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Flow and:



- Centrality/energy dependence, and ideal fluid - Constituent Quark Scaling, and deconfinement - Nonflow/fluctuations, and "ridge", initial geometry - azHBT, and proof of collective expansion - Velocity fields, vorticity, and polarization

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Exploring the secrets of the universe

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Coauthored with Art: 7 phenomenology, PAs: 2 NA49 and 9 STAR





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FIG. 2. The rapidity dependence of the directed  $(v_1)$  and elliptic  $(v_2)$  flow for the protons  $(0.6 < p_t < 2.0 \text{ GeV}/c)$  and pions  $(0.05 < p_t < 0.35 \text{ GeV}/c)$ . The points below midrapidity (y = 2.92) have been reflected from the measurements in the forward hemisphere. The curves are to guide the eye.

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## Flow "method paper"

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## Methods for analyzing anisotropic flow in relativistic nuclear collisions

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The strategy and techniques for analyzing anisotropic flow (directed, elliptic, etc.) in relativistic nuclear collisions are presented. The emphasis is on the use of the Fourier expansion of azimuthal distributions. We present formulas relevant for this approach, and in particular, show how the event multiplicity enters into the event plane resolution. We also discuss the role of nonflow correlations and a method for introducing flow into a simulation. [S0556-2813(98)04109-0]

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## **Flow proponent**

## Art: Flow proponent, advocate, supporter

Promoted and developed flow methods, codes, analyses, helped to test ALICE codes...

Was happy to see how flow draws attention at the conferences

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Results from data taken during the first three hours of RHIC operation



# First observation of elliptic flow at RHIC (STAR)





For the first time in Heavy-Ion Collisions the flow measurements are in quantitative agreement with hydrodynamic model predictions up to mid-central collisions Dense and (likely) thermalized matter

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## **Quarks flow - deconfinement**



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## $v_2$ and $v_4$

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Azimuthal anisotropy in Au+Au collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200 \text{ GeV}$ 



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Mass, quark-number, and  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$  dependence of the second and fourth flow harmonics in ultrarelativistic nucleus-nucleus collisions



## NCQ scaling in nonlinear flow modes

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Figure 10. The  $p_{\rm T}/n_q$ -dependence of  $v_{4,22}/n_q$  for different particle species grouped into different centrality intervals of Pb-Pb collisions at  $\sqrt{s_{\rm NN}} = 5.02$  TeV. Statistical and systematic uncertainties are shown as bars and boxes, respectively.

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FIG. 22. (Color online) Nonflow azimuthal correlations from Eq. (16), for the first,  $g_1$ , (bottom) and second,  $g_2$ , (top) Fourier harmonics, from 158A GeV (left) and 40A GeV (right) Pb+Pb collisions. For  $g_1$ , the solid points represent all nonflow effects, while the open points are corrected for momentum conservation. The horizontal lines are at the mean values.



open circles are from the q distribution method.





![](_page_22_Picture_6.jpeg)

## Radial expansion $\rightarrow$ nonflow

![](_page_23_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_23_Figure_5.jpeg)

#### arXiv:nucl-ex/0301014v1 24 Jan 2003

![](_page_23_Figure_9.jpeg)

'IG. 2: The width of the balance function for charged paricles,  $\langle \Delta \eta \rangle$ , as a function of normalized impact parameter  $b/b_{max}$ ). Error bars shown are statistical. The width of he balance function from HIJING events is shown as a band vhose height reflects the statistical uncertainty. Also shown re the widths from the shuffled pseudorapidity events.

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![](_page_24_Figure_0.jpeg)

FIG. 31. (Color online) The nonflow parameter,  $g_2$ , as a function of centrality. The solid points are from the cumulant method. The open circles are from the q distribution method.

III - the large values of transverse flow,  $\rho_t^2 > 0.25$ , would contradict "non-flow" estimates in elliptic flow measurements

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![](_page_24_Picture_9.jpeg)

## **Flow fluctuations**

![](_page_25_Figure_1.jpeg)

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The difference between v2[2] qnd v2[4} is almost fully saturated by eccentricity fluctuations according to nucleon participant Glauber MC.

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![](_page_26_Picture_13.jpeg)

# Flow fluctuations = nonflow (radial expansion)

![](_page_27_Figure_1.jpeg)

 $v_n$ {**RP**} - "hot spots" correlations = nonflow = part of flow fluctuations

# $v_n$ {PP} - flow vs "participant planes" - "hot spot" correlations

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![](_page_27_Picture_8.jpeg)

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Rotation of the coordinate system:

$$\left| \frac{y^2}{\sin^2 \phi} + \left\langle y^2 \right\rangle \cos^2 \phi - \left\langle xy \right\rangle \sin 2\phi \right|$$

Stationary source: no higher order anisotropy in the Gaussian approximation 4-th harmonic modulations appears only in  $\langle x^4 \rangle$ 3-rd harmonic modulations appears only in  $\langle x^6 \rangle$ 

Can the collective expansion lead to nontrivial  $R(\phi)$  dependence?

Yes, due to several effects:

- variation in the "blast wave" velocity
- variation in velocity gradients in "side" direction

Observation of the higher harmonics in azimuthat dependence of femtoscopic radii could originate only in the collective expansion of the source

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## ALICE, third harmonic HBT

ALICE Collaboration / Physics Letters B 785 (2018) 320–331

![](_page_29_Figure_2.jpeg)

3+1D Hydro ALICE

	$0.2 < k_{\rm T} < 0.3 ~{\rm GeV}/c$
	$0.3 < k_{\rm T} < 0.4 ~{\rm GeV}/c$
٠	$0.4 < k_{\rm T} < 0.5 ~{\rm GeV}/c$
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to the results from 3+1D hydrodynamical calculations. The observed radii oscillations unambiguously signal a collective expansion and anisotropy in the velocity fields. A comparison of the measured radii oscillations with the Blast-Wave model calculations indicate that the initial state triangularity is washed-out at freeze out.

![](_page_29_Figure_6.jpeg)

**Fig. 5.** Blast-Wave model [16] source parameters, final spatial  $(a_3)$  and transverse flow  $(\rho_3)$  anisotropies, for different centrality ranges, as obtained from the fit to AL-ICE radii oscillation parameters. The contours represent the one sigma uncertainty.

This results unambiguously indicate collective expansion of the source as no any other "evidence",

![](_page_29_Picture_12.jpeg)

# Anisotropi

![](_page_30_Figure_1.jpeg)

 $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \frac{1}{2} \nabla \times \mathbf{v}$ 

![](_page_30_Figure_3.jpeg)

![](_page_30_Picture_4.jpeg)

# **STAR** nd vorticity

![](_page_30_Figure_7.jpeg)

# Anisotropi

![](_page_31_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_31_Figure_2.jpeg)

- vorticity/velocity fields
- Narization seems to be stronger for particle emitted in plane
- The split between lambda and lambda-bar polarization is likely due magnetic fields of the order of
- polarization along the beam direction.

Very rich and extremely interesting physics! ... as well as very important for the interpretation of existing data (e.g. pethiptic flow)

![](_page_31_Figure_10.jpeg)

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![](_page_31_Figure_13.jpeg)

# $\langle P_z \sin[n(\phi_H - \Psi_n)] \rangle$

![](_page_32_Figure_1.jpeg)

GeV

Using average over Ru+Ru and Zr+Zr Assuming the same polarization for  $\Lambda$  and  $\Lambda$ 

![](_page_32_Figure_5.jpeg)

![](_page_32_Figure_6.jpeg)

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## Summary

## Art: physics, inspiration, and much more

![](_page_33_Picture_2.jpeg)

Flow, as a truly ideal fluid, has interpenetrated all parts of heavy ion physics, it brings new discoveries and contributes greatly to our understanding of strongly interacting matter.

We are grateful to Art, who made it works.

![](_page_33_Picture_10.jpeg)

# EXTRA SLIDES

![](_page_34_Picture_6.jpeg)

![](_page_35_Figure_0.jpeg)

 $N \cdot (v_n \{2\}^2 - v_n \{k\}^2) = g_n$ 

![](_page_35_Figure_2.jpeg)

the open points are corrected for momentum conservation. The horizontal lines are at the mean values. page 26

FIG. 22. (Color online) Graphs of  $v_n$  and  $v_4/v_2^2$ . The dashed lines are surface shell blastwave fits with no  $\rho_4$  or  $s_4$  terms (see Sec. VID) to the charged hadron  $v_2$  minimum bias data. The resultant ratio  $v_4/v_2^2$  is shown as the lower dashed line in the ratio graph (b). The solid lines are the fits with the addition of  $\rho_4$  and  $s_4$ . The resultant ratio  $v_4/v_2^2$  is shown as the solid curve in the ratio graph (b). The dotted line in the ratio graph (b) at 1.2 represents the average value of the data.

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![](_page_35_Picture_7.jpeg)

## **Q-vector products and multiparticle** correlations

 $u = e^{if}; Q = \sum u; Q_2 = \sum u^2$ 

$$\left\langle \mathsf{u}_{i} \mathsf{u}_{j}^{*} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{\mathsf{N} (\mathsf{N} - 1)} (\mathsf{Q} \mathsf{Q}^{*} - \mathsf{N}) \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle \mathsf{u}_{i} \mathsf{u}_{j} \mathsf{u}_{k}^{*2} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{\mathsf{N} (\mathsf{N} - 1)(\mathsf{N} - 2)} \left[ (\mathsf{Q}^{2} \mathsf{Q}_{2}^{*} - \mathsf{N}) - (\mathsf{Q}_{2} \mathsf{Q}_{2}^{*} - \mathsf{N}) - 2(\mathsf{Q} \mathsf{Q}^{*} - \mathsf{N}) \right] \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle u_{i} u_{j} u_{k}^{*} u_{l}^{*} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{\mathsf{N} (\mathsf{N} - 1)(\mathsf{N} - 2)(\mathsf{N} - 3)} \left[ \left( \mathsf{Q}^{2} \mathsf{Q}^{*2} - \mathsf{N} \right) - 2\mathsf{N} (\mathsf{N} - 1) - 4(\mathsf{N} - 2)(\mathsf{Q} \mathsf{Q}^{*} - \mathsf{N}) - 2(\mathsf{Q}^{2} \mathsf{Q}_{2}^{*} - \mathsf{N}) + (\mathsf{Q}_{2} \mathsf{Q}_{2}^{*} - \mathsf{N}) \right] \right\rangle$$

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![](_page_36_Picture_12.jpeg)

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![](_page_37_Figure_4.jpeg)

FIG. 6. (Color online) Elliptic flow obtained from the standard method as a function of rapidity (top) and transverse momentum (bottom) for charged pions (left) and protons (right) from 158A GeV Pb+Pb. Three centrality bins are shown. The open points in the top graphs have been reflected about midrapidity. Solid lines are polynomial fits (top) and blast wave model fits (bottom).

![](_page_37_Picture_9.jpeg)