

RHIC-BES online seminar

Theoretical overview on both chirality and vorticity

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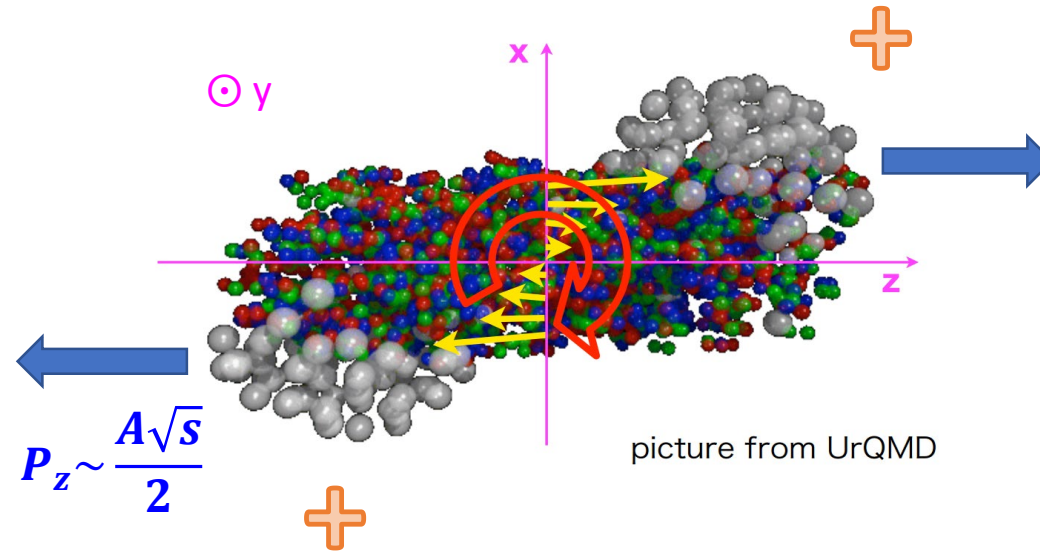
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- Introduction: vorticity and magnetic field
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- Realistic evolution of magnetic field
- Deep-learning assisted CME search
- Global spin polarization of Λ and Ξ and Ω
- Puzzles in local spin polarization and spin alignment
- Summary

Introduction: B and ω in heavy-ion collisions

Vorticity and magnetic field in heavy-ion collisions



$$L_0 \sim \frac{Ab\sqrt{s}}{2} \sim 10^6 \hbar$$

Global angular momentum

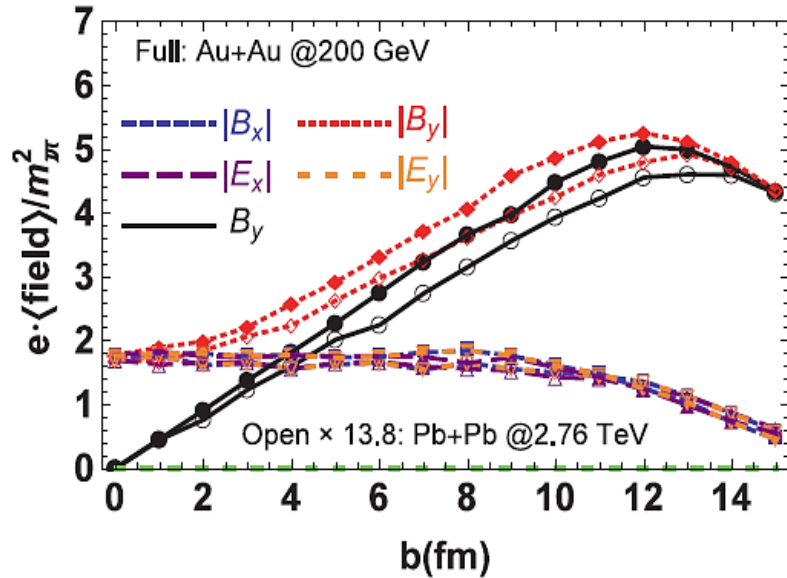
$$eB \sim \gamma \alpha_{\text{EM}} \frac{z}{b^2} \sim 10^{18} \text{ G}$$

Strong magnetic field

(RHIC Au+Au 200 GeV, $b=10$ fm)

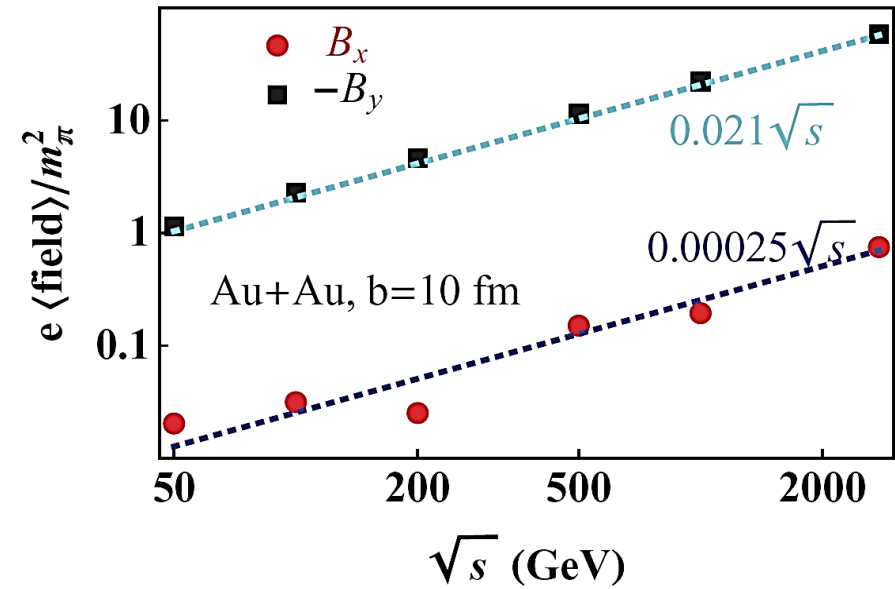
Initial magnetic field

Centrality dependence



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 (Deng-XGH PRC2012)

Energy dependence



- Strongest magnetic field $\langle |B_y| \rangle \sim 10^{18-20} G$

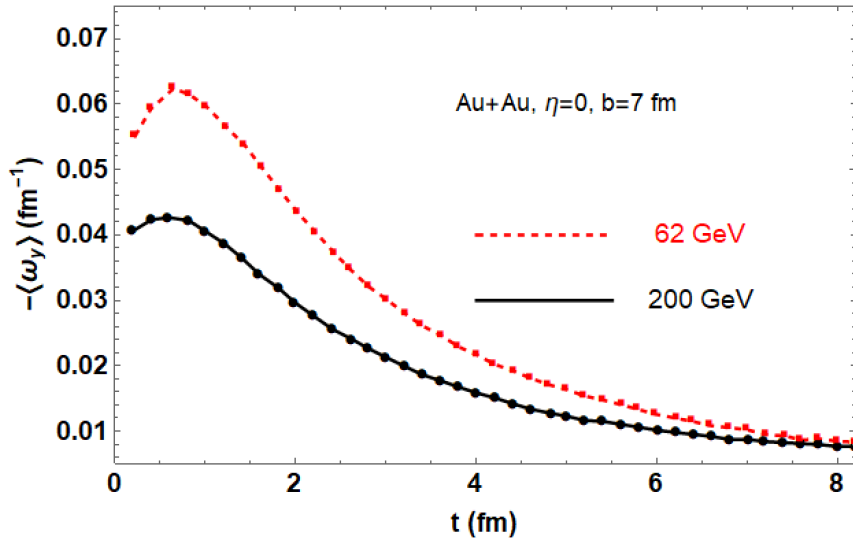
- Unknown: realistic time evolution



(Many similar calculations, e.g.: Skokov-Illarionov-Toneev 2009, Voronyuk et al 2011, Bzdak-Skokov 2011, Błoczyński et al 2012, Tuchin 2013, Feng et al 2013, Ma et al 2018,)

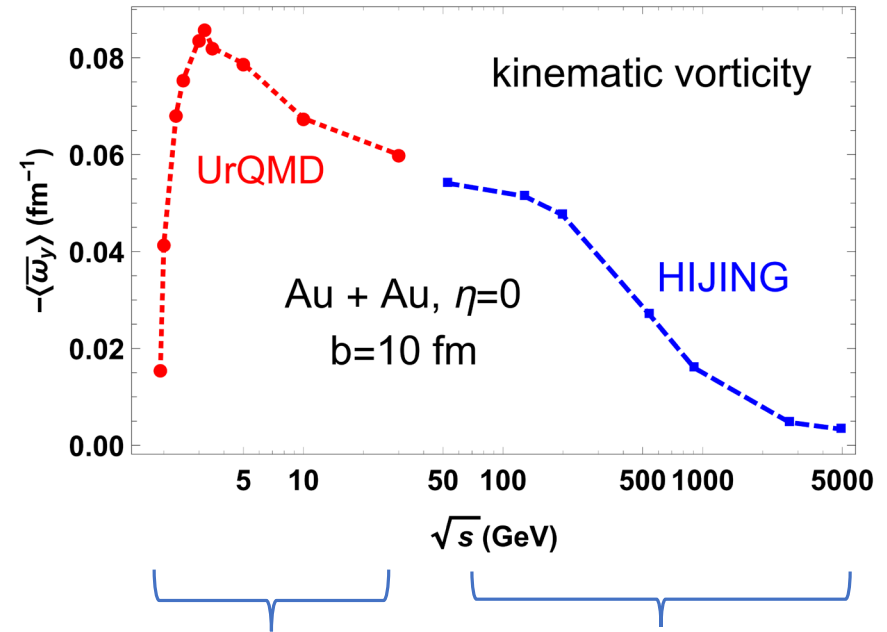
Vorticity by global angular momentum

Time dependence



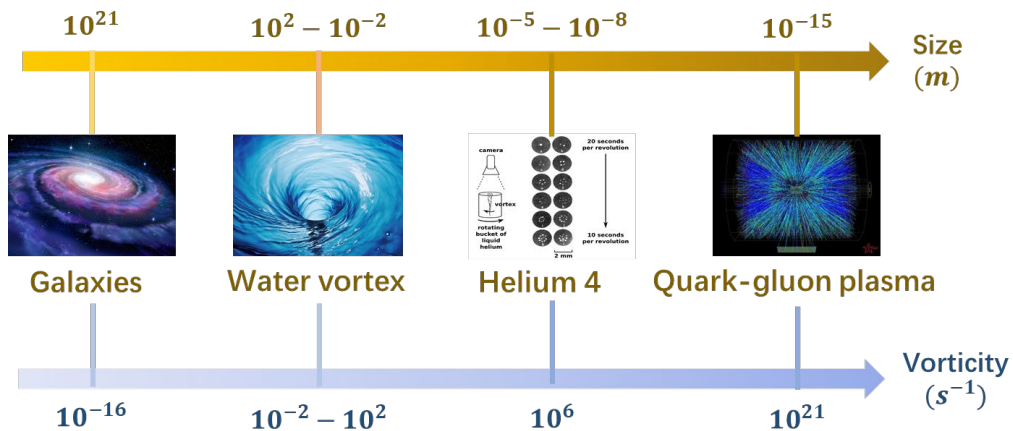
AMPT (Jiang-Lin-Liao PRC2016)

Energy dependence



Deng-XGH-Ma-Zhang PRC2020

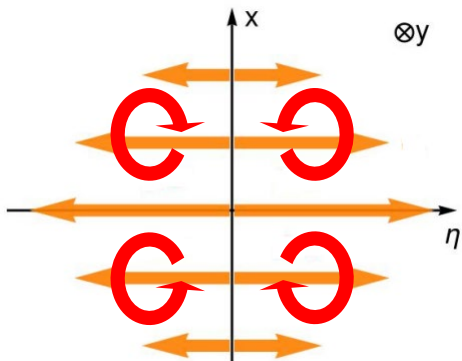
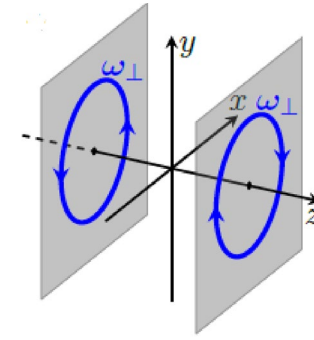
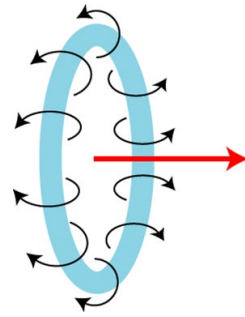
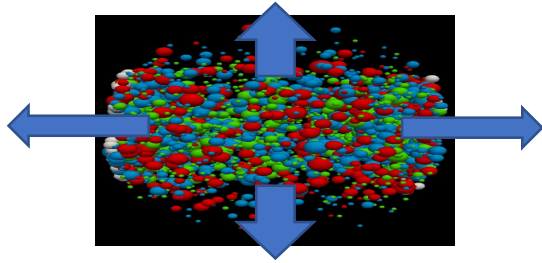
Deng-XGH PRC2016



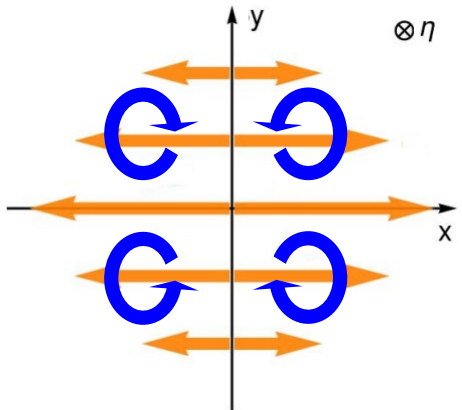
- **Most vortical fluid** $\langle|\omega_y|\rangle \sim 10^{21} \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Relativistic suppression at high energy

(See also: Becattini et al EPJC2015, Csernai et al PRC2013, PRC2014, Ivanov et al PRC2017, PRC2019,)

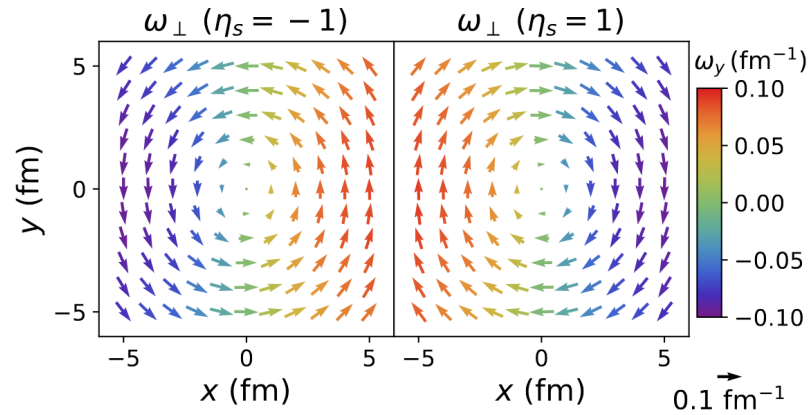
Vorticity by inhomogeneous expansion



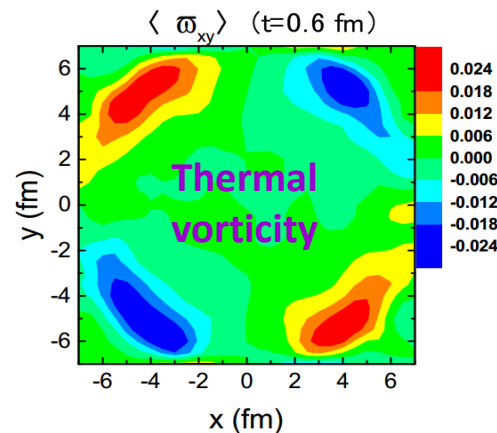
Transverse



Longitudinal



Xia-Li-Wang PRC2017

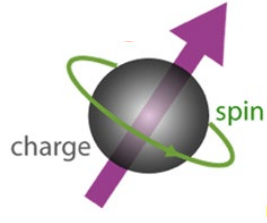


Wei-Deng-XGH PRC2019

(See also: Karpenko-Becattini EPJC2017, Csernai etal PRC2014, Teryaev-Usubov PRC2015, Ivanov-Soldatov PRC2018,)

Effect of B and ω : Spin polarization

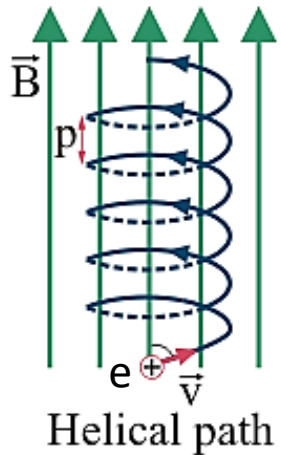
- A charged fermion in B and ω fields: **At rest**



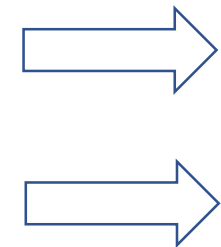
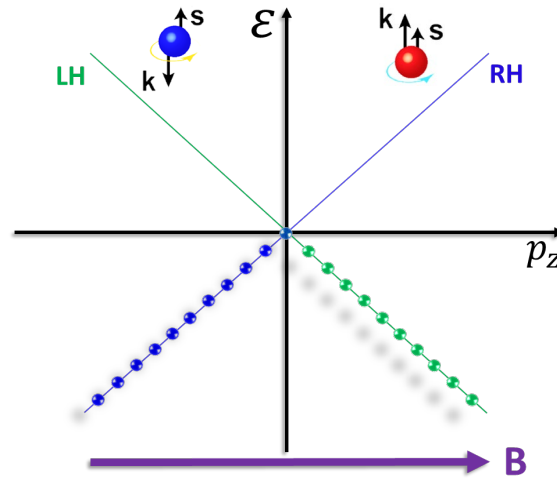
$$H = -\mu_B \cdot B - S \cdot \omega$$

Spin polarization

- A charged fermion in B and ω fields: **At motion**



$$n = 0$$



Chiral anomaly

Chiral magnetic effect

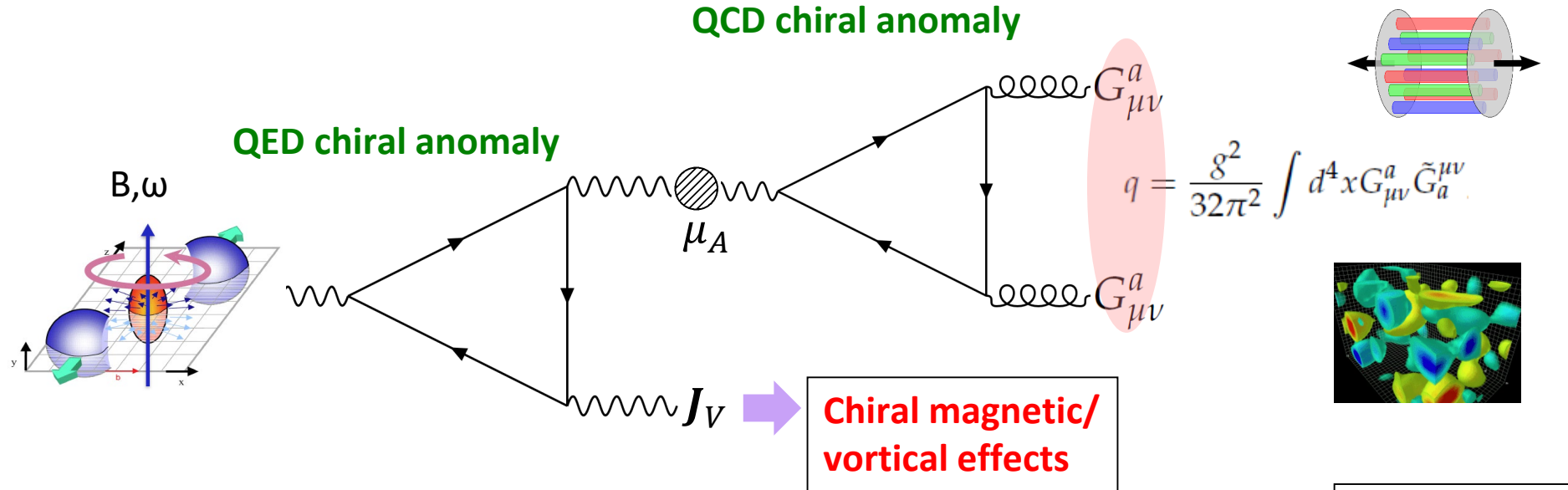
$$E_n^2 = p_z^2 + 2neB$$

$$J_V = J_R + J_L = \frac{eB}{2\pi^2} \mu_A$$

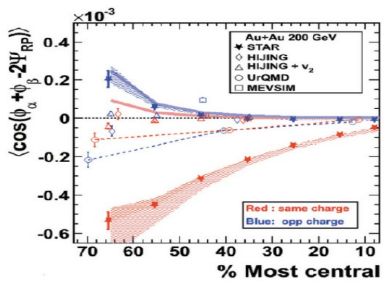
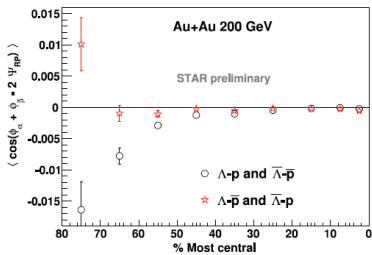
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The CME and isobar

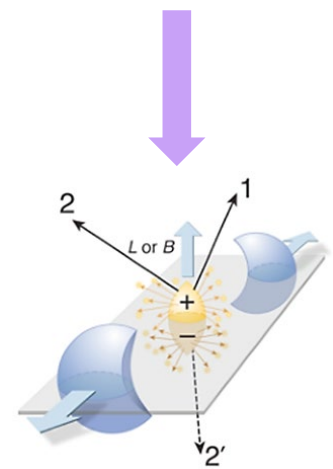
Probe QCD topological sector



Initial state topological fluctuations



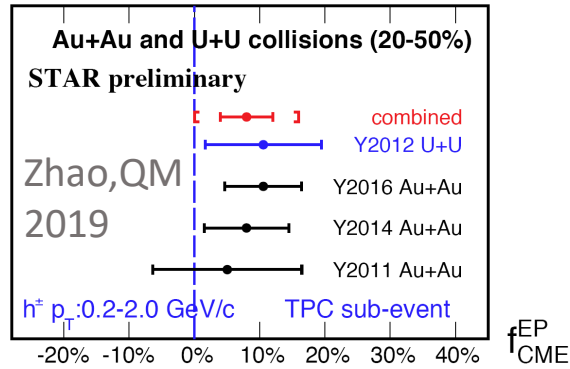
Observable:
e.g. γ -correlator
(Voloshin 2004)



(STAR 2009, 2014)

Difficulties in observing CME

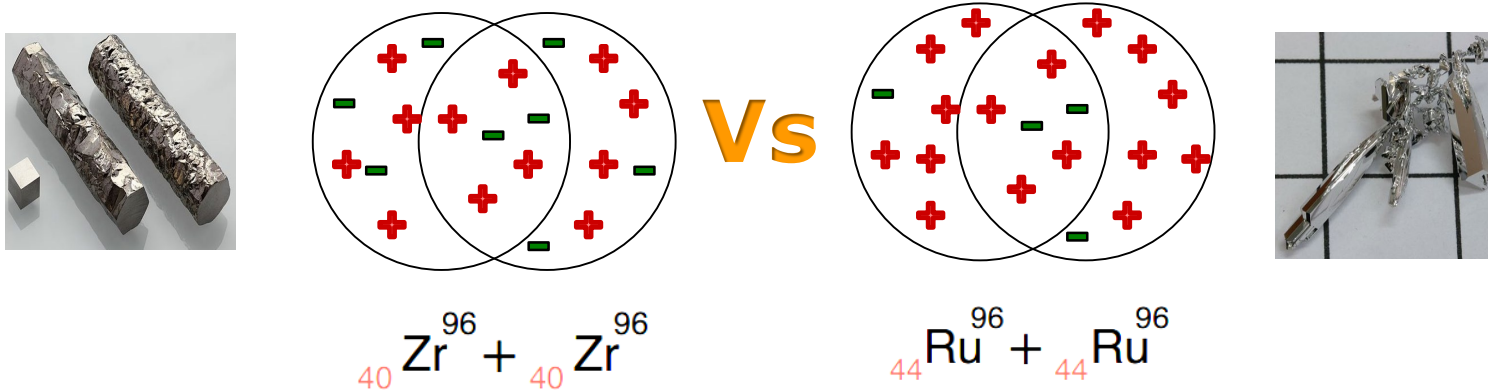
- Small signal versus big elliptic-flow related backgrounds



Averaged CME fraction = $(8 \pm 4 \pm 8)\%$

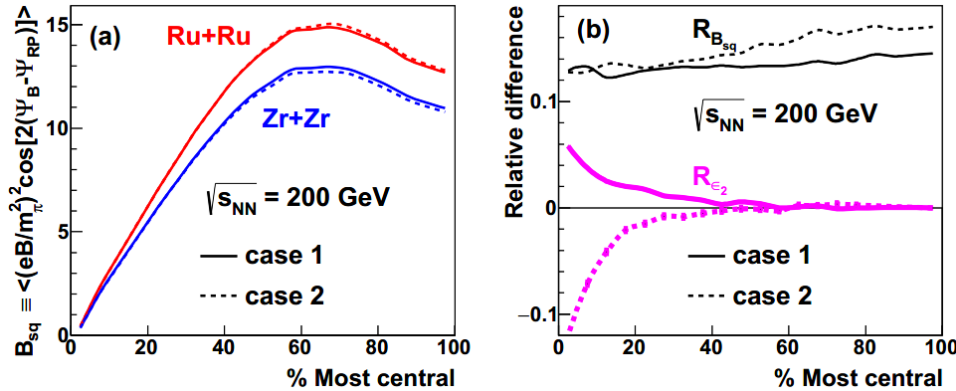
One eccentric geometry gives two outcomes, B field and v_2 . **Difficult to disentangle them.**

- Isobar collisions: fix v_2 but vary B field



Difficulties in observing CME

- Isobar collisions: fix v_2 but vary B field



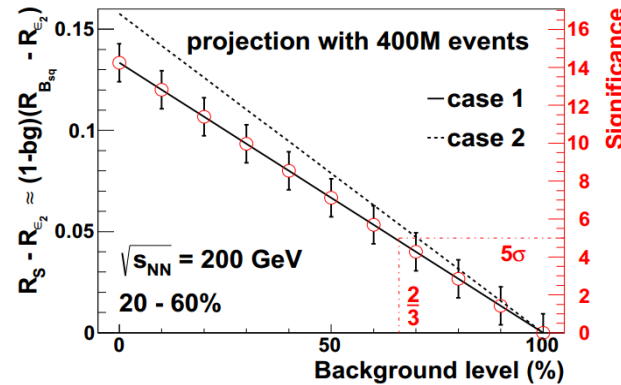
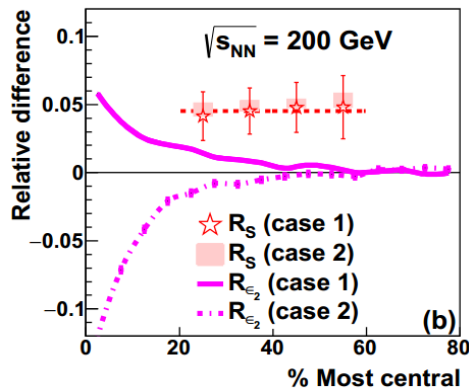
Relative difference $R=2(Ru-Zr)/(Ru+Zr)$

Centrality 20-60%:

sizable R for B: $R_{B_{sq}} \sim 10 - 20\%$

small R for eccentricity: $R_{\epsilon_2} < 2\%$

- Signal versus background level



RHIC first run 2018 produces 3B events.
 If bg level = 88%, signal significance = 5σ
 If bg level = 93%, signal significance = 3σ

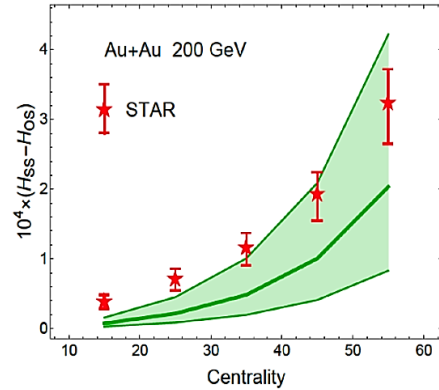
If background level = 67 %, 400M events give 5σ signal

(Deng-XGH-Ma-Wang 2016, 2018)

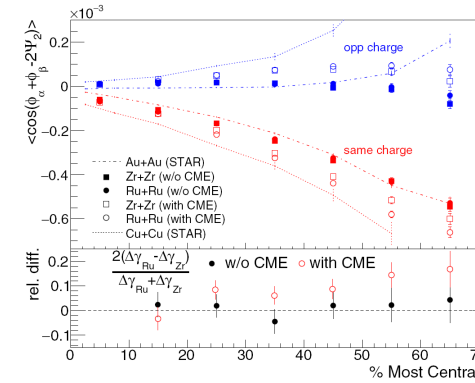
Evolution of B field

Difficulties in quantifying CME

- Quantifying CME in theory: hydrodynamic and transport models



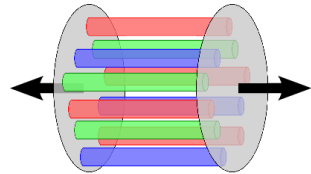
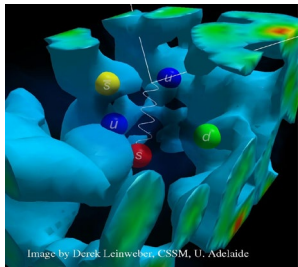
(AVFD: Liao et al 2018, 2019)



(AMPT: Ma-Zhang 2011; Deng-XGH-Ma-Wang 2018)

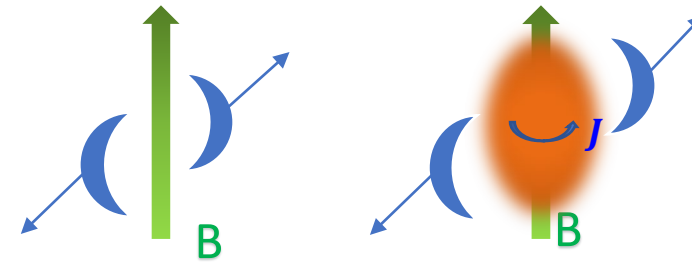
- Main theoretical uncertainties:

Initial axial charges



(Early attempts: Muller- Schlichting-Sharma 2016, Ruggieri et al 2019)

Realistic evolution of B field



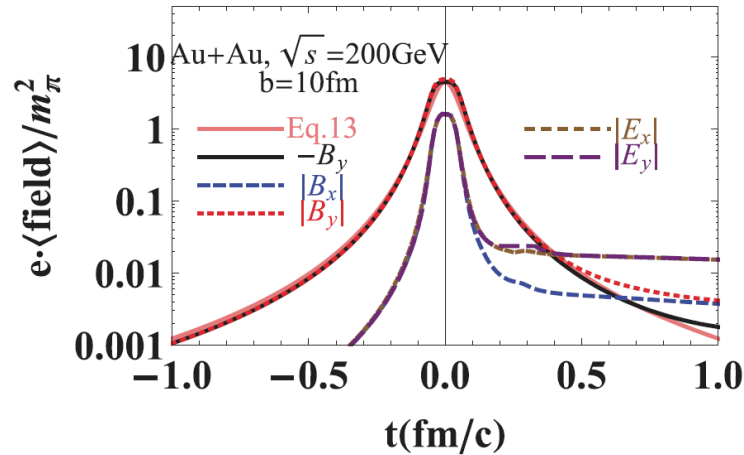
In vacuum:
moving charges

In conductor:
Faraday effect

Realistic evolution of B field

- If quark-gluon matter is insulating

(Deng-XGH 2012; Hattori-XGH 2016; and many others)



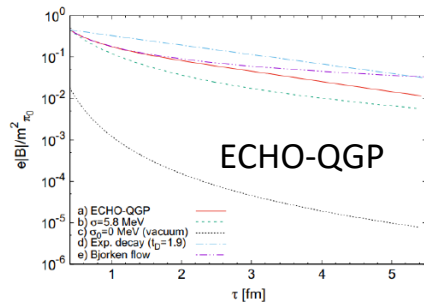
Well fitted by

$$\langle eB_y(t) \rangle \approx \frac{\langle eB_y(0) \rangle}{(1 + t^2/t_B^2)^{3/2}}$$

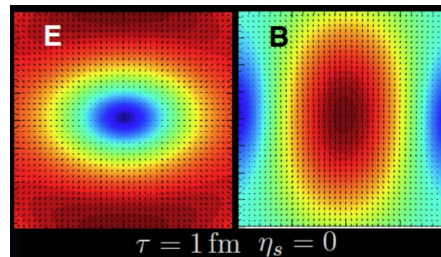
Life time of B field

$$t_B \approx R_A/(\gamma v_z) \approx \frac{2m_N}{\sqrt{s}} R_A$$

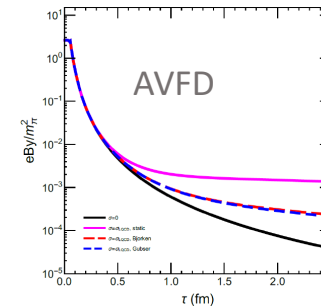
- In hydro stage: couple Maxwell with hydro equations



(Inghirami etal 2016)



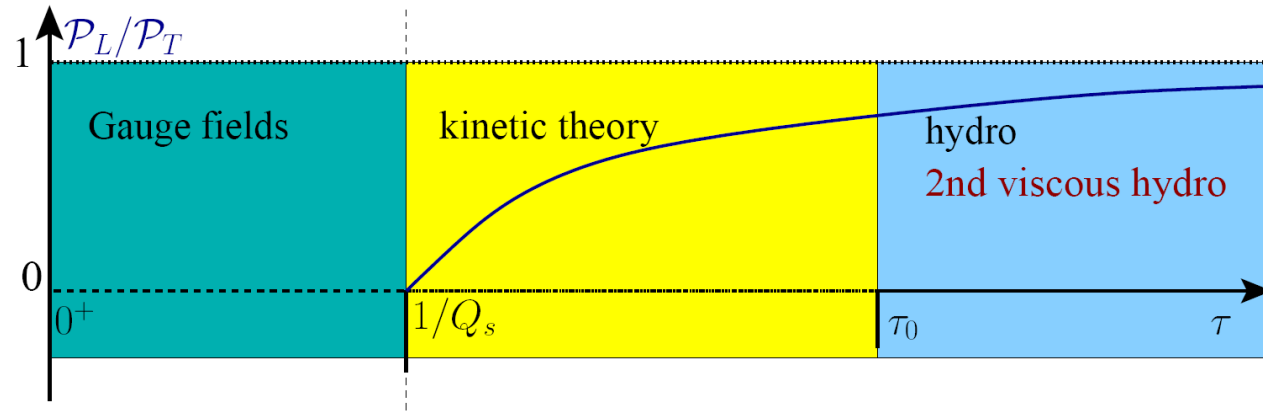
(Gursoy-Kharzeev-Rajagopal-Shen 2018)



(Huang-Kharzeev-Liao-Shi-She 2020)

Realistic evolution of B field

- But what is the pre-hydro evolution and the IC for hydro?



- We study the pre-hydro evolution for $t \sim Q_s^{-1} - \tau_0$ by solving coupled Maxwell and Boltzmann equations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [p^\mu \partial_\mu + eQ_a p_\mu F^{\mu\nu} \partial_{p^\nu}] f_a(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}) = \mathcal{C}[f_a] \quad a = q, \bar{q}, g \\ \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = j^\nu \\ j^\mu = e \sum_F Q_F S_F \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3 E_p} p^\mu (f_q^F - f_{\bar{q}}^F) \end{array} \right.$$

Initial condition for EM field: moving colliding nuclei in vacuum

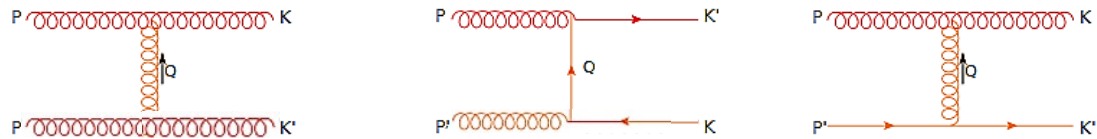
Initial condition for q and g: CGC inspired distribution (Blaizot-Wu-Yan 2014)

Realistic evolution of B field

- For the collision kernel: 2-2 processes

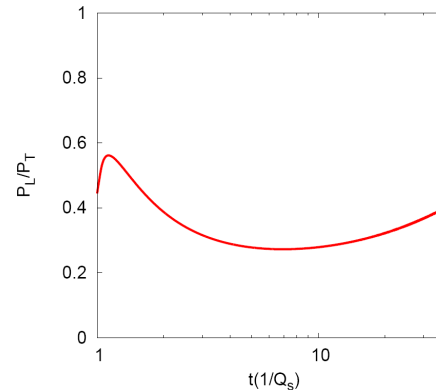
$$\begin{aligned}
 C[f_{\mathbf{p}}^a] = & \frac{1}{2E_p \nu_a} \sum_{b,c,d} \frac{1}{s_{cd}} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{p}'}{(2\pi)^3 2E_{\mathbf{p}'}} \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3 2E_{\mathbf{k}}} \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}'}{(2\pi)^3 2E_{\mathbf{k}'}} \\
 & \times (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(P + P' - K - K') |\mathcal{M}_{cd}^{ab}|^2 \\
 & \times [f_{\mathbf{k}}^c f_{\mathbf{k}'}^d (1 + \epsilon_a f_{\mathbf{p}}^a) (1 + \epsilon_b f_{\mathbf{p}'}^b) - f_{\mathbf{p}}^a f_{\mathbf{p}'}^b (1 + \epsilon_c f_{\mathbf{k}}^c) (1 + \epsilon_d f_{\mathbf{k}'}^d)]
 \end{aligned}$$

$|\mathcal{M}|^2 \ni gg \leftrightarrow q\bar{q}, gq \leftrightarrow gq, g\bar{q} \leftrightarrow g\bar{q}, gg \leftrightarrow gg$



Plus s, u channels

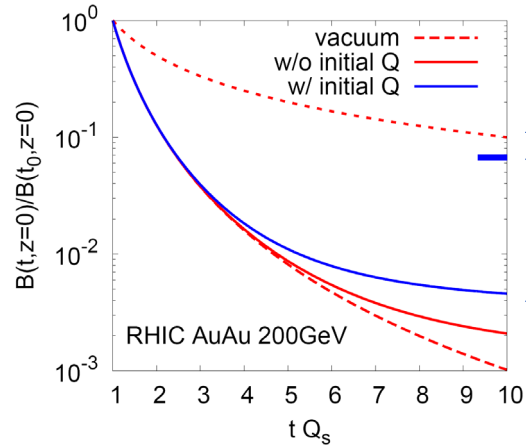
Under 2-2 scattering, the system evolves towards hydrodynamization



(Yan-XGH to appear)

Realistic evolution of B field

- The B field (In case of Bjorken longitudinal expansion)

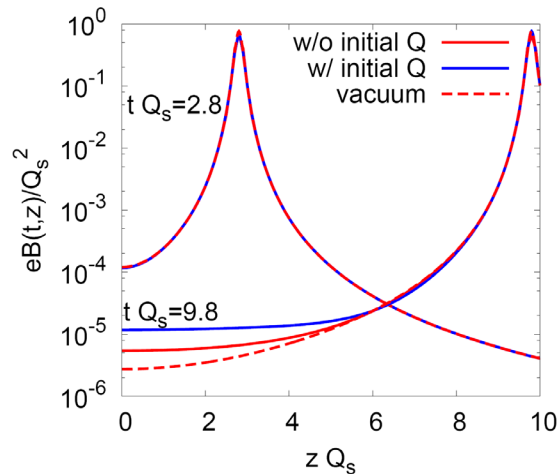


← Ideal Bjorken MHD (Roy-Pu-Rezzola-Rischke 2015)

← ECHO-QGP (Inghirami et al 2016)

← Coupled Maxwell-Boltzmann equation
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- Longitudinal distribution of B field

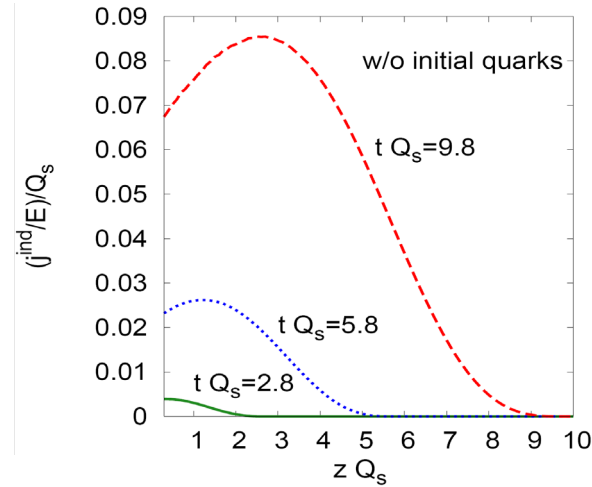
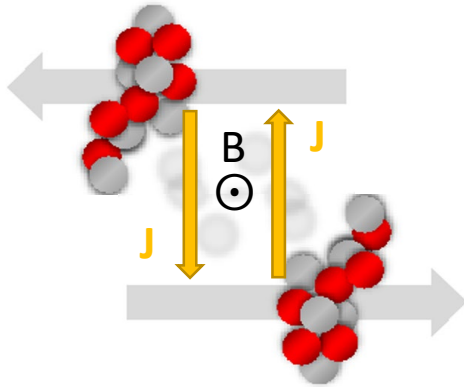


Background = B field
by moving nucleus

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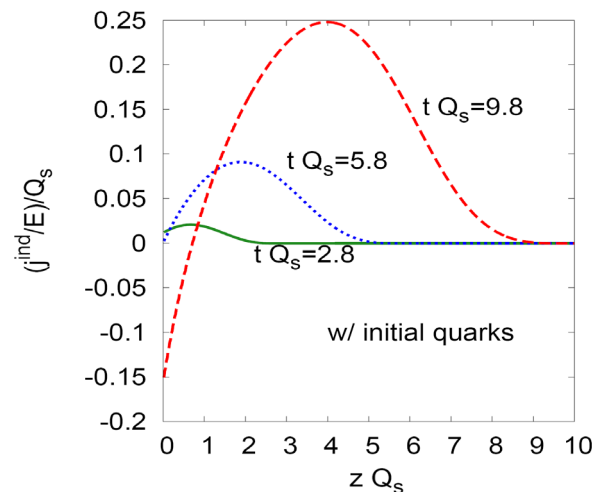
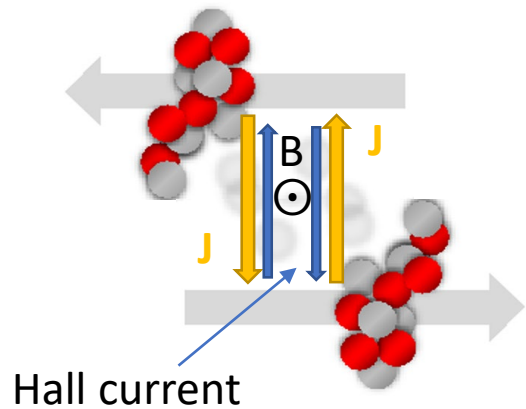
Realistic evolution of B field

- The induced Faraday current



Large effective conductivity
(comparable to LQCD at $tQ_s=9.8$)

- If put more charge carriers

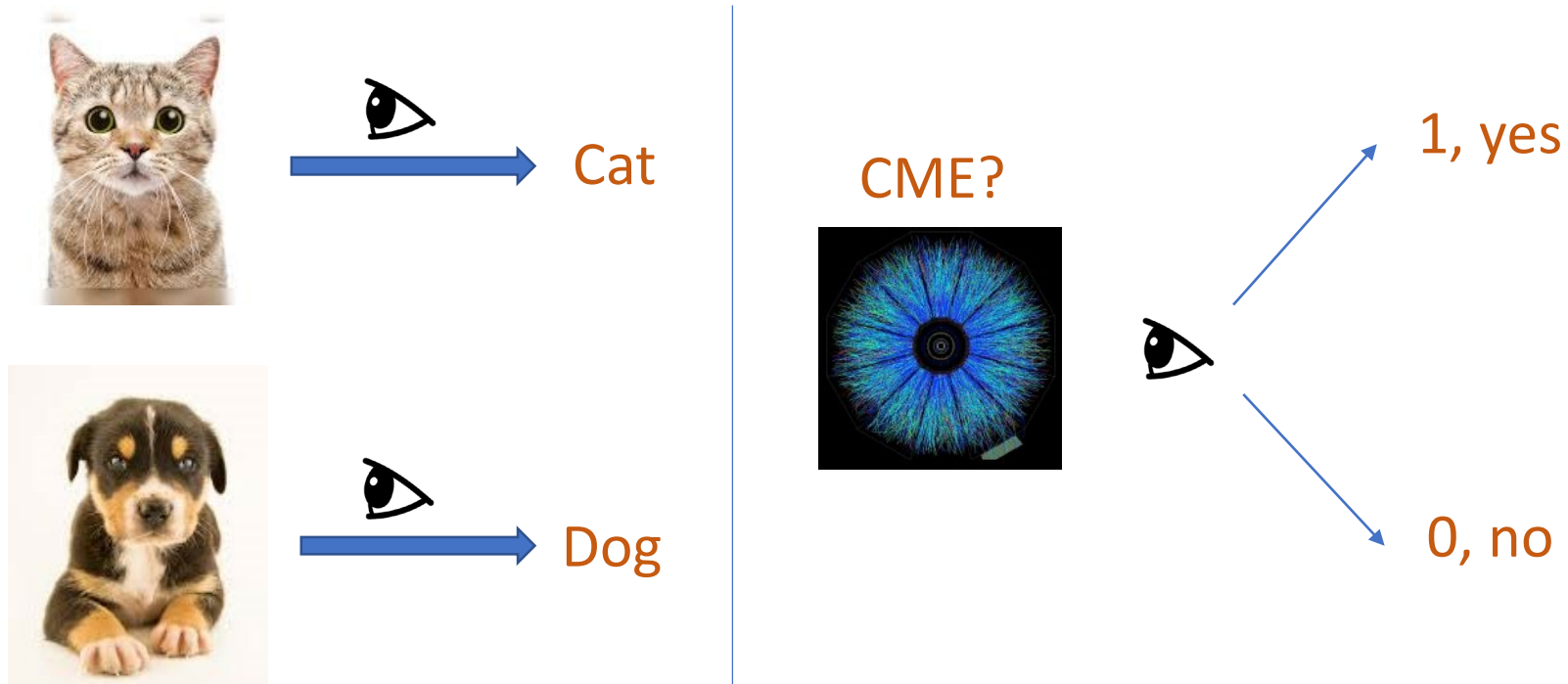


Direction of current near mid-rapidity
depends on quark-production rate
thus may depends on energy

Deep-learning and CME search

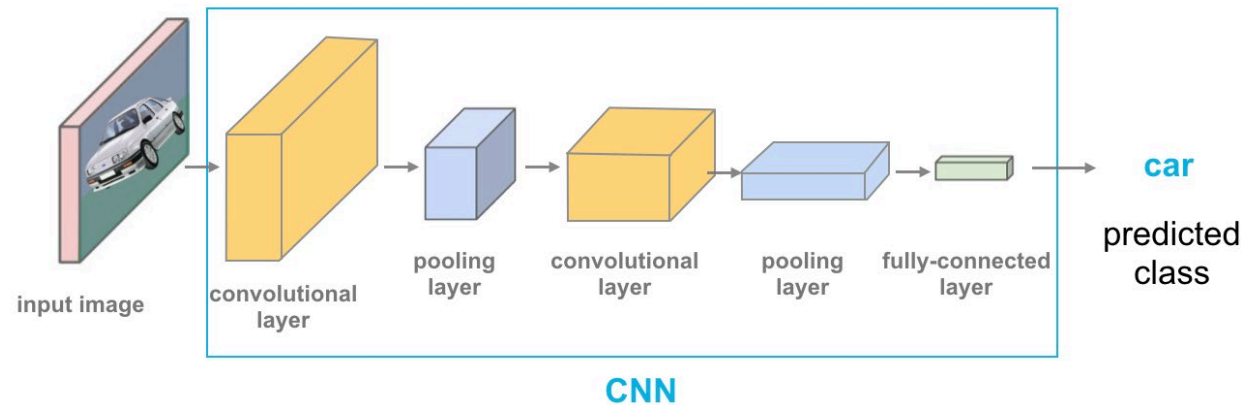
Deep-learning assisted CME search

- Recall the main challenge of CME search:
Find a way to disentangle signal and elliptic-flow backgrounds
- Any designed observable is based on hadron distribution in momentum space.
Why don't we just look at the distribution itself?

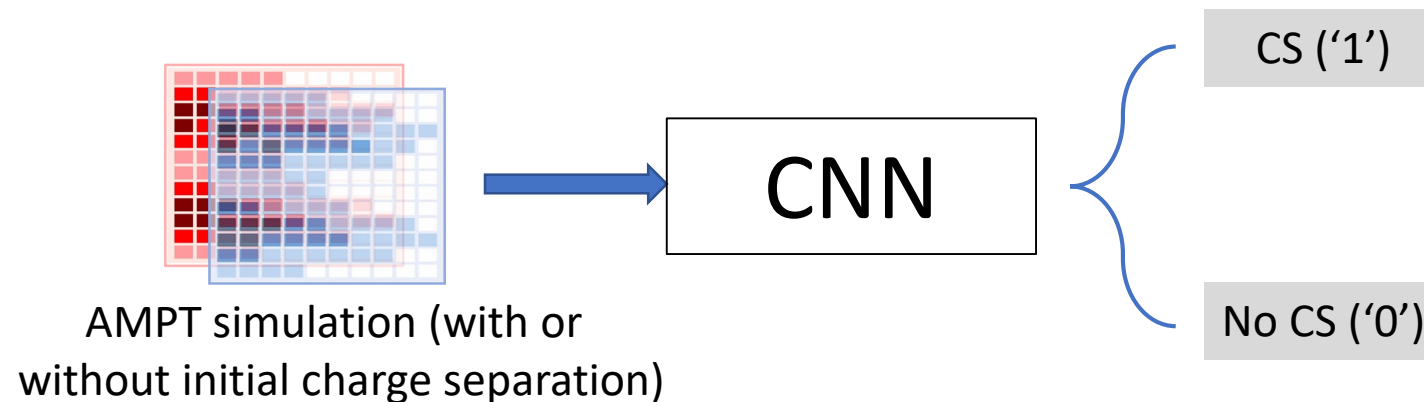


Deep-learning assisted CME search

- We train a machine to recognize initial charge separation (mimicking CME):
Supervised learning
- We use Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) : good at pattern recognition of figures.



In our case: input = π^\pm with $|Y| < 1$ projected on (p_x, p_y) -plane generated by AMPT



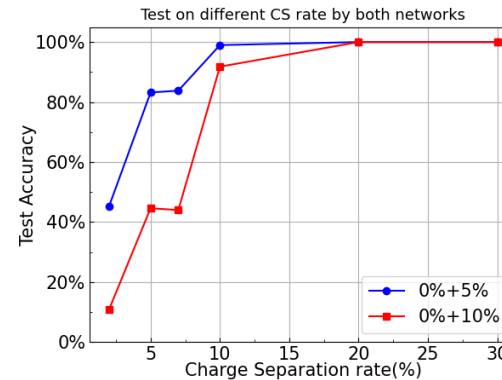
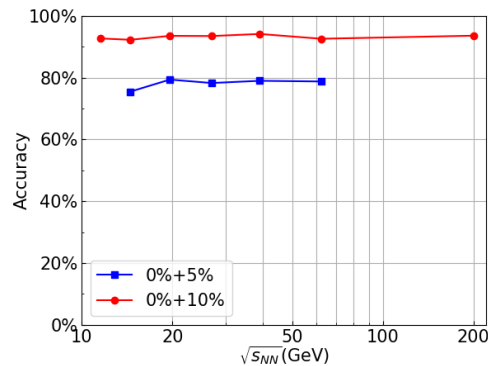
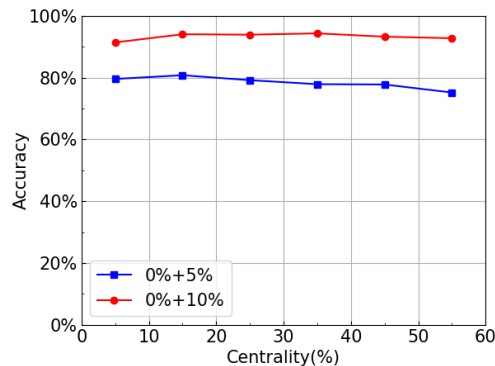
Deep-learning assisted CME search

- Training set: 50000 events for each centrality and energy in blue

f		$\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ (GeV)						
		11.5	14.5	19.6	27	39	62.4	200
Centrality	0-10							
	10-20							
	20-30							
	30-40							
	40-50							
	50-60							

f = initial charge separation (CS) fraction
 $f = 0$: No CME, Label '0'
 $f = 5\%$ and 10% : With CME, Label '1'

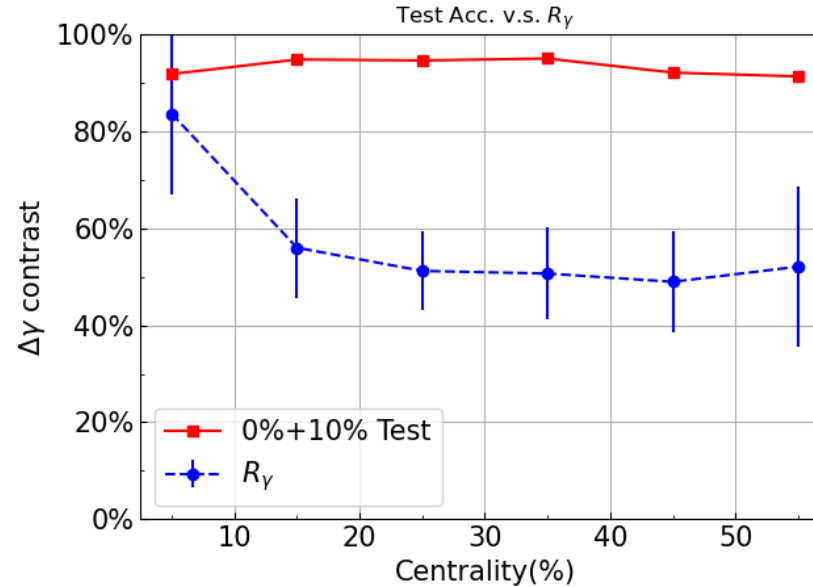
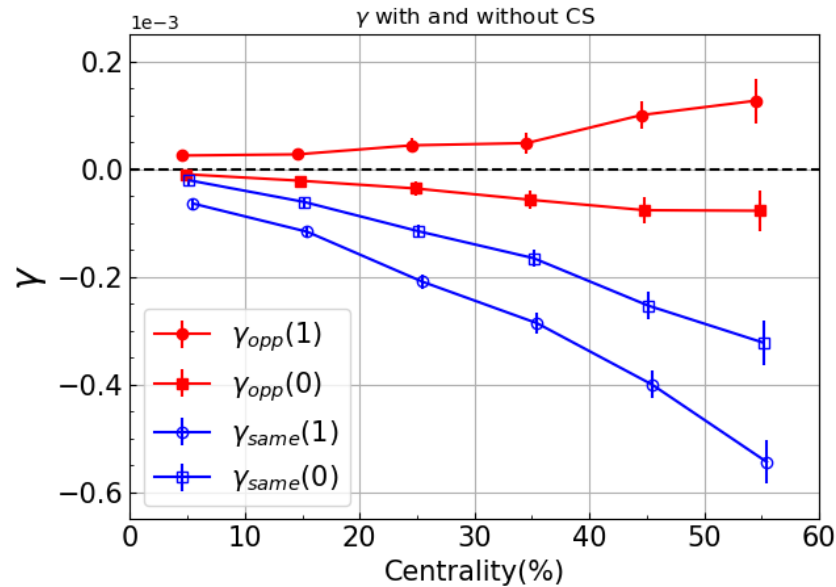
- Test set: All centrality and energy region in the above
- Robust, insensitive to centrality and energy. The machine learns key feature of charge separation.



(Zhao-Zhou-XGH to appear)

Deep-learning assisted CME search

- Test: Comparing to γ -correlator with 10% charge separation (CS)



$$\gamma_{same} = \left\langle \cos \left(\phi_\alpha^{(\pm)} + \phi_\beta^{(\pm)} - 2\Phi_R \right) \right\rangle$$

$$\gamma_{opp} = \left\langle \cos \left(\phi_\alpha^{(\pm)} + \phi_\beta^{(\mp)} - 2\Phi_R \right) \right\rangle$$

$$\Delta\gamma = \gamma_{opp} - \gamma_{same}$$

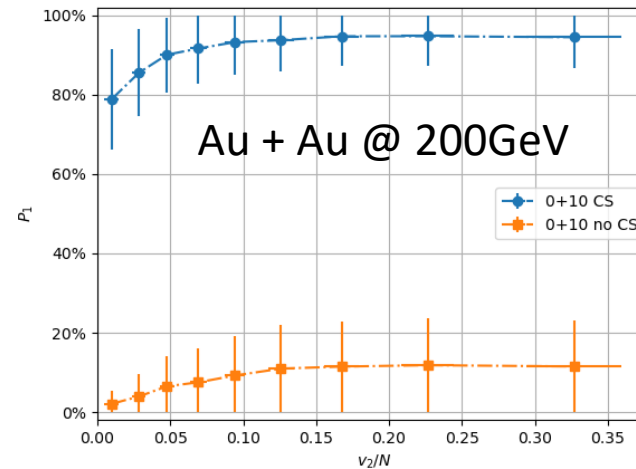
$$R_\gamma = \left| \frac{\langle \Delta\gamma(1) \rangle - \langle \Delta\gamma(0) \rangle}{\langle \Delta\gamma(1) \rangle + \langle \Delta\gamma(0) \rangle} \right|$$

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Deep-learning assisted CME search

- Test: dependence of elliptic flow (Not sensitive to elliptic-flow background)

- $P_1 = \text{accuracy}$



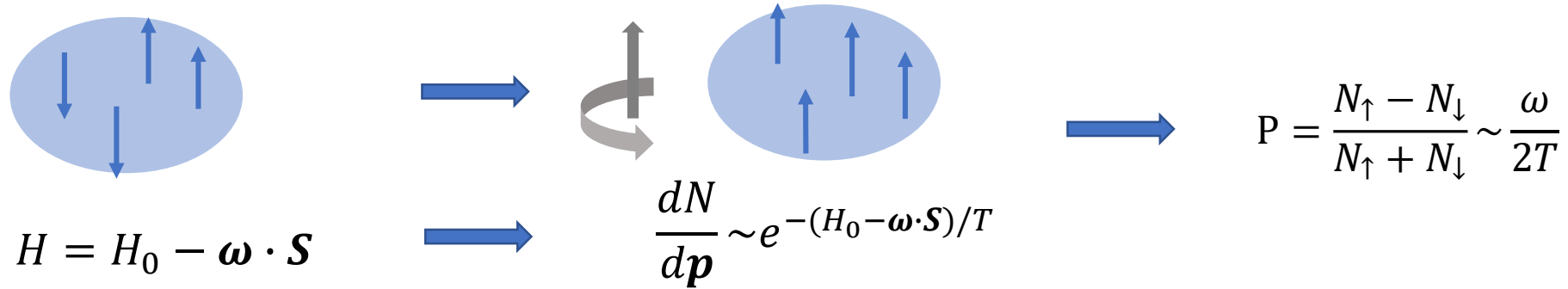
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- Future: Further optimize the machine.
Understand what the feature the machine learns.
Can be applied to real data?
Isobar results?
Train a machine for chiral magnetic wave search.

Spin polarization of hyperons

Spin polarization and thermal vorticity

- Early idea: Liang-Wang PRL2005; Voloshin 2004
- Vorticity interpretation (at thermal equilibrium)



- More rigorous derivation (Becattini et al 2013; Fang et al 2016; Liu et al 2020)

$$P^{\mu}(p) = \frac{1}{4E_p} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_{\nu} \frac{\int d\Sigma_{\lambda} p^{\lambda} f'(x, p) \varpi_{\rho\sigma}(x)}{\int d\Sigma_{\lambda} p^{\lambda} f(x, p)} + O(\varpi^2)$$

- Valid at **global equilibrium**. $f(x, p)$ is the distribution function (Fermi-Dirac)
- Thermal vorticity $\varpi_{\rho\sigma} = (\partial_{\sigma}\beta_{\rho} - \partial_{\rho}\beta_{\sigma})/2$
- Spin polarization is enslaved to thermal vorticity, not dynamical
- Friendly for numerical simulation (a spin Cooper-Frye type formula)

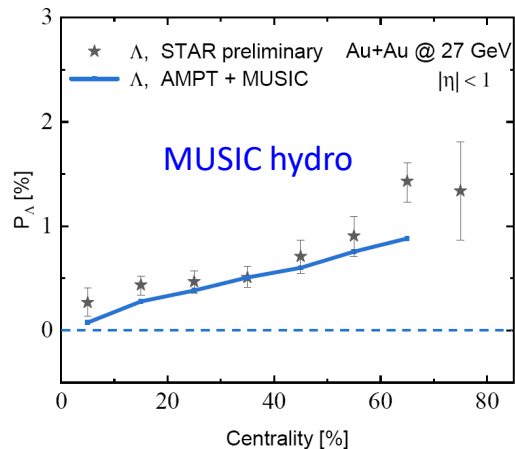
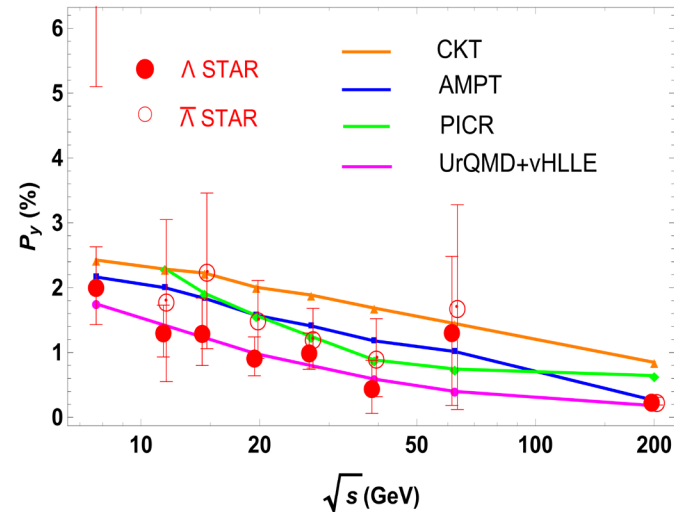
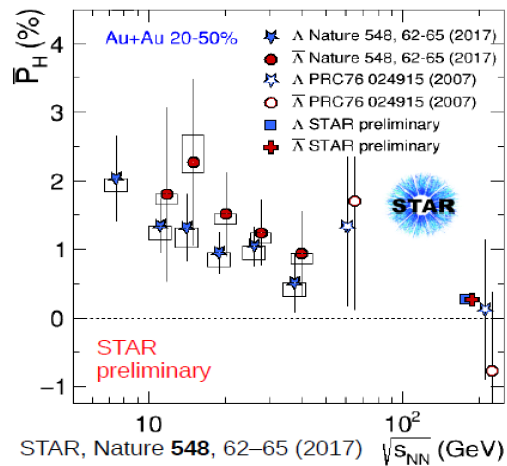
Global Λ spin polarization

- The global polarization (i.e., integrated polarization over kinematics):

Experiment

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Theory



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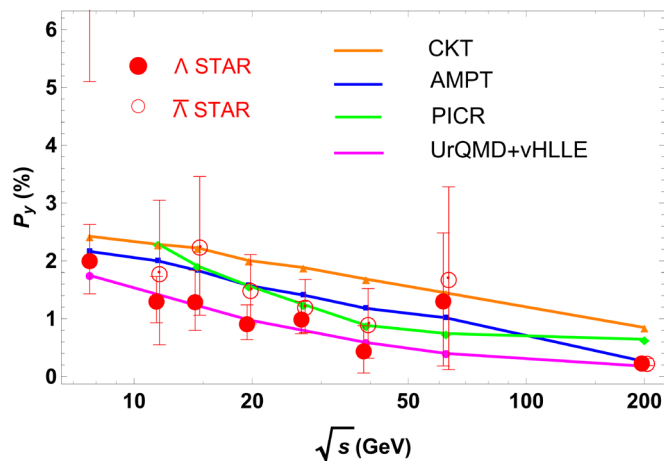
Sun-Ko PRC2017; Wei-Deng-XGH PRC2019; Xie-Wang-Csernai PRC2017; Karpenko-Becattini EPJC2016

(Many similar results in literature)

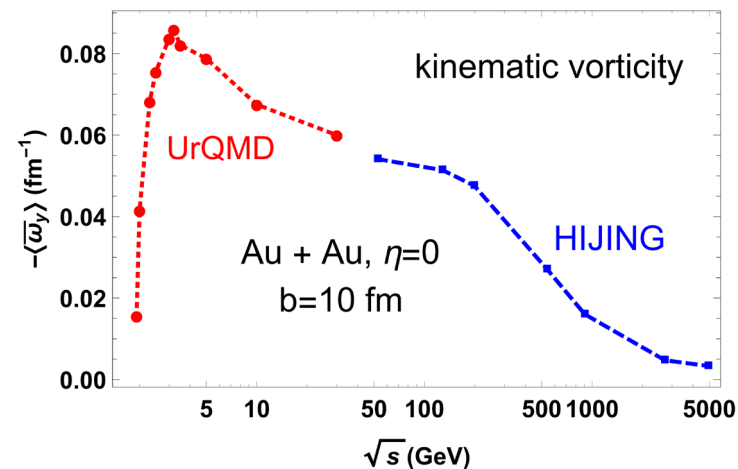
Vorticity interpretation of global Λ polarization works well!

Global Λ spin polarization

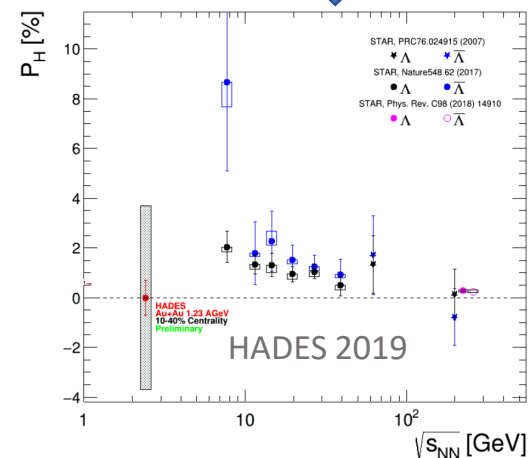
- The global polarization: **Experiment = Theory**



VS



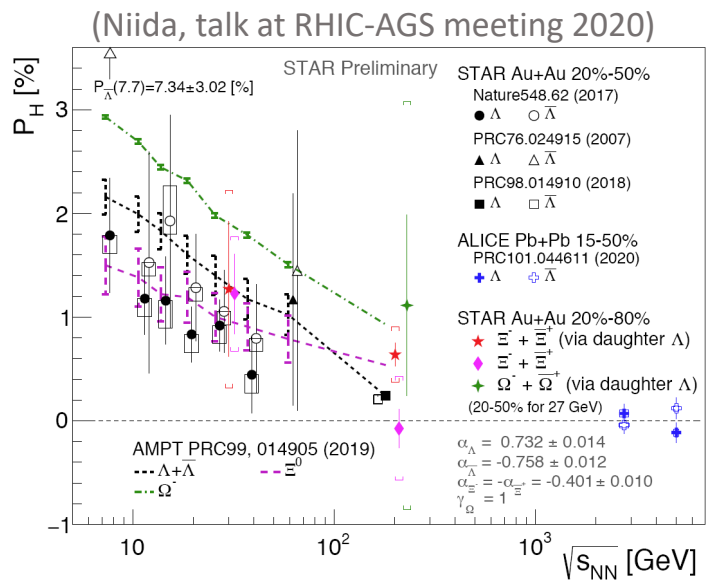
Need to study polarization at very low \sqrt{s} : NICA, FAIR, HIAF, BES II@RHIC?
Need an out-of-equilibrium theory to calculate.



Global Ξ and Ω spin polarization

- The global Ξ and Ω polarization are measured through their Λ decay

Experiment

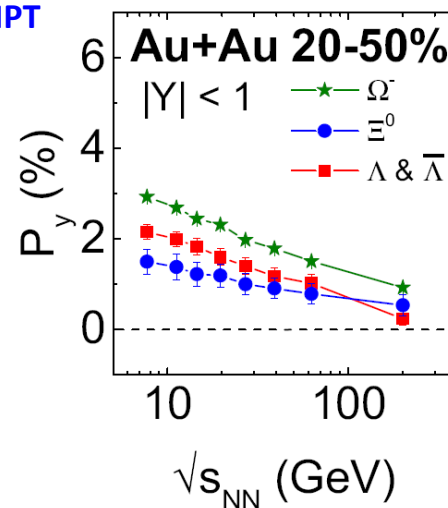


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Theory

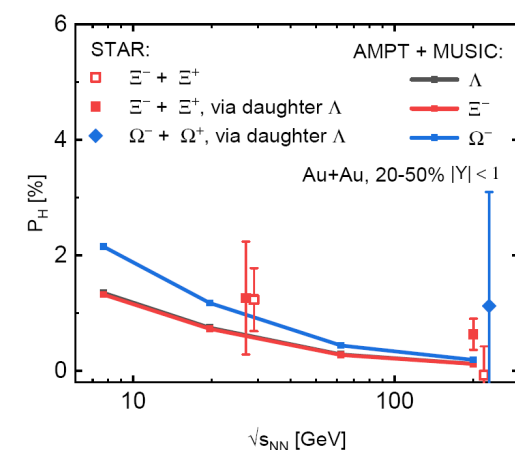
(Wei-Deng-XGH PRC99,014905(2019))

AMPT



(Fu-Xu-XGH-Song 2011.03740)

AMPT + Hydro



- Feed-down contribution to Ξ and Ω polarization

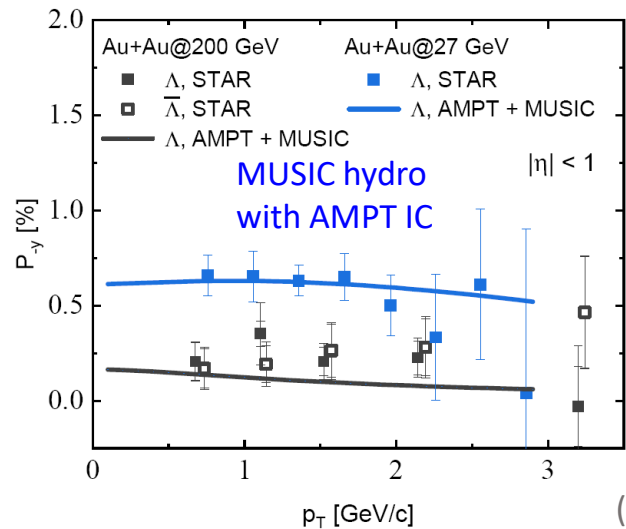
- For Ξ , main decay channel $\Xi(1530) \rightarrow \Xi + \pi$ contributes about 40% of Ξ yield and 30% of Ξ polarization
- For Ω , very small feed-down contribution

(Xia-Li-XGH-Huang PRC2019)

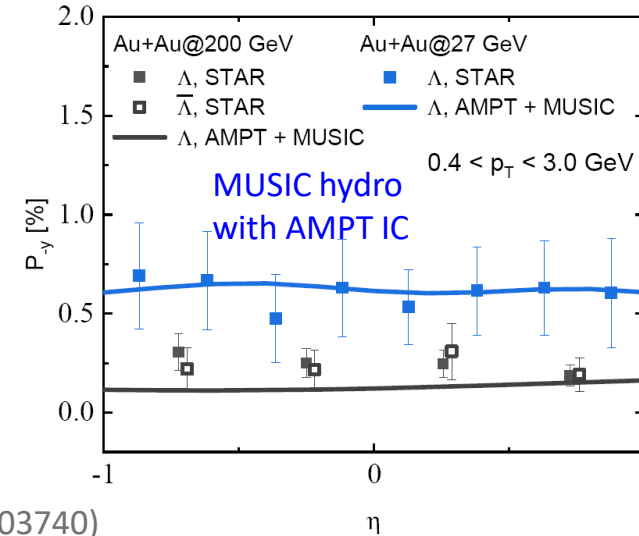
Vorticity interpretation of global to Ξ and Ω polarization works.

Differential Λ spin polarization

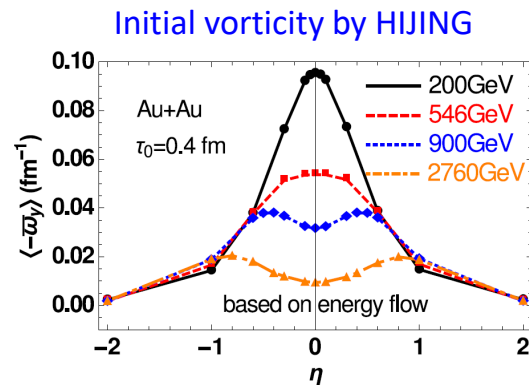
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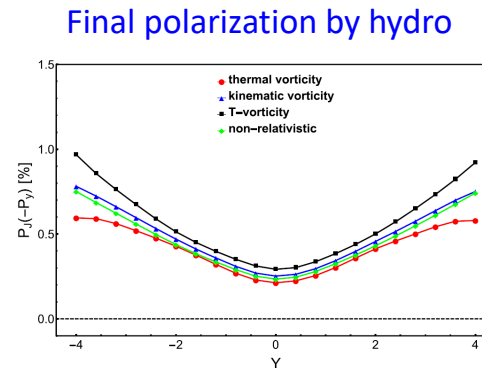
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Would be interesting to look at very large rapidity?

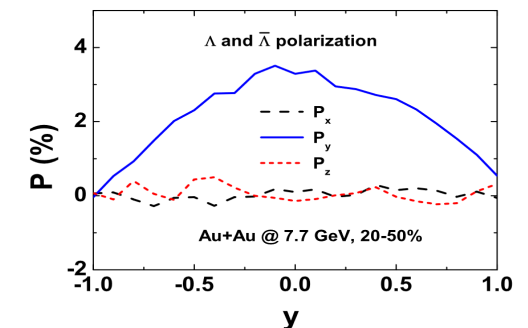


Deng-XGH PRC2016



Wu et al PRR2019

Final polarization by chiral kinetic theory



Sun-Ko PRC2017

Differential Λ spin polarization

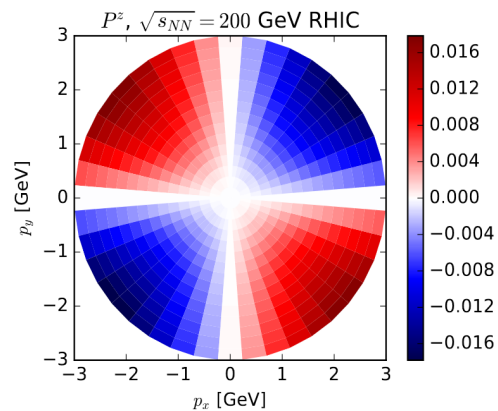
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- Spin harmonic flow: $\frac{dP_{y,z}}{d\phi} \propto P_{y,z} + 2f_{2y,z}\sin(2\phi) + 2g_{2y,z}\cos(2\phi) + \dots$

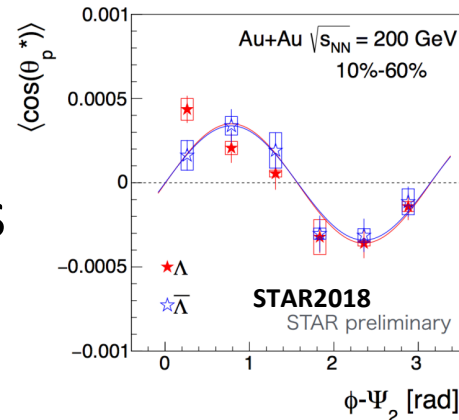
1) longitudinal polarization vs ϕ

2) Transverse polarization vs ϕ

(Becattini-Karpenko PRL2018)

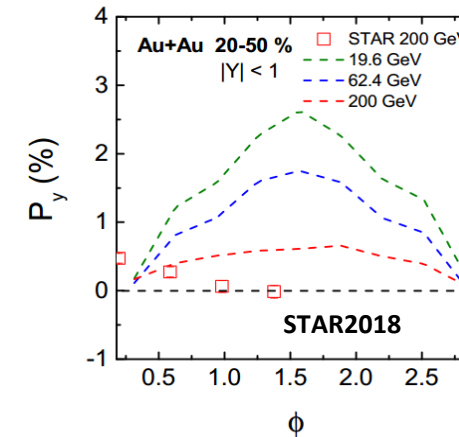


$$f_{2z}^{\text{ther}} < 0$$



$$f_{2z}^{\text{exp}} > 0$$

(Wei-Deng-XGH PRC(2019))



$$g_{2y}^{\text{ther}} < 0, g_{2y}^{\text{exp}} > 0$$

We have a spin “sign problem”!

Differential Λ spin polarization

Efforts to resolve the puzzles from theory side:

- Understand the vorticity (☺)
- Effect of feed-down decays (☺) (Xia-Li-XGH-Huang PRC2019, Becattini-Cao-Speranza EPJC2019)
(Measured Λ may from decays of heavier particles)
- Go beyond equilibrium treatment (spin as a dynamic d.o.f)
spin hydrodynamics (Florkowski-Friman-Jaiswal-Speranza PRC2017, Hattori etal PLB2019, ...)
spin kinetic theory (Gao-Liang 2019, Weickgenannt etal PRD2019, Hattori etal PRD2019, Wang etal PRD2019, Liu etal CPC2020, ...)
- Initial condition
(Initial polarization, initial flow,)
- Other possibilities
(chiral vortical effect (Liu-Sun-Ko 2019), mesonic mean-field (Csernai-Kapusta-Welle PRC2019), other spin chemical potential (Wu etal PRR2019, Florkowski etal2019), contribution from gluons,)
- Other observables for vorticity and spin polarization
Vector meson spin alignment (Liang-Wang 2005, STAR and ALICE 2019)
Vorticity dependent hadron yield (ExHIC-P Collaboration PRC2020)

Spin “sign problem”, though unsolved, inspires many theoretical developments about spin dynamics in and out of equilibrium!

Spin alignment of vector mesons

Global ϕ -spin alignment

- Vorticity can also polarize spin of vector mesons, e.g. ϕ
- Consider recombination $q + \bar{q} \rightarrow \phi$, the density matrix of q :

$$\rho^q = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + P_q & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - P_q \end{pmatrix}$$

- The density matrix of ϕ is obtained from $\rho^q \otimes \rho^{\bar{q}}$ in basis of $|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle, |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle, |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle,$ and $|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$

$$\rho^V = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{(1+P_q)(1+P_{\bar{q}})}{3+P_q P_{\bar{q}}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1-P_q P_{\bar{q}}}{3+P_q P_{\bar{q}}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{(1-P_q)(1-P_{\bar{q}})}{3+P_q P_{\bar{q}}} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Suppose $P_q = P_{\bar{q}}$,

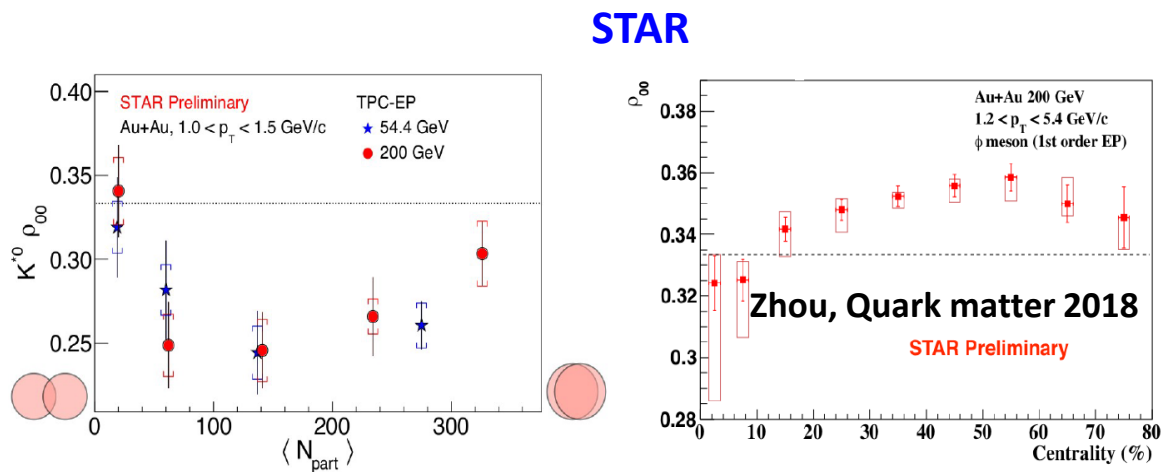
$$\rho_{00}^{\rho(\text{rec})} = \frac{1 - P_q^2}{3 + P_q^2}$$

Liang-Wang 2005

Because P is small, ρ_{00} should be slightly smaller than $1/3$!

Global ϕ -spin alignment

- Experimental results



Puzzle 1: for most centrality, ρ_{00} is far from $1/3$.

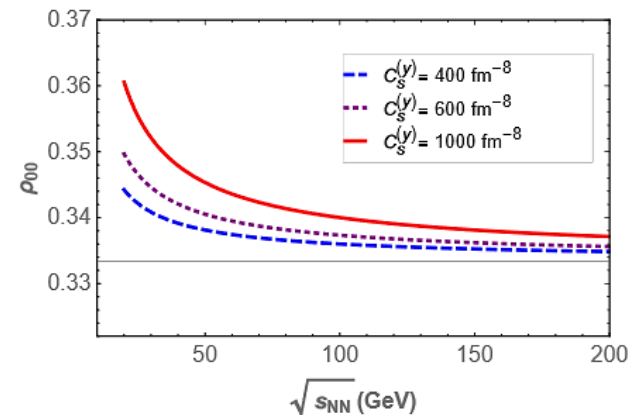
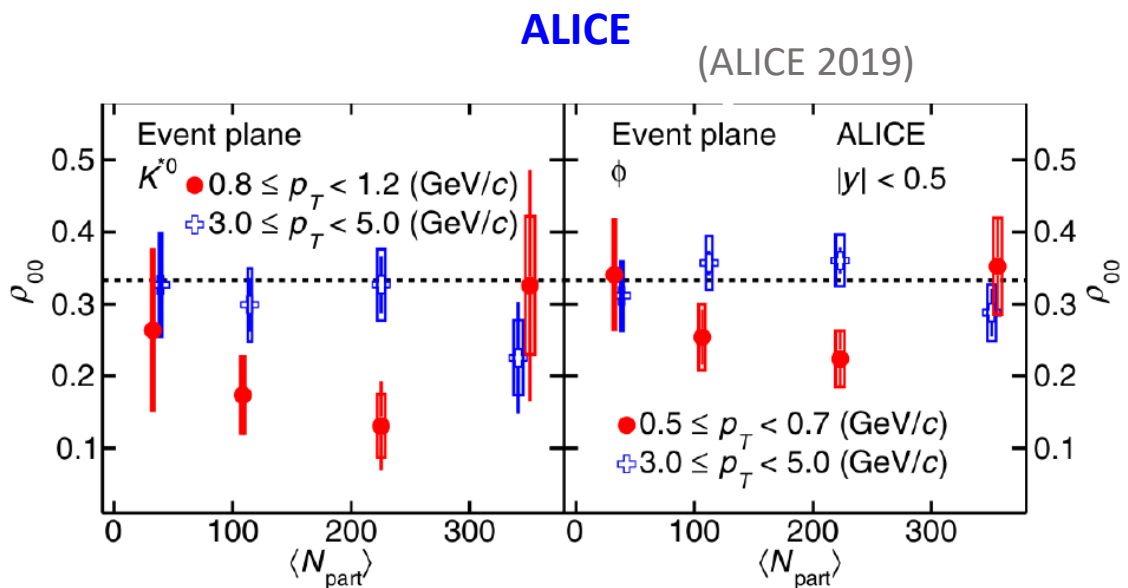
Magnetic field contribution?

Mesonic mean-field ?

Gluon contribution?

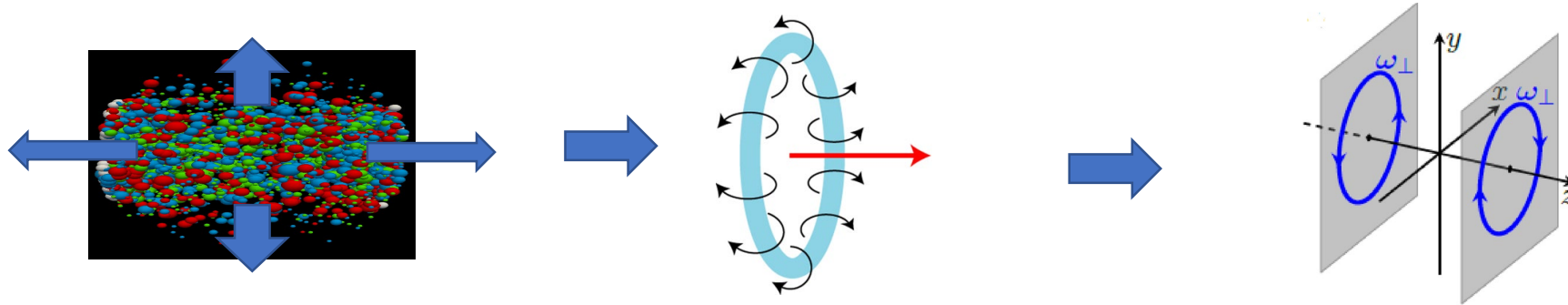
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Mesonic strangeness field (Sheng-Oliva-Wang 2019)

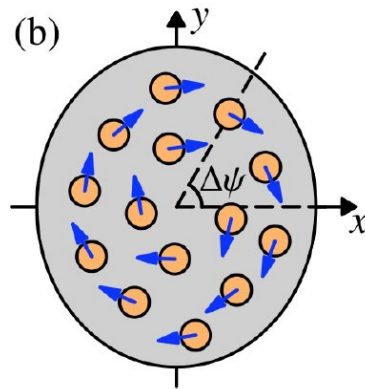
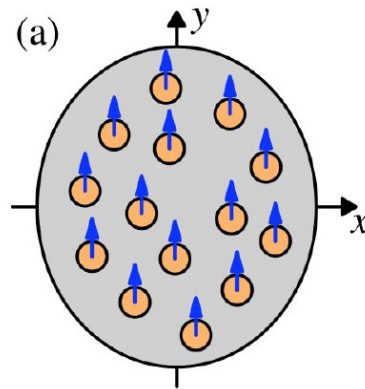


Puzzle 2: $\rho_{00} < \frac{1}{3}$ for central collisions.

Local ϕ -spin alignment



Global polarization



Local polarization

$$\rho_{00} = \frac{1 - P_y^2}{3 + P_y^2}$$

$$\rho_{00} = \frac{1 - P_y^2 + P_x^2 + P_z^2}{3 + P^2}$$

Local ϕ -spin alignment

- In central collisions, we can model quark polarization as

$$P_x^{q,\bar{q}}(\Delta\psi) = F_{\perp} \sin(\Delta\psi)$$

$$P_y^{q,\bar{q}}(\Delta\psi) = -F_{\perp} \cos(\Delta\psi)$$

$$P_z^{q,\bar{q}}(\Delta\psi) = 0$$

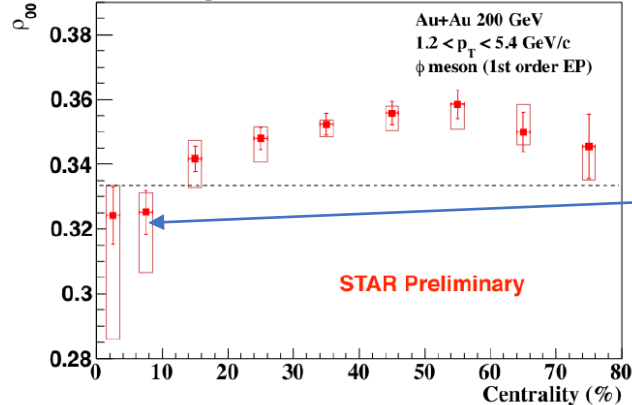


$$\rho_{00}(\Delta\psi) = \frac{1 - F_{\perp}^2 \cos(2\Delta\psi)}{3 + F_{\perp}^2}$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{3} - \frac{F_{\perp}^2}{9} - \frac{F_{\perp}^2}{3} \cos(2\Delta\psi)$$

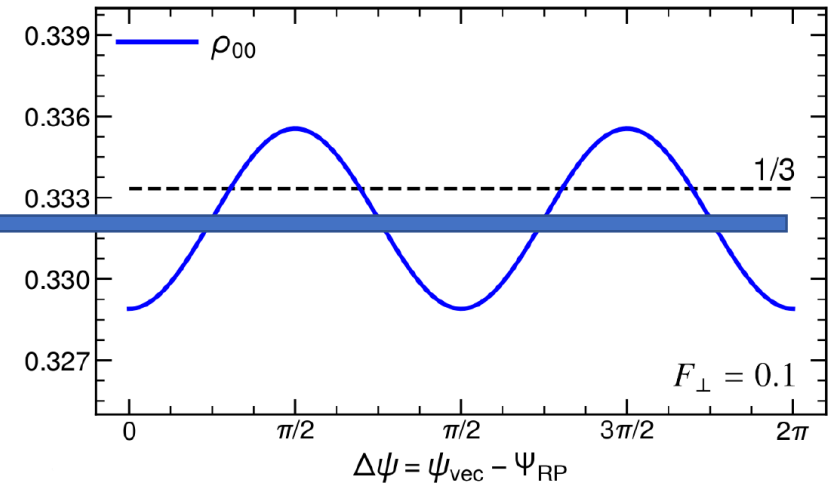


STAR ϕ



$$\langle \rho_{00} \rangle \approx \frac{1}{3} - \frac{F_{\perp}^2}{9}$$

Smaller than 1/3 !



Spin dependent hadron yields

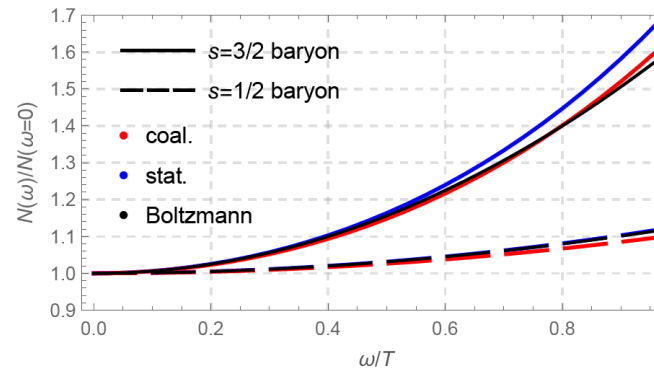
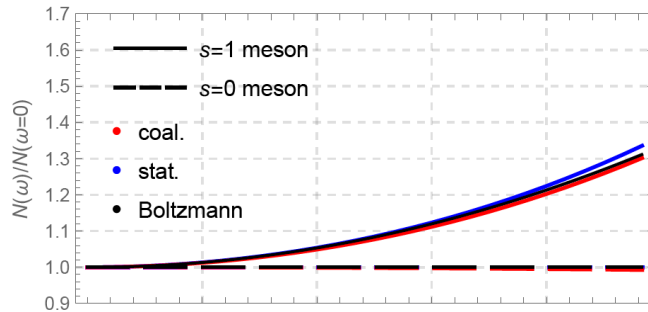
Vorticity is the “**spin chemical potential**” (ExHIC-P Collaboration 2002.10082)

$$E_h = \sqrt{m_h^2 + p^2} - \mu^{\text{ch}} \cdot Q_h - \omega^{\text{ch}} s_z$$



$$\frac{N^{\text{stat/coal}}(\omega)}{N^{\text{stat/coal}}(\omega = 0)} \sim 1 + \frac{s(1+s)}{6} \left(\frac{\omega}{T}\right)^2$$

Naively, it is the same order as ρ_{00} , could be cross-check of vector spin alignment



Observable: ratio of e.g. $\frac{N_\phi}{N_K}$ or $\frac{N_\Omega}{N_\Xi}$ as function of centrality and energy

Summary

- Very interesting physics of chirality, vorticity, magnetic fields, and spin polarization!
- We study the pre-hydro evolution of B field, see the Faraday retaining effect for B field. This result may be used as initial condition of hydro computation of B field.
- We train a CNN that can recognize the initial charge separation pattern (mimicking CME). The machine behaves robust against centrality, energy, and colliding systems.
- The global polarization of hyperons are well understood by global angular momentum through thermal vorticity. Local polarization is still a puzzle.
- Vector meson global spin alignment is too big to be understood via vorticity picture. But in central collisions, the local spin alignment could explain the smaller-than-1/3 spin alignment.

Thank you!

Chiral anomalies

- Quantumly, in external $U(1)$ gauge field and background geometry

$$\nabla_\mu J_A^\mu = -\frac{e^2}{8\pi^2} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{192\pi^2} R^\alpha_{\beta\mu\nu} \tilde{R}^{\beta\mu\nu} + \frac{\Lambda^2}{16\pi^2} (2\tilde{R}_{\mu\nu}{}^{\mu\nu} - T_\lambda{}^{\mu\nu} \tilde{T}^\lambda{}_{\mu\nu})$$

ABJ anomaly
Gravitational anomaly
Nieh-Yan anomaly

- Macroscopic **anomalous chiral transport** phenomena
 - Chiral magnetic effect (CME): **Axial imbalance + B field = vector current**
(Kharzeev 2004; Kharzeev-Fukushima-McLerran-Warringa 2007; ...)
 - Chiral separation effect (CSE): **vector imbalance + B field = axial current**
(Son-Zhitnitsky 2004; ...)
 - Chiral vortical effect (CVE): **Temperature + vorticity = vector/axial current**
(Erdmenger etal 2008; Banerjee etal 2008; Torabian-Yee 2009; ...)
 - Chiral torsional effect (CTE): **Temperature + torsion = vector/axial current**
(Khaidukov-Zubkov 2018; Imaki-Yamamoto 2019; Nissinen-Volovik 2019; ...)
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