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27, 23, 63 GeV.



Fit 4-5 functions to the 2D correlators to extract strengths of near-side peak, momentum conservation,  $v_1$  "dipole",  $v_2$  "quadrupole", etc...



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Dynamical shape fluctuations (and correlations) can be quantified by decomposing the measured distributions onto a basis set of Legendre polynomials, with "strength" coefficients  $\langle a_{mn} \rangle$ 

Rapidity analog of decomposition of azimuthal anistropies onto  $cos(n\phi...)$  bases with strengths  $v_n$ 

Note:  $<a_{(n,m)}>$ ,  $<a_na_m>$ , and  $<a_{mn}>$  are all the same thing... (different people use different nomenclatures)

Relation of correlators to multiplicity cumulants

$$\begin{split} \hline r_{2} &= \frac{\int dy_{1} dy_{2} \ [\rho_{1}(y_{1})\rho_{1}(y_{2})] \ R_{2}(y_{1},y_{2})}{\int dy_{1} dy_{2} \ [\rho_{1}(y_{1})\rho_{1}(y_{2})]} \quad \text{and} \quad K_{2} &= \langle N \rangle + \langle N \rangle^{2} r_{2} \\ R_{2} &= \frac{\rho_{2}(y_{1},y_{2})}{\rho_{1}(y_{1})\rho_{1}(y_{2})} - 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad r_{2} &= \frac{\int dy_{1} dy_{2} \ \rho_{2}(y_{1},y_{2}) - \int dy_{1} dy_{2} \ \rho_{1}(y_{1})\rho_{1}(y_{2})}{\int dy_{1} dy_{2} \ \rho_{1}(y_{1})\rho_{1}(y_{2})} \\ \int dy \ \rho_{1}(y) &= \langle N \rangle \quad r_{2} &= \frac{\int dy_{1} dy_{2} \ \rho_{2}(y_{1},y_{2}) - \int dy_{1} dy_{2} \ \rho_{1}(y_{1})\int dy_{2}\rho_{1}(y_{2})}{\int dy_{1}\rho_{1}(y_{1}) \int dy_{2}\rho_{1}(y_{2})} \\ dy_{1} dy_{2} \ \rho_{2}(y_{1},y_{2}) &= \langle N(N-1) \rangle \quad r_{2} &= \frac{\langle N(N-1) \rangle - \langle N \rangle^{2}}{\langle N \rangle^{2}} \\ K_{2} &= \langle N \rangle + \langle N \rangle^{2} \frac{\langle N(N-1) \rangle - \langle N \rangle^{2}}{\langle N \rangle^{2}} \\ K_{2} &= \langle N \rangle + [\langle N(N-1) \rangle - \langle N \rangle^{2}] \\ K_{2} &= \langle N \rangle + [\langle N^{2} \rangle - \langle N \rangle - \langle N \rangle^{2}] \\ K_{2} &= \langle N^{2} \rangle - \langle N \rangle^{2} \quad (\text{variance}) \end{split}$$

integrals of R<sub>k</sub> give multiplicity cumulants K<sub>k</sub>...  $K_3/K_2=S\sigma$ ,  $K_4/K_2=\kappa\sigma^2$ 

"mixing"  $R_2 = \frac{\rho_2(y_1, y_2)}{\rho_2^{mix}(y_1, y_2)} - 1$ shown at QM2017 (S. Jowzaee) offsets in low multiplicity events new in this talk "convolution"  $R_2 = \frac{\rho_2(y_1, y_2)}{\rho_1(y_1)\rho_1(y_2)} - 1$ multiplicity baseline correction:  $R_2^{baseline} = \frac{\langle N(N-1) \rangle}{\langle N \rangle^2} - 1$ "weighting"  $R_2 = \frac{\rho_2^w(y_1, y_2)}{\rho_1^w(y_1)\rho_2^w(y_2)} - 1$  *e.g.* ALICE arXiv:1612.08975  $\rho_2^w(y_1, y_2)$  filled with weight 1/[n(n-1)] $\rho_1^w(y)$  filled with weight 1/n n = multiplicity in each event

"Weighting" approach works fine for dealing with multiplicity effects but destroys the mathematics of multiplicity cumulants from R<sub>k</sub> integrals
Will concentrate here on existing results from mixing, and new ones from convolution
Note, low multiplicity offsets do not affect <ample and >ample values!



## Turning now to the $\Rightarrow$ data...

Track crossing effects are a pain, standard techniques are applied... (P<sub>T</sub> ordering, reflection)

Denominator from mixing (sampling, *i.e.* QM results) and now convolution

Not yet scaling R<sub>2</sub> by N<sub>part</sub>

Systematic uncertainities for convolution results not yet determined.

Short-range correlations not subtracted...



LHC plots generally smoother - event sample sizes are similar, but the LHC has many more pairs/event.



Datasets:All 8 BES energies200 GeV data from Run-10

- POI:  $h^{\pm}, \pi^{\pm}, K^{\pm}, \& p^{\pm}$ 2 $\sigma$  on dE/dx, then require good TOF m<sup>2</sup> reject electrons
- Cuts: |Zvtx| < 30cm at all  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ Nhitsfit>15 gDCA<2cm  $p_T^{min}$ : 0.2 for h± & K±, 0.4 for p±  $p_T^{max}$ : 2.0  $p^{max}$ : 1.6 for h± & K±, 3.0 for p±
- Centrality:  $N_{tracks}$  with 0.5< $|\eta|$ <1 for h± & K±  $N_{\pi,K}$  with -1< $\eta$ <1 for p±

Cuts & centrality intentionally very close to those used in recent  $\approx$  multiplicity cumulant analyses.

Detailed "bad run" and "bad event in good run" QA





R2( $\Delta$ y) for LS pions vs.  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ , 0-5% central, convolution & mixing





R2( $\Delta y$ ) for LS protons vs.  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ , 0-5% central, convolution & mixing





R2( $\Delta y, \Delta \phi$ ) for LS pions vs.  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ , 0-5% central, convolution





R2( $\Delta y$ ) for LS pions vs.  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ , 0-5% central, convolution,  $\Delta \phi$  regions



R2( $\Delta y$ ) for LS pions vs.  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ , comparison of mixing and convolution





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Like-sign protons and pions



(SRC not subtracted)



proton anticorrelation for  $\Delta y \sim 0$ , beam energy dependence in pion correlations



## A first comparison to model calculations from B. Schenke & C. Shen



Just starting these comparisons. We would love to collaborate with others too! Most interested in particles alone (not net-particles), 0-5% central...



Trying to understand the  $\Delta \varphi$ -ridge reported at QM2017...

Recall: effect is beam energy localized, charge independent, & pions only Appears when TOF PID is required. R<sub>2</sub> much larger and has no  $\Delta \phi$ -ridge for dE/dx PID TOF PID cleaner, and guarantees tracks are from the triggered crossing.

Not arising from specific Zvtx range, nor in some chronological section of the data Seen in three completely independent analyses

Electrons? No, very few per event. Rejecting them makes no difference.

Bug in track crossing correction? No.

skip crossing correction, & compare three tracking codes: Sti, StiCA, StiHR-...

Seen at 19.6 GeV, less so at 27 GeV, both runs taken in same RHIC run (2011)... No

Was using Run-10 data at 200 GeV. Check 200 GeV data from Run-11:



We are still investigating it – Still too early to ascribe "physics" to this  $\Delta \varphi$ -ridge.



Rapidity correlation variables  $R_2$  and  $C_N$  studied for LS and US pions and protons as function of  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ 

 $C_N$  decomposed using basis set of Legendre polynomials to quantify the importance of different shaped (anti)correlations.

This approach is the analog in the rapidity direction of quantifying azimuthal anistropies with  $v_n$  observables.

Consistent results from two separate approaches (mixing, convolution) from two completely independent codes.

Two proton anticorrelations at  $\Delta y \sim 0$  (a<sub>11</sub><0). Beam energy independent.

Significant beam energy dependence of two-pion correlations. Appears as a ridge at small  $\Delta y$  and extended in  $\Delta \phi$ ... (19.6-27 GeV,  $\pi$  only, charge independent) Still investigating if this is experimental or physical.

First comparison of  $\langle a_{mn} \rangle$  in STAR BES data to viscous hydrodynamics. Basic trends of  $\langle a_{mn} \rangle$  values vs. (m,n) in data and theory are similar



# **BACKUP SLIDES**



Like-sign protons and pions



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 $[T_2(y_1)T_4(y_2) + T_4(y_1)T_2(y_2)]/2$ 





R<sub>k</sub>

PHYSICAL REVIEW A	<b>VOLUME 43, NUMBER 6</b>	15 MARCH 1991
Structure of correlation functions		
P. Carruthers Department of Physics, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona 85721 (Received 9 October 1990)		
$C_2(x_1, x_2) = \rho_2(x_1, x_2) - \rho_1(x_1)\rho_1(x_2) ,$		
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See also: L. Foà, Phys. Lett. C22, 1 (1975) H. Bøggild, Ann. Rev. Nucl. Sci. 24, 451 (1974) M. Jacob, Phys. Rep. 315, 7 (1999)

Lower-order correlations explicitly removed.

 $R_k$  is just these rapidity cumulants  $C_k$  scaled by the number of pairs, triplets, quadruplets, ...  $R_k$  thus manifestly independent of experimental inefficiencies by definition...

R<sub>2</sub> baseline: 
$$R_3 = \frac{\langle n(n-1) \rangle}{\langle n \rangle^2} - 1$$
 R<sub>3</sub> baseline:  $R_3 = \frac{\langle n(n-1)(n-2) \rangle}{\langle n \rangle^3} - 3\frac{\langle n(n-1) \rangle}{\langle n \rangle^3} \langle n \rangle + 2$ 

Robust indicator of N-fold (anti)correlations, explicitly as a function of  $\Delta y$  and  $\langle y \rangle$ ... By construction, independent of single-particle inefficiencies...





#### Zvtx averaging



Caused by rapidity dependence of experimental efficiency coupled with Zvtx smearing... See L. Tarini, Ph.D. Thesis, and his talk at the STAR Analysis Meeting, MIT, 7/10/2009



Analyze in 2cm-wide Zvtx bins then weight-average the results...





Slightly reduced efficiency for nearby tracks...

Very strong trench in R<sub>2</sub> when particle multiplicities/event of POI get large: h± for all centralities and  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ , and only most central for K±

Numerator and denominator of  $R_2 \& C_N$  uses only measured tracks... but there is a slight 2-particle efficiency loss when two tracks are nearby ( $\Delta y \sim 0$ )







Image from P. Pujahari

LS & US: reflect clean area in  $\Delta \phi$  to replace problem area

US: nothing special in fill method

LS: pT order the tracks, fill numerator for upper triangle only, then symmetrize



Track crossing correction, Binning, and math artifacts on  $\langle a_{mn} \rangle$ 

The cut used is  $|\Delta y| < 0.04$  and  $-5\pi/12 \le \Delta \phi < 0$ 

Given this cut, I cannot bin the (y1,y2) parts of the TH3D too finely! (or there will never be any counts in the  $\Delta y=0$  bins) Rapidity bin width must be near or larger than 2\*0.04...







Fixed perfectly by integrating  $T_n(y)$  over the bin

