Success and challenges of flow harmonic analysis in LHC heavy-ion physics

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Introduction

Understanding Heavy-ion collisions with the collective flow

Initial geometry fluctuations \rightarrow Transport $\delta_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \rightarrow$ final-state particles



Creating Quark Gluon Plasma(QGP) in a high energy collision $\frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}\phi} \propto \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{\langle \mathrm{e}^{in\phi} \rangle}_{V_n} \mathrm{e}^{-in\phi}, \qquad (1)$ where $V_n \equiv \langle \mathrm{e}^{in\phi} \rangle = v_n \mathrm{e}^{in\psi_n}$. (experiments, theory hydrodynamic models with $\eta/s, \zeta/s$)

 $N_{ch} \approx 1000$

• Collectivity as a probe to the properties of the medium – transport properties such as η/s , ζ/s

Success

Highest $v_2(n=2)$ and highest harmonic $v_n(n=9)$ are measured in LHC



Success

Perfect quark-gluon fluid, lowest η/s in nature($\approx 1/4\pi$)



• Lower bound of the η/s – D. T. Son *et al. Phys.Rev.Lett* **94** (2005) 111601

Success

How to constrain temperature dependence of the $\eta/s(T)$?

Temperature dependent $\eta/s(T)$ vs. v_n by H. Niemi, K.J. Eskola, R. Paatelainen, *Phys.Rev* **C93** 024907 (2016)



• v_n not sufficiently sensitive to temperature dependence.

challenge but success

Measuring inner correlations of QGP, two or three harmonic correlations



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Non-linear flow modes are measured!

Non-linear flow mode coefficients, JHEP05 085 (2020), PhD thesis work



Current understanding of the medium properties



- Only low order harmonic v_n used, limited set of observables and mostly with 2.76TeV data.
- Uncertainties need to be improved further.

Testing a single set of parameters requires $\mathcal{O}(10^4)$ hydro events, and evaluating eight different parameters five times each requires $5^8 \times 10^4 \approx 10^9$ hydro events. That's roughly 10^5 computer years!



Bayesian analysis with advanced observables

Used observables:

only with the high precision 5.02 TeV data

- Charged particle multiplicity $N_{\rm ch}$
- PID multiplicity (pion, Kaon and proton)
- PID $\langle p_{\rm T} \rangle$
- v_2 to v_7 (up to v_9 available)
- $\chi_{4,22}$, $\chi_{5,23}$ and $\chi_{6,m}$ (up to $\chi_{7,223}$ available)

Details on productions

- CSC project 2003154 at Mahti, thanks to much improved performance.
- \$\mathcal{O}(10^6)\$ hydro events per one parameter point, x
 100 than the previous studies.
- 900 h in 500 parameter points.



challenge

Results with additional observables, Preliminary results

• Better constraints for η/s .

- Strong correlation for higher order v_n and their non-linear response.
- Reduced temperature dependence

• What about ζ/s ?

- Lower ζ/s maximum than previously (~ 30%)
- Preliminary results, need to look various combinations and other parameters in detail.





Flow modes in Pb-Pb

Summary

Successes:

- QGP is nearly perfect fluid $\eta/s \approx 1/4\pi$ based on the measurements.
- Collective flow measurements have been improved significantly in LHC, highest flow magnitude, highest harmonic orders and non-linear flow mode. → provide better constraints for the transport properties.

Challenges:

- Inclusion of High order harmonics and their non-linear responses in Bayesian analysis improved the result, showing weak temperature dependence of η/s and smaller ζ/s .
- going beyond n > 9 is very challenging due to high sensitivity to small data imperfections \rightarrow needs further investigation for 2022- LHC runs.

Thank you!

summary

Backup

Non-linearity of the higher order flow and cross-harmonic decomposition



The magnitude of the non-linear contribution and non-linear flow mode coefficients:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_{4,22} &= \frac{\Re \langle V_4 (V_2^*)^2 \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle |V_2|^4 \rangle}} \\ &\approx \langle v_4 \cos(4\psi_4 - 4\psi_2) \rangle, \qquad (3) \\ \chi_{4,22} &= \frac{v_{4,22}}{\sqrt{\langle v_2^4 \rangle}}. \end{aligned}$$

Linear part is extracted from the total and non-linear contributions:

$$\underbrace{\langle |V_{4L}|^2 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}}}_{v_{4L}} = (\underbrace{\langle |V_4|^2 \rangle}_{v_4^2} - \underbrace{\chi^2_{4,22} \langle |V_2|^4 \rangle}_{v_{4,NL}^2})^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
 (4)

Backup

Toward measurement of ultra-high harmonics

 Need for high precision reconstruction and correction of the φ fine-modulations.





• Plausibility of ultra-high harmonic results. Reconstruction to $0.8 < p_T^{be} < 5.0 \text{ GeV}, \text{ input} = 0.00159252$ • n > 11 needs further investigation