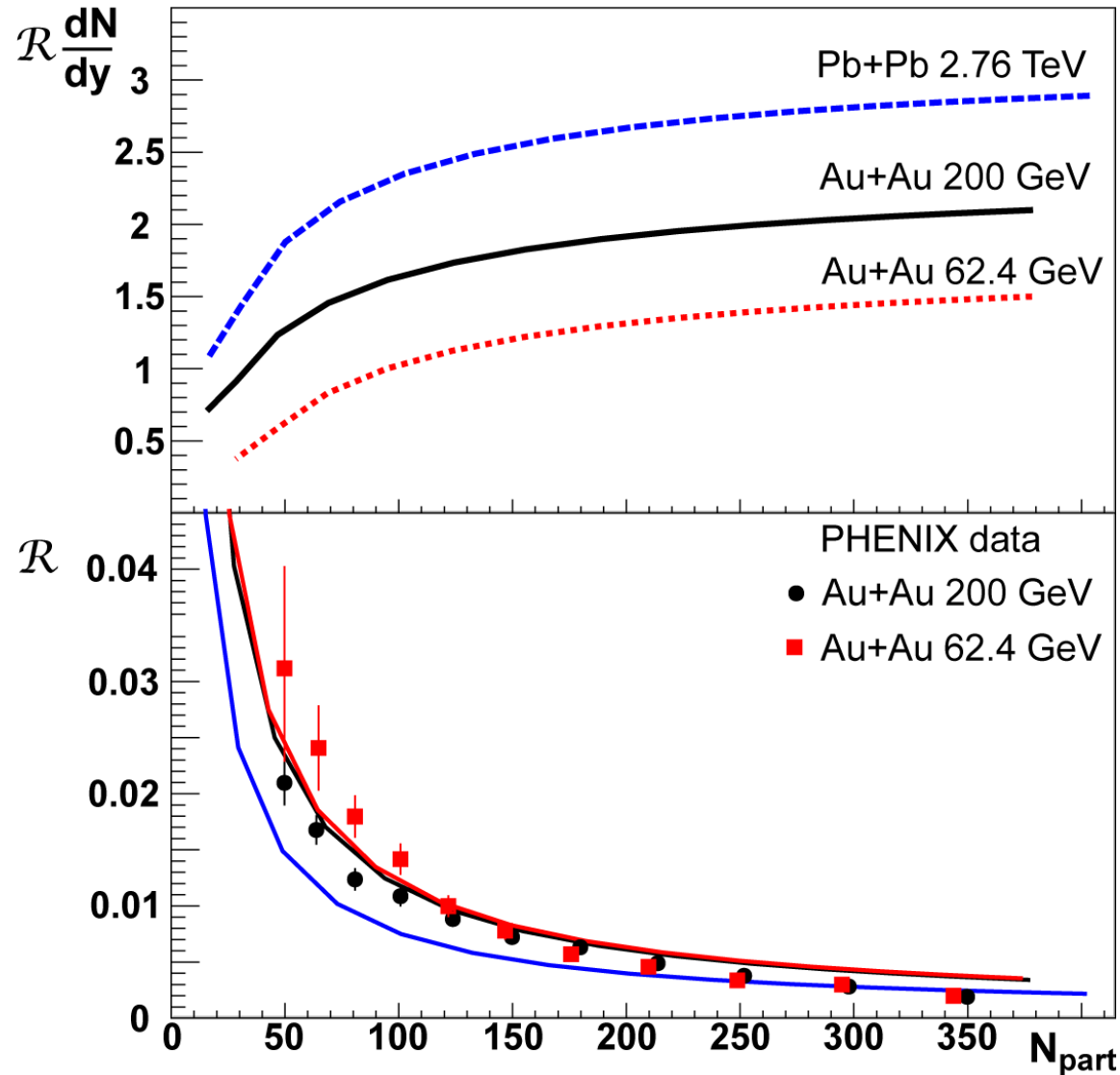
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Fix κ using ridge
analysis in 200 GeV
Au+Au

Negative binomial
distribution

$$\mathcal{R} = k_{NBD}^{-1}$$

Gelis, Lappi & McLerran



p_t Fluctuations in Glasma

Momentum fluctuations

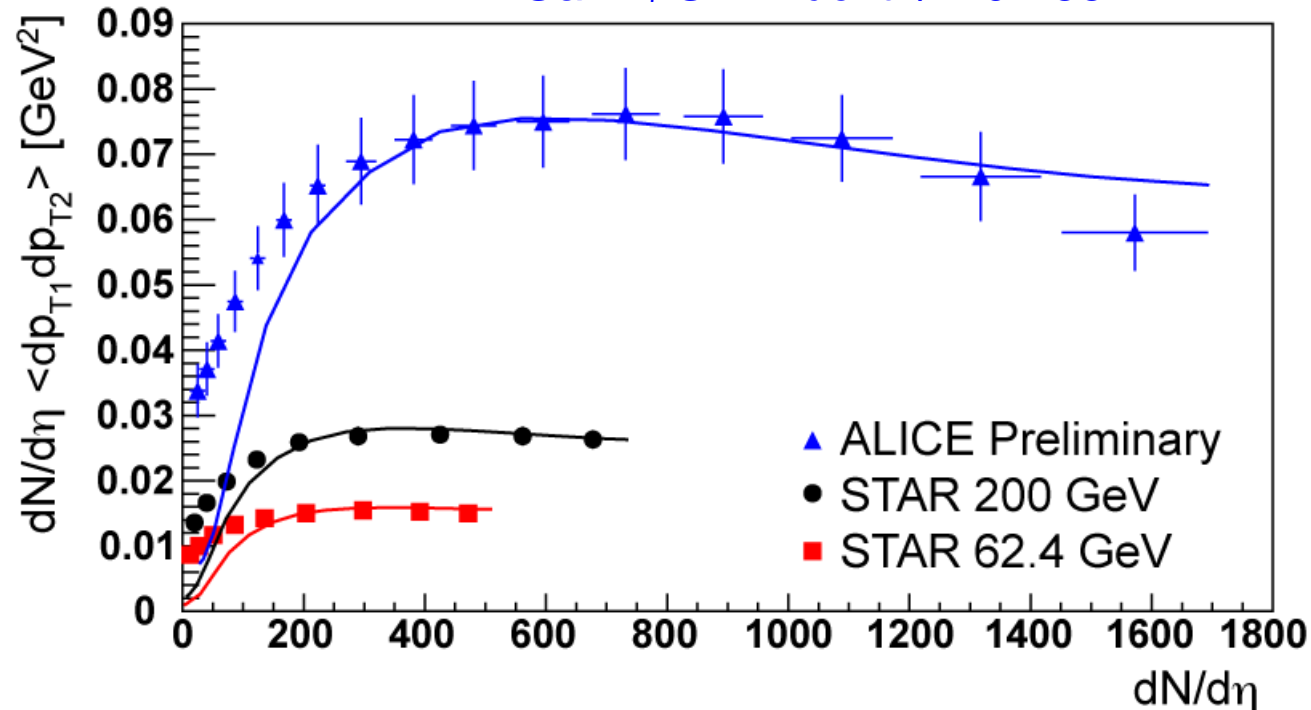
$$\langle \delta p_{t1} \delta p_{t2} \rangle \equiv \iint \delta p_{t1} \delta p_{t2} \frac{r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)}{\langle N(N-1) \rangle} d\mathbf{p}_1 d\mathbf{p}_2$$

Local momentum excess
averaged over spatial geometries.

- Blast wave $f(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{x})$
- Same scale factor
- Glasma energy dependence

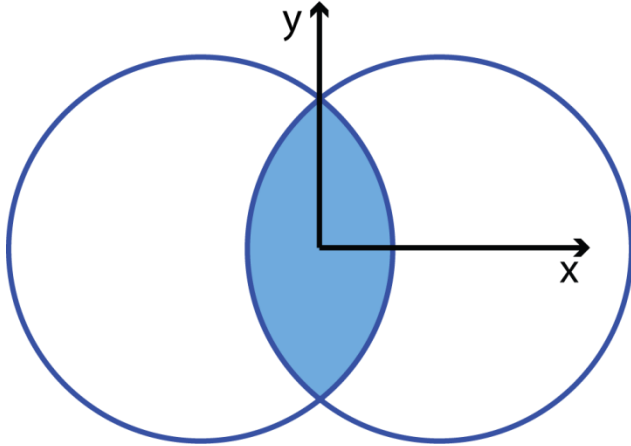
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Anisotropic Flow

Initial State Configuration



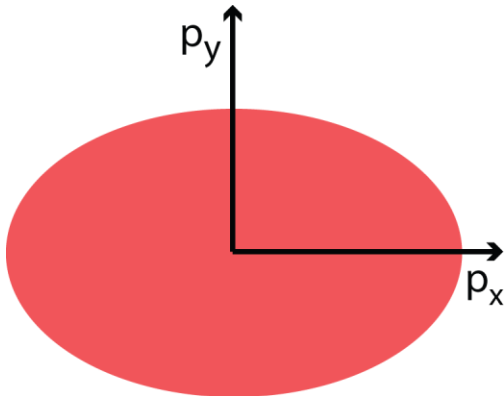
Fourier Flow Coefficient:

$$\langle v_n \rangle = \langle \cos n(\phi - \psi_{RP}) \rangle$$

Two-particle coefficient: no reaction plane needed

$$v_n \{2\}^2 = \frac{\langle \sum_{i \neq j} \cos n(\phi_i - \phi_j) \rangle}{\langle N(N-1) \rangle}$$

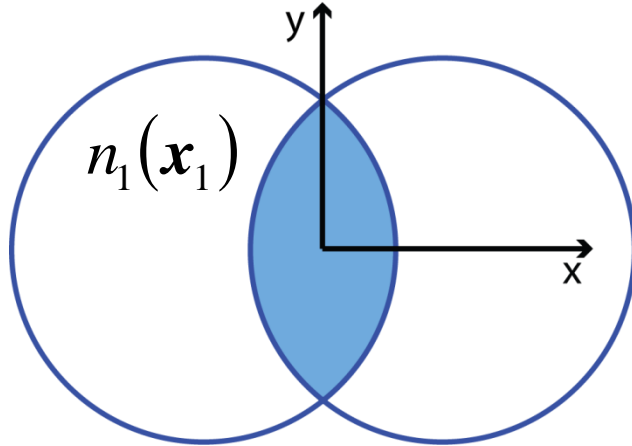
Final State Momentum



$$\phi = \tan^{-1}(p_y / p_x)$$

Anisotropic Flow

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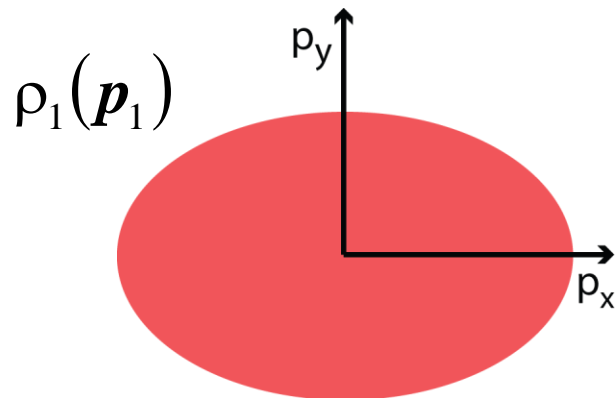
Fourier Flow Coefficient:

$$\langle v_n \rangle = \int \frac{\rho_1(\mathbf{p}_1)}{\langle N \rangle} \cos n(\phi_1 - \psi_{RP}) d\mathbf{p}$$

Two-particle coefficient:

no reaction plane needed

Final State Momentum



$$v_n \{2\}^2 = \int \frac{\rho_2(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)}{\langle N(N-1) \rangle} \cos(n\Delta\phi) d\mathbf{p}_1 d\mathbf{p}_2$$

$$\Delta\phi = \phi_1 - \phi_2$$

Cumulant Expansion

Pair Distribution:

$$\rho_2(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2) = \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_1) \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_2) + r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)$$

Borghini, Dinh, Ollitrault

Two-particle coefficient:

$$v_n \{2\}^2 \approx \langle v_n \rangle^2 + 2\sigma_n^2$$

- $\langle v_n \rangle^2$ = reaction plane correlations
- σ_n^2 = other correlations

- $v_n \{4\} \approx \langle v_n \rangle$

Borghini, Dinh, Ollitrault;
Voloshin, Poskanzer,
Tang, Wang

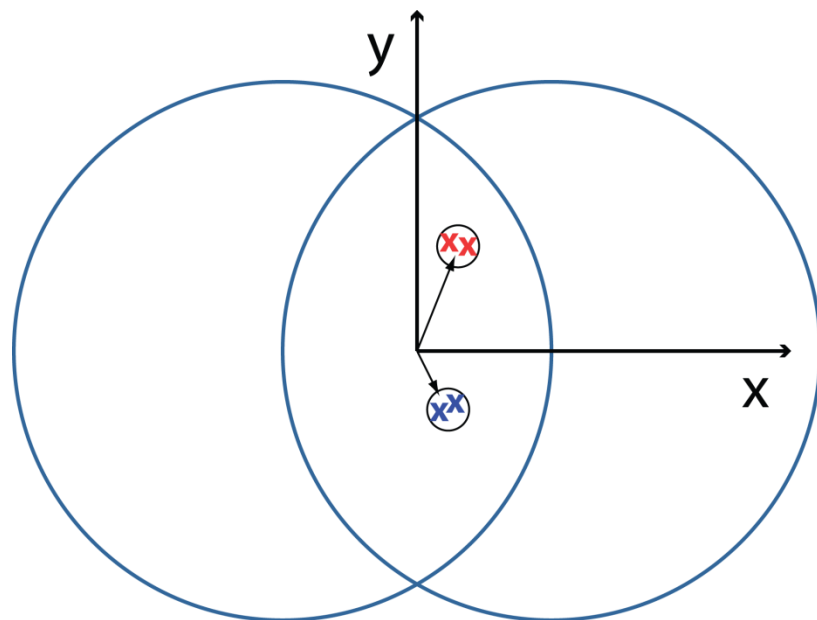
Correlated Part:

$$\sigma_n^2 = \frac{v_n \{2\}^2 - v_n \{4\}^2}{2} = \int \frac{r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)}{2\langle N(N-1) \rangle} \cos(n\Delta\phi) d\mathbf{p}_1 d\mathbf{p}_2$$

v_n factorization is a signature of flow if $\sigma_n = 0$

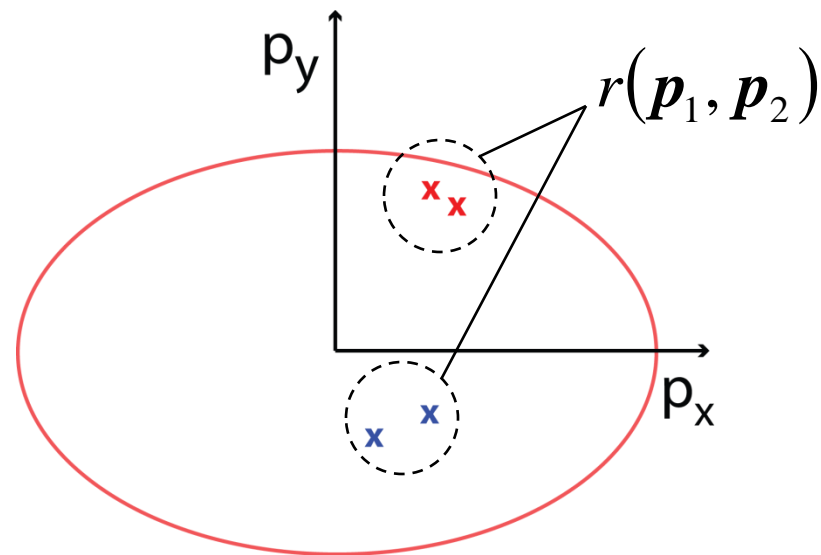
Correlation Mechanism

Initial State Configuration



$$n_2(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$$

Final State Momentum



$$\rho_2(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)$$

Final state momenta are correlated to initial position.

- Reaction plane
- Common origin
- Neglect short range correlations

Influence of “lumps”:

- Arbitrary event shapes.
- Transverse expansion modifies correlations based on origin..

Elliptic Flow

Flow and fluctuations:

- Geometry – model input

Dashed line: Blast Wave $\Rightarrow v_n\{4\}$

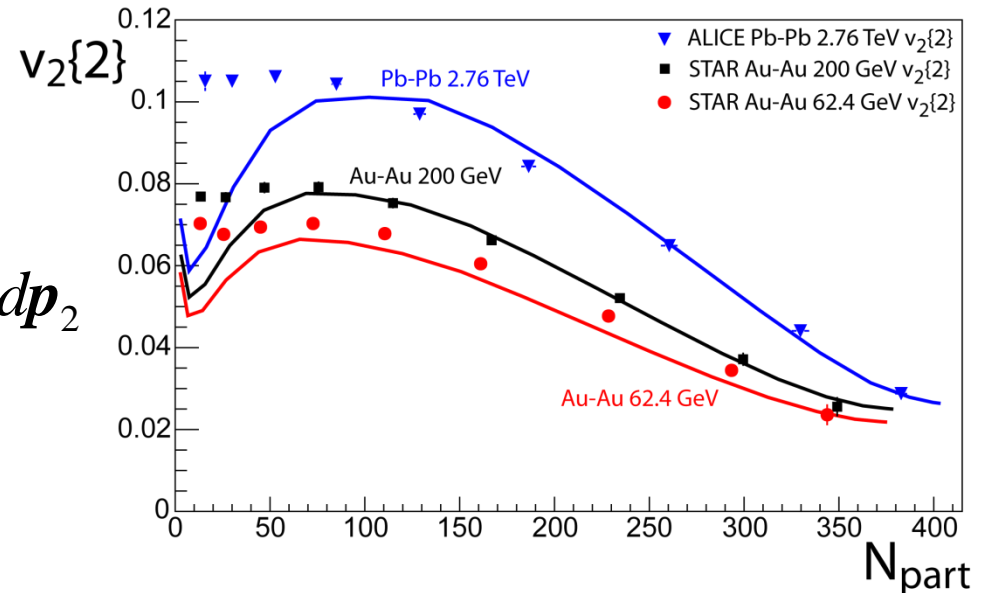
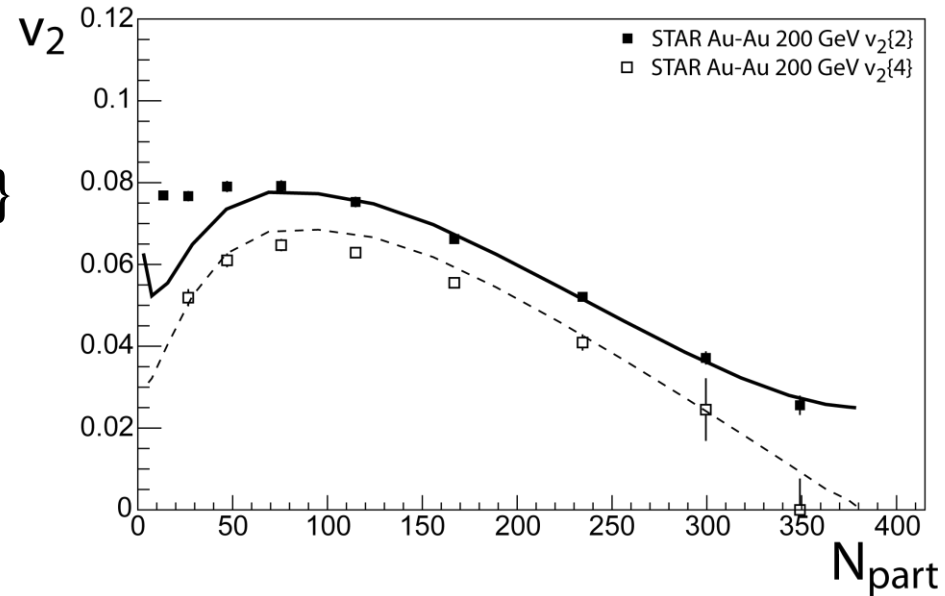
- Neglect “non-flow”

- Calculated fluctuations

$$\sigma_n^2 = \frac{v_n\{2\}^2 - v_n\{4\}^2}{2}$$

$$\sigma_n^2 = \int \frac{r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)}{2\langle N(N-1) \rangle} \cos(n\Delta\phi) dp_1 dp_2$$

- Energy dependence from \mathcal{R}



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Flow and fluctuations:

- Geometry – model input

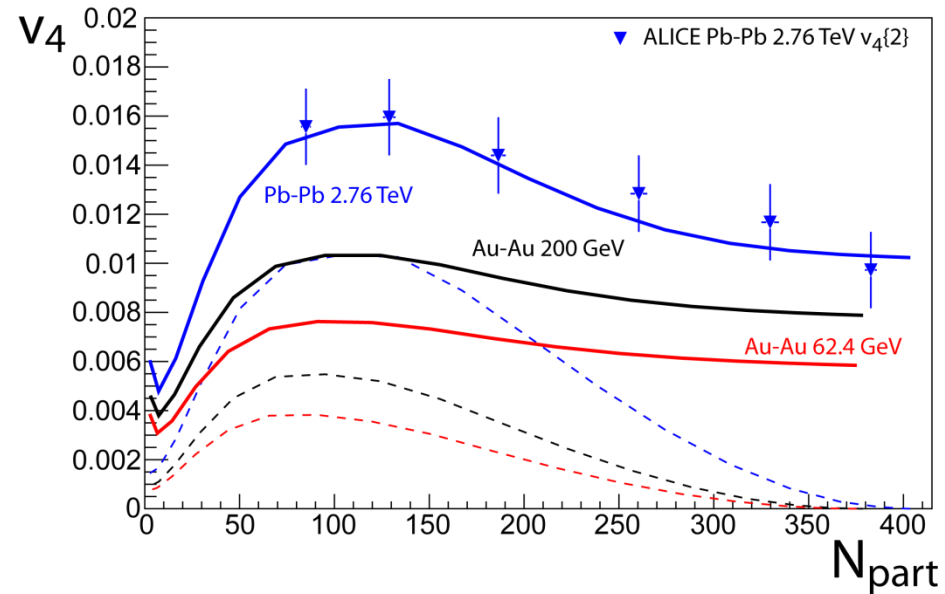
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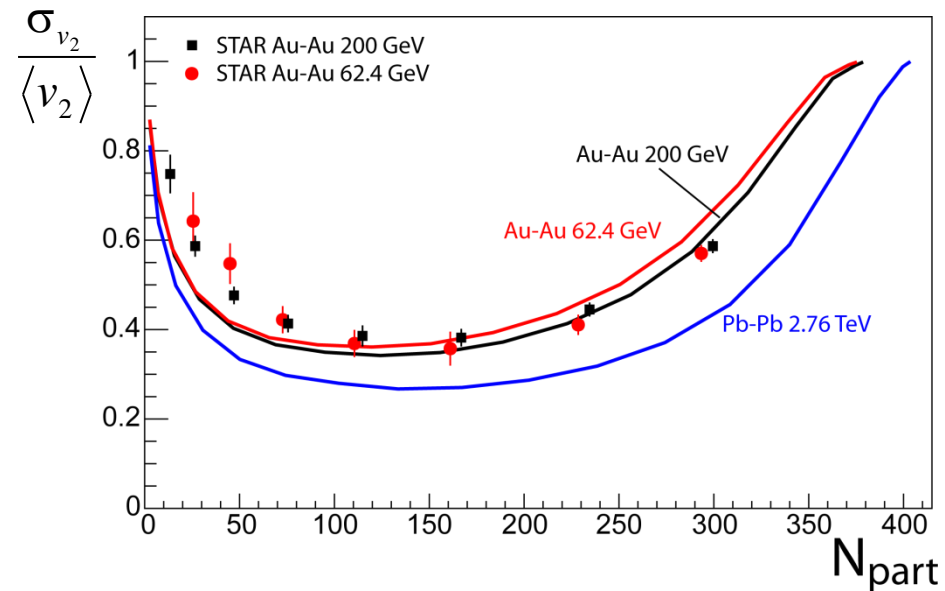
Elliptic Flow Fluctuations

Coefficient of variation: $\frac{\sigma_{v_2}}{\langle v_2 \rangle}$

$$\sigma_n^2 = \frac{v_n \{2\}^2 - v_n \{4\}^2}{2}$$

$$\langle v_n \rangle^2 = \frac{v_n \{2\}^2 + v_n \{4\}^2}{2}$$

Voloshin, Poskanzer, Tang, Wang



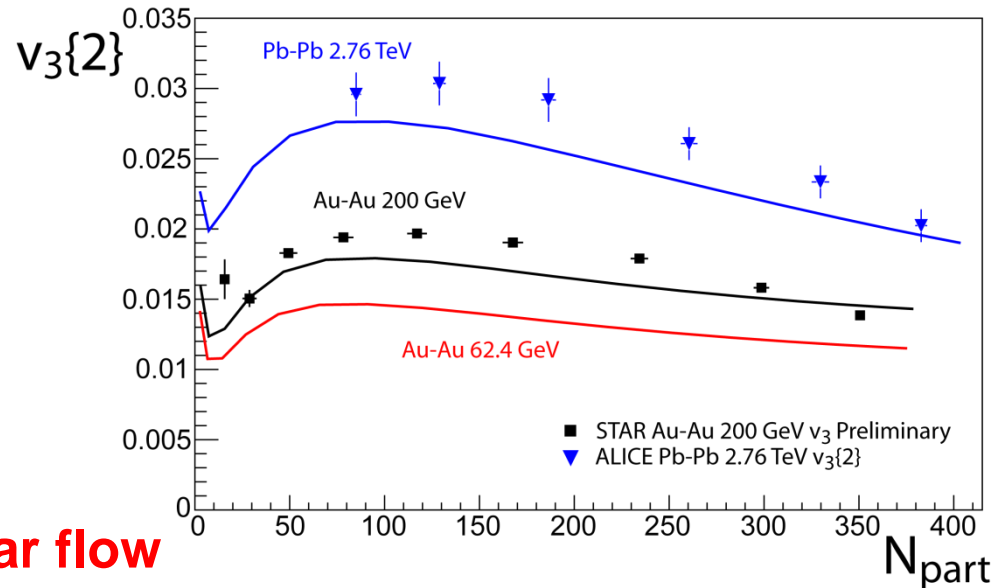
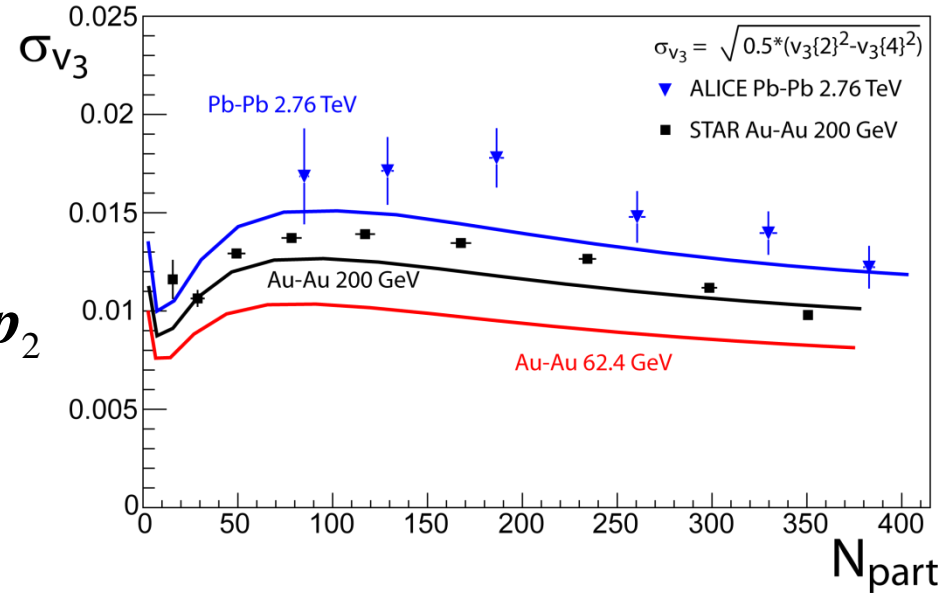
Caution: σ is technically not the variance

Flow Fluctuations and v_3

Flow Fluctuations:

$$\sigma_n^2 = \int \frac{r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)}{2\langle N(N-1) \rangle} \cos(n\Delta\phi) d\mathbf{p}_1 d\mathbf{p}_2$$

- STAR $v_3\{4\} = 0$
- Energy dependence from \mathcal{R}
- Parameterized ALICE $v_3\{4\}$
- A more realistic ρ_{FT} is needed.



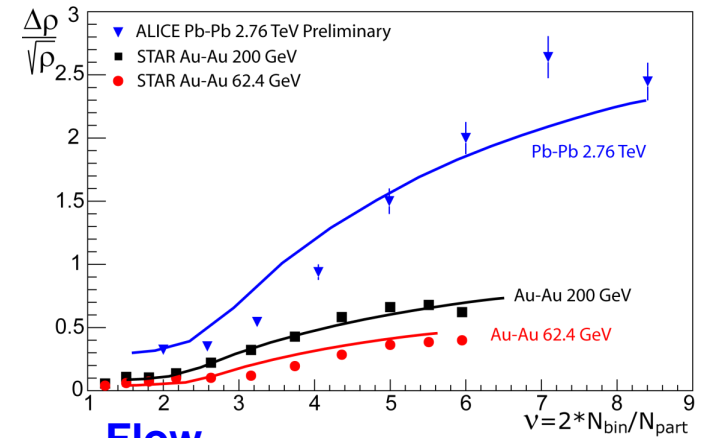
v_3 contributions without triangular flow

Summary:

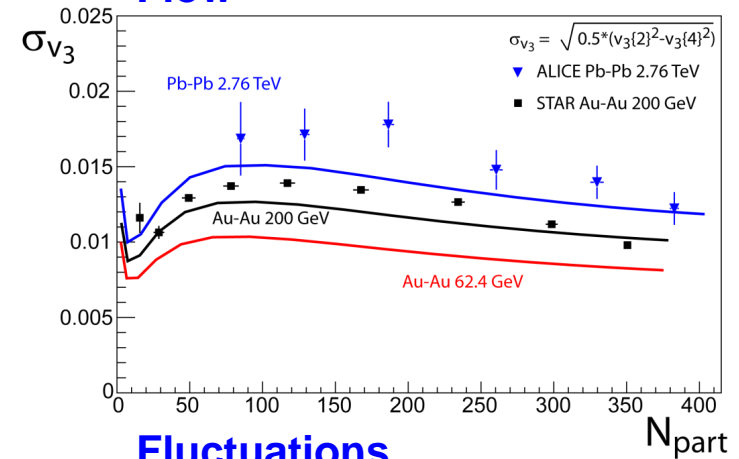
- **Multiplicity fluctuations \mathcal{R}** – only depends on the existence of density lumps.
- **Momentum fluctuations $\langle \delta p_T \delta p_T \rangle$** - from density lumps and average transverse expansion but not anisotropic flow.
- **Flow fluctuations σ_n** - from density lumps, geometry, and anisotropic flow.
- **The ridge** – the same as flow fluctuations.
- **All depend on the number and size of density lumps \Rightarrow system, energy, and centrality dependencies.**

Look at them together!

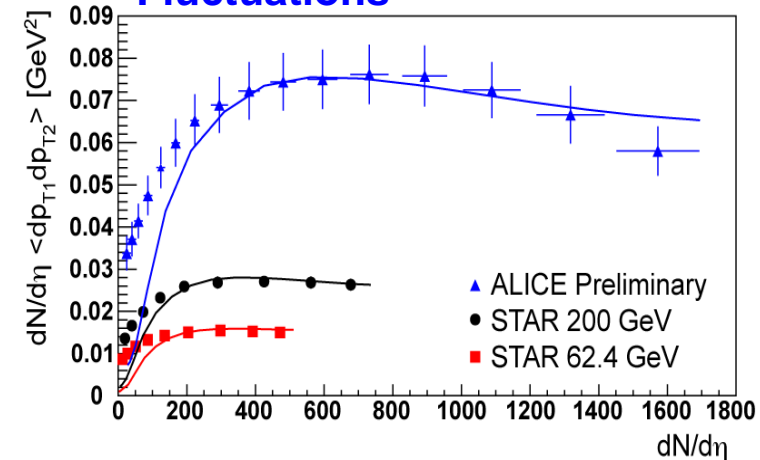
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Flow



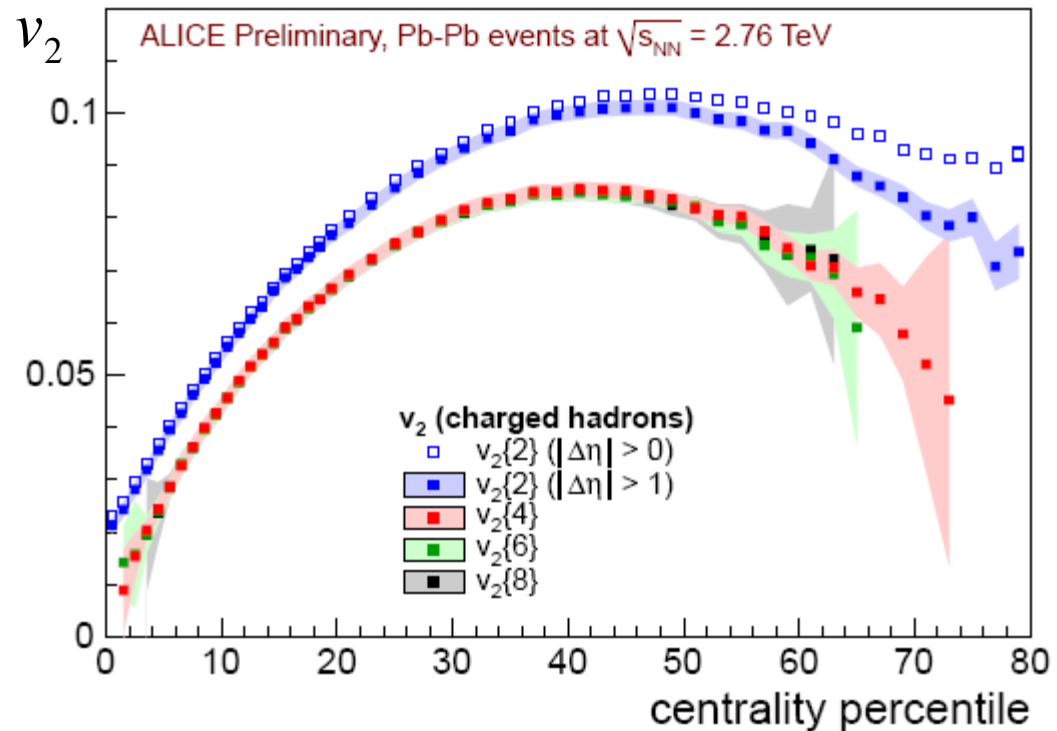
Fluctuations



Long Range Correlations

A. Bilandzic thesis

- Measurements with rapidity gaps do not explain $v_2\{2\}$ and $v_2\{4\}$ differences
- Jets, resonance decays, and other short range effects should be removed
- Long range correlations suggest initial state effects.
- Collision energy dependence of the ridge should mimic v_n



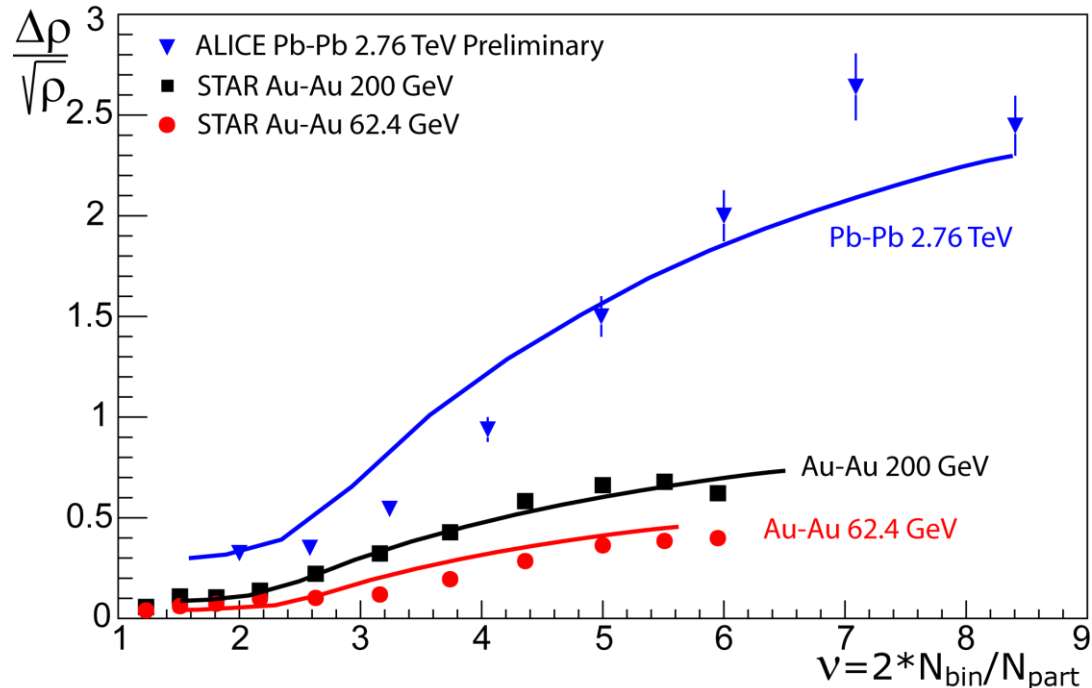
The Soft Ridge

$$\frac{\Delta\rho(\Delta\phi)}{\sqrt{\rho_{ref}}} = \frac{2}{2\pi} \frac{dN}{dy} \sum_{n=1} \langle v_n \rangle^2 \cos n\Delta\phi + \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{dN}{dy} \frac{r(\Delta\phi)}{\rho_{ref}}$$

Flow subtracted ridge

$$2 \frac{dN}{dy} \sigma_n^2 \approx \int \frac{\Delta\rho(\Delta\phi)}{\sqrt{\rho_{ref}}} \cos n\Delta\phi$$

- Only $\cos \Delta\phi$ and $\cos 2\Delta\phi$ terms subtracted
- These terms also contain fluctuations
- Glasma energy dependence
- \mathcal{R} scale factor set in Au-Au 200 GeV
- Blast wave $f(p, x)$
- Difference in peripheral STAR \rightarrow ALICE



Four-Particle Coefficients

Four-Particle Distribution: keep only two-particle correlations

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_4(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_4) &= \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_1) \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_2) \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_3) \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_4) \\ &+ \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_1) \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_2) r(\mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_4) + \dots \\ &+ r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2) r(\mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_4) + \dots\end{aligned}$$

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Four-particle coefficient:

$$\langle \cos n (\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4) \rangle \approx \langle v_n \rangle^4 + 4 \langle v_n \rangle^2 \sigma_n^2 + 2 \sigma_n^4$$

$$v_n \{4\}^4 = 2 v_n \{2\}^4 - \langle \cos n (\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4) \rangle \approx \langle v_n \rangle^4$$

$v_n\{4\}$ corrections

Four-particle coefficient:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \cos n (\phi_1 + \phi_2 - \phi_3 - \phi_4) \rangle \\ & \approx \langle v_n \rangle^4 + 4 \langle v_n \rangle^2 \sigma_n^2 + 2 \sigma_n^4 - 2 \langle v_n \rangle^2 \operatorname{Re} \{ \Sigma_n^2 \} - |\Sigma_n^2|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Will cancel with
 $v_n\{2\}$ terms

$$v_n\{4\}^4 \approx \langle v_n \rangle^4 - 2 \langle v_n \rangle^2 \operatorname{Re} \{ \Sigma_n^2 \} - |\Sigma_n^2|^2 \quad \text{Corrections of order } \sim 1.2\%$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \{ \Sigma_n^2 \} = \int \frac{r(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)}{\langle N(N-1) \rangle} \cos 2n(\Phi - \psi_{RP}) d\mathbf{p}_1 d\mathbf{p}_2$$

$$\Phi = (\phi_1 + \phi_2)/2$$

\mathcal{R}

- K flux tubes, assume

$$\langle N \rangle_K = \mu K$$

$$\langle N^2 \rangle_K - \langle N \rangle_K^2 = \sigma^2 K$$

- K varies event-by-event

$$\langle N \rangle = \mu \langle K \rangle$$

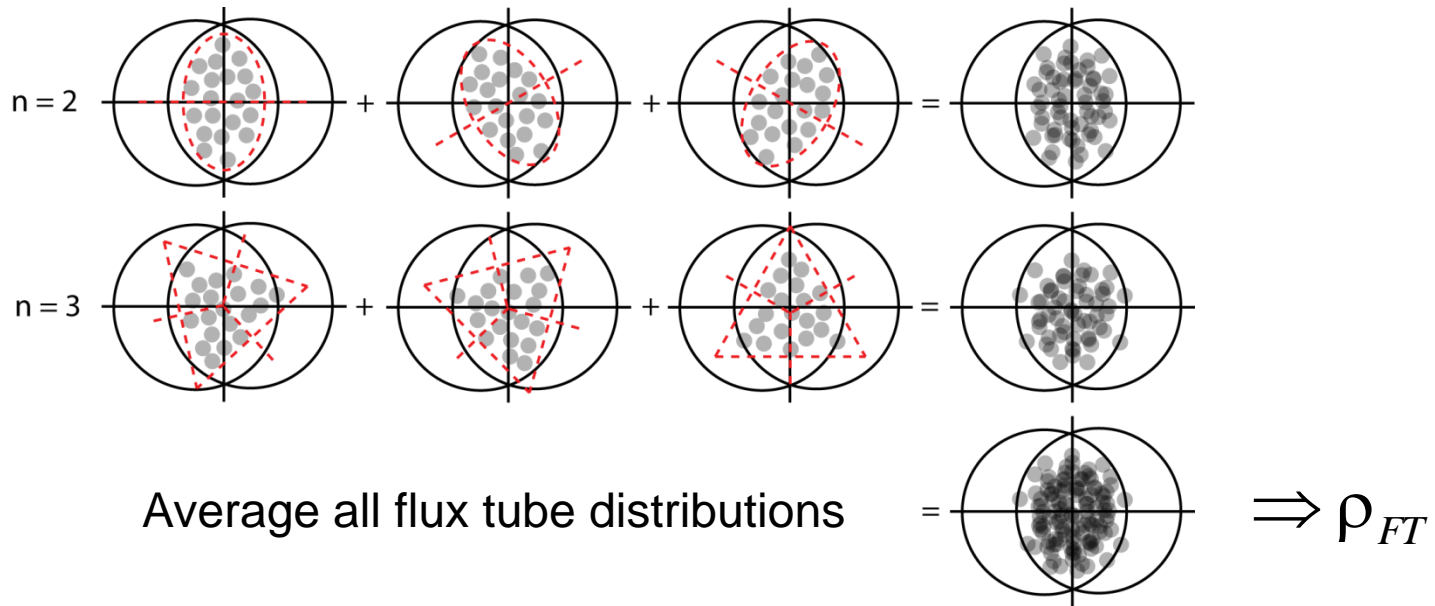
$$\langle N^2 \rangle - \langle N \rangle^2 = \sigma^2 K + \mu^2 (\langle K^2 \rangle - \langle K \rangle^2)$$

For K sources that fluctuate per event

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\sigma^2 - \mu}{\mu^2} \frac{1}{\langle K \rangle} + \frac{\langle K^2 \rangle - \langle K \rangle^2}{\langle K \rangle^2} \approx \frac{1}{\langle K \rangle}$$

Fluctuations per source + Fluctuations in the number of sources

Source Distributions



- The v_2 event plane is correlated with real reaction plane.
- The v_3 event plane is arbitrary.
- Event averages represent both event shape and event plane fluctuations.
- Blast wave: Currently captures v_3 event plane fluctuations but not triangular flow.

Geometry: probability distribution of flux tubes \sim nuclear thickness

$$\rho_{FT}(\vec{R}_t) \approx \frac{2}{Area} \left(1 - \frac{R_t^2}{R_A^2} \right)$$