Critical and non-critical fluctuations at RHIC BES



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Correlations & fluctuations

- -Correlated fluctuations near the QCD critical point
- -Non-critical (thermal) fluctuations

More observables for initial state fluctuations

-Various flow data reflect the information of initial state fluctuations, some of them provide strong constraint for initial conditions

Correlated fluctuations near the QCD critical point

Initial State Fluctuations

-QGP fireball evolutions smearout the initial fluctuations -uncorrelated (in general)

Fluctuations near the critical point

-dramatically increase near Tc
-Strongly correlated
-Static vs dynamical critical fluct.

Static critical fluctuations

Theoretical predictions on critical fluctuations

$$P[\sigma] \sim \exp\{-\Omega[\sigma]/T\}, \qquad \Omega = \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2}(\nabla\sigma)^2 + \frac{m_\sigma^2}{2}\sigma^2 + \frac{\lambda_3}{3}\sigma^3 + \frac{\lambda_4}{4}\sigma^4 + \cdots\right]$$
$$\langle \sigma_0^2 \rangle = \frac{T}{V}\xi^2 \qquad \langle \sigma_0^3 \rangle = \frac{2\lambda_3 T}{V}\xi^6; \qquad \langle \sigma_0^4 \rangle_c = \frac{6T}{V}[2(\lambda_3\xi)^2 - \lambda_4]\xi^8.$$

Higher cummulants (ratios) of net protons are sensitive observables to probe the QCD critical point

STAR BES: Cumulant ratios

-Non-monotonic behavior, large deviation from the Poisson baseline How to systematically describe the collision energy, centrality and acceptance cut dependence ?

Freeze-out Scheme near the Critical Points

Jiang, Li & Song, PRC 2016

Particle emissions in traditional hydro

$$E\frac{dN}{d^3p} = \int_{\Sigma} \frac{p_{\mu}d\sigma^{\mu}}{2\pi^3} f(x,p)$$

Particle emissions near T_{cr}

$$M \longrightarrow g\sigma(x)$$

$$f(x,p) = f_0(x,p)[1 - g\sigma(x)/(\gamma T)]$$

$$= f_0 + \delta f$$

$$\begin{split} \langle \delta f_1 \delta f_2 \rangle_{\sigma} &= f_{01} f_{02} f_{03} \left(\frac{g^2}{\gamma_1 \gamma_2} \frac{1}{T^3} \right) \langle \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \rangle_c \,, \\ \langle \delta f_1 \delta f_2 \delta f_3 \rangle_{\sigma} &= f_{01} f_{02} f_{03} \left(-\frac{g^3}{\gamma_1 \gamma_2 \gamma_3} \frac{1}{T^3} \right) \langle \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3 \rangle_c \,, \\ \langle \delta f_1 \delta f_2 \delta f_3 \delta f_4 \rangle_{\sigma} &= f_{01} f_{02} f_{03} f_{04} \left(\frac{g^4}{\gamma_1 \gamma_2 \gamma_3 \gamma_4} \frac{1}{T^4} \right) \langle \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3 \sigma_4 \rangle_c \,. \end{split}$$

<u>CORRELATED</u> particle emissions along the freeze-out surface

$$\begin{split} \left\langle (\delta N)^2 \right\rangle_c &= \left(\frac{g_i}{(2\pi)^3} \right)^2 \left(\prod_{i=1,2} \left(\frac{1}{E_i} \int d^3 p_i \int_{\Sigma_i} p_{i\mu} d\sigma_i^\mu d\eta_i \right) \right) \frac{f_{01} f_{02}}{\gamma_1 \gamma_2} \frac{g^2}{T^2} \langle \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \rangle_c, \\ \left\langle (\delta N)^3 \right\rangle_c &= \left(\frac{g_i}{(2\pi)^3} \right)^3 \left(\prod_{i=1,2,3} \left(\frac{1}{E_i} \int d^3 p_i \int_{\Sigma_i} p_{i\mu} d\sigma_i^\mu d\eta_i \right) \right) \frac{f_{01} f_{02} f_{03}}{\gamma_1 \gamma_2 \gamma_3} \left(-\frac{g^3}{T^3} \langle \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3 \rangle_c \right), \\ \left\langle (\delta N)^4 \right\rangle_c &= \left(\frac{g_i}{(2\pi)^3} \right)^4 \left(\prod_{i=1,2,3,4} \left(\frac{1}{E_i} \int d^3 p_i \int_{\Sigma_i} p_{i\mu} d\sigma_i^\mu d\eta_i \right) \right) \frac{f_{01} f_{02} f_{03}}{\gamma_1 \gamma_2 \gamma_3 \gamma_4} \frac{g^4}{T^4} \langle \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3 \sigma_4 \rangle_c \\ P[\sigma] \sim \exp\{-\Omega[\sigma]/T\}, \qquad \Omega[\sigma] = \int d^3 x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\nabla \sigma)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\sigma} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\sigma} \right)^2 \right) \frac{g^2}{\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3 \sigma_4} \right) \frac{f_{01} f_{02} f_{03} f_{04}}{\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3 \sigma_4} \frac{g^4}{\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3 \sigma_4} \int d^3 z D(x_1 - z) D(x_2 - z) D(x_3 - z) \int (x_3 - v) D(x_4 - v) D(u - v). \end{split}$$

-- Static critical fluctuations along the freeze-out surface

<u>Note:</u> for static & infinite medium, the results in Stephanov PRL09 can be reproduced

Static critical fluctuations -comparison with the exp.data

-Acceptance dependence

-Cumulants & cummulant ratios

-Static critical fluctuations can qualitatively explain the acceptance dependence of the STAR data

Cumulants of net protons

Static critical fluctuations give positive contribution to C_2 , C_3 ; well above the poisson baselines, can NOT explain/describe the C_2 , C_3 data

Dynamical Critical Fluctuations

-Static (equilibrium) universality class

-QCDmatter, 3-D Ising model, gas-liquid

-Dynamical universality class

-whether or not the order parameter is conserved -other conserved quantities in the system

- -Model A: non-conserved order parameter
- -Model B: conserved order parameter;
- -Model H: conserved energy and baryons density, non-conserved order parameter

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Effects from dynamical evolutions

$$\partial_{\tau} \mathsf{P}(\sigma;\tau) = \frac{1}{\mathsf{m}_{\sigma}^{2} \tau_{\mathsf{eff}}} \Big[\partial_{\sigma} \Big[\partial_{\sigma} \Omega_{0}(\sigma) + \mathsf{V}_{4}^{-1} \partial_{\sigma} \Big] \mathsf{P}(\sigma;\tau) \Big] - \mathbf{Model} A$$

near-equilibrium limit:

$$\partial_{\tau} \kappa_{2} = -2 \tau_{\text{eff}}^{-1} a_{2} \delta \kappa_{2}$$
$$\partial_{\tau} \kappa_{3} = -3 \tau_{\text{eff}}^{-1} [a_{2} \delta \kappa_{2} + a_{3} \delta \kappa_{3}]$$
$$\partial_{\tau} \kappa_{4} = -4 \tau_{\text{eff}}^{-1} [a_{2} \delta \kappa_{2} + a_{3} \delta \kappa_{3} + a_{4} \delta \kappa_{3}]$$

S. Mukherjee, R. Venugopalan, Y. Yin, PRC92 (2015)

sign of non-Gaussian cumulants can be different from equilibrium one

Dynamical critical fluctuations of the sigma field

Langevin dynamics: $\partial^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\sigma(t,x) + \eta\partial_{t}\sigma(t,x) + V'_{eff}(\sigma) = \xi(t,x)$ -Model A with effective potential from linear sigma model with constituent quarks $V_{eff}\left(\sigma\right) = U\left(\sigma\right) + \Omega_{\bar{q}q}\left(T,\sigma\right) = \frac{\lambda^2}{4} \left(\sigma^2 - \nu^2\right)^2 - h_q \sigma - U_0 - 2d_q T \int \frac{d^3p}{\left(2\pi\right)^3} \ln\left(1 + \exp\left(-\frac{E}{T}\right)\right)$ Jiang, Wu, Song, NPA 2017, paper in preparation On the crossover side n = 1 fm 200 η = 3 fm⁻¹ 90 = 7 fm⁻¹ 160 ö õ 100 60 1st order T [MeV] traj. 120 traj. Il 30 0 80 90 90 80 80 100 70 100 70 T [MeV] T [MeV] 15000 1000 40 0 0 ő 0 3 120 160 200 240 280 320 -15000 μ[MeV] -1000 100 90 80 100 90 80 70 70 T [MeV] T [MeV]

-The signs of C₃ & C₄ are different from the equil. ones due to memory effects

<u>-in the near future:</u> maping with 3D Ising model; extend to model B; dynamical universal behavior

σ [MeV]

C₃ & C₄ are largely enhanced compared with the equil. ones

Non-Critical (Thermal) Fluctuations

Detection and analysis technology

The efficiency corrections and acceptance of the detector

Bzdak A, Holzmann R, Koch V. arXiv preprint arXiv:1603.09057, 2016...

Bin width effect and centrality dependence

McDonald D, STAR Collaboration. Nuclear Physics A, 2013, 904: 907c-910c...

Auto-correlation effects(ACE)

Luo X, Xu J, Mohanty B, et al. JPG, 2013, 40(10): 105104...

Acceptance dependence of fluctuation

Ling B, Stephanov M A. arXiv preprint arXiv:1512.09125, 2015; Bzdak A, Koch V. Phys. Rev. C, 2012, 86(4): 044904; Masayuki Asakawa and Masakiyo Kitazawa. arXiV:1512.0038...

physical effect

Conservations law for charges and baryons

Bzdak A, Koch V, Skokov V. PRC, 2013, 87(1): 014901...

Volume fluctuations

Xu H..arXiv:1602.07089, 2016; Xu H. arXiv:1602.06378, 2016; S. Jeon, hep-ph/0304012; M. I. Gorenstein, Phys.Rev. C 78, 041902; V. Skokov, Phys.Rev. C 88, 034911...

Hadronic evolution & rescattering

X.Luo, J. Xu, B. Mohanty, and N. Xu, J.P.G 40,105104(2013); Xu, Ji; Yu, Shili; Liu, Feng; Luo, Xiaofeng arXiv:1606.03900 ...

Resonance decay

Garg P, Mishra D K, et al. Phys. Lett. B, 2013, 726(4): 691-696; Andronic A, Braun-Munzinger P, Stachel J. Nucl. Phys. A 2006, 772(3): 167-199; Andronic A, Braun-Munzinger P. Phys. Lett. B, 2009, 673(2): 142-145; Cleymans J, K ämpfer B, Kaneta M, et al.. Phys. Rev. C, 2005, 71(5): 054901...

-In experiment, Poisson fluctuations are generally served as the thermal fluctuation baselines, especially for the multiplicity fluct. of (anti)protons

- -Where does the Poisson baselines come from?
- -How various factors influence / destroy Poisson distributions (volume fluctuations, hadronic evolution, resonance decays) 20

Hadron Resonance Gas Model

-Grand canonical ensemble(GCE)

$$\ln Z(T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S) = \sum_{i \in \text{mesons}} \ln Z_i^+(T, \mu_Q, \mu_S) + \sum_{i \in \text{baryons}} \ln Z_i^-(T, \mu_B, \mu_Q, \mu_S)$$

-With Boltzmann approximation

$$\ln Z_i^{\pm}(T, V, \overrightarrow{\mu}) = \frac{VTg_i m_i^2}{2\pi^2} K_2(m_i/T) \exp(\overrightarrow{\mu}/T)$$

-The susceptibilities

$$\chi_q^{(n)}(T,\mu_B,\mu_S,\mu_Q) = \frac{\partial^n (P/T^4)}{\partial (\mu_q/T)^n} \Big|_T \qquad P/T^4 = \lim_{V \to \infty} \frac{1}{VT^3} \ln Z(T,V,\overrightarrow{\mu})$$

$$\chi_q^{(n)}(T,\mu_B,\mu_S,\mu_Q) = \chi_q^{(1)}(T,\mu_B,\mu_S,\mu_Q)$$

$$C_{n,q} = C_{1,q} = \text{Mean}_q \qquad \text{Poisson Baselines!}$$

Garg P, Mishra D K, Netrakanti P K, et al. Phys. Lett. B, 2013, 726(4): 691-696.

Improved Hadron Resonance Gas Model

-Acceptance cut:

[Nahrgang, et al. EPJC75 (2015) no.12, 573]

$$n_k(T,\mu_k) = \frac{d_k}{4\pi^2} \int_{-y_{\text{MAX}}}^{y_{\text{MAX}}} \mathrm{d}y \int_{p_T^{\text{MIN}}}^{p_T^{\text{MAX}}} \mathrm{d}p_T \frac{p_T \sqrt{p_T^2 + m_k^2} \mathrm{Cosh}[y]}{(-1)^{B_k + 1} + \exp((\mathrm{Cosh}[y]\sqrt{p_T^2 + m_k^2} - \mu_k)/T)}$$

-Resonance decays:

$$VT^3 \left. \frac{\partial (P/T^4)}{\partial (\mu_h/T)} \right|_T = \langle N_h \rangle + \sum_R \langle N_R \rangle \langle n_h \rangle_R$$

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- A realistic heavy ion collision: dynamical evolutions
- late hadronic evolution:
 Chemical and thermal equilibrium can not be maintained

Multiplicity fluctuations of (net) Charges and (net) protons from iEBE-VISHNU Li, Xu, Song, 1707.09742

Various fluctuations in the hybrid model

- -Initial state fluctuations
- -Thermal fluctuations in viscous hydrodynamics
- -Thermal fluctuations during the switching between hydro & UrQMD (statistical hadronization, GCE; → Poisson fluctuations)
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Moments and Moment products of net-charges

-For net charges, IEBE-VISHNU roughly describes the data of S and κ and the related ratios, shows large deviations from the Poisson baselines.

Li, Xu, Song, 1707.09742

Cumulants and Cumulant ratios of Net-protons

-iEBE-VISHNU: small deviation from the Poisson baselines, roughly describe the data.
-at lower collision energy, larger gap between data and model
-charge conservation, critical fluct. first order phase transition

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-iEBE-VISHNU roughly describe most of the moments & moments products of (net) charges and (net) protons

- What are dominant factors to influence the multiplicity fluct.
 -volume fluctuations?
 - -resonance decays ?
 - -hadronic Scatterings ?

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What is Volume Fluctuations /Corrections?

- Single hydro + many many UrQMD
 Poisson fluctuations, no volume fluct/correc
- 2) In a certain centrality bins: Many (Single hydro + many many UrQMD)
 - many Poisson fluctuations are superimposed together
 --> volume fluct /correc & wide centrality bin effect

3) In a fine centrality bins: --> volume fluct /correc

Volume corrections, resonance decays & hadronic evolution

The effects of hadronic scatterings and resonance decays are very small
 Volume fluctuations plays the dominant role for multiplicity fluctuations
 For net protons, the effects of volume fluctuations are relatively small
 –>close to Poisson fluctuations
 Li, Xu, Song, 1707.09742

Non-Critical fluctuations -results from UrQMD

J. Xu, S. Yu, F. Liu and X. Luo, Phys. Rev. C 94, no. 2, 024901 (2016); S. He and X. Luo, arXiv:1704.00423 [nucl-ex].Z. Yang, X. Luo and B. Mohanty, Phys. Rev. C 95, no. 1, 014914 (2017)

Non-Critical fluctuations ---iEBE-VISHNU vs. UrQMD

UrQMD

Non-Critical fluctuations ---iEBE-VISHNU vs. UrQMD

Initialization of UrQMD: statistical hadronization, independent particle production Poisson fluctuations

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Initialization of UrQMD: projectile & target nuclei, charge conservation

iEBE-VISHNU vs UrQMD

-Li, Luo, Xu & Song, unpublished notes

-Volume fluctuations is the main factors to influence the multiplicity fluct. of (net) charges and (net) protons

-Charge/baryon conservation should be further included in iEBE-VISHNU

Summary

It is important to study both critical and non-critical fluctuations for BES and the search of the critical point

<u>Critical fluctuations near the QCD critical point</u>

-Static (equilibrium) critical fluctuation

-qualitatively explain the acceptance dependence of critical fluctuations -C4 and $\kappa\sigma_2$ can be reproduced through tuning the parameters of the model -C₂, C₃ are well above the poisson baselines, which can NOT describe the data

-dynamical critical fluctuation

-Sign of the C₃, C₄ cumulants can be different from the equilibrium one due to the memory effects

-model A , model B, model H ...

Non-critical (thermal) Fluctuations

- -At higher collision energy, (net) charge distributions deviate from Poisson, (net) protons distributions are pretty close to Poisson
- -Volume correction is the main factors to influence the multiplicity fluct. Of (net) charges and (net) protons
- Charge conservations need to be further included in iEBE-VISHNU

Initial State Fluctuations

- Hydrodynamics and hybrid model has been fully developed
- -Lots of efforts from both exp and theory to study the initial state fluctuations and final state correlations
- -the QGP shear viscosity has been extracted with massive data evaluations!

To do list of critical Fluctuations

- -Better understanding for dynamical (non-equilibrium) critical fluctuations
- Full development of the dynamical model near the critical point
- -More realistic non-critical fluct baselines
- -Interactions between critical & non-critical fluctuations
- -where is the critical points located in the (T μ) plane ?
- -what is the effective correlation length ξ ?

Cumulants of Protons/Anti-protons

-iEBE-VISHNU roughly describe the experimental data.

-Small deviation from the Poisson baselines. Li, Xu, Song, paper in preparation

Moments of Positive/Negative Charges

-iEBE-VISHNU model give a good description of M and σ

-For S and κ, the iEBE-VISHNU results shows cetrain deviations from the Poisson baseline. Li, Xu, Song, paper in preparation

Boltzmann approach with external field

Stephanov PRD 2010

$$S = \int d^3x \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \sigma \partial^\mu \sigma - U(\sigma)) - \int ds M(\sigma),$$
$$\begin{cases} \partial^2 \sigma + dU/d\sigma + (dM/d\sigma) \int_p f/\gamma = 0, \\ \frac{p^\mu}{M} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^\mu} + \partial^\mu M \frac{\partial f}{\partial p^\mu} + \mathcal{C}[f] = 0, \end{cases}$$

-analytical solution with perturbative expansion, please refer to Stephanov PRD 2010

Stationary solution for the Boltamann equation with external field

$$f_{\sigma}(\boldsymbol{p}) = e^{\mu/T} e^{-\gamma(\boldsymbol{p})M/T}.$$

Effective particle mass: $M = M(\sigma) = g\sigma$